

MATT ICKES – ORCHARD HIGH SCHOOL

Matt was a standout football player for the powerful Orchard teams of the mid 1990's. From 1993 to 1996, he became one of the all-time great players in school history while also taking the Orioles to a Class D-1 State Runner-Up finish in 1995. After leading his team in rushing during his junior and senior seasons, Matt was honored as the Class D-1 Offensive Player of the Year and was also named 1st Team All Conference and 1st Team All-State on 2 occasions. He set school rushing records along the way, including career yards (4,500) and touchdowns (90). He was selected to the 1997 Eight-Man All Star Game and was also chosen to play in the Nebraska Shrine Bowl that same year. After High School, Matt walked-on the University of Nebraska at Lincoln where he played for five years and was a part of the dominant 1997 National Championship Cornhusker team. The NEMFCA is honored to welcome him into the Eight Man Football Hall of Fame Class of 2019.