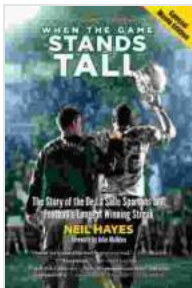


# The De La Salle Spartans: The Story of Football's Longest Winning Streak

In the annals of high school football, no team has ever come close to matching the dominance of the De La Salle Spartans. For 12 years, from 1992 to 2003, the Spartans were unstoppable, winning an astonishing 151 straight games. It is a record that still stands today, and it is unlikely to ever be broken.



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The Spartans' winning streak began on September 11, 1992, with a 21-14 victory over the Bishop O'Dowd Dragons. The Spartans would not lose again until September 26, 2003, when they were defeated by the St. Mary's Rams. In between, the Spartans won 12 consecutive CIF State Championships and seven national championships.

The Spartans' success was due to a number of factors, including their incredible coaching staff led by Bob Ladouceur, their talented players, and their unwavering commitment to excellence. Ladouceur was a master motivator and tactician, and he always got the most out of his players. The Spartans also had a number of outstanding players, including quarterback Matt Leinart, running back Maurice Jones-Drew, and wide receiver DeSean Jackson.

The Spartans' winning streak came to an end on September 26, 2003, when they were defeated by the St. Mary's Rams. The Rams scored a touchdown with just over a minute remaining in the game to win 21-18. The loss was a major disappointment for the Spartans, but it did not diminish their accomplishments.

The De La Salle Spartans' football team is one of the most successful teams in history. Their 151-game winning streak is a testament to their hard work, dedication, and talent. The Spartans have inspired countless other teams and athletes, and they will always be remembered as one of the greatest teams in sports history.

## **The Coaching Staff**

The De La Salle Spartans' success was due in large part to their exceptional coaching staff. Led by head coach Bob Ladouceur, the Spartans' coaches were experts at motivating and developing their players.

Ladouceur was a master tactician, and he always had his team prepared for their opponents. He was also a great motivator, and he always got the most out of his players. Ladouceur retired from coaching in 2013, but he remains an influential figure in the world of high school football.

In addition to Ladouceur, the Spartans' coaching staff included a number of other talented coaches, including assistant head coach Terry Eidson and defensive coordinator Kevin Macy. Eidson was a former player for the Spartans, and he was known for his tough-nosed approach. Macy was a former NFL player, and he brought a wealth of experience to the Spartans' defense.

## **The Players**

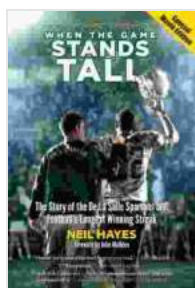
The De La Salle Spartans were fortunate to have a number of talented players during their winning streak. Some of the most notable players included:

- **Matt Leinart:** Leinart was the quarterback of the Spartans from 2001 to 2003. He was a two-time Heisman Trophy finalist, and he led the Spartans to two national championships. Leinart went on to play in the NFL for the Arizona Cardinals and the Buffalo Bills.
- **Maurice Jones-Drew:** Jones-Drew was the running back for the Spartans from 2001 to 2003. He was a two-time All-American, and he led the Spartans to two national championships. Jones-Drew went on to play in the NFL for the Jacksonville Jaguars and the Oakland Raiders.
- **DeSean Jackson:** Jackson was a wide receiver for the Spartans from 2002 to 2004. He was a two-time All-American, and he led the Spartans to two national championships. Jackson went on to play in the NFL for the Philadelphia Eagles, the Washington Redskins, and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

## **The Legacy**

The De La Salle Spartans' 151-game winning streak is one of the most impressive feats in sports history. The Spartans inspired countless other teams and athletes, and they will always be remembered as one of the greatest teams in sports history.

The Spartans' legacy is not just about their winning streak. It is also about the values that they represented, such as hard work, dedication, and teamwork. The Spartans showed that anything is possible if you are willing to put in the hard work and never give up on your dreams.

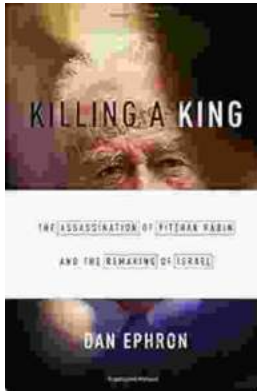


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