

Track team continues rise, places 2nd in state

FACTS & FIGURES

Final records

FALL '05

Football	6-4
Girls basketball	10-12
Golf	31-4

WINTER '06

Boys basketball	12-9
Volleyball	33-8-8

SPRING '07

Baseball	16-10
Softball	18-10
Boys track	7-2
Girls track	4-6

MVPs

Football: George Flanner & Chuck Tabbert
 Boys CC: Mark Hojnacki
 Girls CC: Maureen Gibbs
 Girls basketball: Jayme Kurek
 Boys basketball: Travis Rombach
 Volleyball: Sarah Christensen, Kate Donnelly, Ashley Elekovich, Brianna Lievens
 Baseball: Mitch Frazier
 Softball: Ashleigh Barron
 Boys track: Josh DuPree
 Girls track: unknown

TCC

CHAMPIONS
 Football: Sand Creek
 Golf: Summerfield
 Girls basketball: Sand Creek
 Boys basketball: Morenci
 Volleyball: Whiteford
 Baseball: Whiteford
 Softball: Summerfield
 Boys track: Whiteford
 Girls track: Sand Creek

All-State

Ashleigh Barron, softball, 1st team
 Andrew Rhoades, football, HM (AP)
 Josh DuPree, track, 2nd, high jump
 Keagen Puse, track, 2nd, high hurdles, 3rd, low hurdles
 400 relay (Puse, DuPree, Aaron Flanner, Nate Seevers), 2nd



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Ashleigh Barron was a two-time All-State softball player at Whiteford. She became just the second Bobcat to ever lead the team in batting three straight seasons (Wendy Adams was the first) by hitting tops on the team in 2005, 2006 and 2007.

BOBCAT HEADLINES

- The girls cross country team repeated as TCC champions and placed at the Regional. Jackie DeBruyne was the highest individual with a 12th at Regional
- After winning TCC title, the boys track team finished 2nd at Division 4 state meet
- Whiteford claimed its 19th TCC championship in volleyball while baseball team won another crown as well

NUMBERS & NOTES

GIRLS BASKETBALL: Jayme Kurek became one of the few Bobcats to lead the team in points, rebounds, steals and assists in the same season, helping Whiteford win 10 games.

FOOTBALL: Looking back, it was a strange season for the 2005 Bobcats.

The four Bobcat losses were by a total of 86 points, but the six victories included a 44-13 blowout against Gibsonburg, a 38-13 win over Whitmore Lake, a 34-13 win against Morenci and a 62-6 drubbing of Britton-Deerfield.

The Bobcats shutout the Summerfield to reach the playoffs in a great defensive effort, keyed late by a Chris Wohlfarth sack that will long be remembered by Bobcat fans.

George Flanner came within 22 yards of reaching 1,000 yards, Andrew Rhoades had a great season kicking the ball and Chuck Tabbert had 92 tackles.

BOYS BASKETBALL: Several close games, an overtime thriller and a spot in the Emmanuel Baptist Christmas Tournament finals highlighted the Bobcat season.

Whiteford finished 12-9 on the year. Several of those losses were nailbiters. The Bobcats lost to league champion Morenci in double overtime on the road and by just four points at home after leading heading into the fourth quarter. Against league runner-up Whitmore Lake, the Bobcats dropped a pair of one-point games, one on a last second shot and the other when the visiting Trojans made a pair of free throws with only a few seconds left on the clock.

Guards John Ritzenthaler and Mitch Frazier combined to make more than 40 three-pointers. Travis Rombach, a 6-5 senior newcomer, had a solid season. Sophomore Josh DuPree led the team in scoring, becoming one of only a handful of 10th graders to do that.

BASEBALL: The Bobcats won the TCC and put Austin Dickerson (.5-1), Chuck Tabbert (.329), Chris Wohlfarth (.446, 31 RBI), Bryce Funchion (.391) and John Ritzenthaler (.397, 20 steals) on the All-TCC unit.

TRACK: Whiteford's boys team was a state champion threat and settled for 2nd at the state meet in Grand Rapids. Josh DuPree was 2nd in the high jump and 7th in the 400, Keagen Puse placed 3rd in the 110-meter hurdles and 2nd in the 300-meter hurdles and the 400 relay team placed 2nd to lead the Bobcats.