

LT

52 Trenton SCOTT
6-6 335 – SOPH (Luling, TX)
TODAY: 7th straight start

78 Nash JONES
6-5 310 – Junior (Nacogdoches, TX)
3x ALL-CONF at UIW

LG

64 Dorion STRAWN
6-6 320 – SOPH (Ennis, TX)
STARTED ALL 8 games at RG

65 Emeka OH-BEEBO
6-5 365 – SOPH (Arlington, TX)

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74 Caleb JOHNSON
6-6 330 – Senior (Mt. Pleasant, TX)
LAST YEAR: 2nd Team All-American

77 Chayse TODD
6-2 305 – Junior (Crosby, TX)
1 start in 4 yrs @ UH

RG

70 Brey WALKER
6-7 350 – Senior (Moore, OK)
5-STAR RECRUIT coming out of HS

56 Marcus ALEXANDER
6-4 325 – Junior (Sunnyvale, TX)

RT

73 Jimeto OH-BEEBO
6-4 330 – Junior (Arlington, TX)
LAST YEAR: 2nd Tm All-Conference

71 Alex HARKEY
6-6 325 – SOPH (Austin, TX – Hays HS)

TE

9 Konner FOX
6-4 250 – Junior (SA Reagan HS)
BACK LAST WEEK missed prev 5 games
PRIMARYLY blocking TE at K-State

86 Titus LYONS
6-3 235 – SOPH (Pottsboro, TX)
3 CATCHES this season (6 last year)
Still looking for first career TD

WR

1 Ashtyn HAWKINS SEASON: 2 TD | LONG: 43
5-10 170 – Junior (Mansfield, TX)
121 CATCHES (Most TXST's FBS era), 1,323 yards & 10 TD
LAST WEEK vs TROY: Scored TXST's only TD of game
LAST SEASON 7 TD catches - 8th most TXST history

18 Drew DONLEY SEASON: 1 TD | LONG: 42
6-2 180 – SOPH (Frisco, TX)
HELD W/O CATCH in four straight games
1 TD CATCH (came month ago/Jackson St)
DAD, DOUG: 2nd RD pick 1981 (DAL)...5 yrs/NFL

	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	TOT
TXST	83	92	41	65	281
OPP	42	56	48	84	230

SCORE BY QTR

STORYLINES
Win today: bowl eligible for first time since 2014
Looking to beat a team w/winning record in Nov/2014
Have not beaten GASO since joining SBC (0-5 vs Eagles)
GJ Kinne has NEVER lost back-to-back games (UIW/TXST)

QB

7 T.J. FINLEY SEASON: 15 TD | 5 INT
6-7 255 – SOPH (Ponchatoula, LA)
LAST TWO GAMES averaging less 6 yards per pass att
JUST 1 INT FIRST 5 GAMES thrown 4 in last 3 starts
ON PACE TO BREAK single season record for pass yds
TONIGHT: 20TH CAREER START (11 of those: SEC)

4 Malik HORNSBY
6-2 190 – Junior (Missouri City, TX)
CARRIED BALL 16x scored 4 TD (avg'g over 9 yards/car)
COMING OUT OF HS: 5th rated dual-threat QB country

HEAD COACH – G.J. KINNE (1st Season – 2nd Overall: 17-5)
Overall: 5-3 (Lost 1)...SBC: 2-2 (3-way tie 2nd West)

Finalist for Eddie Robinson Award last year (Top Coach in FCS)
Texas HS Football product (Gilmer HS)...3-year starter at University/Tulsa
5-year playing career in pro football before getting/coaching
Mentors over the years: Doug Pederson, Chip Kelly, Gus Malzahn

OFFENSIVE STORYLINES

84 YARD TD DRIVE opening drive gm last wk
RED ZONE ISSUES: Just 4 TD last 13 trips
BALL SECURITY: Season high 4 TOs last week
LAST 3 GAMES: 14 drives of 9 plays or more
BIG PLAYS: 0 plays of +30 yds last 2 games

KEY OFFENSIVE STATS/RANKS

POINTS	35.1 PPG (Leads SBC) (Last 2 games: 34 pts TOTAL)
RUSHING	+200 YDS/GM (Top 20 rush offense nation)
1 ST DOWNS	NEARLY 200 1 ST DOWNS (12 th most in nation)
TURNOVERS	16 TURNOVERS (Last 2 games: -5 in Margin)

OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR
Mack Leftwich (1st Season) – 28 yrs old
UIW Offense last year: +50 PPG

TXST

WR

3 Beau CORRALES
6-4 215 – Senior (Georgetown, TX)
MISSED FIRST 7 GAMES (Missed most last 2 seasons)
THIS YR: 7th in CFB (5 years @ UNC...SMU last year)
CAREER: 87 catches, +1,200 yards & 12 TD

5 Sean SHAW JR SEASON: 0 TD | LONG: 43
6-6 210 – Senior (Richmond, TX)
HELD TO JUST 1 catch last week vs Troy
THIS SEASON: 6th in college football
CAREER: 69 catches, 747 yards, 9 TD

3RD DOWNS
SEASON: 4th best in SBC on 3rd down (44%)
LAST WEEK: Struggled (just 5-of-14)
3RD AND 9 (longer): Just 5-for-23 (22%)

DRIVE INFO
MOST PLAYS: 17 (vs ULM)
MOST YARDS: 92 (vs LA)
MOST TIME: 6:04 (vs ULM)

WR

2 Kole WILSON SEASON: 4 TD | LONG: 77
5-9 165 – SOPH (Katy, TX)
TEAM HIGH 8 CATCHES for over 70 yards vs Troy
NICE STRETCH RECENTLY 20 catches over last 3 games
LAST YEAR: Fresh All-Amer at UIW (2 PR TDs)

16 Chris DAWN JR
5-7 160 – True Fr (Dallas, TX)
1 CATCH all season (13 yards vs Jackson State)
ONE OF GJ KINNE's first signees when he took over

RB

21 Ismail MAHDI SEASON: 8 TD | LONG: 65
5-9 180 – SOPH (Murphy, TX)
OVER 100 YARDS 3rd time/season (+6 yds/car)
AVG'G +170 AP YDS per game (leads nation)
146 YDS AWAY/1,000 (first Robert Lowe/2014)

28 Jahmyl JETER
6-0 235 – Senior (4th Year TR: Oklahoma St)
4 RUSH TDs on season (3 of those: goal to go)
CAREER: 961 yds (LG: 40), 16 rushing TD

RB

8 Donerio DAVENPORT
6-1 210 – Junior (1st Year TR: Kilgore JC)
SEASON HIGH 94 yds rush/15 car vs ULM
SCORED TWICE this season (1 rush, 1 rec)

11 Calvin HILL
5-8 200 – Junior (Baytown, TX)
19 CARRIES in opener (just 12 since then)
CAREER: 1,701 yds (LG: 78), 10 rushing TD

WR

10 Joey HOBERT SEASON: 6 TD | LONG: 83
5-11 180 – Junior (San Clemente, CA)
JUST 3 CATCHES last week vs Troy (37 prev 4 games)
GONE OVER 100 YARDS 4x this season (3x SBC play)
TWO 4Q TD CATCHES vs ULM (caught GW w/0:41)

17 Julian ORTEGA-JONES
6-2 200 – Senior (3rd Year TR: Bowling Green)
FIRST 2 CATCHES season last week (29 rec last year)
BROTHER ISAIAH: key part of Baseball 2022 Title

Punter - 99 Shaymus O'KELLY (SR): Punted 2x vs TROY...Punt blocked vs LA (led TD)
Named to Ray Guy Award Watchlist prior to start of the season

PK - 36 Mason SHIPLEY (SOPH) Season: 10-for-10 (8 FG last 3 games)... Career LG: 54 (TXST record)...PAT: 33-for-33
KICKOFFS – 47 Matthew VELASCO or 36 Mason SHIPLEY or 43 Michael JAMES

DS – 44 Brady RADZ
OR 45 John OEHRLEIN
Holder – 99 Shaymus O'KELLY

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BIG RETURN
3 WKS AGO

Jordan REVELS SEASON: 0 SACKS | 3.5 TFL
5-11 235 – Senior (Houston, TX)
6 TACK & 2 ½ TFL vs ULM (missed prev 4 gms)
PRESEASON 2ND TEAM All-SBC (Only TXST player)
CAREER: 204 tackles | 26.5 TFL | 7.5 sacks

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Deven WRIGHT
6-5 215 – Junior (Southaven, MS)
SEASON SO FAR: 11 tackles, 2.5 TFL and 2 sacks
PLAYED 9 GAMES in his lone season/Boise St

DT

95
HEAVIEST
D-LINEMAN

Terry WEBB NJCAA
6-3 305 – Junior (1ST Year TR: Kilgore JC)
TIPS THE SCALES at over 300 pounds
TOP 25 JUCO recruit in the state of Texas

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Myron WARREN
6-2 275 – Junior (2ND Year TR: Texas)
MISSED MOST OF last year due to injury
TOP 20 RECRUIT out of state of Louisiana

DT

91
GETS IN
BACKFIELD

Tavian COLEMAN U STATE
6-1 280 – Junior (Humble, TX)
3 ½ SACKS & 7 TFL this season
JUST 1 SEASON AT Utah St, but +470 snaps
ALL-DISTRICT Tennis player in high school

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Dominique RATCLIFF
6-3 280 – SOPH (2ND Year TR: Louisiana)
LAST YEAR: Played in all 12 games (1 start)

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Chance MAIN U
6-5 215 – Junior (Southaven, MS)
3 YEARS AT UIW before going Colorado last yr
MISSED ENTIRE 2021 season UIW (torn labrum)

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BIG GAME IN
LAFAYETTE

Sam LATHAM SEASON: 2.5 SACKS | 6 TFL
6-7 275 – Senior (Austin, TX)
2 TFL, SACK & FR at Louisiana
4 SEASONS AT UIW (4 sacks, 10 TFL last year)

LB

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SOLID 1ST
YEAR IMPACT

Dan FOSTER JR X
6-3 225 – Junior (Riveria, FL)
5TH LEADING TACKLER on the team
DNP AGAINST ULM three weeks ago
30 GAMES IN 4 SEASONS with Marshall

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Kenny HAYNES
6-1 210 – Junior (Edna, TX)
5TH YR w/PROGRAM (career began 2019)

TEXAS STATE SCHEDULE

Sep 2	@ Baylor (42-31)
Sep 9	@ UTSA (20-13)
Sep 16	Vs Jackson State (77-34)
Sep 23	Vs Nevada (35-24)
Sep 30	@ So Miss** (50-36)
Oct 7	@ Louisiana** (34-30)
Oct 14	Vs ULM** (21-20)
BYE	BYE WEEK
Oct 28	Vs Troy** (31-13)
Nov 4	Vs GA Southern**
Nov 11	@ Coastal Carolina**
Nov 18	@ Arkansas State**
Nov 25	Vs South Alabama**

**Sun Belt Conference

LB

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LEADER
OF DEFENSE

Brian HOLLOWAY SEASON: 64 TACK | 10 TFL
6-0 225 – Senior (2ND Year TR: SMU)
LED TEAM LAST WEEK: 10 tackles vs Troy
TOP 10 IN SBC in both tackles & TFL

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Derick MOURNING JR NJCAA
6-3 230 – SOPH (1ST Year TR: Kilgore JC)
1ST TEAM ALL-CONF in JUCO last year

DEFENSIVE STORYLINES

- STRONG STARTS:** Given/TD opening drive once
- STOP THE RUN:** Holding opps under 4 yds/car
- NEED TURNOVERS:** None forced last 2 games
- PLAY CLEAN:** Defense penalized 3x last week

KEY DEFENSIVE STATS/RANKS

SACKS	23 SACKS (2 ND SBC) 3 sacks last week vs Troy
TFLs	+9 TFL PER GAME (2 ND FBS) Only Texas A&M has more
3 & OUTS	SEASON: 16 (3 & OUTS) Just 1 last week vs Troy
3 RD DOWN	OPPONENTS: 48% 10 th highest rate allowed FBS

DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR

Jonathan Patke (1st Season)
Defense at UIW last year: led FCS in TFL

LB

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COMING OFF
BIG GAME

Ben BELL SEASON: 5 SACKS | 10 TFL
6-2 250 – Junior (2ND Yr Transfer: LA Tech)
2 SACKS & 3.5 TFL against Troy
LEADS TEAM IN SACKS (tied team lead in TFL)

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Caleb COLEMAN W
6-2 200 – SOPH (Phenix City, AL)
SACK LAST WEEK versus Troy (first of season)
13 GAMES IN 2 SEASONS at West Virginia

CB

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BIG ADDITION

Kaleb FORD-DEMENT SEASON: 1 INT | 5 PBU
5-11 190 – Senior (Whitehouse, TX)
TIED TEAM LEAD IN PBU also has 1 INT this season
2 SEASONS AT WAZZU (missed all of last yr/injury)
DIDN'T PLAY FOOTBALL until senior year HS (2016)

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A.J. EDWARDS
5-11 190 – Junior (2ND Year TR: Miss Gulf Coast CC)
STRONG FINISH TO LAST YR started final 5 games

SAFETY

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PLAYED WELL
RECENTLY

Kaleb CULP SEASON: 3 FR | 3 PBU
5-10 190 – Junior (Dallas, TX)
28 TACKLES & 2 FR over the last four games
2 YEARS AT UIW (2x All-Conf...195 tackles)
COMES FROM BIG family 1 of 8 kids

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OUT/YEAR

Tory SPEARS KNEE INJURY
6-3 200 – Senior (4th Year TR: Iowa State)
HON MEN ALL-SBC last yr (career high 77 tack)
2 CAREER INT (inc. 94-yd Pick-6 vs App State)

SAFETY

23
BALL HAWK

Shawn HOLTON SEASON: 1 INT | 4 FF
5-10 175 – Senior (Ft. Worth, TX)
4 FORCED FUM (2ND nation)...INT @ Baylor
PLAYMAKER LAST YEAR at UIW (3 INT, 5 PBU)

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Bobby CROSBY NJCAA
6-2 185 – Junior (1ST Year TR: Cisco JC)
2ND TEAM ALL-CONF last year at Cisco JC

CB

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PLAYS BALL
VERY WELL

Joshua EATON SEASON: 0 INT | 5 PBU
6-1 180 – SOPH (Houston, TX)
5 PBU THIS SEASON (Tied/team lead)...still 0 INT
4-STAR RECRUIT coming/HS (Top 30 CB/nation)

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Chris MILLS
5-11 175 – Senior (3rd Year TR: Missouri)
THIS SEASON: 6th in CFB (started 2018 at Mizzou)
SET CAREER HIGHS in tackles & PBU last year

PUNT RETURN

10 Joey HOBERT

1 big return this season (32 yarder vs Jackson St)
Last TXST Punt Return TD: Jeremiah Haydel (2020)

KICK RETURN

21 Ismail MAHDI

100 yard KO return for a TD at So Miss

KICK RETURN

2 Kole WILSON

Home opener: 69-yard return vs Jackson State
2 punt return TD in 1 game last year at UIW