CHICAGO BEARS ANNOUNCE SECOND BOYS HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL COACH OF THE WEEK AND ALL-STAR AWARD WINNERS FOR 2025

The Chicago Bears have named Head Coach Randi Dey of Round Lake High School in Round Lake, Ill., as the High School Coach of the Week, and Kaiden Stout, a running back and wide receiver at Rochester High School in Rochester, Ill., as the High School All-Star for Week 2, brought to you by Athletico Physical Therapy.

Presented weekly throughout the IHSA season, the Chicago Bears will honor standout coaches and players who demonstrate leadership, sportsmanship and commitment to their teams and communities. As part of the award programs, the Chicago Bears will contribute a $2,000 donation to the Round Lake's football program and a $500 donation to the youth football program of Stout's choice.

Head Coach Randi Dey - Round Lake High School



This past Friday, Sept. 5, Head Coach Randi Dey guided the Round Lake Panthers to a decisive 41–0 victory over Maine East Blue Demons, snapping a 28-game losing streak that stretched back to 2022. The win not only marked the program's first since that season, but also the first time in school history that Panthers earned a "running clock" result, a mercy-rule finish triggered by a 40-point lead in the second half.

Coach Dey, a 2000 Round Lake graduate and U.S. Army veteran, returned to his alma mater this spring after five seasons coaching at Carmel Catholic High School under former Chicago Bear Alum Jason McKie. Known for emphasizing resilience, accountability and steady improvement, he has worked to shift the culture of a program that had gone winless the past two seasons. His leadership and focus have already sparked renewed confidence among players and the community.

The Round Lake Panthers will look to build on their momentum as they chase their first winning season in more than two decades when they travel to Grayslake, Ill., to face the Grayslake North Knights on Friday, Sept. 12.

Kaiden Stout – Rochester High School



This past Friday, Sept. 5, senior running back and wide receiver Kaiden Stout delivered an impressive performance, powering the Rochester Rockets to a 28–24 comeback win over defending Class 4A runner-up Mount Zion Braves. With his team trailing 24–13 in the fourth quarter, Stout catches a 31-yard touchdown pass to close the gap. Then on another play he powered through the Braves' defense for the game-winning six-yard rushing touchdown with just six minutes remaining.

Overall, Stout carried the ball 36 times for 286 yards and two touchdowns, while adding three receptions for 55 yards and another touchdown. His 356 total yards of offense rank as the second-most in a single game in Rochester program history. A consistent contributor since his junior season, when he led the team with 697 rushing yards, Stout has already totaled 406 rushing yards through two games this fall. Known for his toughness, stamina and ability to rise in big moments, he continues to be the driving force behind Rochester's pursuit of another deep playoff run.

The Rochester Rockets, ranked second in Class 4A by the Associated Press, will look to keep their momentum rolling when they host the Lincoln Railsplitters on Friday, Sept. 12.

About Boys High School "Coach of the Week" & "High School All-Star"

The Chicago Bears High School Coach of the Week program was launched in 1996, followed by the High School All-Star program in 2011. Together, these initiatives honor outstanding Illinois high school coaches and players who go above and beyond for their teams and communities. The Coach of the Week program highlights coaches who develop not only football skills, but also character, leadership, discipline and teamwork. The All-Star program recognizes athletes based on on-field performance, sportsmanship and community involvement.

Winners are nominated by a panel of local high school sports journalists and selected each week during the 2025 IHSA football season. Since the programs began, the Chicago Bears have donated more than $414,000 to Illinois high schools in support of their football programs. For more information, please visit ChicagoBears.com/Community/High-School-Football.

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