



THE KING'S ACADEMY

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TKA Celebrates Athlete College Signing Day

SUNNYVALE, CA, April 10, 2019 — The King's Academy held a signing celebration on Wednesday, April 10, recognizing the following TKA athletes who signed college athletic offers:

James Bell signed a Division 1 college athletic offer to play **tennis** for the **University of Louisville, Kentucky**. James carries a four-star rating with tennisrecruiting.net and is ranked No. 128 nationally in the class of 2019. His career highlights include reaching the finals of the Willow Glen and Fremont Junior Championships and the consolation quarterfinals of the Northern California Sectional. He was also a qualifier for the USA Clay Court and Hardcourt (Kalamazoo) Supernationals and won two singles round in the National Level 2 tournament in Stockton, Calif., and the National Level 3 tournament in Sacramento, Calif. When asked what excites him most about his sport, James responded "I love the one-on-one aspect and the mental battle that tennis provides." His most memorable tennis moment thus far was "winning the 18s Northern California sectional title, and clinching the title for Northern California in the zone team championships." When not playing tennis, James enjoys being with friends and listening to music.

Kenzie Yamakoshi will be playing Division 1 **softball** at **Santa Clara University**. Kenzie has been playing softball for four years and plays second base. She received the MVP and Pride, Hustle and Desire awards for her sport. What excites her most about the softball is "the fast pace of the game and the thrill of making a defensive play." Describing her most memorable softball moment, Kenzie states, "It was a David v. Goliath moment. Our travel team played against the #1 team in the nation. College scouts packed the stadium expecting our team to be crushed, but we fought hard and won. This was a true testament to what God can do." Kenzie also swims, volunteers at her church and at a women's shelter, and writes for the Private School Satellite Program (PSP) newsletter.

The King's Academy, an independent, college preparatory school for grades 6-12 serving 950 students, is a Christ-centered school that inspires academic excellence, servant leadership, and enduring relationships. The King's Academy is accredited by both the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) and The Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). For more information about TKA, please visit www.tka.org.

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