

# RAVENS IN OUR COMMUNITY

## CONCUSSION PRESS CONFERENCE



Andrew Tucker, Bradley Chambers, Dick Cass and LB Jameel McClain

On Sept. 18, the Ravens announced a partnership with MedStar Sports Medicine to address the issue of concussions and how to prevent them in youth sports. Ravens President **Dick Cass**, team physician **Andrew Tucker, MD**, LB **Jameel McClain** and MedStar Union Memorial President Bradley Chambers all participated in a press conference to announce the agreement and the movement to support Maryland state legislation to protect student-athletes from the dangerous effects of concussions.

The joint partnership will give MedStar Sports Medicine a \$25,000 grant each year for five continuous years to support community outreach and baseline testing. The grants will subsidize the cost of administering such testing to student-athletes in the area.

Over 150 local high school athletic programs received concussion fact sheets and “clipboard” packets to distribute to their coaches, trainers and players. Also, a Public Service Announcement featuring Tucker and McClain has been created to focus on concussion awareness and prevention. Cass reiterated the importance of concussion education in the press conference stating “It is a big concern and that’s why I think we, the Ravens, and the NFL in it’s entirety is focused on this problem and trying to deal with it.”

## HISPANIC HERITAGE FOOTBALL CLINIC WRAP-UP

The Baltimore Ravens held their annual Hispanic Heritage Clinic on Sept. 18 at Du Burns Arena in Baltimore. Over 100 children from local Hispanic organizations attended the football clinic which promoted the NFL’s *Play 60* movement that encourages youth to be active for at least 60 minutes a day. The children were also joined by Ravens Mascot Poe, Ravens Cheerleaders, and players **RB Anthony Allen**, **LB Brendon Ayanbadejo**, **LB Josh Bynes**, **TE Ed Dickson**, **RB Bobby Rainey**, and **K Justin Tucker**.

The clinic consisted of football drills led by players and guest coaches, healthy goody bags, and a raffle in which the winning participant was invited to the Sept. 23 game against the New England Patriots.



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