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Jackson Peavler will make a much bigger contribution to the Titan's defense this season. The junior is currently the first choice to start at outside linebacker opposite Brayden Dunn, and Buchanan has been very impressed with Peavler's progression this offseason.

"I think Jackson Peavler is going to surprise some people. The guy off the top of my head that has really stood out during the preseason has been Jackson," said Buchanan.

Peavler will be relied upon heavily by Buchanan on both sides of the ball. He is expected to play outside linebacker on defense and on the opposite side of the ball, he is expected to replace many of Yulee's carries from a season ago.

The defensive backfield will be full of new faces this year. Juniors Aaron Caton, Riley Peavler, Cayden Devine and Eathan Baker are fresh faces in the Titans secondary. Their level of play is uncertain but they're performance this season is critical to the success of the young Titan defense.

The Titans offense will rely heavily on young talent as well. Dunn leads a mostly inexperienced running back corp. Jackson Peavler, juniors Wyatt Sanford and Matthew Brodeur, senior Bryce Walton and freshman Denim Griffieth will all take handoffs from a new quarterback. Trosper Buchanan, another player from the strong junior class will take

over as QB1.

Buchanan is confident in Trosper's ability to consistently make good passes, and Trosper's lack of varsity experience won't affect the play calling for Buchanan.

One hindrance for the new quarterback could come from a lack of experienced receivers to throw the ball to, but Buchanan is confident in the new receiving corp to get the job done.

"I really like the receivers that we've picked up. As a group our skill guys have really worked hard on their own," said Buchanan, who isn't worried about whether the Titans focus on running the ball or passing. "I'm not really thinking in terms of are we going run it or pass it, I'm thinking in terms of getting it to the guys that can score," said Buchanan.

Buchanan understands replacing so much talent will be difficult and with this untraditional offseason it has been difficult for some coaches to evaluate a player's talent due to lack of live scrimmages and contact in practice. Many starting positions are still up for grabs according to Buchanan, and he may not know who his best players are until the Titans have played a couple of games.

"We've still got a lot of competition for positions right now. We want to win our first game, but I would say it will probably be the first or second game or two before the dust settles and we figure out who some guys are and who some are not," said Buchanan.

One player Buchanan is sure of is senior kicker Noah Davis.

Davis is heading into his last season as a Titan as perhaps one of the best kickers in the state of Kentucky. Davis has been looking forward to his final season and reminisces about the training he has battled through for the past four years.

"I'm excited to finally play my senior season of football. As I look back, I see how much hard work and effort we've all put in. I can see how we've gotten better. Not only has it made us better football players, but better people," said Davis.

Buchanan's goals for this team are similar to all of his teams. Making it to the playoffs and getting yourself in a good position to compete is all Buchanan is looking for, after that, anything can happen.

"I want to get to November, at a minimum, I'd like us to have a chance to win every Friday in November. At a maximum, I'd like us to be the better team when we step on the field," said Buchanan.

Buchanan highlighted the tough schedule the Titans will be playing this year, and the only unknown is keeping the players healthy and ready for November postseason competition.

"I think it's going to be a tough season, but if we can have a little luck and stay healthy-if I can put a depth chart on paper and put that team out in November, I think it's going to be tough to beat them," said Buchanan.

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## ROSTER

35	Tyler Austin	Sr.	60	Lleyton Penn	So.
83	Zeydan Jackson	Jr.	14	Malachi Davis	Fr.
81	Sam Bafundo	Fr.	19	Morgan Pennington	So.
82	Colton Kelly	Jr.	34	Noah Davis	Sr.
26	Eathan Baker	Jr.	48	Jackson Perry	So.
65	Hunter Kidd	Jr.	68	Hunter Day	Fr.
55	Brandyn Barnes	So.	59	Blade Reynolds	Sr.
70	Mason Kirkland	Fr.	11	Cayden Devine	Jr.
29	Gavin Berkshire	Fr.	8	Dustin Sallee	Fr.
13	Andres Lopez	Jr.	77	Camryn Drury	Fr.
80	Skyler Bradley	Fr.	27	Wyatt Sanford	Jr.
25	Jalen Lukitsch	Sr.	28	Brayden Dunn	Jr.
64	Brandon Briscoe	Jr.	30	Caden Semrau	Fr.
63	Richie Macias	Sr.	32	Garrett Fister	So.
33	Matthew Brodeur	Jr.	17	Andrew Sheperson	So.
62	James Mathe	Sr.	56	Nicholas Fletcher	Fr.
78	Blake Brown	Sr.	50	Michael Sheperson	Sr.
57	Kingston Mays	Fr.	40	Andrew Gamble	Jr.
53	Dakota Browning	Jr.	75	Liam Six	Fr.
6	Thaddeus Mays	So.	51	Jesus Garcia	Sr.
10	Trosper Buchanan	Jr.	76	Eli Strangfeild	Fr.
61	Aiden McKinney	Fr.	84	Bailey Griffieth	Sr.
74	Elijah Buford	So.	54	Tristen Tyler	Jr.
67	Brent McKitric	Jr.	22	Denim Griffieth	Fr.
20	Ryan Burrus	So.	58	Jaden Vance	Jr.
21	Nathaniel Moore	Fr.	15	Myles Haygood	So.
36	Colten Calloway	Fr.	7	Bryce Walton	Sr.
85	Gavin Mounce	Sr.	24	Landon Hill	Fr.
43	Dalton Carrico	Sr.	9	Tytus Weldon	So.
18	Jesse Odell	So.	79	Jacob Howard	Fr.
4	Aaron Caton	Jr.	16	Landon Yates	Fr.
12	Jackson Peavler	Jr.	73	JC Howard	Jr.
44	Austin Cole	So.	3	Tanner Yeager	Fr.
5	Riley Peavler	Jr.	72	Zaryn Jackson	So.
52	Byron Collier	So.			

## SENIORS



Tyler Austin, Jalen Lukitsch, Richie Macias, James Mathe, Blake Brown, Gavin Mounce, Dalton Carrico, Noah Davis, Blade Reynolds, Michael Sheperson, Jesus Garcia, Bailey Griffieth, Bryce Walton

## COACHES

Head Coach David Buchanan, Assistant Coach Tommy L Craig, Assistant Coach William B Harris, Assistant Coach R. Graham Heasley Jr., Assistant Coach Michael Johnson, Assistant Coach Joshua C Painter, Assistant Coach Brian Rowland Assistant Coach Donald W Smith, Chaplain Donald Smith II

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- Buchanan