

THE SCORE

Winter Edition 2019

Girls Wrestling Rosters 2018-19 Season

Battle High School:

- Anyha Cain
- Madajah Turner
- Niyia Morris
- Tyrah Knedler
- Amara Reichert
- Jasmine Westendorf
- Mary Kate Bordenkircher
- Marika Witte
- Taylor Reed
- Paci Lindsey
- Emma Tatlow

Hickman High School:

- Julia Quan
- Alyssa Merson
- Belle Harrell
- Justice Baum
- Blair Benton
- Eden Poe
- Zaida Williams
- Lebria Cook
- Danya Kassem
- Sophia Pinkstaff
- Olivia Choudhary
- Brayden Dodds

Rock Bridge High School:

- Anna Stephens
- Paige Hensley

Inaugural Year of Girls Wrestling



As of July 1, 2018 Missouri became the ninth state overall and third state this season to include girls wrestling as an official sport. The inclusion was passed with an overwhelming majority of 202 votes for the addition and only 41 votes against the addition. Three of our Columbia high schools celebrated the addition as well and had enough interest to develop teams at Battle, Hickman, and Rock Bridge.

Most of the rules regarding beginning practice dates, division of weight classes, and number of competition dates were the same as boys wrestling. However, the girls wrestling programs are on a two year transition plan. This means that during the first two years of the program, the girls will have the option to compete in the boys lineup and girls lineup for regular season contests only. After the two year transitional period, girls will only be allowed to compete against other girls. The postseason was divided immediately following the implementation of the girls program. The girls had a separate district tournament that was held one week prior to the boys district tournament. Only regular season matches where girls competed against girls were factored in the seeding of the district tournament. The top four wrestlers in each weight class moved on to compete at the state tournament, which was held at the same time and location as the boys state tournament. The state tournament was held February 14-16 at Mizzou Arena.

BATTLE

Student-Athletes Who Signed Wednesday, February 6, 2019

- **Chase Anderson**
(Football, Missouri Western University)
- **De'Shawn Ganaway**
(Football, Quincy University)
- **Drew Gillig**
(Football, Missouri Baptist University)
- **Jake Hedrick**
(Football, William Jewell College)
- **Daniel Hendren**
(Football, Missouri Baptist University)
- **Jaren Lewis**
(Football, Kansas State University)
- **Torian Palmer**
(Football, Coffeyville Community College)
- **Cody Rachatellelle**
(Football, Westminster College)
- **Parker Ray**
(Football, University of Central Arkansas)
- **De'Shannon Turner**
(Football, Coffeyville Community College)
- **Jaylon Williamson**
(Football, Missouri Western University)

Girls Basketball



The girls basketball team worked hard and showed improvement from their last season. They ended with an overall record of 8-19, bringing home three more wins and two less losses than their previous record. The Spartans faced the Timberland Lady Wolves in the first round of districts. After battling through a tough four quarters, the Spartans fell to the Lady Wolves with a score of 37-45. Senior Kendra Mackey was named to the Class 5 District 8 All-District Team following the tournament.

Left: Senior Kendra Mackey lays one up during the Norm Stewart Classic at Columbia College. The Spartans faced the Harrisburg Lady Bulldogs and won 51-49.



Above (Left to right): Torian Palmer, De'Shannon Turner, Chase Anderson, Jaylon Williamson, Drew Gillig, De'Shawn Ganaway, Jake Hedrick, Cody Rachatellelle, Daniel Hendren, Parker Ray
Not pictured: Jaren Lewis

Boys Basketball

Spartan boys basketball had a successful season, finishing with an overall record of 20-8. They were the #5 seed entering the class 5 district 8 tournament. The Spartans made a quite a run and upset Jefferson City in the first round, Timberland in the second, and Troy Buchanan in the district championship to bring home the 1st place plaque. From there they went on to face Francis Howell in the sectional game, but fell to another strong 20-8 team. The Spartans had several players named to the All-District Team including Sophomore Cachao Gianquinto and Juniors Maricus Grant and ZhVaughn Ward. Maricus Grant was also named the class 5 district 8 Player of the Year. Head coach Brian Meny was named the class 5 district 8 Coach of the Year.

Right: Junior ZhVaughn shoots over a Roosevelt defender in their February 8 match-up. The Spartans defeated the Roughriders 76-62.



SPARTANS

Girls Swimming

The Spartan girls swim team came in 21st out of 42 teams competing in the class 1 state tournament. Sophomore Mycah Davis had a 15th place finish in the 100 yard breaststroke. Senior Lauren Naeger found her place on the podium twice at the tournament. She finished in 4th place in the 200 yard individual medley and 3rd place in the 100 yard butterfly. The Spartans have 2 seniors graduating this year and 4 underclassmen returning for the 2019-20 school year.

Below: (Top) Senior Lauren Naeger accepts one of her medals at the state championship tournament. (Bottom) The 2018-19 Spartan swim team with coaches Taylor Birsa and Holly Lorson.



Wrestling

The Spartan boys wrestling team had 2 members make it to the MSHSAA state tournament. Junior Jackson Shea was in the 120 weight class and Senior Devin York was in the 195 weight class. York lost by a fall in round 1, but won by decision in the consolation round. He went on to the consolation round 2, but lost by a fall. Jackson Shea won in his first round match by a unanimous decision. In his quarterfinal match, Shea lost by a fall and then lost by decision in the consolation round 2.

The Spartans had two girls qualify for the first girls wrestling MSHSAA state tournament. Senior Taylor Reed wrestled in the 136 weight class. She lost by a fall in the first round and received a bye in the consolation round, but did not continue on in the tournament. Freshman Anyha Cain wrestled in the 235 weight class. She lost by a fall in the first round and received a bye in the consolation round, but also did not continue on in the tournament. Both girls have set the bar high for future Spartan girls who look to join this emerging sport.

Below: Senior Abdul El-Walid attempts to pin a Bruin opponent.



HICKMAN

Boys Basketball

The Kewpies made great improvements this season. They finished with an overall record of 8-17, but only lost by a deficit of ten or less points in twelve of those losses. In the first round of districts, the Kewpies faced the Raymore-Peculiar Panthers. True to their nature, they fought until the end but the final buzzer went off while they were just three points short of a first round win. The final score of the game was 67-69. While the outcome of the tournament was not what they hoped for, the Kewpies did have a few representatives on the All-District Team. Seniors Jarvis Jennings and Nyles Naylor were selected to the All-District Team. Senior Kelan Williams and Junior Caillou Naylor both were selected for honorable mention.

Head coach Cray Logan was very proud of his players and program. He had a powerful reflection of the Kewpie Basketball season: "Though not every game was won, any outsider having seen our previous season would tell you that this wasn't the same Hickman. This credit goes directly to the young men that have shown up from the start with a desire to improve and a willingness to be coachable. From the first day of practice, our coaching staff observed a new identity held by a group of maturing men wanting to be a part of something bigger than themselves. In short, they came every day playing for someone else's "WHY" and not just their own. With such an amazing and dedicated coaching staff to lean on, I knew that this year would be the solidification of something special for Hickman Basketball. The evidence of this, as well as watching each player improve their basketball skill, is more than a temporary resolve to ease the longing for more wins or a longer season. What I am most proud of is the standard that has now been set for this program and the fact that the members themselves have grown to hold that expectation for all future athletes wanting to join our ranks. These young men did more than carry a culture, they took pride in their identity." - Coach Logan

Below: Senior Jarvis Jennings dodges a Jefferson City Jay on a drive to the basket.



Student-Athletes Who Signed Wednesday, February 6, 2019



Above (Left to right): Lily Ashrafzadeh, Lexi Waters, Cortney Watkins, LaMarco Carter

- **Lily Ashrafzadeh**
(Track & Field, Columbia College)
- **LaMarco Carter**
(Football, McPherson College)
- **Lexi Waters**
(Golf, Lincoln University)
- **Cortney Watkins**
(Track & Field, Pittsburg State University)

Girls Basketball

It was a season of improvements for the Kewpies. They ended with an overall record of 7-19, adding a few more wins than last season. There were also many close games for the Kewpies where they were competitive and fought until the end. One of these games was their final game against the Belton Lady Pirates in the first round of districts. There were several lead changes throughout the game, but ultimately the Kewpies fell to the Lady Pirates with a score of 32-36. The Kewpies did have two players selected to the All-District Team, Senior Emma Chapman and Junior Maci Kuchta. Senior Emma Chapman will continue her basketball career next year at Kansas State University.

Below: Junior Maci Kuchta steals the ball from a Moberly Lady Spartan and takes off for a fast break in the Norm Stewart Classic.



KEWPIES

Wrestling

The boys wrestling team had two qualifiers for the state tournament. Freshman Ethan Barr wrestled in the 106 weight class. Although he lost the first round match by decision, he came back and won the consolation round 1 by a fall. He continued to the second consolation round, but lost by decision. Sophomore Jacob Waldron was wrestling in the 138 weight class. He lost by a fall in the first round and lost by the consolation round 1 match by decision. Both of these young Kewpies look to return to the state tournament next year.

The girls wrestling team had a very successful first season. They had three girls qualify for the state tournament. These three girls would lead their team to a 12th place overall finish out of 84 teams competing in the tournament. Senior Lebria Cook, who wrestled in the 167 weight class, lost by a fall in the first round and received a bye in the consolation round, but did not continue further in the tournament. Senior Julia Quan wrestled in the 116 weight class. She won her first round match by decision, lost her quarterfinal match by decision, and continued to the consolation round 3 where she lost by a fall. Junior Belle Harrell wrestled in the 121 weight class. Her undefeated record led her to a bye in the first round. She went on to win her quarterfinal match and semifinal match by a fall. In the championship round, she maintained her undefeated record and won by major decision to bring home 1st place for the Kewpies. Harrell was also named District Wrestler of the Year by the Missouri Coaches Association. Below: (Top) Junior Belle Harrell accepts her 1st place medal. (Bottom) The five Kewpie wrestlers who qualified for state.



Girls Swimming

The Kewpie girls swim team had a strong showing at the class 2 state tournament this year with a team finish of 5th place out of 31 teams competing. Several relay teams placed in the top 10. Junior Clara Telle, Senior Sarah Vogt, Senior Ellie Larson, and Junior Lauren Peck finished 10th in the 200 yard medley relay. The relay team including Senior Grace Beahan, Sophomore Gen Jones, Senior Ellie Larson, and Junior Camille Lease placed 9th in the 200 yard free style relay. In the 400 yard freestyle relay the team of Kewpies with Senior Grace Beahan, Sophomore Gen Jones, Senior Sarah Vogt, and Junior Camille Lease brought home 3rd place.

Several individuals made a splash at the tournament as well. Senior Sarah Vogt took 4th place in the 200 yard individual medley and 1st place in the 100 yard breaststroke. Junior Camille Lease placed 8th in the 100 yard breaststroke and 7th in the 500 yard freestyle. Sophomore Gen Jones had an 11th place finish in the 200 yard freestyle. Senior Grace Beahan made her last appearance in the high school state tournament a memorable one. She took 1st place in the 200 yard freestyle and 1st place in the 500 yard freestyle, setting a class 2 state record with a time of 4:56.40. Beahan was also voted Outstanding Swimmer of the 2019 Class 2 MSHSAA Swimming and Dive Meet (pictured below).



ROCK BRIDGE

Student-Athletes Who Signed Wednesday, February 6, 2019

- **Ja'Monta Black**
(Basketball, Missouri State University)
- **Melvin Drayton**
(Football, Southwest Baptist University)
- **Carson Linder**
(Soccer, Columbia College)
- **Marcus Manuel**
(Football, Southwest Baptist University)
- **Martez Manuel**
(Football, University of Missouri-Columbia)
- **Nathaniel Peat**
(Football, Stanford University)
- **Rhenn Wurzer**
(Volleyball, Westminster College)

Wrestling

The Bruins wrestling program had two representatives in the state tournament. Sophomore Marquis McCaster made it to the tournament for the boys team in the 152 weight class. He lost by fall in the first round, came back and won by fall in the first consolation round, and won by decision in the second consolation round which was his final match. Freshman Anna Stephens was the first ever member of the girls wrestling team to make it to the tournament. She wrestled in the 126 weight class where she won her first match by fall, but was eliminated in the quarterfinal round after losing by fall. Each of these young Bruin wrestlers hope to return and make a run at the state tournament next season.

Girls Basketball

The Bruin girls put another successful basketball season in the books and in the trophy case. They finished with an overall record of 18-10, a class 9 district 5 championship, and a sectional win, which led to an appearance in the Elite Eight. Their road to the state championship ended there with a heart-breaking 40-43 loss to a talented 22-8 Republic team. The Bruins did have three players represent the program on the All-District Team. The three players were Juniors Eryn Puett, Sanaa' St. Andre, and Bianca Stocks. Those returning players, as well as strong underclassmen performances this season, give the Bruins hope to make another run at the state title next year. Senior forward Mary Capron has signed with William Jewell College to continue her basketball career next year and represent the Bruins at the next level.



Above (Left to right): Ja'Monta Black, Melvin Drayton, Carson Linder, Martez and Marcus Manuel, Nathaniel Peat, Rhenn Wurzer

Below: (Left) Junior Eryn Puett goes up for a shot at the Norm Stewart Classic. (Right) Freshman Anna Stephens wrestles a Kewpie opponent during the regular season.



BRUINS

Girls Swimming

The Bruin girls swim team brought home the 2nd place plaque from the class 2 MSHSAA state championship meet. Both strong individual and relay team performances led to the Bruins overall score of 224.5, which was only 53.5 points behind the 1st place team. The relay teams of Sophomore Olivia Henderson, Senior Piper Osman, Sophomore Elise Henderson, and Junior Ansley Barnes placed 10th in the 200 yard freestyle relay and Sophomore Mara Manion, Senior Ellie Peery, Junior Reagan Richards, and Senior Piper Osman placed 6th in the 200 yard medley relay. The team including Junior Ansley Barnes, Sophomores Olivia Henderson and sister Elise Henderson, and Sophomore Mara Manion took 1st, winning the state title in the 400 yard freestyle relay.

Individuals finding their place on the podium or in the consolation finals included Freshman Olivia Liddle, who took 12th in the 1 meter diving competition, and Junior Reagan Richards, who took 8th in the 100 yard butterfly. Senior Ellie Peery placed 12th and Junior Reagan Richards placed 9th in the 100 yard breaststroke, while Sophomore Olivia Henderson finished 7th and Sophomore Mara Manion tied for 4th in the 100 yard freestyle. Sophomore Elise Henderson took 8th and Junior Ansley Barnes took 3rd in the 500 yard freestyle and both girls placed in the 200 yard freestyle, with E. Henderson taking 6th and Barnes taking 3rd in that race as well. Sophomores Olivia Henderson and Mara Manion had a strong showing for the Bruins in the 100 yard backstroke with O. Henderson bringing home 4th place and Manion bringing home 2nd place.

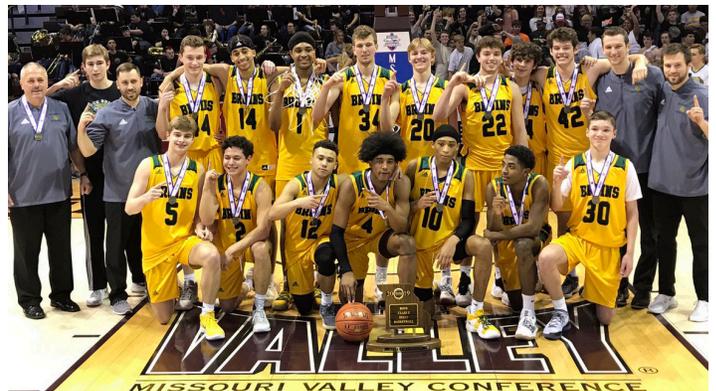
Below: The Bruins display their awards with their coaches after placing 2nd at the state championship meet.



Boys Basketball

The Bruins had quite a memorable season for the boys basketball program. They finished the season with an overall record of 25-3, a District Championship for the third year in a row, and wins over Camdenton, Kickapoo, and Lee's Summit North to make it to the state championship game. The Bruins defeated the CBC Cadets after a 4th quarter comeback put them up 63-59 to bring home the State Championship. The six seniors on the team, including Isiah Mosley, Dajuan Harris, Ja'Monta Black, Noah Patrick, Spencer Miles, and Quinton Brown, are leaving big shoes to fill after finishing with a career record of 95-17. Three of these seniors are likely to continue playing together for four more years after Black signed with Missouri State University and Harris and Mosley both verbally committed to Missouri State as well. Assistant coach Blair Scanlon said, "They [will] go out as the most successful senior class of all time in Rock Bridge High School: 3 time District Champions, back-to-back Final Four [appearances], undefeated Conference Champions for the last 4 years, and the 1st State Champions in school history for boys basketball".

Below: The Bruins accept the State Championship Trophy at JQH Arena in Springfield. **CONGRATULATIONS BRUINS!**



WINTER 2019



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