Albert Lea High School
Athletic Hall of Fame
2018 Inductee

Steve Nelson
Class of 1988
Baseball & Hockey

STEVE NELSON graduated from Albert Lea High School in 1988 where he lettered in baseball and hockey. He was the captain of the hockey team his senior year and earned All-Conference honors for his junior and senior seasons. After completing high school, he was drafted by the Junior A North Iowa Huskies of the USHL. In his two seasons with the Huskies, he had fifty-nine goals and forty-one assists and helped his team in winning their A National Championship in 1989. He was also selected to play in the North South All-Star Game. Nelson played four years of Division 1 hockey from 1990-1994 for WCHA's Colorado College Tigers where he was named to the All-Academic team. He played for USA's Team Colorado against Team Canada in the Mexico Festival Exhibition games and helped the Colorado College team win the WCHA league champion McNaughton Cup. After graduating from Colorado College, he moved to Rochester, Minnesota. Steve and his wife Amy have three children who also participate in local hockey. He has been a volunteer with the Rochester, Minnesota Youth Hockey Association the past twenty-two years and is the lead skating and hockey trainer at Olmsted Medical Center-Sports Medicine and Athletic Performance.