



LAKEVILLE NORTH PANTHER BASEBALL

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Section Champs 2000, 2005, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
Conference Champs 1999, 2008, 2009, 2013, 2014, 2016

2021 PANTHER MEDIA GUIDE

2021 SEASON OUTLOOK

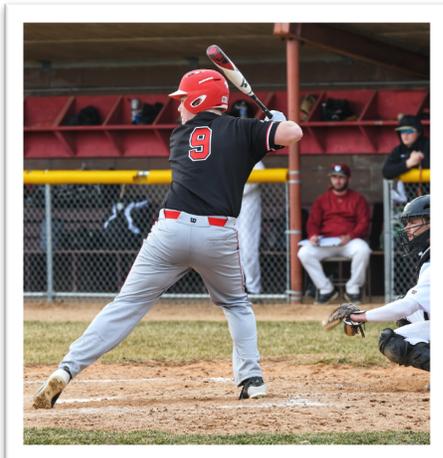
The outlook for the 2021 Lakeville North Panther baseball season is best described as a mystery. After graduating eleven seniors from the 2019 team including the entire middle defensively (C/2B/SS/CF) and over 70% of the innings pitched, the 2020 season was cancelled after a week of practice and the twelve seniors from that group moved on without playing a game together for the Panthers. So, who will fill the 2021 lineup? It will be impossible to know until Head Coach Tony Market posts the card on the dugout wall at the opener on April 12. What you can count on from the staff and the roster (once it is determined) is that there will be an incessant drive to return to the State Tournament after missing qualifying in 2019 for the first time in seven years. There are a couple names that can be penciled in for that opening day lineup card, **Sr 3B/C Tyler Wombacher** hit in the heart of the lineup when he was only a sophomore in 2019 (hitting .316, 6XBH/16RBI). Wombacher is committed to NJCAA Division I powerhouse Wabash Valley College (pre-season #1-ranked in 2021). On the mound, **Sr LHP Nolan Johnson** will lead the way. Johnson, like Wombacher, saw the field for the varsity squad in 2019 (striking out 15 in 11 innings). He has committed to pitch for NCAA DI North Dakota State next year. Competition to fill out the rest of the pitching staff and to man the field will be wide open. Among players expected to contribute are **Sr SS Garrett Long**, **Sr P/IF Sam Baker**, **Sr OF/1B Will Arendt** and **So SS/2B Tanner Recchio**.

THE SOUTH SUBURBAN CONFERENCE



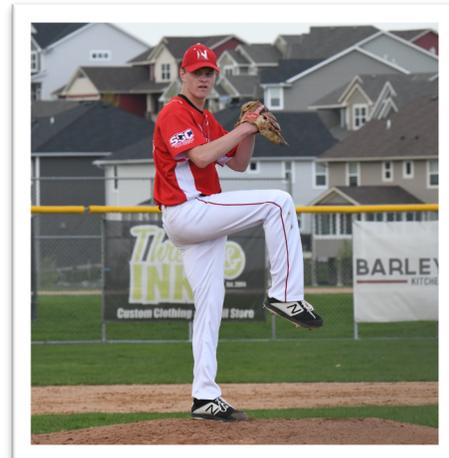
In 2010-2011, 9 former Lake Conference teams joined Prior Lake to create the South Suburban Conference. It quickly became the state's most competitive baseball conference. Since its founding, the conference has had 5 different programs appear in the large-school MN State Tournament, produced two state champions, placed 23 players on the All-State Tournament Team and 51 of its student-athletes have received All-State honors from the MSHSBCA. With alumni currently playing for NCAA-D1 programs including Illinois, Oklahoma State, Memphis, Missouri, North Carolina, Oregon State, Notre Dame & Minnesota, and five currently active in professional baseball, the Panthers and their partner schools are looking to rebound from the lost 2020 season to reestablish the SSC's reputation as the best baseball conference in the state this spring with legitimate college & professional prospects competing in every single contest.

PANTHERS 2021 SENIOR STARS



3B/C Tyler Wombacher (R/R)
Committed to Wabash Valley College

Tyler's work ethic, size (6'2, 205), arm strength, and bat speed put him immediately into the heart of the varsity lineup as a sophomore. He responded by displaying power beyond his years and hit an impressive .316 with 16 RBI in 25 games while earning All-Conference Honorable Mention. While he played 3B in his rookie campaign, he'll likely see time at catcher and perhaps on the bump in 2021. Returning to the middle of the order this year, the coaching staff expects big things from Tyler's bat.



SR LHP Nolan Johnson
Committed to North Dakota State University

As a sophomore in 2019, Nolan (6'0, 170) was pressed into Varsity service late in the season as an injury replacement. In that role, Nolan made two impressive starts in May. He threw strikes with his mid-80s fastball and lured swings over his nose-to-toes curve. Nolan struck out 15 and walked only 2 across 11 innings pitched. Solid mechanically and throwing a heavy fastball with relative ease, Nolan's upside is very high and his further development will be key to the Panthers' future success.

2019/2020 SEASON RECAP

After six consecutive trips to the Minnesota Large School State Tournament (2013-2018), expectations were tempered a bit in 2019 as all but two starters had graduated from the 2018 Section 1AAAA and Minnesota State Consolation Champions. But with a solid infield & two strong senior starting pitchers, a seventh straight trip to state didn't seem out of the question. Once the roster was set, the Panthers started out hot, with six wins in April, scoring at least 9 runs in five of those victories. While the offense clicked early in the season (averaging 8.4 runs in the first ten games with **Sr SS Gavin Baker** batting .545 over that stretch) and stellar pitching performances were delivered by each of the three starters; **Sr LHP Ryan Sleeper**, **Sr RHP Devon Schewe** and **Jr RHP Peter Tveite**, the pace of success slowed in May. Injuries took some toll and the disappearance of any clutch hitting certainly didn't help as the team finished conference play with a 10-8 record and a fourth place finish in the South Suburban Conference. Coming into the Section 1AAAA playoffs, with *19 consecutive section playoff victories* since 2014, the team was seeded 4th and healthy arms were at a premium, but the tournament began with a convincing 10-2 victory over #5 Rochester John Marshall with **Jr OF Branden Huwe** contributing 3 hits and 3 RBI and Schewe pitching a complete game. Sleeper would dominate game two of sections against Rochester Mayo as he struck out 9 and gave up only 2 hits in a 3-1 win. Confidence was brimming until New Prague LHP Luke Tupy silenced the Panther bats and gave LNHS its first section playoff loss since 2014. If the team was to return to State, the path got tougher at that point. The rematch with Rochester John Marshall proved intense and extra innings were needed, but with two on and two out in the bottom of the 8th, **Sr Mason Malecha** fouled off what felt like a hundred pitches before driving a walk-off double to the wall in centerfield. The stage was set to battle New Prague for the section championship, but the Panthers would have to beat them twice.

In game one of the section championship, the Panthers rallied from behind to score 4 in the 5th in a rain-shortened game with clutch hits from Tveite and **Sr 2B Patrick Timmer**. A new section win streak had started but the team would need one more big win to reach a 7th straight state tournament. But with the pitching staff taxed by the extra games, the New Prague Trojans would head to State on the merit of their 10-3 victory, eventually losing in the State Championship to East Ridge High School. The Panthers finished with a winning record (14-11) for the thirteenth consecutive year and the pitching staff struck out over 200 batters for the third time in school history. Gavin Baker was named Team MVP, All-Conference & All-State, while Schewe and Sleeper joined him on the All-Conference team. Timmer, Tveite and **So 3B Tyler Wombacher** were named Honorable Mention. In addition to the on-the-field accolades, our varsity student-athletes earned the *All-State Silver* team recognition for academics, for registering a team GPA over 3.3.

Hoping to start a new State Tournament streak in 2020, the season was cancelled after just one week of practice. But that must have been one really great week of practice, as Head Coach **Tony Market**, whose fifteen seasons as head coach at Lakeville North have yielded a 242-108 record, 5 conference championships and 6 state tournament appearances, was named 2020 MN AAAA Baseball Coach of the Year (the second time he has won the MSHSBCA award).

2021 FORMER PANTHERS PLAYING IN COLLEGE

LHS/LNHS MLB DRAFT CHOICES			
1993 Nathan Rasmussen L.A. Dodgers (52 nd Round)	Infielder	Mitch Frederick ('16)	Minnesota State University Mavericks
2007 Michael Kvasnicka MN Twins (31 st Round)	Pitcher	Luke DeGrammont ('17)	Concordia University Golden Bears
2010 Michael Kvasnicka Houston Astros (1 st Round)	Pitcher	Sean Flaherty ('17)	University of Minnesota-Duluth Bulldogs
2010 Bret Mitchell NY Mets (12 th Round)	Infielder	Ryan Bastyr ('17)	Concordia University Golden Bears
2017 Dalton Lehnen NY Yankees (6 th Round)	Catcher	Nick Juaire ('18)	University of Notre Dame Fighting Irish
	Pitcher	Nathaniel Peterson ('18)	Oklahoma State University Cowboys
	Pitcher	Collin Denk ('18)	Minnesota State University Mavericks
	Infielder	Gavin Baker ('19)	Iowa Central Community College Tritons
	Catcher	Josh Lee ('19)	Itasca Community College Vikings
	Pitcher	Ryan Sleeper ('19)	Wabash Valley College Warriors
	Infielder	Patrick Timmer ('19)	Gustavus Adolphus College Gusties
	Pitcher	Wesley Kemming ('19)	College of St. Scholastica Saints
	Pitcher	Devon Schewe ('19)	Iowa Central Community College Tritons
	Infielder	Jordon Huwe ('20)	St. John's University Johnnies
	Pitcher	Peter Tveite ('20)	Winona State University Warriors
	Outfielder	Jacob Bellile ('20)	UW-Eau Claire BluGolds
	Infielder	Ben Groff ('20)	Bethany Lutheran College Vikings

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TEAM MVPs

1989	Lou Linteur
1990	Steve Rudd
1991/92	Nate Rasmussen
1993	Nate Rasmussen & Adam Platt
1994	Corey Fox
1995	Jason Kirsch
1996	Jeff Hartwig
1997	Andy Britten
1998	Jeremy Ancel
1999	Travis Anderson
2000	Team
2001	Ash Larson
2002	Mike Johnson
2003	Joe Bloemke
2004	Kyle Zweber
2005	David Olson
2006/07	Mike Kvasnicka
2008	Nick Judkins
2009	Dylan Thomas
2010	Ben Skelly
2011/12	Austin Streit
2013/14	Dalton Lehnen
2015	Angelo Altavilla
2017	Team
2016/18	Nick Juaire
2019	Gavin Baker
2020	No Season

ACADEMIC TEAM HONORS

(Awarded by the MN State Baseball Coaches Assoc for GOLD, SILVER, & BRONZE LEVELS for team GPAs over 3.5, 3.3 & 3.0 since Spring 2013)

2013	GOLD
2014	SILVER
2015	SILVER
2016	GOLD
2017	SILVER
2018	SILVER
2019	SILVER

LAKEVILLE NORTH (2006-2020) INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

'06 All Lake-Conference	Mike Kvasnicka, Andrew Kappers Honorable Mention: Luke Reardon, Chris Ernst, Matt Stolte
'07 All Lake Conference	Mike Kvasnicka, Bret Mitchell Honorable Mention: Nick Judkins, Nick Johnson, Glenn Parker
'07 All-State	Mike Kvasnicka
'07 Gatorade Player of the Year	Mike Kvasnicka
'08 All-Lake Conference	Nick Judkins, Nick Johnson, Glenn Parker, Dylan Thomas Honorable Mention: Thomas Vanasek, Ryan Gothmann, Collin Baker
'08 All-State	Nick Judkins, Glenn Parker
'08 All-State Academic	Pat Arnold
'09 All-Lake Conference	Dylan Thomas, Zach Braun, Collin Baker, Tyler Erstad, Ben Freitag, Nick Altavilla Honorable Mention: Andy Yetzer, Tim Kuzniar, Phil Vigen
'09 All-State	Dylan Thomas, Nick Altavilla
'09 All-State Academic	Ben Freitag
'10 All-Lake Conference	Tim Kuzniar, Ben Skelly, Tyler Brekke Honorable Mention: Z. Braun, John Hayes, TJ Evanson, D. Hanson
'11 All-South Suburban	Tyler Brekke, A.J. Moore, Bret Piekarski, Austin Streit Honorable Mention: TJ Evanson, Gordon Kappers, Evan Cordell
'12 All-South Suburban	Austin Streit, Joel Klinkhammer, Zach Creighton, Dalton Lehnen Honorable Mention: Neil Engler, Adam Alexander, Jordan Jacobson
'13 All-South Suburban	Dalton Lehnen, Connor Christenson, Zach Creighton, Erik Rutt, AJ Sayer Honorable Mention: Jordan Jacobson, Nick Dorfman, Brandon Morgan
'13 All-State Tournament	Zach Creighton
'13 All-State Academic	Connor Christenson
'14 All-South Suburban	Dalton Lehnen, Angelo Altavilla, Nick Dorfman, AJ Sayer Honorable Mention: Wes Ahlers, Matt Arnold, Ben Jensen, Joe Haider
'14 All-State Tournament	Dalton Lehnen, AJ Sayer
'14 All-State	Dalton Lehnen, Nick Dorfman
'14 All-State Academic	AJ Sayer
'15 All-South Suburban	Angelo Altavilla, Nick Juaire, Joey Larson, Billy Riach Honorable Mention: Wes Ahlers, Brett Herber, Grant Gunderson
'15 All-State Tournament	Angelo Altavilla, Brett Herber, Nick Juaire
'15 All-State	Angelo Altavilla
'15 All-State Academic	Angelo Altavilla
'16 All-South Suburban	Nick Juaire, Billy Riach, Ross Bastyr, Joey Larson Honorable Mention: Tyler Fietek, Nick Spitt, Mitch Frederick
'16 All-State Tournament	Michael Dooney, Luke DeGrammont
'16 All-State	Billy Riach
'16 All-State Academic	Joey Larson
'17 All-South Suburban	Nick Juaire, Nick Spitt, Luke DeGrammont, Ryan Bastyr, Ross Bastyr Honorable Mention: Gavin Baker, Sean Flaherty, Nathaniel Peterson
'17 All-State Tournament	Nick Spitt, Gavin Baker
'17 All-State	Nick Juaire
'17 All-State Academic	Ross Bastyr
'18 All-South Suburban	Nick Juaire, Collin Denk, Nathaniel Peterson, Zach Breeden Honorable Mention: Gavin Baker, Patrick Timmer, Braden Walsh
'18 All-State Tournament	Collin Denk
'18 All-State	Nick Juaire, Nathaniel Peterson
'18 All-State Academic	Nick Juaire, Collin Denk
'18 StarTrib Player of the Year	Nick Juaire
'18 Pioneer Press P.O.Y.	Nick Juaire
'19 All-South Suburban	Gavin Baker, Ryan Sleeper, Devon Schewe Honorable Mention: Patrick Timmer, Tyler Wombacher, Peter Tveite
'19 All-State	Gavin Baker

LNHS NCAA DIVISION I BASEBALL HONOR ROLL (Since 2006)

Michael Kvasnicka	University of Minnesota	Nick Juaire	Texas Christian University/
Nick Judkins	Creighton University		University of Notre Dame
Nick Johnson	Bethune-Cookman University	Gavin Baker	Indiana State University
Glenn Parker	North Dakota State University	Ryan Sleeper	University of North Carolina/
Nick Altavilla	North Dakota State University		Dallas Baptist University
Dalton Lehnen	University of Cincinnati	Devon Schewe	University of St. Thomas
Angelo Altavilla	University of Nebraska	Nolan Johnson	North Dakota State University
Nathaniel Peterson	Oklahoma State University		

LAKEVILLE BASEBALL TEAM RECORDS

LHS/LNHS INDIVIDUAL & TEAM RECORDS (1989-2020)

HITS

Season	D. Olson '05, N. Juaire '18	42
Career	Nick Juaire '15-'18	125
Team	2005	298

DOUBLES

Season	Michael Dressen '04	15
Career	Andrew Hansen '03-'05	29
Team	2004	71

TRIPLES

Season	Nate Rasmussen '92	5
Career	Nate Rasmussen '90-'93	10
Team	1992	11

HOMERUNS

Season	Dylan Thomas '09	8
Career	Dylan Thomas '07-'09	16
Team	2007	22

BATTING AVG (50 PA/100 PA)

Season	Nick Juaire '18	.500
Career	David Olson '04-'05	.438
Team	2004 & 2018	.364

ON BASE % (50 PA/100 PA)

Season	Mike Kvasnicka '06	.612
Career	David Olson '04-'05	.521
Team	2018	.438

SLUGGING % (50 PA/100 PA)

Season	Mike Kvasnicka '06	.841
Career	David Olson '04-'05	.671
Team	2004	.552

WALKS

Season	Angelo Altavilla '15	31
Career	Nick Juaire '15-'18	75
Team	2008	135

HIT BY PITCH

Season	J. Arlt '01, M. Dooney '17	8
Career	John Arlt '00-'02	14
Team	2000	31

RUNS

Season	AJ Sayer '14	40
Career	Nick Judkins '06-'08	76
Team	2005	207

RUNS BATTED IN

Season	Angelo Altavilla '14	37
Career	Angelo Altavilla '13-'15	76
Team	2004	179

STOLEN BASES

Season	Tony Altavilla '05	19
Career	Andrew Hansen '03-'05	36
Team	2005	72

COMPLETE GAMES

Season	Andrew Vlasak '05	6
	Nick Dorfman '14	6
Career	Nick Dorfman '13-'14	10
Team	2005	15

EARNED RUN AVERAGE (22 IP/45 IP)

Season	John Hayes '09	0.57
Career	Nick Dorfman '13-'14	1.13
Team	2014	1.52

SAVES

Season	3 tied with	5
	(Parker '07, Gunderson '15, DeGrammont '16)	
Career	Glenn Parker '06-'08	6
Team	2007 & 2017	8

INNINGS PITCHED

Season	Chad Sleeper '99	77
Career	Dylan Thomas '07-'09	134
Team	2005	205.1

WINS

Season	Dalton Lehnen '14	10
Career	Dalton Lehnen '12-'14	18
Team	2005 & 2014	23

STRIKEOUTS

Season	Dalton Lehnen '14	99
Career	Dalton Lehnen '12-'14	173
Team	2018	247