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Camdenton is known as one of the premier school districts in the state of Missouri. We are fortunate to have first-class facilities, thanks to the support of our patrons. Our district is ready to surpass last year’s accomplishments this school term whether it be on the field, on the court, or in the classroom. **“Purple Pride”** runs deep in our community and we thank you for your support of our students and staff.

Please continue to support our students and sponsors by displaying positive Laker Pride. Your example assists our students to continue the proud traditions of **“Laker Nation.”** Our entire school community encourages you to enjoy our activities. We teach, we learn, and we build relationships as Lakers through the activities highlighted in this wonderful publication. We look forward to cheering with you to support our amazing students.

It’s a Great Day to be a Laker!

Tim Hadfield, Superintendent



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Welcome to Camdenon High School

“Home of the Lakers” Brett Thompson, Principal



Welcome to Camdenon High School, *Home of the Lakers!* It is an exciting time to be a Laker, and we are looking forward to a successful season of CHS activities. With the hard work and commitment of our students, coaches, and sponsors we are sure to continue that winning Laker tradition.

As we look forward to a new year of activities, we want to thank our community for the continuous support provided to our students and our school. By working together, we are sure to maintain a positive learning community for our students and help them achieve great successes both in the classroom and on the field.

The mission of Camdenon High School is to provide students with a relevant and rigorous educational

experience, helping them acquire the knowledge and skills to successfully become college and career ready in a global society. Extra-curricular programs are an extension of the classroom, and they play a significant role in achieving this mission. Participation in these activities allows students to realize the importance of individual responsibility, competition, and teamwork, all of which will contribute to their future accomplishments. Through their commitment to team success, students learn valuable lessons regarding character and sportsmanship that not only help them succeed on the field of play, but also provide them experiences that allow them to become productive citizens and adults.

I encourage you to continue to support our students and recognize their efforts by displaying that positive *“Laker Pride”* for your school, your teams, and your community. We look forward to seeing you at our events this year. **Go Lakers!!!**

Jeff Whitney, Director of Athletics and Activities



Welcome to the *Home of the Lakers!* My name is Jeff Whitney and I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome our fans and guests to another great year of activities. As the Director of Athletics and Activities I am always excited about a new school year and the upcoming activities and events that come with it!

You may notice a new sport on the schedule this year. The Lakers have added Swimming to its list of fall and winter sports! As some of you may know, over the past several years many of our students have participated in Lake Area club swim programs. Now our young men and women have the opportunity to swim for the Lakers in addition to these teams! Our boys' season will be during the fall and our girls will swim during the winter season.

Extra-curricular activities play a very special part in our school's educational program. Our school and community are dedicated to our students' pursuit of excellence and the values taught by interscholastic competition. The playing field is viewed as an extension of the classroom where lessons about sportsmanship, self-discipline, and perseverance are often learned. In addition, these competitive endeavors offer opportunities for students from diverse backgrounds to learn the value of teamwork, cooperation, and mutual respect. We know it is qualities such as these that will help develop the productive citizens and sound leadership of tomorrow.

As spectators, we too are an important part of this “classroom” and the lessons taught. We should always remember that our actions will speak much louder than our words. With this in mind, it is essential that we serve as positive role models for our student body. Officials, coaches and student athletes will often fall short of perfection; this is to be expected. Enjoy the contests scheduled this season - our students, coaches, and officials have worked extremely hard to give their best performance. **Go Lakers!!!**

Laker Basketball

Coach Jared O'Quinn begins his fourth year as head coach of the Lakers Basketball program. The 2016-2017 Lakers feature a great mix of returning lettermen and newcomers that should provide for an entertaining season. The commitment level of this off-season was great and we are confident that will help us in Conference and District play. The Ozark Conference is tough as always, but we feel our experience and our depth will help us compete each and every game.

"The make-up of our basketball team will be a little different for the 2016-2017 season as compared to years past. We have relied heavily on senior leadership the past three seasons; having only two seniors will be an adjustment, but I know our guys are ready for the challenge. Our underclassmen are inexperienced on the court, but have put in a lot of work this off-season and are excited for the opportunities ahead. I'm excited as a coach because I feel that our practices should be highly competitive and our team has a number of players who will be asked to contribute at the varsity level. Here at Camdenton, we have high-character student/athletes who work really hard on and off the court. I am extremely proud of our improvement so far and I know our community will be as well," states Coach O'Quinn.

The varsity Lakers feature three returning lettermen who are determined to prove that they are ready to take the Laker Basketball program to the next level. This season's returning lettermen include: seniors Dyllan Decker and Hunter Glynn and junior Conner Graves. This year's team also has several newcomers at the varsity level, including: juniors Isaiah Lumley, Grant Norton, Austin Carter, and Garrett Gollhofer, sophomores Keegan Ford and Kelton Virtue and freshman Brandon Pasley. We are expecting these players to step up and make the jump to the next level this season and keep our expectations at a high level.

"Our expectations don't change from year to year; we expect our student/athletes to represent our great school in a positive manner. Our seniors are looking forward to the task of leading their teammates on and off the court. Our identity is associated with how hard we work on and off the court. As a team, we know we have to outwork our opponents each and every game to achieve our goals and that is our mindset from day one. We want our players to be selfless --- make the extra pass, set great screens, do the little things --- and we think if our players can do this, it will put us in a good situation to win ball games," enthuses Coach O'Quinn.

Kirk Richey will once again lead the junior varsity. The JV will be lead by: junior Jesse Walker and sophomores Dylan Thompson, Luke Eveland, David Smith, Riley Head, and Kyle Boatman. Coach Richey is very important to the success of the Laker Basketball program, as he is one of the best in the state in preparing student athletes for the next level. His knowledge and enthusiasm for the game is contagious and the players will gain from that throughout the season.

The freshman Lakers will be coached by Chad Brauer. Coach Brauer is in his fifth year of coaching freshman basketball and does a great job of introducing them to high school basketball and helping each player enhance their skill level. Our coaching staff is really excited about this group of incoming freshmen and feel that they will be assets to the Laker Basketball program for years to come.

The Laker coaching staff will once again be assisted by Paul Sutton this season; we are excited about what new opportunities this has added for the players. Coach Sutton will assist at all levels and will aid in player development and game preparation.

The Camdenton Laker Basketball program would like to thank the parents, fans, community, and our great school for their continued support. The players and coaches are excited about the 2016-2017 season and we hope to see you at the games.



Laker All-State Basketball Players

Jim Ball	1939
Carl Jeffries	1939
Homer Miller (Second Team)	1939
Clinton Ruble	1941
Wayne Huddleston	1942
Gene Ruble (Third Team)	1942
Tom Edwards (Honorable Mention)	1942
Joe Reiter	1953
Roy Green (Honorable Mention)	1961
Roy Green	1962
Mark Kelley	1978
Doug Foster	1982
Rodney Noel	1983
Allen Jeffries (Second Team)	1991
Brad Moulder (Second Team)	1995
Jeff Carey	1997



Academic All-State

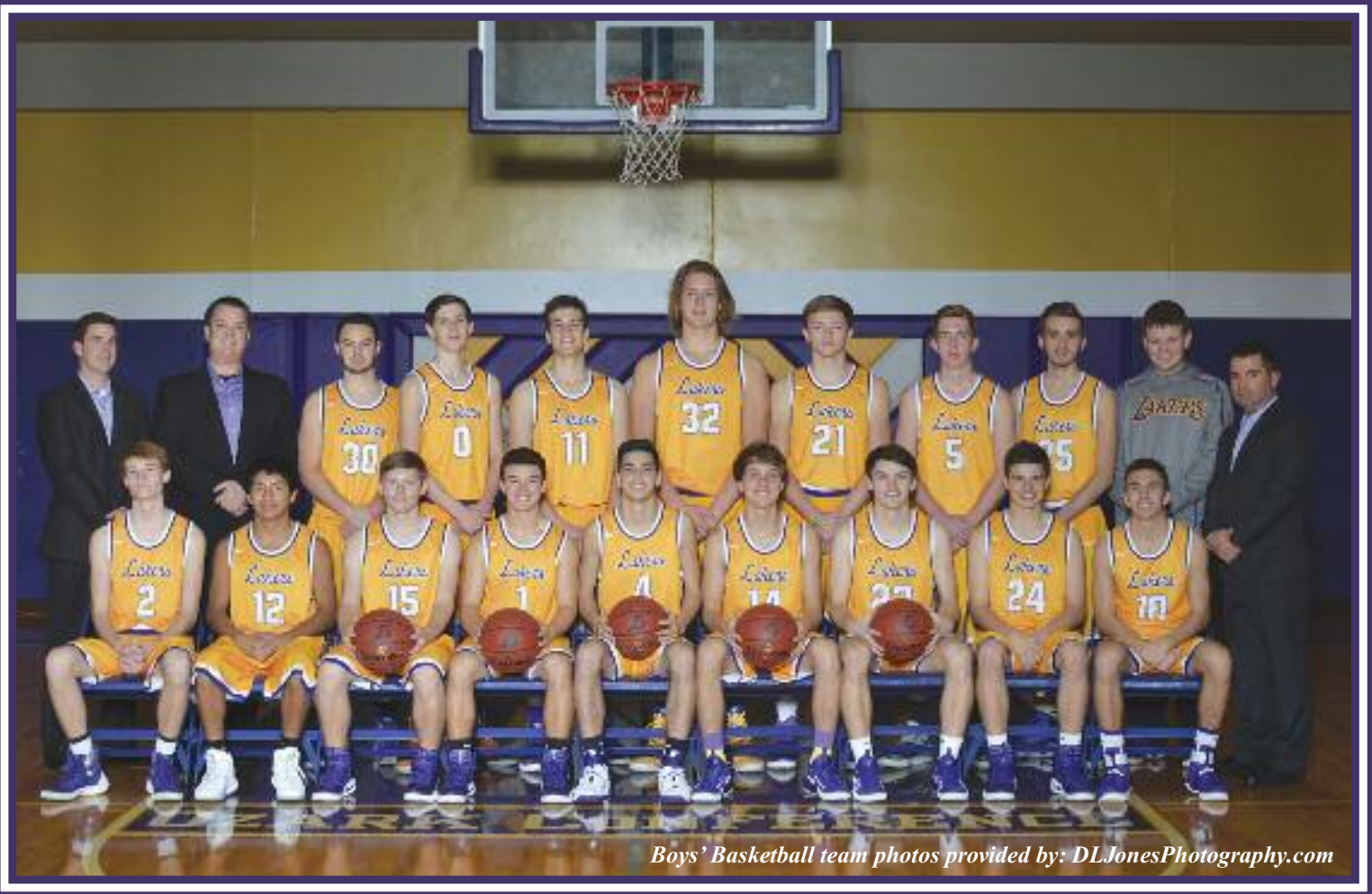
Jeff Carey	1997
Charlie Taylor	1997
Tim Cooper	1998
Matt Brock	2001
Bobby Johnson	2014

State Championships

1939 1941

District Championships

1939, 1941, 1942, 1950, 1953, 1960, 1961, 1972, 1977, 1980, 1982



Boys' Basketball team photos provided by: DLJonesPhotography.com

Laker Basketball 2016-17

Varsity / JV Roster

0	Kelton Virtue	6'1"	10
1	Brandon Pasley	5'8"	9
2	Keegan Ford	6'0"	10
4	Hunter Glynn	6'0"	12
5	Luke Eveland	6'0"	10
10	Isaiah Lumley	5'10"	11
11	Garrett Gollither	6'1"	11
12	David Smith	5'8"	10

14	Austin Carter	5'11"	11
15	Kyle Boatman	5'8"	10
21	Dyllan Decker	6'3"	12
22	Connor Graves	5'11"	11
24	Dylan Thompson	5'11"	10
25	Riley Head	6'1"	10
30	Jesse Walker	6'0"	11
32	Grant Norton	6'7"	11

Student Assistants - Mary Amerine, Megan Jessey, Presley Puig, Bobby Swann, Hadley Williams, and McKenna Wirths

#4 Hunter Glynn

"Basketball has been my life since I was four years old. It's a weird feeling saying that this is my last season as a Laker. I want to thank the fans, all of my coaches, and most importantly, my teammates, for helping me become a better person and player throughout the years. I'll never forget my time here."



#21 Dyllan Decker (Team Captain)

"Being a part of this program and putting in work to turn it around the last six years is an amazing feeling. We are going to surprise a lot of people this upcoming season and are extremely excited to do so. We have quite a few guys this year who are ready to step up to the plate and produce, and Coach O'Quinn has done a great job of getting us ready for the moment. For my senior year, I want to give this program the legacy of our first District title under Coach O'Quinn, and am fully committed to doing anything to get my team over the top."





Varsity/ JV Schedule

Dec. 6	Eldon	H	5:30
Dec. 9	Helias	T	5:30
Dec. 13	Marshfield	H	4:30
Dec. 20	Osage	H	4:30
Dec. 26-29	Blue and Gold Tourn.	Spfd.	TBA
Jan. 6	Parkview*	H	4:30
Jan. 10	Glendale*	T	4:30
Jan. 13	Joplin*	T	4:30
Jan. 17	Bolivar	T	4:30
Jan. 20	West Plains*	H	4:30
Jan. 21	Laker Shootout	H	TBA
Jan. 25-28	Bolivar Tourn.	T	TBA
1/30, 2/1, 2/2	Helias Tourn. (JV)	T	TBA
Jan. 31	Kickapoo*	T	4:30
Feb. 7	Waynesville*	H	5:30
Feb. 10	Rolla*	T	5:30
Feb. 14	Columbia Battle	T	5:00
Feb. 17	Hillcrest*	H	4:30
Feb. 21	Lebanon*	H	4:30
2/25-3/3	Districts	W-ville	TBA

* Conference Games





Freshman Roster

3	Kinzell Staniel	5'10"
4	Colton Walter	5'10"
5	Paxton DeLaurent	6'1"
10	Spencer Melville	5'10"
11	Jeremaya Bell	5'10"
14	Rocky Jennings	5'9"
15	Payton Sapp	6'1"
20	Andrew DiBello	5'8"
21	Tate Looney	6'0"
22	Tyler Hunter	5'11"
24	Emmitt Reynolds	6'2"
30	Treyvor Watson	6'3"
32	Bobby Swann	6'2"
33	Drake Miller	5'10"



Freshman Schedule

Dec. 5, 7, 10	Osage Tourn.	T	TBA
Dec. 13	Marshfield	H	4:30
Dec. 20	Osage	H	4:30
Jan. 3	Osage	H	5:30
Jan. 5	Jefferson City	T	5:30
Jan. 6	Parkview	H	4:30
Jan. 10	Glendale	T	4:30
Jan. 13	Joplin	T	4:30
Jan. 17	Bolivar	T	5:00
Jan. 19	Helias	T	5:30
Jan. 20	West Plains	H	4:30
Jan. 23	Rolla	H	5:30
Jan. 26	Waynesville	T	5:30
Jan. 31	Kickapoo	T	4:30
Feb. 2-11	Waynesville Tourn.	T	TBA
Feb. 14	Columbia Battle	T	5:00
Feb. 17	Hillcrest	H	4:30
Feb. 21	Lebanon	H	4:30

Lady Laker Basketball

"I cannot believe this is my fifth year... they are not kidding when they say time flies when you're having fun, and that is exactly how I would define my last four years here as the Lady Laker Basketball coach. Each season has not only been filled with blood, sweat, and tears, but we have had our share of fun and excitement --- such as winning Districts, being Ozark Conference Champs, taking home the Elite 8 Arkansas Invitational Championship trophy, as well as delivering winning seasons each year. I have had the opportunity to coach some outstanding young ladies who have left a huge impact on my life; this returning group is no different. These six varsity returners (seniors Blair Kurtz and Tegan Shockley, juniors Coley Rezabek, Kylie Meier, and Abbie Miller, and sophomore Natalie Basham) bring so much energy and heart to the game, they will be fun to not only coach but to watch play. With losing some of last season's key players and size, we will need some big play from these ladies, along with some of our younger players who are really working hard to get some time on the varsity court. As a coach, it is always exciting to see who steps up into specific roles and to watch them develop not only as individuals, but as a team," enthuses Head Coach Staci Caffey.

Each year we make it our goal to raise our level of play. These young ladies are doing everything needed to continue to establish a strong tradition for Lady Laker Basketball. With the leaders we have, expectations for a great season are high.

We are fortunate to have a very skilled returning coaching staff this season. Sarah Jenkins will be starting her fifth year as the junior varsity coach and Daniel Moulder will be starting his third year as the freshman girls' coach. All of the coaches have high expectations for each of our athletes. Coach Jenkins and Coach Moulder are always willing to put in the time to make each athlete better day in and day out.

A couple of years ago, we started challenging the players to score 30,000 points between the end of the season and opening day of practice the following season. If they do, they get incentives throughout the season. We call this our 30k club. Players who have made the 30k club are:

2014-15: Bailey Rezabek, Sophie Shore, Alyssa Ripley, Kendall Spraggins, Blair Kurtz

2015-16: Bailey Rezabek, Sophie Shore, Alyssa Ripley, Kendall Spraggins, Blair Kurtz, Coley Rezabek, Natalie Basham

2016-17: Blair Kurtz, Tegan Shockley, Coley Rezabek, Natalie Basham, Shelby Kurtz

Sarah Jenkins, JV coach, shares season expectations: *"We are building such an amazing tradition here with our Lady Laker Basketball team. As the JV coach and assistant varsity coach, I feel it is my job to help build and carry on this tradition for each individual as an athlete, and as a team. I want to provide the opportunity to grow as athletes to be prepared and ready to take on the competitive play at the varsity level. We have very tough Conference and District play, and as varsity players it is even more competitive, therefore my junior varsity team needs to be prepared and ready to take on these competitors in the near future. This year my expectations for the JV team is to grow physically stronger and gain a greater understanding of the game itself. I want our athletes to be their best possible selves as not only athletes but also as members of our team and community.*

They are a young and inexperienced JV team this year; their hustle, determination, and desire to learn the game are great assets. These ladies are always ready to step on the court and take on the varsity and to do what is needed to be successful. I want my girls to be fundamentally sound on the court. The use of these fundamentals is the core for making a disciplined athlete and an effective team. We have been focusing on these fundamentals, their shooting, and solid defense. My goal is to create a solid defensive team that will be able to put pressure on teams and create points out of our strong play.

Finally, I think one of the most important jobs as the coach of these young women athletes is to be a good role model and to encourage and expect them to be great members of our community. I want and expect my athletes to be role models in our school community and I want to see them become amazing and strong young ladies."

Daniel Moulder, freshman coach, sets goals:

"For the upcoming 2016-2017 basketball season, there are specific expectations that I have for the freshman girls' team. The first expectation is that no matter what, we as a team, give our best effort in practice and in games to improve aspects of each individual's game. I expect the girls to learn the importance of hard work and how to work together as a team to accomplish a goal. Each player should set an individual goal for this year as well as a team goal. I also have the expectation of being a leader to my girls and setting an example for them to follow. Overall, I am not looking at our win-loss record as a way to evaluate our success, but how well we improve from the start of the year all the way until the end of the year. Each one of the freshman players should become a role model on and off the court to show a good representation of the Camdenton girls' basketball program. Most importantly, I want the players to have fun playing the game of basketball and work to improve for years to come."



Lady Laker Seniors



3 Blair Kurtz

"My freshman year, we were Conference champs. My sophomore year, we were District champs. My junior year, we won the Elite Eight Tournament in Arkansas. I've spent an uncountable amount of hours in the gym. I've run. I've had many team sleepovers. I've sprinted through the fanciest hotel I've ever stayed in because Coach wanted to

play hide and seek. I've won countless games. I've lost countless games too. I've laughed and I've cried. I've been sore and injured. But, I've never been better, I've never been happier, I've never been prouder to call myself a Lady Laker Basketball player. This program has meant more to me than I can explain --- I'll always bleed purple and gold."



#4 Tegan Shockley

"Where to begin... let's start with freshman year. There were mountains, and bricks, and sweat, and the occasional meltdown. Basketball is a demanding sport, but it is worth it. My seasons here at Camdenton High School have pushed me beyond what I thought was possible. It's so exciting to see all our hard work in practice pay off. The most valuable thing I've received from basketball is friendship. I have the opportunity to play with amazing girls whom I call friends. We have an unbreakable bond because of all the morning practices, the injuries, the tournaments, and all the stories. Now that my senior year has come, I realize it's my last go around. All of these "lasts" are really starting to hit me. Despite this being my final season, I am approaching everything happily and can't wait to see what the year holds."

Varsity Roster

3	Blair Kurtz	5'3"	P/G	12
4	Tegan Shockley	5'7"	F	12
5	Shelby Kurtz	5'5"	G	9
11	Coley Rezabek	5'10"	F	11
12	Kylie Meier	5'9.5"	C	11
13	Darby Roam	5'3"	G	10
21	Sabrina Schesnol	5'9"	C	10
22	Jessica Watson	5'4"	G	10
24	Abbie Miller	5'7.5"	G	11
25	Megan Vest	5'9"	C	9
33	Natalie Basham	5'9"	G	10
35	Taylor Laufer	5'7"	F	11



JUNIOR VARSITY

JV Roster

5	Shelby Kurtz	5'5"	PG	9
10	Korrin Lembke	5'3"	PG/G	9
13	Darby Roam	5'3"	PG	10
15	Clare Holmes	5'9"	G	10
20	Raegan Waters	5'6"	G	9
21	Sabrina Schesnol	5'9"	C	10
22	Jessica Watson	5'4"	G	10
25	Megan Vest	5'9"	C	9
30	Karli Wolfe	5'10"	C	9
35	Taylor Laufer	5'7"	F	11
40	Amy Miller	5'8"	F	10
45	Dakota Brumley	6'0"	C	11

Varsity/JV Schedule

Nov. 18	Jamboree	W-ville	TBA
Nov. 22	Marshfield	T	5:00
Nov. 29	Helias	H	4:30
Dec. 1-3	Rogers Tourn. (V)	T	TBA
Dec. 12	Osage	H	4:30
Dec. 15	Columbia Battle	H	4:30
Dec. 19	Hillcrest*	H	4:30
Dec. 27-30	Pink and White Spfd.	T	TBA
Jan. 4, 7	Waynesville Tourn. (JV)	T	TBA
Jan. 5	Central	T	5:30
Jan. 9	West Plains*	T	4:30
Jan. 12	Joplin*	H	4:30
Jan. 16-19	Bolivar Tourn.	T	TBA
Jan. 26	Parkview*	T	5:30
Jan. 28	Laker Shootout	H	6:00
Jan. 30	Kickapoo*	H	4:30
Feb. 2	Glendale*	H	4:30
Feb. 6	Waynesville*	T	4:30
Feb. 9	Rolla*	H	4:30
Feb. 13	Lebanon*	T	4:30
Feb. 20	Bolivar	H	5:30
Feb. 25-Mar. 3	Districts	W-ville	TBA

* Conference Games



Camdenton Lady Laker All-State Basketball Players

1979 Suzy Barcomb 1993 Amy Kurtz
1985 Stacey Miller 1998 Theresa Hayes
1986 Sherri Gentry

Ozark Conference Championships
2014, 2015

District Championships - Class 3A
1979, 1984, 1985, 2015

State Tournament Final Four
1979 4th Place



Ladies' Basketball photos provided by: DLJonesPhotography.com

Freshman Roster

3	Aubrey Enos	5'6"	G
4	Karlie Wolfe	5'10"	C
5	Clare Holmes	5'6"	G
10	Korrin Lembke	5'3"	G
12	Raegan Waters	5'6"	G
13	Jayden Payton	5'7"	F
23	Kelsey Farris	5'3"	G
40	Gabi Borbe	5'3"	G
42	Ali Crowell	5'7"	C

FRESHMAN TEAM

Freshman Schedule

Nov. 22	Marshfield	T	5:00
Nov. 29	Helias	H	4:30
Dec. 12	Osage	H	4:30
Dec. 19	Hillcrest	T	4:30
Jan. 9	West Plains	T	4:30
Jan. 12	Joplin	H	4:30
Jan. 30	Kickapoo	H	4:30
Feb. 2	Glendale	H	4:30
Feb. 6	Waynesville	T	4:30
Feb. 9	Rolla	H	4:30
Feb. 13	Lebanon	T	4:30



Pictured: Head Coach Staci Caffey, center;
Junior Varsity Coach Sarah Jenkins, left; and
Freshman Coach Daniel Moulder, right.



Camdenton Laker Wrestling

“Once you have wrestled, everything else is easy.”

- Dan Gable

Wrestling is a sport like no other. It is one of the oldest sports in the history of mankind, pitting man vs. man with nothing but one’s own skill and strength to defeat the opponent. It takes a special individual to put his/her mind and body through the grueling training this sport requires. It is not a sport for the weak minded.

Coming off the best season in Camdenton Laker Wrestling history, the Laker grapplers are looking to continue where they left off last season. The 2015-2016 season ended on a high note for the team as David Prather (132 lb. junior), Daniel Meier (160 lb. senior), and Josh Keys (heavyweight senior) all qualified for the State tournament. Senior Daniel Meier and Josh Keys brought home State medals with Meier finishing fourth and Keys finishing third. These three had a combined record of 9-5 with all nine wins being won by pin and finishing in 12th place as a team.

This year our seniors are as strong as a senior class can be, with Keegan Darby and Giusep Lopez-Ramirez returning to the team. The seniors will look to make their statement as a team with two returning State qualifiers being accompanied by the very talented Zion Vasquez, Alex Jimenez, Brandon Finley, and Reese Negri. These guys have spent several years together as a team, barring injuries and hardships, and will be the wrestlers leading the way for the Laker Wrestling program.

The juniors are led by Winton Neal and Blake Lapine and also gain numbers with Jesus Ramirez, Mason Tibben, and transfer Gabe Blain joining the class and looking to be major point scorers for the team. These three additions will join the small junior class to bring a high level of intensity and experience to the program.

The sophomore class sees a few new faces as well. Ryan Rothove looks to come back from last year’s season-ending injury and take control of the 120 weight class. Newcomers include Tyler Damery, Seamus Lamb, and Chris Morgan. These guys are the future of the program and it will be a bright future for the team as the numbers continue to grow.

The incoming freshmen have definitely shown their skill and dedication. These individuals have had a peek of what it is going to take to be a high school wrestler and they are pushing themselves to get better. This year’s freshmen include: Angelo Alfano, Abbie Cordia, Reese Esqueda, Dylan Frey, Jacob Fuglsang, Ethan Harris, Wyatt Jackson, Bryce Leuenberger, Colton Libby, Jonathan Lyles, Elias Ramirez, Talon Randazzo, Ethan Reinhart, Braiden Spangler, Wyatt Stamper, Jake Thoenen, and Jacob Ziegler.

This team has put in countless hours of work in the off season. We hosted a freestyle and Greco-Roman tournament in the spring, as well as competed in the Show-Me State Games, bringing home three medals. There is no cheating this sport. You will only get out what you put into it and you will only be given what you have earned. This sport requires great discipline and dedication to be successful. These individuals put themselves through a very tough mentally and physically challenging exercise regimen, they beat on each other in practice and pick themselves up off the mat to come back for more. When wrestlers lose, there is no one else to blame but themselves, and when they win they thank everyone who pushed them. This sport not only teaches great character, but brings it out in all of us as we all experience the highs and lows and are there to pick our teammates up when they are down and to celebrate with them when they succeed.

Wrestling Seniors



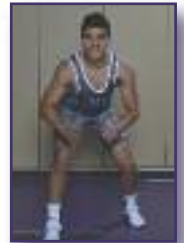
Keegan Darby

“If you cannot stop thinking about it, don’t stop working for it.”



Alex Jimenez

“It is not about the will to win that matters, everyone has that. It is the the will to prepare to win that matters.”



Giusep Lopez-Ramirez

“Proud but never satisfied.”



Brandon Finley

Quotes Unavailable



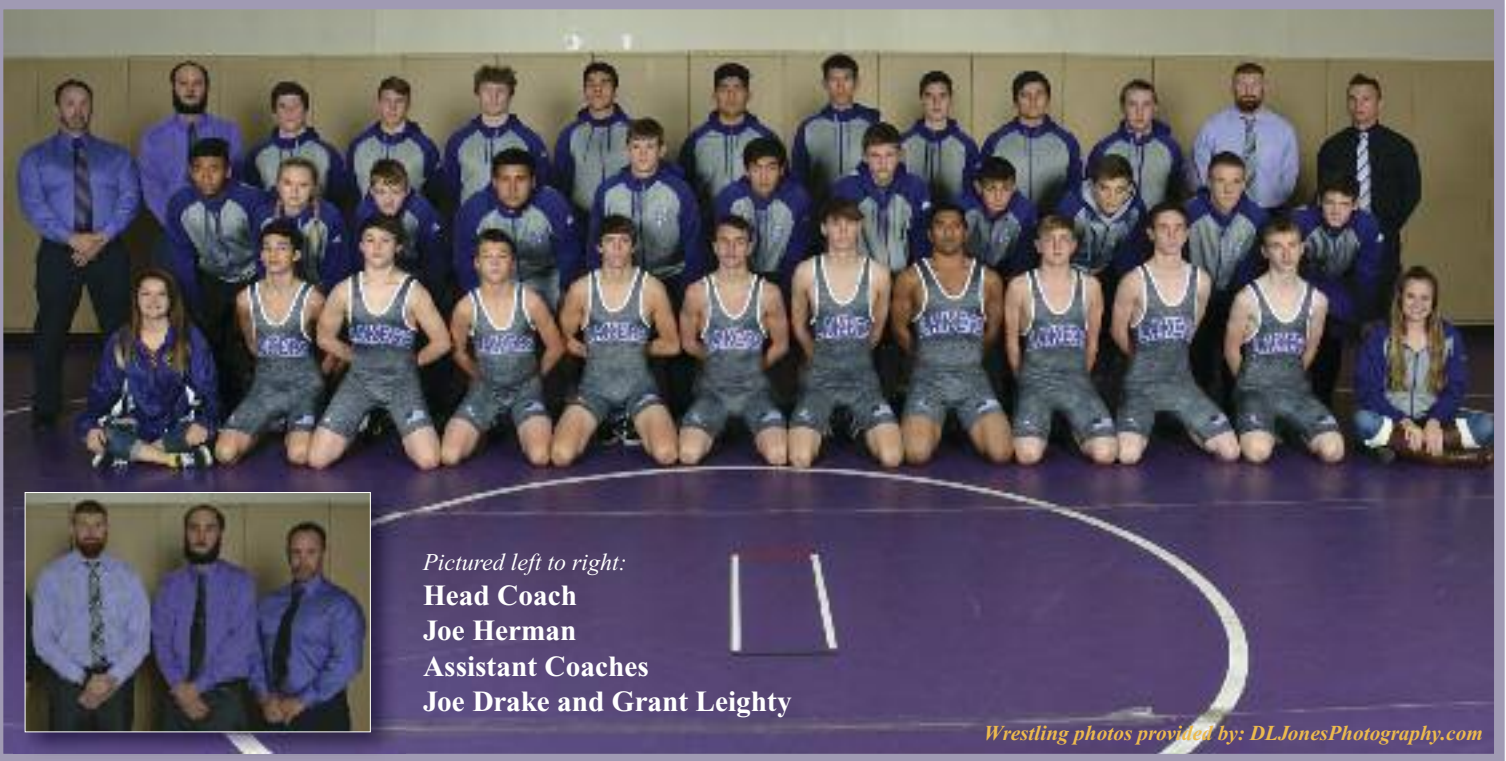
David Prather



Reese Negri



Zion Vasquez



Pictured left to right:
Head Coach
Joe Herman
Assistant Coaches
Joe Drake and Grant Leighty

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Laker Wrestling Schedule

Nov. 21	Laker Challenge	H	6:00
Nov. 29	Branson/Jeff. City	H	5:30
Dec. 3	Bolivar Tourn.	T	9:00
Dec. 8	Willard/Marshfield	H	5:30
Dec. 9-10	Lee's Summit N. Tourn.	T	TBA
Dec. 13	Lebanon/Eldon	H	6:00
Dec. 16-17	Lee's Summit Tourn.	T	5:00
Dec. 17	Lebanon Tourn. (JV)	T	9:00
Dec. 20	Bolivar	T	6:00
Jan. 3	Helias/Rock Bridge	R.B.	6:00
Jan. 7	Sedalia Tourn. (JV)	T	9:00
Jan. 7	Cameron Tourn.	T	9:30
Jan. 10	Republic/Neosho	Rep.	5:00
Jan. 13-14	St. Charles Tourn.	T	TBA
Jan. 17	Kickapoo	T	5:30
Jan. 20	Waynesville	T	5:00
Jan. 21	Kickapoo Tourn. (JV)	T	TBA
Jan. 28	Buffalo Tourn. (JV)	T	TBA
Jan. 30	Rolla/Sedalia	H	5:30
Feb. 4	Ozark Conference Tourn.	Leb.	TBA
Feb. 10-11	Districts	H	TBA
Feb. 16-11	State	Columbia	TBA

2016-2017 Wrestling Roster

Seniors

Keegan Darby	David Prather
Brandon Finley	Giusep Lopez -Ramirez
Alex Jimenez	Zion Vasquez
Reese Negri	

Juniors

Gabe Blain	Winton Neal
Blake Lapine	Mason Tibben

Sophomores

Tyler Damery	Chris Morgan
Seamus Lamb	Ryan Rothove

Freshmen

Angelo Alfano	Johnathan Lyles
Abbie Cordia	Elias Ramirez
Reese Esqueda	Talon Randazzo
Dylan Frey	Ethan Reinhart
Jacob Fuglsang	Braiden Spengler
Ethan Harris	Wyatt Stamper
Wyatt Jackson	Jake Thoenen
Bryce Leuenberger	Jacob Ziegler

Student Assistants:

Kiersten Reynolds and Haile Farris.



Girls' Swim Team



"I am so unbelievably excited for the very first girls' swim team at Camdenton High School! My name is Paige McCane, and it is my first year in the district. However, competitive swimming has been a passion of mine since I was very young, and it has always been a large part of my family. When I found out about the new team, I knew I had to be a part of it!"

Head Coach
Paige McCane
Team Manager
Sid Ketcham

We are very lucky to have had so much support and interest from the girls! I am very excited that we have several girls who have experience from club teams, in addition to other athletes who have decided to give swimming a try. We have such a large, driven team, and I know we will have a very successful and fun season.

The girls will be doing a lot of traveling this season! We're traveling to Joplin, Monett, Springfield, Sedalia, Seymour, and (hopefully) St. Peter's to compete. Our team will be working very hard over the next month to get prepared, and I know we are all anxious to start racing!"



Senior Swimmers

Sophomores

Lauryn Adams	Ashton Odell
Shayna Avance	Sasha Prather
Katie Blackman	Shelby Webster
Emma Easter	
Sidney Jones	
Marilyn Kline	
Jeana Laughlin	
Erin Leezer	

Juniors

Cassie Kennedy
Tori Risner
Victoria Turner

Freshmen

Audrey Currier
Peyton Easter
Hanna Lehner
Adrena Normand
Emme Thompson

#swimawayfromthesafeharbor

Mackenzie Baker

"I'm very excited to be able to swim on the first ever Laker Swim team."

Hannah Bentley

"A ship is safe in its harbor, but that is not what it's built for."

Ireland Betta

"Chlorine is my perfume."

Abby Brauer

"I am very excited to start my first season of swimming! I think it will be a great challenge and will get me in great shape for soccer. I can't wait to get to know all of the girls and have some fun!"

Cami Koons

"Why not?"

Karissa Lembke

"I want to thank Coach Byington for encouraging me to join the swim team. I am looking forward to this new experience and I am ready for a new challenge with such a great group of girls."

Natalie Schulte

"I'm really just hoping I don't drown."

Adi Velarde

"Just keep swimming... even when you're choking on water."

Ariana Chapa and Kathryn Miller

Quotes unavailable

Girls' Swim Schedule

Dec. 6	Monett	T	4:30
Dec. 9	Central/ Kickapoo	Spfd.	4:30
Dec. 17	Monett	T	9:00
Jan. 5	West Plains	Seymour	4:30
Jan. 7	Hillcrest	Foster Nat	8:00
Jan. 12	Central/ Kickapoo	Spfd.	4:30
Jan. 14	Sedalia	T	9:00
Jan. 20	Kickapoo	Spfd.	4:30
Jan. 28	Springfield Invitational	Foster Nat	8:00
Feb. 2	Seymour	T	4:30
Feb. 3	OC/COC Conference Championships	Spfd.	2:00
Feb. 9	Kickapoo - SWMO - Prelim	Spfd.	2:00
Feb. 11	Kickapoo - SWMO - Last Chance	Spfd.	1:00
Feb.17-18	MSHSAA State Championships	St.Peters	TBA



Talent Returns this Season!

2016 Ozark Conference 4th place

2016 Record 10-11

District Doubles Champions
Grant Burton and Riley Shriver

3rd place finish in Camdenton/Lebanon
8-Team Invitational

The 2017 Laker Tennis team returns several varsity players with extensive match experience, including fourth-year number one singles player senior Grant Burton. Grant and his 2016 doubles partner, Riley Shriver, were District 9 doubles champions last season and Grant is looking to add to that success this year. Seniors Burton, Sid Ketcham, Luke Haas, and Nate Garton lead the topside of the varsity lineup this season and are looked upon for guidance from the new members of the varsity squad. These four outstanding Laker Tennis players have earned numerous victories during their tenure as varsity Lakers. Anchoring the mid lineup of the varsity is junior Drew VanHook, who had a tremendous 2015-16 season for the Lakers. These players will need to be extremely consistent from the baseline in order to gain key singles match victories during the 2017 season. The junior varsity is loaded with returning talent this season. The 2017 junior varsity should have several competitive matches throughout the spring schedule. As a coaching staff, myself and veteran Laker Tennis coach Ted Houx are excited to have yet another solid group of incoming freshmen. These freshmen have to learn the ins and outs of match play quickly, but should have no problem with such outstanding athletes in the class! Without a doubt, this looks to be an exciting, as well as entertaining, 2017 Laker Tennis season on the newly resurfaced and repainted hardcourts! We sincerely hope you make it a point to visit the phenomenal on-campus Laker Tennis complex this season and support your Laker Tennis team!



Tennis Coach
Kirk Richey



Assistant Coach
Ted Houx

Seniors Leading Topside of the Varsity Lineup



Grant Burton



Nate Garton



Luke Haas



Sid Ketcham

Laker Boys' Track

Last year's 2016 track season was a huge success. The Laker boys qualified in four events at the State track meet. Alec Burris earned an eighth-place medal in the triple jump and Todd Simpson earned a seventh place medal in the long jump. The 4x100m relay team of Zack Wise, Jay Griffin, Jake Hill, and Todd Simpson finished in twelfth and Jake Hill finished in twelfth place in the 100m dash. The boys' track team finished sixth in Districts as a team.

This year's 2017 track season will return a talented senior class. Senior Zack Wise returns to a relay team that qualified for State. Seniors Braxton Shamburg and Zack Howery will anchor the throws and they have steadily improved each year. Expect to see Dyllan Decker attempt to throw the javelin in his senior year. Senior distance runners Nick Salsman

and Coleman Roberts will be the core of the distance races.



There are few returning juniors faster than Jacob Hill. Jacob will be returning after a State track meet appearance in the 100m and as part of the 4x100m relay team. Todd Simpson will be a leading jumper in the area as well as add relay depth. Junior thrower Lincoln McGuire is expected to earn several medals in varsity meets this year after earning a few medals as a sophomore. Junior Jay Griffin contributed to a State 4x100m relay team and had success running the 200m dash as well. Junior Jackson Ezard contributed to the relay teams and should be a "year faster" this season. Junior sprinter Alex Amsberg battled injury but, when healthy, contributed to our relay teams. Junior pole vaulter Seth Harris, who also battled injury, came through to earn several varsity medals.

Sophomore Gabe Kurtz improved all season in the pole vault and javelin and should contribute to team points in all varsity meets. Sophomore Andrew Butts returns after qualifying for the Sectional track meet in the high jump. Sophomore sprinter Kyler Wilson had success in the JV meets and should help give varsity relay teams depth. Our hurdle races should be led by sophomores Chris Morgan and Luke Eveland. Sophomore distance runners Garrett Mason and Triston Stark will run all varsity meets this year after a successful freshman year. Young throwers Parker Ray, Zack Trusty, Marlin Briggs, and John Gopar-Ortiz will be a year stronger and better. Sophomore high jumper Riley Head improved all season in the jumps, so we have high expectations for him this year.



Dyllan Decker



Zack Howery



Coleman Roberts



Nick Salsman



Braxton Shamburg



Zack Wise

"The 2017 track season is quickly approaching. With the talented, experienced group returning on the boys' side, the Lakers should be strong once again. We hope to compete at the top of the District and Conference level this spring in track and are anxious to get ready for spring weather and spring sports," states Coach Bruck.

Boys' and Girls' Track Assistant Coaches



**Boys' Head
Track Coach
Nick Bruck**



**Stacy Asante
Middle/Distance Runners**



**Steve Bayless
Hurdles/High Jump**



**Bret Enos
Pole Vault**



**Lance Foulk
Long/Triple Jumps**

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*Cross country coach Dave Weber is a volunteer
assistant with the 400m and 300m hurdles.*

Boys' Track All-State Honors

- 1972 **Steve Burnau, Chris Franklin,
Lee Jeffries, Kim Thompson** 2-Mile Relay
- 1973 **Steve Burnau, Chris Franklin,
Lee Jeffries, Richard Meade** 2-Mile Relay
- 1973 **Mike Bair** Pole Vault
- 1973 **Jeff Wallace** 120 yd. High Hurdles
- 1973 **Chris Franklin** 880 yd. Run
- 1973 **Chris Franklin, Lee Jeffries,
Paul Long, Mark Trokey** Mile Relay
- 1973 **Lee Jeffries, Paul Long,
Mark Trokey, Jeff Wallace** 880 yd. Relay
- 1973 **State Champion Team**
- 1974 **Jeff Wallace** 120 yd. High Hurdles
- 1975 **Richard Meade** 880 yd. Run
- 1976 **David Oostendorp** Triple Jump
- 1978 **Gary Thompson** Mile Run
- 1980 **Sean O'Brien** High Jump
- 1980 **John Cyrus** Triple Jump
- 1981 **John Cyrus** Triple Jump
- 1984 **Todd Holzuter** Discus
- 1985 **Jack Hanns** 400m Run
- 1985 **John Cronin, Scott Dobbs
Travis Ezard, Jeff Shore** 4x200m Relay
- 1985 **Scott Dobbs** Pole Vault
- 1985 **Jimmy Terbrock** Pole Vault
- 1987 **Jeff Shore** 110m High Hurdles
- 1987 **Jeff Shore** 300m Intermediate Hurdles
- 1987 **Lance Dye, Travis Ezard,
Gary Lavanchy, Jeff Shore** 4x100m Relay
- 1987 **Travis Ezard** 400m Dash
- 1988 **Travis Ezard** 400m Dash
- 1988 **Chad Jackson** Long Jump
- 1988 **Lance Dye, Travis Ezard,
Steve Stockton, Joey Tobin** 4x200m & 4x100m Relays
- 1989 **Chad Green** High Jump
- 1990 **Russell Bassett** 3200m Run
- 1990 **Russell Bassett, Casey Clark,
Clay Karr, Matthew Reid** 4x800m Relay
- 1991 **Dale Scheidemantle** High Jump
- 1991 **Russell Bassett, Clay Karr,
Matthew Reid, Michael Reid** 4x800m Relay
- 1991 **Matthew Reid, Dave Thompson,
Craig Tittle, Jason Parr** 4x100m Relay
- 1992 **Craig Tittle** 100m Dash
- 1992 **Brent Hubbard** Shot Put
- 1996 **James Hammond** Triple Jump
- 1999 **J.R. Skola** Pole Vault
- 2000 **Nick Bruck** Shot Put
- 2000 **J.R. Skola** Pole Vault
- 2000 **Roger Kure** Pole Vault
- 2001 **Ward Morris** Long Jump
- 2002 **Will Drover** Pole Vault
- 2004 **Alex Johnson** High Jump
- 2004 **Forrest Shock** 110m Hurdles
- 2005 **Tom Green** 1600m Run
- 2006 **Ben Brown** 800m Run
- 2010 **Rayder Bennett** High Jump
- 2013 **Denver Hansen** 110m Hurdles
- 2014 **Denver Hansen** 110m Hurdles
- 2016 **Alec Burris** Triple Jump
- 2016 **Todd Simpson** Long Jump



**Lady Laker
Track Coach
John McNabb**

Lady Laker Track 2017

Three 2016 All-State Honors

One Defending State Champion

2013 Ozark Conference Champions

It is not hard to imagine why expectations are very high for the upcoming track season. Six athletes return who have competed in

post-season competition for the Lady Lakers. Three of those athletes have earned All-State honors in previous seasons and one of them is a defending State Champion in her event.

Three seniors return in 2017. Kristyn Carpenter has qualified for the State track meet each of the last two seasons; in 2015 she made it to State in the 100m hurdles and in 2016 she was a member of the 4x100m relay that just missed making the finals in that event. Kristyn should have a shot at making it back to State in as many as three events this year. Daphne Dinsdale is an all-around athlete who has been competitive in the high jump and as a junior was a force in the javelin, which is new to high school track and field. Mariah Hadfield competes in the long and triple jumps. She has been an All-Conference and All-District performer in both events and qualified for the Sectional meet last season. Qualifying for State is a possibility for this season.

The junior class features four athletes who have already made names for themselves in track and field. Kylie Meier is the defending State Champion in the 300m hurdles. She is the first State Champion for the Lady Lakers since 1982. She is an athlete who could compete in just about any event. She has qualified for State in the high jump and is a two time All-State athlete in the 300m hurdles. One of the challenges this year is finding the right four events for her. Abbie Miller is a long and triple jumper who has improved each year. Her enthusiasm as a member of the team is invaluable. Her versatility is important as she is always ready to compete whenever she is asked. McKenzie Scott is a two time All-Conference pole vaulter. She is a hard worker who continues to improve. Grace Wormek was All-State in the 4x100m relay as a freshman. Last year she was the Conference and District champion in the 100m and 200m sprints. She qualified for the State meet in both sprints and as a member of the 4x100m relay team as a sophomore and just missed the medal stand in all three events.

The sophomore class is also a talented group. Natalie Basham earned All-State honors last year in the 300m hurdles as she placed sixth. She also qualified for the State meet in the

100m hurdles and the 4x100m relay, finishing one spot out of the finals in both events.

Finding her best four events will also be a key to the team success. Katie Blackman is a sprinter and hurdler who contributed most in the 4x200m relay last year.

That team came up one spot short

of making it to the State meet. Lauren Galey competed in the hurdles and jumps in her first year of track. She showed improvement throughout the season and placed well in several JV meets. Sarah Lawson was a member of the 4x800m and 4x400m relay teams in 2016 and gained valuable experience, which should benefit her this year. She could become a factor in individual events this season. Darby Roam competed in the pole vault and middle distance races as well as the 4x400m and 4x800m races. She should be our best middle distance runner this season. She has the potential to become an outstanding runner. Je'anne Wegner is another athlete who competed in the pole vault. She has a chance to be a contributor in that event this season.

When writing this preview in November it is always difficult to predict newcomers to the program. This year we hope to add a few upper classmen who have been outstanding in other sports. We also anticipate a large group of freshmen being part of the program. This group competed well and had success during their time in middle school.



*Returning
All-State Athletes*

Kylie Meier and Natalie Basham

Last year our senior class was a big part of our success. Those graduates are Stefanie Baker, who ran in the 4x800m and distance races. Autumn Bellew threw the shot and discus in her first year of track. Charley Blair was also a middle distance runner who was part of our 4x400m and 4x800m relay team. Charley was our most successful distance runner. Maisy Borden was a three-time State qualifier in the 4x100m relay, earning All-State honors her junior season. Maisy also had success in the 100m dash, making All-Conference three times, and also scored well in the long jump.

The 2016 season was a good one as the Lady Lakers placed well in all meets where team points were scored. The team medaled in eight events at the prestigious Girls-Nite-Out meet in Springfield. After a disappointing sixth place finish at the Ozark Conference meet, the team rebounded to a third place finish in the twelve-team District meet and placed fourth out of twenty-four teams in the Sectional meet. Qualifying for State in six events and finishing tied for tenth were also season highlights.

The track coaching staff returns intact for the 2017 season. This group has been together for several years, which is



Returning Letter Winners

a big factor in the continuing success of the program. Head coach John McNabb returns for his twenty-ninth season, as well as his forty-first season coaching Laker Athletics. His assistants are Stacy Asante and Bret Enos. Boys' track coaches Nick Bruck, Lance Foulk, and Steve Bayless also are involved in coaching our girl athletes. Also returning are volunteer coaches Dave Weber and Patrick Dent.



Lady Track Seniors

Kristyn Carpenter

“I love going to practice knowing that I am going to complain about something that we have to do, because that means my coaches are pushing me to be the best I can be. The feeling I get before and during a race is amazing. I feel unstoppable. This being my senior year, I am excited to see what is in store for me this season.”

Mariah Hadfield

“I always look forward to track season; it is a sport I have enjoyed for many years. I am excited to see where my senior year takes me. I will miss this program and the coaches as well. I hope this will be the best season yet!”

Daphne Dinsdale

“Throughout the last six years of my track career, this sport has taught me many lessons --- how to cope with and improve from a last place finish, how to humbly celebrate a first place finish, how to endure running and jumping in 30 degree weather, how to cool down on 90 degree days, and most importantly, how to expect the most out of myself in everything I do. My track family has helped me to push myself to achieve greatness, and for that I am grateful beyond words.”

1981	Kim Burris	300m Hurdles
1981	Marianne Homm	High Jump
1982	Marianne Homm	Triple, Long, & High Jumps
1982	Colleen Wagner	Discus
1983	Marianne Homm	High Jump
1983	Vicki Johnson	400m Run, 4x400m and 4x200m Relays
1983	Colleen Wagner	Discus
1983	Sherri Gentry, Vicki Johnson (other teammates unknown)	4x400m Relay
1983	Shannon Chapman, Sherri Gentry Tammy Holzhuter, Vicki Johnson	4x200m Relay
1984	Sherri Gentry	800m Run, 4x200m Relay
1984	Shannon Chapman, Sherri Gentry, Tammy Holzhuter, Marianne Homm	4x200m Relay
1985	Renee Worthan	High Jump
1985	Shannon Chapman, Sherri Gentry, Tammy Holzhuter, Renee Worthan	4x200m Relay
1986	Shannon Chapman	300m Hurdles
1986	Renee Worthan	Triple Jump
1986	Sherri Gentry	400m Run
1986	Shannon Chapman, Sherri Gentry, Tammy Holzhuter, Renee Worthan	4x200m Relay
1986	Sherri Gentry, Wendy Hagedorn, Michelle Worthan, Lori Chandler	4x800m Relay
1987	Renee Worthan	300m Hurdles, Triple & Long Jumps
1988	Fawn Ickes	100m Hurdles & 300m Hurdles
1988	Renee Worthan	Triple & Long Jumps
1990	Fawn Ickes	100m Hurdles
1991	Marla Marcum	Discus
1994	Angie Dattoli, Brande Horrighs, Sherry Miller, Bethany Thomas	4x100m Relay
1995	Angie Dattoli	300m Hurdles
1998	Sara Hunter	Triple Jump
2001	Sarah Otto	100m Hurdles
2001	Kristin Wiethop	Long Jump
2003	Teresa Otto	High Jump
2003	Kristin Wiethop	Long & Triple Jumps
2004	Jill Wallace	High Jump
2007	Sheena Carter	Shot Put
2009	Olivia Bruce-Labee	200m Dash
2013	McKenzie Wright	High & Triple Jumps
2014	McKenzie Wright	High & Triple Jumps
2014	Judy Keys	Pole Vault
2015	Kylie Meier	300m Hurdles
2015	Maisy Borden, Josie Dinsdale, Polly Dinsdale, and Grace Wormek	4x100m Relay
2016	Natalie Basham	300m Hurdles
2016	Kylie Meier	300m Hurdles

Lady Laker Track All-State Honors

Laker Golf 2017

The Laker Golf team will be hitting the links this spring anticipating two seniors. Caleb Gill will return for his last year of high school golf participation.

The Lakers will again host the Laker Invitational, which has become one of the premier high school golf tournaments in the State. With teams from Kansas City, St. Louis, Springfield, the boot-heel, and other areas from across Missouri, it is a highly competitive event, which allows golf programs to compete against teams they would not normally see during the regular season. There continues to be a waiting list for other schools that would like to join this tournament. Camdenton will also host the Ozark Conference Golf Tournament this year on April 24th.

This tournament will feature all ten of the Conference schools. We are extremely fortunate in the Lake of the Ozarks area to have tremendous courses for our student-athletes to play on a daily basis.

Golf Senior



Caleb Gill

“I know I’m getting better at golf because I am hitting fewer people on the course!”

All
State



Curt
Rippee
1985

Jeff
Rodenburg
1986

Sean
Kirksey
1988

Michael
Pfitzner
2015



For the Record:

Michael Tocco
Lowest average
37.0

Lowest Score
2 Under Par 34

Sean Kirksey 1988

Mark Blair 1999

Michael Tocco 2005

Jake Tuley 2005



This Group Has What It Takes!

Camdenton Laker Baseball

Last season started with a lot of unknowns with only one senior on the Camdenton Laker Baseball team. However, the 2017 baseball season will start with high expectations and



**Baseball Coach
Bryce Durnin**

everyone returning except shortstop Brady Kempf. The varsity Lakers could potentially have up to 15 seniors returning. Complementing the 15 seniors is a competitive junior class and a talented sophomore class that is coming off a 22-win freshman season. *“With just nine spots on a baseball field, we will find out who really likes baseball this spring,”* said Coach Durnin, adding, *“As competition increases, players must exhibit a higher level of commitment and performance in order to earn playing time.”*



It did not take long last year for three junior pitchers to establish themselves. Through the first ten games, they posted an ERA of under one run an inning. The trio of Parker Stidham, Brogun Betta, and Austin Stamper competed all season, helping the Lakers win 11 games during the 2016 campaign. All three pitchers received Ozark Conference Honorable Mention. Betta was solid all season. He frustrated teams with his changeup and ability to hit spots. Stidham got stronger throughout the season. He earned the game one District start. *“I have not had many pitchers in my career pitch the inside corner as well as Stidham,”* said Durnin. Even with minimal preparation, there were times when Haiden Randall also provided big innings. All the while, juniors Cameron Rhoades and Kody Coon, were dealing every other JV game and preparing for their senior



start of the first game of the season last year. *“He was our big-game pitcher throughout the regular season,”* said Durnin. Coach Durnin expects Stamper to return mid-season and be as strong as ever. Rhoades, Randall, and Coon will be expected to pick up some early innings in Stamper’s absence.

“This group has what it takes to have a really fun season,” stated Durnin. They are led by four-year varsity letterman catcher Dylan McGuire. McGuire has been a fixture behind the plate for the Lakers. With last season’s struggling offense, McGuire will have to handle the bat in the three hole and drive in some runs. The most intriguing position battle for the 2017 team will be at the corners. Last season, Lakers first baseman Connor Loge earned Ozark Conference Honorable Mention at that position. Loge hit .333 during Conference play in 2016. Third base took a little longer to shake out as Betta, Mitchell Franklin, Randall, Nathan Pasley, Garrison Twitchell, and Nolan Moriearty all saw playing time at the hot corner. Betta produced the best offensive numbers but will incur higher pitching demands this season. Twitchell ended up playing second base and was a spark at the end of the season while Franklin and Moriearty made more defensive appearances. *“Randall has been a catcher and played both first and third. However, when he played left field, I kind of felt like it showcased his talent more,”* said Durnin, adding, *“The outfield definitely showcases his arm strength.”* Pasley went down early with a knee injury and is hungry to compete his entire senior season. Pasley has his eyes set on competing for shortstop. Pasley possesses a big bat but was unable to settle into a rhythm in 2016 due to his injury. Pasley will have competition

season. However, the Lakers have experienced a big setback in the rotation due to a knee injury to Austin Stamper. Stamper earned the



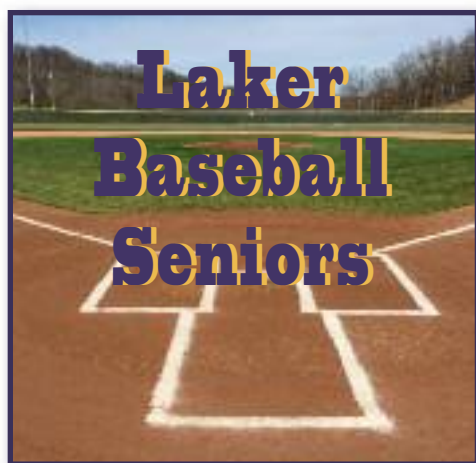
with junior Austin Carter trying to earn some playing time. ***“Carter is such a competitor. He’s a guy you want on your side because he hates to lose,”*** commented Durnin.

Offensively, the Lakers will continue to look to players like McGuire, Randall, and Stidham to drive in runs in the middle of the lineup. Stidham will more than likely continue to hit next to Randall. Both will need to do a better job of handling the off-speed pitches but both are very capable and have the ability to change the game with one swing. All three will need to hit better with two strikes and, overall, reduce the number of strikeouts. With Stamper out of the lineup early, someone else will have to step up and lead the Lakers offensively. ***“In my head, I thought Stamper would be the guy who could get things going for us at the top,”*** said Durnin. ***“Now guys like Twitchell, Carter, and even switch-hitting Loge could handle the bat and move guys over.”*** Coach Durnin will continue to attempt to bring an aggressive style of offense to Camdenton, saying, ***“I want to create a program that offensively refuses to strike out, is able to bunt when needed, and commits to making base running an important aspect of the game.”***

The Lakers look to be solid defensively. The biggest question will be the shortstop position. ***“Someone has to step up and make plays,”*** said Durnin. Tyler Leek took control of the outfield last year playing center field. ***“Leek may be one of our most gifted athletes. He has lead-off capacity and big playability.”*** Others expected to compete for outfield positions are Alex Porschen and Conner Graves. Transfer Dylan Fry has made some appearances at some off-season workouts and could be a “sleeper” in the 2017 season.

With 15 returning seniors, plus hungry underclassmen, the overall competition for positions and playing time should be at an all-time high. The 2017 season promises to be positive with a lot of energy from players and coaches. Coach Durnin reflects, ***“I thank God every day for the chance to lead young men in the game of baseball. I am grateful for the chance to be a part of the Camdenton Laker family.”*** Coaches Tyler Knight and Dino DeLaurent will once again accompany Durnin. Knight will continue to lead the junior varsity and DeLaurent, the freshmen.

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Brogun Betta



Kody Coon



Mitchell Franklin



Dylan Fry



Tyler Leek



Connor Loge



Dylan McGuire



Nathan Pasley



Alex Porschen



Haiden Randall



Cameron Rhoades



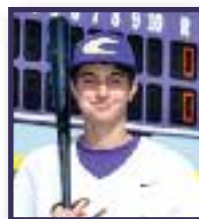
Austin Stamper



Parker Stidham



Garrison Twitchell



Luke Weber



Baseball All-State Honors
 2011 - Robbie Hoffman, Shortstop
 2011 - Jonathan Manning, Utility
 1993 - Jef Leenerts, Catcher

One Team, One Purpose, One Mission

Lady Laker Soccer



**Lady Laker
Soccer Coach
Chris Byington**

expecting great things for this upcoming spring!

The Lady Laker seniors of 2016 will be dearly missed as they really helped shape and lead the season for the 2016 Lady Lakers. They will always be a part of the Lady Laker family and a few of the seniors will continue to play soccer during their college careers. Now, the 2017 seniors Angie Alderman, Abby Brauer, Karissa Lembke, Audi Velarde, Natalie Schulte, Ireland Betta, Mary Amerine, Cami Koons, and Raleigh Johns will be leading the Lady Laker Soccer team as we hope to achieve a District title! I am

Last year's Lady Laker Soccer team finished with a record of 13-8-2 and finished 7-2 in Conference play. The 2015 Lady Lakers beat Conference opponent Glendale Falcons for the first time in the program's history. During Districts, the Lady Lakers fell to Harrisonville in the first round. The Lady Lakers had a great season last year and we are

excited to see these girls grow and continue to pursue excellence on and off the field.

The Lady Laker Soccer team has been working hard in the off-season and is fired up about the season beginning. We have been counting down the days since last season, as we hope to continue to grow as a team and as individuals. With the rich tradition that comes with wearing a Lady Laker Soccer uniform, it will be crucial to continue to strive to work together as one team with the purpose of overcoming any adversity that the season may bring, and have one mission in mind as we get fired up for the season to begin: **One Team, One Purpose, One Mission.** We will need to continue to buy into the system in order to keep the tradition rolling.

We would love to see you out at a few, if not all, of our games this season. We look to make some improvements in a few areas and hope to be competitive and ready to play at a high level each night. We have a very tough schedule this season, but, with enough focus, teamwork, and preparation, we feel as though we will be able to come away with some great results. #sailaway



Lady Laker Soccer Seniors



Mary Amerine

"Here's to all the 80:40s, down and backs, bruises, concussions, time, effort, and ten years I've devoted to soccer. I have grown on and off the field with a team that beat Glendale for the very first time in history, and

with girls who gave it their all to the very last minute of the game. It's really the small things that make a big difference, and I wouldn't have learned that without soccer. So here's to the coaches that made me the person/player I am today, to the game that taught me nothing comes easy, to work for what you want, and that--
#nothinggoodhappensaftermidnight."



Ireland Betta

"Soccer has been a part of my life ever since I can remember. It's my best friend, my home, my life. Soccer has shaped me from a little girl, who played LOSA Soccer every week, into the young woman who plays travel ball, going to cities I would have never imagined I would play in. When I step out onto the field, I am home. My worries seem to fade and I am the happiest person in the world. There's no other feeling than stepping out onto the Laker Soccer Stadium with freshly cut grass, stadium lights on, and the crowd cheering for you. That is truly an unforgettable feeling."

“I will always miss Coach Hunter’s loud voice when he would tell



freshman Ireland to run down the sideline to get a cross. I will miss Coach Byington’s ‘fun sprinting games’ and how happy he would be to show the team a new workout. I will miss Coach Hines’ enlightening smile that could get even the saddest person to smile. I will miss Coach Calbert’s and my playful banter throughout the hallways. But most certainly, I will miss my family - my team - and our field. My team will forever be with me and the memories it brings. No matter where I end up, I will always be a Lady Laker. **#realhogs**”



Abby Brauer

“I have played for many teams in my time playing soccer, but none of them compare to

playing for Camdenton High School. There is nothing like stepping out on the field with the girls you’ve been playing with for ten years. It’s so surreal that this will be our last season playing together. While I love the sport of soccer itself, my teammates and the memories we made are what I will cherish most. I love all of these girls, and I can’t wait to see what our final season has in store for us.”



Cami Koons

“I’m so blessed to have been a part of the Camdenton Soccer program from the Little Lady Lakers club team all the way to my senior

year. I love my fellow senior girls, and can’t imagine finishing my soccer career with anyone else...assuming I can finish; between IB Diploma and Byington’s ‘fun sprinting drills’, I may not.”



Karissa Lembke

“Soccer has been my life since I was four years old. This sport has shaped me into the person and

player I am today. I am forever thankful for all the support from my coaches, my parents, and my teammates who have helped me along the way. Most of the girls you see here have played with me since second grade. We started out on our Little Lady Laker Soccer team and have grown so far together. The friendships and memories I’ve created with them are unforgettable. We have talked about this day for so many years, and now to think it’s actually my last season as a Lady Laker Soccer player is hard to wrap my mind around. This program has shown me so much hard work, dedication, and just to never stop loving the game. Being a part of this team means so much to me and we have accomplished so much together. Last season, beating Glendale for the first time in history makes me feel so blessed to be a part of something so special. To say my team is a family to me would be such an understatement.

Between the 40-40s, nightmares, gassers, ‘the run’, and when Byington says he has ‘fun’ sprinting games at the end of practice, you know there is always a way to push through because our coaches have taught us that nothing comes easy. I will for sure miss Byington’s random quotes and his texts letting us know how many days till season starts or that nothing good happens after midnight. The group of girls I get to spend my last season with are my best friends and they have shown me what lifelong friendships really are. The past three years of playing soccer for Coach Hunter and Coach Byington are ones I will remember forever. I will cherish every moment we have left together. Let’s make this our year. **#realhogs**”

Natalie Schulte

“Words cannot express how many ways soccer has impacted my life. It has always been my release, and nothing can make me happier or cry more than soccer has. Nothing in my life has ever been as physically taxing, but at the end of the day, I would much rather be out on the

field with my team, running until I puke, than anywhere else. Even as I literally crawl up the stairs at school after a hard night of practice, I will always be grateful



for the memories and opportunities that soccer has provided me. Soccer has given me a second family who will always have my back. I will always remember to ‘sail away from the safe harbor’ and that ‘the legs feed the wolf.’”

Audi Velarde

“Coming to Camdenton my sophomore year was an adjustment because I knew the girls had been playing with each other for a very long time. But when I joined the team, I felt like I had been there from the very start. From day one, I knew that the girls on the team were going to become my lifelong friends. There is no doubt that my teammates are the most supportive group of girls I have ever met. Once we are on the field, we click as one and that is a quality our team has that I truly admire. Some of my best memories have happened on the field with the girls who became family. Our group of seniors have been there for each other through it all. We have watched each other strive and grow as players and people and it’s amazing to have friends you can count on, on and off the field, and I am thankful to have them in my life. I am also grateful for my coaches along the way. The soccer program wouldn’t be what it is without all the support we have from our coaches who push us every single practice. From the nightmares to the ‘fun sprinting drills’ we are constantly challenged to reach our fullest potential. It will be hard to leave this sport once I graduate, but the memories that I have built from being on this team will last a lifetime. I am so excited to see what is to come this final season. **#sailawayfromthesafeharbor**”



Senior Cheer



Juli-Anne Manes

“Five years ago, I would have not imagined being where I am today. The amount of love I have for this sport and my team is indescribable. I would have to say that is my favorite part about cheerleading: my team. I am going to miss my second family, their love, and the part of me that will always live on the purple mat. Being a Camdenton Laker Cheerleader is an experience and a blessing that will last a lifetime --- Go Lakers!”

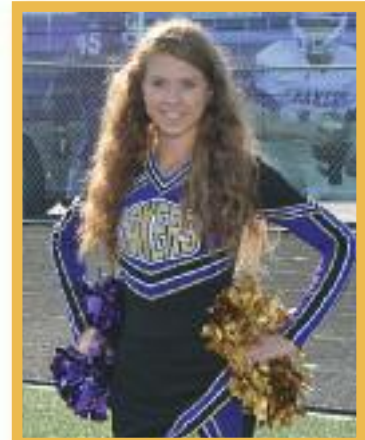


Alondra Chapa

Quote unavailable

Willow Perez

“Wow! Senior? I feel like I was just standing in front of the high school scared to go inside because I was only a freshman. I remember first starting my cheer and band practices, I was so nervous and scared I could hardly get myself through the doors. The thing that welcomed me was all the people who took me under their wing. My friends had such an impact on me through my four years that I didn’t worry as much and I wasn’t afraid to be myself. Band has taught me respect and dedication and to keep moving forward. Cheer has taught me it’s okay to be yourself and to always smile and to stay strong even when giving up seems easier. I would not be where I am today without my family, friends, and coaches helping me and guiding me to be the best I could be. I’m truly going to miss it all, but I also know there is a world out there to experience and learn, and I’m excited to see where the road will take me!”



Paige Rhoades

“Cheer has been a place where I’ve spent plenty of time through the years – after school, weekends, and even Christmas break! Needless to say, after spending this much time with a group of girls, becoming like family with one another is inevitable. I’m forever thankful to have made so many friendships through Laker Cheer! Oh, and also, long live fab four!”

Meri Viebrock

“All I can say is never give up on what means everything to you. I started doing cheerleading in seventh grade as a way to step out of my comfort zone and make new friends. Six years later and I get to cheer at the varsity games every Friday night with my best friends. Through thick and thin I have always had cheer to rely on and I’m so thankful for that.”



Winter Dance Team



Seniors

Payton Fiene
Reghan Hollingsworth
Gabrielle Starkey

Junior

Joyce Brother

Sophomores

Caitlin Cone
Lauren Galey

Freshmen

Nicole Brewer
Madison Diehl
Makenna Oster
Arie Vasquez

Senior Dancers



Gabrielle Starkey

“After four years of being on the dance team, I’ve gained plenty of life-long friendships, tons of unforgettable memories, and lots of learning experiences. I’ll never forget the adrenaline rush while waiting anxiously on the sidelines to show all the hard work we’ve put in for weeks. It was such a blessing being on the team and I couldn’t have been happier deciding to join.”

Gabriella Cicerelli

(Fall Dance Team member)

“My four years of high school on the Laker Dance team have been an incredible experience. The family environment created by all of the girls has to be my favorite thing about being a part of this sport. It’s been real.”



Reghan Hollingsworth

“Trying to write a senior quote is a lot harder than it sounds. Trying to somehow fit all the memories and impact dance team has made on my life into a small paragraph is nearly impossible. I’ve learned to overcome my fear of failure and to take chances, because when senior year hits, you’ll wish you took more. I’ve made some amazing friendships with not only my teammates but my best friends. The memories we made (even as cheesy as it sounds) have made me into the girl I am today. To say I’m going to

miss dance team is an understatement because truthfully I never want it to end. There is really nothing like performing alongside these girls. So I’m ready to enjoy and be thankful for every memory that is to come in my final season on the dance team.”

Payton Fiene

“The past four years on dance team have given me some of the best memories I could ever take away from high school. I have made forever friendships and I have had a team that constantly pushes me to do and be better. I honestly struggled while writing this due to the fact that I don’t want to believe it is almost over. I just hope I have made an impact on the girls over the years. Dancing is my sport, but with my teammates it is my passion. I know that as long as they’re by my side pushing me I can do anything.”



District Championships

Boys' Basketball	1939	Boys' Basketball	1982	Football	1990	Volleyball	2008
Boys' Basketball	1941	Volleyball	1982	Boys' Golf	1990	Football	2009
Boys' Basketball	1942	Baseball	1982	Boys' Track	1991	Boys' Soccer	2009
Boys' Basketball	1950	Boys' Track	1982	Football	1992	Girls' Golf	2010
Boys' Basketball	1953	Football	1983	Boys' Track	1992	Girls' Soccer	2011
Boys' Basketball	1960	Volleyball	1983	Boys' Golf	1994	Football	2011
Boys' Basketball	1961	Girls' Track	1983	Football	1995	Football	2012
Boys' Track	1971	Football	1984	Football	1996	Football	2013
Boys' Basketball	1972	Girls' Basketball	1984	Boys' Golf	1997	Girls' Basketball	2015
Boys' Track	1972	Football	1985	Football	1998	Girls' Golf	2015
Boys' Track	1973	Volleyball	1985	Boys' Golf	1998	Softball	2016
Girls' Track	1976	Girls' Basketball	1985	Football	1999		
Football	1977	Boys' Track	1985	Football	2000		
Boys' Basketball	1977	Football	1986	Football	2001		
Football	1978	Girls' Track	1986	Wrestling	2001		
Girls' Basketball	1979	Football	1987	Girls' Track	2001		
Football	1980	Boys' Track	1987	Volleyball	2001		
Boys' Basketball	1980	Football	1988	Wrestling	2003		
Boys' Golf	1980	Boys' Track	1988	Volleyball	2004		
Football	1981	Boys' Golf	1988	Football	2004		
Boys' Track	1981	Football	1989	Football	2005		
Volleyball	1981	Boys' Track	1989	Boys' Track	2005		
Baseball	1981	Baseball	1989	Boys' Track	2006		
Football	1982	Girls' Track	1989	Girls' Track	2007		



State Championships

Boys' Basketball	1939	Boys' Basketball	1941
Boys' Track	1973	Football	1986
Football	1987	Football	1995
Football	1999	Football	2005

State Runners-Up

Boys' Track 1963 Football 1977, 1996
Cheerleading 2005

State Semifinalists

Football 1978, 1980, 1988 Girls' Basketball 1979

State Quarterfinalists

Volleyball 2008 Football 1978, 1983, 1984, 2000, 2001, 2004, 2010, 2011, 2012 Boys' Basketball 1978



Ozark Conference Championships

Volleyball 2002, 2005, 2009, 2010 Girls' Basketball 2014, 2015 Football 2002, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2014
Wrestling 2005, 2006, 2007 Girls' Golf 2010, 2015 Girls' Track 2013 Boys' Soccer 2009 Softball 2009, 2016



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