

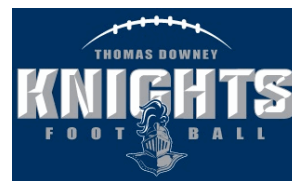
## Pride Points & Off-Season Ideas

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### Pride Points ([www.tdfootball.com/Pride\\_Points.html](http://www.tdfootball.com/Pride_Points.html))

- A way to measure the amount of sacrifice in the Off-Season.
- Awarded for: Playing other sports, workouts, camps, good grades, community service, etc.
- Updated and adjusted every year to meet the needs for next year's team.
- Two goals: Reward those that deserve it AND deter kids that aren't committed.

### Rewards

- Rank kids by Pride Points before you pass out equipment, jersey numbers, and team duties.
- Give kids with the most points first pick of everything. These are all a BIG deal.
  - First pick of helmet, shoulder pads, and all other gear.
    - Make it widely known what is NEW this year.
  - First pick to jersey numbers.
  - (post numbers by size somewhere that kids can see it)
  - First pick of Team Duties (big deal).

### Consequences

- Kids that don't meet a minimum requirement are cut from the team.
  - We will cut Varsity kids if we have to, but most will cut themselves.
  - We will threaten to cut JV kids if they don't meet a certain number; have yet to cut one.
  - We never cut incoming Frosh, but we do keep track to ensure they are rewarded for their commitment.

### Tracking

- Use Google Docs to keep a spreadsheet current for the entire team to see.
- Update the sheet daily, weekly, or whenever needed; and from wherever you need to do it.
- Put a link to your spreadsheet somewhere that kids can access it (we use our website).

### Off-Season Ideas (January to May)

- Website: Create or update
- Hudl: Create video playlists for drills and scheme-install.
- Team Senate: Pick kids and develop their leadership.
- In-School Recruiting: Use Team Senate to help, use photo magnets like colleges do with recruiting
- Helmet Award Decals: Select decal types and update protocol for earning.
- PIE Wheel: Create or update for use at Spring/Summer practice.
- Frosh Info Brochures: Create and distribute
- Root Beer Social: Host a kickoff-type of event in May.
- Combine: Host one in May and again in July to compare scores. (use improvements to add to pride points)
- Plan for the following Fall events:
  - Team Knight
  - Senior Poster
  - Character Themes of the Week