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May 15th 2004
JV & Varsity Banquet
Signature Gardens

May 20th 2004
Junior High Banquet
Belen Jesuit

*Dearest Lord,
Teach me to be generous.
Teach me to serve you as you deserve,
To give and not to count the cost,
To fight and not to heed the wounds,
To toil and not to seek for rest,
To labor and not to ask for reward,
Save that of knowing that I am doing your will.*

St. Ignatius of Loyola

A RECAP OF THE 2003-2004 ATHLETIC SEASON

Our 2003-2004 sports season has been an outstanding one as evident in the current standings that Belen holds in the FHSAA over-all athletic program for boys 2A. Belen currently ranks 2nd over all in the State; just 2 points behind State power house, The Bolles School from Jacksonville. Excellence in sports is also evident with the 3 individuals who won State Championships in a particular sport. Jeffrey Vivó won back to back State Championships in Swimming. Jason Machado made history by winning his 3rd consecutive State Championship in Wrestling and Javier García-Tuñón came back home with individual State titles in the 110 high hurdles and in the 300 intermediate hurdles. He is considered by many as the best hurdler in Dade County. He also graduates with 9 new school records in the sport of Track and Field.

VARSIY BASKETBALL

Another milestone was the superb effort recorded by our Varsity Basketball team on their historic victory over Christopher Columbus, in front of the largest crowd ever to attend the Goizueta Athletic Center. They also went on to win their District Championship and took first place honors at the Félix Varela Pre-Season Classic and the Sunset Tournament. Alejandro Tellería was named to the All-State Honorable Mention team.

VARSIY FOOTBALL

The Varsity Football team overcame a slow start, and still managed to get deep into the State play-offs, a remarkable feat and a test to their character and excellent leadership.

VARSIY BASEBALL

The Varsity Baseball team had another winning season and has secured a first seed in the District play-offs. Gabriel Hernández has signed with FIU and is projected to be among the top picks in this summer's Major League draft. Catcher Daniel Márquez also signed with FIU, Mario García signed with Spring Hill College, Robert Pérez signed with Le Moyne College and Matthew Maranges signed with Georgetown.

VARSIY CROSS COUNTRY

The Varsity Cross Country team recorded another unbeaten season finishing 10 and 0, were Regional Champions, recorded major wins at the FIU Invitational, Gulliver Invite and the Jr. Orange Bowl. The team went on to finish 3rd in the State Championships. Eduardo Argüello led the team by winning one of the most prestigious races in the State, where he recorded the fastest time of any cross country runner in the State of Florida. Javier Cruz, Paul Santuoso and Michael Jalil were first team All-County selections.

VARSIY GOLF

The Varsity Golf team finished with a record of 12 and 2 as well as a 4th place finish in all of Dade County, leading the young Wolverine squad were 8th-graders Richard Massa, Andy Pumariega and 9th grader Ricky Escobar.

VARSIY SOCCER

The Varsity Soccer team led by All-American Alimer González finished with a record of 19-5-1. Won the District Championship and finished as Regional Runner-up. Carlos Ortega, Borja Polo and Alimer González made the First team All-County.

VARSIY SWIMMING

The Varsity Swim team finished with a record of 6 and 0, as well as a 1st place in Districts and in the Dade County Youth Fair. Javier Basnuevo, Jeffrey Vivó, Francisco Lacayo, Julio Robla and Javier Fonseca were First team All-County members.

VARSIY TENNIS

The Tennis team finished as District Runner-up. Juan Boloña had a regular season record of 13-0 and Steve Pessoa was the team's number 1 player.

VARSIY TRACK AND FIELD

The Varsity Track and Field team finished with a record of 22-0. Captured first place at the Fr. Luis Ripoll Relays, 2nd places at the Dade County Youth Fair, Angelini Relays and District; 3rd in the Region. Guerdi Fabre, Javier García-Tuñón, Eduardo Argüello, Javier Cruz, Paul Santuoso and Javier Zamparelli qualified for the State Championship finals.

VARSITY ROLLER HOCKEY

The new team in town, the Roller Hockey team becomes a recognized club and skates on to their first championship.

VARSITY CREW

The Varsity Crew team registered a 3rd-place finish in the FSRA State Championships 4 boat. The team also went on to two gold medals and one silver medal in the lower divisions. José Ugas was the team's top rower.

VARSITY WATER POLO

The Varsity Water Polo ended their inaugural season with a record of 9 and 6. All of their players were in 10th grade or below, so the future looks very bright for the young team.

MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS

The Jr. High sports program continues their dominance as our Basketball team, Cross Country, Track, Soccer and Flag Football, all win ACC championships. The Swimming team won the Dade County Championship. The 6th grade Cross Country, Baseball, Basketball and Track teams also came away with ACC titles.

NEW PROJECTS

The athletic complex is now completed and history was made this year as Belen was selected as District host for many events and most of the ACC big events were held at the school. The new athletic bathrooms and the new concession stand are now near completion. The landscaping project is now completed and the new warehouse that is located between the tennis courts and the back parking lot is now in use, and it has provided the school to clear up space. Also more classroom space has been added from the old warehouse.

We will begin a campaign to name the stadium bleachers. \$100.00 will be all that is needed to put a name in one of the benches. The first names to be placed up will be those from Sergio and Marisa Méndez, Louis, Daniel and Sarah Méndez and the O'Connor Family.

MANY, MANY THANKS:

On behalf of our school administration, coaches, and athletes we should like to thank the parents, teachers, alumni and sponsors for their great support. Special thanks go to the *Vincam*, the *Yearbook*, Student Council, Key Club, Mrs. Lourdes Vega, Mr. Bryan Lorenzo, Mr. Germán Delgado, Mr. Augusto Venegas, Mr. Víctor Arrieta, Mrs. Cristina Casero and all of the club moderators.

A special note of gratitude to the parents that helped with the organization of the Sports Banquet, Mrs. Dina Castro has been outstanding! Mrs. Isabel García-Tuñón, Mrs. Mari Maranges, Mrs. Patricia Velasco, Mrs. Ana Manrara, Mrs. Peggy Vivó, Mrs. Alina Díaz, Mrs. Marta Cruz, , Mrs. Aime García, Mrs. Mayra Pérez, Mrs. Maggie León, Mrs. Lourdes Fontela and Mrs. Lourdes Vega.

Special thanks to all of the parents who helped with the different sports: Mr. Julio López, Water Polo; Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Fernández, Dr. and Mrs. Tellería in Basketball; Mrs. Desady González, Mrs. Luly Ortega in Soccer; Mrs. Ana Menocal, Mrs. García and Mrs. Espinosa in Jr. High Basketball; Mr. Rick Laviña, Ray Casas and Ralph Egües in Crew; Mr. Gabriel Hernández, Mr. Dick Coss, Mr. Steve Calderón and Mr. Albert Pérez in Baseball; Mr. and Mrs. Baran and Mr. Víctor Díaz in Track; Mrs. Alvarado and Mr. and Mrs Santurio in 6th grade Basketball; Mr. and Mrs. Fenton, Mr. and Mrs. Sosa, Mr. and Mrs. Castro and Mr. and Mrs. Romero in Football.

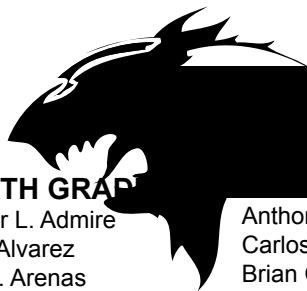
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A special note of gratitude to our entire coaching staff, for their great work and commitment to Belen Jesuit and its Athletic department. Mrs. Carol Vila, Mr. Juan Rodríguez, Mr. Francisco Ruiz, Ms. Adriana Suárez, Ms. María Elena Cartaya, Fr. Willy García-Tuñón, Mrs. Beatriz Jiménez and all of the teachers who attended games and who gave their support and all others who helped out throughout the year.

Coach Carlos Barquín

Success is peace of mind which is a direct result of self-satisfaction in knowing you did your best to become the best that you are capable of becoming.

John R. Wooden



SIXTH GRADE

Alexander L. Admire
 Pablo A. Alvarez
 Valentin I. Arenas
 Marcos D. Calderón
 Sebastián Cardona
 Félix C. Castillo
 Javier B. Del Riego
 Max A. Echarte
 Stephen E. Fernández
 Edward A. Franca
 Carlos J. García-Vélez
 Brix A. Gómez
 Juan C. González
 David J. Iparraguirre
 Diego I. Juncadella
 Arturo D. Martínez
 Gianfranco A. Matute
 Frank A. Méndez
 Brandon R. Mesa
 Landon E. Michelson
 Nik M. Nevin
 Andrés F. Novoa
 Alexander C. Olesen
 Juan I. Ouvia
 Carlos A. Padrón
 Christopher Palomo
 Christopher Pérez-Tirse
 Ryan E. Peters
 Fabio F. Raucci
 Tyler J. Riverón
 Devon J. Silverang
 Sebastián M. Silverio

SEVENTH GRADE

Manuel E. Abella
 Alfonso L. Aguila
 Juan R. Arellano
 Luis BarretoCarlos M.
 Basnuevo
 Juan A. Bolona
 Patrick N. De la Llana
 Daniel Echeverría
 Juan S. Fernández
 David J. Fonseca
 Daniel J. Iglesias
 Nicolás F. Llaca
 Julio C. López
 Jorge F. Menocal
 Alec M. Puig
 Mario B. Rojas
 André D. Seidenthal
 Daniel Vázquez
 Luis A. Wulff

EIGHTH GRADE

Anthony D. Aguad
 Nelson G. Alemany
 Wilfred C. Alvarez
 Tulio J. Alvarez-Burgos
 Roberto J. Arán
 Carlos L. Araque
 Jaime J. Arenas

Anthony A. Armas
 Carlos G. Bolívar
 Brian Cabiellas
 Michael A. Cruz
 José A. de la Torre
 Guillermo P. Echarte
 Steven J. Echenique
 Erick A. Echeverría
 Eduardo Escobar
 Nicholas J. Fischer
 Alexander C. García
 Michael S. García
 William A. Gómez
 Gerry R. González
 Yvan A. González
 Eric M. Guitián
 Matthew T. Hanlon
 Alexander J. Iparraguirre
 Matthew A. Jordán
 Sebastián J. Juncadella
 Víctor A. López-Cantera
 Andrés M. Mármol
 Jeremy A. Matza
 Marco Mejia
 Armando R. Méndez
 Nicholas A. Mouriz
 Amado Nieto, Jr.
 Alexander T. Pastoriza
 Anthony P. Paz
 Joshua Pereira
 Daniel A. Ramos Marabotto
 John T. Rincón
 Jorge L. Rodríguez
 Daniel E. Rojas
 Santiago Rubio
 Andrés A. Simauchi
 Richard A. Smit
 Omar A. Valenzuela
 Víctor A. Verdeja
 José A. Villamil
 Adrián R. Zubillaga

NINTH GRADE

Steven A. Agrad
 Guillermo A. Alvarez
 Michael R. Alvarez
 Orlando A. Alvarez-Burgos
 Armando Amin
 Edwin Philip G. Andrés
 Daniel Arbucias
 José J. Arredondo
 José G. Capote
 Fernando J. Casco-Downing
 Alejandro M. Chediak
 Giovanni Christodoulou
 Peter G. Cruz-Gordillo
 James E. Darmody
 Nicolás A. De La Fuente
 Frank J. Estevez
 Alejandro D. Fonseca
 Gregory L. Fontela

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 Asis A. López
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 Santiago Morfín
 Steven R. Rico
 James N. Robbins
 Iván M. Rodríguez
 Javier A. Rodríguez
 Ricardo Rodríguez
 Rafael G. Romero
 Daniel A. Silva
 Luis A. Simauchi
 Eugenio G. Suárez
 Pablo A. Vinent
 Raymond J. Zomerfeld

TENTH GRADE

Jon E. Alvarez
 Fernando S. Arán
 Robert J. Baran
 Dorían L. Barrero-Domínguez
 Gabriel E. Bermúdez
 Frank S. Damas
 Víctor E. Delgado
 Anthony J. Fernández
 Javier R. Fonseca
 Jorge L. Gómez
 Christopher M. González
 Daniel P. Hanlon
 Kean A. Hartling
 Francisco A. Lacayo
 Alexander G. Leon
 Gabriel E. Marrero
 Fernando Moreno
 Jesus Pacanins
 Nicholas A. Palermo
 Peter R. Pidermann
 Jorge A. Ravelo
 Ian J. Rivero
 Daniel A. Rodríguez
 Carlos A. Roque
 Alexander P. Trueba
 Charles A. Wood
 Luis A. Wulff

ELEVENTH GRADE

Iván E. Arango
 Donato A. Arguelles
 Alejandro J. Arias
 Javier E. Armenteros
 Javier A. Basnuevo
 Jorge A. Bello
 Daniel A. Casamayor
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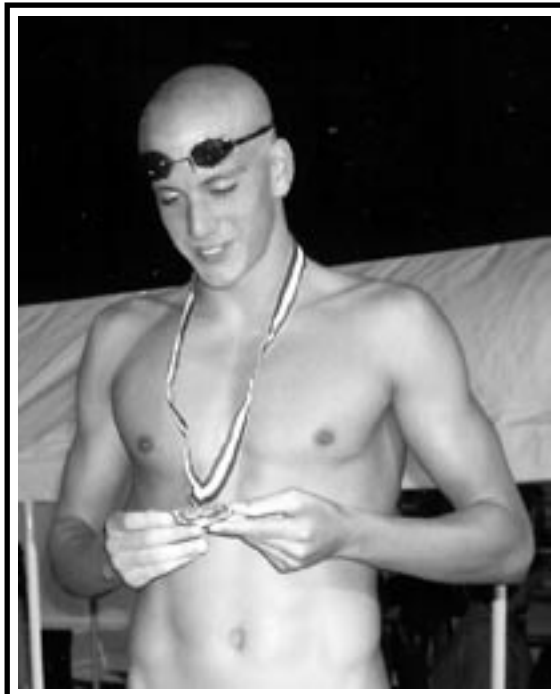
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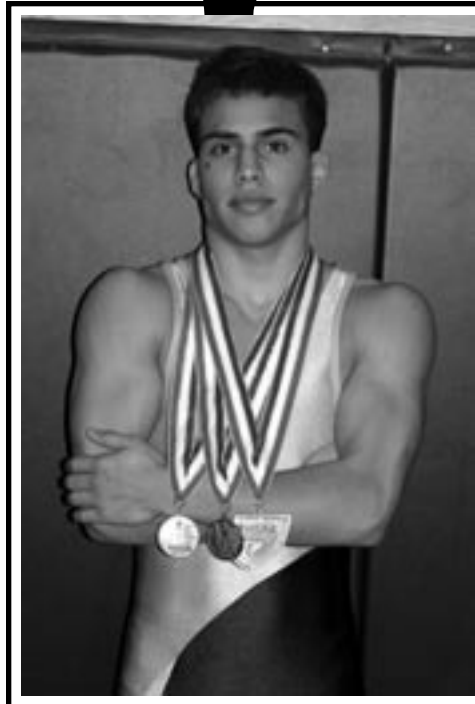
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 Jason F. López
 Jason W. Machado
 Matthew R. Maranges
 Daniel A. Márquez
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 Michael A. Ortiz
 Steven F. Pessoa
 Borja Polo
 Gabriel R. Suárez
 Robert A. Velasco



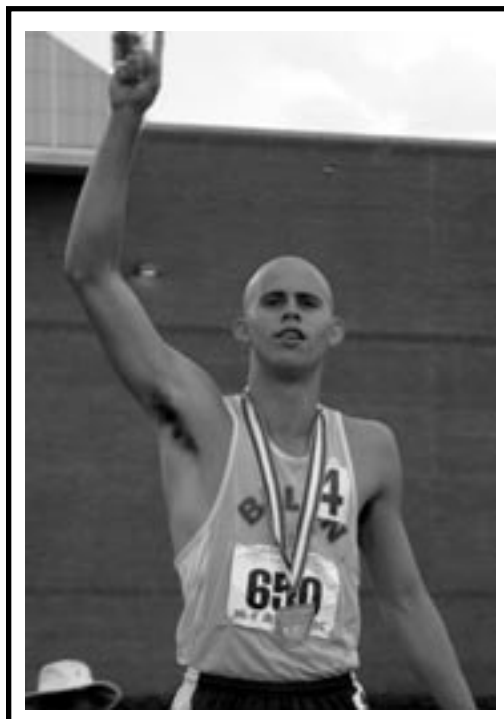
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STATE CHAMPIONS



Jeffrey Vivó
Swimming
2004-100 M Freestyle
2003-50 M Freestyle



Jason Machado
Wrestling
2004-125 lbs.
2003-119 lbs.
2002-112 lbs.



Javier García-Tuñón
Track and Field
2004-110 M Hurdles and 300 M Hurdles



VARSIITY SND JV CHEERLEADING



Junior Varsity Team Roster

| Name | Lt. |
|---------------------|-----|
| Jackie Herrero | 2L |
| Christy Acosta | 1L |
| Allison Alonso | 1L |
| Elizabeth De Boyrie | 1L |
| Vicky Díaz | 1L |
| Cindy Domínguez | 1L |
| Janelle Fernández | 1L |
| Michelle Garrido | 1L |
| Lauren González | 1L |
| Pamela Martí | 1L |
| Stephanie Nicolás | 1L |
| Lourdes Picanes | 1L |
| Adrianna Rodríguez | 1L |
| Lizmarie Rodríguez | 1L |
| Erica Silva | 1L |
| Lauren Silverang | 1L |

Head Coach:
Lili Guallar (1st Year)



Varsity Team Roster

| Name | Lt. |
|----------------------|-----|
| Jackie Carnero | 3L |
| Crizia Núñez | 3L |
| Gaby Sobrado | 3L |
| Missy Reyes | 3L |
| Jeannie Herrero | 2L |
| Jackie Villavicencio | 2L |
| Diana Arteaga | 2L |
| Jeslyn Hernández | 2L |
| Nicole Díaz | 2L |
| Angie Alfonso | 2L |
| Karla Argüello | 1L |
| Natasha Castellón | 1L |
| Jenelle Pimienta | 1L |
| Alex Limia | 1L |
| Ashley López | 1L |
| Vanessa Navarro | 1L |
| Amanda Pérez | 1L |
| Lindsey Reyes | 1L |
| Cherley Rodríguez | 1L |
| Ali Sánchez | 1L |
| Iani Silveira | 1L |
| María Tamayo | 1L |

Our Junior Varsity Cheerleading team has had an incredible year. In July they attended the NCA cheerleading camp in the University of South Florida. A number of the cheerleaders were nominated and competed for the All American Award. On the last day of NCA Camp they competed and placed first in motion technique. In December the team competed at the Cheer Sport Regional Competition placing second in their division. The cheerleaders also cheered and performed at the Junior Varsity Football and Basketball games supporting their team at all times. These young ladies have worked extremely hard this year

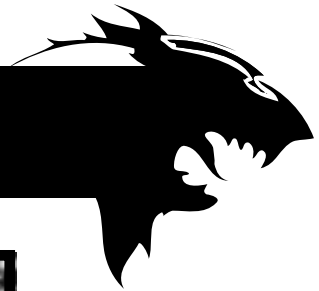
and deserve recognition for all their efforts.

It has been a true pleasure to work with them this year.

Our Varsity Cheerleading team has had an amazing year. In July they attended the NCA cheerleading camp in the University of South Florida. The entire team was nominated for the All American Award and five cheerleaders were recognized as All Americans by the National Cheerleaders Association. On the last day of camp they placed first in cheers and motion technique. During the year they cheered and performed at Varsity Football and Basketball games supporting their team. In total they competed in three major competitions: the Cheer Sport Regional Competition where they placed first in their division, the FCC State competition where they placed second in their division, and the American Open National Championships where they placed first in their division! These young ladies are the most dedicated group with I have ever worked. It has been my honor to coach them this year.



VARSITY BASEBALL



Head Coach:
Tony Meilan (4th Year)

Assistant Coaches:
Tommy Molina
Gilbert Meilan

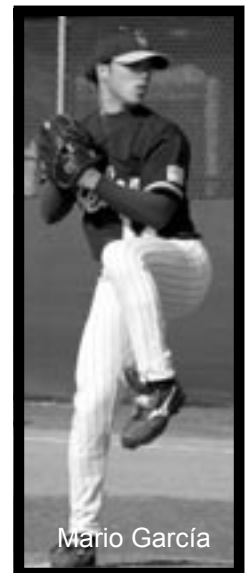
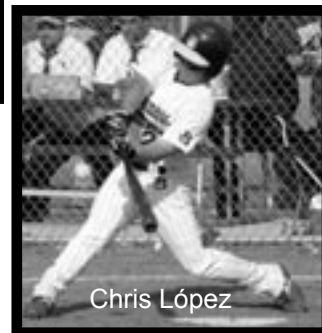
Team Record: 16-10

Team Recognition: 1st
Place in District Regular
Season. District Champs

Individual Recognition:
Gabriel Hernández- 20
Strike out game vs.
St. Brendan

Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|-------------------|-----|-----|
| Mario García | 12 | 4L |
| Daniel Márquez | 12 | 4L |
| Matthew Maranges | 12 | 3L |
| Gabriel Hernández | 12 | 2L |
| Robert Pérez | 12 | 2L |
| Andrew Guasch | 11 | 2L |
| Jorge Jordán | 11 | 2L |
| Daniel Rodríguez | 10 | 2L |
| Joseph Cunetta | 12 | 1L |
| Enrique Hernández | 11 | 1L |
| Brian Domínguez | 11 | 1L |
| Eric Rodríguez | 11 | 1L |
| Christopher López | 11 | 1L |
| Manuel Fernández | 10 | 1L |
| Mario Allende | 10 | 1L |
| Kristopher García | 10 | 1L |
| Daniel García | 10 | 1L |
| Adrián Lorenzo | 9 | 1L |





VARSITY BASKETBALL

Head Coach:
José Roca (7th Year)

Assistant Coaches:
Jerry Jones
Carlos Bravo

Team Record: 22-6

Team Recognition: Class
3A District 15 District
Champion, Félix Varela Pre-
Season Classic Tournament
Champion
Sunset Knight Time
Tournament Champion,
St. Pius X Christmas
Tournament Runner-up

Individual Recognition:

Alejandro Tellería – All-State Honorable Mention, All-County Class 4A-1A Second Team, St. Pius X Christmas
Tournament All Tournament Team; All-County Class 4A-1A Honorable Mention Gabriel Bermúdez, Anthony Fernández and
Raúl Ordóñez.



Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|
| Iván Echenique | 12 | 2L |
| Alejandro Tellería | 11 | 2L |
| Gabriel Bermúdez | 10 | 2L |
| Anthony Fernández | 10 | 2L |
| Eduardo Núñez | 12 | 1L |
| Robert Velasco | 12 | 1L |
| Gerardo Cabezas | 11 | 1L |
| Jonathan Hermida | 11 | 1L |
| Frank Manes | 11 | 1L |
| Raúl Ordóñez | 11 | 1L |
| Christopher Zumárraga | 11 | 1L |
| Eric Montes | 10 | 1L |



Anthony Fernández



Raúl
Ordóñez



Iván
Echenique



Chris
Zumárraga



Gabriel Bermúdez



Alex Tellería >



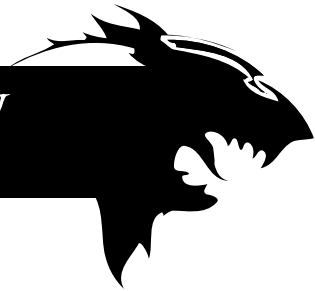
The 2003-2004 Varsity Basketball Team completed one of the most amazing seasons in recent memory with a record of 22 wins and 6 losses. The Wolverines won their 1st District Title in 21 years by defeating LaSalle in the semifinal and St. Brendan in the championship game.

The team was undefeated against all 6A schools. This included its first win ever against Columbus in front of a standing room only crowd by the score of 55 to 54. The Wolf pack (as they were known to their fans) also won the Pre-season Tournament at Félix Varela, the Sunset Knight Time Tournament and were runner-up at the St. Pius X Christmas Tournament in Atlanta.

The Wolverines were led by Alex Tellería who averaged 19.2 points, 5 rebounds and 2 assists per game and Anthony Fernández with 12.1 points and 7.5 rebounds per game. Gaby Bermúdez guided the team as point guard averaging 7.5 assists, 5 points, and 4 rebounds per game, while Raúl Ordóñez added 8.5 points, 10.2 rebounds and 2 blocks per game.

Although there were some spectacular individual performances throughout the season, each player played a key role on this team. The Seniors on the team were Iván Echenique, Eddy Núñez, and Robert Velasco. The rest of the team included Jerry Cabezas, Jonathan Hermida, Frank Manes, Eric Montes and Chris Zumárraga. The team returns nine players next year which promises to be as amazing as this year.

VARSITY & JV CREW



Novice 8 Boat



Varsity 8-Boat



3rd Four Boat



Varsity 4 Boat

Head Coach:
Pedro Ramirez (1st Year)
Assistant Coach:
Edgardo Carranza

Team Recognition:
3rd Four boat and Freshman boat
FSRA State Champions

Varsity Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|----------------------|-----|-----|
| Richard Laviña | 11 | 4L |
| Michael Casas | 11 | 3L |
| Raymond del Castillo | 11 | 3L |
| Jeffrey Montes | 11 | 3L |
| José Ugas | 11 | 3L |
| Alex Chediak | 9 | 3L |
| Daniel Pérez | 9 | 3L |
| Chris Gutiérrez | 8 | 3L |
| Chris González | 10 | 2L |
| Hector Gutiérrez | | 10 |
| 2L | | |
| David Pérez | 10 | 2L |
| Brandon López | 10 | 1L |
| J.C. Mendiola | 10 | 1L |
| Nicholas Palermo | 10 | 1L |
| Víctor Delgado | 10 | 1L |
| Max Vega Sanz | 9 | 1L |
| Alejandro Alvarado | 9 | 1L |
| Michael Alvarez | 9 | 1L |
| Daniel Arbucias | 9 | 1L |
| José Arredondo | 9 | 1L |
| L. André Garrigo | 9 | 1L |
| Francisco Guía | 9 | 1L |
| Iván Rodríguez | 9 | 1L |
| Alex Montes | 8 | 1L |
| Vicente Sierra | 7 | 1L |
| Julián Ucha | 7 | 1L |

JV/Novice Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|---------------------------|-----|-----|
| Michael Sierra | 10 | 2L |
| Frankie Bustamante | 10 | 1L |
| Kean Hartling | 10 | 1L |
| Fernando Moreno | 10 | 1L |
| Jorge Ravello | 10 | 1L |
| Andrés Redondo | 10 | 1L |
| Charles Wood | 10 | 1L |
| Carlos Fonseca | 8 | 1L |
| Alexander González-Jacobo | 8 | 1L |
| Felipe Vicarrondo | 8 | 1L |
| Luis Barreto | 7 | 1L |

In its fourth season, the Belen Rowing program continued on the success it established at the State Championships the previous year. With the largest team ever to participate at the Florida Scholastic Rowing Association championship, the Wolverine Crew won two gold and one silver medal among the six boats that participated. Congratulations to the Freshman Four crew and crew in the 3rd Four category, along with the individual performance of José Ugas in a two-oar scull.

The Wolverine Crew with no seniors, and only five juniors made winning such a habit in the tradition heavy sport of rowing that rowers from other teams could be heard challenging one another to train harder in order to beat the guys from Belen or simply lamenting that they had been scheduled in the same flight as the Wolverine Crew. The season will also be remembered for Pluto and Goofy hats, navy and gold bandanas, neon pink knee-high socks, Peruvian rowing commands, miraculous crab recoveries, and a traveling band of parents that became as much a team as the boys.





VARSITY CROSS COUNTRY

Head Coach:
Frankie Ruiz (2nd Year)
Assistant Coaches:
Juan Rodríguez
Víctor Arrieta

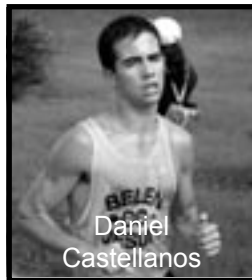
Individual Recognition:
Eduardo Argüello-
Champion of flrunners.
com and Dade County.
Javier Cruz- Champion
of FIU. First Team All
County- Javier Cruz,
Eduardo Argüello, Paul
Santuoso and Michael
Jalil.



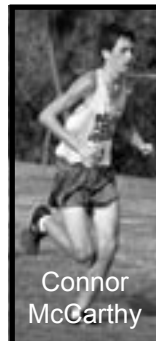
Team Record: 10-0
Team Recognition:
Regional Champions;
1st Place FIU/Lourdes
Inv, Gulliver Inv. and Jr.
Orange Bowl Inv.; 2nd
Place District and Dade
County Youth Fair; 3rd
Place- State
Championship.



Tim
O'Connor



Daniel
Castellanos



Connor
McCarthy



Alex de Zayas



Jason Oliver

Team Roster

| Name | Gd | Lt |
|--------------------|----|----|
| Javier Cruz | 12 | 4L |
| Eduardo Argüello | 11 | 4L |
| Michael Jalil | 11 | 4L |
| Paul Santuoso | 11 | 3L |
| Daniel Castellanos | 11 | 3L |
| René Medina | 11 | 3L |
| Alex Formoso | 11 | 2L |
| Rafael Márquez | 11 | 2L |
| Emilio Hernández | 11 | 1L |
| Gabriel Marrero | 10 | 1L |
| Timothy O'Connor | 9 | 1L |
| Conor McCarthy | 9 | 1L |
| Javier Zamparelli | 9 | 1L |
| David Otero | 9 | 1L |
| Javier Ramos | 9 | 1L |
| Jason Oliver | 9 | 1L |
| Alejandro de Zayas | 9 | 1L |
| Daniel Silva | 9 | 1L |
| Rafael Romero | 9 | 1L |



Eddie Argüello



Paul Santuoso



Michael
Jalil René
Medina



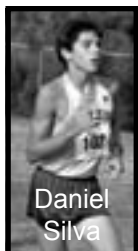
At the District Championships we finished 2nd to Gulliver (without Senior Javo Cruz). The following week the team went up to West Palm Beach to compete in the Regional Championships and managed to finish 1st (ahead of Gulliver this time).

At the State Championship the effort by the top 7 was considerably good. The race was held at 9 p.m. – something never before done. Eddie Argüello took the lead at the 2 mile mark but had to settle with a fourth place finish with a time of 15:42. He was followed by Paul Santuoso (Jr., 16:01), Javo Cruz (Sr., 16:13), Mike Jalil (Jr., 17:08), Javier Zamparelli (Fr., 17:32), Danny Castellanos (Jr., 17:42), David Otero (Fr., 18:01). The team finished 3rd with 94 points, behind Tampa Jesuit, and Bishop Kenney. This was an improvement from last year's 5th place team finish.

-Eddie Argüello's 15:18 at the flrunners.com Invitational was the 2nd fastest time in the State this year, the 2nd fastest time in the County ever, and the fastest time in Belen's History...

-The Belen XC Team earned team of the week in the Miami Herald 3 times -Eddie Argüello and Javo Cruz were named by the Miami Herald Athletes of the Week/Runners of the Week 7 times

-The Miami Herald's All-Dade Team was made up of 4 Belen runners (Argüello, Cruz, Santuoso and Jalil): first time in County history!



Daniel
Silva



David Otero



VARSITY FOOTBALL



Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|------------------------|-----|-----|
| Alejandro Castro | 12 | 4L |
| Carlos Ortega | 12 | 4L |
| David Romero | 12 | 3L |
| Jason López | 12 | 3L |
| Gabriel Alonso-Mendoza | 12 | 2L |
| Michael Ortiz | 12 | 2L |
| Eloy Figueredo | 12 | 2L |
| Alberto Arán | 12 | 2L |
| Peter Muñoz | 11 | 2L |
| Jorge Ríos | 11 | 2L |
| Robert León | 12 | 1L |
| Gregory Hernández | 12 | 1L |
| James Fenton | 11 | 1L |
| Carlos Manrara | 11 | 1L |
| Frank Manes | 11 | 1L |
| Nicholas Echevarría | 11 | 1L |
| Brian Domínguez | 11 | 1L |
| Diomar Infante | 11 | 1L |
| Alex Arias | 11 | 1L |
| Jorge Ugarte | 11 | 1L |
| Andrés Mora | 11 | 1L |
| Peter García | 11 | 1L |
| Carlos Nieto | 11 | 1L |
| Louis Méndez | 11 | 1L |
| Luis Martín | 11 | 1L |
| José Rodríguez | 11 | 1L |
| Robert Mas | 11 | 1L |
| Alex Capote | 11 | 1L |
| Eduardo Regalado | 11 | 1L |
| Fernando Arán | 10 | 1L |
| Carlos Roque | 10 | 1L |
| Peter Pidermann | 10 | 1L |
| Marshall Thomas | 10 | 1L |
| Andrés Navarro | 10 | 1L |
| Daniel García | 10 | 1L |
| Christopher Brolley | 10 | 1L |
| Frank Estévez | 9 | 1L |
| Gustavo Duquesne | 9 | 1L |

Head Coach: Richard Stuart (21st Year)
 Assistant Coaches: Angel Aparicio, Eddie Delgado,
 Germán Delgado, Augusto Venegas and Juan Luis Flores
 Team Record: 5-6
 Team Recognition: District and Regional Runner-up



Fernando Arán



Frank Manes



Carlos Roqué



Peter Muñoz

To reach this year's regional championship game, the Varsity Football team had to overcome many obstacles. The team was placed in the very difficult Class 2A District 8. The district included State Champion Chaminade, perennial state power American Heritage and archrival Gulliver. Secondly, the non-district schedule was the toughest in school history and thirdly, the 2003 team had to replace 17 starters from the previous year.

As a result we started out 0-5 and it seemed like we would miss the playoffs for the first time in five years. Instead of folding, the team continued to improve, came together and finished the second half of the season 4-1. The run also included a stunning 17-16 victory over American Heritage, one of the biggest upsets in school history. The team then went on to beat District 7-2A Champion Cardinal Newmann 21-3 in the regional semifinal and the season came to a close with a 2nd loss to Chaminade in the region 4-2A Championship game.

The Wolverines surprised everyone except themselves. "I always knew this team could accomplish what we did, we just needed to come together as a team, and and we did," said senior Eloy Figueredo.



David Romero



VARSITY & JV GOLF

Head Coach:
Jay Perkins (2nd Year)

Assistant Coach:
Jerry Portela

Team Record: 12-2

JV Team Record: 1-3

Team Recognition: 4th Place
at Dade County Youth Fair



Varsity Team

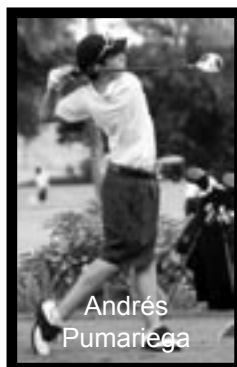


Ricardo Escobar

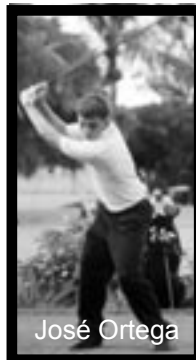
Individual Recognition: Third team
All County- Richie Massa; Honorable
Mention- Ricky Escobar and Andy
Pumariega. Regional Tournament
Qualifiers- Richie Massa and Andy
Pumariega. (JV)- Manny Abella team
leader in scoring avrage.

Varsity Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|-------------------|-----|-----|
| Julian Knight | 12 | 5L |
| Mario Murgado | 10 | 2L |
| Jorge Gómez | 10 | 2L |
| Ricardo Escobar | 9 | 2L |
| Richard Massa | 8 | 2L |
| Gus Rubio | 11 | 1L |
| Donato Argüelles | 11 | 1L |
| José Ortega | 11 | 1L |
| Alfredo Rodríguez | 8 | 1L |
| Andrés Pumariega | 8 | 1L |



Andrés
Pumariega



José Ortega



Richie Massa



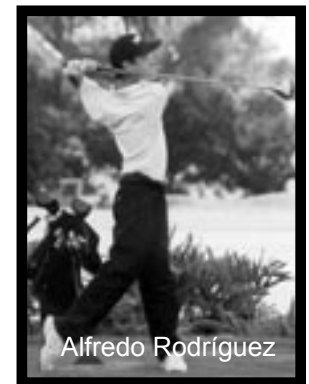
Julian Knight

JV Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|-----------------|-----|-----|
| Santiago Rubio | 8 | 1L |
| William Gómez | 8 | 1L |
| Jorge Guerra | 8 | 1L |
| Manny Abella | 7 | 1L |
| Víctor González | 7 | 1L |
| Thomas Perkins | 7 | 1L |



JV Team



Alfredo Rodríguez

We entered the 2003 Golf season projecting a rebuilding year, having lost 4 starters from last year's squad to graduation. Instead, a new group of players rose to the challenge to lead the team to an impressive 12 win season, leaving the future of the Belen Golf team looking very bright.

The new team nucleus, comprised of a 9th grader and three 8th graders, are destined to accomplish great things as a team over the next several years, and will push each other and their fellow teammates to reach even greater heights as individual players.



VARSITY ROLLER HOCKEY



Head Coach: Ski Aguad (1st Year)

Assistant Coach: Juan Luis Flores



Team Roster

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Gd.</u> | <u>Lt.</u> |
|--------------------|------------|------------|
| Ramon Trillo | 12 | 1L |
| Michael Cross | | 12 1L |
| Christopher Mouriz | 11 | 1L |
| Michael Mouriz | | 11 1L |
| Gabriel Sagarduy | 11 | 1L |
| Roger Teran | | 11 1L |
| Michael Verway | | 11 1L |
| Raymond Mouriz | 9 | 1L |

The Belen Hockey team was built on a foundation of hard work, discipline, and team unity. The fundamental concept has been that defense wins championships. This was proven last season as the wolverines defeated a rival, high scoring Palmetto team 6-4 to win it all. The team follows the standards and ethics of Captain Gabriel Sagarduy, who after starting the season with four straight losses, demanded that they work harder and practice longer hours to achieve their goal. This season has continued to be successful, as we added a tournament against the best teams in the state. Even though we lost to these teams, the experience has added a new dimension to the squad and a more exciting style of play.



VARSITY SOCCER

Head Coach:
Fabio Ortega (3rd Year)

Assistant Coach:
Miguel Converti

Team Record: 19-5-1

Team Recognition:
District Champions and
Regional Runner-Up

Individual Recognition:
First Team All County- Alimer González, Carlos Ortega and Borja Polo



Team Roster:

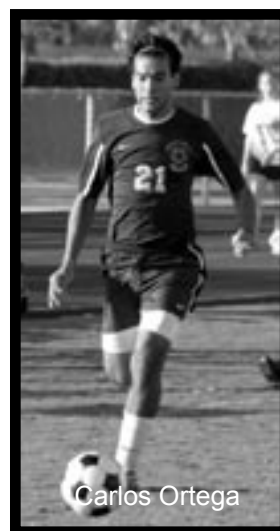
| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|-------------------|-----|-----|
| Alimer González | 12 | 5L |
| Carlos Ortega | 12 | 4L |
| David MacNamara | 12 | 3L |
| Patricio González | 11 | 3L |
| Borja Polo | 12 | 2L |
| Andrés Manrara | 12 | 2L |
| Julian Knight | 12 | 2L |
| Daniel Palacios | 11 | 2L |
| Andrés Vega | 11 | 2L |
| Iván Arango | 11 | 2L |
| Luis Wulff | 10 | 2L |
| Ricardo Fernández | 12 | 1L |
| Freddy Elorza | 11 | 1L |
| Alberto Flamini | 11 | 1L |
| Andrés Guardiola | 11 | 1L |
| Carlos Betancourt | 11 | 1L |
| Alejandro Lega | 11 | 1L |
| Azael Ortega | 11 | 1L |
| Jesús Pacanins | 10 | 1L |
| Andrés Kaifer | 10 | 1L |
| Gabriel Marrero | 10 | 1L |
| Felipe Ortega | 8 | 1L |



Daniel Palacios



Alimer González



Carlos Ortega



Andrés Vega



Borja Polo



Luis Wulff

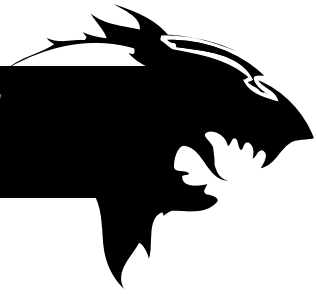


Patrick González

The Varsity Soccer program finished the season with an overall record of 19-5-1, winning for a 3rd time in a row the District title. This season the team worked very hard to play for a second time in team history in the Regional championship game. One more time Sr. Carlos Ortega was the leading scorer followed by Sr. Alimer González and Sr. Borja Polo. Congratulations to all the players for the tremendous effort to put this program in the top 10 best teams in the state and best of wishes to the Senior Class of 2004, these players made history in our Soccer program.



VARSITY SWIMMING



Head Coach:
Kirk Peppas (16th Year)

Assistant Coach:
Olga Uribe

Team Record: 6-0

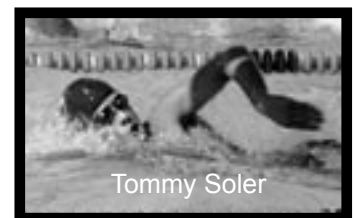
Team Recognition: 1st Place District and Dade County; 3rd Place Woodson Inv. and 1A State Championship

Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|------------------------|-----|-----|
| Jeffrey Vivó | 12 | 6L |
| Javier Basnuevo | 11 | 5L |
| Francisco Lacayo | 10 | 3L |
| Javier Fonseca | 10 | 3L |
| Marino Báez | 11 | 2L |
| Robert Gentry | 10 | 2L |
| Chris Pérez de Alejo | 10 | 2L |
| Raymond Zomerfeld | 9 | 2L |
| Tommy Soler | 9 | 2L |
| Reynaldo Mastrapa | 9 | 2L |
| Orlando Alvarez-Burgos | 9 | 2L |
| Carlos Araque | 8 | 2L |
| Patrick Arenson | 8 | 2L |
| Erick Van Zanten | 11 | 1L |
| Kevin Hayes | 9 | 1L |
| Oscar Fonseca | 10 | 1C |



Individual Recognition: **Jeffrey Vivó- STATE CHAMPION in the 100 Freestyle.** First Team All County: Javier Basnuevo, Jeffrey Vivó, Francisco Lacayo, Julio Robla, and Javier Fonseca. 2nd Team: Robert Gentry and Marino Baez. 3rd Team: Patrick Arenson and Kevin Hayes.



An amazing season for the Belen Swim team. Adding to our proud history of athletic prowess, the team stepped up to the next level and they won the Dade County and District Championship. This was achieved through the many years of hard work throughout the re-building years. The team went undefeated in dual meets, including wins against our old rival Gulliver and Ransom. At the Woodson Inv. we were the surprise of the meet taking third place. It was a great tune up for the Dade County Championship. We defeated Columbus and Gulliver in a tough meet in which we didn't take the lead until the final 3 events. The 200 Medley Relay (Javier Basnuevo, Jeff Vivó, Julio Robla and Frank Lacayo) set a new county record. The District title was won in a landslide, we had 4 finalists in almost every event outscoring Gulliver and Ransom by 250 points. Qualifying 9 swimmers for the State meet. We finished our season with another surprise- 3rd Place at the State Championship. Jeffrey Vivo regained his composure and came back with a GUTT swim to win the 100 Freestyle championship and 2nd in the 50 freestyle. The 200 Medley got 4th, the 200 Free Relay (Robla, J. Fonseca, M. Baez and F. Lacayo) got 5th, Javier Basnuevo got 4th in 200 free and 5th in the 100 back.

We want to thank and acknowledge our graduating senior; Jeffrey Vivó, two time State Champion! Jeff is one of a few athletes that is a six-year letterman, scoring at the District championship or higher since 7th grade.

We want to thank the parents for volunteering their time and for providing the extras the team needed to succeed. To Mrs. Peggy Vivo-a special thank you for all the years.



VARSITY TENNIS

Head Coach:
Patrick Collins (30th Year)

Team Record: 9 – 5

Team Recognition:
District 16AA Runner-Up

Individual Recognition:
Juan Boloña: 13-0 Regular Season Record in Singles; District Runner-Up at #3 Singles
Daniel González-Mora: District Champion at #4 Singles
Juan Fernández: District Runner-Up at #5 Singles
Steve Pessoa and Jorge Salazar: District Runner-Up at #1 Doubles
Juan Bolona and Daniel González-Mora: District Runner-Up at #2 Doubles



Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|----------------------|-----|-----|
| Jorge Salazar | 11 | 6L |
| Steven Pessoa | 12 | 4L |
| Daniel González-Mora | 9 | 3L |
| Juan Boloña | 7 | 1L |
| Juan Fernández | 7 | 1L |
| Antoine López | 8 | 1L |
| Marcos Segrega | 10 | 1L |
| Patrick de la Llana | 7 | 2C |
| Jorge Gómez | 10 | 1C |
| Manuel Abella | 7 | 1C |
| Roland St. Louis | 10 | 1C |
| Mario Fernández | 9 | 1C |
| Felipe Jaramillo | 9 | 1C |
| Agustín de Goytiso | 9 | 1C |
| Javier Ramos | 9 | 1C |



Jorge Salazar



Steven Pessoa

The 2004 Tennis season witnessed the end of an era of a District Champion and the beginnings of several great young tennis players. Senior Steve Pessoa completed a brilliant career that began in 2000 when he was the MVP for both the Junior High and Varsity teams. Though plagued by a shoulder injury that forced Steve to forgo tennis in his sophomore year and strained his game this year, Steve compiled a four-year record of 60 wins and 12 losses, including the 2003 District Championship. In all that time Steve was not just a great tennis player but an exemplary gentleman and sportsman in victory and defeat.

On the horizon, 7th Grader Juan Boloña finished the regular season with an astounding 13-0 regular season singles record. 7th Grader Juan Fernández played #5 Singles and was the District Runner-up. 8th Grader Antoine López shows real promise in the lineup. 9th Grader Dan González-Mora completed the season as the District Champion of #4 Singles. With these and other fine players on the team the future is looks bright.

Special thanks to Ms. Cartaya for being such a loyal tennis fan and to Deacon O'Malley for helping to coach the team. The tennis team record is now 283 – 115 since the inaugural season in 1975.



VARSITY TRACK & FIELD



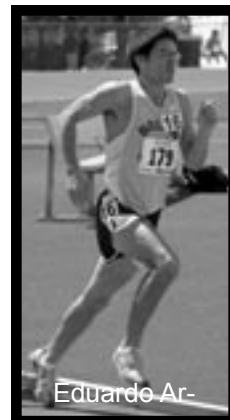
Head Coach: Carlos Barquín (26th Year)

Assistant Coaches: Arthur Foster, Frankie Ruiz, Jonathan Salum and Alejandro Bedoya.

Team Record: 22-0

Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|
| Javier García-Tuñon | 12 | 6L |
| Javier Cruz | 12 | 4L |
| Gabriel Suárez | 12 | 4L |
| Eduardo Argüello | 11 | 4L |
| Alejandro Sosa | 11 | 4L |
| Michael Jalil | 11 | 4L |
| Paul Santuoso | 11 | 3L |
| Jorge Bello | 11 | 3L |
| Javier Armenteros | 11 | 3L |
| Daniel Castellanos | 11 | 3L |
| René Medina | 11 | 3L |
| Jonathan Hernández | 10 | 3L |
| Guerdi Fabre | 11 | 2L |
| Nick Pérez-Alvarez | 11 | 2L |
| David Fernández | 11 | 2L |
| Carlos Macías | 11 | 2L |
| Alex Formoso | 11 | 2L |
| Fernando Arán | 10 | 2L |
| Dorian Barrero-Domínguez | 10 | 2L |
| Nicholas Díaz | 9 | 2L |
| Daniel García | 11 | 1L |
| Eduardo Regalado | 11 | 1L |
| Guillermo Gil | 11 | 1L |
| Emilio Hernández | 11 | 1L |
| Christian Sanchelima | 11 | 1L |
| Erick Van Zanten | 11 | 1L |
| Peter Pidermann | 10 | 1L |
| Robert Baran | 10 | 1L |
| Gabriel Marrero | 10 | 1L |
| Javier Zamparelli | | 9 |
| Conor McCarthy | | 9 |
| Timothy O'Connor | 9 | 1L |
| Daniel Silva | 9 | 1L |
| David Otero | 9 | 1L |
| Jason Oliver | 9 | 1L |
| Robert Arán | 8 | 1L |
| Eric Esteva | 11 | 1C |
| Andrew Otazo | 11 | 1C |
| Wilhelm Lapica | 11 | 1C |
| Enrique de Solo | 11 | 1C |
| Peter Trujillo | 11 | 1C |
| Donato Argüelles | 11 | 1C |
| Víctor Alarcón | 10 | 1C |
| Frank Damas | 10 | 1C |
| Ernesto Pérez | 10 | 1C |



The team finished with another undefeated season (22-0). One of the team's highest achievements was its second place finish Dade County Meet which features all the top teams in the County including public schools. The heart of the team was two time State Champion and Miami Herald scholar athlete finalist

Javier García-Tuñon. He graduates from the school as the best all around track athlete holding 9 school records (110 M Hurdles, 300 M Hurdles, 200 M, 400 M, High Jump, Triple Jump, 4x100, 4x400 and Distance Medley Relay). Other top contributors for the team were distance runners Eduardo Argüello, Javier Cruz, Paul Santuoso, and Javier Zamparelli. Sprinters and field specialists Billy Gil, Fernando Aran, Guerdi Fabre, Peter Pidermann, Jonathan Hernández. The team will miss its 3 seniors, Javier García-Tuñon, Gabriel Suárez and Javier Cruz; but the rest of the team members will return

to assure the continued tradition of excellence in the sport.



Team Recognition: 2nd Place at Angelini Relays, Dade County Youth Fair and District. 3rd Place at Regional and 7th Place at

Individual Recognition: **Javier García-Tuñon- State Champion:** 110 M Hurdles 14.11 (School Record) and 300 M Hurdles 37.22 (School Record). School Record in High Jump 6'6". State Medal Winners- Eduardo Argüello 4x800 M and 1600; Javier Zamparelli, Paul Santuoso, and Javier Cruz 4x800 M. State Finalist-Guerdi Fabre



VARSITY & JV VOLLEYBALL

Head Coach:
Miriam Cambo-Martínez (6th Year)

Varsity Team Record: 0-13

Varsity Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|-------------------|-----|-----|
| Timothy Halpin | 12 | 4L |
| Daniel Fernández | 12 | 3L |
| Alex León | 10 | 3L |
| Mauricio Valencia | 11 | 1L |
| Steven Artau | 11 | 1L |
| David Costa | 11 | 1L |
| Michael Cruz | 8 | 1L |
| Mathew Jordán | 8 | 1L |
| Adrian Díaz | 12 | 1C |
| Jerry Cabezas | 11 | 1C |



Varsity Team

Needless to say, it was a very difficult season. But I would like to mention a few players who gave it their all and knew the meaning of team. Eighth-graders Mathew Jordán and Michael Cruz showed great sportsmanship. Captain Danny Fernández helped keep the peace with his words of encouragement. A special thank you to Ms. Cartaya, Ms. Suárez, Mr. Zoller, and Mr. de Quesada for their help and attendance at the games.



Daniel Fernández



Mauricio Valencia



Timothy Halpin



Steve Artau



Alex León



JV Team

JV Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|---------------------|-----|-----|
| Peter Cruz-Gordillo | 9 | 1L |
| James Darmody | 9 | |
| 1L Carlos Jordán | | 9 |
| 1L Thomas Muñoz | | 9 |
| 1L Christopher Cruz | 8 | 1L |
| Daniele Mion-Bet | 8 | 1L |
| Nicholas Fischer | 8 | 1L |
| Mario Allanic | 8 | 1L |
| Freddy Elorza | 11 | 1C |
| Diomar Infante | 11 | 1C |
| Steven Agras | 9 | 1C |
| Eddy Escobar | 8 | 1C |
| Michael Garrote | 8 | 1C |
| Alex Egusquiza | 8 | 1C |
| Thomas Brown | 8 | 1C |



Carlos Jordán

This year's J.V. surprised a lot of people, specially Southwest and Ransom. Although we lacked height, we played like a TEAM. We had determination and respect for each other. Everyone gave it their best.

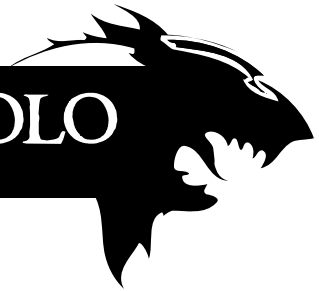
The team was led by co-captains Nicky Fischer and Kiko Cruz. James Darmody kept the team grounded with his defense and offense. Mario Allanic and Danny Mion-Bet helped with great defense and serves. Congratulations!

A special thank you to the team managers and statistician for their time and effort.



JV Team Record: 4-3

VARSITY & JV WATER POLO



Head Coach:
Jorge Carmenate
(1st Year)

Team Record: 9-6

JV Team Record: 2-1

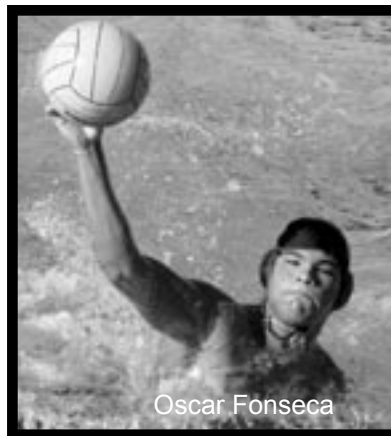


Gustavo Figueroa

Team Recognition:
1st Place Belen Classic



Anthony López



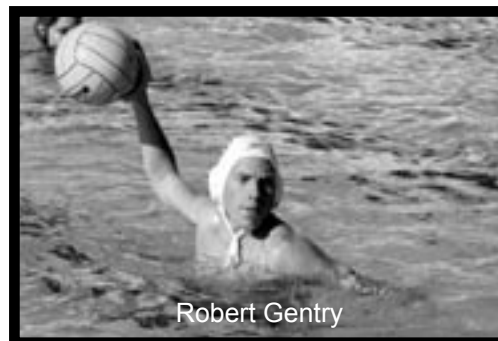
Oscar Fonseca



Julián Miranda

Varsity Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|-------------------|-----|-----|
| Oscar Fonseca | 10 | 2L |
| Robert Gentry | 10 | 2L |
| Julio López | 7 | 2L |
| Patricio González | 11 | 1L |
| Julián Miranda | 9 | 1L |
| Erick Echeverría | 8 | 1L |
| Jake Bakas | 7 | 1L |
| Anthony López | 7 | 1L |



Robert Gentry

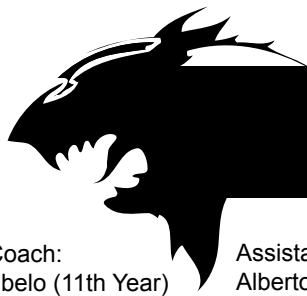
JV Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|-------------------|-----|-----|
| Fernando Casco | 9 | 1L |
| Samir Moussawel | 8 | 1L |
| Andrés Simauchi | 8 | 1L |
| David Fonseca | 7 | 1L |
| Daniel Iglesias | 7 | 1L |
| Gustavo Figueroa | 7 | 1L |
| Daniel Echeverría | 7 | 1L |
| Julián Figueroa | 6 | 1L |

This was a very exciting year for the Belen Jesuit Water Polo teams. Most of the team was made up of kids between the ages of 11 and 16, making them the youngest team in the County. As we found out, age was not a factor when it came to having heart and determination. The team upset Killian and a Braddock squad made up mostly of seniors. It also won the 1st ever Belen Classic held at Belén.

The team has a very promising future with some players who will make a very strong presence for the next 3-5 years. Returning is the entire team for the 2005 season. The talent is young and getting better. The team should be one of the top 5 teams in the County.

The coach is considered by many one of the best in the country. He also has a club team made up of former Olympic players and an Under-18 team and an Under-14 team.



VARSITY WRESTLING

Head Coach:
Fidel Albelo (11th Year)

Assistant Coach:
Alberto Hernández

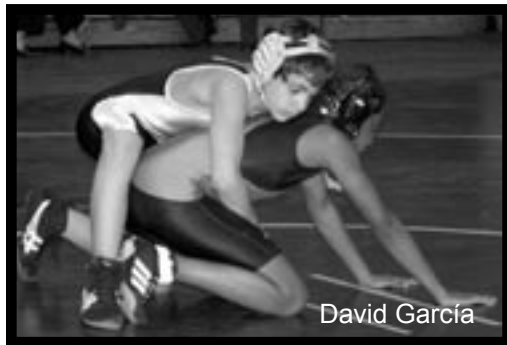
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Individual Recognition:

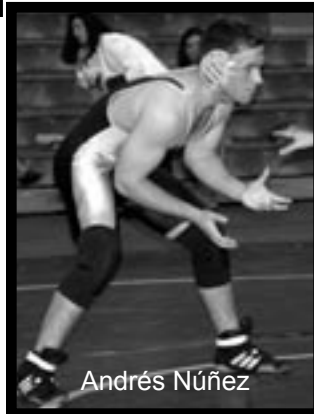
Jason Machado-STATE CHAMPION (125lbs.), 1st Team All County and 1st Team All State.



Steven Rico



David García



Andrés Núñez



Dylan Rico



Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|------------------|-----|-----|
| Jason Machado | 12 | 7L |
| Steven Rico | 9 | 2L |
| Luis Simauchi | 9 | 2L |
| Andrés Núñez | 11 | 1L |
| Javier Rodríguez | 9 | 1L |
| Marco Mejía | 8 | 1L |
| Dylan Rico | 7 | 1L |
| David García | 7 | 1L |

“This was Belen’s smallest team in history, but they had the biggest hearts,” said Head Coach Fidel Albelo. The Varsity Wrestling team was made up

of eight wrestlers this year. The team was unable to have as competitive practices as in past years so they spent most of their time training with 3A powerhouses like Braddock and Southwest. The youth of the team had a great season with veteran freshman Steven Rico and rookie sensation Javier Rodríguez missing going to State by one match. But the story of the year was when Jason Machado won his third consecutive State Title. He became the first Belen athlete to win 3 consecutive titles and only the 6th

JUNIOR VARSITY BASEBALL



Head Coach:
Pepe Santamarina
(2nd Year)

Assistant Coach;
JC Huguet

Team Record: 10-8



Emmanuel
Gómez



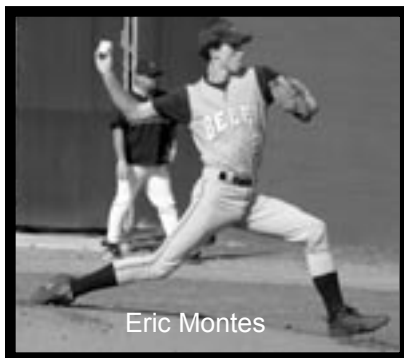
Kris García



Giovanni
Christodoulou

Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|------------------------|-----|-----|
| Daniel A. Rodríguez | 10 | 2L |
| Kristopher García | 10 | 2L |
| Ian Rivero | 10 | 2L |
| Mario Rojo | 10 | 2L |
| Daniel Merino | 9 | 2L |
| Mario Allende | 10 | 1L |
| Eric Montes | 10 | 1L |
| Bryan Herrera | 10 | 1L |
| Giovanni Christodoulou | 9 | 1L |
| Pablo Vinent | 9 | 1L |
| Alejandro de Zayas | 9 | 1L |
| Emmanuel Gómez | 9 | 1L |
| Asís López | 9 | 1L |
| Richard Bandrich | 9 | 1L |
| Juan Sotolongo | 9 | 1L |
| Geoffrey Ryan | 9 | 1L |
| Rosendo Fornis | 9 | 1L |
| Michael Cunetta | 9 | 1L |
| Alexander García | 8 | 1L |



Eric Montes



Ian Rivero



Alex
de Zayas

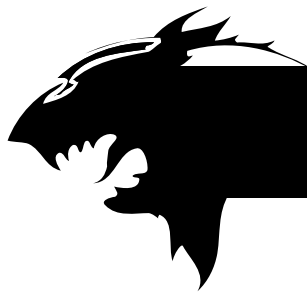
This year's Junior Varsity Baseball team had a winning record of 10 wins and 8 losses. The team was led by a very talented 9th grade class and sophmores Daniel Rodríguez, Kris García, Mario Allende, and pitcher Mario Rojo. In spite of having a young team, the J.V. team a variety of good teams including American Heritage and Pace. There high expectations for next year's team.



Daniel Rodríguez



Pablo Vinent



JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL

Head Coach: Jerry Jones (5th Year)

Team Record: 17-6

Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|----------------------|-----|-----|
| Fernando Arán | 10 | 2L |
| Daniel Hanlon | 10 | 1L |
| Daniel Núñez | 10 | 1L |
| Michael Sánchez | 10 | 1L |
| Alex Trueba | 10 | 1L |
| Jonathan Hernández | 10 | 1L |
| Christopher Brolley | 10 | 1L |
| Andrés Alonso | 10 | 1L |
| Steven Agras | 9 | 1L |
| Antonio Quezada | 8 | 1L |
| Diego Fernández-Soto | 8 | 1L |



Chris Brolley



Diego Fernández-Soto



Jonathan Hernández



Steven Agras



Tony Quezada

This year's JV team had an exceptional season and finished with an excellent record of (17-6). The Wolverines put together a 10-game winning streak during the season, which included impressive victories over Southridge, Ransom and Coral Park. The team played tremendous defense all year long and held opponents to an average of only 38 points per game.

Starting center Steve Agras, a freshman, led the team in scoring with 14 points per game and rebounding with 7.4 rebounds per game. He registered 22 points and 13 rebounds in a win over Ransom and had 17 points and 12 rebounds in a tough, 3 point loss to Columbus. Starting point guard and 8th grader, Antonio Quezada, was second on the team in scoring and first in assists, and demonstrated great leadership qualities and unlimited potential. Steve and Antonio both moved up to the Varsity for the District Playoffs. Rounding out the starting lineup were sophomores Alex Trueba, Jonathan Hernández, and Fernando Arán, who all made major contributions to the team's success as well.

The players on this year's team were committed to playing intense defense and exhibiting great team work. The end result was an outstanding basketball season.



JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL



Head Coach: Daniel Baldor (1st Year)

Assistant Coaches: Javier Valdes, Ramón Crego, and Barney Flores

Team Record: 3-4



Gregory Fontela



Giovanni Christodoulou



Nick Dfaz



Jonathan Hernández

John Smit



Daniel Méndez



Chris Brolley

Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|----------------------------|-----|-----|
| Jon Eric Alvarez | 10 | 2L |
| Christopher Brolley | 10 | 2L |
| Jonathan Hernández | 10 | 2L |
| Christopher Machado | 10 | 2L |
| Roland St. Louis | 10 | 2L |
| Dorían Barrero-Dominguez | 10 | 1L |
| Juan Duarte | 10 | 1L |
| Francisco León de la Barra | 10 | 1L |
| Adrián Pou | 10 | 1L |
| Ian Rivero | 10 | 1L |
| Jordán Sánchez | 10 | 1L |
| Daniel García | 10 | 1L |
| Guillermo Alvarez | 9 | 1L |
| Orlando Blanco | 9 | 1L |
| José Capote | 9 | 1L |
| Alonso Carrillo | 9 | 1L |
| Michael Chisolm | 9 | 1L |
| Giovanni Christodoulou | 9 | 1L |
| Nicholas de la Fuente | 9 | 1L |
| Nicholas Díaz | 9 | 1L |
| Frank Estevez | 9 | 1L |
| Andrew Fernández | 9 | 1L |
| Gregory Fontela | 9 | 1L |
| David Fraguío | 9 | 1L |
| Giorgio Garrido | 9 | 1L |
| Pedro Goicuria | 9 | 1L |
| Dantes Gutiérrez | 9 | 1L |
| Jordi Macías | 9 | 1L |
| Jorge Mantilla | 9 | 1L |
| Daniel Méndez | 9 | 1L |
| Michael Menéndez | 9 | 1L |
| Félix Ocaña | 9 | 1L |
| Daniel Oporto | 9 | 1L |
| Jorge Peréz | 9 | 1L |
| Juan Sanchelima | 9 | 1L |
| John Smit | 9 | 1L |
| Eugenio Suárez | 9 | 1L |
| Jesse Vázquez | 9 | 1L |
| Carlos Díaz | 8 | 1L |
| Diego Fernández-Soto | 8 | 1L |

This season had its ups and downs. The team got off to a good start with wins over Coral Shores and archrival Gulliver. The team was lead by Danny García at QB. Andrew Fernández, Jonathan Hernández, and Greg Fontela led a dominant rushing attack. The gaping holes for the running back were opened up by sophomore Adrián Pou, freshman Joey Capote and 8th grader Carlos Díaz. Chris Brolley and Roly St. Louis dominated the aerial strike. The defense was led by Jon Eric Alvarez with 3 sacks. Greg Fontela and John Smit held opposing running backs at bay. Shutting down the passing game were defensive backs Diego Fernández-Soto, Giovanni Christodoulou, and Jordi Macías. The coaches did a wonderful job going through the tough times. The team was able to come together despite many injuries and they were able to enjoy a succesful JV season.



JUNIOR VARSITY SOCCER



Head Coach:
Andrew Burns Vasell
(1st Year)

Team Record: 8-1-1



Felipe Ortega



Andrés Kaifer



Diego Abaroa

Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|-------------------|-----|-----|
| Gabriel Marrero | 10 | 2L |
| Andrés Kaifer | 10 | 2L |
| Roland St. Louis | 10 | 2L |
| Diego Abaroa | 9 | 2L |
| Santiago Morfín | 9 | 2L |
| Sebastián Otero | 9 | 2L |
| Clarence Chamorro | 9 | 1L |
| Alberto Ballester | 9 | 1L |
| Dantes Gutiérrez | 9 | 1L |
| James Darmody | 9 | 1L |
| Alonso Carrillo | 9 | 1L |
| Eric Zambrano | 9 | 1L |
| Mario Fernández | 9 | 1L |
| Luis Polanco | 9 | 1L |
| Roberto Sroka | 8 | 1L |
| Daniel Lobo | 8 | 1L |
| Daniel Rojas | 8 | 1L |
| Michael Cruz | 8 | 1L |
| Iñigo Abaroa | 8 | 1L |
| Hugo Hormazabal | 8 | 1L |
| Felipe Ortega | 8 | 1L |
| Llobal Alonso | 8 | 1L |
| Rodolfo Trigueros | 8 | 1L |
| Andrés Mármol | 8 | 1L |

The JV team surpassed all the expectations for the season. From only winning one game last year to only losing one this year. All the players were impressive in their respective positions, they worked hard to put this program on the top, with 8 wins, 1 loss and 1 tie. These players have the potential to succeed in the future and be great representatives of the Wolverine Soccer program around the state. I'm very proud of these young players, congratulations and keep up the hard work and dedication. Top players for the team were Goalkeepers Sebastián Otero and Iñigo Abaroa; defenders Gabriel Marrero and Michael Cruz; mid-fielders Felipe Ortega and Daniel Rojas and forwards Roland St. Louis and Alonso Carrillo.

FRESHMAN BASKETBALL



Head Coach:
Eddie Delgado (5th Year)

Team Record: 9-7

Team Recognition:
2nd Place at North Broward Prep. Tournament



Giovanni Christodoulou



John Smit



Richard Bandrich

Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|------------------------|-----|-----|
| Edwin Andrés | 9 | 1L |
| Giovanni Christodoulou | 9 | 1L |
| Agustín Guardiola | 9 | 1L |
| Javier Caraballo | 9 | 1L |
| John Smit | 9 | 1L |
| Agustín de Goytisolo | 9 | 1L |
| Richard Bandrich | 9 | 1L |
| Daniel Méndez | 9 | 1L |
| Alex del Río | 9 | 1L |
| Javier Ramos | 9 | 1L |
| Armando Amin | 9 | 1L |
| Ricardo Rodríguez | 9 | 1L |
| Jordi Macías | 9 | 1L |
| James Robbins | 9 | 1L |
| Gregory Fontela | 9 | 1L |
| Gustavo Duquesne | 9 | 1L |
| Andrew Fernández | 9 | 1L |

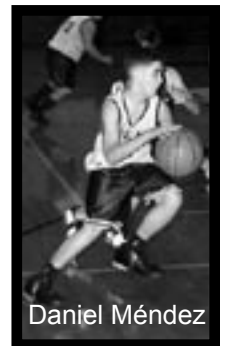


Alex del Río

The Freshman Basketball team finished with a 9-7 record. The team displayed great effort and enthusiasm in each game during the season. Many players contributed in different ways as the team ended with a winning record. They had outstanding victories against Gulliver, Delray American Heritage, Coral Park, Chaminade, & North Broward Prep. The team also finished 2nd at the North Broward Prep Freshman Basketball Tournament. Many thanks to the outstanding support from all the parents this season!



Gregory Fontela



Daniel Méndez



JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL

Head Coach:
Thomas de Quesada
(2nd Year)

Team Record: 22-4

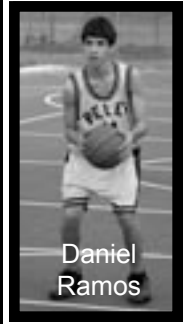
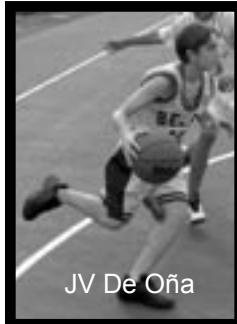
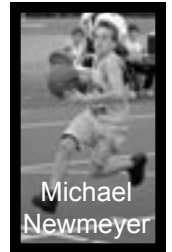
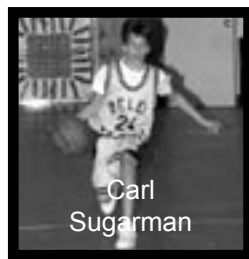
Team Recognition:
ACC Champions

Individual Recognition:
All Conference- Alex Ipar-
raguirre, Michael García,
Daniel Ramos and Joshua
Espinosa



Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|-------------------|-----|-----|
| Joshua Espinosa | 8 | 2C |
| Daniel Ramos | 8 | 2C |
| Michael Newmeyer | 8 | 2C |
| Robert Arán | 8 | 2C |
| Alex Iparraguirre | 8 | 2C |
| Michael García | 8 | 1C |
| Joshua Avila | 8 | 1C |
| Matthew Hanlon | 8 | 1C |
| Jorge de Oña | 8 | 1C |
| André García | 8 | 1C |
| Carl Sugarman | 8 | 1C |
| John Rincón | 8 | 1C |
| Luis Wulff | 7 | 1C |
| Jorge Menocal | 7 | 1C |
| Nicholas Llaca | 7 | 1C |



The 2003-2004 team had an exceptional season because of the outstanding teamwork it exhibited on and off the court. Led by coach Thomas de Quesada, the team repeated as champions of the All Catholic Conference. The team was very experienced because of the 12 eighth graders on the roster. The group was led all season by the hustle and charisma of Alex Iparraguirre and Matthew Hanlon. Daniel Ramos provided the necessary scoring punch off the bench, and Joshua Espinosa, a two year starter, provided an inside presence and outstanding scoring ability. Michael García was the backbone of the team with his spectacular outside shooting and leadership by example approach.

Point guard duties were shared by Carl Sugarman, Michael Newmeyer, JV de Oña and André García. They were all outstanding in their distribution of the ball and their leadership abilities. Robert Arán personified what Coach de Quesada preached, which was constant heart, hustle, and effort on the defensive end of the court. Joshua Avila and Tommy Rincón also did outstanding work in their roles as reserves.

The outlook for next year's team is very promising. 7th graders Nick Llaca, Jorge Menocal and Luis Wulff each contributed to the team this year and will be counted on as team leaders in the future.

In the end, what made the unit a special one, was its commitment to defense. Defense propelled the team to its biggest victories all season against Epiphany and Gulliver. Depth was also a contributor to the team's success and everyone was able to share in the enjoyment of the year.

JUNIOR HIGH BASEBALL



Head Coach:
Ernesto Díaz (2nd Year)

Assistant Coach:
Mike Cabrera

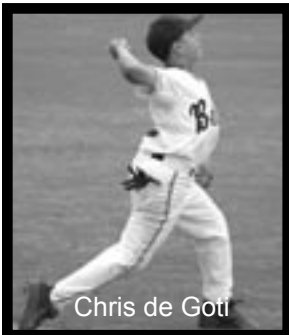
Team Record: 16-3-3
(4-3-1 in ACC)

Team Recognition: ACC- 3rd Place in
Northern Division

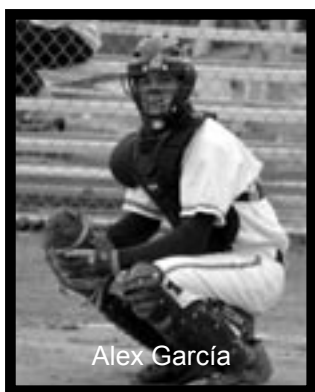
Individual Recognition: MVP-Alex García
and Coaches Award- Mario Rojas



Nicholas Herrera



Chris de Goti



Alex García



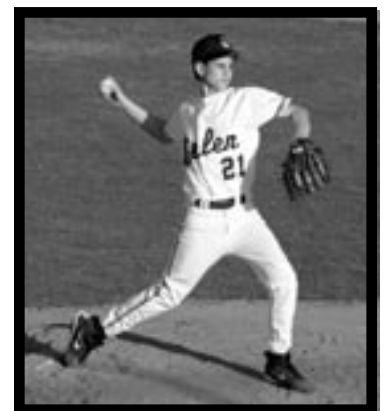
Mario Rojas

Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|---------------------|-----|-----|
| Guido Arreola | 8 | 2C |
| Lucas Calderón | 8 | 2C |
| Christopher de Goti | 8 | 2C |
| Alexander García | 8 | 2C |
| Gerry González | 8 | 2C |
| Nicholas Martínez | 8 | 2C |
| Nicholas Herrera | 8 | 2C |
| Wilfred Alvarez | 8 | 2C |
| Andrés Pumariega | 8 | 1C |
| Joseph Castellón | 8 | 1C |
| Javier Padrón | 8 | 1C |
| Joshua Pereira | 8 | 1C |
| Nicholas Llaca | 7 | 1C |
| Mario Rojas | 7 | 1C |
| William Haralson | 7 | 1C |
| André Wiltz | 7 | 1C |
| Luis Wulff | 7 | 1C |
| René Gómez | 7 | 1C |
| Danile Vázquez | 7 | 1C |
| Zackary Berger | 7 | 1C |



The 2004 Baseball team faced quite a challenging but rewarding year. Their 22 game schedule was demanding and grueling, playing double headers on Saturdays against traveling baseball teams from Dade, Broward and other counties. Their final overall record of 16-3-3, established them as a top contender. There were so many other teams wanting to play us, that many offers had to be turned down or we would still be playing in June. With a full schedule, this large and unique blend of 7th and 8th graders was always on the offensive. The 8th graders led in defense in the outfield with Nicholas Herrera, Joseph Castellón and Gerry González who also pitches. The infield was covered by Chris de Goti, Lucas Calderón, Nick Martínez, Willy Alvarez and Joshua Pereira. The exclusive pitchers were André Pumariega, Guido Arreola, and Javier Padrón. Last but not least was the MVP catcher Alex García. The team would not be complete without the 7th graders. Without their contributions we would have had a long road with no gas. They contributed enormously to this team this year. So much so, that Mario Rojas earned the Coach's Award for outstanding pitching.



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JUNIOR HIGH CROSS COUNTRY

Head Coach:
 Víctor Arrieta
 (2nd Year)

Assistant Coach:
 Iván Santa-Cruz
 Erik Montalvo



Once again the JH Cross Country team entered the season looking to bring home another Dade County title, but the Wolverines fell seven points short of attaining their goal. Led by a core group of 8th graders that included Guillermo Echarte, Michael Cruz, Rudy Villanueva, Chris Baran, Doug Chacón, Nick Martínez, and 7th graders Michele Martucci and Dylan Rico. The team had a successful season capturing first place in nine out of eleven invitationals and second place in the other two meets. In the process the team earned its 14th ACC title in school history, making it seven in a row. In the ACC meet the team managed to a perfect score of 15, while placing its runners in the top seven spots for the first time in conference history. Guillermo Echarte became the individual champion of the Tri-County meet and the ACC meet, while placing 2nd at Dade County. The Varsity will be well represented for years to come.

Team Recognition:

1st Place- Belen Inv., Holy Rosary Inv., Jr. Orange Bowl Inv., Respect Life Inv., St. Theresa Inv., Lourdes Inv., Tri-County Inv., Ransom Inv., and ACC Inv. 2nd Place- flrunners.com Inv. & Dade County Youth Fair.

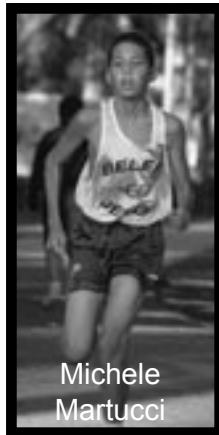
Individual Recognition:

First Team All Conference- Guillermo Echarte, Michele Martucci, Michael Cruz, Chris Baran, Nicholas Martínez, Douglas Chacón, Carlos López and Dylan Rico.

Team Roster



Guillermo Echarte



Michele Martucci



Chris Baran



Rudy Villanueva

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|----------------------|-----|-----|
| Guillermo Echarte | 8 | 3C |
| Michael Cruz | 8 | 3C |
| Nicholas Martínez | 8 | 2C |
| Nelson Alemany | 8 | 2C |
| Douglas Chacón | 8 | 2C |
| Christopher de Goti | 8 | 2C |
| Alejandro Sealey | 8 | 2C |
| Omar Valenzuela | 8 | 2C |
| Michele Martucci | 7 | 2C |
| Rudy Villanueva | 8 | 1C |
| Chris Baran | 8 | 1C |
| Sebastián Juncadella | 8 | 1C |
| Richard Smit | 8 | 1C |
| Adolfo Rosales | 8 | 1C |
| Guido Arreola | 8 | 1C |
| Lucas Calderón | 8 | 1C |
| Carlos López | 8 | 1C |
| André García | 8 | 1C |
| Alexander Pastoriza | 8 | 1C |
| Francisco Chamorro | 7 | 1C |
| Dylan Rico | 7 | 1C |
| Patrick de la Llana | 7 | 1C |
| Daniel Blanco | 7 | 1C |
| Daniel Echeverría | 7 | 1C |
| Raúl Duarte | 7 | 1C |
| Lawrence Durán | 7 | 1C |



Douglas Chacón



Dylan Rico



Nicholas Martínez

JUNIOR HIGH FLAG FOOTBALL



Blue Team

Head Coach:
Ramón Crego (2nd Year)

Team Record: 11-1

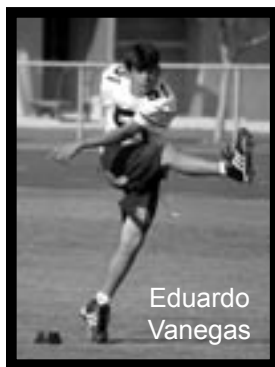
Team Recognition: ACC Champions
and 2nd Place Tri-County

Blue Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|----------------------|-----|-----|
| Diego Fernández-Soto | 8 | 3C |
| Robert Arán | 8 | 2C |
| Jorge V. de Oña | 8 | 3C |
| Michael Ríos | 8 | 3C |
| Adrián Zubillaga | 8 | 3C |
| Michael García | 8 | 2C |
| Matthew Hanlon | 8 | 2C |
| Carl Sugarman | 8 | 2C |
| Daniel Ramos | 8 | 1C |
| Robert Sroka | 8 | 1C |
| Nicholas Scher | 8 | 1C |
| Anthony Diblasi | 8 | 1C |
| Eric Guitián | 8 | 1C |
| Gabriel Hawa | 8 | 1C |
| Jorge Rodríguez | 8 | 1C |
| Javier Arenas | 8 | 1C |
| Christopher Bustos | 8 | 1C |
| José TJ Villamil | 8 | 1C |
| Eduardo Vanegas | 8 | 1C |



Diego
Fernández-Soto



Eduardo
Vanegas



Carl Sugarman J.V.
de Oña

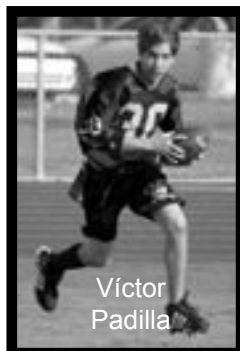
This year's Flag Football program seemed to continue where it left off last year. The Blue team continued its dominance in ACC play, winning its conference for the 4th year in a row. The Blue team was lead by Diego Fernández and J.V. de Oña. The Gold team also had a successful season coming up short by one score to winning their conference. The Gold team was lead by Víctor Padilla and Alex Roviroso.

Gold Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|
| Chris Henry | 8 | 1C |
| Andrés Mármol | 8 | 1C |
| Amado Nieto | 8 | 1C |
| Anthony Paz | 8 | 1C |
| Alfonso Aguila | 7 | 1C |
| Tomislav Belfranin | 7 | 1C |
| Erick Bustos | 7 | 1C |
| Andrés Masvidal | 7 | 1C |
| Andrew Orosco | 7 | 1C |
| Víctor Padilla | 7 | 1C |
| Alec Puig | 7 | 1C |
| Lázaro Rodríguez | 7 | 1C |
| Andrés Roviroso | 7 | 1C |
| Javier Sosa | 7 | 1C |
| Max Echarte | 6 | 1C |
| Sergio Fernández-Soto | 6 | 1C |
| Fabio Raucci | 6 | 1C |



Sergio
Fernández-Soto Lázaro
Rodríguez



Víctor
Padilla

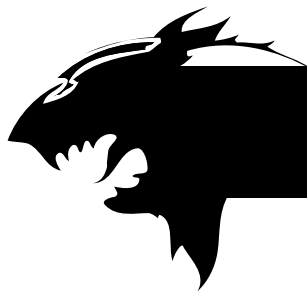


Gold Team

Head Coach:
Barney Flores (1st Year)

Assistant Coach:
David Hernández

Team Record: 8-3



JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL



Head Coach: Nick García

Assistant Coaches:

- JP Madariaga
- Thomas Plá
- Juan Pérez

Team Record: 4-1

The young Wolverines had a memorable season this year that was highlighted with great defensive and offensive performances in every game. Defensively they had 3 shutouts against Gulliver, Florida Christian, and American Heritage Delray Beach, averaging only 2.8 points allowed per game. Every player on this defense played well, and it allowed the offense to comfortably put points on the board while consuming the play clock. Adrián Zubillaga led the team in tackles; T.J. Villamil lead the team fumble recoveries; Chris Bustos, Mike Abadín, Javier Arenas, Javi Sosa, Eddy Vanegas, and Roberto Sroka all had their fair share of quarterback sacks; and Carl Sugarman, Nick Herrera and Víctor Padilla each had interceptions. Offensively Nick Llaca threw for 65+ yards to receivers like Chris Cruz, JV de Ona, Jimmy Holmquist, and Nick Herrera; while running backs Robert Arán, Nick Herrera, Carl Sugarman, and Roberto Sroka each ran for over 60 yards a game while Javier Arenas, Mike Ríos, Javi Sosa and Jonathan Lara added 15+ of their own in games. The Wolverines had four consecutive victories on the road, and suffered their only loss to an 8-6 heartbreaker versus American Heritage Plantation at de La Cruz Stadium. All in all, this year's team surprised a lot of people, and it comes from the hard work they put in during the summer.

Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|--------------------|-----|-----|
| Robert Arán | 8 | 2C |
| Christopher Bustos | 8 | 2C |
| Alexis Corral | 8 | 2C |
| Erick Echeverría | 8 | 2C |
| Eric Guitián | 8 | 2C |
| James Holmquist | 8 | 2C |
| Amado Nieto Jr. | 8 | 2C |
| Michael Ríos | 8 | 2C |
| Roberto Sroka | 8 | 2C |
| Carl Sugarman | 8 | 2C |
| José TJ Villamil | 8 | 2C |
| Adrián Zubillaga | 8 | 2C |
| Nicholas Llaca | 7 | 2C |
| Michael Abadín | 7 | 2C |
| Javier Arenas | 8 | 1C |
| Anthony Armas | 8 | 1C |
| Christopher Cruz | 8 | 1C |
| Jorge V. de Oña | 8 | 1C |
| Steven Echenique | 8 | 1C |
| Anthony Fleites | 8 | 1C |
| Gabriel Hawa | 8 | 1C |
| Chris Henry | 8 | 1C |
| Nick Herrera | 8 | 1C |
| Philipp Klumpp | 8 | 1C |
| Jonathan Lara | 8 | 1C |
| Josh Llano | 8 | 1C |
| David Magarolas | 8 | 1C |
| Jeremy Matza | | 8 |
| 1C | | |
| Armando Méndez | 8 | 1C |
| Anthony Paz | 8 | 1C |
| Brian Sánchez | | 8 |
| 1C | | |
| Nicholas Scher | 8 | 1C |
| Eduardo Vanegas | 8 | 1C |
| Gasper Barreto | 7 | 1C |
| Tomislav Belfranín | 7 | 1C |
| Erick Bustos | 7 | 1C |
| Nicholas Delgado | 7 | 1C |
| Daniel Díaz | 7 | 1C |
| Robert Grimal | 7 | 1C |
| Raúl Loys | 7 | 1C |
| Ralph Mas | 7 | 1C |
| Víctor Padilla | 7 | 1C |

JUNIOR HIGH SOCCER



Head Coach:
Clarence Chamorro (1st Year)

Assistant Coach: Iván Santa-Cruz

Team Record: 8-3-0

Individual Recognition:
All Conference Team Rudy Villanueva
and Juan Boloña



Rudy Villanueva



Juan Arellano



Max Echarte



René Gómez

The Jr. High Soccer team had a great season this year. The cancellation of 6th grade soccer by the ACC left Belen with enough players to form two complete, competitive squads. The younger players especially showed their mettle while facing opponents that were often larger and older than themselves. The two squads played hard throughout the season to finish the year in second place in the conference.

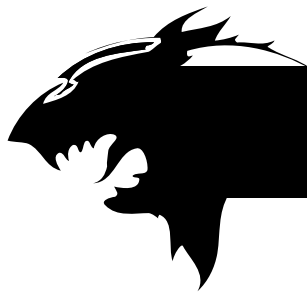


Juan Boloña

Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|---------------------|-----|-----|
| Víctor Verdeja | 8 | 2C |
| Guillermo Echarte | 8 | 1C |
| Richard Smit | 8 | 1C |
| Rudy Villanueva | 8 | 1C |
| Rodolfo Trigueros | 8 | 1C |
| Juan Arellano | 7 | 1C |
| Juan Boloña | 7 | 1C |
| Francisco Chamorro | 7 | 1C |
| Juan de la Ossa | 7 | 1C |
| René Gómez | 7 | 1C |
| Robert Grimal | 7 | 1C |
| Luiz Lam | 7 | 1C |
| Raúl Loys | 7 | 1C |
| Michele Martucci | 7 | 1C |
| Fabrizio Pérez | 7 | 1C |
| Thomas Perkins | 7 | 1C |
| Maximiliano Sánchez | 7 | 1C |
| André Seidenthal | 7 | 1C |
| Juan Altirriba | 6 | 1C |
| Valentin Arenas | 6 | 1C |
| Max Echarte | 6 | 1C |
| Carlos García-Vélez | 6 | 1C |
| Brix Gómez | 6 | 1C |
| Jorge Guarch | 6 | 1C |
| Michael Lobo | 6 | 1C |
| Brandon Mesa | 6 | 1C |
| Julian Ochoa | 6 | 1C |
| Juan Ouvina | 6 | 1C |
| Fabio Raucci | 6 | 1C |
| Edward Smit | 6 | 1C |
| Sebastián Cardona | 6 | 1C |
| Andrés Morfín | 6 | 1C |





JUNIOR HIGH SWIMMING

Head Coach:
Olga Uribe (3rd Year)

Team Recognition:
Dade County Champions

Individual Recognition:
1st Place finishers at Dade County-
Pablo Morejón (Back), Julio López
(Breast), Sebastián Orozco (Free),
Víctor López-Cantera (Fly), and
Sebastián Ortiz (100 IM),



Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|----------------------|-----|-----|
| Carlos Araque | 8 | 2C |
| Tulio Alvarez-Burgos | 8 | 2C |
| Víctor López-Cantera | 8 | 2C |
| Marco Mejia | 8 | 2C |
| Andrés Simauchi | 8 | 2C |
| Pablo Morejón | 7 | 2C |
| Carlos Basnuevo | 7 | 2C |
| Alejandro Gimenez | 7 | 2C |
| Julio López | 7 | 2C |
| Michael Paula | 8 | 1C |
| Diego Dona | 8 | 1C |
| Sebastián Orozco | 8 | 1C |
| Giovanni Rodríguez | 8 | 1C |
| Gustavo Figueroa | 8 | 1C |
| Daniel Echeverría | 7 | 1C |
| David Fonseca | 7 | 1C |
| Nicolás Yoda | 7 | 1C |
| Jake Bakas | 7 | 1C |
| Manuel Flor | 7 | 1C |
| Mike Canaves | 6 | 1C |
| Sebastián Silverio | 6 | 1C |



Sebastián Orozco



Víctor López-Cantera



Carlos Araque

The JH swim team defended its Dade County Middle School Championship for the 6th year in a row. The group of hard working young men were able to defend the prestigious championship begin third year coach Olga Uribe. The team had an exceptional season going undefeated with wins over Gulliver, Ransom, and Miami Country Day. They have continued Belen's winning ways promoting sportsmanship along with humility towards their rivals. Outstanding efforts belonged to Sebastián Orozco, Víctor López-Cantera, Julio López, Carlos Basnuevo, Pablo Morejón, Tulio Alvarez-Burgos. They were all finalists at the Dade County Championship. This was a great year for Belen's Swim program and we would like to acknowledge our parents for their volunteer help, dedication and contributions to our athletes.

We would also thank coach Olga Uribe for hard work and motivation towards the team.



Carlos Basnuevo

JUNIOR HIGH TENNIS



Head Coach:
Patrick Collins
(20th Year)

Team Record: _____

| <u>Team Roster</u> | | |
|---------------------|------------|------------|
| <u>Name</u> | <u>Gd.</u> | <u>Lt.</u> |
| Juan Fernández | 7 | 2C |
| Patrick de la Llana | 7 | 2C |
| Antoine López | 8 | 1C |
| Luis Vernet | 8 | 1C |
| Michael Boord | 8 | 1C |
| William Gómez | 8 | 1C |
| José de la Torre | 8 | 1C |
| Juan Bolona | 7 | 1C |
| Manuel Abella | 7 | 1C |
| Steve Zambrano | 6 | 1C |

Opponents

| | |
|-----------------------|-------|
| Palmer-Trinity | _____ |
| Westminster Christian | _____ |
| Miami Country Day | _____ |
| Ransom-Everglades | _____ |
| Gulliver | _____ |
| Epiphany | _____ |



< Patrick de la Llana

Juan Fernández >



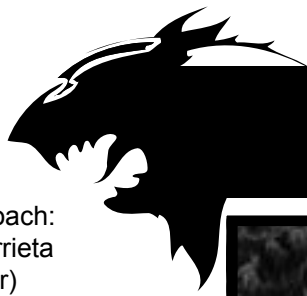
Juan Boloña

< Manuel Abella

Antoine López >



The Junior High Tennis team was one of the strongest in school history as five of the players (Juan Boloña, Juan Fernández, Antoine López, Manny Abella and Patrick de la Llana) also played on the Varsity Team. Seventh Grader Juan Boloña finished the Varsity season with a 13-0 singles record and continued his winning ways in Junior High as the #1 Singles player. Seventh Grader Juan Fernández played brilliant #2 Singles and the team of Juan and Juan made an outstanding doubles combination. Antoine López at #3 Singles proved to be a powerful Singles and Doubles player. The future of tennis at Belen looks bright. The Junior High record from 1985 until 2003 is 56 – 30.



JUNIOR HIGH TRACK & FIELD

Head Coach:
Víctor Arrieta
(3rd Year)

Assistant Coach:
Iván Santa-Cruz

Team Recognition:
1st Place- ACC Relays,
Respect Life Inv., Tri-County
Inv., Crusader Classic, Fla.
Christian Inv., All Catholic
Conf. Inv., 2nd - State Meet

Individual Recognition: 4x400
School Record- Robert Arán,
Daniel Ramos, Chris Baran and
Diego Fernández-Soto (3:51.47)



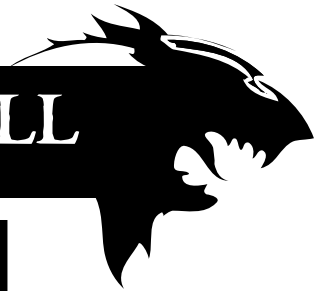
Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|----------------------|-----|-----|
| Robert Arán | 8 | 3C |
| Guillermo Echarte | 8 | 3C |
| Carlos Díaz | 8 | 2C |
| Diego Fernández-Soto | 8 | 2C |
| Adrián Zubillaga | 8 | 2C |
| Rudy Villanueva | 8 | 2C |
| Christopher Baran | 8 | 2C |
| Alex Sealey | 8 | 2C |
| Douglas Chacón | 8 | 2C |
| Alex Iparraguirre | 8 | 2C |
| Amado Nieto | 8 | 2C |
| Daniel Ramos | 8 | 1C |
| Antonio Quezada | 8 | 1C |
| Michael García | 8 | 1C |
| Andrés Calleja | 8 | 1C |
| Arnie Izquierdo | 8 | 1C |
| Sebastián Juncadella | 8 | 1C |
| Carl Sugarman | 8 | 1C |
| André García | 8 | 1C |
| Javier Arenas | 8 | 1C |
| Eric Guitián | 8 | 1C |
| Eduardo Vanegas | 8 | 1C |
| Nikolas Balseiro8 | 1C | |
| Adolfo Rosales | 8 | 1C |
| Richard Smit | 8 | 1C |
| José TJ Villamil | 8 | 1C |
| Jorge V. de Oña | 8 | 1C |
| Omar Valenzuela | 8 | 1C |
| Carlos Bolívar | 8 | 1C |
| Daniel Echeverría | 7 | 1C |
| Carlos García-Vélez | 6 | 1C |



The JH Track team continued its tradition of excellence by staying undefeated in all invitationals. The team had a good balance of field events, sprinters and distance runners, which allowed them to claim the 14th ACC Title for the school and the 4th Tri-County Championship. The 4x400 team was able to break the school record at the FLRunners State Meet running a 3:51.47. Congratulations to all athletes and a big thank you to all the parents who helped at the meets.

JUNIOR HIGH VOLLEYBALL



Head Coach:
Tony Ullivarri (1st Year)

Team Record: 8-1

Team Recognition:
2nd Place ACC Tournament

Individual Recognition:
First Team All Conference
Michael Cruz and
Nicholas Fischer



Mario Allanic



Daniele Mion-Bet



Michael Cruz

Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|---------------------|-----|-----|
| Mario Allanic | 8 | 1C |
| Brien Cabielles | 8 | 1C |
| Michael Cruz | 8 | 1C |
| Christopher de Goti | 8 | 1C |
| Guillermo Echarte | 8 | 1C |
| Eduardo Escobar | 8 | 1C |
| Andrew Ferran | 8 | 1C |
| Nicolás Fischer | 8 | 1C |
| Michael Garrote | 8 | 1C |
| Daniele Mion-Bet | 8 | 1C |
| Rudy Villanueva | 8 | 1C |
| Christopher Palomo | 6 | 1C |
| Joseph Santos | 6 | 1C |

The 2003 JH volleyball team surpassed all expectations this year. The team was comprised of a brand new roster consisting of 12 players who had never played the sport. The team responded by amassing 8 wins compared to only 1 defeat and captured 2nd place at the ACC Tournament. The team was led by Michael Cruz, Nicky Fischer, and Daniele Mion-Bet. Every game, these players showed their exemplary leadership and knowledge by helping their teammates understand their particular assignment on the court. Guillermo Echarte and Rudy Villanueva demonstrated hustle every game and were the ones that inspired their team to perform well. The best servers on the team were Mario Allanic and Chris de Goti, whom were counted on to score the most crucial points. Only 6th grader Christopher Palomo will return to next year's squad so the team will be faced with a challenge again next year.



Rudy Villanueva





6TH GRADE BASKETBALL

Head Coach:
Carlos Bravo
(1st Year)

Team Record: 12-0

Team Recognition: ACC Champions



Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|
| Andrew Alvarado | 6 | 1C |
| Sergio Fernández-Soto | 6 | 1C |
| Carlos García-Vélez | 6 | 1C |
| Benjamin Tyler | 6 | 1C |
| David Iparraguirre | 6 | 1C |
| Juan Chediak | 6 | 1C |
| Nick Santurio | 6 | 1C |
| Javier del Riego | 6 | 1C |
| Arturo Martínez | 6 | 1C |
| Alexander Admire | 6 | 1C |
| Tyler Riverón | 6 | 1C |
| Marcos Calderón | 6 | 1C |
| Pablo Alvarez | 6 | 1C |



Alexander Admire



Carlos
García-Vélez



Tyler Riverón

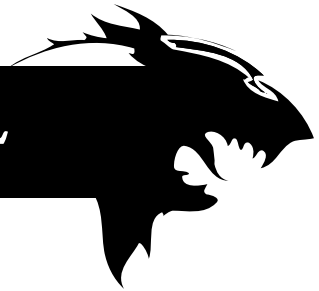
This year's team ended up undefeated with a record of 12-0. It was a wonderful experience for the players, parents and me. I had never seen a group of individuals that enjoyed playing the game as much as these 13 players did. They were like sponges, absorbing every bit of basketball knowledge that came their way. Being around them, and sharing this with them is what coaching is all about.

In order for the Belen basketball program to be successful, we need to have a strong foundation, players that believe in the program, and it all starts at the 6th grade level. We have that foundation, and it can only get better.

A big Thank you goes out to the parents for all their support, it is reflected in your sons and how they enjoyed the game. Another big thnak you goes to Coach Roca and Coach Barquin for this opportunity and the players for listening, hustling, and allowing me to coach them.



6TH GRADE BASEBALL



Head Coach:
Ernesto Díaz
(3rd Year)

Assistant Coach:
Mike Cabrera

Team Record:
10-0

Team Recognition ACC Southern Division Undefeated Champion
3rd Place Homestead Thanksgiving Bash
3rd Place Super Series Miami: Thanksgiving Classic



Stephen Fernández



Arturo Matínez



Edgar Sánchez



Anthony Pérez



Nik Nevin

Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|
| Stephen Fernández | | 6 |
| 1C | | |
| Joey Rodríguez | 6 | 1C |
| Alex Díaz | 6 | 1C |
| Edgar Sánchez | 6 | 1C |
| Alex Olesen | 6 | 1C |
| Félix Castillo | 6 | 1C |
| Anthony Pérez | 6 | 1C |
| Frank Méndez | 6 | 1C |
| Manuel Massens | 6 | 1C |
| Sergio Fernández-Soto | 6 | 1C |
| Edward Franca | 6 | 1C |
| Arturo Martínez | 6 | 1C |
| Andrew Vega | 6 | 1C |
| Michael Mechoso | 6 | 1C |
| Nik Nevin | 6 | 1C |
| Marcos Calderón | 6 | 1C |
| Christopher Pérez-Tirse | 6 | 1C |

On the top and don't look down. That's the way the 2004 6th grade baseball team started the pre-season by entering two Travel Baseball tournaments and placing third in both of them. This was just the prelude to their season. As the All-Catholic Conference season commenced, the Belen 6th grade team carved a path to a successful undefeated season. This was credited to the team's effortless bonding that created one heartbeat. The team's great pitching arms that dominated were Edgar Sánchez, Frank Méndez, Manuel Massen, Eddy Franca, and Frankie Romero along with the outstanding south paws Anthony Pérez and Marcos Calderón who made life miserable for the opposition. Securing home plate was placed in the hands of three great players - Joey Rodríguez, Félix Castillo and Alex Olesen. They were the wits behind the team. The infielders were Stephen Fernández, Nik Nevin, Alex Díaz and Art Martínez who were rarely contested and solid as a wall. Our utility players Sergio Fernández, Christopher Pérez-Tirse, Andrew Vega and Michael Mechoso were players that could play the outfield as well as the infield. As we look back at the season we can only describe the games as fast and furious but with compassion. Enjoy your ACC Southern Division Championship!



6TH GRADE CROSS COUNTRY

Head Coach:
V́ctor Arrieta
(2nd Year)

Assistant Coach:
Iv́n Santa-Cruz
Erik Montalvo



Team Recognition:

1st Place- All Catholic Conference, Belen Inv., Holy Rosary Inv. Respect Life Inv. and Lourdes Inv.
2nd Place- Tri-County and
3rd Place- St. Theresa Inv.

Individual Recognition:

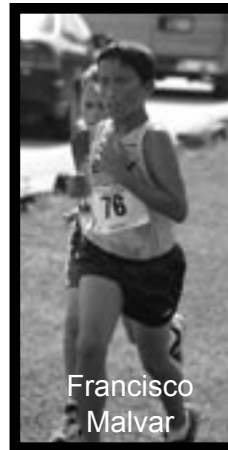
First Team All Conference- Max Echarte (2nd place), Edward Smit (5th place) and Brix G3mez (9th place)

Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|-------------------|-----|-----|
| Max Echarte | 6 | 1C |
| Edward Smit | 6 | 1C |
| Brix G3mez | 6 | 1C |
| Francisco Malvar | 6 | 1C |
| Nik Nevin | 6 | 1C |
| Jonathan Goodman | 6 | 1C |
| Enrique Comas | 6 | 1C |
| Carlos Padr3n | 6 | 1C |
| Pablo Alvarez | 6 | 1C |
| Ryan Peters | 6 | 1C |
| Devon Silverang | 6 | 1C |
| Alex Olesen | 6 | 1C |
| Gianfranco Matute | 6 | 1C |
| Landon Michelson | 6 | 1C |
| Edgar S3nchez | 6 | 1C |
| Diego Juncadella | 6 | 1C |
| Joseph Santos | 6 | 1C |



Max Echarte



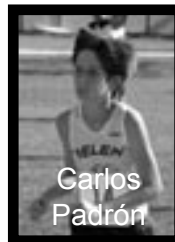
Francisco Malvar



Jonathan Goodman Enrique Comas



Pablo Alvarez



Carlos Padr3n



Brix G3mez



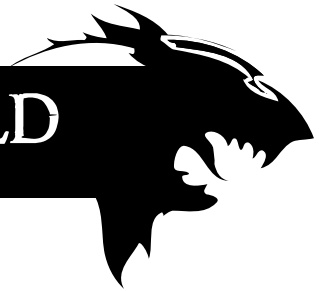
Nik Nevin



Edward Smit

With every new school year comes the question, what kids are we going to get for Cross Country in 6th grade? This year we were blessed with great talents and good work habits. The young wolverines were able to capture five first place finishes throughout the year. The team was led by the one-two-three punch of Max Echarte, Edward Smit and Brix G3mez. The supporting cast included Francisco Malvar, Nik Nevin, Jonathan Goodman, Enrique Comas, Carlos Padr3n and Pablo Alvarez. The team ran their way to the school's sixth ACC title in eleven years. The future looks promising for this group of harriers.

6TH GRADE TRACK & FIELD



Head Coach: Víctor Arrieta (3rd Year)

Assistant Coach: Iván Santa-Cruz

Team Recognition: All Catholic Conference and Respect Life Champions

Individual Recognition: ACC Champions- Edward Smit, Pablo Alvarez, Sergio Fernández-Soto, Devon Silverang, Brix Gómez, and Carlos García-Vélez,

Team Roster

| Name | Gd. | Lt. |
|-----------------------|-----|-----|
| Jorge Guarch | 6 | 1C |
| Devon Silverang | 6 | 1C |
| Juan C. González | 6 | 1C |
| Andrés Novoa | 6 | 1C |
| Pablo Alvarez | 6 | 1C |
| Mario Santiago | 6 | 1C |
| Carlos Padrón | 6 | 1C |
| Brix Gómez | 6 | 1C |
| Edward Smit | 6 | 1C |
| Francisco Malvar | 6 | 1C |
| Sergio Fernández-Soto | 6 | 1C |
| Carlos García-Vélez | 6 | 1C |
| Ryan Peters | 6 | 1C |
| Jonathan Goodman | 6 | 1C |
| Enrique Comas | 6 | |



Brix Gómez



Pablo Alvarez



Sergio Fernández-Soto



Ryan Peters



Edward Smit



Carlos García-Vélez

The 6th grade Track team had a much improved season winning all of their meets except one. They won the Respect Life Inv. and the All Catholic Conference. They finished second in the Tri-County Championship by a mere 5 points. The sprinters were led by Pablo Alvarez, Carlos García-Vélez, Sergio Fernández-Soto, and Brix Gómez, the field events were led by Edward Smit, Ryan Peters, Andrés Novoa, and the distance runners were led by Francisco Malvar and Enrique Comas.

Arguello bests Sharkey again

BY MAMMY NAVARRO
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Brian Sharkey has spent most of the cross-country season trying to catch Belen's Eddie Arguello.

Right when Sharkey thought he had him Friday afternoon, Arguello pulled away from him again, besting 188 runners to win the Dade County Youth Fair Invitational at Tamiami Park for the second year in a row.

Arguello, who beat Sharkey by two seconds a week ago and set a county record (15:18.08) in winning the prestigious flrunners.com Invitational in Tampa, won Friday's race in 15:56.56.

THE STRONGEST PERSON I KNOW

BELEN JESUIT'S
EDDIE ARGUELLO
REFUSES TO RUN
FROM HIS DUTIES

BY MAMMY NAVARRO
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Belen Jesuit cross-country standout Eddie Arguello read Lance Armstrong's book recently, but it wasn't to learn how to be a champion athlete.

Armstrong, a five-time winner of the Tour de France, is also a cancer survivor. That's the part that most interests Arguello, whose father is battling the disease for the fourth time.

"He's my hero," Arguello said of his father, Eduardo Sr., who was first diagnosed with cancer in 2004 and has since been treated multiple times.



CHUCK ENGLISH/STAFF

TALENTED: Belen's Eddie Arguello was a first-team All-Dade selection last year.

WATCH BELEN

Standing in Pace's way is Belen and senior right-hander Gaby Hernandez, who has signed with FIU. Last season, Hernandez compiled a 9-4 record with 92 strikeouts and a 1.92 ERA while leading the Wolverines on an improbable run to the Class 3A state championship game.

Hernandez is one of seven seniors returning to Belen. One of them, catcher Danny Marquez, also an FIU signee, hit .335 with nine doubles.

"Everything clicked for us at the end of the season last year," Hernandez said. "We still have the same core of players, and now we know what it takes to make it back."

Region 4-3A semifinal — Belen 2, Monarch 0: Monarch took Broward by storm last week, winning the district title in just its first year. On Tuesday night, its dream season came to an end at the hands of Belen Jesuit (19-4-1).

"I'm very proud of them," said Knights coach Steve Lorenc. "I told them there was no history, no tradition for us to follow. Now we have one."

Belen scored first as Carlos Ortega's free kick cut through the Monarch defense for the goal just five minutes into the game. The rest of the game saw a very physical contest as nine yellow cards were issued, including two on Monarch's Marcus Amorin and Martin Tuesta.

The Knights, who outshot their opponent 15-8, had several scoring chances but couldn't finish as the Belen defense cleared nearly everything that came their way.

The second goal game with 13 minutes left in the game as Allmer Gonzalez came around the left side, beating Rodrigo DaSilva for the score.

"Today's game was one of the toughest game that we've played," said Belen coach Fabio Ortega. "In my three years coaching these guys, this was one of the toughest games. [Monarch] has a beautiful team. We're going to hear about these guys in the future."

Monarch finishes their inaugural year at 14-12-3.

"I'm disappointed but not in the boys," said Lorenc. "I'm just disappointed that the season came to an end."

—FRANK E. DEMARZO

TRACK AND FIELD

OUTLANDISH & OUTSTANDING

Belén's Javier Garcia Torres is many things — a sports student, a unique dresser and one of Florida's best decathletes.

BY MAMMY NAVARRO
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When Javier Garcia Torres participated in his first decathlon, he was nervous. He had never before, but he showed up for the first time at the meet, a competition involving a dozen different sports.

Garcia was a student at Belen, and he wanted to stand out.

"In high school, people looked at me like some weirdo," Garcia Torres said. "I'd wear up to six, 12 more all types of different clothes and get an opportunity to shine."



AP/WIDEWORLD: The high jump is one of Javier Garcia Torres's best events.

THE DECATHLETE

The decathlon is a combined event consisting of 10 different sports. It is one of the most demanding and physically demanding sports in the world. It requires a high level of fitness and endurance.

| EVENT | SCORE |
|---------------|-----------|
| 100 meters | 17.00 |
| 200 meters | 34.00 |
| 400 meters | 1:10.00 |
| 800 meters | 2:20.00 |
| 1,600 meters | 4:40.00 |
| 3,200 meters | 9:20.00 |
| 6,400 meters | 18:40.00 |
| 12,800 meters | 37:20.00 |
| 25,600 meters | 74:40.00 |
| 51,200 meters | 149:20.00 |

Belen defeats Columbus Belen, Gulliver advance to final

From Herald Staff

Alex Telleria had 23 points to lead Belen to a 42-37 boys' basketball win over Miami Beach in the semifinals of the Knight Time Tournament at Sunset on Thursday night.

The Wolverines (2-0) outscored the Hi-Tides 23-2 in the third quarter to rally from a 15-point halftime deficit. Belen plays Gulliver in the tournament final tonight at 8.

• Knight Time Tournament — Belen 76, Gulliver 60: Anthony Fernandez had 22 points — including 13 of 14 from the free-throw line — to lead the Wolverines to the tournament championship at Sunset. Alex Telleria added 19 points and Raul Ordonez contributed 15.

• Belen (3-0): Bermudez 6, Telleria 19, Fernandez 22, Ordonez 15, Manes 8, Zumarraga 4, Herms 2.

• Gulliver (2-1): Jones 25, Byrne 4, Winegar 2, Armas 12, Cruz 6, Hernandez 6, Ferraz 12, Bacon 1.

• Site: Sunset. **Half:** 9-37, 6-13. **3-pointers:** Telleria, Fernandez, Ordonez, Manes, Winegar, Armas 4, Hernandez, Ferraz 2. **Technical:** Gulliver coach. **Fouled out:** Byrne, Zumarraga. **Top rebounder:** Ordonez (8) 18. **Top assists:** Bermudez (8) 22.

• Belen Jesuit 55, Columbus 34: Alex Telleria hit a pair of free throws with 7.1 seconds remaining to lead the Wolverines to their first win over the Explorers. Belen coach Jose Roca said he believes Columbus' win streak over the Wolverines had reached 25 games.

Raul Ordonez, Belen's 6-5 center, preserved the win by blocking Columbus' final two shots. Telleria had 15 of his game-high 23 points in the fourth quarter to pace Belen. Anthony Fernandez added 11 points and 10 rebounds.

• C: Gutierrez 4, Valdivia 3, Benito 2, Lopez 12, Lowery 4, Diaz 29.

• BJ (19-3): Bermudez 7, Telleria 23, Fernandez 11, Manes 4, Ordonez 8, Echenniza 2.

• Site: BJ. **Half:** C 18-17, 3-pointers: Valdivia, Telleria, Ordonez. **Fouled out:** Diaz. **Top rebounder:** Ordonez 15. **Top assists:** Bermudez 8.



ROWING TITLES

The Belen rowing teams won two gold medals and one silver at the Florida Scholastic State Championship Regatta last weekend in Orlando. Top

Belen rowing team excels at Winter Sprints Regatta

The Belen rowing team won five gold, two silver and one bronze medals at the Winter Sprints Regatta held by the Miami Beach Rowing Club. In addition to Jack Vign, who won gold in a single and was on the Cuban team, three Belen rowers were on the team. They were: Alex Torres, David Torres, and Alex Torres. They were coached by Coach Jose Roca.



INDIVIDUAL STARS: The Belen rowing team competed in the Southern Springs Regatta and two athletes earned awards. Mario Egges and Chris Gutierrez. They are flanked by Coach Pedro Ramirez and assistant coach Eduardo Camarero.

Belen Crew starts rowing with gold, silver medals

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WRESTLING STATE FINALS

Nine Dade wrestlers earn titles

■ Three Dade wrestlers — Jason Machado, Marino Estephan and Javier Estephan — wrap up perfect seasons and six others also win state.

It wasn't the only rematch to reverse in Saturday's state 160, Braddock Jun Perez, who was sp hair, knocked off 5-

And of all the champs, no one made bigger news than Belen's Jason Machado (38-0), who became only the sixth wrestler in county history to win three state titles. After the win, Machado hugged coach Fidel Abelo and held back tears.

For Machado, who only had four teammates on his wrestling team at Belen and spent most of the season practicing with Braddock, Southwest and Columbus, the two points couldn't spoil the moment.

"He's the best wrestler I've ever coached," said Abelo, who as usual, wore a tuxedo for the finals. "I love this kid so much. I'm going to hate seeing him graduate."

FROM 0-5 TO PLAYOFFS

Playoffs?

A month ago, Belen coach Rich Stuart might have answered the question with the same sarcasm former Indianapolis Colts coach Jim Mora displayed in an infamous postgame rant.

Belen was once 0-5 this season, struggling after losing 18 starters to graduation from last year's 10-2 playoff team.

But four straight wins have Stuart and the Wolverines (4-5) in the playoffs.

■ Bryan Sharkey (2nd) and Eddie Arguello (4th), who had dueled all year, both came up just short in their bids to win state.

BY MANNY NAVARRO
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Record day at Youth Fair

■ Belen and Gulliver swimmers break four meet records and capture the team titles at Youth Fair Invitational.

BY ANDRE C. FERNANDEZ



THREE AS NICE: Belen Jesuit's Jeffrey Vivo won the 50- and 100-yard freestyle Friday at Tamiami Pool, and he was part of a four-team group that set a meet record in the 200 medley relay.

Vivo bounces back in 100

■ Jeffrey Vivo misses in his favored race — the 50 freestyle — but he claims the 100 freestyle at the state meet. Minus Christina Swindle, the Gulliver Prep girls finish second.

BY GEORGE RICHARDS
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SEBASTIAN — If he was upset at losing, Jeffrey Vivo didn't look it.

A senior from Belen Jesuit, Vivo was the top qualifier in the 50-yard freestyle at the Class 1A state meet but finished second to Hollywood



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working girls who didn't want to listen to what everyone said. People said we wouldn't be the same without Christina Swindle, but we may just have changed some people's minds. We don't have the guns to challenge Bolles right now, but maybe we will someday.

"We have a great young exciting team. I'm so excited, if I wasn't standing here talking, I would be in that pool right now."

SMIDDY SUCCESS

The Smiddy clan of Gulliver had an successful day with

ock also won gold in the 100 breaststroke by edging out Pine Crest's Stefan Mianowski. Bullock's twin brother Carroll also was a finalist. Herald writer Frank B. DeMarzo contributed to this report.

• Girls' Team Scores: 1. Jacksonville Bible, 541.5; 2. Gulliver Prep, 375; 3. Pine Crest, 188; 4. Lake Highland Prep, 178; 5. Coral Branch, 140; 6. Taylor Prep, 130; 7. Holy Names, 120; 8. Pope John Paul II, 90; 9. Adrenal Prep, 60; 10. St. Thomas Aquinas, 54; 11. St. Francis, 45; 12. Westwood Academy, 30; 13. North Broward, 15; 14. University, 10; 15. Cardinal Gibbons, 24; 16. Palm Charter, 10; 17. American Heritage, 10; 18. Chamblee, 10; 19. Coral Springs Charter, 10.

• Girls' Individual winners and Dade and Broward leaders • 200 medley relay: 1. Belen (Carron, McGee, Hanson, Sosa) 2:45.16; 2. Pine Crest (Sosa, J. Gulliver Prep) 3:14.70; 200 freestyle: 1. St. Thomas Aquinas 1:58.10; 2. Gulliver Prep 2:00.10; 100 freestyle: 1. St. Thomas Aquinas 1:28.10; 2. Gulliver Prep 1:30.10; 50 freestyle: 1. St. Thomas Aquinas 1:08.10; 2. Gulliver Prep 1:10.10; 200 medley relay: 1. Belen (Carron, McGee, Hanson, Sosa) 2:45.16; 2. Pine Crest (Sosa, J. Gulliver Prep) 3:14.70; 200 freestyle: 1. St. Thomas Aquinas 1:58.10; 2. Gulliver Prep 2:00.10; 100 freestyle: 1. St. Thomas Aquinas 1:28.10; 2. Gulliver Prep 1:30.10; 50 freestyle: 1. St. Thomas Aquinas 1:08.10; 2. Gulliver Prep 1:10.10.

CLASS 2A STATE TRACK AND FIELD

Garcia-Tunon wins 2 golds

■ Belen's Javier Garcia-Tunon wins the 110- and 300-meter hurdles and Gulliver earns gold in 4x800 boys' relay to highlight Dade's day.

WEEK'S BEST

• Team of the Week: Alex Telleria had 15 of his 23 points in the fourth quarter as Belen's boys' basketball team beat Columbus 55-54, earning the school its first win against their rival. Columbus' win streak over Belen had reached 25 games.

Belen settled for third place in the team standings, one spot ahead of Gulliver. Tampa Jesuit took second. As expected, Jacksonville Bishop Kenny's took home its sixth team title rather easily.

on his Mighty Mouse T-shirt. "So I decided since I have big ears and big teeth, I might as well wear the shirt of the superhero I really look like."

Garcia-Tunon also had an interesting way of preparing

• Belen wins: After a long night of winning, Belen's swim team rubbed its eyes and went to school Thursday as District 10-1A champions. The Wolverines won nine of the 11 events at Wednesday's meet in Founder's Park Pool in Islamorada.

Jeffrey Vivo, a state champion in the 50 free a year ago, swept the 50 and 100 free and

wound up as Belen's only double individual winner. The Wolverines swept all three relays and cruised to the team title with 573 points. Ransom was second. Gulliver, which won the girls' title, finished third.

Check for the Miami Herald's All-County teams in the Athletics page of www.belenjesuit.org





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Varsity Football Seasons 2000-2003
Congratulations to our son Alex and
the Class of 2004*



Alex

Throughout the years, we have seen you grow and mature into the loving, good and honest man we dreamed you would become. Your determination in accomplishing your goals makes us all very proud of you.

You are to be commended for your leadership, courage and sportsmanship.

Reach high! The sky is the limit.

May the Lord continue to guide you and bless you in all your future endeavors.

God Bless You!

We love you,

Mami, Papi, Tito and Abuelita



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Jeffrey Vivo

2002 - 50 Free

2003 - 100 Free

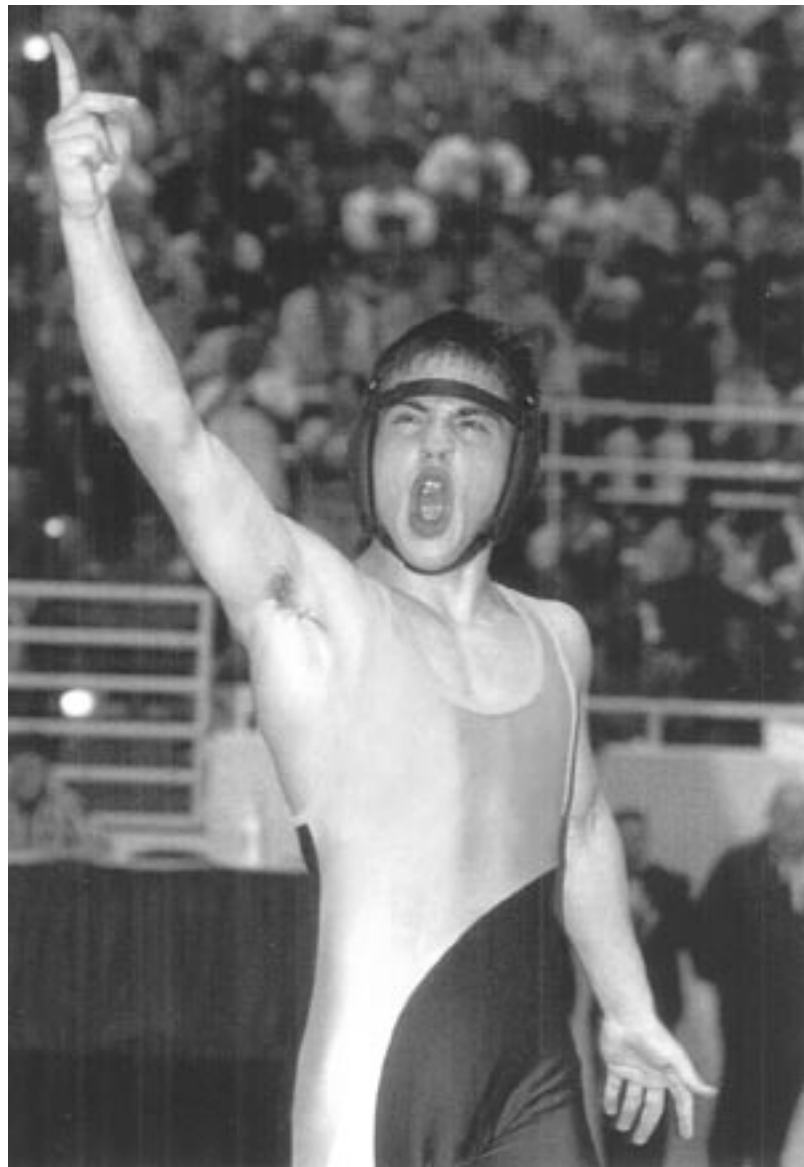
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Love,

Mom, Dad, Kristin and Kacie

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State Champion
2002, 2003 and 2004

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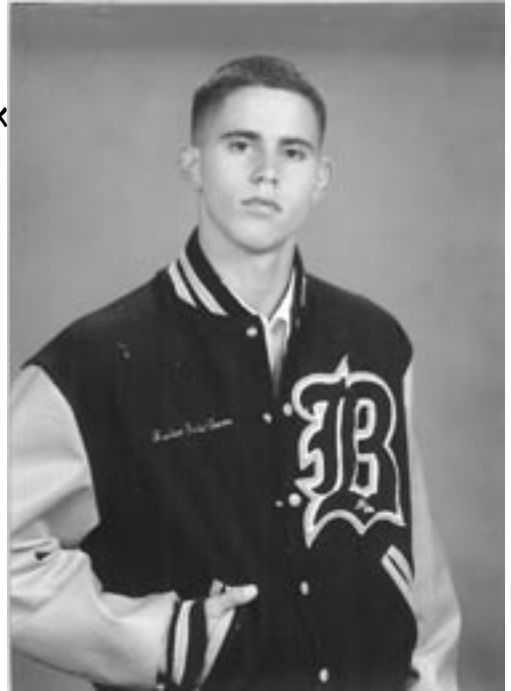
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Javi,
God has blessed you with many gifts. Through your hard work and dedication, you have excelled in the classroom as well as on the track, but what has made you special in his eyes and ours is not only your accomplishments, but also the man you have become. You're loving and caring for the needs of others, funny and "outlandish", definitely "unique", and most important of all, you realize where your strength comes from: **"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me"**.
Philippians 4:13.

We are so proud of you!

We Love you,
Pap, Mami and Jose



Javi, as you give all that you have, in all that you do...

We are very proud of you, as you inspire us all!!

"I firmly believe that any man's finest hour, his greatest fulfillment to all he holds dear, is that moment when he has worked his heart out in a good cause and lies exhausted on the field of battle - victorious!"

Wishing you the Best that Life has to offer,
Love, Louis, Joel, Anna, Diana, Illa, Tio, Tia Ogui and Tia Lily.





Congratulations Javo!!!
We are proud of you.

We wish you success in this new phase of your life. Remember, the only limitations we have are those posed by ourselves. Set goals and pursuit them with tenacity and determination. Be a leader in what you do, never compromise your principles even when it seems harmless. Always keep your strong family ties. And when you come to the crossroads, when you have to make a decision, trust your common sense and the principles that have formed you. The choice will always be correct even when the result is not the most popular it is the choice in your heart.

We love you,

Mami & Papi

Belen Jesuit Wolverines Varsity Baseball Seniors Class of 2004



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#17

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#18

Joey Cunetta
#23

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#7

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#15

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#44

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Varsity Football Season
2000-2003*



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Pepe, Tia Lala & Alejandro

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If
If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you;
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting too;
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or being hated, don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise:

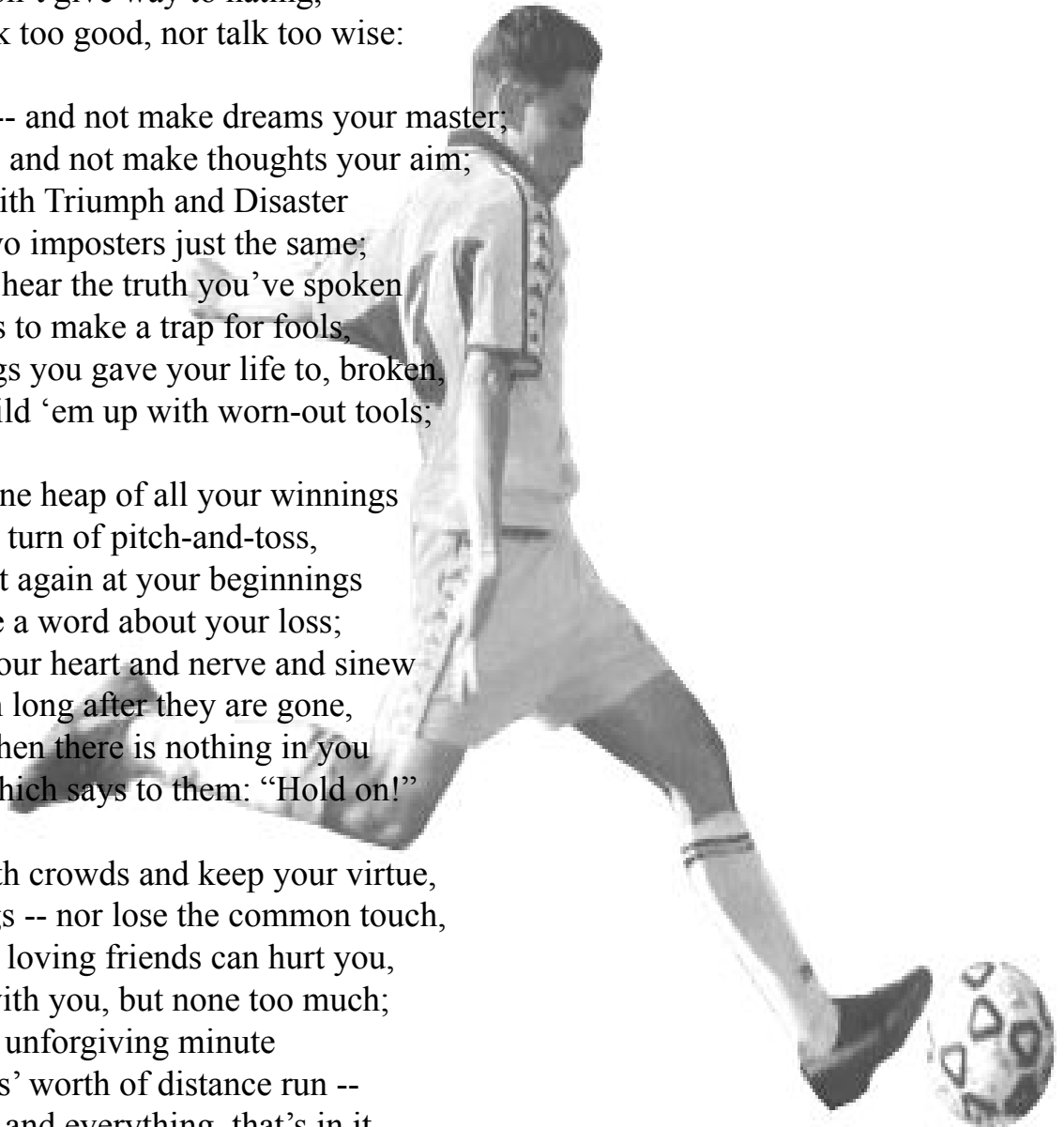
If you can dream -- and not make dreams your master;
If you can think -- and not make thoughts your aim;
If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster
And treat those two imposters just the same;
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,
And stoop and build 'em up with worn-out tools;

If you can make one heap of all your winnings
And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
And lose, and start again at your beginnings
And never breathe a word about your loss;
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
To serve your turn long after they are gone,
And so hold on when there is nothing in you
Except the Will which says to them: "Hold on!"

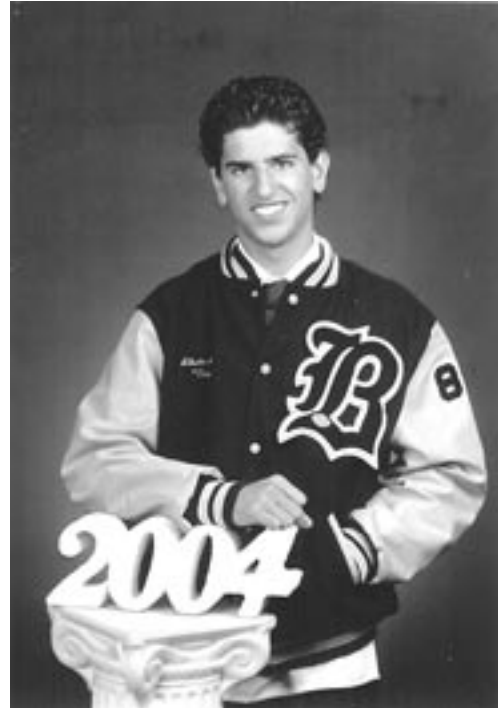
If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with kings -- nor lose the common touch,
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,
If all men count with you, but none too much;
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run --
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
And -- which is more -- you'll be a Man, my son!

Alimer, que el Señor te siga guiando en todos tus sueños y que cada día que pase sigas logrando todo lo que te propones.
Eres y seras siempre un orgullo para toda tu familia.

Papi, Mami, Marco Alejandro y Desaly Daniella



Tico! How time flies!!!



*Son, we are so proud of you and your accomplishments.
God truly answered our prayer:*

*O Lord...build me a son whose heart will be clear, whose
goal will be high, a son who will master himself before he
seeks to master other men; one who will reach into the future,
yet never forget the past.*

*We love you!
Mom, Dad, and Alexis*

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 Great parents
 Great fans
 Great season!*

*Robert,
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 God always bless you and guide
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and Track,
Love,
Your parents*



*Gabriel R. Suarez
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*Gaby: We all love you and we are so proud of you.
Best wishes. God bless you. Love from you family!*





**Congratulations!
Brian**

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Your hard work, persistence and dedication in both football and baseball have made us all very proud of you.

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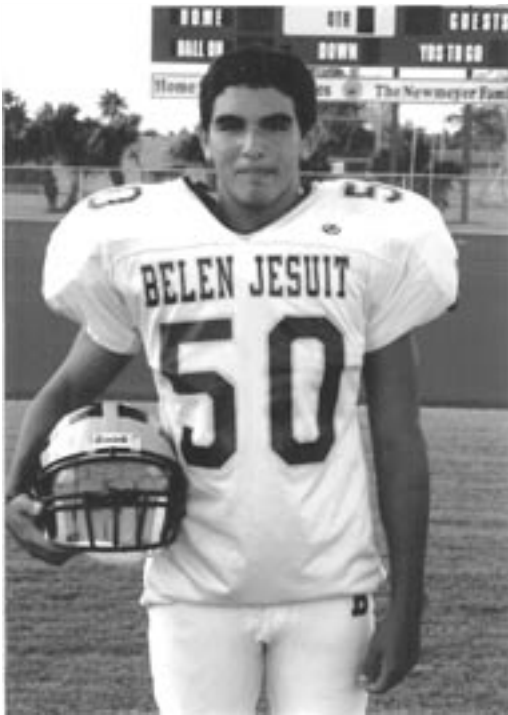
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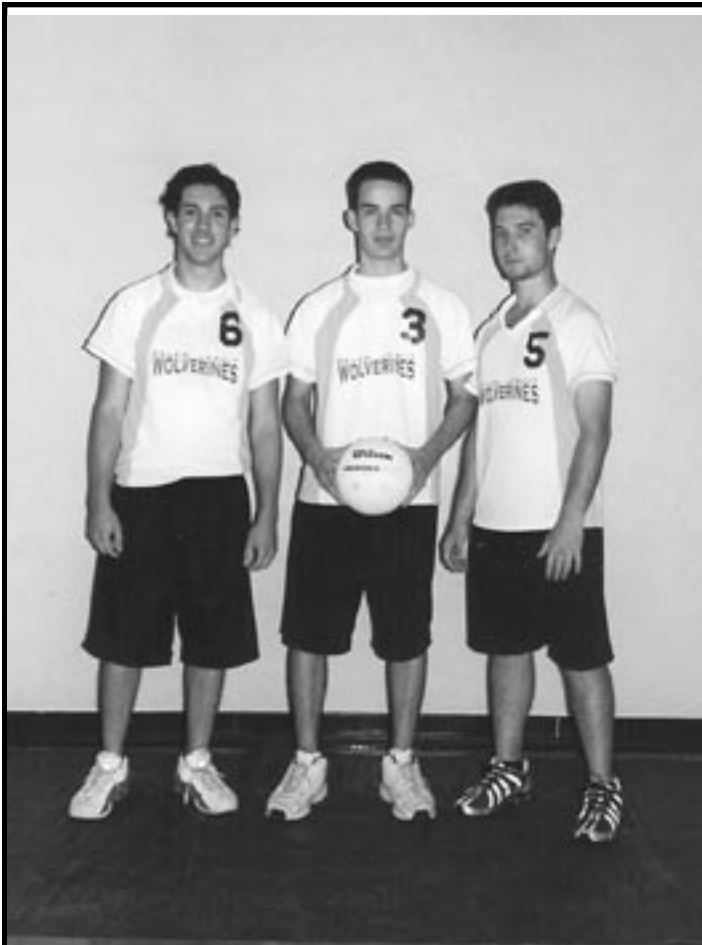
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to
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all the blessings you
have given us!

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Patrick, on all your
achievements as a
"DOUBLE GOALIE"
in
Varsity Soccer
and
Varsity Water Polo
Love,
Mom and Dad



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Joey Cunetta
Varsity Baseball # 23

Joey,

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With love,

Dad, Mom, Mike, Grandma, Auntie, Tati, Kareena & Alyah



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The Tennis Team thanks coach Patrick Collins for his dedication, guidance and support throughout the years. May God bless him always.

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Agustin J. De Goytisolo, Daniel E. Gonzalez-Mora, Felipe Jaramillo, Mario L. Fernandez,
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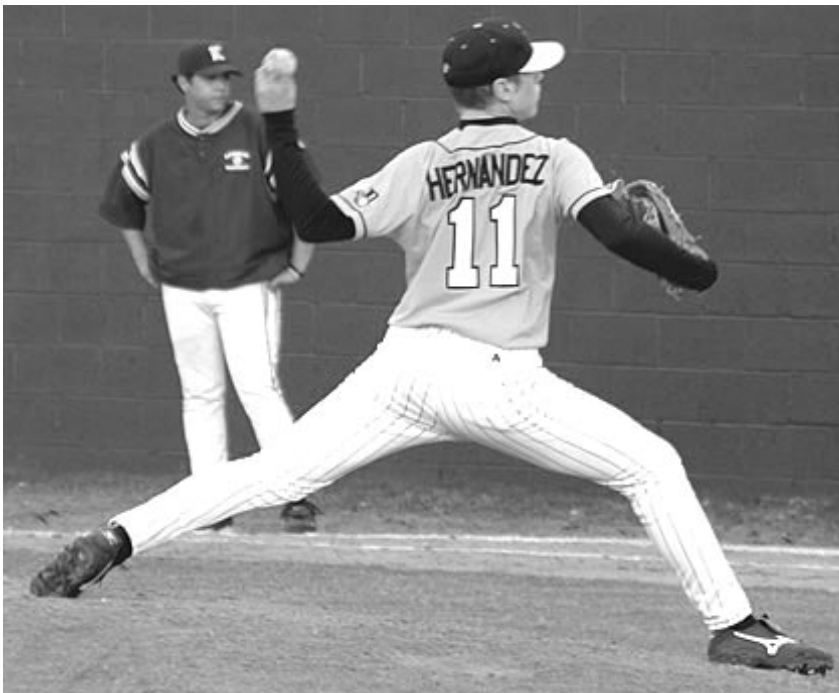
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Your great efforts, hard work and dedication to your team and school make us very proud!

Love,
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