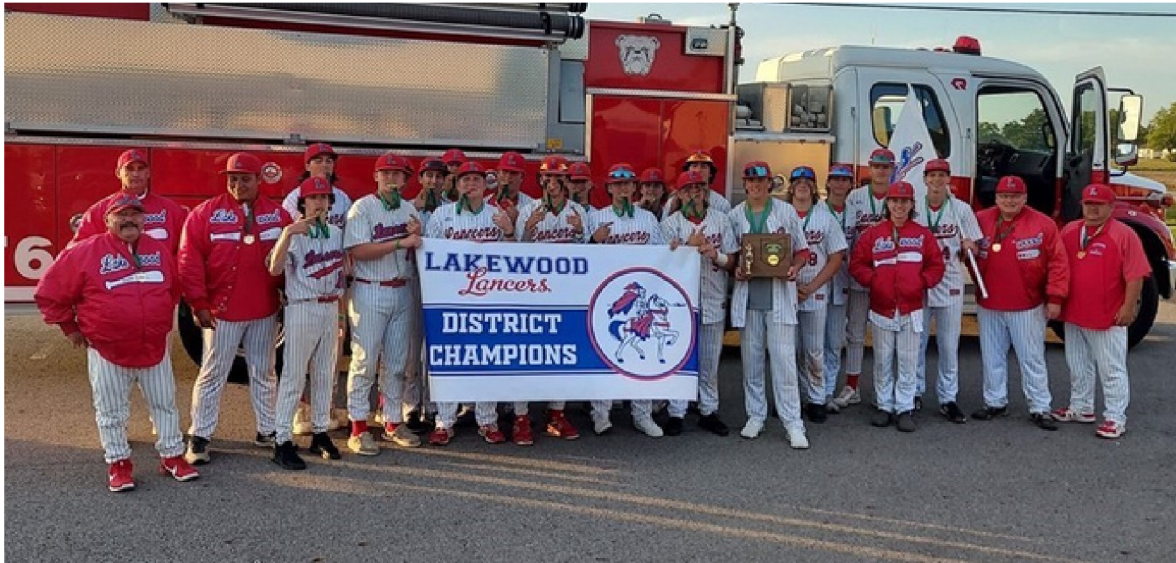




LANCERS

ATHLETIC NEWSLETTER

Baseball Wins 15th District Championship



The 2022-2023 Baseball program started to play their best ball of the season at the the start of the postseason to win the program's 15th District Championship!

Before going into the postseason, the 9-16 Lancers (6-9 in the LCL) picked up a end-of-the-year win over West Jefferson, which started a three-game win streak in the OHSAA Tournament. Their tournament win streak (7-3 over Granville, 3-2 over London, and 4-3 over Licking Valley) took them to the Regional Semifinal, where they faced #1 Hamilton Badin. The Lancers were defeated 9-2 and finished the season with a 12-17 (.413) record.

Leading the way for the Lancers this year was Junior Colten Ferry and Senior Tyler Bebout. Bebout was the Team MVP and led the team in strikeouts with 87. Ferry had the teams highest batting average with a .333. Lakewood returns nine Varsity Letter winners and 16 JV Letter winners for the 2024 season.

Lakewood's Junior Varsity finished with a record of 4-11 (.266) with victories over Fairfield Union (6-3), Utica (3-2 & 12-2), and Centennial (14-0).

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Baseball Awards

Coaches Award - *Kollin Hall*

MVP - *Tyler Bebout*

Defensive Player of the Year - *Peyton Tichenor*

Highest Batting Average - *Colton Ferry (.333)*

Most RBIs - *William Marrero (15)*

Most Strikeouts - *Tyler Bebout (86)*





Track Programs Have Competitive Season



The 2022-2023 Track & Field teams continue to make Lancer Nation proud with their performances this spring! The Boys program compiled a 32-38 (.447) record for the year. They finished in 2nd Place at our Lakewood Invitational, 3rd Place at the Sarah Robinson Relays, and 3rd Place at the LCL Championships! Caleb Rafferty (3,200) and Corey Rafferty (1,600) qualified for Regional competition (both placing Runner Up at Districts), as well as Josh Hicks (100), Ryan Byers (800), and the 4x800 relay team of Caleb Rafferty, Corey Rafferty, Ryan Byers, and Derrick Norwood which placed 8th overall at Regionals. Corey Rafferty he ran a personal best 4:31.22 in the 1,600 at Regionals and placed 6th!

The Lady Lancers finished 32-38 (.447) on the season, in which they placed 3rd at our Lakewood Invitational, the Sarah Robinson Relays, and the LCL Championships. The girls' team was led by Landry Driskel and Addison Pound. Driskel, who was voted LCL Field Athlete of the Year as well as the team's "Field MVP," would go on to win LCL and District Discus Titles! She placed 4th at Regionals and was Runner-Up at the State meet, where she threw a school record 134 feet, 1 inch! Pound was LCL Runner Up in both the 800 and 1600, and she placed 3rd in the 1600 and 4th in the 800 at Districts to qualify for Regionals! In addition for the girls, Audrey Howell finished 2nd in the High Jump at the LCL Championships, and the 4x800 relay crew of Maggie Taylor, Molly Jones, Shelby Heist, and Addison Pound placed 3rd!

Track Awards

Boys

Track MVP - Corey Rafferty

Field MVP - Brendon Thorp

Most Improved - Derrick Norwood

Girls

Track MVP - Addison Pound

Field MVP - Landry Driskel

Most Improved - Maggie Taylor

Outstanding Newcomer - Jaylie Maas



Landry Driskel

LCL Champion - Discus

LCL Field Athlete of the Year

District Champion - Discus

Regional Qualifier/4th Place - Discus

State Runner-Up - Discus

Corey Rafferty

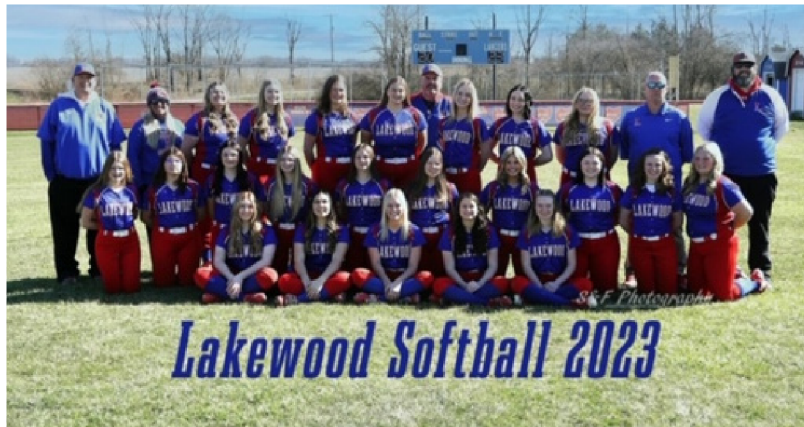
LCL Champion - 1,600

District Runner-Up - 1,600

Regional Qualifier/6th Place - 1,600



Lancer Varsity Softball 2023



Softball Awards 2023

Character
Rachel Crist & Hailey Buehrer

Team First
Adysyn Wemmer

Legacy
Meredith Parmer

"Pride on Three!"

Lakewood Softball finished the 2023 season with a 13-12-1 (.500) overall record and 6-8 (.428) in the LCL. The Lancers were led by Dani Stewart (who batted .417), Audrey Thomas (who hit .400), and Cora Redman (with a .367 average). Junior Becca Streets led all pitchers with a 7-7 record and a 3.38 ERA. Head Coach Jon Griffith won his 100th game as Head Coach when the Lady Lancers won their opening round of the OHSAA Tournament over Marion Franklin 10-0. They fell to Liberty Union 3-1 in 2nd round action.

The Lancers will return six starters and will look to a talented freshmen class to add depth. A seasoned group of Seniors - including Dani Stewart, Rachel Crist, and Becca Streets - will bring valuable leadership, along with the other returning starters, Cora Redman, Carly Williams, and Lauren Griffith.

The JV Lancers won their last two games of the season over Bishop Watterson 8-7 and Heath 13-10 to earn their "Dog Tags" and finished with a 5-11 (.312) record overall.

Spring Athletes of the Month



April

Landry Driskel - Track & Field
Colton Ferry - Baseball



March

Mason Sprankle - Baseball
Addison Pound - Track & Field

May

Madalyn Osborn - Softball
Peyton Tichenor - Baseball



Softball Field Renamed Nadolson Field



Coach Criss Nadolson was a catalyst for Lakewood's tradition of *elite* Softball by accumulating a record of 397-67 (.855) while Head Coach! From 2002-2017 the Lancers won five State Titles and were State Runner Up twice, while winning numerous District Championships. In honor of all his hard work, dedication and success in the program, Lakewood Softball and Athletics renamed the varsity field Nadolson Field on May 13, 2023.

On that day, numerous former players and coaches came out to honor Coach Nadolson. Coach gave a brief speech that credited the great success of the program to the players he coached...their investment, hard work, and sacrifices. Licking Township Fire even brought a fire truck for Coach to get one more picture on - a tradition he was instrumental in creating for teams or individuals that claimed a District Championship!



COACH NADOLSON - 2002-2017
CAREER RECORD: 397-67 (.855)
5 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS
2X STATE RUNNER UP



Lakewood Softball Player Defies the Odds

Madee Osborn returned to the softball diamond less than two months after heart surgery to play the final few games of her senior year for Lakewood! Despite doctors and nurses snapping at her to leave in a wheelchair, Osborn walked out of Nationwide Children's Hospital just three days after undergoing open heart surgery. Less than two months later, the Lakewood senior was back on the softball diamond where taking a walk has a different meaning.

Osborn made her debut April 27 for an at-bat against Bishop Watterson and played six more games, completing a shortened senior softball season for the Lancers last Friday, one that did not seem possible just two months ago. Osborn had hopes of earning a starting spot, but she instead was watching throughout the winter as her teammates prepared for the spring.

Dr. Patrick McConnell performed surgery on Osborn on March 2 and discovered 12 holes in Madee's heart. Osborn's initial best-case scenario was resuming physical activity eight weeks later.

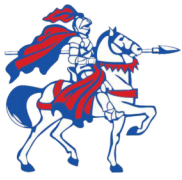
When Osborn returned to the field, she did not just wave to the crowd and take a swing. She was a contributor down the stretch for the Lancers, recording two hits and four RBIs in a 15-1 victory against Utica on May 6.

"It was probably the highlight of the season to be able to put her in a lineup and then see her get out there and perform," Head Coach Jon Griffith said.

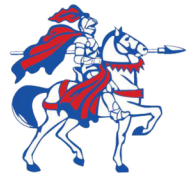
-Kurt Snider (Newark Advocate) contributed to this write-up



"They initially anticipated I wouldn't be back for the season at all," Osborn said. "I am one of those people that likes to prove people wrong. Anybody that tells me no, I tell them no." -Madee Osborn



Local Businesses Continue to Support Lakewood Athletics

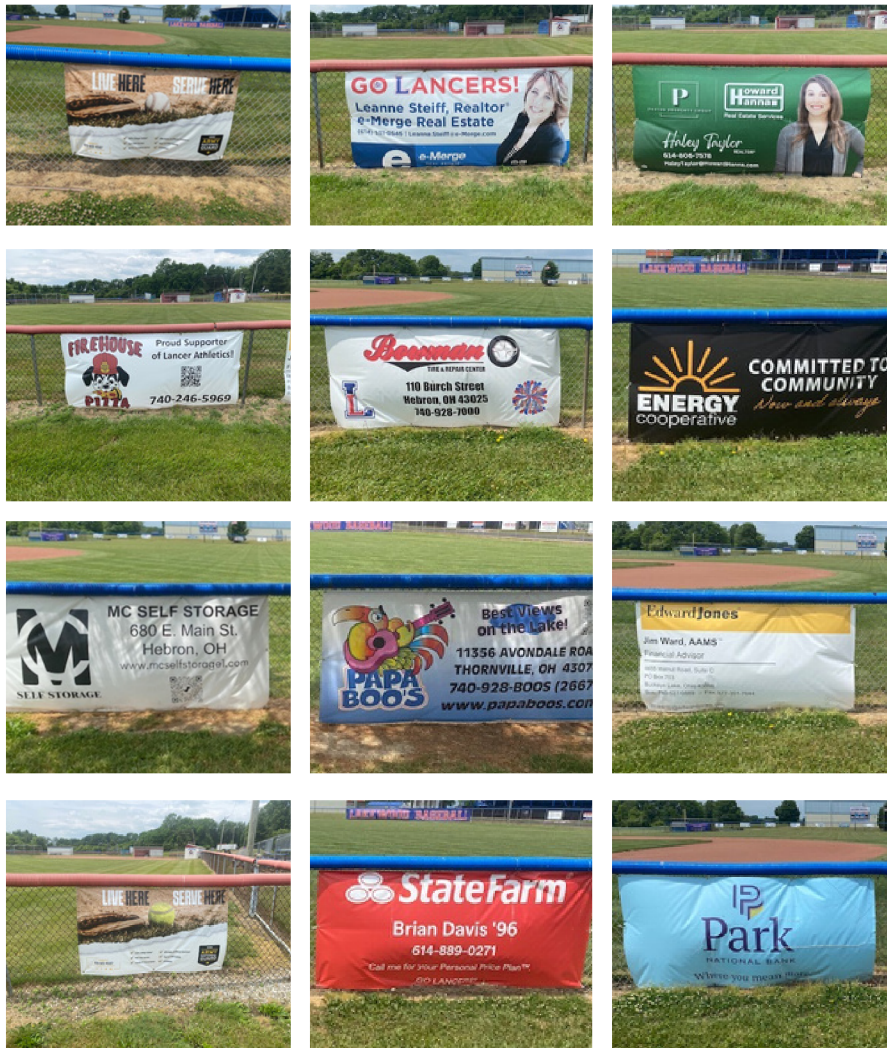


This Spring, several local businesses supported the Lakewood Athletic Department by purchasing advertising space with banners for both the Baseball and Softball fields or donating a percentage of their sales from their business back to Lakewood Athletics.

Fire House Pizza in Thornville purchased a banner for the baseball field and donated a percentage of the sales during their annual March Madness school competition back to Lakewood Athletics. **Kona Ice** donated a percentage of their sales back to Lakewood Athletics from their business at the High School LCL Track & Field Championships hosted by Lakewood this spring.

The following businesses purchased banners that were displayed at the Baseball and Softball fields, facing Lancer Road: **Papa Boo's**, **Edward Jones**, **Haley Taylor Realtor**, **Energy Cooperative**, **Park National Bank**, **Brian Davis State Farm**, **MC Self Storage**, **Bowman Tire and Repair**, **Ohio Army National Guard**, and **Leanne Steiff Realtor**.

We want to thank these companies for advertising with Lakewood Athletics, and their generous donations! Please consider them for your next purchase or services you need!



For Banners or Signs at Lancer Stadium, or to digitally advertise for the Fall and/or the Winter seasons at "The Court," please reach out to Athletic Director Jason Lee at jlee@lakewoodlocal.k12.oh.us.

Middle School Boys & Girls Track 2023



The Lakewood MS Boys Track & Field program finished with a combined duel and invitational record of 21-34 (.381). The team finished 4th at the Race at the Lake Invite and 7th at the LCL Championships! At the LCL Championships, the 4x200 & 4x400 relay teams (Evan Gardner, Braylon Brooks, Reed Parkison, and Charlie Haire) both placed 2nd! The 4x400 team's time qualified them for state! Individually, Carson Pound placed 3rd in the 1,600 meters and Braylon Brooks was 4th in the High Jump.

The Lakewood MS Girls Track & Field program finished with a combined duel and invitational record of 32-38 (.447). The team finished 5th at The Race at the Lake Invite and 9th at the LCL Championships. Gracie Burns took 4th place in both the 800 and 1,600 meters at the LCL Championships! Ashley Hanson finished 6th in the 100 hurdles and 8th in the 200 hurdles. The 4x400 relay team of Burns, Hanson, Maidel, and Pfeifer placed 8th.

Middle School Relay Team State Qualifiers



The Lakewood Middle School 4x400 relay team of Braylon Brooks (7th), Evan Gardner (8th), Reed Parkison (8th), and Charlie Haire (8th) qualified for the OHSAA State Meet held in Hilliard! The groups' continued work hard paid off, as they made significant improvement as the season progressed!

This team competed five times, recording four victories and a Runner Up before the State Championships! They improved their time from 4:10.3 at the start of April to 3:51.16 at the LCL Championships in early May! Going into the State Championships, they were ranked 23rd, and they placed 19th with a time of 3:51.92.

Long Time Lancer Coach to Retire after 50 Years



Coach Dan Sekerak has been part of both the Lakewood Track & Field and Cross Country programs for 50 years! As the season came to end this year in May, Coach made a decision to hang up the stop watch and retire from coaching.

Coach Sekerak, who spent 38 years in the classroom at Lakewood, has mentored hundreds of Lakewood students and athletes. He guided four Boys Cross Country teams to the State Championships in 1986, 1988, 1994, and 1995. The 1994 team finished 3rd. He has coached 10 All-Ohio athletes and was instrumental in starting the Girls Cross Country program.

Coach Sekerak is a member of the Lakewood Hall of Fame and will be nominated to enter next years LCL Coaches Hall of Fame.

Spring 2023 College Signings

Addison Pound - Niagara University- Cross Country/Track & Field



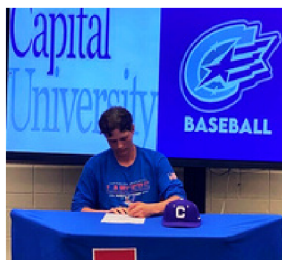
Landry Driskel - Cleveland State University - Track & Field



Josh Taylor - Otterbein University - Wrestling



Tyler Bebout - Capital University - Baseball



Spring Double L Award Winners

Jacob Rafferty

Faith Brink

Lana Foresta

Kylee Stack

Abigail Butler

Nathan Gall

Rachel Crist

Aaleeyah Lennex

Jeremiah Loudermilk

Claire Conaway

Grace Sturgell

Rebecca Streets

Ellie Conaway

Adam Crawford

Double L Award

Abigail Hanson

Alexis Spurrier

2 Varsity Letters (Same Sport)

Avery Thompson

Keegan Jacks

4 Semesters Completed

3.25 Cumulative GPA

Lancer Summer Camp Dates

Girls Youth Basketball Camp **June 17-19**

Lancer Youth Cheer Camp **June 20-22**

Boys Youth Basketball Camp **June 21-23**

Boys Youth Soccer Camp **July 10-13**

Youth Football Camp **July 26-28**

Contact Varsity Coach or Athletic Director for more information.

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Spring Lakewood All LCL/All Ohio Selections

1st Team:

Dani Stewart	Sr.	Softball
Audrey Thomas	Sr.	Softball
Tyler Bebout	Sr.	Baseball
Colton Ferry	Jr.	Baseball



2nd Team:

Meredith Parmer	Sr.	Softball
Becca Streets	Jr.	Softball
Cayden McDonald	Jr.	Baseball
William Marrero	Jr.	Baseball

3rd Team/Honorable Mentions:

Madee Osborn	Sr.	Softball
Mason Sprankle	Jr.	Baseball

All-Ohio

Landry Driskel	Sr.	Track & Field
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Lakewood Athletic Cup Final 2022-2023 Standings

1. Boys Cross Country	44
2. Girls Cross Country	37
3. Girls Golf	36
4. Girls Track	28
5. Girls Bowling	21
6. Boys Soccer	14
7. Softball	11
8. Girls Soccer	10
8. Boys Track	10
8. Baseball	10
8. Football	10
12. Volleyball	6
12. Wrestling	6
12. Boys Basketball	6
15. Co-Ed Swimming	5
18. Girls Basketball	0
18. Boys Bowling	0
18. Boys Golf	0

