



Navarro ISD

Board Report

Athletics

January 2025

As we kick off this month in Navarro Athletics, it's an exciting and busy time with multiple sports in full swing. From district play heating up on the court and field to upcoming tournaments and key matchups, our athletes are showcasing their hard work and dedication. A few sports are also beginning their seasons this month, adding to the energy and excitement around Navarro Athletics

Boys Basketball

The Navarro Boys Basketball team holds an 8-12 overall record and is 0-1 in district play, but they've gained momentum by winning 6 of their last 8 games. Highlighting their progress, the team secured victory in the Nixon-Smilely Holiday Tournament. This week, they face district matchups against Canyon Lake and Bandera. The junior programs are also thriving, showing competitive spirit and growth at every level.

Girls Basketball

The Navarro Lady Panthers hold a strong 19-9 overall record and are 1-2 in district play. Key matchups against Canyon Lake and Bandera this week will close out the first round of district competition. The Lady Panthers opened up district with an exciting win against Wimberley, and battled with tough opponents, Davenport and Fredericksburg, but came up short.

Our sub-varsity team has been competing up against tough competition all season long and making improvement with each game. Their current record is 3-12 with a district record of 0-3.

Softball

The Navarro Softball season officially began on January 10th with tryouts initially scheduled for January 10 and 11. Due to inclement weather, Saturday tryouts were canceled and extended to Monday. A total of 29 athletes participated in tryouts (excluding basketball players): 13 freshmen, 9 sophomores, 6 juniors, and 1 senior. Of these, 6 are returning varsity players and 4 are returning JV players. Impressively, all eligible players from last season returned to the program this year.

Once the 9 basketball athletes join the roster (3 seniors, 1 junior, 2 sophomores, and 3 freshmen), both teams will be complete, with 14 players on varsity and 14 on JV, for a program total of 28 athletes.

Currently, JV practices run from 4:30-5:30 p.m., and varsity practices from 5:30-7:00 p.m. The parent meeting, originally planned for January 15, has been rescheduled to the following Wednesday to accommodate a community meeting. The first scrimmage is set for January 28, kicking off a two-week scrimmage schedule.



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The Navarro Panthers baseball season is gearing up to start on January 17th, with 45 student-athletes signed up for tryouts. The program expects to field three teams this season: Varsity (15 players), JV Purple (14 players), and JV Gold (16 players). The first scrimmage is scheduled for February 2nd against San Antonio Jefferson.

Soccer

The soccer program currently has rosters of 26 girls, and 23 boys. The boys played their first away match last Tuesday against Long Creek High School, and it was a success to get their first match in the books. Their result was not favorable on the scoreboard, but they responded positively to the adversity and understood about the reality and difficulties of starting a first year program. We believe that they will grow from this, and we saw distinct positives in their performance that we can use to grow on.

The girls have been training hard, and have seen much improvement. They do not have as much experience in the sport of soccer as the boys, but they have proven to be very coachable and fast learners. We are glad they have had more time to prepare for their first match, and believe they are finally ready to test themselves against another team. Both squads will kick off their first home games here at Navarro on Wednesday evening against Canyon Lake High, and we look forward to seeing how the girls respond to their first challenge on the field. Additionally, we want to see how well the boys bounce back and improve from their first outing. We believe the boys are much more prepared for this match, and are going into the fight with a greater understanding of the challenges they face.

Coaches keep reminding both squads that regardless of the outcomes of these early matches, they have already accomplished a great deal and can find success in getting this program off the ground. They are the pioneers of Navarro Soccer and everyone will always look back and remember about the brave group that took on the challenge of starting this program.

Golf

The Navarro Golf team is off to an exciting start, with 55 athletes attending tryouts before winter break. The team, now consisting of 36 dedicated golfers—9 freshmen, 9 sophomores, 13 juniors, and 5 seniors—began practice on January 13th. They're gearing up for their first tournaments at the Devine Invitational on January 27th and 29th.



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Track and Field

Track season is officially underway at Navarro. Practice began on January 8th with 40 dedicated athletes braving the cold weather. While Thursday's practice was canceled due to inclement conditions, the team hit the ground running on January 13th for their first full week of training. With 40-45 athletes consistently attending, including 25 boys and 20 girls, the team is off to a strong start.

Tennis

Navarro Tennis has officially kicked off the season, and we're thrilled to see several enthusiastic athletes ready to make their mark this spring. We have 32 athletes who have come out for the Tennis team. The team has been working hard and is looking forward to their first competitive matches. The spring season will begin with the Beeville Invitational on January 27th and 30th.

Powerlifting

The Navarro Powerlifting program was in action January 11, 2025 to kick off the season at the Pieper Invitational. The Powerlifting team had a great showing for the first meet of the season. We are extremely proud of our athletes and how they competed against very stout competition. Our girls placed 2nd out of 17 teams. Our boys placed 6th out of 17 teams!

Notable awards:

- 1st place: Addison Deets, Camryn Magana
- 2nd place: Sloan Wacaster, Korbin Benes, Connor Shiroky, Mason Harvey
- 3rd place: Ayden Chapa, Kayley Thomas
- 4th place: Ella Garnand, Nick Aranda, Dylan Trotti
- 5th place: Addison Santone

They are back in action this Saturday, January 18, 2025, at East Central.

Cheer

The Navarro Cheer Squad will be competing in the UIL Spirit State Championship on Friday in Fort Worth, Texas. The girls have been working very hard and diligently to prepare to compete at this competition.

Navarro Athletics continues to shine as our student-athletes showcase dedication, talent, and teamwork across all sports. With seasons in full swing and others just beginning, the excitement is contagious. We're proud of their efforts and look forward to continued success both on and off the field.