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Patrick Mannelly Long Snapper Award Announced

Three of the leading experts in football long snapping have joined forces to create the Patrick Mannelly Long Snapper Award that will be presented annually to the best senior college long snapper. Chris Rubio of Rubio Long Snapping, Kevin Gold of Longsnap.com and the former NFL long snapper the award was named for, Patrick Mannelly, created the Award that will be presented for the first time on December 14, 2019 in Chicago, Illinois.

Long snappers are the ultimate anonymous and unsung heroes of football. No successful field goal, extra point or punt can happen without a successful snap to get it started. The Patrick Mannelly Long Snapper Award will shine a bright light on these unnoticed but essential components of football and provide rare recognition for the impactful role they play in today's game. This will be the one award and night that a long snapper will actually want the attention.

The Patrick Mannelly Long Snapper Award is determined by a committee that will include former NFL long snappers, punters and kickers, special team coaches, sportswriters and other experts.

The Award will be presented to the overall best long snapper at the Division I FBS level. The winner must be of senior standing, have started 75% of games in his senior year, snap on punts and placements, and demonstrate strong mentality, notable athleticism, as well as speed, accuracy and consistency in their snaps.

Additional information about the Award can be found at <https://patrickmannellyaward.com>, on Twitter @MannellyAward or Instagram @MannellyAward.

Key Dates:

Watchlist Announced: Thursday, August 1

Semi-Finalists Announced: Monday, November 18

Finalists Announced: Monday, November 25

Presentation Dinner: Saturday, December 14 (Chicago)

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