

# WESTVIEW HIGH SCHOOL



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## Team with Hopes of Reaching the Championships

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Westview High School's football program has come back this summer to prepare for a new season that will offer many new and difficult challenges.

The team changes regions this year, going from Region 3A, where the Chargers have been since the start of the 2015-16 season, down to Region 2A. This opens the door to teams that Westview has not played against in a few years.

Head Coach Jared Neal noted that when he looked at the schedule for this season, there are a lot of tough games. With the regional games, he said the team will need to be ready for Camden and Union City. The non-regional games will also be a new challenge for the team.

"We need to see how we match

up with other teams who play really good football," Neal noted.

The change in regions is also a new challenge that Neal himself has not seen as a coach before, but is looking forward to, attacking this new obstacle and seeing what he and the team can learn this year.

The Chargers' kicking game will be much different than it has been in past years, but Neal noted that there are many players who are stepping up to fill in the holes from last year.

Some were noted on the defense side, with seniors Quindarian Johnson playing as a nose tackle; Garner Anderson playing center; and Dearca Nicholson, Ryan Smith, and Ashton Carter playing as linebackers. Junior Hayden Smith is another linebacker. Juniors Quincy Hamilton and Drew Shanklin are safeties. Omarion Harris, a



Head Coach Jared Neal

junior, will double as a safety and linebacker; Micah Daniels as a back. Sophomore Miles Vincent is a defensive back. All of these players were mentioned by Head Coach Jared Neal as being very important to this year's defense.

Overall, the defense is looking good this year. The Chargers still have some things to work on, which Neal said was normal and they are much further along than they thought they would be last year.

Quarterback Ty Simpson is returning on the offense for his final year in high school. Other players leading the offense this season include running backs Dearca Nicholson and Ashton Carter; wide receivers Javion Goins, Garner Anderson, and Quincy Hamilton; Y Receivers Omarion Harris, Hayden Smith, and Micah Daniels. Mason Johns will double as a guard and tackle. Christian Ingram will be both a center and guard. Clayton Stevens will be a guard. Britton Carver will be an offensive lineman, and Case Spaulding will be playing as both a quarterback and wide receiver this year.

With Westview's special teams there are many of the same players on the special teams.

They will be led by senior Jackson Abel, who is a kicker and punter this year for the Chargers. There are many se-



Westview Cheerleading Team Coaches: Kassi Wright and Hillary Watson. Team first row (Left to Right): Taylor Davis, Grace Robey, Haley Simmons, Heidi Chapman, Rebecca Powers, and Brooklyn Young. Second Row (Left to Right): Kinzey Nanney, Alexis Jaramillo, Addison Cary, Rachel Escudero, Kathryn Butler, Maddie Morrison, and Aspyr Williams. Third Row (Left to Right): Kara Dane, Emma Cook, Lexie Jones, Selena Hernandez, Hailey Rogers, Kaylin Pham, and Marion Norton. Photo by Christel Laney



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niors and juniors this season, which makes Westview a very mature team.

The only main weakness for the team right now is less of a weakness and more of what every football team has issues with: making sure everyone is where they need to be to play their best.

As more practices go on, Neal said the team will be improving every week.

The Chargers' coaching staff saw some changes with the addition of Don Coady, Gaven Hollandsworth, and Matt Castleman to help this year.

This brings the staff to eight coaches. Coady was the head coach of Westview for many years, while Javion has five years of experience being a coach, and Matt has three years behind him. They are valuable to the team

in the areas they help coach. This season's philosophy is to attack every day, go to work every day, and learn every day. Neal says that with his hopes of making it to the championships this year, this will be what all the coaches will preach to their players.

Westview will travel to Trenton Friday, August 27 when they take on Peabody's Golden Tide.

### WESTVIEW HIGH SCHEDULE

Date	Team	Venue
August 20	Dresden	Home
August 27	Peabody	Away
September 3	Gibson County*	Home
September 10	Fairview	Away
September 17	Camden*	Away
September 24	Jackson South Side	Away
October 1	Union City*	Away
October 8	Huntingdon*	Home
October 15	OPEN DATE	
October 22	Ripley	Home
October 29	Houston County*	Home

\* Denotes Region Games

### WESTVIEW HIGH SCHOOL ROSTER

No.	NAME	OFF POS/DEF POS
1	Zabarie Pinkins	WR/Safety
2	Javion Goins	WR/Safety
3	Cam Davis	
4	Eason Couch	WR/C
5	Miles Vincent	QB/DB
6	Ty Simpson	QB/Safety
7	Dearca Nicholson	RB/LB
8	Drew Shanklin	WR/Safety
9	Taylor Haskins	WR/C
10	Omarion Harris	Y/Safety/LB
12	Garner Anderson	WR/C
13	Cooper Spaulding	WR
14	Cason Totten	K/P
15	Jack Hays Allen	QB
16	Jackson Abel	K/P
17	Quincy Hamilton	WR/Safety
18	Tyler Belew	
19	Ashton Carter	RB/LB
20	Cade Spaulding	QB/WR/C
21	Cody Meeks	
22	Cash Jimenez	Y/LB
23	Marshall Fant	
25	Jeremiah Inge	
26	Eli Garcia	WR/C
27	Damarion Pearson	RB/LB
29	Sam Shelley	Y/LB
30	Kyle Lifsey	WR/C
32	Gage Herron	
33	Caden Davis	
35	Hayden Smith	Y/LB
37	Zach Hickey	
38	Nolan Pritchett	RB/LB/DB
40	Grayson Williams	LB
41	Jake Gooch	
42	Drew Polman	RB/Y/LB
43	Jayden Johns	Y/DL
44	Bryce McGuffin	Y/LB
47	Isaac Smith	
50	Malik Smith	
51	Micah Daniels	Y/B
52	Christian Ingram	C/G/B
54	Clayton Stevens	G/E/B
55	Ryan Smith	OL/LB
56	Austin Brent	G/N
58	Britton Carver	OL/DL
59	Jacob Dunphy	
60	Mason Johns	G/T/E
61	Rhett Hays	OL/DL
62	Terron Smith	
63	Barrett Belew	
64	Davey Richardson	T/N
65	Cole Belew	G/LB
67	Landon Mays	
68	Quindarian Johnson	T/N
71	Ashton Kershner	
74	Jayden Kerney	
76	Will Borgens	
77	Sam Gallimore	OL/DL
78	Cole Allison	
80	Malik Lawson	

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**DREAM BIG, WORK HARD AND NEVER GIVE UP!**

*We are so proud of you Josh. Have a great season! Love, Your biggest fans*

**GO BIG BLUE!!**

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*Good luck Cade & Cooper During this football season!*

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