

8-15 Overall 7-13 Regular Season  
5-11 ESD 6<sup>th</sup> Place



2015-2016  
YANKTON BUCKS

# Yankton Buck Basketball 2015-2016



Philosophy: Basketball is a tremendous learning experience that teaches young people valuable life lessons. Our **all** basketball program is based on a simple philosophy: **all** **players** in the program will be members of a **successful** team and program with the goal of making them better young men.

**Success** is peace of mind which is a direct result of self-satisfaction in knowing you made the effort to become the best of which you are capable.” John Wooden

# Yankton Buck Basketball Trademarks

WINNING IS A BY-PRODUCT OF THE PROGRAM  
AIM FOR GOALS HIGHER THAN 10 FEET

## 1. TEAM ATTITUDE (WE BEFORE ME)

Love For Each Other	Unselfish
Trustworthy	Huddles
Clean Locker Room	Help Teammates Up
Disciplined	Sprint Off Floor
Coachable	Know Roles

## 2. SERVANTHOOD/STEWARDSHIP

Polite	Picking Up Trash
Sportsmanship	Respect For The Game/Opponents
Doing The Next Thing Right	Reading In Elementary Schools

## 3. TOUGHNESS

Dive On Floor	Always In A Stance
Take A Charge	Block Out Every time
Play When Tired	Deflections
Ball Sureness	Talk

## 4. FUNDAMENTALS

<u>DEFENSE</u>	<u>OFFENSE</u>
Stance/Vision/Position/Talk	Sureness
Ball Pressure	Triple Threat
On The Line Up The Line	Shot Selection
Close-outs-High Hands	Spacing

## 5. STUDENTS/TEACHERS OF THE GAME

Notebooks	Teaching In Practice
Camp	Young Bucks
Active & Teaching Bench	Ball Boys

## 6. COMMUNICATION

Talk	Honest
Friendships	Leadership

## 7. CONSTANT IMPROVEMENT

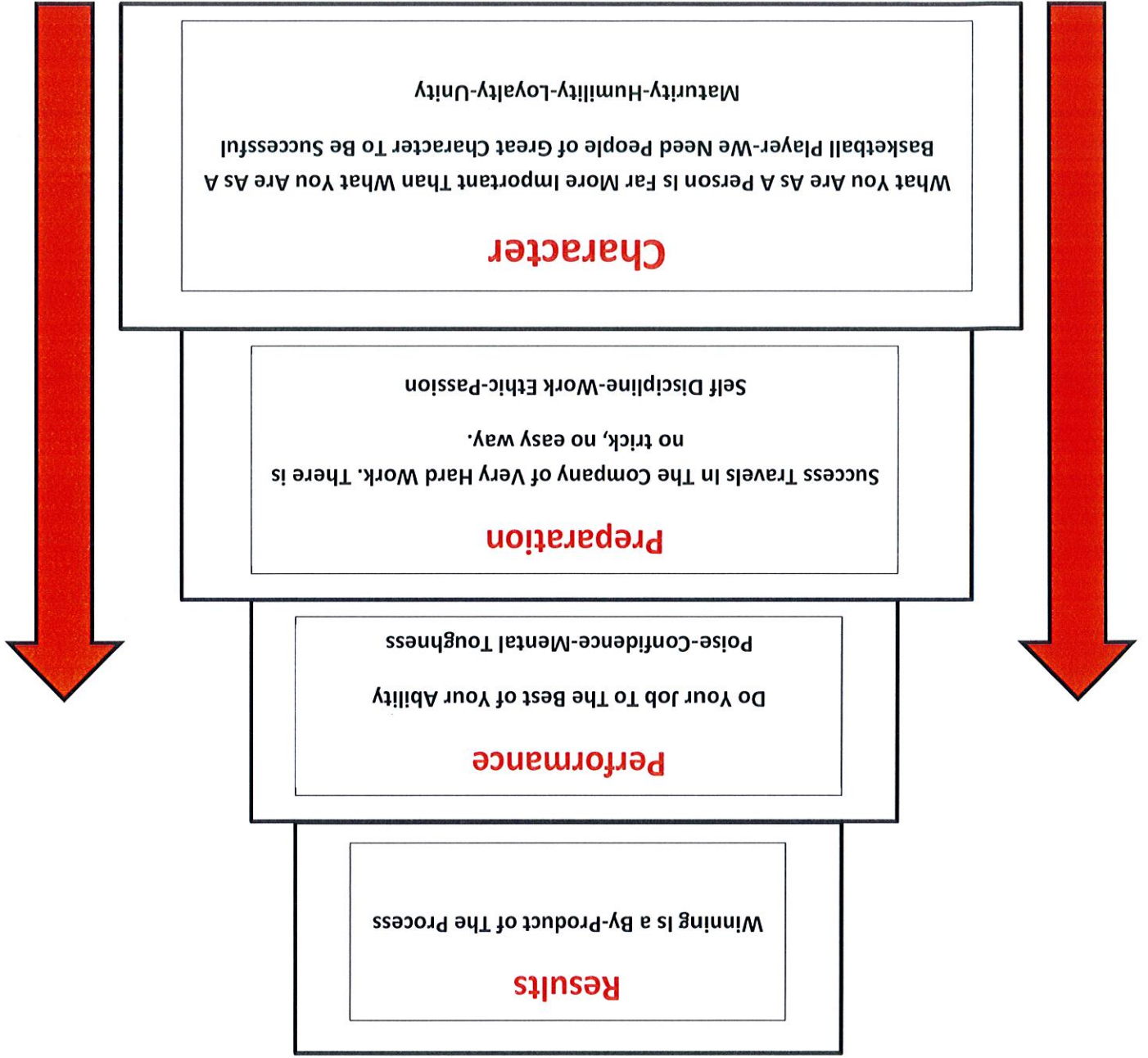
Sense Of Urgency	Attention To Detail
Mindset-Buying In To Program	Off-Season Work
Weight Room	Warm-Ups

# The Yankton Buck Way On The Floor

**Mission: Is to compete to win each game one possession at a time.**

We are not going to talk about what we are going to accomplish, we are going to talk about how we are going to do it.

It is not the end result. Don't think about winning the ESD championship. Don't think about winning the state championship. Think about what you need to do in this drill, on this possession, in this moment. That is the process; let's think about what we can do today, the task at hand.



## 2015-2016 Season Highlights

Winning the season opener over Mitchell at the Corn Palace by the score of 56-31. A strong second half propelled us to the victory. The win marked the fourth consecutive victory for the Bucks over the kernels in the Corn Palace.

Storming back from a 15 point second half deficit to defeat the Harrisburg Tigers on their home floor by the final score of 46-44. The Bucks were able to hold the Tigers to just 15 second half points.

Knocking off number 1 ranked Sioux Falls Washington before heading into Christmas break was the biggest win of the year for the Bucks. After falling behind 17-8 after the first quarter we rallied to score 25 second quarter points to only be down by 3 going into halftime. After an even third quarter the Bucks were able to outscore the Warriors 24-16 in the fourth quarter to win 75-70. Brady Sorenson led the Bucks with a career scoring night of 33 points, including 18 fourth quarter points. Also in that fourth quarter Brady had 4 consecutive possessions in which he scored, got fouled, and converted the 3 point play. The Bucks were also lead by 15 points from senior Blake Savey, 11 points from senior Tanner Frick, and 15 points on five 3 pointers from 7<sup>th</sup> grader Mathew Mors. Yankton was able to make thirteen 3 point baskets to help them pull off the upset and head into Christmas break with a 3-1 record.

We played our first home game of the year after Christmas break against a very good, veteran Pierre team. We played one of our best all-around games of the year and lead by 10 in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. Unfortunately, we were not able to hold on as a last second 3 did not go for us and we fell 56-59.

We were able to back up the Pierre loss a few nights later by dramatically beating Brookings 51-50 in double overtime. We were able to get key defensive stops at both the end of regulation and the first overtime just to get into double overtime. Tanner Frick knocked in a 3 pointer with 4 seconds to go to give us the one point win. It was the second year in a row that we dramatically defeated Brookings at home, as last year we beat them on a full court pass to Brady Hale for a layup as time expired.

After a tough couple weeks we went on the road to Sioux Falls O'Gorman. They were ranked number 2 in the state at the time. We played a great first half and lead the Knights 37-28 at halftime and 46-42 after 3 quarters. The Knights were able to take the lead with a couple minutes to go in the game and make their free throws down the stretch to beat us 53-59. Tanner Frick and Brady Sorenson combined to score 42 of our 53 points as Tanner had 25 and Brady 17. This was the first loss for the Bucks against the Knights in 4 years.

Completing the regular season sweep of the Harrisburg Tigers was not easy but thanks to a balanced scoring attack led by Mathew Mors' 17 points and Bradley Sorenson's 16 we were able to hold off the Tigers for a nice home win.

Our best home victory of the year came against a very talented Sioux Falls Roosevelt team. We were able to go on a huge run starting in the middle of the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter and into the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter to give ourselves a 14 point lead with 5 minutes to play. We were able to hold off the Rough Riders for a 55-48 victory. Freshman Rex Ryken came in off the bench to provide a nice spark and 10 points in the win.

Our last 3 regular season games of the year were played at home. We started the home stand on fire and jumped on top of another very talented team in Aberdeen. Midway through the second quarter Mathew Mors had 14 points and we were leading 30-9. Aberdeen was able to wilt down our lead and eventually pull out the win. The next night we played Watertown, the eventual ESD champs. Once again we were led by our two senior leaders in scoring as Bradley had 21 and Tanner 13. However, it was not enough as Watertown held on to win 51-55.

Mitchell came to town on Senior night. Our 5 active seniors started the game great for us as we lead 18-7 after the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter. Mitchell was able to make the game close at halftime but our seniors once again stepped up and lead us to a big 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter in which we outscored the kernels 19-3. It was very rewarding to see our seniors get a nice 57-38 win against a rival on senior night. One week later that same kernels team would go into Huron and knock off a 17-3 Huron team in the first round of District play.

We started post-season play by defeating Harrisburg at home in the "Play-In Game." It was the first time for the Bucks in the "Play-In Game" and was nice to come out on top and be able to extend our season.

Even though we did not have the season we envisioned for these seniors we are still extremely proud of the way we played this year. Winning 8 games and being extremely competitive for most of the season without 2 of our best players shows a lot about the heart and character that our players have. We have always said we don't base our success just on wins and losses, and even though we came up short of making the state tournament and winning as many games as we would have liked, we still feel that this team was a success all a lot of levels.

Our 7 seniors were able to accomplish a lot over the past 3 seasons including; winning 37 Varsity games, playing in a state tournament, and a 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place ESD finish.

## 2015-2016 Buck Basketball Awards

### Major Letter Winners

**Seniors:** \*\*\*Reid Sawatzke, \*\*\*Tanner Frick, \*\*Bradey Sorenson, \*\*Keenan LaCroix, \*\*Blake Savey, Syd Boots, Devin Millen

**Juniors:** \*\*Nate Stephenson, Justin Leader, Jordan Payer

**Sophomores:** Jack Wolfgam, Casey Krejci, Cameron Krejci

**Freshman:** Rex Ryken

**7th Grader:** Matthew Mors

### Minor Letter Winners

**Juniors:** Blake Cwach, Nate Hein, Chris Kinsley

**Sophomore:** Trevor Rafferty

**Managers:** \*Savanna Woods, Tessa Folkers, Tori Lammers, Trevor Hanson

### Captains

Reid Sawatzke, Tanner Frick, Bradey Sorenson, Keenan LaCroix, Blake Savey

### Stat Awards

**Leading Scorer:** Bradey Sorenson-285 Points-13.0 PPG

**Leading Rebounder:** Bradey Sorenson-104 Rebounds-4.7 RPG

**Leading Assist:** Tanner Frick-81 Assists-3.5 APG

**Leading FG %: (minimum 50 attempts):** Bradey Sorenson 100-225 44%

**Leading 3 Point %: (minimum 20 attempts):** Jack Wolfgam 27-71 38%

**Leading FT %: (minimum 25 attempts):** Matthew Mors 30-37 81%

**Leading Steals:** Tanner Frick-25-2.0 SPG

### Special Awards

**MVP:** Tanner Frick **Best Defensive Player:** Tanner Frick **Best Offensive Player:** Bradey Sorenson

**Most Representative:** Reid Sawatzke **Most Improved:** Rex Ryken

### Individual Awards

**SDBBCA All-State:**

**ESD All-Conference:** Tanner Frick, Bradey Sorenson

**SDBBCA Academic All-State:** Blake Savey, Bradey Sorenson, Syd Boots, Reid Sawatzke

### Coaches:

Chris Haynes, Arlin Likness, Jason Savey, Grant Rolfes, Sam Matzke, Jim Thorson

### 2015-2016 Record

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### ESD Final Standings

1. Watertown 14-2 (15-5)

2. Huron 13-3 (17-3)

3. Aberdeen 12-4 (15-5)

4. Pierre 10-6 (13-7)

5. Brandon 8-8 (8-12)

6. Yankton 5-11 (7-13)

6. Brookings 5-11 (6-14)

8. Mitchell 3-13 (4-16)

9. Harrisburg 2-14 (3-17)

1. Sioux Falls Washington

2. Sioux Falls O'Gorman

3. Aberdeen

4. Pierre

5. Sioux Falls Roosevelt

6. Rapid City Stevens

7. Sioux Falls Lincoln

8. Rapid City Central

### 2015-2016 State Tournament Seeds

Yankton Buck Basketball Records

Team:

Most Points-Single Season: 1750-1974

Highest Average Per Game: 73.0-1974

Most Points-Single Game: 92-1974

Best FG%: 49.1%-1990-91, 1993-94

Best Freethrow %: 72.0-1976

**Most 3 Point Field Goals Attempted: 460-2015-16**

**Most 3 Point Field Goals Made: 124-1990-91 & 2015-16**

Most 3 Point Field Goals %: 42.9%-1989-90

Best record: 23-1-1973-74

Individual:

Most points-game: Chad Nelson 41-1974

Most points-season: Steve Diekmann 531-1990-91

Most points-career: Chad Nelson 1668-1971-74

Most rebounds-game: Chad Nelson 25-1974

Most rebounds-season: Chad Nelson 387-1973

Most rebounds-career: Chad Nelson 1197-1971-74

Most steals-game: Jason Nelson 9-1995

Most steals-season: Jason Nelson 65-1995

Most steals-career: Jason Nelson 193-1992-95

Most assists-game: Mark Ryken 11-1990-91

Most assists-season: Mark Ryken 169-1990-91

Most assists-career: Jason Nelson 285-1992-95

Most 3's made-game: Tate Pesicka 9-2004-05

Most 3's made-season: Tate Pesicka 62-2004-05

Most 3's made-career: Tate Pesicka 109-2003-06

Best FT %-season: Steve Diekmann 86.9-1989-90

Best FT %-career: Steve Diekmann 82.1 (165-201)-1989-91

Best FG%-season: Colton Iverson 65.9-2006-2007

Individual Scoring List

1. Chad Nelson: 1974-1668
2. Tate Pesicka: 2006-1164
3. Colton Iverson: 2008-977
4. Jay Smith: 1986-949
5. Steve Diekmann: 1991-927
6. Bob Stransky: 1954-925
7. Dennis Lokken: 1965-857
8. Jason Nelson: 1995-850
9. Dan Dikes: 1976-842
10. Jerry Lawson: 1967-830
11. Steve Krier: 1976-815
12. Randy Gross: 1978-809
13. **Brady Hale: 2015-770**
14. Bill Whisler: 1958-766
15. Jay Sohier: 1982-738
16. Dennis Jones: 1970-719
17. Mark Haugland: 1974-708
18. Roger Smith: 1964-670
19. Tony Overbaugh: 1987-638
20. Pete Johnson: 1966-596
21. **JJ Hejna: 2014-592**
22. Scott Nedved: 1998-565
23. Lance Wipf: 1993-555
24. Jud Bertsch: 1989-551
25. Wes Holmgren: 1964-544
26. Brad Gaulke: 1998-529



#	Player	TOTAL										3-PT										REBOUNDS									
		GP	GS	MIN	AVG	FG	FGA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	FT	FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	TOT	R/G	PF	A	TOT	BLK	ST	P/S	P/G						
1	Nate Stephenson	14	5	128	9.1	3	10	300	1	5	200	0	1	1,000	1	11	12	0.9	11	7	5	0	4	7	0.5						
2	Cameron Krejci	15	0	124	8.3	6	23	261	3	16	1,883	3	4	750	1	7	8	0.5	8	6	3	0	2	18	1.2						
3	Tanner Frick	23	22	588	25.6	95	226	420	14	50	2,800	59	99	5,936	21	61	82	3.6	34	61	77	2	34	263	11.4						
4	Justin Leader	13	5	79	6.1	7	20	350	1	12	883	3	5	600	3	3	6	0.5	6	9	3	0	3	18	1.4						
5	Jack Wojtyra	23	12	517	22.5	32	90	356	27	71	3,803	3	8	735	19	28	47	2.0	43	25	18	0	16	94	4.1						
10	Reld Sawatzke	2	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0						
11	Blake Cwach	6	0	7	1.2	0	1,000	0	1	1,000	0	0	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0						
14	Rex Rynken	13	0	216	16.6	29	69	420	15	43	3,497	7	10	700	12	19	31	2.4	19	14	14	0	9	80	6.2						
20	Blake Savoy	23	21	422	18.3	28	96	292	9	48	1,888	23	35	657	10	12	55	65	2.8	39	20	21	1	12	88	3.8					
21	Casey Krejci	22	0	196	8.9	6	19	316	1	10	1,100	1	5	200	5	15	20	0.9	16	10	12	0	5	14	0.6						
22	Chris Kinsley	5	0	4	0.9	0	1,000	0	0	1,000	0	0	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0						
23	Devin Millen	9	3	52	5.8	4	11	364	4	11	364	4	11	364	5	7	12	1.3	0	1	3	0	1	9	1.0						
30	Syd Boots	22	20	99	4.5	6	18	333	0	5	1,000	1	1	1,000	7	22	29	1.3	6	6	10	0	4	13	0.6						
31	Nathan Hein	7	0	7	1.0	1	3	333	0	1	1,000	0	0	1,000	3	3	3	0.4	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.3						
32	Matthew Mors	23	0	486	21.1	60	177	339	27	107	2,523	30	37	811	13	69	82	3.6	45	14	44	7	17	177	7.7						
33	Bradey Sorenson	22	20	516	23.5	100	225	444	25	87	2,877	60	89	674	39	65	104	4.7	51	28	49	1	12	285	13.0						
34	Trevor Rafferty	7	0	9	1.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0						
42	Jordan Payer	19	2	128	6.8	9	19	474	1	2	500	4	11	364	10	15	25	1.3	34	1	8	1	2	23	1.2						
50	Unknown	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0						

TEAM	Yankton	Opponents
Yankton	23	23
Opponents	3579	3560
Yankton	386	467
Opponents	1008	992
Yankton	383	471
Opponents	115	327
Yankton	124	460
Opponents	270	195
Yankton	308	271
Opponents	633	642
Yankton	166	417
Opponents	523	523
Yankton	583	688
Opponents	29,936	29,936
Yankton	275	275
Opponents	12,122	12,122
Yankton	47.4	47.4
Opponents	53.2	53.2

TEAM STATISTICS	Yank	OPP	Date	Opponent	Score	WL Record	Attend
SCORING	1091	1223	12/11/15	*a Mitchell	58-31	W	1-0
Points per game	47.4	53.2	12/17/15	*a Harrisburg	47-43	W	2-0
Scoring margin	-5.7	-	12/19/15	*a Brandon Valley	22-46	L	2-1
FIELD GOALS-ATT	386-1008	467-992	12/22/15	a Sioux Falls Washington	75-70	W	3-1
Field goal pct	.383	.471	01/02/16	*a Pierre T.F. Riggs	53-56	L	3-2
3 POINT FG-ATT	124-460	115-327	01/07/16	*a Brookings	51-50	2OTW	4-2
3-point FG pct	.270	.352	01/09/16	*a Aberdeen Central	36-65	L	4-3
3-pt FG made per game	5.4	5.0	01/12/16	a Sioux Falls Lincoln	34-55	L	4-4
FREE THROWS-ATT	195-308	174-271	01/16/16	*a Watertown	55-67	L	4-5
Free throw pct	.633	.642	01/19/16	a Sioux Falls O'Gorman	53-59	L	4-6
REBOUNDS	583	688	01/23/16	*a Huron	41-51	L	4-7
Rebounds per game	25.3	29.9	01/26/16	*a Brookings	43-55	L	4-8
Rebounding margin	-4.6	-	01/28/16	*a Harrisburg	60-53	W	5-8
ASSISTS	203	230	02/04/16	h Sioux Falls Roosevelt	55-48	W	6-8
Assists per game	8.8	10.0	02/09/16	*a Brandon Valley	42-45	L	6-9
TURNOVERS	275	291	02/11/16	*a Huron	29-50	L	6-10
Turnovers per game	12.0	12.7	02/13/16	*a Pierre T.F. Riggs	37-53	L	6-11
Turnover margin	-0.7	-	02/19/16	*a Aberdeen Central	50-62	L	6-12
Assist / turnover ratio	0.7	0.8	02/20/16	*a Watertown	51-55	L	6-13
STEALS	122	139	02/23/16	*a Mitchell	57-38	W	7-13
Steals per game	5.3	6.0	02/27/16	h Harrisburg	56-46	W	8-13
BLOCKS	17	17	03/01/16	a Sioux Falls Washington	40-69	L	8-14
Blocks per game	0.5	0.7	03/04/16	a Brandon Valley	46-56	L	8-15
ATTENDANCE	0	0					
Home games-Avg/Game	11-0	12-0					
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	-					
SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st 2nd 3rd 4th OT1 OT2 TOTAL	286 332 287 313 3 2 1223	243 289 274 279 3 3 1091				

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Note: \*denotes a conference game.

# Yankton Bucks

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Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Score	W/L	*Seed Pts.	Opp. W-L
Dec 11	8:00 p.m. CT	Mitchell	Mitchell	56-31	W	41	4-16
Dec 17	8:00 p.m. CT	Harrisburg	Harrisburg	46-44	W	41	3-17
Dec 19	7:00 p.m. CT	Brandon Valley	Brandon Valley	23-46	L	33	8-12
Dec 22	7:30 p.m. CT	Sioux Falls Washington	SF Washington	75-70	W	50	16-4
Jan 02	6:00 p.m. CT	Pierre T.F. Riggs	Yankton	53-56	L	36	13-7
Jan 07	8:00 p.m. CT	Brookings	Yankton	51-50 2OT	W	44	6-14
Jan 09	5:00 p.m. CT	Aberdeen Central	Aberdeen	36-65	L	39	15-5
Jan 12	8:00 p.m. CT	Sioux Falls Lincoln	Yankton	34-55	L	33	8-12
Jan 16	7:00 p.m. CT	Watertown	Watertown	55-67	L	39	15-5
Jan 19	7:30 p.m. CT	Sioux Falls O'Gorman	SF O'Gorman	53-59	L	39	15-5
Jan 23	6:00 p.m. CT	Huron	Yankton	41-51	L	39	17-3
Jan 26	8:00 p.m. CT	Brookings	Brookings	43-55	L	33	6-14
Jan 28	8:00 p.m. CT	Harrisburg	Yankton	60-53	W	41	3-17
Feb 04	8:00 p.m. CT	Sioux Falls Roosevelt	Yankton	55-48	W	47	10-10
Feb 09	8:00 p.m. CT	Brandon Valley	Yankton	42-45	L	33	8-12
Feb 11	8:00 p.m. CT	Huron	Huron	29-50	L	39	17-3
Feb 13	7:00 p.m. CT	Pierre T.F. Riggs	Pierre	37-53	L	36	13-7
Feb 19	7:00 p.m. CT	Aberdeen Central	Yankton	50-62	L	39	15-5
Feb 20	6:00 p.m. CT	Watertown	Yankton	51-55	L	39	15-5
Feb 23	8:00 p.m. CT	Mitchell	Yankton	57-38	W	41	4-16

\* Game not included in school's win-loss record

Home Game | Away Game | Tournament/Classic Game

Seed Points Average  
**39.100**

\* Seed points awarded based on opponent's win percentage (opponent's wins divided by opponent's number of games played):

Opp. Win Pct.	Pts. for Win	Pts. for Loss
.750 and above	50	39
.500 - .749	47	36
.250 - .499	44	33
.249 and below	41	30

- Games against non-varsity opponents do not count towards seed points
- Two (2) points deducted for each game played against an opponent from one (1) classification lower
- Three (3) points deducted for each game played against an opponent from two (2) classifications lower

# Yankton Bucks

- Varsity
- Junior Varsity
- Sophomore
- Freshman (C)

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Wh.	Dk.	Name	Ht.	Pos.	Grade
1	1	Nate Stephenson	6'0"	G	11
2	2	Cameron Krejci	6'0"	G/F	10
3	3	Tanner Frick	5'11"	G	12
4	4	Justin Leader	5'8"	G	11
5	5	Jack Wolfram	5'9"	G	10
10	10	Reid Sawatzke	6'0"	G	12
11	11	Blake Cwach	5'11"	G	11
14	14	Rex Ryken	6'1"	G/F	9
20	20	Blake Savy	6'2"	G/F	12
21	21	Casey Krejci	6'1"	G/F	10
22	22	Chris Kinsley	6'0"	F/C	11
23	23	Devin Millen	6'4"	F/C	12
25	25	Keenan LaCroix	6'3"	F	12
30	30	Syd Boots	6'1"	F	12
31	31	Nathan Hein	6'1"	F/C	11
32	32	Mathew Mors	6'4"	F/C	7
33	33	Bradey Sorenson	6'2"	F/C	12
34	34	Trevor Rafferty	6'0"	G/F	10
42	42	Jordan Payer	6'3"	F/C	11

Head Coach:	Chris Haynes
Asst. Coaches:	Artin Likness, Jason Savy, Grant Rolles, Jim Thorson, Sam Matzke
Managers:	Trevor Hanson
Statisticians:	Savannah Woods, Tessa Folkers, Tori Lammers
Ath. Trainer:	Trevor Woods
Cheerleaders:	Kylee Duncan, Sydney Ingalls, Thaya Jensen, Kirsten May, Carly Turner, Alleysia Ugofsky
Cheer Coach:	Jacki Ellis
Superintendent:	Dr. Wayne Kindle
Principal:	Dr. Jennifer Johnke
Ath. Director:	Ryan Mors
School Colors:	Red/Black
School Song:	Trio From the Land of Gold