

• **DENHAM SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL** •
ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

Class of 2022

COLE DOIRON
(ATHLETE)

Cole Doiron was a celebrated receiver whose star shone bright in 1987 when he was selected to the Class 4A All State football team as the state's best tight end in its highest classification. He was the X-factor who helped bomb-throwing quarterback Chris Lee become the Yellow Jackets' first 1,000-yard passer in school history, accounting for nearly half of Lee's total passing yards. His speed and supple hands were rare for a tight end. As a senior, he caught 41 passes for 513 yards and five touchdowns—remarkable statistics at a position commonly relegated to blocking defensive linemen in run-heavy offenses. A rugged competitor, he commanded the respect of his teammates when honored as Team Captain. Doiron was pivotal in leading DSHS to a 9-3 season and a run in the state playoffs where he ended a heralded career versus regional power Shaw with a six-catch, 67-yard effort. He received an athletic scholarship to play football at Delta State University.

SCOTTY FONTENOT
(ATHLETE)

Scotty Fontenot—valedictorian, star quarterback, star shortstop, senior class president—may be as close as DSHS will ever get to having a Renaissance Man on campus. The two-time All District QB led Jacket gridders to an 11-2 record and to the state quarterfinals in 1985. Later that school year, the All District shortstop helped lead DSHS to its first ever state title in baseball. A three-sport letterman and three-year starter and Team Captain in football, he also excelled academically with a career 4.0 GPA and a spot on the All A's Honor Roll all four years at DSHS. In football he ran for 587 yards and 11 TDs and completed 49 of 95 passes for 863 yards and 12 TDs his senior season. Later that year in baseball, he batted .361 and stole 31 bases in 31 attempts. His trip to the Babe Ruth World Series as a youth foreshadowed his NCAA Regionals play in 1989 with nationally ranked Nicholls State where he was starting shortstop four seasons and stole 96 bases in 115 tries.

TROY FONTENOT

(ATHLETE)

A heralded Class 4A All State defensive safety in football (1982), Troy Fontenot was also a two-time All District safety and the district's Defensive Player of the Year as a senior. He was among the rarest of defenders who had a sixth sense for finding the football. His uncanny nose for the pigskin resulted in nine interceptions and four fumble recoveries over two seasons. He set the school record for most interceptions in a season, with eight in only nine games, and tied the record for most in one game with three picks that directly led to an upset victory over Hammond. It was also rare to have such a rugged athlete as the team's quarterback who prided himself, first, in being a "hitter." Fontenot capped a brilliant career on the gridiron by his selection to the prestigious LHSAA All Star football game, though he did not play. He was recruited by such schools as Louisiana Tech and TCU but elected not to compete at the collegiate level. A superb athlete and leader.

NATALIE LANDRY

(ATHLETE)

A versatile three-sport star and superior athlete, Natalie Landry was a celebrated two-time Class 5A All State outfielder in softball (2011, 2012) after becoming a three-time All District and All Parish honoree, and two-time Baton Rouge All Metro selection. She led the Lady Jackets to three state softball tournaments, with a state runner-up finish in 2011. Landry batted .415, slammed 27 RBIs, and won Academic All State laurels as a senior. In track and field, she was Parish Champion in the 100-meter dash and placed sixth in the state in the 55-meter hurdles. She earned Most Blocks honors in volleyball (2010). She shined in the prestigious LHSAA All Star softball game as MVP in 2012. Her AAU team (Chaos) won the AAU World Series title in 2011. Landry earned a softball scholarship to Northwestern State University where she was a four-year starter, blasted four career grand slam homeruns, and helped the Lady Demons to three Southland Conference titles.

DEE RANCHER LANGLOIS

(ATHLETE)

Dee Rancher was a versatile softball star who was a four-time All District choice, earning District MVP laurels in 1995 for her sterling play as both a pitcher and second baseman. She helped lead the Lady Jackets to four straight district titles and was described by Hall of Fame coach Robbie Spangler as “the best second baseman I’ve ever seen.” She was also a great student, recognized as honorable mention Academic All State. She earned a softball scholarship to SLU where she was a four-year starter and named to All Louisiana, All Southland Conference, and All South Region teams as a senior (1999). That season she batted .405 with 45 RBIs and 10 home runs. Rancher set SLU records for most hits in a season (68), most RBIs in a game (7), total bases in a season (117), most extra base hits in a season (27), and most career home runs (13). During her tenure with the Lady Lions, she was also a part time pitcher with a career 12-12 record and 3.46 ERA.