



ANNOUNCEMENT: May 12, 2026

Natalie Johnson commits to Maine Maritime Academy (MMA)



FSCI proudly announces that Natalie Johnson will play for Maine Maritime Academy's women's soccer program in 2026. Maine Maritime Academy is an NCAA Division 3 school located in Castine, ME.

Natalie has been a member of the FSCI Select program since 2025. Natalie is a goalkeeper that plays in our girls 2008 age group. In the summer of 2025, she earned 1st place in Keeper's War Ink East Coast competition and then continued onto National's in Florida placing 4th in the Nation for the 2008s.

Natalie attends King George High School and Chesapeake Bay Governor's School. Her high school GPA is 4.25 and has consistently made honor roll. She will be graduating with an advanced diploma and a few credits shy of an associate's degree. As a result of excelling in the classroom, Natalie is receiving \$75,000 (over 4 years) in academic scholarships. Natalie states the following:

"I had played basketball since I was age 4 and started playing soccer in middle school. I started out as a field player and was asked to be a goalkeeper and immediately fell in love with it. I played parks and rec, and with another club for a few years, before coming to FSCI Phoenix. This was my first year with FSCI, and I'm so thankful I had the opportunity to be part of such an amazing club. Everyone was extremely welcoming from the beginning, and the club made me truly enjoy my season with Phoenix. Winning the women's division championship for the first time in program history made the season even more special, and I'm proud I was able to contribute to that accomplishment. This experience helped me grow both as a goalkeeper and a person, and I'll always be grateful for my coaches, teammates, and family who supported me along the way. I also want to thank my family for always supporting me. I will miss being a member of FSCI Travel Soccer, but I will carry what I have learned into my future soccer career. I am so excited to join the soccer team at Maine Maritime Academy, where I will be dual majoring in Marine Biology and Small Vessel Operations. Go Mariners!"

- FSCI Technical Director Dean Flexton states: "Natalie was a fantastic addition to the 2008 Girls Select team. The team already had great potential but Natalie joining strengthened the squad even more so and helped the team go on to be VCSL league champions for 2025/26. It was a great season and Natalie played a pivotal role in that success. I wish her all the very best and hope she has a wonderful college soccer career at Maine Maritime Academy"
- Josh Smith, FSCI Director of Coaching, Girls Program states: "Natalie had an incredible season with the 2008 Girls team, elevated the team even further, and played a major role in helping us capture the 2025/26 VCSL League Championship. Her impact on and off the field was invaluable, and it was a privilege to coach her throughout such a memorable season."
- Congratulations to Natalie on her commitment to Maine Maritime Academy! We are extremely proud of all she has accomplished and have no doubt she will continue to thrive both academically and athletically at the collegiate level. We wish her nothing but success as she begins this exciting new chapter in her soccer journey."

- James and Sally, Natalie’s parents, state the following: “Natalie has always had a deep love for sports, but her passion for being a goalkeeper stands above the rest. She gives everything she has every time she steps onto the field, leading with heart, determination, and grit. We couldn’t be more proud of the incredible goalkeeper — and even more importantly, the amazing person — she has become. We’re so excited to watch her continue chasing her dreams and take her talent to the college level!”

About FSCI

FSCI is a youth soccer club based in Fredericksburg VA. Founded in 2009, the club offers a travel (select & futures) program, recreation program, training programs, and a college recruitment program that assists interested players.

Media Point of Contact

FSCI Executive Director

phoenix@fredericksburgsoccer.org

FSCI Contact Information

PO Box 2668

Spotsylvania VA 22553

540-419-0964

www.fredericksburgsoccer.org