

# MLC SportsPage



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## Fall Season Suspended Due to COVID-19

The Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (UMAC) announced the suspension of all fall sports on August 24. That decision followed the July 30 announcement that the football, volleyball, and soccer seasons would be postponed until the spring due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

On September 2, the conference released proposed schedules for football, volleyball, and soccer during the traditional spring season. The volleyball and soccer teams are each scheduled to play a single round robin (eight games) against conference opponents in March and April, while the football team will play four conference opponents starting on April 3, along with a potential crossover game to end the season in early May.



Kati Aguilar (CLHS) on the attack (2019)

## Teams Return to Practice Despite Postponed Season



Austin DeNoyer (Lakeside) breaks the tackle (2019)

While all fall sports competition was suspended, all eight MLC fall sports teams were able to begin practices at the start of the school year.

The men's and women's soccer teams will practice three times per week through September, and will end fall workouts with intrasquad scrimmages that will be broadcast live via MLC Athletics' Knight Vision web stream on October 3.

The football team will hold two intrasquad scrimmages that will be broadcast live on September 10 and October 2, while the volleyball team will have a pair of scrimmages on September 25 and October 1.

The golf and cross country teams will practice throughout the fall season, with the hopes of competing against opponents in the spring.

## Today in MLC Athletics History...

On September 9, 2012, the MLC volleyball team closed its two-day tournament at Bethel University with wins over Central (3-0) and Carleton (3-1).

The Knights swept Central in three sets with the help of 11 kills from Rebecca Engelbrecht ('14) and 29 assists by Miranda Maasz ('15). MLC followed that with a four-set win over Carleton that featured 21 Engelbrecht kills, while Rachel Hein ('14) finished with 14 kills and eight blocks.

MLC finished the 2012 season with a 10-4 record in UMAC play. Its third-place finish in the final league standings tied for the program's best finish since the 2006 season.



Maasz sets the attack (2012)