

David R. Williams '96

David Williams is a member of the North Yarmouth Academy class of 1996. During his time at NYA, he participated in soccer, hockey, and lacrosse. A talented athlete, he never failed to show his versatility in his play. As a midfielder in soccer and lacrosse, and a defenseman in hockey, he made his presence as a two-way threat very well known.

As a soccer player, he was annually listed as a key player in the Portland Press Herald. His contributions were seen through the control he had over the midfield as well as his offensive statistics. In a 1995 article, he is described as a veteran leader for the Panthers' soccer team. Although he was talented in each sport, he always dedicated himself to the current season.



There was no surprise that when it came time for the ice hockey season, David received such honors as preseason all-state first team for defense. Just as he had in soccer, David was highlighted every year in hockey season previews. Despite a tough schedule (competing against strong teams such as Hebron Academy and St. Dominic), the NYA hockey team flourished during his time at NYA. Thriving in the most competitive environment, David consistently led his team to victory in the face of formidable opponents. As a defenseman, he was known for breaking up the other teams' scoring efforts; yet, on top of his defensive prowess, he was also a constant contributor to the NYA offense. His instincts and powerful shot allowed his team to come out on top. During his final season, NYA was ranked No. 2 in the state week after week in *The Sun Journal*. In addition to the state recognition, the team was also ranked 10 out of 10 in the New England Sports Network (NESN) poll for New England teams.



As a lacrosse player, he made use of his offensive and defensive abilities as a midfielder. Like the other sports, he was listed as a key player in season previews. He provided strong leadership for the lacrosse team and often found himself contributing 4 goal performances.

David graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 2001. He was selected for Naval Special Warfare, and following training was assigned to an East Coast SEAL Team. In 2008, after three trips overseas, he left the Navy and moved back to Maine. David is now a small business owner and part of a company that invests in other business ventures. He resides in North Yarmouth with his wife Rebecca and children Chris (8), Tucker (6), Eva (5) and another boy due in January. North Yarmouth Academy is proud to induct David R. Williams into the Edgar F. White '38 Athletic Hall of Fame.