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Welcome to the MHSAA Championships! This is a classroom like no other, and now is the time for the final exam. Like the academic classroom, some have had good fortune and smooth sailing along the way in getting here while others have overcome adversity during the season. Even today, a good bounce or a bad bounce will occur.



Your athletic skills are put to the test, but more importantly, your discipline will be challenged, as well. The knack for making the right move at the right moment is often the difference between winning and coming up just short.

Discipline also means testing your self-control and people skills. To embrace our diverse opponents as equals, and to employ common decency – every – single – moment. Win or lose.

That's the beauty of educational athletics. The takeaways today are not the trophies and medals, but the life lessons learned and applied over years of sports.

Congratulations for reaching the end of the tournament road. Good luck to all!

— Mark Uyl
MHSAA Executive Director

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Sweet Repeats



The Forest Hills Central boys team (above) and Brighton's girls team earned repeat MHSAA Lacrosse titles in 2023.

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Rangers Repeat in D2

Repeating as MHSAA Division 2 boys lacrosse champion has been no easy task. Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central had missed doing so on four previous attempts. But in 2023, the Rangers became just the second program in MHSAA history to repeat in Division 2, defeating Detroit Country Day for the second consecutive year in the Final, 11-6.



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"It's really special (to repeat). We've had a couple opportunities to do that before and unfortunately haven't been able to piece that together," Forest Hills Central coach Andy Shira said.

East Grand Rapids is the only other program to win consecutive D2 championships, when it won three straight from 2007-09.

But it was Detroit Country Day (19-3) which got off to a fast start. The Yellowjackets opened by scoring the first three goals when Mason Gal, Bonner Upshaw and Will Thompson each found the net over the first nine minutes of play.

Shira called a timeout to regroup the Rangers (18-4), and the game was never the same.

"We just needed the kids to settle down and execute better," Shira said. "We had a little too much going on; we were a little frantic. So, once we settled down and the kids got to work, everything started to work in our favor."

Forest Hills Central would lock in defensively, holding DCD to just one goal over the final 15 minutes of the first half.

While the defense was in control, the FHC offense rallied

behind Magnus Salmon, who scored four times in the second period to lift the Rangers to a 6-4 halftime lead.

In the second half, it was Jonah McConnell who had the hot stick. He found the net three times during the half and four times in the game to keep DCD from getting within reach.

Forest Hills Central goalie Crandall Quinn put on a dominant final three quarters of play, holding the Yellowjackets to three goals while making nine saves in net.

Division 1 - Brother Rice 14, Detroit CC 11

Riding the championship experience the program has built for decades, Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice got back to the top of MHSAA Division 1 lacrosse in 2023.

Leading by just a goal with 4:47 to play, the Warriors would capitalize on their offensive opportunities and score three consecutive goals to put the Division 1 Final with Detroit Catholic Central out of reach, eventually prevailing 14-11.

In 2022, Brother Rice (20-2) lost the MHSAA Final for just the second time in history, falling in overtime to Hartland, 11-10.

One of the seniors who made a big impact in the win was Hunter Polonkey. The midfielder was dealing with a torn meniscus in his right knee, but racked up three goals and three assists.

Polonkey scored the opening goal in the second minute to give Brother Rice the initial lead, but Catholic Central (19-3) would answer with three consecutive goals to establish a 3-1 edge.

Rice led 6-5 at the half, but CC's Sean Donahue opened the second half with a pair of goals to put the Shamrocks up 7-6 in the third, which was their last lead.

Polonkey ended the Catholic Central run with his third goal midway through the third period. Sam Klein and Caiden Ramos followed with goals to put the Warriors back up, 9-7.

With the lead 12-10, Rice goalie Cam Sims made a key save that opened the door for goals from Christian McNulty and Sam Klein to lock up the title.



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2024 Final Stretch

BOYS DIVISION 1

Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice		
Hartland		Brother Rice/Hartland
Semifinals - June 5		Final - June 8
Detroit Catholic Central	16	LIVE Video: MHSAA.tv;
Rockford	5	Detroit Catholic Central

BOYS DIVISION 2

East Grand Rapids	7	
Detroit Country Day	15	Detroit Country Day
Semifinals - June 5		Final - June 8
Forest Hills Central	10	LIVE Video: MHSAA.tv;
Forest Hills Eastern	11	Forest Hills Eastern

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Bulldogs Back to Back

The Brighton girls lacrosse team found the ideal way to avoid the revenge trap: Just do your homework and play defense.

That's the combination the Bulldogs utilized to successfully defend its Division 1 title in last June with an 8-6 win over top-ranked Forest Hills Northern/Eastern at Rockford High School.



The championship came after Brighton outlasted the BirdDogs 12-11 in overtime in the 2022 Final.

Instead of allowing Forest Hills Northern/Eastern to avenge that loss, Brighton smothered an offense that was averaging more than 14 goals over five tournament games.

The defense was most evident during the second half. Down 5-4 at the break, Brighton (17-8-1) was still behind 6-5 on a FHN/E goal by Mia Dye with 17:23 left. But Brighton's Ella Toth tied the game with 14:51 left, and the Bulldogs sealed it on goals by Kaia Malachino and Georgia Gill over the final 9:16.

Neither team managed more than a one-goal lead until Gill's with 3:36 left.

Gill, Toth and Lauren Zaccagni all scored twice for Brighton, which lost seven key seniors from 2022. A young Brighton team managed just a 2-4 record through the first six games. Included over the last three weeks was a 12-10 loss to Division 2 runner-up East Grand Rapids and a 6-6 tie with FHN/E.

Brighton coach Ashton Peters agreed that the win was all about defense. The six goals was only one from FHN/E's season low of five against Forest Hills Central.

"Our defense was unbelievable. We said all year that our defense was the best it's ever been. We've been focusing on communication and being in possession," Peters said.

Brighton junior goalie Gabrielle Buckenberger faced just 11 shots and made six saves.

Division 2

Detroit Country Day 13, East Grand Rapids 12

The last thing the Detroit Country Day girls lacrosse team needed was to be reminded of recent history.

Which goes a long way in understanding its stunning 13-12 win over rival East Grand Rapids in the 2023 Division 2 Final.

The Yellowjackets' Hadley Keating scored with nine seconds left as DCD denied the Pioneers a fourth-consecutive title and ninth overall. The game featured eight ties and five lead changes.

The championship game was another gem over two seasons after EGR knocked off Country Day 12-11 in overtime in 2022. Country Day thumped the Pioneers 18-5 late in the regular season. But neither prior game was on the minds of Yellowjackets players, said junior Emma Arico, who scored five goals.

"We knew we couldn't take them lightly," said Arico, who scored the tying goal with 1:04 left. "It's a whole new atmosphere. We just wanted to focus on us and trust one another."

The championship was the first for No. 1-ranked Country Day, which finished 18-1. East Grand Rapids (16-10) had won in both 2021 and 2022, as well as 2019.

The Pioneers took a 12-11 lead with 1:43 left on a goal by MC Millman.

Neither team could gain much momentum. EGR scored the game's first three goals, Country Day six of the next seven, and the Pioneers four of the next five.

Mary Pavlou had four goals for Country Day. Millman and Vivian LaMange both had four goals, and Olivia Shaw scored three for EGR.

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2024 Final Stretch

GIRLS DIVISION 1

Bloomfield Hills	10	
Brighton	14	Brighton
Semifinals - June 5		Final - June 7
Rockford	10	<i>LIVE Video: MHSAA.tv;</i>
Hartland	8	Rockford

GIRLS DIVISION 2

Detroit Country Day	13	
Farmington Hills Mercy	6	Detroit Country Day
Semifinals - June 5		Final - June 7
Haslett	2	<i>LIVE Video: MHSAA.tv;</i>
Grand Rapids Catholic Central	24	Grand Rapids Catholic Central



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Brighton (18-5)



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PRINCIPAL
Matt Evans

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR
John Thompson

CONFERENCE
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CONFERENCE RECORD/PLACE
5-2, 3rd

First Row: Flynn Kogler, Sophia Heady, Kelly Mckaig, Gabi Buckenberger, Georgia Gill, Maggie Burchfield, Mia Balogh, Cece Mainhardt, Ella Toth, Charlotte Morley, Kimmy Young. Second Row: Kelly Brown, Scarlett Marks, Abby Watkins, Kami Wade, Abbey Kissel, Isabelle Graves, Kennedy Joseph, Maddison Griffin, Mya Nemecek, Ella Stecewicz, Vivian Eckerman, Audrey Keilman. Third Row: Sophie Dockham, Amelia Finley, Ryan Skomial, Keelin Ehman, Izzy Orton, Ashton Peters, Jeff Street.



Bulldogs '24

No.	Name	Pos.	Class
2	Ella Toth	A	Jr.
3	Kelly Mckaig	M	Fr.
4	Kami Wade	A	Sr.
6	Ella Stecewicz	M	So.
7	Maddison Griffin	A	Jr.
8	Vivian Eckerman	M	So.
9	Sophie Dockham	M	Fr.
10	Kennedy Joseph	M	Jr.
11	Georgia Gill	A	Sr.
12	Keelin Ehman	D	Jr.
13	Abby Watkins	M	Sr.
14	Abby Szymanski	D	Sr.
15	Mya Nemecek	D	Jr.
17	Sophia Heady	A	Jr.
18	Cecelia Mainhardt	M	Sr.
19	Charlotte Morley	D	So.
20	Scarlett Marks	M	Fr.
21	Flynn Kogler	D	Jr.
22	Amelia Finley	D	So.
23	Kimmy Young	A	So.
24	Izzy Orton	M	So.
25	Audrey Keilman	D	Jr.
26	Maggie Burchfield	A	So.
27	Mia Balogh	A	So.
29	Gabi Buckenberger	G	Sr.
30	Abbey Kissel	D	So.
31	Isabelle Graves	G	Fr.

Regular-Season Results

B	OPP	B	OPP
17 Birmingham Seaholm	3	9 East Grand Rapids	8
16 BH Cranbrook Kingswood	7	13 Grand Rapids CC	14
21 Okemos	2	13 Detroit Country Day	20
17 Forest Hills North./East.	5	17 Northville	6
14 Spring Lake	7	9 East Grand Rapids	10
12 Forest Hills Central	6	8 Hartland	7
10 East Grand Rapids	5	6 Hinsdale (IL) Central	10
18 Livonia Stevenson	5	19 Livonia Stevenson	4
15 Dewitt	8	17 White Lake Lakeland	4
5 Rockford	10		

Road to the Finals



MHSAA Regionals	
12 South Lyon	5
18 Novi	6
19 Northville	11

MHSAA Semifinal	
14 Bloomfield Hills	10

Head Coach: Ashton Peters (74-28-1, 6 years)
Assistant Coaches: Jeff Street, Kelly Brown, Ryan Skomial, Quintina Mengyan
Captains: Cece Mainhardt, Gabi Buckenberger, Georgia Gill, Ella Toth
Athletic Trainer: Drew Cavey
Manager: Brady Carruthers

Rockford (13-7)



First Row: Ava Guernsey, Brooke Gordon, Kaitlyn Popilek, Lily Hensley, Sydnee Schrauben, Ella Moore, Samantha Gardner, Elizabeth Hulbert, Ella Larva, Kiah Kruisenga. Second Row: Lyla Vogt, Camille Termaat, Olivia Hewitt, Kennedy Kalish, Ava Host, Madison Pyle, Aubree Frazier, Kendall Guy, Ava Wynn, Lillian Meisling, Adisyn Labbe. Third Row: Reese Schuiling, Giada Arcidiacono, Jillian Paul, Hope Deuel, Tessa Gregory, Naomi Green, Addison Klimczak, Gracelyn Hosford, Ashley Palmer, Head Coach Mark Neumen.

Quick Facts

SCHOOL COLORS
Orange & Black

SUPERINTENDENT
Dr. Stephen Matthews

PRINCIPAL
Thomas Hosford

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR
Cole Andrews

CONFERENCE
O-K Conference

CONFERENCE RECORD/PLACE
7-3, 2nd



Rams '24

Regular-Season Results

No.	Name	Pos.	Class
1	Sydnee Schrauben	A	Jr.
2	Brooke Gordon	M	So.
3	Reese Schuiling	A	Jr.
4	Ava Host	A	Sr.
5	Kaitlyn Popilek	D	Sr.
6	Naomi Green	D	Jr.
7	Lillian Meisling	M	Jr.
9	Hope Deuel	A	Sr.
10	Lyla Vogt	D	Fr.
11	Giada Arcidiacono	A	Jr.
12	Aubree Frazier	A	Sr.
13	Kendall Guy	D	Sr.
14	Jillian Paul	D	Sr.
15	Adisyn Labbe	A	Sr.
16	Ashley Palmer	M	Sr.
17	Samantha Gardner	D	Sr.
18	Ella Moore	A	Sr.
19	Addison Klimczak	D	Sr.
20	Madison Pyle	A	Sr.
21	Ella Larva	M	So.
22	Ava Guernsey	D	Sr.
23	Tessa Gregory	D	Sr.
24	Elizabeth Hulbert	D	Sr.
25	Kiah Kruisenga	M	Fr.
26	Lily Hensley	D	Jr.
27	Camille Termaat	D	Jr.
28	Ava Wynn	A	Jr.
29	Olivia Hewitt	G	Sr.
30	Gracelyn Hosford	G	Jr.

R	OPP	R	OPP
10 Spring Lake	16	7 Grand Rapids CC	20
8 Grand Rapids CC	17	16 Forest Hills North./East.	1
13 Forest Hills North./East.	6	12 East Grand Rapids	10
12 East Grand Rapids	8	12 Forest Hills Central	10
10 Brighton	5	7 Hinsdale Central (IL)	9
5 Benet Academy (IL)	11	16 Grand Rapids Northview	6
16 Forest Hills Central	12	10 Spring Lake	9
2 Loyola Academy (IL)	19		
7 New Trier (IL)	16		

Road to the Finals



MHSAA Regionals	
20 Hudsonville	4
20 Grandville	1
10 Forest Hills North./East.	5

MHSAA Semifinal	
10 Hartland	8

Head Coach: Mark Neumen (40-19, 3 years)
Assistant Coaches: Chloe Dunham, Alyssa Davison, Madelyn Yakes
Captains: Hope Deuel, Aubree Frazier, Addison Klimczak, Jillian Paul, Madison Pyle
Athletic Trainers: Charley Weaver, Dante Avila, Taylor Baker
Manager: Rebecca Neumen

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Detroit Country Day (17-3-1)



First Row: Alexis Clark, Mia Beck, Sadie Rifkin, Emma Arico, Hadley Keating, Alessia Sessa, Lucy Lepkowski, Nidhi Kaza. Second Row: Celine Shehadi, Mei Quinn, Mary Pavlou, Adriana Zuk, Gianna Bono, Caroline Nielsen, Brooke Winowich, Georgia Pavlou, Olivia Winowich. Third Row: Kiran Nayak, Avery Siudara, Helena Fakhoury, Jackie Calso, Campbell Lindner, Bridget Kenney, Anika French.

Quick Facts

- SCHOOL COLORS**
Blue & Gold
- SUPERINTENDENT**
Rich Dempsey
- PRINCIPAL**
John Corrigan
- ATHLETIC DIRECTOR**
Ross Cooper
- CONFERENCE**
Independent
- CONFERENCE RECORD/PLACE**
NA



Yellowjackets '24

No.	Name	Pos.	Class
1	Alessia Sessa	D	Sr.
2	Georgia Pavlou	A	Jr.
3	Olivia Winowich	M	Jr.
4	Gianna Bono	D	Jr.
6	Brooke Winowich	D	Jr.
7	Anika French	D	Jr.
9	Lucy Lepkowski	A	Sr.
10	Adriana Zuk	D	So.
12	Helena Fakhoury	A	So.
13	Kiran Nayak	M	Jr.
14	Celine Shehadi	M	So.
15	Mary Pavlou	A	Jr.
16	Emma Arico	M	Sr.
17	Sadie Rifkin	M	Sr.
18	Hadley Keating	A	Sr.
20	Caroline Nielsen	D	Jr.
21	Mei Quinn	A	So.
23	Nidhi Kaza	D	Sr.
25	Jackie Calso	A	Fr.
22	Grace Cassise	D	Fr.
27	Eve Tice	D	Fr.
30	Avery Siudara	M	Fr.
31	Halle Heineman	D	Fr.
33	Bridget Kenney	A	Fr.
35	Kaelyn Silas	M	Jr.
36	Mia Beck	A	Sr.
38	Mariah Zeni	A	Fr.
72	Alexis Clark	G	Sr.
77	Campbell Lindner	G	So.

Regular-Season Results

DCD	OPP	DCD	OPP
20 Grosse Pointe South	1	19 Northville	13
11 Cincinatti Indian Hill	17	21 East Grand Rapids	7
13 Spring Lake	5	20 Brighton	13
6 East Grand Rapids	6	13 Indianapolis Carmel	12
7 Grand Rapids CC	17	19 Troy Athens	2
1 Hartland	9	19 Birmingham Unified	3
15 Forest Hills Central	8	13 Columbus Bish. Watterson	8
8 Grand Rapids CC	20	21 Bloomfield Hills Marian	9
16 BH Cranbrook Kingswood	5		

Road to the Finals



MHSAA Regionals	
22 BH Cranbrook Kingswood	6
18 RH Stoney Creek	4
22 Bloomfield Hills Marian	4

MHSAA Semifinal	
13 Farmington Hills Mercy	6

Head Coach: Liz Nussbaum (17-3-1)
Assistant Coaches: Grace Andreski, Cait Gasco
Captains: Emma Arico, Hadley Keating, Sadie Rifkin, Alessia Sessa
Athletic Trainers: Andrew Hughes, Bailey Thompson, Ross Cooper
Managers: Sloane Berman, Ella Jeup

Grand Rapids Catholic Central (22-0)



Quick Facts

SCHOOL COLORS

Blue & White

SUPERINTENDENT

David Faber

PRINCIPAL

Tiffany Marrinan

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Joe Curcuru

CONFERENCE

O-K Conference - Tier 1

CONFERENCE RECORD/PLACE

8-0, 1st

First Row: Samaya Dean, Claire Marosi, Lily Engstrom, Cate Marshall, Emma Kate Stapleton, Samantha Fabiano, Sophia Israels, Payton Davis. Second Row: Coach Elise Marshall, Coach Megan Braun, Claire Sullivan, Liz Dalrymple, Katie Krajewski, Sarah Rott, Brigid Byrne, Emma Picarazzi, Avery Lannon, Mairin Ziegler, Coach Stephanie Braun, Head Coach Joe Curcuru.



Cougars '24

No.	Name	Pos.	Class
1	Cate Marshall	M	Jr.
2	Brigid Byrne	D	Sr.
3	Mairin Ziegler	A	Jr.
4	Maddie Ostrander	A	So.
6	Samantha Fabiano	A	Sr.
7	Payton Davis	A	Sr.
8	Lily Engstrom	M	So.
9	Claire Sullivan	A	Jr.
10	Liz Dalrymple	A	Jr.
11	Sarah Rott	A	Sr.
13	Emma Picarazzi	D	Sr.
14	Avery Lannon	D	Sr.
15	Sophie Israels	A	Sr.
16	Emma Kate Stapleton	D	Sr.
17	Kelsey Preston	D	So.
18	Mo Schneider	A	Jr.
19	Ella Picarazzi	D	So.
20	Kalyn Coleman	D	So.
21	Katie Krajewski	D	Sr.
22	Claire Marosi	M	Sr.
23	Annie Wittkowski	D	So.
25	Cali Murad	A	So.
27	Kathleen Sullivan	A	So.
29	Samaya Dean	G	Jr.

Regular-Season Results

GRCC	OPP	GRCC	OPP
18 Grand Rapids Christian	9	14 East Grand Rapids	10
17 Rockford	8	14 Brighton	13
15 Bloomfield Hills	7	20 Rockford	7
16 Forest Hills North./East.	4	18 Forest Hills Central	6
17 Detroit Country Day	7	18 Grand Rapids Northview	6
18 Forest Hills Central	4	22 Forest Hills North./East.	4
18 Forest Hills North./East.	6	20 Spring Lake	8
20 Detroit Country Day	7	17 Grand Haven	1
21 Spring Lake	4	20 East Grand Rapids	10

Road to the Finals



MHSAA Regionals

22 East Grand Rapids	11
23 Lowell	4
16 Forest Hills Central	6

MHSAA Semifinal

24 Haslett/Williamston	2
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Head Coach: Joe Curcuru (22-0, 1 year)

Assistant Coaches: Elise Marshall, Stephanie Braun, Megan Braun

Captains: Claire Marosi, Brigid Byrne, Emma Kate Stapleton, Sarah Rott

Athletic Trainer: Nate Lutz

Manager: Leah Kolonowski

School Spirit is Defining Difference in HS Sports

As Education-based sports in our nation's schools are different than any other level of competition.

Youth leagues and club sports often require significant entry fees, and in many cases, the focus is on competitive success with little concern for skill development, team building or sportsmanship.

High-profile college sports have been disrupted by issues concerning media contracts, NIL and the transfer portal, with the environment a bit like the "Wild West" on campuses throughout the country.

Professional sports, of course, are about the most elite performance, entertainment and winning championships.

Sports in our nation's 19,800-plus high schools instead are much more focused on education, relationships, team unity, having fun and school spirit.

School spirit is perhaps the defining difference between interscholastic and other levels of sports – having pride in one's school, maintaining a connection to the school and coaches for life, supporting all school teams and programs whether a participant or a fan, and contributing to the bond between school and community.

On an individual basis, pride is a key component of school spirit. Students who become involved in sports take pride in their teams and school and tend to carry that pride to their future careers after high school.

High school sports have the potential to boost the spirit of communities as well. There are countless examples every year but one such community was the small town of Fertile, Minnesota, located about 270 miles northwest of Minneapolis. In 2021, Jude Olson, a junior on the Fertile-Beltrami High School nine-player football team, was killed in an accident, which shook the approximately 1,000 residents of Fertile.

Last year, however, the Fertile-Beltrami football team provided a positive boost to the town with an undefeated regular season and a first-ever trip to the Minnesota State High School League Nine-player State Football Championship at U.S. Bank Stadium in Minneapolis.

According to an article in the Grand Forks (North Dakota) Herald, many of the town's residents did not have the means to make the five-hour trek to the game. As a result, local businesses and farmers donated \$25,000 for five charter buses to make sure every fan who wanted to make the trip had a free ride to the game.

"It means a lot to the whole town," said Jodie Strem, the co-owner of Fertile Oil Company. "We want (the players) to look in the stands and see us and know we are there for them. We are coming down full force."

While the Fertile-Beltrami Falcons lost to LeRoy-Ostrander in the MSHSL Nine-player Championship, the players and the 274 fans who made the journey will remember much more than the outcome of the game.

This is school spirit at its core and why high school sports are different.

High school activity programs boost the spirit of individuals, teams and communities. Research indicated that in 2020 when these programs were shut down because of the pandemic, the mental health of students was drastically compromised.

In the post-pandemic world, there are fewer face-to-face meetings. High school activities have played a major role in bringing people back together. We know that when schools have strong school spirit, communities respond with support and increased attendance.

School spirit and sportsmanship go hand in hand. If school spirit is channeled in a positive way, and expectations for good sportsmanship are communicated and enforced by school administrators, positive fan experiences will occur.

A survey several years ago by Varsity Brands concluded that high school students with school spirit performed better academically, were more engaged in social and civic matters, and were happier in general than their less-spirited peers.

The survey indicated that the benefits of school spirit are not just confined to the school years. The study suggested that school spirit can have lasting effects, including higher aspirations for continuing education and greater success in later life.

We are pleased to report that Varsity has commissioned a new research study, which will examine the post-pandemic educational landscape and attempt to understand how the return to in-person schooling has influenced school spirit and its profound impact on student learning, leadership and personal growth. We look forward to sharing the results of this survey down the road.

As the calendar turns to 2024, it is a great opportunity to renew commitments to these programs that involve more than 12 million participants in sports and performing arts – programs that foster and celebrate school spirit.



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— Karissa Niehoff, NFHS Executive Director



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Scholar-Athlete Class of 2024

The Michigan High School Athletic Association/Farm Bureau Insurance Scholar-Athlete Award has been recognizing the top student-athletes for 35 years. Applicants for the Scholar-Athlete Award must meet the following criteria: A minimum cumulative grade-point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale; and must have previously won a varsity letter. Applicants also show involvement in other school and community activities; submit two letters of recommendation and a 500-word essay on the importance of sportsmanship in educational athletics.

Recipients of the 2023-24 Scholar-Athlete Award receive a \$2,000 college scholarship to be used at the college, university, or trade school of their choice during the 2024-25 school year. This year, a total of 1,607 applications from 445 schools were received for the 32 scholarships. Class A students were guaranteed 12 winners, Class B eight winners, Class C six winners and Class D four winners. Two at-large winners were also selected.

All scholarship recipients will be honored during the MHSAA Boys Basketball Finals at the Breslin Center in East Lansing this March.



Bella Adams
Battle Creek
Lakeview
Class A



Navya Ashok
Ann Arbor
Greenhills
Class B



Ollie Brown
Williamston
Class B



Sara Dammann
New Lothrop
Class C



Willem DeGood
Traverse City West
Class A



Jackson Dell
Chelsea
Class B



Isabella DeWildt
Sault Ste Marie
Class B



Ridley Fast
Hillsdale Academy
Class D



Gwenyth L. Geiger
Caro
Class B



Elaine Gordon
Adrian
Class B



Tristan B Harbaugh
Gobles
Class C



Austin Hinkley
Big Rapids
Class B



Abrar Hossen
Portage Central
Class A



Anirudh Krishnan
Plymouth
Class A



Mallory Lowe
Leland
Class D



Ben March
St Louis
Class C



A.J. Martel
Mason
Class A



Ben McCaw
Lawrence
Class D



Aya Moughni
Dearborn
Class A



Lucas Nor
Ann Arbor
Greenhills
Class B



Kylie Ott
Bridgman
Class C



Arianna Pate
Gibraltar Carlson
Class A



Cecilia Postma
Manistee
Class B



Jaden Reji
Livonia Churchill
Class A



Cecilia Ruchti
St Joseph
Class A



Ryn Ruddy
Ottawa Lake
Whiteford
Class C



Lily Sackrider
St Johns
Class A



Alivia Salenbien
Britton Deerfield
Class D



Charlie Seufert
East Grand Rapids
Class A



Katherine Slazinski
Birmingham
Seaholm
Class A



Brooke Spitzley
Pewamo-Westphalia
Class C



Logan Yu
Midland Dow
Class A

Student Advisory Council Aids MHSAA

Eight student-athletes who will be juniors at their schools during the 2024-25 academic year have been selected to serve two-year terms on the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Student Advisory Council.

The Student Advisory Council is a 16-member group which provides feedback on issues impacting educational athletics from a student's perspective, and also is involved in the operation of MHSAA championship events and other programming. Members of the Student Advisory Council serve for two years, beginning as juniors. Eight new members are selected annually to serve on the SAC, with nominations made by MHSAA member schools. The incoming juniors will join the group of eight seniors-to-be appointed a year ago.

Selected to begin serving on the Student Advisory Council in 2024-25 are: **Itzel Albarran**, Bronson; **Harper Barnhart**, Brownstown Woodhaven; **Diamond Cook**, Southfield Christian; **Henry Ewles**, Pontiac Notre Dame Prep; **Cole Haist**, Big Rapids; **Frannie Keeley**, Jenison; **Trey LaValley**, Romeo; and **Ethan Stine**, Bridgman.

Those eight new members were selected from 90 applicants. The first Student Advisory Council was formed for the 2006-07 school year. With the addition of this class beginning this summer, members will have represented 142 schools from 51 leagues plus independent schools that do not play in a league. Combined, the new appointees have participated in 10 MHSAA sports, and five will be the first SAC members from their respective schools.

The Student Advisory Council generally meets seven times each school year, and once more for a 24-hour leadership camp. In addition to assisting in the promotion of the educational value of interscholastic athletics, the Council discusses issues dealing with the 4 S's of educational athletics: scholarship, sportsmanship, safety (including health and nutrition)



2023-24 Student Advisory Council

First Row: Macy Jenkins, Milford; Ella Knudsen, Leland; M'Khi Guy, Muskegon; Isaiah Kabban, Harbor Beach; DaNia Womack, Dearborn Advanced Tech Academy. **Second Row:** Madie Werner, Bay City All Saints; Anna Zoet, Grandville Calvin Christian; Christian Sanders, Detroit Renaissance; Kaylee Kranz, Clinton; Cale Bell, Sault Ste Marie; Drew Cady, Oxford; Dawsen Lehew, Marcellus; Ben Sytsma, Grand Rapids Christian; Kannon Duffing, Manchester; Claire Gorno, Gaylord; Joey Spada, Kalamazoo Central.

Student Advisory Council Belief Statement

As the voice of Michigan's student-athletes, the Student Advisory Council's role is to convey the message of how high school sports are supposed to be played. We are responsible for helping the MHSAA maintain a positive and healthy atmosphere in which interscholastic athletes can thrive.

*We believe **athletes** should be competitive, sportsmanlike and excel academically. We believe **students** in the stands should have fun, but not take the focus away from the game. We believe **coaches** should act as teachers, helping student-athletes develop while still keeping high school sports in perspective. We believe that **parents** should always be positive role models and be supportive of their child's decisions. We believe **officials** commit their own time to high school sports and respect should always be shown and given to them.*

The most important goal for student-athletes is to enjoy high school sports while keeping a high level of respect between all those involved in the games.

and the sensible scope of athletic programs. There also is a fifth S discussed by the group – student leadership.

This school year, the Council handed out championship trophies at Finals events, led sessions during four Sportsmanship Summits and provided assistance at the Women In Sports Leadership Conference, provided feedback to the MHSAA Representative Council on proposed rule changes, worked on a mental health initiative, and wrote the script for a public serv-

ice announcement on adult spectator sportsmanship that will be included in broadcasts beginning this upcoming school year.

The new additions to the SAC will join the Class of 2025 members who were selected a year ago: **Cale Bell**, Sault Ste. Marie; **Drew Cady**, Oxford; **Macy Jenkins**, Milford; **Isaiah Kabban**, Harbor Beach; **Ella Knudsen**, Leland; **Kaylee Kranz**, Clinton; **Joey Spada**, Kalamazoo Central; and **Aynalem Zoet**, Grandville Calvin Christian.

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MHSAA Representative Council

The Representative Council of the Michigan High School Athletic Association is the body assembled to carry out the wishes of member schools. The Council meets several times annually to discuss and pass legislation concerning interscholastic athletics in Michigan.

The Representative Council is made up of 19 members, with all but five elected by a vote of MHSAA-member schools to represent different geographic regions, different sizes of schools, non-public schools, and junior and middle schools. Two members are elected to statewide at-large positions. Four members are appointed by the Council to facilitate representation of females and minorities, and the 19th position is occupied by the Superintendent of Public Instruction or his/her designee.

The officers and two other representatives form the MHSAA's Executive Committee, which meets on a monthly basis during the school year to review eligibility appeals and other current business.



First Row (L to R): Vic Michaels, John Thompson, Scott Grimes, Mark Uyl. **Second Row:** Jennifer Thunberg, Chris Riker, Dr. Arnetta Thompson, Alex Tiseo, Chris Adams. **Third Row:** Eric Albright, Adam Stefanski, Jeff Kline, Fred Smith, Jay Alexander, Jason Malloy, Anna Rigby, Russ Fort, Judy Cox, Sean Jacques.

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Representative Council Members

Chris Adams*
Superintendent
Camden-Frontier High School
Class C-D — Southeastern Michigan

Eric Albright**
Athletic Director
Midland High School
Class A-B — Northern Lower Peninsula

Jay Alexander*
Executive Director of Athletics
Detroit Public Schools
Detroit Public Schools Position

Judy Cox**
Principal
Auburn-Bay City Western High School
Appointee

Ross Fort (ex-officio)
Special Assistant to Deputy Superintendent
for Finance and Operations
Michigan Dept. of Education, Lansing
Designee

Scott Grimes, President**
Superintendent, Grand Haven Public Schools
Statewide At-Large

Sean Jacques**
Assistant Principal/Athletic Director
Calumet High School
Class C-D — Upper Peninsula

Jeff Kline*
Athletic Director
Mt. Morris High School
Statewide At-Large

Jason Malloy**
Athletic Director
Westland John Glenn High School
Appointee

Vic Michaels, Secretary-Treasurer**
Director of Physical Education & Athletics
Archdiocese of Detroit
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Chris Miller*
Athletic Director/Director of Operations
Gobles High School
Class C-D — Southwestern Michigan

Anna Rigby**
Athletic Director
Harbor Springs High School
Class C-D — Northern Michigan

Chris Riker**
Athletic Director
Portage Northern High School
Class A-B — Southwestern Michigan

Fred Smith**
Athletic Director
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Junior High/Middle Schools

Adam Stefanski*
Athletic Director
Boyne City High School
Junior High/Middle Schools

Dr. Arnetta Thompson*
Superintendent
Godfrey-Lee Public Schools
Appointee

John Thompson, Vice President**
Athletic Director
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Class A-B — Southeastern Michigan

Jennifer Thunberg*
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Appointee

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Class A-B — Upper Peninsula

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Hartland (19-3)



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SUPERINTENDENT
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PRINCIPAL
James Fitzgerald

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR
Brian Hassler

CONFERENCE
Kensington Lakes
Activities Association

CONFERENCE RECORD/PLACE
10-0, 1st

First Row: Dylan Ayotte, Braden Streight, Connor Gilbert, Grant Barber, Declan Ferron, Alex Criscuolo, Kellan Hull, Brett Kreiner, Evan Green, Kyle Pies. Second Row: Matthew Flynn, Nate Anderer, Tanner Smith, Kai Thompson, Max Kotsilidis, Gio Hodgins, Drew Lockwood, Drew Schaecher, Easton Culver. Third Row: Coach Nick Levanti, Jake Pretzel, David Bulloch, Gage Jackovich, Gavin Spewock, Jake Lewis, Mason Bulthius, Clayton Penzien. Not Pictured: Christian Corona Beardsley, Coen Chwalek, Jaxon Delabarre, Pat Purdom.



Eagles '24

No.	Name	Pos.	Class
1	Clayton Penzien	M	So.
3	Jaxon Delabarre	M	Fr.
4	Jake Lewis	A	Sr.
5	Braden Streight	D	Jr.
6	Easton Culver	M	Jr.
7	Drew Lockwood	M	Sr.
8	Connor Gilbert	M	So.
9	David Bulloch	FO	Sr.
11	Trevor Phillips	M	Fr.
12	Jacob Ross	A	Sr.
13	Gage Jackovich	M	Sr.
17	Kyle Pies	M	Sr.
19	Drew Schaecher	M	So.
20	Grant Barber	M	Jr.
21	Christian Corona-Beardsley	M	Sr.
22	Nate Anderer	G	Fr.
25	Gavin Spewock	D	Sr.
26	Tanner Smith	G	Jr.
27	Brett Kreiner	M	Jr.
28	Alex Criscuolo	D	Jr.
30	Evan Green	M	Sr.
33	Gio Hodgins	M	Jr.
34	Kellan Hull	M	So.
35	Jake Pretzel	G	Sr.
41	Mason Bulthius	M	Jr.
42	Kai Thompson	M	Sr.
50	Pat Purdom	M	Sr.
51	Dylan Ayotte	A	Sr.
65	Matthew Flynn	D	Jr.
70	Coen Chwalek	A	Fr.
77	Max Kotsilidis	LSM	Jr.

Regular-Season Results

H	OPP	H	OPP
11 Romeo	2	15 Canton	5
14 Lake Orion	13	29 Belleville	0
12 Northville	7	18 Plymouth	3
12 East Grand Rapids	9	17 Howell	2
25 Novi	1	17 Brighton	6
5 BH Brother Rice	15	11 Forest Hills Central	7
20 Salem	4	19 Salem	3
15 Livonia Stevenson	5	7 Rockford	8
8 Cincinnati St. Xavier (OH)	19		

Road to the Finals



MHSAA Regionals

20 Waterford Kettering	3
26 Oxford	2
15 Grand Blanc	2

MHSAA Quarterfinal

17 Lake Orion	2
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MHSAA Semifinal

11 BH Brother Rice	10
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Head Coach: Nick Levanti (80-12, 5 years)
Assistant Coaches: Josh Hernandez, Steven Peterson, Bo Lockwood, Trevor Lockwood, Chad Gierak, Max Treanor, Devon Plemmons
Captains: Jake Lewis, Drew Lockwood, Max Kotsilidis
Athletic Trainer: Abigail Goodroe
Managers: Brady Lockwood, Chad Lockwood (Statisticians), Eric Phillips (Videographer), Terra Bulloch (Photographer)

Detroit Catholic Central (20-3)



Quick Facts

SCHOOL COLORS
Royal Blue & White

PRINCIPAL
Fr Patrick Fulton

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR
Aaron Babicz

CONFERENCE
Catholic High School League

CONFERENCE RECORD/PLACE
7-1, 1st

First Row: Cisco Williams, Ryan Jaggi, Brian Cranston, Connor Ryan, Mark Alarcon, Grant Tallieu, Paddy Denk, Tyler Lammers, Connor Lukas. Second Row: Brody Wojcik, Luke Zajdel, Blake Papke, Luke Taylor, Joe Curtin, James Jameson, Alex Stoey, Jack Smiley, Owen Harris. Third Row: Coach Pattinson, Joe Bryson, Ryan Dye, Austin Kersey, Lachlan Moffatt, Charles Graves, Joey Ramirez, Nick Edwards, Matthew Aleva, Coach Wilson. Not Pictured: Gideon Gash.



Shamrocks '24

No.	Name	Pos.	Class
1	Francisco Williams	M	Jr.
2	Ryan Jaggi	M	Sr.
3	Brian Cranston	G	Jr.
4	Connor Ryan	M	So.
5	Mark Alarcon	D	Jr.
6	Grant Tallieu	D	Jr.
8	Paddy Denk	M	Sr.
9	Tyler Lammers	G	Sr.
10	Conner Lukas	M	Jr.
11	Brody Wojcik	M	Sr.
12	Luke Zajdel	M	Jr.
13	Blake Papke	A	So.
14	Luke Taylor	D	Jr.
15	Joe Curtin	D	Sr.
16	James Jameson	D	Jr.
17	Alex Stoey	M	Jr.
19	Jack Smiley	A	Jr.
20	Owen Harris	D	Jr.
21	Joe Bryson	D	Sr.
22	Ryan Dye	A	So.
23	Austin Kersey	M	Jr.
24	Lachlan Moffatt	A	Jr.
25	Charles Graves	G	Sr.
27	Joey Ramirez	D	Jr.
28	Nick Edwards	M	So.
29	Gideon Gash	D	Fr.
30	Matthew Aleva	M	Sr.

Regular-Season Results

DCC	OPP	DCC	OPP
10 Detroit Country Day	8	11 Cincinnati St Xavier	12
11 Detroit U-D Jesuit	0	9 Springboro	5
26 BH Cranbrook Kingswood	2	18 Warren De La Salle	1
10 BH Brother Rice	16	11 Mason (OH)	10
16 Toledo St. Johns	6	10 Dublin Jerome (OH)	11
20 South Lyon	4	9 St Francis DeSales (OH)	2
23 Orchard Lake St. Mary's	4	15 BH Brother Rice	2
19 Romeo	3	13 Birmingham	3
21 St. Francis DeSales (OH)	0	17 Forest Hills Central	8

Road to the Finals



MHSAA Regionals	
20 White Lake Lakeland	0
19 Howell	1
19 South Lyon	1
MHSAA Quarterfinal	
19 Brighton	4

MHSAA Semifinal	
16 Rockford	5

Head Coach: Dave Wilson (270-99, 19 years)
Assistant Coaches: Stan Zajdel, Craig Pattinson, Jim Smiley, Mike Sullivan
Captains: Tyler Lammers, Joe Curtin, Matthew Aleva
Athletic Trainer: Erin Brown
Manager: Jack Kelly



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Detroit Country Day (18-2)



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SCHOOL COLORS
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PRINCIPAL
John Corrigan

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR
Dan MacLean

CONFERENCE
Independent

CONFERENCE RECORD/PLACE
NA

First Row: Oliver Aaron, Jack Szalanski, Shafeek Halabi, Will Thompson, Trevor Corless, Caden Daley. Second Row: Navade Haq, Alex Elia, John McKany, Kellen Curby, Joe Norton, Andrew Gryzenia, Simon Stoller, Ry Crozier, Cash Adams. Third Row: Harry Spencer, Reid Jarjosa, Andrew Harris, Nash Albertie, Micah Zacks, Addison Davis, Preston Cook, Keaton Yearego, Hugh Aaron, Mason Gal, Bonner Upshaw, Luke Fisher. Fourth Row: Dylan Levin, Max Upshaw, Hully Quarrier, Charlie Nadeau, Kareem Nasir, Griffin Collins, Zain Halabi, Dominic Cherry, Rhys Kenney, Michael Curis, Steele Kiriluk, P.J. Shaman, Mitchell Hamway.



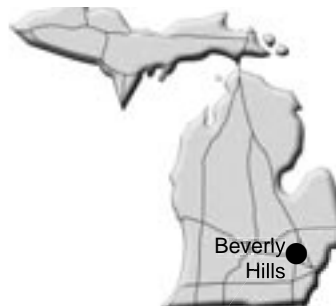
Yellowjackets '24

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Class
2	Navade Haq	D	5-11	155	Jr.
3	Steele Kiriluk	M/FOGO	6-2	170	So.
5	Michael Curis	G	5-8	145	So.
6	Will Thompson	A	6-2	175	Sr.
8	Zain Halabi	M	6-0	165	So.
10	Oliver Aaron	A	6-1	185	Sr.
11	Shafeek Halabi	D	6-2	195	Sr.
12	Alex Elia	G	6-2	185	Jr.
13	Andrew Gryzenia	D	6-3	195	Jr.
14	Luke Fisher	A	6-3	180	So.
15	Caden Daley	A	5-11	180	Sr.
16	Bonner Upshaw	A	6-4	180	So.
17	Hugh Aaron	A	5-11	165	So.
18	Kellen Curby	G	6-2	185	Jr.
19	Rhys Kenney	A	5-10	175	Fr.
20	Micah Zacks	M	6-0	170	So.
21	Joe Norton	M	6-3	190	Jr.
22	Keaton Yearego	A	5-9	160	So.
23	Jack Szalanski	D	5-11	190	Sr.
24	Griffin Collins	D	6-3	180	So.
26	Cash Adams	M	5-9	165	Jr.
27	Charlie Nadeau	M	5-7	155	Fr.
28	Simon Stoller	M	5-10	170	Jr.
29	Dominic Cherry	D	5-10	175	Fr.
30	Addison Davis	M	5-11	165	So.
31	John McKany	M/FOGO	5-7	170	Jr.
32	Reid Jarjosa	M	5-7	160	So.
33	Preston Cook	A/M	5-11	165	So.
34	Mason Gal	M	5-10	165	So.
35	Trevor Corless	D	6-3	185	Sr.
37	Suren Antonucci	A	5-10	170	Fr.
38	Mitchell Hamway	D	6-0	175	Fr.
40	Hully Quarrier	D	6-2	185	Fr.
41	P.J. Shaman	D	5-7	155	Fr.

Regular-Season Results

DCD	OPP	DCD	OPP
8 Detroit Central Catholic	10	21 BH Cranbrook Kingswood	2
16 Forest Hills Eastern	7	13 Byron Center	9
20 Hudsonville	7	15 Toledo St. John's Jesuit	6
12 East Grand Rapids	9	9 Indianapolis Cathedral	8
24 Grosse Pointe South	1	9 Carmel (IN)	10
13 Grand Ledge	8	9 Birmingham United	8
14 Forest Hills Northern	7	17 South Lyon Unified	3
14 Forest Hills Central	6		

Road to the Finals



MHSAA Regionals		
23 L'Anse Creuse		0
18 Orchard Lake St. Mary's		5
18 Pontiac Notre Dame Prep		4
MHSAA Quarterfinal		
20 Dearborn Divine Child		1

MHSAA Semifinal		
15 East Grand Rapids		7

Head Coach: Chris Garland (79-22, 6 years)
Assistant Coaches: Matt Gunsorek, Jeff Colbert, Alan Oliphant, George Saigh, Joe Miller
Captains: Oliver Aaron, Shafeek Halabi, Andrew Gryzenia, Will Thompson
Athletic Trainers: Ross Cooper, Andrew Hughes, Bailey Thompson

Forest Hills Eastern (16-4)



Quick Facts

SCHOOL COLORS

Crimson & Black

SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Sara Shubel
(Interim)

PRINCIPAL

Amy Pallo

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Ben Sherman

CONFERENCE

O-K Conference -
Tier 1

CONFERENCE RECORD/PLACE

(4-2, 3rd)

First Row: Mark Fuehrer, Will Morgan, Landon Pflum, Preston Hoexum, Camden Klaes, Landin Greene, Eli Prominski, Harrison Vanderground, Reeve Meloche, Luke Ueland, Gavin Zeitter, Assistant Coach Ethan Johns. Second Row: Conner Helminski, Brenden Kozal, Jake Wieschorster, Luke Kooistra, Jackson Arnold, Lucas Shepard, Owen Bray, Garrett Johns, Collin Campbell, Sam Kooistra, Owen Vandermeulen, Sawyer Shelden, Brady Campbell, Simon Vanderground, Jack Kishman, Blake Silverthorn, Head Coach Tony Boggiano, Noah Benedict, Assistant Coaches Jacob Hoexum, Nate Adkins, George Hoexum.



Hawks '24

No.	Name	Pos.	Class
1	Brendan Kozal	G	Fr.
2	Will Morgan	A	Sr.
3	Jack Kishman	FO	Jr.
4	Luke Ueland	LSM	Sr.
5	Noah Benedict	FO/M	Sr.
6	Mark Fuehrer	A	Sr.
7	Blake Silverthorn	M	Jr.
8	Camden Klaes	G	Sr.
9	Garrett Johns	M	Sr.
10	Gavin Zeitter	M	Sr.
11	Landon Pflum	D	Sr.
13	Eli Prominski	D	Sr.
14	Sam Kooistra	G	Jr.
15	Reeve Meloche	DM	Sr.
16	Brady Campbell	M	Jr.
19	Owen VanderMeulen	DM	So.
20	Jackson Arnold	M	Jr.
21	JD Streeter	M	So.
22	Simon Vanderground	A/M	Fr.
23	Harrison Vanderground	D	Sr.
27	Colin Campbell	D	Fr.
28	Preston Hoexum	A	Sr.
29	Lucas Shepard	M	Fr.
30	Jake Wieschorster	M	Jr.
31	Luke Kooistra	A	Fr.
32	Conner Helminski	DM	Fr.
34	Sawyer Shelden	LSM	So.
35	Owen Bray	FO	Jr.
40	Baron Prominski	A	Fr.
50	Landin Greene	D	Sr.

Regular-Season Results

FHE	OPP	FHE	OPP
11 Caledonia	7	17 Forest Hills Northern	9
7 Detroit Country Day	16	11 Forest Hills Central	15
18 Muskegon Mona Shores	6	18 Grand Rapids CC	5
7 Rockford	9	14 Birmingham United	1
15 Spring Lake	10	16 Byron Center	9
16 Grandville	4	17 Pontiac Notre Dame Prep	5
13 East Grand Rapids	8	13 Grand Ledge	14
16 Holland West Ottawa	4		

Road to the Finals



MHSAA Regionals

22 Battle Creek Pennfield	1
19 Battle Creek Harper Creek	1
23 Battle Creek Lakeview	8

MHSAA Quarterfinal

19 Grand Rapids CC	8
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MHSAA Semifinal

11 Forest Hills Central	10
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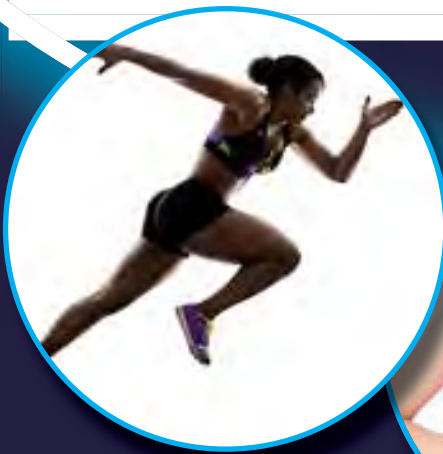
Head Coach: Antonio (Tony) Boggiano (30-9, 2 years)

Assistant Coaches: Jacob Hoexum, George Hoexum, Ethan Johns, Nate Adkins, Matt Wagner

Captains: Preston Hoexum, Noah Benedict, Will Morgan, Luke Ueland, Eli Prominski, Landon Pflum

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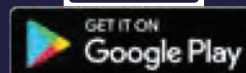
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BH Brother Rice Division 1



Forest Hills Central Division 2



Boys Lacrosse Finals History

DIVISION 1

Year	Champion (Coach)	Runner-Up	Score
2023	Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (Ajay Chawla)	Detroit Catholic Central	14-11
2022	Hartland (Nick Levanti)	BH Brother Rice	11-10 (OT)
2021	Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (Ajay Chawla)	Hartland	14-9
2020	Season Canceled (COVID-19)		
2019	Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (Ajay Chawla)	Detroit Catholic Central	14-13
2018	Detroit Catholic Central (Dave Wilson)	BH Brother Rice	11-10
2017	Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (Ajay Chawla)	Detroit Catholic Central	8-7
2016	Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (Ajay Chawla)	Detroit Catholic Central	10-8
2015	Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (Ajay Chawla)	Detroit Catholic Central	16-7
2014	Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (Ajay Chawla)	Detroit Catholic Central	23-7
2013	Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (Rob Ambrose)	Forest Hills E-N	14-10
2012	Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (Rob Ambrose)	Ann Arbor Pioneer	14-8
2011	Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (Rob Ambrose)	Forest Hills E-N	15-4
2010	Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (Rob Ambrose)	Detroit Catholic Central	16-10
2009	Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (Rob Ambrose)	Detroit U-D Jesuit	12-11
2008	Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (Rob Ambrose)	Detroit U-D Jesuit	16-8
2007	Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (Rob Ambrose)	Detroit Catholic Central	17-7
2006	Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (Rob Ambrose)	Detroit Catholic Central	14-8
2005	Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (Rob Ambrose)	Detroit U-D Jesuit	12-11

DIVISION 2

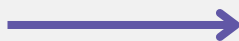
Year	Champion (Coach)	Runner-Up	Score
2023	GR Forest Hills Central (Andy Shira)	Detroit Country Day	11-6
2022	GR Forest Hills Central (Andy Shira)	Detroit Country Day	11-8
2021	East Grand Rapids (Adam Brant)	Forest Hills Eastern	12-10
2020	Season Canceled (COVID-19)		
2019	GR Forest Hills Central (Andy Shira)	Forest Hills Eastern	20-4
2018	East Grand Rapids (Rick DeBlasio)	GR Forest Hills C.	11-10 (2OT)
2017	East Grand Rapids (Rick DeBlasio)	GR Forest Hills Central	11-9
2016	GR Forest Hills Central (Jake Seiler)	East Grand Rapids	10-6
2015	BH Cranbrook-Kingswood (Mat Wilson)	Okemos	10-9
2014	Detroit Country Day (Michael Cappelletti)	Crabrook-Kingswood	12-8
2013	BH Cranbrook-Kingswood (Mat Wilson)	GR Forest Hills Central	10-9
2012	GR Forest Hills Central (Tony Quinn)	Detroit Country	7-6
2011	Detroit Country Day (Bryon Collins)	East Grand Rapids	13-5
2010	GR Forest Hills Central (Tony Quinn)	Pontiac Notre Dame	14-8
2009	East Grand Rapids (Adam Vincent)	O.L. St. Mary's	13-12 (OT)
2008	East Grand Rapids (Adam Vincent)	GR Forest Hills Central	14-7
2007	East Grand Rapids (Adam Vincent)	Cranbrook-Kingswood	14-10
2006	BH Cranbrook-Kingswood (Justin Ronayne)	East Grand Rapids	11-8
2005	Detroit Country Day (John Kenny)	East Grand Rapids	14-13

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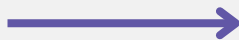
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Detroit Country Day Division 2



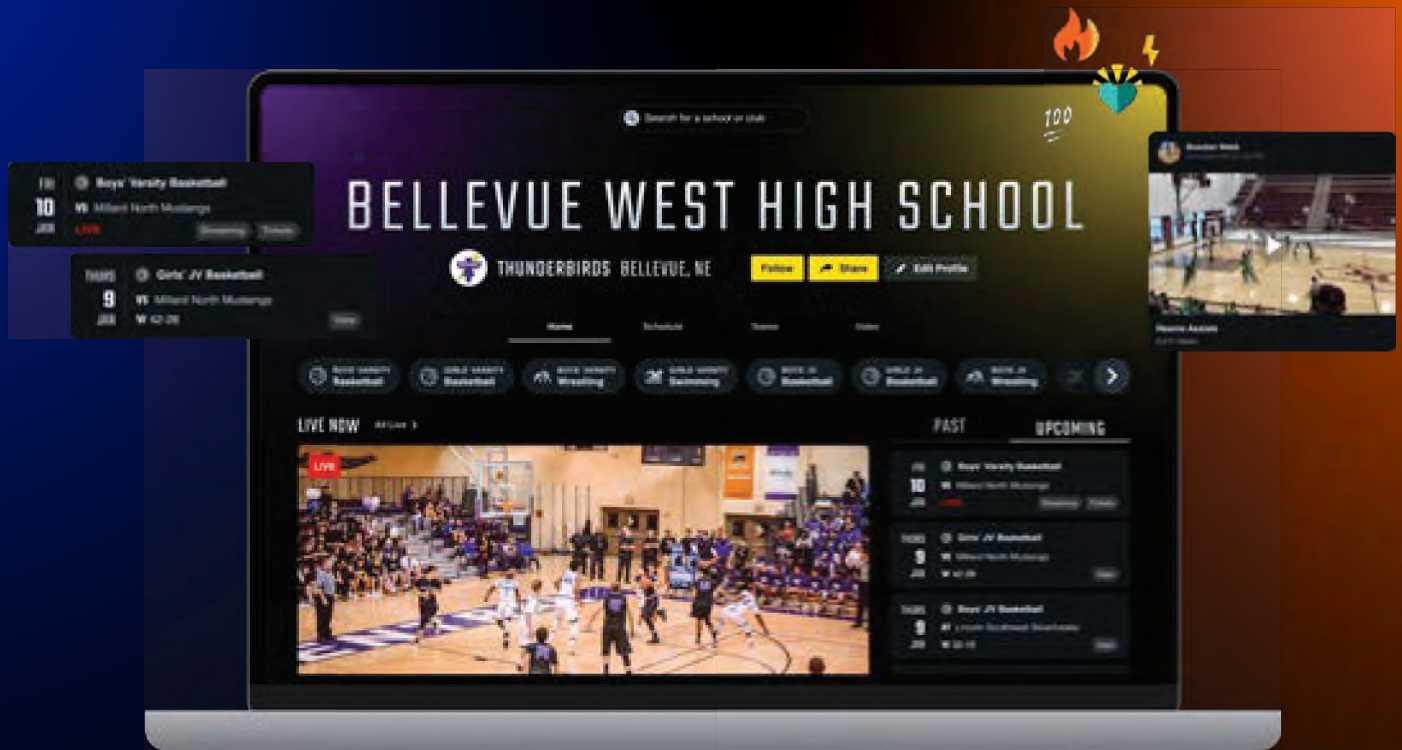
Girls Lacrosse Finals History

DIVISION 1

Year	Champion (Coach)	Runner-Up	Score
2023	Brighton (Ashton Peters)	Forest Hills N/E	8-6
2022	Brighton (Ryan Skomial)	Forest Hills N/E	12-11 (OT)
2021	Rockford (Mike Emery)	Brighton	19-16
2020	Season Canceled (COVID-19)		
2019	Rockford (Mike Emery)	Brighton	21-6
2018	Rockford (Mike Emery)	Brighton	25-5
2017	Rockford (Mike Emery)	Birmingham United	17-7
2016	Rockford (Mike Emery)	Birmingham United	12-9
2015	Rockford (Mike Emery)	Bloomfield Hills Marian	10-9
2014	Rockford (Mike Emery)	Ann Arbor Pioneer	16-7
2013	Rockford (Mike Emery)	Bloomfield United	16-7
2012	Birmingham United (Jen Dunbar)	Hartland	12-11 (OT)
2011	Brighton (Charlie Estey)	Ann Arbor Pioneer	17-15
2010	Rockford (Mike Emery)	Brighton	19-11
2009	Birmingham United (Jen Dunbar)	Bloomfield Hills Marian	13-11
2008	Birmingham United (Jen Dunbar)	South Lyon	8-6
2007	Birmingham United (Jen Dunbar)	Ann Arbor Pioneer	16-2
2006	Grosse Pointe South (Deb Pavle)	Troy Athens	10-8
2005	Grosse Pointe South (Deb Pavle)	Troy Athens	13-9

DIVISION 2

Year	Champion (Coach)	Runner-Up	Score
2023	Detroit Country Day (Emma Kuehl)	East Grand Rapids	13-12
2022	East Grand Rapids (Meggan Lloyd)	Detroit Country Day	12-11 (OT)
2021	East Grand Rapids (Geri Merrell)	BH Cranbrook Kingswood	15-11
2020	Season Canceled (COVID-19)		
2019	East Grand Rapids (Rich Axtell)	Bloomfield Hills Marian	22-7
2018	BH Cranbrook-Kingswood (Evan Foulsham)	Okemos	18-6
2017	BH Cranbrook-Kingswood (Greg Courter)	E. Grand Rapids	17-16 (3OT)
2016	East Grand Rapids (Rich Axtell)	BH Cranbrook Kingswood	13-11
2015	East Grand Rapids (Rich Axtell)	BH Cranbrook Kingswood	19-6
2014	East Grand Rapids (Rich Axtell)	Okemos	11-7
2013	East Grand Rapids (Rich Axtell)	Livonia Ladywood	16-6
2012	East Grand Rapids (Rich Axtell)	Okemos	17-6
2011	GR Catholic Central (Dennis McCarty)	BH Sacred Heart	17-16
2010	Okemos (Bill Prahler)	Flint Powers Catholic	20-6
2009	Okemos (Bill Prahler)	Flint Powers Catholic	12-6
2008	Flint Powers Catholic (Betsy Kreston)	Bloom. Hills ASH	12-11 (OT)
2007	Bloomfield Hills Sacred Heart (Vicki Oakley)	Okemos	15-8
2006	Bloomfield Hills Sacred Heart (Vicki Oakley)	Flint Powers Catholic	9-5
2005	Bloomfield Hills Sacred Heart (Vicki Oakley)	Detroit Country Day	10-9



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Finals Notes

Your Officials Today

Just as the participants on the teams at this year's Finals are realizing a dream of vying for top honors, another group of individuals are also reaching a goal for the hard work they have put in by being assigned to officiate the action.

Officials for MHSAA Finals are selected from an Association committee of member school personnel from across the state, based on the recommendations and ratings by schools, as well as from input from local officials associations.

These officials believe that interscholastic athletics are truly educational in nature, and work to uphold that standard. Like the athletes in the Finals, officials come from all points on the map.

Selected to work this year's Girls Finals are: **Sydney Gray**, Grand Rapids; **Thomas Rau**, Owosso; **Crathman Stephens**, Lathrup Village; **Jill Maloy**, Ann Arbor; **Brian Mishler**, Portland; **Branyon Vasquez**, Spring Lake; **Maeve Montgomery**, Holland; **Doug McDonald**, Canton.

Selected to work this year's Boys Finals are: **Guy Bellemare**, Plymouth; **Decker Hains**, Kalamazoo; **Stephen Hubbell**, Grosse Pointe Woods; **Bert Smith**, Grand Rapids; **Brett Svacha**, Grand Rapids; **Karl Brunsmann**, Clinton Township; **Richard Merritt Jr.**, East Lansing; **Christopher Drouin**, Clarkston.

Congratulations to this year's Finals officials. If you are interested in becoming a registered game official in any sport, contact the MHSAA at 1661 Ramblewood Drive, East Lansing, MI 48823 or e-mail register@mhsaa.com Registration for the 2024-25 school year is now underway at MHSAA.com.

Behind The Scenes

The hallmark of a strong association is its ability to work together for the common good. Every year, more than 10,000 game officials and 50,000-plus administrators and coaches at over 1,500 middle, junior and senior high schools voluntarily pool their efforts daily for the operations of the MHSAA's competitive extracurricular interscholastic athletic program.

An important responsibility of membership in the Association is the operation of the hundreds of district, regional and final level tournaments by school administrators who serve as the site managers for these games.

The behind the scenes work of these individuals and their staffs make sure that tournament competition is a memorable experience for the participants.

The MHSAA would like to thank the **Brighton High School** staff for their great assistance at today's Finals.

Coordinating the Finals from the MHSAA office are **Kathy Vrugink Westdorp** in Girls Lacrosse and **Cole Malatinsky** in Boys Lacrosse. Assisting this weekend are staff members **Camala Gillette**, **Laura Roberts**, **Jon Ross** and **Paige Winne**.

The MHSAA would like to recognize the efforts of these individuals and the other individuals who have donated their time to make the Finals a success.

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Statistical summaries of today's Finals can be found on MHSAA.com.

Championship History

Boys Finals Appearances (*championships in bold*)

- 17 - Birmingham/Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (**2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023**)
- 10 - East Grand Rapids (2005, 2006, **2007, 2008, 2009, 2011, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2021**)
- 10 - Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central (2008, **2010, 2012, 2013, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2022, 2023**)
- 10 - Detroit Catholic Central (2006, 2007, 2010, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, **2018, 2019, 2023**)
- 6 - Detroit Country Day (**2005, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2022, 2023**)
- 5 - Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood (**2006, 2007, 2013, 2014, 2015**)

Girls Finals Appearances (*championships in bold*)

- 10 - East Grand Rapids (**2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023**)
- 9 - Rockford (**2010, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021**)
- 6 - Okemos (2007, **2009, 2010, 2012, 2014, 2018**)
- 6 - Birmingham United (**2007, 2008, 2009, 2012, 2016, 2017**)
- 5 - Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood (2015, 2016, **2017, 2018, 2021**)
- 7 - Brighton (2010, **2011, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023**)
- 5 - Bloomfield Hills Academy of the Sacred Heart (**2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2011**)

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