

★ Michael Enz ★

Commits to play Men's Soccer for Bluefield College



The highly anticipated announcement was made public by Michael and his family during a signing ceremony that was attended by several guests at Williamsburg Christian Academy on 3 March, 2016. Perhaps not so coincidentally, this was also **Michael's 18th birthday** and the highly sought after 6'1" varsity forward celebrated among family and friends in classic style!

The **2016 signing class** for the Bluefield College Men's Soccer Program is truly an **elite group** of very talented national and international soccer players. Over the last several months, Bluefield's Head Men's Soccer Coach (Chase Neidig) has worked extremely hard to attract and recruit top talent for the Bluefield "Rams" Men's Soccer Program. As a "well-seasoned" coach with many national and international professional contacts, Coach Neidig has an "eye for talent" that one would be hard pressed to dispute.

(Quote from 23 January, 2016)

**"Several big commitments coming in for our 2016 signing class.
We will be deeper & stronger than ever before in our squad!"**

(See: <http://www.bcrams.com/coaches.aspx?rc=103&path=msoc> & <https://twitter.com/bluefieldsoccer>)

Bluefield College is a highly regarded liberal arts college that is located in southwest Virginia near the West Virginia border. It is in the top tier of Southern Colleges and Michael will pursue his bachelor's degree in wildlife conservation and environmental studies. Bluefield College is a charter member of the **Division II, Appalachian Athletic Conference** and competes in the **N.A.I.A.**

In his own right, Michael has clearly established himself as an exceptional athlete having been selected as an **"All Conference"** varsity soccer player for the **last 2 years**. Michael is also highly ranked in the **state's top 10 list for offense** among all high school varsity soccer players and his statistical record speaks for itself. During the 2015-16 season Michael averaged **1.2 goals per game** with a **"points per game"** average of **2.9**. Over the last two varsity seasons Michael played in **33 games**, has scored **30 goals**, contributed **11 assists** and has led his Team's offense with a total of **71 points**.

While Michael's accomplishments and statistics listed above are indeed noteworthy, **they do not begin to scratch the surface on what this young man means to his High School and Virginia Legacy Club Team when he steps on the field of play.** The natural ability and technical skill that Michael selflessly exhibits on the field provides in depth insight on the type of player that he truly is. One can only appreciate Michael's unselfish nature of play and dedication to his Team by watching him "play the game". His leadership attributes coupled with the quickness, accuracy and power that Michael routinely displays on the field leaves little doubt as to why opponent fans refer to him as the **"Cobra"**.

Michael's true dedication and contributions to his Team was perhaps best summed up during his **"Senior Night"** presentation immediately following his final regular season home game as a member of the Williamsburg Christian Academy "Eagles". **"Michael's athletic ability, consistent game performance and leadership he provides for his Team will be remembered by many for a very long time. He is, and has always been, a dedicated Team Player!"**

When Michael was recently asked to provide some insight on meaningful events over his last 14 years of playing soccer, he stated that there were many special times that came to mind. This being the case, Michael quickly went on to explain that **"It all began with Gloucester County Parks & Recreation"** at age 4. The positive guidance and lessons taught by Mr. Billy Moore, the Coaches, Volunteers and the entire Staff had left a lifelong impression on Michael at an early age. Michael further explained the **importance** and **value** of continued support for these programs. "They are so very important to our young people and our entire community because they positively emphasize Team Work, Sportsmanship, Self-Discipline, Leadership and they greatly enhance individual Self Esteem. I have a sincere appreciation for the Gloucester County Parks & Recreation Programs and all they have done for me".

You can visit: <http://teamb4self.com/> to view videos & learn more about Michael.

