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2011 Softball Roster



Alicia Gardner

#1 Alicia Gardner

Position: Third Base

Height: 5-4

Class: Senior

Hometown: Athol

High School: Athol

Major: Business Management/ Marketing

Nickname: Chuckie

Westfield State Softball Goal: MASCAC Championship/ NCAA tournament

Most Memorable Softball Moment: Going 6 for 6 and hitting my first career homerun against Western Connecticut as a freshman

Most Admired Athlete: Dustin Pedroia

Life Ambition: Work for a professional sports team

Biggest Influence: My parents

Person I Would Most Like To Meet: Wes Welker

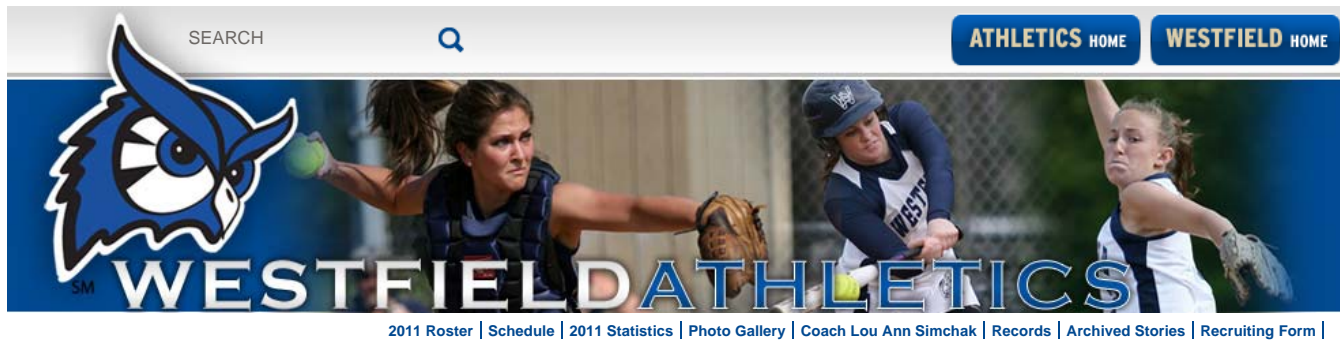
One Thing People Do Not Know About Me: I didn't get my ears pierced until I was 16

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Gardner, Dionne Earn High Marks

Selected To District Academic Softball, At-Large Teams



Alicia Gardner - photo by
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Westfield State junior Alicia Gardner (Athol) and junior Rachel Dionne (Feeding Hills/Agawam HS) have been selected to the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District I teams.

Gardner was a first-team selection on the Academic All-District I softball squad and is now one of eight finalists for Academic All-America honors. Dionne, a member of the Westfield cross country and lacrosse teams, was a District I at-large second-team selection.

Gardner and Dionne were chosen for the prestigious scholar-athlete honor by members of the college sports information directors of America (CoSIDA). District I includes Division II and III colleges in New England, New York and northeast Canada.

On the playing field, Gardner was chosen the MASCAC softball player of the year and a first-team All-New England selection at third base. She led the Owls and ranked fourth in the MASCAC in hitting with a .425 average. She led the conference with five triples and ranked second in stolen bases (17) and on base percentage (.496). Defensively, Gardner only committed three errors from her hot corner spot at third base.

In the classroom, Gardner owns a 3.96 grade point average and is a business/marketing major. Furthermore, she is a member of the Westfield field hockey team and led the Owls in scoring.

Dionne ranked third in the New England Women's Lacrosse Alliance (NEWLA) in scoring (51 goals, 29 assists, 80 points). Team-wise, the hustling defender was first in goals scored and caused turnovers (24) and second in ground balls (42).

Dionne was also selected the NEWLA scholar-athlete of the year with a 3.99 cumulative grade point average. She is a mathematics major.

Thus far this academic year Westfield has had three student-athletes earn Academic All-District I honors. Senior Stephanie Bartkus was a second-team selection on the college division District I volleyball squad.



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