"The Year of Firsts" is how many would define the 2011-2012 school year. This marked the first time in 15 years that The Rock played an Independent athletic schedule, giving it the opportunity to play opponents from around the state of Florida and the Southeast United States.

It also marked the first year in which 6 players from one team received scholarships to play in college. Viktorija Dimaite (Florida), Paulina Zaveckaite (USC-Upstate), Jovana Mandic (UNC-Wilmington), Nina Krstic (Tampa), and Anne Pedersen (LSU) of the girls basketball team signed national letters of intent in the fall, and Kornelija Valiuskyte (Rider) signed in the spring. The total number of college players from The Rock girls basketball program is now 11 in the past 4 years.

The soccer team named Luke Brantley as its head coach making him the first alumni to coach at The Rock in any sport. Brantley was a star on the varsity level as a junior and senior in the 2002 & 2003 seasons. He came back to take the program to the next level, helping the Lions win 65% of their games in his first season.

The volleyball team won its first game in 2 seasons after going winless in 2009. Not only did the Lady Lions win, but they started a streak in which they went above .500 in the season for the first time in the program's history.

The boys basketball team began the season with no returning seniors for the first time in the program's history. Instead, they had several talented, young players who had to grow up and came within a game of winning the NACA National Championship. Next season, the Lions will return 7 of its top 8 players for the first time in school history and should be in a position to compete for another national championship.

There are many new things on the horizons for The Rock Athletic Department. If last season was "The Year of Firsts," this upcoming school year will be "The Year of Growth" as all of our programs are in the midst of growth spurts into more mature and greater teams.

We invite you to be a part of our growth spurt and be a part of *a winning tradition* at The Rock School

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