

## September Athlete of the Month: Kaden Krutzfeldt

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Kaden is a senior athlete at Wolsey-Wessington High School competing in football and basketball. He began playing in 3rd grade and over the last ten years, he has been honing his skills in his positions while learning how to best serve his team. With his senior football season underway, Kaden is excited to be a co-captain, and as a center, continue leading the lineman in plays and tactics. During his athletic career, Kaden has learned how the action of a single player can significantly impact the team as a whole. He understands the weight of his responsibility to protect his teammates on each play to help them achieve success. Last season was a tough one due to COVID and players being isolated, but Kaden continued to practice, lift, and prepare to return to play to the best of his ability; his team was counting on him. These efforts and preparation helped the team earn the 2020 9B State Football Championship title, which was a goal and humbling accomplishment for Kaden. Coach Bennett White remarked, “Kaden is driven, disciplined, and continues to grow in his skills and leadership.” In addition to his success on the football field, Kaden is a member of the varsity basketball team, which earned the title of 281 Conference Champions; he also enjoys playing baseball, which he was introduced to when he was five years old.

In the community, Kaden is very active within his livestock activities. He has participated in FFA for four years as a judge and 4-H for nine years showing livestock and designing/constructing static exhibits. Other extracurricular activities include band, President of National Honors Society, and sound manager of the school’s One Act Play. With all his activities and a flawless GPA, it’s apparent Kaden stays busy pushing himself academically and athletically.

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### Getting to know Kaden:

**FUTURE PLANS:**

I hope to attend South Dakota State University to study wildlife and fisheries sciences.

**FAVORITE QUOTE:**

“There may be people that have more talent than you, but there’s no excuse for anyone to work harder than you do.”  
- Derek Jeter

**FAVORITE FOOD:**

Steak

**FAVORITE PRE-GAME SONG:**

“We Ready” - Archie Eversole

**HIGHLIGHT OF KADEN'S  
HIGH SCHOOL CAREER:**

Winning the 2020 9B state football championship.

**FUN FACT:**

I enjoy hunting and fishing and would love to do it every day.

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