

***118 schools played 8-man in 2008** (59 schools in D1 and 59 in D2, 3 less than in 2007. **DENOTES: 8-Man Hall of Fame Inductee**)

2008 Final Class D-1 Top 10 (Stu Pospisil- Omaha World Herald)

- 1. Howells - 13-0, (572-188) {44-14}**
- 2. Clarkson - 10-2, (669-243)**
- 3. Shelby - 9-2, (468-151)**
- 4. Axtell - 9-4, (500-356)**
- 5. Maxwell - 9-3, (439-252)**
- 6. Bancroft-Rosalie - 8-3, (528-266)**
- 7. Freeman - 9-1, (516-130)**
- 8. Giltner - 9-2, (421-249)**
- 9. Burwell - 9-1, (486-184)**
- 10 Clearwater-Orchard - 9-2, (480-184)**

2008 Class D-1 (Eight-Man 1)

First Round:

- (5-3) Newman Grove 24, Eustis-Farnam 18 (7-1)
- (5-3) Axtell 37, Medicine Valley 14 (6-2)
- (7-1) Clearwater/Orchard 34, Arapahoe 14 (4-4)
- (7-1) Franklin 34, Amherst 22 (4-4)
- (8-0) Burwell 44, Overton 22 (5-3)
- (7-1) Giltner 54, Palmer 22 (5-3)
- (6-2) Elwood 50, Garden County 22 (5-3)
- (6-2) Maxwell 60, Silver Lake 18 (5-3)
- (8-0) Howells 52, Omaha Christian Academy 10 (5-3)
- (5-3) Meridian 62, Mead 54 (5-3)
- (5-3) Emerson-Hubbard 20, Hartington 7 (7-1)

(7-1) Shelby 58, Deshler 0 (4-4)
(8-0) Freeman 62, Exeter-Milligan 26 (4-4)
(6-2) Bancroft-Rosalie 56, Johnson-Brock 14 (6-2)
(5-3) Cedar Bluffs 34, Winside 12 (5-3)
(7-1) Clarkson 64, McCool Junction 8 (5-3)

Second Round:

(6-3) Axtell 29, Newman Grove 20 (6-3)
(8-1) Clearwater/Orchard 31, Franklin 20 (8-1)
(8-1) Giltner 48, Burwell 40 ()
(7-2) Maxwell 45, Elwood 12 ()
(9-0) Howells 54, Meridian 8 ()
(8-1) Shelby 38, Emerson-Hubbard 14 (6-3)
(7-2) Bancroft-Rosalie 38, Freeman 32 OT (9-0)
(8-1) Clarkson 68, Cedar Bluffs 16 (6-3)

Quarterfinals:

(7-3) Axtell 40, Clearwater/Orchard 36 (9-1)
(8-2) Maxwell 14, Giltner 0 (9-1)
(10-0) Howells 38, Shelby 8 (9-1)
(9-1) Clarkson 44, Bancroft-Rosalie 8 (8-2)

Semifinals:

(8-3) Axtell 30, Maxwell 22 (9-2)
(11-0) Howells 28, Clarkson 20 (10-1)

Final:

(12-0) Howells 46, Axtell 21 (9-3)

Championship Team: Howells (13-0), Championship Coach: Mike Speirs

2008 Class D-1 (Eight Man 1) Offense

QB--Nate Most-Giltner, 6-1, 195, Junior

RB--Clint Belina-Howells, 6-2, 200, Junior

RB--Seth Houdersheldt-Shelby, 5-10, 190, Senior

RB--Kayle Barnes-Elwood, 5-10, 160, Senior

End-Kyle Spotts-Giltner, 5-11, 155, Senior

OL--Mitch Tomka-Howells, 6-3, 230, Junior

OL--Tim Prokopec-Clarkson, 5-11, 240, Senior

OL--Blake Reil-Bancroft-Rosalie, 6-2, 240, Senior

Kicker-Casey Eggleston-Axtell, 5-11, 165, Junior

2008 Class D-1 (Eight Man 1) Defense

DL--Dustin Sindelar-Howells, 6-1, 195, Senior

DL--Westin Gustafson-Axtell, 6-1, 192, Junior

LB--Russell Walton-Franklin, 6-1, 205, Senior

LB--Michael Konicek-Clarkson, 5-9, 185, Senior

LB--Dylan Breining-Arapahoe, 6-1, 215, Senior

DB-Jordan Moline-Mead, 6-2, 155, Senior

DB-Cody Calhoun-Maxwell, 6-2, 172, Junior

DB-Cody Gurney-Burwell, 5-11, 160, Senior

Punter-Spencer Fecht-Axtell, 6-1, 175, Junior

2008 Final Class D-2 Top 10 (Stu Pospisil- Omaha World Herald)

- 1. Ewing - 12-1 (632-214) {48.-16}**
- 2. Humphrey St. Francis - 12-1 (736-154)**
- 3. Elgin High - 11-1 (569-210)**
- 4. Hayes Center - 11-1 (644-166)**
- 5. Anselmo-Merna- 10-1 (572-230)**
- 6. Lawrence-Nelson - 8-3 (426-212)**
- 7. Bruning-Davenport - 9-1 (540-156)**
- 8. Elgin Pope John - 7-3 (328-210)**
- 9. O'Neill St. Marys - 7-3 (400-312)**
- 10 Sargent - 8-2 (397-189)**

2008 Class D-2 (Eight-Man 2)

First Round:

- (8-0) Elgin 64, Verdigre 24 (4-4)
(6-2) Wynot 59, Shickley 28 (6-2)
(4-4) Allen 37, Coleridge 8 (6-2)
(7-1) Sterling 38, Falls City Sacred Heart 20 (6-2)
(8-0) Bruning-Davenport 54, Lindsay Holy Family 28 (4-4)
(6-2) Lawrence-Nelson 34, Hampton 20 (7-1)
(6-2) Elgin Pope John 34, Dodge 8 (5-3)
(8-0) Humphrey St. Francis 46, Bloomfield 0 (5-3)
(8-0) Anselmo-Merna 60, Banner County 30 (4-4)
(6-2) Pleasanton 56, Stuart 12 (5-3)
(7-1) Ansley 64, Wallace 28 (5-3)
(8-0) Hayes Center 60, Sumner-Eddyville-Miller 16 (4-4)
(7-1) Ewing 54, Hyannis 14 (5-3)

(4-4) Loomis 30, Mullen 27 (6-2)
(6-2) O'Neill St. Mary's 42, Chambers 39 (4-4)
(7-1) Sargent 42, Sandhills/Thedford 6 (3-5)

Second Round:

(9-0) Elgin 40, Wynot 14 (7-2)
(5-4) Allen 26, Sterling 22 (8-1)
(7-2) Lawrence-Nelson 23, Bruning-Davenport 22 (9-0)
(9-0) Humphrey St. Francis 56, Elgin Pope John 14 (7-)
(9-0) Anselmo-Merna 60, Pleasanton 22 (7-2)
(9-0) Hayes Center 46, Ansley 6 (8-1)
(8-1) Ewing 63, Loomis 34 (5-4)
(7-2) O'Neill St. Mary's 44, Sargent 38 OT (8-1)

Quarterfinals:

(10-0) Elgin 21, Allen 12 (6-4)
(10-0) Humphrey St. Francis 58, Lawrence-Nelson 12 (8-2)
(10-0) Hayes Center 48, Anselmo-Merna 14 (10-0)
(9-1) Ewing 42, O'Neill St. Mary's 6 (8-2)

Semifinals:

(11-0) Humphrey St. Francis 52, Elgin 29 (11-0)
(10-1) Ewing 36, Hayes Center 27 (11-0)

Final:

(11-1) Ewing 49, Humphrey St. Francis 24 (12-0)

Championship Coach: Brock Eichelberger

2008 Class D-2 (Eight Man 2) Offense

QB--Brett Kaczor-Ewing, 5-10 195, Senior*

RB--Alex Dose-Hampton, 5-9, 170, Junior*

RB--Matt Korus-Humphrey St. Francis, 5-10, 170, Junior

RB--Sean Campbell-Pleasanton, 6-0, 208 Junior

End-Austin Kaczor-Ewing, 6-4 205, Junior*

OL--Holiday Quesada-Bloomfield, 6-2, 255, Senior

OL--Nick Krings-Humphrey St. Francis, 6-3, 190, Junior

OL--Brett Mahnkle-Ellgin High, 6-2, 200, Senior

Kicker-Phillip Thrasher-Ewing, 6-1, 175, Junior

2008 Class D-2 (Eight Man 2) Defense

DL--Zach Sibbel O'Neill St. Mary's, 6-3, 195, Senior

DL- Brent Houchin-Bruning-Davenport, 6-7, 205, Senior

DL--Zach Lemka-Sterling, 6-5, 219, Junior

LB--Beau Fry-Ewing, 5-10, 180, Senior

LB--Tad Henkenius-Elgin High, 5-10, 200, Senior

LB--Matt Gohl-Hayes Center, 6-4, 205, Senior*

DB-Andrew Bauer Elgin High, 6-2, 190, Senior

DB-Scott Wilmes Allen, 6-1, 170, Senior

Punter-Dwayne Wall-Hampton, 6-0, 180, Senior*
