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Former Lancaster High School Two-Sport Athlete Inducted into TCU Hall of Fame

Lancaster, TX/Lancaster ISD – As the 1992 Lancaster High School graduate and Texas Christian University (TCU) track alumni Brashant Carter stepped out of the tunnel at TCU's Amon G. Carter Stadium and joined a group of six athletes being inducted into the TCU Letterman's Hall of Fame, he began to reminisce on his journey from high school to college.

"I will never forget those coaches at Lancaster who made a difference in my life," Carter said. "If they would not have inspired me, I may not have been a part of any Hall of Fame."

Carter was a two-sport athlete at both Lancaster High School and TCU lettering in both track and football. He remembers clearly how his coaches Greg Williams (then, his football coach), David DeBorde (then, his track coach) and Coach Beverly D. Humphrey made a great impact on his life.

"There were times when I didn't have the money to make it to a meet," Carter said. "Those coaches would go out and raise money to help me so I could run and participate in events I would never have been able to attend because of my financial situation."

During his days at Lancaster as well as at TCU, those who worked with Carter say he was one of the hardest working athletes. They also gained respect for him on an individual basis.

"I saw him elevate his level as an athlete as he moved on to college," Williams said. "He is not only a great athlete, but he is a great person that I consider a true friend."

Coach Williams also said Carter was a hard worker and loved what he did as an athlete. This carried over to his performance.

"He was an extremely coachable athlete," Williams said. "He would practice hard and it showed in his game on Fridays when he took the field as both a defensive back and receiver."

As a two sport athlete in high school, Carter recalled the intense commitment that it required.



“Academics was a challenge for me because while most athletes finished football and dedicated themselves to the books, I had to go right out and begin running,” Carter said. “I had to dedicate myself to academics so I could be successful both in the classroom and on the track.”

For TCU, Carter was a six-time All-American in men’s track & field and back-to-back conference champion in the outdoor 200m in 1995 and 1996. He was also the 1996 conference indoor champion in the 200m. He was a part of the 1995 4x100m relay team that won the NCAA Outdoor National Championship. Carter was also a four-year football letter winner at TCU playing defensive back and wide receiver.



Carter said he remembers very well the day he received the call that he was being inducted into the Hall of Fame for TCU. He said this is something he will never forget.

“I never thought I would be inducted into the Hall of Fame,” Carter said. “There have been a lot of great athletes to come out of TCU and for me to be one of only 200 inducted into the Hall of Fame it was such an honor.”

During his days at TCU, Carter was also a two-sport athlete. He ran on the 4X100 relay team for track and played on the football team as well. He said he had to work closely with his football coach Pat Sullivan because he did not allow athletes to play football and participate in another sport as well.

“He wanted me to be completely devoted to football,” Carter said. “I told him I would give 100% to both if he would allow me to run track and we finally came to the understanding that I would do both sports.”

Carter said the toughest thing for him at TCU was not winning the 4X100 relay during his freshman and sophomore years. He said they had the lead both years and lost his freshman year in the anchor leg to LSU and dropped the stick his sophomore year.

“When we won the National Championship my junior year, it was very special,” Carter said. “Not only was it my coach Bubba Thornton’s last year at TCU before he moved to UT to coach, but we won that race from the toughest lane to run in and that was lane 8.”

Carter still calls Lancaster home and wants the best for every athlete coming out of Lancaster High School. He was quick to give some Hall of Fame advice to those who might want to follow in his footsteps.

“Make sure you listen to your coaches and take their advice,” Carter said. “They know how to prepare you for the next level. You never know when your time to shine will come and you need to be prepared for that time.”