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Iowa Newspaper Association All-State Baseball Teams chosen

DES MOINES - The Iowa Newspaper Association announced its 2005 All-State Baseball selections Wednesday, selecting first, second, third teams and team captains for classes 1A, 2A, 3A, and 4A.

The four seniors selected as team captains were 4A - Justin Toole, Lewis Central-Council Bluffs; 3A - Drew Laidig, Carlisle; 2A - Wes Freie, Wilton; 1A - Jordan Duffy, Lansing Kee.

Writers in attendance were: Lori Wisner, Ocheyedan Press Melvin News; Matt Gengler, Missouri Valley Times-News; John Riehl, Cedar Rapids Gazette; Ryan Weatherill, Council Bluffs Nonpariel; Matt Coss, Waterloo Courier; Ross Thede, Marshalltown Times Republican; Mike Oeffner, Harlan Tribune; Mike Falco, Creston News Advertiser; Beth Lutgen, Dyersville Commercial; Ashley Schable, Carroll Daily Times Herald; Neal Molitor, Carroll Daily Times Herald; John Jensen, Oelwein Daily Register/Independence Bulletin-Journal; Doug Rieder, Jefferson Herald; Drew Herron, Atlantic News Telegraph; Mark Pawlak, Marshalltown Times-Republican; Kevin White, Omaha World Herald; Daryl Schepanski, Anamosa Journal-Eureka; Jared Patterson, Mason City Globe Gazette; Jeff Webster, Perry Chief.

Coaches also in attendance were: Lee Toole, Lewis Central High School; Tim O'Neill, Dowling Catholic High School.

Class 4A Captain Justin Toole of Lewis Central is everything you expect from a baseball coach's son. Toole has worked well over 400 strikeouts for his career, including 152 this season. He's also a power-hitting player as well as a team leader.

Drew Laidig, Captain of the 3A team, has been a huge reason why Carlisle has been a strong team in Class 2A and in Class 3A. He's been a great hitter, a steady pitcher and a rock-solid defensive factor for the Wildcats.

A four-year starter for the Wilton baseball team, Wes Freie, Captain of the 2A team, has firmly entrenched himself as the team leader both on the field and in the record book. In his senior season, Freie led the Beavers to a berth in the state tournament and a 36-0 regular season record. Prior to the 2005 season, Freie had already set 15 career and 13 single season records at Wilton. This season, he entered the state tournament as the class 2A leader in home runs (16) and was second in batting average (.509). Freie also collected 59 RBI and had 55 total hits. On the pitching mound, the hard-throwing right-hander compiled a perfect 11-0 record, with an ERA of 0.86. He struck out 132 in 79 innings of work. He is a two-time all-state selection, two-time Louisville Slugger All-American and was named to the Iowa High School Coaches Association Super Team in 2004. Freie has signed to play baseball next spring for the University of Iowa.

Lansing, Kee High's Jordan Duffy was named captain of the Class 1A All-State team. Duffy was a stalwart both as a pitcher and hitter for the Kee Hawks, who were ranked No. 1 in Class 1A all year and head into the state tournament as heavy favorites. The senior entered the state tournament with a 14-0 record and a sterling 1.80 earned run average. He struck out 123 batters in 80 innings of work. He was even better offensively, compiling a .508 batting average with 64 hits, 18 doubles and 10 home runs, all the best in the Class 1A state tournament. He has driven home a whopping 68 runs this year in just 42 games. Kee, which is coached by Gene Schultz, the national leader in career baseball coaching victories, is seeking a record ninth state baseball championship this year.

Class 4A - FIRST TEAM

POSITION	Player	SCHOOL		GRADE	Bat	W-L	ERA
Pitcher	Dan Jennings	West Des Moines Valley	Sr.	9-0	1.20		
Pitcher	Justin Toole	Lewis Central-Council Bluffs	Sr.	10-3	0.56		
Pitcher	Todd Vogel	Ankeny	Sr.		8-2	1.94	
Catcher	Jeff Lanning	Ankeny	Sr.	.509			
First Base	Kalvin Johnson	Ankeny		Sr.	.422		
Infield	Tyler Born	Cedar Rapids Jefferson	Sr.	.420			
Infield	Nick Muhlenbruch	Iowa City High		Sr.	.481		
Infield	Jimmy Swift	West Des Moines Dowling Jr.		.400			
Outfield	Travis Bennett	Cedar Rapids Jefferson	Jr.	.458			
Outfield	Jordan Burrows	West Des Moines Valley	Sr.	.480			
Outfield	John Lee	Mason City		Sr.	.444		
Utility	Nick Nordgren	Cedar Rapids Jefferson	Sr.	.503	6-0		
Utility	TJ Roemmich	West Des Moines Dowling Jr.		.512	7-1		

CLASS 4A - SECOND TEAM

Pitcher	Ben Percival	West Des Moines Valley	Sr.	5-1	2.08		
Pitcher	Zach Robertson	Des Moines Lincoln	Jr.		10-2	2.14	
Pitcher	Luke Stamp	Lewis Central-Council Bluffs	Jr.	9-1	2.38		
Catcher	Troy Downing	Ottumwa		Sr.	.441		

First Base	R.J. Jerrick	Iowa City West	Sr.	.420			
Infield	Bryan Baum	Ottumwa			Jr.	.417	
Infield	Brendan Furrow	Johnston	Sr.	.448			
Infield	Mike Stamp	Lewis Central-Council Bluffs Jr.	.406				
Outfield	Trenton Lee	Sioux City West	Sr.	.442			
Outfield	Clay Rominger	Indianola			Sr.	.376	
Outfield	Benn Stockton	Des Moines Lincoln	Sr.	.553			
Utility	Mike Kool	Davenport Central			Sr.	.418	
Utility	Kellen Vance	Ankeny	Sr.	.392			

CLASS 4A - THIRD TEAM

Pitcher	Ryan Garman	Cedar Rapids Jefferson	Soph.	6-1	1.95		
Pitcher	Cole McClelland	West Des Moines Valley	Sr.	8-0	1.74		
Pitcher	James Teas	Ames			Sr.		5-1 0.48
Catcher	Greg Bryant	Mason City			Jr.	.367	
First Base	Joe Martin	Cedar Rapids Prairie			Sr.	.363	
Infield	Jon Gilmore	Iowa City High	Soph.	.383			
Infield	Derek Ott	Waterloo East			Sr.	.404	
Infield	Brian Peterson	Clinton			Sr.	.469	
Outfield	Justin Brauer	Davenport West			Jr.	.410	
Outfield	Mike Mitchell	Davenport Central			Jr.	.430	
Outfield	Derek Townsend	Council Bluffs Jefferson	Sr.	.419			
Utility	Brand Arends	Fort Dodge			Sr.	.368	
Utility	Danny Rose	Mason City			Jr.	.407	

CLASS 3A - FIRST TEAM

Pitcher	Andrew DeSousa	CR Xavier			Sr.		7-3 2.30
Pitcher	Stephan Keane	Sioux City Heelan			Sr.	9-0 1.74	
Pitcher	Adam Kohls	Hampton-Dumont			Sr.		10-2 1.25
Catcher	Drew Laidig	Carlisle			Sr.	.500	
First Base	Matt Holland	Marion			Jr.	.580	
Infield	Bryn Henderson	Mt. Pleasant			Sr.	.521	
Infield	Jordan Kraayenbrink	Decorah			Jr.	.528	
Infield	Josh Taylor	Marion			Sr.	.500	
Outfield	Chris Dana	Waverly-Shell Rock			Sr.	.505	
Outfield	Ryan Hoerner	Western Dubuque			Sr.	.492	
Outfield	Jesse Kent	West Delaware			Sr.	.423	
Utility	Mark McNeely	Saydel			Sr.	.410	11-1
Utility	Will Schulte	Benton Community			Sr.	.456	5-2

CLASS 3A - SECOND TEAM

Pitcher	Marty Kass	Western Dubuque			Sr.		10-1 1.04
Pitcher	Peter Reifenrath	Decorah			Jr.	10-1 1.38	
Pitcher	Dexter Sauer	Sioux City Heelan			Sr.	8-0 1.35	
Catcher	Logan Huisman	MOC-Floyd Valley			Jr.	.419	
First Base	Mitch Lincoln	DeWitt Central			Sr.	.449	
Infield	David Callahan	Sioux City Heelan			Sr.	.389	
Infield	Austin Hinz	Anamosa			Sr.	.496	
Infield	Joe Wendte	Sioux City Heelan			Jr.	.375	
Outfield	Curt Bomgaars	MOC-Floyd Valley			Jr.	.525	
Outfield	Trevor Conner	Creston			Jr.	.447	
Outfield	Danny Mousel	Sioux City Heelan			Sr.	.321	
Utility	Mark Blum	Harlan			Jr.	.370	6-1
Utility	Jason Semprini	Carroll			Sr.	.392	7-3

CLASS 3A - THIRD TEAM

Pitcher	Logan Masters	Storm Lake	Jr.		9-2	1.23
Pitcher	Eric Miller	Charles City	Jr.	8-3	1.47	
Pitcher	Tyler Horn	Mt. Pleasant	Sr.		10-1	1.52
Catcher	Ozzy DeGroot	Hampton-Dumont	Sr.	.429		
First Base	Keane McCarthy	CR Xavier		Sr.	.424	
Infield	Trent Svendsen	Harlan	Sr.	.412		
Infield	Wess Morning	Anamosa		Jr.	.472	
Infield	Nate Woods	CR Xavier			Soph.	.319
Outfield	Phil Keppler	West Delaware	Soph.	.492		
Outfield	James Ruen	Decorah		Sr.	.361	
Outfield	John Mach	Storm Lake			Sr.	.462
Utility	Jordan Loebig	Dallas Center-Grimes	Sr.	.378		
Utility	Nate Becker	Perry		Sr.	.313	

CLASS 2A - FIRST TEAM

Pitcher	Evan Cooling	Wilton	Sr.		13-0	0.62
Pitcher	Tom Heithoff	Kuemper		Sr.		12-1 0.55
Pitcher	Jacob Phipps	East Marshall	Sr.		10-2	1.25
Catcher	Jeremy Wein	Wilton	Jr.	.532		
First Base	Jason Lansing	North Fayette		Sr.	.429	
Infield	Wes Freie	Wilton			Sr.	.509
Infield	Mark Mahmens	Northeast Goose Lake	Sr.	.441		
Infield	Keith Warner	Denver	Jr.	.497		
Outfield	Luke McDermott	Cascade	Sr.	.445		
Outfield	Robbie Mohr	Maquoketa Valley		Sr.	.450	
Outfield	Dean Molitor	Kuemper		Jr.	.504	
Utility	Alex Rehnstrom	Sioux Central	Sr.	.423		
Utility	Schuyler Tripp	Davis County	Sr.	.544		

CLASS 2A - SECOND TEAM

Pitcher	John Bothwell	M.C. Newman Catholic	Soph.		8-1	0.56
Pitcher	Nick Olberding	Beckman		Sr.		7-3 1.65
Pitcher	Nick Walker	North Polk		Jr.		9-0 0.46
Catcher	Corben Schueler	Woodward-Granger		Jr.	.481	
First Base	Matt Teyeler	Beckman			Jr.	.431
Infield	Blake Humpal	Maquoketa Valley		Sr.	.453	
Infield	Jordan Paulus	Rockford		Sr.	.557	
Infield	Matt Wagner	Iowa City Regina	Jr.	.407		
Outfield	Jordan Adams	M.C. Newman	8th	.508		
Outfield	Luke Drennen	Camanche		Sr.	.500	
Outfield	Beau Kaplan	North Polk		Jr.	.471	
Utility	Lance Brown	Mt. Ayr	Soph.	.424		
Utility	Scott Brown	Clarinda	Sr.	.411		

CLASS 2A - THIRD TEAM

Pitcher	Darren O'Brien	AGWSR		Sr.		7-1 0.62
Pitcher	Ryan Ratcliff	Panorama		Sr.		5-4 2.20
Pitcher	Eric Fox	Audubon		Sr.		8-2 1.01
Catcher	Quinn O'Brien	Kuemper		Sr.	.340	
First Base	Steve Chamberlain	Center Point-Urbana		Jr.	.495	
Infield	Jake Kuennen	Denver	Sr.	.411		
Infield	Brent Pyle	HMS			Sr.	.430
Infield	Michael Gerk	St. Ansgar		Jr.	.455	
Outfield	Garrett Folmuth	St. Ansgar		Jr.	.468	
Outfield	Jeff Pacha	Iowa City Regina		Soph.	.488	
Outfield	Seth Moen	West Lyon		Sr.	.500	
Utility	Jared Koch	Cherokee			Sr.	.364
Utility	Billy Marsh	Clarinda	Sr.	.450		

CLASS 1A - FIRST TEAM

Pitcher	Jordan Duffy	Lansing Kee	Sr.		14-0	1.800		
Pitcher	Levi Ferguson	North Mahaska	Jr.		8-1	2.100		
Pitcher	Josh Nalan	SCMT			Jr.		11-1	0.500
Catcher	Kalab Evans	Lenox		Frosh		.534		
First Base	Ryan Luedtke	Sentral		Jr.		.421		
Infield	Cannon Dolan	East Buchanan	Sr.			.611		
Infield	Gabe Schultz	Lansing Kee	Jr.			.444		
Infield	Erik Smith	West Harrison		Sr.		.518		
Outfield	Preston Krohn	AHST (Avoca)	Sr.			.500		
Outfield	Ben Ney	Spalding	Sr.			.465		
Outfield	Luke Warren	N.U. High		Sr.		.596		
Utility	Joel Kohler	Nora Springs - Rock Falls	Sr.			.353		
Utility	Kurt List	Spalding		Sr.		.374		

CLASS 1A - SECOND TEAM

Pitcher	Jordan Catrell	Keota		Sr.			12-3	1.490
Pitcher	Jake Samo	Lenox			Jr.		12-2	1.350
Pitcher	Cory Sharwood	Martensdale St. Mary's		6-0		0.820		
Catcher	Jacob Waddle	Coon Rapids Bayard		Sr.		.461		
First Base	Seth Mohr	Lansing Kee			Sr.		.402	
Infield	Jake Dooley	Martensdale St. Mary's	Sr.			.571		
Infield	Alex Ernst	Coon Rapids Bayard			Sr.		.474	
Infield	Joe Hoeg	North Tama			Sr.		.476	
Outfield	Justin Kuhlman	West Harrison		Sr.		.394		
Outfield	Justin Sprung	Nora Springs Rock Falls	Sr.			.498		
Outfield	A.J. Wright	Van Meter			Sr.		.453	
Utility	Chase Durfee	West Harrison		Sr.		.533		
Utility	Justin Haley	Calmus Wheatland			Sr.		.473	

CLASS 1A - THIRD TEAM

Pitcher	Scott Schippers	Twin Cedars (Bussey)		Sr.		7-2	1.49	
Pitcher	Mike Hoffman	ArWeVa		Soph.		7-1	1.54	
Pitcher	Dustin Powers	New London			Jr.		7-2	1.40
Catcher	Cody Davis	North Mahaska			Sr.		.473	
First Base	Travis Dorsey	CAM (Anita)			Jr.		.446	
Infield	Andy Beck	Lansing Kee			Soph.		.469	
Infield	Blake Wixom	Winfield-Mt. Union		Sr.		.519		
Infield	Danny Peterson	Walnut		Jr.		.407		
Outfield	Aaron Siefken	Sentral		Frosh		.373		
Outfield	Alex Eischeid	Marquette			Sr.		.434	
Outfield	Chris Wilson	North Tama			Sr.		.433	
Utility	Jason Hassman	NSRF			Jr.		.451	
Utility	Josh Olson	Walnut			Jr.		.412	

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