

Press Clippings - 9/16/2024

- Daily Herald - Glenview Park District names division director of recreation and museum services

By: Norrine Twohey

Date: September 16, 2024



School District U-46 Board of Education recently honored the students who earned first place in the Illinois Future Problem Solving Bowl.

- On Monday, Sept. 9, the School District U-46 Board of Education honored eight students with “Accent on Achievement” certificates for earning first place in the Illinois Future Problem Solving Bowl, a statewide competition held last April that encouraged students to create meaningful connections between their classroom learning and real-world issues.

Neda Bazys, a junior at Bartlett High School, placed first in the individual competition at the senior level. Zinnia Saher placed first in the individual competition at the middle level and was a member of the group that finished first in the team competition. She is a freshman at Bartlett High School.

In addition to Zinnia, the team winners in the middle division were Andrew Punnoose and Sophia Lee, freshmen at Elgin High School, and Aiken Navarro, a freshman at Streamwood High School.

The team competition at the senior level was won by Michelle Cardozo, a sophomore at Elgin High School, and Nishi Sheth and Katelyn Wong, both sophomores at Bartlett High School.

- Manuel Ortiz, an Army veteran from Northbrook, participated in the 31st National Disabled Veterans Golf Clinic on Sept. 8-13 in Riverside, Iowa.

The five-day Golf Clinic offered Ortiz and other participants adaptive sports therapy opportunities, including golf, cycling, bowling, kayaking, Frisbee golf, a rock wall, as well as workshops and other activities.

The Golf Clinic was sponsored by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and DAV (Disabled American Veterans), with financial assistance from corporate sponsors and individual donors.

To read the full article, please click [here](#).

- Daily Herald - Kane County Health Department releases 2024 Youth Voices Forum on Mental Health Report

By: Kane County Health Department

Date: September 13, 2024



Kane County Health Department's 2024 Youth Voices Forum on Mental Health Report.

The Kane County Health Department and the Kane County Regional Office of Education, as part of the Kane County System of Care for Children's Mental Health, organized the fifth annual Youth Voices Forum on Mental Health on Feb. 2.

The health department recently released a report detailing the event, which identified student-reported needs for mental health support and outlined action steps for young people, schools, parents, and the community.

School mental health professionals and community leaders gathered to hear from 80 students representing eight different high schools across Kane County.

The students shared their opinions on existing mental health services and what additional supports are needed. Participating schools included: Bartlett, Dundee-Crown, Elgin, Geneva, Larkin, South Elgin, Streamwood, and West Aurora high schools.

This year, the students identified the following key mental health needs:

- Enhanced accessibility to trauma-informed, culturally sensitive, and gender-affirming mental health resources in schools and the community, with a focus on the unique challenges faced by the Latinx community.
- Increased knowledge and understanding of mental health challenges among families and school staff to break the cycle of stigma surrounding help-seeking and conversations about mental health.
- Safe environments and relationships that provide opportunities to further develop social skills, healthy emotional vulnerability, and positive relationships.
- A desire to feel validated, supported, and seen by parents, caregivers, teachers, mental health staff, and peers.

"Young individuals have firsthand insight into their own mental health experiences and understand what works for them," said Michael Isaacson, executive director. "It's essential to listen to their voices to ensure the community offers services that truly meet their needs."

This was the fifth youth-focused event hosted by the Kane County System of Care since the Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation awarded a seven-year, \$2.3 million grant to the Kane County Health Department in 2018.

- Rollingout - Outrage in Elgin: Teacher allegedly calls 11-year-old girl racial slurs

The harassment led to bullying from other students

By: Amari Apple

Date: Sep. 15, 2024



In a shocking incident that has ignited outrage and concern within the community, a parent has filed a federal civil rights lawsuit against a school district in Elgin, Ill, after her daughter was allegedly subjected to racial slurs by a teacher. The lawsuit, filed on Sept. 10, accuses the school district and a female math teacher of violating the civil rights of the 11-year-old girl, who was called the N-word and labeled as “mentally ill” during class.

The alleged incident took place on Sept. 12, 2023, just days into the new school year at Ellis Middle School. Amica Richardson, the mother of the girl, claims that the teacher confronted her daughter aggressively, using derogatory language that not only humiliated her but also set the stage for further bullying by classmates.

According to the lawsuit, the teacher reportedly asked the girl, “What should you be called? What should I address you as? The N-word or Black?” This confrontation left a lasting impact on the young student, who has an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) designed to support children with disabilities or special needs.

Legal Action and Allegations

Richardson’s lawsuit includes six charges against the teacher and the Elgin School District, citing violations of the Equal Educational Opportunity Act and intentional infliction of emotional distress. The complaint highlights the severe emotional distress, mental anguish, and humiliation the girl has endured since the incident.

Richardson’s attorney, Jack Casciato, emphasized the ripple effect of the teacher’s alleged actions, stating that the harassment led to bullying from other students. “She was called the N-word, and it’s been confirmed by six statements from other students in the class, leading to bullying because students see it as the right thing to do,” he explained during a press conference.

Impact on the Victim

The emotional toll on Richardson’s daughter has been profound. The young girl reportedly expressed a desire to distance herself from her racial identity, saying, “She just don’t want to be Black anymore.”

Despite the trauma, the girl continues to attend Ellis Middle School, but her mother has voiced concerns about her well-being and comfort in the educational environment. Richardson kept her daughter home for several weeks following the incident, and upon her return, the teacher involved was no longer present at the school. However, the Elgin School District has not confirmed whether the teacher was terminated, citing privacy laws.

School District's Response

The U-46 school district has refrained from commenting on the specifics of the lawsuit but issued a statement emphasizing their commitment to student welfare. "School district U-46 does not endorse or tolerate any use of epithets of any kind, nor does the school district endorse or tolerate any disparaging remarks or slurs. Our priority remains the well-being and education of our students," the statement read.

Community Reaction

The incident has sparked widespread outrage among parents and community members, who are calling for accountability and a thorough investigation into the school's handling of the situation. Many are rallying around Richardson and her daughter, advocating for a safe and supportive educational environment for all students, particularly those from marginalized backgrounds.

This case highlights the ongoing issues of racism and discrimination within educational institutions, raising critical questions about how schools address such serious allegations and protect their students. As the lawsuit unfolds, it serves as a reminder of the importance of fostering an inclusive and respectful atmosphere in schools, where every child can feel safe and valued.

- Daily Herald -

Girls golf: DG South's Wanserski tops field at Jacobs

By: Dave Hess
Date: September 14, 2024

Mia Wanserski beat the heat and the rest of the field at Jacobs' second annual Eagles Cup held Saturday at Golf Club of Illinois.

Wanserski, from Downers Grove South, Amelia Tan of Chicago U-High and Downers Grove North's Madeline Quirk all shot 77's.

Wanserski won the tie-breaker with a 34 on the front 9.

"I made some mistakes but played solid," said Wanserski. "It was hot but I had a lot of fun."

Mustangs coach Lindsay DeGiulio was impressed with the junior's effort.

"Mia played very well," said DeGiulio. "Her driver and long irons were working. She played with great confidence and grinded it out in the elements and heat. She did a great job and played with great focus."

As a team the Mustangs finished third with a score of 358.

Natalie Marten shot a 90, Susan Galvan carded a 95 and Savannah Makenas had a 96.

Downers Grove North claimed the team title with a score of 333. Quirk's 77 keyed DGN's championship. Charlotte Labianco had an 82, Lexi Fertig an 86, Riley Prince shot 89 and Grace Dicke 95.

Lake Park was runner-up with a score of 338. Sam Rottinger led the Lancers with an 81 followed by Amaani Patel (82), Jenna Danicek (87), Isha Patel (88) and Ella Ratini (92).

St. Viator's Lily Zicarelli was ninth individually with an 82. Zicarelli will play golf collegiately at Wisconsin-Parkside.

"Lily played very well," said St. Viator coach Jack Halpin. "It was a long course and a hot day."

Westminster Christian is in its first year. They were led by Colbie Canning with a 93..

St. Francis shot a 368 led by an 88 from Molly Brennan.

Hampshire scored a 380 paced by a 92 from Estancia Arenas. York, led by an 89 from Mia Koenigsberger, also shot 380.

"I am proud of the girls," said coach Eric Samuelson. "We have been struggling. We cleared the mechanism."

Huntley and U-46 co-op shot 396s. Maddie Sloan (90) led the Red Raiders and Jade Mazenis (86) topped U-46.

Jacobs and Geneva both scored 397. Emma Skarosi shot a 91 to lead Jacobs and Geneva was led by a 91 from Paige Flanigan.

"We played a lot of golf this week and we are a tired team," said Jacobs coach Paul Anderson. "We battled today and hopefully with the conference and regionals coming up we got all our bad golf out of our system."

- Daily Herald -
High school scores for Sept. 14

Date: September 14, 2024



Carmel's Samantha Crow during the 45th Waukegan Invitational Saturday, Sep. 14, 2024 at the Bonnie Brook Golf Course in Waukegan.

Girls volleyball

IMSA Glenn Schwartzwalder Classic

Aurora East d. Larkin 25-18, 21-25, 15-12

Aurora East d. Mooseheart 25-7, 25-12

IMSA d. Aurora East 25-20, 25-15

Westmont 2, Larkin 0

Westmont d. Aurora East 25-23, 25-19

Westmont d. IMSA 24-26, 25-19, 15-14

Westmont d. Mooseheart 25-10, 25-15

Westmont d. Proviso West 25-19, 18-25, 15-10

Boys soccer

BodyArmor Series

Francis W. Parker 7, Westmont 0

Lyons 3, Addison Trail 0

Maine South 4, Wheaton Academy 1

Metea Valley 1, Lincoln-Way East 1 (MV wins PKs 6-5)

Round Lake 2, Taft 0

Solorio 6, St. Viator 0

South Elgin 5, Nazareth 0

Warren 3, Glenbard North 1

Plainfield North Invitational

Oswego East 5, Neuqua Valley 2

Waubonsie Valley 2, Glenbard West 1

Lockport 3, Downers Grove North 0

Streamwood Sabres Tournament

Elgin 8, Wheaton North 0

Leyden 1, OPRF 1

Lyons 3, Addison Trail 0

Stagg 2, West Chicago 1

Streamwood 2, St. Charles East 0

Whitney Young 3, Dundee-Crown 0
York 2, Timothy Christian 0

Others

Aurora Central Catholic 6, Marengo 2
Barrington 2, Union Grove (WI) 0
Downers Grove South 3, Glenbard East 1
Elk Grove 3, Bartlett 2
Fremd 3, Huntley 1
Grayslake North 2, Vernon Hills 1
Hersey 2, Buffalo Grove 1
Hinsdale South 5, Glenbard South 0
Lake Forest 6, Antioch 1
Lake Park 1, Hoffman Estates 1
Lake Zurich 4, Crystal Lake South 0
Libertyville 5, Carmel 0
Mundelein 2, Grayslake Central 1
Naperville North 2, Peoria Notre Dame 0
New Trier 3, Hinsdale Central 0
Rolling Meadows 2, Jacobs 0
Schaumburg 3, Maine East 0
West Aurora 2, Geneva 1

Girls flag football

Dundee-Crown Bowl
McHenry 42, Bartlett 0
McHenry 36, Dundee-Crown 0
Evanston Invitational
Hersey 36, Elk Grove 6
Round Lake Invitational
Grant 8, Grayslake North 6
Lakes 20, Wauconda 6
Lakes 29, Grayslake Central 0
Round Lake 30, Grant 0
Round Lake 7, Antioch 6

Others

Hersey 36, Elk Grove 6
Freeport 34, Elgin 0
Hampshire 26, Elgin 0
Freeport 33, Hampshire 6
Schaumburg 24, Glenbard North 6
Schaumburg 16, Niles North 12
Wheeling 27, Vernon Hills 7

Girls tennis

Huntley Quad

Huntley 4, Rolling Meadows 1
Huntley 5, South Elgin 0
Huntley 3, Hononegah 2

Monday, Sep 16

Girls volleyball

Aurora Christian at St. Edward, 6:30 p.m.
Burlington Central at Hampshire, 5:30 p.m.
Carmel at Grayslake Central, 6 p.m.
Chesterton Academy at Aurora Christian, 5:30 p.m.
Conant at Lake Park, 5:30 p.m.
Maine South at New Trier, 6 p.m.
Mundelein at Grayslake North, 6 p.m.
Naperville North at West Aurora, 5:30 p.m.
Nazareth at Metea Valley, 5:30 p.m.
Newark at Aurora Central Catholic, 6:30 p.m.
Palatine at Stevenson, 6 p.m.
Plainfield Central at Downers Grove South, 5:30 p.m.
Plainfield South at Wheaton Warrenville South, 5:30 p.m.
Round Lake at Larkin, 5:30 p.m.
Warren at Wauconda, 6 p.m.
Waukegan at Antioch, 6 p.m.
Wheaton Academy at Rockford Christian, 6:30 p.m.
Willows Academy at St. Edward, 6 p.m.

Boys soccer

Antioch at Badger (WI), 6:30 p.m.
Downers Grove North, Glenbard West, Neuqua Valley, Waubonsie Valley at Plainfield North Invitational, TBA
Dundee-Crown, Elgin, St. Charles East, Timothy Christian, Wheaton North at Streamwood Sabre Invitational, TBA
Hinsdale Central at Joliet West, 6:15 p.m.
Leyden at West Chicago, 6 p.m.
Maine South, Round Lake, St. Viator at Bloom Twp. Body Armour Tournament, TBD
Rochelle at Kaneland, 4:30 p.m.
Warren Tournament, TBD

Boys golf

Antioch Quad (Spring Valley CC), 4 p.m.
Barrington, Fremd, New Trier at Mundelein Invitational (Sheperds Crook GC), 2 p.m.
Bartlett, Batavia, Elgin, Fenton, Glenbard North, Glenbard South, Hoffman Estates, Metea Valley, South Elgin, Streamwood, West Aurora, Willowbrook at West Chicago Invitational (St. Andrews GC), 2 p.m.
Carmel at Lakes (Thunderhawk GC), 4 p.m.
Conant at Maine South (Park Ridge CC), 4 p.m.
DePaul Prep at St. Viator (Old Orchard CC), 4:30 p.m.
Downers Grove North at Downers Grove South (Village Greens), 3 p.m.

Hersey, Prospect at Rolling Meadows Triangular (Arlington Lakes GC), 3 p.m.
Hinsdale South at Riverside-Brookfield (Flagg Creek), 4:30 p.m.
Leyden at Elk Grove (Fox Run GC), 3:30 p.m.
Libertyville at Stevenson (Arboretum GC), 4 p.m.
Kaneland, Marmion Academy at Ottawa Invitational (Deer Park), 1 p.m.
Naperville North, Waubonsie Valley at Benet Triangular, TBA
Warren at Deerfield (Deerfield GC), 4 p.m.
Westmont at St. Edward (Highlands), 4 p.m.
Wheaton Academy at Chicago Christian (Silver Lake), 4 p.m.
York at Lyons, 4 p.m.

Girls golf

Antioch at Grant (Hickory Knoll GC), 4 p.m.
Benet at Carmel (Pine Meadow GC), 4 p.m.
Burlington Central at McHenry (Boone Creek), 4:15 p.m.
Cary-Grove/Crystal Lake Co-op at Dundee-Crown (Bonnie Dundee), 4:15 p.m.
Conant, Prospect at Buffalo Grove Triangular (Buffalo Grove GC), 3:30 p.m.
Downers Grove South, Lyons at Downers Grove North (Downers Grove PDGC), 4 p.m.
Geneva at St. Charles East (Pottawatomie), 4 p.m.
Glenbard North at Wheaton North (Arrowhead), 3:30 p.m.
Glenbard South at West Aurora (Phillips Park), 4 p.m.
Glenbard West at York (Sugar Creek), 4 p.m.
Grayslake North at Wauconda (Prairie Isle), 4 p.m.
Hampshire at Prairie Ridge (Turnberry CC), 4:15 p.m.
Hinckley Big-Rock, Kaneland at Aurora Central Catholic (Phillips), 4 p.m.
Huntley at Jacobs (Randall Oaks), 4:15 p.m.
Lake Zurich at Stevenson (Cranes Landing GC), 4 p.m.
Libertyville at Warren (Bittersweet GC), 4 p.m.
Marist at St. Viator (Highland Woods GC), 4 p.m.
Mundelein at Waukegan (Bonnie Brook GC), 4:30 p.m.
Naperville Central at Metea Valley (Orchard Valley), 3:30 p.m.
Naperville North at Neuqua Valley (White Eagle), 3:30 p.m.
New Trier at Maine South (Park Ridge CC), 4 p.m.
Oak Park-River Forest at Hinsdale South (Village Greens), 4 p.m.
Rosary at Pontiac Invitational (Wolf Creek), 1 p.m.
South Elgin at Wheaton Academy (Villa Olivia), 4 p.m.
St. Charles North at Lake Park (Salt Creek), 3 p.m.
Wheaton Warrenville South at Batavia (Settlers Hills), 4 p.m.

Girls flag football

Addison Trail at Prospect, 7 p.m.
Glenbard North at St. Francis, 7 p.m.
Glenbard South at Glenbard West, 5:30 p.m.
Highland Park at Maine East, 6 p.m.
Hinsdale South at Fenton, 4:45 p.m.
Maine South at Deerfield, 4 p.m.
Palatine at Hoffman Estates, 6:45 p.m.

Rolling Meadows at Larkin, 5:30 p.m.
Streamwood at South Elgin, 6 p.m.
Vernon Hills at Maine West, 6 p.m.
Wauconda at Libertyville, 6:30 p.m.

Girls tennis

Bartlett at Lake Park, 4:30 p.m.
Benet at Downers Grove North, 4:30 p.m.
Bolingbrook at Willowbrook, 4:30 p.m.
Carmel at Warren, 4:45 p.m.
Crystal Lake Central at South Elgin, 4:30 p.m.
McHenry at Grayslake Central, 4:30 p.m.
Naperville Central at Wheaton North, 4:30 p.m.
Resurrection at Leyden, 4:30 p.m.
St. Francis at Wheaton Academy, 4:30 p.m.
Vernon Hills at Libertyville, 4:30 p.m.
Waubonsie Valley at Lincoln Way East, 4:30 p.m.
West Aurora at Geneva, 4 p.m.
Wheaton Warrenville South at Glenbard West, 4:30 p.m.

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- Daily Herald -

South Elgin gets back on track, shuts out Larkin

By: Jared Birchfield
Date: September 13, 2024

South Elgin burst into the win column with a 56-0 thrashing of Larkin Friday night at Memorial Field in the teams' Upstate Eight Western Division opener.

The Storm ended all eight drives in the end zone.

"I was very excited for the players. They deserved it. They worked very hard for it," South Elgin coach Patrick Pistorio said.

Quarterbacks John Ginnan and Carter McDonald took turns guiding the offense for South Elgin. The duo, a senior and a sophomore, together completed seven of nine passes for a total of 133 yards. Ishmael George hauled in five of the tosses for 97 yards and two touchdowns.

"Both had played this season, and we wanted to give both of them a series or two tonight. They were amazing and I'm happy with both of their performances," Pistorio said.

Running back Darrion Thurman led the ground game, rushing for 106 yards on 15 carriers and crossed the goal line twice.

“He had a great game, running physical. I was excited to see him run between the tackles,” the South Elgin coach said.

“We didn’t execute,” Larkin coach Vincent Ray said. “We had a game plan. Offensively, we let some things up. Defensively, we gave somethings up.”

George put South Elgin (1-2, 1-0) on the board at the 5:50 mark of the first quarter. The senior hauled in a 22-yard pass from John Ginnan (4 of 6 for 42 yards) in the right corner of the end zone.

South Elgin’s Nicolas Barkho intercepted a pass by Royals QB Julius Yandell to set up South Elgin’s second score at the 37-yard line. Brandon Berrios ended the drive with a 3-yard scamper with 47 seconds left in the first frame.

Thurman completed the Storm’s third possession on a 3-yard run with 6:13 left in the second quarter. With 2:10 left until halftime, Carter McDonald (3 of 3 for 91 yards) connected with George for a 55-yard TD for a South Elgin 28-0 halftime lead.

The Storm wasted no time increasing their advantage in the third quarter. Berrios caught the opening kick off of the second half and returned it 85 yards for a touchdown.

“I muffed it, but I picked the ball up and my blockers led the way,” Berrios said.

South Elgin’s remaining three touchdowns all started with interceptions of Yandell passes.

“We won the turnover battle,” Pistorio said. “That was very impressive.”

Berrios wrestled away the ball from Larkin (0-3, 0-1) receiver Tizairian Johnson-Williams at the Royals’ 31-yard line to set up the Storm’s sixth score, Thurman’s 1-yard plunge at the 9:59 mark of the third quarter.

Picks by Zacharia Barkho and Larry Smith also ended in Storm scores: a 1-yard run by Tyson Riley late in the third quarter and a 2-yard rush by Derek Thavisay in the fourth frame.

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High school scores for Sept. 13
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Hoffman Estates' Landon Ford avoids an attempted tackle by Maine East's Christopher Seeley during Friday's football game in Hoffman Estates.

Football

Antioch 63, Round Lake 0

Barrington 51, Glenbrook South 21

Batavia 56, Lake Park 6

Benet 42, DeLaSalle 0

Bradley-Bourbonnais 20, Waubonsie Valley 17

Burlington Central 33, Crystal Lake South 6

Carmel 27, Providence Catholic 24

Cary-Grove 48, McHenry 7

Crystal Lake Central 17, Dundee-Crown 14

Deerfield 28, Buffalo Grove 7

Downers Grove North 42, Glenbard West 7

Dwight/Gardner-So.Wilmington 46, Aurora Central Catholic 0

Fenton 54, Elmwood Park 36

Fremd 65, Highland Park 7

Geneva 45, Wheaton Warrenville South 31

Glenbard East 47, Bartlett 14

Glenbard South 63, West Chicago 8

Grant 23, North Chicago 7

Grayslake Central 36, Lakes 33

Hersey 28, Maine South 23

Hinsdale South 38, Leyden 0

Hoffman Estates 57, Maine East 0

Jacobs 26, Huntley 15

Kaneland 42, DeKalb 7

Lake Forest 38, Warren 7

Libertyville 43, Stevenson 14

Lincoln Way West 40, Metea Valley 7

Lyons 21, Hinsdale Central 16
Maine West 27, Conant 19
Marist 21, Montini 6
Naperville Central 31, Andrew 14
Naperville North 21, Lincoln Way Central 20 (OT)
Niles West 20 Elk Grove 0
Palatine 25, Evanston 19
Prairie Ridge 41, Hampshire 20
Prospect 43, New Trier 0
Rolling Meadows 42, Glenbrook North 34
Schaumburg 49, Niles North 21
South Elgin 56, Larkin 0
St. Charles East 40, Glenbard North 7 St. Charles North 31, Wheaton North 14
St. Francis 35, Loyola Academy 21
St. Ignatius 31, IC Catholic Prep 14
St. Viator 34, Marmion Academy 7
Streamwood 36, East Aurora 13
Wauconda 57, Grayslake North 33
West Aurora 56, Elgin 0
Wheaton Academy 27, Christian 7
Wheeling 27, Vernon Hills 7
Willowbrook 39, Addison Trail 28
Wilmington 56, Lisle 7
York 54, Downers Grove South 21
Chicago Hope Academy at Aurora Christian, 7 p.m.
Christ the King at St. Edward, 7 p.m.
Grayslake Central at Lakes 7 p.m.
Lake Zurich at Waukegan, 7 p.m.
Maine West at Conant, 7:30 p.m.
Mundelein at Zion-Benton, 7 p.m.

Thursday's late results

Girls volleyball

Addison Trail d. Fenton 25-16, 25-18
Montini d. Glenbard South 25-18, 23-25, 25-15
Manteno d. Lisle 25-15, 25-18
Wheaton Academy d. Rosary 22-25, 25-14, 25-14
South Elgin d. Glenbard North 25-27, 25-22, 26-24
Wheaton Warrenville South d. Streamwood 25-10, 25-8

Boys soccer

Conant 2, Buffalo Grove 1
Elgin 4, Larkin 0
Evanston 6, Maine East 0
Glenbrook South 6, Vernon Hills 1
Grayslake North 5, Grant 1
Hersey 4, Fremd 0
Libertyville 1, Stevenson 1
Maine South 4, Maine West 0
Prospect 4, Schaumburg 2
Rolling Meadows 4, Hoffman Estates 0
Romeoville 1, Hampshire 0
St. Charles East 3, Downers Grove North 0
St. Laurence 4, Aurora Central Catholic 0
Willowbrook 2, Glenbard South 1

Girls flag football
Buffalo Grove 26, Conant 16
Palatine 21, Wheeling 20
Lyons 20, Hinsdale Central 0
Hinsdale South 30, Rosary 0
Larkin 20, Belvidere 0

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- Chicago Tribune -

Football and local scores for the Southland, Aurora, Elgin, Naperville and Lake County

By: Staff Reports
Date: September 13, 2024



Argo's Deuce Rayner (2) runs for a gain against Reavis during a South Suburban Red game in Summit on Friday,

Sept. 13, 2024.

High school and local college results and highlights from the Southland, Aurora, Elgin, Naperville and Lake County coverage areas.

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

HIGH SCHOOLS

FOOTBALL

WEEK 3

CHICAGOLAND CHRISTIAN

Hope Academy 22, Aurora Christian 9

Wheaton Academy 27, Chicago Christian 7

Chicago Christian (2-1, 0-1): Christian Flutman TD pass to Kenny Jager.

DUKANE

Batavia 56, Lake Park 6

Batavia (3-0, 1-0): Brett Berggren 3 TD receptions. Nathan Whitwell 3 TDs.

Geneva 45, Wheaton Warrenville South 31

St. Charles East 40, Glenbard North 7

St. Charles North 31, Wheaton North 14

FOX VALLEY

Burlington Central 33, Crystal Lake South 6

Crystal Lake Central 17, Dundee-Crown 14 (OT)

Dundee-Crown (1-2, 1-2): Terrion Spencer 24-yard TD run in regulation.

Jacobs 26, Huntley 15

Jacobs (2-1, 2-1): T.O. Boddie 98-yard TD run.

Prairie Ridge 41, Hampshire 20

KISHWAUKEE RIVER

Sandwich 41, Plano 16

Sandwich (1-2, 1-0): Brady Behringer 2 TD runs (11, 17 yards), 6-yard TD pass to Kai Pon.

Simeion Harris 75-yard TD run.

Plano (1-2, 0-1): Amari Bryant 90-yard KO return TD.

NORTH SUBURBAN

Lake Forest 38, Warren 7

Lake Forest (3-0, 1-0): Marty Hippel 2 TD runs (48, 47 yards).

Lake Zurich 41, Waukegan 12

Libertyville 43, Stevenson 14

Libertyville (3-0, 1-0): Quinn Schambow 5 TD passes, 1-yard TD run.

NORTHERN LAKE COUNTY

Antioch 63, Round Lake 0

Grant 23, North Chicago 7

Grant (2-1, 1-0): Logan Myers INT return TD.

Wauconda 57, Grayslake North 33

Wauconda (2-1, 1-0): Jackson Rudolph 3 TDs.

SOUTH SUBURBAN BLUE

Lemont 27, Tinley Park 14

Oak Forest 24, Hillcrest 20

T.F. North 24, T.F. South 14

T.F. North (3-0, 1-0): Joseph Merritt 2 TD runs (9, 3). Jamirh Jolly 16-yard TD pass to Trevon Connor.

T.F. South (1-2, 0-1): Nick Ford 37-yard TD run, 55-yard TD pass to Amari Dukes.

SOUTH SUBURBAN RED

Argo 17, Reavis 9

Evergreen Park 49, Oak Lawn 31

Richards 42, Eisenhower 10

SOUTHLAND

Crete-Monee 64, Thornton 0

Kankakee 56, Thornridge 0

Rich Township 43, Thornwood 35

SOUTHWEST VALLEY BLUE

Lockport 41, Neuqua Valley 14

Lockport (2-1, 1-0): Tyler Pospisil 4 TD runs (5, 5, 6, 10). Adam Kozak 97-yard KO return TD.

SOUTHWEST VALLEY GREEN

Bradley-Bourbonnais 20, Waubonsie Valley 17

Waubonsie (2-1, 0-1): Chrisjan Simmons 5-yard TD run. Joshua Tinney blocked FG return TD.

SOUTHWEST VALLEY RED

Naperville Central 31, Andrew 14

Naperville Central (3-0, 1-0): Aidan Clark 3 TDs. Sebastian Hayes TD pass to DeShaun Williams.

Lincoln-Way West 40, Metea Valley 7

UPSTATE EIGHT WEST

South Elgin 56, Larkin 6

Streamwood 36, East Aurora 13

West Aurora 56, Elgin 0

West Aurora (3-0, 1-0): Mason Atkins 4 TD passes, 8-yard TD run. Reece Powers 2 TD receptions (43, 15). Terrence Smith 2 TD receptions.

NONCONFERENCE

Benet 42, De La Salle 0

Carmel 27, Providence 24

Deerfield 28, Buffalo Grove 7

DePaul Prep 20, Marian Catholic 7

Marian (1-2): Joey Baranski 73-yard TD pass to Jeremiah Stonewall.

Dwight-Gardner-South Wilmington co-op 46, Aurora Central Catholic 0

Fremd 65, Highland Park 7
Glenbard East 47, Bartlett 14
Joliet Catholic 14, Fenwick 13
Kaneland 42, DeKalb 7
Kaneland (3-0): Dylan Sanagustin 3 TD receptions.
Lincoln-Way East 49, Stagg 3
Marist 21, Montini 6
Mount Carmel 56, Nazareth 33
Mount Carmel (2-1): Jack Elliott 6 TD passes, 12-yard TD run. Cooper Lehman 2 TD receptions (85, 49). Quentin Burrell 2 TD receptions (27, 28). Danyil Taylor Jr. 2-yard TD run, 19-yard TD reception.
Naperville North 21, Lincoln-Way Central 20 (OT)
Naperville North (2-1): Jacob Bell TD pass to Quinn Morris in OT. Tyler Duewel GW PAT. Bell TD pass to Quinn in regulation, TD run.
Lincoln-Way Central (1-2): Tyler Tulk TD in regulation and OT.
Oswego 49, Plainfield Central 6
St. Laurence 24, Niles Notre Dame 0
St. Laurence (3-0): Chase Kwiatkowski TD pass to Kyle Richardson. Harley Rizzs TD run. Corey Les TD run.
St. Patrick 17, Leo 6
Leo (0-3): Derrick Davis 4-yard TD run.
St. Rita 14, Brother Rice 7
St. Viator 34, Marmion 7
Sandburg 63, Homewood-Flossmoor 34
Shepard 40, Bremen 10
Wheeling 27, Vernon Hills 7
Yorkville 31, Joliet West 8
Yorkville (1-2): Jack Beetham 2 TD passes to Dyllan Malone. Luke Zook 10-yard blocked punt return TD.

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

HIGH SCHOOLS

BOYS SOCCER

Antioch 2, Woodstock North 0
Argo 7, Oak Forest 1
Bartlett 2, Wheaton North 0
Beecher 7, Momence 0
Beecher (8-2, 4-0 River Valley): Wences Baumgartner 100th career goal.
Benet 2, Waubonsie Valley 1
Benet (4-2, 1-0 DuPage Valley): Sergio Polanco goal. Will Khazen goal.

Brother Rice 8, IC Catholic 0
Chicago Christian 4, Peotone 1
Chicago Christian (5-3-2): Aaron Verver goal, 2 assists.
De La Salle 3, DePaul Prep 2
De La Salle (8-1): Agustin Ortega goal. Bryan Tamayo goal.
Dundee-Crown 1, Burlington Central 0
Dundee-Crown (2-4, 1-1 Fox Valley): Hugo Arista goal. Imanol Soriano 10 saves.
East Aurora 2, Riverside-Brookfield 0
Eisenhower 2, T.F. United 2
T.F. United (3-2-2, 0-0-2 SSC Blue): Omar Reyes goal. Angel Delgado goal.
Elgin 4, Larkin 0
Glenbrook North 5, Highland Park 1
Glenbrook South 6, Vernon Hills 1
Vernon Hills (1-5-1): Sid Avula goal.
Grayslake Central 2, Crystal Lake South 1
Jacobs 2, South Elgin 0
Jacobs (3-4-1): Noah Anderson goal, assist. Anthony Rodriguez goal.
Lake Zurich 2, Waukegan 0
Lemont 4, Shepard 1
Lincoln-Way East 4, Bloom 2
Lincoln-Way East (7-0): Kamden Williams goal, assist. Owen Bohren goal.
Lincoln-Way Central 5, Plainfield South 0
Lincoln-Way Central (4-1): Connor Pate goal, assist.
Lincoln-Way West 2, Joliet West 1
Lincoln-Way West (4-2): Sam Irigoyen goal. Reece Eggener goal.
Lockport 2, Geneva 1
Geneva (3-2-1): Alexis Ramirez goal.
Naperville Central 6, Minooka 1
Oswego 9, Batavia 0
Oswego (1-4-2): Israel Cortez 2 goals.
Prairie Ridge 4, Lakes 0
Providence 0, Loyola 0
St. Charles East 3, Downers Grove North 0
St. Charles East (1-5-1): Connor Sychowski goal. Huxley Kapoor goal. Sam Arville goal.
St. Laurence 4, Aurora Central Catholic 0
St. Laurence (4-2-1): Frankie Martinez goal. Chuy Salazar goal.
Sandwich 7, Parkview Christian 0
Sandwich (1-4-1): Kayden Page 5 goals.
Thornton co-op 3, Crete-Monee 1
Crete (3-3, 1-1 Southland): Omar Romo goal.
West Aurora 2, Oswego East 1

West Aurora (6-1): Pas Ndayishimiye 2 goals.
Yorkville o, Plainfield North o

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Antioch d. Wauconda 25-19, 17-25, 25-13
Aurora Central Catholic d. St. Edward 25-13, 25-14
Beecher d. Donovan 25-15, 25-15
Burlington Central d. Jacobs 25-12, 25-8
Burlington Central (6-1, 5-1 Fox Valley): Leah Freesemann 7 kills, 5 aces. Haidyn Schatz 5 kills. Sarah Jack 10 assists.
Jacobs (4-7, 1-5): Maddie Mitchell 4 kills, 3 blocks.
Evergreen Park d. T.F. North 25-19, 25-10
Evergreen (3-1, 2-1 SSC Red): Fiona Buchanan 7 kills. Neve Hayes 5 kills, 16 assists. Tess Lee 6 aces.
Glenbrook North d. Lake Zurich 23-25, 25-15, 25-17
Lake Zurich (8-6): Sage Olson 12 kills, 8 digs. Ella Elsen 16 assists, 6 digs.
Grayslake Central d. Round Lake 25-10, 25-20
Hinckley-Big Rock d. Somonauk 23-25, 25-13, 25-16
Somonauk (2-4, 1-1 Little Ten): Bella Rolf 6 kills.
Lemont d. Hillcrest 25-5, 25-8
Lemont (10-3, 3-0 SSC Blue): Rylie Erickson 6 kills. Ema Galdukevicius 5 kills.
Lockport d. Hinsdale Central 25-20, 26-24
Lockport (8-2): Kyla Mitchell 10 kills. Jenna Kolosta 8 kills. Natalie Bochantin 12 assists.
Metea Valley d. East Aurora 25-14, 25-11
Metea (12-3): Addison Torain 7 kills. Katie Schuele 15 assists, 6 aces.
Minooka d. Oswego East 25-20, 25-23
Mother McAuley d. Sacred Heart (Ky.) 25-19, 22-25, 25-23, 25-14
McAuley (9-0): Sydney Buchanan 18 kills, 29 digs, 11 blocks. Abbey Williams 14 kills, 25 digs, 5 blocks. Cayla Prohaska 8 kills, 6 blocks. Mary Claire Deacy 6 kills, 7 blocks. Peyton Heatherly 39 assists. Lucy Maloney 36 digs.
Naperville Central d. Batavia 21-25, 25-23, 25-22
Naperville North d. Batavia 21-25, 25-23, 25-22
Newark d. Indian Creek 25-16, 25-16
Newark (6-3, 2-0 Little Ten): Adrianna Larsen 7 kills, 8 digs. Addison Long 5 kills. Taylor Jeffers 15 assists.
Oak Lawn d. T.F. South 25-14, 25-17
Oak Lawn (11-0, 3-0 SSC Red): Maryam Hussein 9 kills. Amina Maali 6 kills, 5 digs. Kasey Thompson 22 assists, 6 digs. Emma McAuliffe 11 digs.
St. Laurence d. Homewood-Flossmoor 25-15, 25-16
H-F (7-3): Camille Brooms 9 digs.
South Elgin d. Glenbard North 25-27, 25-22, 26-24

South Elgin (4-5): Bri Decheva 7 kills, 7 digs. Cassie Verley 5 kills, 5 aces, 3 blocks. Grace Bach 5 kills, 5 blocks. Paige Genke 17 assists. Rylie Almoradie 13 digs.

Yorkville d. Bolingbrook 25-22, 24-26, 25-19

Yorkville (5-6, 2-1 Southwest Prairie West): Camryn Carter 12 kills. Maggie Konicek 7 kills, 6 digs. Addisyn Gardner 20 assists. Tessa Liaromatis 15 digs, 4 aces.

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Elgin doesn't want Aaron Saldana to pass up scoring a goal. But sometimes, natural instincts kick in. 'A good start.'

By: Paul Johnson

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Elgin's Aaron Saldana (8) controls the ball in front of Larkin's Juan Cruz (14) during an Upstate Eight Conference game in Elgin on Thursday, Sept. 12, 2024.

Last season, Elgin's Aaron Saldana played in the offensive shadow of Eduardo Nava.

Even so, Saldana tallied 19 assists, helping Nava become one of the area's most prolific scorers with 36 goals. It stood to reason Saldana, a senior midfielder, would take over that role this year.

But he didn't see it going that way.

"I didn't think I was going to score a single goal this year," Saldana said. "I got off to a good start against Naperville Central. I got more confidence to go forward and try to score some more goals."

Saldana didn't add to his goal total Thursday night, but he got back to his facilitator role with a pair of assists for host Elgin during a 4-0 Upstate Eight Conference win over crosstown rival

Larkin.

Junior midfielder Danny Perez scored twice for Elgin (2-1-2, 1-0). Beto Gaytan, another key returnee, and Ian Diaz added goals. Ulises Flores made 13 saves in net for Larkin (2-2-3).

Saldana's goal helped the Maroons tie powerful Naperville Central in the season opener, giving coach Jimmy Romano an idea. Romano figured it was time to move Saldana up to take advantage of his playmaking ability, and it worked. Saldana scored three goals in Elgin's first four games.

Romano is pleased how a week of practice helped ease Saldana's transition up the field.

"We moved him up more to give him more scoring opportunities," Romano said. "He did that. He scored three goals so far this year and could probably have a couple more.

"He's very creative and able to do those things. We shifted him up this year to create those possibilities. He's doing very well."



Elgin's Aaron Saldana (8) heads the ball against crosstown rival Larkin during an Upstate Eight Conference game in Elgin on Thursday, Sept. 12, 2024.

It's a role Saldana admitted takes some getting used to, but he's looking like a natural so far.

"My role has changed because obviously we lost a lot of good players attacking-wise last year," Saldana said. "We still have the players to do it. My role is to try to create more chances.

"I feel like the chemistry is building every single game and we're scoring more goals."

The Maroons wasted little time Thursday jumping on Larkin.

Gaytan crossed a ball to Perez, who scored a minute into the game. With 20 minutes left in the first half, one of Saldana's five shots on goal was deflected to Perez to make it 2-0.

“He’s a very talented, skillful player that is also versatile,” Romano said of Perez. “He can play the holding mid, the attacking mid, striker, winger, but he’s very creative and can finish.

“We want to put him in that role this year. He’s another player like Aaron where we put him in this role this year different than last year.”



Elgin’s Xavier Salinas (17) heads the ball past Larkin defender Alan Chavez (27) during an Upstate Eight Conference game in Elgin on Thursday, Sept. 12, 2024.

Larkin, which graduated 14 seniors, is finding its way with an inexperienced roster.

With building blocks like Flores and dynamic midfielder Jonathan Garcia, however, coach Michael Huizar is excited about where things are headed for the Royals.

“A turnover led to a goal right away,” Huizar said. “I’m proud of how we responded. I wish we were a little more consistent from the beginning. We’re still figuring out how to get into the final third.

“Once that clicks, I think we’ll show how dangerous we are. We have a lot up top. We just have to find them.”



Elgin’s Aaron Saldana (8) directs his teammates against crosstown rival Larkin during an Upstate Eight Conference game in Elgin on Thursday, Sept. 12, 2024.

Elgin, meanwhile, has the most experience returning in Romano's time guiding the program. That has led to high expectations again after last season's sectional championship.

With Gaytan and Saldana leading the way, Romano is happy with how things are looking.

"This group is phenomenal," Romano said. "They want it. They want to get further than we did the past two years. They're hungry. They're a great group of guys. They're such close friends. They're like brothers."