

SOCCER

"BOOYAH," the team cheer before the start of every game, continuing this traditional first-half ritual that countless varsity squads have followed.

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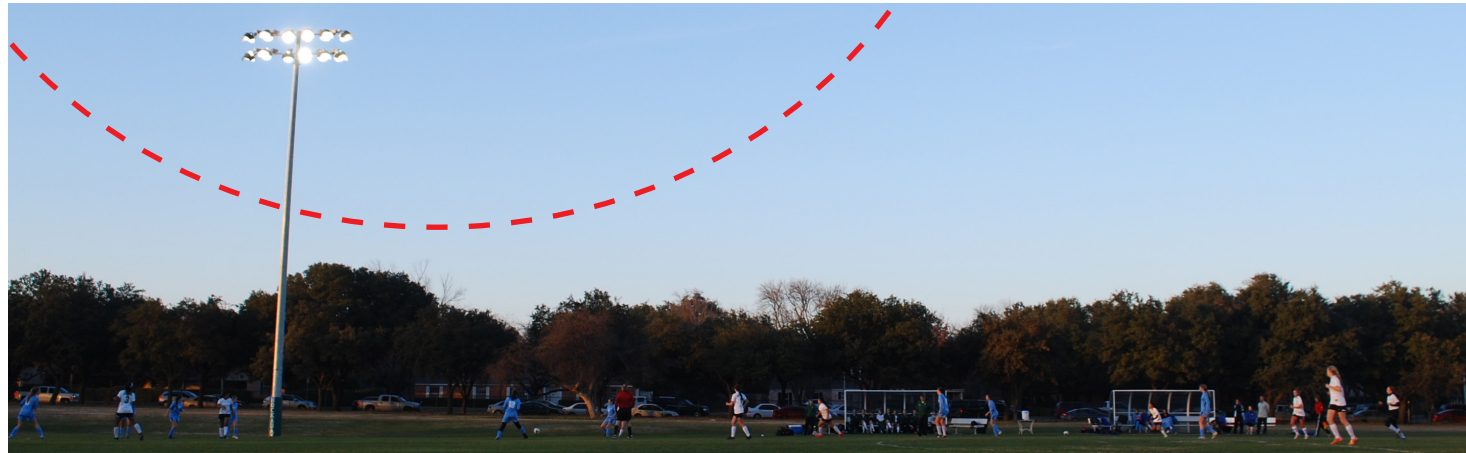
While the fall semester saw most of the senior class stressing over submitting applications, writing countless essays and anticipating college interviews, senior Mimi Asom approached the college process in another way: on the soccer field.

After committing to play soccer at Stanford University during her junior year, Asom only had to complete one application. "My process was quite simple compared

to a lot of my friends," Asom said. "I still had to complete an application, but just one instead of multiple."

However, this one application was not to Stanford, as expected. Announced during the varsity senior night on Jan. 23, Asom changed her course of action to instead play for Princeton University, where she could maintain a better balance between academics and athletics.

A star forward on the Hockaday varsity team, Asom also plays club soccer for Dallas Sting '97 in the Elite Clubs National League, the team from which college scouts recruited her. "I love soccer so I'm just looking forward to spending four more years playing," Asom said.



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CHECK IT OUT

Sophomore Shannon Anderson runs a play during a Jan. 13 home game. "This year's talent allows us to focus more on working teamwork," Anderson said.

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THURSDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

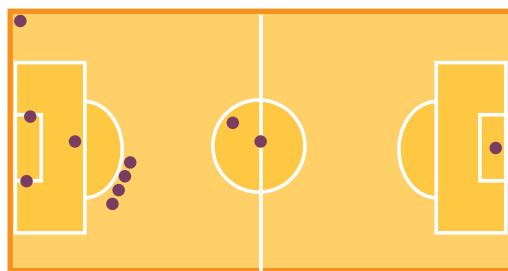
The team utilizes Hockaday's newly installed lights in their Thursday night victory against the Trinity Valley School on Jan. 15.

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GETTING IT UNDER CONTROL

Senior captain Claudia Hammond jumps to control a ball during Hockaday's home 3-0 victory on Jan. 13 over Fort Worth Country Day.

Number of club players on varsity



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OFFENSE GETTING IN THE ZONE

After the opposing team's defense kicks the ball out over their end line, the Hockaday offense is awarded a corner. The offensive players start in the above formation, then run in to the box to a designated zone to head or volley the ball in the goal.

Junior Ilana Perkins runs towards the ball to receive a pass from her teammate during Hockaday's home victory against Casady on Jan. 23. The team won 8-0, with Perkins scoring two goals. "This year, I think the team has a really strong, talented offense. We've been able to net a lot of beautiful goals, and as the season has gone on, the offense has become a cohesive unit," Perkins said.



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WITH DIFFERENT COMPETITION THAN MY

CLUB TEAM, WHICH ALLOWS ME TO FOCUS ON SPECIFIC

FACETS OF MY GAME."

- SENIOR

MIMI ASOM ON HOW HOCKADAY SOCCER HAS IMPACTED HER GAME

