

SOUTH DAKOTA BOYS' BASKETBALL

Alcester-Hudson

COACH: Steve Hale (3rd year)
ASSISTANT: Scott Johnson
VITALS: Class B, District 8, Region 4B

LAST YEAR: The Cubs struggled last year with a 5-15 record. They lost four starters and four letterwinners.
RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Ty Schoellerman (Sr., 6-0, G), Tyler Kjos (Sr., 6-2, G), Tyler Fuchs-Venard (Sr., 6-2, G), Alec Rus (Sr., 6-3, C), Lyle LaFramboise (Fr., 6-1, F)

Andes Central

COACH: Tom Cooney (6th year)
ASSISTANT: Jay Burtling
VITALS: Class B, District 12, Region 6B

LAST YEAR: The Eagles lost three starters and letterwinners from last year's 6-16 season.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Connor Florey (Sr., 6-1, F), Neulan Dion (So., 6-0, G)

TOP PROSPECTS: Gabe Courmoyer (Jr., 5-10, G), Zach Courmoyer (So., 5-10, G), Chris Dvorak (So., 6-0, F), Joe Evans (So., 6-1, F), Darrin Hopkins (So., 6-3, C), Terrell Hopkins (So., 6-1, F), Aaron Swanson (So., 6-4, C) Brian Brugvier (So., 6-0, G)

Avon

COACH: Brad Poppe (23rd year)
ASSISTANT: Jeff Wepking
VITALS: Class B, District 11B, Region 6B

LAST YEAR: The Pirates ended the year 15-8, losing to Corsica-Stckney in the Region Final. They lose three starters and five letterwinners.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Nick Poppe (Sr., 5-11, G), Luke VanGerven (Sr., 6-4, F), Jackson Powers (Sr., 5-9, G), John Wynia (Sr., 6-3, C), Wyatt Beeson (Sr., 5-9, F), Taylor Mudder (Jr., 6-3, C), Brandon Kocmich (So., 6-1, G/F) Logan Powers (Jr., 5-11, F), Devin Tolsma (Fr., 5-9, G), Logan Mudder (Fr., 6-3, F), Adian Schryuas (Jr., 5-9, F), Jonah Sturgeon (Jr., 5-9, F), Taylor Hento (Jr., 6-0, C).

TOP PROSPECTS: Caleb VanGerven (So., F), Clay Lukkes (So. F), Kale Beeson (Fr., F), Josh Knodel (Fr., F), Jacob Knodel (Fr., F), Zach Wynia (Fr., F), Cole Fillians (Fr., G), Jeremy Leibel (Fr., F), Cody Namminga (Fr., G), Trey Doom (Fr., C)

Beresford

COACH: Jerry Carda (3rd year, 26-18)
ASSISTANT: Greg Hammerquist
VITALS: Class A, Region 4A, District 8A, Big Sioux Conference

LAST YEAR: The Watchdogs went 14-8, finishing second in District 8A and 3-4 in the Big Sioux. Beresford returns two letterwinners from that squad



PLAYER TO WATCH | TRIPP-DELMONT-ARMOUR'S ADAM FINK (RIGHT, 2ND-TEAM ALL-STATE)
ALSO PICTURED, WAGNER'S BRANSON TOLLIVER

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Austin Carlson (Sr., 6-0, G, 4.3 ppg, 1.9 apg, 1.3 spg), Hayden Palmer (Sr., 6-3, G, 12 ppg on JV)

TOP PROSPECTS: Matt Hoines (Sr., 6-4, C), Austin Meester (So., 6-1, G, 9.4 ppg on JV), Matt Wiebers (Jr., 6-2, F, 4.5 rpg on JV), Eli Orr (So., 5-11, F, 7.0 ppg, 3.5 rpg on JV), Brad Bogue (So., 5-9, G/F, 7.5 ppg, 3.3 rpg on JV), Trevor Anderson (So., 5-10, G, 7.5 ppg, 1.9 apg on JV), Kory Diefendorf (So., 5-8, G, 2.3 ppg)

Bon Homme

COACH: Chris Gubbrud (2nd year)
ASSISTANT: Drew Lawrence
VITALS: Class A, District 10A, Region 5A, Southeast South Dakota Conference, Little Missouri Valley Conference
LAST YEAR: The Cavaliers went 9-11 last year, losing to Wagner in the first

Districts

8A — March 1 & 3 (high seed)— Beresford, Dakota Valley, Elk Point-Jefferson, Vermillion
10A — Feb. 28 & March 2 (high seed) — Bon Homme, Parkston, Platte-Geddes, Wagner

7B — Feb. 25, 28, March 2 at Tea — Freeman, Freeman Academy, Marion, Parker
8B — Feb. 27-28 at Centerville, March 2 at Tea — Alcester-Hudson, Centerville, Gayville-Volin, Irene-Wakonda, Viborg-Hurley

11B — Feb. 25, 28 at Top Seed, March 3 at Corn Palace— Avon, Menno, Scotland
12B — TBA — Andes Central, Marty, Tripp-Delmont-Armour

round of Districts.

TOP PROSPECTS: Kodi Larson (Jr., 6-1), Charlie Bentzen (Sr., 6-4), Jeff Honner (Sr., 6-1), Scott Ulmer (Sr., 6-0), Travis McDonald (Sr., 6-3), Scott Van Winckle (So., 6-0), Mike Mesman (So., 6-3), Les Jelsma (Jr., 6-6).

Centerville

COACH: Kory Muller (10th year)
VITALS: Class B, Region 4B, District 8B, Tri-Valley Conference
Last Year: The Tornadoes lost to Irene-Wakonda in District Finals to end the season 7-14. They return eight letterwinners and four starters.

TOP PROSPECTS: Zach Weinzettl (Sr., 6-2, F), Aaron Anderson (Sr., 6-6, C), Seamus O'Malley (So., 6-0, G), Ty Knutson (Jr., 6-3, G), Logan Hunter (Jr., 5-10, G), Luke Abbas (Jr., 6-2, C), Josh DeRaad (So., 6-0, G), Ethan Cunningham (So., 5-9, G/F)

Dakota Valley

COACH: Jason Kleis (5th season)
VITALS: Class A, Region 4A, District 8A, Big Sioux Conference
LAST YEAR: The Panthers finished the season 17-6 and lost in the Region final. They have seven returning letterwinners.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Colin Gunderson (Sr., 5-8, G), Brock Bergmann (Sr., 6-1, F), Blake Nesje (Sr.,

6-6, C), Evan Steemken (Sr., 6-2, F), Blake Van Ginkel (Jr., 6-1, G), Andrew Reiff (Jr., 6-1, F), Brady Van Ginkel (So., 5-9, G)

TOP PROSPECTS: Anthony Roeber (Sr., 6-1, F), Jasen Lupkes (So., 6-2, F), Isaac Falolm (So., 6-3, F), Ben Cork (Jr., 5-11, F) Brady Beach (Jr., 5-9, G)

Elk Point-Jefferson

COACH: Cole Knipping (3rd year)
ASSISTANTS: Kelly Haberling, Ryan Oetken, Jim Rosenbaum
VITALS: Class A, Region 4A, District 8A, Big Sioux Conference
LAST YEAR: Elk Point-Jefferson went 15-6 last season and lost to Beresford in the first round of districts. They lost five seniors.

TOP PROSPECTS: Brock Zeller (Jr., 6-3, G/F), Mike Wurtz (Sr., 6-2, G), Blake Donnelly (Jr., 6-1, G), Tyler Koupal (Sr., 6-3, G), Nick Murphy (Sr., 6-1, C), Tony Metzgar (Sr., 6-3, G), Connor Penfield (Sr., 6-2, F), Bryce Kelly (Jr., 6-5, C).

Freeman

COACH: Rory Hermson (16th year)
ASSISTANT: Don Hotchkiss
VITALS: Class B, Region 4B, District 7B, Cornbelt Conference
LAST YEAR: The Flyers lost to Avon in the district championship ending the season 4-18. They lost four starters and four letterwinners from that squad.



AVON | NICK POPPE (SHOOTING)

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Caleb Long (Jr., 6-2, C), Jordan Rinehart (Jr., 5-11, G), Arron Lickteig (Jr., 6-0, F), Grant Prehiem (So., 5-10, G), Joe Weier (So., 6-2, F), Chet Peterson (So., 5-9, G), Cole Paulson (Fr., 6-3, F)

TOP PROSPECTS: Shaun Becker (Jr., 6-3, G), Brennon Schmidt (Fr., 6-4, F), Cole Waldhauser (So., G), Nick Helderbrand (So., F), Avery Sage (Fr., C), Thomas Kaufman (Fr., G), Josh Roth (Fr., G)

Freeman Academy

COACH: Joey Graber (1st year)
VITALS: Class B, Region 4B, District 7B, Tri-Valley Conference

LAST YEAR: The Bobcats lost in the first round of district play. They lost three starters and three letterwinners from that squad.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Adam Unruh (Sr., 6-1, F), Noah Yoder (Jr., 6-0, F), Ben Carlson (Jr., 6-0, F), Andrew Graber (So., 5-11, G), Gabriel Eisenbeis (So., 6-0, G)

TOP PROSPECTS: Caleb Glader (Sr., 6-1, C), James DeJarnette (Jr., 6-1, G), Cole Hofer (So., 5-8, G), Jordan Barton (So., 5-5, G), Ben Brockmeller (So., 5-8, G), Mark Sukmark (Sr., 5-9, G)

Gayville-Volin

COACH: Justin Karstens (1st year)
ASSISTANT: Casey Nelson
VITALS: Class B, Region 4B, District 8B, Tri-Valley Conference

Last Year: The Raiders went 2-19 last season losing to Irene-Wakonda in the first round of districts. They lost four starters and four letterwinners.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Kyle Kocmick (Sr., 6-2, F), Luke Buffington (Sr., 5-10, F), Brandon Lee (Sr., 6-2, C), Zach Barta (Sr., 5-10, G), Alec Barta (Fr., 6-0, G).

TOP PROSPECTS: Dillon Pokomey (Sr., 6-0, F), Justin Nelson (Sr., 5-11, G), Zach Engen (Jr., 5-10, F), DJ Hawthorne (Jr., 5-11, F), Brandon VanOsdal (Fr., 5-10, G), Ryan Adams (Fr., 6-0, F), Cameron Coke (Sr., 6-0, F)

Irene-Wakonda

COACH: Mike King (10th year)
ASSISTANTS: Brent Mutchelknaus, Josh Nielsen
VITALS: Class B, Region 4B, District 8B, Tri-Valley Conference

LAST YEAR: The Eagles lost to Canistota in Region play to end the season 11-12. They lost two starters and four letterwinners from that team.

RETURNING LETTERWINNERS: Scott Davis (Sr., 6-3, F), Sam Kiger (Sr., 6-4, F), Cash Murphy (Sr., 5-7, G), Brian Huth (Sr., 6-0, F), Dustin Livingston (Jr., 6-0, G), Jake Vollmer (Jr., 5-10, G)

TOP PROSPECTS: Phil Hessman (Sr., 6-0, F), Cody Schenk (Jr., 6-2, C), Garrett Anderson (So., 6-0, F), Mike Peterson (Sr., 5-11, F), Dylan Ruter (Jr., 5-

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Crofton HS

Warriors Boys' Basketball

Date	Opponent	Location
12/2	Laurel-Concord	Laurel
12/3	Ponca	Crofton
12/9	Elkhorn Valley	Tilden
12/13	Hartington Cedar Catholic	Hartington
12/16	Creighton	Crofton
12/20	O'Neill	O'Neill
12/29-30	Crofton Holiday Tournament	Crofton
1/3	Norfolk Catholic	Crofton
1/5	Battle Creek	Crofton
1/6	West Holt	West Holt
1/13	Neligh-Oakdale	Neligh
1/14	Lutheran High Northeast	Crofton
1/17	Wayne	Crofton
1/20	Plainview	Plainview
1/26	Pierce	Pierce
1/28-2/3	NENAC Conference Tourn.	Crofton
2/10	Randolph	Crofton
2/17	Boone Central	Crofton

Warriors Girls' Basketball

Date	Opponent	Location
12/1	Hartington Cedar Catholic	Crofton
12/2	Laurel-Concord	Laurel
12/6	Boone Central	Crofton
12/9	Elkhorn Valley	Tilden
12/15	Ponca	Crofton
12/16	Creighton	Crofton
12/20	O'Neill	O'Neill
12/29-30	Crofton Holiday Tournament	Crofton
1/5	Battle Creek	Crofton
1/6	West Holt	West Holt
1/13	Neligh-Oakdale	Neligh
1/14	Lutheran High Northeast	Crofton
1/17	Wayne	Crofton
1/20	Plainview	Plainview
1/26	Pierce	Pierce
1/28-2/2	NENAC Conference Tourn.	West Holt
2/9	Norfolk Catholic	Norfolk
2/10	Randolph	Crofton

Warriors Wrestling

Date	Opponent	Location
12/3	Pierce	Pierce
12/1	Creighton Invitational	Creighton
12/8	Bon Homme	Tyndall, SD
12/10	West-Point-Beemer Tourn.	West Point
1/6	Burwell Invitational	Burwell
1/12	Hartington CC-West Holt Tri.	Crofton
1/14	Palmer Invitational	Palmer
1/19	NENAC Conf. Tournament	Creighton
1/20	Madison Invitational	Madison
1/28	Plainview Tournament	Plainview
2/2	Vermillion	Vermillion, SD
2/4	Norfolk Catholic Invitational	Norfolk



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