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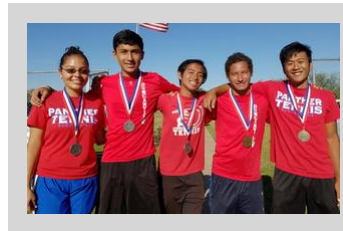
DUNCANVILLE Independent School District

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**District Honors Teacher, Staff & Student "Made with Pride in Duncanville" Teacher, Staff & Student**



**DHS Varsity Tennis Players Head to Regional Tournament**



Five varsity tennis players will represent Duncanville at the Region I Tournament on April 18-19.

The varsity tennis team had a tremendous showing at the 8-6A district tournament last week to qualify for regionals. Alex Fuentes and Chance Phoupardit fought a 2 and a half hour battle winning first place in boys doubles. Paolo Obenita took second place in boys singles, and Aaron Mancillas and Monica

**Rodney Swisher** is an innovative Algebra teacher at Duncanville High School who uses the latest technology to help his students. Recently Mr. Swisher used an app to host a "Math Challenge" during spring break. By sending a few math problems every day, the students were able to stay engaged and earned bonus points toward their final grade. Mr. Swisher is also available to his students day and night. One evening, students were having trouble with a math problem, so Mr. Swisher opened up a group chat and spent several hours answering students' questions.



**Chris Anderson** is the Assistant Athletic Director for Duncanville ISD. He works tirelessly behind the scenes to coordinate all the schedules and special projects for the Athletic department. He skillfully handles multiple tasks successfully. He is extremely humble with the ultimate customer service attitude. His focus is on providing student athletes and staff with quality support so that their attention is on performance. Mr. Anderson exemplifies the first District value: We believe that students are our first priority.

**Esteban Andrade** is a senior at Duncanville High School who teacher say is a model student in and out of the classroom. He is captain of the district champion cross country team, and he serves as the Student Council President. Esteban takes an active role in planning and implementing projects, and he encourages all students to participate in council activities.

More [here](#).

Cervantes took third place in mixed doubles.

## Pantherette Bound for Big Apple



Rodney Swisher  
Teacher



Chris Anderson  
Staff



Esteban Andrade  
Student

Pantherettes senior guard Ciera Johnson and Coach Cathy Self-Morgan will be in New York this week to participate in the Jordan Brand Classic. Ciera will play alongside other All-Americans for the East team.

Coach Self-Morgan said she has "the privilege and honor to coach in it."

The game airs on ESPN3, Friday, April 15, at 3:30 p.m.

## DHS Skills USA Students Qualify for Nationals

## Hastings Construction Ahead of Schedule

Construction on the new Hastings Elementary School is ahead of schedule. The roof is complete and finishing touches will come on the interior in the next two months.



Crews are set to demolish the old Hastings in June. Following that, concrete will be poured for the new parking lot and a new playground will be built.

The new Hastings will open for students and staff in August for the 2016 – 2017 school year.

More construction [updates](#).



Duncanville High School SkillsUSA students who advanced from district competitions recently competed in various state contests in Corpus Christi. Six students earned scores at the state contest that have qualified them for the National SkillsUSA contest in June.

View results from the state competition [here](#).

View [photos](#).

## District to Name Baseball Field after Legendary Coach



**Please Join Us**

as we honor  
legendary  
Duncanville High School  
Coach Bob Rombach  
with the renaming  
of Panther Field

**Friday, April 22  
6:30 p.m.  
Panther Field**

*\*reception and light refreshments  
following ceremony*

R.S.V.P. to Carol Rittiman  
(972) 708-2015

## Upcoming Events:

**Duncanville ISD Education Foundation 20th Anniversary Dinner & Auction**, Saturday, April 16, 6:00 - 11:00 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn. Register [here](#).

**Student Council Blood Drive**, Tuesday, April 19, from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. in the foyer of DHS's Shine Performance Hall. District employees and community members do not need an appointment to donate.

**Duncanville ISD's 3rd Annual Districtwide Art Show**, Thursday, April 21, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. The show will feature artwork from students kindergarten through 12th grade. Admission is FREE.

**Duncanville ISD Employee Appreciation Event**, Monday, April 25 at 6:30 p.m. in Shine Performance Hall.

**ACT Tutoring**, Monday, April 25 and Wednesday April 27, 3:15 - 5:15 in B104. Session is free, but students must sign up in B135 to attend.

**Relay for Life of Best Southwest**, May 20, 2016 benefiting the American Cancer Society. Contact Gloria Lockhart at: [glorialockhart63@gmail.com](mailto:glorialockhart63@gmail.com). More information [here](#).



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