

Honoring the Game

Honor the Game! The first time I heard these words I was playing lacrosse and was not completely sure what they meant. I thought it meant to win and do everything in your power to give yourself the best chance of winning the game. But over time and more knowledge of the matter, I now know that these three noble words not only refer to giving it your all, by playing with good sportsmanship and working hard to get results on the field, they also refer to how you live life off the field. I truly feel in my four years at Delaware Valley I have honored the game to the best of my ability both on and off the lacrosse field. I have played to the best of my ability and have worked extremely hard, and have displayed sportsmanship at the highest possible level.

On the field I have honored the game in many ways. I have worked hard to help my team by working with them, encouraging them, motivating them, and teaching them new ways of doing things. For instance I have given teammates few tips on improving their passing and catching as well as emphasizing the importance of teamwork and spirit. I have not been voted a captain of the team yet, but feel I have been a leader of the team for all four years. I believe that most of my teammates look up to me and respect me for always being there, on the field for the team.

Off the field honoring the game is my daily mantra. Currently I serve as Student Council Vice President. I have been an active member in the Delaware Valley Student Council all four years. I am also an active member of the Varsity Club and hold the Treasurers position. Throughout my high school career, I have also been a member in the Environmental Club, REBEL, Key Club, The GSA and Youth and Government. In each of these groups I have given my all to help these clubs accomplish many different goals. For example, recently in the Environmental Club we worked hard to develop a recycling process for all paper used in the school. Acting as a key member that worked with the school administration to get this recycling process up and running. In many of these clubs I have been voted frequently to serve as a leader for projects. My actions and leadership have gained me the respect of the students in the school. I feel I have earned this respect through hard work, integrity and the ability to act as a leader. All qualities of someone who honors the game.

In essence, to honor the game is to act in a respectful manner at all times, to work hard at all times, which in the end will yield respect and admiration of your peers. I feel that throughout my four years at Delaware Valley I have been that student who has honored the game in every aspect of the saying. I have done my part both on and off the field. In doing so, I have gained respect from most everyone at the school, by honoring the game.