HILLGROVE HUDDLE

THE LATEST IN HILLGROVE FOOTBALL. **1.5.22**

WELCOME TO THE HILLGROVE HUDDLE

There are great things happening with Hillgrove Football right now and we intend to use this memo to keep you informed on the latest happenings within our program. During the spring semester, and much of the off-season, expect a bi-weekly release of these memos to keep you up-to-date on team activities, team calendar, recruiting, Gridiron Club initiatives, and more.

UPCOMING DATES / EVENTS

JAN 6 ~ 4-6PM ~ CAFETERIA ~ TEAM MEETING / DRAFT

UPDATE: The AWARDS CEREMONY that was scheduled for 1.11.22 has been postponed on the recommendation of CCSD. We will update you on future plans as soon as possible.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BREAKFAST CLUB begins on ***January 11th at 6:45am***. This *team* workout will take place every Tuesday and Thursday morning at 6:45am. Players will be drafted into teams and use each workout as an opportunity to compete. This initiative is crucial to the development of the individual athlete and to the development of our team. Make plans now!

RECRUITING 101

One of the most underrated aspects of recruiting is the role that the athlete plays in the process. Nothing will ever do more for a potential prospect than great play that results in great film. Even when the film is great, there are still steps that the athlete can take to help college coaches find them. Social media can be vital to your potential recruitment. In particular, Twitter can play a major role in marketing yourself to potential recruiters. Every athlete that may want to play at the next level needs a well-monitored Twitter account. Recruits have to be diligent about the brand that they build on social media. Prospects need to be conscious of every tweet, repeat, and like. Athletes should think of their Twitter as a commercial for who they are as a young man. Colleges want to recruit outstanding players, but they have to recruit young men that will represent their program in a positive way.

Aside from monitoring what you post, there are other vital steps to making the most of your social media presence. Setting up your social media profile can go a long way in making yourself marketable to college coaches. You can find information on how to set up your profile using this **LINK**.

PLAYER SPOTLIGHT

CONGRATULATIONS to the 10 young men recognized by the MDJ as members of the 2021 ALL-COUNTY team. **Zion Rutledge** and **Emory Floyd** garnered 1st Team recognition. **Ben Galloway** and **Rubens Joseph** were named to the 2nd Team. Hillgrove had 6 of our Hawks names honorable mention, that group includes **Sean Cooper, Braylon Hansbrough, Cam Loyd, Kyle McKinney, Chase McCravy, and Zach Wieder.**

Also, please congratulate **Rubens Joseph** as he was selected to play in the GACA All-Star game over the winter break.

GRIDIRON CLUB HIGHLIGHTS

The Hillgrove Gridiron Club has been hard at work to make the the best experience possible for our players. Here is the latest news:

- Player Registration will begin on February 1, 2022. Early bird discounts, as well as scholarships, will be available. Stay tuned for more information.
- Father/Son paintball event will be held Sunday, January 30th from 2-5pm. $40 per person is due at the event. Scholarships are available. Please contact Jim McKinley for details or if you would