

HINSDALE CENTRAL BASKETBALL 2024-25 MEDIA GUIDE



**ONE TEAM, ONE GOAL
NO LIMITS**



RED DEVILS PROSPECTUS

Hinsdale Central will return six of its seven top scorers from last season and will have 62% of their offense from last year back for the 2024-25 campaign.

Vince Buzelis, is a returning All-West Suburban Conference selection. Buzelis, who has committed to the University of South Dakota, led the Red Devils in rebounding in 27 of their 31 games last year. Vince is the younger brother of Chicago Bulls first-round draft choice, and Hinsdale Central alumnus, Matas Buzelis.

Six-foot, eight-inch Tyler Thick returns for his third season on the varsity. Dillon Dell established the Hinsdale Central Holiday Classic single game three-point shooting record last year, going six-for-six from outside the arc against Schaumburg. Seniors Eric Kozys, Michael Howell and Dillon Orozco all received starting assignments from last year's varsity club. The Red Devils should also excel in team depth, as the Hinsdale Central sophomore teams have won the West Suburban Conference Silver title the last three seasons.

Hinsdale Central will open play at the Hoops for Healing Tournament during Thanksgiving Week, with games being played this year at both Oswego High School and Oswego East High School.

The Red Devils will host their own Holiday Classic over the Christmas break; and will play in the Shot Clock Shootout at Sandburg High School; the West Suburban Conference / Mid Suburban League Showdown at Buffalo Grove High School; the Martin Luther King Shootout at Fenwick High School; and compete in the Batavia Night of Hoops.

In addition to playing in the West Suburban Conference Silver Division, the Red Devils have non-conference home games against Downers South, Wheaton Academy, Fenwick and Prospect; and will travel to St. Patrick, Hinsdale South and Bartlett.

HINSDALE CENTRAL ROSTER

1	Eric Kozys	6-3	G	2025
2	Dillon Orozco	5-11	G	2025
3	Dillon Dell	6-3	G	2025
4	Vince Buzelis	6-4	G	2025
5	Cullen Bradley	6-3	F	2026
10	Tyler Thick	6-8	F	2025
11	Cole Bero	6-1	G	2026
12	Steven Banks	6-2	F	2025
13	Michael Howell	6-7	F	2025
14	Jacob Block	5-9	G	2026
15	Lukas Kozys	6-3	F	2026
21	Jack Froiland	5-11	G	2025
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23	Christian Cheung	6-2	G	2026
24	Joaquin Miyawaki	5-9	G	2026
25	Aryan Bansal	6-3	G	2026
30	Yousef Alosman	5-8	G	2026
32	Collin Tu	5-8	G	2026
33	Kareem Kassar	5-10	G	2026
35	Alex Nield	6-0	G	2025
44	Kris Dowell	6-2	G	2026

Head Coach:

Nick Latorre (15th year at Hinsdale Central)

Assistant Coaches:

Joe Spagnolo, Bob Curran, Kenny Cohen

HINSDALE CENTRAL SCHEDULE

OSWEGO / OSWEGO EAST THANKSGIVING TOURNAMENT

Mon. Nov. 25	Naperville Central @ Oswego East		5:30 pm
Tues. Nov. 26	Oswego East @ Oswego East		7:00 pm
Wed. Nov. 27	Butler Prep @ Oswego High School		3:30 pm
Fri. Nov. 29	TBA @ Oswego High School		TBA
Fri. Dec. 6	Glenbard West	HOME	7:00 pm
Tues. Dec. 10	St. Patrick	Away	7:00 pm
Fri. Dec. 13	Lyons Township	HOME	7:00 pm
Sat. Dec. 14	York	HOME	5:00 pm
Fri Dec. 20	Downers Grove North	Away	8:00 pm
Sat. Dec. 21	Sandburg Shootout vs. Lemont		11:30 am

HINSDALE CENTRAL HOLIDAY CLASSIC

Thur. Dec. 26	Opening Round – Opponent TBA		TBA
Fri. Dec. 27	Second Round – Opponent TBA		TBA
Sat. Dec. 28	Third Round – Opponent TBA		TBA
Mon. Dec. 30	Fourth Round – Opponent TBA		TBA
Sat. Jan. 4	WSC / MSL Challenge @ Buffalo Grove vs. Hersey		5:00 pm
Fri. Jan. 10	Oak Park-River Forest	Away	7:30 pm
Sat. Jan. 11	Downers Grove South	HOME	2:30 pm
Tue. Jan. 14	York	Away	7:00 pm
Fri. Jan. 17	Wheaton Academy	HOME	7:00 pm
Sat. Jan. 18	Hinsdale South	Away	6:00 pm
Mon. Jan. 20	MLK Fenwick Shootout vs. Notre Dame		12:00 pm
Fri. Jan. 24	Proviso West	HOME	7:00 pm
Sat. Jan. 25	Batavia Night of Hoops vs. Hillcrest		3:00 pm
Fri. Jan. 31	Glenbard West	Away	7:00 pm
Sat. Feb. 1	Bartlett	Away	3:00 pm
Tue. Feb. 4	Oak Park-River Forest	HOME	7:00 pm
Fri. Feb. 7	Downers Grove North	HOME	7:00 pm
Sat. Feb. 8	Fenwick	HOME	3:00 pm
Tues. Feb. 11	Prospect	HOME	7:00 pm
Sat. Feb. 15	Proviso West	Away	7:30 pm
Tue. Feb. 18	Lyons Township	Away	6:30 pm

CONFERENCE OPPONENTS

DOWNERS GROVE NORTH

Away: Friday, December 20 – Home: Friday, February 7

Recent Meetings: 1/9/24 W 53-41 | 12/5/23 L 47-56 | 3/3/23 L 43-53 | 1/7/23 W 48-46 (3OT)

Coach: Jim Thomas

GLENBARD WEST

Home: Friday, December 6 – Away: Friday, January 31

Recent Meetings: 2/13/24 W 52-48 | 1/16/24 W 44-31 | 2/14/23 W 54-34 | 1/17/23 W 53-39

Coach: Jason Opoka

LYONS TOWNSHIP

Home: Friday, December 13 – Away: Tuesday, February 18

Recent Meetings: 2/10/24 L 52-57 | 1/19/24 L 42-50 | 3/1/23 W 46-40 | 2/11/23 W 57-55

Coach: Tom Sloan

OAK PARK-RIVER FOREST

Away: Friday, January 10 – Home: Tuesday, February 4

Recent Meetings: 2/2/24 W 80-47 | 12/14/23 W 62-53 | 2/3/23 W 69-54 | 12/16/22 W 78-75

Coach: Phil Gary

PROVISO WEST

Home: Friday, January 24 – Away: Saturday, February 15

Recent Meetings: 2/9/24 W 73-48 | 2/3/24 W 90-66 | 2/22/23 W 56-36 | 2/10/23 W 73-51

Coach: Lamont Bryant

YORK

Home: Saturday, December 14 – Away: Tuesday, January 14

Recent Meetings: 1/26/24 L 53-56 | 12/1/23 L 43-50 | 1/27/23 W 50-38 | 12/2/22 W 56-41

Coach: Mike Dunn

TOURNAMENTS & SHOOTOUTS

OSWEGO / OSWEGO EAST THANKSGIVING TOURNAMENT

Away: November 25, 26 at Oswego East – November 27, 29 at Oswego High School

Nov 25 vs. Naperville Central; Nov 26 vs. Oswego East; Nov. 27 vs. Butler Prep; Nov. 29 – TBA

All-Time Record: 13-19 – Third Place, 2022; Third Place, 2021

SANDBURG SHOOTOUT

Away: Saturday, December 21 at Sandburg High School – vs. Lemont

Coach: Rich Runaas

HINSDALE CENTRAL HOLIDAY CLASSIC

Home: December 26, 27, 28, 30

Al-Time Record: 18-14 – Tournament Champions: 2022

WEST SUBURBAN CONFERENCE / MID-SUBURBAN LEAGUE CHALLENGE

Away: Saturday, January 4 at Buffalo Grove High School – vs. Hersey

Coach: Bob Widlowski

FENWICK MARTIN LUTHER KING SHOOTOUT

Away: Monday, January 20 at Fenwick High School – vs. Notre Dame

Coach: Kevin Clancy

BATAVIA NIGHT OF HOOPS SHOOTOUT

Away: Saturday, January 25 at Batavia High School – vs. Hillcrest

Coach: Don Houston

NON-LEAGUE OPPONENTS

ST. PATRICK

Away: Tuesday, December 10

Recent Meetings: 12/28/11 W 64-62

Coach: Mike Bailey

DOWNERS GROVE SOUTH

Home: Saturday, January 11

Recent Meetings: 1/5/24 L 48-55 | 1/6/23 W 65-38 | 11/23/22 W 66-56 | 1/22/22 W 51-45

Coach: Zach Miller

WHEATON ACADEMY

Home: Saturday, December 17

Recent Meetings: 12/2/23 W 65-60 | 12/14/22 W 76-57

Coach: Daniel Smith

HINSDALE SOUTH

Away: Saturday, January 18

Recent Meetings: 12/3/22 W 49-43 | 12/4/21 W 62-51 | 1/25/20 L 44-54 | 1/27/20 L 46-56

Coach: Scott Tanaka

BARTLETT

Away: Saturday, February 1

Recent Meetings: 12/17/22 L 62-67 | 1/29/22 W 63-54 | 1/3/18 L 49-57

Coach: Jim Wolfsmith

FENWICK

Home: Saturday, February 8

Recent Meetings: 1/15/24 L 54-61 | 12/27/14 W 52-43 | 12/29/12 W 64-50 | 12/28/10 L 48-59

Coach: David Ferguson

PROSPECT

Home: Tuesday, February 11

Recent Meetings: 2/6/24 L 51-57 | 2/7/23 W 64-48 | 1/14/17 L 56-63

Coach: Brad Rathe

MEET THE TEAM



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30 YOUSEF ALOSMAN

5'8" Guard • Class of 2026



Birthday: March 25. Nickname: You. Favorite movie is Star Wars: Revenge of the Sith. Favorite TV Show is The Office. Favorite Athlete is Mohamed Salah. Favorite Sports Team is the Chicago Bulls. Favorite Pig-Out Food is Culvers. Favorite Music Artist is Drake. Pre-Game Meal includes Chicken and Rice with Gatorade. Member of the Honor Roll and Dean's List. His Future Plans is to become a Dentist. Three Words that Describe him are Passionate, Hard-Working and Funny. When he played ball as a kid, he pretended to be Steph Curry. If he could play another sport professionally it would be Soccer. Most influential person he has met is Shawn Marion. He likes to hang out with friends and loves watching sports.

12 STEVEN BANKS

6'2" Forward • Class of 2025

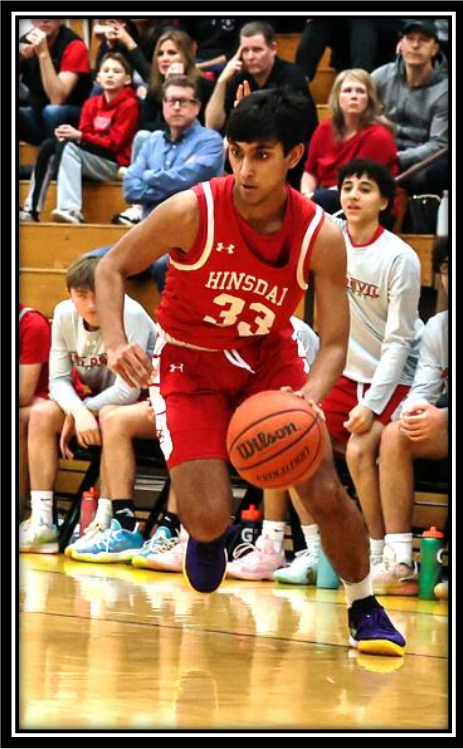


Birthday: October 11. Favorite movie is Toy Story. Favorite athlete is Carsen Edwards. Favorite sports team is the Chicago Cubs. Favorite music artist is Billy Joel. Favorite TV Show is Breaking Bad. Favorite pig-out food is Pizza. Top leisure time activities are cards and videogames. Favorite Pre-game meal is Uncrustables. Member of the Dean's List and National Honor Society. Three words that describe him are Athletic, Nice and Funny. Lists his Dad as the person he admires most. Claims to be as good as anyone at knowing random sports facts. Person in history he would like to meet is Jackie Robinson.

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25 ARYAN BANSAL

6'3" Guard • Class of 2026



Birthday: April 5. Favorite Movie is The Lion King. Favorite TV Show is Outer Banks. Favorite Pig-Out Food is Eggplant Parmesan. Favorite Music Artist is Travis Scott. Favorite Pre-Game Meal is Pasta. The people he admires most is his Mom and Dad. Started his own Tutoring Program helping athletes become strong academically. His Uncle, Sumant Bhat, played for the Red Devils and still holds the school's single season record for blocked shots. Most influential person he has met is CNN Correspondent Manu Raju. Three words that describe him are Hardworking, Kind and Leader. He is a champion Ping Pong Player and won the Hinsdale Central Pickleball Tournament. Also plays Tennis for the Red Devils.

11 COLE BERO

6'1" Guard • Class of 2026



Birthday: December 8. Favorite Movie is Hoosiers. Favorite TV Show is Suits. Favorite Book is The Boys In The Boat. Favorite Athlete is Giannis Antetokounmpo. Favorite Sports Team is the Green Bay Packers. Favorite Pig-Out Food is Chicken and Steak Tacos. Favorite High School Class is Calculus. Member of the Micro Finance Club. Best Athlete he has played against is Vince Buzelis. Claims to be as good as anyone at Wakesurfing. Among his goals is to Travel the World and Explore Many Different Cultures. Person in History he would like to meet is Vince Lombardi. Interesting fact about Cole is that he was born in Hong Kong.

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14 JACOB BLOCK

5'9" Guard • Class of 2026



Birthday: May 2. **Favorite Movie** is Grown Ups. **Favorite TV show** is Dexter. **Favorite Athlete** is Ja Morant. **Favorite Sports Team** is the Memphis Grizzlies. **Favorite Pig-Out Food** is Grandma's Pasta. **Favorite Music Artist** is Drake. **Favorite Pre-Game Meal** is Jimmy John's subs. **Member of the Dean's List.** **Has a 4.76 Grade Point Average.** **Three words that describe him** are Energetic, Kind and an Outright-Dog. **Person in history he would like to meet** is George Washington. **Older brother Noah** also played varsity basketball at Hinsdale Central.

5 CULLEN BRADLEY

6'3" Forward • Class of 2026

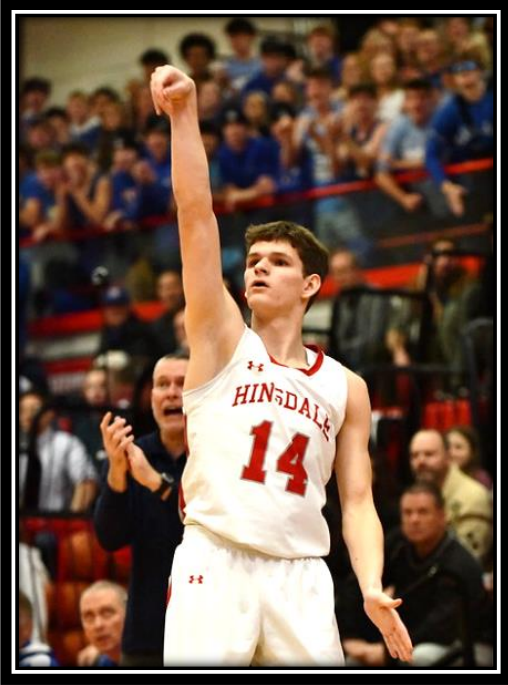


Birthday: July 1. **Favorite Movie** is The Wolf of Wall Street. **Favorite TV Show** is Outer Banks. **Favorite Book** is Baseball Genius. **Favorite Athlete** is Johnny Football. **Favorite Sports Team** is the Chicago Bulls. **Favorite Music Artist** is Zach Bryan. **Favorite Pig-Out Food** is Cake from Portillo's. **Favorite leisure time activities** include Golfing with Friends. **Three words that describe him** are Strong, Tough and Kind. **If he was President, he would make Chipotle Free for all Athletes.** **When he played ball as a kid, he pretended to be Jimmy Butler.** **Lists his Dad as the most influential person he has met.** **Cullen is also a member of the Hinsdale Central Lacrosse Team.**

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4 VINCE BUZELIS

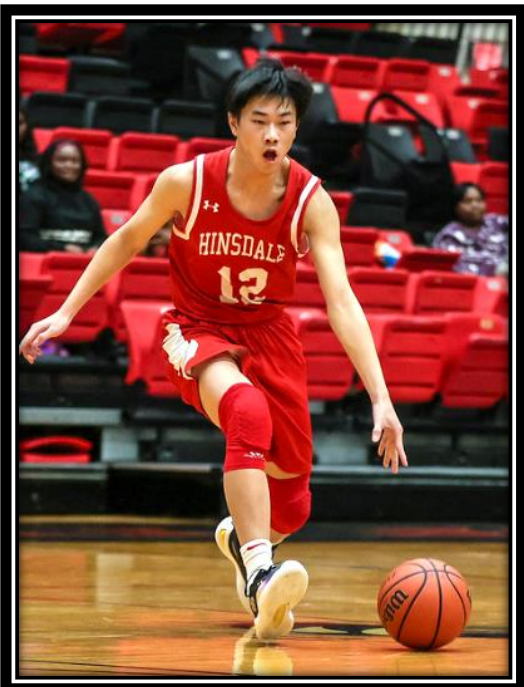
6'4" Guard • Class of 2025



Birthday: April 3. Nickname is Vinny. Favorite movie is Scarface. Favorite TV Show is Suits. Favorite book is The Boxcar Children. Favorite Athlete is Kyrie Irving. Favorite sports team is Hinsdale Central. Favorite music artist is Zach Bryan. Favorite high school class is lunch. Member of the Honor Roll. Three words that describe him are Passionate, Caring and Beast. Person in history he would like to meet is Larry Bird. Favorite leisure time activities include spending time with family. Played previously at Sunrise Christian Academy in Bel Aire, Kansas. Older brother Matas was selected in the first round of the 2025 NBA Draft by the Chicago Bulls.

23 CHRISTIAN CHEUNG

6'2" Guard • Class of 2026



Birthday: January 9. Favorite Movie is Coach Carter. Favorite TV Show is Outer Banks. Favorite Book is Ordinary People. Favorite Athlete is Lonzo Ball. Favorite Pig-Out Food is Fried Chicken. Favorite Pre-Game Meal is Carbs and Broccoli. Favorite Music Artist is Drake. Favorite High School Class is Pre-Engineering. Member of the National Honor Society. When he played ball as a kid, he pretended to be Jason Williams. Three words that describe him are Compassionate, Gritty and Positive. Person in history he would like to meet is Albert Einstein.

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3 DILLON DELL

6'3" Guard • Class of 2025



Birthday: September 25. Favorite TV Show is Sid The Science Kid. Favorite Movie is Toy Story 2. Favorite Book is Green Eggs and Ham. Favorite Sports Team is the Shanghai Sharks. Favorite Pig-Out Food is Canned Refried Beans. Favorite Music Artist is Jack Johnson. When he played ball as a kid, he pretended to be Hakeem Olajuwon. Claims to be better than anyone else at eating frozen pizzas. He if he was President he would elect teammate Jack Froiland as Vice-President. Three words that describe him are Nice, Smart and Competitive. His Advice to youngsters is: Good, Better Best; Never let it rest until Good is Better and Better is Best.

44 KRIS DOWELL

6'2" Guard • Class of 2026



Birthday: May 14. Favorite Movie is Top Gun. Favorite TV Show is Seinfeld. Favorite Athlete is Donovan Mitchell. Favorite Sports Team is Michigan Basketball. Favorite Pig-Out Food is Pancakes. Favorite High School Class is Accounting. Favorite Pre-Game Meal is Chick-fil-A. A member of the Dean's List, National Honor Society and the Broadcasting Club. Best Athlete he has Played Against is Jaden Schutt. Three words that describe him are Selfless, Hard-Working and Persistent. Claims to be as good as anyone at Juggling. His Advice to Youngsters is Don't Trade Your Authenticity for Approval.

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21 JACK FROILAND

5'11" Guard • Class of 2025



Birthday: October 6. **Nickname** is J Fro. **Favorite Movie** is Cars 2. **Favorite TV Show** is Dinosaur Train. **Favorite Athlete** is Dwayne Wade. **Favorite Sports Team** is the Chicago Bears. **Favorite Pig-Out Food** is a Pulled Pork Sandwich. **Favorite Music Artists** is Bruno Mars. **Favorite leisure time activities** include video games. **Favorite pre-game meal** is a banana. **List his Mom** as his most admired person. **Member of the school Dean's List, the Boy Scouts, the Microfinance Club and the National Honor Society.** **Three words that describe him** are Nice, Hard-Working and Unique. **If he could play another sport professionally it would be** badminton. **Person in history he would like to meet** is Helen Keller.

13 MICHAEL HOWELL

6'7" Forward • Class of 2025



Birthday: August 12. **Nicknames** include Mikey, Charizard and Sticks. **Favorite TV show** is All American. **Favorite book** is Unwind. **Favorite athlete** is Paul George. **Favorite sports team** is the Indiana Pacers. **Favorite music artist** is J. Cole. **Favorite pig-out food** is tacos. **Favorite high school class** is Physics. **Pre-game meal** is Jimmy John's at least an hour before tip-off. **Is as good as anyone at cooking.** **Most influential person he has met** is Fred Hoiberg. **Person in history he would like to meet** is Kobe Bryant. **His advice to youngsters** is to work hard at what you are passionate about. **Older sister Abby** played basketball at Hinsdale Central.

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33 KAREEM KASSAR

5'10" Guard • Class of 2026



Birthday: October 18. Favorite Movie is Hustle. Favorite TV Show is All American. Favorite Athlete is Derrick Rose. Favorite Pig-Out Food is Chick-fil-A. Favorite Pre-Game Meal is a Turkey Sandwich. Favorite High School is Pre-Calculus. Has a 4.5 Grade Point Average. When he played ball as a kid, he pretended to be Michael Jordan. Leisure time activities include options trading, weightlifting and going out. Three words that describe him are Hard-Working, Disciplined and Consistent. Person in history he would like to meet is Elon Musk.

1 ERIC KOZYS

6'3" Guard • Class of 2025



Birthday: November 6. Nickname is Easy E. Favorite Movie is Hacksaw Ridge. Favorite TV Show is Rick and Morty. Favorite athlete is Jason Williams. Favorite sports team is the Chicago Bulls. Favorite Pig-Out Food is Pumpkin Pie. Favorite music artist is Yeat. Leisure time activities include Fishing and Making and Eating Pumpkin Pie. Three words that describe him are Studious, Impeccable and Comedic. Lists his dad is the person he most admires. Best Athlete he has played against is Ben Oosterbaan. When he played ball as a kid, he pretended to be Yao Ming. Claims he is good as anyone at eating Pumpkin Pie. Younger brother Lukas is a member of this year's varsity team.

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15 LUKAS KOZYS

6'3" Forward • Class of 2026



Birthday: March 14. **Nickname** is Big Bird. Older brother Eric is a member of the varsity basketball team. **Favorite Movie** is Grownups 2. **Favorite TV Show** is The Sopranos. **Favorite Book** is Can't Hurt Me. **Favorite Athlete** is Dennis Rodman. **Favorite Sports Team** is the Chicago Bulls. **Favorite Pig-Out Food** is Chipotle. **Favorite Music Artist** is Yeat. Lists his Dad as his most admired person. **Member of the Honor Roll.** **Future plans** include becoming a Day Trader. **Person in history** he would like to meet is Napoleon Hill. **Three words** that describe him are Humorous, Hard-Working and Athletic. **His Goal in Life** is to Become the Best Version of Himself.

24 JOAQUIN MIYAWAKI

5'9' Guard • Class of 2026



Birthday: January 16. **Favorite Movie** is 21 Jump Street. **Favorite TV Show** is The Soprano's. **Favorite Athlete** is Lebron James. **Favorite Sports Team** is the Los Angeles Lakers. **Favorite Pre-Game Meal** consists of Bacon, Egg and Cheese. **Favorite Music Artist** is Morgan Wallen. **Favorite leisure time activities** include weightlifting. **Member of the Microfinance Club.** When he played ball as a kid, he pretended to be Kyrie Irving. **Three words** that describe him are Quick, Humble and Energetic. **Person in history** he would like to meet is George Washington.

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35 ALEX NIELD

6'0" Guard • Class of 2025



Birthday: October 27. Favorite Movie is The Hangover. Favorite TV Show is How I Met Your Mother. Favorite Book is The Hunger Games. Favorite Athlete is Bo Nix. Favorite Sports Team is the Denver Broncos. Favorite Pig-Out Food is Popcorn. Favorite Music Artist is Luke Combs. Drinks a Coca-Cola before every game. Lists his parents as his most admired people. Three words that describe him are Outgoing, Fun and Positive. If he was President, he would support a Four-Day Work Week. Person in history he would like to meet is Julius Caesar. Younger brother Andrew is a member of the sophomore basketball team.

22 CHARLIE NORDBY

6'0" Guard • Class of 2025



Birthday: November 4. Favorite movie is National Treasure. Favorite book is The Da Vinci Code. Favorite athlete is Scottie Scheffler. Is a fan of the Jacksonville Jaguars. Enjoys listening to Florida Georgia Line. Person in history he would like to meet is George Washington. Favorite pig-out food is tacos. Favorite high school class is physics. Three words that describe him are Analytical, Humorous, and Confident. Pre-game routine consists of locking in with rap music, doing a dynamic warmup and eating an energy bar. Was a member of the Hinsdale Central 2024 State Championship Golf Team.

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2 DILLON OROZCO

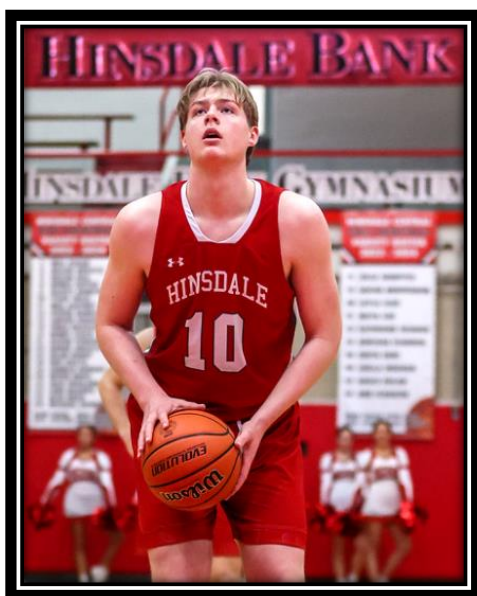
5'11" Guard • Class of 2025



Birthday: June 2. Nickname is D.O. Favorite TV show is Cobra Kai. Favorite sports team is the Atlanta Hawks. Favorite music artist is Gunna. Favorite movie is Thunderstruck. Favorite Book is Diary of a Wimpy Kid. Favorite leisure time activities include swimming and weightlifting. Favorite pig-out food is Chipotle. Athletes he most admires include Dwayne Johnson, Steph Curry, and Trae Young. Pre-game meal consists of pasta and starbursts. Member of the Microfinance Club. Was a former Spelling Bee champion. Three words that describe him are Funny, Active, and Hard-Working. Has a passion to go zip-lining. Older brother Daniel led the Red Devils in scoring last season.

10 TYLER THICK

6'8" Forward • Class of 2025



Birthday: April 18. Favorite movie is Good Will Hunting. Favorite sports team is the Chelsea Football Club. Favorite athlete is Bronny James. Favorite pig-out food is Ranch. Favorite Book is The Energy Bus. Favorite music artist is The Killers. Played on Hinsdale Central's 31-win varsity basketball team as a sophomore. Merit Commended Scholar. Red Devil Character Award Winner. President of the Wellness House Youth Council. Three words that describe him are Outgoing, Dedicated and Hard-Working. Person in history he would like to meet is former HC Hoopster Matt Rafferty. Is a self-published author.

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32 COLLIN TU

5'8" Guard • Class of 2026



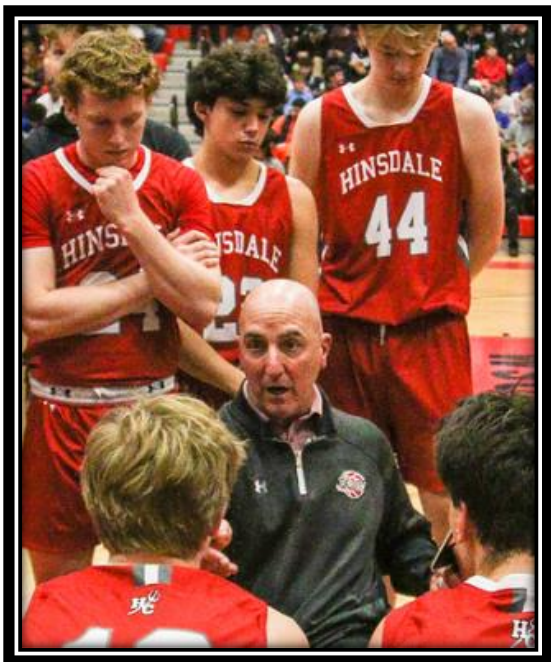
Birthday: May 22. **Favorite Movie** is Southpaw. **Favorite TV Show** is The 100. **Favorite Athlete** is Payton Pritchard. **Favorite Book** is Hooper. **Favorite Sports Team** is the Chicago Bulls. **Favorite High School Class** is Physics. **Favorite Pig-Out Food** is Pasta. **Favorite Music Artist** is Frank Ocean. **Leisure time activities** include Fishing and Working Out. **Member of the National Honor Society.** **Three words that describe him** are Calm, Relaxed and Smart. **If he were President, he would** lower taxes and have a law against being grumpy. **His advice to youngster** is to Enjoy Life and Make the Most of the Moment.

RED DEVILS BIRTHDAY LIST

January 9	Christian Cheung	July 1	Cullen Bradley
January 16	Joaquin Miyawaki	July 29	Ron Buetow
February 8	Bob Curran	July 29	Ben Kalal
February 24	Joe Spagnolo	July 29	Nick Latorre
March 14	Lukas Kozys	August 12	Michael Howell
March 25	Yousef Alosman	September 25	Dillon Dell
April 3	Vince Buzelis	October 6	Jack Froiland
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May 2	Jacob Block	October 27	Alex Nield
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May 16	Kenny Cohen	November 6	Eric Kozys
May 22	Collin Tu	November 18	Colin Doyle
June 2	Dillon Orozco	December 8	Cole Bero
June 15	John Chapman		

COACHING STAFF

HEAD COACH NICK LATORRE



The winningest coach in Hinsdale Central basketball history, Latorre has won 228 games with the Red Devils in the past 14 seasons. Latorre was head coach for nine years at Driscoll Catholic High School in Addison prior to Hinsdale. His teams have won seven conference championships, six IHSA regional titles and one IHSA sectional championship. Two years ago, Latorre guided the Red Devils to the most wins ever in school history (31) in a single season. Latorre, who coached the Red Devils girl's golf teams to state championships in 2014, 2015 and 2022, teaches business education at Hinsdale Central.

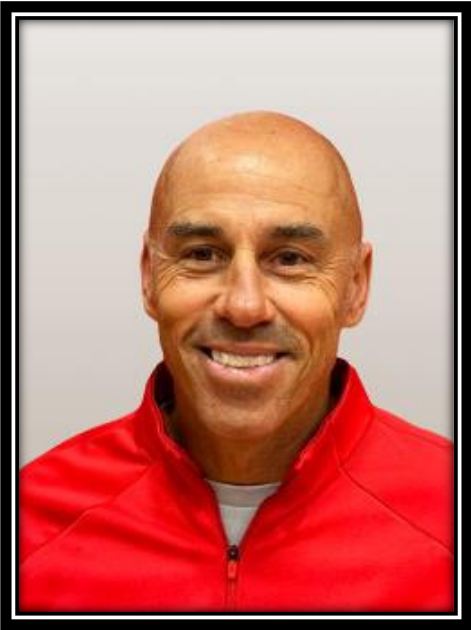
ASSISTANT COACH JOE SPAGNOLO



In his third season as the Red Devils assistant varsity basketball coach, Spagnolo previously coached at his alma mater, Proviso West, where the Panthers varsity program won 133 games, won four regional titles, two conference championships, and captured the school's only sectional title during his eight years. In addition to his coaching duties, Spagnolo has served as the Tournament Manager for the Hinsdale Central Holiday Classic since its inception in 2015.

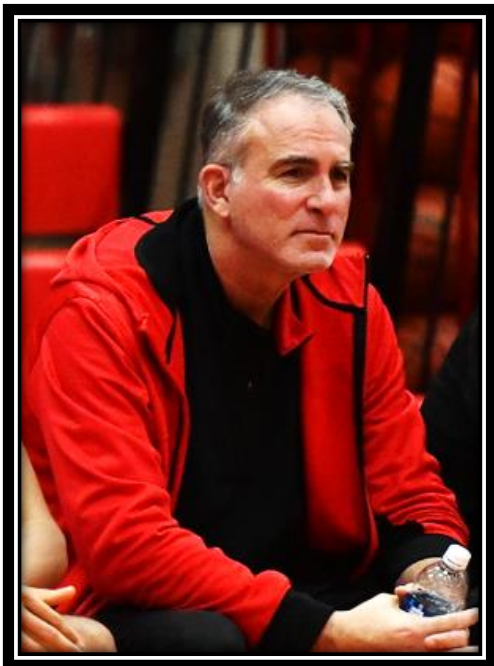
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ASSISTANT COACH BOB CURRAN



Curran is in his first season with Red Devils varsity coaching staff. Curran has enjoyed a storied coaching career, taking Thornwood High School to second place in the 2003 state tournament and finishing fourth at the state finals in 2007. In his five seasons at Thornwood, Curran's teams compiled a 103-48 win-loss record. Curran was named the first head coach in school history at Lincoln-Way North and would go on to coach at Lincoln-Way Central for twelve seasons from 2010-2022.

ASSISTANT COACH KENNY COHEN



Cohen has coached in the basketball program at Hinsdale Central for six seasons. His past coaching experiences include twelve years as a youth basketball coach in Hinsdale and Burr Ridge. Cohen played basketball at Highland Park High School where he was team captain and a first team All-Conference selection in the Central Suburban League. Coach Cohen's son Ryan played for the Red Devils from 2014-16.

COACHING STAFF

SOPHOMORE COACH BEN KALAL



A business education teacher at Hinsdale Central, Kalal is in his sixth year of coaching basketball with the Red Devils, and eleventh year of coaching the sport overall. Kalal's sophomore teams the past three seasons have won West Suburban Conference titles. Kalal played varsity basketball at Willowbrook High School and earned both All-Conference and All-Area recognition in the sport. Kalal has had experience coaching athletes from fourth grade through the varsity high school level. Kalal is married to Collette and has three children Grace, Ellie and Will.

ASSISTANT COACH JERRY AHERN



Ahern is in his second season coaching with the Red Devils sophomore team. Ahern has coached youth basketball and youth baseball – each sport for ten years. Coach Ahern's son, Danny, was a member of the Hinsdale Central varsity basketball team from 2015-2017. Coach Ahern works as a student supervisor at Hinsdale Central.

COACHING STAFF

ASSISTANT COACH RON BUETOW



Buetow is in his first year of coaching at Hinsdale Central. His past coaching experience includes eight years as a youth basketball coach in St. Charles. In addition, he is an assistant coach for the Hinsdale Central Freshmen football team and assisted in the Varsity and Youth basketball camps this past summer. Buetow is married to Flora and has three children, Kristen, Sara, and Danny.

FRESHMAN COACH COLIN DOYLE



Coach Doyle is in his ninth year of coaching basketball at Hinsdale Central High School, and his thirteenth year overall, with time spent at Naperville North High School, Nazareth Academy, Tolleson Union HS (AZ), and Plainfield North High School. He has also coached baseball (7 years) and tennis (3 years) at Hinsdale Central and other schools. Currently, Coach Doyle teaches in the Special Education department and works with the Social Studies department. Outside of work, he enjoys spending time with his wife, traveling, house projects, and movies.

COACHING STAFF

ASSISTANT COACH DAVE SCHWABE



Schwabe is in his eighth year of coaching basketball at Hinsdale Central. Schwabe previously coached basketball at Driscoll Catholic before coming to Hinsdale. Schwabe was the head baseball coach at Fenton High School for 10 years and guided the Bison to the school's first IHSA Regional championship in 2021. Schwabe currently is an assistant baseball coach at Hinsdale Central.

ASSISTANT COACH JOHN CHAPMAN



Chapman is a substitute teacher and test proctor in District 86. This marks his seventh year of coaching basketball at Hinsdale Central and eleventh year overall coaching the sport. Chapman graduated from Marquette and has coached in the Marquette University basketball camps in Milwaukee. Chapman has also coached baseball at Hinsdale Central for eight seasons. Chapman's children, Jane, Ann, and Ben are Hinsdale Central graduates. Chapman is a former Hoops For Life Free Throw champion and a winner of the Minnesota Water Tubing championship.

TEAM HINSDALE



Michael Jezioro
Athletic Director



Wanda Swik
Administrative Assistant



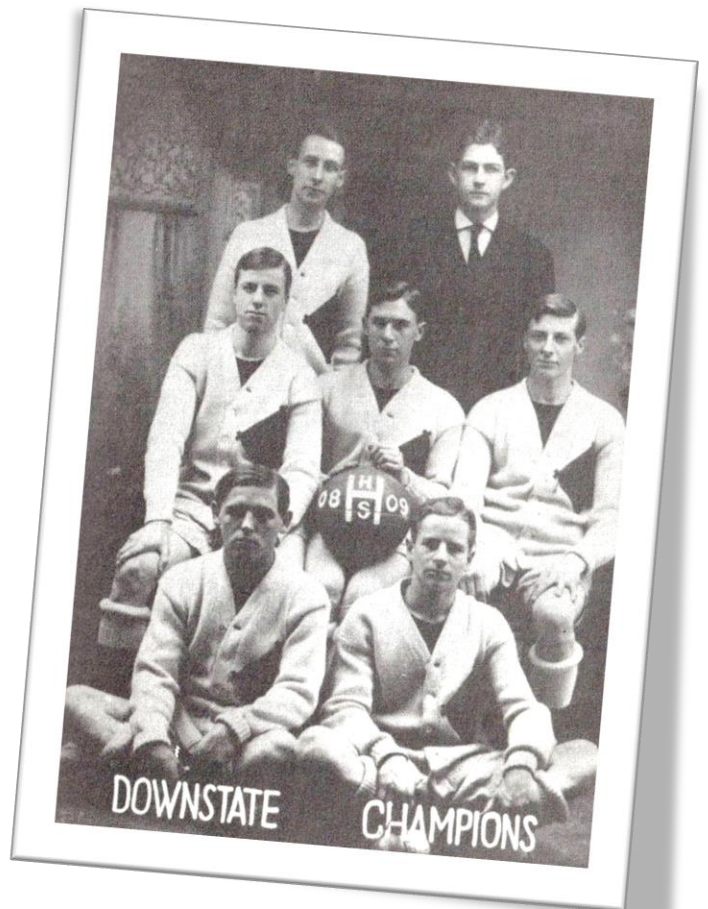
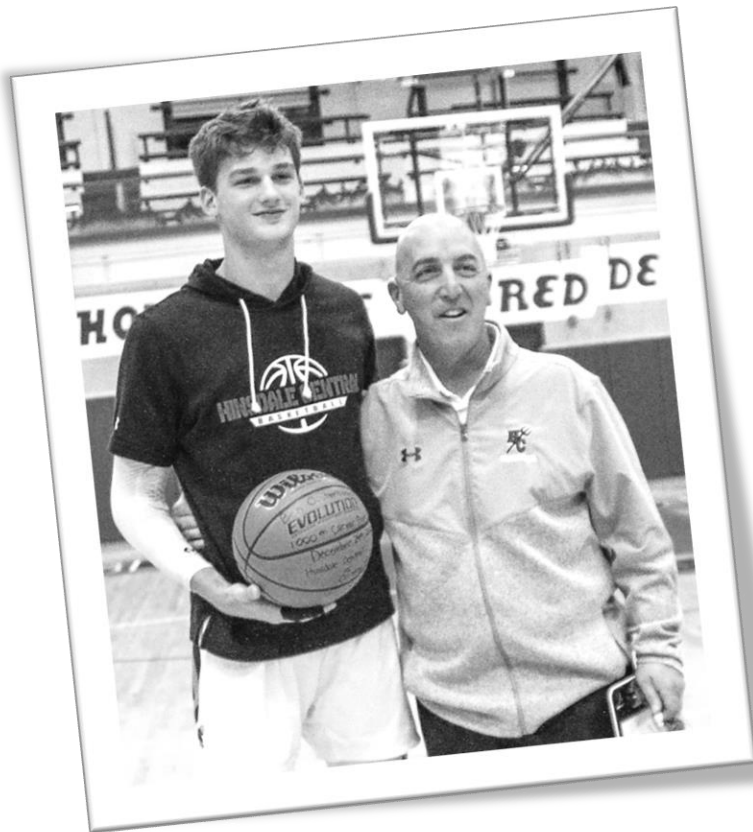
Brad Warble
Equipment Director



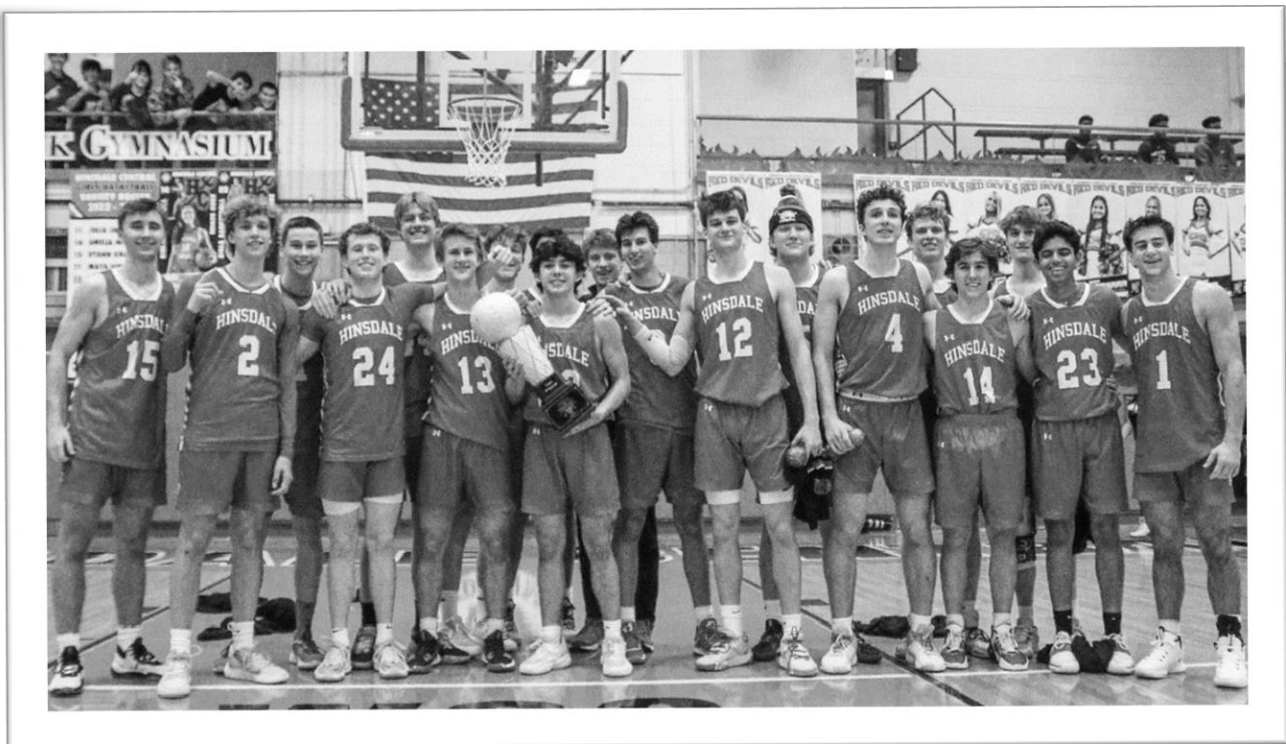
Marv Breig
Team Historian



Samantha Bell
Athletic Trainer



RECORDS & HISTORY



THE RECORD BOOK

POINTS IN A CAREER

1632	Brian Wardle	1994-1997
1564	Matt Rafferty	2012-2015
1394	Ben Oosterbaan	2020-2023
1236	Parker Wellington	1964-1967
1093	Robert Haarlow	1959-1962
973	Scott Hadley	1974-1977
905	Chris Chana	2005-2008
888	Chuck Fritz	1971-1974
872	Brian Cuttica	1997-2000
860	Joe Nehls	1974-1976
860	Ryan Isaacson	2017-2020

REBOUNDS IN A CAREER

975	Matt Rafferty	2012-2015
668	Brian Wardle	1994-1997
604	Dave Smith	1970-1972
522	G.J. King	1998-2001
485	Blake Saunders	2005-2007
464	Ben Oosterbaan	2020-2023
431	Vince Macciocchi	1982-1984
414	Todd Landis	1978-1980
364	Marco Millincic	1994-1996
354	Chase Collignon	2021-2023

ASSISTS IN A CAREER

361	Chuck Fritz	1971-1974
319	Brian Wardle	1994-1997
306	Brian Cuttica	1997-2000
245	Kevin Mullen	2005-2007
245	Matt Rafferty	2012-2015
241	Rick Bouchard	1974-1976
230	Mike Grigaliunas	1982-1984
221	Brian Owens	2010-2013
209	Trevor Hamilton	2015-2018
206	Larry Coffey	1978-1980
194	Chris Chana	2005-2008

STEALS IN A CAREER

164	Matt Rafferty	2012-2015
125	Ben Oosterbaan	2020-2023
119	Chase Hamilton	2012-2014
114	Brian Wardle	1994-1997
114	John Whitelaw	2007-2009
104	Brian Cuttica	1997-2000
99	Tom Garvin	2010-2012
97	Kevin Cuttica	1995-1997
94	Ashonte Burnette	1989-1991
91	Steve Callahan	1998-2000

BLOCKED SHOTS IN A CAREER

170	Matt Rafferty	2012-2015
122	Ryan Isaacson	2017-2020
91	Brian Wardle	1994-1997
87	Sumant Bhat	1997-1999
71	Blake Saunders	2005-2007
63	Peter Blust	2014-2016
60	James Hudson	2003-2005
59	Todd Schaefer	1994-1996
56	G.J. King	1998-2001
54	Ben Oosterbaan	2020-2023

THE RECORD BOOK

POINTS IN A SEASON

707	Ben Oosterbaan	2022-2023
683	Brian Wardle	1996-1997
607	Joe Nehls	1975-1976
586	Steve Shockey	1981-1982
571	Scott Handley	1976-1977
560	Ryan Isaacson	2019-2020
550	Brian Wardle	1995-1996
543	Matt Rafferty	2013-2014
531	Kevin Cuttica	1996-1997
521	John Myers	1974-1975

REBOUNDS IN A SEASON

345	Dave Smith	1971-1972
344	Matt Rafferty	2013-2014
332	Brian Wardle	1996-1997
278	Blake Saunders	2006-2007
265	Matt Rafferty	2012-2013
259	Dave Smith	1970-1971
259	G.J. King	2000-2001
256	Mike Brennan	1976-1977
248	Matt Rafferty	2014-2015
248	Dan Keenan	1985-1986

ASSISTS IN A SEASON

241	Rick Bouchard	1975-1976
164	Doug Whitley	1985-1986
163	Tom Flynn	1974-1975
126	Kevin Mullen	2005-2006
123	Mike Grigaliunas	1982-1983
119	Kevin Mullen	2005-2006
119	Brian Wardle	1995-1996
118	Mark Schaefer	1997-1998
117	Brian Cuttica	1998-1999
116	Kevin Ryan	1990-1991

STEALS IN A SEASON

68	Terry Brennan	2009-2010
64	Ashonte Burnette	1990-1991
62	Kevin Cuttica	1996-1997
60	Matt Rafferty	2013-2014
60	Ben Oosterbaan	2022-2023
58	John Whitelaw	2008-2009
56	Van Yuetter	1982-1983
56	John Whitelaw	2007-2008
56	Chase Hamilton	2013-2014
55	Doug Whitney	1985-1986

BLOCKED SHOTS IN A SEASON

85	Sumant Bhat	1998-1999
81	Ryan Isaacson	2019-2020
69	Brian Wardle	1996-1997
54	Matt Rafferty	2012-2013
48	Blake Saunders	2006-2007
47	James Hudson	2004-2005
43	Matt Rafferty	2013-2014
42	Todd Schaefer	1995-1996
41	Matt Rafferty	2014-2015
41	Peter Blust	2015-2016

RED DEVIL ALUMNI



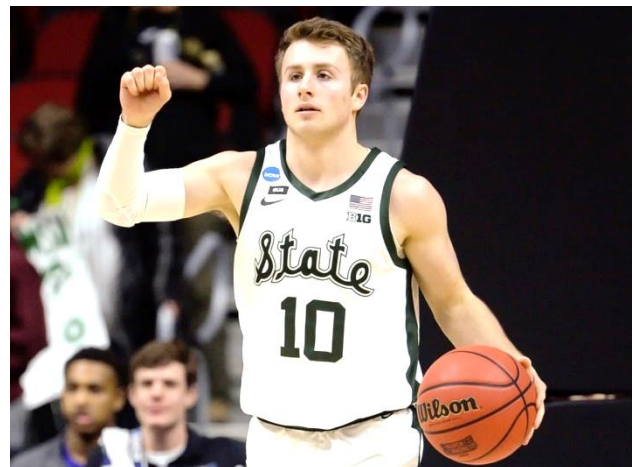
Matas Buzelis – Chicago Bulls



Sam Hoiberg – Nebraska



Matt Rafferty – Furman



Jack Hoiberg – Michigan State



Brian Wardle – Marquette



George Kiernan – Navy

RED DEVIL ALUMNI

Former Hinsdale Central players who later went on to play basketball in college

2023	Chase Collignon	Carnegie Melon
2023	Ben Oosterbaan	Saint Thomas (MN)
2022	Jake Quast	Wisconsin-Whitewater
2021	Quinn Cain	Tufts University
2020	Ryan Isaacson	Merrimack
2019	Sam Hoiberg	Nebraska
2018	Trevor Hamilton	Loras
2017	Jack Hoiberg	Michigan State
2015	Jordan Bradshaw	Augustana
2015	George Kiernan	Navy
2015	Matt Rafferty	Furman
2012	Brad Anlauf	Michigan
2007	Marko Marinkovich	Central Iowa
2007	Kevin Mullen	Saint Ambrose
2007	Blake Saunders	Ashland College
2007	Drew Wills	DePauw
2006	Nick Coffey	William Penn
2005	James Hudson	Illinois Benedictine
2003	Matt Bogue	Lewis
2003	Eddy Donnelly	Loras
2003	Mark Stennis	Olivet Nazarene
2002	Pat Cuttica	Dartmouth
2002	Steve Schweer	Illinois Wesleyan
2001	G.J. King	Brown University
2001	Paul Wolfert	Louisiana State
2000	Steve Callahan	Lehigh
2000	Reed Schaeffer	Lakeland College
1999	Sumant Bhat	Williams College
1997	Kevin Cuttica	Cornell University
1997	Bobby Steiner	DePauw
1997	Brian Wardle	Marquette
1996	Marco Milincic	Lewis
1984	Vince Macciocchi	Eastern Illinois
1976	Joe Nehls	Arizona
1972	Jim Flynn	Denver
1962	Bob Haarlow	Princeton
1960	Marty Riessen	Northwestern
1959	Bill Haarlow	Princeton

HINSDALE HOOP ALUMNI FAST FACTS

- *Matas Buzelis was selected with the eleventh overall pick of the 2024 NBA Draft by the Chicago Bulls. Matas only played at Hinsdale Central during his freshman year, before playing at Brewster Academy in New Hampshire, Sunrise Christian Academy in Kansas, and the NBA G-League.*
- *Brian Wardle became the third all-time leading scorer for Marquette University. Brian is currently the head basketball coach at Bradley University.*
- *Bob Haarlow was an All-State athlete in both basketball and football. Bob was starter on the Tigers basketball team at Princeton University, whose team advanced to the 1965 NCAA Final Four.*
- *Marty Riessen was Hinsdale Central basketball MVP in 1959 and 1960. He won four straight IHSA tennis singles state championships, before playing both sports at Northwestern. Riessen would later win nine grand slam championships in tennis, including two Wimbledon mixed doubles titles.*
- *Joe Nehls was the first Hinsdale Central basketball player inducted into the Illinois Basketball Museum Hall of Fame. He won multiple All-Conference awards in the Pac-10 while playing for the University of Arizona.*
- *At Furman University, Matt Rafferty led his team in scoring and set the all-time school record for steals. In his four years with the Paladins, he would win more games than any other player in the history of the program.*
- *Jim Flynn still holds the school record for points in a game with his 50-point performance back in 1972.*

HINSDALE HOOP TRADITION

IHSA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS: 1909

IHSA STATE FINAL APPEARANCES: 1908, 1909, 1910, 1951, 1972, 1996, 1997

IHSA SECTIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS: 1951, 1972, 1996, 1997

IHSA REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS: 1951, 1956, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1962, 1972, 1973, 1975, 1976, 1996, 1997, 2006, 2007, 2014, 2015, 2023

WEST SUBURBAN CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS: 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1934, 1935, 1943, 1949, 1956, 1959, 1960, 1972, 1984, 1996, 1997, 2000, 2013, 2014, 2023

HINSDALE CENTRAL HOLIDAY CLASSIC CHAMPIONSHIPS: 2022

THIRTY-WIN SEASONS: 2023

TWENTY-WIN SEASONS: 1909, 1935, 1959, 1962, 1972, 1975, 1996, 1997, 2000, 2014, 2015

ALL-STATE PLAYERS: Chuck Kettering, 1949; Bob Haarlow, 1962; Jim Flynn, 1972; Brian Wardle, 1996, 1997; Matt Rafferty, 2015; Ben Oosterbaan, 2023

