

SOUTH DAKOTA PREP BOYS' BASKETBALL

Alcester-Hudson

COACH: Kevin Kunz (1st year)
VITALS: Class B, District 8, Region 4B, Tri-Valley Conference
LAST YEAR: The Cubs, 2-20 overall, lost in the second round of the district tournament after defeating Gayville-Volin in round one. They expect to start all underclassmen this season. The Cubs return two letterwinners but no starters.
TOP PROSPECTS: Lyle Lafromboise (So., 6-3, C, 4.5 ppg, 5.4 rpg), Christopher Klemme (So., 6-0, G/F, 2.2 ppg, 1.3 rpg), Grant Johnson (Fr., 6-0, F, 4.8 ppg, 4.6 rpg), Zach Ronning (Fr., 5-10, G, 0.9 ppg, 0.7 rpg), Mitchell Johnson (Fr., 5-10, G, 2.3 ppg, 1.8 rpg, 1.8 apg), Nick Johannsen (Fr., 5-11, G/F), John Kemner (Fr., 6-2, F/C), Gavin Doehring (8th, 5-9, G), Sam Jensen (8th, 5-9, G)

Andes Central

COACH: Tom Cooney (7th year)
ASSISTANT: Jay Barting
VITALS: Class B, District 12, Region 6B, Little Missouri Valley Conference
LAST YEAR: The Eagles lost two letterwinners, including one starter, from last year's 6-12 squad.
RETURNING LETTER-WINNERS: Gabe Cournoyer (Sr., G), Zach Cournoyer (Jr., G), Aaron Swanson (Jr., C), Joe Evans (Jr., F)
TOP PROSPECTS: Darrin Hopkins (Jr., C), Brian Bruguier (Jr., F), Neulan Dion (Jr., G), Jason Drapeau (So., G)

Avon

COACH: Brad Poppe (16th year)
ASSISTANT: Paul Thury
VITALS: Class B, District 11, Region 6B
LAST YEAR: The Pirates were 13-8 last season, losing to Ethan in the first round of districts. They graduated four letterwinners, all starters.
RETURNING LETTER-WINNERS: Brandon Kocmich (Jr., 6-4, G/F, 7 ppg, 4 rpg), Taylor Mudder (Sr., 6-3, C, 3 ppg, 3 rpg), Logan Mudder (So., 6-4, G/F, 2 ppg, 1 rpg), Devin Tolsma (5-10, G, 1 ppg, 1 rpg), Logan Powers (Sr., 5-11, F, 1 ppg, 1 rpg), Taylor Hento (Sr., 6-3, C), Adrian Schryvers (Sr., 6-1, F)
TOP PROSPECTS: Jonah

Sturgeon (Sr., 5-10, G), Caleb VanGerpen (Jr., 5-10, F), Cody Wamminga (So., 5-9, G), Zach Wynia (So., 5-9, F), Josh Knodel (So., 6-0, F), Trey Doom (So., 6-0, F)

Beresford

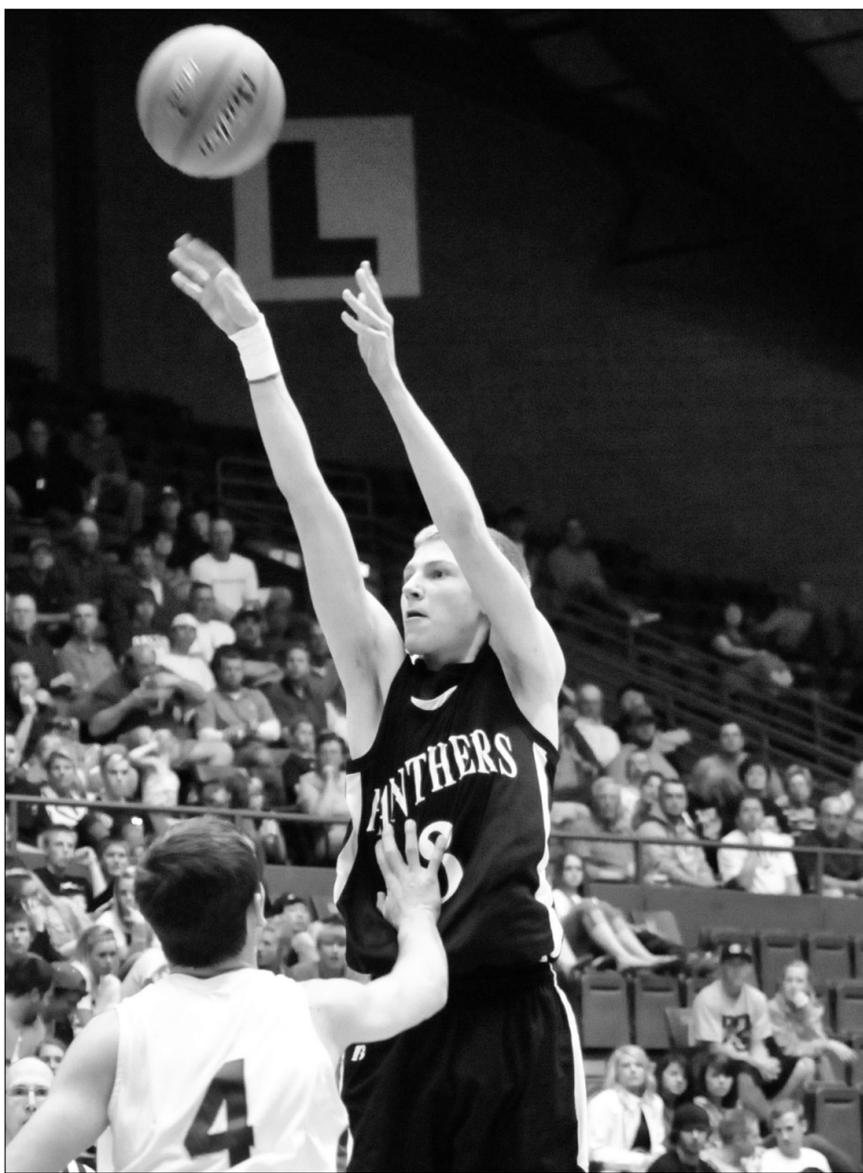
COACH: Jerry Carda (4th year)
ASSISTANT: Mike Busch
VITALS: Class 8A, District 8, Region 4A, Big Sioux Conference
LAST YEAR: The Watchdogs went 3-18 and lost in the first round of districts. Gone from that team are four letterwinners.
RETURNING LETTER-WINNERS: Austin Meester (Jr., 6-3, F/C, 3.7 ppg, 4.5 rpg), Kory Diefendorf (Jr., 5-11, G, 3.5 ppg, 2.1 apg), Oliver Doeden (So., 6-3, G/F, 5.7 ppg, 5.3 rpg), Reggan Hout (Jr., 6-0, F)
TOP PROSPECTS: Joseph Kirkebak (So., 6-3, G), Hunter Cotton (So., 5-7, G), Justin Dolen (So., 5-7, G), A.J. Schmidt (So., 5-9, F/C)
NEWCOMERS: Chris Kroppe (Fr., 5-9, G), Logan Busch (Fr., 6-3, F/C), Hunter Bergland (Fr., 5-8, G)

Bon Homme

COACH: Chris Gubbrud (3rd year)
VITALS: Class A, District 10, Region 5A, Little Missouri Valley Conference, Southeast South Dakota Conference
LAST YEAR: The Cavaliers were 3-12 last year with six letterwinners and four starters returning. They lost to eventual district champion Platte-Geddes to end their season.
TOP PROSPECTS: Scott VanWinkle (Jr., 6-1, G, 5 ppg, 3 apg, 3 rpg, 2.5 spg), Kodi Larson (Sr., 6-2, G, 9 ppg, 3 rpg, 1.5 apg), Mike Mesman (Jr., 6-4, F, 2.5 ppg, 2 rpg), Les Jelsma (Sr., 6-7, F, 7 ppg, 3.5 rpg), Alec Weber (Sr., 6-0, SG, 4.5 ppg, 1 spg, 1 apg), John Barrett (So., 6-5, F), Scott Wieseler (Jr., 6-1, G/F), Dakota Bodden (Jr., 6-0, G)

Centerville

COACH: Kory Muller (11th year)
VITALS: Class B, District 8, Region 4B, Tri-Valley Conference
LAST YEAR: The Tornados have six returning letterwinners and five returning starters from their 16-6 season. Centerville ad-



DAKOTA VALLEY: Blake Van Ginkel

vanced to the district championship, where they were defeated by Viborg-Hurley.

TOP PROSPECTS: Seamus O'Malley (Jr., 6-1, G, 18 ppg), Josh DeRaad (Jr., 6-0, G), Logan Hunter (Sr., 5-10, G), Luke Abbas (Sr., 6-2, C/F), Ty Knutson (Sr., 6-4, F/G), Ethan Cunningham (Jr., 5-9, G), Jacob Skotvold (Jr., 5-10, G), Darren Hyberson (Jr., 5-9, G), Trent Sikkink (So., 6-0, F), Christian Gruschin (So., 6-3, F/C),

Rory O'Malley (Fr., 5-6, G), TyReel Martz (Fr., 5-9, G)

Dakota Valley

COACH: Jason Klies (6th year)
ASSISTANTS: Brian Uhl, Todd Barry, Jason Mork, Nathan Connelly
VITALS: Class A, District 8A, Region 4A, Big Sioux Conference
LAST YEAR: The Panthers

were 22-4 last season, losing in the Class A state championship game to St. Thomas More, 63-56. Gone from that team are two starters.

RETURNING LETTER-WINNERS: Blake Van Ginkel (Sr., 6-2, G, 13 ppg, 2nd Team All-Conference, All-State Tournament Team), Andrew Reiff (Sr., 6-2, F, 8 ppg, 3 rpg), Isaac Faldmo (Jr., 6-4, F, 3 ppg, 2 rpg), Keegan McCabe (Sr., 5-11, G), Jason Lup-

kes (Jr., 6-4, F, 3 ppg, 2 rpg), Andrew Prochello (Jr., 6-1, G), Brody Van Ginkel (Jr., 5-10, PG, 10 ppg, 3 apg)

TOP PROSPECTS: Ben Cork (Sr., 6-1, F), Aaron Likness (Sr., 6-0, G)

Elk Point-Jefferson

COACH: Cole Knipping (4th year)
ASSISTANTS: Kelly Habering, Ryan Oetken
VITALS: Class A, District 8, Region 4A, Big Sioux Conference
LAST YEAR: The Huskies graduated five seniors from their 14-8 season. They lost in the district title game to eventual state runner-up Dakota Valley.
RETURNING LETTER-WINNERS: Brock Zeller (Sr., 6-3, G/F, 19.3 ppg, 7 rpg, All-Conference, 2nd Team All-State), Blake Donnelly (Sr., 6-2, PG, 5.8 ppg, 4.5 apg), Bryce Kelly (Sr., 6-6, C, 9.5 ppg, 5.5 rpg), Dakota Navrkal (Sr., 5-10, G), Adam Shanks (Jr., 6-5, F)
TOP PROSPECTS: Andre Flynn (Jr., 6-3, G), Sam Viereck (Sr., 5-10, G), Jordan Brandon (Jr., 6-7, C), Brandon Koupal (So., 6-0, G), Alex Dawdy (Sr., G), Cody Reed (Jr., C/F)

Freeman

COACH: Rory Hermsen (17th year)
ASSISTANT: Don Hotchkiss
VITALS: Class B, District 7, Region 4B, Cornbelt Conference
LAST YEAR: The Flyers were 10-12 last season, defeating Freeman Academy in the first round of district play before falling to Canistota. They return all of their starters.
RETURNING LETTER-WINNERS: Shaun Becker (Sr., 6-3, G, 14.7 ppg, 7.6 rpg, All-Conference, All-Region), Jordan Rinehart (Sr., 5-11, G, 10.1 ppg, 3.4 rpg), Caleb Long (Sr., 6-2, C, 8.9 ppg, 7.3 rpg, All-Conference), Arron Lickteig (Sr., 6-0, F, 5.2 ppg, 2.9 rpg), Grant Preheim (Jr., 5-10, G), Joe Weier (Jr., 6-2, F, 2 ppg, 1.6 rpg), Nick Helderbrand (Jr., 5-11, G), Cole Paulsen (So., 6-3, F, 10.5 ppg, 4.3 rpg), Brennan Schmidt (So., 6-4, F, 2.6 ppg, 3.4 rpg)

Gayville-Volin

COACH: Justin Karstens (3rd year)
ASSISTANT: Kellen Moser
VITALS: Class B, District 8, Region 4B, Tri-Valley Conference
LAST YEAR: The Raiders lost 10 letterwinners, including

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trict D1-5, Northeast Nebraska Activities Conference
LAST YEAR: The Cardinals lost two letterwinners, both of them starters, from their 18-6 season.
RETURNING LETTER-WINNERS: Grant Anderson (Sr., 6-6, F, All-Conference, 14.2 ppg, 10.6 rpg), Levi Lackas (Sr., 6-1, G, All-Conference, 10.1 ppg, 4.4 rpg), Nolan Nordhues (Jr., 6-0, G, All-

Conference, 8.3 ppg, 3.8 rpg), Justin Korth (Sr., 6-0, G), Nathan Tunink (Sr., 6-0, F), Seth Lackas (So., 6-3, C), Luke Andrew (Jr., 6-1, G/F), Jacob Svitak (Sr., 6-3, C)

Santee

COACH: Waylon LaPlante (4th year)
ASSISTANT: Justin Kitto
VITALS: Class D2, Niobrara Valley Conference
LAST YEAR: The Warriors ended their season 9-15, winning the first round of sub-districts and losing the second round to Wynot. The Warriors lost four

starters from that team.

RETURNING LETTER-WINNERS: Matt Henry (So., 5-10, F), Donovan Pike (So., 5-10, F), Tony Whipple (So., 6-3, C), David Henry Jr. (Jr., 5-5, G), Christian Swalley (Jr., 5-9, G), Weylyn Washington (Sr., 6-3, C)
TOP PROSPECTS: Jaylon LaPlante (Fr., 5-7, G), Damon Pojar Henry (Fr., 5-8, G), Nick White (Jr., 5-9, G), Rodney Bickerstaff Jr. (Sr., 5-9, G), Tyral Denney (Sr., 5-9, G)

Wausa

COACH: Tylor Fincher (2nd year)
ASSISTANT: Brandon Kirby
VITALS: Class D2, Sub-District D2-6, Lewis and Clark Conference
LAST YEAR: The Vikings lost one starter from their 18-7 season. The Vikings lost to Wynot in overtime in the sub-districts.
RETURNING LETTER-WINNERS: Austin Conn (Jr., 6-1, G, All-Conference, 487 pts.), Mar-

cus Clausen (Sr., 6-3, F, All-Conference, 784 pts.), Reid Friedrich (Sr., 6-3, F), Trevor Wakeley (Sr., 6-3, G, All-Conference, 805 pts.), Hunter Vanness (Jr., 6-3, F), Adam Kleinschmidt (Sr., 6-2, F), Spencer Rosberg (Jr., 6-1, G), Devon Munter (Jr., 6-0, G), Gavin Friedrich (Sr., 6-0, G), Matt Koehler (Jr., 6-0, F)
TOP PROSPECTS: Christopher Kleinschmit (Jr., 6-2, F), Trevor McQuay (Jr., 5-10, G), Jordan Burns (So., 5-11, G), Kyle Kleinschmit (So., 5-11, G)

Wynot

COACH: Lee Heimes (14th year)
ASSISTANT: Steve Heimes
VITALS: Class D2, Sub-District D2-5, Lewis and Clark Conference
LAST YEAR: The Blue Devils were 24-3 at the end of their season last year, finishing third at state. They lost four letterwinners, three of them starters, from that team.
RETURNING LETTER-

WINNERS: Nathan Wieseler (Sr., 6-8, C, All-Conference, All-State), John DeBlauw (Sr., 5-10, G), Jackson Sudbeck (Jr., 5-10, PG), Brady Stratman (Jr., 5-11, G), Davis Wieseler (Jr., 6-0, G), Joe Harold (Jr., 6-1, F), Kyle Eskins (Jr., 6-3, C), Kyle Boeckman (So., 6-1, F)
TOP PROSPECTS: Jordan DeBlauw (So., 5-10, F), Christian Krie (So., 5-10, G), Tristan Wieseler (So., 5-10, G), Austin Lange (Fr., 6-0, F), Cody Stratman (Fr., 5-9, G), Trevor Gartner (Fr., 5-9, G), Keenan Wieseler (Fr., 5-11, F)

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Niobrara-Verdigre

Boys' Basketball

Date	Opponent/Event	Location
11/29	Stuart	Niobrara
11/30	Elgin Public/Pope John	Elgin
12/4	St. Mary's	O'Neill
12/7	Clearwater/Orchard	Verdigre
12/8	Bloomfield	Bloomfield
12/11	Ewing	Ewing
12/17	Wausa	Niobrara
12/20	Lindsay Holy Family	Lindsay
12/27-28	Verdigre Booster Club Holiday Tour	Verdigre
1/3-5	Wausa Post-Holiday Tournament	Wausa
1/8	Wynot	Wynot
1/15	North Central	Verdigre
1/19	Creighton	Creighton
1/22	CWC	Chambers
1/24	Santee	Niobrara
1/26-2/2	Niobrara Valley Conference Tour	TBA
2/5	West Holt	Verdigre
2/8	Boyd County	Boyd County
2/18-19, 21	Sub-District C2-8 Tournament	O'Neill
2/26	District C2-4 Final	TBD
3/7-9	State Tournament	Lincoln

Girls' Basketball

Date	Opponent/Event	Location
11/29	Stuart	Stuart
11/30	Elgin Public/Pope John	Elgin
12/4	St. Mary's	O'Neill
12/7	Clearwater/Orchard	Verdigre
12/8	Bloomfield	Bloomfield
12/11	Ewing	Ewing
12/17	Wausa	Niobrara
12/20	Lindsay Holy Family	Lindsay
12/27-28	Verdigre Booster Club Holiday Tour	Verdigre
1/3-5	Wausa Post-Holiday Tournament	Wausa
1/8	Wynot	Wynot
1/15	North Central	Verdigre
1/19	Creighton	Creighton
1/22	CWC	Chambers
1/24	Santee	Niobrara
1/26-2/2	Niobrara Valley Conference Tour	TBA
2/5	West Holt	Verdigre
2/8	Boyd County	Boyd County
2/11-12, 14	Sub-District C2-8 Tournament	O'Neill
2/22	District C2-4 Final	TBD
2/28-3/2	State Tournament	Lincoln

Wynot

Boys' Basketball

Date	Opponent/Event	Location
11/29	Bloomfield	Wynot
11/30	Winside	Winside
12/3	Omaha Nation	Wynot
12/7	Osmond	Wynot
12/11	Homer	Wynot
12/14	Wausa	Wausa
12/18	Ponca	Ponca
12/21	Randolph	Randolph
12/28-29	Crofton Holiday Tour	Crofton
1/3-4	Classic BB Tour. Bloomfield/Winside/Hartington	
1/8	Niobrara/Verdigre	Wynot
1/11	Winnebago	Winnebago
1/15	Allen	Allen
1/17	Gayville-Volin, S.D.	Wynot
1/25	Hartington Cedar Catholic	Wynot
1/28-2/4	Lewis & Clark Conference Tournament	TBA
2/5	Irene/Wakonda, S.D.	Wakonda, S.D.
2/8	Hartington	Hartington
2/15	Laurel-Concord	Wynot
2/18-19, 21	Sub-District D2-5 Tournament	Hartington
2/26	District D2-3 Final	TBD
3/7-9	State Tournament	Lincoln

Girls' Basketball

Date	Opponent/Event	Location
11/29	Bloomfield	Wynot
11/30	Winside	Winside
12/3	Omaha Nation	Wynot
12/7	Osmond	Wynot
12/11	Homer	Wynot
12/14	Wausa	Wausa
12/18	Ponca	Ponca
12/21	Randolph	Randolph
12/28-29	Crofton Holiday Tour	Crofton
1/3-4	Classic BB Tour. Bloomfield/Winside/Hartington	
1/5	West Sioux, Iowa	Hawarden, Iowa
1/8	Niobrara/Verdigre	Wynot
1/11	Winnebago	Winnebago
1/15	Allen	Allen
1/17	Gayville-Volin, S.D.	Wynot
1/25	Hartington Cedar Catholic	Wynot
1/26-2/4	Lewis & Clark Conference Tour	TBA
2/5	Irene-Wakonda, S.D.	Wakonda, S.D.
2/8	Hartington	Hartington
2/11-12, 14	Sub-District D2-5 Tournament	Hartington
2/22	District D2-3 Final	TBD
2/28-3/2	State Tournament	Lincoln

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