



Next Sports Boosters Meeting - May 22nd, 7pm

Spring Season Highlights

Boys' Volleyball

The team ended their regular season with a league record of 9-3 and an overall record of 21-12, tying for second place in the BVAL Mount Hamilton league. The team was the 5th seed in the CCS Division 1 bracket and started their playoff run on May 9th, but lost to Menlo Atherton in a close 25-23, 25-23, 25-15 match. Congratulations on a great season boys!

[Cal Hi Sports](#) highlighted the Leigh vs. Westmont match in their April 16th show.

The team celebrated seven seniors at Senior Night on May 4th.



Badminton

The team finished their season with a record of 4-10 in the competitive BVAL Mount Hamilton league. Annie and Kerry Xu were Girls Doubles Champions at both the BVAL League Tournament and the CCS Championship meet - the third time they've won both titles! They had to miss last year's events while representing the US at the Thomas and Uber Cup in China, otherwise it may have been a clean sweep. Congratulations to Annie and Kerry! We wish them the best of luck as they continue their badminton careers as part of the US team - next week in a competition in Australia and for many years to come.



Track & Field

Leigh had fifteen top 8 finishes at the recent BVAL Meet in which all 24 teams in the League competed. Kyler Spindola won the 800M making him BVAL League Champion. Four Leigh athletes finished in the top 8 in more than one event including Nathan Viskovich (5th in the 200M, 3rd in the 400M), Hawa Kamara (4th in the 200M, 2nd in the 400M, and 2nd in the triple jump), Diego Rodriguez (6th in the 110 hurdles, 8th in the 300 hurdles), and Tevita Pahulu (3rd in the shot, 2nd in the discus). The other athletes with top 8 finishes were Tyler Elder (2nd in the pole vault), Nathan Yoder (3rd in the long jump), Matt Draxton (6th in the pole vault), Matthew Malvini (8th in the triple jump), and Shannon Sadler (6th in the high jump). In addition, the mens 4 x 400 relay took 2nd place and the womens 4 x 400 relay took 5th. Congratulations on a fantastic BVAL Meet.

The top finishers at the BVAL meet all competed at the CCS Trials this past weekend at Gilroy High School. Hawa Kamara finished 1st in the 400M and 3rd in the Triple Jump, qualifying in two events for this Friday's CCS Finals Meet. Hawa set a new Leigh school record with her 57.01 time in the 400M. Other top Leigh finishes and qualifiers for the finals include Shannon Sadler (#9 qualifier in the High Jump), Kyler Spindola (#12 qualifier in the 800M), Nathan Yoder (#7 qualifier in the Long Jump with a new personal best), and Matt Draxton (#9 qualifier in the Pole Vault with a new personal best). We wish all these athletes good luck as they compete with the region's best athletes this Friday at Gilroy High School. Meet starts at 4:00 pm for Field Events and 6:00 pm for Track Events.

Softball

The team capped their season with a win against Westmont on May 12th with a score of 9-4, highlighted by a home run hit by Sara Gayer in her last game played at Leigh. It was great to get the win on Senior Day, when seven seniors were celebrated. The Varsity girls finished the year 2-12 in the BVAL Mount Hamilton Division, 7-17 overall. The JV girls had a successful season, with a league champ record of 13-1 and 21-4 overall.



Swim & Dive

Leigh qualified swimmers in almost every event at the BVAL Championship meet, where the Varsity girls took 2nd and the Varsity boys took 3rd. Ben Dietz had an outstanding day, with first place finishes in the

200 IM and the 100 breaststroke). Other top Leigh finishers included Hayley O'Brien (first in the 500 free, third in the 100 backstroke), Ben Fritz (second in the 200 and 500 free), Sophomore Rachel Huynh (third in the 100 breaststroke), and Freshman Jenna O'Brien (third place in the 200 free). Both 400 free relays also finished strong, with the girls taking second place and the boys finishing in third.

The CCS meet took place on May 13th, with fourteen Leigh swimmers participating and three Leigh swimmers qualifying for the finals. Ben Dietz finished 13th in the 200 IM and 12th in the 100 breaststroke, Hayley O'Brien took 11th in the 500 free, and Ben Fritz finished 16th in the 500 free. Ben Dietz set a new Leigh school record with his time of 1:54.11 in the 200 IM, breaking a record that has stood since 1980! Congratulations to Ben and to all the Leigh swimmers on a fantastic season.



Eleven Seniors were honored on Senior Day at the Leland swim meet.



Golf

The team finished their season in 3rd place in the BVAL Mount Hamilton division, just missing the cutoff for a team entry into CCS. Connor Isaacson finished 7th at the BVAL League Tournament, earning a spot in the CCS Golf Tournament held at Laguna Seca Golf Ranch where he finished 31st in Region 1 with a score of 78. The golf team was honored to have three seniors compete at the Varsity level all four of their years at Leigh - Liam Hunt, Alex Llorin, and Jack Naillon. They will be missed!

Baseball

The team finished their regular season with a 11-3 league record, 19-8 overall, securing a co-League Championship with Willow Glen. The team received the 8th seed in the CCS Open Division playoff bracket and took on Capuchino at home on Wednesday. Leigh won that contest 6-0, with a no-hitter performance by Leigh pitcher Kanoa Pagan. Leigh played against Mitty in the quarterfinals on Saturday, losing with a final score of 10-4. Thank you to all of the fans that came out to watch the team play, and congratulations to the boys on a successful season.

Prep2Prep has covered several recent Leigh baseball games, including several articles written by Leigh's own Billy Braker:

[Leigh vs. Willow Glen](#)

[Leigh vs. Leland](#)

[Leigh vs. Branham](#)

Also in the news:

[Cal-Hi Sports](#) covered the game against Leland in their April 24th show.

[Cal-Hi Sports](#) covered the come-back win against Willow Glen in their May 7th show.

[San Jose Mercury News](#) writes about the BVAL/Mount Hamilton co-Championship.

The team celebrated eight seniors at Senior Day on May 9th:



College Commitment Ceremony

On April 27th, Jake Shaughnessy, Leigh's Athletic Director, hosted a ceremony celebrating fourteen Leigh Seniors who have committed to playing their respective sports at four year colleges and universities. The ceremony was held in the Leigh Quad at noon with parents, coaches, teachers, and fellow students there to show their support. Most of these students played their respective sport at Leigh for four years, some even mixing in a second Leigh sport just to ensure a full schedule. In addition, several of these students were Scholar Athletes at Leigh. That is in addition to the many, many hours that all of these athletes have put in on the field, court, or in the pool outside of Leigh - we admire and honor the time and commitment that it has taken for all of these athletes to take their sport to the next level.

Congratulations to all of these athletes on their accomplishment and we wish all of them much success in their athletic careers as they move on from Leigh.

- Cassidy Ballard - Soccer - Holy Names
- Quinn Barrett - Volleyball - UC Santa Cruz
- Ben Fritz - Swimming - Willamette University
- Elle Gallmann - Soccer - Cal Poly, SLO
- Sara Gayer - Softball - Whitworth University
- Kyle Johnson - Baseball - UC Santa Barbara
- Mia Maminski - Field Hockey - Belmont Abbey College
- Hannah Mapes - Volleyball - Chico State
- Aleks Melbardis - Volleyball - Stevenson University
- Hayley O'Brien - Swimming - UC Davis
- Andrew Padi - Soccer - UCLA
- Ben Reveno - Soccer - UC Irvine
- Emily Smith - Soccer - UC Berkeley
- Dani Wheeler - Soccer - Gallaudet University



Athletes in the News

Kyle Johnson: Kyle's walk-off home run against Willow Glen was featured as the DGDG.com "Be Happy Play" by [Cal-Hi Sports](#) on their May 7th show and the resulting dog pile was highlighted as the "Dirty Work Play" on their [May 14th show](#).

Emily Smith: Emily was named Second Team All-CCS Forward for Girls Soccer by Prep2Prep Sports.

Badminton Team: The Leigh boys and girls badminton team received a 2017 Spring Season Scholastic Championship Team Award, recognizing the top five Varsity teams from each CCS sport with the highest collective grade-point-average of all teams competing in that sport during their season. Congratulations to the entire team for achieving a collective 3.54 GPA during their Spring season.

Dani Wheeler: Dani was named Honorable Mention All-CCS Forward for Girls Soccer by Prep2Prep Sports. Dani was also recognized by REACH Youth Scholarship for overcoming adversity and obstacles to reach her goals. She was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship. Dani's family, several of them from the County DHOH program, Jake Shaughnessy, and prominent community members from BAWSI attended to support Dani. What an incredible morning recognizing youth from all over Santa Clara County where award winners were recognized by Ronnie Lott and Brandi Chastain, co-chairs of the committee.

Share your exciting news with us - Email us at asbcpresident@leighhsc.org

Updates on Leigh Grads

Sam Delaplane, a Leigh 2013 graduate, is in his fourth and final year of playing baseball for Eastern Michigan University. The right handed pitcher is featured in the team's [2017 Baseball Season Preview](#) and has become a starting pitcher for the team. He leads EMU with a 2.70 ERA and 66 strikeouts in 15 appearances (seven starts) and 56.2 innings. His ERA ranks third in the Mid-American Conference, while his strikeout total is second in the MAC. His 184 career strikeouts rank 11th in Eastern Michigan laurels. In his last five outings, Delaplane has recorded 45 K's, including a career-high 12 against Ohio, April 14. Delaplane is also ranked tied for fourth in all-time saves with 10.

Kyle Morrison, a Leigh 2014 graduate, is in his third year of playing baseball for San Jose State

University. The infielder has played in 32 games this season, with 29 starts. His batting average is .245 with an on base percentage of .366. Kyle is 5th on the team with 16 runs scored, and leads the team with 8 sacrifice bunts.

Trevor Peterson, a Leigh 2012 graduate, scored a career-high 14 points on Senior Night at Point Loma Nazarene University. Trevor was nominated as PLNU's Comeback Player of the Year for his performance in his final basketball season with PLNU, a year that included the program's first appearance in the PacWest Tournament Championship game.

Teresa Danenberg, a Leigh 2016 graduate who was honored at last year's college commitment ceremony, is finishing her freshman year playing for the Sonoma State softball team and was recently named Freshman of the Year by her Seawolves Team. Congratulations Teri!



Athletic Registration Night for ALL Leigh athletes

If your child plans to play sports at Leigh next year, please attend the Athletic Registration Night on Thursday 6/1 at 6:00pm in the Main Gym. The Athletics Dept. will be covering the new registration process, eligibility requirements, and sports PE. Your physicals for athletics need to be dated after 6/12/17. There will be a doctor at Leigh on 8/2/17 at 2:00pm to do physicals for anyone who is unable to get one before then. Cost is \$25.

Please note that Fall Sports begin on Friday 8/4. Check your sport's individual webpage for the dates and times for that sport's summer workouts.

Coach Surveys

If your son or daughter participated in a sport this year you should have received a link to a survey to help Leigh evaluate the performance of its coaches. Please complete the survey as a parent and encourage your son or daughter to complete it from their perspective as well. The surveys are part of our Athletic Director Jake Shaughnessy's effort to ensure a quality experience for all Leigh athletes. Survey responses are completely anonymous and will be reviewed by him; shared with coaches only at a summary level to further insure the confidentiality of the athletes and parents.

Summer Camps at Leigh

Several Leigh teams will be hosting summer camps this year. Information is posted on the [Leigh Athletics website](#) . Encourage your friends and neighbors with younger kids to come to Leigh for camp!

- Field Hockey Camp - June 12-15
- Boys' Soccer Camp - July 10-14
- Girls' Volleyball Camp - June 19-22 and July 10-13

- Boys' Volleyball Camp - July 17-21
- Girls' Basketball Camp - June 26-30 and July 3-7
- Boys' Basketball Camp - June 12-16
- Baseball Camp - Date TBA
- All Sports Camp - July 17-21

Leigh Proposed Construction

As part of the planning for Leigh's facility updates, there were two community meetings held by Leigh Principal Kara Butler to gather feedback on the current proposals. Principal Butler has posted the [presentation](#) for anyone that could not attend one of the meetings. There is an opportunity for you to provide feedback at this end of this presentation.

Funding Approvals and Requests

Approved at the May Sports Boosters meeting:

- Girls Volleyball Uniforms - 90 uniform tops (3 teams - total cost of \$4,982) - \$2,300
- Spring Scholar Athlete Luncheon - \$300



Leigh Athletics Website

Looking for current information on athletic events? Leigh's Athletic Director, Jake Shaughnessy, updates the Leigh Athletics website every week with current information. Start [here](#) for everything Leigh Athletics!

Purchase Leigh Merchandise Online

Would you like a Leigh sweatshirt or T-shirt? Or a Leigh beanie or baseball hat? Our Leigh merchandise is now for sale on our webstore on the school website: click [here](#). Check it out today! Leigh merchandise is managed by Sports Boosters and all profits benefit all of the sports programs at Leigh.

Earn money for Leigh while you shop

Leigh Merchandise - Purchase online at the [Leigh Webstore](#).

Sports Basement Program - Become a Basemanteer and receive 10% off every item every day and also 10% of your purchase goes back to Leigh. There is no fee for school families or customers with previous acceptable partner discounts as long as they mention the school or partner at the register.

Amazon - Order on Amazon using the Leigh Amazon link and up to

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Leigh Sports Boosters website

Leigh Fan Gear

Tshirts, hoodies, hats, beanies, stadium chairs, and more!! Longhorn Fan Gear is available at all home football games or can be ordered anytime using the form found at

Leigh Merchandise order form

Leigh Sports Boosters Purpose

The purpose of Sports Boosters is to encourage participation in all aspects of Leigh school sports, to promote awareness of all Leigh athletic teams, and to fundraise and provide other services and assistance to benefit Leigh athletic programs and facilities.

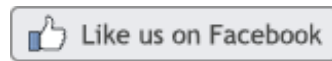
El propósito de Boosters Deportes es para fomentar la participación en todos los aspectos del deporte escolar Leigh, para promover el

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conocimiento de todos los equipos atléticos Leigh, y para recaudar fondos y proveer otros servicios y asistencia en beneficio de Leigh programas e instalaciones deportivas.

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You can become a member of Leigh Sports Boosters at any time. Membership at the \$90 level gets you in to all regular season home games for all sports. To join, complete this form and follow the link to pay via Paypal or by check:

[Membership Form](#)

Or join by using the donation button on our webpage:

[Leigh Sports Boosters website](#)

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