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Centurions Edge Two-Time Defending 5A Champions

The varsity football team faced one of their toughest challenges of the season Friday night, hosting perennial power and two-time defending Class 5A state champion Bowling Green. In a back-and-forth contest that tested CAL in all phases, the Centurions made the key plays late to secure a 27–24 win, improving to 6–0 on the season.

Quarterback efficiency under pressure

Sophomore Jackson Burke carried the load behind center, completing 23-of-31 passes for 265 yards and three touchdowns. Despite Bowling Green's defensive pressure, Burke stayed composed, delivering accurate strikes to his playmakers.

Playmakers deliver in the clutch

Junior Ja'Hyde Brown was nearly unstoppable, hauling in 15 receptions for 175 yards and three touchdowns. His reliability on third down and explosiveness after the catch gave CAL the edge when it mattered most.

Sophomore Jayden Leak chipped in

two catches for 26 yards, while seniors Jeffrey Vazzana (19 yards) and Stone Perkins (9 yards) each added important receptions.

Senior Tyree Stoner contributed two catches for 16 yards and anchored the ground game with 66 rushing yards and a touchdown on seven carries. Vazzana added 27 rushing yards, while junior Gaines Howard provided balance with 15.

Defensive resilience against 5A firepower

Junior linebacker Micah Newsome again led the Centurions with 11 total tackles, including one tackle for loss. Senior Stone Perkins followed with eight stops, while senior Lonnie Hardin added seven tackles and an intercep-

tion. Seniors Jackson Settle and Jason Hilliard, along with sophomore Gabriel Lumpkin, each tallied six tackles, with Lumpkin and Hilliard recording sacks. Senior Chapman Russell chipped in four tackles and a tackle for loss,

and senior Brody Cherry added a sack in the trenches.

Special teams steady

Freshman kicker Noah Gividen was perfect on the night, converting all three of his extra-point attempts, and CAL's coverage units contained Bowling Green's dangerous return game enough to preserve the lead.

Next step

The victory over Bowling Green adds another statement win to CAL's résumé as the Centurions pursue a fourth consecutive Class 3A championship. Now 6–0, they'll travel to face long-time rival DeSales next Friday at 7:00 p.m. in a pivotal midseason matchup.

HS boys golf takes 2nd, Judd wins region tournament

The high school boys golf team put together an outstanding showing at the highly-competitive Sixth Region tournament last Tuesday at Nevel Meade, earning one of the two bids to the KHSAA semi-state round.

CAL shot +1 as a team to finish one stroke ahead of Eastern for second place.

The Centurions were led by senior Will Judd, who won the tournament by shooting 5-under par. Judd, who also won the 2A state title, came through in the clutch for CAL

by outshooting Eastern's top golfer by a stroke on the 18th to break a tie between the two teams.

CAL advances to the State First Round this Wednesday at Pendleton Hills Country Club.



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Photos: Boys soccer senior night

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JV volleyball wins two of three

The JV volleyball team had a 2-1 week last week. After opening the week with a defeat against Bethlehem on Monday, the Centurions won in 2 sets against South Oldham (21-8, 21-14) at home on Tuesday. Mia Newman served 11 points consecutively in the first set of the victory.

CAL was back in action on Thursday, when they routed Portland Christian (21-7, 21-11).

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Photos: Varsity volleyball vs. Bethlehem







Freshman volleyball suffers first hiccups of 2025

The freshman volleyball team kicked off a three-game week with a 18-21, 21-19, 19-21 loss at home to the Bethlehem Banshees last Monday. The defeat marked the end of their impressive 8-game win streak to open the season.

After a second straight loss (23-21, 8-21, 24-26) on the road to the Martha

Layne Collins Titans the following night, the Centurions returned home and got back into the win column with a 21-14, 21-14 home victory over the South Oldham Dragons. CAL overcame a 7-0 deficit in the second game to secure the win.

CAL's record now sits at 9-2 on the season.



6th field hockey reaches tournament championship

The 6th grade field hockey team wrapped up an impressive season with a run all the way to the championship game of the middle school JV division. Facing an older and more experienced Highlands Latin squad in the final, CAL fought hard but ultimately fell 3–0.

In the quarterfinals, CAL blanked Highland Middle 2–0 behind goals from Alli Cherry and Chloe Ramey. They followed up that performance with another strong showing in the semifinals, defeating a tough North Oldham team 2–0 thanks to

goals from Alli Cherry and Sarah Dobson.

Goalkeeper Sadie Hernandez anchored the defense throughout the tournament, delivering clutch saves and giving CAL a chance to compete in every game.

Though the championship didn't end the way they hoped, the 6th grade Centurions showed resilience and growth all season long. Their deep playoff run, highlighted by two shutout victories, underscored their skill, teamwork, and competitive spirit. The foundation they built this year promises even greater success ahead.



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7th/8th field hockey finishes season with gritty effort

The 7th/8th grade field hockey team opened post-season play on Tuesday night at Ballard High School against a deep Anchorage squad.

With fresh legs and steady rotations, the Anchors carried an advantage that grew more important as the season wore on, but CAL wasn't afraid of the challenge. Having faced Anchorage just a few weeks earlier, CAL knew what to expect and came in ready to play with the season on the line.

CAL's defense showed up early, forcing the Anchors to play outside the circle through much of the first quarter. Aggressive play in the second quarter created a handful of corner opportunities for the Centurions, but none of them connected.

CAL entered halftime trailing 2–0, a deficit well within reach at the break. With fresh legs and focus, the Centurion girls pushed the pace, earning more corners and keeping the ball on the Anchorage end of the field for long stretches.

However, the ever elusive goal never came on this cool, damp night, and Anchorage added a pair of late scores to secure the 4–0 win and close out CAL's season.

While the postseason run ended sooner than hoped, this year's squad—made up predominantly of younger players—showed resilience, growth, and a willingness to battle every game. The lessons and experiences gained will undoubtably carry forward into next year as a more veteran team takes shape. Congratulations to all the girls and the coaching staff of Heather Taber, Jonathan Minucci, and Audrey Kuhn on a hard-fought and memorable season!





5th field hockey reaches 6th grade championship

CAL's 5th grade field hockey team capped an extraordinary season with an excruciating loss in the 6th grade division championship game. Playing up against older competition, CAL battled KCD's 6th grade squad and came up just short, falling in an overtime shootout.

The Centurions controlled play from the opening whistle, dominating possession and keeping the ball on KCD's side of the field for nearly 90% of the game. Despite creating chance after chance, CAL couldn't find the back of the cage and was forced into the tense, sudden-death shootout, where KCD narrowly prevailed.

CAL advanced to the championship after an impressive semifinal win over Holy Spirit 6th, earn-



ing a 2–0 victory behind goals from Grace Hirby and Rylee Blasi. Sarah Mills was strong in goal throughout the playoff run, anchoring the defense in both the semifinal and championship games.

Although the finale ended in heartbreak, the season as a whole was nothing short of outstanding. CAL finished first overall during the regular season and their impressive run showcased not only talent and teamwork but also resilience and sportsmanship against older and more experienced competition.

The entire CAL community is proud of this young

group's accomplishment and the exciting future that lies ahead for these players. Their season may have ended one goal short, but their grit and dominance on the field spoke volumes and set a high bar for the years to come.

5th/6th football sends Fairdale back to the doghouse

On Saturday, September 27th, the 5th/6th grade football team took the field against the Fairdale Bulldogs. With gorgeous football weather and a sky full of puffy clouds, it was the perfect setting for another gridiron masterpiece by our undefeated squad.

The action started immediately. Fairdale took the opening possession... and then kindly handed it back when DeLessio pounced on a fumble like it was the last donut in the locker room.

CAL took over, and with only one offensive play and six minutes left in the first quarter, Owen Smith decided it was touchdown time. Jake Blandford zipped a pass over to Collin Hammer, who snagged the extra point like it was a fly ball at a baseball game—CAL up 7-0.

Then came a tackling tornado. Digby, Jackson, and Lowe swarmed the Bulldogs like they owed them money. After forcing a turnover on downs, CAL got the ball back, and the trio of Blandford, DeLessio, and Lowe turned up the heat. Another touchdown. Another extra point by DeLessio. Score? 14-0. Time left in the 1st quarter? Just 3:24.

And the CAL defense? Absolutely savage. The group tackles came so fast and furious that figuring out who got the tackle felt like solving a Rubik's Cube.

Back on offense, Jack Lowe took matters into his own hands (literally) and bulldozed through the defense for another touchdown. It was 20-0 before Fairdale could even figure out which way was up. Hunter Warrell booted the ball, and the defensive wrecking crew of Burge, Digby, and Manley made sure the Bulldogs stayed on a tight leash. As the 2nd quarter started, Blandford connected with Lowe for another touchdown. You could practically hear the air leave the Bulldogs' lungs. DeLessio calmly added the extra point like it was just another day at the office. Score: 28-0.

Next defensive series? A total team takeover. Walker, White, Inhen, and Bock were everywhere at once. At one point, it looked like 27 Centurions tackled the same guy (we checked, still only 11 on the field—but it didn't feel like it).

Halftime score: 28-0.

Second half? Same story. First play? CAL returns the kick 55 yards for a touchdown. The Bulldogs didn't even get a chance to unpack their halftime orange slices. Score: 34-0.

Hamilton, Burge, Brakmeier, Goodman, and Bock sealed the deal with more textbook tackling that left Fairdale dreaming of the final whistle.

Final score: CAL 34, Fairdale 0.

That's another shutout, folks. Your Centurions are now rocking a perfect undefeated season with style, swagger, and a whole lot of bruised egos left in their wake.

Next weekend is a wellearned BYE (let those bruises heal and cleats dry), and then the final regular season showdown happens Saturday, October 11th vs. Hikes Point at Centurion Field. Let's pack the stands and send our boys into the postseason with the loudest cheers this side of the Mississippi! #GoCAL













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3rd/4th football wins big over Fairdale

The 3rd/4th grade football team delivered a complete team performance Saturday, blanking the Fairdale Bulldogs 28-0 behind explosive plays on offense, relentless defense, and timely turnovers.

First Half: Early Strike and Defensive Wall

The Centurions opened with crisp execution. After Leyton Howard cleanly fielded the kickoff, quarterback Beckham Albright kept a drive alive on fourth down before connecting with Christian Sheehan on a bubble screen that went 30 yards to the house. Albright added the PAT on a keeper, putting CAL up 7-0.

On defense, the Centurions swarmed. Avery Denton flushed the Bulldog quarterback into the arms of Albright, while Mac Manley, Turner Hernandez, and Matthew McKinney piled on with tackles to force a turnover on downs.

Fairdale threatened late in the half, driving inside the 5-yard line, but the Centurions' defense bent without breaking. Josh Robinson and Ryan Clark stuffed a snap gone wrong, Sheehan came up big from the linebacker position, and Leo "Bronco" Balsley sprinted down the sideline to force a turnover on downs as the half closed with CAL ahead 7-0.

Second Half: Centurions Pull Away

The defense set the tone right away. A thunderous hit by Albright jarred the ball loose, recovered by Ryder Green. On the next series, Albright dashed 28 yards

around the right side for his second touchdown, extending the lead to 13-0.

Momentum kept swinging CAL's way. Sheehan's dazzling 45-yard catch-andrun set up another Albright score, capped by a bruising PAT run that pushed the lead to 20-0.

The Centurions weren't done. After a Ryan Clark interception, Albright faked a sweep to Manley and handed inside to Sheehan, setting up a short keeper into the end zone. Albright then rolled out and found Chapman Amlung on the conversion, stretching the margin to 28-0.

Defense Slams the Door

The Bulldogs never found daylight thanks to a relentless Centurion defense. Denton and Green applied

constant pressure up the middle, McKinney was a menace in the Bulldog backfield, and open-field stops from Clark, Manley, Balsley, and Robinson smothered Fairdale drives. Collins Gibson and William Ritchie hustled to chip in tackles, and McKinney punctuated his monster day by recovering a late fumble to seal the shutout.

Takeaway

It was a statement win for the Centurions: explosive offense fueled by Albright and Sheehan, complemented by a defense that refused to yield. With contributions across the roster, CAL secured a convincing 28-0 victory and momentum heading deeper into the season.

1st/2nd football battles through injury vs. Fairdale

The 2025 season has been full of injuries that have occurred both on and off the field for the 1st/2nd grade football team. Mack Blandford's season came to an end this week due to an off-field injury. Easton Hilpp was injured earlier this year during practice and has not been able to return, while Weston Woodall made his season debut last week.

Despite all the adversity that the team has faced, with these key players being unavailable, the Mighty Mites have shown tremendous resilience and determination.

The Centurions were back in action on 9/27, spearheaded by captains Mack Blandford, Finn Denton, McClain Hill, and Charles Richtarsic, From

the opening whistle, CAL showed grit-Weston Woodall pounced on a loose ball to give the Centurions an early spark.

On offense, Charles Richtarsic picked up tough yards on the ground, while Easton Evanoff stepped in at quarterback to steady the attack. A 15-yard burst from Marcus Haston was opened by the powerful offensive line of Grayson Alvey, Holden Jackson, Cooper Hull, and Ansel Cook. However, turnovers proved costly in the first half against a stout Fairdale defense.

Defensively, the Centurions were relentless. Charles Richtarsic, Easton Evanoff, Weston Woodall, and Finn Denton each delivered key tackles, with

Finn and Weston notching tackles for loss that fired up the sidelines. Cooper Hull also came through with a forced fumble, and Kieran O'Reilly recovered another fumble to keep CAL in the fight. Woodall and Cameron Hallberg added stops in the second half, showing the team's depth and determina-

Despite the Bulldogs pulling away for a 24-0 final,



last whistle, flashing hustle and toughness that will serve them well as the season





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Weekly Schedule - Sept. 29-Oct. 4

HOME

| Date | Start Time | Sport | Place | Opponent | Facility |
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| 09/29/2025 Monday | 5:30 PM | Girls Freshman Volleyball | Home | Louisville Home School Athletics | Blue Gym |
| | 6:30 PM | Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball | Home | Louisville Home School Athletics | Blue Gym |
| | 7:30 PM | Girls Varsity Volleyball | Home | Louisville Home School Athletics | Blue Gym |
| | 5:30 PM | Girls 6th Volleyball | Home | Christian Academy of Indiana | Red Gym |
| | 6:30 PM | Girls 7th Volleyball | Home | Christian Academy of Indiana | Red Gym |
| | 7:30 PM | Girls 8th Volleyball | Home | Christian Academy of Indiana | Red Gym |
| | 6:30 PM | Boys Junior Varsity Football | Home | DeSales School | Centurion Field |
| 09/30/2025 Tuesday | 4:30 PM | Boys-Girls Middle School Tennis | Home | Oldham County Middle School | Tennis Courts |
| | 5:30 PM | Girls Freshman Volleyball | Home | Holy Cross High School - Louisville | Blue Gym |
| | 6:30 PM | Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball | Home | Holy Cross High School - Louisville | Blue Gym |
| | 7:30 PM | Girls Varsity Volleyball | Home | Holy Cross High School - Louisville | Blue Gym |
| 10/2/2025 | 4:30 PM | Boys-Girls Middle School Tennis | Home | North Oldham Middle | Tennis Courts |
| Thursday | 7:30 PM | Girls Varsity Soccer | Home | North Oldham High School | North Field |

AWAY

| Date | Start Time | Sport | Place | Opponent | Facility |
|------------------------|------------|--|-------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 09/29/2025 Monday | TBA | Girls Varsity Golf | Away | State First Round | Pendleton hills Country Club |
| | 7:30 PM | Girls Varsity Soccer | Away | Lexington Christian Academy | Lexington Christian Academy |
| | 7:30 PM | Girls Junior Varsity Field Hockey | Away | Sacred Heart Academy-Froshmore League | Sacred Heart Academy |
| 09/30/2025 Tuesday | 6:00 PM | Boys Junior Varsity Soccer | Away | Shelby County High School | Shelby County High School |
| | 7:30 PM | Boys Varsity Soccer | Away | Shelby County High School | Shelby County High School |
| 10/02/2025 Thursday | 6:00 PM | Boys Junior Varsity Soccer | Away | Elizabethtown High School | Elizabethtown High School |
| | 7:30 PM | Boys Varsity Soccer | Away | Elizabethtown High School | Elizabethtown High School |
| | 6:00 PM | Girls Junior Varsity Field Hockey | Away | South Oldham High School | South Oldham High School |
| | 7:30 PM | Girls Varsity Field Hockey | Away | South Oldham High School | South Oldham High School |
| 10/03/2025 Friday | 7:00 PM | Boys Varsity Football | Away | DeSales School | DeSales School |
| | TBA | Girls Varsity Volleyball | Away | JCIVT Tournament | KIVA |
| 10/04/2025 Saturday | TBA | Girls Varsity Volleyball | Away | JCIVT Tournament | KIVA |
| | 9:00 AM | Boys-Girls Middle School Cross Country | Away | Run Wild Fall Classic | Georgetown KY |
| | 10:00 AM | Boys Junior Varsity Soccer | Away | John Hardin High School | John Hardin High School |
| | 11:30 AM | Boys Varsity Soccer | Away | John Hardin High School | John Hardin High School |
| | 11:00 AM | Boys Middle School Football - JV | Away | Daviess County | Daviess County |
| | 12:30 PM | Boys Middle School Football - V | Away | Daviess County | Daviess County |

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| Freshman Field Hockey | |
| 7th/8th Field Hockey | |
| 5th/6th Field Hockey | |
| HS Football | Hunter Cantwell |
| 7th/8th Football | |
| 5th/6th Football | |
| 3rd/4th Football | |
| 1st/2nd Football | |
| HS Boys Golf | |
| HS Girls Golf | |
| HS Boys Soccer | |
| HS Girls Soccer | |
| MS Tennis | |
| HS Volleyball | |
| 8th Volleyball | |
| 7th Volleyball | Lauren Fields |
| 6th Volleyball | Brooke Weber |