

***107 schools played 8-man in 2016.** There were 53 schools playing football in D-1 and 54 competing in D2 for a total of 107 schools, one less that competed in 2015. 11 schools playing 8-man were above the playoff eligibility.

2016 Final Class D-1 Top 10

DENOTES: 8-Man Hall of Fame Inductee

1. Burwell - 11-2, (590-257) (Luke Gideon)
2. Palmer - 11-1, (580-268) (Nathan Glause)
3. Perkins County - 9-1, (547-193) (Carlie Wells)
4. Guardian Angels CC - 12-1, (625-305) (Dave Ridder)
5. Neligh-Oakdale - 8-0, (454-142) (Ron Beacom)
6. Creighton -10-2, (818-249) (Gene Suhr)
7. Elm Creek - 10-1, (504-218) (Jayce Dueland)
8. CWCE - 10-1, (547-227) (Tom Thramer)
9. Heartland (Henderson) - 9-2, (600-352) (Matt Maltsburger)
10. Nebraska City Lourdes - 8-3, (361-291) (Adam Vogt/Clay Carlton)

2016 Class D-1 PLAYOFFS

First Round:

- (8-0) Palmer 56, Amherst 15 (2-6)
(6-2) Alma 44, Hemingford 32 (6-2)
(5-3) Atkinson West Holt 32, Dundy County Stratton 30 (5-3)
(8-0) CWCE (Chambers/Wheeler Central/Ewing) 54, Sutherland 12 (3-5)
(8-0) Elm Creek 36, Cambridge 12 (4-4)
(7-1) Medicine Valley 29, Kenesaw 20 (5-3)
(6-2) Burwell 55, South Loup 7 (7-1)
(8-0) Perkins County 70, Bertrand 6 (2-6)
(8-0) West Point Guardian Angels CC 60, Clearwater/Orchard, 18 (2-6)
(4-4) Humphrey/Lindsay Holy Family 42, Pender 34 (4-4)
(4-4) East Butler 34, High Plains Community 0 (3-5)

(7-1) Heartland (Henderson) 44, Nebraska Lutheran 36 (3-5)
(6-2) Lourdes Central Catholic 52, Clarkson/Leigh 8 (3-5)
(6-2) Howells-Dodge 48, Johnson-Brock 24 (3-5)
(5-3) Tri County 66, Hartington-Newcastle 26 (6-2)
(7-1) Creighton 68, Diller-Odell 6 (3-5)

Second Round:

(9-0) Palmer 50, Alma 20 (7-2)
(9-0) CWCE (Chambers/Wheeler Central/Ewing) 36, West Holt 21 (6-3)
(9-0) Elm Creek 42, Medicine Valley 20 (8-1)
(7-2) Burwell 33, Perkins County 30 (9-0)
(9-0) West Point Guardian Angels CC 53, Humphrey/Lindsay Holy Family 18 (5-4)
(8-1) Heartland 70, East Butler 42 (5-4)
(7-2) Lourdes Central Catholic 42, Howells-Dodge 36 (7-2)
(8-1) Creighton 76, Tri County 13 (6-3)

Quarterfinals:

(10-0) Palmer 68, CWCE (Chambers/Wheeler Central/Ewing) 41 (10-0)
(8-2) Burwell 28, Elm Creek 0 (10-0)
(10-0) West Point Guardian Angels CC 56, Heartland 34 (9-1)
(9-1) Creighton 90, Lourdes Central Catholic 54 (8-2)

Semifinals:

(9-2) Burwell 26, Palmer 24 (11-0)
(11-0) Guardian Angels Central Catholic 48, Creighton 44 (10-1)

Championship

(10-2) Burwell 47, West Point Guardian Angels CC 18 (12-0)

Championship Team: Burwell (11-2), Coach: Luke Gideon

2016 Class D-1 (Eight Man 1) Offense

QB---Kaden Reimers-Palmer, 6-2, 180, Senior

RB---Tori Hoffman-Burwell, 6-0, 200, Senior

RB---Austin Stuhr-Heartland, 6-0, 180, Senior

WR--Chandler Donscheski, 5-10, 175, Senior

WR--Tyler Gideon-Burwell, 6-5, 225, Senior

OL--Sam Morrill Creighton, 5-11, 242, Senior**

OL--Chase Hoffschneider, 6-3, 205, Senior

OL--Nate Bartling Elm Creek, 6-3, 275, Senior

Kicker-Thomas Chardin-Burwell, 5-8, 154, Senior

2016 Class D-1 (Eight Man 1) Defense

DL--Lashaun Thornabar Elm Creek, 6-3, 210, Senior

DL--Chris Bentley-Neligh-Oakdale, 6-0, 220, Senior

DL--Derek Reardon Humphrey/Lindsay Holy Family, 6-1, 220, Senior

LB--Hunter Reimers-Palmer, 6-0, 180, Senior

LB--Trevor Havloic-East Butler, 6-2, 200, Junior

DB--Nolan Plagge-West Point Guardian Angels CC, 6-0, 170, Senior

DB--Charlie Johnson Perkins County, 6-2, 170, Junior

DB--Tyson Belitz-Neligh-Oakdale-, 6-1, 170, Junior

Punter-Grant White-Neligh-Oakdale, 5-9, 140, Senior

2016 Final Class D-2 Top 10

- 1. Falls City Sacred Heart - 12-1 (619-192) (Doug Goltz)**
 - 2. BDS - 11-1, (583-201) (Mark Rotter/Chris Ardissono)**
 - 3. Twin Loup - 12-1 (486-109) (Mike Kozeal)**
 - 4. Osceola - 8-2 (548-219) (TJ Nielsen)**
 - 5. Humphrey St. Francis - 9-2 (602-184) (Eric Kessler)**
 - 6. Blue Hill - 9-2 (433-173) (Jon Coffey)**
 - 7. Sandhills-Thedford - 9-3 (566-193) (Josh Deines)**
 - 8. Wynot - 8-2 (397-220) (Steve Heimes)**
 - 9. Bloomfield - 9-2 (588-283) (Matt Kuchar)**
 - 10 Mullen - 9-1 (585-136) (Mitch Pfeiffer)**
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2016 Class D-2 PLAYOFFS

First Round:

- (7-1) Osceola 67, Sterling 30 (2-6)
- (7-1) Falls City Sacred Heart 75, Friend 0 (7-1)
- (7-1) Bloomfield 62, Exeter-Milligan 8 (5-3)
- (7-1) Lawrence-Nelson 50, Mead 14 (4-4)
- (7-1) Humphrey St. Francis 56, Emerson-Hubbard 12 (4-4)
- (7-1) Wynot 44, Fullerton 16 (6-2)
- (5-3) Randolph 28, Osmond 14 (5-3)
- (8-0) BDS 54, Allen 13 (4-4)
- (8-0) Twin Loup 46, Wauneta-Palisade 14 (5-3)
- (7-1) Garden County 54, Sumner-Eddyville-Miller 35 (6-2)
- (7-1) O'Neill St. Mary's 54, Eustis-Farnam 6 (5-3)
- (7-1) Blue Hill 43, Paxton 14 (5-3)
- (8-0) Loomis 42, North Central (Rock County/Keya Paha County) 34 (3-5)
- (4-4) Ansley/Litchfield 58, Arapahoe 26 (6-2)

(6-2) Sandhills/Thedford 49, Giltner 14 (4-4)
(8-0) Mullen 70, Crawford 6 (4-4)

Second Round:

(8-1) Falls City Sacred Heart 34, Osceola 28 (8-1)
(8-1) Bloomfield 50, Lawrence-Nelson 20 (8-1)
(8-1) Humphrey St. Francis 48, Wynot 36 ()
(9-0) BDS 70, Randolph 30 (6-3)
(9-0) Twin Loup 59, Garden County 6 (8-1)
(8-1) Blue Hill 42, O'Neill St. Mary's 14 (8-1)
(5-4) Ansley/Litchfield 65, Loomis 20 (9-0)
(7-2) Sandhills/Thedford 34, Mullen 26 (9-0)

Quarterfinals:

(9-1) Falls City Sacred Heart 46, Bloomfield 12 (9-1)
(10-0) BDS 22, Humphrey St. Francis 14 (9-1)
(10-0) Twin Loup 29, Blue Hill 27 (9-1)
(8-2) Sandhills/Thedford 61, Ansley/Litchfield 25 (6-4)

Semifinals:

(10-1) Falls City Sacred Heart 16, BDS 12 (11-0)
(11-0) Twin Loup 18, Sandhills/Thedford 8 (9-2)

Championship

(11-1) Falls City Sacred Heart 44, Twin Loup 28 (12-0)

Championship Team: Falls City SH (12-1), Coach: **Doug Goltz**

2016 Class D-2 (Eight Man 2) Offense

QB--Kale Kleinschmidt-BDS, 5-8, 160, Senior

RB--Alex Horky-Twin Loup, 5-8, 165 Junior

RB-- Quentin Moles Bloomfield, 5-11, 175, Junior

WR--Dawson Sudbeck-Wynot, 5-7, 145, Senior

TE--Kade Pokorny-Sandhills-Thedford, 6-0, 210, Senior

OL--Collin Brown Blue Hill, 6-3, 300, Senior***

OL--Bryan Jorn-Falls City Sacred Heart, 6-5, 316, Senior

OL-McGwire Mackeprang Bloomfield, 6-3, 267, Senior

Kicker-Hunter Krause-Twin Loup, 6-0, 165. Junior

2016 Class D-2 (Eight Man 2) Defense

DL--Michael Keithley-Falls City Sacred Heart, 6-3, 201, Senior

DL--Cole Wemhoff-Humphrey St. Francis, 6-2, 220, Senior

DL--Theo Rohrer-Falls City Sacred Heart, 6-3, 226, Senior

LB--Austin Ahern-Falls City Sacred Heart 5-10, 209, Senior

LB--Michael Gibbons-Twin Loup, 5-10, 160, Senior

LB--Austin Wieseman-Osceola, 6-1, 180, Senior

DB- Jacey Nutter-Sandhills-Thedford, 6-1, 200, Senior

DB--Christian Haring-Falls City Sacred Heart, 5-10, 166, Junior

Punter/Athlete--Emerson Keithley-Falls City Sacred Heart, 5-10, 147, Junior
