

County high school athletes signwith colleges



Galveston County athletes signed letters of intent on Wednesday that will allow them to take their games to the next level.

Including Clear Creek school district high school athletes outside the county, there are 67 high school athletes headed to college on scholarship next season. And there are likely more to come since Wednesday was just the first day of the signing period for many sports.

Of the 55 Galveston County athletes who made their college commitments official, 24 are football players. Among them are University of Texas recruits Armanti and D'Onta Foreman of Texas City.

The twin brothers were among six Stingarees to sign college scholarship offers Wednesday. D'Onta Foreman was The Daily News' 2013 All-County Player of the Year.

Other Division I FBS signees in football were Texas City's Andrew Allen (New Mexico State University), Clear Falls' Cole Anderson (Iowa State), Clear Creek's Kaliq Kokuma (University of Houston) and Dickinson's Krysten Hammond (Georgia State).

Jarrett Hildreth, Clear Creek's quarterback and The Daily News' All-County Offensive Player of the Year, chose to attend Blinn Junior College.

Football players weren't the only ones to grab the spotlight on Wednesday.

Signees included 11 soccer players. Most came from area's girls teams, with eight coming from the Clear Creek school district.

Clear Springs coach Craig Foster continued sending players to the next level as Chargers Anna Hughes (University of Central Arkansas), Danielle Patterson (University of St. Thomas) and Michaela Mencacci (Stephen F. Austin) signed letters of intent.

Clear Falls also had three soccer players sign scholarships — Kira Zapalac (Texas State University), Coral Gordy (University of Houston-Victoria) and Leah draper (Dallas Baptist University).

Clear Creek's Carolina Dunbar (Loyola University-Chicago) and Brianna Lovett (McNeese State) rounded out the district's soccer players with college on scholarship.

There are three county track stars headed to college on scholarship. Topping the list is Dickinson's Lauryn Caldwell, who will throw the discus and shot put for the University of Texas.

The county even had a water polo player sign for a scholarship. Clear Creek's Jared Castillo will be in the pool for the U.S. Naval Academy.