

March Athlete of the Month: Madison Hofer

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Multi-sport athlete, Madison Hofer, is a senior at Hitchcock Tulare High School where she competes in basketball, track and field, and volleyball. Madison's interest in sports began at a young age watching and supporting her older siblings at their sporting events. In 3rd grade her sport's journey began with joining the basketball team. Through the years, Madison has come to enjoy the competitive element of sports and to cherish the social encounters and friendships with her teammates. Madison states, "I really love interacting with people. I have met some of my best friends through sports and have built amazing friendships." Madison has learned valuable lessons from her years as an athlete, such as how each person on her team has a part to play and the importance of that role. Her hard work and dedication on and off the field has not gone unnoticed. Head girls' basketball coach and assistant track coach, Kristi Smith, shared about Madison, "In addition to her leadership skills and athletic ability, Madison is a very hard worker. Whether it is for academics or athletics, Madison always puts forward her best effort." For the entirety of her high school career, Madison has been a starting player for both her basketball team and her volleyball team; both of which she has served as captain for during her senior year.

Along with her various athletic responsibilities, Madison is involved with many other extracurricular activities in which she also excels. Madison has participated in all-state choir where she was able to sing with kids from other schools in Sioux Falls and Rapid City; she also plays clarinet for her school's pep band, competes in oral interpretation, and is the president of her FCCLA group. Additionally, Madison volunteers her time to her school's mentor/mentee program where she meets with and provides guidance to a younger student. Madison plans to continue her education at SDSU after graduation and pursue a degree in family consumer sciences in education.

To obtain an application for the Athlete of the Month Scholarship program email bfast@vfplanning.com, visit Vantage Financial Partners website at www.vantagefinancialwi.com, or ask your high school guidance counselor. If you are a high school senior who plays sports, attends a SD high school, you are eligible to apply for a \$1,500 scholarship sponsored by Vantage Financial Partners.



Getting to know Madison:

FAVORITE QUOTE:

"If you cannot change the situation,
you can change your attitude toward it."
- Abraham Low

FAVORITE FOOD:

Mac and Cheese

HIGHLIGHT OF YOUR SPORT CAREER:

Receiving a starting position on our varsity
basketball team as a freshman.

FUN FACT:

I can rap "Ice Ice Baby" by Vanilla Ice



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