

Greenfield High School Football



Head Coach: Don Pitt Career Record: 16-39 Year as Head Coach: 7th
Greenfield Focuses On "The Next Play" for 2018-19 Season

This year's Greenfield Yellowjackets team is filled with big guys who seem to be able to make the big plays happen. The Yellowjackets have grown immensely since last year, from 23 players in on the preseason roster to 31 players now. With these numbers, Head Coach Don Pitt is hoping that this year will lead to big wins for Greenfield.

The Yellowjackets defense looks to have a lot of big guys on the roster that Coach Pitt hopes will upset the competition.

Starting with the Yellowjackets cornerbacks are high school juniors Trevon Watkins and Michael Isbell. Both players have had a lot of experience on the field and are tough athletic competitors.

Kelly Ricketts, who is a junior, will play as a strong safety this year. Coach Don Pitt believes Ricketts is a guy to look out for, because he will be able to make plays all over the field. Senior Grant Huffstetler will be joining Ricketts as the free safety. Huffstetler will also be another player to look out for, because he is quick and has a lot of speed with a never quit attitude.

The linebacker positions this year for the Yellowjackets will have some tough kids to beat. Sophomore Seth Davidson will be in the same linebacker position. Davidson is said to be a player that is setting a good edge over other teams and will make the plays happen. Another linebacker is sophomore is Keylon Thomas, who is also expected to make a lot of plays happen in the Yellowjackets favor. Seniors Andrew Capps and Landon Brock will be the mike (middle) linebackers. Coach Don Pitt said this about Capps and Brock, "Andrew is our leader on the defensive side of the ball. He is incredibly tough and he will be a big part of our success. Landon is a wrecking ball. He will make a huge contribution to our defense."

Junior Luke Allen will play in the nose guard position. Allen appears to be developing into a tough player on the field and hard for offensive linemen to overcome this season.

Senior Jacob Arnold will be defensive end and will round off the starters for the defense for the Greenfield Yellowjackets. Arnold is a returning two-year starter and has a lot of experience, having played on the defense and the offense in the past.

On the offensive side of the ball, the Yellowjackets will have speed and experience on their side.

Starting the offense off is junior Luke Allen, who will be the left tackle, and senior Brennan Dodson, as right tackle.

Seniors will be in the positions of left and right guards this year with Andrew Capps playing left guard and Jacob Arnold right guard, who both have a lot of speed and strength. Arnold is three-year starter,

who began as a center, but will be a right tackle this season. Capps has lots knowledge of the game and is a good leader for the Yellowjackets.

Playing as center will be senior Seth Davidson, who has not played in this position before, but Coach Don Pitt says he thinks that this will be a good change for Davidson, and will be big part of the offense line this year.

Wide receivers Trevon Watkins and Michael Isbell, who are both juniors, are excellent runners and make great catches. Junior Kelly Ricketts will be another receiver. Ricketts is a player who can play most any position; he started as a quarterback last year and is giving the Yellowjackets a lot of options, due to his versatility.

Senior Landon Brock, who will be a fullback, has learned some of the best blocking techniques and will be a big threat to other teams this year. Keylon Thomas, a sophomore, will be a running back that will provide great depth with the ball.

Two players that will be rotating positions will be seniors Grant Huffstetler and Nyrail Jackson, who will both play as quarterback and as running back. These two players have a lot of speed. Huffstetler has played successfully as quarterback before and Jackson came off of last season with 11 touchdowns. Having these two switching positions will make for a lot of schemes that will be able to score points for the Yellowjackets.

Another person who could play in the position of quarterback this year will be senior Grant McAlister who will also be playing in the special teams with his ability to punt the football great distances.

Other players that rival teams will need to look out for will be sophomores William Cantrell, Payton Mills, and Kiah Reynolds; and freshmen Ryan Casio and Garrett Garner. All of these players might be younger, but will provide the Yellowjackets with a lot of depth for the offense this year.

The special team seems to be all for the seniors with Grant McAlister being the kicker and seniors Nyrail Jackson and Grant Huffstetler set to be the returners this year.

The Yellowjackets coaching staff has been training their team to be ready for the start of the season. They were able to get some extra practice by going to the Liberty Retreat & Conference Center for a three day pre-season camp. Many of the Yellowjackets were able to attend the training camp, and Coach Don Pitt said that it was a great thing that really did improve the attitude of the team. He noted it also helped the players focus on their defense and offense.

The Yellowjackets have ten seniors on the roster this year and Coach Don Pitt says that this will be a big strength over other schools. A lot of the seniors have been playing football for many years, and their experience will be the edge that Greenfield needs this season.

Coach Pitt said the experience of the team will be their greatest

strength this year, but he is worried about how the team is going to play during some tough games that are coming up this year. He said that this team can win, but they need to remember that when they are having a rough practice and game. This view from Coach Pitt is expressed with the team philosophy that he reminds his players of, "Play the next play. Don't worry about what happened on the last play. Get up and focus on the next play."

Greenfield HS Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Grade
1	Kelly Ricketts	QB/DB	11
3	Traon Watkins	WR/DB	11
4	Michael Isbell	WR/DB	11
6	Keylon Thomas	RB/LB	10
8	Jackson Cooper	WR/DB	9
10	Nyrail Jackson	RB/DB	12
14	Ryan Dunning	WR/DB	11
15	Will Harris	QB/LB	9
21	Grant Huffstetler	RB/DB	12
24	Hayden Smith	WR/DB	9
28	Grant McAlister	QB/K/P	12
31	Trey Tansil	HB/DB	9
33	Samuel Thum	FB/DL	9
34	Joshua Brown	WR/DB	9
40	Landon Brock	FB/LB	12
41	Kobe Thomas	WR/DB	10
42	Blaine Cooper	TE/LB	10
51	Jacob Arnold	OL/DL	12
54	Kiah Reynolds	OL/LB	10
58	Dalton Mills	OL/DL	12
60	Andrew Capps	OL/LB	12
61	Ryan Casio	OL/DL	9
62	Trevor Birdwell	OL/DL	9
68	Payton Mills	OL/DL	10
70	Brennan Dodson	OL/DL	12
73	Garrett Garner	OL/DL	9
75	William Cantrell	OL/DL	10
76	Riley Hensley	OL/DL	12
77	O'Marion Miles	OL/DL	9
78	Luke Allen	OL/DL	11
86	Seth Davidson	TE/LB	12

Good Luck To All Area Football Teams!

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2018 Greenfield Schedule

Date	Opponent	Venue
Aug. 17	Fulton City	Home
Aug. 24	Bruceston	Away
Aug. 31	South Fulton	Home
Sept. 7	Tip.-Rosemark	Home
Sept. 14	*Dresden	Home
Sept. 21	Fulton Co.	Away
Sept. 28	*Humboldt	Home
Oct. 5	OPEN DATE	
Oct. 12	*Gleason	Away
Oct. 19	*Lake Co.	Away
Oct. 26	*West Carroll	Away

*Region 7A Game

2017 G'field Results (5-6)

Date	Opponent	Score
Week 1	Fulton City	W 20-0
Week 2	Hollow Rock	L 8-45
Week 3	So. Fulton	L 8-28
Week 4	Tip.-R'mark	L 0-37
Week 5	Dresden	L 0-42
Week 6	Fulton Co.	W 53-6
Week 7	Humboldt	W 19-7
Week 8	OPEN DATE	
Week 9	Gleason	W 40-8
Week 10	Lake Co.	L 8-39
Week 11	West Carroll	W 14-0

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