



ORION MATTHIES- OVERTON HIGH SCHOOL

From 2001 to 2004, Orion was a force at the line of scrimmage while playing for Hall of Famer Glen Snodgrass and the powerful Eagles teams of the early 2000's. As one of the best interior linemen in eight-man history, he helped lead Overton to the playoff quarter-finals as a sophomore- and then on to State Runner-Up finishes in both his junior and senior campaigns. During his prep career, Orion was chosen 1st Team All-District and 1st Team All-State on 3 separate occasions. In the summer of 2005, he was also selected to play in the Eight-Man All-Star Game, the Nebraska vs. Oklahoma All-Star Game, and the Nebraska Shrine Bowl Game. After high school, Orion went on to a highly successful playing career at the University of Nebraska at Kearney, where he was named a team captain 3 times, was also an All-Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference selection on 4 occasions, and at the conclusion of the Lopers' 2010 season, he was named to the Division II All-American Football Team. After college, Orion returned to Overton to coach at his alma mater. In the decade (plus) since returning home, he continues to be a mentor for current and future Eagle players and give back to his community. The NEMFCA is honored to now welcome him into the Eight Man Hall of Fame Class of 2022.