



## Athletic Department Update

*September 22, 2025*

### **September 2026 Board Report**

#### **Volleyball Remains Undefeated in District Play**

Our volleyball team continues to play hard, remaining undefeated in district competition. A major highlight came with a hard-fought victory over Lufkin—our first in recent memory. This win also marked Coach Wager's first triumph over Lufkin since their move into our district, making it an especially proud moment for the program.

Looking ahead, the team faces a significant challenge next week against Whitehouse. Coach Wager strategically scheduled a demanding preseason slate to ensure the team would be prepared for the rigors of district and playoff play. Her goal was clear: to win their bracket in each tournament. That goal was met, and next year the team will be adjusting their tournament strategy to compete even more effectively during pool play.

We're proud of the team's progress and look forward to continued success as the season unfolds.

#### **Bobcat Football Update**

Bobcat Football hasn't quite met the high expectations set at the start of the season, facing numerous challenges, especially with injuries. Despite that, the team continues to work hard and strives to make the community proud. They're a tough, hard-nosed team that never backs down.

A bright spot has been their tremendous improvement on the defensive side of the ball. While Friday night varsity games haven't resulted in wins yet, our 7th-grade through JV teams are competing at an impressive level.

Junior high football numbers are strong, and the program is exploring opportunities to field three teams. This is notable, as many area programs can only support A and B teams.

It's a continual work in progress, but the effort and determination remain strong throughout the program.



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### **Bobcat Tennis Update**

The Bobcat Tennis team is currently sitting in second place in district play, with a recent loss to Texas High. However, the big matchup against Tyler High is still ahead, and a win there could create a three-way tie for first place in the district.

As defending district champions, the team is aiming to secure their 15th straight playoff appearance. With strong determination, they're ready to make a deep run this season.

### **Hallsville Cross Country Update**

The Hallsville Cross Country team is gearing up to host their annual Hallsville Invitational this week, followed by the district meet in the coming weeks. They are preparing to make a strong showing at district, with several top-3 team finishes expected and multiple athletes poised to earn individual medals.



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### BOBCAT ATHLETIC CORE VALUES

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#### Family

"Family comes first.

There are two kinds of family in life:

1. The family we're given—our parents, siblings, uncles, aunts, the people who raised us and shaped our roots.
2. The family we choose—our teammates, coaches, and fellow athletes who train, struggle, and grow with us every day.

Both kinds matter. Both give us strength. And together, they make us who we are."



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#### Selfless

"We put the team over the individual.

A team is not just a group of people—it's a commitment. It's everyone coming together, giving their best, and sacrificing personal gain for a greater purpose. The second finger is about we above me.

We choose to set aside our own interests for the good of the team.

Because when the team thrives, we all succeed. That's how we grow. That's how we win. That's what we're about."



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#### Expect to Win

"We expect to win in everything we do.

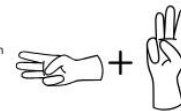
Winning isn't just about the scoreboard—it's about how we prepare. Every lift, every run, every film session—it's all done with purpose.

Preparation creates confidence, and confidence builds expectation.

An expectation is more than hope—it's a belief in your core. It shapes how we carry ourselves in competition.

So when we win, it doesn't surprise us—we've earned it. But we stay humble and gracious.

And if the outcome doesn't go our way, we're still gracious—because our standard never changes."



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#### Discipline

"The difference between three fingers and four is the pinky—the smallest one.

But that small difference matters. Discipline is all about the little things.

It's found in the details—doing what's right, taking care of business, and making good decisions, even when no one's watching.

The smallest actions can have the biggest impact. Just like that pinky, discipline may seem small, but it's what sets us apart."



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#### Toughness

"When all five fingers come together, they form a fist.

It's the toughest part of the hand—strong, unified, unbreakable. Just like us, when we come together.

Toughness is twofold: physical and mental.

In competition, there's always struggle. It's part of the game. What separates us is our ability to push through—together—with discipline, grit, and heart.

Unity makes us strong. Toughness keeps us going."

