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**Middle Row:** Dawson Dutchuk, Benson Kramer, Elijah Jung, Treven Hopfauf, Colton Jones, Christopher Zubke, Tristen Brunk, Lucas Jones

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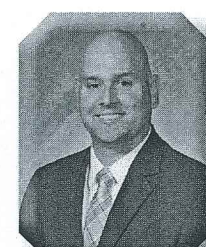
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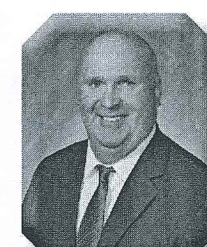
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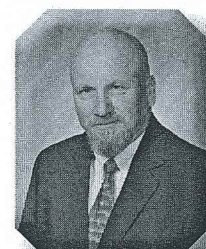
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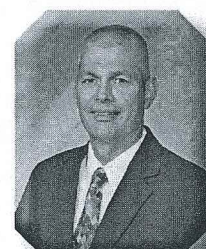
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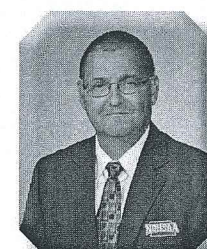
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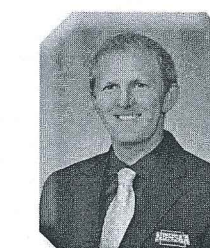
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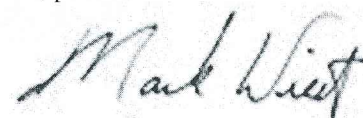
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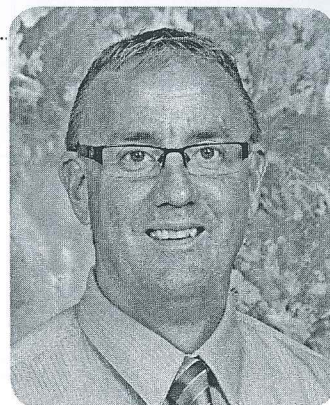
# Welcome

Welcome to Mandan and the 2017 State "A" Baseball Tournament. We're excited to be hosting this year's tournament and looking forward to some entertaining baseball. On behalf of Mandan Public Schools and Mandan Parks & Recreation Department, I want to extend a special welcome to the players, coaches, family members and fans. We hope you enjoy our hospitality and your experience playing and watching baseball at Dave Ressler Field at Mandan Veteran's Memorial Ballpark. If there is anything we can do to help during your visit, please let us know.

Good luck to all the players, coaches, and fans.  
Please remember to exhibit positive sportsmanship throughout the tournament.



Mark Wiest, Tournament Manager



## NDHSAA TOURNAMENT CODE OF CONDUCT

**Purpose:** To elevate standards of Good Sportsmanship and to encourage the growth of responsible citizenship among the students, member schools, and their personnel.

### Fundamentals of Good Sportsmanship

1. Know, appreciate, and understand the rules of the contest.
2. Show respect for the officials. Good sportsmanship implies the willingness to accept and abide by the decisions of the officials.
3. Show respect for the opponent at all times. Good Sportsmanship is the Golden Rule in action.
4. Recognize and appreciate the skill of performance regardless of team affiliation.
5. Maintain self control at all times. Good sportsmanship is a responsibility of all who are involved in the game.
6. Show a positive attitude in cheering, refraining from intimidation or negative cheering. Good sportsmanship is cheering your own team "on to victory."

### Acts of Misconduct

1. Throwing of any object onto the playing floor or in the stands.
2. Behavior deemed dangerous or which interferes with the rights of others to watch the game.
3. Possessing, consuming, or being under the influence of chemicals.
4. Use of obscene, profane, or abusive language or gestures, signs, posters, or banners which show disrespect for opponent's team, officials, cheerleaders, band or other performing groups.
5. The use of noisemakers.
6. Entry onto the playing surface at any time.

THESE ACTS OF MISCONDUCT WILL NOT BE TOLERATED AND WILL RESULT IN AUTOMATIC REMOVAL WITHOUT REFUND OF ADMISSION.

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## 2017 State "A" Baseball Tournament Personnel

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**Saturday, June 3 • 11:30a.m.** ..... Kaylin Tomac  
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## BASEBALL STATE "A" CHAMPIONS

YEAR	SCHOOL	YEAR	SCHOOL	YEAR	SCHOOL
2000	Grand Forks Central	2006	GF Central	2012	West Fargo
2001	Dickinson	2007	Dickinson	2013	Shanley
2002	Fargo North	2008	Williston	2014	Bismarck High
2003	Bismarck	2009	Dickinson	2015	Mandan
2004	Dickinson	2010	Mandan	2016	Dickinson
2005	Minot	2011	Fargo South		

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1341 (Grandstand 217, Bleachers 560, Club Level 64, Standing Room Only 500)

: Left Field Line 305, Left Field Power Alley 330, Center Field 385, Right Field Power Alley 345, Right Field Line 320.

The 26 foot "chain link monster" is located in left field. The scoreboard in right field is in play and if a ball is hit in the 2 foot space between the scoreboard and the foul pole, the hit is a home run.

The "best seat in the house" is located on the third base side of home plate.

The press box has wireless internet but limited space, especially during the tournament season as the public address announcer, scoreboard operator, statisticians, and media share the space.

The press box is available for the media, but has limited space. If crowded, the radio has first priority as they need equipment connections. The Press box does have wireless internet.

Located under the press box and available only to Mandan Braves, Mandan Chiefs, and Mandan A's coaches.

: Located under the club level seating and are only available for the Mandan Braves, Mandan Chiefs, and Mandan A's baseball teams.

: This comfortable space for umpires working games at the ballpark includes: air conditioning, hooks for equipment/uniforms, sofa, chairs, refrigerator, sink, and toilet facilities. The umpires have direct access to the playing surface on the first base side of home plate.

Available for meetings, tournament headquarters, or any other uses as needed.

Each dugout has ample space for baseball teams. The hooks along the back help organize equipment. The helmet and bat compartments on the home plate side of each dugout should be used to avoid unsafe conditions for players around the dugout. Water jugs/cups or bottled water will be provided by Mandan.

The railings in front of the dugouts are designed to help protect, but all team members are asked to pay attention at all times, as foul balls hit toward the dugout can be dangerous.

: The two batting cages are located 'out of play' down the right field line. For the safety of all players and coaches, management asks everyone in the batting cages should wear a helmet. Coaches are asked to require their players to wear turf or

tennis shoes while hitting in the cages. We have just installed turf and turf mats in our cages. The turf will not wear out as quickly if turf or tennis shoes are used rather than cleats.

The two bullpens are located 'out of play' down the respective foul line. Each bullpen has two mounds.

: The concession stand is sponsored by the Mandan Baseball Boosters and is located near the front entrance of the ballpark. A wide variety of items will be sold. All proceeds will be used to support Mandan Baseball.

Located just across from the concession stand near the front entrance of the ballpark.

Located next to the restrooms near the front entrance of the ballpark. During tournaments this is sometimes referred to as 'gate A'.

Located behind the first base dugout. This gate is not designed to allow fans in the ballpark. During tournaments, this is sometimes referred to as 'gate B'.

Buses are asked to park west of the concession stand, on the grass beyond the outfield fence of the little league diamonds. Cars and any other vehicles are able to park on the small parking lot on the west side of the concession area and also in the large parking lot on the east side of the concession area and south of the ballpark. Fans are asked to remember that foul balls are more likely to land in the parking lot south of the ballpark. The host team, Mandan Public School, or Mandan Parks & Recreation Department are not liable for any damage done to teams or fans vehicles while driving by or parked at Dave Ressler Field at Mandan Veteran's Memorial Ballpark.

While attending a baseball game, fans are asked to pay attention to the game and understand that foul balls or bats may be hit or thrown into the stands at any time. Mandan Public Schools and the Mandan Parks & Recreation District are not liable for any damages incurred to fans by flying balls or bats.

Smoking is not allowed on the grounds or in the press box at Dave Ressler Field at Mandan Veteran's Memorial Ballpark. Please help us maintain a tobacco free environment for all players and fans.

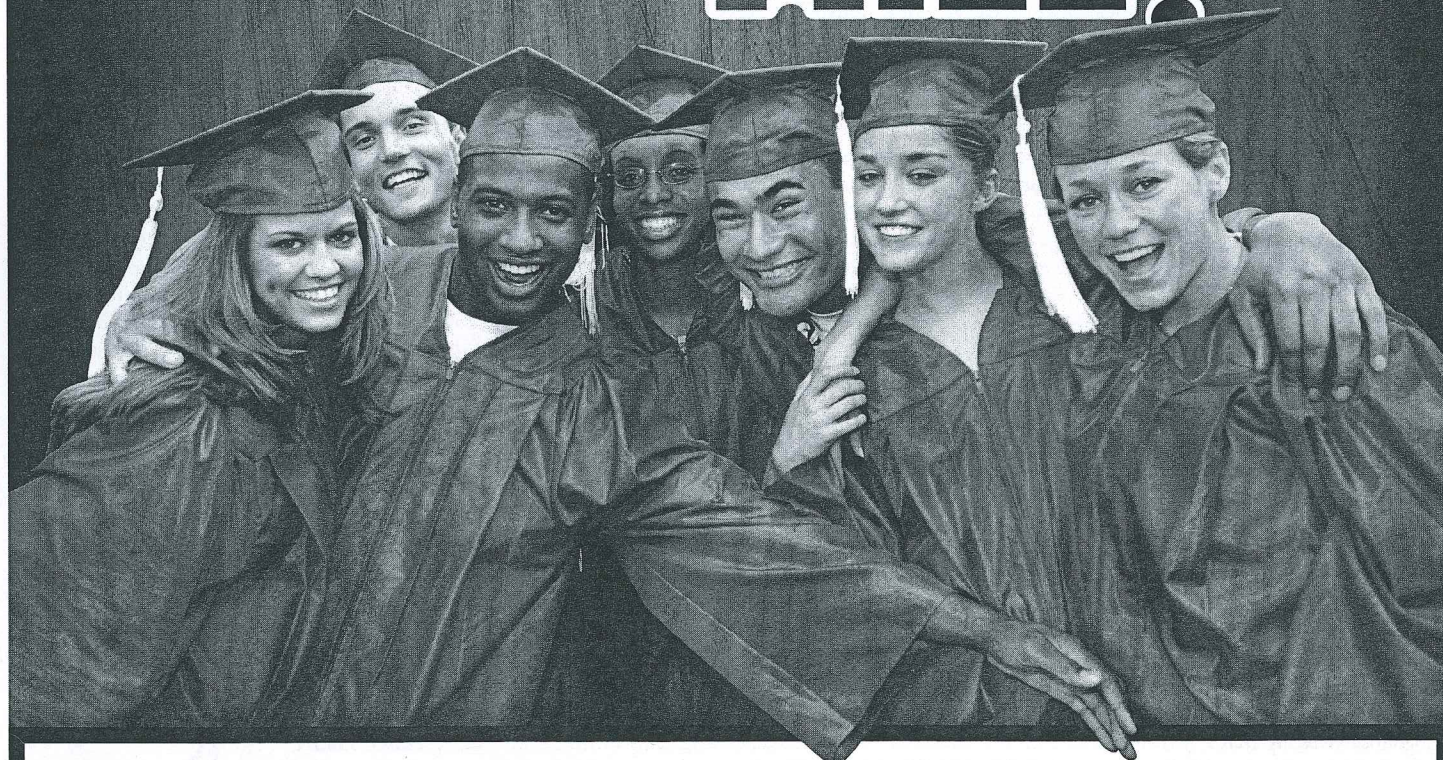
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## COACHES

### HANS ANDERSON FARGO DAVIES EAGLES

Hans Anderson is in his seventh year as head coach for the Davies Eagles. Coach Anderson grew up in Minneapolis, MN. Hans has coached American Legion baseball in the Twin Cities, served as a youth baseball coordinator for the West Fargo Park District, coached the Fargo Davies freshmen team, as well as the Fargo Metro Expos and Post 400 Junior Legion Team. Coach Anderson has a Social Studies Education degree and a Master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction from Minnesota State University Moorhead. Hans teaches eighth grade US History at Discovery Middle School in Fargo, ND. Hans is married to JoDee and they have two sons, Nolan (5) and Knox (3).

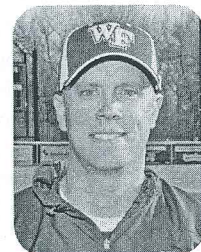


### BRETT PETERSON WEST FARGO PACKERS

Brett Peterson is in his 14th season as head coach of the West Fargo Packers. He is a native of Thief River Falls, MN, where he graduated from Lincoln High in 1994. He attended Concordia College in Moorhead, graduating with degrees in Physical Education and Health Education.

Brett began his coaching career in West Fargo in 2000 as the head JV coach. He held that position for four seasons, becoming the head varsity coach in the spring of 2004. The Packers were State Champions in 2012.

Coach Peterson has taught Physical Education at LE Berger Elementary in West Fargo for the past 16 years. He has two sons, Gavin and Carson.

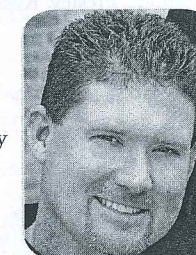


### JOEL SWANSON – SHEYENNE MUSTANGS

Coach Joel Swanson has been coaching baseball in the EDC since 1999, spending 14 as the Shanley Head Varsity Coach, and Coaching at Sheyenne since 2015. He has coached high school baseball since 1992 compiling over 350 career victories coaching in ND, MN and WI. Also in the FM area he has also coached High School hockey at Moorhead, Fargo South and West Fargo, as well as High School football at Moorhead, Shanley and Oak Grove.

Coach Swanson is an advocate for the game of baseball and those who play the game. He has spent 12 years as the baseball advisory representative for the NDHSCA, the state representative for the NBCA, a member of the ABCA, worked as a scout for the Tampa Bay Rays for 8 years and has been a key note speaker at National Baseball conventions in St. Louis and Louisville, and multiple local coaches conventions. He also runs a college scouting database for all players in the state, both class A and B. Joel was voted the 2005 and 2009 EDC baseball coach of the year, and was selected the 2009 North Dakota State Coach of the Year and was a national coach of the year finalist. Shanley qualified for 6 State Tournaments in his 14 seasons, playing in two championships and winning the state title in 2013. He returned to the championship game in 2016 with Sheyenne HS, in their first year as a varsity program. Coach Swanson was also selected the USA Today Coach of the year in 2016.

He is currently a teacher at West Fargo Cheney Middle School where he teaches Alternative Education. He is married to his beautiful wife Lisa, and has 5 wonderful, busy kids – Danielle, Ashley, Ben, Sean and Kendall and a grandson Easton.



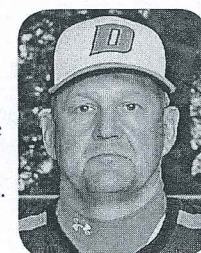
### DEWITT MACK MANDAN BRAVES

Dewitt Mack is in his 13th year as head coach of the Braves and 18th year in the Braves baseball program. Dewitt graduated with his bachelor's degree from the University of Mary in 1990 and earned his master's degree from NDSU in 1999. Dewitt coached youth baseball in Max and Underwood and legion baseball in Garrison before accepting the teaching position in Mandan. He continued coaching youth baseball in Mandan as his kids grew up and assumed the high school head coaching position in 2005. Dewitt and his wife, Pam, have three kids; Dwight, Shaylynn and Casey, who recently graduated from MHS.



### PETE DOBITZ DICKINSON MIDGETS

Pete Dobitz has been coaching the DHS baseball team since 2000 when the team had a runner-up finish at the state tourney. The following year he coached his team to the first ever state championship for Dickinson High. That same year he was honored as "Coach of the Year" in Class A High School Baseball. The Midgets have 5 State Championships since the NDHSAA included baseball as a sanctioned sport. The Midgets also have 2 runner-up showings at the State Tournament. Pete is a 1988 graduate of New England St. Mary's and received his undergraduate science degree from Dickinson State University while playing baseball for the Blue Hawks. Pete currently teaches science at Dickinson High School and assists with the wrestling program. Pete and his wife, Joyce, have 5 children: Michael (22) Sarah (18), Zachary (14), Beth (10), and Samuel (7). They lost another very special son (Michael's twin) during the 2000 baseball season.



### MARK VARRIANO GRAND FORKS RED RIVER RIDERS

Coach Mark Varriano is in his 18th year with the Red River program and 13th as head coach. This is the Riders 8th overall appearance at the state tournament and 6th under Varriano. Mark has taught physical education at Red River for 15 years and also coaches football and basketball. He is married to Rhonda and together they have three sons, Justin, Drew, and Joe.



*Coaches continued on next page.*



## KELLEY KESSLER JAMESTOWN BLUE JAYS

Kelley Kessler is in his fourth year as head baseball coach for the Blue Jays. He has coached baseball at the collegiate level at Williston State University as an assistant, and as an assistant at Williston High School for 10 years and Jamestown High School for four years. Kessler is a Mayville State University Comet Alumni who was a part of four NDCAC titles from 1993-96. Under Kessler, the Blue Jays have qualified for the 2013 and 2015 State Tournaments. Coach Kessler teaches Health and Physical Education at Jamestown Middle School.

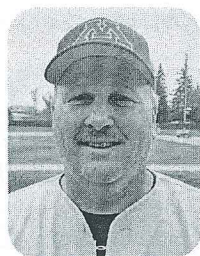


## PETE STENBERG MINOT MAGICIANS

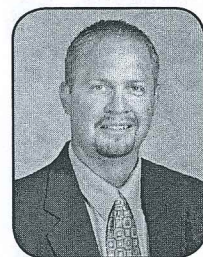
Pete Stenberg is in his twenty sixth season coaching baseball for the Minot High Magicians and in his twenty second year as head coach. Pete also coaches football and wrestling for Jim Hill Middle School. Stenbergs' teams have won titles in 1999 and 2005. He was chosen by his peers as coach of the year in 2004, 2005, and 2006.

Pete is a 1983 graduate of Minot High and participated in football, wrestling, and baseball. He also played baseball for the Minot Vistas American Legion Program. After graduation, he went on to school at NDSU and lettered four years for the Bison Baseball team. After graduation from NDSU, Pete started teaching Life Science at Jim Hill Middle School in Minot and just finishing his twenty fifth year.

Pete and his wife, Carol, have four children: Jason, Heather, Kaitlyn, and Kyler. Pete and Carol also have seven grandchildren: Easton, Jayda, Laikyn, Presley, Ryker, Breckyn, and Braxtyn.



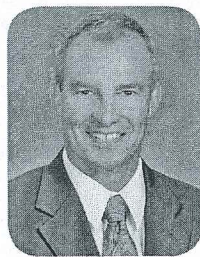
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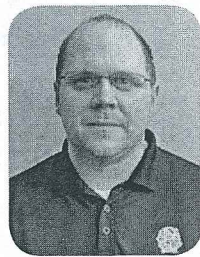
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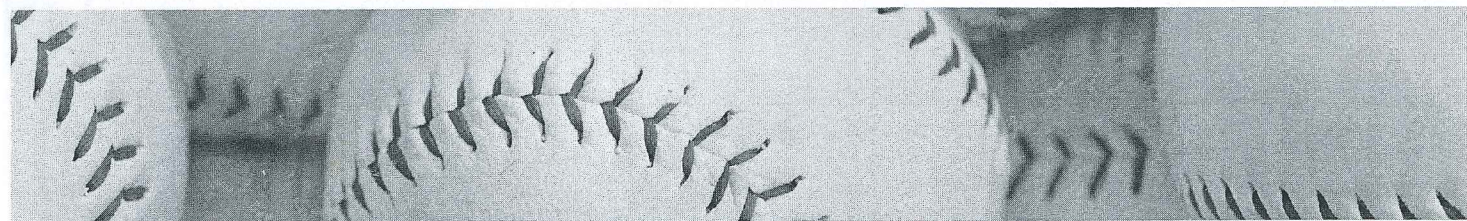
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## DICKINSON MIDGETS



**1st Row (L to R):** Kendall Jones, Colton Jones, Dawson Dutchak, Morgan Wardner, Treven Hopfauf, Lucas Jones

**2nd Row (L to R):** Asst. Coach Andrew Grafton, Sam England, Jaco Koskovich, Chase Ballard. Cameron Jorda, Ethan Dietz, Cody Maier, Asst. Coach Mason Schiff

**3rd Row (L to R):** Asst. Coach Jim Steckler, Tanner Ouellette, Eli Jung, Shawn Steffan, Head Coach Pete Dobitz, Sean Stoltz, Tristan Brunk, Christopher Zubke, Austin Boswell, Asst. Coach Stephen Greenwood.

First	Last	Grade	Position
1 Kendall	Jones	12	Right Field
2 Ethan	Dietz	11	Second Base
4 Chase	Ballard	12	Catcher
5 Treven	Hopfauf	12	Third Base
6 Austin	Boswell	12	Second Base
8 Cameron	Jorda	12	Third Base
10 Shawn	Stoltz	12	First Base
12 Shawn	Steffan	12	Center Field
15 Elijah	Jung	12	Right Field
19 Colton	Jones	11	Catcher
22 Christopher	Zubke	11	First Base
23 Tanner	Ouellette	12	Second Base
25 Lucas	Jones	12	Shortstop
26 Jacob	Koskovich	12	First Base
27 Morgan	Wardner	10	Left Field
28 Tristan	Brunk	11	Catcher
35 Cody	Maier	10	Shortstop
37 Dawson	Dutchak	11	Catcher

**Team Name Name:** Dickinson Midgets  
**Head Coach:** Pete Dobitz  
**Assistant Coaches:** Andrew Grafton  
 Stephen Greenwood  
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# FARGO DAVIES EAGLES



**Back (L to R):** Coach Soberg, Coach Krabbenhoft, Coach Gigstad, Matt Hagen, Coach Lingen, Coach McKenzie, Coach Anderson

**3rd Row (L to R):** Paige Becher (Manager), Zach Staller, Luke DeVries, Rylan Aamold, Jonathan Brooks, Alaina Lynk (Manager)

**2nd Row (L to R):** Eric Palm, Briar Sylvester, Beckett Gigstad (Bat Boy), Jimmy Reynolds, Matthew Thibert

**Front (L to R):** Cole Birch, Jackie Ross, Taylor Parrett, Jackson Roper, Matt Veit, Braeton Motschenbacher

**Not pictured:** Manager Madison Tindall, Cole Hage, Zach Kluves, Sam Moser

First	Last	Grade	Position
1	Matthew Thibert	12	Second Base Pitcher
2	Braeton Motschenbacher	10	Second Base Pitcher
3	Zachary Kluvers	9	Infield Catcher
4	Luke Devries	12	First Base Pitcher
5	Cole Birch	12	Catcher
7	Jonathan Brooks	11	Center Field Pitcher
8	James Reynolds	12	Shortstop Pitcher
9	Eric Palm	10	Center Field
10	Taylor Parrett	11	Right Field Pitcher
11	Zachary Staller	12	Third Base Pitcher
12	Rylan Aamold	11	First Base Pitcher
14	Matthew Hagen	11	Shortstop Pitcher
15	Matthew Veit	12	Left Field
18	Jackson Roper	11	Third Base Pitcher
20	Cole Hage	9	Infield Pitcher
21	Briar Sylvester	10	Catcher
23	Samuel Moser	9	Infield Pitcher
25	Jackie Ross	12	Left FieldPitcher

**School:** Fargo Davies High School  
**Team Name:** Eagles  
**Coach:** Hans Anderson  
Grant Gigstad  
Tanner Johnson  
Scott Krabbenhoft  
Matt Lingen  
Andrew Mckenzie  
Eric Soberg

**Managers:** Camden Barta  
Paige Becher  
Brooks Brown  
William Hendricks  
Alaina Lynk  
Madison Tindall


# RED RIVER ROUGHRIDERS



**Front Row:** Will Raymond, Dane Montgomery, Mason Salquist, Conner Richardson, Isaac Burger  
**Middle Row:** Joey Schindler, Luke LeMoine, Reed Turner, Jack Tannahill  
**Back Row:** Daniel Pierce, Matt Clausen, Coby Tweten, Reed Olson, Matt Laturnus  
**Not Pictured:** Parker Monette, Brody Sorenson, Peyton Lotysz

First	Last	Grade	Position
2	Dane Montgomery	9	Shortstop
4	Mason Salquist	11	Catcher Third Base
5	Reed Turner	12	Left Field Second Base
7	Luke LaMoine	12	Second BaseThird Base
8	Parker Monette	9	ShortstopPitcher
9	Brody Sorenson	9	Third BasePitcher
10	Reed Olson	12	Right Field
11	Joey Schindler	12	Pitcher Left Field
12	William Raymond	11	Second Base
13	Isaac Burger	11	Center Field Catcher
14	Jack Tannahill	12	Center Field
15	Matthew Laturnus	12	Right Field
16	Daniel Pierce	12	Pitcher Left Field
17	Simon Murphy	10	Pitcher Catcher
18	Peyton Lotysz	9	First BaseDesignated Hitter
19	Conner Richardson	11	PitcherRight Field
20	Matthew Clauson	12	PitcherThird Base
21	Coby Tweten	11	Right FieldFirst Base

**School:** Grand Forks Red River  
**Team Name:** Roughriders  
**Head Coach:** Mark Varriano  
**Assistant Coaches:** Nick Chine  
Dustin Frize  
Aaron Dunphy


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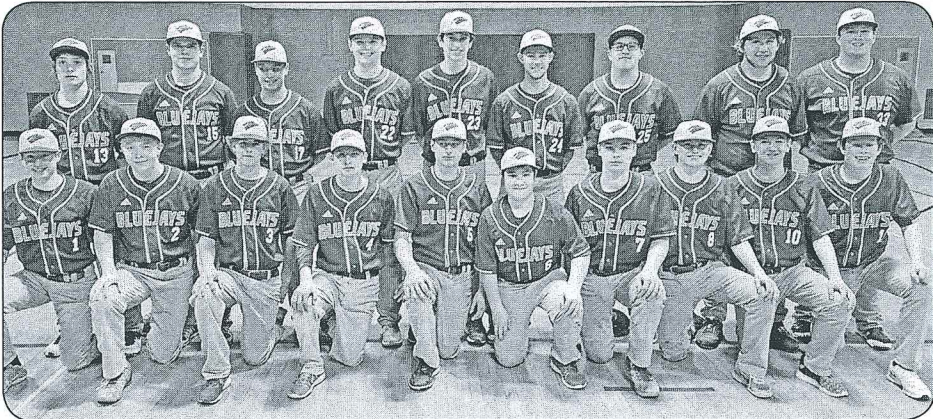
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# JAMESTOWN BLUE JAYS



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**Back Row (L to R):** Hunter Beckman, Carter Weiser, Isaac Mimong, Max Anderson, Aaron Kleven Andrew Nohrenberg, Haven Smith, Andrew Haugland, Nolan Kratz

First Last	Grade	Position
1 Dawson	Douty	10 Second Base Pitcher
2 Drew	Murray	11 Left Field Pitcher
3 Ben	Friebe	12 Catcher Pitcher
5 Ryder	Lunzman	10 Shortstop Pitcher
7 Thomas	Falk	9 Catcher Pitcher
10 Ty	Fischer	9 Shortstop Pitcher
11 Christopher	Erickson	9 Third Base
13 Hunter	Beckman	12 Third Base Pitcher
15 Carter	Weiser	12 Right Field Pitcher
33 Nolan	Kratz	12 First Base Pitcher

Jamestown  
Coach: Blue Jays  
Assistant Coaches: Kelley Kessler  
Justin Connell  
Wayne Hogan  
Todd Roth  
JR Wilson  
Manager: Mackenzie Clark

# MANDAN BRAVES



**Front Row (L to R):** Student Manger Kaylin Tomac, Student Manager Kaylee Leingang, Ricky Zander, Jackson Zittleman, Noah Gerhardt, Ian Longtin, Student Manager McKayla Swallow

**Middle Row (L to R):** Evan Arenz, Ty Leingang, Jaden Andresen, Mason Huntley, Camren Steckler, Casey Mack, Connor Seefeld, Quinn Halstengard

**Back Row (L to R):** Asst. Coach Reid Flaagen, Asst. Coach Rob Bird Horse, Alex Horner, Easton Miller, Asst. Coach Mark Andresen, Asst. Coach Jason Salz, Coach Dewitt Mack

First Last	Grade	Position
15/16 Blake	Arenz	9 Outfield
1 Easton	Andresen	10 Outfield
2 Evan	Arenz	10 Shortstop
3 Connor	Seefeld	10 Right Field
4 Richard	Zander	12 Left Field
5 Quinn	Halstengard	11 Third Base
6 Alexander	Horner	12 Third Base
7 Jackson	Zittleman	10 Catcher
8 Camren	Steckler	11 First Base
9 Casey	Mack	12 First Base
10 Ian	Longtin	11 Right Field
11 Easton	Miller	11 Second Base
12 Jaden	Andresen	12 Center Field
13 Cole	Schmidt	10 Infield
14 Ty	Leingang	12 Shortstop
17 Jacob	Weiland	10 Infield
20 Noah	Gerhardt	11 First Base
21 Mason	Huntley	12 Catcher

**School:** Mandan High School  
**Team Name:** Braves  
**Coach:** Dewitt Mack  
**Assistant Coaches:** Mark Andresen  
Robert Bird Horse  
Reid Flaagan  
Jason Salz  
**Managers:** Kailee Leingang  
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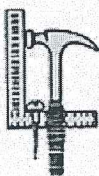


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Back Row: Carson Gillund, Lofton Klabunde, Alex Schimke, Tyler Nord, Easton Bennett, Payton Wagner, Broden Wunderlich

	First	Last	Grade	Position
1	Garrett	Larson	12	Second Base Pitcher
2	Kyler	Stenberg	10	Center Field Pitcher
4	Noah	Tate	12	Center Field
5	Creighton	Rudolph	11	CatcherPitcher
6	Alex	Schimke	10	Shortstop Pitcher
7	Lofton	Klabunde	11	First BasePitcher
8	Paxten	Wahlund	11	Right FieldLeft Field
9	Broden	Wunderlich	12	Left FieldPitcher
10	Tyler	Nord	12	Right Field
11	Zachary	Pedersen	11	Second BasePitcher
12	Derek	Nygaard	9	Second Base
13	Carson	Gillund	11	Outfield First Base
14	Payton	Wegner	12	Right Field
16	Carson	Tonini	11	Second BasePitcher
17	Dylan	Vigested	9	Catcher
18	Blake	Smith	10	Pitcher
21	Easton	Bennett	12	Third BasePitcher

School: Minot High School  
 Team Name: Magicians  
 Coach: Pete Stenberg  
 Assistant Coaches: Todd Larson  
 Manager: Craig Fricke  
 Nya Harris

# WEST FARGO PACKERS



Back Row: Parker Borg, Morgan Kapaun, Coach Chris Strand, Head Coach Brett Peterson, Coach Joe Kalash, Tristen Roehrich, Drake Flesche

Middle Row: Jacob Johnson, Jake Faircloth, Dustin Mertz, Ryan Bourassa, Andy Gravdahl, Garrett Levin

Front Row: Karla Kolakovic, Tanner Petersen, Tanner Zepeda, Quinton Vonesh, Isabelle Sinkler

	First	Last	Grade	Position
2	Andrew D	Gravdahl	11	Outfield
3	Tanner R	Petersen	12	Outfield Infield
4	Tanner M	Zepeda	11	Second Base, Third Base
5	Brayden	Jacobson	8	Infield Pitcher
6	Quinton J	Vonesh	11	Outfield Pitcher
7	Jacob W F	aircloth	11	Shortstop Pitcher
8	William N	Huber	11	Catcher
9	Dustin L	Mertz	9	Infield Pitcher
10	Tristen S	Roehrich	11	Infield Outfield
11	Jacob P	Johnson	12	Catcher
12	Morgan L	Kapaun	12	Outfield Pitcher
15	Parker T	Borg	12	Outfield First Base
20	Adison J	Krank	10	Pitcher First Base
21	Carter Z	Evenson	10	Pitcher First Base
22	Garrett J	Levin	11	Outfield Pitcher
27	Brandon J	Steinhauer	10	First Base Pitcher
32	Drake T	Flesche	12	Third Base First Base
34	Ryan C	Bourassa	11	First Base Pitcher

School: West Fargo High School  
 Team Name: West Fargo Packers  
 Head Coach: Brett Peterson

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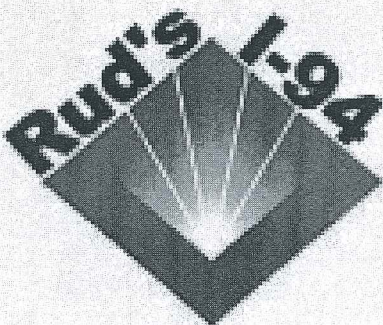
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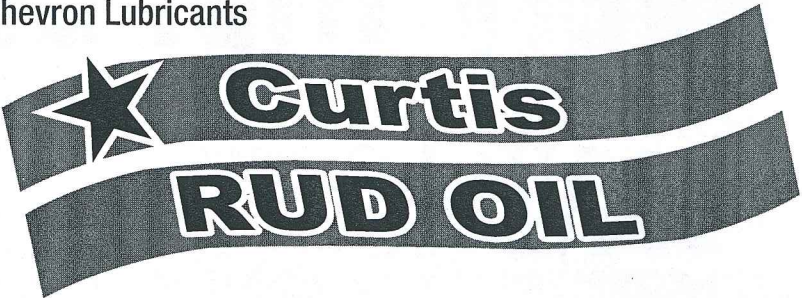


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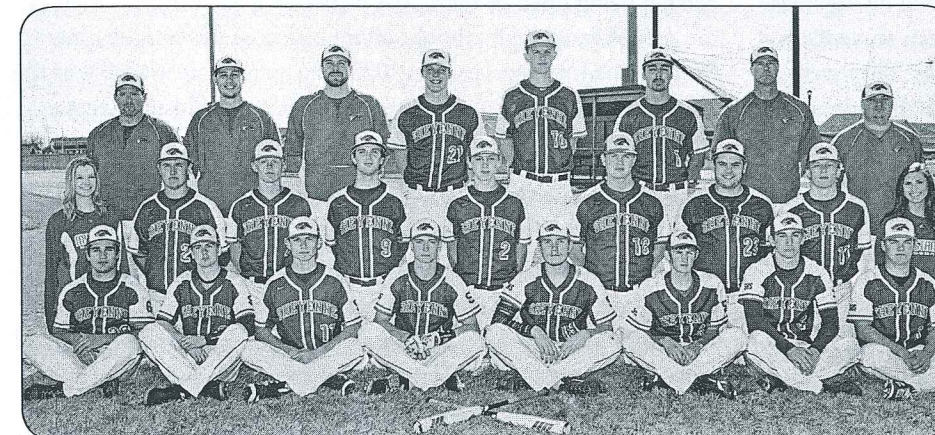
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**Middle Row (L to R):** Hannah Flaa – Manager, Chandler Buchert, Christian Kuntz, Matt Peterson, Ryan Reynolds, Tyler Hanson, Brady Beyl, Zach Bueling, Skylar Bergan – Manager

**Front Row (L to R):** Carter Dodd, Sam Wigginton, Caden Jastram, Alex Urlaub, Nate Hanson, Luke Wasem, Denver Blinn - not pictured Garrett Lund and Brock Hestdalen

**School:** West Fargo Sheyenne  
**Team Name:** Mustangs  
**Head Coach:** Pete Dobitz  
**Assistant Coaches:** Andrew Grafton, Stephen Greenwood, Mason Schiff, Jim Steckler

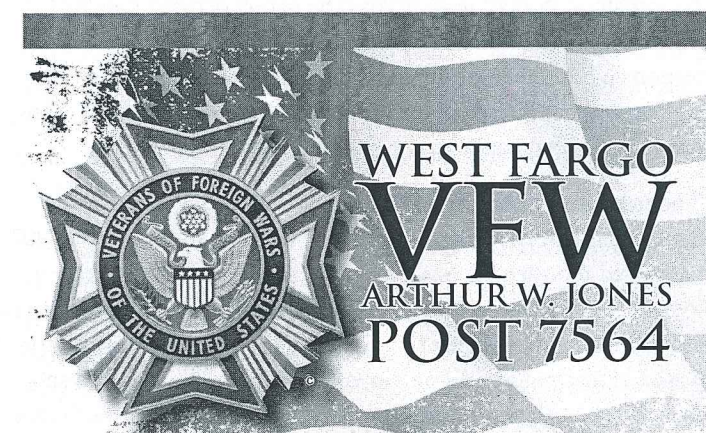


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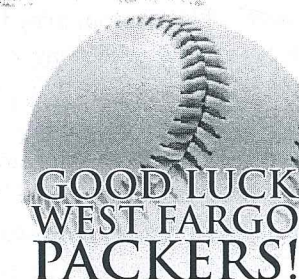
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# History of NDHSAA

Back in the 1800s, athletics were not a part of the secondary school program; rather, such activities were operated by organizations such as the YMCA. At the turn of the century, students in schools began forming student athletic associations. They were formed primarily for one purpose: recreation, with the primary motive "to have fun." Students selected their own players and managers and scheduled their own games. Teams were associated by name with their high schools, although schools assumed no responsibility for organizing and administering the program. However, being associated with schools by name caused some embarrassment when disputes arose. As the athletic competition between student athletic associations began to attract more attention, it was not long before adults with an athletic interest sought to play with students on these teams. Non-school persons with previous athletic interest volunteered to coach teams, and some of them played on teams they were coaching. Even after a few schools began to have teachers employed as coaches, some of them also competed. In fact, in our state of North Dakota, early teams often times consisted of students, coaches, bus drivers and janitors. It was not uncommon for boys or young men to enroll in the fall and then drop out of school after the football season was over. This they might do for six or seven years or more.

Eventually, school officials across the nation decided they had to either eliminate athletic contests between schools or exercise responsibility and authority for controlling them. The latter, of course, was considered more feasible and was later adopted. This was exactly what happened in North Dakota.

The need for uniformity among schools was recognized by Superintendent G.W. Hanna of Valley City and in the fall of 1907 he invited representatives of a few other schools to a meeting in Valley City to consider such. A second meeting, called by Principal H.L. Rockwood of Valley City for the adoption of a constitution was held in Grand Forks on January 1 and 2, 1908. Records show that 29 schools attended this meeting, however only four schools (Valley City, Jamestown, Grafton and Grand Forks) became charter members paying their dues (\$1.50) on January 2. Two others (Casselton and Hankinson) joined later that school year. Twenty schools belonged the following school year of 1908-09. Thereafter, there was a steady growth in membership with 80 schools belonging in 1921 and 103 out of a total 162 classified high schools in 1925. Superintendent G.W. Hanna served as president of the organization the first year and a half, and was succeeded by Superintendent A.G. Crane of Jamestown for the 1908-09 school term.

The original constitution opened membership to any high school in North Dakota, but in 1910 this was amended so as to allow membership only to classified high schools. This excluded the consolidated high schools (approximately one-third of the schools of the state) from membership. Consequently the consolidated

high schools formed a League of their own in 1921, with membership being open to third class classified high schools as well as the consolidated high schools. Membership in this League grew from 15 the first year to 56 in 1925. No records are available in the NDHSAA office as to membership in the Consolidated League after that date.

Since the Consolidated League was enrolling several third class classified high schools in their League, the High School League changed their constitution in 1925, allowing consolidated schools of equivalent rank to third class classified schools to petition for membership in the League. As a result, several third class classified schools belonged to the Consolidated League and some consolidated schools belonged to the High School League. Some schools enrolled in both Leagues, and some even participated in basketball elimination tournaments in both in the 1930s. In fact, in 1934, Svea, a consolidated school in Barnes County, was eliminated in district play in the Consolidated League Tourney and then entered Class B district play in the High School League going on to take second place in the State Class B Tournament. This prompted the High School League to adopt a rule restricting schools with membership in both Leagues to participation in tournaments for one League only.

A common misconception is that the League in its early days was strictly an athletic association. Such is not the case - in that the original constitution in 1908 lists the purpose of the League as "To control and further interests in athletic and literary contests." In 1917, this was amended to read, "To control and further interest of the inter-high school contests," and at that time music was added to the list of activities. To quote G.W. Hanna, "Theoretically the League could control all inter-high school competition, but in practice it began with basketball and football." The state contest in literary events, music, track and tennis, although under the direction of the Board of Control, were actually administered by the University of North Dakota in the early years. Track and tennis were administered by the University until 1937 and by the Board of Control beginning in 1938. State contests in literary events and music were discontinued by the University during World War II years, and were resumed again in 1949 with complete administration by the High School League. This led to a subsequent change in the name of the organization to the North Dakota High School Activities Association in 1955.

The League at the beginning was concerned mostly with the administration of the football and basketball programs. Unofficial state title football games were played beginning in 1910 with the first official game in 1919. These were discontinued by the League after the 1924 season. Unofficial title games were played off and on after that with the winner of the Class A East-West Conference game being recognized as state champion from 1938 to 1959.

Official Class A and B championship football play-offs have been in effect since 1975.

State champions have been determined in boys' basketball since 1914. Schools competed in one class until 1933, at which time A and B divisions were formed. In 1948, a Class C divisions made up of the smaller schools in the League was formed. For a period of three years, 1948 through 1950, four state champions in the High School League were crowned as well as one in the Consolidated League. From 1948 through 1963 the League maintained 3 divisions for basketball, but went back to the two class system in 1964, which prevails at the present time.

The Constitution of the old Consolidated League also listed as its purpose the controlling of inter-school declamation, debate, music and athletic contests of its members. However, again, the League limited itself mainly to the administration of basketball and conducted state tournaments in the same during some years of its existence. After the 1950 season, the Consolidated League merged with the High School League, becoming a part of the "C" division, "for a 5-year trial period." Actually, the merger has existed to the present time. It is rumored, though there is nothing in the records to verify the same, that there was a gentleman's agreement at the time of the merger, that the Class C division would never be abolished except upon a vote of the Class C schools themselves. However, when the vote was taken in 1963 to go back to the two class system, all member schools voted on the amendment.

Athletics for girls was more or less a hit or miss proposition until 1974. The original constitution adopted in 1908 contained the following provision: "In girls' basketball we agree that girls' rules shall govern schools involved." No reference of any sort concerning girls' basketball is made in the revised constitution of 1910, but in the 1917 revision reference is again made to the same as follows: "All games in girls' basketball played in this League shall be played under girls' rules." The following statement was added in 1925: "There shall be no state tournament for girls' teams." In an article concerning athletics for girls found in the 1933 Handbook, the following statement is made: "The Association recommends that girls do not participate in any form of interscholastic basketball or tournaments."

In 1936 a survey conducted by the League showed that 55 classified schools favored interscholastic basketball for girls with 33 participating in the same, while 75 were not in favor of interscholastic competition. Twenty-six favored holding tournaments for girls with 17 participating in such, while 99 were opposed. No reference is made to the sport in the revised Constitution and By-Laws of 1938, but the question and answer section which follows states again that, "the League has never ruled against girls' basketball and that students in schools holding such contests must meet the eligibility rules." The Consolidated League, however, besides authorizing girls' basketball held state tournaments during part of their existence. During the very first years, girls' teams used boys' rules, but they had no state tournament series. During the 1930s, they started using girls' rules and a tournament series was orga-

nized which continued in operation until 1950. This was continued after the merger of the two Leagues in the Class C division until 1960. Organized basketball for girls more or less disappeared from the picture until 1974 when state champions were named in both the Class A and Class B divisions.

Girls' sports started to take a more prominent position with the NDHSAA in the mid 1960's. Girls' golf, tennis and track were sponsored by the NDHSAA beginning in the spring of 1966 and gymnastics was added in 1968-69. Girls' basketball had a "re-birth" in the fall of 1973 when the NDHSAA sponsored combined district level competition. In the fall of 1974, girls' swimming and diving was first sponsored and Class A and B basketball separated and there was a state tournament for each class.

In the fall of 1979, Class A and B girls' cross-country was first sponsored. In the winter of 1982-83, Class A girls' volleyball was sponsored at the regional level and extended to the state tournament level in 1983-84. Class B volleyball was added through the state level in 1988-89. The last two additions were girls' soccer which was added in the spring of 1996 and girls' hockey added in 2002-03.

Some changes and additions were also made in boys' sports in the last 40 years, including the Class A football play-off plan that began in the fall of 1975. Boys' soccer was first sponsored in the fall of 1995 and sand greens golf was discontinued in 1996. The present four division football play-off series began in the fall of 1997 and Class A baseball was first sponsored in the spring of 2000.

Some historic changes which placed North Dakota on the cutting edge nationally included the three point line for boys' basketball, adopted in 1981-82 and for girls in the fall of 1983. Class A boys' basketball coaches tried the shot clock in 1995-96 and adopted its use in 1996-97.

Then in 2002-03 came the change that reverberated through the state and was motivated by a nationwide evolution: the switch of girls' volleyball to the fall and girls' basketball to the winter. It is also interesting to compare Association budgets from the early years to the present. In the first 3 years of the North Dakota High School League, the budget ranged from \$30 to \$45. In 1982-83 the budget was nearly a half million dollars while the 2007-08 budget is well over a million dollars.

In 2008-09 softball was added as a spring sport.

In 2010-11 there was a switch of seasons for Boys' B and Girls' B basketball with the B Boys' season beginning and completing before Girls' season.

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3. Show respect for the opponent at all times. Good Sportsmanship is the Golden Rule in action.
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2. Accept the decision of officials without showing inappropriate emotions.
3. Exhibit encouragement to players going in and coming out of a game/meet.
4. Avoid public display of criticism in front of participants or spectators.

1. Display qualities of Good Sportsmanship at all times.
2. Display respect for opponents at all times, including injured players.

EXAMPLE: Assisting an opponent who has fallen as opposed to stepping over him/her.

3. Avoid unsportsmanlike gestures or language.
- EXAMPLE: Taunting an opponent after a missed shot, etc.
4. Respect the judgment of game officials.

EXAMPLE: Protesting a call verbally and/or demonstratively.

5. Concentrate on being involved in the contest with as little regard for the spectators as possible.

EXAMPLE: Joining in with spectators in unsportsmanlike conduct.

6. Accept victory and/or defeat with pride and compassion.
- EXAMPLE:** Shaking hands with the opponents after the contest in a sportsmanlike manner.
7. Exhibit proper etiquette in pre-game ceremonies.

EXAMPLE: Display proper behavior during the national anthem, the introduction of players, etc.

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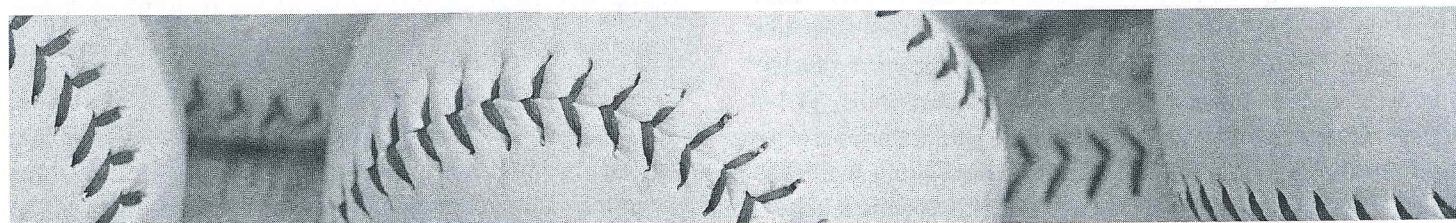
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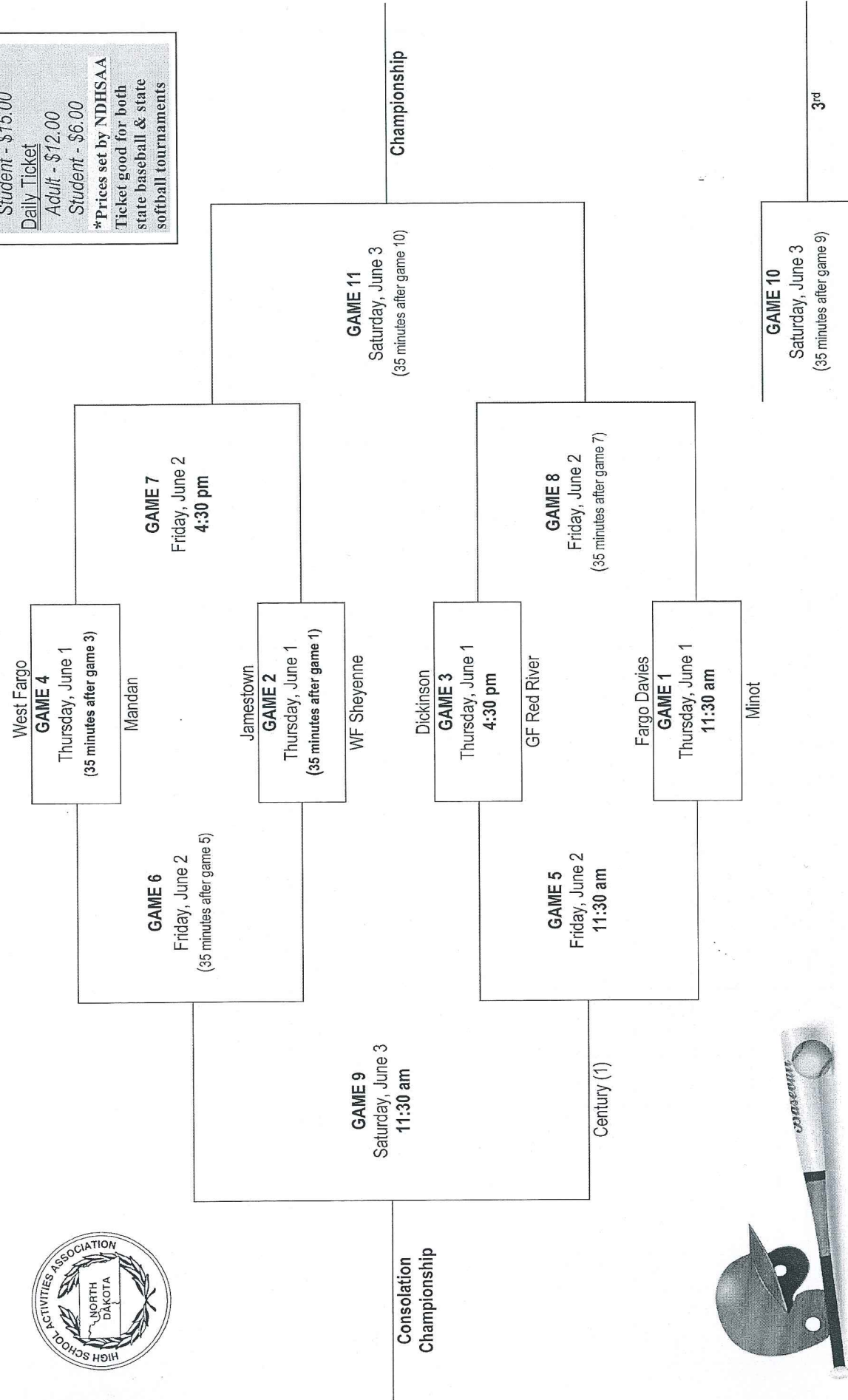
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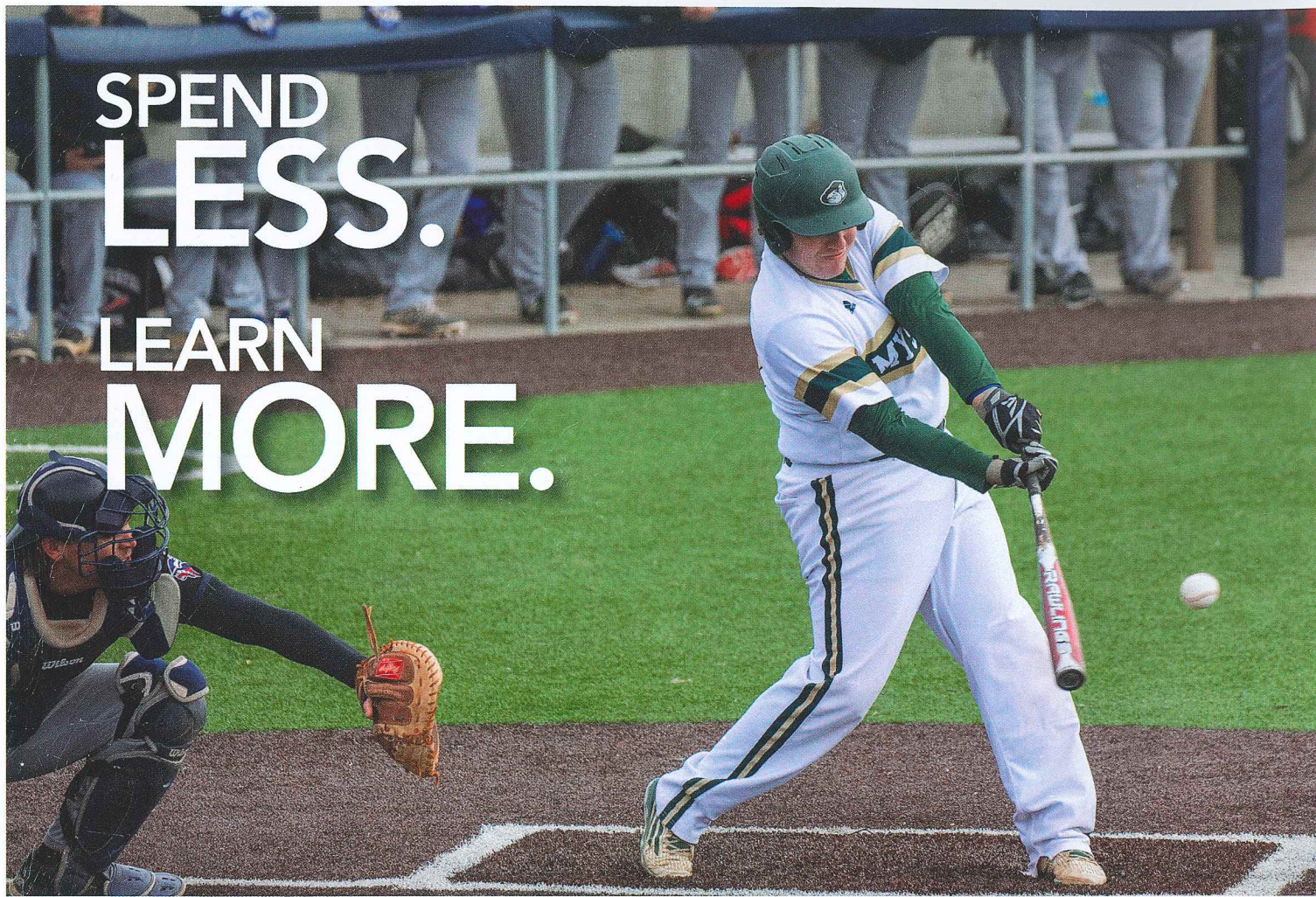
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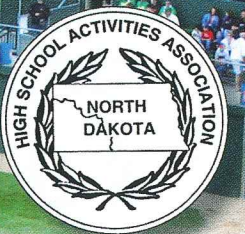
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