

OTTAWA HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME 2024



1996-97 VARSITY GIRLS TENNIS TEAM

The 1996-97 Girl's Varsity Tennis Team finished as Champions of the Sectional, NCIC Conference, were undefeated in dual meets, and finished in a tie for 12th in the IHSA State Tournament (then a single class event). Five Pirates qualified for the State tournament, each making it through the first day of competition. The Lady Pirates finished the State Tournament with 15 points, Kelli Harris in Singles finished 3 and 2 with 3 points, Christa Hermann and Morgan Veenstra were 3 and 2 for 4 points in Doubles, and Stacey Harris and Kate Campaigne finished at 6 and 2 for 8 points in Doubles, earning all-State recognition, finishing in 9th-12th place, after being defeated in the main draw by the 1-2 Seed from New Trier, and defeating Hinsdale Central, as well as the 5-8 Seed from Barrington. Only two other downstate schools finished in the top 12, Champaign Centennial in a tie for 6th, and Moline, tied with Ottawa for 12th place. The Team Front row L-R: Kelsey Budzowski, Kelli Harris, Morgan Veenstra, Stacey Harris, Abby Kolotka; Back row L-R: Kate Campaigne, Susan Kleinmaier, Angie Fleming, Janine Zeitlin, Christa Hermann; Not pictured: Head Coach Tom Henderson, Assistant Coaches Steve Johnson and Tracey O'Fallon.