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Altoona Railroaders Join the Middle Border Conference

With many moving pieces, a change in athletic conferences has been in the works for some time. And now, with the approval process finalized, the Altoona Railroaders are excited to announce that high school level athletics, with the exception of football, girls' golf, wrestling and girls' hockey, will compete in the Middle Border Conference starting in the 2021/22 season.



Elissa Upward, Athletic Director

Altoona High School joins the Middle Border Conference Schools which include Amery, Baldwin-Woodville, Ellsworth, New Richmond, Osceola, Prescott, Sain Croix Central, and Somerset. The Railroaders are already part of the MBC in boys' hockey and boys' tennis.

"Being comparable in size with schools of the Middle Border, we would be provided scheduling relief. The MBC will provide the offerings that are in line with our own, creating more opportunities for our students. Having the majority of our sports in one conference will also help create cohesiveness for our school and community. Because of our size, the conference schools we've competed with during the regular season are oftentimes not who we match up with during the tournament series. The success in Altoona Athletics can be accomplished through the cooperative effort of its' student athletes, school and community. We look forward to creating more opportunities for our students and making further progress in all of our programs." Elissa Upward

The Railroaders make this move with the blessing of the Cloverbelt member schools. "The relationship will remain stable, and we expect to continue contests with Cloverbelt members."

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