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**STEPHEN-ARGYLE CENTRAL NAMED MINNESOTA FOOTBALL HONORS
MURRAY WARMATH LEGENDARY TEAM AWARD WINNER**

MINNEAPOLIS, MN - April 11, 2019 - The Stephen-Argyle community has been named the Murray Warmath Legendary Team Award recipient by the Minnesota Chapter of the National Football Foundation. The program will be recognized at the 12th Annual Minnesota Football Honors on Saturday, April 27 at U.S. Bank Stadium.

Stephen and Argyle are rural small towns in northwestern Minnesota. Decades ago the football team began practicing in the early morning before school due to players' farming obligations after school, and that tradition has continued to this day. The team's dedication has paid off. Individually and combined, Stephen and Argyle have 10 Minnesota State High School League championships.

Argyle won in 1981 and 1986, and Stephen won in 1992. Stephen-Argyle Central High School has seven titles since the former rivals consolidated. The Storm won its first combined title in 1999, and reigned as 9-man champion from 2003 to 2007. Stephen-Argyle's most recent state championship came in 2009. Its seven championships as one team are the third-most by any program in state history.

During its five-year dynasty, the Storm set a state record with 76 wins in a row. Stephen, Argyle and the consolidated Stephen-Argyle have made 27 state playoff appearances since 1980. State championship head coaches for these programs are Conrad Lubarski, Warren Keller, Jim Guetter and Mark Kroulik. Kroulik was head coach for seven of the 10 titles, including the streak of five in a row, and assisted in two others. He finished his coaching career with a 168-12 record.

The Minnesota Chapter of the National Football Foundation will host the 12th Annual Minnesota Football Honors on Saturday, April 27, 2019 at U.S. Bank Stadium. The event is presented by the Minnesota Vikings and is the largest football awards event in Minnesota. Doors open at 2 p.m. for the 4 p.m. event. The event is open to the public. For additional information about this year's Minnesota Football Honors and to purchase tickets, please visit www.minnesotafootballhonors.com. For sponsorship information, please email sean@nffmn.org.

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