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April 2024 - Activities Director Board Report

Tomahawk High School:

The past month has been the transition period from Winter Sports finishing up and the start of the spring season. This past week has obviously brought some weather forcing postponements and cancellations across the early athletic schedule. Please pay attention to rschool as that will reflect the most up to date scheduling changes daily.

Track and Field is off to a solid start. The participation numbers are the highest they have been in years between the boys and girls team as we had over 60+ students sign up to participate. The girls’ program on paper looks to have a strong season with the returning distance runners from the GNC Cross Country Conference Championship team in the fall and a strong group of sprinters returning this season.

Softball is off to a 2-0 start to the season as they were able to get a couple games in at the Hodag Dome in Rhinelander prior to our school going on spring break. They are a very senior heavy team with experience returning to the diamond for Coach John Larson this season and will look to progress throughout the season and make a run in the WIAA tournament.

Baseball has had a new staff coming in this season to coach the students. Head Coach John Roberts takes over the helm, assisted by Tom Tollefson, Tom Kahle, Billy Jelinek, and Jason Olsen. They are looking to improve their record from last season and start another strong run for Tomahawk Baseball in the coming years. I am really excited about this staff and firmly believe they will have a positive impact for our students on the baseball team both on and off the field.

Golf is the last sport to get rolling this spring. Garth Gerstenberger returns as the Head Coach of the program that is also returning almost their entire lineup from last season that just missed qualifying for the WIAA Sectional as a team. With Inshalla Country Club adding the simulators, it has given the team an opportunity to start swinging the clubs indoors this year while we wait for the courses to clear so the students are able to start working on their individual games outdoors.

Forensics has qualified every individual in their respective speaking domains to the State competition in Deforest later this month out of their district competitions.

FBLA will also be completing their state competitions from the winter in the coming weeks.

Solo and Ensemble students will also be finishing up their winter activities at the state competition at UW-Stevens Point the first Saturday of May.

Lastly, Tomahawk High School was recognized by the WIAA in partnership with Rural Mutual Insurance with the Sportsmanship Award from the WIAA Boys’ State Hockey Tournament. This is the first time in any sport Tomahawk was recognized with the WIAA Sportsmanship Award. Also, in recent history, the Sportsmanship Award has not been

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presented for Boys' Hockey at the State Tournament so it really shows how wonderful our community was down in Middleton. This award does not just include the team, but the WIAA also looks at how the spectators behave, interactions with individuals associated with Tomahawk School District, the officials, players, how the team is at their hotel accommodations, Bob Suter Capitol Ice Arena Staff, and even the local businesses that may have crossed path with anyone associated with Tomahawk Hockey. I am extremely proud of our school and community for this award, and we will be getting presented at a later date with a trophy and a banner to hang in the gym. This just adds more memories and accomplishments to the Hockey team on their season both as competitors and as young adults. Again, I cannot say enough how significant this recognition is for our school and community and it really writes a wonderful ending to the 2023 - 2024 Hockey season.

Upcoming Dates - High School Activities (Home Events):

Mon. 4/8 - JV/V Baseball v. Crandon - 4:30 PM
Tues. 4/9 - JV/V Golf v. Invitational @ Inshalla Country Club - 4:30 PM
Tues. 4/9 - JV/V Softball v. Medford - 5:00 PM
Thurs. 4/11 - JV/V Baseball v. Northland Pines - 5:00 PM
Fri. 4/12 - JV/V Softball v. Mosinee - 4:00 PM
Mon. 4/15 - JV/V Baseball v. Medford - 5:00 PM
Sat. 4/20 - Forensics @ State Competition - Deforest
Mon. 4/22 - JV/V Softball v. Merrill - 4:30 PM
Mon. 4/22 - HS Band Concert - 7:00 PM
Tues. 4/23 - Golf v. Conference Meet @ Inshalla - 3:00 PM
Tues. 4/23 - JV/V Softball v. Rhinelander - 5:00 PM
Fri. 4/26 - JV Golf v. Conference Meet @ Inshalla - 3:00 PM
Fri. 4/26 - JV/V Baseball v. Lakeland - 5:00 PM
Sat. 4/27 - High School Prom
Mon. 4/29 - JV/V Baseball v. Mosinee - 5:00 PM
Tues. 4/30 - JV/V Softball v. Lakeland - 5:00 PM
Fri. 5/3 - JV/V Softball v. Northland Pines - 5:00 PM
Sat. 5/4 - State Solo and Ensemble @ UW-Stevens Point
Mon. 5 / 6 - Varsity Softball v. Three Lakes/Phelps - 5:00 PM
Tues. 5/7 - HS Boys/Girls Track v. Invitational - 4:15 PM
Tues. 5/7 - JV/V Baseball v. Antigo - 5:00 PM
Thurs. 5/9 - JV Baseball v. Pacelli - 4:30 PM
Thurs. 5/9 - JV/V Softball v. Antigo - 5:00 PM

Tomahawk Middle School:

Tomahawk Middle School activities are picking up this week with the only spring activity and that is Track and Field for the 6th - 8th Grade Boys and Girls. They have a full schedule this year that includes three home invitationals. The last invite on 5/16 will be the middle school GNC Conference Meet. The TMS student council will be providing concessions for the two home meets in May. The participation numbers have looked to increase based on sign-ups which hopefully will translate into the future of continuing to grow our track and field program.

Upcoming Dates - Middle School Activities (Home Events):

Mon. 4/22 - MS Track and Field v. Invitational - 4:00 PM

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Thurs. 5/2 - MS Track and Field v. Invitational - 4:00 PM

Thurs. 5/16 - MS Track and Field v. GNC MS Conference Meet - 4:00 PM

As always, thank you everyone for your time and efforts in representing our district and giving our students better opportunities of growth as they attend our schools. Remember, I have an open-door policy and you are always more than welcome to stop by or call in regards to anything Activities related in the school district.

Report Respectfully Submitted by:

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