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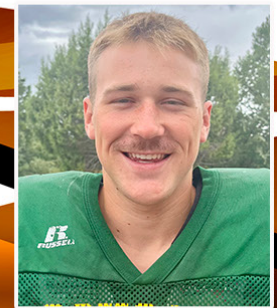
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## THE ENGINE POWERING THE MAGAZINE, WE SALUTE THE KUKULSKI BROTHERS

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There is no Sollenberger Magazine without the Kukulskis.

Arizona high school sports historian Barry Sollenberger started this magazine, and close friend Dave Kukulski and his family helped publish it when it launched in the early 1970s. But during the last four months, the Kukulskis have been mourning the loss of three very extraordinary gentlemen.

The incomparable Kukulski brothers, Dave, 71, Dan, 64, and Larry, 67, passed away during that span. Larry died of natural causes in March, and Dave and Dan passed away in June and July, respectively, after brave battles with cancer.

As vendors of high school championship souvenirs and programs, they became a national force. But more importantly they were the bedrocks of their close-knit families.

Plus, everybody who worked for them was valued.

"The important thing is that Kukulski Brothers didn't just have blood family," said Chris, Dan's son. "Our employees, our family in general, we spent countless hours together in the office and on the road going to the next event. So you get an opportunity to really get to know one another on a very personal level. So the employees of the Kukulski brothers were always considered extended family."

The entrepreneurial efforts of Dave initiated the family business with a publishing company.

Dave and Sollenberger eventually teamed up to start Sollenberger's AZ Football Prep Magazine, originally named Phoenix Metro Magazine. This year marks the 52nd edition of the magazine the trailblazers founded.



The magazine didn't make a profit until the 1990s, but making money wasn't Sollenberger's goal, Dave said after Sollenberger died in 2005. Celebrating Arizona's prep athletes and the state's extensive football history were Sollenberger's objectives.

Every high school football team in Arizona is mentioned in this year's magazine. A story Sollenberger and Dave printed in 1993 on Gilbert High winning a title 50 years ago also is in this edition.

After Sollenberger died, Dave and his family continued publishing the magazine, but no one knew as much about Arizona's high school sports landscape than Sollenberger. In 2014, a year after the magazine wasn't published, AZPreps365 contacted Dave about relaunching to an online version of the magazine.

Dan led the Kukulski Brothers' T-shirt business he started. Larry was a sought after vintage motorcycle expert but eventually also helped the family business thrive.

At one point, the Kukulskis were producing the most high school state championship programs in the nation. This year, we are dedicating the Sollenberger magazine to the Kukulskis and their employees and honored to continue an important part of their legacy.

"Hold the ones close to you, and cherish those moments because you only have today," Chris said. "You don't have to worry about tomorrow."



From left to right: Dave, Dan and Larry. (Kukulski family photo)

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# GAME OF THE WEEK

PRESENTED BY



**AUG  
18**

**Thatcher**  
**@ Paradise Honors**  
Kickoff 6:30 PM

**AUG  
25**

**Sandra Day O'Connor**  
**@ Chaparral**

**SEPT  
01**

**Highland**  
**@ Basha**

**SEPT  
08**

**Perry**  
**@ Millennium**

**SEPT  
15**

**Globe**  
**@ Miami**

**SEPT  
22**

**Desert Edge**  
**@ Sunnyslope**

**SEPT  
29**

**Yuma Catholic**  
**vs. St. Mary's**  
@ Phoenix College

**OCT  
06**

**ALA-Gilbert North**  
**@ Higley**

**OCT  
13**

**Desert Vista**  
**vs. Brophy Prep**  
@ Central High School

**OCT  
20**

**Mountain Pointe**  
**@ Salpointe Catholic**

**OCT  
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**Centennial**  
**@ Pinnacle**

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# ARIZONA GETTING DOWNRIGHT DEFENSIVE: HERE COMES THE YEAR OF THE EDGE RUSHER

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The Power 5 conferences may be dwindling, but Arizona is still home to a Power 5 of its own this season.

It's a collection of gifted seniors playing the same position, and they aren't quarterbacks. Although Arizona's time in the sun for producing first-rate high school quarterbacks continues.

But as offenses have evolved in the 2000s so too have the defenses. There is a position in particular that's stirring up trouble for Arizona offenses: defensive ends.

Eight-time Pro Bowler Cameron Jordan (Chandler High), four-time Pro Bowler Everson Griffin (Agua Fria) and other NFL edge rushers with Arizona high school roots have stalked backfields this century. This season's crop of high-caliber defensive ends is special, perhaps the best Arizona has cultivated in a single year.

Meet Arizona's Fearsome Fivesome who will wreak havoc this year: Centennial's Noah Carter, Yuma Catholic's Jackson Jones, Brophy's Mardale Rowe, Salpointe's Elijah Rushing, and Desert Edge's Deshawn Warner.

The future Power 5 student-athletes may live in different parts of the state, but they know and respect each other.

"They were put in this position for a reason," said Rushing, considered the nation's No. 1 ranked edge rusher in the 2024 class. "They've proved themselves. They've earned this spot to be where they are. I feel like God doesn't bless these type of people unless they deserve it."

Each of them was also blessed with tools to succeed, but the amount of time they've spent sharpening them has also allowed them to set themselves apart.

Some were also strengthened by obstacles they've faced. With all of them, their dedicated parents sacrificed a lot to help them successfully navigate the ups and downs.

AZPreps365 caught up with them this summer to discover how each edge rusher gained an ... edge.

"I think the defensive end has probably been one of the most overlooked positions in the state despite the huge amount of success that our players have had at the college and NFL levels," said former scout and current Brophy Prep coach Jason Jewell. "As our population continues to grow, I think it's only natural to see more and more edge rushers come out of the state."

## Centennial's Noah Carter

Measurables: 6-3, 220

College commitment: Washington

Quotable: "He has a great first step," Centennial coach Richard Taylor said. "He has what all great pass rushers have. It's almost like he's saying, 'I've got to get to him (QB). I've got to get to him' when he's on the field. Other kids are good and get to the QB occasionally. But there's something in him that just needs to get to that quarterback."

Playing on the edge fits Noah Carter's personality.

He loves the freedom that comes with playing the position and having a good time.

"I'm outgoing," Carter said. "I love my teammates. I'm very close with them, and when you are comfortable with your teammates it's all fun."

But it wasn't all fun and games two seasons ago for Carter and his buddies.

That's when Centennial finished 3-8, the first time the Peoria program ended a campaign with a losing record in the 2000s. But last year proved to be pivotal for the Coyotes and Carter.

During a film session, coaches noticed that Carter, then a safety, kept looking in the backfield. So the coaches moved him up permanently, and he took off, finishing second in 6A with 14 sacks.

He also helped his program rebound big-time by reaching the Open Division, where Carter continued to impress despite a loss to Chandler.

"(Carter) is an excellent player," said Chandler coach Rick Garretson. "He played both offense and defense versus us in the playoffs. He had the speed to take a scoop and score 80 yards in our opening drive of the

second half. You must account for him in protections, and he has the skillset to drop into coverage. He's definitely one of the top players in the Arizona high school football."

Carter also wound up leading the Coyotes in most receiving categories last year.

His versatility, sideline-to-sideline pursuit and doggedness will be on display once again this year.

"Just a dog and a knack to get to the quarterback every play," said Carter about why he's one of the best in the state.

Studying the opposition is another reason. Most of his big plays resulted from film watching, he said.

"It's like cheating," Carter said.

The good times for Carter might continue even after the football season.

Centennial fans may get to see the senior play basketball so he can "enjoy his last year and be free until it's a business."

More on the business part in a bit.

COVID stole some of Carter's zest for life in 2020, when his grandmother, Sylvia Milton, died from a COVID-related illness. The two were really close.

"I miss her being around and her personality," he said. "She was fun. She would cook for us. She was just being a grandmother. I miss that." Milton's grandson is honoring her by excelling on the field, and others have noticed.

The sought after recruit picked Washington over Texas and Louisville. Next season is when football becomes a business for him.

But expect the fun to still carry on, just in a different setting.

"I feel like (the Seattle area) is like Arizona, but with a whole bunch of water," Carter said. "The opportunity out there is crazy."

## Yuma Catholic's Jaxson Jones

Measurables: 6-3, 225



Off the field, Noah Carter is all fun and games. On the field, it's a different story. (Paul Campbell photo/MaxPreps)

## College commitment: University of Oregon

Quotable: "Jackson's speed sets him apart," Yuma Catholic coach Rhett Stallworth said. "He can run. He has strong hips and great bend coming off the edge. He is very difficult to block."

A starting point for Jaxson Jones' physical exploits came when he was just two years old.

That's when his dad, Daniel, had his son drag a trash bag outside to the trash can. As cars drove by, drivers gave Daniel the are-you-crazy looks during the hot summer day.

You'll see, Daniel told himself. Fast forward to today, and Jones is now bulked up and trashing offensive linemen on his way to bagging another sack (17 last year).

He's also reached celebrity status in Yuma but remains humble.

"Once you let it get to your head that's when you lose focus and things start going south," Jones said. "I want to stay level-headed and keep working. The job is not done."



Presently, he's concentrating on gaining weight before he arrives in Eugene.

His mom Leslie's fettuccine alfredo plates are helping him reach his goal of 240 pounds. His dad is helping him on the muscle and dedication sides.

They wake up early and lift before Jones is off to Yuma Catholic and Daniels to his day laborer job at a solar field in Blythe. When they return home, Jones and Daniels usually lift again.

"Discipline, hard work, having a routine," said Jones about his dad's important lessons.

Whatever Jones needs, Daniel is present.

"I'm willing to die for him (Jones)," Daniel said. "I'm willing to sacrifice whatever I have to do. I'm here. Just show me the dedication and the want ... win, lose or draw."

It's been that way since Jones lived in Blythe, a California city near the Arizona border drivers pass on their way to California's destinations.

When Jones outgrew the competition in Blythe, the Jacksons moved to Imperial City, Calif., about an hour's drive west of Yuma. Daniels was raised in Blythe and starred at the University of Utah as a receiver before playing professionally for a couple of seasons.

Jones grew up playing basketball as well, and during a club game Daniels spoke with a coach based in Yuma. That conversation led to the family calling Yuma home before Jones' freshman year.

Jones said he loves playing for coach Rhett Stallworth and Yuma Catholic and wants to give them something more to remember before Oregon becomes his home.

Twenty-five sacks and 100 tackles. That's the goal for this year. And if a 4A title ring is collected along the way, so be it.

"I just want to give my all every game," he said.

#### Brophy's Mardale Rowe



Oregon commit Jaxson Jones and his parents, Leslie and Daniel, are all in when it comes to his future. (Photo courtesy of the Jones family.)

#### Measurables: 6-3, 230

#### College commitment: Has 18 offers, including ASU and Cal

Quotable: "He has long arms and good functional strength," Brophy coach Jason Jewell said. "Length is a desirable trait when it comes to a DL. He can get his hands in the chest of OLs to gain control. If his hands are on you first, it's over."

Tough times don't last. Tough people do.

It's a phrase Rowe and his mom, Jennifer Rhodes, repeat to themselves when doors close on them. After Brophy Prep suffered another stinging close defeat last season, this time in the first round of the playoffs, Rowe and Rhodes had a heart-to-heart chat during the car ride home.

Tough times don't last. Tough people do.

Rowe only took a day off after that disappointing loss and went to work, gaining 15 pounds this offseason.

"What I was doing wasn't cutting it," said the senior who already had D-I offers. "I had to kick it into another gear."

"I have complete trust in my mom. I knew I could talk to her."

Rhodes had Rowe when she was just 17 while living in Milwaukee. Looking for a fresh start, Rhodes eventually moved to Goodyear along with Rowe and a younger son. Currently, she is working two full-time jobs with no days off, she said.

"I do it for my children," Rhodes said. "I do it for them to have the opportunities that I didn't. I want them to see that if you work hard you can have the life that you want."

Rowe wound up attending Brophy Prep after a conversation Rhodes had with a friend, the mom of 2022 Broncos basketball star Arman Madi.

When he was 10, Rowe almost dropped football for another passion, basketball. But a concussion he suffered while playing basketball led him back to football without any regrets.

"I've never once gotten hurt in football," he said.

Rowe is now dishing out the punishment thanks in part to his speed and power (440-pound back squat).

But there's another Brophy Prep bookend that'll keep opposing coaches up at night scheming, Devan Kennedy, an Iowa commit. Rowe is weighing his D-I college options and anxious for the season to start.

Besides wanting to help the Broncos make a playoff run, the workaholic wants to break the school's career sack record (needs about five) and increase his career school record tackles for loss (33.5 in his first two varsity seasons).

Rooting for him to reach his goals will be his very supportive mom.

"I'm proud that Mardale never gives up no matter how tough and discouraging it might be," Rhodes said. "He is always going to put in the effort to work harder and make himself better each and every day."



Mardale Rowe and his mom, Jennifer Rhodes, make a great team. (Photo courtesy of Brophy's Patty Kennedy.)

#### Salpointe's Elijah Rushing

#### Measurables: 6-5, 250

#### College commitment: University of Arizona

Quotable: "There have been many times (in practice) that I have to say, 'OK. You have to come out. You can't go full speed right now,'" Salpointe coach Eric Rogers said. "But I'm good with him having one speed and that's Mach 1 with his hair on fire."

For Elijah Rushing, the gridiron is an extension of the classroom, and he sits up front, soaking up every lesson.

The student of the game isn't relying on just his physical attributes (wingspan is almost seven feet). Every detail matters to Arizona's highest rated high school defensive end since Everson Griffen, who graduated from Agua Fria 16 years ago.

"My son is a sponge for information," said Rushing's dad, George, a former University of Florida tight end.

Rushing learned some valuable lessons at the school of hard knocks. When his son was an underclassman, George took Rushing to camps in Florida, Texas and elsewhere to face the best of the best. Rushing took his lumps but also handed some out.

Word then went out that the young man fit the description of his last name and then some. Besides his father, Rushing also had another great teacher at home, Cruz, his brother, a University of Arizona safety.

Rushing adopted his brother's strong work ethic, he said. With the guidance of another guru, Salpointe Catholic strength and conditioning coach Carla Garrett, Rushing can hang clean 295 pounds.

For a player his size, that shows just how flexible and explosive he is. The student is mastering his craft and appreciating every minute of it.

"Out-thinking and out-strategizing your opponent, there's an art to it," he said.

There's another Rushing who is blazing a trail, Michelle, Rushing's sister.

Not long after Rushing made a big announcement, Michelle won a silver medal in the 80 meter hurdles in the 11-12 age group at the USATF National Junior Olympics Championships. And speaking of blazing a trail, Rushing did just that by committing to the University of Arizona.



It's rare for Arizona's five stars to stay home. Rushing may be the defensive player with the biggest profile to stay home since Terrell Suggs went to Arizona State after graduating from Hamilton in 2000.

Rushing wants to prove a point and represent a community that takes great pride in fully backing him.

"To have a city (Tucson) that's behind me, and have people that deserve to be recognized that this city produced, it's big for me that I can be that guy that can hold up the flag and take the city to heights it hasn't reached yet," he said.



Salpointe Catholic's Elijah Rushing's (No. 99) brother, Cruz (No. 20), dad, George, and younger brother, David, are at home during a trip to University of Arizona. (Photo courtesy of Rushing family.)

#### Desert Edge's Deshawn Warner

**Measurables: 6-4, 215**

**College commitment: Kansas**

*Quotable: "What makes DJ stand out is his ability to persevere," Desert Edge co-head coach Marcus Carter said. "DJ has had every reason to quit his dream of playing college football, but he stuck to it. Even when things got bad for him, he stuck through it."*

Sitting next to Deshawn Warner in a wheelchair was his mom, Shalonda, during his college commitment announcement in a packed community building.

Since May, Shalonda hasn't been able to walk. Doctors are still trying to zero in on a cause, she said. But missing her son's big commitment day wasn't an option.

"She's molded me to be the person I am and why I work so hard, because I've seen her work so hard herself," Warner said. "We haven't received any handouts. She's the reason I'm here today."

Watching her son succeed is helping lift her spirits.

"It definitely has," she said.

Warner is helping his mom as much as possible at home, doing therapy sessions on their own after Warner lifts his mom from her wheelchair.

"He's been a big help," Shalonda said. "He's been my rock, which I don't think he knows. He helps keep me going."

It's hard to believe, but Warner almost didn't go the defensive route.

The senior was a wide receiver all through his youth playing days. He played his share of reps on the edge but "defensive ends don't get much love," so he thought.

That changed when Desert Edge's coaching staff suggested he'd be better suited for defensive end when Warner was a freshman. He was given a day's notice to prepare for his first varsity game at his new position.

"I was hesitant at first," Warner said.

But after his baptism by fire he quickly warmed up to his new position and flourished.

In his first game he pressured the quarterback out of bounds and learned that defenders are appreciated after all. And they can still score.

As a sophomore he jumped a drag route late in a game, picked off the pass and scored the eventual game-winning touchdown. His offseason work has also propelled him to new heights.

Warner credits former Desert Edge All-State players Gavin Broschious (Michigan State), Adryan Lara (Kansas State) and Steven Ortiz (University of Massachusetts) for his structured offseason workout regimen. Warner also participates in track and field, becoming a state qualifier in the triple jump and shot put.

Those sports took his explosiveness to another level, he said. Off the field, aside from his mom, his grandmother, Marlyn Gardner, and uncle, Marcus Rollins, also kept a watchful eye on him, Warner said.

Warner and his dad, who just got out of prison, are mending their relationship, he said. After this season, Warner will play for the University of Kansas along with current teammates cornerback Aundre Gibson, his cousin, and linebacker/safety Jonathan Kamara.

"It was a surreal day," said the mild mannered Warner about his commitment day. "It's a day I'm dreamed about all of my life. I've seen guys do that since I was a kid. I couldn't have imagined it any better. But it didn't feel like an end. It felt like the beginning of my journey."



Desert Edge's Deshawn Warner and mom, Shalonda. (Photo courtesy of Warner family.)

#### Defensive Dominance

Arizona's high schools have produced quite a stellar group of defensive ends in the 2000s. Here are some of the big names:

- Everson Griffin (Agua Fria): Four-time Pro Bowler with Minnesota Vikings.
- Cam Jordan (Chandler): Eight-time Pro Bowler.
- Dion Jordan (Chandler): Third overall pick in 2013 NFL draft.
- Devon Kennard (Desert Vista): Played in NFL from 2014-2022.
- Trent Murphy (Brophy): Played in NFL from 2014-2020.
- Bralen Trice (Sandra Day O'Connor): Named University of Washington's Defensive Player of the Year in 2022.



Former Desert Vista star Devon Kennard. (Todd Shurtleff photo/MaxPreps)



## END OF AN ERA FOR WILLSEY: A LOOK BACK TO WHEN IT STARTED

By Les Willsey  
AZPreps365.com

Harkening back on 40 years of covering high school sports in the East Valley what got me hooked on writing for a living was one of the first events I covered - a football game between Mesa Mountain View and Chandler High. I was a stringer at the time, not a newspaper staff writer.

The year was 1983. The game was at Mountain View - the final game of the reg-

ular season. Jesse Parker's Mountain View squad was attempting to complete a perfect regular season against Delvin Schutes' Wolves, the last roadblock to a 10-0 campaign.

Chandler made it tough on Mountain View, rallying within a touchdown in the fourth quarter after the Toros seemingly had the game in hand with a double-digit lead. The final score was Mountain View 26, Chandler 20. No team had come within single digits of beating Mountain View during its 9-0 start. In fact, in its previous nine games Mountain View surrendered 24 points total.

There were no more close calls for Mountain View in its four playoff games culminating in its 14-0 season - the wins in order were 35-17 (Tempe), 28-0 (Moon Valley), 36-0 (Buena) and 34-14 over McClintock in the title game.



In 1983 Mesa and Tempe consisted of four high schools each. Chandler and Gilbert were one high-school towns. It wasn't easy trying to do justice to coverage of those schools. It's even harder today.

The landscape is different with gradual, and in many cases, accelerated proliferation of schools. Today Mesa, Tempe, Chandler and Gilbert have six high schools each competing in athletics in various conferences.

I always thought in the back of my mind when in high school working on Coconino High's school newspaper that sports writing was what I wanted to do. I wavered once or twice on that once I went to college, but after thinking about going into teaching and almost going that route once I got a small taste of teaching, I knew for sure sports writing was what I wanted.

I had the good fortune of being surrounded by talented writers upon my hire at the East Valley Tribune in 1985. The late Bob Moran, who kept ASU athletics fans informed like no one else. Darren Urban, currently, and for some time now, covering the Arizona Cardinals. Scott Bordow, a jack of all trades covering pros, colleges and preps as a columnist to name a few. And of course current fellow cohorts at AZPreps365 - Jose Garcia and Andy Morales. The comradery and know-how of these folks made for well-oiled machines and fun workplaces.

It's been my privilege to cover prep sports for four decades. I can truly say it's been fulfilling work. I'm stepping away to retirement with August now here and the preparation for fall sports beginning in earnest. I'm ready to spend more time with wife (don't know if she's prepared for that), my kids and grandchildren.

If one is going to do any job for a lengthy period enjoying what you do is paramount.

I have enjoyed it. Enjoyed it tremendously.

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# THE NEXT WAVE: FLAG FOOTBALL IS ALL SET TO MAKE A SPLASH IN THE DESERT

By Josh Amick  
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Make room for Tuesday and Thursday night lights.

Girls flag football became an Arizona Interscholastic Association sanctioned sport in December and will begin its inaugural season this fall. The sport has been around since the early 2000s for girls but will reach new heights this season when 55 Arizona high schools from multiple districts field teams.

That number is expected to double as the sport grows in popularity and other schools and districts join in.

"I think in one year we'll be at about 100 to 120 teams because there are some massive districts, like Phoenix Union, Scottsdale and Tucson Unified, that aren't playing this year, but we fully expect them to play in a year from now," said one of the founding members of flag high school football in Arizona, Hamilton coach Matt Stone.

But achieving this milestone for the sport in Arizona took some persistence and patience.

Stone and others brought the flag football idea to the AIA back in 2012, but the death of a beloved AIA board president, athletic director Art Wagner, derailed the plans.

"The board president of the AIA gave his support in May of 2013," Stone said. "We worked together that whole year, and he was going to unilaterally approve it. We would have started official state play in the spring of 2014, but he died five days before he was set to make that historic announcement."

So why now?

During Super Bowl LV in 2021, Nike and the NFL ran an advertisement announcing that they were setting aside \$5 million dollars to help state associations develop flag football, with the goal of having every high school in America playing flag.

"I was watching the Buccaneers versus the Chiefs in the Super Bowl and I saw the ad," Stone said. "I took that idea to my district and told them you don't have to pay for the uniforms, Nike's got that covered. All we have to worry about is organization and I think that financial incentive is what really got the ball rolling the second time."

Two days before Super Bowl LVII was held in February at State Farm Stadium, the AIA received \$100,000 from Nike. The Arizona Cardinals also awarded the Chandler Unified School District \$10,000 for equipment last year.

"The AIA is very appreciative of the Arizona Cardinals and Nike for the generous support of girls flag football," AIA executive director David Hines said. "With 50-plus schools participating in the inaugural season, we are excited for the girls of Arizona. These kids are talented and hungry to show their skills and compete for the very first state championships."

## Perfecting the game

Arizona isn't just adopting the sport itself.

It is also tailoring the rules to look almost identical to the boys game, with the exception of a few wrinkles.

Arizona's Girls Flag Football Planning Committee studied the sport in Georgia, Florida, California and Nevada to make the experience in Arizona unique, cherry-picking the things they liked from each state.

"We started a committee, and we met once a month, going row by row from the rule book that coach Stone gathered," Casteel coach Rae Black said. "We discussed the rules, uniforms, girls' hair and nails since they require special rules and I gave them a woman's point of view as a coach and former college player."

Among the flag rules that are unique to Arizona are kickoffs, field goals and punts.

Arizona's teams can opt to kick extra points or go for two as well. In the states where kicking isn't allowed, each team started its drive on a specific yard line.

"This gives us a chance to highlight the talents these girls have and their ability to kick," Black said. "A lot of the girls we get trying out are soccer players, and that's what makes our rules unique is showcasing these girls that play multiple sports."

In addition to kicking, the girls will have eligible pass rushers and blockers without physical touching.

The blockers will be used more as a body to derail the pass rushers to give the quarterbacks more time to throw or run.

Girls will also have the ability to run screens and other plays that resemble tackle football since they'll share the same field as their male counterparts. For flag games, the sidelines will be shortened to 43 yards wide.

"We are one of the only states that allow you to screen, kick field goals and return punts," Xavier Prep coach Michael Patterson said. "We play four quarters, 12 minutes each, with a running clock until the final two minutes. A game in California is two 15-minute halves, with a running clock the entire time, and the game is over in 30 minutes."

"Our game is an hour to two because it is actual football with football concepts, just less contact."

Each team can have 25 players on its roster, with an additional five backup players for practices or a chance to be called up during the season. On the field, it is 7-on-7 with no designated positions on offense besides the quarterback and center to hike the ball and block.

"Our teams in club ball are 5-on-5 with two halves each, so the games are over really fast," Hamilton quarterback Catarina Macagnano said. "I hope the fields are in better shape and they have first down markers, but playing on the boys field during the same season will inspire the girls to push harder."



*Incoming freshman quarterback Amaya Moreno of Mountain Pointe appears ready to launch her high school flag football career.  
(Steven Davis photo/MaxPreps)*





Some of the state's flag football teams prepared for their upcoming season during offseason workouts at Xavier Prep. (Steven Davis photo/MaxPreps)

## Looking ahead

Tryouts began the first week of August, with the first games set to take place at the end of the month. Each team will play 12 regular season games, which will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The regular season will end the first week of October, with the playoffs beginning on the 24th, followed by the state championships on Nov. 4.

"I have a lot of girls that have already turned in their physicals and are ready to go for the fall," Black said. "I spent the summer trying to rebuild this roster as half my team last year were seniors. I want the girls to get excited and try the sport."

Teams will be placed into two conferences, 6A and 5A.

The 6A conference will feature all of the teams that played last year at the club level while 5A will feature all of the new teams.

Black led Casteel to the 2023 spring high school club flag title and is returning key players Mia Johnson, Bella Beasley, Makenna Poropat and Ayanna Austin. Casteel will also feature kicker Katie Whipple, who Black said is already drilling field goals of 30-plus yards.

"I have 20 girls registered for the team, and nine of them are freshmen," Black said. "I am really excited to see them."

One of the more coveted freshmen is Mountain Pointe quarterback Amaya Moreno.

Moreno will compete for the starting quarterback spot on Mt. Pointe's freshman tackle football team and will play flag football as well during the fall. She can potentially become the first female to play quarterback at the big school tackle level in Arizona.

Maccagnano spent the offseason playing club ball and traveling to Washington D.C. to face competition from all over the country. Her Hamilton team will be a team to look out for as it competes with Casteel in the 6A Premier Region.

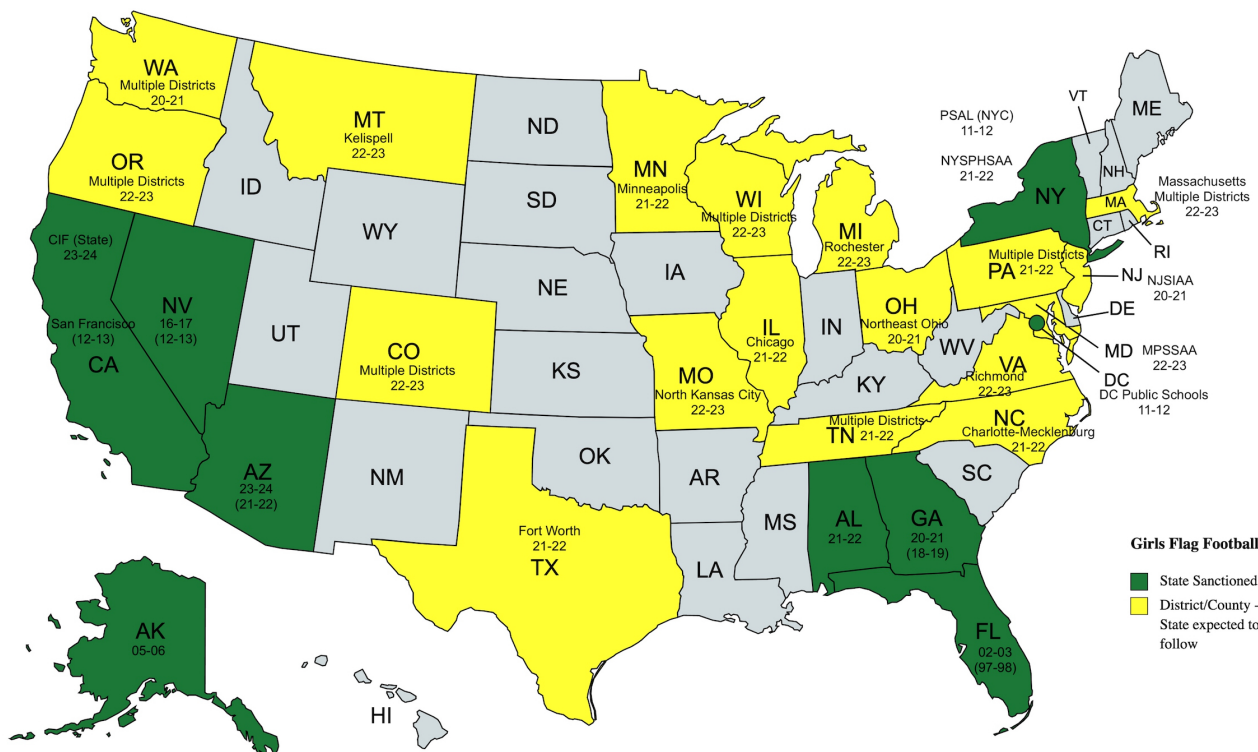
"These games in club ball have been very competitive and fast," Maccagnano said. "Just compared to last year this sport has grown so much throughout Arizona and it's inspiring to see, but I am in it to win it and help these other girls as well."

As flag football looks to become an Olympic sport in the 2028 games, having more teams and schools compete in high school will only help grow the sport behind the support of Nike and the NFL.


Arizona is the most recent state to make it a sanctioned sport, joining Alabama, Alaska, California, Florida, Georgia, Nevada and New York as the only states to do so.

"We wanted Arizona to mirror Florida's rules as much as possible as they have been playing this sport for over 25 years," Stone said. "I have been coaching flag football since 2007 and now almost 17 years later it is now an official sport that is going to resemble the closest thing to tackle football."

Let the games begin.







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By Barry Sollenberger  
From the 1993 edition

Gilbert's mighty defense, which had seven shutouts during the regular season, was the difference in the 1973 3A final, a 27-6 Tiger win over high scoring Morenci.

Coach Dan Dunn's forces stopped the mining town's ground game, which had averaged over 300 yards per game. Forced to go to the air, Morenci saw six of its passes intercepted by the tenacious Tiger defense.

Then there was Chris Laursen, a bruising 6-3, 230-pound middle guard who also played fullback. Laursen, who wasn't supposed to play much on offense, came up with the game-breaker three minutes into the second half.

He went off right guard, straight-armed one defender, then outran the others en route to a 57-yard touchdown. Dwayne Arrington booted three of the four conversions.

While nobody took Gilbert seriously until they clobbered Phoenix Gerard at midseason, everybody in eastern Arizona was high on Morenci. Halfway through the season, the only scar on the Phelps Dodge team was inflicted by Safford, a 4A school which beat the Wildcats 7-6. Against similar foes, Morenci's wishbone offense averaged 35 points per game.

Meanwhile, Gilbert was winning with scores like 11-0, 10-0, 6-0, with a 44-0 pasting of Ray thrown in. It wasn't until the Tigers beat Gerard and Eloy Santa Cruz back-to-back that the pollsters realized that Dunn's crew was for real.

They entered the playoffs rated No. 3 in the state. "The thing that made the season so enjoyable was that we didn't expect this from the kids until next year," said Dunn. "We're a year early. We're expecting a super team next season."

In the state semifinals, Morenci's Tony Lizarraga killed Phoenix Bourgade with an 81-yard touchdown run and a crazy 76-yard kickoff return. Lizarraga, Jimmy Martin and fullback Guy Hudson made coach Vern Friedli's offense go.

But in the finals, Gilbert's defense was overwhelming. After surviving a 7-6 overtime thriller with Holbrook in the semis, the Tigers were on their way. They kept seven teams from crossing the goal line, four crossed just once, and only Santa Cruz scored twice.



Morenci halfback Jimmy Martin is about to run into a dead end in the form of junior LB Donnie Seamster. The Tigers' stonewall defense stuffed the Wildcats, 27-6, the Class A finals. (AIA photo)

What a defense!

It picked off 17 enemy aerals, recovered 43 enemy fumbles, blocked 13 punts and tossed quarterbacks 77 times for losses, totaling 390 negative yards. In the playoffs the kicking game is important. Throughout the campaign, Gilbert was near perfect. The Tigers totaled 1,251 return yards (113.7 per game).

Three Tigers earned first-team All-State recognition: Laursen, as a middle guard, linebacker Fred Clare, and defensive back Ray Mendoza. Laursen, an Arizona State signee, was the leading vote getter on the squad.

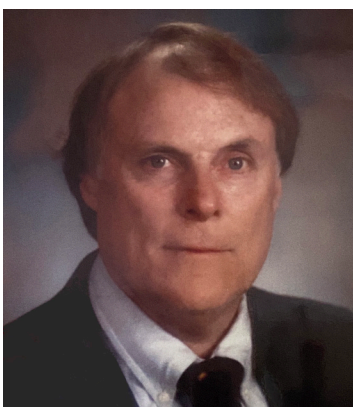
Three juniors, halfback Rick Kelton, linebacker Donnie Seamster, tackle Steve Granado and defensive back Arnold Valenzuela earned first-team honors in 1974. But that club finished 7-2, and out of the playoff race. Still, Dunn's '73 club was his first of three state championships. His Tigers won it again two years later, a 17-0 skunking of Page.

Then, when Gilbert moved up to 4A, his once-beaten Tigers won it all in 1978: another shutout, 14-0 over Tolleson. In 1979 and 1981, Dunn's last year with the Tigers, his teams finished runner-up to Phoenix Gerard and Flagstaff, respectively. When he left the Gilbert school, he had compiled an 88-23-1 record, a .793 winning percentage. He later coached at Mesa Community College and Payson High.

Dunn was replaced by his brother Rick, a Tiger assistant. As the head coach, he guided the Tiger program for eight years, winning the 4A crown in 1985, a 27-0 blanking (What else!) of Glendale Cactus.

But it was during Rick's tenure that the growth of Gilbert forced the Tigers into the large school ranks, a classification they have struggled with. In six years, the Tigers have fielded only two winning seasons in 5A football, one under Dunn and one under Richard Gray. So fast is the growth in Gilbert, the city's second high school, Highland, opens this fall. The new school will cut into Gilbert High's enrollment and athletic depth.

But the Tigers have been playing football since 1923. Ironically, that first club, coached by Owen Allen, finished 8-0 and won the Class B state championship. Historically, they have won 385 games, seventh best in state history. And for 10 glorious years, Dan Dunn and his staff were a big part of that history.



Barry Sollenberger, a 1964 graduate of Arcadia, served as the AIA's informal historian for decades before becoming Sports Information Director in 1999 until his death in 2005. (AIA photo)

The AIA is planning to honor Gilbert's 1973 championship team in December at a state title game. If you were a member of the team or know someone who was, please contact the AIA's Jose Garcia at [jgarcia@azpreps365.com](mailto:jgarcia@azpreps365.com).

Sollenberger's AZ Football Prep Magazine is named after Barry Sollenberger, an Arizona high school sports historian. The article on Gilbert's 1973 team was published in Sollenberger's 1993 high school football preseason magazine.



# OFFENSIVE PENALTIES REDUCED AS PART OF NEW HIGH SCHOOL RULES

By Tyler Cerimeli  
AIA Director of Athletics and Officials

The Football Rules Committee of the National Federation of State High School Associations made some notable changes to playing rules for the 2023 football season.

Some of the minor rule changes include:

- Additional clarification added to the definition of a defenseless player.
- A revision on the status of an airborne player who jumps from out of bounds and touches the ball. Similar to basketball, this player would be considered an out of bounds player until they reestablish in the field of play.
- A clarification to the intentional grounding exception passed last year. This exception permits the first and only player to possess the ball to legally ground a pass (even with no receiver in the area) as long as the passer was outside the pocket and the pass reaches the line of scrimmage.
- Towels worn by players no longer need to match colors, but further restrictions on towel logos were added to the rule. A towel may have one 2 ¼ inch manufacturer logo and one 2 ¼ inch team logo.

The most notable change was regarding penalty enforcement and was passed unanimously by the rules committee.

Previous enforcement rules could result in significantly punitive penalties if an offensive foul occurred in the backfield, as the old enforcement was from the spot of the foul. With the new rule change, outside of a small number of exceptions, officials will no longer enforce penalties from behind the line of scrimmage.

Penalties for illegal kicking, batting, participation, illegal forward pass, intentional grounding, and offensive fouls in their own end zone will still be enforced as a spot foul if they occur behind the line of scrimmage.



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For example, a team on offense at the 50-yard line that is called for a holding foul five yards behind the line of scrimmage (at the 45-yard line) would end up next snapping the ball from their own 40-yard line if the penalty is accepted.

Points of emphasis for the year include helping the runner, communication between officials and coaches, and game administration.

Designed plays in which teammates of the ball carrier attempt to aid for progress of the runner by pushing, pulling or lifting the runner will be penalized. Pushing the pile, however, will not be deemed a foul.

A continued focus will be placed this year on professional communication between officials and coaches. The playing field is considered an extension of the classroom and communication should reflect that reality.

As key role models for players and fans, coaches and officials should strive to model effective and appropriate communication.



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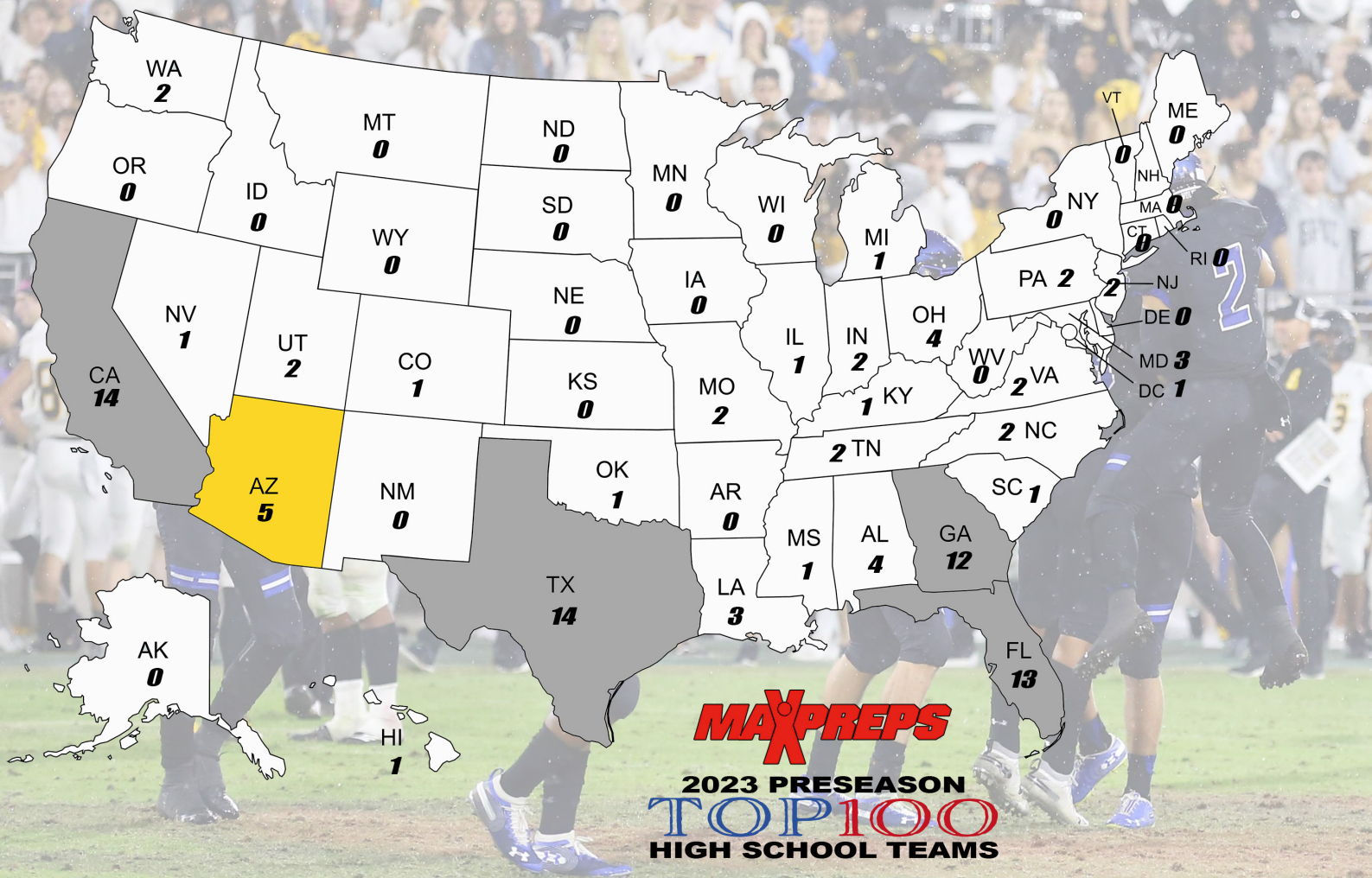


# AZPREPS365 WRITERS PICK THE OPEN DIVISION

This will be the fifth season that the AIA has conducted an Open Division for the football post-season tournament. The group of AZPreps365 writers of Jose Garcia, Andy Morales and Ben Stapley will try to predict the eight Open Division tournament entrants. All teams are listed alphabetically.

Jose Garcia	Andy Morales	Ben Stapley
 <b>BASHA</b>	 <b>ALA-QUEEN CREEK</b>	 <b>BASHA</b>
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There's no denying the quality of high school football in Arizona is rising exponentially. For the first time, there are five Arizona teams ranked among the top 100 in the MaxPreps preseason poll. Not only are these schools in the top 100, they are all in the top 55. It's going to be an exciting race to the Open Division championship game. And they are playing for the newly redesigned Open Division trophy (pictured left).

#### **Arizona teams in the MaxPreps top 100**

No. 18	<i>Basha</i>
No. 40	<i>Saguaro</i>
No. 43	<i>Liberty</i>
No. 49	<i>Chandler</i>
No. 55	<i>Hamilton</i>



# 6A CONFERENCE FOOTBALL PRESEASON RANKINGS



*Basha, fresh off its first state football title, is taking aim at the Open Division again. (Steven Davis photo/MaxPreps)*

**By Jose Garcia**  
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**1. BASHA:** The new school year started with the Basha Bears sitting with the Chandler District's cool kids, Chandler and Hamilton, for the first time. The Bears earned a seat at the table after winning the Open Division title last year, joining Chandler and Hamilton as their district's only football champs. What the Bears accomplished in a city and district that their aforementioned neighbors have dominated in the 2000s is quite a feat. Now comes the next phase: defending the crown. It'll attempt to do so with the polished Demond Williams Jr., the top-rated passer in the state, leading the way. But with three new O-linemen and lacking last year's size, how Basha advances the ball this year might look somewhat different. Roaming the secondary is Ohio State signee Miles Lockhart and three-year starter Tommy Prassas.

**2. HAMILTON:** From 2016-18, it appeared that Hamilton's best days were behind it. But fifth-year coach Michael Zdebski helped stabilize the program. Can the Huskies now recapture its championship glory? Don't be surprised if the first big school dynasty of the 2000s does. The offensive line is filled with behemoths and the potential to be great, but that unit will also start three new players. QB1 is not a new face, though. Beckham Pellant grew up right before our eyes last year and is now in complete control. One of his go-to targets, Legend Bernard, played hurt at times last year but is fully healthy and geared up to break away. Sr. NG Airam Diaz also emerged out of nowhere after barely sniffing the field his first two years. He is now the strongest player on the team and one of its defensive line alpha dogs.

**3. SAGUARO:** Certainly there's pressure, but first-year coach Zak Hill, a former offensive coordinator for ASU and Boise State, is more than well-equipped to manage a program with Saguaro's credentials. Directing one of the state's fastest and more athletic

teams also likely helps Hill sleep well at night. On the field, running his offense with a similar Saguaro look is a young man who proved his worth this offseason, Sr. QB Mason Bray. "Mason will shock people this year," Hill said about his first-year starter. Anticipate a lot of shock and awe from a stacked secondary and plenty more, including LB/RB Jo Jo Clark, RB Jaeden Matthews, CB Dajon Hinton. Former Pinnacle assistant Andrew Hurley is the team's new defensive coordinator. Aside from Hill, the offensive coaching staff remains intact.

**4. CHANDLER:** "Nothing changes," said Chandler coach Rick Garretson about who left his team. "Full steam ahead." Who is on board for another run at the Open is Sr. QB Blake Heffron, who was 17-0 during his lower level HS training, carries 4.6 40 speed and is well-respected by his peers. Slowing down Illinois-bound RB Ca'lil Valentine also will be a tall order, whether he's running or catching the ball in space. Sr. Geo Borea moves into the second option at RB, and the program was developing a third option. The team has plenty of weapons on the outside, with 6-3 TE Kaden Anderson, 6-3 WR Jaxon Branch and 6-2 WR Justice Spann being the biggest match-up problems. Opponents also must account for Notre Dame FS commit Kennedy Urlacher, who will help with run support more this season, and probably the best athlete on the team, DB Orion Kapu.

**5. LIBERTY:** Save the pity party. What happened in the past is just that, the past. "The kids are resilient," said coach Colin Thomas about the last three Open Division semifinal final minute heartbreaks. "The answer is to keep working." Great programs reload, and the Lions are doing just that after losing nine defensive starters. The heart and soul of that defense, Keaton Stam, is moving to MLB. The next D-lines stars are line organizer Ben Bryant and ASU recruit Caden Branson (6-3, 260). The O-line will start four juniors, but this is the biggest O-line Thomas has coached. Three star tackle Ryan Wolfer is moving his 6-5, 245-pound frame to TE,



and 6-3, 210-pound Braylen Gardner is moving to WR. Las Vegas transfer Jon Wilson (700-plus rushing yards in 2022) is one of the three RBs who will see time in the backfield. And last but not certainly not least is the team's unquestionable leader, QB Navi Bruzon, who had more responsibilities placed on his plate.

**6. HIGHLAND:** The Hawks will be happy if the No. 8 appears this season on their Magic 8 Ball. That's because the No. 7 hasn't been so lucky to them in recent years. Highland cherished defending its 6A title last year. (The first football crowns for the school.) But what the Hawks are hunting for is one of the eight seats at the Open Division table. They've come oh so close and feel that eight regular season wins will finally get them over the hump. Highland graduated a slew of seniors last year but might be more explosive this year, with Jr. QB Kelen "Bub" Fisher, 6-3 TE Hayden Daugherty and WR Gregg Toler on offense. The team will start four new O-linemen, but they are strong and agile, coach Brock Farrel said. Sr. DB Kody Kullimore and DE Bertrand Berry Jr. can't wait to punch in and get to work for a team known for its physicality.

**7. CENTENNIAL:** Richard Taylor isn't prepared to unveil his backfield just yet. Entering his 53rd year of coaching, the head coach, well, knows exactly what he's doing. He raved about his options and yet another mighty O-line, though. At RB, there's the strong Sa'Mar Turner, who was a safety, and the very quick Tony Greer and others who can help the team reach its goal of 1,600 rushing yards. At QB, sophomore Kainan Manna, who had his moments of brilliance last year, transfer Danny Avila and sophomore Ethan Beltran were battling to become the starter. Defensive forces Noah Carter and Kenny Worthy will continue to get their share of reps on at wideout and slot, respectively. Worthy is the leader of one best Centennial secondaries in Taylor's tenure.

**8. MOUNTAIN POINTE:** Is the dominance Mountain Pointe flashed in the 2010s back? Not just yet. But it sure is attracting a lot of attention and talent. A bridge to those physical teams of the past, coach Eric Lauer, is helping elevate the program once again. Also helping pave a path for success is an experienced of-

fensive line that starts elite tackle Kaleb Jones. Knox Road will be rocking once again also because of Mountain Pointe's running backs, probably the best and fastest group in the state. Good luck slowing down 200-plus pounders Christian Clark (Texas commit) and Randle Parker (D-I recruit). The unselfish duo will welcome the elusive Seth Henry to help form yet another three-headed RB monster for the second consecutive year. In the second half of the season, when transfers become eligible, get ready to meet plenty of new faces.

**9. BROPHY PREP:** All those close, frustrating defeats (five by seven points or less) last season are behind them but helped them mature. The Broncos have the horses and experience to go from last year's 3-8 campaign to a successful 2023. Six of their defensive players hold D-I offers, including match-up nightmare Mar-dale Rowe at DE, captain Billy Eastep at safety, and D-I CB recruit Cree Thomas, who is "University of Notre Dame Ben Morrison 2.0." Brophy's two-deep D-line also will unleash Iowa-bound edge rusher Devan Kennedy. After the midway point of the regular season, reinforcements will bolster an already formidable offensive line. Brophy Prep graduated a 1,500-yard rusher last year, but fifth-year coach Jason Jewell is confident that the versatile Carlos Estrada, a junior, and sophomore Harrison Chambers can step in. Lacrosse college commit Charlie McGinnis returns for his second tour of QB duty.

**10. ALA-QUEEN CREEK:** This may not be a popular choice with teams that weren't ranked (Pinnacle, Salpointe Catholic, Casteel, Chaparral, et al.). Heck, ALA-Queen Creek may also disagree with being ranked because of its lack of size up front and so many new starters. But we'll roll the dice with a program that's reached the Open Division the last two seasons and impressed during the off-season. It may take some time to acclimate to 6A after leaving 5A. But ALA-Queen Creek's accomplished coaching staff is doing all it can to prepare its team for the rigors of big boy ball. The BYU alums on staff are getting BYU-commit QB Enoch Watson up to speed after transferring from a 4A school. Sr. FS Nate LaDuke "will pop you" just like his pops, Nathan Sr., did while at Alhambra High and ASU.



*With two straight 6A titles and three straight championship game appearances, is this the season Highland qualifies for the Open? (Steve Paynter photo/MaxPreps)*



# 6A CONFERENCE FOOTBALL TEAM-BY-TEAM PREVIEW



Senior Jeremiah Newcombe looks to help Casteel build on its momentum after entering the 6A postseason last season as the No. 1 seed. (Steven Davis photo/MaxPreps)

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## PREMIER REGION

### Basha

**Head coach:** Chris McDonald.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 5/38-17.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Demond Williams Jr. 5-11, 180; Sr. DB/ATH Miles Lockhart 5-11, 185; Sr. DB Tommy Prassas 6-2, 190; Sr. LB Jack Bleier 6-0, 235; Sr. TE Javery Mayberry 6-4, 230.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Offensive line. Interior Defensive line.

**Team expectations:** We have the same expectations every year and that is to compete for a Premier Region championship and an Open state championship.

**Beyond the numbers:** Brody Jones is a fantastic young man who has really developed himself into a great football player. He doesn't get the credit he deserves. He's 4.0 student, high character kid, selfless, great leader. Just a young man who does things right on and off the field and should have his opportunity for some publicity.

### Casteel

**Head coach:** Dr. Bobby Newcombe.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 6/37-32.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. CB Jeremiah Newcombe 5-11, 175; Sr. FS/SS Gerayas Grimes 6-0, 170; Sr. T Camden Jury 6-7, 315; Sr. MLB Mason Ball 5-9, 190.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Quarterback, defensive line, running backs.

**Team expectations:** To compete.

**Beyond the numbers:** Jeremiah Newcombe, committed to Oklahoma, is the best athlete on the team, and Camden Jury is the best offensive linemen.

### Chandler

**Head coach:** Rick Garretson.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4/43-5.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB Ca'lil Valentine 6-0, 180; Sr. FS Kennedy Urlacher 6-0, 195; Sr. TE Kaden Anderson 6-3, 225; Sr. WR Jaxon Branch 6-3, 185; Sr. DB Sammie Hunter 5-11, 175.

**Team expectations:** Open champions.

**Beyond the numbers:** QB Blake Heffron is a 4.0 student, pilot and 17-0 as a QB on the lower levels. He is a first team all-region player.

### Hamilton

**Head coach:** Michael Zdebski.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 5/31-13

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Beckham Pellant 6-0, 195; Sr. OLB Jaylen Jones 5-11, 192; Sr. ATH Legend Bernard 6-0, 175; Jr. OL Toby Mealer 6-5, 340; Sr. DB Jackson Finefrock 6-0, 175.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Secondary, kicker, receivers.

**Team expectations:** State champs.

**Beyond the numbers:** The dads of Avery Knight, Jaylen Jones and Carson Keim are all associated with the NFL.

### Perry

**Head coach:** Joseph Ortiz.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/4-7.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.



**Key returning players:** Sr. WR Kolton Coleman 6-2, 200; Sr. RB Don Tinsley 6-2, 220; Sr. DE Chris Kalu 6-3, 230; Sr. OL TJ Thompson 6-5, 300.

**Team's biggest question marks:** New QB, defensive coordinator and defense.

**Team expectations:** 6A playoff run.

#### NORTHEAST VALLEY REGION

##### Chaparral

**Head coach:** Doug Nisenson.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. DE Keegan Shank 6-5, 260; Sr. WR Plas Johnson 6-2, 180; So. QB Marcel Jones 6-2, 200; Jr. WR/TE Gavin Mesa 6-4, 200; Jr. CB Jordan Williams 6-2, 185.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Inside linebacker. OL depth.

**Team expectations:** Rebuild the culture, come together as a team and return to the playoffs

**Beyond the numbers:** Keegan Shank is an amazing kid and leader as well as a Division I football player (Colorado State commit).

Plas Johnson is an Arizona State commit and is an electric WR and DB. Gavin Mesa is a three-sport athlete, which is very rare these days. He is a highly recruited baseball player, who will also have several D-I college football opportunities as well.

##### Liberty

**Head coach:** Colin Thomas.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4/26-8.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 2.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Navi Bruzon 5-11, 190; Sr. TE Braylon Gardner 6-3, 205; Sr. LB Keaton Stam 6-1, 205; Sr. OL Ryan Wolfer 6-5, 245.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Replace a large amount of last year's defense. Lost a lot of production in the run game must account for.

**Team expectations:** To be the best version of Liberty football we can be and keep progressing as a program.

**Beyond the numbers:** Navi Bruzon is an amazing player, leader and teammate.



Liberty QB Navi Bruzon (Steve Paynter photo/MaxPreps)

##### Pinnacle

**Head coach:** Dana Zupke.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 20/145-82.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Jr. QB Wyatt Horton 5-11, 175; Sr. OL Krush Sowers 6-4, 270; Sr. OL Travis Gutierrez 6-1, 225; Sr. DB Spencer Halvorson 6-1, 190; Sr. DL Jack Franklin 6-4, 220.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Linebacker and receiver experience.

**Team expectations:** To make the playoffs and win our last game.

**Beyond the numbers:** Jack and Hayden Franklin are the fourth and fifth Franklin brother to play at Pinnacle. The three older brothers are all playing in college. Alan Soukup is the No. 1 long snapper in the 2024 class.

##### Saguaro

**Head coach:** Zak Hill.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB Jaedon Matthews 5-10, 185; Sr. OL Amari Taase 6-3, 300; Sr. LB Jojo Clark 5-10, 180; Jr. DB/WR Dajon Hinton 5-11, 175.

**Team's biggest question marks:** How many guys need to be two-way players. Depth for the OL/DL.

**Team expectations:** Come together and play as a team, compete, be accountable, respect, and hold each other to a championship standard. Do all this with class, integrity and academic excellence.

**Beyond the numbers:** OL coach Mark Martinez is in his 18th year at Saguaro. He battled through Covid and is an exceptional coach and person. Sr. RB Jaedon Matthews committed to Georgia Tech.

*Region notes: Sr. Kenneth Worthy III is the leader of one of Centennial's all-time best secondaries, and Sr. Isaac Worley can play multiple positions.*

#### EAST VALLEY REGION

##### ALA-Queen Creek

**Head coach:** Ty Detmer.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2/18-4.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 2.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 1.

**Key returning players:** Sr. FS Nate LaDuke 6-0, 180; Sr. OL AJ Moreno 5-11, 250; Sr. WR Jayden Williams 5-10, 170.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Replacing 19 starters.

**Team expectations:** Not sure with the move up to 6A and having to replace 19 starters.

##### Highland

**Head coach:** Brock Farrel.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 7/57-21.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** Jr. QB Kelen "Bub" Fisher 6-3, 200; Sr. DB Kody Kullimore 5-11, 170; Sr. DE/LB Bertrand Berry Jr. 6-2- 210; Jr. TE Hayden Daugherty 6-3, 235; Jr. WR Gregg Toler Jr. 5-9, 160.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Offensive line graduated four starters. Defensive line graduated three starters. Linebackers has three new starters.

**Team expectations:** We want to make the Open.

**Beyond the numbers:** Bertrand Berry Jr. and Elijah Denson's fathers were teammates at Notre Dame. The fathers of Gregg Toler Jr. and Berry played in the NFL. The Cullimore legacy: Kash, Kody, Kade, and Kruz are currently at Highland, and Kohner and Kam graduated (All are either brothers or cousins). Grady and Tanner Crandall are cousins. Older siblings Tanner and Cole graduated. The Allen legacy: Ammon, Joseph and Trason. Not related to the aforementioned Allens, but Kolton, Caleb, Josh, Carson and Cole Allen are all brothers or cousins.



### Queen Creek

**Head coach:** Travis Schureman.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 9/56-24.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 1.

**Key returning players:** So. QB Tait Reynolds 6-3, 215; Sr. WR Nick Garcia 5-9, 170; Sr. DT/T Dylan Laflamme 6-4, 280; Sr. DT/G Eytayo Omotinugbon 6-4, 280; Sr. FB/LB Dane Gomez 5-11, 230.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Replacing 10 defensive starters.

**Team expectations:** We are excited to compete with this senior class. They have worked very hard this offseason.

**Beyond the numbers:** Dylan Laflamme and Tayo both have special need siblings and treat everyone with so much respect.

### Red Mountain

**Head coach:** Kyle Enders.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/8-5.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 4.

**Key returning players:** Sr. TE Preston Heap 6-1, 215; Sr. LB Champ Gennicks 6-3, 205; Sr. LB/RB Carson Mauterer 5-9, 210; Sr. CB Chris Castaneda 5-8 170; Sr. WR Gunner Moore 5-11, 155.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Losing Lenox Lawson, Jakobi Lane and Carter Crispin. Who will step up and help the offense keep putting up big numbers like they did the last two years? How will the defense be having to replace seven starters?

**Team expectations:** The expectations for the 2023 season is to win another region championship, beat all of the Mesa Public Schools and compete for a state championship. More specifically, after being to the semifinals the past two seasons, we are looking to make the next step.

**Beyond the numbers:** Sr. DE Seth Barron is one of the hardest working kids in the program. He's a natural leader who is well-respected by all of his peers. He is coming off a torn ACL and MCL, which he suffered in Week 2 last year. He has been busting his butt to get back on the field and have a great senior season.

## CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

### Brophy Prep

**Head coach:** Jason Jewell.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4/18-23.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 9.

**Key returning players:** DL Mardale Rowe 6-2, 230; Sr. S Billy Eastep 6-1, 200; Jr. CB Cree Thomas 6-1, 170; Sr. DL Trey Markham 6-3, 220; Sr. DL Devan Kennedy 6-3, 245.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Replacing RB David Lopez. Can we finish games? Can we be more balanced on offense?

**Team expectations:** This team returns a deep and talented '24 class and a ton of starters. The close losses last year are going to pay off. This is a team that can make a deep playoff run and possibly be a surprise Open contender.

**Beyond the numbers:** Devan Kennedy gained 60 pounds this offseason and turned into a D-I prospect.

### Corona del Sol

**Head coach:** Jake Barro.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/8-3.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Connor Ackery 6-1, 170; Jr. WR Raiden Vines-Bright 6-0, 175; Sr. DB Keyvon Thomas 6-1, 170; Sr. DB Brandon Holmes 6-0, 170; Sr. K/P Malcolm Flynn 5-11, 180.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Can we avoid the injury bug that cost us a run in the playoffs.

**Team expectations:** How do we respond to the toughest schedule in school history? Can we solidify the culture change that we have started?

### Mountain Pointe

**Head coach:** Eric Lauer.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3/13-18.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 4.

**Key returning players:** Jr. OL/DL Kaleb Jones 6-1, 275; Sr. RB/LB Randle Parker 5-9, 190; Sr. RB/LB Christian Clark 6-0, 200; Sr. OL/DL Christopher Winston 6-3, 240; Sr. OL/DL Nick Taylor 6-3, 235.

**Team's biggest question marks:** QB, toughness, and will we take care of the little things?

**Team expectations:** That they stand Lion TAL (Trust Accountability Love).

**Beyond the numbers:** Coach Janice Rodriguez is a great person, and Randle Parker is very hard worker.



Mountain Pointe RB Christian Clark (Mark Jones photo/MaxPreps)

### Salpointe Catholic

**Head coach:** Eric Rogers.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3/25-9.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Sr. WR/DB Armani Sheriff 5-9, 170; Sr. WR/DB Cordell Killingsworth 5-10, 175; Sr. OL/DL Luis Cordova 6-3, 300; Sr. RB/LB Jaxson Banhie 5-10, 215; Sr. LB Orlando Gonzalez 6-0, 225.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Our depth is very young.

**Team expectations:** Compete to be the best version of ourselves every day.

**Beyond the numbers:** Jaxson Banhie has a 3.9 GPA and a tremendous character and is hard-working and tough. He's a captain and a leader. He just does things the right way. Never have to worry about him. Elijah Rushing and Keona Wilhite are two book ends that are fantastic athletes but also great students and extremely humble. Elijah is 6-6, 250 and Keona is 6-5, 240. Both were being recruited by every school in the country.

*Region notes:* Scooter Molander, a Corona del Sol alum, returned to the Tempe Union High School District to coach Desert Vista. Molander led Eastmark to a state title last year and also won two rings at Brophy Prep, including in 2007 when Brophy beat Desert Vista, 34-21.



## FIESTA REGION

### Cesar Chavez

**Head coach:** William "Ducey" Burwell

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 2.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB Deven Highsmith 5-9, 180; Sr. DB/WR Prince Roberson 5-10, 170; Sr. OL/DL Jason Chang 5-10, 250; Sr. QB Jeramiah Uriarte 5-10, 160; Sr. WR Manuel Murrieta 5-10, 165.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Will the young guys be able to step in and fill the holes from graduating seniors? We started 16 seniors last season.

**Team expectations:** We are entering a new region. The expectation is that we compete for the region title and a trip to the playoffs.

**Beyond the numbers:** Cliff Mann is our DL coach and recruiting coordinator. He has done an amazing job contacting and building relationships with college coaches. This past season we were able to send 11 of our 16 seniors off to play football in college.

### Desert Ridge

**Head coach:** Roy Lopez.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3/9-12.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 9.

**Key returning players:** Sr. OT Greg Bienvenue 6-4, 290; Sr. LB Logan Rogers 5-10, 195; Sr. S Samuel Johns 5-11, 185; Sr. QB Major Wooten 6-1, 185; Sr. SS Cason Moore 6-0, 190.

**Team's biggest question marks:** We have a few, with some of our young skills. But for the most part have some good leadership coming back.

**Team expectations:** We have high expectations. This group played a lot as young sophomores, so they have earned the right to have a phenomenal year.

**Beyond the numbers:** Sam Johns is a longtime defensive coordinator. Samuel Johns, a three-year starter, two-time all-region safety, Greg Bienvenue, Major Wooten, and Logan Rogers have started and played since their sophomore year.

### Mesa

**Head coach:** Chad DeGrenier.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4/21-19.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. LB Mcky Peters 6-0, 180; Sr. WR Ja'Roi Hardwick 5-11, 155; Sr. DE Tyriq Heyward 5-10, 210; Sr. CB Junior St. Cyr 5-10, 210; Sr. DB/WR Dei'Maujae Moore 6-0, 154.

**Team's biggest question marks:** OL, DL, QB, WR play. Special teams.

**Team expectations:** Winning season, playoffs, region title.

**Beyond the numbers:** We have a great senior group, including Junior St. Cyr and Mcky Peters.

### Tolleson

**Head coach:** Rich Wellbrock.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3/10-10.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 3.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 4.

**Key returning players:** So. WR Rico Blassingame 6-3, 185; Sr. LB Misael Gamez 6-1, 220; Sr. OL Taitafe Leifi 6-2, 225; Jr. LB Xavier Moreno 6-1, 210; Fr. WR Judah Lancaster 6-4, 200.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Who will step up as a leader on defense and set the bar for our defense this season? Can this group continue to push the program to that next level? Can we get the ball to our young playmakers in space? If so, we could be dangerous.

**Team expectations:** How quickly can we/will we mature being so young? We will only have three senior starters. Can this group continue to push the program to that next level? Can we get the ball to our young playmakers in space? If so, we could be dangerous.

**Beyond the numbers:** Coach Gary Galante's coaching journey started with coaching legend Jesse Parker. He has great insight on how the game and high school football has evolved over the last 30-plus years.

### Westwood

**Head coach:** Brandon Large.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/3-7.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Giordan Hanks 6-5, 210; Sr. LB Anthony Azule 6-0, 215; Jr. WR Sa'Veon McCrimon 5-11, 165; Sr. LB Roper Reidhead 5-11, 185; Jr. OL Jordan Bustillos 6-1, 225.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Who will step up as a leader on defense and set the bar for our defense this season? Who will be taking the bulk of the carries in the backfield? How much progress will the new coaching staff make after Year 1?

**Team expectations:** We expect to compete every time we take the field. We want to continue to get better every day.

**Beyond the numbers:** Anthony Azule is a very hard worker, Native American and very dedicated.

*Region notes: Last year, Mesa Mountain View won two games, the lowest win total in school history, but it played nine playoff teams.*

## DESERT VALLEY REGION

### Shadow Ridge

**Head coach:** Sean Hegarty.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3/14-15.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 4.

**Key returning players:** So. QB Jayden Pico 5-11, 175; Sr. OL WestLee McLeod 6-0, 295; Sr. DL Alex Ryan 5-9, 285; Sr. OL Dylan Escalante 6-5, 285; Sr. DB Jayden Garcia 5-10, 175.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Running back. Previous back had over 1,000 yards and 20 TDs. Inexperience at the varsity level.

**Team expectations:** To compete at a high level against top tier 6A competition.

**Beyond the numbers:** QB Jayden Pico started all 10 games on varsity as a freshman last year and was in the top-5 of most offensive categories. The progress and development of OL WestLee McLeod since beginning in the program is worth mentioning. He was also selected as a captain by his teammates as a junior.

*Region notes: Multi-sport star Rowan McKenzie, who threw 18 touchdowns last year for Boulder Creek, won't return to the team to focus on basketball. ... K Jordan Westrich and RB Nathan Bayus, Sandra Day O'Connor's third and fourth leading scorers in 2022, respectively, return. ... Linebackers Anthony Hernandez and Tony Romano each averaged nine tackles per game last year for Valley Vista.*



**GETTING TO THE BUSINESS AT HAND WITH AZ's  
No. 1 QB, DEMOND WILLIAMS JR.**



**Your coach said that you're a student of the game and approach football like it's a business. When did that process begin? Did somebody help mold your approach to the game?**

My dad. Ever since I was a little kid I've always breathed football. Everything I do is football and I play football year round and I feel like football is the only sport that I was destined to play.

**Tell me some of the lessons you've learned from your dad (Demond Williams Sr.) and your mom (Clarissa) as well.**

My dad taught me to treat the game like it's a business and treat it like a profession that you have to do to your highest ability. Make sure you give it your all in everything you do, and I know I will always have that support system behind me. My mom has been with me my whole life and has been a great supporter. She gives me a different perspective from what my dad sees and helps me see things from both angles.

**You're still in high school, so there's got to be times when it's not all business. When you are away from the game, what do you do to unwind?**

I play video games to be honest. I don't really go out. I play Madden, Rambo, NBA 2K. I try all the games.

**What did it mean for you to get selected and compete in the most prestigious offseason event for high school quarterbacks in the nation, Elite 11?**

It meant a lot. As a little kid, I always wanted to be that guy who was selected for these events and compete. It was a great experience to be around all those elite players and it was great. It felt more like a family.

**Basha's offense may look somewhat different this year after some of your best offensive lineman graduated. Are you going to rely on your legs a little bit more this season?**

Nothing too crazy. I feel like we are filling in those positions that we lost and as the season goes on I feel like our team will continue to get better. This year my main goal is to focus on passing and do what I have to do.

**You have a great defensive back on your team in Miles Lockhart who you go up against every day in practice. Has playing against him made you better, and what is your relationship like with him?**

I have known Miles for a while and played against him in youth football in my seventh grade year. We have been in touch since then. I love testing him and everybody else on the defense to let them know that nothing isn't free out here. It's a great bond that we have.

**Congrats on your recent University of Arizona commitment. When did you know that UofA could be a landing spot for you?**

I had always enjoyed my conversations with UofA. When I went and visited (July 22-23) it just really felt right. Everything felt like home.

**You have family that lives in Tucson. Your mom attended UofA and dad played football at Pima Community College. What are your current family connections to Tucson?**

My dad has siblings that live in Tucson and most of my mom's family is in Tucson, so there's obviously a strong family connection.

**Ultimately, what were the reasons why UofA won out?**

I've always had a comfort with the (UofA) coaches and it just really feels right.

**We saw your commitment video, and at the very end you included a clip from when you were about 10 years old. In the clip you are surrounded by family and announce that you are committing to UofA. What prompted you to do the video when you were that young?**

That year we had a team called D-I Football, so me and two other teammates decided to pretend we were in high school making our commitments at the time. For that video to come full circle is pretty crazy.

**You helped lead Basha to the Open Division championship last season, the first state football title for the school. What did it mean for you and the school?**

It meant a lot. That was one of my main goals coming here, to try and turn this program around and hopefully win a state championship. I feel like accomplishing that was exactly what I wanted to do.

**You're the No. 1 quarterback in the state heading into this season. Is it something you think about?**

I don't really take that kind of stuff into account. Just proving myself every day is my goal.

**Do you feel pressure heading into this season as the defending champs, and how do you think this season will play out?**

I definitely feel like we can win another state championship. I don't really feel too much pressure. I have played on big stages before, and I have been able to handle bigger situations. I just want to have a successful year and have it be better than my last.

—Josh Amick, AZPreps365.com (Jose Garcia and Ben Stapley contributed to this report.)





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2022 6A RETURNING STAT

# LEADERS

Chaparral WR Plas Johnson (Steven Davis photo/MaxPreps)

Chandler RB Ca'il Valentine (Steven Davis photo/MaxPreps)



Source: MaxPreps

## PASSING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	TDs/INT
Sr.	Navi Bruzon, Liberty	3,041/253.4	33/6
Jr.	Wyatt Horton, Pinnacle	2,860/204.3	31/12
Sr.	Demond Williams Jr., Basha	2,339/179.9	23/1
Sr.	Connor Ackerley, Corona del Sol	2,215/246.1	22/6
So.	Jayden Pico, Shadow Ridge	2,011/201.1	18/4
Sr.	Rowan McKenzie, Boulder Creek	1,786/198.4	18/8
Sr.	Giordan Hanks, Westwood	1,625/162.5	18/12
Sr.	Beckham Pellant, Hamilton	1,533/139.4	13/2
Sr.	Jack Germaine, Mountain View (Mesa)	1,503/250.5	10/6
Sr.	Charlie McGinnis, Brophy Prep	1,165/105.9	6/10

## SCORING

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Points	Pts/G	TDs
Sr.	RB	Ca'il Valentine, Chandler	132	13.2	22
Sr.	RB	Dylan Lee, Williams Field	116	10.5	19
Sr.	RB	Junior St. Cyr, Mesa	108	9.0	18
Sr.	ATH	Christian Clark, Mountain Pointe	96	8.0	16
Sr.	K	Timothy Tynan, Basha	84	6.5	
Sr.	RB	Kody Cullimore, Highland	72	5.1	12
Sr.	K	Nathan Hawkins, Liberty	68	5.7	
Sr.	RB	Jaedon Matthews, Saguaro	66	5.5	11
Sr.	WR	Roan Martinez, Desert Vista	61	6.1	10
Sr.	RB	Randle Parker, Mountain Pointe	60	5.5	10

## RUSHING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	Yds-C	TDs
Sr.	Dylan Lee, Williams Field	1,582/143.8	7.09	19
Sr.	Ca'il Valentine, Chandler	1,347/134.7	8.64	18
Sr.	Diego Morales, Queen Creek*	1,303/108.6	6.23	10
Sr.	Junior St. Cyr, Mesa	1,081/90.1	5.75	18
Sr.	Randle Parker, Mountain Pointe	767/69.7	9.83	9
Sr.	Demond Williams Jr., Basha	764/58.8	5.54	5
So.	Jayden Pico, Shadow Ridge	740/74.0	9.49	8
Sr.	Christian Clark, Mountain Pointe	737/61.4	7.16	11
Sr.	Jaedon Matthews, Saguaro	719/59.9	7.82	11
Sr.	Giordan Hanks, Westwood	689/68.9	8.51	6

## RECEIVING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	Yds-R	TDs
Sr.	Plas Johnson, Chaparral	1,157/115.7	13.15	8
Sr.	Bryson Dedmon, Basha\$	928/71.4	17.85	10
Jr.	Raiden Vines-Bright, Corona del Sol	761/84.6	18.12	9
Sr.	Roan Martinez, Desert Vista	761/76.1	20.57	10
Sr.	Chase Whitley, Shadow Ridge	739/82.1	14.78	5
Jr.	Gavin Mesa, Chaparral	706/70.6	15.35	6
Sr.	Ryland Sands, Mountain Ridge	703/63.9	18.03	6
Sr.	J'Roi Hardwick, Mesa	682/62.0	20.06	6
Sr.	Jaxon Branch, Chandler	628/52.3	19.03	6
Sr.	Jayden Williams, ALA-Queen Creek	627/57.0	14.93	7

\* - transferred to ALA-Queen Creek

\$ - transferred to Saguaro

## TOTAL YARDS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total Yds	Yds-G
Sr.	QB	Navi Bruzon, Liberty	3,450	287.5
Jr.	QB	Wyatt Horton, Pinnacle	3,186	227.6
Sr.	QB	Demond Williams Jr., Basha	3,135	241.2
Jr.	QB	Jayden Pico, Shadow Ridge	2,751	275.1
Sr.	QB	Giordan Hanks, Westwood	2,323	232.2
Sr.	QB	Connor Ackerley, Corona del Sol	2,307	256.3
Sr.	QB	Rowan McKenzie, Boulder Creek	1,986	220.7
Sr.	QB	Beckham Pellant, Hamilton	1,899	172.6
Sr.	RB	Ca'il Valentine, Chandler	1,742	174.2
Sr.	RB	Dylan Lee, Williams Field	1,650	150.0

## TACKLES

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total tackles	Tackles-G
Sr.	LB	Champ Gennicks, Red Mountain	134	10.3
Sr.	LB	Spencer Halvorson, Pinnacle	126	9.0
Sr.	OLB	Logan Rogers, Desert Ridge	115	11.5
Jr.	LB	Kamrion Peete, Higley^	115	9.6
Sr.	FS	Nate Laduke, ALA-Queen Creek	104	9.5
Sr.	LB	Keaton Stam, Liberty	104	8.7
Sr.	S	Tommy Prassas, Basha	103	7.9
Sr.	OLB	Jack Bleier, Basha	101	7.8
Sr.	OLB	Anthony Hernandez, Valley Vista	100	9.1
Sr.	LB	Misael Gamez, Tolleson	97	9.7
Sr.	MLB	Tony Romano, Valley Vista	97	8.8

## SACKS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total Sacks	Sacks-G
Sr.	DE	Noah Carter, Centennial	14.0	1.3
Sr.	DE	Elijah Rushing, Salpointe Catholic	11.5	1.0
Sr.	OLB	Jack Bleier, Basha	10.0	0.8
Sr.	DT	Jeremiah Young, Chandler	8.5	0.7
Sr.	OLB	Nathan Beard, Valley Vista	7.0	0.7
Sr.	DE	Trey Markham, Brophy Prep	6.5	0.6
Sr.	FS	Bertrand Berry II, Highland	6.5	0.6
Sr.	DT	Josiah Switzer, Casteel%	5.5	0.4
Sr.	DE	Dax Monestime, Boulder Creek	5.0	0.6
Sr.	DE	Keona Wilhite, Salpointe Catholic	4.5	0.8

## INTERCEPTIONS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total INTs
Sr.	LB	Mcky Peters, Mesa	7
Sr.	CB	Kenneth Worthy III, Centennial	6
Sr.	SS	Jayden Garcia, Shadow Ridge	5
Sr.	FS	A.T. Desamais, North	5
Sr.	CB	Miles Lockhart, Basha	4
Sr.	FS	Hayden Satterlund, Sandra Day O'Connor	3
Sr.	SS	Samuel Johns, Desert Ridge	3
Sr.	SS	Gerayas Grimes, Casteel	3
Sr.	CB	Chris Castaneda, Red Mountain	3
Jr.	OLB	Beckham Barney, Mountain View (Mesa)	3

^ - transferred to Basha

% - transferred to Chandler



## 6A SCHEDULES

### ALA-Queen Creek

08/25	..... vs Saguaro	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Boulder Creek	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at ALA - Gilbert North	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Sandra Day O'Connor	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Pinnacle	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Mountain Pointe	7:00 PM
10/05	..... vs Red Mountain	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Highland	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Williams Field	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Queen Creek	7:00 PM

### Basha

08/25	..... at Westwood	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Highland	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Saguaro	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Mountain View (Mesa)	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Sandra Day O'Connor	7:00 PM
09/28	..... vs Brophy Prep	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Hamilton	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Chandler	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Casteel	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Perry	7:00 PM

### Boulder Creek

08/25	..... at Casteel	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs ALA-Queen Creek	7:00 PM
09/07	..... at Hamilton	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Cactus Shadows	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Centennial	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Mountain Ridge	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Sandra Day O'Connor	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Valley Vista	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Shadow Ridge	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Chaparral	7:00 PM

### Brophy Prep

08/25	..... vs Williams Field	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Cathedral Catholic (CA)	7:30 PM
09/08	..... vs Sunnyslope	7:00 PM
09/14	..... vs Chaparral	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Notre Dame Prep	7:00 PM
09/28	..... at Basha	7:00 PM
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11/03	..... vs Salpointe Catholic	7:00 PM

### Casteel

08/25	..... vs Boulder Creek	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Queen Creek	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Carlsbad (CA)	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Trevor G. Browne	7:00 PM
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09/29	..... at Chandler	7:00 PM
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10/27	..... at Basha	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Corona del Sol	7:00 PM

### Centennial

08/25	..... vs Desert Edge	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Corona del Sol	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Mountain Pointe	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Mountain Ridge	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Boulder Creek	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Saguaro	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Chandler	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Chaparral	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Pinnacle	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Liberty	7:00 PM

### Cesar Chavez

08/25	..... vs Chandler	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Westview	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Betty H. Fairfax	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Camelback	7:00 PM
09/21	..... vs Mountain Pointe	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Desert Ridge	7:00 PM
10/05	..... at Westwood	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Mesa	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Mountain View (Mesa)	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Tolleson Union	7:00 PM

### Chandler

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08/31	..... vs Mountain Ridge	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Orange Lutheran (CA)	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Corona del Sol	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Highland	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Casteel	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Centennial	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Basha	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Perry	7:00 PM
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### Chaparral

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10/20	..... at Centennial	7:00 PM
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11/03	..... at Boulder Creek	7:00 PM

### Corona del Sol

08/25	..... vs Casa Grande	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Centennial	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Pinnacle	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Chandler	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Marcos de Niza	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Salpointe Catholic	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Mountain Pointe	7:00 PM
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11/03	..... vs Casteel	7:00 PM

### Desert Ridge

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09/08	..... vs Red Mountain	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Williams Field	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Mountain View (Mesa)	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Cesar Chavez	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Tolleson Union	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Westwood	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Mesa	7:00 PM
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### Desert Vista

08/24	..... vs Perry	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Williams Field	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Valley Vista	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Hamilton	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Chaparral	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Salpointe Catholic	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Brophy Prep	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Ironwood	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Corona del Sol	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Mountain Pointe	7:00 PM

### Hamilton

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09/01	..... at Desert Ridge	7:00 PM
09/07	..... vs Boulder Creek	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Desert Vista	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Mesa	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Perry	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Basha	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Casteel	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Red Mountain	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Chandler	7:00 PM

### Highland

08/25	..... at Mountain Ridge	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Basha	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Lone Peak (UT)	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Campo Verde	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Chandler	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Red Mountain	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Williams Field	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs ALA-Queen Creek	7:00 PM
10/26	..... at Queen Creek	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Desert Ridge	7:00 PM

### Liberty

08/25	..... vs Hamilton	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Sandra Day O'Connor	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Queen Creek	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Sunrise Mountain	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Centennial (CA)	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Pinnacle	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Salpointe Catholic	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Saguaro	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Chaparral	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Centennial	7:00 PM



<b>Mesa</b>		
08/24	..... at Red Mountain	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Valley Vista	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Skyline	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Dobson	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Hamilton	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Tolleson Union	7:00 PM
10/05	..... vs Mountain View (Mesa)	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Cesar Chavez	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Desert Ridge	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Westwood	7:00 PM

<b>Mountain Pointe</b>		
08/25	..... at Valley Vista	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Palm Desert (CA)	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Centennial	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Central	7:00 PM
09/21	..... vs Cesar Chavez	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs ALA-Queen Creek	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Corona del Sol	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Salpointe Catholic	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Brophy Prep	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Desert Vista	7:00 PM

<b>Mountain Ridge</b>		
08/25	..... vs Highland	7:00 PM
08/31	..... vs Chandler	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Williams Field	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Centennial	7:00 PM
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09/29	..... vs Boulder Creek	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Valley Vista	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Shadow Ridge	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Barry Goldwater	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Sandra Day O'Connor	7:00 PM

<b>Mountain View (Mesa)</b>		
08/25	..... at Queen Creek	7:00 PM
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09/08	..... vs Verrado	7:00 PM
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11/03	..... at Red Mountain	7:00 PM

<b>Perry</b>		
08/24	..... at Desert Vista	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Spring Valley (NV)	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Millennium	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Tolleson Union	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Shadow Ridge	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Hamilton	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Casteel	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Williams Field	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Chandler	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Basha	7:00 PM

<b>Pinnacle</b>		
08/25	..... vs Arbor View (NV)	4:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Tolleson Union	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Corona del Sol	7:00 PM
09/14	..... at Horizon	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at ALA-Queen Creek	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Chaparral	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Liberty	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Sandra Day O'Connor	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Centennial	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Saguaro	7:00 PM

<b>Queen Creek</b>		
08/25	..... vs Mountain View (Mesa)	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Casteel	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Liberty	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Canyon View	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Mountain Ridge	7:00 PM
09/28	..... at Williams Field	7:00 PM
10/05	..... at Brighton (UT)	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Red Mountain	7:00 PM
10/26	..... vs Highland	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs ALA-Queen Creek	7:00 PM

<b>Red Mountain</b>		
08/24	..... vs Mesa	7:00 PM
09/02	..... at Helix (CA)	4:00 PM
09/08	..... at Desert Ridge	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Westwood	7:00 PM
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09/29	..... at Highland	7:00 PM
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10/27	..... at Hamilton	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Mountain View (Mesa)	7:00 PM

<b>Saguaro</b>		
08/25	..... at ALA-Queen Creek	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Mountain View (Mesa)	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Basha	7:00 PM
09/14	..... at Shadow Ridge	7:00 PM
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09/29	..... at Centennial	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Chaparral	7:00 PM
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10/27	..... vs Salpointe Catholic	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Pinnacle	7:00 PM

<b>Salpointe Catholic</b>		
08/25	..... vs Marana	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Bishop Alemany	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Shadow Ridge	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Valley Vista	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Desert Vista	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Corona del Sol	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Liberty	7:00 PM
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10/27	..... at Saguaro	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Brophy Prep	7:00 PM

<b>Sandra Day O'Connor</b>		
08/25	..... at Chaparral	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Liberty	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Cactus	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at ALA-Queen Creek	7:00 PM
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10/27	..... vs Valley Vista	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Mountain Ridge	7:00 PM

<b>Shadow Ridge</b>		
08/25	..... vs Tolleson Union	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Chaparral	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Salpointe Catholic	7:00 PM
09/14	..... vs Saguaro	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Perry	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Sandra Day O'Connor	7:00 PM
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10/27	..... at Boulder Creek	7:00 PM
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<b>Tolleson Union</b>		
08/25	..... at Shadow Ridge	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Pinnacle	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs West Point	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Perry	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Agua Fria	7:00 PM
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10/20	..... at Mountain View (Mesa)	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Westwood	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Cesar Chavez	7:00 PM

<b>Valley Vista</b>		
08/25	..... vs Mountain Pointe	7:00 PM
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09/21	..... at Casteel	7:00 PM
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10/27	..... at Sandra Day O'Connor	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Shadow Ridge	7:00 PM

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08/25	..... vs Basha	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Skyline	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Capistrano Valley (CA)	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Red Mountain	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Dobson	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Mountain View (Mesa)	7:00 PM
10/05	..... at Cesar Chavez	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Desert Ridge	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Tolleson	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Mesa	7:00 PM

<b>Williams Field</b>		
08/25	..... at Brophy Prep	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Desert Vista	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Mountain Ridge	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Desert Ridge	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Red Mountain	7:00 PM
09/28	..... vs Queen Creek	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Highland	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Perry	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at ALA-Queen Creek	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Higley	7:00 PM





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# 5A CONFERENCE FOOTBALL PRESEASON RANKINGS



*Higley broke through for its first championship in 2022 but face stiff competition this season in 5A. (Jack Beasley photo/MaxPreps)*

By Jose Garcia  
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**1. DESERT MOUNTAIN:** The Wolves are proving that there's plenty of real estate in Scottsdale for another football power. Becoming a state champ for the first time is the next lofty perch it hopes to reach. To do so, the team must keep its uber-talented two-way threats healthy while navigating its tough schedule. But the key to securing Scottsdale bragging rights and a ring might lie in the production of dual threat QB Brady McDonough. Helping protect the team's own valuable Brady QB are four returning O-linemen.

**2. DESERT EDGE:** For now, it remains on the edge of greatness. But with 12 players holding D-I offers, it may jump into Arizona's pool of state champions by season's end. This off-season, Jr. QB Hezekiah "Budda" Millender appeared taller and, after his offseason weight room regimen, chiseled. The extra power will serve him well while working outside the pocket more often. Besides its bevy of talent, there's also an abundance of senior leadership, beginning with LB Jaylen Dawson and corner Aundre Gibson. The offensive line, headlined by '26 star Jalayne Miller, comes in at 280, 320, 240, 270, and 270 pounds.

**3. HIGLEY:** What do the Knights have in store for a curtain call after last season's first title triumph performance? With its gifted skill players, another deep playoff run can play out. Anticipate two chapters to potentially unfold with the team before the playoffs begin as well. In the second half of the regular season, when the transfers take the field, Higley will be fully stocked. But overlooking the team, especially

its new interior defenders and quarterback, may cost opponents in the early going. The strong throwing arms of two sophomores were competing to run veteran coach Eddy Zubey's no-huddle offense during the first half of the season.

**4. HORIZON:** Are the championship vibes from 2021 returning? It's too early to tell, but there is a lot of buzz surrounding the team. For starters, Horizon is about to become the C & C Pancake Factory with 6-6 tackles Carter Lavrusky (275 pounds) and Dylan Nolan-Cook (300). Mix in D-I bound TE Jax Markovich to Horizon's experienced line, and you have the makings of arguably the state's best O-line. Surely to benefit from the punishers up front are the 1-2 running back combo of Anthony Segura and Bodie Zamorano. On its senior-laden defense, the secondary is intact, the defensive line returns Horizon's 2022 Defensive POY, Jr. Jackson Murray, and LB Carson Kolb is projected to have a big year.

**5. NOTRE DAME PREP:** The 5A's No. 1 playoff seed last year won't sneak up on teams this season. Not with WR Cooper Perry, QB Noah Trigueros and LB Deacon Shea in the lineup. After the opening game last year, when Trigueros started for the first time, the senior was named captain. Ivy League schools are after the composed QB who threw 28 TDs last year. His No. 1 weapon, Perry, likely Arizona's top recruit in the 2025 class, is an athletic juggernaut who led 5A with 20 TD receptions last year. The team's Secretary of Defense, Shea (9.9 tackles per game last year), doesn't get much pub but is as relentless as they come.



**6. CACTUS:** The Cobras' cup runneth over with grit. How else to explain what this program accomplishes annually. It reached a title game last season with one of the lowest enrollments in 5A. Its never-say-die two-way warriors, spearheaded by Nikko Boncore-Montoya, are preparing for battle once again. Its more physical offensive line is ahead of schedule. Its inspirational defensive leader, MLB Raymond Jones, is all heart. The versatile Braiden Lagafuaina and calm and collected Antonio Casillas were auditioning for the starting QB role. The DBs are experienced and need to fill just one spot, which the very resilient Gabe Sotelo will likely fill.

**7. SUNNYSLOPE:** Opening its season with five top-10 opponents is daunting. But helping steer the Vikings through their upcoming clashes will be one of the state's heralded field generals, Oregon commit Luke Moga. If given the green light, Moga's speed might be utilized more this season. He can also rely on a stable of competent wideouts to also frustrate opponents. That group includes a player competing with Moga for top speed team honors, Deven Broady, and three-year starter Dillon Dwiggin. But 'Slope wants a balanced attack, so expect its running back by committee to also get its touches. NAU OL commit Jacob Harkins, two-year OL starter Jacob Jenners and first-team All-Region MLB Gavin Mitchell also are all-stars.

**8. MARANA:** Coach Phillip Steward wants as many folks as possible on Marana's train, even the four-legged kind. "From the parents to the dogs," he said, "everybody needs to buy in. We need the goats, too." His community outreach in Marana's fertile ground is working, as the numbers in his program continue to rise. On the field, the offense of the Marana Express — 65 touchdown passes in the last two

years — also is delivering. Operating the team's spread this season is the very mobile Jason Wood, a senior with a "chip on his shoulder." Also wanting to prove his worth is the hard working and acrobatic-catching Dezmen Roebuck, a junior wide receiver whose stock rose during the offseason.

**9. ALA-GILBERT NORTH:** The Eagles keep moving up the charts. After last year's 4A championship victory, the program was moved up once again for the second time in the last three years. They arrive to their new conference with some top-notch skill players, including University of Arizona commit Brandon Phelps (6-2, 215). Phelps is 44 receptions and 642 receiving yards away from becoming the state's career leader in each category. But slide more protection to his side and Tyton Slade and Boston Morris are bound to make teams pay. Defenses also need to pay attention to the shifty McKay Beardall, a Sr. RB. Chad White, a nephew of legend Danny White, was competing for the starting QB role. The top lineman is Von Brown (6-4, 295).

**10. APOLLO:** The Adam Mohammed variety show moves to its third and final season. The do-it-all back is chasing some school records, but more importantly, a playoff berth. Mohammed is approaching 3,000 career rushing yards and 70 career TDs. Helping clear the stage for him will be fellow University of Arizona commits Michael Watkins (6-3, 290) and LT Matthew Lado (6-3, 290). But don't expect just a one-man show this season. The potential size mismatches for opponents continue with WR Isaiah White (6-4, 175) and TE Joseph Sumpter (6-6, 220). Three-year player WR/DB Kamarion Bell and DB Trey Smith (6 picks last year) add some much needed experience to the defense.



*After a narrow defeat in last year's 5A semifinals, Desert Mountain is out to prove it can go all the way. (Chris Stanley photo/MaxPreps)*



## 5A CONFERENCE FOOTBALL TEAM-BY-TEAM PREVIEW



*With cornerback Aundre Gibson, Desert Edge has another strong team and looks to stiff-arm its way past not only 5A opponents, but maybe even into the Open Division field of eight. (Steve Paynter photo/MaxPreps)*

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### DESERT WEST REGION

#### Cactus

**Head coach:** Brian Belles.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2/10-4.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Braiden Lagafuaina 6-4, 180; Jr. WR/DB Nikko Boncore-Montoya 6-0, 150; Sr. LB/OL Raymond Jones 6-1, 210; Jr. OL/DL Aman Fears 6-1, 275; Sr. LB Kadin Huisinga 5-11, 200.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Depth is always an issue for us in 5A because of school's population. Will our youth be able to adapt to varsity football quickly? Can we replace the loss of four key seniors from last year's team?

**Team expectations:** Our expectations don't change: Win the Region. Make noise in the playoffs.

**Beyond the numbers:** Raymond Jones, a big contributor from last year's team, had open heart surgery in February to repair a leaky valve. He is back and cleared to play. WR Nikko Boncore-Montoya broke a 30-year school record last season as a sophomore with 1,207 receiving yards.

#### Desert Edge

**Head coaches:** Marcus and Mark Carter.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3/26-8.

**Potential milestone:** The Carter brothers are five victories away from 50.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. DB Aundre Gibson 5-11, 175; Jr. QB Hezekiah Millender 6-3, 180; Sr. DE Deshawn Warner 6-4, 225; Sr. WR Kezion Dia-Johnson 5-11, 175; Sr. LB Jaylen Dawson 6-2, 220.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Experience, non-conference schedule, depth.

**Team expectations:** Our expectations have always been to hang a banner at the end of the year.

**Beyond the numbers:** Jonathan Kamara is a great kid who's an immigrant from Africa. He committed to Kansas.

#### Millennium

**Head coach:** Lamar Early.

**Years as school's coach:** 7.

**Potential milestone:** Early is approaching the 100-win mark.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 4.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB Zues Pindernation; Sr. G/T Sean Tripp; Sr. T/DT Mikale Perry; Sr. OL Gavin Batchelor; Sr. LB Isaac Huerigo.

**Team's biggest question marks:** How will our youth hold up with our schedule. The health of the team.

**Team expectations:** We want to be competitive in every game and put ourselves in a position to compete for the region title and playoffs.

#### Verrado

**Head coach:** Dustin Johnson.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2/12-8.

**Years as school's coach:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Sr. DL Ryan Willey 6-4, 220; Sr. WR/DB Jhayden Frye 5-11, 175; Sr. OL Jacob Rodriguez 6-2, 245; Sr. LB Max Douglas 5-10, 195; Sr. LB Gunner Gingg 6-1, 210.



**Team's biggest question marks:** Depth, replacing graduating athletes, size up front.

**Team expectations:** We have a hungry group that truly loves the game of football. Coach Jhay Frye coming in as our offensive coordinator and Jeremy Mager as defensive coordinator will give us a good new look and a big boost.

**Beyond the numbers:** I have two coaches who have sons that are top notch players, Ryan and Mike Willey, and Jhayden and Jhay Frye.

*Region notes: QB Beau Devens (21 TDs, 64% completion percentage last year) and two of his favorite outside targets last year, Santino Varvel and Ayden Lange, return for Canyon View. ... Sunrise Mountain is coming off its worst season since 2009, but don't expect that to last with coach Steve Decker at the helm.*

## CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

### Cibola

**Head coach:** Kasey Koepplin.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/2-8.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 3.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB/DE Ty Stout 6-4, 185; Sr. QB/DE Andrew McNair 6-1, 175; Sr. FB/LB Isaiah Ortega 5-9, 185; Sr. LB/RB/P Issael Ibarra 5-9, 170; Fr. OL/DL Caesar Fernandez 5-10, 290.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Experience of group after graduating 25 seniors. Depth at key positions.

**Team expectations:** For us to become a more complete team with contributions from a large majority of the roster versus a small handful of athletes. While navigating a new division and region schedule, our expectation is to adjust and compete at the highest level.

**Beyond the numbers:** Issael Ibarra and his brother, Izzy, both work jobs to help their family take care of daily items on top of being at morning practices, maintaining high academic achievements and participating in multiple sports. Isaiah Ortega has a desire and love for the game of football few can match. He has a goal to play at the college level, achieves at a high level academically, comes from a home situation without a dad, and has impressive artistic and culinary talents. Zachary Marks, Dominic Lopez and Adolfo Garcia were volunteer coaches for us this past year and did not miss anything. From organizing our weight room on the weekend, to home games for varsity when they were freshmen and JV coaches, they assist with offseason training almost daily all while having full time jobs and commitments. They have dedicated a large amount of time, work and care to help us get the program headed in the right direction.

### Paradise Valley

**Head coach:** Greg Davis.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 9/51-38.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. LB/OL Brock Behrend 5-10, 185; Sr. WR/DB Petar Milosavljevic 6-1, 185; Jr. WR/DB Elanta Fleming 5-10, 160; Sr. OL Ethan Breland 6-0, 200; Sr. OL Josh Johns 5-9, 225.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Quarterback. We do not have one true QB on our campus at this moment. Will have to develop one completely from scratch. Depth as always.

**Team expectations:** Keep the program going in a positive direction. Contend for a region championship. Develop young men into great men.

### Raymond S. Kellis

**Head coach:** Ben Kullos.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2/11-9.

**Key returning players:** Sr. LB Bryce Bacon 5-9, 190; Jr. WR/LB Tristan Bacon 6-1, 210; Jr. ATH Ronald Coty 6-1, 210; Sr. OL Carson Hutching 6-2, 260; Jr. DB Jason Perez 5-9, 175.

### West Point

**Head coach:** Jerry Ball.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3/8-12.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. FS/KR/QB Anthony Lopes; Jr. WR David Cabrera; Sr. C Gio Neary; Sr. DL Rueben Valenzuela; Sr. DL Elexus Garcia.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Offensive line. New defense.

**Team expectations:** We have high expectations after our 5-5 2022-23 campaign.

### Westview

**Head coach:** Sean Moran.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 3.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** Sr. WR/DB KB Ehrhart 6-0, 170; Sr. DL Steven Vasquez 6-4, 250; Sr. DL/OL David Garcia 6-0, 240; Sr. OL Noah Perez 6-3, 280; So. OL Edgar Martinez 6-4, 300.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Quarterback, new offensive line, adjusting to a new offense.

**Team expectations:** I expect my players to come out with tenacity until the very last whistle. I expect my players to fight for a region championship.

**Beyond the numbers:** Defensive coordinator Adrian Drew has come in and installed a new defense that has the kids flying around and making plays. He is my right-hand man with changing the culture. Jaden Garcia has been a vocal leader and is dead-set on restoring Westview football to the excellence that he once saw as a middle schooler.

*Region notes: North Canyon, which won two of its last three games last year, is searching for its first winning season since 2016.*

## METRO REGION

### Camelback

**Head coach:** Brandon McNutt.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 10/33-45.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 9.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 9.

**Key returning players:** Jr. DB/WR/KR Daviyon Day 5-10, 190; Sr. QB Rocco Mortensen 6-3, 215; Sr. LB/RB Tali Maafu 6-2, 215; Jr. WR/DB Kemahn Knight 5-10, 165; Jr. DE/TE Da'Jieon Carter 6-3, 220.

**Team's biggest question marks:** On offense, replacing two time first-team all-conference players, OL Ian Martinez and Eddie Cortez. On defense, replacing two-time first-team all-conference LB Julian Abreu. Game 3 is circled against Desert Edge in Camelback's 'Zoo.' Need to make sure we don't look pass our two first opponents, Cactus Shadows and Dobson.

**Team expectations:** 4-6, 1-0 (Covid season) and then 7-3 and 6-4. In the last two years our last game determined playoffs and region champs, coming up short. Our expectation is to wrap up a playoff berth by game seven and win region. Our staff and players



know we can make a run in the playoffs. We have had several key transfers, and Rocco Mortensen sat out last season. His sophomore varsity stats: 1,800 passing yards and 17 TDs. Incoming QB Mason Penrod (2027) is 6-1, 185 and will push Rocco for the starting job. Tali Maaflu sat last season and will make an immediate impact. Daviyon Day (2025) is a first-team DB/PR, second-team KR who never leaves the field. Eleven of our class of 2025 players have started on varsity since freshman season.

**Beyond the numbers:** Rocco Mortensen's father is battling cancer, and his father transferred him to Camelback, where his father is a Camelback alum.

### Central

**Head coach:** Chandler Hovik.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4/17-16.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** Sr. K/DB/WR Ismail Foz 6-0, 180; Sr. RB/DB Bryson Ballard 5-10, 175; Sr. WR/DB Ja'Coby Gilmore 5-9, 170; Jr. OL/DL Sebastian Guillen Line 5-10, 240; Jr. WR/DB Bre'on Ballard 5-11, 175.

**Team's biggest question marks:** New QB. Building off a special season. Leadership.

**Team expectations:** We are expecting to take the next step in being a big-time program. We are working towards being able to compete for championships. We have a lot of talented players coming back, but we need to mature and grow our leadership and discipline. We will continue to work for everything we want to accomplish.

### South Mountain

**Head coach:** Byron Evans.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2.5/9-14.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Sr. OL/DL Andres Guevera 6-4, 275; Sr. ATH Michael Young 6-0, 175; Sr. WR/DB Jamius Griffin 6-1, 185; Sr. DB/RB Jamari Hill 5-10, 175; Sr. WR/DB Anthony Gammage 5-10, 175.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Depth, team chemistry, starting fast.

**Team expectations:** 10-0, playoffs and getting an opportunity to win the championship.

### Trevor Browne

**Head coach:** Francisco Rangel.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3/12-11.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 3.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. ATH Luis Fierro 6-0, 180; Sr. DB Eric Washington 5-6, 150; Jr. LB Damion Gallegos 5-8, 160; Jr. DL Rae Hill 5-11, 215; Jr. DB/QB Mannie Campos 5-7, 165.

**Team's biggest question marks:** OL and DL. A lot of new faces on both sides of the line. Both QBs that started last year return. Creating and developing depth will be a major factor.

**Team expectations:** We were finally placed at the correct level where we can be competitive each week. We expect to be in the conversation for a region title.

*Region notes:* At Desamais had five interceptions for North last season.

## SONORAN REGION

### Flowing Wells

**Head coach:** Brian Hook.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/3-7.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Sr. TE/LB Diego Acosta 6-1, 175; Sr. OL/DL Jacob Nilson 6-3, 275; Sr. WR/DB Jerry Ortiz 5-7, 140; Sr. WR/DB Jackson LaBlue 5-7, 140; Sr. RB/DB Josyah Monarrez 5-7, 140.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Depth and experience at the line positions.

**Team expectations:** Be competitive and play at a high level in every game we play.

**Beyond the numbers:** Diego Acosta is a two-way starter, recognized as all-conference performer. He battled through injuries and never missed a game. He always makes a difference on the field. Gabriel Nilson sat out most of his sophomore year and all of his junior year due to injuries. He is healthy going into his senior year and will be an impact player.

### Ironwood Ridge

**Head coach:** Dale Stott.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2/1-9.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 11.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 9.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Dominic Norris 6-2, 180; Jr. WR/CB Aiden Norris 6-1, 170; Jr. TE/LB David Baba 6-3, 205; Sr. OL Matthew DeLeon 5-10, 255; Sr. LB Oluwanifemi Femi-Adeleye 6-3, 205.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Defensive line, secondary.

**Team expectations:** With nearly all starters returning and a vigorous offseason strength program, we have very high expectations for this team. A region championship and a playoff spot is our goal.

**Beyond the numbers:** David Baba and Femi Adeleye are both outstanding student athletes whose parents immigrated from Nigeria.

### Mountain View (Marana)

**Head coach:** Matt Johnson.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 5/15-18.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 3.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Will Howell 6-3, 190; Sr. RB/DB Meeberibari Mene-Bie 6-2, 185; Sr. WR Justin Holguin 6-2, 170; Sr. OL Thaddaeus Keschinger 6-5, 285; Jr. RB/LB Nick Horrocks 6-2, 205.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Replacing four out of five starting OL. Team speed on defense.

**Team expectations:** Hoping to compete for a playoff spot.

*Region notes:* Maricopa's leading passer, Robert Knorr, and rusher, Nate Barlow, last year return. ... Nogales transitioned to a new coach, Joshua Jetton, who was coaching in Washington last season. ... Former Salpointe assistant Zachary Neveleff is Tucson's new coach.



## NORTHWEST REGION

### Agua Fria

**Head coach:** Ricky Higuera.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2nd year/1-9.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 4.

**Key returning players:** Sr. OL/LB Joel Rendon 5-10, 190; Sr. OL/DL Mirza Hamzabegovic 5-10, 240; Sr. OL Nathan Nyguen 6-2, 225; Sr. LB/FB Lorenzo Rodriguez 6-0, 220; So. ATH Christian Garcia 6-0, 160.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Will we be able to handle adversity the best way possible no matter the game? What is going to be our identity on both sides of the ball? Can we learn from each week to continue to grow?

**Team expectations:** Grow each game, with the underclassmen following the senior leadership. For the seniors, to do the small things right at all times.

**Beyond the numbers:** Tony Cluff, our defensive coordinator, is an Agua Fria alum and looks to return the school back to the days when he played here. He's not only committed to the program, but to the community as well.

### Apollo

**Head coach:** Aaron Walls.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4/20-19.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB/ATH Adam Mohammed 5-11, 185; Sr. OG Michael Watkins 6-3, 285; Sr. LT Matthew Lado 6-6, 260; Sr. C Trey Smith 5-10, 165; Sr. WR/DB Kamarion Bell 5-7, 140.

**Team's biggest question marks:** QB, depth, defensive linemen.

**Team expectations:** Challenging to become the region champs, make the playoffs and get out of first round.

**Beyond the numbers:** Adam Mohammed is on track to break some records set by Prince Amukamara.



*Apollo RB Adam Mohammed (Alejandro Salazar photo/MaxPreps)*

### Barry Goldwater

**Head coach:** Frank Lautt.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 5/18-18.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 3.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 4.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Brodie Drank 6-2, 210; Sr. OL Carlos Pedregon 6-0, 275; Jr. OL Jayvion Whitt 5-10, 255; Sr. DB Carlos Molina 5-9, 155.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Our depth at wideout and FB.

**Team expectations:** We are expecting to continue to progress after last year and play at a high level each week.

### Ironwood

**Head coach:** Tony Stillings.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Jr. QB Conner Crane 6-0, 195; Sr. WR Adian Jones 6-0, 155; Sr. LB Maddox Rich 5-10, 185; Jr. FS Mohammad Salman 6-0, 175; Sr. WR Nathan Darley 6-1, 150.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Offensive and defensive line play, depth at key positions and adaptation to new offensive and defensive systems.

**Team expectations:** To be in the hunt for a region championship and a playoff berth.

**Beyond the numbers:** We are really excited about what QB Conner Crane brings to the position. He is a student of the game, makes good decisions, is a tremendous competitor, has a good arm strength, and runs with power.

### Willow Canyon

**Head coach:** Justin Stangler.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 6/25-22.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 4.

**Key returning players:** Sr. FS Austin Rhodes 6-0, 180; Sr. OL Austin Bouffard 6-1, 250; Sr. QB Calvin Manthews 5-11, 175; Sr. SS Jason Campbell 5-7, 165; Jr. DB/RB Thomas Gilbert 5-9, 175.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Young line.

**Team expectations:** Fourth consecutive winning season. We feel we can compete for another region championship and make the playoffs.

**Beyond the numbers:** Austin Bouffard is the team leader/captain.

## NORTHEAST VALLEY REGION

### ALA-Gilbert North

**Head coach:** Randy Ricedorff.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 6/54-16.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. WR Brandon Phelps 6-3, 215; Sr. WR/LB Boston Morris 6-0, 195; Sr. WR/DB Tyton Slade 6-2, 185; Sr. RB/DB McKay Beardall 5-10, 180; Jr. OL/DL Von Brown 6-4, 295.

**Team's biggest question marks:** New QB. Defensive line.

**Team expectations:** 5A state champions.

**Beyond the numbers:** McKay Beardall is an amazing leader. Brandon Phelps is finding faith in the height of his high school experience. Tyton Slade has the opportunity to be coached by his brother, JT, and dad, Tim.





Notre Dame Prep QB Noah Trigueros (Darin Sicurello photo/MaxPreps)

### Cactus Shadows

**Head coach:** Chris Dixon II.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2/4-6.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** So. QB Donivan Dixon 5-9, 170; Sr. WR Billy Deatch 5-8, 160; Sr. TE/DE Torins Mayse 6-5, 210; Sr. LB Mi'cha Patmon 6-3, 230; Sr. WR Noah Brouse 5-10, 170.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Can we be more physical. Winning ways.

**Team expectations:** To be better each day. Winning state is the ultimate goal, but can we get 1% better each day.

### Higley

**Head coach:** Eddy Zubey.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 13/90-61.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB Dax Hall 5-10, 185; Sr. DB Donovan Aidoo 6-2, 195; Sr. DB Nijrell Eason 6-0, 175; Sr. OL Emmett Rhodes 6-1, 255; Sr. DB Andrew Zubey 6-2, 190.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Defensive line, wide receiver.

**Team expectations:** To improve every week and make a run in the playoffs.

### Horizon

**Head coach:** Andy Litten.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2/19-7.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 9.

**Key returning players:** Sr. OT Carter Lavrusky 6-6, 275; Sr. LB Carson Kolb 6-4, 215; Sr. OL Dylan Nolan Cook 6-6, 300; Jr. DL Jackson Murray 6-2, 250; Sr. LB/RB Anthony Segura 6-1, 195.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Finding our new QB, how our receivers will contribute, and how our defense fits in with the new coordinator.

**Team expectations:** We want to compete for the 5A state championship and win our region.

**Beyond the numbers:** Our offensive line is senior heavy and very big. We're excited about their potential as a group.

### Notre Dame Prep

**Head coach:** George Prelock.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 6/61-13.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 4.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Noah Trigueros 6-2, 195; Jr. WR Cooper Perry 6-2, 185; Sr. LB/RB Deacon Shea 5-10, 190; Jr. FB/TE/LB Cody Wells 6-2, 205; Jr. CB JJ Francis 6-1, 180.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Depth. How OL/DL will come together after graduating a number of seniors at those positions.

**Team expectations:** To compete and play hard in every game in a schedule that is challenging.

**Beyond the numbers:** Noah Trigueros and Deacon Shea are team leaders/captains. Cooper Perry is an unbelievable athlete. Defensive assistant coach Nick Smith is a yellow jacket for the Fiesta Bowl.

*Region notes: Desert Mountain's Dylan Tapley has caught 25 TD passes and picked off 16 passes in the last two years.*

## SAN TAN REGION

### Campo Verde

**Head coach:** Ryan Freeman.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4/14-15.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** Sr. OT Connor Cameron 6-7, 285; Sr. LB Gavin Silene 6-1, 220; Sr. RB Athan Ferber 5-8, 180; Jr. RB/LB Bobby Blackburn 5-11, 190; So. WR Carter Haygood 6-0, 170.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Lack of varsity experience on both sides of the ball. Who will win the QB competition prior to the start of the season. Will the young guys on the roster adjust to the speed of the varsity game.

**Team expectations:** Challenge for a region title. Make the playoffs.

**Beyond the numbers:** Athan Ferber was not only an all-region running back, but he is also a three sport varsity athlete and has a 4.5 GPA. He only missed two games last season with broken bones in his back. He is also on student council and is one of the best leaders in the school.

### Dobson

**Head coach:** Bill Godsil.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4/11-26.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 4.

**Key returning players:** Jr. T Isael Urias 6-3, 290; Sr. RB/DE Allen Wallace 6-0, 230; Jr. LB/RB Tyler Paczesney 5-11, 200; Jr. DB/WR David Chase 5-10, 160; Sr. WR Elias Murray 5-10, 165.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Can our young players step up to varsity play. New quarterback.

**Team expectations:** Being competitive and improving weekly.

**Beyond the numbers:** Defensive coordinator Craig Cogley beat cancer twice.

### McClintock

**Head coach:** Mike Fell.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/3-7.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. WR/DB Peter Schoppe 6-0, 175; Sr. LB Joe Flores 6-0, 185; Sr. C Aaron Galacias 5-10, 235; Jr. FS Alexander Brice 5-11, 155; So. WR Khalil Bender 5-10, 150.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Offensive line. Special teams.

**Team expectations:** Win our region and make the playoffs.



### Skyline

**Head coach:** Adam Schiermyer.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/5-5.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB Jordan Blake 5-7, 185; Sr. OL/DL Alex Sargent 6-1, 285; Sr. QB Randall Branton 6-2, 175; Sr. LB Gabe Tapia 5-10, 190; Sr. Joiah Palaita 5-11, 235.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Did we compete every day? How is our attitude? Did we give maximum effort?

**Team expectations:** We have the opportunity to be a great team. We want to compete weekly, win our region and make a run in the playoffs.

**Beyond the numbers:** Branton is a second year starter with spectacular work ethic. Sargent has transformed from having potential to we can't wait to see what he does. Coach Huber brings belief and dedication to the program and college level defense to the school.

### Sunnyslope

**Head coach:** Sam Jacobs.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3/17-12.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Luke Moga 6-2, 200; Sr. OL Jacob Harkins 6-2, 260; Sr. OL/DL Jacob Jenners 6-2, 240; Sr. WR Dillion Dwiggins 6-2, 180; Sr. WR/DB Chris Castillo 5-8, 170.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Can we survive our tough schedule? Can we handle high expectations?

**Team expectations:** With our talent we think we can make a deep playoff run.

**Beyond the numbers:** Luke Moga's recruitment sky rocketed during the offseason. Jacob Harkins and Jacob Jenners love the grind and bring leadership.

*Region notes: Parker Bryce had 17 sacks and teammate Danny Hesse threw 13 TD passes last year for Gilbert.*

## SOUTHERN REGION

### Casa Grande

**Head coach:** Mark Luna.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/4-6.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Jr. QB Eltona Gant 5-10, 180; Jr. C/DL Lelend Cevedia 6-1, 300; Sr. WR/RB Nathan Long 5-10, 175; Sr. DB Kenny Campbell 5-9, 175; Sr. LB Gabe Magana 5-11, 190.

**Team's biggest question marks:** OL, DL and kicker.

**Team expectations:** Win our region, make the playoffs and be a final four team.

**Beyond the numbers:** C/DL Lelend Cevedia has D-I ability, but because he's a on the shorter side he's not getting the respect he deserves. He started every game as a freshman on a team that went 14-0 and won state and was named first-team all-region his freshman year. He started on offense and defense every game this past year and was the top vote getter at his position for the first-team all-San Tan Region team and was honorable mention all-state. He is a first year wrestler who qualified for state and is a great kid on and off the field with a 3.7 GPA.

### Cienega

**Head coach:** Justin Argraves.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2/13-9.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Evan Weber 6-1, 175; Sr. WR/DB Ari Dubin 5-11, 165; Sr. RB/LB Jimmy McCormack 6-1, 190; Sr. WR/LB James Kendryna 5-11, 175; Sr. OL/DL Connor Wright 6-1, 230.

**Team's biggest question marks:** We will have a lot of new faces on OL/DL. We will have a handful of sophomores in key positions.

**Team expectations:** High expectations as always in all three phases of the game.

**Beyond the numbers:** Evan Weber started last season as a back-up QB. He came in during Week 4 due to an injury to a starter and threw for 1,800 yards and ended up being a first team all-region QB and punter.

### Marana

**Head coach:** Phillip Steward.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3/17-3.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** WR/DB Dezmen Roebuck 6-0, 185; DB/WR Jaelen Collins 6-2, 175; OT Tyler Evans 6-4, 300; ATH Jason Wood 6-1, 190; LB Markus Gonzales 6-2, 215.

**Team expectations:** State title.

### Sunnyside

**Head coach:** Thomas Romack.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/7-3.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** Sr. OL Diego Echeverria; Sr. WR Samario Garcia; Sr. LB Victor Gonzalez; Sr. DB Freddy Leon; Sr. DB Antonio Martinez.

**Team expectations:** Win a playoff game.

*Region notes: Buena, which was 7-3 last year, returns Jr. RB Andres Bonilla, who averaged 171.8 rushing yards per game and scored 18 TDs in 2022. ... Jr. Chris Garcia averaged 10.7 tackles per game last year for Desert View (16-5 in the last two years).*



Marana WR Dezmen Roebuck (Mark Jones photo/MaxPreps)



# STAR CAN FORCE OPPONENTS TO “TAP” OUT IN DIFFERENT WAYS



**DYLAN  
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WIDE RECEIVER/  
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**DESERT MOUNTAIN  
WOLVES**



**The last two years in the playoffs have been tough for Desert Mountain. Do you feel like the team is in a better position this year, and what do you think you guys can do to get over that hump in the playoffs?**

Yeah, obviously the past two seasons in the semifinals have been very close games and came down to the last minute or two, I think. What puts us apart from those last two appearances is our key players are all returning. I think last year, every single player on our starting offense besides our quarterback was a junior. So I think that's what sets us apart from our past teams, just experience and we are way hungrier too.

**Do you know who your team's starting quarterback is this year?**

We have three really talented quarterbacks. One is Brady McDonough, who's committed to Navy and still recovering from a leg injury, but he should be good to go. Then there is a quarterback who transferred from Chaparral, Bryce Herges, who is very talented and has all the tools to be a great quarterback and then a freshman, Grant Garduno, who has a lot of potential and can sling it too. So three great quarterbacks for us and whoever the starter is going to go in there and do their best.

**What was it like playing alongside your brother Drew, a quarterback who graduated last year?**

Oh, it was great. You know, having that extra chemistry and the connection down the field, it was definitely a dream come true and I enjoyed every second of it. He is going to play quarterback at Drake University in Iowa, so I am happy for him.

**You play both safety and wide receiver. Is there a position that you prefer?**

Not really. I like playing both the same amount, contributing on both sides of the field to positions that I can't really compare to each other. But I have just as much fun at each one.

**Does your coach, Conrad Hamilton, being a former NFL defensive back, influence you or does that not matter to you?**

Well, growing up playing youth football in middle school, I was mainly just a receiver. Then when I came up to varsity my sophomore year and started on varsity, coach really liked me at safety and thought I could make a huge impact and had a lot of potential there. So he kind of influenced me at safety and got me to like it. I kind of just fell in love with that position.

**You were the first in-state commit to Arizona State for coach Kenny Dillingham. What were your other offers, and what was your first impression of ASU during your visit?**

My other scholarships were Oregon, Kansas State, Arizona, Kansas, Iowa State, and some other schools. My first impression was really just how energetic (Dillingham) was and how much energy he puts into the program. He's committed to rebuilding Arizona State and making them a really good program.

**Why did you choose Arizona State over all those other schools?**

I wanted to be a part of turning around something and insert something special, kind of starting a trend. And really just the relationship I had with the coaching staff was off the charts. The school in general I think was a perfect fit for me, and the scheme with coach Dillingham's offense and (defensive coordinator) coach (Brian) Ward on the defense were both perfect fits for who I am as a player. The main reason was I just really wanted to be a part of the rebuild, that I was part of this and could jump start this rebuild and others would follow.

**What are your team and personal goals that you have set for yourself this year?**

First off, I care about my team goals more than anything. I'm a team first player, so obviously I just want my team to be as successful as they can be. The first thing is to win the championship. That's what I want the most and I think we can truly accomplish that with the talent and experience we have on our roster. My personal goal would probably be 1,500 receiving yards and break the Arizona state interception record for a career. I'm at 16 right now, so I think I could do it. I don't know where the record is at, I just think I have to be close to that. I broke the school record for interceptions, so once I find out what that record is, I'm coming for that record for sure. (The 5A state interception record is 25, according to the AIA archives. The 11-man all-class Arizona record is 32.)

**Outside of football, what are your interests, and what do you plan to study once you go to college?**

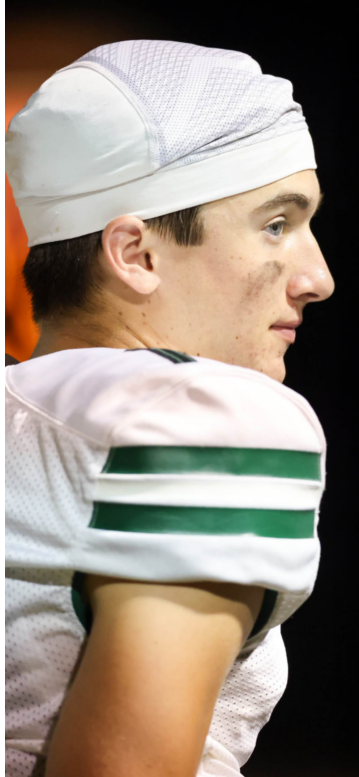
I'm probably going to study sports management, something I've always kind of been interested in. I love sports, so I want to stay in the sports field after I'm done playing. I think that's something that would be great for me, so that's definitely what I want to study in college. Then my hobbies are going to the gym, playing basketball and hanging out with my family.

**Do you have aspirations to keep playing football as your career, or in college are you going to start to venture into other things?**

I think it's a little bit of both. The NFL has been a lifetime goal, so I'm going to do everything in my power to try to get to that next level. But, if something happens and I can't fulfill that dream, then that's where studying a major and doing other things with my life comes into play. Football comes to an end for everyone. It doesn't matter who you are. So you're gonna have to think what you're going to do after football's over. So that's the good part about going to ASU, I'll know what I want to do after football's done. In the meantime, I am just training to be the best student that I can be and reaching the NFL is the goal.

—Josh Amick, AZPreps365.com





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2022 5A RETURNING STAT

# LEADERS

Millennium RB Zues Pindernation [Chris Stanley photo/MaxPreps]

Sunnyslope QB Luke Moga [Kevin French photo/MaxPreps]



Source: MaxPreps

## PASSING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	TDs/INT
Jr.	Hezekiah Millender, Desert Edge	3,003/250.2	35/7
Sr.	Noah Trigueros, Notre Dame	2,718/209.1	28/6
Sr.	Beau Devens, Canyon View	2,500/227.3	21/11
Sr.	Luke Moga, Sunnyslope	2,258/205.3	26/8
Sr.	Evan Weber, Cienega	1,742/193.6	20/4
So.	Donivan Dixon, Cactus Shadows	1,707/170.7	18/10
Sr.	Danny Hesse, Gilbert	1,625/147.7	13/16
Sr.	Brady McDonough, Desert Mountain	1,535/153.5	17/7
Jr.	Eltorna Gant, Casa Grande	1,368/136.8	9/8
Jr.	Richard Valdez, West Point	1,305/145.0	13/7

## SCORING

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Points	Pts/G	TDs
Sr.	RB	Adam Mohammed, Apollo	204	20.4	34
Sr.	WR	Brandon Phelps, ALA-Gilbert North (4A)	201	15.5	28
Sr.	RB	Daxen Hall, Higley	150	10.7	24
Sr.	RB	Markhi McKinnon, Barry Goldwater*	136	13.6	21
Jr.	WR	Cooper Perry, Notre Dame	128	9.8	21
Sr.	RB	Jordan Blake, Skyline	126	12.6	21
Sr.	RB	Zues Pindernation, Millennium	122	11.1	20
Jr.	RB	Andres Bonilla, Buena	110	12.2	18
Sr.	WR	Dylan Tapley, Desert Mountain	102	7.8	17
Sr.	WR	Boston Morris, ALA-Gilbert North (4A)	102	7.3	12

## RUSHING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	Yds-C	TDs
Sr.	Markhi McKinnon, Barry Goldwater*	1,874/187.4	8.72	21
Sr.	Jordan Blake, Skyline	1,572/157.2	7.45	21
Jr.	Andres Bonilla, Buena	1,546/171.8	8.27	12
Sr.	Daxen Hall, Higley	1,524/108.9	7.54	20
Sr.	Zues Pindernation, Millennium	1,478/134.4	6.26	18
Sr.	Adam Mohammed, Apollo	1,341/134.1	7.53	30
Sr.	Prince Mugisha, Tucson	863/86.3	6.69	6
Sr.	Francisco Alvarado, La Joya	847/94.1	4.81	6
Sr.	Max Shefrin, Desert Mountain	815/62.7	5.06	6
Sr.	Jonathan Daniels, Agua Fria	797/79.7	6.53	5

## RECEIVING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	Yds-R	TDs
Sr.	Brandon Phelps, ALA-Gilbert North (4A)	1,710/131.5	17.63	28
Sr.	Jack Freeburg, Desert Mountain	1,279/98.3	14.69	12
Jr.	Dezmen Roebuck, Marana	1,274/106.2	13.85	13
Jr.	Nikko Boncore-Montoya, Cactus	1,207/86.2	19.47	9
Sr.	Dylan Tapley, Desert Mountain	1,141/87.8	20.02	17
Jr.	Cooper Perry, Notre Dame	1,100/84.6	14.10	12
Sr.	Tyton Slade, ALA-Gilbert North (4A)	1,058/75.6	17.34	14
Sr.	Boston Morris, ALA-Gilbert North (4A)	818/58.4	13.86	6
Sr.	Dillon Dwiggin, Sunnyslope	773/70.3	20.89	9
Sr.	Santino Varvel, Canyon View	767/69.7	18.26	9

## TOTAL YARDS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total Yds	Yds-G
Jr.	QB	Hezekiah Millender, Desert Edge	3,255	271.2
Sr.	QB	Noah Trigueros, Notre Dame	3,254	250.3
Sr.	QB	Luke Moga, Sunnyslope	2,797	254.3
Sr.	QB	Beau Devens, Canyon View	2,792	254.3
Sr.	QB	Brady McDonough, Desert Mountain	2,245	224.5
So.	QB	Donivan Dixon, Cactus Shadows	2,111	211.1
Sr.	RB	Markhi McKinnon, Barry Goldwater*	1,959	195.9
Sr.	QB	Evan Weber, Cienega	1,899	211.0
Sr.	RB	Daxen Hall, Higley	1,894	135.3
Jr.	QB	Eltorna Gant, Casa Grande	1,825	182.5

## TACKLES

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total tackles	Tackles-G
Sr.	MLB	Deacon Shea, Notre Dame	129	9.9
Sr.	LB	Gavin Silene, Campo Verde	122	12.2
Sr.	MLB	Jacob Pitts, Higley	118	9.1
Sr.	LB	Victor Gonzales, Sunnyside	106	10.6
Sr.	MLB	Raymond Jones, Cactus	103	7.4
Sr.	MLB	Jaylen Dawson, Desert Edge	100	8.3
Sr.	MLB	Gabe Tapia, Skyline	99	9.9
Sr.	SS	Donovan Aidoo, Higley	99	7.6
Sr.	MLB	Stephen Schenk, Gilbert	98	9.8
Sr.	MLB	Samuel Ocampo, Nogales	97	9.7

## SACKS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total Sacks	Sacks-G
Sr.	OLB	Parker Bryce, Gilbert	17.0	1.5
Jr.	DT	Trig Riefkohl, Verrado	11.5	1.0
Sr.	OLB	Deshawn Warner, Desert Edge	9.0	0.8
Sr.	DE	William Haretuku, Gilbert	8.0	0.7
Jr.	DE	Gabriel Rodriguez, Cactus	7.5	0.5
Sr.	ATH	Ivan Shaw, South Mountain	7.0	0.7
So.	DT	Tony Cumberland, Desert Mountain	6.0	0.5
Sr.	DL	Trey Bohm, Canyon View	6.0	0.5
Sr.	DE	Ezra Edmond, Millennium	5.5	0.8
Sr.	DE	Ryan Willey, Verrado	5.5	0.7

## INTERCEPTIONS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total INTs
Sr.	SS	Tyton Slade, ALA-Gilbert North (4A)	9
Sr.	FS	Dylan Tapley, Desert Mountain	8
Sr.	CB	Trey Smith, Apollo	6
Sr.	CB	Deven Broady, Sunnyslope	6
Jr.	CB	J.J. Francis, Notre Dame	5
Sr.	SS	Austin Rhodes, Willow Canyon	4
Sr.	FS	Bryson Ballard, Central	4
Sr.	CB	Jaalen Collins, Marana	4
Sr.	SS	Santana Wilson, Desert Mountain	4
Sr.	SS	Donovan Aidoo, Higley	4

\* - transferred to Desert Edge



## 5A SCHEDULES

### Agua Fria

08/25	..... vs Flowing Wells	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Canyon View	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs North Canyon	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Betty H. Fairfax	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Tolleson	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Ironwood	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Willow Canyon	7:00 PM
10/19	..... vs Barry Goldwater	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Apollo	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Cactus Shadows	7:00 PM

### ALA-Gilbert North

08/25	..... at North	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Gilbert	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs ALA-Queen Creek	7:00 PM
09/14	..... vs Paradise Valley	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Skyline	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Higley	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Cactus Shadows	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Desert Mountain	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Notre Dame Prep	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Horizon	7:00 PM

### Apollo

08/25	..... vs Sunnyside	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Sunnyslope	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Thunderbird	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at West Point	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs North	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Barry Goldwater	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Shadow Ridge	7:00 PM
10/19	..... vs Willow Canyon	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Agua Fria	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Ironwood	7:00 PM

### Barry Goldwater

08/25	..... vs Notre Dame Prep	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at North Canyon	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Apache Junction	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Verrado	7:00 PM
09/21	..... vs Flowing Wells	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Apollo	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Ironwood	7:00 PM
10/19	..... at Agua Fria	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Mountain Ridge	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Willow Canyon	7:00 PM

### Betty H. Fairfax

08/25	..... at Buena	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Verrado	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Cesar Chavez	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Agua Fria	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Sierra Linda	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at North	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at South Mountain	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Central	7:00 PM
10/26	..... vs Camelback	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Trevor G. Browne	7:00 PM

### Buena

08/25	..... vs Betty H. Fairfax	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Ironwood Ridge	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Catalina Foothills	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Tucson	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Pueblo	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Marana	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Desert View	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Cienega	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Sunnyside	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Casa Grande	7:00 PM

### Cactus

08/25	..... at Sunnyslope	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Snowflake	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Sandra Day O'Connor	7:00 PM
09/14	..... vs Desert Mountain	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Peoria	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Canyon View	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Verrado	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Sunrise Mountain	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Desert Edge	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Millennium	7:00 PM

### Cactus Shadows

08/25	..... vs Camelback	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs West Point	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Las Vegas (NV)	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Boulder Creek	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Higley	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Desert Mountain	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at ALA-Gilbert North	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Notre Dame Prep	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Horizon	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Agua Fria	7:00 PM

### Camelback

08/25	..... at Cactus Shadows	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Dobson	7:00 PM
09/07	..... at Desert Edge	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Cesar Chavez	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Arcadia	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Trevor G. Browne	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at North	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs South Mountain	7:00 PM
10/26	..... at Betty H. Fairfax	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Central	7:00 PM

### Campo Verde

08/25	..... at Higley	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Millennium	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Poston Butte	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Highland	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Desert Mountain	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Dobson	7:00 PM
10/05	..... vs Sunnyslope	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Skyline	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs McClintock	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Gilbert	7:00 PM

### Canyon View

08/25	..... at Horizon	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Agua Fria	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Gilbert	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Queen Creek	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Buckeye Union	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Cactus	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Millennium	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Desert Edge	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Verrado	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Sunrise Mountain	7:00 PM

### Casa Grande

08/25	..... at Corona del Sol	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Nogales	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Paradise Valley	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Maricopa	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Mica Mountain	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Desert View	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Cienega	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Sunnyside	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Marana	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Buena	7:00 PM

### Central

08/25	..... at Paradise Valley	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Ironwood	7:00 PM
09/07	..... at Dobson	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Mountain Pointe	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs North Canyon	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs South Mountain	7:00 PM
10/05	..... vs Trevor G. Browne	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Betty H. Fairfax	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs North	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Camelback	7:00 PM

### Cibola

08/25	..... at Dobson	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Imperial (CA)	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Brawley (CA)	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Gila Ridge	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Central (CA)	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Paradise Valley	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs West Point	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Westview	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs North Canyon	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Raymond S. Kellis	7:00 PM

### Cienega

08/25	..... at Desert Ridge	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Paradise Valley	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Tucson	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Walden Grove	7:00 PM
09/21	..... vs McClintock	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Casa Grande	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Sunnyside	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Buena	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Desert View	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Marana	7:00 PM



Desert Edge		
08/25	..... at Centennial .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Notre Dame Prep .....	7:00 PM
09/07	..... vs Camelback .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Higley .....	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Sunnyslope .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Millennium .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Sunrise Mountain .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Canyon View .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Cactus .....	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Verrado .....	7:00 PM

Desert Mountain		
08/25	..... at Verrado .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Sunrise Mountain .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Chaparral .....	7:00 PM
09/14	..... at Cactus .....	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Campo Verde .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Horizon .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Cactus Shadows .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs ALA-Gilbert North .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Higley .....	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Notre Dame Prep .....	7:00 PM

Desert View		
08/25	..... vs Willow Canyon .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs North .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Canyon Del Oro .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Nogales .....	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Walden Grove .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Casa Grande .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Buena .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Marana .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Cienega .....	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Sunnyside .....	7:00 PM

Dobson		
08/25	..... vs Cibola .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Camelback .....	7:00 PM
09/07	..... vs Central .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Mesa .....	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Westwood .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Campo Verde .....	7:00 PM
10/05	..... at Skyline .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Gilbert .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Sunnyslope .....	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at McClintock .....	7:00 PM

Flowing Wells		
08/25	..... at Agua Fria .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Sunnyside .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Amphitheater .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Sahuarita .....	7:00 PM
09/21	..... at Barry Goldwater .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Ironwood Ridge .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Mountain View (Marana) .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Tucson .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Nogales .....	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Maricopa .....	7:00 PM

Gilbert		
08/25	..... vs Mountain View (Marana) .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at ALA-Gilbert North .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Canyon View .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Mesquite .....	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Snowflake .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Sunnyslope .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs McClintock .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Dobson .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Skyline .....	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Campo Verde .....	7:00 PM

Higley		
08/25	..... vs Campo Verde .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Clayton Valley (CA) .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Marana .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Desert Edge .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Cactus Shadows .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs ALA-Gilbert North .....	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Notre Dame Prep .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Horizon .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Desert Mountain .....	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Williams Field .....	7:00 PM

Horizon		
08/25	..... vs Canyon View .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Mountain View (Marana) .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Willow Canyon .....	7:00 PM
09/14	..... vs Pinnacle .....	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Millennium .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Desert Mountain .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Notre Dame Prep .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Higley .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Cactus Shadows .....	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs ALA-Gilbert North .....	7:00 PM

Ironwood		
08/25	..... vs Trevor G. Browne .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Central .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at South Mountain .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Raymond S. Kellis .....	7:00 PM
09/21	..... at Verrado .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Agua Fria .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Barry Goldwater .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Desert Vista .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Willow Canyon .....	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Apollo .....	7:00 PM

Ironwood Ridge		
08/25	..... at Seton Catholic Prep .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Buena .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Empire .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Douglas .....	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Sahuarito .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Flowing Wells .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Tucson .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Nogales .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Maricopa .....	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Mountain View (Marana) .....	7:00 PM

Marana		
08/25	..... at Salpointe Catholic .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Tucson .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Higley .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Mountain View (Marana) .....	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Canyon Del Oro .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Buena .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Sunnyside .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Desert View .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Casa Grande .....	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Cienega .....	7:00 PM

Maricopa		
08/24	..... vs McClintock .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Trevor G. Browne .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Sahuarita .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Casa Grande .....	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Mesquite .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Nogales .....	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Tucson .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Mountain View (Marana) .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Ironwood Ridge .....	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Flowing Wells .....	7:00 PM

McClintock		
08/24	..... at Maricopa .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Marcos de Niza .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Trevor G. Browne .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs South Mountain .....	7:00 PM
09/21	..... at Cienega .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Skyline .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Gilbert .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Sunnyslope .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Campo Verde .....	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Dobson .....	7:00 PM

Millennium		
08/25	..... vs Westview .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Campo Verde .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Perry .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Willow Canyon .....	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Horizon .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Desert Edge .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Canyon View .....	7:00 PM
10/19	..... vs Verrado .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Sunrise Mountain .....	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Cactus .....	7:00 PM

Mountain View (Marana)		
08/25	..... at Gilbert .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Horizon .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Sunrise Mountain .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Marana .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Walden Grove .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Flowing Wells .....	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Nogales .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Maricopa .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Tucson .....	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Ironwood Ridge .....	7:00 PM

Nogales		
08/25	..... vs Pueblo .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Casa Grande .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Rio Rico .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Desert View .....	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Sunnyside .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Maricopa .....	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Mountain View (Marana) .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Ironwood Ridge .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Flowing Wells .....	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Tucson .....	7:00 PM

North		
08/25	..... vs ALA-Gilbert North .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Desert View .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs St. Mary's .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Westview .....	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Apollo .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Betty H. Fairfax .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Camelback .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Trevor G. Browne .....	7:00 PM
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# 4A CONFERENCE FOOTBALL PRESEASON RANKINGS



*Canyon del Oro returns a great deal of last year's starters that made it to the 4A semifinals. (Joe Jackson, Jr. photo/MaxPreps)*

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**1. CANYON DEL ORO:** The Dorados are one of the most experienced teams in the 4A Conference this season, despite losing a couple of linemen and the team's top receiver in Daylon Beck. Beck pulled in 868 yards receiving on 31 catches (28.0 YPC) with 13 touchdowns, but head coach Dustin Peace has plenty coming back from a team that lost to No. 2 Snowflake 16-13 in overtime in the semifinal round. Snowflake went on to lose to No. 1 ALA-Gilbert North in the state championship game, but Gilbert North is in the 5A Conference this year. Peace brings back senior QB Tristen McClelland (77-124, 1,502 yards; 18 TDs) to go along with a pair of Sr. running backs, Jose Alba (113-768; 6 TDs) and Kayden Luke (51-494; 9 TDs), and senior lineman Sa'Kylee Woodard (6-4, 290). The Dorados open with Eastmark, the 3A Conference champion from 2022, which moved up to 4A.

**2. YUMA CATHOLIC:** Head coach Rhett Stallworth is returning only seven starters from last year, but he's been here before. Sr. DE Jaxson Jones (6-3 225) is headed to Oregon, but he lost his son to graduation, QB Richard Stallworth, who threw for 3,924 yards last year and finished with a state best 12,590 career yards. Still, Stallworth is very confident. "We expect to compete to win it all just like every other year," he said. The Shamrocks won't be play at home until Week 4.

**3. LAKE HAVASU:** The Knights came up with an incredible run to end the season last year in the state playoffs as the No. 13 seed, knocking off No. 4 Poston Butte 42-24 in the opening round before taking out No. 5 Yuma Catholic 35-34 in the quarterfinals. The Knights lost to eventual state champion ALA-Gilbert North in the semifinal round and will be interesting to see if the team can put that run together earlier this year behind Sr. QB Tyler Thompson (107-186, 1,702 yards, 16 TDs). Longtime head coach Karl Thompson is returning 11 starters.

**4. ARIZONA COLLEGE PREP:** The Knights have slowly made the jump from the 2A Conference in the first year as a program in 2017 to the 3A level the following year to the 4A ranks last year all under head coach Myron Blueford. His 2019 squad finished 8-3 and he had a winning the season during the COVID year that followed. The Knights made 4A the state playoffs in the first year at that level and more growth is expected this year. "I was telling my parents, this is the second time in our history that we've been in the same conference and no dramatic changes," Blueford said. "We were one of two teams to be ranked number one last year, we just didn't have the guys to kind of support that down the stretch, and we have a lot of returners this year." Blueford points to senior defensive standout Cayden Gibson (75 tackles and 18.5 sacks) and Jr. QB Jaxon Castro (188-298: 2,156, 20 TDs as the foundation for what should be a great season.



**5. NORTHWEST CHRISTIAN:** The Crusaders won the West Valley Region last year but fell to Bradshaw Mountain in the first round of the playoffs as a No. 9 seed. Head coach David Inness returns 17 starters from last year, including three-year starters Sr. OL/DL Walker Wisely, Sr. OLB/REC Marshall Gillette, Sr. RB/LB Ben Lueders, Sr. WR/DB Kyler Thruston and Sr. WR/DB Gunnar Penzkover. Hawaii QB transfer Evan Tarasenko solidified Northwest Christian as a contender.

**6. SNOWFLAKE:** Head coach Kay Solomon will reach 100 games coached on opening day at 4A contender Bradshaw Mountain and follows that up with a trip to play at 5A runner-up Cactus before returning home to host 3A semifinalist Show Low. Things won't get much easier from there, as the Lobos will be tested. "We have a tough schedule paired with a lot of youth and inexperience to start the season. The key to our success will be to build depth and use the early non-region games to help us prepare for region competition and the playoffs," Solomon said.

**7. WALDEN GROVE:** The Red Wolves went 8-2 last year, but the program missed out on a playoff spot by a very small margin in the power ranking system. Head coach Corey Noble and his team can make an early statement at Northwest Christian before playing at home against Arcadia, Cienega and Desert View. The season also ends on a difficult note with games at Catalina Foothills, Mica Mountain and Canyon del Oro. This year, the strength of schedule should be more than enough to vault the Red Wolves into the top 10 heading into the state playoffs.

**8. MICA MOUNTAIN:** The Thunderbolts ended the season last year on a five-game win streak that included a huge victory over Canyon del Oro to give the team the Kino Region championship. Unfortunately, opening 1-4 affected its power ranking status, ending at No. 19. Head coach Pat Nugent returns 19 starters from last year, including Jr. QB Jayden Thoreson, who started since his freshman year and won offensive player of the year his sophomore year. "We won the region in 2022. With most of the team returning, we expect to make playoffs," Nugent said.

**9. POSTON BUTTE:** Head coach Dain Thompson has a mixture of a couple of dozen players returning in various starting roles. The Broncos finished with a No. 4 ranking last year, but a disappointing 42-24 loss at home to No. 13 Lake Havasu in the first round capped a three-game skid to end the season. Thompson is hinting at going for 2-point conversions after scores this year, which could change the landscape if he follows through with success. He touts a starting defense, with Sr. SS Ja'khi Robertson, Jr. MLB Alex Miranda, Sr. FS Terraude Kisto 5-11, 153 and Sr. LB Michael Whitman, leading the way.

**10. MARCOS DE NIZA:** The Padres finished 9-2 last year with a No. 3 seeding, but a first-round loss to No. 14 Thunderbird ended any kind of run. The Padres host Yuma Catholic in Week 1, and that can set the tone for the rest of the regular season. Head coach Anthony Figueroa has a three-year starter, Sr. QB Braesen Leon (6-1, 185), running his offense.



Northwest Christian has made a steady climb up the 4A charts and has an experienced team looking for more. (Mark Jones photo/MaxPreps)



# 4A CONFERENCE FOOTBALL TEAM-BY-TEAM PREVIEW



Returning 4A sack leader Cayden Gibson (No. 42) and AZ College Prep hope to wrap up a high seed come the postseason. (Michael Cazares photo/MaxPreps)

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## DESERT SKY REGION

### AZ College Prep

**Head coach:** Myron Blueford.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 7th year/26-31.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. DE Cayden Gibson, 6-2, 215; Sr. WR Jake Busot, 6-1, 175; Jr. QB Jaxon Castro, 6-1, 200; Sr. OL Karambir Singh, 6-2, 255; Sr. DB TD Vanderah, 6-1, 175.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Which leaders will emerge after losing all of our senior leaders?

**Team expectations:** We are a lot deeper than last year so we should be able to win in the battle of attrition. Want to take the next step after our inaugural season in 4A. We are going to compete.

**Beyond the numbers:** Cayden Gibson. He is the total package - production, grades, hard worker, leader and he will never take credit for it. His brother plays for Johns Hopkins and he has always had to live in the shadow. He is now making a name for himself.

### Combs

**Head coach:** Levi Hoaglund.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2nd year/6-4.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 2.

**Key returning players:** Sr. ATH Chase Theabold, 6-3, 195; Sr. OL/DL Alex Araujo, 6-0, 295; Sr. WR/DB Landon Merkley, 6-1, 195; Sr. WR/DB Juju Carrasco, 5-7, 150.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Quarterback, running back and special teams.

**Team expectations:** We expect to be competitive in every game we play in and make the playoffs.

### Desert Sunrise

**Head coach:** Jonathan Clark.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Jr. LB Zamari McCoy-Denton 6-1, 190; Jr. C Daniel Corona 5-10, 300; Jr. OLB Aiden Hayzlett 5-10, 170; Jr. CB Cameron Arnold 5-9, 160.

**Team's biggest question marks:** First varsity season ever and quarterback play.

**Team expectations:** We want to compete week in and week out. Our goal is to win the first game only right now and then we will take them one week at a time. With a first time varsity squad the speed of the game will hinder us. Going to have to have a fast learning curve.

**Beyond the numbers:** Nick Droste is undersized at LB but overcomes size with sheer determination and work ethic. Will be a two-way player for us and one of our best all-around athletes with a 3.0 GPA. He will be a next level kid despite his size.

### Mesquite

**Head coach:** Vance Miller.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2nd year/1-9.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 9.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 10.



**Key returning players:** Sr. DE/TE Jamar Trotter, 6-3, 220; Sr. OLB/WR JD Cea, 6-3, 205; Sr. QB PJ Jones, 6-1, 180; Sr. DE/TE Jiah McClure, 6-3, 200; Sr. RB/LB Eric Rodriguez, 6-0, 185.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Can the O-Line improve on last season? Will the off-season work pay off? How will the younger guys step up on a senior-heavy team?

**Team expectations:** Stay healthy and make a deep run.

**Beyond the numbers:** Jamar Trotter, Sr. DE. Three year varsity starter and multi-sport athlete. Mike Brown, offensive coordinator. He was my first OC as a head coach 10 years ago. We have come back together to do it again!

### Vista Grande

**Head coach:** Jon Roberts.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3rd year/2-8.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 11.

**Key returning players:** Sr. WR/DB Darius Brown 6-0, 190; Sr. DE/TE Angel Chaydez 6-2, 225; Jr. DE/TE Athiuan Arol 6-3, 230; Jr. RB/DB Fernando Loyal 5-9, 180; Sr. QB/WR Darnell Castro 5'10, 165.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Can we become consistent on offense, will the depth at defense perform to its capabilities and get better on special teams?

**Team expectations:** Our expectations are to have another winning season and to make playoffs for the first time since 2015.

**Beyond the numbers:** Athiuan Arol- DE/TE, who has started varsity the last two seasons. Made second team all-region as a freshman, made unanimous first team all-region as a sophomore along with honorable mention All-State 4A. Darius Brown DB/WR made all-region last year in two positions after only playing in six games because he was a transfer student. Coming into his senior year we are expecting big things.

*Region notes: Former NFL player and coach Ray Brown is starting his fourth year at Arcadia, taking the team from 1-7 to 6-4 last year.*

## WEST VALLEY REGION

### Buckeye Union

**Head coach:** Puni Ellis.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3rd year/7-4

**Potential milestone:** Puni Ellis has 20 years with the program.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** Sr. ATH Darius Haskin, 6-0, 180; Sr. QB Ricardo Juarez, 6-1, 180; Sr. OL Cassiah Kaluna, 6-2, 275; Sr. DB Ted Scow, 5-9, 150; Sr. DE/TE Coen Scott, 6-1, 255.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Replacing 4A Conference regular season rushing leader RB Viliami Tongotea. Staying healthy as a team. Who will be QB 1? Two seniors battle for the QB1 spot in Ricardo Juarez and Zachary Bennett.

**Team expectations:** To be consistent and healthy throughout the season. To finish off what we could not do last season.

**Beyond the numbers:** Darius Haskin - He is our First Team All-Region receiver who is flying off the radar right now with interests from a lot of colleges. He has strong hands, floats when he runs, and is as explosive as any receiver you will see.

### Lake Havasu

**Head coach:** Karl Thompson.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 15th year/87-61.

**Potential milestone:** 25th year at the school.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Tyler Thompson 6-5, 185; Jr. RB/LB Gavin Briggs 5-7, 190; Jr. TE/LB Brock Cross 6-2, 195; Jr. TE/LB Wyatt Tribolet 6-1, 190; Sr. OL/DL Robby Schaper 6-1, 240.

**Team's biggest question mark:** Depth and restructuring the offensive line.

**Team expectations:** To compete at our best ability all the time.



Lake Havasu QB Tyler Thompson (Mark Jones photo/MaxPreps)

### Northwest Christian

**Head coach:** David Inness.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 14th year/126-35.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 9.

**Key returning players:** Sr. OL/DL Walker Wisely OL/DL 6-2, 240; Sr. OLB/REC Marshall Gillette 6-2, 210; Sr. RB/LB Ben Lueders 5-10, 185; Sr. WR/DB Kyler Thruston 5-9, 170; Sr. WR/DB Gunnar Penzkover 5-10, 170.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Depth on offensive line to get through the tough schedule? Who will win the QB battle? Who will be the next guy to step up, always a kid that comes out of nowhere?

**Team expectations:** Play as long as we can.

**Beyond the numbers:** Walker Wisley lost his dad a little over a year ago and he's grown so much as a man to get through this.



### **St. Mary's**

**Head coach:** Jose Lucero.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4th year/21-11.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Jr. RB/LB Bobby Lewis, 6-0, 200; Sr. TE/DL Paolo Gonzales, 6-1, 200; Sr. OL/DL Ben Cosner, 5-11, 200; Sr. OL/DL Preston Blotsky, 5-11, 220; Sr. OL/LB Emric Kerekes, 5-10, 215.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Replacing a 2-year starter at Quarterback, replacing our entire secondary and filling the holes on our offensive line.

**Team expectations:** We will be a young group but we will have some key seniors coming back who have played a lot of football. We expect to play hard every week.

### **Thunderbird**

**Head coach:** Matt Nalette.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 5th year/21-19.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 3.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** Sr. ILB/ FB Travis Woods, 5-11, 205; Sr. SS/ RB Tyler Woods, 5-10, 185; Jr. DE/WR Ryan Kavalami, 6-2, 220; Sr. CB Brian Costa, 5-10, 165; Jr. CB/RB/KR Elijah Little, 5-8, 170; Sr. OL/DL Micah Fonsica, 6-4, 315; Jr. DE/OG Talon Flores, 6-2, 240; Sr. TE Will Clark, 6-4, 215.

**Team's biggest question marks:** New Quarterback – Jr. Andrew Cohill, 6-0, 170 (has started 18 games on freshman & JV levels and has a 15-3 record in those games). New Region - West Valley Region (all playoff teams from 2022). Reloading on offense (we graduated most of our offense).

**Team expectations:** Region Championship, make it to the playoffs for second year in a row, win a playoff game for second year in a row. Our strength right now is our defense. We return eight starters and several key contributors on defense. We expect to be one of the top defenses in 4A.

**Beyond the numbers:** Jr. DE/WR Ryan Kavalami (6-2, 220) is an excellent scholar athlete (All AP Classes, Student Council) with DI potential.

### **Yuma Catholic**

**Head coach:** Rhett Stallworth.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 15th year/52-28.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** Sr. DE Jaxson Jones, 6-3 225; Jr. WR/DB Darryl Coleman, 6-0 170; Jr. LB Rocky Stallworth, 6-0 180; Jr. WR/DB Sir Stokes, 6-2 180; Sr. OL Trenton Bloomquist, 6-3 210.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Quarterback is new and untested, defensive line and secondary.

**Team expectations:** We expect to compete to win it all just like every other year.

**Beyond the numbers:** Jaxson Jones is committed to Oregon. Rocky Stallworth is the coach's son.

**Team's biggest question mark:** Solidifying our defensive back group.

**Team expectations:** To put up a solid winning record and take a shot at the region title.

### **Independence**

**Head coach:** KJ Anthony.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3rd /6-13.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. LB Jimmie Canidate 6-2, 190; Jr. DE Jerry Washington 6-2, 215; Jr. LB Michael Palmer 5-11, 190; Sr. OL Isiah Gabaldon 6-0, 270; Jr. OL Matthew Palencia 5-10, 205.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Replacing two graduating offensive linemen and defensive linemen and replacing graduating quarterback.

**Team expectations:** Continued growth of program. We competed in all games last year and were close to a region championship. We expect improvements this year versus a tough schedule.

### **Seton Catholic Prep**

**Head coach:** Pete Wahlheim.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 12th year/69-53.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Jr. WR Luc Aguilar, 5-10, 180; Sr. DE James Williams, 6-1, 210; Sr. RB Ryan Creech, 5-10, 180; Jr. QB Chase Dickson, 5-10, 165; Jr. DE Michael Probst, 6-3, 210.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Our offense, as we have revamped this side of the ball. Our new league as all these schools are new to us for the 2023 season

**Team expectations:** We have quite a few returning players on both sides of the ball so we believe the potential is there for a playoff berth.

### **Sierra Linda**

**Head coach:** Ty Preyer.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2nd year/4-6.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 10.

**Key returning players:** Sr. DL Lenoxx Hicks, 6-0 240; Sr. WR Jackson Baird, 5-7 140; Sr. ATH Kendre Pride, 6-2 180; Jr. LB Akhir Harris, 5-10 185; So. QB Camar Lee, 6-0 165.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Can we take the next step to becoming a playoff team? Who will step up as a leader? After having a young team last year, can we put it all together?

**Team expectations:** Region champs, first playoff berth in school history.

**Beyond the numbers:** Camar Lee. After becoming the starting QB as a freshman he is working to help bring our team to the next level. Lenoxx Hicks is a great athlete who has been loyal to program through covid shut down and coaching changes, he is now reaping the benefits of his hard work to getting college offers.

## **SOUTHWEST REGION**

### **Gila Ridge**

**Head coach:** Jessica Slaughter.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3rd year/5-15.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Jr. QB Steven Navas, 6-2, 160; Sr. LB Rixon Saragosa, 5-10, 190; Sr. RB Rishon Keele, 5-9, 200; Sr. WR/DB Jacob Arcides, 5-9, 150; Sr. OT Koeby Caldwell, 5-11, 200.

*Region notes: La Joya Community is in its first year down from the 5A Conference.*



## EAST SKY REGION

### Apache Junction

**Head coach:** Bruce Binky.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4th year/17-7.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 3.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. WR Ben Valenzuela, 5-10, 150; Sr. WR Dennis Church, 6-4, 160; Sr. LB Mason Roets, 5-11, 210; Jr. QB Aiden Deleon.

**Team's biggest question marks:** New starting QB and defense.

### Eastmark

**Head coach:** Travis Dixon.

**Years as school's coach:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. DL Ramar Williams 6-3, 260; Sr. WR Jaxon Bailey 6-2, 180; Sr. RB Coleman Samples 5-10 190; Sr. DB/WR Collin Minnaar 5-11, 170.

**Team expectations:** Our expectations for the 2023 season is to make sure we are focused and getting better within each position group for us to play winning football. Stay focused on the process to ensure we are getting the outcome that we want as well as be the best team we can be.

### Marcos de Niza

**Head coach:** Anthony Figueroa.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4th year/17-12.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Braesen Leon, 6-1, 185; Sr. RB Lorenzo Alexander, 6-0, 185; Sr. RB Jamari Johnson, 6-0, 180; Sr. DB DJ Drew, 5-10, 180; Sr. LB Michael Turner, 6-3, 200.

**Team's biggest question mark:** Depth.

**Team expectations:** Represent our community. Play together. Play for each other. Win a Region championship. Make the playoffs.

**Beyond the numbers:** Braesen Leon (QB)- 3-year starter, FBS/FCS college football prospect, fully invested into the program and in our community.

### Poston Butte

**Head coach:** Dain Thompson.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 7th year/38-25.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 15.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 9.

**Key returning players:** Sr. SS Ja'khi Robertson, 5-10, 160; Jr. MLB Alex Miranda, 5-9, 187; Jr. QB Mason Lloyd, 6-0, 153; Sr. FS Terraude Kisto 5-11, 153; Sr. LB Michael Whitman, 6-0, 185.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Will one player become the "bell-cow" RB this year or will it be by a committee of five really good backs that all start on defense? How fast and explosive will our defense be able to play? Will the coaching staff trust a young kicker, or will the 2-point conversion be the norm?

**Team expectations:** This team will go into each week with the expectation to prepare, practice and win.

**Beyond the numbers:** Alex Miranda, Jr. MLB. He was forced into a position change last year and played the season as our starting OC. Undersized and out of position, he performed at an All-Region level. This season he will be allowed to play his real position at MLB. Underclassman who has taken on a leadership role. He is the younger brother of a former Bronco player who was one of the toughest players I have ever coached, who is now serving our country in the Navy. Younger brother, Alex is living up to the

expectations set by older brother Oscar. Local boys, parents live in the community, no transfers loves playing with his friends that he has grown up with!

### Snowflake

**Head coach:** Kay Solomon.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 9th year/80-19.

**Potential milestone(s):** 100th game coached on opening day.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB Jett McCray 5-10, 195; Sr. QB Brennan Bryant 6-0, 180; Sr. OL/DL McCrea Hunt 5-11, 240; Jr. OL Ethan Christensen 6-0, 230; Jr. OL Cody Flake 6-5, 260.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Who will step in to fill the open positions due to graduation? Will we have enough depth to keep players fresh during games and healthy through a tough regular season schedule? Longtime defensive coordinator Art Hargrove has retired. Can we fill that void and continue to defend teams effectively?

**Team expectations:** We have a tough schedule paired with a lot of youth and inexperience to start the season. The key to our success will be to build depth and use the early non-region games to help us prepare for Region competition and the playoffs. As always, our expectations are for everyone involved with our program to step up and seize the opportunities we are given.

**Beyond the numbers:** Coach Trevor Reddick - longtime assistant coach, our OC, the motor that makes our program successful. Sr. RB Jett McCray - 3rd year as a starter in our program who will be key to our success. Sr. QB Brennan Bryant - Took over QB duties midway through the season last year and has worked very hard to become an elite QB. Linemen - success or failure is 100% contingent on what happens in the trenches. Our culture includes trying to help everyone understand that and recognize the contributions of the big guys that don't get much love from the PA announcer or on the stat sheets.

*Region notes: Eastmark won the 3A Conference championship last year.*



*Snowflake RB Jett McCray (Jack Beasley photo/MaxPreps)*



## Carl Hayden

**Head coach:** J.H. Nunez.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. OT Lee Renteria, 6-3 245; Sr. LB Jonathan Dagnino 6-0 200; Jr. C Gervin Marroquin, 6-0 220; Jr. QB Jonathan Montes, 5-10 175; Jr. FB Yashua Carrillo, 5-9 190.

**Team's biggest question marks:** New staff, new systems and new verbiage.

**Team expectations:** To be a state leader in high school football, Falcon football is committed to excellence. High expectations will define who we are on and off the field. While perfection is nearly impossible to achieve, excellence is the constant pursuit, or the striving of perfection every. Single. Day. We do not rebuild. Once the foundation is firmly in place we reload. Excellence is most often exceeded through positive traditions. On a more finite level, I want it to be known that my focus is not so much on winning, as it is on the development of winners. If a coach builds a program that is constructed of a group of winners who have complete confidence in: themselves, the coaching staff, as well as full comprehension of the expectations - the "winning" will follow suit.

**Beyond the numbers:** **Head coach:** Jay Nunez, humble beginnings. Offensive line coach Diego Rodriguez and what it means to coach at his alma mater and what the turnaround has meant to him. Sr. Lee Renteria, journey in the program and his end goals. Jr. Jonathan Montes and Jr. Gervin Marroquin. What it means to be Efficient and Effective in our new direction.

## Glendale

**Head coach:** Rob York.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 8th year/49-22.

**Potential milestone:** Can reach 50 wins at Glendale.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Zech Owens, 6-3, 180; Sr. OT Malachai Faletoi-Baker, 6-4, 250; Sr. DB Greg Miller, 5-9, 165; Sr. LB Eleazar Holguin, 5-10, 195; Sr. DB/LB Victor Padilla, 5-8, 145.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Depth, inexperienced offensive line and inexperienced defensive line.

**Team expectations:** Finish in the season with a winning record. Maybe make a run at the region.

## Peoria

**Head coach:** Jason Golden.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2nd year/3-7.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 4.

**Key returning players:** Sr. DE, Gabriel Rodriguez, 6-2, 205; Sr. WR/RB, Sebastian Carrillo, 5-9, 175; Sr. OLB, Jacob Samarripas, 5-11, 170; Sr. OT/DT, Jose Cisneros, 6-2, 245; So. QB, Dominic Kramer 5-11, 175.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Developing a young offensive line and getting them to play together. Cutting down on turnovers and getting more take aways on defense.

**Team expectations:** Play hard each week.

**Beyond the numbers:**

## Youngker



*Peoria DE/TE Gabriel Rodriguez (Darin Sicurello photo/MaxPreps)*

**Head coach:** Joshua Sekoch.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3rd year/6-5.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 2.

**Key returning players:** Jr. OL Hayden Williams, 6-6, 290; Jr. OL Bernardo Alvear, 6-2, 250; Sr. WR Julius Barber, 6-3, 170; Sr. WR Jesus Ordonez, 5-9 160; Sr. DE Darius Wiley, 6-2, 240.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Entire secondary will be new/changed from 2022, lots of competition for playing time. Return four starting offensive linemen, who will be the fifth? Which of our talented sophomore to be class is going to step up and make the biggest impact?

**Team expectations:** Our expectations are first, our junior and sophomore classes step into impact roles on offense and defense after demonstrating in winter their commitment. Second, we won't allow negativity to overtake the positive culture we are trying to nurture. Third, win today, the past doesn't dictate future, it's time for a new era at Youngker.

**Beyond the numbers:** Hayden Williams, his diverse background, being born and raised on reservation, playing basketball at 6-6, 290 because he loves it, but transforming himself into a D-I football player. He is very quiet, but well-spoken when he talks, I think he would like to share his story and background for others to learn.

*Region notes: Greenway Jr. QB Tyler McNally threw for 1,422 yards last year... Moon Valley went 7-3 last year, which was its best record since 2014-2015.*

## COPPER SKY REGION

### Alhambra

**Head coach:** Charles Rivera.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3rd year/2-18.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.



**Key returning players:** Jr. QB/DE Jah Alopovi, 6-2, 215; Sr. OL Jose Cardenas 6-0, 290; Sr. DL Jeremy Chaplin 6-1, 280; Jr. OL Brandon Lydick 6-0, 305; Jr. RB Isaiah Rwanyamugabo 5-8 160.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Getting the culture shifted, learning a new system, fielding three levels in our program.

**Team expectations:** To be competitive, increase the numbers in our program, and to be able to field a freshman, JV, and varsity team.

**Beyond the numbers:** Sr. OL Jose Cardenas, he has been with our program since his sophomore year, had never played organized sports, tragically lost his father. Has found purpose and motivation in being a part of something, our football program. Has used this to fuel his training, to be a good teammate, and to lead with purpose. His family has explicitly expressed the positive change they have seen in him since joining our program.

### Copper Canyon

**Head coach:** Chad Talley.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3rd year/3-16.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Jr. QB/WR Nolan Huizar, 5-7, 125; Sr. OL Uvaldo Vaca Garcia, 6-2, 250; OL John Alexander Lopez, 6-6, 270; Jr. RB Damian Quinonez, 5-10, 145; Sr. WR Sean Dinkins, 6-0, 175.

**Team expectations:** To win a Region championship.

### Deer Valley

**Head coach:** Dan Friedman.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 7th year/6-18.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Dylan English; Sr. SS Jacob Kreuziger; Sr. C Teddy Johnson; Sr. LB Curtis Johnson; Sr. OL/DL Junior Reyes.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Can we stay healthy?

**Team expectations:** Win games.

### Estrella Foothills

**Head coach:** Mike Spencer.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 2.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB/LB Simone Koroush, 6-0 210; Sr. DE Jaxon Richardson, 6-0,185; Sr. FS Caden Gable, 5-9 170; Sr. TE Alan Becker, 6-2,190; Sr. LB Elijah Alvarado, 6-0 180.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Having to learn a new offense and defense and offensive and defensive lines have size but are raw and untested.

**Beyond the numbers:** Coach Mike Spencer comes over from a successful tenure at 2A Trivium Prep where he built the program and won four region championships in five years. Can he do the same at the 4A level? He will rely on several juniors such as, Jr. QB Hone Wray, Jr. WR Noah Romo, Jr. RB Grant Wochner, Jr. DB Danny Ostrander and Jr. WR PJ Bailey to help carry the load.

*Region notes: The Maryvale Panthers broke a 28-game losing streak last year... Washington broke a 10-game losing streak last year.*

## GILA REGION

### Amphitheater

**Head coach:** Jorge Mendivil.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 10th year/34-50.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Jr. FB/MLB Jacob Espinoza, 6-2 225; Sr. OL/DL Marco Martinez, 6-3 310; Sr. OL/DL Fausto Sinohui 5-11 220; Sr. OL/DL Jaime Charles 6-2 295; So. QB, Imanol Silva, 6-0 165.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Young guys stepping up and contributing and depth.

**Team expectations:** To have an outstanding season, win the region and make the playoffs.

### Douglas

**Head coach:** Hunter Long.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 5th year/9-20.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. ATH Emiliano Berthely, 5-10 160; Jr. RB/LB Jason Hurtado, 5-7170; Sr. WR/K Lucas Castillo, 5-9 165; Sr. DE/TE Isaac Higuera, 6-2 240; So. OL/DL Michael Pearson, 6-1 245.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Young and inexperienced team last year, will be interesting to see how they mature this year. Depth at the QB position, senior Aiden Rodriguez is gone so sophomore Ivan Higuera will be taking over the offense.

**Team expectations:** Expectations are extremely high with a lot of key returners coming back this year. Emiliano Berthely has to be one of the most under the radar and overlooked prospects coming into this season and is set up to have another big year. Sophomore QB, Ivan Higuera, will have weapons all over the field and is extremely athletic with legs that can hurt some people and should begin to make a name for himself this upcoming season. As long as this team can stay healthy and on the field with the speed and athleticism that there will be, this program should be able to take a big step forward.

**Beyond the numbers:** Emiliano Berthely (extremely athletic and talented, humble kid that is being overlooked by everybody and most likely simply because of the program that he's at) Jason and Justin Hurtado - a pair of very athletic brothers that have football running through their veins with their Dad also serving as an assistant coach

### Rincon/University

**Head coach:** Khyree Copeland.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 6th year/12-18.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB Jack Nemeth, 5-9 170; Sr. RB Aundre King, 5-11 191; Sr. WR / DB Mateo Montano, 6-1 195; Sr. DL Habib Mountran, 6-2 220; Sr. DB Edward Amador, 5-11 176.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Offensive line and consistency.

**Team expectations:** To be competitive in every game we play and make teams beat us.



## Rio Rico

**Head coach:** Jeff Scurran.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2nd year/ 4-6.

**Potential milestone:** 50th year coaching.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB-LB Hiram Lopez, 5-11 210; Sr. C Gael Gonzales, 6-0 220; Jr. R-DB Pedro Castillo, 5-9 170; Sr. OL-DE Max Plencencia, 6-3 225; Sr. RB Uriel Rivas, 6-0 145.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Development of our big men in the trenches. Correcting so many injuries from last season. Defensive secondary development.

**Team expectations:** Improve.

**Beyond the numbers:** Jr. QB Damian Padilla is a professional rodeo rider.

## Sahuarita

**Head coach:** Jake Price.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3rd year/1-18.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. DB/WR Santiago Caudillo; Sr. DL/OL Malcom Williams; Sr. DL/OL Keymon Hollis; Sr. LB/RB Hayden Niedt; So. LB/RB William Thwaits.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Can we consistently run the ball? Can we consistently stop the run? Can we win the turnover ratio?

**Team expectations:** To develop kids into great husbands and fathers.

**Beyond the numbers:** Coach Burton Tingle is entering his 52nd Year as a Mustang coach.

*Region notes: Cholla moved down from the 5A Conference... Empire head coach George Kelly is in his fifth year.*

## KINO REGION

### Canyon Del Oro

**Head coach:** Dustin Peace.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 17th year/105-50.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Sr. OL/DL Sa'Kylee Woodard, 6-4, 290; Sr. S/WR, Chase Laux, 5-9, 170; Sr. TE/OLB, Ryan Madsen, 6-3, 215; Sr. OLB/RB, Vijay King, 5-9, 190; Sr. QB, Tristen McClelland, 6-2, 190.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Replace two offensive line spots and replace top receiver.

**Team expectations:** We lost an overtime semifinal game last year and plan to be right back where we left off, contending for a state title.

**Beyond the numbers:** Jody Bayse who has been an assistant in our program for about 15 years suffered a traumatic induced stroke last year during spring ball when a player collided with him. He was back coaching on the field last season and has made a remarkable recovery.



Mica Mountain WR/DB Xavier Johnson (Joe Jackson, Jr. photo/MaxPreps)

## Mica Mountain

**Head coach:** Pat Nugent.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4th year/9-7.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 11.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** Sr. LB/RB Kason Colbert, 6-1, 230; Sr. S/WR Devin Hayward, 5-10, 185; Sr. CB/WR Xavier Johnson, 5-10, 180; Sr. WR Jonah Garcia, 5-8, 165; Sr. OL KJ Ellsworth, 6-1, 275.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Depth, linebacker play and offensive line play.

**Team expectations:** Won the Region in 2022 and with most of the team returning we expect to make playoffs.

**Beyond the numbers:** Junior QB Jayden Thoreson has started since his freshmen year and won Offensive Player of the Year his sophomore year.

## Pueblo

**Head coach:** Jake Allen.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4th year/9-11.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Sr. WR/DB Maximilliano Espinoza 5-10, 150; Sr. WR/DB Azaizol Espinoza 5-10, 150; Sr. OL/DL Jeremiah Parrish 5-9, 255; Sr. RB/LB Dylan Carrillo 5-10, 175.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Can we replace offensive weapons from last season? Can a talented sophomore class make the jump to varsity this season?

**Team expectations:** Expectations are a winning record and putting ourselves in position for the playoffs.



## **Sahuaro**

**Head coach:** Al Alexander.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2nd year/5-5.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. DE Kingston Grigsby 6-4, 235; Sr. QB Vincenzo Orlando 6-1, 215; Sr. OL Andrew Goerke 5-9, 250; Sr. ATH Jaylen Grigsby 5-9, 175; Sr. RB/LB Jailen Clark 5-10, 180.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Defense, team speed and really young.

**Team expectations:** Make the playoffs and compete at a high level.

**Beyond the numbers:** Offensive coordinator Dennis Bene is a legend and Jailen Clark transferring here to play with his uncle, head coach Al Alexander.

*Region notes: Last year Catalina Foothills Sr. QB Austin Bourn threw for 1,116 yards and Sr. RB Samuel Delgado rushed for 1,149 yards... Walden Grove went 8-2 and won the Gila Region last year but just missed the postseason.*

## **GRAND CANYON REGION**

### **Bradshaw Mountain**

**Head coach:** Bob Young.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4th year/18-12.

**Potential milestone:** 196 wins in 27 years, four from 200.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** Sr. TE/LB James Giggey, 6-4 250; Sr. RB/DL. Gabriel Ricketts, 6-0 210; Sr. RB/LB Jordan Kelley, 5-10 190; Sr. QB/DB Kaden Martinez, 6-2 190; Sr. WR/DB. Alec Crain, 6-2 175.

**Team's biggest question marks:** We have to find a new QB and depth on both lines.

**Team expectations:** Contend for region and state championships

**Beyond the numbers:** James Giggey- he's our D-I prospect. Ron Fuson- been coaching longer than me!

### **Flagstaff**

**Head coach:** Mickey Clements.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 2.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** So. QB Chase Brown, 6-3 168; Sr. DE Nano Birdno, 6-5 210; Jr. RB Jadon Wetzell, 5-11 195; Sr. DT/OL Orion Yoyhoeoma, 5-9 190; Sr. Athlete Niko Ibarra-Padilla 5-8 180.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Nineteen new starters on offense. Can we generate momentum and get a good start to this new season? We are coming off a 2-8 season and we've lost 14 of our last 16 games. Five new starters on the offensive line. Can we establish the run-game and protect our talented sophomore QB?

**Team expectations:** We expect to play in a way where we can make a strong representation of the 100 year legacy of Flagstaff football tradition. We expect to "right the ship" and build a winning culture with a great group of young talented student athletes.

**Beyond the numbers:** Nano Birdno - He had a very good season last year on defense, but he was dealing with some injuries. He worked very hard in the offseason and looks to have a breakout season as a senior. He is a very good rugby player and has a 3.9 GPA. Chase Brown. Started seven games last year. Had an excellent game vs. Rio Rico where he was recognized as an Ed Doherty Award nominee for his performance. He ranks high on recruiting lists for QBs in the 2026 Class. (#31 Pro style QB in the nation, class of 2026).

### **Lee Williams**

**Head coach:** Stevann Brown.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3rd year/16-4.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 9.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 9.

**Key returning players:** Sr. WR/FS Devin White, 6-1 195; Sr. RB Kruz Yocum, 6-1 215; Jr. WR/SS Thomas Doxtader, 5-10 180; Sr. LT/DT Nick Kennedy, 6-4 230; Sr. QB Noah Petrauschke, 6-1 195.

**Team expectations:** In the mix to win the Grand Canyon Region.

### **Mingus Union**

**Head coach:** Dave Moncibaez.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3rd year/7-20.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Sr. OL/DL/LB Isaiah Lathon, 6-2 245; Sr. OL/DL Nik Choate, 6-3 300; Sr. QB/FS Mario Camacho, 6-2 180; Sr. RB Mikey Grijalva, 6-2 185; Sr. OL Max Leckington.

**Team's biggest question marks:** The level of competition and new skills we will be exposed to. Finding a way for our existing players and new players finding their flow and harmony on the field together this season. Is the community excited to bring back the foundations and culture of Mingus Football? Because we are!

**Team expectations:** The expectation is to play great hard nose football and represent our Grand Canyon Region, four quarters, 48 minutes every game.

### **Prescott**

**Head coach:** Cody Collett.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 10th year/62-32.

**Potential milestone:** Six games away from 100 games coached.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 1.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Jaxon Rice, 5-8, 160; Jr. QB/Slot Uriah Tenette, 5-11, 165; Sr. OL/DL Macrae Kasun, 6-0, 200; Sr. TE Isaac Muffley, 6-2, 225; Sr. LB/RB Wyatt Rewerts, 5-9, 175.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Very little experience graduating 24 seniors. Returning one starter on defense.

**Team expectations:** We have a young team but have had 11 straight winning seasons and five consecutive trips to the playoffs including back-to-back trips to the 4A quarterfinals. We expect to compete and become the best team we are capable of becoming.

*Region notes: Gary Cook is in his first year with Coconino.*



**WOODARD IS NO PUSHOVER,  
NO MATTER WHERE HE LINES UP**



**You are listed as a 6-foot-4 inch lineman. Do you prefer the offensive line or the defensive line, and what position(s) on that line and why?**

I really do not have a preference when it comes to the trench mob. A lot of people tend to ask me this question, and I never could give them an answer because I love playing both. Over at Canyon del Oro, I am utilized on both sides of the ball. I play (left tackle) and (nose tackle) or 3-(technique) on the defensive line.

**Football is your major sport, but you've competed in several other sports as a youth and in high school. Can you tell us about all the sports you've tried and how has each sport helped you grow as an athlete and as a person?**

I think being competitive in multiple sports is a great trait to have overall. I think I've learned and got through adversity with all sports, but most importantly I had fun and I was taught to work hard in all of the sports. If I had to choose one beside football, I'd probably choose track and field. I really enjoy throwing shot put. I think it displays how much power you can transfer from Point A to Point B.

**Tell us a bit about the offers you've received so far and what are your goals as far as the next level goes and what do you want to study?**

The offers I currently have are from the University of Arizona, which I got my freshmen year, and the United States Military Academy West Point, which I got March 21 of this year. I think just having the opportunity to have scholarships is really cool. Coaches from these prestigious universities believe that I have what it takes to be successful at the next level. I want to study psychology. I'm very infatuated with how the mind works. I also want to have involvement with mental health because I think mental health is one of the most valuable/powerful things on the planet, and I aspire to help people.

**What camps have you attended? We noticed you were the defensive lineman MVP at a University of Arizona camp. Can you expand on that?**

This year I've went to the NXTgen Camp, US Army All-American Combine, Arizona State Mega Camp, Arizona Elite Prospect Camp, NAU Mega Camp, and Nike Contact Camp. I think just having the opportunity to go out and compete with guys that have the same aspiring goals as me is really cool because it's high level competition. I was very fortunate enough to have earned the MVP, which I think is really cool because coaches at the next level think my work ethic is good as well as my skill. I think also being from Tucson, and competing to represent my home town, was really cool and then honoring my hard work.

**You are a senior now, but the Dorados are still seen as young and hungry, and one of the better teams in 4A. Is there something about the culture there? Is it the coaching, the players, the program or a little bit of everything?**

I think if I were to describe my football team. I'd say we have discipline and great work ethic. I think what follows behind the wall of our success is the fact that we believe in ourselves. From day one we had buy-in and the rest is determined by our

hard work and what we earn in the weight room and on the field. I also think our brotherhood is one-of-a-kind, the way we are able to stick together when adversity is in our face and we can persevere is like no other. I wouldn't want to play for any other team in Arizona because no one else has a brotherhood like ours.

**Tell us about the weight room. You seemed to have made the weight room your home in your time at Canyon del Oro. How is the competition there?**

I love the weight room. Being in there is like therapy. I really enjoy being with my teammates as well, throwing around some heavy weight. Not only are we throwing around weight, when the workouts are hard we are able to dig deep and find the gear in us and we push each other. I think that my teammates put a lot of work in the weight room, which is why we have success on the field. I don't think I'd be as proficient of an athlete if we didn't take the weight room so seriously.

**You have a great GPA. Is this something you've tried hard to maintain as part of your athletic future, and has the classroom always been an important part of your life?**

The way I look at it is if you can't get it done in the classroom, how can you get it done on the field. I am not the smartest guy in the world, but what I've learned is if you apply the same work ethic you put into the field, just as much success you'll be getting on the field you'll be getting in the classroom, which is the glory of it.

**Can you tell us a little about your family. Did they compete in sports, and what kind of motivation have they given you in your academic and athletic career?**

My mom played volleyball and my dad was a multi-sport athlete. I think seeing my parents work so hard to give me and my little brother the best life gives me motivation. That motivation to achieve my goals to later repay them for helping me achieve success.

**Who else on your team do we need to keep an eye out for that has possibly gone under the radar?**

To be fair, I think my whole team should be looked at. We are all great athletes with great work ethics who want to win. If I were to throw a few names out there I'd say Kayden Luke, Ryan Madsen, Chase Laux, Austin Greer, Evan Greer, Aaron Jacobson, Chance Cassel, and Vijay King. Then again those are just a few guys who are dogs. I think everyone on my team is a dog.

**When you line up against a very difficult opponent do you like the challenge, and what can you tell us about what happens in the trenches?**

When I line up against someone just as good as me it makes me want to compete even more. I think being able to have the opportunity to go against someone who is just as skilled as you will not only make you a better athlete/football player, but you can learn from your mistakes and improve upon your game.

—Andy Morales, AZPreps365.com





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2022 4A RETURNING STAT

# LEADERS

Buckeye Union WR Darius Haskins [Mark Jones photo/MaxPreps]

Bradshaw Mountain DE James Giggey [Mark Jones photo/MaxPreps]



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## PASSING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	TDs/INT
Sr.	Gabriel Smith, Walden Grove	2,591/259.1	27/3
Sr.	Jacob Lira, Youngker	2,541/231.0	25/8
Sr.	Braesen León, Marcos de Niza	2,299/209.0	32/4
Jr.	Jaxon Castro, AZ College Prep	2,156/196.0	20/9
So.	Camar Lee, Sierra Linda	1,947/194.7	15/15
Sr.	Ricardo Juarez, Buckeye Union	1,790/162.7	15/8
Sr.	Zechariah Owens, Glendale	1,758/175.8	13/3
Sr.	Tyler Thompson, Lake Havasu	1,702/130.9	16/6
Jr.	Jayden Thoreson, Mica Mountain	1,695/169.5	20/8
Sr.	Jaxon Rice, Prescott	1,458/121.5	8/7

## SCORING

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Points	Pts/G	TDs
Sr.	RB	Samuel Delgado, Catalina Foothills	116	11.6	19
Sr.	RB	Cole Samples, Eastmark (3A)	102	7.3	17
Sr.	WR	Paul Guy, Walden Grove	89	8.9	13
Sr.	RB	Gabriel Ricketts, Bradshaw Mountain	84	7.0	14
Jr.	WR	Reilly Feil, Lee Williams	72	7.2	12
Sr.	QB	Vincenzo Orlando, Sahuaro	70	7.0	11
Jr.	RB	Izaiah Orozco, Lee Williams	69	6.9	5
Sr.	RB	Emiliano Berthely, Douglas	68	7.6	11
Sr.	K	Rolando Negrete, Buckeye Union	67	6.1	
Sr.	RB	Jett McCray, Snowflake	66	4.7	11

## RUSHING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	Yds-C	TDs
Sr.	Gabriel Ricketts, Bradshaw Mountain	1,554/129.5	6.5	12
Sr.	Samuel Delgado, Catalina Foothills	1,149/114.9	7.8	18
Sr.	Jett McCray, Snowflake	899/64.2	6.3	8
Sr.	Jesus Garcia, Glendale	878/87.8	7.6	7
Sr.	Jantzen Ginger, Youngker	867/86.7	7.1	9
Sr.	Zechariah Owens, Glendale	826/82.6	6.9	7
Sr.	Emiliano Berthely, Douglas	817/90.8	7.0	6
Sr.	Cole Samples, Eastmark (3A)	802/57.3	8.5	17
Sr.	Jose Alba, Canyon del Oro	768/64.0	6.80	6
Sr.	Lorenzo Alexander, Marcos de Niza	652/65.2	5.82	7

## RECEIVING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	Yds-R	TDs
Sr.	Darius Haskin, Buckeye Union	1,026/114	23.9	9
Sr.	Jake Busot, AZ College Prep	1,018/92.5	15.0	7
Sr.	Paul Guy, Walden Grove	1,004/100.4	17.0	13
Sr.	Devin White, Lee Williams	931/93.1	22.8	7
Jr.	Reilly Feil, Lee Williams	797/79.7	15.6	12
Jr.	Darryl Coleman Jr, Yuma Catholic	74/84.9	15.6	9
Sr.	Matthew Johanson, Greenway	707/78.6	17.7	7
Sr.	Marshall Gillette, Northwest Christian	686/62.4	12.9	4
Jr.	Sir Stokes, Yuma Catholic	654/65.4	16.0	8
Sr.	Jaxon Bailey/Eastmark (3A)	638/45.6	17.7	3

## TOTAL YARDS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total Yds	Yds-G
Sr.	QB	Gabriel Smith, Walden Grove	2,761	276.1
Sr.	QB	Jacob Lira, Youngker	2,625	238.6
Sr.	QB	Zechariah Owens, Glendale	2,818	261.8
Sr.	QB	Braesen León, Marcos de Niza	2,555	232.3
Jr.	QB	Jaxon Castro, AZ College Prep	2,166	196.9
Sr.	QB	Tyler Thompson, Lake Havasu	2,064	158.8
So.	QB	Camar Lee, Sierra Linda	1,940	194
Sr.	QB	Ricardo Juarez, Buckeye Union	1,848	168
Sr.	RB	Gabriel Ricketts, Bradshaw Mountain	1,648	137.3
Jr.	QB	Jayden Thoreson, Mica Mountain	1,610	161.0

## TACKLES

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total tackles	Tackles-G
Sr.	DE	James Giggey, Bradshaw Mountain	133	11.1
Jr.	MLB	Akhil Harris, Sierra Linda	124	12.4
Sr.	SS	Victor Padilla, Glendale	103	10.3
Jr.	LB	Rocky Stallworth, Yuma Catholic	102	8.5
Sr.	LB	Kevin Winegar, Eastmark (3A)	102	7.3
Sr.	LB	Jordan Kelley, Bradshaw Mountain	99	8.2
Sr.	DT	Israel Krize, Eastmark (3A)	98	7.0
Sr.	DE	Jaxon Jones, Yuma Catholic	96	8.0
Sr.	SS	Jakhi Robertson, Poston Butte	94	8.5
Sr.	LB	Mason Roets, Apache Junction	87	7.9

## SACKS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total Sacks	Sacks-G
Sr.	DL	Cayden Gibson, AZ College Prep	18.5	1.7
Sr.	DE	Jaxon Jones, Yuma Catholic	17.0	1.4
Jr.	LB	Michael Palmer, Independence	16.5	1.6
Jr.	DE	Carson Minnaar, Eastmark (3A)	13.0	0.9
Sr.	DE	Gabriel Rodriguez, Peoria	12.0	1.2
Sr.	DE	Jerry Washington, Independence	12.0	1.2
Sr.	DT	Israel Krize, Eastmark (3A)	11.0	0.8
Sr.	DE	Darius Wiley, Younger	10.0	1.0
Sr.	G	Ryan Kavalami, Thunderbird	9.5	0.8
Jr.	LB	Evan Greer, Canyon del Oro	9.0	0.7

## INTERCEPTIONS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total INTs
Sr.	CB	Daylan Chichester, Eastmark (3A)	9
Sr.	SS	Jakhi Robertson, Poston Butte	7
Sr.	CB	Brian Costa, Thunderbird	5
Jr.	CB	Quincy Starks, Independence	5
Sr.	SS	Mario Camacho, Mingus Union	4
Sr.	CB	Ted Scow, Buckeye Union	4
Jr.	CB	Kion Henderson, Moon Valley	4
Jr.	FS	Christian Vazquez, Moon Valley	4
Sr.	LB	Kason Colbert, Mica Mountain	3
Sr.	CB	Xavior Johnson, Mica Mountain	3
Sr.	DB	Kaden Martin, Buckeye Union	3



## 4A SCHEDULES

Alhambra		
08/25	vs Sahuarita	7:00 PM
09/01	at Desert Sunrise	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Independence	7:00 PM
09/15	at Seton Catholic Prep	7:00 PM
09/21	vs Moon Valley	7:00 PM
09/29	at Deer Valley	7:00 PM
10/06	at Estrella Foothills	7:00 PM
10/20	vs Maryvale	7:00 PM
10/26	at Washington	7:00 PM
11/03	vs Copper Canyon	7:00 PM

Amphitheater		
08/25	at Maryvale	7:00 PM
09/01	vs Independence	7:00 PM
09/08	at Flowing Wells	7:00 PM
09/15	vs Canyon Del Oro	7:00 PM
09/22	at Cholla	7:00 PM
09/29	vs Douglas	7:00 PM
10/06	at Empire	7:00 PM
10/13	vs Rincon/University	7:00 PM
10/20	at Rio Rico	7:00 PM
10/27	vs Sahuarita	7:00 PM

Apache Junction		
08/25	at Peoria	7:00 PM
09/01	at AZ College Prep	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Barry Goldwater	7:00 PM
09/15	at San Tan Foothills	7:00 PM
09/22	vs Bradshaw Mountain	7:00 PM
09/28	at Marcos de Niza	7:00 PM
10/13	at Coconino	7:00 PM
10/20	vs Poston Butte	7:00 PM
10/27	vs Snowflake	7:00 PM
11/03	at Eastmark	7:00 PM

Arcadia		
08/25	at St. Mary's	7:00 PM
09/01	at Walden Grove	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Benjamin Franklin	7:00 PM
09/15	vs Coconino	7:00 PM
09/22	at Camelback	7:00 PM
09/29	vs Desert Sunrise	7:00 PM
10/06	vs Mesquite	7:00 PM
10/20	at Combs	7:00 PM
10/27	vs Vista Grande	7:00 PM
11/03	at AZ College Prep	7:00 PM

AZ College Prep		
08/25	at SLAM Academy (NV)	7:00 PM
09/01	vs Apache Junction	7:00 PM
09/08	at Estrella Foothills	7:00 PM
09/15	at Eastmark	7:00 PM
09/22	at Yuma Catholic	7:00 PM
09/29	vs Vista Grande	7:00 PM
10/13	at Combs	7:00 PM
10/20	vs Desert Sunrise	7:00 PM
10/26	vs Mesquite	7:00 PM
11/03	vs Arcadia	7:00 PM

Bradshaw Mountain		
08/25	vs Snowflake	7:00 PM
09/01	vs Canyon Del Oro	7:00 PM
09/08	at Moon Valley	7:00 PM
09/15	vs St. Mary's	7:00 PM
09/22	at Apache Junction	7:00 PM
09/29	at Coconino	7:00 PM
10/06	vs Mingus Union	7:00 PM
10/20	at Prescott	7:00 PM
10/27	vs Flagstaff	7:00 PM
11/03	at Lee Williams	7:00 PM

Buckeye Union		
08/26	at Waimea (HI)	6:00 PM
09/01	at Youngker	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Glendale	7:00 PM
09/15	vs Estrella Foothills	7:00 PM
09/22	at Canyon View	7:00 PM
09/29	vs Northwest Christian	7:00 PM
10/13	vs Yuma Catholic	7:00 PM
10/20	at Thunderbird	7:00 PM
10/26	vs St. Mary's	7:00 PM
11/03	at Lake Havasu	7:00 PM

Canyon del Oro		
08/25	vs Eastmark	7:00 PM
09/01	at Bradshaw Mountain	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Desert View	7:00 PM
09/15	at Amphitheater	7:00 PM
09/22	at Marana	7:00 PM
10/06	at Catalina Foothills	7:00 PM
10/13	vs Mica Mountain	7:00 PM
10/20	at Pueblo	7:00 PM
10/27	vs Sahuarito	7:00 PM
11/03	vs Walden Grove	7:00 PM

Carl Hayden		
08/25	at Coconino	7:00 PM
09/01	vs Lake Havasu	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Tempe	7:00 PM
09/15	at Northwest Christian	7:00 PM
09/29	at Moon Valley	7:00 PM
10/06	at Youngker	7:00 PM
10/13	vs Glendale	7:00 PM
10/20	vs Washington	7:00 PM
10/26	at Greenway	7:00 PM
11/03	vs Peoria	7:00 PM

Catalina Foothills		
08/25	at Combs	7:00 PM
09/01	vs Yuma Catholic	7:00 PM
09/08	at Buena	7:00 PM
09/15	at Pusch Ridge	7:00 PM
09/22	at Tucson	7:00 PM
09/29	vs Sahuarito	7:00 PM
10/06	vs Canyon Del Oro	7:00 PM
10/20	vs Walden Grove	7:00 PM
10/27	at Pueblo	7:00 PM
11/03	vs Mica Mountain	7:00 PM

Cholla		
08/25	vs Copper Canyon	7:00 PM
09/01	at Maryvale	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Pueblo	7:00 PM
09/15	at Sahuarito	7:00 PM
09/22	vs Amphitheater	7:00 PM
09/29	at Rincon/University	7:00 PM
10/06	at Douglas	7:00 PM
10/13	vs Sahuarita	7:00 PM
10/20	vs Empire	7:00 PM
11/03	at Rio Rico	7:00 PM

Coconino		
08/25	vs Carl Hayden	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Payson	7:00 PM
09/15	at Arcadia	7:00 PM
09/22	at Poston Butte	7:00 PM
09/29	vs Bradshaw Mountain	7:00 PM
10/06	at Lee Williams	7:00 PM
10/13	vs Apache Junction	7:00 PM
10/20	at Mingus Union	7:00 PM
10/27	vs Prescott	7:00 PM
11/03	at Flagstaff	7:00 PM

Combs		
08/25	vs Catalina Foothills	7:00 PM
08/31	at Eastmark	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Coolidge	7:00 PM
09/15	at Maryvale	7:00 PM
09/22	vs Prescott	7:00 PM
09/29	at Mesquite	7:00 PM
10/13	vs AZ College Prep	7:00 PM
10/20	vs Arcadia	7:00 PM
10/27	at Desert Sunrise	7:00 PM
11/03	at Vista Grande	7:00 PM

Copper Canyon		
08/25	at Cholla	7:00 PM
09/01	vs Poston Butte	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Desert Sunrise	7:00 PM
09/15	at Mingus Union	7:00 PM
09/22	vs Flagstaff	7:00 PM
09/29	vs Washington	7:00 PM
10/06	at Maryvale	7:00 PM
10/20	at Deer Valley	7:00 PM
10/26	vs Estrella Foothills	7:00 PM
11/03	at Alhambra	7:00 PM

Deer Valley		
08/25	vs North Canyon	7:00 PM
09/01	at Sahuarita	7:00 PM
09/07	at Greenway	7:00 PM
09/15	vs La Joya	7:00 PM
09/22	at Mingus Union	7:00 PM
09/29	vs Alhambra	7:00 PM
10/06	at Washington	7:00 PM
10/20	vs Copper Canyon	7:00 PM
10/26	vs Maryvale	7:00 PM
11/03	at Estrella Foothills	7:00 PM

Desert Sunrise		
08/25	at Glendale	7:00 PM
09/01	vs Alhambra	7:00 PM
09/08	at Copper Canyon	7:00 PM
09/15	vs Flagstaff	7:00 PM
09/22	at Vista Grande	7:00 PM
09/29	at Arcadia	7:00 PM
10/06	vs Eastmark	7:00 PM
10/20	at AZ College Prep	7:00 PM
10/27	vs Combs	7:00 PM
11/03	at Mesquite	7:00 PM

Douglas		
08/25	at ALA-Ironwood	7:00 PM
09/01	vs Bisbee	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Sahuarito	7:00 PM
09/15	at Ironwood Ridge	7:00 PM
09/22	at Empire	7:00 PM
09/29	at Amphitheater	7:00 PM
10/06	vs Cholla	7:00 PM
10/13	vs Rio Rico	7:00 PM
10/27	at Rincon/University	7:00 PM
11/03	vs Sahuarita	7:00 PM

Eastmark		
08/25	at Canyon Del Oro	7:00 PM
08/31	vs Combs	7:00 PM
09/08	at Mesquite	7:00 PM
09/15	vs AZ College Prep	7:00 PM
09/22	vs Northwest Christian	7:00 PM
09/29	at Poston Butte	7:00 PM
10/06	at Desert Sunrise	7:00 PM
10/20	vs Snowflake	7:00 PM
10/27	at Marcos de Niza	7:00 PM
11/03	vs Apache Junction	7:00 PM



<b>Empire</b>		
08/25	..... at Sierra Linda	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs La Joya	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Ironwood Ridge	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Pueblo	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Douglas	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Sahuarita	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Amphitheater	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Cholla	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Rio Rico	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Rincon/University	7:00 PM

<b>Estrella Foothills</b>		
08/24	..... at Youngker	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Mingus Union	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs AZ College Prep	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Buckeye Union	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Seton Catholic Prep	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Maryvale	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Alhambra	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Washington	7:00 PM
10/26	..... at Copper Canyon	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Deer Valley	7:00 PM

<b>Flagstaff</b>		
08/24	..... vs Greenway	1:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Somerset (NV)	6:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Winslow	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Desert Sunrise	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Copper Canyon	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Mingus Union	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Prescott	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Lee Williams	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Bradshaw Mountain	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Coconino	7:00 PM

<b>Gila Ridge</b>		
08/25	..... at Army and Navy (CA)	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Southwest (CA)	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Imperial (CA)	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Cibola	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Brawley (CA)	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Sierra Linda	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Seton Catholic Prep	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs La Joya	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Poston Butte	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Independence	7:00 PM

<b>Glendale</b>		
08/25	..... vs Desert Sunrise	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Rio Rico	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Buckeye Union	7:00 PM
09/14	..... vs Thunderbird	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Independence	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Greenway	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Carl Hayden	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Peoria	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Youngker	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Moon Valley	7:00 PM

<b>Greenway</b>		
08/24	..... at Flagstaff	1:00 PM
09/07	..... vs Deer Valley	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Dysart	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Thunderbird	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Independence	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Glendale	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Peoria	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Moon Valley	7:00 PM
10/26	..... vs Carl Hayden	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Youngker	7:00 PM

<b>Independence</b>		
08/25	..... vs Raymond S. Kellis	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Amphitheater	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Alhambra	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Washington	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Glendale	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Greenway	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Seton Catholic Prep	7:00 PM
10/19	..... at Sierra Linda	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at La Joya	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Gila Ridge	7:00 PM

<b>La Joya</b>		
08/25	..... vs Prescott	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Empire	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Westview	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Deer Valley	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Paradise Valley	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Coolidge	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Sierra Linda	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Gila Ridge	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Independence	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Seton Catholic Prep	7:00 PM

<b>Lake Havasu</b>		
08/25	..... vs Lee Williams	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Carl Hayden	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Mohave	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Youngker	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Thunderbird	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Northwest Christian	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs St. Mary's	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Marcos de Niza	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Yuma Catholic	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Buckeye Union	7:00 PM

<b>Lee Williams</b>		
08/25	..... at Lake Havasu	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Sierra Linda	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Wickenburg	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Moon Valley	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Mohave	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Prescott	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Coconino	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Flagstaff	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Mingus Union	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Bradshaw Mountain	7:00 PM

<b>Marcos de Niza</b>		
08/25	..... vs Yuma Catholic	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at McClintock	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Fountain Hills	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Youngker	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Corona del Sol	7:00 PM
09/28	..... vs Apache Junction	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Snowflake	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Lake Havasu	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Eastmark	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Poston Butte	7:00 PM

<b>Maryvale</b>		
08/25	..... vs Amphitheater	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Cholla	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Chino Valley	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Combs	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at South Mountain	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Estrella Foothills	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Copper Canyon	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Alhambra	7:00 PM
10/26	..... at Deer Valley	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Washington	7:00 PM

<b>Mesquite</b>		
08/25	..... vs Mingus Union	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Mica Mountain	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Eastmark	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Gilbert	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Maricopa	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Combs	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Arcadia	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Vista Grande	7:00 PM
10/26	..... at AZ College Prep	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Desert Sunrise	7:00 PM

<b>Mica Mountain</b>		
08/25	..... at Poston Butte	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Mesquite	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Sabino	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Sunnyside	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Casa Grande	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Pueblo	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Canyon Del Oro	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Sahuaro	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Walden Grove	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Catalina Foothills	7:00 PM

<b>Mingus Union</b>		
08/25	..... at Mesquite	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Estrella Foothills	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Blue Ridge	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Copper Canyon	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Deer Valley	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Flagstaff	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Bradshaw Mountain	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Coconino	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Lee Williams	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Prescott	7:00 PM

<b>Moon Valley</b>		
08/24	..... at Thunderbird	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Bradshaw Mountain	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Lee Williams	7:00 PM
09/21	..... at Alhambra	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Carl Hayden	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs St. Mary's	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Youngker	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Greenway	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Peoria	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Glendale	7:00 PM

<b>Northwest Christian</b>		
08/25	..... vs Walden Grove	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Sahuaro	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Prescott	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Carl Hayden	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Eastmark	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Buckeye Union	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Lake Havasu	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at St. Mary's	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Thunderbird	7:00 PM
11/03	..... vs Yuma Catholic	7:00 PM

<b>Peoria</b>		
08/25	..... vs Apache Junction	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Raymond S. Kellis	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at ALA-West Foothills	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Sierra Linda	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Cactus	7:00 PM
09/28	..... vs Youngker	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Greenway	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Glendale	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Moon Valley	7:00 PM
11/03	..... at Carl Hayden	7:00 PM



Poston Butte		
8/25	vs Mica Mountain	7:00 PM
09/01	at Copper Canyon	7:00 PM
09/08	at Campo Verde	7:00 PM
09/15	at Round Valley	7:00 PM
09/22	vs Coconino	7:00 PM
09/29	vs Eastmark	7:00 PM
10/06	at Snowflake	7:00 PM
10/20	at Apache Junction	7:00 PM
10/27	vs Gila Ridge	7:00 PM
11/03	vs Marcos de Niza	7:00 PM

Prescott		
08/25	at La Joya	7:00 PM
09/01	vs Thunderbird	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Northwest Christian	7:00 PM
09/15	at Vista Grande	7:00 PM
09/22	at Combs	7:00 PM
09/29	at Lee Williams	7:00 PM
10/06	vs Flagstaff	7:00 PM
10/20	vs Bradshaw Mountain	7:00 PM
10/27	at Coconino	7:00 PM
11/03	vs Mingus Union	7:00 PM

Pueblo		
08/25	at Nogales	7:00 PM
09/01	vs Vista Grande	7:00 PM
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# 3A CONFERENCE FOOTBALL PRESEASON RANKINGS



*Sabino races into the season ranked No. 1 by AZPreps365. (Steven Davis photo/MaxPreps)*

By **Brian M. Bergner Jr.**  
**AZPreps365.com**

**1. SABINO:** Three-year starting quarterback Cameron Hackworth returns for his senior season in 2023 having completed 68% of his passes for 2,720 yards and 31 touchdowns last fall. “[He is] the epitome of a leader,” Sabino head coach Ryan McBrayer said. “He is surrounded by a very talented core at all the skill positions.” McBrayer, who needs four wins this season to hit the 50 mark for his career at Sabino, said the biggest challenge this season is going to be staying healthy due to not having a bye week. “Every game is going to be a big challenge,” McBrayer said.

**2. PARADISE HONORS:** Returning as 3A Metro West Region champs, Paradise Honors is looking to take the next step toward claiming a state title in 2023. And with 14 returning starters and a strong core of seniors who have played three years of varsity football together, they are ready to do just that. “This team bought into the culture and core values. One of the core values this program has built on is family, and this team has become a family and believes in and plays for one another,” Paradise Honors head coach Josh Goodloe said. The Panthers finished 9-2 overall last fall, losing to No. 4 Show Low 77-42 in the state quarterfinals. During their 5-0 mark in region play, Paradise Honors averaged 51.8 points per game.

**3. SHOW LOW:** The defending 3A Northeast Region champs return this fall with only six returning starters, but do-it-all senior Nash Brewer won’t mind the challenge. Throwing for more than 1,500 yards and 21 touchdowns in the air, Brewer

also ran for more than 800 yards on the ground and scored 16 more touchdowns with his legs as one of the top dual-threat athletes in the state. At 6-foot-1, 190 pounds, the senior quarterback, defensive back and punter will keep any opposing coach up at night wondering how to stop him. The Cougars lost 21-7 to No. 1-ranked Thatcher in the state semifinals last fall.

**4. THATCHER:** Having lost to the eventual state champion in each of the past two seasons, Thatcher head coach Daniel Jones and his program are chomping at the bit to finally get over the hump. They hope that it finally happens in 2023. Returning only six starters after graduating a “very talented” senior class, the Eagles will rely on a youthful influx of gifted football players. Its JV team went undefeated last year. “We have some very dynamic athletes and they will just need to gel and mold together to play our brand of Thatcher football,” Jones said. “Thatcher has a very rich tradition of loving football. We have multiple assistant coaches who went to school here and were champions in their own right.”

**5. ALA-WEST FOOTHILLS:** Starting 0-4 last season before winning five of their last six games to make the 3A state playoffs, ALA-West Foothills players built confidence along the way in preparation for this fall. And with 16 starters returning in 2023, the Guardians may be the sleeper team to watch in the 3A. Chad Mitton, who enters his first year as head coach, said his one-two punch at running back is one of the best in the state. Running back Marquez Smith led the 3A Metro West in rushing with 1,285 yards and 16 touchdowns last fall. And his counterpart, Memphis Palelei, just ran a 4.8 40-yard dash this



offseason, making the running game a formidable offensive attack teams will have to stop. "The two together make us a contender," Mitton said. Palelei also plays middle linebacker, and at 6-foot-1, 265 pounds, it's difficult to stop him.

**6. MOHAVE:** Entering its third season in 3A football, Mohave is also looking to take the next step this fall in its goal to win a state title. Claiming the 3A West Region last fall with a perfect 6-0 record, coach Rudy Olvera's group will feature a senior linebacker who is being sought after by several NCAA Division I football programs, including West Point and UNLV. At 6-foot, 225 pounds, senior Jonathan Williams is a force to be reckoned with. As a junior, Williams was third in the 3A West Region in tackles with 79. Mohave made it to the state playoffs as a No. 9 seed, losing to No. 8 Valley Christian 33-19.

**7. PUSCH RIDGE:** Pusch Ridge finished 11-2 overall a season ago, losing only to Thatcher (28-14 in Week 6) and Eastmark (45-10 in the semifinals), who were both of the participants in the 3A title game. Returning three starters on offense and five on defense, the Lions' youth and inexperience will have to weather a difficult path to the playoffs with Show Low (Aug. 25 at NAU), Sabino (Sept. 29), Morenci (Oct. 6) and Thatcher (Oct. 20) on the schedule. Kent Middleton's group will rely on a group of tough-minded seniors, including quarterback Bubba Mustain, linebacker Will Joyce, offensive lineman Max Amerine and defensive back Tyler Drecsher.

**8. VALLEY CHRISTIAN:** An early first-round exit in the 3A state playoffs isn't exactly what a traditional winning program such as Valley Christian was looking for in 2022. And after graduating a strong group of seniors, leaving behind only four returning starters, this season's Trojans will have something to prove. But that doesn't mean that they won't be one of the

top 3A teams to watch in 2023. Coach Jake Petersen expects his group to make it to at least the 3A state quarterfinals. To do so, the Trojans will turn to senior quarterback Gunner Link, who threw a total of 11 passes last fall behind senior stand-out Hunter Heeringa. Seniors Caleb Lewis (LB), Isaiah Anderson (SS), Will Bastian (C) and Jimmy Twonbly (OLB) are ones to watch in 2023. Also, young center Cal Keeler is a nationally ranked long-snapper for the Trojans.

**9. MORENCI:** Under first-year head coach Rishard Davis, the Wildcats are fresh off a 2A state championship appearance in 2022 when they went 12-2 overall but lost to Pima 59-19 for the title. Now in the 3A South Region, Morenci returns 11 starters looking to learn a new system under Davis, who said his biggest challenge this fall is "establishing a relationship" with his new players. "I feel we have to hit the ground running," Davis said, adding that he shouldn't have too many problems. "The majority of the players on our team have known each other since elementary school. Most schools have to force team building throughout the offseason, where at Morenci, it's grown organically."

**10. ROUND VALLEY:** The Elks earned a No. 6 seed in last year's state playoffs, defeating No. 11 Florence, 26-13, before losing 44-0 to No. 3 Pusch Ridge in the quarterfinals. Round Valley returns 13 starters, including seven on defense, from a group that took second overall in the 3A Northeast Region with a 6-1 record. One of those returners is quarterback Ryker Marble. The senior was third overall in 3A Northeast Region play with 17 touchdown passes as a junior. The Elks host 3A conference newcomer and 2A state runner-up Morenci at home Aug. 25.



Valley Christian is battle tested. The team's three losses last season were all to state semifinalists. (Mark Jones photo/MaxPreps)



## 3A CONFERENCE FOOTBALL TEAM-BY-TEAM PREVIEW



Tristen Sanchez and Morenci take their offensive showcase up to 3A this season. (Chris Stanley photo/MaxPreps)

By Brian M. Bergner Jr.  
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### SOUTH REGION

#### Morenci

**Head coach:** Rishard Davis.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Sr. TE/DL Tristen Sanchez; Sr. RB/LB Michael Casillas; Sr. WB/DE Donovan Vozza; Sr. OL/DL Austyn Nelson; Sr. QB/DB Joseph Seballos.

**Team's biggest question marks:** How quickly can Wildcat players get comfortable with a new system under first year coach Rishard Davis? Can Morenci compete in 3A year in and year out?

**Team expectations:** Coach Davis and the Wildcats aim to "Control what we can control." Morenci expects to compete in every game it plays in 2023.

**Beyond the numbers:** Coach Davis reports that senior tight end and defensive lineman Tristen Sanchez stood out in the off-season. "Being that it is my first year at Morenci, I'm surprised that he's flying under the radar when it comes to recognized talent." Sanchez led the 2A Salt region with 106 tackles in 2022, including 23.5 sacks, which was second only to Kingman Academy's Mason Anderson (26.0 in 2022).

#### Pusch Ridge

**Head coach:** Kent Middleton.

**Years as the school's coach/record:** 3rd Year/27-7.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 3.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB/DB Bubba Mustain 6-2, 195; Sr. LB/RB Will Joyce 5-7, 190; Sr. OL/DL Max Amerine 5-10, 220; Sr. DB/REC Tyler Drecsher 5-11, 165; Sr. OL/DL Sam Avery 5-10, 205.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Youth and inexperience. Depth. Offensive inexperience.

**Team expectations:** Work hard, make the playoffs.

**Beyond the numbers:** The Lions finished 11-2 overall last season, losing only to Thatcher (Week 6, 28-14) and Eastmark (3A state semifinals, 45-10). Both losses came against the two clubs that played for a 3A state title. Coach Middleton's group will open the season Aug. 25 against Show Low at the NAU Walkup Skydome.

#### Sabino

**Head coach:** Ryan McBrayer.

**Years as the school's coach/record:** 7th Year/46-16.

**Potential milestone:** McBrayer's 50th win.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** Sr. Cameron Hackworth 5-7, 165; Sr. Mason Cade 5-10, 185; Jr. Shamar Berryhill 6-1, 190; Sr. Garrett Thompson 6-3, 200; Sr. Trey Malone 6-0, 225.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Depth at offensive line. Forcing take aways from the secondary. Very tough schedule and 3A South ahead of us.

**Team expectations:** Compete for a region title, get better every week, see how far we can go into November.

**Beyond the numbers:** Offensive Coordinator Sly Lewis has served on the Sabino coaching staff for 20 years. Shamar Berryhill had more than 900 yards receiving in 2022. Sabino is looking for its 21st straight playoff appearance this fall.

#### Safford

**Head coach:** Robert Park.

**Years as the school's coach/record:** 3rd Year/11-9.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 9.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB JoJo Ruelas; Sr. RB Damian Rios; Sr. HB Chris Shatto; Jr. WR Cole Goodman; OL Branden Aguilar.



**Team's biggest question marks:** Offensive line depth.

**Team expectations:** Compete every day and game.

**Beyond the numbers:** Safford assistant coach Anthony Aguilar continues to fight cancer and shows his players how to fight through adversity every day by doing so.

#### Thatcher

**Head coach:** Daniel Jones.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4th year/26-9.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 3.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** Sr. OL Zach Salazar 6-5, 245; Jr. MLB Brett Jones 6-1, 215; Jr. WR/S Wyatt Nicholas 6-1, 165; Jr. RB/DB Kody Bingham 5-8, 155; Sr. RB/DB Christian Carter 5-9, 160.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Can talented JV grow up and compete at the varsity level? Losing an extremely talented class. Can this year's seniors step up and lead?

**Team expectations:** What is expected of every Thatcher football team is to compete for a title. Play tough as nails football and strive to win every game.

**Beyond the numbers:** Thatcher has lost to the eventual state champion in the last two seasons.



Thatcher TE/DE Zachary Salazar (Mark Jones photo/MaxPreps)

### METRO EAST REGION

#### Benjamin Franklin

**Head coach:** Danny Norris.

**Years as school's coach:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Sr. OL/DL Jake Alexander 6-6, 250; Jr. RB/LB Ridge Allen 5-9, 170; Sr. ATH/LB Carlos Madrid 6-0, 180; Jr. ATH/LB Ashton Grant 6-0, 160; Jr. WR/DB Jack Kronwald 6-0, 160.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Building intentional relationships and trust with the new coaching staff. How well can club execute early on in a new offense? How will club respond to being back in 3A?

**Team expectations:** This 2023 team aims to get better every week and compete for the 3A Metro East region title.

#### Bourgade Catholic

**Head coach:** Drew Anderson.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2nd year/3-6.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 1.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 2.

**Key returning players:** Randy Perez; Kaiel Hernandez; Joaquin Laborin; Jose Cardenas; Orlando Ruebles.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Offense. Defense. Quarterback.

**Team expectations:** 8-2 season with deep playoff wins.

#### Tempe

**Head coach:** Sean Freeman.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2nd year/1-9.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 10.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** WR/DE Kamron Jackson 6-4, 180; QB Tykerrion Galberth 5-9, 160; QB Saul Mendez 5-8, 165; RB/DL Shaun Reed 5-8, 200; WR/DB Antavion Williams 6-3, 175.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Can this team get to five wins? Are we a playoff caliber team? Is this team still in the rebuilding phase?

**Team expectations:** Five-plus wins, playoffs.

**Beyond the numbers:** Senior wide receiver Kamron Jackson almost left the Tempe program to transfer to Mountain Pointe, but chose to stay on as one of the top wideouts in 3A. "He chose to stay here and become a leader, and make a name for himself. He is unselfish and a game changer. He is well respected. He is the epitome of Buffalo Pride!"

#### Valley Christian

**Head coach:** Jake Petersen.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4th year/26-7.

**Potential milestones:** 10 years coaching at Valley Christian this year..

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 1.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Gunnar Link 5-11, 165; Sr. ILB/WR Caleb Lewis 5-11, 200; Sr. SS/RB Isaiah Anderson 6-0, 180; Sr. C Will Bastian 6-0, 165; Sr. OLB/WR Jimmy Twombly.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Starting experience.

**Team expectations:** Valley Christian should at least make it to the 3A quarterfinals.

**Beyond the numbers:** Young center Cal Keeler is a nationally ranked long-snapper for the Trojans. His father, Andy Keeler, is a former offensive lineman for the Nebraska Huskers (1984-89) and is currently serving as an assistant coach under Petersen.

*Region notes: Gilbert Christian running back Sam Webb rushed for nearly 2,000 yards and scored 20 touchdowns as a sophomore for a Knights team that played 2A football a season ago.*

### CENTRAL REGION

#### ALA-Ironwood

**Head coach:** Loren Dawson.

**Years as school's coach:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. OL/DL Brendan Mass 6-0, 225; Jr. WR/DB Marques Dorsey 6-0, 165; Jr. WR/DB Hudson Graves 5-9, 160; Jr. RB/DB Ayden Williams 5-9, 165.

**Team's biggest question marks:** New staff, schemes and quarterback.

**Team expectations:** Be our best.

**Beyond the numbers:** Offensive and defensive line coach Michael Coe is an off-campus coach who gives time and money to the program, and has a great relationship with players.



## Coolidge

**Head coach:** Rodger Schenks.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 5th year/20-18.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** DL Andre Dukes 6-4, 270; WR Gavin Gunt-er 5-10, 160; DL Jacob Viola 5-10, 270; RB/LB Maurice Glass 5-9, 195; WE/LB Jordan Johnson 6-5, 195.

**Team expectations:** Improve from offseason work and continue to get better each week to compete for state championship.

## Crismon

**Head coach:** Corbin Smith.

**Years as school's coach:** 1st year.

**Potential upcoming milestones:** School's first varsity season.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 0

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 0

**Key returning players:** First varsity season.

**Team's biggest question marks:** First varsity season.

**Team expectations:** Win the 3A state title.

**Beyond the numbers:** Crismon is the third high school to join the Queen Creek Unified School District and opened its doors in July 2022. Once finished, the campus will range more than 80 acres, according to Queen Creek Sun Times writer Harrison Campbell in Aug. 2022, with academic and athletic facilities that would make any program jealous in Arizona. A turf football field is expected.

## Florence

**Head coach:** Jesse Hart.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2nd year/8-3.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB/DB Josh Jackson; Jr. QB Logan Stenson; Sr. DB/WR Izaiah Martinez; Sr. OL/DL Jakob Cook; Jr. LB/RB Garrett Raney.

**Team's biggest question marks:** This season's group is looking to replace a lot of offensive and defensive linemen from last year's team. They aim to become more balanced with the run/pass on offense this season coming up, and are hoping some younger guys step up this fall.

**Team expectations:** The Gophers return a few solid players from last season. They will be a younger team, but they are working hard in the weight room. Florence hopes to build off a nice turnaround of the program last season when they made the playoffs for the first time since 2017.

**Beyond the numbers:** Featured running back Josh Jackson will add a few duties to his workload in 2023, including playing defensive back. Logon Stenson appears primed for a breakout junior season at quarterback this fall.

## San Tan Foothills

**Head coach:** Mike Carlin.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3rd year/8-13.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Jr. QB Dalton Norman 6-1, 170; Sr. DB David Robbeloth 6-0, 185; Sr. DE/TE Cohen Scott 6-3, 200; Jr. OL/DL Taten Rivero 5-11, 210; Sr. WR/DB Da'Merrion Person 6-0, 175.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Offensive line, running backs.

**Team expectations:** We are hoping to continue the path we were on last year and keep evolving into a quality program.

**Beyond the numbers:** Quarterback Dalton Norman not only stars under center for the Sabercats, he is a three-sport athlete, managing a position on the soccer team and participating in track and field.

## EAST REGION

### Payson

**Head coach:** Bryan Burke.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 6th year/27-23.

**Potential milestones:** This season, potentially hitting milestone of second-most wins of all time in Longhorn program history (31) for coach.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. WR/RB Sergio Madrid 5-9, 155; RB/LB Hunter Bowman 5-10, 155; C/DT Robbie McAnerny 5-10, 220; RB/LB Fischer Pelt 5-8, 170; TE/DE Cutter Landress 6-3, 180.

**Teams' biggest question marks:** Varsity experience at quarterback position.

**Team expectations:** This Longhorn group expects to build on a successful 2022 season. They are returning to a very tough 3A East Region, with a goal to return to a 3A East championship and compete for a state title.

**Beyond the numbers:** Sergio Madrid recorded six interceptions last season, but still only made second team All-Region, giving him a chip on his shoulder for 2023. The Longhorns aim to turn things around at state this season after losing two consecutive first-round games.

### Round Valley

**Head coach:** Brad Baca.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3rd year/18-6.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Sr. Ryker Marble; Sr. Brett Jordan; Sr. Brody Ziegler; Sr. Noah Dana; Sr. Gauge Baker.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Depth, leadership.

**Team expectations:** If Round Valley can come together as a team and buy in to the team goals, they can be a very good football team. This group has the potential to be great but it's up to the coaches and players to get better every day and learn how to compete against the top teams in 3A.



Payson WR/DB Sergio Madrid (Mark Jones photo/MaxPreps)



## Show Low

**Head coach:** Carlo Hernandez.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3rd year/19-5.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 3.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB/DB/P Nash Brewer 6-1, 190; Jr. C/DL Dodger Hawkins 6-1, 210; So. RB/DB Jett Walker 5-10, 175; Sr. WR/DB Jake Decker 6-2, 185; Sr. OL/LB Easton Pena 5-10, 190.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Young, inexperienced, offensive and defensive line, and skill positions.

**Team expectations:** Improve every week and try to get into the playoffs.

*Region notes: Blue Ridge managed only 15.9 points per game offensively in 2022, finishing under .500 at 5-6 overall. ... Fountain Hills' Gannon Young caught 36 balls for 711 yards and eight touchdowns last fall.*

## NORTH REGION

### Monument Valley

**Head coach:** Bryan Begay.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 17th year/93-68.

Potential milestones: 100 wins as coach..

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** Sr. LB/RB Kentrell Begay 5-9, 165; Sr. WR/DB Uzziel Flores-Figueroa 5-8, 150; Sr. WR/FS Jaden Redhouse 6-1, 165; OL/DL Leighton Williams 6-2, 225; Sr. WR/DB Shawn Shorty 5-11, 150.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Who is going to play quarterback for the Mustangs? Will the Mustangs get fatigued with a heavy travel schedule (Blue Ridge, Kingman, Window Rock, Winslow)? Will playing in the 3A North give the Mustangs the confidence to win the 3A North title?

**Team expectations:** To create/maintain an atmosphere that is conducive to work. Never get complacent as the season goes on. Don't let the little things slide when it comes to the discipline of our players. This is how bad habits are formed. Never compromise! Full speed ahead! We are not done! Win the 3A North, make the 3A state playoffs, win as many games as possible and a state championship.

**Beyond the numbers:** The Mustangs will be searching for a new quarterback this fall as standout Albrandon Byjoe graduated in May. Byjoe threw for more than 2,000 yards and had 22 touchdowns to six interceptions. Kameron Young is an All-Region performer who plays three sports.

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**Head coach:** Bubba Billie.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 5th year/14-16.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Jr. DE Tyree Stingley 6-2, 190; Jr. RB Landon Mansker 6-1, 160; Jr. LB Warren Wall 5-9, 195; Sr. C Tairick Tadytin 5-10, 315; So. RB Connor Peterson 5-6, 130.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Lots of position competitions starting from this past spring. Who will be the Devils' quarterback? Offensive line needs to be shored up.

**Team expectations:** Win the 3A North. Host a playoff game and win a playoff game.

## Winslow

**Head coach:** Brandon Guzman.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 8th year/41-34.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. DE Rudy Gonzalez 5-11, 215; So. QB Gino Quinones 5-10, 165; Jr. S Joseph Guerrero 5-10, 165; Jr. S Michel Romero 5-5, 140; Jr. LB Seleti Serious 5-7, 185.

**Team's biggest question marks:** New quarterback Gino Quinones takes over under center. He's talented and can move. It will be his first taste of varsity this season. Replacing skill positions will be a challenge as Winslow returns only five starters on offense and four of them are on the offensive line. Developing depth is also key. Coach Guzman hopes to see a good group of players step up and add depth to all roster positions.

**Team expectations:** The Bulldogs aim to develop depth for all levels on the field, trenches and second level. If Winslow can do that, coach Guzman believes they can compete for a 3A North championship. The program's goal is to win the 3A North and make the state playoffs.

*Region notes: Chinle was 3-7 overall last season, but 3-0 in the 2A San Juan region before appealing to the AIA Executive Board to move up to 3A in the offseason. ... Ganado opened the season 2-1 with victories over Hopi and Tuba City before losing seven straight to end the campaign. ... Taylor Begay tossed 14 touchdown for Window Rock last year.*

## METRO WEST REGION

### ALA-West Foothills

**Head coach:** Chad Mitton.

Years as school's coach: 1st year.

Potential milestones: Coach Mitton aims to get his first win as leader of the Guardians in 2023.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 9.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** RB Marquez Smith; LB/RB Memphis Palelei; WR/DB Caden Calister; OT Ethan Aldrige; OT Will Prince.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Quarterback, defensive and offensive line.

**Team expectations:** Win region, state title.

**Beyond the numbers:** Memphis Palelei ran a 4.7 40 this offseason. The double-threat at running back could make for a formidable offense this fall.



ALA-West Foothills RB/FS Marquez Smith (Kevin French photo/MaxPreps)



### Dysart

**Head coach:** John Ganados.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 6th year/22-34.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 3.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 2.

**Key returning players:** OL/DL Xavier Silvas 6-0, 225; QB Kye Brown 6-4, 230; FS Joseph Seda 5-10, 165.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Influx of young talent needs experience.

**Team expectations:** Play hard, smart football.

### Odyssey Institute

**Head coach:** Kenneth Olson.

**Years as school's coach:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 10.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 9.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Jaxon Sauls; Sr. RB/DB Toy Landers; Sr. Center Bricker Meyer; Jr. OT/DT Quintin Roberts; Sr. WR/S Deiontae Tyson.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Who will emerge as leaders for the team? Will Odyssey's physicality be increased enough to get to the next level of success? What young players will rise up to impact the team?

**Team expectations:** Increased physicality, speed and intensity. Less unforced errors and penalties. Coach Olson expects to make playoffs this season.

**Beyond the numbers:** Senior Deiontae Tyson was a top wideout in 3A a season ago and is a college prospect. He caught 42 passes for 750 yards and eight touchdowns in 2022. Offensive coordinator Eilert Meyer returns under new coach, Kenneth Olson.

### Paradise Honors

**Head coach:** Josh Goodloe.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4th year/15-8.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Sr. Gage Baker; Sr. Josh Morales; Sr. Jalen Cox; Sr. Noah Shoop Sr. Garrison Ast; Sr. Isaiah Thomas, Sr. Coleman Burkhart.

**Team expectations:** Compete each week and go 1-0. Repeat as 3A Metro West region champs and make a deep playoff push.

*Region notes: Kofa was moved to 3A by the AIA's football reclassification committee after going 1-9 in 4A a season ago. ... Yuma quarterback Reggie Antone threw for 1,205 yards and 18 touchdowns as a junior in 2022.*

## WEST REGION

### Mohave

**Head coach:** Rudy Olvera.

**Years as school's coach:** 8th year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Jr. LB Isaac Urias 5-6, 150; Sr. RB/DE Tanner Maynes 6-0, 195; Sr. RB/LB Jonathan Williams 6-0, 225; Jr. OL Benjamin Pollock 6-4, 275.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Continue the success and growth. Fill the roles of the graduating starters. Can we repeat as 3A West Region champs?

**Team expectations:** Get out of the first round of playoffs, win a state title.

**Beyond the numbers:** Senior linebacker Jonathan Williams has several NCAA Division I offers to play college football after he graduates, including West Point and UNLV. As a junior he was third in the 3A West region with 79 tackles.

### Wickenburg

**Head coach:** Ishmael MacNeil.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2nd year/2-8.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB Klayton Smid 5-9, 165; Sr. LB Trace Buchert 5-11, 200; Sr. DT Carson Hone 5-9, 200; Sr. WR Landon Hamilton 5-10, 150; Sr. LB Landon DiCamillo 6-2, 180.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Offensive and defensive line, quarterback.

**Team expectations:** Wickenburg returns a lot of players with varsity experience who suffered injuries last year. The Wranglers have a team that is ready to compete for a 3A West region title this year.

**Beyond the numbers:** Assistant coach Carter Crosland will lead the junior varsity this fall. He is a Tetra-amelia syndrome survivor after being born without arm or legs. Coach MacNeil said, "He is a great coach and even better person." Senior running back Klayton Smid may only be 5-foot-9, 165 pounds, but he is the "heart" of the Wranglers, coach MacNeil said.

*Region notes: Chino Valley quarterback Ben Sibole completed 54% of his passes for 1,240 yards and 11 touchdowns during his sophomore season in 2022. ... Kingman running back Seth Baylon had 193 carries for 1,206 yards and seven touchdowns last fall as a sophomore. ... River Valley averaged 27 points per game offensively last season and won four of its last five games.*



*Paradise Honors QB Gage Baker (Kevin French photo/MaxPreps)*





**Where are you from?**

I was born in St. George, Utah. We moved to Marana, Arizona, when I was young, like 3 or 4. Then we moved to Show Low.

**Nash is a cool first name. Do you know why your parents named you that?**

Steve Nash. My parents have been in Arizona a long time. Phoenix Suns. It's not my first name, it's my middle name. My first name is Arlee. But my family has always called me Nash.

**What's it like living in Show Low and being quarterback of the Cougars?**

It gets boring, at times, living in Show Low. You must have a big imagination if you want to live here. Sometimes, you do stupid things to have fun. You can go to lots in the Valley, but you don't have a lot here. Being the quarterback for the Cougars is something I've always wanted to be, something I've strived to be. Growing up here, everyone knows about the football team. It felt like the NFL as a young child. Being in that spot now, I'm making the younger generation feel that way. It makes me happy, and it's exciting and a blast.

**You had a breakout season as a junior last fall when you completed nearly 60% of your passes for more than 1,500 yards and 21 touchdowns. What would you attribute your success to?**

Definitely my team. My team was, especially last year, full of talent and hard work. I couldn't complete those passes without Colton (Tidwell) or Ryan (Kishbaugh). Those boys were the reason why I completed those passes. You can't be a quarterback or have passing stats without good receivers.

**You were also a dual threat on the field with your legs at quarterback, rushing for more than 800 yards and 16 touchdowns. How do you repeat, if not exceed, last season's performance this coming fall?**

Do the same hard work, speed training and weightlifting I've been doing. Our strength and conditioning coach pushes us to be above and beyond what we are; by showing up to spring, summer practices, putting in the work he gives us. Going above and beyond. That's what will keep me successful.

**What's your favorite thing to do when not playing football?**

Either hang out with my girlfriend, or my friends. I do like to work, though. This summer I'm with a landscaper and construction company. (In the) summertime I love being outside and working in the sun.

**What are your dreams career-wise? Are you thinking of playing at the next level, or do you have other plans?**

I'm still kind of in the debate factor. I've been talked to by many college coaches. But I'm LDS (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints), so I still want to do a mission. Those two run hand-in-hand, and are being discussed. I'm still deciding what to do with my life.

**The Cougars made it to the 3A state semifinals last season but ran into a good Thatcher club and lost. Can Show Low win a championship this fall? And how will the team accomplish it?**

Honestly, showing up and putting in the work. That has proved to me that hard work beats talent when talent doesn't work hard. This year, (around Arizona), less and less kids come out because they don't want to put in the work. They want to go through the motions when other kids are getting bigger, stronger and faster. For us as a team, we may not be the best talented, but we are definitely putting in the work this year. And we are developing a lot of kids who you may not think are the best athletes.

**Do you also play other sports for the Cougars?**

Last year I played basketball and baseball, but in baseball, in the second game of the season, I broke my thumb. So I decided to use my talents elsewhere and ran track.

**What would you say is your favorite moment as a football player in high school so far?**

There's a couple of them, but I would definitely say beating Valley Christian when they were No. 1 in the preseason rankings (last season). That was probably the most exciting for me as a team. If we would have lost that game, who knows what we would have done. When we beat them, we knew what we were made of. It was the most exciting thing for my team. Also, Thatcher might be on top (of that), and seeing the Show Low people at the game in the Valley with their yellow growl towels and swinging them. That's a moment you can't beat.

**Do you have any brothers and sisters? If so how many?**

I have two brothers and two sisters. I am in the direct middle. I'm old enough to take care of myself, so they don't worry about me much. My brother is in college and my older sister got married. My younger brother is 14, and then my little sister is 11.

**Are your parents former athletes?**

Yes. My mom's side of the family, all my uncles are around 6 feet, or taller. They all played sports; I came from an athletic family. My dad's side, same thing. I get my size (5-11, 180) from my dad, though.

**Do you have any hobbies outside of football?**

I really like using my hands and different tools. I also like detailing cars. Any chance I get to build something, or fix something, I enjoy doing that. I can also weld.

—Brian M. Bergner Jr., [AZPreps365.com](http://AZPreps365.com)





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2022 3A RETURNING STAT

# LEADERS

Pusch Ridge QB Bubba Mustain (Jack Beasley photo/MaxPreps)

Mohave RB/LB/DE Jonathon Williams (Darin Sicurello photo/MaxPreps)



Source: MaxPreps

## PASSING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	TDs/INT
Sr.	Gage Baker, Paradise Honors	3,837/348.8	54/8
Sr.	Cameron Hackworth, Sabino	2,720/247.3	31/7
Sr.	Bubba Mustain, Pusch Ridge	2,637/202.8	30/5
So.	Luke Berlin, Blue Ridge	1,869/169.9	14/15
Sr.	Nash Brewer, Show Low	1,531/139.2	21/3
Sr.	Jojo Ruelas, Safford	1,297/127.3	10/3
So.	Joe Yoney Jr., Mohave	1,273/127.3	15/10
Jr.	Ben Sibole, Chino Valley	1,240/137.8	11/9
Sr.	Reggie Antone, Yuma	1,205/120.5	18/5
Sr.	Ryker Marble, Round Valley	1,161/105.5	17/7

## SCORING

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Points	Pts/G	TDs
Sr.	RB	Michael Casillas, Morenci (2A)	204	20.0	38
Jr.	RB	Sam Webb, Gilbert Christian (2A)	146	13.3	24
Sr.	QB	Nash Brewer, Show Low	120	10.9	18
Jr.	RB	Elias Johnson, Tempe	116	11.6	18
Jr.	WR	Shamar Berryhill, Sabino	102	8.5	17
Sr.	RB	Marquez Smith, ALA-West Foothills	98	8.9	16
Sr.	WR	Josh Morales, Paradise Honors	96	9.6	16
Sr.	RB	Jace Barton, Blue Ridge	90	8.2	15
Jr.	RB	Seth Baylon, Kingman	86	9.6	11
Sr.	WR	Josh Jackson, San Tan Foothills	84	9.3	14

## RUSHING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	Yds-C	TDs
Jr.	Sam Webb, Gilbert Christian (2A)	1,988/180.7	13.43	20
Sr.	Michael Casillas, Morenci (2A)	1,936/138.3	7.71	32
Jr.	Elias Johnson, Tempe	1,451/145.1	8.59	15
Sr.	Marquez Smith, ALA-West Foothills	1,285/116.8	8.68	16
Jr.	Seth Baylon, Kingman	1,206/134.0	6.25	11
Sr.	Josh Jackson, San Tan Foothills	1,003/111.4	7.43	14
Sr.	Jovonte Wall, Coolidge	853/85.3	8.79	5
Sr.	Nash Brewer, Show Low	848/94.2	11.16	7
Jr.	Ayden Williams, ALA-Ironwood	827/103.4	6.89	11
Sr.	Mason Cade, Sabino	774/77.4	11.55	9

## RECEIVING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	Yds-R	TDs
So.	Bennett Juve, Gilbert Christian (2A)	952/86.5	23.80	13
Jr.	Shamar Berryhill, Sabino	936/78.0	19.10	16
Sr.	Savaughn Berryhill, Sabino	915/83.2	17.94	10
Sr.	Josh Morales, Paradise Honors	902/90.2	15.82	16
Sr.	Jaiden Lailson, Paradise Honors	800/72.7	20.51	9
Sr.	Deiontae Tyson, Odyssey Institute	750/83.3	17.86	8
Sr.	Gannon Young, Fountain Hills	711/71.1	19.75	8
Sr.	Wanya Brookshire, Coolidge	601/60.1	12.52	4
Sr.	Garrison Ast, Paradise Honors	553/50.3	13.82	5
Sr.	Jack Hayward, ALA-West Foothills	502/45.6	16.19	7

## TOTAL YARDS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total Yds	Yds-G
Sr.	QB	Gage Baker, Paradise Honors	3,943	358.5
Sr.	QB	Cameron Hackworth, Sabino	3,318	301.6
Sr.	QB	Bubba Mustain, Pusch Ridge	3,059	235.3
Sr.	QB	Nash Brewer, Show Low	2,383	216.6
Sr.	RB	Sam Webb, Gilbert Christian (2A)	2,246	204.2
Sr.	RB	Michael Casillas, Morenci (2A)	1,971	140.8
Jr.	QB	Ryker Marble, Round Valley	1,848	168.0
So.	QB	Joe Yoney Jr., Mohave	1,819	181.9
So.	QB	Luke Berlin, Blue Ridge	1,720	156.4
Jr.	RB	Elias Johnson, Tempe	1,700	170.0

## TACKLES

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total tackles	Tackles-G
Sr.	DE	Tristen Sanchez, Morenci (2A)	106	7.6
Jr.	OLB	Elias Johnson, Tempe	92	9.2
Jr.	LB	Maurice Glass, Coolidge	89	8.9
Sr.	LB	Hunter Bowman, Payson	83	8.3
Sr.	LB	Brett Jordan, Round Valley	82	7.5
Sr.	OLB	Kentrell Begay, Monument Valley	81	8.1
Sr.	LB	Austyn Nelson, Morenci	79	5.6
Sr.	LB	Jonathan Williams, Mohave	79	7.9
Sr.	DE	Bode Joncas, Paradise Honors	77	7.0
Sr.	FS	David Robbeloth, San Tan Foothills	75	7.5

## SACKS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total Sacks	Sacks-G
Sr.	DE	Tristen Sanchez, Morenci (2A)	23.5	1.7
Sr.	DE	Donovan Vozza, Morenci (2A)	15.0	1.1
Sr.	DT	Rudy Gonzalez, Winslow	13.0	1.3
Sr.	MLB	Jaylin Cody, Monument Valley	9.0	0.9
Sr.	LB	Josh Rich, Gilbert Christian (2A)	8.0	1.3
Sr.	DE	Tyler Smallcanyon, Monument Valley	7.0	0.6
Sr.	DT	Austyn Nelson, Morenci (2A)	6.5	0.5
Sr.	MLB	Canon Lipps, Fountain Hills	6.5	0.6
So.	LB	Karlo Harris, Blue Ridge	6.5	0.6
Sr.	LB	Kamron Jackson, Tempe	6.0	0.8

## INTERCEPTIONS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total INTs
Sr.	DB	Derek Saenz, Morenci (2A)	8
Sr.	DB	Sergio Madrid, Payson	6
Jr.	LB	Alijah Haliburton, Kingman	5
Sr.	DB	Jojo Ruelas, Safford	5
Sr.	FS	David Robbeloth, San Tan Foothills	5
Sr.	CB	Cole Yentsch, Safford	4
Sr.	LB	Andrew Mosqueda, Yuma	4
Sr.	OLB	Kentrell Begay, Monument Valley	4
Sr.	DB	Ryker Marble, Round Valley	4
Sr.	CB	Nash Brewer, Show Low	4



## 3A SCHEDULES

### ALA-Ironwood

08/18	vs Morenci	7:00 PM
08/25	vs Douglas	7:00 PM
09/01	at Gilbert Christian	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Sierra Linda	7:00 PM
09/15	at Coolidge	7:00 PM
09/22	at Benjamin Franklin	7:00 PM
09/29	vs Crismon	7:00 PM
10/13	at Tempe	7:00 PM
10/20	vs San Tan Foothills	7:00 PM
10/27	at Florence	7:00 PM

### ALA-West Foothills

08/18	vs Odyssey Institute	7:00 PM
08/24	vs Wickenburg	7:00 PM
09/01	at Mohave	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Peoria	7:00 PM
09/15	at Heritage Academy	7:00 PM
09/29	at Paradise Honors	7:00 PM
10/06	vs Yuma	7:00 PM
10/13	at Sabino	7:00 PM
10/20	at Kofa	7:00 PM
10/27	vs Dysart	7:00 PM

### Benjamin Franklin

08/18	at Crismon	7:00 PM
08/24	vs Coolidge	7:00 PM
09/01	at Pusch Ridge	7:00 PM
09/08	at Arcadia	7:00 PM
09/15	vs Bourgade Catholic	7:00 PM
09/22	vs ALA-Ironwood	7:00 PM
09/29	at Tempe	7:00 PM
10/13	vs Florence	7:00 PM
10/20	vs Gilbert Christian	7:00 PM
10/27	at Valley Christian	7:00 PM

### Blue Ridge

08/18	vs Monument Valley	7:00 PM
08/25	vs St. Johns	7:00 PM
09/01	at Window Rock	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Mingus Union	7:00 PM
09/15	at Morenci	7:00 PM
09/22	at Safford	7:00 PM
09/29	at Fountain Hills	7:00 PM
10/13	vs Payson	7:00 PM
10/20	at Show Low	7:00 PM
10/27	vs Round Valley	7:00 PM

### Bourgade Catholic

08/18	vs Mohave	7:00 PM
08/25	at Fountain Hills	7:00 PM
09/01	vs Chino Valley	7:00 PM
09/07	vs Washington	7:00 PM
09/15	at Benjamin Franklin	7:00 PM
09/29	at Florence	7:00 PM
10/06	vs Valley Christian	7:00 PM
10/13	at Gilbert Christian	7:00 PM
10/20	vs Tempe	7:00 PM
10/27	at San Tan Foothills	7:00 PM

### Chinle

08/18	at Kingman	7:00 PM
08/25	at Alcheyay	7:00 PM
09/01	vs Many Farms	7:00 PM
09/15	vs Window Rock	7:00 PM
09/22	at Odyssey Institute	7:00 PM
09/29	at Monument Valley	7:00 PM
10/05	vs Winslow	7:00 PM
10/13	vs St. Johns	7:00 PM
10/20	vs Ganado	7:00 PM
10/27	at Page	7:00 PM

### Chino Valley

08/18	at Page	7:00 PM
08/25	at Kingman Academy	7:00 PM
09/01	at Bourgade Catholic	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Maryvale	7:00 PM
09/22	at Payson	7:00 PM
09/29	vs Mohave	7:00 PM
10/06	vs Kingman	7:00 PM
10/13	vs Window Rock	7:00 PM
10/20	at Wickenburg	7:00 PM
10/27	at River Valley	7:00 PM

### Coolidge

08/18	vs Sabino	7:00 PM
08/24	at Benjamin Franklin	7:00 PM
09/01	vs Santa Cruz Valley	7:00 PM
09/08	at Combs	7:00 PM
09/15	vs ALA-Ironwood	7:00 PM
09/22	at Florence	7:00 PM
09/29	at La Joya	7:00 PM
10/06	at San Tan Foothills	7:00 PM
10/13	vs Pusch Ridge	7:00 PM
10/27	vs Crismon	7:00 PM

### Crismon

08/18	vs Benjamin Franklin	7:00 PM
08/25	at Thatcher	7:00 PM
09/01	at Sabino	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Vista Grande	7:00 PM
09/15	at Gilbert Christian	7:00 PM
09/22	vs Winslow	7:00 PM
09/29	at ALA-Ironwood	7:00 PM
10/13	vs San Tan Foothills	7:00 PM
10/20	vs Florence	7:00 PM
10/27	at Coolidge	7:00 PM

### Dysart

08/18	vs San Tan Foothills	7:00 PM
08/25	at River Valley	7:30 PM
09/01	vs Shadow Mountain	7:00 PM
09/07	at Paradise Honors	7:00 PM
09/15	at Greenway	7:00 PM
09/29	at Yuma	7:00 PM
10/06	vs Kofa	7:00 PM
10/13	vs Page	7:00 PM
10/20	vs Odyssey Institute	7:00 PM
10/27	at ALA-West Foothills	7:00 PM

### Florence

08/18	vs Gilbert Christian	7:00 PM
08/25	at Valley Christian	7:00 PM
09/01	vs Safford	7:00 PM
09/08	at San Tan Foothills	7:00 PM
09/15	at Rio Rico	7:00 PM
09/22	vs Coolidge	7:00 PM
09/29	vs Bourgade Catholic	7:00 PM
10/13	at Benjamin Franklin	7:00 PM
10/20	at Crismon	7:00 PM
10/27	vs ALA-Ironwood	7:00 PM

### Fountain Hills

08/18	at Kofa	7:00 PM
08/25	vs Bourgade Catholic	7:00 PM
09/01	at Camp Verde	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Marcos de Niza	7:00 PM
09/15	at Payson	7:00 PM
09/21	vs Gilbert Christian	7:00 PM
09/29	vs Blue Ridge	7:00 PM
10/06	at Show Low	7:00 PM
10/13	at Morenci	7:00 PM
10/20	vs Round Valley	7:00 PM

### Ganado

08/18	vs Wickenburg	7:00 PM
09/01	at Hopi	7:00 PM
09/08	at Tuba City	7:00 PM
09/15	at Winslow	7:00 PM
09/22	vs River Valley	7:00 PM
09/29	at Page	6:00 PM
10/06	vs Monument Valley	7:00 PM
10/13	at Round Valley	7:00 PM
10/20	at Chinle	7:00 PM
10/27	vs Window Rock	7:00 PM

### Gilbert Christian

08/18	at Florence	7:00 PM
08/25	at Arizona Lutheran	7:00 PM
09/01	vs ALA-Ironwood	7:00 PM
09/08	vs Kingman	7:00 PM
09/15	vs Crismon	7:00 PM
09/21	at Fountain Hills	7:00 PM
09/29	at Valley Christian	7:00 PM
10/13	vs Bourgade Catholic	7:00 PM
10/20	at Benjamin Franklin	7:00 PM
10/27	vs Tempe	7:00 PM

### Kingman

08/18	vs Chinle	7:00 PM
08/25	at Kofa	7:00 PM
09/01	vs Kingman Academy	7:00 PM
09/08	at Gilbert Christian	7:00 PM
09/15	vs Mohave	7:00 PM
09/22	vs Monument Valley	7:00 PM
09/29	at River Valley	7:00 PM
10/06	at Chino Valley	7:00 PM
10/12	at Winslow	7:00 PM
10/27	vs Wickenburg	7:00 PM



<b>Kofa</b>		
08/18	vs Fountain Hills	7:00 PM
08/25	vs Kingman	7:00 PM
09/01	at Antelope Union	7:00 PM
09/08	at River Valley	7:00 PM
09/15	vs Yuma	7:00 PM
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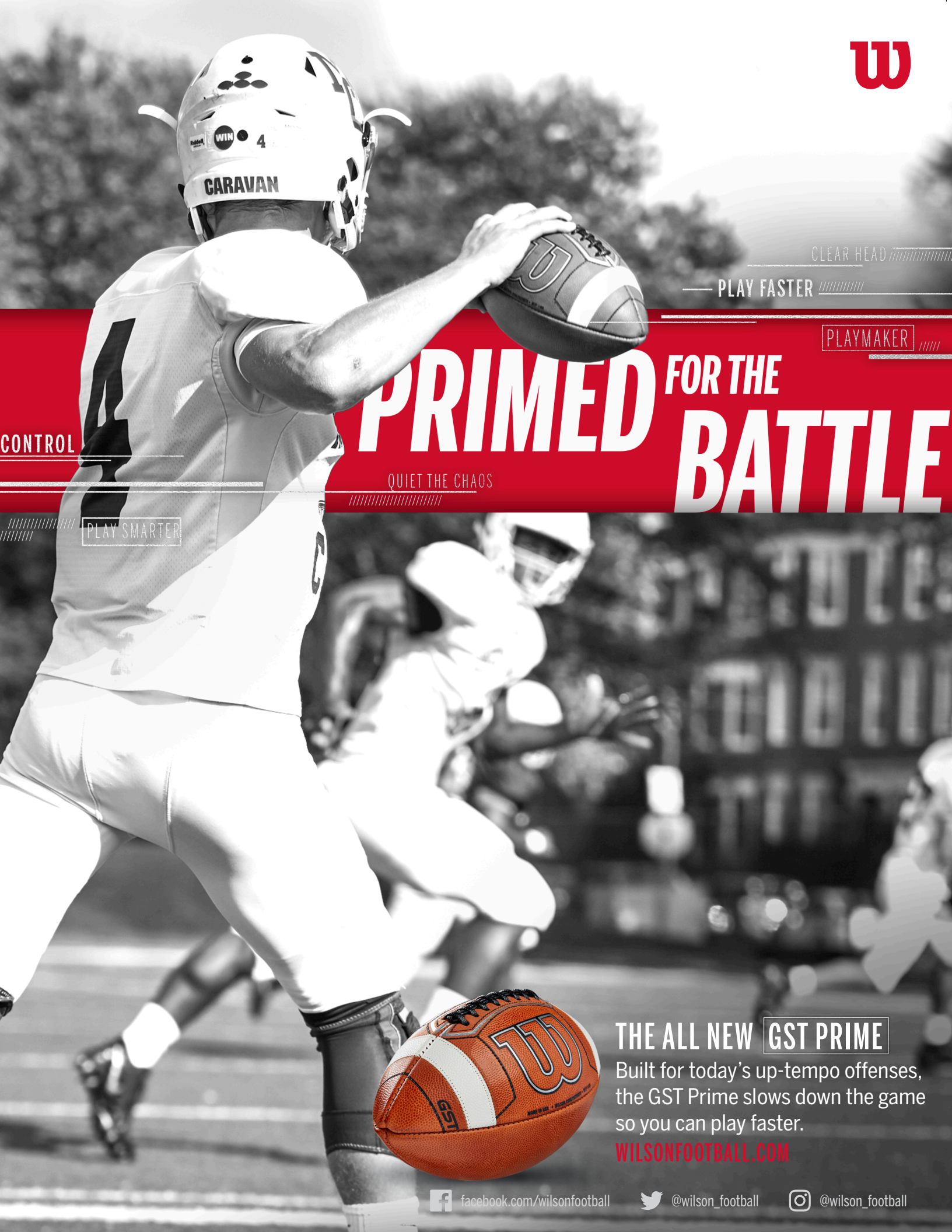
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# 2A CONFERENCE FOOTBALL PRESEASON RANKINGS



*Pima starts the season where it left off after 2022 -- at the top. (Mark Jones photo/MaxPreps)*

**By Jose Garcia**  
**AZPreps365.com**

**1. PIMA:** Head coach Josh Wilkins doesn't expect much of a drop off from the defending champ, not with likely the No. 1 defense in 2A. Some of that unit's muscle belongs to down linemen Brock Haws, Jeremiah Martinez and Pepper Hughes as well as the non-stop motor of MLB Tuddy Smart. With Martinez and Smart also contributing in the backfield along with the dynamic Jaxon Jon, the Roughriders' run game is in good hands. Pocket passer Rhett Hughes, the grand nephew of former championship coach Jim Hughes, is the new QB. Circle Sept. 1 on the calendar. That's when the No. 1 meets the next team in the rankings.

**2. SCOTTSDALE CHRISTIAN:** The Eagles welcomed coach Mike Sheahan back to their nest, 10 years after he was an assistant at the school. After serving the last eight years at Notre Dame Prep, the spirited Sheahan will operate one of 2A's potent passing attacks, piloted by QB Jack Atkinson. WR Caeden Murphy and twin brothers Andrew (WR/KR), who is on the cusp of landing offers, and Jacob Trapp (RB/LB) are Atkinson's main targets. The mainstay of the o-line the last couple of years, Sr. C Luke Richardson, returns. We're about to find out just how much the experienced defense, which gave up a ton of points in last year's semis, has grown.

**3. ARIZONA LUTHERAN:** The team was in 3A last year, but this isn't its first trek in 2A. What is new are some of the down linemen who'll see time on both sides of the ball. If the trench men click, good luck catching the three-headed monster of QB Jorge Lomeli, RB Gideon Enter and RB Rylan Bass. Its Double Wing-T is a program staple and capable of producing three 1,000 yard rushers this season. The RB depth will allow Enter, the team's returning leading tackler, to catch his breath. Elijah Harris also figures to get his share of carries.

**4. WILLCOX:** Yes, it graduated 3,500-plus rushing yards from last year's state semifinal team. But the Cowboys restocked their stables with more backfield bruisers, Remington Todd and Ismael Cuevas. Plus, they return three-year starting QB Kash Macumber, a three-year starter at safety as well, and everybody on the O-line except for one player. The Cowboys will know immediately where they stand after opening their season against ranked Arizona Lutheran, Tonopah Valley and Show Low. This season will mark the return of one of the team's leaders, lineman Bryson Kibler, who survived a life-threatening bout with COVID.

**5. SAN TAN CHARTER:** In Year 2, after establishing a new culture last year under a new regime, the athletes and leadership are present to achieve its objective of hosting and winning its first ever playoff game. Itching for his first playoff win is three-year starter Zayden Neill. The athletic QB with two D-I offers has a chance to break the 2A completion career record (598). With D-I-



bound ATH Uriah Neloms (6-3, 180) and WR Daniel Dippre, who also has a chance to set 2A career records, also in the lineup, the skill players can help offset the lack of line size.

**6. CAMP VERDE:** Winning its first postseason games in 11 years didn't satisfy the team last season. To help address some of last year's defensive deficiencies, Gronwald hired a good friend, Ronnie Jorgenson, to work with the defensive line. Next, Camp Verde hit the weight room, doubling its participation compared to the previous year. "Brick by brick" said Gronwald about his building project. The defense this year may start 11 seniors and will welcome one of its two lockdown corners back from injury, Jordan Williams. The other shutdown CB/WR, the athletic Christian Sanabria, and QB Tyson Buckley, are prepping to fire up their air-raid show once again.

**7. SANTA CRUZ VALLEY:** The training wheels are off. It's time for last year's youngsters to prove that they can indeed carry the torch for one of the state's tradition-rich programs. QB Nathan Harris, one of eight sophomores who started last year, is accurate, super smart and more comfortable running the team, Santa Cruz coach and alum Thomas Cortez reports. The short but gritty Jonathan Ramos (Jr. RB) also will be a focal point of the offense. The lines are loaded with experience and size. Just ask G/DT Kukailani Kalani and OT/DT Christian Moreno.

**8. TONOPAH VALLEY:** Brett Davis' pass-happy offense fits his jovial personality. "I don't have any gray hair," he said about the fun he's having while running a variation of the run-and-shoot with great success. Last year, in Davis' first year in AZ, his team

won a region title and a playoff game with the help of two QBs who each threw at least 25 touchdowns. One of the signal-callers was a fearless freshman with a strong passing arm, smarts and quick release, Malachi Wilt. The cool names on the team belong to some of its best athletes, Sir-Izzik Sanchez Caldwell, Robert Escarcega IV, Najea Cooper and Dyllon Goodall. Depth won't be an issue, so don't expect much platooning by the players.

**9. SHADOW MOUNTAIN:** The origin story for the Matadors donning a top-10 preseason cape begins with them going 0-10 two years ago. That's when they had 18 sophomores. But last year, the program opened 4-0 for only the second time in its previous 48 seasons. It eventually ended 5-5 and moved to 2A. Its starting QB and second leading rusher opted not to play this year. But one of its best athletes, Joey Meyn, will step in at QB, and its 1,000-yard rusher, a much stronger Tavares Allen, returns.

**10. BENSON:** Benson is back in 2A after last year's 3A foray, and the stripes on the Bobcats have changed. They are now a much more balanced team offensively and returned to 2A with a different boss, second-year coach Dustin Cluff. Cluff, who played for former Show Low coach Bill Morgan and won a title in 1999, returns a very savvy and strong-armed QB in Dalton Crockett. In his second year as the starter, Crockett will share the spotlight with backs Flint Davis and Andrew Workman, who is healthy and ready to prove himself at ILB as well. WR Kohen Frost is Crockett's No. 1 target. The skill players have to lead while the young lines gain experience.



*Camp Verde, with QB Tyson Buckley, is trying to make it three postseason appearances in a row. (Mark Jones photo/MaxPreps)*



# 2A CONFERENCE FOOTBALL TEAM-BY-TEAM PREVIEW



*Willcox has made it one postseason round further each season for three straight seasons. State title game in 2023? (Charlie Ramirez photo/MaxPreps)*

**By Jose Garcia**  
**AZPreps365.com**

## LITTLE COLORADO REGION

### Piñon

**Head coach:** Steve Saban.

**Years as school's coach:** 2.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 9.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 9.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB Silas Kaye 5-7, 150; Sr. WR Cory Ben WR, 5-11, 175; Sr. DL Pharrell Tsosie 5-10, 255; Jr. RB Harrison Crosby 6-1, 205; So. QB Josh Manuelito QB, 5-11, 180.

### Tuba City

**Head coach:** Vincent Lee.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 5/10-20.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 10.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** Jr. OL Jayden Werito 5-11, 220; Jr. C Tayshaun Nez 6-0, 225; Jr. MLB/TE Darian Begaye 5-10, 190; So. QB Kollin Posey 5-10, 185; So. DB/WR Ryann Benally 5-9 155.

**Team's biggest question marks:** How will a very athletic but young defense fair at the varsity level? Who will step up at the QB position to lead a potentially explosive offense? Are we going to take a step forward as a program and have a winning season?

**Team expectations:** Consistency. Every year we have improved our win total and finished last season at 5-5. The expectation is to continue to improve and challenge ourselves to be more consistent and win more games. The expectation is a winning record.

**Beyond the numbers:** Tyrelle Begay had a potential career ending injury playing basketball but is making a phenomenal recovery and is hoping to play football this season, his senior year. Jayden Werito is a player who totally transformed his body and character through football and is becoming a great young man.

**Region notes:** Greyhills Academy will field a team for the first time since 2019. ... Holbrook went 11-1 last year but graduated all of its top offensive skills players and will bring in a new coach. So. Simeon Shaw (6 TD receptions in 2022) and Jr. Noah Padilla (86 tackles last year) do return, though. ... Hopi went from 0-6 two years ago to 6-4 last year. ... Many Farms went 2-7 last year but only had eight seniors. ... Red Mesa went 1-8 in 2022 but only lost six players on its 37 man roster. ... Valley (Sanders) only had 13 players on its roster last year, but that didn't keep So. Casey Tso from scoring five TDs.

## SAN PEDRO REGION

### Benson

**Head coach:** Dustin Cluff.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/5-6.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Dalton Crockett 6-2, 205; Sr. WR Kohen Frost 5-10, 170; Sr. HB Tristan Goodwin 5-11, 175; Sr. LB Liam Cluff 5-10, 175; Sr. OT William Essenmacher 5-11, 190.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Bouncing back from a brutal 3A schedule against power house programs Thatcher, Pusch Ridge, Sabino, and Safford.

**Team expectations:** Our goal is to win the 2A state championship, win our region and be undefeated.

### Bisbee

**Head coach:** Shawn Holley.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Jr. QB/DB Sebastian Lopez 6-2, 140; Jr. RB/LB Bryceton Meyer 6-0, 170; Sr. WR/DB Juan Pablo Navarro 5-9, 140; Jr. WR/OLB Michael Coronado 6-1, 150; So. OL/DE Fabian Hernandez 6-0, 210.



**Team's biggest question marks:** How fast can we get the offensive line up to speed? How will we fair with a new system on both offense and defense?

**Team expectations:** I expect our team to get better as the season progresses. I believe we can finish top-3 in the region and make the playoffs.

**Beyond the numbers:** Sebastian Lopez is our leader and has been a two-year starter. He has great insight about his teammates, and he's hungry for success.

#### Catalina

**Head coach:** Greg McKinstry.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Offensive line, defense.

#### Palo Verde

**Head coach:** Jamal Chatman.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/2-8.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 4.

**Key returning players:** Sr. LB/WR Marshall McElroy 6-0, 155; Jr. OL/LB Gabriel Pratoomratana 5-7, 195; Jr. OL/DL Samuel Felix 5-8, 202.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Experience, numbers.

**Team expectations:** We are excited to have the opportunity to play.

#### Tanque Verde

**Head coach:** Jeff Bollnow.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB/DB Grayson Bradshaw; Sr. RB/LB Gavin Gilbert; Sr. TE/DE Eli Clausen; Jr. OL/DE Carter Filip; Jr. WR/DB Delon Harrison.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Depth.

#### Willcox

**Head coach:** Eric Hjalmarson.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3/21-9.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB/FS Kash Macumber, 5-10 170; Sr. OL/LB Ed Tingle 5-11, 215; Sr. Alec Fuentes TE/SS 5-9, 160.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Can we replace 3,000 yards of rushing?

**Team expectations:** We expect to be a playoff team.

**Beyond the numbers:** Bryson Kibler was on life support for several days during the 2021-22 season. He did not play last year but is ready to be a starting offensive and defensive player.

*Region notes: Catalina hasn't scored many points in the last two years, but it did more than double its roster size (61) this year.*

### VERDE REGION

#### Madison Highland

**Head coach:** Bruce Fuller.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 8/21-45.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 9.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Joseph Lungo 6-0, 180; Sr. RB Josh Hutchins 5-7, 150; Sr. LB Alex Razo 5-7, 180; Sr. C Cesar Guillen 5-6, 260; Jr. WR Keandre Howerzle 6-3, 170.

**Team's biggest question marks:** O-line, special teams. Can we take advantage of our experience and build off the success of last season?

**Team expectations:** With a big senior class and most of them being in the program for the past three years, we are looking to go for the 2A state title this season.

**Beyond the numbers:** QB Joseph Lungo is a converted rugby player who was our kicker his first year. He took over at QB his sophomore year and has become one of the best QBs in 2A.

#### Scottsdale Christian

**Head coach:** Mike Sheahan.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** Sr. WR/KR Andrew Trapp 5-11, 185; Sr. QB Jack Atkinson 6-4, 195; Sr. RB/LB Jacob Trapp 5-11, 175; Sr. WR/S Caeden Murphy 6-2, 175; Sr. C Luke Richardson 5-9, 250.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Can the defense step up this year? Can a first-year HC take them to the next level? Can the high-powered offense stay consistent?

**Team expectations:** The expectations are very high. The sky is the limit for this group. If we can mesh fast and build on the success of years past, we can be tough to beat.

#### Scottsdale Prep

**Head coach:** David Primavera.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 6/32-25.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 2.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** Sr. MLB Andrew Kulhan 6-0, 205; Jr. QB Judah Mizysak.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Replacing our entire starting offensive and defensive lines.

**Team expectations:** Hoping to compete for a region title and a playoff berth.

**Beyond the numbers:** Judah Mizysak is a homeschool student who has decided to play football at SPA.



Scottsdale Christian WR Andrew Trapp (Chris Stanley photo/MaxPreps)



### Shadow Mountain

**Head coach:** Ron Fagan.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 6/14-44.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 9.

**Key returning players:** Sr. OL/DL Samu Na'a 5-10, 275; Jr. RB/S Tavares Allen 5-7, 175; Sr. WR/CB Mateo Hernandez 5-10, 165; Sr. WR/S Joey Meyn 6-0, 165; Sr. WR/S Arturo Nubez 5-10, 170.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Depth. Most players play both ways. O-line looks to be better. Only time will tell. Passing game has to be more productive.

**Team expectations:** Playoffs.

**Beyond the numbers:** Samu Na'a is just a great young man. TJ Allen is a great RB and team player. Mateo Hernandez is also great young man, a total team guy who can out work anyone.

### Valley Lutheran

**Head coach:** Jason Stanfield Sr.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB Jason Stanfield 5-11, 190; Sr. OL Hunter Boyajian 6-1, 270; Sr. LB Jacob Boyajian 6-3, 220; Sr. Xavier Espinoza 5-7, 150; So. Ethan Brown 5-10, 150.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Growth and maturity as we grow into a playoff team.

### Veritas Prep

**Head coach:** Jason Black.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 7/31-28.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** Sr. WR Casen Lentz 6-2, 200; Sr. OL Jared Barrett 6-6, 240; Sr. RB Max Kaminski 5-11, 225; Jr. Tico Lentz 5-10, 175.

**Team's biggest question marks:** New faces in new places. Depth at line.

**Team expectations:** Make the playoffs and stick around beyond the first Friday.

**Beyond the numbers:** Haitian native Tico Lentz and his sister were adopted by one of our stalwart families.

*Region notes: Coronado coach Rick Benjamin's ranks were thin last year, when it went winless, but Benjamin will attempt to turn things around in his second year.*

## GILA REGION

### Arizona Lutheran

**Head coach:** David Peter.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 8/55-30.

**Potential milestone:** 150 overall coaching victories.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB/LB Gideon Enter 5-8, 195; Sr. RB/DB Rylan Bass 6-2, 175; Sr. QB/DB Jorge Lomeli 6-1, 170; Jr. RB/LB Elijah Harris 5-10, 175; Sr. RB/DB Jerren Vaughn 5-10, 180.

**Team's biggest question marks:** We graduate four of our starting OL, so we will need to grow up quick. Depth is always a question.

**Team expectations:** I expect our linemen to take some time to catch up to our skill players. When that happens we will be a solid and well-rounded team. More importantly, we need to remember what makes great teams. It's not the players or the coaches; it's the relationships.

**Beyond the numbers:** Jorge Lomeli is a four sport athlete and missed 2/3 of last season with a broken collarbone. But he was a great team leader despite being injured. He was very helpful with our other two quarterbacks. Recently, he represented ALA at the last AIA student leadership summit.

### Parker

**Head coach:** Jeff Wheatley.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/2-8.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Jr. OLB/TE Adrian Valdez 5-11, 185; Sr. OL/DL Elijah Fisher 5-11, 235; So. LB/RB Hayden Stallman 5-9, 180; Jr. DB/RB Marc Lao 5-5, 130; Jr. QB Maddix Young 6-1, 160.

**Team's biggest question marks:** We have a young group that needs to continue to grow together. Offensive and defensive line depth.

**Team expectations:** Compete for a conference championship and give ourselves a chance in the playoffs.

### San Pasqual

**Head coach:** Miguel Rivas.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 4.

**Key returning players:** WR/S Isaiah Martinez 6-1, 150; TE/DE Dasan Lynch 6-4, 220; G/DE Elias Espinoza 6-1, 260; G/MLB Alonzo Ramos 6-0, 240; Devin Golding WR/CB 5-11, 150.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Quarterback, number of players, eligibility.

**Team expectations:** 5-5 season.

**Beyond the numbers:** Isaiah Martinez is a good student and works hard on and off the field.

### St. John Paul II

**Head coach:** John Padilla.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 5/24-29-2.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 9.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 9.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB/DB Ayden Rojas 6-0, 185; Sr. OL/LB Dylan Omos 5-11, 215; Sr. RB/DB Layne Dickens 5-10, 175; Sr. OL/DL Manuel Gonzalez 5-9, 200; Jr. RB/LB Santiago Ojeda 5-10, 165.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Stay healthy. Increase our numbers.

**Team expectations:** After losing five starters to season-ending injuries that required surgeries, we look to rebound. Many younger players had to step up and gained valuable playing time.

**Beyond the numbers:** Our four seniors, Dylan Olmos, Ayden Rojas, Oscar Aviles, and Hayden Umbdenstock, missed last season because of injuries.





*Tonopah Valley WR Sir-Izzik Caldwell (Steve Paynter photo/MaxPreps)*

### **Tonopah Valley**

**Head coach:** Brett Davis.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/10-2.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 3.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** Malachi Wilt; Sir-Izzik Caldwell; Robert Escarcega; Najea Cooper; Dyllon Goodall.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Youth, experience.

**Team expectations:** Battle to repeat as region champions, be the top offensive team in 2A, play physical defense.

**Beyond the numbers:** Malachi Wilt is a top young up-and-coming QB with a great character and mentality. Senior Martin Quiñonez is small but mighty and a great student, family guy, a leader, and a multi-sport athlete.

### **Trivium Prep**

**Head coach:** Stephen Hemming.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2/6-4.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Jr. QB/LB Vern Wolfley IV 6-0, 195; So. WR/LB Matthew Lee 6-0, 190; Sr. OL/DL Gannon McMillan 6-1, 220; Sr. OL/DL Caedon MacDonald 5-10 230; Jr. TE/LB Zachary Eckert 5-11, 180.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Can we continue to improve with a slightly bigger roster? Will our strong schedule be a benefit for us, or will it hurt us? How far can our OL take us? Only losing one starter. Lots of potential and experience returning.

**Team expectations:** We are expecting to make the playoffs and have a chance to be a contender. I believe we have a chance to win a playoff game and compete all year long.

**Beyond the numbers:** Vern Wolfley IV was a team captain as a sophomore, became the QB halfway through the year, went 3-1 in final 4 games, and was an all-state honorable mention player.

*Region notes:* Sr. DB Andrew Arevalo averaged 15.1 tackles per game last year for Antelope.

## **BLACK REGION**

### **ALA-Anthem South**

**Head coach:** Kent Anderson.

**Years as school's coach/record:** First-year varsity program.

**Key players:** Jr. ATH Jerry Beck 6-0, 175; Jr. S Trace White 6-2, 170; Sr. LB Logan Nadratowski 6-0, 200; Jr. WR Landon Medrano 5-10, 165; Jr. DE Aaron Wanjala 6-5, 255.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Being a new school, everything is a question mark. Even though our 2A numbers are low as far as players, staying healthy will be important. Enrollment is about 240 students. The majority of players are new to the game.

**Team expectations:** We seek to compete in the Black Region of 2A football. We have some athletes on the roster.

**Beyond the numbers:** As far as stories, I believe we have some work to do to earn that. We will be a young team. We have three seniors on the team. We have some talented freshmen who will probably get some playing time.

### **Globe**

**Head coach:** Talmage Hansen.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2/5-14.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Jr. C/DL Jaxson Olmtead 6-1, 280; Sr. T/DL Kevin Martin 6-4, 296; So. QB/DB Jaeger Franco 5-9, 180; Jr. RB/DB Trentin Goss 5-9, 137; Jr. WR/DB Esteban Garcia 5-8, 136.

**Team expectations:** I expect us to be more competitive than last year and get our program back to .500.

### **Miami**

**Head coach:** Brandon Powell.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 7/35-24.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 3.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 4.

**Key returning players:** Jr. QB Abram Castaneda; So. Noah Combs; DE Nick Curiel.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Very few returners.

**Team expectations:** Just want to get better as the season moves on.

### **Pima**

**Head coach:** Josh Wilkins.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2/13-1.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. ATH Jaxon Jon 6-0, 180; Sr. MLB/RB Tuddy Smart 6-0, 180; Sr. RB/S Hayden Blair 5-7, 150; Sr. Pepper Hughes; Sr. Sam Ray; Jr. Brock Haws; Jr. Jeremiah Martinez.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Replacing size with technique at skill positions. Young line. Early strength of schedule.

**Team expectations:** Same system for the past five years. We should be able to get to full speed fast and then continue to improve.

**Beyond the numbers:** Jaxon Jon is a four-year player, three-year starter, regional player of the year, state offensive player of the year, and deadly with the ball anytime he touches it. Pepper Hughes, Brock Haws and Jeremiah Martinez play on a defensive line that will be relentless. They all have strength, speed and a nose for the ball. Tuddy Smart is a three-year starter, middle line-backer who has led the team in tackles every year.



*Region notes: Alchesay is aiming for its seventh consecutive winning season. ... Harding Haozous is listed as the new head coach of San Carlos on the AIA's web site. ... St. Johns reached the playoffs last year despite having only 23 players on its roster. Thirty-seven players are listed on this year's roster.*

## AGUA FRIA REGION

### Cortez

**Head coach:** Daniel Hopper.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3/6-17.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 9.

**Key returning players:** Jr. RB/LB Michael Anthony 5-10, 175; Sr. RB/S Brendan Barnes 5-10, 165; Sr. QB/S Dominique Drake 5-11, 160; Sr. OL/DL Andres Varela 6-2, 230; Sr. OL/DL Adam Bryson 6-0, 205.

**Team expectations:** To continue to build the program through strong desire, devotion and discipline in the community, school, team, and self.

**Beyond the numbers:** Michael Anthony is a hard-running athlete with a nose for the ball. He has multiple team awards and became a varsity starter as a freshman. He was the leading rusher and tackler as a sophomore and continues to work hard. He has a strong desire to continue to improve the team as well as individually. He is devoted to the program and displays high character and discipline. He is a three-sport athlete.

### Highland Prep

**Head coach:** Jason Shaw.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/5-5.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** So. RB Ka'lel Pickens 5-8, 150; Sr. OL/DL Frankie Palomares 6-3, 300; Sr. DB Jordan Netherly 6-1, 160; So. DL Liam Coye 5-11, 150; So. WR Isaack Villa 5-9, 140.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Youth, QB competition, kicker.

**Team expectations:** Compete in every game. Compete for a region title.

**Beyond the numbers:** Sr. WR/OLB Isaiah Gomez is a great kid and student-athlete. He has great potential and is a very hard worker on and off the field. He comes from an incredible family as well.

### Kingman Academy

**Head coach:** Sean Windecker.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 9.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Casen Short 5-9, 175; Jr. OL Dustin Sealy 6-5, 255; Sr. WR/LB Mason Anderson 6-0, 195; Jr. TE/DE Gunner Steed 6-4, 220.

**Team's biggest question marks:** How good will our freshmen be? Will our new defensive system work? With the changes made to the offense, how dynamic will it be?

**Team expectations:** To have fun and win a lot of games.

**Beyond the numbers:** QB Casen Short is an all-around amazing young man. His passion and drive are infectious. He is the driving force to our potential success. Coach Sean Windecker retired from the military, works at a homeless shelter and lives in a different state two hours away. "I still have time to be there for each and every kid on this team no matter what," he said.



*Cortez QB/DB Dominique Drake (Steve Paynter photo/MaxPreps)*

### Mountainside

**Head coach:** Chris Duane.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2/3-13.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 11.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 11.

**Key returning players:** WR/DB Siami Osuna 5-11, 150; OL/DL Norberto Reyes 5-10, 200; WR/DB Anthony Gonzales 6-1, 150; RB/CB Daniel Gregg 5-7, 160; OL/DL Alan Leyva 5-10, 210.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Consistency, depth.

**Team expectations:** Be in the hunt for the playoffs. First winning season.

**Beyond the numbers:** Alan Leyva is a great kid with good grades. Had never played until last year. Edgar Lechuga is a first-year player from Mexico. He does not speak English.

### North Pointe Prep

**Head coach:** Vance Phillips Jr.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/0-8.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Will there be a team?

**Beyond the numbers:** Coach Wilson is a multiple sport coach, mentor and teacher. Coach Phillips is a former D-I athlete who is trying to build a program to open doors for athletes to continue their education and open doors/opportunities for their families.

### Phoenix Christian

**Head coach:** Jason Kindred.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 4.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Xavier Sandoval 6-1, 165; Sr. WR Dominick Paris 6-3, 180; Sr. LB Aeden Flynn 5-10, 205; Sr. DL Pablo Hernandez 5-10, 185; Jr. DL Achilles Lopez 6-1, 260.

**Team's biggest question marks:** We are extremely young. Team culture. Number of players.

**Team expectations:** Get better every day.

**Beyond the numbers:** We were 1-9 last season. We believe this season is going to be something special.

*Region notes: Camp Verde won 10 games (two via forfeit) last year under first-year coach Aaron Gronwald. The last time it won 10 games was in 1989. ... Joshua McHale tallied 14 touchdowns as a freshman last year for Glendale Prep.*



## SALT REGION

### Chandler Prep

**Head coach:** Frank Peake.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3/11-9.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 9.

**Key returning players:** Sr. SR/C Creon Fulgham; Sr. RB/OLB AJ Robinson; Jr. C/NG Dymetri Olmedo; Sr. G/DT Adrian Decossio.

**Team's biggest question marks:** New QB this year. Who will fill Nolan Kemper's shoes? Depth at some positions.

**Team expectations:** We have elite level players at many positions and tough competition on our schedule. We want to build on our success from last year.

**Beyond the numbers:** Creon Fulgham is a sought after cornerback by several schools. He can take over a game. AJ Robinson has the speed and skills, especially at RB. Kody Dodson is a new QB. More than meets the eye with him.

### Heritage Academy

**Head coach:** Anthony Johns.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2/10-11.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Jr. QB Kaleb "Bubba" Burras; Jr. RB/DB Paul Soltero; Sr. LB/TE Raymond Grayson; Sr. OL/DL Diego Vizcarra; Sr. OL/DL Kyri Lewis.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Can we build off our previous season's success? How do we replace our lost offensive production? Can our inexperienced players step up for us?

**Team expectations:** Continue building off 2022 season's success. We went 8-2 after previously never winning more than 2 games in a season. Our players understand the hard work it takes to be a competitive football team. This has to become the standard now.

**Beyond the numbers:** Burras, a three-year starter, has been unbelievable so far, especially after getting thrown into the fire as a freshman. We could see last year as the season went on that he started to play better each week. He's quiet and reserved. Typically, QBs are very vocal leaders, and he's definitely more of a leader by example type. Lewis is one of the most outgoing players I have ever coached in 15 years. No matter what is going on, he is always smiling or laughing. He gets along with every player. He just wants to have a good time playing football. He's pretty darn good at it too.

### NFL Yet Prep

**Head coach:** Marcel Lopez.

**Overall years at the school:** 20.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Abel Ruiz 5-10, 168; Jr. RB/LB Jayden Fox 5-8, 170; Sr. WR/LB Adriel Medrano 6-1, 174; Jr. OL/DL Donovan Fabian 5-11, 215; Jr. OL/DL Diego Vargas 6-1, 305.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Understanding and implementing a new offense and defense. How are the incoming freshmen going to impact the program? Can we build a culture that will help us have sustained success?

**Team expectations:** We will compete at a high level in a tough region. Our young guys are going to have to step up and contribute early, and our seniors need to provide solid leadership for us to have success this season.

**Beyond the numbers:** Jayden Fox travels a great distance to attend our school because his family believes that NFL YET is the best place for him.

### San Tan Charter

**Head coach:** Chase Cartwright.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2/7-4.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Zayden Neill 6-3, 180; Jr. ATH Uriah Neloms 6-3, 180; Sr. WR Daniel Dippre 5-10, 165; Sr. RB/LB Mike Aguinaga 5-9, 165; Jr. LB Sam Sharpe 6-1, 210.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Replacing three senior starting offensive linemen from 2022. Taking the next step as a program and advancing beyond the first round of the AIA playoffs.

**Team expectations:** Our expectations as a program in 2023 are to continue building off of the core values we instilled last year. We pride ourselves in character, academics and relationships. We believe those three pillars have a direct correlation to our preparation and performance on the field Friday nights.

**Beyond the numbers:** Zayden Neill and Daniel Dippre are going to finish their careers on the all-time stat categories in their respective positions if they remain healthy and productive. Both will be four-year starters for us and are incredible young men, teammates and competitors. We expect big years from both of them.

### Santa Cruz Valley

**Head coach:** Thomas Cortez.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/5-4.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 10.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** JR. RB Jonathan Ramos 5-7, 170; Jr. LB Nicolas Manuel 6-0, 185; Sr. G/DT Kukailiani Kalani 6-0, 280; Sr. T/DT Christian Moreno 6-0, 295; Jr. QB Nathan Harris 6-1, 205.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Depth at all positions. Finding a place kicker.

**Team expectations:** Continue building on the culture and expectations that led to last year's second half success.

**Beyond the numbers:** Coaches Nico Flores and Emilio Cosillos played for me, went on to play college football and now are back at our alma mater coaching together. Senior Kukailiani Kalani battles with diabetes while being the hardest working o-lineman and heartbeat of the team.

### Sequoia Pathway

**Head coach:** Kerry Taylor.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 0.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 0.

**Key returning players:** So. Anthony Key 6-2, 270; Jr. Amare Chambers 6-2, 370; Fr. Myles Smith 6-1, 230; So. Azarious James 5-10, 175; Fr. Oscar Cervantes 5-9, 160.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Are our young players ready to play varsity? Who is going to be the go-to playmaker? Can we dominate physically?

**Team expectations:** Compete every game and watch our young players grow and mature throughout the season.

**Beyond the numbers:** Amare Chambers is probably the biggest kid in Arizona high school football. Brennan Fisher 6-0 330; Sr. RB/LB Mason Williams 5-9 180.

*Region notes: WR Matthew Evans led Arete Prep with six touchdowns last year.*



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**How's your summer going?**

I've been busy working. I took three days off after school and then went back to work.

**Training?**

No. I work at a dairy.

**What do you do there?**

We load trucks with milk and sort the crates that come back with the glass bottles. I've been working there for over a year.

**Sounds like a very tough job.**

The crates weigh probably about 20 pounds each and are stacked six high. When we are loading the pallets that go in the trucks, sometimes you have to pull six of those. So it's about 120 pounds you have to drag and then load in the trucks. You have to pace yourself because they are heavy. My brother (Liam), who's on the football team also, works there as well. We wake up at 5 a.m., go to work and end until the job is done at about 1 p.m. I want to save some money, so if I end up going to college and it's not fully paid for I want to be able to pay for that. And I like the job because it's physical. So I'm still working my body.

**Sounds like you and Liam are very close.**

Yes. We are pretty close. This will be his second year with the football program. He helps block for me. We always look forward to playing together. He's going to be on the offensive line this year for the first time. He's quick and knows how to block, and we read each other well.

**You have accomplished a lot at Arizona Lutheran, winning state titles in football and track and field. Take me back to 2021, when your school won the 2A football crown. What stood out to you about that championship season?**

In the title game I had a deep thigh bruise, so I didn't play as much. But I still got a touchdown and was pretty happy. In the semifinal, though, I did play and had a lot of highlight plays. In that game I had a breakaway run, which turned the game around. I found a gap and went up to hit a guy, trying to break through, and that's all I needed. He grabbed me, but then it felt like he just let go. I was really fired up and so was the team. It really got the blood flowing. The first few games of that season I didn't play. But a teammate got hurt, so that opened up a spot for me. I really tried to prove myself, and I did.

**Last year, your school was moved up to 3A. What was that one-year experience like?**

I feel like we got overconfident. We were coming off that title win and our mindset wasn't, I think, where we needed to be. We competed at that level but needed to have a different focus. Now that my classmates and I are seniors and moving back

to 2A, we have taken charge. We had some boys in our class who didn't want to play football, but we may have got a few of them to come out. We're excited about that, because they are bigger kids. I feel like this year our offensive line will be good. We'll have a great backfield. I feel like we can really compete in 2A.

**You are the team's returning leading tackler and 1,000-yard rusher. Are you an offensive player pitching in on defense, or vice versa?**

I'm an offensive player pitching in on defense. But I'd like to be almost evenly split, because I feel I can bring a lot to the table if I'm conditioned right. This year I've gained more weight. But my main focus right now is to get as fit as possible stamina wise. So I've been running a lot more. I have to be able to keep on going.

**What do you like the most about playing offense and defense?**

It's really the same answer for both. I love hitting people. When I'm a running back I can choose if I want to run somebody over or run around them. It's the same thing for defense. I just love hitting people. That's one of the main reasons I've gained weight.

**I've seen your head coach, David Peter, work the sidelines during games, and he seems to get the best out of his players all the time. What's it like playing for him?**

He's a tough coach when he needs to be but a loving coach all the time also. He brings God into our pregame, and lets us know that we are loved no matter what happens. It's all for the glory of God, and we can do anything if we work together.

**You also stay busy during the track and field season. What's your favorite event, the 100, 200, javelin or the 4 X 100?**

The 4 X 100 is my favorite. We've won the state title in that the past three years. I've ran it three times with the same football teammate, Jorge Lomeli, our starting quarterback. I love that event and want to win it one more time.

**What's the partnership like between you and Jorge?**

Jorge and I put a lot of trust in each other. In my first or second year, I was the starter and he was the second leg in the 4 X 100. So we had to have a lot of trust while passing the baton to each other. That has helped us throughout the years to create a stronger bond. It's the same on the football field. We both trust each other when he gets the ball in my hands, or when I have to protect him from a hit.

**If you could script it, what would be the perfect ending for you, Jorge and Arizona Lutheran this upcoming school year?**

If we got one more state championship in football and another in the 4 X 100, that would be perfect. And if we would go on to play college together, that would be great also.

—Jose Garcia, AZPreps365.com





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2022 2A RETURNING STAT

# LEADERS

Heritage Academy QB Kaleb "Bubba" Burras (Steve Paynter photo/MaxPreps)

San Tan Charter QB Zayden Neill (Steven Davis photo/MaxPreps)



Source: MaxPreps

## PASSING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	TDs/INT
Sr.	Tyson Buckley, Camp Verde	2,638/293.1	44/9
Sr.	Zayden Neill, San Tan Charter	2,479/225.4	28/5
So.	Malachi Wilt, Tonopah Valley	1,993/199.3	25/9
Sr.	Casen Short, Kingman Academy	1,774/197.1	17/12
Sr.	Jack Atkinson, Scottsdale Christian	1,707/189.7	30/2
Sr.	Joseph Lungo, Madison Highland	1,525/169.4	12/9
Sr.	Xavier Sandoval, Phoenix Christian	1,524/152.4	13/19
Jr.	Nathan Harris, Santa Cruz Valley	1,315/146.1	12/5
Jr.	Kaleb Burras, Heritage Academy	1,206/120.6	11/3
Jr.	DJ Elias, Tombstone	1,203/120.3	15/8

## SCORING

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Points	Pts/G	TDs
Jr.	WR/QB	Michael Anthony, Cortez	146	16.2	21
Sr.	WR	Christian Sanabria, Camp Verde	144	14.6	32
Sr.	WR	Creon Fulgham, Chandler Prep	118	11.8	19
Sr.	RB/WR	Rylan Bass, Arizona Lutheran	114	11.4	16
Sr.	WR	Daniel Dippre, San Tan Charter	114	10.4	13
Sr.	QB	Dominique Drake, Cortez	94.1	0.4	14
Sr.	QB	Joseph Lungo, Madison Highland	86	9.6	11
Sr.	RB	Adrian Robinson, Chandler Prep	84	8.4	14
Sr.	RB	Gideon Enter, Arizona Lutheran	82	8.2	11
Jr.	RB	Tavares Allen, Shadow Mountain	80	8.0	13

## RUSHING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	Yds-C	TDs
Sr.	Rylan Bass, Arizona Lutheran	1,368/136.8	8.66	14
Jr.	Michael Anthony, Cortez	1,300/144.4	12.04	21
Sr.	Gideon Enter, Arizona Lutheran	1,164/116.4	7.37	11
Sr.	Norien Banks, Sequoia Pathway	1,144/127.1	12.17	10
Sr.	Tavares Allen, Shadow Mountain	1,046/104.6	6.58	12
Sr.	Adrian Robinson, Chandler Prep	951/95.1	7.61	12
Jr.	Sebastian Lopez, Bisbee	836/83.6	7.60	10
Sr.	Joseph Lungo, Madison Highland	759/84.3	11.00	10
Sr.	Max Kaminski, Veritas Prep	623/62.3	4.91	9
Jr.	Jonathan Ramos, Santa Cruz Valley	609/67.7	7.00	3

## RECEIVING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	Yds-R	TDs
Sr.	Christian Sanabria, Camp Verde	1,301/144.6	18.32	24
Sr.	Andrew Trapp, Scottsdale Christian	894/68.8	19.02	3
Sr.	Daniel Dippre, San Tan Charter	858/78.0	15.32	13
Jr.	Sir-Izzik Sanchez Caldwell, Tonopah Valley	826/68.8	14.75	10
Sr.	Abel Ruiz, NFL Yet	699/77.7	18.40	9
Sr.	Frank Rhynard, Phoenix Christian	672/67.2	12.92	1
Sr.	Mason Anderson, Kingman Academy	666/74.0	20.18	5
Sr.	Caeden Murphy, Scottsdale Christian	621/47.8	20.70	3
Sr.	Caleb Martinez, Antelope Union	525/65.6	19.44	4
Jr.	Brendyn Downing, Tombstone	507/50.7	25.35	6

## TOTAL YARDS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total Yds	Yds-G
Sr.	QB	Tyson Buckley, Camp Verde	2,695	299.4
Sr.	QB	Zayden Neill, San Tan Charter	2,667	242.5
Sr.	QB	Joseph Lungo, Madison Highland	2,323	258.1
Sr.	QB	Casen Short, Kingman Academy	2,024	224.9
So.	QB	Malachi Wilt, Tonopah Valley	1,993	199.3
Jr.	QB	DJ Elias, Tombstone	1,761	176.1
Sr.	QB	Jack Atkinson, Scottsdale Christian	1,688	187.6
Sr.	RB	Rylan Bass, Arizona Lutheran	1,513	151.3
Jr.	QB	Sebastian Lopez, Bisbee	1,489	148.9
Sr.	QB	Dalton Crockett, Benson	1,455	181.9

## TACKLES

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total tackles	Tackles-G
Sr.	DB	Andrew Arevalo, Antelope Union	121	15.1
Sr.	MLB	Andrew Kulhan, Scottsdale Prep	100	9.1
So.	MLB	Alejandro Rivas, Tonopah Valley	98	8.2
Sr.	MLB	Tuddy Smart, Pima	93	7.2
Jr.	OLB	Andrew Griesemer, Tombstone	92	9.2
Sr.	MLB	Mason Anderson, Kingman Academy	87	9.7
Sr.	OLB	Norien Banks, Sequoia Pathway	87	9.7
Sr.	DB	Romello Silva, Antelope Union	86	10.8
So.	OLB	Fabian Hernandez, Bisbee	84	8.4
Sr.	MLB	Arturo Nubez, Shadow Mountain	81	8.1

## SACKS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total Sacks	Sacks-G
Sr.	MLB	Mason Anderson, Kingman Academy	26.0	2.9
Sr.	DE	Owen Anderson, Chandler Prep	18.5	1.8
Sr.	DT	Adrian De Cossio, Chandler Prep	9.0	1.0
So.	MLB	Liam Enter, Arizona Lutheran	8.5	1.1
Jr.	LB	Michael Anthony, Cortez	7.0	0.8
Sr.	DL	Kaedin Long, San Tan Charter	7.0	0.7
Jr.	LB	Michael Coronado, Bisbee	6.5	0.8
So.	LB	Daniel Contreras, Santa Cruz Valley	6.0	0.9
Sr.	OLB	Norien Banks, Sequoia Pathway	6.0	0.7
Sr.	MLB	Kyrese Banks, Sequoia Pathway	5.0	0.6

## INTERCEPTIONS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total INTs
Sr.	DB	Dominique Drake, Cortez	8
Sr.	DB	Caleb Martinez, Antelope Union	7
So.	FS	Baylor Arnold, Veritas Prep	6
Sr.	DB	Greylin Sia, Scottsdale Christian	5
Jr.	LB	Remington Todd, Willcox	5
So.	DB	Timi Akinyoyenu, Chandler Prep	5
Sr.	FS	Christian Sanabria, Camp Verde	4
Sr.	FS	Abel Ruiz, NFL Yet	4
Sr.	SS	Creon Fulgham, Chandler Prep	4
Sr.	FS	Caeden Murphy, Scottsdale Christian	4



## 2A SCHEDULES

### ALA-Anthem South

08/18	..... at Globe	7:00 PM
08/25	..... vs Arete Prep	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Tanque Verde	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Catalina	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Antelope Union	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Alchesay	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Pima	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs San Carlos	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at St. Johns	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Miami	7:00 PM

### Alchesay

08/25	..... vs Chinle	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Valley (Sanders)	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Red Mesa	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at San Carlos	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at ALA-Anthem South	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Miami	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Sequoia Pathway	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Pima	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Globe	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs St. Johns	7:00 PM

### Antelope Union

08/25	..... vs Palo Verde	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Kofa	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at North Pointe Prep	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at ALA-Anthem South	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Parker	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at San Pasqual Valley	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Arizona Lutheran	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs St. John Paul II	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Tonopah Valley	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Trivium Prep	7:00 PM

### Arete Prep

08/18	..... vs Chandler Prep	7:00 PM
08/25	..... at ALA-Anthem South	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Globe	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Glendale Prep	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Santa Cruz Valley	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Sequoia Pathway	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs NFL Yet	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Heritage Academy	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Coronado	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs San Tan Charter	7:00 PM

### Arizona Lutheran

08/18	..... at Willcox	7:00 PM
08/25	..... vs Gilbert Christian	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Camp Verde	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Parker	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs San Pasqual Valley	7:00 PM
09/28	..... at Trivium Prep	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Antelope Union	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Tonopah Valley	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Miami	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at St. John Paul II	7:00 PM

### Benson

08/18	..... vs Bisbee	7:00 PM
08/25	..... at Phoenix Christian	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Morenci	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Shadow Mountain	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Tombstone	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Palo Verde	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Santa Rita	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Catalina	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Willcox	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Tanque Verde	7:00 PM

### Bisbee

08/18	..... at Benson	7:00 PM
08/25	..... vs Madison Highland	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Douglas	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Santa Cruz Valley	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Catalina	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Willcox	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Palo Verde	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Tanque Verde	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Tombstone	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Santa Rita	7:00 PM

### Camp Verde

08/25	..... vs Scottsdale Christian	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Fountain Hills	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Arizona Lutheran	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Mountainside	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Kingman Academy	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Phoenix Christian	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Cortez	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Glendale Prep	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Highland Prep	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs North Pointe Prep	7:00 PM

### Catalina

08/25	..... at NFL Yet	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs North Pointe Prep	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs ALA-Anthem South	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Bisbee	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Tanque Verde	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Santa Rita	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Tombstone	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Benson	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Palo Verde	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Willcox	7:00 PM

### Chandler Prep

08/18	..... at Arete Prep	7:00 PM
08/25	..... vs St. John Paul II	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Highland Prep	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Miami	7:00 PM
09/16	..... at Sequoia Pathway	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs San Tan Charter	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Scottsdale Prep	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs NFL Yet	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Santa Cruz Valley	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Heritage Academy	7:00 PM

### Coronado

08/18	..... at Scottsdale Prep	7:00 PM
08/24	..... at Cortez	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Red Mesa	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Palo Verde	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Valley Lutheran	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Scottsdale Christian	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Shadow Mountain	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Madison Highland	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Arete Prep	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Veritas Prep	7:00 PM

### Cortez

08/24	..... vs Coronado	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Washington	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Santa Rita	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Highland Prep	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs North Pointe Prep	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Mountainside	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Camp Verde	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Phoenix Christian	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Kingman Academy	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Glendale Prep	7:00 PM

### Glendale Prep

08/25	..... vs Tanque Verde	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Greyhills Academy	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Arete Prep	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Phoenix Christian	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Mountainside	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Kingman Academy	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Highland Prep	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Camp Verde	7:00 PM
10/19	..... at North Pointe Prep	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Cortez	7:00 PM

### Globe

08/18	..... vs ALA-Anthem South	7:00 PM
08/25	..... vs Santa Rita	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Arete Prep	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Tombstone	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Miami	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs St. Johns	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at St. John Paul II	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Pima	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Alchesay	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs San Carlos	7:00 PM

### Greyhills Academy

08/18	..... at Hopi	7:00 PM
08/25	..... vs North Pointe Prep	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Glendale Prep	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at St. John Paul II	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Red Mesa	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Holbrook	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Many Farms	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Pinon	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Tuba City	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Valley (Sanders)	7:00 PM

### Heritage Academy

08/18	..... at NFL Yet	7:00 PM
08/25	..... at Tombstone	7:00 PM
08/31	..... vs Valley Lutheran	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs ALA-West Foothills	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Trivium Prep	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Santa Cruz Valley	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Arete Prep	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at San Tan Charter	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Sequoia Pathway	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Chandler Prep	7:00 PM

### Highland Prep

08/25	..... at Red Mesa	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Chandler Prep	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Madison Highland	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Cortez	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Phoenix Christian	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at North Pointe Prep	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Glendale Prep	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Kingman Academy	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Camp Verde	7:00 PM
10/26	..... vs Mountainside	7:00 PM

### Holbrook

08/25	..... at Page	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Winslow	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at St. Johns	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Valley (Sanders)	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Many Farms	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Greyhills Academy	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Hopi	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Red Mesa	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Pinon	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Tuba City	7:00 PM



<b>Hopi</b>		
08/18.....	vs Greyhills Academy .....	7:00 PM
08/26.....	vs Scottsdale Prep.....	10:00 AM
09/01.....	vs Ganado .....	7:00 PM
09/08.....	at Zuni (NM) .....	6:00 PM
09/15.....	at Tuba City.....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	vs Valley (Sanders).....	7:00 PM
10/06.....	at Holbrook.....	7:00 PM
10/13.....	at Many Farms.....	7:00 PM
10/20.....	vs Red Mesa.....	7:00 PM
10/27.....	at Pinon.....	7:00 PM

<b>Kingman Academy</b>		
08/19.....	vs Mountainside .....	5:00 PM
08/25.....	vs Chino Valley.....	7:00 PM
09/01.....	at Kingman .....	7:00 PM
09/08.....	vs Lake Mead Christian (NV).....	7:00 PM
09/15.....	at North Pointe Prep.....	7:00 PM
09/22.....	at Camp Verde .....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	vs Glendale Prep.....	7:00 PM
10/13.....	vs Highland Prep.....	7:00 PM
10/20.....	at Cortez .....	7:00 PM
10/27.....	at Phoenix Christian.....	7:00 PM

<b>Madison Highland</b>		
08/18.....	vs Veritas Prep .....	7:00 PM
08/25.....	at Bisbee .....	7:00 PM
08/31.....	vs NFL Yet.....	7:00 PM
09/08.....	vs Highland Prep .....	7:00 PM
09/15.....	at Scottsdale Prep.....	7:00 PM
09/22.....	at Shadow Mountain .....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	at Valley Lutheran.....	7:00 PM
10/06.....	vs Coronado .....	7:00 PM
10/20.....	vs Scottsdale Christian .....	7:00 PM
10/27.....	at Tonopah Valley .....	7:00 PM

<b>Many Farms</b>		
08/18.....	at Wingate (NM).....	7:00 PM
09/01.....	at Chinle .....	7:00 PM
09/08.....	vs NFL Yet.....	7:00 PM
09/15.....	vs Pinon .....	7:00 PM
09/22.....	at Holbrook.....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	vs Tuba City.....	7:00 PM
10/06.....	at Greyhills Academy .....	7:00 PM
10/13.....	vs Hopi.....	7:00 PM
10/20.....	at Valley (Sanders).....	7:00 PM
10/27.....	vs Red Mesa.....	7:00 PM

<b>Miami</b>		
08/25.....	vs Veritas Prep .....	7:00 PM
09/01.....	at Scottsdale Prep.....	7:00 PM
09/08.....	at Chandler Prep.....	7:00 PM
09/15.....	vs Globe .....	7:00 PM
09/22.....	vs Pima .....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	at Alchesay .....	7:00 PM
10/06.....	at St. Johns .....	7:00 PM
10/13.....	vs San Carlos.....	7:00 PM
10/20.....	vs Arizona Lutheran .....	7:00 PM
10/27.....	at ALA-Anthem South.....	7:00 PM

<b>Mountainside</b>		
08/19.....	at Kingman Academy .....	5:00 PM
08/25.....	vs San Carlos.....	7:00 PM
09/01.....	vs St. John Paul II .....	7:00 PM
09/08.....	at San Pasqual Valley .....	7:00 PM
09/15.....	vs Camp Verde .....	7:00 PM
09/22.....	at Glendale Prep.....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	vs Cortez .....	7:00 PM
10/13.....	at North Pointe Prep.....	7:00 PM
10/20.....	vs Phoenix Christian.....	7:00 PM
10/26.....	at Highland Prep.....	7:00 PM

<b>NFL Yet</b>		
08/18.....	vs Heritage Academy .....	7:00 PM
08/25.....	vs Catalina.....	7:00 PM
08/31.....	at Madison Highland .....	7:00 PM
09/08.....	at Many Farms.....	7:00 PM
09/22.....	vs Santa Cruz Valley .....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	at Arete Prep .....	7:00 PM
10/06.....	at Chandler Prep.....	7:00 PM
10/13.....	vs San Pasqual Valley .....	7:00 PM
10/20.....	at San Tan Charter .....	7:00 PM
10/27.....	vs Sequoia Pathway .....	7:00 PM

<b>North Pointe Prep</b>		
08/25.....	at Greyhills Academy .....	7:00 PM
09/01.....	at Catalina.....	7:00 PM
09/08.....	vs Antelope Union .....	7:00 PM
09/15.....	vs Kingman Academy.....	7:00 PM
09/22.....	at Cortez .....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	vs Highland Prep.....	7:00 PM
10/06.....	at Phoenix Christian.....	7:00 PM
10/13.....	vs Mountainside .....	7:00 PM
10/19.....	vs Glendale Prep .....	7:00 PM
10/27.....	at Camp Verde.....	7:00 PM

<b>Palo Verde</b>		
08/25.....	at Antelope Union .....	7:00 PM
09/01.....	vs Rincon/University .....	7:00 PM
09/08.....	vs Coronado.....	7:00 PM
09/15.....	at Tanque Verde.....	7:00 PM
09/22.....	at Santa Rita .....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	vs Benson.....	7:00 PM
10/06.....	at Bisbee .....	7:00 PM
10/13.....	vs Willcox.....	7:00 PM
10/20.....	vs Catalina.....	7:00 PM
10/27.....	at Tombstone.....	7:00 PM

<b>Parker</b>		
08/25.....	vs Yuma.....	7:00 PM
09/01.....	at Wickenburg .....	7:00 PM
09/09.....	at Needles (CA).....	4:00 PM
09/15.....	vs Arizona Lutheran.....	7:00 PM
09/22.....	at Antelope Union .....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	vs Tonopah Valley .....	7:00 PM
10/06.....	vs Veritas Prep .....	7:00 PM
10/13.....	at Trivium Prep .....	7:00 PM
10/20.....	vs St. John Paul II .....	7:00 PM
10/27.....	at San Pasqual Valley .....	7:00 PM

<b>Phoenix Christian</b>		
08/18.....	vs Tanque Verde.....	7:00 PM
08/25.....	vs Benson.....	7:00 PM
09/08.....	at Sequoia Pathway .....	7:00 PM
09/15.....	at Glendale Prep .....	7:00 PM
09/22.....	at Highland Prep .....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	vs Camp Verde .....	7:00 PM
10/06.....	vs North Pointe Prep.....	7:00 PM
10/13.....	at Cortez .....	7:00 PM
10/20.....	at Mountainside .....	7:00 PM
10/27.....	vs Kingman Academy.....	7:00 PM

<b>Pima</b>		
08/25.....	at Safford .....	7:00 PM
09/01.....	at Scottsdale Christian .....	7:00 PM
09/08.....	vs Morenci .....	7:00 PM
09/15.....	at St. Johns .....	7:00 PM
09/22.....	at Miami .....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	vs ALA-Anthem South.....	7:00 PM
10/06.....	vs Globe .....	7:00 PM
10/13.....	vs Alchesay .....	7:00 PM
10/20.....	at San Carlos.....	7:00 PM
10/27.....	vs Santa Cruz Valley .....	7:00 PM

<b>Pinon</b>		
08/25.....	at San Pasqual Valley .....	7:00 PM
09/01.....	vs Navajo Preparatory (NM) .....	7:00 PM
09/08.....	vs San Carlos.....	7:00 PM
09/15.....	at Many Farms.....	7:00 PM
09/22.....	at Tuba City.....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	vs Red Mesa.....	7:00 PM
10/06.....	at Valley (Sanders).....	7:00 PM
10/13.....	vs Greyhills Academy.....	7:00 PM
10/20.....	at Holbrook.....	7:00 PM
10/27.....	vs Hopi.....	7:00 PM

<b>Red Mesa</b>		
08/25.....	vs Highland Prep .....	7:00 PM
09/01.....	at Coronado .....	7:00 PM
09/08.....	at Alchesay .....	7:00 PM
09/15.....	vs Greyhills Academy .....	7:00 PM
09/22.....	vs Valley (Sanders).....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	at Pinon .....	7:00 PM
10/06.....	vs Tuba City.....	7:00 PM
10/13.....	vs Holbrook.....	7:00 PM
10/20.....	at Hopi.....	7:00 PM
10/27.....	at Many Farms.....	7:00 PM

<b>San Carlos</b>		
08/25.....	at Mountainside .....	7:00 PM
09/01.....	vs Tombstone.....	7:00 PM
09/08.....	at Pinon .....	7:00 PM
09/15.....	vs Alchesay .....	7:00 PM
09/22.....	vs Valley Lutheran.....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	vs St. Johns .....	7:00 PM
10/06.....	at ALA-Anthem South .....	7:00 PM
10/13.....	at Miami .....	7:00 PM
10/20.....	vs Pima.....	7:00 PM
10/27.....	at Globe .....	7:00 PM

<b>San Pasqual Valley</b>		
08/25.....	vs Pinon .....	7:00 PM
09/01.....	at Santa Rita .....	7:00 PM
09/08.....	vs Mountainside .....	7:00 PM
09/15.....	at St. John Paul II .....	7:00 PM
09/22.....	at Arizona Lutheran .....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	vs Antelope Union .....	7:00 PM
10/06.....	at Tonopah Valley .....	7:00 PM
10/13.....	at NFL Yet.....	7:00 PM
10/20.....	vs Trivium Prep .....	7:00 PM
10/27.....	vs Parker .....	7:00 PM

<b>San Tan Charter</b>		
08/17.....	vs Scottsdale Christian .....	7:00 PM
08/25.....	at Valley Lutheran.....	7:00 PM
09/01.....	vs San Tan Foothills.....	7:00 PM
09/08.....	at Veritas Prep .....	7:00 PM
09/22.....	at Chandler Prep.....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	vs Sequoia Pathway .....	7:00 PM
10/06.....	at Santa Cruz Valley .....	7:00 PM
10/13.....	vs Heritage Academy .....	7:00 PM
10/20.....	vs NFL Yet.....	7:00 PM
10/27.....	at Arete Prep .....	7:00 PM

<b>Santa Cruz Valley</b>		
08/25.....	vs Trivium Prep .....	7:00 PM
09/01.....	at Coolidge.....	7:00 PM
09/08.....	vs Bisbee.....	7:00 PM
09/15.....	vs Arete Prep .....	7:00 PM
09/22.....	at NFL Yet.....	7:00 PM
09/29.....	at Heritage Academy .....	7:00 PM
10/06.....	vs San Tan Charter .....	7:00 PM
10/13.....	at Sequoia Pathway .....	7:00 PM
10/20.....	vs Chandler Prep .....	7:00 PM
10/27.....	at Pima.....	7:00 PM



Santa Rita		
08/25	..... at Globe .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs San Pasqual Valley .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Cortez .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Willcox .....	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Palo Verde .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Catalina .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Benson .....	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Tombstone .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Tanque Verde .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Bisbee .....	7:00 PM

Scottsdale Christian		
08/17	..... at San Tan Charter .....	7:00 PM
08/25	..... at Camp Verde .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Pima .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Valley Christian .....	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Coronado .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Veritas Prep .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Scottsdale Prep .....	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Valley Lutheran .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... at Madison Highland .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... vs Shadow Mountain .....	7:00 PM

Scottsdale Prep		
08/18	..... vs Coronado .....	7:00 PM
08/26	..... at Hopi .....	10:00 AM
09/01	..... vs Miami .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Trivium Prep .....	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Madison Highland .....	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Veritas Prep .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Chandler Prep .....	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Scottsdale Christian .....	7:00 PM
10/20	..... vs Shadow Mountain .....	7:00 PM
10/27	..... at Valley Lutheran .....	7:00 PM

Sequoia Pathway		
08/25	..... at Shadow Mountain .....	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Veritas Prep .....	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Phoenix Christian .....	7:00 PM
09/16	..... vs Chandler Prep .....	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Arete Prep .....	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at San Tan Charter .....	7:00 PM
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# 1A CONFERENCE FOOTBALL PRESEASON RANKINGS



*Mogollon plans to keep its foot on the gas and become a four-peat champion. Only four other AZ schools have accomplished this. (Mark Jones photo/MaxPreps)*

By Jose Garcia  
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**1. MOGOLLON:** The Mustangs are aiming to become the first 1A team to four-peat. "Staying humble and continuing to have fun will be key," coach Rick Samon said. Players from last year's undefeated junior varsity and junior high teams will help fill some voids. Preseason 1A Player of the Year candidate QB Kyson Owens will direct the offense while the new backfield earns its stripes. Up next to assume the defensive leadership duties are linebackers Bryson Kelton and Ryan Ulmer. A warning for opposing offensive lines: Start preparing for Mohammed Kayed (6-0, 270). Samon handed the defensive coordinator duties to former arena player Drew Gamboa.

**2. BAGDAD:** The sexy pick to unseat the reigning champ because of its experience. Right guard, center and nose guard are the only slots to fill. But 1,000-pound, three lift accomplisher Nick Martinez and state wrestling placer Tommy Nelson are more than ready to help fill in. With football/baseball star Shane Hooper, the Sultans can swing for the fences. Getting the WR/RB/DB/KR the ball will be a young yet confident quarterback, Ezrah Aguilar. Look for another youngster, Masiu Aholelei, to keep throwing his weight around at running back.

**3. WILLIAMS:** Most of the starters are new, but what doesn't graduate are the expectations: playoffs or bust. Providing the senior leadership are three-year starter Ray-

mond Gonzalez (RB/LB) and Cody Payne (WR/CB). Another senior, receiver J.P. Echeverria, is suiting up for the first time and ready to produce immediately. Lineman Ryan Burns (6-6, 270) headlines the junior class. The sophomore class is filled with some potential breakout stars. One of them is QB Jack Dent, who will spread the ball around for a program that in recent years was run heavy. Dent's dad, Jeff, a former QB at Williams, led the program to the 1993 title.

**4. HAYDEN:** A ring is what's missing since coach John Estrada reestablished the program as a contender. The chase continues this season but without many veteran skill players. The backup QB the last two years, Paul Gaither, is revved up about finally getting the keys to the offense. The backfield also is new but there's plenty of horsepower with Deondre Collier, Rene Ochoa, Kino Loroña and Jordan Rodriguez. The offensive line is fully stocked with returners, including leader Ismael Gallego. The dominant Dominic Alvarado (DL) and all-state LB Rene Ochoa are the defensive enforcers.

**5. SAN MANUEL:** Two-way threat Dominic Rodriguez is healthy after recovering from a broken collar bone. The team's workout "beast," G/DL Aiden Lozoya (5-10, 250), will be a four-year starter. Lozoya and fellow senior Tommy Morris are the main cogs on the lines. With three players battling for the starting quarterback nod, a different QB will start for the second year in a row. But the new QB will be surrounded by a lot of experience. Keeping WR/RB Isaiah Huerta healthy will be key. David Ward, San Manuel's former head coach, returned this season as an assistant.



**6. ST. DAVID:** With so much youth, the talented sophomores and juniors have been cramming for their season-long tests. St. David, which never seems to run out of quarterbacks, is preparing to showcase the quickness of new signal-caller Grayson Merrill. Center Cole Haymore (back from injury) guard Quinton Williams and the quick Jadon Hill, a RB, are emerging as potential headliners. Another Haynie, CB/RB Cedar, figures to also be in the spotlight eventually, following his brothers' footsteps. One of the three seniors on the team is first-year player Safina Blachly. She is a talented tennis player who'll play wide receiver.

**7. SALOME:** It isn't as experienced as last year's quarterfinal squad, but the expectations remain high for a program with a solid tradition. Some of the valuable veterans are the poised and elusive Jibran Castillo (QB) and a three-year starter in the trenches, Stephen Avila (6-3, 250). New backfield threat Carlos Esparza doesn't shy away from contact but can also break away from defenders. The progress of crisp route runner Edgar Gamez was on full display in the offseason. Sophomore Christopher Smith (6-4, 225) is moving to defensive end. Salome will attempt to defend its region title and defeat Bagdad on the road for the first time in over 20 years.

**8. CICERO PREP:** Welcome to the rankings for the first time, Centurions. Last season, the Scottsdale program reached the playoffs, accomplishing another first. In its third year with the AIA, Cicero Prep is home to one of 1A's elite receivers,

David Yourkoski. Jr. RB Bronjour Bruyhunga is healthy, so good luck trying to catch the anchor of the school's 4 X 100 team. Luke Hodgson, the backup QB the last two seasons and only new starter on offense, is set to take over. One of the team's better athletes, Martin Perez, will line up at DE.

**9. SUPERIOR:** A former five-year-old ball boy and alum of Superior landed his dream head coaching job. Congrats Elias Olmos. Unlike last year, the team will spread the ball more this season. When it does run, the Panthers will lean on the very fast and reliable David Drennan. The senior RB/LB, who is also one of his team's best tacklers, is seeking his third consecutive 1,000 yard rushing season. The return of WR Jared Toner and FB/MLB Joel Romero, who were injured last season, are two of the other weapons for new pocket passer Antonio Lopez.

**10. EL CAPITAN/CENTENNIAL ACADEMY:** The team's future appears bright with the White brothers still in the lineup. Zedakye and Denim wreaked havoc during their first three years as starters. Zedakye (6-2, 230), a QB, is a 4.0 student and set to assume more of a leadership role. Denim is Zedakye's No. 1 option on the outside. Another White sibling will join them this season, Kurt, a new assistant. Second-year starter Tyson Zitting (lineman), RB Jay Timpson and lineman Ethan Hammon round out the leadership core of a team searching for its third consecutive postseason trip.



*Hayden was almost king of 1A last season, averaging 59.1 points per game and entering the postseason as the No. 1 seed, before bowing out in the state semifinals to runner-up Williams. (Chris Hook photo/MaxPreps)*



## 1A CONFERENCE FOOTBALL TEAM-BY-TEAM PREVIEW



*Williams has appeared in five of the last seven state championship games. (Mark Jones photo/MaxPreps)*

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### NORTH REGION

#### El Capitan/Centennial Academy

**Coach:** Justin Adair.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2/6-4.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB/LB Zedakye White 6-2, 230; Sr. WR/DE Denim White 6-2, 185; Sr. WR/DB Monte Hammon 5-10, 155; Sr. RB/DB Jay Timpson 5-11, 155; Sr. OL/DL Ethan Hammon 6-4, 200.

**Team's biggest question marks:** How will our team do in the second year under our system? How will players fill the roles of last year's seniors in key positions (O-line, LB, DT, etc.)? How will our strength and conditioning program impact performance on the field?

**Team expectations:** Compete at state, in region and with Williams and Mogollon and build a culture.

**Beyond the numbers:** Zedakye White is the leader of our team. He is an extremely hard worker (He has been coming early and lifting with me for three years). He is a great kid who is involved in everything he can be in the school and the community. He is a 4.0 student who is also involved in leadership in the student council. He is also one of the lead actors in school plays. He is such a joy to coach.

#### Mayer

**Coach:** Steve Reeser.

**Years as school's coach:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Jr. RB Easton Garcia 5-10, 170; Jr. DB Cayden Want, 5-7, 155.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Can the team adapt to a new offense? As a smaller team, how will we deal with adversity?

**Team expectations:** We expect the boys to learn and have a positive experience throughout the season.

#### Mogollon

**Coach:** Rick Samon.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3/31-2.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** QB Kyson Owens; WR Adrian Suarez; LB Bryson Kelton; TE/DE Keegan Porter.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Running back, middle linebacker, offensive tackle.

**Team expectations:** To stay on top.

#### Williams

**Coach:** Jeff Brownlee.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 14/112-36

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 1.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB/LB Raymond Gonzalez 5-6, 155; Sr. WR/CB Cody Payne 6-0, 165; So. QB Jack Dent 6-0, 160; Jr. OL/DL Ryan Burns 6-7, 280; So. RB/S Mario Pedraza 6-1, 170.



**Team's biggest question marks:** We will be young and lack varsity time on the field.

**Team expectations:** Nothing less than a playoff spot. Take one game at a time and grow as a team.

*Region notes: Paul Woods scored five touchdowns last year as a sophomore for Fredonia. ... Rock Point will field a team for the first time since 2019.*

## SOUTH REGION

### Fort Thomas

**Coach:** Erique Aguila.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/1-8.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 2.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** Jr. QB Allen Gilbert; So. QB Damare Dosela; So. MLB Justin Olivar; Jr. OL Andres Moreno; So. OL Jadon Quade.

**Team's biggest question marks:** What steps can we take as a team to elevate our performance? How can we embrace and build upon our individual strengths? What goals can we set collectively to inspire each other?

**Team expectations:** Elevation. Young underclassmen that can stand toe-to-toe against upperclassmen.

**Beyond the numbers:** Andres Moreno's change in a year has been incredible.

### Ray

**Coach:** Zac Moore.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 7.

**Key returning players:** Sr. Joseph Morales 6-0, 210; Jr. Mark Chester 5-7, 145; Jr. Gaje Nichols 5-7, 135; Jr. Reggie Lechuga 6-0, 175; So. Jason Day 5-9, 160.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Fighting through adversity, young QB, learning new playbook.

**Team expectations:** I fully expect to be competing for a playoff spot.

**Beyond the numbers:** Coach Freddy Cruz has served for many years at Ray High School. He was my coach when I went to high school here.

### San Manuel

**Coach:** Ernie Ivy.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 4/23-13.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6 to 8.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6 to 8.

**Key returning players:** OL DL Aiden Lozoya 5-10, 250; RB/DB Dominic Rodriguez 5-6, 135; Jr. RB/WR/LB Isaiah Huerta 6-0, 175; QB/LB Auggie Romero 5-10, 165; C/DL Tommy Morris 5-11, 200.

**Team's biggest question marks:** New QBs.

**Team expectations:** Having a good winning season and making playoffs with no injuries.



*St. David OL/DE Quinton Williams (Chris Hook photo/MaxPreps)*

### St. David

**Coach:** Braden Davis.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 6/35-20.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 2.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 1.

**Key returning players:** Sr. G/DE Quinton Williams 6-1, 175; Jr. G/RB/LB Jadon Gill 6-0, 210; Jr. QB/CB Greyson Merrill 5-11, 155; Sr. C/DL Cole Haymore 5-10, 210; Jr. WR/S Gannon Carrafa 6-3, 160.

**Team's biggest question marks:** How do we replace 10 seniors from last year? Can our young guys step up to fill key roles? Can Grayson Merrill step up to lead as QB? Our JV QB from last year, Owen Judd, will not be available due to injury.

**Team expectations:** We expect to reload and compete with the best teams in 1A, defend our South Region title and make a playoff run.

**Beyond the numbers:** This year we're fortunate to add a first time football player, senior Safina Blachly. She initially wanted to be our team manager but then decided to play football with her younger brother, Ricky, who will be a sophomore. Safina is a tall, athletic, two-time county female tennis player of the year, but is completely new to football. She has been playing receiver and safety in our passing tournaments and last week grabbed her first interception. Grayson Merrill, a starting corner and kick returner from last year, is taking on the QB role for us and working very hard on his mechanics and reads. He understands he has big shoes to fill with St. David's long history of outstanding QBs, but he has taken on the role and is leading his team very well.

*Region notes: Sr. Xavier Mease is the returning scoring and passing TD leader for Baboquivari. ... After a 1-3 start last year, Duncan won its final four games with the help of Isaac Harris' 78.7 rushing yards per game and 11 TDs. Sr. Diego Montoya accounted for 18 TDs last year. ... DL Jason Noble finished with 4.5 sacks in 2022 for Valley Union.*



## WEST REGION

### Anthem Prep

**Coach:** Jeff Gubernick.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 2/3-7.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. TE/LB 6-2, 180; Sr. TE/LB Josh Lozano 6-0, 180; Sr. FB/DE Ben Ledensa 5-8, 160; Sr. C/OT JP Young 6-4, 230; Sr. NT/G Leroy Sinnott 5-11, 235.

**Team's biggest question marks:** New QB, receivers and system.

**Team expectations:** Would like to make playoffs.

**Beyond the numbers:** Coach Bill Gahn came out of retirement after being in the AZ Hall of Fame as a coach and athletic director.

### Bagdad

**Coach:** Dalton Mills.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 10/92-23.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 6.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 8.

**Key returning players:** Sr. WR/RB/DB/KR Shane Hooper 6-3, 200; Jr. NG/G/FB Nick Martinez 5-8, 230; So. RB Masiu Aholelei 5-8, 190; Sr. TE/LB Deegan Owings 6-0, 200; So. QB Ezra Aguilar 5-9, 160.

**Team's biggest question marks:** We have a lot of good athletes this year. Will some of them be able to accept a lesser role to help the team get to where we want to be? Can we have the chemistry to do what needs to be done to get ourselves back to being one of the top teams? Did we do enough in the offseason to be a favorite? Replacing our only two offensive starting linemen from last year.

**Team expectations:** A state championship is the expectation.

**Beyond the numbers:** Shane Hooper is a multi-sport athlete. Masiu Aholelie, as a freshman, was second in 1A in rushing yards and Hawaiian heritage makes him unique. He is a three-sport athlete during the school year and also plays club rugby.

### Desert Heights Prep

**Coach:** Kendrick Felix.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 12/72-26.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** Jr. WR/LB Josh Orozco; So. QB Mason Wicker; Jr. RB/LB Bryce Godfrey; Sr. OL/DL Giovanni Giaccone; So. OL/DL Aiden Clark.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Who will step up and replace the graduated players? We have several new players that will take time to adjust to scheme and play of the game.

**Team expectations:** Improve on last season's 2-6 record. We were competitive in four of the losses. Still a young team, but the future looks bright.

### Mohave Accelerated

**Coach:** Adam Gibson.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 14-27.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 3.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Jerry Keltner 6-0, 185; Sr. LB Dagon Blake 6-1, 205; Jr. DL Randal Berg 6-5, 283; So. WR Owen Honegger 5-9, 140; So. TE Jerry Torres 6-0, 170.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Getting positions filled. Finding the right pieces to fill those spots.

**Team expectations:** Win every play, down, series, quarter, game.

**Beyond the numbers:** Jerry Keltner and Randal Berg will be two of the team leaders for the up and coming season.

### North Phoenix Prep

**Coach:** William Wright.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st season.

**Potential milestone:** First school victory.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 0.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 0.

**Key returning players:** So. ATH Elijah Treat 5-8, 175; So. QB/DL/OL Vincent Puzzouli Medrano 6-0, 215; Fr. OL/LB Jayson Nichols 6-0, 220; Fr. OL/DL James Tucker 5-9, 245; Fr. WR/DB Braxton 5-10, 165.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Who are our team leaders? How fast do we adjust to playing in a difficult division? How much growth does the team display from the beginning of the season until the end? A successful season for us will be setting the foundation and culture for Gladiator football and finding ways to be competitive in each game.

**Team expectations:** A successful season for us will be setting the foundation and culture for Gladiator football and finding ways to be competitive in each game.

**Beyond the numbers:** Senior leader Jude Arevalo is in his first year of football. Assistant coach Mike Miller served in the armed forces and has a son enlisted right now.

### Salome

**Coach:** Bryan McCarty.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 7/38-21.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. QB Jibran Castillo 5-11, 185; Sr. WR/DB Edgar Gamez 5-9, 170; Sr. OL/DL Stephen Avila 6-3, 250; So. RB/TE/DE/LB Christopher Smith 6-3, 225; Jr. RB/LB Carlos Esparza 5-9, 185.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Replacing starters on the offensive line. Replacing four starters on defense. Number of players on the team.

**Team expectations:** Competing at the highest level that we can and defending the 1A West title we won last season.

## EAST REGION

### Cicero Prep

**Coach:** Dmitri O'Brien.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3/9-9.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 7.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Sr. WR David Yourkoski; Jr. RB Bronjor Bruyhunga.

**Team's biggest question marks:** New quarterback. Incoming numbers for team.

**Team expectations:** Finishing top of the region.



## Hayden

**Coach:** John Q. Estrada.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 13/78-38.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 6.

**Key returning players:** Deondre Collier 6-1, 180; Dominic Alverado 5-10, 190; Rene Ochoa 5-10, 180; Mark Acevedo 5-10, 180; Ismael Gallego 5-9, 185.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Young players need to step up. Stay healthy. Lost some talented seniors due to graduation. Young boys have some big shoes to fill.

**Team expectations:** Fundamentals. Teach the game of football. Play hard.

**Beyond the numbers:** Deondre Collier is a multi-sport scholar-athlete.

## Lincoln Prep

**Coach:** Paul Schubring.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 7/13-18.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 5.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 5.

**Key returning players:** Sr. ATH Luke Nielsen; Sr. WR/DB Michael DeBratto; Sr. WR/DE Thomas Frey; So. QB/LB Joshua Pierce; Sr. RB/DB Jack Luce.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Will young guys step up in the trenches? How well will this senior group lead? Can our young guys take the next step and contribute in their first seasons of starting? Can we take the next step as a program and win a playoff game?

**Team expectations:** The goal is to win a playoff game for the first time in school history. We expect to compete every game and execute at a high level, regardless of the final score.

**Beyond the numbers:** Eric Salazar is a volunteer coach who has been a part of the program since Day 1, even after his son graduated. This year's seniors are good, competitive leaders who have seen a lot, do a lot of things right, and likely have good thoughts to share.



Cicero Prep WR/DE David Yourkoski (Paul Campbell photo/MaxPreps)

## Superior

**Coach:** Elias Olmo.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1st year.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 4.

**Key returning players:** Sr. RB/LB David Drennan 5-10, 160; Sr. OL/DL Eli Smith, 6-3, 225; Sr. OL/DL James Vasquez 6-2, 260; Sr. ATH Isaiah Diaz-Gonzalez 5-10, 155; Sr. ATH Jared Toner 6-1, 160.

**Team's biggest question marks:** How fast can we learn new offensive scheme? Who will be the new captains/leaders to step up? Do we have enough experience?

**Team expectations:** I expect this football team to be able to compete each week, improve every day and push each other in practice. This team has a lot of potential, but potential is nothing without hard work.

**Beyond the numbers:** Drennan is a great kid on the field and in classroom.

## Tempe Prep

**Coach:** Jason Jones.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 1/4-5.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 1.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 1.

**Key returning players:** WR/DB Austin Sampson 6-0, 160; RB/LB Noah Marquez 5-8, 165; WR Jack Darling 6-0, 170; DE Derek Bargnesi 5-7, 160.

**Team's biggest question mark:** How much progress we can make as a young group throughout the year?

*Region notes: Dishchii'bikoh recorded the program's first ever victory after defeating Fort Thomas 42-22 on Sept. 10 last year.*

## INDEPENDENT

### Maryvale Prep

**Coach:** Tom Barringer.

**Years as school's coach/record:** 3/18-2.

**Number of starters returning on offense:** 4.

**Number of starters returning on defense:** 3.

**Key returning players:** QB RJ Albieter 5-11, 185; WR/DB Juan Salcido 5-9, 155; OL/DL Adrian Nicolaescu Terrones 6-1, 200; TE Francisco Franco 5-9, 165; OLB Aldo Silva, 5-6, 150.

**Team's biggest question marks:** Replacing nine seniors and their leadership. Can the new athletes get up to speed with our scheme.

**Team expectations:** We want to compete in everything we do as well as hit harder and be more physical than every team we play.

**Beyond the numbers:** Coach Matty Cartee, our DC/RB/strength coach, does a great job of ensuring our athletes are disciplined but also talks to them about mental health and making sure they know they're cared for as people, not just as athletes. RJ Albieter, a senior QB, is from a rougher part of Maryvale and is the most driven player we've ever had to play football at the next level. He's the only athlete on this year's team who's played all four years.



**BAGDAD'S CHEMISTRY IS STRONG  
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QUARTERBACK/  
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CORNERBACK

**It seems like you never come off the field during games. I take it you are really exhausted after games.**

Yeah, and it sucks because I have a super small jersey. They always have to pull off some crazy miracle to take it off after games. And it's going to be even smaller this year.

**You can't get another jersey?**

No. 7 is my go-to number, but the size of the jersey is small. I've had the jersey since my sophomore year. But I'm about 6-2 and 195-pounds now.

**It's somewhat rare for an incoming senior in the 1A Conference to already hold college offers. What are some of the schools that are recruiting you?**

"Shoreline Community College in Washington, Dickinson State University, which wants me to play football and baseball, and Western Oklahoma for baseball."

**Do you want to play baseball and football in college?**

I don't know yet. My options are open. I'm still seeing what I'm going to do.

**What do you want to study in college?**

Forensic science. That's what I've always been good at, science. In chemistry, this past spring semester, I think I had like a 121 percent. I help out with the class and help teach. My chemistry teacher takes care of a garden at school. He also teaches earth science, and anytime we go to the garden I'm always in charge of it. My teacher has all type of plants. He's a vegetarian and super cool. Before school starts we try to plant things.

**What was one of your first biggest athletic accomplishments?**

I threw my first no-hitter when I was 10 or 11. We were in Wickenburg and won the tournament, and they gave us these gold-like rings with little cool sparkles on it.

**Last year, you threw a perfect game. Congratulation for accomplishing that.**

It was pretty cool. My team helped me out. They took some hard hit ground balls and some pop flies to help me keep my perfect game. I didn't know I was throwing a perfect game until the very last inning.

**How'd you find out?**

My third baseman told me when there was one out left. He came up to me and said, "Dude, you are throwing a perfect game." And then I got nervous.

**That's bad luck in baseball.**

I know. I thought he was going to jinx me (laughter).

**Take me through that final out and the celebration.**

So when the (third baseman) handed me the ball after the second out and told me I was throwing a perfect game, I said, "Actually?" And then he said, "Yeah, don't blow it. Strike somewhat out." (laughter) But I think I ended up striking out the last (batter). My dad (Bagdad assistant coach Dylan Hooper) got really happy. I have never seen my dad get too crazy. He keeps his composure. My teammates also ran up to me, telling me I had thrown a perfect game. I was happy.

**What's one of your biggest high school football accomplishments?**

It happened during my freshman year in the playoffs. I really didn't know what I was doing, but all of the seniors were out because of COVID. My brother, who was the running back, was out, and he was really good. We just had me and some other freshmen and two juniors and our senior quarterback. I played the game for my brother. But it was funny because I told them that their season was in the hands of the freshmen. We ended up winning that game. That was probably the first time I started in a game.

**Your coach, Dalton Mills, said that you created a very funny TikTok video for the team before that quarterfinal game.**

It was funny, because I was with my then freshmen friends, and we were making a video. But I felt (the seniors) were going to get mad at me. But my friends said, "Just do it." It was a video of (Marvel Comics villain) Thanos saying, "Now I can be whatever I want," because he had all of the (infinity) stones. In the video I put my hand out and texted on the screen "the senior season." I did a voice over as if I was Thanos. There was a filter that warped my face to make me look like Thanos. The team laughed when they saw it.

**When did you start playing baseball and football?**

I've played baseball and football since I was about five. When I started playing football I was super tiny and played with some kids who can hit pretty hard, but after a while I got used to it and started liking it.

**You didn't get the result you wanted after Bagdad reached the 1A baseball finals the last two years. Do you think this will be the year you finally get a ring?**

That would be cool. I feel like we can do it in baseball and football this year if we try hard enough.

—Jose Garcia, AZPreps365.com





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2022 1A RETURNING STAT

# LEADERS

Superior RB David Drennan (Chris Stanley photo/MaxPreps)

Lincoln Prep WR/CB Michael DeBratto (Jack Beasley photo/MaxPreps)



Source: MaxPreps

## PASSING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	TDs/INT
So.	Mason Wicker, Desert Heights Prep	1,678/209.8	16/11
Sr.	Kyson Owens, Mogollon	1,381/115.1	12/2
So.	Josh Pierce, Lincoln Prep	1,004/125.5	12/9
Sr.	Gerald Keltner, Mohave Accelerated	953/238.2	13/10
Sr.	Diego Montoya, Duncan	886/126.6	11/6
Sr.	Shane Hooper, Bagdad	747/67.9	10/10
Sr.	Kohan Evans, Valley Union	729/91.1	6/4
So.	Ezrah Aguilar, Bagdad	703/63.9	8/5
Sr.	Xavier Mease, Baboquivari	333/66.6	2/5
Sr.	Jibran Castillo, Salome	327/40.9	7/0

## SCORING

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Points	Pts/G	TDs
Sr.	RB/WR	Deondre Collier, Hayden	116	10.5	15
Sr.	WR	David Yourkoski, Cicero Prep	110	13.8	17
So.	RB	Masiu Aholelei, Bagdad	108	10.8	16
Sr.	QB	Kyson Owens, Mogollon	100	8.3	13
Sr.	RB	Raymond Gonzalez, Williams	92	7.7	14
So.	QB/RB	Ezrah Aguilar, Bagdad	90	8.2	12
Sr.	QB	Shane Hooper, Bagdad	82	7.5	13
Jr.	WR	Isaac Harris, Duncan	76	10.9	11
Sr.	QB	Jibran Castillo, Salome	74	9.2	12
Sr.	RB	David Drennan, Superior	74	7.4	12

## RUSHING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	Yds-C	TDs
Jr.	Masiu Aholelei, Bagdad	1,301/130.1	7.84	16
Sr.	David Drennan, Superior	1,256/125.6	9.04	10
Sr.	Jibran Castillo, Salome	1,005/125.6	15.95	11
Sr.	Deondre Collier, Hayden	797/72.5	10.63	11
Sr.	Kyson Owens, Mogollon	575/47.9	9.58	13
Sr.	Raymond Gonzalez, Williams	530/44.2	6.02	11
Jr.	Isaac Harris, Duncan	551/78.7	13.78	6
Jr.	Dominic Rodriguez, San Manuel	475/52.8	8.96	5
Sr.	Shane Hooper, Bagdad	466/42.4	8.47	7
Sr.	Xavier Mease, Baboquivari	384/76.8	11.29	7

## RECEIVING

Yr.	Name, School	Yards/Yds-G	Yds-R	TDs
Sr.	David Yourkoski, Cicero Prep	1,168/146	18.25	15
Jr.	Josh Orozco, Desert Heights Prep	707/88.4	13.34	6
Sr.	Deegan Owings, Bagdad	649/59.0	20.28	7
Sr.	Adrian Suarez, Mogollon	560/46.7	21.54	9
Jr.	Dylan Mitchell, Valley Union	446/55.8	20.27	2
Sr.	KJ Bohn, Anthem Prep	377/41.9	13.96	6
Sr.	Thomas Frey, Lincoln Prep	271/30.1	20.85	4
Sr.	David Drennan, Superior	245/24.5	30.62	2
Jr.	Isaac Harris, Duncan	220/31.4	18.33	1
Jr.	Paul Woods, Fredonia	209/34.8	26.12	2

## TOTAL YARDS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total Yds	Yds-G
Sr.	QB	Kyson Owens, Mogollon	1,974	164.5
So.	QB	Mason Wicker, Desert Heights Prep	1,738	217.2
Sr.	RB	David Drennan, Superior	1,501	150.1
Sr.	QB	Jibran Castillo, Salome	1,390	173.8
So.	RB	Masiu Aholelei, Bagdad	1,304	130.4
Sr.	QB	Shane Hooper, Bagdad	1,296	117.8
Sr.	QB	Diego Montoya, Duncan	1,240	177.1
Sr.	WR	David Yourkoski, Cicero Prep	1,168	146.0
So.	QB/RB	Ezrah Aguila, Bagdad	1,109	100.8
Sr.	QB	Kohan Evans, Valley Union	1,102	137.8

## TACKLES

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total tackles	Tackles-G
Sr.	CB	Cody Payne, Williams	111	9.2
Jr.	LB	Bryson Kelton, Mogollon	106	8.8
Sr.	LB	Dagon Blake, Mohave Accelerated	95	10.6
Jr.	DB	Josh Orozco, Desert Heights Prep	91	11.4
Sr.	CB	Raymond Gonzalez, Williams	91	7.6
Sr.	CB	Michael DeBratto, Lincoln Prep	84	10.5
Sr.	DL	Luke Nelson, Lincoln Prep	82	9.1
Sr.	LB	Rene Ochoa, Hayden	78	7.1
Jr.	DL	Gaje Nichols, Ray	74	10.6
Sr.	DL	Brandon Nelson, Bagdad	74	7.4

## SACKS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total Sacks	Sacks-G
Jr.	DB	Beau Balderrama, Salome	17.0	1.9
Sr.	DE	Joseph Morales, Ray	9.0	1.3
Jr.	DE	Jace Myers, Bagdad	8.5	0.8
Jr.	NG	Nick Martinez, Bagdad	8.0	0.7
Sr.	DE	Dominic Alvarado, Hayden	7.0	0.6
Sr.	DL	Mark Acevedo, Hayden	7.0	0.6
Jr.	LB	Kolh Hearn, Joseph City	6.0	1.0
Sr.	DL	Luke Nielsen, Lincoln Prep	5.0	0.6
Sr.	DE	Eli Smith, Superior	5.0	0.5
Jr.	DB	Josh Orozco, Desert Heights Prep	5.0	0.6

## INTERCEPTIONS

Yr.	Pos.	Name, School	Total INTs
Sr.	CB	Michael DeBratto, Lincoln Prep	5
Sr.	CB	Deondre Collier, Hayden	5
Sr.	CB	Raymond Gonzalez, Williams	5
Sr.	CB	Edgar Gamez, Salome	4
Sr.	CB	Shane Hooper, Bagdad	4
Sr.	CB	Adrian Suarez, Mogollon	4
Sr.	LB	Dagon Blake, Mohave Accelerated	3
Jr.	LB	Kolh Hearn, Joseph City	3
Jr.	CB	Kolton Wilmarth, Fredonia	3
Jr.	CB	Isaac Harris, Duncan	3



## 1A SCHEDULES

### Anthem Prep

08/18	..... at Lincoln Prep	7:00 PM
08/25	..... vs Desert Heights Prep	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs North Phoenix Prep	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Valley Union	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Mohave Accelerated	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Maryvale Prep	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Mayer	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Bagdad	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Salome	7:00 PM

### Dishchii'bikoh

08/18	..... at Valley Union	7:00 PM
08/25	..... at Mayer	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Tempe Prep	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Fort Thomas	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Cicero Prep	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Superior	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Hayden	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Maryvale Prep	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Lincoln Prep	7:00 PM

### Hayden

08/18	..... vs Superior	7:00 PM
08/25	..... at Bagdad	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Mogollon	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Tempe Prep	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Lincoln Prep	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs North Phoenix Prep	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Dishchii'bikoh	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Cicero Prep	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at St. David	7:00 PM

### Baboquivari

08/18	..... at Fort Thomas	7:00 PM
08/25	..... vs St. David	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Valley Union	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Cicero Prep	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Ray	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Duncan	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Desert Heights Prep	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs San Manuel	7:00 PM

### Duncan

08/18	..... vs Lordsburg (NM)	7:00 PM
08/25	..... vs Fort Thomas	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at San Manuel	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at St. David	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Baboquivari	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Ray	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Valley Union	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Rock Point	7:00 PM

### Joseph City

08/18	..... at Mohave Accelerated	7:00 PM
08/25	..... at Lincoln Prep	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Ray	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Rock Point	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs El Capitan/Academy	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Mayer	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Williams	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Fredonia	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Mogollon	7:00 PM

### Bagdad

08/18	..... vs Maryvale Prep	7:00 PM
08/25	..... vs Hayden	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs St. David	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Williams	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Desert Heights Prep	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Mohave Accelerated	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Salome	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Anthem Prep	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at North Phoenix Prep	7:00 PM

### El Capitan/Academy

08/18	..... at Diamond Ranch Acad. (UT)	7:00 PM
08/25	..... vs Water Canyon (UT)	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Mayer	7:00 PM
09/09	..... at Fredonia	1:00 PM
09/15	..... at Joseph City	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Mogollon	7:00 PM
09/29	..... vs Rock Point	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Tempe Prep	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Williams	7:00 PM

### Lincoln Prep

08/18	..... vs Anthem Prep	7:00 PM
08/25	..... vs Joseph City	7:00 PM
08/31	..... at Cicero Prep	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Mohave Accelerated	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Hayden	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Ray	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Tempe Prep	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Superior	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Dishchii'bikoh	7:00 PM

### Cicero Prep

08/18	..... at North Phoenix Prep	7:00 PM
08/25	..... vs San Manuel	7:00 PM
08/31	..... vs Lincoln Prep	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Baboquivari	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Dishchii'bikoh	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Tempe Prep	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Superior	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at Hayden	7:00 PM

### Fort Thomas

08/18	..... vs Baboquivari	7:00 PM
08/25	..... at Duncan	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Superior	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Dishchii'bikoh	7:00 PM
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09/22	..... vs San Manuel	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Valley Union	7:00 PM
10/06	..... at St. David	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Ray	7:00 PM

### Maryvale Prep

08/18	..... at Bagdad	7:00 PM
08/25	..... vs Mohave Accelerated	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Rock Point	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Salome	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at North Phoenix Prep	7:00 PM
09/22	..... at Anthem Prep	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Dishchii'bikoh	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Desert Heights Prep	7:00 PM

### Desert Heights Prep

08/18	..... vs Fredonia	7:00 PM
08/25	..... at Anthem Prep	7:00 PM
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### Fredonia

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08/26	..... vs Diamond Ranch Acad. (UT)	1:00 PM
09/01	..... at Water Canyon (UT)	7:00 PM
09/09	..... vs El Capitan/Academy	1:00 PM
09/15	..... at Rock Point	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Williams	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at Mogollon	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Joseph City	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Mayer	7:00 PM

### Mayer

08/25	..... vs Dishchii'bikoh	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at El Capitan/Academy	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Mogollon	7:00 PM
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<b>Mogollon</b>		
08/18	..... vs San Manuel	7:00 PM
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<b>Rock Point</b>		
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08/25	..... vs Mogollon	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Maryvale Prep	7:00 PM
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09/15	..... vs Fredonia	7:00 PM
09/29	..... at El Capitan/Academy	7:00 PM
10/06	..... vs Mayer	7:00 PM
10/13	..... at Duncan	7:00 PM

<b>Superior</b>		
08/18	..... at Hayden	7:00 PM
08/24	..... at Tempe Prep	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Fort Thomas	7:00 PM
09/08	..... at Ray	7:00 PM
09/15	..... at Salome	7:00 PM
09/22	..... vs Dishchii' bikoh	7:00 PM
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<b>Mohave Accelerated</b>		
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10/06	..... at Salome	7:00 PM
10/13	..... vs Tempe Prep	7:00 PM

<b>Salome</b>		
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<b>Tempe Prep</b>		
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<b>North Phoenix Prep</b>		
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<b>San Manuel</b>		
08/18	..... at Mogollon	7:00 PM
08/25	..... at Cicero Prep	7:00 PM
09/01	..... vs Duncan	7:00 PM
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<b>Valley Union</b>		
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<b>Ray</b>		
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<b>St. David</b>		
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<b>Williams</b>		
08/18	..... at Rock Point	7:00 PM
08/25	..... vs Pahrnagat Valley (NV)	7:00 PM
09/01	..... at Salome	7:00 PM
09/08	..... vs Bagdad	7:00 PM
09/15	..... vs Mayer	7:00 PM
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**Quarterfinals**  
November 25

**Semifinals**  
December 3

**Final**  
December 10

G1: 11/25, 7pm Liberty HS

#8 Sandra Day O'Connor	26
#1 Liberty	56

G5: 12/3, 6pm Mountain Ridge HS

#5 Saguario	43
#1 Liberty	42

G2: 11/25, 7pm Hamilton HS

#5 Saguario	45
#4 Hamilton	35

Live webcast on

G7: 12/10, 6pm Sun Devil Stadium-ASU

#5 Saguario	21
#2 Basha	28

The bottom team in the matchup is the home team.

Dates, times and locations subject to change.

G3: 11/25, 7pm Chandler HS

#6 Centennial	27
#3 Chandler	47

G6: 12/3, 6pm Dobson HS

#3 Chandler	0
#2 Basha	13

G4: 11/25, 7pm Basha HS

#7 ALA - QC	25
#2 Basha	31



**State Champion**

**Basha**



# 2022 AIA 11 man Football 6A State Championship



## Round 1 November 18

## Quarterfinals November 25

## Semifinals December 2

## Final December 10

G1: 11/18, 7pm Casteel HS

#16 Cesar Chavez	30
#1 Casteel	70

G2: 11/18, 7pm Mountain Pointe HS

#9 Mountain Ridge	41
#8 Mountain Pointe	42

G3: 11/18, 7pm Queen Creek HS

#12 Boulder Creek	7
#5 Queen Creek	37

G4: 11/18, 7pm Pinnacle HS

#13 Valley Vista	0
#4 Pinnacle	46

G5: 11/18, 7pm Corona del Sol HS

#14 Mesa	24
#3 Corona del Sol	21

G6: 11/18, 7pm Red Mountain HS

#11 Brophy Prep	38
#6 Red Mountain	45

G7: 11/18, 7pm Salpointe Catholic HS

#10 Williams Field	33
#7 Salpointe Catholic	36

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G8: 11/18, 7pm Highland HS

#15 Perry	22
#2 Highland	57

G9: 11/25, 7pm Casteel HS

#8 Mountain Pointe	6
#1 Casteel	43

G10: 11/25, 7pm Pinnacle HS

#5 Queen Creek	14
#4 Pinnacle	24

G11: 11/25, 7pm Red Mountain HS

#14 Mesa	10
#6 Red Mountain	49

G12: 11/25, 7pm Highland HS

#7 Salpointe Catholic	10
#2 Highland	14

G13: 12/2, 7pm Casteel HS

#4 Pinnacle	49
#1 Casteel	42

G14: 12/2, 7pm Highland HS

#6 Red Mountain	21
#2 Highland	35

G15: 12/10, 1pm Sun Devil Stadium-ASU

#4 Pinnacle	26
#2 Highland	37

The bottom team in the matchup is the home team.

Dates, times and locations subject to change.



State Champion

Highland



# 2022 AIA 11 man Football

## 5A State Championship



**Round 1**  
November 18

**Quarterfinals**  
November 25

**Semifinals**  
December 2

**Final**  
December 9

G1: 11/18, 7pm Notre Dame Preparatory

#16 Paradise Valley	19
#1 Notre Dame Prep	42

G9: 11/25, 7pm Notre Dame Preparatory

#8 Marana	36
#1 Notre Dame Prep	65

G2: 11/18, 7pm Marana HS

#9 Sunnyslope	17
#8 Marana	26

G13: 12/2, 7pm Notre Dame Preparatory

#4 Cactus	21
#1 Notre Dame Prep	17

G3: 11/18, 7pm Horizon HS

#12 Gilbert	0
#5 Horizon	49

G10: 11/25, 7pm Cactus HS

#5 Horizon	18
#4 Cactus	26

G4: 11/18, 8pm Apollo HS

#13 Willow Canyon	14
#4 Cactus	21

The bottom team in the matchup is the home team.

Dates, times and locations subject to change.

G15: 12/9, 8pm Sun Devil Stadium-ASU

#4 Cactus	21
#3 Higley	41

G5: 11/18, 7pm Higley HS

#14 Canyon View	12
#3 Higley	49

G11: 11/25, 7pm Higley HS

#6 Desert Edge	42
#3 Higley	45

G6: 11/18, 7pm Desert Edge HS

#11 Central	7
#6 Desert Edge	42

G14: 12/2, 7pm Desert Mountain HS

#3 Higley	35
#2 Desert Mountain	33

G7: 11/18, 7pm Campo Verde HS

#10 Millennium	17
#7 Campo Verde	10

G12: 11/25, 7pm Desert Mountain HS

#10 Millennium	7
#2 Desert Mountain	17

G8: 11/18, 7pm Desert Mountain HS

#15 Verrado	7
#2 Desert Mountain	38





# 2022 AIA 11 man Football

## 4A State Championship



### Round 1 November 18

### Quarterfinals November 25

### Semifinals December 2

### Final December 9

G1: 11/18, 7pm American Leadership Academy

#16 AZ College Prep	10
#1 ALA - Gilbert North	48

G9: 11/25, 7pm American Leadership Academy

#8 Bradshaw Mountain	20
#1 ALA - Gilbert North	55

G2: 11/18, 7pm Bradshaw Mountain HS

#9 Northwest Christian	13
#8 Bradshaw Mountain	23

G13: 12/2, 7pm American Leadership Academy

#13 Lake Havasu	21
#1 ALA - Gilbert North	42

G3: 11/18, 7pm Yuma Catholic

#12 Buckeye Union	42
#5 Yuma Catholic	56

G10: 11/25, 7pm Yuma Catholic

#13 Lake Havasu	35
#5 Yuma Catholic	34

G4: 11/18, 7pm Poston Butte HS

#13 Lake Havasu	42
#4 Poston Butte	24

The bottom team in the matchup is the home team.

Dates, times and locations subject to change.

G15: 12/9, 4pm Sun Devil Stadium-ASU

#2 Snowflake	14
#1 ALA - Gilbert North	28

G5: 11/18, 7pm Marcos de Niza HS

#14 Thunderbird	17
#3 Marcos de Niza	14

G11: 11/25, 7pm Canyon Del Oro HS

#14 Thunderbird	3
#6 Canyon Del Oro	28

G6: 11/18, 7pm Canyon Del Oro HS

#11 St. Mary's	7
#6 Canyon Del Oro	13

G14: 12/2, 7pm Snowflake HS

#6 Canyon Del Oro	13
#2 Snowflake	16

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G7: 11/18, 7pm Apache Junction HS

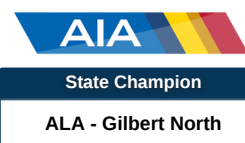
#10 Prescott	35
#7 Apache Junction	28

G12: 11/25, 7pm Snowflake HS

#10 Prescott	3
#2 Snowflake	23

G8: 11/18, 7pm Snowflake HS

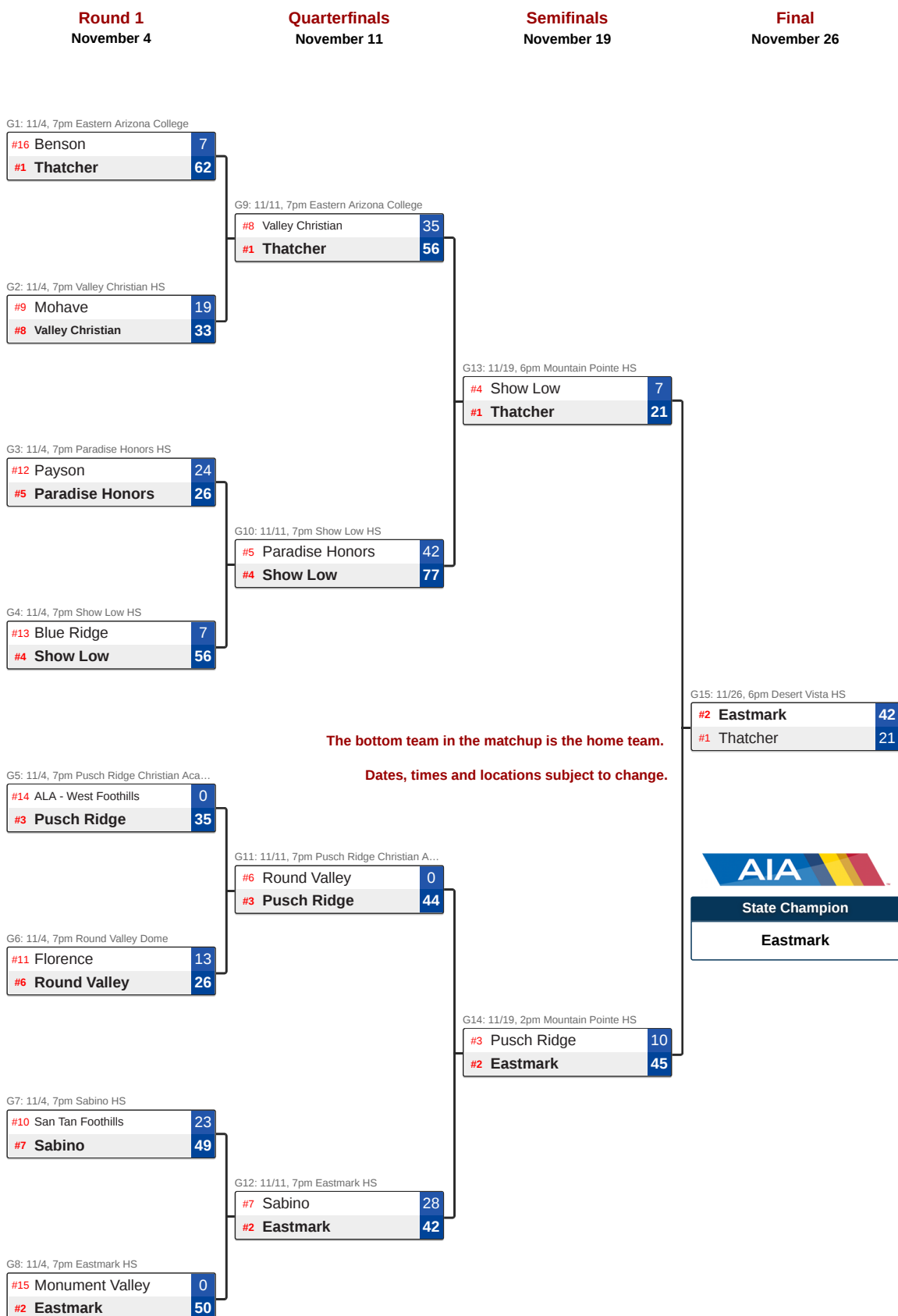
#15 Arcadia	0
#2 Snowflake	19





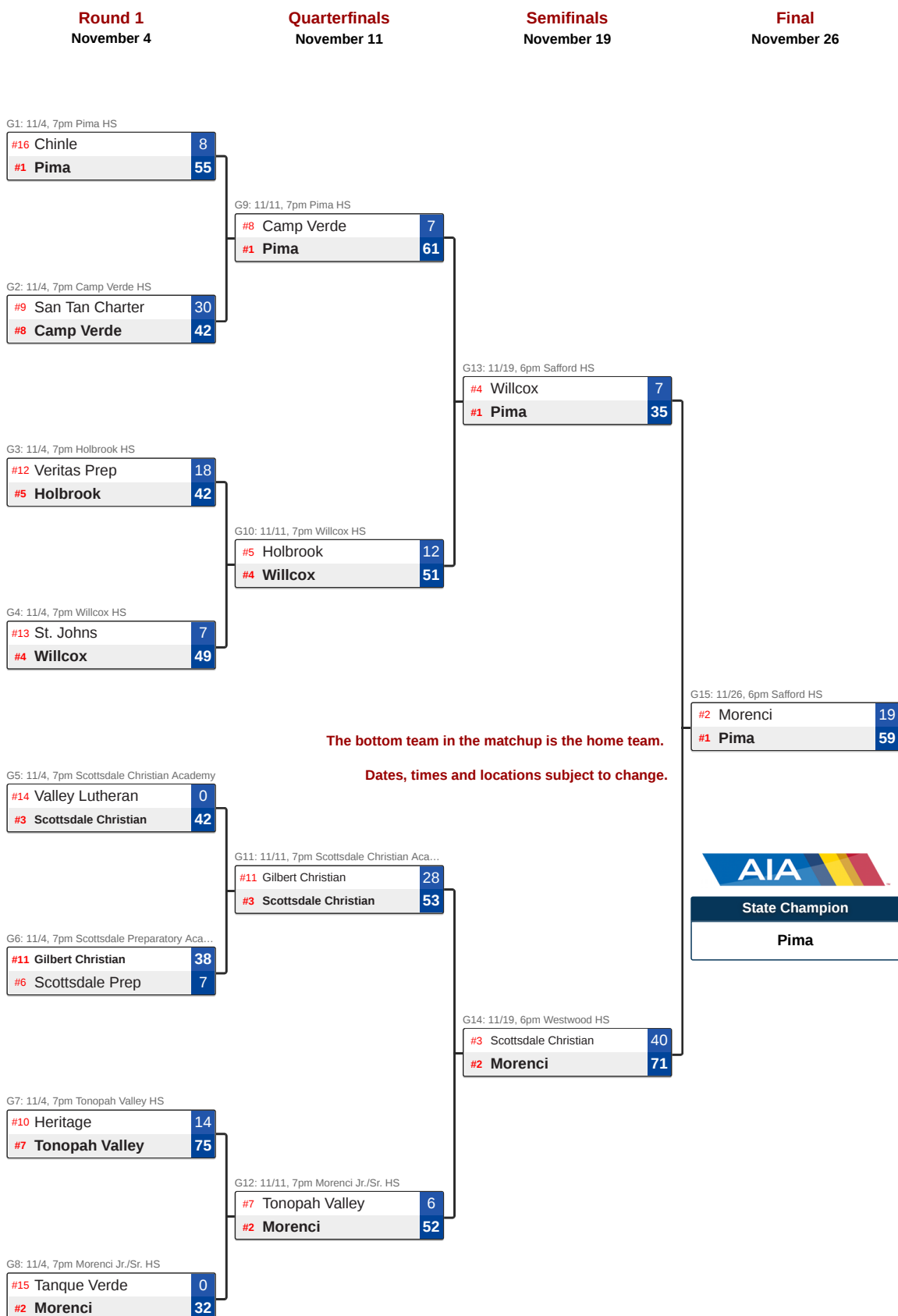
# 2022 AIA 11 man Football

## 3A State Championship





# 2022 AIA 11 man Football 2A State Championship





# 2022 AIA 8 man Football 1A State Championship



**Round 1**  
October 21

**Quarterfinals**  
October 28

**Semifinals**  
November 4 - November 5

**Final**  
November 12

G1: 10/21, 7pm Superior Jr/Sr HS

#9 San Manuel Jr./Sr.	50
#8 Superior Jr./Sr.	20

G5: 10/28, 7pm Hayden HS

#9 San Manuel Jr./Sr.	20
#1 Hayden	82

G9: 11/4, 7pm Coronado HS

#4 Williams	56
#1 Hayden	38

G2: 10/21, 7pm Salome HS

#12 Lincoln Prep	0
#5 Salome	72

G6: 10/28, 7pm Williams HS

#5 Salome	0
#4 Williams	67

G11: 11/12, 6pm Coronado HS

#4 Williams	22
#3 Mogollon	51

The bottom team in the matchup is the home team.

Dates, times and locations subject to change.

G3: 10/21, 7pm Scottsdale Preparatory Ac...

#11 Joseph City	33
#6 Cicero Prep	24

G7: 10/28, 7pm Mogollon HS

#11 Joseph City	19
#3 Mogollon	68

G10: 11/5, 6pm Coronado HS

#3 Mogollon	48
#2 St. David	39

G4: 10/21, 7pm Bagdad HS

#10 El Capitan / Academy	22
#7 Bagdad	46

G8: 10/28, 7pm St. David

#7 Bagdad	26
#2 St. David	70





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# AIA Football Championships

## Team Champions and Runners-Up

Year	Conf/Div	Champion	Coach	Runner-Up	Coach	Score
1959	AA C	(TIE) Yuma Union (8-1-2) Lakeside (8-0)	Marv Rosengarten Bob Schneider	South Mountain (8-0-2) Patagonia (7-1)	Earl Clupper Reg LeFevre	7-7 34-19
1960	AA A C	Mesa (10-1-1) Arcadia (12-0) St. David (8-0)	Edgar "Mutt" Ford Bob Hendricks Jim Crawford	Yuma Union (8-2-1) Douglas (9-2) Tuba City (7-2-1)	Marv Rosengarten Charles Willingham Buster Madriaga	27-6 21-13 40-21
1961	AA C	Pueblo (8-4) Pima (8-1)	Lou Farber Ed Hubbard	St. Mary's (8-2-1) Grand Canyon (7-2)	Jack Stovall Bob Clark	16-14 32-19
1962	AA C	Arcadia (10-1) Camp Verde (7-1)	Bob Hendricks Jesse Batina	Tucson (10-1) Patagonia (6-2)	John Mallamo Reg LeFevre	40-7 32-31
1963	AA C	Mesa (11-0) Camp Verde (7-1)	Royal Price Jesse Batina	Rincon (8-2-1) Patagonia (6-2)	Bill Lovin Reg LeFevre	28-0 44-18
1964	AA A B C	Westwood (12-0) Winslow (10-0) Marana (11-0) McNary (7-0)	Edgar "Mutt" Ford Emil Nasser Duane Morrison Pete Duca	Camelback (11-1) Flowing Wells (7-4) Willcox (8-3) Patagonia (6-2)	Don Baker Larry Hart Lee Barnes Reg LeFevre	10-7 7-0 14-7 27-13
1965	AA A B C	Tucson (12-0) Santa Cruz Valley (12-0) Ray (11-0) McNary (8-0)	John Mallamo Lonnie Foster Wayne Smith Pete Duca	Yuma Union (9-3) Peoria (9-2) Clifton (6-4) Pima (7-2)	Frank Thomas Ray Mitokawa Cruz Salas Max Peck	27-6 27-7 33-0 31-21
1966	AA A B C	Tucson (11-1) Santa Cruz Valley (10-2) Round Valley (11-0) McNary (8-0)	John Mallamo Lonnie Foster Rance Smith Pete Duca	Westwood (10-2) Agua Fria (9-2) Antelope (9-2-1) St. David (7-1)	Edgar "Mutt" Ford Glen Hamby Jerry Loper Jim Crawford	14-7 16-13 32-6 53-6
1967	AA A B C	St. Mary's (13-0) Coolidge (12-0) Marana (10-0-1) Fredonia (7-0)	Ed Doherty Alva Hawkins Don Hawkins C.A. "Mont" Griffiths	Pueblo (11-2) Snowflake (8-3) Parker (8-3) Valley Union (6-2)	Lou Farber Lee Rasmussen Thurman Simmons John Grimes	34-22 7-6 40-0 71-7
1968	AAA AA A B C	St. Mary's (11-1) Coconino (6-4) Coolidge (12-0) Marana (11-0) Fredonia (7-0)	Ed Doherty Bill Epperson Alva Hawkins Don Hawkins C.A. "Mont" Griffiths	Douglas (10-2-1) Flowing Wells (7-2-1) Peoria (9-2) Round Valley (10-1) Pima (6-1)	Ike Sharp Larry Hart Ray Mitokawa Diz Reeves Ed Hubbard	27-14 6-0 27-20 21-6 32-21
1969	AAA AA A B C	Central (13-0) Safford (11-0) Santa Cruz Valley (12-0) Florence (12-1) Pima (8-0)	Ray Laing Dick Pottle Lonnie Foster Wayland Harris Ed Hubbard	St. Mary's (11-1) Winslow (8-2) Ajo (9-2) Round Valley (9-2) Fredonia (6-1)	Ed Doherty Emil Nasser Tom Dingman Diz Reeves C.A. "Mont" Griffiths	14-7 26-24 22-13 6-0 66-20
1970	AAA AA A B C	Tucson (12-0) Agua Fria (9-2) Parker (9-0-2) Round Valley (12-0) Pima (10-0)	Ollie Mayfield Ron Horn John Mundell Diz Reeves Ed Hubbard	Sunnyslope (10-3) Safford (11-1) Snowflake (6-3-1) Williams (10-1) Fredonia (6-2)	Bill Buck Dick Pottle Monty Harris Art Sharpe C.A. "Mont" Griffiths	54-16 48-26 16-13 38-8 44-0
1971	AAA AA A B C	Tucson (11-1) Safford (11-0) Parker (9-2) Round Valley (11-1) Fredonia (8-0)	Ollie Mayfield Dick Pottle John Mundell Diz Reeves C.A. "Mont" Griffiths	Tempe (11-2) Flowing Wells (10-1) Ajo (9-2-1) Gilbert (10-1) Pima (8-1)	Allen Benedict Larry Hart Tom Dingman Jim Wall Ed Hubbard	20-14 28-10 41-19 13-12 57-28



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Year	Conf/Div	Champion	Coach	Runner-Up	Coach	Score
1972	AAA	Central (13-0)	Ray Laing	Brophy Prep (9-3)	Trevor Stinson	21-0
	AA	Agua Fria (6-3-2)	Ron Horn	Flowing Wells (9-1-1)	Larry Hart	35-21
	A	Miami (11-1)	Harvey Keeney	Santa Cruz Valley (11-1)	Jay Denton	22-21
	B	Hayden (10-1)	Bobby Lorona	Blue Ridge (11-1)	Joe Girardi	22-12
	C	St. David (9-0)	Jim Crawford	Fredonia (6-2)	C.A. "Mont" Griffiths	36-22
1973	AAA	Palo Verde (13-0)	Van Howe	Camelback (11-2)	Jesse Parker	22-20
	AA	Coconino (8-2-1)	Bill Epperson	Flowing Wells (8-1-2)	Larry Hart	14-3
	A	Gilbert (11-0)	Dan Dunn	Morenci (10-3)	Vern Friedli	27-6
	B	Mohave (9-2)	Fred Skoglund	Florence (9-5)	Tom Shoemake	12-0
	C	Pima (8-0)	Roger Smith	Fredonia (8-1)	C.A. "Mont" Griffiths	36-21
1974	AAA	Camelback (12-0-1)	Jesse Parker	St. Mary's (12-1)	Pat Lavin	22-20
	AA	Coconino (10-1)	Bill Epperson	Douglas (7-4)	Ken Sawin	21-14
	A	Gerard (10-1)	Jim Relph	Lake Havasu (8-3)	Dean Nielson	12-10
	B	Blue Ridge (10-1)	Joe Girardi	Mohave (8-3)	Fred Skoglund	14-12
	C	Pima (9-0)	Dave Colborn	Seligman (6-4)	Terry Reeves	78-6
1975	AAA	Amphitheater (12-1)	Jerry Loper	Maryvale (12-1)	Bob Young	23-22
	AA	Flowing Wells (10-0)	Larry Hart	Snowflake (10-1)	Tot Workman	14-13
	A	Gilbert (10-2)	Dan Dunn	Page (9-2)	Jim Burton	17-0
	B	Apache Junction (10-2)	Jack Davis	Blue Ridge (9-2)	Charles Esquibel	30-6
	C	Mayer (9-0)	Dan Reid	Valley Union (8-1)	L.W. Jackson	26-16
1976	AAA	Coronado (13-0)	Ed Anderson	South Mountain (9-4)	Earl Clupper	17-12
	AA	Canyon del Oro (11-0)	Bob Smith	Douglas (10-2)	Ken Sawin	24-15
	A	Morenci (11-1)	Cliff Martin	Page (4-7)	Dave Cripe	39-7
	B	St. Johns (8-3)	John Neagle	Payson (9-2)	Terry Nodlinski	25-12
	C	Tucson Deaf & Blind (7-2)	John Milford	Mayer (7-2)	Dan Reid	42-22
1977	AAA	McClintock (14-0)	Karl Kiefer	Washington (12-1)	Dave Swerdfeger	14-9
	AA	Canyon del Oro (9-1-1)	Bob Smith	Gilbert (9-3)	Dan Dunn	9-7
	A	Coolidge (10-2)	Jim Bollhauve	Willcox (9-3)	Boone Jackson	28-0
	B	Wickenburg (12-0)	Ralph Moran	Florence (8-3-1)	Rick Milot	10-7
	C	St. David (9-1)	Jim Crawford	Fredonia (9-1)	C.A. "Mont" Griffiths	22-6
1978	AAA	Mountain View (Mesa) (13-1)	Jesse Parker	Saguaro (10-4)	Bob Keller	41-23
	AA	Gilbert (12-1)	Dan Dunn	Tolleson (11-2)	Thurman Simmons	14-0
	A	Santa Cruz Valley (12-1)	Jay Denton	Willcox (10-3)	Larry Wooldridge	40-36
	B	St. Johns (10-2)	Mike Minick	Benson (9-2-1)	Mike Hayhurst	20-12
	C	Joseph City (11-0)	Charles Esquibel	Maricopa (10-1)	Al Cobb	24-7
1979	AAA	Amphitheater (13-0)	Vern Friedli	Mesa (8-6)	Ben Arredondo	27-0
	AA	Gerard (9-3)	John Carroll	Gilbert (11-2)	Dan Dunn	13-0
	A	Santa Cruz Valley (13-0)	Eddie Jones	Ray (10-2)	Tom Hurt	13-7
	B	Round Valley (12-0)	Tot Workman	Wickenburg (8-4)	Ralph Moran	14-8
	C	St. David (10-1)	Jim Crawford	Salome (10-1)	Richard Imhoff	28-22
1980	AAA	McClintock (12-2)	Karl Kiefer	Trevor Browne (11-3)	Bill Mitton	34-7
	AA	Corona del Sol (12-1)	Larry Hughes	Gerard (11-2)	John Carroll	23-14
	A	Santa Cruz Valley (12-1)	Jim Ewan	Buckeye (8-5)	Tim Logsdon	33-12
	B	Round Valley (12-0)	Tot Workman	Blue Ridge (7-5)	Tom Marsing	20-3
	C	Salome (11-0)	Richard Imhoff	Maricopa (7-3)	Tom Kunz	46-13
1981	AAA	Trevor Browne (12-2)	Bill Mitton	Salpointe Catholic (11-3)	Ed Doherty	20-0
	AA	Flagstaff (12-0-1)	Rick Smith	Gilbert (11-2)	Dan Dunn	15-12
	A	San Manuel (11-2)	Damon Becker	Buckeye (9-4)	Tim Logsdon	14-7
	B	Payson (12-0)	Terry Nodlinski	Blue Ridge (6-5)	Tom Marsing	17-7
	C	Maricopa (9-0)	Mark August	Suffolk Hills (10-1)	Steve Sorce	20-14
1982	AAA	Moon Valley (14-0)	Earl Putman	Trevor Browne (10-4)	Bill Mitton	20-7
	AA	Flagstaff (9-3)	Rick Smith	Flowing Wells (11-1)	Larry Gray	10-7
	A	Snowflake (12-0)	Gary Stoddard	Safford (9-2)	Dick Pottle	19-13
	B	Willcox (9-3)	Paul Hanley	Blue Ridge (9-2)	Tom Marsing	13-11
	C	Suffolk Hills (10-0)	Steve Sorce	Pima (9-2)	Brad Moon	23-14
1983	AAA	Mountain View (Mesa) (14-0)	Jesse Parker	McClintock (11-3)	Karl Kiefer	34-14
	AA	Flagstaff (11-1)	Rick Smith	Flowing Wells (8-3-1)	Larry Gray	24-7
	A	Coolidge (9-2)	Larry Delbridge	Mohave (7-5)	"Boone" Jackson	6-0
	B	Blue Ridge (11-0)	Tom Marsing	Florence (10-1)	Steve Moran	17-0
	C	Scottsdale Christian (11-0)	Jim Dean	Pima (10-1)	Tom Davis	19-0



## AIA Football Championships

Year	Conf/Div	Champion	Coach	Runner-Up	Coach	Score
1984	AAA	St. Mary's (12-2)	Pat Farrell	Sahuaro (9-4)	Howard Breinig	31-14
	AA	Flagstaff (9-2-1)	Rick Smith	Peoria (8-4)	Mark Matheson	7-0
	A	Coolidge (11-1)	Larry Delbridge	Round Valley (11-1)	Tot Workman	28-20
	B	Phoenix Christian (9-3)	Walt Beamis	Morenci (9-3)	Jack Edens	25-7
	C	Pima (9-1)	Tom Davis	Mayer (9-2)	Ray Dowdy	38-0
1985	3A Div. 1	St. Mary's (14-0)	Pat Farrell	Apollo (8-6)	Rudy Pacheco	11-7
	3A Div. 2	Gilbert (13-1)	Rick Dunn	Cactus (11-3)	Larry Fetkenhier	27-0
	A Div. 1	(TIE) Round Valley (11-1-1)	Tot Workman	Snowflake (10-2-1)	Richard Hoyt	21-21
	B	Phoenix Christian (10-2)	Walt Beamis	Florence (12-1)	Jim Wright	17-7
	C	Valley Union (11-0)	Gary Mauldin	Western Christian (10-1)	Brad Tarrant	26-20
1986	3A Div. 1	Mountain View (Mesa) (12-2)	Jesse Parker	Moon Valley (13-1)	Earl Putman	31-7
	3A Div. 2	Peoria (9-5)	Doug Clapp	Agua Fria (11-3)	Tom Wheatley	29-23
	A Div. 1	Snowflake (12-1)	Richard Hoyt	Payson (9-4)	Terry Nodlinski	7-0
	B	Thatcher (11-1)	Jesse Hughes	Willcox (10-3)	Larry Wooldridge	13-10
	C	Valley Union (9-2)	Gary Mauldin	NW Comm. Christian (9-2)	Dale Peterson	57-20
1987	3A Div. 1	Dobson (12-2)	Mike Clark	Mountain View (Mesa) (11-3)	Jesse Parker	35-14
	3A Div. 2	Peoria (12-2)	Doug Clapp	Cactus (12-1)	Larry Fetkenhier	28-6
	A Div. 1	Blue Ridge (11-3)	Paul Moro	Snowflake (11-2)	Ned Jolly	16-14
	B	Florence (13-0)	Tom Shoemake	Phoenix Christian (9-3)	Walt Beamis	35-19
	C	Patagonia (11-0)	Bill House	Valley Union (9-2)	Tom Davis	36-18
1988	3A Div. 1	Westwood (13-1)	Jerry Loper	Mountain View (Mesa) (12-2)	Jesse Parker	28-7
	3A Div. 2	Agua Fria (11-3)	Tom Wheatley	Peoria (11-3)	Doug Clapp	13-7
	A Div. 1	Snowflake (11-2)	Ned Jolly	Parker (9-4)	Robin Hondrum	21-0
	B	Thatcher (11-2)	Ed Shamey	Hayden (10-3)	Pete Guzman	20-6
	C	Patagonia (12-0)	Bill House	Scottsdale Christian (10-1)	Jack DeGrenier	38-26
1989	5A	McClintock (13-2)	Karl Kiefer	Westwood (11-3)	Jerry Loper	42-14
	4A	(TIE) Agua Fria (11-2-1)	Tom Wheatley	Tempe (13-1-1)	Jim Murphy	10-10
	3A	Blue Ridge (13-0)	Paul Moro	Show Low (9-4)	Gary Mauldin	37-27
	2A	Florence (13-0)	Tom Shoemake	Thatcher (9-4)	Ed Shamey	18-0
	1A	(TIE) Williams (8-2-1)	Rick Shipley	Scottsdale Christian (10-1-1)	Jack DeGrenier	22-22
1990	5A	Mesa (12-1-1)	Jim Rattay	Amphitheater (12-2)	Vern Friedli	21-7
	4A	Sabino (14-0)	Jeff Scurran	Peoria (13-1)	Doug Clapp	31-28
	3A	Blue Ridge (9-4)	Paul Moro	Miami (7-6)	Bill Johnson	39-17
	2A	Santa Cruz Valley (13-0)	Jay Denton	Superior (11-1)	Lee Peebles	33-7
	1A	Seligman (11-1)	Robert LaChat	Valley Union (10-2)	Tom Davis	56-0
1991	5A	St. Mary's (13-1)	Pat Farrell	Salpointe Catholic (10-3-1)	Pat Welchert	28-13
	4A	Agua Fria (12-2)	Tom Wheatley	Sahuaro (13-1)	Howard Breinig	28-0
	3A	Snowflake (11-1-1)	Jim Beall	Miami (12-1)	Bill Johnson	33-10
	2A	Florence (9-2-1)	Tom Shoemake	Ray (9-3)	Jeff Cude	10-6
	1A	(TIE) Patagonia (10-0-1)	Bill House	Fredonia (10-0-1)	C.A. "Mont" Griffiths	36-36
1992	5A	Mesa (13-1)	Jim Rattay	Mountain View (Mesa) (9-5)	Jesse Parker	14-8
	4A	Sabino (14-0)	Jeff Scurran	Washington (12-2)	Steve Chisman	28-3
	3A	Snowflake (10-3)	Jim Beall	Miami (10-3)	Bill Johnson	33-8
	2A	St. Johns (12-1)	Mike Morgan	Morenci (11-2)	Reynaldo Peru	20-8
	1A	Arizona Lutheran (11-0)	Doug Lange	Patagonia (10-1)	Bill House	56-14
1993	5A	Mountain View (Mesa) (13-1)	Jesse Parker	South Mountain (12-2)	Cleveland Dansby	38-7
	4A	Mountain View (Marana) (14-0)	Wayne Jones	Sahuaro (9-3-2)	Howard Breinig	63-32
	3A	Snowflake (11-2)	Neil Westover	Show Low (5-8)	Gary Mauldin	30-7
	2A	St. Johns (13-0)	Mike Morgan	Superior (9-4)	Tom Joseph	41-6
	1A	Williams (11-0)	Rick Shipley	Mayer (7-4)	Vince Cahill	68-40
1994	5A	Horizon (11-3)	Doug Shaffer	St. Mary's (12-2)	Pat Farrell	16-14
	4A	(TIE) Peoria (12-1-1)	Doug Clapp	Sahuaro (11-1-1)	Howard Breinig	17-17
	3A	Blue Ridge (13-0)	Paul Moro	Winslow (11-2)	Rich Hoyt	28-6
	2A	St. Johns (13-0)	Mike Morgan	Benson (12-1)	Pete Bearse	34-6
	1A	(TIE) Mogollon (10-0-1)	Tim Slade	Mayer (9-1-1)	Vince Cahill	20-20
1995	5A	St. Mary's (14-0)	Pat Farrell	Horizon (8-6)	Doug Shaffer	33-7
	4A	Saguaro (13-1)	Tim Beck	Ironwood (12-2)	Mark Matheson	42-7
	3A	Blue Ridge (13-0)	Paul Moro	Arizona Boys Ranch (9-4)	Richard Gray	41-13
	2A	Ray (13-0)	Jeff Cude	Thatcher (12-1)	Ed Shamey	28-6
	1A	Fredonia (11-2)	C.A. "Mont" Griffiths	Mogollon (9-1)	Rocky Nelson	38-32



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Year	Conf/Div	Champion	Coach	Runner-Up	Coach	Score
1996	5A	Mountain View (Mesa) (14-0)	Bernie Busken	Brophy Prep (12-2)	Tim Sanford	17-3
	4A	Tempe (14-0)	Tim McBurney	Ironwood (11-2-1)	Chuck Esquivel	20-17 (OT)
	3A	Blue Ridge (13-0)	Paul Moro	Arizona Boys Ranch (10-3)	Richard Gray	22-20
	2A	Phoenix Christian (13-0)	Keith Brown	Valley Christian (11-2)	Bernie Benson	28-6
	1A	NW Comm. Christian (10-1)	Charlie Bell	Scottsdale Christian (7-3)	Aaron Messner	48-6
1997	5A	Mountain View (Mesa) (14-0)	Bernie Busken	Amphitheater (13-1)	Vern Friedli	28-24
	4A	Mingus Union (13-0-1)	Bob Young	Sabino (13-1)	Jeff Scurran	23-14
	3A	Blue Ridge (13-0)	Paul Moro	Arizona Boys Ranch (12-1)	Gary Galante	27-21
	2A	Seton Catholic (10-2)	Joe Timpani	Superior (12-1)	Bryan Munoz	41-19
	1A	St. David (11-0)	John Bryant	Mogollon (9-2)	Ron Tenney	58-26
1998	5A	Desert Vista (14-0)	Jim Rattay	Brophy Prep (10-4)	Tim Sanford	38-31
	4A	Sabino (12-1-1)	Jeff Scurran	Agua Fria (12-2)	Mickey Bell	27-9
	3A	Payson (13-0)	Jim Beall	Blue Ridge (11-1)	Paul Moro	29-20
	2A	Thatcher (12-0)	Jim Hughes	Queen Creek (10-3)	Duane Madsen	28-12
	1A	St. David (11-0)	John Bryant	Orme School (10-1)	Bob Miller	48-30
1999	5A	Mountain View (Mesa) (13-1)	Bernie Busken	Sabino (13-1)	Jeff Scurran	21-14
	4A	Chaparral (14-0)	Ron Estabrook	Sahuaro (11-3)	Nemer Hassey	27-10
	3A	Show Low (12-1)	Bill Morgan	Blue Ridge (12-1)	Paul Moro	26-25
	2A	Phoenix Christian (12-1)	Keith Brown	Mogollon (10-3)	Ron Tenney	46-15
	1A	Joseph City (10-1)	Eldon Larsen	Fredonia (6-3)	C.A. "Mont" Griffiths	42-0
2000	5A	Red Mountain (12-2)	Jimmy Jones	Westwood (10-4)	Roger Suchomel	20-10
	4A	Chaparral (14-0)	Ron Estabrook	Sunnyside (13-1)	Richard Sanchez	28-14
	3A	Blue Ridge (13-0)	Paul Moro	Parker (10-3)	David Partridge	67-19
	2A	Thatcher (11-0)	Don Conrad	St. Johns (11-2)	Mike Morgan	14-13
	1A	St. David (10-0)	John Bryant	Bagdad (9-1)	Pat Ruiz	50-8
2001	5A	Red Mountain (13-1)	Jimmy Jones	Hamilton (12-2)	John Wrenn	13-10
	4A	Sunnyside (13-1)	Richard Sanchez	Greenway (11-3)	Mike Brown	28-6
	3A	Blue Ridge (13-0)	Paul Moro	Coolidge (12-1)	Carlo Hernandez	58-8
	2A	Thatcher (12-1)	Don Conrad	Phoenix Christian (11-3)	Keith Brown	35-26
	1A	St. David (10-0)	John Bryant	Joseph City (9-2)	Eldon Larsen	57-43
2002	5A	Mountain View (Mesa) (14-0)	Tom Joseph	Ironwood (10-4)	Chuck Esquivel	50-8
	4A	Chaparral (13-1)	Ron Estabrook	Greenway (12-2)	Mike Brown	21-14
	3A	Globe (12-1)	Roger Schenks	Coolidge (11-2)	Carlo Hernandez	34-19
	2A	St. Johns (12-1)	Mike Morgan	NW Comm. Christian (11-2)	Derek Wahlstrom	28-7
	1A	Joseph City (10-1)	Bryan Fields	Salome (7-4)	Bernon Benson	44-7
2003	5A	Hamilton (13-1)	John Wrenn	Mountain View (Mesa) (13-1)	Tom Joseph	35-28 (3OT)
	4A	Sunnyside (12-2)	Richard Sanchez	Cactus (12-2)	Larry Fetkenhier	21-13
	3A	Show Low (13-0)	Jeremy Hathcock	Seton Catholic (11-3)	Pete Wahlheim	35-14
	2A	Phoenix Christian (13-0)	Jim Rattay	St. Johns (11-1-1)	Mike Morgan	24-7
	1A	Mogollon (10-1)	Ron Tenney	Pima (9-2)	John Bryant	42-32
2004	5A	Hamilton (13-1)	John Wrenn	Mountain Ridge (9-5)	Steve Belles	31-7
	4A	Moon Valley (14-0)	Roger Britson	Cactus (12-2)	Larry Fetkenhier	45-34
	3A	Blue Ridge (13-0)	Paul Moro	Coolidge (13-1)	Carlo Hernandez	25-24
	2A	Phoenix Christian (9-2)	Jim Rattay	Valley Christian (12-1)	Sean Loomer	10-3
	1A	Pima (11-0)	John Bryant	Clifton (7-4)	Ray Alvarez	60-22
2005	5A Div. I	Brophy Prep (13-1)	Scooter Molander	Hamilton (13-1)	John Wrenn	15-14
	5A Div. II	North Canyon (14-0)	Brian Cole	Centennial (11-3)	Richard Taylor	27-16
	4A Div. I	Cactus (14-0)	Larry Fetkenhier	Sabino (10-4)	Jay Campos	30-7
	4A Div. II	Palo Verde (11-3)	Todd Mayfield	Mingus Union (11-3)	Bob Young	15-7
	3A	Coolidge (11-1)	Carlo Hernandez	Winslow (12-2)	Adam Larsen	34-19
	2A	Valley Christian (12-1)	Bill Morgan	Arizona Lutheran (12-2)	Doug Meyer	45-28
	1A	Pima (9-2)	John Bryant	Mayer (9-2)	Troy Head	40-34
2006	5A Div. I	Hamilton (13-1)	Steve Belles	Mountain View (Mesa) (12-2)	Tom Joseph	34-15
	5A Div. II	Centennial (14-0)	Richard Taylor	Sunnyside (11-3)	Richard Sanchez	34-0
	4A Div. I	Saguaro (13-1)	Mike Reardon	Sabino (12-2)	Jay Campos	41-21
	4A Div. II	Cactus Shadows (15-0)	Chad DeGrenier	Higley (11-3)	Jim Beall	28-14
	3A	Coolidge (12-1)	Carlo Hernandez	Wickenburg (13-1)	Norris Vaughan	28-21
	2A	Thatcher (11-3)	Don Conrad	Valley Christian (9-4)	Bill Morgan	42-20
	1A	Mayer (12-0)	Troy Head	Mogollon (9-3)	Ron Tenney	28-20



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2007	5A Div. I	Brophy Prep (12-2)	Scooter Molander	Desert Vista (9-5)	Dan Hinds	34-21
	5A Div. II	Centennial (13-1)	Richard Taylor	Westview (10-4)	Jeff Bowen	26-7
	4A Div. I	Saguaro (14-0)	John Sanders	Canyon del Oro (12-2)	Pat Nugent	23-21
	4A Div. II	Notre Dame Prep (13-1)	Scott Bemis	Mingus Union (13-1)	Bob Young	49-32
	3A	Show Low (12-1)	Randy Ricedorff	Coolidge (10-3)	Carlo Hernandez	26-0
	2A	St. Johns (11-3)	Mike Morgan	Arizona Lutheran (11-3)	Doug Meyer	21-20
	1A	Valley Union (10-0)	Tony Luzania	Pima (9-2)	John Bryant	28-12
2008	5A Div. I	Hamilton (13-1)	Steve Belles	Brophy Prep (11-4)	Scooter Molander	17-10
	5A Div. II	Centennial (14-0)	Richard Taylor	Westview (12-2)	Jeff Bowen	20-7
	4A Div. I	Saguaro (14-0)	John Sanders	Chaparral (12-2)	Charlie Ragle	38-0
	4A Div. II	Notre Dame Prep (14-0)	Scott Bemis	Santa Rita (12-2)	Jeff Scurran	30-26
	3A	Payson (14-0)	Josh Anderson	Blue Ridge (12-2)	Paul Moro	34-33 (2OT)
	2A	St. Johns (14-0)	Mike Morgan	Phoenix Christian (13-1)	Bob Denson	42-17
	1A	Mogollon (10-1)	Ron Tenney	Pima (10-1)	John Bryant	66-34
2009	5A Div. I	Hamilton (14-0)	Steve Belles	Mesa (9-5)	Kelley Moore	35-0
	5A Div. II	Chaparral (13-1)	Charlie Ragle	Marcos de Niza (12-2)	Roy Lopez	34-21
	4A Div. I	Canyon del Oro (14-0)	Dusty Peace	Sabino (11-3)	Jay Campos	40-0
	4A Div. II	Cactus (13-1)	Larry Fetkenhier	Santa Rita (11-3)	Jeff Scurran	14-0
	3A	Blue Ridge (13-0)	Paul Moro	Show Low (10-4)	Randy Ricedorff	41-21
	2A	Valley Christian (12-1)	Bill Morgan	Willcox (11-3)	Jim Hughes	41-32
	1A	Joseph City (11-0)	John Bryant	Mogollon (10-2)	Ron Tenney	34-14
2010	5A Div. I	Hamilton (15-0)	Steve Belles	Desert Ridge (10-4)	Jeremy Hathcock	21-13
	5A Div. II	Chaparral (14-0)	Charlie Ragle	Centennial (12-2)	Richard Taylor	32-17
	4A Div. I	Saguaro (12-2)	John Sanders	Canyon del Oro (13-1)	Dusty Peace	41-34
	4A Div. II	Thunderbird (10-4)	Brent Wittenwyler	Williams Field (13-1)	Steve Campbell	25-22 (OT)
	3A	Show Low (13-1)	Randy Ricedorff	Blue Ridge (12-1)	Paul Moro	20-17
	2A	Northwest Christian (12-1)	Dave Inness	Yuma Catholic (12-2)	Rhett Stallworth	30-27
	1A	Joseph City (11-1)	John Bryant	Mogollon (10-1)	Tim Slade	28-18
2011	Div. I	Desert Vista (13-1)	Dan Hinds	Hamilton (13-1)	Steve Belles	45-19
	Div. II	Chaparral (14-1)	Charlie Ragle	Cienega (13-1)	Nemer Hassey	37-14
	Div. III	Saguaro (12-2)	John Sanders	Cactus (11-2)	Larry Fetkenhier	31-23
	Div. IV	Blue Ridge (14-0)	Paul Moro	Show Low (11-4)	Randy Ricedorff	35-14
	Div. V	Yuma Catholic (13-1)	Rhett Stallworth	Northwest Christian (13-1)	David Inness	21-19
	Div. VI	Joseph City (10-0)	John Bryant	Joy Christian (10-1)	Brian Cole	38-6
2012	Div. I	Hamilton (12-2)	Steve Belles	Mountain Pointe (12-2)	Norris Vaughan	31-16
	Div. II	Ironwood Ridge (13-1)	Matt Johnson	Centennial (12-2)	Richard Taylor	27-3
	Div. III	Queen Creek (14-0)	Joe Germaine	Desert Edge (13-1)	Rich Wellbrock	9-7
	Div. IV	Seton Catholic (13-1)	Rex Bowser	Blue Ridge (14-1)	Paul Moro	28-7
	Div. V	Northwest Christian (13-1)	David Inness	Morenci (13-1)	Frank Ogas	21-7
	Div. VI	Joy Christian (11-0)	Brian Cole	Pima (10-1)	Jace Hancock	60-24
2013	Div. I	Mountain Pointe (14-0)	Norris Vaughan	Hamilton (11-2)	Steve Belles	42-19
	Div. II	Salpointe Catholic (14-0)	Dennis Bene	Chaparral (12-2)	David Huffine	46-20
	Div. III	Saguaro (13-1)	Jason Mohns	Queen Creek (11-3)	Travis Schureman	47-25
	Div. IV	Blue Ridge (12-2)	Paul Moro	River Valley (12-2)	Terry Staggs	17-7
	Div. V	Yuma Catholic (11-2)	Rhett Stallworth	Round Valley (12-2)	Marcus Bell	63-35
	Div. VI	Bagdad (10-0)	Dalton Mills	Mogollon (10-2)	Tim Slade	44-20
2014	Div. I	Chandler (13-1)	Shaun Aguano	Hamilton (12-2)	Steve Belles	28-7
	Div. II	Centennial (12-2)	Richard Taylor	Liberty (12-2)	Danny Filleman	26-14
	Div. III	Saguaro (14-0)	Jason Mohns	Williams Field (12-2)	Steve Campbell	45-21
	Div. IV	River Valley (13-1)	P. Duchaineau/M. Ruckle	Snowflake (12-2)	Ron Tenney	28-21
	Div. V	Yuma Catholic (14-0)	Rhett Stallworth	Tempe Prep (12-2)	Tommy Brittain	38-27
	Div. VI	Mogollon (10-1)	Tim Slade	Bagdad (9-1)	Dalton Mills	14-8
2015	Div. I	Centennial (12-2)	Richard Taylor	Desert Ridge (11-3)	Jeremy Hathcock	28-6
	Div. II	Saguaro (12-2)	Jason Mohns	Marcos de Niza (12-3)	Sean Morin	38-20
	Div. III	Desert Edge (12-2)	Rich Wellbrock	Paradise Valley (13-1)	Greg Davis	29-27
	Div. IV	Pusch Ridge (13-1)	Troy Cropp	Northwest Christian (11-3)	Dave Inness	14-7
	Div. V	Joy Christian (13-0)	Brian Cole	Benson (13-1)	Chris Determan	27-7
	Div. VI	Pima (12-0)	Jace Hancock	Valley Union (9-2)	Tony Luzania	59-32



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Year	Conf/Div	Champion	Coach	Runner-Up	Coach	Score
2016	6A	Chandler (13-2)	Shaun Aguano	Mountain Pointe (13-1)	Norris Vaughn	36-17
	5A	Williams Field (14-0)	Steve Campbell	Centennial (12-2)	Richard Taylor	14-6
	4A	Saguaro (14-0)	Jason Mohns	Catalina Foothills (11-3)	Jeff Scurran	42-14
	3A	ALA-Queen Creek (13-1)	Rich Edwards	Sabino (12-2)	Jay Campos	31-14
	2A	Thatcher (12-2)	Sean Hinton	Round Valley (13-1)	Marcus Bell	33-28
	1A	Bagdad (11-0)	Dalton Mills	Williams (9-2)	Jeff Brownlee	60-6
2017	6A	Chandler (12-2)	Shaun Aguano	Perry (12-2)	Preston Jones	49-42
	5A	Centennial (12-1)	Richard Taylor	Notre Dame Prep (13-1)	George Prelock	42-21
	4A	Saguaro (12-2)	Jason Mohns	Salpointe Catholic (12-2)	Dennis Bene	28-7
	3A	Casteel (14-0)	Spencer Stowers	Pusch Ridge (13-1)	Jerry Harris	35-28
	2A	Thatcher (13-1)	Sean Hinton	Santa Cruz Valley (12-1)	Rishard Davis	28-27 (OT)
	1A	Williams (9-2)	Jeff Brownlee	Superior (9-2)	Ryan Palmer	57-14
2018	6A	Chandler (13-1)	Shaun Aguano	Perry (11-3)	Preston Jones	65-28
	5A	Centennial (14-0)	Richard Taylor	Notre Dame Prep (13-1)	George Prelock	60-7
	4A	Saguaro (13-1)	Jason Mohns	Salpointe Catholic (13-1)	Dennis Bene	42-16
	3A	Northwest Christian (13-1)	David Inness	Yuma Catholic (11-3)	Rhett Stallworth	40-37 (3OT)
	2A	Thatcher (14-0)	Ramon Morales	Round Valley (11-3)	Marcus Bell	35-12
	1A	Superior (11-0)	Ryan Palmer	Hayden (8-4)	John Estrada	70-20
2019	Open	Chandler (13-0)	Rick Garretson	Saguaro (11-2)	Jason Mohns	42-35
	6A	Liberty (10-4)	Mark Smith	Red Mountain (12-2)	Mike Peterson	34-28 (OT)
	5A	Williams Field (12-2)	Steve Campbell	Campo Verde (10-4)	Max Ragsdale	19-0
	4A	Mesquite (11-3)	Scott Hare	Desert Edge (10-4)	Jose Lucero	28-23
	3A	ALA-Queen Creek (13-1)	Rich Edwards	Benjamin Franklin (12-2)	Dave Jefferies	24-6
	2A	Round Valley (11-2)	Marcus Bell	Phoenix Christian (12-2)	Brian Cole	34-28
	1A	Williams (10-1)	Jeff Brownlee	Superior (9-2)	Ryan Palmer	35-20
2020	Open	Chandler (10-0)	Rick Garretson	Hamilton (8-2)	Michael Zdebski	23-21
	6A	Chaparral (6-2)	Brent Barnes	Highland (7-4)	Brock Farrel	24-14
	5A	Sunrise Mountain (9-2)	Steve Decker	Ironwood (7-3)	Chris Rizzo	42-20
	4A	Mesquite (9-1)	Scott Hare	Cactus (8-3)	Joseph Ortiz	39-38
	3A	Snowflake (10-1)	Kay Solomon	Yuma Catholic (10-1)	Rhett Stallworth	38-14
	2A	Santa Cruz Valley (9-1)	Rishard Davis	Benson (9-1)	Chris Determan	42-7
	1A	Mogollon (9-0)	Richard Samon	Williams (6-2)	Jeff Brownlee	38-30
2021	Open	Saguaro (12-1)	Jason Mohns	Chandler (11-2)	Rick Garretson	20-15
	6A	Highland (11-3)	Brock Farrel	Chaparral (9-5)	Brent Barnes	31-10
	5A	Horizon (12-2)	Andy Litten	Salpointe Catholic (11-3)	Eric Rogers	38-28
	4A	Casa Grande (13-0)	Jake Barro	Poston Butte (11-3)	Dain Thompson	33-28
	3A	Snowflake (13-1)	Kay Solomon	Yuma Catholic (12-1)	Rhett Stallworth	10-3
	2A	Arizona Lutheran (13-1)	David Peter	Morenci (11-3)	Joe Garcia	28-14
	1A	Mogollon (12-0)	Richard Samon	St. David (10-2)	Braden Davis	58-12
2022	Open	Basha (12-1)	Chris McDonald	Saguaro (9-4)	Jason Mohns	28-21
	6A	Highland (11-3)	Brock Farrel	Pinnacle (9-5)	Dana Zupke	37-26
	5A	Higley (12-2)	Eddy Zubey	Cactus (10-4)	Brian Belles	41-21
	4A	ALA-Gilbert North (12-2)	Randy Ricedorff	Snowflake (10-4)	Kay Solomon	28-14
	3A	Eastmark (13-1)	Scooter Molander	Thatcher (13-1)	Daniel Jones	42-21
	2A	Pima (13-1)	Josh Wilkins	Morenci (12-2)	Joe Garcia	59-19
	1A	Mogollon (10-2)	Richard Samon	Williams (10-2)	Jeff Brownlee	51-22

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## Team Records

### Championships Won

**15 - Blue Ridge:** 1974 (B), 1983 (B), 1987 (A Div. 1), 1989 (3A), 1990 (3A), 1994 (3A), 1995 (3A), 1996 (3A), 1997 (3A), 2000 (3A), 2001 (3A), 2004 (3A), 2009 (3A), 2011 (Div. IV), 2013 (Div. IV).

**13 - Saguaro:** 1995 (4A), 2006 (4A Div. I), 2007 (4A Div. I), 2008 (4A Div. I), 2010 (4A Div. I), 2011 (Div. III), 2013 (Div. III), 2014 (Div. III), 2015 (Div. II), 2016 (4A), 2017 (4A), 2018 (4A), 2021 (Open).

**10 - Pima:** 1961 (C), 1969 (C), 1970 (C), 1973 (C), 1974 (C), 1984 (C), 2004 (1A), 2005 (1A), 2015 (1A), 2022 (2A).

**9 - Snowflake:** 1982 (A), 1985 (A Div. 1), 1986 (A Div. 1), 1988 (A Div. 1), 1991 (3A), 1992 (3A), 1993 (3A), 1990 (3A), 2021 (3A).

**9 - Thatcher:** 1986 (B), 1988 (B), 1998 (2A), 2000 (2A), 2001 (2A), 2006 (2A), 2016 (2A), 2017 (2A), 2018 (2A).

**8 - Mountain View (Mesa):** 1978 (AAA), 1983 (3A Div. 1), 1986 (3A Div. 1), 1993 (5A), 1996 (5A), 1997 (5A), 1999 (5A), 2002 (5A).

**8 - Santa Cruz Valley:** 1965 (A), 1966 (A), 1969 (A), 1978 (A), 1979 (A), 1980 (A), 1990 (2A), 2020 (2A).

**8 - St. David:** 1960 (C), 1972 (C), 1977 (C), 1979 (C), 1997 (1A), 1998 (1A), 2000 (1A), 2001 (1A).

**8 - St. Johns:** 1976 (B), 1978 (B), 1992 (2A), 1993 (2A), 1994 (2A), 2002 (2A), 2007 (2A), 2008 (2A).

**7 - Centennial:** 2006 (5A Div. II), 2007 (5A Div. II), 2008 (5A Div. II), 2014 (Div. II), 2015 (Div. II), 2017 (5A), 2018 (5A).

**7 - Chaparral:** 1999 (4A), 2000 (4A), 2002 (4A), 2009 (5A Div. II), 2010 (5A Div. II), 2011 (Div. II), 2020 (6A).

**7 - Coolidge:** 1967 (A), 1968 (A), 1977 (A), 1983 (A), 1984 (A), 2005 (3A), 2006 (3A).

**7 - Hamilton:** 2003 (5A), 2004 (5A), 2006 (5A Div. I), 2008 (5A Div. I), 2009 (5A Div. I), 2010 (5A Div. I), 2012 (Div. I).

**7 - Mogollon:** 1994 (1A), (1A), 2003 (1A), 2008 (1A), 2014 (Div. VI), 2020 (1A), 2021 (1A), 2022 (1A).

**7 - Round Valley:** 1966 (B), 1970 (B), 1971 (B), 1979 (B), 1980 (B), 1985 (A Div. 1), 2019 (2A).

**6 - Agua Fria:** 1970 (AA), 1972 (AA), 1988 (3A Div. 2), 1989 (4A), 1991 (4A), 1998 (4A).

**6 - Chandler:** 2014 (Div. I), 2016 (6A), 2017 (6A), 2018 (6A), 2019 (Open), 2020 (Open).

**6 - Joseph City:** 1978 (C), 1999 (1A), 2002 (1A), 2009 (1A), 2010 (1A), 2011 (1A).

**6 - Phoenix Christian:** 1984 (B), 1985 (B), 1996 (2A), 1999 (2A), 2003 (2A), 2004 (2A).

**6 - St. Mary's:** 1967 (AA), 1968 (AAA), 1984 (AAA), 1985 (3A Div. 1), 1991 (5A), 1995 (5A).

**4 - Flagstaff:** 1981 (AA), 1982 (AA), 1983 (AA), 1984 (AA).

**4 - Florence:** 1969 (B), 1973 (B), 1977 (B), 1991 (2A).

**4 - Fredonia:** 1967 (C), 1968 (C), 1971 (C), 1995 (1A).

**4 - Gilbert:** 1973 (A), 1975 (A), 1978 (AA), 1985 (3A Div. 2).

**4 - Mesa:** 1960 (AA), 1963 (AA), 1990 (5A), 1992 (5A).

**4 - Northwest Christian:** 1996 (1A), 2010 (2A), 2012 (Div. V), 2018 (3A).

**4 - Show Low:** 1999 (3A), 2003 (3A), 2007 (3A), 2010 (3A).

**4 - Tucson:** 1965 (AA), 1966 (AA), 1970 (AAA), 1971 (AAA).

**4 - Williams:** 1989 (1A), 1993 (1A), 2017 (1A), 2019 (1A).

**3 - Cactus:** 2005 (4A Div. I), 2006 (4A Div. II), 2009 (4A Div. II).

**3 - Canyon del Oro:** 1976 (AA), 1977 (AA), 2009 (4A Div. I).

**3 - Coconino:** 1968 (AA), 1973 (AA), 1974 (AA).

**3 - Marana:** 1964 (B), 1967 (B), 1968 (B).

**3 - Mayer:** 1975 (C), 1994 (1A), 2006 (1A).

**3 - McClintock:** 1977 (AAA), 1980 (AAA), 1989 (5A).

**3 - McNary:** 1964 (C), 1965 (C), 1966 (C).

**3 - Patagonia:** 1987 (C), 1988 (C), 1991 (1A).

**3 - Payson:** 1981 (B), 1998 (3A), 2008 (3A).

**3 - Peoria:** 1986 (3A Div. 2), 1987 (3A Div. 2), 1994 (4A).

**3 - Sabino:** 1990 (4A), 1992 (4A), 1998 (4A).

**3 - Valley Union:** 1985 (C), 1986 (C), 2007 (1A).

**3 - Westwood:** 1964 (AA), 1988 (3A Div. 1), 2000 (5A).

**3 - Yuma Catholic:** 2011 (Div. V), 2013 (Div. V), 2014 (Div. V).

**2 - ALA-Queen Creek:** 2016 (3A), 2019 (3A).

**2 - Amphitheater:** 1974 (AAA), 1979 (AAA).

**2 - Arcadia:** 1960 (AA), 1962 (AA).

**2 - Arizona Lutheran:** 1992 (1A), 2021 (2A).

**2 - Bagdad:** 2013 (Div. VI), 2016 (1A).

**2 - Brophy Prep:** 2005 (5A Div. I), 2007 (5A Div. I).

**2 - Camp Verde:** 1962 (C), 1963 (C).

**2 - Central:** 1969 (AAA), 1972 (AAA).

**2 - Desert Vista:** 1998 (5A), 2011 (Div. I).

**2 - Gerard:** 1974 (A), 1979 (AA).

**2 - Highland:** 2021 (6A), 2022 (6A).

**2 - Horizon:** 1994 (5A), 2021 (5A).

**2 - Joy Christian:** 2012 (Div. VI), 2015 (Div. V).

**2 - Mesquite:** 2019 (4A), 2020 (4A).

**2 - Moon Valley:** 1982 (AAA), 2004 (4A).

**2 - Notre Dame Prep:** 2007 (4A Div. II), 2008 (4A Div. II).

**2 - Palo Verde:** 1973 (AAA), 2005 (4A Div. II).

**2 - Parker:** 1970 (A), 1971 (A).

**2 - Ray:** 1965 (B), 1995 (2A).

**2 - Red Mountain:** 2000 (5A), 2001 (5A).

**2 - Safford:** 1969 (AA), 1971 (AA).

**2 - Scottsdale Christian:** 1983 (C), 1989 (1A).

**2 - Seton Catholic:** 1997 (2A), 2012 (Div. IV).

**2 - Tempe:** 1989 (4A), 1996 (4A).

**2 - Valley Christian:** 2005 (2A), 2009 (2A).

**2 - Williams Field:** 2016 (5A), 2019 (5A).

**1 - ALA-Gilbert North:** 2022 (4A).

**1 - Apache Junction:** 1975 (B).

**1 - Basha:** 2022 (Open).

**1 - Cactus Shadows:** 2006 (4A Div. II).

**1 - Camelback:** 1974 (AAA).

**1 - Casa Grande:** 2021 (4A).

**1 - Casteel:** 2017 (3A).

**1 - Corona del Sol:** 1980 (AA).

**1 - Coronado:** 1976 (AAA).

**1 - Desert Edge:** 2015 (Div. III).

**1 - Dobson:** 1987 (3A Div. 1).

**1 - Eastmark:** 2022 (3A).

**1 - Flowing Wells:** 1975 (AA).

**1 - Globe:** 2002 (3A).

**1 - Hayden:** 1972 (B).

**1 - Higley:** 2022 (5A).

**1 - Ironwood Ridge:** 2012 (Div. II).

**1 - Lakeside:** 1959 (C).

**1 - Liberty:** 2019 (6A).

**1 - Maricopa:** 1981 (C).

**1 - Miami:** 1972 (A).

**1 - Mingus Union:** 1997 (4A).

**1 - Mohave:** 1973 (B).

**1 - Morenci:** 1976 (A).

**1 - Mountain Pointe:** 2013 (Div. I).

**1 - North Canyon:** 2005 (5A Div. II).

**1 - Pueblo:** 1961 (AA).

**1 - Pusch Ridge:** 2015 (Div. II).

**1 - Queen Creek:** 2012 (Div. III).

**1 - River Valley:** 2014 (Div. IV).

**1 - Sahuaro:** 1994 (4A).

**1 - Salome:** 1980 (C).

**1 - Salpointe Catholic:** 2013 (Div. II).

**1 - San Manuel:** 1981 (A).

**1 - Seligman:** 1990 (1A).

**1 - South Mountain:** 1959 (AA).

**1 - Suffolk Hills:** 1982 (C).

**1 - Sunrise Mountain:** 2020 (5A).

**1 - Superior:** 2018 (1A).

**1 - Thunderbird:** 2010 (4A Div. II).

**1 - Trevor Browne:** 1981 (AAA).

**1 - Tucson Deaf & Blind:** 1976 (C).

**1 - Wickenburg:** 1977 (B).

**1 - Willcox:** 1982 (B).

**1 - Winslow:** 1964 (A).

**1 - Yuma Union:** 1959 (AA).

### Most Consecutive Championships

**6 - Saguaro:** 2013 (Div. III), 2014 (Div. III), 2015 (Div. II), 2016 (4A), 2017 (4A), 2018 (4A).

**5 - Chandler:** 2016 (6A), 2017 (6A), 2018 (6A), 2019 (Open), 2020 (Open).

**4 - Blue Ridge:** 1994 (3A), 1995 (3A), 1996 (3A), 1997 (3A).

**4 - Flagstaff:** 1981 (AA), 1982 (AA), 1983 (AA), 1984 (AA).

**3 - Centennial:** 2006 (5A Div. II), 2007 (5A Div. II), 2008 (5A Div. II).

**3 - Chaparral:** 2009 (5A Div. II), 2010 (5A Div. II), 2011 (Div. II).

**3 - Hamilton:** 2008 (5A Div. I), 2009 (5A Div. I), 2010 (5A Div. I).

**3 - Joseph City:** 2009 (1A), 2010 (1A), 2011 (1A).

**3 - McNary:** 1964 (C), 1965 (C), 1966 (C).

**3 - Mogollon:** 2020 (1A), 2021 (1A), 2022 (1A).

**3 - Saguaro:** 2006 (4A Div. I), 2007 (4A Div. I), 2008 (4A Div. I).

**3 - Santa Cruz Valley:** 1978 (A), 1979 (A), 1980 (A).

**3 - Snowflake:** 1991 (3A), 1992 (3A), 1993 (3A).

**3 - St. Johns:** 1992 (2A), 1993 (2A), 1994 (2A).

**3 - Thatcher:** 2016 (2A), 2017 (2A), 2018 (2A).

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**3 - Mogollon:** 2020 (1A), 2021 (1A), 2022 (1A).

**2 - Highland:** 2021 (6A), 2022 (6A).



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**25 - Blue Ridge:** 1972 (B), 1974 (B), 1975 (B), 1980 (B), 1981 (B), 1982 (B), 1983 (B), 1987 (A Div. I), 1989 (3A), 1990 (3A), 1994 (3A), 1995 (3A), 1996 (3A), 1997 (3A), 1998 (3A), 1999 (3A), 2000 (3A), 2001 (3A), 2004 (3A), 2008 (3A), 2009 (3A), 2010 (3A), 2011 (Div. IV), 2012 (Div. IV), 2013 (Div. IV).

**19 - Pima:** 1961 (C), 1965 (C), 1968 (C), 1969 (C), 1970 (C), 1971 (C), 1973 (C), 1974 (C), 1982 (C), 1983 (C), 1984 (C), 2003 (1A), 2004 (1A), 2005 (1A), 2007 (1A), 2008 (1A), 2012 (1A), 2015 (1A), 2022 (2A).

**16 - Saguaro:** 1978 (AAA), 1995 (4A), 2006 (4A Div. I), 2007 (4A Div. I), 2008 (4A Div. I), 2010 (4A Div. I), 2011 (Div. III), 2013 (Div. III), 2014 (Div. III), 2015 (Div. II), 2016 (4A), 2017 (4A), 2018 (4A), 2019 (Open), 2021 (Open), 2022 (Open).

**15 - Snowflake:** 1967 (A), 1970 (A), 1975 (AA), 1982 (A), 1985 (A Div. I), 1986 (A Div. I), 1987 (A Div. I), 1988 (A Div. I), 1991 (3A), 1992 (3A), 1993 (3A), 2014 (Div. IV), 2020 (3A), 2021 (3A), 2022 (4A).

**14 - Mogollon:** 1994 (1A), 1995 (1A), 1997 (1A), 1999 (1A), 2003 (1A), 2006 (1A), 2008 (1A), 2009 (1A), 2010 (1A), 2013 (Div. VI), 2014 (Div. VI), 2020 (1A), 2021 (1A), 2022 (1A).

**13 - Hamilton:** 2001 (5A), 2003 (5A), 2004 (5A), 2005 (5A Div. I), 2006 (5A Div. I), 2008 (5A Div. I), 2009 (5A Div. I), 2010 (5A Div. I), 2011 (Div. I), 2012 (Div. I), 2013 (Div. I), 2014 (Div. I), 2020 (Open).

**13 - Mountain View (Mesa):** 1978 (AAA), 1983 (3A Div. I), 1986 (3A Div. I), 1987 (3A Div. I), 1988 (3A Div. I), 1992 (5A), 1993 (5A), 1996 (5A), 1997 (5A), 1999 (5A), 2002 (5A), 2003 (5A), 2006 (5A Div. I).

**13 - Round Valley:** 1966 (B), 1968 (B), 1969 (B), 1970 (B), 1971 (B), 1979 (B), 1980 (B), 1984 (A), 1985 (A Div. I), 2013 (Div. V), 2016 (2A), 2018 (2A), 2019 (2A).

**12 - Thatcher:** 1986 (B), 1988 (B), 1989 (2A), 1995 (2A), 1998 (2A), 2000 (2A), 2001 (2A), 2006 (2A), 2016 (2A), 2017 (2A), 2018 (2A), 2022 (3A).

**11 - Centennial:** 2005 (5A Div. II), 2006 (5A Div. II), 2007 (5A Div. II), 2008 (5A Div. II), 2010 (5A Div. II), 2012 (Div. II), 2014 (Div. II), 2015 (Div. II), 2016 (5A), 2017 (5A), 2018 (5A).

**11 - Coolidge:** 1967 (A), 1968 (A), 1977 (A), 1983 (A), 1984 (A), 2001 (3A), 2002 (3A), 2004 (3A), 2005 (3A), 2006 (3A), 2007 (3A).

**11 - Fredonia:** 1967 (C), 1968 (C), 1969 (C), 1970 (C), 1971 (C), 1972 (C), 1973 (C), 1977 (C), 1991 (1A), 1995 (1A), 1999 (1A).

**10 - Chaparral:** 1999 (4A), 2000 (4A), 2002 (4A), 2008 (4A Div. I), 2009 (5A Div. II), 2010 (5A Div. II), 2011 (Div. II), 2013 (Div. II), 2020 (6A), 2021 (6A).

**10 - Phoenix Christian:** 1984 (B), 1985 (B), 1987 (B), 1996 (2A), 1999 (2A), 2001 (2A), 2003 (2A), 2004 (2A), 2008 (2A), 2019 (2A).

**10 - Santa Cruz Valley:** 1965 (A), 1966 (A), 1969 (A), 1972 (A), 1978 (A), 1979 (A), 1980 (A), 1990 (2A), 2017 (2A), 2020 (2A).

**10 - St. David:** 1960 (C), 1966 (C), 1972 (C), 1977 (C), 1979 (C), 1997 (1A), 1998 (1A), 2000 (1A), 2001 (1A), 2021 (1A).

**10 - St. Johns:** 1976 (B), 1978 (B), 1992 (2A), 1993 (2A), 1994 (2A), 2000 (2A), 2002 (2A), 2003 (2A), 2007 (2A), 2008 (2A).

**10 - St. Mary's:** 1961 (AA), 1967 (AA), 1968 (AAA), 1969 (AAA), 1974 (AAA), 1984 (AAA), 1985 (3A Div. 1), 1991 (5A), 1994 (5A), 1995 (5A).

**9 - Cactus:** 1985 (3A Div. 2), 1987 (3A Div. 2), 2003 (4A), 2004 (4A), 2005 (4A Div. I), 2006 (4A Div. II), 2009 (4A Div. II), 2011 (Div. III), 2020 (4A).

**9 - Sabino:** 1990 (4A), 1992 (4A), 1997 (4A), 1998 (4A), 1999 (5A), 2005 (4A Div. I), 2006 (4A Div. I), 2009 (4A Div. I), 2016 (3A).

**8 - Agua Fria:** 1966 (A), 1970 (AA), 1972 (AA), 1986 (3A Div. 2), 1988 (3A Div. 2), 1989 (4A), 1991 (4A), 1998 (4A).

**8 - Florence:** 1969 (B), 1973 (B), 1977 (B), 1983 (B), 1985 (B), 1987 (B), 1989 (2A), 1991 (2A).

**8 - Flowing Wells:** 1964 (A), 1968 (AA), 1971 (AA), 1972 (AA), 1973 (AA), 1975 (AA), 1982 (AA), 1983 (AA).

**8 - Gilbert:** 1971 (B), 1973 (A), 1975 (A), 1977 (AA), 1978 (AA), 1979 (AA), 1981 (AA), 1985 (3A Div. 2).

**8 - Northwest Christian:** 1986 (C), 1996 (1A), 2002 (2A), 2010 (2A), 2011 (Div. V), 2012 (Div. V), 2015 (Div. IV), 2018 (3A).

**8 - Patagonia:** 1959 (C), 1962 (C), 1963 (C), 1964 (C), 1987 (C), 1988 (C), 1991 (1A), 1992 (1A).

**8 - Peoria:** 1965 (A), 1968 (A), 1984 (AA), 1986 (3A Div. 2), 1987 (3A Div. 2), 1988 (3A Div. 2), 1990 (4A), 1994 (4A).

**8 - Show Low:** 1989 (3A), 1993 (3A), 1999 (3A), 2003 (3A), 2007 (3A), 2009 (3A), 2010 (3A), 2011 (3A).

**8 - Valley Union:** 1967 (C), 1975 (C), 1985 (C), 1986 (C), 1987 (C), 1990 (C), 2007 (1A), 2015 (Div. VI).

**7 - Chandler:** 2014 (Div. I), 2016 (6A), 2017 (6A), 2018 (6A), 2019 (Open), 2020 (Open), 2021 (Open).

**7 - Joseph City:** 1978 (C), 1999 (1A), 2001 (1A), 2002 (1A), 2009 (1A), 2010 (1A), 2011 (1A).

**7 - Mayer:** 1975 (C), 1976 (C), 1984 (C), 1993 (1A), 1994 (1A), 2005 (1A), 2006 (1A).

**7 - Morenci:** 1973 (A), 1976 (A), 1984 (B), 1992 (2A), 2012 (Div. V), 2021 (2A), 2022 (2A).

**8 - Williams:** 1970 (B), 1989 (1A), 1993 (1A), 2016 (1A), 2017 (1A), 2019 (1A), 2020 (1A), 2022 (1A).

**7 - Yuma Catholic:** 2010 (2A), 2011 (Div. V), 2013 (Div. V), 2014 (Div. V), 2018 (3A), 2020 (3A), 2021 (3A).

**6 - Brophy Prep:** 1972 (AAA), 1996 (5A), 1998 (5A), 2005 (5A Div. I), 2007 (5A Div. I), 2008 (5A Div. I).

**6 - Mesa:** 1960 (AA), 1963 (AA), 1979 (AAA), 1990 (5A), 1992 (5A), 2009 (5A).

**6 - Salpointe Catholic:** 1981 (AAA), 1991 (5A), 2013 (Div. II), 2017 (4A), 2018 (4A), 2021 (5A).

**6 - Superior:** 1990 (2A), 1993 (2A), 1997 (2A), 2017 (1A), 2018 (1A), 2019 (1A).

**6 - Willcox:** 1964 (B), 1977 (A), 1978 (A), 1982 (B), 1986 (B), 2009 (2A).

**5 - Canyon del Oro:** 1976 (AA), 1977 (AA), 2007 (4A Div. I), 2009 (4A Div. I), 2010 (4A Div. I).

**5 - Parker:** 1967 (B), 1970 (A), 1971 (A), 1988 (A Div. I), 2000 (3A).

**5 - Payson:** 1976 (B), 1981 (B), 1986 (A Div. 1), 1998 (3A), 2008 (3A).

**5 - Sahuaro:** 1984 (AAA), 1991 (4A), 1993 (4A), 1994 (4A), 1999 (4A).

**5 - Tucson:** 1962 (AA), 1965 (AA), 1966 (AA), 1970 (AAA), 1971 (AAA).

**5 - Valley Christian:** 1996 (2A), 2004 (2A), 2005 (2A), 2006 (2A), 2009 (2A).

**5 - Westwood:** 1964 (AA), 1966 (AA), 1988 (3A Div. 1), 1989 (5A), 2000 (5A).

**4 - Amphitheater:** 1974 (AAA), 1979 (AAA), 1990 (5A), 1997 (5A).

**4 - Arizona Lutheran:** 1992 (1A), 2005 (2A), 2007 (2A), 2021 (2A).

**4 - Bagdad:** 2000 (1A), 2013 (Div. VI), 2014 (Div. VI), 2016 (1A).

**4 - Benson:** 1978 (B), 1994 (2A), 2015 (Div. V), 2020 (2A).

**4 - Douglas:** 1960 (A), 1968 (AAA), 1974 (AA), 1976 (AA).

**4 - Flagstaff:** 1981 (AA), 1982 (AA), 1983 (AA), 1984 (AA).

**4 - Ironwood:** 1995 (4A), 1996 (4A), 2002 (5A), 2020 (5A).

**4 - McClintock:** 1977 (AAA), 1980 (AAA), 1983 (AAA), 1989 (5A).

**4 - Miami:** 1972 (A), 1990 (3A), 1991 (3A), 1992 (3A).

**4 - Notre Dame Prep:** 2007 (4A Div. II), 2008 (4A Div. II), 2017 (5A), 2018 (5A).

**4 - Ray:** 1965 (B), 1979 (A), 1991 (2A), 1995 (2A).

**4 - Safford:** 1969 (AA), 1970 (AA), 1971 (AA), 1982 (A).

**4 - Scottsdale Christian:** 1983 (C), 1988 (C), 1989 (1A), 1996 (1A).

**4 - Sunnyside:** 2000 (4A), 2001 (4A), 2003 (4A), 2006 (5A Div. II).

**4 - Williams Field:** 2010 (4A Div. II), 2014 (Div. III), 2016 (5A), 2019 (5A).

**4 - Winslow:** 1964 (A), 1969 (AA), 1994 (3A), 2005 (3A).

**3 - Arizona Boys Ranch:** 1995 (3A), 1996 (3A), 1997 (3A).

**3 - Camelback:** 1964 (AA), 1973 (AAA), 1974 (AAA).

**3 - Coconino:** 1968 (AA), 1973 (AA), 1974 (AA).

**3 - Desert Edge:** 2012 (Div. III), 2015 (Div. III), 2019 (4A).

**3 - Desert Vista:** 1998 (5A), 2007 (5A Div. I), 2011 (Div. I).

**3 - Gerard:** 1974 (A), 1979 (AA), 1980 (AA).

**3 - Hayden:** 1972 (B), 1998 (B), 2018 (1A).

**3 - Highland:** 2020 (6A), 2021 (6A), 2022 (6A).

**3 - Horizon:** 1994 (5A), 1995 (5A), 2021 (5A).

**3 - Joy Christian:** 2011 (Div. VI), 2012 (Div. VI), 2015 (Div. V).

**3 - Marana:** 1964 (B), 1967 (B), 1968 (B).

**3 - Maricopa:** 1978 (C), 1980 (C), 1981 (C).

**3 - McNary:** 1964 (C), 1965 (C), 1966 (C).

**3 - Mingus Union:** 1997 (4A), 2005 (4A Div. II), 2007 (4A Div. II).

**3 - Mohave:** 1973 (B), 1974 (B), 1983 (A).

**3 - Moon Valley:** 1982 (AAA), 1986 (3A Div. 1), 2004 (4A).

**3 - Mountain Pointe:** 2012 (Div. I), 2013 (Div. I), 2016 (6A).

**3 - Queen Creek:** 1998 (2A), 2012 (Div. III), 2013 (Div. III).



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**3 - Red Mountain:** 2000 (5A), 2001 (5A), 2019 (6A).  
**3 - Salome:** 1979 (C), 1980 (C), 2002 (1A).  
**3 - Seton Catholic:** 1997 (2A), 2003 (3A), 2012 (Div. IV).  
**3 - South Mountain:** 1959 (AA), 1976 (AAA), 1993 (5A).  
**3 - Tempe:** 1971 (AAA), 1989 (4A), 1996 (4A).  
**3 - Trevor Browne:** 1980 (AAA), 1981 (AAA), 1982 (AAA).  
**3 - Wickenburg:** 1977 (B), 1979 (B), 2006 (3A).  
**3 - Yuma Union:** 1959 (AA), 1960 (AA), 1965 (AA).  
**2 - Ajo:** 1969 (A), 1971 (A).  
**2 - ALA-Queen Creek:** 2016 (3A), 2019 (3A).  
**2 - Arcadia:** 1960 (AA), 1962 (AA).  
**2 - Buckeye:** 1980 (A), 1981 (A).  
**2 - Camp Verde:** 1962 (C), 1963 (C).  
**2 - Central:** 1969 (AAA), 1972 (AAA).  
**2 - Clifton:** 1965 (B), 2004 (1A).  
**2 - Desert Ridge:** 2010 (5A Div. I), 2015 (Div. I).  
**2 - Greenway:** 2001 (4A), 2002 (4A).  
**2 - Higley:** 2006 (4A Div. II), 2022 (5A).  
**2 - Liberty:** 2014 (Div. II), 2019 (6A).  
**2 - Marcos de Niza:** 2009 (5A Div. II), 2015 (Div. II).  
**2 - Mesquite:** 2019 (4A), 2020 (4A).  
**2 - Page:** 1975 (A), 1976 (A).  
**2 - Palo Verde:** 1973 (AAA), 2005 (4A Div. II).  
**2 - Perry:** 2017 (6A), 2018 (6A).  
**2 - Pueblo:** 1961 (AA), 1967 (AA).  
**2 - Pusch Ridge:** 2015 (Div. II), 2017 (3A).  
**2 - River Valley:** 2013 (Div. IV), 2014 (Div. IV).  
**2 - Santa Rita:** 2008 (4A Div. II), 2009 (4A Div. II).  
**2 - Seligman:** 1974 (C), 1990 (1A).  
**2 - Suffolk Hills:** 1981 (C), 1982 (C).  
**2 - Washington:** 1977 (AAA), 1992 (4A).  
**2 - Westview:** 2007 (5A Div. II), 2008 (5A Div. II).  
**1 - ALA-Gilbert North:** 2022 (4A).  
**1 - Antelope:** 1966 (B).  
**1 - Apache Junction:** 1975 (B).  
**1 - Apollo:** 1985 (3A Div. 1).  
**1 - Basha:** 2022 (Open).  
**1 - Benjamin Franklin:** 2019 (3A).  
**1 - Cactus Shadows:** 2006 (4A Div. II).  
**1 - Campo Verde:** 2019 (5A).  
**1 - Casa Grande:** 2021 (4A).  
**1 - Casteel:** 2017 (3A).  
**1 - Catalina Foothills:** 2016 (4A).  
**1 - Cienega:** 2011 (Div. II).  
**1 - Corona del Sol:** 1980 (AA).  
**1 - Coronado:** 1976 (AAA).  
**1 - Dobson:** 1987 (3A Div. 1).  
**1 - Eastmark:** 2022 (3A).  
**1 - Globe:** 2002 (3A).  
**1 - Grand Canyon:** 1961 (C).  
**1 - Ironwood Ridge:** 2012 (Div. II).  
**1 - Lake Havasu:** 1974 (A).  
**1 - Lakeside:** 1959 (C).  
**1 - Maryvale:** 1975 (AAA).  
**1 - Mountain Ridge:** 2004 (5A).  
**1 - North Canyon:** 2005 (5A Div. II).  
**1 - Orme School:** 1998 (1A).  
**1 - Paradise Valley:** 2015 (Div. III).  
**1 - Pinnacle:** 2022 (6A).  
**1 - Poston Butte:** 2021 (4A).  
**1 - Rincon:** 1963 (AA).  
**1 - San Manuel:** 1981 (A).

**1 - Sunnyslope:** 1970 (AAA).  
**1 - Sunrise Mountain:** 2020 (5A).  
**1 - Tempe Prep:** 2014 (Div. V).  
**1 - Thunderbird:** 2010 (4A Div. II).  
**1 - Tollenson:** 19878 (AA).  
**1 - Tuba City:** 1960 (C).  
**1 - Tucson Deaf & Blind:** 1976 (C).  
**1 - Western Christian:** 1985 (C).



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## Football Records - Individual (2A-6A)

The 2A-6A AIA football record book has converted to a conference leader and top performance listing for each category. If there are any listings that need to be updated or added, please e-mail Seth Polansky and Jose Garcia with all supporting documentation.

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The AIA is in need of the following seasons and/or single-game stats in order to have the most complete archives possible:

Blue Ridge	1995-98 seasons and 1997 game-by game
Bourgade Catholic	1970-73 seasons
Cactus	2001-04 seasons and 2003 game-by game
Cactus Shadows	2003-04 seasons
Florence	1996 season
Hopi	1988 season and game-by game
St. Johns	1999-03 seasons and game-by game
Washington	2004-05 seasons
Window Rock	2011-12 seasons

### Touchdowns (game by conference)

6A	8	Edward McClendon	Mesa vs. Dobson	2018
6A	8	Ty Grigsby	Rincon/University vs. Buena	2016
5A	8	Trayvon Clark	Yuma vs. San Luis	2010
4A	10	D.J. Foster	Saguaro vs. Sunrise Mountain	2011
3A	9	James Colbert	Casa Grande vs. Coolidge	2011
2A	9	Christian Velasquez	San Manuel vs. Tombstone	2017

### Touchdowns (game top performers)

1.	10	D.J. Foster	Saguaro vs. Sunrise Mountain	2011
T2.	9	Anthony Mata	Bradshaw Mountain vs. Mohave	2018
T2.	9	Christian Velasquez	San Manuel vs. Tombstone	2017
T2.	9	James Colbert	Casa Grande vs. Coolidge	2011
T5.	8	Edward McClendon	Mesa vs. Dobson	2018
T5.	8	Ty Grigsby	Rincon/University vs. Buena	2016
T5.	8	Ben Burgner	Globe vs. San Manuel	2015
T5.	8	Trayvon Clark	Yuma vs. San Luis	2010
T5.	8	Carlos Villa	Maricopa vs. San Pasqual	2004
T5.	8	Jabari Felton-Smith	Orme School vs. Salome	2000
T5.	8	C.R. Davis	Moon Valley vs. Washington	2000
T5.	8	Santos Olague	Sabino vs. Desert View	1998
T5.	8	Trent Thompson	Chinle vs. Red Mesa	1986
	7	many times		

### Touchdowns (season by conference)

6A	39	T.J. Green	Chandler	2016
6A	39	Taren Morrison	Desert Ridge	2013
5A	41	Bobby Wade	Desert Vista	1998
4A	60	D.J. Foster	Saguaro	2011
3A	43	Zach Hammett	River Valley	2021
2A	44	Jabari-Felton Smith	Orme School	2000

### Touchdowns (season top performers)

1.	60	D.J. Foster	Saguaro	2011
2.	51	Nathan Wize	Sabino	1997
T3.	46	Christian Kirk	Saguaro	2014
T3.	46	Marcus Thomas	Tolleson	2002
5.	45	Ka'Deem Carey	Canyon del Oro	2009
6.	44	Jabari-Felton Smith	Orme School	2000
T7.	43	Zach Hammett	River Valley	2021
T7.	43	Kevin Daniels	Glendale	2018
T9.	42	Bijan Robinson	Salpointe Catholic	2019
T9.	42	Shad Bride	St. Johns	2008
T9.	42	Shad Bride	St. Johns	2007

T12.	41	Seth Ellis	Coolidge	2011
T12.	41	Bobby Wade	Desert Vista	1998
14.	40	Draycen Hall	Higley	2016
T15.	39	Man-Man Freeman	Phoenix Christian	2019
T15.	39	Jake Smith	Notre Dame Prep	2018
T15.	39	T.J. Green	Chandler	2016
T15.	39	Taren Morrison	Desert Ridge	2013
T15.	39	Alfred Erives	Arizona Lutheran	2021
T15.	39	Mike Bell	Tolleson	2000
T15.	39	Kevin Schmidtke	Mountain View (Marana)	1993

### Touchdowns (career by conference)

6A	63	Taren Morrison	Desert Ridge	2012-14
5A	76	Mike Mitchell	Brophy Prep	1990-92
4A	114	Bijan Robinson	Salpointe Catholic	2016-19
3A	98	Brandon Long	River Valley	2011-14
2A	112	Casey Jahn	Northwest Christian	2008-11

### Touchdowns (career top performers)

1.	114	Bijan Robinson	Salpointe Catholic	2016-19
T2.	112	Kevin Daniels	Glendale	2016-19
T2.	112	Casey Jahn	Northwest Christian	2008-11
4.	105	Shad Bride	St. Johns	2006-08
5.	103	Christian Kirk	Saguaro	2011-14
6.	98	Brandon Long	River Valley	2011-14
7.	88	Jamal Miles	Peoria	2006-08
8.	87	Ka'Deem Carey	Canyon del Oro	2007-10
T9.	85	Isaac Stopke	Lake Havasu	2020-22
T9.	85	Draycen Hall	Higley	2015-17
T9.	85	Joe Logan	Estrella Foothills	2012-15
T9.	85	Kevin Schmidtke	Mountain View (Marana)	1991-93
13.	84	Tyreck Cosay	Alchesay	2015-18
14.	83	Josh Griffin	Chaparral	1997-99
T15.	81	Christopher Weaver	Odyssey Institute	2016-19
T15.	81	Ean Chavez	Yuma Catholic	2016-19
17.	80	Alfred Erives	Arizona Lutheran	2009-12
18.	79	Cameron Denson	Salpointe Catholic	2010-13
19.	78	Zach Hammett	River Valley	2018-21
20.	77	Marcus Thomas	Tolleson	2000-02





## Football Records - Individual (2A-6A)

### Points (game by conference)

6A	48	Edward McClendon	Mesa vs. Dobson	2018
6A	48	Ty Grigsby	Rincon/University vs. Buena	2016
5A	42	Ethan Johnson	Westwood vs. Higley	2015
5A	42	Antrel Bates	Amphitheater vs. South Mountain	1997
5A	42	Coury Hankins	South Mountain vs. Central	1994
5A	42	Ted Bland	Tucson vs. Bisbee	1931
4A	60	D.J. Foster	Saguaro vs. Sunrise Mountain	2011
3A	48	Richard Zuniga	Arizona Boys Ranch vs. Miami	1997
3A	48	Trent Thompson	Chinle vs. Red Mesa	1986
2A	54	Christian Velasquez	San Manuel vs. Tombstone	2017
2A	54	Carlos Villa	Maricopa vs. San Pasqual	2004

### Points (game top performers)

1.	60	D.J. Foster	Saguaro vs. Sunrise Mountain	2011
T2.	54	Anthony Mata	Bradshaw Mountain vs. Mohave	2018
T2.	54	Christian Velasquez	San Manuel vs. Tombstone	2017
T2.	54	James Colbert	Casa Grande vs. Coolidge	2011
T2.	54	Carlos Villa	Maricopa vs. San Pasqual	2004
6.	50	C.R. Davis	Moon Valley vs. Washington	2000
T7.	48	Edward McClendon	Mesa vs. Dobson	2018
T7.	48	Ty Grigsby	Rincon/University vs. Buena	2016
T7.	48	Ben Burger	Globe vs. San Manuel	2015
T7.	48	Trayvon Clark	Yuma vs. San Luis	2010
T7.	48	Jabari Felton-Smith	Orme School vs. Salome	2000
T7.	48	Santos Olague	Sabino vs. Desert View	1998
T7.	48	Richard Zuniga	Arizona Boys Ranch vs. Miami	1997
T7.	48	Trent Thompson	Chinle vs. Red Mesa	1986
T15.	44	Kevin Daniels	Glendale vs. Dysart	2019
T15.	44	Ean Chavez	Yuma Catholic vs. Sabino	2018
T15.	44	Brandon Garcia	Arizona Lutheran vs. Gilbert Christian	2017
T15.	44	Alvin Leon	Baboquivari vs. Clifton	1977
	42	many times		

### Points (season per conference)

6A	234	TJ Green	Chandler	2016
6A	234	Taren Morrison	Desert Ridge	2013
5A	246	Bobby Wade	Desert Vista	1998
4A	362	D.J. Foster	Saguaro	2011
3A	258	Richard Zuniga	Arizona Boys Ranch	1997
2A	266	Jabari Felton-Smith	Orme School	2000

### Points (season top performers)

1.	362	D.J. Foster	Saguaro	2011
2.	306	Nathan Wize	Sabino	1997
3.	288	Marcus Thomas	Tolleson	2002
4.	276	Christian Kirk	Saguaro	2014
5.	270	Ka'Deem Carey	Canyon del Oro	2009
6.	268	Kevin Daniels	Glendale	2018
T7.	266	Jabari Felton-Smith	Orme School	2000
T7.	266	Danny Groebner	Blue Ridge	2011
T9.	258	Zach Hammett	River Valley	2021
T9.	258	Rudy Verdugo	Willcox	2009
T9.	258	Richard Zuniga	Arizona Boys Ranch	1997
12.	257	Cory Lizarraga	Blue Ridge	1997
T13.	256	Shad Bride	St. Johns	2008
T13.	256	Shad Bride	St. Johns	2007
15.	252	Bijan Robinson	Salpointe Catholic	2019
T16.	248	Draycen Hall	Higley	2016
T16.	248	Seth Ellis	Coolidge	2011
T18.	246	Bobby Wade	Desert Vista	1998
T18.	246	Kevin Schmidtke	Mountain View (Marana)	1993
T18.	246	Jeremy Hathcock	Blue Ridge	1989

### Points (career by conference)

6A	342	T.J. Green	Chandler	2015-16
5A	456	Mike Mitchell	Brophy Prep	1990-92
4A	694	Kevin Daniels	Glendale	2016-19
3A	600	Brandon Long	River Valley	2011-14
2A	672	Casey Jahn	Northwest Christian	2008-11

### Points (career top performers)

1.	694	Kevin Daniels	Glendale	2016-19
2.	686	Bijan Robinson	Salpointe Catholic	2016-19
3.	672	Casey Jahn	Northwest Christian	2008-11
4.	638	Shad Bride	St. Johns	2005-08
5.	626	Christian Kirk	Saguaro	2011-14
6.	600	Brandon Long	River Valley	2011-14
7.	586	Caleb Young	Gilbert Christian	2013-16
8.	558	Tyreck Cosay	Alchesay	2015-18
9.	536	D.J. Foster	Saguaro	2010-11
10.	528	Jamal Miles	Peoria	2006-08
T11.	524	Ka'Deem Carey	Canyon del Oro	2007-10
T11.	524	Kevin Schmidtke	Mountain View (Marana)	1991-93
13.	518	Draycen Hall	Higley	2015-17
14.	517	Josh Griffith	Chaparral	1997-99
T15.	510	Isaac Stopke	Lake Havasu	2020-22
T15.	510	Joe Logan	Estrella Foothills	2012-15
17.	504	Christopher Weaver	Odyssey Institute	2016-19
18.	492	Ean Chavez	Yuma Catholic	2016-19
19.	482	Ben Grams	Arizona Lutheran	2008-11
20.	480	Alfred Erives	Arizona Lutheran	2009-12

### Rushing Yards (game by conference)

6A	518	Dylan Lee	Williams Field vs. Chaparral	2022
5A	566	Ethan Johnson	Westwood vs. Higley	2015
4A	516	Sean Fitzsimmons	Empire vs. Catalina	2013
3A	469	Stanley Jackson	Chinle vs. Red Mesa	1976
2A	514	Christian Velasquez	San Manuel vs. Tombstone	2017

### Rushing Yards (game top performers)

1.	566	Ethan Johnson	Westwood vs. Higley	2015
2.	518	Dylan Lee	Williams Field vs. Chaparral	2022
3.	516	Sean Fitzsimmons	Empire vs. Catalina	2013
4.	514	Christian Velasquez	San Manuel vs. Tombstone	2017
5.	508	D.J. Foster	Saguaro vs. Sunrise Mountain	2011
6.	469	Stanley Jackson	Chinle vs. Red Mesa	1976
7.	468	Christian Wilridge	Tombstone vs. San Carlos	2015
8.	453	Vincen Wagner	Trevor Browne vs. Kofa	2018
9.	444	Malik Taylor	Phoenix Christian vs. Scottsdale Christian	2018
10.	435	Scottie Jordan	Phoenix Christian vs. Higley	2013
11.	432	Ryan Alexandre	Arcadia vs. Paradise Valley	2016
12.	430	Bijan Robinson	Salpointe Catholic vs. Desert Edge	2019
T13.	427	Arturo Tapia	Tonopah Valley vs. Phoenix Christian	2015
T13.	427	Ka'Deem Carey	Canyon del Oro vs. Apollo	2009
15.	426	Aaron Craig	Window Rock vs. Greyhills	1993
16.	424	Marcus Thomas	Tolleson vs. Moon Valley	2002
T17.	419	Devin Bowling	Benson vs. St. Johns	2021
T17.	419	Brady Mengarelli	Prescott vs. Cactus Shadows	2012
T17.	419	Riley Mawson	Miami vs. Ray	2011
20.	415	Jon Retzloff	Tonopah Valley vs. Westwind Prep	2009

### Rushing Yards (season by conference)

6A	2,587	Taren Morrison	Desert Ridge	2013
5A	2,740	Mario Bates	Amphitheater	1990
4A	3,573	Marcus Thomas	Tolleson	2002
3A	2,961	Scooter Sprotte	Blue Ridge	1994
2A	2,583	Casey Jahn	Northwest Christian	2010

### Rushing Yards (season top performers)

1.	3,573	Marcus Thomas	Tolleson	2002
2.	3,101	Nathan Wize	Sabino	1997
3.	3,058	D.J. Foster	Saguaro	2011
4.	2,961	Scooter Sprotte	Blue Ridge	1994
5.	2,829	Matt Guida	Queen Creek	2012
6.	2,758	Braedyn Bushman	Williams Field	2014
7.	2,740	Mario Bates	Amphitheater	1990
8.	2,738	Ka'Deem Carey	Canyon del Oro	2009
9.	2,680	Christopher Weaver	Odyssey Institute	2019
10.	2,661	Allan Woods	Cactus	2009





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11.	2,601	Keith Brown	Mountain Pointe	1995
12.	2,600	Joe Logan	Estrella Foothills	2015
13.	2,593	Carlos Melendez	San Tan Foothills	2011
14.	2,587	Taren Morrison	Desert Ridge	2013
15.	2,583	Casey Jahn	Northwest Christian	2010
16.	2,577	Kody Hazlett	Yuma Catholic	2012
17.	2,542	Weston Barlow	Queen Creek	2014
18.	2,515	Kevin Schmidtke	Mountain View (Marana)	1993
19.	2,513	Teddy Ruben	Saguaro	2010
20.	2,495	Aaron Lafitte	Ironwood	2002

### Rushing Yards (career by conference)

6A	4,375	Taren Morrison	Desert Ridge	2012-14
5A	5,669	Mike Mitchell	Brophy Prep	1990-92
4A	7,036	Bijan Robinson	Salpointe Catholic	2016-19
3A	7,018	Christopher Weaver	Odyssey Institute	2016-19
2A	7,544	Casey Jahn	Northwest Christian	2008-11

### Rushing Yards (career top performers)

1.	7,544	Casey Jahn	Northwest Christian	2008-11
2.	7,036	Bijan Robinson	Salpointe Catholic	2016-19
3.	7,018	Christopher Weaver	Odyssey Institute	2016-19
4.	6,750	Brandon Long	River Valley	2011-14
5.	6,506	Dwayne Thomas	Tombstone	2002-05
6.	5,878	Marcus Thomas	Tolleson	2000-02
7.	5,814	Joe Logan	Estrella Foothills	2012-15
8.	5,779	Alfred Erives	Arizona Lutheran	2009-12
9.	5,711	Ernie Montez	Thatcher	1988-91
10.	5,701	Ka'Deem Carey	Canyon del Oro	2007-10
11.	5,684	Shad Bride	St. Johns	2005-08
12.	5,669	Mike Mitchell	Brophy Prep	1990-92
13.	5,473	Chris Salsberry	Shadow Ridge	2010-13
14.	5,440	Kevin Schmidtke	Mountain View (Marana)	1991-93
15.	5,204	Sean Reeder	Cactus Shadows	1985-88
16.	5,175	Isaac Stopke	Lake Havasu	2020-22
17.	5,159	Tyreck Cosay	Alchesay	2015-18
18.	5,148	Tim Smith	Saint Mary's	1964-67
19.	5,069	Scotter Sprotte	Blue Ridge	1992-94
20.	5,056	Maurice Smith	Tempe	1999-01

### Rushing Touchdowns (game by conference)

6A	7	Vincen Wagner	Trevor Browne vs. Kofa	2018
6A	7	Ty Grigsby	Rincon/University vs. Buena	2016
6A	7	Taren Morrison	Desert Ridge vs. Mountain View (Mesa)	2013
5A	7	Ethan Johnson	Westwood vs. Higley	2015
5A	7	Chris Cofield	Agua Fria vs. Washington	2015
5A	7	Taren Morrison	Desert Ridge vs. Mountain View (Mesa)	2013
5A	7	Trayvon Clark	Yuma vs. San Luis	2010
4A	10	D.J. Foster	Saguaro vs. Sunrise Mountain	2011
3A	7	Dante Anderson	Amphitheater vs. Rio Rico	2014
2A	9	Christian Velasquez	San Manuel vs. Tombstone	2017

### Rushing Touchdowns (game top performers)

1.	10	D.J. Foster	Saguaro vs. Sunrise Mountain	2011
2.	9	Christian Velasquez	San Manuel vs. Tombstone	2017
T3.	8	Anthony Mata	Bradshaw Mountain vs. Mohave	2018
T3.	8	Ben Burgner	Globe vs. San Manuel	2015
T3.	8	James Colbert	Casa Grande vs. Coolidge	2011
T3.	8	C.R. Davis	Moon Valley vs. Washington	2000
T3.	8	Trent Thompson	Chinle vs. Red Mesa	1986
T8.	7	Cole Sundt	Gilbert Christian vs. Coronado	2019
T8.	7	Austin Clark	Prescott vs. Deer Valley	2018
T8.	7	Vincen Wagner	Trevor Browne vs. Kofa	2018
T8.	7	Ty Grigsby	Rincon/University vs. Buena	2016
T8.	7	Ethan Johnson	Westwood vs. Higley	2015
T8.	7	Chris Cofield	Agua Fria vs. Washington	2015
T8.	7	Dante Anderson	Amphitheater vs. Rio Rico	2014
T8.	7	Taren Morrison	Desert Ridge vs. Mountain View (Mesa)	2013
T8.	7	Alfonso Avitia	Amphitheater vs. Marana	2010
T8.	7	Trayvon Clark	Yuma vs. San Luis	2010
6		many times		

### Rushing Touchdowns (season by conference)

6A	38	Taren Morrison	Desert Ridge	2013
5A	34	Anthodius Ashley	Betty Fairfax	2018
4A	54	D.J. Foster	Saguaro	2011
3A	38	Zach Hammett	Riviera Valley	2021
3A	38	Seth Ellis	Coolidge	2011
2A	42	Shad Bride	St. Johns	2008

### Rushing Touchdowns (season top performers)

1.	54	D.J. Foster	Saguaro	2011
2.	43	Ka'Deem Carey	Canyon Del Oro	2009
3.	42	Shad Bride	St. Johns	2008
4.	40	Shad Bride	St. Johns	2007
T5.	38	Zach Hammett	River Valley	2021
T5.	38	Bijan Robinson	Salpointe Catholic	2019
T5.	38	Kevin Daniels	Glendale	2018
T5.	38	Seth Ellis	Coolidge	2011
T5.	38	Taren Morrison	Desert Ridge	2013
T5.	38	Jamal Miles	Peoria	2007
T11.	37	Man-Man Freeman	Phoenix Christian	2019
T11.	37	Allan Woods	Cactus	2009
T13.	35	Isaac Stopke	Lake Havasu	2022
T13.	35	Bijan Robinson	Salpointe Catholic	2018
T13.	35	TJ Green	Chandler	2016
T16.	34	Isaac Stopke	Lake Havasu	2021
T16.	34	Malik Taylor	Phoenix Christian	2018
T16.	34	Anthodius Ashley	Betty Fairfax	2018
T16.	34	Decarlos Brooks	Chandler	2018
T16.	34	Damaria Norris	Cactus	2017

### Rushing Touchdowns (career by conference)

6A	60	Taren Morrison	Desert Ridge	2012-14
5A	83	Jamal Miles	Peoria	2006-08
4A	103	Bijan Robinson	Salpointe Catholic	2016-19
3A	93	Brandon Long	River Valley	2011-14
2A	110	Casey Jahn	Northwest Christian	2008-11

### Rushing Touchdowns (career top performers)

1.	110	Casey Jahn	Northwest Christian	2008-11
2.	103	Bijan Robinson	Salpointe Catholic	2016-19
3.	102	Shad Bride	St. Johns	2005-08
4.	93	Brandon Long	River Valley	2011-14
5.	89	Kevin Daniels	Glendale	2016-19
6.	83	Jamal Miles	Peoria	2006-08
T7.	82	Isaac Stopke	Lake Havasu	2020-22
T7.	82	Ka'Deem Carey	Canyon Del Oro	2007-10
9.	78	Joe Logan	Estrella Foothills	2012-15
10.	77	Christopher Weaver	Odyssey Institute	2016-19
11.	76	D.J. Foster	Saguaro	2010-11
12.	74	Tyreck Cosay	Alchesay	2015-18
13.	73	Tehran Thomas	Desert Edge	2013-16
14.	71	Jeremiah Miller	Sinagua	1996-99
T15.	70	Diante Flores	Flowing Wells	2012-15
T15.	70	Travis Palmer	Camp Verde	1988-91
17.	69	Damaria Norris	Cactus	2015-17
18.	68	Jordan Mitchell	Cibola	2010-12
19.	67	Chris Salsberry	Shadow Ridge	2010-13
20.	66	Kani Benoit	Thunderbird	2010-12

### Completions (game by conference)

6A	42	Ryan Helt	Corona del Sol vs. Highland	2017
5A	41	Will Plummer	Gilbert vs. Sunrise Mountain	2018
4A	42	Ryan Finley	Paradise Valley vs. Thunderbird	2012
3A	38	Mike Bitsuie	Ganado vs. Globe	1995
2A	37	Zayden Neill	San Tan Charter vs. Blue Ridge	2021





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### Completions (game top performers)

T1.	42	Ryan Helt	Corona del Sol vs. Highland	2017
T1.	42	Ryan Finley	Paradise Valley vs. Thunderbird	2012
3.	41	Will Plummer	Gilbert vs. Sunrise Mountain	2018
T4.	39	Spencer Rattler	Pinnacle vs. Chandler	2017
T4.	39	Daniel Bridge-Gadd	Paradise Valley vs. North Canyon	2013
T4.	39	Anthony Hernandez	Desert Edge vs. Thunderbird	2013
T4.	39	Ryan Stanford	Horizon vs. Mountain Pointe	2008
T4.	39	Jon Comacho	Washington vs. Higley	2007
T9.	38	Mario Armendarez	Washington vs. Agua Fria	2015
T9.	38	Adam Abbatacola	Apache Junction vs. Higley	2014
T9.	38	Mike Bitsue	Ganado vs. Globe	1995
T12.	37	Chace Logan	Tonopah Valley vs. Kingman Academy	2022
T12.	37	Zayden Neill	San Tan Charter vs. Blue Ridge	2021
T12.	37	Dane Christensen	Casteel vs. Saguaro	2020
T12.	37	Bryce Kinsler	Cactus Shadows vs. Prescott	2012
T16.	36	Gage Baker	Paradise Honors vs. Pusch Ridge	2022
T16.	36	Dylan Simonton	O'Connor vs. Campbell (HI)	2019
T16.	36	Nick Hershey	Gilbert Christian vs. Pima	2017
T16.	36	Austin Nuessle	Desert Mountain vs. Carson (NV)	2016
T16.	36	Brock Hall	Casa Grande vs. Higley	2016
T16.	36	Ryan Kelley	Basha vs. Brophy Prep	2015
T16.	36	Gabe Losada	Saint Mary's vs. Trevor Browne	2014
T16.	36	John Clark	Mountain View (Mesa) vs. Pinnacle	2013
T16.	36	Bryce Kinsler	Cactus Shadows vs. Queen Creek	2012

### Completions (season by conference)

6A	288	Elijah Warner	Brophy Prep	2021
5A	294	Jamar Malone II	Higley	2022
5A	294	Josh Cain	Desert Ridge	2007
4A	304	Adam Damante	ALA-Gilbert North	2022
3A	319	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2021
2A	350	Jarrett Huma	Hopi	1988

### Completions (season top performers)

1.	350	Jarrett Huma	Hopi	1988
2.	319	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2021
3.	304	Adam Damante	ALA-Gilbert North	2022
T4.	294	Jamar Malone II	Higley	2022
T4.	294	Josh Cain	Desert Ridge	2007
6.	293	Gabe Losada	Saint Mary's	2014
7.	288	Elijah Warner	Brophy Prep	2021
8.	285	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2022
9.	280	Brayten Silbor	Chaparral	2021
10.	271	Anthony Hernandez	Desert Edge	2013
11.	270	Ryan Finley	Paradise Valley	2012
12.	268	Will Plummer	Gilbert	2019
13.	259	Gage Baker	Paradise Honors	2022
14.	257	Phillip Aholt	Cactus Shadows	2006
15.	254	Ryan Kelley	Basha	2014
T16.	251	Will Plummer	Gilbert	2018
T16.	251	Kedon Slovis	Desert Mountain	2017
T16.	251	Daniel Bridge-Gadd	Paradise Valley	2015
19.	250	Ty Thompson	Mesquite	2019
T20.	246	Dane Christensen	Casteel	2019
T20.	246	Spencer Rattler	Pinnacle	2017
T20.	246	Bryce Kinsler	Cactus Shadows	2011
T20.	246	Hayden Eager	Round Valley	2007

### Completions (career by conference)

6A	764	Spencer Rattler	Pinnacle	2015-18
5A	715	Adryan Lara	Desert Edge	2018-21
4A	674	Gabe Losada	Saint Mary's	2011-14
3A	816	Richard Stallworth	Yuna Catholic	2020-22
2A	598	Jagan Cleary	Yuma Catholic	2012-14

### Completions (career top performers)

1.	816	Richard Stallworth	Yuna Catholic	2020-22
2.	764	Spencer Rattler	Pinnacle	2015-18
3.	715	Adryan Lara	Desert Edge	2018-21
4.	692	Austin Nuessle	Desert Mountain	2013-16
5.	676	Ryan Kelly	Basha	2014-16
6.	674	Gabe Losada	Saint Mary's	2011-14
7.	658	Daniel Bridge-Gadd	Paradise Valley	2012-15
8.	631	Emmanuel Gant	Tempe	2011-14
9.	622	Ryan Finley	Paradise Valley	2009-12
T10.	620	Ben Finley	Paradise Valley	2016-19
T10.	620	Bryce Kinsler	Cactus Shadows	2010-12
12.	602	Jacob Conover	Chandler	2016-18
13.	601	Ty Thompson	Mesquite	2017-20
14.	600	Gunner Cruz	Casteel	2016-18
15.	598	Jagan Cleary	Yuma Catholic	2012-14
16.	594	Nazareth Greer	Marcos de Niza	2014-16
17.	587	Adam Damante	ALA-Gilbert North	2020-22
18.	582	Mason Crossland	Higley	2013-16
19.	581	Gage Reese	Yuma Catholic	2016-19
20.	560	Jack Miller	Chaparral/Scottsdale Christian	2016-19

### Passing Attempts (game by conference)

6A	67	Spencer Rattler	Pinnacle vs. Chandler	2017
5A	70	Will Plummer	Gilbert vs. Sunrise Mountain	2018
4A	79	Jon Comacho	Washington vs. Higley	2007
3A	67	Estevan Puig	Westwind Prep vs. Bourgade Catholic	2005
2A	65	Nick Hershey	Gilbert Christian vs. Pima	2017

### Passing Attempts (game top performers)

1.	79	Jon Comacho	Washington vs. Higley	2007
T2.	76	Brock Hall	Casa Grande vs. Higley	2016
T2.	76	Mario Armendarez	Washington vs. Agua Fria	2015
4.	70	Will Plummer	Gilbert vs. Sunrise Mountain	2018
T5.	67	Spencer Rattler	Pinnacle vs. Chandler	2017
T5.	67	Estevan Puig	Westwind Prep vs. Bourgade Catholic	2005
T7.	66	Josh Cain	Desert Ridge vs. Centennial	2007
T7.	66	Adam Hernandez	Tonopah Valley vs. Gila Bend	2005
T9.	65	Ryan Helt	Corona del Sol vs. Highland	2017
T9.	65	Nick Hershey	Gilbert Christian vs. Pima	2017
11.	63	Jack Johnson	Sedona Red Rock vs. River Valley	2009
T12.	62	Will Plummer	Gilbert vs. Higley	2019
T12.	62	John Clark	Mountain View (Mesa) vs. Pinnacle	2013
T14.	60	Ben Finley	Paradise Valley vs. Horizon	2017
T14.	60	Gabe Losada	Saint Mary's vs. Trevor Browne	2014
T14.	60	Bryce Kinsler	Cactus Shadows vs. Prescott	2012
T14.	60	Justin Sieczkowski	Seton Catholic vs. Coronado	2009
T14.	60	Hayden Eager	Round Valley vs. Coolidge	2007
T19.	59	Adam Abbatacola	Apache Junction vs. Higley	2014
T19.	59	Ryan Finley	Paradise Valley vs. Thunderbird	2012
T19.	59	Dillon Classen	Cactus Shadows vs. Sabino	2009
T19.	59	Jon Bowman	Washington vs. Cactus Shadows	2006

### Passing Attempts (season by conference)

6A	446	Elijah Warner	Brophy Prep	2021
5A	443	Will Plummer	Gilbert	2018
4A	477	Gabe Losada	Saint Mary's	2014
3A	479	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2021
2A	495	Jarrett Huma	Hopi	1988

### Passing Attempts (season top performers)

1.	495	Jarrett Huma	Hopi	1988
2.	479	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2021
3.	477	Gabe Losada	Saint Mary's	2014
4.	469	Josh Cain	Desert Ridge	2007
5.	462	Jon Bowman	Washington	2006
6.	446	Elijah Warner	Brophy Prep	2021
7.	444	Hayden Eager	Round Valley	2007
8.	443	Will Plummer	Gilbert	2018
9.	442	Jamar Malone II	Higley	2022
10.	439	Adam Damante	ALA-Gilbert North	2022





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11.	438	Will Plummer	Gilbert	2019
12.	430	Phillip Aholt	Cactus Shadows	2006
T13.	424	Ty Thompson	Mesquite	2019
T13.	424	Ryan Finley	Paradise Valley	2012
15.	421	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2022
16.	416	Brayten Silbor	Chaparral	2021
17.	413	Spencer Brasch	Higley	2018
18.	405	Austin Nuessle	Desert Mountain	2015
19.	400	Mario Armendarez	Washington	2015
20.	399	Tony Samaniego	Bisbee	2017

### Passing Attempts (career by conference)

6A	1,228	Spencer Rattler	Pinnacle	2015-18
5A	1,144	Adryan Lara	Desert Edge	2018-21
4A	1,091	Gabe Losada	Saint Mary's	2011-14
3A	1,221	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2020-22
2A	921	Jagan Cleary	Yuma Catholic	2012-14

### Passing Attempts (career top performers)

1.	1,228	Spencer Rattler	Pinnacle	2015-18
2.	1,221	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2020-22
3.	1,144	Adryan Lara	Desert Edge	2018-21
4.	1,133	Austin Nuessle	Desert Mountain	2013-16
5.	1,126	Ben Finley	Paradise Valley	2016-19
6.	1,091	Gabe Losada	Saint Mary's	2011-14
7.	1,086	Bryce Kinsler	Cactus Shadows	2010-12
8.	1,064	Nazareth Greer	Marcos de Niza	2014-16
9.	1,058	Ryan Kelly	Basha	2014-16
10.	1,048	Ryan Finley	Paradise Valley	2009-12
11.	1,032	Emanuel Gant	Tempe	2011-14
12.	1,031	Brock Hall	Casa Grande	2013-16
13.	988	Jack Miller	Chaparral/Scottsdale Christian	2016-19
14.	985	Daniel Bridge-Gadd	Paradise Valley	2012-15
15.	980	Ty Thompson	Mesquite	2017-20
16.	972	Brendan Anderson	Mountain Ridge	2019-22
17.	937	Mark Chavez	AZ College Prep	2017-20
T18.	925	Gage Reese	Yuma Catholic	2016-19
T18.	925	Mason Crossland	Higley	2013-16
20.	921	Jagan Cleary	Yuma Catholic	2012-14

### Passing Yards (game by conference)

6A	580	Spencer Rattler	Pinnacle vs. Chandler	2017
5A	668	Will Plummer	Gilbert vs. Sunrise Mountain	2018
4A	756	Mario Armendarez	Washington vs. Agua Fria	2015
3A	609	Gage Reese	Yuma Catholic vs. ALA-Queen Creek	2018
2A	609	Nick Hershey	Gilbert Christian vs. Pima	2017

### Passing Yards (game top performers)

1.	756	Mario Armendarez	Washington vs. Agua Fria	2015
2.	668	Will Plummer	Gilbert vs. Sunrise Mountain	2018
3.	641	Mason Crossland	Higley vs. Apache Junction	2014
4.	639	Bryce Kinsler	Cactus Shadows vs. Prescott	2012
T5.	609	Gage Reese	Yuma Catholic vs. ALA-Queen Creek	2018
T5.	609	Nick Hershey	Gilbert Christian vs. Pima	2017
7.	600	Kevin Pantastico	Desert Ridge vs. Red Mountain	2008
8.	580	Spencer Rattler	Pinnacle vs. Chandler	2017
9.	575	Trevor Messing	Thunderbird vs. Saint Mary's	2018
10.	565	Adam Abbatacola	Apache Junction vs. Higley	2014
11.	559	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic vs. Dysart	2020
12.	558	Luke Rubenzer	Saguaro vs. Desert Edge	2013
13.	552	Hayden Eager	Round Valley vs. Collidge	2007
14.	548	Ty Thompson	Mesquite vs. Gilbert	2020
15.	538	Spencer Rattler	Pinnacle vs. O'Connor	2017
T16.	537	Aaron Owens	Maricopa vs. Agua Fria	2015
T16.	537	Zach Werlinger	Basha vs. Gilbert	2013
18.	535	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic vs. Chino Valley	2021
19.	532	Gabe Losada	Saint Mary's vs. Trevor Browne	2014
T20.	526	Chubba Purdy	Perry vs. Desert Vista	2019
T20.	526	Gabe Losada	Saint Mary's vs. Camelback	2013

### Passing Yards (season by conference)

6A	4,405	Brock Purdy	Perry	2017
5A	4,265	Daniel Bridge-Gadd	Paradise Valley	2015
4A	4,769	Adam Damante	ALA-Gilbert North	2022
3A	4,863	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2021
2A	3,653	Jack Miller	Scottsdale Christian	2016

### Passing Yards (season top performers)

1.	4,863	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2021
2.	4,769	Adam Damante	ALA-Gilbert North	2022
<i>National Runner-Up</i>				
3.	4,662	Anthony Hernandez	Desert Edge	2013
4.	4,661	Gage Reese	Yuma Catholic	2018
5.	4,413	Rathen Ricedorff	Show Low	2010
6.	4,405	Brock Purdy	Perry	2017
7.	4,268	Daniel Bridge-Gadd	Paradise Valley	2015
8.	4,201	Luke Rubenzer	Saguaro	2013
9.	4,159	Brayten Silbor	Chaparral	2021
10.	4,074	Ty Thompson	Mesquite	2019
11.	4,017	Jamar Malone II	Higley	2022
12.	4,016	Asryan Lara	Desert Edge	2019
13.	3,973	Jon Bowman	Washington	2006
14.	3,946	Spencer Rattler	Pinnacle	2017
15.	3,924	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2022
16.	3,837	Gage Baker	Paradise Honors	2022
17.	3,803	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2020
18.	3,740	Dalton Sneed	Horizon	2013
19.	3,715	Jacon Conover	Chandler	2016
20.	3,653	Jack Miller	Scottsdale Christian	2016

### Passing Yards (career by conference)

6A	11,083	Spencer Rattler	Pinnacle	2015-18
5A	10,652	Adryan Lara	Desert Edge	2018-21
4A	10,489	Emanuel Gant	Tempe	2011-14
3A	12,590	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2020-22
2A	9,440	Jagan Cleary	Yuma Catholic	2012-14

### Passing Yards (career top performers)

1.	12,590	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2020-22
2.	11,083	Spencer Rattler	Pinnacle	2015-18
3.	10,652	Adryan Lara	Desert Edge	2018-21
4.	10,621	Gage Reese	Yuma Catholic	2016-19
5.	10,489	Emanuel Gant	Tempe	2011-14
6.	10,098	Jacob Conover	Chandler	2016-18
7.	9,953	Nazareth Greer	Marcos de Niza	2014-16
8.	9,891	Ty Thompson	Mesquite	2017-20
9.	9,645	Luke Rubenzer	Saguaro	2010-13
10.	9,493	Chase Cord	Sunrise Mountain	2013-16
T11.	9,440	Jack Miller	Chaparral/Scottsdale Christian	2016-19
T11.	9,440	Jagan Cleary	Yuma Catholic	2012-14
13.	9,415	Daniel Bridge-Gadd	Paradise Valley	2012-15
14.	9,383	Gunner Cruz	Casteel	2016-18
15.	9,152	Mason Crossland	Higley	2013-16
16.	9,141	Matt Inman	Yuma Catholic	2005-08
17.	8,772	Adam Damante	ALA-Gilbert North	2020-22
18.	8,697	Bryce Kinsler	Cactus Shadows	2010-12
19.	8,517	Rathen Ricedorff	Show Low	2007-10
20.	8,440	Gabe Losada	Saint Mary's	2011-14

### Touchdown Passes (game by conference)

6A	7	Parker Navarro	Desert Vista vs. Perry	2019
6A	7	Miguel Valdovinos	La Joya vs. Kofa	2018
6A	7	Gabby Mendoza	Mesa vs. Dobson	2018
6A	7	Jacob Conover	Chandler vs. Red Mountain	2017
5A	8	Joseph Federico	Saint Mary's vs. Alhambra	2012
4A	10	Mario Armendarez	Washington vs. Agua Fria	2015
3A	9	Gage Baker	Paradise Honors vs. Odyssey Institute	2022
3A	9	Gage Reese	Yuma Catholic vs. San Manuel	2019
3A	9	Rathen Ricedorff	Show Low vs. Chinle	2009
2A	9	Malachi Wilt	Tonopah Valley vs. Mountainside	2022
2A	9	William Webber	Sequoia Pathway vs. Santa Rita	2021
2A	9	Ryan Powell	Miami vs. San Carlos	2019





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### Touchdown Passes (game top performers)

1.	10	Mario Armendarez	Washington vs. Agua Fria	2015
T2.	9	Gage Baker	Paradise Honors vs. Odyssey Institute	2022
T2.	9	Malachi Wilt	Tonopah Valley vs. Mountainview	2022
T2.	9	William Webber	Sequoia Pathway vs. Santa Rita	2021
T2.	9	Ryan Powell	Miami vs. San Carlos	2019
T2.	9	Gage Reese	Yuma Catholic vs. San Manuel	2019
T2.	9	Trevor Messing	Thunderbird vs. Saint Mary's	2018
T2.	9	Mason Crossland	Higley vs. Apache Junction	2014
T2.	9	Gabe Losada	Saint Mary's vs. Camelback	2013
T2.	9	Luke Rubenezer	Saguaro vs. Desert Edge	2013
T2.	9	Rathen Ricedorff	Show Low vs. Chinle	2009
T12.	8	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic vs. Chino Valley	2021
T12.	8	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic vs. Round Valley	2021
T12.	8	Gage Baker	Paradise Honors vs. Odyssey Institute	2021
T12.	8	Gage Baker	Paradise Honors vs. Cortez	2021
T12.	8	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic vs. Kingman	2020
T12.	8	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic vs. Cortez	2020
T12.	8	Ty Thompson	Mesquite vs. Buckeye Union	2019
T12.	8	Alex Bell	Sabino vs. Empire	2017
T12.	8	Dallin Edwards	ALA-Queen Creek vs. Benjamin Franklin	2015
T12.	8	Gabe Losada	Saint Mary's vs. Cary Harden	2013
T12.	8	Anthony Hernandez	Desert Edge vs. Shadow Ridge	2013
T12.	8	Joseph Federico	Saint Mary's vs. Alhambra	2012

### Touchdown Passes (season by conference)

6A	57	Brock Purdy	Perry	2017
5A	52	Chase Cord	Sunrise Mountain	2015
4A	61	Luke Rubenezer	Saguaro	2013
3A	67	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2021
2A	53	Jack Miller	Scottsdale Christian	2016

### Touchdown Passes (season top performers)

1.	67	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2021
2.	64	Gage Reese	Yuma Catholic	2018
3.	61	Luke Rubenezer	Saguaro	2013
4.	60	Anthony Hernandez	Desert Edge	2013
5.	59	Adam Damante	ALA-Gilbert North	2022
6.	57	Brock Purdy	Perry	2017
7.	55	Rathen Ricedorff	Show Low	2010
8.	54	Gage Baker	Paradise Honors	2022
9.	53	Jack Miller	Scottsdale Christian	2016
T10.	52	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2022
T10.	52	Chase Cord	Sunrise Mountain	2015
T12.	51	Jagan Cleary	Yuma Catholic	2014
T12.	51	Ryan Bresnahan	Seton Catholic	2011
T14.	49	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2020
T14.	49	Brian Wriston	Moon Valley	2004
16.	47	Daniel Bridge-Gadd	Paradise Valley	2015
T17.	46	Adam Damante	ALA-Gilbert North	2021
T17.	46	Rand Jensen	ALA-Queen Creek	2019
T17.	46	Bryce Perkins	Chandler	2014
T17.	46	Phillip Aholt	Cactus Shadows	2006

### Touchdown Passes (career by conference)

6A	116	Spencer Rattler	Pinnacle	2015-18
5A	117	Adryan Lara	Desert Edge	2018-21
4A	137	Chase Cord	Sunrise Mountain	2013-16
3A	168	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2020-22
2A	115	Jagan Cleary	Yuma Catholic	2012-14

### Touchdown Passes (career top performers)

1.	168	Richard Stallworth	Yuma Catholic	2020-22
2.	137	Chase Cord	Sunrise Mountain	2013-16
3.	133	Gage Reese	Yuma Catholic	2016-19
4.	130	Luke Rubenezer	Saguaro	2011-13
5.	117	Adryan Lara	Desert Edge	2018-21
6.	116	Spencer Rattler	Pinnacle	2015-18
T7.	115	Jack Miller	Chaparral/Scottsdale Christian	2016-19
T7.	115	Jagan Cleary	Yuma Catholic	2012-14
T7.	115	Daniel Bridge-Gadd	Paradise Valley	2012-15
T10.	112	Mason Crossland	Higley	2013-16
T10.	112	Rathen Ricedorff	Show Low	2007-10

T12.	109	Adam Damante	ALA-Gilbert North	2020-22
T12.	109	Cameron Haag	Arizona Lutheran	2012-15
T12.	109	Matt Inman	Yuma Catholic	2005-08
15.	107	Brock Purdy	Perry	2015-17
16.	106	Emmanuel Gant	Tempe	2011-14
17.	102	Jacon Conover	Chandler	2016-18
T18.	100	Ty Thompson	Mesquite	2017-20
T18.	100	Gunner Cruz	Casteel	2016-18
20.	93	Gabe Losada	Saint Mary's	2011-14

### Receptions (game by conference)

6A	17	Vodrey Gates	Valley Vista vs. Perry	2016
6A	17	Robby Millward	Mountain View (Mesa) vs. Pinnacle	2013
5A	21	John Mistler	Sahuaro vs. Sabino	1975
4A	21	Kyle Watkins	Cactus Shadows vs. Higley	2006
3A	18	Randy Nikolaus	Show Low vs. Holbrook	1982
2A	21	Paul Hardiman	Valley Christian vs. Valley Lutheran	2002

### Receptions (game top performers)

T1.	21	Kyle Watkins	Cactus Shadows vs. Higley	2006
T1.	21	Paul Hardiman	Valley Christian vs. Valley Lutheran	2002
T1.	21	John Mistler	Sahuaro vs. Sabino	1975
4.	20	Carter Rodriguez	Yuma Catholic vs. Northwest Christian	2014
T5.	19	Clifton Jones	Florence vs. Superior	1995
T5.	19	Bryan Marshall	Hopi vs. Valley (Sanders)	1988
T7.	18	Jared Beamon	Paradise Valley vs. Notre Dame Prep	2016
T7.	18	Mike Funk	Hopi vs. Bagdad	1988
T7.	18	Bryan Marshall	Hopi vs. Orme School	1988
T7.	18	Randy Nikolaus	Show Low vs. Holbrook	1982
T11.	17	Daniel Dippie	San Tan Charter vs. Blue Ridge	2021
T11.	17	AJ Blair	Cholla vs. Flowing Wells	2017
T11.	17	Vodrey Gates	Valley Vista vs. Perry	2016
T11.	17	Robert Branch-Williams	Coronado vs. Apache Junction	2016
T11.	17	Jiovanni Ortega	Buena vs. Tucson	2015
T11.	17	Carter Rodriguez	Yuma Catholic vs. Northwest Christian	2014
T11.	17	Robby Millward	Mountain View (Mesa) vs. Pinnacle	2013
T11.	17	Sean Bowman	Phoenix Christian	1999
T11.	17	Marcus Erkel	Rincon vs. Palo Verde	1997
T11.	17	Mike Funk	Hopi vs. Monument Valley (UT)	1988
T11.	17	Mike Funk	Hopi vs. Queen Creek	1988

### Receptions (season by conference)

6A	106	Grady Hickey	Chaparral	2021
5A	106	Carter Hancock	Higley	2022
4A	113	Elijah Marks	Desert Edge	2013
3A	89	Randy Nikolaus	Show Low	1982
2A	101	Clifton Jones	Florence	1995

### Receptions (season top performers)

1.	113	Elijah Marks	Desert Edge	2013
2.	112	John Leonard	Cactus Shadows	2010
T3.	106	Carter Hancock	Higley	2022
T3.	106	Grady Hickey	Chaparral	2021
5.	101	Clifton Jones	Florence	1995
6.	100	Calvin Dacus	Sahuaro	1999
T7.	99	Jihad Marks	Desert Edge	2019
T7.	99	Coleman Owen	Higley	2018
T9.	97	Dom Esposito	Higley	2022
T9.	97	Brandon Phelps	ALA-Gilbert North	2022
T9.	97	Zach Nelson	Casteel	2018
12.	96	Kade Warner	Desert Mountain	2015
13.	95	Tyler Hironaka	Gilbert	2019
14.	94	Mata'ava Ta'ase	Mountain View (Mesa)	2015
15.	92	Dezmen Roebuck	Marana	2022
16.	91	AJ Blair	Cholla	2017
17.	90	Lukas Treffers	Saint Mary's	2012
T18.	89	Jared Beamon	Paradise Valley	2016
T18.	89	Randy Nikolaus	Show Low	1982
T20.	88	Plas Johnson	Chaparral	2022
T20.	88	Byron Murphy	Saguaro	2015
T20.	88	Kyle Watkins	Cactus Shadows	2006





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### Receptions (career by conference)

6A	241	Kade Warner	Desert Mountain	2014-16
5A	181	Jalen Brown	Mountain Pointe	2010-13
4A	217	Trevor Russell	Casa Grande	2013-16
3A	196	Zach Nelson	Casteel	2016-18
2A	195	Dano Lopez	Bisbee	2016-19

### Receptions (career top performers)

1.	241	Kade Warner	Desert Mountain	2014-16
2.	217	Trevor Russell	Casa Grande	2013-16
3.	214	Calvin Dacus	Sahuaro	1997-99
4.	207	Mark Andrews	Desert Mountain	2011-13
5.	206	Colby Dickie	Perry	2016-18
6.	203	Christian Kirk	Saguaro	2011-14
7.	201	Brandt Goodwin	Saguaro	2016-19
T8.	198	Brandon Phelps	ALA-Gilbert North	2020-22
T8.	198	Gunner Romney	Chandler	2015-17
10.	196	Zach Nelson	Casteel	2016-18
11.	195	Dano Lopez	Bisbee	2016-19
12.	191	Carter Hancock	Higley	2020-22
13.	187	Josh Weeks	Show Low	2008-11
14.	186	Brandt Goodwin	Casteel	2016-18
15.	185	Bristol Olomua	Ganada/Red Mountain	1996-98
16.	181	Jalen Brown	Mountain Pointe	2010-13
T17.	179	Cameron Denson	Salpointe Catholic	2010-13
T17.	179	Chris Heldore	Desert Ridge	2006-08
19.	177	Jacob Brown	Paradise Valley	2013-15
20.	175	Duce Robinson	Pinnacle	2019-22

### Receiving Yards (game by conference)

6A	342	Ricky Pearsall	Corona del Sol vs. Gilbert	2017
5A	329	Josh Morrow	Mountain Ridge vs. O'Connor	2005
4A	324	Elijah Marks	Desert Edge vs. Agua Fria	2013
3A	293	Mario Martinez	Yuma Catholic vs. SLAM Academy (NV)	2021
2A	368	Ben McKeighan	Scottsdale Prep vs. Paradise Honors	2014

### Receiving Yards (game top performers)

1.	368	Ben McKeighan	Scottsdale Prep vs. Paradise Honors	2014
2.	342	Ricky Pearsall	Corona del Sol vs. Gilbert	2017
3.	340	Sean Bowman	Phoenix Christian vs. Valley Christian	1999
4.	339	Josh Morrow	Mountain Ridge vs. O'Connor	2005
5.	335	Rick Huisman	Phoenix Christian vs. Bourgade Catholic	1998
6.	332	Terrell Brown	Basha vs. Desert Vista	2016
7.	325	Clifton Jones	Florence vs. Superior	1995
8.	324	Elijah Marks	Desert Edge vs. Agua Fria	2013
9.	321	Mike Funk	Hopi vs. Bagdad	1988
10.	318	Bryan Marshall	Hopi vs. Orme School	1988
11.	316	Deonte Williams	Buena vs. Cienega	2014
12.	315	Mark Marcos	Centennial vs. Mingus Union	1997
13.	313	Mike Funk	Hopi vs. Monument Valley (UT)	1988
14.	308	Lee Cochran	Tonopah Valley vs. Gila Bend	2005
15.	304	Dennis Tate	Tucson vs. Sunnyside	1972
16.	302	Pete Klaass	Paradise Valley vs. Sunnyslope	1983
17.	300	Jared Beamon	Paradise Valley vs. Maricopa	2016
18.	299	Mike Funk	Hopi vs. Queen Creek	1988
19.	297	Jordy Casado	Buckeye vs. Agua Fria	2015
20.	296	Larry Bandura	Scottsdale vs. Mesa	1971

### Receiving Yards (season by conference)

6A	1,614	Duce Robinson	Pinnacle	2022
5A	1,747	Jacob Brown	Paradise Valley	2015
4A	2,153	Elijah Marks	Desert Edge	2013
3A	2,101	John Henderson	Yuma Catholic	2018
2A	1,627	Gabe Escobedo	Miami	2019

### Receiving Yards (season top performers)

1.	2,153	Elijah Marks	Desert Edge	2013
2.	2,101	John Henderson	Yuma Catholic	2018
3.	1,760	Damian Segovia	Greenway	1995
4.	1,747	Jacob Brown	Paradise Valley	2015
5.	1,733	Byron Murphy	Saguaro	2015
6.	1,728	Victor Gamiz	Washington	2006
7.	1,727	Carter Hancock	Higley	2022

8.	1,716	Jihad Marks	Desert Edge	2019
9.	1,710	Brandon Phelps	ALA-Gilbert North	2022
10.	1,662	Jimmy Connor	Greenway	1998
11.	1,627	Gabe Escobedo	Miami	2019
12.	1,614	Duce Robinson	Pinnacle	2022
13.	1,601	Clifton Jones	Florence	1995
14.	1,593	Chris MCGaha	Moon Valley	2004
15.	1,589	AJ Blair	Cholla	2017
16.	1,583	Matt Bushman	Sabino	2013
17.	1,579	Angel Ruiz	Sunrise Mountain	2017
18.	1,562	Austin Johnston	Eastmark	2022
19.	1,561	Josh Weeks	Show Low	2010
20.	1,559	Kyle Watkins	Cactus Shadows	2006

### Receiving Yards (career by conference)

6A	3,674	Mark Andrews	Desert Mountain	2011-13
5A	3,367	Jalen Brown	Mountain Pointe	2010-13
4A	3,943	Christian Kirk	Saguaro	2011-14
3A	3,851	Josh Weeks	Show Low	2008-11
2A	2,918	Dano Lopez	Bisbee	2016-19

### Receiving Yards (career top performers)

1.	3,943	Christian Kirk	Saguaro	2011-14
2.	3,851	Josh Weeks	Show Low	2008-11
3.	3,674	Mark Andrews	Desert Mountain	2011-13
4.	3,665	John Henderson	Yuma Catholic	2016-18
5.	3,629	Gunner Romney	Chandler	2015-17
6.	3,537	Cameron Denson	Salpointe Catholic	2010-13
7.	3,492	Elijah Marks	Desert Edge	2012-13
8.	3,471	Colbie Dickie	Perry	2016-18
9.	3,468	Trevor Russell	Casa Grande	2013-16
10.	3,392	Spencer Schuller	Bisbee	2012-15
11.	3,367	Jalen Brown	Mountain Pointe	2010-13
12.	3,348	Jacob Brown	Paradise Valley	2013-15
13.	3,333	Damian Segovia	Greenway	1993-95
14.	3,302	Brandon Phelps	ALA-Gilbert North	2020-22
15.	3,161	Brandt Goodwin	Saguaro	2016-19
16.	3,136	Gabe Escobedo	Miami	2019-21
17.	3,123	Gabe Galvan	Arizona Lutheran	2012-15
18.	3,081	Byron Murphy	Saguaro/Marcos de Niza	2013-15
19.	3,062	Zach Nelson	Casteel	2016-18
20.	3,053	Nate Phillips	Basha	2010-12

### Touchdown Catches (game by conference)

6A	7	Edward McClendon	Mesa vs. Dobson	2018
5A	6	Garrett Billings	Ironwood Ridge vs. Flowing Wells	2016
5A	6	Josh Morrow	Mountain Ridge vs. O'Connor	2005
4A	5	Kain Ream	Thunderbird vs. Saint Mary's	2018
4A	5	Jordan Lopez	Walden Grove vs. Douglas	2018
4A	5	Allante Shines	Maryvale vs. South Mountain	2015
4A	5	Elijah Marks	Desert Edge vs. Shadow Ridge	2013
4A	5	J.T. Nettleton	Saguaro vs. Desert Edge	2013
4A	5	Massiah Smith	Tempe vs. Alhambra	2013
4A	5	Kyle Watkins	Cactus Shadows vs. Washington	2006
3A	5	Johnny Bellino	ALA-Gilbert North vs. AZ College Prep	2021
3A	5	Savion Boone	Fountain Hills vs. Florence	2020
3A	5	Adam Englebert	Seton Catholic vs. Bourgade Catholic	2011
2A	5	Bujon Boyd	ALA-Queen Creek vs. Benjamin Franklin	2015
2A	5	Austin Torress	Tanque Verde vs. San Manuel	2015
2A	5	Ben McKeighan	Scottsdale Prep vs. Paradise Honors	2014
2A	5	Carter Rodriguez	Yuma Catholic vs. Northwest Christian	2014
2A	5	Brady Cook	Arizona Lutheran vs., Joy Christian	2013
2A	5	Lee Cochran	Tonopah Valley vs. Gila Bend	2005
2A	5	George Kreckellberg	Camp Verde	1987
2A	5	Tom Lodge	Cholla vs. Phoenix Indian School	1970
2A	5	Dwight Bennett	Glendale vs. Paradise Valley	1966

### Touchdown Catches (game top performers)

1.	7	Edward McClendon	Mesa vs. Dobson	2018
T2.	6	Garrett Billings	Ironwood Ridge vs. Flowing Wells	2016
T2.	6	Josh Morrow	Mountain Ridge vs. O'Connor	2005
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### Touchdown Catches (season by conference)

6A	21	Mark Andrews	Desert Mountain	2012
5A	24	Angel Ruiz	Sunrise Mountain	2017
4A	28	Brandon Phelps	ALA-Gilbert North	2022
3A	29	John Henderson	Yuma Catholic	2018
2A	26	Spencer Schuller	Bisbee	2015

### Touchdown Catches (season top performers)

1.	29	John Henderson	Yuma Catholic	2018
2.	28	Brandon Phelps	ALA-Gilbert North	2022
T3.	26	Spencer Schuller	Bisbee	2015
T3.	26	Elijah Marks	Desert Edge	2013
T3.	26	Matt Bushman	Sabino	2013
T6.	24	Christian Sanabria	Camp Verde	2022
T6.	24	Dujuan Lawrence	Joy Christian	2015
T6.	24	Adam Engelbert	Seton Catholic	2011
T6.	24	Brandon Hirneise	Notre Dame Prep	2007
T6.	24	Kyle Watkins	Cactus Shadows	2006
T11.	23	Angel Ruiz	Sunrise Mountain	2017
T11.	23	JT Nettleton	Saguaro	2013
T11.	23	Jimmy Connor	Greenway	1998
T14.	22	Austin Johnston	Eastmark	2022
T14.	22	Joseph McCubbin	Tonopah Valley	2022
T14.	22	Jacob Caites	Scottsdale Christian	2016
T14.	22	Jacob Brown	Paradise Valley	2015
T14.	22	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep	2013
T14.	22	Chris McGaha	Moon Valley	2004
T20.	21	Austin Rush	Yuma Catholic	2021
T20.	21	Byron Murphy	Saguaro	2015
T20.	21	Brady Cook	Arizona Lutheran	2013
T20.	21	Mark Andrews	Desert Mountain	2012
T20.	21	Sean Bowman	Phoenix Christian	1999
T20.	21	Damian Segovia	Greenway	1995

### Touchdown Catches (career by conference)

6A	48	Mark Andrews	Desert Mountain	2011-13
5A	50	Jalen Brown	Mountain Pointe	2011-13
4A	52	Christian Kirk	Saguaro	2011-14
3A	46	Josh Weeks	Show Low	2008-10
2A	49	Gabe Galvan	Arizona Lutheran	2012-15

### Touchdown Catches (career top performers)

1.	52	Christian Kirk	Saguaro	2011-14
2.	50	Jalen Brown	Mountain Pointe	2010-13
3.	49	Gabe Galvan	Arizona Lutheran	2012-15
4.	48	Mark Andrews	Desert Mountain	2011-13
5.	47	Spencer Schuller	Bisbee	2012-15
6.	46	Josh Weeks	Show Low	2008-11
T7.	45	Trevor Russell	Casa Grande	2013-16
T7.	45	Jacob Brown	Paradise Valley	2013-15
T9.	44	Brandon Phelps	ALA-Gilbert North	2020-22
T9.	44	Elijah Marks	Desert Edge	2012-13
T11.	42	John Henderson	Yuma Catholic	2015-18
T11.	42	Matt Bushman	Sabino	2011-13
T11.	42	Cameron Denson	Salpointe Catholic	2010-13
T11.	42	Bristol Olomua	Ganado/Red Mountain	1996-98
15.	41	Austin Rush	Yuma Catholic	2019-21
T16.	40	Jacob Caites	Scottsdale Christian	2015-17
T16.	40	John Peel	Chaparral	2001-03
T18.	38	Austin Johnston	Eastmark	2020-22
T18.	38	Jake Smith	Notre Dame Prep	2016-18
T18.	38	Colbie Dickie	Perry	2016-18
T18.	38	Brady Cook	Arizona Lutheran	2013-14

### Extra Points (game by conference)

6A	11	Braeden Lacombe	Mountain Ridge vs. La Joya	2021
6A	11	Jacob Veach	Pinnacle vs. Desert Mountain	2017
5A	12	Bryson Wilke	Willow Canyon vs. Kofa	2021
4A	12	Griffin Roehler	Agua Fria vs. Washington	2015
3A	12	Derek Auclair	Casteel vs. ASU Prep	2017
3A	12	Alex Shores	Page vs. Monument Valley	1974
2A	11	Edgar Cota	Santa Cruz Valley vs. Tombstone	2017
2A	11	Joey Mariscal	Florence vs. Seton Catholic	1987

### Extra Points (game top performers)

T1.	12	Bryson Wilke	Willow Canyon vs. Kofa	2021
T1.	12	Derek Auclair	Casteel vs. ASU Prep	2017
T1.	12	Griffin Roehler	Agua Fria vs. Washington	2015
T1.	12	Alex Shores	Page vs. Monument Valley	1974
T5.	11	Braeden Lacombe	Mountain Ridge vs. La Joya	2021
T5.	11	Jesus Trejo	Coconino vs. Cortez	2020
T5.	11	Pablo Vargas	Gila Ridge vs. Kofa	2019
T5.	11	Parker Lewis	Saguaro vs. Desert Mountain	2018
T5.	11	Jacob Veach	Pinnacle vs. Desert Mountain	2017
T5.	11	Edgar Cota	Santa Cruz Valley vs. Tombstone	2017
T5.	11	Jacob Lange	Empire vs. Santa Rita	2016
T5.	11	Jonathan Sangillo	Desert Edge vs. Agua Fria	2015
T5.	11	Matthew Rosedale	Saguaro vs. Desert Edge	2013
T5.	11	Dylan Audsley	Chaparral vs. McClintock	2011
T5.	11	Matt Boatman	Chaparral vs. Agua Fria	2005
T5.	11	Joey Mariscal	Florence vs. Seton Catholic	1987
T5.	11	Ed Brooks	Phoenix Union vs. Prescott	1914
10		many times		

### Extra Points (season by conference)

6A	88	Crew Peterman	Chandler	2019
5A	84	Joe Navarro	Centennial	2012
4A	100	Peter Douds	Saguaro	2011
3A	94	Derek Auclair	Casteel	2017
2A	95	Austin Booker	Joy Christian	2015

### Extra Points (season top performers)

1.	100	Peter Douds	Saguaro	2011
T2.	95	Austin Booker	Joy Christian	2015
T2.	95	Matthew Rosedale	Saguaro	2014
4.	94	Derek Auclair	Casteel	2017
5.	88	Crew Peterman	Chandler	2019
6.	86	Parker Lewis	Saguaro	2018
T7.	84	Matthew Rosedale	Saguaro	2016
T7.	84	Joe Navarro	Centennial	2012
T9.	83	Matt Boatman	Chaparral	2003
T9.	83	Greg Shorts	Centennial	2006
11.	82	Peter Douds	Saguaro	2010
T12.	81	Dylan Audsley	Chaparral	2011
T12.	81	Alan Bayze	Sabino	1997
T14.	80	Cash Peterman	Chandler	2017
T14.	80	Sean Buzier	Chaparral	2010
T14.	80	Alan Bayze	Sabino	1997
T17.	79	Jason Cross	Phoenix Christian	2019
T17.	79	McKaden Chatwin	ALA-Queen Creek	2018
T17.	79	Jonathan Sangillo	Desert Edge	2015
T17.	79	Osvaldo Rodriguez	Yuma Catholic	2014
T17.	79	Bruce Packal	Chaparral	2013
T17.	79	Derek Gregson	Williams Field	2010

### Extra Points (career by conference)

6A	181	Ben Abercrombie	Mountain Pointe	2015-18
5A	181	Joe Navarro	Centennial	2012-14
4A	274	Matthew Rosedale	Saguaro	2013-16
3A	184	Talen Rider	ALA-Queen Creek	2016-18
2A	191	Osvaldo Rodriguez	Yuma Catholic	2012-14

### Extra Points (career top performers)

1.	274	Matthew Rosedale	Saguaro	2013-16
2.	232	Peter Douds	Saguaro	2009-11
3.	223	Jason Cross	Phoenix Christian	2017-19
4.	208	Matt Boatman	Chaparral	2002-05
5.	191	Osvaldo Rodriguez	Yuma Catholic	2012-14
6.	189	Derek Auclair	Casteel	2016-18
7.	184	Talen Rider	ALA-Queen Creek	2016-18
8.	183	Matt Boatman	Chaparral	2003-05
T9.	181	Ben Abercrombie	Mountain Pointe	2015-18
T9.	181	Joe Navarro	Centennial	2012-14
11.	176	Sam Crockett	Snowflake	2018-21
12.	170	Derek Gregson	Williams Field	2010-12
13.	169	Josh Lane	Phoenix Christian	1994-97
T14.	168	Xavier Rojas	Centennial	2015-17





## Football Records - Individual (2A-6A)

T16.	162	Parker Lewis	Saguaro	2017-19
T16.	162	Tyler Watt	Liberty	2012-14
18.	160	Jonathan Sangillo	Desert Edge	2015-17
19.	159	Conner McRae	Liberty	2008-10
20.	158	Bobby Bird	Sabino	2005-07

### Longest Field Goals

1.	63	Jeff Locke	Mountain Ridge vs. Sunnyside	2007
2.	62	Kyle Pooler	Cactus vs. Coconino	1989
3.	61	Ryan Hawkins	Sunrise Mountain vs. Peoria	2011
4.	60	Ramey Peru	Dobson vs. Mesa	1998
T5.	59	Ryan Hawkins	Sunrise Mountain vs. Cactus	2011
T5.	59	Alex Zandejas	Ironwood vs. South Mountain	2006
T5.	59	Ezra Ricks	Cactus vs. Mingus Union	2005
T8.	58	Brayden Narveson	Desert Mountain vs. Mesa	2017
T8.	58	Brandon Ruiz	Williams Field vs. Marana	2016
T8.	58	Austin Casillas	Highland vs. Skyline	2011
T8.	58	Bubba Bradley	Cactus	2003
T8.	58	Jim Sanson	Saint Mary's vs. Westwood	1994
T13.	57	Kenneth Castellanos	Peoria vs. Coconino	2014
T13.	57	Chris Arollo	Apollo vs. Washington	2007
T13.	57	Bryce Solberg	Flagstaff vs. Apollo	1997
T13.	57	Mike Johnson	Centennial	1995
T13.	57	Todd Purdin	Saguaro	1995
T13.	57	Bill Zivic	Palo Verde	1977
T13.	57	Jeff Black	Sahuaro	1988
T20.	56	Jeff Locke	Mountain Ridge vs. Yuma	2007
T20.	56	Cody Morrow	Apache Junction vs. Coronado	2006
T20.	56	Alex Zandejas	Ironwood vs. Deer Valley	2005
T20.	56	Esteban Bayona	Marcos de Niza vs. Westwood	2002
T20.	56	Lucas Coelho	Dobson	1996

### Field Goals (game by conference)

6A	4	Matthew Krneta	Hamilton vs. Chandler	2022
6A	4	Timothy Tynan	Basha vs. Hamilton	2022
6A	4	Brysen Gardner	Centennial vs. Shadow Ridge	2021
6A	4	Konner Olson	Higley vs. Williams Field	2020
6A	4	Mark Vargas	Tucson vs. Mountain View (Marana)	2018
6A	4	Carlos Cruz	North vs. Maryvale	2017
6A	4	Brandon Johnson	Mountain Pointe vs. Desert Ridge	2015
6A	4	Austin Bull	Perry vs. Mountain Ridge	2014
5A	5	Brandon Ruiz	Williams Field vs. Campo Verde	2016
5A	5	Jeremy Kelly	Mtn. View (Mesa) vs. Marcos de Niza	1996
4A	4	Danny Compton	Paradise Valley vs. Saguaro	2008
4A	4	Tyler Blair	Coronado vs. Higley	2006
4A	4	Bubba Bradley	Cactus	2003
4A	4	Andy Schiesl	Chaparral vs. Apache Junction	1993
4A	4	Jason Givens	Yuma	1992
3A	5	Logan Rush	Yuma Catholic vs. Payson	2021
2A	7	Kris Pulsifer	St. Johns vs. Red Mesa	1999

### Field Goals (game top performers)

1.	7	Kris Pulsifer	St. Johns vs. Red Mesa	1999
T2.	5	Logan Rush	Yuma Catholic vs. Payson	2021
T2.	5	Brandon Ruiz	Williams Field vs. Campo Verde	2016
T2.	5	Nick Longanecker	Valley Christian vs. Westwind Prep	2006
T2.	5	Jeremy Kelly	Mtn. View (Mesa) vs. Marcos de Niza	1996
	4	many times		

### Field Goals (season by conference)

6A	18	Matthew Krneta	Hamilton	2022
5A	19	Mike Cortright	Saint Mary's	1985
4A	19	Bubba Bradley	Cactus	2003
3A	20	Samuel Crockett	Snowflake	2021
2A		Kris Pulsifer	St. Johns	

### Field Goals (season top performers)

1.	20	Samuel Crockett	Snowflake	2021
T2.	19	Bubba Bradley	Cactus	2003
T2.	19	Cory Lizarraga	Blue Ridge	1997
T2.	19	Mike Cortright	Saint Mary's	1985
	18	Matthew Krneta	Hamilton	2022
	17	Brandon Ruiz	Williams Field	2016

T7.	16	Ben Pigg	Bradshaw Mountain	2007
T7.	16	Kyle Pooler	Cactus	1989
T9.	15	Justin Barber	Basha	2011
T9.	15	Ryan Hawkins	Sunrise Mountain	2010
T9.	15	Danny Berzins	Desert Ridge	2010
T9.	15	Alex Garoutte	Brophy Prep	2009
T9.	15	Ezra Ricks	Cactus	2005
T9.	15	Kyle Day	Sahuarita	2004
T9.	15	Erik Contos	Red Mountain	2001
T9.	15	Jeremy Kelly	Mountain View (Mesa)	1996
T9.	15	Jeremy Kelly	Mountain View (Mesa)	1995
T18.	14	Talen Rider	ALA-Queen Creek	2018
T18.	14	Trevor Eldean	Brophy Prep	2016
	13	many times		

### Field Goals (career by conference)

6A	22	Austin McNamara	Highland	2016-18
5A	36	Mike Cortright	Saint Mary's	1983-85
4A	30	Ryan Hawkins	Sunrise Mountain	2009-11
3A	32	Sam Crockett	Snowflake	2018-21
2A	24	Kris Pulsifer	St. Johns	1999-00

### Field Goals (career top performers)

1.	36	Mike Cortright	Saint Mary's	1983-85
2.	32	Sam Crockett	Snowflake	2018-21
3.	31	Brandon Ruiz	Williams Field	2014-16
T4.	30	Talen Rider	ALA-Queen Creek	2016-18
T4.	30	Ryan Hawkins	Sunrise Mountain	2009-11
T4.	30	Jeremy Kelly	Mountain View (Mesa)	1995-96
7.	29	Jeff Black	Sahuaro	1986-88
8.	27	Jeff Locke	Mountain Ridge	2004-07
T9.	26	Matthew Krneta	Hamilton	2020-22
T9	26	Quin Rodriguez	Dobson	1984-86
T11.	25	Bryce Peters	Prescott	2015-18
T11.	25	Ezra Ricks	Cactus	2004-05
T13.	24	Kris Pulsifer	St. Johns	1999-00
T13.	24	Kyler Pooler	Cactus	1987-89
T15.	23	Antonio DeCozio	Desert Ridge	2015-16
T15.	23	Danny Groebner	Blue Ridge	2009-11
T15.	23	Maeshall Dirksen	McClintock	2008-10
T15.	23	Alex Zandejas	Ironwood	2004-06
T19.	22	Austin McNamara	Highland	2016-18
T19.	22	Alex Moyes	Combs	2011-14
T19.	22	Alex Garoutte	Brophy Prep	2008-09
T19.	22	Jim Sanson	Saint Mary's	1993-95
T19.	22	Dave Wood	Washington	1976-79

### Interceptions (game by conference)

6A	4	Seth Dombia	Basha vs. Liberty	2015
5A	5	Joseph La Mar	South Mountain vs. Carl Hayden	2008
4A	5	Aaron Smith	Sabino vs. Desert View	1996
3A	7	Gabe Lumas	Kingman vs. Flagstaff	2011
2A	5	Graham Nielson	St. Johns vs. Arizona Lutheran	2019

### Interceptions (game top performers)

1.	7	Gabe Lumas	Kingman vs. Flagstaff	2011
T2.	5	Graham Nielson	St. Johns vs. Arizona Lutheran	2019
T2.	5	Joseph La Mar	South Mountain vs. Carl Hayden	2008
T2.	5	Aaron Smith	Sabino vs. Desert View	1996
T2.	5	Mike Koza	Santa Rita vs. Nogales	1974
T2.	5	Dick Gwinn	Judson vs. Bourgade Catholic	1964
T2.	5	Conrad Flippen	Phoenix Union vs. Albuquerque (NM)	1930
	4	many times		

### Interceptions (season by conference)

6A	10	Elijah Pharrams	Mesa	2016
6A	10	Isaiah Pola-Mao	Mountain Pointe	2016
5A	18	Rudy Quihuis	Pueblo	1967
4A	16	Max Tabach	Saguaro	2006
3A	15	Mike Vere	Bourgade	1972
2A	16	Brandon Tomerlin	Superior	1996





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### Interceptions (season top performers)

1.	18	Rudy Quihuis	Pueblo	1967
T2.	16	Max Tabach	Saguaro	2006
T2.	16	Brandon Tomerlin	Superior	1996
T4.	15	Adam Patterson	St. Johns	2002
T4.	15	Mike Vere	Bourgade Catholic	1972
T6.	14	Cory Lizarraga	Blue Ridge	1997
T6.	14	Aaron Smith	Sabino	1996
T6.	14	Mickey Bell	Cactus	1979
T6.	14	Andy Zwingle	Peoria	1979
T10.	13	Brandon Langston	River Valley	2007
T10.	13	Jeremy Ryan	St. Johns	1994
T10.	13	Danny Arellano	Blue Ridge	1994
T10.	13	Scotty Malm	Phoenix Christian	1986
T10.	13	Shawn Benson	Mesa	1981
T10.	13	Harold Smith	Florence	1974
T10.	13	Greg Anderson	Saint Mary's	1967
	12	many times		

### Interceptions (career by conference)

6A	21	Isaiah Pola-Mao	Mountain Pointe	2014-16
5A	25	Rudy Quihuis	Pueblo	1966-67
4A	27	Angel Corona	Flowing Wells	1983-85
3A	26	Phillip Echeverria	Buckeye	1985-87
2A	32	Brandon Tomerlin	Superior	1995-98

### Interceptions (career top performers)

1.	32	Brandon Tomerlin	Superior	1995-98
2.	30	Harold Smith	Florence	1972-74
3.	29	Billy Burris	Florence	1987-89
4.	27	Angel Corona	Flowing Wells	1983-85
5.	26	Phillip Echeverria	Buckeye	1985-87
T6.	25	Rudy Quihuis	Pueblo	1966-67
T6.	25	Chad Ence	St. Johns	1989-90
T6.	25	David Moran	Bradshaw Mountain	1992-95
T6.	25	Rudy Quihuis	Pueblo	1966-67
T10.	24	Carlos Artis	Washington	1988-90
T10.	24	Troy Gilliland	Parker	1982-85
T10.	24	Jay Jones	Douglas	1977-79
T13.	21	Isaiah Pola-Mao	Mountain Pointe	2014-16
T13.	21	Cory Lizarraga	Blue Ridge	1996-97
T15.	20	Heath Motes	Thatcher	2012-14
T15.	20	Tim Austill	Mingus Union	2005-07
T15.	20	Aaron Smith	Sabino	1995-96
T15.	20	Chad Ence	St. Johns	1989-90
T15.	20	Rhon McKinney	North	1985-86
T15.	20	Keith Miller	Mountain View (Mesa)	1977-78
T15.	20	Charles Cobb	Florence	1975-77

### Coaching Victories

349-99-4	Mike Morgan	St. Johns
336-71-0	Paul Moro	Blue Ridge/Poston Butte/Marcos de Niza
332-120-3	Jim Rattay	Cesar Chavez (200-91-1 in Arizona)
331-159-6	Vern Friedli	Amphitheater
331-100-3	Larry Fetkenhier	Cactus (315-96-3 in Arizona)
324-135-6	Richard Taylor	Centennial (275-89-3 in Arizona)
309-139-4	Jesse Parker	Gilbert
308-138-3	Karl Kiefer	McClintock/Mountain Pointe

### Highest Scores (by winning team)

113-0	Scottsdale def. Salt River Indian School	1940
106-0	Prescott def. Kingman	1925
106-0	Clarkdale def. Kingman	1924
102-0	Page def. Monument Valley	1974
102-0	Long Beach Poly (CA) def. Phoenix Union	1919
101-0	Clarkdale def. Kingman	1925
100-6	Westwood def. Kofa	1969
99-0	Douglas def. Tombstone	1925
96-0	Willow Canyon def. Kofa	2021
96-74	Agua Fria vs. Washington	2015
95-75	Higley def. Apache Junction	2014
95-0	Douglas def. Nogales	1920
94-0	Page def. Window Rock	2018
94-0	Winslow def. Truxton Indians	1931
94-0	Phoenix Union def. Miami	1928
91-0	Page def. Monument Valley	1975
90-7	Sunnyside def. Cholla	1999
90-6	Phoenix Union def. Chandler	1924
89-0	Santa Cruz Valley def. Tombstone	2017
89-8	Florence def. Seton Catholic	1987
89-0	Page def. Window Rock	1975
89-0	Marana def. Sahuarita	1968
88-28	Chaparral def. Agua Fria	2005
88-0	Safford def. Lordsburg (NM)	1932
88-0	Mesa def. Flagstaff Normal	1921
86-6	Tonopah Valley def. Heritage Academy	2018
86-6	Window Rock def. Rough Rock	2013
86-0	Page def. Many Farms	1975
86-0	Miami def. Willcox	1924

### Highest Scores (by combined total)

170	Agua Fria (96) def. Washington (74)	2015
170	Higley (95) def. Apache Junction (75)	2014
143	Perry (75) def. Sandra Day O'Connor (68)	2018
137	Empire (82) def. Catalina (55)	2013
137	Ironwood (69) def. Deer Valley (68)	2011
135	Perry (68) def. Red Mountain (67)	2019
135	Marcos de Niza (78) def. Buena (57)	2013
133	Chandler (84) def. Perry (49)	2019
133	Desert Vista (70) def. Perry (63)	2019
131	Sunrise Mountain (74) def. Gilbert (57)	2018
131	Mountain View (Mesa) (66) def. Highland (65)	2015
129	Chandler (77) def. Pinnacle (52)	2017
129	Saguaro (81) def. Sunrise Mountain (48)	2011
128	Perry (65) def. Hamilton (63)	2017
127	Yuma Catholic (77) def. San Tan Foothills	2011
126	Holbrook (67) def. Sedona Red Rock (59)	2017
125	Raymond Kellis (76) def. Ironwood (49)	2016
125	Saguaro (77) def. Desert Edge (48)	2013
124	Poston Butte (69) def. Cholla (55)	2016
124	Tolleson (79) def. Peoria (45)	1946
123	Perry (63) def. Hamilton (60)	2016
123	Buena (63) def. Cienega (60)	2013
122	Mingus Union (78) def. Centennial (44)	1997
120	Desert Edge (83) def. Agua Fria (27)	2015
119	Show Low (77) def. Paradise Honors (42)	2022
119	Shadow Ridge (63) def. Westwood (56)	2022
119	Mohave (70) def. Dysart (49)	2019
119	Cactus (70) def. Bradshaw Mountain (49)	2016
119	Horizon (68) def. Desert Mountain (51)	2014
119	Joy Christian (76) def. Scottsdale Prep (43)	2013
119	Tombstone (81) def. Baboquivari (38)	2004

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Bagdad	2008, 2011 seasons
El Capitan	2018-19 seasons and game-by-game
Fort Thomas	2004, 2013 seasons and game-by-game
Fredonia	1993 season
Gilbert Christian	2013 game vs. Ray (11/2)
Glendale Prep	2013 season and game-by-game
Joseph City	2011 state championship vs. Joy Christian (11/12)
Joseph City	2014 season kicking stats
Patagonia	1985-88, 2006-08, 2011 seasons and game-by-game
Pima	1972, 2012 seasons and 2012 game-by-game
Salome	2014-15 seasons and game-by-game
St. David	2007 season and game-by-game
Valley Lutheran	2004-05, 2016, 2018 seasons and game-by-game
Valley Union	2007-12 seasons and game-by-game

### Touchdowns (game)

1.	10	Vincent Alvarado	Seligman vs. Canyon State Academy	2004
T2.	9	Cale Merrell	Duncan vs. Superior	2012
T2.	9	Brian Dibble	ASDB vs. Western Christian Acad.	1978
T4.	8	Brian Lynch	PDSB vs. San Pasqual Valley	2019
T4.	8	Ozzie Anaya	Valley Union vs. Bowie	1985
T4.	8	John Sampson	Maricopa vs. ASDB	1973
	7	many times		

### Touchdowns (season)

1.	49	Scotty Finnerty	Bagdad	2017
2.	48	Chuck Antoni	Salome	1980
3.	47	David Soto	Patagonia	2008
4.	39	Dallyn Despain	Mogollon	2013
T5.	37	Drew Logan	Williams	2022
T5.	37	Dacodah Jensen	Mayer	2017
T5.	37	Jaret Luzania	Valley Union	2015
8.	36	Brian Lynch	PDSB	2019
9.	35	Kyron Newton	Valley Union	2014
T10.	34	Curtis Hancock	Pima	2015
T10.	34	Myles Mattox	Glendale Prep	2014
T10.	34	Andrew Sherman	Gilbert Christian	2013
T10.	34	Alan Splitter	Mayer	2006
T14.	33	Noah Huerta	San Manuel	2021
T14.	33	Brian Lynch	Phoenix Day School for the Deaf	2019
T14.	33	Casey Jeans	Bagdad	2014
T14.	33	Elijah Bowie	Valley Lutheran	2014
T18.	32	David Atkerson	Mayer	2010
T18.	32	Brian McBride	Bagdad	1990
T18.	32	Tot Workman	St. David	1957

### Touchdowns (career)

1.	95	Chuck Antoni	Salome	1977-80
2.	91	Drew Logan	Williams	2019-22
3.	76	Chance Pearson	Williams	2016-19
4.	73	Dallyn Despain	Mogollon	2010-13
5.	71	Cale Merrell	Duncan	2010-13
6.	70	Boone Baker	Mogollon	2009-11
7.	65	Nicolaus Cruz	Superior	2013-16
8.	64	Brian Lynch	Phoenix Day School for the Deaf	2017-19
9.	63	Casey Jeans	Bagdad	2012-14
10.	61	Adam Navarette	Superior	2017-20
11.	56	Talon Haynie	St. David	2018-21
T12.	54	Scotty Finnerty	Bagdad	2015-17
T12.	54	Jaret Luzania	Valley Union	2014-15
T12.	54	Chris Grap	Superior	2008-11
15.	53	Benjamin Loveall	Bagdad	2013-16
16.	52	Connor Watson	Bagdad	2018-21
17.	51	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep	2011-12
18.	50	Joe Campbell	Seligman	1973-75
19.	48	Caleb Young	Gilbert Christian	2013-15
20.	47	Brian Sheehey	Arizona School for the Deaf & Blind	1971-74





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### Points (game)

1.	60	Vincent Alvarado	Seligman vs. Canyon State Academy	2004
2.	56	Ozzie Anaya	Valley Union vs. Bowie	1985
T3.	54	Cale Merrell	Duncan vs. Superior	2012
T3.	54	Brian Dibble	ASDB vs. Western Christian Acad.	1978
5.	52	Brian Lynch	PDSB vs. San Pasqual Valley	2019
T6.	50	Brian Lynch	PDSB vs. Colo. School for the Deaf	2018
T6.	50	John Sampson	Maricopa vs. ASDB	1973
T8.	46	Jacob Sonke	Valley Union vs. Mohave Accel.	2020
T8.	46	Brian Lynch	PDSB vs. Miss. School for the Deaf	2019
T8.	46	Brian Lynch	PDSB vs. Anthem Prep	2019
T8.	46	Kyron Newton	Valley Lutheran vs. Ajo	2014
T8.	46	George McNeil	Litchfield vs. Peoria	1948
T13.	44	Scotty Finnerty	Bagdad vs. Ray	2017
T13.	44	Myles Mattox	Glendale Prep vs. AZ Charter Acad.	2014
T13.	44	Cale Merrell	Duncan vs. Fort Thomas	2011
	42	many times		

### Points (season)

1.	332	Scott Finnerty	Bagdad	2017
2.	314	Chuck Antoni	Salome	1980
3.	282	David Soto	Patagonia	2008
4.	254	Dallin Despain	Mogollon	2013
5.	252	Drew Logan	Williams	2022
6.	250	Dacodah Jensen	Mayer	2017
7.	244	Jaret Luzania	Valley Union	2015
8.	240	Alan Splitter	Mayer	2006
9.	238	Casey Jeans	Bagdad	2014
T10.	234	Brian Lynch	Phoenix Day School for the Deaf	2019
T10.	234	Andrew Sherman	Gilbert Christian	2013
12.	232	Brian Lynch	PDSB	2019
13.	228	Ozzie Anaya	Valley Union	1985
14.	226	Kyron Newton	Valley Lutheran	2014
T15.	224	Noah Huerta	San Manuel	2021
T15.	224	Myles Mattox	Glendale Prep	2014
17.	222	Curtis Hancock	Pima	2015
18.	216	Elijah Bowie	Valley Lutheran	2014
19.	212	Caleb Young	Gilbert Christian	2014
T20.	208	Seth Reidhead	Mogollon	2018
T20.	208	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep	2012
T20.	208	Randy Landwerlen	Valley Union	2010

### Points (career)

1.	688	Arley McNeil	Patagonia	1985-88
2.	654	Chuck Antoni	Salome	1977-80
3.	614	Drew Logan	Williams	2019-22
4.	494	Dallin Despain	Mogollon	2010-13
5.	480	Chance Pearson	Williams	2016-19
6.	478	Brian Lynch	Phoenix Day School for the Deaf	2017-19
7.	466	Boone Baker	Mogollon	2009-11
8.	442	Cale Merrell	Duncan	2010-13
9.	424	Casey Jeans	Bagdad	2012-14
10.	422	Nicolaus Cruz	Superior	2013-16
11.	414	Adam Navarette	Superior	2017-20
12.	411	Caleb Young	Gilbert Christian	2013-15
13.	400	Talon Haynie	St. David	2018-21
14.	374	Stephen Da Silva	Phoenix Day School for the Deaf	1999-01
15.	364	Scotty Finnerty	Bagdad	2015-17
16.	362	Jaret Luzania	Valley Union	2014-15
T17.	360	Seth Reidhead	Mogollon	2015-18
T17.	360	Edgar Galindo	Superior	2013-16
T17.	360	Benjamin Loveall	Bagdad	2013-16

### Rushing Yards (game)

1.	532	Jacob Sonke	Valley Union vs. Mohave Accel.	2020
2.	501	David Drennan	Superior vs. Lincoln Prep	2021
3.	483	Wyatt Grover	Fredonia vs. Mayer	2021
4.	477	Ozzie Anaya	Valley Union vs. Bowie	1985
5.	453	Cale Merrell	Duncan vs. Superior	2012
6.	419	Karsen Estelle	Valley Union vs. Trivium Prep	2016
7.	409	Dallin Despain	Mogollon vs. Mayer	2013
8.	399	Jacob Hanback	Desert Heights Prep vs. Mohave Accel.	2021
T9.	395	Brian Lynch	PDSB vs. San Pasqual Valley	2019
T9.	395	Cale Merrell	Duncan vs. Valley Union	2013
T9.	395	Cale Merrell	Duncan vs. Fort Thomas	2011
12.	393	Myles Mattox	Glendale Prep vs. AZ Charter Acad.	2014
T13.	385	Ozzie Anaya	Valley Union	1985
T13.	385	Tot Workman	St. David vs. Patagonia	1957
15.	384	Nicolaus Cruz	Superior vs. Gilbert Christian	2015
16.	382	Isaiah Bradshaw	El Capitan vs. Mayer	2020
17.	377	Wesley Conyer	Duncan vs. St. David	2017
18.	371	Brian Dibble	ASDB vs. Western Christian Acad.	1978
T19.	367	Wyatt Grover	Fredonia vs. Fort Thomas	2021
T19.	367	Kyron Newton	Valley Lutheran vs. Duncan	2014

### Rushing Yards (season)

1.	2,494	Dallin Despain	Mogollon	2013
2.	2,271	Ozzie Anaya	Valley Union	1985
3.	2,250	Gary Hall	Canyon State Academy	2005
4.	2,119	Morgan Bingham	Fredonia	1990
5.	2,096	Dimitri O'Brien	Valley Lutheran	2010
6.	2,093	Chuck Antoni	Salome	1980
7.	2,081	David Atkerson	Mayer	2010
8.	2,065	Myles Mattox	Glendale Prep	2014
9.	2,042	Morgan Bingham	Fredonia	1991
10.	2,005	Cale Merrell	Duncan	2012
11.	2,000	Kyron Newton	Valley Lutheran	2014
12.	1,990	DJ Lillard	Valley Lutheran	2005
13.	1,942	Randy Landwerlen	Valley Union	2010
14.	1,934	Jaret Luzania	Valley Union	2015
15.	1,845	Joe Birmingham	Gila Bend	1956
16.	1,812	Elijah Bowie	Valley Lutheran	2014
17.	1,780	Talon Haynie	St. David	2021
18.	1,710	Brian McBride	Bagdad	1990
19.	1,678	Brian Lynch	Phoenix Day School for the Deaf	2019
20.	1,667	Casey Jeans	Bagdad	2014

### Rushing Yards (career)

1.	5,806	Morgan Bingham	Fredonia	1990-92
2.	5,760	Arley McNeil	Patagonia	1985-88
3.	5,210	Cale Merrell	Duncan	2010-13
4.	4,458	Boone Baker	Mogollon	2009-11
5.	4,385	Dallin Despain	Mogollon	2010-13
6.	4,117	Brian Sheehey	Arizona School for the Deaf & Blind	1971-74
7.	3,866	Drew Logan	Williams	2019-22
8.	3,802	Casey Jeans	Bagdad	2012-14
9.	3,737	Chance Pearson	Williams	2016-19
10.	3,702	Nicolaus Cruz	Superior	2013-16
11.	3,587	Brian Lynch	Phoenix Day School for the Deaf	2017-19
12.	3,547	Brian Dibble	Arizona School for the Deaf & Blind	1976-78
13.	3,483	Talon Haynie	St. David	2018-21
14.	3,460	Ozzie Anaya	Valley Union	1983-85
15.	3,446	Chuck Antoni	Salome	1977-80
16.	3,250	Dimitri O'Brien	Valley Lutheran	2009-11
17.	3,186	Wesley Conyer	Duncan	2015-18
18.	3,074	Octavio Martinez	Salome	2016-19
19.	3,063	Casey Jeans	Bagdad	2012-14





## Football Records - Individual (1A)

### Rushing Touchdowns (game)

T1.	9	Cale Merrell	Duncan vs. Superior	2012
T1.	9	Brian Dibble	ASDB vs. Western Christian Acad.	1978
T3.	7	Jacob Sonke	Valley Union vs. Mohave Accel.	2020
T3.	7	Brian Lynch	PDSB vs. San Pasqual Valley	2019
T3.	7	Brian Lynch	PDSB vs. Colo. School for the Deaf	2018
T3.	7	Myles Mattox	Glendale Prep vs. AZ Charter Acad.	2014
T3.	7	Kyron Newton	Valley Lutheran vs. Ajo	2014
T3.	7	Cale Merrell	Duncan vs. Fort Thomas	2011
	6	many times		

### Rushing Touchdowns (season)

1.	48	Chuck Antoni	Salome	1980
2.	43	David Soto	Patagonia	2008
3.	39	Dallyn Despain	Mogollon	2013
4.	35	Ozzie Anaya	Valley Union	1985
5.	34	Dacodah Jensen	Mayer	2017
6.	33	Jaret Luzania	Valley Union	2016
7.	32	Myles Mattox	Glendale Prep	2015
8.	30	David Atkerson	Mayer	2010
T9.	29	Casey Jeans	Bagdad	2014
T9.	29	Dmitri O'Brien	Valley Lutheran	2010
T11.	28	Talon Haynie	St. David	2021
T11.	28	Randy Landwerlen	Valley Union	2010
T11.	28	Alan Splitter	Mayer	2006
T11.	28	Brian McBride	Bagdad	1990
T15.	27	Cale Merrell	Duncan	2012
T15.	27	Ketah Watson	Valley Lutheran	2012
T15.	27	Tim Porter	Mogollon	1990
T18.	26	Brian Lynch	Phoenix Day School for the Deaf	2019
T18.	26	Curtis Hancock	Pima	2015
T18.	26	Kyron Newton	Valley Lutheran	2014
T18.	26	Elijah Bowie	Valley Lutheran	2014
T18.	26	Boone Baker	Mogollon	2009
T18.	26	Luis Martinez	Valley Union	2007

### Rushing Touchdowns (career)

T1.	72	Dallyn Despain	Mogollon	2010-13
T1.	72	Chuck Antoni	Salome	1977-80
3.	70	Drew Logan	Williams	2018-22
T4.	68	Chance Pearson	Williams	2016-19
T4.	68	Cale Merrell	Duncan	2010-13
6.	67	Boone Baker	Mogollon	2009-11
7.	61	Nicolaus Cruz	Superior	2013-16
T8.	57	Brian Lynch	Phoenix Day School for the Deaf	2017-19
T8.	57	Casey Jeans	Bagdad	2012-14
10.	54	Ozzie Anaya	Valley Union	1983-85
T11.	46	Talon Haynie	St. David	2018-21
T11.	46	Octavio Martinez	Salome	2016-19
T11.	46	Jaret Luzania	Valley Union	2014-15
T11.	46	Chris Grap	Superior	2008-11
15.	44	Steven Ybarra	Superior	2015-18
T16.	43	Dmitri O'Brien	Valley Lutheran	2009-11
T16.	43	David Soto	Patagonia	2008
18.	42	Dacodah Jensen	Mayer	2015-17
19.	41	Jace Luzania	Valley Union	2010-11
20.	39	Isaiah Bradshaw	El Capitan	2020-21

### Completions (game)

1.	35	Arthur Castillo	Hayden vs. Williams	2018
2.	34	Aidan Wright	Scottsdale Prep vs. St. David	2011
T3.	33	Mason Wicker	Desert Heights Prep vs. Lincoln Prep	2022
T3.	33	Matthew Cruz	Superior vs. Williams	2020
5.	32	JR Tessay	Fort Thomas vs. Duncan	2012
6.	30	Todd Stringfellow	Fort Thomas vs. Valley Union	2018
7.	29	Nick Smith	Scottsdale Prep vs. Valley Lutheran	2012
T8.	28	Gerald Keltner	Mohave Accelerated vs. Anthem Prep	2022
T8.	28	Clark Zimmerman	Valley Lutheran vs. Mogollon	2015
T10.	27	Nick Staloch	Arete Prep vs. Glendale Prep	2013
T10.	27	Aidan Wright	Scottsdale Prep vs. Glendale Prep	2010
T12.	26	Rocky Sandoval	Bagdad vs. Williams	2020
T12.	26	Logan Davis	St. David vs. Hayden	2019
T12.	26	Kyle Stringfellow	Fort Thomas vs. NFL Yet	2015
T12.	26	Kyle Stringfellow	Fort Thomas vs. Baboquivari	2015
T12.	26	Nick Smith	Scottsdale Prep vs. Mogollon	2012
T12.	26	Nick Staloch	Arete Prep vs. Mayer	2012
T18.	25	Logan Davis	St. David vs. Fort Thomas	2019
T18.	25	Todd Stringfellow	Fort Thomas vs. Arete Prep	2018
T18.	25	Romeo Valenzuela	Valley Lutheran vs. Salome	2017
T18.	25	Israel Loveall	Bagdad vs. Pima	2015
T18.	25	Nick Henderson	Joy Christian vs. St. David	2011
T18.	25	Zachary Loveall	Bagdad vs. Mogollon	2009

### Completions (season)

1.	174	Aidan Wright	Scottsdale Prep	2011
2.	170	Todd Stringfellow	Fort Thomas	2018
3.	169	Nick Staloch	Arete Prep	2012
4.	166	Todd Stringfellow	Fort Thomas	2019
5.	166	Israel Loveall	Bagdad	2017
6.	160	Israel Loveall	Bagdad	2015
7.	159	Nick Henderson	Joy Christian	2012
8.	156	Nick Staloch	Arete Prep	2013
9.	155	Logan Davis	St. David	2019
10.	154	Nick Henderson	Joy Christian	2011
11.	148	Ryan Gooding	St. David	2021
12.	142	Matthew McClelland	Arete Prep	2019
13.	138	Israel Loveall	Bagdad	2016
14.	137	Travis Davis	St. David	2015
15.	135	Zachary Loveall	Bagdad	2009
16.	131	Steven Ybarra	Superior	2017
17.	130	Matthew Cruz	Superior	2019
18.	129	Nicolaus Cruz	Superior	2016
19.	127	Martin Granillo	Superior	2011
20.	124	Ryan Gooding	St. David	2022

### Completions (career)

1.	464	Israel Loveall	Bagdad	2014-17
2.	450	Travis Davis	St. David	2013-16
3.	426	Martin Granillo	Superior	2008-11
4.	344	Todd Stringfellow	Fort Thomas	2016-19
5.	339	Nicolaus Cruz	Superior	2013-16
6.	327	Nick Henderson	Joy Christian	2010-12
T7.	325	Nick Staloch	Arete Prep	2012-13
T7.	325	Nick Henderson	Joy Christian	2010-12
9.	317	Logan Davis	St. David	2017-20
10.	307	Evan Stringfellow	Fort Thomas	2015-17
11.	292	Tyler Davis	St. David	2009-11
12.	281	Ryan Gooding	St. David	2019-22
13.	280	Zachary Loveall	Bagdad	2007-10
14.	258	Steven Ybarra	Superior	2015-18
15.	234	Jacob Krause	Valley Lutheran	2005-07
16.	231	Trey Tenney	Mogollon	2015-18
17.	216	Demetrius Dosela	Fort Thomas	2005-07
T18.	208	Rocky Sandoval	Bagdad	2018-20
T18.	208	Kyle Stringfellow	Fort Thomas	2012-15
20.	193	Luke Wolkos	Valley Lutheran	2007-09





## Football Records - Individual (1A)

### Passing Attempts (game)

1.	71	Aidan Wright	Scottsdale Prep vs. St. David	2011
2.	58	Mason Wicker	Desert Heights Prep vs. Lincoln Prep	2022
3.	54	Nick Smith	Scottsdale Prep vs. Valley Lutheran	2012
4.	53	Logan Davis	St. David vs. Hayden	2019
5.	52	JR Tessay	Fort Thomas vs. Duncan	2012
T6.	51	Matthew Cruz	Superior vs. Williams	2020
T6.	51	Nick Smith	Scottsdale Prep vs. Mogollon	2012
T8.	50	Rocky Sandoval	Bagdad vs. Williams	2020
T8.	50	Clark Zimmerman	Valley Lutheran vs. Mogollon	2015
T10.	48	Fabian Elvira	Hayden vs. Williams	2022
T10.	48	Israel Loveall	Bagdad vs. Pima	2015
T10.	48	Matthew Martinez	Rancho Solano Prep vs. Salome	2012
13.	47	Zachary Loveall	Bagdad vs. Mogollon	2009
14.	46	Israel Loveall	Bagdad vs. Pima	2015
T15.	45	Gerald Keltner	Mohave Accelerated vs. Anthem Prep	2022
T15.	45	Matthew McClelland	Arete Prep vs. Superior	2019
T15.	45	Cameron Baldwin	Joseph City vs. Valley Union	2017
18.	44	Latrell Kinlicheenie	Joseph City vs. Williams	2018
T19.	43	Romeo Valenzuela	Valley Lutheran vs. Salome	2017
T19.	43	Martin Granillo	Superior vs. Pima	2011

### Passing Attempts (season)

1.	318	Aidan Wright	Scottsdale Prep	2011
2.	308	Matthew McClelland	Arete Prep	2019
3.	289	Nick Staloch	Arete Prep	2012
4.	272	Matthew McClelland	Arete Prep	2018
5.	270	Aidan Wright	Scottsdale Prep	2010
T6.	268	Israel Loveall	Bagdad	2017
T6.	268	Israel Loveall	Bagdad	2015
8.	261	Nick Staloch	Arete Prep	2013
9.	256	Todd Stringfellow	Fort Thomas	2019
10.	254	Clark Zimmerman	Valley Lutheran	2015
11.	247	Travis Davis	St. David	2016
12.	246	Travis Davis	St. David	2016
13.	242	Zachary Loveall	Bagdad	2009
14.	240	Logan Davis	St. David	2019
15.	237	Steven Ybarra	Superior	2017
16.	235	Matthew Martinez	Rancho Solano Prep	2012
17.	232	Ryan Gooding	St. David	2021
18.	225	Travis Davis	St. David	2016
19.	222	Matthew Cruz	Superior	2019
20.	220	Nick Henderson	Joy Christian	2012

### Passing Attempts (career)

1.	873	Travis Davis	St. David	2013-16
2.	796	Martin Granillo	Superior	2008-11
3.	734	Israel Loveall	Bagdad	2014-17
4.	593	Nicolaus Cruz	Superior	2013-16
5.	580	Matthew McClelland	Arete Prep	2018-19
6.	550	Nick Staloch	Arete Prep	2012-13
7.	515	Todd Stringfellow	Fort Thomas	2016-19
8.	513	Tyler Davis	St. David	2008-11
9.	507	Zachary Loveall	Bagdad	2007-10
10.	495	Logan Davis	St. David	2017-20
11.	479	Evan Stringfellow	Fort Thomas	2015-17
12.	470	Nick Henderson	Joy Christian	2010-12
13.	463	Jacob Krause	Valley Lutheran	2005-07
14.	453	Steven Ybarra	Superior	2015-18
15.	437	Ryan Gooding	St. David	2019-22
16.	406	Demetrius Dosela	Fort Thomas	2005-07
17.	401	Latrell Kinlicheenie	Joseph City	2017-19
18.	370	Matthew Martinez	Rancho Solano Prep	2011-12
19.	369	Paul Schubring	Chandler Prep	2009-10
20.	368	Rocky Sandoval	Bagdad	2018-20

### Passing Yards (game)

1.	571	Bailey Anderson	Gilbert Christian vs. Arete Prep	2013
2.	541	Israel Loveall	Bagdad vs. Ray	2017
3.	535	Aidan Wright	Scottsdale Prep vs. St. David	2011
4.	504	Garry Hall	Canyon State Academy	2004
5.	499	Mason Wicker	Desert Heights Prep vs. Lincoln Prep	2022
6.	489	Diego Foster	Tempe Prep vs. Lincoln Prep	2021
7.	488	Nick Smith	Scottsdale Prep vs. Mogollon	2012
8.	481	Zachary Loveall	Bagdad vs. Orme School	2010
9.	457	Clark Zimmerman	Valley Lutheran vs. Anthem Prep	2015
10.	448	Israel Loveall	Bagdad vs. Mayer	2017
11.	445	Matthew McClelland	Arete Prep vs. El Capitan	2019
12.	445	Kyle Stringfellow	Fort Thomas vs. NFL Yet	2015
13.	441	Matthew Martinez	Rancho Solano Prep vs. Veritas Prep	2012
14.	440	Aidan Wright	Scottsdale Prep vs. Rancho Solano Prep	2011
15.	438	Colin Hooppaw	Cicero Prep vs. Lincoln Prep	2022
16.	437	Diego Foster	Tempe Prep vs. Lincoln Prep	2020
17.	435	Colin Hooppaw	Cicero Prep vs. Superior	2022
18.	433	JR Tessay	Fort Thomas vs. Salt River	2012
19.	432	Nick Staloch	Arete Prep vs. Glendale Prep	2013
20.	427	Nick Staloch	Arete Prep vs. Ajo	2013

### Passing Yards (season)

1.	3,479	Israel Loveall	Bagdad	2017
2.	3,083	Israel Loveall	Bagdad	2016
3.	3,020	Aidan Wright	Scottsdale Prep	2011
4.	2,727	Israel Loveall	Bagdad	2015
5.	2,723	Fabian Elvira	Hayden	2022
6.	2,673	Nick Staloch	Arete Prep	2013
7.	2,618	Nick Henderson	Joy Christian	2012
8.	2,577	Todd Stringfellow	Fort Thomas	2019
9.	2,565	Travis Davis	St. David	2015
10.	2,559	Matthew McClelland	Arete Prep	2018
11.	2,468	Ryan Gooding	St. David	2021
12.	2,445	Todd Stringfellow	Fort Thomas	2018
13.	2,413	Matthew McClelland	Arete Prep	2019
14.	2,402	Bailey Anderson	Gilbert Christian	2013
15.	2,370	Nick Staloch	Arete Prep	2012
16.	2,354	Brian Chason	Tucson Christian	1985
17.	2,348	Diego Foster	Tempe Prep	2021
18.	2,342	Matthew Cruz	Superior	2019
19.	2,267	Nicolaus Cruz	Superior	2016
20.	2,231	Travis Davis	St. David	2016

### Passing Yards (career)

1.	9,289	Israel Loveall	Bagdad	2014-17
2.	7,354	Travis Davis	St. David	2013-16
3.	6,408	Brian Chason	Tucson Christian	1982-85
4.	6,251	Nicolaus Cruz	Superior	2013-16
5.	5,650	Martin Granillo	Superior	2008-11
6.	5,327	Robert Esquivel	Joseph City	
7.	5,141	Zachary Loveall	Bagdad	2007-10
8.	5,104	Todd Stringfellow	Fort Thomas	2016-19
9.	5,051	Tyler Davis	St. David	2008-11
10.	5,043	Nick Staloch	Arete Prep	2012-13
11.	4,843	Ryan Gooding	St. David	2019-22
12.	4,841	Nick Henderson	Joy Christian	2010-12
13.	4,501	Evan Stringfellow	Fort Thomas	2015-17
14.	4,397	Steven Ybarra	Superior	2015-18
15.	4,262	Logan Davis	St. David	2017-20
16.	4,095	Fabian Elvira	Hayden	2021-22
17.	3,887	Bailey Anderson	Gilbert Christian	2011-14
18.	3,804	Diego Foster	Tempe Prep	2020-21
19.	3,680	Matthew Cruz	Superior	2018-20
20.	3,626	Trey Tenney	Mogollon	2015-18





## Football Records - Individual (1A)

### Touchdown Passes (game)

1.	10	Bailey Anderson	Gilbert Christian vs. Arete Prep	2013
T2.	9	Ryan Gooding	St. David vs. Bagdad	2022
T2.	9	Israel Loveall	Bagdad vs. Ray	2017
T2.	9	Zachary Loveall	Bagdad vs. Orme School	2010
T5.	8	Fabian Elvira	Hayden vs. Superior	2022
T5.	8	Israel Loveall	Bagdad vs. Salome	2017
T5.	8	Matthew Martinez	Rancho Solano Prep vs. Veritas Prep	2012
T5.	8	Aidan Wright	Scottsdale Prep vs. Veritas Prep	2011
T5.	8	Aidan Wright	Scottsdale Prep vs. Rancho Solano Prep	2011
T5.	8	Ric Lines	Pima vs. St. David	1974
	7	many times		

### Touchdown Passes (season)

1.	59	Israel Loveall	Bagdad	2016
2.	58	Israel Loveall	Bagdad	2017
T3.	50	Israel Loveall	Bagdad	2015
T3.	50	Nick Henderson	Joy Christian	2012
T3.	50	Aidan Wright	Scottsdale Prep	2011
6.	47	Ryan Gooding	St. David	2022
7.	46	Tate Powser	Apache Trail	2012
8.	44	Fabian Elvira	Hayden	2022
9.	40	Matthew Cruz	Superior	2019
10.	39	Nick Henderson	Joy Christian	2011
11.	38	Nick Smith	Scottsdale Prep	2012
T12.	36	Diego Foster	Tempe Prep	2021
T12.	36	Steven Ybarra	Superior	2018
T12.	36	Bailey Anderson	Gilbert Christian	2013
T12.	36	Nick Staloch	Arete Prep	2013
T16.	35	Todd Stringfellow	Fort Thomas	2019
T16.	35	Brian Chason	Tucson Christian	1985
T18.	34	Ryan Gooding	St. David	2021
T18.	34	Brayden Finkbeiner	Gilbert Christian	2015
T18.	34	Travis Davis	St. David	2015

### Touchdown Passes (career)

1.	167	Israel Loveall	Bagdad	2014-17
T2.	94	Travis Davis	St. David	2013-16
T2.	94	Brian Chason	Tucson Christian	1982-85
4.	93	Nick Henderson	Joy Christian	2010-12
T5.	81	Ryan Gooding	St. David	2019-22
T5.	81	Nicolaus Cruz	Superior	2013-16
T5.	81	Tyler Davis	St. David	2008-11
8.	74	Armando Ruiz	NFL Yet	2011-13
9.	73	Zachary Loveall	Bagdad	2007-10
10.	69	Nick Staloch	Arete Prep	2012-13
T11.	67	Steven Ybarra	Superior	2015-18
T11.	67	Martin Granillo	Superior	2008-11
13.	64	Fabian Elvira	Hayden	2021-22
T14.	61	Todd Stringfellow	Fort Thomas	2016-19
T14.	61	Gilbert Soriano	Mayer	1975-76
T16.	59	Matthew Cruz	Superior	2018-20
T16.	59	Bailey Anderson	Gilbert Christian	2011-14
18.	58	Logan Davis	St. David	2017-20
19.	57	Tony Jauregui	Bagdad	2012-14
20.	55	Rocky Sandoval	Bagdad	2018-20

### Receptions (game)

1.	19	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep vs. St. David	2011
T2.	17	Omar Lopez	Hayden vs. Williams	2018
T2.	17	Aaron Martin	Joy Christian vs. Valley Lutheran	2012
T4.	16	Connor Watson	Bagdad vs. Williams	2020
T4.	16	Trevor Hook	Valley Lutheran vs. Mogollon	2010
T4.	16	Stewart Laird	Gila Bend vs. Valley Union	1975
7.	15	Tommy Cawood	Mogollon vs. Mayer	1990
8.	14	Jay Edwards	Joseph City vs. Fort Thomas	2019
T9.	13	David Yourkoski	Cicero Prep vs. Superior	2022
T9.	13	Robby Gooding	St. David vs. Fort Thomas	2019
T9.	13	Sami Solis	Valley Lutheran vs. Salome	2017
T9.	13	Elijah Bowie	Valley Lutheran vs. Mogollon	2015
T9.	13	Jackson Ventrella	Arete Prep vs. Glendale Prep	2013
T9.	13	Jackson Ventrella	Arete Prep vs. Mayer	2012
T9.	13	Trevor Deason	Joy Christian vs. Pima	2012
T16.	12	Gary Wells	Mayer vs. El Capitan	2015
T16.	12	Kaine Langley	Fort Thomas vs. Baboquivari	2015
T16.	12	Benjamin Loveall	Bagdad vs. Pima	2015
T16.	12	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep vs. Mogollon	2012
T16.	12	Tommy Caywood	Mogollon vs. Bagdad	1990

### Receptions (season)

1.	83	Mark Frithsen	St. David	1984
2.	80	Scotty Finnerty	Bagdad	2017
3.	79	Paul Hatcher	Tucson Christian	1985
T4.	78	Aaron Martin	Joy Christian	2012
T4.	78	Tommy Cawood	Mogollon	1990
T6.	75	Denim White	El Capitan/Centennial Academy	2022
T6.	75	Trevor Deason	Joy Christian	2012
T8.	71	Kaine Langley	Fort Thomas	2015
T8.	71	Jackson Ventrella	Arete Prep	2013
T8.	71	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep	2010
T11.	67	Jackson Ventrella	Arete Prep	2012
T11.	67	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep	2012
13.	65	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep	2011
14.	64	David Yourkoski	Cicero Prep	2022
15.	62	Drake Olivar	Fort Thomas	2018
16.	61	Ben Fontes	Valley Lutheran	2008
17.	60	Caleb Young	Gilbert Christian	2016
T18.	59	Brennan Weir	Arete Prep	2018
T18.	59	Ken Bays	Tucson Christian	1979
T20.	56	Benjamin Loveall	Bagdad	2015
T20.	56	Anthony Flores	Superior	2011

### Receptions (career)

1.	221	Paul Hatcher	Tucson Christian	1982-85
2.	197	Trevor Deason	Joy Christian	2009-12
3.	159	Anthony Flores	Superior	2008-11
4.	138	Jackson Ventrella	Arete Prep	2012-13
5.	132	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep	2011-12
6.	129	Ben Fontes	Valley Lutheran	2005-08
7.	122	Kaine Langley	Fort Thomas	2012-15
8.	115	Greyson Boyll	Scottsdale Prep	2010-12
T9.	108	Denim White	El Capitan/Centennial Academy	2020-22
T9.	108	Benjamin Loveall	Bagdad	2013-16
11.	107	Kason Jacquez	St. David	2017-20
12.	102	Jack Bellomy	Arete Prep	2018-21
13.	99	Adam Navarrette	Superior	2017-21
14.	97	Dominic Bravo	Ray	2011-13
15.	93	Scotty Finnerty	Bagdad	2014-17
T16.	91	Austin Bryant	St. David	2015-16
T16.	91	Cheston Tessay	Fort Thomas	2010-12
18.	89	Steve Whitting	Mayer	1974-76
19.	88	Joe Gaylor	Mogollon	2011-14
20.	87	Joel Gonzalez	Salome	2017-19





## Football Records - Individual (1A)

### Receiving Yards (game)

1.	327	David Yourkoski	Cicero Prep vs. Superior	2022
2.	300	David Yourkoski	Cicero Prep vs. Lincoln Prep	2022
3.	286	Aden Honegger	Mohave Accelerated vs. Fredonia	2021
T4.	279	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep vs. St. David	2011
T4.	279	Cheston Tessay	Fort Thomas vs. Salt River	2012
6.	276	Jackson Ventrella	Arete Prep vs. Glendale Prep	2013
7.	275	Brandon Garner	Hayden vs. Mogollon	2022
8.	273	Rio Delgado	Bagdad vs. Ray	2017
9.	271	Alex Bravo	Ray vs. El Capitan	2019
10.	266	Trevor Hook	Valley Lutheran vs. Mogollon	2010
11.	259	Jackson Ventrella	Arete Prep vs. Salome	2012
12.	250	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep vs. Mogollon	2012
13.	246	Paul Hatcher	Tucson Christian	1985
14.	244	Louis Ternyik	Tempe Prep vs. Lincoln Prep	2020
15.	243	Tommy Cawood	Mogollon vs. Joseph City	1990
16.	239	Jackson Ventrella	Arete Prep vs. Mayer	2012
17.	238	Cameron Labban	Arete Prep vs. Ajo	2013
18.	233	Manuel Carrizoza	Fort Thomas vs. Duncan	2016
T19.	232	Drake Olivar	Fort Thomas vs. Arete Prep	2018
T19.	232	Scotty Finnerty	Bagdad vs. Mayer	2017

### Receiving Yards (season)

1.	1,944	Scotty Finnerty	Bagdad	2017
2.	1,655	Paul Hatcher	Tucson Christian	1985
3.	1,386	Mark Frithsen	St. David	1984
4.	1,339	Denim White	El Capitan/Centennial Academy	2022
T5.	1,296	Brandon Garner	Hayden	2022
T5.	1,296	Tommy Cawood	Mogollon	1990
7.	1,245	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep	2012
8.	1,236	Jackson Ventrella	Arete Prep	2013
9.	1,207	Aden Honegger	Mohave Accelerated	2021
T10.	1,168	David Yourkoski	Cicero Prep	2022
T10.	1,168	Jackson Ventrella	Arete Prep	2012
T12.	1,122	Cameron Labban	Arete Prep	2013
T12.	1,122	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep	2011
14.	1,086	Benjamin Loveall	Bagdad	2015
15.	1,049	Drake Olivar	Fort Thomas	2018
16.	1,023	Brennan Weir	Arete Prep	2018
17.	1,006	Kaine Langley	Fort Thomas	2015
18.	983	Sammy Lopez	Superior	2019
19.	968	Benjamin Loveall	Bagdad	2016
20.	947	Joe Gaylor	Mogollon	2014

### Receiving Yards (career)

1.	4,221	Paul Hatcher	Tucson Christian	1982-85
2.	2,665	Trevor Deason	Joy Christian	2009-12
3.	2,435	Benjamin Loveall	Bagdad	2013-16
4.	2,404	Jackson Ventrella	Arete Prep	2012-13
5.	2,367	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep	2011-12
6.	2,301	Anthony Flores	Superior	2008-11
7.	2,205	Steve Whitting	Mayer	1974-76
8.	2,163	Scotty Finnerty	Bagdad	2014-17
9.	2,005	Kaine Langley	Fort Thomas	2012-15
10.	1,893	Brandon Garner	Hayden	2021-22
11.	1,844	Ben Fontes	Valley Lutheran	2005-08
12.	1,836	Denim White	El Capitan/Centennial Academy	2020-22
13.	1,829	Caleb Young	Gilbert Christian	2013-15
14.	1,787	Dominic Bravo	Ray	2011-13
15.	1,768	Joel Gonzalez	Salome	2017-19
16.	1,684	Adam Navarrette	Superior	2017-21
17.	1,672	Cheston Tessay	Fort Thomas	2010-12
18.	1,669	Austin Bryant	St. David	2015-16
19.	1,569	Mark Frithsen	St. David	1983-84
20.	1,532	Cooper Williams	Bagdad	2018-21

### Touchdown Catches (game)

T1.	7	Scotty Finnerty	Bagdad vs. Salome	2017
T1.	7	Eric Lathim	Fedonia vs. Joseph City	1973
T3.	6	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep vs. St. David	2011
T3.	6	Kevin Box	Apache Trail vs. Glendale Prep	2012
T3.	6	Gary Dion	Pima vs. St. David	1974
T4.	5	Monte Hammon	El Capitan/Centennial vs. Mohave Accel.	2022
T4.	5	Brandon Garner	Hayden vs. Mogollon	2022
T4.	5	Rio Delgado	Bagdad vs. Ray	2017
T4.	5	Dustin McLaws	Mogollon vs. Williams	2017
T4.	5	Austin Bryant	St. David vs. Mayer	2016
T4.	5	JT Slade	Mogollon vs. Bagdad	2009
T4.	5	Tommy Cawood	Mogollon vs. Joseph City	1990
4		many times		

### Touchdown Catches (season)

1.	37	Scotty Finnerty	Bagdad	2017
2.	26	Kevin Box	Apache Trail	2012
3.	25	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep	2012
4.	24	Paul Hatcher	Tucson Christian	1985
5.	23	Brandon Garner	Hayden	2022
T6.	22	Aden Honegger	Mohave Accelerated	2021
T6.	22	Trevor Deason	Joy Christian	2012
T6.	22	Steve Whitting	Mayer	1976
9.	21	Benjamin Loveall	Bagdad	2015
T10.	20	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep	2011
T10.	20	Tommy Cawood	Mogollon	1990
12.	19	Aaron Martin	Joy Christian	2012
T13.	18	Denim White	El Capitan/Centennial Academy	2022
T13.	18	Benjamin Loveall	Bagdad	2016
T13.	18	Ethan Wright	Scottsdale Prep	2012
T13.	18	JT Slade	Mogollon	2009
T13.	18	Mark Frithsen	St. David	1984
T18.	17	Sammy Lopez	Superior	2019
T18.	17	Torrey Gray	NFL Yet	2011
T20.	16	Guy Brown	NFL Yet	2013
T20.	16	Cameron Labban	Arete Prep	2013
T20.	16	Josh Wahlers	Joy Christian	2011

### Touchdown Catches (career)

1.	72	Paul Hatcher	Tucson Christian	1982-85
2.	49	Trevor Deason	Joy Christian	2009-12
3.	45	Matt Munsil	Scottsdale Prep	2011-12
T4.	42	Benjamin Loveall	Bagdad	2013-16
T4.	42	Steve Whitting	Mayer	1974-76
6.	41	Scotty Finnerty	Bagdad	2014-17
7.	31	Brandon Garner	Hayden	2021-22
8.	30	Jackson Ventrella	Arete Prep	2012-13
9.	29	Anthony Flores	Superior	2008-11
10.	28	Ethan Wright	Scottsdale Prep	2011-12
T11.	26	Adam Navarrette	Superior	2017-21
T11.	26	Connor Watson	Bagdad	2018-20
T11.	26	Caleb Young	Gilbert Christian	2013-15
14.	25	Denim White	El Capitan/Centennial Academy	2020-22
T15.	23	Cooper Williams	Bagdad	2018-21
T15.	23	Austin Bryant	St. David	2015-16
T15.	23	Joe Gaylor	Mogollon	2011-14
T18.	22	Kody Low	Bagdad	2010-13
T18.	22	James Loveall	Bagdad	2010-13
T20.	21	Joel Gonzalez	Salome	2017-19
T20.	21	Stephen Da Silva	Phoenix Day School for the Deaf	1999-01
T20.	21	Zack Perkins	Williams	2015-17
T20.	21	Marcos Bueno	Superior	2014-16





## Football Records - Individual (1A)

### Extra Points (game)

1.	12	Damian Jauregui	Bagdad vs. Orme School	2010
2.	11	Frank Kalogirou	Arete Prep vs. PDS	2018
T3.	10	Paul Parker	St. David vs. Bagdad (10/28)	2022
T3.	10	Gene Myers	Wickenburg vs. Gila Bend	1951
T3.	10	David Groom	Scottsdale vs. Gilbert	1947
T6.	9	Frank Kalogirou	Arete Prep vs. Baboquivari	2018
T6.	9	Tyler Mooberry	Glendale Prep vs. Fredonia	2013
T6.	9	Kristian Sether	St. David vs. Patagonia	2012
T9.	8	Paul Parker	St. David vs. Bagdad (9/1)	2022
T9.	8	Cameron Baldwin	Joseph City vs. Fredonia	2018
T9.	8	Manuel Ramirez	Valley Lutheran vs. Duncan	2014
T9.	8	Kristian Sether	St. David vs. Bowie/San Simon	2013
T9.	8	Stefan Speno	Scottsdale Prep vs. Cibecue	2013
T9.	8	Damian Jauregui	Bagdad vs. Fredonia	2012
T9.	8	Damian Jauregui	Bagdad vs. Salome	2010
T9.	8	Damian Jauregui	Bagdad vs. Joy Christian	2010
T9.	8	Damian Jauregui	Bagdad vs. Joy Christian	2009
	7	many times		

### Extra Points (season)

1.	58	Damian Jauregui	Bagdad	2010
2.	52	Gotz Nieland	St. David	2010
T3.	45	Paul Parker	St. David	2022
T3.	45	Don Lewis	Benson	1955
T5.	44	Caleb Young	Gilbert Christian	2014
T5.	44	Mel Mork	Salome	1975
7.	41	Ben Singer	Valley Lutheran	2012
8.	39	Damian Jauregui	Bagdad	2012
T9.	33	Frank Kalogirou	Arete Prep	2018
T9.	33	Matt Luque	Trivium Prep	2017
T9.	33	Caleb Young	Gilbert Christian	2015
T12.	30	David Lozano	Williams	2019
T12.	30	Stefan Speno	Scottsdale Prep	2013
14.	25	Manuel Ramirez	Valley Lutheran	2014
15.	24	Tyler Mooberry	Glendale Prep	2013
16.	22	Kristian Sether	St. David	2013
17.	20	Andrew Dufek	Valley Lutheran	2011
T18.	19	David Novak	Tanque Verde	2010
T18.	19	Damian Jauregui	Bagdad	2009
20	18	Drew Logan	Williams	2022

### Extra Points (career)

1.	160	Arley McNeil	Patagonia	1985-88
2.	116	Damian Jauregui	Bagdad	2009-12
3.	89	Caleb Young	Gilbert Christian	2013-15
4.	82	Chuck Antoni	Salome	1977-80
5.	68	David Lozano	Williams	2016-19
6.	65	Stefan Speno	Scottsdale Prep	2011-13

### Field Goals (game)

T1.	3	Joel Rodriguez	Hayden vs. Baboquivari	2018
T1.	3	Joel Rodriguez	Hayden vs. NFL Yet	2018
T3.	2	Joel Rodriguez	Hayden vs. Ray	2018
T3.	2	Joel Rodriguez	Hayden vs. Arete Prep	2018
T3.	2	Caleb Young	Gilbert Christian vs Valley Lutheran	2014
T3.	2	Damian Jauregui	Bagdad vs. Salome	2012
T3.	2	Gotz Nieland	St. David vs. Ajo	2010
T3.	2	Julio Bravo	Salome vs. PDS	2009
T3.	2	Freddy Gibson	Bagdad vs. Mayer	2006

### Field Goals (season)

1.	10	Joel Rodriguez	Hayden	2018
2.	6	Damian Jauregui	Bagdad	2012
T3.	4	Caleb Young	Gilbert Christian	2014
T3.	4	David Novak	Tanque Verde	2010
T3.	4	Damian Jauregui	Bagdad	2010
T6.	3	Bryndon Buckley	Joseph City	2015
T6.	3	Ben Singer	Valley Lutheran	2012
T6.	3	Gotz Nieland	St. David	2010

### Field Goals (career)

T1.	10	Joel Rodriguez	Hayden	2016-18
T1.	10	Damian Jauregui	Bagdad	2009-12
3.	5	David Novak	Tanque Verde	2008-10
T4.	4	Bryndon Buckley	Joseph City	2015-16
T4.	4	Caleb Young	Gilbert Christian	2013-15

### Interceptions (game)

T1.	6	Joe Campbell	Seligman vs. Fredonia	1974
T1.	6	Mike Johnson	Mayer vs. Fredonia	1974
1.	5	Matthew McClelland	Arete Prep vs. Anthem Prep	2019
T2.	4	Romeo Valenzuela	Valley Lutheran vs. El Capitan	2017
T2.	4	Steven Ybarra	Superior vs. NFL Yet	2017
T2.	4	Tyler Willis	Mogollon vs. Scottsdale Prep	2011
T2.	4	Chance Hamilton	Duncan vs. Cibeque	2009
	3	many times		

### Interceptions (season)

1.	14	Joe Campbell	Seligman	1974
2.	12	Tyler Willis	Mogollon	2011
T3	11	Monte Harmon	El Capitan/Centennial Academy	2022
T3.	11	Paul White	Valley Union	1975
T5.	10	Aden Honegger	Mohave Accelerated	2021
T5.	10	Ralphie Valencia	San Manuel	2021
T5.	10	Sammy Lopez	Superior	2019
T8.	9	Brandon Garner	Hayden	2021
T8.	9	Matthew McClelland	Arete Prep	2019
T8.	9	Kendal Jeans	Bagdad	2012
T8.	9	Mike Johnson	Mayer	1975
T12.	8	Ralphie Valencia	San Manuel	2022
T12.	8	Benjamin Loveall	Bagdad	2016
T12.	8	Scotty Finnerty	Bagdad	2016
T12.	8	Tanner Conover	Gilbert Christian	2014
T12.	8	Edward Beasley	Joy Christian	2011
T12.	8	Jerry Russell	McNary	1967
T18.	7	Gary Najjar	Duncan	2022
T18.	7	Jeremiah Toyota-Gill	St. David	2021
T18.	7	David Lozano	Williams	2019
T18.	7	Romeo Valenzuela	Valley Lutheran	2017
T18.	7	Stacey Kicheyan	Fort Thomas	2014
T18.	7	James Loveall	Bagdad	2013
T18.	7	Cameron Labban	Arete Prep	2012
T18.	7	Christian Rojas	Arizona Charter Academy	2012
T18.	7	Nathan Mayberry	St. David	2010





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### Interceptions (career)

1.	25	Joe Campbell	Seligman	1973-75
2.	18	Ralphie Valencia	San Manuel	2021-22
T3.	17	Koy Richardson	St. David	2019-22
T3.	17	Mike Johnson	Mayer	1974-75
T5.	16	Sammy Lopez	Superior	2016-19
T5.	16	Tyler Willis	Mogollon	2009-11
T7.	14	James Loveall	Bagdad	2010-13
T7.	14	Nathan Mayberry	St. David	2008-10
T9.	13	Drew Logan	Williams	2019-22
T9.	13	Joel Gonzalez	Salome	2016-19
T9.	13	Kayleb Owings	Bagdad	2016-19
T9.	13	Benjamin Loveall	Bagdad	2013-16
T9.	13	Tanner Conover	Gilbert Christian	2011-14
T9.	13	Josh Wright	Gilbert Christian	2011-14
	12	7 times		

### Highest Scores (by team)

118-0	Litchfield def. Peoria	1948
116-108	Seligman def. Canyon State Academy	2004
108-116	Canyon State Academy lost to Seligman	2004
103-21	Scottsdale def. Gilbert	1947
98-14	Joseph City def. Orme School	2011
96-54	St. David def. San Pasqual	2018
96-0	Joy Christian def. San Pasqual	2011
96-52	Arizona School for the Deaf def. Canyon State Academy	2004
95-27	Wickenburg def. San Carlos	1950
92-50	Gilbert Christian def. Arete Prep	2013
92-50	St. David def. Salome	1998
92-50	St. David def Phoenix Day School for the Deaf	1997
92-48	Benson def. St. David	1955
90-58	Bagdad def. Ray	2017
89-0	Anthem Prep def. San Pasqual	2018
89-18	Bagdad def. Mayer	2016
88-36	Valley Union def. Baboquivari	2016
88-14	Valley Lutheran def. Phoenix Day School for the Deaf	2015
88-20	Valley Union def. St. David	2015
88-37	Arete Prep def. Ajo	2013
88-20	Mogollon def. Rock Point	2010
88-38	Bagdad def. St. Paul's Prep	2008
88-20	Wickenburg def. Clarkdale	1950
88-25	Peoria def. Scottsdale	1944
86-0	Bagdad def. Anthem Prep	2017
86-8	Mogollon def. Scottsdale Prep	2011
86-30	Canyon State Academy def. Salt River	2006
86-39	Arizona School for the Deaf def. Western Christian	1978
86-14	Fedonia def. Grand Canyon	1975

### Highest Scores (by combined total)

224	Seligman (116) def. Canyon State Academy (108)	2004
150	St. David (96) def. San Pasqual (54)	2018
148	Bagdad (90) def. Ray (58)	2017
148	Bagdad (82) def. St. David (66)	2015
148	Arizona School for the Deaf (96) def. Canyon State Acad. (52)	2004
145	Gilbert Christian (81) def. Valley Lutheran (64)	2014
142	Arete Prep (80) def. Baboquivari (62)	2018
142	Gilbert Christian (92) def. Arete Prep (50)	2013
142	St. David (92) def. Salome (50)	1998
142	St. David (92) def Phoenix Day School for the Deaf (50)	1997
140	Benson (92) def. St. David (48)	1955
139	Valley Lutheran (83) def. Ajo (56)	2014
136	Salome (82) def. San Pasqual (54)	2017
136	Bagdad (80) def. St. David (56)	2016
135	Canyon State Academy (84) def. Superior (51)	2005
134	Salome (72) def. Valley Lutheran (62)	2009
132	Fort Thomas (80) def. Anthem Prep (52)	2016
130	Phoenix Day School for the Deaf (80) def. San Pasqual (50)	2019
130	Baboquivari (78) def. Hayden (52)	2015
130	Mayer (74) def. Salome (56)	2010
129	Rancho Solano Prep (67) def. Veritas Prep (62)	2011
128	Valley Lutheran (74) def. Mesa Prep (54)	2013
127	Bagdad (77) def. Canyon State Academy (50)	2004
126	Bagdad (88) def. St. Paul's Prep (38)	2008
125	Arete Prep (88) def. Ajo (37)	2013
125	Scottsdale Prep (85) def. Cibeque (40)	2001
125	Arizona School for the Deaf (86) def. Western Christian (39)	1978

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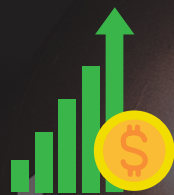
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