



# NEVER GIVE UP!

## Aim For the Top

A large percentage of the student body took part in extra curricular activities and sports such as basketball, baseball and football. To be a player on the team, one had to show determination and dedication. These two important qualities were shown by attending practices when they were held and by giving their best in a game. Another important quality was the players' attitudes. They had to strive to be the best and out to do the rest.

The fans played a big role in school sports. The cheers and roars of the crowd kept the players' spirits high and mighty. When the team's fans turned out to show their support for the team and for the school, it meant a lot to the players. They had someone to cheer them on. It put the will to win in them. They played harder and stronger when they heard their names being yelled from the stands. They kicked it up into high gear and took off!

In the eyes and hearts of the spectators, their team would always be number one no matter how often or by how much they were defeated.

Many players in the sports program suffered injuries. Sinclair Brown, a veteran tailback on the varsity football team, suffered from neck injuries and a slight concussion. Detric Stokes, also a member of the varsity team, obtained a knee injury on the field. This resulted in him having an operation and going through physical therapy. Nichole Proveaux, a first-year starter on the volleyball team, sprained her ankle in the last game of the season. She was on crutches for a week.

All of the injuries sustained had a tremendous effect on each player's school spirit and their will to win. They kept fighting and cheering and not letting it get them down. Even though our teams didn't have winning seasons, they did their best and led us to a few victories. As a wise man once said, "It's not whether you win or lose, it's how you play the game."

— Gerald Jenkins

