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Welcome from NMAA Executive Director



Sally Marquez
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While watching the 2019 Women's U.S. Open earlier this school year, I witnessed an outstanding display of sportsmanship by 21-year-old Naomi Osaka, who hugged and consoled her 15-year-old opponent, Cori Gauff, after defeating her in the third round of the event. She hugged her and then went one step further by inviting her to do the post-match interview with her. I turned the channel after witnessing this emotional exchange between the two competitors only to watch story after story about countless individuals preparing to come to the aid of communities caught in the path of Hurricane Dorian.

In our own home state of New Mexico, I have seen signs in yards across our communities that read, "El Paso Strong" and have witnessed young kids throughout the state raising money for those struck by the tragedy that befell our neighbor to the South. It warms my heart to know that so many members of the New Mexico baseball community supported El Paso by volunteering their time and resources to facilitate a baseball clinic in the area. I have seen Boy Scouts and Girls Scouts of New Mexico performing various acts of community service. I recently pulled up to a stop light and saw a young adult handing a homeless person a bag full of toiletries and food. I saw a teenager mowing an elderly person's yard just because

it is the right thing to do. All of these beautiful acts of kindness occurred within a two-day period and those were only the ones I personally saw.

Every day, we witness humanity at its finest. Even though there are times when the negative headlines seem overwhelming, we still see displays of compassion and kindness all around us. We know there is so much goodness in our schools and our communities and we feel our faith restored when these acts hit close to home.

So, it makes me wonder - why do we allow "winning and losing" to become the focal point in athletics? Why does a "win at all costs" attitude seem so prevalent? Why do acts of poor sportsmanship sometimes overshadow all of the good that we know exists in interscholastic athletics? For every one bad event, we know there are hundreds, or even thousands, of great things going on with our student-athletes. Why can't we look past the scoreboard to see and remember the true meaning of sports?

Don't get me wrong. I am the most competitive person there is. Even at my "old" age, I refuse to lose. But, as we get older, we see that there are such bigger and more important things that we gain from competition and that we gain through participation in interscholastic activities. We realize that truly "winning" is not about the score. For educators, it is about teaching our students that they are playing a game and that, at the end of the day, the end result of learning the traits of responsibility, integrity, respect, teamwork, dedication, perseverance and commitment are far more important than a blue trophy.

The importance of interscholastic athletics is really about winning in the game of life. It is about producing citizens who are capable of being compassionate to those in need, who understand that life is bigger than a game and who truly know that true winners are those who care about others and who live a life of being trustworthy, honest and respectful.

There are so many daily lessons that are learned through participating in sports and activities and we see these lessons being lived out around us every day. It goes back to role models in professional sports. It goes back to volunteerism and kindness to communities suffering tragedies and disasters. It goes back to being service-oriented within our communities. It goes back to doing the right thing, even when no one is looking. In the words of football coach, Lou Holtz, "I follow three rules: Do the right thing, do the best you can, and always show people you care." This is the true recipe for being winners in the game of life.

We hope you have a great 2019-2020 school year.

Sally Marquez
Executive Director



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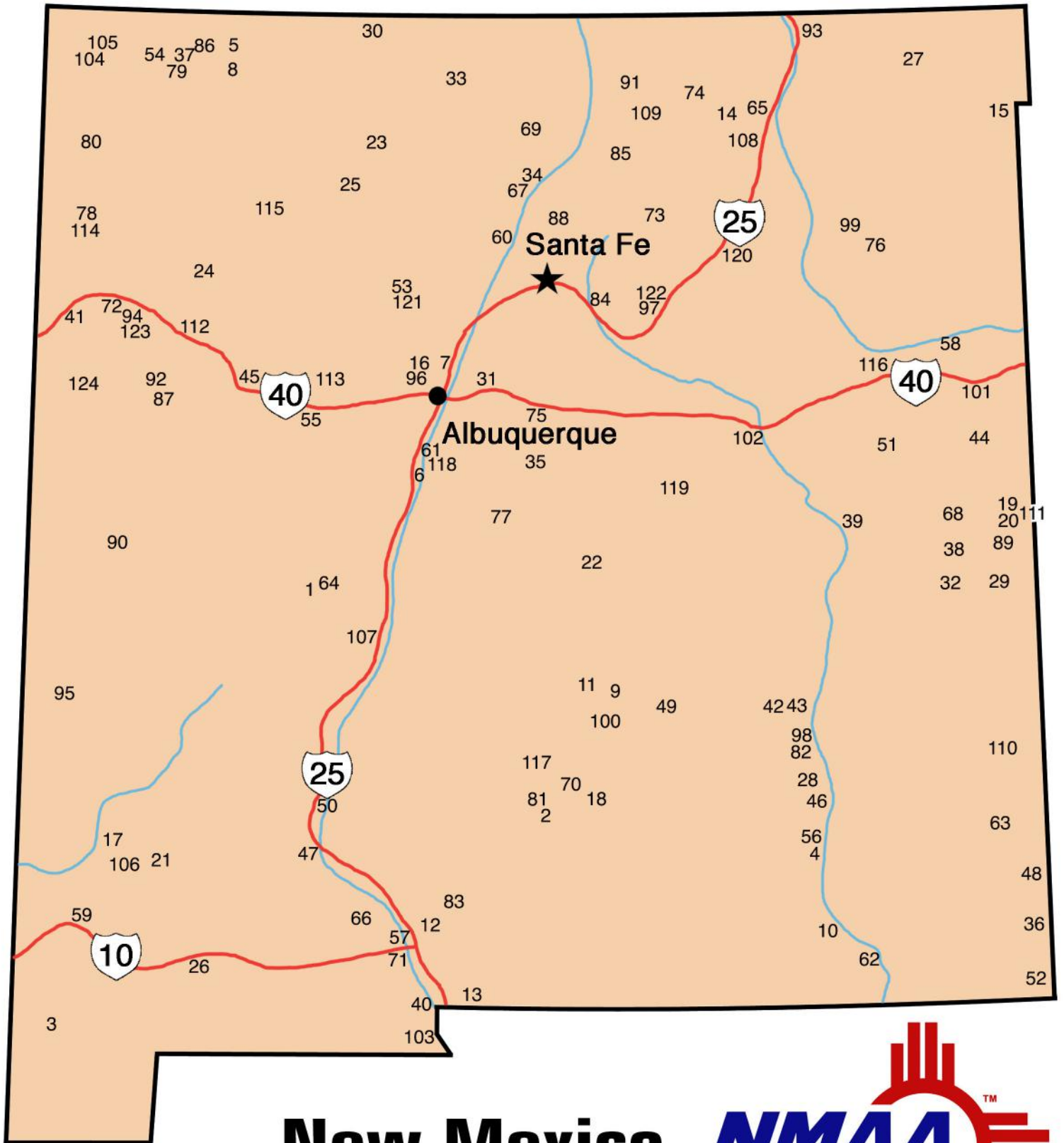
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10	Tyler Belcher	Jr.	30	Colton Ferguson	Sr.	84	Teagan Norman	8th
12	Wesley Poling	Sr.	42	Jesse Woodruff	So.	86	Johny Woodruff	Sr.
15	Clayton Nixon	8th	45	Logan Victor	Sr.	88	Alex Castro	Jr.
16	Will Haley	Sr.	50	Emmit Falcon	Sr.		Tyce Delk	Sr.
20	Rylan Creighton	So.	60	Cole Heflin	Fr.		Kalynn Kirk	Jr.
21	Aiden Yates	Fr.	70	Anthony Dimmitt	Fr.			
22	Teagan Burton	Jr.	81	Jeremiah Woodruff	8th		Head Coach: Jereme Woodruff	
24	Levi Victor	Fr.	82	Dalyn Taylor	Fr.			



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3	Jake Peek	Sr.	24	Gabriel Garcia	Sr.	80	Tyler Benjamin	So.
5	Wesley Jeffrey	Sr.	25	Chris Arellano	So.	86	Ethan Lanier	So.
7	Diego Maestas	Jr.	42	Lane Barnnet	So.			
10	Jose Urquijo	Sr.	44	Jaron Berry	Sr.	Head Coach: Patricio Montoya		
12	Owen Burton	Sr.	64	Seth Henriquez	Jr.			
15	Adam Torres	So.	70	Donnie Miller	Jr.			
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Legend of the Gridiron Kevin Barker, Manzano & Sandia High Schools



Kevin Barker grew up in Colorado and Arizona, but he is a Legend of the sport of football in the state of New Mexico. Barker spent 31 years coaching football in Albuquerque. His head coaching career started at Manzano High School, after he had spent several seasons as an assistant on the Monarchs' staff.

"We were 1-9 the year before," Barker recalled. "I was the O-line coach and a lot of stuff went wrong, but we were really building." The Monarchs went 7-3 with Barker as the interim head coach. "It was a good turnaround year, with a win against defending state champ La Cueva, and I got the job."

He led Manzano for seven seasons and compiled a record of 49-27. At the young age of 31, Barker led the Monarchs to their first ever state title game in 1996, where they lost to Mayfield 14-0.

In 2000, Barker left Manzano to take the head coaching position at Sandia High School. He racked up a record of 111-98 with the Matadors. In 2012, Barker reached the state final again, this time with his Sandia Matadors. Sandia lost to Las Cruces in the final, 35-28.

In April of 2019, Barker announced he was stepping down from coaching for health reasons.

What was your playing career like as a high schooler?

I was all-state and in the all-star game in high school. I was a guard and a tackle. I started as a sophomore at Thunderbird High School (AZ). I went through three coaches in my last three years.

What brought you to New Mexico?

I got a football scholarship to Eastern New Mexico University out of my junior college in Phoenix - Glendale Community College. It was way different than Phoenix. I started my first seven games at Eastern and then I blew out my knee. It was pretty serious, but the coaches kept me on scholarship. They let me be a part of their coaches' meetings and that got me to love coaching and learn how to break down tape and I took notes. It was like Coaching 101.

How did you get started in football in the first place?

I think it's just the love of the game. I grew up in Denver, my dad really loved the game. He played in Montrose, Colorado. I started playing in Denver at the age of 9. I loved the Denver Broncos growing up. Then, we moved to Phoenix. My dad passed away when I was in seventh grade, but my coaches



kept me involved and they played a special part for me and really helped me out.

How difficult was it losing your father at an early age?

It was tough. He had cancer for five or six years and we would go back and forth to San Diego to the hospital for treatment. He passed away in 1978 and my mom was a strong lady. She went to work and we kept chugging along. I think I had to grow up quickly with my dad passing. I had to do some things that normal 13 or 14-year-olds didn't do. My summer jobs included laying rock and doing landscaping in Phoenix. I would work from 5:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and then we would have football practice. All of my checks would go to my mom so we could pay the bills.

Is there one memory or one game from your many years at Manzano that stands out over the others?

Probably my first game ever. We were playing Los Lunas. They were 11-1 the year before and we thought they were going to blow us off the field. We led most of the game, but Los Lunas came back to take the lead late. We had 1:16 left, we went down the field and scored.

What prompted your move to Sandia?

Sandia is where my wife went to school. Sandia is right down the street from me. It's a great school and I really liked the challenge of building something. It was the right fit for me. My kids were getting older and would end up going there.

What was it like reaching the state final again, this time with Sandia?

It was amazing. Those are the kids my son played with all the way up since 3rd grade. The core of that group had known me since they were third graders and all wanted to be Mators. To reach that game, I know we didn't win it, but to get there with your son playing for you with those kids, it was a pretty amazing night.

How would you describe yourself as a coach?

I was high energy. I was a player's coach. For all my years at Manzano and Sandia we made a sign that said, 'Close your mind to football.' I had a genuine love for all my players.

You are passionate about the game. What went into the decision to step away?

I had some health issues and I'm still working through those. It kind of scared me. It was the toughest thing I had to do, tell my team I had to step away. It had been 31 years. It was time.

Will we see you again on the sidelines?

I don't know if I'll ever coach again or what will happen, but I know I want to stay around the game. I'm happy about this decision.

If I were writing a book about the Kevin Barker story, what would the title be?

Coach who gave all he had for his players and his school. I truly believe that everything I could give, I did. I won a lot of games and lost a lot of games, but you measure how your players become great young men, fathers and husbands and members of the community. We've had a lot of those kids at Manzano and Sandia and we had a part in that.

WHAT THEY ARE SAYING ABOUT KEVIN BARKER:

"Kevin and I became head coaches about the same time. His teams were always well prepared and played hard. He's one of my best friends in the coaching profession and I will miss competing against him." - **Judge Chavez, longtime high school football coach**

"Kevin Barker is one of New Mexico's ultimate education-based coaches. He is a true professional who coaches beyond the game." - **Buster Mabrey, Executive Director of the New Mexico High School Coaches Association**





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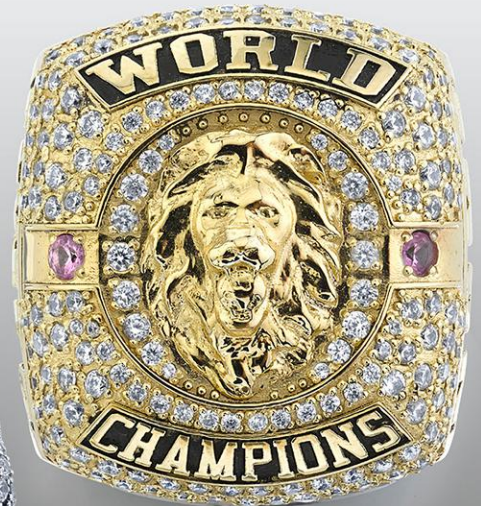
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2018	AAAAA	La Cueva (13-0)	Brandon Back	Cleveland (12-1)	Heath Ridenour	33-14
	AAAAA	Roswell (11-2)	Jeff Lynn	Los Lunas (9-3)	Jeremy Maupin	42-6
	AAAA	Taos (12-1)	Art Abreu	Bloomfield (9-5)	Bob Allcorn	14-7
	AAA	Dexter (11-2)	Arturo Duran	Robertson (11-3)	Leroy Gonzalez	22-12
	AA	Eunice (12-0)	Ken Stevens	Santa Rosa (11-2)	Mario Trujillo	35-6
	Eight-Man	Tatum (10-2)	Gary Richardson	Gateway Christian (9-2)	Shaun Wigley	28-20
	Six-Man	Animas (10-0)	David Ramirez	Elida (9-2)	Jarred Hestand	59-21
2017	AAAAA	Manzano (13-0)	Chad Adcox	La Cueva (11-2)	Brandon Back	14-7
	AAAAA	Artesia (11-2)	Rex Henderson	Belen (12-1)	Greg Henington	48-14
	AAAA	Ruidoso (10-3)	Kief Johnson	Robertson (11-2)	Leroy Gonzalez	57-54
	AAA	Eunice (13-0)	Ken Stevens	Capitan (11-2)	James Weems	34-13
	AA	Ft. Sumner/House (11-0)	Brad Holland	Escalante (10-2)	Dusty Giles	55-7
	Eight-Man	Melrose (11-0)	Dickie Roybal	Mountainair (9-2)	Robert Zamora	76-24
	Six-Man	Animas (9-0)	David Ramirez	Reserve (7-2)	Ian Fletcher	48-22
2016	AAAAA	Rio Rancho (13-0)	David Howes	Las Cruces (11-2)	Mark Lopez	39-17
	AAAAA	St. Pius X (12-1)	San Juan Mendoza	Artesia (10-3)	Rex Henderson	34-24
	AAAA	Portales (12-1)	Jaime Ramirez	Robertson (12-1)	Leroy Gonzalez	43-14
	AAA	Capitan (12-1)	James Weems	Eunice (8-5)	Ken Stevens	27-26
	AA	Lordsburg (8-2)	Louis Baisa	Ft. Sumner/House (11-1)	Brad Holland	34-26
	Eight-Man	Melrose (11-1)	Dickie Roybal	Gateway Christian (11-1)	Shaun Wigley	58-39
	Six-Man	San Jon (8-0)	Bobby Gomez	Lake Arthur (6-4)	Jose Porras	47-46
2015	AAAAA	Cleveland (13-0)	Heath Ridenour	Eldorado (10-3)	Charlie Dotson	48-35
	AAAAA	Artesia (12-1)	Cooper Henderson	Centennial (12-1)	Aaron Ocampo	42-34
	AAAA	Hatch Valley (13-0)	Jack Cisco	Robertson (10-3)	Leroy Gonzalez	17-7
	AAA	Estancia (13-0)	Stewart Burnett	Eunice (8-4)	Ken Stevens	50-14
	AA	Escalante (11-1)	Dusty Giles	Ft. Sumner/House (8-4)	Brad Holland	28-20
	Eight-Man	Melrose (13-0)	Dickie Roybal	Gateway Christian (10-2)	Shaun Wigley	38-28
	Six-Man	Hondo Valley (6-3)	Brandon Devine	Floyd (5-4)	Steve Foust	40-20
2014	AAAAA	Rio Rancho (13-0)	David Howes	Mayfield (11-2)	Michael Bradley	33-31
	AAAAA	Artesia (12-1)	Cooper Henderson	Belen (11-2)	John Lerma	49-21
	AAAA	Ruidoso (12-1)	Kief Johnson	Cobre (10-4)	Jerry Martinez	35-28
	AAA	Estancia (11-3)	Stewart Burnett	Clayton (11-1)	Collin Justiss	14-6
	AA	Escalante (12-0)	Dusty Giles	Hagerman (10-2)	Casey Crandall	34-30
	Eight-Man	Melrose (11-1)	Dickie Roybal	Logan (12-1)	Kene Terry	76-37
	Six-Man	Hondo Valley (10-0)	Brandon Devine	Lake Arthur (9-3)	Jose Porras	72-33
2013	AAAAA	Las Cruces (12-1)	Jim Miller	Mayfield (11-2)	Michael Bradley	27-26
	AAAA	Farmington (12-1)	Gary Bradley	Goddard (9-3)	Sam Jernigan	7-0
	AAA	Robertson (9-5)	Leroy Gonzalez	Silver (9-4)	Butch Branson	34-7
	AA	Clayton (12-1)	Collin Justiss	Hatch Valley (10-3)	Jack Cisco	28-6
	A	Hagerman (13-0)	Casey Crandall	Capitan (9-6)	Jim Hughes	35-6
	Eight-Man	Gateway Christian (11-0)	Shaun Wigley	Foothill (8-3)	Pat Quillen	72-55
	Six-Man	Lake Arthur (11-0)	Jose Porras	Hondo Valley (9-2)	Brandon Devine	66-50
2012	AAAAA	Las Cruces (11-1)	Jim Miller	Sandia (9-3)	Kevin Barker	35-28
	AAAA	Goddard (12-0)	Sam Jernigan	Los Lunas (13-2)	Jeremy Newton	17-14
	AAA	St. Michael's (13-0)	Joey Fernandez	Silver (10-4)	Butch Branson	10-7
	AA	Santa Rosa (13-0)	Mario Trujillo	Tularosa (11-1)	Bryan Jones	28-0
	A	Escalante (12-1)	Dusty Giles	Capitan (8-5)	Collin Justiss	48-30
	Eight-Man	Gateway Christian (11-0)	Shaun Wigley	Tatum (9-2)	Gary Durham	32-26
	Six-Man	Lake Arthur (9-1)	Jose Porras	Hondo Valley (5-5)	Brandon Devine	65-46
2011	AAAAA	Cleveland (13-0)	Kirk Potter	Mayfield (9-3)	Michael Bradley	48-28
	AAAA	Aztec (13-0)	Brad Hirsch	Goddard (11-1)	Sam Jernigan	28-27
	AAA	Lovington (9-3)	Jaime Quinones	St. Michael's (12-1)	Joey Fernandez	14-10
	AA	Santa Rosa (11-2)	Mario Trujillo	Eunice (11-1)	Danie Hutchins	21-14
	A	Mesilla Valley (9-3)	Charles Gleghorn	Fort Sumner (8-3)	Matt Moyer	41-6
	Eight-Man	Gateway Christian (9-2)	Shaun Wigley	Melrose (10-1)	Dickie Roybal	40-32
	Six-Man	Lake Arthur (8-2)	Jose Porras	Clovis Christian (9-1)	Jason Swann	54-26
2010	AAAAA	Mayfield (10-4)	Michael Bradley	Manzano (11-2)	Aaron Ocampo	69-42
	AAAA	Artesia (8-4)	Cooper Henderson	Aztec (12-1)	Brad Hirsch	45-34
	AAA	Lovington (9-2)	Jamie Quinones	ABQ. Academy (10-1)	Kevin Carroll	60-43
	AA	Santa Rosa (9-4)	Mario Trujillo	Tularosa (10-1)	Bryan Jones	13-6
	A	Fort Sumner (10-1)	Matt Moyer	Hagerman (10-2)	Randy Montoya	17-12
	Eight-Man	Melrose (7-3)	Dickie Roybal	Mountainair (9-1)	Robert Zamora	22-20



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2010	Six-Man	Clovis Christian (10-0)	Jason Swann	Lake Arthur (7-4)	Jose Porras	60-13
2009	AAAAA	La Cueva (12-1)	Fred Romero	Mayfield (11-2)	Michael Bradley	31-14
	AAAA	Goddard (11-2)	Sam Jernigan	Belen (12-1)	John Lerma	28-21
	AAA	Lovington (11-2)	Jamie Quinones	Socorro (9-4)	Damien Ocampo	28-21
	AA	Tularosa (10-2)	Bryan Jones	Lordsburg (11-2)	Louie Baisa	35-0
	A	Hagerman (11-1)	Randy Montoya	Clayton (8-2)	Bobby Spinelli	13-12
	Eight-Man	Melrose (11-0)	Dickie Roybal	Tatum (10-2)	Gary Durham	64-14
	Six-Man	Lake Arthur (9-2)	Jose Porras	Hondo (9-2)	Brandon Devine	72-70
2008	AAAAA	Las Cruces (13-0)	Jim Miller	Eldorado (12-1)	Charlie Dotson	26-21
	AAAA	Goddard (12-1)	Sam Jernigan	Aztec (12-1)	Brad Hirsch	49-45
	AAA	Portales (10-3)	Andy Correll	Lovington (9-4)	Jamie Quinones	48-10
	AAA	Texico (12-0)	Michael Prokop	Dexter (11-1)	Tim Fuller	28-26
	A	Fort Sumner (11-1)	Matt Moyer	Clayton (10-2)	Bobby Spinelli	48-0
	Eight-Man	Melrose (11-0)	Dickie Roybal	Tatum (7-5)	Gary Durham	52-8
	Six-Man	Hondo (9-2)	Brandon Devine	San Jon (4-6)	Waymound Ragland	56-26
2007	AAAAA	Mayfield (12-1)	Michael Bradley	Clovis (9-4)	Eric Roanhaus	49-48
	AAAA	Artesia (13-2)	Cooper Henderson	Goddard (9-4)	Sam Jernigan	58-31
	AAA	St. Michael's (12-2)	Joey Fernandez	Robertson (9-6)	Chad Roanhaus	27-6
	AA	Santa Rosa (12-1)	Frank Ortiz	Texico (9-3)	Michael Prokop	46-7
	A	Fort Sumner (11-1)	Dexter McDaniel	Carrizozo (10-2)	Brad Holland	39-14
	Eight-Man	Mountainair (12-0)	Robert Zamora	Animas (10-1)	Louie Laborin	38-26
	Six-Man	Lake Arthur (9-1)	Jose Porras	NMSD (6-3)	Robert Huizar	60-37
2006	AAAAA	Mayfield (13-0)	Michael Bradley	Alamogordo (10-3)	Bruce Dollar	31-7
	AAAA	Artesia (13-0)	Cooper Henderson	Goddard (10-4)	Sam Jernigan	30-23
	AAA	Robertson (12-1)	Chad Roanhaus	Portales (7-6)	Andy Correll	28-6
	AA	Lordsburg (12-0)	Louie Baisa	Santa Rosa (12-1)	Frank Ortiz	20-10
	A	Fort Sumner (9-4)	Dexter McDaniel	Clayton (8-4)	Gary Durham	14-3
	Eight-Man	Gateway Christian (12-0)	Shaun Wigley	Mountainair (9-3)	Robert Zamora	54-20
	Six-Man	N.M.S.D. (10-1)	Robert Hulzar	San Jon (4-2)	Waymond Ragland	66-59
2005	AAAAA	Mayfield (14-0)	Jim Bradley	Clovis (12-2)	Eric Roanhaus	17-7
	AAAA	Silver (12-2)	David Carrillo	Aztec (11-3)	Brad Hirsch	27-20
	AAA	Robertson (13-1)	Chad Roanhaus	Lovington (9-5)	John "Speedy" Faith	28-27
	AA	Hatch Valley (10-2)	Charles Gleghorn	Tucumcari (10-2)	Dub Smith	54-7
	A	Fort Sumner (11-2)	Dexter McDaniel	Texico (7-5)	Mike Prokop	14-7
	Six-Man	Gateway Christian (10-1)	Shaun Wigley	Melrose (10-1)	Dickie Roybal	78-47
2004	AAAAA	La Cueva (13-0)	Fred Romero	Clovis (9-4)	Eric Roanhaus	40-0
	AAAA	Artesia (10-2)	Cooper Henderson	Silver (13-1)	David Carrillo	42-0
	AAA	Lovington (8-5)	John "Speedy" Faith	St. Michael's (7-6)	Joey Fernandez	40-14
	AA	Hatch Valley (13-0)	Charles Gleghorn	Santa Rosa (10-2)	Frank Ortiz	46-7
	A	Texico (12-0)	Mike Prokop	Cloudcroft (10-2)	Terry Welch	35-7
	Six-Man	Melrose (11-1)	Dickie Roybal	Floyd (9-1)	Jeff Gillespie	74-60
2003	AAAAA	La Cueva (13-0)	Fred Romero	Mayfield (11-2)	Jim Bradley	24-21
	AAAA	Artesia (12-1)	Cooper Henderson	Aztec (9-4)	Danny Boyce	35-14
	AAA	St. Michael's (13-1)	Joey Fernandez	Lovington (9-5)	John "Speedy" Faith	41-26
	AA	Hatch Valley (11-2)	Charles Gleghorn	Lordsburg (9-4)	Louie Baisa	41-12
	A	Texico (12-0)	Mike Prokop	Loving (9-4)	Jamie Ramirez	21-6
	Six-Man	Tatum (12-0)	Jarrod Sowder	Melrose (9-3)	Dickie Roybal	57-40
2002	AAAAA	Las Cruces (9-4)	Jim Miller	Mayfield (12-1)	Jim Bradley	17-14
	AAAA	Onate (11-2)	Kelly McKee	Goddard (8-5)	Sam Jernigan	17-14
	AAA	Ruidoso (8-5)	Ridge Bowden	Portales (8-5)	Glen Johnson	26-22
	AA	Tucumcari (11-2)	Dub Smith	Santa Rosa (11-1)	Frank Ortiz	10-9
	A	Fort Sumner (12-1)	Mario Martinez	Texico (11-1)	Mike Prokop	15-6
	Six-Man	Gateway Christian (11-0)	Brent Green	Lake Arthur (8-3)	Jose Porras	58-12
2001	AAAAA	Clovis (13-0)	Eric Roanhaus	Mayfield (13-1)	Jim Bradley	17-10
	AAAA	Artesia (11-2)	Cooper Henderson	St. Puis (12-1)	San Juan Mendoza	28-20
	AAA	Lovington (13-0)	John "Speedy" Faith	Robertson (5-8)	Art Abreu	59-3
	AA	Tularosa (11-2)	Bruce Dollar	Estancia (9-4)	Tim Garro	51-28
	A	Fort Sumner (13-0)	Mario Martinez	Texico (8-4)	Mike Prokop	26-0
	Six-Man	Ramah (10-1)	Ron Stevenson	Lake Arthur (9-2)	Jose Porras	101-76
2000	AAAAA	Las Cruces (13-1)	Jim Miller	Carlsbad (11-3)	Kirk Potter	45-21
	AAAA	Roswell (10-3)	Jack Cisco	Piedra Vista (11-2)	Wilson Wilhite	35-31
	AAA	Lovington (11-3)	John "Speedy" Faith	Cobre (7-6)	Brian Miller	42-7



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2000	AA	Eunice (11-2)	Gene Strickland	Tucumcari (11-1)	Dub Smith	9-0
	A	Hagerman (13-0)	Shawn Bohanon	Fort Sumner (11-1)	Mario Martinez	17-7
	Six-Man	Floyd (10-0)	Dan Sebastian	Ramah (9-1)	Ron Stevenson	81-70
1999	AAAA	Las Cruces (14-0)	Jim Miller	Goddard (10-3)	Sam Jernigan	24-12
	AAA	St. Pius (12-1)	San Juan Mendoza	Artesia (9-4)	Cooper Henderson	22-12
	AA	Eunice (10-3)	Gerald Burns	Menaul (10-3)	Dan Snyder	18-0
	A	Jal (11-2)	Chad Merchant	Loving (11-1)	George Frederick	26-0
	Six-Man	Melrose (9-1)	Dickey Roybal	Roy (9-1)	Matthew Baca	42-36
1998	AAAA	Mayfield (14-1)	Jim Bradley	Goddard (11-2)	Sam Jernigan	13-7
	AAA	Artesia (13-0)	Cooper Henderson	Ruidoso (11-3)	Les Carter	35-22
	AA	Santa Rosa (12-1)	Frank Ortiz	Clayton (9-3)	Bobby Spinelli	18-7
	A	Fort Sumner (10-3)	Mario Martinez	Texico (8-4)	Dave Lynn	22-16
	Six-Man	Roy (10-0)	Matthew Baca	Melrose (7-4)	Dickey Roybal	49-12
1997	AAAA	Goddard (13-1)	Sam Jernigan	Clovis (8-5)	Eric Roanhaus	3-0
	AAA	Artesia (12-1)	Cooper Henderson	Silver (10-3)	Henry Carrillo	34-31
	AA	Dexter (12-1)	David Campbell	Santa Rosa (8-5)	Frank Ortiz	27-25
	A	Fort Sumner (10-3)	Mario Martinez	Texico (10-3)	Barry Partain	21-0
	Six-Man	Roy (10-0)	Matthew Baca	Mountainair (9-1)	Ernesto Renteria	63-42
1996	AAAA	Mayfield (13-1)	Jim Bradley	Manzano (10-3)	Kevin Barker	14-0
	AAA	Artesia (11-2)	Cooper Henderson	Raton (10-4)	Tom Vertovec	35-20
	AA	Santa Rosa (12-1)	Frank Ortiz	Eunice (8-5)	David Lynn	27-0
	A	Texico (10-3)	Barry Partain	Jal (9-3)	David Fouts	17-6
	Six-Man	Melrose (9-2)	Dale Means	Lake Arthur (9-1)	James Burch	72-60
1995	AAAA	Mayfield (13-1)	Jim Bradley	Clovis (11-2)	Eric Roanhaus	13-12
	AAA	Lovington (14-0)	John "Speedy" Faith	Silver (12-3)	Henry Carrillo	24-7
	AA	Eunice (10-3)	David Lynn	Santa Rosa (9-4)	Frank Ortiz	19-0
	A	Fort Sumner (13-0)	Mario Martinez	Animas (10-2)	Allen Williams	28-27
	Six-Man	Ramah (9-0)	Jesse Sauskojus	Melrose (7-3)	Dale Means	41-30
1994	AAAA	Clovis (11-2)	Eric Roanhaus	Goddard (11-3)	Sam Jernigan	14-10
	AAA	Artesia (12-1)	Cooper Henderson	Lovington (11-4)	John "Speedy" Faith	35-21
	AA	Eunice (9-4)	Frank Ortiz	Tularosa (11-2)	Phil Schmidt	13-0
	A	Jal (10-2)	David Fouts	Capitan (11-2)	Ed Davis	34-0
	Six-Man	Melrose (8-1)	Dale Means	Ramah (7-2)	Leon Porter	54-31
1993	AAAA	Goddard (12-1)	Sam Jernigan	Clovis (9-5)	Eric Roanhaus	24-21
	AAA	Artesia (9-4)	Cooper Henderson	Aztec (12-1)	Danny Boyce	28-9
	AA	Santa Rosa (9-3)	Frank Ortiz	Jal (10-2)	David Fouts	21-3
	A	Loving (7-4)	George Fredrick	Cloudcroft (6-6)	Danny Ward	29-12
	Six-Man	Lake Arthur (8-3)	James Burch	Roy (6-4)	Randy Zarate	70-40
1992	AAAA	La Cueva (12-1)	Ron Warren	Roswell (12-2)	Jim Bradley	35-0
	AAA	Artesia (10-3)	Cooper Henderson	Raton (10-3)	Tom Vertovec	24-0
	AA	Jal (12-1)	David Fouts	Hot Springs (10-1)	Travis Lee	33-20
	A	Loving (9-3)	George Fredrick	Tatum (5-6)	Kerry Scott	27-13
	Six-Man	Mountainair (9-0)	Ernest Renteria	Ramah (8-2)	Leon Porter	42-30
1991	AAAA	Clovis (12-2)	Eric Roanhaus	Eldorado (11-2)	Bill Gentry	13-10
	AAA	Goddard (12-2)	Sam Jernigan	Artesia (8-5)	Cooper Henderson	28-14
	AA	Menaul (11-0)	Gus Brock	Jal (8-2)	David Fouts	19-13
	A	Hagerman (9-3)	David Lynn	Loving (7-4)	George Fredrick	36-8
	Six-Man	Mountainair (11-0)	Ernest Renteria	Ramah (8-2)	Dennis Simons	56-8
1990	AAAA	Clovis (13-1)	Eric Roanhaus	Eldorado (9-4)	Bill Gentry	28-0
	AAA	Lovington (12-0)	Jerry Brown	Bloomfield (11-2)	Jim Cromartie	13-7
	AA	Animas (11-1)	Billy Henson	Lordsburg (11-2)	Louie Baisa	36-0
	A	Texico (11-1)	Bruce Scroggins	Hagerman (8-4)	David Lynn	28-0
	Six-Man	Mountainair (10-0)	Ernest Renteria	Lake Arthur (6-4)	James Moor	47-46
1989	AAAA	Highland (12-1)	Mark Henry	Clovis (10-4)	Eric Roanhaus	6-0
	AAA	Goddard (12-3)	Jim Hite	Lovington (12-1)	Jerry Brown	6-0
	AA	Animas (12-0)	Billy Henson	Santa Rosa (9-4)	Frank Ortiz	51-6
	A	Loving (10-1)	George Fredrick	Tatum (8-4)	Kerry Scott	11-7
	Six-Man	Mountainair (8-2)	Ernest Renteria	Magdalena (8-2)	Bob DeVeries	74-28
1988	AAAA	Roswell (13-1)	Jim Bradley	Clovis (11-3)	Eric Roanhaus	14-3
	AAA	Portales (12-2)	Bob Crane	Ruidoso (8-6)	Cooper Henderson	31-15
	AA	Animas (12-0)	Billy Henson	Clayton (12-1)	Rick McKay	23-8
	A	Tatum (8-4)	Kerry Scott	Springer (8-3)	James Jackson	10-7



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1988	Six-Man	Lake Arthur (10-1)	James Moor	Mountainair (8-2)	Ernest Renteria	60-22
1987	AAAA	Roswell (11-1)	Jim Bradley	Mayfield (10-1)	Mike Draper	29-7
	AAA/Co-Champs	Artesia (11-2-1)	T.W. Harvey	Lovington (9-3-1)	Jerry Brown	0-0
	AA	Animas (13-0)	Billy Henson	Clayton (9-4)	Rick McKay	14-0
	A	Tatum (8-4)	Kerry Scott	Cloudcroft (8-3)	Don Warren	27-14
	Six-Man	Lake Arthur (9-1)	James Moor	Corona (8-3)	G. Ray Johnson	44-2
1986	AAAA	Highland (11-2)	Bill Gentry	Roswell (10-3)	Jim Bradley	14-7
	AAA	Lovington (13-0)	Jerry Brown	Ruidoso (12-2)	Cooper Henderson	20-7
	AA	Animas (13-0)	Billy Henson	Lordsburg (12-2)	Travis Lee	31-7
	A	Tatum (9-3)	Kerry Scott	Melrose (10-1)	Dwayne York	21-0
1985	AAAA	Clovis (11-3)	Eric Roanhaus	Alamogordo (12-1)	Gary Hveem	36-12
	AAA	Ruidoso (12-1)	Cooper Henderson	Silver (12-2)	Gary Gibbs	21-19
	AA	Animas (12-0)	Billy Henson	Jal (10-3)	David Fouts	33-14
	A	Reserve (8-1-1)	Bill Richards	Tatum (7-5)	Kerry Scott	14-0
1984	AAAA	Clovis (10-2-1)	Eric Roanhaus	Roswell (7-5-1)	Jim Bradley	17-0
	AAA	Artesia (11-1-2)	T.W. Harvey	Aztec (10-4)	Jerry Bailey	33-12
	AA/Co-Champs	Animas (8-3-1)	Billy Henson	Tularosa (9-2-1)	Bob Cerny	7-7
	A	Reserve (10-0)	Bill Richards	Carrizozo (9-2)	Dennis Sidebottom	21-7
1983	AAAA	Clovis (10-1-2)	Eric Roanhaus	Roswell (11-1-1)	Jim Bradley	50-18
	AAA	Artesia (8-5)	Mike Phipps	Portales (8-4)	Tom Gruber	22-8
	AA	Jal (9-4)	David Fouts	Tularosa (8-4)	Bob Cerny	19-7
	A	Texico (10-1)	David Lynn	Tatum (9-1)	Kerry Scott	23-0
1982	AAAA	Clovis (11-2)	Eric Roanhaus	Alamogordo (9-4-1)	Gary Hveem	20-7
	AAA	Artesia (9-4)	Mike Phipps	Silver (12-2)	George James	31-28
	AA	Moriarty (11-1)	Ted Hern	Santa Rosa (9-3)	John Warfield	23-6
	A	Capitan (7-2-1)	Mel Holland	Reserve (7-3)	Bill Richards	14-12
1981	AAAA	Clovis (9-3)	Eric Roanhaus	Hobbs (11-2)	Doug James	27-7
	AAA	Portales (10-3)	Tom Gruber	Silver (10-3)	George James	20-16
	AA	Moriarty (13-0)	Ted Hern	Estancia (7-6)	Bob Bell	45-8
	A	Reserve (10-0)	Bill Richards	Texico (9-1)	Paul Topliff	14-8
1980	AAAA	Eldorado (13-0)	Jerry Hall	Clovis (11-2)	Eric Roanhaus	14-11
	AAA	Artesia (13-1)	Mike Phipps	Bloomfield (11-2)	Barry Coffman	50-30
	AA	Jal (9-3)	David Fouts	Moriarty (12-1)	Ted Hern	28-6
	A	Reserve (10-0)	Bill Richards	Capitan (5-4)	Mel Holland	26-20
1979	AAAA	Santa Fe (13-1)	David Church	Eldorado (11-2)	Jerry Hall	19-15
	AAA	Portales (11-2)	Tom Gruber	Silver (10-4)	George James	15-14
	AA	Estancia (10-1-1)	Bob Bell	Hatch Valley (6-5)	Gary Haggard	33-7
	A	Hagerman (11-0-1)	James Newton	Texico (11-1)	Paul Topliff	9-7
1978	AAAA	Clovis (10-4)	Eric Roanhaus	Eldorado (12-1)	Jerry Hall	7-3
	AAA	Artesia (10-3-1)	Mike Phipps	Bloomfield (11-2)	Barry Coffman	13-0
	AA	Eunice (11-2)	Tom Gruber	Clayton (7-6)	Phillip Ehly	8-0
	A	Hagerman (7-3-1)	James Newton	Texico (10-2)	Paul Topliff	35-19
1977	AAAA	Clovis (12-2)	Dunny Goode	Sandia (11-2)	Jim Ottmann	3-0
	AAA	Socorro (10-2-1)	Eddie Castaneda	ABQ. Academy (10-1)	Harry Herder	12-7
	AA	Eunice (6-6)	Tom Gruber	Jal (6-6)	Frank Gage	20-19
	A	Hagerman (11-1)	James Newton	Corona (5-6)	Paul Warfield	48-14
1976	AAAA	Sandia (10-2-1)	Jim Ottmann	Mayfield (10-3)	Clem Mancini	23-6
	AAA	Artesia (11-1-1)	Mike Phipps	Socorro (11-2)	Eddie Castaneda	46-6
	AA	McCurdy (11-1)	Jerry Hunsberger	Clayton (9-3)	Phillip Ehly	22-16
	A	Carrizozo (9-3)	Henry Paul	Capitan (10-2)	Billy Henson	8-0
1975	AAAA	Las Cruces (13-0)	Rex Hennington	Eldorado (11-1-1)	Jerry Hall	29-15
	AAA	Artesia (11-1)	Mike Phipps	St. Pius (10-2)	Ray Gianinni	22-17
	AA	Eunice (9-4)	Tom Gruber	Dexter (12-1)	Gerald Burns	22-6
	A	Hagerman (10-1)	Barry Coffman	Reserve (8-1)	Robert Sampson	55-0
1974	AAAA	Del Norte (13-0)	Howard Anderson	Hobbs (8-5)	Pat Tone	14-6
	AAA	Artesia (13-0)	Mike Phipps	Deming (11-2)	Rusty Hofacket	23-0
	AA	Jal (9-3)	Frank Gage	Clayton (10-2)	Phillip Ehly	24-21
	A	Hagerman (9-1)	Berry Coffman	Carrizozo (3-7)	Levon Webb	48-6
1973	AAAA	Clovis (14-0)	Dunny Goode	Hobbs (10-4)	Pat Tone	16-0
	AAA	St. Pius (12-0)	Ray Gianinni	St. Michael's (9-3)	Mike Noonan	27-16
	AA	Kirtland (10-0-2)	Ed Suson	Jal (7-5)	Frank Gage	34-0
	A/Co-Champs	Cloudcroft (9-0-1)	Everett Banister	Vaughn (7-3-1)	Leo Abeyta	8-8



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1972	AAAA	Hobbs (10-2)	Pat Tone	Mayfield (10-2)	Jim Bradley	31-15
	AAA	St. Michael's (9-3)	Mike Noonan	Lovington (9-4)	Dale Buck	28-6
	AA	Ruidoso (10-1-1)	Doyle Howell	Jal (6-5)	Frank Gage	12-6
	A	Carrizozo (10-0)	Roger St. Louis	Melrose (6-2-1)	Dan Ward	19-14
1971	AAAA	Mayfield (10-1)	Jim Bradley	West Mesa (9-2)	Jimmy Juarez	24-20
	AAA	Cobre (11-0-1)	Ron Darnell	Portales (8-4)	Chuck Inman	16-14
	AA	Jal (6-5)	Frank Gage	Ruidoso (9-3)	Doyle Howell	21-6
	A	Carrizozo (11-0)	Roger St. Louis	Hagerman (8-2)	Army Silinas	20-7
1970	AAAA	Hobbs (12-1)	Doug Ethridge	Highland (9-2)	Bill Gentry	20-0
	AAA	Lovington (9-3-1)	Dale Buck	St. Michael's (8-4)	Mike Noonan	29-7
	AA	Jal (7-4-1)	Doyle Howell	Kirtland (8-3-1)	Ed Fuson	40-13
	A	Carrizozo (9-1-1)	Eli Casey	Navajo Mission (6-4)	Jack Pickens	28-8
1969	AAAA	Artesia (12-1)	L.G. Henderson	Hobbs (9-4)	Doug Ethridge	21-8
	AAA	Lovington (9-3)	Harold Teal	West Las Vegas (10-1)	Frank Herrera	46-14
	AA	Kirtland (10-1)	Martin Wade	Eunice (9-3)	Hershel Roach	12-3
	A	Carrizozo (9-2)	Tom Pannell	Cloudcroft (5-4)	Everet Banister	28-6
1968	AA	Artesia (12-0)	L.G. Henderson	Sandia (9-2)	Clem Charlton	40-0
	A	Lovington (9-2-1)	Harold Teal	Aztec (10-2)	Martin Steffan	13-12
	B	Hot Springs (12-0)	Travis Lee	Jal (6-5)	Doyle Howell	23-0
	C	Navajo Mission (6-3-1)	Joe Price	Roy (6-4)	Riddle	30-6
1967	AA	Artesia (9-2-1)	L.G. Henderson	Albuquerque (7-2-2)	Myrl Smith	40-14
	A	Goddard (9-2-1)	Scott Henington	Cobre (10-1)	Fred Byrd	14-6
	B	Jal (10-1)	Doyle Howell	Bloomfield (10-1)	John Salvo	40-0
	C	Roy (8-1)	Ken Willis	Cloudcroft (2-7)	Everett Banister	33-7
1966	AA	Artesia (12-0)	L.G. Henderson	Highland (10-1)	Bill Gentry	40-14
	A	Los Alamos (10-2)	Dale Parini	Gadsden (5-5-1)	James Canady	21-0
	B	Bloomfield (11-0)	John Salvo	Jal (9-2)	Don Schmidt	34-23
	C	Roy (8-1)	Roy Sturtz	Dexter (7-2)	Bob White	37-25
1965	AA	Highland (11-0)	Bill Gentry	Hobbs (11-1)	Bob Burns	13-10
	A	NMMI (9-2-1)	Marshall Brown	Deming (7-3-2)	Rusty Hofacket	33-0
	B	Eunice (10-1)	Martin Wade	Tularosa (8-4)	Boone Jackson	20-0
	C	Roy (8-1-1)	Roy Sturtz	Capitan (8-2)	Melvin Romero	30-7
1964	AA	Artesia (11-1)	L.G. Henderson	Highland (9-1)	Bill Gentry	20-6
	A	St. Michael's (8-3)	Ernie Abreu	St. Mary's (9-3)	Babe Parenti	12-6
	B	Kirtland (10-1)	Bill Slade	Eunice (5-5-1)	Martin Wade	14-0
	C	Carrizozo (9-1)	Bernie Laabs	Roy (6-3-1)	John Solis	26-7
1963	AA	Highland (11-0)	Bill Gentry	Las Cruces (8-2-1)	Ed Boykin	20-0
	A	NMMI (10-0-2)	Marshall Brown	Belen (10-1)	Evasalio Padilla	13-0
	B	Kirtland (9-0-1)	Bill Slade	Eunice (4-7)	"Bullet" Cook	32-14
	C	Carrizozo (9-1)	Bernie Laabs	McCurdy (6-2)	Jose Martinez	42-0
1962	AA	Carlsbad (11-0)	Ralph Bowyer	Farmington (9-2)	Tommy Campbell	34-0
	A	Gadsden (6-1)	James Canady	Raton (8-1)	Frank Repola	42-0
	B	Eunice (6-5)	"Bullet" Cook	Bloomfield (9-1)	John Salvo	6-0
	C	McCurdy (7-0)	Jose Martinez	Melrose (5-3-1)	Pat Casey	19-0
1961	AA	Carlsbad (10-0-1)	Ralph Bowyer	Albuquerque (7-2-2)	Myrl Smith	27-0
	A	Gadsden (7-0-1)	Jake Canady	Portales (7-2)	Curtis Blair	40-15
	B	Eunice (9-2)	"Bullet" Cook	Cathedral (7-4)	Bud Murray	52-0
	C	Carrizozo (9-1)	Bernie Laabs	Estancia (5-5-1)	Gerald Garret	57-0
1960	AA	Clovis (6-4-1)	Steve Graham	Farmington (9-1)	Tommy Campbell	20-14
	A	Lovington (7-2)	Wilson Knapp	Aztec (9-1)	Fred Cook	26-7
	B	Jal (8-1)	Harold Wickersham	Cathedral (6-4)	Max Norman	33-18
	C	Carrizozo (9-0)	Bernie Laabs	Chama (7-1-1)	Dennis Trujillo Sr.	34-0
1959	AA	Las Cruces (11-0)	Rudy Camunez	Artesia (8-3-1)	Reese Smith	31-7
	A	Tucumcari (9-2)	W.A. Wise	Aztec (5-1-2)	Fred Cook	13-7
	B	Jal (7-3)	Harold Wickersham	Navajo Mission (5-1-2)	Max Norman	76-0
	C	Menaul (10-0)	Dave Tomlinson	Carrizozo (8-1)	Bernie Laabs	13-7
1958	AA	Carlsbad (9-1-1)	Ralph Bowyer	Las Cruces (8-3)	Rudy Camunez	20-14
	A	Lovington (5-4)	Wilson Knapp	St. Michael's (7-2)	Dick Shelley	28-6
	B	Eunice (10-0)	"Bullet" Cook	Aztec (9-1-1)	Fred Cook	21-20
	C	Kirtland (8-2)	Bill Slade	Tatum (4-4-1)	Herb Pior	18-14
1957	AA	Artesia (12-0)	Reese Smith	Highland (6-2-2)	Hugh Hackett	27-7
	A	Lovington (6-3)	Wilson Knapp	Raton (8-1)	Frank Repola	20-6



Football State Champions

YEAR	CLASS	WINNING TEAM	HEAD COACH	RUNNERUP TEAM	HEAD COACH	SCORE
1957	B	Eunice (10-0)	"Bullet" Cook	Aztec (8-1)	Fred Cook	37-20
	C	Ruidoso (9-0-1)	Cy Leland	McCurdy (7-1)	Jose Martinez	12-7
1956	AA	Carlsbad (9-3)	Ralph Bowyer	Highland (8-3)	Hugh Hackett	26-7
	A	Raton (7-2)	Frank Repola	Deming (6-2)	Rusty Hoffacket	21-0
	B	Cathedral (9-1)	Joe San Filippo	Eunice (5-4)	"Bullet" Cook	12-0
1955	C	Tatum (8-1-1)	Herb Pior	Kirtland (7-3)	Bill Slade	7-0
	AA	Roswell (11-1)	Dewey Johnson	Las Cruces (9-1)	Rudy Camunez	19-14
	A	Gadsden (10-0)	Fred Byrd	St. Michael's (7-3)	Buster Hiller	19-0
1954	B	Santa Rosa (8-1)	John Salvo	Cathedral (7-3)	Joe San Filippo	12-7
	C	Ruidoso (10-0)	Cy Lenland	Kirtland (8-2)	Bill Slade	28-7
	AA	Highland (9-2)	Hugh Hackett	Artesia (9-2)	Reese Smith	20-0
1953	A	Gadsden (10-0)	George Dittiro	St. Michael's (8-2)	Buster Hillr	38-13
	B	Cathedral (9-0-1)	Joe San Filippo	Fort Sumner (7-3)	James Burke	13-7
	C	Tularosa (8-0-1)	Bob Erwin	Kirtland (6-5)	Bill Slade	38-7
1952	AA	Roswell (10-1)	Dewey Johnson	Albuquerque (7-4)	Pete McDavid	21-19
	A	Gadsden (10-0)	Maurice Moulder	Raton (7-4)	Frank Repola	27-0
	B	Aztec (10-1)	Fred Cook	Fort Sumner (7-3)	James Burke	21-14
C	Capitan (11-0)	Duane Darling	Navajo Mission (7-3)	Willard Bass	19-12	

NMAA Declared Champions 1950-52 (based on points system)

1952	A	Farmington (10-0)	Lou Cullen
	B/Co-Champs	Lovington (9-0)	Virgil Boteler
1951	A	Carlsbad (10-0)	Ralph Bowyer
	B	Lovington	Virgil Boteler
	C	Melrose	Glen Ellison
1950	A	Carlsbad (10-0)	Ralph Bowyer
	B	Alamogordo (8-2)	Rolla Buck
	C	Ruidoso (9-0)	Cy Leland

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The "modern era" for football in New Mexico can be determined to be 1950 when the NMAA established a method for determining state championships. While the NMAA monitored and regulated the sport prior to 1950, it had no reason to verify or maintain records of schools or athletes. Consequently, where noted, these records are from the modern era beginning in 1950.

TEAM RECORDS

MOST STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS (Official championships in NM were not recognized until 1950)

Rk.	No.	School	Years
1	30	Artesia*	1957, 1964, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1978, 1980, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1987, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1996, 1997, 1998, 2001, 2003, 2004, 2006, 2007, 2010, 2014, 2015, 2017
2	18	Lovington	1951, 1952, 1957, 1958, 1960, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1986, 1987, 1990, 1995, 2000, 2001, 2004, 2009, 2010, 2011
3	14	Eunice	1957, 1958, 1961, 1962, 1965, 1975, 1977, 1978, 1994, 1995, 1999, 2000, 2017, 2018
4	13	Clovis	1960, 1973, 1977, 1978, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1990, 1991, 1994, 2001
5	12	Melrose	1951, 1994, 1996, 1999, 2004, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
6	11	Jal	1959, 1960, 1967, 1970, 1971, 1974, 1980, 1983, 1992, 1994, 1999
	11	Ft. Sumner	1995, 1997, 1998, 2001, 2002, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2017
8	9	Carrizozo	1960, 1961, 1963, 1964, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1976
	9	Hagerman	1974, 1975, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1991, 2000, 2009, 2013
	9	Animas	1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 2017, 2018
10	8	Mayfield	1971, 1995, 1996, 1998, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2010
	8	Santa Rosa	1955, 1993, 1996, 1998, 2007, 2010, 2011, 2012
	8	Las Cruces	1959, 1975, 1999, 2000, 2002, 2008, 2012, 2013

* Artesia has won more state championships than any other school in the United States since 1950. They rank 3rd all together but the others won most of theirs prior to 1950.

MOST STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME APPEARANCES (State Championship Playoffs started in 1953)

Rk.	No.	School	Years
1	35	Artesia	1954, 1957, 1959, 1964, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1978, 1980, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1987, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2003, 2004, 2006, 2007, 2010, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
2	23	Eunice	1956, 1957, 1958, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1969, 1975, 1977, 1978, 1992, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1999, 2000, 2011, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
3	22	Lovington	1957, 1958, 1960, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1972, 1986, 1987, 1989, 1990, 1994, 1995, 2000, 2001, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011
	22	Clovis	1960, 1973, 1977, 1978, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1997, 2001, 2004, 2005, 2007
5	20	Jal	1959, 1960, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1977, 1980, 1983, 1985, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1996, 1999
	20	Melrose	1951, 1962, 1972, 1986, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1998, 1999, 2003, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
7	18	Mayfield	1971, 1972, 1976, 1987, 1995, 1996, 1998, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2014
8	16	Goddard	1967, 1989, 1991, 1993, 1994, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2002, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013
	16	Ft. Sumner	1953, 1954, 1995, 1997, 1998, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2011, 2015, 2016, 2017
	16	Santa Rosa	1955, 1982, 1989, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 2002, 2004, 2006, 2007, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2018

MOST CAREER WINS IN NEW MEXICO

Rk.	Wins	Coach	Schools	Yrs (period)	Record
1	335	Eric Roanhaus	Clovis	39 (1978-16)	343-141-5
2	310	James Bradley, Sr.	Mayfield/Roswell/Mayfield	31 (1965-05)	310-91-9
3	305	Bill Gentry	Highland/Eldorado	38 (1958-95)	305-102-5
4	293	Cooper Henderson	Ruidoso/Artesia	32 (1984-15)	293-103-1
5	230	Travis Lee	Hot Springs/Lordsburg/Silver	42 (1970-11)	230-204-3
6	212	Sam Jernigan	Ft. Sumner/Goddard	24 (1987, 1991-13)	212-83-0
7	202	Frank Ortiz	Santa Rosa	24 (1985-08)	202-72-0
8	187	Gerald Burns	Dexter/Eunice/Grants/ Carrizozo/Capitan/Eunice	34 (1972-10)	187-153-6
	187	Louis Baisa	Lordsburg	27 (1990-16)	187-112-0
10	171	Ralph Bowyer	Grants/Belen/Carlsbad	29 (1937-65)	171-107-10

MOST CAREER WINS AT ONE NEW MEXICO SCHOOL

Rk.	Wins	Coach	School	Yrs (period)	Record
1	335	Eric Roanhaus	Clovis	39 (1978-16)	343-141-5
2	245	Bill Gentry	Highland	31 (1958-88)	245-82-5
3	238	Cooper Henderson	Artesia	26 (1989-15)	238-84-0
4	207	Sam Jernigan	Goddard	23 (1991-2013)	210-79-0
5	202	Frank Ortiz	Santa Rosa	24 (1985-08)	202-72-0
6	191	Travis Lee	Hot Springs	34 (1970-82, 91-2011)	191-167-1
7	188	James Bradley, Sr.	Mayfield	20 (1965-72, 1994-05)	188-47-7
8	187	Louis Baisa	Lordsburg	27 (1990-16)	187-112-0

MOST YEARS AS HEAD COACH IN NEW MEXICO (400 Club)

Rk.	Yrs	Coach	Schools
1	41	Paul "Babe" Parenti	Albuquerque St. Marys (1927-42, 44-66), St. Pius (1968-69)
2	41	Travis Lee	Hot Springs (1970-82, 1991-2011), Lordsburg (1984-88), Silver (1989-90)
3	38	Carl "Bill" Gentry	Highland (1958-88), Eldorado (1989-95)



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MOST STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Rk.	Titles	Coach	Schools	Years
1	15	Cooper Henderson	Ruidoso, Artesia	1985-15
2	10	Eric Roanhaus	Clovis	1971-01
3	7	James Bradley, Sr.	Mayfield, Roswell	1971-05
	7	Billy Henson	Animas	1984-90
	7	Mike Phipps	Artesia	1974-83
6	6	Ralph Bowyer	Carlsbad	1950-62
	6	Jim Miller	Las Cruces	1998-12
8	5	Mario Martinez	Ft. Sumner	1995-02
	5	Tom Grubber	Eunice	1975-81
	5	L.G. Henderson	Artesia	1964-69

MOST GAMES AS HEAD COACH IN NEW MEXICO

Rk.	Games	Coach	Schools
1	485	Eric Roanhaus	Clovis (1978-2016)
2	437	Travis Lee	Hot Springs (1970-82, 1991-11), Lordsburg (1984-88), Silver (1989-90)
3	412	Carl "Bill" Gentry	Highland (1958-88), Eldorado (1989-95)
4	407	James Bradley, Sr.	Mayfield (1965-72, 1995-05), Roswell (1980-94)
5	398	Cooper Henderson	Ruidoso, Artesia (1984-15)

BEST WINNING PERCENTAGE (MINIMUM OF FIVE YEARS)

Rk.	%	Coach	Schools	Record
1	.850	Bernie Laabs	Carrizozo (1959-66)	63-11-1
2	.842	Brad Hirsch	Aztec (2004-11)	85-16
3	.816	Michael Bradley	Mayfield (2006-2013)	84-19
4	.814	Billy Henson	Capitan/Animas/Silver/Clayton (1975-95)	145-32-2
5	.800	Coot Pyle	Deming (1931-38)	57-13-3

CONSECUTIVE STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Rk.	No.	School	Years
1	7*	Animas	1984-90
2	5	Clovis	1981-85
3	4	Artesia	1966-69
	4	Carrizozo	1969-72
	4	Ft. Sumner	2005-08
6	3	11 tied with 3 each	

* 7th in NFHS Record Book

BEST SCORING DEFENSE AVERAGE (SINCE 1950)

Rk.	Avg.	School	Year
1	1.2	Cuba	1980
2	1.3	Reserve	1981
3	1.3	Ruidoso	1955
4	1.6	Texico	2003
5	1.6	La Cueva	2004
6	2.0	Roy	1967
7	2.0	Manual	1959
8	2.0	Highland	1963
9	2.4	Dulce	1972
10	2.5	Melrose	1986

CONSECUTIVE DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS

Rk.	No.	School	Years
1	11	Silver	2004-14
2	10	Navajo Miss.	1968-77
	10	Ft. Sumner	1999-08
4	8	Silver	1978-85
	8	Clovis	1975-83

MOST CONSECUTIVE DISTRICT WINS

Rk.	No.	School	Years
1	35	Silver	1978-85
2	33	Silver	2004-14
3	32	Highland	1962-67
4	30	Bloomfield	2005-10
5	29	Raton	1987-94

MOST POINTS IN A GAME BY ONE TEAM (100 POINT CLUB)

Rk.	Pts.	School	Year
1	112	Deming vs. Tularosa	1925
2	101	Albuquerque vs. Santa Fe	1916
	101	Texico vs. Loving	2008
4	100	Clayton vs. Springer	1924

MOST CONSECUTIVE WINNING SEASONS

Rk.	No.	School	Years
1	23	Artesia	1949-71
2	21	Highland	1962-82
3	21	Mayfield	1994-14
4	20	Ft. Sumner	1993-12
5	18	Kirtland Central	1960-77

MOST POINTS IN A SEASON

Rk.	Pts.	School	Year
1	699	Hatch Valley	2004
2	657	Aztec	2010
3	644	Belen	2009
4	641	Cleveland	2011
5	637	Lovington	2010
6	635	Estancia	2015
7	633	Aztec	2008
8	628	Aztec	2011
9	625	Escalante	2012
10	612	Artesia	2007

OVERTIME PERIODS IN A GAME

Rk.	No.	Schools (Pts)	Year
1	4	Ruidoso (62) vs. St. Michael's (56)	2002
2	3	NMML (42) vs. Portales (36)	1997
	3	Lovington (31) vs. St. Michael's (24)	2008



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HIGHEST SCORING AVERAGE IN A SEASON

Rk.	Avg.	School	Year
1	53.8	Hatch Valley	2004
2	50.5	Aztec	2010
3	49.5	Belen	2009
4	49.3	Valencia	2011
5	49.3	Cleveland	2011
6	49.2	Capitan	2006
7	48.8	Estancia	2015
8	48.7	Aztec	2008
9	48.5	Hobbs	2017
10	48.3	Aztec	2011

LEAST POINTS ALLOWED IN A SEASON SINCE 1940

Rk.	Pts.	School	Year
1	0	Menaul	1941
2	12	Cuba	1980
3	13	Reserve	1981
	13	Ruidoso	1955
5	15	Carlsbad	1946
6	19	Texico	2003
7	20	Deming	1941
	20	Menaul	1959
9	21	La Cueva	2004
10	22	Highland	1963

MOST POINTS SCORED IN A GAME BY BOTH TEAMS (11-MAN)

Rk.	Pts.	Schools (Pts)	Year
1	130	Roswell (76) vs Lovington (54)	2019
2	129	Academy (89) vs. Taos (40)	2011
3	128	Valencia (82) vs. Grants (46)	2011
4	124	Deming (124) vs. Tularosa (0)	1923
5	119	Montrose (69) vs. Aztec (50)	1990
6	118	Ruidoso (62) vs. St. Michael's (56)	2001
7	116	Aztec (61) vs. Artesia (55)	2012

MOST WINS 1950-2018

Rk.	Wins	School
1	584	Artesia
2	524	Clovis
3	477	Highland
4	437	Aztec
5	430	Las Cruces
6	414	Mayfield
7	412	Lovington
8	410	Kirtland Central
9	398	Roswell
10	391	Carlsbad

OLDEST RIVALRIES IN GAMES PLAYED

Rk.	Gms.	Schools	Years
1	108	Artesia-Roswell	1912-2017
2	102	Aretesia-Carlsbad	1927-2018
2	99	Clayton-Raton	1920-2017
3	98	Deming-Silver	1912-2017
4	86	Capitan-Carrizozo	1927-2010
	86	St. Michael's-Santa Fe	1931-2017

LONGEST WINNING STREAK

Rk.	Gms.	School	Years
1	69	Animas	1985-90
2	34	Gadsden	1952-56
3	29	Santa Rosa	2011-13
4	28	La Cueva	2003-05
	28	Mayfield	2005-07
6	25	Hatch Valley	2003-05
	25	Eunice	2017-18
8	24	St. Michael's	1936-38
9	23	Highland	1962-64
	23	Clovis	1932-34
	23	Roswell	1920-23
	23	Capitan	1951-53
	23	St. Michael's	2012-13

LONGEST UNBEATEN STREAK INCLUDES TIES

Rk.	Gms.	School	Year
1	72	Animas	1985-90
2	34	Gadsden	1952-56
3	30	Capitan	1951-53
4	29	Santa Rosa	2011-13
5	28	La Cueva	2003-05
	28	Mayfield	2005-07
7	26	Menaul	1957-60
	26	Carlsbad	1961-63
	26	Artesia	1967-69
10	25	Hatch Valley	2003-05
	25	Eunice	2017-18

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

POINTS SCORED IN A GAME

Rk.	Pts.	Player
1	77	Ernie Perea (Los Lunas) vs. Wingate (11/11/67)
2	59	Joe Chopito (Laguna-Acoma) vs. Ganado Mission, AZ (9/29/67)
3	48	Greg Lucero (Bernalillo) vs. Taos (10/27/06)
	48	Isaiah Ortiz, Del Norte vs Los Alamos (11/2/18)
5	47	Robert Lee Williams (Albuquerque) vs. Gallup (9/29/67)
6	46	Gavin Trevino (Jal) vs Hagerman (10/19/18)
7	42	Ronnie Daniels (La Cueva) vs. Manzano (11/5/2010)
	42	David Paterson (Artesia) vs. Hobbs (9/3/93)
	42	Owen Smaulding (Albuquerque) vs. Santa Fe (11/7/1916)
	42	Reynaldo Atencio, Escalante vs. Questa (10/26/2012)
	42	Saul Trujillo, Hatch Valley vs. Socorro (10/14/2016)
	42	Zeke Tapia, Estancia vs. McCurdy (11/18/16)

POINTS SCORED IN A SEASON

Rk.	Pts.	Player	School	Year
1	322	Reynaldo Atencio	Escalante	2012
2	283	Saul Trujillo	Hatch Valley	2016
3	274	Zeke Tapia	Estancia	2016
4	270	Dominic Montano	Escalante	2015
5	252	Ronnie Daniels	La Cueva	2010
6	240	Adam Lujan	Estancia	2015
7	232	Brian Beckham	Jal	1985
8	226	Lance Fikany	Ft. Sumner	2002
9	224	Josh Foley	Rio Rancho	2016
10	222	Mickey Reeves	Roswell	1987

POINTS SCORED IN A CAREER

Rk.	Pts.	Player	School	Years
1	916	David McGee	Laguna-Acoma	2010-14
2	640	Reynaldo Atencio	Escalante	2010-13
3	636	Ronnie Daniels	La Cueva	2007-10
4	608	Dominic Montona	Escalante	2012-15
5	607	Sal Gonzales	Gadsden	1952-56
5	595	Saul Trujillo	Hatch Valley	2014-17
6	583	Mickey Reeves	Roswell	1985-88
7	530	Lance Fikany	Ft. Sumner	1999-02
8	508	Rueben Neibias	Animas	1984-86
9	501	Benny Madrid	Ft. Sumner	1992-95
10	500	Zeke Tapia	Estancia	2014-16

TOUCHDOWNS SCORED IN A GAME

Rk.	No.	Players
1	11	Ernie Perea, Los Lunas vs. Wingate (11/11/1967)
2	8	Davis McGee, Laguna-Acoma vs Navajo Prep (8/29/14)
	8	Isaiah Ortiz, Del Norte vs Los Alamos (11/2/18)
4	7	Ronnie Daniels, La Cueva vs. Manzano (11/5/2010)
	7	Robert Lee Williams, Albuquerque vs. Gallup (9/29/67)
	7	David Patterson, Artesia vs. Hobbs (9/3/1993)
	7	Owen Smaulding, Albuquerque vs. Santa Fe (11/7/1916)
	7	Max Suazo, Taos vs. Espanola (9/23/2011)
	7	Greg Lucero, Bernalillo vs. Taos (10/27/2006)
	7	Reynaldo Atencio, Escalante vs. Questa (10/26/2012)
	7	Gavin Trevino (Jal) vs Hagerman (10/19/18)



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TOUCHDOWNS SCORED IN A SEASON

Rk.	No.	Player	School	Year
1	51	David McGee	Laguna-Acoma	2013
2	49	Reynaldo Atencio	Escalante	2012
3	44	Zeke Tapia	Estancia	2016
4	42	Ronnie Daniels	La Cueva	2010
	42	David McGee	Laguna-Acoma	2014
	42	Dominic Montano	Escalante	2015
7	38	Adam Lujan	Estancia	2015
8	37	Brian Beckham	Jal	1985
	37	Lance Fikany	Ft. Sumner	2002
10	36	Paul Ragle	Animas	1998
	36	Dustin Walton	Raton	2009

TOUCHDOWNS SCORED IN A CAREER

Rk.	No.	Player	School	Years
1	131	David McGee	Laguna-Acoma	2010-14
2	106	Ronnie Daniels	La Cueva	2007-10
3	95	Reynaldo Atencio	Escalante	2010-13
4	92	Dominic Montano	Escalante	2012-15
5	87	Lance Fikany	Ft. Sumner	1999-02
6	84	Parker Johnson	Ruidoso	2011-14
7	63	Diego Casillas	Belen	2015-18
8	61	Benny Madrid	Ft. Sumner	1992-95
	61	Stephen Sanchez	Santa Rosa	2015-18
10	57	Robert Lee Williams	Albuquerque	1965-67

MOST RUSHING YARDS IN A GAME

Rk.	Yds	Player	Game
1	504	Cesar Quintana	Estancia vs Capitan (9/19/14)
2	459	Adam Lujan	Estancia vs Capitan (9/24/15)
3	446	Greg Lucero	Bernalillo vs. Taos (10/27/06)
4	430	Isaiah Ortiz	Del Norte vs Los Alamos (11/2/18)
5	428	Dalton Bowles	Goddard vs Artesia (10/26/18)
6	419	Dominic Montano	Escalante vs. Ft. Sumner (10/9/15)
7	406	Zeke Tapia	Estancia vs. McCurdy (10/15/16)
8	398	Dominic J. Martinez	Gallup vs. Miyamura (11/9/2012)
9	384	Josh Thomas	Estancia vs. Escalante (11/9/18)
10	382	Matt Sandoval	Volcano Vista vs. Valley (9/26/08)

MOST RUSHING YARDS IN A SEASON

Rk.	Yds	Player	School	Year
1	3,024	Ronnie Daniels	La Cueva	2010
2	2,778	Reynaldo Atencio	Escalante	2012
3	2,745	Zeke Tapia	Estancia	2016
4	2,679	Diego Casillas	Belen	2017
5	2,655	David McGee	Laguna-Acoma	2013
6	2,378	Lance Fikany	Ft. Sumner	2002
7	2,368	Jason Arsonault	Gallup	1990
8	2,306	Timmy Smith	Hobbs	1981
9	2,261	Ronnie Daniels	La Cueva	2009
10	2,255	Dominic Montano	Escalante	2015

MOST RUSHING YARDS IN A CAREER

Rk.	Yds	Player	School	Years
1	7,170	David McGee	Laguna-Acoma	2010-14
2	7,068	Ronnie Daniels	La Cueva	2007-10
3	5,711	Lance Fikany	Ft. Sumner	1999-02
4	5,408	Diego Casillas	Belen	2015-18
5	4,946	Reynaldo Atencio	Escalante	2010-13
6	4,843	Dominic Montano	Escalante	2012-15
7	4,478	Russell Disch	St. Michael's	2007-10
8	4,466	Zeke Tapia	Estancia	2014-16
9	4,431	Mike Hathcock	Aztec	2005-08
10	4,325	Stephen Sanchez	Santa Rosa	2015-18

MOST RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS IN A GAME

Rk.	No.	Player	Game
1	11	Ernie Perea	Los Lunas vs. Wingate (11/11/1967)
2	8	Isaiah Ortiz	Del Norte vs Los Alamos (11/2/18)
3	7	Ronnie Daniels	La Cueva vs. Manzano (11/5/2010)
	7	Greg Lucero	Bernalillo vs. Taos (10/27/06)
	7	Reynaldo Atencio	Escalante vs. Questa (10/26/2012)
	7	Zeke Tapia	Estancia vs. McCurdy (11/18/16)
7	6	Jamal Brown	St. Michael's vs. Capital (9/14/2002)
	6	Robbie Castillo	St. Michael's vs. Pojoaque (11/8/2003)
	6	Ronnie Daniels	La Cueva vs. Albuquerque (11/5/2009)
	6	Ibrahim Maiga	Socorro vs. Hot Springs (10/21/2011)
	6	Louis Howard	Lovington vs. Tucumcari (1996)
	6	Manuel Robles	Clovis vs. Mayfield (12/7/2009)
	6	Matt Sandoval	Volcano Vista vs. Valley (9/26/2008)
	6	Adam Lujan	Estancia vs. Eunice (12/4/2015)
	6	Gavin Trevino	Jal vs. Hagerman (10/19/18)

MOST RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS IN A SEASON

Rk.	No.	Player	School	Year
1	46	Reynaldo Atencio	Escalante	2012
2	41	Zeke Tapia	Estancia	2016
3	40	Ronnie Daniels	La Cueva	2010
4	36	Adam Lujan	Estancia	2015
5	34	Lance Fikany	Ft. Sumner	2002
6	33	Dontrell Moore	Roswell	2000
	33	Brian Mead	Clovis	2006
	33	Diego Casillas	Belen	2017
9	31	Ronnie Daniels	La Cueva	2009
10	28	Daniel Ortega	St. Michael's	2013
	28	Gavin Trevino	Jal	2018

MOST RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS IN A CAREER

Rk.	No.	Player	School	Years
1	96	Ronnie Daniels	La Cueva	2007-10
2	86	Reynaldo Atencio	Escalante	2010-13
3	79	Lance Fikany	Ft. Sumner	1999-02
4	68	Zeke Tapia	Estancia	2014-16
5	60	Diego Casillas	Belen	2015-18
6	54	Russell Disch	St. Michael's	2007-10
7	53	Brian Mead	Clovis	2004-06
8	50	Mike Hatchcock	Aztec	2005-08
	50	Stephen Sanchez	Santa Rosa	2015-18
10	49	Gavin Trevino	Jal	2016-18

MOST PASSING YARDS IN A GAME

Rk.	Yds	Player	Game
1	629	Gavin Hardison	Hobbs vs Onate (10/20/2017)
2	615	Gavin Hardison	Hobbs vs Artesia (9/1/2017)
3	588	Gavin Hardison	Hobbs vs Mayfield (10/28/2017)
2	567	Easton Bruere	Rio Rancho vs. Eldorado (11/28/14)
3	546	Brett Henson	Hatch Valley vs. Menaul (10/17/2003)
4	534	Gavin Hardison	Hobbs vs Centennial (9/22/17)
5	521	Brycson King	Aztec vs. Durango, CO. (2010)
6	511	Ryan Henderson	Artesia vs. Ruidoso (2000)
7	498	Tyler Almager	Eunice vs. Mesilla Valley (9/16/2011)
8	494	Marcus Crawford	Aztec vs. Miyamura (9/20/2013)
9	480	Caden Jameson	Lovington vs. Moriarty (2002)
10	478	Tyler Baker	Rio Rancho vs. Hobbs (2009)
	478	Easton Bruere	Rio Rancho vs. Atrisco (10/3/14)

MOST PASSING YARDS IN A SEASON

Rk.	Yds	Player	School	Year
1	5,347	Gavin Hardison	Hobbs	2017
2	4,914	Brett Henson	Hatch Valley	2003
3	4,604	Brett Henson	Hatch Valley	2004
4	4,567	Easton Bruere	Rio Rancho	2014
5	4,269	Brycson King	Aztec	2008
6	4,176	Brycson King	Aztec	2010
7	3,960	Tyler Baker	Rio Rancho	2009
8	3,885	Paul Maupin	Artesia	1996
9	3,824	Adam Lucero	Aztec	2011
10	3,738	Ryley Hegarty	Aztec	2005



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MOST PASSING YARDS IN A CAREER

Rk.	Yds	Player	School	Years
1	12,124*	Brett Henson	Hatch Valley	2002-04
2	10,644	Brycson King	Aztec	2007-10
3	10,204	Easton Bruere	Rio Rancho	2012-14
4	9,942	Ryley Hegarty	Aztec	2003-06
5	8,678	Gavin Hardison	Hobbs	2015-17
6	8,312	Alejandro Ramos	Hagerman	2011-14
7	8,033	Dustin Walton	Raton	2007-10
8	8,012	Jude Segura	Fort Sumner	2015-18
9	7,790	Adam Lucero	Aztec	2009-12
10	7,680	Landry Jones	Artesia	2005-07

* 12th in National Federation (NFHS) Record book

MOST PASSING TOUCHDOWNS THROWN IN A GAME

Rk.	No.	Player	Game
1	9*	Brett Henson	Hatch Valley vs. Zuni (11/8/2003)
2	8	Johnny Plowman	Lordsburg vs. Mesilla Valley (10/30/15)
	8	Brett Henson	Hatch Valley vs. Col. Juarez Academia (9/26/03)
	8	Brett Henson	Hatch Valley vs. Laguna-Acoma (10/22/04)
	8	Gavin Hardison	Hobbs vs Centennial (9/22/17)
	8	Gavin Hardison	Hobbs vs Mayfield (10/28/17)
7	7	Landry Jones	Artesia vs. Goddard (12/8/2007)
	7	Brett Henson	Hatch Valley vs. Santa Teresa (10/8/04)
	7	Brett Henson	Hatch Valley vs. Dexter (11/6/2004)
	7	Marcus Crawford	Aztec vs. Miyamura (9/20/2013)
	7	Marcus Crawford	Aztec vs. Kirtland Central (9/12/2014)
	7	Easton Bruere	Rio Rancho vs. Clovis (9/27/2013)
	7	Gavin Hardison	Hobbs vs Artesia (9/1/2017)
	7	Gavin Hardison	Hobbs vs Piedra Vista (11/11/17)

* 8th in NFHS Record book

MOST PASSING TOUCHDOWNS THROWN IN A SEASON

Rk.	No.	Player	School	Year
1	70**	Brett Henson	Hatch Valley	2004
2	64	Brett Henson	Hatch Valley	2003
3	59	Gavin Hardison	Hobbs	2017
4	52	Brycson King	Aztec	2008
5	49	Easton Bruere	Rio Rancho	2014
6	48	Brycson King	Aztec	2010
7	45	Landry Jones	Artesia	2006
8	44	Landry Jones	Artesia	2007
	44	Paul Maupin	Artesia	1996
	44	Jude Segura	Fort Sumner	2016

** 4th in NFHS Record book

MOST PASSING TOUCHDOWNS THROWN IN A CAREER

Rk.	No.	Player	School	Years
1	166***	Brett Henson	Hatch Valley	2002-04
2	133	Jude Segura	Fort Sumner	2015-18
3	124	Brycson King	Aztec	2007-10
4	110	Ryley Hagarty	Aztec	2003-06
5	108	Easton Bruere	Rio Rancho	2012-14
6	106	Alejandro Ramos	Hagerman	2011-14
7	96	Landry Jones	Artesia	2005-07
8	93	Gavin Hardison	Hobbs	2015-17
9	89	Dustin Walton	Raton	2007-10
10	87	Johnny Plowman	Lordsburg	2013-16

*** 5th in NFHS Record book

MOST RECEIVING YARDS IN A GAME

Rk.	Yds	Player	Games
1	351	Aaron Molina	Valley vs. Manzano (10/4/2013)
2	337	Max Suazo Jr.	Taos vs. Abq. Academy (9/8/2011)
3	329	David Patterson	Artesia vs. Hobbs (1993)
4	326	Josh Harris	Aztec vs. Miyamura (9/20/2013)
5	309	Max Suazo	Taos vs. Santa Fe (9/30/2011)
6	284	Adam Shapiro	Rio Rancho vs. West Mesa (10/16/09)
7	278	Jake Taylor	Aztec vs. Farmington (10/16/2015)
8	265	Eric Varnell	Piedra Vista vs. Abq. Academy (9/9/2006)
9	263	Joey Fernandez	St. Michael's vs Moriarty (11/18/16)
10	261	Aeneas Reynolds	Las Cruces vs. Centennial (9/26/2014)

MOST RECEIVING YARDS IN A SEASON

Rk.	Yds	Player	School	Year
1	1,767	Max Suazo	Taos	2011
2	1,764	Alex Alanis	Hatch	2004
3	1,672	Adam Shapiro	Rio Rancho	2009
4	1,617	Alec Finney	Hobbs	2017
4	1,582	Kirk Robbins	Artesia	1996
5	1,548	Josh Harris	Aztec	2014
6	1,529	Parker Johnson	Ruidoso	2014
7	1,437	Eric Varnell	Piedra Vista	2006
8	1,415	Joey Fernandez	St. Michael's	2017
9	1,414	Tylin Hirsch	Aztec	2010
10	1,366	Ty Atencio	Aztec	2011

MOST RECEIVING YARDS IN A CAREER

Rk.	Yds	Player	School	Years
1	4,718	Parker Johnson	Ruidoso	2011-14
2	3,755	Emery Coleman	Tularosa	2007-10
3	3,454	Coly Hockett	Artesia	2005-07
4	3,430	Roy Hackey	Hatch	2003-05
5	3,129	Max Suazo	Taos	2009-11
6	2,631	Joey Fernandez	St. Michael's	2014-17
7	2,629	Derrick Valdez	Raton	2007-10
8	2,620	Ty Atencio	Aztec	2008-11
9	2,581	Scott Poe	Artesia	2004-06
10	2,567	Josh Harris	Aztec	2012-14

MOST RECEPTIONS IN A GAME

Rk.	Rec.	Player	Games
1	18	Aeneas Reynolds	Las Cruces vs. Centennial (9/26/2014)
2	17	Jake Taylor	Aztec vs. Farmington (10/16/2015)
3	15	Dylan Sutherland	Aztec vs. Duraango, CO (9/5/14)
4	14	Max Suazo Jr.	Taos vs. Abq. Academy (9/8/2011)
5	14	Roy Hackey	Hatch vs. Hot Springs (10/3/03)
6	13	John McCasland	Piedra Vista vs. Durango, CO (9/12/10)
13	13	Jesus Acosta	Artesia vs. Moriarty (2002)
13	13	Kano Brown	Albuquerque vs. Highland (11/5/1988)
13	13	Alejandro Gonzales	Las Cruces vs. Alamogordo (10/5/06)
13	13	Jerie Magnant	Rio Rancho vs. Aztec (9/11/2009)
13	13	Adam Shapiro	Rio Rancho vs. Manzano (10/1/2009)
13	13	Semaj Cotton	Hobbs vs Cleveland (11/18/17)
13	13	Soverign Anthony	Hobbs vs Artesia (8/30/19)

MOST RECEPTIONS IN A SEASON

Rk.	Rec.	Player	School	Year
1	98	Jake Taylor	Aztec	2015
	98	Gabriel Dorame	Ruidoso	2018
3	91	Tylin Hirsch	Aztec	2010
4	89	Parker Johnson	Ruidoso	2014
5	88	Cory Marcum	Aztec	2005
6	85	Ty Atencio	Aztec	2011
7	84	Kirk Robbins	Artesia	1996
8	83	Scott Poe	Artesia	2006
9	82	Alex Alanis	Hatch	2004
10	81	Jerie Magnant	Rio Rancho	2009
	81	Derrick Williams	Aztec	2008
	81	Alec Finney	Hobbs	2017

MOST RECEPTIONS IN A CAREER

Rk.	Rec.	Player	School	Years
1	277	Parker Johnson	Ruidoso	2011-14
2	222	Gabriel Dorame	Ruidoso	2016-18
3	201	Janti Abaza	Raton	2007-09
4	188	Roy Hackey	Hatch	2003-05
5	181	Ty Atencio	Aztec	2008-11
6	171	Tylin Hirsch	Aztec	2007-10
7	166	Derrick Valdez	Raton	2007-10
8	160	Scott Poe	Artesia	2004-06
9	153	Cory Marcum	Aztec	2003-05
10	145	Alec Finney	Hobbs	2015-17



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MOST TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS IN A GAME

Rk.	Rec.	Player	Games
1	5	Josh Harris	Aztec vs. Kirtland Central (9/12/2014)
	5	Tyris Newton	Shiprock vs. Wingate (10-21-17)
3	4	Clinton Black	Lovington vs. Artesia (1946)
	4	Kano Brown	Albuquerque vs. Valley (11/14/1987)
	4	J.R.Helms	Aztec vs. Gallup (2006)
	4	Tylin Hirsch	Aztec vs. Belen (2009)
	4	Tylin Hirsch	Aztec vs. Los Lunas (2010)
	4	Joe Kinman	Lovington vs. West Las Vegas (1968)
	4	Jerie Magnant	Rio Rancho vs. Cleveland (2009)
	4	Chad Spitzer	Hot Springs vs. Deming (2000)
	4	Kevin Thomas	Farmington vs. Artesia (2001)
	4	Anthony Ratliff	Santa Fe vs. Valley (11/10/2007)
	4	Maz Suazo Jr	Taos vs. Abq. Academy (9/8/2011)
	4	Ty Atencio	Aztec vs. Miyamura (2011)
	4	Antonio Gallegos	Questa vs. Navajo Pine (10/31/2014)
	4	Aeneas Reynolds	Las Cruces vs. Centennial (9/26/2014)
	4	Josh Harris	Aztec vs. Raton (9/13/2013)
	4	Josh Harris	Aztec vs. Miyamura (9/20/2013)
	4	Josh Harris	Aztec vs. Del Norte (9/19/2014)
	4	Caleb May	Lordsburg vs. Escalante (11/5/2016)
	4	Alec Finney	Hobbs vs Piedra Vista (11/11/17)

MOST TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS IN A SEASON

Rk.	Rec.	Player	School	Year
1	27	Josh Harris	Aztec	2014
2	24	Alec Finney	Hobbs	2017
3	23	Ty Atencio	Aztec	2011
4	22	Eric Varnell	Piedra Vista	2006
5	20	Tylin Hirsch	Aztec	2010
	20	Tervor Hammargren	Aztec	2008
	20	Max Suazo	Taos	2011
8	19	Brian Davis	Ruidoso	1985
9	17	Aaron Woods	Lordsburg	1994
	17	Jacob Equivel	Lordsburg	2014
	17	Michael Johnson	Mesilla Valley	2017

MOST TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS IN A CAREER

Rk.	Rec.	Player	School	Years
1	50	Parker Johnson	Ruidoso	2011-14
2	40	Roy Hackey	Hatch	2003-05
3	39	Ty Atencio	Aztec	2008-11
	39	Josh Harris	Aztec	2012-14
	39	Alec Finney	Hobbs	2015-17
6	35	Max Suazo	Taos	2009-11
7	34	Jacob Esquivel	Lordsburg	2013-16
8	33	Eric Varnell	Piedra Vista	2004-06
9	32	Tylin Hirsch	Aztec	2007-10
	32	Michael Johnson	Mesilla Valley	2015-18

MOST FIELD GOALS MADE IN A GAME (Min. 4)

Rk.	FGM	Player	Game
1	9*	Dominic Gutierrez	Menaul vs. Newcomb (9/21/1990)
2	5	Erik Hinterbichler	Albuquerque vs. Gallup (10/27/2001)
3	4	Erik Hinterbichler	Albuquerque vs. Rio Grande (8/31/2001)

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MOST FIELD GOALS MADE IN A SEASON (Min. 10)

Rk.	FGM	Player	School	Year
1	17	Erik Hinterbichler	Albuquerque	2001
2	13	Eddie Pena	Zuni	1979
3	12	Dominic Gutierrez	Menaul	1990
4	10	Clinton Greathouse	Artesia	1998

MOST FIELD GOALS MADE IN A CAREER (Min. 10)

Rk.	FGM	Player	School	Years
1	28	Erik Hinterbichler	Albuquerque	1999-01
2	22	Rafael Herrera	Lovington	2007-09
3	15	Dominic Gutierrez	Menaul	1988-90
4	13	Aaron Ochoa	Lovington	1984-86
	13	Eddie Pena	Zuni	1979
	13	Chris Price	Piedra Vista	2002-04
7	11	Nash Phillips	Abq. Academy	2008-10
	11	Matt Blea	St. Michael's	1984-86

LONGEST FIELD GOAL MADE (50-yard Club)

Rk.	Yds	Player	Game
1	58	Lewis Reagon	Tucumcari vs. Lovington (10/23/1981)
	58	Scottie Gallardo	Alamogordo vs. Hobbs (10/10/2007)
3	56	Adam Richards	Hobbs vs. Clovis (10/27/2006)
	56	Santo Coppola	St. Michael's vs. Capital (10/5/2012)
5	55	Jessie Darnell	Lordsburg vs. Santa Rosa (11/25/2006)
	55	Clinton Greathouse	Artesia vs. Las Cruces (1998)
	55	Erik Hinterbichler	Albuquerque vs. Del Norte (9/21/2001)
	55	Marcus Muldez	Manzano vs. Rio Grande (10/15/1994)
9	54	Gabriel DeHoyos	Artesia vs. Ruidoso (1997)
10	52	Erik Hinterbichler	Albuquerque vs. Belen (9/14/2001)

MOST POINTS KICKED IN A GAME

Rk.	Pts	Player	Game
1	29*	Dominic Gutierrez	Menaul vs. Newcomb 9/21/90)
2	17	Rafael Herrera	Lovington vs. Ruidoso (11/6/2009)
3	17	Erik Hinterbichler	Albuquerque vs. Rio Grande (8/31/2001)
4	16	Erik Hinterbichler	Albuquerque vs. Gallup (10/27/2001)
5	15	Steffan Carey	Aztec vs. Piedra Vista (2004)

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MOST POINTS KICKED IN A SEASON

Rk.	Pts	Player	School	Year
1	96	Rafael Herrera	Lovington	2009
2	90	Enrique Ramirez	Hobbs	2017
3	79	Dominic Gutierrez	Menaul	1990
4	77	Nash Phillips	Abq. Academy	2010
5	75	Steffan Carey	Aztec	2005
6	72	Nash Phillips	Abq. Academy	2009

MOST POINTS KICKED IN A CAREER

Rk.	Pts	Player	School	Years
1	206	Nash Phillips	Abq. Academy	2008-11
2	187	Rafael Herrera	Lovington	2007-09
3	147	Travis Masher	Ruidoso	2012-14
4	142	Steffan Carey	Aztec	2004-05
	142	Josua Maes	Highland	1998-01

MOST TACKLES IN A GAME

Rk.	Tackles	Player	Game
1	26	Darren Chavez	Santa Rosa vs Texico (10/7/2016)
2	25	David Romero	St. Mikes vs. Academy (9/16/1972)
	25	Ryan Allison	Escalante vs Jal (11/4/17)
4	23	Isaac Gonzales	Valencia vs. Belen (10/29/2010)
5	22	Hank Strauss	Aztec vs. Belen (2010)
6	21	Nick Fierro	Aztec vs. Kirtland (11/2/2007)
7	20	Hank Strauss	Aztec vs. Belen (2009)
	20	Damian Soto	Jal vs. Estancia (9/21/18)
9	19	Mike Raney	Aztec vs. Durango, CO (2005)
	19	Ben Livingston	Aztec vs. Kirtland (11/2/2007)
	19	Bob Koski	Highland vs. Rio Grande (9/22/1990)

MOST TACKLES IN A SEASON

Rk.	Tackles	Player	School	Year
1	164	Jake Harrelson	Ruidoso	2014
2	151	Bob Koski	Highland	1990
3	148	Nick Fierro	Aztec	2007
	148	Gavin Walter	St. Michael's	2005
5	143	Grant Weaver	Ruidoso	2014
6	134	Hank Strauss	Aztec	2010
7	133	Ryan Allison	Escalante	2017
8	128	Kyle Waid Young	Jal	2004
9	125	Isaac Gonzales	Valencia	2010
10	123	Josh Gallegos	St. Michael's	2007

MOST TACKLES IN A CAREER

Rk.	Tackles	Player	School	Years
1	527	Darren Chavez	Santa Rosa	2015-18
2	398	Xavier Vigil	St. Michael's	2013-16
3	322	Alec Bridge	Los Alamos	2002-04
4	272	Hank Strauss	Aztec	2007-10
5	256	Cory Saxon	Aztec	2008-11
6	250	Ben Livingston	Aztec	2005-08
7	235	Stephen Sanchez	Santa Rosa	2015-18
8	231	Alex Umstead	Los Alamos	2004-06
9	231	Grant Weaver	Ruidoso	2012-14
10	222	Nick Fierro	Aztec	2005-07

MOST INTERCEPTIONS IN A GAME

Rk.	Int.	Player	Game
1	6	Elroy Chopito	Zuni (11/79)
2	4	Mike Raney	Aztec vs. Farmington (2005)
3	4	Fabian Montoya	St. Michael's vs. Los Lunas (9/22/79)
4	4	Robert C de Baca	St. Michael's vs. Hatch Valley (11/18/2006)

MOST INTERCEPTIONS IN A SEASON

Rk.	Int.	Player	School	Year
1	20	Thane Miller	Jal	1985
2	17	Sam Merlino	St. Michael's	1972
3	12	J.D. Champion	Artesia	1994
	12	Mike Raney	Aztec	2004
5	11	Kano Brown	Albuquerque	1988

MOST INTERCEPTIONS IN A CAREER

Rk.	Int.	Player	School	Years
1	34	Thane Miller	Jal	1984-86
2	25	Corey Clark	Los Alamos	2005-08
3	24	Dominic Gutierrez	Menaul	1988-90
4	21	Parker Johnson	Ruidoso	2011-14
5	19	Mike Raney	Aztec	2003-05
6	14	Kano Brown	Albuquerque	1986-88
7	12	Stephen Sanchez	Santa Rosa	2015-18

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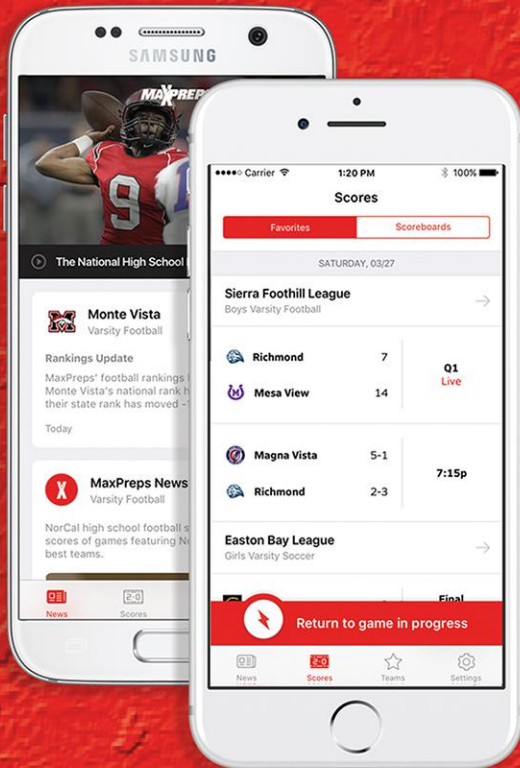
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2018 State Championship Recap

La Cueva Captures 6A Title for the First Time Since 2004



For the first time since 2004, the La Cueva Bears (13-0) hoisted the blue trophy after defeating the Cleveland Storm (12-1), 33-14 at the 2018 NMAA 6A State Football Championships. This was the fourth state football title for the Bears and the third undefeated season for La Cueva.

“We talked about it all season long that we had unfinished business after losing the championship game last year,” head coach Brandon Back said. “I thought we had a great game plan today and we executed better and can out with the victory. I’m really proud of this team and the fight they had all season.”

La Cueva scored first on their opening drive on an 8-yard touchdown run by D’andre Williams. Following the extra point, the Bears led 7-0 with 8:25 left in the first quarter. On the Storm’s first possession, Cleveland fumbled the ball after a completed pass at midfield, as the Bears recovered with 8:01 left in the first.

Three minutes later, quarterback Dylan Summer hit Prince Robertson on a 22-yard touchdown pass, making it 14-0 with 5:32 to go in the first quarter. The Cleveland offense was forced to punt for fourth time in the game, with 4:19 to go in first. As the first quarter ended, La Cueva held a 14-0 advantage.

The Bears added to their lead with 8:21 left in the second quarter on a 45-yard field goal by place kicker, Dominic Camacho, making the score 17-0.

The Storm, however, refused to give up and finally got on the board with a 2-yard touchdown run by Marcos Chavez with 5:28 left in the half, making it 17-7 La Cueva. The Bears responded just a minute and a half later on a 50-yard touchdown pass from Summer to Connor O’Toole, extending their lead to 24-7 with just under four minutes to play in the second quarter.

Cleveland answered with just seconds on the clock in the first half but a holding penalty negated the touchdown, as the half ended with La Cueva up 24-7.

Cleveland received the ball to start the third quarter but was forced to punt. La Cueva looked to be driving down the field to put the game out of reach but Cleveland’s Trey Ortega intercepted Summer and returned the ball 46 yards for the touchdown, pulling the Storm to within 10 at 24-14 with 7:09 left in the third.

On the Bears’ next possession, La Cueva drove the ball down deep into Cleveland territory and was forced to try a field goal to extend their lead but again the Storm came up big with a blocked field goal. The third quarter ended with La Cueva still leading 24-14.

La Cueva opened the fourth quarter with a 71-yard touchdown run by Williams to extend the lead to 31-14 over Cleveland with 11:12 left in the game. The Bears added a safety with 8:03 left in the game, following a bad snap by Cleveland on a punt, making it 33-14.

Neither team scored the remainder of the game, as La Cueva captured the 2018 NMAA 6A State Football Championship title, 33-14 over Cleveland, completing an undefeated season at 13-0.



2018 State Championship Recap

Roswell Back on Top of the Football World



For the first time since 2000, Roswell High School ended the season with the blue trophy in their hands. The Coyotes beat Los Lunas 42-6 in the Class 5A Championship game. Roswell controlled the game from the opening kickoff on their home field. The Coyotes started the game with the ball and they marched downfield on their opening drive. Senior Justin Carrasco went around the corner from 16-yards out to give Roswell a 6-0 lead with 7:33 to play in the first quarter. The Coyotes held the Tigers to a three-and-out on their first possession. The fireworks started to fly when Los Lunas punted the ball away. Speedster Jasia Reese was back to return the punt, he picked up the ball and made a few Los Lunas players miss and headed for the left sideline. Reese cut in and out of

would-be tacklers and made his way 92 yards for the score. Roswell now had a 13-0 lead.

In the second quarter, things started to fall apart for Los Lunas. Roswell's Ethan Valenzuela went 17 yards on a quarterback carry to give the Coyotes a 20-0 lead with 3:26 to go in the half. On the next possession, Los Lunas was pinned up against their own end zone and forced to punt. A bad snap forced the Tigers' kicker to step out of the back of the end zone for the safety. Roswell was up 22-0 with 2:29 left in the quarter. Los Lunas kicked the ball away to Roswell and the Coyotes were not done yet. Carrasco would carry in another short score to make it 29-0 with :57 seconds to play. Believe it or not, the scoring wasn't done. Los Lunas quarterback Kade Benavidez threw the ball right into the hands of Dominic Nava, who returned it for the score to make it 36-0. The pick-six was Nava's third interception of the half.

Each team would add a score in the second half, but all of the damage was already done in the first two quarters. Roswell won the championship by a score of 42-6. It was the first state title for Roswell head coach Jeff Lynn. The Coyotes wrapped up the year with an 11-2 record, while Los Lunas ended the season at 9-3.



2018 State Championship Recap

Taos Wins First State Football Title in School History



The Taos Tigers (12-1) captured its first state football championship in school history with a 14-7 win over the Bloomfield Bobcats (9-5) at the 2018 NMAA 4A State Football Championships. Special teams played a significant role in the games, as both of the Taos scores came on special team plays.

“I’m very lucky to be the head coach of Taos,” head coach Art Abreu said. “Bloomfield did a great job shutting down our offense today but we won the special teams phase of the game and that turned out to be the key for us today. I’m very proud of our players and happy for them and this community.”

The Tigers scored first on the opening kickoff of the game, as Jonathan Garcia took the ball 80 yards down the

field, giving Taos a quick 7-0 lead. Over the next two quarters, the defense for both teams held the opposing offense at bay and it looked as if Taos would hold a 7-0 lead going into halftime.

Then with just over two minutes to play in the second quarter, Bloomfield quarterback Rogelio Gonzales connected with wide receiver Noah Gurule on a 52-yard bomb for the Bobcats first score of the game, making it 7-7. The score remained the same going into the locker room for halftime.

In the third quarter, neither team could get anything going offensively. With about two minutes to go in the third, Bloomfield was forced to punt from their own end zone. On the snap, the Tigers’ Aidan LeBlanc shot around the corner and block the punt and teammate Noah Armijo recovered the ball in the end zone to give Taos the lead back at 14-7.

The Bobcats had one last chance to tie the game with under two minutes to play in the game with a first and goal from the Taos 2-yard line. Four straight chances to the end zone by Bloomfield failed, as the Taos defense held off the attack.

In the end, Taos hoisted the blue trophy overhead, winning 14-7 over Bloomfield in the 2018 NMAA 4A State Football Championship game.



2018 State Championship Recap

Dexter Feeling Blue Once Again



a 48-yard touchdown pass. The extra point was no good, keeping the score tied at 6-6. Dexter would regain the lead in the first quarter. With less than three minutes to go in the quarter, Amaro was scrambling, avoiding multiple Robertson defenders. He moved around long enough to find his teammate Isaac Irigoyon for the completion. The senior did the rest and found his way to the end zone. It was 34-yard touchdown combination. Again, the extra point was no good, as the Demons took a 12-6 lead. The score remained the same until the third quarter.

You could say the football program has come full circle at Dexter High School. The Demons last won a state football championship in 1997. At that time, Arturo Duran was their quarterback and David Campbell was a first-year head coach at the school. Fast forward to 2018 and Duran is a first-year head coach with Campbell as his athletic director and once again the Demons were lifting the blue trophy at the end of the season.

Dexter beat Robertson 22-12 in the Class 3A Championship game. Dexter was on the board first in the first on their home field. Less than five minutes into the game, Dexter quarterback Jarren Amaro had no one to throw to, so he scrambled to his left and headed for the end zone. Diving for the pylon, Amaro scored the first touchdown of the day. The extra point was no good, giving the Demons a 6-0 lead.

Robertson would respond with a big play once they got their hands on the ball. Senior quarterback Brandon Lucero aired it out to Antonio Padilla across the middle for

Coming out of halftime, Dexter kicked off to the Cardinals. The Robertson players let the kick bounce over them and Dexter senior Nick Cobos recovered the ball inside the 20-yard line. A couple plays later, Amaro got into the end zone on a one-yard sneak. The Demons now had a 19-6 advantage. Robertson would get another score on the board in the quarter. Lucero converted a fourth-down play on an 8-yard pass to Antonio Padilla. The touchdown cut into the lead, making it 19-12 heading into the fourth and final quarter.

Dexter added a field goal to give them a 22-12 advantage. The Dexter defense came up big in the final minutes. Lucero was picked off twice by the Demons in the final seven minutes. Dexter held Robertson to under 120 yards of total offense on the day. The Demons won the championship by a 22-12 score, giving them their first state football title in 21 years. Dexter ended the season with an 11-2 record. Robertson wrapped up the year at 11-3. It was the fourth straight championship loss for the Cardinals.



2018 State Championship Recap

Eunice Takes 2A Title Game



The Eunice Cardinals (12-0) captured their 14th overall football championship with a 35-6 victory over the Santa Rosa Lions (11-2) in the 2018 NMAA 2A State Football Championship game. It was the second straight title for the Cardinals, as Eunice won the 3A blue trophy in 2017.

The Cardinals struck first as quarterback Mason Caperton hit wide receiver Evan McCalip for 37-yard touchdown pass, giving Eunice a 6-0 with 5:16 left in the 1st quarter. The Cardinals unsuccessfully attempted a 2-point conversion. Over the remainder of the quarter, both teams were back and forth but neither team could punch the ball across the goal line. as the 1st quarter ended with Eunice leading 6-0.

Santa Rosa had their first opportunity to get on the board in the second with a 23-yard field goal attempt but

the kick was missed wide right with 10:22 left in the half.

Eunice struck again late in the 2nd quarter on a 2-yard rush by Avante Stevens. The 2-point conversion was good, giving Eunice a 14-0 lead with just 48 seconds left in the half.

Santa Rosa started the second half with the ball but was forced to punt the ball back to the Cardinals. Eunice then put together a four-minute drive, ending with a Caperton quarterback sneak making it 21-0 with 6:16 to go in the 3rd quarter.

The Cardinals extended their lead to 28-0 with just minutes left in the

third as Caperton connected with Michael Copeland on an 11-yard touchdown pass.

The Lions got on the scoreboard on the ensuing kickoff as Stephen Sanchez scored on 96-yard touchdown return to make it 28-6. The 2-point conversion was no good with 1:33 left in the 3rd quarter.

The Cardinals took their second possession of the fourth quarter into the red zone but a fumble by Caperton gave Santa Rosa the ball back on their own 3-yard line. Two plays later, Eunice scored on a 3-yard interception return by Felix Gonzales to extend their lead to 35-6 with just over seven minutes to play in the game.

In the end, the lead was too much for the Lions to overcome, as Eunice captured their second straight blue trophy with a final score of 35-6.



2018 State Championship Recap

Third Time is the Charm for Tatum



Coyotes a 7-6 lead. The score remained that way well into the second quarter.

On a third and long situation, Jimenez took the snap and pitched it to Cervantes, who went down the sideline 50 yards for their second score of the day. Tatum took a 14-6 lead over the top ranked Warriors into the locker room at halftime.

In the third quarter, the two teams put up a defensive fight and it was a big defensive play that got Gateway Christian back into the game. The Warriors blocked a Tatum punt that rolled into the end zone and Jeremiah

Coaches will tell you it's hard to beat a team three times in one season. The 2018 8-man football championship was a perfect example of that theory. Tatum lost to Gateway Christian twice during the regular season but, when it counted most, the Coyotes had their revenge. Tatum defeated Gateway Christian 28-20 to win their first football title since 2003.

Gateway Christian got on the board first in the first quarter. Quarterback Wyatt Arlet went to the air and found Jaydon Stephens, who made his way to the end zone. The 42-yard scoring play made it 6-0 Warriors. Tatum would find the end zone for the first time later in the quarter. Quarterback Sebastian Jimenez dumped off a screen pass to Luis Cervantes and the sophomore running back did the rest. The 32-yard touchdown and extra point gave the

Capps fell on the ball, giving Gateway Christian a much-needed score. The Warriors missed a second straight extra point conversion attempt, so Tatum still held onto a 14-12 lead. Late in the quarter, the Coyotes would tack on another score. Scott Alexander went right up the middle 35-yards to the end zone, giving Tatum a 21-12 lead.

With only one more quarter to play, the Warriors would punch one in. Arlet would connect with Stephens for their second touchdown combination on the day. This 32-yard scoring strike and two-point conversation made it a 21-20 game. Tatum would add an insurance score later in the fourth on a 3-yard carry by Jimenez that made the final score 28-20.

Tatum capped off their championship season with a 10-2 record, while Gateway Christian finished at 9-2.



2018 State Championship Recap

Panthers Win Back-to-Back Titles



Second verse same as the first. The Animas Panthers claimed the 2018 6-man football championship, beating Elida 59-21 in the final game at Billy Henson Stadium. It was a matchup of the top two teams in the state, as unbeaten Animas entered the postseason with the #1 ranking.

The Panthers didn't waste any time getting on the board. On their first possession, Animas marched downfield and, on 3rd and 10 from the 15, senior quarterback Jimmy Moreno connected with Jaiden Ybarra for the first score of the day. A conversion catch from Moreno to Tell Swift made it 7-0 Animas on their home field.

After exchanging possessions, Animas marched downfield before end of first quarter. On third down again, the Panthers called for a play action pass from Moreno to Ybarra again for 16 yards and another score, making it 14-0 Panthers with about a minute left in the opening quarter.

Elida got on the board in the second quarter. Levi Kline capped off the Tigers' drive with a 6-yard smash-mouth carry across the goal line on third down. Elida's Will Haley used some fancy work for the conversion. Haley fumbled the handoff, picked it back up and then punched it in around the corner making it a 14-7 game.

When Animas got the ball back, they found the end zone once again. On 4th and goal, the Panthers turned in a highlight that was Sportscenter-worthy. Moreno looked to the corner of the end zone for his target John Holder. Elida's Baylee Oder went up for the interception. What looked like a great defensive effort turned into an amazing

touchdown as Holder stripped the ball away from Oder as he went to the ground. Animas touchdown. The Panthers were up 20-7 with a little over four minutes to go in the first half.

Elida would get into the end zone one more time before the break with the biggest play of the half. The Tigers called a quick toss screen pass to Will Haley. The junior then made a nice cut and made his way to the goal line. Haley went 55 yards for the score with 2:48 left in half. Kline would barrel in for the conversion making it 20-14 but the scoring wasn't done.

With less than two minutes to go, Animas went for it on fourth down from their own 11. The Panthers called a quick toss back to Swift who was looking to throw, but instead carried it across the goal line himself, going up and over and Elida defender. Swift also converted the extra point to make it 27-14 Animas at the break.

The second half started just like the first for Animas. They marched downfield on their first possession. From the 8-yard line, the Panthers went with another play action call - Moreno to Swift again for the score. Swift would add another conversion to make it 34-14 Animas.

Later in the quarter, from the 6-yard line, Swift would score his third straight touchdown for the Panthers. Moreno would connect with Swift again for the conversion making it 41-14. The Panthers still had some scoring left in them for the third quarter. On second and goal, senior Levi Guillam would get in from the one-yard line making the score 47-14.

Animas extended their lead in the fourth quarter. The Panthers dug deep into the playbook for a fake reverse call. Swift, with the ball in his hands, cut back up field and went 37 yards to make it 53-14. A couple of minutes later, Moreno would connect with Orin Offutt on a touchdown pass and catch to grow their lead to 59-14. Elida would add a late touchdown, resulting in a 59-21 victory for Animas. It was their second straight title and 9th overall for the school. David Ramirez and the Panthers capped off the perfect season with a 10-0 record. Elida was 9-2, with their only two losses coming at the hands of Animas.



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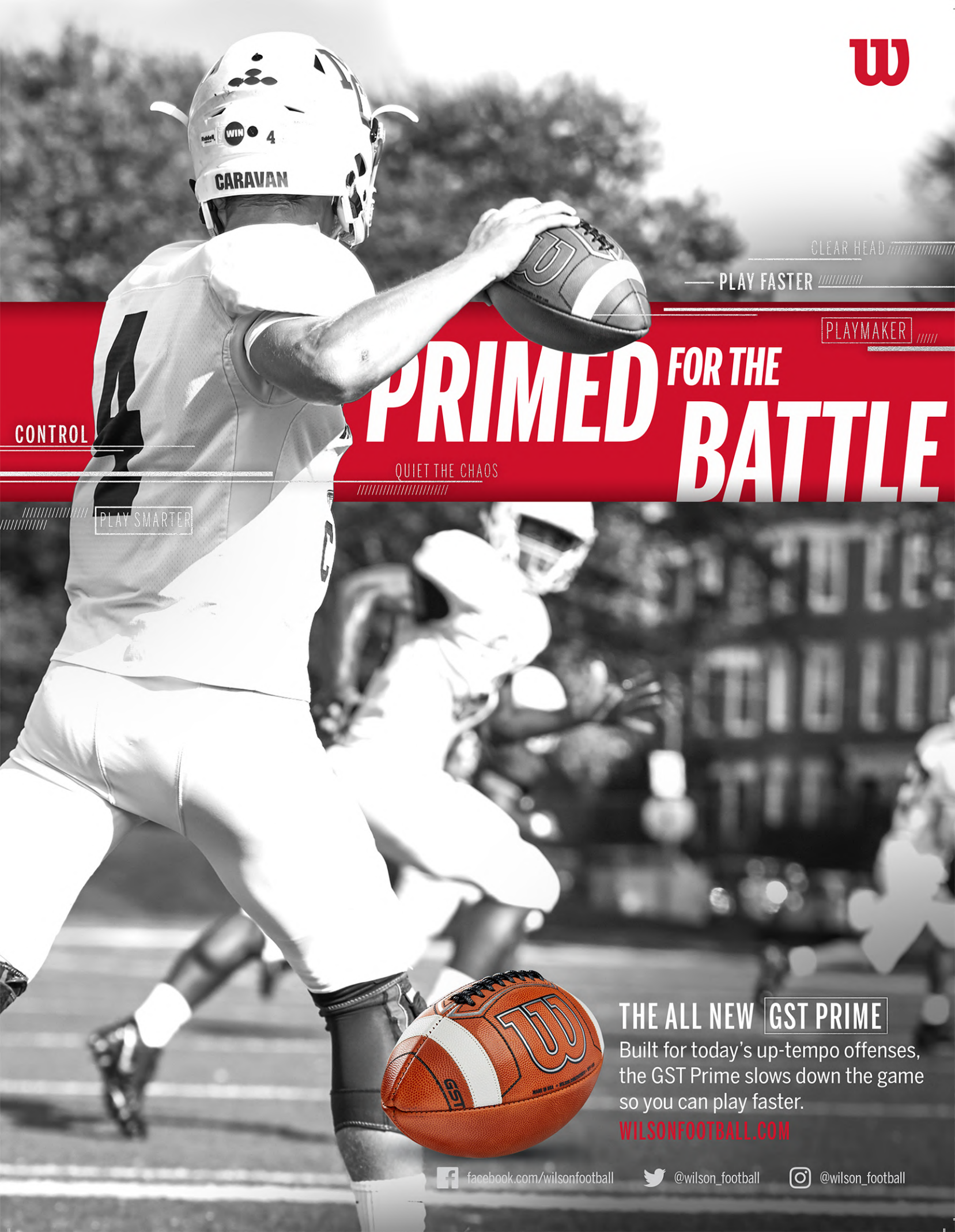
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