

1997 Class D-1 (Eight-Man 1)

DENOTES: 8-Man Hall of Fame Inductee

116 Teams played 8-Man football in 1997

1997 Final Class D-1 Top 10 (Stu Pospisil- Omaha World Herald)

- 1. Coleridge - 11-2, (39 ppg/19 opp. ppg)**
- 2. Callaway - 11-0, (44/17)**
- 3. Ansley - 9-4, (36/21)**
- 4. St. Edward - 10-1, (4610)**
- 5. Mullen - 10-1, (41/16)**
- 6. Bancroft-Rosalie - 9-1, (49/15)**
- 7. Elwood - 8-2, (52/25)**
- 8. Crawford - 9-1, (43/13)**
- 9. Eustis-Farnam - 8-2..(39/22)**
- 10 Ewing - 9-2, (46/23)**

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1st Round:

- (7-0) Crawford 42-0 Culbertson (5-3)
- (7-1) Eustis-Farnam 27-20 Paxton (6-2)
- (7-0) Mullen 42-14 South Platte (6-2)
- (7-1) Elwood 56-20 Leyton (4-3)
- (7-1) Ewing 48-22 Silver Lake (3-5)
- (5-3) Pleasanton 57-12 Stuart (6-1)
- (5-3) Ansley 21-20 Kenesaw (6-2)
- (7-1) Amherst 36-34 Anselmo-Merna (3-4)
- (8-0) Bancroft-Rosalie 46-0 Orchard (4-4)
- (6-2) Coleridge 57-28 Cedar Rapids (5-3)
- (6-2) Humphrey St. Francis 32-26 Verdigre (4-4)
- (8-0) St. Edward 46-0 Clarkson (4-4)
- (3-5) Cedar Bluffs 16-14 Lincoln Lutheran (7-0)
- (4-4) Pawnee City 47-20 Palmer (5-3)
- (5-3) SE Consolidated 16-12 Polk-Hordville (4-4)
- (3-5) Omaha Brownell-Talbot 40-32 Nelson (6-2)

2nd Round:

- (8-0) Crawford 23-20 Eustis-Farnam (8-1)
- (8-0) Mullen 44-38, Elwood 22 (8-1)
- (8-1) Ewing 42-28 Pleasanton (5-3)
- (6-3) Ansley 36-6, Amherst (8-1)
- (7-2) Coleridge 57-32 Bancroft-Rosalie (9-0)
- (9-0) St. Edward 46-0 Humphrey St. Francis (7-2)
- (4-5) Cedar Bluffs 50-6 Pawnee City (5-4)
- (4-5) Omaha Brownell-Talbot 33-16 SE Consolidated 28 (5-4)

Quarterfinals:

- (9-0) Mullen 28-21 Crawford (9-0)
- (7-3) Ansley 48-26 Ewing (9-1)
- (8-2) Coleridge 19-12 St. Edward (10-0)
- (5-5) Cedar Bluffs 76-40 Omaha Brownell-Talbot (5-5)

Semifinals:

- (8-3) Ansley 24-22 Mullen (10-0)
- (9-2) Coleridge 50-0 Cedar Bluffs (6-5)

Final: (10-2) Coleridge 42-34 Ansley (9-3)

Champion: Coleridge 11-2 - Head Coach – Andy White

1997 Class D-1 All-State Offense

- End--Derek Bailey-Ansley, 6-4, 165, Junior
- End--Anthony Harms-Adams/Filley, 5-10, 155, Senior
- OL----Matt Behrends-Chappell, 6-2, 200, Senior
- OL----Ryan Eickman-Nelson, 5-7, 190, Senior
- OL----Blake Longacre-Callaway, 5-11, 169, Senior
- QB---Paul Kosch-Humphrey St. Francis, 5-11, 190, Senior
- RB---Scott Shanle-St. Edward, 6-3, 225, Senior
- RB---Greg Jorgensen-Ewing, 6-0, 180, Senior
- PK----Troy White-Crawford, 6-1, 180, Junior

1997 Class D-1 All-State Defense

DL---Scott Norby-Coleridge, 6-5, 195, Senior
DL—Chad Duryea-Anselmo-Merna, 6-5, 200, Senior
LB—Brandon Wilke-Paxton, 5-10, 190, Junior
LB---Dave Naslund-Coleridge, 6-0, 185, Senior
LB---Nels Nelson-Bancroft-Rosalie, 6-2, 180, Senior
LB—Andy Welstead-Waterloo, 5-11, 190, Senior
DB—Wade Marsh-Mullen, 6-1, 170, Senior
DB—Joe DeMitt-Eustis-Farnam, 6-0, 185, Senior
P-----Mark Van Skiver-Nelson, 6-1, 190, Senior

1997 Final Class D-2 Top 10 (Stu Pospisil- Omaha World Herald)

- 1. Dodge - 13-0, (42 ppg/12 opp. ppg)**
 - 2. North Loup/Scotia - 11-2 (45/9)**
 - 3. Butte - 11-1, (48/9)**
 - 4. Falls City Sacred Heart - 10-1, (49/11)**
 - 5. Mead - 8-2, (43/15)**
 - 6. Hayes Center - 11-1, (46/9)**
 - 7. Shickley - 10-1, (46/13)**
 - 8. Loomis - 10-1, (36/13)**
 - 9. Elgin Pope John - 9-2..(34/14)**
 - 10. Lodgepole - 8-1. (44/13)**
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1st Round:

(7-0) Lodgepole 58-8 Trenton (2-6)
(4-4) Brady 36-28 Wheatland (3-5)
(5-3) Maywood 58-8 Wallace (3-5)
(8-0) Hayes Center 46-0 Arnold (2-6)
(8-0) Shickley 53-14 Silver Creek (2-5)
(5-3) Lindsay Holy Family 49-12 Giltner (3-5)

(8-0) North Loup/Scotia 54-6 Sandhills (4-4)
(8-0) Loomis 45-0 Chester-Hubbell-Byron (2-6)
(8-0) Butte 47-0 Petersburg (4-4)
(5-3) Wynot-28-20 Newcastle (5-3)
(6-2) Clearwater 42-14 Niobrara/Santee (4-4)
(7-1) Elgin Pope John 29-8 Wausa (4-4)
(8-0) Dodge 46-0 Omaha Christian Academy (3-4)
(6-2) Nebraska City Lourdes 36-6 Beemer (7-1)
(7-1) Mead 52-16 Diller (6-2)
(8-0) Falls City Sacred Heart 52-6 Lewiston (4-4)

2nd Round:

(8-0) Lodgepole 46-0 Brady (4-4)
(9-0) Hayes Center 55-8, Maywood (6-3)
(9-0) Shickley 33-21 Lindsay Holy Family (6-3)
(9-0) North Loup/Scotia 52-6 Loomis (9-0)
(8-0) Butte 50-0 Wynot (6-3)
(8-1) Elgin Pope John 27-6 Clearwater (7-2)
(9-0) Falls City Sacred Heart 63-28 Mead (7-2)
(9-0) Dodge 52-6 Nebraska City Lourdes (7-2)

Quarterfinals:

(10-0) Hayes Center 42-8 Lodgepole (9-0)
(10-0) North Loup/Scotia 52-12 Shickley (10-0)
(9-0) Butte 34-14 Elgin Pope John (9-1)
(10-0) Dodge 28-8 Falls City Sacred Heart (10-0)

Semifinals:

(11-0) North Loup/Scotia 46-14 Hayes Center (11-0)
(11-0) Dodge 46-30 Butte (10-0)

Final: (12-0) Dodge 28-26 North Loup/Scotia (12-0)

Champion: Dodge (13-0), Head Coach: Gordon Pilmore

1997 Class D-2 All-State Offense

WR--Regan Else-Mead, 6-1, 195, Junior

WR--Brett Schnitzler-Nebraska City Lourdes, 5-10, 165, Junior

OL---Andy Zeisler-Butte, 6-2, 245, Senior

OL---Andrew Swartzendruber-Shickley, 6-3, 200, Senior

OL---Jess Kroenke-Dodge, 6-2, 203, Senior

QB---Adam Lechtenberg-Butte, 5-9, 170, Senior

RB---Brian Schukar-Loomis, 5-9, 170, Senior

RB---Casey Hughes-North Loup/Scotia, 6-1, 210, Senior

PK---Luke Taft-Falls City Sacred Heart,, 5-8, 140, Senior

1997 Class D-2 All-State Defense

DL-Nick Hunke-Dodge 6-3, 200, Senior

DL-Brian Pieper-Dodge, 6-1, 206, Senior

DL-Steve Kriewald-North Loup/Scotia, 6-0, 270, Sophomore

LB--John Bondegard-Lodgepole, 5-10, 195, Senior

LB--Kory Koch-Shickley, 6-1, 200, Senior

LB--Brandon Sells-Falls City Sacred Heart, 6-1, 208, Senior

DB--JJ Stecher-Dodge, 5-8, 170, Senior

DB--Cody Jeffers-Hayes Center, 6-1, 175, Senior

P--- J Templeman-Newcastle, 6-3, 175, Senior