Grays Harbor College Places High in National College Football Rankings

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Aberdeen, WA - Among the excitement and debate that comes with preseason rankings for college football, Grays Harbor College can celebrate a national ranking of their own, Charlie Choker has placed number 9 in a nationwide search for the Cheesiest College Mascots.With clipboard, stopwatch and a bag of Cheetos snacks in hand, Chester Cheetah, today announced his official rankings of the Top 25 Cheesiest College Mascots.The Grays Harbor College mascot representing the choker-setter, took number nine in the rankings, which were based on "cheese factor" and all-around silliness.Topping the inaugural ranking was the Fighting Pickle, the official mascot of the University of North Carolina School of the Arts. Locally, Charlie placed higher than Speedy Q, the Geoduck from Evergreen State College.Also making the cut were Kernel Cobb, Gladys the Fighting Squirrel, The Blue Hose, and Otto The Orange.

Chester Cheetah's official Top-25 Cheesiest Mascots include:

RankMascot Team Location

1The Fighting Pickle University of North Carolina School of the ArtsWinston-Salem, NC
2Kernel CobbConcordia CollegeMoorhead, MN
3Gladys, the Fighting SquirrelMary Baldwin CollegeStaunton, VA
4YoUDee, Fightin' Blue HenUniversity of DelawareNewark, DE
5The Blue Hose
Presbyterian CollegeClinton, SC
6The BishopOhio Wesleyan UniversityDelaware, OH
7Otto, the OrangeSyracuse UniversitySyracuse, NY
8Scotty, the Scottish TerrierCarnegie Mellon UniversityPittsburgh, PA
9Charlie ChokerGrays Harbor CollegeAberdeen, WA
10Big RedWestern Kentucky UniversityBowling Green, KY
11The Boll WeevilUniversity of Arkansas- MonticelloMonticello, AR
12Wally, the WabashWabash CollegeCrawfordsville, IN
13Johnny Poet   Whittier CollegeWhittier, CA
14Speedy Q, the GeoduckThe Evergreen State CollegeOlympia, WA
15Ramses, the RamUniversity of North CarolinaChapel Hill, NC
16The AnchormanRhode Island CollegeProvidence, RI
17Centenary CycloneCentenary CollegeHackettstown, NJ
18SuperFrogTCUFort Worth, TX
19The TrollTrinity Christian CollegePalos Heights, IL
20Morty, the EutecticSt. Louis College of PharmacySt. Louis, MO
21Tim, the BeaverMITCambridge, MA
22Willie, the WavePepperdine UniversityMalibu, CA
23T-BonePace UniversityPleasantville, NY
24HokieBirdVirginia TechBlacksburg, VA
25The MocsChattanoogaChattanooga, TN Throughout the rankings, it comes clear that institutions of higher learning in the east dominate with regard to cheesy mascots, claiming 15 of the top-25 spots.

Vegetables and fruits establish a powerful presence on the list with three top-10 rankings, proving once and for all that produce are players. Not surprising, animals claimed multiple spots, however, what becomes particularly intriguing is that all mascots representing the animal kingdom are unexpected warriors, ranging from the squirrels (Mary Baldwin College) to hens (University of Delaware) to burrowing clams (The Evergreen State College). Finally, special accolades go to four mascots, representing colleges without collegiate football programs (Centenary College, Mary Baldwin College, Trinity Christian College and University of North Carolina School of the Arts).Even cheesier than this list of mascots, Cheetos snacks offer a way for families and friends to add a playful twist to their daily routine. The popular snacks are available in 17 varieties and 12 different flavors, including its newest addition -- Cheetos Crunchy Salsa con Queso Cheese flavored snacks which hit store shelves earlier this year and are available in a 9.25-oz. package for a suggested retail price of $3.49.**About Cheetos**

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