



2025 Media Award

CAIN CARPENTER



Cain Carpenter is a 2003 graduate of Independence High School in Independence Kansas. He began calling football and basketball games for the IHS Bulldogs in the fall of 2005 while he was still attending Independence Community College. His father, Jeff Carpenter, who had already been calling games for both IHS and ICC as a play by play announcer, got him involved.

Cain began calling games doing color commentary starting with IHS before also calling games for ICC. During that time IHS football was going through a 43 game losing streak. After over four years of consecutive losses in football Cain was fortunate to be able to be a part of calling the game against Fredonia which broke the streak his alma mater was on through that stretch.

In 2013 Cain took over play by play duties for IHS football and basketball games and has remained in the role ever since. Over the subsequent years Cain has been able to call Independence football and basketball games through stretches of success for each team. This includes IHS football with their first playoff win in 2009 and IHS basketball completing a perfect regular season in the 2014-2015 season.

Cain Carpenter is employed by Murfin Media, who has made a commitment to broadcasting high school sports in Independence as well as through the state of Kansas. Currently broadcasting games on Thunder Country 102.9 KBIK-FM out of Independence, Kansas.