



INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Executive Summary

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BUILDING CHAMPIONS FOR LIFE!

Mission

We are committed to excellence in athletics as part of a larger Denton ISD Athletic Department commitment to excellence in education.

Vision

We are a highly effective organization serving the ever-evolving needs of the youth of our community.

Values

- Excellence is standard
- Acting with integrity and honor in all situations
- Humility in promoting others before self.

A black and white photograph of a volleyball game in progress. Several players are visible, with one player in the foreground reaching up towards the net. A volleyball is suspended in the air near the net. The background shows a gymnasium setting with a volleyball net and other players.

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT'S ALIGNMENT WITH DENTON ISD BOARD GOALS

Support college, career, military,
and life readiness

Engage students in
extracurricular clubs and
organizations

Advocate for public education
across the state and nation

Develop academic skills and interpersonal
relationships necessary for student success
in college, the workplace and for life





2024-2025 Department Statistics

8

HS District
Champions

11

MS District
Champions

17

Sports Offered at
the Secondary
Level

1

Teacher of the
Year

7

District Coaches of the
Year

8,632

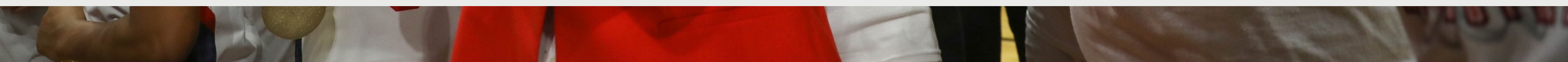
Total Athletes in
Grades 7-12

4

State Champions:
2 Individual/2
Team

28

Total Programs:
(20) HS/(8) MS





2024-2025 Department Statistics

25

1st Team All
State/State
Qualifiers

210

1st Team All
District/Regional
Qualifiers

89

Academic All-
State Recipients

3.75

Cumulative GPA for
Varsity Athletes

1.9 Million

Scholarship Money

835

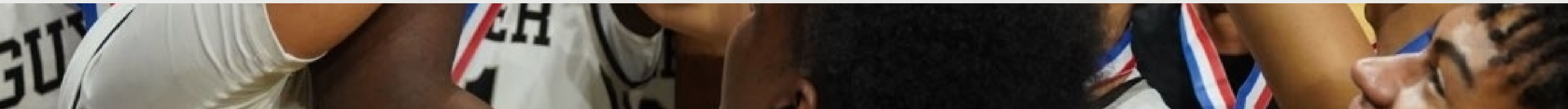
Varsity Scholar
Athletes

97

2nd Team All-
State Recipients

22

Team Programs
Reached the
Postseason



STUDENT-ATHLETE SAFETY, COMPLIANCE, AND SPORTSMANSHIP

Going Beyond “Checking the Box”

Increased Health and Safety Measures

- EAPs—updated, rehearsed, and accessible—so in a moment of crisis, our coaches, trainers, and staff are ready
- Continue to double down on heat protocols, closely monitoring WBGT to make real-time decisions that prioritize hydration breaks, shaded areas, and practice modifications.

Strengthened Accountability Measures

To ensure that every athlete meets eligibility requirements the athletic department has heightened requirements and provided additional training—to include more stringent academic tracking, residency and transfer verification—submitted and verified before play begins.

“The Texas Way”

A statewide initiative that promotes character, respect, and sportsmanship on and off the field—helping our athletes grow not only as competitors but as responsible young adults.



THE COACHING EFFECT SURVEYS

Six Themes Surveyed:

- 1. Connection**
- 2. Structure**
- 3. Skill Development**
- 4. Psych Safety**
- 5. Communication**
- 6. Challenge**

DATA DRIVEN DEVELOPMENT: HOW COACHES WHO
CONNECT WITH STUDENT-ATHLETES IMPACT
ACADEMIC OUTCOMES

WHAT THE DATA SHOWS



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Denton ISD had 43% of coaches with an overall average of 80% or more. Overall average is defined as averaging all 6 themes scores together

DEPARTMENT GOAL: INCREASE THE NUMBER OF COACHES 80% OR HIGHER!

Doing so will directly correlate to the Denton ISD Board Goals in these ways:

Increased
academic
achievement

Provide safe
and
supportive
learning
environments

Build
meaningful
staff-student
relationships

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF DENTON ISD ATHLETICS!

