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Brady senior Courtney Widick has excelled at every sport throughout her high school career.

She was a varsity starter for four years in volleyball and played at state as a senior.

Widick is also a four-year starter in basketball with two trips to state and she was the leading scorer for the past two years.

She has run at the state track meet twice already and hopes to get back there again next month.

While she likely could have chosen to compete in college in any of the three sports, Widick chose basketball for the next chapter of life.

Widick signed her letter of intent on Thursday, making official her commitment to play basketball for coach Dick Thurin at North Platte Community College.

With a full scholarship, playing basketball for the Knights might seem like a no-brainer but it wasn't an easy decision for Widick.

"There's just so many things to think about," she said. "It's a big commitment."

But Thurin was persistent and Widick knew playing for North Platte meant she would be able to stay close to home.

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“I’ve been playing basketball since I was in the third grade,” she said. “That’s like forever.”

Thurin said he recruited Widick as a guard and he’s looking forward to the depth she will add to the team from the outside.

Widick said basketball has always been fun for her and now it will be a job too.

“My dad said I could get a job to pay for college or I could play basketball and that would be my job,” Widick said. “I might as well have fun while I’m working, right?”

Widick is the daughter of Ross and Terri Widick of Brady. She is undecided on a college major.