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Medical professionals provide sports physicals

DALTON, Ga. (June 5, 2025) – Local health care professionals recently provided four days of free physicals to student athletes from 16 local schools. Hamilton Sports Medicine coordinated the annual event.

Volunteers included local orthopedic surgeons and cardiologists, Hamilton Physician Group physicians, Hamilton residents, and staff from Dalton State College.

Participating schools included Dalton State College, Christian Heritage School, Dalton High School, The Dalton Academy, Northwest Whitfield High School, Southeast Whitfield High School, North Murray High School, Murray County High School, Calhoun High School, New Hope Middle School, Westside Middle School, Hammond Creek Middle School, Valley Point Middle School, East Brook Middle School, Bagley Middle School and Gladden Middle School. In total, 733 students participated.

The physicals involved checks on vital signs, height, weight and vision, a review of athletes' comprehensive medical questionnaires, and a musculoskeletal functional movement screening. Local cardiologists provided cardiac clearance to athletes who needed it.

Hamilton Sports Medicine, a Hamilton Medical Center program, provides athletic trainers for outreach athletic assistance at Dalton State College and local high schools, including Christian Heritage, Dalton, Northwest Whitfield, Southeast Whitfield, Murray County, North Murray, Coahulla Creek and Calhoun. As part of the program, an athletic trainer is on-sight at the schools and at community sports events.

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Providers at recent Hamilton events providing sports physicals included:

Chelsea Forrester, DO

Nicole Hardeman, DO

Jonathan Thompson, MD

Bryan Cheever, MD

Daphne Norwood, MD

Thomas Flynn, MD

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