



back 2 back.

football wins the state championship title again.

Winning a state championship title creates overwhelming emotions for both the players and coaches. However, imagine winning a state championship for a second year in a row. That is exactly what the football team accomplished this year. With the stands cheering, "back to back" in the stands, the team knew that they had done it again. "It is a really special feeling to achieve a dream twice, and there aren't enough words to explain how good it feels to win again with my brothers," said **Aidan Cullen (12)**.

The team has been working extremely hard since the beginning of the year to carry out their goals. The team practiced for six days a

week, every week, in order to become the best they could be. Practice was held for two to three hours, meaning that the student athletes had to be able to balance both their academic workload along with training hard for games. This is no easy feat, with juniors and seniors often having hours of homework every night.

One of the victories that boosted the team's spirit was their win against Lewis-Palmer with a final score of 42-0. "My favorite part of the season was proving LP is our son and showing them who really runs this town," said **Ty Evans (12)**. Winning against Lewis-Palmer let the team keep the league cup and pumped them up to finish off the season with all they had.



1. After the state game, **Raef Ruel (11)** raises his MVP trophy. 2. **Deuce Roberson (11)** looks to score a touchdown. Roberson plays wide receiver and corner back. "The feeling of winning state is indescribable," said Roberson. 3. **Ty Evans (12)** celebrates the state championship win with the team. Evans has been playing football for six years. "To go back-to-back is not something a lot of people can do," said Evans. 4. **Sam Harper (12)** and **AJ Carpenter (12)** enjoy the game. Harper has been playing for nine years, and Carpenter has been playing for six years. "My favorite memory was when coach Carlton laughed at one of my jokes," said Carpenter.



5. **Charlie Deeds (12)** punts the ball across the field. Deeds has been playing football for 8 years. "It was awesome, winning back to back will be something I will always remember," said Deeds. 6. **Deuce Roberson (11)** avoids a tackle while going for more yards. Roberson has been playing for 4 years. "I practice 5 days a week, 3 hours a day," said Roberson. 7. **Aidan Cullen (12)** and **Josiah Castro (12)** hug after an

from one to another.

these soccer players kick for the football team.

The football wanted to increase their skills in the kicking area. In order to do this they recruited some members of the soccer team to be their star kickers. "The kicking style was different than in soccer, but I was able to adjust" said **Zach Pribyl (11)**. Making every field goal showed the switch paid off.



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Kutlwano Shai (11)

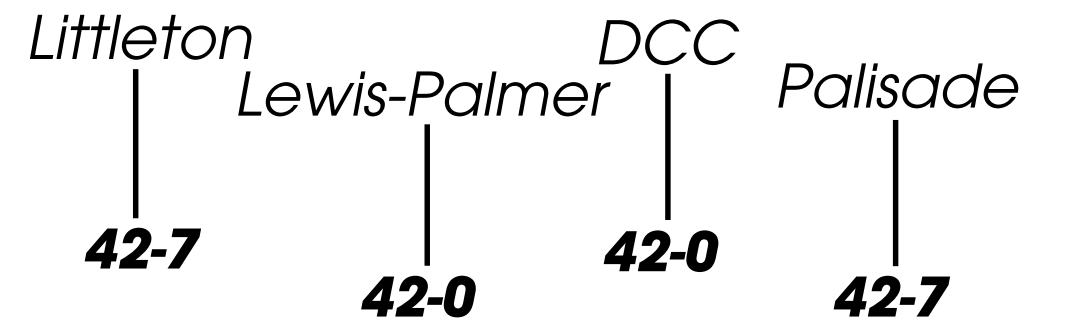


"A challenge I have overcome was leaving my loved ones in South Africa in order to study in the US as an exchange student. I have had to start a new way of life in the ten months that I am here. Being here has taught me to appreciate all the opportunities that are given to you as a person on a daily basis. I have been able to learn the culture of America, as well as teach others about my culture from home. This country has made me so happy and has created a future leader out of me because I can teach all my family and friends about my experiences!"



8. **Charlie Deeds (12)** and **Kaden Dudley (10)** tackle their opponent. They both have been playing football for eight years. "We practice everyday for about 2 hours even on holidays," said Dudley. amazing play was done by the team. "It is a really special feeling to achieve a dream twice; there aren't words to explain how good it feels to win again with my brothers," said Cullen.

lucky number 42?



Is 42 the team's lucky number? Starting from the beginning of the season football won four of their games with a score of 42 points. This is the score the team defeated our rival, Lewis-Palmer with. This consistency drove them all the way to state where they scored 47

points against Pueblo East. "My favorite memory from the season was going up to Palisade. Lucky number 42 shows how explosive our offense is and that we have a powerhouse team," said **Anthony Costanzo (9)**.

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