

68 Area Athletes Compete in Highland CC All-Star Games

It was the 10th annual year for the Highland Community College volleyball All-Star game and 26th annual basketball All-Star games. Sixty-eight area senior athletes competed in the action at Highland.

In the volleyball matchup it was dominated by the Navy team as they won all four sets that were played between them and the gold team (25-14 set 1; 25-20 set 2; 25-14 set 3 and 15-13 set 4). In the victory the Navy squad who was coached by Theresa Watkins of Holton, it was a few players standing out with a handful of kills each. Perry-Lecompton's, Sierra Morgison finished the match with six kills and one block, while Horton's, Ashley Dishon and Oskaloosa's, Rachel Schmanke each tallied five kills, apiece. Holton Wildcat, Christa Hill also had a solid performance overall with three kills, 10 assists, one block and four aces.

For the Gold team they saw two players stand out with their total kill amounts in the matchup, as Holton's, Kylie Miller and Oskaloosa's, Haley Pfau tallied 10 and nine kills, respectively in the All-Star game. Miller also finished with two aces and one block, while Pfau added one block and one ace, to her day's stats, also. Centralia Panther, Michelle Haug and Hiawatha Red Hawk, Courtney Brennan each notched two kills, also for the Gold team.

After the volleyball action it was time for some girls basketball and it would be the Navy team once more dominating and notching the victory over the Gold team. The basketball matchup featured players from five different leagues in the northeast Kansas area. The Navy squad took early control of the game as they got out to a 13-0 lead and never looked back to sail to a 77-57 victory in the 26th annual Highland CC girl's basketball game. Navy team was coached by Holton coach, Jon Holliday who improved to 2-0 in All-Star games this season, while the Gold team was coached by Tim Barber of Highland Park, who is in his first season as coach at Highland Park.

The Navy team was lead on the day in scoring by Jefferson County North Charger all-time school leading scorer, Jordan Kramer who finished the day with 21 points. Two other players finished with double figures for the Navy team, they were Holton's, Jayna Smith and Topeka high school's, Krystal Crohn, who tallied 17 and 12 points, respectively. To go along with those three ladies four other players for the Navy team: Haley Pfau (Oskaloosa) 9 points, Brittany Simek (Immaculata) 8 points, Shayla Whitebird (Horton) 6 points and Kate Brickell (Jefferson County North) 4 points.

For the Gold team, they fought hard throughout the game but just could ultimately get back from the hole they found themselves in at the start of the game. They were lead in scoring by ACCHS senior, Tara Ellerman, as she finished the contest with 12 points; the lone player in double figures for the Gold team. Nine other players did score for the Gold team in the All-Star matchup: Devyn Edwards (Highland Park) 9 points, McKayla Brezina (Nemaha Valley) 9 points, Meggie Hall (Sabetha) 7 points, Nichole Boden (Wetmore) 6 points, Taylor Smith (Riverside) 4 points, Marija Crockett (Maur-Hill Mt. Academy) 4 points, Vanessa Burdiek (Centralia) 3 points, Michelle Haug (Centralia) 2 points and Maggie Leonard (Marysville) 1 point.

While the first two All-Star matchup's went to the Navy team it would be the Gold team who notched the victory in the boys basketball game. The Gold team found themselves down by 11 points at the half 71-59, but ultimately made the comeback in the second half to win by double figures with a final score of 133-118. The Gold team was coached by Maur-Hill Mt. Academies assistant coach, Sterling Jackson, while the Navy team was coached by Onaga head coach, Luke Baxter.

Almost every player who participated in the boys All-Star got themselves in the scorers in book. The high scoring honors for the day go to Valley Falls Dragon, Brock Watson who tallied 22 points in the loss for the Navy team, while Jefferson County North Charger, Dalton Minor and ACCHS Tiger, Austin Eckert each notched 19 points to lead the way for the Gold team.

Five other players joined Minor and Eckert in double digits for the Gold team on the day, those being: John Lawless (Maur-Hill Mt. Academy) 13 points, TJ Kocour (Maur-Hill Mt. Academy) 11 points, Alex Dahl (Santa Fe Trail), Josh Merz (Horton) and Jonathan Keating each finished with 10 points apiece.

The rest of the scoring for the Gold team consisted of: Brandon Heim (Pleasant Ridge) 9 points, Jonathan Denton (Perry-Lecompton) 8 points, Adam Sewell (Immaculata) 7 points, Troy Matson (Sabetha) 6 points, Cody Duryea (Jackson Heights) 5 points, Dylan Norris (Troy) 4 points, and Mitch Kurtz (ACCHS) 2 points.

The Navy team saw five other players in double figures outside of Watson, also on the day, those being: Alex Hermesch (Nemaha Valley) 17 points, Riley Falk (Onaga), Jacob Tanking (Holton) 13 points, Jacob Broxterman (Frankfort) and Derek Henry (Wetmore) both with 12 points.

The rest of the scoring for the Navy team consisted of: Cale Green (Marysville) 8 points, Michael Glatczak (Centralia) and Tyler Herrs (Linn) both with 5 points, Mitchell Walter (Washington County) 4 points and Derek Nold (Riverside), Kooper Winterscheidt (Hiawatha) and Patrick Griffiths each finished with 2 points.

Overall 68 area senior athletes competed in the All-Star matchups enjoying themselves in the games that they love. Below is list of each player for each sport and their future plans.

2012 Highland CC All-Star Volleyball Participants

Player	School	Future Plans	Other Notes
Courtney Brennan	Hiawatha	Attend KSU and major in Secondary Education	Recorded 2 kills in All-Star game
Caitlin Deters	B&B	Attend KSU and major in medical field	2nd Team 1A-DII; 1st Team TVL (2011) B&B won Class 1A-DII state title (2011)
McKayla Brezina	Nemaha Valley	Attend Highland CC to play volleyball and major in Graphic Design	HM Class 3A; HM Big 7 325 kills, 94 blocks, 43 aces (senior year)

Ashley Dishon	Horton	Attend Highland CC to play volleyball and major in Elementary Education	1st Team DVL (North) 224 kills, passed 90% (senior year) Recorded 5 kills, 1 ace in All-Star game
Vanessa Burdiek	Centralia	Attend KSU and major in Elementary/Special Education	1st Team Class 1A-DII; 1st Team TVL 2nd place at state Class 1A-DI (2011)
Courtney Galley	Olathe North	Attend Highland CC to play volleyball and major in Nursing	143 kills, 49 aces, 144 digs (senior yr)
Rachel Christie	Valley Heights	Attend KSU and major in Chemistry	158 digs, 30 kills, 500 assists, 32 aces (senior year)
Michell Haug	Centralia	Attend KSU and major is undecided	1st Team Class 1A-DI; 1st Team TVL 2nd place at state Class 1A-DI (2011) Recorded 2 kills in All-Star game
Kristin Haverkamp	Bern	Attend KSU and major in Digital Art	2nd Team TVL 98 kills, 39 aces, 605 assists (senior year)
Kylie Miller	Holton	Attend Washburn University to play volleyball and major in Pre-Med	2nd Team Clads 4A; 1st Team Big 7 Team made 4A state tournament Recorded 10 kills, 2 ac, 1 block in All-Star game
Emma-Leigh Herra	Doniphan West	Undecided	2nd Team DVL (North)

Sierra Morgison	Perry-Lecompton	Attend Highland CC to play volleyball and major in Nursing	Recorded 6 kills and 1 block in All-Star game
Christia Hill	Holton	Attend Highland CC to play volleyball and major in Physical Therapy	1st Team Big 7 Team made 4A state tournament Recorded 3 kills, 10 assists, 1 block, 4 aces in All-Star game
Haley Pfau	Oskaloosa	Attend Washburn University to play basketball	2nd Team Class 2A; 1st Team DVL (South) Team made 2A state tournament Recorded 9 kills, 1 block, 1 ace in All-Star game
Abby Meyer	Sabetha	Attend KSU and major in Sales and Marketing	HM Big 7
Veroncia Pitchford	Manhattan	Attend Highland CC to play volleyball and major in Physical Education/Special Education	87 kills, 87 blocks, 29 digs S(senior year)
Blair Russell	Marysville	Attend Tyler CC in Tyler, TX to play volleyball and major in Photography/Graphic Design	1st Team Class 3A; 1st Team NCK 315 digs, 56 blocks, 40 assists (senior year)
Taylor Smith	Riverside	College is undecided, major in Pre-Med	
Rachel Schmanke	Oskaloosa	Attend Highland CC to play volleyball and major in Criminal Justice/Counseling	2nd Team DVL (South) Recorded 5 kills, 1 block in All-Star game
Marissa Weaver	Linn	Attend KSU and major in Agricultural Education	231 assists, 120 digs, 33 kills, 19 aces (senior year)

Julia Shoemaker	Holton	Attend Kansas Wesleyan to play volleyball and major in Nursing	HM Class 4A; HM Big 7 Team made 4A state tournament
Melissa Ebling	Atchison	Attend University of Kansas and major is undecided	1st Team KCK

2012 Highland CC Girls Basketbal All-Star Participants

Player	School	Future Plans	Other Notes
Micaella Beikmann	Hanover	Attend Cloud County CC, major is undecided	2nd Team TVL 9.7ppg, 3.1rpg, 2.7apg (this yr)
Kate Brickell	Jeff Co. North	undecided	HM Class 2A; 2nd Team DVL 6.8ppg, 5.1apg, 2.3rpg (this yr) 4 points in All-Star game Class 2A State Champion
Nichole Boden	Wetmore	Attend Ottawa University to play basketball and major in Exercise Science	2nd Team Class 1A; 1st Team TVL 12ppg, 4rpg, 3spg (this yr) 6 points in All-Star game 4th place in Class 1A-DII State tournament
Vanessa Burdick	Centralia	Attend KSU and major in Elementary Education	HM Class 1A; 1st Team TVL 9.3ppg, 3.6rpg (this yr) 3 points in All-Star game Team made Class 1A-DI State tournament

Ryann Bowser	Holton	Attend Highland CC to play basketball and major in Nursing	2nd Team Class 4A; 1st Team Big 7 7.9ppg, 3.2rpg, 2.8apg (this yr) 2nd place in Class 4A State tournament
Krystal Corhn	Topeka HS	Attend Highland CC to play basketball, major in Criminal Justice	All Defensive Team Centennial league 7.8ppg, 4.1rpg, 2apg, 2.7spg (this yr) 12 points in All-Star game
McKayla Brezina	Nemaha Valley	Attend Highland CC to play volleyball and major in Graphic Design	3rd Team Class 3A; 1st Team Big 7 14.2ppg, 5.5rpg (this yr) 9 points in All-Star game
Marija Crockett	MH-MA	Attend Benedictine College and major in Biology	2nd Team DVL 10.4ppg, 6.6rpg, 1.7spg (this yr) 4 points in All-Star game
Devyn Edwards	Highland Park	undecided, major in Business Management	HM Class 5A; 2nd Team Centennial 9 points in All-Star game Team made Class 5A State tournament
Michelle Haug	Centralia	Attend KSU and major in undecided	3rd Team Class 1A; 1st Team TVL 14ppg, 6 rpg (this yr) 2 points in All-Star game Team made Class 1A-DI State tournament

Tara Ellerman	ACCCHS	undecided	1st Team Class 3A; 1st Team DVL 12.1ppg, 5.5rpg, 1.2apg (this yr) 4th place in Class 3A State tournament
Kristin Haverkamp	Bern	Attend KSU and major in Digital Art	HM Class 1A; 2nd Team TVL 12.4ppg, 7.4rpg, 2.9apg (this yr)
Jacqueline Frey	Sabetha	Attend University of Kansas and major in Human Biology/Pre-Med	1st Team Big 7 8.2ppg, 2.4rpg, 2.1apg (this yr)
Jordan Kramer	Jeff Co. North	Attend Washburn to play basketball and major in Bio Chemistry	1st Team Class 1A; 1st Team DVL 22ppg, 5.8rpg, 3.4apg (this yr) All-time leading scorer in JCN history (1,852pts) 21 points in All-Star game Class 2A State Champion
Meggie Hall	Sabetha	Attend KSU and major in Dietetics	HM Big 7 8.6ppg, 2.7rpg, 2.7apg (this yr) 7 points in All-Star game
Maggie Leonard	Marysville	undecided	HM NCK 9.9ppg, 4.3rpg, 2.2apg (this yr) 1 point in All-Star game
Haley Pfau	Oskaloosa	Attend Washburn to play basketball	2nd Team Class 2A; 1st Team DVL 19.8ppg, 5.3rpg, 2.1apg (this yr)

			9 points in All-Star game
Taylor Smith	Riverside	undecided	
Brittany Simek	Immaculata	Attend University of Kansas to be on the rowing team and major in Film and Media Studies	HM Class 2A; 1st Team DVL 16.4ppg, 4.9rpg, 1.8spg (this yr) 8 points in All-Star game
Liz Todd	Immaculata	Attend Baker University to play soccer and track and major in Nursing	1st Team DVL 12.4ppg, 6.7rpg, 4.5apg (this yr)
Jayna Smith	Holton	undecided, major in Nursing	2nd Team Class 4A; 1st Team Big 7 11.5ppg, 3.8rpg, 1.9apg (this yr) 17 points in All-Star game 2nd place in Class 4A State tournament
Shayla Whitebird	Horton	Attend Butler CC to play basketball and major in Pharmacy	13ppg, 8rpg, 75% FT (in 8 games)

2012 Highland CC Boys Basketball All-Star Participants

Player	School	Future Plans	Other Notes
Jacob Broxterman	Frankfort	Attend Highland CC and major in Education	1st Team Class 1A; 1st Team TVL 19ppg, 10rpg (this yr) 12 points in All-Star game Class 1A-DII State Champion
Riley Falk	Onaga	undecided, major in Accounting	1st Team Class 2A; 1st Team TVL 23.3ppg, 11.8rpg (this yr) 16 points in All-Star

			game
Alex Dahl	Santa Fe Trail	undecided	HM Class 4A; 1st Team Big 7 14.9ppg, 3.85rpg, 1.6apg (this yr) 10 points in All-Star game
Michael Glatczak	Centralia	Attend Butler CC to play football, major is undecided	1st Team Class 1A; 1st Team TVL 16.4ppg, 3.4rpg, 4spg (this yr) 5 points in All-Star game Team made Class 1A-DI State tournament
Jonathan Denton	Perry-Lecompton	Attend Coffeyville CC to play football and major in electrical field	HM Class 4A; 1st TM Big 7 14ppg, 7rpg, 1.5bpg (this yr) 8 points in All-Star game
Caleb Green	Marysville	Attend Bethany College to play football and track and major in Physical Education	HM Class 3A; 1st Team NCK 15.2ppg, 3.9rpg, 2.9apg (this yr) 8 points in All-Star game
Cody Duryea	Jackson Heights	Attend Barton CC and major in Athletic Training	HM Class 2A; 2nd Team DVL 11.3ppg, 5.2rpg, 1.7spg (this yr) 5 points in All-Star game
Patrick Griffitts	Oskaloosa	Attend Allen CC and major in Criminal Justice	4.6ppg, 2.1rpg (this yr) 2 points in All-Star game

Austin Eckert	ACCHS	undecided, major in Education	1st Team Class 3A; 1st Team DVL 21.4ppg, 4.4.rpg, 3.3apg (this yr) 19 points in All-Star game
Brandon Heim	Pleasant Ridge	Attend University of Saint Mary to play soccer and major in Pre-Physical Therapy	HM Class 3A; HM DVL 6.8ppg, 1.8rpg, 5.8apg (this yr) 9 points in All-Star game
Derek Henry	Wetmore	undecided	3rd Team Class 1A; 1st Team TVL 17.5ppg, 14rpg (this yr) 12 points in All-Star game
Isaac Kreuer	Metro Academy	undecided	19.7ppg, 12.3rpg, 2.6bpg (this yr)
Alex Hermes	Nemaha Valley	Attend Kansas University and major in Chemical Engineering	1st Team Class 3A; 1st Team Big 7 12.4ppg, 2.8rpg, 4apg (this yr) 17 points in All-Star game State runner-up in Class 3A
Mitchell Kurtz	ACCHS	undecided, major in Sports Management	2nd Team DVL 8.7ppg, 3.1apg, 2.8rpg (this yr) 2 points in All-Star game
Tyler Herrs	Linn	Attend KSU and major in Agronomy	3rd Team Class 1A; 1st Tam TVL 16.8ppg, 1.3spg (this yr) 5 points in All-Star

			game
John Lawless	MH-MA	Attend Rockhurst University and major in Physical Therapy	HM Class 3A; 1st Team DVL 10.6ppg, 8.2rpg, 1.9apg (this yr) 13 points in All-Star game
Jonathan Keating	Frankfort	Attend Highland CC to play football, major is undecided	HM Class 1A; 2nd Team TVL 10ppg, 10.4rpg (this year) Class 1A-DII State Champion
Zak Marten	Onaga	Attend KSU, major undecided	5.7ppg, 1.7apg, 36% 3pters (this yr)
T.J. Kocour	MH-MA	Attend KSU, major undecided	HM Class 3A; 1st Team DVL 16.3ppg, 7.1rpg, 2.9spg (this yr) 11 points in All-Star game
Troy Matson	Sabetha	Attend Mid-America Nazaren University and major in Criminal Justice	1st Team Class 3A; 1st Team Big 7 16ppg (this yr) 6 points in All-Star game
Josh Merz	Horton	Attend Highland CC and major in Ag Tech Management	HM Class 3A; 2nd Team DVL 16.6ppg, 11.4rpg, 2.9bpg (this yr) 10 points in All-Star game
Jacob Tanking	Holton	Attend Cloud County CC and major in Psychology	HM Big 7 7.2ppg, 1.7rpg, 1spg (this yr) 13 points in All-Star game

Dalton Minor	Jeff Co. North	Attend KSU, major undecided	2nd Team Class 2A;p 1st Team DVL 12.4ppg, 7rpg, 1.9apg (this yr) 19 points in All-Star game Team made Class 2A State tournament
Mitchell Walter	Washington Co.	undecided	3rd Team Class 2A; 2nd Team TVL 11+ 18+pt games (this yr) 4 points in All-Star game
Derek Nold	Riverside	undecided	HM Class 3A; HM DVL 9.4ppg, 9.7rpg, 3bpg (this yr) 2 points in All-Star game
Brock Watson	Valley Falls	Attend Kansas University and major in Physical Therapy	1st Team DVL 9.7ppg, 5.2apg (this yr) 22 points in All-Star game
Dylan Norris	Troy	Attend Highland CC, major undecided	7.3ppg, 7.9rpg, 3.3apg, 2.3spg (this yr) 4 points in All-Star game
Blaine Wilson	Riverside	Attend Butler CC, major is undecided	HM Class 3A; 2nd Team DVL 15.8ppg, 4.1rpg, 1.4apg (this yr)
Adam Sewell	Immaculata	undecided	HM Class 3A; 2nd Team DVL 7 points in All-Star game

Kooper Winterscheidt	Hiawatha	undecided	HM Class 4A; 1st Team Big 7 2 points in All-Star game
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