# Vicksburg High School Athletics Highlights 2018-2019

#### **ATHLETIC HIGHLIGHTS**

The student-athletes of the 2018-19 school year have continued to build on the traditions of the past, all the while raising the bar for future generations. As with previous years, student-athletes have continued to reap the benefits of participation in interscholastic athletics including, but not limited to, character, discipline, leadership, teamwork, and sportsmanship. The Vicksburg Community Schools' coaches continue to expect our student-athletes to be quality citizens, model students and hard-working athletes; and our athletes have answered that call.

The Vicksburg Community Schools' athletic program has many people to thank for its continued success this year. The first and most obvious goes to the coaches for their countless hours of dedicated service both on and off the field.

The next note of thanks goes to Daniel Isaacs who has been with Vicksburg High School, via WMU/Bronson Healthcare Group, this past year and continues to go above and beyond the call of duty for our student-athletes in order to best ensure their safety and speedy recovery from injuries.

In addition, Rhonda VanderKamp coordinates the many tasks of the athletic department. Here are just a few of the many jobs that Rhonda does to help the athletic department run smoothly: on a daily basis she provides the coaches and me with the comfort of knowing that paperwork will be on time and completed accurately, that schedule conflicts will be minimal or avoided due to the double checks she makes, cash boxes, rosters, and eligibility documents are ready and accurate. Moreover, Rhonda assures officials will be here for scheduled contests by following-up with those officials prior to the contest.

Special recognition should be given to the transportation, maintenance, grounds, and custodial department for their efforts. Without them athletics would not be possible.

Finally, I would like to the thank the administration, including you, the Board of Education; High School Principal, Mr. Adam Brush; High School Assistant Principal, Mr. Matt Hawkins; VMS Middle School administrators Mr. Matt VanDussen and Mr. Dennis Kirby, and VCS' Superintendent, Keevin O'Neill, for their continued support, confidence and leadership that enables me to do the best job I can for the student-athletes of Vicksburg Community Schools.

As you will see in the attached pages, Vicksburg Community Schools has had another very successful year in athletics.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Roy, CMAA Athletic Administrator

#### <u>Mission Statement</u>

The role of interscholastic athletics in the Vicksburg Community Schools is to provide an educational experience in the framework of competitive athletics

#### **VISION STATEMENT**

#### We are committed to the HABITS OF A CHAMPION

#### **MHSAA Committees Served**

Tennis Soccer Officials Wrestling Officials Assignment Football Playoff Officials Assignments Officials Review Committee

#### WHAT CAN CHILDREN LEARN THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN SPORTS?

Fundamental Motor Skills – Skills for Recreation and Leisure Social Competence – Moral Integrity Loyalty to a Common Cause – Respect for Others Respect for the Letter and Spirit of Rules Emotional Stability Under Stress Enjoyment of Competition Accepting of Constructive Criticism Respect for Authority – Positive Self-Concept Excerpt taken from <u>Fair Play..."Let's Get Back to the Game"</u>

#### VICKSBURG HIGH SCHOOL HAS DEMONSTRATED A LEADERSHIP ROLE AS A HOST IN THE FOLLOWING TOURNAMENTS:

#### **MHSAA Tournaments**

Football Semi-Final Volleyball Regional Boys Team Regional Bowling Girls Team Regional Bowling Boys Individual Regional Bowling Girls Individual Regional Bowling

#### Wolverine Conference Tournaments

JV Boys Tennis

#### **Greater Kalamazoo Tournaments**

Girls Golf Boys Golf

### Special Honors and Accomplishments

#### SUSAN LITTLE AWARD

Each year, Vicksburg High School presents this award to the *most outstanding female athlete in her graduating class*. This award is given as a memorial to the late Susan Little.

#### Mia Mulhearn

#### C.F. LINTON AWARD

This award is presented each year as a memorial to the late C.F. Linton, former teacher, principal and coach. It is presented to the *most outstanding senior male athlete*.

Casey Hall

#### Evelyn Brockway Booster Scholarships (Bingo Fundraiser)

Each year the Vicksburg Athletic Booster Club Awards six \$500 scholarships and two \$1,000 scholarships. These awards are presented to four male and female athletes. Coaches along with the Athletic Director vote to determine the \$1,000 recipients basic on athletic achievements and character. To be eligible, the student must be a senior, a 4-letter winner and must have been accepted by an institution of higher education.

\$1,000	Mia Mulhearn	Casey Hall
\$500	Grace Wile	Joey McCowen
\$500	Kali Yant	Sam Gearig
\$500	Maia Fleck	Kyle Kelly

<u>United States Marine Corp. Distinguished</u> <u>Athlete Award</u>	<u>United States Air Force Scholar Athlete</u> <u>Award</u>	MIAAA Academic Achievement Award
<u>Devon 'Devo" Smiley Scholarship</u>	<u>Jack Moss Scholarship</u> Nick Swope	<u>All Wolverine Academic Team</u> Mia Mulhearn Casey Hall

#### **MHSAA SCHOLAR-ATHLETE AWARD NOMINEES**

Zoe Blough	Madeleine Geiger	Kali Yant	Mia Mulhearn
Casey Hall	Kyle Kelly	Aaron Phelps	Tyler Vallier

### **FALL SPORTS**

### Team Summaries

<b>Football</b> Coach: <i>Tom Marchese (11<sup>1h</sup> Year)</i> Conference Record: 3-6 Conference Finish: 7 <sup>th</sup> Overall Record: 3-6 MVP: Caleb Welch MIP: Jacob Conklin	VolleyballCoach: Katrina Miller (9 <sup>th</sup> Year)Wolverine Finish: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wolverine Record: 7-2Overall Record: 26-17-6MVP: Kaytee HarveyMIP: Sarah SutterACADEMIC ALL-STATEKatrina Miller- WC Coach of the Year	<b>Boys Tennis</b> Coach: <i>Warner Offord (11<sup>th</sup> Year)</i> Wolverine Finish: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Divisional Finish: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Divisional Record: 2-1 Regional Finish: 3 <sup>rd</sup> MVP: Ayden Flickinger/Sam Gearig MIP: Jonathan Perkins/Corbin Wallace ACADEMIC ALL-STATE
<b>Boys Cross Country</b> Coach: <i>Lucas Wolthuis (3<sup>rd</sup> Year)</i> Dual Meet Results: 5-4 Conference Meet Results: 5 <sup>th</sup> Conference Final Standings: 5 <sup>th</sup> Regional Finish: 10 <sup>th</sup> MVP: Kyle Kelly MIP: Jacob Malocha	<u>Girls Cross Country</u> Coach: <i>Lucas Wolthuis (3<sup>rd</sup> Year)</i> Dual Meet Results: 6-3 Conference Meet Results: 7 <sup>th</sup> Conference Final Standings: 5 <sup>th</sup> Regional Finish: 12 <sup>th</sup> MVP: Sawyer Barton MIP: Avalee Goodman	<b>Boys Soccer</b> Coach: <i>Lahou Boulnemour (2<sup>nd</sup> Year)</i> Wolverine Finish: 10 <sup>th</sup> Wolverine Record: 0-8-1 Overall Record: MVP: Maxwell Tidey MIP: Robert Gruber
<u><b>Girls Golf</b></u> Coach: <i>Brodie Hock (3<sup>rd</sup> Year)</i> Jamboree Finish: 8 <sup>th</sup> Wolverine Tournament Finish: 8 <sup>th</sup> Wolverine Place: 8 <sup>th</sup> MVP: Madison Aguillon MIP: Megan Bresnahan	Equestrian Coach: <i>Mike Fleetwood (1<sup>st</sup> Year)</i> MVP: Anna Freund MIP: Sierra Field	<u>Cheerleading</u> Coach: <i>Stacy Childs (5<sup>th</sup> Team)</i> MVP: Eden Bowling MIP: Dawnara Rollins

### FALL SPORTS

#### Wolverine All-Conference Honors

<u>Sport</u>	1 <sup>st</sup> Team All-Conference	2 <sup>nd</sup> Team All-Conference	Honorable Mention All-Conference
Boys Cross	Keagan Ellsworth		
Country			
Girls Cross	Sawyer Barton		
Country			
Boys Tennis	Sam Gearig	Ayden Flickinger, Corbin Wallace,	
		Jonathan Perkins	
Girls Golf			
Boys Soccer		Joe Brady	Maxwell Tidey, Ethan Cox, Mitchel
			Vandermulen
Volleyball	Kaytee Harvey, Rylie Richter	Camille Wadley, Grace Wile	Chloe Hatridge, Hannah Vallier
Football	Caleb Welch, Kyle Rose	Grant Deal, Jacob Conklin	Shane Earl, Chase Myers

Student/Athlete	<u>Sport</u>	Special Honors
Kaytee Harvey	Volleyball	Athlete of the Month- September, MIVCA All-Region Team, MIVCA Academic All-State
Joey McCowen	Football	Athlete of the Month- September
Grace Wile	Volleyball	Athlete of the Month- October
Maxwell Tidey	Soccer	Athlete of the Month- October
Camille Wadley	Volleyball	Athlete of the Month- November
Sam Gearing	Tennis	Athlete of the Month- November
Anna Freund	Equestrian	All District Team, Top 10 Overall, English Showmanship Reserve Champion, Western Bareback
		Champion, Western Equitation Champion.
Ally Barga	Equestrian	All District Team, Top 10 Overall, Reserve Champion Junior Rider, Reserve Champion Barrels,
		Reserve Champion Reining, Champion Flag race, Champion 2 Person Relay Race
Torie Barga	Equestrian	All District Team, Reserve Champion Freshman Rider, Champion Keyhole Race, Champion Barrels,
		Champion 2 Person Relay Race
Caleb Welch	Football	Hemi-Muscle Athlete of the Week, Addix All-Star game
Grant Deal	Football	Addix All-Star game
Shane Earl	Football	Addix All-Star game
Rylie Richter	Volleyball	MIVCA All-Region Team
Grace Wile	Volleyball	MIVCA Academic All-State

### Fall Wolverine Conference Champions

<b>Boys Cross County</b>	Otsego	Girls Cross Country	Otsego
Boys Soccer	Plainwell	Girls Golf	Sturgis
Boys Tennis	Allegan	Volleyball	Edwardsburg
Football	Edwardsburg		

### WINTER SPORTS

Team Summaries

<b>Boys Basketball</b> Coach: Jeff Lovell (2 <sup>nd</sup> Year) Michael Roy (1 <sup>st</sup> Year) Wolverine Finish: 7th Wolverine Division: 4th Wolverine Overall Record: 7-7 Overall Record: 8-13 MVP: Kyle Rose MIP: Chase Myers	<b>Boys Bowling</b> Coach: James Myers (3 <sup>rd</sup> Year) Wolverine Conference Dual: 5 <sup>th</sup> Wolverine Tournament: 5 <sup>th</sup> Wolverine Final Standings: 5 <sup>th</sup> MVP: Hunter Bierema MIP: Regan Powell	Wrestling Coach: Jeff Mohney (2 <sup>nd</sup> Year) Wolverine Finish: 10 <sup>th</sup> Wolverine Record: 0-7 Wolverine Tournament Finish: 10 <sup>th</sup> Overall Record: MVP: Collin Hassenger MIP: Tyler Buddemeier
Girls Basketball Coach: Tim Kirby (1 <sup>st</sup> Year) Wolverine Finish: 7 <sup>th</sup> Wolverine Division: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wolverine Overall Record: 7-7 Overall Record: 10-11 MVP: Hannah Vallier MIP: Paige Yant Team Academic All-State	<u>Girls Bowling</u> Coach: James Myers (3 <sup>rd</sup> Year) Wolverine Conference Dual: 7 <sup>th</sup> Wolverine Tournament: 7 <sup>th</sup> Wolverine Final Standings: 7 <sup>th</sup> MVP: Samantha Cox MIP: Samantha Fritz Team Academic All-State	Competitive Cheer Coach: Stacy Childs (11 <sup>th</sup> Year) Wolverine Place: 7 <sup>th</sup> MVP: Dawnara Rollins MIP: Emily Stanley Team Academic All-State (10 <sup>th</sup> Consecutive Year)

### WINTER SPORTS

Wolverine All-Conference Honors

<u>Sport</u>	1 <sup>st</sup> Team All-Conference	2 <sup>nd</sup> Team All-Conference	Honorable Mention All- Conference
Boys Bowling			
Girls Bowling			Samantha Cox
Boys Basketball		Kyle Rose	Jacob Conklin
Girls Basketball		Hannah Vallier	Madeleine Geiger
Wrestling		Collin Hassenger	Griffin Day, Luke Becker
Competitive Cheer		Dawnara Rollins	Eden Bowling

## Winter Wolverine Conference Champions

Sport	Division	Conference
Boys Bowling		Sturgis
Girls Bowling		Otsego
Boys Basketball	Sturgis- South/Otsego- North	Otsego
Girls Basketball	Edwardsburg- South/Otsego	Edwardsburg
Wrestling		Edwardsburg
Competitive Cheer		Paw Paw

### Special Honor Student-Athlete

#### **Student/Athlete**

Dawnara Rollins

Cashlee Price Eden Boling Collin Hassenger Madeleine Geiger Kyle Rose

<u>Sport</u>

Comp. Cheer

Comp. Cheer

Girls Basketball

Boys Basketball

Wrestling

Comp. Cheer

#### **Special Honors**

Academic All-State, December South County Athlete of the Month Academic All-State April South County Athlete of the Month December South County Athlete of the Month February South County Athlete of the Month

February South County Athlete of the Month

### **SPRING SPORTS**

Team Summaries

BaseballCoach: Brian Deal (22 <sup>nd</sup> Year)Wolverine Finish: 8 <sup>th</sup> Wolverine Record: 5-13Overall Record: 8-26MVP: Jacob ConklinMIP: Brendan Monroe	SoftballCoach: Paul Gephart (7th Year)Wolverine Finish: 2ndWolverine Record: 14-4Overall Record: 24-14MVP: Payton LewisMIP: Hannah VallierAcademic All-State (6th Consecutive Year)District Coach of the Year	<u><b>Girls Soccer</b></u> Coach: Mike Moldovan (6th Year) Wolverine Finish: 4 <sup>th</sup> Wolverine Record: 5-3-1 Overall Record: 7-10-1 MVP: Haley Town MIP: Hailey McConnaghy Academic All-State
Boys Lacrosse Coach: Michael Malloy (1 <sup>st</sup> Year) Conference Record: 6-1 Conference Finish: 1 <sup>st</sup> Overall Record: 9-9 MVP: Jack Tomer MIP: Ben Dilly Honorable Mention Academic All-State	<u>Girls Lacrosse</u> Coach: <i>Charlie Glascock (4<sup>th</sup> Year)</i> Overall Record: 1-15 MVP: Bella Pence MIP: Norah Palomaki	<u>Girls Tennis</u> Coach: Warner Offord (12 <sup>th</sup> Year) Wolverine Finish: 5 <sup>th</sup> Divisional Finish: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Divisional Record: 2-2 Regional Finish: 5 <sup>th</sup> MVP: Adeline Reno MIP: Frances Howard, Marisa Oppedisano Academic All-State
Boys Track Coaches: Dave Smith (23 <sup>rdd</sup> Year) & Jon Kachniewicz (44 <sup>th</sup> Year) Wolverine Place: 5 <sup>th</sup> Regional Finish: MVP: Levi Thomas MIP: Kyler Dean	<u>Girls Track</u> Coach: <i>Lucas Wolhuis (5<sup>th</sup> Year)</i> Wolverine Place: 1 <sup>st</sup> Regional Finish: MVP: Mia Mulhearn MIP: Micayla Bozeman	Boys Golf Coach: <i>Rob Johnson (26<sup>th</sup> Year)</i> Wolverine Finish: 10 <sup>th</sup> MVP: Taylor Harvey MIP: Matthew Simonds
Boys Clay Target Coach: Kip Young Conference Record: 5-0 Conference Finish: 1 <sup>st</sup> MVP: Jeffery Hoagg MIP: Ethan Emmerich	Girls Clay Target Coach: Kip Young Conference Record: Conference Finish: MVP: MIP:	

### **SPRING SPORTS**

Wolverine All-Conference Honors

Sport	1 <sup>st</sup> Team Student-Athlete	2 <sup>nd</sup> Team Student-Athlete	Honorable Mention
Baseball	Jacob Conklin	Joey McCowen	
Boys Golf	Taylor Harvey		
Boy's Lacrosse	Mike Kessler, Krew Conroy, Kyle Kelly	Sam Gearig	Jack Tomer
Boys Track	Levi Thomas		Casey Hall, Jacob Malocha, Jonathon Perkins, Shawn Knauer, Ben Welch
Girls Soccer	Chloe Hatridge	Hailey McConnaghy, Leah Johnson	Dawnare Rollings, Alaina Wurfel, Haley Town
<u>Softball</u>	Kelsey Diekman, Camille Wadley, Payton Lewis	Kali Yant, Tailynn Knapp	Remi O'Neill
Girls Tennis			Zoe Blough
<u>Girls Track</u>	Megan Kendall, Sam Richardson, Grace Wile, Riley- Ann Bierema, Amelia Ruger, Kinsay Riddle, Mia Mulhearn, Micayla Bozeman	Cate Curtis	Sawyer Barton, Avalee Goodman, Gracie Cornett, Hannah Fenwick, Ella Mitchell, Megan Bresnahan, Madeleine Geiger
Girls Clay Target			
Boys Clay Target	Jeffery Hoagg, Andrew Pratt, Glen Rhyner, Trevor Young, Eliot Pierce, Lucas Cannizzaro, Caleb Kosak, JP Fritz,		

### **Spring Conference Champions**

Baseball	Edwardsburg/Otsego	Softball	Edwardsburg
Boys Track	Otsego	Girls Track	Vicksburg/Otsego
Boys Golf	Edwardsburg	Girls Tennis	Allegan
		Girls Soccer	Otsego
Boys Lacrosse	Vicksburg	Girls Lacrosse	N/A
Boys Clay Target	Vicksburg	Girls Clay Target	

# Special Honor Student-Athlete

Student/Athlete	<u>Sport</u>	Special Honors
Coach Brian Deal	Baseball	MHSBCA All-Star Coach
	Boys Lacrosse	Conference Champions (4) years in a row
	Clay Target	Conference Champions
	Softball	District Champions
Chloe Hatridge	Soccer	All-District team, All-Regional team, and All-State Third Team
Hailey Mcconnaghy	Soccer	All-District Team
Leah Johnson	Soccer	All-District Team
Sydney Martin	Soccer	All-District Team
	Girls Track	Regional Champions 4x100- New School record of 50.89 (Grace Wile,
		Megan Kendall, Sam Richardson, and Cate Curtis), 12th at MHSAA
	~	State meet
	Girls Track	Regional Champions 4x200- 1:50.01 (Grace Wile, Kinsay Riddle, Sam Richardson, and Cate Curtis), 19 <sup>th</sup> at MHSAA State meet
	Girls Track	Regional Runner-up 4x400- 4:14.74 (Grace Wile, Amelia Ruger,
		Megan Kendall, and Mia Mulhearn), 22 <sup>nd</sup> at MHSAA State meet
Megan Kendall	Girls Track	Regional Champion 100 Dash- 13.43, 26th at MHSAA State meet
Kinsay Riddle	Girls Track	Regional Runner-up 100 Hurdles- 16.09, 9th at MHSAA State meet
Mia Mulhearn	Girls Track	Regional Runner-up 300 Hurdles- 47.96, 15th at MHSAA State meet
Kyle Kelley	Boys Lacrosse	Academic All-Conference Player of the Year, Academic All-State,
Matt Halala	Darra La ana ara	All-Regional Team, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Team All-State Defensemen
Matt Hybels	Boys Lacrosse	All-Regional Team Academic All-State
Aaron Phelps Sam Gearig	Boys Lacrosse Boys Lacrosse	Academic All-State
Oscar Hackman	Boys Lacrosse	Academic All-State
Michael Kessler	Boys Lacrosse	Honorable Mention All-State Midfielder
Levi Thomas	Boys Track	All Regional, State Qualifier 110 hurdles and 300 hurdles, 110 hurdles
Levi momus	Doys Huck	$19^{\text{th}}$ at MHSAA State meet, 300 hurdles $16^{\text{th}}$ at MHSAA State meet
Remi O'Neill	Softball	All-District Team
Kelsey Diekman	Softball	All-District and All-Regional Team, 1st Team All-State
Camille Wadley	Softball	All-District and All-Regional Team, Honorable Mention All-State
Payton Lewis	Softball	All-District and All-Regional Team
Kali Yant	Softball	Academic All-State
Abbey Lafler	Softball	Academic All-State
Jeffrey Hoagg	Clay Target	All-State Team
Andrew Pratt	Clay Target	All-State Team
Glen Rhyner	Clay Target	All-State Team, Michigan State Champion shooting 100/100
Trevor Young	Clay Target	All-State Team
Eliot Pierce	Clay Target	All-State Team
Lucas Cannizzarro	Clay Target	All-State Team
Caleb Kosak	Clay Target	All-State Team
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### 2018-19 BULLDOGS BY THE NUMBERS

Number of Seniors who played at least	Number of Seniors who played at least	Number of Seniors who played at least
one sport their Senior year	two <b>sports</b> their Senior year	three sports their Senior year
76	21	4
Percentage of student body playing in	Number of two-sport athletes in current	Number of three-sport athletes in
high school athletics	year	current year
53.4	157	35
Grade Point Average of 2018 Senior   Athletes   3.23   Grade Point Average of the entire 2018   Senior Class   3.05	Total number of UNIQUE girls participating in MHSAA sports 87	Total number of UNIQUE boys participating in MHSAA sports 105
<u>Grade Point Average of all 2017-18</u> <u>Athletes 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup></u> <b>3.168</b>	Total number of girls included in #1 participating in 2 or more MHSAA sports 70	Total number of boys included in #1 participating in <b>2 or more</b> MHSAA <u>sports</u> <b>87</b>

# 2018 BULLDOGS PLAYING AT THE NEXT LEVEL

Athlete	Sport	School
Kali Yant*	Softball	Calvin College
Abbey Lafler	Softball	Spring Arbor University
Kaytee Harvey	Volleyball	Albion College
Joey McCowen*	Baseball	Spring Arbor University
Grant Deal*	Football	Ashland University
Mike Kessler	Lacrosse	Indiana Tech
Maryssa Wright	Lacrosse	Alma College

(\*) Denotes Multi-Sport Athlete