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## **2012 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

#### Friday, December 14

**Class A Private Championship** 2:30 pm - Prince Avenue vs. ELCA **Class AAA Championship** 

5:30 pm - Buford vs. St. Pius X **Class AAAAA Championship** 

8:30 pm - Ware County vs. Gainesville

#### Saturday, December 15

**Class A Public Championship** 11:30 am - Dooly County vs. ECI **Class AA Championship** 

2:30 pm - Jefferson vs. Calhoun **Class AAAA Championship** 

5:30 pm - Sandy Creek vs. Ridgeland **Class AAAAAA Championship** 

8:30 pm - Lovejoy vs. Norcross

All games will be televised live in HD on Georgia Public Broadcasting, streamed live on GPB.org and GHSA.tv and available by radio on the Georgia News Network, which are available to GNN's statewide radio network of 115 affiliates. The games will be available On Demand at GPB.org/sports and GHSA.tv and rebroadcast next week on GPB Knowledge.

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Order DVD copies of all televised games at GHSA.tv.

## FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Greetings, GHSA Football Fans:

Welcome to the GHSA - Tommy Guillebeau Football Championships presented by Georgia Farm Bureau. The players, coaches, cheerleaders, and band members from these competing schools have put in many hours of work to prepare for this event. It is my hope that you will appreciate their skills in the magnificent setting of the Georgia Dome this weekend.

The Georgia High School Association thanks you for your support of high school football throughout this season. Spectators are a very important part of all high school athletics, and this is especially true for the school for which you are cheering. We do want to remind you that good sportsmanship is an essential element of high school athletics, and today is no exception. Be positive in your support of all the participants. Behind the scenes of this great event is a group of hard-working volunteers who will donate many hours of time this weekend to make this

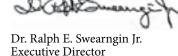
experience better for all participants. The GHSA office staff has been working for many weeks on the details that make this event so special. The extremely skilled staff of the Georgia Dome works diligently to support the GHSA in this event, and they stand ready to assist you and your needs. I want to thank all these people for their dedicated work to make this a show-case event.

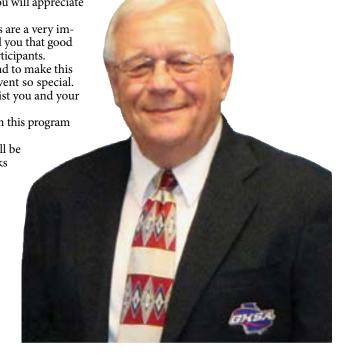
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People throughout the state of Georgia (and in parts of surrounding states) who cannot make it to Atlanta this weekend will be able to share in the experience through live television production provided by Georgia Public Broadcasting. The GHSA thanks GPB for its fine work. These games are also being aired on a number of radio stations across the state on the GHSA Radio Network. Additionally, the games are being streamed simultaneously on www.GPB.org/sports and on www.GHSA.tv.

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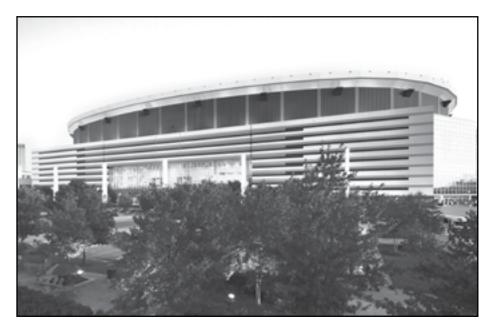






## STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS









#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Georgia Dome, the largest cable-supported domed stadium in the world, opened in 1992. Located in downtown Atlanta, the Dome is the home venue for the Atlanta Falcons, and played host to Super Bowl XXVIII and XXXIV, hosted the gymnastics and basketball events for the 1996 Olympic Games and hosted both a Men's and Women's NCAA Final Four. Annually, the Dome hosts the Bank of America Atlanta Football classic, the SEC Football Championship and the Chick-fil-A Bowl. The Dome is equipped to handle large non-sporting events which include everything from major trade shows to concerts by such entertainers as the Rolling Stones and U2 to religious events by such ministers as Billy Graham and T.D. Jakes.

#### **BASIC FEATURES**

A total of 8,300 tons of reinforced steel was used to construct the Dome. That is more than the weight of iron and steel used in the Eiffel Tower. A 437-mile sidewalk, from Atlanta to Cincinnati, could be built from the 110,000 cubic yards of concrete used at the Dome. The building covers 8.9 acres and contains 1.6 million square feet on all seven levels. The 290-foot high roof is composed of 130 Teflon-coated fiberglass panels - covering 8.6 acres. The roof's supporting cable totals 11.1 miles and the Dome is as tall as a 27-story building.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

In addition to Atlanta Falcons home games and the SEC championship game, the Georgia Dome hosts the Chick-fil-A Bowl, the HBCU All-Star Bowl, Monster Jam, the Honda Battle of the Bands and hosted the 2012 NCAA Division I Men's Basketball South Regional. For a complete schedule of events at the Georgia Dome, please visit www.gadome.com.

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#### **SEATING CAPACITY**

There are eight Super Suites, 164 executive suites, the Penthouse Suite and 4,600 club seats. The Dome's permanent seating capacity is 71,250. The Dome has three times the code-required number of restrooms - all are accessible to guests with disabilities. A pair of C-5 military transport planes could fit on the Georgia Dome's floor, which contains 102,000 square feet of space.

#### **DOME SERVICE CENTERS**

Need help finding your seat, a water fountain, a kosher dog or the pretzel stand? Stop by one of the eight Dome Service Centers (DSCs) located throughout the Georgia Dome. The Guest Relations Coordinators are there to help, and they want to make sure you have a great time! They also have information on:

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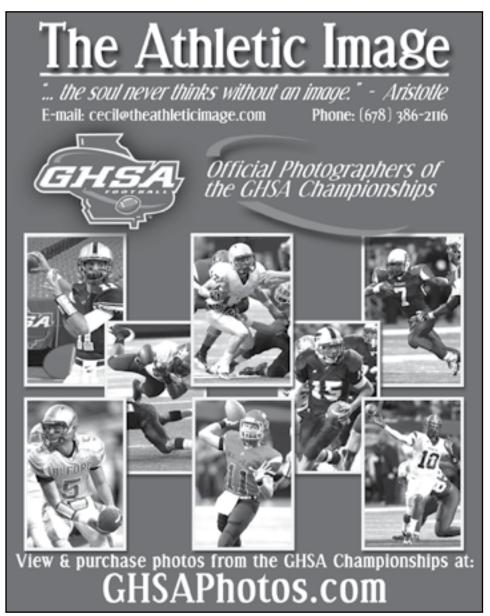
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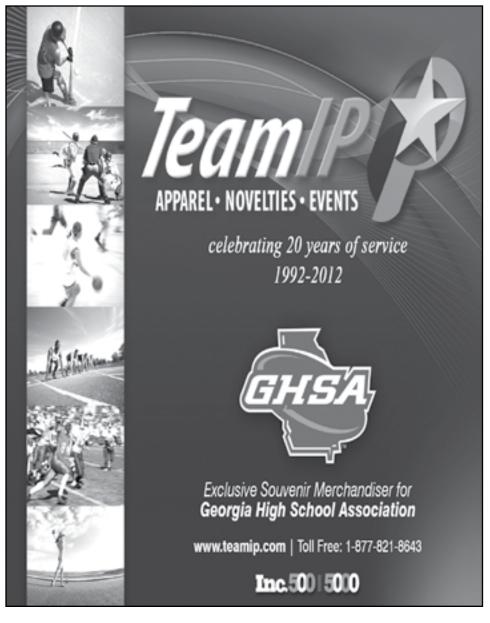
#### **Smoking Wristbands**

For the comfort and health of all fans, the Georgia Dome is a smoke-free environment. Smoking is permitted outside of all entry gates. If you wish to smoke, pick up a wristband at a Dome Service Center and proceed to the designated smoking areas outside the facility. You must present your wristband and your ticket to re-enter the Georgia Dome.













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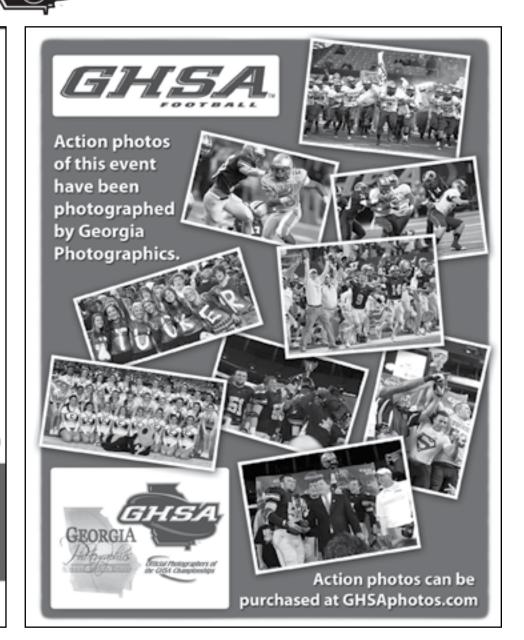
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## **LOVEJOY**

#### **13-1, Region 2, No. 1 seed**

After making the Class AAAA finals in 2011, Al Hughes' Lovejoy Wildcats (13-1) will now head to the 2012 Class AAAAAA finals after a win at home in the semifinals against North Cobb. Lovejoy spotted the Warriors a 21-7 lead before pouring on the pressure both offensively and defensively. Lovejoy quarterback Alejandro Bennifield has weapons galore with TE Arshad "A.J." Jackson and WR Jumichael Ramos, but it was RB Travis Custis that carried the Wildcats to the semifinal victory. The future Georgia Tech Yellow Jacket carried the rock 28 times for 292 yards and five touchdowns in the 63-42 win and is Lovejoy's all-time leading rusher. Custis is one of six FBS college football commitments. Interestingly, the offensive line is anchored by sophomore center Randy Robinson, who played in all 15 games last season as a freshman.

The Wildcats have scored 42 points per game this season while allowing just nine per contest. So far this postseason, Lovejoy has taken out Tri-Cities 51-13, Marietta 36-15 and North Gwinnett 21-6 before thumping North Cobb. The Wildcats' defense has faced several outstanding individual performers over the first three rounds of the playoffs and systematically eliminated each one.

Defensively, Hughes' team is just as fast as it was in 2011. Cornerback Brandon Davis has five interceptions returned for scores this year and Montrell Custis also notched a pick-six in the semifinals. The defensive secondary is given opportunities as NG Nathaniel Norwood is constantly putting pressure on the opposition's quarterback. The 42 points allowed in the semifinals was the most the Wildcats had allowed all year. The defense has posted four shutouts and held five other opponents to less than eight points.

With 12 straight victories in their pocket, Lovejoy will attempt to equal last year's 14-1 record with another victory in the AAAAAA finals.

## **NORCROSS**

#### **14-0, Region 7, No. 1 seed**

Norcross (14-0) is the lone remaining unbeaten team in Class AAAAAA. This may have been a surprise before the season, but the Blue Devils quickly came together after knocking off North Gwinnett in Week 3 and have not looked back since. Keith Maloof's offensive attack begins with RB Alvin Kamara, WR/RB Miles Autry, WR Trey Smith, Clinton Lynch and QB Joseph Wilber also playing major roles for a team that has not scored less than 20 points in any game this season. Kamara is one of the nation's top running back prospects and in the quarterfinal win over Camden County, Kamara rushed for 158 yards on 27 carries and threw for a score out of the Wildcat. In the semifinals, Kamara nearly topped himself by rushing for 133 yards and a score. He also reeled in a screen pass and rumbled 65 yards for another score in the 41-27 win over Colquitt County.

At the quarterback position, Wilber has been Mr. Steady this season, passing for 2,342 yards and 27 scores. He has been able to take advantage of Smith and Autry all year along as Kamara has softened up defenses. Autry has scored 19 times this season. Lynch leads the team with more than 700 yards receiving.

Defensively, DE Lorenzo Carter is nearly unstoppable off the edge. He has recorded more than 20 sacks this season and bookends with Jahmal Jones. Michael Marshall is also a beast on the defensive line. Linebackers Tommy Tate and Kevin Mouhon gobble up ball carriers that manage to sneak past the defensive line. The Norcross secondary is led by cornerbacks Shon Akins and JaQuan Simpkins and safety Jordan Noil. Noil leads the team with five interceptions. This is the first trip to the finals for Norcross and for Maloof, an 18-year coaching veteran.

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WON 44-6
LOST 7-14
WON 43-24
WON 30-7
WON 58-3
WON 41-0
WON 50-0
WON 60-0
WON 51-6
WON 56-0
WON 51-13
WON 36-15
WON 21-6
WON 63-42

OPPONENT	SCORE
SOUTH GWINNETT	WON 35-20
PARKVIEW	WON 20-0
NORTH GWINNETT	WON 31-21
DULUTH	WON 36-7
MILL CREEK	WON 49-41
HABERSHAM CENTRAL	WON 55-0
COLLINS HILL	WON 35-23
MOUNTAIN VIEW	WON 48-6
PEACHTREE RIDGE	WON 36-3
MEADOWCREEK	WON 56-6
CHATTAHOOCHEE	WON 34-7
SOUTH GWINNETT	WON 27-7
CAMDEN COUNTY	WON 34-20
COLQUITT COUNTY	WON 41-27





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#### **Lovejoy Wildcats**

(Lovejoy, Ga.) · Columbia Blue & Gold · Region: 2-AAAAAA

Pos.

DB/RB

#### **Norcross Blue Devils**

(Norcross, Ga.) • Blue & Silver • Region: 7-AAAAAA

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Rashad Peddrew

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DB

#### 2 **Cinwon Whitehead** 12 DB/WR 3 **Brandon Davis** 12 RB/DB 4 **Jaime Nunez** 11 K Jai Murphy 12 RB/DB 6 **Jumichael Ramos** 12 WR/DB **Zane Fields** 12 TE/DE 8 **Arshad Jackson** 12 TE/DE 9 **Terry Henderson** 12 WR/DE 10 12 WR/DB

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Name

Tyrell Brown

**Jeff Murphy** 11 **Preston Williams** 10 WR/DB 12 Randy Anyanwu 11 TE/DE 13 DB/WR El Malik Roberson El 12 **Tremaine Dillard** 10 Alejandro Bennifield 12 **Jarrid Williams** 12 12 Caleb Sims **Camaron Hill** 11 **Khalil Rogers** 10

14 QB/DB 15 QB/DB 16 QB/DB 17 WR/DB 18 QB/DB 19 QB/DB 20 **James Leverette** 12 DB/LB 21 10 **Montrell Custis** DB/RB **Travis Custis** 12 RB/DB Dana Brown 11 WR/DB Markell Willis 12 RB/LB **Treveyion Custis** 10 RB/DB Tre' Hammock 12 WR/DB Jonathan Griffin 12 RB/DB **Brandon Williams** 11 WR/DB **Juwan Tucker** 12 WR/DB **Eugene Fuller** 12 LB/TE **Jared Smith** 12 RB/LB **Veion Robinson** 12 DE/TE Adebo Fadeyi 12 WR/DB **Corey Cathy** 11 RB/LB **Aaron Davis** 10 WR/DB Michael Horton 11 LB/RB Josh Smith 11 RB/LB **Demarquis Gates** 11 LB/RB **Chauncey Jackson** 10 LB/RB

22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 **Nathaniel Norwood** 12 LB/TE 41 **Quaderious Weems** 10 WR/DB 42 **Darien Lee** 11 RB/LB 43 **Rico Tilley** RB/DB 10 45 **Khalid Stewart** 11 RB/LB 46 **Kevin Morris** 12 WR/DB 47 **Chris Hamilton** 10 RB/LB 48 **Tyson Bettis** 10 WR/DB 49 DB/QB **Demario Anderson** 10 50 Kris Ellis 11 OL/DL 51 **Randy Robinson** OL/DL **Darien Conley** 52 10 OL/DL

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**Michael Davis** 

Kris Christian

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feated Norcross. The Blue Devils defeated the only team to topple Lovejoy this season (Colquitt County), but the Wildcats have won 12 straight since falling to the Packers in the second week of the season. The offenses start with a pair of 2,000-yard running backs in Lovejoy's Travis Custis and Norcross' Alvin Kamara. Both are dangerous with the ball in their hands. The two quarterbacks shouldn't be overshadowed as Lovejoy's Alejandro Bennifield is smooth in the backfield and can throw it all over the yard while Joseph Wilber is lethal with his mistake-free passing style and moxie that showed in the semifinal victory. Defensively, each team will bank on pressure being provided up front to let two opportunistic secondaries make plays. Fans may want to track the sack totals of Lovejoy's Nathaniel Norwood and Norcross' Lorenzo Carter.

CLASS AAAAAA SKINNY

Two explosive offenses will go head to head when Lovejoy faces unde-

56	Michael Jones	11	OL/DL
57	Demeche Maddox	12	OL/DL
58	<b>Anthony Sinclair</b>	11	OL/LB
59	Rilwan Akintoye	11	OL/DL
61	<b>Eddie Jimmerson</b>	10	OL/DL
62	Deshawn Frederick	10	OL/DL
63	Rodney Callier	10	OL/DL
65	Mike Marcell	9	WR/DB
66	Jason Hogg	10	OL/DL
67	Isiah Horne	10	OL/DL
69	Dewayne Henry	10	OL/DL
70	Greg Taylor	12	OL/DL
71	Toryan Bell	10	OL/DL
72	Malcolm Johnson	12	OL/DL
75	Justin Brown	11	OL/DL
76	Montel Robinson	12	OL/DL
77	Dailen Walker	11	DL/OL
81	Jemyrion Beasley	10	WR/DB
82	Josh Varner	10	WR/DB
83	Derrick Jackson	10	WR/DE
84	Antonio Dukes	10	TE/DE
85	Brandon Knight	10	TE/LB
86	Stephon Sims	9	RB/DB
87	Jordan Robertson	10	WR/DB
88	Abdul Musah	11	TE/DE
89	Demontre' Thomas	9	WR/DB
90	Joseph Stewart	9	WR/DB
91	Daijuan Matthews	9	WR/DB
92	Tyrell Lawrence	9	WR/DB
93	Trevaro Hardy	9	QB/DB
94	Cedrick Gervin	9	RB/DB
95	Jeremiah Green	9	WR/DB
96	Justin Fant	9	WR/DB
97	Jordan Robb	9	QB/DB
98	Tafari Davis	9	WR/DB

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	11	
1 Maaseiah Francis	11	WR
2 Clinton Lynch	11	WR
3 Shon Akins	12	CB
4 JaQuan Simpkins	11	DB
5 Myles Autry	11	RB
6 Alvin Kamara	12	RB
7 Joseph Wilber	12	QB
8 Corey Bell	12	WR
9 Jahmal Jones	12	DE
10 Joseph Mahfood	12	K
11 Bryant Henderson	12	DB
12 Matisse Mann	12	WR
13 Jordan Noil	11	DB
14 A.J. Hopkins	12	DB
15 Ridwan Issahaku	11	QB
16 Griffin Barker	10	QB
17 LaMarcus Hardnett	11	WR
18 Will Wheaton	10	QB
19 Jacob Gassert	10	QB
20 Jonathan McClain	12	DB
21 Trey Smith	12	WR
22 Brendon Greene	11	RB
23 Christopher Herndon	11	WR
24 Quintauris Lindsey	12	DB
25 Lorenzo Carter	11	DE
26 Noah Bradsher	10	DB
27 Brandon Garner	11	DB
28 Rudy Guillen	10	LB
29 Terrell Peair	12	DE
30 Marcelon Taylor	11	DB
31 James Keeling	11	FB
32 J.S. Ezoua	12	FB
33 Nick Jones	11	LB
34 Warren McWilliams	11	LB
35 Julius Charles	11	LB
36 Miles Hunter	11	LB
37 Malcolm Galloway	11	DB
38 Jeremiah Murphy	11	DB

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49 Joan Galindo 11	LB
50 Caleb Crum 11	0L
51 Tommy Tate 12	LB
52 J.T. Patterson 12	0L
53 Cole Kisner 12	DE
53 Zach Forte 11	0L
55 Blake Wood 11	0L
56 D'Andre Plantin 10	0L
57 Michael Marshall 12	DT
58 Dorian Kithcart 10	DT
59 DeQuan Avery 11	DT
60 Cristian Calvillo 10	0L
61 Jarmarcus Connally 12	DT
62 Jake Tracey 11	DE.
63 Taylor Mitchell 12	OL.
64 Kwabena Okyere 11	OL
65 Horatio Walker 11	0L
66 Jamal Webster 10	DT
67 Jermell Washington 12	OL.
68 Trenton Jenkins 11	OL.
69 Brandon Robinson 12	DT
70 Ryan Northrup 11	OL.
71 Nathan Robinson 11	0L
72 Nathanael Cruz 12	DT
73 Justin Hernandez 11	OL.
74 Charles Cook 12	DT
76 Juan Aguila 11	OL.
77 Joseph Ledford 12	0L
78 A.J. Touat 11	OL
79 Ryan Savage 10	OL.
80 Jared Pinknev 10	WR
81 Darian Dennis 11	TE
82 Nathan Strother 11	WR
83 Marques Solomon 11	TE
84 Xavier Triche 11	WR
85 Damien Blue 12	DT
86 Shayne Steele 11	WR
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Antonio Andrews

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OL/DL

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TE/DE



## **WARE COUNTY**

#### **13-1, Region 3, No. 1 seed**

The Gators are bidding for their first state championship in school history in their third appearance. After reaching the title game in 1961, they most recently made it back in 2007—when they fell to Northside-Warner Robins 20-14 for the Class AAAA championship. This season got off to a relatively inauspicious start, when Ware County lost to Coffee, a Class AAAAAA opponent, but one that ultimately failed to make the playoffs. Nonetheless, the Gators have won 13 in a row since that initial setback, including 11 straight against Class AAAAA competition. Only three wins have come by fewer than double-digits and none was more thrilling than a semifinal showdown against none other than Northside-Warner Robins. Ware County squandered all of a 17-7 lead in the final 30 seconds after surrendering a touchdown, an onside kick and a field goal. The Gators recovered with an overtime touchdown run from Xavier Tobler before stopping the Eagles on their ensuing possession.

Tobler rushed for 140 yards and scored all three Ware County touchdowns in the semifinal victory. The senior running back has been the driving force behind the Gators' offense all season and is taking his talents to Georgia Southern next year. It has to be said, however, that head coach Ed Dudley's team relies on its defense. The unit is allowing just 8.6 points per game and boasts five shutouts. Ware County held Stephenson to 63 yards of total offense in a 14-0 quarterfinal blanking and Northside-Warner Robins' 17 points were its fewest of the season. The Gators have not surrendered more than 24 points in any contest. Senior cornerback Tremon Porter had two interceptions in the victory over Stephenson. Tobler, who also stars at linebacker, returned a fumble for a touchdown in a playoff-opening rout of Lakeside-Evans—which managed only six rushing yards.

## **GAINESVILLE** 11-3. Region 8. No. 2 seed

Will the seventh time be the charm for Gainesville? The Red Elephants have been to the state championship game on six previous occasions, but not once have they taken home the title. They last reached the final game in 2009, getting edged by Peach County 13-12. It did not always look like this would be the year in which Gainesville would get over the hump, as it lost three games—including two in a row at the end of the regular season. But the team's three setbacks came by a combined eight points. The Red Elephants were never particularly cold, but they have gotten scorching hot at the right time. All four playoff victories have come by at least 14 points and they hammered Region 1 top seed Harris County 64-13 in the quarterfinals.

While Gainesville's offense has been consistent from start to finish, it peaked for the playoffs. Head coach Bruce Miller's squad is averaging 45.1 points per game for the year and 48.5 in the postseason. Junior quarterback Deshaun Watson, who has already committed to Clemson, is borderline unstoppable. On the season, Watson has 3,707 yards passing and 1,356 rushing while accounting for 69 total touchdowns. With one more year still to play, Watson is poised to break the Georgia state record for career passing yards on Friday (he is a mere 30 yards short of the record). He exceeded the 9,000-yard mark in a 28-14 semifinal victory over Whitewater. Two of Watson's favorite targets are senior Caleb Hayman, committed to South Alabama, and sophomore Rodney Lackey. Sophomore running back Michael Byrd is another force out of the backfield. Gainesville's defense, led by junior linebacker Devan Stringer, has stepped up of late. The unit limited Whitewater 2,000-yard running back Kendall Conley to 91 yards on 24 carries in the semis.

OPPONENT	SCORE
COFFEE	LOST 14-21
CHARLTON COUNTY	WON 31-0
BRUNSWICK	WON 21-16
WINDSOR FOREST	WON 38-0
GLYNN ACADEMY	WON 27-10
JENKINS	WON 49-6
RICHMOND HILL	WON 27-24
GROVES	WON 41-0
BRADWELL INSTITUTE	WON 39-6
EFFINGHAM COUNTY	WON 49-0
LAKESIDE-EVANS	WON 27-7
UNION GROVE	WON 20-13
STEPHENSON	WON 14-0
NORTHSIDE-WR	WON 24-17

OPPONENT	SCORE
WEST FORSYTH	LOST 30-32
BUFORD	WON 19-15
WINDER-BARROW	WON 69-0
APALACHEE	WON 62-20
HERITAGE-CONYERS	WON 42-14
CEDAR SHOALS	WON 42-23
SALEM	WON 49-6
CLARKE CENTRAL	WON 49-28
LOGANVILLE	LOST 41-46
FLOWERY BRANCH	LOST 34-35
ROME	WON 41-14
KELL	WON 61-42
HARRIS COUNTY	WON 64-13
WHITEWATER	WON 28-14





# WARE COUNTY 5 GAINESVILL

#### **Ware County Gators**

(Waycross, Ga.) • Green & Gold • Region: 3-AAAAA

Pos.

#### **Gainesville Red Elephants**

(Gainesville, Ga.) • Red & White • Region: 8-AAAAA

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**Brenquez Dukes** 

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LB

#### 2 WR/DB **Devante Durham** 11 3 DB/WR **Josh Johnson** 10 DB/RB 5 John Ivey 12 6 WR/DB Sammy Burley 10 7 **Zae Ealey** 11 QB/FS DB/WR 8 **Demetrius Causer** 12 9 **Grayson Yeomans** 12 WR 10 **Tremon Porter** 12 QB 10 QB/DB 12 **Caleb Johnson** 13 **Cameron Wilkins** 11 TB/DB

Name

## CLASS AAAAA SKINNY

It is a classic case of the immoveable object (Ware County defense) and the unstoppable force (Gainesville offense). The Gators come in with five shutouts this year, including a 14-0 win over Stephenson in the quarterfinals. Ware County also limited explosive Northside-Warner Robins to just 17 points in the semifinals. On offense, QB Jamar Johnson presents a threat running and passing while RB Xavier Tobler, a Georgia Southern commit, pounded the Northside defense for three touchdowns last week. Gainesville's offense starts and ends with QB Deshaun Watson, who has put up video game numbers all season. The Clemson commit will try to do it all today for the Red Elephants who have gone over 60 points twice in the playoff already, mostly due to Watson's play-making ability. However, the Gainesville defense also deserves kudos, as the unit held Whitewater star RB Kendall Conley to just 91 yards last week in the semis.

				Wi	nitewater star RB K	Cendall C	onley to
14	Jammar Johnson	11	QB/FS				
15	Carlton Jenkins	11	FS/WR	60	Miles Bramletta	12	0L
16	John Benek	11	Р	63	Anthony Rolle	11	DT
18	<b>Gordon Dudley</b>	10	QB/ILB	65	Dakota York	11	0L
19	Quan Bannaman	11	WR	67	Stephen Wright	10	OT/DL
21	Xavier Tobler	12	LB	68	Jimal Mcbride	12	DL
22	Montre Merritt	11	ILB/RB	70	Travis Leaphart	12	0L
23	Cameron Gibson	12	DB	71	Aubrey Wheeler	11	0L
25	Andre Mathews	12		72	Cliff Thomas	12	0L
27	Markevis Davenport	10	ILB/RB	73	Sam Baptiste	12	0L
28	Chaz Calhoun	12	DB	74	Eddie Green	11	0L
30	Shawnmichael Lewis	11	RB/OLB	76	Slater Hodge	12	0L
32	Lee Kevin	12	DB	77	Bleu Murray	11	0L
34	Zurrell Taylor	11	DT/RB	82	<b>Delonte Parrish</b>	11	DE
36	Malik Washington	11	OLB/RB	83	Josh Bailey	11	WR
37	Jarquez Bailey	12	WR	84	Caleb Nuss	11	WR
39	Kenneth Clark	12	FB/LB	85	Cossy Ivey	11	WR
40	Seth Starling	12	K	87	Sam Thompson	11	TE/DE
44	Marshall Aspinwall	12	K	89	Isa Lowe	12	WR
50	Caron Taylor	12	0L	90	Patrick Hitt	12	0L
52	justin Nguyen	10	DT/G	92	Wayne Coleman	11	DT
55	Blaine Harper	10	C/DE	95	Proctor Rhett	12	P
58	Demarrio Buckhalter	12	DT	97	Eric Mack	11	DE
59	Lewy Morrison	12	0L	98	Jimal McBride	12	0L

#	Name	Gr.	Pos.
1	Michael Pittman	12	LB
2	Neil Pavao	11	DB
3	Tray Harrison	12	WR
4	Deshaun Watson	11	QB
5	Justin Cantrell	12	DL
6	Ronnie Peebles	11	LB
7	<b>Chandler Newton</b>	11	WR
3	Lucky Walton	12	WR
9	T.k. Mize	12	DB
10	Orrin Ragland	10	WR
11	Brenquese Dukes	11	LB
12	Mikey Gonzalez	10	QB
13	Rodney Lackey	10	WR
14	Quamon Peoples	12	DB
15	Jay Gaudlock	11	RB
16	Lahius Leverette	12	WR
17	Rayshon Thomas	11	RB
18	Mesiah Dorsey	9	WR
19	Chastin Newman	11	WR
20	Fred Payne	12	DB
21	Lewis Cousins	10	DB
22	Michael Byrd	10	RB
23	Toddrick Turner	9	DB
24	Ben Smith	12	LB
25	Alex Muckle	12	LB
26	Deandre Borders	10	DB
27	Antonio Wade	10	WR
28	Devan Stringer	11	LB
29	Kris Pierce	10	LB
30	Chris Byrd	9	LB
31	Maurice Tanner	12	LB
32	Kijana Young	12	DB
33	Brandon Hernandez	12	DB
34	Terrall Hendrix	11	LB
35	Wake Chambers	9	WR
36	Jordan Haley	10	WR
37	Jordan Jay	11	LB
38	Quon Dukes	9	LB

40	Brenquez Dukes	11	LD
41	Eric Castro	12	LB
42	Aaron Aguilar	10	DB
43	Charlie Simpson	10	DL
44	Logan Harr	9	DL
45	Carson Gregory	9	DB
46	Chris Lyles	9	DB
47	Jack Cumisky	11	LB
48	Corey Cantrell	9	DB
49	Abner Flores	11	LB
50	Bill Hood	9	OL.
51	Jase Lint	9	DL
52	Gilbert Ibarra	12	OL.
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53	Tommie Peebles	-	DL
54	Kash Jones	10	DL
55	Jadarius Sosebee	10	LB
56	Nick Singleton	10	DL
57	Creighton Knight	10	0L
58	Conner Calvert	12	DL
59	Nate Roys	9	0L
60	Bobby Upshaw	12	0L
61	Valentine Felix	11	0L
62	Chris Wright	12	0L
63	Jeremy Ingram	11	0L
64	Danny Flores	11	0L
65	Quentin Brown	10	DL
66	Chase England	12	OL.
67	Damian Grayson	12	DL
68	Victor Leon	12	OL.
		9	DL
69 70	Gabriel Copeland		
70	Dylan Blanchard	9	0L
71	Tristan Hayes	10	0L
72	Luke Snelling	9	0L
73	Hosea Jackson	10	DL
74	Jamel Dabney	10	DL
75	Edgar Arroyo	11	0L
76	Dakota Cousinmane	11	0L
77	Josiah Todd	9	DL
78	Sam Milner	11	0L
79	Jeff Nguyen	11	0L
80	Jack Brand	9	LB
81	Caleb Hayman	12	WR
82	Arturo Razo	11	LB
83	Derrick Young	10	DB
84	Cortez Jackson	9	WR
85	Donovan Moss	12	WR
86	Tony Mercado	10	LB
87	Jarron Henderson	10	DL
	Thomas Garner		
88		9	WR
89	Anthony Constantine	11	LB
90	Shyderius Darden	10	DB
91	Patrick Schmitt	10	K
92	Gage Turner	11	K
93	Wesley Cooper	10	K
94	Sidney Morrow	12	K
95	Dre Young	9	DB
96	Israel Simmons	9	DL
97	Feliciano Galvan	9	0L
98	Khalid Yarbrough	12	K
99	Colton Quinones	11	DL.
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#### Head Coach: Ed Dudley

Assistant Coaches: Shawn Campbell • Paul Callahan • Jimmy Francis • Pete Irby Jason Smith • Matt Collins • Shaun Pope • Scott Brown • Kevin Stevenson • Jay Howard Joe Eichfeld • Tony Yeomans • Tre Hill • Lonnie Adamson • Andy Hayman • James Doe

**Head Coach:** Bruce Miller

DB

Assistant Coaches: Dave McConnell • Jim Pavao • Wayne Jones • Durward Pennington
John Kemp • Tyler Perry • Stacy Young • Lyn Marsh • Michael Perry
Matt Shirley • Kraig Peebles • Mike Newton • Mark Henson

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### **SANDY CREEK** 14-0. Region 5. No. 1 seed

Despite last season's quarterfinal loss to Gainesville, Sandy Creek is building something of a dynasty. The Fighting Patriots won the Class AAAA state championship in 2009 and, dating back to the start of the 2008 campaign, have won 66 of their last 69 games. They are bidding for their second undefeated season in the last three years. Sandy Creek has not even come close to losing a game in 2012. Its narrowest margin of victory is 11 points, against Burke County in the quarterfinals. Nine of the Patriots'14 contests have been decided by more than 30 points, including two playoff drubbings (55-0 over Eastside in the first round and 35-0 over Monroe Area in the semifinals).

The Fighting Patriots are not even required to live up to their name on offense; they simply score points at will. More than capable of churning out yards both on the ground and through the air, they are averaging 43.9 points per game (and the average could be much higher if many contests were not decided long before the final horn). Junior quarterback Cole Garvin has thrown for 2,288 yards to go along with 19 touchdowns and just six interceptions. Garvin's favorite target is junior wideout Demarre Kitt, who has 62 receptions for 1,041 yards and 10 scores. Sophomore running backs Eric Swinney and Delvin Weems have combined for 2,300 yards and 35 touchdowns. If an opposing defense focuses one aspect of the Sandy Creek arsenal, it will use another angle to exploit that defense. At the same time, the Patriots' defense is holding up its end of the bargain. The unit, which boasts three shutouts and eight times has held teams to seven points or fewer, limited Monroe Area to 117 yards. Carrollton, which runs a wing-T like Ridgeland, managed only seven points and barely more than 100 yards against Sandy Creek on Nov. 2.

## RIDGELAND

#### **13-1. Region 7. No. 1 seed**

Ridgeland has stormed into its first state championship appearance with a 13-1 record and a 13-game winning streak. Its only loss, which came in the opener on Aug. 31, is nothing about which to be ashamed. Calhoun, which is playing for its second consecutive Class AA title, edged the Panthers 42-35. Ridgeland is averaging 42.1 points per contest and from its second game through Round 2 of the playoffs, it beat every opponent by at least 15 points—and nine of those 10 opponents by more than 20 points. After holding off LaGrange 41-34 and trouncing Mary Persons 45-14, Ridgeland survived Marist 28-27 in a semifinal thriller. Marist scored a touchdown with fewer than four minutes remaining in the game to break a 21-21 tie, but its ensuing PAT was blocked. The Panthers marched down the field and answered with the gamewinner, which came on a halfback pass from Darrell Bridges to Shaqualm McCoy with 36 seconds left. Marist still had time of its own, but a field-goal attempt clanged off the upright on the game's final play.

Halfback passes are a staple for Ridgeland, which runs a wing-T offense. From his standard fullback position, Bridges threw two touchdowns and had more than 100 yards through the air against Marist. Still, one cannot go so far as to say that the Panthers' offense is balanced. They arguably boast the most feared group of runners in the state. Bridges has more than 2,200 rushing yards to go along with 39 touchdowns. Senior RB/DB Vonn Bell, who has narrowed down his college choices to Alabama, Ohio State and Tennessee, has also surpassed the 1,000-yard mark out of the backfield. McCoy has more than 550 rushing yards and Noah Cooper has racked up 780 yards on the ground. Bell, who also hauled in a 57-yard touchdown pass from Bridges in the semifinals, garners even more accolades on defense from his safety position.

OPPONENT	SCORE
BANNEKER	WON 52-6
NEWNAN	WON 38-7
EAST COWETA	WON 31-7
FAYETTE COUNTY	WON 55-14
TROUP	WON 48-10
SHAW	WON 51-26
ALEXANDER	WON 42-6
LAGRANGE	WON 47-13
CARROLLTON	WON 30-7
COLUMBUS	WON 65-0
EASTSIDE	WON 55-0
DALTON	WON 35-13
BURKE COUNTY	WON 31-20
MONROE AREA	WON 35-0

OPPONENT	SCORE
CALHOUN	LOST 35-42
RIVER RIDGE	WON 42-8
CEDARTOWN	WON 42-21
PICKENS	WON 35-7
DALTON	WON 48-21
SOUTHEAST WHITFIELD	WON 42-7
NORTHWEST WHITFIELD	WON 35-20
LAFAYETTE	WON 42-0
HERITAGE, CATOOSA	WON 56-14
RIVER RIDGE	WON 48-14
WASHINGTON	WON 45-21
LAGRANGE	WON 41-34
MARY PERSONS	WON 45-14
MARIST	WON 28-27



# S\_RIDGELAND

### Sandy Creek Fighting Patriots

(Tyrone, Ga.) • Red, White & Blue • Region: 5B-AAAA

#### **Ridgeland Panthers**

(Rossville, Ga.) • Black & Silver • Region: 7B-AAAA

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**Jamie Berry** 

#### Name Gr. Pos. 1 **Shaquille Wiggins** 12 CB WR 3 **Chancellor Triplett** 12 4 **Solomon Bolds** 12 WR 5 **Josh Branom** 12 DE 7 **Corey Griffin** 12 S WR 8 **Demarre Kitt** 11 9 Khari Lain 11 LB S 10 Juwaan Pulliam 12 Joseph Alexander TE 11 11 **Zerric Willis** WR 12 12 13 **Cole Garvin** 11 QB QB 14 **Trey Walker** 10 **Justin Sumpter** WR 15 11 16 **Kyle Wilson** 12 WR 17 **Brian Miller** 10 CB **Chuck Terron** 12 QB 18 19 20 21

### **CLASS AAAA SKINNY**

A star-studded cast will highlight today's matchup between Ridgeland and Sandy Creek. QB Cole Garvin, WR Damarre Kitt, OL Alan Knott and DB Shaq Wiggins are all major college prospects while Ridgeland counters with two-way athlete Vonn Bell, who is being pursued by Alabama, Ohio State and Tennessee, and RB Darrell Bridges, who rushed for 182 yards and two scores last week in the semifinals while also completing three passes for 110 yards and two more scores. If experience in big games counts, Sandy Creek would have a major edge here. The Patriots have played in two finals in the past three seasons prior to this year while making the playoffs each year since 2002. Ridgeland, however, is somewhat of a Cinderella story after winning 13 games this year, four more than the previous program best. It should be interesting to watch which program rises to the challenge today with all the chips on the table.

18	Chuck lerron	12	QB				
19	Dakota Rocker	10	QB	54	Jeremy Penn	11	ОТ
20	Micah Solomon	11	LB	55	Chris Williams	11	DT
21	Jakaih Gilliam	11	СВ	56	Spencer Roberts	12	DL
22	Jayland Horne	10	RB	57	Chase Dickens	10	DE
23	Jewel Brown	12	FB	58	Jamon Rowe	12	C
24	Eric Swinney	10	RB	59	Coleman Taylor	11	C
25	Jaylon Harvey	12	LB	61	Eric Warrior	9	СВ
26	Josh Greene	10	S	62	Avery Jones	11	DL
27	Delvin Weems	10	RB	63	Nick Meeks	9	DL
28	Wesley Sullivan	11	LB	65	Brandon Hobbs	12	OT
29	Ronnie Blackmon	9	DB	66	Sir James Prothro	9	OG
30	Kenton Chatman	12	CB	69	Chance Brown	9	LB/OG
31	Julian Austin	11	СВ	70	Alan Knott	12	0L
32	Maceo Brown	11	RB	71	Trenton Rigby	10	LS
33	Javon Jackson	9	S	72	Michael Henderman	12	DT
34	Javonte Lain	10	LB	74	Nick Davis	10	0L
35	Corey Banks	9	WR	75	Brandon Meeks	10	OG
36	Bryce Harvey	11	СВ	77	Trent Sellers	10	DE/C
37	Trayvon King	12	FB	79	Issac Saxon	12	OG
38	<b>Gabriel Arnold</b>	11	S	80	<b>Matthew Davenport</b>	10	K/P
39	Stewart Dodson	11	S	82	Sammy Brown	10	WR
40	Jarrod Stanley	9	СВ	84	Tiriq Muhammed	9	S
41	JoJo Harvey	11	TE/OG	85	Caleb Smith	10	WR
42	Antonio Williams	12	FB	86	Jeremiah Relaford	10	WR
43	Nick Toney	11	FB	87	DJ Forte	9	TE
44	Zach Lane	12	DE	88	Sam Beard	10	TE/OT
46	Will Harper	9	LB	89	Mitchell McMillin	12	K/P
47	Drew Folds	12	LS	90	<b>Broderick Allen</b>	11	DE
48	Elijah Gilmore	9	LB	93	Joseph Cotton	9	WR
49	Austin Vazquez	10	FB	94	Gary Davis	9	WR
51	<b>Shonrodney Rosser</b>	9	DL/FB	96	Dominique Reed	9	QB
52	Ryan Warrior	11	G	98	Antonio Trapp	9	S
53	Ethan Stubbs	9	C/DE	99	Chandler Tuitt	9	DT

#	Name	Gr.	Pos.
1	Uras Agee	11	REC/DB
2	<b>Sharone Porter</b>	12	REC/DB
3	Trevor Long	12	QB
4	Tracy Miller	11	RB/LB
5	<b>Evan Courtney</b>	12	K
6	<b>Bradley Stailey</b>	11	RB/LB
7	Vonn Bell	12	RB/DB
8	Dillon Peterman	11	REC/DB
9	Ivan Ojeda	9	K
10	Darrell Bridges	12	RB/LB
11	<b>Hunter Kaufhold</b>	11	QB
13	Austin Bowen	10	REC/DB
14	Jacob Russell	10	QB/LB
15	Shaqualm Mccoy	12	RB
16	<b>Devartay Turner</b>	9	RB/DB
17	Trey Stubbs	11	REC/LB
18	Tarian Bridges	9	RB/DB
19	Tristin Bethune	9	RB/LB
21	<b>Caderius Word</b>	9	QB/LB
22	<b>Zach Weathers</b>	10	RB/LB
23	Dayton Jackson	12	RB/LB
24	Nate Strickland	9	RB/DB
25	Terry Bell	9	REC/DB
26	<b>Marquise Bryant</b>	11	RB/LB
27	Joshua Bess	9	RB/LB
28	Noah Cooper	11	RB/LB
29	Shaun Sryock	11	QB
30	Jeremy Masley	9	RB/LB
31	David Peterman	9	RB/LB
32	Josh Smith	10	RB/DB
33	Chase Crawford	10	REC/DB
34	DJ Chesney	10	RB/LB
35	Dustin Peterman	9	RB/LB
36	Jordon Bentley	10	RB/DB

	31	Jaillie Delly	J	NLU/DD
	38	lan Hayes	10	TE/LB
	39	Chandler Carver	9	REC/DB
	40	Tyrell Smith	12	TE/LB
	41	Kory Pearson	9	REC/DB
	42	Larry Turner	10	RB/DB
	43	George Johnson	11	RB/LB
	45	Cody Davis	12	RB/DB
	46	Jerome Smith	11	RB/LB
	47	Josh Masley	11	RB/LB
	49	Nathan Morgan	9	RB/LB
	50	<b>Gannon Hampton</b>	12	OL/DL
	51	Troy Minchew	12	OL/DL
	52	Sam Cobb	10	OL/LB
	53	Malik Couch	11	OL/DL
	54	Noah Nelson	11	OL/DL
	55	Daniel Johnson	12	OL/LB
	56	Cody Wilbanks	12	OL/LB
١	57	Jacob Byrd	10	OL/DL
	58	PJ Gardner	10	OL/DL
	59	Josh Skates	11	OL/DL
	61	Dakota Pace	10	OL/DL
	62	Adam Davis	9	OL/DL
	63	Justin Allen	9	OL/DL
	64	Hunter Shirley	11	OL/DL
	65	Tre Daniels	11	OL/DL
	66	Dustin Davis	12	OL/DL
	67	Justin Bess	9	OL/DL
	68	Mason Low	11	OL/DL
	69	Cameron Mcgill	9	OL/DL
	71	Grady Matthews	12	OL/DL
	73	Hunter Presnell	11	OL/DL
	74	Zack Robertson	10	OL/DL
	75	Brett Byrd	11	OL/DL
	76	Joby Pickett	9	OL/DL
	77	Stephen Hurst	9	OL/DL
	78	Austin Burns	11	OL/DL
	79	Michael Trew	10	OL/DL
	80	Samuel Akins	9	OL/DL
	81	Eric Perry	11	OL/DL
	83	Tyler Collis	10	OL/DL
	84	Justin Whitecotton	11	REC/DB
	85	Will Boydsten	9	OL/DL
	90	Brandon Poteet	9	OL/DL
	91	Michael Baxter	9	REC/DB
	92	Stephen Byrd	9	OL/DL
	93	Jermane Conyers	11	OL/DL
	94	Justin Bolton	10	REC/DB
	95	Garrett Brown	9	OL/DL
	96	Akil Bentley	10	OL/DL
	97	Logan Wattenburger	9	OL/DL
	98	Tim Graham	9	OL/DL
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**REC/DB** 

**Head Coach: Chip Walker** 

Assistant Coaches: Jamie Glover • Eddy Householder • Brett Garvin • Scott Smith David Cooper • Michael Stalons • Howard Flanigan • Jeremy Sweeney • A.J. Ellis Chad Wallace • Rashad Muhyee • Bill Luckie • Casey Smith

**Head Coach:** Mark Mariakis **Assistant Coaches: Todd Cassell • Shane Cauthorn Eric Edwards • Kip Klein Brian Patterson • Craig Pritchett** 



### **STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS**



## **BUFORD**

#### 11-3, Region 7, No. 2 seed

The Buford Wolves fell at home for the first time since 2006 earlier this season as AAAAA finalist Gainesville tripped up the Wolves 19-15 on Sept. 7. The Wolves' defense forced five turnovers but couldn't hold a late lead. Since that loss, the offense has exploded for at least 40 points six times not including a pair of 60-point performances that were later forfeited for the use of an ineligible player.

Jess Simpson's offense can thank a pair of standouts on the offensive line in Josh Cardiello and Nick Polino, who set the tone for the power running game. Zavior Hoxie, Dontravious Wilson and Joshua Thomas are three of the multiple backs that have received touches this year and Tre Neal, Jaylon Mize, Mikey Bart and Thomas Wilson are dangerous from the perimeter. Last year, Sam Clay was under center and a threat to pass the ball in any situation, but this year the offense has rotated a pair of quarterbacks with great success. Taylor Mitchell and Montgomery VanGorder have each looked smooth under center, and the pair could be the driving force for yet another state title.

The 4-3 defensive look for Buford features several of those same faces with Bart and Cardiello joining Brandon Brinson and Donte Gordon on the defensive front. Bryson Jordan and Dontravious Wilson join Deion King and Korie Rogers at linebacker. The team picked off three Cartersville passes last week after recovering a pair of fumbles the week prior against Carver-Columbus.

The Wolves traveled the state's most difficult road to the finals, beating an explosive Cedar Grove offense 41-27, a tough North Oconee defense 13-0, an athletic Carver-Columbus 31-7 and an undefeated Cartersville 21-10, with the last three coming on the road.

## ST. PIUS X

### 12-2, Region 6, No. 1 seed

The Golden Lions of St. Pius X reached the program's third finals ever with a standout defensive effort against North Hall in a 31-6 semifinal victory. This season, while the offense has earned plenty of praise for averaging 37.5 points per game, the defense has been simply outstanding by limiting opponents to a total of 193 points, 63 coming in two playoff games. The St. Pius X defensive effort is spearheaded by defensive tackle Quincy Nieporte, linebacker Daniel Crochet and cornerback Michael Sikorski. The three defensive stalwarts give head coach Paul Standard an all-region member at each level of the defense. Tackle Kyle Johnson helped stuff a crucial fourth down play last week against North Hall and Matt Pearson came away with an interception last week in the win. The defense managed to hold an offense that averaged 340 yards on the ground to just 192 rushing yards.

Offensively, quarterback Jack Spear has been aided by Nick Ruffin, Branden Mitchell and Ryan Braswell. Mitchell rushed for a pair of scores and 164 yards against Washington County in the quarterfinals while Braswell tallied 131 yards and two scores against North Hall. Spear is the straw that stirs the drink as he can be effective on the ground and through the air. Spear was named the Region 6-AAA all-region quarterback, and Braswell joined him on the list. Linemen David Marsau and Phineas Andrews also were recognized for their tireless efforts opening up holes for a running game that averages more than 300 yards per contest.

The Golden Lions raised plenty of eyebrows by opening up the postseason with a 72-28 victory over Dawson County. St. Pius X followed that up with a 31-15 win over Hart County, a 40-35 victory over Washington County and the semifinal win over North Hall.

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	OPPONENT	SCORE
	ELBERT COUNTY	WON 14-3
	GAINESVILLE	LOST 15-19
	HANCOCK CENTRAL	WON 43-0
	BANKS COUNTY	LOST 0-1, (FORFEIT)
	WEST HALL	LOST 0-1, (FORFEIT)
	WHITE COUNTY	WON 49-14
	DAWSON COUNTY	WON 34-3
	FANNIN COUNTY	WON 51-0
	EAST HALL	WON 49-6
	NORTH HALL	WON 45-16
	CEDAR GROVE	WON 41-27
	NORTH OCONEE	WON 13-0
	CARVER, COLUMBUS	WON 31-7
	CARTERSVILLE	WON 21-10

OPPONENT	SCORE
WESTMINSTER	WON 21-3
NORTH OCONEE	WON 50-14
THOMSON	LOST 14-21
LOVETT	WON 24-0
TOWERS	WON 48-6
MCNAIR	WON 34-0
CEDAR GROVE	WON 38-28
WOODWARD ACADEMY	LOST 14-20
BLESSED TRINITY	WON 24-17
DECATUR	WON 47-0
DAWSON COUNTY	WON 72-28
HART COUNTY	WON 31-15
WASHINGTON COUNTY	WON 40-35
NORTH HALL	WON 31-6



# BUFORD ST. PIUS X

#### **Buford Wolves**

(Buford, Ga.) · Green & Gold · Region: 7-AAA

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Javlen Mize

**Quinn Davis** 

**Deion King** 

Steven Reese

**Taylor Mitchell** 

**Zach Vickery** 

**Matthew Staples** 

Luke Humphrey

**Montgomery VanGorder** 

**Tyler Winslow** 

**David Petroni** 

Michael Mejia

**Colston Vukanovich** 

Will Rollins

**Zack Bolla** 

Ben Wicker

**Thomas Wilson** 

**Bryson Jordan** 

**Josh Holderfield** 

**Joshua Thomas** 

**Dylan Streeter** 

**Terrance Wilson** 

Ryan Coleman

**Connor Tarleton** 

Tyler Shipman

**Jake Chalacoff** 

**Deione Bledson** 

Elijah Bryant

Donte' Gordon

**Avery Turner** 

**Xavier Gantt** 

Martin Mangram

**Konnor Houston** 

**Jordan Perlotte** 

**Carlos Miller** 

**Korie Rogers** 

**Hunter Gatlin** 

Mikey Bart

Joe Salas

Isaac Nauta

**Austin Simpson** 

Connor Gildemeyer

**Shane Queen** 

**David Curry** 

**Zavior Hoxie** 

Tre' Neal

**Shawn Reynolds** 

**Dontravious Wilson** 

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#### St. Pius X Golden Lions

(Atlanta, Ga.) • Blue & Gold • Region: 6-AAA

### **CLASS AAA SKINNY**

While the Buford Wolves will be making the program's sixth straight appearance in the GHSA finals, the St. Pius X Golden Lions will be in the finals for the first time since winning the GHSA Class AA title in 1968. Jess Simpson's Wolves have an offense that likes to get out and run, though don't sleep on Buford going play-action to some capable playmakers on the outside. St. Pius X will have its hands full trying to stop Dontravious Wilson and Zavior Hoxie, but the Golden Lions have their own powerful running game to try and keep Buford's offense on the sidelines. Paul Standard's attack is triggered by Jack Spear, who can run it or pull back and throw it downfield. The Golden Lions have some fine athletes that could offer a different look than past editions of St. Pius X.

The key in this game will be which offensive line controls the opposition's defensive line enough to spring the running game. St. Pius X's Ryan Braswell can run for days, but if Buford linebackers Korie Rogers and Bryson Jordan stuff him early and often, the Wolves have enough power in the defensive secondary to turn over the ball and set up the offense.

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QB	54	Blake Ferguson	10	LS	<u>#</u> _
WR/DB	55	Alex Ceren	11	OL/DL	2
RB/DB	56	Josh Cardiello	12	OL/DL	3
RB/LB	57	Quay Picou	10	OL/DL	4
WR/DB	58	Nick Polino	10	OL/DL	5
WR/DB	59	Brad Edwards	11	OL/DL	6
RB/DB	60	Harrison Morgan	11	OL/DL	7
RB/LB	62	Andrew Neish	11	OL/DL	8
WR/DB	63	Cooper Simpson	9	OL/DL	9
WR/DB	64	Jimbo Mansfield	12	OL/DL	10
RB/LB	65	Marcus McCullough	11	OL/DL	11
RB/DB	66	Austin Hess	10	OL/DL	12
RB/LB	67	Ryan Dobbs	10	OL/DL	13
RB/DL	68	Conner Simpson	12	OL/DL	14
RB/LB	70	Alan Frazier	9	OL/DL	15
RB/LB	71	Travis DeGoey	10	OL/DL	16
RB/LB	72	Garrett Roebuck	12	OL/DL	17
RB/DL	73	Brady Jackson	10	OL/DL	18
WR/DB	75	Nick Angle	12	OL/DL	19
RB/DB	76	Nick Lulkowski	11	OL/DL	20
RB/DB	77	Hunter Holland	10	OL/DL	21
TE/LB	78	Juan Ayala	11	OL/DL	22
RB/DL	79	Shug Frazier	9	OL/DL	23
RB/DB	80	Cameron Poole	11	TE/DL	24
TE/LB	81	Tyler Sutherland	11	TE/DL	25
TE/DL	82	Brian LeBel	11	TE/LB	26
TE/DE	83	Titus Clark	10	WR/DB	27
FB/LB	85	Brandon Mangram	10	WR/DB	28
TE/DE	87	Caleb Auer	9	TE/DE	30
RB/LB	88	Aaron Auer	10	WR/DB	32
OL/DL	90	Brandon Brinson	12	OL/DL	33
OL/DL	98	Jacob Swanson	10	P/K	34
OL/DL	99	Matthew Bonadies	10	P/K	35
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2	Ryan Foster	12	WR/DB
3	Ryan Braswell	12	FB/LB
4	Branden Mitchell	11	RB/DB
5	Kevin O'Toole	11	RB/LB
6	lan Flinn	11	TE/DE
7	Matthew Nall	10	QB/DB
8	David Spratte	12	WR/DB
9	Chandler Cooper	11	TE/DE
10	Jack Spear	12	QB/DB
11	Robby Moots	10	RB/LB
12	Robert Barnett	9	QB/DB
13	Harris Woodward	12	WR/DB
14	Thomas O'Leary	11	К
15	Chris Wegener	11	WR/DB
16	Berlin Sewell	12	WR/DB
17	Ryan Kostensky	12	WR/DB
18	Fred Dorsey	11	WR/DB
19	Joey Connors	10	QB/DB
20	Nick Ruffin	11	RB/DB
21	Jack McIntyre	12	WR/DB
22	Jack Pelt	11	RB/DB
23	Sam Franke	10	RB/LB
24	Nick Glass	11	RB/DB
25	David DeLany	11	RB/DB
26	Matt Pearson	12	WR/DB
27	Michael Matthews	10	K
28	Michael Sikorski	12	WR/DB
30	Robby Jackson	12	RB/LB
32	Daniel Crochet	11	RB/LB
33	Brian O'Reilly	10	RB/DB
34	Julian Holloman	10	WR/DB
35	Nick Spear	10	RB/DB
35	Nick Spear		RB/DB

36	Jared Natsh	10	WR/DB
37	Connor Hild	10	TE/DE
38	Grant Fairvalley	11	WR/LB
39	Blayne Bentley	11	RB/LB
40	Peter O'Reilly	11	WR/LB
41	Austin Thomas	10	WR/DB
42	Dalton Wilson	10	RB/LB
45	Casey Wilson	11	LS/DE
46	Forest Whitlark	10	RB/LB
47	Brennan Fitzpatrick	10	RB/LB
48	Patrick Winkeljohn	10	RB/LB
50	Kyle Johnson	12	OL/DL
51	Ty Mascara	10	OL/LB
52	Michael Reddaway	12	OL/LB
53	Andrew Jacon	10	OL/DE
54	Luke Stokes	10	OL/DL
55	Grayson Klinger	12	OL/DL
56	Liam Boggs	10	OL/DL
57	Quincy Nioporte	12	OL/DL
58	Davis Price	12	OL/LB
59	Michael Caragher	11	OL/DL
60	Joe Newton	10	OL/DL
61	Connor Foarde	10	OL/DL
62	John Demos	11	OL/DL
63	Tommy Parks	11	OL/DL
64	David Marsau	12	OL/DE
65	Matthew Doelling	11	OL/DL
66	John Garner	10	OL/DL
67	Phineas Andrews	12	OL/DL
68	Matthew Coklan	10	OL/DE
69	Gilbert Orr	11	OL/DL
70	Jordan Reticker	11	OL/DE
72	Reid Lareau	11	OL/DL
73	Brian Dugan	10	OL/DL
74	Luke Taylor	12	OL/DL
75	Colm Boyer	10	OL/DL
76	Kyle Lewis	10	OL/DL
77	Andrew Carson	10	OL/LB
80	J.P. Graves	12	TE/DE
81	Jack Gray	10	WR/DB
82	Chandler Markham	11	WR/DB
83	Riley Gessner	10	TE/DE
84	Drew Einbender	10	WR/DB
85	Chris Braswell	10	TE/DE
86	Cameron Fannon	10	TE/DE
87	Brian Lentini	11	WR/DB
88	Bradley Schwaner	10	TE/DE
89	Frank Lentini	11	WR/DB

**Head Coach:** Jess Simpson

Assistant Coaches: Dicky May • Chris Warbington • Neal Auer • David Snell • Bryan Rogers
Bryant Appling • Drew Anthony • Fyrone Davis • Gary McCroskey • David Watkins
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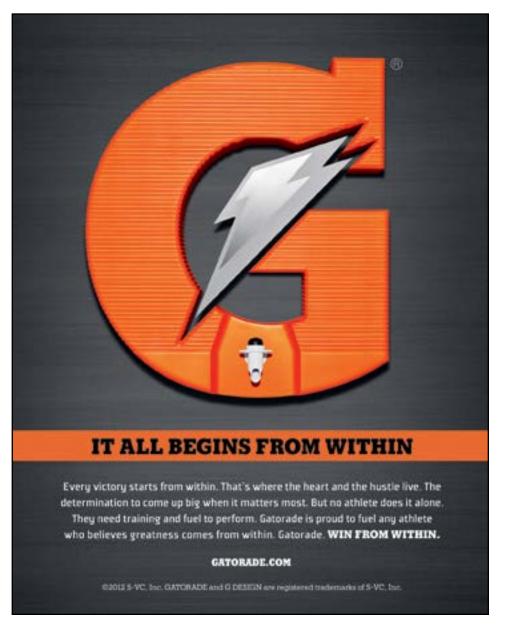
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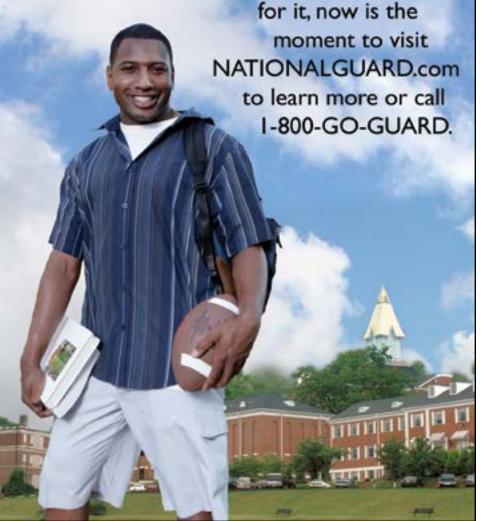


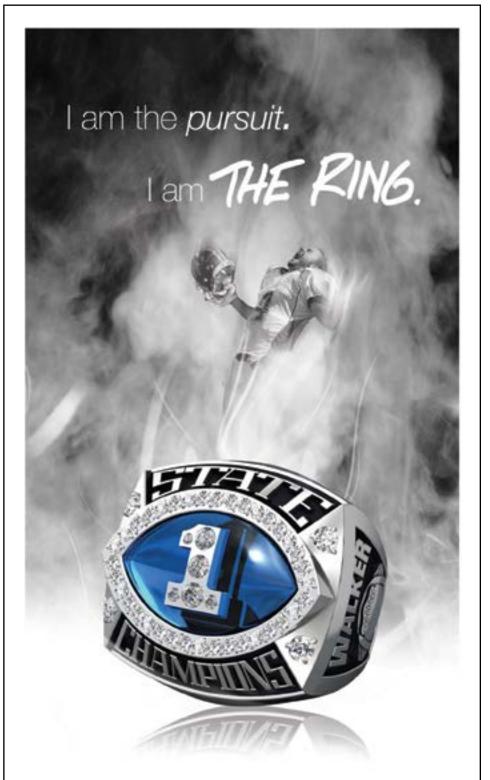
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### **JEFFERSON** 13-1, Region 8, No. 1 seed

These are not entirely uncharted waters for Jefferson, but they aren't exactly navigated on a regular basis, either. This is the Dragons' third appearance in a state championship and first since 1977 (they lost at the final hurdle in '75 and '77). In fact, Jefferson had not reached the quarterfinals since that run in 1977. The program suffered second-round defeats in 2003, 2007, 2008 and 2009. This season's campaign almost came to a halt in Round 3. Thriller after thriller has been played around the state in these playoffs, but perhaps none has been more chaotic than Jefferson's nail-biter against Fitzgerald. The host Dragons blocked a field goal to force overtime before Fitzgerald blocked a PAT to force a second overtime. After trading touchdowns and two-point conversions in the second extra frame, Jefferson answered another Purple Hurricanes' touchdown with a score followed by a clinching two-point conversion to win it 53-51.

Senior quarterback Bryant Shirreffs has been getting it done with both his arm and his feet for Jefferson, which is riding a school-record 13-game winning streak. In a 35-7 second-round win over Westminster, Shirreffs rushed for 248 yards and passed for 88 more while accounting for four total touchdowns. Against GAC in the semis, Shirreffs again had four touchdowns while exceeding 100 yards through the air and on the ground. A lethal running game also features junior halfbacks Isaiah Blake and Tristen Jackson. The Dragons are averaging 44.3 points per game in their last 11, but the defense cannot be overlooked. In its last 10 outings, Jefferson has held opponents to seven points or fewer seven times and only once has an opponent scored more than 14 points. Senior linebacker Wesley Simonton had 14 tackles—including three for a loss—against GAC.

### **CALHOUN** 14-0, Region 7, No. 1 seed

The Yellow Jackets are through to their fifth consecutive Class AA state championship game after getting past Lamar County 21-14 last Friday night. On all four previous occasions they faced Buford—which currently finds itself in the Class AAA final—for the title. Calhoun lost in 2008, 2009 and 2010, but finally toppled the Wolves 27-24 in overtime last season. The program has won 29 consecutive games since a 31-24 heartbreaker against Buford in the 2010 championship game. This year's squad is 14-0 and beating opponents by an average score of 45-14. Only two teams have come within double digits of Calhoun: Lamar County in the semifinals and Ridgeland (which is playing for the Class AAAA title) in the season opener. The Jackets have scored at least 34 points in 13 of 14 contests and the defense has posted four shutouts. In its last 10 outings, Calhoun is giving up a mere 6.5 points per game.

The Yellow Jackets' high-powered attack is led by senior quarterback Taylor Lamb, who was named the 2012 Georgia Gatorade Player of the Year. In 2011, Lamb led the state with 3,638 passing yards to go along with 40 touchdowns. This season, he has passed for 3,229 yards and 34 touchdowns at the expense of just five interceptions. Lamb, who has committed to South Alabama, will be looking to bounce back from being held to a career-low 64 yards through the air against Lamar County. Senior running back Alex Urbano stepped up with 160 rushing yards and two touchdowns. The Jackets' ever-improving defense is headlined by senior cornerback Donnell Anthony, who preserved last week's victory with an interception in his own endzone late in the fourth quarter. Calhoun has forced 10 turnovers through four playoff games, four thanks to Anthony interceptions.

OPPONENT	SCORE
COMMERCE	LOST 7-22
JACKSON COUNTY	WON 28-6
NORTH HALL	WON 27-21
GREENE COUNTY	WON 62-26
WASHINGTON-WILKES	WON 31-0
RABUN COUNTY	WON 55-7
OGLETHORPE COUNTY	WON 43-0
SOCIAL CIRCLE	WON 47-10
RIVERSIDE MILITARY	WON 35-7
UNION COUNTY	WON 42-7
KENDRICK	WON 42-8
WESTMINSTER	WON 35-7
FITZGERALD	WON 53-51, (3 OT)
GAC	WON 42-14

OPPONENT	SCORE
RIDGELAND	WON 42-35
DALTON	WON 56-41
CARROLLTON	WON 46-35
DADE COUNTY	WON 50-14
COOSA	WON 35-0
PEPPERELL	WON 45-13
MURRAY COUNTY	WON 69-0
ARMUCHEE	WON 53-0
MODEL	WON 35-0
CHATTOOGA	WON 49-14
WESLEYAN	WON 42-10
WASHINGTON-WILKES	WON 34-7
BROOKS COUNTY	WON 49-7
LAMAR COUNTY	WON 21-14





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#### Jefferson Dragons

(Jefferson, Ga.) · Royal Blue & Red · Region: 8-AA

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Name

Willie Taylor

**Tradd Porter** 

**Austin Mixon** 

**Shaq Alexander** 

**Trent Sorrells** 

**Chase Wester** 

**McKay Dickens** 

**Bryant Shirreffs** 

**Evan Shirreffs** 

**Tay Stevens** 

**Hunt Hayes** 

**Dalton Hill** 

Sammy Williams

**Wesley Simonton** 

**Kendrick Robinson** 

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#### Calhoun Yellow Jackets

(Calhoun, Ga.) · Black & Gold · Region: 7-AA

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**David Prater** 

**Lawson Carden** 

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WR/DB

## CLASS AA SKINNY

Both Calhoun and Jefferson possess a strong one-two punch in the backfield. Calhoun has coach Hal Lamb's nephew Taylor at QB and Alex Urbano at RB. Lamb was limited to a career-low 63 passing yards in the semifinal against Lamar County, but ran for 83. Urbano, however, pitched in 160 yards and two scores on the ground for the Yellow Jackets. Jefferson will try to match Lamb and Urbano and raise Calhoun with QB Bryant Shirreffs and RB Tristen Jackson. The pair combined for 213 rushing yards in the semifinal win over GAC while Shirreffs also tossed two touchdown passes. Calhoun comes in with plenty of finals experience along with a 29-game winning streak. Jefferson just set a school record with 13 wins and has won all of those games after a season-opening loss to rival Commerce.

17	Ty Blackard	11	DB	af	ter a season-openir	ıg loss	to rival C
18	<b>Chandler Thompson</b>	11	WR				
19	<b>Antonio Strickland</b>	9	QB/DB			_	
20	Tristan Amouroux	10	RB/LB	58	Deshon Lester	9	OL/DL
21	Hanon Price	11	RB/DB	59	Jordan Tyler	11	OL/DE
22	Isaiah Blake	11	RB/DB	60	Blake Harkins	10	OL/DL
23	Silas Thibodeaux	9	RB/DB	62	Daniel Kimmel	11	OL/DL
24	Kade Bougher	10	WR/DB	63	Michael Dyer	10	OL/DL
25	Draven Taylor	9	RB/DB	64	Zach Bowman	10	OL/DL
26	Rodney Carr	10	WR/DB	65	Rufus Whitfield	11	OL/DL
27	Micah Carpenter	10	WR/DB	66	Cody Patridge	10	OL/DL
28	Cole Stancil	9	WR/DB	67	Conner Nations	12	OL/DL
29	Luke Wells	10	WR/DB	68	Canaan Wade	10	OL/DL
30	Tristen Jackson	11	RB/LB	69	Michael Hernandez	9	OL/DL
32	Hunter McCaslin	9	RB/LB	70	Eli Griffin	11	OL/DL
33	Austin McAllister	12	RB/DB	71	Todd Brown	12	OL/DL
34	Steven Nguyen	12	LB	73	<b>Brett Carson</b>	9	OL/DL
35	Vance Holcombe	10	RB/DE	74	John Myers	10	OL/DL
36	Josh Cole	9	WR/DB	75	Connor Paul	12	OL/DL
37	Logan Lanphear	10	DB	76	Alex Corbett	9	OL/DL
38	Tyler McAllister	10	K	77	Jackson Dyer	9	OL/DL
39	Kevin Hankinson	12	LB	78	Ethan Garner	10	OL/DL
40	Stephan Nguyen	11	DE	79	Michael Goza	10	OL/LB
41	Kody McDonald	12	LB	80	Donnie Hatfield	11	OL/DL
43	Cooper Young	10	WR/DB	81	Chris Nable	10	WR/DB
45	Joseph Randolph	9	TE/LB	82	Jackson Howard	10	WR/DB
46	Charles Swank	9	DE	83	Gage Lawson	10	WR/DB
47	Tyler Bowen	11	RB/LB	84	Bryson Wright	12	DB
48	Robby Glockson	9	LB	85	Alex Loven	9	WR/DB
49	Chandler Schlutow	12	K	86	Maverick McKinney	10	LB
50	Ethan Hix	11	OL/LB	87	Evan Mobley	9	TE/DE
51	Chazz Tillman	10	OL/DL	88	Walter Chapeau	9	WR/DB
52	Tyler Cole	12	OL/DE	89	Alex Parrish	9	LB
53	Zach Barber	9	OL/LB	90	Angel Cazares	9	K
54	Collin Anthony	12	OL/DE	91	Devin Malone	9	K
55	Kyle Porter	11	OL/DL	92	Lane Blackard	10	DB
56	Jackson Bowen	9	OL/LB	93	Michael Paolozzi	10	OL/DL
57	Justin Holcombe	12	OL/DL	94	Tyler McCrary	9	WR/DB
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#	<u>Name</u>	Gr.	Pos.
1	Alex Urbano	11	RB/LB
2	Keegan Mabry	12	WR/DB
3	Brett Moss	11	WR/DB
4	Tydus Curtis	11	WR/DB
5	Carter Edwards	12	RB/OLB
6	Andrew Haynes	11	WR/DB
7	Josh Barnes	12	WR/DB
8	Fields Chapman	11	QB/LB
9	Logan Walraven	11	WR/DB
10	Donnell Anthony	12	RB/DB
11	Taylor Lamb	12	QB
12	Jonah Gallman	12	K
13	Avery Johnson	11	WR/DB
14	Drew McCracken	10	WR/LB
15	Zane Rhodes	12	K/P
16	Thomas Lester	10	WR/DB
17	Matt McHan	10	QB/DB
18	Will Conley	10	RB/LB
19	Chazz Moss	10	WR/DB
20	Tanner McCormick	11	WR/DB
21	Austin Bennett	10	RB/LB
22	J.P. Parker	10	WR/DB
23	Chase Jackson	11	WR/DB
24	Lee Alarcon	12	WR/DB
25	Jon Register	11	TE/LB
26	Seth Parr	12	WR/LB
27	Tyler West	12	TE/LB
28	Cole Jackson	10	RB/LB
29	Jonathon Harbour	10	WR/DB
30	Logan Knight	12	WR/DB
31	Michael Stacy	11	WR/LB
32	Tristan Fuller	10	RB/LB
33	Ross Callahan	11	WR/LB
34	Carson Brown	10	WR/DB
35	Jake Gentry	10	WR/LB
36	<b>Justin Harrison</b>	12	TE/LB
37	Tyler Ellis	11	WR/LB

	40	Lawson Carden	10	MK/DR
	41	Thomas Haggard	10	WR/DB
	42	Nathan Petty	10	WR/DB
	43	Sebastian Willer	12	TE/DL
	44	Jireh Wilson	9	RB/LB
	45	Kolby Reynolds	9	RB/LB
	46	Will Swantic	9	QB/DB
	47	Kealan Riley	9	QB/DB
	48	Jarrett Carden	9	WR/DB
	49	<b>Ethan Woodard</b>	9	WR/DB
	50	O'Shea Davis	11	OL/DL
	51	Jon Ross McBrayer	10	OL/DL
	52	Austin Byrd	11	OL/DL
	53	Spencer Cross	10	OL/DL
	54	Jackson Brumlow	12	OL/LB
	55	Hayden Crabtree	11	OL/DL
	56	Angel Cornejo	11	OL/DL
	57	Cory Knight	12	OL/DL
	58	Matt Landry	11	OL/LB
1	59	Victor Palencia	10	OL/LB
	60	Luke Green	12	OL/DL
	61	Hunter Padgett	12	OL/DL
	62	Thad Burton	12	OL/DL
	63	Katrova Dew	11	OL/DL
	64	Chaz Horton	12	OL/LB
	65	Seth Moreland	12	OL/DL
	66	Tucker Foster	10	OL/DL
	67	Cameron East	11	OL/DL
	68	Hunter Moss	10	OL/DL
	69	Esteban Valladares	10	OL/DL
	70	Blaine Anderson	9	OL/DL
	71	Truett Moss	10	OL/DL
	72	Christian East	9	OL/LB
	73	Dustyn Harris	10	OL/DL
	74	Nathan Walraven	11	OL/DL
	75	Jack Defoor	9	OL/DL
	76	Danny Ambrocio	10	OL/DL
	77	Wisdom Monyei	12	OL/DL
	78	Brantson Pierce	11	OL/DL
	79	Grayson Tilley	10	OL/DL
	80	Romi Shah	10	WR/DB
	81	Brison Fleetwood	10	TE/DL
	82	Jacob Robinson	9	TE/DL
	83	Jesus Cruz	12	WR/DB
	84	Chris Barrett	10	RB/LB
	85	Ray Reeves	9	WR/DB
	86	Jonah Landry	9	WR/DB
	87	Easton Gallman	9	WR/DB
	88	Dusty Baker	9	WR/DB
	89	Sandesh Patel	12	WR/DB
	90	Nick Allen	9	TE/DL
	91	Easton Trotter	9	OL/DL
	92	Drew McEntyre	9	OL/DL
	93	Jordan Towe	9	RB/DB
	96	Erwin Flores	12	ND/DD K
	97	Harshal Patel	9	WR/DB
	98	Brandon Blaylock	9 11	Wh/DB K/P
	99	Noah Ferguson	9	RB/LB
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**Head Coach: T. McFerrin** 

Assistant Coaches: Tom Parker • Ben Hall • Bob Gurley • Nate Webster Todd Samples • Allen Thompson • Sid Smith • Billy Brunson • Rodney Kesler **Head Coach:** Hal Lamb

Assistant Coaches: Michael Davis • Ricky Ross • Dain Clark • Keith Hall • Clay Stephenson Tommie Hoblitzell • Chase Arnold • Robbie Spector • Matt Rice • Sam Robison

WR/DB

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Zach Ruth

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## PRINCE AVENUE CHRISTIAN 11-2, Region 8, No. 4 seed

Prince Avenue Christian extended its season with a 32-22 victory over 2011 finalist Landmark Christian last week, just one week after upsetting No. 1 Athens Academy. The Wolverines' defense has been the heartbeat of Mark Farriba's team all season, but it was 5-foot-6 junior quarterback Zack Graham that came up with the biggest play of the game in the semifinal win. Graham hit tight end Titus Campbell on a 44-yard touchdown to help build an early lead. Carl Mattox would also contribute 166 yards and two scores to pace the offense, something he has done all season. Mattox rushed for 121 yards and a score in the quarterfinal win over Athens Academy. Bryce Huff and Connor Sibley also are major contributors to the running game.

The defense, meanwhile, has backed up that strong rushing attack with six games of seven or fewer points allowed. Even in the Wolverines' pair of losses, the defense gave up just 14 and 17 points to Athens Academy, the No. 1 seed in the Class A-private bracket, and George Walton Academy, a semifinalist, respectively. Farriba's team has earned its shot at a title thanks to a host of two-way players including Mattox, who also plays defensive back, and Christian Payne. The latter blocked a punt and had a pair of sacks in the win over Athens Academy.

Postseason success has only recently found its way to Prince Avenue Christian in Bogart. The program made the postseason for the first time in 2010 and last year reached the semifinals. PACS should be ready for whatever comes its way in the finals after battling playoff teams such as Savannah Christian, Athens Christian, Athens Academy, Commerce and George Walton Academy before the playoffs even began.

## EAGLE'S LANDING CHRISTIAN ACAD.

**12-1, Region 5, No. 2 seed**The Chargers of Eagle's Landing Char

The Chargers of Eagle's Landing Christian Academy (12-1) have nearly wiped away all of the demons from the last few seasons. ELCA fell in the semifinals last year and started the year 12-0 in 2010 before losing in the quarterfinals. After stomping Our Lady of Mercy to open up the playoffs, then soundly defeating the defending Class A champions in the quarterfinals, Eagle's Landing Christian Academy took down George Walton Academy 27-14 in the team's closest win of the season.

The Chargers have battled injuries all season. Do-it-all standout Keyante Green missed time earlier in the year and the future Purdue Boilermaker has been hobbled of late with an ankle injury. When healthy, Green has played all over the field for coach Jonathan Gess, including running back, linebacker and some quarterback. Starting quarterback Dalton Etheridge appears to be healthy again, and his touchdown late in the semifinals iced the win for the Chargers. He was also a key player in the huge victory over Savannah Christian, accounting for five scores in the 42-7 win. If Green cannot go, Lane Timpson could see some carries. He scored on a five-yard run against George Walton.

Defensively, Isaac Rochell has been able to play despite wearing a cast for part of the year. The star defensive end will play at Notre Dame next year. In the semifinals, D.J. Curl, Marquis Griffin and Jevious Terry all recorded interceptions against Georgie Walton Academy. The Chargers' defense also held star junior Stanley Williams to just 139 yards and no touchdowns, something the rest of the state had failed to do this season.

Terry's biggest plays came on special teams. Terry, who had just returned from an ankle injury, returned the game's opening kickoff for a score and later blocked and returned a field goal attempt for a score.

OPPONENT	SCORE
ST. FRANCIS	WON 48-20
HAPEVILLE CHARTER	WON 47-6
SAVANNAH CHRISTIAN	WON 28-12
GLASCOCK COUNTY	WON 48-7
ATHENS CHRISTIAN	WON 40-0
ATHENS ACADEMY	LOST 7-14
COMMERCE	WON 30-0
HEBRON CHRISTIAN ACAD.	WON 48-6
PINECREST ACADEMY	WON 50-35
GEORGE WALTON ACAD.	LOST 14-17
DARLINGTON	WON 42-21
ATHENS ACADEMY	WON 24-7
LANDMARK CHRISTIAN	WON 32-22

OPPONENT	SCORE
WASHINGTON COUNTY	LOST 19-24
BRIARWOOD CHRISTIAN, AL	WON 32-7
CLINCH COUNTY	WON 47-20
HAPEVILLE CHARTER	WON 56-14
HOLY INNOCENTS'	WON 42-3
MT VERNON PRESBYTERIAN	WON 62-0
OUR LADY OF MERCY	WON 49-0
STRONG ROCK CHRISTIAN	WON 69-6
PACE ACADEMY	WON 55-0
LANDMARK CHRISTIAN	WON 43-0
OUR LADY OF MERCY	WON 42-14
SAVANNAH CHRISTIAN	WON 42-7
<b>GEORGE WALTON ACADEMY</b>	WON 27-14



# PRINCE AVE. S. ELCA

### **Prince Avenue Christian Wolverines**

(Bogart, Ga.) • Navy & Gold • Region: 8-A

## Eagles Landing Christian Acad. Chargers (McDonough, Ga.) · Navy Blue & Vegas Gold · Region: 5-A

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**Drew Cox** 

10 WR/DB

#### Name Pos. 11 В 1 **Carl Mattox** 2 **Ward Evans** 11 SE 3 **Zack Graham** 10 В 4 **Jonah Doster** 9 В **Cody Pannell** K 5 11 12 **Jones Farriba** 12 В SE **Travis Clark** 11

## CLASS A-PRIVATE SKINNY

Prince Avenue Christian and Eagles Landing Christian will both look to control the line of scrimmage with effective running games in an attempt to dominate time of possession. ELCA has the more impressive collection of athletes with Isaac Rochell (Notre Dame) and Keyante Green (Purdue), but Prince Avenue Christian has its own set of playmakers that keep the scoreboard buzzing. Carl Mattox almost never leaves the field for Wolverines head coach Mark Farriba. The running back-defensive back is always in on the action and Jonathan Gess' Chargers should always account for him. If Green is healthy for ELCA, look for him to be moved all over the field on offense. If too much attention is paid his way, Chargers quarterback Dalton Etheridge can burn you with his arms and his legs. This game will be won when one squad finally cracks the other side's stout defense and forces the opposition to play catch up.

16	Adam Hayden	12	K				
18	George Alviter	10	В	56	James Shirley	12	G
20	Sutton Norris	9	В	58	Jason Shivar	12	G
21	Blake Graham	10	TE	60	T. J. Loveless	10	G
22	Hayden Lewis	11	В	61	Sam Kennon	11	G
23	Daniel Howell	12	SE	63	Alexander Stier	10	C
24	Clayton Moorman	11	В	64	Chandler Gray	10	T
25	Tyler Foster	10	В	65	Wesley Bridgham	11	Т
28	Seabon Davis	9	В	66	Clay Petty	10	G
30	Max Moorman	10	В	67	Chandler Chittom	10	G
32	Bryce Huff	11	В	68	Ashton Glenn	9	G
33	Tyler Parrish	11	TE				
34	Caleb Steiner	9	SE	71	Trent Hood	10	T
36	James Wagner	10	TE	72	David Zeagler	11	T
38	Rob Farriba	11	В	74	Logan Moulton	9	T
42	Christian Payne	10	TE	76	Josh Grider	12	T
53	Damen Casper	11	G	77	Jordan Williams	11	C
54	Carter Patton	12	т	84	Brandon Sallee	10	TE

#	Name	Gr.	Pos.
1	Keyante Green	12	RB/LB
2	Jevious Terry	12	WR/DB
3	Dalton Etheridge	11	QB
4	Bryson Durden	11	RB
5	<b>Cameron Stewart</b>	10	RB/LB
6	Issac Barber	11	P/K
7	Marquis Griffin	12	WR/DB
8	Patrick Busscher	12	WR
9	Cam Merritt	9	WR/DB
10	Jordan Long	9	QB/DB
11	Davis Reynolds	10	DB
12	Jamal Tookes	11	WR/DB
13	Ethan McKibbon	11	WR
14	<b>Garrison Durham</b>	9	RB/LB
15	Davis Carrandi	11	WR
17	Cole Dellinger	12	WR/P
18	<b>Christian Yancey</b>	10	WR/DB
19	Jacob Luke	9	WR/DB
20	Lane Timspson	11	RB/LB
21	Andrew Loach	10	WR/DB
22	DJ Curl	12	WR/DB
23	Brad Moore	11	WR/DB
25	Antwaun Campbell	10	WR/DB
26	Adam Brown	9	K
27	Matthew East	11	WR/DB
28	Konner Wright	12	DB

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32	Gabe Hinkle	10	WR/DB
33	Chase Burdette	9	RB/LB
36	Griffin Alexander	9	RB/LB
40	Andreus Holley	12	RB/NG
41	Sam Shockley	9	OL/DL
42	<b>Braxton Harris</b>	11	LB
43	Morgan Alexander	10	DB
44	Aaron Farthing	11	WR/DB
45	Josh Shockley	11	FB/LB
48	Nick Dawson	10	WR/DL
49	Davis Watts	11	LB
50	Evan Lewis	10	OL/LB
51	Zach Green	9	OL/DL
52	Alex Jerreat	11	FB/LB
53	<b>Matthew Moore</b>	11	0L
54	Noah Richards	9	OL/DL
55	Dalton Hardeman	9	OL/DL
56	Bryce Rush	11	0L
57	Chris Lightsey	9	OL/DL
58	Montero Boyd	9	OL/DL
59	Spencer Stefano	10	OL/DL
60	Austin Byrd	9	OL/DL
62	<b>Chandler Reeves</b>	9	OL/DL
63	<b>Holton Henry</b>	11	DL
65	Mitchell Devonshire	10	OL/DL
68	Lee Griffin	11	0L
70	Beau Beasley	11	0L
71	Gib Pounds	11	0L
73	Jake Martin	12	0L
74	Patrick Zember	10	OL/DL
75	Tyler Petty	12	0L
76	Alexander Johnson	12	OL/DL
77	Ryan Meneely	10	OL/DL
78	Isaac Rochelle	12	OL/DL
79	<b>Andrew Williams</b>	11	OL/DL
80	Cole Niblett	9	WR/DB
81	Aaron Bright	10	WR/DB
85	Christian Zember	11	DL
98	Darius Goode	10	WR/DL

#### **Head Coach:** Mark Farriba

Assistant Coaches: Richard Bell • Chance Jones • Brian Wommack • John Kennon

Doug Jackson • Loren Purvis • David Lincoln • Greg Stephens

Head Coach: Jonathan Gess

Assistant Coaches: Derek Chastain • Joe Bryan • Gary McLaurin

Scott Queen • Travis Rogers • Jeff Simpson • Kenneth Tullis • Bryan Shockley



## **DOOLY COUNTY**

#### **11-2**, **Region 4**, **No. 5** seed

Dooly County (11-2) is the headed back to the state finals after a a 10-year absence. The Bobcats last made the finals in 2002, and before that in 1983, falling both times. The GHSA seeded Dooly County as the No. 5 team in the Class A-Public bracket, but Jimmy Hughes' squad has been an upset machine, tossing aside No. 4 Seminole County 34-28 before taking out No. 1 Lincoln County 10-7.

Defensive tackle Montravius Adams is a monster on the defensive interior at 6-foot-4, 310 pounds. Several recruiting sites list him as the No. 1 player at the position, with one service calling him the best player in Georgia, over the likes of Carl Lawson and Robert Nkemdiche. Last week against Lincoln County, Adams lived in the Red Devils' backfield, harassing whoever had the ball. He also recovered an onside kick and even ran the ball on offense. Other standouts on defense include Tay Daniels and Mark Clark, who teamed up to block a field goal and return it for a score against Lincoln County.

The true offensive standouts could not manage a score against Lincoln County, but quarterback A.J. Smith is more than capable of carrying the load in the postseason. Smith found success against Seminole County in the quarterfinals, passing for 255 yards and four scores. Lloyd and Chanin Hamilton each racked up more than 60 yards rushing in the Bobcats' most recent win.

Dooly County has won six straight games since falling 12-7 to Marion County on Oct. 19. The playoffs have seen the Bobcats pull off a 19-8 win over Turner County before the upsets of Seminole County and Lincoln County. Jimmy Hughes' Bobcats lost in the first round of the playoffs last season.

## **EMANUEL COUNTY INSTITUTE**

#### **12-1, Region 3, No. 3 seed**

Emanuel County Institute (12-1) is ready to run wild with James Brown, Greg Purcell and Michael Sutton. ECI rushed for 439 yards in a win over Gordon Lee in Round 1 action and then used Brown and Purcell to put away Trion. In the semifinals against No. 2 Wilcox County, Purcell torched the Patriots' defense for 119 yards while Brown scampered for 105 yards. Brown has now rushed for 437 yards in his team's three postseason games and Purcell has passed the century mark twice after gaining 103 yards against Gordon Lee. Two other ECI backs have racked up at least 400 yards rushing this season, and the trio of Brown, Purcell and Sutton have combined for 2,300 yards and 34 scores.

Caleb Pressley, who has signed to play baseball at Georgia Southern, brings plenty of athleticism to the quarterback position for Chris Kearson's Wing-T offense. He has thrown for nearly 1,000 yards and 14 touchdowns this year.

The defense will need to buckle down after allowing 27 points to Wilcox County in the semifinals. The Bulldogs are giving up just 12 points per game, a number skewed by the 48 points the team allowed on Sept. 7 to AAA power Washington County in ECI's only loss. The Bulldogs allowed just 20 points over one six-game stretch, recording the defense's two shutouts on the year against Portal and Johnson County. Kearson's team entered the GHSA Class-A Public bracket as the No. 3 seed before whipping Gordon Lee 46-12 and Trion 27-10. ECI defeated Wilcox County 38-27 last week.

ECI is back in the finals for the first time since 2008 and is seeking its first title since 2007, when current Thomson head coach Milan Turner roamed the sidelines.

OPPONENT	SCORE
MACON COUNTY	WON 21-20
AMERICUS-SUMTER	WON 21-12
WILCOX COUNTY	LOST 14-28
BROOKSTONE	WON 7-3
HAWKINSVILLE	WON 24-16
CENTRAL-TALBOTTON	WON 45-0
MARION COUNTY	LOST 7-12
ST. ANNE-PACELLI	WON 47-14
GREENVILLE	WON 35-0
SCHLEY COUNTY	WON 48-0
TURNER COUNTY	WON 19-8
SEMINOLE COUNTY	WON 34-28
LINCOLN COUNTY	WON 10-7

OPPONENT	SCORE
METTER	WON 42-7
WASHINGTON COUNTY	LOST 22-48
JENKINS COUNTY	WON 42-15
CLAXTON	WON 14-6
PORTAL	WON 48-0
WHEELER COUNTY	WON 68-7
TREUTLEN	WON 50-6
JOHNSON COUNTY	WON 40-0
MONTGOMERY COUNTY	WON 56-7
SAVANNAH CHRISTIAN	WON 48-14
GORDON LEE	WON 46-12
TRION	WON 27-10
WILCOX COUNTY	WON 38-27





## Dooly County Bobcats (Vienna, Ga.) · Cardinal & Gold · Region: 4-A

#### **Emanuel County Institute Bulldogs**

(Twin City, Ga.) • Red & Black • Region: 3B-A

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<u>#</u>	Name	Gr.	Pos.
1	Jaylen Daniels	12	DE
2	Lotorrance Childs	10	WR/DB
3	Terrell Royal	120	B/WR/DB
4	Cortney Clark	11	WR
5	Jerome Pressley	10	DB
6	Tay Daniels	11	LB
7	AJ Smith	12	QB

Perhaps the best player in the state of Georgia will be on display when Dooly County's Montravius Adams lines up at defensive tackle to try and slow ECI's rushing attack. The Bulldogs feature quite the three-headed rushing attack with Greg Purcell, James Brown and Michael Sutton, but the Bobcats of Dooly County have been limiting offenses throughout the postseason. ECI will look to run its Wing-T attack against the Bobcats to try to neutralize, or at least wear down, Adams. Bulldogs quarterback Caleb Pressley is comfortable in the offense, a recipe for disaster for opposing defenses. The matchup to watch may be how Dooly County's offense fares against a stout ECI defense that hates giving up points. A.J. Smith can impress with his arm, but the offense had County. The offense could receive a boost ons as he is a load to stop.

**CLASS A-PUBLIC SKINNY** 

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7	AJ Smith	12	QB		Adams in special go		
8	Tyrone Anderson	12	WR	44	Malik Adams	10	FB/LB
10	Javarious Hardrick	11 R	B/WR/LB	47	Kenneth Oliver	9	FB/LB
11	Trevoski Lundy	10	WR	50	Demetrius Boone	10	OL/DL
12	Kris Lundy	11W	/R/DB	51	Dequan Daniels	12	DE
14	Jordan Miles	9	QB	52	Montravius Adams	12	DT
17	Kereon Merrell	11	WR/DB	53	Kendall Kellogg	10	OL/DL
20	Deontay Brown	12	DB/WR	55	Jaleel Brown	11	DL
21	Tre Cobb	11	RB/LB	56	Sedeyrius Hicks	12	0L
22	Mark Clark	11	RB/LB	57	Curt Hardrick	10	OL/DL
24	Zachary Hooks	12	RB/LB	58	Tyrell Deriso	11	DL/OL
25	Chanin Hamilton	10	RB/LB	62	Larry Glover	11	OL/DL
27	Rashad Hawkins	11	RB/LB	63	Kevin Griffin	9	OL/DL
26	Diego Cruz	12	K/P	64	JaSean Wiley	12	DL/OL
33	Javarious Adams	9	RB/LB	65	Tahj Morrell	9	DL/OL
34	Mark Lloyd	11	RB/LB	73	Jontavious Levya	9	DL/OL

#	Name	Gr.	Pos.
1	James Brown	12	RB/DB
2	Jakobie Boatright	11	QB/DB
3	Zach Cowart	10	QB/DB/H
5	Greg Purcell	12	LB/RB
6	Harvey Washington	10	RB/DB
7	Taiwan Daughtry	12	TE/LB/RB
8	Caleb Pressey	12	QB/K/S
9	Zavier Robinson	12	RB/DE
10	Dez Gatson	11	WR/DB
11	Tyler Cannady	9	WR/DB
12	Willie Worthen	10	TE/DE
13	Logan Fuller	10	WR/DB
15	Renato Camarillo	12	RB/DL
16	Ronnie Gordon	10	TE/DE
17	Kenny Butler	11	R/DB
20	Kinton Raymond	9	RB/DB
21	Caleb Lindsey	9	WR/DB
23	Raymond Boatright	11	RB/DB
24	Renaldo Williams	12	RB/DB/KR
25	Des Williams	10	OL/DE

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28	Quin Coleman	10	RB/DB
34	Michael Sutton	10	RB/LB
35	Keith Sapp	11	TE/DE
36	Michael Brantley	11	DE/TE
44	Michael Walker	10	RB/LB
45	Troy Randall	11	TE/DE
50	Timmy Cook	10	OL/LB
51	Micah Williams	11	OL/DL
52	Morgan Elliot	11	OL/DL
53	T.J.Hackle	11	OL/DL
55	Devarious Bell	10	OL/DL
58	Colorado Gearheart	10	OL/DL
59	Ethan Proctor	11	OL/DL
60	Boulder Brown	10	OL/DL
61	Jarret Henry	11	OL/DL
62	Mitchell Cowart	10	OL/DL
63	Jason Burke	10	OL/DL
64	Tray Lanier	10	OL/DL
65	Gunnar Brown	12	OL/DL
68	Austin Grimes	9	OL/DL
69	Willie Johnson	9	WR/DB
71	Jarrod Downer	10	OL/DL/LS
72	Cody Barwick	11	DL/K
73	Britt Todd	11	OL/DL
74	Zach Thompson	10	OL/DL
76	Timmy Hills	11	OL/DL
78	Zack Bright	12	OL/DL
79	Marquavius Akins	9	OL/DL
80	Devonte'Peterson	10	WR/DB
83	Nathan Henry	11	WR/DB
85	Josh Black	10	WR/DB
88	Schuyler Johnson	10	WR/DE

Darius McCullough 11 WR/DB

**Head Coach:** Jimmy Hughes Assistant Coaches: Shelton Felton • Cecil Lester • Kenneth Kellogg Towandi King • Brian Anderson • Al Jones **Jamaal Zanders** 

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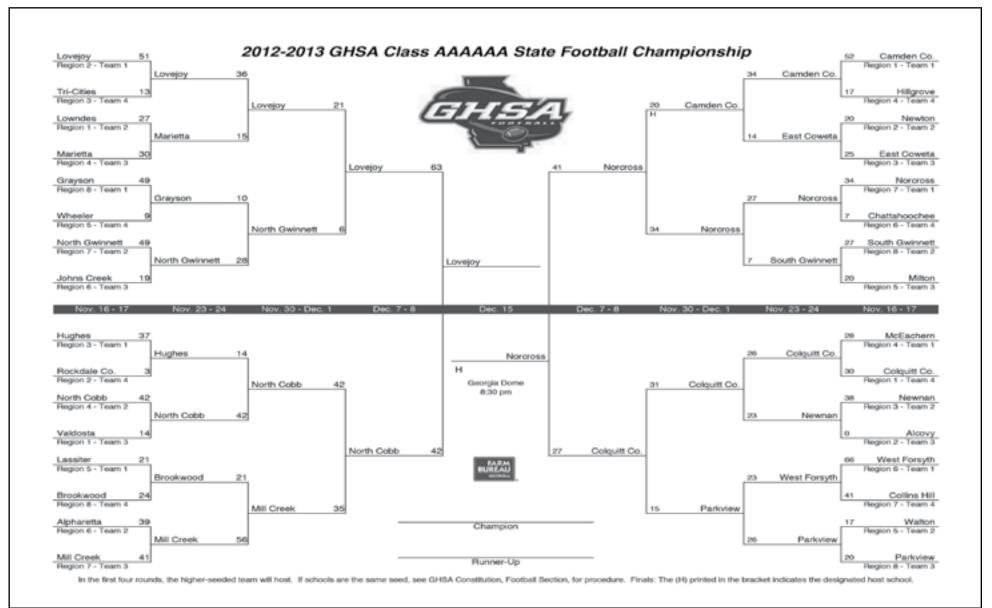
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**Head Coach:** Chris Kearson Assistant Coaches: Dewayne Tabor • Chad Harper • Adam Robertson **Brooks Collins • Cedric Johnson • Heath Simmons** Ali Clark • John Hodges • Kristin Quinn

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## **STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS**







## **GHSA FALL STATE CHAMPIONS**









#### **CHEERLEADING**

AAAAAA - Lambert
AAAAA - Houston County
AAAA - Veterans
AAA - Pierce County
AA - Coosa
A Private - Mt. Paran Christian
A Public - Trion
COED - Ola

#### **SOFTBALL**

AAAAAA – Archer AAAAA – Union Grove AAAA – NW Whitfield AAA – Buford AA – Dade County A Private – Mt. Pisgah A Public – Gordon Lee

#### VOLLEYBALL

AAAAAA – Walton AAAAA – Whitewater AAAA – Sandy Creek AAA – Blessed Trinity AA – Lovett A – Landmark Christian

#### **ONE-ACT PLAYS**

Class AAAAAA – Milton High School – "Mother Hicks"
Class AAAAA – Northside WR High School – "Jekyll & Hyde"
Class AAAA – Columbus High School – "A Piece of My Heart"
Class AAA – Rockmart High School - "When You Comin' Back, Red Ryder"
Class AA – Bremen High School - "The Diviners"

Class A Private – Mt. Paran Christian School – "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" Class A Public – DeKalb School of the Arts – "The Good Doctor"

#### **CROSS COUNTRY - BOYS**

AAAAAA - Mill Creek Josh Brickell - Peachtree Ridge 15:55.32 AAAAA - McIntosh Brad Hort - McIntosh 16:22.64

AAAA - Marist

Michael Thurston - Marist 16:12.72

AAA - St. Pius X

Austin Sprague - St. Pius X 16:26.29

AA - Westminster

Chris Akins - Model 17:07.98

A Private - Athens Academy

Reilly Friedman - The Galloway School 15:50.45 A Public - Georgia Military College Bryton Wenzel - Baconton 17:34.66

#### **CROSS COUNTRY - GIRLS**

AAAAAA - Brookwood Allie Buchalski - Johns Creek 18:46.23

AAAAA - Dunwoody

Alex Cameron - Dunwoody 19:49.96

AAAA - Marist

Morgan Ilse - Marist 19:16.48

AAA - St. Pius X

Jenna Gearing - White County 19:34.95
AA - Weslevan

Emma Garrison - Union County 19:56.28 A Private – Landmark Christian

Kathryn Foreman - Landmark Christian 18:18.07

A Public – Towns County

Ansley Vardeman - Towns County 21:34.37

## GACA HALL OF FAME

The Georgia Athletic Coaches Association was established in 1938 for the advancement of athletics in Georgia and is dedicated to high school coaches in the State of Georgia. The association established the Georgia Athletic Coaches Association's Hall of Fame in the year 2000, with the purpose of honoring and preserving high school coaches' accomplishments and to educate and inspire future generations.

The Northwest Georgia Trade and Convention Center in Dalton has been recognized by the Georgia House of Representatives, the Mayor and Council of the City of Dalton and the Whitfield County Board of Commissioners as the official and permanent site for the Georgia Athletic Coaches Hall of Fame. The Georgia High School Association has also endorsed the GACA Hall of Fame as the official Georgia High School Coaches Hall of Fame.

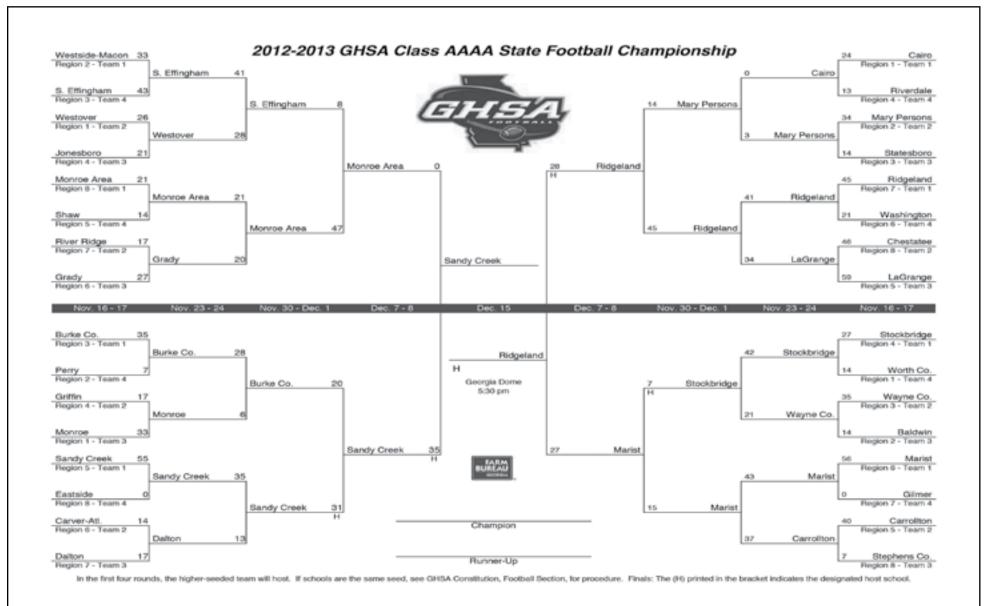
Annually, there is a Georgia Athletic Coaches Association Hall of Fame reception, awards banquet and golf tournament. During the Hall of Fame banquet, inductees and their families are honored.

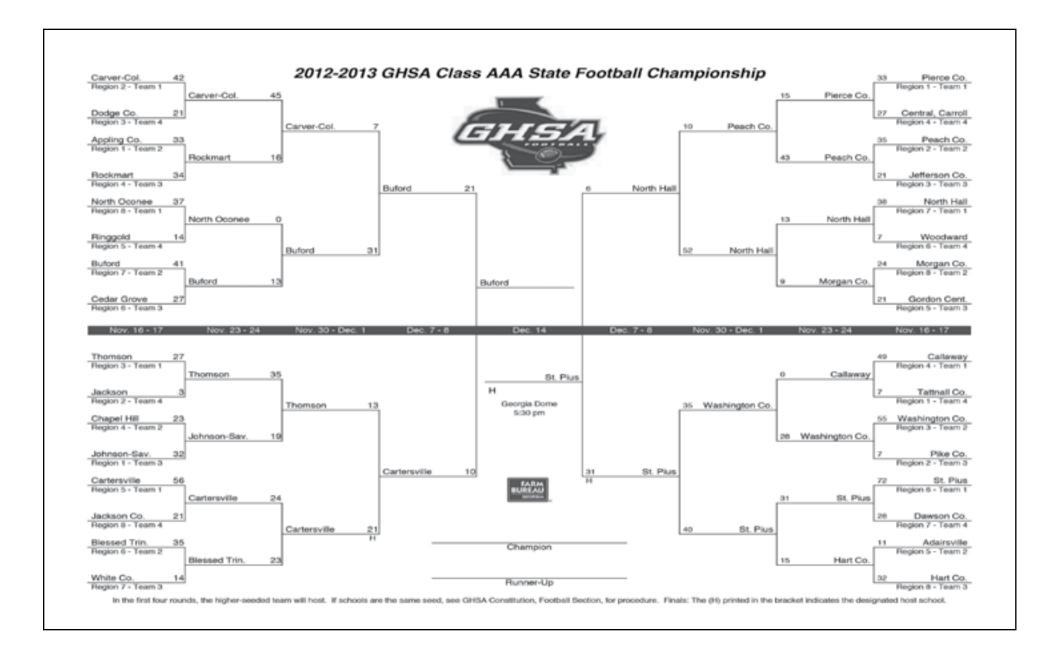
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Wright Bazemore	Football	Nick Hyder	Football	Herman Hudson	Golf	Ron Bradley	Basketball
D.B. Carroll	Basketball	Jack Keen	Track	Marcia Ward	Volleyball	Ron Bell	Basketball
Al Carson	Basketball	Dwight Keith	Founder	Bobby Gruhn	Football	Willie Johnson	Track
Glenn Cassell	Basketball	Paul Koshewa	Track	Oliver Hunnicutt	Football		
Bill Chappell	Football	Ray Lamb	Football	Ken Ross	Basketball	Class	of 2012
Wayman Creel	Football	Harry Lloyd	Baseball	Jerry Sharp	Football	Luther Welsh	Football
Charlie Davidson	Football	Dan Pitts	Football	Cook Holliday	Track	Alvin Copeland	Basketball
R.L. "Shorty" Doyal	Football	Harold Lee Scott	Basketball	Jim Hughes	Football	Emmett Bowers	Golf
Jerry Frasier	Track	Dick Shrewsbury	Basketball	George Maloof	Football	Mike Hodges	Football
Robert Gentry	Football	Johnny Stallings	Wrestling	Calvin Jones	Basketball		
Forrest Gilbreath	Baseball	Eric Staples	Basketball	Larry Gaither	Golf	Class	of 2013
Lawrence Graves	Track	Bud Theodocion	Baseball	Graham Woodell	Basketball	Charles Winslett	Football
Charlie Grisham	Football	Hayden Wagers	Golf	Robert Davis	Football	Leslie Baker	Football
Brian Hage	Wrestling	Les Williams	Golf	George Eanes	Basketball	Billy Peek	Golf
Billy Hall	Track	Buck Buchanan	Baseball	Roscoe Googe	Track	Chuck Miller	Basketball
John Hawkins	Basketball	J.B. Bearden	Basketball	Charlie Hood	Basketball	Joe Williams	Basketball
William "Billy" Henderson	Football	Charlie Horne	Football	Weyman Sellers	Football	Bill Holleman	Soccer
Jimmy Hightower	Football	Milt Miller	Football	Bob Griffith	Football		
Graham Hixon Jr.	Football	Arthur Mott	Football	Dale Williams	Football		
Terry Holder	Baseball	Harry Ward	Track	John Hill	Football		



### **STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS**







## GEMC COOPERATIVE SPIRIT SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

Georgia High School Association (GHSA) and Georgia Electric Membership Corporation (GEMC) have named the 37 GHSA-member high schools to receive the 2012 GEMC Cooperative Spirit Sportsmanship Award, honoring exemplary sportsmanship demonstrated during the 2011-12 school year.

"We congratulate these high schools for their outstanding sportsmanship," said Dr. Ralph Swearngin, GHSA Executive Director. "School-based athletics should be an extension of the classroom in providing lessons that last for the student's lifetime. Sportsmanship is really nothing more than good citizenship expressed in athletic events, and that is an important life lesson."

Sponsored by GHSA and Georgia's EMCs, the Cooperative Spirit Sportsmanship Awards program was introduced in 2006 to honor GHSA member schools that exhibit outstanding sportsmanship. The awards program is designed to promote sportsmanship by honoring those who do it well, reinforcing GHSA's philosophy: "Student athletes, coaches, spectators, and all others associated with high school activities programs should adhere to the fundamental values of respect, fairness, honesty and responsibility."

The program honors student athletes along with fellow students, school staff, parents and game spectators, making the award not only a school, but also a community honor.

The Cooperative Spirit Sportsmanship Awards are presented annually to GHSA member high schools in the 40 regions in all five classifications. Region GHSA secretaries select winners based on sportsmanship demonstrated during the year.

Representatives from the EMCs have presented sportsmanship trophies to winning high schools within their service territories at presentations during fall athletic events.

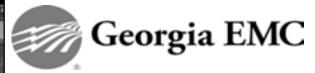
A voluntary organization composed of more than 400 public and private high schools, the Georgia High School Association strives to promote good sportsmanship and a cooperative spirit among its member schools.

Georgia EMC is a statewide trade organization representing the state's 42 EMCs, Oglethorpe Power Corporation and Georgia Transmission Corporation. Through a statewide network, Georgia's EMCs provide electricity and related services to four million people, nearly half of Georgia's population, across 73 percent of the state's land area. Georgia's 42 electric membership cooperatives serve more customers than any other state network of EMCs in the nation.

#### **GHSA SPORTSMANSHIP STATEMENT**

"The GHSA and its member schools have made a commitment to promote good sportsmanship by student/athletes, coaches, and spectators at all GHSA sanctioned events. Profanity, degrading remarks, and intimidating actions directed at officials or competitors will not be tolerated and are grounds for removal from the event site. Spectators are not allowed to enter the competition area during warmups or while the contest is being conducted. Thank you for your cooperation in the promotion of good sportsmanship at today's event."









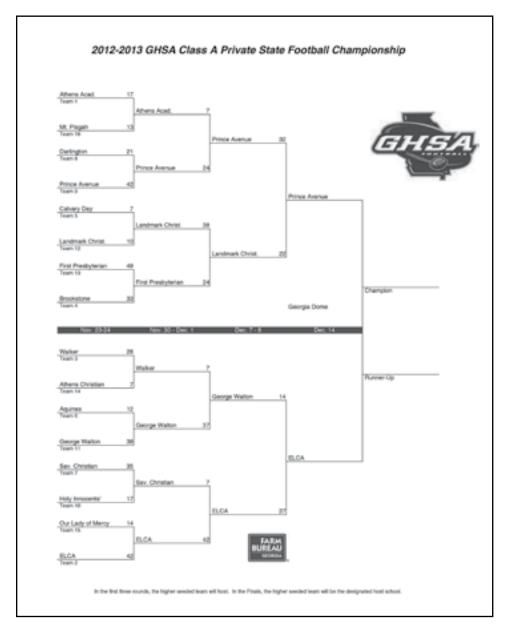
Dr. Dusty Kornegay, Superintendent, Thomas County Schools, next is Ken Harper, Principal, Thomas County Central High School, and Todd Gibbs, Grady EMC employee whose son, Connor, is a starting offensive lineman.

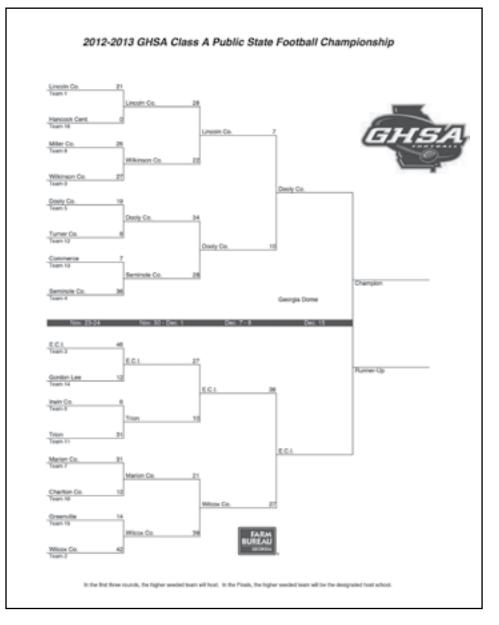
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1-AAAA	Lowndes High School
3-AAAA	Windsor Forest High School
4-AAAA	A Kennesaw Mountain High School
5-AAAA	Cherokee High School
6-AAAA	North Forsyth High School
7-AAAA	Duluth High School
8-AAAA	A Berkmar High School
1-AAAA	<b>Thomas County Central High School</b>
2-AAAA	Richmond Hill High School
3-AAAA	Ola High School
5-AAAA	Pope High School
6-AAAA	Marist School
7-AAAA	South Forsyth High School
8-AAAA	Winder-Barrow High School
1-AAA	Monroe High School, Albany
2-AAA	Perry High School
3-AAA	Cross Creek High School
4-AAA	Sandy Creek High School
5-AAA	St. Pius X School
6-AAA	Central-Carroll High School
7-AAA	Gilmer High School
1-AA	Thomasville High School
2-AA	McIntosh County Academy
3-AA	Southeast Bulloch High School
4-AA	Northeast High School, Macon
5-AA	<b>Heard County High School</b>
6-AA	Blessed Trinity School
7-AA	Armuchee High School
8-AA	Dawson County High School
1-A	Seminole County High School
2-A	<b>Charlton County High School</b>
3-A	Portal High School
5-A	<b>Providence Christian School</b>
6-A	Mt. Zion High School, Carrollton
7-A	Glascock County High School
8-A	Tallulah Falls High School
9-A	Strong Rock Christian School



## STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS









## PAST STATE CHAMPIONS

YEAR	AAAA	AAAA	AAA	AA	Α	В	C
1947	-	-	-	Lanier	-	-	-
1948	-		-	Lanier	Fitzgerald	West Point	Fort Valley
1949			-	Brown	Decatur	Adel	Quitman
1950		-	-	Decatur	Rockmart	West Point	Quitman
1951	•	- 4	-	Richmond Acad.	Valdosta	Cordele	Forest Park
1952	•	- (6)	-	Murphy	Valdosta	Loganville	Calhoun
1953	•	The state of	-	Grady	Valdosta	Model	Hawkinsville
1954	•	- Comments		Rossville	Jesup	Model	Hawkinsville
1955	-	100	-	TIE-Rossville/	Athens	Morgan County	Monticello
				LaGrange			
1956		п	Richmond Acad.	Valdosta	TIE-Carrollton/	Morgan County	Monticello
		TIONS		100	Statesboro		
1957		/ Dio	Northside, Atl.	Valdosta	Statesboro	Trion	Waynesboro
1958	100		LaGrange	TIE-Avondale/	Stephens County	Morgan County	West Point
				Thomasville			
1959	-		Albany	Wayne County	Dublin	Morgan County	Hawkinsville
1960	- //		Valdosta	Waycross	Dublin	Washington-Wilkes	Lincolnton
1961	-		Valdosta	Waycross	Carrollton	Fort Valley	Coosa
1962			Valdosta	Rossville	Americus	Morgan County	Lincolnton
1963			Avondale	Cedartown	Dublin	Washington-Wilkes	Lincolnton
1964			Glynn Academy	Douglas County	Carrollton	Blakely Bradwall Institute	Davis
1965	-		Valdosta	West Rome	Americus	Bradwell Institute	Warren County
1966	-	A CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF TH	Valdosta Marietta	North Fulton	Statesboro	Washington-Wilkes	Warren County
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1968		1	Valdosta	St. Pius X	Thomson	Roswell	Warren County
1969	-		TIE-Athens/ Valdosta	North Springs	Coosa	Vidalia	Sav. Co. Day
1970			valdosta Lakeside	Woodward Acad.	Roswell	Lovett	Mt. de Sales
1970	100		Valdosta	Westminster	Carrollton	Bowdon	Mt. de Sales
1971			Lakeside	Southwest DeKalb	Carrollton	Southeast Bulloch	ue Saies
1972	////		Thomasville	Southwest Atlanta	Mt. de Sales	Southeast Bulloch	-
1974			Thomasville	Americus	Carrollton	Trion	_
1975			Central, Macon	Americus	Irwin County	Lyons	_
1976			Warner Robins	Avondale	Turner County	Lincoln County	
1977			Clarke Central	Waycross	East Rome	Lincoln County	-
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1981	•	Warner Robins	Waycross	Commerce	Douglass, Montezuma	- 100	ALCOHOL: MICHAEL MANAGEMENT
1982		Valdosta	Bainbridge	West Rome	Palmetto		
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1984	-	Valdosta	Thomson	West Rome	Greenville	-	ETS
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1986	•	Valdosta	Villa Rica	Central, Carrollton	Lincoln County	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	13
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1988	•	Warner Robins	Thomasville	R.E. Lee	Clinch County	- 1 1 1	1
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1992	•	Valdosta	Thomas Co. Cntrl.	Mitchell-Baker	Bowdon		1200000
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1995	•	SW DeKalb	Josey	Elbert County	Lincoln County	Market Market	450
1996	•	Brookwood	Thomas Co. Cntrl.	Washington Co.	Macon County	19	The State of
1997 1998	-	Parkview Valdosta	Thomas Co. Cntrl.	Washington Co. Carrollton	Manchester		
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2002	Camden Co.	Marist	LaGrange	Buford	Hawkinsville	160	4
2004	Lowndes	Warner Robins	LaGrange	Charlton County	TIE-Hawkinsville/		
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2005	Lowndes	Statesboro	Peach County	Charlton County	Lincoln County	- Property and the second	
2006	TIE-P'tree Ridge/	Northside WR	Peach County	TIE-Charlton Co./	Lincoln County	1	
	Roswell			Dublin			
2007	Lowndes	Northside WR	Carver, Columbus	Buford	Emanuel Co. Inst.	-/-	TALK THE
2008	Camden County	Tucker	Cairo	Buford	Wesleyan		
2009	Camden County	Sandy Creek	Peach County	Buford	Wilcox County	A SECTION ASSESSMENT	
2010	Brookwood	Chattahoochee	Sandy Creek	Buford	Clinch County	- 100 May 1994	
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2010	Grayson	Tucker	Burke County	Calhoun	Savannah Christian	4-007 NORTH 1	1000

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