



**PINE ISLAND HIGH SCHOOL
ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME**

Shiloh Oelkers

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Shiloh R. Oelkers graduated in 1992 and during her 4 sport career, she established herself as one of the premier athletes to ever come out of Pine Island High School. As a 7th grader there were already some indications of greatness in her athletic prowess, as she ran in some varsity Cross Country meets, played on an undefeated 7th grade Basketball team, and set a record for the shot put for her age group. Over the next 5 years, Shiloh put together some incredible performances that helped her to claim numerous individual titles, but also help the Panthers to many team championships. She earned 12 letters for the Panthers, with 3 in Cross Country, 1 in Volleyball, 3 in Basketball, and 5 in Track.

She was one of the top runners for the Cross Country program, but after taking her Jr. year off in the fall, she displayed her versatility by gaining a starting position on the Volleyball team as a Sr. In the winter she helped the Panthers to be consistently competing for championships. As a center and forward, she was noted for tenacious defense and rebounding, but could also run the floor with her great speed. She earned the Defensive Player of the Year Award twice, is 4th on the all-time rebounding list, earned All-Conference and Academic All-State as a Sr. She also helped lead the team to one of the best records in school history at 20-5 and with a 2nd place in the Sub-Section her final year.

Her Track accomplishments are legendary. She excelled early and often. As an 8th grader she finished 2nd in the Conference and won the District 4A shot put title, with a school record toss of 34' 6 1/2". This record and several others continued to be established by her during her illustrious career. During her career, the Panthers claimed 3 Conference, 5 Sub-Section, and 2 True Team Section titles. As an individual she claimed 18 individual titles in the shot put and discus at the Conference, Sub-Section, and True Team competitions, setting numerous records, and holds the Section all-time record for the shot put at 45' 5 1/2". Her school records still stand in the shot put and discus. While dominating in these two events, she also contended and racked up points for PI in the long jump. She finished as the State runner-up twice in the shot put and 3rd in the discus as a Sr. She was named the KTTC Athlete of the Week and was the Female Athlete of the Year during her senior year. After high school she attended the University of Minnesota, earning 3 letters for the Gophers and specialized in the discus, placing in the Big Ten Championships twice.