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Program's student athletes earn scholarships

Athletics & Beyond honors six participants, with four from East High School in Denver

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In only its second year the Athletics & Beyond student athlete program continues to cultivate young adults. Athletics & Beyond class of 2011 boasts six high school graduates who earned scholarships.

- · Chloe Bouhana, Broomfield High School/Metro State - Briar Cliff University (basketball)
- · Da'Onna Westbrook, Eaglecrest High School — University of Northern Colorado (track)
- Ezekiel Bishop, East High School Arizona State (football)
- Jacob Mann, East High School Hastings Nebraska (football)
- · Miles MacKenzie, East High School — Ohio Wesley University (football)
- River Thompson, East High School University of Colorado (football)

Members participate in life skills workshops, help organize a health & wellness

campaign under the leadership of Grace White, attend strength and conditioning training, speed & agility training, film review, chalk talk, 7 on 7 and earn volunteer hours at the Girls Empowerment Workshop and the youth football clinic.

Athletics & Beyond student athletes travel throughout the state and nation to showcase skills at various NCAA camps and combines. Six program members competed in the 2011 Colorado National Underclassmen football combine.

Three out of the six Athletics & Beyond student athletes brought home MVP awards for their positions and Jabari Holland earned "Combine MVP" just one year after River Thompson earned "Combine King."

All six have been invited to compete in the NUC regional ultimate 100 in Los Angeles in July. Taylor Juniel was invited and participated in the Southern Nazarene University football camp and caught the attention of the coaching staff with a possibility of a scholarship offer his junior season.

Shahid Hoover received his first football scholarship offer from the University of Connecticut and ran a 4.5 forty at the Oklahoma Sooners football camp.

After participating in a football camp the University of Northern Colorado and the University of Colorado, Isaiah Hendrix received an offer from UNC and caught the attention of CU coaches. Louie Aldridge caught the attention of Colorado State University at their football camp.

The most important accomplishments of the Athletics & Beyond student athlete program is only one student athlete needed to attend summer school to improve his academic standing out of 23 high school student athletes.

For more information, visit Athletics & Beyond at www.athleticsandbeyond.com or email coachnarcy@hotmail.com.

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Ezekiel Bishop, of East High School, holds up his certificate. Athletics & Beyond class of 2011 boasts six high school graduates who earned scholarships. Narcy Jackson, YourHub.com Contributor