



Raymond Deaton (Ray) is a dedicated youth advocate, student-athlete, and leader whose life centers on leadership, service, athletics, and youth advocacy. He is a proud member of the Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps.

- **Youth Advisory Board President:** Ray serves as President of the Montgomery County Youth Advisory Board, also known as the VISION Board (Voicing Independent Solutions in Our Neighborhoods). For over 20 years, the board has represented and advocated for youth in foster care; when a recent transition threatened its stability, Ray stepped up to ensure its ongoing existence.
- **JROTC Leadership:** Ray has helped lead Northmont JROTC to the state championship for two consecutive seasons and helped the NJROTC earn distinguished honors for three consecutive years. Through JROTC, Ray has completed approximately 600 hours of community service and completed in varsity drill events, including Armed Exhibition, Armed Regulation and Unarmed Regulation.
- **Athletics:** Competed in football for two years and currently plays lacrosse, reinforcing his commitment to dedication and teamwork as a student-athlete.