



DENTON ISD ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT REPORT



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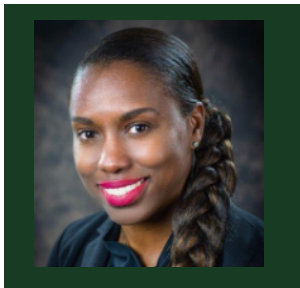
Purpose of Report:

To demonstrate the size and scope of the Denton ISD Athletic Program



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BUILDING CHAMPIONS FOR LIFE!



OUR MISSION:

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



OUR VISION:

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



OUR VALUES:

Excellence

Relentless pursuit of excellence

Integrity

Acting with honor in all situations

Humility

Promoting others before self



DENTON ISD BOARD GOALS

Provide opportunities for students in pursuit of excellence, we will:

- 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

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SECTION 01

2023-2024 SUMMARY



2023-2024 breakdown of of participation, coaches and sports offered.



20 HS
8 MS

TOTAL NUMBER OF PROGRAMS

Total number of programs in Denton ISD is 28 (20 in HS, 8 in MS) with 12 sports at the HS level and 4 in MS



8,844

TOTAL NUMBER OF ATHLETES

The Total Number of Athletes in Denton ISD is 8,844 from grades 7-12.



4,670

TOTAL NUMBER OF MALES

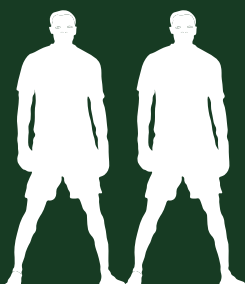
The total number of male athletes in Denton ISD is 4,670 from grades 7-12.



4,174

TOTAL NUMBER OF FEMALES

The total number of female athletes in Denton ISD is 4,174 from grades 7-12.



295

TOTAL NUMBER OF COACHES

The total number of coaches in Denton ISD is 295 for grades 7-12.

HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Sports Offered - High School

Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Baseball, Boys Cross Country, Girls Cross Country, Football, Boys Golf, Girls Golf, Softball, Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, Boys Swimming, Girls Swimming, Boys Tennis, Girls Tennis, Boys Track, Girls Track, Volleyball, Boys Water Polo, Girls Water Polo (20 Sports)

Number of Teacher/Coaches at Each High School Campus

Braswell	47
Denton	47
Guyer	48
Ryan	48



Student Gender Participation

	Males	Females
Braswell	755	351
Denton	528	317
Guyer	749	402
Ryan	690	321
	2,722	1,391



MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Sports Offered - Middle School

Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Boys Cross Country, Girls Cross Country, Football, Boys Track, Girls Track, Volleyball (8 Sports)

Number of Teacher/Coaches at Each Middle School Campus

Cheek	11
Crownover	11
Calhoun	11
McMath	11
Harpool	11
Myers	11
Navo	11
Rodriguez	11
Strickland	11



Student Gender Participation at Each Middle School Campus

	Males	Females
Calhoun	203	181
Cheek	312	186
Crownover	441	261
Harpool	368	303
McMath	220	158
Myers	341	268
Navo	257	217
Rodriguez	210	156
Strickland	340	248
	2692	1978



SECTION 02

ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS



A breakdown of academic and athletic achievements of the 2023-2024 school year

ACADEMIC SUCCESS

Below is a summary of individual academic successes in the classroom earned by our Denton ISD athletes in the 2023-2024 school year. Scholarship money is based on the cost of a four year cost of attendance.

54

Total Scholarships

841

Scholar Athletes

110

Adademic All-State

\$2,332,349

Total Scholarship Money

3.67

The average GPA for all Varsity student-athletes



Money by Campus

Braswell HS

Denton HS

Guyer HS

Ryan HS

Total

\$536,00.00

\$329,257.00

\$1,085,000.00

\$804,092.00

(Data submitted by campus head coaches)

ATHLETIC SUCCESS



2023-2024 Middle School District Champions

Crownover Boys - 7th Grade Track

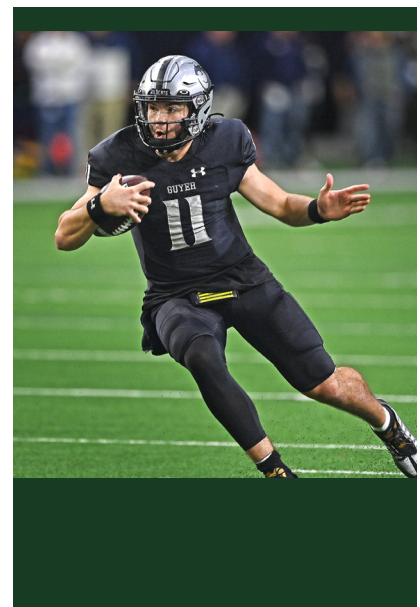
Cheek Girls - 7th Grade Track

Harpool Boys - 8th Grade Football, 8th Grade Cross Country, 8th Grade Track

Harpool Girl - 7th and 8th Grade Volleyball, 7th Grade Basketball, 7th and 8th Grade Cross Country, 8th Grade Track

Navo Boys - 7th Grade Basketball

Rodriguez Boys - 7th Grade Football



195

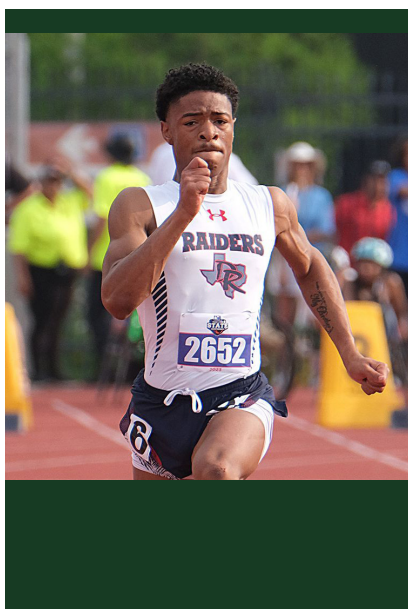
1st Team All-District or Regional Qualifiers

8

1st Team All-State or State Qualifiers

2

State Champions
 Macy Wingard (Braswell) Cross Country
 Kaylin Head (Ryan) 300 Meter Hurdles



2023-2024 High School District Champions

- Braswell Girls Basketball
- Guyer Boys Golf
- Guyer Softball
- Guyer Girls and Boys Water Polo
- Ryan Girls and Boys Track
- Ryan Girls and Boys Basketball

841

District Varsity
Scholar Athletes

110

Academic All-State
Athletes

6

District Coaches of the
Year

SECTION 03

ATHLETE SAFETY



The Denton ISD Athletic Department values the safety and well-being of our student athletes. While all injuries are important and taken seriously, concussions have increasingly become the subject of much research and discussion in the medical field and through sports science. The Denton ISD has been at the forefront in the prevention, diagnosis, treatment and recording of diagnosed concussions.

2023-2024 CONCUSSION DATA

Data on annual concussions tracked by Denton ISD Athletic Department along with Rank One Sport on the tracked number of diagnosed concussions attributed to participation in practice or game while representing our schools since 2014.

DISD Annual Concussion Totals										
School Year	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-2024
Football	6	7	13	19	28	32	23	16	10	12
Baseball	0	1	1	2	3	0	3	1	0	2
Softball	1	1	1	1	2	1	5	3	1	2
Boys Basketball	1	3	2	1	2	3	1	0	2	3
Girls Basketball	0	1	2	4	1	6	3	1	1	2
Boys Track	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Girls Track	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
Boys Soccer	1	0	7	2	6	3	0	1	2	1
Girls Soccer	1	6	7	6	10	3	8	1	2	3
Volleyball	1	4	3	10	10	11	2	4	3	2
Tennis	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Cross Country	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Golf	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Swimming	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Water Polo									1	0
S&C										0
DISD Totals	11	25	39	46	62	59	46	28	23	27



5 YEAR TREND - CONCUSSION DECREASES

Over the last 5 years we have tracked a decline in total concussions due to increased coaches education and training. The Denton ISD has been at the forefront in the prevention, diagnosis, treatment and recording of diagnosed concussions.

CONCUSSION OVERSIGHT TEAM (COT)

The Denton ISD Concussion Oversight Team will consist of:

- Texas Licensed Physician
- Eight Texas Licensed Athletic Trainers (Denton ISD has two certified licensed trainers on each high school campus that will serve on the COT)

The COT will be required to successfully complete required training in the evaluation, treatment, and oversight of concussions every two years. The Denton ISD contracts with Wise Regional Health System and Fit-N-Wise Sports Medicine of Decatur to administer the required two-hour sports concussion training that complies with HB 2038.

Denton ISD Concussion Oversight Team member for 2023-2024:

1	Dr. Mike Auvenshine	(940) 365-9389	Certified Licensed Physician
2	Ronnie Leidner, Ryan HS	(940) 369-3108	Certified LAT
3	Kyanna Volentine, Ryan HS	(940) 369-3108	Certified LAT
4	Harley Gardner, Guyer HS	(940) 369-1107	Certified LAT
5	Will Rath, Guyer HS	(940) 369-1107	Certified LAT
6	Renatta DeLello, Denton HS	(940) 369-1123	Certified LAT
7	Chase Peterson, Denton HS	(940) 369-2191	Certified LAT
8	Brittany Cortez, Braswell HS	(972) 347-7740	Certified LAT
9	Brittany Barefield, Braswell HS	(972) 347-7740	Certified LAT

**The Denton ISD Athletic Department looks to the University Interscholastic League for further documentation and resources in the evaluation, treatment, and oversight of concussions. More information can be found at www.housebill2038.*

Denton ISD Concussion Symptoms Defined

Regarding Implementation of H.B. 2038, Natasha's Law, Texas Education Code, Chapter 38, Subchapter D, Prevention, Treatment, and Oversight of Concussions Affecting Student Athletes

When is the student athlete removed from activity if a concussion is suspected?

A student athlete shall be removed from a practice or competition immediately if a coach, a physician, a licensed health care professional, or the student's parent or guardian or another person who has authority to make legal decision for the student believes the student athlete might have sustained a concussion. Coach means the coach of the student's team. Coaches are encouraged to use the utmost caution regarding a suspected concussion, including calling the student athlete over to the sideline so that the coach can form a belief that the student may have suffered a concussion. The act of calling a player over to the sideline does not by itself constitute a belief that the student athlete might have sustained a concussion.

Recognition and Management

If an athlete exhibits any signs, symptoms, or behaviors that make you suspicious that he or she may have had a concussion, that athlete must be removed from all physical activity, including sports and recreation. Continuing to participate in physical activity after a concussion can lead to worsening concussion symptoms, increased risk for further injury, and even death. Parents and coaches are not expected to be able to "diagnose" a concussion. That is the role of an appropriate health-care professional. However, everyone involved in athletics must be aware of the signs, symptoms and behaviors associated with a concussion. If you suspect that an athlete may have a concussion, then he or she must be immediately removed from all physical activity.

Signs Observed by Coaching Staff

Appears dazed or stunned, is confused about assignment or position, forgets an instruction, is unsure of game, score or opponent, moves clumsily, Answers questions slowly, loses consciousness (even briefly) Shows mood, behavior or personality changes, can't recall events prior to hit or fall, can't recall events after hit or fall

Symptoms Reported by Athlete

Headaches or "pressure" in head, Nausea or vomiting, Balance problems or dizziness, Double or blurry vision, Sensitivity to light, Sensitivity to noise, feeling sluggish, hazy, foggy or groggy, Concentration or memory problems, Confusion, does not "feel right" or is "feeling down"

When in Doubt, Sit them Out!

Denton ISD Concussion Return to Play Protocol

Return to Play After suffering a concussion, no athlete should return to play or practice on that same day. In the past, athletes could return to play if their symptoms resolved within 15 minutes of the injury. Studies have shown us that the young brain does not recover quickly enough for an athlete to return to activity in such a brief time. An athlete should never be allowed to resume physical activity following a concussion until he or she is symptom free or given the approval to resume physical activity by an appropriate health-care professional. Once an athlete no longer has signs, symptoms, or behaviors of a concussion or is cleared to return to activity by an appropriate health-care professional, he or she should proceed in a step-wise fashion to allow the brain to re-adjust to exercise. In most cases, the athlete will progress one step each day.

The return to activity program schedule may proceed as below, following medical clearance:

Progressive Physical Activity Program (ideally under supervision)

Step 1: Light aerobic exercise- 5 to 10 minutes on an exercise bike or light jog; no weightlifting, resistance training, or any other exercises.

Step 2: Moderate aerobic exercise- 15 to 20 minutes of running at moderate intensity in the gym or on the field without a helmet or other equipment.

Step 3: Non-contact training drills in full uniform. May begin weightlifting, resistance training and other exercises.

Step 4: Full contact practice or training.

Step 5: Full game play. If symptoms of a concussion reoccur, or if concussion signs and/or behaviors are observed at any time during the return-to-activity program, the athlete must discontinue all activity and be re-evaluated by his or her health-care provider.

Concussion Management

1. No athlete should return to play (RTP) or practice on the same day of a concussion.
2. Any athlete suspected of having a concussion should be evaluated by an appropriate health-care professional that day.
3. Any athlete with a concussion should be medically cleared by an appropriate health-care professional prior to resuming participation in any practice or competition.
4. After medical clearance, RTP should follow a step-wise protocol with provisions for delayed RTP based upon return of any signs or symptoms.

*Denton ISD requires that the UIL Return to Play Form be signed, completed and on file before the athlete returns to play.

*Neurocognitive testing, such as ImpACT (Immediate Post-Concussion Assessment and Cognitive Testing), has become widely accepted as a standard of care following a sports-related concussion. Denton ISD has implemented the ImpACT program for all Denton ISD High School student-athletes participating in UIL football, Volleyball, Basketball, Soccer, Baseball, and Softball practices and contests. Denton ISD will be utilizing pre-season baseline testing and post-injury

Denton ISD/UII Concussion Management Forms

- UII Concussion Acknowledgement Form
- Denton ISD Physicians Concussion Management Form
- UII Acknowledgement Form

*The athletic trainer assigned to each high school in conjunction with the head coach of the sport involved in the concussion are responsible to keep accurate and up to date records for the above mentioned (3) forms.

Denton ISD – Concussion Records and Tracking

- The Denton ISD has contracted with RankOneSport for athlete management software
- Concussions will only be recorded in RankOneSport after a certified licensed physician has concluded the athlete did sustain a concussion because of contact associated with Denton ISD contests or practice.
- The Director of Athletics shall receive a report from the Denton ISD trainers annually detailing the number of concussions diagnosed by certified license physicians. This report is due by June 30 of each year.

Liability Provision

1. Waive any immunity from the liability of a school district or open-enrollment charter school or of district or charter school officer or employees
2. Create any liability for a cause of action against a school district or open-enrollment charter school or against district or charter school officer or employees
3. Waive any immunity from liability under Section 74.151, Civil Practice and Remedies Code
4. Create any cause of action or liability for a member of a concussion oversight team arising from the injury or death of a student participating in an interscholastic athletics practice or competition, based on service or participation on the concussion oversight team.

