

Kempsville PONY Baseball

2007 Allen Jones Gettel Teammate Award Recipient *Zach Alexander from Kempsville High School*

Zach Alexander was selected as the recipient of the 2007 Allen Jones Gettel Teammate Award. At the Family Day picnic on June 16th, Zach Alexander was presented the 2007 Allen Jones Gettel Teammate Award. Kempsville PONY Baseball sponsors this award, which is presented to the player on the Kempsville High School baseball team who best exemplifies the spirit of being a good teammate. The award is named for a 1935 graduate of Kempsville High School who made his major league debut as a pitcher for the New York Yankees in 1945. Allen Gettel pitched for seven major league seasons and his teammates included Joe DiMaggio, Phil Rizzuto, Joe Gordon, Yogi Berra, Bob Feller, Willie Mays, and Stan Musial. After retiring from baseball in 1955, Mr. Gettel returned to Kempsville and remained active in teaching baseball in the community. He always emphasized the team over the individual -- a point that he said applied from the PONY League to the Big Leagues.

- [View a photo of Zach's award presentation on the KPB photo gallery.](#) Congratulations, Zach.