

Ryan Ballinger Selected as Merced College Outstanding Student for the Month of February

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Ryan Ballinger has been selected as the February Outstanding Student of the Month at Merced College. Ballinger works extremely hard on the football field as well as the classroom, notes his coach and instructor Anthony Lewis. "He is a model athlete that coaches always try to promote" states Lewis.



Ballinger is from Mariposa and graduated eighth at Mariposa County High School. He manages to maintain a 3.9 GPA while taking a full load of classes and participating on the football team. Ryan's educational goals include graduating from a four year school with his Bachelor of Arts and pursuing his Master's degree. He is currently majoring in exercise science and taking most of his general education requirements while at Merced College. Upon transferring to a university he plans to focus on his major courses. His goal is to become a Physical Therapist and hopes to return to Mariposa one day.

Ballinger participates in Phi Theta Kappa, the Merced College honors society and enjoys spending his time with friends. Ryan was recognized at the February Board of Trustees Meeting with a certificate and parking permit for the month.