

COACH SPEAK



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER TO PARENTS AND BOOSTERS

January/ February 2014

MISSION: Bixby Spartan Football will be respected as the very best program in 6A at developing young men.

Dear Spartan Faithful,

It is great to look out the window and see the beautiful sun shining! Although the winter weather this year may be dreary, the attitude among our Spartans is anything but! Our new Spartan training facility is up and running, and our athletes are getting stronger each day.

The majority of our second sport athletes have enrolled in Coach Whitmer's Strength and Conditioning class during 1st, 2nd, 5th, or 6th hours and continue to make great gains in strength and flexibility even during their second sports!

Our wrestlers will be battling for a top 4 slot next week at the 6A regional here in Bixby. The top four placers get a coveted bracket spot at the state wrestling tournament. We encourage everyone to come out to cheer them on. The Regional Tournament is the most competitive tournament of the year.

Our baseball players will kick off the 2014 season by hosting scrimmages next week. Please make sure to wish Coach Nichol and his talented group the best for the 2014 season!

February 5th was National Signing Day, the first day football athletes are allowed to ink their National Letters of Intent. To this point we have had three (Continued on Page 2 Feb. Update)



Leadership Series: CONFIDENCE

(As taken from the Spartan Code Manual)

We believe that confidence is a by-product of our Discipline, Integrity, and Selflessness. It is one of the most important qualities one must possess in order to make it in this world. Unconfident people get swallowed up in today's society and are forced to be shaped by the mainstream. We ask our players to know the things that influence their confidence.

- **Parental Influence:** Did they help or hurt? Do they believe in you?
- **Experience:** What shapes you?
- **Society:** Peer Pressure? Keeping up with the Jones? Should this be a source of confidence?

Self Confidence: The Key to Leadership

"People will follow you if they know that you believe in yourself and know you are headed somewhere."

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players sign National Letters of Intent (NLI). Chandler Miller will play for the University of Tulsa, Beaudé Clark will play for Southwestern College in Kansas, and Matt Dreyer will play for Lindenwood College in St. Charles, MO.

For the first time since 2008 we have had the maximum of two players make the Oklahoma Coaches Association All-State Team! Chandler Miller will be on the [East Offensive Line](#), and Matt Dreyer will play for the [East Defensive Line](#) in the OCA All-State game in August. This is regarded as the highest honor a high school player can achieve because it is voted on by high school coaches.

Three of our players were also voted [All-Star by Class](#). Blake Kirk was voted 6A All-Star Linebacker, Matthew Dreyer was voted 6A All-Star Defensive Line, and Chandler Miller was voted 6A All-Star Offensive Line.

Finally, it is great to see our players doing so well this off-season. Body types are changing, and the DISC attitude is becoming engrained in us. We couldn't be more excited about the future. It's a great day to be a Spartan!!!!



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Fall 2013 Academic Top 10

1.	Kyle Rhine	4.0
2.	Cade Cabbiness	3.8
3.	J.J. Cantell	3.8
4.	Breydon Daniel	3.8
5.	Andrew Dreyer	3.8
6.	Tanner Griffin	3.8
7.	Austin Grotts	3.8
8.	Brandon Turney	3.8
9.	Jake Spriggs	3.7
10.	Jarett Briscoe	3.6
10.	Blake Cooper	3.6
10.	Jon Kuhn	3.6
10.	Marshall Ray	3.6

SAVE THE DATE

3rd Annual Bixby Spartan Football Golf Tournament
May 31st, 2014 1:30pm Shotgun Start
Players will be signing up hole sponsors and teams soon!

2013 BIXBY OCA ALL-STATE FOOTBALL

EAST ALL-STATE TEAM

- [CHANDLER MILLER-OL](#)
- [MATTHEW DREYER-DL](#)

6A ALL-STAR BY CLASS

- [CHANDLER MILLER- OL](#)
- [MATTHEW DREYER- DL](#)
- [BLAKE KIRK- LB](#)

2014 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

8-22-14	Bixby Fall Classic	TBA
8-29-14	Scrimmage 2	TBA
9-05-14	@ Jenks	7:30
9-12-14	@ East Central	7:00
9-19-14	Vs. Springdale	7:00
9-26-14	Vs. Claremore	7:00
10-03-14	@ Bartlesville	7:00
10-10-14	Vs. Ponca City	7:00
10-16-14	@ Sapulpa (Fall Break)	7:00
10-24-14	@ Booker T. Washington	7:00
10-31-14	Vs. Muskogee	7:00
11-07-14	Vs. Sand Springs	7:00

BIXBY SPARTAN ALL-STATE FOOTBALL

YEAR	PLAYER	COACH	YEAR	PLAYER	COACH
1958	Mark Gibson	Red Rogers	1989	Tim Sefcik	Koester
1959	John Porterfield	McKenzie	1992	Jimmy Roller	Rick Rogers
1960	Jerry Lawhorn	Snider	1993	Tancy Evans	Rick Rogers
1965	Danny Willis	Snider	1993	Jeremiah Johnston	Rick Rogers
1965	John Giles	James	1994	Mitch Minik	Rick Rogers
1967	Roger Dicus	James	1995	Jeremy Meadors	Rick Rogers
1970	Robert Cox	Davis	1995	Jared Williams	Rick Rogers
1970	Butch Davis	Davis	1996	Jeff Taylor	Rick Rogers
1977	Ed Johnson	Graham	2002	Shane Davison	McGrew
1978	Marshall Goff	Graham	2005	Ben Tucker	McGrew
1978	Kevin Stringfellow	Graham	2006	Marshall Fraley	McGrew
1980	Tim Gibbs	Snider	2007	Chase Boles	McGrew
1983	Victor Moore	Snider	2007	Chris Harris	McGrew
1983	Todd Krehbiel	Snider	2008	Beau Bentley	McGrew
1984	Brad Best	Snider	2008	Jake Morgan	McGrew
1986	Roger Gibbs	Koester	2009	DeWitt Jennings	McGrew
1986	Gill Johnson	Koester	2012	DeAndre Jennings	Montgomery
1988	Keith Roller	Koester	2013	Chandler Miller	Montgomery
1988	Jason Stubbs	Koester	2013	Matthew Dreyer	Montgomery