

Katy ISD Athletic Department
Leadership Katy, November 10, 2011

Debbie Decker, Assistant Athletic Director, Katy ISD
Allen High School Graduate
Athletic Administrator for 12 years, 6 years in Katy ISD
I initiated and organized the first UIL Softball Program in McKinney ISD.

The Katy ISD Athletic Department's aim is to coordinate, resource, and provide support to our coaches so that they may maximize their time with our student-athletes.

Rhodes Stadium – Safe and Memorable Experience

- Operations – Maintenance, Custodial Support, Concessions, Transportation, Police/Security, Medical Support
- Production – Media, LAMBS Crew, Band, Dance Teams, Cheerleaders, Campus Events/Culture (Homecoming, Parent Night, etc...), Sponsors
- Game – Game Officials, Coaches and Players
- #1 Home-Field Advantage Stadium in 9/1/2011 *Houston Chronicle*

Participation – 15,000 Student Athletes

- 1/3 of secondary students in KISD participate in Athletics
- Student/Athletes in the 2011 Graduating class received \$5 million in scholarships
- Katy ISD offers students so many opportunities to be involved; Strength and Conditioning, C Teams, comprehensive off-season programs for our athletes, we recruit and retain the best coaches in the state

Over 13,000 Katy ISD Athletic Events in a Year

- Majority of athletic events are held on the campuses; exceptions Jr. Tennis, Track, Football
- Six high school varsity football teams playing in one stadium, high school #7 in 2014, scheduling concerns, looking at options
- Athletic Department coordinates all of the athletic events with the Campus Athletic Coordinator and the Campus Principal through weekly and bi-monthly coordinator meetings
- Currently we have six High School Campus Athletic Coordinators and twelve Junior High Campus Athletic Coordinators along with over 400 outstanding coaches in Katy ISD

Safety of Our Students

- Katy ISD provides Student Athletic Insurance as a secondary policy. The district also provides a Catastrophic Policy
- Katy ISD has partnered with Memorial Hermann and received staff training as well as over \$100,000 in grants annually
- Every coach completes 7 hours of health and safety training per year; CPR, AED, RCP, etc...
- 2009 synthetic turf was installed on each high school competition field and according to our Campus Athletic Trainers, "there was a decrease in avoidable injuries". The addition of synthetic turf also made our grass practice fields safer.

Synthetic Turf

- 2009-present no games have been postponed or cancelled due to field conditions
- Fields are utilized by football, soccer, PE classes, town pep rallies, band, dance teams, cheerleaders, off-season workouts for all sports, softball and baseball practices, and youth sports. No cancellations!
- Our students are the sole beneficiary of the synthetic turf.

Continuing the Tradition of Excellence in Katy ISD

- **Won sixteen State Championships** combined in Cross Country, Tennis, Swimming and Diving, Soccer, Wrestling, Track and Field, and Football
- Six State Championships in Football at Katy High School, G. Joseph

KATY ISD DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS 2011-12 OVERVIEW

