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## **Prep All-Stars Told That Grid Lessons Can Apply To Life**

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### **U.P. Tilt In Marquette Tomorrow**

MARQUETTE - Lessons learned in football can be applied to the game of life, a motivational speaker told participants in the U.P. Football All-Star game at a reception here Thursday.

Dave Carl, who wasn't recruited for football college but played for an NAIA national championship team (Wisconsin-LaCrosse), spoke to the 87 football players from across the U.P. who qualified for the All-Star title.

The players were divided into East and West teams and have been training all week. The teams will compete at 3 p.m. today at the Superior Dome in Marquette.

"Look back on the week and look at what a wonderful week it's been," Carl told the players, coaches and family members who attended the reception at the YMCA. "You have a brotherhood here," he added.

Carl said football has taught him values and given him opportunity to do a lot of things.

"Football teaches you about life," he said.

Lessons learned in football that can be carried over to their lives, he added, giving the following examples throughout his speech: responsibility; perseverance; teamwork; unity and belief in one another; adaptability; self-improvement; goal-setting; and friendship.

Carl commended the players for their participation in collecting food for the needy, raising funds for the Beacon House, and working with youth football players this past week.

"You guys are role models and leaders amongst your team and your communities," Carl said. "Give back to the community with your time."

Another word of advice he gave the players was, "You only have one chance to make a first impression."

Each of the players met Carl earlier and had their photograph taken with him.

Looking ahead to today's game, Carl said this will be the last football game for the majority of the All-Star participants. After this, it will be about the game of life, he said.

"Saturday, go give 100 percent on every play and have fun," said Carl.