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Silsbee Tigers lean on veteran front, power run game in 2025



Dylan Busby reporter@silsbee-bee.com *The Silsbee Bee*

The Silsbee High School Tigers come into the 2025 season

built to run over opponents. Anchored by four returning starters up front, the offensive line gives the Tigers a veteran foundation. The team's commitment to physical, downhill football is summed up by its motto: "Pound the Rock." Under head coach Randy Smith, Silsbee prides itself on running hard

behind a big line while playing a punishing brand of defense.

The key to Silsbee's offense is continuity in the trenches with multiple returning starters. Senior center Zackary Roberts leads the line with juniors Noah Marek and Hunter Smith at tackle, and guards Kaden Fasulo and Carter Horton will lead an experienced five-man line for the Tigers. Behind them, senior Jacaleb Johnson is moving from out on the perimeter at receiver to quarterback. Johnson, with his FBS-caliber athleticism, should provide a dynamic quarterback run option to the Tigers' offense.

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Skill positions will be closely watched as no receiver pulled ahead this summer names to watch include sophomore Wyatt Williamson and senior Ty'zavion Hafford "TZ" who if he remains healthy is a dyanmic athlete.

Defensively, Silsbee is lead by Kyle Walker, who enter his final year after starting sense a freshman. Walker may be the best player on this years team and is a large reason, both metaphorically and literally Coach Smith expects to get plenty of pressure with minimal blitzing.

The Tigers have incredible depth at linebacker headlined by sure tackler Matsyn Morris but the group runs deep with returning starter senior Kyler Smith and rotational seniors Levin Powell and Kevan Eaglin. Be on the look out for Jaden Hicks and Haegyn Morris both sophomores and could offer a peak at the future of Tigers football. This front seven is built to swarm ball carriers.

On the back end, Jonathan Cartwright and Cedrick Jones will play the boundary while TZ and Julian Brown will play safety. A senior laden secondary should lead to cohesion for a unit where communication and unity is key.

Going into the season, Silsbee's strengths are clear. A veteran offensive line and power-running scheme promise steady possession and clock control. The linebackers' depth and the aggressive front four suggest a defense that will swarm and pressure opponents' quarterbacks. The Tigers' motto sets the tone: this team expects to wear opponents down and control games with brute force. If the lessons of spring ball and summer conditioning hold, Silsbee will be one of the toughest, most physical teams in Class 4A. Fans should expect a bruising brand of football all season long, with the Tigers leaning on experience at the line and relentless attack from the linebackers to drive their success.

With a veteran front and a roster built for impact, Silsbee is poised to carry its momentum from last year's run deep into 2025. The Tigers' season could very well come down to how consistently they live up to that "Pound the Rock" pledge — and how many times their opponents can stand up to the onslaught.







2025 Varsity Silsbee Tiger Roster

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0	Ty'zavion Hafford	WR/DB	12
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	Julian Brown	RB/DB	
2	Kevan Eaglin	FB/LB	12
3	Johnathan Cartwright	WR/DB	12
4	Cedrick Jones	WR/DB	12
5	Jacaleb Johnson	QB/DB	12
6			
0	R.J. Williams	WR/DB	11
7	Braylen Johnson	RB/DB	11
8	Haegyn Morris	RB/LB	10
10	Wyatt Williamson	WR/DB	10
11	Levin Powell	LB/FB	12
13		MD/DD	
	Kerion Robinson	WR/DB	10
14	Jeysten Jackson	TE/DL	11
15	Brendon Hughes	QB/DB	11
16	Aiven Paine	WR/DB	12
17	Jackson Perdue	WR/LB	12
18	Corde' Wilson	RB/DB	10
		ID/TE	
19	Kyler Smith	LB/TE	12
20	Matsyn Morris	RB/LB	12
21	Peyton Sells	WR/DB	10
22	Hudsyn Morris	WR/LB	10
23	Carter Howard	RB/LB	10
24	Tre'Kwon Tyler	WR/DB	12
25	Jaden Hicks	FB/LB	10
26	Jeremiah Read	K/P	10
27	Chi Darius Davis	FB/LB	11
28	Hunter Hollyfield	FB/LB	11
29	Luis Gutierrez	K/P	11
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33	Peyton Grisham	TE/DL	11
34	Mason Cravy	FB/LB	12
36	Layton Meguess	WR/DB	11
50	Kyle Walker	OL/DL	12
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	Rhett Harkey	OL/DL	12
55	Landen Lee	OL/DL	12
56	Noah Marek	OL/DL	11
58	Kaden Fasulo	OL/DL	11
60	Draylin Mitchell	OL/DL	11
62	Blake Whittle	OL/DL	12
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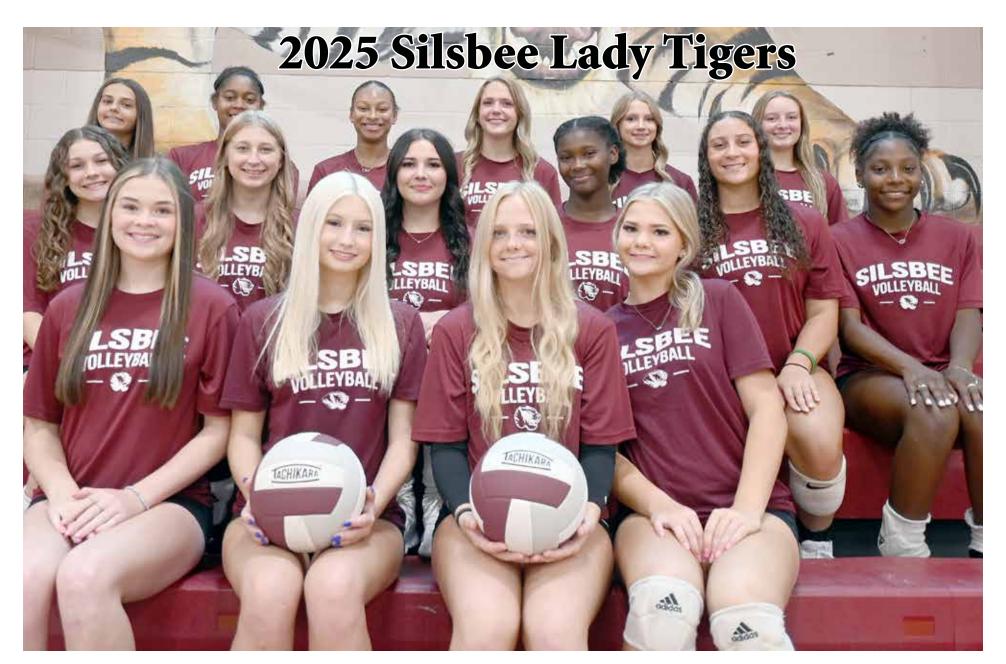
2025 Varsity Silsbee Lady Tiger Roster

1	Ryann Norsworthy	9	Brooke Miller
2	Kimora Fisher	10	Kenley Creel
3	Grace Rulon	11	Alley Jade Cravey
4	Riley Harrison	12	Kate Barnes
5	Romi Calhoun	13	Maddie Hill
6	Ava Jordan	14	Avery Fountaine
7	Addi Durant	15	Zadayah Washington
8	Madelynn Willis		-

Head Coach Carlyn Nichols **Assistant Coach** Bailey Cravey







Tight-knit team fuels Silsbee volleyball's season outlook

Dylan Busby

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Carlyn Nichols will lead the Silsbee High School volleyball team into the upcoming season with an eye on growth and steadier play after mixed results in recent years. The Tigers return a core of players from the roster posted by the program and will open a schedule that includes non-district tests and important district matches that should serve as early markers for how far the team can go this fall.

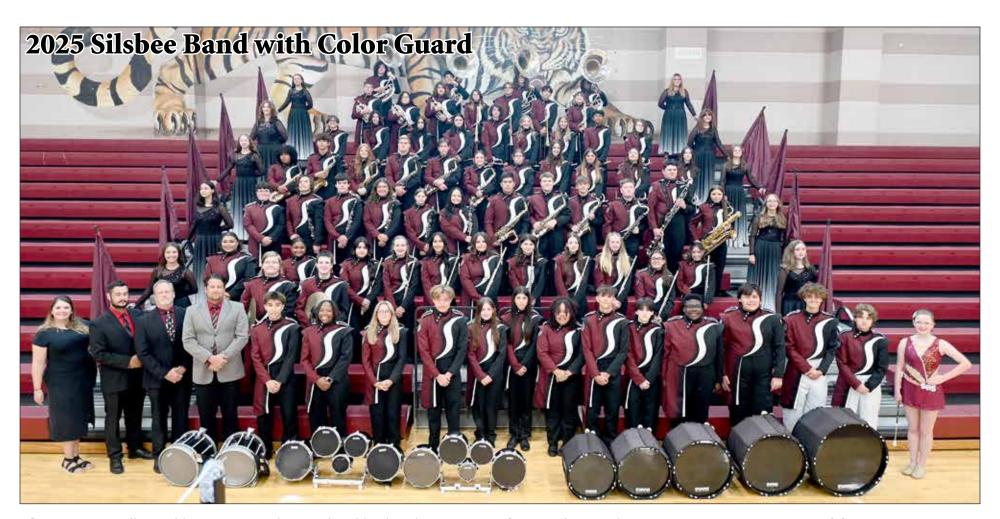
"I'm expecting us to make a run this year, second or third if we don't get first. I'm expecting us to end much higher up." said **Nichols**

The Tigers finished the 2024-25 campaign with a 10-22 overall record and a 3-6 mark in district play, good for fourth place in their district. This year the expectation is to win a lot more games with great leadership from Kate Barnes who has been on the court for the Tigers since her freshman year. Madelynn Morrris returns from injury and fellow seniors Riley Harrison Kenley Creel round out

a veteran core that have helped build this program with Coach Nichols who came to Silsbee their freshman year.

In early tournament play underclassmen Ryann Norsworthy, Addi Durant and Ava Jordan have shined. The Lady Tigers went 7-1 in the Silsbee Gold Bracket tournament competing against schools from all over Southeast Texas falling only to Kountze in the tournament final.

"This town has a lot of athletic tradition and I'm just really proud to be a part of it" said Nichols.



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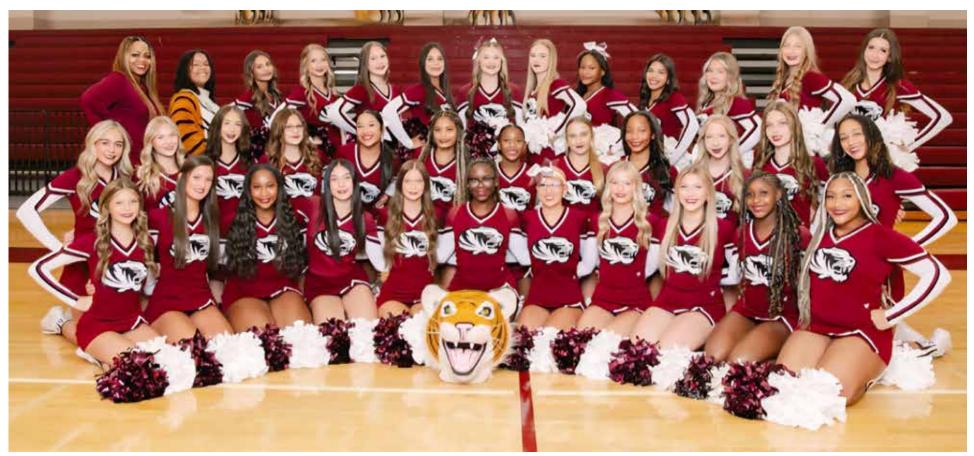
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From sidelines to showcases, Silsbee Cheerleaders poised for 2025

Dylan Busby Reporter@silsbee-bee.com *The Silsbee Bee*

Silsbee High School's cheer team is poised to turn heads this season with a blend of experience, fresh energy and renewed focus on technique and team unity. After a summer of conditioning and choreography, the squad heads into fall ready to support football nights and defend its standings at district competitions.

"These girls want to go to the national competetion in Dallas this year" said cheer coach Tiffany Limbrick

The roster mixes returning veterans familiar with the program's traditions and several newcomers who have strengthened the team's depth. Practices this preseason have emphasized fundamentals, stunt safety and endurance, with conditioning sessions

aimed at reducing injuries and improving consistency across routines. Coaches have introduced updated choreography that highlights speed and sharp transitions while keeping crowd-pleasing elements at the center of game-day performances.

Beyond competition, the program is pushing to expand its community presence. The squad has scheduled outreach events and pep rallies to boost school spirit, increase attendance at home games and raise funds for travel to championships. Fundraising plans include local partnerships, concession shifts and a community showcase later this fall.

"We teach you are a cheer leader that mean's being a leader first both in the classroom and out in the community." said Limbrick

Tryouts are scheduled early in the season to finalize lineups ahead of

regional meets, giving athletes time to refine synchronization and timing. The coaching staff is prioritizing leadership development among captains and building an inclusive culture that encourages mentorship between older and younger athletes.

Expect a competition schedule that balances local invitationals with key district events, offering opportuni-

ties for the team to test new routines under pressure. Fans should look for a mix of traditional sideline cheers and high-energy halftime performances that reflect both the squad's athletic skill and commitment to school pride.

As the season unfolds, the Silsbee cheer team aims to showcase the kind of polished, spirited performances that rally fans and players alike.







Tigerettes tight bond shapes season outlook

Dylan Busby reporter@silsbee-bee.com The Silsbee Bee

The Silsbee High School Tigerettes open their season with a focus on precision, perseverance and a team-first mentality that coaches say has grown stronger during the offseason.

The squad, built on a foundation of disciplined rehearsals and shared responsibility, will carry its collaborative approach into public performances and regional competitions. Senior leaders and returning veterans set a standard in rehearsal, and younger members have responded by embracing demanding practice schedules and learning core techniques quickly. The result is a group that moves with uncommon synchronicity for its experience level.

Practice routines emphasize fundamentals and stamina, with multiple sessions dedicated to timing, formations and transitions. Coaches have introduced cross-training elements to improve endurance and

prevent injuries, and choreographic sessions are designed to build trust through partner work and smallgroup drills. Team-building activities off the floor are a regular part of the schedule, and staff credit those sessions with accelerating cohesion.

Judges and audiences often look for consistency and confidence, and the Tigerettes have prioritized both in early-season rehearsals.

Looking ahead, the Tigerettes aim to refine competitive routines and expand their repertoire while maintaining a team culture that places mutual support above individual spotlight. Coaches plan to measure success by improvement and unity rather than scoreboard finishes alone.

"We are moving towards a winning aspect but at the end of the day they are becoming a family and that's really important to me."said Tigerettes coach Macie Moore.

If early preparation is any indication, the Tigerettes will enter the season as a cohesive unit ready to respond under pressure and represent Silsbee with polished performances.



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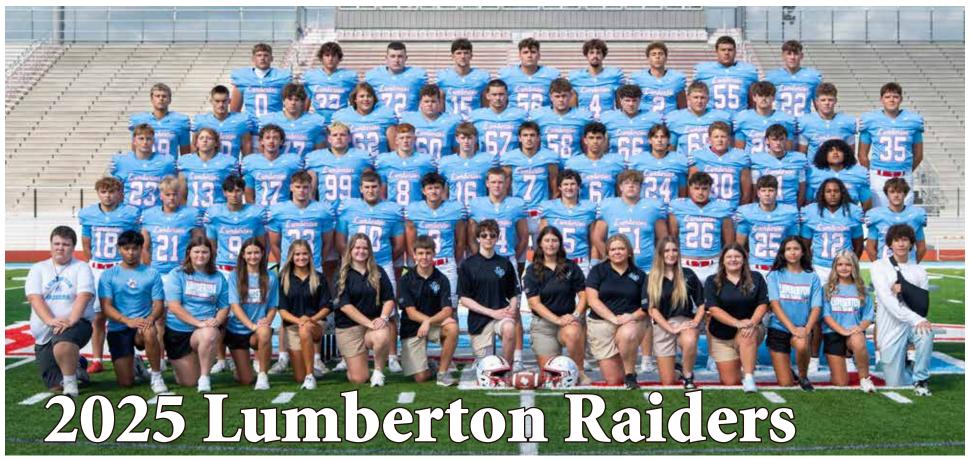
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Lumberton coach McDonald emphasizes growth in second year



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LUMBERTON Lumberton's 2024 season was derailed

by an early quarterback injury and the loss of several veteran defenders, and the Raiders are hoping for a fresh start under hometown coach Chase McDonald, McDonald, a Lumberton native in his second year as head coach, emphasizes growth and development after junior signal-caller Nolan Mitchell broke his collarbone in the season opener and missed six weeks of 2024.

"He's from Lumberton and that's a big deal" an former Southeast Texas coach said of McDonald "He's gonna be there to build something that could be really special."

The Raiders also lost key defensive leaders, with senior linebacker Julius White and ATH Tyler Breeden among last year's standouts who have graduated . With those veterans gone, McDonald says this year is about rebuilding experience and depth.

Offensively, Lumberton returns a solid core of play makers. Junior quarterback Nolan Mitchell, the 2024 District 10-4A Division I newcomer of the year before his injury, is back at the helm. The backfield is led by senior running back Chase Williams, who is going into his fourth and final year as a varisty Raider ball carrier. The offensive line returns four starters which will be key in keeping Mitchell upright and healthy along with opening running lanes for Williams. The line is lead senior Khale Martin who is committed to Trinity University. "He's really

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the anchor of our offensive line" said Coach McDonald.

The defense, meanwhile, has retooled after losing last season's senior contributors. With last year's seniors gone, younger players have the chance to step up. Returning leaders Gage Grimmer in the secondary and Alex Gilmore up front will help set the example for many Lumberton defenses to come. Senior linebacker Luke Burkhalter impressed coaches this summer and could have the chance for an explosive final year in columbia blue. "He really has a good feel for what we're trying to get him to do." said McDonald.

McDonald's hometown ties and experience in Lumberton's program are central to the team's culture. A former Lumberton player and longtime assistant, McDonald is credited with maintaining continuity from the Raiders' 2023 district title team, even as many players graduated.

The coach has used the off-season to build a culture of steady improvement, reminding the team that development now will pay off later. In practice, emphasis is on fundamentals, conditioning and chemistry – the hallmarks of the program McDonald came through.

Lumberton will also face a stiff schedule in District 10-4A Division I. The 2025 district lineup includes traditional powers and playoff-caliber opponents, making every week a challenge.

Games against Bridge City, Vidor and Hardin-Jefferson loom large, as do out-of-district matchups that always test the roster. The goal this season, is growth: if the team improves a little each week, bigger goals - contention and playoff berths - could be within reach.

All signs point to a Lumberton team determined to work harder and get better. With a core of returning leaders on both sides of the ball and a second-year coach who knows the community, the Raiders project to be competitive if not yet among the favorites. The emphasis on player development and overcoming last year's setbacks sets the tone. If the younger players seizing expanded roles respond to McDonald's call for growth, Lumberton could see a stronger finish to the season than last year. For now, the Raiders and their new-look lineup will focus on preparation, bonding under their coach and aiming for improvement in every aspect of the game.





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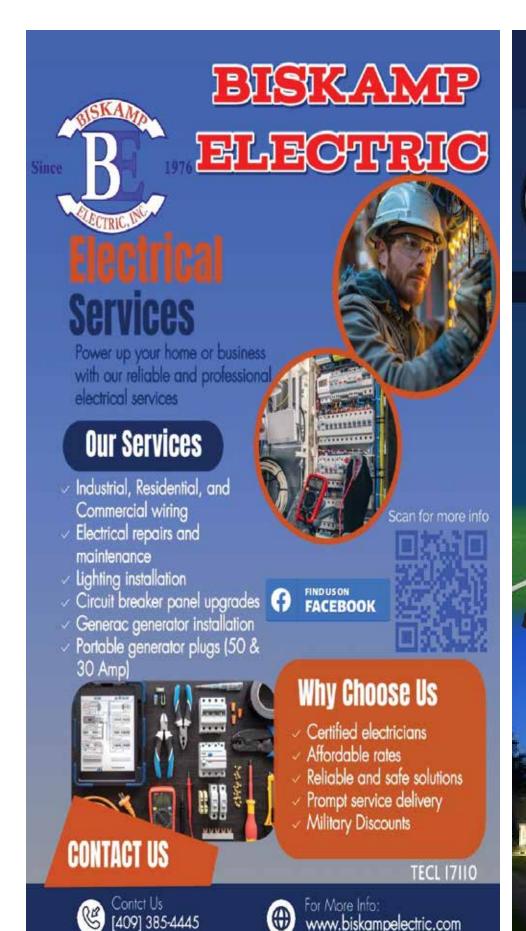
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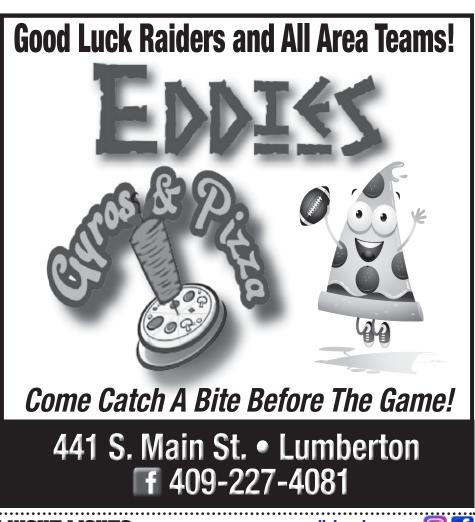
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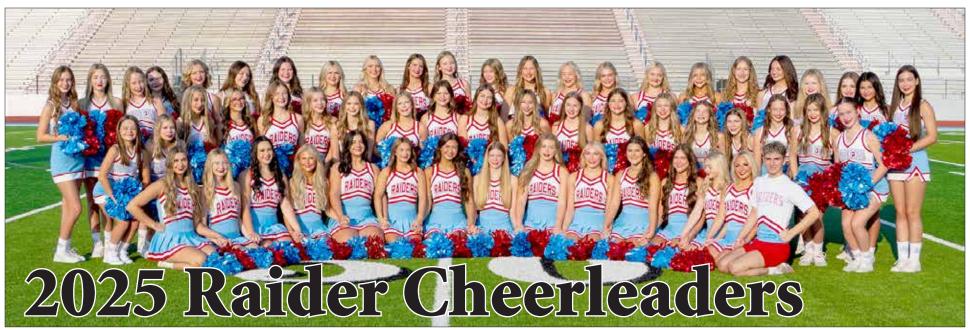
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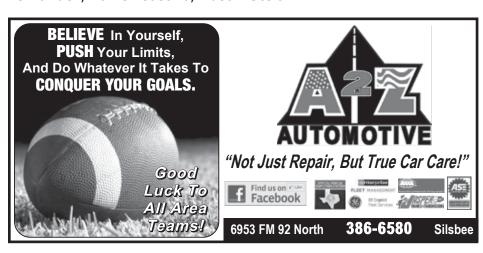






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1	Carson Hendon	WR / DB SR	23	Kaden Grass	TE / LB JR
2	Nolan Mitchell	QB JR	24	Anthony Farmer	TE / LB SR
3	Carson Spears	WR / DB SR	25	Garrett Harmse	TE / LB JR
4	Kale Carr	WR / DB SR	26	Chase Williams	RB / DB SR
5	Madden Dean	WR / DB JR	28	Jacob Youngblood	TE / LB SR
6	Anthony Pallis	RB / LB SR	30	Mason Cline	TE / LB SR
7	Will Wright	QB / DB SR	32	Kaden McCown	WR / DB JR
8	Tyler White	WR / DB SR	33	Nick Broom	TE / LB SR
9	Colton Williams	WR / DB SR	34	Josiah Zuniga	RB / DL JR
10	Gage Grimmer	WR / DB SR	35	Graham Jenkins	TE / LB JR
11	Evan Jenkins	WR / DB JR	40	Peyton Jones	TE / DL SR
12	Nic Cratic	RB / LB JR	44	Isaiah Liles	OL/DL SR
13	Spencer Bendy	RB / LB JR	45	Jeremiah Kittrell	OL/DL SR
14	Isaiah Sellers	WR / DB JR	50	Alex Gilmore	OL/DL SR
15	Casey Fuselier	WR / DB SR	51	Kolton Morales	OL / DL JR
16	Eli White	WR / DB SR	52	Khale Martin	OL/DL SR
17	Ryan Ferrell	RB / LB SR	55	Wyatt Milican	OL / DL JR
18	Landan Crites	WR / DB JR	58	Justin Marchuk	OL/DL SR
19	Luke Cody	K JR	60	Braxton Kiamar	OL / DL JR
20	Reece Davis	WR / DB JR	62	Easton Lang	OL/DL SR
21	Joey Sellers	RB / DB SR	66	Isiah Liles	OL/DL SR

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Senior-Heavy Kountze Lions Look to Break Through



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The Kountze Lions enter the 2025 season with experience, depth and a strong senior class, raising expectations for a playoff push in Class 3A Division II.

Kountze finished 5-5 overall and 2-4 in district play last fall, but the record only tells part of the story. The Lions surged to a 5-1 start behind a high-powered offense before injuries derailed their season. The turning point came in their rivalry matchup against

Warren, when senior quarterback Camden Johnson went down with an injury that sidelined him for the remainder of the year. Without their leader under center, the Lions struggled to recapture the explosive play that defined the first half of their campaign.

That early-season success, however, showed what this group is capable of when healthy. The Lions averaged more than 40 points per game during that stretch and proved they could compete with anyone in the district. With Johnson back at full strength and a roster loaded with seniors, Kountze enters 2025 determined to finish what it started a year ago.

The program is anchored by its senior leadership. More than a dozen seniors return across all phases, giving head coach Todd

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Paine and his staff a roster that has grown together over multiple seasons. This level of experience is unusual at the 3A level and positions Kountze to compete with district powers that traditionally dominate the standings.

Johnson, who has received an offer from McNeese, leads the offense as a dual-threat playmaker. His ability to run and pass makes him the centerpiece of the Lions' spread system, which emphasizes designed quarterback runs, zone-read plays and RPO concepts. Johnson's athleticism creates mismatches, while his presence allows the Lions to control tempo and wear down defenses.

On defense, senior safety Kade Bumstead provides leadership and versatility. Bumstead, who holds an offer from Howard Payne, is healthy after injuries limited him last season. His range and instincts make him a reliable last line of defense, while his presence in the secondary raises the level of play around him.

The defensive line and linebacker corps are also bolstered by senior contributors, Their ability to control the trenches will be critical in a district known for physical rushing attacks.

District 12-3A-II presents challenges, but Kountze's experience makes it a legitimate contender.

Newton and Woodville remain perennial powers, while Anderson-Shiro and New Waverly have established themselves as playoff-caliber programs. For the Lions, a healthy roster gives them the chance to contend with these teams rather than simply chase them.

Kountze's 2025 schedule begins Aug. 29 with a rivalry game at Hemphill, followed by road trips to West Hardin and Huntington before a home contest with Buna. District play opens Oct. 3 at Trinity, with Warren visiting on Oct. 10 in what will again be a pivotal rivalry game. Other key dates include an Oct. 17 home clash with Newton, an Oct. 31 trip to New Waverly, and a Nov. 7 home finale against Woodville that could carry playoff

implications.

The key to the Lions' season will be maintaining the health and consistency that eluded them last year. The 5-1 start in 2024 showed their potential, but the loss of Johnson underscored how vital he is to their success. With more depth across the roster, Kountze is better prepared to handle adversity, but keeping their senior quarterback and safety on the field remains paramount.

The Lions aim to not only reach the playoffs but compete for a district title. The combination of experience, talent and motivation provides their best chance in years to break through. Fans in Kountze saw glimpses of what this team could be last fall, and 2025 presents the opportunity to finish the job.



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4	Slade Belvin	So.	DE, TE
8	Kade Bumstead	Sr.	QB, FS
9	Camden Johnson	n	Sr. QB,
10	Draylen Coffey	Jr.	RB, WR
11	Trace Jordan	Sr.	WR, OLB
12	Nathan Barker	Sr.	WR, MLB
14	Monroe Johnson	Jr.	DE, TE
18	Johnathan Cole	Jr.	RB, CB
18	Kash Peters	So.	OLB, WR
21	Kase Peters	So.	SS, CB
22	Braydon Conner	Jr.	WR, OLB
56	Joseph Arriaga	Jr.	DE, G
63	Jaxon Moore	So.	G, DE
70	Carson Martin	Jr.	T, DT
72	Jarron Pitts	So.	T, DT
74	Mason Brothers	Sr.	C, DT
75	Gael Alvarez	Jr.	T, DT
76	Coday Harris	Jr.	G, DT

Todd Paine - Head Coach Chris McFarlane - Assistant Coach Duane Joubert - Assistant Coach Kyler Bumstead - Assistant Coach Nathan Byerly - Assistant Coach







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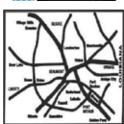
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严	*VS HUFFMAN HAWK STADIUM, SOUR LAKE	OCT 17
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4	*AT LIBERTY MEMORIAL STADIUM, LIBERTY	NOV 7

Hardin-Jefferson Hawks look to fly to new heights



Dylan Busby reporter@silsbee-bee.com *The Silsbee Bee*

SOUR LAKE – The Hardin-Jefferson Hawks arrive at the

2025 football season with a renewed sense of purpose after showing real progress last year. In 2024 the Hawks finished 3-7 overall, a big step forward from the 0-10 campaign of 2023. Local sports coverage noted that Hardin-Jefferson's offense was finding its rhythm late in 2024, putting up points consistently — a good sign moving forward that gives fans confidence improvement is on the way.

Last season's three wins included a 35-12 victory at Buna and a 33-24 win over Livingston. Those victories provided a glimpse of

the team's potential, proving that the Hawks can compete and score when the offense clicks. The schedule for 2025 is set, and it again features tough district foes such as Little Cypress-Mauriceville, Bridge City, Lumberton and Vidor. Hardin-Jefferson will again compete in District 10–4A Division I, where the team hopes to capitalize on last year's momentum and contend for a playoff berth.

Junior **D'Corian Warren** is the Hawks feature likely seeing time on both sides of the ball and has the ability to generate explosive plays on both offense and defense.

Strategically, the Hawks will build on the positives from last fall. Coaches have emphasized refinement and consistency in all phases. The offense, which flashed scoring potential against Buna and Livingston, will

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work on sharpening the passing and running games behind its veteran line. On defense, the focus is on improving tackling and pressure schemes to force turnovers. Athletic Director and Head Coach Zach Bass, entering his first season as head coach, brings a fresh approach

HJ Football 2025 Roster

- 0. Blake Walker LB Junior
- 1. D'Corian Warren WR/DB Junior
- 2. Drayton Tunley RB Junior
- 3. Davion Levine LB Senior
- 4. Gavin Rubio WR/DB Junior
- 5. Quinston Heim DB Senior
- 6. Jeyveon Johnson DB Senior
- 8. Ty Pearce TE/DL Senior
- 9. Jhavon Williams WR Senior
- 10. J'Roy Simon RB Senior
- 11. Elijah Simon WR Senior
- 12. Ryan Samoff QB Senior
- 13. Judah Wheaton WR Senior
- **14.** Jace Malbrough LB Senior
- 15. Kade Thibodeaux DB Junior
- 17. Brendyn Lee QB/DB Junior
- 18. Christian Williams DB Senior
- 19. Austin Luce OB Junior 20. Roger Magallan - DB - Senior
- 21. Aeron Pinkson LB Sophomore
- 22. Ethan East WR/DB Junior
- 23. Eric Pitre RB Sophomore
- **24.** Jake Dickerson RB/LB Junior
- 25. Tatum Brasseaux RB/LB Senior
- **26.** Logan Wolfe WR Senior
- 27. Cade McIntosh K Senior
- 28. Brock Slocum LB Junior
- 32. Camden Britton TE/DL Senior
- **33.** Gavin Haygood RB/LB Junior
- 34. Gauge Musick TE Junior
- **40.** Taylon Dodis TE Sophomore
- 42. Barrett Groves DL Junior
- 44. Xavion Hall DL Senior
- **48.** Christian Berotte LB Junior

and a long-term vision. Under his direction, the Hawks are installing schemes designed to fit the players' strengths and create a tougher, more balanced team.

Community excitement is already building. Hardin-Jefferson High School and the Sour Lake commu-

- **50.** Henry Tran OL Senior
- **53.** Hayden Henry OL Senior
- **55.** Ethan Ray DL Junior
- 56. Bryson Noble OL Senior
- 57. Mason Soileau DL Junior
- 58. Brodee Adams OL Senior
- 63. Christian Chatlin OL Junior
- 64. Jackson Lindow OL Junior
- 70. Denson Revia OL Junior
- 72. Xane Reeves OL Junior
- **76.** Wyatt Nugent OL Junior
- 77. Jeremiah Kneeland DL Junior
- 78. Nicholas Davis OL Senior
- 79. Ricardo Rodriguez DL Senior
- 80. Rene Villareal WR Senior
- 81. Brandon Morris DB Senior
- 82. AJ Hebert TE/DL Senior
- 87. Caden Salinas LB Senior
- 88. Kain Tinney TE Senior

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nity look forward to Friday nights a. The early-season matchup at home opens the season, giving local fans a chance to cheer on the team's seniors and rising stars. Homecoming and district games should draw big crowds, and the players have been preparing all summer for the expectations.

Coming off last year's improvement, the Hawks' goal is clear:

compete for the district's upper tier and return to the postseason for the first time in years. With experienced seniors at key positions, promising juniors pushing hard, and new energy from the coaching staff, Hardin-Jefferson looks to make the 2025 season one to remember. If the trend from last fall continues, the Hawks may well give their fans plenty of reasons to believe.









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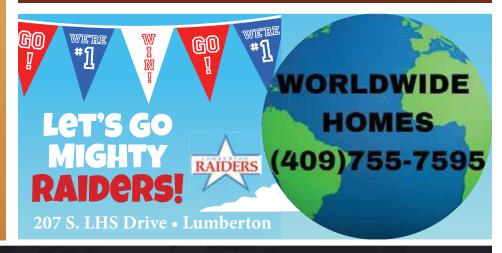
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Aug 29 **Nederland** Sept 5 @ West Brook Sept 12 Jasper Sept 19 **Open Week** @ Bridge City **Sept 26*** Oct 3* Huffman Oct 10* @ Liberty Oct 17* @ Vidor Oct 24* Hardin-Jefferson Oct 31* @ Livingston Nov 7* **Cypress-Mauriceville**

Hardin Jefferson Hawks District 9-AAAA Division II

Aug 29 Kellv Sept 5 @ East Chambers Sept 12 Buna **Sept 26*** @ Livingston Oct 3* **Cypress-Mauriceville** Oct 10* @ Bridge City Oct 17* **Huffman** Oct 24* @ Lumberton Oct 31* **Vidor** Nov 6* @ Liberty



Kountze Lions District 12-AAA Division II

Aug 29 @ Hemphill Sept 5 @ West Hardin **Sept 12** @ Huntington Sept 19 Buna Oct 3* @ Trinity Oct 10* Warren Oct 17* @ Newton Oct 24* **Anderson-Shiro** Oct 31* @ New Waverly Nov 7* Woodville

Evadale Rebels District 12-AA Division II

Aug 28 @ Huntington Sept 5 **Frassati Catholic** Sept 12 **Open Week** Sept 19 Cushina Sept 26@ Acadiana Christian (LA) Oct 3* @ West Hardin Oct 10* **Sabine Pass** Oct 17 @ Deweyville Oct 24* **West Sabine** Oct 31* @ Colmesneil **Nov 7* Hull-Daisetta**

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