



JC JAGUARS NEWSLETTER

FROM THE AD KEN HAMILTON

Congratulations to Coach Melchor, Coach Thorman and our Men's and Women's Soccer teams. Both teams claimed victories over U of A Rich Mountain. What a great start to the season. However, there is not much time to celebrate. Conference starts immediately. Both teams travel to Tyler Junior College on Sept 3 and host Angelina College Friday the 6th. Times for these games are listed on each team's home page. Good luck teams.

Congratulations also goes out to Coach Shepherd, Coach Rowland and our Cross Country athletes. At the recent Nicole Leman Invitational Meet hosted by Letourneau University, our Women's team had 2 top 10 finishes. On the Men's side Antonio Chavez took the Men's title with Isaih Garzon not far behind in 2nd place leading our Men's team to the meet title. Both teams are back in action on Saturday Sept 7 at the East Texas Shootout hosted by Texas A&M University-Commerce in Commerce TX. These are good opportunities for our athletes to compete against 4-year universities and it gives our athletes another opportunity to be looked at and possibly recruited to the next level.

Great job everyone. What a great way to start our seasons. Let's keep the momentum going and build off of these early successes.

I look forward to our Tennis teams getting underway this weekend in Tyler for the TJC Apache Invitational. Our Golf teams are not far behind. In talking with our head coaches, they are excited to get going and feel their teams are ready to go.

From the academic side of things, I am very excited with our fall enrollment numbers. We welcomed 144 athletes to campus for our fall 2019 semester. This represents an increase in student athletes of over 9% over fall 2018. Not only am I excited with the increase, but also with the attitudes and personalities that our athletes have brought with them. Jacksonville College is a wonderful place with a very strong culture of healthy relationships and support. We have a very active, and involved administrative staff and alumni base that is unique at this level. If you are an athlete, I hope that you will take advantage of this support as you journey through your time at Jacksonville College.

As many may have noticed we have begun updating the content on our athletic pages. These changes will be positive and more in line with what other colleges and universities offer. The greatest improvement will be the addition of individual pictures of all of our athletes. This will allow each of us to put a face with a name and also give our athletes better exposure for recruiting purposes. Those pictures will be uploaded soon, so look for that. We will continue to make the site more user friendly with better access to contact information for all our staff.

Please look for my contact information at the end of each newsletter. If you have any questions that I might help answer please send me a note. I will do my best to quickly respond or direct you to someone who can help.

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