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Dresden High School Coaching staff: Keith Hodge, Tim Evans, Josh Grant, Matt Bane, Daniel Harris, and Ben Carter.

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2021 DHS FOOTBALL ROSTER

#	Player	Position
1	Tatum Oliver	LB/QB
2	Chandler Turnbow	DB/RB
5	Raymond Johnson	DB/WR
6	Trey Eddings	DB/WR
7	DeAngelo Lambert	LB/RB
8	Jaylyn Mitchell	DB/WR
9	Jayson Ritz	LB/TE
10	Tristan Jett	DB/RB
11	Cameron Schlicht	DB/QB
15	Will Kibbler	DB/WR
16	Tanner Oliver	LB/QB
17	Nick Turnbow	DB/WR
18	Ty Bizzle	DB/WR/K
20	Creed Melton	DB/WR
22	Braden Hamilton	DB/WR
23	Aiden Lawrence	LB/TE
25	Benjamin Brown	DL/TE
28	Reese Bell	DB/WR
30	D'sean Martin	DB/RB
32	Micah Wingate	LB/TE
33	Aaron Fulcher	LB/TE
44	Mace Wilson	LB/TE
50	Nicholas Totty	DL/OL
51	Cayson Pittman	DL/OL
52	Gavin Cooper	DL/OL
54	Austin Barnes	DL/OL
55	Eli Patterson	DL/OL
56	Ian Pinion	DL/OL
57	Milo Pflueger	DL/OL
60	Maconnell Forrester	DL/OL
61	Tanner Thomas	DL/OL
63	Hayden Poore	DL/OL
64	Tanner Braddy	DL/OL
65	Noah Duncan	DL/OL
71	Hunter Hamilton	DL/OL
73	Alex Gilmer	DL/OL
76	Chris Mann	DL/OL
77	Harley Puckett	DL/OL
78	Ricky Wilky	DL/OL
80	Jeremiah Beasley	DL/TE
88	Mark Maddox	K

Managers: Ashlee Mallon, Gillian Melton, Merrisa Harrison, Hannah White, Paul Nichols
Coaches: Keith Hodge, Tim Evans, Josh Grant, Matt Bane, Daniel Harris, Ben Carter
Film: Ralph Cobb
Principal/AD: Scott Killebrew
Assistant Principal: Krystle Smith

New Faces for Dresden High; Same Goals

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Dresden High School recently had some changes to its football program with Keith Hodge returning to Dresden High School to fill the head coach position after spending seven years at Murray High School. Coach Hodge is coming into his 16th year as a teacher and coach. He is a graduate, and later became coach, of McMinn County High School of East Tennessee. Later, he and his family moved to Dresden to coach for five years before going to Murray High School for seven years. Hodge is back at the Lion's Den. "I am honored and excited about coming back...It's always hard changing jobs, but in the end, you should go where you're led and the opportunity to get back to where I started head coaching to me is something special," Hodge said on returning. Other changes were made with Ben Carter joining the staff as the team's defensive coordinator and DHS history teacher. Daniel Harris also joined the program. He was a Lion football player



Dresden High School Cheer Team (front row left to right) Aerian Gilbert, Theron Cogburn, LeeAnne Morefield, Jacey McClure, and Lauren Jones. (Middle row left to right) Abigail Farris, Autumn Brackett, and Gracie Wilkerson. (Back row left to right) Alivia Workman, Anabelle Spence, Kyli Boyd, Avery Cogburn, and Emma Boaz.

and is an alumnus of Dresden. Coach Hodge said both have been working hard and showing a lot of potential for the program. This will be the third head coach for some players on the team, so it has been taking time for some to adjust to another change in the coaching staff. Hodge has been very impressed with how the team has been not only willing to work hard and adjust but pushing to have the best season possible. The team's hunger to improve from its 5-4 season last year has

resulted in all of the players being very coachable and putting their best efforts in everyday. When interviewing Head Coach Hodge, he said the offensive side of the ball and in some aspects, the team is clicking and in others, there is still work to be done. But Hodge is not too concerned of these struggles and says that the team is where he expected them to be with a new system to learn. With the team still learning and Hodge working to become well acquainted with the team, it has made the offensive line be more focused. The offense will have junior Tatum Oliver returning as quarterback, who will be leading the team this season with a strong arm.

The defense was looking well after the first scrimmage of the season, however, there are improvements that are being made before the start of the football season. Hodge said the team is working to see how important the defense is and making sure that all players agree on what they must do during the games. He also said the team's culture has been very well and notes that Tatum Oliver, Cameron Schlicht, and Hunter Hamilton will be very active this season but noted that it will, as always, be a team effort. The special teams will have Mark Maddox returning as kicker. Maddox is a returning all-region player. Chandler Turnbow will also be punting and Hodge noted that he will be a big weapon for the team. De'Angelo Lambert is snapping for the team.

With team leaders, Hodge said there are players who are looking for other leaders from their teammates, but hopes that the whole team can step up when needed during this season when things might get rough.

This season the team is working to approach each game with their best effort possible. No game will be seen as easy and they will be working hard to beat every team they play against with a goal to win. Coach Hodge does think that each game will be difficult for the team as they will be coming into each game with having a mentality of battling not only the team, but themselves for improvement.

The team will be working to win each game especially during regional games and make sure to improve each week.

The Dresden Lions kick off against Greenfield in Lion Country on Friday, August 27.

DRESDEN HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Date	Team	Venue
August 19	Westview	Away
August 27	Greenfield	Home
September 3	Perry Co.	Away
September 10	Gibson Co.	Away
September 17	Gleason	Home
September 24	South Fulton*	Home
October 1	McKenzie	Away
October 8	McEwen Away	
October 15	OPEN	
October 22	Obion Co.	Away
October 29	Bruceton **	Home

*Homecoming
**Senior Night

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