

XAVIER GIRLS BASKETBALL HISTORY YEAR-BY-YEAR – RECAP

REVISED 11-2015 FOR 2015-16

OVERALL	CONF	CONF TITLE	STATE TRIPS	
1976-77	18-2	13-1	C	S Hawks capture inaugural Fox Valley Christian (FVCC) crown; place 2nd at State to Milwaukee Lutheran, 53-37 under coach Bob Flynn.
1977-78	19-1	13-1	C	S Andy Mahoney's squad roars back to claim State Title by turning tables on Milwaukee Lutheran in finals, 53-45.
1978-79	20-2	13-1	C	S Third straight Christian Conference championship; lose State opener to Racine St. Catherine.
1979-80	20-2	13-1	C	S Don Geenen's Hawks roll to 4th consecutive FVCC title; lose tough 5-point State opener to Pius XI, 45-40; Maureen Riopelle cracks 1,000 Point Club (1,088).
1980-81	13-7	10-4		S XHS dips to FVCC bridesmaid; defeated in Regionals by Lourdes, 42-33.
1981-82	14-7	11-3		S Hawks miss out on "Gold" again; ousted in regional tourney by St. Joseph Academy Sajoacs, 54-35.
1982-83	16-5	12-2	C	S FVCC Player of the Year Julie Miller leads Xavier in reclaiming FVCC hardware, but Hawks upset by Roncalli in Sub Regional, 39-29.
1983-84	17-8	8-6		S Brad Garvey's Hawks miss injured Jill Sauer and fall to 4th in FVCC; rebound at State to shock unbeaten Aquinas when "Sabish made the pair!" – but finish 2nd to tough Pius XI team, 53-37.
1984-85	22-2	13-1	C	S Hawks romp through FVCC for 6th "Gold Basketball" in 9 years; FVCC Player of the Year and A.P. 1st team All-Stater Jill Sauer joins 1000 Point Club (1,013); Hawks go 'Downtown to MECCA' but edged by "USA Today" Pius XI Lady Popes and Heidi Bunek, 53-44, in WISAA State Semifinals.
1985-86	23-4	13-1	C	S Xavier soars to 2nd straight FVCC title, 7th overall; Hawks' TV debut gets poor second-half ratings, falling to infallible Pius XI Lady Popes in WISAA championship tilt for second time in 3 years, 64-44.
1986-87	23-3	14-0	C	S Record-setting Hawks make FVCC history by becoming first team to go unbeaten, grabbing 3rd consecutive and 8th overall league crown; Hawks excommunicated by Lady Popes in WISAA title bout again, 62-61.
1987-88	25-1	14-0	C	S Xavier halts Pius' state-record win streak at 70 straight; FVCC Player of the Year and A.P. 2nd team All-Stater Mariann Vanden Elzen paces Hawks to 4th consecutive and 9th overall FVCC crown, and 1st unbeaten regular season. Elusive state title travels to Pius as Jenni Kraft's 32 foot buzzer beater stuns Hawks for 3rd straight year and 4th time in last 5 years, 67-66. "Garv" leaves XHS to assist Lawrence Men's hoops.
1988-89	16-7	10-4		S Xavier abdicates FVCC throne, losing 4x by a total of 16 points, but deals champ Roncalli lone loss. Upended by Sajoacs in regional semifinal by 4. Long-time XHS JV coach Ellen Sauer takes over as Hawks' head coach.
1989-90	20-7	12-4		S Hawks pull together, gain last 9 of 10; dump FVCC champion & previously unbeaten # 1 Lourdes to claim 10th regional crown; continue giant killing by nipping 25-0 Regis by 1 in state semis. Broken record... Lady Popes too tough in WISAA finals once again, taking national record 9th state trophy in a row.
1990-91	13-9	9-5		S Season of close contests (50.2 ppg offensively & 44.1 defensively) leads to 3rd place FVCC. The 5 conference loss spreads total 12 points (2.4 ppg). Senior Lisa Thiel, 1st team All-FVCC, finishes 6th on all-time Hawks' scoring list with 721 points in 72 games.
1991-92	17-9	10-6		S Young Hawks mature and put together late-season surge, notching 10 of last 12, including white-knuckling wins over FVL by 6 for sectional title, state quarter win over Catholic Memorial by 1, and semifinal victory over St. Kate's by 5. Shot against Pius in finals, for 6th time in 9 years, comes up short, 36-35. Jackies — Huss and Busch named to WISAA All-Tourney team.
1992-93	21-3	13-1	C	S Veteran Hawks, led by FVCC 1st teamers Jackie "Huck" Huss and Jackie "Barbara" Busch, garner first league championship since 1988, and 10th overall title in 17 tries. Danielle "D" Pilon scorches MECCA nets, setting record for THREEeee's: number made, 6, and, highest percentage, 6 of 6, for 1.000. Lady Popes' stall cages Hawks for 7th time over 10 years, 49-36. Huck, Barbara and D named to WISAA All-Tourney squad.
1993-94	16-8	10-4		S Xavier zooms out of gate, winning 8 straight, but roller coast to league runner-up. 13th state trip in 20 seasons cut short by 6'1" Liz Reiman & her Aquinas Blugolds in quarterfinals. Sara Timmers (1st team FVCC, H.M. All-State, Optimist All-Tourney, & 1st team P-C), Betsy Sanders (2nd team FVCC), & Danielle Pilon (H.M. FVCC) pace Hawks, who beat eventual state champ Wisconsin Lutheran in prestigious Milw. Optimist Charity Classic.
1994-95	2-21	1-13		S Young and inexperienced Hawks struggle to first losing season ever. Lose for initial time to Springs after posting 38 consecutive wins over Ledgers. Ellen Sauer not retained as Xavier coach.



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1995-96	12-11	7-7		New coach Brian Garvey and All-FVCC 1st teamer Mindy Rueden lead Xavier back to respectability, but Hawks miss out on state trip by 5 points after shooting poorly in regional final against Notre Dame.	
1996-97	8-15	5-9		Xavier, behind sophomore 1st team All FVCC performer Amie VanDuerzen, plays hard, winning 3 straight to end regular season and play eventual WISAA runner-up Milwaukee DSHA to halftime tie in regional championship. Nine losses by a 5-point per game average margin make for disappointing season slate.	
1997-98	20-4	10-2	S	Talented and young Hawks restore luster to program by being final FVCC runners-up to FVL by 1 game, winning Region 4 championship & state trip, and notching 20 wins for first time since '92-93. Junior Amie Van Deurzen, the FVCC Player of the Year, sets school record for points in a game – 33 – twice, while moving into 3rd on all-time Xavier scoring chart with 924 points.	
1998-99	22-4	7-1	C	S	Battled tested Hawks live up to expectations and fly to Valley Independent Christian Conference co-championship and Region 1 title behind school's All-Time Scoring Ace (1,397) and 2nd Team A.P. All-Stater Amie Van Deurzen. Fans get moneys worth in 15th state trip with thrilling wins over highly regarded # 3 DSHA by 10 and # 2 Aquinas by 2, but, once again, (8th time vs. XHS) Pius pulls out "A" game in WISAA Championship, as Lady Popes take home all the marbles.
1999-00	15-8	11-3	V-8	S	New cast of characters continues to win, notching 400th overall victory in 24 seasons, finishing 2nd in new Valley 8 Conference. The "WISAA Last Dance" wouldn't be complete without Hawks, who win Region 8 championship, but are ousted in quarterfinals at state by DSHA. Xavier and St. Catherine tie at 16 for number of state trips, second only to... Pius... with 21. 16 times at state in 24 years: thanks, WISAA, for the memories!
2000-01	14-7	11-3		Hawks, who finish 2nd in league for 2nd straight year, chalk up 200th home-court win in 25 years during first year in the WIAA. Jenny Eiting and Brittany Herrick move onto top 20 all-time scoring chart. Coach Garvey resigns at season's end, moves across town.	
2001-02	10-12	7-7		New coach Brennan Hussey rudely greeted by a raft of injuries which ravage talented senior-laden squad that sinks in league standings.	
2002-03	5-16	4-10		Youthful exuberance can't overcome veteran opponent talent and savvy Hawks take lumps. Coach Hussey steps down at the end of the season.	
2003-04	7-14	5-9		First-year head coach Dan Riordan's Hawks battle all opponents to the wire and XHS shows slight improvement in league standings.	
2004-05	17-5	12-2		Persistence pays off with wins for senior-paced Hawks, who took lumps as Sophs & Juniors. Senior Mandie Van Harpen, a 1st team V-8 selection, leads XHS team in scoring and finishes 7th on the all-time Xavier scoring chart. Hawks string together 12 wins in a row and end 1 game back of FVL for league title. Memorable season ends with 2-point loss to FVL in terrific WIAA regional semifinal game in the Torchy Clark Gym at XHS, as shot at the buzzer comes up just short.	
2005-06	15-10	8-6		Hawks sweep FVL for first time since 1993-94 but can only manage 4th place in Valley 8 Conference play. Exciting WIAA tourney run leads to first-ever regional championship and sectional runner-up to New London, as bid for initial trip to Madison for WIAA girls state basketball tournament falls just one game short for XHS. The Hawks were the first basketball team to ever qualify for the sectional level since the school joined the WIAA in 2000-01 following many glorious years with the now-defunct WISAA.	
2006-07	16-6	11-3		The Valley 8 concludes its 8-year run with Hawks once again the bridesmaid for 4th time, more than any other school. Xavier finishes 1 game back in splitting regular season series with cross-town rival and league champ FVL, but Foxes take rubber match in WIAA Regional semifinal. Junior Maddie Drusch etches name at 20th place on XHS all-time Girls Basketball scoring chart with 401 points in 2 seasons.	
2007-08	13-8	12-6	EVC	Xavier battles unbeaten league champ Ripon and WIAA State Runner-up Freedom tooth & nail, but the Hawks still finish 3rd in new Eastern Valley Conference. 500th overall win in program's 32-year history comes at the expense of Waupaca. Senior Maddie Drusch finishes 13th on Xavier's all-time scoring list with 594 points. Junior Ashley Barwick puts her name at 15th on the same list with 548 points. For the second straight year, however, the Hawks' WIAA post-season ends at the hands of FVL in the season's rubber match.	
2008-09	17-6	13-5		A late-season surge, in which Xavier won 10 of 11 games carried the Hawks to a lofty finish – prior to a heartbreaking, 2-point loss in the WIAA Regional Championship game against Valders in Manitowoc. Ashley Barwick, playing in her 4th season on the XHS varsity, finished with 299 points to move into 5th place in the all-time scoring list for Xavier Girls Basketball with 847 points, an 11.0 per-game average. One of the season highlights was a thrilling, 2-hour overtime win over crosstown rival Fox Valley Lutheran, which at the time was the 4th-ranked team in the state. Another was a great defensive effort in holding U-Wisconsin recruit and conference Player of the Year Taylor Wurtz to just 11 points, 15 points below her average in a season when she became the all-time leading scorer at Ripon High School.	

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2009-10	17-9	11-7		A 6-game streak late in the season, including advancing to the Sectionals for only the 2nd time in WIAA history after many illustrious WISAA post-season runs, made for an exciting finish. But XHS was unable to complete its dream of making it to 'State' – ended by a 41-35 Sectional semi-final loss to 12th-ranked Winneconne, which went on to capture a silver ball in the state finals. The Hawks continued their home court advantage, as XHS has been successful 74 % of the time in all games in the Torchy Clark Gym. Dan Riordan was presented with his 100th coaching win in the first round of the WIAA tourney. Also, the 2009-10 Hawks entered the school record books, although not the kind they wanted: Fewest Points, Both Teams (45) and Fewest Points In Winning Effort (25).
2010-11	19-5	14-2		The 35th anniversary season of Xavier Girls Basketball was yet another memorable year for the Hawks. Xavier had its best finish in the 4 years of the Eastern Valley Conference, but finished second – one game behind the league leaders. XHS made a strong bid to advance to the Sectionals for the second straight year, but suffered a 3-point loss... in the third, hard-fought contest of the season between the top two teams in the EVC... during a Regional final that probably was worthy of being a Sectional final. XHS had two players move into the Top 25 in all-time scoring, as Lauren DeShaney took over the 18th spot and Brooke Schowalter ended in 25th place on the Xavier Girls Basketball career scoring list. After the season, Head Coach Dan Riordan resigned to work on completing his master's degree and teach in the Luxemburg-Casco district.
2011-12	20-6	12-4		Brian Garvey returns to his alma mater for his 2nd stint as the Hawks' head varsity Girls Basketball coach, having previously served in the position for 6 years, from 1995-96 to 2000-01. The Hawks came up just 9 points short in the Sectional final against Kewaunee, as Xavier made a gallant bid to make its first-ever trip to the WIAA Girls Basketball State Tournament. A spirited crowd of about 2,000 spectators packed the Ashwaubenon Fieldhouse for that physical Sectional final, the third straight Sectional appearance for XHS. A very deep 3 by Lexi Kersten with 11.7 seconds left in the Sectional semi-final gave Xavier a pulsating 35-34 win over 15th ranked Wittenberg-Biramwood. The win was tempered when a major knee injury suffered by a starter in that game Thursday left the shorter Hawks shorthanded two days later in the final against the team that went on to win the State Championship... the same team that Xavier had defeated 40-33 at Kewaunee just 5 weeks earlier. Michaela Machurick, a junior, moved into the 23rd position on the all-time scoring list.
2012-13	24-2	15-1	C	A bid to become the first Xavier team to advance to the WIAA Girls State Basketball Tournament came up one game short, as the Hawks' dream season finished 24-2 with a heartbreaking loss in the WIAA Sectional finals. More than 3,200 spectators packed into the Ashwaubenon High School Fieldhouse to watch two of the top teams in northeast Wisconsin battle for a trip to State. Michaela Machurick concluded an impressive career at Xavier, as she finished 12th on the all-time Xavier Girls Basketball scoring chart with 630 points in her prep career. Along the route to 24 wins in the first 25 games, Xavier often relied on its trademark defensive pressure to earn a share of the Eastern Valley Conference title with a 15-1 record and post a perfect 12-0 home court record. One of the huge W's by the Hawks was a thrilling Sectional semi over rival Fox Valley Lutheran at Kaukauna High School. Xavier's Peyton Ufi, a sophomore who was chosen the Conference Player of the Year, blocked a shot from right underneath the FVL hoop just before the final buzzer, preserving a 29-28 win and sending the Hawks to the Sectional championship. It was the 2nd straight year that Kewaunee defeated XHS in a Sectional final, and the third time Xavier Girls Basketball advanced to a Sectional final in WIAA play. The first was in 2006, when XHS made it for the first time to the WIAA Sectional level in the sport. It was the 4th Sectional appearance for Xavier Girls Basketball in WIAA history, the first was in 2010. Xavier Coach Brian Garvey resigned after the season, ending his two-stint tenure at XHS with the 2nd best winning percentage (.703) of any girls BB coach to date that guided the Hawks' varsity girls basketball team for more than 2 seasons.

◆ Coach Clouthier begins coaching at Xavier -----
 2013-14 19-5 14-2
 Another highly successful season was recorded by Xavier under first-year XHS Coach AC Clouthier, as the Hawks battled through a rugged regular season that included four Division 1 opponents. The tone for 2013-14 was set in the season opener, as the Hawks battled highly-ranked Divine Savior Holy Angels to a 4-point game. XHS rocked the Torchy Clark Gym at Xavier once again, posting a 10-2 mark... giving the Hawks an impressive 76% winning percentage at the X over 38 seasons. Xavier finished in 2nd place in Eastern Valley Conference play, just 2 games from the top spot behind league-unbeaten Fox Valley Lutheran. An unusual home court post-season loss in the WIAA Regional semi-final ended the Hawks' dreams; they were ousted by Pulaski, a team with nearly twice the enrollment as Xavier. XHS was moved up to Division 2 based on an enrollment of just 6 students above the cutoff to stay in D3. Peyton Ufi, a 1st team all-league player for the second straight year, moved into the all-time scoring chart for Xavier Girls Basketball, ending her junior season in 13th place among those elite players.

XAVIER GIRLS BASKETBALL:			
END OF AN ERA – EASTERN VALLEY CONFERENCE			
		CONFERENCE	OVERALL
1	2007-08	..... 3rd place	..... 12 – 6
2	2008-09	..... 4th place	..... 13 – 5
3	2009-10	..... 4th place tie	..... 11 – 7
4	2010-11	..... 2nd place	..... 14 – 2
5	2011-12	..... 3rd place	..... 12 – 4
★	2012-13	..... 1st place tie	..... 15 – 1
7	2013-14 2nd place 14 – 2
8	2014-15 2nd place 13 – 3
		Xavier Girls Totals 104 – 30 .776



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2014-15	24-5	13-3	S	When the final whistle sounded on 2014-15 season of Xavier Girls Basketball, the Hawks completed a special season, one for the history books and one for the memory books. With only 4 seniors on the roster, it also was one to build upon for a bright future, as Xavier strives to add an impressive and already-packed row of trophy cases at the school. XHS went on a huge, late-winter streak without a loss, stringing together 14 straight wins before Xavier came up just short, 49-43, in the WIAA Division 3 State Championship game. In that finale, Xavier battled tough for 31½ minutes of the 32 minutes of scoreboard time... playing valiantly against the state's top-ranked team. The much taller Whitewater Whippets squad – with 3 players 5-foot-10 to 6-foot-2 – finished undefeated at 26-0, as they finally prevailed in the closing half-minute of the final game of 2015.

In the kind of season that all kids dream of and yet only a few realize, the AC Clouthier-coached Hawks added loads of hardware from a fantastic season: a plaque as Regional Champs and Sectional Champs plus a huge, silver ball as State Runner-Up. Clearly, it was a very special ending to a simply special season. It was the first time in tradition-rich Xavier athletic history that boys and girls both played in a State basketball championship in the same school year, and, of course, one week later in Madison the XHS boys duplicated the 2nd place finish at State in the same school year.

Peyton Ufi, a senior guard-forward, helped lead Xavier to a glossy 24-5 record overall, and was rewarded by a prestigious honorable mention spot on the Associated Press All-State team. She finished 4th on the all-time Xavier Girls Basketball scoring list. With 987 points in her phenomenal 4-year career for the Hawks, Ufi was just 13 points shy of 1,000 points in her 4-year career at Xavier; only 3 other girls have previously reached that prestigious mark at XHS in 39 seasons.

The XHS girls made their 1st ever appearance at the State GBB tourney since Xavier joined the WIAA in the 2000-01 school year, and it was the 17th total time at State in XHS Girls B-ball history. The Hawks previously enjoyed 16 trips to the GBB State Tournament in the 24 years of WISAA; Xavier tied for 2nd most State GBB trips in WISAA, behind Milwaukee Pius XI (21 State trips and a national record 9 straight state titles).

There were no classes at Xavier on the morning of Friday the 13th of March when XHS played in State semis in the 40th anniversary of the WIAA Girls State tourney at the facility nearby in the shadows of Lambeau Field. Demand to follow the Hawks post-season run was outstanding, and the Xavier AD had to request extra tickets for EACH game Xavier played in the Resch Center. A fantastic, exhilarating, fun few weeks culminated when Bishop David Ricken of Green Bay spent a few moments courtside with the Hawks after Xavier finished play in the Resch Center in Green Bay. A short time later, the Hawks made the short trek to the packed Menasha Fieldhouse to watch the Xavier Boys in the Sectional final. Upon their arrival, they were warmly greeted by all 3,000+ spectators from both schools watching that game... ironically the same match-up as the Girls Sectional final when the XHS Girls played, and beat, Valders.

The Xavier Girls were 13-1 at home in 2014-15, and they recorded six straight post-season wins because the Hawks ramped up their defense in the 2nd half of the season. Come tourney time, XHS outscored several teams that had more than 20 wins under their belt... after taking 2nd place in the Eastern Valley Conference with a 13-3 record. It was the final season of that conference, due to WIAA-mandated conference realignment to take effect in 2015-16.

The '14-15 XHS Girls team also joined the school record books for the Most Points in a Season with 1,609 points in 29 games, a 55.5 per-game average. Erin Powers and Ufi penciled their name in the Single Season Scoring Leaders in XHS Girls B-ball history: Powers finished 6th with 398 points and Ufi was 7th with 363 points. Powers, a junior, moved into the Top Ten of Xavier Girls Basketball career scoring, and, Ana Loken just missed, by 10 points, of joining the Top 25 all-time scoring for Xavier Girls – as the '14-15 Hawks made their mark among the Blue and White faithful.

2015-16	—	—		With plenty of experience returning, Xavier seeks to have another competitive season under AC Clouthier, pronounced klow-thee-er. The Hawks look to continue the brand of pressure defense and uptempo offense that has annually kept Xavier in contention for the top spot in what is again expected to be a competitive season, but this time in a "new" conference. After 8 years in the Eastern Valley Conference, the Hawks 'moved' to the revised league when the WIAA mandated a major, widespread conference realignment plan for all schools in northeastern Wisconsin to take effect, sending Xavier to the Bay Conference for most sports starting this school year. The new-look Bay, starting in the fall of 2015 includes: Xavier, Green Bay East, Green Bay West, Menasha, New London, Seymour, Shawano, and West De Pere. Waupaca is in the league for football only. Find lots of info on the Xavier Hawks via @XHawksSports on Twitter, on the web at www.XavierHawksSports.com and on Facebook via Xavier Hawks Sports... as Coach Clouthier starts his 3rd season as the Hawks' head coach.
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All girls' records compiled from 1976-77 (when FVCC play began) thru 2012-13, except for WISAA Post Season, which began in 1973-74.
Original data by Peter J. Bates, info from 2008-09 on by Mike Bates.



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BAY CONFERENCE INFO

– Most of the Xavier High School athletic teams will now participate in the revised Bay Conference. Schools in the new-look league, as determined by the WIAA:

	Xavier Hawks	Seymour Thunder
	Green Bay East Red Devils	Shawano Hawks
	Green Bay West Wildcats	Waupaca Comets (football only)
	Menasha Bluejays	West De Pere Phantoms.
	New London Bulldogs	<i>effective in the 2015-16 season</i>