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Several athletes from the area took part in volleyball, football or basketball, joining the best of the best in recent all-star games.

Team members for the West Nebraska All-Star games were selected by nominations from students' high school coaches.

Taking part were 88 athletes and 12 coaches.

Two Perkins County graduates were also selected for the Mid-Plains Area All-Star basketball game.

## **Volleyball**

In its 26th year, the West vs East All-Star volleyball game was held at Cougar Palace in Scottsbluff.

Perkins County's Mackenzie Hite was named most valuable player for the West squad who won the game in three of five sets 23-25, 25-22, 26-24, 17-25 and 15-9.

Hite served five points, recorded 12 digs, one kill and 18 set assists in the June 5 game on the Western Nebraska Community College campus.

Selected as a member of the East team was Jena Aylward of Wallace.

Aylward's contribution to her East team included seven kills, 12 points, two ace serves and 11 digs.

Coaching the West players was Jackie Rahmig of Bridgeport. The East team was led by Alan Miller of Stapleton-McPherson County High School.

### **Football**

Plainsmen graduates Nick Turner and Max Jones were among eight area players participating for the West Team in the annual West Nebraska All-Star football game.

The West defeated the East 23-12 in the 33rd annual event held June 5 at Bearcat Stadium in Scottsbluff.

Coaching the West players was Tom O'Boyle of Gering with assistance from retiring area coaches Bart Voycheske of Ogallala and Bryan Kotchwar of Big Springs.

### **Basketball**

Josh Sexson and Kye Kurkowski each contributed points to the 77-66 victory of the Black Team over the Gold Team during the Mid-Plains Area All-Star game June 4 at the McDonald-Belton campus in North Platte.

Sexson made two baskets and both of his free throws for a total of six points in the game.

Kurkowski scored a basket in the fourth quarter.

Coaching the Black Team was Dave Jacobs of Hershey.