

November 2025 - Activities Director Board Report

Even though there has not been a lot of time to reflect on the past couple years for Tomahawk High School Sports, our student body continues to reach new heights and Raise the Bar of success for our programming in the High School. It has been a continued extension of our seasons into the next with so many achieving moments that as an athlete, you dream about growing up. The Fall Activities Season was just that, and another banner year for our school and community through the dedication, pursuit of excellence, and drive of our students and coaches. I truly hope the community and the school are enjoying the success of so many as they continue to represent Hatchet Pride to the highest of standards.

As our Fall programs continue to advance in their respective tournament series, we will also have the start of the Winter Sports Season this month prior to our first extended time off academically Thanksgiving Week.

Tomahawk High School:

Cross Country

- The Girls Team had a successful, but disappointing season. The injuries added up throughout the year, and we were never able to be at full health throughout the season. I hope the disappointment of the what-ifs becomes a driving factor for future success for our young runners.
 - Charlee Lund did qualify individually for the WIAA State Meet as a freshman and placed 48th at Wisconsin Rapids after a 5th place finish at the Merrill Sectional.
 - The Girls finished Runner-Up in the GNC to Medford with Charlee Lund and Abbie Rosenmeier being named 1st Team All-Conference. Joining them were Lydia Shaney and Norah Mann on Second Team, and Elise Gibeault returning from injury to gain Honorable Mention All-Conference Honors.
 - The Girls were able to jump Medford at the WIAA Sectional for a 4th place finish, but it was not enough to advance to Team State as the Top 2 Teams at the Sectionals Advance.
- The Boys Team continued to show the overall inexperience at the Varsity Level throughout the fall, but ultimately were running their best times when it mattered most down the stretch. Similar to the Girls program, Coach Ahrens has a lot of young talent on this team having some very successful seasons coming up for the Hatchets.
 - The Boys finished 4th at the GNC Meet with first year runner Caiden Reichelt gathering 2nd Team All-Conference Honors.
 - The boys then followed it up with their best finish at the WIAA Sectional Meet in Merrill in the last three seasons with a 5th Place finish. Caiden Reichelt continued is vast improvement over the season and just missed qualifying for the WIAA State Meet by 1 spot.

Football

- The Football Team has continued to rewrite the record books behind the 2025 GNC Coach of the Year Dewey Reilly and his staff. This community has not seen this much success in a season on the football field ever, and it is being done by an unselfish group of students who play for each other day in and day out.
 - Finished the regular season at 8-1 (6-1 GNC) and were the Co-Conference Champions
 - Tomahawk's first Conference Championship since 1989
 - Advanced to the WIAA Sectional Final (Level 3) for the first time since 2007, and only the 3rd time in school history we have reached the equivalent of the WIAA State Quarterfinals for our divisional placement (1990).

Rex Reilly was named GNC Defensive Player of the Year. Joining him on the All-Conference team were the following: Ethan Gibeault (1st Team - OL and DL), Jonah Dickens (1st Team - DB and 2nd-Team WR), Rex Reilly (1st Team - RB), Wally Horabik (1st Team - K), Kaiden Kapellusch (2nd Team - OL), Mikey Samundsen (2nd Team - DL and HM-OL), Tiegan Sarazin (2nd Team - LB and HM - RB), Nathan Norman (HM - OL), Jett Reilly (HM - QB and DB), Cash Olsen (HM - QB), Lucas Haring (HM - DE/OLB), and Max Larson (HM - RB)

Girls Swim and Dive

- The Girls Swim Team like their Cross Country counterparts has battled injury and low numbers throughout the season. This has allowed Coach Ava O'Hearn some flexibility to have girls try different events throughout the season as in the Dual Format of the GNC it is difficult to win when giving up points due to open lanes. They will look to advance some events to the WIAA State Meet in Waukesha this Saturday at the WIAA Sectional in Rice Lake.
 - There were no All-Conference Selections for the 2025 Season. Tomahawk finished in 6th Place this season. The Great Northern Conference was again dominated by Rhinelander as they continued their sustained success in the pool.

Volleyball

- Volleyball had a rollercoaster of a season. We started off very well in our nonconference early season tournaments. As the school year picked up and we got into the GNC portion of our schedule we were up and down throughout matches. We did receive a 4-Seed for the WIAA Tournament series in arguably the hardest Sectional in Division 3. We were upset at home by Marathon who we had defeated previously during the regular season.
 - Finished the year with a 14-18 Record (3 7 6th Place in the GNC)
 - Siennah Calkins dominated the nets for the year, and was chosen as the GNC Player of the Year by the Conference Coaches.
 - Joining her on the GNC All-Conference List for the second year was Setter Shelby Borowski as an Honorable Mention Selection.

One-Act Play

- The production of Epic Adventures in a Rinky-Dink Art Museum has once again advanced to Sectional Theatre Competition. The crew looks to on Thursday November 6 advance out to an unprecedented 10th Year in a Row qualifying for the State Theatre Competition.
- Their Public Performance will be on Tuesday November 18 7:00 PM in the High School Auditorium.

E-Sports

• E-Sports continues to advance individuals to the State Competition. Jacob Hilleman will be representing the Hatchets, along with Elliot O'Connor who has qualified for the 3rd straight year for the state competition.

FCCLA

- The FCCLA program attended a leadership conference this past month.
- They also were personally invited by the District Representative to attend the State Capitol Day coming up in January. Tomahawk will be represented at the State Capitol by Allison Ewart and two National Qualifying students in Siennah Calkins and Emma Hoff.
- Also preparing for their involvement in the Community Venison Feed to kick off the start of the traditional Wisconsin Deer Season in November.
- FCCLA Blood Drive Thursday November 20

National Honor Society

• The NHS provided community volunteer hours to help with yard clean up in town this past month.

Skills USA

 Along with FCCLA are preparing items to sell at the Tomahawk Venison Feed coming up in November.

UPCOMING HOME HIGH SCHOOL EVENTS:

Thurs. 11/6 - One-Act Play @ Oconto Falls - 1:00 PM - Sectional Theatre Competition

Fri. 11/7 - Varsity Football v. Stratford - 7:00 PM (Hatchet Field) - WIAA Sectional Final

Sat. 11/8 - Varsity Girls Swim and Dive @ Rice Lake - 1:00 PM - WIAA Sectional Meet

Mon. 11/10 - Boys Hockey and Girls Basketball Season Begins

Tues. 11/11 - TSD Veterans Day Program - 10:30 AM (TSD Auditorium)

Fri. 11/14 - TBD - Varsity Swim and Dive @ Waukesha South - WIAA State Meet - 5:30 PM

Fri. 11/14 - TBD - Varsity Football @ Chippewa Falls v. TBD - WIAA State Semifinals

Sat. 11/15 - THS Band / Choir @ Mosinee - GNC Honors Program - 5:00 PM

Mon. 11/17 - Boys Basketball, Boys Swim and Dive, Boys Wrestling, and Girls Wrestling Begins

Tues. 11/18 - One-Act Play Public Performance - 7:00 PM (TSD Auditorium)

Thurs. 11/20 - TBD - Varsity Football @ Madison - WIAA State Football Finals - 4:00 PM

Thurs. 11/20 - FCCLA Blood Drive - 8:00 AM (TSD Multipurpose Room)

Thurs. 11/20 - Sat. 11/22 - TBD - One-Act Play @ UW-Stevens Point - State Theatre Competition

Mon. 11/24 - JV/V Boys Basketball v. Newman Catholic - 4:00 PM - Scrimmage - TSD Fieldhouse

Tues. 12/2 - JV/V Girls Basketball v. Medford - 5:45 / 7:15 PM (TSD Fieldhouse)

Thurs. 12/4 - JV/V Boys Wrestling v. Lakeland/Athens - 5:30 PM (TSD Fieldhouse)

Thurs. 12/4 - Varsity Hockey v. Rhinelander - 7:00 PM (Sara Park Activity Center)

Fri. 12/5 - JV2/JV/V Boys Basketball v. Antigo - 5:45 PM / 7:15 PM (TSD HS Gym / Fieldhouse)

Sat. 12/6 - JV2/JV/V Boys Basketball v. Black River Falls - 1:00 PM / 3:00 PM (TSD HS Gym / Fieldhouse)

Tues. 12/9 - JV/V Hockey v. Northland Pines - 4:45 PM / 7:00 PM (Sara Park Activity Center)

Tues. 12/9 - JV/V Boys Basketball v. Tigerton - 5:30 PM / 7:00 PM (TSD Fieldhouse)

Tomahawk Middle School:

Boys Basketball

• The season and game play is already underway for the TMS Boys Basketball Season. We have approximately 20 students participating in basketball this early winter season. The Coaching Staff has been doing a wonderful job providing an inviting environment and working with the players on their growth within the program.

UPCOMING HOME MIDDLE SCHOOL EVENTS:

Fri. 11/7 - MS Boys Basketball v. Merrill - 4:00 PM / 5:00 PM (TSD HS Gym)

Tues. 11/11 - TSD Veterans Day Program - 10:30 AM (TSD Auditorium)

Thurs. 11/13 - MS Boys Basketball v. DC Everest - 4:00 PM / 5:00 PM (TSD HS Gym)

Thurs. 11/20 - MS Boys Basketball v. Mosinee - 4:00 PM / 5:00 PM (TSD HS Gym)

Mon. 12/1 - MS Boys Basketball v. Antigo - 4:00 PM / 5:00 PM (TSD HS Gym)

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.

GO HATCHETS!

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