

GARRARD GOLDEN LIONS



GAME SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 18	BATH COUNTY BATH COUNTY 7:30PM
SEPTEMBER 25	JACKSON COUNTY JACKSON COUNTY 7:30PM
OCTOBER 2	MCCREARY CENTRAL MCCREARY CENTRAL 7:30PM
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OCTOBER 16	ESTILL COUNTY GARARRD COUNTY 7:30PM
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Jerry Perry had immediate success when he took over as head coach of the Garrard County Golden Lions in 2014. The team won two triple-A tournament games and had winning records in his first two seasons. But Garrard hasn't had a winning season since 2015. The Golden Lions have struggled with fielding young rosters and trying to build a winning culture. Perry said he sees potential in this year's team. The Golden Lions have many seniors on the roster this year-- John Rayburn, Seth Ousley, Cortez Ison, Teddie Kohli, RJ Kilby, James Preston, Justus McGlone, Dylan Tap, Tyreece Jones and Christian Hansford.

"From a senior perspective, these guys have done a great job," Perry said. "They have been very positive and easy to coach. They are doing everything they can to have a season in a tough situation. I'm very proud of their efforts to this point."

They have the makings to be a great team this year, he said. They are returning young guys who did a good job last season, and have

impact seniors who are fully motivated to perform to the best of their abilities, while still teaching and leading the younger core.

Unfortunately, the Golden Lions have been hit hard by injuries throughout the offseason. This may still be a building year for the Golden Lions.

"We already have the injury bug, that will affect what we will actually look like to start the season," Perry said. "If everyone were available, I think we could be an improved team."

They will be starting seven freshmen and sophomores in skill positions. Two of the seniors who will be called upon to perform and lead the younger players are Christian Hansford and Justus McGlone.

As for the freshmen, sophomores and one junior, Maishaun Baker, Austin Adams, Landon Davis, Ian Alcorn, Montavin Quisenberry, Asher Dunn, Hayden Elleman and Chase Burkhart will be heavily relied on in skill positions.

The offensive line has had several injuries, including Mason Sulla and seniors Seth

Ousley and Cortez Ison. Ison has been a four-year starter for the Golden Lions on the line, the impact of his loss will be significant.

"It has put us in a tough situation to start the season," Perry said. "We will be very undersized and inexperienced. We do return sophomore linemen Cruz Juarez and junior Jacob Brown, but most of the kids on the line week one and probably week two will be testing uncharted waters. We have had to move tight ends Teddie Kohli and R.J. Kilby into the line and have had to try and bring along a couple undersized freshman as well. I think we will have to just do everything we can to utilize quickness in our line which is definitely a new perspective for us."

The offensive lineman who have gone down with injuries are the same ones who lead the defensive line. Perry will use other players to fill those roles.

"With the injuries we have been working more with senior offensive lineman John Rayburn, junior Jacob Brown, along with returning starter Cruz Juarez," Perry

