De La Salle Athletic Hall of Fame

2018



Induction Ceremony





ADAM CARTER '94 JASON DENNIS '97 DR. ISIAH "DWAYNE" HARRIS '97 DAVID LOVERNE '94 KEVIN WALKER '91

1996 CROSS COUNTRY TEAM 2003 FOOTBALL TEAM

A Message from the President

As President of De La Salle High School and as an alumnus, I feel a special regard for the honorees whom we welcome today. All entering the Athletic Hall of Fame share certain admirable traits. They have all taken the gifts that God has given them and have used them in service as representatives of this community.

The student-athletes whom we honor today, both as individuals and as teams, are a prime example. Young as they were, they took on the challenge of being a Spartan, the challenge of not being just good and skilled, but of being responsible and accountable to their classmates and teammates, to their coaches and teachers. They didn't just shine in athletic competition; they integrated their entire person into the process of their Catholic, Lasallian education. They grew as individuals and students, and they have grown into the men we see today.

The De La Salle Athletic Hall of Fame is also a place where we honor the great coaches, mentors, and supporters of our student-athletes. Their leadership and guidance have left a lasting impression on our students, and we are proud to celebrate them today.

I want to offer our enduring gratitude to all who nurture and support our students in their quest to grow and to excel, the coaches, teachers, mentors, supporters, and parents who are committed to our Mission. We say that this school is committed to developing Men of Faith, Integrity, and Scholarship. Today, we see the results of that commitment, as we celebrate a fine group of Spartan alumni for the men they have become and the contributions they have made on and off the field. They thrilled us with their accomplishments in years past, and they truly honor us with their presence today. We are privileged to enshrine all of today's inductees into our Athletic Hall of Fame.

Mark Sellarco

Mark DeMarco '78 President



Our Master of Ceremonies Robert Braunstein

After graduating from Leland High School in 1976, Robert attended De Anza and Foothill Community Colleges, going on to receive his degree in Radio, Television and Film in 1981 from San Jose State University. Robert then left San Jose to get his Master's Degree in Journalism from the University of Missouri in 1982. Pursuing his love of sports broadcasting, Robert worked in Laredo, Texas, briefly as a Sports Director. But San Jose quickly pulled him home, and in 1983, Robert returned home to serve as a reporter and backup anchor at KICU TV, Channel 36.

Robert covered stories from city government to law enforcement, and eventually worked his way back to local sports. In 1991, Robert was named sports director and in 1992, he started "High School Sports Focus." Conceived as a way to highlight and celebrate student athletes, Robert's show was the first-ever high school sports highlight and feature program aired in a major market.

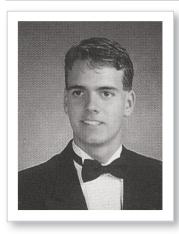
In October of 2001, Robert left KICU and began his own small business, Annabelle Productions. In his new venture, Robert remained committed to encouraging teenagers to achieve positive goals and coupled his passion for local sports with a lot of hard work to build a successful business. Robert has been Executive Producer/Host for the Emmy Award Winning Cal-Hi Sports Bay Area show for over 15 years. The summer of 2017, the show was sold to the San Francisco 49ers. Robert still holds a minority interest, with a commitment to stay on as Executive Producer for the 49ers Cal-Hi Sports Report.

Robert's unique position as both a community leader and small business owner in Almaden has given him an opportunity to give back to the community that has given him so much. His company has donated cars as part of the Allstate Teen Safe Driving contest and through the Spirit of Achievement feature on Cal-Hi Sports, and more than \$100,000 in scholarship money has been given away to students who have overcome adversity in their lives to succeed in high school.

In addition to his work for local student athletes, Robert also serves on several local community boards, including the Reach Youth Scholarship Committee and the City of San Jose Small Business Development Commission.

Robert and his wife Ann, have two children, Kelly and Daniel.

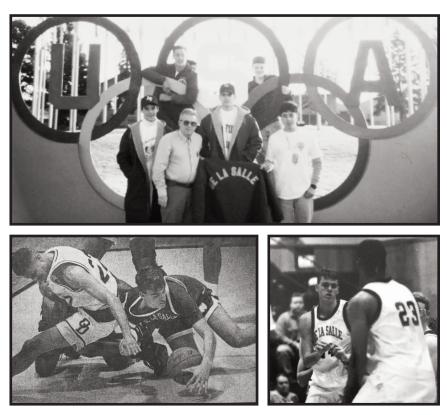
Adam Carter '94



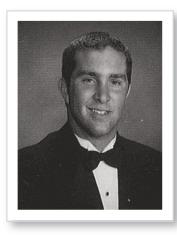
Adam Carter, class of 1994, was a three-sport varsity star, as a swimmer, basketball player, and water polo player. Carter was the De La Salle Athlete of the Year in 1994, a year in which he was the Water Polo Team Captain, part of the All League Water Polo Team, and named an All-American. De La Salle also claimed the BVAL water Polo Championship. As a member of the basketball team, the Spartans also captured the BVAL titles in 1993 and 1994. After graduating De La Salle, Carter received a full-ride water polo scholarship to Cal State Long Beach, where he was a

three-year team captain and starting player.

He currently holds the third-most career saves in CSU Long Beach Water Polo history.



Jason Dennis '97

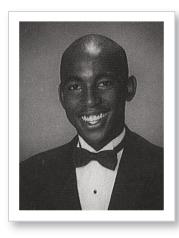


Jason Dennis, class of 1997, was a three-year varsity baseball pitcher from 1995-1997. During his junior and senior years, Dennis led his team to back-to-back NCS Championships. His career high school statistics include a .379 batting average with eight home runs and 68 RBIs. During his senior year, Dennis had an 11-1 record with a 1.20 ERA and 132 strikeouts over 87 innings. He received multiple allteam honors, such as with the Contra Costa Times (1997), All East Bay (1996 and 1997), All County (1996 and 1997), and California Player of the Year (High School Coaches Poll

in 1996 and 1997). In 1997, Dennis was part of the Junior Olympic National Team where he won the Gold Medal. After graduating De La Salle, Dennis went to the University of California, Berkeley where he majored in American Studies and played on the baseball team. He was drafted by the Anaheim Angels and played for five teams in the Pioneer, Midwest, California, and Atlantic Leagues.

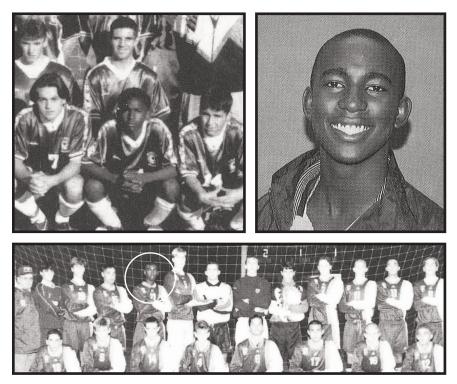


Isiah "Dwayne" Harris '97

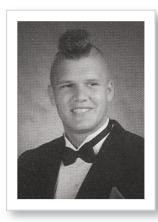


Isiah "Dwayne" Harris, MD, class of 1997, was a three-year starter on the varsity soccer team. A midfield specialist, Harris was the *Contra Costa Times* Player of the Year. After graduation, Harris attended Duke University where he was a four-year starter on the soccer team. Harris graduated from Duke with undergraduate degrees in Biology, Chemistry, and Psychology. He attended medical school at UC San Francisco and completed his residency at Harvard's Brigham and Women's Hospital, with a focus in Obstetrics and Gynecology.

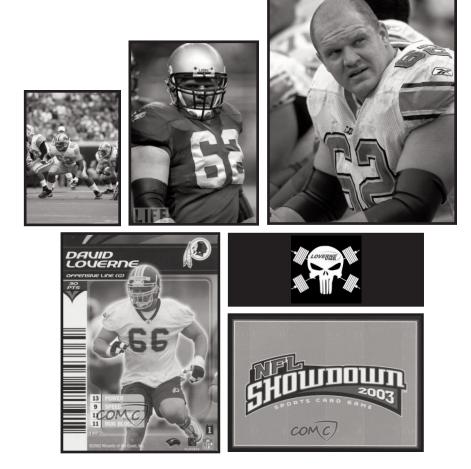
He completed a fellowship in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility at the University of Colorado, Denver, where he also obtained an Master of Science in Clinical Studies. Dr. Harris currently works at Kaiser Permanente Santa Clara Medical Center where he focuses on providing comprehensive reproductive care.



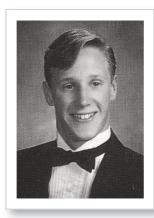
David Loverne '94



David Loverne, class of 1994, was an offensive and defensive lineman for the varsity football team for four years. A member of the first unbeaten "The Streak" team, Loverne played an integral role. After graduating he attended Idaho State, before transferring to San Jose State University. Loverne was the 90th overall selection in the 1999 National Football League Draft by the New York Jets, and played for the Jets, Washington Redskins, St. Louis Rams, Detroit Lions, and Houston Texans over a seven-year stretch.

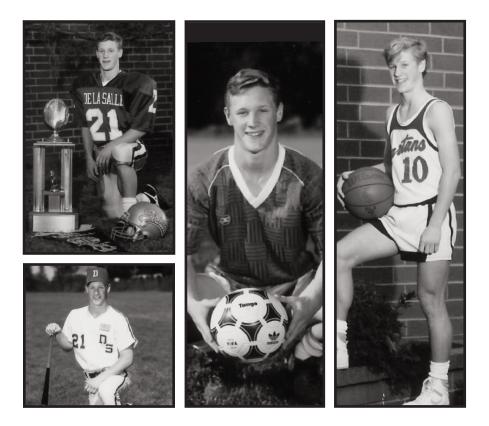


Kevin Walker '91



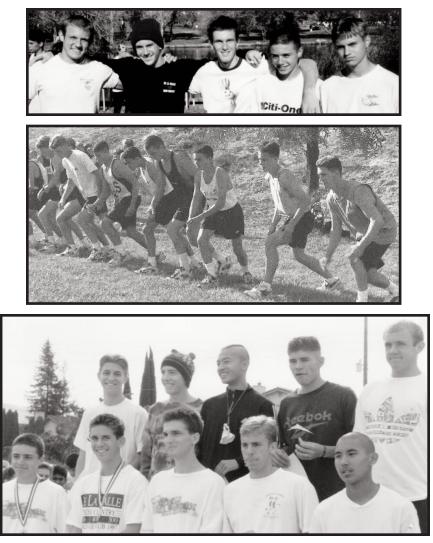
Kevin Walker, class of 1991, was four-sport star at De La Salle where he played basketball (freshman), football (two-year varsity), baseball (twoyear varsity), and soccer (three-year varsity). He was the De La Salle Athlete of the Year in 1991. In baseball, Walker was the starting center fielder. In football, he was part of a team that won two section titles. A member of the first unbeaten "The Streak" team, Walker was a starting kicker, punter, kick returner, punt returner, wide receiver, and defensive back. In soccer, Walker was part of the 1989 and 1991 NCS Championship teams

where he was the starting forward. Walker was a walk-on wide receiver at UCLA and played there from 1992-1995. Walker has also been a freshman football coach at De La Salle in 2013.



The 1996 Cross Country Team

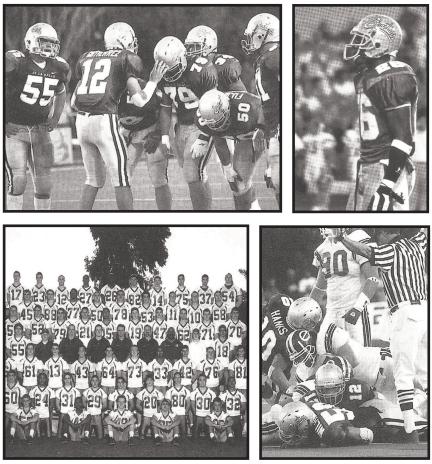
The 1996 Cross Country Team won BVAL, NCS, and CIF State Championships. They were undefeated in dual meets and the fastest team in all state divisions in meet times. The team was honored as the 1996 *Contra Costa Times* Cross Country Team of the Year and ranked No.12 nationally, the only California team ranked in the Top 25 that year.



THE 1996 CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

The 2003 Football Team

The 2003 De La Salle Football Team was the last undefeated team in the 13 year streak. They participated in the first-ever ESPN high school football game, where they beat Evangel Christian at Diablo Valley College in front of a national audience. They were ranked No.1 in the nation by *USA Today* and *Cal-Hi Sports*. Including players such as TJ Ward, Jackie Bates, Chris Biller (who was part of the National Rugby Team), as well as top national recruits Terrence Kelly and Cameron Colvin, this team was, in the words of Coach Terry Eidson, "probably one of the most talented teams of all time" at De La Salle. The players have continued to support and coach for De La Salle over the years.



THE 2003 FOOTBALL TEAM

Tradition

The De La Salle Athletic Hall of Fame will consciously seek to mirror the whole history of the growth and maturation of sport at De La Salle by selecting the best of the best from all decades of the school's existence.

And so, in addition to players and coaches, eligible nominees may include athletic department staff members, supporters of sports and even entire teams from a particular year.

Seventeen selectors serve as members of the voting committee to decide who will stand on the podium for each class. They represent all constituencies of the school community, and together they have over 300 years of work experience and association with De La Salle.

Please join in these efforts to identify individuals and teams who have made athletics such a significant part of De La Salle's identity. If you would like to make a nomination, please contact Lloyd Schine III '94, Director of Alumni Relations at 925-288-8171 or SchineL@dlshs.org

Hall of Fame Members

Today's inductees join this distinguished roster of honorees who are already members of the De La Salle High School Athletic Hall of Fame:

Students

Bernie Stenson '70 (swimming, soccer), Mark Viera '71 (basketball, track), Richard Kimball '74 (long distance running), Gerald Price '75 (baseball, basketball), Scott Molina '78 (cross country, track), Matt Castello '80 (baseball), Rob Lambert '81 (football, baseball), Chris Prietto '81 (track), Erik Johnson '83 (baseball), Patrick Oswald '83 (baseball football, wrestling), Jason Clark '85 (diving), Robert Hinckley '85 (football), Thomas Joseph '85 (football, wrestling), Mark Panella '85 (football, baseball), Nicholas Lahanas '86 (swimming), Antonio Vernon '86 (baseball, football), Mike Vontoure '86 (track, baseball, basketball), Jon Barry '87 (basketball), Mike Gibson '87 (football), Michael Salvemini '87 (soccer), Douglas Brien '89 (football, soccer), Kevin Keane '89 (basketball, track and field), Brent Barry '90 (basketball), Aaron Taylor '90 (football), Kevin Walker '91 (football, soccer, baseball), Joe McLean '92 (basketball), Amani Toomer '92 (football), Patrick Walsh '93 (football), Adam Carter '94 (water polo, basketball, swimming), Thomas Dixon '94 (volleyball), Dave Loverne '94 (football), Adin Brown '96 (water polo, soccer), Rashad Floyd '96 (football, basketball, track), Nicholas Schnabel '96 (baseball), Greg Brown-Davis '97 (football, wrestling), Jason Dennis '97 (baseball), Thomas Coughlan '97 (swimming, water polo), Dr. Dwayne Harris '97 (soccer), Thomas Prindiville '97 (cross country, track), Michael Hurlbut '98 (soccer, swimming, volleyball, and water polo), John Baker '99 (baseball), D.J. Williams '00 (football), Joe See '01 (basketball), Chad Taylor '01 (water polo, swimming, soccer, track), Jonny Tucker '01 (football and baseball), Demetrius Williams '01 (football, basketball), Matt G. Gutierrez '02 (football, basketball), Derek Landri '02 (football), Maurice Jones-Drew '03 (football, track).

Coaches

Tea Hieta (volleyball), Perry "PK" Kelly (teacher and coach), Joe Stocking (cross country, track, and soccer coach); Frank Tamony (teacher, Dean of Students, and coach), Michael Blasquez (strength aand conditioning coach).

Teams

1982 Football Team; 1985 Baseball Team; 1985 Football Team; 1989 Soccer Team; 1990 Swimming and Diving Team; 1991 Cross Country Team; 1992 Football Team; 1996 Soccer Team; 1996 Cross Country Team; 1997 Baseball Team; 1997 Swim & Diving Team; 1998 Football Team; 2000 Basketball Team; 2001 Football Team; 2002 Water Polo Team; 2003 Football Team.

Supporters

Kenneth H. Hofmann; John Wilhelmy, M.D.



Athletic Hall of Fame Criteria for Nomination

- 1. Nominees may be former athletes, coaches, teams, members of the athletic staff, or supporters of De La Salle athletics.
- 2. Any athlete who has graduated from De La Salle and met the eligibility requirements of his time is eligible for consideration, provided that 10 years have passed since his period of eligibility. A team is eligible for nomination 10 years after the completion of its season of sport.
- 3. Former coaches who have had outstanding success in their sports, athletic department members who have had a lengthy period of distinguished service to the school, and particularly dedicated, long- time supporters of athletic programs shall be eligible for consideration.
- 4. Athlete candidates shall have competed with a high standard of sportsmanship and positive spirit and with their own efforts and achievements oriented to the success of their team. A similar standard of ethics shall have characterized the years following their time at De La Salle.

Coaches considered for induction shall have been attentive to the continual athletic improvement and personal development of each team member. The same ethical and life standards expected of his athletes shall also characterize the life of the coach.

Nominated teams should be those which brought honor to De La Salle by performing at a high level or exceeding expectations, always demonstrating a distinguished degree of team play and sportsmanship.

Exceptional supporters of De La Salle athletics, including athletic staff members who are nominated, shall have provided opportunity and encouragement to teams or the athletic department as a whole. As with candidates who were athletes or coaches, their service and dedication shall have advanced the maturation of Spartan athletes and programs.

- 5. As a guide to selecting outstanding athletes and teams, the following criteria should be considered to be of great importance. (The list is not presented in order of importance.)
- a) DLS Athlete of the Year
- b) All-league selection
- c) All-East Bay selection
- d) All-state selection
- e) All-American selection
- f) Section champion
- g) State champion
- h) Record setter or holder
- i) Participation or recognition at the national level
- j) Distinguished post-high school career
- k) Winner of special awards given by teammates or coaches

The Selection Committee will have the flexibility to recognize outstanding individuals whose qualifications are not on the above list.

2017 – 2018 De La Salle Spartan Athletic Team Accomplishments

Football

NCS Champions CIF Open Division State Second Place

Cross Country

Third in EBAL Third in NCS

Water Polo

Second in EBAL NCS Quarterfinalist

Soccer

First in EBAL NCS Champions

Wrestling

NCS Champions NCS Duals Champions Fifteenth @ CIF State Meet

Baseball

First Place EBAL NCS Champions

Track and Field Second in EBAL

Swimming and Diving Second in EBAL

Golf

First in EBAL NCS Second Place NorCal Champions

Volleyball

Second in EBAL NCS Semifinalist

Lacrosse

Second in EBAL NCS Second Place

National Letter of Intent Signees

- 1. Daniel O'Connell UC Berkeley Swimming
- 2. Austin Elder Cal State Northridge Baseball
- 3. Trace Tammaro University of Portland Baseball
- 4. Justin Pratt UC San Diego Basketball
- 5. Peyton Omania Michigan State Wrestling
- 6. James Person Saint Mary's College Soccer
- 7. Luke Giusto UC Davis Soccer
- 8. Kairee Robinson San Jose State Football
- 9. Tuli Letuligasenoa University of Washington Football
- 10. Chris Koenig Roanoke College Lacrosse
- 11. Nohl Patterson Claremont McKenna College Track
- 12. Quin Seivold Swarthmore College Lacrosse



For more information and to submit nomination forms, please contact Director of Alumni Relations Lloyd Schine III ' 94, at SchineL@dlshs.org or 925-288-8171 or www.dlshs.org/athletics/hall-of-fame