## **2017 CULLMAN COUNTY**

# Gridiron Guide





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# Addison Bulldogs



## AM ROSTE

- 1. Logan Wilkins, 9, REC
- 2. Zayne Guthrie, 11, QB/RB
- 7. Brett Smith, 10, REC
- 8. Luke Chambers, 10, REC
- 10 Bryant Ridgeway, 12, QB/REC 30. Kendrick Smith, 9, REC
- 12. Jake Blackburn, 12, REC
- 13. Braxton Preuitt, 12, RB/REC
- 14. Gage Gilliland, 11, QB/REC
- 15. Justice Waldrep, 11, TE
- 17. Tyler Borden, 12, RB/REC
- 18. Grant Rice, 10, QB/REC
- 20. Matthew Harris, 10, REC
- 22. Blake Denson, 9, RB

- 23. Dayson Parker, 10, RB
- 24. John Naylor, 11, REC
- 26. Caleb Crider, 10, RB
- 27. Ethan Baker, 10, REC

- 32. Ben Robinson, 12, RB
- 43. Weston Smith, 9, OL
- 44. Jacob Smithson, 10, RB
- 50. Braxton Morgan, 9, OL
- 51. Payton Yarbrough, 11, OL
- 54. Hayden Ray, 11, OL
- 55. Trace Thompson, 11, OL
- **56.** Kody Benton, 12, OL

- 57. Landon Lee, 9, OL
- 58. Jake Wilson, 10, OL
- 60. Bailey Wilson, 9, OL
- 61. Gavin Jones, 10, OL
- 64. Jackson Carroll, 12, OL
- 66. Alex Melson, 10, OL
- 70. Jeb Robinson, 10, OL
- 72. Tim Trussell, 10, OL
- 73. Caleb Simmons, 9, OL
- 74. Caleb Ergle, 12, OL
- **76.** Luke Waldrep, 10, OL

## **SCHEDULE**

- **Aug. 25** Elkmont 7:00 (A)
- Sept. 1 Hanceville 7:00 (H)
- Sept. 8 Southeastern 7:00 (A)
- Sept. 15 Sumiton Christian 7:00 (H)
- **Sept. 22** Lynn 7:00 (A)
- **Sept. 29 -** Vinemont 7:00 (A)
- Oct. 6 Decatur Heritage 7:00 (H)
- Oct. 13 Meek 7:00 (A)
- Oct. 20 RA Hubbard 7:00 (H)
- Nov. 3 Winston County 7:00 (H)

CHEERLEADERS: Mattie Womack, Hannah Mertens, Josie Womack, Katlyn Anders, Emee Baldwin, Julie Hatcher, Amanda Erb, Juliana Plaza, Chloe Brockwell, Rheagan Holland and Lexi Anders

COACHES: David Smothers - head, defensive coordinator, Woody Smothers - offensive coordinator, defensive backs, Scott Flynn - receivers, defensive backs, Ray Yarbrough - offensive line, defensive line, Brian Denson - running backs, Shane Chambers - defensive ends, linebackers and Brandon Womack - defensive backs

## Addison looks for another deep playoff run

ast season was one that the Addison Bulldogs will never forget. They went undefeated during the regular season, and advanced to the semifinals before falling to Pickens County, 23-6, to finish 13-1 and take Region 7, Class 1A title. Coach David Smothers, who will be going into his sixth year as head coach, is 41-17 in his career with the Bulldogs.

Smothers will lose some key players this season: QB Noah Rice, RB Zeb Maze, DB Chandler Cookenmaster, T Matthew Mann, C Micah James and TE Collin Bentley. But he will have some coming back: QB, CB, SS Zayne Guthrie (SR); QB Bryant Ridgeway (SR); WR Jake Blackburn (SR); WR, SS Gage Gilliland (JR); and seniors WR, CB, SS Braxton Preuitt; WR, CB, DT Koby Denton; DT Jackson Carroll; and G, T Caleb Ergle.

The team will come into this season with a heavy heart, as sophomore T Will Gunnin was killed in a car accident four days after their loss to Pickens County. He was a huge contributor for the Bulldogs on the offensive line, helping them control the line of scrimmage.

Addison participated in 7-on-7 drills a few times during the summer, and freshman WR Logan Wilkins got plenty of reps. Smothers will look to increase the passing plays during the season, but he will not get away from the running game. He would like to see the defense improve more this season, and has some questions on that side of the ball.

"We are going to be more comfortable throwing the ball this year than we were last year. We are still going to run it, but we will throw it a lot more," said Smothers. "We have some questions in the secondary that we need to get answered. We have got to get more aggressive. We feel we have people that can make plays."

The Bulldogs hope to get those questions answered before their season opener on Aug. 25 at Elkmont. Their home opener will be on Sept. 1 against Hanceville, then they will be back on the road the

following week against Southeastern. Region play will start on Sept. 15 against Sumiton Christian. They will travel to Lynn and Vinemont the next two weeks, then it will be back to region play for two of the next three weeks as they host Decatur Heritage on Oct. 6, then after a road game against Meek, it will be another regional game against R.A. Hubbard. After a bye week, the Bulldogs will finish the season at home against Winston County on Nov. 3.

By: Sammy Confer

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# Cold Springs Eagles



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## **TEAM ROSTER**

#1 Brodi Williams, 9, QB

#2 Izaiah Estell, 9, WR

#3 Kevin Brakefield, 12, WR

#4 Mason Harris, 11, WR

#5 Ayden Alexander, 9, RB

#6 Matthew Mckinney, 10, RB

#8 Clay Rollo, 11, RB

#10 Jordan Lacey, 10, QB

#11 Gage Morton, 10, RB

#14 Calvin McNabb, 11, TE

#17 Austin Lively, 9, RB

#20 Leighton Keller, 11, TE

#23 Adam Hill, 9, K

#24 Caleb Roden, 11, RB

#28 Francisco Ayala, 11, WR

#34 Brayden Williams, 12, FB

#37 Beau Anderson, 9, TE

#40 Payton Dunn, 12, WR

#48 Houston McCarn, 10, RB

#51 Gavin Parrish, 8, OL

#52 Cole Garmon, 11, OL

#53 Payton Parsons, 11, OL

#54 Caleb McClendon, 8, OL

#55 Richard Armstrong, 11, OL

#56 Jacob McClendon, 9, OL

**#58** Zeke White, 8, OL

#60 Brian McAnnally, 12, OL

#61 Jon Campbell, 12, OL

#62 Garrett Dyle, 12, OL

#63 Stephen Boyett, 10, OL

#65 Grant Lang, 10, OL

#70 Christian Perez, 11, OL

#72 Dalton Boisell, 12, OL

#74 Seth Edgeworth, 12, OL

#75 Will Swann, 11, OL

#**79** Grayson Phillips, 8, OL

#85 Roberto Ayala, 9, WR

#87 Zach Rose, 12, WR

## **SCHEDULE**

**Aug. 25** - Hanceville 7:00 (A)

**Sept. 1** - Berry 7:00 (H)

**Sept. 8** - Tarrant 7:00 (A)

**Sept. 22** - Falkville 7:00 (A)

**Sept. 29** - Good Hope 7:00 (A)

Oct. 6 - West End 7:00 (H)

**Oct. 13** - Winston County 7:00 (A)

Oct. 20 - Tanner 7:00 (H)

Oct. 27 - Cleveland 7:00 (H)

**Nov. 2** - Danville 7:00 (H)

CHEERLEADERS: (Left to right): Breanna Bell, Jazmin Bobo, Katie Salley, Brooklynn Swann, Madison Isbell, Jessica Roden, Mallory Ballenger, Jada Peterson, Rachel Haynes, Taylor Teems, Skye Knowles, Ali Burleson, Kylie Gann, Hailey McClendon, Emma McClendon, Sadie McClendon, Hannah Stricklin, Samantha Wilcutt and Savannah Aaron

COACHES: Rod Elliott - head, Matt Negron, Adam McKinnon, Justin Cornelius, Wesley McSwain, Jason White and Jason Thomas

### Cold Springs looking to soar to new heights

he 2016 season was one of ups and downs for the Cold Springs Eagles. After dropping their first two games of the season, they went on a five-game winning streak, but finished on a three-game losing streak and fell 27-14 to Sheffield in the first round of the playoffs to finish with a record of 5-6 and 4-2 in Class 2A, Region 7, which landed them in the no. three spot.

The Eagles will look to fill some big holes at QB and in the backfield after losing graduating seniors Cayde Elliott, Nic Rollo and Fisher Willoughby, along with G Tyler Rollo, LB Justin Jones and K Trevor Slayton.

But they will have some good talent returning and some starting their first season on the varsity squad: QBs Brodie Williams (FR), and Jordan Lacey (SO), RB, LB Kevin Brakefield (SR), RB Ayden Alexander (FR), RB Austin Lively, WR Mason Harris (JR), RB Brayden Williams (FR), and most of their offensive line, including Brian McAnnally, Garrett Dyle, Seth Edgeworth, Will Swann and Jonathan Campbell.

Coach Rod Elliott will be entering his 10th season as the Eagles' head coach, tying him with Tommy Youngblood, who coached the team in 1988-95 and in 2000-2001. Elliott was 22-20 from 2002-2005 before he retired, and Cold Springs went 3-47 between 2007-2011, including a 35-game losing streak, before Elliott decided to come back from retirement. He has a 28-25 record from 2012-2016, including a 25-18 mark the last four seasons, and the Eagles have made the playoffs the past three seasons.

The Eagles will travel to Hanceville on Aug. 25 to start off the season. Then, in September, three of their four games will be on the road. After they play Berry in their home opener to start out September, they will travel to Tarrant in a big region game early on, and after a bye week, they continue their regional play as they take a trip to Falkville, then head to rival Good Hope. They will play back-to-back region games to start out October. The Eagles will host West End, then take a trip to Winston County. The final three games will be at home: Tanner, Cleveland, and Danville.

By: Sammy Confer





## Britton's Bearcats eyeing title run

ootball season is back for the Cullman
Bearcats as Mark Britton enters his
17th season as the longest tenured
and winningest coach in Cullman
High School's history. Britton is 13060 in his time as coach of the Bearcats, averaging just more than eight wins per season.

The Bearcats have some key players to replace going into this season including All-State safety and wide receiver Owen Lovell as well as Hunter Brannon on the offensive line. Britton feels confident in the guys that are stepping up to fill positions this season after what he feels was a productive off-season.

"We're real excited of the new year. We have experienced in our skilled positions and a little inexperienced in our offensive line. We have depth this year at quarterback, running backs and on defense," Britton said. "We are going to miss All-State Owen Lovell in the secondary. Dylan Wallace is stepping up in his place. We're excited to get the season underway. We had a good summer by attending three 7-on-7 series. We have had an average of 70 kids working out per day for the summer. We spent the week before fall practice covering special teams. We have a lot of things we are working on to stay organized."

The Bearcats do have 11 starters returning this season including senior quarterback Fletcher Jennings, junior running back Ezra Burks and Eastern Kentucky commitment Tyler Nunnelley on the offensive line.

The Bearcats open up the season at home against Hartselle on Aug. 25. It'll be the first

time Hartselle and Cullman have played in a season-opening game since Sept. 2, 1966. Hartselle leads the all-time series 46-45-4.

Cullman's key games within Region 7 of Class 6A thisseasonincludeamatchup with Albertvilleathome on Sept. 8, a road game at Oxford on Sept. 15, at home the next week against Fort Payne on Sept. 22, and against Southside-Gadsden on the road on Oct. 20.

Entering their 17th season under coach Mark Britton, the Bearcats look to capitalize on experience returning in key positions and compete for the 6A title in Region 7.

By: Nick Griffin

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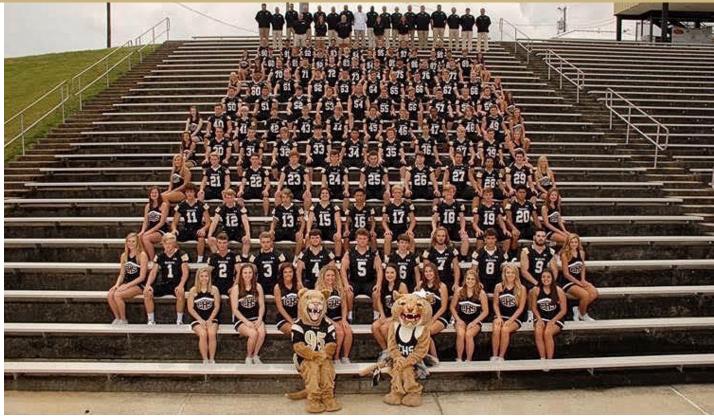


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## **TEAM ROSTER**

#1 Dylan Wallace, 11, DB #2 Hayden Henderson, 12, WR #3 Reese Harbison, 12, WR #4 Brannon Calvert, 12, WR #5 Josh Skinner, 12, LB #6 Brayden Scroggins, 10, WR #7 Collier Hulsey, 12, DL #8 Fletcher Jennings, 12, QB #9 Dale Justice, 12, DL #11 Dylan Finch, 12, WR #12 Carson Freeman, 12, WR #13 Ashton Twilley, 10, QB #15 Wyatt Slayton, 12, DB #16 Jaden Kay, 9, QB #17 Max Dueland, 9, QB **#18** Jaron Potter, 12, DB #19 Griffin Barksdale, 9, LB #20 Jaylen Hughey, 9, RB #21 Dylan McSwain, 12, WR #22 Kasey Murphree, 12, DB #23 Tucker Heaton, 12, LB #24 Peyton Colvard, 11, DB #25 Jayden Sullins, 10, RB #26 Jacob White, 12, LB #27 Ezra Burks, 11, RB #28 Alex Shepard, 9, LB

#29 Holden Atchison, 10, LB

#30 Alex Campbell, 12, WR

#31 Cole Herfurth, 9, LB

#33 Shane Cecil, 12, DB

#32 Canaan Lipsey, 11, LB

#34 Eric Lopez, 10, DL #35 Gavin Burtis, 11, LB #36 Dustin Speake, 10, DB #37 Seth Gable, 11, LB #38 Abraham Tekulve, 11, WR #39 Clay Conway, 12, DB #40 A.J. Coffey, 10, LB #41 Ethan Moore, 9, DB #42 Matthew Brock, 9, DB #43 Brian Kuri, 9, DB #44 John Reed Vandiver, 9, DL #45 Riley Schaefer, 9, DB #46 Cannon Trimble, 9, DB #47 Alfredo Lejarazo, 9, DB **#48** Zane Melton, 10, LB **#49** Riley Bradford, 11, LB #50 Owen Young, 9, OL #51 Lane Smith, 10, OL #52 Parker Hyatt, 9, OL #53 Zak Stewart, 12, DL #54 David Dueland, 12, DL #55 Gage Butler, 9, OL #56 Carson Jones, 12, LB #57 Kyle Schultz, 10, OL #**58** Gavin Bush, 9, OL #59 Ben Turner, 10, OL #60 Diego Rodriguez, 10, OL #61 Tyler Nunnelley, 12, OL #62 Garrett Crider, 10, OL #63 Will Stallings, 10, OL #64 Brock Laminack, 12, OL

#65 Will Lowery, 10, OL #66 Colton McConnell, 11, OL #67 Parker Andrews, 9, OL #**68** Jay Knop, 9, OL #**70** Dylan Yankee, 12, OL #**71** Jordan Ray, 11, OL #72 Rutland Turner, 12, OL #73 Tanner Heatherly, 10, OL #74 Tyler White, 9, OL #75 Jonathan Peyton, 12, OL #76 Jed Wilson, 9, OL #77 Carter Borden, 11, OL #80 Kennedy Griffin, 9, WR #81 Cameron Starnes, 11, WR #82 Gavin Monroe, 9, DB #83 Braiden Aris, 11, DB #84 Braxton King, 10, DB #85 Isaiah Jones, 9, WR #86 Ethan Echols, 9, WR #87 Gabe Sosa, 9, WR #88 Miguel Tizapa, 12, PK #**89** Ben Smith, 12, WR **#90** Luke Andrews, 11, PK #91 Issac Rodriguez, 12, PK #92 David Miller, 12, DL #93 Josh Miranda, 9, DL #94 Matt Vogelaar, 10, DL #95 Landon Campbell, 9, DL #97 Gavin Robertson, 12, DL

# SCHEDULE Aug. 25 - Hartselle 7:00 (H) Sept. 1 - North Jackson 7:00 (A)

**Sept. 15** - Oxford 7:00 (A)

Sept. 8 - Albertville 7:00 (H)

**Sept. 22** - Fort Payne 7:00 (H)

**Sept. 29** - Fayette County 7:00 (H)

Oct. 6 - Pell City 7:00 (A)

**Oct. 20** - Southside 7:00 (A)

Oct. 27 - Brewer 7:00 (H)

**Nov. 3** - Chelsea 7:00 (A)

CHEERLEADERS: Savanna Ball, Madison Bates, Elizabeth Baughn, Sarah Brock, Emily Klair Brown, Kennedy Cooper, Megan Flynt, Kacie Griffith, Kate Davis Heatherly, Ellie Jones, Emily Little, Sydney Ratliff, Kyleigh Robinson, Ashton Story, Lauren Sumrall and Kennedy Witcher. Mascots: Caitlin McDonald and Alyssa Sandlin

COACHES: Mark Britton – head, Brandon Dingler, Trent Walker, Jeremy Peek, Kenny Gleaton, Luke Hackbarth, Bill Griffin, Matt Hopper, Ty Campbell, Kyle Morris, Jonlee Sasser, Brandon Osborn, Austin Mansell, Jonathan Romine, John Drake, Donnie Parker and Mark Stephens



# Fairview Aggies



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## **TEAM ROSTER**

#1 Mason Black, 10, RB/LB

#2 Grant Howard, 12, RB/DB

#3 Ethan Holland, 12, WR/DB

**#4** Mathew Carpenter, 12, WR/DB

**#5** Cole Walker, 9, WR/DB

#6 Dayne Black, 11, QB/LB

#7 Joey Simmons, 9, WR/LB

#8 Jordan Earwood, 12, WR/DB

#9 Garrett Dunn, 12, RB/LB

#10 Scoot Bennett, 12, WR/LB

#11 Klay Knop, 12, WR/DB

#12 Oakley Mullican, 10, QB/LB

#15 Parker Martin, 8, QB/LB

#16 Isaac Gandy, 11, WR/LB

#17 Donte Dumas, 11, WR/DB

#20 Tyvn Ellis, 10, OL/DL

#23 Jeremy Cloud, 12, RB/LB

#24 Eli Speegle, 9, WR/DB

#28 Devin Eddleman, 11, WR/DB

#33 Ethan Satterfield, 10, RB/LB

#36 Trenton Stroud, 9, WR/DB

#40 Eric Taylor, 12, WR/LB

**#50** Brian Apreza, 9, OL/DL

**#51** Clay Jeffers, 11, OL/DL

#52 Kyle Kitts, 11, OL/DL

#53 Alex Medina, 11, OL/DL

#56 Will Bailey, 9, OL/DL

#59 Gavin Filippone, 10, OL/DL

#61 Jared Gaddis, 10, OL/DL

#62 Jaxxon Swann, 11, K

#63 Dylan Garner, 11, OL/DL

#64 Eric Bachelor, 9, OL/DL

#65 Levi Garner, 9, OL/DL

#66 Jared Bachelor, 11, OL/DL

#68 Elvis Pesina, 11, OL/DL

#70 Trevor Cheatham, 10, OL/DL

#71 Michael Cruz, 9, OL/DL

#**74** Adam Parker, 9, OL/DL

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#75 Brier Grace, 9, OL/DL#77 Cash Hanson, 12, OL/DL

#80 Daniel Cook, 10, WR/DB

## **SCHEDULE**

Aug. 25 - E. Limestone (Jamboree) 7:00 (H)

Sept. 1 - East Lawrence 7:00 (A)

**Sept. 8** - Corner 7:00 (H)

**Sept. 15** - Bye

Sept. 22 - Mortimer Jordan 7:00 (A)

**Sept. 29** - Priceville 7:00 (A)

Oct. 6 - West Point 7:00 (HC)

Oct. 13 - Curry 7:00 (A)

Oct. 20 - Hayden 7:00 (H)

Oct. 27 - Springville 7:00 (A)

Nov. 3 - Holly Pond (Senior Night) 7:00 (H)

CHEERLEADERS: Paci Martin, Shayla Denney, Larissa Leathers, Madison Earwood, Kaylee Chamness, Kaytlin Ford, Ella Tankersley and Sadey Sizemore

COACHES: George Redding, Junior – head, wide receivers and safeties, Brian Simmon – defensive coordinator and linebackers, Wes Harden – offensive line and strength coach, Will Tidwell – defensive line, Trett Hardman – quarterbacks, running backs and defensive backs and Ragan Ashley – running backs and linebackers

Trainers include: Lindsey Kent – head athletic trainer - Managers: Kolt Redding and Luke Loyd

# Fairview ready to roll

#### Redding set to overtake school record

here is history in the making on the campus of Fairview High School. Head coach George Redding heads into his 11th season with the purple and gold, tying his home stadium's namesake, Dafford Smith.

Redding has posted an impressive 63-44 record over the course of 10 seasons with the Aggies and will move into the all-time lead with three victories this season, the Ag-

gies first full season in their home stadium since 2013, surpassing former head coach Smith who was 65-54 from 1986 to 1996.

accomplish this feat, he is going to have to rely on some returning veterans and some fresh faces. Dayne Black will take the majority of the snaps under center for the Aggies as he looks to fill the shoes left by Reagan Ashley. Scoot Bennett who also play strong safety, Garrett Dunn who also plays linebacker, Ethan Holland who also plays cornerback and Jeremy Cloud will be looking to replace Sambo Woods who hauled in catches left and right for Fairview in 2016. Mason Black looks to take the pigskin for Fairview in the backfield, replacing graduating running back Logan Brooks.

Guard / nose guard Alex Medina, guard

/ defensive end Seth Bavar, offensive lineman Cash Hansen and kicker Jaxxon Swann also return for the Aggies this year.

"We have been working hard in continuing to build our program. We are nowhere at the present time where we need to be. We are making progress. We are certainly taking steps in the right direction," Redding said on the Aggies' desire to improve on last year's 5-5 finish.

"We got ourselves involved in competitive competition in the summer. We don't have a lot of experience. The competitive competition gave us a very good look to see what we need to do," he said of summer workouts."We had guys working very hard in the weight room in the summer, getting stronger. We finished out the summer with good fellowship and come into fall practice with a burning desire to roll."

By: Josh McBrayer

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# Good Hope Raiders



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## **TEAM ROSTER**

#22 Dalton Farr, 10, WR/DB

#1 Matt Hancock, 11, RB/DB
#2 Bailey Quick, 11, QB/DB
#3 Preston Bagwell, 11, WR/DB
#4 Hudson Leverett, 10, RB/DL
#5 Levi McCall, 11, WR/DB
#6 Eli Pugh, 9, RB/DB
#7 Mason Moniz, 12, WR/DB
#8 Cameron Twilley, 11, K/WR
#9 Kyle Carlton, 12, WR/DB
#10 Jesse Blackmon, 9, WR/DB
#11 Connor Kilpatrick, 9, WR/DB

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#12 John King, 10, QB/DB
#13 Sam Jones, 11, TE/DL
#14 Will Dickerson, 12, RB/DB
#15 Isaiah Green, 11, TE/DL
#19 Matt Schwaiger, 11, RB/LB
#20 Justin Wisener, 10, TE/DL
#21 Oscar Tepetate, 11, WR/DB

#23 Josh Shikle, 9, TE/DL #24 Colton Bagwell, 9, RB/LB #25 Michael Owens, 9, RB/DB #28 Will Flynt, 9, RB/DB #30 Eli Ray, 10, WR/DB #32 Lawton Farr, 9, WR/DB #33 Jared Pugh, 9, RB/LB #35 Elijah Haynes, 10, WR/DB #41 Robert Roberson, 12, K #42 Devin Moody, 9, LB #44 Matt Dixon, 11, RB/LB #50 Doston Putman, 9, OL/DL #51 Nelson Hernandez, 9, OL/DL #52 Dawson Speegle, 11, OL/DL #54 Cody Dye, 9, OL/DL #55 Zachary Hall, 9, WR/DB

**#56** Peyton Hill, 11, OL/DL

#57 Jackson Dillashaw, 9, OL/DL #58 Jackson Hancock, 11, OL/DL #60 C.J. Huff, 9, WR/DB #61 Riley Kilpatrick, 11, OL/DL #63 Trevor Pace, 10, OL/DL #64 Alec McDonald, 9, OL/DL #65 Lucas Hill, 9, OL/DL #66 Ethan Rasco, 11, OL/DL #67 Justin Rasco, 11, OL/DL #70 Riley Beatty, 10, WR/DB #71 Ethan Anderson, 9, OL/DL #74 Axell Reynolds, 9, OL/DL #77 Tucker Putman, 12, OL/DL #80 Nick Fletcher, 10, TE/LB #84 Zachary Turney, 12, TE/DL #88 Cody Malin, 10, WR/DB

## **SCHEDULE**

Aug. 24 - (Jamboree) Susan Moore 7:00 (H)

Aug. 31 - Vinemont 7:00 (A)

**Sept. 8** - Fayette 7:00 (H)

**Sept. 15** - Hamilton 7:00 (A)

**Sept. 22** - Cordova 7:00 (H)

**Sept. 29** - Cold Springs 7:00 (HC)

Oct. 6 - Winfield 7:00 (A)

Oct. 13 - Haleyville 7:00 (H)

Oct. 20 - West Point 7:00 (H)

**Oct. 27** - Dora 7:00 (A)

**Nov. 3** - Hanceville 7:00 (A)

CHEERLEADERS: Seniors: Madison Rushing, Hannah Allred, Maddie Creel and Makayla Lackey - Sophomores: Emma Brock, Bella Davis, Savana Derrick, Sidney English, Destiny Powe, Callie Shelton and Julee Turner - Mascot: Hanna Hancock

COACHES: Alan Scott - head, Taft Dillashaw, Mitch Witcher, Patrick McDonald, Justin Ray, Ethan Cofer, Matt McCulloch and George Norton



## Good Hope looking to rebound this season

ast season was one that the Good Hope Raiders want to forget, going winless for the first time since 1995. But that is in the past, and coach Alan Scott, who is in his third year as head coach, is hoping to see a big turnaround in 2017.

The Raiders lost just three seniors from last season, and they have almost everybody coming back, including QB/WR Preston Bagwell (JR), WR Matt Hancock (JR), RB Matt Dixon (JR), WR Kyle Carlton (SR), WR/RB Will Dickerson (SR), DE/RB Austin Knight (JR), DE Peyton Hill (JR), DE/LB Riley Kilpatrick (JR), WR/DB Mason Moniz (SR), and T Tucker Pitman (SR). They have also added junior QB Bailey Quick, who transferred from Cullman.

There is a new offensive coordinator for Good Hope; Mitch Witcher is back after spending two seasons at West Point. Scott is the new defensive coordinator, and Taft Dillashaw will coach the interior line. The Raiders participated in the 7-on-7 drill at Falkville this summer, going 4-o, including two games in which they came back late to win.

Scott is just 3-17 in his two seasons at his alma mater after taking over in 2015 for Chris Moss. After making the playoffs twice while he was the head coach of the Vinemont Eagles, Scott is looking for his team to take that next big step and clinch a playoff berth. During the summer, he says he really started to see a lot more leadership during practice and he is hoping that will continue to grow with each passing week. Plus, the attitude for this team could not be better right now; it's been very positive, and his team is itching to get the season started on the right foot.

"We are ready to get going," Scott said. "Our guys have worked real hard. We have a good attitude. That has been built off the hard work we put into it during the spring. We maintained that good attitude in the summer. We've got more leadership. We have guys that will hold one another accountable. The positive attitude has been very good to see on this team."

The Raiders will start the season on the road against Vinemont on Aug. 31. Good Hope leads the all-time series, 29-16. Their home opener will be on Sept. 8 against Fayette County, then after a road game against Hamilton, back-to-back home games will await them as they will face Cordova and Cold Springs. Then, it's a trip to Winfield to start out the month of October, after which they will host Haleyville and West Point in consecutive home games. The Raiders will close out the season with trips to Dora and Hanceville.

By: Sammy Confer

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# Hanceville Bulldogs



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## **TEAM ROSTER**

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#2 Antonio Bautista, 11, DB/WR

#4 Angel Cortez, 9, DB/WR

#5 Brendan Flanigan, 12, DB/WR

#6 R.J. Evans, 11, RB/LB

#7 Mark Dyer, 11, QB/DB

#8 Alex Chacon, 9, DB/WR

#9 Isaac Holmes, 11, RB/LB

**#10** Fredrick Ellis, 11, DB/WR

#11 Romael Simmons, 11, DB/WR

**#12** T.J. Kubia, 11, DB/RB

#14 Tristian Collins, 12, DB/WR

**#15** Bo Joles, 9, QB/DB

#17 Allen Huckaby, 9, RB/LB

#18 Brandon Griggs, 10, WR/DB

**#19** Alex Campbell, 11, QB/DB

#20 Logan Guthery, 9, DB/WR

#22 Owen Harper, 11, RB/LB

#23 Karsen Wilbanks, 9, TE/LB

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#24 Micah Sarget, 11, RB/LB

#32 Damion Johnson, 11, TE/DL

#33 Jarrett Bailey, 12, WR/DB

#34 Oden George, 10, TE/DL

#37 Noah Brown, 10, WR/DB

#50 Kendrick Johnson, 9, OL/DL

#52 Will Akin, 10, OL/DL

#53 Greyson Jones, 10, OL/DL

#54 Caleb Kilgo, 10, OL/DL

#55 Colin Long, 11, OL/DL

#60 Cainon Moore, 10, OL/DL

#62 Jacob Bracken, 10, OL/DL

#69 Zac Hamilton, 9, OL/DL

#70 Blake Cooper, 12, OL/DL

#72 Logan McKee, 11, OL/DL

#73 Jose Benitez, 9, OL/DL

#76 David Bailey, 9, OL/DL

#77 Tristin Cornelius, 11, OL/DL

#80 Brandon Moore, 10, TE/LB

## **SCHEDULE**

**Aug. 25** - Cold Springs 7:00 (H)

**Sept. 1** - Addison 7:00 (A)

Sept. 8 - Fultondale 7:00 (H)

**Sept. 15** - Vinemont 7:00 (A)

**Sept. 22** - J.B. Pennington 7:00 (A)

**Sept. 29** - Clements 7:00 (A)

Oct. 6 - Susan Moore 7:00 (H)

Oct. 13 - Holly Pond 7:00 (H)

Oct. 20 - Locust Fork 7:00 (A)

**Nov. 3** - Good Hope 7:00 (H)

CHEERLEADERS: Front row: Katie Lee, Malia Howell, Sadie Eddy, Tess Brown, Madalyn Wilbanks, Lauren Roberson, Shayla Day and Breanna Ballou

Back row: Jay Hurst (Spike), Jada Graves, Janiya Burnett, Mollie Hall, Maggie Ramirez, Alexia Edwards, Katlin Schultz, Raenon Rider, Alyssa Acklin and Mackenzie

Harris (Spice)

COACHES: Craig Flanigan - head, Chris Ryan, Micheal Chandler, Josh Davis, Tyler Calvert, Randell Waldrep and Corey Ward



# Hanceville Bulldogs

## Bulldogs building under Flanigan

he Hanceville Bulldogs are entering their second season under head coach Craig Flanigan. The Bulldogs posted a 3-7 record in their first year under Flanigan and look to build on that going forward.

Hanceville returns nine starters this season with plenty of experience in the backfield with junior quarterback Alex Campbell, junior running back Romeal Simmons, junior running back RJ Evans and senior wide out Brendan Flanigan. The Bulldogs have some spots to fill from last season on the offensive line and in the secondary, but Coach Flanigan is pleased with some of the gains he has seen his team make in the summer.

"The kids have progressed. Summer was very big for us making progress and we feel like we're going to be more competitive this year," Flanigan said.

"What has been pleasing has been the willingness we've seen at workouts. We have had kids step up and become leaders of the team. The kids are very upbeat. There is a buzz in the air here that we haven't seen in a long time."

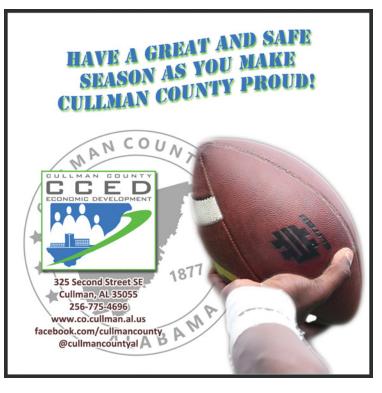
The Bulldogs will play four of their first six games on the road this season after opening against Cold Springs at home in Ray Talley stadium on Aug. 25.

Hanceville will also play some key rematch games against teams they lost to within the region in 2016. Starting at home against Fultondale on Sept. 8, on the road at J.B. Pennington on Sept. 22, back home against Susan Moore on Oct. 6 and on the road at Locust Fork on Oct. 27.

Coach Flanigan looks to build on a productive off-season and several returning starters in major skill positions to improve on last season and be a contender in 2017.

By: Nick Griffin







# Holly Pond Broncos



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## **TEAM ROSTER**

#1 Gabe Fortner, 11, R/OLB

#2 Isac Ludwig, 11, R/C

#3 Kyle Sellers, 12, R/OLB

#4 Rip McBee, 12, R/F/S

#5 Jerimiah Holmes, 11, RB/C

#6 Brody Rowell, 11, RB/OLB

#7 Tyler Boatright, 11, TE/DE

#8 Brody Bagwell, 9, REC/F/S

#9 Tyler Suryono, 9, REC/C

#10 Jacob Ring, 11, TE/ILB

**#11** Dustin Stancill, 12, RB/C

#12 Kyler Chaney, 10, QB/F/S

#13 Luis Garcia, 12, REC/C

#14 Caleb Lambert, 11, REC/C

**#16** Zac Hightower, 12, REC/F/S

#17 Thomas Bell, 9, QB/OLB

#18 Alex Corneligo, 11, REC/DE

#20 Austin Riddle, 11, RB/OLB

#25 Austin Story, 12, REC/F/S

#30 Micah Faulkner, 10, REC/C

#31 Juan Garcia, 9, RB/ILB

#32 Jordan McCorrmich, 11, REC/ILB

#34 Levi Boatright, 9, RB/ILB

#36 Brandon Holmes, 9, RB/C

#42 Andy Garcia, 9, RB/ILB

#44 Dayden Floyd, 9, REC/OLB

#52 Riley Gilliam, 11, C/DT

#55 Jacob Holderfield, 9, G/OLB

#59 Isac Schwaiger, 11, G/ILB

#61 Gavin Phillips, 9, G/DE

#62 Jayden Perkins, 9, TE/DT

#65 Joel Figuoroa, 10, G/DE

#67 Jordan Quick, 12, T/DT

#68 Collin Leathers, 10, C/DE

#**72** Jessee Day, 10, G/DE

#73 Sean Shaddrix, 12, T/DT

#75 Tacoma Brown, 9, G/DT

#77 Brandon Armstrong, 12, T/DE

#79 Colin Colefield, 11, G/DT

## **SCHEDULE**

Aug. 25 - Coosa Christian School 7:00 (H)

Sept. 1 - Brindlee Mountain 7:00 (H)

**Sept. 8** - J. B. Pennington 7:00 (A)

**Sept. 15** - Susan Moore 7:00 (H)

**Sept. 29** - Asbury 7:00 (A)

Oct. 6 - Locust Fork 7:00 (H)

**Oct. 13** - Hanceville 7:00 (A)

Oct. 20 - Fultondale 7:00 (H)

Oct. 27 - Vinemont 7:00 (A)

**Nov. 3** - Fairview 7:00 (A)

CHEERLEADERS: Front row, (left to right): Chiara Godwin, Jaydie Gaines, Katie Tucker, Baylee Chrietzberg, Whitley Hill, Jacey Wise, Alliyah McGriff, Meagan Graveman, Jasmyne Ritchie and Shelbie Olinger - Back row, (left to right): Harmoni Cole, Autumn Sears, Madison Cothren, Conner Lowery, Megan Adkins, Bria Springer and Cayleigh Garrett

COACHES INCLUDE: Mike Bates - head, Ty Wilson, Scott Adams, Larry Reed, Russell Walker, Scotty Graham and Mark Cornelius

## Broncos out to prove 2016 was no fluke

o16 saw the Holly Pond Broncos turn the corner and head coach Mike Bates looks for 2017 to be even better. After starting his tenure at Holly Pond with a 1-29 record, Bates led Holly Pond to respectable 6-5 last year, going 3-3 in region play to break a three-year winless streak.

Returning players from last year's team include quarterback Caleb Lambert, wide receiver / defensive back Alex Corneglio, free safety Kyler Chaney, linebacker Caleb Fortner, tackle Jordan King, center / defensive tackle Riley Gilliland, guard / nose guard Colin Cofield and tight end / linebacker Jacob Riley.

The Broncos lost quarterback Michael Lambert, wide receiver Dylan Morton, wide receiver Matt Cahoon, kicker Todd Schwab, tight end / linebacker Zach Bales and running back Caleb Jones.

"We've had our best season in summer workouts since I've been here. We had great attendance with 90 percent every time we worked out. This group is very aggressive, not afraid of doing hard work," Bates said of his team's hard work over the summer.

"We have good leadership. We have something



that we can build on. This bunch is hungry to prove last year was not a fluke. This is a fun group to coach," he remarked on his returning players.

"We have been pleased in the upgrading of the facility, along with the attendance in summer workouts. We have a high level of commitment to be successful," spoke the fifth-year coach on his team's willingness to do what it takes to be winners. "We are moving on from what we did last year. This group is looking to and will find their identity."

By: Josh McBrayer

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# Meek



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## TEAM ROSTE

<b>#1</b> Nelson Martin, 9, TE	#20 Chris Clark, 11, R
#2 Shawn Harbison, 11, B	#24 Stewart Waldrep, 10, QB
#3 Robert Ehlmanm, 9, B	#25 John Mark Abercrombie, 12, B
#7 Cade Patton, 9, B	#28 Jacob Hutchinson, 9, B
#8 Luke Tidwell, 11, B	#33 Payton Key, 11, QB
<b>#9</b> Luke Sherer, 12, B	#42 Dennis Nalley, 12, TE
#10 Destin Morris, 11, B	#44 Dalton Guthrie, 9, TE
#11 Bryson Hudson, 10, B	#50 Bryar Gibson, 11, L

#12 Gabe Jones, 11, B

#15 David Lockhart, 11, B

#52 James Brown, 10, L #54 Colby Manasco, 10, L #55 Haydon Twilley, 12, L

#61 Hayden Smith, 12, L

#63 Mason Irving, 12, L

#64 Nathaniel Logan, 12, L

#65 Everett Pounds, 9, L

#76 Zeke Dake, 11, L

#77 Aaron Farmer, 9, L

#81 Lane Phillips, 12, TE

#88 Joseph Vines, 11, R

## **SCHEDULE**

Aug. 25 - Phillips (H)

**Sept. 1** - Hubbertville (H)

**Sept. 8** - \*Lynn (A)

**Sept. 15** - \*Decatur Heritage (HC)

**Sept. 22** - Gaylesville (A)

**Sept. 29** - Vina (A)

**Oct. 6** - \*R.A. Hubbard (A)

Oct. 13 - \*Addison (H)

Oct. 20 - \*Southeastern (A)

Oct. 27 - \*Sumiton Christian (H)

**Nov. 3** - Bye

Nov. 10 - First round of playoffs TBA

\*Region Games

CHEERLEADERS: Back row, (left to right): Sherry Harbison, Chloe Martin, Ashlyn Ackley, Autumn Peek, Brooke Cleghorn, Holland Hyatt, BreAnna Eddy and Lauren Henson. Front row, (left to right): Jayden Waldrep, Maria Rivers, Gabrielle Martinez, Sevanna Banks, Lacey Stewart and Maggie Cleghorn. Sponsor is Toni Collier COACHES: David Norwood - head, assistant coaches: Devin Guthrie, Mark Ragsdale, Allen Henderson, Prentice Taylor and Kevin Key

SENIORS: John Mark Abercrombie, Dennis Nalley, Hayden Smith, Mason Irving, Nathaniel Logan and Lane Phillips - Not pictured: Luke Sherer and Haydon Twilley







## Meek looking to improve under new coach Norwood

his season is a critical one for the Meek Tigers under new head coach David Norwood. Norwood takes over after spending the last four years as the defensive coordinator for Cordova High School. During Norwood's time controlling the defense, the Blue Devils put up a 34-16 record reaching the class 4A semifinals in 2014 and 2015 after going just 2-8 in his first season in 2013.

Meek is coming off of a 25-27 record after five years under former head coach Lance Archer, including a 5-5 season in 2016. The Tigers look to take a step forward and continue improving under Norwood and the new coaching staff. Meek has won at least five games in four of their last five seasons.

The Tigers have a strong schedule in front of them in Region 7 of Class 1A this season including key games within the region at home against last year's second place team Decatur Heritage on Sept. 15, on the road at R.A. Hubbard on Oct. 6, last season's region winner Addison at home on Oct. 13, and against last year's third place finisher Sumiton Christian at home to close the regular season on Oct. 27.

The Tigers will also face a three-week stretch of road games this season against Gaylesville on Sept. 22, Vina on Sept. 29 and R.A. Hubbard on Oct. 6.

Norwood looks to bring some of his success coaching for the Blue Devils of Cordova to the Tigers to keep them in playoff contention during the 2017 season.

By: Nick Griffin

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# Vinemont Eagles



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## **TEAM ROSTER**

#30 Collin Teichmiller, 9, WR/DB

#1 Gage Bailey, 12, RB/DL

#2 Travis Hopper, 10, TE/LB

#4 Carl Price, 12, RB/LB

#7 Ethan Burson, 12, WR/DB

#8 Hudson Wood, 11, TE/DE

#9 Blake Ray, 11, WR/LB

#10 Jack Hill, 10, QB

#11 Alonso Salgado, 11, RB/LB

#12 Dustin Moore, 11, RB/DB

#14 Jesus Colchado, 11, WR/LB

#20 Lucas Miller, 10, WR/DB

#22 Cameron Carter, 11, WR/RB/DB

#24 Dallon Dinkle, 10, RB/LB

#28 C.J. O'Neil, 11, WR/DB

#32 Austin Sparks, 12, K

#35 Wyatt Thomason, 10, WR/DB

#40 Caleb Lowery, 10, TE/DE

#47 Mitch Ford, 11, TE/LB

#50 Jake Griggs, 10, OL/DE

#51 Braxton McDuffee, 12, OL/DL

#52 Carson Butts, 9, WR/DB

#53 Brandon Mosley, 12, OL/LB

#54 Jake Borden, 12, OL/DL

#56 Eli Chambers, 10, OL/DL

#58 Tyler Brown, 10, OL/DL

#60 Mathew Brown, 10, OL/DE

#61 Oistin Cornelius, 12, OL/DL

#67 Levi Rusk, 12, OL/DL
#68 Issac Mazzulla, 9, OL/DL
#70 Tyler Black, 9, OL/DL
#71 Tanner Brown, 9, OL/DL
#72 Derrick Ransom, 12, C/DL
#74 Nick Mann, 12, OL/DL
#75 Mathew Barnes, 9, OL/DL
#76 Jordan Terry, 11, OL/DL
#77 Ryan Isbell, 9, OL/DL
#79 Dakota McGraw, 10, OL/DL
#80 Nicholas Wilder, 11, WR/LB
#81 Teague Whatley, 10, WR/DB
#82 Carson Greer, 9, WR/DB

## **SCHEDULE**

**Aug. 31** - Good Hope 7:00 (H)

**Sept. 8** - Locust Fork 7:00 (A)

**Sept. 15** - Hanceville 7:00 (H)

**Sept. 22** - Fultondale 7:00 (H)

**Sept. 29** - Addison 7:00 (H)

**Oct. 6** - Priceville 7:00 (A)

**Oct. 13** - J.B. Pennington 7:00 (A)

**Oct. 20** - Susan Moore 7:00 (A)

**Oct. 27** - Holly Pond 7:00 (H)

**Nov. 3** - Falkville 7:00 (A)

CHEERLEADERS: First row: Jamie Marotz and Kylie Williams - Second row: Colby Duckett, Lexie Burch (Mascot) and Abby Sikes - Third row: Kaylon Helton, Bailey Preiss, Kinlee Puckett and Samantha Millwood - Fourth row: Faith Leonard, Madelyn Oden, Emily Cheatwood and Alexis Holmes.

**COACHES:** Stephen Robinson – head, Cody Harris – offensive coordinator, quarterbacks, secondary, James Brown, special teams coordinator, running backs, offensive linebackers, Todd Johnson – defensive ends, offensive linebackers, wide receivers, David Stokes – strength and conditioning, offensive line, defensive line, Travis Eskew – offensive line, linebackers, Billy Conquest – long snappers, kickers, Stan Jennings– analyst, quarterbacks and Garrett Boland – junior varsity quarterbacks

### New coach looking to light a fire at Vinemont

lthough Vinemont will have a new head coach heading into the 2017 season, it is a name that many Eagles' fans have grown accustomed to. Vinemont alum and former Eagle offensive coordinator Stephen Robertson will take the reins at Vinemont this year.

Heading into his first season at the helm, Robertson is going to have his work cut out for him replacing quarterback Garrett Boland, running back Seth Campbell, fullback Deke Wright, wide receiver Damon Gustafson, tackle Lane Smith and nose guard Jaython Blanton.

Robinson has had success at Vinemont before, as he was part of the 1993 Eagles team that made it to the state quarterfinals. He looks to bring Vinemont back to the prominence it once had, and returning to help him in his quest is running back / linebacker Carl Price, running back / strong safety Alonzo Salgado, quarterback Cameron Carter, wide receiver / running back Nate England, guard Jake Borden, nose guard / guard Nick Mann, tackle Hudson Wood and running back Gage Bailey.

"I feel we are much stronger than in the past. But we are still not where we need to be. We're excited.



Photo by Coach Shannon Bridges

We are coming together with the purpose of a common goal," commented Robertson on his new team.

"We have a large staff with plenty of eyes to be all over the field this season. We are ready to get to the field. Ready to get to football, to deal with the X's and O's of the game," he said about the upcoming season. "We will see how we gel as a team. There are a lot of things that are new and a lot of things that are encouraging."

By: Josh McBrayer



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# West Point Warriors



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## **TEAM ROSTER**

#25 Jack Sellers, 10, WR/FS

#26 Caleb Smith, 12, WR/LB

#1 Dalton White, 12, TE/DE #2 Levi Farley, 10, WR/SS #3 Whitt Laney, 10, WR/FS #4 Logan Hyde, 11, WR/FS #5 Rylan Jones, 11, QB #6 Austin Dubberly, 12, WR/LB #7 Skylar Bowers, 12, WR/CB #8 Brandon Woods, 12, RB/LB #9 Cooper Couch, 10, WR/CB #10 Will Franklin Cochran, 9, QB/SS #11 Kobe Bowers, 9, WR/CB **#12** Hunter Appling, 12, WR/FS #14 Will Brown, 10, WR/SS #15 Kolton Easterwood, 12, QB/CB #16 Charles Laatz, 9, RB/LB #17 Andrew Williams, 9, RB/LB **#18** Cole Guthrie, 11, FB/LB #19 Cameron Bates, 12, WR/LB #20 Hunter Cooper, 10, WR/CB #21 Raylon Moore, 12, WR/CB #22 Brayden Martin, 11, RB/LB #23 Steven Rodriguez, 11, RB/CB #24 Hunter Persall, 11, RB/SS

#27 Matt McDonald, 12, TE/DE #28 Seth Beasley, 9, WR/CB #29 Hunter Morrow, 9, RB/LB **#30** Shaun Beasley, 9, WR/CB #32 Dawson Segars, 11, WR/FS #33 Dalton Hamby, 12, RB/LB #34 Michael Yates, 11, FB/LB #40 Brody Rusk, 10, FB/LB #44 Bailey Calvert, 12, WR/LB #45 Austin Smith, 12, FB/DE #47 Lucas McAvee, 9, RB/LB #50 Jayden Williams, 9, OL/DL #51 Deakon Hembree, 12, OL/DL #52 Walker McElhone, 9, OL/LB #53 Erik Griggs, 10, OL/DL #54 Robert Harbison, 12, OL/DL #55 Darian Wyenandt, 11, OL/DL

#56 Tyler Thompson, 10, OL/DL

#57 Keaton Chappell, 9, OL/LB

#60 Braeden Paterson, 9, OL/DL

#58 Colby Jones, 11, OL/DL

#61 Jaxson Calvert, 10, OL/DL
#62 Matthew Dunagan, 9, OL/DL
#63 Michael Roberts, 11, OL/DL
#64 Ethan Helms, 9, OL/DL
#65 Dathan Campbell, 10, OL/DL
#70 Gaige Roberson, 9, OL/DL
#71 Carson Moon, 11, OL/DL
#72 Aaron Jacobs, 9, OL/DL
#73 Conner Aldridge, 11, OL/DL
#74 Evan Brown, 10, OL/DL
#75 Kell Wilson, 10, OL/DL
#76 Deven Jenkins, 12, OL/DL
#77 Jaiden Philyaw, 12, OL/DL

## **SCHEDULE**

**Aug. 25** - Hamilton 7:00 (A)

**Sept. 1** - Wilson 7:00 (H)

**Sept. 8** - Hayden 7:00 (H)

Sept. 15 - Springville 7:00 (A)

**Sept. 22** - Corner 7:00 (H)

**Sept. 29** - Bye

**Oct. 6** - Fairview 7:00 (A)

Oct. 13 - Mortimer Jordan 7:00 (HC)

Oct. 20 - Good Hope 7:00 (A)

**Oct. 27** - Curry 7:00 (A)

**Nov. 3** - Lawrence County 7:00 (H)

CHEERLEADERS: Madison Ballard-captain, Kaitlyn Speegle-captain, Skarlet West- captain, CarrieAnn Douglas, Brianna Laney, Alyssa Adams, Madison Williams, Raven Gilliland, Goga Drowningbear, Jaclyn Albright, Ailysa Barnett, Bailey Baggett, Lauren Garrett, Kaitlyn Haynes, Lyssi Nuss, Hayden Chandler and Alyssa Phillips COACHES: Don Farley – head, Phillip Miller, Michael Simmons, Preston Boyd, Christian Chappell, Paul Quattlebaum, Caiden Bagwell, Bryant Farley, Chris Moss and Tyler Hunt



# West Point Warriors

#### Farley and his Warriors looking to make history

t is an exciting time to be a West Point Warrior. Head coach Don Farley is heading into his fifth season at the helm and is looking to match some history at West Point. Farley is looking to lead his Warriors to their fourth straight winning season, a feat that has not been accomplished since former head coach Jerry Edmondson had four straight winning seasons from 1978 - 1981. Farley has also coached West Point to three straight playoff berths and is looking to match former head coach Ed Oaks this year with four.

To do that, his new tribe of Warriors is going to have some big shoes to fill. Returning for his junior year will be Hunter Persall, but Farley has the task of replacing a West Point backfield that held running backs Cameron Moore and Alex Hernandez who combined for 2,400 rushing yards in the 2016 campaign.

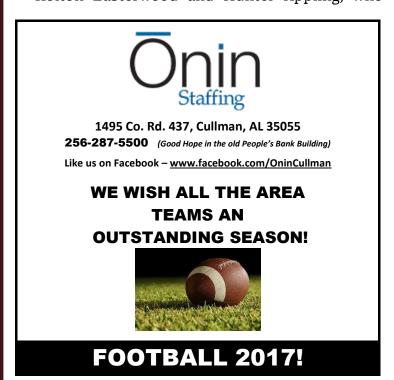
Kolton Easterwood and Hunter Appling, who

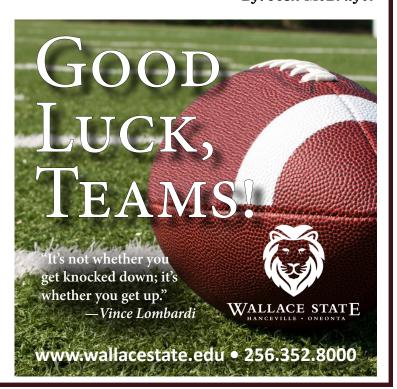
both also play strong safety, and Colton Easterwood who also take snaps under center, are returning as wideouts this year for the Warriors and will be tasked with replacing Brandon Farley, who hauled in 600 yards receiving over the span of last season. Other key returners for the Warriors include quarterback Rylan Jones, free safety Steven Rodriguez, tight end / defensive end Austin Smith, defensive tackle / guard Colby Jones, center / guard Devin Jenkins, linebacker Cameron Bates and guard Connor Aldridge.

"We had a lot of momentum coming out of the spring. It's been a lot of good work we have had during the summer. The kids have been committed," said Farley of the Warrior's spring workouts.

"They are starting to get that look in their eyes. We are ready to start football and see where the season takes us," he said of the upcoming season.

By: Josh McBrayer







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