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Dilley hasn't sported the flashiest of records over the last several years but has recorded wins when it counts; in the playoffs.

The Wolves have made the playoffs in each of Coach Manny Martinez' four years at DISD and have made the second round each of the last two seasons.

They also laid claim to the 2016 district crown.

Despite the loss of numerous key players from last year's area qualifier, this season's Wolves should be poised for a breakout year.

"Goal number one is to get through our non-district schedule injury free," Martinez said. "Goal number two is that we expect to play Poeth for the district championship. Goal number three is to make school history in the post season."

Martinez' only worry entering the year is how quickly his players can adapt to a new offensive scheme.

"The kids are learning a new offensive scheme so it will take time to implement, but we are excited about the possibilities of featuring

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numerous kids on offense,” he said.

“Defensively, the kids have been running the ‘Wrecking Crew’ scheme for five years now, so it looks much smoother.

“We feel that this new offense scheme will give us the best chance to get past the second round. It fits our kids and lets us feature multiple kids. We have exited in the second round forever here at Dilley because we have not been able

to match up athletically with the powerhouse programs we always draw in the second round. We feel this new offense will negate the opponent's offensive touches and put us in the best position to win in the second round.”

A defensive-minded coach at heart, Martinez says he is excited with the potential his offense offers.

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