

Nicolet Sports Teams Enjoy Success in Fall 2020

The Fall Athletic sports season for the Nicolet Knights was highly successful; please see a summary of the Nicolet athletic community's accomplishments below.

Girls Tennis

The Girls Tennis team captured the North Shore Conference Championship, an amazing season that saw all 10 of their Varsity players earn All-Conference honors. The WIAA Girls Tennis Sectional was loaded with the top teams in the State but Nicolet managed to finish 2nd in the Sectional and send 6 student-athletes to the WIAA State Tournament: Itu Igoni, Maddie Buckley, Amelia Ansay, Ela Sabnis, Kephely Igoni and Emma Kappel.

Boys Soccer

The Boys Soccer team finished 3rd in the best soccer conference in the state and placed 5 players on the All Conference team with Will Navarre earning All State honors.

Girls Volleyball

The Girls Volleyball team finished 3rd in the North Shore Conference, missing a conference championship by just two game 5's. They placed 4 players on the All Conference team with Ava Ellegard winning Co-Player of the Year and 2 players received All State recognition: Ellegard and Katie Heidenrich.

Girls Swim

The Girls Swim team finished 4th in the very tough NSC and advanced 4 swimmers (Gloria Kawai, Delanie Nikolay, Meredith Griffith-Topps & Sofia Zelazoski) to the WIAA State Tournament.

Girls Golf

The Girls Golf team finished 5th in the Conference led by 1st Team All Conference golfer Isa Pierri.

Cross Country

The Cross Country team was led by Jimmy Weseman who earned 1st Team All Conference honors and advanced within a few places from the State Tournament.

Boys Volleyball

The Boys Volleyball team placed three of its players on the All Conference Team (Jameson Junge, Cam Balda & Jon Hellman) with season highlights that included wins over Whitefish Bay and Homestead.

Football

The Nicolet Football team beat Slinger in the first home game of the year 27-7 and also defeated West Bend West 23-0 on Senior Night for their first shutout since 2010. The team also qualified for the WIAA playoffs for the first time since 1989. They were led all season by running back/linebacker Braden Ott who rushed for 107 yards per game and scored 6 TDs. Jashawn Austin rushed for 475 yards and 3 TDs. QB Matt White threw 10 TD passes in 7 games, 6 of which went to leading receiver Cole Trimborn. Danny Johnson, Daniel Quam, Mason Desrude and Flasche Yang, along with Ott and Trimborn lead the defense. Junior Braeden Ott earned all conference recognition at three different positions: Running Back, Outside Linebacker and Punter. Junior Cole Trimborn earned all conference honors at two positions:

Wide Receiver and Defensive Back. Senior Xavier Ganfield and Sophomore Mason Desrude earned all conference nods at Offensive Line and Defensive Line respectively.

All Conference/All State Honors

Nicolet student-athletes were well represented on the North Shore Conference All-Conference teams with 33 student athletes earning All-Conference recognition: Isabella Pierri (Girls Golf), Jameson Junge (Boys Volleyball), Cam Balda (Boys Volleyball), Jon Hellman (Boys Volleyball), Will Navarre (Boys Soccer & All-State), Charlie Levin (Boys Soccer), Nick Oliva (Boys Soccer), Ethan Vondra (Boys Soccer), Sullivan Woods (Boys Soccer), Ava Ellegard (Girls Volleyball & Co-Player of the Year & All State), Katie Heidenrich (Girls Volleyball & All State), Michaela Henrichs (Girls Volleyball), Grace Simenz (Girls Volleyball), Jimmy Weseman (Boys Cross Country), Amelia Ansay (Girls Tennis), Kalina Kapetanovic (Girls Tennis), Itu Igoni (Girls Tennis), Kephely Igoni (Girls Tennis), Paulina Gorodesky (Girls Tennis), Ela Sabnis (Girls Tennis), Emma Kappel (Girls Tennis), Mallory DeLuca (Girls Tennis), Alison Dorf (Girls Tennis), Madeleine Buckley (Girls Tennis), Gloria Kawai (Girls Swim), Delanie Nikolay (Girls Swim), Sofia Zelazoski (Girls Swim), Eden Goldenberg (Girls Swim), Meredith Griffith Topps (Girls Swim), Braden Ott (Football), Cole Trimborn (Football), Xavier Ganfield (Football) and Mason Desrude (Football).

Future Division 1 Athletes

Three high profile Nicolet Athletes signed their letters of intent in a special ceremony in the Nicolet Gym on November 11th. The event was live streamed on You Tube's Knight Vision, the school's new live stream channel. James Graham signed on to play D1 Basketball at the University of Maryland for the Terrapins. Kobe Johnson signed his letter of intent to play D1 Basketball for the Trojans of USC and Will Navarre will take his soccer skills to the state capital to play for the Badgers next year.

Nicolet Recreation Department receives high praise for Fall Programming

The Nicolet Recreation Department strengthened its reputation in the Nicolet Community by providing a variety of safe programming for community members of all ages. The positive response received from recreation customers showed how much they appreciated the Nicolet Recreation Department's programming during these difficult times. Some comments included:

"Can't thank the instructors enough. With so much that isn't "normal" right now - once a week my daughter and niece were carefree little girls and just had fun together. I was so grateful to see the performance!"

- Pre-Ballet

"Thank you for your hard work keeping kids safe during this stressful time but also giving them an opportunity to be active and interact with their peers!"

- Tennis Club

"The safety precautions for COVID were very well done. It was really nice to be able to still have the class and help the kids maintain some sense of normalcy."

- Gymnastics

In addition, the after school programs offered by the Nicolet Recreation Department at our partner schools, were well received and for the first time, the recreation department is now offering after school

programming at St. John's Lutheran School. The program "Legos Cars, Catapults And Bridges" was a big hit as 13 students participated in the program. Despite the current challenges brought on by this pandemic, the Nicolet Recreation Department was still able to expand their program offerings and locations. New programs included Tennis Club, Run and Fun Club, Zumbini, Basketball Skills Development and Rock Climbing.