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Compton College Athletics Fall Sports End 2018 with Postseason Honors

Compton College Tartar Athletics celebrated its student-athletes and coaches by ending the fall season with Coach of the Year and All-Conference honors for football and men's and women's soccer, respectively.

Coach of the Year

Compton College first-year head football Coach Al Dorsey was named the 2018 American Metro League Coach of the Year. Dorsey previously served as the offensive line coach and run-game coordinator for the Tartars during the past two seasons.

"I am very honored to receive this award after the fight and perseverance that the team put up this season," Dorsey said. "I feel that the Compton College football team is moving in the right direction, and I look forward to rebuilding the program and leading it to reach its potential. I want to continue to help develop strong players with an excellent work ethic, while connecting with the community at large."

Prior to joining Compton College, Dorsey coached at the high school level after a four-year stint as administrative assistant for the University of Southern California's football program under then-head coach Pete Carroll. During his time with the Trojans, he helped with both the offensive and defensive line and assisted the team to three Rose Bowl games.

As a player, he began his career as linebacker at Long Beach City College (LBCC), leading the team to a 1995 National Championship. His efforts earned him Defensive Player of the Year honors, and he was named All-American First Team. In 2010, he was inducted into the LBCC Hall of Champions.

After his two years with the Vikings, he transferred to the University of California, Berkeley, immediately earning a starting spot at linebacker. He was named All-Pac-10 Honorable Mention and earned an invitation to the Hula Bowl Senior Game. Post-college, he briefly played with the Los Angeles Avengers.

Football Players Earn American Metro League Honors

Tartar football sophomore linebackers [Shepherd Grant](#) and [Fernando Navarro](#) were both named as second team selections. Grant led the team with 51 total tackles on the season (35 solo, 16 assists) to average 5.7 tackles per game. He earned two tackles for loss for a total of seven yards. Navarro finished the 2018 season third on the team in tackles with 38 (14 solo, 16 assists) to average 3.0 per game. He counted two pass breakups, 0.5 tackles for loss for a yard, and a fumble recovery.

Women's Soccer Players Named All-Conference

Sophomores [Carina Perez](#) and [Rosalyn Ascencio](#) earned their second-straight All-South Coast Conference South First Team honor, while freshmen [Chloe Robinson](#) and [Jeanna Marin](#) backed them up with second team accolades.

Perez led the Tartar women's soccer offense with four goals and one assist, attempting 18 shots on the season with 10 on goal. Ascencio led the conference with 156 saves during the season.

Robinson played in all 19 games with an assist and a pair of shots, and Marin, who missed a portion of the end of the season, scored four goals and added assists with eight shots.

Four Men's Soccer Players Tabbed All-Conference

Four Compton College men's soccer players were named to the All-South Coast Conference South Division teams.

Sophomore [Jose Castaneda](#) and freshman [David Trevino-Lermas](#) were tabbed first team, while freshmen [Benjamin Palafox](#) and [Jose Rodriguez](#) were second team selections.

Castaneda played in all 19 games for the Tartars at midfielder, counting five shots, including two on goal. Trevino-Lermas played in 17 games at midfielder with two goals, both against Cerritos College, with 10 total shots on the season, four on goal.

Palafox played in all 19 games at defender with three goals and one assist. He connected on all three shot on goal attempts with five total shot attempts.

Rodriguez, the Compton College Tartar Athletics September Male Athlete of the Month, played in all 19 games at forward, leading the team with seven goals and seven assists, including one game winner against Victor Valley College. On the season, he took 41 shots, 20 on goal.

Photo of Head Football Coach Al Dorsey Available online:

<http://www.compton.edu/adminandoperations/publicrelations/images/2018/Al-Dorsey.jpg>

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