

# Louisburg girls lose defensive battle to Frontenac



**Junior Megan Foote goes up for a shot during a game earlier this season. The Louisburg girls fell short at home Saturday against Frontenac, 50-45.**

The Louisburg and Frontenac girls basketball teams came into Saturday's game wanting to do the same thing – put pressure on the opponent.

It worked on both ends as the two teams combined to force more than 50 turnovers in what was a chaotic contest at Louisburg High School. In the end, Frontenac made just a few more plays.

Despite a late run in the fourth quarter, Louisburg came up short in a 50-45 loss to the Raiders and it is just the second setback for the Lady Cats this season.

Louisburg (5-2) jumped out in front to start the game as it took a 16-11 lead to begin the second quarter. Unfortunately, the Lady Cats had problems scoring against the Frontenac defense in the next two frames.

Frontenac held Louisburg to a

combined 12 points in the second and third quarters and took a 42-28 lead. The Lady Cats didn't give up as they scored 17 points in the fourth quarter.

Junior Madilyn Melton scored the first four points, junior Megan Foote made a 3-pointer late and junior Alyse Moore scored nine points down the stretch. Moore drove the lane, scored and was fouled to cut the Frontenac lead to two with just seconds left.

Louisburg, however, could get no closer as Frontenac converted at the free-throw line in the final seconds to secure the win.

Moore led the Lady Cats as she recorded a double-double with 16 points and 12 rebounds to go along with a team-high three steals. Melton also finished with a double-double as she had 13 points, 10 rebounds and three steals.

Junior Brooklyn Diederich was in double figures with 10 points and a team-high eight deflections. Senior Haley Cain added eight rebounds in the loss.

Louisburg will try and get back on track tonight when it travels to Spring Hill for Frontier League matchup. Tipoff is set for approximately 7:30 p.m.

<b>LOU</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>- 45</b>				
<b>FRON</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>8 - 50</b>

LOUISBURG (5-2): Alyse Moore 6-14 4-7 16; Madilyn Melton 5-7 3-4 13; Brooklyn Diederich 4-16 0-0

10; Megan Foote

1-6 1-4 4; Delaney Wright 1-6 0-0 2. Totals: 17-58 8-17 45. 3-point field

goals: 3, (Diederich 2, Foote)

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## Lady Cats catch fire in win over Bonner Springs



**Junior Madilyn Melton drives past a Bonner Springs defender Tuesday during the Lady Cats' 52-34 win over the Braves.**

From the opening tip, it was obvious that the night was going to belong to the Louisburg girls basketball team.

On Tuesday against Bonner Springs, the Lady Cats scored 14 of the first 16 points and used that start to roll the Braves, 52-34, at Louisburg High School.

In what was one of their best shooting nights of the young season, mixed in with good defense, the No. 10-ranked Lady Cats were able to move their record to 5-1 on the season.

"Bonner is young, athletic and their coach does a really good job with his girls, but I am

also proud of the way we responded against that," Louisburg coach Shawn Lowry said. "There were times where it was really physical and I thought that we responded well to that and I thought our confidence was good too. At some point, this group is going to have to start believing what they can be this year."

The Lady Cats certainly believed Tuesday as they shot 44 percent from floor and knocked down a season-high eight 3-pointers, despite only going 4-for-14 from the free-throw line. Louisburg came out strong as it opened the game on a 14-2 run.

Bonner Springs made a run back to cut it to a two-point advantage to start the second quarter, but the Lady Cats ended the first half on an 8-2 spurt to take a 25-17 halftime lead. The Braves would get no closer.

Madilyn Melton led the Lady Cats in scoring as the Louisburg junior finished with a team-high 12 points and seven rebounds, to go along with six deflections and three steals. Juniors Alyse Moore and Megan Foote added nine points in the win.



**Brooklyn Diederich goes in for a layup Tuesday against Bonner Springs at Louisburg High School.**

Senior Haley Cain came off the bench to also score nine points, all of which came from behind the 3-point line. Cain also had a team-high four assists.

"I think it is credit to the girls putting in the work," Lowry said of his team's offensive success. "They are staying after practice and coming in on the weekends on their own and shooting. This is a group that can be a good shooting team.

"I really thought Haley came off the bench and gave us a nice spark and it was great leadership from her. I am really proud of what she did."

Louisburg also shined defensively

at times as it shut down Bonner Springs' inside game and forced 26 turnovers thanks to the Lady Cats' aggressive zone defense. Those turnovers turned into 25 points for the Lady Cats as they made it difficult for the Braves.

"We didn't slow them down much inside at the beginning, but we made some adjustments and that really helped," Lowry said. "I have to give credit to the girls because they responded to the adjustments what we needed to make. They were communicating with each other and talking on defense. That really was the difference. I made some adjustments, but it was them talking that was the biggest part of that."

The schedule will get a lot tougher for the Lady Cats beginning tomorrow. It will be a battle of ranked teams as No. 10 Louisburg hosts No. 4 Baldwin (7-1) at 6 p.m. Friday in a Frontier League matchup.

Louisburg will then turnaround Saturday to host Frontenac in a makeup contest. Tipoff for that game is set for 4:30 p.m.

"We want to be 6-1 after Friday and we have to play a good Baldwin team on our home floor," Lowry said. "We are excited to play that game and that is the mentality that this group has right now."

"Baldwin is a fantastic team from

coaching to players, and top to bottom they have such a great program. It is going to be extremely hard and we are going to have to prepare with that in mind. We can't even think about Saturday's game against Frontenac and we have to be all in with Baldwin on Friday."

<b>LOU</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>8 –</b>
<b>52</b>				

<b>BON</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>5 –</b>
<b>34</b>				

LOUISBURG (5-1): Madilyn Melton 5-8 2-6 12; Haley Cain 3-7 0-0 9; Alyse Moore 3-7 1-2 9; Megan Foote 4-7 0-2 9; Delaney Wright 2-4 0-2 5; Brooklyn Diederich 2-10 0-0 5; Sydni Keagle 1-1 0-0 2; Jordan Mynsted 0-0 1-2 1. Totals: 20-46 4-14 52. 3-point field goals: 8, (Cain 3, Moore 2, Wright, Diederich, Foote)

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## Lady Cats roll Turner in first game of new year



Freshman guard Adyson Ross drives to the basket during the

## **Lady Cats' road game Tuesday against Turner.**

KANSAS CITY, Kan. — In its first game of the new year, the Louisburg girls basketball team couldn't have asked for a better start to 2020.

The Lady Cats used a stingy defense and a deep bench to help them to a 72-18 victory over Turner on Tuesday at Turner High School. The win moves Louisburg's record to 4-1 on the year as it currently holds the No. 10 ranking in Class 4A.

"We worked hard over break and everyone is in the same boat," Louisburg coach Shawn Lowry said. "You have to get back to where you were before break and it is crazy. You have to get that mentality back and we focused on toughness drills, worked on a lot of defensive stuff and I thought we took care of business. Offensively we have some stuff to clean up, but overall it was a good night."

Defensively, the Lady Cats shined as they used their 1-3-1 pressure defense to force several Turner turnovers, which led to easy baskets in transition. Louisburg racked up 47 points in the first half and held the Golden Bears to just nine.

Junior Brooklyn Diederich had a big scoring night for the Lady Cats with a game-high 15 points, including three 3-pointers. Juniors Alyse Moore and Madilyn Melton also finished in double figures with 12 points and sophomores Delaney Wright and



Jordan Mynsted added nine.



**Sophomore Jordan Mynsted goes up for two points Tuesday against Turner.**

Lowry shuffled five players in and out of the game at different times throughout the contest, which allowed several younger players to see varsity minutes. Freshman guards Brianne

Kuhlman, Adyson Ross and Emma Lohse all saw playing time and each found the scoring column.

“It was nice to be able to rotate a lot of kids,” Lowry said. “I thought the freshmen, like Adyson, Brianne and Emma, all did a real nice job tonight. It is these kinds of situations where we can get them some experience that will help them down the road past this season. For it being our first game out of break, and being on the road, I think it was good for us.”

The schedule will get quite a bit tougher for the Lady Cats and it starts tonight when they travel to No. 7 Eudora. The Cardinals have been going through some transition as their head coach, Richard Ebel, was relieved of his duties before the holiday break and they currently have a new coaching staff.

Despite the changes, the Lady Cats know it will be a difficult challenge on the road in Frontier League play.

“Eudora is fantastic and they have one of the best point guards around,” Lowry said. “They are dealing with some stuff right now, but I think they are going to be ready to play. It will be tough for them, but I know they will be ready.”

“We have a tough four-game stretch coming up too. We have Eudora, but then we get three games at home, with Bonner

Springs, Baldwin and Frontenac and Baldwin and Frontenac are back-to-back nights. It is a gauntlet, but that is the time of year we are in and it is time to play. We have 80 percent of our games left to play and 60 percent of our practices are done. It is about improving and getting better and we are going to be a different team between now and the end of the season. We have a lot of growth left to happen.”

<b>LOU</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>10 –</b>
<b>72</b>				
<b>TUR</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>– 18</b>				

LOUISBURG (4-1): Brooklyn

Diederich 15, Alyse Moore 12, Madilyn Melton 12, Delaney Wright 9, Jordan

Mynsted 9, Brianne Kuhlman 6, Adyson Ross 5, Megan Foote 2, Emma Lohse 2.

Totals: 27 12-22 72. 3-point field goals: 6, (Diederich 3, Wright 2, Ross)

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## Piper uses quick start to hand Lady Cats their first loss



**Louisburg junior Alyse Moore goes up for a basket Friday during the Lady Cats' final game of 2019 against Piper at Louisburg High School.**

It would have been easy for the Louisburg girls basketball team to realize Friday was just not its night.

The Lady Cats found themselves down 10 points in the first three minutes of the game against Piper, the No. 2 team in Class 4A and defending state runner-up. Trying to get back in the game against one of the best teams in the state was going to be a tough task.

Louisburg was up for the challenge as the Lady Cats rallied to keep the game close, before Piper used a big fourth quarter to hand Louisburg its first loss of the season, 47-29, at Louisburg High School.

Piper opened the game on a 10-0 run to put the Lady Cats on their heels, but they were able to respond and trailed just 16-10 at the end of the first quarter. From there, Louisburg was able to stay within striking distance, but would get no closer.

"Two things are going to happen in

that situation – you are either going to stand up for yourself or you are just going to quit and lay down,” Louisburg coach Shawn Lowry said. “The character of our team is they are going to fight. We really battled the entire game, but it is just some things that we are doing to ourselves. If we can clean those things up, I like what this team can be.”

The Lady Cats struggled on the offensive end of the floor as they shot 27 percent from the field, but they hurt themselves on the free-throw line as they went 10-for-24.

It was tough to get good looks at the basket most of the night against a tough Piper defense that applied full-court pressure for part of the contest.





**Senior Haley Cain dribbles into the lane Friday during the Lady Cats' contest with Piper.**

"We are not that far away," Lowry said. "The things we have been talking to the girls about time after time is finishing plays at the rim, free-throw shooting and we really hurt ourselves with those two things. Piper is obviously an extremely talented team, with extremely talented players.

"The message to our girls was when we got down big early, was to settle down and to compete and they did that. We have a lot of progress left to do, both individually and as a team, but I sure like our kids and I like what the rest of the season can look like for us."

Junior Megan Foote paced the Lady Cats with a team-high 12 points, while junior Madilyn Melton finished with seven points and five rebounds. Junior Alyse Moore pulled down a team-high 11 rebounds and senior Haley Cain also had five boards.

Piper took an 11-point halftime lead and the Pirates were able to build on it into the fourth quarter as they used a 9-2 run to pull away from the Lady Cats.

Louisburg, which is 3-1 going into the holiday break, saw a lot of positives to begin its season. The Lady Cats also realize they will be competing in several difficult games in the Frontier League when they resume play in early January.

"We wanted to be 4-0, but we like where we are at," Lowry said. "We would have liked to have that other game before break with the Frontenac game being postponed, but we are going to take some days off here, regroup and get back after it. This group has high expectations for themselves and you have to love that.

"This league is fantastic and what a great league to compete in. When we come back from break we will face a very good Eudora team, Baldwin is tough, Paola is strong again this year, Spring Hill is good and I think the league is going to be a race this year. I don't think that anyone is going to run away with it. Piper is out to a good lead, but I think it will be competitive till the end."

The Lady Cats will continue their season on Jan. 7 when they travel to Turner. Louisburg will

then go to Eudora  
on Jan. 10 to start up league play.

<b>LOU</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3 –</b>
<b>29</b>				

<b>PIP</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9 –</b>
<b>47</b>				

LOUISBURG (3-1): Megan Foote 5-7  
0-0 12; Madilyn Melton 1-6 5-12 7; Haley Cain 1-7 1-2 4; Alyse  
Moore 0-3 3-7 3;  
Delaney Wright 1-1 0-0 2; Brianne Kuhlman 0-0 1-2 1. Totals:  
8-30 10-24 29.  
3-point field goals: 3, (Foote 2, Cain 1)

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## Fast start propels Lady Cats to win over Anderson County



Louisburg sophomore Delaney Wright races down the floor during a fast break opportunity Friday during the Lady Cats' home opener against Anderson County.

The Louisburg girls basketball team wanted to make a good impression in its home opener Friday and the Lady Cats got everyone's attention early.



Louisburg scored the first 10 points of the game – all by junior Megan Foote – and the Lady Cats used that run to pull away for a 47-35 victory over Anderson County. It was also the third straight victory for the Lady Cats as they remained perfect on the year.

“We were excited to be able to come out and play on our home floor, have our home opener on a Friday night,” Louisburg coach Shawn Lowry said. “These three games that we have had to start our schedule have been scrappy and tough and it has been good for us. We are progressing, which has been great. I thought we were better defensively this time around than we were on Tuesday. If we can keep making this progression and keep learning and fixing our mistakes, then I like what this thing can be.”

Foote got the Lady Cats off to their blazing start as she drove to the basket three straight times, including one for a three-point play. She then knocked down a 3-pointer to put Louisburg up 10-0 and the Lady Cats were off and running.

The Lady Cats (3-0) went on to score 16 points in the first quarter and the Louisburg defense held Anderson County to 16 total points in the first half.

“We knew by looking on film that we wanted to get downhill early,” Lowry said. “I told Megan before the game that she needed to be the aggressor with the ball and she took it

to heart. It was a great start for us and a great start for her and it was able to get us going.

“I thought our defense was good and our kids are getting tougher. I have challenged them after every game and they are responding. We aren’t there by any means in regards to toughness, but I like where we are going.”

Louisburg forced 34 Anderson County turnovers and the Lady Cats were able to score 22 points off those Bulldog mistakes. The Lady Cats also pulled down 20 offensive rebounds that led to 11 second chance points.

To end the first half, the Lady Cats went on a mini 6-0 run after back-to-back baskets from junior Madilyn Melton. Then sophomore Delaney Wright had a steal and score right before the buzzer to put Louisburg up 31-16 at halftime.



**Louisburg senior Haley Cain drives toward the basket Friday against Anderson County.**

The Lady Cats saw their lead balloon to 17 late in the third quarter and Anderson County would get no closer than 12.

Foote led the Lady Cats in scoring with 12 points, while Melton also finished in double figures with 11 points, seven rebounds and team-high five steals. Senior Haley Cain finished with nine points, six rebounds and four steals.

Junior Alyse Moore had eight points, a team-high 10 rebounds and four steals. Junior Brooklyn Diederich also

had four steals in the win.

Louisburg will try and make it four straight wins Tuesday when it hosts Frontenac. Tipoff is set for 6 p.m.

“It is going to be a challenge on Tuesday with Frontenac,” Lowry said. “They are going to be physical and tough.

Our next goal is to be 4-0 and that is what we are shooting for.”

<b>LOU</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5 –</b>
<b>47</b>				
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<b>10 – 35</b>				

LOUISBURG (3-0): Megan Foote 5-9 1-2 12; Madilyn Melton 5-13 1-2 11; Haley Cain 3-8 1-2 9; Alyse Moore 4-12 0-1 8; Delaney Wright 2-8 0-0 4; Brooklyn Diederich 1-15 1-4 3; Sydni Keagle 0-2 1-2 1. Totals: 20-67 5-13 47. 3-point field goals: 3, (Cain 2, Foote 1)

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## Late run sparks Lady Cats in win over Burlington



**Louisburg junior Megan Foote races the ball up the court during Tuesday's game at Burlington High School. The Lady Cats picked up their second straight win with a 59-46 win over Burlington.**

BURLINGTON – Sometimes it takes just one play to spark a team to go on a game-clinching run, and on Tuesday in Burlington, that spark came from Megan Foote.

The Louisburg junior started what was a big run for the Lady Cats with her aggressive play on both ends of the floor. The rest of the Lady Cats fed off that as they ran away from Burlington in the fourth quarter and left with a 59-46 victory.

Foote took a charge midway through the fourth quarter and then drove to the basket for a score that would break open a close game. Louisburg went on a 12-0 run and the Lady Cats earned their second straight win to start the season.

“Our defense was key during that run, but it really started with Megan’s aggressive attack to the basket,” Louisburg coach Shawn Lowry said. “We really hadn’t been the aggressor all night, but that seemed to flip a switch mentality-wise. The next thing you know Alyse (Moore) gets a steal and scores and it turned for us. Runs like that normally start with one play and I thought Megan’s drive to the basket did that for us and then we just took off.”

Junior Alyse Moore was another catalyst on both ends of the floor for the Lady Cats. Moore finished with a game-high 22 points, several of which came off steals in transition.

Another junior, Madilyn Melton, also finished in double figures with 18 points and Foote added eight points – six of which came in the Lady Cats' 24-point fourth quarter.

"Alyse played great and she always plays so hard," Lowry said. "Alyse will give you every single ounce that she has and she did that again for us. It was a great performance and I thought Megan was really solid as well. She was good with the basketball for us and I thought she did a great job offensively and defensively."





**Junior Madilyn Melton weaves through the Burlington defense for a shot Tuesday.**

It was a back and forth game through the first three quarters as the lead changed hands nine times and neither team could pull away. It was the type of game Lowry was expecting.

Burlington is a traditionally good program in Class 3A and the Louisburg coach wasn't expecting anything different this time around.

"This is always a tough place to play, and not to mention that their longtime coach is back now after six-year hiatus," Lowry said. "The last time we faced off against him was in my first

year and it was one of the best games I had been a part of in an 86-84 overtime win. I knew this was going to be a battle and I knew he was going to have his kids ready to go. The kids really responded well.

"The best part of it is we are 2-0 now, but there is still so much stuff we are doing to ourselves and we are going to get better at it. It is a lot nicer to be 2-0 and having those issues, instead of being 0-2."

Early in the fourth quarter, the Lady Cats found themselves down 40-39 but then came their run. Foote scored four straight points to give Louisburg a three-point lead and then Moore had two steals that led to layups on the other end.

After another bucket from Moore and Melton, Louisburg all of a sudden found itself up 51-40 in about a three minute span. From there, the Lady Cats were able to hold on and secure a big road win.

Louisburg will try for three wins in a row Friday when it hosts Anderson County in its home opener. Tipoff is set for approximately 6 p.m.

"They are going to be good," Lowry said. "They had young players last year that are juniors this year. They are a good group and it was a battle the first time we played them last year. It will be tough. We have a gauntlet coming up where we face a good Anderson County team, Frontenac is going to be tough and then we finish out



with Piper before the break. We are on our home court though so we are going to defend that place with everything we have.”

<b>LOU</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>24 –</b>
<b>59</b>				
<b>BUR</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>10 –</b>
<b>46</b>				

LOUISBURG (2-0): Alyse Moore 22, Madilyn Melton 18, Megan Foote 8, Brooklyn Diederich 6, Delaney Wright 3, Sydney Keagle 2. 3-point field goals: 1, (Diederich)

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## Lady Cats hold off Tonganoxie to win season opener



Louisburg junior Alyse Moore drives to the basket last Friday during the Lady Cats’ season opener in Tonganoxie. The Lady Cats held on for a seven-point win.

TONGANOXIE – The shooting numbers weren’t exactly where he wanted them, and neither were the turnovers, but there was one stat where Louisburg head coach Shawn Lowry was relieved his team had the upper-hand – the scoreboard.

The Lady Cats held off a late Tonganoxie run and used a big second quarter offensively to come away with a 38-31 win over the Chieftains in their season opener Friday at Tonganoxie High School.

"It was a weird game for sure," Lowry said. "We won, but there really wasn't a lot of excitement right after the game. I think once it sinks in a little for them, they might get a little more excited that they won, especially since it was on the road in a tough place to play."

Both teams were trying to get their first-game jitters out of the way in a turnover-filled first quarter, and neither team could get into a rhythm offensively as Tonganoxie led 6-5 going into the second quarter.

It was there where the Lady Cats were able to break the game open as they outscored the Chieftains 16-7 before halftime and took an eight-point lead into the locker room.

Junior Madilyn Melton got the Lady Cats going in the second quarter with seven consecutive points and fellow junior Megan Foote ended the half with five points of her own to help give Louisburg a 21-13 lead at halftime.

Melton carried the load for Louisburg most of the night as she led the team in three different categories. She led the Lady Cats with a team-high 15 points, seven rebounds and five

steals to go along with six deflections.

Junior Brooklyn Diederich also hit a pair of 3-pointers at good times for the Lady Cats as she finished with nine points and sophomore Delaney Wright added six. Junior Alyse Moore was second on the team with four steals and Diederich had three of her own.

“Madilyn was tough and made some great plays,” Lowry said. “She has put herself in a position this year where she can come in and make plays. At the same time, other players will need to step up and be prepared when teams take some things away from her. We have players that can do that. Part of it is confidence and experience, but they will get that. I thought we had some players that were pretty tough. Brooklyn played hard and battled all night, Delaney battled her tail off as did Alyse.”



**Junior Madilyn Melton scored a game-high 15 points for Louisburg to go along with seven rebounds and five steals.**

Defensively, the Lady Cats (1-0) held Tonganoxie to just 20 points through three quarters and forced 27 turnovers for the game. Although Tonganoxie outrebounded Louisburg on the defensive glass, the Lady Cats were able to get 15 offensive boards and turned those into 14 second chance points.

"We played okay on defense," Lowry said. "Film will be good for us. Once you get the first game under your belt, I think it will help. We had some rotation stuff that I know we didn't do and rebounding too. We didn't rebound very well, and to be honest,

I am not sure we deserved to be on the right side of the scoreboard. We have a lot to work on.

“Tonganoxie is a physical team, with a couple really physical players, and we have to elevate our toughness. That is something we are going to work on. We actually have a lot of stuff that we need to work on, especially with rotations and stuff like that. We were able to play a lot of players and depth was a good thing for us. It really helped us out.”

Louisburg will try and make it two wins in a row tonight when the Lady Cats travel to Burlington. Tipoff is set for 6 p.m.

<b>LOU</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8 –</b>
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<b>– 31</b>				

LOUISBURG (1-0): Madilyn Melton 5-13 4-7 15; Brooklyn Diederich 2-12 3-6 9; Delaney Wright 2-7 2-5 6; Megan Foote 2-5 1-2 5; Alyse Moore 1-5 0-2 2. Totals: 12-49 10-22 38. 3-point field goals: 3, (Diederich 2, Melton)

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# Lady Cats bring back experience as they gear up for new season



All-Frontier League player Madilyn Melton will look to lead the Lady Cats this season after she had a team-high 14 points a game a year ago. Louisburg opens its season Friday in Tonganoxie.

Coming off a 10-win season and a win shy of the sub-state championship game, the Louisburg girls basketball team is hoping to take a step forward in 2019-20 and there will be several returning faces to help make that happen.

The Lady Cats return six players, who either started, or played significant minutes from a season ago and it begins with junior Madilyn Melton. The Louisburg forward was an all-league honorable mention selection last season after she led Louisburg in scoring with 14 points a game to go along with six rebounds.

"Madilyn had a strong season last year and has put herself in a position to have a great season this year," Louisburg coach Shawn Lowry said. "As good a player

that Madilyn has the potential to be, she is all about her team and teammates, which was evidenced by being voted one of the team captains."

Melton will be joined in the starting lineup by senior Haley Cain, who has given the Lady Cats several big minutes in the post the last two years. Cain has played four years on the varsity level and her playing time has increased each season.

Junior Alyse Moore is another returning starter for Louisburg and will provide some big minutes on the wing and defensively. Another junior, Brooklyn Diederich, saw her minutes grow as the season went on a year ago as she gave the Lady Cats an outside scoring threat and a defensive presence.

To start the year, the Lady Cats will be looking to a pair of freshmen to earn that fifth spot as both Adyson Ross and Brianne Kuhlman are competing to crack the starting lineup.

Senior Sydni Keagle, along with juniors Megan Foote, Madi Quinn, and sophomores Delaney Wright and Jordan Mynsted will all see playing time off the bench.

"With these first couple weeks of practice, I'm encouraged that our defense can be one of our strengths this season along with the fact that we return several players with game experience from last year," Lowry said. "We also have some really good competition amongst players which provides us depth at most positions and the ability to have different lineups."





**Senior Haley Cain is one of two returning seniors to the Louisville squad. Cain is in her fourth season as a member of the varsity team.**

One familiar face that is missing is Carson Buffington. The Louisville graduate played four years on the varsity level, was considered one the best rebounders in the Frontier League and did a little bit of everything for the Lady Cats.

So, when the first day of practice arrived, it was obviously a little different than what was considered normal.

“Carson’s leadership and toughness was so important for our team these



last four years  
and it was definitely an adjustment for me not having her  
every day in practice,”  
Lowry said. “With that said, we have several players that are  
now sophomores,  
juniors and seniors that are really developing into strong  
leaders and have  
carried on that work ethic and toughness.”

Louisburg  
will get to showcase its new squad Friday when it travels to  
Tonganoxie for its  
season opener and Lowry knows every game in and out of the  
Frontier League is  
going to be a challenge.

“The  
Frontier League will again have some of the very best teams in  
the state.”  
Lowry said. “In addition to a very strong league, we will have  
the opportunity  
to play some very good teams in our non-conference and  
tournament schedule.  
With this said, I trust in our players to compete with great  
effort, toughness  
and pride every time we take the floor.”

Since the first day of practice  
started in mid-November, and even before that with preseason  
conditioning, the  
Lady Cats have been working to make themselves better and  
Lowry believes that  
is a great start to what he hopes is a successful season.

“Our expectations are first a foremost  
to be great representatives of the Lady Cats Basketball  
program, Louisburg High  
School and the Louisburg community,” Lowry said. “We expect to

compete with character, respect and sportsmanship and because of the commitment and hard work the girls have given we expect to compete with great energy, toughness and success.

“The girls are working very hard in preparing for the upcoming season. Our returning players and team captains have been great at fostering an environment that is very competitive and positive with their work and attitudes.”

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## **KSHSAA releases classifications for 2019-20 school year**



The Kansas State High School Activities Association released its classifications for the 2019-20 school year, along with the football classifications for the 2020-21 and 2021-22 seasons.

There were a few changes in both areas, but more so on the football side.

Football classifications are determined based on enrollment figures in ninth, 10th and 11th grade. Louisburg is still in 4A with 432 students and is toward the lower half of the classification.

Entering Class 4A beginning in the 2020 school year will be St. James Academy, Lansing and Great Bend, who have all moved down from Class 5A. Wamego also made the jump back in from Class 3A.

# Kansas State High School Activities Association

## Football Classifications and Enrollments-Descending Order 2020 & 2021

*Enrollment figures are based on ninth, tenth and eleventh grades only.*

*Enrollment figures are as of September 20, 2019.*

6A		5A		4A		3A	
Member Schools - 32		Member Schools - 32		Member Schools - 32		Member Schools - 48	
Range: 1854 - 1092		Range: 1083 - 655		Range: 654 - 340		Range: 324 - 168	
Wichita-East	1854	Liberal	1083	Lansing	654	Baldwin	324
Wichita-North	1691	Hutchinson	1049	Great Bend	651	Topeka-Hayden	314
Wichita-Southeast	1662	Wichita-Heights	1045	Lenexa-St. James Academy	649	Parsons	286
Derby	1638	Shawnee-Mill Valley	982	Bonner Springs	640	Andale	279
Garden City	1560	Leavenworth	977	Arkansas City	620	Pratt	275
Dodge City	1533	Wichita-Northwest	970	Andover Central	608	Clearwater	266
Olathe South	1503	Emporia	949	Basehor-Linwood	587	Iola	256
Olathe East	1477	Kansas City-Turner	902	McPherson	535	Girard	252
Olathe North	1469	Wichita-Bishop Carroll	890	Kansas City-Piper	518	Nickerson	252
Topeka-Washburn Rural	1449	Topeka West	882	Ottawa	507	Clay Center Community	247
Wichita-South	1438	Topeka-Seaman	881	Buhler	497	Holton	242
Lawrence-Free State	1411	Tecumseh-Shawnee Heights	876	SM-Bishop Miege	493	Concordia	241
Manhattan	1402	Maize	871	Augusta	491	Kansas City-Bishop Ward	240
Topeka	1364	Kansas City-Washington	850	Winfield	472	Garnett-Anderson County	234
Olathe Northwest	1356	Maize South	842	Tonganoxie	471	Chapman	224
Kansas City-Wyandotte	1355	OP-Blue Valley Southwest	811	Independence	461	St. George-Rock Creek	224
SM East	1353	Salina-South	800	Chanute	452	Baxter Springs	223
Gardner-Edgerton	1325	Newton	788	Paola	447	Osawatomie	221
Haysville Campus	1297	De Soto	758	Fort Scott	434	Columbus	220
SM West	1277	Salina-Central	758	Louisburg	432	Carbondale-Santa Fe Trail	217
SM Northwest	1266	Topeka-Highland Park	757	Towanda-Circle	429	Wichita-Trinity Academy	217
Olathe West	1256	Andover	733	Coffeyville-Field Kindley	409	Hoyt-Royal Valley	216
OP-Blue Valley Northwest	1233	Goddard-Eisenhower	725	El Dorado	400	Hugoton	216
SM North	1226	Valley Center	699	Eudora	391	LaCygne-Prairie View	214
Lawrence	1221	Kansas City-Sumner Acad.	698	Rose Hill	381	Hiawatha	213
OP-Blue Valley	1182	OP-St. Thomas Aquinas	693	Altamont-Labette County	377	Frontenac	211
OP-Blue Valley West	1182	Wichita-Kapaun Mt. Carmel	693	Mulvane	375	Meriden-Jefferson West	211
Junction City	1136	Pittsburg	691	Atchison	355	Holcomb	210
Wichita-West	1129	Hays	687	Abilene	352	Burlington	203
Kansas City-JC Harmon	1110	Kansas City-FL Schlagle	687	Wamego	351	Hesston	202
SM South	1106	Spring Hill	668	Wellington	345	Colby	201
OP-Blue Valley North	1092	Goddard	655	Ulysses	340	Wichita Collegiate	201
						Lindsborg-Smoky Valley	200
						Galena	199
						Scott Community	198
						Caney Valley	192
						Perry-Lecompton	192
						Larned	188
						Cherryvale	186
						Marysville	183
						Cheney	182
						Goodland	182
						Riley County	182
						Russell	181
						Council Grove	180
						Sabetha	173
						Gypsum-Southeast of Saline	171
						Halstead	168

\* *Note: Per classification Rule 5-2-2, enrollment ties are broken by using the previous classification cycle count.*

**2A****Schools - 48****Range: 168 - 112**

Cimarron	168
Lyons	168
Wellsville	167
Haven	166
Hoisington	162
Osage City	161
Seneca-Nemaha Central	161
Fredonia	159
Silver Lake	158
Easton-Pleasant Ridge	156
Riverton	155
Neodesha	153
Norton Community	153
Beloit	150
Anthony/Harper-Chaparral	148
Kingman	148
Eureka	147
Pomona-West Franklin	144
Douglass	142
Kismet-Southwestern Hts.	141
Lakin	141
St. Marys	141
Hays-TMP-Marian	140
Oskaloosa	140
Minneapolis	139
Ellsworth	137
Atchison-Maur Hill-Mt Acad.	135
Rossville	135
Effingham- Atchinson Co Comm.	130
Erie	130
Hillsboro	129
Humboldt	129
Mound City-Jayhawk Linn	128
Phillipsburg	128
Wathena-Riverside	127
Belle Plaine	124
Syracuse	121
Garden Plain	120
Ellis	119
Cherokee-Southeast	118
Belleville-Republic County	117
McLouth	117
Eskridge-Mission Valley	116
Hutchinson-Trinity Catholic	116
Leon-Bluestem	112
Marion	112
Pittsburg-St. Mary's Colgan	112
Sterling	112

**1A****Schools - 28****Range: 111 - 62**

Whitewater-Remington	111
Conway Springs	110
Horton	110
Sedgwick	108
Arma-Northeast	106
Brookville-Eli-Saline	106
Richmond-Central Heights	106
Wabaunsee	105
Wichita-The Independent	102
Lyndon	99
Sublette	99
Ellinwood	98
Oakley	98
Salina-Sacred Heart	98
Uniontown	98
Johnson-Stanton County	96
Winchester- Jefferson Co. North	94
Inman	93
Elkhart	90
Plainville	89
Pleasanton	86
Allen-Northern Heights	85
Blue Rapids-Valley Heights	82
Smith Center	82
Holton-Jackson Heights	78
Troy	70
Olpe	69
Centralia	62

**8-Player Division I****Schools - 48****Range: 98 - 66**

Herington	98
Bennington	97
Hoxie	97
Yates Center	96
Medicine Lodge	95
Hill City	94
Howard-West Elk	93
Pratt-Skyline	93
Leoti-Wichita County	90
Spearville	90
WaKeeney-Trego Community	89
Moundridge	88
Sedan	88
Cottonwood Falls-Chase Co.	84
Stockton	84
Attica/Argonia	82
Valley Falls	82
Burlingame	80
Canton-Galva	79
Goessel	79
Meade	79
Ness City	79
Washington County	79
Little River	78
Shawnee-Marana	77
Christian Academy	77
Cedar Vale/Dexter	76
Burden-Central	75
Langdon-Fairfield	75
Madison/Hamilton	75
Solomon	75
Udall	74
Atwood-Rawlins County	72
Highland-Doniphan West	72
La Crosse	72
Oswego	72
Kinsley	71
Clyde-Clifton Clyde	70
Oberlin-Decatur Community	70
Rosalie-Flinthills	70
Jetmore-Hodgeman County	69
Lincoln	69
Macksville	69
Oxford	69
Moran-Marmaton Valley	68
Greensburg-Kiowa County	67
St. John-Hudson	67
Montezuma-South Gray	66
Pretty Prairie	66

**8-Player Division II****Schools - 52****Range: 66 - 29**

Sylvan-Lucas Unified	66
Rural Vista ( <i>White City/Hope</i> )	65
Peabody-Burns	64
Bucklin	61
Minneola	61
Victoria	61
Caldwell	60
Satanta	60
Kensington-Thunder Ridge	59
Onaga	59
Downs-Lakeside	58
Mankato-Rock Hills	58
Coldwater-South Central	57
Lebo	57
Quinter	57
Beloit-St. John's/Tipton	54
Osborne	54
South Haven	53
Wakefield	52
Hutchinson-Central Christian	51
Ingalls	51
Sharon Springs-Wallace Co.	51
St. Francis	51
St. Paul	51
Claffin-Central Plains	50
Hartford	50
Norwich	50
Scandia-Pike Valley	50
Colony-Crest	49
Frankfort	49
Melvern-MDCV	49
Buffalo-Altoona Midway	48
Dighton	48
Hanover	47
Leroy-Southern Coffey Co.	47
Chetopa	46
Logan/Palco	46
Lost Springs-Centre	46
Otis-Bison	46
Linn	43
Waverly	42
Southern Cloud	
( <i>Miltonvale/Glasco</i> )	40
Stafford	40
Wetmore	39
Grainfield-	
Wheatland/Grinnell	38
Randolph-Blue Valley	38
Kiowa-South Barber	37
Winona-Triplains/Brewster	36
Chase	33
Axtell	30
Tescott	30
Wilson	29



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Goddard, Pittsburg and Spring Hill all saw their enrollment grow and will be moving up from 4A to 5A next year. Baldwin

saw their enrollment decline and will move down to Class 3A in football the next two years.

In the rest of the sports, not much changed with regards to Class 4A for this year.

Enrollment figures for all grades in Louisburg this year is 573, which puts the school in the upper half of Class 4A. The biggest school is Buhler with 661 and Bishop Miege is the second biggest at 656 and Ottawa is third at 653.

## 2019-2020 Classifications and Enrollments

**Enrollment figures as of September 20, 2019 based on ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades.**

**Note:** Schools are listed in descending order

- ↑ School Moved Up in Class
- ↓ School Moved Down in Class

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### 6A

Member Schools: 36

Range: **2431-1312**

Wichita-East HS  
Wichita-North HS  
Wichita-Southeast HS  
Derby HS  
Dodge City HS  
Olathe South HS  
Garden City HS  
Olathe North HS  
Topeka-Washburn Rural HS  
Olathe East HS  
Olathe Northwest HS  
Lawrence-Free State HS  
Wichita-South HS  
Manhattan HS  
Shawnee Mission East HS  
Gardner-Edgerton HS  
Topeka HS  
Wichita-Haysville Campus HS  
Shawnee Mission West HS  
Kansas City-Wyandotte HS  
Shawnee Mission Northwest HS  
Overland Park-Blue Valley Northwest HS  
Lawrence HS  
Overland Park-Blue Valley HS  
Overland Park-Blue Valley West HS  
Shawnee Mission North HS  
Olathe West HS  
Overland Park-Blue Valley North HS  
Shawnee Mission South HS  
Junction City HS  
Wichita-West HS  
Kansas City-JC Harmon HS  
Hutchinson HS  
Liberal HS  
↑ Wichita-Heights HS  
Shawnee-Mill Valley HS

2431 ↓ Leavenworth HS  
2190 Wichita-Northwest HS  
2164 Emporia HS  
2105 Maize HS  
2010 Wichita-Bishop Carroll HS  
2005 Topeka-Seaman HS  
1985 Topeka West HS  
1976 Tecumseh-Shawnee Heights HS  
1933 Overland Park-Blue Valley Southwest HS  
1927 Kansas City-Washington HS  
1880 Kansas City-Turner HS  
1855 Maize South HS  
1852 Salina-South HS  
1823 Newton HS  
1758 Salina-Central HS  
1729 De Soto HS  
1728 Andover HS  
1712 Topeka-Highland Park HS  
1638 Goddard-Eisenhower HS  
1637 Overland Park-St. Thomas Aquinas HS  
1624 Kansas City-FL Schlegle HS  
1619 Valley Center HS  
1601 Lenexa-St. James Academy  
1600 Great Bend HS  
1582 Wichita-Kapaun Mt. Carmel HS  
1557 Kansas City-Sumner Academy  
1535 Pittsburg HS  
1498 Hays HS  
1469 Lansing HS  
1440 Goddard HS  
1421 Spring Hill HS  
1399 Andover Central HS  
1386 Bonner Springs HS  
1371 Basehor-Linwood HS  
1357 Arkansas City HS  
1312 McPherson HS

### 5A

Member Schools: 36

Range: **1305-710**

1305 Buhler HS  
1260 Shawnee Mission-Bishop Miege HS  
1245 Ottawa HS  
1194 Winfield HS  
1153 Kansas City-Piper HS  
1150 Augusta HS  
1146 Paola HS  
1131 Tonganoxie HS  
1089 Fort Scott HS  
1084 Chanute HS  
1076 Independence HS  
1060 Louisburg HS  
1046 Towanda-Circle HS  
1044 Coffeyville-Field Kindley HS  
1001 El Dorado HS  
992 Mulvane HS  
959 Eudora HS  
959 Altamont-Labette County HS  
952 Rose Hill HS  
925 Atchison HS  
909 Wellington HS  
904 Abilene HS  
902 Wamego HS  
884 Ulysses HS  
880 Baldwin HS  
871 Topeka-Hayden HS  
867 Andale HS  
863 Clearwater HS  
859 Parsons HS  
848 Pratt HS  
825 Iola HS  
810 Nickerson HS  
793 ↑ Holton HS  
791 ↑ Girard HS  
765 Chapman HS  
710 ↑ Clay Center Community HS

### 4A

Member Schools: 36

Range: **661-312**

661  
656  
653  
642  
638  
632  
603  
599  
592  
584  
581  
573  
562  
531  
528  
520  
493  
490  
485  
472  
465  
460  
446  
433  
421  
408  
375  
367  
363  
355  
339  
323  
322  
315  
314  
312





**3A****Member Schools: 64****Range: 305-172**

Garrett-Anderson County HS	305
Concordia HS	303
Wichita-Trinity Academy	303
Kansas City-Bishop Ward HS	300
Columbus HS	296
Osawatomie HS	296
St. George-Rock Creek HS	294
Baxter Springs HS	286
Carbondale-Santa Fe Trail HS	286
Hoyt-Royal Valley HS	283
Hugoton HS	280
Hesston HS	279
Frontenac HS	276
Meriden-Jefferson West HS	275
Hiawatha HS	273
Galena HS	270
LaCygne-Prairie View HS	270
Holcomb HS	266
Marysville HS	266
Wichita Collegiate HS	266
Scott Community HS	265
Caney Valley HS	263
Lindsborg-Smoky Valley HS	263
Colby HS	262
Burlington HS	260
Perry-Lecompton HS	252
Goodland HS	246
Wellsville HS	243
Larned HS	242
Russell HS	239
Cheney HS	238
Sabetha HS	237
Riley County HS	231
Council Grove HS	229
Cherryvale HS	225
Gypsum-Southeast of Saline HS	223
Halstead HS	221
Haven HS	220
Riverton HS	214
Fredonia HS	213
Lyons HS	213
Silver Lake HS	213
Beloit HS	212
Seneca-Nemaha Central HS	210
Cimarron HS	207
Hoisington HS	205
Norton Community HS	204
Osage City HS	204
Easton-Pleasant Ridge HS	203
Kingman HS	202
Nesdesha HS	200
Anthony/Harper-Chaparral HS	199
Pomona-West Franklin HS	192
Kismet-Southwestern Heights HS	190
Eureka HS	188
Lakin HS	185
Atchison-Maur Hill-Mount Academy	184
Minneapolis HS	184
Hays-Thomas More Prep-Marian HS	182
St. Marys HS	182
Douglass HS	178
Effingham-Atchison Co Community HS	174
Humboldt HS	174
Phillipsburg HS	172

**2A****Member Schools: 64****Range: 171-109**

Mound City-Jayhawk Linn HS	171
Oskaloosa HS	171
Belle Plaine HS	170
Rossville HS	169
Elsworth HS	168
Erie HS	166
Wathena-Riverside HS	164
Conway Springs HS	160
Belleville-Republic County HS	158
Garden Plain HS	158
Hutchinson-Trinity Catholic HS	158
Cherokee-Southeast HS	157
Esbridge-Mission Valley HS	156
Arma-Northeast HS	155
Hillsboro HS	155
Olathe-Heritage Christian Academy	155
Ellis HS	154
Syracuse HS	153
McLouth HS	152
Whitewater-Remington HS	152
Horton HS	150
Sterling HS	147
Marion HS	146
Leon-Bluestem HS	144
Wichita-The Independent HS	142
Richmond-Central Heights HS	141
Sedgwick HS	140
Alma-Wabaussee HS	139
Brookville-Elk-Saline HS	139
Pittsburg-St. Mary's Colgan HS	139
Prairie Village-Kansas City Christian HS	136
Medicine Lodge HS	134
Lawrence-Bishop Seebury Academy	132
Salina-Sacred Heart HS	131
Winchester-Jefferson County North HS	130
Bennington HS	128
Johnson-Stanton County HS	128
Lyndon HS	127
Oakley HS	127
Plainville HS	127
Sublette HS	127
Inman HS	126
Yates Center HS	126
Elinwood HS	124
Pratt-Skyline HS	123
WaKeeney-Trego Community HS	122
Uniontown HS	120
Herington HS	119
Smith Center HS	119
Pleasanton HS	118
Elkhart HS	117
Hill City HS	117
Hoxie HS	116
Allen-Northern Heights HS	115
Howard-West Elk HS	115
Sedan HS	114
Cottonwood Falls-Chase County HS	113
Holton-Jackson Heights HS	113
Canton-Galva HS	112
Blue Rapids-Valley Heights HS	110
Moundridge HS	110
Shawnee-Maranatha Christian Academy	110
Leoti-Wichita County HS	109
Spearsville HS	109

**1A****Member Schools: 117****Range: 108-14**

Stockton HS	108
Elbing-Berean Academy	105
Little River HS	105
Meade HS	103
Ness City HS	103
Washington County HS	103
Udall HS	102
Goessel HS	101
Valley Falls HS	101
Oswego HS	98
Burdett-Central HS	97
Troy HS	97
Macksville HS	96
Atwood-Rawlins County HS	95
Rosalie-Flinthills HS	95
La Crosse HS	94
Solomon HS	93
Burlingame HS	92
Lincoln HS	92
Oberlin-Decatur Community HS	91
Oxford HS	91
St. John-Hudson HS	91
Clyde-Clifton Clyde HS	90
Jetmore-Hodgeman County HS	90
Peabody-Burns HS	90
Kinsley HS	89
Langdon-Fairfield HS	89
Highland-Doniphan West HS	87
Olpe HS	87
Centralia HS	86
Montezuma-South Gray HS	86
Moran-Marmaton Valley HS	86
Greensburg-Kiowa County HS	85
Wichita-Classical School Of Wichita	83
Onaga HS	82
Caldwell HS	80
Lebo HS	79
Minneola HS	79
Bucklin HS	78
Pretty Prairie HS	78
Sylvan-Lucas Unified HS	78
Norwich HS	77
Victoria HS	77
Coldwater-South Central HS	76
Mankato-Rock Hills HS	76
Satanta HS	76
Kensington-Thunder Ridge HS	75
Osborne HS	75
Madison HS	74
Dexter HS	72
Hanover HS	71
Burton HS	70
Hutchinson-Central Christian HS	69
St. Francis HS	69
Ingalls HS	68
McPherson-Elyria Christian HS	68
Downs-Lakeside HS	67
Wakefield HS	67
Hartford HS	66
Quinter HS	66
Dighton HS	65
Frankfort HS	65
Melvorn-Marais Des Cygnes Valley HS	65
St. Paul HS	65
Clafin-Central Plains HS	64
Colony-Crest HS	63
Randolph-Blue Valley HS	63
Scandia-Pike Valley HS	63
Lost Springs-Centre HS	62
South Haven HS	62
Rexford-Golden Plains HS	61
Chetopa HS	60
Sharon Springs-Wallace County HS	60
Buffalo-Altoona Midway HS	59
Leroy-Southern Coffey County HS	58
Otis-Bison HS	58
Grainfield-Wheatland/Grinnell HS	57
Stafford HS	57
Ashland HS	56
Linn HS	56
Tribune-Greeley County HS	55
Beloit-St. John's HS	54
Waverly HS	54
Wellmore HS	51
Attica HS	50
Deerfield HS	49
Argonia HS	48
Cunningham HS	48
Kiowa-South Barber HS	48
Rolla HS	46
Moscow HS	45
Axtell HS	42
Bird City-Cheylin HS	42
Chase HS	42
Hope HS	42
Cedar Vale HS	40
Rozel-Pawnee Heights HS	40
Tescott HS	40
Wichita-Central Christian Academy	40
Almena-Northern Valley HS	39
White City HS	39
Logan HS	38
Wilson HS	35
Fowler HS	32
Natoma HS	30
Ransom-Western Plains HS	29
Weskan HS	29
Brewster HS	28
Palco HS	28
Glasco HS	27
Longton-Elk Valley HS	26
Hamilton HS	25
Miltonvale HS	22



Three schools will make the move up to Class 4A this year. Clay Center, Girard and Holton all saw their enrollment increase and will come back to 4A, while Osawatomie, Anderson County and Wichita-Trinity Academy will move out of 4A to 3A this year.

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## **Stiles, Lohse, Burk and Bowes to be inducted into LHS Hall of Fame**



**Dennis Stiles (top left), John Lohse (top right), Jason Burk (bottom left) and Krystal (Bowes) Grojean will be inducted into the Louisburg High School Athletic Hall of Fame this fall.**

It has been 11 years since Louisburg High School had inducted a class into its athletic hall of fame, but the wait for a new class is finally over.

The USD 416 Endowment Association, which oversees the LHS Athletic Hall of Fame, has announced a new 4-member class. Dennis Stiles (Class of 1969), John Lohse (1995), Jason Burk (1999) and Krystal (Bowes) Grojean (2001) were the top four vote getters in this year's hall of fame voting and will be honored in an induction ceremony sometime this fall.

“Louisburg has a history of great athletes,” said Damon Dennis, a USD 416 Endowment Association board member. “We had a good cross-section of both young and older voters this year that really took their job seriously. The four athletes chosen represent several generations of former Wildcats and each one were dominant in their particular era and sports. The Endowment Association is excited to get the Hall of Fame going again and plan on some big things in the future.”

More than two dozen voters, that includes current members of the hall of fame, long-time Louisburg residents, teachers and coaches, voted on the class in June. Each voter was asked to submit their top four choices for the hall and votes were then tabulated.

To be eligible for the hall of fame, the inductee must wait at least 10 years following graduation to be nominated.

The last class that was inducted was in 2008 and Dennis, and the rest of the Endowment Association, is committed to making this a yearly occurrence moving forward.

Here  
are the accomplishments of each of the newest hall of fame inductees. Look for  
more information on an induction ceremony in the coming weeks.



**Dennis Stiles**

# **Dennis Stiles – Class of 1969 – Football, Basketball, Track**

Stiles

lettered 4 years in football and track and 3 years in basketball. His senior year he was named all-league and all-state in football and was co-captain on the Wildcat team that finished the year 4-4.

As sophomore, he played on the varsity basketball team which was 12-0 in league play, finished the year 19-3 and were district champions. He earned honorable mention all-state honors his sophomore and junior seasons and was second-team all-state his senior year. Stiles was at one time the school's career scoring leader.

Stiles competed at the state track meet as a junior and senior where he placed fourth in the discus his senior year. He previously held school records in the discus and triple jump. He also received a football scholarship to Kansas State University.



**John Lohse**

## **John Lohse – Class of 1995 – Football, Basketball and Baseball**

Lohse lettered all four years in baseball and was selected to represent

Kansas in the all-star baseball classic his senior year. He was an all-league

pitcher and centerfielder for the Wildcats his sophomore through senior years.

He had a .510 average his junior and senior seasons with 10 home runs his

junior year and 12 more his senior season.

In football, Lohse was a 3-year letterwinner. He was an all-league wide

receiver his junior and senior seasons. In his senior year, he had 850 yards

receiving and 11 touchdowns and was later selected to represent Kansas in the

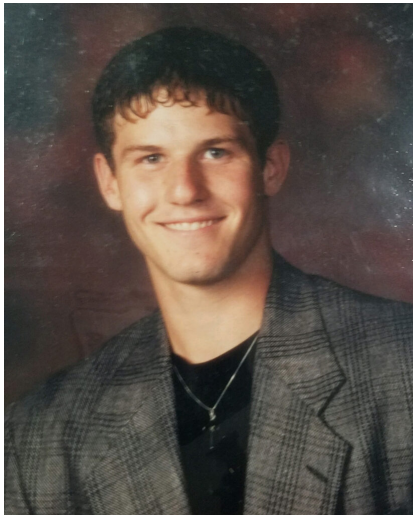
Metro Classic All-Star Game.

Lohse was also a 3-year letterwinner in basketball and was an

all-league selection his junior and senior seasons. He averaged a double-double

his junior and senior years.

Post-graduation, Lohse attended Pittsburg State on a baseball scholarship and played on the Gorilla team for four years. He was selected to the all-MIAA team his sophomore and junior seasons before injuring his shoulder his senior year. He had a .315 average his junior and senior seasons. In his first collegiate at-bat his freshman year, Lohse hit a game-winning grand slam to give Pitt State its first win over Missouri Southern in five years.



**Jason Burk**

## **Jason Burk – Class of 1999 – Track and Football**

Burk was a 4-year letterwinner for the Louisburg track and field team and qualified for state in all four years in four events. He accumulated 12 state medals, 16 regional track medals and 14 Frontier League medals. Burk was selected to the Kansas City All-Metro track team in 1998 and 1999.

During his senior season, Burk was a state champion in both

the triple  
and long jump. He won the triple jump with a leap 48 feet and  
the long jump  
with a mark of 22-5. He also finished fifth in the 100-meter  
dash and sixth in  
the high jump. As a junior, Burk won a state championship in  
the triple jump  
with mark of 46 feet and won three more state medals. He took  
second long jump,  
fourth in the 100 dash and sixth in the 200 dash. As a  
sophomore, Burk won  
state medals in the triple jump (second), long jump (fourth)  
and 4×100 relay  
(third). He was a member of the 4×100 team that took second at  
state as a  
freshman in 1996.

At one time, Burk held seven school records. He currently  
holds school  
records in the triple jump, high jump and long jump. Burk  
holds the school  
record for most points in a season with 326.

Burk also played football, where he was a part of bi-district,  
district  
and regional championship teams.





**Krystal (Bowes) Grojean**

## **Krystal (Bowes) Grojean – Class of 2001 – Volleyball, Basketball, Track**

Bowes was a 4-year letterwinner in track before she was offered a scholarship on the Wichita State track and field team.

In her senior season at Louisburg, Bowes earned three state medals, including a second-place finish in the javelin with a throw of 145-10. She was also third in the discus with a toss of 126-9 and fifth in the shot put at 37-5. As a sophomore and junior, she finished sixth in the discus at state. In all, Bowes racked up five state medals in her high school career before moving on to Wichita State. She is the current Louisburg record holder in the javelin (146-10) and discus (137-11).

At Wichita State, she earned academic All-American honors and was a team captain all four years. Bowes was a two-time NCAA national qualifier and finished fifth in the javelin and was second in the Missouri Valley Conference in 2006. In 2004, Bowes took first in the MVC in the javelin and fourth in the discus. In 2003, she won the Missouri Valley Conference discus title, was second in the javelin and fourth in the hammer throw. Bowes was also a member two Shocker teams that won conference titles.

In volleyball and basketball at LHS, Bowes was a 3-year letterwinner in each sport and earned first-team all-Frontier League honors each season.

Current members of the LHS Hall of Fame

### **Class of 2005:**

Tom

Stevens – 1934 – Track and Field (High Jump)

1947/48

Undefeated Football Teams

Richard

Meiers – 1949 – Basketball/Football

Don

Meek – 1965-1998 – Coach/Administrator

Larry

Harding – 1976-1994 – Volleyball/Golf Coach

Amy

Dodson Goode – 1986 – Volleyball/Basketball

### **Class of 2006:**

Jim

Wells – 1936 – Track and Field (Pole Vault)/Football

Doug

Eaton – 1971 – Wrestling

Sue

Truman Apple – 1974 – Track and Field/Volleyball/Basketball

Mike

Meek – 1985- Football/Wrestling/Track and Field

Jamie

Waite – 1991 – Track and Field (Pole Vault)/Football/Basketball

### **Class of 2007**

Alan

Taylor – 1949 – Football

Tim

Dozier – 1987 – Wrestling/Football

Beth

Dodson Dixon – 1989 – Volleyball/Basketball

Jeff

Lohse – 1991 – Baseball/Football/Basketball

### **Class of 2008**

Greg

Kahmann – 1987 – Baseball/Football/Basketball

Mark

Buckingham – 1994 – Basketball