

For Immediate Release



Algona

North Central Conference officially welcomes Eagle Grove, Forest City and Garner-Hayfield-Ventura

The North Central Conference (NCC) is thrilled to announce the addition of the Eagle Grove, Forest City, and Garner-Hayfield-Ventura Community School Districts. These districts will officially join the NCC after the conclusion of the 2025-2026 school year. Additionally, the Charles City Community School District will now join the conference earlier than planned, beginning in the 2026-2027 school year.



Clarion-Goldfield-Dows

The NCC Executive Board believes these new member schools will bring enhanced stability, improved competitive balance, and expanded opportunities for recognizing students' achievements across academics, fine arts, student activities, and athletics.



Clear Lake

With the inclusion of these schools, the NCC will evolve into a twelve-team conference, utilizing divisions for specific athletic programs based on enrollment. Detailed plans regarding division structures and celebrations of student accomplishments will be shared in the coming months as our educational leaders work collaboratively to finalize the transition.



Hampton Dumont/CAL

To ensure a dynamic and adaptable conference structure, the NCC Executive Board will propose new bylaws. These include a provision to restructure divisions based on enrollment every four years. Additionally, any school petitioning to join the NCC will initially be placed in the Tradition Division, while current member schools will retain the flexibility to transition between the Tradition and Pride Divisions before new members are integrated.



Humboldt

Proposed Divisions Based on Enrollment

Using enrollment data from the Basic Educational Data Survey (BEDS) for grades 9-11 and a three-year enrollment average, the proposed divisions are as follows:



Iowa Falls/Alden



St. Edmond



Webster City



Algona



Clarion-Goldfield-Dows



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NCC - Tradition Division

School	21-22 HS BEDS	22-23 HS BEDS	23-24 HS BEDS	AVE.
Webster City	457	424	407	429.33
Charles City	397	399	383	393.00
Humboldt	371	384	350	368.33
Algona	335	359	352	348.67
Hampton-Dumont-CAL	324	360	344	342.67
Clear Lake	315	354	356	341.67

NCC - Pride Division

School	21-22 HS BEDS	22-23 HS BEDS	23-24 HS BEDS	AVE.
Iowa Falls - Alden	319	288	283	296.67
Forest City	255	246	239	246.67
Clarion-Goldfield-Dows	226	270	229	241.67
Eagle Grove	208	237	249	231.33
Garner-Hayfield-Ventura	230	232	223	228.33
St. Edmond's	120	115	118	117.67

This expansion represents an exciting opportunity to grow our conference and enrich the experiences of our students, staff, and communities. We look forward to the positive impact this partnership will bring.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the NCC and its mission to foster excellence across all aspects of student life.