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The BLUE NATION got a rousing kickoff to their football season last night, with the unveiling of their new slogan for the 2016 campaign: “**1 Step; 1 Play; 1 Game; 1 Team; WOLFPACK!**” Head Coach & Athletic Director Scott Smith addressed over 150 players, parents, and supporters at a Plano West Football & Quarterback Club kickoff meeting held at the



Plano West. He stressed the importance of parents, fans, and the Booster Club being involved in the program, and urged all present to join the Plano West Quarterback Club as soon as possible.

He introduced all of the assistant coaches, and talked about his vision for the Plano West program for 2016. Coach Smith stressed that ALL players will be expected to adhere to four key attributes: “Pride; Poise; Class; and Discipline.” In addition, he outlined the weekly study halls and mentoring groups that were added to the PW program. He said “The first duty of these young men is to be students and to walk the graduation stage and then be athletes, and we will do all we can to accomplish this.”

Coach Smith also expects ALL Plano West fans at the elementary school, middle school, and high school levels to be sure and wear their Royal and Black, and come out every week to support the team and program. “**COME EARLY; BE LOUD; STAY LATE!**” is the mantra for the team. The team will also be wearing a #4 sticker on their helmets to celebrate the life of teammate Josiah Utu whose life was tragically cut short earlier this year.

The Wolves will have both JV and Varsity scrimmages with the Coppell Cowboys at the Coppell HS field on August 19<sup>th</sup> starting at 5:15 PM after they complete their fall camp. They kick off their season on August 27<sup>th</sup> against John Tyler at Rose Stadium in Tyler at 12:00 PM (noon). Go **WOLFPACK!**