

Sports

Morton heads to CSN

Two-sport Eagles' star graduates early to play basketball

By Robert Vendettoli
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Matt Morton, a recent graduate of Boulder City High School, signed his national letter of intent to play basketball at the College of Southern Nevada on Feb. 5.

Graduating from high school a semester early, Morton said he is excited about his future journey with the Coyotes, hoping to make an immediate impact.

“Being able to call myself a college athlete is something I have been working for my whole life and it feels very accomplishing being able to attach that to my name,” Morton said. “I feel like I can make an impact at CSN by improving my skills every day while contributing to our success and growth as a team.”

A two-sport star for the Eagles in basketball and football during his tenure at the school, Morton had several options in both sports before deciding to stick with basketball locally at the budding junior college program that’s playing its first season since 2003.

“I chose CSN because they have a really amazing situation going on with a very supportive and successful coaching staff,” Morton said. “Our roster is 100 percent (Las) Vegas kids and we are looking to prove a lot of people wrong and shine a light on Nevada.”

Skipping the final semester of his senior year academically after the COVID-19 pandemic closed the door on competing for a state championship with the Eagles, Morton said he is looking to transition



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quickly into college life and carve a role out with the Coyotes.

Affected by the pandemic as well, the Coyotes’ season was pushed back to Feb. 9, giving Morton the opportunity to transition from senior student to freshman athlete overnight. Having seen Morton firsthand for three seasons with the variety program, Eagles head coach John Balistere said he sees Morton being an asset for the program.

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INTENT TO PLAY

Davis to fine tune skills at Hancock

BCHS senior was key in Eagles’ offense, doubled as linebacker

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Boulder City High School senior football star Trey Davis signed his national letter of intent with Allan Hancock College on Feb. 5.

A successful junior college program in Santa Maria, California, Davis joins an impressive Bulldogs team that finished with a 9-2 record in 2019.

“I chose Allan Hancock College because I wanted to stay somewhat close to home and they are giving me a great opportunity to continue to play football and work my way up to Division I level,” Davis said.

“It is a huge blessing being able to say that I am now a college athlete,” Davis said. “It has been my dream to grow up and play football at the next level and hopefully someday make it to the league. It is still going to require a lot of hard work and dedication, but I feel that going to this school will improve my chances at becoming great. I want to be one of the great kids to come out of BCHS doing something that they love.”

A rising senior before the COVID-19 pandemic put an end to his prep career, the commitment will give Davis the chance to attract Division I recruiters during the next two seasons, after also considering Division II program University of Mary in Bismarck, North Dakota.

“I think that missing out on my senior season had a major impact on the recruiting process, not only for me but for every other student athlete,” Davis said. “For me personally, it made it difficult to have enough good film to show all of these different schools so that they could see my talent. We were bound to have an amazing season this year with all of our weapons on both sides of the ball.”

Coming into his own as a



Davis family
Trey Davis, a senior at Boulder City High School, signs his letter of intent to play football at Allan Hancock College, a community college in Santa Maria, California, during an event at Boulder Creek Golf Club on Feb. 5.

junior for the Eagles, which finished with an 8-3 record and a playoff berth, Davis was a key catalyst on offense, using his 6-foot-1 frame to win many position battles.

The Eagles’ leading receiver as a junior, Davis caught 38 passes for 455 yards and two touchdowns.

An athletic two-way threat for the program, a testament to his high motor, Davis doubled as a linebacker, making 73 tackles with three sacks.

Head coach Chris Morelli said he thinks Allan Hancock College is getting a fine player with the signing since Davis was a highly productive player with the Eagles.

“We are really excited for Trey and know he will excel at the next level,” Morelli said. “He has all the tools to be an exceptional college athlete and we look forward to following him. He, along with this senior class, set a high standard for the next group. Allan Hancock College is getting a great young man.”

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65 and older and educators. They can be scheduled by calling 702-293-9256 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Testing is available at the Boulder City Fire Department, 1101 Elm St., from 8 a.m. to noon Mondays and Tuesdays for anyone and from 8 a.m. to noon Thursdays for those who live or work in town.

Meeting about leash laws set for March 1

The Boulder City Police Department and Animal Control have rescheduled a meeting to discuss possible changes to city code regarding animals running loose. The session, originally planned for November, will be held at 6 p.m. March 1.

The meeting will be held virtually. It will be live streamed at www.bcnv.org/streaming; Cox Cable subscribers can watch live on BCTV Channel 2.

Residents can participate and submit comments by calling 702-589-9629 during the public comment portion

of the meeting or sending questions/comments to animalcontrol@bcnv.org.

Library resumes limited in-person access

Boulder City Library, 701 Adams Blvd., will begin offering limited in-building services starting Tuesday. Services available include access to a computer for 30 minutes, printer and copier. Masks are required for in-building services.

Staff requests that patrons use curbside service to pick up items. Call 702-293-1281 to schedule an appointment.

Hours will be 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

Lane closures on dam bridge scheduled

The Nevada Department of Transportation will close lanes on north and southbound Interstate 11 over the Mike O’Callaghan-Pat Tillman Memorial Bridge as crews conduct inspections of the bridge.

Between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. today and Friday there will be intermittent outside lane closures on northbound I-11.

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them, and the map includes retaining and block walls to provide separation from the adjacent property owners.

“Are there any landscape requirements for the public areas?” asked Councilwoman Claudia Bridges.

Mays said the zoning does not require any minimum landscaping requirements, but staff could look at amendments to allow for it in future development and could bring them to council at a later time.

Mayor Kiernan McManus praised StoryBook for its work but said he had a long-standing concern about how the stormwater runoff of the new development had been handled.

“I think the city is at significant risk and apparently our hands are tied on this, but there are no provisions for stormwater runoff from this subdivision,” he said. “There is, I believe, one storm channel that’s about halfway up the eastern side of the development that collects from that upper half and simply puts the water out onto Bristlecone. With this ... there will now be a

Also at Tuesday’s meeting, council:

► Assigned a ground lease for airport hangar TW3-21 to In Motion Media Group from William E. Mossop and Viola M. Mossop Living Trust.

► Appointed Jacob Cote to the ballot question committee advocating approval of imposing a utility franchise fee, and Judy Dechaine to a committee opposing it.

street that I suspect will be a collector for stormwater that will also put water out onto Bristlecone.”

The tentative map that was approved for this development did not include any plans to address its water runoff and the effect on the surrounding areas.

“I appreciate what StoryBook has done with this development, but this is not the way we should be doing development in Boulder City where those types of things are not looked to to understand the impacts they’re going to have on the community because eventually somebody’s going to have to take care of that water,” said McManus. “The way this was designed, it’s not going to be the people doing the development. ... Again these agreements were signed some time ago and nothing

was put in there, so we are where we are today.”

Also at Tuesday’s meeting, council approved a resolution requiring the city to record audio and video of all public meetings in accordance with NRS 241.

Councilman James Howard Adams, who requested the item, said these services are currently being provided to the public by administrative actions.

“This resolution would not change or alter the current video services we are providing,” he said. “It wouldn’t add any additional burden to city staff or our finances, but what it does is make very clear ... by city policy that we are committed to providing video services for our public meetings, which also allows for the potential of closed captioning, which can be a great benefit for access to members of our community who may be deaf or hard of hearing.”

He also said if it is city policy, any future changes would come before council and the public could share their opinions on them.

Council approved the resolution 5-0.

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