

YES WE CAN FOUNDATION



A MESSAGE FROM COACH SCHAUER

As the winter slowly turns to spring, it's been very encouraging to see the gains our players are making as athletes as we inch closer to the summer. As a program, we strongly encourage our athletes to participate in other sports to stay well-rounded and our winter athletes are proof. With most of our athletes enrolled in a strength training class during the school day and then shifting to their winter sport after school, we expect that dedication to translate to success next fall.

As we look to next season, we will continue to work harder than ever, but as the saying goes, "Nothing changes, if nothing changes." As coaches and athletes, we will find a way to tweak things to get better everyday. Our schedule offers plenty of opportunities to prove to the state that we are a much better team than we were last season and I believe that's what we will do. With strong numbers in our senior, junior, and sophomore classes, we look forward to watching those who have what it takes step up to be leaders. I've always believed, on good teams, coaches hold players accountable, but on great teams, players hold players accountable. When this happens, success is bound to happen.

Onward Central!

-Jake Schauer





A MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

It has been a little while since we have gotten a message out as life gets busy and hectic for all of us on the board. As the weather has warmed up a little bit around here, and winter seasons are coming to a close we are excited to start thinking a bit about the high school football season.

A few weekends ago, several football players competed at the state wrestling tournament with a few athletes placing and assistant football Coach Litzinger was named EDC Coach of the Year. Several football players also participated in the state hockey tournament this past weekend and won the programs 30th State Championship. The basketball team had a really good season.

This year will be the 20 year anniversary of the 2005 state championship which is hard to fathom. On the weekend of October 10th, we will have a reunion for that team, with more information to come. We will again be awarding a scholarship(s) to one or more seniors this spring and with the help of our GFC Football alumni continue to help take care of the needs the team has. We have done a tremendous amount and there are still more things that we can do for the team. We certainly could not have made the difference we have made the past two years without all of the alumni support.

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CELEBRATING 125 SEASONS OF GFC FOOTBALL

Here are a couple of pictures from our 125th season of Central Football celebration. We had numerous past coaches along with many players from years past. There were athletes from as far back as the early 60's to players from the class of 2024. It was a tremendous two days. We had roughly 20 former players attend the practice the day before the game along with attending the Quick Party. Tailgating was an awesome turnout before the game and we also had a great time visiting and catching up with each other. There was a player in attendance from Coach Berg's first season as head coach in 1979 and another player from as far away as Arkansas. It was all just fabulous and goes to show that no matter when you played, once a Central Football player you are part of the FAMILY forever.





GETTING TO KNOW COACH DRUMM



Name: Joe Drumm

Position: Varsity Assistant Coach
6 Years on Staff

Family: **Wife:** Mary Drumm

Why do you coach football?

I coach because of the opportunities the sport provided for me: the ability to work with a group of people to achieve a goal is a skill that is useful and valuable at all facets of life. The lessons the sport taught me, the schedule and commitment of the offseason and the discipline of my program all impacted me in ways that still drive me today. I hope to offer the same kind of impact to this next generation of athletes.

What is your Favorite Memory as a football Coach?

There are so many, almost too many to count. Coaching with position groups, cracking out new gear, Burma road each year. But the biggest one that jumps to my head and consistently are good for me isn't related to one specific memory: it's the late night car rides home and the post game discussions at Purpur. After getting home from a late game, many of us often meet in Purpur and just vent. Good bad or otherwise, we talk and start to scheme. But mostly, we decompress and just are around each other. Those talks and working together makes us better as a group, and I appreciate every opportunity to grow that I can.





RECENT PURCHASES AND DONATIONS

The Yes We Can Foundation continues to give back to GFC football and athletes. Each purchase our foundation makes, continues to prove our initial need for starting the foundation: creating a long term solution to help our student-athletes.

1

SUPPORT IN THE WEIGHT ROOM

Matched the donations to provide a new weight rack



2

GREY JERSEYS

We brought back the Grey jerseys for the Alerus Game, which made for a very special night.

[Click here to see the Uniform Reveal Video](#)



3

PIZZA FOR PLAYERS

Provided pizza for players and coaches for all away games

2025 SEASON SCHEDULE

GFC FOOTBALL 2025 SCHEDULE

AUGUST 29	VS ST MARY'S	HOME	4:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 5	AT JAMESTOWN	AWAY	7:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 12	VS DICKINSON	HOME	6:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 19	AT WATFORD CITY	AWAY	TBD
SEPTEMBER 26	AT FARGO SOUTH	AWAY	7:00 PM
OCTOBER 3	VS WAHPETON	HOME	6:00 PM
OCTOBER 10	VS KINDRED	HOME	6:00 PM
OCTOBER 17	AT CENTRAL CASS	AWAY	6:00 PM
OCTOBER 24	VS RED RIVER	HOME	7:00 PM





2025 Season Schedule

8/7 Practice Begins
8/29 vs. St Mary's
9/5 @ Jamestown
9/12 vs Dickinson
9/19 @ Watford City
9/26 @ Fargo South
10/3 vs. Wahpeton
10/10 vs. Kindred - 20 Year Anniversary
10/17 @ Central Cass
10/25 vs Red River - Cushman Classic

Quick Party Highlight Videos

Thank you to **Gabe Randall** and **Zach Erickson** for all of his work on making our highlight videos for each quick party. Videos can be found on YouTube and search GFC Video Production or click on the link below.

[Preseason Scrimmage](#)

[GFC vs Jamestown](#)

[GFC vs St. Mary's](#)

[GFC vs Minot North](#)

[GFC vs WF Horace](#)

[GFC vs Fargo South](#)

GFC Football Pictures

Another special Thank you to **Lael Schmidt** for continuing to take pictures for Central Football! Lael has been taking picture for us since 2008! Click on the link below to see his pictures from this season.

[Link to Pictures](#)

Save The Date

October 10, 2025

We will be celebrating the 20 year reunion of the 2005 State Championship Football team on October 10th as the Knights take on Kindred. Join us for a night of fun, food, and celebration.

More information to come.

DONATE TODAY!

Do you want to help and support Grand Forks Central Football? The Yes We Can Foundation will be covering the cost of the Post-Game Meal for players after this playoff game. Please consider donating through Venmo or by signing up on our website. Use the information below to support your Knights!



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