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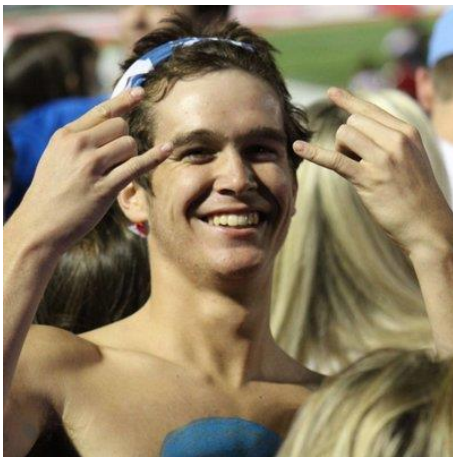
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Veterans High Student Named Positive Athlete State Winner PHS Student Regional Winner



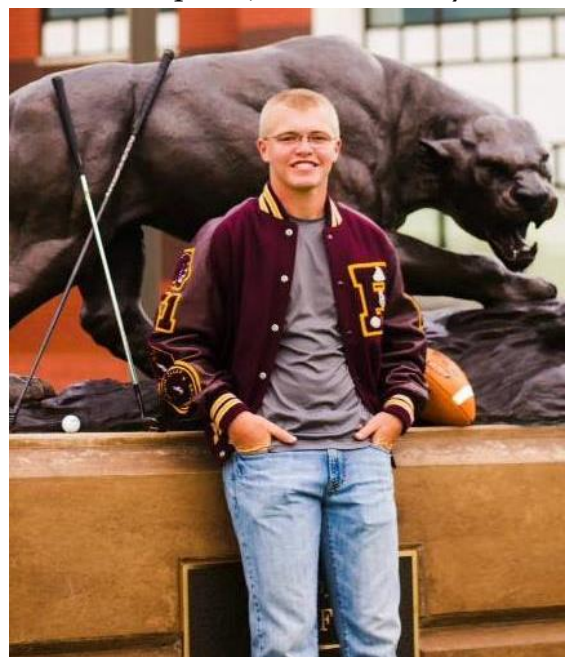
HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – Veterans High School 2018 graduate Hayden Chunn (pictured left and below) has been named a statewide *Positive Athlete* for Swimming & Diving. He was recognized at the Georgia Positive Athlete Awards on June 5, 2018, at the College Football Hall of Fame. More than 5,400 student-athletes and coaches from 400+ high schools were nominated this year.

Hayden is a multi-sport athlete who was nominated for tennis and swimming. He was in the top 12 percent of his graduating class and on the honor roll. As swim team captain, he led the boys' team to the 2017 county and region championships and had the number one

county individual backstroke time for 2018. Hayden also assists fellow students with math and writing assignments outside of school. He won the President's Volunteer Service Award and was the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCLA) Leader.

Perry High School 2018 graduate Payton Moss (pictured right) was a *Positive Athlete* regional winner in Golf. Only about seven percent of the nominees were recognized as a regional winner.

Payton also wrestles, plays football and is an active FCLA member. He ranked 6th out of 268 in his graduating class and plans to pursue a career in manufacturing engineering.





A Positive Athlete exhibits these traits: optimism, encourager, servant leader, heart for others, admits imperfections, always gives 100 percent and puts the team first. The program features high-character current and former professional athletes, led by Super Bowl XL MVP Hines Ward. They are role models for young athletes because they make positive contributions to their communities, overcame difficult circumstances with a positive attitude and believe that a positive attitude is essential to success.

The Middle Georgia Region consists of the following counties: Baldwin, Bibb, Bleckley, Crawford, Dodge, Hancock, Houston, Jasper, Johnson, Jones, Laurens, Monroe, Montgomery, Peach, Pulaski, Putnam, Telfair, Treutlen, Twiggs, Washington, Wheeler, Wilcox and Wilkinson.

Veterans High School is located at 340 Piney Grove Road in Kathleen. Christopher Brown serves as principal. Perry High School is located at 1307 North Avenue in Perry. Wesley "Del" Martin serves

as principal. For more information, please visit PositiveAthlete.org.

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