

ACADEMIC SUPPORT



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The Kilgore College Football Department is committed to helping its students-athletes make the adjustment to their responsibilities as student-athletes. To help facilitate this



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process the coaches and the academic support staff teach the student-athletes the skills they need to successfully complete their college courses. Due to the student-athletes demanding schedule, utilization of time management and study skills are critical to their success. This support continues throughout the student-athlete's collegiate career, until the day he receives a degree and/or transfers

Thomas Herrion TRIO Lab

The Thomas Herrion Trio Lab was dedicated on February 19, 2006 in memory of the former Ranger football player

who passed away on August 20, 2005 while playing a preseason football game in Denver as a member of the San Francisco 49ers. Thomas was the first student-athlete to enroll into the Trio program in the fall of 2000. He graduated from Kilgore and was a member of the 2001 NJCAA National Runner-up team. Thomas



then transferred to the University of Utah and concluded his college career on Coach Urban Meyers undefeated team in 2003. He then signed a free agent contract with the Dallas Cowboys and also played in NFL Europe before getting traded to the 49ers. Thomas was a great football player and an even better person and will be greatly missed.



Mandatory Study Hall

Student-athletes are required to attend three to five one-hour study hall sessions per week. The importance of time management and being able to stay on task is vitally important to the success of the student athlete.

Tutoring

Tutors are provided to promote academic success among Ranger student-athletes. Tutors are available throughout the day. In addition, there are a variety of tutors available by appointment. Tutoring services are free to all student-athletes.

SmartThinking

SmartThinking is a 24 hours a day online tutoring program that allows student-athletes to get on the internet and connect with an e-structor and interact with a live tutor. All dorms have internet access and this allows the student-athletes to receive help any time of the day.

Bi-Weekly Grade Checks

Academic performance is monitored both formally and informally by the academic support staff and the football coaches. Progress reports are sent out to instructors of each student-athlete. Instructors return the reports with information on attendance, class participation, grades, and general comments.

