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VOLLEYBALL



Members of the Seward High volleyball team in 2024 are, from left: (first row) Zoey Douty, Amara Siebert, Abby Covalt, Kennedy Limback, Mikayla Miller and Kelsey Miller; (second row) Molly Marroquin, Addy Heaston, Karsyn Fields, Rilynn Hiser and Alaina Bartels; (third row) Hayden Minchow, Jackie Eberspacher, Lexi Solano, Olivia Brozovsky, Kennedy Dominy and Grace Brees; (fourth row) Carley Kimbrough, Adeline Slechta, Taegan Weber, Kalveyn Hendrix, Rydesa Else, Nyla Seevers, Brianna Hull, Emerson Limback and Kinslee Meyer; and (fifth row) Lily Jackson, Ella Peterson, Savannah Bauer, Tayla Hass, Faith Hibbert and Kendall Miller.

Seward volleyball

Coach's name: Tom

Years coaching: 41 **Assistant coaches:** Rebekah Miller & Jenny

Last season's record: 26-8

Conference affiliation: Central

Seniors on this year's team: Kennedy Limback, Kelsey Miller, Abby Covalt, Mikayla Miller, Amara Siebert, Zoey Douty

Returning letter winners: Alaina Bartels, Grace Brees, Abby Covalt, Jackie Eberspacher, Karsyn Fields, Rilynn Hiser, Kennedy Limback, Mikayla Miller, Kelsey Miller

Strengths of this year's team: Return a number of players with varsity experience; Will have a team with good depth.

Holes to fill from last **season:** Setter position

Teams to watch in conference/district: GINW, Lakeview, Crete

Seward volleyball

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Aug. 22	host triangular	5р
4 . 20	Lincoln Christian, Syracuse	7.
Aug. 29	at Milford	
Aug. 31	at Plattsmouth Invite	
Sept. 3	at David City	
Sept. 6	at Lakeview	.7p
Sept. 10	host Standing Bear	7p
Sept. 14	at Norris Invite	.9a
Sept. 19	at Fillmore Central	.7p
Sept.21	host tournament	9a
Sept.26	host Raymond Central	7р
Oct. 1	at Lincoln Northwest	.7p
Oct. 3	at triangular, York	.6р
Oct. 5	at Raymond Central Invite	.8a
Oct. 8	at Aurora	.7p
Oct. 10	host Schuyler	7р
Oct. 15	at Crete	.7p
Oct.17-19	at conference	ТВА
Oct. 22	at Blair	.7p
Oct. 24	host Ashland-Greenwood	7р
Oct.29-30	Subdistricts	
Nov. 2	District final	
Nov. 6-9	State, Lincoln	

Centennial volleyball

Aug. 29	at Hastings St. Cecilia7p
Aug. 31	host tournament 9a
Sept. 3	host Central City 7p
Sept. 10	at Sandy Creek
Sept. 12	at Malcolm Invite5p
Sept. 14	at Malcolm Invite9a
Sept.17	host Fairbury 7p
Sept. 19	at Sutton
Sept. 21	at Central City Invite9a
Sept.24	host Wilber-Clatonia 7p
Sept. 26	at triangular, Centura5p
Oct. 1	at Milford7p
Oct. 3	host Thayer Central 7p
Oct. 5	at JCC Invite9a
Oct.14-17	at conference TBA
Oct. 22	at triangular, Adams Central5p
Oct. 25	host David City 7p
Oct.29-30	Subdistricts
Nov. 2	District final
Nov. 6-9	State, Lincoln

Pictured on the cover: Representing their schools and sports on the cover are, clockwise from front left, Hannah Reynolds, Milford volleyball; Izzy Yeackley, Milford softball; Bryn Christensen, Seward golf; Jena Eberspacher, Seward golf; Adela Donahoo, Malcolm cheer; and Ryan Richters, Centennial football. Picture taken at the Nebraska National Guard Museum in Seward.



The 2024 Centennial High volleyball team includes, from left: (first row) Lauryn Breitkreutz, Natalie Sams, Caylie Clouse, Ella Wambold, Catelynn Bargen and Averie Stuhr; (second row) Lexi Kraus, Calley Abell, Hannah Luebbe, Cheyenne Tonniges, Andrea Gumaer and Bree Nisly; (third row) Addison Petzoldt, Sophia Benedict, Jaclynn Prigge, Hurley Harroun, Tyler Opfer and Ella Baack; and (fourth row) Gentry Zimmer, Amelia Walgren, Dakota Butzke and Corey Payne.

Centennial volleyball

Coach's name: Alex Anstine

Years coaching: 15 Assistant coach: Drew Rodine and Keshia Ford Last season's record: 22-11

Conference affiliation: Southern Nebraska

Seniors on this year's team: Catelynn Bargen, Ella Wambold, Averie Stuhr, Caylie Clouse, Natalie Sams, Lauryn Breitkreutz

Returning letter winners: Tyler Opfer, Cheyenne Tonniges, Hannah Luebbe

Incoming athletes to watch: Hurley Harroun, **Bree Nisly**

Strengths of this year's **team:** We have a lot of experience on the team. Returning a lot of starters.

Team chemistry is great. This is a great group of girls on and off the court. Senior class brings a lot of leadership to the team. This group has a lot of drive and motivation to make it far this season. We also have a couple of girls who can play multiple positions and actually provides some depth for us this year.

Holes to fill: We lost a few seniors who played key roles last year so looking for a couple of players to step up and fill those positions.

Season outlook: We are super excited for this upcoming season. We have a lot of experience coming back so I have some high expectations for this team. We will need a

few younger girls to step up as well to bring this team together. I believe we have the chance to make it very far this season and also place in the top of our conference.

Teams to watch in conference/district: Conference is always tough. Milford, Sutton, Superior, David City, Thayer Central, Fairbury all bring back key players to their teams.





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Members of the 2024 Milford High volleyball team include, from left: (first row) Hannah Reynolds, Brooklyn McDonald and Taylor Oldfield; (second row) Kylie Jakub, Haley Brhel, Madelyn Saltzman, Sarah Reynolds, Sydney Burkey, Abigail Holland and Aubrey Burton; (third row) Brooklynn Stutzman, Kira Schweitzer, Libbie Reil, Jailey Roth, Ashlynn Miller, Brooke Kleint, Staccia Johnson, Brynlee Ficke and Holly Hostetler; and (fourth row) Aaliyah Spale, Violet Augustyn, Braelynn Muller, Shayla Rautenberg, Kenzie Jakub, Adalyn Cisneros, Janessa Stauffer and Alayna Parks.

Milford volleyball

Coach's name: Emily

Years coaching: 11, six

at Milford
Assistant coach: Sarah Martin, Mindy Miller,
Heather Muller, Elizabeth

Last season's record: 17-14

Kubicek

Conference affiliation: Southern Nebraska

Seniors on this year's team: Brooklyn McDonald, Taylor Oldfield, Hannah Reynolds

Returning letter winners: Hannah Reynolds, Sydney Burkey, Kylie Jakub, Sarah Reynolds, Libertie Reil, Kira Schweitzer

Incoming athletes to watch: Taylor Oldfield, Shayla Rautenberg

Strengths of this year's team: Versatility in players, competitive, volleyball mindset

Holes to fill: Court time experience.

Teams to watch in conference/district: Conference - Fairbury, David City, Thayer Central

Malcolm volleyball

Coach's name: Amber Dolliver

Years coaching: 13
Assistant coach: Chad
Eichenberger, Kelsey Rezny
Last season's record:
27-5

Conference affiliation: Trailblazer

Seniors on this year's team: Jenna Schweitzer, Callie Schroeder, Anna Grace Christensen, Izzy Stenger, Julia Swerczek, Adela Donahoo

Returning letter winners: Jenna Schweitzer, Callie Schroeder, Laurel Johnson, Baylor Bratrsovsky

Athletes to watch:
Payton Dolliver, McKenzie
Wehner, Izzy Stenger

Strengths of this year's team: Bring back some experience with big goals for this season

Holes to fill: Graduated a lot of seniors as well as current injuries

Teams to watch in conference/district: Wahoo



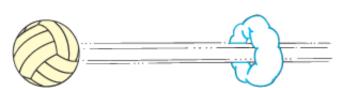
Members of the 2024 Malcolm High volleyball team are, from left: (first row) Rachel Lannin, Izzy Stenger, Julia Swerczek, Callie Schroeder, Jenna Schweitzer, Adela Donahoo and Anna Grace Christensen; (second row) Halle Dolliver, Alexis Valish, Shyann Sehi, Laurel Johnson, Alaina Wilcox, Isabel Steiner, Alli Blair and Clara Ladman; and (third row) Haylee Branum-Erdkamp, Hattie Coufal, Sophie Walker, Jazmine Saltzgaber, Janessa Heidtbrink, Elsa Schleining, Ava Endicott, Payton Dolliver and McKenzie Wehner. Baylor Bratrsovsky, Kenna Wilcox and Kaydence Schaefer are not pictured.

Malcolm volleyball

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Aug. 29	at Raymond Central	7р
Sept. 3	at Aurora	7p
Sept. 6	host Plattsmouth	7р
Sept.12	host Malcolm Invite	5р
Sept. 14	host Malcolm Invite	9a
Sept. 17	host triangular	5р
Sept. 19	at Beatrice	7р
Sept. 24	at York	7р
Sept. 26	at Ashland-Greenwood	7р
Sept. 28	at Adams Central Invite	8:30a
Oct. 1	host Wahoo	7р
Oct. 3	host North Bend Central	7р
Oct. 5	at Scotus Invite	9a
Oct.8-12	at conference	. TBA
Oct. 14	host Nebraska City	7р
Oct. 17	host Platteview	7р
Oct. 22	at Ralston	7p
Oct. 24	at Crete	7p
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Oct. 29-30	Subdistricts	
	Aug. 29 Sept. 3 Sept. 6 Sept. 12 Sept. 14 Sept. 17 Sept. 19 Sept. 24 Sept. 26 Sept. 28 Oct. 1 Oct. 3 Oct. 5 Oct.8-12 Oct. 14 Oct. 17 Oct. 22	Aug. 29 at Raymond Central

Milford volleyball

Aug.	29	host Seward 7p
Sept.	3	at Standing Bear7p
Sept.	10	at Fillmore Central7p
Sept.	12	at Malcolm Invite5p
Sept.	14	at Malcolm Invite9a
Sept.	17	at triangular, Malcolm5p
Sept.	21	host tournament 9a
Sept.	24	host Raymond Central 7p
Sept.	26	at Lincoln Northwest7p
Oct.	1	host Centennial 7p
Oct.	3	at Nebraska City7p
Oct.	8	host Crete 7p
Oct.	10	host York
Oct.	12	at Thayer Central Invite
Oct.1	4-17	at conference TBA
Oct.	22	host triangular 5p
Oct.	24	at triangular Central City5p
Oct.2	9-30	Subdistricts
Nov.	2	District final
Nov.	6-9	State, Lincoln











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CROSS COUNTRY

Centennial cross country at Schuyler Invite................. 10a at Milford Invite4:15p Sept. 12 Sept. 19 at Fillmore Central Invite. 4:45p at Malcolm Invite................. 10a Sept. 24 Sept. 26 at UNK......3p Sept. 30 at Raymond Central Invite 4p Oct. 3 at conference, Geneva......4:30p Oct. 10 Oct. 17 at Districts TBA Oct. 25 at State, Kearney3p

Centennial cross country

Coach's name: Rob Johansen

Years coaching: 29
Assistant coach: Emma
Dannehl

Conference affiliation: Southern Nebraska

Seniors on this year's team: Grace Schernikau, Josie Turnbull, Matthew Hoops, Camden Winkelman

Returning letter winners: Grace Schernikau, Josie Turnbull, Josie Butzke, Marley Olson, Matthew Hoops, Camden Winkelman

Incoming athletes to

watch: Carter Fritz - Outstanding runner. Finished no lower than 7th place in all of his junior high races.

Strengths of this year's team: Both girls and boys have experience running in big meets. We have high expectations for this year's team to get back to state and earn some medals.

Holes to fill: Only lost one boy from last year.

Teams to watch in conference/district: Milford always has good runners, and Tri County gets back into the SNC and has good runners as well.



Members of the Centennial cross country team for 2024 are, from left: (front row) Grace Schernikau, Josie Turnbull, Marley Olson and Josie Butzke; and (back row) Camden Winkelman, Matthew Hoops and Carter Fritz.



The 2024 Seward girls' cross country team includes, from left: (first row) Coach Tony Kreifels, Rachel Kreifels, Regan Wiesen, McKenzie Martin and Tessa Greisen; (second row) Coaches Kyle Royuk and Rylee Philippi, Brianna Potratz, Audrey Broadwell, Kaleigh Penas, Savannah Leiting and Coach Kurt Holliday; and (third row) Rebekah Jurchen, McKenna Job, Jordyn Samuels, Lily Philips, Chloe Brozovsky and Haylen Holliday.



Seward cross country

	Sept	. 5	host Charlie Thorell Invite 10a	a
	Sept.	13	at Aurora4:15	0
	Sept.	19	at Bennington4:30	o
	Sept.	24	at Mt. Michael Benedictine2	o
	Sept.	30	at UNKnoor	n
	Oct.	3	at David City Aquinas4:30	О
	Oct.	10	at Crete	a
	Oct.	17	at Districts TBA	4
	Oct.	25	at State, Kearney3	0
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Seward cross country

Coach's name: Kurt Holliday

Years coaching: 28 Assistant coaches: Kyle Royuk, Tony Kreifels, Rylee Philippi

Last season's record: 37-53 for girls, 66-45 for boys

Conference affiliation: Central 10

Seniors on this year's team: Girls: Tessa Greisen, Regan Weisen, Rachel Kreifels, McKenzie Martin, Amy Estorga Ittig; Boys: Jacob Kimbrough, Jack Schulz, Lukas Howe, Esten Johnsen, Dylan Hochstein, Ben Nottingham

Returning letter winners: Girls: Tessa Greisen, Audrey Broadwell, Brianna Potratz, Kaleigh Penas, Rebekah Jurchen, Regan Weisen; Boys: Jacob Kimbrough, Micah Royuk, Jack Schulz, Cody Jacobsen, Cale Greisen, Lukas Howe and Austin Koch

Incoming athletes to watch: Girls: Haylen Holliday, Jordyn Samuels, Lily Philips, Chloe Brozovsky; Boys: Lucas Zitek, Mason The Seward boys' cross country team for the 2024 season includes, from left: (first row) Dylan Hochstein, Ben Nottingham, Jack Schulz, Jacob Kimbrough, Lukas Howe and Esten Johnson; (second row) Coaches Kyle Royuk and Rylee Philippi, Caydin Brettmann, Parker Douglass, Micah Royuk Alex Roberts and Coaches Tony Kreifels and Kurt Holliday; (third row) Jalen Schultz, Kaiden Classen, Cody Jacobsen, Cale Greisen, Austin Koch, Gabe Pomajzl, Jackson Kreifels and Luke Ruspak; and (fourth row) William Mueller, Quinton Moore, Lucas Zitek, Creighton Olson, Alex Pliefke, Leo Liu, Mason Luebbe, Henry Wake, Isaac Fiala and Jonah Beisel.

Luebbe, Creighton Ol
team: Girls: Tessa Greisen
and Audrey Broadwell

Holes to fill from last
season: Girls: None; Boys:
a top 5 team in the state.

Pius X, York, Scottsbluff;

Team captains: Girls: Tessa Greisen and Audrey Broadwell; Boys: Micah Royuk, Jacob Kimbrough, Jack Schulz

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Strengths of this year's

team: Girls: Tessa Greisen and Audrey Broadwell to lead a good group of freshmen. Boys: Micah Royuk, Cale Greisen, Cody Jacobsen and Austin Koch had good summer and hopefully will step up to fill needed roles.

Holes to fill from last season: Girls: None; Boys: Jonathan Jurchen, Evett Howe, Nic Classen, Drew Collings

Anything else we should know about this year's team: Girls: Will be improved from last years

squad and hoping to be a top 5 team in the state. Boys: Will be hoping to qualify again, but districts will be tough. Hoping for a top 10 finish.

Teams to watch in conference/district: Girls: Conf - York and Aurora

- Dist - Norris, Hastings, Pius X, York, Scottsbluff; Boys: Conf - Lexington and GINW - Dist- Lexington, Pius X, Norris, Hastings, Gering, Scottsbluff







Milford cross country

Coach's name: Jake Kment

Years coaching: 5
Assistant coaches: Michele Kontor, Amie Martin

Last season's record: Boys: sixth place team finish at state, Girls: 12th place team finish at state

Conference affiliation: Southern Nebraska

Seniors on this year's team: Ellison Piening, Garrett Freeman, Kellan Kubicek, Jack Stahl

Returning letter winners: Girls: Ellison Piening, Elsa Schweitzer, Ambry Armbrust; Boys: Garrett Freeman, Jack Stahl, Avery Carter, Jonny Kohout, Kellen Lovitt, Sylus Rakow

Strengths of this year's **team:** The girls team has three solid returning letterwinners from last season, two of whom participated in the state cross country meet. The boys team has six returning letterwinners from last year, five of whom participated in the state cross country meet. Avery Carter returns after being the fourth-place finisher at the state meet last year. They had a great summer putting in miles and attending group runs.

Holes to fill from last season: The girls' team



The 2024 cross country team at Milford High includes, from left: (first row) Zoey Whitford, Elsa Schweitzer, Abby Crabtree, Ellison Piening, Ambry Arubrust and Sadye Hill; (second row) Blake Otrdovsky, Sylus Rakow, Kellen Lovitt, Avery Carter and Clayton Bartels; and (third row) Easton Sample, Kellan Kubicek, Jack Stahl, Garrett Freeman and Jonny Kohout.

will have to replace four of the six runners who ran at state last year, and the boys team will need to replace Gavin Dunlap, who was a 10th place finisher at the state meet.

Teams to watch in conference/district: We do not know who is in our

district yet. Our conference includes many strong teams from last year including Centennial, Thayer Central and Sandy Creek on the girls' side and Wilber, Centennial, Fillmore Central and Thayer Central on the boys side. Cross country is a sport in which

teams can improve rapidly from year to year with the addition of one or two new runners, so it will be interesting to see what district we are in and what different teams in our conference bring to the table this season.

Milford cross country

Sept. 5	at Charlie Thorell Invite, Seward 10a
Sept. 7	at Minden Invite 10a
Sept.12	host Milford Invite 5p
Sept. 19	at Fillmore Central Invite4:45p
Sept. 24	at Malcolm Invite4p
Sept. 30	at UNK3p
Oct. 3	at David City Aquinas4:30p
Oct. 10	at conference, Geneva4:30p
Oct. 17	at Districts TBA
Oct. 25	at State, Kearney3p



Running cross country for Malcolm High in 2024 are, from left: (first row) Isabella Burbach, Vanesa Gonzalez-Mendoza, Eli Saltzman, Mia Larsen and Paige Westerbuhr; (second row) Ashton Placke, Olivia Watts, Sarah Rogers, Lena Schmidt, Reva Small and Marion Teten; (third row) Logan Schumacher, Harrison Paider, Bryson Leffers, David Pulec, Eli Kinkaid, Cameron Schumacher and Jordan Groff; and (fourth row) Jacob Diedrichsen, Gabe Weiland, Connor Crist, Carter Thieman and Drake Plautz.

Malcolm cross country

Coach's name: Brie Walklin

Years coaching: 19
Assistant coach: John
Swotek

Conference affiliation: Trailblazer

Seniors on this year's team: Jacob Diedrichsen, Olivia Watts, Logan Schumacher, Bryson Leffers

Returning letter winners: Jacob Diedrichsen, Bryson Leffers, Logan Schumacher, Olivia Watts, Eli Kinkaid, Mia Larsen, Reva Small, Paige Westerbuhr, Gabe Weiland, Isabella Burbach, Connor Crist, Vanesa Gonzalez Mendoza, Harrison Paider, Ashton Placke, David Pulec, Sarah Rogers, Lena Schmidt, Cameron Schumacher, Carter Thieman

Athletes to watch: Eli Kinkaid, Cameron Schumacher, Lena Schmidt, Marion Teten

Strengths of this year's team: There are a lot of returning runners, especially Sophomores. Last year was a learning year for them because it was their first

year of high school running. Now they have some experience and can really step it up.

Holes to fill: We lost

a lot of seniors, so it will be interesting to see who steps it up to take some of those spots.

Teams to watch in con-

ference/district: Milford

well as Lincoln Christian.

Malcolm cross country

at Logan View Invite9:30a
at Yutan Invite3:30p
at Milford Invite5p
at Fillmore Central Invite4:15p
host Malcolm Invite 10a
at UNK3p
at Raymond Central Invite 4p
host conference 10a
at Districts TBA
at State, Kearney3p



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SOFTBALL



Softball players for Milford High in 2024 are, from left: (first row) Ayla Roth, Izzy Yeackley, Hannah Wittstruck and Riley Springer; (second row) Ty Swartzentruber, Emily Kenning, Delaney Carraher, Maeli Kubicek, Shayla Soper, Emily Toovey, Josie Walker and Blair Troyer; and (third row) Coaches Kadin Vrbas and Chad Carraher, Cora Klopfenstein, Rylee Schoen, Addi DeLong, Kyla Troyer, Alyssa Brown, Lexi Riley, Harper McCullough, Sadie Frazier and Coaches Whitney Brown and Calyn Zegers.

Milford softball

Coach's name: Chad Carraher

Years coaching: first as head coach, fourth overall **Assistant coaches:** Whitney Brown, Kadin Vrbas, Calyn Zegers

Last season's record: 17-8

Conference affiliation: Southern Nebraska

Seniors on this year's team: Ayla Roth, Izzy Yeackley, Hannah Wittstruck, Riley Springer

Returning letter winners: Ayla Roth, Izzy Yeackley, Hannah Wittstruck, Riley Springer, Delaney Carraher, Maeli Kubicek, Emily Kenning, Alyssa Brown, Sadie

Milford softball

Aug. 22	at Yutan6p
Aug. 24	host tournament 8a
Aug. 27	at Syracuse6:30p
Aug. 29	at St. Paul6:30p
Sept. 3	host Wilber-Clatonia 6:30p
Sept. 5	at triangular, Malcolm 4:30p
Sept. 7	at Fairbury Invite
Sept. 10	at York6:30p
Sept. 12	at Fairbury
Sept. 14	at West Point Beemer InviteTBA
Sept. 17	at Centennial6:30p
Sept. 19	at Seward
Sept. 21	at David City Invite 9a
Sept.24	host Crete 6:30p
Sept. 26	host Raymond Central 6:30p
Sept. 28	at conference, Fairbury TBA
Oct. 1	at Fillmore Central6:30p
Oct. 3	host David City 6:30p
Oct. 7-8	Subdistricts
Oct. 11	District final
Oct.16-21	State
	home games played at Welch Park

Centennial softball

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Aug. 24	at triangular, Fillmore Central 10a
Aug. 26	host triangular* 4:30p
Aug. 29	host Lakeview** 6:30p
Aug. 31	at Seward Invite9:30a
Sept. 3	host Aurora*** 6:30p
Sept. 6	at Syracuse6:30p
Sept. 7	at Fairbury Invite
Sept. 10	host triangular***4p
Sept.12	host St. Paul** 6p
Sept.17	host Milford* 6:30p
Sept. 19	at David City6:30p
Sept. 21	at Cass County Invite
Sept. 24	at Polk County6:30p
Sept. 26	at triangular, Kearney Catholic 4p
Sept. 28	at conference, Fairbury TBA
Oct. 1	host triangular*
Oct. 3	at Freeman6:30p
Oct. 5	at Yutan Invite9a
Oct. 7-8	Subdistricts
Oct. 11	District final
Oct.16-21	- 10-10
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Strengths of this year's team: We are heading into the season with a solid core, bringing back 7 of our starters from last year. We've also got depth in the pitching position with 5 strong arms on the team, which gives us plenty of options to work with throughout the season.

Holes to fill: We need to replace two, four-year letter

winners at shortstop and right field due to graduation. We're battling a few injuries right now, but I expect we'll be back at full strength towards the middle of the season which should set us up nicely for a strong finish.

Teams to watch in conference/district: Milford and Fillmore Central

Centennial softball

Coach's name: Tori Homolka Years coaching: 3 Assistant coaches: Billy Baugh

and Edith Stutzman

Last year's record: 13-18

Conference affiliation: Southern

Nebraska

Seniors on this year's team: Saige Scheele & Madilyn Kitzing

Returning letter winners: Saige Scheele, Kobie Kosek, Riley Ziegler, Anna Warm, Meg Hoffschneider, and Dakota Boyer

Incoming athletes to watch: Lynly Leif, Emery Menze, Paityn Scheele, Ashtynn Redfield

Strengths of this year's team: We
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The softball team at Centennial High for 2024 includes, from left: (first row) Madilyn Kitzing and Saige Scheele; (second row) Kobie Kosek, Riley Ziegler, Sarah Payne and Anna Warm; (third row) Nya Fischer, Meg Hoffschneider, Dakota Boyer and Madisyn Shufeldt; and (fourth row) Megan Hillmann, Emery Menze, Ashtynn Redfield, Lynly Leif, Paityn Scheele and Hailey Stutzman.

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Malcolm softball

Coach's name: Jay Babb Years coaching: 2 Assistant coaches: Maddie Von Seggern, Ian

Thompson, Neal Coleman, Trent Farritor, Ava Helms

Last season's record:

Conference affiliation: Trailblazer

Seniors: Jessica Sandell Returning letter winners: Jessica Sandell, Shaylee Heidtbrink, Mady Wall, Mikiah Witzel, Karli Farritor, Ary Myers, Mo Tiedeman, Jordy Small, Baylee Parr

Athletes to watch: Jessica Sandell, Mo Tiedeman, Mady Wall, Jordy Small

Strengths of this year's team: Four young pitchers, two sophomores, two juniors that have made leaps and bounds in the off season.

We started four freshmen last year. They have made tremendous progress since then. It will be fun



The 2024 Malcolm High softball team includes, from left: (first row) Emery Endicott, Mady Wall, Jessica Sandell, Shaylee Heidtbrink, Sam Back and Grace Green; (second row) Kamryn Broders, Olivia Seitz, Mattie Erickson, Aryanna Myers, Jordan Small, Morgan Tiedeman, Charlie Carlson and Klara Fialova; and (third row) Karli Farritor, Baylee Parr, Olivia Savicky, Sarah Kennedy, Lily Bietz and Mikiah Witzel.

to watch this young team with only one returning senior.

Holes to fill: Catcher, first base, second base, third base, outfield

Teams to watch in conference/district: Beatrice



Softball players at Seward High for the 2024 season include, from left: (first row) McKenna Sides, Jeffi Schaefer and Madison Green; (second row) Bell Herring, Karlee Baack, Danielle Pallat, Ella Policky, Lauren Frihauf, Jaydn Thomas, Avery Rodocker and Ava Stutzman; (third row) Dixie Hallsted, Emma Frihauf, Torrie Mayo, Julie Luebbe, Ashlynn Jarzynka, Kendal Oberhauser and Isla Krahulik; and (fourth row) Carly Kolterman, Tess Fisher, Skyler Hansen, Kalliea Vest, Jolie Eber, Bailee Sides and Jacey Forbes.

Eber, Bailee Sides and Jacey Forbes. Seward softball

Coach's name: Shawn Carr Years coaching: 4 in Seward, 20 total

Assistant coaches: Brock Anderson, Beth Bohuslavsky,

Maddie Carlson

Conference affiliation: Central 10

Seniors on this year's team: Kallie Zitek, Kenna Sides,

Madison Green, Jeffi Schaefer **Returning letter winners:** Kenna Sides, Jeffi Schafer, Ava Stutzman, Karleen Baack, Lauren Frihauf, Danielle

Pallat, Bell Herring, Avery Rodocker, Jaydn Thomas **Incoming athletes to watch:** Emma Frihauf

Team captains: Kenna Sides, Madison Green, Jeffie Schaefer

Strengths of this year's team: We have a lot of depth in our program right now. Last year our JV team pushed for playing time with our Varsity and this year they are all getting ready to step in and play a bigger role. We have great depth at pitching and should be able to rotate more pitchers to keep our starter Kenna Sides fresher. I also think we are going to be tough on the bases and have worked on some new wrinkles that will help us win games.

Holes to fill: We will not be able to replace the offense we lost by losing Dalaney, Coral and Lovely with just three players. Our hope is that we can be more balanced and have several players step in to help replace the offense they provided.

Anything else we should know about this year's team: We have a great group of kids who are all really talented on the softball field and off. We are excited to move a lot of kids in and out and hope we get big crowds to come watch them showcase their skills.

Teams to watch in conference/district: GINW, Crete

Seward softball

Aug. 22	host Ashland-Greenwood 6:30p
Aug. 24	at Freeman Invite (Lincoln) 10a
Aug. 27	host York 6:30p
Aug. 29	at Crete
Aug. 31	host Seward Invite9:30a
Sept. 3	host Adams Central 6:30p
Sept. 5	host Norris 6:30p
Sept. 12	at Beatrice6:30p
Sept. 14	at Hastings Invite 10a
Sept.17	host triangular 4p
	Malcolm, Fairbury
Sept. 19	host Milford 6:30p
Sept. 21	at North Platte Invitenoon
Sept.23	host Lakeview 6:30p
Sept. 24	at Bishop Neumann6:30p
Sept. 26	at Grand Island Central Catholic6:30p
Sept. 30	at Waverly6:30p
Oct. 1	host Aurora 6:30p
Oct. 3	host conference 10a
Oct. 7	Subdistricts
Oct. 11	District final

Oct.16-21 State

home games played at Plum Creek Park



Malcolm softball

Aug. 22 Aug. 23 Aug. 27	at Auburn
Aug. 29	at NEN, Pender
Aug. 31	at Blair Invite8a
Sept. 3	at Ralston
Sept. 5	host triangular 4:30p
Sept. 7	at Fairbury Invite
Sept. 10	host Beatrice 6:30p
Sept. 13	at Central City6:30p
Sept.14	host triangular 10a
Sept. 16	host Ashland-Greenwood 6:30p
Sept. 17	at triangular, Seward4:30p
Sept. 23	at Platteview6:30p
Sept.24	host Nebraska City 6:30p
Sept. 28	at conference TBA
Oct. 1	at Plattsmouth6:30p
Oct. 5	at Wahoo Invite9a
Oct. 7-8	Subdistricts
Oct. 11	District final
Oct.16-21	State

Looking for seniors: Because of space constraints, our senior photos, traditionally included in this section, will be printed in the Seward and Milford papers during the first weeks of the season. Don't miss them.



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FOOTBALL



Playing football for Milford in 2024 are, from left: (first row) Tyce Lopez, Owen Anderson, Scholar Crumrine, Gavin Piening, Aiden Hensen and Zach Pearson; (second row) Isaac Roth, Landon Roth, Jay Wissenburg, Garrett Schoen, Colby Rautenberg, Westin DeLong, Connor Adams, Zeb Reil and Quinn Zegers; (third row) Jax HAnsen, Grayden Meredith-Walker, Tristen Harrison, Brodie Roth, Cash Dickinson, Barron Roth, Kaleb Meierdirks, Gus Crabtree, Zane Meyer, Boen Schweitzer and Corey Langenberg; and (fourth row) Drake Roth, Chris Wissenburg, Zane Wittstruck, Kysen Swatzentruber, Hudson Stutzman, Brock Porter, Damien McCullough, Dusty Borgman, Matyx Upton, Cole Brown, Nick Wanetka and Talan Gossaert.

Milford football

Coach's name: Ryan Voelker **Years coaching:** 2

Assistant coaches: Cody Eitzmann, Jackson Beatty, Trey Frey, Riley Wiltfong, Carson Stauffer, Alec Shook Last season's record: 2-7

Conference affiliation: Southern Nebraska

Seniors on this year's team: Owen Anderson, Tyce Lopez, Scholar Crumrine, Aiden Henson, Zach Pearson, Gavin Piening

Returning letter winners: Tyce Lopez, Gavin Piening, Aiden Henson, Scholar Crumrine, Owen Anderson, Zach Pearson, Isaac Roth, Landon Roth, Garrett Schoen, Jay Wissenburg, Zeb Reil, Connor Adams, Westin DeLong, Colby Rautenberg, Quinn Zegers, Gus Crabtree, Kaleb Meierdirks, Cory Langenberg, Zane Meyer, Brodie Roth, Boen Schweitzer

Strengths of this year's team: We have experience in most positions.

Holes to fill: Team leader in tackling linebacker.

Milford football

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Aug 30

rug.	50	at Sylacusci
Sept	. 6	host Lousiville 7p
Sept.	13	at Wilber-Clatonia
Sept	.20	host Fairbury 7p homecoming
Sept.	27	at Lincoln Christian7p
Oct.	4	at Minden7p
Oct.	11	host Central City 7p
Oct.	18	at Aurora7p
Oct.	25	host Adams Central 7p
Nov.	1	Playoffs
Nov.	8	Quarterfinals
Nov.	15	Semifinals
Nov.	26	Class C1 championship2:45p Memorial Stadium

Centennial football

Aug. 30	at David City/p
Sept. 7	at Thayer Central7p
Sept.13	host Tri County 7p homecoming
Sept.20	host Mead 7p
Sept. 27	at Heartland7p
Oct. 4	host Shelby-Rising City7p
Oct. 11	host McCool Junction 7p
Oct. 17	at East Butler7p
Oct. 24	Playoffs
Nov. 1	Playoffs
Nov. 8	Quarterfinals
Nov. 15	Semifinals
Nov. 25	Class D1 championship2:45p Memorial Stadium

Centennial football

Coach's name: Riley Ostendorf

Years coaching: 1
Assistant coaches: Craig
Barjenbruch

Last year's record: 0-9 Conference affiliation: Southern Nebraska

Seniors on this year's team: Ryan Richters, Sam Ehlers, Paul Fehlhafer, Grant Cast, Parker Dishman, Jordan Wagner

Returning letter winners: Ryan Richters, Sam Ehlers, Paul Fehlhafer, Grant Cast, Parker Dishman, Jordan Wagner, Owen Naber, Cael Payne, Zaden Murphy, Kyle Keith, Trenton Waegli, Cooper Stelling, Ruger Webb

Incoming athletes to watch: Kade McFadden, Camden Riggs

Strengths of this year's team: Strong senior class and return a lot of starters/production. Good size on the OL and good experience in our skill postions.

Anything else we should know about this year's team: First year in 8-man football. New head coach, new offensive scheme



Centennial's 2024 football team includes, from left: (first row) Ryan Richters, Sam Ehlers, Parker Dishman, Paul Fehlhafer, Jordan Wagner and Grant Cast; (second row) Owen Naber, Kyle Keith, Ruger Webb, Cael Payne, Zayden Murphy, Trenton Waegli, Cooper Stelling and Caleb Clouse; (third row) Chase Robinson, Lane Johnson, Camden Riggs, Kade McFadden, Ryan Fehlhafer, Van Choma and Tyson Hornbacher; and (fourth row) Paul Dale, Jarret White, Luke Steele, Breckyn Hatfield, Chase Pankoke, Evan Crawford, Parker Perry and Levi Scholl. Trenton Walker is not pictured.



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The 2024 Seward High football team includes, from left: (first row) Kolton Loos, Caden Schadwinkel, Hayden Burhoop, Max Briggs, Henry Lewis, Devon Perry, Ed Knott, Daylon Salyer, Lathan Janousek, Cooper Fern and Dalton Mobley; (second row) Sam Cooksey, Aidan Summa, Ayden Siebert, Kyle Riley, Tresten Hass, Kayson Salyer, Cardin Goracke, Jayden Hernandez, Tylan Wolford, Karson Dyer and John Wieseman; (third row) Alex Kinney-Daniels, Ryler Parr, Nicholas Wegman, Caydin Terry, Deklan Lindau, Nolan Austin, Jack Vyhnalek, Sam Sagehorn, Peyton Else and Isaac Hiser; (fourth row) Riley Jackbsen, Henry Johnsen, Sean Mines, Jackson Einspahr, Kolten Green, Barrett Wiesen, Keyan Schadwinkel, Calvin Shipley, Riley Calway, Marshall Seevers and Brecken Matzke; (fifth row) Brennan Burhoop, Carter Urwin, Hunter Hartmann, Kade Benson, Ryer Bartels, Brysen Dowling, Dakota Leiting, Adam Rickert, Brayden Bremer, Hunter Harrison and Nelson Anderson; (sixth row) Landon Pelster, Owen Evans, Dakota Matulka, Caden Hansen, Collin Pierson, Madden Voss, Jacob Danhauer, Owen koprince, Everhett Schluckebier and Richard Job; and (seventh row) Madixx Jarecki, Colton Letts, Noah Trosper, Richard Hickman, Aiden Rerucha and Alex Butcher. CJ Buettner is not pictured.

Seward football

Coach's name: Jamie Opfer

Years coaching: 27, 13 as head coach

Assistant coach: Wade Miller, Jeff Hass, Casey Makey, Nate Knott, Ross Briggs, Joe Troester, Ben Briggs, Eric Kieper, Joel Brase

Last season's record: 6-4

Seniors on this year's team: Max Briggs, Hayden Burhoop, Cooper Fern, Lathan Janousek, Ed Knott, Henry Lewis, Kolton Loos, Dalton Mobley, Devon Perry, Daylon Salyer, Caden Schadwinkel

Returning letter winners: Tresten Hass, Ed Knott, Jack Vyhnalek, Caden Schadwinkel, Hayden Burhoop, Daylon Salyer, Jayden Hernandez, Cardin Goracke, Cooper Fern, Kolton Loos, Peyton Else, Lathan Janousek, Sam Sagehorn, Kyle Riley, Kolten Green, Keyan Schadwinkel, Devon Perry, Karson Dyer, Barrett Wiesen

Athletes to watch: Ed Knott, Hayden Burhoop,

Tresten Hass, Jack Vyhnalek, Peyton Else, Jayden Hernandez

Ed Knott: Eddison is one of the toughest players I've had the chance to coach. He brings it on both sides of the ball. Ed is a downhill player from the safety position. Physical football player. Ed has an ability to turn the ball over – 5 INTs, 3 forced fumbles, 79 total tackles last year on defense. Offense 227 recieving yards, 715 rushing yards, 5 TDs and 126 passing yards. Also a dangerous return man, and he blocked three punts and two PATs. He does it all.

Caden Schadwinkel: Caden loves the game and is one of the most dedicated players I have had the chance to coach. He loves the game and will be a three-year starter at MLB for us. He was one of the state leader in tacklers this past season – 27 solo, 57 assisted, 84 total tackles. Caden sacrified for the team and made a move from tight end to offensive line this past year due to need and did an outstanding job.

Tresten Hass: 1,609 passing yards, 9 TD's, 573 rushing, 13 TD's on offense. Two-year starter on defense, one INT last year, teams rarely threw his way. Lock down corner; 31 total tackles 1 FF. Tresten is just a gamer. He made a number of game-winning plays for us this past season. He is a difference maker on both ends of the field. Can't wait to see what he does this year.

Jack Vyhnalek: Jack has all the tools to dominate on both sides of the ball. Jack won us a few games this past year just due to his ball skills. Teams had trouble matching up with his size and speed. 38 receptions, 651 yards 5 TDs. Defensivley 33 total tackles, 6 TFLs, three sacks, four PD and one forced fumble

Hayden Burhoop: Injured the majority of his junior year. Hayden added a lot to our offense toward

the end of the year.

Jayden Hernandez: Jayden was a two-way starter for us last year at center and nose guard, two important positions. He's improved a ton this year and will be a big part of what we hope to achieve this year.

Strengths of this year's **team:** We have a number of returning starter and letter winners. We will have more depth this year than previous years. We played a lot of underclassmen the past year. We hope that pays off this years with some more depth and more one-way players. We have a number of skill players who have the potential to be the strength of the team if they continue to develop and put the work in, although our success will depend on our offensive and defensive line and our ability to move people up front. Our lines have had a great off season in the weightroom. We have some guys who have played and have potential, but this group will

Seward football

Aug. 30 at Gretna East......7p

Sept. 6	host Waverly7p
Sept.13	host Lincoln Piux X 7p
Sept. 20	at Scottsbluff7p MT
Sept.27	host Lincoln Northwest 6:30p homecoming
Oct. 4	at Northwest, Grand Island7p
Oct. 11	host Blair7p
Oct. 18	host York
Oct. 25	at Crete, Doane University
Nov. 1	Playoffs
Nov. 8	Quarterfinals
Nov. 15	Semifinals
Nov. 26	Class B championship7:15p

Memorial Stadium

home games played at Concordia University

need to make a big jump this fall to have the type of success we hope to have this year. Really proud of the time the boys have put in this summer. Excited to see what we can do this year.

We return most of our offensive production with Tresten Hass, Jack Vyhnalek, Eddison Knott, Hayden Burhoop, Cardin Goracke, Peyton Else, Lathan Janousek

Season outlook: Our seniors have displayed some great leadership and we have a lot of juniors that had a lot of production last year. Tough start to our schedule. Looking forward to playing some of the best in the state right off the bat to see where we're at as a team. We will need to be selfless and play for one another.



England, Carson Frank, Mason Wisnieski, Hunter Meyers, Tristen Boehle, Cole Tiedeman, Josh Fox and Logan McGreer; (second row) Kellen Ensrud, Mason Zegar, Preston Kucera, Eli Wollberg, Justin Wisnieski, Jake Walters, Brixon Meyer, Cody Barton and Austin Sykes; (third row) Cade Kobza, Kenton McGill, Keaton Kopecky, Miles McGill, Cooper Vetick, Gavin Little, Isaiah Baeza, Ethan Hardin, Greyson Queen and Nolan Duzik; and (fourth row) Tregan Frank, Brendon Wisnieski, Raiden Shanahan, Dominic Wehner, Grant Lewis, Mason Schultz, Riley Hawke, Clement Small, Gerrit DeWaard and Cody Cardwell.

Malcolm football

Coach's name: Scott Amen **Years coaching:** 18 years at Malcolm

Assistant coaches: Matt Coufal, Cole Gore, Jonathon Hunt Last season's record: 9-2

Conference affiliation: Trailblazer

Seniors on this year's team: Tristen Boehle, Chris Burbach, Josh Cantrell, Garrett England, Josh Fox, Carson Frank, Logan McGreer, Hunter Meyers, Owen Savicky, Cole Tiedeman, Mason Wisnieski Returning letter winners: Chris Burbach, Jake Walters, Justin Wisnieski, Preston Kucera, Gavin Little, Mason Wisnieski, Logan Mc-Greer, Josh Cantrell, Tristen Boehle, Garrett England, Carson Frank, Josh Fox, Cole Tiedeman, Brixon Meyer

Strengths of this year's team: This is going to be another good season for the Clippers. We have nine players who have starting experiene from last year's 9-2 team. Several of these seniors have played a big role

in teh 19-3 record over the past two years. They have great work ethics in the weight room. I am very excited about the upcoming season.

Athletes to watch: Mason Wisnieski has the best technique of any lineman I have ever coached. He is a returning All-State player. I see him being the best lineman to ever play at Malcolm.

Holes to fill from last season: There are always a few.

Malcolm football

Aug. 30	host North Bend Central7p
Sept. 5	at Grand Island Central Catholic7p
Sept.13	host Yutan7p homecoming
Sept. 20	at Oakland-Craig7p
Sept. 27	at Conestoga7p
Oct. 4	host Bishop Neumann7p
Oct. 11	at Raymond Central
Oct. 18	host Palmyra 7p
Oct. 25	at Lincoln Lutheran
Nov. 1	Playoffs
Nov. 8	Quarterfinals
Nov. 15	Semifinals
Nov 26	Class C2 championship 10:15a

Memorial Stadium

Centennial softball

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are a young team that gets to have fresh start to the year. We have been working on building up fundamentals and really honing in on the small things that will make a big difference during the season. We have a lot of girls with great work ethic that have been giving it their all each day and buying into what we are trying to accomplish for Bronco Softball.

Holes to fill: Since we graduated most

of our lineups, these younger girls saw what it takes to get on the field and win some games. They left the program in a great spot for this next group to pick it up from. We overcome adversity last year and figured out what we need to do better this year to keep the program moving in the right direction. We lost both of our starting pitchers and most of our lineup so we have holes to fill all over the field!

Anything else we should know about

this year's team: We do not have a lot of depth this season and our underclass-room will play a huge role for us and we are revamping our entire lineup due to seniors graduating. Although our depth off of the bench might be slim, we do have many girls who can play multiple positions and make an impact in different parts of our lineup.

Teams to watch in conference/district: We always have a tough conference that

brings great competition to our season. Milford will still be tough as well as FCEMF with them returning a key pitcher. There is Columbus Lakeview who will be tough as always, Central City, and Polk County always brings it. It will be a dog fight but I believe that we can compete with all of those teams by doing the little things.

GIRLS' GOLF

Seward girls' golf

Coach's name: Jim Placke Years coaching: 26

Conference affiliation: Central 10

Seniors on this year's team: Bryn Christensen, Jena Eberspacher, Bree Geschke, Natalie Wintz, Eastyn Oberhauser and Carissa Mines

Returning letter winners: Bryn Christensen, Jena Eberspacher and Blair Briggs

Strengths of this year's team: We have three returning varsity players from last year. We will be looking to three or four girls to step up to a regular varsity role this year.

Season outlook: We were a very consistent team with our 1-4 positions last year, so getting new players to help with consistency again will be a hole to fill.

Seward girls' golf

Aug. 30	host Seward Invite 9a
Sept. 5	at York Invite
Sept. 9	at triangular, Fairbury4:30p
Sept. 11	at Tri County (Beatrice)2p
Sept. 16	at Fairbury Invite9a
Sept. 20	at Crete invite9a
Sept. 23	at triangular, Lincoln Lutheran 2p
Sept.30	host Fairbury 4p
Oct. 4	at conference 10a
	Jackrabbit Run, Grand Island
Oct. 7	at Districts, TBATBA
Oct.14-15	at StateTBA
	Monument Shadows, Gering



The 2024 Seward girls' golf team includes, from left: (first row) Payton Samek, Samantha Quist, Bryn Christensen, Carissa Mines, Bree Geschke and Eastyn Oberhauser; (second row) Olive Buell, Reagan Meyer, Evie Schroeder, Samm Wintz, Blair Briggs and Elizabeth Wiseman; and (third row) Sophia Erwin, Lee Davis, Kathryn Naber, Natalie Wintz, Rowan Wood, Kaytee Hostert and Jena Eberspacher.

CHEER



LEFT: The 2024-25 Seward High cheer squad includes, from left: (first row) Zoey Douty, Rebecca Caldwell, Makayla Mumaugh, Addyson Rohde, Ashley Martin and Addilyn Sugden; (second row) Emma Matulka, Kylie Hackbart, Danica Claussen, Juliet Moore and Grace Matulka; (third row) Adison Langan, Finley Lewis, Brooklyn Hesse, Aubrey Hanes and Abbi Craig; and (fourth row) Makenna Baumhover, Olivia Anson and Kennedy **Duncan. Aubry Dodds is not** pictured.

BELOW: The cheer squad at Centennial for the 2024-25 school year is, from left: (first row) Charlee Bronson and Derekka Krohe; (second row) Calley Abell, Aisha Orellana and Hurley Harroun; and (third row) Braelyn Racette and Abbie Walgren.



COURTESY PHOTO

Leading the cheers at Malcolm High for 2024-25 are, from left: (front row) Elsa Schleining, Kaydence Schaefer, Jessica Sandell, Adela Donahoo and Anna Grace Christensen; and (back row) Mady Wall, Taylor Drake, Baylee Parr, Avery Beach, Emery Endicott, Shaylee Heidtbrink and Alaina Wilcox.







