

Tana'ya Brown - Toledo High School

Tana'ya Brown is a multi-sport athlete, participating in volleyball, basketball, and softball. She earned the recognition of being an Iron Boomer, which celebrates students participating in twelve different seasons while at Toledo High School. Tana'ya stands out due to her attitude in the face of adversity. During each of the last two years, she tore her Anterior Cruciate Ligament (ACL) playing basketball. Despite being unable to play, she still attended every practice and game to cheer on her teammates as they advanced to the State Championships. Tana'ya continued this practice into softball season, even knowing she was unable to step on the field. In the classroom and community, she also displays exemplary credentials. Tana'ya graduated as Valedictorian while earning a green cord, which recognizes over 100 hours of community service. Tana'ya has plans to attend Oregon Coast Community College in Newport.

Mizael Harris - La Salle Catholic College Prep

Mizael Harris was selected Player of the Game in the 5A Boys Soccer State Championship game, leading his team with two goals in a 2-1 victory. Being just a sophomore, Mizael has drawn on former teammates and his father in order to establish an effective, compassionate, and determined leadership style for his team and school community. He participates in a program that welcomes and supports incoming La Salle freshmen. Mizael is also active in the school's Black Student Union, which uses organized events to speak on inequalities to make positive societal change. In addition, he volunteers at the St. Francis Dining Hall. When the pandemic hit, Mizael worked to encourage local middle school students to aspire to attend college. He also recorded himself reading children's books to provide programming for teachers at a local elementary school. Both schools serve a lower income population.