

PALY ATHLETIC AWARDS

2014-2015

COACH OF THE YEAR

Recognizing the figures that sacrifice themselves for the Vikings, this award goes out to the coach who made a significant contribution to the Palo Alto High School athletics team that he or she is involved in. Coaches are such a vital component in the athletic realm, not only for their teams, but for the Paly community as a whole. It is important to give one Paly coach the proper recognition for his or her hard work: a 'thank you' for their dedication and focus to better the team and individual players.

TEAMS OF THE YEAR

Paly's high caliber athletic program holsters some of the most competitive teams in the Bay Area. The Team of the Year Award recognizes one male and one female team for exhibiting their hard work, dedication and outstanding performance throughout their season. These two teams are the teams that have competed at the top level and that have had success doing so, bringing impressive results back to Palo Alto.

UNDERCLASSMEN OF THE YEAR

Given to one male and one female freshman or sophomore, the Underclassmen of the Year is presented to the players who have demonstrated athletic excellence in their sport(s) despite their young age. These athletes exhibit outstanding performances given their short time and lack of experience with Paly athletics, and are projected to dominate throughout the years to come.

ATHLETES OF THE YEAR

Granted to one male and one female athlete who stand out as the leading force behind his or her team's success, the Athletes of the Year Awards are given to the impact players who demonstrate undeniable skill and who shine on their respective teams. The athletes chosen are those who have proved to be the core of their team and are always reliable in clutch situations.

ALOK SUBBARAO

The Alok Subbarao Award is given to the player whose greatest impact on his or her team is not necessarily printed in the newspaper or visible at the top of every statistics category. *The Viking* grants this award to the player who carries his or her team with great leadership and acts as the glue that keeps the team working as one cohesive unit. The value of this athlete cannot necessarily be measured by points scored or shots made, but rather by the motivation he or she brings to the team.