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Southern Utah captures 2003-04 Mid-Con Sportsmanship Award

ELMHURST, ILL. — For the first time in the history of the award, a Mid-Continent Conference institution has repeated as the Mid-Con Sportsmanship Award winner. Southern Utah University, which last season had become the first two-time winner of the honor, took away the award for a third time for the 2003-04 academic year. After four different schools won the award in the first four years of its existence, Southern Utah won its second Mid-Con Sportsmanship Award during the 2002-03 school year; the Thunderbird athletic department also took away the honors in 1999-2000.

The Mid-Con's Sportsmanship Award is given annually to the league institution that is judged by its peers to be the best in the conference in living up to the ideals of sportsmanship. Areas for evaluation include student-athlete conduct, staff/administrator conduct, coaches conduct and event management.

Past winners of the Mid-Con Sportsmanship Award include UMKC (1998-99), Southern Utah (1999-2000; 2002-03), IUPUI (2000-01) and Valparaiso (2001-02).