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ST. FRANCIS DESALES HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT-ATHLETE MAKES  
U.S. DEAF SOCCER TEAM

COLUMBUS, OHIO: After tryouts in Pittsburgh and Atlanta, **St. Francis DeSales High School senior, Becca Dowling-Fitzpatrick**, is now a member of the United States Deaf Soccer Team, and has been selected to play in the World Deaf Soccer Football Championships which will take place July 16-28 in Ankara, Turkey. She will also play in an exhibition game in Crew Stadium on Saturday, April 28.

Becca was a member of the SFDHS 2011 Girls Soccer State Championship Team, and is involved in the school's Nellie's Club (raising funds and awareness for Pediatric Cancer), St. Vincent DePaul service club, Art Club (recently had a piece of art selected to show in the Regional Governor's Art Show), and runs Track this spring for the Stallions. She was also a founding member of the American Sign Language Club at the school.

To help fund the trip to Turkey, Becca has chosen a charity-sponsor, Christians Overcoming Cancer. Christians Overcoming Cancer is a 501C3 non-profit organization that provides emotional support and financial relief services to active treatment cancer patients ([christiansovercomingcancer.com](http://christiansovercomingcancer.com)). This charity is helping Becca raise money to go to Ankara, Turkey. All moneys received beyond her expenses are being donated to the cause, and she hopes to help bring awareness to their mission as well.

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