

JAMES DEKRONE COMMITS TO WEST VIRGINIA

Nassau Community College's 2013 NJCAA National Champion James DeKrone has decided to continue his wrestling career at the University of West Virginia. After a stellar season wrestling for the Lions James decided this week that West Virginia was a "perfect fit to continue his education and wrestling career". James became the 11th National Champion at Nassau Community College and will join former Nassau wrestler John Pellegrino at the University of West Virginia.

West Virginia Coach Craig Turnbull and the rest of the WV staff were very excited that James decided to be a Mountaineer. After one season of college wrestling James showed that he can compete at the Division 1 level and succeed. James won the NJCAA title at 141lbs by beating Zack Loveless (NW Wyoming) 7-6. Two weeks prior James beat Josh Tardy from Harpers College, the eventual NJCAA 149lb National Champion at the NJCAA Invitational.

James is the seventh Nassau CC wrestler that that has moved to the Division 1 level in the past two years. He joins Johnny Pellegrino (West Virginia), Anthony Abidin (Nebraska), Mac Maldarelli (Lock Haven), Ryan Fox, Joe DeAngelo (North Carolina State), and Dan Sutherland (Clarion).