

Haley Solnitzky

Stillwater Hockey

Haley Solnitzky, Stillwater hockey goalie, posted a strong 9.44 save percentage and 1.25 goals-against-average, with a 17-7-1. A junior, she has already committed to Wisconsin-River Falls. Last season, on a struggling (6-14-2) team, she had a .921 save percentage and 2.48 goals-against. JV coach Courtney Stevens praised Solnitzky for her diligent practice habits, attention to detail and mental preparation for games.



Noah Nicholson

Stillwater Wrestling

Noah Nicholson, Stillwater junior wrestler, cruised to the 127-pound state championship in Class 3A, capped by a 24-second pin in the finals over a Buffalo opponent. Nicholson, who finished 35-3, had three pins and a 13-3 decision at state. Last year, Nicholson was third at 121 pounds with a 30-3 record. He was fourth at 114 pounds as a freshman, and fifth at 106 pounds in eighth grade.



Alaina Bergeson

Forest Lake Gymnastics

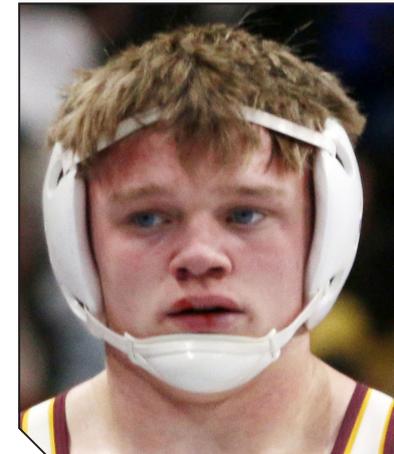
Alaina Bergeson, Forest Lake junior gymnast, had a strong season capped by solid performances at the state meet. Bergeson was eighth on balance beam with a 9.4525 score, 20th on bars with 8.8125, 27th on floor with 9.325 and 33rd on vault with 9.25. There were 45 to 47 state entrants in each. She was also 14th all-around with 36.80. At the section meet, Bergeson was third all-around (36.175), first on bars, and third on vault.



Cullen Christenson

Forest Lake Wrestling

Cullen Christenson, Forest Lake senior wrestler, earned third place at 215 pounds in Class 3A at the state tournament. Christenson finished 45-5. He won two matches by technical fall, got pinned by the eventual champion, and came back with another tech fall to reach the third-place match, which he won 12-2 over a Stillwater opponent. He made a big jump from last year when he qualified for state at 172 pounds and didn't win a match.



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