



2026 RED RAIDERS



Charles
ANDERSON JR.

OLB | 6-6 | 275 | Jr. | 3rd Yr. | 1L
Houston, Texas | Pearland Dawson HS
Career Games: 8 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Saw action in four games as a sophomore, appearing in all three non-conference games as well as the Big 12 home win over Kansas (10/11) ... credited with one tackle on the season, which came against Kent State (9/6).
- Scout team member ... recognized as the defensive scout team player of the week following Texas Tech's win in the Big 12 opener at Utah (9/20).

2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in four games overall during first season on campus - the final three contests of the regular season as well as the AutoZone Liberty Bowl versus Arkansas (12/27).
- Utilized heavily for his length up front as part of the field goal block unit ... inserted once defensively in the regular-season finale against West Virginia (11/30) ... playing time came only a game after being named the defensive scout team player of the week for Texas Tech's win at Oklahoma State (11/23).

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Pearland Dawson High School in the greater Houston area ... helped push the Eagles to a share of the District 23-6A crown as a senior following a 6-1 district record ... Pearland Dawson rebounded from an 0-3 start, with a pair of one-point losses, to finish with wins in six of its final eight games.
- Named a first team All-District 23-6A selection after being credited with 66 tackles, 7.0 tackles for loss, 4.0 sacks and two pass deflections in his final season ... garnered Academic All-District 23-6A honors following his senior season ... honored as the senior defensive player of the week following nine tackles, one tackle for loss and one sack in a 17-16 loss versus Tomball (9/13).
- Recognized as the KPRC 2/UTMB Health Athlete of the Week on Nov. 30, 2023 during his transition from the football season to playing forward/center for the basketball team ... served as the keynote speaker for the Berry Miller Junior High Circle of Champions winter event.
- Tabbed a second team All-District defensive end his junior season ... finished that season with 38 tackles, 10.0 tackles for loss, 4.0 sacks and two fumble recoveries.
- Arrived at Texas Tech alongside teammate Eddy Smith as part of the 2024 signing class ... committed to the Red Raiders on June 18, 2023 ... considered a three-star recruit by Rivals, ESPN, On3 and 247Sports ... ranked as high as No. 49 among defensive linemen nationally by On3 ... **CHOOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Oklahoma State, Kansas State, Missouri, Kansas, Northwestern, Cal, Houston.

PERSONAL

- Charles Anderson Jr. ... born in Round Rock, Texas but calls Houston his hometown ... parents are Charles Anderson and Vivian Malone ... has two sisters, Averee and Bailee Anderson.
- His dad played football at Texas Southern, while his grandfather was an All-American center at Prairie View.
- Majoring in accounting at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	4/0	4/0	8/0



Keagan
ASH

LB | 6-0 | 210 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Mount Enterprise, Texas | Mount Enterprise HS

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Mount Enterprise High School in his hometown of Mount Enterprise, Texas ... standout two-way player for the Class 2A program in East Texas, starting at not only linebacker but as one of the state's top running backs in history ... joined the linebacker room at Texas Tech upon his arrival to campus.
- Helped push Mount Enterprise to a 6-0 district record en route to an appearance in the Class 2A Division II state semifinals his senior year ... the Wildcats finished 14-1 overall that season, marking the third double-digit win season in the school's history since 1956 ... previously led the Wildcats to the regional semifinal round as a junior ... four-year letterwinner on the gridiron, pushing the Wildcats to three

playoff appearances overall.

- Snapped the career rushing record in the state of Texas as a senior, finishing with 11,382 yards on the ground over his four seasons ... broke the previous record set by Ken Hall of Sugar Land High School, who rushed for 11,232 yards from 1950-53 ... one of four players in Texas high school football history to rush for more than 10,000 career yards.
- Set the single-season rushing record in the state of Texas his senior year as well, breaking Hall's previous record of 4,045 yards from 1953 ... record fell in Mount Enterprise's regional final win over Bremond ... ultimately finished with 4,562 rushing yards as a senior after carrying 34 times for 238 yards in the state semifinal round ... totaled more than 5,000 all-purpose yards as a senior after adding 14 receptions for 508 yards and nine touchdowns through the air.
- Broke the national single-season record for total points scored (528) and the state of Texas record for single-season rushing touchdowns (67) as part of a historic senior season ... the previous national points record was set by former Indiana running back Brett Law in 1988 ... surpassed that mark by more than 20 points.
- Named to the Whataburger Super Team as a senior by Dave Campbell's Texas Football, which recognizes the top players in the state regardless of classification ... tabbed the Class 2A Offensive Player of the Year and a first team All-State selection at running back by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA) ... marked the third time to be named All-State first team by the TSWA after also earning the honor as a sophomore and junior ... was a first team All-State selection by the Padilla Poll as a sophomore and senior and a second team honoree his junior year.
- Recognized as the Most Valuable Player of District 11-2A Division II as both a sophomore and senior ... ability as a two-player was evident with 111 tackles, 21.0 tackles for loss, 7.5 sacks and five forced fumbles and a pass breakup as a senior ... totaled more than 250 tackles for his career, including 37.0 for a loss and 13.0 sacks ... added nine pass breakups, four fumble recoveries and two interceptions in a stellar high school career.
- Tabbed the Offensive Newcomer of the Year for the district as only a freshman after rushing for 2,023 yards and 26 touchdowns ... was a first team All-District 11-2A Division II selection his junior year as a running back, finishing with 1,960 yards and 32 rushing touchdowns ... rushed for at least 1,900 yards and 25 touchdowns in each of his four prep seasons.
- Multi-sport athlete who excelled in basketball and track and field as well ... two-time bronze medalist in the Class 2A triple jump with a personal best mark of 49-3.25 ... clocked in the 100 meters at 10.89 and 10.94 plus 22.52 in the 200-meter dash ... regional qualifier in the 100, 200 and 4x100-meter relay during prep career ... averaged 16.1 points, 7.1 rebounds, 1.4 assists and 1.6 steals per game on the hardwood as a junior ... pushed average up to 17.1 points per game as a senior to lead Mount Enterprise to the second round of the Class 2A Division II playoffs.
- Consensus four-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, ESPN and 247Sports ... among the nation's top-300 recruits by both Rivals (No. 297) and 247Sports (No. 216) and a top-50 prospect in the state of Texas by all three publications ... ranked as high as No. 33 in the Lone Star State by 247Sports ... listed as the No. 7 linebacker recruit in the country by ESPN and at No. 10 by 247Sports and No. 21 by Rivals.
- Committed to Texas Tech on June, 15, 2025, ahead of his senior season ... joined the football program in May 2026 in time for summer workouts ... **CHOOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** UTEP, Army, Washington State, and Texas State.

PERSONAL

- Jude Kaegan Ash ... born in Nacogdoches, Texas, to parents Brittany Webster and James Ash ... has two siblings, Landon and Memphis Ash
- Enjoys fishing and hunting outside of football.
- A finance major at Texas Tech.



Amier
BOYD

CB | 6-2 | 185 | Sr. | 5th Yr. (2nd at Tech) | 1L
Phoenix, Arizona | Mountain Pointe HS
Career Games: 37 / Career Starts: 11

CAREER HONORS

- Shrine Bowl 1,000 (2025, Sr.)

2025 SEASON (SENIOR)

- Split time as one of Texas Tech's starting cornerbacks during first season as a Red Raiders ... appeared in 13 of 14 games overall with six starts, missing only the non-conference finale with Oregon State (9/13) ... shared the starting job with Dontae Balfour, who made seven starts of his own opposite of Texas Tech's other corner in Brice Pollock.
- Recorded 27 tackles on the season (22 solo), including 2.0 for a loss ... broke up seven passes in the secondary, which ranked second on the team behind only Pollock ... picked off a pair of passes to contribute to Texas Tech's FBS-leading 32 takeaways on the season ... one of four Red Raiders with multiple interceptions on the year, joining Pollock (5) and linebackers Jacob Rodriguez (4) and Ben Roberts (4).
- Recorded at least one tackle in all 13 games and finished with multiple stops in six of those contests ... all seven of his pass breakups, meanwhile, came either during Big 12 play or in the Capital One Orange Bowl versus Oregon.
- Credited with 528 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which ranked second in the cornerback room behind only Pollock (797) ... publication gave him a 73.4 overall grade that was boosted by a 79.1 grade in rush defense, a 74.3 grade as a tackler and a 71.8 grade in coverage ... targeted 50 times in the passing game by opponents, per PFF, with only 25 of those leading to a completion, including only one for a touchdown.
- Began his career with three tackles and an interception in the season-opening win over Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) ... interception came late in the first quarter, giving the Red Raiders the ball just outside the red zone after a seven-yard return ... the Red Raiders scored roughly two minutes later to take an early 23-0 lead.
- Other interception on the season came in the regular-season finale at West Virginia (11/29) ... picked off quarterback Max Brown inside the Texas Tech red zone midway through the third quarter, returning it 67 yards to the Mountaineers' 18-yard line ... marked the longest interception return of the season by a Red Raider ... the Red Raiders scored three players later on a Micah Hudson touchdown catch from Lloyd Jones III for a 42-0 lead.
- Set a career high with seven tackles in the Capital One Orange Bowl versus Oregon (1/11), including one that went for a loss ... other tackle for loss came as part of two tackles in the win at Kansas State (11/1) ... tackle for loss against the Wildcats led to an eventual 3-and-out and punt, giving the Red Raiders the ball back to drive 74 yards for a touchdown and 29-14 lead late in the third quarter.
- Added a pass breakup versus the Wildcats before following with two the next week in the regular-season win over BYU (11/8) ... ended the season with a pass breakup in four of the final six games after getting his hand on another pass attempt in the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship versus BYU (12/6) as well as against Oregon.
- **AWARDS AND HONORS:** recognized for pro potential prior to the season as a member of the Shrine Bowl 1,000 list.

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Spent first three seasons of collegiate career at UTEP ... arrived at Texas Tech with two seasons of eligibility remaining after playing 24 games as a Miner, including 20 during his last two years alone.
- Earned five career starts during that time with four of the five starts coming as a sophomore in 2024 ... recorded 35 career tackles at UTEP plus two interceptions, six pass breakups and one forced fumble over three-year stint as a Miner ... credited with 845 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus over his tenure with the Miners to go along with an additional 139 snaps on special teams.
- **2024 SEASON (JUNIOR at UTEP):** played in nine games and made four starts during his best season with the Miners ... did not play in the season opener versus Nebraska (8/31) and was limited over the next three games ... missed the final two games of the season, finishing with 16 tackles, 1.0 tackle for loss, two interceptions, three pass breakups, one forced fumble and one fumble recovery.
- Targeted 27 times according to Pro Football Focus, allowing only 10 catches for 175 yards ... opponents completed only 37.0 percent of passes against him on the season, which ranked tied for fifth nationally among cornerbacks with at least 200 coverage snaps ... publication credited him with 360 defensive snaps on the season and a 72.6 overall grade in coverage.

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- Recorded two tackles over his first three games of the season against Southern Utah (9/7), at Liberty (9/14) and at Colorado State (9/21) despite playing in less than 10 defensive snaps in all three contests ... started four of the next five games against Sam Houston (10/3), FIU (10/16), at LA Tech (10/22), and Middle Tennessee (11/2).
- Intercepted first career pass in the fourth quarter versus FIU, aiding the Miners to a 30-21 win ... forced a fumble and recovered the fumble on the opening kickoff to start the third quarter against Middle Tennessee a few weeks later, setting up a 29-yard made field goal ... part of a season-high five tackles against the Blue Raiders ... picked off second interception of the season versus Kennesaw State (11/9) and first tackle for loss of the season.
- **2023 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at UTEP):** played in 11 games while making one start as a sophomore ... lone start came against UNLV (9/23) to close non-conference play ... tallied 11 tackles (10 solo), 1.0 tackle for loss and three breakups overall on 317 defensive snaps ... best performance came early in the season with three tackles in a win over Incarnate Word (9/2) ... later recorded first career tackle for loss at Middle Tennessee (11/18) to go with a pass breakup.
- **2022 SEASON (FRESHMAN at UTEP):** saw action in last four games of his first season as a Miner ... started at cornerback in the final three contests at Rice (11/3), versus FIU (11/19) and at UTSA (11/26) ... tallied eight tackles overall, which came over the two road games at Rice and UTSA with four stops in both contests ... credited with 168 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus over the final third of the season.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Mountain Pointe High School in Phoenix, Ariz. ... two-way star as both a quarterback and wide receiver as well as a defensive back ... enrolled at Mountain Pointe as a junior after previously attending South Mountain High School.
- Focused primarily at wide receiver his senior season after starting at quarterback as a junior ... was still the backup quarterback for the Pride ... caught 25 passes as a senior for 378 yards and two touchdowns, while also rushing for 230 yards and three touchdowns on only 30 attempts (7.7 yards per carry) ... inserted at quarterback in 10 games, throwing for 320 yards and three touchdowns on 21-of-36 passing.
- Defensively, tallied 57 tackles (44 solo) with six pass breakups, a fumble recovery for 63 yards and two forced fumbles ... picked off two passes for 77 yards including a 54-yard pick six ... hauled in four passes for 88 yards and a touchdown against Desert Vista ... reeled in a receiving score, returned an interception 54 yards for a touchdown and tallied six tackles against Brophy College Prep ... recorded a season-high 10 tackles against Basha.

PERSONAL

- Amier Boyd ... born and raised in Phoenix, Ariz. ... son of Stephanie Boyd and Charles Matthews ... has two siblings, Autumn and Anayah ... has a son, Kaiden Boyd, born summer of 2023.
- An interdisciplinary studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2022*	2023*	2024*	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	4/0	11/1	9/4	13/6	37/11
* at UTEP					

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	PD	FF	FR	INT
2022 (UTEP)	4	6	2	8	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
2023 (UTEP)	11	10	1	11	1.0	1	3	0	0	0
2024 (UTEP)	9	12	4	16	1.0	4	3	1	1	2
2025 (TTU)	13	22	5	27	2.0	5	7	0	0	2
TOTALS	37	50	12	62	4.0	10	13	1	1	4

INTERCEPTIONS	GP	No	Yds	TD	LG
2022 (UTEP)	4	0	0	0	0
2023 (UTEP)	11	0	0	0	0
2024 (UTEP)	9	2	11	0	14



▲ **AMIER BOYD**, in his first season at Texas Tech, developed into an integral piece of the Red Raiders' stifling defense. Boyd made six starts in 2025 and recorded five of those starts over the final six games of the season, including the Big 12 Championship Game and the College Football Playoff Orange Bowl.

2025 (TUTU)	13	2	74	0	67
Totals	37	4	85	0	67

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	TFL-YDS	INT-YDS	FF	FR	PBU
Ark-Pine Bluff	3	0	3	0-0-0	1-7	0	0	0	0
Kent State	*	1	0	1	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Oregon State	DNP								
at Utah	1	0	1	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Houston	2	0	2	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Kansas	2	0	2	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1
at Arizona State	4	0	4	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1
Oklahoma State	1	0	1	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Kansas State	*	2	0	2	1-3	0-0	0	0	1
BYU	*	1	0	1	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	2
UCF	1	0	1	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at West Virginia	*	1	0	1	0-0-0	1-67	0	0	0
vs. BYU	*	0	1	1	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	1
vs. Oregon	*	3	4	7	1-2	0-0	0	0	1
Totals	22	5	27	2-0-5	2-74	0	0	0	7

2024 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ UTEP)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	TFL-YDS	INT-YDS	FF	FR	PBU
at Nebraska	DNP								
Southern Utah	0	0	0	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Liberty	0	0	0	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Colorado State	1	1	2	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Sam Houston	*	2	1	3	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	1	0	1	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
FIU	*	1	1	2	0-0-0	1-3	0	0	0
at La. Tech	*	1	0	1	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	1
Middle Tenn.	*	4	1	5	0-0-0	0-0	1	1	1
Kennesaw St.	2	0	2	1-0-4	1-14	0	0	0	1
at Tennessee	DNP								
at New Mexico St.	DNP								
Totals	12	4	16	1-0-4	2-11	1	1	1	3



Aaron
BRADSHAW

S | 6-3 | 190 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Crowley, Texas | North Crowley HS

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended North Crowley High School in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex ... spent time at wide receiver before transitioning to safety ... spent all four years on varsity, first at Fort Worth Eastern Hills as a freshman and then at North Crowley beginning a year later, joining one of the most-successful high school programs in the state of Texas.
- Recorded 65 tackles, two interceptions and nine pass breakups during his senior year alone, ultimately finishing his high school career with 134 tackles, 11 pass breakups, eight interceptions and 149 receiving yards ... was a first team All-District 3-6A selection as a senior after helping push North Crowley to the Class 6A Division I state quarterfinals following a 12-2 regular season ... earned first team All-State honors by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA).
- Broke out for 40 tackles, five interceptions and two pass breakups as a junior for a North Crowley that won the Class 6A Division I state title ... recorded three tackles and a pass breakup in the win over Austin Westlake at AT&T Stadium in Arlington to complete a perfect 16-0 season ... had an interception in almost every game of the playoff run, including one against top-ranked Duncanville.
- North Crowley finished 14-1 his sophomore season, advancing all the way to the Class 6A Division I state semifinals ... also a member of the school's track and field program, clocking as fast as a 22.4 in the 200-meters.
- Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, 247Sports and ESPN ... ranked as high as No. 46 among safeties in the 2026 class by ESPN and No. 86 among prospects nationally ... committed to Texas Tech on April 18, 2025, and enrolled at the university in January 2026 ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Texas, Texas A&M, SMU, TCU, Pitt, LSU, Arizona State, Houston, among others.

PERSONAL

- Aaron Bradshaw ... nickname is Aray ... born in Fort Worth, Texas, to parents Andre Bradshaw and Angela Newton ... stepson to Ikina Wilbon ... has six siblings, Percy, Alex, Andre, Javion, Princess and Vincent.
- Majoring in sport management at Texas Tech.



Ren
BROWN

OL | 6-4 | 300 | So. | 2nd Yr.
Stanton, Nebraska | Stanton HS
Career Games: 0 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Did not see any game action during first season on campus ... scout team member.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended his hometown Stanton High School in Nebraska ... program competed in back-to-back NSAA State Championships under head coach David Stoddard during the 2023 and 2024 seasons, going 25-1 in that stretch ... won the NSAA Class D1 title as a junior in 2023 and was the NSAA Class D1 runner-up in 2024, falling 44-42 to snap a 25-game winning streak over those two years.
- Played on both the offensive and defensive lines to go along with some action at tight end during prep career ... played every position along the offensive line but is projected as a tackle at the college level.
- Named a first team All-State selection following both his junior and senior seasons ... tabbed a first team All-District honoree three years in a row as a sophomore, junior and senior.
- Listed as the No. 10-ranked high school player in the state of Nebraska by BVM Sports ... also recognized the No. 10 Class of 2025 Nebraska high school prospect by Sports Illustrated ... his signing provided Texas Tech with two of top-10 prospects from Nebraska on that list as he joined future teammate Garin Maley from Papillion-La Vista who was No. 6 overall.
- A three-sport athlete, also competing on the basketball and track teams ... logged a top shot put distance of 51'-5" in the 2024 outdoor season and a 154'-8" discuss toss ... set the Stanton school record in Hexbar deadlift of 625 pounds.
- Committed to Texas Tech in June 2024 ... a consensus three-star recruit by the likes of On3, 247Sports, Rivals and ESPN ... ranked as high as No. 9 in the state of Nebraska by Rivals.

• **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Oregon State, South Dakota, Kansas State, Northern Illinois, Eastern Michigan, Army, Air Force, South Dakota State, Ohio, Northern Iowa, North Dakota and Montana.

PERSONAL

- Ren Brown ... son of Austin Brown and Jamie Bachmann ... born in Norfolk, Neb. ... calls Stanton, Neb. home ... has two siblings, Shay Bulson and Lilia Evans.s.
- Enjoys hunting and fishing, camping and going golfing away from football.
- Majoring in kinesiology at Texas Tech.



Christian
BRUCE

DL | 6-3 | 270 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Alpharetta, Ga. | Alpharetta HS

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Alpharetta High School in Alpharetta, Ga. ... played multiple positions including defensive and offensive tackle along with defensive end.
- Was an honorable mention for the Georgia High School Sports Association (GHSA) All-Region Team for Region 6-6A in 2024 while playing for head coach Jason Kervin.
- Chose Texas Tech over Western Kentucky.

PERSONAL

- Christian Bruce ... born in Atlanta, Ga., and calls Alpharetta, Ga. home ... son to Donnell and Kathleen Bruce ... has one younger sister, Alexandra.
- Father was a student-athlete on the basketball team at Clemson.
- A pre-business major at Texas Tech.



Bryce
BUTLER

DL | 6-4 | 320 | Sr. | 5th Yr. (1st at Tech)
Toronto, Ont., Canada | St. Thomas More HS | Garden City CC | Washington
Career Games: 15 / Career Starts: 1

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PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Big addition for the Red Raiders up front after arriving following two seasons at Washington (2024-25) and two years at Garden City Community College (2022-23) in Kansas ... will spend his final season of eligibility as a Red Raider, giving Texas Tech an experienced interior defensive lineman in the middle of its defense.
- Redshirted his first season at Washington, ultimately playing in 15 games with one start between his two years on campus ... combined to make 24 tackles, including 3.5 for a loss with 2.0 sacks, to go along with a fumble recovery ... credited with 354 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus with the vast majority coming during his second season as a Husky.
- Among the most highly-recruited interior defensive linemen to enter the transfer portal during the 2026 cycle ... ranked ninth in On3's listing of the top defensive linemen in the transfer portal, giving Texas Tech two of the nation's top signees between him and Wake Forest transfer Mateen Ibrogba.
- **2025 SEASON (SENIOR at WASHINGTON):** grew into a larger role during second season as a Husky, appearing in 12 of 13 games with his lone start coming in non-conference win over UC Davis (9/6) ... did not play in Washington's bowl game after announcing his intentions to enter the transfer portal.
- Finished with 19 tackles, including 2.5 for a loss and 2.0 sacks ... also recovered a fumble for the Washington defense ... made at least one tackle in 10 different contests and had multiple stops in five of those games.
- Lone tackle in the win over UC Davis was a shared tackle for loss ... followed by securing another tackle two weeks later at Washington State (9/20) to go with a fumble recovery, the first takeaway of his career ... fumble recovery came early in the fourth quarter, giving Washington the ball back near the red zone in the Apple Cup win.
- Recorded multiple-tackle performances during Big Ten play with two stops against Ohio State (9/27), Rutgers (10/10) and Wisconsin (11/8), three at Michigan (10/18) and a career-high five in the regular-season finale versus Oregon (11/29) ... notched his first career sack in the win over Rutgers and then added his second of the year at UCLA (11/22) ... sack versus the Bruins went for a 15-yard loss early in the third quarter, giving the Huskies a third-down stop to set up a punt and a touchdown drive for a 34-0 lead.
- Considered one of the nation's top run-stopping interior defensive linemen by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him a 74.0 overall grade ... had an 80.3 grade in rush defense, which ranked 25th among power conference interior defensive linemen

with at least 300 defensive snaps ... publication credited him with 305 defensive snaps and 14 total pressures.

- **2024 SEASON (JUNIOR at WASHINGTON):** appeared in only three games during first season as a H against Weber State (8/31) and Eastern Michigan (9/7) and then UCLA (11/15) late in Big Ten play ... made his Washington debut with four tackles against Weber State, including one for a loss, against Weber State ... added his own other tackle on the season the next week in a win over Eastern Michigan.
- **2022-23 SEASONS (at GARDEN CITY COMMUNITY COLLEGE):** dominant at the junior college level with 59 combined tackles, 15.5 tackles for loss and 8.0 sacks between his two seasons ... was a second team All-Kansas Jayhawk Community College Conference (KJCCC) selection following both of his two seasons.
- Credited with 31 tackles, 13.5 tackles for loss and 5.0 sacks over only nine games as a true freshman in 2022 ... followed with 28.0 tackles, 12.0 tackles for loss and 3.0 sacks as a sophomore a year later to go along with a forced fumble and three pass breakups.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended St. Thomas More School in Oakdale, Conn. ... two-way player for the Chancellors, starring on both the offensive and defensive lines.

PERSONAL

- Bryce Butler ... born and raised in Toronto, Canada ... parents are Brian Butler and Melissa Zelaya ... has two older siblings, Monica Zelaya and Umar Monsod, and one younger sibling, Khalil Butler.
- An avid car enthusiast, specifically German vehicles ... aspires to own a car collection and work on them when he is older.
- Earned his bachelor's degree in sociology from Washington in the summer of 2026 ... a general studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2022*	2023*	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	-/-	-/-	3/0	12/1	15/1

* at Garden City CC | * at Washington

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL-Yds	PD	FF	FR	Blk	QBH
2024 (UW)	3	3	2	5	1.0-1	0	0	0	0	0
2025 (UW)	12	12	7	19	2.5-19	0	0	1	0	3
Totals	15	15	9	24	3.5-20	0	0	1	0	3

SACKS	G	UA	A	Total	Yds
2024 (UW)	3	0	0	0.0	0
2025 (UW)	12	2	0	2.0	18
Totals	15	2	0	2.0	18

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ WASHINGTON)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	INT	QBH
Colorado State	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
UC Davis	*	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0
at Washington St.	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1	0	0	0
Ohio State	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	1
at Maryland	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Rutgers	2	0	2	1.0-3	1.0-3	0	0	0	0	0
at Michigan	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Illinois	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Wisconsin	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Purdue	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	2
at UCLA	1	0	1	1.0-15	1.0-15	0	0	0	0	0
Oregon	4	1	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Boise State	DNP									
Totals	12	7	19	2.0-18	2.5-19	0	1	0	0	3



Chase CAMPBELL
WR | 6-0 | 200 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Lubbock, Texas | Frenship HS

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Local product out of Frenship High School in Lubbock ... one of the top area athletes during prep career, immediately boosting the Tigers ... took snaps at defensive back and quarterback during his high school career but starred as a wide receiver.
 - Totaled more than 3,500 receiving yards over his prep career as a three-year varsity letterwinner ... enjoyed a breakout season as a sophomore with 87 catches for 1,428 yards and 17 touchdowns to earn All-District 2-6A second team honors ... helped lead Frenship to the area round of the Class 6A playoffs both his sophomore and junior seasons before falling to a Southlake Carroll team that advanced to at least the state semifinals both years.
 - Collected first team All-District 2-6A accolades as a junior after tallying 81 receptions for 1,497 yards and 18 touchdowns ... also ran for 316 yards and six touchdowns on only 38 carries that season en route to pushing the Tigers to a District 2-6A title ... all-around threat with a kick return for a touchdown and 97 passing yards and two touchdowns as a quarterback ... member of the big school All-Area first team compiled by the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal as well as a third team All-State honoree by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA).
 - Finished with 51 catches for 889 yards and 13 touchdowns as a senior before his season was cut short due to injury ... added another 121 yards and five touchdowns on the ground, while also throwing for 154 yard sand two touchdowns at quarterback ... the Tigers were still able to make a playoff appearance for a third-consecutive year to end his prep career.
 - A standout basketball player for the Tigers, recording more than 1,000 points in his career despite not playing as a senior ... named to the All-Area Super Team as a junior after leading Frenship to a district and area titles ... made his mark on the track as well as a regional qualifier in both the 4x100 and 4x200-meter relays ... named one of the top dual-sport athletes in the state for his impressive football and basketball numbers by Dave Campbell's Texas Football.
 - One of three recent Frenship graduates to join the Red Raider football program, joining quarterback Holden Phillips and fellow wide receiver Leyton Stone, both 2025 graduates ... committed to Texas Tech on July 22, 2025, ahead of his senior season ... graduated from Frenship in December 2025 in order to enroll at Texas Tech as an early enrollee.
 - A consensus four-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, 247Sports and ESPN ... one of the top recruits in the country as a consensus top-300 prospect ... ranked as high as No. 63 nationally by Rivals and No. 7 among recruits in the state of Texas ... listed as the No. 12 prospect in the state of Texas by 247Sports and at No. 30 by ESPN ... among the top wide receiver recruits in the country, ranking 12th nationally by Rivals as well as 16th by 247Sports and No. 36 by ESPN ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Arizona, Arkansas, Baylor, Kansas State, North Carolina, Utah, Tennessee, SMU and others.
- PERSONAL**
- Chase Campbell ... born in Fayetteville, Arkansas and calls Lubbock home ... son of Marcus and Deedee Campbell ... has a younger sister, Camdyn.
 - Both parents are former college student-athletes at Arkansas with his father as a defensive back of the football program and his mother in track and field ... grandfather, Darrell Brown, was also a football student-athlete at Arkansas ... mother garnered All-America honors in the outdoor heptathlon twice during her career (2000, 2002) while claiming three SEC individual titles ... she was inducted into the Arkansas Sports Hall of Honor in 2015 as well as the state of Arkansas Track and Field Hall of Fame that same year ... she is now Texas Tech's Senior Associate Athletics Director and Senior Woman Administrator.
 - Major at Texas Tech is communication studies.



Stephen CANNON
QB | 6-2 | 205 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Savannah, Ga. | Benedictine Military School

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Benedictine Military School in Savannah, Ga. ... played for one of the top high school programs in the Peach State ... helped lead the Cadets to the Class 4A state championship game his senior year and the state quarterfinals as a junior.
- Named the Region 1-4A Offensive Player of the Year as a senior after completing 65.0 percent of his passes for 1,908 yards and 22 touchdowns to only four interceptions ... one of the state's top dual-threat quarterbacks with 537 rushing yards and additional seven scores on the ground ... threw for 213 passing yards and three touchdowns, while rushing for another score alone in Benedictine's narrow loss in the state title game.
- Recognized as the Savannah Quarterback Club Week 10 Co-Offensive Player of the Week after a 75-7 win ... needed to complete only seven of his eight passes for 182 yards and five touchdowns in just one half of play ... helped lead the Cadets to Class 4A state semifinals after an impressive 80-32 victory.
- Battled an injury his junior year, ultimately finishing with 1,352 passing yards and 11 touchdowns on 58.0 percent passing ... also rushed for 147 yards and three scores in seven games ... successful season helped him land in the power-100 rankings by the Georgia High School Football Daily prior to his senior season, ranking in the top-10 among senior quarterbacks in the state.
- Three-sport prospect for the Cadets, also competing for Benedictine's basketball and track programs ... two-time Georgia state champion in track as a member of the 400 and 800-meter relays ... also competed in the 110 and 300-meter hurdles during his prep career as well as several of the other sprint events ... the Cadets' 4x100-meter relay previously finished second in the Class 4A state meet his sophomore year with a time of 41.85 ... individually finished ninth that year in the state meet with a 40.63 time in the 300 hurdles.
- Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, 247Sports and ESPN ... ranked as high as No. 32 among quarterbacks nationally by 247Sports and No. 62 among prospects in the state of Georgia ... was No. 79 among Georgia prospects by Rivals and 55th among quarterbacks nationally.
- Committed to Texas Tech on April 8, 2025, in anticipation of enrolling at the university in January 2026 ... high school teammates with fellow Red Raider signee LaDamon Guyton, a five-star prospect in the same 2026 class ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** USF, Virginia, Miami (OH), Wake Forest, Georgia Tech, UCF and others.

PERSONAL

- Stephen Cannon ... born in Savannah, Georgia, to parents Stephen Sr. and Staci Cannon ... has two siblings, Jack and Tait ... second member of his family to play collegiate football as his grandfather starred at South Georgia.
- Interests are hunting and video games outside of football.
- A business management major at Texas Tech.



Jett CARPENTER
TE | 6-3 | 255 | Sr. | 7th Yr. (1st at Tech)
Medford, Ore. | North Medford HS | Eastern Washington | Nevada
Career Games: 35 / Career Starts: 22

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CAREER HONORS

- Honorable Mention All-Mountain West Conference (2025, Sr.)
- Honorable Mention All-Big Sky Conference (2024, Sr.)

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Arrived at Texas Tech as one of the most-experienced tight ends in the country between one year at Nevada (2025) and five seasons at Eastern Washington (2021-24) ... received a medical hardship waiver, giving him one season of eligibility remaining that will be used as a Red Raider ... the 2026 season will be his seventh as a collegiate student-athlete.
- Appeared in 35 games the past six seasons between the two spots, making 22 starts during that span ... combined for 48 catches for 448 yards and four touchdowns over his collegiate career, with the vast majority coming during the 2025 season at Nevada ... totaled 13 catches for 74 yards and two touchdowns during 23 games at Eastern Washington ... credited with playing in 1,250 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, including 1,044 over the past two seasons alone.
- **2025 SEASON (SIXTH-YEAR SENIOR at NEVADA):** was a welcome addition for Nevada in his lone season to the Wolf Pack ... appeared in all 12 games, making

11 starts on his way to leading the team in receptions (35) and receiving yards (374) while hauling in two touchdowns ... an honorable mention All-Mountain West selection and one of three winners of the Coaches Choice Award at the end-of-season banquet.

• Caught at least one pass in all 12 games and had multiple receptions in 10 of those contests ... saw an uptick in targets with the Wolf Pack, matching his career total from Eastern Washington by the fifth game of the season ... best performance came during that stretch with six catches for 70 yards at Western Kentucky (9/20), both career highs ... later caught four passes twice - versus Boise State (10/27) for 30 yards and at Utah State (11/8) for 58 yards and a touchdown ... ended the season with five catches for 56 yards versus UNLV (11/29).

• Touchdown at Utah State was part of a 34-yard strike from Chubba Purdy midway through the fourth quarter ... marked his third-longest catch of the season after previously hauling in receptions of 36 yards at Western Kentucky and 44 yards versus San Diego State (10/11) ... other touchdown was from 8-yards out at Wyoming (11/22), breaking up a scoreless tie late in the second quarter in an eventual 13-7 win.

• Credited with 559 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him a 69.8 overall grade and a 73.5 grade as a run blocker ... easily the most offensive snaps in a season in his career ... also a member of Nevada's punt coverage and field goal protection units on special teams ... able to contribute in a variety of ways, serving as the backup long snapper in addition to his role as a tight end.

• **2024 SEASON (FIFTH-YEAR SENIOR at EASTERN WASHINGTON):** returned from injury to start in 11 games during his final season with the Eagles ... an honorable mention All-Big Sky selection by the conference coaches after catching eight passes for 60 yards and a touchdown ... lone touchdown came in the regular-season finale at Northern Arizona (11/23) via a two-yard pass ... had multiple catches in two games - against Montana (9/28) for 24 yards and versus UC Davis (10/19) for 13 yards.

• **2023 SEASON (SENIOR at EASTERN WASHINGTON):** limited to only three games due to an early-season injury ... year of eligibility was returned to him via a medical hardship waiver ... caught only one pass for three yards on the season, which came at UC Davis (9/23).

• **2022 SEASON (JUNIOR at EASTERN WASHINGTON):** made his collegiate debut, playing in nine games during his third year on campus ... caught four passes for 11 yards and a touchdown on the season ... hauled in his first career touchdown early in the season at Oregon (9/10) on a seven-yard pass midway through the second quarter ... only other significant catch on the year also went for a seven-yard gain at Idaho (11/5) late in the season ... a Big Sky Conference All-Academic team honoree.

• **2021 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at EASTERN WASHINGTON):** did not see any game action during second season on campus.

• **2020 SEASON (FRESHMAN at EASTERN WASHINGTON):** did not see any game action during the COVID-shortened campaign, which was moved to the spring at the FCS level ... named to the Big Sky Conference All-Academic team.

HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended North Medford High School in his hometown of Medford, Ore ... two-way player at the prep level, starting as a tight end as well as a defensive lineman.

• Recognized as a second team All-State selection by the Oregonian as a senior ... named the Southwest Conference Offensive Player of the Year and a first team All-Conference honoree as a tight end ... added second team All-Conference honors as a defensive lineman as well.

• Previously a second team All-Southwest Conference selection as a junior after catching 20 passes for 318 yards with two touchdowns ... averaged an impressive 15.9 yards per catch that season ... notched 94 tackles on defense to go along with two interceptions.

• Member of the North Medford basketball and baseball programs as well ... averaged 10.9 points, 4.6 rebounds, 1.2 steals and 0.7 blocks per game during prep career in basketball ... totaled 707 points while shooting 50.0 percent from the field ... put together an impressive senior year, averaging 17.0 points, 6.5 rebounds, 1.5 steals and 1.0 blocks per game ... was an honorable mention All-State selection for Class 6A ... was a first team All-Southwest Conference selection and the league's Co-Player of the Year.

PERSONAL

• Jett Carpenter... born and raised in Medford, Oregon ... parents are Jeff and Janelle Carpenter ... has three siblings: Trae, Ty and Paije.

• Earned bachelor's degree in management from Eastern Washington in spring 2024 ... currently enrolled at Texas Tech in non-degree-seeking post-baccalaureate studies.

PARTICIPATION	2020*	2021*	2022*	2023*	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	0/0	0/0	9/0	3/0	11/11	12/11	35/22

* at Eastern Washington | * at Nevada

CAREER STATS

RECEIVING	G	Rec	Yds	TD	Lg	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2022 (EWU)	9	4	11	1	7	0.4	2.8	1.2
2023 (EWU)	3	1	3	0	3	0.3	3.0	1.0
2024 (EWU)	11	8	60	1	16	0.7	7.5	5.5
2025 (NEV)	12	35	374	2	44	2.9	10.7	31.8
Totals	35	48	448	4	0	1.4	9.3	12.9

2025 GAME-BY-GAME (@ NEVADA)

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	LG	Rush	Yds	TD
at Penn State	*	1	12	0	12.0	12	0	0	0
Sacramento State	*	3	13	0	4.3	7	0	0	0
Middle Tennessee	*	2	16	0	8.0	9	0	0	0
at Western Kentucky	*	6	70	0	11.7	36	0	0	0
at Fresno State	*	1	2	0	2.0	2	0	0	0
San Diego State	*	3	72	0	24.0	44	0	0	0
at New Mexico	*	2	13	0	6.5	14	0	0	0
Boise State	*	4	30	0	7.5	12	0	0	0
at Utah State	*	4	56	1	14.5	34	0	0	0
San Jose State	*	2	20	0	10.0	15	0	0	0
at Wyoming	*	2	12	1	6.0	8	0	0	0
UNLV	*	5	56	0	11.2	21	0	0	0
Totals		35	374	2	10.7	44	0	0	0



Terrance CARTER JR.

TE | 6-2 | 245 | Sr. | 5th Yr. (2nd at Tech) | 1L
Killeen, Texas | Harker Heights HS | Louisiana
Career Games: 39 / Career Starts: 27

CAREER HONORS

- All-Big 12 Second Team (2025, Jr.)
- Shrine Bowl 1000 (2025, Jr.)
- All-Sun Belt First Team (2024, So.)

2026 SEASON (FIFTH-YEAR SENIOR)

• Heads into his senior season as a potential NFL selection following a strong debut in Texas Tech's high-scoring offense ... ranks as the leading returning tight end for receiving yards from a year ago.

2025 SEASON (SENIOR)

• Regarded as one of the top tight ends in the country during first season as a Red Raider ... appeared in 13 of 14 games overall, missing only the Oklahoma State game (10/25) midway through Big 12 play ... started in 12 of those games, with the lone exception being versus Kansas.

• Among the top pass-catching tight ends in the country due to his ability to spread a defense in the slot or in a usual tight end position ... caught 55 passes for 624 yards and five touchdowns on the season, finishing second on the team for receptions and fourth for both receiving yards and receiving touchdowns ... marked the most receiving yards by a Red Raider tight end since Jace Amaro set an NCAA record in 2013 ... added two carries for 24 yards on the ground as well.

• One of four Red Raiders with at least 600 receiving yards, the most for Texas Tech in a single season since the 2016 campaign ... marked only the sixth time in program history the Red Raiders had four players with 600 or more receiving yards ... joined on that list by wide receivers Caleb Douglas (846), Reggie Virgil (705) and Coy Eakin (637).

• Caught at least one pass in 12 of his 13 games played and had three or more receptions in 10 of those contests ... lone game without a catch came in Texas Tech's lone regular-season loss at Arizona State (10/18) ... had 23 of his receptions go for at least 10 yards with 12 of those for 20-plus yards and three for 30 yards.

• **AWARDS AND HONORS:** an All-Big 12 second team selection by the conference coaches ... marked the second-consecutive year a Red Raider tight end had been named to the All-Big 12 first or second team (Jalin Conyers, 2024) ... recognized prior to the season for his pro potential as part of the Shrine Bowl 1,000 list.

• **IN NCAA RANKINGS:** ranked fifth in the FBS for receiving yards among tight ends, trailing only Vanderbilt's Eli Stowers (769), Houston's Tanner Kozio (727), Baylor's

Michael Trigg (694) and Ole Miss' Dae'Quan Wright (635) ... was fourth among tight ends for receptions behind only Koziol (74), Stowers (62) and New Mexico's Dorian Thomas (56).

• **IN BIG 12 RANKINGS:** ended the year ranked 10th in the league for total receptions (55), 13th for receptions per game (4.2) and 19th for total receiving yards (624) ... among tight ends only, ranked second in the conference for receptions behind Houston's Tanner Koziol, who led the league with 74 catches ... was third in the conference for receiving yards among tight ends, trailing both Koziol (727) and Baylor's Michael Trigg (694).

• **SEASON HIGHLIGHTS:** Found the end zone twice in his Red Raider debut as part of three catches for 42 yards in the season-opening win over Arkansas-Pine Bluff ... both touchdowns came in the first quarter on 21-yard and 9-yard passes from Behren Morton, giving the Red Raiders an early 23-0 lead ... marked the first multi-touchdown performance of his career.

• All five of his touchdown receptions came in the first half of the regular season ... followed with only one catch against Kent State (9/6) but it went for a season-long 50 yards in the win ... tackled at the 3-yard line, setting up a Reggie Virgil touchdown pass the next play to give the Red Raiders a 48-0 lead at the half ... marked the second-longest reception thus far in his career.

• Recorded his lone 100-yard outing of the season and the third of his career to close non-conference play versus Oregon State (9/13) ... caught six passes for 102 yards and a touchdown as one of three Red Raiders with 100-yard receiving performances ... joined by Coy Eakin (123) and J'Koby Williams (116) to become the first Red Raider trio to eclipse 100 receiving yards since 2014 when Jakeem Grant, Bradley Marquez and DeAndre Washington did so versus Baylor at AT&T Stadium ... touchdown came via a 23-yard connection with Behren Morton to start the second half, pushing the Red Raiders' lead to 35-0 at the time.

• Began Big 12 play with seven catches for 49 yards and a touchdown at Utah (9/20) ... broke the game open for the Red Raiders by hauling in a 24-yard fade down the left side from Will Hammond to take a 20-10 lead with 8:29 remaining in regulation ... set up a Stone Harrington 58-yard field goal just before halftime with a 11-yard reception over the middle ... converted a 3rd-and-5 late in the fourth quarter to set up Cameron Dickey's 24-yard touchdown run that sealed the victory.

• Limited to only three catches for 26 yards in the win at Houston (10/4) and three receptions for 28 yards versus Kansas ... performance versus Kansas featured his final touchdown catch of the season, which came on a 21-yard pass from Behren Morton on Texas Tech's second drive of the game ... the Red Raiders took a 15-0 lead on the touchdown.

• Bounced back from no catches at Arizona State by hauling in four receptions for 81 yards at Kansas State (11/1) ... had catches of 30 and 38 yards in the win, with both leading to scoring drives ... followed with four catches for 41 yards the next week versus BYU (11/8) and two receptions for 13 yards versus UCF (11/15) ... also carried once for 12 yards to set up a touchdown in the win over the Knights.

• Set a career high with 10 catches in the regular-season finale at West Virginia (11/29) ... nearly found the end zone on Texas Tech's opening possession before his 27-yard gain was stopped at the 1-yard line ... the Red Raiders scored a play

later for an early 7-0 lead ... had three catches for 49 yards on the opening drive alone en route to recording his entire receiving total prior to halftime.

• Hauled in a needed two-point conversion in the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship win over BYU (12/6) to give the Red Raiders a 21-7 lead late in the third quarter ... added three catches for 22 yards in the victory ... came close to matching his career high for receptions in the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship versus Oregon (1/1), finishing with nine catches for 72 yards ... gave the Red Raiders some hope in the loss to the Ducks with a 24-yard catch to close the third quarter, setting up the Red Raiders inside the Oregon 10-yard line at only a 13-0 deficit.

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

• Spent first three seasons of collegiate career with the Louisiana Ragin' Cajuns in Lafayette, La. ... played in 26 career games and made 15 starts at Louisiana ... considered one of the nation's top tight ends in the transfer portal.

• Combined for 76 receptions, 944 receiving yards and seven receiving touchdowns over 25 games the previous two seasons (2023-24) ... bulk of yardage came during a breakout sophomore season in 2024 ... appeared in only one game as a true freshman in 2022 ... combined for 990 offensive snaps over his three seasons at Louisiana according to Pro Football Focus.

• **2024 SEASON (JUNIOR at LOUISIANA):** started all 13 games during his junior year at Louisiana ... did not participate in Ragin' Cajuns bowl game ... tabbed to the All-Sun Belt first team in first season as the Rajin' Cajuns starting tight end ... ranked second on the team in receptions (48), receiving yards (689), receiving touchdowns (4) and receiving yards per game (53.0).

• Led all Sun Belt tight ends in receiving yards and receiving yards per game ... owned the seventh-most receiving yards by a tight end in the FBS and the eighth-most receiving yards per game ... had 404 yards after the catch, the fourth-most among FBS tight ends.

• Owned the fifth-best receiving grade (89.2) among all FBS tight ends according to Pro Football Focus ... caught 77.4 percent of his 62 targets, according to Pro Football Focus, which ranked as the fourth-best percentage among tight ends who were targeted 60 or more times ... credited with 653 offensive snaps by the publication, which awarded him an 82.5 overall offensive grade.

• Started the season with three receptions for 35 yards and a touchdown against Grambling (8/31) ... recorded three catches for 17 yards at Kennesaw State (9/7) the next week ... had four receptions for 79 yards and a touchdown versus Tulane (9/21) ... recorded one reception for 14 yards at Wake Forest (9/28) ... had a season-high seven receptions for 64 yards at Southern Miss (10/5).

• Notched his first career 100-yard receiving performance versus Appalachian State (10/12) with a four-catch, 107-yard game that included a Rajin' Cajin season-long 74-yard touchdown reception ... matched season-high of seven receptions at Coastal Carolina (10/19) with a season-best 149 receiving yards and one touchdown ... the contest included second-longest catch of the season, a 59-yard gain.

• Followed with four catches for 46 yards at Texas State (10/29) ... had three catches for 47 yards versus Arkansas State (11/9) ... recorded five receptions and 41 yards against South Alabama (11/16) ... had five receptions for 63 yards versus Troy (11/23) ... had two catches for 27 yards at ULM (11/30) ... did not record a catch in final game against Marshall in the Sun Belt title game (12/7).

• **2023 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at LOUISIANA):** appeared in 12 games as a sophomore with starts against Georgia State (Oct. 21) and Arkansas State (Nov. 4) ... caught 28 passes for 255 yards and three touchdowns in first full season ... recorded at least one catch in 11 of 12 games played during the season.

• Opened year with two receptions for season-high 42 yards against Northwestern State (Sept. 2) ... had season-long 35-yard grab and added a 30-yard kick return for Cajuns against their in-state opponent ... caught season-high five passes against Arkansas State (Nov. 4) ... caught touchdown passes in games against UAB (Sept. 16), Georgia State (Oct. 21) and Troy (Nov. 18) ... caught 22 passes over his final seven games of the season ... added three receptions in games against South Alabama (Oct. 28), Southern Miss (Nov. 9), ULM (Nov. 25) and Jacksonville State (Dec. 16).

• **2022 SEASON (FRESHMAN at LOUISIANA):** appeared in only one game during first season on campus ... made his collegiate debut in season-opener against Southeastern Louisiana.

HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Harker Heights High School in Killeen, Texas ... dynamic offensive weapon who made the switch from quarterback to tight end during prep career ... move ultimately helped generate his recruiting profile, landing him an early offer from Louisiana.

• Named the District 12-6A Offensive Most Valuable Player as a senior after catching 23 passes for 330 yards and six touchdowns ... previously caught 34



▲ **TERRANCE CARTER JR.**, pictured above scoring a two-point conversion, extended the Red Raiders' lead to 21-7 in the third quarter of Texas Tech's 34-7 Big 12 Championship victory. Carter finished his debut season as a Red Raider with 624 receiving yards, the most for a returning FBS tight end in 2026.

passes for 555 yards and six touchdowns as a junior ... also completed 21 of 36 passes for 246 yards and two passing touchdowns as a junior in 2020.

- Listed as a three-star prospect by 247Sports as part of the 2022 class ... ranked as the No. 83 tight end in the country and No. 183 among prospects from the state of Texas by the publication.

PERSONAL

- Terrance Carter Jr. ... born and raised in Killeen, Texas ... mother is CoQueee Jenkins ... father is Terrance Carter Sr ... has two younger siblings, Jayden and Kellen ... teammates call him "T.C."
- Earned a bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary studies from Texas Tech in spring 2026 ... currently enrolled in non-degree-seeking post-baccalaureate studies.

PARTICIPATION	2022*	2023*	2024*	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	1/0	12/2	13/13	13/12	39/27

* at Louisiana

CAREER STATS

RECEIVING	G	Rec	Yds	TD	Lg	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2022 (ULL)	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2023 (ULL)	12	28	255	3	35	2.3	9.1	21.3
2024 (ULL)	13	48	689	4	74	3.7	14.4	53.0
2025 (TTU)	13	55	624	5	50	4.2	11.3	48.0
Totals	39	131	1,568	12	74	3.4	12.0	40.2

ALL PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KR	IR	Total	Avg/G
2022 (ULL)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
2023 (ULL)	12	0	255	0	25	0	280	23.3
2024 (ULL)	13	0	689	0	0	0	689	53.0
2025 (TTU)	13	24	624	0	0	0	648	49.8
Totals	39	24	1,568	0	25	0	1,617	41.5

2025 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	LG	Rush	Yds	TD
Arkansas-Pine Bluff	*	3	42	2	14.0	21	0	0	0
Kent State	*	1	50	0	50.0	50	0	0	0
Oregon State	*	6	102	1	17.0	24	0	0	0
at Utah	*	7	49	1	7.0	24	0	0	0
at Houston	*	3	26	0	8.6	9	0	0	0
Kansas		3	28	1	9.2	21	0	0	0
at Arizona State	*	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Oklahoma State	DNP-injured								
at Kansas State	*	4	81	0	20.3	38	0	0	0
BYU	*	4	41	0	10.3	18	0	0	0
UCF	*	2	13	0	6.5	8	1	12	0
at West Virginia	*	10	98	0	9.8	27	0	0	0
vs. BYU	*	3	22	0	7.3	13	1	12	0
vs. Oregon	*	9	72	0	8.0	24	0	0	0
Totals		55	624	5	11.3	50	2	24	0

2024 GAME-BY-GAME (@ LOUISIANA)

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	LG	Rush	Yds	TD
Grambling	*	3	35	1	11.7	15	0	0	0
at Kennesaw St.	*	3	17	0	5.7	7	0	0	0
Tulane	*	4	79	1	19.8	36	0	0	0
at Wake Forest	*	1	14	0	14.0	14	0	0	0
at Southern Miss.	*	7	64	0	9.1	21	0	0	0
Appalachian State	*	4	107	1	26.8	74	0	0	0
at Coastal Carolina	*	7	149	1	21.2	59	0	0	0
at Texas State	*	4	46	0	11.5	14	0	0	0
Arkansas State	*	3	47	0	15.7	25	0	0	0
South Alabama	*	5	41	0	8.2	17	0	0	0
Troy	*	5	63	0	12.6	27	0	0	0
at UL Monroe	*	2	27	0	13.5	20	0	0	0
Marshall	*	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
vs. TCU	DNP								
Totals		48	689	4	14.4	74	0	0	0

2023 GAME-BY-GAME (@ LOUISIANA)

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	LG	Rush	Yds	TD
Northwestern State	2	42	0	21.0	35	0	0	0	0
at Old Dominion	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
at UAB	2	22	1	11.0	11	0	0	0	0
Buffalo	1	16	0	16.0	16	0	0	0	0
at Minnesota	1	5	0	5.0	5	0	0	0	0
Texas State	DNP								
Georgia State	*	4	20	1	5.0	8	0	0	0
at South Alabama	3	36	0	12.0	18	0	0	0	0
at Arkansas State	*	5	17	0	3.4	7	0	0	0
Southern Miss.	3	26	0	8.7	15	0	0	0	0
at Troy	1	4	1	4.0	4	0	0	0	0
UL Monroe	3	37	0	12.3	18	0	0	0	0
vs. Jacksonville State	3	30	0	10.0	20	0	0	0	0
Totals	28	255	3	9.1	35	0	0	0	0



Connor CARTY

OL | 6-4 | 305 | So. | 2nd Yr.
Prosper, Texas | Prosper HS
Career Games: 4 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in only four games as a true freshman, seeing time late in blowout victories over Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30), Kent State (9/6), Oregon State (9/13) and at West Virginia (11/29) ... combined for 44 offensive snaps during that span with only one pressure allowed in 14 pass-blocking opportunities.
- Scout team member ... recognized as the offensive scout team player of the week by the coaching staff following Texas Tech's victory over Houston (10/4) early in Big 12 play.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Prosper High School in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex ... a central piece to one of the best offensive lines in the state of Texas as a three-year starter ... the Eagles were a combined 32-7 over his three-year stretch working up front.
- A two-time All-District first team selection honoree after being recognized for District 6-6A as a senior and 5-6A first team as a junior ... helped lead Prosper to an 8-3 record as a senior and a runner-up finish in District 6-6A ... a key cog to an offense that scored a school record 84 points, including nine rushing touchdowns, in an 84-41 rout of Princeton on Oct. 31, 2024.
- Signing reunited him at Texas Tech with fellow Prosper alumnus Ellis Davis, who was part of the same offensive line units with the Eagles from 2022-23 ... Davis was a member of Texas Tech's 2024 signing class
- Named to the All-District 5-6A first team as a junior, side by side with Ellis Davis in 2023, making up two of the five selections on the offensive line ... helped the Eagles average nearly 40 points per game and over 400 total yards per game in the regular season en route to claiming the District 5-6A title.
- Competed for the track and field in addition to football ... recorded junior season shot put throws of 43-10 and 43-6.5, per MileSplit ... did not compete in track as a senior after signing with Texas Tech as a mid-year enrollee.
- Rated a four-star recruit by Rivals and a three-star prospect by On3, 247Sports and ESPN ... held a 247Sports four-star composite ranking ... ranked as the No. 46 interior offensive lineman in the country and No. 90 overall prospect in Texas, according to 247Sports ... one of the final additions to Texas Tech's early signing class in December.
- **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Arizona State, Arkansas, Baylor, Boston College, Duke, Florida, Houston, Kansas, LSU, Missouri, Nebraska, North Texas, Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, Ole Miss, Oregon, Penn State, Pittsburgh, Purdue, SMU, Stanford, TCU, Texas, UNLV, USC and Utah.

PERSONAL

- Connor Carty ... born and raised in Prosper, Texas, to parents ... son of Chad and Rebekah Carty ... his father was an NAIA all-American offensive lineman at Georgetown College (KY) ... has one sibling, Ryland.
- A leadership studies major at Texas Tech.



Jordan
CHURCH

OL | 6-4 | 320 | Sr. | 4th Yr. (1st at Tech)
Fort Myers, Fla. | IMG Academy | Florida Atlantic | Louisville
Career Games: 26 / Career Starts: 15

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PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Arrived at Texas Tech with two seasons of eligibility remaining, immediately bolstering the Red Raiders' depth up front ... spent the 2025 season at Louisville and the 2023-24 campaigns at Florida Atlantic ... played in 26 games at the collegiate level prior to arriving at Texas Tech with 15 starts, all at one of the two guard spots.
- Credited with 1,265 offensive snaps between those two spots by Pro Football Focus with only three sacks allowed and 27 pressures surrendered over 651 pass-blocking opportunities ... listed as the No. 6 interior offensive lineman to enter the transfer portal during the 2026 cycle by 247Sports and No. 11 overall by On3.
- 2025 SEASON (JUNIOR AT LOUISVILLE): appeared in all 13 games during his lone season with the Cardinals with three starts ... in the starting rotation for a three-game stretch early in the season against Bowling Green (9/20), Pittsburgh (9/27) and Virginia (10/4) ... credited with 514 offensive snaps played by Pro Football Focus, which was sixth among offensive linemen ... played at least 20 snaps in all but one game on the season, surrendering one sack and 12 pressures over 269 pass-blocking opportunities ... inserted primarily at right guard throughout the season.
- 2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE AT FLORIDA ATLANTIC): started all 12 games during second season as an Owl, all at left guard ... one of only two offensive linemen to start at the same position in all 12 games ... credited with 739 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him a 71.6 overall grade ... showed strong promise as a balanced offensive lineman with a 73.7 grade in pass blocking and a 72.2 grade in run blocking ... gave up two sacks and 15 pressures overall, per PFF, with vast majority of his total snaps coming at left guard.
- 2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN AT FLORIDA ATLANTIC): inserted in only one game during first collegiate season, which came in the opener versus Monmouth (9/2) ... ended the season as the primary backup at right guard.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended IMG Academy in Bradenton, Fla. for his final year at the prep level ... previously attended Dunbar High School in his hometown of Fort Myers, Fla. prior to transferring to IMG.
- Nominee for the Southwest Florida Offensive Player of the Year Award presented by the Naples Daily News and the News-Press as a junior after not giving up a sack from his left tackle position at Dunbar ... among the publication's top-15 players in the area as well ... helped push Dunbar to a district title and a Class 6A playoff berth that season ... garnered first team All-County accolades as well as third team All-State honors.
- Consensus three-star recruit out of high school by the likes of On3, 247Sports, ESPN and Rivals ... ranked as high as No. 66 among interior offensive linemen by ESPN ... received offers from the likes of Louisville, Tennessee, Pittsburgh, Florida State, Ole Miss, Missouri and Florida before signing with Florida Atlantic.

PERSONAL

- Jordan Church... born and raised in Fort Myers, Fla ... son of Corrie Church and Erika Gilmore ... has two siblings, Corrie Jr. and Myrackle.
- Enjoys to fish ... also wrestled and played basketball in grade school.
- A general studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2023*	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	1/0	12/12	13/3	26/15

* at Florida Atlantic | * at Louisville



Cash
CLEVELAND

OL | 6-2 | 300 | Jr. | 3rd Yr. (2nd at Tech) | 1L
Rockwell, Texas | IMG Academy | Colorado
Career Games: 12 / Career Starts: 4

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CAREER HONORS

- On3 Freshman All-American (Fr., 2024)
- 247Sports Freshman All-American (Fr., 2024)
- Pro Football Focus Freshman All-America Team (Fr., 2024)

2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Recovered from a preseason injury to ultimately appear in six games during his first season as a Red Raider ... listed as the primary backup to Sheridan Wilson at center beginning midway through the season but also played both guard spots at various points ... often considered the top backup at any of the interior OL positions.
- Credited with 158 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, the most for any backup offensive lineman ... snap count reached double digits in all five games entered, with 25-plus offensive plays in four of those ... publication had him at 101 snaps at left guard, 43 at center and 14 at right guard for the season ... surrendered only two pressures and no sacks over 72 pass-blocking opportunities, per PFF.
- Made debut off the bench at Arizona State (10/18), spelling Davion Carter for 12 snaps at right guard ... split time at both left guard and center during win over Oklahoma State (10/25) a week later ... saw the most playing time of the season at Kansas State (11/1), replacing an injured Will Jados at left guard for 54 snaps.
- Inserted into the lineup again in each of the final two regular-season games with 38 offensive snaps versus UCF (11/15) and 26 at West Virginia (11/29) ... split time between both left guard and center in the win over the Mountaineers and moved around to all three interior spots against the Knights ... awarded an 82.3 and 84.5 pass-blocking grade by PFF in those two wins ... previously received an 80.8 pass-blocking grade earlier in the year at Arizona State.

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Arrived at Texas Tech following one season at Big 12 counterpart Colorado ... played in six games as a true freshman for the Buffaloes, making starts in each of the final four contests.
- Earned Freshman All-America honors from the likes of On3, 247Sports and Pro Football Focus ... became the first Colorado true freshman walk-on to start at center for the Buffaloes in school history.
- Made his first career start against Utah (11/16) late in the 2024 season and proceeded to lead the Buffs at center the next three games at Kansas (11/23) and against Oklahoma State (11/29) and BYU (12/28) in the Valero Alamo Bowl ... made collegiate debut at Arizona (10/19) midway through Big 12 play.
- Earned first career start at Utah following an impressive performance off the bench against Texas Tech (11/9) ... played 68 offensive snaps against the Red Raiders and did not give up a pressure the entire game.
- Credited with 315 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, including 217 in pass-blocking opportunities ... allowed only one sack and three total pressures overall on the season ... awarded a 77.5 grade as a pass blocker, which ranked fifth nationally among underclassmen centers nationally and fourth from those in a power conference.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended IMG Academy in Bradenton, Fla. during final year of high school ... was the starting center for IMG as a senior ... previously started three seasons at Rockwall-Heath, outside of Dallas, Texas, prior to transferring to the IMG Academy.
- Garnered first team All-District 10-6A honors as a junior for a Heath program that advanced to the area round of the Class 6A Division II playoffs ... Heath made it a round further his sophomore year with an appearance in the regional semifinals.
- Named to the All-District 10-6A second team his sophomore season in 2021 ... earned starting job at center as only a freshman for a Heath team that fell to Cedar Hill in the regional finals.
- Tabbed a three-star prospect by On3 coming out of high school ... chose to walk-on with the Buffaloes over opportunities with Georgia Tech, Tennessee and USF.

PERSONAL

- Cash Cleveland... born in Dallas, Texas but calls Rockwall-Heath is hometown ... son of Coy Cleveland and Lindy Heath ... has eight siblings.
- His brother, Corban, played wide receiver at Ohio State (2022).
- A leadership studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2024*	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	6/4	6/0	12/4

* at Colorado



Jayden COFIELD

DL | 6-2 | 330 | Sr. | 4th Yr. | 2L
Austin, Texas | Manor HS
Career Games: 30 / Career Starts: 2

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2025 SEASON (JUNIOR)

- Important part of Texas Tech's defensive line rotation as a senior ... appeared in all 14 games as the primary backup to Lee Hunter at noseguard.
- Recorded 24 tackles on the season (8 solo), including 3.5 for a loss and a shared sack ... added a fumble recovery that was part of Texas Tech's FBS-leading 32 takeaways on the season ... notched at least one tackle in nine of 14 games and had multiple stops in seven of those contests.
- Set a career high with five tackles in the shutout win over Oklahoma State (10/25) midway through Big 12 play ... performance included a shared tackle for loss, which led to a 3-and-out drive for the Cowboys late in the second quarter ... broke his previous career high that was set twice in 2024 against North Texas and in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl versus Arkansas.
- Finished with three tackles in five different games - versus Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30), Oregon State (9/13), Kansas (10/11), UCF (11/15) and at West Virginia (11/29) ... performance against UCF included 1.5 tackles for loss and his lone shared sack of the season ... combined with John Curry for a four-yard sack on UCF's first drive of the second half ... earlier stuff UCF on a running play in the first quarter that resulted in a three-yard loss and eventual punt.
- Recovered a fumble midway through the fourth quarter of the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship versus BYU (12/6) for Texas Tech's fourth and final takeaway in the win ... fumble was caused by John Curry, giving the Red Raiders the ball back at the BYU 37-yard line ... the Red Raiders ultimately settled for a Stone Harrington 28-yard field goal on the ensuing drive to take a 34-7 lead ... marked the first direct involvement in a takeaway during his career.
- Credited with 287 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him a 73.8 overall grade ... had an 80.6 grade in rush defense alone, which ranked ninth on the team for a Red Raider defense that led the FBS by allowing only 68.1 yards a game on the ground ... marked the highest two grades so far in his career for both categories.

2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Entered the defensive line rotation as a sophomore ... appeared in all 13 games with two starts at Washington State and in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl versus Arkansas ... was the only interior defensive lineman to play in all 13 games.
- Finished with 23 tackles, including 4.5 for loss and 2.0 sacks, on the season ... led all interior defensive linemen in tackles as a consistent presence in the two-deep ... ranked tied for third on the team in tackles for loss, trailing only Jacob Rodriguez (10.5) and A.J. McCarty (6.5) ... added two quarterback hurries and a pass breakup as well.
- Recorded at least one tackle in 11 of 13 games overall with a season high of four against both North Texas (9/14) and Arkansas (12/27) ... notched at least two stops in seven different games.
- Credited with 343 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which was third in the interior defensive line room ... publication awarded him with a 62.7 overall grade after totaling seven total pressures on the season (2.0 sacks, quarterback hit and four hurries) ... productive with 17 defensive "stop" tackles, according to PFF, which resulted in a negative play for the offense ... led the defensive line and ranked fourth on the team for total "stop" tackles.
- Recorded one tackle in the season opener versus Abilene Christian (8/31), which went for a two-yard loss ... the tackle for loss came at a pivotal time for the Red Raiders, halting ACU on a 4th-and-1 attempt to give the Red Raiders the ball back near midfield ... marked the first tackle for loss of his career at the time.
- Followed with three tackles at Washington State (9/7), which surpassed his entire career total at the time ... performance coincided with his first career start ... credited with 33 defensive snaps by PFF, his third-highest total on the season ... set a new career high with four tackles in the rout over North Texas (9/14) a week later ... received a 74.7 overall grade in the win, which was his highest of the season.
- Opened Big 12 play with a tackle in the win over Arizona State (9/21) ... followed with two tackles in the win over Cincinnati (9/28), including a two-yard sack that marked the first of his career ... sack came on 1st-and-goal for the Bearcats at the Red Raider 7-yard line, which ultimately forced Cincinnati into a 26-yard field goal ... recorded one tackle in the win at Arizona (10/5) to go along with his first of two quarterback hurries on the season.
- Notched two stops against Baylor (10/19), his fourth multi-tackle performance of the season at that point ... totaled three tackles in the top 10 road win at Iowa

State (11/2), including one for a one-yard loss that stuffed the Cyclones on 3rd-and-10 in the fourth quarter ... wrapped the regular season with two tackles against West Virginia (11/30), including his second sack of the season, which went for a nine-yard loss ... sack came on 3rd-and-8 to force a punt by the Mountaineers near midfield.

- Matched his career high with four tackles in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl against Arkansas (12/27) to go along with a quarterback hurry and his lone pass breakup on the season ... had one tackle go for a four-yard loss on first down, which led to an Arkansas 3-and-out midway through the second quarter.

2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in three games overall during first season as a red Raider with two being during Big 12 play and the other in the Independence Bowl win over Cal (12/16) ... was a scout team member during majority of the season.
- Registered one tackle in limited action, which came in his collegiate debut against Houston (9/30) ... also saw action in the regular-season finale at Texas (11/24).

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Manor High School in his hometown of Manor, Texas, outside of Austin ... four-year varsity letterwinner between his time at Manor as well as Del Valle High School during his freshman and sophomore seasons.
- Selected to the All-District teams in each of his four seasons ... was a unanimous first team All-District 25-6A selection as a senior after pushing Manor to a 7-4 record and a Class 6A playoff appearance ... garnered District 11-5A Defensive Newcomer of the Year honors as a junior in 2021 ... helped push Manor to an appearance in the Class 5A Division I area round that season.
- Combined for 111 tackles, including 37.0 tackles for loss and eight sacks during his two seasons at Manor alone ... also had six forced fumbles and three fumble recoveries during that span with one being returned for a touchdown.
- Collected second team All-District 25-6A accolades at Del Valle High School as a freshman in 2019 and first team honors as a sophomore ... credited with 51 tackles as a sophomore, including 10.0 tackles for loss and 4.0 sacks.
- Member of the school's varsity powerlifting and track and field programs during prep career.
- Consensus three-star recruit by the likes of 247Sports, Rivals, ESPN and ON3.com ... listed as the No. 44 defensive tackle in the country by Rivals and at No. 45 according to ESPN.
- **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Arizona State, Baylor, Houston, Kansas, Minnesota, SMU, TCU, UTSA and Washington State.

PERSONAL

- Jayden Jeffrey Cofield ... son of Kevin and Angelia Cofield ... has twin younger siblings, Jaila and Jaxson.
- Mother was previously a volleyball student-athlete at the University of Houston.
- An interdisciplinary studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2023	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	3/0	13/2	14/0	30/2

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	Pbu	FF	FR	Blkd	QBH
2023	3	1	0	1	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2024	13	11	12	23	4.5	17	1	0	0	0	2
2025	14	8	16	24	3.5	9	0	0	1	0	0
Totals	30	20	28	48	8.0	26	1	0	1	0	2

SACKS	G	UA	A	Total	Yds
2023	3	0	0	0.0	0
2024	13	2	0	2.0	11
2025	14	0	1	0.5	2
Totals	30	2	1	2.5	13

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2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	INT	QBH
Ark-Pine Bluff	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Kent State	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0
Oregon State	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Utah	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Houston	1	1	2	0.0-0	1.0-1	0	0	0	0	0
Kansas	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Arizona State	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Oklahoma State	0	5	5	0.0-0	0.5-2	0	0	0	0	0
at Kansas State	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
BYU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
UCF	2	1	3	0.5-2	1.5-5	0	0	0	0	0
at West Virginia	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. BYU	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1	0	0	0
vs. Oregon	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	8	16	24	0.5-2	3.5-9	0	1	0	0	0

2024 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	INT	QBH
Abilene Christian	1	0	1	0.0-0	1.0-2	0	0	0	0	0
at Washington St. *	3	0	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
North Texas	0	4	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Arizona State	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati	1	1	2	1.0-2	1.0-2	0	0	0	0	0
at Arizona	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	1
Baylor	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at TCU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Iowa State	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.5-0	0	0	0	0	0
Colorado	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Oklahoma St.	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
West Virginia	2	0	2	1.0-9	1.0-9	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Arkansas *	2	2	4	0.0-0	1.0-4	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	11	12	23	2.0-11	4.5-17	0	0	0	0	2



Jacob CROW

OL | 6-9 | 310 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Knoxville, Tenn. | Alcoa HS

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Alcoa High School ... huge upside with the Red Raiders due to his size, making him an ideal tackle prospect ... one of the first high schools to sign with the Red Raiders out of the state of Tennessee in recent years.
- Key member of one of the most dominant high school programs in the state of Tennessee ... helped push Alcoa to its 11th-consecutive TSSAA Division I Class 4A state title his senior year after a 47-27 victory over Pearl-Cohn ... state title capped a 14-1 season for Alcoa in its first season at the Class 4A level ... the Tornadoes previously went 13-1 his junior year en route to a Class 3A state championship.
- Team captain for the Tornadoes his senior year, his second season as a starter on the offensive lineman ... garnered first team All-State honors following both his junior and senior seasons by the Tennessee Sports Writers Association ... tabbed the Region 2-4A Offensive Lineman of the Year following his senior year after bolstering an offense that averaged 46 points per game heading into the state championship game.
- Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, 247Sports and ESPN ... rated the No. 18 player in the state of Texas by Rivals and the No. 50 offensive tackle nationally ... was in the top-30 prospects in the Vol state by each of the other two publications as well.
- Committed to Texas Tech on June 8, 2025 ... midyear enrollee who arrived on campus in January 2026 ... CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER: Virginia Tech, Florida Atlantic, Memphis, Coastal Carolina and others.

PERSONAL

- Jacob Crow ... born in Albuquerque, New Mexico, grew up in Texas before moving to Tennessee in the eighth grade ... son to Jerry and Janna Crow ... has two siblings, Jonathan and Annie.
- Interests are fishing, weightlifting and hunting outside of football.
- An education major at Texas Tech.



John CURRY

LB | 6-2 | 235 | Sr. | 4th Yr. | 2L
Lubbock, Texas | Coronado HS
Career Games: 32 / Career Starts: 14

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CAREER HONORS

- Honorable Mention All-Big 12 (2025, Jr.)

2025 SEASON (JUNIOR)

- Switched from his normal position at inside linebacker to start preseason camp to the "star" position due to multiple injuries at the position ... refused to give up the starting spot, winning the job during preseason camp and eventually starting in all 14 games for the Red Raiders ... was one of eight Red Raiders on the defensive side of the ball to start in all 14 games and one of 15 players on the team to do so.
- Finished fourth on the team with 72 tackles (36 solo), including 3.5 for a loss and a shared sack ... one of four Red Raiders with 70-plus tackles on the season, marking the first time Texas Tech has done so since 2015 ... the Red Raiders were joined by Arizona as the only Big 12 programs with four or more players with 70-plus tackles and one of 17 schools nationally to do so ... recorded multiple stops in all but one game on the season and had five or more tackles in nine different contests.
- Able to stretch the field in coverage with four pass breakups and get in the backfield with a pair of quarterback hurries ... contributed to Texas Tech's FBS-leading 32 takeaways as well with a forced fumble and two fumble recoveries, all of which came during Big 12 play.
- Credited with 745 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which ranked sixth on the team and marked the most in his career ... highly-rated by the publication with an 81.0 overall grade that was boosted by an 82.6 grade in run defense, an 81.4 grade as a tackler and an 83.2 grade in coverage ... one of three Red Raiders to rank at 80.0 or above in three different categories, joining Ben Roberts and David Bailey.
- AWARDS AND HONORS: an honorable mention All-Big 12 selection by the conference coaches.
- SEASON HIGHLIGHTS: Began the season with three tackles in the season-opening win over Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30), including one for a loss ... sniffed out a screen pass to stuff UAPB for a six-yard loss on the final play before halftime ... combined for 12 tackles the next two weeks to close the non-conference slate with five stops versus Kent State (9/6) and seven against Oregon State (9/13) ... added his first pass breakup of the season versus the Beavers, which led to a third-down stop and a punt to end Oregon State's second drive of the game.
- Opened Big 12 play with seven tackles again the next week in a road win at Utah (9/20) ... added a fumble recovery in the victory as well, the first of his career ... landed on a fumble recovery caused by Ben Roberts late in the first quarter, giving the Red Raiders the ball near midfield ... the Red Raiders were intercepted two plays later and could not capitalize on the takeaway.
- Combined for 15 stops the next three games with five at Houston (10/4), six versus Kansas (10/11) and four at Arizona State (10/18) ... identified a short pass in the red zone against the Sun Devils for a two-yard loss, leading to a field goal from Arizona State ... added a pass breakup in the second half as well.
- Followed with two tackles in the shutout victory over Oklahoma State (10/25) and six stops at Kansas State (11/1) ... performance in Manhattan included a key fumble recovery late in the fourth quarter that was returned 10 yards for a touchdown ... scooped up a loose ball from a Romello Height sack to push the Red Raiders' lead to 36-20 with 4:52 remaining in regulation ... previously had broken up a fourth-down pass earlier in the quarter.
- Recorded seven tackles in the regular-season win over BYU (11/6), with one of those leading to a fourth-down stop near the line to gain in the fourth quarter ... notched his first career sack a week later as part of four tackles against UCF (11/15) ... got home at the same time as Jayden Cofield for his first career sack on UCF's first drive of the second half ... wrapped the regular season with one tackle and a quarterback hurry two weeks later at West Virginia (11/29).
- Put together maybe his best performance of his young career in the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship with 10 tackles, a forced fumble and a pass breakup in the win over BYU (12/6) ... helped lead his hometown school to its first Big 12 title with his first career game with double-digit tackles ... broke up a fourth-down pass midway through the second quarter and added a tackle for loss on the next drive, leading to a BYU punt ... helped the Red Raiders put the game away by forcing a fumble from LJ Martin that was recovered by Jayden Cofield ... the Red Raiders scored five plays later for a 34-7 lead with 4:39 remaining.
- Victory pushed the Red Raiders to their first College Football Playoff appearance ... recorded five tackles in the Capital One Orange Bowl versus Oregon (1/11).

2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Appeared in all 13 games not only on defense but as one of Texas Tech's most-frequently utilized special teams standouts ... joined the inside linebacker rotation as only a sophomore.
- Recorded 35 tackles (18 solo) to go along with an interception and one quarterback hurry ... had one assisted tackle for loss that resulted in a one-yard loss ... ranked seventh on the team in tackles and third among the linebacker room ... had at least one tackle in 12 of 13 games overall with three or more stops in five different contests.
- Credited with 215 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus after regularly entering on key downs ... saw double-digit snaps as a linebacker in 10 of 13 games overall, including six times during Big 12 play and again in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl.
- Finished as Texas Tech's most-active player on special teams by a large margin ... credited with 272 snaps on special teams by PFF, which easily led the team ... next-closest player was Wesley Smith with 206 snaps of his own on special teams ... member of every special teams unit at different points in the year but was primarily on kickoff return and kickoff coverage ... received a 71.2 special teams grade by PFF, which led all non-specialists with at least 60 snaps.
- Made his first career tackle in the season-opening win over Abilene Christian (8/31) ... followed with two tackles at Washington State (9/7) to go along with his lone quarterback hurry of the season ... closed non-conference play with five tackles in the win over North Texas (9/14) ... inserted for 33 defensive snaps in the rout, which marked his second-highest total on the season.
- Opened Big 12 play with four tackles in victory over Arizona State (9/21) ... recorded three tackles in his nine snaps on defense and added another on special teams ... next big outing came at TCU (10/26) with three stops on defense, grading out at 79.2 as a tackler by PFF afterwards ... was one of six times on the year to receive a 70.0 or higher grade as a tackler.
- Kicked off a strong end to the season with two tackles in the win at Oklahoma State (11/23) ... combined for 16 of his 35 tackles on the season over the final three games of the season against the Cowboys as well as West Virginia (11/30) and Arkansas (12/27) in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl.
- Set a career high with seven tackles, including his first stop behind the line of scrimmage in the rout of the Mountaineers ... combined with Chapman Lewis for a two-yard loss on 3rd-and-3 to end West Virginia's opening drive with a punt ... credited with playing a season-high 37 defensive snaps in the win... added his first career interception, which came on the final play of the game ... received an overall defensive grade of 78.4 by PFF that was his third-highest of the season ... included an 83.9 grade in run defense and an 83.7 in tackling.
- Wrapped his first full season as a Red Raider by matching his career high of seven tackles versus Arkansas ... awarded with his second-highest overall defensive grade of the season at 79.7 by PFF ... grade featured an 81.6 rating in run defense and an 82.4 as a tackler.

2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in five games during first season as a Red Raider, including four times during Big 12 play and again in the Independence Bowl victory over Cal (12/16) ... scout team member.
- Utilized on special teams as part of the kickoff and punt return units ... credited with appearing in 30 snaps via special teams ... made his collegiate debut against Kansas State (10/14) and proceeded to see action in each of the next three games versus BYU (10/21), TCU (11/2) and Kansas (11/11).

HIGH SCHOOL

- Local product out of Coronado High School in Lubbock ... three-year varsity letterwinner for the Mustangs, leading Coronado to a pair of district titles and playoff appearances, including a trip to the Class 5A Division I regional semifinals his sophomore year.
- Compiled 260 tackles during his prep career en route to earning All-District honors as both a junior and senior ... was an honorable mention All-District 2-5A selection as a senior and a first-team honoree his junior season.
- Recorded 119 tackles as a senior alone, including 7.0 sacks and 11.0 tackles for loss ... caused three fumbles that season with two recoveries while also blocking one punt as one of the best linebackers in West Texas ... selected to the final ballot for the Whataburger Super Team presented by Dave Campbell's Texas Football as a senior
- Additionally served as Coronado's punter, earning second team All-District honors as a senior after averaging 39.2 yards per punt with a long of 78 yards ... downed 10 of his 44 punts on the season inside the opponent's 20-yard line.
- Recognized for work in the classroom as a first team Academic All-State honoree by the THSCA ... AP student who was a three-time selection (2020-22) for Academic Honor Roll and "Who's Who in America."

- Standout for the Coronado baseball program, earning first team All-District honors and second team THSCA All-State accolades as an outfielder his junior year.
- Committed to head coach Joey McGuire not long after his hiring at Texas Tech after being presented with his first Division-I offer ... considered a three-star prospect by the likes of 247Sports, Rivals, ESPN and ON3.com ... listed as the No. 45 inside linebacker prospect in the country by ESPN.

PERSONAL

- John Daniel Curry ... born in Lubbock to parents Ryan Curry and Jolee Luce ... has four other siblings in Braidy Curry, Quin Curry, Haylee Luce and Logan Luce.
- Parents are both former Texas Tech student-athletes, as father was a member of the football and track programs from 1999-01, while mother was a standout women's basketball student-athlete under head coach Marsha Sharp from 2000-04.
- Named after his grandfather, the late John Ayers, who starred at West Texas A&M before a successful 11-year career in the NFL with the San Francisco 49ers and Denver Broncos ... grandfather was a two-time Super Bowl champion (XVI, XIX) as an offensive lineman with the 49ers and was a member of the Broncos for Super Bowl XXII.
- Lifelong dream was to become a student-athlete at Texas Tech.
- Earned a bachelor's degree in sport management from Texas Tech in spring 2026 ... currently enrolled in an interdisciplinary studies master's program.

PARTICIPATION	2023	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	5/0	13/0	14/14	32/14

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2023	5	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
2024	13	18	17	35	0.5	1	0	0	0	1
2025	14	36	36	72	3.5	10	1	2	4	0
Totals	32	54	53	107	4.0	11	1	2	4	1

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	PBU	INT
Ark.-Pine Bluff	*	1	2	3	0.0-0	1.0-6	0	0	0	0
Kent State	*	0	5	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Oregon State	*	2	5	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	1	0
at Utah	*	4	3	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1	0	0
at Houston	*	4	1	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Kansas	*	4	2	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Arizona State	*	2	2	4	0.0-0	1.0-2	0	0	1	0
Oklahoma State	*	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Kansas State	*	6	0	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1	1	0
BYU	*	4	3	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
UCF	*	0	4	4	0.5-2	0.5-2	0	0	0	0
at West Virginia	*	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. BYU	*	5	5	10	0.0-0	1.0-0	1	0	1	0
vs. Oregon	*	2	3	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Totals		36	36	72	0.5-2	3.5-10	1	2	4	0

2024 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	INT	QBH
Abilene Christian	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Washington St.	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	1
North Texas	3	2	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Arizona State	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Arizona	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Baylor	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at TCU	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Iowa State	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Colorado	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Oklahoma St.	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
West Virginia	2	5	7	0.0-0	0.5-1	0	0	1	0	0
vs. Arkansas	3	4	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	18	17	35	0.0-0	0.5-1	0	0	1	1	1



Ellis DAVIS

OL | 6-7 | 305 | Jr. | 3rd Yr.
Prosper, Texas | Prosper HS
Career Games: 0 / Career Starts: 0

2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Did not see any game action as a sophomore ... scout team member.

2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Did not see any game action during first season on campus ... scout team member ... recognized as the scout team offensive player of the week following Texas Tech's win over Arizona State in the Big 12 opener.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Prosper High School in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex ... the Eagles had a perfect 7-0 season in district play to claim the 5-6A crown his senior year in 2023 under head coach Tyler Moore ... advanced to the regional semifinal round of the Class 6A Division I playoffs defeating Plano East in the first round and Lake Highlands in the area round ... fell to North Crowley in the regional semifinal, marking just their second loss all season before finishing 11-2 overall.
- Named a unanimous first team All-District 5-6A offensive selection as a senior ... led an offensive front that cleared the way for a ground game that produced 196.7 rushing yards per game ... recognized as an Under Armour All-American in the fall of 2023 and participated in the game held in Orlando, Fla. the following January.
- Garnered third team All-District 5-6A honors as a junior ... combined to not allow a single sack over 28 games during junior and senior seasons.
- Considered a consensus four-star recruit by Rivals, On3, ESPN and 247Sports ... listed as a top-300 prospect by the likes of On3 (No. 135), 247Sports (No. 190) and ESPN (No. 282) ... ranked as high as No. 22 among state of Texas recruits by On3 and No. 11 among offensive tackles nationally ... was No. 31 among recruits in the Lone Star State by 247Sports and No. 16 among offensive tackles.
- **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** TCU, Texas A&M, SMU, Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, Penn State, Auburn, Florida State, Oregon, Stanford, Tennessee and Utah among others.

PERSONAL

- Ellis Davis ... son of Josh and Kellie Davis ... born in Fort Myers, Fla. ... has three siblings - Gwyneth, Laine and Kenadee.
- Enjoys cars, hiking and fishing in his free time outside of football.
- A management major at Texas Tech.



Michael DEVER

WR | 6-1 | 195 | So. | 2nd Yr.
Lubbock, Texas | Lubbock Cooper HS
Career Games: 4 / Career Starts: 0

2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in three games during the regular season and then again in the Capital One Orange Bowl versus Oregon (1/1) ... saw time late in Texas Tech's blowout wins over Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30), Kent State (9/6) and UCF (11/15) ... made his first career catch against Kent State, resulting in seven yards ... scout team member.

HIGH SCHOOL

- A local product out of Lubbock Cooper High School ... powered LCP to an 8-4 regular season record as a senior in under head coach Chip Darden after the Pirates exited the Class 5A playoffs in the area round ... regarded as one of the top athletes in West Texas.
- Set the LCP single-season record as a senior with 1,206 yards and 17 receiving yards on 68 catches ... added five more scores with three kickoff return touchdowns and two rushing touchdowns ... tabbed the Offensive MVP of District 2-5A as a senior after previously earning first team accolades his junior year.
- Accounted for six receptions for 93 yards and touchdowns in the Pirates 34-28 loss to Prosper's Walnut Grove in the area round of the playoffs ... one of his three kickoff returns came against Abilene Cooper, a 98-yard return on the opening kickoff of the game ... was part of a four-touchdown game versus Abilene Cooper, accounting for all three touchdowns scored in the first quarter and a fourth coming on a 57-yard run in the second quarter as the Pirates took a 42-3 lead

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into the locker rooms at halftime ... the performance made him a nominee for Dave Campbell Texas Football Mr. Texas Football Player of the Week.

- Recorded 40 receptions on 50 targets for 672 yards and 11 touchdowns as a junior en route to leading the Pirates to an area round appearance ... in addition to being a wide receiver, played running back and defensive back during high school career.
- A three-sport athlete for the Pirates as a member of the basketball and track teams ... advanced to the 2024 Class 5A UIL state track & field meet in the high jump as a junior, placing sixth with a leap of 6 feet, 2 inches ... finished second at regionals with a 6 feet, 8 inches leap (PR) that ranked him 17th in the state.
- Flipped initial commitment from Colorado State to the Red Raiders on July 4, 2024, marking the third-straight Texas Tech signing class with a member of the LCP program ... tabbed a four-star prospect by On3 and a three-star signee by 247Sports, ESPN and Rivals ... was a four-star recruit according to 247Sports' composite ratings ... listed as the No. 23 recruit in the state by On3 ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Colorado State, Memphis, North Texas, Texas State and Wyoming.

PERSONAL

- Michael Dever ... son of Michael Dever and Kaiya Lilly ... born in Wichita Falls, Texas ... has one older sibling, Akwaun ... goes by Mike with friends and family.
- Both parents are former collegiate athletes with his dad playing basketball and mom running track.
- A management major at Texas Tech.



Cameron DICKEY

RB | 5-10 | 215 | Jr. | 3rd Yr. | 2L
Austin, Texas | Crockett HS
Career Games: 26 / Career Starts: 9

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CAREER HONORS

- All-Big 12 Second Team (2025, So.)
- Doak Walker Award Semifinalist (2025, So.)
- Associated Press All-Big 12 First Team (2025, So.)
- DCTF All-Texas College First Team (2025, So.)
- Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award, Player of the Week - Nov. 11 (2025, So.)
- Big 12 Offensive Player of the Week - Nov. 10 (2025, So.)
- Walter Camp National Offensive Player of the Week - Oct. 14 (2025, So.)
- Doak Walker National Running Back of the Week - Oct. 14 (2025, So.)
- Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award, Player of the Week - Oct. 14 (2025, So.)
- First-Team Midseason DCTF All-Texas CFB Team (2025, So.)
- PFF National Team of the Week, RB - Oct. 13 (2025, So.)
- Big 12 Offensive Player of the Week - Oct. 13 (2025, So.)

2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Put together one of the top rushing seasons by a Red Raider in school history as a sophomore ... all the while, combined with J'Koby Williams to form one of the most-dynamic rushing duos in the country while appearing in all 14 games, including nine starts.
- Became the ninth Red Raider in program history to rush for 1,000 yards in a season after totaling 1,124 rushing yards and 14 touchdowns on 209 carries ... marked the 14th different 1,000-yard rushing season by a Red Raider in history and the third in as many years ... the Red Raiders previously had consecutive 1,000-yard rushing seasons by Tajh Brooks in 2023-24, marking the first time in program history to have a 1,000-yard rusher in three-straight seasons ... finished 12th on the Texas Tech single-season rushing chart despite recording the second-fewest carries in school history for a 1,000-yard rusher, trailing only the 188 for DeAndre Washington in 2014.
- Paired with Williams to mark the first time in school history the Red Raiders have boasted multiple 800-yard rushers in the same season ... the Red Raiders were one of only four power conference schools to have multiple running backs with at least 800 rushing yards ... the two helped push Texas Tech to 2,560 rushing yards on the season as a team, its most since joining the Big 12 in 1996 ... the Red Raiders also averaged 182.9 rushing yards per game as a team, their highest average since 2015 and the fourth-highest clip of the Big 12 era.
- Notched only two 100-yard games on the season, the fewest for a 1,000-yard rusher in program history ... consistent, though, rushing for at least 50 yards in 10 of 14 games and hitting the 70-yard mark six times, including in four of the final five contests ... carried at least 10 times in 12 of 14 games overall with the two exceptions being eight attempts in an early rout of Kent State and nine rushes at Arizona State.
- Able to contribute in the passing game as well with 25 catches for 224 yards and



▲ **CAMERON DICKEY** rushed for 263 yards and two touchdowns versus Kansas on Oct. 11, 2025, recording the fifth-highest rushing total on the season for an FBS player. He finished his sophomore season with 1,124 yards, becoming the ninth Red Raider in program history to eclipse 1,000 rushing yards.

two touchdowns ... only the third Red Raider in program history to rush for at least 1,000 yards in a season and also have 200 or more receiving yards, joining the likes of Byron Hanspard (1995) and DeAndre Washington (2014-15) ... combined for 16 touchdowns altogether, which ranked among the national leaders.

- Combined for 1,357 all-purpose yards, which ranked second on the team behind only fellow running back J'Koby Williams (1,525) ... averaged an impressive 96.9 all-purpose yards per game ... marked only the seventh time in program history and the first time since 2015 that Texas Tech had two players with at least 1,300 all-purpose yards in the same season ... was the first time, however, that both players were part of the running back room ... the Red Raiders were one of two teams nationally (Florida Atlantic) to boast multiple players with 1,300 all-purpose yards on the season but was the lone team to do so with both being running backs.
- Credited with 560 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which led the running backs room and ranked 11th on the team ... received a 76.0 overall grade by the publication, which included an 81.3 grade as a rusher ... totaled 722 yards after contact, per PFF, after forcing 51 missed tackles on the season ... originally slated to have a bigger role on special teams to start the season but limited to being part of the kickoff return unit only for three games, normally in key moments.

- **IN TEXAS TECH RECORD BOOK:** placed his name among the school single-season leaders, ranking tied for seventh with 14 rushing touchdowns, while his 1,128 rushing yards was the 12th-highest total in program history ... rushed for 263 yards in the win over Kansas, which ranked fifth in Texas Tech single-game history ... performance only trailed the 287 yards Byron Hanspard had versus Duke in 1996 as well as his 272 yards that same year versus Oklahoma State ... James Gray also ranks second all-time with 280 yards in the 1989 All-America Bowl versus Duke, while James Hadnot is just ahead in fourth with 268 rushing yards in a 1978 contest versus New Mexico.

- **AWARDS AND HONORS:** an All-Big 12 second team selection by the conference coaches, marking the third-consecutive year a Red Raider running back was named to the first or second team ... tabbed to the All-Big 12 first team by the Associated Press as well as the All-Texas first team by Dave Campbell's Texas Football ... one of 10 semifinalists for the Doak Walker Award, which is presented to the nation's top running back ... received a slew of in-season weekly awards for his game performance, the bulk of which came after his career outing versus Kansas (10/11) ... named the Big 12 Offensive Player of the Week, Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Player of the Week, the Doak Walker National Running Back of the Week and the Walter Camp National Offensive Player of the Week for his performance ... member of the National Team of the Week compiled by Pro Football Focus that same week ... later recognized as the Big 12 Offensive Player of the Week and the Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award Player of the Week again following Texas Tech's win over BYU (11/8).

- **IN NCAA RANKINGS:** among the top players in the country at finding the end zone, ending the year ranked tied for ninth nationally for total touchdowns (16) and tied for 20th for rushing touchdowns (14) ... his 1,124 rushing yards on the ground ranked 24th in the FBS overall ... also ranked 43rd for rushing yards per game (80.3) ... ranked among the most-explosive backs in college football with 12 rushes of at least 20 yards, which was tied for 14th nationally.

- **IN BIG 12 RANKINGS:** was the league leader for both total touchdowns (16) and rushing touchdowns (14) and ranked third for total rushing yards (1,124), fourth for rushing yards per game (80.3), seventh for total points scored (98) as well as eighth for scoring per game (7.0) and all-purpose yards per game (96.9) ... his 12

rushes of at least 20 yards also shared the league high, while his 30 attempts of 10 or more yards was third overall.

- **SEASON HIGHLIGHTS:** Best performance of the season came in the home victory over Kansas (10/11) after rushing for 263 yards and two touchdowns, the fifth-highest rushing total in program history ... could not be stopped against the Jayhawks, recording the fifth-highest rushing total on the season for an FBS player and the second-highest in the Big 12 ... was the first 100-yard game of his career and the first 200-yard outing by a Red Raider since DeAndre Washington hit the mark versus Kansas State in 2015 ... marked the third-highest rushing total for a Red Raider in a Big 12 game, trailing only the school record 287 yards Byron Hanspard had against Baylor in 1996 and then his 272 yards that same season versus Oklahoma State ... the Red Raiders totaled 372 rushing yards as a team versus the Jayhawks, their most since racking up 453 yards on the ground against Louisiana early in the 1997 season.

- Both of his rushing touchdowns against the Jayhawks were explosive runs of 50-plus yards ... exploded up the middle for a 71-yard scamper on Texas Tech's first offensive play of the game to give the Red Raiders an early 7-0 lead ... marked the longest rushing play of his career and the longest by a Red Raider since SaRodorick Thompson went 75 yards versus Texas in 2020 ... was the longest run by a Red Raider on the season ... sealed the win later in the game with a 55-yard touchdown run early in the fourth quarter to give the Red Raiders a 35-17 lead ... received numerous weekly awards for the performance, including national honors from the Walter Camp Foundation, Doak Walker Award and Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award.

- Previously opened the season with a rushing touchdown in each of the first four games, kicking off that stretch with 13 carries for 90 yards and a score versus Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) ... touchdown run came via a 2-yard scamper just before halftime to give the Red Raiders a 47-0 lead ... had a touchdown in each of the first six games overall when incorporating scores from the air.

- Limited to season lows with eight carries for 10 yards the next week versus Kent State (9/6) but two of those attempts went for touchdowns ... marked the first of three multi-touchdown games of the season ... both touchdowns came near the goal line with short runs from 2 and 1-yard out to help push the Red Raiders to a 48-0 halftime lead ... closed non-conference play with 16 carries for 65 yards and a touchdown against Oregon State (9/13), finding the end zone on a 4-yard scamper early in the fourth quarter.

- Opened Big 12 play a week later with 13 carries for 67 yards and a pair of touchdowns at Utah (9/20) ... capped Texas Tech's opening drive with a 1-yard touchdown run to give the Red Raiders an early 7-0 lead ... helped push the game out of reach later in the fourth quarter with a 24-yard touchdown run up the middle for a 27-10 lead.

- Snapped his streak of having a rushing touchdown at Houston (10/4) with 20 carries for 96 yards in the win ... still found the end zone via a 69-yard touchdown reception late in the first quarter ... took a pass over the middle to not only convert 3rd-and-4 but record the longest reception of his career ... marked the second-longest by a Red Raider on the season, trailing only the 73-yarder by J'Koby Williams two weeks prior at Utah ... touchdown pushed the Red Raiders lead to 15-3 late in the opening quarter.

- Only game during the regular season without a touchdown followed the Kansas game at Arizona State (10/18) ... had nine carries for 40 yards versus the Sun Devils ... came back the next week with 13 carries for 47 yards and touchdown in the shutout win over Oklahoma State (10/25) ... touchdown came on a 7-yard yard late in the first quarter that pushed Texas Tech's lead to 21-0 at the time.

- Began the month of November by carrying 21 times for 68 yards and a touchdown in the road win at Kansas State (1/1) ... had Texas Tech's first touchdown of the game from 1-yard out to take an early 9-7 lead ... hit the 100-yard mark for the second time in his career a week later with a career-high 23 carries for 121 yards and a touchdown ... pushed the lead to 26-0 against the Cougars with his 1-yard touchdown early in the fourth quarter ... added one catch for 24 yards, which followed a 33-yard rush to start the drive that ultimately led to his touchdown.

- Carried only 11 times for 77 yards and two touchdowns in the Senior Day win over UCF (11/15) ... had Texas Tech's first and last touchdown in the 48-9 rout over the Knights, scoring from 12-yards out on the opening drive and then from only 1-yard out with 3:10 remaining in regulation ... closed the regular season a week later with 12 carries for 79 yards at West Virginia (11/29) to go along with three catches for 17 yards and a touchdown ... caught a pass from Behren Morton and went four yards into the end zone to give the Red Raiders an early 14-0 lead late in the first quarter.

- Broke open the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship with a 11-yard touchdown scamper late in the third quarter that gave the Red Raiders a two-possession lead at 21-7 with 3:21 left in the quarter ... was part of 18 carries for 72 yards in the win ... also caught a season-high four passes for 20 yards ... finished the season with 11 carries for 29 yards in the Capital One Orange Bowl versus Oregon (1/1).

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2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

• Instant impact for the Red Raiders in the backfield as only a true freshman ... appeared in 12 of 13 games, splitting backup duties behind Tahj Brooks for most of the season with fellow true freshman running back J’Koby Williams ... missed only the regular-season finale against West Virginia (11/30) due to injury.

• Received 41 carries on the season for 225 yards and a touchdown ... finished tied with Williams for the second-most carries on the team ... was only 10 yards back of Williams for total rushing yards after picking up carries in seven different games.

• Added nine catches for 47 yards and another touchdown through the air ... bulk of catches came during non-conference play with seven between the Washington State and North Texas games ... other two catches came against Baylor (no yards) and in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl versus Arkansas (five yards).

• Credited with 114 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, grading out at 75.8 overall ... had the fourth-highest offensive grade on the team, trailing only Brooks (83.3), quarterback Behren Morton (79.0) and wide receiver Josh Kelly (77.3) ... publication awarded him seven missed tackles forced, resulting in 143 yards after contact.

• Utilized more on special teams after decision was made to not utilize his redshirt ... credited with 55 snaps on special teams by PFF with 24 of those coming on kickoff return ... had three kick returns for 40 yards on the season, normally as the result of a squib kick ... also an occasional member of the punt return and punt coverage units.

• Made his Red Raider debut in the season-opening win over Abilene Christian (8/31) ... received one carry for five yards, while also returning one kick for 17 yards.

• Followed with seven carries for 25 yards at Washington State (9/7) to go along with five receptions for 34 yards and a touchdown ... found the end zone for the first time in his collegiate career via a 12-yard touchdown grab from Behren Morton with 9:21 remaining in regulation ... marked a season high for both receptions and receiving yards ... added one kick return for 17 yards in the loss.

• Set a season high with 10 carries for 75 yards and a touchdown in the rout over the Mean Green (9/14) ... added two receptions for eight yards to finish with a season-high 83 all-purpose yards ... rushing touchdown came on a 1-yard carry with 12:50 remaining in regulation to push Texas Tech’s lead to 66-14 at the time.

• Combined for eight carries for 46 yards over the course of Big 12 play ... finished with three carries for 24 yards in the win over Arizona State (9/21), one carry for one yard at Arizona (10/5) and four carries for 21 yards versus Baylor (10/19) ... had one kick return for six yards against Colorado (11/9) as well.

• Formed a strong 1-2 punch with J’Koby Williams in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl in replace of regular starter Tahj Brooks ... carried 15 times for 74 yards versus Arkansas (12/27), while also catching one pass for five yards ... shared team high for carries with Williams as the two combined for 199 of Texas Tech’s 226 rushing yards.

HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Crockett High School in Austin, Texas ... one of the most prolific athletes in Austin ISD history ... played both ways throughout four-year varsity career, while also serving as Crockett’s punter ... primarily played quarterback at Crockett but transitioned to running back as a Red Raider.

• Among the top-five leading rushers all-time in Austin ISD history after accumulating more than 7,000 yards of total offense over his career ... combined for 2,963 passing yards and 33 touchdowns, while also rushing for 4,065 yards and 61 touchdowns over his four seasons.

• Notched 247 tackles defensively to go with seven interceptions, six fumble recoveries, four forced fumbles and six pass breakups ... returned three of those interceptions for touchdowns during his career as well.

• Helped lead Crockett to its first playoff win in 26 years as a senior after rushing for 117 yards and a touchdown, which came with 38 seconds remaining to top Waco University ... contributed 13 tackles defensively as well as a blocked field goal and two interceptions, the first of which he returned 70 yards for a touchdown on University’s first play from scrimmage.

• Tabled the District 12-5A MVP after combining for 3,455 yards of total offense (1,595 passing, 1,860 rushing) and 50 touchdowns his senior season, while adding 90 tackles, three interceptions, two fumble recoveries and three pass breakups on the defensive side of the ball.

• Accounted for 40 offensive touchdowns as a junior (12 passing, 28 rushing), while scoring five defensive touchdowns en route to earning District Offensive MVP accolades ... was also a first team All-District honoree as a safety that season ... threw for 1,221 yards and 12 touchdowns as a junior, while notching a staggering 1,832 yards and 28 touchdowns on the ground ... collected All-District 14-5A first team honors as a utility player his freshman and sophomore seasons.

• Another Texas Tech signee who excelled in track and field, competing in the 100 meters, the long jump as well as the 4x100 and 4x200-meter relays ... advanced to the regional meet as a junior in the 100 meters and long jump and both relays.

• Member of the basketball and baseball programs as well, earning first team All-District honors as an outfielder during his sophomore and junior seasons ... helped push the basketball program to back-to-back district titles as well.

• Ranked as a four-star prospect by On3 and a three-star recruit by both 24/7Sports and Rivals ... listed as the No. 20 running back in the country by On3 and the No. 42 prospect from the Lone Star State ... publication also had him as the No. 268 recruit nationally ... ranked among the top-100 prospects in the state of Texas by 24/7Sports ... graduated early to join the Red Raiders in the spring of 2024 ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Lamar and Texas State.

PERSONAL

• Cameron Dickey ... son of Stanley and Amanda Dickey ... has two siblings, Ciera and Caleb.

• Hobbies include disc golf, bowling, golfing, fishing and cooking outside of football.

• An applied personal finance major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	12/0	14/9	26/9

CAREER STATS

RUSHING	G	Att	Yds	TD	Lg	Avg/C	Avg/G
2024	12	41	225	1	37	5.5	18.8
2025	14	209	1,124	14	71	5.4	80.3
Totals	26	250	1,349	15	71	5.4	51.9

2025 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	GS	Rush	Yds	TD	Lg	Rec	Yds	TD	Lg
Ark-Pine Bluff	*	13	90	1	20	0	0	0	0
Kent State		8	10	2	4	2	10	0	7
Oregon State		16	65	1	16	1	7	0	7
at Utah		13	67	2	24	3	20	0	12
at Houston	*	20	96	0	21	1	69	1	69
Kansas	*	21	263	2	71	3	16	0	9
at Arizona State	*	9	40	0	20	2	4	0	6
Oklahoma State	*	13	47	1	15	1	7	0	7
at Kansas State		21	68	1	16	1	4	0	4
BYU	*	23	121	1	33	1	24	0	24
UCF	*	11	77	2	26	2	18	0	12
at West Virginia	*	12	79	0	26	3	17	1	10
vs. BYU	*	18	72	1	11	4	20	0	7
vs. Oregon		11	29	0	9	1	8	0	8
Totals		209	1,124	14	71	25	224	2	69

2024 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	GS	Rush	Yds	TD	Lg	Rec	Yds	TD	Lg
Abilene Christian		1	5	0	5	0	0	0	0
at Washington State		7	25	0	12	5	34	1	12
North Texas		10	75	1	37	2	8	0	6
Arizona State		3	24	0	16	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Arizona		1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Baylor		4	21	0	10	1	0	0	0
at TCU		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Iowa State		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Colorado		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Oklahoma State		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
West Virginia		DNP							
vs. Arkansas		15	74	0	15	1	5	0	5
Totals		41	225	1	37	9	0	1	0



Miquel DINGLE JR.

S | 6-2 | 220 | Sr. | 4th Yr. | 1L
Charleston, S.C. | Byrnes HS
Career Games: 18 / Career Starts: 1

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2025 SEASON (JUNIOR)

• Suffered a season-ending injury on his first play of the season in the opener versus Arkansas-Pine Bluff ... was expected to contribute at the "star" position before struggling with a different injury during preseason camp ... recovered in time for the season opener versus UAPB (8/30) but suffered a separate injury ... likely eligible for a medical hardship waiver later in his career.

2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

• Appeared in all 13 games primarily in coverage on passing downs as well as on special teams ... joined the linebacker rotation during second full season on campus ... found a niche on 3rd-and-long packages due to his speed at linebacker.

• Totaled 29 tackles (15 solo) on the season to go along with a forced fumble and two quarterback hurries ... recorded 1.5 tackles for loss, which included a shared sack, the first of his career ... one of four linebackers on the season with at least 25 tackles overall ... notched at least one tackle in 10 of 13 games overall and had multiple stops in seven different contests.

• Credited with 167 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which included 101 snap in coverage ... played in 10 or more defensive snaps in all but one Big 12 game with the lone exception being nine snaps at Oklahoma State ... saw action in 97 snaps on special teams as a member of the kickoff coverage unit and occasionally on punt returns early in the season.

• Publication awarded him a high grade of 88.9 overall as a pass rusher after creating 15 pressures (1 sack, nine quarterback hits and five hurries) ... ranked tied for fifth on the team for total pressures created, according to PFF.

• Recorded four tackles in the non-conference finale against North Texas (9/14), his second-highest total on the season ... performance included a career high 1.5 tackles for loss and a shared sack ... marked the first sack of his career, which came on the final play of the game ... stuffed a North Texas rush for a two-yard loss on the play prior to the sack ... strong outing followed one tackle in the season opener versus Abilene Christian (8/31) and two stops at Washington State (9/7).

• Opened Big 12 play with three tackles to go along with a quarterback hurry in the win over Arizona State (9/21) ... hurried Arizona State quarterback Sam Leavitt on a 3rd-and-10 pass deep down the right side to force the Sun Devils to punt on their first possession of the fourth quarter ... the Red Raiders responded with a Gino Garcia field goal to push their lead to 30-16 with 6:54 to play.

• Recorded three tackles against Baylor (10/19), all while receiving his highest PFF defensive grade of the season ... awarded a 78.1 grade by PFF for his 13 defensive snaps, which topped his previous high of 77.8 set only two weeks earlier at Arizona (10/5) where he had one tackle.

• Made three tackles against Colorado (11/9) to go along with a quarterback hurry ... made Shedeur Sanders rush a pass attempt on 3rd-and-4 to force a Colorado field goal just before halftime ... performance followed a two tackle outing at Iowa State (11/2) just a week before ... Put together the most-productive game to that point in his career with nine tackles in the regular-season finale against West Virginia (11/3) ... played a season-high 25 defensive snaps in the rout.

• Made one tackle via kickoff coverage in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl against Arkansas (12/27) ... forced the Razorbacks to start their first drive of the second half at their own 6-yard line after forcing a fumble on the tackle, which was recovered by Arkansas.

2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

• Appeared in four games as a true freshman with one start at linebacker ... praised for his athleticism by coaching staff, which allowed him to break the linebacker lineup in his first season ... suffered an injury that kept him out of the rest of the regular season as well as the Independence Bowl versus Cal.

• Finished with 12 tackles, including 1.5 for a loss, over his four games ... had at least two stops in all four games with four tackles against Houston (9/30), three versus both Tarleton State (9/16) and Baylor (10/7) and two at West Virginia (9/23).

• Made stops behind the line of scrimmage in each of the first two Big 12 contests with the Mountaineers and Cougars ... the Houston game also represented his first collegiate start.

AS A TEXAS TECH TRACK AND FIELD ATHLETE

• Competed in the hurdles in two races unattached during the 2023 indoor season before joining the roster for the Big 12 Championships ... competed in the 60-meter hurdles, running a prelim time of 7.97 before going 7.85 in the finals to finish fourth in the conference ... performance came despite arriving at Texas Tech only a few months earlier as a mid-year high school enrollee.

• Competed in two meets during the outdoor season with a wind-aided time of 14.21 in the 110-meter hurdles at the Corky Crofoot Shootout ... part of Texas Tech's roster for its team title at the Big 12 Outdoor Championships.

HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Byrnes High School in his hometown of Charleston, S.C. ... signed with Texas Tech as one of the fastest and athletic linebackers in the country ... two-year letterwinner after an injury kept him off the varsity until his junior season.

• Took little time to show his talents with 88 total tackles, including 10 for a loss and two sacks as a junior ... successful season came despite shifting from outside linebacker to the inside midway through the year ... helped push Byrnes to the third round of the Class 5A playoffs his senior season to earn All-District honors for his efforts.

• A standout for the track and field program as the state champion in the 110-meter hurdles ... posted the fastest 110 meter time in the state of South Carolina as a junior in 2022 at 13.56, which also ranked as the fifth-fastest in the country that year ... also timed as low as 10.92 in the 100 meters and 22.05 in the 200 meters, while jumping 2'30.1" in the long jump.

• Efforts in both track and football earned him Male Athlete of the Year honors among 2,000 athletes at the Upstate Sports Awards, which was presented in combination by the Greenville News, Anderson Independent-Mail and Spartanburg-Herald Journal.

• Three-star prospect by the likes of 247Sports, ESPN and ON3.com ... ranked as the No. 59 linebacker in the country and the No. 9 recruit for the state of South Carolina by 247Sports ... tabbed the No. 12 recruit in the Palmetto State by ON3 and No. 31 by ESPN ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Charlotte and N.C. State.

PERSONAL

• Miquel Bryce Dingle ... born in Charleston, South Carolina, to parents Miquel Dingle Sr. and Amanda Dingle ... has a sister, Amani.

• Father totaled over 2,100 yards from scrimmage and 21 touchdowns in his college career at the University of South Carolina before being drafted by the Cincinnati Bengals in the 8th round of the 1991 NFL Draft.

• An interdisciplinary studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION

	2023	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	4/1	13/0	1/0	18/1

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	PD	FF	FR	INT	QBH
2023	4	8	4	12	1.5	3	0	0	0	0	0
2024	13	15	14	29	1.5	4	0	1	0	0	2
2025	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	18	23	18	41	3.0	7	0	1	0	0	2

2024 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	TFL-YDS	INT-YDS	FF	FR	PBU
Abilene Christian	1	0	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Washington St.	1	1	2	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
North Texas	1	3	4	1.5-4	0-0	0	0	0	0
Arizona State	2	1	3	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati	0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Arizona	1	0	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Baylor	1	2	3	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at TCU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Iowa State	1	1	2	0.0-0	1-0	0	0	0	0
Colorado	3	0	3	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Oklahoma St.	0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
West Virginia	3	6	9	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Arkansas	1	0	1	0.0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Totals	15	14	29	1.5-4	0-0	1	0	0	0

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TEXAS TECH



Coy EAKIN

WR | 6-2 | 205 | Sr. | 5th Yr. | 3L
Stephenville, Texas | Stephenville HS
Career Games: 41 / Career Starts: 31

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CAREER HONORS

- Big 12 Championship Offensive Player of the Game (2025, Sr.)
- All-Big 12 Honorable Mention (2025, Sr.)
- Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award Watch List (2025, Sr.)
- Shrine Bowl 1000 (2025, Sr.)
- Three-time Academic All-Big 12 first team honoree (2023-25)

2025 SEASON (SENIOR)

- Appeared in all 14 games as a senior as one of the main targets for quarterback Behren Morton ... started in 12 of those contests with the lone exceptions coming in the season opener versus Arkansas-Pine Bluff and at Arizona State ... switched to the No. 3 offensive jersey prior to spring practices, which is reserved for the player who best represents the standards of "The Brand" on both sides of the ball.
- Caught 48 passes for 637 yards for six touchdowns on the season, his second-straight year with at least 600 receiving yards ... ranked tied for second on the team for receiving touchdowns alongside Reggie Virgil, trailing only the seven from Caleb Douglas ... was second on the team for yards per reception (13.3), third for receiving yards and fourth for receptions as part of a balanced passing attack.
- One of four Red Raiders with at least 600 receiving yards, the most for Texas Tech in a single season since the 2016 campaign ... marked only the sixth time in program history the Red Raiders had four players with 600 or more receiving yards ... joined on that list by Caleb Douglas (846), Reggie Virgil (705) and tight end Terrance Carter Jr. (624).
- Switched more to the slot position as a junior, recording at least one reception in 13 of 14 games overall with the lone exception being the home win over Kansas ... made multiple catches in 11 games overall ... was previously one of Texas Tech's outside receivers before moving inside in offensive coordinator Mack Leftwich's new scheme ... notched at least 50 receiving yards in six different games on the year, including four times versus Big 12 opponents.
- Approximately half of his receptions - 24 to be exact - went for at least 10 yards, while 11 of those went for 20-plus yards and seven resulted in a 30-yard gain ... among the Big 12 leaders for most receptions of at least 20 and 30 yards ... finished with two catches that were of 40 or more yards.
- Utilized as a punt returner on occasion early in Big 12 play due to his reliability ... made eight punt returns for 121 yards on the season with a long of 36 yards ... had a streak of three consecutive games during Big 12 play with at least one 30-yard return ... the Red Raiders had not previously had a punt return of at least 30 yards since traveling to Baylor in 2023.
- Credited with 697 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which ranked eighth on the team and third among the wide receiver room ... listed with 310 yards after catch by the publication ... regarded for his ability to bring down receptions in tight windows as six of the 11 contested targets thrown his way ended with a reception.
- **AWARDS AND HONORS:** an honorable mention All-Big 12 selection by the conference coaches ... tabbed the Offensive Player of the Game for his performance in the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship ... named to the preseason watch list for the Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award, which is presented to the top offensive player with ties to the state of Texas ... recognized for potential at the next level as a member of the Shrine Bowl 1,000 list ... an Academic All-Big 12 selection for a third-straight year.
- **IN BIG 12 RANKINGS:** ended the season ranked tied for 10th in the league with his six receiving touchdowns ... his seven catches of 30-plus yards was tied for fifth in the conference, while his 11 receptions of more than 20 yards was tied for 11th overall.
- **SEASON HIGHLIGHTS:**
 - Hauled in a touchdown pass in all three non-conference games, beginning with a 41-yard strike from Behren Morton early in the second quarter in the season opener versus Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) ... was part of three catches for 47 yards in the win ... followed with three catches for 59 yards and a touchdown the next week against Kent State (9/6) ... touchdown came on another explosive play from 42-yards out midway through the opening quarter.
 - Broke the 100-yard mark for the lone time on the season and the third of his career in the non-conference finale versus Oregon State (9/13) ... recorded five catches for 123 yards and a touchdown in the win, setting a new career high for receiving yards in the process ... capped the opening drive with a 38-yard touchdown haul, marking his third explosive scoring play in as many weeks to start the season ... marked the second-highest receiving total in a single game by a

Red Raider on the season, trailing only Caleb Douglas' 127 in the regular-season finale at West Virginia.

- Opened Big 12 play with three receptions for 31 yards in the win at Utah (9/20) ... set a new career high with 10 receptions two weeks later at Houston (10/4), finishing with 81 receiving yards in the win ... also brought back his first punt return on the season against the Cougars, which went for a 30-yard gain midway through the third quarter ... flipped the field on the return, giving the Red Raiders the ball on the plus side of the field ... marked the longest punt return by a Red Raider at the time since Myles Price had a 43-yard return at Baylor in 2023.
- Proceeded to bring back punts for 36 yards in each of the next two weeks versus Kansas (10/11) and at Arizona State (10/18) ... flipped the field again versus the Jayhawks with his return late in the fourth quarter, giving the Red Raiders the ball at the 30-yard line to set up a Will Hammond touchdown run two plays later ... did not have a reception versus the Jayhawks, breaking a streak of 26-consecutive games with a catch.
- Found the end zone the next week at Arizona State as part of five catches for 66 yards and a touchdown through the air and a key punt return late in the fourth quarter ... scored Texas Tech's opening touchdown on a 30-yard strike from Hammond midway through the second quarter to take a 7-6 lead ... later made a great judgement in taking a short punt and returning it 36 yards to set up a go-ahead touchdown with 2:05 remaining in regulation ... the Red Raiders took a 22-19 lead on the next play as Reggie Virgil came down with a contested catch for a 12-yard touchdown reception.
- Followed with five catches for 48 yards in the victory over Oklahoma State (10/25), one catch for five yards at Kansas State (11/1) and four catches for 52 yards in the regular-season win over BYU (11/8) ... converted a 3rd-and-6 on Texas Tech's second drive of the game with a 37-yard reception that pushed the Red Raiders into plus territory and set up a Caleb Douglas nine-yard touchdown late in the first quarter ... closed the regular season with two catches for 20 yards versus UCF (11/5) and three receptions for 28 yards at West Virginia (11/29).
- Named the Offensive Player of the Game for the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship after catching three passes for 66 yards and two touchdowns in the win over BYU (12/6) ... brought back memories of his dominating performance from the 2021 Class 4A state championship game that featured three touchdown receptions in a win for his hometown of Stephenville ... brought down a contested 33-yard fade pass for Texas Tech's first touchdown early in the second quarter to give the Red Raiders a 10-7 lead ... later took a short pass on 4th-and-1 and made multiple Cougars miss on his way to a 28-yard touchdown reception for a 31-7 lead with 7:03 remaining ... marked the third multi-touchdown game of his career and his lone one of the season ... matched the record for most touchdown receptions in a Big 12 Championship, which had been accomplished nine times previously in league history.
- Ended the season with only one catch for 11 yards in the Capital One Orange Bowl versus Oregon (1/1) ... reception converted a 3rd-and-9 for the Red Raiders late in the second quarter.

2024 SEASON (JUNIOR)

- Played in all 13 games with starts in 12 contests ... was not in the starting lineup only once, which came at TCU midway through Big 12 play ... his 12 starts in 2024 pushed his career total to 19 at the time.
- Ranked third on the team after catching 49 passes for 652 yards and a team-leading seven touchdowns ... joined with fellow receivers Josh Kelly and Caleb Douglas to become the first Red Raider trio to each record at least 600 receiving yards in a season since 2018.
- Part of a Red Raider offense that ranked ninth in the country for both passing yards per game (296.7) and total offense per game (462.7) ... the Red Raiders were also tied for 10th in the FBS with 31 team receiving touchdowns.
- Caught at least one pass in all 13 games with multiple receptions in all but one of those contests ... joined Caleb Douglas as the only Red Raiders to catch a pass in all 13 games ... hauled in at least four receptions in seven different games and had two more games with three catches ... finished with 50 or more receiving yards in six games overall.
- Of his 49 receptions on the season, more than half - 25 to be exact - went for at least 10 yards, which was third on the team behind both Kelly and Douglas ... recorded 10 explosive catches of 20 or more yards overall with three of those going 30 yards, two that resulted in 40 yards, including one over 50 yards ... had the longest catch by any Red Raider on the season with a 70-yard haul against North Texas.
- Dynamic with his ability to throw the ball as a wide receiver as well as a punt returner on special teams ... completed 1-of-2 pass attempts via trick plays with the lone completion resulting in a touchdown at Washington State ... utilized as a punt returner on occasion during the season for his sure-handed ability.

- Credited with 816 offensive snaps on the season by Pro Football Focus, which ranked fifth on the team and led the wide receiver room ... trailed only offensive linemen Caleb Rogers, Sheridan Wilson and Davion Carter as well as quarterback Behren Morton ... majority of snaps came as an outside receiver (453) with the other 52 coming in the slot ... added an additional 76 snaps on special teams, appearing on kickoff return consistently throughout the season as well as on kickoff coverage and on punt returns.

- **AWARDS AND HONORS:** recognized for his work in the classroom as part of the Academic All-Big 12 team.

- **IN BIG 12 RANKINGS:** concluded the season ranked tied for ninth in the conference with his team-leading seven receiving touchdowns.

- **Abilene Christian (8/31):** kicked off the season with five catches for 76 yards and two touchdowns in the victory over the Wildcats ... hauled in the first touchdown reception of the season on a four-yard reception from Behren Morton midway through the first quarter that gave the Red Raiders a 15-0 lead following a successful two-point conversion ... found the end zone again later in the quarter on a 35-yard strike from Morton, marking his first multi-touchdown game of his young career.

- **at Washington State (9/7):** added another five receptions the following week against the Cougars, resulting in 54 yards through the air ... used his arm for Texas Tech's first touchdown of the game, finding John Carlos Miller II for a 20-yard strike with 5:33 remaining until halftime ... marked the first touchdown pass by a Red Raider wide receiver since Jakeem Grant connected with Reginald Davis for 72 yards at Arkansas in 2015.

- **North Texas (9/14):** lone reception resulted in a 70-yard touchdown catch in the rout over the Mean Green ... marked the longest catch of his career and the longest by any Red Raider on the season ... touchdown pushed Texas Tech's lead to 24-7 early in the second quarter.

- **Arizona State (9/21):** limited to only three catches for 29 yards in the Big 12 opener against the Sun Devils.

- **Cincinnati (9/28):** put together his second multi-touchdown game of the season against the Bearcats as part of three catches for 78 yards and a pair of scores ... raced into the endzone via a 7-yard completion from Behren Morton late in the first quarter and then again on a 49-yard strike on Texas Tech's next possession ... the two touchdowns helped the Red Raiders erase an early 14-3 deficit and tie the game at 17-17 with 10:32 remaining until halftime ... marked the fourth and fifth touchdown receptions of the season already through five games.

- **at TCU (10/26):** found the end zone again at TCU as part of four catches for 56 yards and a touchdown ... hauled in a contested catch down the left sideline, resulting in a 13-yard touchdown from Will Hammond to cap a successful 78-yard scoring drive to start the second half ... later added a 29-yard reception early in the fourth quarter, which set up a Gino Garcia field goal ... performance followed two catches for 12 yards at Arizona (10/5) and three receptions for 20 yards against Baylor (10/19).

- **at Iowa State (11/2):** helped set up a key Red Raider touchdown with a 25-yard reception late in the third quarter in the road ranked win over the Cyclones ... pushed the Red Raiders to the Iowa State 23-yard line, setting up a Josh Kelly 19-yard touchdown reception three plays later for a 17-13 lead ... catch was part of two receptions for 32 yards in the win.

- **Colorado (11/9):** had four catches for 40 yards against the Buffaloes, including a 27-yarder late in the first quarter ... completion on 3rd-and-9 pushed the Red Raiders into the red zone, setting up a Gino Garcia field goal for an early 13-0 lead ... moved the sticks with another key third-down catch in the fourth quarter, this time resulting in 13 yards to help set up Jalin Conyers 21-yard touchdown grab.

- **at Oklahoma State (11/23):** recorded season highs with seven receptions and 90 receiving yards in the road win over the Cowboys ... finished one catch off his career high, which was set the previous season against TCU ... made three catches alone on Texas Tech's two-minute drive before halftime, totaling 40 yards to pave the way for a Tahj Brooks 25-yard touchdown catch with only one second remaining ... came close to reaching the endzone himself midway through the fourth quarter thanks to a 21-yard haul from Morton that gave the Red Raiders the ball at the 3-yard line, setting up another Brooks touchdown for a 49-42 lead.

- **West Virginia (11/30):** closed the regular season with six receptions for 48 yards in the rout over the Mountaineers ... combined for 13 catches for 138 yards over the final two games of the regular season.

- **vs. Arkansas (12/27):** scored in the bowl game for a second-straight season thanks to a 15-yard touchdown pass from Will Hammond late in the fourth quarter ... was part of four catches for 47 yards against the Razorbacks ... set up the touchdown with an 18-yard catch two plays earlier on the drive.



▲ **COY EAKIN**, affectionately known as "Cowboy Coy," was named the Big 12 Championship Game Offensive Player of the Game after hauling in two of his six touchdown receptions during Texas Tech's 34-7 victory.

2023 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Appeared in 10 games overall with seven starts after missing the entire non-conference slate due to a preseason injury ... developed into one of Texas Tech's top receiving options during second full year in the program.

- Turned into a regular target for Behren Morton during Big 12 play, catching 36 passes for 416 yards and a pair of touchdowns overall ... all but one of his catches came over the final eight contests ... had multiple catches in eight of 10 games and four or more receptions in five different contests.

- Went over the 100-yard mark in two different contests, which led the team ... was the team leader in receiving yards in four different games and at least shared the team high for receptions in four contests.

- Credited with playing in 541 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which ranked ninth on the team and was second among wide receivers ... also a member of Texas Tech's punt return unit on special teams.

- Made his season debut with one catch for nine yards at West Virginia (9/23) ... caught his first career touchdown two weeks later as part of two receptions for 20 yards in the win at Baylor (10/7) ... touchdown came via a 13-yard back-shoulder throw from Behren Morton for the Red Raiders' first touchdown of the night ...

- Followed with his first career 100-yard outing a week later with five catches for 102 yards against Kansas State (10/14) ... limited to just two catches for four yards at BYU (10/21) ... nearly matched his season total for catches in the TCU (11/2) win alone with a career-high eight grabs for 78 yards ... had three catches for 29 yards at Kansas as well as four catches for 41 yards versus UCF (11/18) and then four catches for 27 yards at Texas (11/24).

- Wrapped his successful season with another strong performance in the Radiant Technologies Independence Bowl ... set a new career high with 106 receiving yards off seven catches in the victory over Cal (12/16) ... found the end zone for the second time in his career in the win, which came via a 27-yard contested catch from Morton with 4:19 remaining in the first quarter.

- **AWARDS AND HONORS:** recognized for his work in the classroom as part of the Academic All-Big 12 first team.

2022 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Began his freshman season on the two-deep at outside receiver before suffering an injury late in preseason camp ... managed to appear in four games overall at wide receiver, three in Big 12 play and then against Ole Miss in the TaxAct Texas Bowl (12/28) ... other three appearances came against West Virginia (10/22), Kansas (11/12) and at Iowa State (11/19).

- Inserted on punt return unit in the wins over both Iowa State and Ole Miss ... targeted near the end zone just before halftime in the win over Ole Miss as well.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Stephenville High School in Stephenville, Texas ... led the Yellowjackets to the Class 4A Division I state title his senior year after one of the best receiving seasons in recent memory ... caught nine passes for 187 and three touchdowns, while rushing for another in the state title game alone to push Stephenville past Austin LBJ for a perfect 16-0 record.

- Led the nation in receiving yards after catching 93 passes for 2,140 yards and 31 touchdowns as a senior ... also rushed for 213 yards and four touchdowns to finish

with 2,662 all-purpose yards ... was a first team All-State honoree by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA) ... tabbed the District 5-4A Offensive MVP as a senior and was a first team pick as a junior in 2020.

- Previously helped lead Stephenville to the area round of the playoffs as a junior after hauling in 82 passes for 854 yards and seven touchdowns ... was a two-way player during most of his high school career, also earning second team All-District 5-4A honors as a defensive utility player as a sophomore in 2019.
- Competed in track and field, placing first in the district finals in the long and triple jump.
- Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of 247Sports, ESPN and Rivals ... did not commit until Jan. 30 right before the spring signing period, marking the final signee of Joey McGuire's first class as Texas Tech's head coach ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** North Texas, TCU and Washington State, among others.

PERSONAL

- Coy Eakin ... son of Mark and Kelly Eakin ... has one sibling, Caitlin.
- Father is the head rodeo coach at Tarleton State in Stephenville and held the same position previously at West Texas A&M in Canyon ... rodeo success turned out to be hereditary with the younger Eakin also finding success as a roper growing up ... suffered a broken tibia and fibula due to rodeo at age 10, which resulted in him having two different sized feet moving forward ... wears a size-14 shoe on his left foot and a size-12 on his right foot now.
- Enjoys fishing, hunting and playing golf outside of football.
- Earned a bachelor's degree in sport management from Texas Tech in spring 2026 ... currently enrolled in non-degree-seeking post-baccalaureate studies.

PARTICIPATION	2022	2023	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	4/0	10/7	13/12	14/12	41/31

CAREER STATS

RECEIVING	G	Rec	Yds	TD	Lg	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2022	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2023	10	36	416	2	43	3.6	11.6	41.6
2024	13	49	652	7	70	3.8	13.3	50.2
2025	14	48	637	6	42	3.4	13.3	45.5
Totals	41	133	1,705	15	70	3.2	12.8	41.6

2025 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	Lg	Rush	Yds	TD
Arkansas-Pine Bluff		3	47	1	15.7	41	0	0	0
Kent State	*	3	59	1	19.6	42	0	0	0
Oregon State	*	5	123	1	24.6	38	0	0	0
at Utah	*	3	31	0	10.3	19	0	0	0
at Houston	*	10	81	0	8.1	23	0	0	0
Kansas	*	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
at Arizona State		5	66	1	13.2	30	0	0	0
Oklahoma State	*	5	48	0	9.6	26	0	0	0
at Kansas State	*	1	5	0	5.0	5	0	0	0
BYU	*	4	52	0	13.0	37	0	0	0
UCF	*	2	20	0	10.0	18	0	0	0
at West Virginia	*	3	28	0	9.3	14	0	0	0
vs. BYU	*	3	66	2	22.0	33	0	0	0
vs. Oregon	*	1	11	0	11.0	11	0	0	0
Totals		48	637	6	13.3	42	0	0	0

2024 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	Lg	Rush	Yds	TD
Abilene Christian	*	5	76	2	15.2	35	0	0	0
at Washington St.	*	5	54	0	10.8	19	0	0	0
North Texas	*	1	70	1	70.0	70	0	0	0
Arizona State	*	3	29	0	9.7	16	0	0	0
Cincinnati	*	3	78	2	26.0	49	0	0	0
at Arizona	*	2	12	0	6.0	6	0	0	0
Baylor	*	3	20	0	6.6	11	0	0	0
at TCU		4	56	1	14.0	29	0	0	0
at Iowa State	*	2	32	0	16.0	25	0	0	0
Colorado	*	4	40	0	10.0	27	0	0	0
at Oklahoma St.	*	7	90	0	12.8	21	0	0	0
West Virginia	*	6	48	0	8.0	17	0	0	0
vs. Arkansas	*	4	47	1	11.8	18	0	0	0
Totals		49	652	7	13.3	70	0	0	0

2023 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	Lg	Rush	Yds	TD
at Wyoming		DNP-injured							
Oregon		DNP-injured							
Tarleton State		DNP-injured							
at West Virginia		1	9	0	9.0	9	0	0	0
Houston	*	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Baylor	*	2	20	1	10.0	13	0	0	0
Kansas State	*	5	102	0	20.4	43	0	0	0
at BYU	*	2	4	0	2.0	3	1	-1	0
TCU		8	78	0	9.8	30	0	0	0
at Kansas	*	3	29	0	9.7	11	0	0	0
UCF	*	4	41	0	10.3	22	0	0	0
at Texas		4	27	0	6.8	13	0	0	0
vs. California	*	7	106	1	15.1	27	0	0	0
Totals		36	416	2	11.6	43	1	-1	0

2022 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	Lg	Rush	Yds	TD
Murray State		DNP							
Houston		DNP							
at NC State		DNP							
Texas		DNP							
at Kansas State		DNP							
at Oklahoma State		DNP							
West Virginia		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Baylor		DNP							
at TCU		DNP							
Kansas		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Iowa State		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oklahoma		DNP							
vs. Ole Miss		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



Jack
ESPARZA

TE | 6-4 | 245 | Sr. | 5th Yr.
Austin, Texas | St. Michael's Catholic
Career Games: 3 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (SENIOR)

- Made his collegiate debut late in the season, appearing in three games overall, including the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship versus BYU (12/6) ... debut came in the home finale against UCF (11/15), seeing time on both kickoff coverage and as a tight end ... later saw time in the regular-season finale at West Virginia (11/29) as well ... scout team member.

2024 SEASON (JUNIOR)

- Did not see any game action as a junior ... scout team member.

2023 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Moved from the wide receiver to the tight end room as a sophomore ... did not see any game action ... scout team member.

2022 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Did not see any game action during first season on campus ... scout team member.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended St. Michael's Catholic School in Austin, Texas ... was a TAPPS Division II second team All-State secondary selection as a senior and an honorable mention choice as a wide receiver ... was a first team All-District pick at both wide receiver and defensive back the same season ... had 33 receptions for 785 yards and 14 touchdown catches his senior year.
- Competed in track and field during high school career ... part of the TAPPS 5A State Championship team in the 4x400 relay as only a freshman.

PERSONAL

- Jack Sabine Esparza ... son of John Esparza and Leah Esparza ... has two brothers, Josh and Jake ... both parents received their degrees from Texas Tech ... father was a member of the Texas Tech University System Board of Regents from 2013-19 ... his uncle played football and ran track for Air Force.
- Enjoys watching movies and fishing away from football.
- Earned his degree in communications from Texas Tech during the December 2025 commencement ceremonies ... currently seeking an essentials of business graduate certificate.



Malik ESQUERRA

S | 6-3 | 210 | Jr. | 3rd Yr. | 1L
Killeen, Texas | Shoemaker HS
Career Games: 16 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Saw an increased role as a sophomore, appearing in all 14 games either on special teams or as a reserve safety ... played in at least one defensive snap in 12 different games overall as the primary backup to Cole Wisniewski ... member of three special teams units as a main contributor on kickoff coverage, kickoff return and punt returns.
- Totalled eight tackles (5 solo), which came over four games ... combined for three tackles during non-conference play with one stop in the season-opening win over Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) and two versus Oregon State (9/13) ... saw time defensively late in blowout wins over both Oklahoma State (10/25) and UCF (11/15), delivering two tackles versus the Cowboys and then a career-high three stops against the Knights ... one of his three tackles against UCF came as part of kickoff coverage.
- Credited with 139 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus with the vast majority coming during non-conference play ... reached double-digit snaps on defense in five different games - all at home versus Arkansas-Pine Bluff, Kent State (9/6), Oregon State, Kansas (10/11) and Oklahoma State ... was fifth on the team with 160 snaps on special teams, including 41 on kickoff return, which was tied for second overall.

2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in the final two games of his freshman season against West Virginia (11/30) and Arkansas (12/27) in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl ... listed as the backup to C.J. Baskerville at safety for the final month of the season starting with the road trip to Iowa State (11/2) ... scout team member.
- Made a tackle in each contest with one coming on defense against West Virginia ... picked up valuable playing time in the win over the Mountaineers with 21 defensive snaps, according to Pro Football Focus ... recorded his other tackle as part of kickoff coverage against the Razorbacks.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Shoemaker High School in Killeen, Texas ... the Wolves advanced to the playoffs for the fourth time in the last five seasons in 2023 under head coach Toby Foreman ... Shoemaker finished 7-4 and 5-3 in District 4-5A before falling to eventual Class 5A Division I state champion Aledo, 27-6, in the first round of the playoffs.
- Named a first team All-District selection on defense as both a junior and a senior ... as a senior, was the co-league leader with four interceptions with two of those returned for a touchdown ... tallied 57 tackles overall, 45 of which were solo stops, to go along with 3.0 tackles for a loss, two forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries and three pass breaks ups in addition to the four interceptions.
- Recognized as a 2023 week eight area all-star after a 42-0 win over Waco High where he scooped a blocked punt and returned it 17 yards for a touchdown ... added one of his four interceptions on the season in the shutout win as well.
- Logged four interceptions as a junior in addition to 68 tackles, 53 of which were solo stops, 2.0 tackles for a loss, one forced fumble and one pass breakup ... named to the 2023 Academic All-District team ... named to the A-B honor roll and was a member of superintendent advisory council.
- Member of the Shoemaker track and field team ... won the Class 5A state title in the 110-meter hurdles after running a 13.72 to cap his high school career ... the performance completed a gold-laden run to state, having won the District 22-5A meet (13.69), area meet (14.35) and the regional meet (13.81) ... also placed third in the state championship in the 300-meter hurdles with a time of 37.17 ... his best times of his senior season ranked seventh in the state of Texas and 24th nationally in 110-meter hurdles (13.69) and 12th in Texas and 34th nationally in the 300-meter hurdles (37.17) ... over four seasons on the track team, was a four-time regional qualifier and finished as the owner of the school record for both the 110 and 300-meter hurdles.
- Committed to Texas Tech on July 15, 2023 ... consensus three-star recruit by Rivals, ESPN, On3 and 247Sports ... ranked as 247Sports' 57th-best prospect in the state of Texas and the 41st-best safety prospect in the country ... listed as a top-100 prospect in the state of Texas by On3, 247Sports and Rivals ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Nebraska, North Texas, Oklahoma State, Oregon State, Texas A&M, TCU and Vanderbilt.

PERSONAL

- Malik Elijah Esquerra ... born in Fort Hood, Texas ... son of Tarik and Kamia Esquerra ... has three siblings in Kamari, Kai and Kira.
- A sport management major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION

	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	2/0	14/0	16/0



Amarie FLEMING

OLB | 6-2 | 230 | Jr. | 3rd Yr. (1st at Tech)
Mayo, Fla. | Lafayette HS | Allen University
Career Games: 20 / Career Starts: 14

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PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Signed with Texas Tech as one of the top pass rushers from the NCAA Division II ranks out of Allen University in South Carolina ... will have three seasons of eligibility remaining with the Red Raiders ... arrived at Texas Tech in January 2026 ahead of spring practices.
- Combined for 69 tackles (47 solo), 21.5 tackles for loss and 16.0 sacks over 20 games with the Yellow Jackets ... proved to be able to create takeaways as well with forced fumbles and two fumble recoveries during his two seasons ... majority of his stats came as a sophomore, earning him the attention of the Red Raiders after setting the Allen single-season and career records for both tackles for loss and sacks.
- 2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE AT ALLEN):** developed into one of Division II's top sacks leader as a sophomore ... ranked third in the country with 14.5 sacks and tied for eighth with 18.0 tackles for loss, earning first team All-SIAC honors in the process ... was part of 48 tackles on the year, which ranked third on the team for an Allen program that was 5-3 in Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference play (SIAC).
- One of the top takeaway creators at the Division II ranks as well, finishing tied for third nationally with four forced fumbles ... recovered a fumble as well for an Allen program that created 24 takeaways on the season ... credited with 10 quarterback hurries and a pass breakup ... had at least one tackle for loss in nine of his 11 games played on the season overall.
- Easily snapped the Allen single-season record for both tackles for loss, sacks and forced fumbles ... doubled the previous school sacks record of 7.0 that was set in 2022 by Justin Eaton, who also previously had the tackles for loss mark with 10.5 that same year ... broke the Allen career record for sacks based on his senior year alone ... ended the year as the school's all-time leader for tackles for loss as well, topping the previous mark of 18.5 that was previously set by Kirkland Boone from 2022-24.
- Combined for 7.0 sacks over a three-game span late in the season with 2.0 at Tuskegee (10/25), 2.5 at Morehouse (11/1) and 3.0 versus Edward Waters (11/8) ... knocked loose two fumbles and recovered another in the win over Edward Waters ... previously set a career with 3.5 tackles for loss - all sacks - early in the season against Clark Atlanta (9/20) ... performance matched the Allen single-game record for tackles for loss that was set by Richard Hayes against the same opponent in 2022 ... snapped the school single-game record for sacks that was set by Hayes in that same game.
- 2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN AT ALLEN):** appeared in nine games as a true freshman, finishing with 21 tackles (15 solo) to go along with 3.5 tackles for loss and 1.5 sacks ... recorded at least one tackle in seven of his nine games played ... notched his first career sack in his second collegiate game at Livingstone (9/14) and added his other one on the season versus Benedict (10/19) ... five-tackle performance against Benedict started a three-game streak with at least one tackle for loss late in the season.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Lafayette High School, 1A program in his hometown of Mayo, Fla. ... three-year varsity letterwinner for the Hornets, developing into one of the top defensive playmakers in Central Florida under head coach Marcus Edwards.
- Led the Hornets with eight sacks and recorded 69 tackles, including an impressive 24.0 for a loss as a senior ... forced two fumbles and recovered three en route to earning first team All-Area honors by the Gainesville Sun ... was a second team All-Area honoree as a junior in 2022 thanks in part to 10.0 sacks and 28.0 tackles for loss as part of 67 total tackles.
- Two-sport athlete, also starring for the Lafayette basketball program ... earned first team All-Area honors by the Gainesville Sun on the hardwood as a senior after averaging a double-double with 16.9 points and 10.4 rebounds ... put together 11

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double doubles his senior year alone ... averaged 11.3 points and 4.6 rebounds per game as a sophomore to garner second team All-Area accolades.

- Underrated prospect out of high school with limited offers to the FCS and Division II ranks, eventually choosing Allen University.

PERSONAL

- Amarie Fleming ... born in Gainesville, Fla., but calls his hometown in Mayo, Fla ... father is Tim Fleming and his mother is Lareagan Covernson ... has seven siblings: Timothy, Xavier, Brooklyn, and Shia Fleming, and James, Marquette and Blaize Houston.
- Enjoys reading, swimming and hiking away from football.
- An applied personal finance major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	9/4	11/10	20/14

* at Allen University

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Blkd
2024 (Allen)	9	15	6	21	3.5	22	0	0	1	0
2025 (Allen)	11	32	16	48	18.0	89	1	4	1	0
Totals	20	47	22	69	21.5	111	1	4	2	0

SACKS	G	UA	A	Total	Yds
2024 (Allen)	9	1	1	1.5	19
2025 (Allen)	11	13	3	14.5	80
Totals	20	14	4	16.0	99

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ ALLEN UNIV.)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	INT
at Morehead State	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Livingstone College*	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.5-2	0	0	0	0
Lane College	* 4	2	6	2.0-6	2.5-7	0	0	0	0
Clark Atlanta	* 4	3	7	3.5-9	3.5-9	1	0	0	0
at Albany State	* 3	0	3	0.0-0	1.0-4	0	0	0	0
at Benedict College	* 3	2	5	2.0-12	2.0-12	0	0	0	0
Savannah St.	* 3	2	5	0.0-0	1.0-1	0	0	0	0
at Tuskegee	* 4	2	6	1.5-11	2.0-12	1	0	0	0
at Morehouse	* 3	3	6	2.5-19	2.5-19	0	0	0	0
Edward Waters	* 6	0	6	3.0-23	3.0-23	2	1	0	0
Erskine College	* 1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	16	48	14.5-80	18.0-89	4	1	0	0



Kirk FRANCIS

QB | 6-2 | 205 | Sr. | 4th Yr. (1st at Tech)
Tulsa, Okla. | Metro Christian Academy | Tulsa
Career Games: 18 / Career Starts: 12

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PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Joined the Red Raiders as a mid-year enrollee after three seasons at Tulsa ... expected to add to Texas Tech's quarterback depth, giving the Red Raiders three signal callers with starting experience ... will have two seasons of eligibility remaining as a Red Raider.
- Combined to complete 270-of-462 passes (58.4 percent) for 3,045 yards and 18 touchdowns over 18 games during his Tulsa career ... hometown product who began his career as a walk-on before eventually making 10 starts over his three seasons ... credited with 894 offensive snaps during his career at Tulsa by Pro Football Focus.
- 2025 SEASON (JUNIOR at TULSA): elected team captain prior to his junior season, which was limited to only three games, all starts ... completed 53-of-88 passes on the season for 493 yards and three touchdowns with starts against Abilene Christian (8/30) and New Mexico State (9/6) during non-conference play and then at Memphis (10/4) during the American Conference slate.
- Completed 20-of-31 passes overall for 218 yards and a pair of touchdowns in the season opener versus Abilene Christian ... left the New Mexico State game the next week early due to injury, finishing with only 100 yards on 13-of-23 passing ... did not return until the road trip to Memphis, his final outing of the season, which featuring 175 passing yards and a touchdown on 20-of-34 attempts.
- 2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at TULSA): entered the season as a scholarship quarterback following his impressive debut as a true freshman ... began the

season as Tulsa's starter, ultimately appearing in 11 contests with seven starts ... completed 149-of-253 passes on the season (58.9 percent) for 1,585 yards and nine touchdowns, throwing for at least 200 yards in three different contests.

- Best performance came in the season opener versus Northwestern State (8/29) after throwing for 299 yards and a career-high four touchdowns in the season ... completed 76.7 percent of his passes (23-of-30) in the win ... surpassed the 200-yard mark two more times on the season with 228 passing yards and a touchdown at Louisiana Tech (9/21) and 226 yards and a pair of scores in the regular-season finale versus Florida Atlantic (11/30) ... led Tulsa on an eight-play, 45-yard drive in the final few minutes to tie the game at Louisiana Tech and then eventually win it in overtime.
- 2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN at TULSA): played in the final four games of his freshman season, starting the final two contests despite joining the program that offseason as a walk-on ... lone quarterback to see action over the final two games of the year ... threw for 967 yards and six touchdowns on the year after completing 56.0 percent of his passes (68-of-121) ... averaged an impressive 241.8 passing yards per game over the final four games of the season, earning him an 82.4 overall grade by Pro Football Focus and an 80.1 grade as a passer.
- Made his collegiate debut versus Charlotte (11/4), completing 6-of-16 passes for 74 yards off the bench ... inserted again off the bench a week later at No. 20 Tulane (11/11) for possibly best performance of the season, finishing 22-of-34 overall passing for 345 yards and a touchdown ... marked the second-most passing yards by a freshman in school history, trailing only the 386 yards from T.J. Rubley in the 1987 season opener against Oklahoma State ... nearly led Tulsa back from an early 14-0 deficit, starting with his first career touchdown pass early in the second quarter, which was an 8-yard toss to Kamdyn Benjamin ... named to the AAC weekly honor roll for his performance in New Orleans.
- Earned his first career start a week later versus North Texas (11/18) in another strong performance that featured 251 passing yards and a season-high three touchdowns ... led Tulsa to a season-ending win at East Carolina (11/25) by completing 23-of-37 passes for 297 yards and two touchdowns, while also rushing three times for 23 yards ... led Tulsa on a final drive that went 48 yards in 11 plays to setup a 37-yard game-winning field goal.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Metro Christian Academy in Tulsa, Okla. ... was a four-year letterwinner and three-year starter for one of the top programs in the state of Oklahoma ... helped lead Metro Christian to a 13-1 record his senior year and a runner-up finish in the Class 3A state playoffs.
- Threw for 9,599 passing yards and 115 touchdowns, while completing 66.0 percent of his passes during his prep career ... completed 70.0 percent of his passes for 4,384 yard and 58 touchdowns as a senior alone ... strong senior campaign led him to rank eighth nationally for passing yards and second for passing touchdowns ... ended the season with an Oklahoma state record of 626 passing yards and five touchdowns in the state title game.
- Previously completed 61.0 percent of his passes for 2,850 yards and 28 touchdowns over 12 games as a junior, pushing Metro Christian to an 8-4 record ... the Patriots won the Class 2A state crown his sophomore year, his first season as the starting quarterback ... completed 29-of-44 passes for 367 yards and five touchdowns in the state championship game to wrap a memorable season ... had previously taken over primary quarterback duties midway through that season, finishing with 2,280 passing yards and 29 touchdowns.
- Underrated prospect coming out of high school who stayed home at Tulsa despite offers from the likes of Drake, Fort Hays State, Houston Christian and Missouri Southern State, among others.

PERSONAL

- Kirk Francis ... son of Michael and Tanda Francis ... youngest of four siblings.
- Great grandfather, Sam Francis, was the 1936 Heisman Trophy runner-up as a fullback at Nebraska ... later placed fourth in the shot put at the 1936 Berlin Olympics, missing a medal by a half inch ... was inducted into the National Football Foundation College Football Hall of Fame in 1977.
- An applied personal finance major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2023	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	4/2	11/7	3/3	18/12

* at Tulsa

CAREER STATS

PASSING	G	Cmp	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Lg	Pct	Avg/G	Effic
2023 (Tulsa)	4	68	121	3	967	6	-	56.2	241.8	134.7
2024 (Tulsa)	11	149	253	6	1,585	9	72	58.9	144.1	118.5
2025 (Tulsa)	3	53	88	4	493	3	-	60.2	164.3	1.9.4
Totals	18	270	462	13	3,045	18	-	58.4	169.2	121.0

RUSHING

2023 (Tulsa)	4	14	3	0	17	0.8
2024 (Tulsa)	11	34	-18	0	15	-1.6
2025 (Tulsa)	3	9	1	0	6	0.3
Totals	18	57	-14	0	17	-0.8

2025 GAME-BY-GAME (@ TULSA)

Opponent	GS	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Yds	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
Ablilene Christian *	20	31	2	0	218	-	4	2	0	6	
at New Mexico St. *	13	23	0	1	100	-	3	-4	0	1	
Navy	DNP										
at Oklahoma St.	DNP										
Tulane	DNP										
at Memphis *	20	34	1	3	175	-	2	3	0	3	
at East Carolina	DNP										
Temple	DNP										
at FAU	DNP										
Oregon State	DNP										
at Army	DNP										
UAB	DNP										
Totals	53	88	3	4	493	-	9	1	0	6	

2024 GAME-BY-GAME (@ TULSA)

Opponent	GS	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Yds	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
Northwestern St. *	23	30	4	0	299	-	2	17	0	15	
at Arkansas St. *	16	28	1	1	199	-	1	10	0	10	
Oklahoma St. *	14	31	0	1	153	-	4	-8	0	11	
at La Tech *	24	36	1	0	228	-	4	-2	0	8	
at North Texas *	13	29	0	2	101	-	2	3	0	7	
Army *	16	22	0	0	84	-	4	-1	0	4	
at Temple	11	23	1	1	148	-	8	-4	0	6	
UTSA *	8	13	0	0	37	-	4	-25	0	0	
at UAB	DNP										
East Carolina	0	1	0	0	0	-	1	-3	0	0	
at South Florida	5	7	0	0	110	72	1	1	0	1	
FAU	19	33	2	1	226	43	3	-6	0	4	
Totals	149	253	9	6	1,585	72	34	-18	0	15	

2023 GAME-BY-GAME (@ TULSA)

Opponent	GS	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Yds	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
Ark-Pine Bluff	DNP										
at Washington	DNP										
Oklahoma	DNP										
at N. Illinois	DNP										
Temple	DNP										
at FAU	DNP										
Rice	DNP										
at SMU	DNP										
Charlotte	6	16	0	1	74	-	0	0	0	0	
at Tulane	22	34	1	0	345	-	6	3	0	13	
North Texas *	17	34	3	1	251	-	5	-23	0	0	
at East Carolina *	23	37	2	1	297	-	3	23	0	17	
Totals	68	121	6	3	967	-	14	3	0	17	



Tristian GENTRY

WR | 6-0 | 180 | So. | 2nd Yr. | 1L
Stephenville, Texas | Stephenville HS
Career Games: 7 / Career Starts: 0

2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Impressed as only a true freshman, both as a wide receiver and as a returner ... flashed during preseason camp with his speed, giving him quick access to the field ... injuries ultimately limited him during Big 12 play, holding him to only seven games played on the season.
- Caught four passes for 45 yards on the season in limited time as a wide receiver ... made two catches for 33 yards in the victory over UCF (11/15) and followed with one catch for 15 yards in the regular-season win at West Virginia (11/29) ... only other catch went for a three-yard loss earlier in the season against Oregon State (9/13).
- Entered the season as one of Texas Tech's top options as a returner on special teams ... ultimately returned 10 punts for 76 yards and three kicks for 74 yards ... his 10 total punt returns led the team as five of those were brought back for at least 10 yards ... was second on the team for total punt return yards behind only Coy Eakin (121) ... best kickoff return went for 29 yards late in the season against UCF.
- Scout team member ... recognized as the offensive scout team player of the week following Texas Tech's win at Kansas State (11/11).

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Stephenville High School in his hometown of Stephenville, Texas ... one of the top wide receiver prospects in the state of Texas and nationally ... second wide receiver out of Stephenville to sign with Texas Tech under Joey McGuire, joining Coy Eakin.
- Two-way player for Stephenville, starring not only as a wide receiver but also in the secondary during prep career ... led the Yellow Jackets to the Class 4A Division I state quarterfinal round as a senior ... previously helped push Stephenville to the same round as a junior in 2023 and then the area round as a sophomore.
- Posted at least 1,000 receiving yards all three seasons on varsity to boost his stock among the state's top wideouts ... combined to make 228 catches for 4,416 yards and 51 touchdowns over his Stephenville career ... also rushed 12 times for 80 yards and another score during that span, while completing four passes for 141 yards and a touchdown.
- Named a first team All-State selection by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA) as a senior after catching 93 passes for 1,778 yards and 22 touchdowns, all career bests ... garnered first team All-District 4-4A honors as well for a Stephenville program that finished 12-2 overall.
- Caught 74 passes for 1,528 yards and 15 touchdowns as a junior in 2023 en route to earning District 5-4A Offensive MVP honors ... recognized as a first team All-State selection by Padilla Poll and a second team All-State honoree by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA) that same season ... tabbed a first team All-District 5-4A honoree as a sophomore after hauling in 61 passes for 1,110 yards and 14 touchdowns.
- Member of the Stephenville track and field program like many other Texas Tech signees ... was one of Texas Tech's first commitments to the 2025 class.
- Considered a four-star prospect by the likes of On3, 247Sports and Rivals ... among the top 300 recruits in the country by On3, ranking No. 254 nationally ... ranked as high as No. 31 among wide receivers nationally by 247Sports and No. 34 by On3 ... consensus top-100 prospect in the state of Texas, ranking as high as No. 33 by 247Sports ... also listed as the No. 41 recruit in Texas by On3, No. 57 by Rivals and No. 69 by ESPN.

PERSONAL

- Tristian Gentry ... parents are Curtis and Gianna Powell ... has four brothers - Austin, La'trell, Bryson and Cayden - and one sister, Kayla.
- A sport management major at Texas Tech.



Elias GILLEN

OL | 6-6 | 315 | So. | 2nd Yr.
Rapid City, S.D. | Stevens HS
Career Games: 1 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in one game as a true freshman, which came in the season-opening win over Arkansas-Pine Bluff ... scout team member.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Stevens High School in Rapid City, South Dakota ... program plays at the highest classification in the state (11AAAA) ... primarily played offensive tackle for the Stevens Raiders.
- Named to the 2024 Class 11AAAA All-State first team despite the team having a 0-9 record ... the towering left tackle allowed zero sacks and racked up 65 pancakes, per the Rapid City Journal ... in addition to All-State honors, was named to the All-Area and All-Conference teams following senior season.
- Member of the Stevens track and field team as well ... swept the Class 2A titles in both the shot put (59-1.25") and discus (173-10) his senior season ... previously won the state title in the discus as a junior (170-10), while finishing second in the shot put (55-10.5) ... broke the Stevens school record in the discus as his personal best of 176 feet, 8 inches as a senior was 22 feet better than the previous mark.
- Committed to Texas Tech on June 21, 2024 ... a consensus three-star recruit by On3, 247Sports, ESPN and Rivals ... tabbed the No. 1 recruit in the state by On3 and the No. 2 recruit in the state by 247 Sports and ESPN

PERSONAL

- Elias Gillen ... son of Dean and Alexia Gillen ... has a sister, Evyenia Gillen.
- Enjoys hunting and fishing outside of football.
- An accounting major at Texas Tech.



Bryce GILMORE

OL | 6-4 | 285 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Prosper, Texas | Prosper HS

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Prosper High School in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex ... one of the top high school prospects in the state of Texas for a Prosper program that advanced to the Class 6A Division II regional semifinals his senior year ...
- Garnered first team All-District 6-A honors after allowing no sacks during his senior season ... key part of a Prosper offensive line that was ranked the state's top unit in Class 6A by Dave Campbell's Texas Football ... collected first team All-District 6-A accolades his junior year as well en route to pushing Prosper to a playoff appearance in the Division I bracket.
- Named to the final ballot for the Whataburger Super Team compiled by Dave Campbell's Texas Football his senior ... later invited to play in the Navy All-American Bowl in San Antonio prior to joining the Red Raiders as a mid-year enrollee ... standout in the classroom as well as a member of the academic honor roll.
- A consensus four-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, 247Sports and ESPN ... tabbed a top-300 recruit nationally by both Rivals and 247Sports ... ranked as high as No. 17 among offensive tackles nationally by 247Sports and was No. 20 among prospects in the state of Texas ... listed at No. 27 among offensive tackles by Rivals and the No. 36 recruit in the Lone Star State by Rivals.
- Committed to Texas Tech on Sept. 14, 2025, during his senior season ... joined the Red Raiders as a mid-year enrollee after graduating from Prosper in December 2025 ... **CHOOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** De Miss, Arizona State, Arkansas, Vanderbilt, Arizona, Auburn, Baylor, Florida, Miami, Oregon, Penn State, TCU, Utah, Nebraska, Missouri and others.

PERSONAL

- Bryce Gilmore ... born in Mesa, Arizona, to parents Bryan and Lashanna Gilmore before moving to the DFW area ... has four siblings, Bryan II, Princess, Gabbie and Brooklyn.
- Father played at Midwestern State University and then spent time in the NFL with the 49ers, Dolphins and Cardinals.
- A pre-business major at Texas Tech.



Brock GOLWAS

LB | 6-1 | 240 | So. | 2nd Yr. | 1L
Flower Mound, Texas | Marcus HS
Career Games: 14 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Impressed as only a true freshman, especially in an experienced inside linebackers room that featured two All-Big 12 selections, including a multi-time national award winner in Jacob Rodriguez ... appeared in all 14 games due to his ability on special teams ... also broke into the linebacker rotation as the season progressed.
- Totaled 16 tackles (7 solo) to go along with a quarterback hurry ... vast majority of tackles - 13 to be exact - came against Big 12 opponents ... had a tackle in eight different games and multiple stops in four of those contests ... made two of those tackles as part of kickoff coverage.
- Credited with 99 defensive snaps on the season by Pro Football Focus, receiving a 71.7 overall grade by the publication ... took part in 119 additional snaps on special teams with the vast majority coming on kickoff coverage ... led the Red Raiders with 105 snaps on kickoff coverage ... also saw limited time on the kickoff return and punt return units.
- Best performance of the season came in the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship versus BYU (12/6) ... briefly replaced Ben Roberts in the first half due to injury, making six key tackles in the win, the third-highest total on the team ... credited with only 12 defensive snaps but was rewarded with a 82.1 overall grade by Pro Football Focus, his highest of the season.
- Previously had two tackles in the earlier matchup against BYU (11/8) in Lubbock ... added a quarterback hurry in that win as well, which came on a fourth-down stop on BYU's final drive of the game ... had other multi-tackle performances earlier in the season with two stops versus Kent State (9/6) and three against Kansas (10/11) ... made his first career tackle in his collegiate debut versus Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) in the season opener.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Flower Mound Marcus High School in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex ... talented athlete that played quarterback, outside linebacker, inside linebacker, safety and punter during high school career ... shined at inside linebacker as a senior, same position he will play as a Red Raider.
- Selected to for the final 2024 Whataburger Super Team following his senior season ... finished with 90 tackles and 6.0 sacks over a 10-game season in 2024 en route to earning unanimous All-District 5-6A accolades at inside linebacker ... also had 12 carries for 84 rushing yards and one touchdown on offense.
- Recognized as a first team All-District 6-A selection as a safety his junior year ... tallied 51 tackles, 5.0 tackles for loss, six pass breakups and two fumble recoveries that year ... named a second team All-District OLB as a sophomore.
- Three-sport athlete at Marcus also playing baseball and competing on the track team ... as a right-handed pitcher, topped 86 MPH with a 79 MPH slider at the 2024 Five Tool Festival where he also belted a home run at the event ... played varsity baseball as a sophomore ... registered a personal-best 10.74 100-meter dash as a member of the track team.
- An active volunteer for three years in Lewisville ISD's Adopt an Athlete program, mentoring a class of second graders at Bridlewood Elementary ... member of the National Honor Society and Student Advisory Council.
- Consensus three-star recruit by the likes of ESPN, 247Sports, On3 and Rivals ... ranked as high as No. 24 among linebackers nationally by Rivals and was at No. 43 by ESPN ... was a top-100 recruit in the state of Texas by both publications.

PERSONAL

- Brock Golwas ... born in Houston, Texas ... calls Flower Mound, Texas home ... son of Stephen and Lara Golwas ... his father is a Texas Tech alumnus ... has one sister, Kate.
- Comes from a family of athletes ... the late Peter Golwas, his grandfather, was on the U.S. Naval Academy football and track teams in the early 1960s ... followed his football career by serving two tours in Vietnam and earning two Bronze Stars and the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal ... cousin Ross Maticisk played football at Baylor (2015-19) and later the Jacksonville Jaguars ... cousin Brent Maticisk played football at TCU (2019-24) ... cousin Paine Maticisk played football at Rice (2013-16).
- Outside of football, enjoys golf and fishing.
- A business management major at Texas Tech.



Tarrion GRANT

CB | 6-2 | 190 | Jr. | 3rd Yr. (2nd at Tech)
Sumter, S.C. | Siegel HS | Purdue
Career Games: 17 / Career Starts: 3

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2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Appeared in six games during his debut season as a Red Raider ... missed four games at the start of Big 12 play due to injury after entering the year as a backup at one of the two cornerback spots ... contributed via special teams in addition to his role in the secondary.
- Recorded three tackles, all solo stops, with one in his season debut versus Kent State (9/6) and the other two the next week in the win over Oregon State (9/13) ... broke up his lone pass of the season in the same win over the Beavers.
- Targeted seven times in the passing game, according to Pro Football Focus, with only three of those leading to a completion ... plated at least one snap defensively in all six games, which included at both Kansas State (11/1) and West Virginia (11/29) during Big 12 play as well as the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship versus BYU (12/6) and the Capital One Orange Bowl against Oregon (1/1).
- Inserted as part of Texas Tech's punt return unit late in the year on special teams ... also inserted briefly on kickoff coverage and field goal block teams during the season.

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Played his true freshman season at Purdue before opting to enter the transfer portal ... joined the Red Raiders prior to the start of spring practices with four seasons of eligibility remaining ... was the fifth Purdue true freshman to start a season opener on defense for Purdue since the turn of the century ... made three starts overall and played in 11 of the Boilermakers' 12 regular season games.
- Totaled 13 tackles in first collegiate season with a season-high three stops at Oregon State (9/21) ... added two pass breakups, which both came at Ohio State (11/9) late in the season ... credited with playing in 253 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus ... enrolled at Purdue in May of 2024 shortly after graduating high school early.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Siegel High School in Murfreesboro, Tenn. ... developed into one of the top prospects not only in the state of Tennessee but also nationally despite not beginning to play the game of football until his freshman year in high school ... reclassified to the class of 2024 to join Purdue a year earlier than expected.
- Helped lead Siegel to the Class 6A state playoffs for the first time since 2016 during his senior season ... named to the All-State, All-District and All-Region teams, respectively, as a senior after totaling 36 tackles, 15 solos, five pass breakups and 2.0 tackles-for-loss on defense ... two-way player as a wide receiver on offense, logging 29 receptions for 462 yards and eight touchdowns that same season ... recognized as the 2023 6-3A Region Athlete of the Year by the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA).
- Two-sport athlete, also competing for the track and field program ... posted a 10.71 time in the 100-meter dash and jumped 23-1/2 feet in the long jump in the spring of 2024 ... successful in the classroom as well as a three-time academic honor roll recipient.
- Originally rated a five-star prospect by On3 in the class of 2025 before reclassifying ... consensus four-star signee by the likes of On3, 247Sports, ESPN and Rivals ... listed as the No. 1 player in the state of Tennessee by the On3 and 247Sports composite rankings ... considered a top-300 prospect nationally by On3, 247Sports and Rivals with the latter ranking him as high as No. 60 in the country and No. 8 among cornerbacks.
- Chose to attend Purdue over offers from Virginia Tech, LSU, Oregon, Louisville, Alabama, Arkansas, LSU, Michigan State, Miami, Nebraska and others.

PERSONAL

- Tarrion (tuh-RON) Grant ... son of Tim and Carbia Grant ... has two brothers, Tim and Tarrell.
- Major at Texas Tech is communication studies.

PARTICIPATION	2024*	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	11/3	6/0	17/3

* at Purdue

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	PD	FF	FR	INT
2024 (Purdue)	11	8	5	13	0.0	0	2	1	0	0
2025 (TTU)	6	3	0	3	0.0	0	1	0	0	0
TOTALS	17	11	5	16	0.0	0	3	1	0	0

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	TFL-YDS	INT-YDS	FF	FR	PBU
Ark.-Pine Bluff				DNP					
Kent State	1	0	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Oregon State	2	0	2	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1
at Utah				DNP					
at Houston				DNP					
Kansas				DNP					
at Arizona State				DNP					
Oklahoma State				DNP					
at Kansas State	0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
BYU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
UCF				DNP					
at West Virginia				DNP					
vs. BYU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Oregon	0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Totals	3	0	3	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1

2024 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ PURDUE)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	TFL-YDS	INT-YDS	FF	FR	PBU
Indiana State	*	2	0	2	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Notre Dame	*	1	0	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
at Oregon State	*	0	3	3	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Nebraska	1	0	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Wisconsin	0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Illinois	1	0	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
Oregon	1	0	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Northwestern	1	0	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Ohio State	1	0	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2
Penn State	0	1	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Michigan State	0	1	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Indiana				DNP					
Totals	8	5	13	0.0-0	0-0	1	0	2	



Jamarn GRANT II

CB | 6-2 | 205 | Jr. | 3rd Yr. (1st at Tech)
Fort Worth, Texas | Boswell HS

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2026 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Joined the Red Raiders' football program in the spring of 2026 after spending the 2024-25 academic year and fall of 2025 as a student at Texas Tech.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Boswell High School in Fort Worth, Texas, a 3-6A program under head coach Wes Weaver ... two-way player for Boswell, seeing time at quarterback and wide receiver during high school career in addition to playing in the secondary.
- Registered 82 tackles as a senior in 2023 to go along with five interceptions, 3.0 tackles for loss and two forced fumbles ... named to the All-District 3-6A second team as a defensive back that season en route to pushing Boswell to the Class 6A Division II playoffs.
- Named the Boswell Student-Athlete of the Week on Sept. 22, 2023, following an interception against Trinity along with 11 tackles ... marked the fourth-consecutive game to create a takeaway at that point in the season ... had three interceptions and a fumble recovery during that stretch.
- Voted as a team captain and named to the school's honor roll during his senior season ... two-sport athlete, specializing in the 4x100-meter relay, the 4x200-meter relay, the 100-meter dash and the 400 meters for the track and field program ... graduated from Boswell in May 2024.

PERSONAL

- Jamarn Grant II ... nickname is J.J. ... son of Jamarn Grant Sr. and Tanisha Grant ... has one sister, Amore ... born in Chicago, Ill., before moving to Fort Worth.
- Majoring in biology at Texas Tech with the goal of becoming an orthopedic surgeon.

PREVIEW

RED RAIDERS

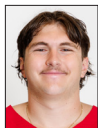
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HISTORY

RECORDS

TEXAS TECH



Danilo GUBERINICH

OL | 6-5 | 295 | So. | 2nd Yr.
Ann Arbor, Mich. | Detroit Catholic Central
Career Games: 1 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

• Appeared in only one game as a freshman, which came in the season opener versus Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) ... scout team member ... tabbed the offensive scout team player of the week following the win over BYU (11/8).

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Detroit Catholic Central High School in Novi, Mich. ... one of the first signees out of the state of Michigan to sign with the Red Raiders in recent memory ... two-way player for the Shamrocks as both an offensive tackle and defensive tackle.
- Tabbed an All-Region selection as a senior defensive lineman ... helped push the Shamrocks to the MHSAA state semifinals as a senior with a 12-1 overall record ... defensively, the Shamrocks allowed only 8.9 points per game his senior year.
- Member of the school's hockey program early in his prep career.
- Considered a three-star prospect by the likes of On3, 247Sports and ESPN ... listed as the No. 4 player in the state of Michigan by On3 and the No. 30 offensive tackle nationally ... ranked No. 17 in the state of Michigan by 247Sports.
- **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Air Force, Akron, Army, Central Michigan, Marshall, Purdue, Indiana and Vanderbilt, among others.

PERSONAL

- Danilo Guberinich ... born in Ypsilanti, Mich., to parents Dan Guberinich and Cristina Scappaticci ... has a brother, Bruno, who also play collegiately at Central Michigan.
- Enjoys the outdoors and hunting as well as playing hockey.
- A management major at Texas Tech.



LaDamion GUYTON

OLB | 6-4 | 235 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Savannah, Ga. | Benedictine Military School

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Benedictine Military School in his hometown of Savannah, Ga. ... previously attended Savannah Christian Prep School prior to transferring to Benedictine prior to his 2025 junior season ... one of the most-talented defensive players to ever sign with the Red Raiders and the top one to do so from the defensive side of the ball.
- Teammates with fellow Texas Tech signee Stephen Cannon at Benedictine with the two helping lead the Cadets to the GHSA Class 4A state championship game his junior year at Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta ... while known for his defensive play, actually threw a touchdown pass in the state title game via a trick play ... played for one of the top high school programs in the state at Benedictine, which annually produces Division-I products.
- Closed his junior year - his final season at the prep level - with 76 tackles, 15.0 tackles for loss, 7.0 sacks and 27 quarterback hurries to earn first team All-State honors by the Atlanta Journal-Constitution ... earned first team All-Greater Savannah honors by the Savannah Morning News in each of his three seasons.
- Recorded 82 tackles with 19.5 for a loss and 10.0 sacks as only a freshman, leading Savannah Christian to the Class 3A state finals ... strong debut at the prep level earned his Freshman All-America accolades by MaxPreps that season ... followed with 52 tackles, including 13.5 for a loss and 6.5 sacks in only nine games as a sophomore for a team that reached the state quarterfinals and finished 10-1 overall.
- Listed as a five-star prospect by ESPN and as a four-star signee by both 247Sports Rivals ... was previously the No. 1 recruit in the 2027 class prior to reclassifying to 2026 ... ranked as high as No. 6 among recruits nationally by ESPN and the top player from the state of Georgia ... considered No. 45 overall by 247Sports among all national recruits and third in his home state.
- Became the second-highest rated signee by 247Sports (in the Internet era) to sign with the Red Raiders, trailing only Micah Hudson ... was the highest-rated defensive signee for the Red Raiders since the only service became available ... reclassified to the 2026 class in order to join the Red Raiders ahead of preseason camp ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Georgia, Tennessee, South Carolina, Alabama and LSU, among others.



Luke HAMILTON

CB | 5-11 | 185 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Fayetteville, N.C. | New Braunfels Canyon HS [TX]

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Canyon High School in New Braunfels ... spent time at both receiver and corner while returning punts throughout prep career ... helped push Canyon to a playoff appearance his final two seasons, including a Class 6A Division II regional semifinal appearance as a junior in 2024.
- Amassed 103 tackles, eight pass breakups and three forced fumbles over his three seasons ... garnered first team All-District 29-6A honors as a senior after recording 31 tackles, two pass breakups and two fumble recoveries.
- Two-sport athlete at Canyon, also competing in track and field ... qualified for the Class 6A state meet in the 300-meter hurdles as only a sophomore after setting a school record with a 38.49 time at the regional meet ... competed in the 110-meter hurdles and the 200-meter dash ... clocked as low as 22.25 in the 200 meters during his sophomore season.
- Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, 247Sports and ESPN ... among the first commitments to Texas Tech's 2026 class after pledging his decision on Jan. 18, 2025 ... joined the Red Raiders as a mid-year enrollee in January 2026 ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Baylor, Texas State and Ole Miss.

PERSONAL

- Luke Hamilton ... born in Fayetteville, North Carolina, to parents Quincy Hamilton and Casandra Ortiz ... has six siblings, Q, Kristen, Tyler, Ant, Myles and Violet.
- A communication studies major at Texas Tech.



▲ **THE 2025 RED RAIDERS** went undefeated in seven home games and were one of three Big 12 programs to average more than 60,000 fans per game. The homefield advantage helped Texas Tech to a 7-0 record, marking the program's fourth seven-win home season in program history. It was the 15th time (including ties) that Texas Tech had gone undefeated at home.



Will HAMMOND

QB | 6-2 | 210 | Jr. | 3rd Yr. | 11
Austin, Texas | Hutto HS
Career Games: 12 / Career Starts: 3

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CAREER HONORS

- Big 12 Freshman of the Week - Sept. 22 (2025, R.Fr.)
- Big 12 Offensive Player of the Week - Sept. 22 (2025, R.Fr.)

2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Likely one of the most-talented backup quarterbacks in the country, giving the Red Raiders a reliable option behind Behren Morton ... limited to eight games on the season with two starts until a knee injury cut his season short.
- Completed 63.3 percent of his passes (69-of-109) for 680 yards and seven touchdowns to only three interceptions ... dual-threat option behind center with 43 carries for 299 yards and five touchdowns ... marked the most rushing yards by a Red Raider quarterback in a season since Jett Duffey had 369 in 2018 ... accounted for at least one touchdown in six of the eight games entered.
- Best performance on the season was in relief of Morton in the Big 12 opener at Utah (9/20) ... entered the game on Texas Tech's first drive of the second half to complete 13-of-16 passes for 169 yards and two touchdowns, while rushing eight times for a career-high 61 yards ... both touchdown passes came in a pivotal fourth quarter, beginning with a 24-yard strike down the left side to Terrance Carter Jr. for a 20-10 lead and then a 21-yard pass to Reggie Virgil with 1:53 remaining ... started the drive that ended with Carter's touchdown with a 32-yard rush, the longest of his career ... named the Big 12 Freshman and Offensive Player of the Week for his performance.
- Made his first start of the year at Arizona State (10/18), nearly leading the Red Raiders to a come-from-behind victory ... completed 22-of-37 passes for 167 yards and two touchdowns, while also carrying 15 times for 47 yards and another score ... marked the first time in his career to combine for three or more touchdowns ... cut Arizona State's lead to 19-14 with a one-yard touchdown run with 3:45 remaining and then gave the Red Raiders a 22-19 lead on a 12-yard touchdown pass to Reggie Virgil less than two minutes later ... converted the two-point conversion with his legs following Virgil's touchdown ... previously hit Coy Eakin on a 30-yard touchdown pass down the left side midway through the second quarter.
- Back in the starting lineup the next week against Oklahoma State (10/25), finishing 9-of-15 for 102 yards and a touchdown ... outing was cut short after suffering a season-ending knee injury late in the second quarter ... added four carries for 21 yards on the ground, too ... pushed the Red Raiders' lead to 13-0 after connecting with J'Koby Williams on a 26-yard touchdown pass early in the first quarter.
- Previously had come off the bench to rush for a pair of touchdowns against Kansas (10/11) ... rushed eight times for 61 yards, while completing 7-of-16 passes for 42 yards in the win over the Jayhawks ... pushed the Red Raiders' lead to 28-17 on a 20-yard touchdown scamper midway through the third quarter and then found the end zone again from 10-yards out late in the fourth quarter ... marked the first multi-touchdown game of his career on the ground.
- Began the season by completing 7-of-9 passes for 92 yards and a touchdown against Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30), while rushing only once, which went for a 64-yard touchdown ... had a touchdown pass and rushing score in each of the first two games of the year ... was 7-of-10 for 94 yards and a touchdown the next week versus Kent State (9/6) to go along with three rushers for 27 yards and another score.

2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Earned the backup quarterback role early in his freshman season despite arriving on campus only the previous January ... appeared in four games overall with one start, which came in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl versus Arkansas.
- Completed 35-of-57 passes overall (61.4 percent) for 471 yards and two touchdowns, while rushing 17 times for 49 yards and two additional scores ... regarded as a dual-threat option behind center with his ability to get yards with his legs.
- Made his collegiate debut in the second half of Texas Tech's rout of North Texas (9/14), completing 5-of-7 passes for 70 yards while also rushing twice for 11 yards ... completed his first career pass for 32 yards, hitting fellow true freshman Micah Hudson over the middle to jumpstart a quick touchdown drive.
- Most significant action of the regular season came in the second half at TCU (10/26) where he relieved an injured Behren Morton ... led the Red Raiders to touchdowns on each of their first two drives after entering the game ... finished

10-of-15 overall for 121 yards and a touchdown, while rushing eight times for 16 yards and another score ... found Coy Eakin on a 13-yard fade for his first career touchdown pass with 12:21 remaining in the third quarter to cap Texas Tech's opening drive ... followed by keeping on an RPO for a four-yard touchdown run on the Red Raiders' next drive to take a 31-14 lead midway through the third quarter.

- Limited from there in order to preserve redshirt season, appearing only late in the win over West Virginia (11/30) with one incomplete pass and two rush attempts for eight yards and a touchdown ... scored with 3:36 remaining in the fourth quarter on a four-yard carry for Texas Tech's final touchdown of the 52-15 rout.
- Replaced Morton again to earn the start against Arkansas (12/27) in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl, finishing 20-of-34 overall for 280 yards and a touchdown ... rushed five times in the loss for 14 yards ... became the eighth true freshman in school history to start a game at quarterback, joining the likes of Ron Reeves (1978), Aaron Keese (1984), Baker Mayfield (2013), Davis Webb (2021), Patrick Mahomes II (2014), Alan Bowman (2018) and Jake Strong (2023) ... was the fourth freshman and only the second true freshman to ever start a bowl game, joining the likes of Zebbie Lethridge (1994), Webb and Donovan Smith (2021) ... his 280 passing yards were the fourth-highest total for a true freshman making his first career start, trailing only Webb (415 versus Iowa State), Mayfield (413 at SMU) and Bowman (282 versus Lamar).

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Hutto High School in the Austin area ... prolific quarterback who totaled more than 8,700 passing yards and 84 touchdowns during prep career ... powered one of the nation's top high school offenses, accounting for an additional 2,344 rushing yards and 37 touchdowns on the ground as a dual-threat option ... responsible for 121 touchdowns over his four varsity seasons.
- Finished as the state's leading passer as a senior after completing 61.3 percent of his passes for 3,901 yards and 35 touchdowns, while rushing for an additional 1,077 yards and 19 touchdowns ... named one of 10 finalists for the Mr. Texas Football High School Player of the Year Award presented by Dave Campbell's Texas Football ... was a finalist alongside his future wide receiver target in Micah Hudson ... tabbed the District 12-6A Co-MVP following strong close to his prep career.
- Previously totaled 2,763 passing yards and 30 touchdowns to only five interceptions his junior season, while also rushing for 828 yards and nine touchdowns on 120 attempts ... led a Hutto offense that averaged 35.8 points per game, earning him a share of District 12-6A Offensive MVP accolades ... competed in one of the state's top 6A districts alongside future teammate Tyson Turner ... was an honorable mention All-State selection by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA).
- Collected second team All-District 25-6A honors as only a sophomore after throwing for 1,704 yards and 17 touchdowns, while also rushing for 419 yards and eight more scores ... made his debut as a freshman with 358 passing yards and two touchdowns to go with 20 rushing yards on the ground and another touchdown.
- Finished as a finalist at the prestigious Elite 11 competition ... a consensus four-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, 247Sports, ESPN and On3 ... ranked as high as No. 13 nationally among quarterbacks by both Rivals and On3 as well as 14th by 247Sports and 15th by ESPN ... consensus top-100 athlete in the state of Texas by all four publications and a top-300 prospect nationally by Rivals, 247Sports and On3 ... rated as the No. 200 player in the country by Rivals and the No. 34 prospect in the state ... was No. 202 overall by On3 and No. 38 among Texas recruits.
- **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Auburn, Houston, Oregon, Penn State, Oklahoma State, Tennessee, Texas A&M and UTSA.

PERSONAL

- Will Hammond ... born in Austin, Texas ... son of Marshall and Julie Hammond ... one of four siblings - Crystal, Dallin, Melissa and Reed.
- A management major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION

	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	4/1	8/2	12/3

CAREER STATS

PASSING	G	Cmp	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Lg	Pct	Avg/G	Effic
2024	4	35	57	2	471	2	47	61.4	117.8	135.4
2025	8	69	109	3	680	7	38	63.3	85.0	131.4
Totals	12	104	166	5	1,151	9	47	62.7	95.2	132.8

RUSHING

	G	Att	Yds	TD	Lg	Avg/G
2024	4	17	49	2	12	12.3
2025	8	43	299	5	64	37.4
Totals	12	60	348	7	64	29.0

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▲ **WILL HAMMOND** put Red Raider fans — and the nation — on notice that Texas Tech's future was in good hands when the redshirt freshman was thrust into action for an injured Behren Morton against No. 16 Utah last season. Hammond entered in the third quarter and engineered four scoring drives to lead the then-No. 17 Red Raiders to a 34-10 victory in FOX's Big Noon Kickoff featured game.

2025 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	GS	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Yds	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	LG
Ark-Pine Bluff		7	9	1	0	92	19	1	64	1	64
Kent State		7	10	1	0	94	38	2	27	1	13
Oregon State		4	6	0	1	14	9	2	17	0	14
at Utah		13	16	2	0	169	33	8	61	0	32
at Houston		0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1
Kansas		7	16	0	1	42	12	8	61	2	20
at Arizona State	*	22	37	2	1	167	30	15	47	1	12
Oklahoma State	*	9	15	1	0	102	26	4	21	0	11
at Kansas State		DNP-injured									
BYU		DNP-injured									
UCF		DNP-injured									
at West Virginia		DNP-injured									
vs. BYU		DNP-injured									
vs. Oregon		DNP-injured									
Totals		69	109	7	3	680	38	43	299	5	64

2024 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	GS	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Yds	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	LG
Abilene Christian		DNP									
at Washington St.		DNP									
North Texas		5	7	0	0	70	32	2	11	0	8
Arizona State		DNP									
Cincinnati		DNP									
at Arizona		DNP									
Baylor		DNP									
at TCU		10	15	1	0	121	36	8	16	1	12
at Iowa State		DNP									
Colorado		DNP									
at Oklahoma St.		DNP									
West Virginia		0	1	0	0	0	0	2	8	1	4
vs. Arkansas	*	20	34	1	2	280	47	5	14	0	12
Totals		35	57	2	2	471	47	17	49	2	12



Ashton HAMPTON
CB | 6-0 | 175 | Jr. | 3rd Yr. | 1L
Pearland, Texas | Pearland HS
Career Games: 15 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Saw an increased role as a sophomore as a reserve cornerback and a regular on special teams ... appeared in 13 of 14 games overall, missing only the road win at Houston (10/4) during Big 12 play.
- Totaled six tackles on the season, which came over five games ... added two pass breakups and a fumble recovery, the latter of which was part of special teams ... both pass breakups came in the first two games of the season against Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) and Kent State (9/6).
- Helped provide one of the early key plays in the regular-season win over BYU (11/8), falling on a muffed punt return from the Cougars following Texas Tech's opening drive of the game ... the Red Raiders settled for a Stone Harrington field goal on the ensuing drive for an early 3-0 lead.
- Added a tackle on punt coverage again later in that BYU win ... also recorded tackles against Kent State, Oregon State (9/13) and at West Virginia (11/29) ... matched his career high with two tackles at Utah on the final drive of the game.
- Credited with 97 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him an impressive 82.7 overall grade ... had an 86.2 grade in coverage by the publication after only one of his eight targets against him went for a completion ... that one completion went for only a three-yard gain ... added 155 snaps on special teams as a regular member of the kickoff coverage, punt coverage and punt return units.

2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in the final two games of his freshman season against West Virginia (11/30) and Arkansas (12/27) ... made both of his two tackles on the season in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl, including one shared stop that went for a seven-yard loss.
- Scout team member ... recognized as the defensive scout team player of the week following Texas Tech's victory over Cincinnati (9/28).

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Pearland High School located just south of Houston ... developed into one of the top defensive backs in the state at Pearland ... helped push Pearland to the playoffs in each of his three seasons despite playing in one of the most-competitive 6A districts in the state.
- Pearland was 9-3 his senior season and 6-1 in District 23-6A after falling in the Class 6A Division I area round ... blocked three field goals in Pearland's five-overtime win over Dickinson in the first round of the playoffs, which also featured an interception.
- Named to the All-District 23-6A first team each of his final two seasons ... named first team All-Greater Houston by the Houston Chronicle after finishing with 39 tackles as a senior to go along with five interceptions, seven pass breakups and two forced fumbles.
- Previously totaled 53 tackles as a junior in 2022 as well as five interceptions and nine pass breakups ... showed athleticism as a threat in the return game as well with multiple punt returns for a touchdown during his prep career ... tabbed to the District 23-6A second team as only a sophomore.
- Dual-sport athlete as a member of the Pearland track and field program ... member of Pearland's 4x100, 4x200 and 4x400 relay teams.
- Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, 247Sports, ESPN and On3 ... listed as the No. 40 safety in the country by ESPN and the No. 67 prospect in the state of Texas ... ranked 57th among safeties nationally by On3.
- **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Army, Houston, Oregon State, Missouri, SMU, Tulane, Vanderbilt, Washington State and Utah State, among others.

PERSONAL

- Ashton Hampton ... prefers the nickname "Hamp" ... born in Clear Lake, Texas ... calls Pearland, Texas home ... son of Lano and Damita Hampton ... mother is a coach at Pearland High School ... has four other siblings in Omar, Alaina, Addison and Anderson ... older sister, Alaina, completed her junior season as an infielder for the UT-Arlington softball program in 2025.
- A management major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	2/0	13/0	15/0



Jacob HAND

K | 6-1 | 180 | Sr. | 4th Yr. (1st at Tech)
Mansfield, Texas | Mansfield HS | Stephen F. Austin
Career Games: 27 / Career Starts: 0

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PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Arrived at Texas Tech following three seasons at Stephen F. Austin ... will have two seasons of eligibility remaining with the Red Raiders, boosting Texas Tech's specialist room with his another big leg on field goals and on kickoffs.
- Combined to make 3-of-4 field goals attempted over his 27 career games played with the Lumberjacks ... all three makes came during his 2025 sophomore season and were all on 40-plus yards ... as a kickoff specialist, booted 95 of his 172 kickoffs over his three seasons for a touchback, averaging 62.2 yards per kickoff over his career.
- 2025 SEASON (JUNIOR AT STEPHEN F. AUSTIN): appeared in all 14 games as a junior as the primary kickoff specialist and occasional placekicker ... was a perfect 3-of-3 on field goal attempts on the season, finding the uprights from 54 yards against Nicholls State (10/18), 56 yards versus Lamar (11/15) and then 48 yards against Abilene Christian (12/6) in the second round of the FCS playoffs ... field goal versus ACU pushed SFA's lead to 41-34 with 1:56 to play in an eventual win.
- His 56-yarder against Lamar marked the second-longest successful attempt by a Lumberjack in program history, trailing only a 58-yard field goal from Chuck Rawlison against Sam Houston in 1991 ... his 54-yarder versus Nicholls, meanwhile, matched the third-longest attempt all-time in the SFA record book ... only the third SFA placekicker with multiple makes of 54-plus yards in a career and the first to do so in a single season ... joined North Carolina A&T's Andrew Brown as the only FCS kickers with multiple makes from 54-plus yards on the season.
- Remained SFA's kickoff specialist for a second-consecutive season, booting 48 of his 89 attempts for a touchback ... totaled 5,524 yards on kickoffs, averaging 62.1 yards an attempt.
- 2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at STEPHEN F. AUSTIN): became SFA's main kickoff specialist during second season on campus ... appeared in all 12 games that season after being called on for kickoff duty 82 times with 47 resulting in a touchback ... compiled 5,108 yards on kickoff at an average of 62.3 yards an attempt.
- 2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN at STEPHEN F. AUSTIN): appeared in only one game as a freshman, which came early in the season at Northwestern State (9/16) ... missed on his lone field goal attempt from 33 yards in the blowout win ... called on to kickoff once, which went 65 yards.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Mansfield High School in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex ... part of a Mansfield program that played in the Class 6A Division II playoffs his senior season ... earned All-District 11-6A honors as a kicker his senior year ... garnered first team All-District 11-6A accolades his junior year as a punter.

PERSONAL

- Jacob Hand ... son of Brent and Jaclyn Hand ... has a brother, Jonah.
- Grew up playing soccer competitively before switching to football.
- An applied personal finance major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2023*	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	1/0	12/0	14/0	27/0

* at Stephen F. Austin

FGs (Dis.)	FGM-FGA	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60+
2023 (SFA)	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0
2024 (SFA)	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
2025 (SFA)	3-3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	3-3	0-0
Totals	3-4	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	3-3	0-0

SCORING	G	TD	Rush	Pass	Retn	PAT	2PAT	FG	Points	Avg/G
2023 (SFA)	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0.0
2024 (SFA)	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
2025 (SFA)	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	9	0.0
Totals	27	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	10	0.0

2025 GAME-BY-GAME FG STATS (@ SFA) | (Made), Missed, Blocked

Opponent	Att. 1	Att. 2	Att. 3	Att. 4	Att. 5	Totals	Long
at Houston	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
at Abilene Christian	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
Sul Ross St.	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
Cal Poly	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
McNeese	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
at Incarnate Word	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
Nicholls	54	-	-	-	-	1-of-1	54
at East Texas A&M	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
UTRGV	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
at Houston Christian	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
Lamar	56	-	-	-	-	1-of-1	56
at Northwestern St.	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
Abilene Christian	48	-	-	-	-	1-of-1	48
at Montana State	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
Totals						3-of-3	56



Stone HARRINGTON

K | 6-3 | 210 | Sr. | 5th Yr. | 2L
Colleyville, Texas | Colleyville Heritage HS
Career Games: 20 / Career Starts: 0

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CAREER HONORS

- All-Big 12 First Team (2025, Sr.)
- Associated Press All-Big 12 First Team (2025, Sr.)
- Lou Groza Award Semifinalist (2025, Sr.)
- Bursworth Trophy Nominee (2025, Sr.)
- Lou Groza Award Week 11 Star of the Week - Nov. 11 (2025, Sr.)
- Big 12 Special Teams Player of the Week - Nov. 10 (2025, Sr.)
- Big 12 Special Teams Player of the Week - Nov. 3 (2025, Sr.)
- Big 12 Special Teams Player of the Week - Oct. 6 (2025, Sr.)

2025 SEASON (SENIOR)

- One of the top stories from Texas Tech's memorable 2025 campaign after winning the place kicker job midway through the season ... was already projected to be the Red Raiders' primary kickoff specialist but also excelled in giving Texas Tech a consistent place kicker ... ultimately appeared in all 14 games, easily the most game action thus far in his career.
- Shared the place-kicking duty for the first half of the season before earning the role for the final five games ... finished 22-of-28 overall on field goals and 41-of-42 on PATs for 107 total points ... made at least one field goal in nine of the Red Raiders' 14 contests and found the uprights multiple times in six of those contests ... actually had four different games against Big 12 opponents with three or more successful field goals, all in wins.
- Did not miss a field goal from inside 40 yards and missed only two attempts from inside 46 yards (44, 45) ... was a perfect 10-of-10 from inside 29 yards, 3-of-3 from 30-to-39 yards, 6-of-10 from 40-to-49 yards and 3-of-5 from 50-plus yards ... combined to make 16-of-19 field goal attempts against Big 12 opponents, which includes the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship.
- As a kickoff specialist, booted 76 of his 103 attempts for touchbacks (73.8 percent) due to strong leg ... ranked among the nation's leaders in total touchbacks ... averaged 64.3 yards per kickoff, totaling 6,625 yards on the season ... reliable with only one of his 103 kickoffs going out of bounds.
- AWARDS AND HONORS: an All-Big 12 first team by the conference coaches and the Associated Press ... became the fourth Red Raider place kicker named to the first team by the conference coaches, joining the likes of Jonathan Garibay (2021), Clayton Hatfield (2018) and Alex Trlica (2007) ... went from not being on a preseason watch list to being named a semifinalist for the prestigious Lou Groza Award ... tabbed the award's Star of the Week late in the season (Nov. 11) for his performance in the regular-season win over BYU ... named the Big 12 Special Teams Player of the Week following that same, marking the third time to win the weekly award on the season ... also recognized on Oct. 6 and Nov. 3 for his performances at Houston and Kansas State ... nominee for the Bursworth Trophy, which recognizes the nation's top walk-on.
- IN THE TEXAS TECH RECORD BOOK: successful season placed him among the school's all-time greats for field goals ... finished second in Texas Tech single-season history with 22 field goals, needing only one more to match Ryan Bustin's school record from 2013 ... only the third Red Raider in program history to connect

on 20 or more field goals in a season, joining Bustin (2013) and Trey Wolff (2019, 2022) ... his 107 total points fell one shy of entering the top 10 among Texas Tech's scoring leaders ... was 14 points shy of matching Bustin's scoring record among kickers ... ability to connect from long distance earned him the distinction of being the first Red Raider in school history to find the uprights from 55 yards or longer multiple times in not only a season but also a career ... nailed a career-high 58 yard field at Utah, which marked the second-longest made attempt in school history ... his 55-yarder at Kansas State marked the fourth-longest in program history ... set the Texas Tech single-game record by connecting on five field goals in the regular-season win over BYU (11/8) ... previously combined with Upton Bellenfant to make five field goals to set to set a new single-game team record at Houston (10/4).

- **IN NCAA RANKINGS:** closed the season tied for 10th in the country for most field goals made (22) and tied for ninth for total attempts (28) ... was also 18th with 107 points scored, 29th for field goals per game (1.57) and 40th for scoring per game (7.6) ... connected on one of the longest field goals of the season as his 58-yarder at Utah ranked tied for third in the FBS ... the Red Raiders, as a team, combined for 28 made field goals on 34 attempts, which ranked second nationally behind only Ole Miss (31-of-35) ... as a kickoff specialist, recorded the third-highest touchback total (76) in the country, trailing only the 93 from Lucas Carneiro of Southern Miss and the 82 from Carter Davis of Miami (Fla.) ... his 103 kickoffs, meanwhile, was the second-highest total in the FBS behind only Carneiro's 105.
- **IN BIG 12 RANKINGS:** finished second in the league for made field goals (22) and fourth in attempts (28) ... trailed only BYU's Will Ferrin for makes as he was 23-of-30 overall ... was seventh in the league with a 78.6 overall field goal percentage ... one of only two conference kickers with multiple successful attempts from 55 yards or longer, joining Iowa State's Kyle Konrardy ... among the league's top kickoff specialists, easily leading the conference with 76 touchbacks, which was 13 more than Utah's Dillon Curtis in second ... was the conference leader for total kickoffs (103) and kickoff yardage (6,625) and ranked second for kickoff average (64.3).
- **SEASON HIGHLIGHTS:** Connected on his first four field goal attempts of the year, beginning with a 31-yard in the season opener against Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) ... followed with a 47-yard field goal the next week in the win over Kent State (9/6) ... did not attempt a field goal in the non-conference finale versus Oregon State (9/13) but booted seven of his eight kickoffs for touchbacks.
- Possibly most-memorable kick of the season came in the Big 12 opener at Utah (9/20) ... silenced the home crowd as well as the FOX crew in the booth with a successful 58-yard kick with plenty of distance just before halftime, prompting play-by-play voice Gus Johnson to say "take that Joel Klatt" in one of the weekend's top television moments ... marked the second-longest field goal in program history, trailing only the 62-yarder from Jonathan Garibay versus Iowa State in 2021 and ended the season tied for the third-longest successful attempt in college football ... field goal gave the Red Raiders a 10-0 lead at the time ... later found the uprights again from 25-yards out early in the fourth quarter for a 13-3 lead.
- Combined with Upton Bellenfant to snap the Texas Tech single-game record with five successful field goals two weeks later in the win at Houston (10/4) ... was 3-for-5 individually with makes from 26, 23 and 26 yards out all in the first half ... two misses came from 44 and 53-yards out and snapped a streak of seven-consecutive makes to start the season.
- Limited to only one successful field goal the next three weeks, which was a successful 40-yard attempt early in the second quarter against Kansas (10/11) ... did not have a field goal attempt the next week at Arizona State (10/18) and missed his only try from 45 yards the next week in the shutout win over Oklahoma State (10/25).
- Proceeded to find the uprights on his next 11 field goals, beginning with a 3-of-3 performance at Kansas State (11/1) ... ended the first half with a successful 55-yard attempt to give the Red Raiders a 12-7 lead at the break to go along with two other successful kicks from 29-yards out each ... became the first Red Raider to connect on multiple field goal attempts from 55 yards or longer in not only a season but a career.
- Set the Texas Tech individual record by making all five of his field goals in the regular-season win over BYU (11/8) ... gave the Red Raiders an early 3-0 lead on a 47-yard attempt before adding field goals from 27, 39, 29 and 34 yards in the victory ... snapped the Texas Tech single-game record of four field goals that had been set 13 times previously, most recently by Jonathan Garibay versus Baylor in 2020 ... tabbed the Big 12 Special Teams Player of the Week for the third time on the season for the performance after already receiving the honor following wins at Houston and Kansas State.
- Connected on nine of his 22 field goals on the season came against BYU after making 4-of-6 attempts in the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship versus the Cougars (12/6) ... made a 23-yard kick early in the second quarter for Texas Tech's first points but proceeded to miss from 48 yards later in the quarter ... bounced back to connect on a 40-yard attempt with only 21 seconds remaining until

halftime, pushing the lead to 13-7 at the time ... was 2-of-3 in the second half with successful tries from 44 and 28 yards in the fourth quarter with the lone miss being from 49-yards out.

- Closed the regular season by making both attempts versus UCF (11/15), connecting from 45-yards out as time expired before halftime and then 53 yards early in the third quarter ... did not have a field goal attempt in the regular-season finale at West Virginia (11/29) and missed on his only attempt of the Capital One Orange Bowl versus Oregon (1/1), sending a try from 54 yards wide right early in the second quarter.

2024 SEASON (JUNIOR)

- Saw an increased role as a junior, appearing in six games overall ... continued to serve as Texas Tech's backup kickoff specialist for a second-consecutive season ... called on for kickoff duty 13 times on the year with eight of those resulting in a touchback.
- Most significant action came at Oklahoma State (11/23) as the primary kickoff specialist in place of an injured Reese Burkhardt ... booted nine kickoffs in the win with five of those being touchbacks ... recorded his first successful PAT a week later in the win over West Virginia (11/30).

2023 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Served as a backup place kicker and punter as a sophomore ... did not see any game action ... scout team member.

2022 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Did not see any game action during freshman season ... scout team member.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Colleyville High School in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex ... two-year varsity kicker at Colleyville Heritage ... also a member of the soccer program throughout his prep career.

PERSONAL

- Stone Harrington ... son of Jon and Linda Harrington ... has one sibling, Cole.
- Enjoys fishing, sports and hiking outside of football.
- Graduated with a bachelor's degree in sports management at Texas Tech in the fall of 2025 ... currently seeking a graduate degree in sports management.

PARTICIPATION	2022	2023	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	0/0	0/0	6/0	14/0	20/0

FGs (Dis.)	F6M-FGA	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60+
2024	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
2025	22-28	0-0	10-10	3-3	6-10	3-5	0-0
Totals	22-28	0-0	10-10	3-3	6-10	3-5	0-0

SCORING	G	TD	Rush	Pass	Retn	PAT	2PAT	FG	Total	Avg/G
2024	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0.0
2025	14	0	0	0	0	41	0	22	107	7.6
Totals	20	0	0	0	0	42	0	22	108	5.4

2025 GAME-BY-GAME FG STATS | (Made), Missed, *Blocked*

Opponent	Att. 1	Att. 2	Att. 3	Att. 4	Att. 5	Totals	Long
Ark.-Pine Bluff	(31)	-	-	-	-	1-of-1	31
Kent State	(47)	-	-	-	-	1-of-1	47
Oregon State	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
at Utah	(58)	(25)	-	-	-	2-of-2	58
at Houston	(26)	(23)	(26)	44	53	3-of-5	26
Kansas	(40)	-	-	-	-	1-of-1	40
at Arizona State	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
Oklahoma State	45	-	-	-	-	0-of-1	-
at Kansas State	(29)	(55)	(29)	-	-	3-of-3	55
BYU	(47)	(27)	(39)	(29)	(34)	5-of-5	47
UCF	(45)	(53)	-	-	-	2-of-2	53
at West Virginia	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
vs. BYU	(23)	48	(40)	(44)	49	4-of-6	44
vs. Oregon	54	-	-	-	-	0-of-1	-
Totals						22-of-28	58



Mikal HARRISON-PILOT

S | 6-0 | 205 | Sr. | 4th Yr. (3rd at Tech) | 1L
Temple, Texas | Temple HS | Houston
Career Games: 18 / Career Starts: 0

2025 SEASON (JUNIOR)

- Returned from injury to appear in all 14 games for the Red Raiders as a junior ... key member of Texas Tech's special teams units as a member of the punt return, kickoff coverage and kick return units.
- Led the team with an 81.6 overall grade on special teams by Pro Football Focus ... grade was boosted by a blocked kick in the season opener versus Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) ... got his hands on UAPB's second punt of the game, sending it backwards seven yards to give the Red Raiders the ball at the plus-21 yard line ... the Red Raiders scored a play later on a Terrance Carter touchdown pass from Behren Morton for an early 14-0 lead.
- Ended the season with 100 snaps on special teams, including 75 on punt returns alone which led the team ... saw action defensively in three games versus Kent State (9/6), BYU (12/6) in the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship and Oregon (1/1) in the Capital One Orange Bowl (1/1).

2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Sat out his entire first season as a Red Raider after suffering a preseason injury ... moved to the defensive back room upon his arrival at Texas Tech.

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Arrived at Texas Tech following one season at Houston ... appeared in only four games during freshman season with the Cougars ... did not record any statistics ... totaled 14 snaps, 12 on special teams (eight punt return, four kick return) and twice lined up in the slot as a wide receiver.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Temple High School in Temple, Texas ... was a four-year letterwinner in football, helping push Temple to the Class 6A Division I playoffs his final two seasons ... played on both sides of the ball throughout his prep career.
- Shared District 12-6A Offensive MVP honors as a senior with now Red Raider teammate Will Hammond of Hutto ... hauled in 48 catches for 978 yards and 14 touchdowns as a senior ... found the end zone five times on the ground that season with two additional touchdowns via his arm ... invited to the U.S. Army All-American Bowl following his senior season, one of the nation's premier events.
- Garnered first team All-District accolades as both a sophomore and junior as well, both at wide receiver ... recognized as a second team All-District 12-6A honoree as a safety as only a freshman.
- Three-sport athlete at Temple, competing in football, baseball and track ... clocked at a 11.02 in the 100-meter dash and 21.63 in the 200 meters as only a sophomore.
- Considered a consensus four-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, 247Sports, ESPN and On3 ... among the top 300 recruits nationally by all four publications, ranking as high as No. 152 by 247Sports ... originally recruited out of high school as a wide receiver, ranking as high as No. 11 at his position by 247Sports and No. 11 by ESPN ... listed among the top recruits in Texas, ranking No. 28 by 247Sports, No. 31 by ESPN and No. 36 by Rivals ... had offers from 48 schools, among five finalists in Cal, Houston, Oklahoma, Texas and TCU ... chose Houston during the U.S. Army All-American Bowl.

PERSONAL

- Mikal Harrison-Pilot ... son to Chris Pilot and Brittany Harrison ... father, Chris, was a member of the Houston football program from 2004-08, playing in 46 career games at linebacker ... his stepmother, Jennifer Pilot, was a cheerleader at Houston from 2001-05.
- Major at Texas Tech is sport management.

PARTICIPATION	2023*	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	4/0	0/0	14/0	18/0

* at Houston

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Michael HENDERSON III

RB | 5-9 | 185 | So. | 2nd Yr.
Dallas, Texas | Wylie East HS
Career Games: 2 / Career Starts: 0

2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in two games during his first season on campus ... switched from defense to the running back room late in preseason camp to provide additional depth ... ultimately appeared in only the first two games of the season against Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) and Kent State (9/6) ... lone carry of the year was versus Kent State.
- Scout team member ... recognized as the offensive scout team player of the week by the coaching staff following Texas Tech's win in the season opener versus UAPB.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Wylie East High School, a 6A program in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex ... a dual threat targeted by the Red Raiders as a defensive back who played running back and safety at the prep level ... helped push Wylie East to a 9-1 regular season as a senior and an appearance in the area round of the Class 6A playoffs, finishing 10-2 overall.
- A back-to-back honoree for the District 9-6A Two-Way Player of the Year his junior and senior seasons ... responsible for two interceptions, 10 pass breakups, two forced fumbles and 24 tackles during senior season on defense ... accounted for 1,150 rushing yards on 126 attempts while posting 1,405 all-purpose yards on the other side of the ball.
- Named the K104 FM Week 8 "Beast of the Week" following a game that included a 63-yard interception return for a touchdown and 91 rushing yards and a pair of scores ... tabbed a Dallas-area week 10 top performer by the Dallas Morning News for a 190-yard, five-touchdown game on the ground versus Garland on Nov. 1.
- Carried 76 times for 614 yards over 11 games as a junior, finishing with 800 all-purpose yards and 13 touchdowns as a running back ... recorded 32 tackles, 2.0 tackles for loss and a pair of interceptions defensively to earn District 9-6A Two-Way Player of the Year honors for the first time.
- Garnered District 9-6A Defensive Newcomer of the Year honors as a sophomore and first team All-District accolades as a sophomore safety ... finished that season with 86 tackles, 6.0 tackles for loss and eight interceptions, including two defensive touchdowns ... also scored twice for the offense that year.
- Three-sport athlete who also participated on the basketball and track teams.
- Offered by the Red Raiders on Christmas Day of 2023 and committed on Jan. 23, 2024 ... earned offers after that time but remained committed to Texas Tech ... a consensus 3-star recruit by the likes of On3, 247 Sports, ESPN and Rivals ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Texas State, UTEP and UTSA.

PERSONAL

- Michael Henderson III ... born in Dallas, Texas ... calls the Hamilton Park suburb home ... son of Michael Henderson Jr. and Tarsha Henderson ... has seven siblings ... goes by Mike.
- A sports management major at Texas Tech.



Holton HENDRIX

OL | 6-4 | 310 | Jr. | 3rd Yr.
Lubbock, Texas | Lubbock Cooper HS
Career Games: 5 / Career Starts: 0

2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Appeared in three games as a sophomore, seeing time on the offensive line late in blowout victories over Oklahoma State (10/25), UCF (11/15) and at West Virginia (11/29) ... scout team member.
- Combined for 49 offensive snaps in those three wins with no pressures allowed, according to Pro Football Focus ... entered at right guard in all three games ... received a 74.8 overall grade by PFF for his performance versus the Cowboys, including a 74.2 grade in run blocking and a 74.9 grade as a pass blocker.

2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in two games along the offensive line against North Texas (9/14) and West Virginia (11/30) as a freshman ... credited with playing in eight snaps in the win over the Mean Green and 13 snaps against the Mountaineers ... graded out at 79.1 as a pass blocker by Pro Football Focus over those two games.
- Scout team member ... began the season sharing the backup spot at left guard with Dylan Shaw despite being only a true freshman.

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Local product out of Lubbock Cooper High School ... one of the most-highly rated offensive linemen in West Texas in recent memory ... member of the Cooper football program that was 30-9 overall over his three seasons ... selected as a team captain his senior season.
- Three-time All-District honoree as a member of the 2-5A first team each of the last two seasons and the 3-5A second team as a sophomore in 2021 ... the Pirates reached the Class 5A Division I area round both his junior and senior seasons after previously advancing to the Division II state semifinals in 2021 ... trip to the fifth round of the playoffs his sophomore year marked the furthest the Pirates had made it in the playoffs in school history ... Cooper fell to the eventual state champion in each of his three seasons.
- Played four different positions up front during his prep career ... the Pirates pounded teams on the ground in 2022, rushing for 2,872 yards with him playing primarily at guard.
- Dual-sport athlete like many other Texas Tech offensive line signees under Joey McGuire as a member of the Cooper basketball program.
- Received his first collegiate offer by the Texas Tech staff ... consensus three-star recruit by the likes of On3, 24/7Sports, ESPN and Rivals ... ranked as high as No. 52 nationally among interior offensive linemen by Rivals and then No. 54 by ESPN ... member of the Texas 100 by Rivals at No. 80 overall ... listed at No. 65 among interior offensive linemen nationally by 24/7Sports ... graduated early to join the Red Raiders in the spring of 2024 ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Baylor, Kansas and Houston.

PERSONAL

- Holton Hendrix ... born in Lubbock, Texas ... son of Kyle and Hollie Hendrix ... has one sibling, Koleman.
- Hobbies include golfing, hunting, fishing, going to the lake and spending time with family and friends.
- A sports management major at Texas Tech.



Ian
HERSHEY

P/K | 5-11 | 185 | Sr. | 5th Yr. (2nd at Tech) | 1L
Pocatello, Idaho | Highland HS | Arizona State | Idaho State
Career Games: 28 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (SENIOR)

- Served as Texas Tech's backup punter and kickoff specialist throughout first season as a Red Raider ... appeared in only four games, including all three non-conference wins and then the regular-season finale at West Virginia (11/29).
- Connected on one extra point in the wins over Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30), Oregon State (9/13) and the Mountaineers ... called on for kickoff duty three times on the year as well, with two resulting in touchbacks ... lone exception was a 61-yard kickoff in the opener versus Pine Bluff ... two touchbacks came in routs over Kent State (9/6) and West Virginia.

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Arrived at Texas Tech after spending two seasons at Big 12 counterpart Arizona State and one year at Idaho State ... experienced as both a place kicker and punter during his collegiate career ... also saw time as a kickoff specialist at both schools.
- Combined to appear in 24 games between the two schools with 13 appearances at Arizona State and 11 at Idaho State ... found the uprights on 14-of-23 field goal attempts over his career and 36-of-39 PAT tries ... averaged 38.9 yards per punt between the two schools on 72 attempts with 13 of those being downed inside the 20 yard line.
- **2024 SEASON (JUNIOR at ARIZONA STATE):** moved into a more prominent role as Arizona State's field goal leader for a program that won the Big 12 title and played in the College Football Playoff ... was 7-for-12 on field goal attempts on the season and 20-of-21 on PAT tries ... three of his five misses on the season came from 40-plus yards ... called on to kickoff 15 times with an average of 54.2 yards per boot and only one attempt that went out of bounds.
- Found the uprights on 2-of-3 attempts in the season opener versus Wyoming (8/31) with successful tries from 24 and 29 yards ... was a perfect 3-for-3 the next week against Mississippi State (9/7) with successful attempts from 27, 46 and 47 yards ... his two makes from 46 and 47 yards marked his two longest successful tries on the season ... closed non-conference play by drilling a 22-yarder against Texas State (9/14) ... unable to do the same on a 51-yard attempt in that same game, his longest try of his Arizona State career.
- Began Big 12 play by making his only attempt against his new school in Texas Tech (9/21) ... the successful 34-yarder put the Sun Devils on the board with 13:10

- remaining in the second quarter and the Red Raiders leading 14-3 as a result ... missed his final three attempts on the season with a 38-yard attempt against Kansas (10/5) and tries from 41 and 48 yards at Cincinnati (10/19).
- **2023 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at ARIZONA STATE):** appeared in four games during first season as a Sun Devil, mainly as a punter ... called on for 16 punts, averaging 39.6 yards an attempt with three of those downed inside the 20 ... averaged 41.7 yards per punt in his Arizona State debut versus Colorado (10/7) with three of his six punts being downed inside the 20 ... recorded his longest punt of the season at 50 yards versus the Buffaloes ... later averaged 38.0 yards per punt on eight attempts at Utah (11/4) and 40.0 yards a punt on two punts versus Arizona (11/25).
- **2022 SEASON (FRESHMAN at IDAHO STATE):** earned both the kicking and punting jobs as only a true freshman with the Bengals ... appeared in 11 games total, finishing 7-of-11 on field goal attempts while averaging 38.7 yards per punt ... downed 10 of his 56 punt attempts inside the 20 and had 22 attempts fair caught ... averaged 57.8 yards on kickoffs with 14 of his 36 attempts resulting in a touchback and only one that went out of bounds.
- As a field goal kicker, was 4-of-5 from inside 39 yards and 3-of-6 from 40-plus yards ... longest field goal of the season was from 50 yards against Montana (10/1) ... also booted his longest punt of the season against Montana, sailing one of his six attempts 67 yards ... found the uprights from 40-plus yards twice against Cal Poly (10/15) with successful tries from 44 and 47 yards.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Highland High School in his hometown of Pocatello, Idaho ... averaged 40.9 yards per punt at the prep level and was 19-for-23 on field goals as a senior with a long of 58 yards.
- Helped push Highland to the Idaho Class 5A state final his senior year with a successful 40-yard field goal as time expired ... previously set the Idaho state record with a 58-yard field goal in a quarterfinal win over Rocky Mountain High School ... delivered the game-winning field goal in that victory as well with a successful 45-yard attempt with 3:25 remaining in regulation.
- Earned a five-star rating by Chris Sailer Kicking and was rated the No. 36 kicking prospect in the country by the outlet out of high school.

PERSONAL

- Ian Hershey... born in San Bernadino, California, to parents Jeremy and Pamela Hershey ... later moved to his hometown of Pocatello, Idaho ... has a sister, Zoe.
- Second-generation specialist at the collegiate level ... his father was a kicker and punter at Cal Berkeley and Idaho State ... earned All-Big Sky Conference honors in 2003 while at Idaho State and still holds multiple top 10 kicking marks.
- A leadership studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2022*	2023*	2024*	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	11/0	4/0	9/0	4/0	24/0

* at Idaho State | * at Arizona State

CAREER STATS

FIELD GOALS	G	Made	Att	Lg	Pct
2022 (ISU)	11	7	11	50	63.6
2023 (ASU)	4	0	0	-	-
2024 (ASU)	9	7	12	47	58.3
2025 (TTU)	4	0	0	-	-
TOTALS	28	14	23	50	60.9

FGs (Dis.)	FGM-FGA	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60+
2022 (ISU)	7-11	0-0	3-3	1-2	2-4	1-2	0-0
2023 (ASU)	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
2024 (ASU)	7-12	0-0	4-4	1-3	2-4	0-1	0-0
2025 (TTU)	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
TOTALS	14-23	0-0	7-7	2-5	4-8	1-3	0-0

SCORING	G	TD	Rush	Pass	Retn	PAT	2PAT	FG	Total
2022 (ISU)	11	0	0	0	0	16	0	7	37
2023 (ASU)	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2024 (ASU)	9	0	0	0	0	20	0	7	41
2025 (TTU)	4	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3
TOTALS	28	0	0	0	0	39	0	14	81

2024 GAME-BY-GAME FG STATS (@ ARIZONA STATE) | (Made), Missed, Blocked

Opponent	Att. 1	Att. 2	Att. 3	Att. 4	Att. 5	Totals	Long
Wyoming	(29)	(24)	38	-	-	2-of-3	29
Mississippi State	(27)	(47)	(46)	-	-	3-of-3	47
at Texas State	51	22	-	-	-	1-of-2	22
at Texas Tech	(34)	-	-	-	-	1-of-1	34
Kansas	38	-	-	-	-	0-of-1	-
Utah	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
at Cincinnati	48	41	-	-	-	0-of-2	-
at Oklahoma State	DNP						
UCF	DNP						
at Kansas State	DNP						
BYU	DNP						
at Arizona	DNP						
vs. Iowa State	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
vs. Texas	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
Totals						7-of-12	47

2022 GAME-BY-GAME FG STATS (@ IDAHO STATE) | (Made), Missed, Blocked

Opponent	Att. 1	Att. 2	Att. 3	Att. 4	Att. 5	Totals	Long
at UNLV	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
at San Diego State	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
Central Arkansas	(23)	43	-	-	-	1-of-2	23
at Northern Colorado	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
Montana	(22)	(50)	-	-	-	2-of-2	50
at Montana State	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
Cal Poly	42	(47)	(44)	-	-	2-of-3	47
Northern Arizona	32	(24)	-	-	-	1-of-2	24
at UC Davis	(35)	-	-	-	-	1-of-1	35
at Weber State	-	-	-	-	-	0-of-0	-
Idaho	51	-	-	-	-	0-of-1	-
Totals						7-of-11	50

PUNTING	G	No.	Yards	Lg	Avg
2022 (USU)	11	56	2,169	67	38.7
2023 (ASU)	4	16	634	50	39.6
2024 (ASU)	9	0	0	-	-
2025 (TTU)	4	0	0	-	-
Totals	28	72	2,803	67	38.9

2022 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ IDAHO STATE)

Opponent	No	Yds	Avg	Long	Blkd	TB	FC	50+	120
at UNLV	7	327	46.7	65	0	0	3	2	1
at San Diego State	11	400	36.7	46	0	1	2	0	1
Central Arkansas	4	142	35.5	45	0	0	0	0	1
at Northern Colo.	2	89	44.5	49	0	0	0	0	0
Montana	6	257	42.8	67	0	0	4	1	3
at Montana State	3	102	34.0	39	0	0	2	0	1
Cal Poly	5	191	38.2	48	0	0	3	0	0
Northern Arizona	3	91	30.3	43	0	0	0	0	1
UC Davis	7	279	39.9	52	0	0	1	1	1
at Weber State	7	260	37.1	43	0	0	6	0	0
Idaho	1	31	31.0	31	0	0	1	0	1
Totals	56	2,169	38.7	67	0	1	22	4	10



Jackson HILDEBRAND

OL | 6-2 | 295 | Jr. | 3rd Yr.
San Antonio, Texas | Alamo Heights HS
Career Games: 2 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Appeared in two games as a sophomore, seeing time on special teams versus Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) and Oklahoma State (10/25) ... part of Texas Tech's field goal protection unit in both wins.
- Scout team member ... recognized as the offensive scout team player of the week following Texas Tech's win at Utah (9/20) in the Big 12 Conference opener.

2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Did not see any game action as a true freshman ... scout team member.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Alamo Heights High School in San Antonio, Texas ... elected a team captain his senior season ... helped push Alamo Heights to the regional semifinal round of the Class 5A Division II playoffs as a senior ... previously part of a Mules program that advanced to the same round his junior year as well.
- Three-year varsity letterwinner on the offensive line ... Alamo Heights was the champion of District 14-5A each of those two seasons ... recognized as an All-District 14-5A first team honoree as both a junior and senior ... credited with 150 knockdowns between those two seasons with 80 as a senior and 70 his junior year.
- Honored as a three-time Academic All-District honoree for his work in the classroom ... competed for the track and field program in the shot put and discus as well as with the lacrosse team.
- Graduated early and joined the Red Raiders in the spring of 2024 ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Air Force, Army, Houston, Fordham, Incarnate Word and San Diego.

PERSONAL

- Jackson Hildebrand ... son of David and Carey Hildebrand ... the oldest of three children ... has a sister, Harty and a brother, Hudson ... father was a three-year starter and all-conference guard for Air Force (1998-2000).
- Enjoys hunting and fishing in his spare time away from football.
- An energy commerce major at Texas Tech.



Adam HILL

LB | 6-1 | 230 | So. | 3rd Yr. | 1L
Albany, Texas | Albany HS
Career Games: 8 / Career Starts: 0

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2026 SEASON (JUNIOR)

- Switched to the inside linebacker room ahead of his junior season as a Red Raider ... position was where the coaching staff projects him long-term after recruiting additional depth to the running back room.

2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Appeared in eight games as a redshirt freshman as a reserve running back ... gained a larger role during preseason camp as injuries forced him to back up both J'Koby Williams and Cameron Dickey at running back.
- Closed the season with 45 carries for 240 yards, the bulk of which came in the first two games of the season ... combined to lead the team early in the year with 205 rushing yards over the first two weekends in wins over Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) and Kent State (9/6) ... received carries in six different games overall.
- Made his collegiate debut by rushing seven times for 78 yards in the season opener versus Pine Bluff ... followed with 16 carries for 127 yards the next week versus Kent State, marking his first career 100-yard outing ... marked the first 100-yard rushing performance by a Red Raider on the season and the only the sixth by a Texas Tech freshman since 2000 ... joined Taurean Henderson (2002 vs. North Carolina State), Justin Stockton (2014 at UTEP), Ta'Zawn Henry (2018 vs. Houston), SaRodrick Thompson (2019 at Baylor) and teammate J'Koby Williams (2024 vs. Arkansas) as freshmen who rushed for 100 yards in a game during that time frame.
- Saw action late in wins during Big 12 play, carrying five times for five yards in the shutout win over Oklahoma State (10/25), six times for 14 yards versus UCF (11/15) and 10 times for 14 yards at West Virginia (11/29) ... lone catch of the season went for one yards in the non-conference finale against Oregon State (9/13).
- Credited with 111 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him a 71.1 overall grade ... rating was helped by a 74.1 grade as a rusher.

2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Did not see any game action as a true freshman ... scout team member.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Albany High School located approximately 35 miles northeast of Abilene, Texas ... played for one of the top Class 2A programs in Texas after helping lead Albany to back-to-back state championships ... two-way player throughout his high school career as both Albany's running back and top linebacker.
- Earned Offensive MVP honors in the state title game as a senior after carrying 24 times for 132 yards and a pair of touchdowns ... added two tackles, including a sack, on the other side of the ball.
- Finished with 2,641 rushing yards and 51 touchdowns his senior year alone, while adding a team-leading 16.5 sacks and more than 90 tackles defensively ... previously totaled 102 rushing yards and a touchdown in Albany's 2022 state

championship victory, while also catching three passes for 71 yards ... notched four tackles as well, including a shared stop behind the line of scrimmage, to push Albany to its first state title since 1961.

- Named the District 6-2A MVP following his junior season ... was also a first team All-State honoree by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA) as a defensive lineman.
- Member of the school's basketball and track and field programs ... was the Class 2A state champion in the 300-meter hurdles both his senior and junior seasons ... set a personal record in the 300-meter hurdles state title race clocking a 38.05 ... won the race in 38.75 seconds his junior season ... took silver as a senior in the state meet in the shot put with a 53'-0.25" toss ... also qualified for the state meet in the 110-meter hurdles his junior and sophomore seasons, finishing as the state runner-up both times ... logged a 14.36-second personal record as a junior.
- Ranked as a three-star prospect by 247Sports ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Louisiana Tech.

PERSONAL

- Adam Hill ... born in Abilene, Texas to parents Kevin and Kimberly Hill ... the youngest of four kids, having two older sisters, Rachel and Alli, and one older brother, Ryan.
- Comes from a football family as his father played collegiately and also coached ... father was inducted into the Howard Payne Hall of Fame in 2008 after a four-year career where he was a two-time all-conference wide receiver (1991-92).
- A sport management major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	0/0	8/0	8/0



A.J. HOLMES JR.
DL | 6-3 | 300 | Sr. | 5th Yr. (2nd at Tech) | 1L
Houston, Texas | Westfield HS | Houston
Career Games: 43 / Career Starts: 24

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CAREER HONORS

- Associated Press All-America Second Team (2025, Sr.)
- On3 All-America Second Team (2025, Sr.)
- PFF All-America Team (2025, Sr.)
- All-Big 12 Third Team (2025, Sr.)
- PFF All-Big 12 Team (2025, Sr.)
- Associated Press All-Big 12 First Team (2025, Sr.)
- Shrine Bowl 1000 (2025, Sr.)

2026 SEASON (FIFTH-YEAR SENIOR)

- Enters his final collegiate season among the highest-rated returning interior defensive linemen in the country ... his 84.8 overall grade as a junior ranks third at his position group, trailing only Colorado's Ezra Christensen (previously at New Mexico State) and Auburn's Cody Sigler (previously at Arkansas State) ... will switch to jersey No. 10 for his final season as a Red Raider.

2025 SEASON (SENIOR)

- Put together an All-America season in his debut as a Red Raider ... appeared in all 14 games, beginning the year as a backup to Skyler Gill-Howard before starting the final eight years following his injury ... ultimately earned national honors as one of the top interior defensive linemen in the country.
- Recorded 38 tackles (19 solo) on the year, including 9.0 for a loss and 4.5 sacks, after notching at least one stop in all 14 games ... had three or more tackles in nine different contests overall ... credited with four pass breakups at the line of scrimmage and seven quarterback hurries as well ... added to Texas Tech's FBS-leading takeaway total with two fumble recoveries and a forced fumble.
- One of five Red Raiders to end the season with 9.0 or more tackles for loss, which was tied with Indiana, Ole Miss and Oklahoma for the most in the FBS ... was joined by outside linebackers David Bailey and Romello Height, fellow defensive lineman Lee Hunter and linebacker Jacob Rodriguez with 9.0 or more tackles for loss ... marked the most Red Raiders hitting that number in a season dating back to 2005 and matched the most by a Big 12 program during that same span.
- Key part of a Texas Tech defense that led the Big 12 for scoring defense (11.8), rushing defense (68.1) and total defense (258.3) and ranked in the top five nationally in all three categories ... the Red Raiders were the FBS leader in rushing defense and takeaway (32) thanks in large part to his efforts.
- Credited with 564 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him an 84.8 overall grade ... among the highest-rated interior defensive linemen in the



▲ **A.J. HOLMES JR. (33)** earned second-team All-America honors from the Associated Press after a standout first season at Texas Tech. He will switch to No. 10 for his final season as one of the nation's premier interior defensive linemen.

- country by the publication, ranking seventh nationally and first in the Big 12 among those with at least 300 snaps ... overall grade was boosted by a 88.1 grade in run defense, which trailed only Jacob Rodriguez (94.8) on the team ... ranked third for his rush defense grade nationally among interior defensive linemen, trailing only Ohio State's Kayden McDonald (91.2) and Georgia's Christen Miller (90.2).
- Able to regularly get in the backfield with 37 total pressures, per PFF ... ranked third on the team for pressures and sixth nationally among interior defensive linemen ... pressure total was second among interior defensive linemen from a power conference ... registered at least one pressure in 12 of 14 games with a season-high eight coming in the win over Kansas.
 - **ALL-AMERICA RECOGNITIONS:** a second team All-America selection by the Associated Press, giving Texas Tech four total Red Raiders who earned All-America recognition ... joined with Lee Hunter to become the first Red Raider interior defensive linemen to earn All-America honors since Gabe Rivera was a unanimous choice in 1982 ... marked the first All-America honors of his career ... recognized by other publications outside the NCAA-recognized groups as a second team All-American by On3 and on the Pro Football All-America Team.
 - **ADDITIONAL AWARDS AND HONORS:** an All-Big 12 third team honoree by the conference coaches ... more highly considered among Associated Press members on its All-Big 12 first team as well as the All-Big 12 team compiled by Pro Football Focus using its grading system ... recognized for his pro potential as part of the Shrine Bowl 1,000 list prior to the season.
 - **SEASON HIGHLIGHTS:** combined for 11 tackles during non-conference play with three stops against both Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) and Oregon (9/13) sandwiched around a season-high five versus Kent State (9/6) ... constantly in the backfield in the Kent State win with 2.0 tackles for loss, a sack, two quarterback hurries and a pass breakup to go along with a fumble recovery ... pass breakup with caught by Skyler Gill-Howard, who returned it 55 yards for a touchdown in one of the most-watched highlights of the college football season ... pick-six play gave the Red Raiders a 38-0 lead midway through the second quarter ... ended Kent State's next possession with a fumble recovery after a miscue in the backfield.
 - Recovered another fumble in the Big 12 opener at Utah (9/20) to go along with three tackles ... landed on a punchout from Jacob Rodriguez late in the first quarter for one of four takeaways by the Red Raiders in the win ... limited to only one tackle the next week in his return to his old school in Houston (10/4).
 - Followed with possibly his best game of the season the next week in the Homecoming win over Kansas (10/11), which featured four tackles, including 2.5 for a loss and 2.0 sacks ... got to Kansas quarterback Jalon Daniels for the first time to start the Jayhawks' second-to-last drive of the first half and added second sack to stop a third-down attempt in the fourth quarter ... in between, combined with Jacob Rodriguez for a tackle for loss to stop the Jayhawks on 3rd-and-1 on their first drive of the second half.
 - Made his first start of the season a week later at Arizona State (10/18) with four tackles, 1.5 tackles for loss and a shared sack to go along with two pass breakups ... got his hand on a Sam Leavitt pass to stop a 3rd-and-3 attempt on the Sun Devils' opening drive ... later combined with Romello Height to sack Leavitt in the red zone early in the third quarter.
 - Started a streak of four-consecutive games with a tackle for loss versus Kansas, continuing it at Arizona State, versus Oklahoma State (10/25) and at Kansas State

(11/1) ... both of his tackles in the shutout win over Oklahoma State went for a loss, combining with David Bailey and then Jayden Cofield on third-down stops ... tackle for loss at Kansas State came on the Wildcats' second play of the game ... added two quarterback hurries on back-to-back plays later in the first quarter in the win over the Wildcats.

• Credited with four tackles in the regular-season win over BYU (11/8) followed by a single stop against both UCF (11/15) and at West Virginia (11/29) to close the regular season ... notched his final sack of the season in the second game against BYU (12/6) in the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship ... stripped BYU quarterback Bear Bachmeier on his sack on the second play of the fourth quarter, which was recovered by Romello Height ... the Red Raiders pushed their lead to 24-7 a few plays later on a Stone Harrington 44-yard field goal ... closed the season with three tackles in the Capital One Orange Bowl versus Oregon (1/1).

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

• Arrived at Texas Tech after spending first three years of collegiate career at the University of Houston ... the Cougars competed in the AAC his first season (2022) before the program joined the Big 12 the following year ... familiar with defensive system at Texas Tech after playing under defensive coordinator Shiel Wood while at Houston in 2024.

• Saw action in 29 total games during Houston career with 16 starts ... called up to start for the Cougars as only a true freshman before becoming a regular up front ... registered 67 tackles (37 solo) for his career, including 13.5 for a loss and 4.5 sacks ... combined to play in 1,256 defensive snaps as a Cougar according to Pro Football Focus, creating 52 total pressures during that span.

• **2024 SEASON (JUNIOR at HOUSTON):** regular on the defensive front as a junior, starting in all 12 games at defensive tackle ... led all Houston defensive linemen with 639 defensive snaps according to Pro Football Focus ... recorded 40 tackles and 8.5 tackles for loss, both career highs for a single season ... had 2.0 sacks as part of that total to go along with seven quarterback hurries ... posted multiple tackles in 10 of 12 games overall to join seven other Cougars with at least 40 tackles on the season.

• Credited with 639 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, the most in his college career ... ranked second on the team with 26 total pressures per PFF with 20 of those coming from quarterback hurries ... ranked third among Big 12 interior defenders and led all 2027 NFL Draft-eligible FBS interior defenders in quarterback hurries according to PFF ... his 26 pressures ranked tied for fifth among all Big 12 interior defensive linemen and led all 2027 NFL Draft-eligible FBS interior defenders.

• Recorded at least a share of a tackle for loss in seven of nine Big 12 contests overall, including a career-high 2.0 at Arizona (11/15) late in the season ... performance was part of four tackles, which also included a solo sack for a seven-yard loss ... posted 1.5 tackles for loss in back-to-back weeks at Cincinnati (9/21) and versus Iowa State (9/28) ... started a stretch of four-consecutive games with at least one tackle for loss after recording one tackle behind the line of scrimmage at both TCU (10/4) and Kansas (10/9) ... performance versus Iowa State included his first sack of the season for a seven-yard loss ... capped the season with a career-high seven tackles versus Baylor (11/23).

• **2023 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at HOUSTON):** became a regular contributor as a sophomore, appearing in all 12 games with three starts ... compiled 21 tackles, 4.5 tackles for loss and 2.5 sacks across 12 games ... was third on the team with his 4.5 tackles for loss ... combined for nine of 21 stops over final three games of the season.

• Led all UH defensive linemen with 461 defensive snaps according to Pro Football Focus ... ranked eighth among all Big 12 interior defensive linemen with 20 quarterback pressures and ranked ninth in the conference with 15 quarterback hurries per PFF ... his 68.9 overall defensive grade by PFF was tops among Big 12 interior defenders in their first of second collegiate seasons.

• Tallied single-game season highs in tackle for loss (2.5) and sacks (1.5) versus Cincinnati (11/11) ... had a single-game season high of four tackles in games versus UTSA (9/2) and Cincinnati (11/11) ... recorded multiple stops in six different contests with two tackles versus TCU (9/16), Sam Houston State (9/23) and Oklahoma State (11/18) as well as three in the regular-season finale at UCF (11/25) ... both tackles versus Sam Houston resulted in losses, including one for a sack.

• **2022 SEASON (FRESHMAN at HOUSTON):** appeared in four regular-season games as well as the Independence Bowl as only a true freshman ... recorded six tackles overall with one shared stop that went for a loss ... credited with 156 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus ... received a 77.4 overall grade by the publication, which led all AAC true freshman interior defensive linemen (minimum 150 snaps) ... earned his first career start late in the season versus Temple (11/12), finishing with three tackles and a forced fumble in the win ... graded out at 83.3 overall by

PFF against the Owls with an 82.4 grade as a pass rusher, which ranked second on the team ... previously made his debut versus USF (10/29) with two stops, including his first career tackle for loss and quarterback hurry ... followed with another tackle the next week at SMU (11/5).

HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Westfield High School in his hometown of Houston ... among the top high school prospects from the Houston area ... was a three-year letterwinner at Westfield, which was also the alma mater of Ed Oliver, who starred at Houston before being selected ninth overall in the 2019 NFL Draft.

• Named the District 14-6A Most Valuable Player as a senior after logging 96 tackles, 54 solo tackles and 26 tackles for loss over 12 games ... added 16 sacks and averaged 8.0 tackles per game that season ... contributed two takeaways by returning an interception for a touchdown and recovering one fumble over the course of the 2021 season.

• Recorded 13 tackles, 6.0 tackles for loss and one sack as a junior in 2020 ... averaged 6.5 tackles per game that season from his spot on the interior defensive line ... as a sophomore, posted 16 tackles (nine solo), including 5.0 tackles for loss and 3.0 sacks to go along with a fumble recovery.

• Consensus three-star prospect coming out of high school by the likes of 247Sports, On3, ESPN and Rivals ... ranked as high as No. 47 by ESPN among interior defensive linemen ... was a top-100 recruit in the state of Texas by both 247Sports and ESPN, ranking No. 87 and No. 89, respectively, by both publications ... chose Houston over similar offers from the likes of TCU, Virginia, Minnesota and Colorado, among others.

PERSONAL

• Anthony Holmes Jr. ... son of Anthony Holmes Sr. and Carlisha Holmes ... prefers to go by A.J., short for Anthony Junior ... named after his father.

• Anthony Holmes Sr. played linebacker and running back at Northwestern State (2003-06) and was a Class 2A All-State honoree in high school.

• Enjoys hunting and fishing in his spare time ... would like to pursue a career as a trainer or a coach after football.

• Earned a bachelor's degree in leadership studies at Texas Tech in the fall of 2025 and is currently enrolled in non-degree-seeking post-baccalaureate studies.

PARTICIPATION	2022*	2023*	2024*	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	5/1	12/3	12/12	14/8	43/24

* at Houston

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Bkld	QBH
2022 (UH)	5	5	1	6	0.5	0	0	0	0	0	1
2023 (UH)	12	13	8	21	4.5	19	0	0	0	0	3
2024 (UH)	12	19	21	40	8.5	28	0	0	0	0	7
2025 (TTU)	14	19	19	38	9.0	53	4	1	2	0	7
Totals	43	56	49	105	22.5	100	4	1	2	0	18

SACKS	G	UA	A	Total	Yds
2022 (UH)	5	0	0	0.0	0
2023 (UH)	12	2	1	2.5	16
2024 (UH)	12	2	0	2.0	14
2025 (TTU)	14	4	1	4.5	42
Totals	43	8	2	9.0	72

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	INT	QBH
Ark-Pine Bluff	2	1	3		0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	1
Kent State	2	3	5		1.0-1	2.0-2	0	1	0	2
Oregon State	1	2	3		1.0-8	1.0-8	0	0	0	1
at Utah	1	2	3		0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1	0	0
at Houston	1	0	1		0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Kansas	2	2	4		2.0-19	2.5-19	0	0	0	0
at Arizona State	*	2	2	4	0.5-4	1.5-10	0	0	0	0
Oklahoma State	*	0	2	2	0.0-0	1.0-1	0	0	0	0
at Kansas State	*	1	0	1	0.0-0	1.0-3	0	0	0	2
BYU	*	1	3	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
UCF	*	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at West Virginia	*	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. BYU	*	2	1	3	1.0-18	1.0-18	1	0	0	1
vs. Oregon	*	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Totals	19	19	38		4.5-42	9.0-53	1	2	0	7

2024 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ HOUSTON)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	INT	QBH
UNLV	*	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Oklahoma	*	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Rice	*	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	3
at Cincinnati	*	2	2	4	0.0-0	1.5-3	0	0	0	0
Iowa State	*	3	3	6	1.0-7	1.5-8	0	0	0	0
at TCU	*	1	0	1	0.0-0	1.0-4	0	0	0	0
at Kansas	*	1	0	1	0.0-0	1.0-1	0	0	0	0
Utah	*	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	1
Kansas State	*	1	3	4	0.0-0	0.5-0	0	0	0	1
at Arizona	*	2	2	4	1.0-7	2.0-10	0	0	0	1
Baylor	*	3	4	7	0.0-0	1.0-2	0	0	0	0
at BYU	*	3	1	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	1
Totals		19	21	40	2.0-14	8.5-28	0	0	0	7

2023 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ HOUSTON)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	INT	QBH
UTSA	*	1	3	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	2
at Rice	*	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
TCU	*	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Sam Houston		2	0	2	1.0-7	2.0-8	0	0	0	1
at Texas Tech		1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
West Virginia		0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Texas		0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Kansas State		1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Baylor		0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati		2	2	4	1.5-9	2.5-11	0	0	0	0
Oklahoma State		1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at UCF		2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Totals		13	8	21	2.5-16	4.5-19	0	0	0	3



Micah HUDSON

WR | 6-0 | 205 | Jr. | 3rd Yr. | 2L
Temple, Texas | Lake Belton HS
Career Games: 22 / Career Starts: 1

2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Served as one of Texas Tech's primary kick returners and a reserve wide receiver during sophomore campaign, appearing in all 14 games on the season.
- Caught eight passes for 112 yards and two touchdowns on the season, while also returning eight kicks for 154 yards ... averaged 14.0 yards per reception as five of his eight catches went for at least 10 yards ... two of those catches went for 20-plus yards as well, both during Big 12 play ... led the team with eight total kick returns, averaging 19.3 yards overall on the season.
- Best performance came in the regular-season finale at West Virginia (11/29) with two catches for 45 yards, both touchdowns ... found the end zone for the first time in his career on a 15-yard pass from Lloyd Jones III with 4:20 remaining in the third quarter ... later broke loose for a 30-yard strike from Jones again early in the fourth quarter.
- Previously caught two passes for 32 yards in the win over Oklahoma State (10/25) earlier in Big 12 play and one catch for four yards in the regular-season win over BYU (11/8) ... started the season with two catches for 20 yards against Arkansas-Pine Bluff and one reception for 11 yards the next week versus Kent State (9/6).
- As a returner, brought back his longest kick of the season in the opener versus Pine Bluff, taking his lone attempt 29 yards ... later combined for two returns for 38 yards at Houston (10/4), including one for 24 yards ... had 20-plus yard returns at Kansas State (11/1) and West Virginia (11/29) as well.
- Credited with 120 offensive snaps on the season by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him a 78.0 overall grade ... publication had him with 11 targets on the season with zero drops ... received his highest single-game grade of the season at West Virginia at 90.6 overall.

2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in eight games with one start during his lone season as a Red Raider ... battled injuries leading into the season, missing all of spring practices before

being cleared during the summer ... held out of the final three games of the regular season due to injury.

- Considered the backup to Caleb Douglas at the "Y" wide receiver position entering the season ... caught eight passes for 123 yards overall with a reception in five different games ... credited with playing in 87 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus with an additional 20 snaps on punt returns.
- Best performance came against North Texas (9/14) with three catches for 43 yards, including a 32-yard grab from Will Hammond that nearly found the end zone ... made his first collegiate reception on a four-yard haul the previous week at Washington State (9/7) ... set up Texas Tech's opening touchdown with a 38-yard strike from Behren Morton at Arizona (10/5) ... the Red Raiders followed with a Tajh Brooks three-yard touchdown scamper on the next play to take an early 7-0 lead ... had two catches for 38 yards versus Baylor (10/19), including a highlight-worthy grab over a defender that resulted in a 26-yard gain.
- **AWARDS AND HONORS:** named to the preseason true freshman All-America team by 247Sports ... preseason candidate for the Shaul Alexander Freshman of the Year Award presented by the Maxwell Football Club.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Lake Belton High School in Temple, Texas ... easily among the top prospects in the country as part of the 2024 class ... led Lake Belton to the Class 5A playoffs each of his last two seasons.
- Two-time District 4-5A Division I MVP after accounting for more than 3,500 receiving yards and 57 receiving touchdowns over four prep seasons ... explosive with the ball in his hands, averaging 19.1 yards per catch over his career ... easily among the top athletes to run through Lake Belton, finishing with 202 catches for 3,868 receiving yards and 37 touchdowns through the air ... also totaled 1,243 rushing yards and an additional 11 touchdowns over his career ... one of the state's top returners on special teams as well.
- On the receiving end of 70 catches for 1,353 yards and 18 touchdowns as a senior ... previously went over the 1,000 yard mark as a junior in 2022, finishing with 1,198 yards and 14 touchdowns through the air on 65 catches ... was a third team All-State honoree by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA).
- Began his career with 22 catches for 466 yards and six touchdowns as a freshman in 2020, which also featured 655 rushing yards and six touchdowns after averaging 16.0 yards per carry ... followed with 45 catches for 851 receiving yards and nine touchdowns as only a sophomore in 2021, placing him on many recruiting radars.
- Named one of 10 finalists for the Mr. Texas Football High School Player of the Year Award presented by Dave Campbell's Texas Football ... one of two Red Raider signees to be named as a finalist, joining quarterback Will Hammond ... selected to participate in the Under Armour Next All-America Game in Orlando.
- Recognized for his work in the classroom as a member of the Academic All-District team.
- Standout for the Lake Belton track and field program, competing in the Class 5A state meet as a junior ... part of a 4x200 meter relay that finished third in the state after a school record time of 1:25.59 ... set the Lake Belton school records in the 100 meters (11.54), the 4x100 meter relay and the 4x200 meter relay.
- Consensus five-star recruit by the likes of Rivals, 247Sports, On3 and ESPN ... highest-rated recruit to sign with Texas Tech during the internet ranking era and among the highest ever for the Red Raiders ... ranked among the top-15 prospects in the country by all four publications ... listed as the sixth-best player in the country by Rivals and at No. 9 overall by On3, No. 12 by ESPN and No. 15 by 247Sports ... dubbed the top player in the state of Texas by Rivals, On3 as well as DCTF, and No. 2 overall by 247Sports and ESPN ... listed as the No. 3 wide receiver nationally by both Rivals and On3 as well as fourth by 247Sports and ESPN.
- **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Alabama, Georgia, LSU, Michigan, Michigan State, Texas A&M, Texas, Notre Dame, Ohio State, Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, Baylor, TCU, Cincinnati, Colorado, Houston, among others ... joined the Texas Tech football program in the spring of 2024.

PERSONAL

- Micah Hudson ... parents are Desmond Royal and Patrice Moody ... has one sibling, Mekhi Royal.
- Enjoys art and graphic media outside of football.
- A general studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	8/1	14/0	22/1

2025 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	LG	Rush	Yds	TD
Ark-Pine Bluff		2	20	0	10.0	19	0	0	0
Kent State		1	11	0	11.0	11	0	0	0
Oregon State		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
at Utah		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
at Houston		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Kansas		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
at Arizona State		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Oklahoma State		2	32	0	16.0	24	0	0	0
at Kansas State		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
BYU		1	4	0	4.0	4	0	0	0
UCF		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
at West Virginia		2	45	2	22.5	30	0	0	0
vs. BYU		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
vs. Arkansas		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Totals		8	112	2	14.0	30	0	0	0

2024 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	LG	Rush	Yds	TD
Abilene Christian		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
at Washington St.	*	1	4	0	4.0	4	0	0	0
North Texas		3	43	0	14.3	32	0	0	0
Arizona State		1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
at Arizona		1	38	0	38.0	38	0	0	0
Baylor		2	38	0	19.0	26	0	0	0
at TCU		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
at Iowa State		DNP							
Colorado		DNP							
at Oklahoma St.		DNP							
West Virginia		DNP							
vs. Arkansas		DNP							
Totals		8	123	0	15.4	38	0	0	0



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DL | 6-4 | 300 | Sr. | 5th Yr. (1st at Tech)
Clarksburg, Md. | Clarksburg HS | Georgetown | Wake Forest
Career Games: 37 / Career Starts: 0

CAREER HONORS

- All-Patriot League First Team (2023, So.)
- Patriot League Rookie of the Week - Oct. 29 (2022, Fr.)

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Arrived at Texas Tech as one of the top interior defensive linemen in the transfer portal for the 2026 cycle ... was the top-rated defensive lineman to enter the transfer portal by On3 and No. 2 by 247Sports ... ranked No. 8 overall among transfer portal entrees by ESPN and was the top defensive lineman ... will have one season of eligibility remaining after previously playing at Wake Forest (2024-25) and Georgetown (2022-23).
- Appeared in 37 games over his collegiate career prior to joining the Red Raiders ahead of the 2026 spring season ... totaled 75 tackles (42 solo) over his career, including 17.5 tackles for loss and 9.0 sacks ... forced two fumbles between the two stops as well as a blocked kick.
- Credited with playing in 1,322 defensive snaps over his career, including 418 while at Wake Forest ... one of the top pass-rushing interior defensive linemen in the country throughout his career with 79 total pressures, per PFF ... began his career as more of an edge rusher early in his career before transitioning to the interior at Wake Forest ... will stay in the middle of Texas Tech's defense as a Red Raider.
- 2025 SEASON (SENIOR at WAKE FOREST): emerged as a top interior defensive lineman, appearing in 12 games during final season as a Demon Deacon ... missed only the Duke's Mayo Bowl win over Mississippi State to close the season ... finished with 21 tackles, 3.5 tackles for loss and 2.0 sacks to go along with three quarterback hurries, a forced fumble, a blocked kick and a pass breakup.
- Recorded at least one stop in 10 of 12 games with a season high of three in four different games against Western Carolina (9/6) as well as N.C. State (9/11) and at both Virginia Tech (10/4) and Oregon State (10/11) ... notched at least a share

of a tackle for loss in each of those four contests ... shared sacks versus Western Carolina and N.C. State and had a solo sack at Oregon State ... performance versus the Beavers also included a forced fumble, which was recovered by the Demon Deacons and ultimately led to a short touchdown drive.

• Shared a tackle for loss in the regular-season finale at Duke (11/29) as well ... had two tackles against the Blue Devils, one of seven games with multiple stops on the year ... added a blocked kick late in the season versus North Carolina (11/15), getting his hand on a 45-yard field goal attempt to close the third quarter.

• Credited with 395 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him a 77.3 overall grade that was boosted by a 78.4 grade as a pass rusher ... ranked tied for 18th nationally with fellow Texas Tech transfer Julien Laventure (Akron) for the highest pass-rushing grade by an interior defensive lineman with at least 300 defensive snaps ... publication had him with 26 pressures, his third season with 20 or more pressures dating back to his time at Georgetown.

• 2024 SEASON (JUNIOR at WAKE FOREST): saw action in four games during his first season with the Demon Deacons ... appearances all came against power-conference foes such as Ole Miss (9/14), Stanford (10/26), Cal (11/8) and Duke (11/30) ... lone tackle on the year was recorded in the regular-season finale versus the Blue Devils.

• 2023 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at GEORGETOWN): developed into a first team All-Patriot League selection during second season with the Hoyas ... staple in the middle, making 28 tackles (18 solo), including 5.5 for a loss and a shared sack, and a fumble recovery over 10 games played.

• Listed with 504 defensive snaps played by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him an 82.3 overall grade ... rating included an 82.3 grade in rush defense and a 76.8 grade as a pass rusher ... credited with 32 pressures by the publication, his most in a season at both Georgetown and Wake Forest.

• Best performance of the season came vis six tackles, including a shared stop behind the line of scrimmage, at Columbia (9/23) ... one of seven games with multiple tackles on the season and one of three with five-plus stops ... posted five tackles against both Lafayette (10/28) and at Holy Cross (11/18) ... had 2.5 tackles for loss against Lafayette alone, including his lone sack of the year ... combined for 4.5 tackles for loss in the final three games of the season alone.

• 2022 SEASON (FRESHMAN at GEORGETOWN): made an impressive debut at the collegiate level as only a true freshman, appearing in all 11 games for the Hoyas ... totaled 25 tackles, 8.5 tackles for loss and 6.5 sacks to go along with a forced fumble ... role increased throughout the year, ultimately leading to 400 defensive snaps played per Pro Football Focus with 21 pressures created.

• Began his career with two tackles, including a solo sack, in his collegiate debut at Marist (9/3) ... sack came on a 4th-and-9 attempt in the red zone, marking the first of five games with at least a share of sack on the season ... later named the Patriot League Rookie of the Week after recording 2.5 sacks against Lafayette (10/29) ... performance capped a strong five-game stretch that included five tackles and a sack versus Columbia (9/24), two stops at Fordham (10/11), three stops against Penn (10/8) and four tackles at Colgate (10/22) ... finished with 2.0 tackles for loss at Colgate, including a solo sack ... later recorded 2.0 tackles for loss again against Bucknell (11/12), which featured his final sack of the year.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Clarksburg High School in his hometown of Clarksburg, Maryland ... a first team All-Montgomery County first team honoree as a defensive lineman his senior year ... was the All-Montgomery County MVP that same season after recording 60 tackles, including 12.0 for a loss and 4.0 sacks ... constant presence in the backfield with 16 quarterback hurries his senior year alone.
- Underrecruited prospect coming out of high school, failing to make any of the main recruiting service rankings ... overlooked in part because Clarksburg's 2020 season - his junior year - was canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic ... selected Georgetown over limited scholarship opportunities due to academic priorities and chance to play immediately.
- Multi-sport athlete at the prep level, competing in lacrosse in addition to football.

PERSONAL

- Mateen Ibirogba ... born and raised in Clarksburg, Maryland ... son of Bashira Mudas and has two siblings, Alicia an India.
- Earned his bachelor's degree in sociology from Wake Forest during the summer of 2026 ... will seek a graduate certificate in essentials of business during his final collegiate season.

PARTICIPATION	2022*	2023*	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	11/0	10/0	4/0	12/0	37/0

* at Georgetown | * at Wake Forest

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Blkd
2022 (GT)	11	16	9	25	8.5	45	0	1	0	0
2023 (GT)	10	18	10	28	5.5	18	0	0	1	0
2024 (WFF)	4	1	0	1	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
2025 (WFF)	12	7	14	21	3.5	10	0	1	0	1
Totals	37	42	33	75	17.5	73	0	2	1	1

SACKS	G	UA	A	Total	Yds
2022 (GT)	11	6	1	6.5	39
2023 (GT)	10	0	1	0.5	4
2024 (WFF)	4	0	0	0.0	0
2025 (WFF)	12	1	2	2.0	8
Totals	37	7	4	9.0	51

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ WAKE FOREST)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	INT	BLK
Kennesaw State	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Western Carolina	1	2	3	0.5-2	1.0-2	0	0	0	0	0
NC State	1	2	3	0.5-3	0.5-3	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia Tech	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Virginia Tech	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0
at Oregon State	2	1	3	1.0-3	1.0-3	1	0	0	0	0
SMU	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Florida State	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Virginia	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
North Carolina	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	1
Delaware	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Duke	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Mississippi St.	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	7	14	21	2.0-8	3.5-10	1	0	0	1	1



Imari
JEHIEL

WR | 6-0 | 190 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Forney, Texas | Forney HS

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HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Forney High School in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex ... played for one of the state's top high school programs ... helped push Forney to a regional semifinal appearance in the Class 6A Division II playoffs his senior season.

• Racked up nearly 2,000 receiving yards during his prep career, ultimately earning All-District 10-6A first team honors as a senior ... total included 931 receiving yards and 10 touchdowns on 49 catches during his senior year alone ... a big-play threat as a returner as well, a trait highlighted by a 95-yard kick return for a touchdown in the area round of the playoffs ... previously recorded five catches for 174 yards and two touchdowns in the bi-district playoff win.

• Garnered second team All-District 10-6A honors as a junior for a Forney program who made the Class 6A playoffs ... recorded 616 receiving yards and seven touchdowns on 26 receptions that season in only eight games ... explosive with the ball in his hands, averaging 23.7 yards per reception.

• A multi-sport athlete, competing also in basketball and track and field for Forney ... excelled on the track like many other Texas Tech signees under Joey McGuire and general manager James Blanchard.

• Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, 247Sports and ESPN ... committed to Texas Tech on June 16, 2025, ahead of his senior season ... joined the Red Raiders as a mid-year enrollee in January 2026 ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Houston, Texas State, Boston College, Kansas State, Utah, SMU, TCU and others.

PERSONAL

• Imari "Taz" Jehiel ... prefers Taz by friends and family ... born in Chicago to parents Michael Jehiel, and Danielle Mitchell before moving to Texas ... has two siblings, Iman Owen and Asia Wilson.

• A pre-business major at Texas Tech.



Ayden
JOHNSON

DL | 6-1 | 340 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Mount Pleasant, Texas | Mount Pleasant HS

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HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Mount Pleasant High School ... helped push Mount Pleasant to the area round of the Class 5A Division II playoffs his senior year, marking the first time in 27 years the school has won a postseason game.

• Three-year varsity letterwinner under head coach Joe Cluley, who has ties to West Texas as the former head coach of Lubbock Estacado High School ... named to the District 7-5A first team his senior season ... recognized as one of the state's top-10 defensive linemen entering his 2025 senior season by TTop Talent.

• Previously totaled 35 tackles, including 5.0 for a loss and a sack as a junior ... limited to only seven games, recording five or more stops in five of those contests, including a season-high seven tackles against Lindale.

• Also a member of the Mount Pleasant track and field program similar to many other Texas Tech signees under Joey McGuire ... standout in the discus and shot put, posting a 134-8 discus throw and a 40-6 shot put rep.

• Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, 247Sports and ESPN ... ranked as high as No. 68 nationally among interior defensive linemen by ESPN ... committed to Texas Tech on November 30, 2024, more than a year prior to joining the Red Raiders as a mid-year enrollee in January 2026 ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Texas State, UTEP, UTSA and others.

PERSONAL

• Ayden Johnson ... friends call him A.J. ... born in Sulfur Springs, Texas, to parents Larry Jo Johnson and Tonya Dashawn Rosborough ... has four siblings, Keegan, Kesha, Kylee and Tyrel.

• A kinesiology major at Texas Tech.



Jojo
JOHNSON

DL | 6-2 | 290 | Sr. | 4th Yr. (1st at Tech)
Salt Lake City, Utah | Olympus HS | Oregon State
Career Games: 19 / Career Starts: 0

99

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

• Arrived at Texas Tech with two years of eligibility remaining after previously starring at Oregon State ... appeared in 19 games with the Beavers, including one against his new school in Texas Tech during the 2025 season ... will be on both sides of the series with the Red Raiders and Beavers set to face each other again during the 2026 campaign.

• Combined for 23 tackles (12 solo) over his two seasons, including 7.5 for a loss and 1.5 sacks ... bulk of that total came during his 2025 sophomore campaign ... added a interception from his spot on the defensive line during his career as well ... came off the bench in all 19 appearances as a Beaver.

• Credited with playing in 336 defensive snaps over his two seasons by Pro Football Focus with an additional 88 snaps via special teams ... combined for 15 pressures during that stretch, according to PFF's metrics.

• **2025 SEASON (JUNIOR at OREGON STATE):** became a regular in the defensive line rotation as a junior, appearing in 11 games overall ... combined for 18 tackles on the season (10 solo), including 6.5 for a loss and 1.5 sacks ... contributed to Oregon State's takeaway total with an interception late in the season.

• Notched multiple tackles in six games overall with a career-high four coming in the season opener versus California (8/30) ... had three tackles against rival Oregon (9/20), including one that went for a three-yard loss ... performance kicked off a stretch of five games that included at least a share of a tackle for loss in four of those contests.

• Lone tackle at Houston (9/26) went for his first career sack, which came on the final play before halftime ... had a share of a sack again the next week at Appalachian State (10/4) as part of two tackles, both of which went for a loss (both assisted) ... followed with two tackles versus Wake Forest (10/11) and then three stops against Lafayette (10/18) ... victory over Lafayette featured a career-high 2.0 tackles for loss, which was matched a few weeks later at Tulsa (11/15) ... added his first career interception late in the third quarter versus Lafayette, returning it six yards into the red zone.

• Credited with 229 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him a 65.0 overall grade ... publication credited him with 14 pressures, which was tied for fourth on the team and ranked second among interior defensive linemen.

- **2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at OREGON STATE):** made his collegiate debut by appearing in eight games as a sophomore with the Beavers ... totaled five tackles (2 solo) on the season with two stops versus Oregon (9/14) and one each at California (10/26), versus Washington State (11/23) and at Boise State (11/29).
- **2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN at OREGON STATE):** did not see any game action during first collegiate season.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Olympus High School in Salt Lake City, Utah ... earned first team All-State honors at the Class 5A level as a senior after recording 68 tackles, including 10.5 for a loss ... season total included 2.0 sacks and a fumble recovery.
- Staple in the backfield during prep career with 30 tackles as a junior and 7.0 tackles for loss and 3.0 sacks ... added a pass breakup up front as well ... athletic defensive lineman who also participated in basketball at Olympus.
- Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, On3, ESPN and 247Sports ... ranked as high as No. 70 by ESPN among interior defensive prospects in the 2023 class ... listed as the No. 4 prospect in the state of Utah by On3 and among the top-11 recruits by both Rivals and ESPN ... chose Oregon State over offers from Nevada, UNLV and Utah State, among others.

PERSONAL

- Jolloh Jollah Johnson ... goes by "Jojo" to family and friends ... born in the country of Guinea in Africa to parents Andrea and David Johnson ... one of 13 siblings with six brothers (Brett, Wade, Spencer, Drew, Jack and Gabe) and six sisters (Jessie, Katie, Kallie, Jill, Emma and Jane).
- Career goal is to go into law enforcement following his playing career ... a sociology major while at Oregon State.

PARTICIPATION	2023*	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	0/0	8/0	11/0	19/0

* at Oregon State

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL-Yds	PBU	FF	FR	Blkd
2023 (OSU)	0	0	0	0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2024 (OSU)	8	2	3	5	1.0-1	0	0	0	0
2025 (OSU)	11	10	8	18	6.5-13	0	0	0	0
Totals	19	12	11	23	7.5-14	0	0	0	0

SACKS	G	UA	A	Total	Yds
2023 (OSU)	0	0	0	0.0	0
2024 (OSU)	8	0	0	0.0	0
2025 (OSU)	11	1	1	1.5	3
Totals	19	1	1	1.5	3

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ OREGON STATE)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	INT	BLK
California	1	3	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Fresno State	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Texas Tech	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
at Oregon	0	3	3	0.0-0	0.5-3	0	0	0	0	0
Houston	1	0	1	1.0-3	1.0-3	0	0	0	0	0
at App State	0	2	2	0.5-0	1.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Wake Forest	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Lafayette	3	0	3	0.0-0	2.0-3	0	0	1	0	0
Washington State	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Sam Houston	DNP									
at Tulsa	2	0	2	0.0-0	2.0-4	0	0	0	0	0
at Washington St	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	10	8	18	1.5-3	6.5-13	0	0	1	0	0



Kenny JOHNSON

WR | 6-1 | 200 | Sr. | 4th Yr. (1st at Tech)
York, Pa. | Dallastown HS | Pittsburgh
Career Games: 38 / Career Starts: 28

CAREER HONORS

- All-ACC honorable mention selection - WR (2025, Jr.)
- ACC Receiver of the Week - Oct. 27 (2025, Jr.)
- Jet Award Watch List (2025, Jr.)
- Paul Hornung Award Watch List (2025, Jr.)
- Jet Award Watch List (2024, So.)
- All-ACC honorable mention selection - KR (2023, Fr.)

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Expected to be an immediate boost to Texas Tech's wide receiver room after back-to-back strong seasons at Pittsburgh ... joined the Red Raiders in January 2026 with two years of eligibility remaining ... among the most-experienced wide receivers to enter the transfer portal after appearing in 38 games as a Panther with 28 starts.
- Caught 109 passes for 1,354 yards and nine touchdowns as a Panther with the vast majority coming over the past two seasons ... key fixture in the Pitt offense with an additional 18 carries for 101 yards over his three seasons ... totaled 2,664 all-purpose yards as a Panther, which led all ACC wide receivers during that span and ranked seventh overall in the league for the 2023-25 seasons.
- Dynamic as a returner as well with both a kick and punt return for a touchdown during his career ... credited with 42 kick returns for 965 yards and a touchdown over three seasons, averaging 25.4 yards a return ... totaled 24 punt returns for 244 yards and a touchdown at a 9.4 average ... joins only Cautlin Lacy (Louisville, South Alabama) and Zachariah Branch (Georgia, USC) as the only three FBS players to each combine for at least 100 receptions and 1,000 receiving yards, while also returning both a punt and kickoff for a touchdown.
- Recorded three 100-yard games during his collegiate career with two coming against ACC foes in Boston College and N.C. State ... previously began his 2024 sophomore campaign with a 100-yard receiving performance versus Kent State ... reached 100 all-purpose yards in eight different games, including five times as a junior in 2025.
- Credited with 1,560 offensive snaps during his Pitt tenure, according to Pro Football Focus ... added an additional 254 snaps on special teams during those three seasons, mainly as a returner but with limited duties on kickoff and punt coverage units ... publication listed him with 175 targets as a Panther with 109 resulting in a reception and only nine drops.
- **2025 SEASON (JUNIOR at PITTSBURGH):** earned honorable mention All-ACC honors for the second time in his career and first time as a wide receiver during final season as a Panther ... started and played in all 13 games to help push Pitt to a bowl game for a second-consecutive season ... preseason candidate for the Jet Award, which honors the top return specialist in college football.
- Put together his best receiving season of the year with 48 catches for 695 yards and five touchdowns, averaging 53.5 receiving yards per game and 14.5 yards per catch, both career bests ... led the team with 1,036 all-purpose yards thanks to 179 yards via punt returns and 159 on kickoff returns ... averaged 12.8 yards per punt return on 14 attempts, with one being returned for a touchdown ... had just five kick returns but averaged 31.8 yards with his longest of the year resulting in 78 yards.
- Recorded two 100-yard receiving outings with both coming during ACC play ... notched career highs with nine catches for 115 yards and a touchdown in Pitt's win over Boston College (10/4) and then later added seven receptions for 115 yards and another score in a victory over N.C. State (10/25) ... entire receiving total against N.C. State came during the first half before leaving with an injury, earning him ACC Receiver of the Week honors.
- Came close to another 100-yard outing late in the year with six catches for 91 yards and a touchdown in upset win over Georgia Tech (11/22) ... gave the Panthers an early 7-0 lead on a 31-yard scoring strike from Mason Heintschel in the win ... was one of seven games with at least 50 receiving yards on the season, all in ACC play ... recorded multiple catches in 10 games overall and caught six of his seven touchdown passes on the year during ACC play.
- Found the end zone on special teams as well with a 66-yard punt return for a touchdown at Syracuse (10/18) ... return came with only two seconds remaining before halftime, giving the Panthers a 17-7 lead ... added four catches for 56 yards in the win.
- Began the season with three punt returns for 64 yards against Duquesne (8/30), including 27-yard and 36-yard returns in the fourth quarter ... previously returned a kickoff 78 yards early in the second quarter, pushing the Panthers into the red

zone for an eventual touchdown drive ... scored a touchdown in the win as well with a 20-yard touchdown catch from Eli Holstein before halftime ... was part of four catches for 47 yards in the win.

- Credited with a career-high 690 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus to go along with 59 snaps on special teams, a career low ... targeted 76 times in the passing game, per PFF, with 48 of those resulting in a reception ... improved in being able to force missed tackles with 280 yards after catch, easily his career best.

• **2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at PITTSBURGH):** became a regular starter at wide receiver for the Panthers as a sophomore, appearing in all 13 games with 12 starts ... put together the first of two 500-yard receiving seasons with the Panthers, all while continuing as Pitt's primary kick returner, while also adding punt returner duties as well.

- Hauled in 46 passes for 537 yards and three touchdowns, averaging 41.3 receiving yards per game and 11.7 yards per catch ... ranked third on the team for both receptions an receiving yards ... returned 22 kicks for 459 yards, averaging 20.9 yards a return ... led the ACC in total kick return yards and ranked 13th nationally in the category ... returned 10 punts as well for 65 yards, giving him 1,087 all-purpose yards on the season, which ranked second on the team.
- Credited with 648 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus and an additional 89 snaps via special teams ... publication listed him with 70 targets, resulting in 46 completions and only two drops ... built a reputation of making tough catches as 15 targets were listed as contested with 12 of them resulting in receptions.
- Opened the season with his first career 100-yard game against Kent State (8/31), recording seven catches for 105 yards and a touchdown ... gave Pitt a 42-24 lead late in the third quarter on a 10-yard touchdown pass from Eli Holstein ... previously set up Pitt's opening touchdown of the game with a 46-yard reception that pushed the Panthers to the 1-yard line on their opening drive ... marked the longest reception of his entire Pitt career.
- Caught two or more passes in 12 of 13 games overall, including each of the final nine contests ... other noteworthy performances included five catches for 79 yards versus West Virginia (9/14), eight catches for 81 yards and a touchdown at SMU (11/2) and five receptions for 63 yards in the regular-season finale at Boston College (11/30) ... touchdown versus SMU came via a 13-yard strike from Nate Yarnell late in the fourth quarter ... other touchdown on the year came via a 10-yard pass from Holstein in a blowout win over Youngstown State (9/21).

• **2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN at PITTSBURGH):** instant contributor as a true freshman, appearing in all 12 games with three starts at wide receiver ... all three starts came against ACC opponents or Notre Dame over a three-game stretch versus Louisville (10/14), Wake Forest (10/21) and the Fighting Irish (10/28) ... emerged as Pitt's primary kick returner during the season, eventually earning honorable mention All-ACC honors as a return specialist.

- Finished with 15 catches for 122 yards and a touchdown through the air to go along with 10 carries for 72 rushing yards ... was a threat in the return game, bringing back 15 kickoffs for 347 yards (23.1 average) and a touchdown ... totaled 541 all-purpose yards overall in an impressive debut for a true freshman.
- Made a splash early in the season with a 100-yard kickoff return for a touchdown midway through the third quarter versus North Carolina (9/23) ... marked the first Pitt kickoff return for a touchdown at the time since late in the 2021 season and the first to go a full 100 yards since Quadree Henderson against Miami in 2016 ... previously returned three kicks for 69 yards a week earlier at West Virginia (9/16).
- Found the end zone again, this time through the air, in his second career start at Wake Forest ... scored Pitt's opening touchdown on a seven-yard touchdown pass from Christian Veilleux midway through the first quarter ... his four catches in the loss were a season high that would be matched again in the regular-season finale at Duke (11/25) ... finished with 31 receiving yards versus the Demon Deacons.
- Set a season high for receiving yards a week earlier with two catches for 49 yards in a win over No. 14 Louisville (10/14) ... performance included a 34-yard reception - his longest of the season - that set up a Pitt touchdown drive late in the second quarter ... ended his true freshman season with three kickoff returns for 35 yards and four receptions for 20 yards against Duke.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Dallastown High School near his hometown of York, Penn. ... transferred to Dallastown prior to his junior season after previously attending York Suburban High School ... regarded as one of the top wide receiver prospects in the state of Pennsylvania for the 2023 class.
- Compiled more than 1,000 all-purpose yards as a senior with 800 coming through the air and 250 as a rusher ... tabbed a Class 6A All-State honoree by the Pennsylvania Football Writers Association ... also a first team All-York-Adams Interscholastic Athletic Association selection as both a wide receiver and return specialist.
- Previously recorded 633 yards and nine touchdowns in only six games as a

sophomore in 2021 ... multi-sport athlete during prep career, also competing in basketball, wrestling and track and field.

- Named the MVP of the Big 33 Football Classic after catching nine passes for 161 yards, including the game-winning touchdown in a 31-27 win over Maryland ... touchdown came via a 31-yard scoring strike with 1:15 remaining in the game.
- Consensus three-star prospect coming out of high school, ranking as high as No. 90 among wide receivers nationally by Rivals ... among the top-20 recruits in the state of Pennsylvania by not only Rivals but On3, ESPN and 247Sports ... chose to attend Pitt over offers from Penn State, Cincinnati, Boston College, Louisville, Minnesota, Virginia Tech, Rutgers and West Virginia, among others.

PERSONAL

- Kenny Johnson ... son of Terry and Cheryl Johnson ... has one sister.
- A general studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2023*	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	12/3	13/12	13/13	38/28

* at Pittsburgh

CAREER STATS

RECEIVING	G	Rec	Yds	TD	Lg	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2023 (PITT)	12	15	122	1	34	1.3	8.1	10.2
2024 (PITT)	13	46	537	3	46	3.5	11.7	41.3
2025 (PITT)	13	48	695	5	42	3.7	14.5	53.5
Totals	38	109	1,354	9	46	2.9	12.4	35.6

2025 GAME-BY-GAME (@ PITTSBURGH)

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	LG	Rush	Yds	TD
Duquesne	*	4	47	1	11.8	20	0	0	0
Central Michigan	*	2	58	0	29.0	40	0	0	0
at West Virginia	*	3	21	0	7.0	7	0	0	0
Louisville	*	3	51	0	17.0	34	0	0	0
Boston College	*	9	115	1	12.8	21	0	0	0
at Florida State	*	1	42	0	42.0	42	0	0	0
at Syracuse	*	4	56	0	14.0	24	1	9	0
NC State	*	7	112	1	16.0	26	0	0	0
at Stanford	*	4	71	1	17.8	25	0	0	0
Notre Dame	*	4	27	0	6.8	17	0	0	0
at Georgia Tech	*	6	91	1	15.2	31	0	0	0
Miami (FL)	*	1	4	0	4.0	4	0	0	0
vs. East Carolina	*	0	0	0	0.0	0	1	-6	0
Totals		48	695	5	14.5	42	2	3	0

2024 GAME-BY-GAME (@ PITTSBURGH)

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	LG	Rush	Yds	TD
Kent State	*	7	105	1	15.0	46	0	0	0
at Cincinnati	*	0	0	0	0.0	0	1	4	0
West Virginia	*	5	79	0	15.8	42	1	-8	0
Youngstown State	*	3	18	1	6.0	10	0	0	0
at North Carolina	*	2	22	0	11.0	13	0	0	0
California	*	4	34	0	8.5	14	0	0	0
Syracuse	*	3	19	0	6.3	8	0	0	0
at SMU	*	8	81	1	10.1	24	0	0	0
Virginia	*	3	33	0	11.0	17	0	0	0
Clemson		2	41	0	20.5	27	1	2	0
at Louisville	*	2	25	0	12.5	17	0	0	0
at Boston College	*	5	63	0	12.6	18	0	0	0
vs. Toledo	*	2	17	0	8.5	9	3	28	0
Totals		46	537	3	11.7	46	6	26	0

2023 GAME-BY-GAME (@ PITTSBURGH)

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	LG	Rush	Yds	TD
Wofford		2	17	0	8.5	9	0	0	0
Cincinnati		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
at West Virginia		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
North Carolina		0	0	0	0.0	0	3	20	0
at Virginia Tech		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Louisville	*	2	49	0	24.5	34	2	11	0
at Wake Forest	*	4	31	1	7.8	11	0	0	0
at Notre Dame	*	1	-2	0	-2.0	0	2	12	0
Florida State		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
vs. Syracuse		1	1	0	1.0	1	2	15	0
Boston College		1	6	0	6.0	6	1	14	0
at Duke		4	20	0	5.0	8	0	0	0
Totals		15	122	1	8.1	34	10	72	0



Krush
JOHNSON

DL | 6-2 | 300 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Amarillo, Texas | Tascosa HS

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Tascosa High School in Amarillo, Texas ... one of the top defensive linemen in West Texas during prep career ... helped lead Tascosa to at least the area round of the Class 5A playoffs all three varsity seasons ... pushed the Rebels to the regional quarterfinals as a junior.
- Garnered first team All-District 2-5A honors following both his junior and senior seasons ... collected 40 tackles as a senior despite taking on constant double teams after previously recording 103 stops as a junior ... of that total, 11.0 tackles went for a loss with 6.0 for sacks to go along with nine additional pressures, three pass breakups and a forced fumble.
- Garnered Texas Panhandle Super Team honors by the Amarillo Globe-News following both his junior and senior seasons ... also picked up Amarillo Globe-News Midseason MVP honors in 2024 ... was a finalist for the Whataburger Super Team presented by Dave Campbell's Texas Football as a senior.
- Two-sport athlete at Tascosa, also competing in track and field ... committed to Texas Tech on Jan. 21, 2025, prior to his senior year ... mid-year enrollee who arrived on campus in January 2026 after graduating from Tascosa a semester early.
- Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, ESPN and 247Sports ... ranked as high as No. 67 among defensive linemen nationally by Rivals and at No. 94 among prospects from the state of Texas ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Baylor, Texas State, UTEP and Sacramento State.

PERSONAL

- Krush Johnson ... born in Amarillo, Texas, to parents Arthur Johnson and Ronnie Rockanne Dustman ... has four siblings, Danika, Jetta, Yoyo and Serah.
- Interests outside of football are pickleball and fishing.
- A kinesiology major at Texas Tech.



Bryson
JONES

WR | 6-3 | 195 | So. | 2nd Yr. | 1L
Frisco, Texas | Lone Star HS
Career Games: 5 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in five games as a true freshman as a backup wide receiver ... ended the season splitting time as the primary backup to Caleb Douglas at the "Z" wide receiver position ... scout team member.
- Caught five passes for 76 yards and two touchdowns on the season ... had a touchdown grab in each of his first two collegiate games with one catch for 13 yards against Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) and then two receptions for 50 yards versus Kent State ... later caught two passes for 13 yards during Big 12 play against UCF (11/15).
- Provided Texas Tech's final touchdown in its rout of UAPB in the season opener, hauling in a 13-yard strike from Mitch Griffis with 3:20 remaining ... one of two true freshmen to find the end zone in the opener, joining fellow wide receiver Leyton Stone.

- Other touchdown came via a 38-yard pass from Will Hammond the next week versus Kent State ... touchdown gave the Red Raiders a commanding 55-0 lead midway through the third quarter ... also brought down a 12-yard pass the play before, converting a third down before finding the end zone seconds later.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Frisco Lone Star High School in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex ... big play threat as one of the top wide receiver prospects in the state of Texas ... helped lead Lone Star to a 12-2 record and an appearance in the Class 5A Division I state quarterfinals as a senior ... previously helped push the Rangers to the area round of the playoffs his junior season.
- Tabbed to the All-District 5-5A first team as a senior ... previously earned first team All-District 6-5A honors as a junior after catching 64 passes for 1,092 yards and 15 touchdowns ... averaged an impressive 17.1 yards per catch en route to earning honorable mention All-State accolades by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA).
- Member of the Lone Star track and field program in addition to football ... advanced to the Class 5A state meet as a senior as a member of the 4x200-meter relay ... clocked at 10.79 in the 100-meters his senior year, a personal best.
- Listed as a four-star prospect by both ESPN and Rivals and a three-star recruit by On3 and 247Sports ... consensus top-100 player in the state of Texas by all four publications ... ranked as high as No. 53 nationally among wide receivers by ESPN ... considered the No. 52 prospect in Texas by ESPN and at No. 56 by 247Sports, No. 58 by Rivals and at No. 64 by On3 ... named one of the top 100 recruits in the DFW area for the 2025 class by the Dallas Morning News.
- **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Arkansas, Baylor, Boston College, Cal, Houston, Illinois, Kansas, Michigan State, Oklahoma State, Ole Miss, Penn State, Pittsburgh, SMU, TCU, Tennessee, Texas A&M, Utah and Wisconsin, among others.

PERSONAL

- Bryson Alexander Jones ... son of Victor Jones and Anglea Tillis ... one of three siblings with two sisters in Kennedy and Asia.
- Father works for Frisco ISD and once coached Texas Tech wide receivers coach Justin "Juice" Johnson in high school.
- A sport management major at Texas Tech.



Jalen
JONES

WR | 5-8 | 180 | Sr. | 4th Yr. (1st at Tech)
Birmingham, Ala. | Ramsay HS | Alabama State
Career Games: 24 / Career Starts: 12

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CAREER HONORS

- AFCA FCS All-America Second Team (2025, So.)
- Associated Press All-America Second Team (2025, So.)
- Phil Steele FCS All-America Third Team (2025, So.)
- All-SWAC First Team (2025, So.)

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- One of the top wide receivers at the FCS level before transferring to Texas Tech ... joined the Red Raiders with two years of eligibility remaining after previously spending three seasons at Alabama State ... appeared in 24 games over his three seasons with 16 starts at wide receiver.
- Combined to catch 72 passes for 1,392 yards and 11 touchdowns as a Hornet with the vast majority coming during his 2025 junior season ... averaged an impressive 19.3 yards per catch over his career as a big-play threat due to his speed ... recorded five 100-yard receiving games during his career, all during the 2025 season ... carried three times for 46 yards as well and added five kick returns for 69 yards over that time.
- **2025 SEASON (JUNIOR AT ALABAMA STATE):** helped push the Hornets to their first 10-win season since 2004 as one of the top wide receivers at the FCS level ... earned first team All-SWAC honors and second team AFCA All-America accolades by the AFCA and Associated Press accolades as part of an Alabama State program that ranked second nationally in scoring (42.4 points per game) and fourth for total offense (460.5 yards per game).
- Hauled in 51 passes on the season for 1,167 yards and nine touchdowns as one of the top receivers at the FCS level ... ranked third in the FCS for receiving yards per game (97.3), fourth for total receiving yards (1,167) and tied for 17th for receiving touchdowns (9) ... led the SWAC in all three categories en route to becoming only the fifth receiver in ASU history to hit the 1,000-yard mark ... made multiple catches in all 12 games and had at least four receptions in eight contests overall.

• Big play threat that led the FCS level by averaging 22.9 yards per catch ... had at least one catch of 20 or more yards in all 12 games on the season ... roughly 45 percent of his receptions (23 to be exact) went for at least 20 yards, while 61 percent (31 catches) were for 10 or more yards ... made positive ground on nearly every reception with only two catches that resulted in negative yardage.

• Among the highest-graded wide receivers at the FCS level by Pro Football Focus ... received an 89.6 overall grade that ranked sixth among wide receivers with at least 40 targets on the season ... had an 89.2 grade as a route runner, which was tied for eighth overall ... publication listed him with 72 targets and an impressive 684 yards after catch, which was the fourth-highest total in the FCS.

• Eclipsed the 100-yard mark in five games overall, including in the lone FBS matchup versus UAB (8/28) to start the season ... caught six passes for 174 yards and a touchdown against the Blazers, finding the end zone on a 69-yard scoring strike that pulled Alabama State to a 45-42 deficit late in the fourth quarter ... was the first of nine catches on the year for 40-plus yards.

• Recorded first of two multi-touchdown games two weeks later against Miles (9/13) ... caught four passes for 118 yards and a pair of scores in the win and followed with two catches for 43 yards - both touchdowns - two weeks later at Florida A&M (9/27) ... reached the 100-yard mark again against in-state rival Alabama A&M (10/25), finishing with a career-high seven grabs for 156 yards and a touchdown.

• Closed the season with two 100-yard outings during the month of November ... needed only three catches to finish with 148 yards versus Texas Southern (11/8), which featured a career-best 87 touchdown to start the game ... ended the season with six receptions for a career-high 189 yards in the Turkey Day Classic win over Tuskegee (12/27).

• **2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at ALABAMA STATE):** joined the wide receiver rotation as a sophomore, appearing in 10 games overall with five starts ... caught 19 passes on the year for 218 yards and two touchdowns, averaging 11.5 yards per catch ... also rushed twice for 36 yards and had one kick return for 18 yards.

• Found the end zone for the first time in his collegiate career with an eight-yard touchdown reception versus Miles (9/7) ... other touchdown reception on the year came in the season finale versus Tuskegee as part of four catches for 87 yards ... carried twice for 36 yards in the win over Tuskegee as well ... other top performances included two catches for 63 yards earlier in the season at Grambling (11/9).

• **2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN at ALABAMA STATE):** inserted into two games as a freshman against Miles (9/9) and Bethune-Cookman (10/7) ... made lone two catches of the season versus Miles, resulting for seven yards ... utilized as a kick returner as well, combining for four returns for 51 yards on the season ... had one return for 20 yards against Miles before bringing back three attempts for 31 yards versus Bethune-Cookman.

HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Ramsay High School in his hometown of Birmingham, Ala. ... helped push Ramsay to the Alabama Class 5A state title his senior year with a 41-20 win over Charles Henderson.

• Caught 71 passes for 1,254 yards and 15 touchdowns as a senior to earn second team All-State honors ... led the region with his 15 touchdown receptions to collect Class 5A All-Region first team accolades.

• Multi-sport athlete, earning first team All-State honors and first team All-Region accolades in basketball as a senior ... also successful in the classroom as an A/B honor roll student.

PERSONAL

• Jalen Jones... born and raised in Birmingham, Alabama, to parents Melvin and Tammie Jones ... has one brother, Jamir Jones.

• An applied personal finance major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2023*	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	2/0	10/0	12/12	24/12

* at Alabama State

CAREER STATS

RECEIVING	G	Rec	Yds	TD	Lg	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2023 (ASUJ)	2	2	7	0	10	1.0	3.5	3.5
2024 (ASUJ)	10	19	216	2	45	1.9	11.5	21.6
2025 (ASUJ)	12	51	1,167	9	87	4.3	22.9	97.3
Totals	24	72	1,392	11	87	3.0	19.3	58.0

2025 GAME-BY-GAME (@ ALABAMA STATE)

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	LG	Rush	Yds	TD
at UAB	*	6	174	1	29.0	69	0	0	0
at Southern U.	*	3	32	0	10.7	24	0	0	0
Miles	*	4	118	2	29.5	61	0	0	0
at Florida A&M	*	2	43	2	21.5	39	0	0	0
Bethune-Cookman	*	4	63	1	15.8	30	0	0	0
at Jackson State	*	6	72	1	12.0	33	0	0	0
vs. Alabama A&M	*	7	156	1	22.3	59	0	0	0
at Prairie View	*	2	54	0	27.0	45	0	0	0
Texas Southern	*	3	148	1	49.3	87	1	10	0
vs. Mississippi Valley	*	4	48	0	12.0	22	0	0	0
Ark.-Pine Bluff	*	4	70	0	17.5	39	0	0	0
Tuskegee	*	6	189	0	31.5	69	0	0	0
Totals		51	1,167	9	22.9	89	1	10	0

2024 GAME-BY-GAME (@ ALABAMA STATE)

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	LG	Rush	Yds	TD
N.C. Central		3	8	0	2.7	3	0	0	0
Miles		1	8	1	8.0	8	0	0	0
at Samford		2	9	0	4.5	6	0	0	0
at Bethune-Cookman		1	12	0	12.0	12	0	0	0
Florida A&M		2	9	0	4.5	8	0	0	0
Mississippi Valley		DNP							
vs. Alabama A&M		DNP							
vs. Alcorn		3	12	0	4.0	13	0	0	0
at Grambling		2	63	0	31.5	36	0	0	0
Jackson State		1	10	0	10.0	10	0	0	0
Prairie View		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Tuskegee		4	87	1	21.8	45	2	36	0
Totals		19	218	2	11.5	45	2	36	0



Lloyd JONES III

QB | 6-4 | 215 | So. | 2nd Yr.
Hitchcock, Texas | Hitchcock HS
Career Games: 1 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

• Limited to only one game as a freshman after spending the first half of the season recovering from a knee injury suffered in high school ... listed as the third-team quarterback by end of the season ... scout team member.

• Shined in his collegiate debut, which came in the regular-season finale at West Virginia (11/29) ... completed 4-of-5 passes for 74 yards and two touchdowns versus the Mountaineers, while also rushing three times for 15 yards ... found Micah Hudson on both touchdown passes, connecting with the wideout on 15 and 30-yard scoring strikes in the second half.

HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Hitchcock High School, a coastal 3A program located just outside Galveston in the greater Houston area ... guided by head coach Craig Smith while his father Lloyd Jones Jr. coached on the Hitchcock football staff as well ... led team to an 8-1 regular season record and a 4-0 first-place finish in district play as a senior, advancing to the regional round of the playoffs after a 42-3 win in bi-district play and a 56-14 win in the area round ... Hitchcock's impressive 10-game winning streak came to a halt in the regional round.

• Finished senior season with 1,682 passing yards and 24 touchdowns to go along with 283 rushing yards and seven scores on the ground ... illustrious tenure at Hitchcock ended with 8,164 career passing yards and 107 passing touchdowns to go along with 1,685 career rushing yards and 29 rushing touchdowns over four seasons ... became the 79th Texas high school football player to throw 100 touchdown passes in a career ... closed his prep career as the Hitchcock High School all-time leader for touchdowns.

• Tabbed the District 12-3A Co-MVP as a senior and was an honorable mention All-State selection by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA) ... earned All-District 12-3A Co-Offensive MVP honors and All-State honorable mention accolades as a junior after compiling just under 3,400 total yards and 48 touchdowns ... named the 2023 Galveston County football player of the year after his junior season by the Galveston Daily News ... was a first team All-Galveston County selection following his senior year.

- Registered 2,735 passing yards and 36 touchdowns and 678 rushing yards with 13 scores in prolific junior season ... named the SBLive Texas High School Athlete of the Week for Sept. 26-Oct. 2 after a monster sophomore year performance throwing for 312 yards, five touchdowns and no interceptions on 12-of-20 passing to help lead Hitchcock to a 35-30 road win ... accounted for more than 100 career touchdowns going into his senior season.
- Recorded 911 passing yards, 11 passing touchdowns, 195 rushing yards and one rushing touchdown as a freshman ... followed with 2,836 passing yards, 36 passing touchdowns, 457 rushing yards and eight rushing touchdowns as a sophomore.
- Excelled in both football and basketball at the prep level ... helped lead Hitchcock to back-to-back state titles in basketball during his sophomore and junior seasons ... had 14 points and 21 rebounds in the 2023 state championship game, earning All-State Tournament team honors in the process ... was an area champion in the 4x100 meter relay as a junior in 2024.
- Rated a four-star athlete by both On3 and Rivals and a three-star prospect by 247Sports and ESPN ... tabbed a four-star by the 247Sports composite rankings ... ranked by Rivals as the No. 11 dual-threat quarterback in the nation for the class of 2025 ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Colorado State, North Texas, Texas State and UTSA.

PERSONAL

- Lloyd Wayne Jones III ... son of Lloyd Wayne Jones Jr. and Meredith Renee Jones ... has seven siblings - Katie, Billy, Michael, Brett, Vincent, Pacey and Asha ... goes by the family nickname of "Chubby," which three generations of Jones men have gone by ... born in Texas City, Texas, outside of Houston ... calls Hitchcock, Texas home.
- Third-generation collegiate student-athlete in his family ... grandfather, Fred Jr., was a middle linebacker at UT-Arlington from 1968-70 and later was the head football coach at the high school level with stops at Hitchcock, TK Gorman, Bridge City and Brazosport ... father was a defensive back at LSU in the mid-1990s and later coached his son while on staff at Hitchcock ... brothers, Michael Parker and Pacey Jones, previously played at Southwestern and the Air Force Academy, respectively.
- A sport management major at Texas Tech.



**Brenden
JORDAN**

S | 6-0 | 205 | Sr. | 4th Yr. | 3L

Mansfield, Texas | Mansfield HS

Career Games: 40 | Career Starts: 21

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2025 SEASON (JUNIOR)

- Put together possibly his best season thus far during third season as a Red Raider ... started in all 14 games for the Red Raiders after moving from the "star" position to the boundary safety spot ... was one of eight Red Raiders on the defensive side of the ball to start in all 14 games and one of 15 players on the team to do so.
- Recorded 59 tackles from the backend of the secondary (38 solo), which was three more than his career total (56) entering the year ... notched 2.0 tackles for loss - both in Texas Tech's final two games of the season - to go along with a pass breakup, an interception and a forced fumble ... both of his takeaways came against Big 12 opponents.
- Made at least one tackle in 13 of 14 games overall with three or more stops in 11 different contests, including the final nine games to end the year ... shared the team high for tackles in one game, which came in the regular-season finale at West Virginia ... targeted 34 times in the passing game per Pro Football Focus with 21 leading to receptions, a 61.8 percentage ... ranked fifth on the team for reception percentage among players targeted at least 10 times and led the safety room.
- Credited with 794 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which ranked third on the team behind only fellow defensive backs Cole Wisniewski (808) and Brice Pollock (797) ... easily marked the most defensive snaps in a season in his career thus far ... received his highest grades by the publication over his career ... awarded an 82.3 overall grade that was boosted by a 81.4 grade in rush defense, an 81.0 grade in coverage and a 78.8 grade as a tackler.
- Had only one tackle in each of the first two games of the season, blowout wins versus Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) and Kent State (9/6) ... closed non-conference play with five stops in the win over Oregon State (9/13).
- Snapped his career high at the time in the Big 12 opener at Utah (9/20) with seven tackles ... later broke that mark with nine stops in the Capital One Orange Bowl versus Oregon (11/1) ... would have three or more tackles in every remaining Big 12 contest outside the win at Houston (10/4) ... did not have a tackle versus the Cougars but managed to record his first career interception, which stopped a

Houston drive late in the third quarter ... was one of three takeaways for the Red Raiders in the road win.

- Followed with six tackles each of the next two games versus Kansas (10/11) and at Arizona State (10/18) ... halted Kansas' second drive of the game, punching out a fumble on the first play that was recovered by David Bailey ... his first career forced fumble gave the Red Raiders the ball at the Kansas 36-yard line, setting up an eventual touchdown pass to Terrance Carter Jr. for an early 15-0 lead.
- Closed the month of October with three tackles in the shutout win over Oklahoma State (10/25) ... matched that total the next week at Kansas State (11/1) before posting five tackles against both BYU (11/8) and UCF (11/15) to close the home slate ... regular-season win over BYU also featured his lone pass breakup of the season ... closed the regular season with four tackles in another shutout win, this time at West Virginia (11/29).
- Made a key tackle for loss in the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship versus BYU (12/6), stopping a 3rd-and-2 attempt for a two-yard loss ... the Cougars turned the ball over on the following play, giving the Red Raiders the ball back for an eventual Stone Harrington field goal to take a 31-7 lead with 7:03 remaining in the fourth quarter.
- Got in the backfield again versus Oregon, stopping a run play in the red zone for a one-yard loss ... was part of a career-high nine tackles versus the Ducks, which led the secondary and finished tied for third on the team.

2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Continued to be a key contributor for the Red Raiders in the secondary as a sophomore ... appeared in all 13 games while making two starts at Texas Tech's "star" position ... two starts came late in the season at Iowa State and in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl versus Arkansas.
- Ranked sixth on the team with 36 tackles (18 solo) to go along with three pass breakups in the secondary ... tackle total included 2.5 for a loss and one shared sack ... recorded at least one tackle in all 13 games and had multiple stops in nine different contests ... bulk of tackles - 28 to be exact - came during Big 12 play with multiple stops in seven of nine games overall.
- Contributed to two takeaways with a pair of fumble recoveries on the year, which came during Big 12 play in wins at Arizona and versus West Virginia ... marked the first time to directly impact the game via a takeaway this early in his career ... added three pass breakups in the secondary as well.
- Targeted 33 times in the passing game by opponents per Pro Football Focus with 19 of those resulting in completions ... his 57.7 reception percentage against him marked the lowest on the team among Red Raiders who were targeted at least 10 times ... publication credited him with appearing in 381 defensive snaps, which was ninth overall on the team ... added an additional 100 snaps on special teams, primarily as part of the kickoff return and punt coverage units.
- Combined for five tackles over the three non-conference contests with three versus Abilene Christian (8/31) and one at both Washington State (9/7) and versus North Texas (9/14).
- Opened Big 12 play with four tackles and a pass breakup in the win over Arizona State (9/21) followed by a season-high five stops against Cincinnati (9/28) ... recovered his first career fumble a week later at Arizona (10/5) as part of two tackles ... fumble recovery gave the Red Raiders the ball back at the Arizona 25-yard line, setting up a Tahj Brooks 32-yard touchdown run with 1:53 remaining in regulation to take a 28-19 lead.
- Returned from open date with three tackles against Baylor (10/19) and four at TCU (10/26), including 1.0 tackles for loss and a shared sack ... got to TCU quarterback Josh Hoover at the same time as Charles Esters III to record a seven-yard sack midway through the first quarter to force a punt after disrupting a 3rd-and-9 play ... marked the first sack of his career to that point ... later combined with Chapman Lewis to halt a TCU fourth-down attempt by blowing up rushing attempt for a two-yard loss midway through the second quarter.
- Began the month of November with three tackles in the win at Iowa State (11/2) followed by one stop against both Colorado (11/9) and Oklahoma State (11/23) ... lone tackle versus the Buffaloes went for a three-yard loss late in the third quarter.
- Closed the regular season by matching his season high with five tackles against West Virginia (11/30) to go along with a fumble recovery ... his second fumble recovery of the year came on a Terrell Tilton strip sack late in the second quarter, giving the Red Raiders the ball back in plus territory to eventually push their lead to 35-3 at halftime following a Tahj Brooks two-yard touchdown run.
- Made his second start of the season in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl versus Arkansas (12/27), finishing with three tackles, including one for a loss, as well as a career-high two pass breakups.

2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Became a key contributor for the Red Raiders in the secondary as only a true freshman ... appeared in all 13 games with five starts from Texas Tech's "star" position ... one of three true freshmen to start in a game on the season, joining linebacker Miquel Dingle Jr. and quarterback Jake Strong ... was the only true freshman from that group to make multiple starts ... made three of his five starts late during Big 12 play against the likes of TCU, UCF and Texas.
- Recorded 20 tackles overall (16 solo), including 1.0 for a loss, to go along with a quarterback hurry and pass breakup ... led all true freshmen on the team in tackles. Credited with appearing in 329 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus ... saw sporadic action on special teams as well as part of the kickoff coverage, punt return and field goal block units.
- Made the first start of his career in his collegiate debut at Wyoming (9/2) ... was in the starting lineup again the following week versus Oregon (9/9), finishing with two tackles ... closed non-conference play with four stops the next week in the win over Tarleton State (9/16).
- Utilized heavily on defense beginning midway through Big 12 play with Kansas State (10/14) ... had a season-high six stops against the Wildcats to go along with his first career tackle for loss and pass breakup ... tackle for loss came early in the second quarter, eventually leading to a K-State 3-and-out drive.
- Came close to matching that season high for stops with five tackles to go along with a quarterback hurry in the win over UCF (11/18) ... credited with playing a season-high 65 defensive snaps against the Knights ... hurried quarterback John Rhys Plumlee into an incompletion on UCF's 1st-and-goal play just before halftime as the Red Raiders kept the Knights off the board to keep a 14-14 tie intact ... also had one stop at BYU (10/21) earlier in conference play and two in the regular-season finale at Texas (11/24).

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Mansfield High School in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex ... considered one of the top defensive backs in the country coming out of high school ... three-year varsity letterwinner where he helped lead Mansfield to its first playoff appearance since 2017 as a senior ... regarded as one of the top tackling safeties in the DFW area.
- Recorded 81 tackles as a senior alone, including four for a loss, to go along with two interceptions and eight pass breakups in the secondary ... ultimately closed his prep career with 141 total tackles (101 solo), averaging 6.4 tackles per game ... selected to play in the 2023 Polynesian Bowl following a successful senior season.
- Missed most of his junior season with an injury ... tabbed the District 11-6A Sophomore Defensive Player of the Year in 2020 after a strong varsity debut ... served as Mansfield's place kicker and punter during prep career in addition to his role in the secondary.
- Standout for the track and field programs as one of the top sprinters in the state ... clocked at a sub-11.0 time in the 100-meter dash during prep career.
- Listed as a four-star prospect by 247Sports and ESPN and a three-star signee by Rivals and ON3.com ... member of the ESPN300 at No. 224 overall nationally ... ranked as high as the No. 13 safety nationally by ESPN and No. 35 in the state of Texas by both ESPN and 247Sports ... tabbed the No. 14 safety in the country by 247Sports ... considered a Rivals Texas 100 prospect as the No. 92 recruit in the state ... ranked as the No. 32 recruit in the DFW area by the Dallas Morning News.

CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER: Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Mississippi State, Ole Miss, SMU and USC.

PERSONAL

- Brenden Xavier Jordan ... born in Arlington, Texas, to parents Robert and Koshier Jordan ... has two older sisters, Jessica and Mackenzie.
- An applied personal finance major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2023	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	13/5	13/2	14/14	40/21

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	PD	FF	FR	INT	QBH
2023	13	16	4	20	1	1	1	0	0	0	1
2024	13	18	18	36	2.5	9	3	0	2	0	0
2025	14	38	21	59	2.0	3	1	1	0	1	0
TOTALS	40	72	43	115	5.5	13	5	1	2	1	1



▲ **BRENDEN JORDAN** enters 2026 after appearing in at least 13 games in each of his first three years as a Red Raider. As a junior, he started all 14 games at boundary safety, seamlessly stepping into the role after primarily serving as the backup at the STAR position during his first two seasons.

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	TFL-YDS	INT-YDS	FF	FR	PBU
Ark.-Pine Bluff	* 0	1	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Kent State	* 0	1	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Oregon State	* 3	2	5	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Utah	* 4	3	7	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Houston	* 0	0	0	0.0-0	1-0	0	0	0	0
Kansas	* 4	2	6	0.0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
at Arizona State	* 6	0	6	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Oklahoma State	* 2	1	3	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Kansas State	* 3	0	3	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
BYU	* 3	2	5	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1
UCF	* 1	4	5	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at West Virginia	* 2	2	4	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. BYU	* 3	1	4	1.0-2	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Oregon	* 7	2	9	1.0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0
Totals	38	21	59	2.0-3	1-0	1	0	1	1

2024 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	TFL-YDS	INT-YDS	FF	FR	PBU
Abilene Christian	3	0	3	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Washington St.	0	1	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
North Texas	0	1	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Arizona State	1	3	4	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1
Cincinnati	4	1	5	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Arizona	0	2	2	0.0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
Baylor	3	0	3	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at TCU	1	3	4	1.0-5	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Iowa State	* 1	2	3	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Colorado	0	1	1	0.5-3	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Oklahoma St.	0	1	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
West Virginia	3	2	5	0.0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
vs. Arkansas	* 2	1	3	1.0-1	0-0	0	0	0	2
Totals	18	18	36	2.5-9	0-0	0	2	3	3

2023 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	TFL-YDS	INT-YDS	FF	FR	PBU
at Wyoming	* 0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Oregon	* 5	0	5	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1
Tarleton St.	4	0	4	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at West Virginia	0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Houston	0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Baylor	0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Kansas State	5	1	6	1.0-1	0-0	0	0	0	1
at BYU	0	1	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
TCU	* 0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Kansas	0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
UCF	* 4	1	5	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
at Texas	* 1	1	2	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. California	0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Totals	16	4	20	1.0-1	0-0	0	0	0	1



Quintaealyn JOYNER

WR | 6-0 | 205 | So. | 2nd Yr.
Austin, Texas | Bastrop HS
Career Games: 0 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

• Did not see any game action during his first season as a Red Raider ... scout team member ... joined the program as a walk-on defensive back to start summer workouts.

HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Bastrop High School in the Austin area ... played under Jake Griedl, a 5A program 30 miles east of the state capital ... previously attended attending Manor High School as a freshman and sophomore before moving to Bastrop prior to his junior year.
• Bastrop won the District 11-5A title in 2024, going 7-0 and 9-3 overall, improving from a 5-5 campaign in 2023 ... marked the school's first district championship since 2009 ... was a quarterback for the Bears, using his athleticism to record eight passing touchdowns and eight rushing touchdowns over his junior and senior seasons ... threw for 204 yards and five touchdowns while having 23 carries for 196 yards and seven scores during the Bears' 7-0 district title run as a senior.
• Shared the field with his brother, Quinten, while a sophomore at Manor High School as a sophomore ... totaled 963 passing yards and eight passing touchdowns while rushing for 250 yards on 40 carries as the team's starting quarterback.

PERSONAL

• Quintaealyn Joyner ... son of Quincy and Kristen Joyner ... one of three children... oldest brother, Quinten Joyner, is a fourth-year running back on the Red Raider football team.
• A multidisciplinary studies major at Texas Tech.



Quinten JOYNER

RB | 5-11 | 220 | Sr. | 4th Yr. (2nd at Tech)
Austin, Texas | Manor HS | USC
Career Games: 17 / Career Starts: 0

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CAREER HONORS

• Doak Walker Award Watch List (2025, So.)
• Shrine Bowl 1000 (2025, So.)
• Preseason Phil Steele All-Big 12 third team (2025, So.)
• Preseason Athlon Sports All-Big 12 third team (2025, So.)

2025 SEASON (JUNIOR)

• Arrived with high expectations before suffering a season-ending knee injury in the final scrimmage of preseason camp ... previously joined the Red Raiders prior to spring practices as a mid-year transfer from USC.

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

• Spent first two seasons of collegiate career at the University of Southern California ... utilized redshirt during first season with the Trojans ... played in 17 games at USC over two years, seeing action in five games as a true freshman (2023) while playing in all 12 regular season games as a redshirt freshman (2024).
• Combined for 603 rushing yards and four touchdowns on 81 carries over his two seasons as a Trojan ... also caught 13 passes for 96 yards and an additional touchdown ... bulk of statistics came during 2024 redshirt freshman season where he finished second on the team for rushing yards.
• Credited with 264 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus during his two years at USC with 210 of those coming during his 2024 redshirt freshman season ... received an 80.5 overall grade by the publication in 2024, which included a stellar 90.0 grade as a rusher ... accounted for 32 missed tackles forced during his two seasons, resulting in 333 yards after contact.
• **2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at USC):** was the Trojans' second-leading rusher, posting 478 yards on the ground and three rushing touchdowns over 12 games ... missed only USC's appearance in the Las Vegas Bowl after entering the transfer portal ... in addition, posted 12 receptions for 89 yards and one touchdown, producing a season all-purpose yardage total of 567 yards ... the 567 all-purpose yards ranked as the fourth-most by a USC player in 2024.
• Explosive with the ball in his hands with 15 carries of 10 or more yards on the season and five of at least 20 yards ... averaged 7.6 yards per rush on 63 carries ... also caught four passes of at least 10 yards.

• Began the season with four carries for 12 yards and one catch for four yards in a neutral site versus LSU in Las Vegas (9/1) ... posted single-game season highs in carries (10), rushing yards (84) and rushing touchdowns (2) in the Trojans' home opener versus Utah State (9/7) ... matched his season high for carries and came close to his rushing total in the regular-season finale versus Notre Dame with 10 carries for 83 yards ... also caught one pass for 13 yards in what would be his final game at USC.

• Other notable performance came versus Penn State (10/12) with three carries for 82 yards, which included a 75-yard touchdown scamper that was the longest play from scrimmage by a Trojan in 2024 ... marked the longest rushing attempt of his career thus far ... the touchdown came on the first play of USC's second drive, giving the Trojans a 7-3 lead at the time ... found the end zone again in the second quarter on a nine-yard touchdown catch early in the second quarter ... finished with two catches for 12 yards versus the Pittsburg State Lions.

• Previously had three rushes for 23 yards and two catches for six yards on the road at Michigan (9/21) and then six carries for 49 yards and one catch for 10 yards against Wisconsin (9/28) ... had four carries for 44 yards at Minnesota (10/5) ... followed the Penn State performance with three carries for six yards at Maryland (10/19) and then three more carries for 14 rushing yards as well as one catch for 10 yards against Rutgers (10/25) ... began the month of November with six carries for 38 yards at Washington (11/2) ... tallied seven carries for 19 yards and also recorded one catch for five yards versus Nebraska (11/16) ... recorded four carries for 24 yards and tallied two receptions for 20 yards at UCLA (11/23).

• **2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN at USC):** enrolled at USC in the spring of 2023 after graduating a semester early from high school ... saw action in five games as a true freshman - versus San Jose State (8/26), Nevada (9/2), Stanford (9/9), at Notre Dame (10/14) and in the Holiday Bowl versus Louisville (12/27).

• Recorded 18 carries for 125 yards (6.9 avg.) with a long of 47 yards and scored one touchdown, while also catching one pass for seven yards ... had five carries for 34 yards (6.8 avg.) against San Jose State to start the season ... recorded four carries for 65 yards (16.3 avg.) and one touchdown against Nevada ... found the end zone for the first time in his career on a 47-yard touchdown scamper with 9:09 remaining in regulation to give USC a 59-14 lead at the time ... also had one reception for seven yards against the Wolf Pack ... followed with five carries for 14 yards (2.8 avg.) versus Stanford and then added two carries for 11 yards against Notre Dame ... had two carries for one yard in the Holiday Bowl versus Louisville.

HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Manor High School just outside of Austin, Texas ... excelled at the same high school that produced Tahj Brooks, who became Texas Tech's all-time leading rusher during the 2024 season.

• Named to the All-District 25-6A first team as a senior after rushing for 1,794 yards and 25 touchdowns on 196 carries (9.2 avg.) ... added five receptions for 73 yards that season en route to earning third team All-State accolades by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA) ... contributed to special teams with three kickoff returns for 106 yards (35.3 average) ... was also Manor's punter, booting 14 attempts for 408 yards (29.1 average) with a long of 46 yards.

• Selected as the District 11-5A MVP as a junior after rushing for an impressive 2,494 yards and 31 touchdowns on 223 carries, averaging 11.2 yards an attempt ... was the leading rusher in all of Class 6A ... named a first team All-State selection by the TSWA ... also caught nine passes for 100 yards and two touchdowns to help lead Manor to the area round of the Class 5A Division I playoffs.

• Previously rushed for 613 yards on only 67 carries (9.1 yards per carry) and five rushing touchdowns as a sophomore ... was a first team All-District 11-5A selection in his first season on varsity ... caught five passes for 33 yards as well that season.

• A three-sport athlete having also played baseball and competed in track and field ... ran 11.06 in the 100 meters and threw a shot-put personal record of 49-feet in the records of 2022 ... ran a 10.99 in the 100 meters and posted a 45-8 shot put at the AAU Junior Olympics Games in May 2021.

• Selected to compete at the 2023 All-American Bowl and the 2023 Polynesian Bowl following his senior season ... considered a four-star prospect by the likes of 247Sports, ESPN and Rivals ... ranked as high as No. 4 among running backs in the 2023 class by 247Sports and was No. 89 nationally by the publication ... listed at No. 5 among running backs by Rivals and at No. 98 in its national database ... consensus top-100 recruit in Texas by all three publications, ranking as high as No. 17 by 247Sports.

• Chose to attend USC out of high school over offers from Oklahoma State, Nebraska, Penn State, TCU, Arkansas, Louisville, Vanderbilt, SMU and others.

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PERSONAL

- Quinten Joyner ... born in Austin, Texas but raised in Paige, Texas ... son of Quincy and Kristen Joyner ... is the oldest child of three ... younger brother, Quintaelyn, is his teammate and in his second season with the Red Raiders.
- An interdisciplinary studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2023*	2024*	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	5/0	12/0	0/0	17/0

* at USC

CAREER STATS

RUSHING	G	Att	Yds	TD	Lg	Avg/C	Avg/G
2023 (USC)	5	18	125	1	47	6.9	25.0
2024 (USC)	12	63	478	3	75	7.6	39.8
2025 (TTU)	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Totals	17	81	603	4	75	7.4	35.5

RECEIVING	G	Rec	Yds	TD	Lg	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2023 (USC)	5	1	7	0	7	0.2	7.0	1.4
2024 (USC)	12	12	89	1	13	1.0	7.4	7.4
2025 (TTU)	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Totals	17	13	96	1	13	0.8	7.4	5.7

2024 GAME-BY-GAME (@ USC)

Opponent	GS	Rush	Yds	TD	LG	Rec	Yds	TD	LG
vs. LSU		4	12	0	6	1	4	0	4
Utah State		10	84	2	32	1	9	0	9
at Michigan		3	23	0	11	2	6	0	7
Wisconsin		6	49	0	15	1	10	0	10
at Minnesota		4	44	0	21	0	0	0	0
Penn State		3	82	1	75	2	12	1	9
at Maryland		3	6	0	4	0	0	0	0
Rutgers		3	14	0	6	1	10	0	10
at Washington		6	38	0	15	0	0	0	0
Nebraska		7	19	0	6	1	5	0	5
at UCLA		4	24	0	21	2	20	0	12
Notre Dame		10	83	0	23	1	13	0	13
vs. Texas A&M		DNP							
Totals		63	478	3	75	12	89	1	13

2023 GAME-BY-GAME (@ USC)

Opponent	GS	Rush	Yds	TD	LG	Rec	Yds	TD	LG
San Jose State		5	34	0	13	0	0	0	0
Nevada		4	65	1	47	1	7	0	7
Stanford		5	14	0	11	0	0	0	0
at Arizona State		DNP							
at Colorado		DNP							
Arizona		DNP							
at Notre Dame		2	11	0	10	0	0	0	0
Utah		DNP							
at California		DNP							
Washington		DNP							
at Oregon		DNP							
UCLA		DNP							
vs. Louisville		2	1	0	3	0	0	0	0
Totals		18	125	1	47	0	0	0	0



Will
KAROLL

P | 6-4 | 215 | Sr. | 4th Yr. (1st at Tech)
Mosman, NSW, Australia | The King's School | Tulane | UCLA
Career Games: 38 / Career Starts: 0

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CAREER HONORS

- Honorable Mention All-Big Ten (2025, Jr.)
- Honorable Mention All-AAC (2023, Fr.)

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Arrived at Texas Tech as one of the nation's most-experienced punters with previous starting experience at both Tulane (2023-24) and UCLA (2025) ... will have two seasons of eligibility as a Red Raider following the passing of the NCAA 5-for-5 rule ... arrival gives Texas Tech its third Australian punter in the last decade.
- Appeared in 38 games prior to joining the Red Raiders, punting 129 times for 5,603 yards over that stretch to the tune of a 43.4 yards per punt average ... has totaled 32 punts of 50-plus yards in his career with a long of 78 while at Tulane ... downed 36 punts over this career inside the opponent's 20-yard line.
- 2025 SEASON (JUNIOR AT UCLA): an honorable All-Big Ten selection by the conference coaches in his lone season as a Bruin ... began the season on the Ray Guy Award watch list, which is presented to the nation's top punter ... appeared in all 12 games, ultimately punting 44 times for 1,913 yards at an average of 43.5 yards per punt ... booted eight punts for at least 50 yards and had 13 downed inside the opponent's 20-yard line with only two touchbacks ... served as UCLA's primary holder on field goals and extra-points through the first five games of the season in addition to punting duties.
- Sailed a season-long punt of 63 yards midway through the season at Indiana (10/25) ... previously had a 61-yard punt just a week prior in a win over Maryland (10/18) ... was one of three punts of 50-plus yards against the Terrapins, a season high ... highest two single-game averages came during that two-game stretch, finishing with a 48.1 clip versus Marland and then a 48.8 average at Indiana.
- Attempted at least two punts in 11 of 12 games overall with the lone exception being against Penn State (10/4) ... was not called on to punt once against the Nittany Lions ... averaged at least 40.0 yards per punt in eight different games overall.
- 2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE AT TULANE): appeared in all 14 games as a sophomore for a Green Wave program that played for its second American title in as many years ... compiled a 42.8 punt average after making 42 attempts for 1,796 yards on the season ... finished with 11 punts of 50-plus yards overall and had 11 punts downed inside the opponent 20-yard line.
- Sailed a punt 78 yards early in the season against Oklahoma (9/14), marking the third-longest punt in Tulane history and the longest since 1999 ... was the third-longest punt in the history of the American Conference as well.
- 2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN AT TULANE): earned the starting job in his collegiate debut, appearing in 12 games as a true freshman ... called on to punt 43 times for 1,894 yards at a 44.0 yards per punt average to earn honorable mention All-AAC honors ... average ranked as the eighth-highest single season clip in Tulane history ... recorded 14 punts of at least 50 yards and had 12 that were downed inside the opponent's 20-yard line ... helped boost a Tulane unit that ranked 33rd nationally in net punting (40.6) and third in the American ... his individual average ranked fourth in the league.
- Part of a Tulane program that played in the American Conference Championship Game en route to an 11-3 season that also featured two of his future coaches at Texas Tech in defensive backs coach Rob Greene and defensive coordinator Shiel Wood ... snapped the American Conference Championship records for most punts (8), yardage (356) and longest punt (65 yards) when Tulane faced SMU (12/2).

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended The King's School in his native country of Australia ... member of Prokick Australia, one of the top training programs for punters and kickers.

PERSONAL

- Will Karoll ... son of Trent and Penny Karoll ... has an older sister, Mia.
- Grew up playing rugby in his native Australia, all while rooting for the Parramatta Eels in the National Rugby League ... father was an Australian Football League standout in the mid-2000s and led the Melbourne Football Club in goals in 2008.
- An applied personal finance major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2023*	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	12/0	14/0	12/0	38/0

* at Tulane | * at UCLA

CAREER PUNTING	G	No.	Yards	Lg	Avg
2023 (Tulane)	12	43	1,894	65	44.0
2024 (Tulane)	14	42	1,796	78	42.8
2025 (UCLA)	12	44	1,913	63	43.5
Totals	38	129	5,603	78	43.4

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ UCLA)

Opponent	No	Yds	Avg	Long	Blkd	TB	FC	50+	I20
Utah	4	170	42.5	48	0	0	4	0	1
at UNLV	2	78	39.0	42	0	0	1	0	2
New Mexico	5	189	37.8	46	0	0	2	0	0
at Northwestern	3	141	47.0	52	0	0	0	1	1
Penn State	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Michigan State	2	70	35.0	36	0	0	1	0	1
Maryland	7	337	48.1	61	0	2	0	2	2
at Indiana	4	195	48.8	63	0	0	1	1	1
Nebraska	2	91	45.5	48	0	0	1	0	0
at Ohio State	5	221	44.2	49	0	0	2	0	3
Washington	6	244	40.7	50	0	0	3	1	1
at USC	4	177	44.3	50	0	0	2	2	1
Totals	44	1,913	43.5	63	0	2	17	8	13

2024 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ TULANE)

Opponent	No	Yds	Avg	Long	Blkd	TB	FC	50+	I20
Southeastern La.	1	35	35.0	35	0	0	1	0	0
Kansas State	4	173	43.3	62	0	1	3	1	1
at Oklahoma	6	271	45.2	78	0	0	3	1	0
at Louisiana	1	37	37.0	37	0	0	0	0	0
South Florida	2	77	38.5	45	0	0	1	0	0
at UAB	2	72	36.0	38	0	0	1	0	1
Rice	6	302	50.3	64	0	0	2	2	2
at North Texas	4	192	48.0	63	0	1	1	3	2
at Charlotte	1	36	36.0	36	0	0	0	0	0
Temple	3	143	47.7	54	0	0	1	1	2
at Navy	4	159	39.8	53	0	0	0	2	1
Memphis	3	100	33.3	37	0	0	3	0	0
at Army	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Florida	5	199	39.8	53	0	0	3	1	2
Totals	42	1,796	42.8	78	0	2	19	11	11

2023 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ TULANE)

Opponent	No	Yds	Avg	Long	Blkd	TB	FC	50+	I20
South Alabama	DNP								
Ole Miss	DNP								
at Southern Miss	4	160	40.0	47	0	1	0	0	2
Nicholls	2	96	48.0	50	0	1	1	1	0
UAB	2	101	50.5	61	0	0	1	1	1
at Memphis	5	226	45.2	57	0	0	1	2	2
North Texas	2	91	45.5	57	0	0	2	1	1
at Rice	1	48	48.0	48	0	0	0	0	0
at East Carolina	2	84	42.0	46	0	0	2	0	0
Tulsa	6	264	44.0	55	0	0	3	2	2
at Fla. Atlantic	2	82	41.0	46	0	1	0	0	0
UTSA	6	233	38.8	52	0	0	5	1	2
SMU	8	356	44.5	65	0	0	2	4	1
vs. Virginia Tech	3	153	51.0	61	0	0	0	2	1
Totals	43	1,894	44.0	65	0	3	17	14	12



Julien
LAVENTURE

DL | 6-0 | 290 | Sr. | 5th Yr. (1st at Tech)
Upper Darby, Pa. | Upper Darby HS | California (PA) | Akron
Career Games: 35 / Career Starts: 30

CAREER HONORS

- All-MAC Second Team (2025, Jr.)
- All-PSAC West First Team (2024, So.)
- PSAC West Defensive Player of the Week - Nov. 11 (2024, So.)

PROI TO TEXAS TECH

- Expected to strengthen Texas Tech's interior defensive line after previously earning All-MAC second team honors during lone season at Akron ... will spend his final collegiate season as a Red Raider after playing first at Penn West-California (2022-24) and then Akron (2025) ... appeared in 35 games during collegiate career with 30 starts.
- Totaled 118 tackles (45 solo) over his collegiate career, including 24.5 for a loss and 10.5 sacks ... has recorded at least 30 tackles in each of his three full seasons at the collegiate level ... added a pass deflection, two forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries and a blocked kick between his two previous stops.
- 2025 SEASON (JUNIOR AT AKRON): earned second team All-MAC honors after an impressive debut at the FBS level ... led the Zips with 10.5 tackles for loss and shared the team high with 4.0 sacks on the season after appearing in all 12 games with 11 starts ... was part of 45 tackles overall (18 solo) as well as six quarterback hurries, a forced fumble and fumble recovery.
- Rarely left the field, playing in 657 defensive snaps according to Pro Football Focus, which raked 13th nationally among interior defensive linemen ... highly-rated by the publication, earning a 76.1 overall grade and a 78.4 grade as a pass rusher ... was the third-highest overall graded interior defensive lineman in the MAC ... credited with 37 total pressures, which led all MAC interior defensive lineman and matched his now teammate A.J. Holmes Jr. for sixth nationally.
- Ranked 11th in the MAC with 10.5 tackles for loss, which led all interior defensive linemen in the league ... recorded 9.0 of his tackles for loss against MAC opponents, which was tied with another future teammate in Adam Trick (Miami of Ohio) for seventh in the league ... notched multiple tackles in 10 of 12 games overall and had four or more stops in seven different contests, including each of the final five games.
- Best performance on the season came midway through MAC play with nine tackles, 2.0 tackles for loss and a 1.0 sack at Ball State (10/18) ... recovered a fumble to start the second quarter after recording a sack earlier in the drive ... had at least a share of a tackle for loss in four of the final five games of the season.
- Put together another key performance a few weeks later with six tackles, 2.5 sacks for loss, a shared sack and a forced fumble versus UMass (11/4) ... totals included a sack on fourth down near the red zone to close the third quarter in Akron's win ... followed with four tackles in each of the final two games of the season versus Kent State (11/11) and at Bowling Green (11/18).
- Previously began the season with four tackles, including 1.5 for a loss in the opener versus Wyoming (8/28) ... part of two fourth-down stops versus the Cowboys, including one that went for a two-yard loss early in the fourth quarter ... recorded a career-high 2.0 sacks midway through the season versus Central Michigan (10/4) as part of three tackles.
- 2024 SEASON (JUNIOR AT PENN WEST-CALIFORNIA): an All-PSAC West first team selection as a junior after helping push the Vulcans to the third round of the NCAA Division II playoffs ... appeared in all 13 games and made 12 starts for a program that finished 10-3 overall and fell in the PSAC Championship.
- Recorded 41 tackles (16 solo) on the season, including 8.5 for a loss and 4.5 sacks ... defensive totals included four quarterback hurries and a pass breakup ... had at least one tackle in all 13 games and recorded multiple stops in nine different contests ... was second on the team for both tackles for loss and sacks.
- Best performance during the season was a six-tackle outing versus Edinboro (11/9) with six tackles, including 3.0 for a loss and 2.0 sacks ... previously had 2.0 sacks earlier in the year at Lock Haven (9/21) as part of three tackles ... recorded 2.0 tackles for loss in the NCAA Playoffs second round win over Ashland (11/30) as part of five tackles ... set a season high with seven tackles midway through the season versus IUP (10/26) and nearly matched it in the third-round loss to Slipper Rock (12/7).
- 2023 SEASON (SOPHOMORE AT PENN WEST-CALIFORNIA): impressed during second season on campus after appearing in 10 games overall with seven starts ... totaled 31 tackles (10 solo), including 6.5 for a loss and 2.0 sacks to go along with a forced fumble and fumble recovery ... ranked third on the team for tackles for loss and was seventh overall for total tackles.

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• Closed the year with a tackle for loss in four of his final five outings, which started with a season-high six stops versus Seton Hill (10/14) ... recorded his first career sack in that win and added his second of the year two weeks later against Mercyhurst (10/28) ... notched four tackles against Mercyhurst and then at both Gannon (11/4) and East Stroudsburg (11/11) to close the regular season ... performance versus Gannon included a season high 2.0 tackles for loss.

• 2022 SEASON (FRESHMAN AT PENN WEST-CALIFORNIA): did not see any game action during first collegiate season.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Upper Darby High School in Upper Darby, Penn., a suburb outside Philadelphia ... was a three-year starter at the prep level, leading the Royals to a 6-5 record as a senior after a memorable come-from-behind win in the annual Turkey Bowl versus rival Haverford.
- Garnered first team All-DelCo honors as a senior as well as honorable mention All-Area accolades for Class 6A ... selected to play in the PSFCA East-West All-Star Game following his senior season.
- Two-sport athlete as a member of the Upper Darby wrestling program ... claimed two regional championships during his prep career at the 285-pound weight class.

PERSONAL

- Julien Laventure ... son of Lafontant and Amber Laventure ... is the oldest of five children with two brothers and two sisters ... expecting a daughter, Sariah, in October 2026.
- His football credo: General of UNB (stands for unblockable, unbeatable, unbreakable).
- Is an interdisciplinary studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2022*	2023*	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	0/0	10/7	13/12	12/11	35/30

* at PennWest California | * at Akron

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	PBU	FF	FR	Blkd
2023 (PennWest)	10	10	21	31	5.5	23	0	1	1	0
2024 (PennWest)	13	17	25	42	8.5	35	1	0	0	1
2025 (Akron)	12	18	27	45	10.5	53	0	1	1	0
Totals	35	45	73	118	24.5	111	1	2	2	1

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ AKRON)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	INT
Wyoming		1	3	4	0.0-0	1.5-2	0	0	0
at Nebraska	*	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0
at UAB	*	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0
Duquesne	*	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0
at Toledo	*	1	3	4	0.0-0	1.0-1	0	0	0
Central Michigan	*	2	1	3	2.0-15	2.0-15	0	0	0
Miami (OH)	*	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0
at Ball State	*	5	4	9	1.0-3	2.0-5	0	1	0
at Buffalo	*	2	3	5	0.0-0	1.0-1	0	0	0
Massachusetts	*	3	3	6	0.5-4	2.5-26	1	0	0
Kent State	*	0	4	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0
at Bowling Green	*	2	2	4	0.5-3	0.5-3	0	0	0
Totals		18	27	45	4.0-25	10.5-53	1	1	0



Donte
LEE JR.

WR | 6-3 | 185 | Sr. | 5th Yr. (1st at Tech)
Baltimore, Md. | Dunbar HS | Shaw Univ. | Liberty
Career Games: 35 / Career Starts: 27

CAREER HONORS

- All-CIAA First Team – Kick Returner (2023, RfR.)
- All-CIAA Rookie Team (2023, RfR.)

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Big-play threat who is expected to bolster Texas Tech's wide receiver room in his final season of eligibility ... arrived at Texas Tech following two seasons at Liberty (2024-25) and two years at Shaw University (2022-23) in North Carolina ... appeared in 35 games over his collegiate career with 27 starts.
- Combined for 69 receptions for 1,150 yards and nine touchdowns over his career ... explosive with the ball in his hands, averaging an impressive 16.7 yards per catch between the two stops thanks in part to ranking among the national FBS leaders in the category during the 2025 season ... experienced as a kick returner as well with 13 returns for 326 yards and a touchdown (25.1 average), all at Shaw in 2023.
- Credited with 722 offensive snaps at the FBS level, all at Liberty, per Pro Football Focus ... combined for 73 targets over those two seasons with 42 of those resulting in a reception with only one drop credited to him by the publication ... received an 80.2 overall grade by PFF for the 2025 season, which ranked 27th nationally among receivers with at least 30 targets ... also among nation's top wide receivers for his route running grade of 81.0 and his drop grade of 90.0.
- 2025 SEASON (JUNIOR at LIBERTY): enjoyed a breakout season with the Flames, appearing in all 12 games with 11 starts ... finished as Liberty's leading receiver with 32 catches for 589 yards and five touchdowns after catching at least one pass in 11 of 12 games ... recorded multiple catches in eight of those contests and had at least 50 receiving yards seven times.
- Among the most-explosive receivers in college football, averaging 18.4 yards per catch ... average ranked 14th in the FBS for yards per reception and third in Conference USA ... also ended the year ranked tied for eighth in Conference USA for touchdown receptions (5) and ninth for both total receiving yard (589) and receiving yards per game (49.1) ... recorded 25 catches that went for at least 10 yards, which ranked eighth in the league ... of that total, nine went for 20 or more yards with five for 30-plus yards and three for 40-plus yards.
- Best performance on the year came versus Delaware (11/1) with five catches for a career-high 92 yards and a touchdown ... scored via a 31-yard touchdown pass from Ethan Vasko late in the third quarter to give Liberty a 49-24 lead ... previously set a new career high with six receptions versus New Mexico State (10/14), resulting in 55 yards.
- Started the season with a touchdown reception in each of the first three games with three catches for 36 yards against Maine (8/30), two receptions for 74 yards at Jacksonville State (9/6) and three catches for 77 yards at Bowling Green (9/13) ... touchdown versus Jacksonville State was from 62 yards, marking his longest reception as a Flame ... had five catches for 79 yards and another touchdown late in the year at Florida International (11/15).
- 2024 SEASON (JUNIOR at LIBERTY): appeared in 11 games with four starts during his first season with the Flames ... all four starts came early in the season over a five-game stretch beginning against UTEP (9/14) ... missed the win over Florida International (10/8) during that stretch due to injury.
- Finished with 10 receptions for 148 yards and a touchdown during his debut season, averaging 14.8 yards per catch, which ranked third on the team ... best two performance on the year came against East Carolina (9/21) with three catches for 50 yards and then at Kennesaw State (10/23) with four catches for 38 yards and a touchdown ... found the end zone for the first time as a Flame via a 15-yard touchdown strike from Kaidon Salter late in the second quarter.
- 2023 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at SHAW UNIVERSITY): developed into an All-CIAA first team selection as a kick returner and an All-CIAA Rookie Team honoree during second season at Shaw ... appeared in 10 games overall with nine starts as a wide receiver in a breakout season.
- Hauled in 26 passes for 402 yards and three touchdowns, while also rushing once for nine yards and returning 13 kickoffs for 326 yards and another score, averaging an impressive 25.1 yards per return ... ranked second in the CIAA for kick return average (25.1) and had the longest kick return (98 yards) in the league on the season, pushing him to All-CIAA honors ... made at least one catch in all 10 games and had multiple receptions in eight of those contests.
- Made a strong season debut with two receptions for 72 yards in the opener at Benedict (9/2), which included a 66-yard strike late in the third quarter ... turned an explosive play into a touchdown a week later versus Virginia Union (9/9), outracing

the defense for an 85-yard scoring play that was part of two catches for 84 yards ... also found the end zone via special teams with a 98-yard kick return for a touchdown, which marked the longest in school history.

- Later caught four passes for 44 yards versus Johnson C. Smith University (10/7), three receptions for 68 yards and a touchdown against Winston-Salem State (10/14) and then two catches for 40 yards and another score at Saint Augustine's (11/4) ... touchdown versus Winston-Salem State was via another explosive catch, this time resulting in 46 yards to start the fourth quarter.
- **2022 SEASON (FRESHMAN at SHAW UNIVERSITY):** limited to only two games played as a freshman ... started the first two games against Wingate (9/3) and at Wayne State (9/10) before suffering a collarbone injury in practice that ended his season ... made his lone catch in the season opener versus Wingate, resulting in 11 yards.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Dunbar High School in his hometown of Baltimore ... helped push Dunbar to the Class 2A/1A MPSAA state title in 2021 under head coach Lawrence Smith ... helped push Dunbar's lead to a 16-0 lead on a 22-yard touchdown reception during the first quarter.
- Tallied 369 receiving yards on 13 receptions as a senior, averaging an impressive 28.4 yards per catch ... logged four receiving touchdowns and five total touchdowns in season playing both wideout and defensive back.

PERSONAL

- Donte Lee Jr. ... born and raised in Baltimore, Maryland ... son of Donte Lee Sr. and Dana Wade ... has a stepmother, Brandi Lee, and a stepfather in Daryl Wade ... has two siblings in an older sister, Danaesha Lee, and a younger sister, Cailyn Lee.
- An interdisciplinary studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2022*	2023*	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	2/2	10/10	11/4	12/11	35/27

* at Shaw Univ. | * at Liberty

CAREER STATS

RECEIVING	G	Rec	Yds	TD	Lg	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2022 (Shaw)	2	1	11	0	-	0.5	11.0	5.5
2023 (Shaw)	10	26	402	3	85	2.6	15.5	40.2
2024 (Liberty)	11	10	148	1	24	0.9	14.8	13.5
2025 (Liberty)	12	32	589	5	62	2.7	18.4	49.1
Totals	35	69	1,150	9	-	2.0	16.7	32.9

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ LIBERTY)

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	LG	Rush	Yds	TD
Maine	*	3	36	1	12.0	16	0	0	0
at Jacksonville State	*	2	74	1	37.0	62	0	0	0
at Bowling Green	*	3	77	1	25.7	44	0	0	0
James Madison	*	1	21	0	21.0	21	0	0	0
at Old Dominion	*	1	53	0	53.0	53	0	0	0
at UTEP	*	2	28	0	14.0	22	0	0	0
New Mexico State	*	6	55	0	9.2	13	0	0	0
Delaware	*	5	92	1	18.4	31	0	0	0
Missouri State	*	3	57	0	19.0	30	0	0	0
at FIU	*	5	79	1	15.8	29	0	0	0
at Louisiana Tech	*	1	17	0	17.0	17	0	0	0
Kennesaw State	*	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Totals		32	589	0	18.4	62	0	0	0



Chris LEMONS

LB | 6-2 | 215 | Sr. | 4th Yr.
Prosper, Texas | Prosper HS
Career Games: 1 / Career Starts: 0

2025 SEASON (JUNIOR)

- Appeared in one game as a junior, making his Red Raider debut in the non-conference victory over Kent State (9/6) ... inserted on kickoff coverage in the rout over the Golden Flashes ... scout team member.

2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Scout team member ... did not see any game action.

2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Did not see any game action during first collegiate season ... scout team member.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Prosper High School in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex ... recorded seven solo tackles with three assisted tackles as well as six total hurries ... part of a Prosper program that went 13-2 his senior season, falling in the Class 6A Division I state semifinals ... dual-sport athlete in high school, football and basketball.

PERSONAL

- Chris Lemons ... son of Devin and Nicole Lemons ... brother to Isaac and Gabe ... father is a former linebacker for the Red Raiders.
- Enjoys video games and spending time with family and friends.
- A sport management major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2023	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	0/0	0/0	1/0	1/0



Noah LEWIS

CB | 5-10 | 180 | Fr. | 1st Yr
Terrell, Texas | Terrell HS

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Terrell High School just outside the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex ... played on both sides of the ball at the prep level as both a cornerback and a wide receiver ... placed in the cornerback room upon his arrival at Texas Tech.
- Helped push Terrell to the Class 5A Division II playoffs both his junior and senior seasons ... the Tigers advanced to the regional semifinal round his senior year before falling to the eventual state champion, finishing with a 12-1 overall record.
- A unanimous first team All-District 6-5A selections as a senior after totaling 40 tackles, six pass breakups and two fumble recoveries produced 313 yards of total offense on the other side of the ball as a senior, including 216 receiving yards ... also a force on special teams, blocking two field goals while also scoring on both a kick and punt return.
- Previously a second team All-District 6-5A honoree as a wide receiver his junior year after notching 235 receiving yards and four touchdowns through the air ... recorded 42 tackles, 2.0 tackles for loss, two interceptions, two forced fumbles and two blocked kicks that season defensively.
- Multi-sport athlete, competing in the 110-meter hurdles, the 300-meter hurdles, the long jump and triple jump ...
- Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, 247Sports and ESPN ... ranked as high as No. 83 among cornerbacks nationally out of high school by ESPN ... committed to Texas Tech on March 22, 2025 ... joined the program as a mid-year enrollee in January 2026.

PERSONAL

- Noah Lewis ... born in Terrell, Texas, to parents D'marqus Lewis and Kiwanja Wiggins ... has two siblings, Damon and D'marqus Jr. ... brother, Damon, played football at Abilene Christian and Mary-Hardin Baylor.
- A kinesiology major at Texas Tech.



Jason LLEWELLYN
TE | 6-5 | 250 | Sr. | 5th Yr. (3rd at Tech) | 2L
Aledo, Texas | Aledo HS | Oklahoma
Career Games: 39 / Career Starts: 0

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Matt LUDWIG
TE | 6-4 | 255 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Billings, Mont. | Billings West HS

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2025 SEASON (SENIOR)

- Turned into one of Texas Tech's most-dynamic players as a senior after finding a role as a tight end as well as a deep snapper ... one of only a handful of players in the country to have an offensive position and be a key specialist as well ... ultimately led to him appearing in all 14 games in various roles.
- Served as Texas Tech's deep snapper on punt coverage with no failed attempts ... credited with 97 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus with 68 of those coming on running plays ... utilized on heavy sets in the red zone and in short-yardage situations for a second-straight season due to his run-blocking ability.

2024 SEASON (JUNIOR)

- Appeared in 12 games as either a reserve tight end or on special teams during his first season as a Red Raider ... missed only the home date versus Cincinnati (9/28) ... often one of the shield protectors on Texas Tech's punt unit ... credited with one tackle on special teams, which came in the win over North Texas (9/14) ... saw action also on kickoff returns late in the season ... utilized in heavy sets late in the season as a third tight end on running downs.

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Joined the Red Raiders following two seasons at the University of Oklahoma ... arrived at Texas Tech with three seasons of eligibility remaining ... played in a total of 13 games as a Sooner either on special teams or as a reserve tight end.
- **2023 SEASON (SOPHOMORE):** saw action in only three games as a sophomore ... appeared in Oklahoma's wins against Arkansas State (9/2), Tulsa (9/16) and Cincinnati (9/23).
- **2022 SEASON (FRESHMAN):** played in 10 games as a true freshman in 2022 ... missed only three games that season late in the year against Baylor (11/5), Texas Tech (11/26) and versus Florida State in the Cheez-It Bowl (12/29).

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Aledo High School in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex ... played for one of the top Class 5A programs in the state of Texas ... helped push Aledo to the Class 5A Division-II state title his junior season ... the Bearcats returned to the regional semifinal round his senior year before narrowly falling to eventual state champion South Oak Cliff.
- An All-District 5-5A first-team selection as a senior after catching 30 passes for 452 yards and seven touchdowns ... also garnered first team All-State honors by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA).
- Earned first team All-District accolades as a junior as well after catching 28 passes for 453 yards and five touchdowns ... recognized as an honorable mention All-State honoree that season by the TSWA ... was a long snapper for Aledo in addition to his role as an All-State tight end.
- Considered a four-star prospect by Rivals and ESPN and a three-star recruit by both 247Sports and On3 ... ranked as the nation's No. 12 tight end by Rivals and at No. 13 by ESPN ... was a Texas top-100 prospect by both publications as well ... chose Oklahoma over offers from Alabama, Auburn, Texas and others.

PERSONAL

- Jason Llewellyn (loo-ELL-in) ... born in Aledo, Texas ... son of Paul and Cynthia Llewellyn ... has one sibling, an older brother - John.
- His father was a linebacker at TCU and then played five seasons of minor league baseball within the Atlanta Braves organization.
- Hobbies include playing golf, hunting and fishing outside of football.
- Graduated with a bachelor's degree in in business management in the spring of 2026 and is currently seeking a graduate certificate in sports communication.

PARTICIPATION	2022*	2023*	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	10/0	3/0	12/0	14/0	39/0

* at Oklahoma

CAREER STATS

RECEIVING	G	Rec	Yds	TD	Lg	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2022 (OU)	10	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2023 (OU)	3	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2024 (TTU)	12	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2025 (TTU)	14	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Totals	39	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Billings West High School in his hometown of Billings, Montana ... two-way star that ranked as the top athlete in the state of Montana and one of the best recruits in the country ... starred as a tight end and defensive end for Billings West, one of the top high school programs in the state.
- Named the Montana High School Player of the Year by MaxPreps after leading Billings West to a 10-2 record and the Class 2A state title game ... caught 50 passes for 736 yards and 10 touchdowns as a senior, while also rushing for 137 yards and another seven scores ... strong season earned him All-State accolades for the third time in his illustrious prep career ... also recorded 32 tackles, including 13.5 for a loss and 4.0 sacks, defensively as a senior.
- Previously hauled in 53 passes for 822 yards and four touchdowns as a junior in 2024, while also rushing for 149 yards and another two scores ... called on at quarterback on occasion, completing 5-of-6 passes for 46 passes ... registered seven tackles, including 1.5 for a loss, defensively over 11 games ... also the punter for the Golden Bears during his prep career, averaging 35.7 yards an attempt as a junior with a long of 61 yards.
- Made his prep debut with 36 catches for 441 yards and five touchdowns as a sophomore ... consistently found the end zone, rushing for 204 yards and four touchdowns on the ground ... added to the defensive efforts with 26 tackles, 3.0 tackles for loss and a shared sack.
- Invited to play in the 2026 Navy All-American Bowl in San Antonio following his senior season ... was the lone athlete from the state of Montana to be invited to the prestigious all-star game ...
- Multi-sport athlete, also starring in basketball and track and field for Billings West ... was a first team All-State selection on the hardwood as a junior ... claimed the Class 2A state title in the discus as a junior and was part of the state runner-up team in the 400-meter relay ... also a state qualifier that year in the 100-meter dash and the shot put.
- Consensus four-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, ESPN and 247Sports ... was the top recruit in the 2026 class from the state of Montana ... ranked as high as No. 8 among tight ends nationally by ESPN and was No. 10 by 247Sports and No. 12 by Rivals ... consensus top-300 prospect by all three publications, ranking as high as No. 225 overall by Rivals.
- Originally signed with Michigan before being allowed out of his scholarship agreement after the Wolverines made a coaching change ... committed to Texas Tech on Dec. 12, 2025, only weeks before joining the program as a mid-year enrollee - **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Michigan, Texas A&M, Notre Dame, Georgia, Tennessee, Nebraska, Penn State, Oklahoma State, Oregon, Texas, LSU, Washington, Florida, Indiana, Stanford and Auburn, among others.

PERSONAL

- Matthew Ludwig Jr. ... goes by the nickname "Moose" ... son of Matt Sr. and Tessa Ludwig ... has two younger siblings in a sister, Alivia, and his late brother Nicko ... brother passed away in February 2023 at the age of 12 after battling severe congenital heart defects his entire life.
- Family has established the 5 Beats For Nicko Foundation to support kids and family impacted by congenital heart disease through scholarships, grants and youth programs ... as part of this, hosted the first 5 Beats for Nicko Football Camp in May 2026 to give back to the Billings community and raise awareness of the medical challenges his late brother faced ... will wear the No. 5 jersey as a Red Raider as a way to honor his late brother who wore the number growing up.
- Father was a football student-athlete at Purdue before joining the coaching profession, serving as a strength and conditioning coach at the likes of Washington State (2001-05) and the University of Washington (2005-12).
- A marketing major at Texas Tech.



Garin MALEY

OL | 6-5 | 295 | So. | 2nd Yr.
Omaha, Neb. | Papillion-La Vista HS
Career Games: 1 / Career Starts: 0

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Davin MARTIN

CB | 6-2 | 185 | Sr. | 4th Yr. (1st at Tech)
Houston, Texas | Klein Cain HS | UTSA
Career Games: 29 / Career Starts: 10

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2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

• Appeared in only one game as a freshman, which came in the season opener versus Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) ... scout team member.

HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Papillon-La Vista High School located just outside of Omaha, Neb. ... one of the first Red Raider signees out of the state of Nebraska in recent years ... helped push the Monarchs to the Class A state quarterfinals as a senior before eventually falling to state runner-up Omaha Westside.
• Two-way player for the Monarchs as both an offensive tackle and a defensive end ... will play on the offensive line for the Red Raiders ... recorded 45 pancake blocks his senior year alone to go along with 43 tackles, 4.0 sacks and an interception defensively ... previously recorded 20 tackles, 6.5 tackles for loss and 4.5 sacks as a junior for a program that finished 8-2 overall.
• Member of the school's basketball and track and field programs ... qualified for the state meet as a junior in the shot put, finishing 10th overall.
• Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of On3, 247Sports, ESPN and Rivals ... listed as one of the top 11 prospects in the state of Nebraska by all four publications, ranking as high as No. 4 by On3 ... highly-regarded by On3 as the No. 28 interior offensive lineman in the country ... also ranked fifth in the state by 247Sports and No. 8 by Rivals and No. 11 by ESPN ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Oregon State, Northern Illinois, Eastern Michigan, Yale, Princeton with interest from Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas State, Minnesota and Kansas, among others.

PERSONAL

• Garin Maley ... born in Omaha, Neb., to parents Ryan and Deanna Maley ... an only child.
• An accounting major at Texas Tech.



Demarcus MARKS

OLB | 6-3 | 215 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Houston, Texas | Westfield HS

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HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Westfield High School in the greater Houston area ... one of the top defensive line prospects to come out of Houston ... helped push Westfield to the Class 6A Division II playoffs and at least a share of the District 14-6A title both his junior and senior seasons.
• Earned first team All-District 14-6A honors as a senior after recording 92 tackles, including an impressive 23.0 that went for a loss ... total included 5.0 sacks to go along with a fumble recovery ... previously registered 27 tackles, 10.0 tackles for loss, eight quarterback hurries and a fumble recovery as a junior.
• At Westfield High School under head coach Desmar Black ... capped off a stellar senior season recording 92 tackles, including 23 tackles for loss along with five sacks and secured one fumble recovery ... his junior season saw him register 27 tackles with 10 tackles for loss, eight quarterback hurries and one fumble recovery ... shined in the classroom as an All-A Honor Roll student.
• Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, ESPN and 247Sports ... ranked as high as No. 46 among edge rushers nationally by ESPN and No. 92 among recruits from the state of Texas ... committed to Texas Tech on June 8, 2025 ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Colorado State, Utah, UTEP and New Mexico State, among others.

PERSONAL

• Demarcus Jaylon Marks ... born in Houston, Texas, to parents Desmond and Ariel Walker ... has four siblings, Jordan, Nia, Nehemiah and Mackenzie.
• A foundational engineering major at Texas Tech.

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

• Remained in-state to join the Red Raiders following three years at UTSA ... will have two seasons of eligibility remaining as a Red Raider, giving Texas Tech another experienced corner with size ... appeared in 29 games over his UTSA career with 10 starts.
• Combined to make 40 tackles (33 solo) as a Roadrunner to go along with an interception, three pass breakups and a fumble recovery ... of his tackle total, recorded 2.0 tackles for loss and a solo sack from his spot in the secondary ... vast majority of his tackle total came during his 2025 sophomore campaign.
• Credited with 665 defensive snaps over his three seasons by Pro Football Focus ... added an additional 350 snaps via special teams with experience on all four primary units, namely kickoff coverage ... targeted 49 times throughout his career, per PFF, with 27 of those resulting in receptions ... given up only one touchdown reception to this point in his career.
• **2025 SEASON (JUNIOR at UTSA):** took on a much larger role as a junior, appearing in 11 games with eight starts at cornerback ... recorded 26 tackles overall (22 solo) to go along with an interception and two pass breakups from his spot in the secondary.
• Posted multiple tackles in six different games, including a career-high six stops in the non-conference win over Incarnate Word (9/13) ... picked off his first career pass against the Cardinals late in the first quarter ... notched three tackles versus Texas State (9/6) and then at Temple (10/4) and Charlotte (11/15) as well as four at Colorado State (9/20) and five at North Texas (10/18) ... one of his three stops at Charlotte went for a loss, his lone tackle behind the line of scrimmage on the year.
• Credited with 437 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus as well as an additional 97 snaps on special teams ... regular member of the kickoff coverage unit for a second-straight season and saw time on every other special teams unit minus field goal protect ... publication had him with 33 targets on the season with 17 resulting in a completion but none for touchdowns.
• **2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at UTSA):** began to earn playing time at cornerback as a sophomore, appearing in all 13 games with two starts against Florida Atlantic (10/19) and Memphis (11/2) ... recorded 12 tackles (10 solo) on the season to go along with a pass breakup and a fumble recovery ... tackle total includes the lone sack (solo) of his UTSA tenure.
• Majority of tackles came over a four-game span with two stops versus Rice (10/12), Florida Atlantic and Memphis as well as four at Tulsa (10/26) ... performance at Tulsa included his lone pass breakup of the season ... previously notched his first career sack in the win over Florida Atlantic and later capped the win over Temple (11/22) with a fumble recovery on the second-to-last play of the game.
• **2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN AT UTSA):** appeared in five games during first collegiate season, including UTSA's first-ever bowl win in the Frisco Bowl ... recorded the first two tackles of his career in the bowl win over Marshall (12/19) ... made his collegiate debut versus East Carolina (10/28) and proceeded to see playing time - primarily on special teams - against Rice (11/11), South Florida (11/17) and at Tulane (11/24).

HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Klein Cain High School in the Houston area ... helped push the Hurricanes to the area round of the Class 6A Division I playoffs his junior and senior seasons ... capped his time at the prep level by helping lead Klein Cain to a 10-2 record as a senior and district title under head coach James Clancy.
• Recorded 44 tackles, eight pass breakups, an interception and a forced fumble as a senior en route to earning first team All-District 15-6A accolades ... previously a second team All-District 15-6A honoree as a junior after registering 35 tackles, six pass breakups and three interceptions ... Klein Cain finished 9-3 that season and as the district runner-up.
• Multi-sport athlete as a member of the Klein Cain track and field program ... produced a personal-best time of 11.27 in the 100 meters as a junior and 22.15 in the 200 meters ... also the anchor leg of the 4x100-meter relay and second leg of the 4x200-meter relay that both placed in the top three at in the district and advanced to the regional meet.
• Highly regarded for his work in the classroom as a member of the National Honor Society ... three-time Academic All-District honoree during prep career as well.
• Consensus three-star prospect by Rivals, On3, ESPN and 247Sports ... ultimately chose to attend UTSA over offers from Louisiana-Lafayette and Oregon State.

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PERSONAL

- Davin Martin ... born and raised in Houston, Texas ... father is Lamar Martin and his mother is Ebony Martin ... has four siblings in Taylen, Madden, Ashton and Jace.
- An applied personal finance major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2023*	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	5/0	13/2	11/8	29/10

* at UTSA

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2023 (UTSA)	5	1	1	2	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
2024 (UTSA)	13	10	2	12	1.0	9	0	1	1	0
2025 (UTSA)	11	22	4	26	1.0	3	0	0	2	1
TOTALS	29	33	7	40	2.0	12	0	0	3	1

INTERCEPTIONS	GP	No	Yds	TD	LG
2023 (UTSA)	5	0	0	0	0
2024 (UTSA)	13	0	0	0	0
2025 (UTSA)	11	1	0	0	0
TOTALS	29	1	0	0	0

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ UTSA)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	TFL-YDS	INT-YDS	FF	FR	PBU
at Texas A&M	*	0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Texas State	*	3	0	3	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Incarnate Word	*	6	0	6	0.0-0	1-0	0	0	0
at Colorado State	*	3	1	4	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	1
at Temple	*	2	1	3	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	1
Rice		1	0	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
at North Texas	*	4	1	5	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Tulane		0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
at South Florida		DNP							
at Charlotte	*	2	1	3	1.0-3	0-0	0	0	0
East Carolina		0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Army	*	1	0	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
vs. FIU		DNP							
Totals		22	4	26	1.0-3	1-0	0	0	2



S'Vioarean MARTIN

CB | 6-2 | 200 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Palestine, Texas | Palestine HS

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Palestine High School in his hometown of Palestine, Texas ... two-way player at the prep level, playing not only cornerback but also wide receiver and running back ... joined the cornerback room upon his arrival at Texas Tech.
- Earned first team All-District accolades each of his three seasons on varsity ... did not allow a single touchdown reception over that span to rank among the top cover corners in the state ... recorded 40 tackles and 15 pass breakups his senior year, while adding 10 catches for 170 yards and four touchdowns on offense ... added two punt return touchdowns on special teams to his impressive senior ledger.
- Invited to the 2026 Navy All-American Bowl in San Antonio, one of the most-prestigious all-star games in the country.
- Multi-sport athlete, starring in track and field for Palestine as well ... finished fifth at the Class 4A state meet as a junior in the 4x100-meter relay ... part of a 4x100-relay team that set the Palestine school record ... qualified for the regional meet in the 100-meter dash that same year, recording a personal-best time of 11.05 seconds.
- Consensus four-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, ESPN and 247Sports ... ranked as high as No. 19 among cornerbacks nationally by Rivals and No. 20 by both ESPN and 247Sports ... one of the top recruits in the state of Texas for the 2026 class, ranking as high as No. 20 overall by Rivals and ESPN and then No. 23 by 247Sports ... committed to Texas Tech on June 19, 2025, and joined the program as a mid-year enrollee in January 2026 ... CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER: Oklahoma State, Kansas State, Arizona, Baylor, Houston, SMU and others.

PERSONAL

- S'Vioarean Martin ... goes by the nickname "Boss" ... born in Palestine, Texas, to parents Shun (pronounced Sean) and Chasity Powell Martin ... has three siblings, Tra'Voriyaq, De'Myzjean, and L'Kaysin ... related to NFL great, Adrian Peterson.
- A sport management major at Texas Tech.



Jamond MATHIS

OLB | 6-1 | 250 | Sr. | 4th Yr. (1st at Tech)
Saint Charles, Mo. | Duchesne HS | Southern Illinois | Kent State
Career Games: 28 / Career Starts: 9

CAREER HONORS

- All-MAC Second Team (2025, So.)

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PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Arrived at Texas Tech after earning All-MAC second team honors at Kent State ... spent only the 2025 season with the Golden Flashes following two years at Southern Illinois ... will have two seasons of eligibility remaining as a Red Raider after appearing in 28 games with nine starts between the two schools.
- Combined for 59 tackles over the two schools (31 solo) to go along with 17.5 tackles for loss and 9.0 sacks ... credited with 67 total pressures over 868 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus ... delivered the bulk of his pressures the past two seasons ... has received an 78.0 or better overall grade in each of his three seasons at the collegiate level.
- 2025 SEASON (JUNIOR at KENT STATE): collected second team All-MAC honors during his first season at the FBS level with Kent State ... appeared in all 12 games for the Golden Flashes, while making two starts ... recorded 28 tackles (17 solo) on the season, including 8.0 for a loss and a team-leading 6.0 sacks ... ranked second on the team for tackles for loss and was tied for third with three pass breakups ... closed the season ranked tied for seventh in the MAC for total sacks.
- Recorded a tackle for loss in two of Kent State's three games against power conference foes, delivering one for a three-yard loss at Florida State (9/20) and then a sack at Oklahoma (10/4) for an 11-yard loss ... did not have a tackle for loss in the matchup with his future school in Texas Tech (9/6), finishing with one stop in the loss.
- Previously began the season with a solo sack as part of three tackles versus Merrimack (8/30) ... had at least a share of a tackle for loss in seven games overall, matching his career high with 1.5 stops behind the line against the likes of UMass (10/11), Ball State (11/5) and Akron (11/11) ... set a season high with four tackles at both Ball State and Northern Illinois (11/28).
- Credited with 453 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him an 84.5 overall grade, the highest thus far in his career ... easily the highest-rated player on Kent State's defense and ranked 22nd nationally among edge players with at least 400 snaps ... listed with 35 total pressures, more than twice the total of any other Golden Flash ... resulted in an 81.9 pass rush grade to go along with a 78.5 rush defense grade.
- 2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at SOUTHERN ILLINOIS): earned an increased role as a sophomore, appearing in all 12 games for the Salukis while making seven starts ... recorded 30 tackles (13 solo) on the season, including 8.5 for a loss and 3.0 sacks ... ranked tied for second on the team for both tackles for loss and sacks.
- Best performance of the season came in only the second game with six tackles, including 1.5 for a loss - all via sacks - at Austin Peay (9/7) ... first of eight games with at least a share of a tackle for loss on the season ... matched his season high of 1.5 tackles for loss later in the year against both North Dakota State (10/12) and Murray State (11/23) ... finished with five tackles versus North Dakota State as well as Youngstown State (11/9) later in the year.
- Credited with 377 defensive snaps on the season by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him a 79.6 overall rating ... publication awarded him 28 total pressures, which led the team ... was the third-highest ranked player on the team among those with at least 300 defensive snaps ... received a 74.0 grade as a pass rusher and a 73.0 grade in rush defense as well.
- 2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN at SOUTHERN ILLINOIS): appeared in only four games as a true freshman, seeing time against Austin Peay (9/2), North Dakota State (11/11), Indiana State (11/18) and Nicholls (11/25) ... lone tackle on the year went for a one-yard loss in the FCS Playoffs win over Nicholls.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Duchesne High School in St. Charles, Missouri, a suburb of St. Louis ... two-way player, lining up at running back and wide receiver in addition to his defensive end spot ... helped lead Duchesne to a memorable senior season, advancing to the state semifinals to become just the fifth team to be among the

final four teams.

• One of the top athletes in the school's history, setting the Duchesne school record with 23.0 career sacks ... had already snapped the school career sacks record before his senior season ... a three-time first team All-Conference selection and All-State honoree as a senior in 2022.

• Recorded 50 tackles, 9.0 tackles for loss and 5.0 sacks on defense as a junior, all while compiling 679 all-purpose yards on offense that season ... rushed for more than 1,000 yards and scored 18 touchdowns as a running back his junior and senior seasons ... multi-sport athlete as a member of the Duchesne track and field program.

• Listed as a three-star prospect coming out of high school by Rivals, On3 and 247Sports ... ranked as high as No. 25 among prospects from the state of Missouri by Rivals ... had offers out of high school from Kentucky, Colorado, Memphis and Kansas, among others, before settling on Southern Illinois.

PERSONAL

- Jamond Mathis ... born and raised in St. Louis, Mo. ... father is Deray Mathis ... has one sibling, Destiny Hightower.
- Outside of football, enjoys the outdoors, nature and hiking.
- An applied personal finance major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2023*	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	4/0	12/7	12/2	28/9

* at Southern Illinois | * at Kent State

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	PBU	FF	FR	Blkd
2023 (SIU)	4	1	0	1	1.0	1	0	0	0	0
2024 (SIU)	12	13	17	30	8.5	31	0	0	0	0
2025 (Kent)	12	17	11	28	8.0	46	3	0	0	0
Totals	28	31	28	59	17.5	78	3	0	0	0

SACKS	G	UA	A	Total	Yds
2023 (SIU)	4	0	0	0.0	0
2024 (SIU)	12	2	2	3.0	11
2025 (Kent)	12	5	2	6.0	41
Totals	28	7	4	9.0	52

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ KENT STATE)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	PBU
Merrimack	1	2	3	1.0-10	1.0-10	0	0	0	0
at Texas Tech	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Buffalo	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Florida State	2	0	2	0.0-0	1.0-3	0	0	0	0
at Oklahoma	1	0	1	1.0-11	1.0-11	0	0	1	0
Massachusetts	1	2	3	1.0-7	1.5-8	0	0	1	0
at Toledo	* 1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Bowling Green	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Ball State	* 3	1	4	1.5-6	1.5-6	0	0	1	0
at Akron	1	1	2	1.5-7	1.5-7	0	0	0	0
Central Michigan	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0
at Northern Illinois	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Totals	17	11	28	6.0-41	8.0-46	0	0	3	0

2024 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ SOUTHERN ILLINOIS)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	PBU
at BYU	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Austin Peay	3	3	6	1.5-5	1.5-5	0	0	0	0
Incarinate Word	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0
Southeast Mo. St.	0	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at South Dakota	* 0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Illinois State	0	4	4	0.0-0	1.0-6	0	0	0	0
North Dakota St.	* 2	3	5	1.0-3	1.5-6	0	0	0	0
at Indiana State	* 2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Missouri State	* 1	1	2	0.5-3	0.5-3	0	0	0	0
Youngstown St.	* 2	3	5	0.0-0	1.0-1	0	0	0	0
at South Dakota St.*	1	0	1	0.0-0	1.0-1	0	0	0	0
Murray State	* 1	1	2	0.0-0	1.5-8	0	0	0	0
Totals	13	17	30	3.0-11	8.5-31	0	0	0	0



Jerald
MAYS

OL | 6-4 | 315 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Pflugerville, Texas | Weiss HS

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Weiss High School in his hometown of Pflugerville, Texas, just outside of Austin ... helped push Weiss to the regional quarterfinal round of the Class 5A Division I playoffs as a senior, ultimately finishing 10-3 overall ... program finished 8-3 his junior season with a playoff appearance.
- Started at center in all 13 games as a senior, ultimately earning District 12-5A Offensive Lineman of the Year honors ... did not surrender a single sack or pressure during senior campaign as key member of an offense that averaged 443.3 yards per game and finished the year with over 2,000 yards on the ground.
- Marked the second-consecutive season to be named the district's top offensive lineman after also earning the honor as a junior in 2024 ... invited to the 2026 Navy All-American Bowl following his senior season, one of the most-prestigious all-star games among the top recruits in the country.
- Listed as a four-star prospect the top center in the 2026 class by ESPN, which had him as part of its top-300 listing and at No. 38 among state of Texas recruits ... considered a three-star signee by both Rivals and 247Sports ... committed to Texas Tech on April 8, 2025, and joined the program in January 2026 as a mid-year enrollee ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Ole Miss, Oregon, Nebraska, Miami, Duke, Baylor, Arizona and Arizona State, among others.

PERSONAL

- Jerald "JJ" Mays ... prefers "JJ" ... born in Austin, Texas, to parents Antoine and Brittany Mays ... has six siblings, London, Azariyah, Antoine Jr., Sarai, Ka'rielle and Ta'brille.
- Third member of his immediate family to participate in college athletics ... father played football at Southwestern Assemblies of God University and older brother played baseball at Prairie View A&M.
- A sport management major at Texas Tech.



Braylan
MCDONALD

S | 6-0 | 190 | So. | 2nd Yr.
Terrell, Texas | Lancaster HS
Career Games: 2 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in two games as a true freshman, which came during non-conference play versus Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) and Kent State (9/6) ... scout team member.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Lancaster High School, a 6A program located in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex ... played both sides of the ball as a wide receiver and defensive back for Lancaster ... recruited to play defensive back at Texas Tech and projected at safety, specifically ... was also a linebacker and kicker while at Lancaster.
- Helped push Lancaster to the second round of the 6A Division II playoffs as a senior, defeating Harker Heights, 40-35, in the first round before falling to Longview in the second round ... made a key interception in overtime versus Cedar Hill to give Lancaster's offense the opportunity to win the game, 41-35, aiding a 4-3 season record in district play.
- A two-sport athlete at Lancaster, competing on the track and field program as well as in football.
- Consensus three-star recruit by the likes of On3, 247Sports, Rivals and ESPN ... first committed to Washington State before flipping pledge to the Red Raiders in June 2024 ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Boston College, Washington State, Texas State, Bowling Green and UTEP.

PERSONAL

- Braylan McDonald ... born in Mesquite, Texas, to parents Marvin and Chenelcia Spencer ... friends and family call him Bray, short for Braylan.
- A leadership studies major at Texas Tech.

PREVIEW

RED RAIDERS

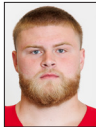
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TEXAS TECH



**Patrick
McMATH**
OL | 6-4 | 290 | So. | 2nd Yr.
Katy, Texas | Katy HS
Career Games: 4 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in four games as a freshman after being inserted at center in wins over Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30), Kent State (9/6), Oregon State (9/13) during non-conference play and then at West Virginia (11/29) in the regular-season finale ... scout team member.
- Came into the season listed as the No. 3 center behind Sheridan Wilson and Davion Carter, both starters ... ended the year as the primary starter to Carter at right guard ... credited with 69 offensive snaps on the season by Pro Football Focus ... allowed only one pressure over 25 pass-blocking opportunities, according to the publication ... saw time on Texas Tech's field goal protection unit in two of those wins as well.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Katy High School in the greater Houston area ... graduated early in order to join the Red Raiders in the spring of 2025 ... named a team captain as a senior for a Katy program that finished 10-2 overall.
- Katy finished 9-1 in the regular season with a first-place 8-0 mark in district play his senior year under head coach Gary Joseph ... qualified for the regional round of the playoffs with bi-district and area round wins before a 10-game winning streak was snapped in the regional round.
- A two-time first team All-District honoree after being recognized after both his junior and senior seasons ... selected to the final ballot for the 2024 Whataburger Super Team ... tabbed to the All-District second team as a sophomore ... moved to the offensive line his sophomore year after playing on the defensive line as a freshman.
- Offense averaged nearly 400 total yards per game as a senior thanks to a rushing attack that produced better than 225 yards per game ... chipped in on the scoring posting a two-point conversion rush, catching a pass behind the line of scrimmage on Nov. 8 versus Mayde Creek ... honored on Nov. 6 as part of an offensive line unit as Players of the Week for contributing to 183 passing yards, 239 rushing yards and five touchdowns after a 35-0 win over Tompkins.
- Became the first offensive line commit to the 2024 class, committing to the Red Raiders on June 18, 2024 ... a consensus three-star recruit from the likes of On3, 247 Sports, ESPN and Rivals ... ranked as the No. 41 interior offensive lineman in the nation by ESPN ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Arizona, Baylor, BYU, Houston, Memphis, Pittsburgh, Rice, SMU, Texas State, Tulane and UTSA.

PERSONAL

- Patrick McMath ... born in Houston, Texas, to parents Jeff and April McMath ... has one sibling, Kathleen.
- Enjoys fishing in his spare time outside of football.
- A business management major at Texas Tech.



**Oliver
MILES III**
S | 6-2 | 190 | Jr. | 3rd Yr. | 1L
El Campo, Texas | El Campo HS
Career Games: 19 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Played on both sides of the ball as a sophomore, starting the year in the secondary before transitioning to the running back room ... regular on special teams as well, ultimately appearing in all 14 games.
- Totaled five tackles defensively with three coming against Kent State (9/6), including one as part of punt coverage ... also had a tackle in the season opener versus Ark.-Pine Bluff (8/30) and in the regular-season win versus BYU (11/8).
- Blocked a kick on special teams in the shutout win over Oklahoma State (10/25), getting his hands on a punt to end the first drive of the game ... the Red Raiders recovered at the Oklahoma State 26-yard line and scored a play later for an early 13-0 lead ... one of five blocked kicks on the season by the Red Raiders, which was tied for the national lead.
- On the offensive end, carried 11 times for 60 yards, all in Big 12 play ... entered late in wins to carry four times for 13 yards versus Oklahoma State, three times for 12 yards against UCF (11/15) and four times for 35 yards in the regular-season finale at West Virginia (11/29) ... lone reception on the year went for a negative loss against UCF.
- Led the team with 208 snaps on special teams, according to Pro Football Focus ... member of Texas Tech's kickoff and punt coverage teams as well as the punt return unit ... added 44 snaps on defense and 19 on offense during the season.

2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in five games during his first season as a Red Raider, including in four contests during Big 12 play ... also saw action in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl matchup against Arkansas to close the season.
- Made his collegiate debut midway through the season against Baylor (10/19) before seeing time at TCU (10/26) and Iowa State (11/2) as well as at home versus Colorado (11/9) ... did not record a tackle in those appearances ... inserted on special teams in all five games, primarily as part of the punt return unit ... saw brief time on kick returns and kickoff coverage as well.
- Scout team member ... recognized as the defensive scout team player of the week following Texas Tech's season-opening win over Abilene Christian (8/31).

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended El Campo High School near the Gulf Coast of Texas, roughly an hour southwest of the greater Houston area ... one of the top overall athletes in the 2024 class, both in football and in track and field.
 - Started on both sides of the ball for the Ricebirds as a quarterback as well as a key member of the secondary ... projected as a defensive back at the collegiate level ... limited his senior season due to an injury for an El Campo program that advanced to the area round of the Class 4A Division I playoffs.
 - Previously was one of the most dynamic athletes in South Texas his junior season, earning District 12-4A Utility Player of the Year honors ... threw for 237 yards and three touchdowns that season on only 37 attempts ... also rushed for 743 yards and six touchdowns on the ground, while picking off three passes in the secondary ... named a second team All-District selection that season as El Campo's punter ... El Campo finished 9-3 overall his junior season with another appearance in the area round of the playoffs.
 - Four-sport athlete at El Campo, starring in baseball, basketball and track and field as well as football ... was the Class 4A state champion in the triple jump as a junior after leaping an impressive 50 feet, 10 inches, the second-longest measurement in UIL 4A history ... that jump would have placed fifth at the Big 12 Outdoor Championships in 2023.
 - Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, ESPN, 247Sports and On3 ... was a consensus top-100 prospect in the state of Texas by all four publications as well ... ranked as high as No. 34 among cornerbacks nationally by Rivals and at No. 38 by On3 ... listed as the No. 59 recruit in the state of Texas by 247Sports.
 - CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Baylor, Houston, Nebraska, North Texas, Notre Dame, Stanford, Tulane, Utah, Vanderbilt, among others.
- PERSONAL**
- Oliver Miles III ... son of Oliver Miles and Priscilla Miles ... has three siblings, Christian, Kiannsh and Riannah.
 - A sport management major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	5/0	14/0	19/0



Peyton MORGAN

S | 6-0 | 185 | Jr. | 3rd Yr. | 1L
Round Rock, Texas | Pflugerville Weiss HS
Career Games: 14 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Saw a significant increase in playing time as a sophomore, appearing in 12 of 14 games either as a reserve safety or on special teams ... missed only the final two games of the season in the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship and College Football Playoff.
- Recorded 11 tackles on the season (5 solo), including a shared stop for a loss, to go with three pass breakups ... had at least one tackle in six different games with multiple stops in three of those outings ... all three of his pass breakups came during Big 12 play, meanwhile.
- Best performance of the season came via four tackles and a pass breakup in the shutout win over Oklahoma State (10/25) ... previously started the season with two tackles in the rout over Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) and then added two stops in his final appearance of the year in the regular-season finale at West Virginia (11/29) ... one of his two tackles versus the Mountaineers went for a one-yard loss midway through the fourth quarter ... also had his final pass breakup of the season in the shutout win.
- Other pass breakup on the season came on the final play of the game against Kansas (10/11) ... had one tackle versus the Jayhawks as well as against Oregon State (9/13) and UCF (11/15).
- Credited with 113 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him a 71.5 overall grade ... rating included a 74.8 grade in coverage ... saw time on special teams as well with 55 total snaps between the punt, kickoff and punt return units.

2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in two games late in the season at Oklahoma State (11/23) and against Arkansas (12/27) in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl ... made a tackle in each game as part of Texas Tech's punt unit ... also saw time on punt returns at Oklahoma State ... scout team member.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended his hometown Pflugerville Weiss High School in the Austin area ... one of the highest-rated defensive backs to sign with the Red Raiders in recent memory.
- Helped lead Weiss to a 9-2 record his senior season and a playoff appearance after totaling 88 tackles, 5.0 tackles for loss and five forced fumbles ... described as a ball-hawk with nine interceptions his senior season alone, including one returned for a touchdown, to go with 10 pass breakups ... was the state's leader in interceptions midway through the season ... unanimous All-District 12-6A selection his senior season.
- Previously a second team All-District honoree as a junior in 2022 after recording 85 tackles, a tackle for loss, five interceptions and nine pass breakups.
- Four-year varsity letterwinner, seeing time as a wide receiver as a freshman before moving to the secondary a year later ... caught four passes for 120 yards and two touchdowns in his limited time on varsity as a freshman.
- Followed with a breakout season his sophomore year with 58 tackles, one tackle for loss, five interceptions and a forced fumble ... combined for 220 tackles, 17 interceptions and 21 pass breakups over his prep career.
- Dual-sport athlete that also competed for the Weiss track and field program ... competed in the Class 6A regional meet in both the 110 and 300-meter hurdles his final two years ... advanced to the regional meet also in the 4x200-meter relay as well as the long jump and triple jump as a sophomore as well.
- Received his first collegiate offer by the Texas Tech staff ... considered a four-star prospect by Rivals, 247Sports and On3 and a three-star recruit by ESPN ... top-100 recruit by On3, coming in at No. 82 overall and No. 7 among safeties nationally ... was a top-50 recruit in the state of Texas by On3, 247Sports and Rivals as well ... listed as high as No. 17 in Texas by On3 followed by No. 37 by Rivals and No. 42 by 247Sports ... was No. 20 among safeties nationally by Rivals and No. 26 overall by 247Sports ... part of the Rivals 300 at No. 227 overall among recruits in the 2024 class ... listed as the 16th-highest rated recruit to sign with Texas Tech since 247Sports launched in 2000.
- **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Arizona, Arizona State, Baylor, California, Colorado, Houston, Kansas, Kansas State, Minnesota, Ole Miss, Nebraska, SMU and TCU, among others.

PERSONAL

- Cai Peyton Morgan ... prefers to use Peyton as first name ... born in Austin, Texas ... calls Round Rock, Texas home ... parents are Brett Morgan and Chaka Price-Morgan ... has three siblings, Chase, Paige and Price.
- His mother previously played basketball collegiately at Murray State, while his father was a wide receiver at Spokane Falls College ... he and his older brother, Price, both joined the Red Raider football team in 2024 ... Price has since joined the Incarnate Word football team for the 2026 season ... his Godfather, Jerome Madison, played football for Missouri.
- Enjoys playing sand volleyball and playing video games outside of football.
- A leadership studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	2/0	12/0	14/0



Ansel NEDORE

OLB | 6-3 | 260 | Sr. | 4th Yr. | 2L
Round Rock, Texas | Round Rock HS
Career Games: 23 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (JUNIOR)

- Appeared in all 14 games as a junior as either a reserve on the defensive line or on special teams ... rotational player up front who saw defensive snaps in 11 games ... also a key member of Texas Tech's special teams units.
- Recorded two tackles on the season, including one for a sack ... notched the first sack of his career in the shutout win over Oklahoma State (10/25), resulting in a seven-yard loss ... sack came in the fourth quarter, eventually forcing another punt by the Cowboys ... previously had his lone quarterback hurry of the season in the second quarter ... only other tackle came in the win over BYU (11/8) later in the season.
- Credited with 70 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him six pressures ... recorded five of those total pressures during big 12 play ... added 79 snaps on special teams as a regular member of the punt coverage and field goal block units.

2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Made his Red Raider debut by appearing in nine games as a sophomore ... saw action as a reserve outside linebacker ... missed four games during middle of Big 12 play due to injury.
- Totaled six tackles on the season, which came over five different games ... recorded a season-high two stops in the win at Arizona (10/5) ... also had single-tackle performances against Abilene Christian (8/31), North Texas (9/14), Colorado (11/9) and at Oklahoma State (11/23).
- Credited with playing in 81 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus ... reached double digits for snaps in four different games - Abilene Christian (26), North Texas (14), West Virginia (13) and Arizona (11).

2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Did not see any game action as a freshman following a season-ending injury during preseason camp.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Round Rock High School in the Austin area ... explosive defensive lineman who helped lead Round Rock to a pair of nine-win seasons ... played every spot along the defensive line and occasionally at tight end during prep career.
- Selected to the final ballot for the Whataburger Super Team presented by Dave Campbell's Texas Football as a senior ... named the District 25-6A Defensive Lineman of the Year as a junior after being credited with 57 tackles, including 11.0 for a loss and one sack ... broke up four passes and had two fumble recoveries and one forced fumble that season.
- Member of the Round Rock track and field program, competing in the shot put and discus ... launched throws of 42-1 in the shot put and 109-4 in the discus as a junior.
- Tabbed a four-star prospect by On3.com and a three-star signee by the likes of 247Sports, Rivals and ESPN ... ranked 36th among defensive linemen nationally by On3 and as the No. 57 player in the state of Texas ... rated the No. 39 defensive tackle in the country by Rivals and at No. 43 by ESPN ... listed as the No. 53 prospect in the state of Texas by Dave Campbell's Texas Football.
- **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Baylor, Colorado, Houston, SMU, TCU, Texas and UTSA.

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HISTORY

RECORDS

TEXAS TECH

PERSONAL

- Ansel Tseh Nedore ... goes by the nickname "Ans" ... born in Cincinnati, Ohio, to parents Thomas and Brenda Kamanda.
- A marketing major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2023	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	0/0	9/0	14/0	23/0



Cord
NOLAN

LB | 6-0 | 220 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Bixby, Okla. | Bixby HS

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Bixby High School in his hometown of Bixby, Oklahoma, located southeast of Tulsa ... two-way player at the prep level, starring at linebacker and outside linebacker defensively and then as a running back and tight end ... joined the inside linebacker room upon his arrival at Texas Tech.
- Played for one of the top high school programs in the state of Oklahoma as Bixby won its fourth-consecutive Class 6A Division I title his senior year ... was part of five total state championships during prep career with four in football and one in baseball ... wrapped an undefeated 13-0 season his senior year with a 31-17 victory over Owasso in the state championship game ... marked the 11th-consecutive season Bixby had played for a state title.
- Tabbed the All-State Defensive Player of the Year as a senior by The Oklahoman after recording 87 tackles, 19.0 tackles for loss, 3.0 sacks and 13 hurries ... scored five times offensively with eight catches for 165 yards and four touchdowns to go along with five carries for 18 yards and another touchdown ... collected first team All-State honors by the Oklahoma Coaches Association following the season.
- Jumped on college radars as a junior in 2024 with 108 total tackles (77 solo), 17.0 tackles for loss, 5.0 sacks and an interception ... also recorded seven quarterback hurries en route to earning second team All-State accolades by the Oklahoma Coaches Association ... caught 35 passes for 522 yards and four touchdowns that season, while also rushing 12 times for 49 yards and another score.
- Experienced a breakout season as a sophomore with 23 catches for 632 yards and 10 touchdowns, averaging an impressive 27.5 yards per catch ... added 16 tackles, a sack, two interceptions, a forced fumble and fumble recovery defensively ... joined the varsity as only a freshman, posting six catches for 173 yards and a touchdown in 2022 to go along with 23 tackles, 5.0 tackles for loss, 2.0 sacks, a forced fumble and two fumble recoveries.
- Served as a team captain for Bixby during both his junior and senior seasons ... multi-sport athlete, competing in baseball and wrestling for Bixby as well ... part of Bixby's state championship team in 2023 as only a freshman.
- Consensus three-star recruit by the likes of ESPN, Rivals and 247Sports ... ranked as high as No. 44 among linebackers nationally by ESPN and No. 45 by 247Sports ... listed as the No. 9 overall recruit from the state of Oklahoma by 247Sports and in the top 25 by both Rivals and ESPN ... joined the Red Raiders in January 2026 as a mid-year enrollee ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Arizona State, Baylor, Iowa State, Kansas State and Oklahoma.

PERSONAL

- Cord Davis Nolan ... born in Tulsa, Oklahoma, to parents Wendell and Michelle Nolan ... has two siblings, Quinton and Connor.
- Hails from a family of collegiate athletes ... his grandfather, Ron Mercer, was a standout track and field athlete for the Red Raiders from 1967-71 and member of the football program ... was Texas Tech's leader in both the shot put and discus over three different seasons as a Red Raider ... cousin, Tyler Mercer, was a member of the Kansas offensive line from 2024-25 before transferring to Oklahoma State prior to the 2026 season ... father, meanwhile, played baseball at Northeastern Oklahoma State.
- Interests are hunting, cooking and fishing outside of football.
- A management at Texas Tech ... career goal is to become a firefighter, a profession he already has experience in after interning with the Bixby Fire Department his senior year of high school.



Felix
OJO

OL | 6-6 | 295 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Mansfield, Texas | Lake Ridge HS

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Mansfield Lake Ridge High School in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex ... one of the top high school prospects in the country and one of the most highly-rated players to sign with the Red Raiders in program history.
- Two-play player for the Eagles, starring on not only the offensive line but also at defensive end ... helped push Lake Ridge to a 9-3 record as a senior and an appearance in the Class 6A Division I area round ...
- Garnered High School All-America honors by the Maxwell Football Club following senior season as one of the top offensive linemen in the country ... received second team All-State honors by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA) and was one of only 40 athletes from across the state to be named to the Whataburger Super Team presented by Dave Campbell's Texas Football ... added All-America honors by the likes of Rivals/Dn3 and MaxPreps following a senior season with no sacks allowed and just four pressures given up the entire year.
- Two-time selection to play in the Navy All-American Bowl, one of the top all-star games in the country ... recognized following the 2026 game with the Anthony Muñoz Lineman of the Year Award, which is presented to the top high school lineman in the country ... invited to play in the Under Armour All-America Game prior to his senior season.
- Multi-sport athlete that also competed in basketball and track and field ... top performer in the discus, throwing further than 130 feet during prep career.
- Listed as a five-star prospect by both ESPN and 247Sports and a four-star signee by Rivals ... consensus top-300 player nationally by all three publications, ranking No. 17 overall by 247Sports, No. 28 by ESPN and No. 142 by Rivals ... consensus top-20 recruit in Texas as well, ranking as high as No. 2 by ESPN and then No. 3 by 247Sports ... two publications had him listed at No. 3 (247Sports) and No. 4 (ESPN) among offensive tackles nationally.
- Announced his decision to commit to the Red Raiders prior to his senior season with a July 4 press conference - on his birthday, better yet ... became the second-highest rated signee to ink with the Red Raiders in the internet-recruiting era at the time ... graduated in December 2025 in order to join the Red Raiders as a mid-year enrollee prior to the spring semester ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Alabama, Colorado, Georgia, Michigan, Ohio State, Oklahoma, Ole Miss, Texas and Utah.

PERSONAL

- Felix Ojo ... born in Mansfield, Texas, to parents Anthony and Itunu Ojo ... has four siblings, Isaiah, Phillips, Patrick, and Princeshalom.
- Third member of his immediate family to play collegiate football ... brother, Phillips, was a defensive lineman at Houston from 2024-25, while one of his other brothers, Patrick, played at Oklahoma State.
- A sport management major at Texas Tech.



Holden
PHILLIPS

QB | 6-1 | 205 | So. | 2nd Yr.
Lubbock, Texas | Frenship HS
Career Games: 1 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in only one game, which came in the shutout victory over Oklahoma State (10/25) ... was the third quarterback to enter versus the Cowboys, completing his lone pass attempt for eight yards while also rushing once for three yards.
- Scout team member ... named the offensive scout team player of the week following Texas Tech's win over Kent State.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Local product out of Frenship High School ... guided by head coach Jay Northcutt and helped steer a 10-2 campaign in 2024.
- Led the state (Division 6A) with 4,438 passing yards as a senior in 2024 in what was his only varsity season with significant time at quarterback ... waited behind future college players such as Donovan Smith (Texas Tech/Houston), Chad Pharies (Angelo State) and Hudson Hutcheson (Kansas State).
- Completed 261-of-349 pass attempts for 4,438 yards, 57 touchdowns and seven interceptions as a senior for the 10-2 Tigers ... those were the best marks in school history for completion percentage (74.8%) and passing touchdowns in a single

season ... named the 2024 Lubbock Avalanche-Journal's big-school football player of the year.

- Took advantage of his opportunity early, throwing for 508 yards, five touchdowns and no interceptions in the 2024 season opener, a 48-46 loss to state-ranked Trophy Club Nelson.
- A three-sport athlete as a standout on the baseball and basketball teams.
- Originally a college baseball commit for Angelo State that was set to graduate in May but altered to a commitment to the Red Raider football team in December ... graduated early, foregoing the remainder of the basketball season and upcoming baseball season ... joined the Red Raiders alongside Frenship teammate Leyton Stone, who he connected with for 70 passes for 1,488 yards and 29 touchdowns during the 2024 season.

PERSONAL

- Holden Phillips ... born and raised in Lubbock, Texas ... son of Ronald and Jamey Phillips ... has three brothers in Austin, Grant and Gavin.
- Both parents are multi-time graduates of Texas Tech, including with law degrees ... father has served in various roles at Texas Tech over a distinguished career, namely as Associate General Counsel and Special Assistant to the President ... mother is the General Counsel and Director of Corporate Affairs for South Plains Electric Cooperative locally ... his uncle, J Pete Laney, played basketball at ACU before transferring to Texas Tech where he roped.
- Enjoys golfing and cooking outside of football.
- A business management major at Texas Tech.



Corey PLATT JR.

LB | 6-1 | 215 | Sr. | 6th Yr. (1st at Tech)

Little Rock, Ark. | Little Rock Christian Academy | Tulane | Houston
Career Games: 28 / Career Starts: 1

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PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Comeback Player of the Year Semifinalist (2025, Sr.)

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Chose to spend his final collegiate season as a Red Raider following three years at Tulane and then the 2024-25 campaigns at fellow Big 12 member Houston ... reunites with Texas Tech defensive coordinator Shiel Wood, who was his defensive coordinator at Tulane in 2023 and then at Houston in 2024 ... will be a sixth-year senior in his final season of eligibility with the Red Raiders.
- Battled injuries throughout his career, presenting him with a sixth-year opportunity with the Red Raiders ... previously suffered a season-ending injury in the opener for Tulane in 2023 and then another one in preseason camp while at Houston in 2024 ... appeared in 28 games over his collegiate career with one start at linebacker prior to his arrival with the Red Raiders.
- Credited with 642 defensive snaps over his career by Pro Football Focus and an additional 211 snaps on special teams ... experience adds more depth to an already-talented Texas Tech linebacker room ... strong at point of attack with only seven missed tackles credited to him over his career over 91 opportunities.
- **2025 SEASON (FIFTH-YEAR SENIOR AT HOUSTON):** returned from back-to-back season ending injuries to put together his best collegiate season ... appeared in 12 of 13 games overall, missing only the season opener versus Stephen F. Austin ... compiled 40 tackles (20 solo), including 5.0 for a loss and 3.0 sacks, to go along with a forced fumble and two quarterback hurries ... one of the top return stories in college football, earning a selection as a semifinalist for the Comeback Player of the Year Award presented by the College Sports Communicators.
- Recorded at least one tackle in all 12 games played and had three or more stops in nine contests overall ... had at least a share of a tackle go for a loss in five games overall, including twice during Big 12 Conference play ...
- Best performance on the year was late in the Big 12 schedule at UCF (11/7) with five tackles, including a career-high 2.0 that went for a loss ... stopped a UCF screen attempt, resulting in a failed third down after a five-yard loss to force the Knights to punt ... added his first pass breakup of the season in the win ... got his hands on another pass later in the season against Baylor (11/25).
- Previously began the season with at least a share of a tackle for loss - all via sacks - in each of the first three games ... stretch began with four tackles and a sack at Rice (9/6) in the season opener and followed with three tackles and another sack in the Big 12 opener versus Colorado (9/12) ... wrapped that stretch with five stops, including a shared sack, at Oregon State (9/26) ... posted three tackles the next week in Houston's matchup with his new team in Texas Tech (10/4) ... made a season-high six tackles one week later in victory at Oklahoma State (10/11).

- Credited with a career-best 357 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him a 67.9 overall grade ... performance was boosted by an impressive 83.1 grade in rush defense and a 73.9 grade as a tackler ... was second on the team for rush defense grade among those with at least 200 defensive snaps ... listed with nine pressures, the most in his career ... part of Houston's kickoff coverage, punt return and field goal block units throughout the year.
- **2024 SEASON (SENIOR AT HOUSTON):** bad luck continued after suffering a season-ending injury during preseason camp that cost him his entire first season with the Cougars.
- **2023 SEASON (JUNIOR AT TULANE):** limited to only one game after suffering a season-ending injury in the opener versus South Alabama (9/2) ... disappointing result in his first career start after leading the team with a career-high 15 tackles in the season-opening win, which also marked the debut for the Green Wave with Wood as their coordinator ... was injured on a sack late in the third quarter that caused a turnover on downs and was just the second of his career ... entered the transfer portal following the season to join the Houston program.
- **2022 SEASON (SOPHOMORE AT TULANE):** appeared in all 13 games for the Green Wave during their historic 2022 season that ended with a win over USC in the Cotton Bowl ... key reserve a linebacker and one of Tulane's top special teams standouts.
- Recorded 25 tackles on the season (21 solo), the bulk of which came over the first six games of the year ... total included 2.0 tackles for loss and a sack, which came in a win over Alcorn State (9/10) ... notched other tackle for loss a few weeks later against Southern Miss (9/24) ... set season highs that year with four tackles at Houston (9/30) and at home versus SMU (11/17) late in the season.
- Part of two takeaways for a Tulane defense that ranked second in the American for turnovers gained ... recorded the lone interception of his career in the season opener versus UMass (9/3), which helped seal the victory midway through the fourth quarter ... later added a fumble recovery midway through the third quarter against SMU, which Tulane responded with a touchdown two plays later for a 42-7 lead.
- Credited with 205 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him an 80.2 overall grade ... was boosted by a 83.6 grade as a tackler, an 80.9 grade as a pass rusher and a 80.1 grade in coverage ... saw significant time on special teams with 132 snaps, per PFF, mainly on the kickoff return, kickoff coverage and punt return units ... was Tulane's third-highest rated special teams player with a 81.9 grade.
- **2021 SEASON (FRESHMAN AT TULANE):** appeared in only two games as a freshman against Morgan State (9/11) and at East Carolina (10/2) ... made his lone two tackles of the season - the first of his collegiate career - in the win over Morgan State.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Little Rock Christian Academy in his hometown of Little Rock, Arkansas ... helped push the school to its third-consecutive Class 5A state championship appearance under head coach Eric Cohu as a senior after starting on both sides of the ball ... part of a state championship team his sophomore year.
- True definition of an all-purpose player at the prep level with Little Rock using him as a running back, wide receiver, Wildcat quarterback, safety, outside linebacker or inside linebacker ... closed his career as one of the top players out of the state of Arkansas.
- Finalist as a senior for the Landers Award, which recognizes the top high school player in the state of Arkansas ... earned first team All-State honors that season after accounting for 24 touchdowns on offense - 14 through the air and then 10 rushing scores ... totaled 71 tackles, including 3.0 for a loss, to go along with four interceptions and three forced fumbles defensively.
- Earned first team All-State honors as a junior after making 154 tackles, including four sacks, to go along with four interceptions to push the Warriors to a 13-1 record ... previously a second team All-State selection as a sophomore.
- Considered a three-star prospect by both ESPN and 247Sports ... listed as the No. 6 player in the state of Arkansas for the 2021 class by 247Sports and No. 12 in the state by ESPN ... chose to attend Tulane out of high school after originally committing to Arkansas State ... also had offers from the likes of Kansas, North Texas and Louisiana Tech, among others.

PERSONAL

- Corey Platt Jr. ... born in Biloxi, Mississippi, to parents Corey Platt Sr. and Valerie Platt ... has one brother, Kendrick ... later moved to his hometown of Little Rock, Arkansas ... teammates nicknamed him, "Cep", short for triceps.
- Outside of football, hobbies include fishing and singing.
- Currently enrolled in non-degree-seeking post-baccalaureate studies.

PARTICIPATION	2021*	2022*	2023*	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	2/0	13/0	1/1	0/0	12/0	28/1

* at Tulane | * at Houston

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2021 (Tulane)	2	2	0	2	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
2022 (Tulane)	13	21	4	25	2.0	8	0	1	0	1
2023 (Tulane)	1	10	5	15	1.0	2	0	0	0	0
2024 (UH)	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
2025 (UH)	12	20	20	40	5.0	33	1	0	2	0
Totals	28	53	29	82	8.0	43	1	1	2	1

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ HOUSTON)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	PBU	INT
Stephen F. Austin	DNP									
at Rice	1	3	4		1.0-5	1.0-5	0	0	0	0
Colorado	1	2	3		1.0-12	1.0-12	0	0	0	0
at Oregon State	2	3	5		0.5-2	0.5-2	1	0	0	0
Texas Tech	3	0	3		0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Oklahoma State	3	3	6		0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Arizona	0	1	1		0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Arizona State	2	1	3		0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
West Virginia	2	2	4		0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at UCF	3	2	5		0.0-0	2.0-7	0	0	1	0
TCU	1	2	3		0.5-7	0.5-7	0	0	0	0
at Baylor	2	0	2		0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	1	0
vs. LSU	0	1	1		0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Totals		20	20	40	3.0-26	5.0-33	1	0	2	0



Brice POLLOCK
CB | 6-0 | 195 | Sr. | 4th Yr. (2nd at Tech) | LL
Snellville, Ga. | Shiloh HS | Mississippi State
Career Games: 37 / Career Starts: 29

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CAREER HONORS

- All-Big 12 First Team (2025, Jr.)
- Associated Press All-Big 12 First Team (2025, Jr.)
- PFF All-Big 12 Team (2025, Jr.)
- DCTF All-Texas College First Team (2025, Jr.)
- Second-Team Midseason DCTF All-Texas CFB Team (2025, Jr.)
- Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week - Sept. 15 (2025, Jr.)
- Shrine Bowl 1000 (2025, Jr.)

2025 SEASON (JUNIOR)

- Immediately bolstered Texas Tech's secondary in only his first year as a Red Raider as one of the top cornerbacks in the Big 12 ... vital part of a Red Raider defense that recorded the largest year-by-year improvement for both scoring (-23.0 points) and total yards allowed per game (-203.2) by any FBS program since 2000 ... was one of eight Red Raiders on the defensive side of the ball to start in all 14 games and one of 15 players on the team to do so.
- Ranked among the national leaders after picking off five passes to go along with 48 tackles (30 solo), including 4.0 that went for a loss ... contributed six takeaways altogether with a fumble recovery added to his interception total ... key part of a Red Raider defense that led the country in takeaways and drastically improved its passing yards per game allowed through the air ... led the team for both interceptions and with eight pass breakups.
- Became the first Red Raider with five or more interceptions in a season since Douglas Coleman III picked off eight passes during the 2019 campaign ... was the first Red Raider cornerback to do so since Adrian Frye in 2018 ... became the lone Red Raider since 2005 to combine for 40 tackles, 4.0 tackles for loss and five interceptions all in the same season ... one of only seven players in the FBS to record 40 tackles, 4.0 tackles for loss and five interceptions during the 2025 season and the lone one to do so from the Big 12 Conference.
- Posted at least one tackle in 13 of 14 games on the season with the lone exception being the opener versus Arkansas-Pine Bluff ... recorded three or more stops in eight different contests overall ... rose to the occasion in conference games, recording all of his tackles for loss against Big 12 foes and then three of his five interceptions ... broke up seven passes against Big 12 opponents with the lone other coming in the Capital One Orange Bowl.



▲ **BRICE POLLOCK (14)** intercepted two of his team-leading five interceptions during the 2025 season during the Red Raiders' 45-14 dismantling of Oregon State.

- Credited with 797 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, the most thus far in his collegiate career ... publication awarded him an 82.5 overall grade, which included an 82.5 grade in coverage, an 81.1 grade as a tackler and a 79.1 grade in rush defense ... listed with 69 total targets against him with only 35 of those resulting in a completion ... did not give up a touchdown pass all season, per PFF, and the receptions against him resulted in only 94 yards after catch.
- **AWARDS AND HONORS:** a first team All-Big 12 selection by the conference coaches and the Associated Press ... became the first Red Raider cornerback to earn first team All-Big 12 honors since Zech McPhearson in 2020 ... garnered All-Big 12 honors from Pro Football Focus, which uses its grading system in determining postseason honors ... was an All-Texas first team selection by Dave Campbell's Texas Football ... tabbed the Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week on Sept. 15 after picking off a pair of passes versus Oregon State ... recognized for his potential ability at the pro level prior to the season as part of the Shrine Bowl 1,000 list.
- **IN NCAA RANKINGS:** his five interceptions on the season finished tied for seventh in the FBS ... averaged 0.36 interceptions per game, which was tied for 26th in the country ... key part of a Red Raider secondary that ranked 26th as a team for passing yards allowed per game (190.1).
- **IN BIG 12 RANKINGS:** shared the conference high with five interceptions alongside Jamel Johnson of TCU and Evan Johnson of BYU ... his interceptions per game average was tied for third in the league.
- **SEASON HIGHLIGHTS:** Made his first tackle as a Red Raiders as part of two stops in the second game of the year versus Kent State (9/6) ... followed with one of his best performances of the year a week later against Oregon State (9/13), matching his career high with six tackles while picking off two passes ... became the first Red Raider at the time to record two interceptions in the same game since Dadrion Taylor-Demerson did so versus TCU in 2023 ... was the first Texas Tech cornerback to do so since Adrian Frye versus Lamar early in the 2018 campaign ... named the Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week for his efforts, marking the first conference weekly award of his career.
- Stepped in front of another pass a week later in the Big 12 opener at Utah (9/20) ... finished with six tackles in the win versus the Utes, including one that went for a one-yard loss, to go along with his interception late in the second quarter ... picked off Utah quarterback Devon Dampier with 2:11 remaining before halftime, setting up an eventual Stone Harrington 58-yard field goal for a 10-0 lead ... later teamed with Jacob Rodriguez to stop a screen pass on third down midway through the third quarter to force a Utah punt deep in its own territory after a one-yard loss.
- Later matched his season high with six tackles a few weeks later in a home win over Kansas (10/11) ... previously set a season high with two pass breakups a week prior at Houston (10/4) ... closed the month of October with five tackles and a pass breakup at Arizona State (10/18) and with one stop in the shutout victory over Oklahoma State (10/25).
- Played a vital role in Texas Tech's road win at Kansas State (11/1), recording five tackles, 2.0 tackles for loss, a fumble recovery, an interception and a pass breakup ... ended Kansas State's first drive of the game with an interception on the first play, negating a Wildcat interception on the previous drive ... fell on a Jacob Rodriguez forced fumble in the second quarter, giving the Red Raiders the ball in the red zone to set up an eventual Cameron Dickey touchdown run for a 9-7 lead at the time ... had stopped Kansas State for a three-yard loss on the previous play before the fumble recovery ... other tackle for loss stopped a fourth-down attempt by the Wildcats midway through the fourth quarter.

• Followed with two tackles and a pass breakup in the win over BYU (11/8) and then four stops against UCF (11/15) ... made his final interception of the season in the regular-season finale at West Virginia to go along with three interceptions ... interception came late in the second quarter after the Mountaineers had reached the red zone ... had an earlier interception overturned following replay ... previously combined with Jacob Rodriguez for a tackle for loss on West Virginia's opening drive to force a 3rd-and-13 and eventual punt to kick off the shutout victory.

• Key contributor in Texas Tech's second win over BYU (12/6) in the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship with five tackles and a quarterback hurries ... had a tackle for loss in the win, which came on BYU's opening drive of the second half and was followed by his lone quarterback hurry of the year ... closed the season with two tackles and a pass breakup in the Capital One Orange Bowl versus Oregon (1/1).

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

• Spent his first two seasons of collegiate career at Mississippi State ... previously was recruited by and played for Texas Tech cornerback coach Darcel McBath as a true freshman with the Bulldogs in 2023.

• Saw significant action both seasons, playing in a total of 23 career games while making 15 starts ... collected 72 tackles, 15 tackles for loss, 10 pass breakups, one forced fumble and one interception over two seasons for the Bulldogs ... led all MSU freshmen in tackles (24) in 2023 ... first career interception came at No. 5 Georgia in 2024 ... credited with 973 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus over his two seasons with the Bulldogs and an additional 156 snaps on special teams.

• **2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at MISSISSIPPI STATE):** started in all 12 games at cornerback as a sophomore ... recorded 48 tackles, 10 tackles for loss, one interception, one forced fumble and nine pass breakups on the season ... finished eighth on the team for tackles and was the team leader for pass breakups ... had a tackle in all 12 games and multiple stops in 11 of 12 contests overall.

• Credited with 720 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which led the team ... received a 68.6 overall grade for the season by the publication ... was targeted 43 times in the passing game with 23 of those resulting in completions (53.5 percent) ... utilized for an additional 82 snaps on special teams, mainly as part of the field goal block and punt return units.

• Combined to make 11 tackles during non-conference play with four stops versus Eastern Kentucky (8/31), a career-high six at Arizona State (9/7) and only one versus Toledo (9/14) ... added pass breakups against both Eastern Kentucky and Toledo as well ... pass breakup versus Toledo started a streak of four-consecutive contests of batting down a ball.

• Started SEC play with four tackles against Florida (9/21) followed by six at Texas (9/28) ... received an 82.0 grade by PFF as a tackler versus Texas, his highest in that category during the season ... finished with a 71.5 overall grade versus the Longhorns.

• Recorded his first career interception two weeks later at Georgia (10/12) to go along with four tackles ... interception came on Georgia's first drive of the game, giving the Bulldogs the ball near the red zone ... Mississippi State responded with a field goal to take an early 3-0 lead ... forced a fumble on Georgia's next drive that rolled out of bounds ... became the first Bulldog to record an interception and forced fumble in the same game since Collin Duncan did so on Nov. 7, 2020, against Vanderbilt ... added a pass breakup in the loss for the fourth-consecutive game as well.

• Followed with four tackles in back-to-back games against Texas A&M (10/19) and Arkansas (10/26) ... notched three tackles to go along with a season-high two pass breakups in the win over UMass (11/2) ... combined for four pass breakups over the final four games with one against both Missouri (11/23) and at Ole Miss (11/29) as well.

• Matched his career high with six tackles in the Egg Bowl versus Ole Miss ... previously had four tackles against Missouri and two stops earlier in the month at Tennessee (11/9) ... one of his two stops versus the Vols went for a three-yard loss, marking his lone tackle for loss of the season and the second of his career ... read a screen pass perfectly to drop Tennessee behind the line of scrimmage on third down midway through the third quarter.

• **2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN at MISSISSIPPI STATE):** appeared in 11 games while making three starts as only a true freshman ... recorded 24 tackles (13 solo) on the season to go along with one pass breakup ... led all Mississippi State freshmen in tackles ... earned his two starts late in SEC play at Auburn (10/28) and Texas A&M (11/11).

• In coverage for 130 snaps on the year, which ranked sixth among SEC freshmen according to Pro Football Focus ... earned a rush defensive grade of 77.3, which ranked fifth among SEC freshmen by PFF ... credited with making 253 defensive snaps on the season by the publication, while being targeted 15 times in the passing game with 10 being completions

• Recorded a season-high five tackles in three different games – versus Western

Michigan (10/7), Kentucky (11/4) and at Arkansas (10/21) ... performance versus Western Michigan represented his first extensive playing time on defense, playing 43 snaps at the wide corner position (53 total snaps) ... received his highest Pro Football Focus grade on the season at Arkansas, receiving an 80.6 overall as well as a 78.8 in coverage ... played a season-high 63 snaps versus the Razorbacks ... shared a tackle for loss against Kentucky, the first of his career.

• Followed with two tackles in his second career start at Texas A&M and then three a week later versus Southern Miss (11/18) ... previously began the season with one stop against both Southeastern Louisiana (9/2) and LSU (9/16).

HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Shiloh High School in Snellville, Ga. ... one of the top prospects out of the state of Georgia his senior year under head coach Tino Ierulli ... two-way player as both a defensive back and wide receiver.

• Totaled 61 tackles, 20 tackles for loss, a sack, two quarterback hurries, two interceptions and 11 pass breakups and a fumble recovery as a senior ... caught 11 passes for 196 yards and four receiving touchdowns on the offensive end, while also adding a 42-yard rush as a senior ... earned All-County recognition as a junior after recording 58 tackles, 12 pass breakups and four interceptions.

• Member of the track and field program during his prep days ... ran the first leg on the Class 6A state championship 4x100-meter relay team ... clocked personal-best 11.19 in the 100-meter dash and 23.03 in the 200-meter dash.

• Regarded as a four-star prospect by 247Sports and a three-star recruit by ESPN, Rivals and On3 ... ranked as high as No. 38 among cornerbacks nationally by 247Sports ... was No. 37 among recruits from the state of Georgia by the publication as well ... chose Mississippi State over similar offers from Pittsburgh, N.C. State, Michigan State, North Carolina, Georgia Tech, Penn State, Ole Miss, Wake Forest and Duke, among others.

PERSONAL

• Brice Gabriel Pollock ... son of Brandon and Bridget Pollock ... father played football at Duke (1993-95) and recorded five career interceptions.

• A leadership studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2023*	2024*	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	11/3	12/12	14/14	37/29

** at Mississippi State*

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Blkd	INT
2023 (MSU)	11	13	11	24	0.5	1	1	0	0	0	0
2024 (MSU)	12	24	24	48	1.0	3	9	1	0	0	1
2025 (TTU)	14	30	18	48	4.0	17	8	0	1	0	5
TOTALS	37	67	53	120	5.5	21	18	1	1	0	6

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	TFL-YDS	INT-YDS	FF	FR	PBU
Ark.-Pine Bluff	*	0	0	0	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Kent State	*	0	2	2	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Oregon State	*	2	4	6	0-0-0	2-0	0	0	0
at Utah	*	4	2	6	0-5-1	1-0	0	0	0
at Houston	*	0	1	1	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	2
Kansas	*	2	4	6	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	1
at Arizona State	*	4	1	5	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	1
Oklahoma State	*	1	0	1	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	0
at Kansas State	*	5	0	5	2-0-9	1-6	0	1	1
BYU	*	2	0	2	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	1
UCF	*	3	1	4	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	0
at West Virginia	*	2	1	3	0-5-1	1-0	0	0	1
vs. BYU	*	3	2	5	1-0-6	0-0	0	0	0
vs. Oregon	*	2	0	2	0-0-0	0-0	0	0	1
Totals		30	18	48	4-0-17	5-6	0	1	8

2024 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ MISSISSIPPI STATE)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	TFL-YDS	INT-YDS	FF	FR	PBU
E. Kentucky	*	0	4	4	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	1
at Arizona State	*	3	3	6	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Toledo	*	0	1	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	1
Florida	*	4	0	4	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	1
at Texas	*	4	2	6	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	1
at Georgia	*	4	0	4	0.0-0	1-0	0	0	1
Texas A&M	*	3	1	4	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Arkansas	*	0	4	4	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
UMass	*	1	2	3	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	2
at Tennessee	*	1	1	2	1.0-3	0-0	0	0	0
Missouri	*	1	3	4	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	1
at Ole Miss	*	3	3	6	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	1
Totals		24	24	48	1.0-3	1-0	0	0	9

2023 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ MISSISSIPPI STATE)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	TFL-YDS	INT-YDS	FF	FR	PBU
Southeastern La.		0	1	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Arizona		DNP							
LSU		1	0	1	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
at South Carolina		0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Alabama		0	2	2	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Western Michigan		3	2	5	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
at Arkansas		5	0	5	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	1
at Auburn	*	0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Kentucky		2	3	5	0.5-1	0-0	0	0	0
at Texas A&M	*	1	1	2	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Southern Miss.	*	1	2	3	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Ole Miss		0	0	0	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals		13	0	24	0.0-0	0-0	0	0	1



Jacob PONTON

OL | 6-8 | 315 | Jr. | 3rd Yr. | 1L
Dripping Springs, Texas | Dripping Springs HS
Career Games: 18 / Career Starts: 15

CAREER HONORS

- Honorable Mention All-Big 12 Selection (2025, R.Fr.)
- FWAA Freshman All-America Team (2025, R.Fr.)
- The Athletic Freshman All-America Team (2025, R.Fr.)

2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- First-year starter after winning the job at right tackle out of preseason camp, ultimately starting in all 14 games ... battled with Hunter Zambrano throughout spring practices and preseason camp for the right tackle spot ... youngest member of an offensive line that utilized the same starting five in every game.
- Credited with 942 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which ranked third on the team behind only center Sheridan Wilson (962) and right guard Davion Carter (949) ... vast majority of snaps came at right tackle - 926 to be exact ... moved over to left tackle briefly in each of the first two games of the season against Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) and Kent State (9/6).
- Ranked as Texas Tech's top run blocker along the offensive line by Pro Football Focus ... received a 73.8 grade as a run blocker, giving him a 69.2 overall offensive grade ... publication charged him with six sacks allowed on the year and 23 pressures over 496 pass-blocking opportunities for 97.1 efficiency rating.
- Part of a Red Raider offense that ranked seventh nationally in scoring at an impressive 39.4 points per game ... marked the Red Raiders' single-season scoring average since 2016 when Patrick Mahomes II was finishing his three-year career in Lubbock ... the Red Raiders were also 10th nationally for total offense at 461.4 yards per game behind a balanced attack that had Texas Tech ranked 15th nationally in passing and 33rd in rushing.
- AWARDS AND HONORS: an honorable mention All-Big 12 selection by the conference coaches ... also tabbed to the Freshman All-America Team compiled by The Athletic and the Football Writers Association of America (FWAA) ... became first Red Raider to be named to the FWAA Freshman All-America team since punter Austin McNamara in 2019 and the first Red Raider freshman to be honored by any organization since linebacker Ben Roberts in 2023 ... only the sixth Red Raider

to receive Freshman All-America accolades by the FWAA since the organization started presenting the award in 2011, joining the likes of defensive tackle Colby Whitlock (2007), wide receiver Michael Crabtree (2007), offensive lineman Le'Raven Clark (2012), defensive back Adrian Frye (2018) and McNamara (2019).

2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in four games overall as a true freshman with one start, which came in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl versus Arkansas (12/27) ... impressed as a scout team member early in the season.
- Made his collegiate debut in the second half of Texas Tech's rout of North Texas (9/14) ... graded out at 85.3 by Pro Football Focus over his eight offensive snaps against the Mean Green ... inserted at left tackle twice during Big 12 play against both Colorado (11/9) and West Virginia (11/30).
- Filled in as the starter at left tackle in the bowl game, playing 71 total snaps versus Arkansas ... one of three true freshman to start that game offensively, joining quarterback Will Hammond and running back J'Koby Williams ... allowed only one pressure - a quarterback hurry - over 36 pass blocking opportunities against the Razorbacks in a strong debut ... credited with 101 offensive snaps on the season by PFF.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Dripping Springs High School in the Austin area ... one of the top offensive line prospects in the country due to his size and athleticism ... played primarily at right tackle as a junior before moving to the left side his senior season.
- Helped push Dripping Springs to the Class 6A Division II regional finals each of his final two seasons ... the Tigers finished 11-3 overall, reaching the 11-win mark for only the fifth time in program history ... recognized on the All-District 26-6A first team each of his final two seasons.
- Received his first collegiate offer from the Texas Tech staff ... considered a four-star prospect by On3 and a three-star recruit by Rivals, ESPN and 247Sports ... listed as one of the nation's top offensive linemen by On3, ranking as high as No. 15 among offensive tackles nationally and No. 31 among prospects in the state of Texas ... publication also listed him at No. 176 among all recruits nationally.
- A top-100 recruit in Texas by both 247Sports and Rivals as well ... ranked No. 52 at offensive tackle by 247Sports and No. 97 overall among Texas recruits ... also No. 64 among offensive tackles in the country by Rivals as well as No. 98 among prospects in Texas ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Houston, Texas State and Tulsa.

PERSONAL

- Jacob Ponton ... son of Michael and Carri Ponton ... has three siblings.
- An interdisciplinary studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION 2024 2025 CAREER

GP/GS	4/1	14/14	18/15
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Kai POWELL

WR | 5-11 | 185 | Sr. | 4th Yr. (2nd at Tech)
Spring, Texas | Klein HS | Trinity
Career Games: 3 / Career Starts: 0

2025 SEASON (JUNIOR)

- Joined the program as a walk-on wide receiver prior to the season ... appeared in one game, making him collegiate debut in the win over Oklahoma State (10/25) ... scout team member ... recognized as the offensive scout team player of the week by the coaching staff a few weeks earlier following the win over Kansas (10/11).

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Klein High School in the greater Houston area ... recorded 34 receptions for 690 yards and eight touchdowns his senior season to earn second team All-District honors ... previously hauled in 38 catches for 790 yards and six touchdowns as a junior ... recognized for his work in the classroom as a two-time Academic All-State honoree.

PERSONAL

- Kai Powell ... born in Houston, Texas, to parents Michael Powell and Krista Schilling ... step parents are Jason Schilling and Sara Powell... has two siblings in Peyton and Jalen.
- His grandfather, Ollie E. Clark, played football and ran track at Texas State.
- Enjoys reading, attending his local church, bowling, hanging out with friends and volunteering outside of football.
- A management major at Texas Tech.



Maddox QUILLER

S | 6-0 | 205 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Pflugerville, Texas | Hendrickson HS

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Hendrickson High School in his hometown of Pflugerville, Texas ... two-way star at the prep level, starting not only in the secondary but offensively as a wide receiver and quarterback ... joined the Red Raider safety room upon his arrival to campus.
- Earned second team All-District 12-5A honors as a senior after recording 74 tackles (50 solo), a pair of interceptions, two forced fumbles, three pass breakups and a quarterback hurry ... garnered honorable mention All-District 12-5A accolades as a junior ... posted 54 tackles, three pass breakups and a pair of forced fumbles that season, all while tallying 320 all-purpose yards and accounting for a pair of touchdowns (one receiving, one passing) offensively.
- Four-year varsity letterwinner for Hendrickson ... tabbed a team captain prior to his senior season ... multi-sport athlete, competing in track and field as well as basketball for Hendrickson.
- Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, ESPN and 247Sports ... listed as the No. 76 safety in the 2026 class by ESPN ... graduated in December 2025 to join the Red Raiders as a mid-year enrollee ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Houston, Texas State and UTEP.

PERSONAL

- Maddox Quiller ... born in Austin, Texas, to parents Marques and Dymica Quiller ... has two siblings, Maci and Malachi ... sister Maci is a three-year letterwinner in basketball at Texas Southern entering her 2026-27 senior season.
- A management major at Texas Tech.



Marcus RAMON-EDWARDS

S | 6-3 | 225 | Sr. | 4th Yr. | 1L
Lubbock, Texas | Trinity Christian HS
Career Games: 15 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (JUNIOR)

- Appeared in 11 games as a junior, primarily on special teams ... missed the first two games of the season due to injury ... marked the most games played in a season of his still young career.
- Regular member of the punt return unit throughout the season ... also saw time on kickoff returns and kickoff coverage, giving him 85 total snaps on special teams ... role on special teams significantly increased from his 2024 redshirt freshman season.

2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Made his Red Raider debut by appearing in four games as a sophomore ... inserted on special teams in all four games, which came against North Texas (9/14), Arizona State (9/21), at Arizona (10/5) and versus West Virginia (11/30).
- Member of the punt return, kickoff coverage and field goal block units throughout the year ... inserted on defense in the second half of wins over North Texas and West Virginia ... credited with 21 combined defensive snaps between those two games.
- Credited with three tackles in the win over the Mountaineers, the first of his career ... recorded one of those tackles as part of his duties on kickoff coverage.

2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Did not see any game action as a freshman ... scout team member.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Local product out of Trinity Christian High School in Lubbock ... three-year letterwinner for the Lions as a standout at running back and in the secondary.
- A first team TAPPS All-State honoree at running back as a senior and a second team honoree in the secondary ... named the MVP on the All-TAPPS Division III District 1 postseason teams for both his junior and senior seasons ... was a first team honoree as both a running back and defensive back.
- Rushed for 1,778 yards and 27 touchdowns as a junior en route to leading the Lions to the TAPPS Division III state title game ... was the first state championship appearance in school history ... followed by pushing the Lions to the state semifinals his senior season after totaling 1,541 rushing yards and 31 touchdowns

... named to the Lone Star Varsity Super Team as a first team selection by the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal.

- Two-sport athlete as a standout for the Runnin' Lions basketball program ... known as one of the most athletic athletes on the court with an array of high-flying dunks during prep career ... helped push the Runnin' Lions to the state semifinals as a junior ... tabbed the district Defensive Player of the Year twice in his career ... two-time second team All-State honoree.
- Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of 247Sports, Rivals, ESPN and On3 ... listed as the No. 55 safety prospect in the county by On3 and the No. 115 player in the state of Texas ... ranked 83rd among safeties nationally by 247Sports.

PERSONAL

- Marcus Jeremyiah Ramon-Edwards ... born in Abilene, Texas, to parents Marcus and Teanequa Ramon ... oldest of three siblings - Javion and Jayden ... had a cousin who played football collegiately at Colorado State.
- A communication studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2023	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	0/0	4/0	11/0	15/0



Ben ROBERTS

LB | 6-3 | 245 | Sr. | 5th Yr. | 3L
Haslet, Texas | Eaton HS
Career Games: 42 / Career Starts: 39

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CAREER AWARDS & HONORS

- Big 12 Championship Game - Most Outstanding Player (2025, Sr.)
- All-Big 12 Third Team (2025, Sr.)
- Shrine Bowl 1000 (2025, Sr.)
- Big 12 Defensive Freshman of the Year (2023, R-Fr.)
- All-Big 12 honorable mention selection (2023, R-Fr.)
- Associated Press All-Big 12 second team (2023, R-Fr.)
- Second team Freshman All-American by The Athletic (2023, R-Fr.)

2026 SEASON (FIFTH-YEAR SENIOR)

- Already named a captain ahead of his fifth and final season as a Red Raider ... joined by center Sheridan Wilson as the first two Red Raiders to earn a "C" on their jersey during spring practices.
- Looking to become just the sixth Big 12 player since 2005 to record four different seasons with 80-plus tackles with a strong senior campaign ... one of only two FBS players the past three seasons to combine for at least 250 tackles, 15.0 tackles for loss, five forced fumbles and five interceptions, joining his former teammate in Jacob Rodriguez ... enters his final collegiate season as the FBS active leader with seven career forced fumbles.

2025 SEASON (SENIOR)

- Formed one of the nation's top linebacker duos alongside Jacob Rodriguez as a senior ... key catalyst behind a Red Raider defense that recorded the largest year-by-year improvement for both scoring (-23.0 points) and total yards allowed per game (-203.2) by any FBS program since 2000 ... was one of eight Red Raiders on the defensive side of the ball to start in all 14 games and one of 15 players on the team to do so.
- Finished as the Red Raiders' second-leading tackler, totaling 90 stops (44 solo) on the season, including 4.0 for a loss ... consistent part of one of the nation's top defenses, registering at least four tackles in all 14 games played and six or more stops in seven different contests ... had two different double-digit tackle performances on the year either in Big 12 play or the Capital One Orange Bowl ... likewise, all 4.0 of his tackles for loss were against conference foes or in the bowl game.
- Marked the third season already in his Red Raider career with 80-plus tackles ... joins only fellow linebacker Jordyn Brooks (2016-19) and safety Cody Davis (2009-12) as the only Red Raiders since 2005 with three or more seasons with at least 80 tackles ... one of only six players in the FBS to record 80-plus tackles each of the past three seasons, joining Aiden Fisher (James Madison/Indiana), Dalton Johnson (Arizona), Dillon Thieneman (Purdue/Oregon), Namdi Obiazor (TCU) and TJ Quinn (Louisville) ... of that group, only player returning for the 2026 season.
- Key part of a defense that led the nation in takeaways with four interceptions, two forced fumbles and a fumble recovery ... one of his two fumble recoveries were recovered by the Red Raiders, making him responsible for six total takeaways, all against Big 12 opponents or in the bowl game ... added three quarterback hurries on the year to go along with six pass breakups in pass coverage.

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▲ **BEN ROBERTS**, Texas Tech's active leader in consecutive starts (39), delivered one of the signature performances of his career in the Big 12 Championship Game with two second-half interceptions, helping lead the Red Raiders to the program's first conference title while earning Most Outstanding Player honors.

- Credited with 791 defensive snaps played by Pro Football Focus, the most thus far in his career ... publication awarded him an 86.3 overall grade, making him among the highest-rated linebackers in the country ... had the 10th-highest overall grade by PFF among linebackers with at least 400 snaps and was fourth among power conference linebackers, trailing only his teammate Jacob Rodriguez (93.0), Notre Dame's Kyngstonn Viliamu-Asa (89.7) and Ohio State's Sonny Styles (88.6) ... praised for his improvements in coverage, receiving a 90.5 grade in that area from PFF, which was fourth among linebackers nationally ... also had a 86.4 grade in rush defense and a 80.5 grade as a tackler.

- **AWARDS AND HONORS:** named the Most Outstanding Player of the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship following Texas Tech's victory over BYU ... an All-Big 12 third team honoree by the conference coaches ... member of the Shrine Bowl 1,000 list prior to the season.

- **IN NCAA RANKINGS:** ended the year tied for 23rd nationally for total interceptions (4) and tied for 47th in interceptions per game (0.29).

- **IN BIG 12 RANKINGS:** was tied for fourth in the conference for total interceptions (4), ninth for interceptions per game (0.29) and 11th for total tackles (90).

- **SEASON HIGHLIGHTS:** Combined for 14 tackles during non-conference play after making four stops against both Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) and Oregon State (9/13) and six against Kent State (9/6) ... win over Oregon State also featured two quarterback hurries and two pass breakups.

- Kicked off Big 12 play with six tackles in back-to-back contests at both Utah (9/20) and Houston (9/20) ... punched out his first forced fumble of the season in the win over the Utes, which was recovered near midfield by John Curry late in the first quarter ... recovered a fumble at Houston, ending the Cougars' opening drive after only one play ... the Red Raiders took a 6-0 lead the next drive after an Upton Bellenfant field goal ... broke up a third down pass on Houston's next drive to force a punt, leading to another Red Raider field goal.

- Second forced fumble of the season the next week in a win over Kansas (10/11), finishing with seven tackles and a pass breakup ... forced fumble came on Kansas' first play of the second quarter and was recovered by the Jayhawks but still led to a punt ... broke up a pass later in the third quarter, leading to another punt.

- Eclipsed double digits for tackles for the first time on the season and the ninth time overall at Arizona State (10/18), finishing with 13 stops, including one for a loss, and a quarterback hurry ... later set a career high with 16 tackles in the Capital One Orange Bowl versus Oregon (1/1) ... performance included a solo tackle for loss in the second quarter as well as an interception late in the third quarter, giving the Red Raiders the ball near midfield.

- Followed the Arizona State performance with five tackles in the shutout win over Oklahoma State (10/25) and three stops at Kansas State (11/1) ... had a tackle for loss in the win over the Wildcats and a late interception in the fourth quarter that led to Texas Tech's final touchdown ... returned interception 10 yards to the K-State 25-yard line, setting up a Caleb Douglas 19-yard touchdown pass from Behren Morton ... closed the regular season with six tackles in the first win over BYU (11/8), five stops, including one for a loss, against UCF (11/15) and four tackles in shutout victory at West Virginia (11/29).

- Named the Most Outstanding Player of the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship after posting five tackles, two second-half interceptions and a pass breakup in win over BYU (12/6) ... returned first interception nine yards, giving the Red Raiders the ball at the BYU 11-yard line, setting up a Cameron Dickey touchdown run a play later for a 21-7 lead with 3:21 remaining in the third quarter ... picked off Bear Bachmeier again early in the fourth quarter and then broke up a fourth down pass a possession later to help the Red Raiders seal a historic victory.

2024 SEASON (JUNIOR)

- Continued to be a mainstay at linebacker for the Red Raiders as only a junior ... started in all 13 games, joining fellow linebacker Jacob Rodriguez and defensive backs C.J. Baskerville and Maurion Horn as the only players on the defensive side of the ball to do so ... one of seven players overall on the team to start in all 13 games.

- Ranked second on the team with 83 tackles (38 solo), including 4.5 that went for a loss ... has combined for 190 tackles now through his first two seasons as a Red Raider, the third-highest total among Big 12 players during that span (2023-24) ... trails only the combined tackles totals of Baylor's Matt Jones (195) and Iowa State's Beau Freyler (191) over the past two seasons ... total ranks 12th overall nationally among players who have played both seasons at the power-four level.

- Tied for third on the team for tackles for loss, trailing only Rodriguez (10.5) and defensive back A.J. McCarty (6.5) ... shared the team high with three forced fumbles and was the overall team leader with six credited quarterback hurries ... had at least a share of the team high for tackles in four different games overall.

- Recorded at least two tackles in all 13 games and had five or more stops in 10 of those contests ... posted two double-digit performances to begin Big 12 play and finished with five or more tackles in seven of nine conference games overall ... combined to make 61 of his 83 tackles on the season during Big 12 play, which ranked second on the team behind only Rodriguez ... in fact, his 61 stops against league opponents topped the season totals on the team outside Rodriguez (127) and C.J. Baskerville (78).

- Credited with 657 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which ranked fourth on the team and second in the linebacker room, trailing only Rodriguez ... publication credited him with 18 pressures - five via quarterback hits and 13 on hurries ... also saw time on special teams with 120 snaps as a regular member of the field goal block unit ... inserted late in the season on kickoff coverage and occasionally throughout the year on kickoff returns, punt coverage and punt returns.

- **IN BIG 12 RANKINGS:** ended the season ranked 15th in the league for total tackles (83) and 16th for tackles per game (6.4) ... was tied for third in the league alongside Rodriguez with three forced fumbles.

- Recorded seven tackles, including one for a loss, and forced a fumble in each of the first two games of the season against Abilene Christian (8/31) and at Washington State (9/7) ... his forced fumble in overtime win over ACU came on the final play of the first quarter but was ultimately recovered by the Wildcats ... play resulted in a two-yard loss and tackle for loss ... fumble at Washington State, similarly, was recovered by the Cougars early in the first quarter ... blew up a Washington State rush attempt on its opening play of the second quarter, eventually leading to a 3-and-out drive.

- Closed non-conference play with three tackles in the win over North Texas (9/14) ... was one of only three times on the season to not finish with at least five tackles ... other two occurrences were in November with two stops versus Colorado (11/9) and four in the regular-season finale against West Virginia (11/30).

- Began conference play with consecutive double-digit performances with 11 stops in the win over Arizona State (9/210) and 12 the next week against Cincinnati (9/28) ... matched his career high with 2.0 tackles for loss in the win over Cincinnati, including one to start the third quarter that resulted in his third forced fumble of the season ... Jacob Rodriguez picked up the fumble, setting up a Texas Tech scoring drive to take a 31-24 lead ... big game against the Bearcats also included his first quarterback hurry of the season, which resulted in a pick-six interception by A.J. McCarty to extend Texas Tech's lead to 41-27 early in the fourth quarter.

- Posted at least five tackles in each of the first six conference games after following with five stops at Arizona (10/5), six against Baylor (10/19) and then seven in back-to-back weeks at TCU (10/26) and Iowa State (11/2) ... road win over the Cyclones also featured two quarterback hurries and a shared tackle for loss ... first of two hurries led to another McCarty interception in the second quarter.

- Added seven tackles again in the win at Oklahoma State (11/23) to go along with another quarterback hurry ... ended the season with five tackles and a quarterback hurry in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl versus Arkansas (12/27) ... hurry started an eventual 3-and-out drive for the Razorbacks early in the fourth quarter.

2023 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

• Ranked among the top first or second-year players in college football during first full season as a Red Raider ... started the season as a backup linebacker only to turn in one of the top seasons by a freshman in school history ... appeared in all 13 games with 12 starts after moving into starting rotation the second week of the season ... only game to not start was the season opener at Wyoming.

• Ended the year as the Red Raiders' leading tackler with 107 tackles (55 solo), including 6.5 for a loss and 0.5 sacks ... marked the most tackles by Red Raider freshman dating back to 1980 ... finished tied for second on the team in tackles for loss, trailing only Jaylon Hutchings (7.5) ... added two forced fumbles, an interception and three quarterback hurries.

• Shared the team high in tackles in six different games, including five times during Big 12 play ... reached double digits in tackles six times with five of those coming against Big 12 opponents.

• Credited with 775 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which ranked second on the team behind only Dadrion Taylor-Demerson (815) ... highly regarded by the publication, grading out at 79.6 in run defense and 85.8 as a tackler, which was second on the team in both categories behind only C.J. Baskerville ... had an overall grade of 68.5 for the season by the website ... created 12 pressures overall according to PFF's analysis.

• Among the Red Raiders' most active participants on special teams with 102 snaps on the season ... saw most time on field goal block and punt coverage units but also inserted for punt return and kickoffs sparingly ... had the most special teams snaps among Red Raiders considered to be regular starters.

• **AWARDS AND HONORS:** named the Big 12 Defensive Freshman of the Year by the conference coaches, becoming the first Red Raider in program history to win the award ... an honorable mention All-Big 12 selection as well by the conference coaches ... garnered second team All-Big 12 honors by the Associated Press ... tabbed a second team Freshman All-American by The Athletic ... marked the first time a Red Raider had collected Freshman All-America accolades since Austin McNamara in 2019 and the first time for a linebacker since Brian Duncan in 2007.

• **IN TEXAS TECH RECORD BOOK:** his 107 tackles on the season marked the most tackles by a Red Raider freshman dating back to 1980 ... only the second Red Raider freshman during that span with at least 100 tackles in a season, joining Donald Harris, who had 104 stops in 1987.

• **IN NCAA RANKINGS:** closed the year ranked 40th nationally in total tackles (107) and 45th in total tackles per game (8.2) ... shared the FBS high among freshmen for total tackles with Caleb Downs of Alabama ... ranked second nationally among freshmen in tackles per game, trailing only Dillon Thieneman of Purdue who averaged 8.8 stops a contest over 12 games.

• **IN BIG 12 RANKINGS:** led all freshmen in the league and ranked tied for third overall with 107 total tackles ... trailed only the totals of Nickolas Martin of Oklahoma State (140) and Jason Johnson of UCF (114) ... again led all freshmen and was tied for third in tackles per game (8.2) ... average bumped up to 9.2 tackles per game during Big 12 play, which ranked tied for third overall ... also tied for third in the league with 83 total stops against conference foes, trailing Nickolas (99) and Johnson (84).

• Came off the bench for one tackle in the season opener at Wyoming (9/2), which went for a one-yard loss in the fourth quarter ... marked the first tackle of his collegiate career.

• Made his first career start the next week against Oregon (9/9), finishing with 12 tackles, 1.5 tackles for loss, a shared sack and forced fumble (went out of bounds) ... marked his first career game with double-digit tackles and his first of six outings on the season ... closed non-conference play with four stops in the win over Tarleton State (9/16).

• Reached double-digits again in each of the first two Big 12 contests and four of the first five overall, finishing with 11 tackles at West Virginia (9/23) and 10 versus Houston (9/30) ... performance versus the Mountaineers included a shared tackle for loss and his first career interception, which came midway through the second quarter.

• Only game during that stretch without double-digit tackles was at Baylor (10/7), finishing with seven stops, including a career-high 2.0 for a loss ... first of those two TFLs resulted in a 16-yard loss and a fumble, which was recovered by Baylor ... other tackle for loss came on a 4th-and-1 attempt midway through the second quarter.

• Back in double digits each of the next two weeks with 11 stops versus Kansas State (10/14) and 10 at BYU (10/21) ... posted six tackles in each of the next two home games in wins over TCU (11/2) and UCF (11/18) ... had a nine-tackle performance sandwiched in between those two outings at Kansas (11/11) ... reached double digits for the final time in the regular-season finale at Texas (11/24), notching a career-high 13 stops to go along with a quarterback hurry.

• Instrumental in the Red Raiders victory over Cal (12/16) in the Radence

Technologies Independence Bowl thanks to seven tackles, including 1.5 for a loss ... stuffed Cal's second drive of the game with a key fourth down stop near the goal line ... added his second tackle for loss on Cal's first play of the second half alongside Charles Esters III.

2022 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

• Appeared in two games overall as a freshman, which came during Big 12 play in consecutive road trips to Kansas State (10/1) and Oklahoma State (10/8) ... utilized in both of those games as part of the kickoff return and kickoff coverage units ... scout team member.

HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Eaton High School in his hometown of Haslet, Texas ... moved to linebacker at the college level after playing safety in high school ... helped lead Eaton to its winningest season in school history as a junior as part of a 9-4 team ... season was capped by a run to the regional finals, which was the furthest in program history.

• Garnered first team All-District 4-6A honors as a senior after recording 74 tackles, 3.0 tackles for loss and 2.0 sacks over 10 games ... versatile contributor for Eaton, serving as the punt returner as well with 21 attempts for an average of 13.4 yards ... longest punt return came via a 52-yard explosive play midway through the season ... previously tabbed the preseason District 4-6A Defensive MVP by Dave Campbell's Texas Football prior to the season.

• Also a first team All-District 4-6A honoree again as a junior after logging 100 tackles and four interceptions ... was an honorable mention All-State selection that season by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA).

• One of the top prospects out of the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex in the 2022 class ... consensus three-star prospect by 247Sports, Rivals and ESPN ... listed as the No. 77 recruit in the DFW area and the No. 8 safety overall for the 2022 class by the Dallas Morning News ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Air Force, Army, Navy, North Texas, SMU, Tulsa, Utah State and Wyoming.

PERSONAL

• Ben Roberts ... son of John Roberts and Carrie Roberts ... has one older brother, Lowell.

• Hobbies include hunting, fishing, and golfing outside of football.

• Graduated with a bachelor's degree in kinesiology in the fall of 2025 and is currently enrolled in non-degree-seeking post-baccalaureate studies ... career goals following football include becoming a physical therapist.

PARTICIPATION	2022	2023	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	2/0	13/12	13/13	14/14	42/39

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	PD	FF	FR	Blkd	QBH
2022	2	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2023	13	55	52	107	6.5	30	0	2	0	0	3
2024	13	38	45	83	4.5	11	0	3	0	0	6
2025	14	44	46	90	4.0	8	6	2	1	0	3
Totals	42	137	143	280	15.0	49	6	7	1	0	12

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	INT	QBH
Ark-Pine Bluff	*	1	3	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Kent State	*	2	4	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Oregon State	*	1	3	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	2
at Utah	*	2	4	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0	0	0
at Houston	*	4	2	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1	0	0
Kansas	*	5	2	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0	0	0
at Arizona State	*	9	4	13	0.0-0	1.0-1	0	0	0	1
Oklahoma State	*	2	3	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Kansas State	*	3	0	3	0.0-0	1.0-2	0	0	1	0
BYU	*	1	5	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
UCF	*	3	2	5	0.0-0	1.0-3	0	0	0	0
at West Virginia	*	1	3	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. BYU	*	2	3	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	2	0
vs. Oregon	*	8	8	16	0.0-0	1.0-2	0	0	1	0
Totals		44	46	90	0.0-0	4.0-8	2	1	4	3

2024 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	INT	QBH
Abilene Christian	*	4	3	7	0.0-0	1.0-2	1	0	0	0
at Washington St.	*	7	0	7	0.0-0	1.0-2	1	0	0	0
North Texas	*	3	0	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Arizona State	*	2	9	11	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati	*	4	8	12	0.0-0	2.0-5	1	0	0	1
at Arizona	*	2	3	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	1
Baylor	*	3	3	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at TCU	*	3	4	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Iowa State	*	2	5	7	0.0-0	0.5-2	0	0	0	2
Colorado	*	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Oklahoma St.	*	3	4	7	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	1
West Virginia	*	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Arkansas	*	1	4	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	1
Totals		38	45	83	0.0-0	4.5-11	3	0	0	6

2023 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	INT	QBH
at Wyoming		0	1	1	0.0-0	0.5-0	0	0	0	0
Oregon	*	5	7	12	0.5-2	1.5-7	1	0	0	0
Tarleton State	*	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at West Virginia	*	4	7	11	0.0-0	0.5-1	0	0	1	0
Houston	*	8	2	10	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Baylor	*	5	2	7	0.0-0	2.0-19	1	0	0	0
Kansas State	*	5	6	11	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at BYU	*	5	5	10	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	1
TCU	*	3	3	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Kansas	*	8	1	9	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
UCF	*	2	4	6	0.0-0	0.5-2	0	0	0	0
at Texas	*	6	7	13	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	1
vs. California	*	2	5	7	0.0-0	1.5-3	0	0	0	1
Totals		55	52	107	0.5-2	6.5-30	2	0	1	3



Sean ROBINSON

TE | 6-5 | 225 | So. | 2nd Yr.
Greenbrae, Calif. | Cibolo Steele HS
Career Games: 1 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Appeared in only one game as a freshman, which came during non-conference play versus Kent State (9/6) ... scout team member ... recognized as the offensive scout team player of the week by the coaching staff following Texas Tech's victory over Oklahoma State (10/25).
- Transitioned from the tight ends room following the season to the defensive side of the ball to play outside linebacker.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Steele High School in Cibolo, Texas ... joins Red Raider greats such as current Dallas Cowboys offensive lineman Terence Steele and NFL wide receiver Antoine Wesley as former Steele products to sign with Texas Tech.
- Starred mainly at wide receiver for the Knights, who advanced to the Class 6A Division II regional finals his senior year ... two-way player that also contributed as a defensive end and outside linebacker as well ... previously helped push Steele to the state semifinals his junior season.
- Carried 20 times for 400 yards and five touchdowns his senior year while also catching three passes for 86 yards and two touchdowns ... added 26 tackles defensively, including 4.0 tackles for loss and 2.0 sacks, while adding 10 hurries and an interception en route to earning All-District 29-6A second team accolades.
- Previously earned honorable mention All-District 27-6A accolades as a sophomore and junior ... caught three passes for 64 yards as a junior and then four receptions for 119 yards and two touchdowns his sophomore year ... combined for 14 tackles those two seasons, including two for a loss ... selected to play in the 2025 San Antonio All-Star Game after his season year.
- Participated in track and field in high school, competing in the 100-meter (10.4), 200-meters (21.6) and the long jump (24 feet, 3 inches).
- Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of On3, 247Sports, ESPN and Rivals ... considered a top-100 recruit in the state of Texas by both 247Sports and ESPN ... ranked as the No. 38 wide receiver prospect in the country by both of those

publications ... listed as the No. 76 recruit in Texas by 247Sports and No. 88 by ESPN ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Arizona, Oklahoma State, UTSA, Houston, Nebraska, Tulane, North Texas and Texas State.

PERSONAL

- Sean Jacob Robinson ... goes by the nickname "Rambo" to friends and family ... born in Greenbrae, Calif., to parents Jermerial and Shannon Robinson ... has a brother, Jalen ... both parents served in the military ... his father was a Purple Heart recipient.
- Comes from an athletic family with numerous family members who played either collegiately or in the NFL such as T.J. McDonald (49ers/Cardinals), Tim McDonald Jr. (Rams/Dolphins), Tevin McDonald (Raiders), Clifton Smith Jr. (Buccaneers/Dolphins), Chevin Calloway (SMU, Arkansas), Omarr Smith (San Jose State) ... also related to NBA legend and former national champion at Indiana, Isiah Thomas.
- A nutrition and dietetics major at Texas Tech.



Jordan ROGERS

S | 5-10 | 180 | Sr. | 6th Yr.
Bellmead, Texas | La Vega HS | Pittsburg State (Kan.)
Career Games: 38 / Career Starts: 24

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PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- A Division II All-American safety pickup from the transfer portal out of Pittsburg State (Pittsburg, Kansas) in the summer of 2026 ... granted a waiver, earning a sixth season of college football for the 2026 campaign ... elected to use it to return to his home state and play for the Red Raiders ... a three-time All-MIAA (Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association) honoree, earning third team honors in 2023 before earning back-to-back first team accolades in 2024 and 2025.
- **2025 SEASON (AT PITTSBURG STATE):** finished with 85 tackles, 1.5 sacks, five interceptions, five pass breakups and four forced fumbles ... helped lead the Gorillas to a 10-3 record and a MIAA co-championship ... started all 13 games.
- **AWARDS AND HONORS:** recognized as a first team Division II All-American by several organizations, including the AFCA, the Associated Press, the Division II Conference Commissioners Association (D2CCA), the Walter Camp Foundation and the Don Hansen Committee ... was a first team All-MIAA honoree for the second-straight season.
- **2024 SEASON (AT PITTSBURG STATE):** started all 11 games for the Gorillas, totaling 42 tackles (24 solo), including 3.0 for a loss and 2.0 sacks ... picked off our passes from his spot in the secondary and also broke up four passes to earn first team All-MIAA honors ... posted a career-best eight tackles, an interception and a forced fumble versus Harding in the NCAA-II playoffs (11/23).
- **2023 SEASON (AT PITTSBURG STATE):** saw action in 12 games, finishing with 35 tackles (26 solo), 6.0 tackles for loss and 2.0 sacks ... recorded an MIAA-leading six interceptions and five pass breakups, including one that was returned 38 yards for a touchdown at Northeastern State (9/30).
- **2022 SEASON (AT PITTSBURG STATE):** appeared in two games before an injury ended his season ... would later be granted a medical redshirt for a sixth season.
- **2021 SEASON (AT PITTSBURG STATE):** did not see any action as a freshman.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Waco La Vega High School near his hometown of Bellmead, Texas ... helped La Vega compile a 23-5 combined record over his final two prep years ... part of a La Vegas program that advanced to the Class 4A regional semifinals his senior year before falling to eventual state champion Argyle ... member of La Vega's state championship team during his sophomore season and state finalist team his junior year.
- Garnered District 5-4A Offensive MVP honors as a senior after transitioning to quarterback ... tabbed as a second team District 5-4A selection as a punt returner that same season ... previously a District 5-4A first team recipient on defense as a junior at outside linebacker.
- Two-time All-State selection by the Texas Sports Writers Association's (TSWA) ... earned first team honors as an all-purpose player his senior season ... previously garnered first team accolades his junior year while playing outside linebacker.

PERSONAL

- Jordan Rogers ... teammates call him "J-Rog" ... born and raised in Bellmead, Texas ... son of Frederick Rogers Sr. and Lakesha Gray-Rogers ... has 11 siblings - five brothers and six sisters.
- Owns horses he rides back home in Bellmead, including one named Cadillac because "she rides smooth."
- Earned a bachelor's degree in general studies from Pittsburg State in spring 2026 ... enrolled in non-degree-seeking post-baccalaureate studies at Texas Tech.



Austin ROMAINE

LB | 6-2 | 240 | Sr. | 4th Yr. (1st at Tech)
Hillsboro, Mo. | Hillsboro HS | Kansas State
Career Games: 34 / Career Starts: 26

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CAREER HONORS

- All-Big 12 Second Team (2025, Jr.)
- Bronko Nagurski Award Watch List (2025, Jr.)
- Chuck Bednarik Award Watch List (2025, Jr.)
- Butkus Award Watch List (2025, Jr.)
- All-Big 12 Second Team (2024, So.)
- Associated Press All-Big 12 Second Team (2024, So.)
- College Sports Communicators Academic All-District (2024, So.)
- Two-time Academic All-Big 12 selection (2024-25)
- All-Big 12 Honorable Mention (2023, Fr.)

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Bolstered Texas Tech's linebacker room after joining Red Raiders following three years at fellow Big 12 member Kansas State ... a three-time All-Big 12 selection with the Wildcats with 34 career games played and 26 starts ... will have two seasons of eligibility remaining as a Red Raider following the passing of the NCAA's 5-for-5 rule.
- Compiled 184 tackles (110 solo) over his three seasons in Manhattan, including 17.5 that went for a loss and 3.5 sacks ... recorded at least 60 tackles each of the past two seasons, including a 2025 campaign that was cut short due to injury ... able to create takeaways with three forced fumbles over his career, a fumble recovery and an interception ... has six double-digit tackle performances in his career prior to arriving at Texas Tech.
- Arrived at Texas Tech with significant experience with 1,458 defensive snaps over the past three years, per Pro Football Focus ... one of the more highly-graded linebackers in college football the past two seasons ... received at least a 75.0 overall defensive grade or higher each of the past two seasons ... able to disrupt the backfield with 44 quarterback pressures overall.
- Considered one of the top players to enter the NCAA Transfer Portal following the 2025 season ... listed as the No. 34 overall transfer in the portal by 247Sports and second overall among inside linebackers ... tabbed the No. 42 overall transfer by The Athletic and fifth overall among inside linebackers ... highest ranking came from On3 as the top-rated inside linebacker and at No. 18 overall, helping give the Red Raiders one of the nation's top transfer classes.
- 2025 SEASON (JUNIOR at KANSAS STATE): collected All-Big 12 second team honors for a second-consecutive season despite having his year cut short due to injury ... limited to only nine games played - all starts - after suffering a season-ending injury against his new team in Texas Tech ... was a preseason candidate for the Bronko Nagurski Award, the Chuck Bednarik Award and the Butkus Award.
- Ended his season with 66 tackles (41 solo), including 7.0 for a loss and a shared sack, while adding an interception, fumble recovery and two pass breakups ... recorded 10 or more tackles in three different games and had at least four stops in all nine contests ... notched at least a share of a tackle for loss in five of those games.
- Best performance of the year likely came against the Red Raiders (11/1) with a season-high 11 tackles, a shared sack and an interception ... picked off the Red Raiders on the first drive of the game, which was followed a play later by a Brice Pollock interception to give the ball back to Texas Tech ... shared a sack later in the second quarter on a 2nd-and-goal attempt that ultimately forced the Red Raiders into a Stone Harrington field goal.
- Previously began the season with eight tackles in the opener versus Iowa State (8/23) before hitting double digits in back-to-back games with 10 stops versus both North Dakota (8/30) and Army (9/6) ... recorded 1.5 tackles for loss against North Dakota and then 1.0 against Army ... came close to double digits again with nine stops in a Friday night loss at Arizona (9/12).
- Credited with playing in 517 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus despite missing the final three games of the season ... publication awarded him a 76.5 overall defensive grade, which ranked sixth in the Big 12 among inside linebackers with at least 400 snaps ... had an 80.5 grade in rush defense, which was seventh in the league among the same group.
- 2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at KANSAS STATE): emerged as one of the Big 12's top linebackers as a sophomore, appearing in all 13 games for the Wildcats while making 12 starts ... earned All-Big 12 second team honors by both the Associated Press and conference coaches after leading the Wildcats with 96 tackles to go along with 7.5 tackles for loss, 2.0 sacks, three forced fumbles and two pass breakups.

- Recorded the most tackles in a season by a Wildcat since Jayd Kirby had 99 during the 2017 campaign ... had at least five tackles in 11 games and reached double digits in three different contests ... made at least one stop behind the line of scrimmage in six different games as well.
- Set a career-high with 12 tackles in three different games, all in Big 12 road games at West Virginia (10/19), Houston (11/2) and Iowa State (11/30) ... performance versus Houston featured a career-high 2.5 tackles for loss, including one that stopped a fourth-down attempt midway through the fourth quarter ... his 12 tackles at West Virginia earlier were the most by a Wildcat in a single game since Daniel Green had 13 at Baylor in 2020.
- Created takeaways in key moments with two of his forced fumbles leading directly to game-winning scores ... one was returned 60 yards for a touchdown at Tulane (9/7) midway through the fourth quarter to give the Wildcats a seven-point lead ... later punched out a key fumble against Kansas (10/26) that set up the Wildcats in plus territory for a 51-yard field goal with 1:42 remaining in regulation ... added a career-high 2.0 sacks in the win over Tulane, including the one with the forced fumble that stripped Darian Mensah near the red zone.
- Came close to reaching double digits in several other contests, finishing with nine stops at BYU (9/21), eight at Tulane and seven versus Arizona (9/13), Oklahoma State (9/28) and in the Rate Bowl against Rutgers (12/26) ... ended the season ranked fifth in the Big 12 for forced fumbles (3) and ninth for total tackles (96).
- The second-highest rated inside linebacker in college football that season after receiving a 90.8 overall grade by Pro Football Focus ... trailed only the 91.9 grade by Buffalo's Shaun Dolac ... played in 621 defensive snaps, per the publication, creating 22 pressures in the process ... ranked third among inside linebackers nationally with a 90.7 grade in rush defense, trailing only Michigan State's Jordan Turner (92.2) and Oklahoma's Danny Stutsman (90.9).
- 2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN at KANSAS STATE): immediately became a key contributor for the Wildcats as a true freshman, appearing in 12 games overall with five starts ... his five starts were the most by a K-State true freshman defender since cornerback Duke Shelley started seven games in 2015 and the most by a Wildcat true freshman linebacker since at least 1988.
- Earned votes from the league's head coaches for the Big 12 Defensive Freshman of the Year Award following strong debut season ... totaled 22 tackles (15 solo) on the year, including 3.0 for a loss and a solo sack ... credited with playing in 320 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus with an additional 64 coming on special teams as a member of the kickoff coverage, punt return, field goal block and punt return units during various parts of the season.
- Made his first career start in the Big 12 opener against UCF (9/23), becoming K-State's first true freshman to start at linebacker since Tre Walker in 2010 and the first in a home game since Reggie Black in 1989 ... tallied three tackles versus the Knights, including his first career one for a loss ... had previously notched three stops just two weeks before against Troy (9/9), his first tackles at the collegiate level.
- The win over UCF kicked off three-consecutive games with at least a tackle for loss ... followed with a season-high six tackles at Oklahoma State (10/6) and then four stops at Texas Tech (10/14), which included his first career sack ... got to Behren Morton on the first play of the second quarter for a three-yard sack ... combined for six tackles the rest of the season with two stops against Houston (10/28), at Kansas (11/18) and in the Pop-Tarts Bowl win versus N.C. State (12/28).

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Hillsboro High School in his hometown of Hillsboro, Missouri ... two-way player, starring not only at linebacker but also at running back ... ended his prep career as one of the best athletes in the state of Missouri before signing with Kansas State.
- Earned first team All-State honors as both a junior and senior from the Missouri Football Coaches Association ... selected as the District 1-4A Most Valuable Player in 2022 after recording 117 tackles and seven sacks defensively en route to leading Hillsboro to the state quarterfinal round of the Class 4 playoffs and a 10-2 record ... previously helped push Hillsboro to the second round of the playoffs his junior year as part of a 9-2 record.
- Finished with 100 tackles as a junior in 2021, including 22.0 for a loss and 8.0 sacks ... play as a junior pushed him onto the recruiting radar, more as a defensive prospect even with gawky offensive numbers ... totaled 3,196 rushing yards and 45 touchdowns over his prep career as one of the state's top rushers annually.
- Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, On3, ESPN and 247Sports ... ranked as high as No. 49 among linebackers nationally by ESPN ... was the No. 27 recruit from the state of Missouri by ESPN and No. 28 overall by both 247Sports and Rivals ... chose to attend Kansas State over offers from the likes of Air Force, New Mexico State, Ohio, Rice, Tulane, Columbia and Harvard, among others.

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PERSONAL

• Austin Romaine (roe-MANE) ... born in Hillsboro, Missouri, to parents Jason Romaine and Alexia Romaine ... has three siblings, Madison, Caleigh and Anthony.
• An applied personal finance major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2023	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	12/5	13/12	9/9	34/26

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	FF	FR	Blkd	PBU	INT
2023 (KSLU)	12	15	7	22	3.0	5	0	0	0	0	0
2024 (KSLU)	13	54	42	96	7.5	32	3	0	0	2	0
2025 (KSLU)	9	41	25	66	7.0	32	0	1	0	2	1
Totals	34	110	74	184	17.5	69	3	1	0	4	1

SACKS	G	UA	A	Total	Yds
2023 (KSLU)	12	1	0	1.0	3
2024 (KSLU)	13	2	0	2.0	18
2025 (KSLU)	9	0	1	0.5	5
Totals	34	3	1	3.5	26

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ KANSAS STATE)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	PBU	INT
vs. Iowa State	*	4	4	8	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1	1	0
North Dakota	*	7	3	10	0.0-0	1.5-4	0	0	0	0
Army	*	8	2	10	0.0-0	1.0-3	0	0	0	0
at Arizona	*	4	5	9	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
UCF	*	3	1	4	0.0-0	1.0-5	0	0	1	0
at Baylor	*	4	0	4	0.0-0	1.0-11	0	0	0	0
TCU	*	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Kansas	*	2	4	6	0.0-0	2.0-4	0	0	0	0
Texas Tech	*	7	4	11	0.5-5	0.5-5	0	0	0	1
at Oklahoma State	DNP-injured									
at Utah	DNP-injured									
Colorado	DNP-injured									
Totals		41	25	66	0.5-5	7.0-32	0	1	2	1

2024 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ KANSAS STATE)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	PBU	INT
UT Martin	*	2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Tulane	*	6	2	8	2.0-18	2.0-18	1	0	0	0
Arizona	*	6	1	7	0.0-0	1.0-3	0	0	0	0
at BYU	*	3	6	9	0.0-0	0.5-0	0	0	0	0
Oklahoma State	*	2	5	7	0.0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0
at Colorado		5	0	5	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at West Virginia	*	4	8	12	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Kansas	*	5	1	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0	0	0
at Houson	*	5	7	12	0.0-0	2.5-4	0	0	0	0
Arizona State	*	1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0	1	0
Cincinnati	*	4	2	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Iowa State	*	7	5	12	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	1	0
vs. Rutgers	*	4	3	7	0.0-0	1.0-6	0	0	0	0
Totals	54	42	96	96	2.0-18	7.5-32	3	0	2	0

2023 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ KANSAS STATE)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	PBU	INT
Southeast Mo. St.		0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Troy		2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Missouri		0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
UCF	*	3	0	3	0.0-0	1.0-2	0	0	0	0
at Oklahoma St.	*	2	4	6	0.0-0	1.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Texas Tech	*	3	1	4	1.0-3	1.0-3	0	0	0	0
TCU	DNP									
Houston	*	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Texas		0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Baylor		0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Kansas	*	2	0	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Iowa State		0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. NC State		1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Totals		15	7	22	1.0-3	3.0-5	0	0	0	0



Ashton ROWDEN

RB | 5-11 | 205 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Texarkana, Texas | New Boston HS

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended New Boston High School ... one of the top two-way players in the state, lining up as not only a running back during his career but also at wide receiver and then at safety, linebacker and defensive end defensively ... joined the Red Raider running back room upon his arrival to campus.
- Helped push New Boston to the Class 3A Division II playoffs as both a junior and senior ... limited to only seven games as a senior but still racked up 955 all-purpose yards and 13 touchdowns on only 104 carries ... previously exploded on the recruiting map with 1,700 yards and 22 touchdowns as a junior.
- Tabbed the District 10-3A Division II Offensive Most Outstanding Player following both his sophomore and junior seasons ... shared Co-Offensive Newcomer of the Year honors for District 10-3A his sophomore year as well after rushing for 1,337 yards and 14 touchdowns.
- Multi-sport athlete as a standout in track and field similar to many other Texas Tech signees under Joey McGuire ... rare athlete who is able to compete in the sprints while also throwing the shot put ... also a member of the New Boston basketball program during prep career.
- Listed as a four-star prospect by both Rivals and ESPN and then a three-star recruit by 247Sports ... ranked as high as No. 19 among running backs nationally by ESPN and No. 21 by Rivals ... one of the top players in the state of Texas, ranking No. 37 among Lone Star State recruits for the 2026 class by ESPN and No. 39 by Rivals.
- Committed to Texas Tech on July 3, 2025, and joined the program as a mid-year enrollee in January 2026 ... CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER: Houston, Minnesota, TCU, Arkansas, Kansas State and others.

PERSONAL

- Ashton Rowden ... prefers to go by the nickname "Ace" with family and friends ... born in Texarkana, Texas, to parents Blake Rowden and Jasmine Galbert ... one of four siblings, Xavier and Jayla Rowden and Nevaeh and Xander Galbert.
- Second generation college athlete as father previously played football at Stephen F. Austin.
- A pre-business major at Texas Tech.



Howard SAMPSON

OL | 6-8 | 330 | Sr. | 5th Yr. (2nd at Tech) | 1L
Houston, Texas | Humble HS | North Texas | North Carolina
Career Games: 30 / Career Starts: 26

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CAREER HONORS

- All-Big 12 Third Team (2025, Sr.)
- PFF All-Big 12 Team (2025, Sr.)
- DCTF All-Texas College First Team (2025, Sr.)
- Bruce Feldman's College Football Freaks List (No. 80) (2025, Sr.)
- Shrine Bowl 1000 (2025, Sr.)
- All-ACC Honorable Mention (2024, Jr.)

2025 SEASON (SENIOR)

- An immediate impact up front, bolstering Texas Tech's offensive line at left tackle ... part of an offensive line that utilized the same starting five in all 14 games on the year ... one of seven Red Raiders on the offensive side of the ball to start in all 14 games and one of 15 players on the team to do so.
- Received the highest overall offensive grade of any Texas Tech starting offensive lineman at 72.3 by Pro Football Focus ... overall grade was boosted by an 82.3 grade as a pass blocker, which ranked third on the team behind only center Sheridan Wilson (90.9) and right guard Davion Carter (84.4) ... had a 70.5 grade as a run blocker as well by PFF ... marked the highest PFF grades of his career in all three areas.
- Allowed four sacks on the season and 14 pressures from his left tackle spot over 479 pass-blocking opportunities ... marked the fewest sacks and pressures surrendered since becoming a starter at North Carolina in 2024 ... all four sacks given up came against either a Big 12 opponent or in the Capital One Orange Bowl versus Oregon (1/1).
- Credited with 926 offensive snaps by PFF, which ranked fourth on the team ... all but one snap came at left tackle, giving him more than 1,000 snaps at the

position entering his senior season in 2026 ... marked the most snaps in a single season of his career.

- Key addition to a Red Raider offense that ranked seventh nationally in scoring at an impressive 39.4 points per game ... marked the Red Raiders' single-season scoring average since 2016 when Patrick Mahomes II was finishing his three-year career in Lubbock ... the Red Raiders were also 10th nationally for total offense at 461.4 yards per game behind a balanced attack that had Texas Tech ranked 15th nationally in passing and 33rd in rushing.
- **AWARDS AND HONORS:** an All-Big 12 third team selection following the season by the conference coaches ... recognized on the All-Big 12 Team by Pro Football Focus, which uses its grading system in determining awards ... tabbed to the All-Texas first team by Dave Campbell's Texas Football ... recognized for his potential ability at the pro level prior to the season as part of the Shrine Bowl 1,000 list.

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Arrived at Texas Tech after playing two seasons at North Texas (2022-23) and then the 2024 campaign for North Carolina ... played in four games at UNT ... in sophomore season at North Carolina, started all 12 games for the Tar Heels at left tackle, making him one of the top offensive line targets in the transfer portal.
- Credited with 911 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus between his time at UNT and North Carolina ... bulk of those snaps - 824 in fact - came as a sophomore in 2024 ... combined to allow only seven sacks in 463 pass-blocking opportunities over his career.
- **2024 SEASON (JUNIOR at NORTH CAROLINA):** tabbed an honorable mention All-ACC selection by the conference coaches in its postseason awards ... started all 12 games at left tackle before entering the transfer portal prior to the Tar Heels' bowl game ... logged over 800 snaps according to Pro Football Focus ... received a 70.3 overall grade by the publication and a 73.3 grade as a pass blocker ... surrendered five sacks over 423 opportunities ... blocked for Omarion Hampton, who ranked second in the FBS in rushing yardage ... made first career start on Aug. 29 at Minnesota.
- **2023 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at NORTH TEXAS):** played in two games as a sophomore with the Mean Green ... saw action in each of the final two games of the season which was at Tulsa (11/18) and at home against UAB (11/25) ... combined to play in 83 snaps over those two games, all at left tackle.
- **2022 SEASON (FRESHMAN at NORTH TEXAS):** played in two games as a true freshman with the Mean Green ... made collegiate debut against Texas Southern (9/10) and also saw snaps later in the season against FIU (11/5).

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Humble High School just north of Houston ... named a second team All-District selection as a senior ... helped Humble to 11 wins and an appearance in the regional semifinals of the Class 6A Division II playoffs his sophomore season.
- Listed as a three-star prospect by 247Sports for the 2022 class ... overlooked recruit who ranked 228th in the state and at No. 172 among offensive tackles nationally by the publication ... chose North Texas out of high school over offers from Grambling, Texas Southern and Texas State.

PERSONAL

- Howard Sampson III ... son of Renetta and Howard Sampson II.
- Earned his bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary studies from Texas Tech during spring 2026 commencement exercises ... enrolled in post-baccalaureate studies for senior season.

PARTICIPATION	2022*	2023*	2024*	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	2/0	2/0	12/12	14/14	30/26

* at North Texas | * at North Carolina



▲ **HOWARD SAMPSON** boasts likely one of the largest wing-spans in college football, sitting at 6-8 as a staple for the Red Raiders at left tackle.



Daniel SILL

OL | 6-5 | 310 | Sr. | 4th Yr. | 1L
College Station, Texas | A&M Consolidated HS
Career Games: 15 / Career Starts: 0

2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Saw action in all 14 games as a junior either as a reserve offensive lineman or via special teams ... entered the season as the primary backup to Davion Carter at right guard following a strong preseason camp ... was the backup to Jacob Ponton at right tackle by the end of the season.
- Credited with 114 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus after appearing on offense in seven different games ... allowed only one pressure over 34 pass-blocking opportunities according to PFF, which awarded him a 72.3 overall grade and a 73.1 grade in run blocking ... rotated between the interior and tackle positions, playing six snaps at left guard, 24 at right guard and 83 at right tackle during the season.
- Member of both Texas Tech's punt coverage and field goal protection units on special teams ... joined Jack Burgess as the only Red Raiders to be on the field for all 95 field goal and PAT tries on the season ... had one tackle via punt coverage, which came at Arizona State (10/18).

2024 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Appeared in one game during his second season as a Red Raider ... made his collegiate debut in the season opener versus Abilene Christian (8/31) ... began the season as a backup at right guard before ending the year as the primary backup at right tackle ... scout team member.

2023 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Did not see any game action as a freshman ... scout team member.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended A&M Consolidated High School in his hometown of College Station, Texas ... started at both tackle spots during high school career ... helped push A&M Consolidated to a 9-3 record and an appearance in the area round of the Class 5A Division I playoffs as a senior.
- Garnered first team All-District 11-5A accolades as a senior ... named to the final ballot for the Whataburger Super Team presented by Dave Campbell's Texas Football for 2022 ... previously recognized as a first team All-District 10-5A honoree as a junior after pushing A&M Consolidated to Class 5A Division II regional semifinals.
- Praised for his work in the classroom as a second team Academic All-State honoree by the THSCA ... was an Academic All-District selection as a junior and a member of the National Honor Society.
- Rated a four-star recruit by ON3.com, ranking 15th nationally among offensive tackles and No. 39 among players from the state of Texas ... considered a three-star prospect by the likes of 247Sports, Rivals and ESPN ... listed at No. 58 among offensive tackles in the country by ESPN and No. 92 among Texas prospects ... tabbed the No. 75 offensive tackle in the country by both 247Sports and Rivals ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Baylor, Rice, Stanford, Utah and Washington State.

PERSONAL

- Daniel Robert Sill ... born in Fort Bragg, North Carolina, to parents Scott Sill and Kelly Colleen McDonald ... has two siblings, Oliver and Elizabeth.
- Earned a bachelor's degree in kinesiology in the spring of 2026 and is currently enrolled in non-degree-seeking post-baccalaureate studies.

PARTICIPATION	2023	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	0/0	1/0	14/0	15/0



Malcolm
SIMMONS

WR | 6-0 | 180 | Jr. | 3rd Yr. (1st at Tech)
Montgomery, Ala. | Benjamin Russell HS | Auburn
Career Games: 24 / Career Starts: 9

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PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Arrived at Texas Tech following two seasons at Auburn, bolstering the wide receiver room while adding another potential route candidate on special teams ... will have three seasons of eligibility remaining as a Red Raider following the passing of the NCAA's 5-for-5 rule ... appeared in 24 games with the Tigers, including nine starts.
- Caught 65 passes for 908 yards and five touchdowns between his two seasons, while also rushing eight times for 55 yards and another score ... totaled 1,120 all-purpose yards as a Tiger, adding 102 yards as a punt return and 55 yards on kick returns on only two attempts ... recorded two 100-yard receiving performances, which, ironically, came in his final two games as a Tiger ... caught at least one pass in 21 of 24 games overall with multiple receptions in 17 contests.
- Credited with 657 offensive snaps played by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him at least a 71.0 overall grade in both seasons ... targeted 88 times in the passing game, per PFF, with 65 of those resulting in receptions ... had only five drops overall, including just one as a sophomore in 2025 ... bulk of his career yardage - 627 yards to be exact - has come after the catch due to his speed and quickness.
- 2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE AT AUBURN): appeared in all 12 games as a sophomore, making three starts at wide receiver ... served as Auburn's primary punt return and key contributor on offense, hauling in 25 catches for 457 yards and two touchdowns, while also carrying four times for 42 yards and another score ... made 16 punt returns on the season for 60 yards.
- Bulk of receiving yardage came in the final two games of the season with five catches for a career-high 149 yards and a touchdown versus Mercer (11/22) and then three receptions for 143 yards and another score versus rival Alabama (11/29) ... touchdown versus Mercer came via a 91-yard strike midway through the third quarter that matched the third-longest reception in program history ... went deep for another touchdown the next week versus Alabama on a 64-yard scoring play to start the second half ... became the first Tiger receiver to record 140-plus receiving yards in consecutive games since Ronney Daniels in 1999.
- Other notable multi-catch outings includes four receptions for 37 yards against Ball State (9/6), four grabs for 30 yards at Oklahoma (9/20) and then two catches for 46 yards at Vanderbilt (11/8) ... performance versus the Sooners included the lone rushing touchdown of his career, which came on an four-yard scamper midway through the fourth quarter.
- Credited with 365 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him a 71.2 overall grade for the year ... publication had him with 39 targets for the year with 25 resulting in receptions (64.1 percent) and only one drop ... key contributor on special teams as well with 137 snaps, serving a regular member of all four main special teams units.
- 2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN AT AUBURN): put together one of the most-impressive debuts by an Auburn freshman in the school's history ... appeared in all 12 games, while making six starts overall, catching 40 passes for 451 yards and three touchdowns ... marked the fifth-highest receiving total by an Auburn freshman in school history.
- Made his collegiate debut with three catches for 91 yards in the opener against Alabama A&M (8/31), which included a 57-yard touchdown strike late in the third quarter ... also recovered a blocked punt in the end zone for a touchdown earlier in the quarter for his first career score ... earned the start in the season opener at wide receiver despite being only a true freshman.
- Lone touchdown through the air during SEC play was via a 48-yard toss midway through the second quarter against Oklahoma (9/28) ... was part of four catches for 61 yards versus the Sooners ... previously began a streak of seven-consecutive games with at least three receptions a week earlier versus Arkansas (9/21) with five catches for 44 yards.
- Followed with four catches for 46 yards at Georgia (10/5), four catches for 29 yards at Missouri (10/19), three catches for 21 yards at Kentucky (10/26), three catches for 39 yards against Vanderbilt (11/2) and a career-best six grabs for 63 yards and a touchdown versus Louisiana-Monroe (11/16) ... found the end zone versus Monroe on a 40-yard touchdown pass late in the third quarter ... closed the season with four catches for 34 yards at Alabama (11/30).
- Contributed on special teams with four punt returns for 42 yards and a touchdown (via a fumble recovery) as well as two kick returns for 55 yards ... utilized on all four special teams units, totaling 143 snaps per Pro Football Focus ... inserted for 292 offensive snaps according to PFF, which gave him a 71.6 overall grade after hauling in 40 of 49 targets and totaling 335 yards after catch.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Benjamin Russell High School in his hometown of Montgomery, Alabama ... considered one of the top recruits out of the state of Alabama before signing with the nearby Tigers ... was a team captain as a senior en route to leading Benjamin Russell to the Class 6A quarterfinals and a regional title.
- Earned first team All-State honors as a senior after catching 60 passes for 1,439 yards and 24 touchdowns, while also rushing for another eight scores ... was a second team All-State selection as a punter his junior year ... invited to the Alabama-Mississippi All-Star Game and the AHSAA North-South All-Star Game following his senior season.
- Multi-sport athlete, lettering in basketball as well as track and field ... three-time state champion in the long jump and two-time state winner in the high jump at the Class 6A level ... departed as the state record holder in the indoor high jump and the outdoor long jump, clearing seven feet as a senior while also leaping 24 feet and 11.25 inches.
- Consensus four-star prospect out of high school by the likes of Rivals, On3, ESPN and 247Sports ... ranked as high as No. 24 nationally among wide receivers by ESPN as well as No. 29 by 247Sports and No. 36 by On3 ... was the No. 12 recruit from the state of Alabama by 247Sports and in the top 25 by the other three publications ... chose Auburn over similar offers from the likes of Arkansas, UCF and Liberty, among others.

PERSONAL

- Malcolm Simmons ... born and raised in Montgomery, Alabama ... son of Robert Simmons and Pamela Felder ... has three siblings with two older brothers, Robert and Jesus, and a little sister, McKayiah.
- A general studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION

	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	12/6	12/3	24/9

* at Auburn

CAREER STATS

RECEIVING	G	Rec	Yds	TD	Lg	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2024 (UA)	12	40	451	3	57	3.3	11.3	37.6
2025 (UA)	12	25	457	2	91	2.1	18.3	38.1
Totals	24	65	908	5	91	2.7	14.0	37.8

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ AUBURN)

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	LG	Rush	Yds	TD
at Baylor		1	26	0	26.0	26	0	0	0
Ball State		4	37	0	9.3	22	0	0	0
South Alabama		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Oklahoma		4	30	0	7.5	15	1	4	1
at Texas A&M	*	2	7	0	3.5	6	0	0	0
Georgia		1	2	0	2.0	2	1	14	0
Missouri		0	0	0	0.0	0	2	24	0
at Arkansas		3	17	0	5.7	9	0	0	0
Kentucky		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
at Vanderbilt		2	46	0	23.0	39	0	0	0
Mercer	*	5	149	1	29.8	91	0	0	0
Alabama	*	3	143	1	47.7	66	0	0	0
Totals		25	457	2	18.3	91	4	42	1

2024 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ AUBURN)

Opponent	GS	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg	LG	Rush	Yds	TD
Alabama A&M	*	3	91	1	30.3	57	0	0	0
California		1	13	0	13.0	13	0	0	0
New Mexico		1	5	0	5.0	5	0	0	0
Arkansas		5	44	0	8.8	18	2	8	0
Oklahoma	*	4	61	1	15.3	48	0	0	0
at Georgia		4	46	0	11.5	21	0	0	0
at Missouri		4	29	0	7.3	15	1	15	0
at Kentucky	*	3	21	0	7.0	8	0	0	0
Vanderbilt		3	39	0	13.0	21	1	-10	0
UL Monroe	*	6	63	1	10.5	40	0	0	0
Texas A&M	*	2	5	0	2.5	8	0	0	0
at Alabama	*	4	34	0	8.5	31	0	0	0
Totals		40	451	3	11.3	57	4	13	0



Dylan SINGLETON

DL | 6-5 | 300 | So. | 2nd Yr.
New Iberia, La. | Loreauville HS
Career Games: 0 / Career Starts: 0

2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

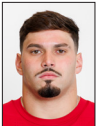
- Did not see any game action as a freshman ... scout team member.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Loreauville High School in his hometown of New Iberia, La. ... the fifth Louisiana native to sign with Texas Tech under Joey McGuire and the lone one for the 2025 class ... two-way player for the Class 2A school, starting on the offensive line and as a defensive lineman.
- Helped lead Loreauville to the Division III state quarterfinals as a senior ... recorded 73 tackles, including 27.0 tackles for loss and 5.0 sacks defensively as a senior ... also contributed to the team's takeaways with two forced fumbles and two fumble recoveries, while also knocking down six passes from the line of scrimmage.
- Member of the school's basketball and track and field programs ... was an All-District 8-2A honoree in basketball as a junior.
- The first offensive or defensive lineman to commit to Texas Tech as part of the 2025 class ... consensus three-star prospect by the likes of On3, 247Sports, ESPN and Rivals ... listed as one of the top prospects in the state of Louisiana, ranking as high as No. 20 by On3 ... was also No. 55 nationally among defensive linemen by On3 ... ESPN considered him the No. 31 prospect in Louisiana ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Houston, Louisiana-Lafayette and Louisiana Tech.

PERSONAL

- Dylan Singleton ... son of the late Edward and Astrid Singleton ... has a brother, Edward, and a sister, Chaniya ... late father was a football student-athlete at LSU.
- A leadership studies major at Texas Tech.



Wesley SMITH

LB | 5-10 | 225 | Sr. | 5th Yr. | 3L
Midland, Texas | Legacy HS
Career Games: 37 / Career Starts: 0

2025 SEASON (SENIOR)

- Ranked among Texas Tech's leaders on special teams for a second-straight season as a senior ... appeared in all 14 games as a member of kickoff coverage and the kickoff return units ... saw time defensively as well as a reserve linebacker.
- Recorded five tackles on the season, which came over the first two games in wins over Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) and Kent State (9/6) ... totaled a career-high four tackles in the season opener versus Pine Bluff, all on defense ... followed with one stop on kickoff coverage the next week against Kent State.
- Credited with 145 snaps on special teams by Pro Football Focus, which ranked seventh on the team ... of that total, 104 came via kickoff coverage, which was tied for second on the team behind only fellow inside linebacker Brock Golwas (105) ... has more than 429 career snaps on special teams now over his career entering his 2026 fifth-year senior season.

2024 SEASON (JUNIOR)

- Returned from injury to appear in all 13 games as a junior, establishing a role as a key special teams contributor ... ranked second on the team with 206 special teams snaps according to Pro Football Focus, which trailed only John Curry (272) ... member of the kickoff return and coverage units throughout the season, while also seeing time on punt coverage and punt returns.
- Credited with two tackles on the season, which both came in the Big 12 opener against Arizona State (9/21) ... the Sun Devils were limited to less than 20 yards on both returns that featured a tackle.
- Member of the scout team ... recognized by the coaching staff following the Arizona State victory as the offensive scout team player of the week for his performance mirroring Sun Devil running back Cam Skattebo throughout preparations ... Skattebo was limited to a season-low 60 rushing yards against the Red Raiders.
- **AWARDS AND HONORS:** named the recipient of the Dare to be Great Award following the season for his commitment in strength and conditioning workouts.

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2023 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Limited to only three games played due to an injury suffered during non-conference play ... key member of Texas Tech's special teams as well as part of the kickoff and punt coverage units ... had entered the season as a backup at the Mike linebacker position.
- Recorded four tackles on the season with three coming against Oregon (9/9) and the other versus Tarleton State (9/16) ... one of his stops against the Ducks went for a one-yard loss, his first tackle for loss of his career ... credited with 32 defensive snaps prior to his injury in the Tarleton State game ... in on seven defensive snaps versus Oregon and then 25 in the win over Tarleton.

2022 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- One of only two true freshmen to play in more than four games in 2022 ... appeared in seven games overall, all on special teams.
- Credited with 48 snaps by Pro Football Focus on special teams, generally as part of kickoff coverage ... also saw action briefly on punt return and kickoff return units ... graded out at 71.0 by PFF, which ranked fifth on the team among players who played in four or more games.
- Made his lone tackle on the season in the TaxAct Texas Bowl win over Ole Miss (12/28) as part of kickoff coverage.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Legacy High School in Midland, Texas ... one of the top players in the Permian Basin his final two seasons ... helped push Legacy to the Class 6A Division I area round as both a junior and senior.
- Named the District 2-6A Defensive MVP each of his final two seasons after racking up 252 tackles and 30.0 tackles for loss those two years alone ... was a first team All-District selection those two seasons as well ... recognized as an honorable mention All-State honoree as a senior by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA) ... honored as the Midland Reporter-Telegram's Defensive Player of the Year following his senior season in 2021 after registering 133 tackles, 16 tackles for loss and seven sacks.
- Participated as a member of the track and field program in addition to football.

PERSONAL

- Wesley Smith ... son of Jeff and Joann Smith ... has one brother, Jared.
- An interdisciplinary studies major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2022	2023	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	7/0	3/0	13/0	14/0	37/0



Leyton STONE

WR | 6-3 | 200 | So. | 2nd Yr. | 1L
Lubbock, Texas | Frenship HS
Career Games: 10 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Immediately impressed after joining the Red Raiders as a mid-year enrollee ... bypassed a redshirt season, playing in 10 games overall as a reserve wide receiver and on special teams ... member of Texas Tech's kickoff return team during the season and saw time on kickoff coverage and punt returns as well.
- Caught three passes for 42 yards and a touchdown offensively ... made two catches for 28 yards and a touchdown in his collegiate debut versus Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) ... touchdown came on a nine-yard strike from Will Hammond late in the third quarter to give the Red Raiders a commanding 61-0 lead ... later added one catch for 14 yards in the regular-season finale at West Virginia (11/29).
- Member of Texas Tech's travel squad regularly during Big 12 play ... part of the scout team during the season as well.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Local product out of Frenship High School ... among the most-prolific wide receivers in the state of Texas during his final three seasons for the Tigers.
- Helped push Frenship to the area round of the Class 6A Division II playoffs as a senior before narrowly falling to Southlake Carroll ... ended his prep career with four touchdown catches against the highly-ranked Dragons, finishing with eight receptions for 167 yards overall.
- Named the Offensive MVP of District 2-6A as a senior after catching 70 passes for 1,488 yards and 29 touchdowns ... was also a second team All-State honoree by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA) ... totaled more than 4,000 yards to go along with 66 touchdowns over his three varsity seasons.

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RED RAIDERS

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TEXAS TECH

- Previously hauled in 94 passes for 1,658 yards and 23 touchdowns as a junior, averaging an impressive 17.6 yards per catch ... was a unanimous All-District 2-6A selection that season as well as a third team All-State honoree by the TSWA.
- Helped lead Frenship to a 9-3 record and an area round appearance in the Class 6A Division II playoffs both his junior and sophomore seasons ... was one of the breakout starts across the South Plains as a sophomore after recording 64 catches for 1,177 yards and 14 touchdowns ... garnered second team All-District 2-6A accolades that season.
- Member of Frenship's basketball, baseball and track programs during prep career.
- Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of On3, 247Sports, ESPN and Rivals ... ranked as high as No. 61 nationally among wide receivers by On3 ... listed as a top-100 recruit in Texas by three different publications - On3 (No. 61), 247Sports (No. 77) and ESPN (No. 93) ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Arizona, Baylor and Texas State.

PERSONAL

- Leyton Stone ... son of Tom and Lindsey Stone ... oldest of three siblings with a younger brother, Landry, and sister, Lily ... born in Atlanta, Georgia ... moved to Lubbock at only seven months of age after his father was named Texas Tech's head soccer coach ... father is now the all-time winningest head coach in the history of the Texas Tech soccer program.
- Both parents were collegiate soccer student-athletes with his father at Duke and his mother at the University of Texas ... father was a three-time All-ACC selection and set the Duke records for most career NCAA Tournament goals and game-winning goals in a season ... father scored the game-winning goal for Duke in the 1986 National Championship match.
- Wears No. 17 with the Red Raiders, the same jersey number both his parents had during their respective collegiate careers.
- A sports management major at Texas Tech.



Adam TRICK

OLB | 6-4 | 250 | Sr. | 5th Yr. (1st at Tech)
Dayton, Ohio | Wayne HS | Miami (OH)
Career Games: 41 / Career Starts: 16

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CAREER HONORS

- All-MAC First Team (2025, Jr.)
- Three-time Academic All-MAC Team honoree (2023-25)

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- One of several significant signees for the Red Raiders out of the transfer portal, arriving at Texas Tech after earning All-MAC honors at Miami (Ohio) ... spent a total of four years with the RedHawks, appearing in 41 games during that span with 16 starts ... will utilize his final season of eligibility with the Red Raiders.
- Combined for 102 tackles (41 solo) over three full seasons, including 18.0 tackles for loss and 13.0 sacks ... bulk of that total came during a stellar junior campaign, pushing Miami to an appearance in the 2025 MAC Championship ... demonstrated ability to create takeaways with two interceptions, three forced fumbles and a fumble recovery as a RedHawk.
- Played for a winning program at Miami as the RedHawks appeared in three-consecutive MAC Championship Games with four bowl trips during his tenure ... the RedHawks claimed the MAC title during his 2023 redshirt freshman season.
- Credited with 1,239 defensive snaps over three full seasons by Pro Football Focus, which had him at 95 pressures over that span ... remained a key contributor on special teams as his role defensively increased ... totaled 458 snaps on special teams over his tenure with 179 of those coming on punt coverage.
- Ranked among the top transfer portal entrees following the 2025 season ... listed as the No. 38 overall transfer in the portal by ESPN and the seventh-best edge rusher ... ranked No. 73 overall among portal entrees by The Athletic and down one spot to No. 74 by On3, helping give the Red Raiders one of the nation's top transfer classes.
- **2025 SEASON (SENIOR AT MIAMI):** one of the nation's top pass rushers during his finale season as a RedHawk ... earned first team All-MAC honors after starting in all 13 games played, totaling career highs with 59 tackles (26 solo), including 12.5 for a loss and 8.5 sacks ... added three forced fumbles, an interception, four pass breakups and 13 quarterback hurries to his stat ledger.
- Ended the season ranked tied for 23rd nationally in sacks per game (0.65) and tied for 25th for total sacks (8.5) ... was fourth overall in the MAC for both categories and then eighth in the league for total tackles for loss (12.5) ... helped push a Miami defense that ended the season tied for eighth in the FBS with 40.0 sacks as a team.

- Made a splash in the season opener at Wisconsin (8/28), finishing with 2.0 sacks as part of six tackles, a quarterback hurry and a pass breakup ... marked the first multi-sack game of his career and was the first of seven games on the year with at least a share of a sack ... started a stretch of three-consecutive games to start the season with six tackles in each contest after hitting that total at Rutgers (9/6) and versus UNLV (9/20).
- Kicked off a stretch of three-consecutive games with a sack versus Lindenwood (9/27), finishing with three tackles and a solo tackle ... followed with three tackles, including 2.0 for a loss and another sack, the next week at Northern Illinois (10/4) and then a career-high seven stops at Akron (10/11).
- Win over Akron featured a career-high 2.5 tackles for loss to go along with 1.5 sacks and his second career interception ... both sacks versus the Zips came in the third quarter and led directly to punt attempts ... his interception, meanwhile, came in the red zone and stopped Akron's opening drive ... previously forced a fumble on his sack versus Northern Illinois, the first of the three on the season.
- Notched sacks in three other MAC games later in the season versus Western Michigan (10/25), at Buffalo (11/19) and against Ball State (11/29), the latter of which was part of six tackles ... had 2.0 tackles for loss in the win over Western Michigan, including a strip sack that gave the ball back to the RedHawks to set up a field goal ... closed his tenure at Miami with four tackles, a forced fumble and a quarterback hurry in the MAC Championship versus Western Michigan (12/6) ... did not play in Miami's loss to Fresno State in the Arizona Bowl.
- Among the highest-rated edge rushers in college football by Pro Football Focus as his 91.3 overall grade ranked ninth among those with at least 400 defensive snaps ... received a 91.1 grade as a pass rusher, which ranked tied for 13th nationally ... publication listed him with 67 pressures created over his 671 defensive snaps, which was tied for fourth in the FBS behind only Miami's Ruben Bain Jr. (83), Texas Tech's David Bailey (81) and New Mexico's Keyshawn James-Newby (74) ... awarded 73 pressures by ESPN, which led the FBS in their ranking.
- **2024 SEASON (JUNIOR AT MIAMI):** emerged as a regular contributor defensively as a junior, appearing in all 14 games while making three starts ... totaled 37 tackles overall, including 5.5 for a loss and 4.5 sacks, to go along with an interception and fumble recovery ... recognized with the Strength and Conditioning Award following the season by the coaching staff.
- Combined for eight tackles the first three games of the season - all against power conference opponents - with three stops at Northwestern (8/31) and Notre Dame (9/21) and two versus Cincinnati (9/14) ... shared a sack the next week versus UMass (9/28) as part of a season-high six tackles ... notched his first career solo sack the next weekend as part of four tackles at Toledo (10/5), one of five games with at least a share of a sack during MAC play.
- Got to the quarterback on his own against Central Michigan (10/26), at Ball State (11/5) and at Bowling Green (11/29) ... recovered his first career fumble during that span to start the fourth quarter versus Kent State (11/13) ... closed the season with five tackles in the Arizona Bowl victory over Colorado State (12/28) ... performance included his first career interception, which came late in the first quarter and led to a Miami field goal for a 6-3 lead.
- Credited with 497 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus as well as an additional 105 on special teams ... bulk of snaps on special teams came as part of punt coverage (63) ... publication listed him with 26 pressures on the season.
- **2023 SEASON (SOPHOMORE AT MIAMI):** saw action in 13 games as a sophomore, seeing time as a reserve on the defensive line and on special teams ... made six tackles on the year, including a season-high two stops versus Delaware State (9/23) ... credited with 231 snaps on special teams as a regular member of the kickoff return, kickoff coverage, punt return and punt coverage units.
- **2022 SEASON (FRESHMAN AT MIAMI):** appeared in only one game as a freshman, which came during MAC play against Bowling Green (10/15).

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Huber Heights Wayne High School just outside his hometown of Dayton, Ohio ... helped push the Warriors to an 8-3 record as a senior and a share of the Greater Western Ohio Conference (GWOC) ... played for one of the top big-school high school programs in the state.
- Earned first team All-GWOC honors as a senior after recording 65 tackles, 16.5 tackles for loss and 2.0 sacks ... was a second team All-Ohio selection as a linebacker that same season by the Ohio Prep Sportswriters Association ... three-time All-GWOC honoree, collecting first team accolades for the first time as a junior during the COVID-shortened 2020 season and then as an honorable mention selection as a sophomore in 2019.
- Consensus three-star prospect by the likes of Rivals, On3, ESPN and 247Sports ... listed as a top-70 recruit in the state of Ohio by all four services, ranking as high as No. 52 by Rivals ... chose Miami (Ohio) over similar offers from Air Force, Akron, Eastern Michigan, Kent State, Dartmouth, Penn and Princeton, among others.

PERSONAL

- Adam Trick ... born and raised in Dayton, Ohio ... son of Ed and Debi Trick ... has two older brothers, Ben and Connor.
- Earned bachelor's degree in business analytics from Miami (OH) in the fall of 2025 ... currently enrolled in non-degree-seeking post-baccalaureate studies at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2022*	2023*	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	1/0	13/0	14/3	13/13	41/16

* at Miami (OH)

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2022 (Miami-OH)	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
2023 (Miami-OH)	13	2	4	6	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
2024 (Miami-OH)	14	13	24	37	5.5	37	0	1	0	1
2025 (Miami-OH)	13	26	33	59	12.5	83	3	0	4	1
Totals	41	41	61	102	18.0	120	3	1	4	2

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	G	UA	A	Total	Yds
2022 (Miami-OH)	1	0	0	0.0	0
2023 (Miami-OH)	13	0	0	0.0	0
2024 (Miami-OH)	14	4	1	4.5	34
2025 (Miami-OH)	13	8	1	8.5	69
Totals	41	12	2	13.0	103

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ MIAMI-OH)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	PBU	INT
at Wisconsin	*	5	1	6	2.0-20	2.0-20	0	0	1	0
at Rutgers	*	3	3	6	0.0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0
UNLV	*	3	3	6	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	1	0
Lindenwood	*	1	2	3	1.0-13	1.0-13	0	0	0	0
at Northern Illinois	*	3	0	3	1.0-13	2.0-15	1	0	0	0
at Akron	*	2	5	7	1.5-11	2.5-13	0	0	0	1
Eastern Mich.	*	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Western Mich.	*	2	4	6	1.0-0	2.0-8	1	0	0	0
at Ohio	*	0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Toledo	*	1	3	4	0.0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0
at Buffalo	*	1	2	3	1.0-6	1.0-6	0	0	2	0
Ball State	*	3	3	6	1.0-6	1.0-6	0	0	0	0
vs. Western Mich.	*	1	3	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	1	0	0	0
vs. Fresno State	DNP									
Totals		26	33	59	8.5-69	12.5-83	3	0	4	1

2024 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ MIAMI-OH)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	PBU	INT
at Northwestern	*	0	3	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati		1	1	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Notre Dame		1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Massachusetts	*	2	4	6	0.5-2	0.5-2	0	0	0	0
at Toledo		3	1	4	1.0-11	1.0-11	0	0	0	0
at Eastern Mich.		3	1	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Ohio	*	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Central Mich.		1	0	1	1.0-9	1.0-9	0	0	0	0
at Ball State		1	1	2	1.0-1	1.5-2	0	0	0	0
Kent State		0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	1	0	0
Northern Illinois		0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Bowling Green		1	2	3	1.0-11	1.0-11	0	0	0	0
vs. Ohio		0	2	2	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
vs. Colorado State		0	5	5	0.0-0	0.5-2	0	0	0	1
Totals		13	24	37	4.5-34	5.5-37	0	1	0	1



Loic
TSHIBANGU

RB | 6-0 | 210 | Sr. | 4th Yr. (2nd at Tech)
Brussels, Belgium | IMI Secondeaire
Career Games: 0 / Career Starts: 0

2025 SEASON (JUNIOR)

- Joined the program early in the season as a walk-on running back ... did not see any game action ... scout team member.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended IMI Secondeaire ... played for the Brussels Tiger club while also playing soccer.

PERSONAL

- Loic Tshibangu ... born in Bruges, Belgium and calls Brussels his hometown ... son of Didier Tshibangu and Charlotte Mwamba Musau ... has two older brothers, the eldest Zacharie, and Leon.
- Grew up playing football in Belgium and moved to the United States full-time in 2023 to attend Collin College before enrolling at Texas Tech in the spring of 2024 ... attended a summer camp where he was clocked at 4.48 in the 40-yard dash, sparking a relationship with the Texas Tech coaches.
- His ties to Texas Tech come via two of his uncles who were Red Raider football student-athletes under Mike Leach in Loliki Bongo-Wanga (2001-02) and Patrice Majondo-Mwamba (2002-04) ... a third uncle, Gerard Warren, played defensive tackle at Florida under Steve Spurrier and was selected by the Cleveland Browns third overall in the 2001 NFL draft.
- A management major at Texas Tech.



D'Anthis
UPSHAW JR.

OL | 6-5 | 305 | Jr. | 3rd Yr. | 1L
Dallas, Texas | Irving HS
Career Games: 8 / Career Starts: 0

2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Tabbed one of Texas Tech's top players from a player-development standpoint at the end of the season ... won the backup position at left tackle out of preseason camp and stayed in that spot all season ... switched to an eligible number on occasion during the season to give the Red Raiders an extra blocking tight end.
- Appeared in eight games overall, making his collegiate debut in the season-opening win over Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30) ... credited with 124 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him a 75.0 or higher pass-blocking grade in four games ... listed with only one pressure allowed on the season over 39 pass-blocking opportunities.
- Took bulk of snaps at left tackle (103) with nine snaps at right tackle and 10 as a tight end ... played in 10 or more offensive snaps in six different games, including a season-high 26 in the victory over Kent State (9/6) ... had 20-plus offensive snaps in three other games with 22 versus both Oklahoma State (10/25) and UCF (11/15) as well as 25 at West Virginia (11/29).

2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

- Did not see any game action as a freshman ... scout team member.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Irving High School in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex ... two-way player for Irving, starring on both the offensive and defensive lines ... will concentrate on the offensive side of the ball with the Red Raiders.
- Earned first team All-District 7-6A honors as an offensive lineman as a senior ... was a second-team selection on the defensive line that same year.
- Two-sport athlete as a member of the Irving track and field program ... recorded throws of 52'-11.25" in the shot put and 123'-6" in the discus ... qualified for both the area and regional rounds during prep career.
- Chose to attend Texas Tech over interest from both North Texas and Texas State.

PERSONAL

- D'Anthis Upshaw Jr. ... born and raised in Dallas, Texas ... son of D'Anthis Upshaw Sr. and Veneeka Norris ... has eight siblings in his family.
- Major at Texas Tech is sport management.

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Rylan VAGANA
LS | 6-0 | 215 | Jr. | 3rd Yr. | 1L
Huntington Beach, Calif. | Mater Dei HS
Career Games: 15 / Career Starts: 0

2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

• Split time as Texas Tech's primary deep snapper as a sophomore ... handled the snaps mainly on punt coverage with Jason Llewellyn doing the same on field goals ... appeared in all 14 games with no failed snaps over 45 punt attempts and 11 field goals or extra points.

2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

• Served as the backup snapper to senior Jackson Knotts during his first year as a Red Raider ... appeared in only the regular-season finale against West Virginia (11/30).

HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Mater Dei High School in Santa Ana, Calif. ... ranked as the top high school long snapper in the 2024 class ... played for one of the top high school programs in the state of California.
• The Monarchs finished 13-1 overall his senior year, winning their fourth state title in history ... recovered a key fumble in the state title game, which set up a touchdown ... tabbed the Most Valuable Specialist on the All-Trinity League postseason awards ... was also a starter at safety for the Monarchs ... selected to play in the 2024 Polynesian Bowl in Hawai'i following his senior season.
• Able to kick field goals in addition to his talents snapping ... also a member of the school's volleyball program as an outside and opposite-side hitter.
• Considered a five-star prospect by Rubio Long Snapping and ranked as its top long snapper ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Air Force, Army, Pennsylvania and San Diego State.

PERSONAL

• Rylan L. Vagana ... born in Salt Lake City, Utah ... calls Huntington Beach, Calif. home ... parents are Levi and Amelia Vagana ... has one sibling, a younger sister Remington.
• Enjoys reading, rubix cubes and playing volleyball away from football.
• A finance major at Texas Tech.



Donovan WEBB
S | 6-0 | 205 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Frisco, Texas | Panther Creek HS

HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Panther Creek High School in Frisco, Texas ... was a four-year letterwinner for the Panthers, who advanced to the area round of the Class 4A Division I playoffs his senior year ... two-way player, starring not only in the secondary but also as a wide receiver and running back offensively ... joined the safeties room upon his arrival at Texas Tech.
• Finalist for the 2025 Whataburger Super Team as a senior after recording 82 tackles, an interception, three forced fumbles and a defensive touchdown on the defensive side of the ball ... shared Most Valuable Player honors for District 7-4A Division I that season after leading Panther Creek to a 9-3 record ... totaled 1,252 all-purpose yards on the offensive side of the ball, totaling 18 touchdowns both as a rusher and a receiver.
• Finished his junior season with 120 tackles, five interceptions, two forced fumbles, nine pass breakups and two punt returns for touchdowns ... tabbed the Co-Defensive MVP of District 7-4A Division I for his efforts ... rushed 19 times for 172 yards and 9.1 yards per carry offensively and added two punt returns for a touchdown and 330 punt return yards overall ... attended the Dallas area Under Armour Next camp following his junior season, earning MVP honors for the defensive backs position.
• Named to the All-District 9-4A first team following both his freshman and sophomore seasons ... recorded 109 tackles, four interceptions and seven pass breakups as a sophomore, finding the end zone once defensively via a pick-six while also returning two punts for a touchdown ... posted 60 tackles and four interceptions during an impressive freshman debut at the 4A level.
• Multi-sport athlete, competing in in track and field for the Panthers as well ... timed as low as 11.01 in the 100 meters and then a 22.56 in the 200 meters ...

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member of Panther Creek's district champion 4x100-meter relay team his senior year.
• Considered a four-star prospect by 247Sports and a three-star recruit by both Rivals and ESPN for the 2026 class ... ranked as high as No. 31 among safeties nationally by Rivals and then No. 33 by both ESPN and 247Sports ... consensus top-100 recruit in Texas by all three publications, ranking as high as No. 49 by 247Sports.
• Committed to Texas Tech on July 2, 2025, and joined the program as a mid-year enrollee in January 2026 ... received more than 40 scholarship offers out of high school ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Michigan, Kansas State, Colorado, TCU, Baylor, Arizona, Auburn, LSU, Notre Dame, Ohio State, Oklahoma, Ole Miss, Oregon, Texas, Texas A&M, USC and others.

PERSONAL

• Donovan Webb ... born in Arlington, Texas to parents Dennis and Kyndahl Webb ... has three siblings, Kynnedi, Dylan and Dane.
• A communication studies major at Texas Tech.



Trey WHITE
OLB | 6-2 | 250 | Sr. | 5th Yr. (1st at Tech)
San Diego, Calif. | Eastlake HS | San Diego State
Career Games: 40 / Career Starts: 26

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CAREER HONORS

• All-Mountain West First Team (2025, Sr.)
• Bednarik Award Watch List (2025, Sr.)
• Bronko Nagurski Trophy Watch List (2025, Sr.)
• Mountain West Preseason Defensive Player of the Year (2025, Sr.)
• All-Mountain West First Team (2024, Jr.)
• Phil Steele Honorable Mention All-America (2024, Jr.)
• Mountain West Defensive Player of the Week - Oct. 7 (2024, Jr.)
• Three-time Academic All-Mountain West First Team (2023-25)
• Bednarik Award Watch List (2024, Jr.)

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

• One of the top transfer additions for the Red Raiders ahead of the 2026 season ... two-time selection to the All-Mountain West first team that will spend his final season of eligibility as a Red Raider after transferring from San Diego State ... appeared in 40 games as an Aztec with 26-consecutive starts for his hometown school.
• Combined for 129 tackles (76 solo) over three full seasons, including 31.0 for a loss and 19.5 sacks, with the bulk of that total coming over his final two years as an Aztec ... one of only two players in all of college football to record at least 28.0 tackles for loss and 19.0 sacks combined over the 2024-25 seasons, joining Colin Simmons of Texas ... his 19.5 sacks were the third-highest total in the FBS during that span, trailing only a fellow Red Raider in David Bailey (21.5) and Simmons (21.0).
• Ended his tenure with the Aztecs among the top sack leaders in school history ... his 19.5 sacks over his career ranked sixth all-time in program history and places him among the leading returner sack leaders in the FBS entering the 2026 season ... tied with Minnesota's Anthony Smith for second among returning FBS career leaders for sacks, trailing only Simmons (21.0) of Texas.
• Contributed to San Diego State's takeaway total with a forced fumble, fumble recovery and an interception in addition to his work in the backfield ... added four pass breakups from the line of scrimmage as well ... credited with 1,621 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus and an additional 294 on special teams ... publication awarded him 100 pressures as an Aztec, including 93 the past two seasons alone.
• Listed as the No. 16 overall player to enter the transfer portal following the 2025 season by ESPN and at No. 46 by The Athletic ... was the fifth-highest rated edge player in ESPN's rankings, helping give the Red Raiders one of the nation's top transfer classes ... was No. 7 among edge players according to The Athletic.
• **2025 SEASON (SENIOR AT SAN DIEGO STATE):** key member of one of the nation's top defenses during final season as an Aztec, starting in all 13 games en route to earning All-Mountain West first team honors for a second-straight year ... marked the second-consecutive season to start in every game ... helped push San Diego State to 9-4 overall record as the Aztecs ranked sixth nationally for scoring defense at 15.4 points per game and 11th for total defense at 293.7 yards allowed a contest.
• Totaled 53 tackles on the season (26 solo), including 10.5 for a loss and 7.0 sacks, to go along with a pass breakup ... recorded three or more tackles in all but one game on the season and had at least a share of a tackle for loss in eight

different contests ... of that total, five of those games featured a sack ... one of only five players to record at least 10.0 tackles for loss and 7.0 sacks in back-to-back seasons over the 2024-25 campaigns, joining Colin Simmons (Texas), Cley Lubin (Coastal Carolina/Louisville), Dani Dennis-Sutton (Penn State) and Gabe Jacas (Illinois).

- Recorded a five-game stretch during front half of the season with a tackle for loss, beginning at Washington State (9/6) with six tackles and 1.5 for a loss ... had his lone pass breakup of the season versus the Cougars as well ... followed with four tackles versus California (9/20), seven at Northern Illinois (9/27), three versus Colorado State (10/3) and four at Nevada (10/11) ... performance against Colorado State included a season-high 2.0 tackles for loss - both sacks.

- Matched that season high with another 2.0 tackles for loss a few weeks later versus Wyoming (11/1) and in the regular-season finale at New Mexico (11/28) ... had three tackles against the Cowboys as well as again the next week at Hawaii (11/8) ... matched another season high with seven tackles the following weekend with seven tackles (11/15) against Boise State (11/15), including one assisted stop that went for a loss.

- Closed his San Diego State tenure with four tackles against both San Jose State (11/22) and then at New Mexico ... one of his tackles for loss against the Lobos was his final sack of the season ... played in Fresno State's loss to North Texas in the New Mexico Bowl, finishing with four tackles for a third-consecutive game ... entered the transfer portal shortly after the bowl game.

- Credited with 642 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him an 82.9 overall grade, the highest of his career ... listed with 51 total pressures on the year, which ranked tied for 18th in the FBS among edge rushers and third in the Mountain West ... received a 78.0 overall grade as a pass rusher to go along with a 79.4 grade in rush defense and 73.1 as a tackler.

- 2024 SEASON (JUNIOR AT SAN DIEGO STATE):** put together his best season of his Aztec career, ranking among the national leaders for both tackles for loss and sacks ... did so while playing and starting in all 12 games, eventually earning All-Mountain West first team accolades for the first time in his career ... elected a team captain by his peers, becoming the first Aztec underclassman to receive the honor (along with Tano Letuli) since 2005.

- Recorded 60 tackles on the year (40 solo), including 18.5 for a loss and 12.5 sacks, to go along with a forced fumble and two pass breakups ... ended the year as the Mountain West leader and ranked tied for fifth in the FBS for total sacks and seventh for total tackles for loss ... his game average for both categories ranked fourth overall in the FBS and led the Mountain West.

- Moved into the San Diego State record book, closing the year ranked third all-time for single-season sacks and 13th for total tackles for loss ... trailed only Mike Douglass' 21.0 sacks from 1976 and Brett Faryniarz's 13.0 sacks from 1987 on San Diego State's single-season chart ... marked the most tackles for loss in a season by an Aztec since Cameron Thomas had 20.5 in 2021.

- Joined the record book for single-game tackles for loss and sacks that season as well with top performances at Central Michigan (9/28) and versus Hawaii (10/5) ... recorded 4.0 tackles for loss and 3.0 sacks in both contests, which ranked tied for fifth in San Diego State single-game history for both categories ... tabbed the Mountain West Defensive Player of the Week on Oct. 7 for his performance against Hawaii.

- Recorded eight tackles in the loss at Central Michigan before following with five stops versus Hawaii ... previously began the season with five tackles, 1.5 tackles for loss and a shared sack in the opener versus Texas A&M-Commerce (8/31) ... stripped a Commerce rusher during one of his tackles for loss, which was recovered by the Aztecs in the end zone for a touchdown to take a 16-6 lead ... had four tackles the next week versus Oregon State (9/7).

- Began a four-game stretch at California (9/14) with a combined 13.5 tackles for loss and 10.5 sacks ... posted six tackles versus Golden Bears, which included 2.5 for a loss - all sacks ... followed with his two performances versus Central Michigan and Hawaii before ending that run with four tackles, 3.0 tackles for loss and 2.0 sacks at Wyoming (10/12) ... shared a sack as part of three tackles versus Washington State (10/26) to mark his fifth-consecutive game to reach the quarterback.

- Closed the year with a career-high nine tackles in the regular-season finale versus Air Force (11/30) ... final sack of the season came a week earlier at Utah State (11/23) as part of seven tackles and 2.0 tackles for loss ... kicked off the month of November with two tackles at Boise State (11/1), four versus New Mexico (11/8) and three at UNLV (11/16).

- Credited with 732 defensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which gave him a 74.4 grade as a pass rusher and a 69.2 grade overall ... publication listed him with 42 total pressures, which easily led the team and ranked third in the Mountain West ... part of an additional 96 snaps on special teams as well with the vast majority coming as part of punt coverage (49).

- 2023 SEASON (SOPHOMORE AT SAN DIEGO STATE):** emerged into the defensive line rotation during second season, seeing time in all 12 games with one start ... recorded 15 tackles on the year (9 solo) to go along with a fumble recovery and an interception ... had 2.0 tackles for loss, both that came during Mountain West Conference play.

- Picked off the lone pass of his San Diego State career in the season opener versus Ohio (8/26) ... interception came on Ohio's first drive of the second quarter ... followed with three tackles the next week against Idaho State (9/2) and then a fumble recovery versus UCLA (9/9) ... fell on a strip sack at the UCLA 1-yard line midway through the third quarter.

- Made the first start of his career in the regular-season finale versus Fresno State (11/25), finishing with a season-high four tackles ... one of five games on the season with multiple stops after recording two tackles at Hawaii (10/14), versus Nevada (10/21) and at Colorado State (11/11) ... performance against Nevada featured one of his two tackles for loss on the year with the other coming at San Jose State (11/18).

- 2022 SEASON (FRESHMAN AT SAN DIEGO STATE):** appeared in the final three games of the season during his first season at the collegiate level ... recorded his lone tackle and quarterback hurry on the season in the EasyPost Hawaii Bowl versus Middle Tennessee (12/24) ... tabbed the team's special teams scout team player of the year following the season.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Eastlake High School in Chula Vista, Calif., a suburb of San Diego ... three-year letterwinner, starring on both sides of the ball for the Titans ... primarily played defensive end and linebacker at the prep level but was inserted on occasion at running back.

- Earned first team All-Mesa League honors following each of his three varsity seasons ... tabbed the Mesa League Defensive Player of the Year as a junior during the 2021 spring football season ... named the team's MVP twice as well, leading Eastlake to a Metro Mesa title as a senior.

- Credited with 64 tackles (45 solo) as a senior according to MaxPreps, including 13.0 sacks to go along with 19 quarterback hurries, a forced fumble and two pass breakups ... closed his prep career with 26.0 total sacks.

- Multi-sport athlete, also competing for the Eastlake track program as a senior ... finished fourth in the California Interscholastic Federation - San Diego Section (CIFSDS) that season after a throw of 47-0 in the shut put ... personal best that season went 47-10 a few weeks earlier.

- Considered a three-star prospect by both ESPN and 247Sports out of high school ... underrated overall, not ranking in the top 10 at his position or in the state of California ... chose to attend San Diego State in his native California over offers from the likes of Arizona, Air Force, Army, Cal Poly, Northern Arizona, Pennsylvania and Columbia.

PERSONAL

- Treyton Joseph White ... goes by "Trey" ... born and raised in San Diego, California ... son of Joseph and Deanna White ... has one sibling, a younger sister, Jada.
- An applied personal finance major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2022*	2023*	2024*	2025*	CAREER
GP/GS	3/0	12/1	12/12	13/13	40/26

* at San Diego State

CAREER STATS

TACKLES	GP	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2022 (SDSU)	3	1	0	1	0.0	0	0	0	0	0
2023 (SDSU)	12	9	6	15	2.0	5	0	1	1	1
2024 (SDSU)	12	40	20	60	18.5	102	1	0	2	0
2025 (SDSU)	13	26	27	53	10.5	58	0	0	1	0
Totals	40	76	53	129	31.0	165	1	1	4	1

SACKS	G	UA	A	Total	Yds
2022 (SDSU)	3	0	0	0.0	0
2023 (SDSU)	12	0	0	0.0	0
2024 (SDSU)	12	11	3	12.5	68
2025 (SDSU)	13	7	0	7.0	50
Totals	40	18	3	19.5	118

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ SAN DIEGO STATE)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	PBU	INT
Stony Brook	*	1	2	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Washington St.*		2	4	6	0.0-0	1.5-3	0	0	1	0
California	*	3	1	4	1.0-8	1.0-8	0	0	0	0
at Northern Ill.	*	3	4	7	0.0-0	0.5-2	0	0	0	0
Colorado State	*	3	0	3	2.0-18	2.0-18	0	0	0	0
at Nevada	*	3	1	4	1.0-9	1.0-9	0	0	0	0
at Fresno State	*	1	0	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Wyoming	*	2	1	3	2.0-11	2.0-11	0	0	0	0
at Hawaii	*	0	3	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Boise State	*	2	5	7	0.0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0
San Jose State	*	2	2	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at New Mexico	*	3	1	4	1.0-4	2.0-6	0	0	0	0
vs. North Texas	*	1	3	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Totals		26	27	53	7.0-50	10.5-58	0	0	1	0

2024 GAME-BY-GAME STATS (@ SAN DIEGO STATE)

Opponent	GS	UA	A	TOT	SACKS-YDS	TFL-YDS	FF	FR	PBU	INT
East Texas A&M		3	2	5	0.5-0	1.5-27	1	0	0	0
Oregon State		4	0	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at California		5	1	6	2.5-14	2.5-14	0	0	1	0
at Central Mich.		5	3	8	3.0-13	4.0-15	0	0	0	0
Hawaii		4	1	5	3.0-26	4.0-27	0	0	1	0
at Wyoming		3	1	4	2.0-7	3.0-8	0	0	0	0
Washington State		2	1	3	0.5-1	0.5-1	0	0	0	0
at Boise State		2	0	2	0.0-0	1.0-2	0	0	0	0
New Mexico		1	3	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at UNLV		2	1	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
at Utah State		5	2	7	1.0-7	2.0-8	0	0	0	0
Air Force		4	5	9	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Totals		40	20	60	12.5-68	18.5-102	1	0	2	0



Sawyer WILKERSON

RB | 6-0 | 215 | So. | 2nd Yr.
Stephenville, Texas | Stephenville HS

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2025 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

• Joined the Red Raider football program as a walk-on following the season ... was a freshman student on campus during 2025 football season.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Stephenville High School in Stephenville, Texas ... spent his senior season at Stephenville after previously attending Comanche High School roughly 35 miles away ... one of the most-prolific rushers in the state throughout his prep career with more than 5,600 career rushing yards over four varsity seasons.
- Carried 201 times for 1,659 yards and 26 touchdowns as a senior, leading Stephenville to a 12-2 record and a spot in the Class 4A Division I regional final ... earned All-District 4-4A honors that season and a second team All-State selection by the Padilla Poll.
- Put together two strong seasons for Comanche, carrying 259 times for 2,601 yards and 29 touchdowns as only a sophomore to earn District 5-3A Division II MVP honors ... pushed the Indians to a 10-2 record that season and district title that season before falling in the area round of the playoffs.
- Followed with 187 carries for 1,251 yards and 13 touchdowns as a junior for a Comanche program that was 8-5 overall but advanced to the regional semifinals of the Class 3A Division II playoffs ... was a first team All-District 5-3A Division II selection that season and an honorable mention All-State honoree by the Texas Sports Writers Association ... garnered second team All-State accolades by the Padilla Poll.

PERSONAL

- Sawyer Wilkerson... born in Abilene, Texas before moving to his hometown of Stephenville ... son of Lance and Jan Wilkerson ... has three siblings: Brooke, Caroline and Logan.
- His great uncle, Russell Durham, threw the javelin for the Texas Tech track and field team and still holds the No. 4 mark in Tech history at 240'-8" (73.36m) from the SWC Championships in 1968.
- A management major at Texas Tech.



J'Koby WILLIAMS

RB | 5-10 | 185 | Jr. | 3rd Yr. | 2L
Beckville, Texas | Beckville HS
Career Games: 24 / Career Starts: 7

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CAREER HONORS

- All-Big 12 Third Team - Returner (2025, So.)
- All-Big 12 Honorable Mention - RB (2025, So.)
- PFF All-Big 12 Team (2025, So.)
- DCTF All-Texas College Second Team (2025, So.)
- Paul Hornung Award Finalist (2025, So.)
- Week 9 Paul Hornung Award Honor Roll - Oct. 28 (2025, So.)
- Big 12 Special Teams Player of the Week - Oct. 27 (2025, So.)

2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

- Combined with Cameron Dickey to form one of the most-dynamic rushing duos in the country as a sophomore ... an all-around threat with the ball in his hands, impacting the game on the ground, in the passing game and as a returner ... appeared in all 14 games on the season while making six starts overall.
- Led the Red Raiders with 1,525 all-purpose yards on the year after totaling 868 yards on the ground, 388 receiving yards, 27 yards on punt returns and 242 as a kick returner ... averaged an impressive 108.9 all-purpose yards to lead the team ... bested Dickey for the team high in all-purpose yards as the Red Raiders were one of two teams nationally (Florida Atlantic) to boast multiple players with 1,300 all-purpose yards on the season but was the lone team to do so with both being running backs ... marked only the seventh time in program history and the first time since 2015 that Texas Tech had two players with at least 1,300 all-purpose yards in the same season ... was the first time, however, that both players were part of the running back room.
- Carried 155 times for 868 yards and six touchdowns on the ground to join with Dickey as the fist pair of 800-yard rushers in the same season in school history ... the Red Raiders were one of only four power conference schools to have multiple running backs with at least 800 rushing yards ... the two helped push Texas Tech to 2,560 rushing yards on the season as a team, its most since joining the Big 12 in 1996 ... the Red Raiders also averaged 182.9 rushing yards per game as a team, their highest average since 2015 and the fourth-highest clip of the Big 12 era.
- Received double-digit carries in eight different games, including in seven contests versus Big 12 foes and in the Capital One Orange Bowl ... rushed for at least 80 yards in four games and hit the 100-yard mark twice, both in Big 12 wins ... totaled more than 100 all-purpose yards in eight different games as well.
- Hauled in 35 passes for 388 yards and two touchdowns through the air thanks to his ability to spread out as a receiver or catch the ball out of the backfield ... had at least one catch in 13 of 14 games and totaled at least 50 receiving yards three times on the year ... one of those resulted in a 100-yard receiving game, the first of his still young collegiate career.
- Limited in his role as a returner following a preseason injury to Quinten Joyner ... made six kick returns over four games, resulting in 242 yards and a touchdown on a 40.3 average ... often placed as a kick or punt returner in key moments beginning midway through Big 12 play ... added three punt returns late in the season for 27 yards.
- Credited with 416 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, which awarded him an 88.4 overall grade ... had the 11th-highest overall offensive grade nationally among running backs with 100 attempts and was eighth among power conference rushers ... received an 87.2 grade as a pass catcher, which ranked fifth among running backs with at least 10 targets and second among power conference rushers ... also had an 88.1 grade as a rusher and a 75.8 in run blocking ... listed with 44 targets by the publication with 35 resulting in a completion, finishing with 466 yards after catch ... able to fend off tacklers, forcing 48 missed tackles, per PFF, resulting in 597 rushing yards.
- AWARDS AND HONORS: an All-Big 12 third team honoree by the conference coaches as a returner and an honorable mention selection as a running back ... tabbed to the All-Big 12 team compiled by Pro Football Focus, which uses its grading system when determining its postseason awards ... member of the All-Texas second team compiled by Dave Campbell's Texas Football ... one of six finalists for the Paul Hornung Award, which recognizes the most-versatile player in college football ... was the lone Big 12 player to be named a finalist for the award ... tabbed the Big 12 Special Teams Player of the Week and to the Paul Hornung Award honor roll after returning a kickoff for a touchdown versus Oklahoma State.
- IN NCAA RANKINGS: ended the season ranked 12th for total all-purpose yards (1,525) and 28th nationally for all-purpose yards per game (108.9) ... averaged

5.60 yards per carry on the season, which ranked 39th overall ... had 12 plays on the year - both on offense and as a returner - that resulted in at least 30 yards, which ranked tied for sixth in the FBS ... carried 10 times for at least 20 yards, which was tied for 29th nationally.

• **IN BIG 12 RANKINGS:** finished second only to BYU's LJ Martin for total all-purpose yards (1,525) in the conference ... was third overall in the league for all-purpose yards per game (108.9) behind only Arizona State's Raleek Brown (120.5) and Martin (120.0) ... ended the year eighth in the league for total rushing yards (868) and was 13th for rushing yards per game (62.0) ... combined for nine touchdowns on the season, which was tied for 11th in the league ... among the most-explosive players in the conference, finishing tied for the league high with 12 all-purpose plays that resulted in at least 30 yards ... was tied for second with six all-purpose plays of at least 40 yards and third with four plays of 50-plus yards.

• **SEASON HIGHLIGHTS:** Opened the season by carrying six times for 56 yards and a touchdown against Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30), finding the end zone via a 5-yard scamper in the second quarter ... had nine carries for 54 yards and three receptions for 35 yards the next week versus Kent State (9/6).

• Closed non-conference play by carrying 13 times for 48 yards and a touchdown versus Oregon State (9/13) to go along with career highs of seven catches for 116 yards and another score ... both touchdowns came in the second quarter via a 30-yard pass from Behren Morton for a 21-0 lead and then a 3-yard rush less than four minutes later ... one of three Red Raiders with at least 100 receiving yards in the win, joining both Terrance Carter Jr. and Coy Eakin ... marked the first time Texas Tech boasted three 100-yard receivers in the same game since Jakeem Grant, Bradley Marquez and DeAndre Washington did so versus Baylor in 2014.

• The win over Oregon State kicked off an eight-game stretch with more than 100 all-purpose yards ... began Big 12 play with 11 carries for 43 yards and two receptions for 71 yards at Utah (9/20) ... performance included a 73-yard reception on Texas Tech's opening drive, the longest of his career ... broke numerous tackles before being downed in the red zone, setting up a Cameron Dickey touchdown run a few plays later for an early 7-0 lead.

• Hit the 100-yard mark for the first time on the season two weeks later at Houston, carrying a career-high 20 times for 109 yards and two touchdowns in the win ... broke the game open with a 5-yard touchdown run early in the second quarter for a 22-3 lead and then found the end zone from only 1-yard out to seal the victory early in the fourth quarter ... marked the first multi-touchdown rushing game of his career and his second overall of his career.

• Followed with nine carries for 48 yards versus Kansas (10/11), three attempts for 22 yards at Arizona State (10/18) and then four carries for 10 yards against Oklahoma State (10/25) ... inserted as a kick returner for the first time versus the Sun Devils, bringing back two attempts for 87 yards thanks to a 31-yard return in the second quarter and a 56-yarder to start the fourth.

• Delivered one of the most-explosive returns of the season a week later versus Oklahoma State, bringing back the opening kick 99 yards for a touchdown ... marked the first kickoff return for a touchdown by a Red Raider since Drae McCray went 100 yards early in the 2023 season versus Houston ... was the first time the Red Raiders returned the opening kickoff for a touchdown since Keke Coutee went 92 yards to start a 2017 win over Baylor ... later scored on the Red Raiders' first play from scrimmage via a 26-yard touchdown reception as part of three catches for 60 yards overall ... named the Big 12 Special Teams Player of the Week and to the Paul Hornung Award honor roll for his performance.

• Proceeded to rush for at least 60 yards in five of the final six games of the season, beginning at Kansas State (11/1) with 17 carries for a career-high 135 yards and a touchdown ... helped the Red Raiders come out of halftime to take a 19-7 lead thanks to a 41-yard touchdown scamper ... returned home for 13 carries for 77 yards and two receptions for 32 yards against BYU (11/8) and then seven carries for 45 yards and for catches for 30 yards versus UCF (11/15) ... returned his first punt of the season against the Knights, resulting in 16 yards ... closed the regular season with 15 carries for 60 yards and a touchdown at West Virginia (11/29) to go along with one punt return for five yards and two catches for 11 yards.

• One of the Red Raiders' top performers in the Edward Jones Big 12 Championship win over BYU (12/6) with 15 carries for 80 yards, including a 23-yard scamper late in the second quarter that led to a late field goal ... rushed 13 times for 81 yards in the Capital One Orange Bowl versus Oregon (1/1) to go along with five catches for 17 yards and two kick returns for 35 yards.

2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

• Emerged as a potential standout at running back following a stellar performance in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl ... appeared in 10 games as a true freshman, making one start, which came versus Arkansas in the bowl game ... joined with fellow true freshman Cameron Dickey as backups to Tahj Brooks throughout the season.



▲ **J'KOBY WILLIAMS (20)** returned a kickoff 99 yards for a touchdown in Texas Tech's 42-0 victory over Oklahoma State last season. He finished with a season-high 169 all-purpose yards in the win and led the Red Raiders with 1,525 all-purpose yards in 2025.

• Likely was destined to redshirt early in the season until a season-ending injury to Cam'Ron Valdez ... member of the scout team the first few weeks of the season ... in fact, tabbed the offensive scout team player of the week following Texas Tech's season-opening win over Abilene Christian (8/31).

• Finished with 236 rushing yards and two touchdowns on the season off 41 carries, which ranked second on the team slightly ahead of Dickey ... bulk of his yardage and carries came in the bowl game, however ... made at least one rush attempt in eight of his 10 games played ... contributed via the passing game in one of the two games without a rushing attempt.

• Threat in the passing game and as a returner, catching 10 passes for 100 yards and a touchdown, while returning 12 kicks for 296 yards (24.7 average) ... was fifth on the team with 63.2 all-purpose yards per game and fifth overall with 632 all-purpose yards on the season.

• Served as Texas Tech's primary kick returner late in Big 12 play following an injury to fellow speedster Drae McCray ... boasted two kick returns of at least 40 yards with one of those pushing the Red Raiders past midfield at 50-plus yards.

• Credited with 118 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus and additional 45 on special teams (all on kick or punt returns) ... received a 75.3 overall grade by PFF, which ranked sixth on the offense ... did not allow a pressure as a pass blocker in his 12 opportunities on the season.

• **IN NCAA RANKINGS:** ended the season tied for 20th in the FBS for kick return average (24.7), just behind Drae McCray (25.4) at No. 14 in the rankings ... Texas Tech was the only FBS school with two returners ranked in the top 20 of the final national rankings ... as a team, the Red Raiders shared the FBS lead with five combined kick returns (between McCray and Williams) that went at least 40 yards ... the Red Raiders were also tied for sixth for kick returns of 30 or more yards (7) and second for 50-plus yard returns (2).

• **IN BIG 12 RANKINGS:** was third in the league for kick return average behind only BYU's Keelan Marion (26.2) and McCray (25.4) ... was one of six returners in the league to have two or more kick returns of at least 40 yards ... as a team, the Red Raiders led the league for kick returns of at least 30 yards (7), 40 yards (5) and shared the conference high for 50 or more yards (3).

• **North Texas (9/14):** made his Red Raider debut with four carries for 27 yards and a touchdown in the win over the Mean Green ... caught one pass for 10 yards in the rout as well ... found the end zone for the first time in his career via a three-yard rushing touchdown with 4:06 remaining in the third quarter ... the touchdown run pushed Texas Tech's lead to 59-14 at the time.

• **Baylor (10/19):** found the end zone via the air against the Bears as part of two catches for 22 yards and a touchdown ... did not have a rushing attempt in the loss ... connected with Behren Morton on an 18-yard reception with 6:31 remaining in regulation for his first career touchdown catch.

• **at TCU (10/26):** saw an increased role offensively with eight carries for 42 yards against the Horned Frogs ... inserted as Texas Tech's primary kick returner for the first time with three returns for 62 yards ... finished with 104 all-purpose yards, marking the first of three games on the season with 100-plus yards.

• **at Iowa State (11/2):** contributed to the win over the ranked Cyclones via four kick returns for 85 yards with a long of 28 yards ... added one carry for one yard and one reception for two yards.

- **Colorado (11/9):** provided a spark in the return game versus the Buffaloes with both of his kick returns going at least 40 yards ... finished with two returns for 103 yards to go along with four carries for 12 yards ... returned the opening kick of the game 46 yards to set up a quick Texas Tech scoring drive that featured a Behren Morton to Jalin Conyers 17-yard touchdown pass only four plays later ... set up another scoring opportunity for the Red Raiders just before halftime with a 57-yard attempt with only 19 seconds remaining ... marked his longest return of the season.
- **at Oklahoma State (11/23):** had only one return for 13 yards in the road win over the Cowboys to go along with two carries for four yards.
- **West Virginia (11/30):** closed the regular season with five carries for 20 yards to go along with two receptions for 30 yards ... called on for two kick returns for 33 yards in the win as well.
- **Arkansas (12/27):** made his first career start in place of Tahj Brooks in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl, finishing with 123 yards and a touchdown off 15 carries, all season highs ... added four catches for 36 yards as well, including one for a season-long 22 yards ... became the first Red Raider true freshman to start at running back since Ta'Zawn Henry did so midway through the 2018 season against TCU ... his 123 rushing yards marked the most by a true freshman in his first career start since Justin Stockton ran for 135 yards versus UTEP in 2014 ... scored the Red Raiders' opening touchdown on a 54-yard touchdown run - his longest of the season - with 11:15 remaining in the second quarter ... averaged 8.2 yards per carry as he and Dickey combined for 199 rushing yards on 30 combined carries.
- **AWARDS AND HONORS:** recognized as the Offensive Player of the Game (visiting team) for the AutoZone Liberty Bowl.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Beckville High School in Beckville, Texas, near the Texas-Louisiana state line ... one of the state's most dynamic rushers throughout high school career ... during four-year run, Beckville won 42 games – a four-year best at any stretch for a school that started playing football back in 1931 ... success included helping the Bearcats to three-straight district titles with all of them coming in undefeated fashion, a first for Beckville.
- Set the school rushing mark with 6,401 yards and 98 touchdowns ... averaged an impressive 12.5 yards per carry on the ground ... primarily split time at running back and as a slot receiver but did play behind center at quarterback during part of his senior year ... threw for 1,348 yards, 17 touchdowns and six interceptions during his career behind center ... on special teams, returned five punts and two kickoffs for a touchdown in his career.
- Combined for 3,116 total yards and 49 touchdowns his senior season alone ... helped push the Bearcats to a 10-2 record and a District 10-2A title following an undefeated 6-0 run through the district slate ... helped push Beckville to the Class 2A Division I area round that same season.
- Single-handedly kept Beckville in its area round game, running for a career-high and school record 303 yards on a career-high 28 carries ... scored all four touchdowns in a 42-28 loss to Garrison, which included touchdown runs of 72, 56 and 52 yards.
- Finished his senior season with 1,901 rushing yards, which ranked second all-time in school history ... his 32 rushing touchdowns set a program record, breaking the previous mark by former teammate Ryan Harris, who rushed for 31 in 2020.
- Voted the unanimous District 10-2A MVP following both his junior and senior seasons ... tabbed one of 25 semifinalists for the Mr. Texas Football award by Dave Campbell's Texas Football ... named the Built Ford Tough 2A Player of the Week following six touchdowns, in four different ways, in the Bearcats' 69-14 victory over Big Sandy ... recognized as a second-team All-State honoree by Padilla Poll and an honorable mention selection as a quarterback by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA) his senior season.
- Garnered first team All-State accolades by the TSWA following his 2022 junior season ... registered 2,408 all-purpose yards and 39 touchdowns as a junior ... also tabbed to the first ever THSCA Super Elite Team following junior season.
- A TSWA Class 2A second team All-State kick returner and an honorable mention All-State pick at running back his sophomore season ... credited in helping lift the program to a 10-4 record his freshman season, its best record in two decades.
- Three-sport athlete for Beckville, starring in both basketball and track and field in addition to football ... twice named to the Class 2A All-Region team on the hardwood ... three-time state champion in the 110-meter hurdles during high school career at the Class 2A level ... set a new personal record to complete the three-peat, clocking in at 14.19 to win the gold medal as a senior ... previously posted a 14.41 time to win the state title as a sophomore before being clocked at 14.26 as a junior.
- Five-time state champion overall, also winning gold in the 300-meter hurdles as a sophomore in 2022 and in the triple jump as a junior in 2023 ... set a personal record in the 300-meter hurdles, finishing at 39.21 to sweep the hurdle events as a

sophomore ... measured at 45' 11.75 in the triple jump to win the Class 2A ranks his junior year ... placed third at the state meet three other times during his career - in the 4x200 relay as a sophomore, in the 300-meter hurdles as a junior and in the 4x200 relay as a senior ... qualified for the state meet in both the long jump and the 4x400 meter relay as only a freshman in 2021, finishing fifth overall in both events.

- Tabbed a four-star prospect by On3, ranking 27th nationally among running backs and at No. 55 among prospects from the state of Texas ... considered a three-star recruit by Rivals, ESPN and 247Sports ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Baylor, Houston, LSU, Michigan, SMU, TCU, Texas and UCF, among others.

PERSONAL

- J'Koby Williams ... son of Dexter and Amber Prince ... has three siblings - an older brother, Jay, a younger brother, Jordan and a younger sister, Kenzie.
- Related to former NFL linebacker, Demorrio Williams, who played in 138 games over a nine-year professional career with the Atlanta Falcons, Kansas City Chiefs and San Diego Chargers.
- A sports management major at Texas Tech.

PARTICIPATION	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	10/1	14/6	24/7

CAREER STATS

RUSHING	G	Att	Yds	TD	Lg	Avg/C	Avg/G
2024	10	41	236	2	54	5.8	23.6
2025	14	155	868	6	50	5.6	62.0
Totals	24	196	1,104	8	54	5.6	46.0

RECEIVING	G	Rec	Yds	TD	Lg	Rec/G	Avg/C	Avg/G
2024	10	10	100	1	22	1.0	10.0	10.0
2025	14	35	388	2	73	2.5	11.1	27.7
Totals	24	45	488	3	73	1.9	10.8	20.3

ALL PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KR	IR	Total	Avg/G
2024	10	236	100	0	298	0	632	63.2
2025	14	868	388	27	242	0	1,525	108.9
Totals	24	1,104	488	27	538	0	2,157	89.9

2025 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	GS	Rush	Yds	TD	Lg	Rec	Yds	TD	Lg
Ark-Pine Bluff		6	56	1	20	1	-1	0	0
Kent State	*	9	54	0	20	3	35	0	30
Oregon State	*	13	48	1	10	7	116	1	39
at Utah	*	11	43	0	12	2	71	0	73
at Houston		20	109	2	23	2	6	0	6
Kansas		9	48	0	15	0	0	0	0
at Arizona State		3	22	0	19	1	8	0	8
Oklahoma State	*	4	10	0	3	3	60	1	37
at Kansas State	*	17	135	1	41	2	5	0	6
BYU		13	77	0	43	2	32	0	25
UCF		7	45	0	23	4	30	0	14
at West Virginia		15	60	1	26	2	11	0	6
vs. BYU		15	80	0	23	1	-2	0	0
vs. Oregon	*	13	81	0	50	5	17	0	6
Totals		155	868	6	50	35	388	2	73

2024 GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	GS	Rush	Yds	TD	Lg	Rec	Yds	TD	Lg
Abilene Christian		DNP							
at Washington State		DNP							
North Texas		4	27	1	12	1	10	0	10
Arizona State		2	7	0	5	0	0	0	0
Cincinnati		DNP							
at Arizona		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Baylor		0	0	0	0	2	22	1	18
at TCU		8	42	0	13	0	0	0	0
at Iowa State		1	1	0	1	1	2	0	2
Colorado		4	12	0	6	0	0	0	0
at Oklahoma State		2	4	0	3	0	0	0	0
West Virginia		5	20	0	11	2	30	0	18
vs. Arkansas	*	15	123	1	54	4	36	0	22
Totals		41	236	2	54	10	100	1	22



Keyshawn WILLIAMS

DL | 6-3 | 315 | Jr. | 3rd Yr.
Houston, Texas | Dekaney HS
Career Games: 7 / Career Starts: 0

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2025 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

• Saw action in three games as a sophomore, all during non-conference play ... credited with one pressure by Pro Football Focus over 27 defensive snaps against Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30), Kent State (9/6) and Oregon State (9/13) ... scout team member ... recognized as the defensive scout team player of the week following Texas Tech's win over Oregon State.

2024 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

• Appeared in each of the last four games as a freshman either on the defensive line or on Texas Tech's field goal block unit ... made his collegiate debut versus Colorado (11/9) and proceeded to see time at Oklahoma State (11/23) and versus both West Virginia (11/30) and Arkansas (12/27) in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl.
• Scout team member ... praised as one of Texas Tech's top developmental players of the season.

HIGH SCHOOL

• Attended Dekaney High School in the greater Houston area ... a two-way athlete at the Class 6A level as both an offensive and defensive lineman ... will focus primarily on the interior defensive line with the Red Raiders.
• Helped lead the Wildcats to the Class 6A playoffs both his junior and senior seasons, including an appearance in the Division II regional semifinals in 2022 ... tabbed a first team All-District 14-6A selection as both an offensive and defensive lineman his senior season ... registered 32 tackles, 17.5 of them for a loss, 4.5 sacks and forced six fumbles as a senior ... was a second team All-District 14-6A honoree on the offensive line as a junior.
• Three-sport athlete as a member the basketball and track and field programs.
• Listed as a three-star prospect coming out of high school by both On3 and 247Sports ... chose to attend Tech over offers from Rice and Marshall, among others.

PERSONAL

• Keyshawn Williams ... son of Kasey Williams and Theshia Kawah ... has one younger sibling, Seriyana.
• A leadership studies major at Texas Tech.



Sheridan WILSON

OL | 6-5 | 300 | Sr. | 5th Yr. | 2L
Argyle, Texas | Argyle HS
Career Games: 29 / Career Starts: 27

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CAREER HONORS

• All-Big 12 Third Team (2025, Sr.)
• Rimington Trophy Watch List (2025, Sr.)
• Shrine Bowl 1000 (2025, Sr.)

2026 SEASON (FIFTH-YEAR SENIOR)

• Already named a captain ahead of his 2026 senior season, his fifth as a Red Raider ... joined by linebacker Ben Roberts as the first two Red Raiders to earn a "C" on their jersey during spring practices ... strong candidate for Rimington Trophy with no sacks allowed over his career.

2025 SEASON (SENIOR)

• Staple in the middle of Texas Tech's offensive line for a second-consecutive season ... started all 14 games for the Red Raiders at center, marking the second-consecutive season to start in every game ... will enter his fifth and final season IN 2026 among Texas Tech's most-experienced players with 27 career starts.
• Did not allow a sack for a second-consecutive season, according to Pro Football Focus ... allowed only four pressures overall over 505 pass-blocking opportunities, making him one of only two power conference centers to allow four or fewer pressures on the season with no sacks, joining Florida State's Luke Petitbon ... cut his pressures allowed down significantly from his debut season in 2024, going from 12 pressures allowed to only four.
• Received the highest pass-blocking grade in the country by PFF among centers with at least 500 offensive snaps ... had a 90.9 pass-blocking grade that was the highest of his career ... heads into his senior season with no sacks allowed over

1,087 career offensive snaps per PFF, placing him in a select category among the top centers in college football.

• Credited with 962 offensive snaps by PFF, which led the team ... total number of offensive snaps ranked ninth nationally among FBS centers and led the Big 12 ... in fact, led all Big 12 players, regardless of position, for total offensive snaps.
• Leader for a Red Raider offense that finished seventh for scoring at 39.4 points per game, the highest single-season average since Patrick Mahomes II's final season at quarterback in 2016 ... the Red Raiders were also 10th nationally for total offense (461.4 yards per game), 15th for passing yards a game (278.5) and 33rd for rushing yards per game (182.9) ... balance allowed the Red Raiders to be the lone Big 12 program and one of seven nationally to boast 3,500 passing yards and 2,500 rushing yards in the season.
• **AWARDS AND HONORS:** an All-Big 12 third team honoree by the conference coaches ... tabbed to the preseason watch list for the Rimington Trophy ... also recognized for his pro potential as a member of the Shrine Bowl 1,000 list.

2024 SEASON (JUNIOR)

• Earned the starting job at center out of preseason camp ... started at center in all 13 games, joining only fellow offensive lineman Caleb Rogers as well as wide receiver Caleb Douglas as the only offensive players to do so ... one of seven players on the entire team to start in all 13 games.
• Did not allow a single sack in his 581 pass-blocking opportunities on the season according to Pro Football Focus ... allowed only 13 pressures altogether with three quarterback hits and 10 hurries ... marked the second-lowest total on the team for pressures allowed behind only Davion Carter's eight pressures ... finished with a 98.9 pass-blocking efficiency rating that was second on the offensive line only behind Carter (90.0).
• Received an 87.1 grade as a pass blocker by PFF, which ranked fourth nationally among centers with at least 500 snaps ... trailed only the likes of Luke Petitbon of Wake Forest (89.4), Jacob Gardner of Colorado State (88.6) and Jakai Clark of SMU (88.5) ... of that group, only Petitbon will return to college football for the 2025 season as he transferred to Florida State for his final year of eligibility.
• Credited with 1,021 offensive snaps by PFF, which ranked second on the team only behind Caleb Rogers (1,025) ... was the second-highest total among centers nationally ... trailed only Jake Majors of Texas who played in three more games.
• Part of an offense that ultimately finished in the top 10 nationally for scoring, total yards per game and passing yards per game ... the Red Raiders averaged 37.6 points per game, their highest average at the time since when Patrick Mahomes II was quarterback in 2016 and Texas Tech averaged 43.7 points a contest.
• **AWARDS AND HONORS:** recognized for his work in the classroom as part of the Academic All-Big 12 first team.

2023 SEASON (SOPHOMORE)

• Served as Texas Tech's backup center during his second season on campus ... appeared in two games overall against Tarleton State (9/16) and in the Radiance Technologies Independence Bowl versus Cal (12/16) ... inserted late against Tarleton State for his collegiate debut.

2022 SEASON (FRESHMAN)

• Did not see any game action as a freshman ... was often an injury away from playing time late in the season as a key backup to Dennis Wilburn at center ... scout team member.



▲ **SHERIDAN WILSON**, who enters 2026 having started 27-consecutive games at center, has already been named a team captain ahead of his senior season. He is one of three returning starters from Tech's 2025 offensive line.

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TEXAS TECH

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Argyle High School in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex ... helped lead Argyle to a perfect 16-0 record and the Class 4A Division I state title his junior season ... helped push Argyle to the regional finals his senior season.
- Tabbed the District 7-4A Offensive Lineman of the Year each of his junior and senior seasons ... garnered first-team All-State honors as a senior by the Texas Sports Writers Association (TSWA) ... invited to play in the Under Armour All-American game following his senior season.
- Recognized for his work in the classroom as well as an Academic All-State honorable mention recipient.
- Consensus three-star prospect by Rivals, 247Sports and ESPN ... **CHOSE TEXAS TECH OVER:** Arizona State, Colorado, Memphis, San Diego State, TCU and Washington State, among others.

PERSONAL

- Sheridan Wilson ... son of Jon and Lacey Wilson ... father is a graduate of Auburn and the chief financial officer for a local non-profit organization ... mother is a graduate of UCF.
- Father was a four-year letterwinner and four-year starter for Auburn from 1988-92 ... has an older brother, Preston, and a younger brother, Carter ... Preston Wilson wrapped his collegiate career as an offensive lineman at Oklahoma State following the 2024 season.
- Earned his undergraduate degree in information technology from Texas Tech in Dec. 2025 ... currently seeking a graduate certificate in essentials of business.

PARTICIPATION	2022	2023	2024	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	0/0	2/0	13/13	14/14	29/27



Cam WYATT
CB | 5-10 | 165 | Fr. | 1st Yr.
Houston, Texas | Langham Creek HS

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HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended Langham Creek High School in Houston, Texas ... was a first team All-District 16-6A defensive back under head coach Todd Thompson ... helped push Langham Creek to a 6-4 season as a senior.
- Recorded 49 tackles (39 solo), including one for a loss, to go along with an interception, seven pass breakups, a fumble recovery and one forced fumble during senior season ... played several positions throughout prep career, namely safety, cornerback, quarterback, running back ... assisted on special teams as a kick and punt returner as well.
- Two-sport athlete as a member of the Langham Creek track and field program.
- Initially committed to Norfolk State before joining the Red Raiders in the summer of 2026 as one of the final roster additions.

PERSONAL

- Cameron Wyatt Jr. ... prefers to go by Cam Wyatt ... born and raised in Houston, Texas ... son to Cameron Wyatt Sr. and Kerra Glass ... has eight siblings.
- Intends to major in chemical engineering at Texas Tech.



Hunter ZAMBRANO
OL | 6-5 | 300 | R-Sr. | 7th Yr. (2nd at Tech)
Weston, Fla. | University School | Illinois State
Career Games: 32 / Career Starts: 26

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CAREER AWARDS & HONORS

- All-MVFC 2nd-Team (2023, Jr.)
- MVFC Offensive Lineman of the Week (9/26/2023, Jr.)
- MVFC Offensive Lineman of the Week (9/12/2023, Jr.)

2025 SEASON (SIXTH-YEAR SENIOR)

- Limited to only three games played due to injury ... slated to compete for Texas Tech's starting right tackle position before injuries halted his progress throughout preseason camp ... saw action in wins over Arkansas-Pine Bluff (8/30), Kent State (9/6) and in the Big 12 opener at Utah (9/20) ... received a medical hardship waiver, providing him a seventh season of eligibility in 2026.
- Joined the Red Raiders prior to spring practices as a mid-year enrollee ... was the Red Raiders' first portal commitment in the winter cycle, signing with Texas

Tech as the No. 5-ranked offensive tackle from the transfer portal and the No. 38 overall portal prospect.

PRIOR TO TEXAS TECH

- Began collegiate career in 2020 at Illinois State, playing in 30 career games for the Redbirds with 26 starts, mainly at left tackle ... among the top offensive linemen at the FCS level as a junior in 2023, earning All-MVFC conference honors before suffering a season-ending injury two games into his 2024 senior season ... opted to enter the transfer portal and extend career into a sixth year via the NCAA blanket waiver from the 2020 COVID year.
- Credited with 1,637 offensive snaps over his career by Pro Football Focus with vast majority coming at left tackle (1,585) ... allowed only seven sacks and just 30 pressures over 874 pass blocking opportunities over his career, according to the publication.
- **2024 SEASON (FIFTH-YEAR SENIOR at ILLINOIS STATE):** redshirt season ... played in the first two games before suffering a season-ending injury (hip) ... made starts at left tackle at Iowa (8/31) and North Alabama (9/7) ... was previously listed on the preseason All-America first team compiled by Phil Steele entering the year ... was also a nominee for the William V. Campbell Trophy presented by the National Football Foundation.
- **2023 SEASON (SENIOR at ILLINOIS STATE):** named an All-MVFC second team selection after a standout year ... started all 11 games at left tackle for an offensive line that allowed the fewest sacks in the MVFC ... the Redbirds surrendered just seven sacks as a team, ranking in the top five nationally at the end of the year ... was a two-time MVFC Offensive Lineman of the Week selection.
- Graded out as the team's top offensive lineman at over 90 percent by the coaching staff ... received a 79.3 overall grade by Pro Football Focus, which included an 88.1 grade as a pass blocker ... ranked sixth by the publication as a pass blocker among FCS offensive linemen with at least 300 offensive snaps ... was the 17th highest-graded overall offensive lineman at the FCS level that same season ... credited with only one sack allowed over 381 pass blocking opportunities on the season by PFF ... listed with 686 offensive snaps that season.
- **2022 SEASON (JUNIOR at ILLINOIS STATE):** played in eight games with seven starts at left tackle for the Redbirds ... posted the second-highest team grade in six of eight games played ... credited with 473 offensive snaps by Pro Football Focus, allowing only one sack and seven pressures over 257 pass blocking opportunities ... lone sack allowed came in the season opener at Wisconsin (9/3) ... missed three of the final five games of the season.
- **2021 SEASON (SOPHOMORE at ILLINOIS STATE):** appeared in nine games while making six starts ... started the final five games of the year and six of the last seven overall at left tackle for the Redbirds ... made his first career start at No. 7 Southern Illinois (9/25) ... totaled 381 offensive snaps according to Pro Football Focus, surrendering three sacks and nine pressures over 184 pass blocking opportunities.
- **2020 SEASON (FRESHMAN at ILLINOIS STATE):** the Redbirds' 2020 season was pushed to the spring of 2021 due to the COVID pandemic ... did not see any game action.

HIGH SCHOOL

- Attended University High School in Florida ... school is commonly known as University School or simply U-School due to its location on the campus of Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale.
- Two-year varsity starter for the Sharks ... earned second team All-County honors as a senior after helping lead the Sharks to the regional semifinals of the Class 4A RHSAA playoffs ... previously helped push University School to a state championship as a sophomore.
- Listed as a three-star prospect by both Rivals and 247Sports ... chose Illinois State over offers from Charleston Southern, Southern Miss and Jacksonville State, among others.

PERSONAL

- Hunter Zambrano ... born and raised in Weston, Florida ... son of Gus and Heather Zambrano ... has an older brother, Zack.
- Earned a bachelor's degree from Illinois State in interdisciplinary studies and earned a graduate certificate in sports communication at Texas Tech in the fall of 2025 ... currently enrolled in non-degree-seeking post-baccalaureate studies.

PARTICIPATION	2020*	2021*	2022*	2023*	2024*	2025	CAREER
GP/GS	0/0	9/6	8/7	11/11	2/2	2/0	32/26

* at Illinois State