

1. **BALANCING THE BALL**, senior Dagn Getu practices his headers. "I scored 3 goals my first game which made me happy, soccer mkes my life simple and happy. When I'm in the field I feel talented and happy," Getu said. Getu made the most goals in the state ranking him as number one. *photo by mariana ortega rivera* 2. **REGROUPING WITH TEAMMATES**, junior Anis Hule pushes himself to win this match. "I think the game went well, our team fought hard but we did not come out with a win," Hule said. Hule does a prayer before everygame. *photo by mariana ortega rivera* 3. **CATCHING UP**, senior Arse Ketu runs to steal the ball from his opponent. "I havent played soccer in for the past 2 years and I couldnt even run fast. I choose to play soccer for my frist time and I improved alot "Ketu said. Ketu sets personal goals before each game. *photo by mariana ortega rivera*



**SPORTSMANSHIP.**

**WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT MAKE?**

"Sportsmanship makes a difference in a game because it makes the game go faster and smoother."

- sophomore Komil Khatamov

"It's necessary because your team needs you and it might cost both of you and your team if you don't behave well."

- junior Munaf Harun

"It shows what kind of person you are and what people think of you."

- sophomore Giovanni Valle

"Everyone getting along like a family and setting an example for the next generation of varsity"

- senior Eddie Silva

**TOPPING THE CHARTS** a senior who made an impact on the school soccer team

As he made his mark in our school early in the season, **senior Dagn Getu** was number one in the state for most scored goals and points a few weeks into the season.

"I feel great, finding out this accomplishment helps me work harder," said Getu, who was known for his continual practice and hard work.

**GETU WAS BORN IN ETHIOPIA.** He worked with his father to become a more competitive player. "My father helps me train everyday," Getu said. The senior said his father motivated him to play and encourages him to be a good and professional soccer player.

Getu's work ethic made a big impact on the varsity soccer program as he worked closely with his team members.

The team treated each other as if

they were brothers, Getu said, and when they connect, they work harder, communicate better and win games.

**"I WORK HARD EVERY PRACTICE AND WORK WITH MY TEAM MATES,"** Getu said.

The soccer season proved to have its challenges for Getu, who said that the biggest challenges came when his Varsity teammates didn't work together and communicate. **DESPITE HIS EARLY-SEASON SUCCESS, GETU SAID HE KNOWS THAT SOCCER IS NOT A ONE MAN SPORT.**

Getu was four years old when he started playing soccer and he doesn't plan on stopping.

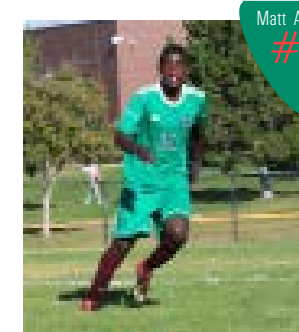
Although he didn't end the season at number one, Getu hoped to continue playing soccer with support from his father.



4. **DRENCHING THE COACH**, junior Luis Soto celebrates the last game of the season. "The last game was a good win for Overland and a happy last game of the season, personally the coach was a good person but things would take a left very often." Soto said. Soto hopes his athletic ability gets him a scholarship for collage. *photo by joanna miranda* 5. **ATTEMPTING TO TACKLE**, senior Lacina Sangare makes a tackle. "Playing sports in general helps me focus more on my well being so in th efuture the skills i developed playing," Sangare said. Sangare injured himself right after the tackle. *photo by mariana ortega rivera* 6. **ATTEMPTING TO TACKLE**, sophomore Jesus Castro kicks the ball to score. "It feels amazing, it's a dream I like to do daily . Soccer helps my future becuae it's something that keeps me going instead of satying home," said Castro. Castro has been playing soccer since he was 4 years old. *photo by mariana ortega rivera*



**TRAINING MAKES THE DIFFERENCE** seven days without soccer makes one weak



"On Tuesdays and Thursdays I wake up early in the morning, and I'll go for weight training."  
- junior Matt Anderson

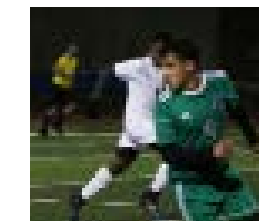


"After school, I go to practice to help improve my games then I go home and study so I can keep up my grades."  
- junior Lacina Sangare

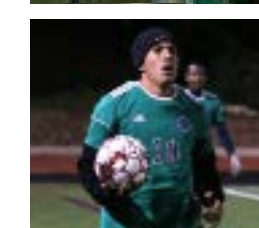


"In the off season, I play club soccer, it's very demanding. I also do cross fit at home."  
- senior Taylor Hail

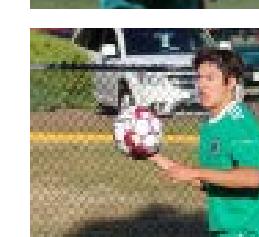
**IT'S ALL IN THE ADVICE** varsity boys give tips for next year's generation of soccer players



"Work hard every day, find time to kick the ball around, put the work in now so you're prepared next season."  
- senior Elias Varel



"Show nothing but respect to everyone on the team and always be humble to get to learn new things and to get better."  
- senior Manny Fernandez



"Be mentally disciplined and strive to make the team more successful with your efforts you put into the team."  
- senior Mikey Mendoza