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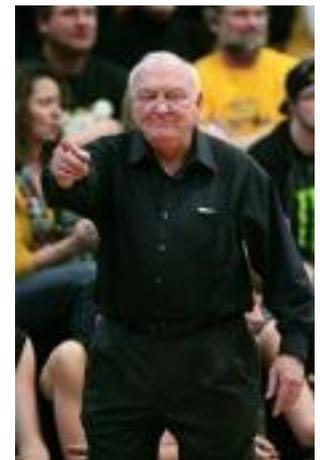
From Jerry Petitgoue, Executive Director

Newsletter Change:

Jake Erbenbraut has agreed to take over the WBCA newsletter. Any news or articles that you want to put into one of our four newsletters, please contact Coach Erbenbraut at: erbenbrautj@wilmoths.k12.wi.us

Sponsorships:

The WBCA is always looking for potential sponsors. If you know of a possible sponsor, please contact Jon Nedelcoff at: allincoach@yahoo.com or Jay Benish at: benishj@oasd.org



Shot Clock Update:

I want to let our membership know that we are working on getting the shot clock as soon as possible. What can you do as a coach to make this happen? Contact your AD and administration and convince them that we need their support. Over 29 states have some form of the shot clock in place. Let's make sure Wisconsin gets the shot clock soon. Please read our proposal on the shot clock in this newsletter.

Contact Days:

This is an issue to all coaches in the state. Read our proposal in the newsletter. I think it is a really good position.

Expanding the State Tournament:

How about 8 teams at state in all divisions? Is it a pipe dream? I don't think so! We are currently working on a proposal to give to the WIAA.

All State Banquet:

We had close to 400 people in attendance at the event. Brian Butch was the main speaker and we honored over 100+ All-State players, 31 Elite Academic All-State, Mr. & Miss Basketball, Legacy Award winners, the Jim Nedelcoff Catalytor for Success awards and the College Players of the Year awards.

All-Star Fundraising:

Coach, if you have a player in the all-star game, please help him/he reach their goal. The WBCA thanks you.

WBCA Proud:

This past school year the WBCA gave over \$110,000 to charities. They also gave over \$120,000 to coaches and players in the form of scholarships, awards and memorials. This happened because of you belonging to the #1 coaches' association in the nation.

Academic All-State:

FYI-We had 3,474 high school players earn academic all-state. We had 213 college players earn academic all-state, also. You have to have a 3.5 or better to receive this award.

Problems-Questions-Ideas:

Coaches, this is your organization. If you have a basketball issue, please contact me at:

jerrypetitgoue@icloud.com

Summer:

Coach, take it from someone who coached for over 60 years. Enjoy your summer with your family. Delegate some authority to your assistants and sit back and recharge your battery.

Upcoming All-Star Banquet and Games:

The girls' All-Star banquet will be held at the Convention Center of the Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells on Tuesday, June 25th at 6:30 p.m. The boys' all-star banquet will be held on June 26th at the same time and location. If you wish to attend, you may go to the website: www.wisbca.org and follow the events and then banquet to order tickets. The games for the girls will be held on June 26th at the JAG Fieldhouse in the Dells

beginning at 9:00 a.m. with D5 followed by D4, D3, D2 and D1. The boys' games will begin the next day, June 27th at the same venue and time schedule. Tickets for both days will be sold at the door.



President's Message from Randy Storlie

Congratulations to all the 2024 State tournament teams and the State Champions! What an accomplishment for you as a coach, but also for your players and communities. Enjoy the memories and moments that made this past season so special. I believe every season is exciting and special, so please enjoy them all and the connection you had with your team and coaches.

With the season complete it is time now to reflect back and how you plan to make next season even better. As coaches we will be getting summer activities put together and planning on how to bring out the best in our players for next year. Please remember to take some time for yourself and of course your family as well, as we were all in this crazy ride together.

Please remember a couple of important dates for the WBCA coming up, the All-Star games at the Just a Game Fieldhouse on June 26th for the girls and 27th for the boys. These are outstanding events and showcase the best in our state.

The WBCA is hard at work trying to make the game of basketball even better. We are currently working on numerous issues such as: 1) contact days, 2) expansion of the state tournament, 3) improving girl participants, 4) shot clock, and 5) halves vs. quarters. We will keep the membership informed as we work on these issues.

Enjoy the rest of the school year and I hope everyone will have a very enjoyable summer and a little time off. Thank you so much for all that you do for Wisconsin Basketball and making this organization a positive for the young people of this state.

Sincerely,

Randy Storlie
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Congratulations to this year's State Champions!

Boys Teams

Division 1 – Marquette

Division 2 – Wisconsin Lutheran

Division 3 – St. Thomas More

Division 4 – Mineral Point

Division 5 – Columbus Catholic

Girls Teams

Division 1 – Arrowhead

Division 2 – Pewaukee

Division 3 – Edgewood

Division 4 – Laconia

Division 5 – Albany/Monticello



Wisconsin Lutheran's Knueppel named Mr. Basketball

Lots of things stand out when you watch Kon Knueppel II of Wisconsin Lutheran High School play basketball.

His size and physical strength are definite assets as he is 6-feet, 6-inches and 215 pounds.

His silky smooth jump shot, passing ability and accuracy from the foul line also hit you immediately.

But what impresses people the most about Knueppel is his basketball instincts. Both of his parents, Kon Knueppel and Chari Nordgaard Knueppel, were standout players in high school and college, and Kon is proof positive the apple doesn't fall from the tree.

Knueppel almost always makes the right play for the Vikings, who take a 28-0 record into this weekend's WIAA State Tournament at the Kohl Center in Madison.

For his efforts, Knueppel was voted the recipient of the prestigious Mr. Basketball award, which will be presented to Kon and his family at the state tournament. The award is sponsored by the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association and Tricor Insurance.

"Coach (Ryan) Walz told me I won the award on Monday and it's pretty cool to get such an award," Knueppel said. "It really wasn't a specific goal of mine during the year, per say. But coach and I talked a lot about how well the team does really affects individual awards. That's been our focus. So win, and things like individual awards will take care of themselves."

Ranked among the top 20 players nationally, Knueppel committed to play college basketball at Duke last fall. Marquette and Wisconsin were among his finalists, but he felt most at home on the Duke campus.

Knueppel primarily played off the ball during his first three years of high school basketball, but Walz moved him to point guard this season after the graduation loss of Jamiir Allen.

"I've been playing a lot of point guard and that has worked out well because I wanted to get better at my ball handling," Knueppel said. "We didn't really have a true point guard after Jamiir graduated so I took over and it's worked out really well."

Knueppel brings impressive averages of 26.4 ppg, 8.8 rpg and 5.1 apg into the state tournament. He is shooting 59 percent from the field, 39 percent from outside the three-point arc (68 of 173) and 85 percent from the line.

Knueppel knew he'd have to become a big-time leader for this squad after the Vikings lost four starters to graduation. Together with Logan Rindfleisch, Grayson Young, Zavier Zens, Alex Greene, Isaiah Mellock and Trey Raabe, Knueppel and Co. have become one of the state's elite squads.

"Coach really loaded our schedule and when I looked at it at the beginning of the season, I thought we might drop a few," Knueppel said. "We had some tough games around Christmas against Saint Thomas More and De Pere, and then had to play Pewaukee twice. But our scouting has been great and we've executed our game plans very well."

Other finalists for the award included Dupree Fletcher Jr., of Carmen Northwest, Tim Franks of Homestead, Nick Janowski of Pewaukee, Jaquan Johnson of Pius XI Catholic and Amari McCottry of Saint Thomas More.

Neenah's Allie Ziebell named 2024 Ms. Basketball

Neenah's Allie Ziebell has been named the 2024 Ms. Basketball award-winner by the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA), sponsored by Dr. Dish.

Ziebell is a skilled and athletic guard who is a dominant scorer at all three levels. She can take her opponent off the dribble to get the hoop, pull up from mid-range, and is a

sharpshooter from behind the arc. Allie also has excellent court vision and is an outstanding teammate.

“It was a surreal feeling to be selected as Wisconsin's Ms. Basketball. I found out very unexpectedly before one of our games and I was so excited when I received the news from Coach Braunel,” explained Ziebell.

She said it means a lot to be named Ms. Basketball because you are recognized amongst so many great players.

Ziebell is averaging 26.8 points, 8.3 rebounds, 2.8 assists, and 1.7 steals per game with over 100 three-pointers made for coach Andy Braunel and the 23-5 Rockets. Allie is shooting 51.2 percent from the floor, 44.4 percent from three, and 88.8 percent from the free throw line.

Coach Braunel explained the impact that Allie has made on Neenah's program.

“Allie has helped elevate our program to new heights. Her level of play, her dedication, and focus on being a good teammate has been an example for all levels of our program. She has helped take girls basketball in our area to new heights.”

The 6-0 guard is fourth in girls' basketball state history with 2,744 points, along with over 550 rebounds, 330 assists, and 250 steals in her career. Allie has led the Rockets to an 86-20 record and the program's first WIAA State Tournament appearance since 2009.

Ziebell was named a McDonald's All-American, selected first-team WBCA All-State all four years, and is a two-time FVA Player of the Year.

Allie, who had a long list of scholarship offers, is the second player in girls' basketball state history to commit to UConn, joining 2023 Ms. Basketball KK Arnold (Germantown).

Coach Braunel added that Allie is such a humble and down-to-earth person.

“She cares deeply about her teammates, she cares about her program, and she truly wants all to succeed to do their best. It is this unique combination of her ultra-high-level skill blended with her humility and selflessness that makes her just an amazing player and person. We all have been blessed to have her in this program, she has made all of us better!”

The finalists for Ms. Basketball were Ziebell, Trista Fayta of Notre Dame, Gracie Grzesk of Notre Dame, Teagan Mallegni of McFarland, Kayl Petersen of Waupun, and Taylor Stremlow of Verona.

WBCA announces Boys All-State Team

Division 1 WBCA All-State

Bennett Basich, Sr., Arrowhead
Stevie Clark, Sr., Oshkosh North
Brady Corso, Sr., Neenah
Jack Daugherty, Sr., Brookfield Central
Chris Davis Jr., Jr., Sun Prairie West
Tim Franks, Sr., Homestead
Brooks Hinson, Jr., Marshfield
Will Hornseth, Sr., De Pere
Zach Kinziger, Jr., De Pere
Nolan Minessale, Sr., Marquette
Xzavion Mitchell, Jr., Oshkosh North
Manasseh Stackhouse, Sr., Kenosha Indian Trail

Honorable Mention

Termarion Brumby, Sr., Racine Case
Grant Chandonais, Jr., Stevens Point
Will Garlock, Sr., Middleton
Jace Gilbert, Sr., Arrowhead
Amare Hereford, Soph., Beloit Memorial
Lukas Hoffman, Sr., Oconomowoc
Ky'moni Hunt, Sr., Milwaukee Hamilton
Cooper Jespersen, Jr., Eau Claire Memorial
Cahlil Jones, Soph., Germantown
Aidan Konop, Sr., Sussex Hamilton
Joe LaChapell, Sr., Appleton East
Drew Murphy, Jr., Verona
Trevor Polite, Jr., Homestead
Will Stuckey, Sr., Kettle Moraine
Keegan Van Kauwenberg, Jr., Kaukauna
Gavin Van Wie, Sr., Sun Prairie East
Keaton Frisch, Sr., Waunakee

Division 2 WBCA All-State

Evan Anderson, Sr., Onalaska
Joey Butz, Sr., River Falls
Ty Fernholz, Sr., Stoughton
Davion Hannah, Jr., Nicolet
Tamarrein Henderson, Sr., West Salem
Nick Janowski, Sr., Pewaukee
Jaquan Johnson, Sr., Pius XI Catholic
Kon Knueppel, Sr., Wisconsin Lutheran
Adam Loberger, Sr., Fox Valley Lutheran
Michael McNabb Jr., Sr., Grafton
Kai Rogers, Jr., Wauwatosa West

Honorable Mention

Isaiah Allen, Sr., Milwaukee Lutheran
Sam Ferge, Sr., Fox Valley Lutheran
Ayden Goll, Sr., Milton
Reis Hidde, Sr., New Richmond
Tanner Hraby, Sr., Medford
Devin Isaj, Jr., Greendale
Keagen Jirschele, Sr., Mosinee
JT Kaul, Sr., Beaver Dam
Jack Lutz, Jr., Whitnall
Josh Manchester, Soph., Mount Horeb
Henry Meyer, Sr., La Crosse Central
Luka Momcilovic, Jr., Pewaukee
Zach Orr, Jr., Rice Lake
Logan Rindfleisch, Sr., Wisconsin Lutheran
Connor Roffers, Sr., Burlington
Sawyer Schipper, Sr., Stoughton
Kayden Schultz, Soph., Plymouth
James Seagreaves, Sr. Monroe
Logan Sipple, Jr., Shawano
Drew Tomashek, Sr., Ashwaubenon
Logan Zahour, Jr., Cedarburg

Boys All-State Teams Con't.

Division 3 WBCA All-State

Pierce Arenz, Sr., Kiel
Jamarion Batemon, Jr., Milwaukee
Academy of Science
AJ Bender, Jr., Lake Mills
Drew Daoust, Jr., Southern Door
Devin Brown, Jr., Milwaukee Academy of
Science
Dupree Fletcher Jr., Sr., Carmen Northwest
Sekou Konneh, Sr., Saint Thomas More
Lucas Ludlum, Sr., Platteville
Amari McCottry, Sr., Saint Thomas More
Cody Schmitz, Sr., Gale-Ettrick-
Trempealeau
Aaron Womack III, Jr., Dominican

Honorable Mention

Joseph Ascher, Sr., Wautoma
Riley Bechard, Sr., Waupaca
Tyler Brightman, Sr., Xavier
Donovan Davis, Frosh., Freedom
Cade Dirkse, Soph., Oostburg
Grady Geiger, Sr., Brillion
LaMont Hamilton, Soph., Racine St.
Catherine's
Sam Hans, Sr., Lake Country Lutheran
Aiden Hawkinson, Jr., Waupun
Henry Hoel, Sr., Stanley-Boyd
Zay Howard, Sr., Beloit Turner
Grant Manz, Sr., Kiel
Brock Massey, Sr., Mauston
Zach McClain, Sr., Platteville
Garrett Murphy, Sr., Kettle Moraine
Lutheran
Anthony Przybilla, Sr., Brookfield Academy
Keenan Rahn, Sr., Omro
Wes Rahn, Soph., Lakeside Lutheran
Domanyck Schwarzenberger, Sr., Bloomer
Tyshawn Teague-Johnson, Sr., Beloit
Turner
Dallas Wallin, Sr., Prescott
Isiah Woodland, Sr., Audubon Technology

Division 4 WBCA All-State

Logan Bahr, Sr., Luther
Walter Berns, Sr., Aquinas
LaTrevion Fenderson, Jr., The Prairie
School
Gavin Gores, Jr. Cumberland
Trent Grunewald, Jr., Howards Grove
Dooney Johnson, Frosh., Milwaukee
Juneau
Eric Kenesie, Sr., Kenosha St. Joseph
Tyson Lucas, Sr., Cameron
Will Murray, Sr., Darlington
Landon Thousand, Sr., Mineral Point
Grant Warren, Sr., Marathon

Honorable Mention

Broker Buschor, Soph., Darlington
Austin Hohn, Sr., Pardeeville
Ethan Hurlburt, Sr., Durand-Arkansaw
Caleb Johnson, Sr., Westby
Eli Lindsey, Jr., Mineral Point
Karter Meredith, Sr., Randolph
Cyle Steffl, Sr, Iowa-Grant
Jaxon Tilton, Sr., Unity
Tyler Underwood, Sr., Marathon
Bo Vollrath, Sr., Fall Creek
Noah Weier, Sr., Bonduel
Tegan Werner, Sr., Crivitz

Boys All-State Teams Con't.

Division 5 WBCA All-State

Ahmad Badwan, Sr., Salam
Jackson Blomberg, Sr., Rib Lake
Jimmitrius Davison, Sr., Abundant Life Christian
Kasey Helgeson, Sr., Barneveld
Noah Hemmersbach, Sr., Cashton
Blake Jakobi, Sr., Columbus Catholic
Isaiah Kastern, Sr., Solon Springs
Emmitt Konieczny, Sr., Columbus Catholic
TJ Lamb, Sr., Almond-Bancroft
Ayden Phillips, Jr., Almond-Bancroft
Ryan Popowich, Sr., Bruce
Heath Poppy, Sr., Shullsburg

Honorable Mention

Brynden Beck, Jr., Port Edwards
Channing Brown, Jr., Ithaca
Connor Butzler, Sr., Cashton
Brody Feldmann, Jr., Elkhart Lake
Gunnar Greuel, Sr., Winter
Ryer Indergand, Sr., Monticello
Cameron Lipinski, Jr., Cochrane-Fountain City
JJ McKellipis, Sr., Lourdes Academy
Matthew Nies, Sr., River Ridge
Jace Paul, Jr., Alma Center Lincoln
Shavlik Schultz, Sr., Fall River
Camden Schurk, Jr., Pacelli
Dylan Taggart, Sr., Solon Springs
Carter Uppena, Jr., Royall
Gavin Wunderlin, Sr., Potosi



WBCA announces Girls All-State Team

Division 1 WBCA All-State

Claire Bjorge, sr., De Pere
Reagan Briggs, sr., Verona
Makena Christian, jr., Hartford
Madison Fitzgibbon, jr., Homestead
Shae Kelley, sr., Brookfield East
Natalie Kussow, soph., Arrowhead
Kate McGinnis, jr., Kimberly
Taylor StremLOW, sr., Verona
Rainey Welson, jr., Hortonville
Mikayla Werner, sr., Hortonville
Alayna West, sr., Madison La Follette
Allie Ziebell, sr., Neenah

Honorable Mention

Ella Carstensen, sr., Hudson
Libby Gilmore, soph., Arrowhead
Ashley Grancorvitz, sr., Marshfield
Olivia Grothaus, sr., Hudson
Rowan Klesmit, soph., Neenah
Maya Kovacic, soph., Brookfield East
Lucy Leininger, sr., Germantown
Ellie McDermid, sr., Bay Port
Natalie Meaux, sr., Franklin
Claire Meudt, sr., Waunakee
Natalie Mueller, jr., Homestead
Delaney Nyenhuis, sr., Oregon
Jordyn Peed, sr., Eau Claire Memorial
Kallie Pepler, sr., Hortonville
Abby Robel, sr., Arrowhead
Presly Samz, soph., Arrowhead
Sam Schmitt, sr., Oregon
Paige Seckar, sr., Oshkosh West
Jada Seubert, frosh., Stevens Point
Ally Timm, sr., DSHA
Kloe Zentkowski, sr., Superior

Division 2 WBCA All-State

Sydney Cherney, sr., Reedsburg
Trista Fayta, sr., Notre Dame
Jordan Fenske, jr., Waukesha West
Gracie Grzesk, sr., Notre Dame
Giselle Janowski, soph., Pewaukee
Megan Johnson, jr., West Salem
Mikaia Litza, soph., Wauwatosa East
Teagan Mallegni, sr., McFarland
Leah Nordin, soph., Shawano
Kristina Ouimette, jr., Lakeland
Amy Terrian, jr., Pewaukee
Gabby Wilke, sr., Beaver Dam

Honorable Mention

Sarah Aleknavicius, sr., Grafton
Mary Berg, sr., Menomonie
Emma Close, soph., Wauwatosa East
Ava Dean, sr., McFarland
Nataya Donaldson, soph., Beaver Dam
Kenly Frey, jr., Wisconsin Lutheran
Sammie Hafferkamp, jr., Union Grove
Abbey Inda, sr., Monona Grove
Sammy Jacobson, sr., Menomonie
Kyrin Lile, soph., Elkhorn
Peyton Musial, jr., Notre Dame
Rylan Oberg, sr., DeForest
Kylie Pieper, soph., Pewaukee
Addison Pytleski, sr., GB Southwest
Adaline Sheplee, soph., Rice Lake
Eliana Sheplee, sr., Rice Lake
Anna Skemp, sr., Onalaska
Mary Stroebel, sr., Cedarburg
Anna Terrian, jr., Pewaukee
Faith Walder, jr., West De Pere
Sydney Whitehouse, sr., Notre Dame
Tess Wiczek, jr., Pius XI Catholic

Girls All State Teams Con't

Division 3 WBCA All-State

Lydia Aalsma, jr., Waupun
Samantha Davis, soph., Aquinas
Ameerah Grant, jr., Brown Deer
Ady Ketterhagen, soph., Oostburg
Makenzie Luehring, jr., Kettle Moraine Lutheran
Keona McGee, sr., Dominican
Anna Miller, frosh., Edgewood
Kayl Petersen, sr., Waupun
Erin Schauer, jr., Edgewood
Carsyn Stempa, sr., Xavier
Jenna Welsch, jr., Catholic Memorial

Honorable Mention

Ava Brandenburg, sr., Evansville
Olivia Conway, sr., Catholic Memorial
Kelsey Cooper, sr., St. Croix Falls
Taya Fernandez, sr., Edgewood
Gracie Gopalan, sr., Waupun
Molly Janke, sr., Ellsworth
Haley Jordt, jr., Baldwin-Woodville
Riley Ketterhagen, soph., Oostburg
Elle Krull, frosh., Xavier
Madeline Leffel, jr., Kettle Moraine Lutheran
Maddie Murphy, sr., Aquinas
Lila Posthuma, sr., Prescott
Tannah Radloff, jr., Prairie du Chien
Julia Rybacki, sr., Somerset
Rory Salvesen, soph., Wittenberg-Birnamwood
Ellie Schiszik, jr., Elk Mound
Addison Schlieve, jr., Sheboygan Falls
Nickie Shaw, sr., Edgerton
Alyssa Wirth, sr., Altoona
Brynn Wisse, sr., Oostburg
Taylor Wollin, sr., Lake Mills
Halle Vande Hey, sr., Xavier

Division 4 WBCA All-State

Abby Cole, sr., Winnebago Lutheran
Emily Cooper, sr., McDonell Central
Carly Drew, sr., Westfield
Anna Fronk, jr., Bangor
JJ Barnes, jr., The Prairie School
Tierney Madigan, jr., Laconia
Payton Morgan, jr., Laconia
Finley Morgan, frosh., Laconia
Audrey Norville, sr., St. Mary Catholic
Olivia Olson, jr., Cuba City
Lindsey Schadewalt, sr., New Glarus
Addy Verhagen, jr., Sheboygan Lutheran

Honorable Mention

Avalyn Albrecht, frosh. Poynette
Taylor Brigham, jr., Sheboygan Lutheran
Alecia Dahl, soph., Brodhead
Meg Decker, jr., The Prairie School
Toria Devoe, soph., Belleville
Aubrey Dorn, sr., McDonell Central
Kacy Eggebrecht, sr., Phillips
Jasmin Heuer, soph., Fall Creek
Ella Hischke, sr., Bonduel
Reese Jaramillo, sr., The Prairie School
Erin Knowles, sr., Boscobel
Aubrey Leonard, jr., Laconia
Jessica Morgan, jr., Lancaster
Lindsey Nell, sr., Winnebago Lutheran
Paris Opelt, sr., Neillsville
Ashley Rowe, soph., Cuba City
Haddie Showen, jr., Westfield
Brooke Stenklyft, jr., Cambridge
Halle Van Horn, sr., Random Lake
Emily Vogel, jr., St. Mary Catholic
Hailey Zernicke, sr., Bonduel

Girl's All-State Teams Con't.

Division 5 WBCA All-State

Hailee Bauer, jr., Lourdes Academy
Eva Brooks, jr., Lena
Kylie Butler, soph. Argyle/Pecatonica
Sophia Coker, sr., Athens
Izabel Durst, soph., Barneveld
Alana Durtschi, sr., Albany/Monticello
Marah Gruen, sr., Royall
Emmalee Mann, sr., Cochrane-Fountain City
Sarah Shaw, jr., Assumption
Mackenzie Tarman, sr., Turtle Lake
Jadeyn Zdroik, frosh., Pacelli

Honorable Mention

Vanessa Anderson, sr., Brookwood
Morgan Freeman, jr., Belmont
Coryn Fromm, sr., Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah
Reese Grimm, jr., Pittsville
Bronwyn Halverson, sr., Highland
Jazelle Hartwig, sr., Athens
Lauren Hetfeld, sr., Webster
Jorja Hofman, jr., Oakfield
Stella Hofman, sr., Oakfield
Abby Hollis, jr., Albany/Monticello
Isabella Holzer, sr., Cochrane-Fountain City
Jordyn Jaglinski, soph., Assumption
Lucia McGuinness, sr., Wayland Academy
Isabella Millan, sr., Florence
Mya Moldenhauer, sr., Randolph
Emily Montgomery, sr., South Shore
Emma Peterson, jr., Siren
Naomi Rikkola, jr., Sevastopol
Anna Schooley, jr., Assumption
Samantha Veldkamp, frosh., Sheboygan Christian
Brooke Wellnitz, frosh., Argyle/Pecatonica
Rylee Yaeger, sr., Wabeno/Laona

Team Service Scholarships

The WBCA each year awards \$1,000 dollar scholarships to deserving individuals who in some way meet the “Special Needs” qualifications and have helped their varsity basketball programs. This scholarship is to be used for further educational services and they were nominated by their coaches. This year’s five recipients are:

Winner	High School	Coach
Jack Westra	Central Wisconsin Christian	Coach Josh Gibbons
Elly Yentz	Howards Grove	Coach Heidi Georgeff
Josh Morrisard	Mt. Horeb	Coach Todd Nesheim
Nick Connors	Waterford Union	Coach Nick Roeglin
Samuel Stachura	Hartford Union	Coach Chris Smith

WBCA TEAM ACADEMIC ALL-STATE

BOYS

D1

- 1st Kettle Moraine – 3.722
- 2nd Kimberly – 3.720
- 3rd Brookfield East – 3.695

D2

- 1st Plymouth – 3.830
- 2nd Fox Valley Lutheran – 3.745
- 3rd Rhinelander – 3.741

D3

- 1st Omro – 3.804
- 2nd Elk Mound – 3.762
- 3rd Altoona – 3.749

D4

- 1st Saint Mary's Springs – 3.848
- 2nd Mineral Point – 3.810
- 3rd Edgar – 3.791

D5

- 1st Abundant Life – 3.805
- 2nd Potosi – 3.742
- 3rd Drummond – 3.707

GIRLS

D1

- 1st Neenah – 3.903
- 2nd Waunakee – 3.900
- 3rd Brookfield East – 3.899

D2

1st Pewaukee – 3.959
 2nd Lakeland – 3.880
 3rd Merrill – 3.879
 3rd Union Grove – 3.879

D3

1st Ripon – 3.986
 2nd Tomahawk – 3.971
 3rd Elk Mound – 3.959

D4

1st Darlington – 3.983
 2nd Laconia – 3.966
 3rd Westby – 3.937

D5

1st Wild Rose – 3.928
 2nd Sheboygan Christian – 3.914
 3rd Webster – 3.906
 3rd Valley Christian – 3.906

WBCA ELITE INDIVIDUAL ACADEMIC ALL-STATE

BOYS:

Pierce Arenz, Kiel
 Eli Blaine, Benton
 Easton Bobb, Chippewa Falls
 Ty Fernholz, Stoughton
 Tim Franks, Homestead
 Tyler Harris, Prairie du Chien
 Eric Kenesie, Kenosha St. Joseph
 Aidan Konop, Sussex Hamilton
 Brogan Korger, Osseo-Fairchild
 Brock Massey, Mauston
 Ryan Mathiason, Monroe
 Adam Skifton, Onalaska
 Teegan Streit, Edgar
 Landon Thousand, Mineral Point
 Drew Tomashek, Ashwaubenon
 Grant Warren, Marathon

GIRLS:

Sarah Aleknavicius, Grafton
 Erelyn Apel, Sauk Prairie
 Abby Cole, Winnebago Lutheran
 Kacy Eggebrecht, Phillips
 Molly Janke, Ellsworth
 Kiersten Jensen, Coleman
 Lucy Leininger, Germantown
 Isabella Millan, Florence
 Rylan Oberg, DeForest
 Alayna Panich, Wautoma
 Lindsey Schadewalt, New Glarus
 Sam Schmitt, Oregon
 Nora Skoraczewski, Drummond
 Taylor StremLOW, Verona
 Sarah Trzinski, Rosholt

WBCA College Awards

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Division 1 Men's Player of the Year: Tyler Kolek, Marquette

Division 2 Men's Player of the Year: Max Weisbrod, Northern Michigan

Division 3 Public Men's Player of the Year: Logan Pearson, UW-Platteville

Division 3 Private Men's Player of the Year: Ryan Broeckel, Wisconsin Lutheran College

Division 1 Men's Newcomer of the Year: Milan Momcilovic, Iowa State

Division 2 Men's Newcomer of the Year: Jamiir Allen, St. Cloud State
Division 3 Private Men's Newcomer of the Year: Connor Pytleski, St. Norbert
Division 3 Public Men's Newcomer of the Year: Josiah Butler, UW-Stevens Point

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Division 1 Women's Player of the Year: Serah Williams, Wisconsin
Division 2 Women's Player of the Year: Lexie Schneider, Appleton East HS, University of Mary
Division 3 Public Women's Player of the Year: Aleah Grundahl, DeForest HS, UW-Whitewater
Division 3 Private Women's Player of the Year: Ella Ten Pas, Oostburg HS, Ripon College
Division 1 Women's Newcomer of the Year: KK Arnold, Germantown HS, UConn
Division 2 Women's Newcomer of the Year: Chloe Van Zeeland, Kaukauna HS, UW-Parkside
Division 3 Public Women's Newcomer of the Year: Katie Waukau, West De Pere HS, UW-La Crosse
Division 3 Private Women's Newcomer of the Year: Jayden Nortier, Clinton HS, Edgewood College

2023-24 WBCA Coaching Achievement Award

BOYS

Division 1 - Chris Fischer-Marshfield

Division 2 - Nolan Weber-Stoughton

Division 3 - Steve Hicklin-Lake Mills

Division 4 - Duke Copp-Bonduel

Division 5 - Scot Wall-Cashton

GIRLS

Division 1 - Adam Wamsley-Oregon

Division 2 - Storm Harmon-Menomonie

Division 3 - Jack Hervert-Catholic Memorial

Division 4 - Jason Martzke-Fall Creek

Division 5 - Rick Peterson-Cochrane Fountain City

WBCA College & High School Coaches of the Year Award

Division 1 Men's Coach of the Year: **Shaka Smart Marquette**
Division 1 Women's Coach of the Year: **Kevin Borseth UW Green Bay**

Division 2 Women's Coach of the Year: **Jen Conely UW Parkside**
Division 2 Men's Coach of the Year: **No Nominee**

Division 3 Men's Coach of the Year: **Jeff Gard UW Platteville**
Division 3 Women's Coach of the Year: **Keri Carollo UW Whitewater**

Division 3 Private Men's Coach of the Year: **Aaron Aanonsen Wisconsin Lutheran College**
Division 3 Private Women's Coach of the Year: **Klay Kneuppel Wisconsin Lutheran College**

Junior College Men's Coach of the Year: **Randy Casey Milwaukee Area Technical College**
Junior College Women's Coach of the Year: **Brandon Siska Briggs & Stranton Junior College**

Men's High School Basketball Coach of the Year: **Dan Burreson Mineral Point High School**
Women's High School Basketball Coach of the Year: **Jim Reuter Pewaukee High School**



2024 WBCA Boys All-Star Game Rosters

D1 Black

Aidan Konop (Sussex Hamilton)
Brandon Tilley (Franklin)
Carson McCormick (Janesville Craig)
Carter Combs (SPASH)
Karter Seawright (Muskego)
MJ Stackhouse (Kenosha Indian Trail)
Stevie Clark (Oshkosh North)
Termarion Beumby (Racine Case)
Will Stuckey (Kettle Moraine)

Coaches

Matt Miota (Madison East)
Steve Maselter (Sun Prairie East)
Keith Stewart (Madison West)

D2 Black

Ayden Goll (Milton)
Connor Roffers (Burlington)
Isaiah Allen (Milwaukee Lutheran)
Jaquan Johnson (Milwaukee Pius)
Jayden Schoen (Ashwaubenon)
JT Kaul (Beaver Dam)
Logan Rindfleisch (Wisconsin Lutheran)
Nick Vorwald (Mount Horeb)
Owen Hake (Pewaukee)
Sawyer Schipper (Stoughton)
Tamarrein Henderson (West Salem)
Ty Fernholz (Stoughton)

Coaches

Alex Olson (Kettle Moraine)
Chris Siebert (Oregon)
Dan Zweifel (Monona Grove)

D1 White

Andrew Rocksvold (Eau Claire North)
Brady Corso (Neenah)
Charlie Wunderlich (Neenah)
Joey La Chapell (Appleton East)
Lukas Hoffman (Oconomowoc)
Thomas Meyers (Kimberly)
Will Hornseth (De Pere)
Zach Herrmann (Hartford)

Coaches

John Minnihan (D.C. Everest)
Jon Felch (D.C. Everest)
Oliver Drake (D.C. Everest)

D2 White

Drew Tomashek (Ashwaubenon)
Evan Anderson (Onalaska)
Henry Meyer (La Crosse Central)
Isaac Rozwadowski (Wausau East)
James Seagreaves (Monroe)
Joey Butz (River Falls)
Landen Thomer (Mosinee)
Michael McNabb (Grafton)
Reis Hidde (New Richmond)
Sam Sommerfeldt (Marinette)
Tanner Hraby (Medford)

Coaches

Daniel Garrett (Wausau East)
John Schurk (Pacelli)
Tyrreonte Wilson (Wausau East)

2024 WBCA Boys All-Star Game Rosters

D3 Black

Davyn Edge (Platteville)
Grant Manz (Kiel)
Jaiden Martin (Dominican)
Kaden Russo (Elk Mound)
Keaton Camastral (Altoona)
Keenan Rahn (Omro)
Pierce Arenz (Kiel)
Riley Bechard (Waupaca)
Sam Loehr (Winnebago Lutheran)
Sean Ladwig (Catholic Memorial)
Tyshawn Teague-Johnson (Beloit Turner)
Zay Howard (Beloit Turner)

Coaches

Jaron Bertelsen (Beloit Turner)
Ken Watkins (Beloit Turner)
Daryl Fox (Edgerton)

D4 Black

Austin Hohn (Pardeeville)
Bo Vollrath (Fall Creek)
Grant Warren (Marathon)
Karter Meredith (Randolph)
Landon Thousand (Mineral Point)
Nathan Gorman (Manawa)
Ryan Pavelec (Princeton/Green Lake)
Tegan Werner (Crivitz)
Trey Keller (Kohler)
Tyler Underwood (Marathon)
Walter Berns (Aquinas)
William Murray (Darlington)

Coaches

Josh Fischer (Randolph)
Nick Krull (Deerfield)
Tyler Fischer (Randolph)

D3 White

Ben Vasold (Watertown Luther Prep)
Brock Massey (Mauston)
Carson Armstrong (Wautoma)
Cody Schmitz (G-E-T)
Derrick Johnson (Dominican)
Domanyck Schwarzenberger (Bloomer)
Dylan Leccia (Somerset)
Henry Hoel (Stanley-Boyd)
Joseph Ascher (Wautoma)
Markel Webb (Dominican)
Ryan Schoeni (Omro)
Zach McClain (Platteville)

Coaches

Craig Panich (Wautoma)
Gavino Morales (Wautoma)
Kyle Thompson (Wautoma)

D4 White

Bennett Schmidt (Shiocton)
Brayden Lisowski (Whitehall)
Brett Hackbart (Poynette)
Caden Weinfurter (Auburndale)
Caleb Johnson (Westby)
Eric Kenesie (Kenosha St. Joe's)
Ethan Hurlburt (Durand-Arkansaw)
Fisher MacKenzie (St. Mary Catholic)
Jaxon Tilton (Unity)
Logan Bahr (Luther)
Presley Byom (Melrose-Mindoro)
Tyson Lucas (Cameron)

Coaches

Alex Eid (Whitehall)
Jordan Petersen (Altoona)
Tyler Petersen (Whitehall)

2024 WBCA Boys All-Star Game Rosters

D5 Black

Braden Sitte (Gibraltar)
Camden Dvorachek (Reedsville)
Connor Butzler (Cashton)
Emmitt Konieczny (Columbus Catholic)
Gavin Wunderlin (Potosi)
Heath Poppy (Shullsburg)
Isaiah Stokes (Hillsboro)
Isaiah Kastern (Solon Springs)
JD Davison (Abundant Life)
JJ Berendes (Shullsburg)
Landon Pedretti (De Soto)
Matthew Nies (River Ridge)
Noah Hemmersbach (Cashton)

Coaches

Brandon Ihrcke (Cashton)
Garrett Redman (De Soto)
Scot Wall (Cashton)

D5 White

Aydin Franti (Gillett)
Ben Matczak (Gillett)
Blake Jakobi (Columbus Catholic)
Charlie Moore (Columbus Catholic)
Gunnar Greul (Winter)
Jackson Blomberg (Rib Lake)
JJ McKellips (Lourdes Academy)
Kasey Helgeson (Barneveld)
Ryan Popowich (Bruce)
Ryer Indergand (Monticello)
Shavlik Schultz (Fall River)
Tanner Lamb (Almond-Bancroft)
William Kelley (Florence)

Coaches

Brett Baehman (Lourdes Academy)
Bryan Bomberg (Florence)
Russel Young (Gillett)

2024 WBCA Girls All-Star Game Rosters

D1 North

Ashley Grancorvitz (Marshfield)
Ava Hanson (Oshkosh North)
Ayana Bousum (Marshfield)
Ella Carstensen (Hudson)
Eva Peterson (Superior)
Jordyn Peed (Eau Claire Memorial)
Katelyn Odem (Homestead)
Kloe Zentkowski (Superior)
Lucy Leininger (Germantown)
Paige Seckar (Oshkosh West)
Sophie Hafeman (De Pere)

Coaches

Dave Lepisto (Kimberly)
Jessica Vadnais (Hudson)
Vinny Daniels (Hartford)

D1 South

Abby Robel (Arrowhead)
Adrianna Gonzalez (Kenosha Indian Trail)
Alayna West (Madison La Follette)
Claire Meudt (Waunakee)
Da'Jianna Hayes (Madison La Follette)
Delaney Nyenhuis (Oregon)
Lauren Capstran (Franklin)
Maia Ellis (Verona)
Noelle Anthon (Oconomowoc)
Reagan Briggs (Verona)
Sam Schmitt (Oregon)

Coaches

Alysha Justice (Madison East)
Anthony Ward (Madison Memorial)
Marques Flowers (Madison Memorial)

D2 North

Addison Pytleski (Green Bay Southwest)
Ava Fahrenholz (Slinger)
Avery Poppe (Hayward)
Mary Kowitz (New Berlin Eisenhower)
Mary Berg (Menomonie)
Mia Ott (Merrill)
Sammy Jacobsen (Menomonie)
Sarah Aleknavicius (Grafton)
Savannah James (Grafton)
Sydney Whitehouse (Notre Dame)

Coaches

Ian Sticht (River Falls)
Mackenzie Stutzman (Menomonie)
Storm Harmon (Menomonie)

D2 South

Aaliyah Hamilton (La Crosse Logan)
Abbey Inda (Monona Grove)
Anna Skemp (Onalaska)
Aubrey Smith (Monona Grove)
Brooklyn Tortorice (Monona Grove)
Hailey Testolin (McFarland)
Hanna Moesch (Martin Luther)
Holly Morehart (Milton)
Karsyn Nelson (Monona Grove)
Rylan Oberg (DeForest)
Sidney Fillbach (Onalaska)
Tia Justice (Monona Grove)

Coaches

Matt Hounsell (McFarland)
Jossie Peterson (McFarland)
Sara Mallegni (McFarland)

2024 WBCA Girls All-Star Game Rosters

D3 North

Alayna Panich (Wautoma)
Alyssa Wirth (Altoona)
Julia Rybacki (Somerset)
Julia Koch (Omro)
Kathryn Raddatz (Oconto Falls)
Kelsey Cooper (St. Croix Falls)
Lucy Belisle (St. Croix Falls)
Maddie Murphy (Aquinas)
Molly Janke (Ellsworth)
Scout Spadoni (Amherst)
Shayna Wick (Northwestern)

Coaches

Jerry Reinke (Bonduel)
Mike Balliett (Wittenberg-Birnamwood)
Nick Mechelke (Wittenberg-Birnamwood)

D3 South

Amanda Heusterberg (Shoreland Lutheran)
Ava Brandenburg (Evansville)
Emily Wollin (Lake Mills)
Gracie Gopalan (Waupun)
Karsyn Bauman (Ripon)
Keona McGee (Dominican)
Lauren Stettbacher (North Fond du Lac)
Marley Busch (Dodgeville)
Olivia Conway (Catholic Memorial)
Taylor Wollin (Lake Mills)
Taylor Schwalenberg (Kettle Moraine Lutheran)

Coaches

Jason Walz (Kettle Moraine Lutheran)
Tim Aalsma (Waupun)

D4 North

Ashley Chilson (Regis)
Aubrey Dorn (McDonell Catholic)
Audrey Norville (St. Mary Catholic)
Ava Highman (Regis)
Ella Hischke (Bonduel)
Emily Cooper (McDonell Catholic)
Erin Pulice (Green Lake)
Faith Pape (Sheboygan Lutheran)
Hailey Zernicke (Bonduel)
Kacy Eggebrecht (Phillips)
McKenna Shipman (Colfax)
Paris Opelt (Neillsville)

Coaches

DJ Cooper (McDonell Catholic)
Don Cooper (McDonell Catholic)
Jordan Kongshaug (Elk Mound)

D4 South

Abby Cole (Winnebago Lutheran)
Addison Yates (Brodhead)
Aubrey McCarthy (Darlington)
Ava Collier-White (Prairie School)
Belle Watters (Mineral Point)
Braycee Nelson (Fennimore)
Carly Drew (Westfield)
Erin Knowles (Boscobel)
Lindsey Schadewalt (New Glarus)
Lindsey Nell (Winnebago Lutheran)
Reese Jaramillo (Prairie School)
Saveea Freeland (Cambridge)

Coaches

Brad Solberg (Darlington)
Courtney Feller (Lancaster)
Kevin Parman (New Glarus)

2024 WBCA Girls All-Star Game Rosters

D5 North

Isabel Golembiewski (Northwood)
Isabella Millan (Florence)
Jersey Polencheck (Butternut)
Lauren Hetfeld (Webster)
Mackenzie Tarman (Turtle Lake)
Madolyn Haffner (Gresham)
Mara Ducklow (Spring Valley)
Morgan Berg (New Auburn)
Nora Eggert (Clear Lake)
Paige Richards (Prairie Farm)
Rylee Yaeger (Laona-Wabeno)
Sophia Coker (Athens)

Coaches

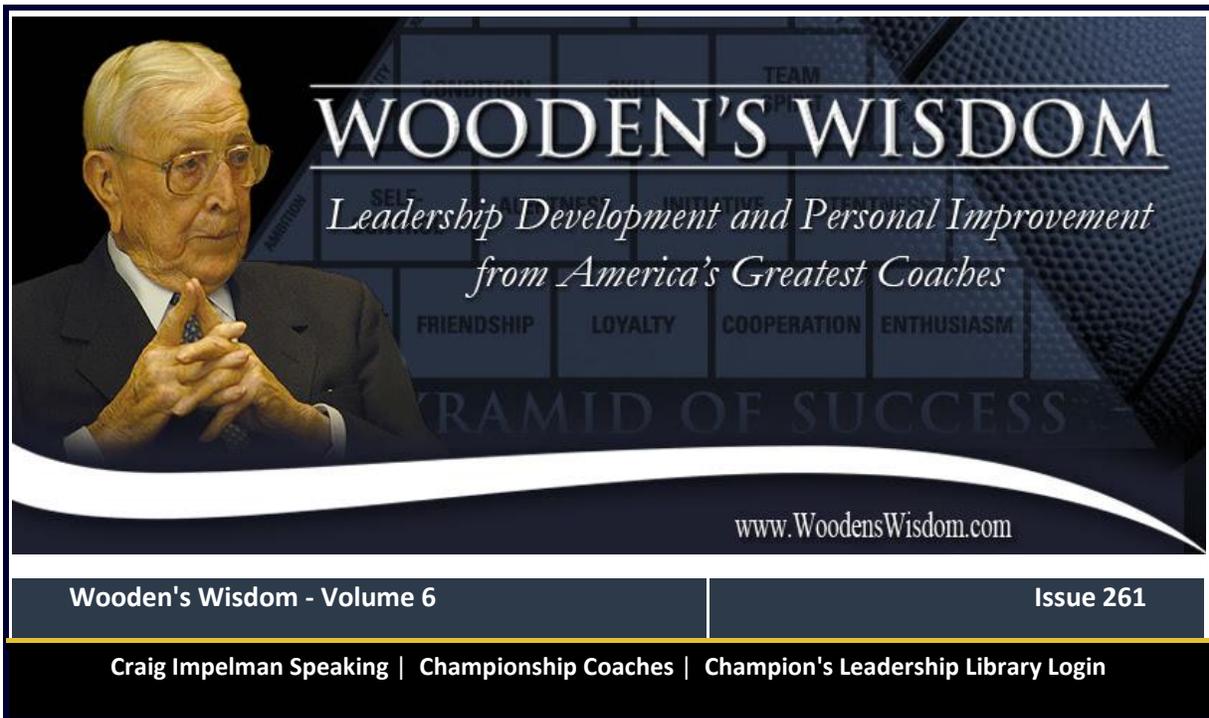
Chad Welch (Green Bay NEW Lutheran)
Dan Tjernagel (Sturgeon Bay)
Nicole Natzke (Green Bay NEW Lutheran)

D5 South

Alana Durtschi (Albany)
Anna Tisch (Pecatonica)
Bronwyn Halverson (Highland)
Charley Mullen (Lourdes Academy)
Coryn Fromm (Elkhart Lake-Glenbeulah)
Emmalee Mann (Cochrane-Fountain City)
Mallory Novy (Reedsville)
Marah Gruen (Royall)
Mya Moldenhauer (Randolph)
Olivia Fietz (Fall River)
Vanessa Anderson (Brookwood)

Coaches

Brad Moldenhauer (Randolph)
Chad Kaufman (Randolph)
James Doolittle (Fall River)



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PLAYER SELECTION

Three of the five items Coach Wooden described in his book *Practical Modern Basketball* as determining factors in selecting a squad were:

1. *Determining your best players*
2. *Determining the proper position for each player.*
3. *Determining the correct combination to make up your strongest unit.*

This criterion could be used in assembling any team in business or sports. Coach Wooden reminds us to: *Consider team spirit and morale. The five best players seldom make the best team.*

This idea was one of the key themes of Jim Collins's bestselling business book: *Good to Great*, where he cautions us to make sure we get the right people on the right seat on the bus.

Coach also advised it was important to:

1. *Be completely impartial and give every player the chance that he deserves and the opportunity that he earns.*
2. *Be constantly alert for the players who play well under pressure and those who cannot take pressure.*

Coach said he wanted players who had: *Industriousness, Enthusiasm, Cooperation, Team Attitude, Self-Control and Alertness.*

Coach Wooden described his decision-making process as follows:

Although the final decision for selecting the squad must be the responsibility of the coach and the coach alone, he should use every possible method to aid him in making the correct decision. Do not be reluctant or

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COACH'S FAVORITE POETRY AND PROSE

The Bridge Builder

An old man going a lone highway,
Came, at the evening cold and gray,
To a chasm vast and deep and wide.
Through which was flowing a sullen
tide

The old man crossed in the twilight
dim,
The sullen stream had no fear for him;
But he turned when safe on the other

too proud to seek helpful information from every available source.

One of the sources Coach used was *keeping complete statistical charts of every scrimmage and analyzing them in a comparative manner.*

In addition to tracking points, rebounds, assists and many other normal basketball statistics, Coach Wooden statistically tracked occurrences of some rather unusual items. Coach statistically tracked the number of times that a player:

1. *Failed to acknowledge a scoring pass from teammate.*
2. *Showed displeasure at a teammate.*
3. *Showed displeasure at a coach.*
4. *Showed displeasure at an official.*
5. *Sulked or got his head down.*
6. *Lost his temper or self-control in any way.*
7. *Failed to hustle on either offense or defense.*
8. *Appeared to be "cocky", "fancy" or "grandstanding".*
9. *Failed to see a teammate open for a pass.*
10. *Failed to keep his hands up around the board.*
11. *Forced a shot or dribble.*
12. *Failed to keep his man busy on the weak side.*
13. *Failed to get proper rebound balance after a shot.*

In addition to general character traits, Coach was able to identify very specifically the personal behaviors he wanted on the court and quantify them statistically.

If we can identify and communicate the specific behaviors we expect out of others as Coach Wooden did, instead of just talking about general character traits, we will get better results.

This is also a great thing to do when we coach ourselves.

side
And built a bridge to span the tide.
"Old man," said a fellow pilgrim near,
"You are wasting your strength with
building here;
Your journey will end with the ending
day,
You never again will pass this way;
You've crossed the chasm, deep and
wide,
Why build this bridge at evening
tide?"

The builder lifted his old gray head;
"Good friend, in the path I have
come," he said,
"There followed after me to-day
A youth whose feet must pass this
way.
This chasm that has been as naught to
me
To that fair-haired youth may a pitfall
be;
He, too, must cross in the twilight dim;
Good friend, I am building this bridge
for him!"

Will Allen Dromgoole

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The Missing C in Basketball Officiating

By Terry Erickson

Member of the Executive Board of the WBCA

Assignor Viterbo Men's and Women's Basketball Officials

Perhaps more than any other sport, basketball gives its officials the power to shape the tone and the tenor of a game. This seems especially true in key matchups during the regular season and into the post season, where a powder keg of emotions can explode on any possession.

Coaches and players often complain about a lack of consistency, an unevenness in the application of the rules, and a lack of coordination and communication among officials. Quite often, teams are required to adjust their style of play numerous times during the season with crews of officials calling the game with an inconsistent application of the rules and a lack of common sense. That leads to a high level of frustration from coaches, players and fans.

Consistency is undoubtedly the favorite catchphrase of coaches at all levels. It is also the most common complaint leveled at referees by players, fans, observers, and by other officials. In order for officiating to be a rewarding experience, we have the duty to ourselves and to others to strive for total consistency in the application of the rules, interpretations and points of emphasis.

Young officials seem to have more difficulty with consistency than any other quality, mainly because they lack the experience to realize when their decisions are consistent. Everyone has some difficulty in this area, but the great officials are unrelenting in their judgment. They see and call a game better than their colleagues by making the same call on the same kind of play in the first minute of the game, or when the score is tied with 1 minute remaining in the game.

Players, coaches, and spectators know exactly what to expect because of reliability and consistency throughout the game. Good officials make sure that their interpretations and decisions make absolute sense in each situation, understanding both the spirit and the intent of the rules. That stability comes from a clear state of mind in a game often filled with heightened situational awareness.

As you prepare for the 2024-25 season, make crew consistency a point of emphasis in your Basketball Association meetings and in your pre-game discussions. Then, as you de-brief after the game, be completely honest with your partners as you grade your performance in an effort to look for areas of improvement in your level of consistency.

5 Main Issues Facing Wisconsin High School Basketball

By Todd Fergot (WBCA Representative to the WIAA)

In discussion with the WIAA, these areas are being addressed:

1. **Shot Clock**-We discussed the implementation of the shot clock and proposed trying to implement a pilot program for the upcoming season. However, with the guidance of the WIAA we adjusted our proposal and are now looking at trying to get implementation in place for schools that have it installed for the 2025-26 Season with the goal of full implementation by the 2026-27 Season. In order for our proposal to go into effect it will need to pass the following WIAA Committees....the Coaches Advisory Committee, the Sports Advisory Committee, the Advisory Council and then the Board of Control. It then still would need to pass a full membership vote at the WIAA Annual Meeting the next spring for it to go into effect.

2. **Contact Days**-The WIAA recently established an AD HOC Committee that had its first meeting on Thursday, April 18th. The committee will study several items such as season length, maximum number of games, and Summer Contact Days. The WBCA proposal is to have Open Contact from June 1st until July 31st, with a closed period the week of the Fourth of July. This proposal helps simplify/clarify what is currently allowable and it is very similar to what Minnesota currently has in place and feedback from Minnesota coaches has been extremely positive.

3. **Girls Basketball Participation**-The WBCA is working with the WIAA in trying to increase the number of girls participating in high school basketball. The decrease in girls participating in high school basketball is a complex problem that has a multitude of causes that vary depending on your school and region of the state. However, the WBCA will continue to look for ways to positively impact participant numbers in the months ahead.

4. **State Tournament Expansion**-The WBCA is working with the WIAA Coaches Advisory Committee in creating options for the expansion of the State Tournament. As part of this process, we are collecting input from WBCA members from all 5 Divisions and each region of the state. Minnesota which currently has 404 schools has 32 teams that participate in their Girls and Boys State Tournament. Iowa has 352 schools and their Girls have 5 Divisions with 8 teams that participate in the Iowa State tournament and the Boys have 4 Divisions of 8 teams that make it to State. Wisconsin currently has 493 schools and only has 20 teams that qualify for the State Tournament. The WBCA feels strongly that state tournament expansion is long overdue and the 2023 WBCA survey listed it as one of the members top priorities.

5. **Computerized Seeding**-The WIAA Coaches Advisory Committee passed several proposals including adjustments to computerized seeding that will address several issues such as dealing with forfeits, teams that played head-to-head, and out of state opponents. The committee feels that the changes that were made will greatly improve the system that was in place. The proposed changes will still need to make it through the WIAA Sports Advisory Committee, the Advisory Council and the Board of Control before they can go into effect.

Percentage of high school students who participate in sports in each state.

Rick Suter

April 18, 2024, 11:27 am ET

Participation in high school sports had declined in recent years, with much of the blame cast toward the pandemic's grip that suffocated the normalcy in American culture.

But the numbers from 2023 are showing positive trends, a rise that has not been seen in high school sports since 1995.

According to a study **conducted by Lending Tree**, the numbers obtained from the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) show that nearly 6 million students participated in sports during the 2022-23 calendar, a 3.1% increase from 2021-22.

And while that overall bump is lower than the record-high of 2017-18, where some 6.1 million students played high school sports, the increase is a welcomed progression in the grand scheme of the "New Normal."

However, the most interesting data from the study goes beyond the macro and spotlights a micro-focused breakdown of each state's participation numbers, which includes boys' and girls' percentages toward the overall total.

According to the article, Wisconsin ranks #16 in the nation with an overall participation rate of 43.4%, boys' participation rate at 49.3%, and girls' participation rate at 36.9%.

The top five states include in order:

1. Maine 62.1% overall (boys at 66.7% and girls at 57.3% participation rate)
2. Iowa 58.6% overall (boys at 64.9% and girls at 51.5% participation rate)
3. Mississippi 56.1% overall (boys at 65% and girls at 47.6% participation rate)
4. Wyoming 54.5% overall (boys at 55.6% and girls at 53.2% participation rate)
5. Minnesota 54.1% overall (boys at 58.6% and girls at 49.6% participation rate)

Upcoming WBCA Events/Hall of Fame Nomination Form

Summer Slam (Girls Tournament)

When: June 11-13

Where: Champions Center (Appleton)

June Jam (Boys Tournament)

When: June 21-23

Where: Champions Center (Appleton)

WBCA All-Star Games

When: June 26 (Girls) and June 27 (Boys)

Where: JustaGame Fieldhouse (Wisconsin Dells)

Jerry Petitgoue Invite (Boys and Girls Tournament)

When: July 16 (Girls) and July 17th (Boys)

Where: JustaGame Fieldhouse (Wisconsin Dells)

Games: 3-game guarantee

Fee: \$275

Check out the link for additional information [Jerry Petitgoue Sign Up](#)

WBCA Showcase

When: September 28

Where: JustaGame Fieldhouse (Wisconsin Dells)

Hall of Fame Banquet

When: September 29

Where: Wilderness Resort (Wisconsin Dells)

Fall Clinic

When: October 3-4

Where: JustaGame Fieldhouse (Wisconsin Dells)

Youth Coaches Clinic

When: October 20

Where: Locations throughout the state

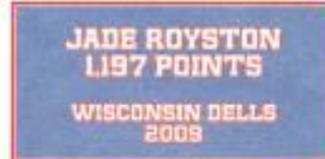
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Joe Sample	1978-2000	525-341
Jim Sample	1985-2013	1500 Games Officiated
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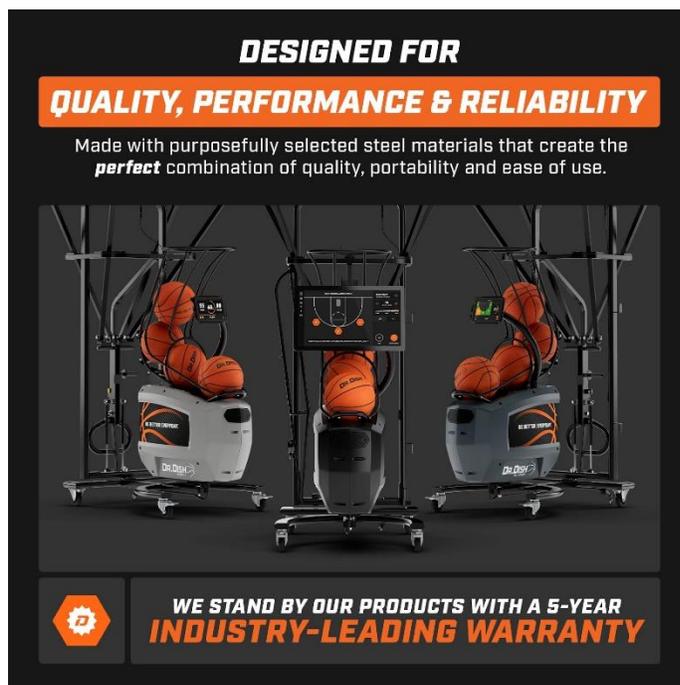
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