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PANORAMA BOYS TRACK READY TO HIT THE BLOCKS IN 2026



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Back row: Aden Rochholz, Reed Draper, Brayden Bahrenfuss, Devonne Bell, Hunter Kempf, Corbin Deardorff, Court Vogel, Cruz Stanley, Connor Deardorff, Adrian Leone and Cruz Crandall. Front row: Chris Hayden, Bladyn Wearmouth, Graysen Shaffer, Zach Hayden, Kyle Lestina, Jorge Gimeno-Perez, Cristian Monrroy-Nunez, Syler Shaffer and Blake Schwartz.

The Panthers have a roster that is ready to fill events and improve on 2025.

BY CYOTE WILLIAMS

Last season, the Panorama boys track and field team qualified one athlete for the state meet: junior Syler Shaffer in the 400-meter hurdles. Hopes for the team were higher than one state qualifier at the beginning of the season after returning several

state qualifiers from two seasons ago.

“It’s always the goal to get multiple events down there but qualify at least one so you can get down there and witness that and have your kids be a part of something pretty unique,” Head Coach Bruce Dahlhauser said.

Outside of the state meet, Dahlhauser was pleased with how

his squad performed in the 2025 season.

“We had a good performance in every event, relays and field events. We’re scoring points. The best part of all that is a lot of those guys are back,” Dahlhauser said.

He is right about that. Panorama graduated six seniors: Reilan Boecker, Connor Love, Jaysen Stagg, Gage Thorn, Gabe Wagner and Noah Poldberg. Poldberg and Wagner were previous state qualifiers as well. Replacing them will be tough, but Dahlhauser believes his team has the capabilities to do so.

The senior class this year is comprised of Zach Hayden, Cristian Monrroy-Nunez, Aden Rochholz, Blake Schwartz and Shaffer. It is a small group but one filled with potential.

Shaffer, the team’s only returning state qualifier, is one Dahlhauser says they can count on to score points in the hurdle events.

Monrroy-Nunez will throw in the shot put and discus, something he has already committed to doing at the next level at the University of Dubuque.

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effective pieces in distance events with Hayden being an athlete who Dahlhauser expects to take a big leap in his final year. Schwartz is coming off of a state-qualifying wrestling season, proving to be a solid athlete for the team.

Juniors are light in numbers this year but come with solid athletes: Cruz Crandall, Hunter Kempf and Kyle Lestina.

Kempf ran at the state meet as part of a solid sprint medley team.

Crandall is expected to have an impact in the field events including long jump.

Lestina is new to the team this season, but Dahlhauser likes what he has seen out of him in early-season practices so far.

The sophomore class is deep. It includes Bennett Allen, Braden Bahrenfuss, Devonne Bell, Corbin Deardorff, Connor Deardorff, Adrian

Leone, Cruz Stanley, Court Vogel and Bladyn Wearmouth. Each of them will have an impact across various events. Dahlhauser pointed to Bahrenfuss as one he envisions excelling this season in sprinting events.

Freshmen this season are Jorge Gimeno-Perez, Alberto Muniz, Caleb Prescott and Graysen Shaffer.

With the team returning its only state qualifier from last season, and several qualifiers from two seasons ago still on the team and ready to compete, there is a chance that Panorama increases its state-qualifying number and improves on its score from the always competitive West Central Activities Conference meet.

Overall, though, Dahlhauser keeps the mood light. He wants his team to focus on enjoying themselves and

improving at the same time.

“I just want to have fun, and I want our guys to have fun. I want to embrace each other and this grind that is track. If we go out to the first meet and we only score 15 points, the goal now is to get more than that. And each week just working our way up the team standings a little bit. When it comes to the end of the year, the ultimate goal is to get things to state. It’s hard to put a number on how much we want to get there. We always shoot for a couple of individuals and a couple of relays,” Dahlhauser said. ■



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- 3/9..... Boys A.D. Dickinson Relays at UNI-Dome
- 3/21... BVU HS Indoor Coed Meet No. 2 at Buena Vista University
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ACGC BOYS TRACK RELOADS AFTER HISTORIC SEASON



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Back row: Gavin Steensen, Talon Noland, Aaron Langgaard, Preston Kent, Keegan Gettler, Creighton Suhr, Cayden Akers, Lane Stringer, Carson Lovelace, Hudson Gilland, Andrew Baumert, Reece Emgarten, Brandon Carlson and Ryan Martens. Middle row: Will Skram, Coy Gruber, Brayden McCormick, Morgun Nolte, Nathan Van Effen, Cameron Mozingo, Garrett Lemke, Jonny Kading, Jameson Pfrang, Dayton Crawley, Bryce Benda and Cole Van Meter. Front row: Thomas Skram, Collin Stringham, Angel Martinez, Max Trujillo-Garcia, Kade Sorensen, Brexton Schneider, Joe Crawford, Jack Sheeder, Xander Harwood, Brenna Tunink and Luke Brincks.

The Chargers have a new head coach and several returning state qualifiers for the 2026 season.

BY CYOTE WILLIAMS

The ACGC boys track and field team is fresh off of an incredibly successful season. The Chargers were runners-up at the state track and field meet, scoring 44 total points. The team had one gold medal in the 4x110-meter shuttle hurdle, an individual silver medal, and three bronze medals, as well as eight total top-10 placements at the most important meet of the season.

Jacob Lacey takes over head coaching duties from Cody Matthewson. Lacey has

been a long-time assistant on the boys team, and has been the ACGC girls head coach for several seasons now, giving him plenty of experience with the athletes, and leading a black and gold squad.

"I thought the run was really awesome. It exceeded expectations. We did win the ITC indoor last year, but even then, you don't necessarily have that thinking that you're gonna go out and get a second place at the state meet," Lacey said. "Kudos to the boys for stepping up and just going out and competing and doing what they're capable of doing. That's re-

ally what you want at the end of the season. They work all year long and do those meets and all those practices and that work paid off. It was really awesome to see that."

State qualifiers last season were Brexton Schneider and Tate Fever in the 110-meter hurdles, Eli Madsen in the 400-meter run, Fever in the 400-meter hurdles, Mike Fuller in the discus and shot put, Joe Crawford, Schneider, Luke Brincks and Madsen in the 800-meter sprint medley, Crawford, Schneider, Brincks and Madsen in the 4x100, Crawford, Thomas Skram, Brincks and Dean Vela in the 4x200, Morgun Nolte, Fever, Skram and Schneider in the 4x110-meter shuttle hurdle and Brincks, Vela, Fever and Madsen in the 4x400-meter.

That's a long list of qualifiers, and a good few of them return to the team this

season. The senior class is Brincks, Crawford, Xander Harwood, Angel Martinez, Schneider, Jack Sheeder, Skram, Kade Sorensen, Collin Stringham, Max Trujillo-Garcia and Brennan Tunink

Brincks, Crawford, Schneider and Skram return as state-qualifiers from a season ago. Lacey is hoping that Stringham can be the replacement piece in last season's gold medal shuttle hurdle relay. Crawford will lead the team in the short sprints as well as in relays. Brincks will have a similar role and run in the 200 and 400-meter runs. Sheeder will be the Chargers' main thrower in the shot put and discus.

Juniors are Brandon Carlson, Jonny Kading, Preston Kent, Garrett Lemke, Carson Lovelace, Cameron Mozingo, Nolte, Jameson Pfrang, Nathan Van Effen and Cole Van Meter.

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Nolte returns as a state qualifier. Even with state qualifying performances from a year ago, Lacey expects Nolte to take another leap this season. Kent will continue to lead the team in the distance runs after another successful cross-country campaign.

The sophomore class this season consists of Cayden Akers, Stetson Ellis, Hudson Gilland, Ryan Martens, Brayden McCormick, Talon Noland and Lane Stringer.

Lacey pointed to Martens, who will be the team’s long jumper this season. He believes Martens can reach 20 feet by the end of the season after leaping 18 at the ITC Indoor Championships.

There is a crowd of freshmen joining the team as well: Andrew Baumert, Bryce Benda, Dayton Crawley, Reece Emgarten, Coy Gruber, Aaron Langgaard, William Skram and Gavin Steensen.

With a large roster that includes plenty of upperclassmen, Lacey isn’t sure how much his younger athletes will be able to contribute, but is still excited to see how they can progress throughout the season.

“We have some younger sprinters; they might not be doing a whole lot right out of the gate, but we definitely want to develop them and bring them along. Hopefully, in the next couple of years, it’s them in these spots that these older guys are in right now,” Lacey said.

ACGC is losing some of its firepower from its incredible 2025 season, but with several returning state qualifiers and a roster full of talent, another successful season could be on the horizon.

“It’d be great to get back to something like that, and it’s not necessarily outside of the realm of possibilities to be a top-three team, but we’re gonna have to pick

up some stuff somewhere. I think with what we lost, replacing those kids will be tough. Some of our best four guys are gone,” Lacey said. “I think we have to pick up some stuff in our distance and mid-distance distance events. It’s just a next man up mentality. We got to have some guys step up and show what they can do.”

With the large roster, Lacey says his squad has the chance to compete in more events, giving ACGC fans more to watch. The boys also have four home meets this season and will be able to show their stuff in front of their faithful fans. ■



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- 3/13... 2026 IATC Indoor Championships Boys
- 3/31... Earlham Early Bird at Earlham High School
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- 4/20... Ram Relays at Greene County at 4:30 p.m.
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PANORAMA GIRLS TRACK FULL OF YOUNG TALENT FOR 2026



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Back row: Malia Jacobsen, Corrie Knapp, Olivia Beaudet, Kylie Rochholz, Leah Carstens and Emma Walker. Middle row: Nella Rivas, Laicey Lutz, Jacey Glade, Addy Wagner and Libby Miller. Front row: Ella Carico and Mary Fett. Not pictured: Manager Grace Tripple.

The Panthers are young but prepared to shine this season.

BY CYOTE WILLIAMS

Panorama girls track and field head coach, Greg Thompson, has been leading the Panthers since 1998. In those 28 years, the girls team has been to the state meet countless times, won numerous meets and produced many memories. Last season was no different for Thompson and his squad. Panorama qualified for three events: the 1,500 and 3,000-meter runs and the 1,600-meter sprint medley.

Kylie Rochholz qualified as an individual in the distance runs and was part of the distance medley squad. She

will be the only returning athlete who qualified for state last season. Thompson was hoping the girls would have qualified a thrower in the shot put or discus but was pleased with their performances either way.

With only one athlete returning from the state meet, Thompson shared what he asked his team to do in the offseason to improve.

“Just be active. If you’re not in a winter sport, then we need you not just sitting around. I think our two distance runners, Laicey Lutz and Kylie, did a good job of that. Kylie was just cleared to start running again in January af-

ter a stress fracture last fall. Most of the other key kids were either in basketball or they were in wrestling, so we’ll see what that does for their conditioning as we get going here,” Thompson said.

Thompson’s team is lighter than normal on participants for 2026 with 14 total on the roster. His senior class is just two: Ella Carico and Mary Fett.

Fett performed well in the distance runs at the state-qualifying meet, placing sixth in the 800-meter run, and seventh in the 3,000-meter. Carico competed as part of the 4x200-meter and 4x100-meter relay teams.

The junior class also has two athletes: Lutz and Rochholz.

Rochholz has been a staple for Thompson and the Panthers in her first two seasons. As a sophomore, she qualified in all three events at the state

meet, placing ninth in the 1,500-meter run, sixth in the 3,000-meter run and fifth in the distance medley relay team. With her coming off an injury, Thompson intends to bring her back slowly but is confident she can return and even exceed her performances from last season. Thompson is also confident in Lutz’s ability to help the team out in middle- and long-distance events.

Sophomores this season are Leah Carstens, Malia Jacobsen, Corrie Knapp, Nella Rivas and Emma Walker.

Carstens ran on the sprint medley team that finished fifth at the state-qualifier last year, one that Thompson was hoping to get qualified. He says she will be a key sprinter for the Panthers and one he hopes will make a big leap this season.

Knapp had a solid cross-country sea-

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son for Panorama and should be another solid addition to the team's middle and distance runners. The same goes for Rivas.

Walker is coming off another solid wrestling season and will be the team's main thrower in the shot put and discus. Walker placed sixth in discus at the state-qualifier.

The freshman class is Olivia Beaudet, Jacey Glade, Libby Miller and Addison Wagner.

Thompson says Beaudet also had a big impact on the cross country team earlier this year, and that she should be able to impact their 400- and 800-meter runs. Thompson added they will try her out in the 400-meter hurdles as well.

Glade and Wagner are both expected to be hurdlers for Panorama. Miller will be a thrower in the shot put and discus.

“I'm interested to see what our freshman class does, in particular, coming off their junior high season. High

school is a little bit different, and we focus more on technique and strategies. So, hopefully, the whole freshman class shows some big improvement,” Thompson said.

Thompson laid out his expectations for the team this season. He mainly

wants to see week-by-week improvements from his athletes

“Whatever event we choose to put you in, we just want to see you giving it your best effort, and hopefully that results in some improved personal records and personal bests,” Thompson said.

As for the state meet, he is aiming for Rochholz to become a three-time state qualifier in the 1,500-meter and 3,000-meter runs. The 4x800-meter relay team is another one he has high hopes for. Panorama qualified that group for state two years ago, back when they competed in 1A.

“If they develop throughout the season, they could have a good chance. Class 2A is a little bit of a different beast, but I think we have that potential,” Thompson said.

Thompson says his team has been focusing on having fun leading up to the season, and it's got him, and hopefully Panorama fans, excited for the new season.

“I think they're going to see a group of girls that is getting after it. They want to get out and have fun, but they want to work hard. There's a good, hard effort, but having some fun and bonding and some laughter,” Thompson said. ■



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ACGC GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD RETURNS 4 STATE-QUALIFIERS

The Chargers are primed for another successful season.

BY CYOTE WILLIAMS

The ACGC girls track and field team had a solid showing at the state meet last season, qualifying for four events at the most important meet of the year. The Chargers, led by Head Coach Jacob Lacey, placed 17th in the 400-meter hurdles, sixth in the 800-meter run, fifth in the 1,500-meter run and fifth in the 1600-meter sprint medley.

“All the girls competed well; it was a good meet,” Lacey said.

Lacey took over the girls team for the first time last season after spending the last seven as an assistant. His familiarity with the team aided him in that first season, helping coach the four events to the state meet. Ava Campbell, who was part of three of those events, was a senior and now competes at the collegiate level. Luckily for Lacey, the other three members of his 1,600-meter sprint medley team are returning, along with his 400-meter hurdler.

“I think both those results in the 400-meter hurdles and sprint medley ended up being PRs for our team, which is really great,” Lacey said.

Lacey’s roster size has grown from last year, and that will be much to his benefit.

“We definitely added some runners to our team compared to last year.

We brought in more than all we lost, which is nice. We’ll be able to fill out most of our events on a nightly basis, whereas last year there was always a handful of events we just didn’t have



Top: Meranda Gruber and Nora Langgaard. Middle row: Laurin Davis, Kennedy Reinhart, Tessa Slaybaugh, Lillie Lauzon, Caydence Boals, Savannah Akers, Elizabeth Drake, Chelsea Kopaska, Brynnlee Seeck, Megan Underwood and Kiera Boals. Front row: Olivia Mahaffey, Brooklyn Schafer, Blair Brown and Cadence Petersen. Not pictured: Becca Littler.

enough girls to do so,” Lacey said.

Seniors this year are Savannah Akers, Caydence Boals, Elizabeth Drake, Chelsea Kopaska and Becca Littler.

Akers was part of the 1,600-meter

sprint medley team from a season ago and is one who Lacey is excited to see improve this season. Drake returns as a sprinter. Boals and Littler were the team’s main throwers a season ago, and Kopaska specialized in the

distance runs.

Juniors are Laurin Davis, Meranda Gruber, Nora Langgaard, Olivia Mahaffey, Cadence Petersen and Brooklyn Schafer.

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two other returners from the state-qualifying sprint medley team. Petersen qualified in the 400-meter hurdles. Schafer is one who Lacey will look to help replace the missing production from the 800- and 1,500-meter runs.

The sophomore class is comprised of Kiera Boals, Lillie Lauzon, Brynnee Seeck and Megan Underwood.

Lauzon competed at the state qualifier in several relay events and will have more of a factor this season.

Freshmen rounding out the roster are Blair Brown, Kennedy Reinhart and Tessa Slaybaugh.

Lacey mentioned that Brown can be a versatile piece for the team and compete anywhere from the

100-meter dash to the 800-meter run. Slaybaugh could make an impact in the long jump after performing well at

the ITC Indoor Championships early this season.

Lacey may be missing his best athlete from last season but is returning the majority of production from the state meet last year.

“I think we want to try and shoot for the top three in the conference. That would be great. With more numbers this year, we might be able to fill out more events. I’d like to see us qualify in the same amount of events as last year or more. They’ve got to have that mentality, and I think that they do,” Lacey said.

Another important factor for Lacey

is that he wants to see his team improve. A sport like track and field that is measured in numbers makes it easier to measure that development on a week-by-week basis.

“That’s the great thing about track. You can chart your growth from season to season. Because you have your times and your jumps and your throws, and you can look all that, and you can look back and see where you’re at now compared to where you were at this time last year. As long as those kids continue to show growth and development and get better, that’s really what you want,” Lacey said. ■



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PANORAMA BOYS GOLF RETURN HALF OF LAST SEASON'S STATE QUALIFIERS



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Back row: Ty Ratcliff, Jaxson Stauffer, Caleb Prescott, Cole Carstens, Dylan Donovan, Wilson Clark, Cobyn Snyder, Tanner Thompson, Weston Boecker and Maddox Wirt. Front row: Ike Greenlee, Bryce Dawes, Casey Young, Brayden Galvan, Latyn Ashworth, Mason Cates and Brayden Prescott. Not pictured: Paxton Steiner, Evan Losee, Hunter Kline and Reed Draper.

The Panthers have made the state meet the last two years.

BY CYOTE WILLIAMS

After a slow start to the season last year, Panorama rattled off four wins in a row, building momentum into its most important meets of the season. The Panthers placed third at sectionals and then third again at the district meet. Panorama placed seventh overall at the state meet, shooting 75 over for the tourna-

ment.

"I thought we did really well last year. I think the team as a whole matured really well and handled pressure pretty well. I think the only downside was our boys were really eager when they made it to state last year, they wanted to get a few more practice rounds in. They did really well that first day. Going into the end of the day, they were

seated in like third place, and then obviously that second day didn't pan out as well as they would have hoped," Head Coach Connor Osbahr said.

He adds that the team put too much effort into the front end and didn't save enough for the back. He says he will make sure his Panthers are in better shape for that situation this season. Either way, seeing how well the team played leading up to state, and how they performed on the first day, is surely a good sign for Osbahr's program.

Panorama graduated Alexan-

der and Eli Hammerstrom, and the team's best golfer, Parker Cary, transferred. There will be big gaps to fill, but Osbahr is working with a large roster this season, giving golfers the chance to make the team's top six.

Seniors this season are Bryce Dawes, Latyn Ashworth, Brayden Galvan, Dylan Donovan and Casey Young.

Galvan and Dawes are two of the three returning players from the Panthers state-qualifying squad. Galvan finished 30th overall at the state meet with the second-best

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Panorama score. His combined adjusted average of 42.07 was also the second-best on the team last year, and he should be the Panthers' lead golfer.

Dawes placed 35th at state and just one stroke behind Galvan. He will have the second-best returning combined adjusted average score at 45.63.

Juniors are Cole Carstens, Jaxson Stauffer, Reed Draper and Brayden Prescott.

Carstens is the third returning golfer from the state-qualifying group. He placed 71st at the state meet. His combined adjusted average last season was 46.08.

Stauffer made two appearances for the varsity team last season, one nine-hole round and one 18-hole round. His combined adjusted average was 55.30 in limited action. Osbahr pointed to Stauffer as a player

he expects to make a bigger impact this season.

The sophomore class is comprised of Wilson Clark, Coby Snyder, Hunter Kline, Ike Greenlee and Weston Boecker. Clark is one of the younger golfers on the team who

has caught Osbahr's attention for his work ethic.

Freshmen rounding out the roster are Mason Cates, Caleb Prescott, Tanner Thompson, Evan Losee, Maddox Wirt, Paxton Steiner and Ty Ratcliff.

Panorama has qualified for the state meet the last two seasons. Losing two golfers to graduation and one to another school will hurt the Panthers' chances at making it to the final rounds, but Osbahr still has his sights set on the postseason. He is developing his players outside of the course as well.

“Every coach is going to tell you that the goal is to make it to state and finish well. My big goal for this year is to see how the boys continue to mature. I want to see those kids grow and improve their game. Whether that's improving two or three strokes from last year to this year,” Osbahr said. “Or being able to be coachable and tailor their skills so that they can continue to grow. Because, at the end of the day, you're trying to teach these kids more than just golf. Teaching them how to be good people outside of the golf course and in life.” ■



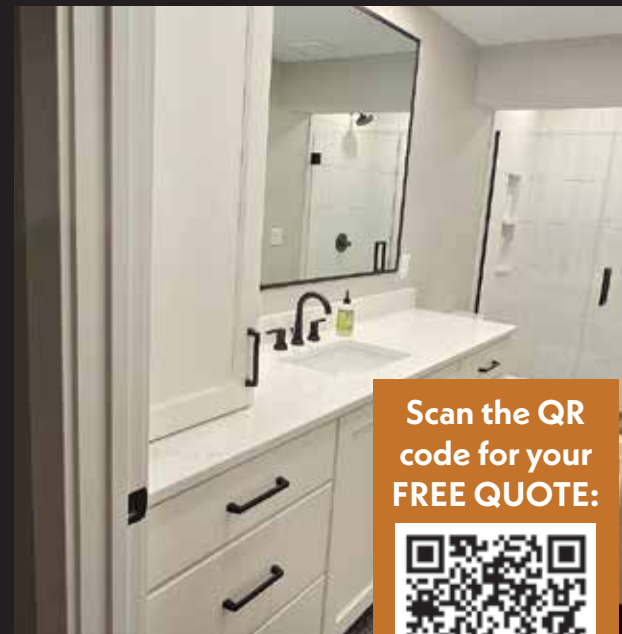
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- 4/10... Kuemper Triangular at Carroll National Golf Club at 4 p.m.
- 4/13... WCAC B/G Golf Meet at Jester Park Golf Course at 4 p.m.
- 4/17 ... Hal Rossow Invite at Lake Panorama National Golf Course at 9:30 a.m.
- 4/23... Conference Quad at Woodward Golf Club at 4 p.m.
- 4/27... Varsity Boys Golf Triangular at Jewell Golf and Country at 4 p.m.
- 4/28... WCAC Triangular at Lake Panorama National Golf Course at 4 p.m.
- 4/30... Crusader Golf Quad at Coon Rapids Golf Course at 4 p.m.
- 5/5..... West Central Activities Conference Meet at Lake Panorama National Golf Course at 9 a.m.
- 5/9..... Kuemper Invitational at Carroll National Golf Club at 8:30 a.m.
- 5/9..... Crusader Golf Invite at Coon Rapids Golf Course at 9 a.m.

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ACGC BOYS GOLF BOASTS NEW SQUAD

New players dot the Charger boys roster and are ready to compete for the black and gold.

BY CYOTE WILLIAMS

Despite ACGC boys golf ending last season with a 13-30 overall record, the team did put together some solid performances throughout the year. The Chargers had two second-place finishes at golf meets and had a bright spot in now sophomore Sayer Bireline Huss.

“Sayer Bireline-Huss is our only returning letterman this year. He is playing really well in the pre-season, and I have high expectations for a great season. He is also a very good leader and will help other team members improve their performances through modeling and excellent work ethic,” Head Coach Lori McGivney said.

Chase Slaybaugh, Casey Young, Noah Kading, Kinnick Froelich and Colin Stringham were the main competitors on last season’s team alongside Bireline-Huss, but McGivney has recruited well.

The team has no seniors this season but boasts several juniors in the form of Cash Suhr, Isaac “Miah” Dominguez, Preston Kent and Ryder Lane.

McGivney says Kent will be a solid asset for the team despite dual-sporting with track and field. Ryder Lane was on the practice squad last season, bringing some experience to the team this year. Suhr and Miah are both new to the team this season.



Back row: Sayer Bireline-Huss, Preston Kent, Miah Dominguez and Ryan Martens. Front row: Keaton Morris, Easton Gettler, Ryne Noland and Ryder Lane. Not pictured: Cash Suhr.

Sophomores are Bireline-Huss, Ryne Noland and Ryan Martens. As mentioned, Bireline-Huss will

be the leader of this team. Even as a freshman, he was the team’s best golfer. At sectionals, he placed sixth,

shooting an 86. His 18-hole average of 89.08 was the best on the team by five strokes.

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Martens will also be dual-sporting with track and field but is still expected to make an impact for the black-



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- 4/6..... Quad at Woodward Golf Club at 4 p.m.
- 4/9..... NV Co-ed Golf Meet at Greenfield Country Club at 4 p.m.
- 4/13... WCAC Don Williams Golf Course in Ogden at 4 p.m.
- 4/16... Boys Golf Invitational at Manning Manilla Golf Course at 4 p.m.
- 4/17... Hal Rossow Invite at Lake Panorama National Golf Course at 9 a.m.
- 4/23... Conference Quad at Woodward Golf Club 4 p.m.
- 4/28... WCAC Quad at 5 by 80 Golf and Country Club in Menlo at 4 p.m.
- 4/30... Crusader Golf Quad at Coon Rapids Golf Course at 4 p.m.
- 5/5..... West Central Activities Conference Meet at Lake Panorama National Golf Course at 9 a.m.
- 5/9..... Crusader Golf Invite at Coon Rapids Golf Course at 9 a.m.

and-gold golfers. Noland was another golfer who was on the practice squad last season and is expected to make a larger contribution this season.

“They (Noland and Lane) are preparing for varsity-level play this year

with big shoes to fill,” McGivney said.

The team has two freshmen: Easton Gettler and Keaton Morris.

ACGC gets moving quickly and will have three meets in the space of four days. The team will quickly learn

where it stands among the rest of the always competitive West Central Activities Conference.

“Early season play is busy as we learn etiquette, rules and skills to be ready to compete,” McGivney said. ■

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LARGE ROSTER FOR GIRLS GOLF BRINGS PANORAMA AMPLE OPPORTUNITY



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Annabelle Reynolds, Miranda Laabs, Greta Gliozzo, Taylin Woolheater, Natalie Waltz, Riley Wasson, Dylan Birchfield, Rhaica Spencer, Chaira Frei, Taelyn Girth, Anabel Pudenz, Alyssa Stanley, Avery Ambrose, Calista Knudsen and Maci Bauer. Not pictured Naomi Flinn and Ava Thompson.

The Panther girls have one of their biggest teams in years for 2026.

BY CYOTE WILLIAMS

Last season was a productive one for the Panorama girls golf team. Another year under Head Coach Melissa Hochstetler saw significant improvements from the year be-

fore. The girls finished with a 12-22 record overall and a 5-7 record in the West Central Activities Conference. This was a huge improvement over the previous year's 4-25 record. Their season ended at the regional meet, where they placed

tied for fifth, just nine strokes from third place.

“I was very happy with how we performed last season,” Hochstetler said. “The girls worked hard and left it all out there. The girls were very dedicated last year, very coachable and fun to coach,” Hochstetler said.

The girls graduated four seniors from last year's team but will have plenty of players to replace them. Hochstetler said that across all classes, the girls will have 16 play-

ers and plenty of potential.

This year's senior class is Miranda Laabs, Dylan Burchfield, Annabelle Reynolds, Ava Thompson and Taylin Woolheater.

Laabs will be the team's best returning golfer. Her nine-hole average was 59.20, and her 18-hole average was 115.20. Laabs is currently injured and will be serving as a mentor to start the season.

Juniors are Maci Bauer, Naomi Flinn, Chiara Frei, Greta Gliozzo, Natalie Waltz and Riley Wasson.

“ My goal for this year is just to continue to develop the game for all the girls. We have girls who have played a little before to girls who have never played. My goal is that they will all be able to go out and play a round of golf with confidence that they can play and that it is a game worth playing. ”

Bauer was one of two sophomores to get varsity experience last season. Her averages from last year were 74.20 for nine holes and 147.60 for 18 holes. Hochstetler said her experience and wisdom will help the team this season. She also gave her credit for being an active recruiter and taking lessons this summer to improve her game.

The team has one sophomore: Calista Knudsen.

The freshman class consists of Avery Ambrose, Taelyn Gerth, Anabel Pudenz, Rhaica Spencer and Alyssa Stanley.

Hochstetler is working with a large roster this season with lots of fresh faces. In the offseason, she has been encouraging them to get

some practice in at Lake Panorama National. It helps that the city already has two solid courses to get



work in at.

“My goal for this year is just to continue to develop the game for all the girls. We have girls who have played a little before to girls who have never played. My goal is that they will all be able to go out and play a round of golf with confidence that they can play and that it is a game worth playing,” Hochstetler said.

She is excited to see what her team is going to be capable of this season. With some new to the game

of the golf, and others returning with experience, it should be a fun season for the Panthers.

“I am really excited about this year’s team. I have girls who are very competitive, and I think we will do well this year. I am also looking forward to working with the girls new to the game. We will be a younger team this year than the last couple of years. It looks like we will have a program that is going to be very competitive,” Hochstetler said. ■

- 4/6..... WCAC No. 1 Quad at Deer Run Golf Club in Indianola
- 4/9..... vs. ADM at Lake Panorama National Golf Course
- 4/13... WCAC B/G Golf Meet at Jester Park Golf Course in Granger at 4 p.m.
- 4/20... Bondurant-Farrar Girls Golf Invitational at Terrace Hills Golf Course at 1 p.m.
- 4/21 ... DMC Girls Varsity Golf Invitational at Jester Park Golf Course in Granger 9 a.m.
- 4/23... Conference Quad at Woodward Golf Club at 4 p.m.
- 4/27... Panorama Girls Meet at Lake Panorama National Golf Course at 4 p.m.
- 4/28... WCAC Triangular at Lake Panorama National Golf Course at 4 p.m.
- 4/30... Woodward Granger Girls Golf Invitational at Woodward Golf Club at 9 a.m.
- 5/4 Wes Central Activities Conference Girls Golf Meet at Pleasantville Golf and Country Club at 9 a.m.
- 5/12... Panorama Invite 9 Holes at Lake Panorama National Golf Course at 4 p.m.

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ACGC GIRLS GOLF CHASES SCHOOL RECORDS IN 2026

Chargers are primed to have their best season yet with tons of returning talent.

BY CYOTE WILLIAMS

The ACGC girls golf team heads into its second season under Head Coach Will Shull. In Shull's first season in charge, the girls produced solid results throughout the season, including finishing tied for fifth out of eight teams at the Class 1A Region 5B meet.

"I saw some really good things. We were a pretty young team last year, and I was proud of how we came out. We started really hot, winning our first meet and had the medalist," Shull said.

Shull said his squad beat teams that they had never defeated before, pointing to some clear improvement in their performances.

The team had no seniors last year, meaning the Chargers are returning plenty of talent to the golf course. Seniors this season will be Allie DeWitt, Lucy Knutter and Ava Sneller, who were all on the team last season.

"They will be pretty key to our team. They've led it for four years, and they've been playing really well. I know a couple of them have gotten some lessons over this winter, so that'll be good to see. And, hopefully, they continue to improve," Shull said.

Juniors this season will be Cora Fluharty and Rylee Robson. Both of them were on the squad last year as well. Robson was the lone medalist for ACGC last season after the team won its first meet of the season at Madrid.

Kahsyn Tearney is the lone sophomore. She was the only freshman on the roster last season. Shull expects her to have more of an



Back row: Rylee Robson, Carrie Downing, Alli Wiers and Kahsyn Tearney. Front row: Lucy Knutter, Ava Sneller and Allie DeWitt.

impact this season.

ACGC will have two freshmen: Alli Wiers and Carrie Downing. Shull says the pair have previous golfing experience and will help round out the

team.

ACGC will have high hopes this season with three returning four-year letterwinners and a junior capable of winning meets. Plus, a larger roster

means more players who have the chance to contribute scores to the team.

"Last year we chased the school record. The school record is 220 for a

PHOTO BY BETTY COOPER

nine-hole round. We had a meeting last week, and one of our goals is to chase that team record again," Shull said.

The girls came close to that on a few occasions last season. Shooting 232, 237, and a season-best 225 at one point. Shull said Robson is chasing the individual average adjusted school record this season.

Overall, Shull wants to see the team improve on its scores from last year. He and the Charger girls will be comparing their scores from last year

to this year. His team will have more chances to do that as well, since the Chargers were able to get four more meets on their schedule than last year.

"I'm pretty excited for the season to start. This is a really good group of girls and a really good team that wants to succeed and wants nothing less. We're at a full schedule now. We've added two 18-hole meets and then two nine-hole meets," Shull said. "Then we got another home meet this year, so that'll be really nice." ■

ACGC 2026 GIRLS GOLF SCHEDULE



- 4/9..... NV Co-ed Golf Meet at Greenfield Country Club
- 4/13... WCAC at Don Williams Golf Course Club House in Ogden at 4 p.m.
- 4/14... Clarinda Girls Golf Tournament at 10 a.m.
- 4/23... WCAC Quad at Woodward Golf Club at 4 p.m.
- 4/28... WCAC Quad at 5 by 80 Golf and Country Club in Menlo at 4 p.m.
- 5/2..... Crusader Invitational Tournament at Coon Rapids Golf Course at 9 a.m.
- 5/4..... WCAC Conference Meet at Pleasantville Golf and Country Club at 9 a.m.
- 5/8..... WCV Girls Home Meet at 5 by 80 Golf and Country Club in Menlo at 1 p.m.
- 5/11... at Coon Rapids-Bayard at 4 p.m.
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PANORAMA GIRLS SOCCER RETURNS MAJORITY OF STARTERS FOR 2026

Plenty of the Panther girls are back including one of Iowa's best goal scorers this season.

BY CYOTE WILLIAMS

The Panorama girls soccer team continued its streak over .500 seasons with its 12-5-1 record last year. The girls placed second in the West Central Activities Conference. Their season ended at regionals against Underwood in a 3-1 defeat. First year head coach Paul Kautzky was hoping for a different result in his inaugural season.

"I was a little disappointed in the way the season ended, obviously losing to Underwood. They ended up making it to state. I think, as my first year as head coach, there are some things that I can improve on for next year, coaching wise, better communication with the team, and try to get the team better prepared for who we're playing," Kautzky said.

The team still experienced plenty of success. Star player Morgan Crees put together another season filled with goals. As one of the most prolific goalscorers in the state, Crees poured in 55 as a junior and added nine assists for good measure. Also, a good sign for this season, the

girls were a young squad last year. With only three seniors consistently starting games, Kautzky won't have too many gaps to fill in this year.

Panorama once again is low on seniors with just three: Karli Kautzky, Crees and Taylor Fronapfel.

As mentioned before, Crees is one of the best attacking threats in the entire state. Her 55 goals were the second most of any player in Iowa. Notably, she also took the most shots of anyone in the state with 237. The gameplan is clear, get the ball to Crees, and have Crees shoot.

Karli and Fronapfel were both mainstays in last year's team, with both of them playing in all 18 games.

Juniors are Hailey Hellman, Jamie Fronapfel, Nerea Gimeno-Perez and Jessica Randol.

Randol was another key player last season, starting in all 18 games. She scored six goals and had six assists.

Another consistent player, Gimeno-Perez, started 17 games, scored five goals and provided nine assists.

Hellman was solid as well, starting in all 18 games in defense for



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Back row: Hailey Hellman, Blair Brown, Ruth Fett, Ashley Crees, Meredith Arganbright, Jessica Randol and Jamie Fronapfel. Middle row: Jacey Glade, Hannah Hellman, Lexi Galvan, Kailee Kautzky, Ines Gimeno-Perez, Nerea Gimeno-Perez, Emma Walker and Kennedy Reinhart. Front row: Taylor Fronapfel, Morgan Crees and Karli Kautzky.

Panorama. She is one that Kautzky can see being a leader this year. Fronapfel saw the field in 13 games, starting two and providing one assist.

The sophomore class is Malia Jacobsen, Calista Knudsen, Ashley Crees, Ruth Fett, Emma Walker and Meredith Arganbright.

Ashley Crees, like her sister,

seems to have a nose for goal. As a freshman, she scored eight goals and had four assists in 17 games. Kautzky hopes to get her more minutes this season.

Arganbright is another returning starter. She started 15 games for the Panthers last year.

The freshmen class is the largest and is comprised of Jacey Glade,

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“With the freshmen coming in, I don’t know who’s going to perform well and who’s not right now. You have several girls from Panorama that played varsity basketball, and then a couple girls from Guthrie Center to step in. It’s going to be a fun and exciting year.”

Blair Brown, Ines Gimeno-Perez, Kailee Kautzky, Hannah Hellman, Kennedy Reinhart and Lexi Galvan.

Since Panorama only lost a few starters from last season, it will be tough for this crop of freshmen to find ample playing time, but Kautzky says it is certainly possible that some of them become consistent players this season.

“With the freshmen coming in, I don’t know who’s going to perform well and who’s not right now. You have several girls from Panorama that played varsity basketball, and then a couple girls from Guthrie Center to step in. It’s going to be

a fun and exciting year,” Kautzky said.

Kautzky wouldn’t put an exact number on what his goals are this season. The team faces some stiff competition this year, but Panorama girls soccer has produced a winning record every season of its existence. Plus, with most of the starters returning, and a star forward, the sky is the limit.

“I think we just take it one game at a time and focus on one game and trying to improve throughout the year. So, when we do make that run to state, we can keep improving,” Kautzky said. ■

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4/7..... Grand View Christian
 4/9..... vs. East Sac County
 4/13... vs. Greene County at 5:30 p.m.
 4/17... at Kuemper Catholic at 5 p.m.
 4/21... at Treynor at 5:00 p.m.
 4/23... at Van Meter at 4:30 p.m.
 4/28... vs. Underwood at 5:30 p.m.
 4/30... at West Central Valley at 5:30 p.m.
 5/1..... at Perry at 5:30 p.m.
 5/4..... at Clarke Community at 5:30 p.m.
 5/9..... Creston Panther Invitational at 9 a.m.
 5/11... vs. Des Moines Christian at 5:30 p.m.
 5/12... vs. Tri-Center at 5:30 p.m.
 5/15... vs. Logan-Magnolia at 5:30 p.m.



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- June 23, Tues. Coon Rapids (AWAY)**
- June 25, Thur. Glidden (AWAY)**
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