

The Thompson Family — Darren, University of Kentucky (Student-Athlete)

Status: Current Sophomore, Athletic Scholarship



"Our son Darren is a gifted athlete, and earning an athletic scholarship to the University of Kentucky was a dream come true. But the transition to college life hit harder than we expected. Between practices, travel, and academic demands, he was overwhelmed. He started falling behind in his classes and struggled to keep up with assignments—something he'd never experienced before. By the end of his first year, we were dangerously

close to losing the scholarship he'd worked so hard for."

"That's when we found SmartTrack. Dr. Terrell stepped in and gave Darren the structure, accountability, and guidance that was missing. He didn't just remind Darren what to do—he taught him *how* to manage his time, break down assignments, and stay focused despite his demanding athletic schedule. He worked behind the scenes to communicate with Darren's academic support staff and helped build a weekly plan that kept him on track."

"More than that, Dr. Terrell helped Darren see himself as a student—not just an athlete. His grades improved, his confidence grew, and he's now in his sophomore year maintaining both his academic standing and his place on the team. SmartTrack was the difference between falling behind and moving forward."

— Anthony Thompson, Parent