

# Spartan Athletic Newsletter

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## North Springs High School

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### Spartans Fall to Jackson Jaguars

By David King

Already minus their starting quarterback, North Springs lost their lone remaining varsity QB Buck Olson in the 2nd quarter against the Maynard Jackson Jaguars at Grady Stadium. Despite strong effort on both sides of the ball, the short-handed Spartans fell 27-7. The 1st quarter featured exchanges of interceptions and fumbles, with no score at the end. The Jaguars opened the scoring with a short touchdown pass on 4th down early in the 2nd quarter. After a Spartan 3-and-out, the Jaguars had a 42-yard drive capped with a 15-yard TD pass late in the half for a 14-0 lead. The Jaguars intercepted another Spartan pass and left QB Olson in a sling. The Spartan defense prevented further scoring before halftime.

The Spartan sideline came to life in the 3rd quarter, as did the offense. Using running back Zahir Nichols as quarterback mixing between wildcat and traditional formations, the Spartans moved the ball well. Nichols raced left to the 40 and then to the 48. Dante Camp made it to the Jaguar 42. Zahir called his own number to the 31 and later on 4th down to the 29, plus flags to the 0. After Zahir carries to the 2-yard line, the Spartans turned the ball over on downs. The Jaguars countered with a long discouraging drive to extend the lead to 20-0 early in the 4th quarter.

After a short Spartan drive, the Jaguars capped off their next drive with a 40-yard TD pass. North Springs kept grinding. Starting at their 20, the Spartans featured Kyree



### Upcoming Sports Events

#### October 2

V. Volleyball @ Discovery  
6:00pm

#### October 3

Softball @ Decatur 4:00pm  
(Playoff Series – Gm 1)

V. Volleyball vs. N. ATL (Sr.  
Night) 5:00pm

Softball @ Decatur 6:00pm  
(Playoff Series – Gm 2)

#### October 4

Softball @ Decatur 5:30pm  
(Playoff Series – if game)

JV Football @ Pope HS  
6:00pm

Freshman Football vs.  
Alpharetta 6:00pm

Swim Interest Meeting  
6:00pm (Media Center)

#### October 5

Varsity Football @ Decatur HS  
7:30pm

#### October 6

Cross Country @ Asics  
Invitational (Alexander HS)  
8:00am

Green for 4, Zahir Nichols for 13, Kyree for 6, a Zahir completion to Nick Keou for 11, Zahir for 23, Michael Pierce to 16, and then a Nichols TD pass to Michael Pierce. Derek Viersen made the PAT to pull within 27-7. The ensuing long kickoff appeared to be recovered by the Spartans in the end zone but was ruled a touch back. The Spartans recovered a pressured punt at the Jaguar 3-yard line but could not add one more TD. The Spartans travel to Decatur Friday.

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## **Softball downs N. Atlanta; Falls to Decatur Last Week**

The North Springs High School Softball Team won against North Atlanta 10-6 last Tuesday night. Pitcher, Caroline Bernstein, picked up the win with 6 strike outs. Megan Stewart, Katherine Davis, and Dani Nicholas led the Spartans at the plate with two hits each. On Thursday, the Lady Spartans played their final region at Decatur. Decatur jumped out to an early 4-0 lead in the 1<sup>st</sup> inning, but the Spartans fought back scoring 1 in the fourth and 2 in the fifth. The Bulldogs added one more run in the bottom of the fifth and held on to win 5-3. The girls currently sit at the #4 spot in Region 6-AAAAA. We will travel to Decatur on Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> for a best of 3 series for the third-place finish in the Region for the season. First pitch is at 4:00pm. Second game will begin at 6:00pm. Game 3 will take place on Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm if necessary.

## **Volleyball to Honor Seniors on Wednesday**

The Lady Spartan Volleyball team will be honoring its Seniors this Wednesday night when they host North Atlanta in their final home match of the season. Senior night ceremony will begin at 5:00pm. Match will begin at 5:30pm. Come out and support our young ladies! Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students.

## **Water Polo Club Finishes 3<sup>rd</sup> at State Tournament**

Congratulations to our Water Polo team and Coach Ferris on their 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish in Division 2 at the State Tournament this weekend! This group has been a bright spot all Fall season. They came one goal shy of playing in the championship. Great season guys!!!

## **Fencing Club Has Great Showing at BEST Academy Tournament**

This weekend our Fencing Team competed in its second tournament of the season against Pine Crest, BEST Academy, Chattahoochee, Walton, Lambert and South Forsyth High Schools.

Congratulations!!! To the Medalists:

For the women:

Senior Elaine Wen – finished in 1st Place – and was awarded the Gold Medal!

Senior Morgan Hill finished in 8<sup>th</sup>, Junior Madeleine Dada and Sophomore Stella Roden tied for 10<sup>th</sup> place.

Freshman Sophia Hawkins finished in 13<sup>th</sup> place and Freshman Madeleine Rosenberg finished in 16<sup>th</sup> place.

All these top women fencers were awarded valuable team points and moved North Springs into the 3<sup>rd</sup> ranked team position in the league with 6 more tournaments remaining on the schedule.

For the men:

Senior Jael Lyons  
Junior Christian Norman  
Junior Taji Muhammad  
Sophomore Jim Sorensen  
Sophomore Tyler McCubbins  
Freshman Giorgio Freitas  
Freshman John Hopkins  
Freshman Kevin Gray

All advanced to the to the direct elimination rounds of competition. Congratulations to the Fencing Team!

## **Swimming Interest Meeting – Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup>!**

Swim will have another interest meeting for all athletes and parents this Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm in the media center. This is for sizing and ordering of swimwear as well as warm-ups. You don't want to miss this important meeting. Any questions, please contact Coach Nancy Delano at [delanonm@fultonschools.org](mailto:delanonm@fultonschools.org).

## 2018-19 North Springs Head Coach/Director List

### Fall Sports

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## **Athletic Event Tickets Now Available Online with GoFan!**

Want to avoid the lines at Friday Night Football games...

Forgot to swing by the ATM on the way to the game...

Well Spartans...

North Springs has partnered with GoFan to bring you the convenience of being able to purchase your tickets online from your mobile phone. There are no extra convenience fees or surcharges. Once you have purchased your online ticket, just bring your mobile phone to the event entrance and one of the ticket personnel will validate your purchase. Visit the link below to begin purchasing your event tickets on your mobile phone!

[North Springs Online Event Tickets](#)

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