

Grandview High School Hall of Fame

CLASS OF 2023



PATTY CHILDRESS

Volleyball Coach

1998 – 2016

Patty Childress is the most successful prep girls' volleyball coach in the history of the Aurora area with a career at Grandview that included 10 trips to the Class 5A state championship match and five victories. She came to Grandview in 1998 and joined the school's original coaching staff where she coached until 2015 and amassed a career record of 493-169 with Class 5A state championship victories in 2004, 2005, 2007, 2013 and 2014. Childress was selected as Colorado Coach of the Year eight times and was the Dave Sanders Award recipient in 2013. She was inducted into the Colorado High School Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 2015, the National High School Athletic Coaches Association National Hall of Fame in 2017 and the Colorado High School Activities Association Hall of Fame in 2018.

Kevin Gausman

Baseball, Basketball

Class of 2011

Grandview has great tradition on the baseball diamond and part of the fabric of that past success was Kevin Gausman. Gausman was the ace of the pitching staff and a hard-throwing right-hander who finished his career as the program's leader in career wins (17) and strikeouts (174), owning the single season strikeout record of 76 (set in 2010) and shares the single season high of seven wins with three other players. Gausman pitched five complete games in both his junior and senior seasons and when he wasn't pitching, he played in the field and was a talented hitter with a .322 batting average with seven home runs and 40 RBI combined in his final two prep seasons. He also played on Grandview's varsity boys' basketball for two seasons and averaged 11.9 points and 4.7 rebounds per game for a team that won 16 games and made it to the Class 5A quarterfinals in his senior season. After he graduated from Grandview, Gausman was taken in the sixth round of the MLB Draft by the Los Angeles Dodgers, but went to Louisiana State instead and finished 12-2 with a 2.77 ERA and was a first-team All-American with the Tigers. The Baltimore Orioles picked him with the No. 4 selection in the 2012 draft and he went on to pitch in MLB with the Orioles, Cincinnati Reds, San Francisco Giants and Toronto Blue Jays and has twice been selected to the MLB All-Star Game.



Michaela Onyenwere

Basketball, Track & Field

Class of 2017

Arguably the most accomplished multi-sport athlete in Grandview history thus far, Michaela Onyenwere made a huge impact on the basketball floor and the track and played a big role on teams in both sports that captured Class 5A state championships. She averaged a double-double for her career with 21.8 points and 10.1 rebounds per game in 105 games played and led Grandview in scoring and rebounding in every one of her seasons. In four seasons, she helped the Wolves to a staggering 97-10 record and berths in at least the 5A semifinals three times, culminated by a state championship 2016-17. On the track, she finished as the 5A runner-up in the 100 meters in 2015 and 2016 and was

part of a star-studded Grandview team that won the 2017 5A girls state championship by a whopping 37 points and was part of the teams that won state titles in the 4x200 and 4x400 meter relays. She went on to a standout college career at UCLA, played abroad representing USA Basketball and was drafted by the New York Liberty with the sixth pick in the 2021 WNBA Draft.

Erik C. Peterson

Performing Arts

Class of 2018

Erik Peterson is a 2018 graduate who excelled in the performing arts program at Grandview High School. His acting career at Grandview began with the role of The Little Boy in Ragtime when he was in seventh grade followed by numerous supporting and leading roles in his high school tenure. Peterson was a gold medalist at the International Thespian Competition in 2016, earned numerous superior ratings at the Colorado State Thespian Competition and was a part of the GHS award-winning improv team. After Grandview, he went on to study at The Sargent Conservatory of Theatre Arts at Webster University where he graduated with a BFA in Acting in 2022. Six months later, Peterson landed one of the leading roles, Scorpius Malfoy in the Tony Award-winning *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child* on Broadway. Other professional credits include: *Romeo & Juliet* at Saint Louis Shakespeare, *Othello* and *The Importance of Being Earnest* at Flagstaff Shakespeare Festival, *Romeo & Juliet* at Great River Shakespeare Festival, and *Spamalot* at Breckenridge Backstage Theatre.



Eddie Yarbrough

Football, Track & Field, Unified Sports

Class of 2011

Eddie Yarbrough is one of the most impactful football players, athletes and personalities that have passed through the halls of Grandview. On the football field, he was a game-changing linebacker who played on the varsity team for four years and had his best season as a senior in 2010, when he made the All-State first team and was rated as the No. 2 linebacker in Colorado. As a senior, Yarbrough helped the Wolves to a spot in the Class 5A semifinals and then chose Wyoming from a long list of Division I programs. He was signed by the Buffalo Bills and played in 31 games with the franchise from 2017-19. More important even than his playing in his high school days, however, Yarbrough was a linchpin of the rapid growth of the Unified sports program at the school. He was a helper with Grandview's Unified basketball team and continued his dedication to Special Olympics once he reached the NFL with the My Cause, My Cleats campaign.