

Football players earn C1-9 district honors

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Nine Gothenburg football players were recognized among the best in the C1-9 district by coaches during the annual fall meeting last week.

Six Swedes earned all-district recognition. The teams were not divided between offense and defense this season as so many players were effective on both sides of the ball.

Three Gothenburg players were named honorable mention.

Junior quarterback Blake Ristine and senior running backs/linebackers Preston Franzen and Logan Sheets received all-district recognition along with offensive/defensive linemen Tanner Borchardt, a sophomore, and Adam Speck, a junior, as well as junior kicker Trenton Long.

Seniors Garrett James and Logan Koehler and junior Skyler Kottwitz each earned all-district honorable mention.

The Swedes, who finished 6-5 on the season, had the third most players receiving votes for the all-district honors.

Kearney Catholic, the winner of the C1-9 with a 4-0 district record and a 10-1 finish overall, had 12 players receive recognition. The Stars were defeated in the state quarter-finals by Adams Central.

Cozad had 10 players earn honors while Gothenburg and Chase County received nine each and Minden had eight.

Gothenburg finished 1-3 in the district this season, defeating Minden, and made it to the Class C-1 quarterfinals with victories over Cozad and Chadron before falling to Boone Central/Newman Grove.

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C1-9 ALL-DISTRICT FOOTBALL				
	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
Abe Clinch, Kearney Catholic	DB	6'2"	220	12
Nate Babak, Cozad	QB/DB	6'0"	183	11
Blake Ristline, Gothenburg	QB/DB	6'1"	175	11
Kyle Gockley, Chase County	QB/DB	5'10"	170	12
Jake Paulsen, Cozad	RB/DB	5'11"	160	11
Alex Lowe, Kearney Catholic	RB/LB	6'0"	200	12
Thomas Connelly, Kearney Catholic	RB/LB	5'11"	180	11
Preston Frazer, Gothenburg	RB/LB	5'10"	170	12
Ryan Chromota, Minden	RB/LB	5'9"	165	12
Logan Sheets, Gothenburg	RB/LB	5'10"	190	12
Dain Rutt, Minden	RB/LB	5'9"	185	11
David Spicers, Kearney Catholic	OL/DL	6'3"	265	12
Tanner Berchard, Gothenburg	OL/DL	6'8"	245	10
Brian Sell, Chase County	OL/DL	6'4"	245	12
Mitch Muller, Minden	OL/DL	6'4"	270	11
Austin Lowery, Kearney Catholic	OL/DL	5'11"	250	12
Adam Speck, Gothenburg	OL/DL	6'0"	240	11
John Blake, Kearney Catholic	OL/DE	5'10"	220	12
Jimmy Brown, Cozad	OL/DL	6'1"	240	12
Justin Wallin, Chase County	OL/LB	6'1"	215	11
Collin Ledall, Chase County	OL/DL	6'3"	220	10
Jacob Stralbauer, Cozad	OL/DL	6'5"	245	11
Tanner Evertson, Cozad	OL/LB	5'9"	170	11
Kelton Fisher, Chase County	TE/DB	6'3"	180	10
Blake Holtmeier, Kearney Catholic	WR/DB	6'1"	190	11
Jacob Rush, Cozad	WR/LB	6'0"	170	11
Isaac Carlson, Minden	WR/DB	6'0"	140	12
Michael May, Chase County	WR/DB	5'9"	155	12
Alex Boryca, Cozad	FB/LB	6'1"	200	11
Trenton Long, Gothenburg	K	5'11"	160	11
Landon Lempla, Minden	P	6'1"	175	12
Brett James, Kearney Catholic	PR/KR	5'8"	165	12
HONORABLE MENTION				
	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
Garratt James, Gothenburg	OL/DL	6'2"	180	12
Logan Koshlar, Gothenburg	TE/DE	6'6"	190	12
Skyler Kothwitz, Gothenburg	RB/LB	5'10"	170	11