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## March 2024 - Activities Director Board Report

### Tomahawk High School:

Wow, that is all I can say about the past month at Tomahawk High School. Winter Sports have officially wrapped up this past week with all of our teams finished in the WIAA postseason. I cannot remember a winter like this in a lot of years as we were extremely active and successful in the Athletics end of the winter sports season. We actually went three weeks straight with state send offs for our students while recognizing the clubs contributions and successes during these send-offs.

- Boys' Swimming qualified two individuals for the WIAA State Swimming Tournament in Waukesha. Dane Dekiep finished 15th in the 100 yd backstroke and Zach Germano finished 16th in the 100 yd Breaststroke at the state meet. The 200 Yard Medley Relay also broke the school record at the WIAA Sectional Swim meet in Ashwaubenon just missing out on a state berth.
- Wrestling qualified one athlete for the WIAA Individual State Tournament in Madison. Elise Gibeault was our first ever qualifier for the WIAA Female State Tournament. In the past we have had most notably Alyssa Lampe qualify for the boys' tournament. We also hosted the WIAA Division 2 Sectional A for the first time in Tomahawk. We figure between ticket sales, wrestlers, team members, and workers we had over 1200 people in the fieldhouse. Huge thank you to the Tomahawk Wrestling Alumni Association, Joe Skubal, Nate Mickelson, the THS Wrestling Coaching staff, and countless others on this event. We had nothing but positive comments on how well the tournament ran, along with gratitude for the efforts of many. We learned, took notes, and hopefully get another opportunity to welcome 27 schools to our district in the future.
- Girls' Basketball hosted their first home WIAA playoff game since 2003, and defeated Sturgeon Bay High School 48-35 for their first WIAA postseason win since 2006.
- Boys' Basketball picked up a win down the stretch to finish out a tough year. We are graduating only two seniors, and will be returning the bulk of the roster going into next year.
- Hockey were Co-Champions of the Great Northern Conference, which was the school's first ever Conference Championship in the sport's 51 year history at THS. They also returned to the WIAA State Tournament in Madison for the first time since the "Dandy Dozen" in 1991. The team lost its semifinal game against New Richmond 8-4. The community was "buzzing" during sectional play and leading up to state. We were very well represented at the state tournament by community members, and have received numerous congratulations and compliments on our team's behavior and conduct in the state tournament. The team also got it done academically as they were crowned the Wisconsin Hockey Coaches Association - Academic State Champions for the 2023-2024 school year with a team cumulative GPA of 3.87. It was noted this was the second highest ever GPA for the team award. Austin Lamer was named the GNC Conference Player of the Year, along with the Joe Piskula Award as the top D2 Defenseman in the state of Wisconsin.

Along with the Winter Sports wrapping up in the High School, the Activities portion was just as busy with multiple students advancing out of regional competitions to their state events.

- FBLA was noted last month, with Ryan Larson and Elizabeth Lee both qualifying for FBLA State in April.

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- FCCLA had multiple individuals advance out of their regionals on their respective projects. Emma Hoff, Morgan Kretzschmar, Riah Petta, Makayla Schiltz and Caylie Swan.
- THS Drama Department finished up their musical Little Women last week with shows on Friday, Saturday, and a Sunday Matinee. If you have never gone to the musical production, I highly recommend it, as Corey Colburn, Makayla Zipp, and Michelle Balda did a wonderful job preparing the cast and crew for their performances. A ton of hard work and efforts go into that production from our students.
- Esports was featured on the State Esports Youtube page of their match against Watertown High School. The team won the game in dominating fashion and it was noted by Head Coach Levi Ott that the final score was amazing as teams do not get a perfect score very often in that game competition.
- National Honor Society is in the process of reviewing applicants for their new membership going into the 2024 - 2025 school year.
- Forensics advanced all of their participants out of sub-districts to the district level competitions in Tomahawk on March 16th.
- Huge Shoutout to Jon Marin and the pep band, as they played multiple times at basketball games, along with providing energy for the state send-offs we had over the past month. Coach Garrou complimented them at the wrestling one saying that it was the best the band has sounded in years. Thank You to them for providing school spirit.

Lastly, the spring sports season already started this week with Track and Field practice beginning. Softball starts the following Monday, then Baseball, and lastly Golf and we are on the homestretch of athletics for the 2023 - 2024 school year here in Tomahawk.

### **Upcoming Dates - High School Activities (Home Events):**

Mon. March 4 - High School Boys' and Girls' Track Begins  
 Mon. March 11 - High School Softball Begins  
 Sat. March 16 - District Forensics hosted by Tomahawk  
 Mon. March 18 - High School Baseball Begins  
 Mon. March 25 - High School Golf Begins  
 Tues. April 2 - JV/V Softball v. Mosinee - 5:00 PM  
 Tues. April 2 - JV/V Baseball v. Crandon - 4:30 PM  
 Tues. April 9 - V Golf v. Triangular @ Inshalla CC - 4:30 PM  
 Tues. April 9 - JV/V Softball v. Medford - 5:00 PM

### **Tomahawk Middle School:**

Middle School sports are in a transition period as Middle School Girls' Basketball finished up play for the season. Track and Field open to all 6th-8th Graders will begin in April under Head Coach Bob Garrou. They will have their first competitions the 3rd week of April and host the GNC Middle School Meet to finish out the season in May.

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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.

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