

ELKS ATHLETICS WEEKLY

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CENTERVILLE ATHLETICS · WEEKLY SUMMARY · MARCH 30 – APRIL 5, 2026 · FOR HEAD COACHES & ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT STAFF

RECORDS AT A GLANCE

SPORT	RECORD	STREAK
SOFTBALL	5-2	W1
BASEBALL	2-2	L2
BOYS VOLLEYBALL	6-2 · 2-0 GWOC	W2
GIRLS LACROSSE	5-0	W5
BOYS LACROSSE	1-2	W1
GIRLS TRACK	Season Opener	—

VARSITY SOFTBALL

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5-2 Overall · W1 Streak · 3rd in GWOC

W1 STREAK

The Elks turned in their best offensive performance of the young season Saturday, routing North Canton Hoover **14-2** in a run-rule shortened five innings. Centerville exploded for **11 runs in the fourth inning alone**, finishing with 14 hits. The blowout capped a three-game stretch in which the Elks went 2-1, including a **10-0 mercy-rule win over Hamilton Ross** on Tuesday and a **9-3 defeat of Mason** on Friday. A 13-3 loss to Kings also on Friday was the week's lone setback in what was a tournament split.

Caitlyn Belcher (So) continues to be the story. The sophomore who went the distance in both the 2025 OHSAA Division I state semifinal and state championship game as a freshman now holds **3 wins (T-2nd GWOC), 26 strikeouts (4th), and a 1.68 ERA (4th)**. She has shown no ill effects from last June's historic run.

Natalie Carr (Jr) is hitting **.667 — 2nd best in the GWOC**, giving Centerville a dangerous presence at the top of the lineup to complement what Belcher does in the circle. The Elks have scored 50 runs in seven games (7.1/game).



Photo: Rev Studios · Centerville vs. Lakota East

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	RECORD
Mar 31	Hamilton Ross	W 10-0	3-1
Apr 4	vs. Mason	W 9-3	4-1
Apr 4	vs. Kings	L 3-13	4-2
Apr 4	NC Hoover	W 14-2	5-2

BATTING AVG	Natalie Carr (Jr)	2nd — .667
WINS	Caitlyn Belcher (So)	T-2nd — 3
STRIKEOUTS	Caitlyn Belcher (So)	4th — 26 K
ERA	Caitlyn Belcher (So)	4th — 1.68

■ **TREND** | Three wins in last four games. Offense averaging 7.1 runs per game. Belcher and Carr are both top-4 in their primary GWOC stats. GWOC play hasn't started yet.

VARSITY BASEBALL

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2-2 Overall · L2 Streak · GWOC Play Ahead

L2

A difficult bookend week masked a genuine highlight. On **Thursday, April 2**, sophomore **Bronson Weng** delivered one of the finest pitching performances of the early GWOC season — going **five innings, allowing zero earned runs, and striking out seven** in a **5-0 shutout of Fairfield**. Weng also contributed at the plate with a **two-RBI double**. **Luke Maciejewski (Sr)** went 2-for-2 with an RBI on the day.



Photo: Rev Studios - Centerville vs. Elder

The good news on Thursday couldn't offset tough losses to Lakota West (11-3, Friday) and Anderson (5-2, Saturday) — two well-coached programs. The Elks are 2-2 heading into GWOC play, sitting in the middle of the conference standings.

Josh Becker (Jr) leads the entire GWOC with a **.714 batting average** — the best mark in the conference through early-season play.

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	RECORD
Apr 2	Fairfield	W 5-0	2-0
Apr 4	at Lakota West	L 3-11	2-1
Apr 4	Anderson	L 2-5	2-2

BATTING AVG **Josh Becker (Jr)** **#1 — .714**

■ **TREND** | Lost 2 straight but the Fairfield shutout showed real pitching depth. Becker's .714 average leads the entire conference. GWOC schedule begins soon — results from non-conference play haven't defined anyone yet.

BOYS VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

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6-2 Overall · 2-0 GWOC · T-2nd in Conference

2-0 GWOC

W2

The Elks hit the road for the **Upper Arlington Invitational on Saturday** and answered a first-set loss with three consecutive wins over UA (3-1) and a dominant sweep of Trotwood (25-9, 25-3, 25-7). The lone blemish was a 3-1 loss to Hilliard Davidson. Combined with a **3-0 win over Mason on Tuesday (March 31)**, Centerville is now 6-2 overall and **perfect in GWOC play at 2-0**, tied with Beavercreek.

In the Upper Arlington match, **Sean Chaudhuri (Sr)** led all players with **17 kills** across four sets. **Michael Thompson (Jr)** added 10 kills and 3 blocks. **Caden Peterson (Sr)** orchestrated with **35 assists** in the match alone.

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	RECORD
Mar 31	Mason	W 3-0	5-1
Apr 4	vs. Upper Arlington	W 3-1	6-1
Apr 4	vs. Trotwood	W 3-0	6-1
Apr 4	vs. Hilliard Davidson	L 1-3	6-2

KILLS	Sean Chaudhuri (Sr)	2nd — 72
KILLS	Adam Beeler (Sr)	5th — 60
BLOCKS	Michael Thompson (Jr)	T-3rd — 18
DIGS	Richard Winters (Sr)	#1 — 70
ACES	Caden Peterson (Sr)	2nd — 18

■ TREND | Won 5 of last 6. Undefeated in GWOC play. Three players in top 5 of a major stat category. Winters leads the entire conference in digs (70). This is one of the hottest programs in the building.

GIRLS VARSITY LACROSSE

■ **GIRLS VARSITY LACROSSE**
 5-0 Overall · UNDEFEATED · 1st in GWOC

UNDEFEATED
W5

The Elks extended their perfect start with two wins this week: **18-13 over Hilliard Darby** (March 31) and a hard-fought **13-12 victory over Mason** on April 2. Centerville leads the GWOC in overall record at 5-0 and enters conference play as the clear favorite.

Lucia Christofano (Jr) is in the middle of what may be the most dominant individual statistical season in the GWOC this spring. She leads the entire conference in **goals (31), assists (12), and draw controls (32)** — first in all three categories simultaneously through five games. Her combination of offensive production and possession dominance is exceptional.

Ella Buckingham (Jr) leads the GWOC in **caused turnovers (6)** and ranks 3rd in both goals (13) and draw controls (24). Senior goalkeeper **Kara Bentley** is 2nd in the conference in saves (45). **Hannah Eggert (Sr)** adds 18 draw controls (5th).



Photo: Rev Studios · Centerville vs. Northmont

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	RECORD
Mar 31	Hilliard Darby	W 18-13	4-0
Apr 2	Mason	W 13-12	5-0

GOALS	Lucia Christofano (Jr)	#1 — 31
ASSISTS	Lucia Christofano (Jr)	#1 — 12
DRAW CTRL	Lucia Christofano (Jr)	#1 — 32
DRAW CTRL	Ella Buckingham (Jr)	3rd — 24
GOALS	Ella Buckingham (Jr)	3rd — 13
CAUSED TO	Ella Buckingham (Jr)	#1 — 6
SAVES	Kara Bentley (Sr)	2nd — 45
DRAW CTRL	Hannah Eggert (Sr)	5th — 18

■ TREND | Five wins, zero losses. Christofano leads the GWOC in goals, assists, AND draw controls simultaneously. Three Centerville players rank #1 in a major defensive/offensive stat. GWOC play hasn't started.

BOYS VARSITY LACROSSE

■ **BOYS VARSITY LACROSSE**
 1-2 Overall · W1 Streak · GWOC Play Ahead

W1

The boys broke into the win column emphatically on **Friday, April 3**, defeating **Gahanna Lincoln 16-4** — the program's most complete performance of the season. The two earlier losses came against **New Albany (5-14)** and **Saint Ignatius (2-13)**, two of the top boys lacrosse programs in Ohio. Neither result reflects where this team is headed. GWOC play has not yet begun.

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	RECORD
Mar 13	at New Albany	L 5-14	0-1
Mar 19	at Saint Ignatius	L 2-13	0-2
Apr 3	Gahanna Lincoln	W 16-4	1-2

ASSISTS	Nick Wilhelm (Jr)	T-1st — 8
SAVES	Ian Dorsten (Jr)	3rd — 40
INTERCEPTIONS	Ian Dorsten (Jr)	2nd — 2
CAUSED TO	Liam Haver (Jr)	#1 — 14
CAUSED TO	Dawson Kerr (Jr)	3rd — 12

■ **TREND** | The 16-4 win over Gahanna showed what this team can do. Haver and Kerr lead the GWOC in caused turnovers — the defense is making an impact. GWOC schedule ahead provides a real path forward.

TRACK & FIELD — SEASON OPENER

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Season Opener · April 5 at Northmont

SEASON OPENER

Both the boys and girls programs opened their 2026 outdoor track & field season Saturday at Northmont. Several athletes made immediate impressions in their season debuts.

ATHLETE	CLASS	EVENT	RESULT
Addison Hogendoorn	Fr	100 Meter Dash	2nd Place — Season Debut
Alyssa Grim	Jr	High Jump	T-1st Place
Simon Young Linck	Jr	400 Meter Dash	3rd Place
Alianne Boehm	So	Girls Mile (1600m)	2nd Place

■ **TREND** | Freshman Hogendoorn's 2nd-place 100m finish on her outdoor debut is a program highlight. Grim's shared first in the high jump and Boehm's 2nd-place mile provide depth across events. GWOC track stats will populate as the season progresses.

CENTERVILLE GWOC STATISTICAL LEADERS — ALL SPORTS

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ATHLETE	SPORT	CATEGORY	RANK
Josh Becker (Jr)	Baseball	Batting Avg (.714)	#1 GWOC
Lucia Christofano (Jr)	Girls Lacrosse	Goals (31)	#1 GWOC

Lucia Christofano (Jr)	Girls Lacrosse	Assists (12)	#1 GWOC
Lucia Christofano (Jr)	Girls Lacrosse	Draw Controls (32)	#1 GWOC
Richard Winters (Sr)	Boys Volleyball	Digs (70)	#1 GWOC
Ella Buckingham (Jr)	Girls Lacrosse	Caused Turnovers (6)	#1 GWOC
Liam Haver (Jr)	Boys Lacrosse	Caused Turnovers (14)	#1 GWOC
Nick Willhelm (Jr)	Boys Lacrosse	Assists (8)	T-1st GWOC
Natalie Carr (Jr)	Softball	Batting Avg (.667)	2nd GWOC
Caden Peterson (Sr)	Boys Volleyball	Aces (18)	2nd GWOC
Caden Peterson (Sr)	Boys Volleyball	Assists (196)	2nd GWOC
Sean Chaudhuri (Sr)	Boys Volleyball	Kills (72)	2nd GWOC
Kara Bentley (Sr)	Girls Lacrosse	Saves (45)	2nd GWOC
Ella Buckingham (Jr)	Girls Lacrosse	Draw Controls (24)	3rd GWOC
Ella Buckingham (Jr)	Girls Lacrosse	Goals (13)	3rd GWOC
Ian Dorsten (Jr)	Boys Lacrosse	Saves (40)	3rd GWOC
Caitlyn Belcher (So)	Softball	ERA (1.68)	4th GWOC
Caitlyn Belcher (So)	Softball	Strikeouts (26 K)	4th GWOC
Adam Beeler (Sr)	Boys Volleyball	Kills (60)	5th GWOC
Michael Thompson (Jr)	Boys Volleyball	Blocks (18)	T-3rd GWOC

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WEEK AT A GLANCE · VARSITY EVENTS · APRIL 6 – 12, 2026

MON, APR 6

4:00 PM	■ Boys Varsity Tennis (Gold) at Miami Valley School	MVS	AWAY
7:15 PM	■ Boys Varsity Lacrosse at St. Xavier	St. Xavier	AWAY

TUE, APR 7

4:00 PM	■ Boys Varsity Tennis (Gold) at Springfield	Springfield HS	AWAY
4:30 PM	■ Boys Varsity Tennis (Black) vs Tippecanoe B	CHS	HOME
5:00 PM	■ Boys Varsity Baseball at Alter	Brandt Field	AWAY
7:00 PM	■ Girls Varsity Lacrosse vs Springboro	Alumni Stadium	HOME
7:30 PM	■ Boys Varsity Volleyball at Elder	Elder HS	AWAY

WED, APR 8

4:00 PM	■ Boys Varsity Tennis (Gold) vs Bellbrook	CHS	HOME
4:00 PM	■ Boys Varsity Tennis (Black) vs Little Miami	CHS	HOME
5:00 PM	■ Boys Varsity Baseball at Northmont	Northmont HS	AWAY
5:00 PM	■ Girls Varsity Softball at Northmont	Northmont HS	AWAY
7:00 PM	■ Boys Varsity Lacrosse at Hilliard Davidson	Hilliard Davidson	AWAY

THU, APR 9

4:00 PM	■ Boys Varsity Tennis (Gold) at Northmont	Northmont HS	AWAY
4:30 PM	■ Boys Varsity Tennis (Black) at Beaver Creek B	Beaver Creek HS	AWAY
5:30 PM	■ Boys Varsity Volleyball at Northmont	Northmont HS	AWAY

FRI, APR 10

4:00 PM	■ Boys Varsity Tennis (Gold) at Mason	Mason HS	AWAY
5:00 PM	■ Boys Varsity Baseball vs Northmont	CHS	HOME
5:00 PM	■ Girls Varsity Softball vs Northmont	CHS	HOME
7:30 PM	■ Girls Varsity Lacrosse at Dublin Coffman	Dublin Coffman HS	AWAY

SAT, APR 11

9:00 AM	■ Boys Varsity Tennis (Black) vs Springboro B	CHS	HOME
10:00 AM	■ Boys Varsity Baseball at OLSM	Butler HS	AWAY
10:00 AM	■ Boys Varsity Volleyball vs Elite 8 Tournament	CHS	HOME
10:00 AM	■ Coed Varsity Track at Pickerington North	Pickerington North	AWAY
TBD	■ Girls Varsity Softball at Watkins Memorial	Watkins Mem HS	AWAY
3:00 PM	■ Boys Varsity Lacrosse vs Loveland	Alumni Stadium	HOME
4:00 PM	■ Boys Varsity Tennis (Gold) vs Lakota West	CHS	HOME

SUN, APR 12

No varsity events scheduled

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	H/A
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