

SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2023
SPORTS
STAR TRIBUNE • C7




# PREPS




### ADAPTED FLOOR HOCKEY

## Unbeaten Brainerd, Burnsville capture PI, CI Division titles

*By HEATHER HOLE - Special to the Star Tribune*

Brainerd seventh-grader Aiden Olson scored game-tying and overtime goals to win state championship Saturday for boys.

The last goal was what he called "almost a fluky shot."

"It bounced between his hands on the wheel chair to get in," Olson said. "Honestly, I'm still a little dizzy about it."

Brainerd (D-1) defeated Dakota United 4-3 in overtime to win the PI Division adapted floor hockey state championship Saturday at Hennepin Park High School. The Warriors lost to Dakota United (D-2) in last year's title game.

Olson tied the game with 1 minute, 43 seconds left in regulation before setting the game-winning 102 into overtime. His older brother, freshman Owen Olson, scored in the second period for a 2-0 Brainerd lead.

Aiden, a student manager last season, has "just been trying to be able to be eligible to play" and was finally able to this season, Brainerd coach Paul Peterson said. Aiden scored five goals in the team's first game of the season and didn't slow Peterson added.

"For him to come out in this game with the pressure that was there, it was just great to watch him respond," Peterson said. Brainerd was up 2-0 before Dakota United rallied for a 3-2 lead. It was the first time the Warriors trailed all season.

**Burnsville/Farmington/Lakeville wins**

Junior Caden Roseth scored nine goals to lead his team's dominating offense in a 15-0 victory for Burnsville/Farmington/Lakeville over New Prague/TCU/LSU/Belle Plaine/Jordan (B) in the CI Division championship.

"I felt good, because I was ready," said Roseth, who practices with the team in addition to practicing with his family at Life Time Fitness.

Roseth factored in 11 goals for the Blazing Cats (B-1), who scored eight of their goals in the second period. Senior August Figueroa assisted on Roseth's first three goals and helped that down the Ducks by his aid, "just staying on them and just keeping an eye on them."

Junior Riley Doucch completed his hat trick in the third period for the Blazing Cats. Coach David Doherty didn't expect so many goals from his team against New Prague's "very good defense."

"I knew we had some good shooters, but definitely a surprise," Doherty said.

### RESULTS

#### SATURDAY

#### BASKETBALL - BOYS

**CLASS 1A**

- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3
- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3

**CLASS 2A**

- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3
- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3

**CLASS 3A**

- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3
- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3

**CLASS 4A**

- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3
- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3

**CLASS 5A**

- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3
- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3

**CLASS 6A**

- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3
- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3

**CLASS 7A**

- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3
- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3

**CLASS 8A**

- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3
- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3

**CLASS 9A**

- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3
- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3

**CLASS 10A**

- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3
- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3

**CLASS 11A**

- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3
- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3

**CLASS 12A**

- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3
- Brainerd 4, Dakota United 3

### BOYS BASKETBALL STATE TOURNAMENT

## Park Center seeded first in Class 4A, plays Andover first

Totino-Grace was No. 1 in Class 3A, Holy Family in Class 2A and Russell-Tyler-Rushton in Class 1A.

**STAFF REPORTS**

Park Center, two three-point losses from a perfect season, received the top seed for the Class 4A boys basketball state tournament that starts Tuesday.

The other top seeds revealed Saturday by the Minnesota State High School League were Totino-Grace in Class 3A, Holy Family in Class 2A and Russell-Tyler-Rushton in Class 1A.

Park Center was its first 22 games this season and its final 19 of 2022-23, including the Class 4A final against Wyanza. A 75-70 loss to visiting Elk River on Feb. 24 ended the winning streak at 41 games, and a week later the Pirates lost 64-44 at Maple Grove. They bounced back in the Section 5 tournament, winning by an average of 21 points per game.

Park Center opens the tournament against Andover (22-7) for the second year in a row. The Hawks and Pirates, both members of the Northwest Suburban, played 16-21 at Andover with Park Center winning 97-91.

Totino-Grace went 28-8 in the regular season, playing a schedule hardenred by Class 4A schools, many of them its opponents in the Northwest Suburban. They're not a bad loss among the eight on its resume.

Three of the Eagles' losses were to prominent programs from Arizona, Iowa and Wisconsin, two were in Park Center, and two others were to teams also in the Class 4A state tournament this season, Lakeville North and Minnetonka.

Totino-Grace's other loss was to Osseo, which reached the Class 4A Section 5 tournament final. The Eagles won their Section 4 tournament games by an average of 35 points.

Holy Family is 22-2, with losses to Park Center and to state tournament qualifier Alexandria, seeded fifth in Class 3A. Holy Family also dominated its section tournament, winning Section 5 games by an average of 28.5 points.

Russell-Tyler-Rushton (28-3) suffered its only loss in the Camden Conference tournament final, 72-70 to Transwound. Revenge was taken in the Section 3 championship game, won 63-45 by Russell-Tyler-Rushton.



AARON JANTZEN/ASAP/STARBIBUNE.COM

Providence Academy guard Maddyn Greenway (16) and guard Brooke Hohenecker (1) celebrated with teammates as the Lions wrapped up their 74-60 victory over Albany to win the Class 2A state title.

## Daughter of ex-Viking is making her own multisport name

**• SCORING FROM CI**

She led the state this season in scoring and assists and finished fifth in steals. As a freshman.

"She's special," Albany coach Aaron Boyum said.

The girls hired a new women's coach Saturday morning in West Virginia's Dawn Pittman. Before even moving into her new office, she should schedule a visit to the Greenway home for a formal introduction. And brush up on her Vikings football history.

My reaction to watching Greenway's dad, Chad, was a fiery competitor in his 11 seasons as a Vikings linebacker. His wife, Jenn, was a track star at the University of Iowa. Their oldest child displays both of their athletic traits on the basketball court.

"She competes really hard," Chad said.

Not just in basketball. Maddyn also is a standout soccer player, and she won a state track medal as a member of Providence Academy's winning 4x100 relay team last spring.

"Her plans to continue to play three sports," her dad said.

My reaction to watching Greenway play basketball for the first time at the state tournament was the same as my first impression of Paige Buckner as an eighth-grader at Hopkins.

Whoa. This is different. Greenway's skill level is unique. What stands out beyond that is her toughness and confidence. She plays fearless, which makes it easy to forget that she still isn't a freshman.

Division I scholarship offers are rolling in already. Listed at 5-8, Greenway might look like a height for an elite-level point guard, but she is a blur on the court. She plays faster than every-one else and she never stops pushing the pace.

Does that speed come from her mom, the track star?

"We have three state records in my family in track in South Dakota," Chad noted. "The Greenway side has speed spread (laugh)."

Greenway, the dad, has expressed himself in girls' basketball since retiring from football. He said his "first job" post-football was to oversee the Wyanza girls' youth basketball association. He's been president for six years.

"What I realized is how talented Minnesota girls' basketball is," he said. "Every time you go play somebody, there is a Division II or Division I girl on almost every roster."

The Greenways enrolled their kids in Providence Academy so that all four girls can be together in the same school building. Besides Maddyn, they also have a state-grader, second-grader and kindergarten.

Sister Beckett will be a seventh-grader next year and the plan is for her to play varsity basketball with Maddyn.

Providence Academy, in Plymouth, was founded in 2001 so its athletic profile is still relatively narrow. The dominance in girls' basketball spurred by Greenway's arrival could dil-

DeLisalle's run of championships, though Albany and Minnetonka Academy will push them for supremacy. In fact, Albany led the title game at halftime.

Greenway took over in the second half with her defense and relentless speed to create scoring opportunities for herself and teammates. She finished with 31 points, five rebounds, five steals and four assists.

She will rest on Sunday. That's not her season starts.

"We'll still be celebrating," she said. "The year track practice Monday."

dip.stg@startribune.com