

Cotulla Cowboys

Fast Fact:
TOUGH ENDING:

Cotulla was on the cusp of a playoff berth last year but were eliminated via a tiebreaker by Mathis despite defeating the Pirates in the season finale.

UIL ENROLLMENT - 360

'17 Record -
4-6 (2-3, 5th in District 15-3A, DI)

BASE OFFENSE:
Pro

BASE DEFENSE:
50

Top Returning Quarterback:
Malachi Romez

Top Returning Rusher:
Alex Garza

Top Returning Receiver:
Samuel Jordan

Top Returning Defender:
David Ryan Perez

2017

Three Rivers	W - 19-2
Karnes City	W - 31-13
Dilley	L - 19-12
Natalia	L - 45-12
OPEN	
Crystal City	L - 41-6
Goliad	L - 54-12
George West	L - 62-7
Taft	W - 38-6
Jourdanton	L - 18-12
Mathis	W - 34-27

2018

Week 1 - La Pryor
Week 2 - @Bishop
Week 3 - @Dilley
Week 4 - Carrizo Springs
Week 5 - Lytle
Week 6 - @Randolph
Week 7 - Cole
Week 8 - @Jourdanton
Week 9 - Karnes City
Week 10 - @Marion
Week 11 - Bye

District 15-3A - Div. 1

Team	'17 Record
Marion	8-3 (5-0)
Randolph	5-6 (2-3)
Jourdanton	4-7 (2-3)
Cotulla	4-6 (2-3)
Karnes City	3-7 (1-4)
Lytle	0-10 (0-5)



The Cotulla Cowboys Football Team

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“My style hasn’t changed, I expect and demand perfection and as I tell my boys and coaches, if I allow anything less than perfection, I’ve failed them, and that will not happen under my guidance.”

A player that should excel in Silva’s run-oriented Nasty Slot offense will be quarterback Malachi Romez. The returning senior signal-caller is a run-pass threat on every play.

“He brings a multi-dimensional aspect to the game,” Silva said. “His arm strength, throwing accuracy, and ability to read defenses has improved dramatically since spring football, summer 7-on-7 and the first week of August practice.”

“Teams are gonna be scared of his ability to run with the ball, making him a great dual threat quarterback. Senior Duran Garcia and sophomore Eliahs Jones are also working at the quarterback spot and are also doing a good job of running the scheme.”

Cotulla will have new faces at the running back

position with junior Colby Ortiz and senior Raul Saldivar manning the backfield.

“Our top running backs will be Colby Ortiz and Raul Saldivar,” Silva said. “Colby has added 15 pounds since February. He has good speed and will be the featured running back. Raul has worked extremely hard and has improved his speed and pass catching skills.”

The coach feels that he has good weapons at the wideout position.

“Our wide receivers will feature four good athletes,” the coach said. “Senior Jarek Ramirez will be our playmaker, and juniors Greg Flores, Evan Garcia and Austin Hernandez do a great job of route running and understanding the passing game.”

Joseph Martinez, Balamero Ortega, George Ramirez, Gio Narvaiz, Isaiah Alvarez, Blade Martinez, Ricardo Viesca, Andrew Velasquez and Enrique Paredes will man the offensive line.

Silva says he will be hanging his hat on the defense this season.

“Our defense will be the heart of the team,” he said. “Right now they’ve got the mentality of getting to the ball and getting there pissed off!”

“Linebackers Cahel Lafferty and Gio Mendez, both inside linebackers, defensive tackles Balamero Ortega and Gio Narvaiz and defensive ends Isaiah Alvarez and Raul Saldivar will anchor the front six.”

“Our main goal is the playoffs,” Silva says of this season. “Marion and San Antonio Cole will be the odds-on favorite, as they have good athletes at both places, but overall, I feel it will be a good, competitive race.”

