



**Parker Youth Sports, Inc.
Logan Bauman Memorial Fund**



“Spirit of the Game”

2014 Candidates

Cole Rairick, Mitch Sechrest and Hayden Swa

Each year at the end of the Arapahoe Youth League Football Season, a “Spirit of the Game” award is given to a player from a Parker Hawks CFC or AFC 10-year old age group football team. The head coach of each of these teams selects the player that matches the characteristics for which this award was created. Each nominee receives an award at half-time of the AYL 10-AFC Super Bowl game.



The 2014 winner of the “Spirit of the Game Award” **Hayden Swa** received a \$250 “Logan Bauman Memorial Fund Sponsorship”. These funds can be used to waive any portion of the Parker Hawks entry fee, and/or, supplement the cost of equipment purchased from any Parker Hawks authorized vendor/reseller.

Coach Matt Thorsen Nomination:

Hayden has been a gift to coach the last two seasons and in my many years of coaching has placed himself in the upper echelon of kids. From the beginning of last year to now has never once given less than 100% in practice or in games. When we first met him last year we had no idea who we had at any position. Hayden actually was a guard the first couple practices until an assistant coach mentioned we should try Hayden at quarterback. At that point, first year CFC team, anything kind of goes. However, it was the fit that has solidified our team into the playoffs this year as second seed. You would have never known that Hayden actually wanted to play QB because he was content on wherever the coach put him.

From the very first snap to today Hayden is always working on his craft...on his own at home as well as before and after practice. It's the kind of "outside of practice" work that is noticed the next time you see him touch the ball.

Of course there is a pretty good list of kids that deserve an award like this, but Hayden is just "that kid". Words are hard to describe and it doesn't matter that he is the quarterback, because he will give 100% every down leading the team through pain and tears at any position. He shakes the coaches' hands after every practice, is always smiling and would run through a wall if you asked him to.

My wife and I have known many kids, through ministry, that were very close friends with Logan and I don't take this nomination lightly. Hayden is one of a kind and will lead many to victory on and off the field throughout his life.