

# M E D I A A L E R T

## US OLYMPIC FENCING TEAM MEMBER, RACE IMBODEN, SHOWCASES SKILLS FOR YOUNG STUDENTS AT THE DWIGHT SCHOOL

*Currently 6<sup>th</sup> in the World Senior Rankings for Men's Foil,  
the 19-year-old NYC Resident and 2011 Dwight School Graduate  
Returns to His Alma Mater for a Special Pre-London 2012 Visit*



**WHY** This past weekend, Race Imboden was officially named to the US Olympic Fencing Team by the US Fencing Association. After the fourth World Cup event, he mathematically qualified for the Olympics in Men's Foil based on his high team rankings. Mr. Imboden is currently #6 in the FIE (Fédération Internationale d'Escrime) World Senior Rankings, #2 in the USA Fencing Division I (Senior), and #2 in the USA Fencing Under 19 Division (Junior).

The Dwight School is dedicated to creating world leaders through academic excellence. Dwight offers scholar-athletes like Mr. Imboden the ability to pursue their passion of competing at high levels while still meeting the rigorous demands of the School's International Baccalaureate curriculum. Mr. Imboden selected Dwight because of its focus on personalized learning, which is one of the School's three pillars, along with global vision and community service. After graduating from Dwight, Mr. Imboden took a gap year to fence full-time; and this fall, he will attend Notre Dame. Mr. Imboden is returning to Dwight to share his passion with younger students who may be inspired to become fencers themselves.

Mr. Imboden took up fencing at nine after a childhood fascination with swordplay. By 16, he had qualified for his first major international team, earning a bronze medal at the 2010 Cadet World Championships. Earlier this month, he was a member of the US Junior World Team that made history by winning gold for the third year in a row. In January at age 18, he was one of the youngest competitors to medal in Senior World Cup competition, was named to his first senior US team, and rose to the sixth best in the world — all within a matter of months.

**WHERE** The Dwight School  
18 West 89<sup>th</sup> Street/ Central Park West  
New York City

**WHEN** Friday, April 20, 2012  
9:30 – 10 am  
**\*\*Media check-in is at 9:15 am\*\*      Advance notice is desired**

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