

4 Greyhounds earn All – State Honors for 2017

A record 4 Greyhounds were named to All – State teams upon the conclusion of the 2017 season with players earning honors from both the Georgia Dugout Club and Georgia Athletic Coaches Association.



The Georgia Dugout club selects top performing seniors from around the state to compete in a round robin all star series. For the 3rd time in school history Pope had two players selected in seniors Hannah Rogers and Leah Higginbotham. As a 1st for the program, Coach Turco was selected as a coach of the Region 7 & 8 team and had the honor of coach Hannah and Leah for a final time in the all star game held on November 11 & 12 at Lagrange College.

Rogers was selected on the strength of a .455 batting average, .523 OBP and 26 stolen bases to go along with her stellar defense in the outfield. Higginbotham was selected after blasting 15 extra base hits including a program best 8 HRs in 2017.

Pope also was well represented on the GACA All State team in 2017 securing a program best 3 1st team All State players for the 2017 season with senior Hannah Rogers, sophomore Zoe Laneaux, and freshman Hallie Adams earning the honor.

Hannah Rogers secured her 3rd nomination to the GACA all star team in 2017 making Hannah only the second Greyhound ever to accomplish the feat 3 times with the other being Kelly Barnhill (2012-2014). Rogers was previously

named 2nd team for her efforts in assisting Pope to the state championship in 2014 and in 2016 Rogers was named 1st team for her integral role in Pope's final 4 season.

Sophomore Zoe Laneaux was bestowed the All State honor for the 1st time in her career finding her spot on the 1st team behind a team best .471 average, 23 extra base hits (14 2bs, 2 3bs, 7 HR), 37 RBI's, .538 OBP, and .853 Slugging %. Zoe is widely regarded as one of the most dangerous hitters in the AAAAAA classification throughout the whole state and is regarded as one of the top players in the country as evidenced by her top 50 ranking by Flo Softball.



Hallie Adams is the 1st freshman in Pope History to earn a place on the All State 1st team. Hallie impressed the coaches throughout the state with her poise in the circle and her spin applied to pitches which creates devastating movement for the pitch. Hallie amassed one of the greatest seasons in Pope history sporting a 17-3 record, 1.08 ERA, 141 K's in 110 innings pitched while only surrendering 22 total runs on the season.



See the GACA All State team here: gacacoaches.com/2017-all-state-softball/

See the GADC Senior All State here: <https://www.gadcsoftball.com/allstaterosters.html>