NEBRASKA HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Bloomfield

COACH: Matt Kuchar
ASSISTANTS: Jason Hefner, Brett Hopkins, Cole Bruns
VITALS: Class D1, District 3
LAST YEAR: The Bees finished the 2024 season at 4-5 and continued their state record of state playoff appearances.
RETURNING: Brock Jeannoutot (Sr., 5-10, 190, RB/LB, All-State HM, All-District); Owen Kuchar (Sr., 6-2, 285, OL/DL, All-District HM); Jarrett Sauser (Sr., 5-11, 160, TE/LB, All-District); Cody Smith (Sr., 5-10, 200, C/DE); Beau Eisenhauer (Sr., 5-10, 175, QB/DB); Gannon Edholm (So., 6-0, 205, FB/DE)
NEWCOMERS: Sheldon Foner (Sr., 5-10, 200, OL/DL); Keldon Loecker (Sr., 6-2, 175, TE/S); Keaton Gilsdorf (Sr., 5-8, 160, RB/DB); Hayden Loseke (Sr., 5-10, 170, WR/DB); Max Bruce (Jr., 5-9, 190, FB/LB); Michael Dodge (Jr., 6-1, 240, OL/DL); Max Smith (So., 5-8, 155, RB/DB)

Cedar Catholic

COACH: Chad Cattau
ASSISTANT: James Kaiser
VITALS: Class C, District 3
LAST YEAR: The Trojans went 8-3 in the 2024 season.
RETURNING: Breiton Whitmire (Sr., 5-8, 180, RB/DB, All-District, 1,000 yard rusher); Bodie Hochstein (Jr., 5-9, 160, WR/S, 59 TKLs); Hunter Bensen (Jr., 5-10, QB/RB/LB); Will Steffen (Jr., 6-3, 260, T/DT, 32 TKLs); Brady Hochstein (Sr., 5-8, 180, FB/LB, 83 TKLs, 400 rush yards); Easton Hochstein (Jr., 5-9, 165, FB/LB, 64 TKLs); Sam Wiebelhaus (Sr., 5-9, 230, OL/DL, 16 TKLs); Jared Rutar (Sr., 6-2, 230, OL/LB, 45 TKLs)
NEWCOMERS: Booker Hochstein (Sr., 5-8, 160, WR/DB); Micah Cattau (So., 5-10, 180, RB/LB); Maverick Heine (Jr., 5-7, 150, WR/DB); Grady Heberer (So., 6-2, 200, QB); Mason Baller (Sr., 5-10, 165, WR/DB); Quinn Hochstein (Sr., 5-10, 170, WR/LB); Graham Potts (Sr., 6-5, 200, TE/LB); Jake Hoebelheinrich (So., 6-0, 210, OL/DL); Langston Christensen (Sr., 6-0, 165, WR/LB); Teyton Dendinger (So., 6-5, 220, OL/OLB); Haiden Thoene (Jr., 6-2, 180, OL/OLB); Mason Thoene (Jr., 5-8, 220, OL/DL)

Creighton

COACH: Holden Wetzler
ASSISTANT: Kyle Kibbie
VITALS: Class D2, District 7
LAST YEAR: The Bulldogs went 7-3 in 2024 and captured their first playoff win in five years.
ROSTER: Jorgan Condon (Sr., 6-1, 171, RB/LB, 1,393 All-Purpose yards, 20 TDs, 98 TKLs); Ethan Kuhl (Sr., 6-3, 173, WR/DB, 467 Rec Yards, 10 TDs); Calvin Wilmes (Sr., 6-1, 176, RB/LB, 44 TKLs, 7 TFL, 2 INT, 2 FF); Karter Gragert (Sr., 5-10, 154, WR/DB, 40 TKLs, 3 TFL); Owen Doerr (Sr., 5-9, 231, OL/DL, 42 TKLs, 2 Sacks, 10 TFL); Robinson Ladeaux (Jr., 5-10, 153, WR/DB, 577 AP yards, 9 TDs, 44 TKLs, 4 INT); Isaac Fanta (Jr., 6-0, 215, OL/DL, 49 TKLs, 5 sacks, 12 TFL); Braxton Eggerling (Jr., 6-0, 237, TE/DB, 55 TKLs, 7 Sacks, 24 TFLs, 3 FR); Ethan Kuhlman (Jr., 5-8, 159, FB/LB, 73 TKLs, 8 TFL, 1 INT, 2 FR); Coen Horstmann (So., 5-8, 128, WR/DB, 11 TKLs, 2 TFL, 1 INT, 2 FR); Dylon Nilson (Fr., 5-10, 144, QB/DB); Haiden Horstmann (Fr., 5-10, 168, TE/DE)

Crofton

COACH: Johnnie Ostermeyer
ASSISTANTS: John Connot, Tyler Slate, Kyle Napier, Scott Morrison
VITALS: Class D1, District D1-3
LAST YEAR: The Warriors went 8-2 in 2024 with a loss in the playoff quarterfinals.
RETURNING: Jackson Lynde (Sr., WR/DB); Josh Palensky (Sr., WR/DB); Jace Panning (Sr., RB/WR/DB); Tyson Sanger (Sr., OL/DL); Carter Steffen (Sr., TE/LB); Anthony Steffen (Sr., OL/DL); Trevor Allen (Jr., TE/DE); Porter Bartels (Jr., OL/DE); Riley Crosley (Jr., OL/DL); Luke DeRoos (Jr., OL/DL); Bo Drotzmann (Jr., TE/DE); Jaxson Folkers (Jr., OL/DL); Brady Gulbranson (Jr., RB/DB); Tyson Jackson (Jr., RB/QB/LB); Grant Jordan (Jr., RB/LB); Cole Miller (Jr., QB/DB); Ty Nielsen (Jr., OL/DL); Blake Skillings (Jr., WR/DB); Trace Tramp (Jr., OL/LB); Trey Tramp (Jr., OL/LB); Kolton Vornhagen (Jr., WR/DB); Layne Schieffer (Jr., OL/DL); Cash Culliton (So., RB/LB); Preston Foxhoven (So., QB/DB); Ian Foxhoven (So., TE/DB); Myles Goeken (So., RB/LB); Ryker Guenther (So., OL/DL); Knox Hegge (So., RB/LB); Arik Lea (So., OL/DL); Reece Schmidt (So., RB/LB)
NEWCOMERS: Blake Connot (Fr., WR/QB/DB); Gavin DeShazer (Fr., RB/LB); Wyatt Gobel (Fr., WR/DB); Breckin Jansen (Fr., RB/LB); Brayton Mueller (Fr., WR/DB); Jaren Panning (Fr., WR/DB); Easton Schendt (Fr., RB/LB)

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Jackson Lynde (15) returns for his senior season for Crofton. The Warriors went 9-2 last season, falling in the Class D1 quarterfinals.

Hartington-Newcastle

COACH: Rusty Fuller
ASSISTANTS: Mike Johnson, Corey Uldrich, Ryan Macholan, Dylan Behnk, Adrian Alonzo
VITALS: Class D1, District D1-3
LAST YEAR: The Wildcats went 7-2 in 2024 with a first-round playoff loss to EMF.
RETURNING: Ashton Wakeley (Sr., 6-4, FB/NG, All-District); Mason Krause (Sr., 6-7, TE/FS); Brayden Lammers (SR., 6-5, TE/DB, All-District); Lincoln Grutsch (Jr., 6-2, C/DT, All-District HM); Colton Cavenaugh (Jr., 6-2, G, All-District HM); Jason Heimes (Jr., 5-8, RB/DB); Ty Opfer (Jr., 6-0, LB); Austin Sudbeck (Jr., 6-2, QB); Keatyn Arens (Sr., 5-9, WR); Kytpin Collier (So., 5-9, G/DE); Carter Kelly (Sr., 6-5, TE/LB, All-District HM); Chris Kneifl (Jr., 6-0, G/DT); Aidian Collier (Jr., 6-0, LB)
NEWCOMER: Colter Feilmeier (Fr., 5-8, RB)

Laurel-Concord-Coleridge

COACH: Izac Reifenrath
ASSISTANTS: Nate Sims, Pat Harrington, Dustin Thompson, Carter Seim
VITALS: District D1-4
LAST YEAR: The Bears finished the 2024 season with a record of 1-7.
RETURNING: Kolten Settje (Sr., 5-9, FB/LB); Tanner Thompson (Jr., 6-0, WR/LB); Cade Johnson (Jr., 5-10, OL/DL); Drey Puppe (So., 6-1, QB/S); Ian Sohler (Jr., 5-10, RB/LB); Dayton Korth (So., 5-10, RB/LB); Kyle Rasmussen (Jr., 6-0, TE/DE); Tyler Boysen (Sr., 5-8, WR/DB)); Dillon Munter (Sr., 6-2, OL/DL); Talon Carson (Jr., 6-0, QB/DB); Paxton Hoeppner (So., 5-9, WR/DB); Parker Hoeppner (So., 5-8, WR/S); Jake Lipp (So., 5-10, OL/DL); Paul Allison (Jr., 5-9, OL/DL); Luke Erwin (So., 5-10, OL/DL)
NEWCOMERS: Jaylen Carpenter (Sr., 6-1, OL/DL); Alex Allison (Fr., 5-9, OL/LB); Nolan Nordby (Fr., 5-11, WR/S); James Recob (Fr., 6-1, OL/DL); Turner Thompsons (Fr., 6-0, OL/DL); Bryson Urwiler (Fr., 5-7, RB/LB)

Niobrara-Verdigre

COACH: Jeff Shabram
ASSISTANTS: Gunnar Davidson, Heydon Strope, James Parks, Todd Runnels
VITALS: Class D1, District D1-3
LAST YEAR: Niobrara-Verdigre ended the season with a 3-6 record and made the playoffs.
ROSTER: Cash Wickersham (Sr., 6-1, 185, RB/LB, All-District, 669 Pass Yards, 184 yards, 87 TKLs); Coy Wickersham (Sr., 6-1, 190, RB/LB, All-District, 74 TKLs, 9 TFL, 268 rec yards, 169 rush yards); Isaac Hoferer (Sr., 6-0, 160, WR/DB, 208 Rec yards, 4 TDs); Julius Brandt (Sr., 5-10, 150, WR/DB); Danny Pease (Sr., 6-1, 140, TE/LB); Arlan Lammers (Jr., 6-2, 185, RB/LB, 230 rush yards); Jacob Motacek (Jr., 5-8, 190, OL/DE, All-District, 52, TKLs, 7.5 TFL, 4.5 Sacks); Kash Nielsen (Jr., 6-2, 175, QB/LB, 144 pass yards, 11 TKLs); Reid Teadtke (Jr., 5-10, 180, OL/DE); Praeson Klug (Jr., 6-3, 290, OL/DL); Edward Drobny (Jr., 6-2, 170, OL/DE); Alex Motacek (Jr., 5-9, 140, TE/LB); Landyn Frank (Jr., 5-10, 150, TE/LB); Parker Frank (Fr., 5-9, 140, QB/DB); Austin Sharp (Fr., 5-8, 170, OL/DL); Skye Denny (Fr., 5-9, 140, RB/DB)

Ponca

COACH: Casey McGhee
ASSISTANTS: Brian Nelson, Charlie Schroeder, Jared Peterson
VITALS: Class C-2, District C2-3
LAST YEAR: In 2024 the Indians went 1-8 with eight seniors who left following graduation.
RETURNING: Mickenon Peterson (Sr., 6-0, 165, WR/LB); Lane Rohan (Sr., 5-10, 160, RB/DB); Riley Swick (Sr., 5-10, 150, OL/LB); Charlie Watkins (Sr., 5-8, 230, OL/DL); Michael Ney (Jr., 6-0, 285, OL/DL); Tim Ney (Jr., 6-0, 240, OL/DL); Copper Stewart (Jr., 6-2, 200, TE/DL)Jacob Swick (Jr., 6-0, 205, OL/DL); Aiden Eifert (Jr., 5-9, 185, OL/DL); Carson Duckerson (Jr., 6-0, 230, OL/DL); Dillon Fackler (Jr., 5-11, 215, OL/DL); Brayden Waterbury (So., 5-9, 250, OL/DL); Mason Schweers (So., 5-11, 180, OL/DL); Carter Lowe (So., 6-2, 190, OL/DL); Kyan Byrne (So., 6-0, 140, RB/DB); Caden Cleveland (So., 5-9, 145, QB/S); Ben Coughlin (So., 5-9, 140, WR/DB); Brooks Kephart (So., 6-2, 165, TE/DL); Arthur Lamprecht (So., 6-2, 175, OL/DL); Cole Bostwick (So., 5-8, 210, RB/LB); Bronson Schweers (So., 6-2, 220, OL/DL); Pierce Ehlers (So., 6-2, 170, QB/WR)
NEWCOMERS: Easton Vonseggern (Fr., 5-10, 210); Rhodes Taylor (Fr., 5-11, 135); Braylon Stark (Fr., 5-5, 120); Drew Rohan (Fr., 5-6, 115); Lincoln White (Fr., 5-11, 230); Abrahm Krusemark (Fr., 6-0, 140); Drayden Coan (Fr., 6-0,

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