

PROGRAM INFO

Nickname: Zephyrs Conference: Classic Suburban

Section: 4A Record: 23-5-0

State trips: 1992, 94, 97, 98,

2001, 09, 10 Coach: Jeff Poeschl

STAT LEADERS

Scorers	G	Α	Pts
Brandon Zurn	33	39	72
Charlie Adams	33	33	66
Ben Marshall	19	34	53
Mike Rose	16	17	33
Tanner Jordan	14	13	27

Goalies W-L-T GA SV Brad Wohlers 14-4-0 2.61 .908

FULL ROSTER

# Name	Pos	Gr
2 Ryan Brown	D	10
3 Charlie Adams	F	12
4 Nick Nelson	F	10
5 Pat Kegley	F	10
6 Jordan Dittberner	D	12
7 Mike Narrow	D	11
8 Grant Holker	D	10
9 Josh Erickson	F	12
10 Ryan Gregory	F	12
11 Conner Mars	F	11
12 Johno May	F	10
14 Ben Marshall	D	11
15 Matt Moberg	D	11
16 Andrew Blegen	F	11
17 Tanner Jordan	F	10
18 Nick Boreen	D	11
19 John Koenig	F	11
20 Peter Gorman	D	12
21 Mike Rose	F	11
22 Brandon Zurn	F	12
30 Brad Wohlers	G	12
32 Sawyer Marshall	G	10
33 Tanner Marcotte	G	12

ROAD TO THE X

Section 4A Quarters, 2/25 Mahtomedi 9, Chisago Lks 2

Zurn 3 goals, 3 assists Adams 4 goals

Section 4A Semis, 3/2 Mahtomedi 5, Totino-Grace 2

Rose 2 goals Marshall 1 goal, 2 assists

Section 4A Finals, 3/5 Mahtomedi 2, STA 1

Wohlers 44 saves

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MAHTOMEDI



By Loren Nelson

or two straight years now, Breck coach Les Larson and his assistant coach, son Peter, have gone to scout Mahtomedi and St. Thomas Academy in the Section 4A championship.

For two straight years, the ritual has been the same.

"My son takes notes on Mahtomedi and I take notes on St. Thomas Academy," Larson said. "And, again, at the end of the game I roll up my notes and throw them away."

Any doubts about the Zephyrs' ability to contend for a state title should be fully laid to rest. Counting last year's sectional final, Mahtomedi has defeated St. Thomas

Academy, ranked No. 1 in Class A for most of the season, in three of their last four meetings.

How do they keep doing it? Well, it starts with Brad Wohlers. The epitome of a biggame goaltender, Wohlers made 44 saves against a Cadets team loaded with future Division I forwards. Wohlers' statistics are good (2.61 goals-against average, .908 save percentage) not great, but it would be hard to find a goaltender who plays better in high-pressure situations.

Wohlers

Beyond Wohlers, Mahtomedi merely has elite defenseman Ben Marshall. A junior who committed to play at Minnesota as a sophomore, Marshall has 19 goals, 34 assists and a burst that makes him a threat to go end-to-end at any moment.

Up front, few one-two offensive punches are more effective than

the Zephyrs' Brandon Zurn (33 goals, 39 assists) and Charlie Adams (33 goals, 33 assists).

Add all that up and Mahtomedi has as good a stable of high-end talent as any Class A team in the tournament. The No. 2-seeded Zephyrs (23-5-0) will, however, have to find a way to combat No. 1 seed Breck's depth should the teams meet. The Mustangs beat the Zephyrs twice during the

regular season.





Mahtomedi's other losses came against state Class AA entrant Hill-Murray (twice) and St. Thomas Academy.

The Zephyrs reached the state tournament last season but lost their opening game to St. Cloud Cathedral when Marshall, skating at top speed, took a hard spill into the end boards. He was taken to the hospital and did not return.



Sawyer Marshall



THE ZEPHYRS WILL WIN THE STATE TITLE IF...

Loren Nelson: They stay healthy. Mahtomedi can't afford an injury to any of its star players if it has any chance to overcome the depth of the tournament's top teams, most notably Breck.