

South 24, North 10:

North and South Kickers Make Two All-Star Game Record Field Goals As South Defeats North 24-10 in 51st Annual Minnesota High School Football All-Star Football Game (Game story by Dave Giles, Minnesota All-Star Football Game Historian)

After trailing 10-7 at the half, the South outscored the North 17-0 in the second half to win the 51st Annual Minnesota High School All-Star Football Game 24-10 at U.S. Bank Stadium in Minneapolis.

It was a record setting day for North place kicker Daniel Jackson (Alexandria) and South place kicker Luke Ryerse (East Ridge). Both kickers made All-Star Game record field goals – Jackson hitting a game record 54-yard field goal with 11:53 remaining in the second quarter and Ryerse setting a new game record with a 57-yard field goal as time expired in the fourth quarter. The previous record was 52 yards, set in 2014 by Reid Taubenheim of Farmington. Note: both Jackson and Ryerse will play football at the University of Minnesota. Congratulations to both Daniel Jackson and Luke Ryerse for their memorable performances in this All-Star game.

In the first quarter, a 26-yard punt return by Bo Bokman (Lakeville South) gave the South a short field at the North 37-yard line. Led by quarterback Ganden Gosch (Mankato East), the South drove 37 yards in seven plays with Gosch scoring on a 1-yard quarterback sneak. Luke Ryerse (East Ridge) added the first of his three PATs to give the South a 7-0 lead.

After Daniel Jackson's record setting 54-yard field goal early in the second quarter, the North's next drive was 49 yards in 4 plays, with Morris Area/Chokio-Alberta quarterback Drew Huebner throwing a 29-yard touchdown pass Seth Staloch (Osakis) with 6:48 remaining. Jackson added the PAT for a 10-7 North lead. Daniel Jackson attempted a 62-yard field goal as time expired in the second quarter, but it was not good.

In the third quarter, the North went three and out on their first possession. The South took over at their 25 and promptly drove 75 yards for another score. The touchdown was a 35-yard pass from Ganden Gosch to South Offensive MVP Nolan Ginskey (WR Owatonna). Ryerse added the PAT and the South was now in front 14-10 with 8:39 remaining in the third quarter. That was the only scoring in the third quarter (South 14-10 after three quarters).

In the fourth quarter, the teams traded possessions (two possessions each) with no scoring. With about six minutes remaining, North faced a fourth and 2 at their 33. On fourth down, the South stopped the North for a one-yard loss and took over at the North 32. The South quickly scored in 2 plays, with Ganden Gosch throwing his second touchdown pass of the game, 34 yards to Nolan Ginskey (WR Owatonna, Ginskey's second touchdown catch of the game. Ryerse added the PAT for a 21-10 South lead with 5:29 remaining.

With 1:04 remaining, the South had one final possession at the North 37. After two kneel downs by quarterback Riley Grossman (Lakeville North) put the ball at the North 40, the South took a timeout with 0:02 remaining. Kicker Luke Ryerse came on to the field to attempt a record-breaking 57-yard field goal. Ryerse's kick was good as the game clock expired. A new longest field goal record was set for the second time in the game!

Interceptions in the game: South - Ben Dahlin (Jackson County Central), Brody Miller (Shakopee); North: Josiah Young (Totino-Grace).

The South now leads the all-time North-South series 19-11-1. The South leads the current North-South series (2011-2024) 11-3. The South is now 7-1 in All-Star games played at U.S. Bank Stadium.

Final Score: South 24, North 10

	1	2	3	4	Total
2024 South All Stars	7	0	7	10	24
2024 North All Stars	0	10	0	0	10

SCORING SUMMARY:

1st Quarter

SOU: Ganden Gosch 1 yd Rush (TD) 6-0 3:33

SOU: Luke Ryerse (PAT) 7-0

2nd Quarter

NOR: Daniel Jackson 54 yd (FG) 7-3 11:53 (Game record, previous record was 52 yards in 2014)

NOR: Seth Staloch 29 yd Pass from Drew Huebner (CNV) 7-9 6:48

NOR: Daniel Jackson (PAT) 7-10

3rd Quarter

SOU: Nolan Ginskey 35 yd Pass from Ganden Gosch (CNV) 13-10 8:39

SOU: Luke Ryerse (PAT) 14-10

4th Quarter

SOU: Nolan Ginskey 34 yd Pass from Ganden Gosch (CNV) 20-10 5:29

SOU: Luke Ryerse (PAT) 21-10

SOU: Luke Ryerse 57 yd (FG) 24-10 0:00 (Game record, previous record was 54 yards in Qtr. 2 2024)

Head Coaches:

North – Mike Diggins, Centennial; South – Cullen Nelson, Chanhassen

North Captains: Peyton Podany (QB Anoka), Jacob Wrbanek (LB Maple Grove), Daniel Jackson (PK, P Alexandria), Drew Huebner (QB Morris Area/Chokio-Alberta)

South Captains: Greyson Schneider (DL Stewartville), Brooklyn Evans (RB Eagan), Riley Grossman (QB Lakeville North), Avaugn Dorvil (DL St. Thomas Academy).

2024 Most Valuable Players:

MVP Offense, North	Daniel Jackson Alexandria	PK, P
MVP Offense, South	Noah GinskeyOwatonna	WR
MVP Defense, North	Josiah Young Totino-Grace	DB
MVP Defense, South	Dylan Hudgens Minnetonka	LB