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## **Michigan Continues Ice Hockey, Softball, Volleyball, Wrestling Dominance In Career/Season Categories In 2002 National High School Sports Record Book**

**EAST LANSING, Mich. – May 16 –** Michigan schools improved their status in the 2002 edition of the National High School Sports Record Book, published by the National Federation of State High School Associations.

There were four new national records turned in by Michigan student-athletes during the 2000-01 school year: Stevan Louch of Clare High School hit home runs in six consecutive at-bats; LaTonya Coates of Bangor set a career softball pitching record with 1,999 strikeouts; and Nick Simmons of Williamston set wrestling records for consecutive victories with 211, and career pins with 178.

In this year's book, there are 70 individuals from Michigan who own national records outright or share them. There are 18 team records which Michigan schools own outright or share. In addition, Michigan owns 72 second place performances in the record book.

In the sports of ice hockey, softball, girls volleyball and wrestling, Michigan individuals dominate the career and single-season statistical categories.

Records in all four of the individual categories in ice hockey are owned by Michigan players. In season assists, the entire top 10 list consists of Michigan players; and in season goals scored, 7 of the 10 players listed are from Michigan.

There are more individuals from Michigan listed in the softball records than from any other state -- 135. Seventeen individual records and five team records belong to Michigan. Michigan is also the dominant state in 12 individual and 2 team categories in the book. Diane Laffey, the softball coach at Harper Woods Regina High School, continues to be the nation's winningest coach.

Michigan also sports the nation's winningest girls volleyball coach in Jack Magelssen of Portage Northern, who is one of six state coaches on the victories list. Of the top 20 winningest coaches, Michigan has 5.

In the career and season individual statistical categories for volleyball, Michigan has 34 listings, more than any other state. Michigan is also the dominant state in four categories -- career and season kills and career and season assists. In three of those categories, Michigan players make up 7 of the top 10 listings.

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Michigan also dominates the career and season stats in the wrestling portion of the record book. In career victories, Michigan has all 10 of the listings; in single-season victories and career pins, Michigan has 9 of 11 slots; and in season pins, 8 of 10 spots.

"Our presence in the National High School Sports Record Book is a reflection of the continued growth in submissions of information for the Michigan Record Book," said MHSAA Communications Director John Johnson, who once served as chair of the NFHS's National High School Records Committee. "We know that these lists are a continual work in progress, and encourage people to visit the records pages on the MHSAA Web Site, and then contact us if they have information that could help us fill out these lists."

The majority of all listings in the National High School Sports Record Book from Michigan are in girls sports. There are 427 individual listings from Michigan in this year's record book, 226 of them from girls. Of the 142 team listings in the book, they are equally split between girls sports and boys sports.

The 2002 edition of the National High School Sports Record Book is available for purchase from the National Federation of State High School Associations at a cost of \$12.95 each, plus postage and handling. For more information, contact the NFHS at P.O. Box 690, Indianapolis, IN 46206. Telephone: 317.972.6900.

The 2002 record book will soon be available for viewing on the Internet at the NFHS's internet partner -- [ihigh.com](http://ihigh.com). Michigan high school records can be viewed by clicking on Record Book on the MHSAA Web Site -- [mhsaa.com](http://mhsaa.com). The Michigan records list is updated periodically during the school year by MHSAA Historian Ron Pesch of Muskegon.

The MHSAA is a private, not-for-profit corporation of voluntary membership by over 1,300 public and private senior high schools and junior high/middle schools which exists to develop common rules for athletic eligibility and competition. No government funds or tax dollars support the MHSAA, which was the first such association nationally to not accept membership dues or tournament entry fees from schools. Member schools which enforce these rules are permitted to participate in MHSAA tournaments, which attract approximately 1.6 million spectators each year.

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(Note -- A complete list of Michigan's record holders in the 2002 National High School Sports Record Book follows.)

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# **Michigan Record Holders In 2002**

## **National High School Sports Record Book**

### **Published by the National Federation of State High School Associations**

#### **BASEBALL**

- Drew Henson, Brighton, 70 home runs-career, 1995-98; 10 grand slams-career; 290 runs batted in-career
- Jeff Bowman, Clinton, 2 consecutive at-bat grand slams v. Napoleon, 4/25/83\*
- Rick Rhein, Lapeer West, 2 consecutive at-bat grand slams v. Oxford, 4/29/99\*
- Zac Robertson, Three Oaks-River Valley, 0.00 earned run average-season, 1996\*
- Ken Beardslee, Vermontville, 2 career perfect games, 1947-49\*; 18.1 per game strikeouts-career; 19.0 per game strikeouts-season, 1949
- Jason Lauer, Onsted, 32 doubles-season, 1997
- Stevan Louch, Clare, 6 consecutive at-bat home runs vs. Alma, 4/24/01 (Doubleheader)

#### **GIRLS BASKETBALL**

- Burr Oak, 31.3 per game free throws attempted-season, 1995
- Livonia Ladywood, 68.9 per game rebounds-season, 1980; 116 rebounds v. Riverview Gabriel Richard, 10/4/79
- Morrice, 118 field goals attempted v. Genesee, 10/25/93
- Maureen O'Malley, Taylor Light & Life Christian, 15 three-point field goals made v. Detroit East Catholic, 1998\*
- Do Stevens, Burton Atherton, 22 steals v. Burton Valley Christian, 1997

#### **BOYS BASKETBALL**

- Jackson Lumen Christi, 4 consecutive overtime games-season, 1998\*
- Jesse Campbell, Stockbridge, 25 blocked shots in a game, 1972

#### **GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY**

- Valari Ambrose, Riverview Gabriel Richard, 1981-84; Katie Boyles, Rochester Adams, 1997-00; Carrie Gould, Burton Bendle 1992-93, Flint Powers 1994-95; Thersa Padilla, Camden-Frontier, 84-87; 4-individual time association meet champions\*

#### **BOYS CROSS COUNTRY**

- Ryan Shay, Central Lake, 1993-96; 4-individual time association meet champion\*

#### **FOOTBALL**

- Detroit Central, 4 consecutive overtime games-season\*
- Detroit Northeastern v. Southeastern, 9-overtime game, 9/23/77, SE 43-36
- Lake Linden-Hubbell, 5 overtime games-season\*
- Nelson Stuit, Muskegon, 24 point after touchdown kicks-game v. Hastings, 9/28/30 (30 att.); 24 kicking points-game v. Hastings, 9/28/30
- Sean Tefft, Hastings, 2 pass interceptions returned for touchdowns-quarter, v. Albion, 1999
- Josh Tarbox, Menominee, 6 kickoff returns for touchdowns-season, 1998

#### **BOYS GOLF**

- Escanaba 19 association championships\*

#### **GIRLS GYMNASTICS**

- Katie Aho, Escanaba, 4-time association all-around champion 1990-93

#### **ICE HOCKEY**

- Ron Rolston, Flint Powers, 94 goals-season, 1983-84
- Doug Wood, Grosse Pointe Woods University Liggett, 195 assists-career, 1987-90
- Tony Hockin, Burton Bentley, 75 assists-season, 1984-85
- Jim Johnson, Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood, 232 goals-career, 1970-74

#### **SOFTBALL**

- Taylor Light & Life, 543 runs scored-season, 1993; 508 base hits-season, 1993
- Fenton, 56 triples-season, 1993

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### Softball - Continued

- Detroit King, 40 home runs-season, 1996
- Fraser, 89 doubles-season, 1998
- Kelly Kennedy, Taylor Light & Life, 279 runs-career, 1991-94; 48 home runs-career; 304 runs batter in-career; 105 runs batted in-season, 1993
- Melissa Taylor, Petersburg Summerfield, 286 base hits-career, 1994-97
- Nicole Hillman, Fenton, 22 doubles-season, 1996
- Jodi Every, Lansing Catholic Central, 48 triples-career, 1996-99;
- Stephanie Milkovich, Fenton, 1993; and Marian Bentley, Wyoming Park, 1992, 17 triples-season\*
- Melissa Sager, Chesaning, 115 stolen bases-season, 1997
- Lynn Hockett, Frankfort, 215 stolen bases-career, 1988-91
- Tracy Carr, Lapeer West, 136 pitching victories-career, 1989-92
- Nicole Williams, Waterford Our Lady, 29 pitching shutouts-season, 1993; 21 no-hitters - season, 1993
- Kelly Holmes, Plymouth Canton, 24 pitching strikeouts in a 7-inning game v. Walled Lake Western, 5/5/92
- Jenny Mackson, Pinconning, 34 pitching shutouts-season, 2000; 643 pitching strikeouts-season, 2000
- Diane Laffey, Harper Woods Regina, 720 career coaching victories, 1963-00 (720-256-3 - .737)

### GIRLS TENNIS

- Dawn Martin, Grosse Pointe Woods University Liggett, 4-time association No. 1 Singles champion (1985-88)\*

### BOYS TENNIS

- Grosse Pointe Woods University Liggett, 33 association championships

### GIRLS TRACK & FIELD

- Laura Matson, Bloomfield Hills Andover, 1,600-meter run, 4:39.4, 1985
- Delisa Walton, Detroit Mackenzie, 880-yard run, 2:07.7, 1978 (Event discontinued)
- Kim Turner, 110-yard low hurdles, :13.6, 1979 (Event discontinued)

### BOYS TRACK & FIELD

- Pickford, 27 consecutive association championships, 1952-78
- Dathen Ritzenhein, Rockford, 3,200-meter run, 8:41.1, 2000

### GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

- Carly Miller, Jackson, 2,463 kills-career, 1996-99
- Kim Schaper, Kalamazoo Central, 2,351 assists-season, 1996
- Jack Magelssen, Portage Northern, 1,400 career coaching victories, 1977-01 (1,400-147 - .905)

### WRESTLING

- Flint Kearsley v. Lapeer East, 12/14/88; Pinconning v. Tawas City, 12/10/86; Pinconning v. Standish Sterling 12/19/81, 78 points in a 13 weight class meet\*
- Pinconning, 337 falls-season, 1986-87
- Matthew Brady, Flint Kearsley, 217 wins-career, 1988-91; 73 wins-season, 1990-91 (73-0);
- Joe Warren, East Kentwood, 487 takedowns-season, 1994-95
- Nick Simmons, Williamston, 211 consecutive victories-career, 1998-01 (211-0); 178 pins-career, 1998-01; 54 consecutive pins-1998-99; 57 pins-season, 1998-99
- Fastest pins by weight class  
119 - :04, Tony Hill, Flint Kearsley, 1989-90\*  
178 - :04, Chuck Kraai, Zeeland, 1986-87\*
- Brandon Chesher, Adrian, 1993-96 (112-125-134-145); Gregory Elie, Escanaba, 1980-83 (98-105-112-119); Robert Mariucci, Iron Mountain, 1981-84 (112-126-145-155); Mike Mills, Mt. Pleasant, 1976-79 (98-112-132-138); Michael Murdoch, Montrose, 1983-86 (119-132-145-145); Nick Simmons, Williamston, 1998-01 (103-103-119-119); Jeremiah Tobias, Manchester, 1993-96 (125-130-135-145); 4-time association champions\*

\*Denotes that individual or team shares a national record