

# OUR GOLDEN LIST

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**2012-2013:** Michael Rucker, Andrew Hummel, Kellen Soulek, Sam Wendte, Zach Benjamin

**2013-2014:** JJ Hejna, Ryan Olson, Lane Sawatzke, Mitch Gullikson, Chipper Granflatten

**2014-2015:** Brady Hale, Evan Greeneway, Matt Fitzgerald, Austin Johnson, Sam Bisgard, Luke Rockne

**2015-2016:** Reid Sawatzke, Tanner Frick, Bradey Sorenson, Blake Savey, Keenan LaCroix, Syd Boots

**2016-2017:** Nate Stephenson, Justin Leader

**2017-2018:** Jack Wolfram, Casey Krejci, Cameron Krejci, Ben Jurrens

**2018-2019:** Rex Ryken, Owen Feser, Miles Carda, Cole Sawatzke, Kierren Luellman, Justin Cap

**2019-2020:** Cooper Cornemann, Hunter Kotrous, Dylan Horn

**2020-2021:** Matthew Mors, Trevor Fitzgerald, Aidan Feser, Kaden Luellman

**2021-2022:** Colton Potts, Jaden Kral, Dylan Prouty

## **YHS BASKETBALL FAMILY: IT IS MORE THAN JUST A GAME**

YHS Basketball. It is more than just a game. Hate when people tell us don't take it so seriously "it is just a game." It is not just a game!

Basketball is a way of life to us; our program is family. We use basketball to teach life lessons to the kids we love. It is teaching kids we love that caring about something more than yourself and working for something greater than yourself is a great thing. It is teaching them that working hard is very rewarding and anything worthwhile in this life will take hard work to attain. Learning things like responsibility, accountability, communication, humility and maturity just to name a few. These are things that we develop on a daily basis through the game of basketball. Because if you don't have these things you don't win games. If you don't have people of high character you will not be successful. The kids on this list all have demonstrated that they have high character because that is what it takes to make it through our basketball program for all four years of high school. It is very competitive. There are around 400-450 boys walking the halls of YHS every year and only a handful make it to their senior year being a Buck basketball player.

We love coaching in Yankton because we get to start a relationship with our players when they come to camp as 1<sup>st</sup> graders. We get to see them go from children to boys to men. This list means the world to us. These are our guys! Guys that we cared deeply about when they played for us and still care about today. We hope with all our hearts for the best for each and every one of them as they move forward in life. These kids are why we coach. These kids are why basketball is more than just a game to us. These kids are why basketball is a way of life for us.