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DRIPPING SPRINGS SENIORS SIGN NATIONAL LETTERS OF INTENT

DRIPPING SPRINGS, Texas—Three Dripping Springs High School seniors announced their commitments to continue their athletic career at the collegiate level. Colton Hawkins will compete in track and cross country at Trinity University (San Antonio), Luke Hodsden will wrestle at the United States Military Academy, and Robert Miller will play football at Howard Payne University.

Colton Hawkins Track/Cross Country Trinity University

Colton Hawkins started his cross country/track career as a freshman after more than 10 years as a soccer athlete. As a sophomore he lettered in cross country and soccer, earned letters in those sports as well as track. At last spring's district meet he finished fifth in the 800 Meters. This year Colton is not playing soccer in order to focus on running. He served as co-captain of the cross country team this past fall and placed third at the district meet. The son of Paula and Robert Hawkins, Colton will be majoring in Biology and hopes to pursue a career in physical therapy or sports medicine.

Coach: Marisa Parks

Luke Hodsden Wrestling United States Military Academy

Luke Hodsden has had an amazing wrestling career at DSHS. He has amassed a career record of 128-8 including 95 pins. Luke currently is on a 96-match win streak, which included the state 5A title at 182 pounds in 2015. As a sophomore he was state runner-up and as a freshman he placed fifth. Recently Luke was ranked as the #3 wrestler in the state regardless of school or weight by the website WrestlingTexas.com. He has participated in the sport for 13 years, and trains at 3F Wrestling in Hudson Bend. The son of Julianne and Scott Hodsden, Luke takes a full schedule of AP (Advanced Placement) classes. He plans to major in Mechanical Engineering at West Point.

Coach: Joe Kirksey

Robert Miller Football Howard Pavne University

Robert Miller has been a two-year letterman at offensive guard for the DSHS Tigers. In the fall of 2015, he earned honorable mention on the All-District 25-5A Team. Miller has been a multiple sport athlete for Dripping Springs, and will participate in varsity baseball this spring. The son of Dana and Daniel Miller, Robert plans to major in Criminal Justice at HPU.

Coach: Galen Zimmerman

This brings the total of student-athletes signing national letters of intent to 12 for the year. In November six volleyball players and one athlete each in baseball, swimming and track/cross country made their announcements.