

“Together We Can!”

Midlothian ISD Athletic Department

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From the desk of the AD, Steve Keasler

Good things happen to those who wait:

I am very pleased to announce Lee Wiginton as our new Head Football Coach for the Midlothian Panthers. Lee brings great experience and a proven plan that will enhance our football programs from grades 7th - 12th. He has won over 75 football games and competed in 18 playoff games as a head coach. His vision parallels my own of what our Athletic Program is working toward. You can learn more about Coach Wiginton in our “Get to Know Your Coach” column on page 3.

Realignment:

UIL announced earlier this week that we have moved up to Conference 5A. I am very excited about giving our athletes the opportunity to be staged against some of the top programs in the area and the State of Texas. Our coaches are ready for the challenge and excited to compete at another level.

Winter Sports:

Boys and Girls HS Basketball have made great improvements from last year. Coach Hartson and the boys have put themselves in position to win a District Championship. With the addition of Coach Walthall, the girls have made a tremendous improvement from last year.

Coach Fagan’s Wrestling team will be competing at the District Meet this weekend. The coaches are looking forward to advancing several wrestlers to the Regional Meet.

Soccer is beginning their district schedule and Coach Guest and his staff are working hard to bring home another District Championship for both boys and girls.

Powerlifting has increased their participation numbers and they are preparing for district mid-February. Coach Rye and Coach Slovacek feel good about advancing a number of student-athletes to the Regional and State Meets.

Spring Sports:

Softball, Baseball, Tennis, Golf as well as Track & Field are gearing up for their season. Weather has been a challenge, but our coaches are working together to find space to workout and practice. I look forward to watching our Spring events.

Lastly, I want to thank our coaches, my office staff and my family for their support and dedication over these last couple of months. I couldn’t have made it through without their patience and understanding. I feel lucky to be surrounded by such great people.

Go Panthers, Cubs and Wildcats!

Steve Keasler
MISD Director of Athletics



MHS Student-Athletes going to the next level!



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Fun Facts in Athletics

Midlothian is now a 5A School District

On Monday, February 1, 2010 the University Interscholastic League announced its district alignments for the 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 school years. The UIL governs most secondary extracurricular activities in Texas and assigns classifications to schools based on the high school enrollment. During the October snapshot date, Midlothian High School had 2,215 students. The cut-off to be considered a 5A school district is 2,065+ students.

Midlothian schools will be in District 5-5A.

A look at the new district:

- Cedar Hill
- Duncanville
- Grand Prairie
- Mansfield High
- Mansfield Legacy
- Mansfield Timberview
- Midlothian
- South Grand Prairie

To see the UIL's complete alignment, visit the University Interscholastic League website www.uil.utexas.edu.

-Jana Hathorne, MISD Public Relations Coordinator

National Signing Day



**Tori Adame
Houston Baptist**

Tori is a speedy forward and midfield player for the MHS Soccer team. Her tireless work ethic has helped her spark the Lady Panther offense since her arrival as a junior.



**Callie Bishop
University of Central
Arkansas**

Callie is a quick and dynamic attacking player for the MHS Soccer team. Callie is a four-year varsity Lady Panther who contributes as both a midfielder and forward.



**Alex Furr
Arkansas State University**

Alex is a four-year letterman and varsity starter for the MHS Soccer team. She has played all over the field for the Lady Panthers leading them to three district championships.



**Eddie Johnson
Baylor University**

Eddie Johnson has been playing Wide Receiver for the Panthers for three seasons. He is currently ranked as one of the top ten wide receivers in the state of Texas.



**Lindsey Sisco
Middle Tennessee
University**

Lindsey is a four-year varsity goalkeeper for the MHS Soccer team. She has been the anchor of a stingy Lady Panther defense.



**Tess Voisard
University of Louisiana
Lafayette**

Tess is another four-year varsity starter who is a constant scoring threat. She has a dynamic and athletic attacking presence for the Lady Panthers.

February Birthdays

- Cody Fagan – February 8
- Audrie Bowers – February 11
- Sandy Fish – February 11
- Austin Guest – February 21

Happy Birthday to our Coaches!

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The Wiginton Family – Becky, Julia, Haydon and Lee

Get to know Coach Lee Wiginton

○ MHS Head Football Coach

Coach Lee Wiginton has been around coaching his entire life. He grew up on the sidelines watching his father, Ken, and knew that is what he wanted to do. He has been coaching for 17 years, and joins the Panthers as the new Head Football coach for Midlothian ISD. Coach Wiginton has a passion for kids and coaching, and Athletic Director, Steve Keasler states, "Lee Wiginton will be a great asset to our kids, staff and community. He is extremely enthusiastic and excited to be a part of Midlothian ISD. Lee is a perfect fit for our current situation here in Midlothian and will have a positive impact on the football program in grades 7-12."

Coach Wiginton describes himself as being organized, competitive, and passionate. Coach Greg Davis, Offensive Coordinator from the University of Texas, could not be more excited for Midlothian and says Lee is, "Very classy, has great integrity, and a passion for football." Coach Wiginton wants to teach his student-athletes about character, competition and self-image. He is thrilled to be moving to Midlothian and excited about getting involved in the community.

Coach Wiginton and his wife, Becky have been married for 11 years, and have two children, Haydon (7) and Julia (3). Outside of coaching he enjoys spending time with his family and loves playing Star Wars on the Wii with his son.

Lee's favorites include: Candy – Snickers... Music – Christian... Food – Chinese... Book – Harry Potter... Subject in School – Math... Favorite Quote – "It's not the size of the dog in the fight, it's the size of the fight in the dog." –Mark Twain

Coach Wiginton's Philosophy

Motivation:

"The single greatest key to motivation is showing constant compassion to all student-athletes."

"Strive for Perfection!"

"I have coached in College, 5A, 4A, 3A, 2A and 1A. One thing that I have come to notice is that athletics is athletics at any classification and at any level."

Athletes of the Month

Midlothian High School

Kylee Pendery is a senior student-athlete at Midlothian High School. She excels both in the classroom and on the soccer field. Kylee has been contributing to the success of the Lady Panther soccer team since her freshman season. She has been a member of three district championship teams, and this spring, looks to add number four. Head Coach, Austin Guest, says, "Kylee's high energy play and enthusiastic leadership provide a spark to the right side of the Lady Panther midfield." Kylee is also very creative, and has designed numerous t-shirts for tournaments hosted by MHS Soccer and next fall, she will take her artistic talents to the University of Texas in Austin.



Senior Eric Haston will be competing in his third year as a varsity Panther for the Soccer Team. He is a constant scoring threat with his pace and determination to go to the goal. Eric earned first team all-district honors last season for the Panthers, and is currently being recruited by several schools to continue playing at the next level. Coach Austin Guest, describes Eric as, "Player with a ton of ability, who is really just starting to scratch the surface." Eric has contributed to two district championships in his time at MHS and scored the lone goal in overtime last year to push the Panthers past Aledo in the regional quarterfinal game.

Frank Seale Middle School

Mackenzie Hunt is an 8th grader at Frank Seale Middle School. She is actively involved in volleyball, basketball, track, FCA and stage production. Girls Coordinator, Jaime Clark, states, "Mackenzie is a very hard worker and one of the top athletes in our 8th grade class. She is a great leader and has an awesome attitude." The entire FSMS girls' coaching staff respects and admires how hard Mackenzie works everyday.



Tanner Foy is currently playing on the 7th grade "A" basketball team for the Frank Seale Middle School Cubs. He plays hard every minute he is on the floor, and works very hard in practice. Head Coach, Ryan Cavazos says, "Tanner leads by example." He is a great asset both on the court and in the classroom for the Cubs.

Walnut Grove Middle School

Dani Mayfield is an 8th grader at Walnut Grove Middle School. She is on the "A" team for both volleyball and basketball. Dani also participates in the Honor Band, and is first chair for French Horn. She recently participated in the WGMS spelling bee and won the entire competition! Girls Coordinator, Audrie Bowers, says, "Dani is a great leader and a hard worker both in the classroom and on the court. She is a great kid and we love having her at Walnut Grove."

Tariq Mustafaa is also an 8th grader at Walnut Grove Middle School. He had an outstanding month on the basketball court and led the Wildcat team in scoring. His best game came in the semi-final round of the Midlothian "A" tournament, where he helped advance the Cats to the championship game by scoring 23 points. Head Coach, Danny Harrison, states, "Tariq is a great asset to the team, he has a great work ethic and attitude." He was also the starting tailback for the 8th grade football team. Tariq exemplifies what it means to be a Wildcat, he is a true leader on the court and throughout the school.



February 2010



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1 MHS Varsity & JV Girls @ Plano East - Kimbrough Stadium</p> <p>FSMS 7th Girls @ Mansfield Coble - 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>FSMS 7th Boys vs. Mansfield Coble @ 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>WGMS 7th Girls vs. Mansfield Jones @ 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>WGMS 7th Boys @ Mansfield Jones - 5:30 & 7 pm</p>	<p>2 MHS Girls/Boys Basketball vs. Corsicana @ 5: 6:30 & 8pm</p> <p>MHS Varsity & JV Boys @ North Dallas - Franklin Stadium</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 MHS Varsity Boys & Girls Powerlifting @ Dual Meet - Midolthian</p> <p>MHS JV Tennis @ Emis JV Elite Tourney</p> <p>MHS Girls JV2 Soccer vs. Life School @ MISD</p> <p>FSMS 8th Girls vs. Mansfield Coble @ 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>FSMS 8th Boys @ Mansfield Coble - 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>WGMS 8th Girls @ Mansfield Jones - 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>WGMS 8th Boys vs. Mansfield Jones @ 5:30 & 7 pm</p>	<p>5 MHS Girls/Boys Basketball @ Waco Midway vs. 5: 6:30 & 8pm</p> <p>MHS Varsity Soccer vs. Kennedale @ MISD Stadium</p> <p>MHS Wrestling @ Coppell - District</p> <p>MHS Varsity Tennis @ Duncanville Grand Slam</p>	<p>6 MHS JV2 Soccer @ Kennedale, JV1 Soccer @ Keller Timbercreek</p>	
<p>7</p>	<p>8 MHS Girls JV2 Soccer vs. Midway @ MISD Stadium</p> <p>FSMS 7th Girls vs. Mansfield Jobe @ 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>FSMS 7th Boys @ Mansfield Jobe - 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>WGMS 7th Girls @ Cedar Hill Coleman - 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>WGMS 7th Boys vs. Cedar Hill Coleman @ 5:30 & 7 pm</p>	<p>9 MHS Girls/Boys Basketball vs. Waco University @ 5: 6:30 & 8pm</p> <p>MHS Varsity Soccer vs. Arlington Sequin @ MISD Stadium</p> <p>MHS JV Tennis @ Duncanville Slam</p>	<p>10 MHS Girls Freshman Golf @ Town East Par 3 - Rowlett</p>	<p>11 MHS JV1 Soccer vs. Arlington Sequin @ MISD Stadium, JV2 @ Mansfield Legacy</p> <p>FSMS 8th Girls @ Mansfield Jobe - 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>FSMS 8th Boys vs. Mansfield Jobe @ 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>WGMS 8th Girls vs. Cedar Hill Coleman @ 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>WGMS 8th Boys @ Cedar Hill Coleman - 5:30 & 7 pm</p>	<p>12 MHS Boys Basketball vs. Emis @ 5, 6:30 & 8pm</p> <p>MHS Varsity Soccer vs. Mansfield Legacy @ MISD Stadium</p> <p>MHS Wrestling @ Arlington Martin - Regional Meet (Feb. 12-13)</p> <p>MHS Girls Varsity Powerlifting @ Cedar Hill Invitational</p> <p>MHS Boys Varsity Golf @ Split Rail Golf Course</p> <p>MHS Varsity Tennis @ Valentines Tourney, Arlington Martin</p>	<p>13 MHS Wrestling @ Arlington Martin - Regional (Feb. 12-13)</p> <p>MHS Varsity Boys Powerlifting @ Cedar Hill Invitational</p> <p>MHS Girls -JV2 @ Waco Midway, JV1 @ Mansfield Legacy</p>
<p>14</p>	<p>15 MHS JV2 Soccer vs. Faith Family Academy @ MISD Stadium</p>	<p>16 MHS Boys Basketball @ Waco High</p> <p>MHS Varsity Soccer @ Mans. Timberview</p> <p>MHS Softball vs. Forney @ 5 & 6:30</p> <p>MHS Tennis vs. Grobeck @ Corsicana</p> <p>FSMS 7th Girls @ Mansfield Worley - 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>FSMS 7th Boys vs. Mansfield Worley @ 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>WGMS 7th Girls vs. Cedar Hill Coble @ 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>WGMS 7th Boys @ Cedar Hill Coble - 5:30 & 7 pm</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18 MHS Softball - Varsity @ Mansfield Tourney & JV @ Waxahatchie tourney - Feb. 18-20</p> <p>MHS JV1 Soccer @ Mans. Timberview</p> <p>FSMS 8th Girls vs. Mansfield Worley @ 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>FSMS 8th Boys @ Mansfield Worley - 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>WGMS 8th Girls @ Mansfield Coble - 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>WGMS 8th Boys vs. Mansfield Coble @ 5:30 & 7 pm</p>	<p>19 MHS Softball - Varsity @ Mansfield Tourney & JV @ Waxahatchie Tourney - Feb. 18-20</p> <p>MHS Varsity Soccer vs. Everman @ MISD Stadium</p> <p>MHS Boys & Girls Varsity Golf @ Tierra Verde Golf Course</p>	<p>20 MHS Wrestling @ Arlington Bowie - JV State</p> <p>MHS Varsity Boys & Girls Powerlifting @ Burleson Championships</p> <p>MHS Softball - Varsity @ Mansfield Tourney & JV @ Waxahatchie Tourney - Feb. 18-20</p> <p>MHS Boys & Girls Varsity Golf @ Tangle Ridge Golf Course</p> <p>MHS JV2 Soccer @ Everman, JV1 @ Waxahatchie</p> <p>FSMS & WGMS Tennis @ Richard Tourney</p>
<p>21</p>	<p>22 MHS Freshman & JV Baseball vs. Arlington Sequin @ 4:30 & 6:30 pm</p> <p>MHS Varsity Baseball @ Arlington Sequin - 6:30 pm</p> <p>MHS Girls JV1 Soccer vs. Red Oak, Boys JV1 vs. Life School @ MISD Stadium</p> <p>MHS Boys Varsity Golf @ Waxahatchie Country Club, Girls Varsity Golf @ Walnut Creek Country Club</p> <p>FSMS 7th Girls vs. WGMS 7th Girls @ Walnut Grove - 5:30 & 7 pm</p> <p>FSMS 7th Boys vs. WGMS 7th Boys @ Frank Seale - 5:30 & 7 pm</p>	<p>23 MHS Softball @ Denton Ryan - 5 & 6:30</p> <p>MHS Varsity Soccer @ Kennedale</p> <p>MHS JV Tennis @ Legacy Invitational</p> <p>FSMS 8th Girls vs. WGMS 8th Girls @ Frank Seale - 5:30 & 7 pm</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25 MHS Softball @ Southlake Varsity Tourney Feb. 25-27</p> <p>MHS Freshman Baseball @ Emis Tourney, JV @ Waxahatchie Tourney, Varsity @ Ade Tourney - Feb. 25-27</p> <p>MHS Girls Freshman Golf @ Indian Oaks Golf Course, Estabrook</p> <p>MHS JV2 Soccer vs. Kennedale @ MISD</p> <p>FSMS 8th Boys vs. WGMS 8th Boys @ Walnut Grove - 5:30 & 7 pm</p>	<p>26 MHS Wrestling @ State Meet - Austin (Feb. 26-27)</p> <p>MHS Softball @ Southlake Varsity Tourney Feb. 25-27</p> <p>MHS Varsity Soccer @ Arlington Sequin</p> <p>MHS Varsity Tennis @ Corsicana</p> <p>MHS Freshman Baseball @ Emis Tourney, JV @ Waxahatchie Tourney, Varsity @ Ade Tourney - Feb. 25-27</p>	<p>27 MHS Wrestling @ State Meet - Austin (Feb. 26-27)</p> <p>MHS Varsity Girls Powerlifting @ Regional Championships - Forney</p> <p>MHS Softball @ Southlake Varsity Tourney Feb. 25-27</p> <p>MHS Freshman Baseball @ Emis Tourney, JV @ Waxahatchie Tourney, Varsity @ Ade Tourney - Feb. 25-27</p> <p>MHS Track @ Mansfield Legacy Relays</p>
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