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Welcome to Blackman High School, the home of the Blaze!

This year we are celebrating a special milestone – the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Blackman High School. For the past two and a half decades, it has been our privilege to partner with students, families, faculty, and staff to build a school worthy of this great community. We are incredibly proud of the rich traditions that have developed, and we have big dreams for the years ahead.

We appreciate your partnership by demonstrating true Blackman Pride in how you support our students and coaches, as well as how you welcome officials, visiting teams, and visiting fans.

The Blackman Athletic Mission and Beliefs states:

***Mission***

*We will consistently cultivate high character and highly competitive student athletes.*

***Values***

*We seek to do what is best for the student-athlete in every decision.*

*We take pride in the presentation of our teams and facilities.*

*We engage our community through caring service.*

*We honor our alumni for excellence, both past and present.*

*We preserve tradition while pursuing innovations that promote success and safety.*

*We all benefit from the success(es) of others in academics and in sports.*

*We believe that students can outperform expectations in the classroom and on the field/floor with hard work, desire, and strong coaching/teaching.*

***We Are Blackman***

Thank you for joining us!  
Blackman High School Administrators



# THE HISTORY OF BLACKMAN

## HOW THE SMITH FAMILY HELPED CREATE BLACKMAN'S LEGACY

The land Blackman schools were built on boasts hometown roots, which helps to make it a home for the Blackman community today. The Blackman community has evolved from farmland to developed school buildings and housing, catering to students and their families.

The farmland where the Blackman schools are now located was previously owned by seven generations of the Smith family. Choosing to sell to Rutherford County Schools was a major decision for Smith's family, but they are grateful for the outcome.

Clarissa Smith, a member of the Smith family, still has ties with Blackman today. Her late husband Bart Smith worked as a Murfreesboro police officer and a school bus contractor for Rutherford County Schools.

"Mr. Bill Smith, Bart's dad, and his Aunt Ernestine sold 210 acres to Rutherford County Schools to build the Blackman Schools' complex, so that's where it originated," stated Clarissa Smith, local realtor, sponsor of The Blackman Voice, and owner of Smith Bus Service, LLC.

Blackman High School was established in 2000 to complement its predecessor schools, Riverdale and Oakland Highs. Blackman Elementary and Middle schools, as well as the surrounding apartment complexes, subdivisions, and shopping areas, including The Avenue, have all been added over the years as the area continues to be developed.

In 2019, Blackman High School unveiled the new turf football field. The field was dedicated and named after Bart Smith.

"The first football game when Blackman opened, he looked at me after the national anthem, and he said I would have never thought that all of this would be built, [that] we would be standing here for the national anthem getting ready to watch the first football game where we once farmed cotton," stated Smith.

Clarissa Smith is also a realtor who is more of a "matchmaker." She utilizes her knowledge of the local market and her love of people to make the perfect match between home and heart.

"I love helping people find their dream home and making a house a home," said Smith.

Although Smith services Tennessee with a specific focus to Middle Tennessee, her specialty is the Blackman community. Her connection with this community remains strong.

Smith continues to run her late husband's bus business. 80% of her buses have serviced Blackman High School, and many students have gotten to know the Smith family over the years from riding their buses.

Smith is the sole spokesperson for their legacy. The Smith legacy carried over into the Blackman community, uniting two stories into one.



Clarissa Smith standing in front of the original Springfield home that was built in 1804, and was later renovated as a gathering place for the Springfield apartment residents. *Photo courtesy of Jason Cross*



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# 2024 COACHING STAFF



## | MATT KRIESKY

HEAD COACH

Coach Kriesky enters his 2nd year as the head coach at Blackman High School. Originally from Paris, TN, Coach Kriesky earned his bachelor's degree from MTSU. He coached at Oakland, Forrest and Centennial prior to returning to Blackman to become the head coach. This is Coach Kriesky's 17th year of coaching. He is married to Brittany, and they have two children, a daughter Lynnlee, and a son, Griffin.



## | KEVIN MEADOWS

ASSISTANT COACH (QUARTERBACKS)

Coach Meadows enters his 19th season on the Blaze coaching staff as the varsity quarterbacks coach. He began his career as an assistant on varsity in 2004, moving up to Freshman Offensive Coordinator in 2005. From 2006-2008 he served as the varsity wide receiver coach and varsity running backs coach from 2009 to 2019. In 2020 he was the offensive coordinator and coached quarterbacks. He and his wife, Cortney, live in Murfreesboro, Tennessee with their two daughters Anna and Izzy.



## | KEVIN GREGORY

ASSISTANT COACH (DEFENSIVE LINE)

Coach Gregory enters his 17th season on the Blaze coaching staff as an assistant coach. A 1999 graduate of the University of Tennessee, Coach Gregory was a long snapper for the Vols under Phillip Fulmer. He was a member of the 1998 BCS National Championship team for the Volunteers and the 1997 and 1998 Southeastern Conference Championship teams. Coach Gregory has worked under six of the seven head coaches of Blackman Football since 2007. He is married to Courtney Gregory, Blackman's varsity cheerleading coach. The couple have one son, Carter (Freshman at UT-Knoxville), and a daughter, Caroline (9th grade at BHS).





# 2024 COACHING STAFF



## | KYLE ANDERTON

ASSISTANT COACH (OFFENSIVE LINE)

Coach Anderton enters his 5th year coaching high school football in Tennessee. He coaches the Offensive Line for the 2nd year at Blackman High School. He played college ball at Vanderbilt from 2015-2017 before transferring to Austin Peay for the 2017-2019. Coach Anderton recently married his wife Jenna in December 2023 and they are expecting a baby girl early January of 2025.



## | JOSH CUNNINGHAM

ASSISTANT COACH (WIDE RECEIVERS)

Coach Cunningham enters his 5th year of coaching and his 2nd at Blackman. Originally from the Murfreesboro area, Cunningham graduated from Oakland High School in 2015 before playing the next four years at Tennessee Tech. He earned his bachelor's degree from Tech, and is currently in the process of obtaining his teaching license from UT Martin. Prior to coaching at Blackman, Coach Cunningham coached defensive backs and wide receivers at Adamsville High School for 3 seasons.



## | JOHN CROSBY

ASSISTANT COACH (DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR / INSIDE LINEBACKERS)

Coach Crosby enters his 2nd season at Blackman High School after previous stops at Centennial, Stewarts Creek and Nashville Christian as a defensive coordinator and Clarksville Academy as a head coach. Crosby has spent the last 19 seasons coaching football, and this will be his 18th as a defensive coordinator. Coach Crosby has been married to his wife Shelly for 16 years, and has a son Henry who is 9 years old.



# 2024 COACHING STAFF



## | MALEK HOLMAN

ASSISTANT COACH (DEFENSIVE BACKS)

Coach Holman enters his 6th season coaching with this being his 2nd season at Blackman High School. Prior to coaching, Coach Holman attended Oakland High School and earned his B.S. degree from Bethel University and a Masters Degree from Middle Tennessee State University. Coach Holman played football at Bethel and earned two Academic All-Conference Awards.



## | BARRY EDDINGS

ASSISTANT COACH (TIGHT ENDS)

Coach Eddings was born in Arkansas but spent most of his young life in McEwen, TN where he graduated high school. He continued his education at Cumberland University in Lebanon, TN and played baseball for 4 years. After playing, he coached baseball at Cumberland University for 2 years. Coach Eddings has been coaching football for 22 years and baseball for 19 years. Coach Eddings is going into his 2nd year at Blackman High School. April 2024, Coach Eddings married his beautiful wife, Jennifer Eddings. Not only does he have a terrific wife, but he also has an awesome stepson, Jason Bennett and a wonderful dog, Jersey. With coaching and new family, he has truly been blessed.



## | JACKIE BARNES

ASSISTANT COACH (CORNERBACKS)

Coach Barnes is entering his 4th year at Blackman 2nd with Kriesky and the guys. Prior to Blackman Coach Barnes had stops at Ezell Harding and Lancaster Christian. Barnes is in his 8th year of coaching. He is married to Mrs. Brittany Barnes and they have four children together.





# 2024 COACHING STAFF



## | JAKERRIUS WYATT

ASSISTANT COACH (DEFENSIVE LINE)

Coach Wyatt is in his 2nd year coaching and first season as a high school coach. He has coached as an Assistant Defensive line coach at University of North Alabama and Middle Tennessee State University. As a player at MTSU played defensive line. Coach Wyatt received his Bachelor's Degree in Leisure and Sports Tourism.



## | TONY MOLINA

ASSISTANT COACH (FRESHMAN)

Coach Molina enters his 3rd season as a coach at Blackman High school as the Freshman Head Football Coach. Prior to coming to Blackman High School, he served as the offensive line coach for Blackman Middle School. He has spent 15 years coaching at the youth level in the Blackman community and at Middle Tennessee Christian School. In addition to his volunteering, his company, Tony Molina Homes, also generously donates to the BHS and BMS football programs and other school organizations. He resides in Murfreesboro with his wife Casey and four children: Ian, Isaiah, Allee, and Micah.



## | NICK CAROZZA

ASSISTANT COACH (FRESHMAN)

Coach Carozza enters his 1st year a coach at Blackman High School. Originally from California, Coach Carozza earned his bachelor's degree from UNR and a Master's degree from SMC. He previously coached the Blackman Middle School track team that won the state championship in 2024. He is married to Sydney, a Blackman High School counselor.



# 2024 COACHING STAFF



## | JONATHAN WYNN

ASSISTANT COACH (FRESHMAN)

As a first-year high school football coach, Coach Wynn brings a unique blend of experience from years of mentoring in local communities and working as a special education teacher, as well as serving as a mentor in his local church. He prides himself on guiding young people through life's complexities, helping them make important decisions, and developing their character. Passionate about sports, education, and mentorship, Coach Wynn is dedicated to helping players excel on the field, build strong character, and achieve their full potential. He is committed to fostering a supportive and hardworking team environment, inspiring players to strive for greatness together.

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# 2024 SCHEDULES


## I VARSITY SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
AUGUST 23	@ BRENTWOOD	7:00 PM
AUGUST 30	STEWARTS CREEK (FACULTY APPRECIATION) 	7:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 6	@ RAVENWOOD	7:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 13	SUMMIT 	7:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 20	OAKLAND (SALUTE TO SERVICE) 	7:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 27	@ SIEGEL	7:00 PM
OCTOBER 4	PURE ACADEMY (HOMECOMING) 	7:00 PM
OCTOBER 18	RIVERDALE 	7:00 PM
OCTOBER 25	ROCKVALE (SENIOR NIGHT) 	7:00 PM
OCTOBER 31	COFFEE CO (THURSDAY NIGHT)	7:00 PM

## I JUNIOR VARSITY SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
AUGUST 19	@ SMYRNA	6:00 PM
AUGUST 26	ROCKVALE 	6:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 2	@ RIVERDALE	6:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 9	SIEGEL 	6:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 16	@ STEWARTS CREEK	6:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 23	@ LAVERGNE	6:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 30	OAKLAND 	6:00 PM

## I FRESHMAN SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
AUGUST 19	SMYRNA 	6:00 PM
AUGUST 26	@ ROCKVALE	6:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 2	RIVERDALE 	6:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 9	@ SIEGEL	6:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 16	STEWARTS CREEK 	6:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 23	LAVERGNE 	6:00 PM
SEPTEMBER 30	@ OAKLAND	6:00 PM
OCTOBER 14	SEMI-FINALS	6:00 PM
OCTOBER 21	CHAMPIONSHIP	6:00 PM

 DENOTES HOME GAME



# 2024 VARSITY





# TY FOOTBALL



# 2024 VARSITY ROSTER

#	PLAYER	POS	GRADE
0	Jayden Guy	WR	12
1	Ethan Carson	LB	12
2	Trey McGaffee	DB	12
3	Daniel Smith	WR	10
4	Jaden Lark	DB	11
5	Mark James	WR	12
6	Tristan Thornton	DB	10
7	Jaden Maxwell	LB	12
8	Brylan Oduor	WR	10
9	Paul Lankford	LB	12
10	Marcus Cameron	QB	10
11	Rodney Irvin	LB	12
11	Peyton Huff	QB	11
12	Grant Gardner	RB	12
13	Jalen Anderson	DB	12
14	Jonathan Hamby	QB	11
14	Isaiah Boles	DB	10
15	Max Wilcox	TE	10
16	Jonah Brown	DB	12
17	Tony Walker	WR	12
18	Kari Dixon	WR	11
20	John Dragoo, Jr.	WR	12
20	Brayden Carter	DB	12
21	Jamison Watkins	DB	12
22	Jayden Gowin	LB	10
23	Tremel Johnson	DL	11
24	Jaiden Norton	RB	11
25	Trenten Tyler	DB	12
26	Jerison Daniel	LB	11
27	Emory Harris	DB	11
28	Jabari Kemp	RB	11
29	Felix Mitchell	DB	10
30	Brayden Smith	DB	10
31	Grayson Flowers	TE	11
32	Julius Malden	DL	10
33	Austin Moore	DB	12
34	Deacon Flowers	DL	11
35	Makari Abernathy	LB	11
36	Jude Garner	DB	10
37	RJ Mercado	DL	11
38	Austin Rich	DB	10
39	Jayden Lampe	LB	10
42	Noah Ellis	TE	10
44	Kaleb Gray	LB	11

#	PLAYER	POS	GRADE
45	Praise Olurode	LB	10
46	Dylan Fisher	LB	10
47	Billie Williams	WR	10
49	Jett Saengchanh	RB	10
49	Brady Wathen	LB	10
50	Isaac Leavy	DL	11
51	Owen Abbott	OL	12
54	Shepherd Flowers	OL	10
55	Kayden Adams	OL	10
56	Chris Barnett	OL	12
57	Allen Whitaker	OL	10
58	Ian Molina	OL	12
60	Nehemiah Blackwell	OL	11
63	James Kellogg	DL	10
64	Micah French	OL	12
65	James Stewart	DL	10
67	Brayden Edmondson	OL	11
71	Nate Shearon	OL	11
72	Hudson Lee	OL	11
73	Kennedy Jackson	OL	11
74	Koen Moore	DL	10
75	Donnell Eackles	DL	12
76	Austin Sloan	OL	10
77	Isaiah Molina	OL	12
78	Keeton Short	OL	12
79	Archie Roseman	DL	12
80	Tyler Borombozin	K	11
82	Dontae Coleman	WR	12
83	Ethan Najm	TE	11
84	Skyler Grove	TE	12
84	Lincoln Green	LB	10
85	Taylor Whitney	DB	11
85	Quintous Abron Cowart	DB	10
86	Noah Browder	WR	11
87	Ethan Brown	TE	10
89	Dom Ferreira	TE	11
89	Jake Greenhut	DB	10
90	James Hughes	DL	12
92	Caeden Veasey	DL	10
93	Blake Zirkle	DL	10
94	JP Chapleau	DL	10
96	Braxton Benally	K	10
97	Avery Benson	K	10





**JAYDEN GUY**  
WR



**ETHAN CARSON**  
LB



**TREY MCGAFFEE**  
DB



**DANIEL SMITH**  
WR



**JADEN LARK**  
DB



**MARK JAMES**  
WR



**TRISTAN THORNTON**  
DB



**JADEN MAXWELL**  
LB



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LB



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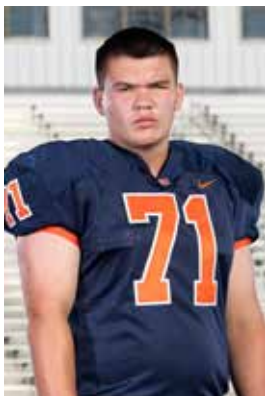
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This season will be filled with challenges, achievements, and unforgettable moments. Let's approach each game with passion and a willingness to learn and grow. Together, we can make this season one for the books!

I am incredibly proud to coach such talented individuals, and I can't wait to see how you will lead our team this year.

Let's make it a great season!

Love you guys,  
*Coach Kriesky*



Rodney,

We couldn't be more proud to watch you grow into the dynamic and fierce young man that you are today! You're a joy and a blessing to your parents, siblings, family, friends, teammates, and community, and you're just getting started! Keep pushing for greatness, and never forget who you are or Who's you are! We love you, Bubba!

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Rodney,

We are so unbelievably proud of the man that you have become. We wish you the best of luck on your senior campaign and we want you to know that our love for you & as well as our belief and pride in you extends far beyond the football field.

We love you, Nephew! Have a great season!

Love,

Uncle Kevin, Auntie Ayla,  
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Watching you boys grow up through the first chapter of your lives has been the greatest joy of my life. Each day, you continue to make me proud.

I wish you the very best in these next chapters... you deserve the best.







You are my greatest accomplishment. You are my heart and soul.

Love,  
Daddy



Isaac, we are so proud of you!!! How you start will be how you finish. Start Strong, Finish Strong!!!  
Go Get It!!!

Love, Momma and Dad







My one and only.....you have made me so happy of what you have accomplished. Your dad would be so proud. Despite any setbacks and challenges you did it! As I've said before, "you can show them better than you can tell them!" Finish strong and be great in college. Love, Mom.

Andrea, we are so proud of you! We love you and love that we are sharing your senior journey this year. Work hard, be a good leader, have fun, and be safe!

Love, Mom & Dad



Elijah,

We are so excited for you to begin your high school journey in the classroom and on the field! While these next four years will be fun, there will also be challenges for you to overcome. Be yourself, work hard, and keep God first.

Love,

Mon, Dad and your big brothers



Jonah,

We've watched you grow on the football field from youth league to high school and we're extremely proud of the young man and athlete you've become. Thank you for letting us tag along and be a part of the ride! We'll always be your biggest fans.

Love,

Mom, Dad, Hudson and Griffin







Jalen,

Our man child and the baby of the Anderson crew, words can't express how proud we are of you. You are an extraordinary young man and I know that you will continue to do wonderful things in this next chapter in your life. Continue to pray every day and keep GOD first in everything that you do! We love you and are blessed to have the honor of calling you our son! GO BE GREAT!!!

Love,

Mom & Dad







## JAYDEN GUY



As you reach the end of your senior year, remember that this is not an end, but the beginning of life's most extraordinary journey. Cherish all the memories, both good and challenging, for they are part of your journey and have shaped you into the remarkable person you are today. We couldn't be more proud of the man you've become.

You have learned countless life lessons on the football field since the age of 4 and as we celebrate your senior year, know that you are more than ready to receive life's challenges with the same passion and drive you showed as a wide receiver. Just as you ran precise routes and caught the many passes thrown your way, you're prepared to navigate life's obstacles and seize every opportunity. Thank you for the unforgettable moments of watching you play.

Take a moment to savor all your achievements; they are well-deserved. Enjoy your SENIOR season, embrace and make the most of every moment. Just as you've sprinted toward the end zone, continue to pursue your dreams with unwavering determination. Know that you carry our love with you always, and we have complete faith in your ability to achieve greatness and accomplish extraordinary goals.

Beyond the lights, you make us so proud. We eagerly anticipate the incredible path the Lord has in store for you. Keep running your routes, keep reaching for the stars, and remember that we are always cheering for you from the sidelines.

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Son,

I can't fully express how proud I am to witness the incredible young man you've become. I wish you could see just how much I cherish our little moments together. I am so proud of all that you've achieved and the challenges you've overcome. Always hold onto your five absolutes as you navigate life, and remember that I'm always here for you.

Love, Mom, Pops, Mya, & family!

"4-Sport 🐦"





We all are so very proud of you and all of your accomplishments, not only in cheer but in the classroom! You have overcome injuries and obstacles, always surpassing any timelines given. You have been given such precious gifts and most of all your loving and caring heart. Always put Jesus first and everything else will fall in place. We all love you so very much and cannot wait to see your light shine in your BIG future! Have a great Senior year!

Love,

Mama, Mark, Grace, Uncle Delton & Aunt Phyllis, Misty, Junior, Riggs, Karley & Shea, Brandy & Jeremy, Hayley, Joe, Cameron & Dalton, Nate, Ashlynn, James, Henry & Emilia, and Dyl & Klynn



I can't believe we are here already! We are so proud of you and the young man you've become. Can't wait to see what the Lord has in store for your life. Go be great and we will be cheering you on every step of the way.

Love you,

Mom, Dad and Kobe







Grant,

You've used this great sport to help prepare yourself for life's challenges. We know your years of preparation will show now more than ever. God will continue to bless you and allow success in whatever you put your heart into. It's been a joy to witness the man you're becoming.

We love you,  
Dad, Mom, & Cruz





Micah,

We are so proud of you. You have turned into a driven and disciplined young man. Your kindness and ferocity are the perfect balance. Your progress from your first year of football to now is impressive to see. We pray these characteristics carry you in your faith and whatever career you dream to achieve.

Love,

Dad, Mom, Graysen and Peyton







Trey, we have loved every minute of this amazing ride. We are so proud of you and can't wait to see you at the next level and what the future holds!!

Love you bunches,  
Dad, Mom, Lauren and Sydney Grace





Have a great senior year, Madi! We are so proud of you!

Love, Mom, Dad,  
Makayla and Maggie



We are so proud of you Jordyn and are so excited to watch you dance this year. We Love you! Let's make this the best year yet!

Love, Mom, Dad, Ciarrah, Amari, Miliani and Liam-Jax

We are so proud of the incredible young man you've become, overcoming every challenge that life has thrown your way. Keep God first and everything else will work out for you. We will always be here for you!

Love, Mom and Dad







We are so proud of you  
Chloe Alexandra! Keep  
reaching for those stars!

Love you to the moon  
and back- Mom and Dad



Samantha Brooke,

Senior year... how did we  
get here so fast! We are  
extremely proud of you. We  
have enjoyed watching you  
grow into such a beautiful  
young lady who is also smart,  
talented, and kind-hearted.  
Continue to stay true to who  
you are and what you stand  
for. We cannot wait to see  
where the next chapter in life  
takes you. The sky's the limit!  
Enjoy your senior year and  
make great memories!

We love you,  
Mom, Dad, Joshua,  
Austin, and Cameron





Skyler, as our family and friends have shown up year after year, supporting you through Taekwondo, Flag Football, Boy Scouts, and now the last season of your high school football career. We get to reflect on how proud we are of you! Many people don't see the countless hours of practice, training, and learning that has produced the young man you are today. Your heart, focus, drive, and determination will always be the reason you excel. We are so grateful to have you in our lives. We are all very proud and love you so much!

Dad, Mom, & Kenzie





Carrington,

We are so proud of you. Always believe in yourself, never give up, work hard, be kind to others, and share that beautiful smile.

Love,  
Daddy & Mommy



Rod,

Proud of the young man you are becoming and even more proud of the foundation you are laying for a brighter future! The sky is the limit and I can't wait to see what your senior year brings! Love you more than life itself,

Pops Sr.





Ethan,

Not sure there are words to truly articulate how proud we are of you on and off the football field. You continue to amaze us with your knowledge, impress us with your dedication and influence us with your compassion. From Blackman Youth League to Blackman Middle School, to now your senior year at Blackman High, your loyalty to the Blaze programs is unmatched. I'm thankful for the opportunity the Lord has given you to play the sport you love on a collegiate level, and you better believe we will be there cheering and supporting every step. Continue to keep the Lord first in all you do and walk in the path He has for you. Romans 8:31

Love you beyond,  
Mom and Dad





Demario Aka Elijah,

We have watched you grow into a young kind, respectful, loving, caring and responsible young man, we bless GOD for you. You are such an inspiration. You're always looking to try something new. You have done band, track and now football. Football looks good on you. We love you a lot Demario.

Remember you can do All things, yes All things through Christ who strengthens you. Philippians 4:13.





JJ,

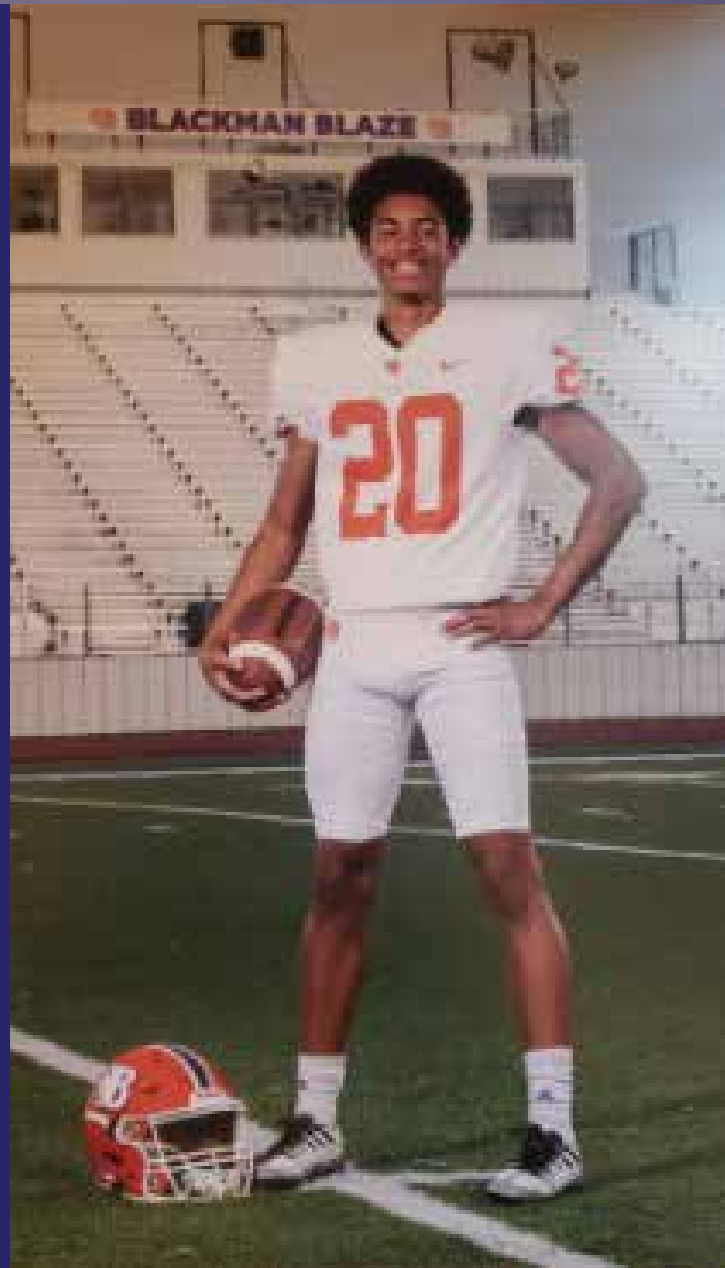
We blinked our eyes, and you went from being the little boy with a cute jersey and a football to a young man fueled by the game of football. You have grown up so fast and what an adventure it has been. We are so proud of you and the man we know you are becoming.

Thank you for the opportunity to celebrate with you, yell for you, clap for you, run the sideline as you run, and most of all.... the memories. We can't wait to see what life has in store for you.

We hope your dreams take you to the highest of your hopes, to the windows of your opportunities and to the most special places your heart has ever known.

Always remember: You are stronger than you seem, smarter than you think, more special than you will ever realize and loved more than you'll ever know.

Love your biggest fans,  
Mom and Dad





Congratulations Elizabeth! We are so proud of you. Enjoy your Senior Year.

Love,  
Mom and Jerry

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2	Micah Nance
4	Brycen Mitchell
5	Jeisun Thompson
6	Hudson Brown
8	Ja'Vonni Malone
9	Noah Snelling
10	Aaron Pitts
11	Iverson Woolfork
12	Elijah Cameron
13	Jaden Vawters
14	Elijah Chestnutt
15	Ezra Pitts
16	Alex Robinson
17	Damarcus Vanzant
18	Shawney Davis
21	Bradtarius Savage
22	Arthur Hoskins
23	DJ King
24	Javione Miller
25	Jordan Ferreira
26	Kayden Billups
28	Christopher Jones

#	PLAYER
30	Vernonance Dixon
33	Trevor Crawley
42	Rylee Harris
43	Terry Hester
44	Amaza Simmons
50	Amare Sanford
54	Elijah Ambrose
55	Arnav Seerum
58	Jackson Rice
74	Daniel Hernandez
75	Bryson Head
77	Makhi Rodriguez
78	Antonio Primm
80	Bryron Beachy
81	Caleb Huff
82	Jackson Oncale
83	Ayden Prince
85	Demario Campbell
86	Orlandon Givens
87	Derrick Dragoo
88	Joshua Stewart



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