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Detroit's Top High School Football Players

Dante Moore
Jalen Thompson
Johnathan Slack

Dante Moore

#1 QUARTER BACK IN THE CITY & STATE





FOOTBALL

M'Kenzie Sanders

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JOHNATHAN SLACK



Johnathan Slack stands 6-3 270 plus, he is one of the top high school Offensive linemen in the entire State of Michigan. Last year, 2021-2022 football season, King won the Division 3 State Championship, at the end of the season Slack had 50 tackles.

Johnathan was born on December 28 2004 and was raised on the eastside of Detroit. He is the oldest child and enjoy hanging with his family and friends.



Johnathan Slack

Class of 2023

Sign: Capricorn

Siblings: 1 sister, 1 brother

Hobbies: He love to Rap

Favorite Subject: Math

Favorite Food: Soul Food (Mac & Cheese)

Future Goals: Pro-football (Sports Attorney)

Next Level of Greatness: Committed – Michigan State University

DANTE MOORE

Dante Moore is a 6-2 and a halfback from Michigan and some will say a leader on and off the field. His lead his team on the field is a

Dante was born on May 24, 2005, says “e in Detroit all my life and getting the oppo is a blessing.” Dante has a wonderful sp very close to his dad, whom he calls his r

Last year, Young Detroitier Sport began v game at a time, aiming toward his goal “T at Ford Field watching him win the 2022

For Dante, being one of the top players in was next. He committed to Oregon Stat focus on the 2022-2023 football season.

Watching him this year is different, he ma He said, “being the captain can be a cha younger teammates, teaching them to list they are playing the game because you or

DANTE MOORE

Class of 2023

Sign: Gemini

Special Talents: Ambidextrous (can use b

Hobbies: Video games, bowling and han

Leadership Advise: Listen to one voice

Who motivates him: His Dad

Future Goals: Pro-football

Love for Football: If not Football? Spo

Favorite Players: Tom Brady and Trevo

Next Level of Greatness: Committed to C

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f 210-pound 5-star #1 Quarter Back in the State of
in the Country. He is our “Diamond.” Dante is a
he is the captain of his team and just watching him
beautiful sight to see.

ven though I was born in another State, I was raised
rtunity to play football at Detroit King High School
pirit; he is a gifted and grounded young man. He is
ole model.

watching Dante. He was very focused, taking one
The State Championship”. The emotions were high
Division 3 State Championship.

t the country, the pressure to select the right college
e University. He said, “It felt right.” Now he can

atured and has become more of a leader on the field.
allenge sometimes but, I enjoy giving back to my
ten to one voice on the field and to have fun while
nly get this opportunity once.”

both hands with equal ease and value }
ging with friends talking sports

arts Medicine
or Lawrence
Oregon State University



JALEN THOMPSON



Jalen Thompson, 1 of our Top Defenders in the State of Michigan,
Jalen a 6 foot 2.5, 244 Defensive End.



Jalen, start playing in his sophomore year at Cass Tech in 2021-22. Last season he had 10 sacks and 42 tackles. Thompson was born on 5-28-2005, on the Westside of Detroit. His love for football started as a kid; and has led him to be a monster field, it's

been a joy to watch him, his strength is incredible. He is dangerous on and off the field. He is a very intelligent young man with a 3.8 grade point average

Jalen Thompson

Class of 2023

Sign: Gemini

Siblings: 2 Brothers and 2 Sisters

Hobbies: He is a born entrepreneur and more football; playing with his friends.

Favorite Subject: Math

Favorite Food: Flavor "B Wings"

Future Goal: Own a Business after pro-football.

Next Level of Greatness: Committed – Michigan State

THE REASON WHY "STUDENT ATHLETICS" ARE IMPORTANT?

Sports prepares young athletes for their futures by instilling many positive attributes within them. Some of those attributes are as follows:

TIME MANAGEMENT

While playing sports athletes develop self-discipline, motivation, and leadership skills that can be used to build a purposeful life.

Sports can help increase the GPA of students while teaching them to manage their time, prioritize their schedules, and become efficient balancing work and play. Students participating in high school athletics are more connected to their school and community life which results in better academic results and engagement at school.

HEALTH & WELLNESS (THE IMPORTANCE OF PHYSICAL FITNESS)

Sports teach the students the importance of movement and being physically fit. They learn how to work together (**TEAMWORK**) realizing that working together is stronger than one person's performance alone. This value will stick with them in high school and far beyond.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT THROUGH MENTORSHIP

The older student/player develop leadership and mentorship skills by assisting their team members as well as the younger players in their academics and in their sport skills.

POSITIVE CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT (THE THREE P'S)

Persistence, Practice and Patience. These 3 Ps are the positive character attributes that result from actions like committing to practice daily, persisting through adversity, and patiently supporting teammates.



COLLEGE CORNER

GOING AWAY VS STAYING

Perhaps the most daunting pre-college task, beyond packing boxes and selecting classes, is parting with family, friends, and the comforts of home. In theory, it seems promising, forging a new path, finding a new identity, following your own rules, and sports practice...but it's not so simple. With independence comes responsibility, and with responsibility comes the potential to become greater.

If you choose to go away to college it can seem like a terrifying, but exciting, event considering that from the moment your parents drop you off on campus, you will be classified as independent. Freedom has finally found you (with some restrictions from the sports athletic program and the dorm resident attendant, of course). You will oversee your spending, groceries, and studies. However, with a new athletic schedule and hours and hours of practice you will also decide on your social schedule. Coach may put some restriction on curfew which is non-negotiable, but remember tremendous responsibility comes along with this new freedom.

Choosing to stay home, on the other hand, can offer similar benefits but with some minor adjustments. While you may, if you're lucky, have the advantage of free range to family and friends, you will also oversee your studies and social life which could be a challenge. Your parents would be close for meal stops and washing clothes, although your curfew may be a little hard to keep, being around your old environment.

If you opt to go off to school, you'll have an opportunity to meet and live among people of all races, colors, ethnic and social backgrounds. You'll find new friends in people that you could never imagine having anything in common with. While at home, you'll have almost equal encounters, but old hometown friendships could make that a challenge.

Away at college you'll learn the practical lessons of life, such as balancing your twenty-dollar-a-week budget between food and personal hygiene items. You'll learn mostly by trial and error. But don't panic, your family is still just a Cash App away. You will learn to master the art of jot plate cuisine and become the grand wizard of gourmet Ramen Noodles.

At home, you may be eating the spoils of your parent's culinary adventures, but the looks on your parents' faces may grow grimmer each time you reach into the refrigerator until they've reached their breaking point, finally yelling out, "You need to get a job?" Weigh all your options and talk them over with your parents before making your final decision. Whatever the outcome may be, the goal is to enjoy college life.



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