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## HCC Bowling to Sign Three Oregon High School Bowling Standouts

*Highland Cougar Bowling to sign AJ Nordman, Jacob Coleman, and Emily Corbin to National Letter of Intent*

**Freeport, IL May 11, 2016:** The Highland Bowling Programs are doing something they have never done before in the existence of their bowling programs. They are signing THREE graduating seniors from the same High School. Today, the Cougars from HCC, will sign top recruits from the NIBC and Big Northern Conference AJ Nordman, Jacob Coleman for the Men's Team and Emily Corbin for the Lady Cougars.

Jeff Johnson, the Director of Bowling for Highland Bowling has focused on particular talent for the incoming Freshman and is very excited about these three signings at Oregon High.

"This is a pretty big day for HCC and the Bowling Program at Highland as we add three talented bowlers who already understand the team-concept through the program at Oregon High," says Jeff Johnson who not only likes their abilities on the lanes, but also likes their potential to adapt to the collegiate bowling environment. "Oregon High School has turned out many good bowlers over the years and a lot of that is due to the coaching structure in place as they teach the right way. This year is a 'bumper crop' of talented seniors graduating at Oregon High that can compete at a very high level. To get all three of these seniors, we couldn't be happier to get them to Highland and compete for a National Championship."

Highland Men's Head Coach, Gail Myers, Jr., is equally excited about the opportunity to bring talented freshman to his team that will make the team better as a whole, while he strives to build a team that will compete for a national championship.

"Our momentum is strong and the talent that we keep attracting is unreal," said Myers, Jr. who like the ability to attract teammates to his talented team. "We preach teamwork on and off the lanes and that's what allows us to compete at a high-level against some of the top universities in the nation even though we are a small two-year community college. By bringing in the games of Nordman and Coleman who had a big high school career with big scores and probably could have went anywhere and competed

collegiately, immediately makes us better as a team. We are glad they chose our program at Highland and I can't wait to get on the lanes with this team."

Head Coach of the Lady Cougars, Todd Johnson, is equally proud to add Corbin to his 2016-2017 roster.

"Being a lefty, Emily brings a whole different set of skills to the team that we are building for next season," says Todd Johnson. "We already have two other lefties set for next year so our strategy will be slightly different on the lanes – which should be good to defend our conference championship of last year and compete for a National Championship in Buffalo in March. I am confident with her talent she will bring the skills to what we need at Highland."

The 2016-2017 bowling season begins in September 2016.

**The National Letter of Intent for AJ Nordman, Jacob Coleman, and Emily Corbin will be signed at 3:15pm on Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at Oregon High School in Oregon, IL. Please feel free to attend the event.**

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