2024 Fall Sports Report

Football

Coaches:

Trevor Higgins (HC)
Cody McLaughlin (DC)

Wyatt Henschen

Denny Pastor

Kyle Anderson

Austin Gruber

Danny Higgins

Garrett Claxon

Brett Etchinson

Players: Overall: 53 Seniors: 12 Juniors: 12

Sophomores: 10 Freshmen: 19

Varsity Record: 10-2 (Quarterfinal appearance)

JV Record: 6-2

Freshman Record: 6-0

Student Athlete Highlights:

Isaiah Harbert - Career records for solo tackles (207) and total tackles (384)

Cash Lynch - Tied single-season records for interceptions (7)

Tyler Rench - Single-season record for sacks (11)

First Team All-Conference: Cash Lynch, Wyatt Kile, Roaran Lees, Tyler Rench

Second Team All-Conference: Sam Sims, Isaiah Harbert, Griffin Vits, Kamden Brown Third Team All-Conference: Riley Durbin, Carter Barber, Cayden Durbin, Jaedyn Wills

Team Highlights:

Share of South Central Conference Championship

Appearance in IHSA Playoff Quarterfinals

6th time in school history winning 10 or more games

Coach Highlights:

Trevor Higgins - Career wins record at Pana High School (78)

Volleyball

Coaches:

Greg Cothern (HC) Kelsey Schneider Abby Kuhn Autumn Amling Mary Cothern

Players: Overall: 26 Seniors: 4 Juniors: 8 Sophomores: 2

Freshmen: 12

Varsity Record: 27-9 JV Record: 16-3

Freshman Record: 26-2

Student Athlete Highlights:

Reagan McGlauchlen - 5th place single-season kills (285)

Izzy Reed - 2nd place career assists (1,324)

Kennedy Bowker - 2nd place single season digs (419) and 2nd place career digs (759)

First Team All-Conference: Izzy Reed

Second Team All-Conference: Kennedy Bowker Third Team All-Conference: Reagan McGlauchlen

Team Highlights:

Tied for 10th most single-season wins (27)

Third Place Mattoon Invite

Second Place Shelbyville Invite

Third Place Pana Invite

First Place Pana F/S Tournament

Second Place Pana F/S Invite

First Place CHBC F/S Invite

Coach Highlights:

Greg Cothern: 300th career win at Pana Total Coaching Staff Record: 69-14

Golf

Coaches:

Greg Witsman (HC)

Paul Donahue

Players: Overall: 26 Seniors: 3 Juniors: 8

Sophomores: 6 Freshmen: 9

Student Athlete Highlights:

Sectional Qualifiers:

Dallas Hubbartt, Dane Epley, Madyx Angel, Easton Malisia, Carder Burris, and Kezdyn Russell Brianna Mathis

Team Highlights:

Boys Golf: First boys team to qualify for sectionals

Every golfer got to play in varsity matches at some point

Coach Highlights:

First boys coach to lead a team to sectionals High participation and buy-in from student athletes Kids worked hard at practice

Boys Soccer

Coaches:

Steven Thompson (HC)

Brady Hamilton

Players: Overall: 20 Seniors: 5 Juniors: 5 Sophomores: 4

Freshmen: 6

Varsity Record: 7-13-2

JV Record: 1-4

Student Athlete Highlights:

Second Team All-Conference: Fabrizio Olivero

Fabrizio Olivero - 4 goals in 1 game

Team Highlights:

5th most single-season wins (7)

Four shutout wins

First 9-0 mercy rule victory

Tie vs. Newton

Coach Highlights:

Most single-season wins for Steven Thompson

Record vs. Taylorville improved to 2-2 (second straight year winning Battle of Route 29 Plaque)

Cross Country

Coaches:

Rosilyn Schutt (Co-HC) Robert Butler (Co-HC)

Players: Overall: 4 Freshmen: 3 Sophomores: 1

Student Athlete Highlights:

Shelbyville Trail Invite - Kadance Rochkes finished 20th and received a medal

Dave Holden Open - Amber Smith finished 5th and Kadence Rochkes finished 4th (ribbons)

Wood River Glow Invite:

Madison Wilkins - 12th in sophomore race

Amber Smith - 5th in freshman race

Kadence Rochkes - 3rd in freshman race

Carlinville Invite - Amber Smith finished 30th and Kadence Rochkes finished 14th (medals)

Amber Smith - All-Conference team (9th place in conference meet)

Kadence Rochkes - qualified for sectionals

Team Highlights:

All runners participated in optional summer running

Coach Highlights:

Doubled participation from 2023

First year coaches received complete buy-in from student athletes.

Junior High Softball

Coaches:

Ashley Karnes (HC) Nathan Denton

Players: Overall: 17 8th Graders: 6 7th Graders: 10 6th Graders: 1

Record: 14-3

Student Athlete Highlights:

Joli Morrison - Led team in batting average (.446), hits (25), and RBIs (27). Team leader Aubree Bird - Caught 95 ½ innings, only 13 passed balls. Fielding % of .992, 26 stolen bases

Team Highlights:

Conference Champions
Regional season record of 13-2, final record of 14-3
Zero attitude issues, no academic ineligibility, no disciplinary actions

Coach Highlights:

Girls accepted new coaching staff and program with open minds Accomplished beginning of season goal of a 13-2 regular season record Got girls to embrace and live the motto, "earned not given"

Junior High Baseball

Coaches: Mike Malisia (HC) Justin Matthews Tim Miller

Players: Overall: 20 8th Graders: 3 7th Graders: 7 6th Graders: 10

Record: 1-9

Student Athlete Highlights: Layne Brownback - MVP as a 6th grader Jeff Scoles pitched well throughout the year

Team Highlights:

Played several close games with a lot of 6th graders playing a lot Learned difference between park league baseball and junior high competition No ineligible players, no discipline issues, no drama

Coach Highlights:

Started and finished the season with 20 baseball players Worked well with new assistant coach Justin Matthews