Decker named all-state in football

Dennis Decker of Ridley, one of the top passers in Pennsylvania high school football history, leads The Associated Press big school all-state football team for 1990, which was announced yesterday.

Players from Class AAAA and AAA were eligible for the team, which was selected in statewide voting by sportswriters and sportscasters.

Ridley, the state Class AAAA runner-up, was represented by Decker and top receiver Devon Preston on the first team.

Decker broke the state's 18-year-old single-season passing record by throwing for 2,738 yards, with 31 touchdowns and just six interceptions. Decker's most important statistic, according to Ridley coach Joe McNicholas, the AP's big school coach of the year, was his 22-2 record as a starter over the last two years.

Preston had 69 receptions for 1,197 yards and 14 touchdowns this season. Other players from Southeastern Pennsylvania on the first team are linemen Keith Conlin of La Salle, Ray Kane of Archbishop Carroll, Mark Zataveski of Bishop McDevitt, Chris Kennedy of Downingtown and Jason Owens of Council Rock; linebacker Shannon Stevens of Glen Mills, and defensive backs Shawn Wooden of Abington and Tony Miller of Coatesville.

AP all-star team

Pos. Name, School Ht Wt Yr TE Chad Skrocki, Perry -6-6 210 Sr OL Mark Zataveski, B. McDevitt 6-7 285 Sr. OL John Bowman, Berwick 6-4 250 Sr OL Dennis Martin, Perry 6-315 245 Sr OL Chris Kennedy, Downingtown 6-5 280 Sr. OL Harvey Pennypacker, Boyertown6-5 225 Jr. WR Devon Preston, Ridley 6-0 160 Sr 5-9 165 Sr WR Marty Force, Berwick QB Dennis Decker, Ridley 6-3 195 Sr RB Tim Colicchio, Erie Prep 5-11 205 Sr **RB** Mike Archie, Sharon 5-10 195 Sr RB Erik Marsh, Beth, Cath, 5-11 190 Sr **RB** Curtis Martin, Allderdice 6-0 185 Sr SPC Scott Milanovich, Butler 6-4 205 Sr FIRST-TEAM DEFENSE DL Jason Augustino, N. Allegheny6-6 240 Sr DL Keith Conlin, La Salle 6-8 265 Sr DL Jason Owens, Council Rock 6-3 250 Sr DL Ray Kane, Arch. Carroll 6-4 240 Sr 6-14 245 Sr DL Tyler Young, Beth, Liberty LB Greg DeLong, Parkland 6-5 220 Sr LB Justin Goheen, N. Allegheny 6-3 220 Sr LB Tom Tumulty, Penn Hills 6-4 230 Sr 6-2 195 Sr LB Jake Slemmer, Wilson LB Shannon Stevens, Glen Mills 6-2 240 Sr DB Shawn Wooden, Abington 6-1 170 Sr DB Tony Miller, Coatesville 5-10 175 Sr DB Brian Miller, Ringgold 5-10 180 Sr DB Craedel Kimbrough, Hopewell6-1 170 Sr SPC Jeff Sauve, Cumberland V. 6-2 185 Sr SECOND-TEAM OFFENSE Tight end: John Taylor, Bishop McDevitt 6-0 180, Sr. Linemen: Garret Jackson, Penn Charter, 6-2, 285, Sr.; Jason Mills, Wilkes-Barre Coughlin, 6-7, 290, Sr.; Jeff Craig, Connellsville, 6-6, 275, Jr.; Brian Bienkowski, Sun Valley, 6-270. Sr.: Jay Bower, Central Bucks West, 6-4, 255, Sr. Wide receivers: Dietrich Jells, Erie Tech, 6-0, 180, Sr.; Matt Soncini, Central Bucks West, 5-8, 140, Sr. Quarterback: Jeremy Livingston, Central York, 6-1, 175, Sr. Running backs: Steve Anderson, Downingtown, 5-11, 185. Jr.: Joe O'Donnell, Wilkes-Barre Coughlin, 5-11, 185, Jr.; Tom Reid, Beaver, 6-0, 185, Sr.; Marvin Harrison, Phila, Roman Catholic, 6-1, 175, Sr. Specialist: Paul Failla, North Allegheny, 6-312, 185, Sr. SECOND-TEAM DEFENSE

Linemen: Mike Halapin, Kiski Area, 6-4, 220, Sr.; Brian Devine, Archbishop Ryan, 5-7, 190, Sr.; Joey Allen, Porttstown, 6-1, 205, Jr.; Joe Peluso, Montoursville, 6-1, 225, Sr.; Linebackers: Justin Morabito, Bethlehem Catholic, 6-1, 220, Jr.; Ray Zellars, Oliver, 6-0, 205, Sr.; Bob Shull, St. James, 6-2, 195, Sr.; Gary Anascavage, Shamokin, 6-1, 210, Jr.; Doug Seidenstricker. South Western, 6-2, 190, Sr. Defensive backs: Carlos Brown, Connelisville, 6-1, 170, Sr.; Kirk Stehman, Shamokin, 5-8, 175, J. Lance Cash, McKeesport, 6-1, 185, Sr.; Specialist: Steve Taneyhill, Altoona, 6-4, 200, Jr.

THIRD-TEAM OFFENSE

Tight end: Andy Gruber, Muhlenberg, 6-2, 185. Sr. Linemen: Joel Minik, Upper St. Clair, 5-11 200, Sr.; Dave Seyboldt, Erie Prep. 6-2, 210. Sr.: Jeff Taylor, Seton-La Salle, 6-4, 250, Sr. Gene Stickley, Monsignor Bonner, 6-1, 245, Sr. Sean Bates, William Tennent, 6-7, 245, Sr Wide receivers: B.J. Fry. Exeter, 6-0, 170, Sr.: Buck Eardley, Altoona, 6-0, 160, Sr. Quarterback: Ron Powlus, Berwick, 6-3, 195, Soph :: Cornelius White, Neshaminy, 6-0, 175, Sr. Running backs: Chuck Robinson, Springfield (Delco), 5-8, 150, Sr.: Dave Dykie, Boyertown, 5-11, 170, Sr.; Troy "Boog" Myers, Souderton, 5-11, 180, Sr.; Donny Duffy, West Scranton, 5-10, 170, Sr. Specialist: Jim Nicholson, Ridley, 5-11, 155, Sr

THIRD-TEAM DEFENSE

Linemen: Ryan Anderson, Berwick, 6-4, 210, Sr.; Mike McGavran, Cumberland Valley, 6-2, 245, Sr.; Shannon Trostle, Gettysburg, 6-3, 245, Sr.; Linebackers: Gene McAleer, Archbishop Ryan, 6-1, 220, Soph.; Ed Souders, Coatesville, 5-10, 185, Sr.; Jarmell Fleming, Steelton-Highspire, 6-3, 195, Sr.; Ramon Walden, Perry, 6-0, 210, Sr. Defensive backs: Lew Lawhorn, Kiski Area, 5-10, 145, Sr.; Mike Cawley, Mount Lebanon, 6-1, 90, Sr.; Rick Hite, Washington (Phila), 6-2, 170, Sr.; John Mobley, Chichester, 6-3, 195, Sr.; Marc Baxter, Mastbaum, 6-1, 185, Sr. Specialist: Matt Neiss, Seton La Salle, 6-1, 185, Sr.