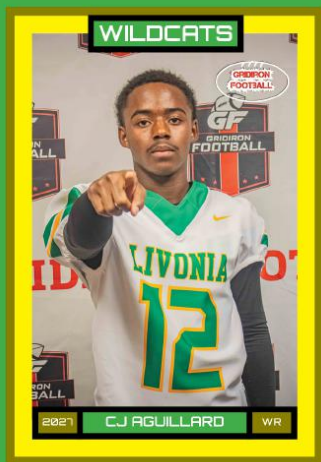
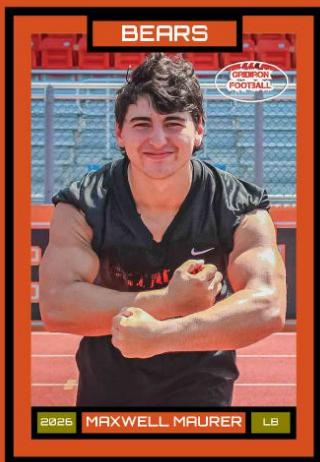
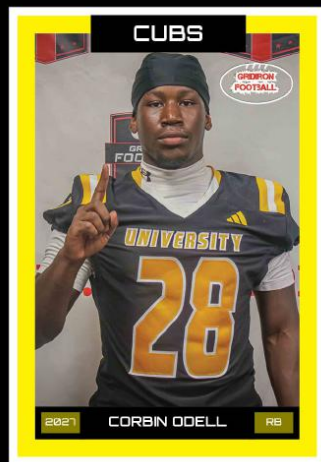
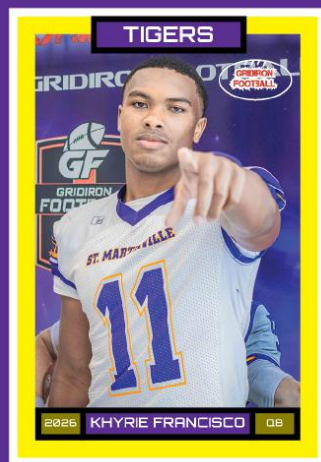
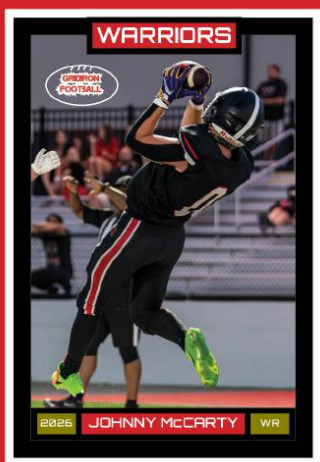
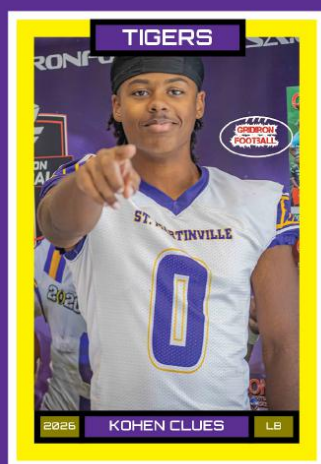


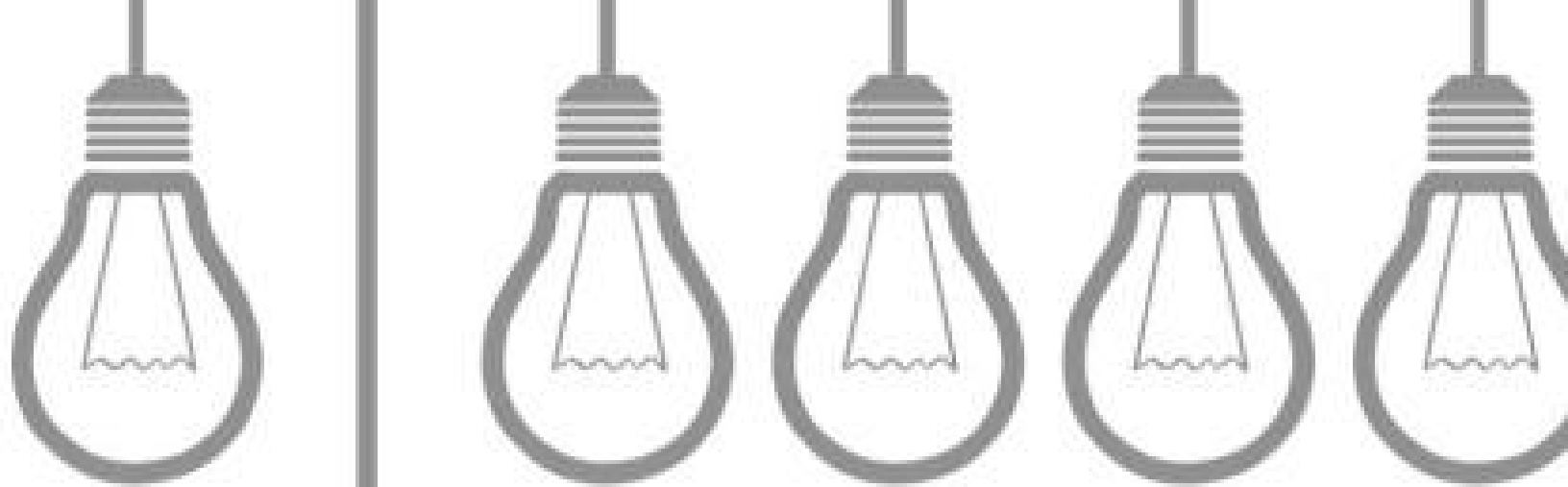
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Letter From Andy

Dear Friends, Supporters, and Members of the Gridiron Football Family,

As the founder and CEO of Gridiron Football, it brings me great pride and anticipation to share exciting news with you: the 2025 Gridiron Football All-American Bowl will be held in Pineville, Louisiana, from December 27th through December 30th. This will mark another historic chapter in our ongoing mission to empower student-athletes through opportunity, exposure, and mentorship. Each year, this event grows in impact — not just on the field, but far beyond it.

When I started Gridiron Football, it was never just about football. It was about changing lives through the game. As a disabled veteran injured in Afghanistan, I've learned firsthand what it means to fight through adversity. That same fight exists in many of the young men we serve — kids from underrepresented areas, small schools, or tough backgrounds who simply need a chance. The All-American Bowl gives them that chance.

Over the years, this game has transformed into more than just an all-star matchup — it's a nationally respected platform that has helped over 400 student-athletes receive college opportunities. Many of our past participants have gone on to play at NCAA Division I, II, III, NAIA, and JUCO levels.

This isn't just about football — it's about vision, belief, and access.

The Bigger Picture: Impact on Communities

While our mission begins with the kids, our impact reaches even further. The All-American Bowl has brought tangible economic benefits to every city that has hosted us — from filled hotels and busy local restaurants to increased media attention and tourism revenue. In 2023 and 2024, our events created an influx of families, fans, and scouts traveling in from all over the country, spending multiple days in these towns and boosting the local economy during what is usually a quiet holiday period.

Pineville, Louisiana will now serve as the backdrop for our 2025 game. It's a city rich in heart, history, and hospitality — and we couldn't be more excited to bring this nationally recognized event back to Central Louisiana. We believe the energy, investment, and excitement the All-American Bowl brings will create lasting economic and social impact for the Pineville community.

Why We Need Your Support

As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, Gridiron Football relies on the support of donors, sponsors, and community advocates to fund our operations and events. Hosting an event of this scale is no small task. From travel and lodging for over 200 athletes, to meals, uniforms, training equipment, facility rentals, and media production — the costs add up quickly.

That's where you come in

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- Build lifelong friendships and support systems
- Gain confidence and life skills that carry well beyond football

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That's not just a slogan — it's our purpose. If we can change the trajectory of one young man's life, we have the potential to change his entire family, his community, and generations to come. Football is the vehicle. Hope is the destination.

So as we look ahead to December 27th–30th, 2025 in Pineville, Louisiana, I ask you to join us. Donate if you can. Sponsor if you're able. Share our story with someone who needs to hear it. Be a part of something bigger than the game.

Thank you for believing in our mission and for helping us continue to make a difference — one kid, one play, one life at a time.

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Andy Bryson
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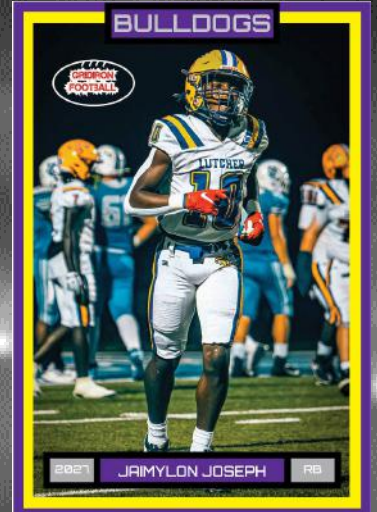
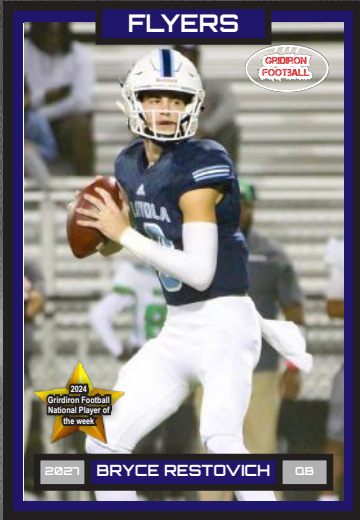
This powerful verse from Philippians is more than a motivational phrase — it’s a divine truth that reminds us where our true strength lies. In a world filled with uncertainty, setbacks, and challenges, it’s easy to feel overwhelmed. But Paul, writing from a prison cell, reminds us that our strength isn’t rooted in circumstances, resources, or even our own abilities. It comes from Christ.

When you feel like giving up — when the mountain is too steep or the path too dark — Philippians 4:13 reminds you that you are not alone. God’s power is made perfect in your weakness. Whether you’re facing a health battle, financial struggle, broken relationship, or spiritual doubt, this verse affirms that Christ will carry you through.

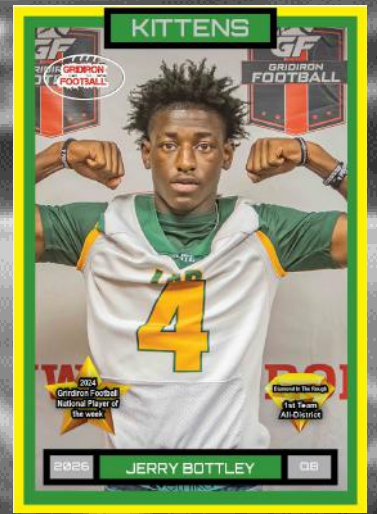
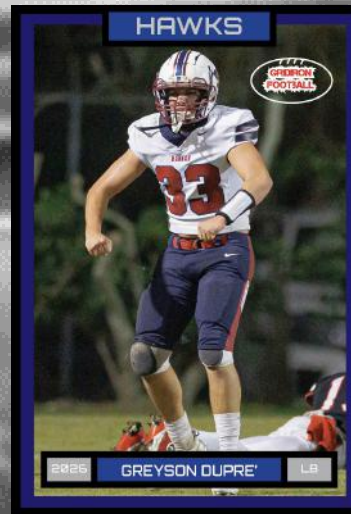
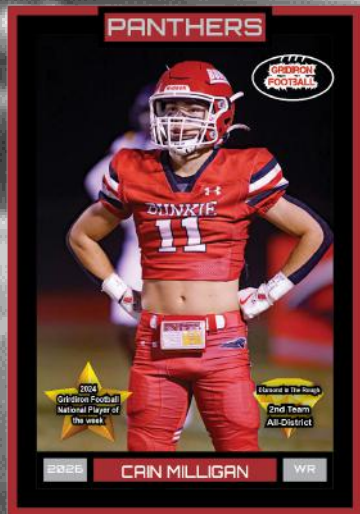
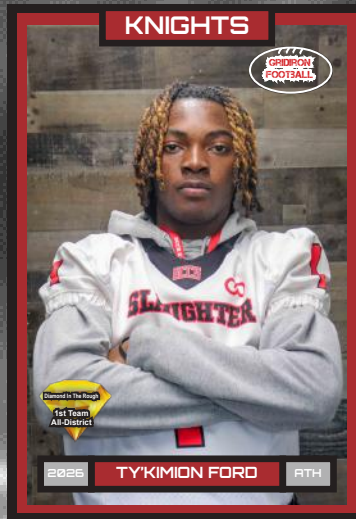
But it’s not just about surviving — it’s about thriving with purpose. Through Christ, you can forgive the unforgivable, love the unlovable, and endure the impossible. He equips you for every calling, every trial, and every dream He places in your heart.

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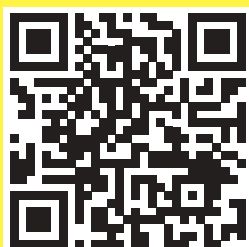
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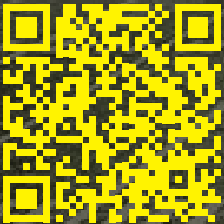


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Abramson Sci Academy New Head Coach Gilbert Chartian Has Superdome Vision For Commodores

As a longtime defensive coordinator most recently at Carver High School, Gilbert Chartian will get his opportunity to become a head coach at Abramson Sci Academy. Inheriting a team that went 1-9 last season, Coach Chartian is going to build the program from the ground up, but in the long run, he sees success in the future and perhaps even the Superdome.

"One thing I came in with a mentality of is a Superdome vision. I don't want to settle for just winning a few games here and there. The vision is to go far in district and in the playoffs. The school has embraced me with open arms as soon as I came in on day one. The kids have opened up to me. The staff has been tremendous. Everything you want in a first year head coach, the administration has provided that to me."

The Commodores will build around two way star Jaheim Butler. As a four year starter, Butler has been an All-District selection and has led the team in interceptions the past two seasons. With Butler's ability as a ball hawk, he will also get the opportunity to touch the ball on offense as a starting running back for the team. The Commodores' spread offense will try to incorporate a mix of the run and pass. QB Charles Henry is a young player heading into his sophomore season, but a talented player. Henry will try to do what the offense asks of him, which is to get the ball to some of their playmakers including three year starter WR Christopher Joseph, WR Jamari Corbitt, WR Thomas Poche, RB Jacobi Corbitt, and WR Terrill Johnson. The offensive line is



going to shoulder the load while Henry continues to develop. Jayden Clark, Trent Williams, and Eric Brock will anchor the offensive line along with new starters Ernest Perkins and Jordan Lucien.

Defensively, the Commodores will be aggressive. Coach Chartian said it best that they will be blitzing coming off the bus. The secondary should be the strength of this year's defense led by Butler and two talented freshmen cornerbacks in Mekhi Breaux and James Burris. Makhi Allen is another veteran that has been a starter for three years at outside linebacker. Allen and Butler have been the two most vocal leaders on the team with the two being the first to welcome Coach Chartian on campus. Along with some of the offensive line-

men Joshua Hayes and Darnell Norwood will command the defensive line. Wesley Norwood, Landon Russell, and Reginald Gordan will be new starters at linebacker.

The Abramson Sci Academy Commodores will take on Sarah T. Reed, Collegiate B.R., Varnado, Fisher, Crescent City, McDonogh 35, Carver, Frederick Douglass, Eleanor McMain, and The Willow School this season.

*Bowl Game Invites:
S Jaheim Butler,
OLB Makhi Allen*



Doug Dotson Is Chosen To Continue Championship Winning Tradition Started By His Father

Acadiana alum Doug Dotson has now been chosen to lead the Wreckin' Rams and continue their championship legacy that includes six titles. For Dotson, it is not only a special feeling to come back home to his alma mater and lead the program, but it is also even more special to do so at a stadium that has been named after his father Bill Dotson, who started the football program.

"It's been pretty surreal. I've been here the last three years, but it has been a smooth transition. To have a chance to carry on the tradition that my dad started alongside other guys like Willard Hanks, Ted Davidson, and Matt McCullough, they have all done a great job of pushing the ship forward. It is a proud moment for me and I am glad to be in this spot."

A new coach may be in place, but there is no doubt that the offense will remain the same as the program's identity has always been the split back veer. That physical style of play will continue within the program and will be led by a new quarterback under center in Ty Lamartina. Lamartina is committed to Northwestern State for baseball and is a good athlete that can not only throw, but run. Troy Kennerson and Dion Simon will lead the Wreckin' Ram backfield that has been traditionally productive over the years. Although the Wreckin' Rams will have to replace Russell Babineaux (UL), they also return another dynamic playmaker in All-District wide receiver Collin Dibetta, who finished last season with 25 grabs for 1,106 yards and 11 touchdowns. Gabriel Decuir, Travis Gallien, and Leelan Andrus will be playmakers as well. The offensive line will be rebuilding with five new starters up front.

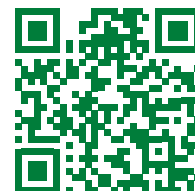


The defensive line is one of the best in the entire state led by LSU commit Darryus McKinley. The younger brother of current LSU defensive tackle Dominick McKinley is carving his own legacy after having 67 tackles, 18 TFLs, 8 sacks, and 11 QB hurries in 2024. Jackson Hilts will play alongside McKinley up front and is a versatile piece that can play inside or outside. Gavin Coleman returns after having an All-District season at linebacker. The secondary also has a chance to be good led by three year starter Keyon Ledet, JL Malbrew, and talented cornerback Taveian Landry, who has received offers from McNeese State, Lamar, Navy, and Northwestern State.

The Wreckin' Rams will know early what kind of team they will have as they will take on powerhouse programs like Ruston, Zachary, and St. Thomas More before going into district play. Despite having a new head coach and having graduated 21 seniors from last season, the expectations are the same as always at Acadiana.



Bowl Game Invites: DL Darryus McKinley, DL Jackson Hilts, RB Troy Kennerson, DB Keyon Ledet, DB Taveian Landry



8 Man Acadiana Christian Team Wants Respect To Be Earned After State Runner-Up Finish

A lot of people overlook 8-man football, but just like 11-man, it is still football at the end of the day and there are good teams out there. One of those teams is the Acadiana Christian Lions. Under Carroll Olivier, the Lions had a great season last year, winning eight games. The games they lost came against John Paul The Great Academy in Lafayette. The first loss was a lopsided one—62-14 in the regular season—but the Lions left it all out on the field in the Louisiana ACEL State Championship Game, coming up just short, 22-20.

Driven by heart, fueled by passion, the Lions are hungry for redemption and ready to prove themselves. This team exemplifies the spirit of perseverance, unity, and belief. They represent what it means to rise stronger after every fall and show the world what small-school football is truly capable of.

The Lions will have a new quarterback in the athletic Silas Johnson. After standing out as a defensive back his freshman year, Johnson has made the move to quarterback where he will lead the offense. Whether it's playing in the secondary or under center, the rising sophomore has the ability to do many different things and it was showcased with an MVP performance in the Lions' Gridiron Classic Fall Scrimmage. The offensive MVP from that game was Brent Henry, who will also play linebacker. Last season, Henry averaged a quarter of a field every time he touched the football and will have that same impact this year.

FB/DE Malaki Koon brings the power, running low to the ground like a grown man. Koon is an old-school type of player who brings the physicality on both sides. Jaxon Olivier is the team's best lineman, playing both sides of the ball and showing next-level potential. Kaleb Broussard was the Defensive MVP from the Gridiron Classic and was a standout performer at the Gridiron Football Elite Camps. Finally, OL Landon Broussard has been the team's most improved player over the last two seasons.

The Acadiana Christian Lions are on a mission to prove that 8-man football holds just as much heart, talent, and determination as any other format. With strong leadership, rising stars, and a chip on their shoulder, they are ready to battle for a state title and inspire others along the way.



Bowl Game Invites: LB Kaleb Broussard, DL Jaxon Olivier



The Albany Hornets Are Buying Into New Culture Set By Travis Mikel

New head coach Travis Mikel has been promoted to help change the culture at Albany High School. The former Southeastern Louisiana University assistant coach and Independence head coach got promoted to being the full-time head coach after being the interim in the middle of last season. As a former college offensive line coach, there is no doubt about the identity that Coach Mikel wants to bring to the program.

"You should see a program that loves to play the game and they love each other. When we are on the field, we want to honor our community by showing them how it is we want to live our life day in and day out. Number two, you are going to see a physically and a mentally tough team. After that, you should see a team that cares about details."

Offensively, the Hornets are going to run out of multiple formations, play with tempo, and run the football effectively to set up the deep passing attack. Jonah Grob is the epitome of what type of player Coach Mikel wants in his program. Whether it is at running back, fullback, or safety, Grob is going to approach the game with 100% passion and physicality. A two way player, Grob had 400 yards of offense while having 75 tackles, 7 PBUs, and 2 INTs on defense. Kaleb Smith-Hiley returns as the Hornets' bellcow after rushing for 427 yards on 75 carries. He also made a big impact defensively with 60 tackles and five interceptions at linebacker. Jaylen Lapine is one of the best team leaders on the team. After having 14 PBUs and four interceptions at cornerback, Lapine will have an extended role at running back.

Jake Milton is expected to become the Hornets' starting quarterback after starting seven games last season. The offensive line should be a strength for the team returning three starters including Johnathan Melendez, James Bates, and Gavin Harvey. Harvey, who has a 4.0 GPA in the classroom, is a perfect leader whether it is on the field or in the weight room. Garrett Bankston and Shedrick Rachell will be new starters up front. Yadrion Williams is a freshman wide receiver, but has a lot of upside because of his ability to run the whole route tree. Lawson Pierre is a reliable pass catcher and Donovan Rogers brings speed to stretch the defense.

Former Southeastern linebacker Tre' Bennett is the defensive coordinator and will lean on six returning starters on that side of the ball including



Bowl Game Invites: FB/TE Jonah Grob

two-way players Grob at safety, Lapine at cornerback, and Smith at line-backer. Devin Murray, Quenton, and Shermeyon Smith will round out an athletic back end. DE Josh Robinson brings energy to the team and his ability to fight through adversity is only going to help the team even more. Elijah Shockley and Beau Thompson will be the starting linebackers while Luke Smiley and Tommy Windom will help Robinson on the defensive line.

The Albany Hornets will take on Westminster Christian-Lafayette, Sarah T. Reed, East Feliciana, Independence, Jefferson Rise Charter, Pine, Springfield, Amite, Jewel Sumner, and Bogalusa.



The ASH Trojans Want More After Magical 2024 Run To Undefeated District Title and State Runner-Up Finish

By Jace LeJeune

2024 was a year of firsts for Alexandria Senior High School's football program as the Trojans finished the regular season undefeated and reached the Superdome for the first time ever where they finished as runner-ups to the Edna Karr Cougars. With the Trojans finishing as the Division I Non-Select state runner-ups for the second time in five years, head coach Thomas Bachman now wants his program to take a step further in 2025.

"That was a special group last year, but that was certainly one of the best that we had and proud of what we accomplished. We still have to get one more step on the ladder to feel ultimately good about what we have done. Back to work and see what we can do this year."

The Trojans are going to have to do it without some key pieces from last year's state championship run including JT Lindsey (LSU), who ran for 2,500 yards and 33 touchdowns as the Class 5A Offensive Player of the Year, and Gridiron Football All-Americans Jimmie Duncan (Northwestern State), Darius Washington (Louisiana Christian), and Jaiden Lewis (Evangel University).

Replacing a lot of star power on the offensive side, it will be full of juniors and other talented underclassmen. However, Karsen Sellers does return as the starting quarterback after earning All-District honors. WR Alex Fontenot and OL Peter Lofton return as starters while Grayson Thibodeaux will set the tone on both sides of the ball at tight end and defensive end.

Defensively, this team will lead the way while the young offense continues to develop. 13 of their top 18 most productive defenders return, including All-State LB Xzavier White, who was the state's leading tackler with 188 total stops. The defensive line will be anchored by Thibodeaux and nose guard Peyton Hobbs while the secondary will return veteran starters Kerrick Gaines and Jay Frazier.

Once again, the Trojans will have a tough schedule with their non-district opponents being West Feliciana, Union Parish, Destrehan, Opelousas, and Many before trying to defend their district title in one of the toughest divisions featuring heavyweights West Monroe, Ruston, Neville, Ouachita Parish, and Pineville.



Bowl Game Invites: LB Xzavier White, S/Nickel Kerrick Gaines, CB Jay Frazier, TE/DL Grayson Thibodeaux, DT Peyton Hobbs

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Improvement is The Focus Entering Year Three For Rising Program Acadiana Renaissance

Entering year three as the head coach of Acadiana Renaissance, Travis Blaize is continuing to add building blocks to a program that is still in its beginning stages. Starting a football program from ground 0 is all about the process for Coach Blaize.

"The big thing that we are looking for in a program that is in its infancy is improvement. The first year, we went winless so we were just trying to get better in everything that we do. We built our home stadium and had a place to play so we learned how to operate on Friday nights. We played a mixture of JV and varsity opponents. We found some wins, even a couple of comeback wins. It's important to build on that going into year three and take that next step."

With ARCA being such a young football program, the team is still made up of mostly freshmen and sophomores, but there are two seniors that are capable of becoming the first players to sign college scholarships from the school. The first is WR Sincere Moore, who came to the school as a transfer after being homeschooled previously. Moore has the talent to start for a lot of varsity teams as he is a great athlete that is dangerous with the ball in his hands. Last season, he averaged double digits in yards per catch and will be utilized creatively whether it is on jet sweeps, handoffs, or screens.

Perhaps, the first player to sign from the school could be a kicker in Jesse Clay, who originally caught the coaching staff's attention after winning a halftime contest for cash and Cane's gift cards. Now, he is one of the best kickers in the state with the range to kick from 50 yards out. Two underclassmen that have stood out this offseason are TE Noah Nowicki and RB Kristian Aubrey. Nowicki has the size at 6'3, 205 pounds, runs like a deer, and has great hands. Like Nowicki, Aubrey has great hands coming out of the backfield and has the ability to beat defenses between the tackles as well.

The ARCA Eagles will still play against JV opponents, but have increased their varsity schedule this season by playing against the likes of St. Edmund, Vermilion Catholic, Hanson Memorial, Morris Jeff, Oberlin, The Wil-low School, Beau Chene, and JS Clark.



Bowl Game Invites: WR Sincere Moore, K/P Jesse Clay



The Arcadia Hornets Plan On Keeping It Simple After Playoff Appearance Last Season

By Jace LeJeune

Year 1 of the Taylor Perron era at Arcadia High School had its share of ups and downs, but in the end, it accumulated into a 4-7 season with a playoff loss to Class 1A power West St. John High School. Going into year number two, Coach Perron wants to use the lessons he has learned from last season to build on even more consistency in 2025.

"I learned a lot as a first year head coach. You always have very high standards and expectations. Going into year two, I have watched a lot of film to know what path I need to take going into the year. More than anything, we just have to keep it simple," Coach Perron said.

The Hornets' top player returning is WR/DE/LB Kylon Clark, who Coach Perron gave the ball when it mattered most this past season, and that was even with Darrell Sneed, who is the cousin of NFL cornerback L'Jarius Sneed, on the team. At 6'2, 198 pounds with 4.49/40 speed, Clark is certainly one of the most underrated players that North Louisiana has to offer.

Combine that with other skill players like QB Jeremiah Jackson and RB/WR/CB Bryce Gates, the Hornets will have an exciting style of play. Their spread option offense attack made some waves during 7v7 action defeating bigger programs like Huntington, Minden, and Benton in the offseason.

Defensively, the Hornets will play multiple fronts, but will be in a base 4-2-5 front most of the time. As the Hornets get ready for the season, Coach Perron wants his team to continue working on their execution and overall team chemistry.

The Hornets will play against Lakeside, Carroll, Ringgold, Jonesboro Hodge, Glenbrook, Plain Dealing, Haynesville, Cedar Creek, and Lincoln Prep this season.



Archbishop Hannan Builds Some Momentum After Playoff Win Last Season

It has been a tough season and a half for head coach Steve Soper as he has been rebuilding the Archbishop Hannan Hawks from the ground up when he took over as interim head coach in 2023 and was promoted as the full-time coach in 2024. However, progress has really shown over the last half of last season and it all accumulated in the playoffs when the Hawks were able to get a playoff victory over St. Michael. Building off the momentum from last year's playoff upset, Coach Soper believes that it is a great jump point into the 2025 season.

"We should be a discipline group. Guys are going to fly around all over the football. Just knowing that second year, the team is going to have a better understanding from the way things are working. It is not so much as an introduction, but it is a normal routine and I think that is big for us."

As the former offensive and defensive coordinator at Archbishop Hannan, Coach Soper feels that the team has finally grasped the new scheme on both sides of the football. Offensively, the Hawks will have to replace some key skill guys including the dynamic QB/WR combination of Brody Smith and Hayden Alonzo that connected for 68 grabs for 1,103 yards and 10 touchdowns. However, all five offensive linemen from last season do return up front with those starters being Elijah Williamson, Dorian Francis, Max Hand, Jude Monier, and Brennan Jarrell. Returning your entire offensive line is always a great thing to build upon. The new starting quarterback will be Braden Sprang, who does have some experience playing the position. What will help him is that Riley Jones will return at running back after rushing for 576 yards and five touchdowns last year. Returning starters David Chimento and Hunter Lay do provide some stability at wide receiver with Lay being the leading returner from last season with 44 catches for 482 yards and two touchdowns.

Defensively, Gridiron Football Elite Camp Top Performer and All-District selection Greyson Dupre leads the linebacking core after having 112 tackles, 6 TFLs, and 3 forced fumbles last season. The secondary is one of the biggest strengths of the team with three year starter CB Keaton Wheeler, Paul Hoyt, who had over 80 tackles last season, Carson Wallace, Cade McHughes, and Ryan Rist all part of a deep group. Up front, the Hawks will have to rebuild on the defensive line with Liam Benton being the only play



Bowl Game Invites: LB/P Greyson Dupre

er with experience. Other defensive linemen like Gabe Timmons, Logan Wheat, Chase Romero, and Collin Coggins will step up in starting roles. On special teams, Dupre will handle the punting duties after averaging 40 yards per punt and soccer player Armani Reyes will handle the kicking duties.

The Archbishop Hannan Hawks will take on Northlake Christian, Ascension Episcopal, Catholic Pointe Coupee, Covenant Christian, St. Thomas Aquinas, Pearl River, Loranger, Cohen, Lakeshore, and Franklinton this season.



A New Era of Ascension Catholic Football Brings Same Expectations

Incredibly, Ascension Catholic is on their sixth different head coach in six years, but no matter who has been the head coach, the Bulldogs have always been in the mix for state championships. During that time, Ascension Catholic has posted an 82-18 overall record including two state championship appearances and four semifinal appearances. One of those semifinal appearances came just a season ago with the Bulldogs finishing with an 11-2 overall record. The new head coach that will be taking over the program is Taylor James, who is a rising star in the coaching ranks after moving his way up from being a graduate assistant at Northwestern State to being a defensive coordinator at Vandebilt Catholic to being an assistant coach at the Texas high school ranks at places like Woodville and Longview to now being a head coach.

"It has been awesome. I have been enjoying it since day one. Moving back, there have always been a few jobs that I've had circled and thought would be a great opportunity for me and this was one of them. I am excited about it."

The first challenge for Coach James is replacing the production of the program's all-time leading rusher Chad Elzy (Kentucky State.) The former Gridiron Football All-American accounted for 6,871 all purpose yards and 101 touchdowns as a two time All-State selection and a Class 1A Offensive MVP. Although nobody can replace a playmaker like Elzy, the Bulldogs still have some great options. Trevin Simon is next in line of great backs to come from the school. Like Elzy, Simon is making the transition from wide receiver to running back and can really fill in that role. While Simon brings the speed, Josh Barber will bring the power as a 235 pound back. The offensive line will be a strength for the team returning three starters including left tackle Vaughn Blanchard, center Cole Cassard, and left guard Karston Broden. Hayden Turner, Dayveon Gleason, and Noah Ortiz will be new contributors up front.

There is a quarterback battle between Greg Fernandez and Kamryn Schexnayder, but the winner of that competition will have a deep, talented receiving core to throw to led by former Gridiron Football Elite Camp Top Performer Jacob Julien, Cy Landry, Johnny Viallon, and TE Chris Anthens.



Bowl Game Invites: RB/DB Trevin Simon, OL Vaughn Blanchard

Coach James wants his defense to swarm to the football as one unit in a 4-2 scheme. The Bulldogs will have to replace a leader in Mace Melancon (Nicholls State), but there is still a lot of talent there. The defensive line has a lot of returning experience in two way starters Blanchard, Athens, Broden, Gleason, and Turner. Barber, Jon Rob Daigle, Kole Folse, and Raif Melancon will lead the linebacker corps. Finally, the secondary will have a lot of great athletes including Julien, Landry, Simon, Aiden Hebert, Shane Aucoin, Jayden Verner, and Jahkari Jenkins.

Even though there are new faces, the goal is still the same for the Ascension Catholic Bulldogs to compete for a state championship in 2025.

Assumption Tries To Revert Back To Big 2023 Season After Injury Plagued Year In 2024

The Assumption Mustangs had a great season in 2023 with a 9-3 overall record and a second round playoff appearance. The Mustangs were looking forward to building off that success, but injuries derailed the 2024 season. Still, the Mustangs were able to overcome the adversity by winning four games and reaching the playoffs. Entering his fourth year, head coach Will Broussard is optimistic about the upcoming season.

"We are going to try to rekindle what we did two years ago. We caught lightning in a bottle. Win, lose, or draw, the fans are going to be there to support us. If they continue to do that, they are going to see an interesting product on the football field."

After dealing with injuries last year, the Mustangs return their two guys in the backfield in QB Zion Willoughby and RB Kaleb Davis. Willoughby is the most dynamic player on the team. After making All-District as a wide receiver and a defensive back, the Mustangs' speedster is making the transition to quarterback. He has the ability to run the football when plays breakdown. Davis should also elevate the running game as he is now fully healthy after missing some time due to injury. Despite having to replace former Gridiron Football All-American Jace Williams (Arkansas Monticello), the Mustangs have three returning starters on the offensive line, which should help the running game even more. Hayden Thibodaux, three year starter Tiago Flores, Kairo Flores, and Braxton Duval lead a veteran group. Along with guys like Willoughby and Davis, there is a lot of speed to build upon at wide receiver. Coach Broussard is going to try the best he can to give these guys the football. WR/DB Brexton Benoit, WR/CB Keyzonta Preston, RB/WR Cemahj Myles, and WR/CB Zamajh Jamison will not only make an impact offensively, but in the secondary on defense as well.

Speaking of the defense, the Mustangs will be young and not overly big, but fast. They return their top two leading tacklers in LB Reid Diez, who is a three year starter, and Brexton Benoit. Diez is making the move to linebacker after starting at safety since he was a freshman. Benoit comes back to pace the secondary after leading the team in interceptions last year. Up front, Thibodaux is a hard worker and a great leader for the team that



Bowl Game Invites: ATH Zion Willoughby, OLB Hayden Thibodaux

everybody looks up to. He is an unselfish player that will play anywhere as long as the team is successful.

This year, the Assumption Mustangs will take on Donaldsonville, H.L. Bourgeois, Thibodaux, Lutchet, Morgan City, Ellender, South Lafourche, Vandebilt Catholic, E.D. White, and South Terrebonne.



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Avoyelles Mustangs May Try Different Things Offensively, But Philosophy Remains The Same

The Avoyelles Mustangs have been known for their double tight double wing offensive attack that is the pure definition of "three yards and a cloud of dust." That old school philosophy brought the Mustangs to a semifinal appearance in 2021. Although head coach Corey Bannister is trying some different things on the offensive side of the football, the philosophy will remain the same.

"Our running game will be good even though we will be doing things in a different way. We have been in a lot of double wing, but we are going to be more traditional this year so be on the look out for that. Although we will do some double wing stuff, you will see a lot of 20 personnel and a lot of 10 personnel."

Defensively, the Mustangs will want to utilize their team speed in their 3-3-5 stack base look. From a leadership standpoint, there are four players that Coach Bannister will be looking towards a whole lot this upcoming season.

QB/FS Kaise Gauthier, RB/CB Kevin Jones, WR/TE/LB Wyatt Bordelon, and OT/DE Kobe Smith have been the staple of the team as all four players have played at least two years in the program, put a lot of time in the program, and provided great leadership for the rest of the team. They are just four of the guys to keep an eye on this season.

After back to back playoff seasons under Coach Bannister, the Mustangs are now going to try and



accomplish what they did under Coach Boone which was to make deep playoff runs.

The Mustangs will take on Marksville, Pineville, Bunkie, Buckeye, Lakeview, Port Barre, Holy Savior Menard, Bolton Academy, Oakdale, and Kinder this fall.



Bowl Game Invites: QB/FS Kaise Gauthier, RB/CB Kevin Jones

Belaire Head Coach Larry Metevia Focuses On Rebuilding Culture By Surrounding Himself With Great Student Athletes

Entering his second year as Belaire High School's head football coach, Larry Metevia is trying to build on a 3-7 campaign from a season ago. Being a former All-American at Grambling, Metevia has learned from some of the best to help him with his coaching career including Hall of Fame head coach Eddie Robinson and Super Bowl winning QB Doug Williams. What he enjoys the most about coaching at Belaire is being around great young men that have the potential to do great things just like the guys mentioned he has been around.

"We have new leadership, experience, and good talent. There are a lot of good guys that believe in each other and hold each other accountable. Our best talent has the highest GPA in the classroom as well. I am grateful to have great football players, but I am more grateful to have great young men that I want to brag about coaching."

The Bengals have to replace one of those guys in former Gridiron Football All-American Caleb Joseph (Centenary College), who had 1,900 all-purpose yards and 20 touchdowns last year. Filling in Joseph's shoes will be tough, but there are other great leaders that have put in the work this offseason. At quarterback, Coach Metevia has some high praise for talented young signal caller Keontre Brothers, who he has compared to former Madison Prep star quarterback and current Houston Cougars quarterback Zeon Chriss. Brothers will have one of the top wide receivers in the district to throw the football to in Ja'Kyron Profit. Kamyron Robinson also returns as one of



the best athletes in the district. In fact, Robinson led the district in interceptions last season and will also carry those ball skills to the offensive side as a wide receiver.

Up front, Coach Metevia has praised the work ethic of his two best offensive linemen in Jacorian Newman and Otis Locue. Both guys have stepped up big this offseason and will play on both lines of scrimmage. While Newman will play on the defensive line and Locue will start at linebacker, Braxton Smith will set the edge at defensive end. Smith has a lot of upside with a 6'3, 280 pound frame. Other players that the Bengals will be expecting big things from this year are RB/CB Tyreik Blair, FB/LB Lamone Richard, OL/DL Christen Fontenette, TE/LB Jcorey Freeman, OL/DL Jayden Jackson, Keon Jackson, who will also play some quarterback, WR/DB Kevontae

Hasbert, DE/OLB Jeremiah Drewery, WR/CB Christopher Vick, and DB Warren Kemp to name a few.

This season, the Belaire Bengals will take on Glen Oaks, West Feliciana, Plaquemine, St. Michael, Brusly, Istrouma, McKinley, Broadmoor, Tara, and Belaire.



Bowl Game Invites: OL Jacorian Newman, OL Otis Locue

Breaux Bridge Seeks Improvement From Unselfish Senior Class

The Breaux Bridge Tigers are seeking a big jump from Year 1 to Year 2 under head coach Tyler Pierce after a 2-8 campaign in 2024. While injuries and changing schemes played a part in last year's struggles, it also allowed a lot of different players to see action at a lot of different positions.

"This is a fun group to coach and one of the biggest things is that this is a good group of kids. It just makes you want to become a better person and a better coach around them. For us, it is to put the accountability on their shoulders because we know they can handle it. They are mentally tough and do everything that we ask them to do. They are teaching the youth that we have, which is a lot of freshmen and sophomores."

This will be a new offensive approach for Coach Pierce as he has hired a new offensive coordinator in Benjamin Gonzales, who comes over from Carencro High School. After going through five quarterbacks last season, the Tigers are going to lean on the run a lot more which will open up the pass. Canyon Ardoin will be the new starting quarterback this season. Coach Pierce praises Ardoin's detailed mind and that his baseball background will help him as a passer. Things will be easy when throwing to former Gridiron Football Elite Camp top performer Isaiah Leblanc at wide receiver. The 6'3, 180 pound wide receiver is a big time weapon that will be utilized everywhere and has picked up an offer from Northwestern State. Leblanc even stepped up at quarterback when needed.

Like Coach Pierce said, "this senior group is full of players that can step up and do whatever is



necessary for the team." Christian Joseph started out as a defensive lineman, but over the course of the season, he was needed to also play on the offensive line. The 6'3, 240 pound lineman has been a leader for the younger linemen. Baylon Champagne originally was supposed to play linebacker, but when the identity of the offense changed, he was more involved at running back. Champagne ended up being the team's leading rusher and tackler last season. Shawnee Lewis is another player that will start primarily at linebacker, but whenever Champagne needs a breather, he will also spell out at running back.

While the offense will be a work in progress with a new scheme, the defense returns back a lot of experience including nine returning starters on that side of the football including Joseph,

Champagne, Lewis, DT Percy Moultrie, DT Kenyan Demonter, LB Emmanuel Watson, LB Cruz Trail, CB Chase Broussard, S Dakoween Celestine, and S Noah Soloman.

This season, the Breaux Bridge Tigers will take on Natchitoches Central, Vermilion Catholic, St. Martinville, Kaplan, Northlake Christian, Cecilia, Northside, Beau Chene, Opelousas, and Livonia.



Bowl Game Invite:
WR Isaiah Leblanc

Broadmoor Moving In Right Direction Under Yasin Sarah, Dedicates Season To Legendary Head Coach Rusty Price

Entering year four as the head coach of the Broadmoor Buccaneers, Yasin Sarah is still building the program and last year proved to be a step in the right direction with the Bucs getting two wins last season against Belaire and Tara. The 2025 season is a year that Coach Sarah wants to see more of those improvements for his football program, especially since a lot of the freshmen that were first taking part are now seniors.

"We felt like from top to bottom, we saw a lot of improvement. We took our end of the year meetings very seriously whether they were players meetings or coaches meetings. We identified the main things that we needed to fix and we felt like this offseason we addressed those things. We are moving in the right direction."

Coach Sarah's quarterback for all of this time returns once again for his third year as a starter and that is Brandon Thomas. Thomas is what you expect in a veteran quarterback as he is a leader and is ready to take a big step in 2025. He will not only be the leader of the offense, but he is also the quarterback of the defense as a safety too. Jorge Alvarez perhaps has the most upside on the team and is still pretty raw as he has only been playing football for three years. At 6'4, 275 pounds, Alvarez has improved in his work ethic as well as his strength, flexibility, and agility. He will play both ways on the offensive line as well as the defensive line after having 64 tackles and four sacks last season.

Dewayne Christopher has been with Coach Sarah since the beginning as a four year player



and is one of the biggest leaders of the team on the offensive line and the defensive line. Alvarez, Christopher, TJ Scott, Travarous Scott, Earl Tibodeaux, and 6'5, 365 pound Kamren Goins will lead the trenches. Fellow four year player and track runner Ryker Washington will be the team's running back after getting some experience last season. Thomas' top two receiving targets at wideout are Damarion Williams and Qasim Morehouse. Both can line up anywhere whether it is the X position, slot, or on the line.

The Buccaneers will return a lot of experience throughout the defensive side of the football. The linebacking core returns Aidan Ingham and the secondary is also experienced, returning pass-

ionate four year starter Marcus Raine, Williams, and Thomas.

The Broadmoor Buccaneers will pay tribute this season to legendary head coach Rusty Price, who led the program 28 seasons to great success including most notably defeating powerhouse John Curtis twice in the playoffs and making the Class 4A State Championship Game in 1992. Coach Price passed away at the end of December last year and the team wants to do right by him in dedicating the season in his memory. The Buccaneers will take on Springfield, Brusly, West Feliciana, McKinley, St. Michael, Tara, Istrouma, Belaire, Slaughter Charter, and Plaquemine.

Bowl Game Invites: ATH Brandon Thomas, OL Jorge Alvarez

Bunkie Aims To Continue Trajectory of Program After Historic Two Year Stretch

By Jace LeJeune

The first two years of the Jimmie Hillman era have been historic at Bunkie High School with a combined record of 21-3 during that stretch including the program's first semifinal appearance since 1988.

Although the team does return some veteran leadership, the Panthers will have to replace a trio that has been at the focal point of this program during its run. Those three players are Gridiron Football All-Americans in QB Dillon Compton (Southern), WR/CB Kyle Johnson (Mississippi State), and OL JD Smith. Replacing three program greats is tough, but the talent is still there for the Panthers to continue their run.

After two years of Compton under center, the new quarterback will be decided in fall camp between Brady Wright, who will play on defense as well, and Austin Fitzgerald. Both are gunslingers that want to push the ball downfield. The projected number 1 wide receiver is veteran Cain Milligan, who came alive in the playoffs last season with a three touchdown performance against Amite.

The offense will lean on its ground game headline by two way star Zion Lee. The bruising 5'11, 225 pound back will have more of a role after rushing for 946 yards and 15 touchdowns last season. Jateren Gaines will also get some carries as well. Up front, this will be a new offensive line that will have to replace three starters. There's a lot of competition with seven players vying for five spots.



While the offense gels, the defense will carry the load with six starters returning. The linebacker/secondary is one of the best in the entire state. All-State two way player Zion Lee paces the defensive front with 93 tackles and 10 TFLs. Swiss army knife Lucas Mose is an All-State selection that can get in the box, blitz off the edge, or drop back in coverage. He is also a pretty good punter too. Tackling machine Luke Normand is going for the career program tackle record as he has over 300 tackles. Finally, there is arguably the team's best overall player and that is DB Ron Patterson, who sent the Panthers to the semis with a game changing 88 yard pick six.

Winning 87% of his games in two seasons is definitely an impressive feat and Coach Hillman believes that the program is in place to continue that trajectory in year number three.



Bowl Game Invites: RB/LB Zion Lee, WR Cain Milligan, SS Lucas Mose, DB Ron Patterson



Carencro Golden Bears Trying To Go Back To Golden Years In 2025

The Carencro Golden Bears will be trying to go back to what the program has been used to and that is competing for state championships. For second year head football coach Gavin Peters, last year was the exception being that it has only been the second losing season of the decade, and that Carencro will go back to its winning ways in 2025.

"We are looking forward to the upcoming season. We have been working extremely hard since December to get to this point and to go out there and restore the pride and respect back to Carencro football."

The Golden Bears will have a chance to be in every game as they have one of the most versatile players in the state of Louisiana in Chantz Babineaux. The recent Nicholls State commit has been a star for the Golden Bears since his freshman year and has made numerous plays all over the field including being the starting quarterback the last two years. The three star athlete has done everything that you can possibly imagine including playing running back, wide receiver, cornerback, safety, kicker, and punter. Former Gridiron Football Junior High All-American QB Carson Gurzi is now the full-time starting quarterback after sharing snaps with Babineaux last season. Gurzi, who is one of the top quarterbacks in Louisiana for the Class of 2028, has great chemistry with not only Babineaux, but another versatile playmaker in Kendrick Bernard. Like Babineaux, Bernard has played all over the field since his freshman year including at running back, wide receiver, and cornerback. TE Jaelan

Roberts will be another weapon for Gurzi after making the transition from defense to offense.

While the passing game will be one of the best the program has ever had, Carencro is also trying to go back to their veer rushing attack after a disappointing season on the ground. Christopher Baham and Khylen Taylor will be the two running backs this year. The offensive line should be better and bigger up front as well. Starting his career on the defensive line, Khayman George is comfortable after making the transition to offense mid year. Sophomore Mister Finney has the potential to become a big time college player as he is 6'6, 306 pounds. Returning starter Omarion Clark, Camdyn Richard, Danny Fuselier, and Blake Roger also will man the line of scrimmage.

Defensively, Carencro will have to replace two Gridiron Football All-Americans in LB Brian Amune and DE Jakayln Roy, but returns some talent back. DE William Laverne has grown a lot over the last two years and talented Hayden Monroe will be the other edge rusher. Monroe will also play a lot at tight end on offense. Michael Francis and Kelvin Helaire will play on the interior. Seniors Da'keavean Martin, Tim Wigley, Tevontrey Jackson, and Rontrell Woods will start at linebacker. Finally, CB Brandon Duffy, CB



Amarre Dennis, FS Wilson Landry, and SS Derace James make up the secondary.

Like last season, Carencro will be tested early on against powerhouse programs St. Thomas More, LCA, and Zachary before making their way into district play.



Bowl Game Invites: WR Chantz Babineaux, OL Khayman George, LB William Laverne, WR Kendrick Bernard, LB Da'keavean Martin

The Carroll Bulldogs Look To Raise Their Expectations This Year Led By Big Senior Class

The Carroll Bulldogs are looking to build on a five win season from a year ago. After losing in the first round of the playoffs to West Feliciana, the Bulldogs have high expectations with a deep and experienced senior class.

Offensively, the Bulldogs will be a heavy running team that will have a four headed monster at running back. The Bulldogs' identity will be smash mouth football running behind a talented offensive line led by three year starting center Ashton Maxwell, OG Daviel Straughter, and right tackle Jordan Holmes. Although this is a run first team team, they have a big time threat in the passing game and that is Jason Friels Jr. At 6'4, Friels is a mismatch problem that is nearly unstoppable in 50/50 balls. A former quarterback, Friels may see some time there as well, but most of his playing time will be out wide as he has often been compared by his teammates to legendary NFL wide receiver Calvin Johnson.

Defensively, the front will be led by one of the best defensive tackles in the state, and that is Jordan Holmes. Holmes, who will also play on the offensive line, made All-State last year on defense. The front seven also has a great linebacking duo in Michael White, who was a 1st Team All-District selection last season, and Brennon Chatman, who compliments Michael well as a linebacker/safety hybrid.

The Bulldogs have a lot of confidence in their kicker/punter Joshua Bravo as he has a leg that is capable of making field goals from 40+ yards



out. Other senior leaders that will play a lot this season for the Bulldogs are RB Joel Hill, DB Zion McFarland, DB/KR Leroy Gaddis, DL Joshua Staten, DT Dreginald Eleam, OT Jeremiah Harris, and DE/LB Malaki Long.

UPDATE: Since this article was written, Coach Williams was replaced by new head coach, coach Levi Washington. Coach Washington is Carroll's sixth head coach since 2022.



Bowl Game Invites: DT Jordan Holmes, LB Michael White, WR Jason Friels Jr., SS/OLB Brennon Chatman, K/P Joshua Bravo



The Catholic High Bears Are One Of Heavy Favorites To Compete For A State Championship In 2025

Since the Catholic High Bears broke through for their first state championship in 2015, winning championships is something that has become natural to one of the biggest football factories in Louisiana. Since that short time, the Bears have won five state championships and were just a couple of plays away from playing for their sixth title last season in a 21-19 narrow loss to eventual Division I Select State Champion Edna Karr. With a state championship and a semifinal appearance in his first two years as head coach, expect more of the same for Hudson Fuller and the rest of the Bears in 2025.

The Bears return some good depth at the quarterback position led by Baylor Graves, who threw for 1,395 yards and 14 touchdowns last season. Turner Goldsmith and James Pendarvis can also get some reps under center too throughout the course of the year. Whoever is under center will get to hand the football off to one of the best running backs in the country in Jayden Miles, who ran for 646 yards and 16 touchdowns as a sophomore last year. Cale Alexander, who has been having a great offseason, Beau Thomas, and 2nd Team All-District TE Jude Chamberlain are just some of the pass catchers in this explosive offense. The offensive line is led by one of the best in the state in Stanford commit Blaise Thomassie as well as Josh Shelton, Max Jones, and Michael Mouck.

The defense is led by one of the best overall players in the state of Louisiana in Ohio State commit and five star safety Blaine Bradford. ULL commit



Bowl Game Invites: S Blaine Bradford, OL Blaise Thomassie, OLB/S Harrison Kidder, LB Maxwell Maurer

Harrison Kidder is an incredible athlete as not only an All-District linebacker/safety, but also a key player on the Bears' baseball state championship team. All-District LB Maxwell Maurer returns for his third year as a starter after having over 90 tackles last season. All-District DE Jayden Vessell, Jackson Shaw, Tank Dearbonne, and Jace Holland lead the defensive line. Along with Bradford, the secondary will be a strength with guys like CB Pierson Carmouche and Ian Locklar leading the way.



**Head Coach
Hudson Fuller**

Catholic New Iberia's Balance Makes Panthers A Threat To Repeat As State Champions

The Catholic High New Iberia Panthers won their third state championship in program history last season under head coach Matthew Desormeaux. The Panthers went under the radar in 2024 despite having only one loss on the season and winning their district championship. En route to the Division III Select State Championship, the Panthers took down heavy hitters Newman, Calvary Baptist, and Dunham. For Coach Desormeaux, it was a season to remember in bringing the Panthers back their first state championship since 2017.

"Anytime you have a chance to play in the Superdome is a special year. Most guys don't get that opportunity. I was really happy for our kids last year. They bought into the program, played some really good teams on their way to the state championship, and found ways to win very difficult games. It was a special year and those guys made it that way."

The offense will have to replace program legend Luke Landry, who threw for 2,942 yards and 42 touchdowns last season. Replacing Landry at quarterback is an interesting choice and that is Xander LaBauve. At 6'4, 205 pounds, LaBauve is making the transition from defensive end to quarterback. The last couple of seasons, LaBauve learned under Landry so soaking in that knowledge has helped him. The converted quarterback will still have an impact on defense after having 60 tackles and 7 sacks in 2024.

Owen Morris returns for his second year as a

starter at running back. Like LaBauve, Morris made the move from defense to offense after originally starting at safety. Now, he will be asked to play multiple positions including running back, safety, outside linebacker, and even some quarterback in situations. In contrast to last year when the line was young and the skill players were veterans, it will be the exact opposite in 2025. Although young, there are still some very talented skill players for LaBauve to throw to including two way star Layton Mitchell, who had 1,000 yards receiving last year, WR/Slot Khyron Edwards, and 6'7 TE Jacob Minvielle, who will be replacing All-State TE Joseph Leblanc. Coach Desormeaux will have a balanced offense once again as last season, the Panthers passed the ball 52% of the time and ran the ball 48% of the time. That may be switched as 4 of last year's 5 starting offensive linemen return including Jake Poirier, Avery Delcambre, Ilijah Butts, and Desmond Jones.

Defensively, Labauve, Joseph Trappey, and Michael Bertrand all return on the defensive line. The linebacking core has to replace standouts Bennett Woodring and JD Hidalgo, but does return Izaac Andre and Michael Haik. The secondary is one of the best in the entire state returning



2 year starting CB Layton Mitchell, experienced CB Xavier Ledet and 4 star 2027 S Karon Eugene, who had the state championship clinching interception and has received offers from LSU, Texas A&M, USC, Purdue, and Michigan.

Last year's state championship played complementary football and the Catholic New Iberia Panthers expect to play the same way in their title defense.



Bowl Game Invites:
S Layton Mitchell

Catholic Pointe Coupee Wants To Elevate Even More After First District Championship Since 2020

For the first time since 2020, Catholic High Pointe Coupee won the 5-1A district championship with a 9-1 regular season in 2024. It was a fun regular season for the Hornets and winning a championship in one of the toughest districts in the state is impressive. However, this year, the Hornets not only want to repeat as district champions, but make a deeper run in the playoffs after falling in the second round to the eventual Division IV Select state runner-up Ouachita Christian. Third year head coach Jacob Carruth has posted a 17-6 record through two years and believes that 2025 could be the best team yet.

"We are going to turn it up a notch. We've got an expanded roster this year. We are up significantly by almost 10 guys on the roster. We lost five good seniors from last season, but we have 10 seniors that we are really excited about. We brought in a huge freshman class. It is the third year in the system so we are really excited."

The athletic Jude Morrison returns as the starting quarterback for the third season after throwing for 967 yards and 15 touchdowns while rushing for 516 yards and seven touchdowns last season. Morrison is one of the best quarterbacks in the district and at the 1A level that you can find. Myka Nipple also returns for his junior season after rushing for 608 yards and eight touchdowns in 2024. Nipple can do a little bit of everything whether it is running through guys, away from guys, or catching the ball out of the backfield.

Although the Hornets have to replace production

from receivers like Brooks Capps, Luke Vosburg, and Parker Jewell, Coach Carruth believes that the wide receiver group can elevate their game this year. Edwin Williams showed flashes as a freshman receiver and will have an expanded role. Former Gridiron Football Junior High All-American Da'Michael Hart is already making an impact entering his 9th grade year at receiver and will also get the opportunity to return kicks and punts. TE Carson Crabtree is one of the fastest and strongest players on the team. He is a reliable pass catcher and a good blocker. The offensive line returns three veteran starters to lead the way including Colby Canezaro, Nick Vosburg, and Jacob Caballero.

The defensive line is led by returning starters Owen Lacour, Grahm Roy, who had 37 tackles and 5.5 TFLs, and Eli Henry. The linebackers are Zane Sonnier, Carter Devillier, and Hayes Langlois. The secondary is one of the best in the entire district led by three year starter Cohen Higginbotham, who is a tough, physical safety. Kooper Burke and Justin Woods will be the starting cornerbacks. Along with playing quarterback, Morrison will play safety as well as handle the kicking and punting duties.



Catholic Pointe Coupee will take on Red River, Crowley, Archbishop Hannan, Westminster Christian Academy (Opelousas), Livonia, North Central, Berchman, St. Edmund, Sacred Heart, and Opelousas Catholic.

Bowl Game Invites: S Cohen Higginbotham,
OL Jacob Caballero, TE Carson Crabtree, ATH
Jude Morrison



Cecilia Makes Adjustment From Being The Hunters To The Hunted In State Championship Title Defense

What a special year it was for the Cecilia Bulldogs in 2025. For the first time since 1995 and the second time in the history of the program, Cecilia ended up in the Superdome with the state championship trophy. It was a Cinderella run for the 18th ranked Bulldogs en route to the Division II Non-Select State Championship as Cecilia went on the road every game in the playoffs to get there. Now, the Bulldogs are now focused on defending their state title and they will do so with a new head coach in Cody Champagne. Coach Champagne has been a longtime assistant coach for 20 years and he is now getting his opportunity to lead his alma mater.

"I'm excited. I get to do a job when growing up, the guys that I've looked up to were the coaches there and now, I get to work the same halls that they did. It's a great honor."

Coach Champagne is replacing Dennis Skains, who is now at East Ascension as an assistant coach. Coach Skains led the Bulldogs to a 71-38 record, nine playoff appearances, two Quarterfinal appearances, a state runner-up finish, and of course, the state title. Offensively, the Bulldogs will have to replace a program legend in Diesel Solari (Coffeyville CC), who accounted for 2,578 total yards and 41 touchdowns, and Gridiron Football All-American Bowl Game MVP Ellis Stewart (Arkansas Pine Bluff). However, the good news is that the Bulldogs have one of the best prospects in the 2027 class in RB Braylon Calais. At 6'4, 195 pounds, the Bulldogs' return

ing 1,000 yard rusher has already received offers from LSU, Tulane, Arkansas, Miami, Texas A&M, USC, Mississippi State, Baylor, Houston and TCU.

Calais will take the pressure off of Colin Dore, who will take the reins as the new starting quarterback for the Bulldogs. He will have talented weapons to give the ball to including Calais, WR Jermaine Davis, who has played since his freshman year, H-Back Deondre Briscoe, 6'4 WR Jayden Lewis, and WR Malike Joseph. The Bulldogs' explosive skill players will have to step up to make plays as the offensive line returns only one starter in right tackle Ethan Journet.

The defense will be more experienced with seven returning starters. Four year starter Braylon Jones has been a productive player at linebacker over his career and has taken the next step as a leader of the team. Three year starter Colton Frank and Conner Helaire are also returning starters at linebacker. Jace Knott recovered the state championship winning fumble and returns at defensive end. He is joined by Kennan Batiste and Eli Williams up front. Veteran Frankie Frank and Demarcus Babineaux return at safety while



Dakelian Chevalier and Dakorey Living will be the new cornerbacks.

The defending state champions have a tough schedule facing St. Martinville, St. Amant, Northside, Central, Notre Dame, Breau Bridge, Beau Chene, Opelousas, and Livonia.

Bowl Game Invites:
LB Braylon Jones,
WR Jayden Lewis,
LB Conner Helaire



Central Private Is On The Cusp Of First Winning Season Since Joining LHSA

It is now three years since Central Private has made the move from MAIS to LHSA and each year, the Redhawks are making improvements. After a 3-8 season in 2023, Central Private was able to better their record to .500 with a 5-5 overall record in 2024. Although the Redhawks barely missed the playoffs, there is a lot of excitement for head coach Cole Holden and his team to post their first winning season since joining the LHSA.

"We took some huge strides as a program last year from a win-loss standpoint. It wasn't where we wanted to be, but we went 5-5. Within the program, it was my second year and we were more consistent with our expectations in the locker room. The leadership improved and the Central Private standard has improved every year since."

The 2025 version of the Redhawks is going to be their most athletic team yet. This will also be the third year in the Wing T offense. Laiken Laudermilk returns as the team's best offensive player after rushing for 1,200 yards and 11 touchdowns last season. Laudermilk will be the bell-cow in the Redhawks' running offense. He will be joined in the backfield by Eli McCumsey, who will also double as a linebacker for the defense. Zack Browning returns as the quarterback after starting last season. Along with Laudermilk, Seth Hatfield is another top player for Central Private. Hatfield made some great catches offensively last season and is a ball magnet on defense with three interceptions including one returned for a touchdown at cornerback. WR/S Briggs Peterson and TE/DE Brody Gibson are two way starters

that will contribute for the team. Huxley Renard, who also starts at linebacker, is the leader of the offensive line and knows exactly where everybody is supposed to line up. Renard, returning starter Gage Guillory, OT/DE Brayden Roy, OG/DT Wyatt Neal, and center Jacob Russell will be in the trenches for both sides of the ball.

Defensively, the Redhawks will be deep on the defensive line and will have their best secondary yet, but the biggest piece to the puzzle is the linebacker position. Sebastian Loupe and Drew Martel will be the new starting linebackers. Hatfield and Briggs Peterson will be captains of the defense in the secondary. Peterson will make all the calls as well as get everybody lined up on defense and not to mention, he also returns as the team's starting kicker.

The Central Private Rebels will navigate through a tough schedule in order to achieve their goals of a winning season by facing North Iberville, Ascension Christian, Gueydan, Centerville Academy, Springfield, Ben Franklin, Varnado, Thrive Academy, Southern Lab, and Kentwood.



Bowl Game Invites: CB Seth Hatfield, RB Laiken Laudermilk



The CHEF Patriots Show That There's Good Football Outside LHSAA After Graduating Three Gridiron Football All-Americans

The CHEF (Christian Home Educators Fellowship) Patriots are one of the best homeschool football programs that you will find around as they have achieved a lot of success playing against other homeschool based organizations not only in Louisiana, but Mississippi and Texas as well. The Patriots' goal each season is to play in the Louisiana Independent State Championship as well as the National Homeschool Football Association (NHFA) Championship Tournament. That is what the Patriots accomplished in 2023 winning the Independent Louisiana State Championship and the NHFA PCB Bowl. Along the way, the Patriots had three players earn invitations to play in the Gridiron Football All-American Bowl Game including Kade Whitehead (Centenary College), Chase McCall (Centenary College), and Brendan London (ULL). Entering his fifth year at CHEF, head coach Jason Whitehead has shown that there's great talent at the homeschool level.

"We had a pretty good season in 2024 all things considered. We had a really tough schedule and from a coaching standpoint, one of the toughest things was keeping the guys on the same page and moving forward. We had a couple of tough losses, but we pushed through and ended the season well in Nationals. It was a great year for us and we had some guys get recruited thanks to Gridiron's work."

The 2025 CHEF Patriots will be a young team after graduating 11 seniors from last season. It will be a rebuilding year but Coach Whitehead and

Coach Broderick Fowler's sons Caleb Whitehead and Broderick Fowler Jr. will step up as leaders. After playing on the offensive line in years past since 8th grade, Caleb will convert to H-Back this year and will get the opportunity to be a workhorse in the Patriots' ground attack. Meanwhile, Fowler is a true lockdown cornerback that will shut down a passing game defensively.

Micah Beeson and Broderick Fowler make up a great cornerback tandem as not many teams will have success throwing the ball on both guys. With Beeson's speed, the Patriots will also utilize him heavily on the offensive side of the football as a wide receiver. Kemond Cesar is a new player that brings a lot of speed to the table and will get an opportunity to show what he has at the running back position. Finally, QB Mickey Montgomery has the speed and athletic ability to improvise when plays get down. Offensively, the Patriots will run spread, but depending on their personnel, they will lean towards if they have to run or throw the football more. Defensively, the team will utilize its speed in the 3-4 defense while their standout secondary will lock down the passing game.



Bowl Game Invites: CB Broderick Fowler Jr., TE Caleb Whitehead

This season, the CHEF Patriots will play 10 games this season headlined by home school programs like Northside Home School (Conroe, TX) and Acadiana Christian before taking on MAIS schools like Christian Collegiate Academy, Wayne Academy, Centerville Academy, and Amite School Center before Independent and National Championship play.



National Guard Veteran Timothy Puckett Brings Discipline, Strong Mentality To Delhi

By Jace LeJeune

The Delhi Bears will have a new head coach in 2025 and that is Timothy Puckett. Coach Puckett may be new in his role as the head coach, but he is familiar to the program serving the last four years. With 26 years in the National Guard, Puckett wants to pass those values he's learned to his football team.

"The biggest thing that I want to instill and try to make better is the discipline part. I've been 26 years in the National Guard so I want to bring not just a boot camp style, but just a strong mentality to do the right things at all times."

Doing a little bit of everything for this Delhi team will be Devin Miles. At 6'3, 180 pounds, he will play quarterback, wide receiver, cornerback, and will even kick for the team as well. Two time All-District selection Zion Hogan will tower over pretty much anybody he plays against at 6'7, 265 pounds and will play both sides at offensive tackle as well as defensive end. Like Hogan, Octavious Chalmers will play both ways at offensive tackle and also defensive end/linebacker. Chalmers has been one of the players that has bought in what Coach Puckett is preaching.

Two first year running back/linebackers in Terrence Williams and Amorian Simpkins have impressed the coaching staff during the offseason. Finally, WR/S Jatavius Hester is another weapon that will make plays in the Bears' up tempo offense. Defensively, the Bears will line up either in a 4-2-5 or a 3-3-5 base defense depending on the opponent.



The non-district slate will be tough as Delhi will have to take on Beekman Charter, Delhi Charter, Ouachita Christian, Southern Lab before taking on district foes Vidalia, Delta Charter, St. Frederick, Block, and General Trass.



Bowl Game Invites: OT/DE Zion Hogan, ATH Devin Miles, LB Octavious Chalmers

The Denham Springs Yellow Jackets' Heavy Senior Team Builds On Winning Season

The Denham Springs Yellow Jackets finished with a 6-5 overall record losing in the first round to West Ouachita. Entering his sixth year, Brett Beard is confident in his veteran team that returns a whopping 40 seniors on the roster.

One of those seniors will be at quarterback. Over the last few seasons, the Yellow Jackets have had stability at the quarterback position whether it has been Reese Mooney or Jerry Horne. Although the offense has to replace Horne, they do return another veteran in Da'Jean Golmond, who split some time with Horne and has experience. At 6'1, 200 pounds with 4.6/40 speed, Da'Jean has drawn some offers from Millsaps and Arkansas Monticello. Da'Jean has obvious chemistry with his number one target which happens to be his twin DaSean Golmond, who was a 1st Team All-Parish and 2nd Team All-District selection. Tanner Koerner, three year starter Brenton Paul, and Enzo Landry will rotate at running back. Receivers Breyton Hawkins, Brannon Seals, Jaylen Williams, and Live Oak TE transfer Hayden Ray will be other pass catching weapons in the offense. Coach Beard really likes his offensive line led by three year starter Christian Ferguson, who may be their best player. Bryson McCabe, Will Roberthson, Max Arce, and Angel Villagomez will fill out the rest of the starting five.

The defensive line has a chance to be one of the best Denham Springs has ever had led by DT Devin Cupit, DE Darryus Scott, and DE Devan Mack. LB Caden Allyn is not the biggest guy, but



his speed makes it tough to put a hand on him. Allyn, Cedric Polk, and Jackson Seguin make the linebacking core another strength. A question mark is the secondary, but Jady Washington has a chance to be one of the best cornerbacks in the state and Quentin Clay has been impressive at our Gridiron Football Elite Camps at either corner or safety. Jacob Deal and Lucas Gillen will fill out the rest of the secondary. Finally, Jonathan Bravo is back after making game winning field goals last season against Woodlawn and East Ascension.



Bowl Game Invites: RB Brenton Paul, WR DaSean Golmond, OL Christian Ferguson, QB/ATH Da'Jean Golmond, S Quentin Clay, TE Hayden Ray

DeRidder's Veteran Defense Sets The Pace For Dragons in 2025

Under the leadership of veteran head coach Brad Parmley, the DeRidder Dragons are eyeing another playoff season in 2025. The Dragons will have to replace three Gridiron Football All-Americans from last season in DB Jatari Harris, WR Uriah Wade, and LB Dylon Rhodes, but the team still does return quality leadership.

"We are excited about the year. We have about 12 seniors this year for 2025. It is not a big group, but it's a quality group. We are looking forward to starting the season."

The offense will be operating from the shotgun, but will be a heavy running team with 11 personnel. The quarterback position will be a competition between Connor Rushford and Michael Parmley. Rushford is a versatile piece on this Dragons offense as he can excel as not only a quarterback, but also can play running back, wide receiver, and is the team's punter as well. Rushford will be a part of a running game that will also include Reed Williams, who has been a consistent 1,000 yard rusher over his prep career, and Javaughn Fairley, who can make an impact as a running back and wide receiver. Fairley, Jayden Merriwether, and Ayren Woods will play major roles when the Dragons do decide to throw the football. All three are great athletes that can make things happen with the ball in their hands. John Lesaux, Ayden Stracener, Thomas Poczontek, Leonard Joubert, and TE Deacon Shirley will anchor the offensive line.

While the young offense continues to develop, the Dragons will lean on its veteran defense early



in the season with seven starters returning. The defensive line has a chance to be one of the best in the entire state with multiple top performers from the Gridiron Football Elite Camp Series this offseason including All-District selection Amari Willis, DT Ja'Ron Jackson, DE Paxton Romine, and DE Deacon Shirley. Hard hitter Grant Cooper will lead the linebacking room, and finally, Merriwether, Woods, Daniel Mazzyck, Zaden Scott, and Kamdyn Johnson will make up the secondary.

The DeRidder Dragons will start the non-district against the likes of South Beauregard, Many, Newton (TX), Westlake, and Jennings before transferring over to district play with Eunice, Leesville, LaGrange, Washington Marion, and Iowa.



Bowl Game Invites: DT Ja'Ron Jackson, DE Amari Willis, ATH Connor Rushford, LB/S Grant Cooper, DL Deacon Shirley



East Ascension Ready To Play Smashmouth Football Led By All-Star Coaching Staff

The East Ascension Spartans made a lot of headlines over the offseason as second-year head coach Brock Matherne hired two of the best high school head coaches in the state on his staff—former Cecilia head coach Dennis Skains and former Teurlings Catholic head coach Dane Charpentier. Coach Charpentier had a 65-32 overall record at Teurlings and is now the offensive coordinator, while new defensive coordinator Dennis Skains is coming off a state championship as the head coach at Cecilia, posting an impressive 71-39 overall record. With an all-star coaching cast, elite leadership, and a big, physical team, Spartans fans have every reason to be fired up and hopeful about the upcoming season.

The Spartans have always had a big, physical offensive line, and this year is no different. It's led by LSU commit Brysten Martinez, who at 6'7", 300 pounds, will line up at tight end—making it an absolute nightmare for opposing defenses to match up against him or try to bring him down. This fearless and imposing presence brings a new level of intimidation. Austin Mumfrey, Jayden Berteau, Alkira Anderson, Carson Lacombe, Devin Oalman, and Jhaiwon Johnson form one of the biggest, strongest offensive lines in the state.

1st Team All-District and All-Parish RB Jason Blackburn Jr. is poised for a massive senior season. After clocking a 4.4/40 at Gridiron Football's Elite Camp, he's set to be a dynamic



difference-maker in both the backfield and return game. The Spartans will be a tough, relentless, ground-and-pound team. But with Hudson Browning returning at quarterback, the passing game won't be left behind. He has dependable targets like Joseph Gautreau—a sure-handed receiver who runs crisp routes and can move the chains in clutch moments.

Defensively, the Spartans shine with a fast, aggressive, and athletic secondary led by playmakers Javion Javius, Donjell Smith, and Rishon Taylor. The linebacking corps is equally stout, with returning All-District standout Tony Miles and the ever-reliable Carson Landry anchoring the defensive front.

With this kind of coaching, talent, and team chemistry, East Ascension is not just preparing to compete—they're preparing to dominate. Expect fireworks, grit, and a championship mindset every single Friday night.

Bowl Game Invites: RB Jason Blackburn Jr., WR Joseph Gautreau, DB Javion Javius, CB Jonjell Smith, OL Brysten Martinez



Athletic East Feliciana Focused On Overcoming .500 Hurdle To Reach Their Goals

The East Feliciana Tigers have always been talented, producing talent like Kendell Beckwith and Trey'Dez Green. Entering the 2025 season, the Tigers will be talented once again led by head coach Darius Matthews, who is entering his sixth season as East Feliciana's head coach. The Tigers have been a consistent playoff team under Matthews' leadership and they are looking to take the next step as Superdome contenders. Last season, East Feliciana finished with a 6-6 overall record including a playoff win over Homer, but it still was not up to their standards according to offensive coordinator Coach Ceaser.

"Most of the years, we finish over .500 or right at .500. We finished 6-6 last season, but my guys still consider it a losing season because our main goal is to play in New Orleans in the Superdome. We just have been focusing on making sure we don't have another season like that. The guys have been working hard and giving max effort. We arranged the discipline aspect of it and not having the unnecessary penalties taking the momentum from us."

The Tigers return veteran Markus Cannon, who enters his third season as the starting quarterback. Since starting as a freshman, Cannon has improved in his leadership and has the athletic ability to beat defenses with his arm and legs. Offensively, Coach Ceaser wants to push the ball downfield vertically to help establish the running game and there may not be a more explosive playmaker in the district than Ryan Moore. Moore has the ability to take any score to the house as a

running back, wide receiver, or even as a return specialist. Like Cannon, Moore is another offensive skill guy that has started since his freshman year.

Playing 2A football, the Tigers' skill position players will not only make an impact on offense, but on defense too. Makyle Cannon has a chance to be the next special player to come through the school after having an impact as a freshman last season. At 6'1, 205 pounds, Cannon will go both ways at running back and linebacker. Other key two way skill guys that the coaching staff likes are WR/CB Desmond Green, RB/S Dontrell Armstead, WR/CB E'Rondic Goss, RB/LB Alanthony Gibbs, RB/LB Matthew King, WR/S Keshawn Toney, and TE/DE Jayvon Jackson.

All-District selection Kayden Wilson is going to set the tone as a physical and vocal leader no matter if it is rushing the passer at defensive end/linebacker or even making plays as a fullback or linebacker. At 6'2, 235 pounds, Wilson is expected to have a big time senior season. The offensive line will be rebuilding after graduating its starters from last season. Defensively, the Tigers will be athletic and fast at all levels of the defense with the same skill guys also starting on the defensive side of the football, especially Wilson, Markus Cannon, who will be playing safety, Armstead, Goss, and Makyle Cannon.



The East Feliciana Tigers will take on Kentwood, St. Helena, Albany, Episcopal, Capitol, Slaughter Charter, Donaldsonville, Dunham, Baker, and Northeast.

Bowl Game Invites: LB/DE Kayden Wilson



East Iberville Tigers Try To Build On First Playoff Appearance In Three Seasons

The East Iberville Tigers are starting to retain the momentum that was started by Ron LeJeune when he guided the Tigers to three straight playoff winning seasons including the school's first quarterfinal finish in 2019. After a semifinal finish under Justin Joseph in 2020, the Tigers were trying to get back to that success after missing the playoffs the following three seasons. First year head coach Peter Villia was able to break the dry spell by leading the Tigers back to the playoffs after a 4-7 campaign.

"2024 was a good year with it being my first year as a head coach. I had the opportunity to learn the community, the kids, and all of the intangibles of being a head coach. We had a great year making the playoffs for the first time in three years, which is great. We have a lot of promise heading into the school year."

The Tigers' offense will have to replace the 1-2 punch of Brooks and Dunn not to be confused with the famous country music band. Both running backs in Ashontis Brooks (Louisiana Christian) and Gridiron Football All-American Theo Dunn (Centenary College) signed to play college football. Coach Villia wants to run more of a multiple offense, but the identity is to still run the football and establish the running game. There is an open quarterback competition as of now between Khaliel Davis and AJ Wilson. No matter who ends up on top in the quarterback race, both players will have a big impact. Davis, who did not play last year, has a lot of upside as an athlete and will play wide receiver when not at quarterback.



The same thing can be said for Wilson, who has been showing a lot of leadership and will also play wide receiver when not at quarterback.

Isaiah Johnson will be a two way starter as a wide receiver on offense and an outside linebacker on defense. Johnson will have a big role offensively as he will line up in multiple different ways. Up front, three year starter Johnathan Daniels returns as the team's best lineman. Daniels is a great locker room leader, has a strong work ethic, and will play both ways. Gabriel Johnson may have the most upside on the football team as he is a versatile player that can do multiple different things whether it is playing on the offensive line or even getting some carries at fullback. Johnson is also the team's best defensive player coming back at linebacker.

Greg Gathers returns for his second season as the defensive coordinator. The Tigers will run a base 4-2-5 defense and even may go to a 3-4 based on the situation. This season, the East Iberville Tigers will take on Helix Mentorship Academy, Capitol, Northeast, Donaldsonville, West St. John, White Castle, St. John, and North Iberville.

Bowl Game Invites: OL/DL Johnathan Daniels, LB Gabriel Johnson



Aaron Butler Gets Opportunity To Rebuild Ellender's Football Program

Aaron Butler has been a longtime assistant coach for 18 years and now, he will get his first opportunity to lead a high school program at Ellender Memorial High School. As a former Cincinnati player, Butler has picked up many details from some great coaches including Mike Tomlin and Jimbo Fisher to help instill confidence in a struggling football program. The Ellender Patriots have only reached the postseason three times over the last 10 years and are coming off a 2-8 record. With coaching stops at East St. John, Terrebonne, and even Ellender, Coach Butler is ready to rebuild the culture.

"We are going to be a hard working football team. It is going to be a disciplined football team and we are just going to go out there and just give the fans what they want. We are going to be a hard nosed football team that is going to be in tough games and just grind it out."

Coach Butler is trying to increase the program's numbers and get more guys out for football. Because of the lack of numbers, the offense will try to dictate the tempo and control the clock. There will be a quarterback competition starting out between Travonta Allridge and Kerrian Mosley. Both players are over 6'4 in height and will contribute as wide receivers if not at quarterback. As usual, the Patriots will have a lot of talent at the skill positions. RB Kovante Howard will lead the backfield, but also has the versatility and the hands to line up as a pass catcher. Travon James is a phenomenal wide receiver that is a 6'8 high jumper and can go get 50/50 balls. At 6'3, 180 pounds, James is also a really good route runner.

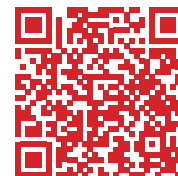


WR/CB Chandler Hartman, WR/CB Kameron Jackson, WR Ladainian Perna, who has been to some Gridiron Football Elite Camps this offseason, and WR Charcolby Donaldson are all skill position players that can make stuff happen.

Defensively, Omari Butler is arguably the team's best player. At 6'1, 315 pounds, Butler is a dominant force that will anchor the Patriots' defense. Butler and DE Deonta Coler form a good tandem on the defensive line. Coler is a second year starter that is quick, strong, athletic, and can be a dominant player. There is also Jeremiah Van Buren, who may be undersized as a defensive lineman, but is a tough guy to block. The Patriots' leading tackler Xavier Rodrigue returns after

having 63 stops last season. The secondary is inexperienced, but will be competitive and ready for the upcoming season.

Speaking of the upcoming season, the Ellender Patriots will play against Livingston Collegiate, Terrebonne, Houma Christian, E.D. White, South Terrebonne, Assumption, Vanderbilt Catholic, Lutchter, South Lafourche, and Morgan City.



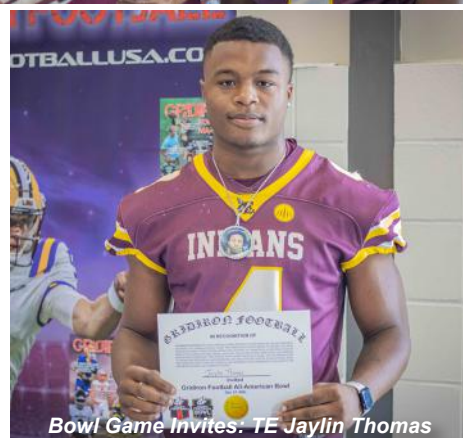
The Elton Indians Expect More Of The Same After Turnaround Season

Just five years ago, Elton head coach Marcus Lejeune finished his first year going winless on the season. Now, fast forward to 2025, there is now a lot of excitement around the Indians program after winning eight games and winning their first playoff game in front of their home fans. Assistant coach Jacques Jobert has been impressed with the turnaround and the renewed energy now instilled into the program.

"Coach Lejeune took over this program five years ago. He went 0-10 his first year. He won a couple of games his second year, six games his third year, and last year, we went 8-4 and made the second round of the playoffs. We actually won a playoff game at home which hasn't been done in a while. He has done an outstanding job. I can't compliment him enough."

The Indians expect more of the same in 2025 with most of those contributors from their breakout season coming back. Only losing four total seniors, Elton will have 10 seniors returning. Offensively, the Indians know exactly what their identity is, and that is ground and pound. Their bellcow is none other than star junior running back Make-lin Lemoine. The 5'10, 200 pound running back is coming off a huge sophomore campaign in which he accounted for over 1,600 all-purpose yards. Also doubling as a safety, Lemoine is having a great offseason, especially after being named as a Gridiron Football Elite Camp Top Performer at Louisiana Christian University. He is expected to have even more production after graduating fellow 1,000 yard rusher Tristan Leblanc.

4 of the 5 starters on an offensive line that paved away for a rushing attack that averaged close to 400 rushing yards per game return anchored by sophomore center Aaron Gobert, who will also man the defensive line. Lemoine is not the only Gridiron Football Elite Camp standout from this offseason as TE/DE Jaylin Thomas also returns. Whether it is blocking, catching passes, or rushing the passer, Thomas is a hard nosed player that will lead the team. The offense also returns their signal caller from last season in Davin Simon, who will be entering his third season as the starter. Other rising seniors like WR/DB Derek Ross and FB/DE Keilan Crosby will be key contributors in order for the Indians to repeat and even improve their efforts in 2025.



The Episcopal Knights Look To Hurdle Quarterfinal Hump With Young Team

Year in and year out, the Episcopal Knights have shown to be one of the most consistent programs under the leadership of longtime head coach Travis Bourgeois. For 30 years, Coach Bourgeois has led the program to a 185-93 overall record including a very impressive eight straight Quarterfinal appearance streak. After a 9-3 finish last season, the Knights will have one of their youngest teams yet graduating 19 seniors in all. Despite only having a couple of returning starters from last year's team, the consistency and the standard of this Episcopal Knights team still has Coach Bourgeois excited about the 2025 season.

"That was our eighth straight year of making it to the Quarterfinals, but it is also eight years of losing in the Quarterfinals as well. We are trying to get over that hump and that is always the team's goal, which is to play and practice during Thanksgiving and see where it takes you. We lost 19 seniors from last year's team. For a 2A school, that is really a lot, but the good thing is it's all about competition. These guys know day in and day out that they are going to compete because I don't have any projected starters."

Episcopal has always had talent at the running back position, especially since their last two workhorses have been Gridiron Football All-Americans in Braeden George (Navy) and Reid Chauvin (LSU). This year, the Knights' trademark Wing T offense will have two new running backs in the fold. One of them is the Knights' most talented athlete and that is Gridiron Football Elite Camp

Top Performer Taj Callahan. After starting the last three years at linebacker/safety, Callahan will make the transition to running back. The 6'0, 180 pound 1st Team All-District selection has 4.5 speed and received offers from Temple and Lamar. Chandler Amacker will also make the transition from offense to defense as the Knights' linebacker will be making the move to fullback. The Knights do return Zack Hu for his third year as the starting quarterback. Hu's athleticism, strong arm, and leadership should take a big step forward for his senior year. He will have an experienced offensive line protecting him with four returning starters coming back on the offensive line led by Will Garrett, Jacob Duval, Oliver Grigsby, and Drew Freel. Malcolm Juban and Jackson Young will be the next guys up at wide receiver.

Defensive coordinator Charlie O'Brien is going to have a brand new group as the entire defense graduated. The Knights will have to replace two Gridiron Football All-Americans on that side of the ball in DB Nathan Sanchez and the second leading tackler in program history in All-State selection Chase Cresson (Morehead State), who finished with 362 career tackles. Running backs



Taj Callahan and Chandler Amacker have experience and may play both ways from time to time. LB Carter Hernandez has won the Scout Team Award the last three years and will get his opportunity. Guys like DL Demetrick Johnson, DB Kyrion Bernard, DB Henry Kucharchuk, and some of the starting linemen are all guys that have played on that side of the football before, but there is a lot of competition for starting spots on defense. Special teams will also have a new kicker and punter.

The Episcopal Knights will take on St. Michael, Northlake Christian, East Feliciana, Ascension Catholic, Baker, Slaughter Charter, Northeast, Dunham, and Capitol this season.

Bowl Game Invites: ATH Taj Callahan, C Will Garrett

Erath's Experience in Close Victories Gets Bobcats Excited About Upcoming Season

The Erath Bobcats had one of their best seasons in recent memory finishing with an 8-2 overall record including an undefeated district championship. What was most impressive about the Bobcats' breakout season is that 7 of the team's 8 victories were decided by seven points or less. After winning two games in 2023, the Bobcats made a huge step by improving their win total to eight. Entering his eighth year as a head coach, Eric LeBlanc believes that the 2025 Erath football team can be one of the very best that he has coached.

"The kids we brought today were the same kids that were starting last year. They are kids that are captains for us now and everything that they brought last year is the same thing that they have brought to us this summer. I am looking for a great year."

A big reason why the Bobcats have high aspirations for the season is that they return their signal caller in Jack Landry for the third year in a row. The 6'3, 200 pound quarterback is in total command of the offense and has a great rapport with his wide receivers. Running the Bobcats spread offense, the District MVP quarterback led the Bobcats to a district championship last season while also earning 1st Team All-District and All-State honors. With one of the state's top quarterbacks leading the way, the Bobcats' offense can be very dangerous.

Landry's top wide receiving target is Talen Landry. The two have shown great chemistry with each other. Jahllil Charles and Aiden Bourque will



split carries at running back as both players will also contribute defensively with Charles playing linebacker and Bourque playing safety. On the offensive line, Kaiden Viator, Cohen Benoit, Jayden Bagley, and Lane Goutierrez all return.

After having one of their best seasons ever, the defense will also become a bright spot after returning a lot of productivity from last season. S Landon Lemaire returns as a three year starter and commands the back end of the defense. Bourque and Charles will start both ways at their positions. Kaiden Viator will also play both ways as he will be a starter on the defensive line. Cade Francis is another safety that will be a part of a strong defensive backfield.

The Erath Bobcats will start the season by trying to get revenge on Loreauville, which is a team that eliminated the Bobcats in the second round of the playoffs last season. They will then take on

North Vermilion, Eunice, Vermilion Catholic, Westlake, DeQuincy, Berwick before trying to repeat their district title against St. Martinville, Kaplan, and Abbeville.



Bowl Game Invites: QB Jack Landry

The Ferriday Trojans Have Unfinished Business After Breakthrough Season

The Ferriday Trojans had a breakout season in 2024 improving from their five win total in 2023 to a very impressive 8-4 campaign last season. Although it was a positive step forward in the right direction, the Trojans are trying to get the bad taste of their mouth as the team had to forfeit their second round matchup against Welsh because of a fight that occurred after the game. For OC Devante Scott, they are moving past what happened last year and focused on helping the Trojans reach the Superdome for the first time since 2019.

The talent is there for the Ferriday Trojans to be a dark horse contender for a state championship this fall. Offensively, the Trojans have two Southland Conference commits at wide receiver in Paityn Collins (McNeese State) and Desmen Jefferson (Southeastern). Collins is the team's version of Travis Hunter as he can take over a game at both wide receiver and defensive back. Meanwhile, Jefferson is one of the best playmakers in North Louisiana as a three time All-District selection.

Two talented former Gridiron Football Junior High All-Americans will lead the offensive backfield for the Trojans in QB Jase Harris and RB Zyion Alexander. The Trojans will have to replace two offensive linemen up front, but will return three starters. How that group comes together will make a big difference on how this offense performs.

The defense is also not afraid to take some of the load as the Trojans have to replace one starter



on that side of the ball. 1st Team All-District selection Marvin Davis leads the defensive line after having 94 tackles and eight sacks last season. LB Marion Smith returns after making 2nd Team All-District and brings physicality to the middle of the defense. At 6'2, 190 pounds, Jaden Turner is another linebacker that will complement Smith and do a lot of things for the defense. Finally, 2nd Team All-District DB Andrew Foster headlines a talented secondary after leading the team in interceptions the last two seasons.

Part of a loaded district that includes powers Oak Grove, Ouachita Christian, and Mangham, Ferriday wants to enter themselves in the conversation of being amongst the elite.



Bowl Game Invites: WR Desmen Jefferson, WR/DB Paityn Collins, DE Marvin Davis



Franklin Parish's Experienced, Talented Roster Has Patriots Eying A Championship in 2025

The Franklin Parish Patriots are one of the favorites to compete for a state championship in Division II Non-Select. Last year, the Patriots had a breakthrough season finishing with a 10-2 overall record including an undefeated district championship and a Quarterfinal appearance. With a lot of returning pieces coming back, Head Coach Adrian Burnette truly believes that this team could do special things in 2025.

"I've been fortunate enough to be around some successful teams. From where we were as a program, these guys changed everything around so I am very anxious to see how far we can go on the back of these guys."

One guy that will help carry the Patriots to where they want to go is QB and LSU commit Dezyrian Ellis. As a 1st Team All-State QB and District MVP, Pook threw for 2,189 yards and 31 touchdowns while rushing for another 827 yards and 10 touchdowns on the ground. The 6'3, 180 pound dual threat is one of the top playmakers in the state. His top receiving target is three year starter Malique Credit, who is explosive with the ball in his hands. Despite having to replace a 1,000 yard receiver in Chauncey White, Credit will lead a talented core of receivers including Kaiden Seals, Cameron Easterland, Tecorion Spears, Kaaron Jones, Jameson Wiggers, and Matt Thomas.

On the ground, Coach Burnette says that the combination of Trey Martin and DJ Neal makes up one of the best running back rooms he has



seen in years. Opening the holes will be veteran offensive lineman Hunter Caldwell. Derrick Martin, Gerren Marzell, Frederick Brown, and Tucker Jones will round out the rest of the front five.

Defensively, the Patriots may have the best defensive front in the state led by All-State defensive end and Michigan State commit Chris Addison. At 6'3, 250 pounds, he finished last season with 63 tackles, 16.0 tackles for loss, and 8.5 sacks. On the side of him, there is also Texas State commit Tavon Bell, who is a four year starter at 6'3, 265 pounds. CJ Jones, Joshua Johnson, Daylon Credit, and Malachi Grant make it a deep front. Finally, the defensive secondary features four year starter Avery Johnson, who can not only change the game in the backend, but is also a dynamic return specialist.

Overall, this Franklin Parish Patriots team has the talent and experience that it takes to make a run at the Superdome.



Bowl Game Invites: QB/ATH Dezyrian Ellis, OL Hunter Caldwell, WR Malique Credit, DB Avery Johnson, DE Chris Addison, DT Tavon Bell

The Franklinton Demons Have Unfinished Business After Remarkable Turnaround Season

The Franklinton Demons had one of the most impressive season turnarounds that you will ever see. Head Coach Nick Saltaformaggio went 3-7 his first season at Franklinton to a magical turnaround in 2024. Last season, the Demons went 12-2, finished as undefeated district champions, the number one seed in the Division II Non-Select playoffs, and went all the way to the Superdome. Franklinton came up just a couple of plays short of their first state championship since 2010 losing a nailbiter to Cecilia by a final score of 35-32. For veteran head coach Nick Saltaformaggio, this is not unfamiliar territory as he has taken three different teams including East Jefferson, Hahnville, and Franklinton to the state championship game. After a special season in 2024, Coach Saltaformaggio believes that the Demons could be even better in 2025.

"I am enjoying the fact that people expect us to be very good because our players know that people expect us to be good. It's nice when people tell you that it won't be a shock to see you in the Superdome. We have all the ingredients and a really good team coming back. We are more talented this year than we were last year."

To be a state championship contender, you must have a great quarterback stirring those ingredients that Coach Saltaformaggio talked about and the Demons have one of the best in the entire state in Jacob Crain. Crain had a prolific junior season leading the Demons to a state runner-up finish completing 68% of his passes for 2,476 yards and 24 touchdowns to just 4 inter-



ceptions while also adding nine touchdowns on the ground. Crain and WR Damikies McClain have a special connection with each other as McClain returns after having 59 catches for 938 yards and nine touchdowns. TE Dalton Freeman is another weapon in the passing game that the Demons will utilize. The biggest question mark offensively is trying to replace four offensive linemen including Gridiron Football All-American tackle Beau Webb and workhorse running back Sy Austin, who accounted for over 2,000 yards and 30 touchdowns last season. Nobody can replace Austin's production with just one player so guys like Rayden Rayborn and Ricardo Burris will do so by committee. David Moore is the Demons' one returning starter up front so Elijah Blackwell, Holden Galloway, Devin Harris, and Luke Wright will have to step up to make it a complete offense.

Coach Saltaformaggio is high on the defense as he believes this is the best defense he has been around since the 2013 East Jefferson state championship defense. There is a standout player at each level. On the defensive line, Sam Braddy returns and is one of the strongest players that you will find in the state. Christon Ellis also returns as a starter at defensive end and Caleb Garrett has high upside as only a freshman at the other end spot. At linebacker, Tyler Magee is the team's most talented defensive player while seniors Rajon Covington and Marshawn Wilson lead the core. The two cornerbacks Chakyn McClain and O'Sean Warren are excellent while the three safeties are also experienced in Taylor McCray, Kaleb Causey, and Cole Stewart.

Bowl Game Invites: QB Jacob Crain, WR Damikies McClain, OL David Moore

Glen Oaks Alum Anthony Jones Tries To Bring Panthers Back To Glory Days

Glen Oaks head coach Anthony Jones has been used to success whether it was playing back in the heyday for legendary Glen Oaks head coach Nolan Gill or being a part of a state championship Madison Prep coaching staff. Entering year three at his alma mater, Coach Jones feels that the program is on the verge of breaking through after back to back 3-7 seasons. Lack of depth last season plagued the Panthers as their record could have easily been 5-5 or better, but lost out in some close games. Because of that, the Panthers are hungry to return back to the playoffs knowing it was right there for the taking last year.

The Panthers will have a new quarterback this season in Jyrus Reado, who gives this offense a different dimension with his ability to throw the football. Trayvion Whitehead is arguably the most athletic player on the team and Coach Jones feels that the sky is the limit after Grambling has shown some interest in him. Whitehead will play running back, linebacker, and even some strong safety. Jeremiah Smith has great bloodlines as he is the younger brother of former Madison Prep star and current University of Houston QB Zeon Chriss. Smith made All-District last season and will play wide receiver and cornerback for the team after playing out of position at linebacker last season. Zeon's other younger brother Cardareious Jackson will play some running back, slot wing, defensive back, and even some punt returner.



On the offensive line, Preston Bell has the most upside on the team as he has already received an offer from Kentucky State with his 6'4, 285 pound frame. Defensively, the team's best player is Alijah Banks, who made 1st Team All-District last year on the edge and is making the transition to middle linebacker this year. Three year starter Enrique Lopez will make a good pair with Banks at 6'3, 240 pounds. The linebacking room will be young this year with a lot of freshmen playing and the secondary is full of guys that will be playing both ways.



Bowl Game Invites: LB Alijah Banks

Greg Tibbitt Makes His Return As Glenbrook's Head Coach

Glenbrook High School will bring back a familiar face as its head football coach with Greg Tibbitt returning for his second tenure. Coach Tibbitt led the Apaches as their head coach in 2012 and 2013 where he posted a successful 15-9 record including a MAIS semifinal run in 2013. After a productive tenure at Green Forest High School (AR), the former Apaches leading man is excited to lead the program to new success now in the LHSAA.

"It's exciting to be back. It's a little different from before because we were in the MAIS. Being back in the LHSAA was very appealing. We are excited to be going there."

Offensively, the Apaches spent a lot of time in the offseason installing the run in shoot offensive attack. Coach Tibbitt is bringing an exciting brand of football to the program with Ryan Reagan leading the way at quarterback. His top receiver will be sophomore wideout Daron Hollingsworth, who started as a freshman. Although young on the offensive line, Franklin Bridwell and Nolan Still are great leaders up front. They will also get some help with three year starting tight end Gage White and two way starter TE/LB Slade Lollar.

Defensively will be much similar from a schematic standpoint from previous years and will be led by linebacker Hudson Glasscock. Overall, this is a young football team that is 1/2 made up of freshmen and sophomores.

After a 6-4 playoff season a year ago, Coach Tibbitt is looking to help take the Apaches to the next step and along the way bring an exciting brand of football to the city of Minden.. This season, the Apaches will play Magnolia School, Bossier, Ringgold, Cedar Creek, Plain Dealing, Arcadia, Lincoln Prep, Jonesboro Hodge, and Haynesville.



Coach Greg Tibbitt's return to Glenbrook High School ushers in a new era of excitement, tradition, and promise. With a dynamic offensive scheme, strong team leadership, and a foundation of talented underclassmen, the Apaches are poised to take the next step under his guidance. As the program embraces its LHSAA chapter, the community of Minden can expect a competitive, high-energy brand of football that builds on the past while forging a bold and successful future.



Bowl Game Invites: TE Gage White

The Grant Cougars Want Continued Growth in Year Three Under Jarvous Felton

The Grant Cougars are picking up some steam and momentum after back to back playoff seasons under head coach Jarvous Felton. The former Grant defensive coordinator is trying to get the Cougars their second winning season since 2004. After graduating four Gridiron Football All-Americans last season that have all signed to play at Louisiana Christian University, interest is also starting to grow in the program.

"We are very excited. We have the most support we have had in a while. It's a good thing that we are having, but we are growing as a program. It's exciting to see little kids come up to you and notice who you are and the players because they are the future. That was one of the main goals that we wanted to instill at Grant High School and that is adapting to that culture."

Offensively, there is a quarterback battle between Myles Futrell and Gage Hossieni. Both quarterbacks have had great offseasons. No matter who is under center, Futrell will still have a big impact on the team as a wide receiver and as a safety. At running back, 2nd Team All-District selection Aymaud Sykes is a speedster with 4.4/40 speed that has received an offer to play at Grambling.

Opening up holes for him is an experienced offensive line that has every starter returning led by All-District selection Madden Blalock. Caleb Firment, Dionte Pennington, Owen Stokes, and Bently Sibley also return.

Keith McKinney, who is the younger brother of 2024 Gridiron Football All-American Isaiah McKinney, leads a talented wide receiver that includes



Futrell, Shawn Williams, and versatile WR/TE Jaiden Moore, who is on a lot of college coaches' radars.

Defensively, the Cougars have to replace some key players, but they also return some players on that side of the ball. Blalock will start at nose tackle. DE Jake Glass looks the part of a big time defensive end at 6'5, 250 pounds while Caden Zahn will be on the opposite side. In the 3-4 defense, Matthew Cooper makes the transition to inside linebacker after a breakout freshman year. Braedon Slohn, Culen Carbo, and Bryson Barton

round up the rest of the linebacking core. Finally, Kendrick Brown alongside two way players McKinney, Williams, and Futrell make up the defensive backfield.

The Cougars will play against Montgomery, Buckeye, D'Arbonne Woods, Vidalia, Bolton, Peabody, Wossman, Franklin Parish, Tioga, and West Ouachita.



Bowl Game Invites: DE Jake Glass, ATH Jaiden Moore, ATH Myles Futrell, OL Madden Blalock

Hamilton Christian is All-In For Another Big Year Led By Do It All Star Javon Vital

The Hamilton Christian Warriors took a big step forward last season in what was a season to remember. After a 4-7 season in 2023, the Warriors had a breakout season by finishing 9-3 and winning their first outright district championship in a long time. Head Coach Dexter Washington recently led the Warriors basketball program to their first ever state championship this year and now, he is trying to do the same thing with a talented football team in 2025.

"The fans are going to be excited about what we did last year. We are rebuilding in the interior line and are focused on offensive line play. You get excited because you have Javon Vital on the field and he can make everything around him better. We also have a lot of other weapons too."

A huge reason for the Warriors' undefeated district championship was the play of their star quarterback and one of the best players in the state of Louisiana in Javon Vital. Going into his junior season, Vital has already received an offer from the LSU Tigers. Whether it is at quarterback, running back, wide receiver, kick returner, defensive back, Vital can change a game any given play with his 4.4/40 speed. Last season, he led the Warriors to a district championship with 3,035 total yards and 46 total touchdowns. To truly show how great of an athlete he is, Coach Washington has compared the Warriors do everything star to other Louisiana legends like Devery Henderson and Kevin Faulk.

While Vital is the headliner, the Warriors have other dynamic weapons. His go-to wide receiver



is Chris Rideau. At 5'11, 175 pounds, Rideau was part of the Warriors' state championship basketball team and has evolved to being a great receiver too. Last season, the All-State Honorable Mention finished with 10 touchdown catches and is only getting better after receiving a Grambling offer this offseason. The Vital/Rideau connection will make plenty of more plays this season, but other skill players like WR/DB Kaleb Bigwood, WR/DB Jayden Jasmin, WR/CB Justin Weston, WR/CB Noah Menard, RB Kevin Lewis, and WR/CB Kelby McMahon will play a role too.

Caleb Steward is a perfect example of a guy that does everything for a 1A football team with not a lot of numbers. Entering the program originally as a kicker, the team's Ironman Award recipient has evolved to playing different positions for the team including left guard and strong safety.

The key for this year's Hamilton Christian team is the development of their linemen. The numbers have increased to 13 players, but how they continue to improve will be vital in order for the Warriors to contend for a state championship.



Bowl Game Invites: S Caleb Steward

The Hammond Tornadoes Are Building Depth, Consistency After Winning Season

Entering his fifth year as the head coach, Dorsett Buckels has transformed the Hammond High program from being a bottom dweller to a winning program. After a 6-5 campaign a season ago, the former Amite Warrior and LSU Tiger is continuing to build the depth and consistency needed in order to elevate the program.

Terin Jones returns for his third year as the starting quarterback and he has the ability to extend plays that are not there with his arm and his legs. The Tornadoes also have one of the best running backs in the area in Zalen Bennett, who ran for 1,400 yards and 15 touchdowns last season. The Tornadoes will rely on Bennett and fellow running back Quadrez Louis a lot, but they can also throw the football with talented receivers Reginald Monroe, Israel Luckett, and 6'4 wideout Tyler Landry. Up front, Jermaine Brumfield and Gerard Lloyd return to lead the offensive line.

One of the most active pass rushers in the area returns in DE Elontae Beauchamp, who had 60 tackles, 23 TFLs, and 16 sacks last season. After a dominant outing in the spring game against Franklinton, he has a chance to even better those numbers this season. Johnathan Jackson is also tough to block at the other defensive end spot. Gridiron Football Elite Camp Top Performer Solar Tynes was nearly unblockable at our John Curtis



camp and could be one of the guys to watch out for in the 2028 class. He and Damarcus Servick will handle the interior of the defensive line. Trion Wise will be making the switch from running back to linebacker. Kevin Tuguta and Aydan Self both return as starters at linebacker. In the secondary, Vince Delaney, Javion Thomas, Nathaniel Webber, and Amell Gardner round up a very speedy defense.

Bowl Game Invites: RB Zalen Bennett, DB Vince Delaney, LB Trion Wise



Haynes Academy Football Gears Up for 2025 Under Coach P.J. Sprunk

Haynes Academy for Advanced Studies—a respected magnet school in Metairie noted for its academic excellence, is entering its most exciting football chapter yet. Under the new leadership of Head Coach P.J. Sprunk, the Yellow Jackets are poised to build on last year's breakthrough while forging a deeper, sustainable culture of success.

After achieving an unblemished 9-0 regular season in 2024, capped by a deep run into the Division II Select playoffs, the program quickly pivoted following the departure of former head coach Ben Powell. Enter Coach Sprunk, who steps in with a proven track record. His previous success at Kenner Discovery, where he amassed 29 wins over six seasons, including a 7-3 campaign in 2022, makes him an ideal fit to continue the Yellow Jackets' rising trajectory.

"It's been amazing at Haynes thus far... Our parental support is superb." — Coach P.J. Sprunk

Sprunk inherits a solid foundation, returning 17 starters, including eight on offense. Key returnees include QB Trent Helwig, a three-year starter with leadership and arm talent, and RB Brady Cribby, a downhill runner with over 500 yards in 2024. The receiving corps returns threats like Gabriel Estevez and Sebastian Gonzales, while tight end Farris Esiahi and three offensive line starters bring experience and stability.

Defensively, the Yellow Jackets return nine starters, highlighted by a formidable defensive line featuring Matthew Bonura, Sam Adams, Matthew Speyer, and Timmy Cagle. Linebacker Carter Sternberger anchors the second level, and

the secondary returns experienced coverage men in cornerbacks Graham Boudreaux and William Martz, plus safeties Zach Pountner and Hudson Walker.

Coach Sprunk emphasizes continuity, tweaking schemes rather than reinventing the wheel. "We don't want to change everything," he notes. "We have incorporated what worked previously with what we want to do," and players have responded positively. Core to this culture shift is player-led leadership and accountability, cornerstones of the program's identity.

"They hold each other accountable. We've shown we are a physical team with some quickness."

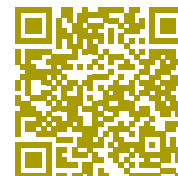
Haynes opens a marquee matchup against Country Day and their former coach, Powell. From there, the Yellow Jackets face a gritty stretch of road tests, including Riverdale (Class 5A) and district rivals like St. John, Springfield, Ben Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, and Fisher, before wrapping with homestand games. "Every team on our schedule has gotten better," Sprunk observes.

With returning talent, cohesive leadership, and renewed energy, Haynes Academy under Coach P.J. Sprunk is set for a season of promise. The Yellow Jackets' formula, a blend of culture, conti



Bowl Invite: Zach Poynter

nity, and competition, positions them as a compelling force in the LHSA.



The Jennings Bulldogs Look To Carve Their Own Legacy After District Championship Season

The Jennings Bulldogs are coming off a great season in year two of the Bret Fuselier era by winning eight games and a district championship in 3-3A. 2024 was a great season for the Bulldogs, but now, the expectation is to take the next step and compete for state championships. It was the past two Division II Non-Select State Champions in Cecilia and Opelousas that ended the Bulldogs chances the previous two seasons. Now, Coach Fuselier is looking to end his season in a similar fashion that the last two state champions did.

"You can look forward to us building off the success from the last couple of years. Jennings has traditionally been a great program and is one of the most storied programs in the state of Louisiana. We are just trying to add to that legacy our own way here."

Coach Fuselier is used to building championship programs as previously, he led the Kinder Yellow Jackets to a 91-41 overall record including two state championships. Although the Bulldogs will have to replace Gridiron Football All-American running back Re'John Zeno, the offense will have a three headed monster in their backfield led by QB Chris Ned, who started as a sophomore last season. Last season, Ned showed what kind of threat he was as a dual threat quarterback accounting for 2,054 yards and 36 total touchdowns. He built on that early success with a great performance at a Gridiron Football Elite Camp where he ran a 4.53/40. Liam Leblanc will be the new starter at running back after getting a lot of



carries last season. Leblanc has gotten bigger, stronger, and is expected to have a breakthrough season. Then, there is fullback Marquel Jordan, who will be part of that dynamic trio.

Along with the backs, there are some dynamic wide receivers including three year starters Gerald Watson and Chris Ned's brother Humphrey Ned. Like Chris Ned, Watson had one of the fastest 40's during the camp series with a 4.47/40. The offensive line is young, returning only one starter in Ayden Leger.

Defensively, Nate Broussard will sure up the defensive line after a breakout junior season. After also having a great showing at a Gridiron Football Elite Camp, Broussard is expected to be a leader on that side of the football. Key playmakers like Chris Ned, Humphrey Ned, and Gerald Watson will also make plenty of highlight reels on the defensive side of the football making up an athletic group.

The Jennings Bulldogs will start the season with a huge game against fellow Southwest Louisiana power Iowa while opening up a new stadium to help spark what should be an exciting season in 2025.



Bowl Game Invites: DL Nate Broussard. WR Gerald Watson. S Humphrey Ned



The Jewel Sumner Cowboys Are Darkhorse State Championship Contenders After Best Season In Program History

The Jewel Sumner Cowboys are certainly one of the favorites in Division III Select to compete for a state championship in 2025 and that is because of the great season the team had in 2024. Last season will certainly go down in the history books for the Cowboys as it was the first 10 win season in program history and it was also the third time the program made the Quarterfinals. Last year's district champions came just a few plays short of reaching the semifinal game losing a 14-12 nailbiter to Bunkie. Head Coach Ross Currier is one of the most underrated head coaches in the state entering his 11th year leading the program. With a lot of key players coming back in 2025, offensive coordinator Zach Kellem believes that this season will be just as entertaining for Cowboys fans.

Cowboy fans are certainly excited to see one of the best 1-2 punch combinations in the state at running back. Former Gridiron Football Player of the Week Jamohn Dyson is one of the best two way players in Louisiana. Last season, Dyson had 1,182 yards rushing and 12 touchdowns while averaging close to 10 yards per carry. On defense, he also added 49 tackles and an interception as a linebacker. His counterpart Jeremiah Brooks is also a workhorse for the Cowboys at fullback. Brooks led the team in rushing last season at 1,195 yards and 16 touchdowns. When healthy, both players can lead Jewel Sumner to a championship.

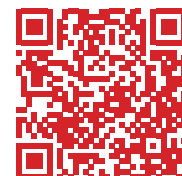
Anquan Patterson and Jahkari Brown will add to a deep running back rotation at wingback. The



Cowboys potentially have the strongest quarterback in the state in Eli Neyland, who can power clean 295 and squat 520 pounds. The 6'4, 190 pound tight end is making the full-time move to quarterback. Neyland is athletic and has a strong arm too. Running the Wing T, the Cowboys pride themselves in the weight room and being physical. The offensive line takes that personal as this is going to be a great group as well with four starters returning. Ashton Broussard and Caeden Sterns are two standouts that can squat over 500 pounds in the weight room. As a three year starter, Broussard will make the move to center after playing tackle. Luis Moreno, Jayden Besse, and Brad Carter will fill out the rest of the line. Wide receivers Kennedy James, Jeremy Bickham, and John Speed take pride in their blocking too.

The defense loses a big piece in Kendell Brown, but like the offense, the defense is going to play

a physical brand of football. Collin Mack is a force to be reckoned with at defensive end with a 315 pound power clean and also had 78 tackles and nine sacks last season. Sterns and Jayon Varnado will man the three man defensive front. The linebackers also return including Dyson, Makialley Bobbins, Michael Hamilton, KJ Brumfield, and Brennen Brumfield. The secondary is inexperienced, but talented with guys like James, Rasheed Shy, and Kelyn Miller in the backend.



Bowl Game Invites: RB Jamohn Dyson, RB Jeremiah Brooks, QB/TE Eli Neyland, OL Ashton Broussard

Jonesboro-Hodge Longtime Head Coach Terrance Blankenship's Passion Still Is Going Strong 25 Years and Counting

Longtime Jonesboro Hodge head coach Terrance Blankenship is entering his 14th year as the head coach of the Tigers. Not only has he experienced success with the program like leading the team to a semifinal appearance in 2021, but he has also done a good job as the school's athletic director. Being at the same place for 14 years comes to show how valuable the relationship is between Coach Blankenship and the Jonesboro Hodge community.

"It has been great. It is my home school and the community has been great. It has been a great run. I have been coaching for 25 years total. If you are around this long, you have to have people on your side, but it has been great working with the kids."

Last season, the Tigers managed to make the playoffs despite only having five seniors. Heading into this season, the team has a little bit more experience with nine seniors in 2025. The offense has the most experience at the position that matters most and that is the quarterback position.

Entering another year as the starting quarterback, the coaches have worked extensively with Dakota Knox as not only a passer, but as a rusher too. A good athlete, Knox will have an impact in all three phases whether it is quarterback, safety, or even punter.



Speaking of having an impact, Landon Boston will have a big one on both sides of the football. The offense will run through him as the starting running back while defensively, he will lead a defensive unit that returns seven starters on that side of the ball. Boston will look to build on his 90 tackle season from last year. Coach Blankenship has been pleased on how Boston has improved on his speed during track this offseason.

A third rising senior that Coach Blankenship is looking for big things from is H-Back/TE/LB Marquis Baker, who can block and catch the football. While this will be a run first team, there are three wide receivers that the coaching staff does like in their offense.

The Tigers will run a 4-3 defense led by their

strong linebacking duo of Boston and Kyron Atkins. The secondary is inexperienced, but talented and will grow as the season goes along.

This season, Jonesboro Hodge will take on Winnfield, West Ouachita, Delhi Charter, Lincoln Prep, Arcadia, Haynesville, DeQuincy, Plain Dealing, Glenbrook, and Cedar Creek.



Bowl Game Invites: QB/S Dakota Knox, RB/LB Landon Boston

Kentwood Is Going For Milestone 10th State Championship In 2025

The Kentwood Kangaroos are one of the most storied programs in Louisiana High School football. Under the water tower, Kentwood fans expect state championships every year and that is the standard. Over their storied history, Kentwood has won nine state championships in 1928, 1939, 1969, 1983, 1986, 1997, 1998, 2015, and 2018. The Kangaroos were right there for a state championship in what was a successful debut season for head coach Cornelius Blount finishing with a 10-4 overall record and coming up a game short of the Superdome losing to eventual Division IV Select State Champion Vermilion Catholic in the semifinals. Coach Blount is excited that this team could get the program their 10th title in 2025.

"Last year, we were one game away from going to the state championship being a young ball club so this year, I know the fans are expecting championship or bust. I am expecting the same thing so if you want to get your popcorn ready, come and see some good football."

There has always been great speed and skill talent in Kentwood. Offensively, Coach Blount has high expectations for the offense as they have the ability to average 40 points per game. Alonzo Ard returns as the starter to lead this talented offense. When healthy, Ard has the ability and experience to become one of the best pocket passers in the state. With Ard back, it will allow playmaker Ahmade Bickham to move back to his normal position at wide receiver. Bickham played quarterback last season down the stretch when Ard was injured, but the 6'4, 165 pound rising junior can still line up all over the field including even at wildcat quarterback to give defenses



another look. Speedster running back Obie Hookfin has the ability to hit the big play anytime he touches the football. Ard will spread the football to different receivers besides Bickham including Jamarious Campbell and Chance Briggs, who is a big body at 6'2, 190 pounds.

Up front, Joshua Roberts and Ivan Williams will play in the trenches on both sides of the football. Defensively, the Kangaroos are still young with a lot of sophomores, but a lot of those same players started last season. Richard Otis will be disruptive and will play on the edge. LB Jayden Cohn is a hard hitter and is willing to run through a wall for his teammates. Cohn will be joined by Briggs, who will also be playing linebacker on defense. In the secondary, Rickey Briggs and Johnathan Bagnet will be the two cornerbacks for the Kangaroos.

The Kentwood Kangaroos will play against East Feliciana, Jewel Sumner, St. Helena, Loranger, Amite, Frederick Douglass, Independence, Southern Lab, Thrive Academy, and Central Private this season.



Bowl Game Invites: QB Alonzo Ard

Former Ascension Episcopal Head Coach Stephen Hearen Comes Back Home To Lead The Lafayette Lions

After three playoff seasons at Ascension Episcopal, former Lafayette High School football standout and graduate Stephen Hearen is coming back home to lead the Lions. Coming back to a place where he grew up is a surreal feeling for Coach Hearen.

"It's exciting to get started. I am a Lafayette High School graduate. I graduated in 2003, played football at Lafayette High, and spent a lot of time in the bleachers watching Lafayette High play. To be back is an opportunity that I am excited about and not taking lightly."

What Coach Hearen is bringing with him is the same offensive style of play that he had with the Blue Gators. Offensively, the Lions will be running a spread offense out of 11 personnel with lots of inside zone and stretch plays in the running game. Coach Hearen loves the experience of his offensive line with three starters returning this season including Mar'Quaylin Joseph, Brett Frizzell, and Evan Dulaney. This experienced offensive line will open holes for Xzaban Williams, who will be the leading bellcow back. The Lions have two quarterbacks that can be productive in their offense. John Carney has been playing a lot under center over the last two seasons and does a good job of managing the game and not making any mistakes. There is also Richmond Saunier, who is a former Gridiron Football Elite Camp standout that can make plays as a quarterback or even at wide receiver. Saunier is a great athlete that is dynamic with the football. Jamieon Brown is the team's most explosive offensive player and



has good hands to boot. Brown showcased his speed at our recent Gridiron Football Elite Camp running a 4.5/40.

Defensively, the Lions will be younger on that side of the football returning only three starters. The unquestioned leader of the defense is LB/S Kendrick Cahee. Cahee is a big part of this Lions defense as he is a great tackler and has good ball skills. He, DE Claude Alexander, and FS Kyle Savoy are the returning starters, but other offensive veterans like Joseph and Brown will also make an impact at defensive tackle and defensive back respectively.

The Lafayette Lions will take on Franklin, St. Martinville, Mamou, Southside, Same Houston, Carencro, Acadiana, Barbe, New Iberia, and Sulphur this upcoming season.



Bowl Game Invites: WR Jamieon Brown, S Kendrick Cahee



The LCA Knights Are Set To Compete For State Championships Once Again

It was a wild season for the Lafayette Christian Academy Knights in 2024 with the program having to make a mid-season coaching change, but the Knights still managed to make the Quarterfinals losing to the eventual state runner-up Dunham Tigers. In the midst of it all, Matt Standiford and Mitch Craft shared head coaching duties. Heading into the 2025 season, Coach Standiford is now the full-time head coach with Coach Craft as the defensive coordinator. Despite being a young program, the LCA Knights have produced plenty of college stars and have won four straight state championships from 2017-2020. The talent and leadership is there for the Knights to compete for number five.

"There is a lot of senior leadership. We only have 12 in our senior class, but it's going to be 12 special ones that can play beyond high school. We are really excited about them and what they are going to display this season."

Replacing Louisiana's all-time record holder in yards and touchdowns in Ju'Juan Johnson can be a tough task, but Braylon Walker was definitely more than capable of filling those shoes. Last season, Walker shined as the Knights' starting quarterback by accounting for 2,954 yards and 36 touchdowns. An incredible athlete and leader, Walker has already announced his commitment to play for the UL Ragin' Cajuns as a defensive back. As one of the top quarterbacks in the state, he will have plenty of talented weapons to throw the football to. His top target is Tulane commit Brayden Allen, who at 6'2, 180 pounds, is a mismatch problem and is nicknamed Megatron. The future member of the Green Wave is coming off a



fantastic junior season in which he had 55 catches for 1,155 yards and 10 TDs. While Allen is 1A, Draylon August is 1B. At 6'2, 180 pounds, August is a good route runner and a big target.

The offensive line returns three starters up front led by three year starter Torey Landry, Kaleb Campbell, and Gavin Auguillard. The starting running back will be Caiden Bellard, who has shown flashes of what he can do including running for over 100 yards against defending state champion Archbishop Shaw.

Defensively, there are 16 players that have starting reps in games. The unquestioned leader is two year captain Luke Green, who has also committed to play safety at UL. Sky Ryan will join Green as a returning starter in the secondary. Linebackers Jaimason Marzell and Kaleb Simon combined for over 200 tackles last season. Then, up front, Jayden Arceneaux, Michael Bennett, and Brayden Lanclos all return to lead the defensive line.

The schedule will definitely test the LCA Knights as they will take on Rummel, Carencro, Westgate, Shaw, Central, Lafayette Renaissance, Notre Dame, Welsh, Evangel, and Lake Arthur.



Bowl Game Invites: QB/ATH Braylon Walker WR Brayden Allen, S Luke Green

Lake Arthur Looks To Lay Another Brick In The Foundation Of The Program

Entering his sixth year as the head coach of his alma mater, Tarius Davis has built a consistent playoff contender at Lake Arthur High School. The Tigers are coming off a 5-5 regular season in 2024 and their third straight playoff appearance. Coach Davis wants his team to continue laying the foundation and potentially taking a step further in 2025.

"Tiger Nation, we have been working hard. The kids are prepared and ready to go. Our job is to always put the best product on the field and we expect nothing less than to field a competitive team. We talked to our kids about the goals this year. I told them that it's a very unique thing to play on Thanksgiving and we look forward to being one of those teams that practice on Thanksgiving this year."

Offensively, the Tigers will have a 2 quarterback system with one of them being Coach Davis' son Jaxon Davis and the other being Cameron Bonin. Both will get the opportunity to play this season and both are capable of leading the offense to success. Last season, Davis started out being the quarterback, but an injury put him out for six games. That allowed Cameron Bonin to come in and lead the team to four wins.

The running game will have to replace All-State caliber running back Carson Myers, but it is in reliable hands with Carter Guillotte being the go-to guy that will carry the offensive workload. Jaydon Prudhomme will get some carries too and will become a factor because of his athletic explosive ability. Kyson Daniel is a big, athletic chess piece that will move and play different positions as he



will play on the line as a tight end/H-Back or he can split up out wide. Breyon McZeal will be the top go to wide receiver for both quarterbacks and is expected to have a big year.

As of right now, the offense is a little bit further along than the defense, but a lot of guys from the offense will also make an impact defensively. Up front, Tyler Mallett is highly regarded at defensive end as one of the best players in the district and can be in for a big senior season. Offensive play-makers like Guillotte, Prudhomme, Davis, Bonin, McZeal, and Daniel will start on defense as well.

This upcoming season, the Lake Arthur Tigers will take on Basile, DeQuincy, Bolton, Oakdale, Rosepine, Notre Dame, Richwood, Lafayette Renaissance, Welsh, and Lafayette Christian Academy.



Bowl Game Invites: DE Tyler Mallett



The Leesville Wampus Cats Eager To Prove That They Are More Than Just Xavier Ford In 2025

The Leesville Wampus Cats had a fantastic season in 2024 going 10-3 and reaching all the way to the Division II Select Semifinals where they lost to the eventual state runner-up E.D. White Cardinals. The biggest piece to last year's team that the Wampus Cats will have to replace is all-time program great in record setting running back Xavier Ford, who finished as the school's all-time leading rusher with 8,591 yards and 123 touchdowns including a state single season record 3,451 yards and 52 touchdowns in 2024. Although Ford is now suiting up for the Minnesota Golden Gophers, the Wampus Cats could be even better in 2025.

"I think we are a better team this year. Everybody thinks that because we don't have Xavier Ford, we are not going to be good this year, but I think we are going to be better and more talented as a team this year," Antrel Broom said.

QB Antrel Broom returns for his second season as the starting quarterback after accounting for 2,000 yards and 14 touchdowns last season. The 6'3 signal caller is athletic and played with a lot of poise in 2024 en route to the semifinals. He will have a talented receiving core to throw the football to led by Michael Davis, who is long, lean, athletic, and emerged last season in his first year as a starter. Receivers Julius Brown and Dylan Absher also return to form a dynamic trio. Grant Braxton has big shoes to fill at the running back position, but he is not intimidated by it as he had a lot of playing time last year. The offensive line is young, returning one starter in right guard Jaron Eakes, who is strong and aggressive.



Jacob Pajinag will make a big impact on both sides of the football as his versatility and athleticism puts him at both H-Back/fullback and linebacker. Maysn Williams-Escoffery returns for his second year starting at linebacker, and finally, Jaylen Tucker will lead the defensive secondary for the Wildcats.

Head Coach Robert Causey has enjoyed plenty of success entering 10 years at the school with a 72-29 record and his track record shows why the Wampus Cats are going to be a force to be reckoned with in 2025.



Bowl Game Invites:
WR Michael Davis ,H-Back/LB Jacob Pajinag

New Head Coach Jimmy Zachery Brings Championship Culture To Liberty Magnet

The Liberty Magnet Patriots made a splash during the offseason in hiring state championship head coach Jimmy Zachery. Coach Zachery took a losing program at Opelousas and turned them into a championship program as he guided his alma mater to their first ever state championship in 2023. The former Coach of the Year now wants another challenge in doing the same thing at Liberty Magnet High School and he believes that the program has the tools to do it.

"I am excited about this team. They are hungry. They want to win and they have bought in pretty much from day one. I have a great senior class and I think they will lead us to a great season this year. I push them hard because I want them to reap the benefits of putting in the work and what comes from hard work."

While at Opelousas, Coach Zachery had a bruising running back in D'Shaun Ford (ULM) and now, Liberty has a workhorse running back that is comparable to Ford in Zaiden Foster. Foster, who is a former Gridiron Football Player of the Week, ran for over 1,000 yards and nine touchdowns last year. Zachery believes that Foster is capable of being a 2,000 yards rusher his senior season. A big part of that is Foster and it is also because of a big, physical offensive line that includes Erin Hitchens, Harland Cyprian, Leron Butler, Dakari Davis, and Kaiden Kirst. The Patriots will also throw the football as well with Brice Preston pulling the trigger at quarterback. Star basketball player Conner Nairn, who is 6'4, has been very impressive during the offseason and has the



mentality to become a great receiver. Johnathan Harris, Daylan Dorsey, and Owen Morris will be other receivers to keep an eye on.

The defense is going to be a tough unit to go up against as this is a physical, athletic, and aggressive group. It is led by one of the best defensive end combinations in Jamie Covington and Kingston Duhon. Covington is long, rangy, and will anchor the defense. He can be as dominant as he wants to be, which will also free up the athletic 6'3, 225 pound Duhon. The defense also has three top Gridiron Football Elite Camp Top Performers from this offseason that will make a lot of plays including three year starter LB Keith Joseph, three year starter CB Ashton Lafleur, and CB Aidan Rowley. Led by Lafleur and Rowley, the

secondary will be a tough group to pass against. DB Brice Turner, LB Jaughn Davis, and LB Joshua Davis round up a defense that has a lot of potential. Owen Ellis will return as the team's kicker and punter.

The Liberty Magnet Patriots will take on Southern Lab, White Castle, Lutchter, and Salmen before stepping up in one of the toughest districts in the state against Catholic High, Central, Scotlandville, and Woodlawn.

Bowl Game Invites: RB Zaiden Foster, DE Jamie Covington, CB Ashton Lafleur, CB Aidan Rowley, LB Keith Joseph, S Carnell Robinson

Live Oak Head Coach Randall Legette Expects Growth In Execution For Year Two

Head Coach Randall Legette is entering his second year as the Live Oak head football coach. After a 3-7 campaign last season, which included a first round playoff loss to Southside, Coach Legette does expect improvement as the team has worked heavily on execution especially late in ball games as the Eagles had opportunities to win other games, but could not quite capitalize on them.

The offense is going to be heavily experienced, led by returning quarterback Cayden Jones, who is very athletic and can make plays with his arm and legs. Jones will have one of the best rising sophomores in the country in WR Calvin Ursin to throw the football to. At 6'2, 200 pounds, Ursin was highly sought after during his freshman campaign by receiving offers from Southern, Florida State, Tulane, Texas A&M, LSU, Vanderbilt, Alcorn State, Baylor, and Grambling already. He will definitely be a top recruit to watch out for in the future. Gridiron Football Elite Camp Top Performer Dallas Mattingly, Cash Davis, and Jake Landry are experienced wide receivers as well. Brenden Impson is a downhill runner that will share carries with Brayden Shelton at running back. The offensive line returns four experienced starters in Tyler Kelly, Briggs Moyer, Jake Smart, and DJ Williams.

The defense will have some youth but talent. Jacob Tibbetts returns as a starter at defensive end and will reunite with Gavin Trammell in the trenches. Cayden Carter will lead a young line-backing core that includes Zeke Long, Davin Williams, and Trey Dorsey. Mikie Dunn and offen-



sive players like Ursin, Mattingly, Davis, and even Jones will help out in the secondary.

The Live Oak Eagles will take on St. Paul's, Dunham, Ponchatoula, Walker, East Ascension, Denham Springs, Prairieville, St. Amant, and Dutchtown this season.



Bowl Game Invites: ATH Cayden Jones, ATH Dallas Mattingly

Head Coach Khalil Thomas Expects Maturation In Year Two At Livonia

Being a former standout running back at Catholic High, Livonia head coach Khalil Thomas learned a lot from a 2-8 campaign in his first year and is excited to take what he has learned for 2025. With renewed focus, upgraded preparation, and an unwavering belief in his players, Coach Thomas is building something special. The Wildcats are hungry, motivated, and ready to prove that they belong among the best. There's a different energy in Livonia this year—a spark ignited by leadership, experience, and the collective desire to flip the script.

Offensively, QB Chase Sylvain returns after starting the last couple of games last season. Sylvain will get the opportunity to throw to All-District selection CJ Aguillard, who finished with an impressive 1,441 all-purpose yards and 11 touchdowns. His breakout sophomore campaign has catapulted him to a great offseason heading into his junior season running a 4.4/40 and receiving his first offer from Grambling. At 6'3", 180 pounds, Bo Stewart is a big-body target that could be a mismatch problem in the red zone. Like Aguillard, Parris Hayes has big-time 4.4/40 speed to make this one of the most explosive groups in the district. All-District linebacker Jaedon Lathers will also get some playing time at tight end as well.

There will be a staple of running backs that will share the load including Cam Carter, Zachary Nelson, and Cam Johnson. Up front, Jacoryan Franklin started eight games as a freshman and is expected to make a big jump his sophomore season not only on the defensive line, but on the



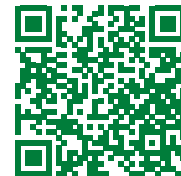
offensive line too. Delaney James and Ethan Darenbourg will also lead the way in the trenches.

The Wildcats bring back the majority of their defense led by three-year starter and team captain S Nico Maradiaga, who gets everybody lined up where they are supposed to be alongside cornerbacks Aldric Collar and D'Morian Douglas. Jacoryan Franklin will hold down the fort on the defensive line. Finally, Lathers and Avery Bergeron form one of the best linebacking cores to pace the middle of the defense.

In conclusion, Livonia football is loaded under Coach Khalil Thomas, featuring explosive talent, veteran leadership, and relentless determination, aiming to dominate the district in 2025.



Bowl Game Invites: S Nico Maradiaga



“Gridiron Football has done a great job of creating exposure for thousands of players in Louisiana, that otherwise may not have been found.”



**Ron Roberts,
Defensive Cord. University of Florida**

Madison Prep Sets A Championship Standard Under Landry Williams

The Madison Prep Chargers have been a consistent state championship contender every season under head coach Landry Williams. Entering his eighth year leading the Chargers, Williams always has Madison Prep in the conversation including winning a state championship in 2020. The Chargers were right there for another title last season finishing the season with a 9-4 record, a district championship, and a narrow semifinal 35-28 loss to the eventual Division II Select State Champion Archbishop Shaw Eagles. Although the Chargers will be replacing a lot of key pieces from the 2024 team, Madison Prep will still be in the thick of the championship race in 2025.

"The kids have really bought into the program, the work ethic, and doing things the Charger way. They uphold the standard. Through hard work and perseverance, we have built that reputation of being a top team to beat in the district."

The Chargers will have to replace their offensive backfield including District Offensive MVP QB Tylan Johnson and 1st Team All-State running back Alfred McKnight, but the expectations are still high. Filling in Tylan Johnson's shoes at quarterback is none other than his younger brother Landon Johnson. Landon has a chance to become another great player at the quarterback position and is just an overall great football player that can excel at almost any position. He has even received three DI offers already from Baylor, Tulsa, and Vanderbilt. The new running back J'on Profit is expected to be the leading back and is coming off a great spring game against St. Augustine in which he averaged over 10 yards per carry for 100 yards.



As always, the Chargers offensive line is one of the biggest, strongest, and best in the state led by All-District selections Carnell Smith, who is a two time All-District selection, Darnell Smith, Jarvis Smith, and Jamyris Allen. When the Chargers throw the football, Johnson will get the football to one of the best in the state in Grambling commit Keyon Robinson, who had 56 catches for 1,209 yards and 12 touchdowns last season. All-District wide receiver Amaren Sanders is another dependable receiver and playmaker that Johnson will look towards.

The defensive front is just as good for the Chargers led by 1st Team All-District selection DT Victor Hollins, who at 6'1, 315 pounds, is one of the strongest guys in the entire state. Hollins will anchor the defensive line while Gridiron Football Elite Camp Top Performer Ryan Variste will create havoc off the edge as a defensive end/outside linebacker. Variste is also not only a 1st Team All-District selection, but he was also selected on the team's leadership council. Darius

Mack will be on the opposite side of Variste to create a dynamic pass rushing duo. Fellow Gridiron Football Elite Camp Top Performer Cannon Walker and Daelyn Early will lead the linebacking core in the middle of the defense. Finally, the Chargers have one of the best defensive players in the entire state patrolling the secondary in Houston commit Javen Holmes, who made 1st Team All-State last season with 78 tackles, 4 TFLs, 2 FFs, 9 PBUs, and 4 INTs. At 6'3, 210 pounds with 4.5/40 speed, there are not a lot of receivers that want to catch the ball over the middle with him around.

The Madison Prep Chargers will take on Dutchtown, Mandeville, Southside, Glen Oaks, Parkview Baptist, Southern Lab, Port Allen, Collegiate, U-High, and Mentorship Academy.

Bowl Game Invites: DE/LB Ryan Variste, LB Cannon Walker, S Javen Holmes, DL Victor Hollins, OL Carnell Smith, WR Keyon Robinson

Head Coach LaQuintin Lamb Is All About The Process At Mamou

Entering year two, Mamou head coach LaQuintin Lamb is continuing to lay the foundation for the program. Last season, the Demons went only 3-7, but the fans saw a lot of positives. With 13 first year players on the team last year, the Demons were in a lot of games and for Coach Lamb, the next step of the process is to finish some of those close games.

"I'm a believer in the process. The community constantly saw us compete. We lost to Church Point by two scores after being down 28-0. Other than Lafayette High, we were in every other game. We have a lot of young coaches and there is a lot of excitement from our kids."

Offensively, the Demons have one of the most under the radar players in the state out there in playmaker Zamauri Brown. Whether it is at running back or slot wide receiver, he is a threat to score any play and has great hands as well. Over the last two years, Brown has scored 25 touchdowns and still has two more years left to go. Jayden Ardoin will enter his first year as the starting quarterback. Ardoin has already shown great leadership skills with a strong arm and a high football IQ. Keontez Campbell is going to be a bellcow for the offense as a fullback on the team. Ashton Johnson is another talented athlete in a great backfield. At 6'1, 180 pounds, Johnson may arguably be the best athlete on the team with his combination of size and speed. The running game will be a strength on this Mamou team with three starters returning on the offensive line including three year starter Eli Miller along with two year starters Maurri Fisher and Devin Pattie.

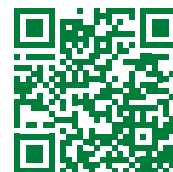


Defensively, the Demons will have to replace the entire defensive line with Miller having to step up and play both sides, but the linebacking core will be one of the best in the entire district. Campbell will play a huge role at linebacker alongside one of the best inside linebackers in the state in Payton Ashford, who had 115 tackles in 10 games last season. Add in Javien Charles, who has high upside at 6'4, and Ethan McCauley, who was productive with 70 tackles last season, you got yourselves a tough linebacking core to go up against. The secondary is going to be a strength for the team as well returning three year starter Kevin Slaughter. Slaughter is gritty, a tough tackler, and a leader in the secondary. Kevin Jason will help lock receivers down at cornerback heading into his junior year.

The Mamou Demons will take on Bolton Academy, Basile, Lafayette, Church Point, Crowley, Abbeville, Ville Platte, Northwest, Iota, and Pine Prairie this upcoming season.



Bowl Game Invites: DB Kevin Slaughter, LB Keontez Campbell



Josh Harper Expects Growth in Year 3 at Marksville

After two playoff appearances in his first two years as Marksville's head coach, Josh Harper expects continued growth from his program entering year number three.

"Anytime that you come in and you get to that third year, you get those kids adapted to the way that you want to do things. They are molding into what you want them to be as far as discipline wise, character wise, effort wise, and I am really excited about this year."

Offensively, the Tigers will lose a lot of production in the dynamic running back duo of Elidrick Murray and Kyreon Prier, but the good news is that they will return their signal caller in 1st Team All-District athlete Devin Lavalais. At 6'2, Lavalais is a talented playmaker that is a 2 time All-State basketball selection and is getting more comfortable in calling the offense and running RPOs. His top receiver is Jaden Price, who is also a big target at 6'2 as well. Up front, the Tigers will feature one senior, two juniors, and two sophomores on the offensive line.

Defensively, the unit will be led by one of the best pass rushing duos in the district in 1st Team All-District DE Jayce Warren and DE Travis Palmer. Those two will anchor and carry the load on defense. The 4-2-5 will also return players in the secondary as well to round up that side of the football.

The longtime Sacred Heart head coach is excited about how his team is progressing over the off season and is looking for big things from his alma mater with a big junior class entering the season.



Schedule wise, the Tigers will take on Avoyelles, Church Point, Iota, Port Barre, and Oakdale before starting district play against Jena, Bunkie, Buckeye, Vidalia, and Caldwell Parish.



Bowl Game Invites: DE/LB Travis Palmer, DE/LB Jayce Warren

Camaraderie Is Building At Helix Mentorship Academy Under Ellis Spears

The Mentorship Academy Sharks have improved from year one to year two under head coach Ellis Spears. After a winless 0-10 campaign in 2023, the Sharks won three games last season. Coach Spears can feel the energy and the chemistry within the program building as he enters year three with the Sharks.

"I am excited about the camaraderie. These young men are growing together to become a team. The last two years, we struggled with that, but I think this year, the young men are coming together and building as a team. This past summer has been tremendous. A lot of guys have been showing up and participating. The 7v7s have been pretty good and the guys are competing so I am excited to see what the guys are going to do this year."

Offensively, the Sharks are going to lean on their skill players led by second year starting quarterback Jeremy Collins, who has taken tremendous strides this offseason especially during the 7v7 circuit. Collins will have some talented playmakers to spread the football to. Kenny Jones and Christopher McKinley are swiss army players that will be featured all over the football field. Jones will play running back, wide receiver, cornerback, and safety while Robertson will play H-Back, wide receiver, linebacker, cornerback, safety, and even some snaps at quarterback. WR Devery Lewis, who is a three year starter, and WR/DB Caleb Robertson are two other dynamic weapons that can make plays whenever they touch the football.



Mackenzie Barber returns for another year as a starter on the offensive and defensive line at center and defensive tackle. Barber is the team's best lineman and will be the leader in the trenches. Tedrick Clark is another staple on both lines of scrimmage. Coach Spears also expects a lot of big things from Ronnie Hawkins, who played defensive end last season. Hawkins will return at defensive end for this upcoming season, but also could see some time at tight end too on offense. Terrell Watkins will lead the linebacking core and is another player that Coach Spears heavily spotlighted. Coach Spears says that the defense as a whole has made a lot of positive strides with a lot of the players fully understanding their assignments. Most of the guys that were mentioned are going to have an impact on both sides of the football.

This season, the Helix Mentorship Academy Sharks will take on East Iberville, Northeast, Capitol, Port Allen, Collegiate, U-High, Tara, Glen Oaks, Parkview Baptist, and Madison Prep.

Bowl Game Invites: WR Devery Lewis, ATH Kenny Jones



The Williams Name Continues To Lead The Montgomery Tigers To Success

By Jace LeJeune

After coaching at Montgomery High School for over 20 years, Brian Williams handed over the keys to his son Taylor Williams last season. In his first season as the Tigers head coach, Taylor showed that he was ready for the challenge winning seven games, hosting a playoff game, and winning a playoff game in an instant 42-40 OT classic against Vinton.

"Last year was a great first year. I still call my dad everyday asking questions, but it was a successful year. It is an honor to have somebody like that in your corner with such knowledge and getting to play for him and coach under him. It's a great luxury to have him," Coach Williams said.

What also is a great luxury is returning a four year starter at the quarterback position in All-State signal caller Mason Jordan.

"My goal is to get more wins than last year, host another home playoff game, and be a role model for the younger players coming up," Jordan said.

After graduating 12 seniors, the Tigers will be very young this season returning three starters on the offense and two starters on defense. Along with Jordan, two other seniors will help lead the way for this Montgomery team including 4 year starting OL/DL Jett Bullock and 6'6 wide receiver Hayden Ganey.

Although young, there is a good, talented group of freshmen and sophomores that will make their mark for Coach Williams' squad. Coach Williams wants his young team to continue to trust themselves and to just go out there and play football.



The Tigers will open their non-district against Grant, Pickering, Elton, Grand Lake, and Lakeside before facing off against Northwood Lena, St. Mary's, Logansport, Lakeview, and LaSalle in district play.



Bowl Game Invites: QB Mason Jordan, OL Jett Bullock, WR Hayden Ganey

North Iberville is Hungry For More After Memorable Return To Varsity Action

The wait was worth it for North Iberville fans as last season, the Bears made their return to varsity football for the first time since 2009 and what a way to do it. The Bears ended up going 9-3, won a playoff game against Oberlin, and advanced to the second round of the Division IV Non-Select Playoffs where they lost to eventual semifinalist General Trass. Head Coach Joshua Gast, who has been a part of the Bears' impressive rebuild, wants to take the next step as a program entering year two of varsity action.

"We are looking to run it back and have another winning season. We approach every year by just going 1-0 this week so we don't want to get ahead of ourselves. We know the fans are expecting bigger things so the level of expectations is going up for us. We are happy about that and want to prove them right."

The Bears will have to replace Gridiron Football All-American and District MVP Mekell Toussaint on both sides of the football, but the good news is that they return the majority of everybody else. QB Justice Roy returns for a great junior campaign in which he threw for 1,507 yards and 20 touchdowns while rushing for another 444 yards and seven touchdowns on the ground. Two former Gridiron Football Junior High All-Americans are arguably the two best players on this North Iberville team in WR BJ Melancon and RB Jeremy Favorite. Melancon is a big time playmaker in the passing game after having 39 catches for 703 yards and 14 touchdowns last season. Favorite is going to be the featured back now since



Toussaint graduated and has a chance to expand on his numbers after rushing for 1,243 yards and 17 touchdowns.

Former Gridiron Football Junior High All-American Aiden Melancon, Jalen Mims, and Torey Downs also return as starting receivers. Besides All-District selection Jordell Baise, the offensive line will be young with Fabian Mitchell and Brinten Harris being the only returning starters. Ethan Gaudet, James Matthews, and Joseph Mire will be new contributors.

Longtime Northeast head coach David Masteron will be calling the shots for an experienced defense. The entire defensive line including Baise, Damion Horton, James Matthews, and Kayden Williams all return. The linebacking room is also experienced despite having to replace

Toussaint. Trevis Phillips, Chris Armster, and Mims are returning starters that make up the core of the defense. BJ Melancon, Braylon Christmas, Dekai Butler, and Torey Downs are all experienced players to make this a well rounded defense. The defense is even more inspired to play for Coach Masteron, who has been fighting a courageous battle with cancer.

The North Iberville Bears will play against Central Private, Livonia, Ben Franklin, Centerville, Vinton, St. John, White Castle, Ascension Catholic, East Iberville, and Ascension Christian.

Bowl Game Invites: QB Justice Roy, OL/DL Jordell Baise

The North Vermilion Patriots Are Eager To Take Next Step In 2025

The North Vermilion Patriots are entering their second year under head coach Roderick Moy. 2024 brought some bright spots for the Patriots as they made the playoffs and had a 3-1 record at home. Building on a little bit of success, there is interest and people are starting to buy in what Coach Moy is trying to install.

"It was good being back home. Last year, we had a big group of seniors. They came out, gave us the best they had, and we are starting a revitalization of the program. The program is on good standings, but we want to take it to the next level and get ourselves to the ultimate goal, which is hosting a playoff game in Maurice."

The Patriots will build around a big class of 15 seniors plus a veteran offensive line. Returning up front is right guard Julien Bellard, right tackle Kolin Ardoin, and left tackle Camden Thibodeaux. While the offensive line is familiar, the entire backfield will be new after replacing QB James Higginbotham, RB Grant Wise, and FB Preston Bagwell, who ran for 1,100 yards last season. Grant's younger brother Gage will be the new tailback while baseball player Avery Stutes will step in Bagwell's shoes at fullback. Right now, there is a quarterback battle between Jackson Romero and Jackson Frederick.

Defensively, the Patriots will not be big and that will be their biggest achilles' heel. However, the defense will make up for it with their speed, quickness, and aggressiveness. Leading the charge is DE Brooks Broussard, who plays with 100% full effort and can line up all over the field including at



defensive end, defensive tackle, and even line-backer. Rounding up the rest of the defense is DL Chase Hensley, LB Chandler Richard, LB Jax Smith, S David Romero, DB Lane Bernard, and DB Deagon Broussard.

Finally, the Patriots will have one of the best kickers/punters in the state in Logan Blanchard, who made 1st Team All-District and 2nd Team All-State in 2024. North Vermilion will have a special teams edge over most of the teams that they play this season.

On the schedule for the season, the North Vermilion Patriots will take on Church Point, Erath, Kaplan, Northside, Ascension Episcopal, Comeaux, Teurlings Catholic, Westgate, Rayne, and St. Thomas More.

Bowl Game Invites: K Logan Blanchard, DE Brooks Broussard



The Northeast Vikings Look To Turn The Corner In 2025

Entering his fifth season as the Northeast Vikings head coach, Devyn Baker believes that the 2025 team is the best team that he has yet and that this veteran group could go back to the playoffs for the first time since his first year taking the program over.

"We expect a lot of great things. Since my years being here, this is my best team with my best group of seniors and juniors and on top of that, I have the best coaching staff that I would put up against anybody."

Jordan Sampson returns as the Vikings' quarterback for the third consecutive year. Offensively, Coach Baker wants to run the football which will open up things for talented wide receivers Marcus Collins, Christopher Barnes, and Tyson Spears. All three players will make an impact for the Vikings on offense and on defense in the secondary. The offense will also lean heavily on RB/SS Tyler Johnson, who will be the Vikings' bellcow in the ground game. Players like OL/DL Tyreon Bennett and OL/DL Troy Lewis will help provide the holes for Johnson to run through.

Defensively, the Vikings will be aggressive in their 4-2-5 scheme. Gridiron Football Elite Camp standout Alex Curvin returns to lead the defensive front after having 106 tackles, 4 sacks, 15 TFLs, and 2 forced fumbles. Samuel Ranel will help the defense as he is making the transition from center to linebacker. The secondary is athletic with players like Barnes, Johnson, Spears, and Collins patrolling the back end. With a



veteran group of juniors and seniors, the Vikings have a lot of expectations for the new season.

The Northeast Vikings will take on Jefferson Rise, Helix Mentorship Academy, East Iberville, Baker, Slaughter Charter, Thrive Academy, Dunham, Episcopal, Capitol, and East Feliciana.



Bowl Game Invites: RB/S Tyler Johnson, OLB Alex Curvin



Northwest Raiders' Dynamic Offense Puts Them In Running For Another District Title and Deep Playoff Run

The last two years have been exceptional for the Northwest Raiders as the team is coming off their first outright district championship in eight years last year and also a semifinal appearance a year prior in 2023. Under the leadership of longtime head coach Chris Edwards, the Raiders are once again in the mix for another special season.

"We are just trying to start the season off and stay healthy. Last year, the injury bug hit us at the end of the season. We had our top running back and top cornerback go down at the wrong time against Plaquemine. Other than that, we had a good summer and the guys are working hard. If the defense can hold us together the last couple weeks of the season, I think we will be okay."

The Raiders' offense should win a lot of shootouts. The run game has always been strong for the program and they return one of the best running backs in the entire state in Ke'von Johnson. The former St. Edmund Blue Jay ran for 1,750 yards and 18 touchdowns in 2024. He can be in for an even bigger season in 2025. Although the offensive line will not be as big as in years past, the Raiders will make up for it with their speed.

QB Justin Chavis will now lead the offense and take the reins from his older brother Jayden Chavis. The younger Chavis has picked up a lot of tips from his brother and he has a lot of big weapons to throw the ball to. 6'2 target Reginald Lavergne and 6'4 target Markez Davis will have a big time advantage against smaller receivers as both combined to catch 46 passes for 1,025



yards and 17 touchdowns last season. Cortlon Young is a third receiver that is at least 6'1 and is a standout basketball point guard as well. What separates himself is his big hands and his reliability as a pass catcher. Then, there is Jayden Lazard, who has breakaway speed similar to Ke'von Johnson, and will get the chance to showcase his playmaking ability as well.

The offense will score a lot of points, but Coach Edwards hopes that his young defense grows in a hurry after having to replace eight starters on that side of the football. LB Frederick Nimer returns after leading the team in tackles with 58 stops as a backup. Now, he is the leader of the defense alongside Marcus Sam, who was the MVP of LSU's junior camp this summer. Up front, Jei'vonne Owens has been a consistent All-District playmaker and will carry the torch at defensive end following standouts like former Gridiron Football All-American Mackenzie Ardoin and Davon Thibodeaux. Finally, Hayden Brown, who has the ability to play at the next level, returns for his third year as a starter in the secondary.



Bowl Game Invites: RB Ke'von Johnson, WR Reginald Lavergne, DE Jei'vonne Owens, CB Hayden Brown



Young Notre Dame Squad Always Has A Chance With Hall of Fame Head Coach Lewis Cook Leading The Way

Legendary head coach Lewis Cook begins his 50th year in the coaching ranks and his 40th as a head coach. No matter where he has been, Coach Cook has enjoyed plenty of success as the third winningest coach in Louisiana high school football history behind J.T. Curtis and Jim Hightower. With 392 career wins and five state championships to his credit, the Notre Dame Pios always have a chance. Just ask senior wide receiver Brice Duhon.

"I feel like Coach Cook gives us the chance to go to the state championship. I feel like we came together and worked hard this summer. He is going to give us the best chance we got."

The Pios are coming off a 6-5 campaign a season ago with a playoff loss to LCA. With only five starters coming back this fall and having to replace two Gridiron Football All-Americans in OL Landon Mouton and TE Joshua Hebert, the Pios will be inexperienced, but the culture is there for the team to make a run. What helps is that the offense will return Drew LeJeune. After starting at running back all of last year, LeJeune will make the transition to quarterback. His top go to wide receiver will be Gridiron Football Elite Camp Top Performer Brice Duhon, who has 4.5/40 speed.

The Pios will have a brand new look offensively with Duhon, LeJeune, and offensive guard Eli Pommier being the only returning starters. Joachim Bourgeois and William LaVergne will be the new running backs. Maddox Andrepont will line up at flanker and Sam Casanova will



replace Hebert at tight end. There will also be four new starters on the offensive line including center Jonah Blake, guard Scott Sibley, and tackles Brodie LeJeune and Brayan Jasso-Frey.

Defensively, the Pios will be just as young returning two starters. Wes Duplechin may be the most experienced player on the team entering his third year as a starter at middle linebacker. Griffin Doucet also is the only returning starter in the secondary. Zach Mixon, Hayden Bergeaux, and Drake Bertrand will be new starters on the defensive line with Mixon being the only one with playing experience. Joe Hensgens, Dallas Beslin, and Jack Vondenstein are new starters at linebacker. Finally, Jackson Trahan, Brayden Frey, and Cameron Stelly are new starters in the secondary. Ty Savant will return as the team's kicker.

The schedule will be tough for the Notre Dame Pios as they will take on Southside, Ville Platte, Teurlings Catholic, Catholic New Iberia, Cecilia, Lake Arthur, LCA, Jennings, Lafayette Renaissance, and Welsh this season.



Bowl Game Invites: WR Brice Duhon, CB Griffin Doucet, QB/ATH Drew LeJeune, DL Zach Mixon



Patterson Utilizes Playmakers While Getting Back To Old School Philosophy

After a disappointing 1-9 season in 2024, the Patterson Lumberjacks are changing their philosophy back to the old school style of football with head coach Shannon Craig, who is in his third season during his second stint at the school as the head coach. That style of football with program greats like Dalton and Kenny Hilliard drove the Lumberjacks to plenty of success and Coach Craig wants to get back to doing that.

"We've had a good offseason. The guys have worked hard in the weight room. We're going back to what I call old school football so you can expect us to pound the football."

While the Lumberjacks offense is going to center around the ground game that will feature running back Daylan Jones, the offense does have plenty of weapons that can score on any given play. Driving the ship is three year starting QB Hayven Keller, who can beat defenses not only with his arm, but he scares defenses with his feet as well. He will have two speedy slot wide receivers that both can run 4.5/40s in four year starters Javyn Christopher and Linzy Howard. Both have the ability to score anytime that they touch the football. Jamall Pollard is a third wide receiver with game breaking ability and 6'5 wide receiver Greg Johnson gives the offense a big red zone target that can catch jump balls. After taking its lumps last season, the offensive line is more experienced with four starters coming back.

Speaking of experience, the defense returns 9 of 11 starters on that side of the football. Coach Craig is confident that the defense can keep



up athletically with almost anybody out there. The Lumberjacks will either be in a 4-3 or a 4-4 based on the teams that they are playing against and will be aggressive in blitzing multiple players.

The Patterson Lumberjacks will start off the non-district slate against Jeanerette, Comeaux, Catholic New Iberia, H.L. Bourgeois, Franklin, Kaplan, and Belle Chasse before wrapping up the regular season against district rivals Berwick, St. James, and Donaldsonville.



Bowl Game Invites: QB/ATH Hayven Keller, WR Javyn Christopher, WR Linzy Howard

Peabody Alum Jamar Washington Brings Championship Mindset Back To Warhorses

After playing and being a standout All-State wide receiver for the Warhorses, Jamar Washington returns home as Peabody High School's next head football coach.

"It has definitely been a dream come true and a dream that has come earlier than expected. It's a sense of pride being able to come back home to a school that I walked the halls of and share blood, sweat, and tears in."

As one of the youngest coaches in Peabody history, Washington does in fact bring experience of being a part of a state championship program after previously being the offensive coordinator at Southern Lab where he guided the Kittens to a state championship in 2023.

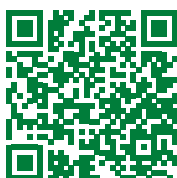
"I am bringing a winning culture and a championship mentality. At Southern Lab, they have a rich tradition of winning championships. If you don't win a championship there, it's not a good season. We are just taking that mindset and bringing it back home."

The Warhorses will have to replace playmakers like TJ Hullaby (McNeese State) and Gridiron Football All-American QB James Lucas IV, but Coach Washington likes the players that are returning.

Offensively, the team has good depth at the skill positions including WR Zachary Green, RB Jonathan Hargrove, RB David Newton, and WR Jeremiah Jackson to name a few. At quarterback, Zaiden Bolden will be the new triggerman for Coach Washington's offense.



Defensively, the Warhorses will be deep in the front seven at the linebacker and defensive line positions led by LB Tony Brooks, who will also play some running back, and LB Alonzo Joseph. The Warhorses will look to bounce back from a 2-8 record last season as they will take on the likes of LaGrange, Northwood, Fontainebleau, Franklin, Washington Marion, Grant, Franklin Parish, West Ouachita, and Wossman.



Bowl Game Invites: WR Zachary Green, LB Alonzo Joseph, LB Tony Brooks Jr.

The Pine Raiders Ready To Take Next Step After Back To Back Quarterfinal Appearances

Pine HC Bradley Seal does not get enough credit for the consistency he brings to the Raiders program. For the last 14 seasons, Coach Seal has led the team to an 80-62 overall record including back to back Quarterfinal appearances. As a balanced team in 2025, the Raiders have a great opportunity to break through that Quarterfinal hurdle.

The Raiders have to replace a couple of key guys including Gridiron Football All-American DJ Garrett, who had 1,200 yards on offense and 10 interceptions, and All-State OL Jackson Jones (TCU). However, the Raiders return their star quarterback Trey Knight, who threw for 2,000 yards in a Wing T offense last season. The 6'3, 190 pound quarterback has a lot of confidence and carries himself as a veteran signal caller. Two-way star Christian Williams will be playing fullback, but also excels at linebacker where he was the team's leading tackler last season with 91 stops. WR/CB Delvonta Gardner has a chance to be the next DJ Garrett playing both ways with his 6'2 frame and after catching two touchdowns in the spring game.

Beau Bickham, Cayden Woodward, and Levi Spears all return on the offensive line. The defense has a chance to be an all-around solid group at all three levels. The defensive line was a cause of concern in the spring, but that has improved with the play of DE Kade Knight and standout nose guard Lyrian Hart, who had 12 tackles last season in a playoff game against



Kaplan. Three year starter LB Caydn Stogner gets after the quarterback after having five sacks last season. Stogner and Williams make one of the best linebacker duos in the district. Finally, S Chance Handy is the quarterback of the secondary and puts everybody in the right place.



Bowl Game Invites: LB Christian Williams, QB Trey Knight

Reenergized Justin Charles Excited For Opportunity To Lead The Pineville Rebels

For the first time in two years, Justin Charles is back as a head coach and what better place to do so than at Pineville High School. Charles was a former head coach at Louisiana Christian University, which also happens to be in Pineville. After being the head coach most recently at Holy Savior Menard in 2022, Charles served the last two seasons as Pineville's defensive coordinator. Now reenergized, Charles is excited about the opportunity to lead the Rebels to new heights.

"I was enjoying my time being a defensive coordinator and on November 26th last year, they offered me the head job. What I love about Pineville is the community. The kids are just amazing and they want to work hard. It's been a work in progress, but I love it."

Coach Charles' goal is to improve the Rebels' offense, and there are some weapons on that side of the football to do so. The running game has one of the best running backs in the area in All-District runner Ayden Tate, who ran for over 1,000 yards in 2025. He has put on 25 pounds of muscle during the offseason and can play multiple positions for the team. Tate will run behind an offensive line led by veteran three year starter Brady McCann, who can play any position along the front including at center and guard. The quarterback job will be decided between Carter Smith and Kaleb Coleman. Whoever wins the job will have a fast wide receiver group to throw to as well.



Defensively, there won't be much change schematically. The defensive front will be led by one of the strongest players in the state in DT Daylan Tatum, who is a state runner-up powerlifter, and DE Brady Baden, who has put on 30 pounds of muscle in the offseason. Brady Dubois will be a part of a veteran linebacking room, and finally, Hy'Keem Mix has moved over to play cornerback full-time while still getting the opportunity to get some looks to touch the ball on offense.



Bowl Game Invites: RB Ayden Tate, DB Hy'Keem Mix, DT Daylan Tatum, OL Brady McCann, DE Brady Baden



Alum Antoine Washington Excited About Taking Dream Job At Port Allen

There may be a new head coach at Port Allen this season, but it is a familiar face leading the program in Antoine Washington. Coach Washington is an alum of the school and has been an assistant coach at Port Allen since 2011. Getting the opportunity to be the head coach at Port Allen is a dream come true for Washington and is looking forward to leading the Pelicans to great things.

The Pelicans are coming off a good season last season by going 6-6 including winning a playoff game against Church Point before losing in the second round against Jena. The offense goes where Kaleb West goes as he will line up all over the field including at quarterback, wide receiver, and defensive back. His playmaking ability and versatility has helped him pick up his first offer recently from Louisiana Christian University. Jonathan Lanes won the award this offseason for being the team's most improved player. He will play both sides of the football at wide receiver and defensive back. Wide receivers Dearies Taylor and Jalen Duhon are veterans that will help out the passing game on offense.

Kevin West will lead the trenches on the offensive and defensive lines. Coach Washington has been impressed with other offensive linemen including Kaden Thomas and Jason Ferguson. Both will also play both ways. The defense will be young after graduating eight starters, but they will lean heavily on an experienced secondary led by West and Lanes.



The Port Allen Pelicans will start off the season with big rival Brusly before taking on the likes of Donaldsonville, Livonia, Helix Mentorship Academy, Glen Oaks, Parkview Baptist, Madison Prep Academy, St. Michael, Collegiate B.R., and U-High.



Bowl Game Invites:
ATH Kaleb West

The Port Barre Red Devils Are Ready To Hit The Reset Button in 2025

The 2024 season was a year to forget for the Port Barre Red Devils. Injuries and bad luck derailed the Red Devils' season into a 1-9 campaign last season. Despite a disappointing season, there is still a lot of excitement around the program as just two years ago, head coach Brent Angelle guided the Red Devils to their first playoff appearance since 2019. Now, Coach Angelle believes that his team could make more history in 2025 by aiming for their first winning season since 2013.

"It's a very gritty group. We did lose a lot of seniors and a lot of talent from last year's team, but the talent we have coming back from a leadership standpoint to an athletic standpoint, we are further along than we have been since I've been at Port Barre. This senior class has been starters since their freshman or sophomore years. It's a good core to hit the reset button with."

The success of the Red Devils' season will depend on the health of their two star players Tylus Metrejean and Bailey Rideaux. Both will line up all over the football field. Metrejean, who has been a standout at our Gridiron Football Elite Camp earlier this offseason, will line up everywhere. Port Barre's Swiss Army Knife will play quarterback, wide receiver, cornerback, kicker, punter, and punt returner. There may not be a more versatile player in the state than Metrejean. Whenever he is not at quarterback, Seth Smith will step up at the position. Meanwhile, Rideaux will have a new change of pace after starting at tight end the last two seasons. He will appear at tight end, but he will also play some running back this season along with playing defensive end on



Bowl Game Invites:
ATH Tylus Metrejean
TE Bailey Rideaux

the other side of the football. RB Chase Dedon, WR Kegan Ledoux, and TE Bennett Fontenot will try to lighten the load this season for Metrejean and Rideaux on offense.

Coach Angelle is also very high on his offensive line that returns four starters. 1st Team All-District guard Brett Menard and All-District tackle Karson Dupre pace the front alongside Luke Stagg, Luke Grimmer, and Cy Leger. According to Coach Angelle, this is the best front he has coached since he has been there.

The defense struggled mightily last season, but the unit returns a talented linebacking core, Ju

wan Horns is undeniably the leader of the defense after earning 1st Team All-District honors last season. LB Malcolm Mallett, Fontenot, and Rideaux will lead the defensive front. The secondary will be very young and will lean on Metrejean to get the other guys ready. Coach Angelle's son Benton Angelle will handle the placekicking duties.

This season, the Port Barre Red Devils will take on Crowley, Beau Chene, Opelousas Catholic, Marksville, South Beauregard, Avoyelles, Oakdale, Holy Savior Menard, and Westminster Christian (Opelousas).

The Prairieville Hurricanes Expect To Make Big Leap In Year Two After Getting Feet Wet In Inaugural Season

The Prairieville Hurricanes decided to dive in the deep end last season when starting the football program. Not only were the Hurricanes getting right into varsity action, but they were doing so at the 5A level. Head Coach Mike Schmitt has enjoyed plenty of coaching success outside the state of Louisiana and his latest task is building a football program from the ground up at the state's highest level. The team did improve as the season went on in their inaugural 2-8 season and that should be able to catapult them to big things in 2025.

The Hurricanes gain a ton of experience from last year's team returning 19 of 22 total starters for this new program. The new look spread option offense will have a two quarterback rotation this year with Charles Green and the athletic Skyler Kelly sharing snaps. Kelly is one of the fastest players in the district and is coming off a great track season. Ivan Sanders and Evan Williams will see plenty of snaps at running back. Chance Jackson, Hudson Dettman, and TE Parker Faist will be the pass catchers for either quarterback with Kelly also having the ability to line up at receiver. Up front, leader Austin Gill and Evan Quibadeaux lead the offensive line with Quibadeaux being the biggest, strongest player on the team.

Gridiron Football Elite Camp standout Eric Williams will lead the linebacking room and will also get the opportunity to play some running back



too. The defensive line will be a strength as well returning starters like DE Brody Creel, who has the ability to start almost anywhere, nose tackle Gabriel Ford, who is much improved during the offseason, and DE Daniel Williams, who is a college prospect at 6'3, 210 pounds. Other Gridiron Football Elite Camp standouts OLB Cade Herbert and CB Braylon Williams are other players to watch defensively, especially Williams, who is having an unbelievable offseason for the team. Jamarion Meady is another speedster to watch at cornerback as last season, he returned a 97 yard punt return for a touchdown.



Bowl Game Invites: CB Braylon Williams, LB Eric Williams, DE Brody Creel, OL Austin Gill, DL Gabriel Ford



Red River's New But Familiar Face Brings Blue Collar Philosophies To Defending District Champions

The Red River Bulldogs enter a new era of football with a lot of positive momentum as last season, the program won their first district championship since 2005 and did so in dominant fashion going undefeated in district play and outscoring their opponents 128-20. Now, former Red River standout and defensive coordinator Travis Gary will like to continue that as their new head coach.

"We are going to be tough nosed, blue collared. We are going to stand there smiling while you are bent over and tired. It's old school with new principles."

Offensively, the Bulldogs will return District Co-Offensive MVP Malique Smith at quarterback. Coach Gary is letting Smith loose with leading that side of the football and believes that he is a big sleeper at the position. He will have a lot of help in this explosive spread offense. Warren Bowman is perhaps the team's most dynamic playmaker earning All-District honors at multiple positions. Cedric Mooney is a big play running back that will handle more of a load after averaging eight yards per carry last season. Lathyn Lewis is fast and will contribute as both a wide receiver and cornerback.

While Smith will be leading the offense, there is no question that senior safety Cameron Jones will be leading the defense as a four year starter. The All-District defensive back has a nose for the football. Coach Gary will also look to linebacker Nathaniel Burton. Although not big at 175



pounds, he makes up for it with his sideline to sideline speed and hard hitting ability.

The Bulldogs will look to improve on their second round playoff finish this season against Catholic Pointe Coupee, St. Mary's, Oak Grove, White Castle, Pineville, Mansfield, Lakeside, Many, Winnfield, and Oakdale.



Bowl Game Invites: QB Malique Smith, WR Warren Bowman, S Cameron Jones

The Richwood Rams Look To Bounce Back In 2025

The Richwood Rams are coming off a winless campaign a year removed from a play-off appearance the year before. Entering the third year for head coach Bakari Guice, the Rams want to revert back to their winning ways and get back to competing for another state championship appearance like in 2018.

The offense will have Trey Lane as the starting quarterback for the Rams and he has the physical attributes being 6'5 and having a strong arm. Jordan Perkins and Jaylen Caine will share carries at the running back position. Seth Taylor will be the Rams' top receiving target as well as other playmakers that will emerge throughout the course of the season. The offensive line will be an experienced overall strength on the team led by three year starter Christin Miller, three year starter Achilles Greer, who will also start on the defensive line, Courtney Burton, who has the ability to play center or guard, and Frankie Coleman.

Longtime coach for the Gridiron Football All-American Bowl Game James Taylor is the defensive coordinator for the Rams and will be operating that side of the football. The defensive front is talented led by Gridiron Football All-American Bowl Game invitee Jylon Dade at the bandit position. DE Brandon Butler, DE/OB Derrick Dickens, LB Marcus Vanburen, and LB Ricky Graves will lead a deep defensive front. Jylon's brother James Dade will play in the secondary as a defensive back and will be joined by Nick Wright in the backend.



The Richwood Rams will take on West Ouachita, Mangham, Wossman, Tioga, Sterlington, Lake Arthur, North Webster, Bastrop, and Carroll in 2025.



Bowl Game Invites: LB Jylon Dade

New Rosepine Head Coach David Weldon's Goal Is To Bring Tough Nosed Mentality Back To The Eagles

The Rosepine Eagles will have a new head coach entering the 2025 season in David Weldon. Weldon, who was recently the offensive coordinator and the interim head coach for the last game of the 2024 season, has been promoted to lead the Eagles full time. For Coach Weldon, he would want nothing more than to guide the program to new heights just like when Brad Ducote led the Eagles to back to back Quarterfinal appearances in 2021 and 2022.

"It is time to restore some of the old traditions and get back to the way that Rosepine football should be played. I preach violence. We are going to get after it. At the end of each game, our opponents know who they have played."

Coach Weldon has the type of team to put his old school philosophy into action. Two Eagles that have earned their invites to this year's Gridiron Football All-American Bowl Game happen to be offensive linemen in Patrick Gibson and Theodore Wogomon. According to Coach, both players have been the epitome of what it means to be a student athlete at Rosepine as both play with a violent streak, are always in the weight room, and just work tremendously hard.

Winning only one game a year ago, this is a big senior class that is hungry to get revenge from last season. Other seniors such as RB/MLB Devin Janice, QB/FS Jackson Carter, and DT/DE Caleb Preece have also bought into the message this offseason to be a physical team.

With Weldon taking the reins as the head coach,



Troy Gardner will take over the play calling duties on the offensive side of the football. Defensively, the Eagles will be aggressive in their 4-2-5 scheme.

This season, the Eagles will take on Westlake, Grand Lake, Kinder, Ascension Episcopal, Lake Arthur, Winnfield, Mansfield, Vinton, DeQuincy, and East Beauregard.



Bowl Game Invites: OL Theodore Wogomon ,
OL Patrick Gibson

Consistency and Discipline Stands Out For The Sacred Heart Trojans

Sacred Heart has improved their record the last two seasons under head coach Jacob Aguiard. After a winning season and a playoff appearance in 2024, Coach Aguiard has been pleased with what he has seen from the Trojans through their consistency and discipline.

"I would say that this year's group is the most complete group we've had in terms of guys that have been in the program. We've dealt with more turnover than we've had the last couple of years, but this is the most consistent program that we've had. The majority of these guys have been in the program for at least two years. A lot of times when you have the consistency and discipline built in, those wins end up following that."

The Trojans' offense returns a lot of experience at the skill positions including at quarterback, running back, wide receiver, and tight end. Leading the way is three year starter Ashton Duos, who is the team's best player. At 5'11, 180 pounds, Duos will have multiple roles with the team including at running back, fullback, and linebacker. He and fellow three year starter Sam Lafleur bring stability to the team as Lafleur will be the unquestioned leader in the trenches on both sides of the football. The Trojans also return their quarterback Ellis Fuselier, who came back from injury late last season and has put in a lot of work during the offseason. The offensive line is talented, but young, returning only two starters in Lafleur and Lane Joubert.

The defensive line does not have a lot of big guys, but versatile athletic guys that are strong and can also drop back in coverage if needed.



The defensive front will include guys like Lafleur, Joubert, Landon Fontenot, who started as a freshman last year, Alex Clark, and Rylan Soileau, who started as a sophomore. Those guys will obviously be a part of that young offensive line as well. Duos sets the pace in the linebacking room, but Drew Mayeux, Seth Guillory, who also plays tight end, and Wyatt Perry make up a good group. In the secondary, the defense returns two safeties that started their sophomore years in Ellis Chapman and Jax Fontenot, who will also start at wide receiver.

Sacred Heart will start the season against Oakdale, Pine Prairie, Basile, and Bolton before playing in one of the toughest 1A districts in the state against Opelousas Catholic, Westminster Christian Academy, St. Edmund, North Central, Catholic Pointe Coupee, and Berchmans Academy.



Bowl Game Invites: LB Ashton Duos, OL Sam Lafleur



Richard Oliver Starts Second Stint As Scotlandville Head Coach

Richard Oliver begins his second stint as Scotlandville's head football coach in 2025. Coach Oliver is familiar to the program as he has not only been an assistant coach on the staff the last couple of seasons, but he was the head coach of the program back in 2007 and 2008. He is excited about restoring the program and getting it back to its winning ways after a 2-8 campaign a season ago.

The Hornets' passing offense has the potential to become one of the best offenses in the state, bringing back third-year starting quarterback Genard Green. Green has two of the best playmakers in the district to throw the football to in WR/S Dwayne Ben and WR/S Brendin Perkins. The duo of Ben and Perkins will be a tough duo to defend against because of their big playmaking speed and explosive route running. RB Shawn Chester will pace the backfield and is a workhorse with his blend of power and speed. Damyreon Jones and Jeremy Wellington will be other receivers to watch, giving Green a full arsenal of dangerous weapons. Caleb Levy, Dontrell Turner, and Jacob Clark will lead a veteran offensive line. Altogether, this Hornets offense has a chance to be a high-powered, dynamic group capable of putting up points against anyone.

Defensively, the Hornets want to take advantage of their deep linebacking core led by Christian Williams, Gavin Williams, and Connie McFarland. Jeremiah Johnson, Dietrich Stewart, and Malik Pierre will lead the defensive front and bring relentless pressure up front. Finally, two-



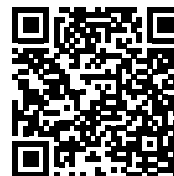
way stars like Ben and Perkins will pace the secondary, bringing athleticism, leadership, and experience to the back end of the defense.

The Scotlandville Hornets will take on John F. Kennedy, Plaquemine, McKinley, St. Amant, West Monroe, Zachary, Woodlawn, Catholic, Liberty Magnet, and Central this upcoming season.

With veteran leadership, electric playmakers, and a renewed sense of purpose under Coach Oliver, the Hornets are ready to turn the page and start a new chapter. Scotlandville is hungry, motivated, and looking to reclaim its spot among Louisiana's elite high school programs in 2025.



Bowl Game Invites: ATH Genard Green, WR/S Dwayne Ben, WR/S Brendin Perkins



The Slaughter Community Charger Knights Are Anxious To Make More History in 2025

The Slaughter Community Charter Knights are coming off their best year in school history winning eight games including the program's second ever playoff victory against Thomas Jefferson before eventually losing to 2A power Jewel Sumner in the second round of the always tough Division III Select Playoff bracket. After making some history in 2024, head coach Patrick Clarkston and the rest of the Knights are looking to make more history in 2025.

The Knights have many different weapons that could play in multiple different roles for the team this season. Gridiron Football Elite Camp stand-out Ty'Kimion Ford is one of the most versatile playmakers in the district. After starting at quarterback the last two seasons, Ford will move around all over the field including at wide receiver. He will also play some cornerback on the defensive side of the football. With 4.5/40 speed, he is always dangerous to make a play. Throwing Ford the football will be another do it all player in Carson "Turbo" Baxter, who will be the new starting quarterback this season after playing running back and outside linebacker. Kaden Wicker and Brannigan Givens will be the two running backs. Both are fast, aggressive runners that could become the first 1,000 yard rushers in school history this season.

Kaden Oakley will go both ways for the Knights at wide receiver and outside linebacker. Jack Gilkison is once again another player that brings versatility whether it is at quarterback, tight end,



*Bowl Game Invites: ATH Ty'Kimion Ford,
S Thomas Carter*

or safety. Three year starting center Haden Millican will lead the offensive line. Millican may not be the biggest, but he is a fundamentally sound player. Defensively, the Knights will be aggressive led by a couple of two way starters that were already mentioned, linebackers NaDorian and NaDrien Johnson, and of course, safety Thomas Carter. Carter is one of the best defensive backs in the district as a four year starter. His athleticism, explosiveness makes him a college prospect and is another guy that will play both ways at wide receiver.



The Slidell Tigers Have Confidence To Put It All Together In 2025

The Slidell Tigers had a disappointing season in 2024 going 2-8, but with a lot of experience and talent returning, there is a lot of optimism around the program heading into Damon Page's second season leading the program.

One of those experienced starters coming back is Ricky Williams, who has a year of starting experience at the quarterback position for the Tigers. New offensive coordinator Brett Bonaffons will utilize an experienced, athletic offensive line that also returns. Landon Bissel, Sterling Garrett, Tristan Jordan, and Shawn Williams are returning starters that will open up holes for RB Kewan Jones. The Tigers also have one of the best tight ends in the state returning in Jeremiah Birdlow, who at 6'4, 235 pounds, has committed to play for the UL Ragin' Cajuns. TE Andre Brown, WR Cortez Thompson, WR Michael Thompson, and WR Kris Whittington are other pass catching options in the pass game.

Defensively, Birdlow will also have an impact as a defensive end. Coach Page loves his defensive front as that has the potential to become the team's strongest position group. Along with Birdlow, Christian Cook-Wright, Elijah Cross, and Khagen White will play a big part in that veteran defensive front. Tyler Roberts leads a young, but talented linebacking corp while CB Eric Morgan will do the same thing with the secondary.

The Slidell Tigers will take on Lusher, Livingston Collegiate Academy, Warren Easton, Mandeville, Hammond, Fontainebleau, Covington, Salmen,



Chalmette, and Northshore this upcoming season. Coach Page says "that if the team can come together and continues to be fundamentally sound, then this 2025 Slidell team will be tough for any team to beat in 2025."

With a strong core of returning talent and leadership on both sides of the ball, the Slidell Tigers are poised for a major rebound in 2025. Coach Damon Page's vision is starting to take root, and with experience at quarterback, a physical offensive line, and a veteran defensive front, the pieces are in place. If the team stays healthy, sharpens its fundamentals, and continues to build chemistry, don't be surprised if Slidell turns heads this season and reclaims its winning identity.



Bowl Game Invites: OL Landon Bissel, OL Sterling Garrett, TE/DE Jeremiah Birdlow



Speedy South Plaquemines Hurricanes Seeking Back To Back State Championships For 2nd Time In Program History

The South Plaquemines Hurricanes had an incredible season to remember in 2024 as the Division IV Non-Select State Champions. The Hurricanes have been rising the ladder the last couple of seasons under head coach Lyle Fitte and it all accumulated when the Hurricanes made the transition to Division IV. After defeating the Haynesville Golden Tornadoes in the Superdome last season, the Hurricanes went back to work and are now hungrier than ever to try and do something that was accomplished at the school under former coach Cyril Crutchfield. That is, going back to back.

What helps their chances is returning quarterback Roderick Parker, who has been starting for the Hurricanes since his 8th grade year. He is coming off a great junior season in which he threw for 1,752 yards and 20 touchdowns while rushing for 400 yards and nine more scores. The Hurricanes will have to replace 1,000 yard rusher Jy'heim Williams, but they will do so by committee featuring Josh Barhelemy, Dean Ancalade, and Raymontae Jackson, who may be one of the best freshmen in the state. Sharonski Prout, who will also play in the secondary, is the team's leading returning receiver while 6'6 tight end Terrence Raphile is going to be a mismatch problem in the red zone.

Defensive coordinator Kendrick Smith believes that this year's team is the fastest he has been a part of, including last year's state championship team. The defense is especially fast all over the field. DE Hilry Thomas, who also starts on the



offensive line, has started since the 9th grade and is coming off a dominant season in which he had 21 TFLs. Two way standout Barhelemy returns at linebacker after having 85 tackles, 4 TFLs, and 2 INTs while fellow two way star Ancalade returns as the team's leading tackler with an impressive 130 stops. In the secondary, Ahmad Lewis was one of the state's leaders in interceptions last season with five.



Bowl Game Invites: LB Josh Barhelemy, ATH Rod Parker, DE Hilry Thomas

Southern Lab Wants To Get Back On Track For Third State Title In Five Seasons

The Southern Lab Kittens are one of the most accomplished 1A football powerhouses in Louisiana with eight state championships to their credit. Two of those state championships have come within the last four seasons for head coach Darrell Asberry. Although the Kittens had a good year last season finishing with an 8-4 record plus a Quarterfinal appearance, Coach Asberry believes that it is not good enough for the Southern Lab championship standard.

The offense returns one of the top quarterbacks in the entire state in Delaware State commit Jerry Bottley IV. The 6'3, 180-pound dual-threat quarterback is coming off an All-State season with 3,236 total yards and 35 total touchdowns. Bottley has a lot of weapons to throw the ball to including 1st Team All-District WR Anthony Weatherspoon, who was a hero in the 2023 state championship game, and All-State WR Denim Hunt, who had 30 catches for 702 yards and 8 TDs in 2024. Caden Trumble, Logan Dauphine, Jayce Wright, Jayden Hatch, and Kohen Griffin will be other receivers that will shine in the Kittens' offense as well as on defense. Leading the offensive line is three-star All-State selection Sami Abdelhak, who at 6'3, 315 pounds, can play all five positions on the offensive line. Abdelhak's top four colleges right now are South Alabama, Arkansas State, Tulane, and ULL. Jaydan Thomas is the Kittens' left tackle and he is big, tall, and has a long wingspan.

Creston Hawkins will play not only on the defensive line, but he will also help out on the offensive line. Coach Asberry calls him a "bully in the

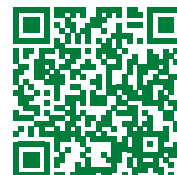


yard" and expects a lot of great things from him this season along with standout lineman Eneas Lewis. The Kittens will have a young, but talented secondary on the defensive side of the football featuring multiple two-way players that will gain valuable experience early in the season. Despite their youth, Coach Asberry believes this defensive unit has the speed and instincts to be one of the better secondaries in 1A by season's end.

With Bottley's leadership, a proven coaching staff, and a high standard of excellence already in place, Southern Lab is poised to make another deep playoff run. The returning star power on both sides of the ball combined with a renewed hunger to return to the top has the Kittens ready to roar louder than ever in 2025.



Bowl Game Invites: QB Jerry Bottley IV, OL Sami Abdelhak, WR Anthony Weatherspoon, WR Denim Hunt



New Head Coach De'Aumante Johnson and Big Name Coaching Staff Take On Task Of Ending Losing Streak At Southwood

The Southwood Cowboys are looking to finally put an end to their winless streak that dates back to 2019 and taking on that task is new head football coach De'Aumante Johnson. Johnson has a track record of being around great programs as he played and coached at Grambling, was the head coach at Bossier, and has been an assistant at Calvary Baptist where he won a state championship. Coach Johnson also assembled a top notch coaching staff that includes former Parkway quarterback and Centenary offensive coordinator Keondre Wudtee as well as former Parkway and Mississippi State safety CJ Morgan as the defensive coordinator. This all-star coaching staff is determined to end a 46 game losing streak and bring pride back to Southwood.

"You are going to see a good ball club. A lot of young men are going to represent Southwood High School and all of the greats that came before them. This is what you can expect to see about the product being on the field. We are going to come out, do things the right way, and represent Southwood the best we can."

With Coach Wudtee leading the offense, the expectation is to score a lot of points. Jayden Carter returns as the starting quarterback for the Cowboys to lead the offense. Chris Sheppard, who has been a standout performer at the Gridiron Football elite camps, Nyangadzai Jenya, and James White will be Carter's top go to wide receivers. Christian Green and Jarvis Washington are going to take charge in the running game.



Green can play multiple positions whether it is at running back, wide receiver, or safety.

Defensively, Winfred Avant, Jeremiah Green, John Rachal, Kamron Demery, and 6'4, 360 pound nose tackle Mason Whitley will lead the way up front. In the backend, Sheppard, Green, and second year starter Evan Dooley will make sure nobody beats them over the top.

This year, the Cowboys will take on Arcadia, North Caddo, Loyola, Bossier, Woodlawn (Shreveport), North DeSoto, Northwood, Booker T. Washington, and Minden.



Bowl Game Invites: ATH Christian Green, WR/DB Chris Sheppard, DB Evan Dooley



Approaching 20 Years, Ryan Serpas Is Still Going Strong At Springfield

For the last 18 years, the Springfield Bulldogs have been led by Ryan Serpas as their head coach. Being at one place for that long is an impressive feat and shows the strong relationship between Serpas and the Springfield community. For the previous 17 seasons, the Bulldogs made the playoffs 15 times and plan on making it again in 2025.

The Bulldogs will have a new quarterback this season and will adjust their offense to the strengths of their most dynamic athlete Ethan Lipscomb, who has the ability to take any play to the house. Lipscomb had a great Gridiron Football Elite Camp at John Curtis High School and has shown elite speed and agility that will make him a serious playmaker this fall. Protecting Lipscomb is a veteran offensive line that will include Dawson Register, Cole Matheme, and Logan Milton—each bringing size, experience, and leadership up front.

Anthony Williams led the team in tackles as a sophomore at linebacker and had to step up and play running back last season. Because of his experience, Williams will get the opportunity to play both ways and be a key contributor on both sides of the ball. Similar to Williams, Ladyn May is another two-way standout that will be stepping up on offense. Pairing up with Williams, May led the team in tackles last season and has only grown in the weight room since his freshman year. Now heading into his senior season, May is now 6'1, 200 pounds and will contribute offensively at wide receiver/tight end. Three-year starter WR/CB Braylon Jones has also gotten bigger in the



Bowl Game Invites: WR Ethan Lipscomb

weight room and will be ready to take on a full season of playing football on both sides.

The Springfield Bulldogs will take on Broadmoor, St. John, Crescent City, Haynes Academy, Central Private, Jewel Sumner, Albany, Bogalusa, Amite, and Pine this upcoming season. With veteran leadership, a renewed focus on physicality, and young talent ready to rise, the Bulldogs are poised to make another strong playoff push in 2025. The team's dedication to growth, toughness, and execution continues to fuel their competitive fire—and the Springfield faithful have plenty to look forward to under the Friday night lights.



St. Edmund's Explosive Blue Jays Squad Seeking Another Deep Playoff Run In 2025

The St. Edmund Blue Jays certainly got fans excited last season by winning 10 games, making the Quarterfinals, and doing so by setting all kinds of offensive records along the way. Even though the Blue Jays will have to replace numerous veterans including QB Kane West and Gridiron Football All-American WR Blake Moran, the Blue Jays will still be among the favorites in Division IV Select to make a run at the state championship led by reigning District Coach of the Year James Shiver.

"We are going to score some points this year. That's what we do over here. We broke just about every record in school history not just this year, but three years in a row, we broke offensive school records. This year, I don't think anything different. We are going to be solid running it and we are going to be pretty dangerous passing it. Defensively, we are going to hit you. Come out there and enjoy the games because we think that you are going to enjoy it."

Offensively, the Blue Jays will have one of the best ground games in the state led by Nathan Driggs, who is going to have an expanded bell-cow role as the leading back after rushing for 600 yards last season. Driggs will have one of the best offensive lines in the state opening up holes for him in All-State selections: OT Charles Sonnier, who is one of the best tackles in the district, and OG Clay Aguilard. Benji Guillory, who has been arguably the team's most improved player



this offseason, and first year player Landen Marcantel will round up the offensive line. There is no question that the Blue Jays are going to run the football first, but when the Blue Jays do throw it, they have a talented passer in first year starter Nathan Zaunbrecher, who looks the part of a big time signal caller at 6'4, 175 pounds.

The defense will return the District Defensive MVP in Wyatt Dubois. The 5'11, 190 pound line-backer/safety has St. Edmund's coaching staff excited about potentially having a better season than he did in 2024. Two-way player Clay Aguilard and Ben Miller will join Dubois in the middle of the defense. Up front, Benji Guillory looks the part of a big time SEC player at 6'3, 250 pounds and will also play a big role on the defensive line. Finally, Owen Cart, Lannie Reed, Michael Peron, Paxton Meyers, and Camdyn Loewer round up a deep, talented secondary.



Bowl Game Invites: LB/S Wyatt Dubois, OL Charles Sonnier



Garrett Kreamer Hits The Ground Running With Talented St. Martinville Team

A new era begins at St. Martinville High School as former Evangel Christian, Paterson, and Lafayette High School head coach Garrett Kreamer will be leading the Tigers this season. Coach Kreamer takes over for Vincent DeRouen, who enjoyed plenty of success in his 10 years there including a 58-40 overall record and two semifinal appearances in 2018 and 2020. The talent pool has always been there at St. Martinville so Coach Kreamer is plenty excited about the opportunity to lead the program.

"I love it here at St. Martinville. We got a great group of players that have been working hard. Summer has been really good. We are learning offensive and defensive schemes right now. We are ready to put the pads on and excited about the opportunity being at St. Martinville now."

The Tigers have one of the most talented quarterbacks in the area coming back in Khyrie Francisco. At 6'1, 200 pounds, Francisco has all the physical tools that you need in a great quarterback as he has good size, a good arm, athletic ability, and has taken the next step in his leadership skills as well. K.J. Fontenette is going to be Francisco's top receiving target as he can do a little bit of everything. Fontenette will also have an extended look on defense in the secondary. Ky'Lun Skipper is a dynamic playmaker that is a threat to score any given play that he touches the football. He will play all over the field including at running back, wide receiver, and defensive back.

All-District linebacker Kohen Clues is one of the best defensive players in the state after having



104 tackles, 12 TFLs, 18 QB hurries, 3 fumble recoveries, 2 field goal blocks, 8 pass break-ups, and 1 INT. He will have extended time on the offensive side of the football at running back and tight end. Like Clues, Zyrian Johnson brings physicality and energy to the team. He has also been productive as a 1st Team All-District selection at tight end, defensive end, and linebacker. The offensive line will be a strength for the Tigers as they will be big and experienced in the trenches returning guys like Bobby Harris, Samuel Coleman, and Jatyrian Boudreaux. All three will also contribute on the defensive line.

Under the leadership of Garrett Kreamer, the Tigers are looking to play fast and physical while utilizing their athletic talent. St. Martinville will take on Cecilia, Lafayette, Breaux Bridge, Parkview Baptist, Woodlawn (B.R.), Westgate, Jeanerette, Erath, Abbeville, and Kaplan this season.



Bowl Game Invites: QB Khyrie Francisco, LB Kohen Clues, WR K.J. Fontenette, LB Zyrian Johnson, ATH Ky'Lun Skipper



The St. John Eagles' Physical, Gritty Brand Looks To Turn The Corner In 2025

The St. John Eagles have made the playoffs in back-to-back years under Bryan Troxclair. Troxclair, who was part of the 2006 state championship runner-up team at St. John as an offensive lineman, is bringing that physical, gritty style of football to the Eagles. Although the Eagles made the playoffs with a 3-7 record, that record could have been even better with a couple of games that were there for the taking in the fourth quarter. With an experienced team full of juniors and seniors, St. John is looking to turn the corner in 2025.

With the help of longtime coach Ron LeJeune, the Eagles will once again be running the Wing T offense. St. John's offense has a chance to be good once again as it returns the entire backfield. Four-sport athlete Tyler Edwards returns as a three-year starter at quarterback and is the epitome of what St. John football is all about. Bruising fullback Nathan Burleigh returns as the workhorse back after rushing for over 800 yards and 14 touchdowns last season. Gridiron Football Elite Camp standout Ahmad Wilson will be the running back and had an explosive year averaging eight yards per carry for 915 yards and nine touchdowns. Daniel Braud and two-way starter Jordan Dorsey could also get some carries in the backfield.

James Clark really turned the corner last season and was one of the most physical players on the team. He will anchor the offensive line and get some playing time on the defensive line. TE/DL Maddox Quebedeaux is another physical player with the athleticism to be a route runner too. The



3-4 defense should be improved this season led by LB Cole Markins, who will anchor the unit. Markins, Landen Daigle, and Patrick Bueche could make this a dominant linebacking core. Finally, Dorsey will lead the secondary as a starting cornerback.

With leadership, toughness, and experience at key positions, the 2025 Eagles are ready to take the next step. Their commitment, unity, and blue-collar identity reflect a team built to battle and thrive. St. John is a team on the rise, fueled by heart, tradition, and the unwavering belief that this is their year to soar.

Bowl Game Invites: FB/H-Back Nathan Burleigh



New Head Coach Chris Truax Brings College Experience To St. Louis Catholic

St. Louis Catholic is starting a new era as longtime high school and college coach Chris Truax has been hired to lead the Saints program. Coach Truax, who was a member of the 1988 LSU Football SEC Championship Team, has over 25 years of high school and college coaching experience including stops at Stephen F. Austin, Northwestern State, and McNeese State. With five conference championships to his credit, Coach Truax is called to bring stability to a program that finished last season with a 1-10 overall record.

"You get these opportunities that are presented to you and they don't come around very often, but when a job like St. Louis comes available and you have the talent pool that they have over there and the right coaches involved, you have to take advantage of it."

The Saints have a big coaching staff with 13 on the staff including most notably Louisiana's all-time leading wide receiver Trey Quinn and former McNeese State defensive lineman Jonta Jones as the defensive coordinator. A lot of the coaches along with Truax are bringing college experience back to St. Louis Catholic.

Offensively, the Saints do return their quarterback Konner Boudreaux, who is also a standout starting pitcher for the baseball program. McKylin Carrier, who is the nephew of former McNeese State head coach Lance Guidry, will return at the running back position. Josh Carrier is a standout for the Saints on both sides of the football as a running back and as a defensive end. Carrier is coming off a successful camp circuit this off-season. The offensive line returns three starters up



front including Dayton Rowland, Austin Hebert, and Lane Cryer while top receiving targets include Trace Moreaux, Harrison Hunt, and Fisher Willis.

Defensively, the Saints will be strong up front led by Carrier, who led the team in tackles last season with 100, Holden Bertrand, and Kyle Lebato. Bertrand has been a productive player over his prep career as a tight end/defensive end while Lebato is one of the top nose guards in 3A football. All three linebackers also return in team leader Ty Willis, Brayden Boudreaux, and Matt Hebert, who was second on the team in tackles and led the team in interceptions. Hayden Hill, Kullen Miller, and B.J. Willis makes up the rest of the defense in the secondary.

The St. Louis Catholic Saints also have one of the best special teams units in the state led by another two way star TE/DB Clayton Powell, who will make an impact on special teams too as he is also one of the top deep snappers in the United States. Kicker Will Flavin is expected to be one

of the best kickers in the state after being a Top 3 finisher in Alabama's kicking camp this off-season.



Bowl Game Invites: QB Konner Boudreaux, LB Ty Willis, DE Holden Bertrand



St. Thomas More's Football Powerhouse Is Once Again A Threat To Compete For A State Championship

Hall of Fame head coach Jim Hightower has built a football factory at St. Thomas More. With 482 career victories, Coach Hightower is the second winningest football coach in the history of Louisiana High School Football. Most of that success has come over the last 36 years at STM with 378 wins and five state championships with four of those titles coming in the last six years.

"Our kids had a great offseason, great summer of work, and when you develop those work habits, you get that character of wanting to become the best that you can be and usually good things happen. That's what I am looking forward to with this group. They have shown us that they are willing to do the work and if they develop that team chemistry, we are looking for good things."

As always, St. Thomas More will be talented and productive at the quarterback position. The Cougars have one of Louisiana's most talented passers coming back in Cole Bergeron. Recently, the 6'4, 215 1st Team All-District quarterback made his college decision by committing to play for the Virginia Tech Hokies. Physically, there are not a lot of weaknesses to Bergeron's game as he has a rocket arm, great accuracy, and has 4.5/40 speed to boot. Entering his second year as a starter, Bergeron is looking to start the season in similar fashion as he ended last year. With offensive gurus like Coach Hightower and Shane Savoie calling the offense, the Cougars will not only have the ability to throw, but run too.

Carter Melancon is a dependable runner that knows how to hit the holes and is very tough to



tackle with his lower body. Melancon will run behind an experienced offensive line that returns center Myles Sherrill and right guard Tyler Ritz. Braxton Latiolais, Jayden Brown, and Gray Shivers will be new starters up front. The ceiling of this offense will be determined on how this wide receiving core develops. Bergeron has spent a lot of time during the offseason with the wide receivers and they have the ability to take the next step. Christian Breaux is without a doubt WR1 as his 6'3 frame and route running ability will make him a productive receiver in the offense. Other guys like WR Aiken Bond, WR Jared Quoyeser, and TE Mason Mouton could be breakout candidates to fill depth behind Breaux.

The defense will have to rely on a veteran defensive line to right the ship for a young group. Three year starters DE Cayden Dartez and DT Conner

McAtee are disruptors that can not only stop the run, but can rush the passer. That duo along with DT Austin Pellerin and DE Drew Voorhies will have to step up as the Cougars have to replace two linebackers and two cornerbacks. Ian Holean has the most experience at linebacker as Tristan Klock, Sawyer Roberts, and Landon Biennu will be new contributors. In the secondary, Xarian Babineaux, John David, and returning starter Landon Ortte will also have to grow up in a hurry.

A young team and playing against a tough schedule, St. Thomas More's championship pedigree always prepares them for the big moments.

Bowl Game Invites: QB Cole Bergeron, DE Cayden Dartez, OL Myles Sherrill, DL Conner McAtee, RB Carter Melancon

Talented Terrebonne Tigers Want State Championship After First District Title Since 2010

The Terrebonne Tigers have consistently produced college talent under the leadership of head coach Tyler Lewis. The Tigers have also won a lot of games under Lewis with the program winning their first district championship since 2010 and beating powerhouse Destrehan while doing so. While winning district and hosting a playoff game with an 8-3 overall record was a good season, Coach Lewis expects this talented roster full of DI commitments and recruits to compete for a state championship in 2025.

The Tigers will return their veteran quarterback Owen Oliver. Protecting him is one of the best offensive lines in the entire state led by three DI commitments in O'Ryan Mosley (North Texas), Tadan Bingham (Louisiana Tech), and Christopher Stewart (Southern). They will open up holes for one of the best 1-2 punches in the state in four star RB Alvin Celestin and Quincy Adams, who both ran for 1,000 yards a piece last season. Terrance Diggs and Ak'hiree Parker are two young but talented receivers with Parker already receiving an offer from Troy and Diggs already being recognized as a team captain.

Defensively, the Tigers will be young, but talented. Arkansas Monticello commit Julian Coleman and Kolvin James will lead the defensive front. Christian Matherne, All-State selection Mason Coleman, who is Julian's younger brother, and Brason Bonvillian lead a veteran linebacking group. The secondary will feature longtime veteran Chris Deleste at strong safety, Kevin Bass Jr.



at free safety, Kalum Verdin at cornerback, and Jeremiah Sylvester at cornerback. Chase Stewart and Malik Matthews will get a lot of playing time there as well.

With proven leadership, a dominant offensive line, explosive playmakers, and a hunger to build on last year's success, the Terrebonne Tigers are primed to make a serious push for the 2025 state championship.

Bowl Game Invites: RB Alvin Celestin, OL O'Ryan Mosley, DB Chris Deleste, OL Tadan Bingham, OL Christopher Stewart, DE Julian Coleman



Michael Courville Takes Championship Knowledge Back To Alma Mater Teurlings Catholic

For the first time in 30 years, there will not be a Charpentier leading the Teurlings Catholic Rebels. Both Sonny and Dane Charpentier have achieved a lot of success combining to have a 259-105 overall record. Now at East Ascension as an assistant coach, Dane Charpentier left the program in good standings after a 10-2 Quarterfinal finish last season. Looking to continue the momentum of the program is new head coach Michael Courville. Although Courville is a new head coach, he has been around two championship programs under his dad Tony Courville at Carencro and most recently under Hudson Fuller at Catholic High. Coach Courville is excited as a Teurlings Catholic alum to continue that winning tradition.

"It's an honor and a privilege at Teurlings Catholic to be a head coach. Being a former player at Teurlings Catholic and now being the head coach, it is something that is really surreal. I can't be more thankful for the position that I am in."

What makes a transition easier for a head coach is to have a veteran quarterback leading the way. All-District QB Alex Munoz comes back after accounting for over 2,000 yards and 16 touchdowns. Munoz is a great leader for the team and is a cerebral player that is athletic and makes the right decisions. Munoz will have some talented pass catchers to throw the ball to in Nick Celestine Jr., Andrew Viator, and Quinn Simon. Former quarterback A.J. Price has adjusted to his new role at tight end and will be a big piece of the offense. RB Cason Evans is a home run hitter every time he touches the football after scoring

six touchdowns last season. When healthy, he is one of the best running backs in South Louisiana. The offensive line will return two starters including All-District guard Drake Perry and right tackle Thomas Cramer. New starters Joshua Burrows, Colston Colivier, and Jack Matthews round out the offensive line.

Defensively, the Rebels will return All-District DE Andrew Fruge. Fruge is one of the best defensive players in the area and plays with a high motor. He will be joined by returning starter Jack Snyder at the other end position. Three year starter Jaxon Broussard, Seth Miller, and Carter Macha all bring experience to the linebacking room. That will help a young secondary that has to replace former Gridiron Football All-American DB Kaleb Daniels (Arkansas Monticello) as one starter does return in Kaden Chavis. Jacob Dean, Alec Castille, and Luke Hebert will be new starters in the defensive backfield. Finally, Logan Boudreaux will handle both kicking and punting duties.

Year 1 of the Michael Courville era starts this season against Opelousas, Sam Houston, Notre Dame, Westgate, Comeaux, Rayne, North



Vermilion, East Ascension, St. Thomas More, and Northside.



Bowl Game Invites: DE Andrew Fruge, OL Drake Perry, QB Alex Munoz

New Head Coach Dan Christman Wants To Air It All Out At Tioga This Season

The Tioga Indians will have a new, but familiar name leading the program in 2025 after longtime coach Kevin Cook resigned. Coach Cook had a great 10 years with the program guiding the Indians to a 72-43 record during that time period including two district titles in 2019 and 2020. Although Coach Cook will be leaving the program, it is going to be longtime assistant Dan Christman that will be looking to continue the consistency of the program. As the Indians' athletic director and track and field coach, Christman wants his offenses to go up and down the field just like a lot of his track meets.

"We are going to play really hard and we are going to be aggressive. If it is 2nd and 1, I want to air it out. I told the players to have fun and let's see what happens."

QB Cace Malone is definitely licking his chops to get back on the football field leading the Indians' spread offense. Entering his third year as the starting quarterback, Malone is the unquestioned leader of not only the offense, but the team as well. He will have some great weapons to throw the football to as well highlighted by Kervin Johnson, who at 6'4, 195 pounds, has received offers from Louisiana Tech, Grambling, and McNeese State. Malone will also throw the football to Karlinsky Loyd, who is having a great 7v7 campaign and will also play some defensive back as well. He is the younger brother of former Gridiron Football All-American Josh Loyd. Other offensive weapons to watch out for are WR/DB Angelo Shelton, WR Christian Iles, and TE/DE



Tarver Landry. Tucker Landry, who recently has received an offer from LCU, will lead the offensive line as the starting center.

Coach Christman also wants his 4-2-5 defense to be aggressive as well. Besides the names that were mentioned earlier like Kervin Johnson and Karlinsky Loyd, another name to keep an eye on is LB Kohen Henry, who has a high football IQ and makes sure to line everybody up where they are supposed to be.

The Indians will have a tough schedule this year playing the likes of Sterlington, Leesville, Pineville, Richwood, Wossman, West Ouachita, Grant, and Franklin Parish.



Bowl Game Invites: WR Kervin Johnson, QB/LB Cace Malone, LB Kohen Henry, WR/DB Karlinsky Loyd. C Tucker Landry



The U-High Cubs Are Hungry As Ever For A State Championship

There might not be a team more anxious to get back on the football field this year than the U-High Cubs. As one of the favorites to compete for a state championship last season, the Cubs received some bad news as it was announced they had to forfeit seven games on the season, which kept them out of the playoffs. This year, the Cubs are still just as talented and hungry as ever to compete for their seventh state championship and their first since 2021. Offensive coordinator Alex Durand likes how the team has approached the offseason.

"When we got back from Christmas break in January, we raised the bar with our offseason program and set the standards. Our guys have answered every challenge that we threw at them. They've had a tremendous offseason and are extremely hard working. One thing about this team is that there's a lot of "we" not "me". They play together and for each other. Because there's a lot more team focus, we will see a lot of wins on the field."

The U-High Cubs have a new quarterback under center after two year starter Emile Picarella (LSU) graduated. The new starter will be Ethan McGlynn, who is a great athlete that can not only throw, but extend plays with his legs. He will have a great supporting cast around him including a dynamic 1-2 punch at running back. Gridiron Football Elite Camp Top Performer Sage Ingram may be one of the most underrated running backs in the state after rushing for nearly 500 yards and four touchdowns last fall. He will share carries with standout junior running back Corbin Odell, who recently picked up his first offer from Grambling, and is coming off a breakout sophomore year rushing for 421 yards and seven touchdowns. Despite having to replace Gridiron Football All-American Preston Jones (Nicholls), the Cubs will have one of the best offensive lines in the state led by 5 star Lamar Brown, three year starter Lawson Guidry, Jordan Pinnock, Maison Smith, Jacques Hart, and tight end Charlie Pettit. Lawson Dixon will stretch the defense and brings a whole lot of versatility at running back, wide receiver, and even wildcat quarterback. Cooper Odle is another great athlete that might get snaps under center.

The defense has to replace All-State linebacker Keylan Moses (LSU), but it is still anchored by a future LSU Tiger in Lamar Brown. At 6'5, 300 pounds



Bowl Game Invites: RB Sage Ingram, CB Erin Moore, QB Ethan McGlynn, DL Lamar Brown, DE Jordan Pinnock, OL Lawson Guidry, ATH Lawson Dixon

with 4.9/40 speed, Brown is not only a five star defensive lineman, but he is the number one player ranked in Louisiana. Brown made his commitment to the Tigers before the season in order to focus on leading the Cubs to a title. ULL commit Jordan Pinnock will make it tough for any offensive line to block. Former Gridiron Football Junior High All-American Talamesi Albert, Christian Shaw, Bradley Goodson, and Jackson Hester will rotate on the defensive line. Leading tackler Lane Mixon, Kayden Sims-Grassi, DJ Coleman, and James Upton will form the linebacking core. Navy CB commit Erin Moore, Emmanuel Moses, Ben Picarella, Lorenzo Cooper, and Kameron Grisby round up a talented back end. Finally, Mason Melancon will be the starting kicker/punter while Dixon will return both kickoffs and punts.

The Cubs will take on Woodlawn, Rummel, Catholic, Collegiate, St. Paul's, Mentorship, Glen Oaks, Parkview Baptist, Madison Prep, and Port Allen this season.



The Westminster Christian-Lafayette Chargers Build On Electric First Season In LHSAA

The Westminster Christian-Lafayette Chargers made a great impression in their first season in the LHSAA. The Chargers exceeded expectations by not only having a winning season achieving a 7-4 overall record, but also pushing 1A contender Opelousas Catholic to the brink in a 34-33 first round defeat. In his second year leading the program, Kent Gable has brought a lot of excitement to the team and given his championship background as an athletic director and offensive coordinator at Acadiana the previous six years, more wins are to come to this upstart program.

"Last year, there were not a lot of expectations from the outside, but within our walls, we thought we could have a successful season and we did that. It really set the foundation for the future."

Now, the Chargers are looking to build on the first year's success and prove that it was not a fluke. Although the team returns only four seniors, a lot of starters do return. Offensively, the Chargers have a talented backfield that includes a quarterback and a three headed monster at running back. Aiden Delcambre returns under center after throwing for 462 yards and 5 TDs last season. Opposing defenses will have to account for a deep running back rotation that includes 1st Team All-District selection Ethan Simon, Gavyn Hebert, and freshman Pierce Gable. The trio combined for nearly 1,800 yards and 25 touchdowns in the split back veer offense that Coach Gable ran when he was at Acadiana. The trenches on both sides of the football are much improved from last season. Including the tight end, 5 of the 6 starting offensive linemen are now over 200 pounds. This front will feature Kaleb Romero, Hudson Adams, Watson Delahoussaye, Maddox Bertrand, Michael Landry, and tight end Dane Fontenot.

All of those guys will also command the defensive line too. The linebackers all have the ability to run sideline to sideline. That group will be led by running backs Simon and Gable. The secondary is led by a special sophomore in Luke Davis, who already showed to be a big time contributor as a freshman last season with three interceptions and four pass breakups. If needed, Davis can also play linebacker for the team as well. Andre Green has also been raved about as a versatile player that can play multiple positions



including in the secondary. Marlon Reed, Zade Prejean, and Zack Ortis can all cover and round out a talented defensive backfield. Carter Thibodaux will handle both kicking and punting duties for the Chargers.

Westminster Christian-Lafayette will take on Albany, Hamilton Christian, Westminster Christian-Opelousas, Ascension Christian, East Beauregard, Vinton, Highland Baptist, Gueydan, Ascension Episcopal, and Vermilion Catholic in their second season of LHSAA action.



Bowl Game Invite: RB Gavyn Hebert

Westminster Christian (Opelousas) Crusaders Now Have Year of Expectations After Being On The Rise The Previous Two Seasons

One of the hottest upstart programs in the state of Louisiana is the Westminster Christian Academy (Opelousas) Crusaders. Under the leadership of head coach Byron Porter, the young program has gotten better and better. After winning six games and making the playoffs in 2023, the Crusaders took it a step further winning eight games along with a playoff win against Delta Charter. Now, with the team improving their record the last two seasons, Porter wants his team to take another big jump in 2025.

"This year is the year of expectations. We have been building and progressing the last two years. We got a lot of kids back that have played the last two years. It is a different atmosphere. The culture has changed and our goal and our focus is to do better than last year. The kids have been working hard. We are going to be smart, fast, physical, and we are ready to represent our school."

It is easy to have those high expectations when Stephen George is returning for his fourth year as the Crusaders' starting quarterback. Coach Porter calls George a triple threat as he can beat defenses with not only his arm and legs, but his mind as well. Even though the backfield will have to replace former Gridiron Football All-American Michael Cunningham, the Crusaders do have one of the best young football players in the state of Louisiana in RB/LB Kyle Horde. As a sophomore, Horde was an All-State linebacker with 127 stops last season. The offensive line returns three starters up front.



Defensively, the Crusaders have two excellent safeties in 1st Team All-District selection Evan Lemon, who Coach Porter calls a Swiss Army Knife, and Gavin Frith, who Porter says is the most underrated player in the district. What also helps is that the Crusaders return their three top tacklers from last season in Horde, Lemon, and LB Jack Hunt.

Finally, the Crusaders have one of the best kickers in the state in 1st Team All-District and All-Parish selection Mac Proffitt, who will handle all the kicking duties.

WCA will start their season against Pine Prairie, St. Martin's, and WCA-Lafayette before getting into their tough district schedule against Catholic Pointe Coupee, Sacred Heart, Opelousas Catholic, Port Barre, Berchman's Academy, North Central, and St. Edmund.



Bowl Game Invites: QB Stephen George, S Evan Lemon



New Head Coach Tramon Douglas Wants To Turn Woodlawn Into Championship Program

A few seasons removed when former LSU quarterback Marcus Randall was the head coach of the Woodlawn Panthers and Tramon Douglas was the offensive coordinator, those roles are now reversed with Tramon Douglas being the head coach now. As a former record-setting wide receiver in the SWAC at Grambling, Douglas has reunited with his former quarterback at Glen Oaks to lead the Panthers program. After achieving success in producing guys like Rickie Collins (LSU/Syracuse) and Jordan Matthews (Tennessee/Vanderbilt), Coach Douglas wants to bring that excitement back to the program.

After a 5-5 season a year ago, the Panthers do return a lot of veterans including three year starting quarterback Ahmad Price. Price has a good arm and will have some talented wide receivers to throw the football to including Jaiden Robinson, Trinton Bennett, who was a standout at the Gridiron Football Elite Camp earlier this year, Aprilleo Sterling, and explosive playmaker Jordan Knox to name a few. Marcus Randall's son Cayden Randall is an incredible athlete that can play multiple positions including quarterback, wide receiver, and safety. Randall has received numerous offers from Grambling, Stephen F. Austin, Jackson State, Arkansas Monticello, and Southern. Returning starter Alton Phillips, Derrick Weatherspoon, and Kyle Lee will lead the offensive line.

The Panthers have one of the most dominant defensive fronts in the state led by the pass rushing



duo of Tyrone Morgan and Cedric Jones. At 6'4, 240 pounds, Morgan just committed to Baylor and is coming off an All-District campaign in 2024. He has a chance to be even more dominant in 2025. On the opposite side, Jones can be just as dominant and has a couple of DI offers himself including Mississippi Valley, Lamar, and Jackson State. Tyrus Gurney has emerged this offseason to play the interior. Cayden Randall and lockdown cornerback Jaylen Knox will hold it down in the secondary.

With veteran leadership, explosive talent on both sides of the ball, and a renewed coaching dynamic, the Woodlawn Panthers are primed for a breakout 2025 campaign, one that could reignite pride and tradition in Baton Rouge



Bowl Game Invites: DE Tyrone Morgan, S Cayden Randall, DE Cedric Jones, WR Aprilleo Sterling



Church Point Has Rare Blend of Youth and Experience Heading Into 2025

The Church Point Bears did a lot of good things last season with a very young team winning seven games and making the playoffs. Under third year head coach Rob Pool, the Bears have a rare blend of youth and experience after only graduating seven seniors last year. In all, five freshmen and eight sophomores earned starting roles. How the team grew from 2024 to 2025 could make a big difference for this upcoming season.

"We only lost seven kids so you kind of have the same football team. Most of the time in high school football, you are going to lose so many kids and it's a brand new team. This is one of the rare times that I've had the same football team for two years in a row. They are still young, but have great attention to detail and put in solid effort this summer."

The Bears will run a mixture of old school and new school for their offensive philosophy blending in the Wing T offense and Air Raid. No matter what formation the Bears will be in, the goal is to try and get Jarrison Reese the football. The All-District playmaker is positionless as he had just as many yards receiving as rushing with over 500 yards as a running back and 500 yards as a receiver. Whether it is at running back, in the slot, or even wildcat quarterback, Coach Pool is going to try and get number 13 involved. QB Luke Bauboin returns to engineer the offensive attack after throwing for over 1,100 yards and 11 touchdowns last season.

Blathon Citizen makes the transition from defense at rover to running back for his third year as a starter. Two year starter Noah Wiltz will be the team's split end as he does a great job in the short passing game and has really grown in his

route tree over the course of the summer. Other players will have an opportunity to make plays in the offense including WR Ky'len Monroe, TE Wesley Kirkpatrick, and WR Demarcus Boast. On the offensive line, there will be center Jeremiah Boyd alongside Jeremy Salazar, Slade Stelly, Herbert Willoughby, Brandt Lejeune, and Daxton Murphy.

Defensively, former Gridiron Football Elite Camp standout Jeremiah Boyd is one of the best defensive linemen in the area as the team's starting nose guard. He and Elijah Brooks will be a tough duo to block in the Bears' 3-4 defensive attack. All-District LB Chad Brooks returns for his fourth year as a starter and has the versatility to play some safety too after playing in the secondary last year. David Jenkins and Jordan Grissom are also All-District selections that will round up a strong front seven. In the secondary, Monroe and David Lejeune will patrol the back end. Meanwhile, Seth Alleman will handle both kicking and punting duties on special teams.

The Church Point Bears will take on North Vermilion, Marksville, Rayne, Mamou, Iota, Pine Prairie, Northwest, Crowley, Holy Savior Menard, and Ville Platte this season.



Bowl Game Invites: ATH Jarrison Reese



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Reid Chauvin: From Episcopal Standout to LSU Walk-On with Gridiron Football Roots

Reid Chauvin's journey to the LSU Tigers roster is a testament to perseverance, hard work, and hometown pride. A Baton Rouge native and graduate of Episcopal High School, Chauvin made a name for himself on the local gridiron long before earning a walk-on spot with the prestigious LSU football program.

At Episcopal, Chauvin excelled as a tough, reliable, and high-IQ running back. Known for his physical running style and strong work ethic, he earned respect not only from his teammates and coaches, but also from opposing defenses that struggled to bring him down. His senior season capped off a standout high school career that gained the attention of those who truly understand football talent, especially the evaluators at Gridiron Football.

In 2024, Chauvin was selected to compete in the Gridiron Football All-American Bowl, held at Memorial Stadium in downtown Baton Rouge. The event featured elite prospects from across the country, many of whom would go on to sign Division I scholarships. Chauvin's inclusion in the Bowl demonstrated just how much his game had grown. He used the national spotlight to showcase his versatility, toughness, and relentless motor, proving he could compete with top-level talent.

What separated Chauvin was his ability to embrace every opportunity. Despite being overlooked by major programs during the initial recruiting process, Chauvin never stopped grinding. His passion for the game and belief in himself led him to LSU, where he walked on to the team and is now living his dream as a Tiger. While he may not have had a scholarship offer initially, Chauvin is earning everything through his work on the practice field.

At 5'10" and 200 pounds, Chauvin brings power, vision, and a fearless running style to LSU's backfield. He's not just there to fill a jersey number, he's there to compete, contribute, and continue making a name for himself. Whether it's special teams, scout team, or eventually cracking the rotation, Chauvin embodies the type of grit that fuels championship programs.

Reid Chauvin's story is a reminder that stars don't define success, heart does. With his roots in Baton Rouge, a resume that includes the Gridiron Football All-American Bowl, and a Tiger jersey on his back, Chauvin is a name LSU fans should remember.

DITR: Johnny McCarty

If there's one name that stands out under the Friday night lights at St. Michael High School, it's Johnny McCarty. A rising senior wide receiver for the Warriors, McCarty is known for his reliable hands, highlight-reel catches, and unmatched leadership both on and off the field.

Since his freshman year, McCarty has been a critical part of the Warriors' offense. After a modest sophomore season (15 receptions, 200 yards, 3 TDs), he exploded during his junior campaign, finishing with 50 receptions for 764 yards and 8 touchdowns, earning 1st Team All-District, All-Metro, and All-State Honorable Mention honors. Standing at 6'1" and 190 pounds, his physical presence and consistent production make him a tough matchup for any defender.

Despite the accolades, McCarty has bigger ambitions for his senior year. He aims to surpass 1,000 receiving yards and 20 touchdowns while leading his team to a playoff run and a possible trip to the Superdome. But for McCarty, it's not just about personal stats—it's about changing the culture at St. Michael's and building something lasting.

McCarty's rise hasn't happened by accident. He has dedicated his offseason to improving his speed, strength, and agility, training under top coaches like Walt Williams, Mark Chilli, and Jordan Werner. His effort has paid off—he earned Top Performer honors at both the Gridiron Football 7v7 Tournament and the Gridiron Football Elite Camp.

His performance at the camp also earned him a coveted invite to the 2025 Gridiron Football All-American

Bowl Game at Louisiana Christian University, a goal he set back in his freshman year.

Though his recruiting process has had ups and downs, Ave Maria University has shown steady interest, with others like Huntingdon College, St. Olaf, and Puget Sound University also reaching out. With more exposure and a strong senior season, McCarty is poised to earn even more opportunities at the next level.

Off the field, McCarty is equally passionate. A student in St. Michael's Leadership and Faith class and an active Mass Man during school liturgies, he credits his faith, coaches, and family—especially his parents and Coach Leger—for helping him grow. He also plays golf to stay mentally sharp and enjoys being active in his school community.

Looking ahead, McCarty hopes to coach football after his playing career ends, blending his love for the game with his commitment to leadership and Christian values. Modeling his character after Joe Burrow and Tim Tebow, he strives to lead with humility and conviction.

"I'm a leader, I'm passionate, and I stand out on and off the field. I'm not perfect for everyone's program, but you'll regret not taking a player with the attributes I have."

Johnny McCarty is not just another receiver—he's a culture changer, a competitor, and a Warrior through and through.



DITR: Khyrie Francisco

St. Martinville quarterback Khyrie Francisco is poised to emerge as one of the breakout stars in the Acadiana area this upcoming season. Despite flying under the radar, the 6'1", 200-pound athlete possesses the tools to become one of Louisiana's premier signal callers. With 4.7-second 40-yard dash speed and a 33-inch vertical, Francisco is a dangerous dual-threat quarterback who can beat defenses with both his arm and legs.

After suffering a season-ending injury last year, Francisco has made a full recovery and is turning heads in the 7v7 circuit. He showcased his talent during the Gridiron Football 7v7 Tournament in January and has continued to build momentum heading into the fall. Confident in his abilities, Francisco boldly claims that "every area of my game is my biggest strength," signaling a player with supreme self-belief and the physical traits to back it up.

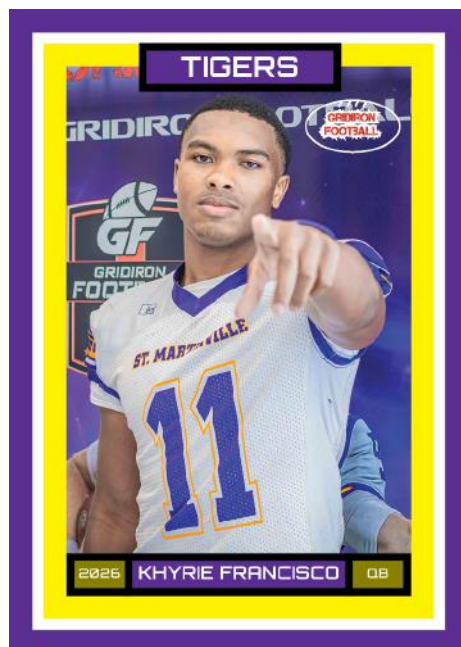
One of the major advantages Francisco has heading into his senior season is his strong relationship with head coach Garrett Kreamer, who previously coached him in 7v7. Coach Kreamer is widely respected as one of Louisiana's top quarterback developers, and the QB-HC familiarity is already paying dividends. Their bond, both on and off the field, has helped foster a positive culture shift at St. Martinville—one that Francisco is determined to lead by example.

Off the field, Francisco is taking strides to elevate his football IQ. This offseason, he has focused on improving his accuracy and mastering pre-snap reads. For Francisco, the most vital trait in a quarterback isn't arm strength or mobility, but intelligence. "The number one quality a quarterback should have is his football IQ, and I am always working on improving that," he says.

At Gridiron Football's Media Day, Francisco earned an invitation to the 2025 Gridiron Football All-American Bowl Game, a huge milestone that validates his talent and drive to compete at the next level.

Football has always been second nature to Francisco. From an early age, he's felt at home on the field and is open to playing anywhere he's needed, even at other positions, if it means helping his team. He describes himself as a "very coachable player" and "an athlete," underscoring his willingness to adapt and contribute however possible.

With strong coaching, natural athleticism, and a relentless work ethic, he has all the ingredients to make a major impact in 2025, and beyond. Keep an eye out for this under-the-radar talent as he aims to prove he belongs among Louisiana's elite.



DITR: Kohen Clues

St. Martinville High School linebacker Kohen Clues is quietly becoming one of the most impactful and underrated players in South Louisiana. At 6'1" and 200 pounds, Clues is a versatile, high-energy athlete with 4.5 speed and a hunger to dominate every snap. His leadership, confidence, and relentless work ethic make him not just the heart of the defense but also one of the Tigers' emotional leaders.

Last season, Clues showcased his all-around game by earning 2nd Team All-District honors. He posted eye-popping numbers: 104 tackles, 12 tackles for loss, 18 quarterback hurries, four fumble recoveries, a touchdown, an interception, and eight pass breakups. His tenacity earned him two Defensive Player of the Game awards and the respect of teammates and coaches alike. Though a linebacker by position, Clues patterns his play after hard-hitting NFL safety Kam Chancellor, embodying the same fearless and aggressive style.

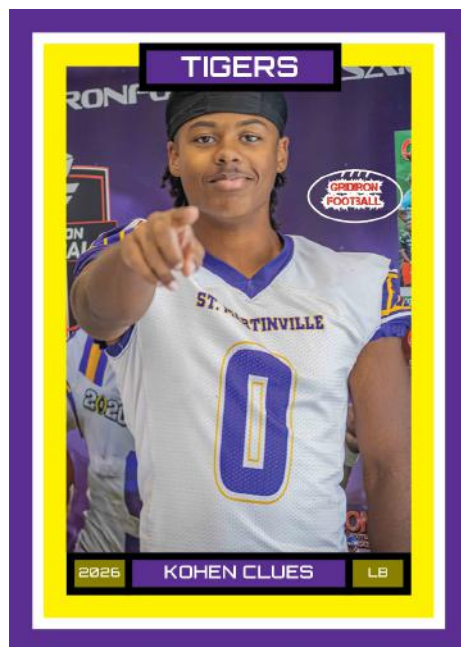
Confidence has become Clues' secret weapon. While he began playing football at 10 years old, it wasn't until the end of his sophomore season that he realized his potential. Since then, he's committed himself to becoming a leader, building up teammates, and maintaining a mindset that he's the best on the field every time he steps on it.

In addition to dominating on defense, Clues is preparing for a new challenge—playing running back. His speed and agility, which also made him a regional finalist in the 100-meter hurdles during track season, will make him a dual threat on both sides of the ball. For Clues, this is a dream come true, and he believes it will help boost his team's confidence heading into the season.

Off the field, Clues is just as focused. With a new head coach in Garrett Kreamer—someone he knows well from 7v7—Clues is confident that the culture at St. Martinville is headed in the right direction. Kreamer's emphasis on building strong men as well as strong players has deeply resonated with Clues.

As he heads into his senior season, Clues has received several college offers from schools like LCU, Arkansas Monticello, Tuskegee, Centenary, and more. The recruiting process is heating up, but Clues remains focused on earning more opportunities through his play this year.

Named to the 2025 Gridiron Football All-American Bowl Game, Clues is ready to show college coaches why he deserves to be considered one of the top players in the Class of 2026. With elite versatility, high football IQ, and unmatched competitiveness, he's determined to prove that no one wants it more than he does.



DITR: CJ Aguillard

CJ Aguillard, a dynamic 2027 wide receiver from Livonia High School, is turning heads in Louisiana and beyond. A former Gridiron Football Junior High All-American, Aguillard just made waves at the Mickey Joseph Grambling Football Camp, clocking the fastest 40-yard dash of the day with an official 4.44-second time, an explosive performance that earned him his first Division I offer from Grambling State University.

The offer meant more than just recognition, it was personal. CJ's grandfather attended Grambling, and the legacy fueled his motivation. "My goal heading into the camp was to get the offer because my grandpa went to Grambling State. It plays a big part in my family," said Aguillard. That personal drive, paired with intense training from his coach Keith Ballard, pushed him to give his all, and it paid off.

After initially posting a 4.5, Ballard encouraged him to give it one more go. "He told me, 'Go up there and bust it open.'" CJ did just that, exploding through the line for a blazing 4.44. Grambling coaches were watching, and they didn't wait long to offer him on the spot during 1-on-1 drills.

While the 40-yard dash stood out, Aguillard's complete performance is what sealed the deal. "The 40 is important for recruiting, but showing your actual receiver skills is the most important part because, at the end of the day, we're playing football," said CJ. He showed his elite separation and route-running ability in drills, proving his speed translates into real play-making on the field.

Standing 5'8" and weighing 155 pounds, Aguillard might not be the biggest receiver, but his production

speaks volumes. In his sophomore season (2024), he racked up 1,441 all-purpose yards and 11 touchdowns, earning All-District honors. He's explosive, smart, and confident. "I always feel like I'm the best on the field," said CJ. His ability to high-point the football, make tough catches, and generate big plays makes him a complete weapon.

With his junior season approaching, Aguillard is laser-focused on consistency and leadership. "My goal going into junior year is to help my team to a winning season. Be a leader and a team captain that my teammates can look up to." He continues refining his route precision and hands while balancing summer 7-on-7 play and additional camps like Northwestern and Southern University.

CJ also carries a 3.5 GPA, adding to his appeal for recruiters. "I'm willing to put my head down and work for every opportunity. I'm coachable, a good student, and I've got much love for the game of football."

Aguillard models his game after undersized but explosive stars like Tyreek Hill, Zay Flowers, Tank Dell, and LSU's Aaron Anderson. Like them, he uses speed and fearlessness to overcome size disadvantages.

Grambling may have been the first school to believe in CJ Aguillard, but it surely won't be the last. With blazing speed, unmatched work ethic, and leadership qualities, Aguillard is poised to become one of Louisiana's top 2027 recruits. Keep an eye on this Wildcat—he's just getting started.



DITR: Corbin Odell

Corbin Odell's 2024 season has turned heads, earning him recognition as one of the top players in the state. His breakout season included 733 rushing yards and eight touchdowns, helping propel the U-High Cubs to success while earning him a spot on the prestigious 1st Team All-District list.

Corbin Odell's journey to becoming one of U-High's most trusted offensive weapons wasn't an overnight success. Growing up in Baton Rouge and attending Galvez Middle School, he was drawn to football at a young age, with his natural athleticism quickly shining through. By the time he reached U-High, it was clear that Odell had the potential to be a major force on the field.

Standing at 5'10 and weighing around 200 pounds, Odell combines a strong physical presence with impressive agility for his size. His blend of speed, power, and football IQ has made him one of the most well-rounded running backs in Louisiana high school football for the 2027 class.

Whether it was a crucial third-and-short or a game-changing long run, Odell always seemed to rise to the occasion. His yards were not just a product of his physical abilities, but also his mental approach to the game. He often credited his focus and drive for his success.

"When I get the ball, I am just trying to get yardage. If we need to get three yards for the first down, I am going to do whatever it takes to get that."

Corbin Odell is not just another bruising running

back. His style of play sets him apart. He's adept at making defenders miss with sharp cuts, and his vision on the field allows him to identify gaps. When combined with his strength, Odell is not only tough to bring down but also capable of breaking off long runs and changing the game in an instant similar to some of the top young running backs in the NFL like Jahmyr Gibbs and Ashton Jeanty.

With his combination of size, speed, and work ethic, Corbin Odell is drawing increasing attention from college scouts. Recently, Odell received his first college offer entering his junior year from Grambling. While Odell is focused on continuing his improvement, his remarkable talent suggests that his future in football is incredibly bright.

"I have the most heart that you will see in a player. I am always working on getting better no matter if I did good or if I messed up. I am always going to look back and see what I performed well at and make sure to replicate it or I am going to ask around and see what I did wrong. I am always looking forward to getting better."

Corbin Odell has proven himself to be one of the top running backs in Louisiana high school football after one year of varsity football. As he continues to improve, it's clear that Odell's future in football is limitless, and his name will likely be heard on the recruiting circuit for years to come.



DITR: Skyler Edwards

Year after year, the St. Charles Catholic Comets are among Louisiana's most consistent and successful football programs. Under legendary coaches Frank Monica and Wayne Stein, the Comets reached the state championship game five consecutive times, winning two titles. After battling through injuries and making the jump to Class 4A last season, the Comets are on a mission to return to championship contention in 2025, and leading that charge is senior running back Skyler Edwards.

Skyler Edwards is no stranger to the big stage. Having played in the Super Dome three years in a row, the senior knows what it takes to compete at the highest level. Standing 5'10" and weighing 185 pounds, Edwards combines a powerful lower body, with a 525-pound squat max, with blazing 4.48 speed, making him a dual threat between the tackles and in the open field. He's accumulated 1,825 total career yards, including 882 yards and 8 touchdowns last season, even while battling through a tough transition year for the Comets.

Edwards is more than just a runner. He's a team-first athlete who believes that a great running back must also block, cut, and break tackles effectively. Inspired by Saquon Barkley, he models his game around making sharp cuts and maintaining balance after contact. Edwards has used

the offseason to enhance his vision and footwork, showcasing his commitment to improvement.

In addition to football, Edwards is a three-sport athlete, also competing in track and field, which he credits for maintaining his top-end speed. His 9'1 broad jump at the Gridiron Football Elite Camp turned heads, helping him earn Top Performer honors and an official invite to the 2025 Gridiron Football All-American Bowl Game.

For Edwards, representing St. Charles Catholic means everything. He cherishes the Friday night lights and the strong community that supports the team.

He also uses his time in the spotlight to further his college opportunities. While he currently has no official offers, Edwards is confident that continued strong play and exposure will attract recruiters. With a 3.2 GPA, strong character, and an unselfish attitude, he's the kind of player colleges need.

"I believe college coaches should have me in their program because I stay humble and get it done." Skyler Edwards

In 2025, don't be surprised if Skyler Edwards and the St. Charles Catholic Comets are right back in the championship conversation, with their humble, hard-working leader paving the way.



DITR: Maxwell Maurer

As the Catholic High Bears prepare for what could be a championship-winning 2025 season, one player at the heart of their title hopes is senior linebacker Maxwell Maurer. Known for his intelligence, toughness, and leadership, Maurer has become the defensive centerpiece for one of Louisiana's top Class 5A programs.

At 5'10" and 192 pounds, Maurer enters his third season as a starter with an already impressive career under his belt. He started making plays as a freshman with 29 tackles and hasn't looked back. As a sophomore, he recorded 75 tackles, 2 interceptions, and 3 fumble recoveries. His junior year was even better, 91 tackles, 4 fumble recoveries, and a clutch interception in the district championship win over Zachary. His consistency and production earned him 1st Team All-District honors.

Maurer doesn't just lead with his play, he commands the defense like a true "quarterback of the defense," understanding schemes and reading offensive alignments. He's a tireless worker, constantly preparing by watching film and perfecting fundamentals. For him, it's about being the best teammate and striving for team success over individual accolades.

Maurer's elite play has earned him a spot in the upcoming 2025 Gridiron Football All-American

Bowl Game and his first offer from Millsaps College. He's also been in contact with McNeese State and Stephen F. Austin, signaling that more college opportunities may be on the horizon.

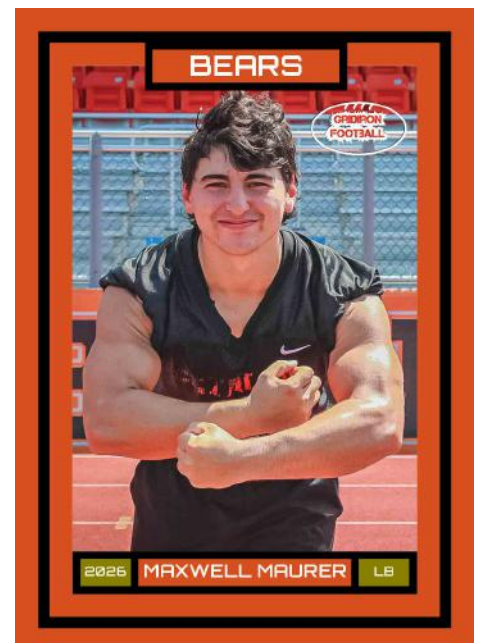
The senior linebacker is working hard this off-season, refining his agility, movement, and technique to help him read plays quicker. He models his game after NFL stars Patrick Queen and Fred Warner, combining smart positioning with toughness and range.

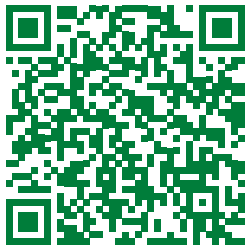
Maurer's passion for football began in the first grade, and what he enjoys most is the brotherhood it brings. Playing with lifelong friends and representing his school and family drives him to give his all every Friday night.

Now a four-year letterman and part of a 2023 state championship team, Maurer wants to end his Catholic High career with another ring. Focused, humble, and hungry, he embodies what it means to be a Bear.

"Finishing it out with a win is probably the best thing you can ask for as a high school player." – Maxwell Maurer

As Catholic High eyes another deep playoff run, Maxwell Maurer stands ready—anchoring the defense, leading with heart, and chasing one more championship.





Diamond in the Rough: Rowdy Armstrong The Heart of the Trenches at Walker High

Meet Rowdy Armstrong, the tenacious and intelligent center out of Walker High School in Louisiana, recently featured as Gridiron Football's Diamond in the Rough. Rowdy is the definition of a "glue guy," tough, smart, dependable, and the unshakable leader at the heart of the offensive line.

While he may not be the flashiest player on the field, Rowdy is the engine that keeps the offense running. From clean snaps to identifying defensive fronts and maintaining protection, he excels at the technical side of the game. His combination of strength, technique, and football IQ helps him dominate the trenches. Coaches and teammates alike praise his consistency and selfless dedication to the team.

What sets Rowdy apart is his relentless work ethic. He's always studying film, showing up early to practice, staying late to refine technique, and pushing his teammates to be better. His leadership is quiet but impactful, he leads by example and is respected for his attitude and discipline.

Off the field, Rowdy is just as committed. In a personal interview, he shared that his mother introduced him to football and remains his biggest motivation. Football, he says, means everything, it's his happiness. Despite moments of self-doubt, it was his mother who encouraged him to believe in himself and chase his dreams.

Rowdy has big goals: to improve mentally and physically, to be the best version of himself, and to reach the highest levels of success in whatever career he chooses, ideally through football. He cheers for LSU,

Arkansas, and the Philadelphia Eagles, and he carries a positive attitude that uplifts everyone around him.

He also shared a fun fact: he genuinely wants to see others succeed and makes it a point to motivate those around him to reach their full potential.

Rowdy Armstrong is more than just a center, he's a leader, a motivator, and a future star worth watching.

Rowdy Armstrong

Walker High
Walker, La

6'4"
280 lbs

Class of 2028



Competitive Acadiana Christian Do It All Athlete Silas Johnson Emerges As A Playmaker For 8 Man Football Team

Acadiana Christian is an eight man football team located in New Iberia, Louisiana. After winning all of their games except against John Paul The Great Academy last season, the Lions now have a versatile playmaker that will try and get Acadiana Christian over the hump in talented sophomore Silas Johnson.

Starting as a defensive back last year as a freshman where he tied the team for a single game high of 15 tackles, Johnson is taking his game to the next level as he will take over as the starting quarterback heading into his sophomore season. Head coach Carroll Olivier believes that Johnson is going to be the real deal.

"When I say there is football in his DNA, there is. His dad was a heck of a linebacker at Cecilia. Anytime that you get a coach's son that comes from a traditional program like Cecilia, you know that they are going to be pushing him to do the right things. Silas came in with a chip on his shoulder as a freshman, but he is so humble with the way he approaches the game. He's not running away from anybody. When he found out that other players were competing at quarterback, he came to me and told me that he now really wanted to play quarterback. He wanted to compete for it and earn it. I can't wait to coach this kid for the next three years."

That high football IQ and athletic ability has made it a natural transition for Silas Johnson, who was the MVP of the Gridiron Football Classic Fall Scrimmage. Wrapping up a productive offseason which included a productive showing at the Gridiron Football Elite Camp held at Louisiana Christian University, it has given Johnson a lot of confidence that he can take this starting quarterback role head on.

"Starting off, I was pretty shy about it and didn't want to play quarterback, but whenever I had somebody to work against, it has fueled me to get better and strive to do better. It is always good to get somebody pushing you. The scrimmage allowed me to showcase what I have been working on. There is always room to improve."

Being a guy that can beat you with his arm and legs, Johnson has been working the most on being able to beat opponents in the pocket. His goal this season is to lead the Lions to a state championship and take the program farther than it has ever been before.

Silas Johnson wants to show off his athletic ability while leading the Lions to big things, but mostly, he wants to show how high of a football IQ he has.

"I have a great football IQ. I am not the biggest on the field all the time, but I think I make up for it by how much I understand the game."

From Horses to Highlight Reels: Makelin Lemoine's Rise at Elton

The Elton Indians took a major step forward in 2024, going 8-4 and winning a playoff game—a feat that ranks among the best seasons in school history. At the heart of that historic run was sophomore standout Makelin Lemoine, a dynamic running back who emerged as a game-changer for the program.

Despite sharing the backfield with All-State running back Tristan Leblanc, Lemoine still managed to rack up 1,600 all-purpose yards and score 21 touchdowns. His blend of vision, power, and deceptive speed turned heads across Louisiana. Now, with Leblanc graduating, Lemoine is stepping into the spotlight as the featured back in 2025.

"I feel as though I still have a lot to work on, but I'm getting there," Lemoine said. "I'm working to have near or over 2,000 yards by district and at least get one offer."

That goal is well within reach. At 5'10", 200 pounds, and running a 4.6 in the 40-yard dash, Lemoine brings a powerful and explosive presence to the backfield. He also squats an impressive 350 pounds, showing his commitment to the weight room. His performance at the Gridiron Football Elite Camp held at Louisiana Christian University earned him Top Performer honors at running back, further boosting his profile with college coaches.

"I loved the camp as a whole. It was great competition,

and I was very satisfied knowing the LCU coaches saw me," he said. "Getting Top Performer meant a lot."

Lemoine isn't a one-dimensional player. He's started at safety since the 8th grade and also contributes to Elton's basketball and track teams. His athleticism has taken him to regionals in both the 100 and 200-meter sprints for the past two years.

What makes Lemoine stand out isn't just his physical ability—it's his character and drive. Off the field, he's a self-described "country kid at heart" who loves horseback riding with his family and attending church. He maintains a 3.4 GPA and has goals beyond football, aspiring to earn a degree in criminal justice and help at-risk youth through the juvenile system.

"I want to thank God for allowing me to make it this far. Also, my mom, dad, and brother for always being there for me," Lemoine added.

Although only entering his junior season, Lemoine is already attracting interest from college programs. He has a particular affinity for HBCUs like Prairie View A&M and is also interested in local programs such as McNeese State. More importantly, he's committed to his growth both as an athlete and as a leader.

With his work ethic, talent, and support system, Makelin Lemoine is well on his way to becoming not just a local standout—but one of the top high school players in the state of Louisiana. His journey is just getting started.



Ratings and Rankings Class of 2026

Every spring, Gridiron Football hosts elite evaluation camps that provide a platform for high school football players across the country to showcase their skills in front of experienced coaches and evaluators. These camps are not only about performance; they are about opportunity. Each athlete who participates is carefully assessed by a team of seasoned coaches: Coach Andy, a former college and high school coach; Coach Marcus Randall, a former NFL quarterback and current high school head coach; and Coach Eric Holden, an active high school coach with a sharp eye for emerging talent.

Every prospect who competes in these camps is rated based on ten detailed categories that reflect both athletic ability and football potential: height, weight, 40-yard dash time, shuttle time, long jump, hands, footwork, technique, aggression, and vision. These categories provide a comprehensive look at each athlete's physical tools and on-field instincts, vital elements in determining how they might translate to the next level.

Height and weight measurements are verified at check-in to ensure accuracy. The 40-yard dash and shuttle times test straight-line speed and agility, while the long jump reveals lower-body explosiveness. Hands, footwork, and technique are scrutinized during position drills and one-on-one competitions, allowing coaches to assess ball skills, coordination, and discipline. Aggression is evaluated during contact drills, and vision is observed in real-time play recognition and decision-making.

"The camp evaluations are more than numbers," said Coach Marcus Randall. "We're looking at how these players move, how they respond to coaching, and how they compete when it's time to go one-on-one. That tells us a lot more than just a 40 time."

This approach ensures that prospects are being looked at through the same lens that college recruiters use—athleticism, coachability, and game-ready instincts.

Athletes who shine at these events not only receive exposure through Gridiron Football's extensive scouting network and media

platform but are also given the opportunity to be selected for the prestigious Gridiron Football All-American Bowl Game. It's a pipeline that has proven success, helping hundreds of athletes earn scholarships or interest from college programs.

Ultimately, these camps serve as a launching pad—where effort meets evaluation, and dreams begin to turn into offers.

What do the grades mean? This is where Gridiron Football projects each player to be selected to play. However, with the nature of college football, some players may only be offered at lower levels. These grades are based on 10 numeric categories and each category is graded on each player's ability.

4.5-5	FBS
4.0+	DI
3.5+	DII / NAIA
3.0+	DIII

S Blaine Bradford

Catholic | Baton Rouge | LA
6'1" | 207 lbs
4.8 of 5



ATH Cayden Randall

Woodlawn | Baton Rouge | LA
6'2" 190lbs
Grades: 4.5/5 Explosion|Technique|Aggressiveness



DL Tyrone Morgan

Woodlawn | Baton Rouge | La
6'4" 230lbs
Grades| 4.6/5 First Step | Explosive | Handwork



ATH Dezyrian Ellis

Franklin Parish | Winnsboro | LA
6'2" | 175
4.5 of 5



QB Jerry Bottley IV
Southern Lab | Baton Rouge | LA 
6'2" 172lbs
Grades: 4.5/5 Arm Strength|Accuracy|Mobility

RB Ayden Tate
Pineville | Pineville | La 
5'11" | 197 lbs
4.4 of 5 Speed | Stengt | Vision

QB Cole Bergeron
St. Thomas More | Lafayette | LA 
6'4" | 210 lbs
4.4 of 5

LB David Weeks
Calvary Baptist | Bossier City | LA 
6'1" 230
Grades: 4.4/5 Strength|Size|Speed

QB Jacob Crain
Franklinton | Franklinton | LA 
6'1" 180lbs
Grades: 4.3/5 Arm Strength|Accuracy|Pocket Awareness

OL O'Ryan Mosley
Terrebonne | Houma | LA 
6'3" | 295
4.3 of 5

OL Christian Speight
Evangel Christian | Shreveport | LA 
Grade: 4.2/5 Size|footwork|Strength

WR Anthony Weatherspoon
Southern Lab | Baton Rouge | LA 
5'11" | 155
4.2 of 5

RB Sage Ingram
U-High | Baton Rouge | La 
6' 200lbs
Grades: 4.2/5 Power | Speed | Agility

LB/P Greyson Dupre
Arch. Hannan | Covington | LA 
6'0" 190lbs
Grade 4.2/5 Strength | Vision | Agility

CB MJ Dunn
St. Amant | St. Amant | LA 
5'11" 165lbs
Grade 4.2 of 5

RB Jason Blackburn
East Ascension | Gonzales | LA 
5'8" 160lbs
Grades: 4.1/5 Speed|Explosiveness|Awareness

OL Grayson Gorum
Minden High | Minden | LA 
6'1 280
Grades: 4.1/5 Strength|Technique

OL Ian Wallace
Loyola CP | Shreveport | La 
6'3" | 290 lbs
4.1 of 5 Strength | First Step | Aggression

LB/DE Keith Joseph
Liberty | Baton Rouge | LA 
5'10" 190lbs
Grade 4.1/5 Speed | Agility | Strength

LB Taj Callahan
Episcopal High | Baton Rouge | LA 
6'0" 180lbs
Grade 4.1/5 Speed | Strength | Explosivness

DT Nate Broussard
Jennings | Jennings | La 
6'2" | 295
4.1 of 5

WR Jamieon Brown
Lafayette | Lafayette | La 
5'10" | 170
4.1 of 5

WR Isaiah Leblanc
Breaux Bridge | Breaux Bridge | LA 
6'3" | 180
4.1 of 5

QB Jack Landry
Erath | Erath | LA 
6'3" | 195 lbs
4.1 of 5 Size | Arm Strength

DB Joshua Lazard
Dunham | Baton Rouge | LA 
5'10" 175lbs
Grade 4.0/5 Speed | Vision | Hands

CB Erin Moore
University Lab | Baton Rouge | LA 
5' 11" 170lbs
Grade 4.0/5 Speed | Size | Vision

RB Skyler Edwards
St. Charles Catholic | LaPlace | LA 
5'10" | 175
4.0 of 5

WR Johnny McCarty
St. Michael | Baton Rouge | LA 
6'0" 190lbs
Grade 4.0/5 Speed | Size | Hands

RB Zane Hollinquest
Zachary High | Zachary | LA 
5'10" 175lbs
Grade 4.0 of 5

DE Timothy Taylor
Chalmette High | Chalmette | LA 
6'3" 220lbs
Grade 4.0 of 5

OL Hayden Ainsworth
Biloxi | Biloxi | MS 
6'5" | 300 lbs
4.4 of 5

LB Kohen Clues
St. Martinville | St. Martinville| LA 
6'1 | 195
4.0 of 5

DB Avery Johnson

Franklin Parish | Winnsboro | LA
 6'2" | 160
 4.0 of 5

**ATH Khyrie Francisco**

St. Martinville | St. Martinville | LA
 6'2" | 200
 4.0 of 5

**ATH Ty'Kimion Ford**

Slaughter | Slaughter | LA
 6'1" 165lbs

Grades: 4/5 Speed|Athletic|Good Hands

**WR DaSean Golmond**

Denham Springs | Denham Springs | LA
 6'1" | 190 lbs
 4.1 of 5

**WR Brice Duhon**

Notre Dame | Crowley | La
 5'8" | 160
 4.0 of 5

**RB Cavland Hunter**

Newton | Newton | TX
 5'11" | 180 lbs
 4.0 of 5

**OL Hunter Caldwell**

Franklin Parish | Winnsboro | LA
 6'3" | 280 lbs
 3.9 of 5

**OT Semaj Tapp**

Chalmette High | Chalmette | LA
 6'3" 285lbs
 Grades: 3.9/5 Size | Strength | Hands

**ATH Gavin Brown**

McAdams | Sallis | MS
 6'2" 200lbs
 Grade 3.9/5 Size | Hands | Technique

**LB/DE Kayden Wilson**

East Feliciana | Jackson | LA
 6'3" | 232 lbs
 3.9 of 5

**LB Cannon Walker**

Madison Prep | Baton Rouge | La
 6'2" 210lbs
 Grade 3.9 of 5

**ATH Zion Willoughby**

Assumption | Napoleonville | LA
 6' | 160 lbs
 3.9 of 5

**QB Jokoby Farria**

Holy Cross | New Orleans | LA
 6'2" | 191
 3.9 of 5

**RB Zaiden Foster**

Liberty magnet | Baton Rouge | LA
 5'9" 195lbs
 Grade 3.9/5 Speed | Agility | Hands

**S Layton Mitchell**

Catholic High | New Iberia | LA
 6' | 170 lbs
 3.9 of 5

**OL Carnell Smith**

Madison Prep | Baton Rouge | LA
 6'2" | 323 lbs
 3.9 of 5

**OL Christian Ferguson**

Denham Springs| Denham Springs| LA
 6'3" | 270 lbs
 3.8 of 5

**RB/ATH Terrell Pegues**

Mansfield High | Mansfield | LA
 6'1" 170lbs
 Grade 3.8/5 Speed | Power | Agility

**RB/DE Isaac Garba**

Silliman
 6'0" 240lbs
 Grade 3.8/5

Size | Strength | Speed

**CB Kevin Jones**

Avoyelles | Moreauville | LA
 5'8" | 167
 3.8 of 5

**RB/LB Zion Lee**

Bunkie | Bunkie | LA
 5'11" | 215 lbs
 3.8 of 5

**S Cameron Rogers**

Plaquemine | Plaquemine | La
 5'9" | 165
 3.8 of 5

**DB Javon Javius**

East Ascension | Gonzales | LA
 6'1" | 146 lbs
 3.8 of 5

**S Quentin Clay**

Denham Springs | Denham Springs | La
 5'9" | 160
 3.8 of 4

**WR Andravin Hughes**

South Lafourche | Galliano | LA
 5'10" | 150
 3.8 of 5

**WR Jaiden Robinson**

Woodlawn High | Baton Rouge | La
 5'6" 150lbs
 Grade 3.8 of 5

**WR Tadell Moseley**

Sarah T. Reed | NEW ORLEANS | LA
 5'11" | 185
 3.8 of 5

**OL Sami Abdelhak**

Southern Lab | Baton Rouge | LA
 6'3" | 315 lbs
 3.9 of 5



OL Hayden Mitchell

Pearl River | Pearl River | La
6' | 280
3.9 of 4

**QB Mason Jordan**

Montgomery | Montgomery | La
6' | 180 lbs
3.9 of 5

**QB Stephen George**

Westminster Christian | Opelousas | LA
6' | 170 lbs
3.9 of 5

**WR/DB Chris Sheppard**

Southwood | Shreveport | LA
6'1" | 178 lbs
3.9 of 5

**DT Victor Hollins**

Madison Prep | Baton Rouge | LA
6'1" | 280 lbs
3.9 of 5

**K Logan Blanchard**

North Vermilion | Maurice | LA
5'9" | 145 lbs
3.9 of 5

**RB Kevon Johnson**

Northwest | Opelousas | LA
5'11" | 175 lbs
3.9 of 5

**ATH Javen Bolden**

Picayune | Picayune | MS
6'2" | 240 lbs
3.9 of 5

**DB Paityn Collins**

Ferriday | Ferriday | LA
6'2" | 180 lbs
3.8 of 5

**OL Blaise Thomassie**

Catholic High | Baton Rouge | LA
6'4" | 265
3.8 of 5

**LB Braylon Watson**

Newton | Newton | TX
5'10" | 190 lbs
3.8 of 5

**WR/S Brendin Perkins**

Scotlandville | Baton Rouge | LA
5'10" | 155
3.8 of 5

**WR AZairean Magee**

Biloxi | Biloxi | MS
5'10" | 150 lbs
3.8 of 5

**DE/DT JaRon Jackson**

DeRidder | DeRidder | La
6'2" | 280
3.8 of 5

**SS/RB Ayden Watson**

Ocean Springs | Ocean Springs | MS
5'9" | 175 lbs
3.8 of 5

**DT/DE Erik Ruesing**

Hays High | Buda | TX
6'2" | 290 lbs
3.7 of 5

**CB/WR Alan Abdullah**

Covington | Covington | La
6' | 165 lbs
3.7 of 5

**DE Nolan Wilson**

Picayune | Picayune | MS
6'4" | 234 lbs
3.7 of 5

**OLB/SS Gianni Mulgado**

Biloxi | Biloxi | MS
6' | 175 lbs
3.7 of 5

**WR Desmen Jefferson**

Ferriday | Ferriday | LA
5'10" | 175
3.7 of 5

**DE Andrew Fruge**

Teurlings Catholic | Lafayette | LA
6' | 210 lbs
3.7 of 5

**LB Christian Williams**

Pine | Franklinton | LA
5'11" | 205
3.7 of 5

**DE Amari Willis**

DeRidder | DeRidder | La
6'2" | 220 lbs
3.7 of 5

**WR Javyn Christopher**

Patterson | Patterson | LA
5'7" | 132 lbs
3.7 of 5

**OL Charles Sonnier**

St. Edmund | Eunice | LA
5'11" | 300
3.7 of 5

**WR/SS Rontrell Woods**

Carencro High | Lafayette | LA
5'8" 150lbs
Grades: 3.7/5



Vision | Hands

OL/DL Jordell Baise

North Iberville | Maringouin | LA
6'2" | 255 lbs
3.7 of 5

**DT Jordan Holmes**

Carroll | Monroe | LA
6'2" | 280 lbs
Grade 3.7 of 5



DE Cayden Darte

St. Thomas More | Lafayette | LA
 6'2" | 205 lbs
 3.7 of 5

**RB Ivan Sanders**

Prairieville | Prairieville | LA
 5'3" 162lbs
 Grade 3.7 of 5 Speed | Agility

**WR Joseph Gautreau**

East Ascension | Gonzales | LA
 5'9" | 172 lbs
 3.7 of 5

**OLB/S Harrison Kidder**

Catholic High | Baton Rouge | LA
 6'1" | 205 lbs
 3.7 of 5

**WR Cain Milligan**

Bunkie | Bunkie | LA
 5'11" | 162
 3.7 of 5

**LB Maxwell Maurer**

Catholic High | Baton Rouge | LA
 5'11" | 192
 3.7 of 5

**DE Marvin Davis**

Ferriday | Ferriday | LA
 6'3" | 200 lbs
 3.7 of 5

**ATH Ashton Henry**

United High | Beaumont | TX
 6' | 165 lbs
 3.6 of 5

**ATH Kaleb West**

Port Allen | Port Allen | LA



3.6 of 5

ATH Brandon Thomas

Broadmoor | Baton Rouge | LA
 5'8" | 155 lbs
 3.6 of 5

**WR Aidin Smart**

Pflugerville | Pflugerville | TX
 6'1" | 252 lbs
 3.6 of 5

**LB William Lavergne**

Carencro | Carencro | LA
 6'1" | 200 lbs
 3.6 of 5

**ATH Tylus Metrejean**

Port Barre | Port Barre | LA
 6' | 150 lbs
 3.6 of 5

**CB Broderick Fowler Jr.**

CHEF | Baton Rouge | LA
 5'10" | 150
 3.6 of 5

**DE/OLB Travis Palmer**

Marksville | Marksville | LA
 5'1" | 212 lbs
 3.6 of 5

**S Lucas Mose**

Bunkie | Bunkie | LA
 6' | 175 lbs
 3.6 of 5

**WR KJ Fontenette**

St. Martinville | St. Martinville | LA
 5'10" | 160 lbs
 3.6 of 5

**WR Kendrick Bernard**

Carencro | Carencro | LA
 5'10" | 186 lbs
 3.6 of 5

**QB Mason Jordan**

Montgomery | Montgomery | LA
 5'11" | 186 lbs
 3.6 of 5

**QB Ethan McGlynn**

U-High | Baton Rouge | LA



3.6 of 5

ATH Rod Parker

South Plaquemines | Buras | LA
 5'7"
 3.6 of 5

**OT/DE Zion Hogan**

Delhi | Delhi | LA
 6'7" | 265 lbs
 3.6 of 5

**LB Zyrian Johnson**

St. Martinville | St. Martinville | LA
 6' | 195 lbs
 3.6 of 5

**RB/S Tyler Johnson**

Northeast | Pride | LA
 5'10" | 170 lbs
 3.6 of 5

**WR Cai Williams**

Destrehan | Destrehan | LA
 5'11" 155lbs
 Grade 3.6/5 Speed | Agility

**DL Joshua Covington**

Woodlawn | Baton Rouge | LA
 6'2" 223lbs
 Grades: 3.6/5 Size | Arm Length

**WR Dana Antoine Jr**

Chalmette High | Chalmette | LA
 6'1" 165lbs
 Grade 3.6/5

**ATH Devin Miles**

Delhi | Delhi | LA
 6'3" | 175 lbs
 3.6 of 5



OL Brady McCann

Pineville | Pineville | LA

6'2" | 290 lbs

3.6 of 5

**RB Carter Melancon**

St. Thomas More | Lafayette | LA

5'6" | 170 lbs

3.6 of 5

**LB Kohen Henry**

Tioga High School | Ball | LA

5'9" 190lbs

Grade 3.6/5

Speed | Aggression

**RB Ethan Robinson**

Green Oaks | Shreveport | LA

5'8" | 170

3.6 of 5

**QB/ATH Da'Jean Golmond**

Denham Springs | Denham Springs | LA

6'2" | 200 lbs

3.6 of 5

**LB Kaleb Broussard**

Acadiana Christian | New Iberia | La

3.6 of 5

**LB Gabriel Johnson**

East Iberville | St. Gabriel | LA

6'0" 205lbs

Grade 3.6 of 5

**QB/ATH Hayven Keller**

Patterson | Patterson | LA

6'1" | 186

3.6 of 5

**DE/OLB Jayce Warren**

Marksville | Marksville | LA

5'11" | 150

3.5 of 5

**ATH Justice Roy**

North Iberville | Maringouin | LA

5'11" | 180 lbs

3.5 of 5

**WR Warren Bowman**

Red River | Coushatta | LA

5'7

3.5 of 5

**QB Kaise Gauthier**

Avoyelles | Moreauville | LA

5'11" | 170

3.5 of 5

**DB Thomas Carter Jr.**

Slaughter Charter | Slaughter | LA

6'1" 175lbs

Grade 3.5/5

Strength | Speed | Vision

**QB Trey Knight**

Pine | Franklinton | LA

6'3" | 185 lbs

3.5 of 5

**OL/DL Patrick Gibson**

Rosepine | Rosepine | La

6' | 265

3.5 of 5

**DE Brady Baden**

Pineville | Pineville | LA

6'2" | 225 LBS

3.5 of 5

**LB Michael White**

Carroll | Monroe | LA

6' | 192 lbs

3.5 of 5

**G/DE Isaiah Bland**

Hays High | Buda | TX

6'2" | 235 lbs

3.5 of 5

**OL Jorge Alvarez**

Broadmoor | Baton Rouge | LA

3.5 of 5

**WR LaDainian Perna**

Ellender | Houma | LA

5'10" | 170

3.5 of 5

**LB Brandon Gobert**

United High | Beaumont | TX

6' | 215 lbs

3.5 of 5

**S Evan Lemon**

Westminster Christian | Opelousas | LA

5'10" | 170 lbs

3.5 of 5

**RB Trion Wise**

Hammond | Hammond La

5'9" | 180

3.5 of 5

**LB Keontez Campbell**

Mamou | Mamou | LA

6' | 210 lbs

3.5 of 5

**LB Brody Saenz**

Ocean Springs | Ocean Springs | MS

6' | 190 lbs

3.5 of 5

**TE Jaylin Thomas**

Elton | Elton | LA

6'2" 225lbs

Grade 3.5 of 5

**RB/LB Landon Boston**

Jonesboro-Hodge | Jonesboro | La

5'11" | 195

3.5 of 5

**WR Damikies McClain**

Franklinton | Franklinton | La

5'9" | 135

3.5 of 5



S Zaden Scott

DeRidder | DeRidder | La
5'11" | 170
3.5 of 5

**QB/ATH Genard Green**

Scotlandville | Baton Rouge | LA
6' | 175
3.5 of 5 Speed | Agility

**WR Malique Credit**

Franklin Parish | Winnsboro | LA
5'9" | 160 lbs
3.5 of 5

**LB/ RB Eric Williams, II**

Prairieville High | Prairieville | LA
5'8" 195lbs
Grade 3.5/5 Vision | Speed

**QB Konner Boudreaux**

St. Louis Catholic Lake Charles LA
6' | 185 lbs
3.4 of 5

**LB Eric Williams**

Prairieville | Prairieville | LA
5'8" 195lbs
Grade 3.4 of 5

**WR Aprilleo Sterling**

Woodlawn | Baton Rouge | La
5'8" 150lbs
Grade 3.4 of 5

**CB Ashton Lafleur**

Liberty | Baton Rouge | La



Grades: 3.4/5 Agression | Field Vision

OL Khaymen George

Carencro | Carencro | LA
6'3" | 230 lbs
Grade 3.4 of 5

**WR Jason Friels Jr.**

Carroll | Monroe | LA
6'3" | 163 lbs
3.4 of 5

**DB Chris Delestre**

Terrebonne | Houma | LA
5'9" | 163
3.4 of 5

**DE Hilry Thomas**

South Plaquemines | Buras | LA
6' | 205
3.4 of 5

**QB Joshua Mack**

South Lafourche | Galliano | LA
6' | 170 lbs
3.4 of 5

**OL Landon Bissel**

Slidell | Slidell | LA
6'3" | 250
3.4 of 5

**OL Cohyn Myers**

Ocean Springs | Ocean Springs | MS
6'3" | 265 lbs
3.4 of 5

**OL Theodore Wogomon**

Rosepine | Rosepine | LA
6' | 285
3.4 of 5

**LB Josh Barthelemy**

South Plaquemines | Buras | LA
5'11 | 195
3.4 of 5

**OL Sterling Garrett**

Slidell | Slidell | LA
6'1" | 275
3.4 of 5

**QB Jake Vaughan**

Menard | Alexandria | LA
6' | 190 lbs
3.4 of 5

**S Cohen Higginbotham**

Catholic High | Pointe Coupee | LA
5'9" | 165 lbs
3.4 of 5

**OL Jett Bullock**

Montgomery | Montgomery | LA
6'3" | 256 lbs
3.4 of 5

**QB/FS Kaise Gauthier**

Avoyelles | Moreauville | LA
5'11" | 170 lbs
3.4 of 5

**CB Griffin Doucet**

Notre Dame | Crowley | LA



3.4 of 5

WR Landon Jarvis

South Lafourche | Galliano | LA
5'10" | 175
3.4 of 5

**WR Cadyn Lewis**

Denham Springs | Denham Springs | La
6' | 150 lbs
3.4 of 5

**QB Stephen George**

Westminster Christian | Opelousas | LA
6' | 170 lbs
3.4 of 5

**WR Ethan Lipscomb**

Springfield | Springfield | La
5'7" | 135
3.4 of 5

**LB/S Wyatt Dubois**

St. Edmund | Eunice | LA
5'11" | 180
3.4 of 5



WR Reginald Lavergne
Northwest | Opelousas | LA
6'1" | 185 lbs
3.4 of 5



LB Alonzo Joseph
Peabody | Alexandria | LA
5'11" | 170 lbs
3.3 of 5



S Cameron Jones
Red River | Coushatta | LA
6' | 146
3.4 of 5



QB/S Dakota Knox
Jonesboro-Hodge | Jonesboro | La
5'11" | 170lbs
3.3 of 5



RB Gavyn Hebert
Westminster Christian | Lafayette | LA
5'10" | 155 lbs
3.4 of 5



DE/DT Codan Anderson
Biloxi | Biloxi | MS
6'1" | 240 lbs
3.3 of 5



DL Osborne Demery
Captain Shreve | Shreveport | La
6'1" | 290
3.4 of 5



S/OLB Brennon Chatman
Carroll | Monroe | LA
5'9" | 185
3.3 of 5



OG Andre Campbell
Captain Shreve | Shreveport | La
6'1" | 275
3.4 of 5



DT Daylan Tatum
Pineville | Pineville | LA
5'7" | 240
3.3 of 5



TE Caleb Whitehead
CHEF | Baton Rouge | LA
5'11" | 220 lbs
3.4 of 5



WR Linzy Howard
Patterson | Patterson | LA
3.3 of 5



ATH Ky'Lun Skipper
St. Martinville | St. Martinville | LA
5'8" | 160 lbs
3.4 of 5



WR/S Gerald Watson
Jennings | Jennings | La
5'9" | 145
3.3 of 5



DB Hy'Keem Mix
Pineville | Pineville | LA
5'6" | 152
3.4 of 5



TE Bailey Rideaux
Port Barre | Port Barre | LA
3.3 of 5



LB Ryan Variste
Madison Prep | Baton Rouge | LA
6'1" 221lbs
Grade 3.3/5



RB/LB Noah Jackson
Woodlawn | Baton Rouge | La
5'8" | 202
3.3 of 5



DB Kevin Slaughter
Mamou | Mamou | LA
5'8" | 155 lbs
3.3 of 5



RB Jakari Milton
West St. John High | Edgard | LA
5'8" 165lbs
Grade 3.3/5



RB Laiken Laudermilk
Central Private | Central | LA
6' | 182 lbs
3.3 of 5



WR Terrance Pitre
South Lafourche | Galliano | LA
5'11" | 170
3.3 of 5



DE Brooks Broussard
North Vermilion | Maurice | LA
5'10" | 210 lbs
3.3 of 5



QB Malique Smith
Red River | Coushatta | LA
3.3 of 5



WR Hayden Ganey
Montgomery | Montgomery | LA
6'6" | 180 lbs
3.3 of 5



LB Jylon Dade
Richwood | Monroe | LA
6'1" | 190
3.3 of 5



OL Sawyer Wells
South Lafourche | Galliano | LA
6'3" 295lbs
Grade 3.3/5



OL/DL Johnathan Daniels
East Iberville | St. Gabriel | LA
6' | 230 lbs
3.2 of 5



Explosion | Strength | Agression

Speed | Hands

Size | Lower Body Strength

OL Jacorian Newman

Belaire | Baton Rouge | LA

6' | 260 lbs

3.2 of 5

DE Holden Bertrand

St. Louis Catholic | Lake Charles | LA

6'1" | 205

3.2 of 5

OL/DL John LeSaux

DeRidder | DeRidder | La

5'11" | 237 lbs

3.2 of 5

DL Conner McAtee

St. Thomas More | Lafayette | LA

5'11" | 260 lbs

3.2 of 5

RB/QB Connor Rushford

DeRidder | DeRidder | La

5'11" | 180

3.2 of 5

DB Evan Dooley

Southwood | Shreveport | LA

6' | 175 lbs

3.2 of 5

S Carlnell Robinson

Liberty | Baton Rouge | La

5'9" | 170 lbs

3.2 of 5

QB/ATH Drew LeJeune

Notre Dame | Crowley | LA

6'1" | 195 lbs

3.2 of 5

WR/S Dwayne Ben

Scotlandville | Baton Rouge | LA

5'9" | 150 lbs

3.2 of 5

LB Ty Curtis

Buckeye High | Pineville | LA

5'11" | 190lbs

Grade 3.2/5 Size | Vision

WR Trinton Bennett

Woodlawn | Baton Rouge | La

6'2" | 170lbs

Grade 3.2 of 5

DL Cedric Jones

Woodlawn | Baton Rouge | La

6'1" | 190lbs

Grade 3.2 of 5

LB Da'keavean Martin

Carencro | Carencro | LA

5'9" | 160 lbs

3.2 of 5

QB Evan Schneider

Pineville | Pineville | La

3.2 of 5

RB/CB Gauge Flocke

Springfield | Springfield | La

5'7" | 152

3.1 of 5

RB/DE Jaei'vionne Owens

Northwest | Opelousas | LA

6'1" | 189 lbs

3.1 of 5

QB Tylus Metrejean

Port Barre | Port Barre | La

6' | 150 lbs

3.1 of 5

WR Zachary Green

Peabody | Alexandria | LA

6' | 170 lbs

3.1 of 5

DE Deaven Stevenson

Beau Chene | Arnaudville | LA

3.1 of 5

CB Aidan Rowley

Liberty | Baton Rouge | La

5' 11" | 160lbs

Grade 3.1 of 5

RB Gio Green

Chalmette High | Chalmette | LA

5'11" | 210lbs

Grade 3.1 of 5

C Will Garrett

Episcopal | Baton Rouge | LA

6'1" | 215

3.1 of 5

ATH Christian Green

Southwood | Shreveport | LA

3.1 of 5

WR Khaliel Davis

East Iberville | St. Gabriel | LA

5'8" | 140lbs

Grade 3.0 of 5

DE Malik Pierre

Scotlandville Magnet | Baton Rouge | LA

6'5" | 185lbs

Grade 3.0/5 Size | Speed|

RB NaDorian Johnson

Slaughter | Slaughter | LA

5'7" | 145lbs

Grade 3.0 of 5

TE Carson Crabtree

Catholic High | Pointe Coupee | LA

5'10" | 175 lbs

3.0 of 5

K/P Joshua Bravo

Carroll | Monroe | LA

5'7" | 225 lbs

2.9 of 5

OL Sam Lafleur
Sacred Heart | Ville Platte | LA
5'10" | 235 lbs
2.9 of 5

DE Brennan Fleming
Walker | Walker | La
6'2" 215lbs
Grade 2.9 of 5

QB/LB Cace Malone
Tioga | Ball | LA
5'10" | 185 lbs
2.9 of 5

TE Myles Sherrill
St. Thomas More | Lafayette | LA
6'1" | 205
2.9 of 5

LB Ashton Duos
Sacred Heart | Ville Platte | LA
5'10" | 160
2.9 of 5

OL Jacob Caballero
Catholic High | Pointe Coupee | LA
5'8" | 205
2.9 of 5

OL Otis Locue
Belaire | Baton Rouge | LA
5'11" | 215 lbs
2.9 of 5

LB / RB Clinton Junior Wallace
Live Oak High | Watson | LA
5'10" 175lbs
Grade 2.9/5

TE/DE Cayden Zahn
Grant | Ball | La
6' | 165
2.8 of 5

LB Hayden Thibodeaux
Assumption | Napoleonville | LA
5'7" | 170
2.8 of 5

LB Octavious Chalmers
Delhi | Delhi | LA
5'11" | 200 lbs
2.8 of 5

WR/S Dallas Mattingly
Live Oak | Watson | LA
5'7" 165lbs
Grade 2.8 of 5

DE Alex Curvin Jr
Northeast High School | Pride | LA
5'11" 190lbs
Grade 2.8/5

LB Turbo Baxter
Slaughter Community Charter | Slaughter | LA
6'0" 160lbs
Grade 2.8 of 5



OL/DL Simon Moses Johnson 3
Jefferson Davis County | Bassfield | Mississippi
6'3" 235lbs
Grade 2.8/5

ATH Kenny Jones
Mentorship Academy | Baton Rouge | LA
5'9" | 161 lbs
2.7 of 5

OL Jason Kilpatrick
Calvary Baptist Academy | Shreveport | LA
6'1" 230lbs
Grade 2.7 of 5

WR Devery Lewis
Mentorship Academy | Baton Rouge | LA
2.6 of 5

DE Winfred Iobias Avant
Southwood | Shreveport | LA
6'0" 224lbs
Grade 2.4/5

DB Carson Wallace
Archbishop Hannan | Covington | LA
5'10" 160lbs
Grade 2.4/5

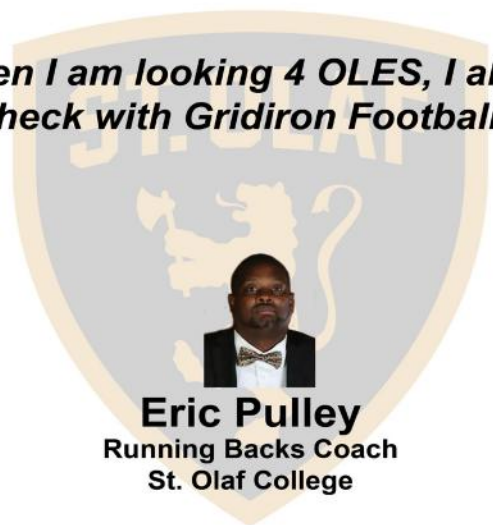
ATH Marquale Williams
Leesville High | Leesville | LA
5'10" 145lbs
Grade 2.4/5

WR Kaleb Faulk
Lafayette High School
6'1" 120lbs
Grade 2.3/5

CB Rekiyan Jackson
Live Oak High | Watson | LA
5'11" 160lbs
Grade 2.1/5



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Eric Pulley
Running Backs Coach
St. Olaf College

Class of 2027

NG Breon Williams

Marshall | Marshall | TX

6'2" 325"

Grade 4.7 of 5



WR Robert Taylor

Ferriday High | Ferriday | La

6'4" 180lbs

Grade 4.4 of 5



CB/WR Cedrick Jones Jr.

St. Amant High | St. Amant | LA

6'3" 175lbs

Grade 4.4 of 5



CB/WR Bra'jon Melancon

North Iberville | Maringouin | LA

6'2" 160lbs

Grade 4.4 of 5



QB Bryce Restovich

Loyola Prep | Shreveport | LA

6'2" 175lbs

Grade 4.3 of 5



RB/WR Chad "C.J." Aguillard

Livonia | Livonia | LA

5'8" 160lbs

Grade 4.3 of 5



DL Ja'Myris Allen

Madison Prep | Baton Rouge | La

6'3" 295

Grade 4.2 of 5



RB Jeremy Favorite

North Iberville | Maringouin | LA

5'8" 180lbs

Grade 4.2 or 5



DT Calvin Duncan

Zachary High | Zachary | La

6'2" 331lbs

Grade 4.1 of 5



DB Jaylon Easley

Meridian High | Meridian | Ms

5'11" 165lbs

Grade 4 of 5



LB James McCray IV

Istrouma High | Baton Rouge | LA

Grade 4 of 5



CB/WR Cedrick Jones Jr.

St. Amant High | St. Amant | LA

OL Reggie Trusclair

Plaquemine High | Plaquemine | LA

6'2" 266lbs

Grade 4 of 5



CB Braylon Christmas

North Iberville | Maringouin | LA

5'11" 155lbs

Grade 3.9 of 5



LB Ty'Reece Edwards

South Lafourche High | Galliano | LA

5'10" 180lbs

Grade 3.8 of 5



WR Rey'sean Coleman

Salmen | Slidell | LA

6'2" | 166 lbs

3.7 of 5



QB Jayden Elvir

John Curtis

5'9" | 145 lbs

3.7 of 5



QB Cooper Odle

University High

5'11" 160lbs

Grade 3.7 of 5



QB Jaylon Abney
Calvary Baptist | Shreveport | LA
6'0" 165lbs
Grade 3.7 of 5



WR/DB Ayren Woods
DeRidder High | DeRidder | LA
6'6" | 184 lbs
3.5 of 5



RB JaiMylon Joseph
Lutcher | Lutcher | LA
5'9" 160lbs
Grade 3.7 of 5



S Rishon Taylor
East Ascension | Gonzales | LA
6'2" 142 lbs
Grade 3.5 of 5



S/WR Timothy (TJ) Dorsey
St.Helena | Greensburg | LA
6'3" 180lbs
Grade 3.7 of 5



DE/TE Nadrien Johnson
Slaughter Community | Slaughter | LA
6'1" 180lbs
Grade 3.5 of 5



LB Jordan Kemp
North DeSoto | Shreveport | LA
5'7" 200lbs
Grade 3.7 of 5



RB/LB Wesley Bushnell
Sulphur | Sulphur | LA
5'11" 195lbs
Grade 3.5 of 5



RB Josiah Gipson
Mesquite John Horn | Mesquite | TX
5'7" 160lbs
Grade 3.7 of 5



OL/DL Michael Malone
Jonesboro-Hodge | Jonesboro | La
6'4" 305lbs
Grade 3.5 of 5



RB Mikah Tanksley
Palestine High | Palestine | TX
6' 175lbs
Grade 3.7 of 5



QB Dajohn Howard
Salmen | Slidell | LA
6'3" | 170 lbs
3.5 of 5



WR Jayden Oliver
Palestine | Palestine | TX
6'2" 160lbs
Grade 3.7 of 5



RB/DB Brentyn Meeks
Rosepine High | Rosepine | La

Grade 3.4 of 5



RB Tristan Rose
Central High | Baton Rouge | LA
5'8" 170lbs
Grade 3.6 of 5



CB James Tyson
St. Charles Catholic | LaPlace | LA
5'11" 175lbs
Grade 3.4 of 5



WR Ahmad Wilson
St. John | Plaquemine | LA
5'10" 170lbs
Grade 3.6 of 5



OL Trenton Gray
Rusk | Rusk | TX
6'4" 268lbs
Grade 3.4 of 5



RB/WR BJ Walker
Palestine High | Palestine | TX
6'0" 190lbs
Grade 3.6 of 5



LB Carson Landry
East Ascension High | Gonzales | LA
5'8" 165lbs
Grade 3.4 of 5



DE Reginald Bouie
Salmen | Slidell | LA
6'2" | 200 lbs
3.6 of 5



WR Jake Jacketti
Mandeville High | Mandeville | La
5'8" 165lbs
Grade 3.4 of 5



OT Patrick Yoes III
Covington High | Covington | La
5'11" 240lbs
Grade 3.6 of 5



CB Braylon Williams
Prairieville | Prairieville | La
6'1" 155lbs
Grade 3.4 of 5



WR/DB Terry Vanden

Sabine High | Liberty City | Texas
5'8" 135lbs
Grade 3.3 of 5

**WR/DB Demarcus Terry**

Meridian High | Meridian | Ms
6'1" 181lbs
Grade 3.1 of 5

**LB/DE Ke'Marrion Sheppard**

Warren Central | Vicksburg | MS
5'8" 190lbs
Grade 3.3 of 5

**QB, TE, S Jack Gilkison**

Slaughter Community
6'4" 145lbs
Grade 3.1 of 5

**LB Patrick Bueche**

St. John | Plaquemine | LA
5'11" 165lbs
Grade 3.3 of 5

**QB Charles Green**

Prairieville | Prairieville | LA
5'10" 155lbs
Grade 3.1 of 5

**OL Chevy Delaney**

Minden High | Minden | LA
6'2" 291lbs
Grade 3.3 of 5

**RB/WR Jonathan Hargrove Jr**

Peabody magnet | Alexandria | LA
5'7" 153lbs
Grade 3.1 of 5

**RB/CB Gauge Flocke**

Springfield | Springfield | LA
5'7" | 165 lbs
3.3 of 5

**SS/OLB Cade Hebert**

Prairieville | Prairieville | La
6'0" 155lbs
Grade 3.0 of 5

**LB Carter Sternberger**

Haynes Academy | Metairie | LA
5'9" | 175 lbs
3.3 of 5

**DL Paxton Ronine**

DeRidder High | DeRidder | LA
6' | 220 lbs
3.0 of 5

**OLB/DB Delaney Taylor**

Salmen | Slidell | LA
6' | 170 lbs
3.3 of 5

**DB Carnell Robinson**

Destrehan | Destrehan | LA
5'8" | 135 lbs
2.9 of 5

**LB Brenden Young**

Natchitoches Central | Natchitoches | LA
6'0" 210lbs
Grade 3.2 of 5

**CB Tyrique Willis**

Jasper High | Jasper | Tx
5'9" 146lbs
Grade 2.9 of 5

**LB Peyton Varnado**

Central Private | Baker | LA
Grade 3.2 of 5

**TE/LS Rhyder Cornett**

St. Amant High | St. Amant | LA
6' 185lbs
Grade 2.9 of 5

**WR/LB Ja'Myrion Billups**

Westwood | Palestine | TX
5'10" 145lbs
Grade 3.2 of 5

**OLB Stantyn Delapasse**

Prairieville | Prairieville | La
5'9" 175lbs
Grade 2.9 of 5

**WR Gabriel Decuir**

Acadiana High | Lafayette | LA
6' 150lbs
Grade 3.2 of 5

**OL Clayton Cooley**

East Beauregard | Dry Creek | LA
6'1" | 235 lbs
2.9 of 5

**WR/DB Jayden Merriwether**

DeRidder High | DeRidder | LA
3.2 of 5

**H-Back/LB Carson Broussard**

Rosepine | Rosepine | LA
5'8" | 150 lbs
2.8 of 5



S Collin Rios

CHEF | Baton Rouge | LA
5'10" 170lbs
Grade 2.8 of 5



TE/DE Nathan Ray

Walker | Walker | LA
6'4" 170lbs
Grade 2.7/5 Size | First Step | Hands



WR Cameron McDaniel

Captain Shreve | Shreveport | LA
5'6" 120lbs
Grade 2.8 of 5



WR/S Paul Hoyt

Archbishop Hannan | Covington | LA
5'10" 155lbs
Grade 2.7 of 5



LB Drew Fontenot

East Beauregard | Dry Creek | LA
2.7 of 5



DB Anthony McMillian

Heidelberg High | Heidelberg | MS
5'9" 125lbs
Grade 2.6 of 5



CB Jamarcus Dozier

Jonesboro Hodge | Jonesboro | LA
5'7" 135lbs
Grade 2.7 of 5



RB Z'Ryan Miles

Calvary Baptist | Shreveport | LA
5'5" 196lbs
Grade 2.5 of 5



DT Markeith Armstrong

North Caddo | Vivian | LA
5'7" 222lbs
Grade 2.7 of 5



OL/DL Jordan Laury

Hammond | Hammond | LA
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The Gridiron Football All-American Bowl Game has quickly become one of the most impactful postseason showcases in the country. Since its inception in 2018, the game has helped award over \$100 million in scholarships to deserving athletes across the nation. With a 98% success rate at securing offers and a 50% signing rate, this event continues to open doors for student-athletes from all backgrounds.

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The following have played in the past six Gridiron Football All-American Bowl Games. Whose name will appear next?

2019 All-American Bowl

POS	Name (Hometown, State)	School Signed To
OL	AJ Gillie (Natchitoches, La.)	University of Louisiana (NFL Seahawks)
LB	Tayte Langley (Iota, LA)	LSU
LB	Aaron Beinfeld (Lafitte, La.)	LSU
DB	Khiry Morrison (St. Francisville, La)	Louisiana Tech
OL	Brett Pope (Leesville, LA)	Louisiana Tech
RB	Charlie Norman (Monroe, La)	ULM
QB	Ben West (Pineville, LA)	Army
DE	Adrian Brickham (Angie, LA)	Rice
DE	Deion McNeal (Bastrop, La)	ULM
OL	Joshua Ratcliff (Belle Rose, La)	Southern Miss
K	Nolan Heitmeier (New Orleans, LA)	UTSA
DB	Tyson Ford (New Orleans, LA)	Northwestern State
K	Reece Aultman (West Monroe, LA)	Southeastern Louisiana
RB	Freddie Mango (Ferriday, LA)	Grambling State
OL	Ryan McKenzie (Welsh, LA)	Alcorn
WR	Gage Rapp (Sulphur, LA)	McNeese
OL	Aaron McDaniel (Oakdale, La)	McNeese / LSU
OL	Juwan Felix (Iota, LA)	McNeese
WR	Devin Thierry (Opelousas, LA)	Northwestern State
OL	Deandre Richard (Baton Rouge, La)	Northwestern State
LB	Liam Rowan (New Orleans, LA)	Elon
DB	Calvin Watson (Baton Rouge, LA)	Southeastern Louisiana
DE	Antonio Blanch (Bastrop, LA)	Arkansas Pine Bluff
OL	Grant Jenny (New Orleans, LA)	Arkansas Tech
WR	Clayton Howard (St. Francisville, La)	University of Minnesota Crookston
DB	Phillip Jackson (Bastrop, La)	Arkansas Monticello
K	Cayden Reynolds (Alexandria, LA)	Delta St
RB	Joshua Jones (Bayou Vista, La)	Harding University
OL	Grant Jenny (New Orleans, LA)	Arkansas Tech
LB	Chris Sehring (Baton Rouge, LA)	Delta St
DB	Byron Lockhart (Walker, LA)	New Mexico Highlands
QB	Adam Blanchard (Plaquemine, LA)	Belhaven
RB	Jarius Boyd (Franklin, LA)	Louisiana Christian University
WR	Jarred Simpson (Vidalia, LA)	Louisiana Christian University

POS	Name (Hometown, State)	School Signed To
OL	Zane Blanchard (Belle Rose LA)	Louisiana Christian University
WR	Chaynery Johnson (Iota, LA)	Louisiana Christian University
WR	Jaquez Jones (Shreveport, LA)	East Texas Baptist University
DB	Jovon Moore (Lake Providence, LA)	Louisiana Christian University
OL	Cade Foster (Deville, LA)	Louisiana Christian University
DB	Austyn Benoit (Welsh, LA)	Centenary College
OL	Dalton Clark (Pomeroy, OH)	Hocking College
DB	Trey Eddins Jr. (Sterlington, LA)	Mississippi Delta

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DB	Tyler Mansfield (Ruston LA)	Louisiana Tech
LB	Jabbar Triplett (Baton Rouge, LA)	Arizona
DT	Kenean Caldwell (Oak Grove, LA)	Kansas
K	Austin McCready (New Orleans, LA)	Memphis
LS	John Bergeron,	Ole Miss
OL	Riley Lawrence,	LSU
CB	Christopher McNair (Baton Rouge, LA)	Alcorn State
DB	Sterling McKeithen,	Nicholls State
DB	Tahj Adams (New Orleans, LA)	Arkansas Pine Bluff
OL	Robert Pizzolato (New Orleans, LA)	Nicholls State
LB	Kendal Rowan (New Orleans, LA)	Lamar
WR	Mike Wicker (Baton Rouge, LA)	Southern
P	Marquise McKnight (Baton Rouge, LA)	Gram
LB	Jaylon Turner,	Gram
OL	Nicholas Smith (Baton Rouge, LA)	SLU
OL	Quentin Ross,	NSU
WR	Caleb Blanchard (Baton Rouge, LA)	SLU
DE	Tra'mond Williams,	Gram
DE	Jacob Humphery (Lake Charles, La)	UTPB
DE	Justin Hollins	Mississippi College
WR	Tyler Williams,	Ark Tech
WR	Jadon Johnson,	Wayne
LB	Terrence Jordan,	Lane College
OL	Christian Corkran (Mandeville, LA)	Ark Tec
RB	D'Ante Gallashaw (Leesville, LA)	Belhaven
LB	Scott Wisby (Rosepine, LA)	Louisiana Christian University
OL	Kerry Davis,	ETBU
LB	Hayden Seneca,	Louisiana Christian University
OL	Reece Eyre,	Hendrix
OL	Wyatt Shuff (Iota, LA)	Louisiana Christian University
OL	Gabe Rankins (Lake Charles, LA)	Belhaven
WR	Caleb Williams,	Louisiana Christian University
LB	Peyton Maracantel (Eunice, LA)	LSUA
RB	Stevland Williams,	Lang
RB	Demetri Wright,	Avila
DB	Edmond Webe,	St Mary
DE	Colby Thrasher (Lake Charles, LA)	Peru St

2021 All-American Bowl

OL	Adameon Botley,	ULM
QB	Ethan Frey,	LSU
DB	Devontae Mozee,	La Tech
DB	Mason Edwards,	Utah St
OL	Colin Larson,	ULM
S	Wydett Williams Jr,	Delta State / ULM / Ole Miss
RB	Amani Givens,	La Tech
WR	Patrick Williams,	Arizona State
DB	Trajon Freeman,	Grambling
LB	Hayden Cormier,	Nicholls State
OL	Zane Hooper,	SLU
QB	Tydre Malone,	Gram
TE	Kaleb Vizier,	McNeese
LB	Jaquel Mack,	NSU
OL	Cameron Jackson,	Woffor
OL	Logan Potter,	SLU
RB	Orlando Scales,	ECU
DB	Kadian Kinler,	Anderson
DB	Sharone Finister Jr.,	CSU
DE	Javeon Andrews,	MHB
OL	Trenton Harrison,	Lagran
OL	Conor Diaz,	Millsaps
RB	Caleb Gallashaw,	Belhaven
WR	Joseph Schlatre,	Belhaven
LB	Bradley Warren,	Central
DL	Micheal Anderson Jr,	Belhaven
DB	Noah James,	Louisiana Christian University
LB	Savion Adams,	Louisiana Christian
DB	Dyllan Lawson,	Louisiana Christian
DB	Javari Sanders,	TxWU
DE	Stephen Everfield,	Louisiana Christian
RB	Payten Roberts,	OU
RB	Malikk Patterson,	OU
WR	Jalarion Newson,	Louisiana Christian
WR	Austin Jackson,	Waldolf
DB	Quentin Gholston,	DCCC
OL	Amery Edwards,	Co-Lin

POS	Name (Hometown, State)	School Signed To
DL	Zamian Waller,	Hinds
DL	Ellis Mckneely Jr,	PRCC
<u>2022 All-American Bowl</u>		
LB	Hayden Darbonne (Eunice, LA)	University of Louisiana
DE	Kieran Davis,	East Carolina University
DE	Kellan Hall,	ULM
DB	Donte Glass,	Southeastern Louisiana
LB	Gage Hildreth,	McNeese
DE	Tyrin Wise,	Southeastern Louisiana
S	Treytan James,	Prarie View A&M
WR	Daniel Cooper,	N. Alab
QB	Mills Dawson,	W Illinois
WR	Tramon Douglas,	Grambling
DB	Markeis Batiste,	Southern
QB	Caylon Davis,	Lane
S	Aden Cline,	FHSU
DB	Jalen Guillard,	Ark Mon
OL	Wesley Moore,	Henderson
WR	Cooper Sanders,	SAU
DB	Zion Buck,	CSU
OL	Alfred Washington,	Arkansas Tech
WR	Bryson Meeks (Rosepine, La)	East Texas Baptist University
RB	Rubin K Seastrunk,	Centenary College
LB	Hunter Fontenot,	Centenary College
OL	Reagan Bolin	Centenary College
OL	Cale Buhler,	Hunt
WR	Donte Morgan,	Louisiana Christian
DB	Kameron J. Triplett (Central, LA)	Louisiana Christian
WR	Semaj Hayes,	Louisiana Christian
TE	Cameron Randell,	Louisiana Christian
QB	Bryce Curtis,	Louisiana Christian
WR	Brenden Mcmillan,	Louisiana Christian
LB	Kendarrius Lawrence,	NA
OL	Micah Marceaux,	Louisiana Christian
DB	Sean Glover,	Faulkner
WR	Chavo Thomas,	Louisiana Christian
RB/LB	Joshua Berfect,	Louisiana Christian
DL	Kaleb Whins,	CMU
LB	Elijah Henderson,	NA
TE	Trayton Day,	CMU
RB	Bobby Ray Sheppard,	JM
DT	Dashawn Clark,	Menn W.
TE	Carlos Bazert,	Butler
DE	Devin Strange,	Cisco
OL	Cam Shultz,	Jones College

2023 All-American Bowl

S	Ja'Corian Norris,	University of Louisiana
RB	Braeden George,	Navy
DE	Mackenzie Ardoins,	Navy
OT	Mitch Hodnett,	TCU
RB	Kaden Dixon,	NAU
WR	Amyrion Mingo,	University Pine Bluff
OL	Joseph Milton,	Northwestern State
OL	Travis Cedotal,	McNeese
WR	Dartavin Depass,	Grambling State
DT	Diego Spears,	McNeese
LB	Peyton McFarland,	Grambling State
QB	Beau Perez,	Southeastern Louisiana
DB	Mason Warren,	Southern
DE	Kaine Olivier,	Northwestern State
DB	Tadarius Wright,	University of West Alabama
DB	Dequincy Wilson,	Northwestern State
LB	Hutch Grace,	OBU
LB	Jalil Matthews,	Arkansas Monticello
RB	Jayden Gurzi (CANADA)	Queen's
K	Shawn Haenicke-Prevost,	TAMK
DT	Demerion Dupas,	Henderson
QB	John Sampognaro,	Millsaps
LB	Vincent Butcher,	Centenary College
LB	Lawrence Rivers,	GU
OL	Adam Wiggins,	Centenary College
LB	Owen Lock (CANADA)	Wagner College
OL	Alton Risin,	St Olaf
LB	Isaiah Grant,	Centenary College
WR	Granville Anderson,	Tuft
DB	Dwayne Mills,	Centenary College
LB	Chris Cooper,	Belhaven
OL	Cedric May,	East Texas Baptist University
DE	Christopher White,	Butler CC
RB	Jacobi Jefferson,	PRCC
DT	Ryan McVay,	PRCC
DE	Nasir Hudson,	Indy
WR	Jamari Evans,	Tyler

POS	Name (Hometown, State)	School Signed To
RB	Michi Bean,	SMCC
LS	Grant Denicola,	CCC
DT	Braylon Dusing,	Indy
DE	Jalen Anderson (Slidell, LA)	PRCC / Florida International
LB	Gabryel Leslie,	JM
LB	Corey Ledet Jr,	DCCC
LB	Zeke Carwile (Huntsville, Al)	Campbellsville University
DB	Alex Simon,	Clarke
OL	Brenn Ray,	Louisiana Christian
WR	Jayden Sonnier,	Louisiana Christian
DT	Travail Hamilton	Bethel
RB	Zerrick Jones	Texas College
RB	James Owens (Pine, LA)	Louisiana Christian
QB	Samuel Tullos	Louisiana Christian
RB	Douglas Thornton	Louisiana Christian
TE	Hayden Johnson	Louisiana Christian
LB	Cedric Allen Jr.	Culver-St
DB	Maximus Kadrmas	DSU
OL	Blaine Savoie (Rosepine, LA)	Louisiana Christian
WR	Lance Rumbelow	Calum

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RB	Chad Elzy Jr. (Donaldsonville, LA)	Kentucky State
WR	Ellis Stewart (Cecilia, LA)	Arkansas Pine Bluff
QB	Rida Ghazzali (Jefferson, LA)	West Alabama
WR	Darius Washington (Alexandria, LA)	Louisiana Christian
QB	James Lucas IV (Alexandria, LA)	Sterling College
WR	Jimmie Duncan (Alexandria, LA)	Northwestern State
CB	Caleb Ricks (St. Amant, LA)	Idaho
DE	DeReyon Jenkins Jr. (Slidell, LA)	Rice
DE	Jakayln Roy (Carencro, LA)	Crown College
RB	Rejohn Zeno (Jennings, LA)	Millikin University
TE/DE	Dorrior Hollins (Metairie, LA)	Pearl River Community
S	Jacob Miranda (Pineville, LA)	Northwestern State
LB	Chase Cresson (Baton Rouge, LA)	Morehead State
QB	Dillon Compton (Bunkie, LA)	Southern University
WR	Uriah Wade (DeRidder, LA)	Louisiana Christian
DE	Lyndon Vallery (New Orleans, LA)	Southern University
S	Jaden Lewis (LA)	Evangel University
DB	Caleb Cooper (LA)	Blinn College
ATH	Theo Dunn (LA)	Centenary College
DB	Isaiah McKinney (LA)	Louisiana Christian
DB	Jatari Harris (LA)	East Texas Baptist University
LB	Brian Amune Jr. (LA)	Crown College
LB	Gavin Borland (Dry Prong, LA)	Louisiana Christian
DL	Kourtland Elie (Dry Prong, LA)	Louisiana Christian
LB	Landon Fredieu (Dry Prong, LA)	Louisiana Christian
WR	Timothy Johnson (St. Amant, LA)	Langston University
WR	Kade Whitehead (Baton Rouge, LA)	Centenary College
CB	Taiylor Bradsher (Pensacola, FL)	Peru State
QB	Nino Freeman (Pensacola, FL)	Hutchinson Community
RB	Jaylon Nichols (Monroe, LA)	North Carolina
WR	Raijon Sims (Marshall, TX)	Emporia State
CB	Chrissean Jones (Pensacola, FL)	West Alabama
QB	Keagan Ables (Hawley, TX)	Hardin-Simmons University
DE	Lynford Noriega (Buda, TX)	Mary Hardin-Baylor
WR	Demil Garrett (Franklinton, LA)	Kilgore College
LB	Jamaal LaCaze Jr. (New Orleans, LA)	Ottawa University
DB	Jay Wright (Delhi, LA)	Millsaps College
CB	Hayden Jackson (Buda, TX)	Mary Hardin-Baylor
RB	Caleb Joseph (Baton Rouge, LA)	Centenary College
RB	Makin Lenard (Monroe, LA)	Ouachita Baptist
DB	Andrew England (Harrisburg, AR)	Rhodes College
RB	Cayden Jones (Walker, LA)	Southeastern Louisiana University
DB	Kaleb Daniels (Lafayette, LA)	Arkansas Monticello
WR	Stone Celestin (Covington, LA)	Trinity University
LB	Jeremiah Coleman (Baton Rouge, LA)	Southern University
DL	Isaiah McFarland (Mangham, LA)	Arkansas Tech
OL	Preston Jones (Baton Rouge, LA)	Nicholls State
OL	Daniel Cole (Jonesboro, AR)	Murray State
WR	Justin Oubre (Gonzales, LA)	Louisiana Christian
DL	DaMorion Burk (White Castle, LA)	University of Virginia at Lynchburg
DT	Courtlyn Houston (Lake Charles, LA)	Lamar University
LB	Khalik Bell (New Orleans, LA)	Ottawa University.
DE	Titus Harrell (Ferriday, LA)	John Melvin University.
S	Jaiven Lewis (Lafitte, LA)	Victor Valley College.
RB/WR	Tyrin Singleton (Ferriday, LA)	John Melvin University.
LS	Wyatt Reed (Pensacola, FL)	Peru State.
OL	Caiden Young (Pensacola, FL)	John Melvin University.
OL	Peyton Mays (Dora, AL)	LaGrange College.
WR	Keenan Butler (Baton Rouge, LA)	Trine University.
WR	Ramleo Howard (Slidell, LA)	University of Louisiana
WR	Catron Hargrove (Baton Rouge, LA)	Long Beach City Community College
LS	Landon McGrath (Slidell, LA)	Millsaps
OL	Darryon Simmons (Baton Rouge, LA)	Naples (Postgrad)



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The 2025 Gridiron Football All-American Bowl Game returns December 27th–30th at Louisiana Christian University, bringing together top high school talent from across the nation to compete in front of college coaches. This prestigious event has helped over 98% of its participants receive scholarship offers, with more than \$100 million in scholarships awarded by colleges over the past seven years.

More than just a game, the Bowl Week features the annual “7on7 with the Pros” on December 28th, where seven former NFL and college standouts spend seven minutes each motivating and inspiring athletes, parents, and guests. This unique mentorship session has become a cornerstone of the Gridiron Bowl experience, offering invaluable life and leadership lessons.

The event also has a growing economic impact on the Central Louisiana (CenLa) region, driving tourism, hotel bookings, and local business engagement during Bowl Week. With a strong track record of helping kids and uplifting communities, the 2025 Bowl Game promises to be the most impactful yet.

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