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Ladycat Volleyball

Hallsville Ladycats Volleyball – District 10-5A Honors

Hallsville Volleyball celebrated several outstanding accomplishments with the announcement of the District 10-5A postseason awards.

- **Coach Andrew Harbison** was named District 10-5A Coach of the Year in recognition of his leadership and the success of the Ladycats throughout the season.
- **Kaycin Farrell (#25)** was named District 10-5A Most Valuable Player, recognizing her tremendous impact and contributions to the team's success.
- **Kylee Fernandez (#12)** was named District 10-5A Most Valuable Hitter for her outstanding offensive performance.
- **Madi Farrell** (#20) was named District 10-5A Blocker of the Year for her work at the net.
- **Shelby Folmar** (#1), **Tailor Benson** (#7),and **Elizabeth Hale** (#14) were named 1st Team all District for their outstanding play all year.
- **Emersyn Huffman** (#11) was named 2nd team all district for her phenomenal accomplishments throughout the year.
- **Caroline Slaten** (#21), **Harper Hart** (#15), and **Livi Vineyard** (#22) were also recognized as Honorable Mention all District for 10-5A.

These honors reflect the hard work, dedication, and commitment of our student-athletes and coaching staff. Congratulations to Coach Harbison, Kaycin, Kylee, and the entire Ladycat Volleyball program on an outstanding season!

Go Ladycats! 🐾

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🏆 COACH OF THE MONTH WINNERS 🏆

Congratulations to our October Coach of the Month winners!

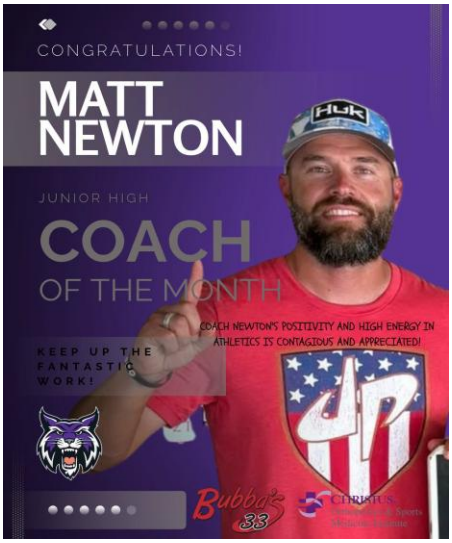
👏 Brandon Hampton — High School

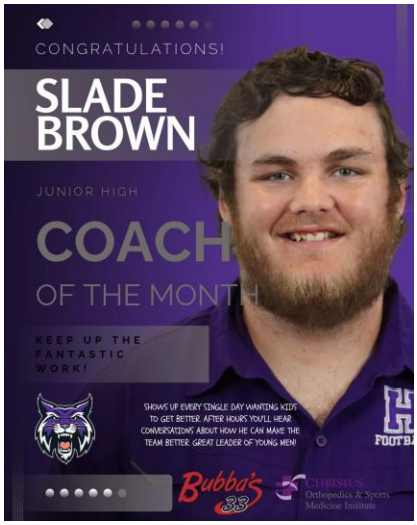
👏 Slade Brown— Junior High

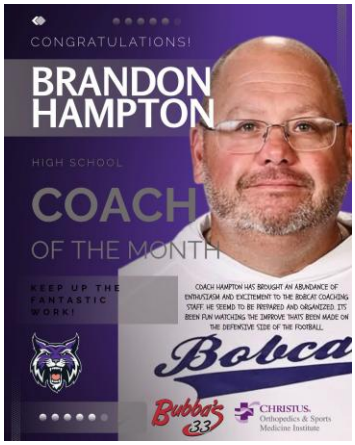
👏Matt Newton - Junior HIgh

All three were recognized by their peers for their hard work, leadership, positive attitude, and dedication to our student-athletes.

We appreciate what you do for Bobcat Athletics! 🐾💜







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Bobcat Football – Playoff Bound!

Bobcat Football entered the final game of the regular season with plenty on the line and several playoff scenarios still in play. The message was simple: win and you're in, but the final outcome could determine whether Hallsville earned the No. 3 seed, No. 4 seed, or missed the playoffs altogether.

Facing a very good Mount Pleasant team, the Bobcats responded with a hard-fought 30-27 victory, finishing district play with a 5-2 record and securing the No. 3 overall seed.

The Bobcats will now travel to Franklin Stadium on Friday, November 13, to take on Dallas Hillcrest in the Bi-District Championship Round.

We are extremely proud of the growth and development of this football team throughout the season. Coach Strickland and his staff have done an outstanding job navigating early-season challenges, staying committed to the process, and continuing to build this team. Their ability to stay the course, develop their players, and bring this group together has been impressive.

The work continues, and we're excited to see what this team can accomplish in the postseason!

One Team. One Family. Go Bobcats! 🐾

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Ladycat Basketball – Season Tip-Off

Ladycat Basketball will kick off its new season by hosting its annual Freshman and JV Basketball Tournament this weekend. The tournament provides an opportunity for our underclassmen to get the season underway, gain valuable game experience, and begin building momentum for the year ahead.

We look forward to welcoming teams and fans to Hallsville as the Ladycats tip off another exciting basketball season!

Go Ladycats! 🐾

Bobcat Basketball – Season Tip-Off

Bobcat Basketball officially tips off its 2026–27 season on Tuesday, November 17! After months of preparation, hard work, and offseason development, our players and coaching staff are ready to get the season underway.

We look forward to seeing our Bobcats compete, continue to grow, and represent Hallsville with pride throughout the season.

Let's Go Bobcats! 🐾

UIL Updates – Future Planning Considerations

Several UIL changes are being discussed or implemented that will have an impact on Hallsville ISD athletics and need to be considered as we plan for future seasons. Two areas of particular importance are basketball shot clocks and the potential addition of girls flag football.

- Basketball Shot Clock: The addition of a shot clock for 5A and 6A basketball is not expected to significantly change the way our teams play the game. However, it will have operational and financial implications for the district. Hallsville will need to plan for the purchase and installation of shot clock systems throughout our basketball facilities, as well as determine staffing needs to operate the clocks during games.

- Girls Flag Football: UIL is looking toward implementing girls flag football as an official sport in the coming years and has established a targeted implementation timeline.

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However, many details are still being worked through. Some of the primary questions we are waiting to have clarified include:

- What time of year will the sport be scheduled?
- How will the playing season fit into the existing UIL athletic calendar?
- What level of participation and interest will exist among schools in our region?
- What staffing, facility, and equipment needs will be required?

Planning Considerations: Both changes will require proactive planning from the district. While the shot clock will create more immediate facility and operational considerations, girls flag football could introduce additional opportunities and resource needs as UIL moves closer to implementation. We will continue monitoring UIL guidance and gather additional information as details become available. These look to be implemented in the ‘28-’29 school year.

Signing Day November 11th, 2026

Hallsville Athletics – Celebrating the Next Level

Hallsville Athletics is proud to celebrate four student-athletes who will officially sign to continue their athletic careers at the collegiate level:

- Dunn Smith – Baseball, University of Texas at Tyler
- Kaycin Farrell – Volleyball, Abilene Christian University
- Miller Goswick – Softball, East Texas Baptist University
- Heidi Hart – Softball, Henderson State University

These student-athletes represent the hard work, dedication, and commitment that define Bobcat Athletics. We are proud of their accomplishments and grateful to the coaches, teammates, families, and supporters who have helped them along the way.

Once a Bobcat, always a Bobcat! Congratulations, and best of luck at the next level!