



AARON LAUTH
NVHS BOOSTER CLUB FEATURED ATHLETE OF THE WEEK
VOLLEYBALL PROGRAM

The NVHS Athletic Booster Club is proud to present the featured athlete of this week, volleyball player AARON LAUTH. Coach Mendoza chose to feature Aaron because of his hard work and dedication to the sport. He not only wants to get better and improve his game but he also does a great job of helping out the other players on the team with tips and pointers as well. He is just like having another coach on the team. Aaron always has a positive attitude win or lose.

Booster Club Reporter: How did you get interested in playing soccer?

Aaron: I have played almost every other sport growing up: soccer, football, baseball, basketball, you name it. However, after playing football for nine years I decided to try out for volleyball because my older brother, Ryan, had played for Neuqua before me. After my first practice I knew that volleyball was for me. Unlike other sports, I absolutely loved going to practice and everything about the game spoke to me. I love volleyball and play no other sports besides it due to the fact that with both my club and school season, I am playing the sport 11 months out of the year.

Booster Club Reporter: And you never second guessed being committed year long to volleyball?

Aaron: Due to the fact that my club team has such a demanding schedule and it is taken so seriously, I wasn't even sure if I was going to tryout for the Neuqua team this year. The reason I ended up trying out was for my grandpa, and through the continued support of my grandparents, aunt, and parents, I definitely don't regret my decision of joining the team. Also, time management is very important. Without planning and discipline, either your sports or grades will fall behind.

Booster Club Reporter: What is your role in the team?

Aaron: Men's volleyball has a great emphasis on powerful hitting. As the setter, I flash hand signals to my hitters to let them know what play to run. Each hand signal denotes a different route that the hitter has to take to the net to hit the ball. Based off of the position of the block on the opposite side of the net, the pass that my team gives me after the serve, and the speed of my team getting to the net, I then decide where to set to make the best play.

Booster Club Reporter: What has volleyball taught you?

Aaron: How to work with others in a team setting; I am definitely a super intense player, and it means a lot to me that my teammates can be supportive and function in a positive way with me on the court. I don't like to lose, ever, so patience is something I've definitely developed in sports that I can carry on to my adult life. Also, I've learned that every great athlete didn't magically become great. It takes hard work and dedication to become excellent. I learned that if you work hard, you can do anything.

Booster Club Reporter: Where do you go from here?

Aaron: I will be attending Carthage College in Kenosha Wisconsin and I will be double majoring in Public Relations and Marketing with a minor in Political Science if possible. When I grow up I want to be a lawyer and represent USA Volleyball or work in their public relations/marketing department.

Booster Club Reporter: Who inspires you?

Aaron: My dad. He is my role model without a doubt. We're really close and throughout my life I've been able to look up to him as a positive influence and admire how successful he's been.

Booster Club Reporter: Do you have a quote you live by?

Aaron: Philippians 4:13, "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me".