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Dynasties: Will Providence, Benilde-SM reign again?

By Bruce Strand

Two Minnesota powers will try to extend remarkable dynasties this winter. Providence Academy has won four consecutive Class 2A championships while Benilde-St. Margaret's has three straight in Class 3A.

GIRLS BASKETBALL PREVIEW

Hopkins, reigning Class 4A champion, is a good bet to capture the program's 11th title. West Central Area, a first-time state champ in 1A last year, with a senior lineup, is a longshot.

Providence Academy has reached the state championship game all five seasons superstar Maddyn Greenway has been in the lineup, losing to Albany in 2021, then beating Fergus Falls, Albany twice and Crosby-Ironton in finals since then.

Greenway averaged 32.8 points. Also back are junior Emma Millerbernd (14 ppg) and freshman Beckett Greenway (12.2 ppg). The last of the three tall Counts sisters, Hope, a Miss Basketball finalist, graduated.

Asked about his team's chances this year, coach Connor Goetz said, "I think any time you have the best player in the state on your team you have a pretty good shot at winning it all.

"That being said, I think we have a lot of really talented pieces returning and young girls ready to prove them-



Maddyn Greenway, coach Connor Goetz and Providence Academy are going for five in a row in Class 2A.

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selves, too. We'll look different than years past without a Counts sister, but we'll still compete hard."

The Lions were the state's best team overall last year (32-0) with a win over Hopkins in the regular season."We know we're the measuring stick for a lot of teams in the state, and they want to give us their best game. That just fuels us to keep working harder," Goetz said.

Benilde-St. Margaret's, which has beaten Stewartville, DeLaSalle and Marshall in the past three state title games, graduated two Division I players — Sahara Bishop (Seton Hall) and Kendall McGee (Creighton) — and a third starter, Kate Kapsner.

Mathiowetz, SESM aim high again

By Bruce Strand

Sleepy Eye St. Marys, during the Mathiowetz era, has come close to girls state titles twice, once with Madison and once with Morgan. The Knights still have a good two-year window with Morgan entering her final two seasons with a strong supporting cast.

The Knights — installed at No. 1 in the Class 1A coaches association rankings at the outset of this season — were 30-2 last year before losing to MACCRAY 65-61 in the semifinals and Goodhue 68-61 in the third-place game, finishing 30-4. They won close games over BOLD 57-54 in the section finals and Sacred Heart 65-61 at state.

“We do know that the rankings to start a season don’t mean too much,” said Bruce Woitas (37th season, 562-365 record). “What we have back it is nice, and we do have high expectations for our season this year also.”

Morgan Mathiowetz, 5-foot-8 guard, averaged 33.6 points, 7.9 rebounds, 5.6 steals and 4.8 assists last year, sinking 107 three’s at a 45 percent clip. She scored 28.9 ppg as a freshman on a 21-8 team.

Also back from the state tournament lineup are 5-9 sophomore guard Olivia Schieffert, who averaged 13.9 points, six rebounds and 5.4 assists, 5-6 senior guard Natalie Fischer (9.4 ppg) and 5-8 junior guard Brynne Iverson (8.7 ppg). The fifth starter is Sydney Tauer, with Taylor Mathiowetz, Kiara Murphy and 5-foot-11 eighth-grader Audra



Morgan Mathiowetz leads No. 1 ranked Sleepy Eye St. Mary's.

Travis Rosenau, *New Ulm Journal*

Hoffman as top subs. Kylie Pelzel will be No. 6 when cleared to play, dealing with a knee injury.

Mathiowetz tallied 90 points in the state tournament, raising her career total to 2,519, which is not the school record or even the family record, at least for now. Madison Mathiowetz tallied 3,762 points.

Madison is a senior at South Dakota State, averaging 11 points in her career and helped the Jackrabbits post an 86-16 record and reach three NCAA tournaments. In Madison’s junior year, the Knights were 23-0 before losing 51-50 to Belgrade-Brooten-Elrosa in the state semifinals. They reached section finals her 10th and 12th grade years.

The Knights play in the Tomahawk Conference, battling Sleepy Eye Public and Buffalo Lake-Hector-Stewart for the lead. They’ve beefed up the schedule adding St. James and St. Peter. In Section 2A, NRHEG is a new foe, moving down to 1A after going to state in 2A last year.

Dynasties: 11th for Hopkins?

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Top returning players are juniors Pre-sley Watkins (15 ppg) and Sydney Friedly (10.5 ppg) and they added transfer Liv Bell, a thousand-pointer for two other schools.

“We have a lot of youth in our program that are looking to make their mark,” said coach Tim Ellefson. “To win another state championship would be an amazing accomplishment, and many things would have to go our way.”

Their section, 6AAA, is the toughest in the state every year, Ellefson said. The Red Knights beat Delano (22-6) and Orono (25-4) in the section last year.

“Our team will do everything in their power to be the best we can be by the end of the season,” Ellefson said. “I will say this, I wouldn’t trade my team for any other group in Minnesota.”

Hopkins, coached by Tara Starks, graduated four players with a combined 39 points per game, headed by Lauren Hillesheim, now with UND.

But the Royals never seem to run out of talent. Nine other players contributed over 50 points per game. Erma Walker, powerful 6-foot-1 junior who averaged 13.6 points and 7.7 rebounds, is one of the state’s elite players. A strong junior class, headed by speedy Jaliaya Diggs (11 ppg), and a deep sophomore class is ready to break out.

Providence Academy already has the longest streak of titles, four, in state history. Benilde-St. Margaret’s, Hopkins, and DeLaSalle are tied with streaks of three in a row.

TOP 50 PLAYERS EACH CLASS

CLASS 1A

Ada-Borup West — Morgan Engel (sr)
Alden-Conger-Glenville-Emmons — Macy Mattson (sr)
Battle Lake — Kennady Cameron (sr)
Belgrade-Brooten-Elrosa — Kacey Fischer (sr)
Braham — Morgan Rysdam (jr)
Breckenridge — Parker Yaggie (sr)
Buffalo Lake-Hector-Stewart — Lily Hubin (sr)
Canby — Brynn Kockelman (sr)
Cedar Mountain — Aubrey Steffl (jr)
Central MN Christian — Sienna Duininck (sr), Carrie Mulder (sr)
Chisholm — Avaya Dobis-Fontaine (so)
Climax-Fisher — Peyton Hoffman (so)
Community Christian — Margo Klaasen (sr)
Deer River — Tatum Morrison (so)
Floodwood — Kenzie Kaminski (sr)
Fosston — Lexi Mahlen (sr)
Hillcrest Lutheran — Ella Knutson (sr), Elsa Retzlaff (so)
Kelliher-Northome — Kylee Binkley (sr), Kathryn Thayer (sr), Alli Lundin (sr)
Kittson County Central — Greta Kuznia (sr), Kadence White (sr)
Lanesboro — Jensyn Storhoff (sr)
MACCRAY — Brielle Janssen (sr), Emma Thein (sr)
Mayer Lutheran — Claire Keaveny (sr), Izabelle Keaveny (sr)
Minneota — Jaylyn Coquoyt (jr)
Mt. Iron-Buhl — Anna Neyens (jr)
Mt. Lake-Comfrey — Julia Brinkman (sr)
New Richland-Hartland-Ellendale-Geneva — Camryn Vanmaldeghem (sr), Quinn Vanmaldeghem (sr)
New York Mills — Annika Dunrud (sr)
Ogilvie — Kadence Pierce (sr)
Park Christian — Libby Suckert (sr)
Sacred Heart — Lexi Lawrence (jr), Lydia Risky (jr)
Sleepy Eye St. Mary's — Morgan Mathiowetz (jr), Natalie Fischer (sr), Olivia Schieffert (so)
Southland — Breeley Galle (sr)
Spring Grove — Kinley Soiney (sr)
Swanville — Addison Hudala (so)
United South Central — Olivia Bungum (jr)
West Lutheran — Marissa Tusler (sr)
Westbrook-Walnut Grove — Leah Carter (sr)
Yellow Medicine East — Bailey Mortenson (so)

CLASS 2A

Atwater-Cosmos-Grove City — Ruby Klinger (sr)
Caledonia — Aubrie Klug (sr)
Crosby-Ironton — Tori Oehrlein (sr), Sammie Hachey (sr)
Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton — Aria Garrett (sr)
Duluth Marshall — Chloe Johnson (so)
Esko — Clara Swanson (sr)
East Grand Forks — Tatem Votava (sr)
Fairmont — Brylee Miller (sr)
Frazee — Jayden Sonnenberg (sr), Brynn Larson (sr)
Glencoe-Silver Lake — Brooke Mickolich (jr)
Goodhue — Lola Christianson (jr)
Holy Family — Kallin McHolm (sr)
Jackson County Central — Zadi Farmer (fr)
Janesville-Waldorf-Pemberton — Katelyn Olson (sr)
Jordan — Morgan Staloch (sr)
Kerkhoven-Murdock-Sunburg — Acelynn Hacker (sr)
Lake Crystal-Wellcome Memorial — Clara Jeddelloh (sr)
Luverne — Taya Johnson (so)
Mesabi East — Marta Forsline (sr)
Milaca — Madison Gothman (sr)
Minnehaha Academy — Sinae Hill (sr)
Minnewaska Area — Lauren Ankeny (sr)
New London-Spicer — Ayla Caskey (sr)
Pelican Rapids — Morgan Korf (sr)
Perham — Kaia Anderson (sr)
Pipestone — Jadyn Kor (sr)
Plainview-Elgin-Millville — Alyvia Engler (sr)
Proctor — Chloe Carlson (sr)
Providence Academy — Maddyn Greenway (sr), Beckett Greenway (fr), Emma Millerbernd (jr)
Randolph — Allie Gillette (sr)
Red Wing — Izzy Guetzlaff (sr)
Rochester Lourdes — Lauren Hust (sr)
Royalton — Haylie Wolbeck (sr), Chloe Reedy (fr), Alise Schoenrock (jr)
St. Agnes — Ma'Lon McCoy (jr)
St. Clair — Brooklin Hinze (sr)
St. Croix Lutheran — Callie Oakland (sr), Amaya Penn (sr)
St. James — Journey Swanson (sr)
Sauk Centre — Elizabeth Herickhoff (sr)
Tri-City United — Ella Schmiesing (sr)
Triton — Reagan Essig (jr), Rainey Dobbs (sr)
Visitation — Kiersti Joerger (sr)
Watertown-Mayer — Lauren Grimm (sr), Harper Hokenson (jr)

TOP 50 PLAYERS EACH CLASS

CLASS 3A

Annandale — Alysen Purcell (fr)
Becker — Angie Changamire (so), Adele Changamire (fr)
Benilde-St. Margaret's — Sydney Friedly (jr), Pressley Watkins (jr), Aliva Bell (jr)
Byron — Madison Ohm (sr)
Cloquet — Lauren Hughes (sr), Nattie Butler (sr)
Cretin-Derham Hall — Madeleine Hamiel (fr), Isabella Deleeuw (fr), Sage Gilbert (sr)
Delano — Abbie Pietila (sr), Cassie Wegman (sr)
DeLaSalle — Madalyn Blaylark (sr)
Faribault — Amira Williams (jr)
Fergus Falls — Ruby Ellison (sr), Hattie Fulham (sr)
Hermantown — Bailey Hermanson (sr)
Hill-Murray — Mya Wilson (jr), Ashlee Wilson (8th), Sarah Poepard (so)
Jordan — Morgan Staloch (sr), Olivia Fynboh (sr)
Little Falls — Malin Youngberg (so)
Minneapolis Camden — Alyanna Ballard
Mahtomedi — Grace Prose (jr)
Mankato West — Olivia (Tucker) Downs (sr 1260)
Marshall — Reese Drake (sr), Taleigha Bigler (sr 1025)
Minneapolis Camden — Alyanna Ballard (jr 1046)
Minneapolis Edison — Nora Benedict (jr)
New Ulm — Brooklyn Lewis (sr)
Norhfield — Grace Mostad (sr)
Orono — Mya Moore (sr)
Princeton — Lillian Tidrick (sr), Kyleigh Noble (sr)
Red Wing — Isabella Guetzlaff (sr)
Rock Ridge — Maija Lamppa (sr), Alexa Lamppa (sr)
St. Anthony Village — Rebecca Nelson (sr)
St. Paul Como Park — Ahmani Crump (jr)
St. Paul Harding — Samia Gomez (fr)
St. Peter — Kylie Southworth (jr)
Stewartville — Audrey Shindelar (sr), Jaci Rath
Totino-Grace — Maria Radabaugh (sr)
Windom — Haidyn Sammons (sr)
Willmar — Tellie Lange (sr), Madison Molacek (jr)

CLASS 4A

Anoka — Deborah Ayeni (sr)
Andover — Logan Miller (so), Myla Evers (sr)
Bemidji — Karley Lazella (jr)
Brainerd — Addison Bjorklund (jr)
Buffalo — Brianna Eggers (so)
Centennial — Sydney Schmitz (sr)
Chanhassen — Kate Arnold (jr), Lyla Hentges (jr)
Chaska — Addie Schneider (sr)
East Ridge — Vienna Murray (sr), Taylor Klauer (sr)
Eastview — Lexie Mathews (sr), Clara Goodman (sr)
Elk River — Elsie Ostmoe (sr)
Forest Lake — Kendal Damon (sr)
Hopkins — Erma Walker (jr), Jaliyah Diggs (jr)
Lakeville North — Sahara Wilson (so)
Lakeville South — Amaya Pahl (sr)
Maple Grove — Kate Holmquist (sr), Maria Sexton (jr)
Minneapolis Washburn — Sofia Ordaz (sr), Reese Jorgenson (sr)
Minnnetonka — Lanelle Wright (sr), Le'Sedra Williams (sr), Ari Peterson (so)
Monticello — Abby Ruda (sr), Samantha Voll (sr)
Mounds View — Maddie Schneider (sr), Jaycie Helmer (8th)
New Prague — Maya Kilian (jr)
Park Center — Lyric Singleton (sr), Demi Holman (fr)
Prior Lake — Toni Fisher (jr)
Rochester Mayo — Amelia Mills (so), Mia Banks (sr), Maggie Dyer (so)
Rogers — Kinley Colligan (jr)
Rosemount — Amisha Ramhall (jr), Gianna Carpentier (jr), Ashna Ramhall (so)
Roseville Area — Maddie Sundberg (sr), Kiyannah McGriff (so)
St. Michael-Albertville — Cail Jahnke (sr)
Two Rivers — Sophia Amundson (sr)
Waconia — Addison Bryfczynski (sr)
Wayzata — Kate Amolette (sr), Megan Day (jr), Annika Klieser (jr)
Woodbury — Megan Doughty (sr)

Coaches' state polls

CLASS 4A

1. Hopkins (6)
2. Minnetonka
3. Rosemount
4. Rochester Mayo
5. Lakeville North
6. Wayzata
7. Eastview
8. Maple Grove
9. East Ridge
10. St. Michael-Albertville

Also receiving votes:

Chanhassen
Chaska

CLASS 3A

1. Benilde-St. Margaret's (5)
2. Orono
3. Marshall
4. Hill-Murray
5. Cretin-Derham Hall
6. DeLaSalle
7. Stewartville
8. Becker
9. Delano
10. Byron

Also receiving votes:

Totino-Grace
Rock Ridge

CLASS 2A

1. Providence Academy (5)
2. Minnehaha Academy
3. Crosby-Ironton
4. Goodhue
5. Duluth Marshall
6. Proctor
7. Rochester Lourdes
8. Minnewaska Area
9. Royalton
10. New London-Spicer

Also receiving votes:

Caledonia
Pelican Rapids
Sauk Centre

CLASS 1A

1. Sleepy Eye St. Mary's (3)
2. Mountain Iron-Buhl (1)
3. MACCRAY (1)
4. Kelliher-Northome
5. Sacred Heart
6. Hillcrest Lutheran
7. Braham
8. Hills-Beaver Creek
9. New Richland-Hartland-
Ellendale-Geneva
10. Mayer Lutheran

Also receiving votes:

Central MN Christian
Hayfield/Schaefer Academy
Belgrade-Brooten-Elrosa

Hopkins ends Providence win streak

In a duel of No. 1 teams, Hopkins fended off a furious rally by Providence Academy 78-74 on Saturday at a Tip-Off Classic at Southwest Christian.

Hopkins halted a 38-game win streak by Providence Academy that included a win over Hopkins last season when both were state champions.

Hopkins led 47-32 at the half. The Lions got within one basket but the Royals held on. Jaliyah Diggs sank 23 points for the Royals, with Ava Cupito adding 13, Mariana Davis 12, Lanaia Durant 11 and Erma Walker 10.

Maddyn Greenway powered the Lions with 35 points, nine rebounds and six assists. Emma Millerbernd tallied 15 points, Beckett Greenway 12 and Lexie Nicolai 10 points and 11 rebounds.

Tonka trips Rangers

Also at the Tip-Off, Minnetonka, No. 2 in Class 4A, won 84-67 over Crosby-Ironton, No. 3 in Class 2A. The Skippers made 20 steals from the Rangers and turned many of those into layups. Lanelle Wright led with 14 points and 10 assists. Lesedra Williams sank 17 points, Izzy Austin 13, and Ariana Peterson and Tate Addler 11 each. Gophers recruit Tori Oehrlein logged 31 points and 15 rebounds for the Rangers.

-- Bruce Strand

A New Era Begins: After Ron Haggstrom and Kevin Anderson

Jeff McCarron, Publisher

This is a bittersweet time at Minnesota Basketball News.

I am so happy for Ron Haggstrom and Kevin Anderson that they are able to retire - but what a void they leave behind for the rest of us to fill.

Ron and Kevin did much of the work behind the scenes to rank Minnesota's high school teams over the past 25 years. They listed Top 100 players and helped us invite the top four teams in each class to the Pacesetter Sweet 16. Ron was the over-all editor of Minnesota Basketball News for many years, and Kevin was the girls' editor.

I'm thrilled to put their names in the headlines because there may not be two greater contributors to Minnesota basketball in the last 2-3 decades - who more strongly prefer to stay in the shadows.

Many of the great ones in sports journalism just love what they do and do it quietly. Ron moved on to the Star-Tribune from MBBN and was a leading sports reporter there, but he always lent his time to Pacesetter and MBBN whenever needed. You just don't find two more dedicated people than Ron and Kevin. Irreplaceable. Thank you!

Bruce Strand, another quiet Hall of Famer, who keeps writing and taking photos for MBBN, has created Top 50 Player Lists for both boys and girls. We know there may be players overlooked, so we have asked head coaches to help us create a Watch List, and we are asking them to rate players by their "college potential":

- 1 Should start D-1
- 2 Should start D-2, could play some D-1
- 3 Should start D-3, could play some D-2
- 4 Should start community college, could play D-3
- 5 Could play some community college

We started by asking coaches to write in the names of players, their school, their grade, etc. That's too much to ask busy head coaches, so we are going to change the survey by listing the players and only asking for the ratings 1-2-3-4 or 5 for players they feel comfortable rating.

We will be sending out those surveys in January and publishing Coaches' Top 50 Players Lists in February.

NEW Top 10 Rankings

Thank you to the girls' and boys' coaches associations for providing the Coaches' Top 10's for each class.

It is always exciting to see which teams are ranked and watch the rankings change each week as the teams play.

Notes

Hats off to **Providence Academy** for their 4-year state championship record streak and good luck on their run for a 5-PEAT. I was really hoping **Maddy Greenway** would join **Tori Oerlein** to play for our homestate Gophers. I'll have to do what I did for Paige Bueckers and watch her game highlights on You Tube. Good luck to both of you for your senior year - a special time in your lives. We hope to see you at state again if not sooner.

I was very impressed by the **Rosemount girls** this summer at our Pacesetter Sweet 16. It will take a very strong team to beat them. I see they are ranked behind perennial powers Hopkins and Minnetonka in 4A.

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| | 1.5 hours | \$70/player | \$85/player |
| | 2 hours | \$85/player | \$105/player |
| | 2.5 hours | \$100/player | \$125/player |
| | 3 hours | \$115/player | \$145/player |
| | 4 hours | \$145/player | \$185/player |
| | 6 hours | \$205/player | \$265/player |

Sign up soon! Directors' dates fill up quickly!

Choose any dates: **May 26 - Aug. 6**
 Camps preferably should be:
Mon-Thurs, Mon-Wed or Tues-Thurs.

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BOOK YOUR 2026 SUMMER CAMP SOON!
 (Book by April 15 to receive registration discounts)

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 2-time state
 champion
 player

John Carlson
 3-time state
 champion
 coach

AREA CAMP OPTIONS

Select one of these popular choices or create your own:

Prices per player

| A. All-School Program | Boys & Girls | 3 days | 4 days |
|-----------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. | Girls Grades 9-12 | \$85 | \$105 |
| 10:00 - 12:00 noon | Girls Grades 5-8 | \$85 | \$105 |
| 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. | Boys Grades 5-8 | \$85 | \$105 |
| 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. | Boys Grades 9-12 | \$85 | \$105 |

| B. Single-gender Program | Boys or Girls | 3 days | 4 days |
|--------------------------|---------------|--------|--------|
| 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. | Grades 9-12 | \$115 | \$145 |
| 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. | Grades 5-8 | \$115 | \$145 |

| C. "Young Stars" Program | Boys & Girls | 3 days | 4 days |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------|--------|
| 8:00 - 9:30 a.m. | Grades 3-4 | \$70 | \$85 |
| 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. | Grades 5-6 | \$70 | \$85 |
| 11:00 - 12:00 noon | Grades 1-2 | \$55 | \$65 |
| 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. | Grades 7-8 | \$115 | \$145 |

| D. Pacesetter Varsity Intensive Training | 3 or 4 days |
|--|-------------|
| 9:00 - 12:00 noon & 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. daily | |
| 3 days • 18 hours | \$205/week |
| 4 days • 24 hours | \$265/week |

E. Create your own (fees listed to left)
 Camp format should involve five or more hours/day to attract top directors.

- Area Camps:**
- Great Directors
 - Directors coach 100% of camp
 - Low-cost options most families can afford
 - Flexible hours/grades - customize the schedule to fit your needs
 - Close camp or open to all area players
 - Ideal for players of all ages
 - 3-day or 4-day camp options

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