

LT

73 Dalton COOPER
6-6 320 – SOPH (Prague, OK)
Today: 32nd straight start

76 Kylar COOKS
6-4 305 – Junior (Texarkana, TX)

LG

61 Evan LOVELL
6-3 325 – Junior (Thomaston, CT)


72 Alex COSTILLA
6-4 310 – Junior (San Marcos HS)

C

75 Silas ROBINSON
6-4 320 – Junior (Yoakum, TX)
Today: 3rd straight start

66 Russell BAKER
6-4 315 – Senior (Owasso, OK)
27 career starts

RG

60 Kyle HERGEL 
6-2 305 – Junior (Toronto, Canada)
Today: 20th straight start

79 Jaydan SMITH
6-4 300 – Junior (Hays HS)

RT

74 Richard WEST
6-5 300 – Senior (San Antonio, TX)
Didn't play football until JR year of HS

55 Trenton SCOTT
6-6 305 – RS Fr (Luling, TX)

TE

86 Titus LYONS
6-3 230 – RS Fr (Pottsboro, TX)
2 catches/each last two games (24 yard catch set-up Lincoln Pare TD)

41 Tyler HUFF
6-2 250 – Senior (California)
Spent 4 years in Navy before playing JUCO football in California

WR

18 Marcell BARBEE Needs 2 catches for 100 in his career
6-1 195 – Senior (Pueblo, CO)
Season: +100 yds 1x (HCU)...+12 yds/catch...1 TD (HCU)
Career: 98 catches...1,332 yards (LG: 43)...16 TD (T-5th)
Comes from single-parent household, very close to Mom who works at a diner back in Pueblo, CO

13 Charles BROWN
5-11 170 – RS Fr (Grand Prairie, TX)
Season: Averaging +13 yds/catch (LG: 67)...3 TD

SWT
SWT ERA

School known as Southwest Texas from 1969 until 2003 Bill Miller was the first coach in the SWT era, won 86 games in his 14 seasons (victory ball in his honor)
Succeeding Bill Miller: Jim Wacker...42-8 in 4 seasons, highlighted by back-to-back D-II titles ('81 & '82)

HALFTIME
Led at halftime in all 3 home games this season (Won all three of those games)
Trailed at the half in all 4 of their games on road (Lost all 4 of those games)

QB

3 Layne HATCHER +200 yds passing last week (0 INT)
6-0 210 – Junior (Little Rock, AR)
Season: 2nd SBC completions, 14 TD passes (3rd SBC)
7 INT are T-2nd most SBC (just 12th in pass efficiency)
6 completions this year of 40 yards or more
+300 yds passing just once (Houston Christian)

12 C.J. ROGERS
6-3 200 – RS Fr (Argyle, TX)
Just 1 year as a starter in HS...that year (Argyle HS) went 16-0 and won a State Title (48 TD that year, just 4 INT)

HEAD COACH – Jake Spavital (4th Season: 12-31)
Overall: 3-4 (Lost 1)...SBC: 1-2 (T-4th West)...Home: 3-0
Serves as his own offensive coordinator
Turned 36 years old on May 1st (one of youngest head coaches in FBS)
20th Head Coach in program history (3rd in TXST's time in the FBS)
Previously: Offensive Coordinator @ West Virginia, TX A&M and Cal

TEXAS STATE OFFENSE

RUSHING: 2nd Worst Sun Belt
As a team: averaging less 3 yds per carry

TOTAL OFF: 12th in Sun Belt
All 4 losses: held to under 300 yds

SCORING: 22.7 PPG (3rd lowest SBC)
Wins: 37.0 PPG | Losses: 12.0 PPG

3RD DOWNS: 39% (8th Sun Belt)
5-for-15 on 3rd down last week

4TH DOWNS: 4-for-12
3 of those 4 conversions: HCU

TURNOVERS: 13
Better recently: 0 TOs in last 21 possessions

RED ZONE: 12 TD in 20 Trips (1 TO)
Scored in 25 of last 27 trips to RZ (w/17 TD)

SACKS: 15 (None last week)

WR

1 Javen BANKS 7 career TD plays of +50 yds
6-1 175 – Senior (Wichita Falls, TX)
Season: Just 11 catches...+18 yds/catch...1 TD (FIU)
Top 10 in program history in receiving yards, TD receptions & yds per catch (+16 yds/catch)
1 of 7 players left from 2018 recruiting class

19 Dennis ROBINSON
6-5 220 – Senior (Hollywood, FL)
Just 1 catch all season (none in the last 6 games)
Didn't play a lot of football growing up (hoops)

STORYLINES
Coming off 17-14 loss to Troy despite not turning the ball over...also didn't allow a single sack to Troy
Had a hard time generating a lot of offense:
5 three-and-outs (including a 3-and-out on final poss)

AT STAKE
Looking for first 4-0 start at home since 2005
Also looking to avoid first losing streak of the season

WR

0 Rontavious GROVES Still looking first TD at TXST
6-0 185 – Senior (Nashville, TN)
Season: Just 9 catches (been limited due to injury)
3 seasons at North Carolina (as a freshman though, suffered season-ending knee injury)

5 Demarcus GREGORY Very good friends w/DK Metcalf (Teammates at Ole Miss)
6-2 205 – Junior (Duncan, SC)
Season: Just 3 catches for 23 yards (0 TD)
Staff reached out to him after entered portal, flew in next day & committed almost on spot

RB

22 Lincoln PARRY 138 total yds last week
Both TDs (including 64 yd)
5-9 195 – SOPH (Germantown, TN)
Team's leading rusher (+4 yds/carry)...3 total TD
Over 900 yds rushing in two seasons at Arkansas State (final game: vs TXST)

28 Jahmyl JETER Last year: team high 8 rush TD
6-0 225 – Junior (SA Brennan)
Season: Just 90 yards rushing (1 TD – JMU)
Dad: La'Troy "Hoppy" Jeter, passed away at age of 59 during middle of last season

RB

11 Calvin HILL Career: 1,600 yards, 10 TD
5-8 185 – SOPH (Baytown, TX)
2nd leading rusher (Pare)...4 ½ ypc...1 TD (FIU)
Wears 11 in honor of his father, tattoos honoring brother and best friend

20 Josh BERRY
5-11 195 – SOPH (Haines City, FL)
Season: Just 10 carries (8 game at Baylor)

WR

2 Ashtyn HAWKINS 6 catches last week (held w/o TD)
5-10 170 – SOPH (Mansfield, TX)
Season: 49 catches (7th FBS)...6 TD (13th FBS)
Program record 13 catches at Baylor (Sep 17)

17 Julian ORTEGA-JONES
6-2 200 – Junior (Ft. Worth, TX)
Season: 15 catches...10 yds/catch...1 TD (HCU)

Punter - 99 Shaymus O'KELLY (JR): Season high 9 punts week...3rd in SBC in punting (+43 yds/punt)
From Melbourne, Australia...Hon Mention All-SBC in 2020...Attended Pro-Kick Academy

PK - 6 Seth KELLER (JR) Preseason 1st Team All-SBC FG: 29-of-34...LG: 48...PAT: 1 career miss
KICKOFFS - 36 Mason SHIPLEY Season: 6-of-7 kicking FG (only miss: blocked FG at Baylor)

DS - 46 Durham HARRIS Holder - 99 Shaymus O'KELLY

DE

91
1st Year TR
Texas Tech

Nelson MBANASOR
6-3 270 – Senior (Pflugerville, TX)
Just 1 sack this season (vs HCU)
Spent 5 seasons at Texas Tech
Dealt w/lot injuries during time in Lubbock

99
1st Year TR
Texas

Myron WARREN
6-2 270 – SOPH (Manny, LA)
3 seasons at Texas
(3 games last year for the Longhorns)

TEXAS STATE SCHEDULE

Sep 3	@ Nevada (L 38-14)
Sep 10	Vs FIU (W 41-12)
Sep 17	@ 17 Baylor (L 42-7)
Sep 24	Vs HCU (W 34-0)
Oct 1	@ JMU** (L 40-13)
Oct 8	Vs App State** (W 36-24)
Oct 15	@ Troy** (L 17-14)
Oct 22	Vs Southern Miss*
BYE	BYE WEEK
Nov 5	@ ULM**
Nov 12	@ South Alabama**
Nov 19	Vs Arkansas State*
Nov 26	Vs Louisiana**

**Sun Belt Conference

Defensive Coordinator:
Zac Spavital (4th Season)**NT**

95
Sack in 2
straight gms

Nico EZA-DOOR 176 tackles...22.5 TFL
7.5 sacks
6-2 285 – Junior (Garland, TX)
2 years ago: 3rd Team All-SBC
(13 TFL that season & 3.5 sacks)

40
1st Year TR
Memphis

Kajuan ROBINSON
6-3 320 – SOPH (Bryant, AR)
Played in close to 80 snaps in his final
season at Memphis last year
Played basketball most of his life, didn't
switch to football/soph yr HS

TEXAS STATE DEFENSE**RUSHING: Under 50 yds/game (home)**
Held App State to 41 yds rushing**TOTAL DEFENSE: 7th in Sun Belt**
Have allowed +400 yds in 3 straight games**SCORING: 24.7 PPG (7th Sun Belt)**
Gave up 33 PPG last year**SACKS: 16 (5th most FBS era)**
Just 18 sacks all of last year (last SBC)**TURNOVERS: 12 (Last year: 11)**
At least 1 TO forced 6 straight games**RED ZONE: 16th best FBS**
Just 3 pass TD allowed in last 23 trips**DT**

54
1 of 3 FBS
40+ tack
5+ sacks

Levi BELL
6-1 275 – Junior (Cedar Park, TX)
Season: 40 tackles...9 TFL (3rd SBC)...5 sacks (4th)
At his 4th stop now: started career at NAIA
school...JUCO...then LA Tech...now TXST

96
2nd Year TR
Ellsworth CC

Davon SEARS
6-2 290 – SOPH (Detroit, MI)
Season: 1 sack (came against FIU), also 2.5 TFL

OLB

8
Last 4 games
27 tack, 5 TFL
2 ½ sacks

Jordan REVELS 160 tackles...20 TFL...6.5 sacks
5-11 235 – Junior (Houston, TX)
Season: 2nd on team in TFL, also has 3.5 sacks
Honorable Mention All-SBC last season
(posted career highs in tackles & TFL)

33
1st Year TR
LA Tech

Ben BELL
6-2 225 – SOPH (Cedar Park, TX)
Season: 17 tack...3 TFL...2 sacks...FF @ Baylor

MIKE LB

27
32 tackles
last 3 games

London HARRIS
6-2 225 – Junior (Manvel HS)
Been w/program since 2017...Today: 51st game
(only Sione Tupou played in more)
Already married, wife is former TXST cheerleader

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TXST National SAAC Rep

Josh EMMANUEL (Student Academic Advisory Council)
6-1 225 – SOPH (Dallas, TX)
Twin brother John...lost mom senior year of HS

WEAK LB

55
Polynesian
Player/Yr
Watchlist

Sione TUPOU 45 games, +3,000 snaps
5-11 240 – Senior (Allen HS)
Season: 2nd team in tackles...INT (Baylor), FR
7th year playing CFB...53 games, +2,700 snaps
+180 tackles in 2+ seasons at TXST

37
1st Year TR
SMU

Brian HOLLOWAY
6-0 225 – Junior (League City, TX)
15 tackles over the last 3 games (25 season)
26 games in 3 seasons at SMU

NICKEL

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Jarron MORRIS 7 INT (last: 2020 at GASO)
5-9 170 – Junior (Orange, TX)
Season: 35 tackles...2 PBU...0 INT (last: 2020)
Before the injury last year:
2nd team All-SBC (2020)...4 INT that season

4
1st Year TR
Miss Gulf
Coast CC

Alonzo EDWARDS JR
5-11 190 – SOPH (Madison, MS)
Season: 19 tackles, had a FF at Baylor
Works hard in classroom, trying to keep up
w/Mom (realtor) & Dad (mortgage company)

CB

7
2nd Year TR
Missouri

Chris MILLS
5-11 175 – Junior (Judson HS)
Season: 0 INT (still looking for first at TXST)
Transferred out of Missouri 2 years ago, wanted to
be closer/home (Dad: ex-military)

4
1st Year TR
Miss Gulf
Coast CC

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5-11 190 – SOPH (Madison, MS)
Season: 19 tackles, had a FF at Baylor
Works hard in classroom, trying to keep up w/Mom
(realtor) & Dad (mortgage company)

STRONG SAFETY

12
SBC Def POTW
App State
12 tack, INT

Tory SPEARS +120 tackles, 1 INT (App St)
6-3 200 – Junior (Houston, TX)
Season: 35 tackles (26 last 3 games)
Dad is former NFL vet Marcus Spears

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Jarron MORRIS 45 games, +3,000 snaps
7 INT (last: 2020 at GASO)
5-9 170 – Junior (Orange, TX)
Season: 35 tackles...2 PBU...0 INT (last: 2020)
Before the injury last year:
2nd team All-SBC (2020)...4 INT that season

FREE SAFETY

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DeJordan MASK 120 tackles, 10 PBU, 2 INT
5-11 190 – Junior (Texarkana, TX)
Season: 26 tackles...2 PBU...1 INT (Troy)
Staff: pound-for-pound best athlete on team

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Kevin ANDERSON
6-1 195 – Junior (Lewisville, TX)
A part of Spavital's 1st recruiting class in 2019
2 years ago: 5th leading tackler on team

CB

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Kordell ROGERS 49 games, +150 tackles
25 PBU...7 INT
5-11 175 – Senior (Lufkin, TX)
Season: 4 INT (T-4th Most FBS)
Last Bobcat with 5 INT: David Mims (2014)

15
3rd Year TR
Navarro JC

Rodrick HOCKLEY
6-0 170 – Junior (Galveston, TX)
Makes and sells his own pickles

PUNT RETURN**0 Rontavious GROVES**
+10 yds per return (LG: 30)
Last TXST Punt Return TD: Jeremiah Haydel (2020)**KICK RETURN****6 Donovan MOORER**
+20 yds per return (LG: 29)
Last TXST KO return TD: Jeremiah Haydel (2020)**KICK RETURN****22 Lincoln PARRY**
1 return this season (2 yards)