

Off the field with . . .

# Jake Higgins



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Check out the full Q&A interview with Gerstell's Jake Higgins at [www.carrollvarsity.com](http://www.carrollvarsity.com)

### Can you talk about how deep lacrosse runs in your family?

"I played with my older brother [Ben] in high school and now my little brother [Seth]. I really think it's something special. Ever since my brothers and I were kids, we would always play together. Throughout the years, we made each other work to get better."

### You've been team captain for two years. How would you describe your leadership style?

"At Gerstell, we have our principles and attributes. I think the attributes I best represent are do the right thing, example and action. I think a lot of the young guys look up to me. I put in the hard work and I think they see me staying after practice, hitting the weight room and giving it all to the last whistle. They do the same thing, and I can't ask for more from them."

### What is your most memorable lacrosse moment?

"It's definitely playing with my brothers. I cannot be more thankful. I see the very different playing styles each one of us have and it's awesome."

### How special would it be to end your Gerstell career with an MIAA B Conference title?

"A championship would be absolutely amazing for the players, coaches and school. After all for all hard work everybody has put in it would be incredible to make a name for ourselves. I think we are becoming a more athletic school."

### What are your future plans? Are you going to play lacrosse in college?

"I am going to a school with a new Division I program, Cleveland State University. I am going to study mechanical or biomedical engineering. After undergrad, I would like to get my masters in prosthetics and orthotics. That's really what I want to do. I want to help people."

### What other sports did you play?

"Before Gerstell, I played football. I transitioned over to soccer because we don't have football. Soccer helped me become more athletic because there is more running. I really focused on lacrosse and getting bigger and stronger in the weight room."

## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



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Gerstell's Chris Hagan tries for the double play after Winters Mill's Ari Ezra doesn't beat the throw.

# Hagan hitting as Gerstell heads for playoffs

Freshman has eight hits in last nine at-bats

BY PAT STOETZER  
Carroll County Times

Gerstell's baseball team is the No. 2 seed in the upcoming Maryland Interscholastic Athletic Association C Conference playoffs, which begins Tuesday for the Falcons with a home game in Finksburg.

Freshman infielder Chris Hagan's hot bat might be a big key to their potential postseason success.

Hagan, the *Times* Athlete of the Week, has become part of Gerstell's 1-2 combo on offense, pairing with sophomore Reece Early to give the Falcons a strong underclass presence. Hagan has eight hits in his last nine at-bats, with three doubles, one home runs, four RBIs, and six runs scored.

Hagan had four hits and a homer in Gerstell's 7-2 victory Tuesday over Concordia Prep, and he caught while Falcons pitchers Early and Matthew Nowakowski held off the Saints.

Hagan is hitting .433 with 18 RBIs, eight doubles, one triple, and one home run this season.

Gerstell is 15-4 and went 14-2 in conference play to secure a playoff spot. The Falcons will host the Saints Peter & Paul-Indian Creek winner in the semifinals. The MIAA C title game is set for Thursday at St. Paul's.

The Falcons are ranked No. 15 in the latest prepbaseballreport.com ranking for state private schools.

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## Honor Roll

- Lili Izadi, Liberty girls tennis
- Graham Jones, Liberty boys tennis
- Emily Kain, Century softball
- CJ Kovalsky, Gerstell boys lax
- Sarah Pernell, FSU girls track
- Kyle Worsley, SC boys lax

## Standings, statistics Through Wednesday's games

### BOYS LACROSSE

Teams	County		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
x-Westminster	6	0	13	1
South Carroll	5	1	10	5
Manchester Valley	4	2	7	8
Century	3	3	9	6
Winters Mill	2	4	6	9
Liberty	1	5	5	10
Francis Scott Key	0	6	3	10

### SCORING LEADERS

Name	G	A	Pts.
Kyle Worsley (SC)	49	21	70
Riley Larrimore (MV)	49	20	69
Kyle Dizon (SC)	30	39	69
Dan Johnston (MV)	31	29	60
Bubba Love (W)	34	25	59
Mark Conway (L)	30	29	59
Alec Kozlowski (W)	32	23	55
Jeremy Witzler (WM)	32	23	55
Ryan McManus (W)	33	18	51
Sam Crossman (SC)	39	10	49
Jake Griffin (L)	27	17	44
Chase Buckwalter (W)	14	23	37
Allen Thomas (MV)	25	11	36
Conner Covey (W)	30	5	35
Brett Kropinski (C)	8	27	35
Jalen Stanton (C)	18	16	34
Jake MacKenzie (SC)	21	12	33
Patrick Stewart (W)	19	14	33
Carter Truby (C)	23	7	30

### GOALKEEPING LEADERS

Name	Saves	GA	Pct.
Chris Yanchoris (C)	180	83	.684
Johnathon Hulsman (W)	136	72	.654
Mark Porter (WM)	206	131	.611
Francis Scott Key	104	110	.486

### EVAN HOCK SCORING LEADERS

Name	G	A	Pts.
Cam Mullinix	52	65	117
Caroline Frock (W)	54	28	82
Grace Griffin (L)	55	22	77
Lauren Cremen (MV)	47	20	67
Grace Bruce (C)	55	9	64

### SCORING LEADERS

Name	G	A	Pts.
Michaela Connolly (C)	52	65	117
Caroline Frock (W)	54	28	82
Grace Griffin (L)	55	22	77
Lauren Cremen (MV)	47	20	67
Grace Bruce (C)	55	9	64

### BASEBALL

Teams	County		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
x-Century	12	0	16	3
Westminster	9	3	11	6
Liberty	6	6	8	9
South Carroll	5	7	6	11
Manchester Valley	4	8	7	12
Winters Mill	4	8	6	12
Francis Scott Key	2	10	2	13

### GOALKEEPING LEADERS

Name	Saves	GA	Pct.
Kate Brewster (MV)	100	82	.549
Sara Tyssowski (W)	115	103	.528
Christina White (SC)	112	143	.439
Hannah Basso (C)	74	107	.410

### GERSTELL SCORING LEADERS

Name	G	A	Pts.
Jillian Wilson	78	33	111
Georgia Blake	57	47	104
Haley Gochnauer	28	48	76
Katie Pettine	52	6	58

### BATTING AVERAGE LEADERS

Name	AB	H	Avg.
Ethan Kiple (C)	60	31	.517
Reece Early (G)	51	25	.490
Justin Brookhart (L)	51	25	.490
Mike Burke (C)	52	25	.481
Rob Martin (C)	55	26	.473
Mike Burke (L)	38	18	.474
Jake Sell (W)	40	18	.450
Danny Hyman (FSK)	47	21	.447
Chris Hagan (G)	67	29	.433
Josh Kosmicki (W)	51	22	.431
Luke Luckenbaugh (FSK)	55	23	.418
Jordan Price (W)	48	20	.417
Michael Marralle (C)	65	27	.415
Dalton Group (MV)	53	22	.415
Jake Sell (W)	47	19	.404

### RBI LEADERS

Name	AB	H	Avg.
Reece Early (G)	30	14	.467
Michael Marralle (C)	29	13	.448
Ethan Kiple (C)	23	10	.435
Rob Martin (C)	21	9	.429
Chris Hagan (G)	17	7	.412
Paul Hansel (WM)	16	6	.375
Nathanael Hibbs (C)	16	6	.375
Josh Kosmicki (W)	16	6	.375

### DOUBLES LEADERS

Name	AB	H	Avg.
Ethan Kiple (C)	10	5	.500
Justin Brookhart (L)	9	4	.444
Chris Hagan (G)	8	4	.500
Reece Early (G)	7	3	.429
Paul Hansel (WM)	6	3	.500
Nathanael Hibbs (C)	6	3	.500
Dylan Breitenbach (C)	5	3	.600
Danny Hyman (FSK)	5	3	.600

### TRIPLES LEADERS

Name	AB	H	Avg.
Jeremy Lapp (C)	6-0	3-0	.500
Matthew Szedlock (G)	3-0	3-0	.500
Ethan Kiple (C)	5-1	3-1	.429
Billy Scanlon (W)	5-1	3-1	.429
Matthew Nowakowski (G)	3-1	2-1	.400
Justin Cotter (W)	5-2	2-1	.286
Reece Early (G)	5-2	2-1	.286

### ERA LEADERS

Name	IP	ER	ERA
Matthew Nowakowski (G)	33.1	4	0.84
Billy Scanlon (W)	34	5	1.03
Reece Early (G)	35.1	9	1.78
Justin Cotter (W)	38.2	12	2.17

### STRIKEOUT LEADERS

Name	AB	H	Avg.
Reece Early (G)	45	19	.422
Jeremy Lapp (C)	43	18	.419
Paul Hansel (WM)	38	15	.395
Justin Brookhart (L)	32	12	.375

### SOFTBALL

Teams	County		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
x-South Carroll	9	3	12	4
Winters Mill	8	4	12	5
Manchester Valley	8	4	11	7
Liberty	7	5	11	8
Century	5	7	12	8
Westminster	4	8	5	12
Francis Scott Key	1	11	2	12

### BATTING AVERAGE LEADERS

Name	AB	H	Avg.
Olivia Herman (W)	54	28	.519
Taylor Glover (WM)	65	33	.508
Sydni Carroll (SC)	61	30	.492
Lexi Trail (L)	59	28	.475
Brooke Fowlkes (L)	62	28	.452
Sam Amateau (SC)	60	26	.433
Stephanie Barksdale (MV)	37	16	.432
Corinne Corsaro (MV)	37	16	.432
Emily Kain (C)	56	24	.429
Lauren Wiley (WM)	52	22	.423
Kassidy Johnson (MV)	43	18	.419
Bailey Whalen (W)	56	23	.411
Olivia Carmack (C)	57	23	.404
Sam Petela (WM)	60	24	.400

### RBI LEADERS

Name	AB	H	Avg.
Gillian Sinnott (C)	30	14	.467
Brooke Fowlkes (L)	23	10	.435
Olivia Carmack (C)	22	10	.455
Emily Kain (C)	22	10	.455
Sam Amateau (SC)	20	9	.450
Sam Petela (WM)	19	8	.421
Devin Scales (SC)	19	8	.421
Maddie Fawley (WM)	18	7	.389
Ashlyn Weisgerber (L)	17	7	.412

### DOUBLES LEADERS

Name	AB	H	Avg.
Olivia Herman (W)	11	5	.455
Lexi Trail (L)	9	4	.444
Ashlyn Weisgerber (L)	8	4	.500
Taylor Glover (WM)	6	3	.500
Megan Harman (WM)	6	3	.500
Olivia Herman (W)	6	3	.500
Stephanie Barksdale (MV)	5	3	.600
Katlyn Davis (SC)	5	3	.600
Devin Scales (SC)	5	3	.600

### TRIPLES LEADERS

Name	AB	H	Avg.
Brooke Fowlkes (L)	6	3	.500
Olivia Carmack (C)	3	3	.500
Kassidy Johnson (MV)	3	3	.500
Emily Kain (C)	3	3	.500
Chichi Ahuamibe (C)	2	2	.500
Megan Cappadora (MV)	2	2	.500
Maddie Fawley (MV)	2	2	.500
Olivia Herman (W)	2	2	.500
Jordan Nastos (L)	2	2	.500
Samantha Petela (WM)	2	2	.500
April Povlock (MV)	2	2	.500
Devin Scales (SC)	2	2	.500
Gillian Sinnott (C)	2	2	.500

### HOME RUN LEADERS

Name	AB	H	Avg.
Emily Kain (C)	5	5	1.000
Olivia Carmack (C)	4	4	1.000
Olivia Herman (W)	4	4	1.000
Gillian Sinnott (C)	4	4	1.000
Kassidy Johnson (MV)	3	3	1.000
Nicole Barrett (W)	2	2	1.000
Brooke Fowlkes (L)	2	2	1.000
Taylor Glover (WM)	2	2	1.000
Devin Scales (SC)	2	2	1.000

### PITCHING LEADERS

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