

Area teams ranked high in latest poll

TOPEKA (AP) — The top ranked teams in Kansas continued their winning ways last week to remain atop the AP rankings.

Hays moved up two spots in Class 5A from number four to number two. Blue Valley Northwest broke into the rankings in Class 6A at number five.

Jefferson North moved into the Class 2-1A rankings beating Class 3A Oskaloosa 33-6.

Ulysses, at 5-1, remains in the top ten. The Tigers will be Colby last opponent in the regular season on Oct. 25 and are one of three district opponents the Eagles must beat to advance.

Atwood is no. 4 and Hoxie is among the others receiving votes. Both are undefeated and will meet in Hoxie on Friday night at 7:30 p.m.

Tribune remains no. 2 in 8-man Division II.

The AP rankings are a compilation of ratings by the Hutchinson News, Salina Journal, Topeka Capital-Journal and Wichita Eagle.

Here are this week's rankings:

- Class 6A**
1. Olathe North, 6-0. 2. Derby, 6-0. 3, tie. Blue Valley North, 6-0, and Olathe South, 6-0. 5, tie. Hutchinson 6-0, and Blue Valley Northwest 6-0.
- Class 5A**

1. Salina Central, 6-0. 2. Hays, 6-0. 3. Topeka Seaman, 6-0. 4. Valley Center, 6-0. 5. Bishop Carroll, 5-1.

Others rated: Pittsburg, 4-2; Salina South, 4-2.<

- Class 4A**
1. Topeka Hayden, 5-1. 2. Wellington, 5-1. 3. Paola, 6-0. 4. Sabetha, 6-0. 5. Clay Center 6-0.

Others rated: Ulysses, 5-1.<

- Class 3A**
1. Conway Springs, 6-0. 2. Smith Center, 6-0. 3. Hillsboro, 6-0. 4, tie. Neodesha, 5-0, and Wichita Collegiate, 5-1, and Rock Creek, 6-0.

Others rated: Southwestern Heights, 6-0.<

- Class 2-1A**
1. Claflin, 6-0. 2. Pittsburg Colgan, 6-0. 3. Centralia, 6-0. 4. Atwood, 6-0. 5. Jefferson North, 6-0.

Others rated: Hoxie, 6-0; Onaga, 6-0.

- Eight-Man I**
1. South Barber, 6-0. 2. Tribune, 6-0. 3. St. Paul, 6-0. 4. Ashland, 6-0. 5. Little River, 5-0.

Others rated: Pike Valley, 6-0.<

- Eight-Man II**
1. Hanston, 6-0. 2. Haviland, 6-0. 3. Sylvan Grove 5-1. 4. Hope 5-1. 5, tie. Bern 5-1, and Lewis, 5-1, and Midway-Denton, 4-2.

A little help from friends



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Chris Haffner got a couple of blocks from Cole Garcia and Mark Bartlett in a 28-12 Colby Middle School loss to Burlington, Colo. on Monday at Dennen Field. The middle school teams finish their seasons tonight at Oberlin. Games start at 4:30 p.m.

Playoff Picture

NEW YORK (AP) — Mark Mulder held the New York Yankees to one run in his first postseason appearance, and Terrence Long homered twice to lead wild card Oakland to a 5-3 win over the World Series champions in the opener of their first-round AL playoff series.

HOUSTON (AP) — Tom Glavine and John Smoltz combined to shut out the Astros 1-0 and help the Braves head home to Atlanta with a 2-0 lead in their first-round NL playoff series.

PHOENIX (AP) — Randy Johnson

extended his major league record for consecutive playoff losses to seven as Woody Williams and the St. Louis Cardinals beat Arizona 4-1, tying their NL series at one game each.<

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Reclassification will affect area

By JAY KELLEY

Colby Free Press

There will be a few changes in north-west Kansas after the Kansas State High School Activities Association reclassification released Monday, but most of them are for the better.

Reclassification is done by the association every year for all activities except football, which is classified every two years. Football classification also counts only grades 9-11, while the other classifications are for grades 10-12.

Football classifications also count for two years, meaning the new classifications will be in effect until 2005.

The 32 largest schools in Kansas are classified 6A, and the next 32 are counted as 5A. The rest of the schools are divided into groups of 64 each, 2-4A, with the remaining schools (113) classified 1A.

Two schools, Oberlin and Norton, have moved up, while only Thomas More Prep has dropped. Oberlin and Norton will remain the same in football, but TMP will drop in that sport also.

Oberlin, formerly Class 2A moved

up to 3A with 138 students from grades. The smallest 3A school has 13 students. In football, Oberlin's 121 students puts them in the high end of Class 2A, which ranges from 76-133 students.

Norton is now 4A with 222 students, four above the smallest 4A school. In football, Norton will remain 3A with 199 students, 25 below the minimum 4A school.

TMP drops to Class 3A in all sports. With 203 students in the general classification and 208 in football, they are a large 3A school.

Colby remained Class 4A with 29 students in the general classification and 292 in football. Class 4A ranges from 218-490 in general classification and 224-528 in football.

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Area Schedule

Friday, Oct. 12
Class 4A state tennis tournament in Pratt.
Colby High School varsity football begins district play in Scott city at 7:30 p.m.
Brewster High School varsity

football hosts Grinnell at 7:30 p.m.
Golden Plains High School varsity football hosts Cheylin in Rexford at 7:30 p.m.
Colby Community College volleyball at the Northeastern Colorado Tournament in Sterling, Colo.

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League Results

October 1 - Firstnighters League

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
Colby Implement	16	4	15687
Schlick Construction	11	9	15599
Head Foundation	11	9	15322
Liester	11	9	9269
Schwartz Auto Electric	10	10	15566
Outcasts	9	11	15604
Woofter Pump & Well	9	11	15411
Colby Bowl	9	11	15192
Frontier Equity	7	13	15525
Wolfhogs	7	13	12397

High game: Robert Lee., 246.
High series: Robert Lee, 662.

October 5 - Pinbusters League

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
Pepsi - Renegades	17	3	15930
Cummins Mid-America	14	6	15836
Colby Lumber	14	6	15590
UCT	12	8	15947
Huffles Construction	11	9	15763
Colby Automotive	10	10	15597
City Slickers	10	10	15243
HAJOCA	8	12	15532
Colby Ag	7	13	15365
Silver Bullets	7	13	12197
Wark Embroidery	6	14	15359
Grumpy Old Men	4	16	11912

High game: Tom Leavitt, 265.
High series: John White, 709.

September 25 - Early Bird Ladies League

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
Bowlerettes	14	6	11367
Vans Merry Four	13	7	11189
Jean's Rollers	11	9	11468
Total Image	10	10	11610
Sharon's Hallmark	8	12	11285
Pitter Pats	7	13	11139
Northwest Vacuum	7	13	11499

High game: Jan Helus, 188.
High series: Jan Helus, 486.

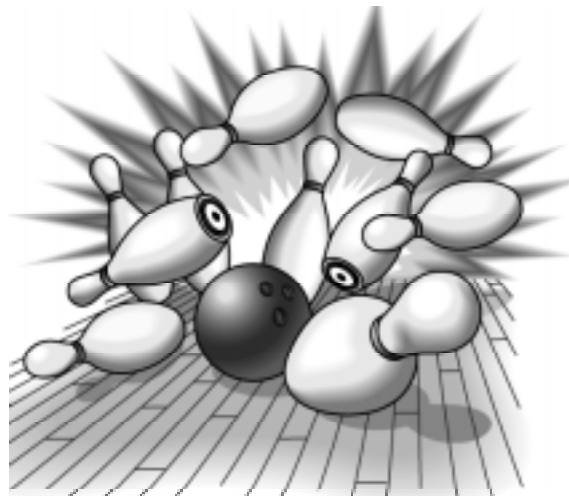
October 3 - Powderpuff League

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
Lucky Strikes	15	9	13896
Cornerstone Ag	14	10	13865
Garst Seeds	13	11	13902
Colby Bowl	11	13	13654
McCarty Dairy	10	14	13613
J.L. Graphics	9	15	13796
College Girls	9	15	2273
Whoever	7	17	2221

High game: Monica Miller, 189.
High series: Monica Miller, 507.

October 3 - Ladies Nite Out League

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
Overtime Liquor	16	8	13820
City Limits	15	9	13968
Straight-Line	14	10	13940
Strike-outs	13	11	13945
Cersovsky Farms	13	11	13696
Taco John's	12	12	14191
Colby Bowl	12	12	13885
Linden Construction	12	12	13867



Team	Won	Lost	Pins
Brooks, Inc.	12	12	13831
Who-Nos	9	15	13510
Lobo Liquor	8	16	13748
Maggie's Chicks	8	16	13490

High game: Deanna Carmen, 214.
High series: Bonnie Glassman, 559.

October 4 - King Pin League

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
Donation Station	17	3	15820
5 Pony Men	12	8	15600
Colby Automotive	10	10	15286
T.J.'s Tire Repair	10	10	15214
Cheney Repair	10	10	15186
McCarty Dairy	10	10	12332
5 Amigos	9	11	12294
Wolf Lawn Care	8	12	15559
Trish's Steakhouse	7	13	12171
Colby Bowl	7	13	12048

High game: Dan Peck, 230.
High series: Lynn Cameron, 583.

October 5 - Ten Pin League

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
Village Laundromat	13	7	14469
Jay's Lawn Service	11	9	14464
Prairie Senior	11	9	14417

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
Colby Bowl	10	10	14418
Cal Williams, Attorney	10	10	14418
Comfort Inn	9	11	14445
Cersovsky Insurance	9	11	14230
Citizens Medical Center	5	15	14383
Hurt Enterprises	5	15	14547

High game: Stephanie Billinger, 216.
High series: Monica Miller, 552.

September 16 - King and Queen I League

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
Brewer-Schwanke	4	0	2371
Kern-McCarty	4	0	2336
Lee-Benson	3	1	2349
White	3	1	2332
Wolf-Leavitt	2	2	2348
Iola's	2	2	2329
Norman-Gallentine	2	2	2320
Barton-Donley	2	2	2314
Decker-Marshall	1	3	2314
Williams-Moore	1	3	2309
Guill-Brush	0	4	2301

High male game: Ken Brewer, 258.
High male series: Ken Brewer, 684.
High female game: Patty Decker, 185.
High female series: Tonja Lee, 479.

October 6 - Senior Strikers League

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
J-J Oil	4	0	2306
Hurt Enterprises	3	1	2301
Colby Bowl	2	2	2266
Gold Bank	2	2	2265
Farmers & Merchants	1	3	2282
Comfort Inn	0	4	0

High male game: Doug Hurr, 190.
High male series: Doug Hurr, 519.
High female game: Kelsey Dunn, 121.
High female series: Tisha Bieker, 342.

October 6 - Junior Strikers League

Team	Won	Lost	Pins
F & M Insurance	3	0	1866
First National Bank	2	1	1883
Kersensbrock's kids	2	1	1878
Dillons	1	2	1881
Design Wizard	1	2	1871

High male game: Brady Rather, 100.
High male series: Brady Rather, 177.
High female game: Tessa Hoft, 82.
High female series: Heather Griggs, 110.

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