

## Ready For Some Football?

By Jennifer Wake

With temperatures reaching triple digits, it's hard to believe it's nearly football season. The football squads from the three Lamorinda high schools put on their gear last week, preparing for the upcoming season, with cheering crowds and hard-hitting action just around the corner.

Miramonte comes into the season after a third-place finish in the DFAL last year with a 6-3 record, Campolindo was fourth with a record 5-4, and Acalanes was sixth at 3-6 – good enough to qualify them for the North Coast Section (NCS) playoffs. The Matadors lost the section title game to Novato after winning the NCS 2A East Bay playoffs.

While losing many top players to graduation, the Mats held on to quarterback Trevor Boswell, who proved himself a strong asset. Miramonte also sees the return of middle linebacker Grant Hyger and offensive lineman Nolan Pfeffinger.

The Dons' All DFAL First Team junior wide receiver Brooks Baker, as well as offensive tackle Brian Garthwaite (who was also honored by the DFAL), return to the field, while the Cougars bring back quarterback Scott Scharff and linebacker Mike Greco.

You can catch pre-season games this week, with Campolindo taking on Piedmont at home and Acalanes at Livermore, 7 p.m. on Sept. 7, and the Mats at Capuchino-San Bruno at 1 p.m. on Sept. 8. (Regular season varsity games start at 7 p.m.; JV at 4:30 p.m. Fridays.)

Lamorinda face-offs include: Sept. 14 (Campolindo at Miramonte); Sept. 28 (Miramonte at Acalanes); and Oct. 12 (Acalanes at Campolindo).

### DFAL Football Schedule for Miramonte, Campolindo and Acalanes

**Game 1:**  
**Friday, Sept. 14**  
Campolindo at Miramonte  
Acalanes at Alhambra

**Game 2:**  
**Thursday, Sept. 20**  
Miramonte at Alhambra  
Northgate at Acalanes

**Game 3:**  
**Friday, Sept. 28**  
Miramonte at Acalanes  
Campolindo at College Park

**Game 4:**  
**Friday, Oct. 5**  
Miramonte at Northgate  
College Park at Acalanes

**Game 5:**  
**Friday, Oct. 12**  
Concord at Miramonte  
Acalanes at Campolindo

**Game 6:**  
**Friday, Oct. 19**  
Acalanes at Mt. Diablo  
Miramonte at Las Lomas  
Campolindo at Alhambra

**Game 7:**  
**Friday, Oct. 26**  
Campolindo at Northgate  
Miramonte at Dublin  
Acalanes at Concord

**Game 8:**  
**Friday, Nov. 2**  
Dublin at Acalanes  
Las Lomas at Campolindo  
College Park at Miramonte

**Game 9:**  
**Friday, Nov. 9**  
Mt. Diablo at Miramonte  
Campolindo at Concord  
Acalanes at Las Lomas



Miramonte Football Team at Practice

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