

Anitra Davis was the greatest female athlete in the history of Belton High School. She became the first Belton girl to make all-state in basketball and the first Belton athlete, male or female, to be named 4-A all-state as a freshman when she was selected to the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches' all-state team in 1992. Davis also made all-state as a sophomore and junior at Belton before transferring to Houston Madison where she was all-state in 5-A and was voted 5-A player of the year by the Coaches Association. She was also a Parade Magazine and Kodak All-American (and one of USA Today's top 25 recruits in the nation) as a senior in 1995. She became one of only 30 girls in the history of Texas (and the first in Belton) to be named all-state for four straight years. Anitra starred at Stephen F. Austin University from 1996-1999 and was the leading scorer and rebounder in the conference as a senior.

Anitra Davis was born on Oct. 12, 1976, in Brenham TX and was raised by her mother, Sandra Murray, with her brother, Jon, and sister, Amber, and attended BHS thru her junior year. She was also a volleyball star as she was a starter as a freshman and made all-district as a sophomore. As a junior she was named the MVP of the District in Volleyball and the outstanding female athlete at BHS. Davis was a 6-ft. freshman forward on the Lady Tiger basketball team in 1992 that finished second in District 18-4A and became the first team in the school's history to make the playoffs. The Lady Tigers under Coach Chris Bentley were 19-13 on the year (a marked improvement over the 7-21 record in 1991) and lost 49-46 in Bi-District to Corsicana. Davis averaged 20 points and 10 rebounds per game on the season and had a career high 42 points against Copperas Cove. She was named to the 3rd team 4-A All-State team selected by the Coaches Association and to the 1st team All-Regional Team.

Anitra was named 1st team 4-A all-state by the Texas Basketball Coaches Association in her sophomore year of 1993 after averaging 24 points and 13 rebounds per game for the 18-14 Lady Tiger team who tied for 2nd in the District and lost to Georgetown in a District playoff game. In Anitra's junior season of 1994 the Lady Tigers dropped to a 14-16 record and finished 3rd in District. However, Anitra averaged 27.8 points and 15 rebounds per game and was again named 1st team all-state by the Basketball Coaches. Before her senior season she was listed by Street and Smith's basketball magazine and by USA Today as one of the top high school seniors in the nation for the forthcoming year. Anitra transferred to Houston Madison for her senior year and averaged 21 points and 11 rebounds and 3.2 blocked shots per game leading the Lady Marlins to a "final four" appearance in the 5-A state tournament where Madison was beaten by Austin Westlake. Madison was ranked no. 1 in the state and 13th in the nation (by USA Today) before its semi-final loss and finished the season at 33-2. Anitra was named the MVP of District 17-5A, and to the 1st team all-Houston Area team. She was named to the 1st team 5-A all-state team selected by the Texas Sports Writers Association and 1st team all-state by the Basketball Coaches Association which also voted her the 5-A player of the year in Texas. Anitra was also named to

the Parade Magazine high school All-American 3rd team; to the Kodak All-American team; and was ranked by USA Today as one of the 25 top players in the U.S. Anitra was one of four Texans to play in the Foot Locker Girls All-America Game in Altoona.

Anitra Davis is arguably the greatest female athlete in the history of Belton H.S. with the only other candidate being Daliann James, a four-time state champion and two-time national champion in powerlifting who was ranked #1 in the world in her junior weight division in 2009. Anitra was a 6'1" forward at Stephen F. Austin University from 1996-1999 and averaged 14.4 ppg during her career (8.4 ppg as a freshman, 14.0 as a sophomore, 15.9 as a junior and 19.6 as a senior) and shot 52% from the field, 70% at the free throw line and 26% from the 3-point line over her four years. She was 1st team All-Southland Conference as a junior and as a senior led the conference in scoring (19.6 ppg---21st in the nation) and rebounds (9.1). She was also 2nd in the conference in FGs at 52%, 4th in FTs at 75%, and 6th in blocked shots at 0.8. She had a perfect game on Jan. 2, 1999, when she shot 10 of 10 from the field and 9 of 9 from the free throw line.

Anitra graduated from SFA in 1999 with a degree in criminal justice and played pro basketball in France for a short time in 2000. In 2000-01 she played for the semi-pro Houston Jaguars of the National Women's Basketball League before retiring from pro basketball. She taught and coached at Dowling Middle School in Houston and in 2009 is a basketball and volleyball coach at Austin H.S. in Houston.