



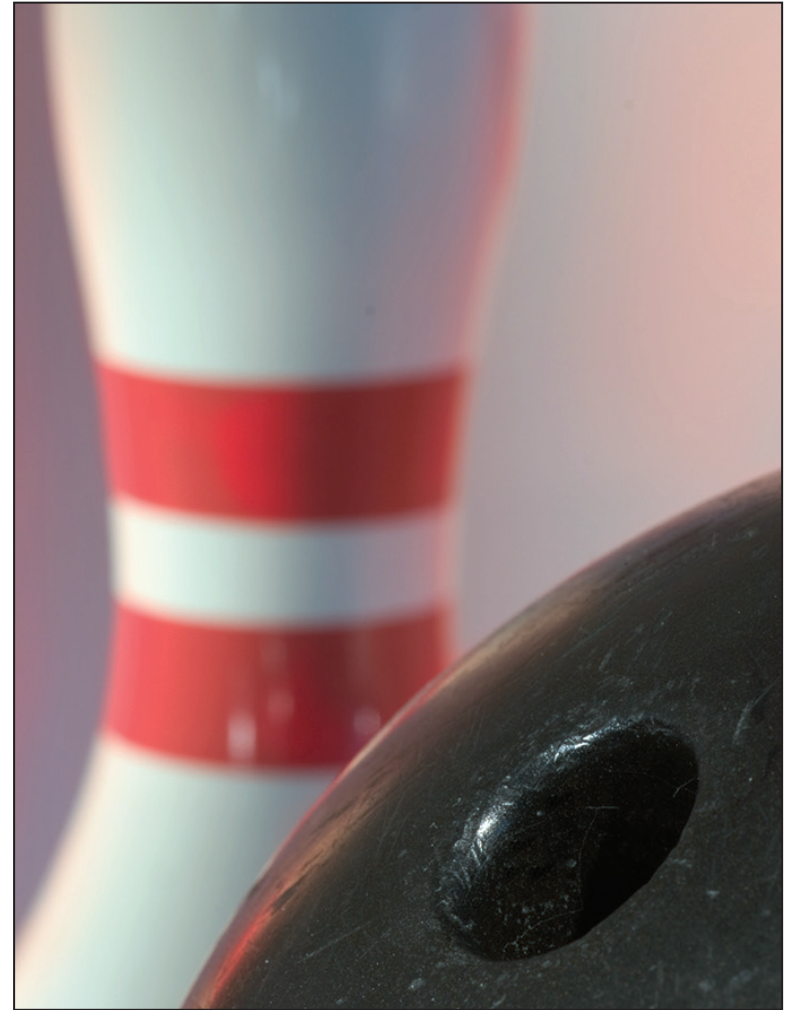
Winter Sports Preview



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Mendota Wrestling Roster 2024-25**Boys**

Angil Serrano	Senior
Rhett Watson	Senior
Mike Thornhill	Senior
Noe Sarabia	Senior
Reese Lane	Junior
Corbin Furar	Junior
Gavin Evans	Junior
Payton Gagliardo	Junior
Wyatt Ossman	Junior
Adrian Arteaga	Sophomore
Cole Kleckner	Sophomore
Trayvon Rucker	Sophomore
Zachary Schmidt	Sophomore
Gavin Stevenson	Sophomore
Aaron Torres	Sophomore
Toni-Rae Allen Rickels	Freshman
Komen Denault	Freshman
Kade Jackson	Freshman
David Reyes	Freshman
Germain Serrano	Freshman
Clayton Tanner	Freshman
Oliver Turner	Freshman

Girls

Lea Turner	Senior
Julia Carvalho	Senior
Hayden Senders	Sophomore
Laina Gonzales	Sophomore
Emma Dearing	Sophomore
Jayleen Jordan	Sophomore
Delila Kent	Sophomore

Head coach: Dale Meyers • **Assistant coach:** Arty Serrano
Volunteer coaches: Matt Hanaman, Charles Watson, Kye Denault, Brent Montavon



Front row, left to right, assistant coach Arty Serrano, manager Lidia Hernandez, Laina Gonzales, Toni-Rae Allen-Rickels, Emma Deering, Delila Kent, Hayden Senders, Julia Carvalho, Jayleen Jordan, manager Miranda Wheeler, head coach Dale Meyers. Middle row, Adrian Arteaga, David Reyes, Payton Gagliardo, Zach Schmidt, Lea Turner, Komen Denault, Aaron Torres, Gavin Stevenson, Oliver Turner, Michael Thornhill, assistant coach Brent Montavon. Back row, assistant coach Charles Watson, Rhett Watson, Angil Serrano, Corbin Furar, Gavin Evans, Germain Serrano, Reese Lane, Trayvon Rucker, Kade Jackson, Noe Sarabia.

Experienced group returns for MHS wrestlers

MENDOTA – With no seniors on last year’s team, the 2024-25 Mendota wrestling team returns an experienced group ready to make some noise on the mat this season.

This year’s squad has four seniors on the boys’ team and two on the girls’ squad. The top returning wrestler for the boys is senior Angil Serrano. Serrano, who competes at 285 pounds, is a three-time sectional qualifier and MHS head coach Dale Meyers is hoping Serrano can make the jump to the state tournament this year.

“Angil has been in the program for four years now, advancing to the sectional each year, and I am confident he can get out of the sectional and make it to state his senior season,” Meyers said. “He’s been working really hard and wants to make it to the next level.”

Rhett Watson is another returning senior who is targeted for the 165-weight class and Meyers feels he has a shot at advancing far in the post-season. Other senior boys are Mike Thornhill (215) and Noe Sarabia (190).

Five juniors are on the boys’ roster, with Gavin Evans at 157 pounds and Corbin Furar at 175 pounds, topping the list.

“They have both been in the program since they started high school and have a lot of varsity wrestling experience,” noted Meyers. “They both should have solid seasons.”

Other juniors include Payton Gagliardo (165), Reese Lane (285) and Wyatt Ossman (215). Ossman returns to the wrestling team after not competing for the squad last year.

“Wyatt was in the youth wrestling program and came out as a freshman and is back out as a junior,” said Meyers. “He’s a strong kid who is working hard in practice.”

Members of the sophomore class are Adrian Arteaga (132), Cole Kleckner (150), Trayvon Rucker (132), Zachary Schmidt (190), Gavin Stevenson (157) and Aaron Torres (190).

“This is a good group of sophomores who gained a lot of experience as freshmen, so I’m looking forward to seeing them take the next step up this year,” stated Meyers.

Rounding out the boys’ team are freshmen Toni-Rae Allen-Rickels, Komen Denault, Kade Jackson, David Reyes, Germain Serrano, Clayton Tanner and Oliver Turner.

The seven-member girls’ team is

led by senior Lea Turner. This is her fourth year of wrestling and is coming back from an injury her junior season.

“Lea had a broken finger last year and I’m hoping to get her back on track and see her win a lot of her matches,” said Meyers.

Julia Carvalho is the only other senior on the squad, while the rest of the girls’ roster is comprised of sophomores Emma Dearing, Laina Gonzales, Jayleen Jordan, Delila Kent and Hayden Senders, all of whom return for their second season.

“The girls are all aggressive wrestlers and that’s what you need to be competitive match after match,” added Meyers.

Meyers has added to his staff of coaches with volunteers Kye Denault and Brent Montavon, to go along with assistant coach Arty Serrano and volunteers Matt Hanaman and Charles Watson.

“Practices are a lot more intense with more coaches in the room able to give more instruction with the kids,” Meyers said. “We’ve got a lot more sweating going on in the room, which is a good thing because that means we’re getting in quality work.”

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Veteran leadership returns for Lady Trojan hoops

MENDOTA—One thing is for sure with this year’s Mendota varsity girls’ basketball team – there should be plenty of minutes on the floor for everybody on the team, as only eight girls are on the 2024-25 roster.

While that may seem as a detriment to some, seventh-year head coach John Hansen is going into this season with the same mindset he’s had in past years.

“We control what we can control and never get out-competed,” said Hansen. “We’re building a program here and I’m extremely proud of it. We’ve got 35 girls total on all three levels.

“I’ve spent the last four years working extremely hard at helping the ladies in this program shake their ‘losing’ or ‘I just stink at basketball’ mentality. We fully believe in the progress we are working on and we hope it starts to show on the scoreboard.”

The Lady Trojans lost only three seniors from last year’s squad, so seven out of the eight on this year’s roster saw ample playing time a year ago. The other player, Cassie Gonzalez, got a taste of varsity competition two years ago as a sophomore and had to sit out last season with a knee injury.

“It’s nice to have some experience coming back and the rapport they have with each other,” said Hansen. “It makes for a smoother start to the season for sure.

“These eight girls have been extremely loyal to the program and the underclass-

men definitely see that. I’m grateful for that and excited to see how they end their careers here.”

Seven of the eight players on the roster are seniors. They include Ava Eddy, Crystal Garcia, Kennedy Knaff, Ella Coss, Ella Martin, Elaina Reddin and Gonzalez. The lone junior is Laylie Denault, who was in the starting lineup for every game last year.

“Eddy, Garcia, Coss, Martin and Knaff all started at some point last season,” noted Hansen. “I know they will all play hard and push each other. They’re all very athletic kids and we’re pushing hard for them to use their athleticism on defense and turn it into points.

“I’d like to see them all make a major jump forward offensively as far as taking more chances and being more confident with the ball. They’re great leaders and I’m hoping they take those leadership roles to that level of being a player-led team, which are always the most successful teams.”

Hansen said Denault “is insanely athletic” and he’s excited to see her take another step forward with her game on both ends of the floor. Gonzalez is also a returning starter, but that happened two years ago as she missed all of last season while rehabbing from an ACL injury. She was the second leading rebounder two years ago and also showed ability to score the basketball.

“Cassie brings some height that we lacked a lit-



Front row, left to right, Ava Eddy, Crystal Garcia, Ella Martin, Laylie Denault, Ella Coss, Kennedy Knaff. Back row, assistant coach Gary Barrera, assistant coach Matt Gehm, head coach John Hansen, Cassie Gonzalez, Elaina Reddin, assistant coach Joe Hughes, assistant coach Maddie Holdiman.

tle last year,” said Hansen. “Elaina Reddin also adds height and athleticism in the post.

“Both girls will have some ‘rust’ and some catching up to do experience-wise, but I expect them to contribute their share at both ends of the court.”

Hansen said two things he isn’t fond of as a coach are missing his family and losing.

“There is no question we’re tired of losing,” added Hansen. “We’re extremely proud of the program we’re building, but we all 100 per-

cent want to be the team that starts a more competitive trend in the right direction.

“We want to be competitive every night. That’s it. When you stop worrying about your opponent’s skill level, the outside judgment of losing, and just worry about being our absolute best every single night, you start finding more success.

“So that’s what we’re preaching. Be the absolute best version of you that you can be. And sometimes you’ll look up at the scoreboard and realize you’re playing better than expected

because you stopped worrying about it and just played

your tail off for the people around you.”

Mendota Varsity Girls' Basketball Roster 2024-25

No	Player	Ht	Pos	Yr
1	Ava Eddy	5-2	G	Sr
4	Crystal Garcia	5-4	G	Sr
5	Elaina Reddin	5-10	F	Sr
10	Kennedy Knaff	5-6	G	Sr
11	Ella Coss	5-6	G	Sr
13	Ella Martin	5-4	G	Sr
14	Laylie Denault	5-6	G	Jr
23	Cassie Gonzalez	5-9	F	Sr

Head coach: John Hansen
Assistant coach: Matt Gehm



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Trojan cagers looking to continue taking steps forward

MENDOTA – The Mendota boys' basketball program made significant leaps last year with a combined win total of 58 among all three levels and is hoping to continue its upward trend with the 2024-25 season.

While 1,000-point career scorer Izaiah Nanez has graduated along with some other key seniors to last year's team, Mendota coach Steve Wasmer is confident this year's players can shoulder the load.

"Anytime you lose a four-year player and a 1,000-point scorer like Izaiah, it's going to be a bit of an adjustment," said Wasmer. "Cale Strouss was also a huge part of what we did last year as far as knowing game situations and on the defensive end.

"That being said, we have a lot of guys with very good basketball IQs returning that will make the transition much easier."

This year's roster boasts just three seniors – two of whom were in the starting lineup much of last season – Braiden Freeman and Cam Kelly. The other senior is Evan McPheeters.

"Freeman will do the Freeman things," stated Wasmer. "He won't score a ton, but he'll fly around the court and drive the other team nuts. He'll be one of our better defenders.

"Cam was our best defender this summer and has gotten much more aggressive. He's turned into a leader and we expect a big year from him."

Wasmer noted that McPheeters does all the

"little things" well and the coach expects to get some good minutes on the floor from him.

Two juniors who saw considerable court time last year as sophomores are Aden Tillman and Dane Doyle. Both are capable of filling up the basket on the offensive end and Wasmer expects to see that out of both of them with a season of varsity basketball under their belts.

"We expect a ton from them," emphasized Wasmer. "Aden made 85 three-pointers last year. He's an elite shooter – not good, elite. He was second-team all-conference last year and could be first team this year.

"Dane, in my mind, is the key for us this year. He's an excellent offensive player and probably the best passer on the team. We are really hoping both of these guys can make strides on the defensive end."

Other juniors on the roster are Alex Beetz, Keegan Beetz, Grady Jones, Jonas Fitzgerald and Johan Cortez. Wasmer indicated all of them have certain skills that can help the team succeed.

"Alex (Beetz) will definitely be part of the rotation," stated Wasmer. "He's jet quick and can get into the paint and create. He's going to be an important piece of the puzzle this year.

"The other juniors all bring really good things to the table as well. Practices will be competitive this year with a lot of guys looking to get playing time."

Rounding out the roster are sophomore Drew Becker



Front row, left to right, assistant coach Pat Reeder, assistant coach Drake O'Donnell, assistant coach Nick Ganz, head coach Steve Wasmer, assistant coach Evan Carroll, assistant coach Ryan Reeder, assistant coach Nate Hachenberger. Middle row, manager Dell Dennis, Johan Cortez, Alex Beetz, Grady Jones, Cam Kelly, Evan McPheeters. Back row, Keegan Beetz, Aden Tillman, Cole Tillman, Drew Becker, Jonas Fitzgerald, Dane Doyle, Braiden Freeman.

and freshman Cole Tillman. Becker is the tallest member of the team at 6-5 and can play inside and outside.

"He's worked really hard on his game," noted Wasmer. "He's 6-5 with great physical skills. He can knock down the three and is an excellent rebounder for a sophomore."

Cole Tillman helped propel the Holy Cross eighth grade team to a state championship last year, and while this will be his first season of high school basketball, Wasmer expects him to make an immediate impact.

"Cole won't be a secret for too long," Wasmer said. "There were games this summer where he was the

best player on the floor for either team.

"For a freshman, his basketball IQ is through the roof. I'm going to have to remember that he is a freshman sometimes because he sees and plays the game at an advanced level."

The success of the MHS boys' basketball program last year has given reason to adopt the motto, "Next Step" for this year's squad.

"Last year we were in almost every game, but didn't quite know how to win yet," explained Wasmer. "We will set some specific goals for the season, and my expectation is 20+ wins and competing for post-season plaques.

"We may take some lumps early because we are so young, but by the end of the year I think we're going to be tough to beat."

Mendota Varsity Boys' Basketball Roster 2024-25

No	Player	Ht	Pos	Yr
1	Cole Tillman	6-5	G	Fr
2	Alex Beetz	6-0	G	Jr
3	Cam Kelly	5-11	G	Sr
4	Johan Cortez	5-10	G	Jr
5	Keegan Beetz	6-0	F	Jr
10	Evan McPheeters	6-0	G	Sr
11	Aden Tillman	6-1	G	Jr
12	Braiden Freeman	6-1	F	Sr
13	Drew Becker	6-5	F	So
23	Dane Doyle	6-3	F	Jr
44	Jonas Fitzgerald	6-8	C	Jr
45	Grady Jones	6-0	F	Jr

Head coach: Steve Wasmer
Assistant coach: Nick Ganz



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MHS bowling teams bring back experience on both squads

MENDOTA—The 2024-25 Mendota boys' bowling team has a solid group of returning bowlers while the girls' team has two returnees this season.

There are 13 boys on this year's squad, five of whom are seniors. BJ Bresley and Aiden Kent-Tucker have the most varsity experience out of the senior class, while other seniors are Josh Sondgeroth, Wyatt Sondgeroth and Jack Gillespie.

The most varsity bowling experience comes from the junior class, led by Paxton Bauer, Alex Holland and Kooper Novak. One other junior, Caeleb Ensor, also returns.

"We have three bowlers returning that were on the all-area team last year in Alex, Kooper and Paxton," said MHS head coach Matt Bauer. "So far Alex is averaging over 200. Kooper, Paxton, BJ and Aiden are below where they were finishing last year, but

not by much. We're only talking about five or six pins. They're still trying to get the rust off.

"I'm guessing and pretty confident that at least five of our guys are going to be 200 or 195 averages pretty much the rest of the year. We're going to need that to make another run at everything we did last year.

"The cool thing about it is we lost Landon (Bauer) to college and Alex is already averaging where Landon's season-ending average was. He might be dead on it right now. He's making up for Landon's loss and with the other guys mentioned being able to get up there some more, we're going to be in good shape."

Matt Bauer said a lot of the early-season struggles is mental, and he believes when the guys get more lane time, he's confident in what the team can do as the season goes on.

"These guys have to get

their heads back into it, and when that comes around, we're going to be back up there. We have five bowlers that have the potential to have 200 to 215 averages for the whole year.

"That's going to win us a lot of matches and that's what you need to be successful in the post-season tournament play. You have to be putting up high 900 series to 1000-1100 matches and that's what we need."

The rest of the roster is made up of three sophomores and one freshman. The sophomores are Toby Bulen, Cole Nosalik and Caiden Holiday, while Corbin Doll is the lone freshman.

Last year's squad missed making the state tournament by 57 pins and Bauer said the potential is there to go as far or even exceed what the Trojans did in 2023-24.

"We're doing a lot of drills, picking up spares and working on the mental parts of the game, and just trying to get



Front row, left to right, Josh Sondgeroth, Wyatt Sondgeroth, Cole Nosalik, Paxton Bauer, Aiden Kent-Tucker, Caiden Holiday. Back row, Kooper Novak, Caeleb Ensor, Corbin Doll, Toby Bulen, Alex Holland, BJ Bresley, Jack Gillespie.



Left to right, Ashlynn Rickels, Madison Sproston, Lauren Holland, McKenzie Sproston.

everybody in order," added Bauer. "I can see us going as far as we did last year."

Bauer said the Sondgeroth brothers along with Ensor have improved their games considerably from last year and he said he could confidently move them up into varsity spots if needed.

"Things are clicking for them early and they've been staying pretty consistent," added Bauer.

"I think it should be a promising season for the boys," explained Bauer. "We needed one other guy in a spot that could put up solid numbers match after match last year and we just didn't have it, but I think we've got it this year."

The girls' team consists of just four bowlers. Lauren Holland and Madison Sproston are seniors,

while Ashlynn Rickels and McKenzie Sproston are freshmen.

"Lauren and Madison started jelling pretty good toward the end of last season, so I'm expecting good

seasons out of them," Bauer said. "I don't know how far we can get them as a team, but I suspect Lauren is probably going to go as far as she did last year, which was the sectional."

Here's to a great season MHS!



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Mendota Sophomore Girls' Basketball Roster 2024-25

No	Player	Ht	Pos	Yr
1	Kate Strouss	5-4	G	So
5	Kara Miars	4-11	G	So
10	Brooklyn Baxa	5-7	G	So
11	Mariyah Elam	5-9	F	So
12	Jocelynn Figueroa	5-3	G	So
13	Reyshawna Durr	5-4	G	So
14	Karson Doyle	5-10	F	Fr
15	Karissa Freeman	5-5	G	So
21	Eden Pecher	5-3	G	So
22	Emily Sondgeroth	5-6	F	So
32	Emily Diaz	5-6	F	So
34	Addy Perryman	5-8	F	So

Head coach: Joe Hughes



Junior Varsity Boys' Basketball

Front row, left to right, Carter Wujek, Javy Hernandez, Cayden Taliani, Cesar Casas, Collin Coss. Middle row, Blake Bute, Eddie Bautista, Benoni Hernandez, Jayden Lesley. Back row, assistant coach Pat Reeder, Jamal Lesley, Drew Becker, Andrew Rinaldo, head coach Ryan Reeder.



Mendota Junior Varsity Boys' Basketball Roster 2024-25

No	Player	Ht	Pos	Yr
1	Javy Hernandez	5-7	G	So
2	Jayden Lesley	5-10	G	So
3	Jamal Lesley	5-11	G	So
4	Cayden Taliani	5-10	G	So
5	Cesar Casas	5-10	G	So
10	Benoni Hernandez	5-8	F	So
11	Blake Bute	5-8	G	So
12	Collin Coss	5-10	F	So
13	Drew Becker	6-5	F	So
14	Carter Wujek	6-0	F	So
15	Andrew Rinaldo	6-6	C	So
33	Eddie Bautista	5-7	G	Jr
35	Cam Wasmer	6-3	F	So

Head coach: Ryan Reeder

Assistant coach: Pat Reeder

Volunteer assistant: Evan Carroll

Volunteer assistant: Drake O'Donnell

Volunteer assistant: Austin O'Sadnick

Sophomore Girls' Basketball

Front row, left to right, Brooklyn Baxa, Emily Diaz, Karissa Freeman, Reyshawna Durr. Middle row, Kara Miars, Eden Pecher, Emily Sondgeroth, Kate Strouss, Jocelynn Figueroa. Back row, Mariyah Elam, Karson Doyle, Addy Perryman, coach John Hansen, head coach Joe Hughes, coach Matt Gehm.



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• MHS Winter Sports Schedules •

Boys' Bowling

Nov. 30 – at Oregon Classic – 8 a.m.
 Dec. 2 – at Streator – 4 p.m.
 Dec. 7 – at Oregon – 10 a.m.
 Dec. 9 – at Geneseo – 4 p.m.
 Dec. 14 – at LaSalle-Peru Invite – 9 a.m.
 Dec. 18 – Plano – 4 p.m.
 Dec. 27 – at R. Boylan Invite – 8 a.m.
 Jan. 6 – Ottawa – 4 p.m.
 Jan. 7 – at Rockford Christian – 4 p.m.
 Jan. 8 – Streator – 4 p.m.
 Jan. 9 – at LaSalle-Peru – 4 p.m.
 Jan. 11 – at Hoopston Tour. – 9 a.m.
 Jan. 15 – Dixon – 4 p.m.
 Jan. 18 – Regional

Girls' Bowling

Dec. 7 – at Kewanee Invite – 9 a.m.
 Dec. 16 – Hall – 4:30 p.m.
 Jan. 7 – Geneseo – 4 p.m.
 Jan. 9 – LaSalle-Peru – 4 p.m.
 Jan. 17 – Dixon – 4 p.m.
 Jan. 21 – at LaSalle-Peru – 4 p.m.
 Jan. 22 – TRAC Tourney – 12:30 p.m.
 Jan. 23 – Streator – 4 p.m.
 Jan. 24 – Dixon – 4 p.m.
 Jan. 27 – Ottawa – 4 p.m.
 Feb. 1 – at Dixon Invite
 Feb. 3 – at Streator – 4 p.m.
 Feb. 4 – at Kewanee – 4 p.m.
 Feb. 5 – at Hall – 4 p.m.
 Feb. 8 – Regional

Wrestling

Dec. 3 – at Morrison – 5:30 p.m.
 Dec. 6 – at Seneca – 4:30 p.m.
 Dec. 7 – at Princeton Invite (girls) – 9 a.m.
 Dec. 10 – Somonauk, Winnebago – 5:30 p.m.
 Dec. 13-14 – at Plano Classic
 Dec. 18 – at Putnam Co. – 5:30 p.m.
 Dec. 19 – Ottawa, Streator – 5 p.m.
 Dec. 21 – at Stillman V. Invite – 9 a.m.
 Dec. 27 – at Sandwich Dual – 9 a.m.
 Dec. 30 – at Ottawa Invite (G) – 9 a.m.
 Jan. 4 – at Kewanee Quad – 8 a.m.
 Jan. 9 – at Amboy – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 10 – at Oregon – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 11 – at Amboy JV Tourney
 Jan. 14 – at Newman – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 16 – at Erie – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 18 – at Kewanee Invite – 9 a.m.
 Jan. 21 – at Princeton – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 29 – Polo, Streator – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 30 – at Lisle – 5 p.m.
 Jan. 31-Feb. 1 – Regional (girls)
 Feb. 8 – Regional (boys)

Girls' Basketball

Dec. 2 – at Hall – 5:30 p.m.
 Dec. 5 – Newman – 5:30 p.m.
 Dec. 12 – Princeton – 5:30 p.m.
 Dec. 14 – at Streator – 10 a.m.
 Dec. 20 – Earlville – 5:30 p.m.
 Dec. 21 – Bureau Valley – 11 a.m.

Dec. 26-28 – at Amboy Holiday Tournament
 Jan. 2 – at LaSalle-Peru – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 3 – Amboy – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 6 – at Erie – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 9 – Kewanee – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 11 – at Orion Round Robin
 Jan. 13 – Genoa-K. – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 16 – Hall – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 23 – at Newman – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 28 – at Hinckley-BR – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 30 – at Princeton – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 3 – Rochelle – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 5 – at Somonauk – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 6 – Erie – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 10 – at Kewanee – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 11 – at Putnam Co. – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 13 – Newark – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 17-21 – Regional

Boys' Basketball

Dec. 7-14 – at Hall Colmone Classic (V&S)
 Dec. 17 – Rock Falls – 5:30 p.m.
 Dec. 18 – Sycamore – 5:30 p.m.
 Dec. 20 – at Princeton – 5:30 p.m.
 Dec. 23-28 – at Plano Classic (V&S)
 Jan. 7 – at Ottawa – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 10 – at Erie – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 11 – LaSalle-Peru – 1:30 p.m.
 Jan. 14 – Newman – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 15 – at Byron – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 17 – Kewanee – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 21 – Amboy – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 24 – Hall – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 31 – at Newman – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 4 – at Hall – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 7 – Princeton – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 12 – at Stillman V. – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 14 – Erie – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 15 – Oregon – 1:30 p.m.
 Feb. 18 – at Kewanee – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 20 – at Putnam Co. – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 24-28 – Regional

Freshman Boys' Basketball

Dec. 9 – at Marquette – 5:30 p.m.
 Dec. 17 – Rock Falls – 5:30 p.m.
 Dec. 18 – Sycamore – 5:30 p.m.
 Dec. 26-27 – at L-P Tourney – 9 a.m.
 Jan. 7 – at Ottawa – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 10 – at Erie – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 11 – LaSalle-Peru – 1:30 p.m.
 Jan. 14 – Newman – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 15 – at Byron – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 17 – Kewanee – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 18 – at Newman Jamboree – 9 a.m.
 Jan. 24 – Hall – 5:30 p.m.
 Jan. 31 – at Newman – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 4 – at Hall – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 7 – Princeton – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 12 – at Stillman V. – 4:30 p.m.
 Feb. 14 – Erie – 5:30 p.m.
 Feb. 15 – Oregon – 12:30 p.m.
 Feb. 18 – at Kewanee – 5:30 p.m.



Freshman Boys' Basketball

Front row, left to right, Tomas Corrigan, Ross Sondgeroth, Diego Diaz, Viktor Angulo, Danny Guerrero. Middle row, manager Dell Dennis, Cooper Beetz, Esten Otero, Jax Hiner. Back row, Omar Nanez, Cannon Chaon, Abel Nanez, Ashtyn Stamberger, head coach Nate Hachenberger.

Mendota Freshman Boys' Basketball Roster 2024-25

No	Player	Ht	Pos	Yr
3	Diego Diaz	5-10	G	Fr
5	Omar Nanez	6-0	F	Fr
4	Esten Otero	5-7	G	Fr
10	Ross Sondgeroth	5-9	G	Fr
11	Abel Nanez	6-2	F	Fr
12	Cooper Beetz	5-6	G	Fr
14	Viktor Angulo	5-10	F	Fr
21	Ashtyn Stamberger	6-2	F	Fr
23	Tomas Corrigan	6-0	F	Fr
25	Cannon Chaon	6-1	C	Fr
51	Jax Hiner	5-3	G	Fr
52	Danny Guerrero	5-7	F	Fr

Head coach: Nate Hachenberger

Mendota Freshman Girls' Basketball Roster 2024-25

No	Player	Ht	Pos	Yr
1	Kaeyle Brown	5-7	G	Fr
2	Mikayla Hamill	5-0	G	Fr
3	Savannah Lenert	5-1	G	Fr
4	Hayley Diaz	5-6	G/F	Fr
5	Karlee Organ	5-4	G	Fr
10	Mia Barringer	5-7	G/F	Fr
11	Kamilah Preciado	5-7	F/C	Fr
13	Rylee Woods	5-8	F/C	Fr
14	Leah Schwemlein	5-5	G	Fr
20	Charlee Dankenbring	5-9	C/F	Fr
21	Sam Tunk	5-7	F	Fr
22	Marisa Martinez	5-3	G	Fr
23	Lupita Sandoval	5-5	G/F	Fr
25	Emma Corson	6-0	C	Fr

Head coach: Gary Barrera

Volunteer assistant: Maddie Holdiman



Freshman Girls' Basketball

Front row, left to right, Lupita Sandoval, Leah Schwemlein, Hayley Diaz, Kamilah Preciado, Kaeyle Brown. Middle row, Mikayla Hamill, Savannah Lenert, Mia Barringer, Karlee Organ, Marisa Martinez, assistant coach Maddie Holdiman. Back row, head coach Gary Barrera, Rylee Woods, Emma Corson, Charlee Dankenbring, Sam Tunk.

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