



**1. UNITED BROTHERS:** Senior Parker Landry and Cooper Landry, the Dynamic Duo, as their team refers them. After pulling out with the win over DC, the two accumulated points. “We figure out what we need to do; how we can break down the

defense as we both play offense and we just go out and compete to win and that keeps us running,” Parker said. **2. BETTER TOGETHER:** Senior Parker Landry fights rival Douglas County for yet another possession won.

# Shoot Your Shot

Unified athletes start their soccer season and continue to show happiness and smiles throughout each game.

The unified soccer team has kicked off the year. With a team so full of encouragement and support, most student athletes are always ready to play.

The student athletes in the SSN are able to show their competitive and loving spirit through the sports program. Being able to play a sport with your friends and peers supporting you creates a loving and fun environment for senior Ethan Snow, sophomore Brody Cauble and senior Shivam Talwar.

“I am happy when I work together with my team,” Snow said. “It is a lot of fun playing soccer with my friends.”

Snow, Cauble and Talwar played in the unified program last year. The encouraging environment makes it comfortable for the student athletes to get competitive.

“I get happy when people cheer for me,” Cauble said.

With their fans cheering them on, the students know it’s ok to

make mistakes on the field. Being comfortable allows the athletes try and explore every position.

“My favorite part is goalie and kicking,” Snow said.

No matter the position, the students are happy with the way they play.

“My favorite part is scoring.”

Talwar said.

Coach and teacher Nicole Jones also gets a kick out of watching her students participate.

“There’s some days where work is stressful and when I get to the soccer field and watch these kids play. It’s like therapy,” Jones said. “I love seeing them encourage each other.”

The athletes and coaches enjoy seeing the encouragement and support on and off the field. Having a positive and loving environment creates a safe space for the majority of the SSN students to get into a competitive attitude and enjoy playing the sport they love.



**GAME DAY:** Talwar was through a tunnel made by the poms and cheer team after his game. After the CV versus DC game Talwar and his team get to run through a tunnel while being congratulated by their supporters. “I love playing soccer,” Talwar said.

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