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TRACY AREA HIGH SCHOOL'S LUCAS GERVAIS NAMED A MINNESOTA FOOTBALL HONORS SCHOLAR ATHLETE

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. – June 24, 2020 – Tracy Area High School's Lucas Gervais has been named a Scholar Athlete by the Minnesota Chapter of the National Football Foundation. This annual award honors Minnesota high school football players for their outstanding athletic, academic and community service accomplishments. Gervais, a Currie, Minn. native, is one of nine scholar athletes who will be recognized during a July television broadcast.

Gervais, a wide receiver, safety and punter for the Tracy Panthers, quickly moved up the school's record books. During his junior and senior seasons, the Panthers' star wide receiver led the team in receptions, receiving yards and touchdowns. Gervais was a key offensive playmaker and finished fifth in school history with 73 career receptions. He also posted 17 receiving touchdowns, which ranks fourth on the program's all-time list. In 2019, Gervais was recognized as a Southwest District East All-Sub District team member.

In the classroom, Gervais accumulated a 4.184 GPA and qualified for the Class AA Individual Academic All-State team. He also spent more than 600 hours working on various community service projects. Most notably, Gervais assisted the local food shelf, nursing homes and youth sports programs.

"His leadership role on our football team has only been exceeded by his leadership ability around our school and in our community," said Tracy Area High School head coach Jason Kainz. "He inspires his team to rise alongside of him, rather than leaving them behind."

Lucas lives more than 160 miles from Minneapolis and represents the southwest region of Minnesota.

Minnesota Football Honors is hosting a show to honor this year's high school, college and Minnesota Vikings award winners. The broadcast is set to air in July. Special guests, including Vikings players, are scheduled to make appearances. An official broadcast date will be announced soon on www.minnesotafootballhonors.com.

About the Minnesota Chapter of the National Football Foundation:

The Minnesota Chapter of The National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame is a local non-profit organization whose mission is to promote amateur football's ability to develop leadership, sportsmanship, competitive spirit and academic excellence in Minnesota's young people. The Minnesota Chapter recognizes legendary football icons, college football Hall of Famers and Minnesota's top high school and college football scholar athletes. For more information, visit www.nffmn.org, or Facebook ([@MNFootballHonors](https://www.facebook.com/MNFootballHonors)) and Twitter ([@NFFMN](https://twitter.com/NFFMN)).

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