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## December 2024 - Activities Director Board Report

### Tomahawk High School:

The One-Act Play concluded their season on Friday November 22 at the State Theatre Competition in Milwaukee. The drama program represented the district to the highest of standards and took home many awards and honors for their performance of Ten Actors in Search of a Cell Phone. The group received the Critic’s Choice Award for their efforts which equates to essentially the State Championship at the State Theatre Level. The group also took home the Outstanding Ensemble and Outstanding Technical awards. In addition, Directors, Michele Balda and Corey Colburn received Outstanding Director Awards. Lastly, Alena Cerkas, Landon Plantenberg, Sadie Ruder, and Maddie Long were recognized individually with Outstanding Actor Awards. Congratulations to the cast and crew on these outstanding honors, and their hard work and dedication throughout the season to put on such a wonderful show for the public and student body at the Tomahawk School District.

Winter sports are in full swing coming out of the Thanksgiving break. Girls Basketball is off to a 2-0 start, while also picking up their first GNC Conference win since 2019. Hockey is also off to a great start this season, as they faced two sectional finalists from the previous season at the Amery Thanksgiving Tournament, picking up two wins and establishing themselves as a potential contender in the WIAA Division 2 Field for the season. In addition to the Varsity’s good start, this season the hockey program will be supporting a full JV schedule with the increased participation in the sport. Boys’ Basketball begins their games this week, starting off with a loss at Tigerton. Unfortunately, we will not be providing a JV2 program this season due to low numbers in the program and being able to provide the opportunities for more games without the risk of the student-athlete’s health. Wrestling continues to prepare for their first competitions of the season. The Girls’ Wrestling program was featured on the Wisconsin Wrestlers Podcast on the continued growth of the program and the exceptional numbers we have. With the growth of the girls side of the program, we also saw an increase of our male students wanting to be a part of the wrestling community. Lastly, Boys’ Swimming is off to a 1-0 start to their season after an opening night dual win over Antigo. Similar to other sports, we have an increased number of boys in the swim program this winter from previous years, and they look to compete towards the top of the Great Northern Conference.

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

- Mon. December 9 - THS Band Christmas Concerts - 7:00 PM (TSD Fieldhouse)
- Tues. December 10 - Varsity Girls’ Basketball v. Elcho - 6:00 PM (TSD Fieldhouse)
- Tues. December 10 - Varsity Boys’ Basketball v. Elcho - 8:00 PM (TSD Fieldhouse)
- Thurs. December 12 - Varsity Boys’ Swimming v. Rhinelander - 5:30 PM (TSD Swimming Pool)
- Fri. December 13 - JV/V Girls’ Basketball v. Three Lakes - 5:45 PM / 8:00 PM (HS Gym / TSD Fieldhouse)
- Fri. December 13 - JV/V Boys’ Basketball v. Three Lakes - 4:45 PM / 6:00 PM (TSD Fieldhouse)
- Fri. December 13 - JV/V Boys’ Hockey v. Marshfield - 4:45 PM / 7:00 PM (Sara Park Activity Center) - Presentation by Rural Mutual Insurance / WIAA on Sportsmanship Award for the 2024 State Tournament
- Mon. December 16 - THS Choir Christmas Concert - 7:00 PM (TSD Auditorium)
- Thurs. December 19 - Varsity Boys’ Hockey v. Medford - 7:00 PM (Sara Park Activity Center)

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Fri. December 20 - JV/V Girls' Basketball v. Rhinelander - 5:45 PM / 7:15 PM (TSD Fieldhouse)  
 Sat. December 21 - Varsity Boys' Hockey v. West Bend - 1:00 PM (Sara Park Activity Center)  
 Fri. December 27 - Varsity Girls' Basketball v. Holiday Tournament - TBD (TSD Fieldhouse)  
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 Sat. December 28 - Varsity Girls' Basketball v. Holiday Tournament - TBD (TSD Fieldhouse)  
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 Fri. January 3 - Varsity Boys' Basketball v. Faith Christian Academy - 7:00 PM (TSD Fieldhouse)  
 Tues. January 7 - JV/V Boys' Basketball v. Lakeland Union - 5:45 PM / 7:15 PM (TSD Fieldhouse)  
 Tues. January 7 - Varsity Boys' Hockey v. Pacelli - 7:00 PM (Sara Park Activity Center)  
 Thurs. January 9 - Varsity Boys' Swimming v. Medford/Antigo - 5:30 PM (TSD Swimming Pool)  
 Fri. January 10 - JV/V Girls' Basketball v. Mosinee - 5:45 PM / 7:15 PM (TSD Fieldhouse)

## **Tomahawk Middle School:**

Middle School Boys' Basketball will be finishing up their 2024 season this month. There have been a lot of schedule changes throughout the season to accommodate differing school activities both in Tomahawk and at opposing schools. I am really thankful for the Athletic Directors in the area and our communication amongst each other to give these students opportunities. The numbers have remained strong through the season with students participating and I am looking forward to this group entering the high school program in the years to come.

Middle School Wrestling sign-up has been going on, with a good mix of male and female students signing up. They will begin practice on January 2 when we return from Winter Break for their Middle School Season.

Currently, we are working on putting together a Girls' Schedule for the season. We have enough interest from students to have one team at TMS when we get back from Winter Break. We are going to look to provide 8-10 games for the girls so they are able to have sufficient practice time for development without getting burned out with competitions.

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

Mon. December 9 - TMS Band Christmas Concert - 6:00 PM (TSD Fieldhouse)  
 Thurs. December 12 - 7th/8th Grade Boys' Basketball v. Merrill - 4:00 PM / 5:00 PM (HS Gym)  
 Mon. December 16 - 7th/8th Grade Boys' Basketball v. Medford - 4:00 PM / 5:00 PM (HS Gym)  
 Mon. December 16 - TMS Choir Concert - 6:00 PM (TSD Auditorium)

## **Activities Director Notes:**

Tomahawk High School was represented by Claire Albert, Jack Amelse, Siennah Calkins, Ethan Gibeault, Elise Gibeault, and Tiegan Sarazin at the first GNC Sportsmanship Summit at Northland Pines High School. It was a great day of collaboration amongst student-athletes from the conference schools. Our students were some of the most vocal students at the conference and represented us greatly. I am looking forward to the ideas they talked about doing and implementing back at our district to take ownership, and implementation of positive competition, leadership, and sportsmanship while competing in co-curricular activities.

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Friday December 13, we will have a representative from the WIAA along with a representative from Rural Mutual to do the formal presentation of the Boys' Hockey Sportsmanship Award from the 2024 State Tournament Series at the Home Games v. Marshfield at Sara Park Activity Center. It will be a great night for our Community, Coach Reilly, and the Hatchet Players on that accomplishment from last season.

As always, if you have any questions or need additional information, feel free to contact me at any time!

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS!  
GO HATCHETS!

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