## **Alpharetta High School Men's Lacrosse**



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## Alpharetta High School Raiders Men's Varsity Lacrosse players visit with injured player Jack Enright at the Shepherd Center for Spinal & Brain Rehabilitation in Atlanta, GA.

On April 19, 2015, several members from the Alpharetta High School Raiders Men's Varsity Lacrosse program visited with injured lacrosse player, Jack Enright from Chapin High School in South Carolina. Jack suffered a severe spinal cord injury on March 4 - early in the spring 2015 lacrosse season - and is currently being treated at the Shepherd Center for Spinal & Brain Rehabilitation in Atlanta, GA.

Alpharetta High School Seniors and Varsity team members, Clay Batley (#9), Jimmy Podsiadlo (#10), and Cal Swanson (#22) presented Jack and his family with an assortment of AHS lacrosse gear, as well as various gift cards and a check for \$1,500 to help aid in the Enright family's medical and lodging expenses while Jack undergoes treatment in Atlanta. The proceeds were raised during various fundraising efforts once the Alpharetta High School Lacrosse team learned of Jack's injuries – including waiving gate and concessions fees in lieu of donations at select home lacrosse games for the Alpharetta Raiders.

Said Captain Clay Batley, "Jack's fighting spirit was amazing to see, especially after all he's been through. It is inspiring to see how optimistic Jack is about his recovery process as he works to get back out on the lacrosse field". "This is what the brotherhood of lacrosse is all about", noted Captain Cal Swanson. "We are happy to represent the lacrosse community in helping Jack any way we can". Fellow Varsity defenseman Jimmy Podsiadlo also commented, "Jack is a remarkable guy. His fight represent the spirit of lacrosse. He's an inspiration to all of us to work hard no matter the circumstances".

Founded in 1975 and located in Atlanta, Georgia, the Shepherd Center is a private, not-for-profit hospital specializing in medical treatment, research and rehabilitation for people with spinal cord and brain injury. Shepherd Center is ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* among the top 10 rehabilitation hospitals in the nation.

Located outside of Atlanta, GA, the Alpharetta High School Raiders Men's Lacrosse program is in its 10<sup>th</sup> season and strives to give back in order to help its student-athletes build character and become upstanding young men in the community.