

outscored by its district opponents last year by an average of 29 points.

Noteworthy: De Leon's five-year play-off streak ended last year with a 47-43 loss to Goldthwaite in the final regular-season game. ... New Bearcats' head coach Jacob Marwitz is from Comanche. ... De Leon leads the all-time series with Goldthwaite 23-21.

San Saba Armadillos

Enrollment: 201.

Last Year's Record: 8-3, 4-1 in District 4-2A DI.

Last Playoff Appearance: 2020.

Last District Title: 2019.

Head Coach: Andreas Aguirre, fifth year at San Saba; third year as head coach.

Coach's Record: 21-4.

Returning Experience: 24 lettermen, 5 offensive and 4 defensive starters.

Players to Watch: RB Wesley Lackey, 5-10, 170, Sr.; WR-DB Reagan Mejia, 5-10, 160, Sr.; WR-DB Drake Bryant, 5-10, 155, Sr.; DB Franco Franco, 5-8, 165, Sr.; OL-DE Leonel Arranda, Sr.; QB Lance Taylor, Jr.; OL-DL Christian Ramirez, Jr.

Strengths: playoff experience, skill players

Weaknesses: inexperienced offensive and defensive lines.

Key Stats: WR-DB Mejia made first-team all-district on offense and defense last year. He finished with 361 yards and 3 TDs receiving,

and intercepted 3 passes on defense. RB Lackey rushed for 676 yards and 5 TDs last year. He also has 2 TDs receiving. DE Aranda logged 44 tackles and 3 sacks last year.

Noteworthy: San Saba slipped to 8-3 last year after finishing 27-2 in 2018 and 2019 combined. The Armadillos lost to Panhandle in the area round of last year's playoffs. ... San Saba will face a challenging nondistrict schedule, including state-ranked 3A opponents in Rogers and Llano. ... San Saba figures to be formidable at the skill positions, but the Armadillos have lost a lot of decorated lineman the last two seasons. ... San Saba leads the all-time series against Goldthwaite 60-39-4, including last year's 64-6 decision.

Winters Blizzards

Enrollment: 177.

Last Year's Record: 4-7, 3-2 in District 4-2A DI.

Last Playoff Appearance: 2020.

Last District Title: 2014.

Head Coach: Matt McCarty, seventh year at Winters.

Head Coach's Record: 26-39, all at Winters.

Returning Experience: 13 lettermen, 6 offensive and 7 defensive starters.

Players to Watch: QB-LB Jon Kullen Bush-er, 6-0, 180, Sr; WR-NG Trent Hamilton, 6-3, 225, Sr.; WR-DB Dayvin Oats, 5-10, 160, Sr.; OL-DL Rider Duggan, 6-2 220, Sr.; WR-LB

Chaney Bahlman, 6-4, 185, Sr.; RB-DB Aidan Leamon, 6-2, 180, Jr.; WR-DB Houston Esquivel, 5-9, 165, Sr.

Strengths: skill position experience.

Weaknesses: line depth and experience.

Key Stats: The Blizzards switched from the flexbone to the spread offense to accommodate QB Busher and a group of fast, tall receivers. New RB Leamon made an impression last spring, finishing third at regional in the 300 hurdles. Sophomore WR-DB Chris Martinez won district last spring in the 100 meters. Winters last year averaged 28 points per game and allowed 27.

Noteworthy: Winters rallied to make the playoffs after a 1-6 start last year. The Blizzards finished as the No. 3 playoff seed, but lost to Anson 45-7 in bidistrict. ... Goldthwaite leads its all-time series against Winters 14-10, even though the Blizzards have won the last three meetings by a combined 83-28. ... The Blizzards have made the playoffs four straight years, but have only one postseason win during that time.

Coleman Bluecats

Enrollment: 224.

Last Year's Record: 6-4, 2-3 in District 4-2A DI.

Last Playoff Appearance: 2017.

Last District Title: 2014.

Head Coach: John Elder, eighth year at Cole-

man.

Coach's Record: 46-33, all at Coleman.

Returning Experience: 18 lettermen, 7 offensive and 8 defensive starters.

Players to Watch: RB-LB Ryland Gentry, 6-1, 195, Jr.; WR-DB Denver Hunter, 5-9, 150, Sr.; OL-DL Gus Allen, 6-0, 230, Sr., TE-LB Christian Espitia, 6-0, 185, Sr.; OL-DL Jeryd Fain, 6-1, 275, Sr.;

OL-DE David Navarro, 6-0, 215, Jr.

Strengths: 15 returning starters, more physical, solid numbers.

Weakness: players in new positions, lack of depth.

Key Stats: At 6-4 last year, the Bluecats recorded their first winning record since 2016. They are seeking to end a three-year playoff absence. Coleman last year averaged 22.8 points per game and allowed 16.4. Despite 2020's solid record in their first season after dropping from Class 3A, the Bluecats still lost big to district leaders Cisco (27-0) and San Saba (43-10).

Noteworthy: The Bluecats started 6-1 last year and looked to be a shoo-in for at least third place in the district. But Coleman lost its final three games, including a 1-0 forfeit to Winters because of COVID, which shutdown the Bluecats' season and ended their playoff hopes. ... Coleman leads the all-time series with Goldthwaite 14-7-2. The Bluecats have won the last three meetings by a combined 79-37. Goldthwaite's last win over Coleman was 15-10 in 2003.

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