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# Dysart honors athletes of the month

DYSART SCHOOLS — The Dysart School District is pleased to announce its Dysart/Crown Trophy/Red Robin High School Athletes of the Month for April. Those receiving the honor for April are:

## **Dysart High School**

Monique Duran – Monique is one of the most amazing and talented female athletes at Dysart High School. She is a young lady that has an excellent work ethic and is always striving for perfection. It does not matter what sport she plays, she always goes out giving 100%. She does excel in one specific sport and that is the game of softball. She plays club softball year round and it definitely shows when it comes to the high school season. She is a stand out player that is complimented after every game by other coaches because of her ability both on defense and offense. She is very driven and determined to be successful both on and off the field. Monique is dedicated to becoming a student-athlete in college and is working hard every day to get to that position.

Harpreet (Happy) Singh - Harpreet is the number one singles tennis player on the DHS team. While picking up the sport only last spring he has excelled through hard work and dedication. He has not missed a single off season workout, practice or match in the past year. Happy has a winning singles record within the region and is the team captain leading the team in workouts, stretches, etc. In addition to being a great leader on the court he carries a 4.0 grade point average in the classroom and has set a personal goal of playing college tennis before moving into the business world and owning his own business.

## **Shadow Ridge High School**

Meagan Herdrich - Meagan is a sophomore on the Junior Varsity softball team at Shadow Ridge High School. Meagan has done a great job taking on the roll of starting pitcher for the Stallions as well as being a major asset on offense as well. Meagan has played many positions for her team throughout the season, willingly doing her best to help her team in whatever way she can. Her awesome work ethic and wonderful attitude make her a great role model to her teammates and a joy to coach. Meagan is also a wonderful student carrying a 3.7 grade point average while holding down 3 honors classes.

Elijah Knight-McCorkle - Elijah is a Football and Track and field athlete for Shadow Ridge High School. On the track team, EJ is a team leader and the hardest worker on the team. His team looks to him for leadership and motivation. He was a leading running back rusher and team captain in football. He is a member of the Key Club and has participated in several service projects. He is an overall outstanding student-athlete.

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## **Valley Vista High School**

Jordan Parsons - Jordan is a sophomore with a 3.4 GPA. She is a Varsity Softball player and participates in club ball during the summer. Jordan has also played basketball and soccer. She hopes to be a part of the Yearbook Team in the future and plans on attending college after graduation.

Cody Blue - Cody is a senior with a 4.2 GPA. He is ranked 8<sup>th</sup> in his senior class and is in the top 1%. Cody has played 4 years of football, 2 of those years as a varsity player including captain this year. He has participated in track for 4 years and has gone to state 2 years in a row for pole vaulting with a personal record of 12'4". Cody received an ASU Provost award of \$30,000 for 4 years to study Aerospace Engineering.

## **Willow Canyon High School**

Taylor Carpenter – Taylor is our senior student athlete of the month for her excellence on the track and in the classroom. In addition, Taylor was also a starter on the Wildcat Volleyball team. Taylor holds a 4.3 GPA and has received the presidential scholarship to attend Grand Canyon University. Taylor runs in the 4x100m relay that has qualified for the state meet. She has also had success in several meets running the very tough 100m hurdles. Taylor has helped mentor younger hurdlers in showing them technique and encouraging them to improve. She has brought senior leadership to a young track team and it has been a pleasure having her out on the track running. Outside of school, Taylor volunteers at distributing food to those less fortunate, and as a youth leader in church. She is known for her great character and high ethical standards.

Kenny Klein – Kenny is a member of the Willow Canyon track team and also was a member of the cross country team. Kenny has shown tireless work and dedication to the track team. He is generally the first one out to practice and the last one to leave each day, making sure to get the most out of every workout. He motivates and positively influences others with his determination. Kenny has had many challenges to overcome yet set personal records in nearly every meet this season. He works through the toughest weather and conditions with a smile on his face – never giving up. Kenny also demonstrated success in the classroom, maintaining a 3.8 GPA and showing the same dedication to his studies as he does to athletics.