

## Mentor's Reflection by Mr. Brad Purcell, Liam's football coach

*Getting to know **Liam Wright** over the past three years as a student in class and coaching him on the football field, has allowed me the pleasure of witnessing his unprecedented growth. Using one word to describe Liam, it is undoubtedly:*

### **Caring**

*I believe that he is not only a valuable asset to Seccina Memorial High School and all that it embodies, but that he has also matured into a positive, productive leader. Liam is a role model through both word and action in the classroom, on the ball field, and in the community in direct reflection of the mission in action at Seccina.*

*Liam has been molded by a great family and community. He has embraced that molding and reflected it positively to those around him. He is the kind of young man parents take pride in, and one I want my children to emulate. I'm very proud of Liam for this and all of his accomplishments, but at the same time aren't the least bit surprised as he has worked for and earned all successes. The future is bright for this young man.*

## Senior's Reflection by Liam Wright

*I chose Coach Purcell as my mentor for many reasons. Most of you are expecting me to talk about how he made me a better football player, but I'm not. Coach Purcell changed me in many ways throughout my four years of high school, on and off the field. Coach Purcell pushed me beyond my limits and forced me to be a better version of myself. He truly showed me what a coach and student-athlete relationship should be like. He continuously made sure to check up on me, my grades, and my teammates. A countless number of times he made sure to tell my teammates and I that he loved us as his own sons. What better feeling is there to play and work for someone who truly cares about your success?*

*One of the main reasons why I have been successful is because of the attitude and mindset that Coach Purcell has instilled into me. Not many players have the chance to have a coach and a teacher similar to this. Lastly, Coach Purcell believed in me. He believed in me as a leader, a player, a student, and a man. Coach Purcell has taught me an abundant amount of lessons and has made me an overall better person since I've met him.*

*Best of luck to you at Maconaquah. Football won't be the same without you.*

*Thank you, Coach Purcell*