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## June 2024 - Activities Director Board Report

### Tomahawk High School:

What a school year we had here at THS for our co-curriculars. The spring season finished great for the Hatchets, and we hit the trifecta of having state send offs for all three sport seasons this school year. Our students excelled at so many different levels throughout the year in our District, that when I reflect on the year, I could not be prouder of our students and community and what it means to be a Hatchet. Attached is a list of the overall accomplishments for our students in all activities, please refer to this with questions. I tried to keep it shorter than what it ultimately could be, but just summarizing individuals who advanced to state level competitions and or received individual awards. Some items may have been missed accidentally as we have a lot going on positively within our district walls.

The spring season was hit and miss with the weather and moving of games around the end of the school year, academic items, and completing seasons the best we could.

Baseball had their best finish in the GNC since 2018. The Hatchets under 1st year Coach John Roberts early in the year battled poor timing with scheduling and weather, along with students having college visits, and battling make up dates coinciding with other activities as always in the Spring Season. They were able to scrape together four conference wins, and were playing their best baseball down the stretch, including a tough out of the tournament in the WIAA playoffs against the conference championship team from Coleman.

Softball was very competitive throughout the season in the GNC. The GNC for softball is very underrated at times, as in Tomahawk’s non conference games, they knocked off multiple state ranked opponents throughout the season when they were able to leave the strong GNC play of the conference. The softball finished the year with a story that will last with the girls forever, while trying to jump in between rain storms and senior awards night, they were over halfway to their playoff game and then informed the field was unplayable. Weyauwega-Fremont School District went above and beyond to accommodate us on the WIAA make-up date, playing an early afternoon game, and the seniors were able to return in time for their senior awards.

Track and Field had a bounce back year this year for the program. We saw a significant increase in participation numbers for both the boys and girls programs. The Girls recaptured the GNC Conference Championship for the first time since 2014. Elise Gibeault broke the school record in the 200m and the 400m. The 4x200m Relay won the Sectional and broke the school record, the relay consisted of Faith Derleth, Halle Derleth, Alicia Voermans, and Elise Gibeault. Then finally another record was broken as Ayla McCormick finally broke the discus record she had been chasing since her freshman year. Elise Gibeault qualified for the WIAA State Meet in the 400m to join the record breaking 4x200m relay at the state meet. Kurt Cordova was named the GNC Coach of the Year for the team's effort. On the boys side, the number increase helped the boys to winning the Hatchet Invitational. Patrick Samundsen was the conference champion in the Shot Put to finish out his career, along with the 4x800 relay capturing a conference championship, the relay consisted of Jeremiah Johnson, Trey Morrison, Beau Stromberg, and Sam Zastrow.

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The golf team was truly the weather warriors of the spring season. I think almost every meet they had this season was either cold and windy with temperatures hovering around freezing, or else played in a steady rain throughout the season. The team overall is in a really good spot, with a lot of individuals that truly love the game of golf, and have a great group of freshmen coming in next season to help. Sawyer Hanna qualified for the WIAA Sectional Individually for the 3rd year in a row. Look for the Hatchets to be a team to contend with in the next coming years.

The Drama Department finished up their Spring Production of the Children's play over the past month, presenting to the younger school buildings and the public to finish out their year.

Remember, FCCLA members Emma Hoff, Morgan Kretzschmar, Riah Petta and Caylie Swan along with advisor Allison Ewart will be going out to Seattle, Washington at the end of the month to compete in the National FCCLA conference. Best of luck and safe travel to those individuals.

## **Tomahawk Middle School:**

The Tomahawk Middle School Track teams completed their spring season with Tomahawk hosting the GNC/WVC Small Track meet at Hatchet Field. The students competed very well on both sides to finish out their track season. The highlight of the meet was Ellie Micke setting a new school record in the high jump at 5'2", while also breaking the meet record of an event that has been established since the 1980's. The middle school track program had the most participants of all the middle school sports which hopefully translates to the future of our high school athletics and continued success that was laid this spring at the high school level.

## **Activities Director Notes:**

The only real note I have left, is a genuine thank you to all the staff members, community members, school faculty, and board members on their involvement in co-curricular activities at our school district. Our students are genuinely given the best opportunities during the educational process and we have a lot of individuals that make that work by giving up their time and a great effort for our students.

Lastly, I want to thank Nancy Herbison, Sarah Miller, Jeremy Baalke, Chris Bembinster, Katie Pintens, John Larson, Michele Balda, Shirley Derleth, Scot Neu, Jon Marin, Kyla Dotter, Bill Turgeon, Melissa Nieman, Katie Denton, Makayla Zipp, Matt Turkiewicz, Logan Rudis and any or all of our Coaches and Advisors who have retired, or moved on over the past year. These individuals should be noted for all of their time and efforts given to our students, and I truly thank them for being a part of the Hatchet Family. I am excited for what 2024 - 2025 holds for us here in the Tomahawk School District.

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