MVP Featured Athlete





Lauren Deckert

Highlands High School

One of Northern Kentucky's best soccer players is defensive all-star Lauren Deckert, a Highlands High School senior.

A center back and holding midfielder, Lauren helped lead last season's Bluebirds to a 9th Region championship and a state runner-up finish. She anchored a defense that produced 19 shutouts on the season, including 10 in a row down the stretch. The Bluebirds allowed only 17 goals in 28 games. Despite being a defensive player, Lauren did score five goals and had six assists.

Among her honors, Lauren was Highlands' Defensive Player of the Year, 1st team all-NKY (Enquirer) and 1st team all-state. She is a 2018-2019 Allstate/MaxPreps' Soccer All-American and been named to this season's TopDrawerSoccer USA All-Mid-East Region team.

Her club soccer team is Ohio Elite Soccer Academy. She also has been a member of the U.S. Youth National Futsal team, and In 2017 and 2018, she competed in the World Futsal Championships in Orlando. Futsal is an indoor variant of soccer.

Lauren is an honor roll student who is active in community service. She will play soccer next season at the University of Louisville.

Her favorite athlete is Carlos Puyol (a Barcelona Defender), favorite entertainer is Lady GaGa, favorite book is The Lovely Bones, favorite movie is The Devil Wears Prada and most-like-to-meet is Brandi Chastain.



NAME: Lauren Deckert

GRADUATING YEAR: 2019

SCHOOL: Highlands High School

SPORT: Soccer

RESIDENCE: Fort Thomas, Ky.

BIRTHDATE: 3/8/02

PARENTS: Gerry & Beth

HEIGHT: 6′-170 lbs.

INFLUENCE: "All my coaches and

my parents."

FUTURE GOAL: "Increase mental toughness, prepare for college and life."

"Lauren's mixture of size and foot skills are something you rarely see. She is a hard worker who always holds high expectations for herself."

- Alex Dean, Soccer Coach