

Consistency remains the key for Tigers with plenty of new faces coming on board in 2022

“We do have a lot of new faces moving up to play key roles this season so we will lean on our offensive and defensive lines as those groups have the most experience we have coming back,” said Tiger Head Coach Matthew Smith. “We are lacking experience at linebacker on defense and at wide receiver and running

back as we start the season. I am very pleased with how our team worked throughout the offseason and summer program, and hopefully we will continue to make strides to be the best we can be. We will be counting on our 15 seniors to provide outstanding leadership to the rest of our guys. Almost all of them will play a lot of

football for us in 2022.”

Quarterback

“Carter Smith has done a lot of work in the offseason and has got bigger, stronger and faster. I think he also has a better understanding of the game going into the season. We have been excited with his development. Brodie Ivey and Maddox Ruddle have also

made improvements through the summer and fall camp and will serve as back-ups.”

Running Backs

“We will be sharing the reps and going with running back by committee once again to keep them all fresh. Tylin Irvin has been getting a bunch of reps along with Peyton Stricklin and newcomer Jacob Saunders. Sam Tanner and Caleb Franks are a couple of juniors that could also see some time at running back.”

Tight End/H-Back

“We have a lot of depth in this group as a lot of these guys had really good off-seasons and summer workouts. Caleb McGee, Ryan Weaks, Kevin Tarver and Jaquan Keele will all get opportunities to contribute at this position.”

Wide Receivers

“This group has continued to develop throughout the summer and has made good progress. We have seen them grow through the 7-on-7’s and in our first scrimmage. Brayden Wilkes, Kamron Haymon, Jack Gray, London Rose, Deondray Sparks and Wes Blankenship are all being counted on to get significant snaps at wide receiver. Gabe Eliff is a good young receiver that is working hard and coming on strong.”

Offensive Line

“We do have some pretty good experience returning on our offensive line in 2022. Raymond Poirier, Trell Estes, and Wade Vanhooose were all starters in 2021. Chase Kelley returns from a season-ending injury and has moved back in with no issues. Junior Baylee Huggins is new to our program but has fit in really well while working with our first group. Our second group

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2022 HCHS VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

GAME	DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION
FRIDAY	8/19	JACKSON NORTH SIDE	HOME
FRIDAY	8/26	ADAMSVILLE	HOME
FRIDAY	9/2	JACKSON SOUTH SIDE	AWAY
FRIDAY	9/9	UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF JACKSON	AWAY
FRIDAY	9/16	CHESTER COUNTY (Homecoming)	HOME
THURSDAY	9/22	MCNAIRY CENTRAL (Go Gold Game)	HOME
FRIDAY	9/30	LEXINGTON	AWAY
FRIDAY	10/7	BYE (Fall Break)	
FRIDAY	10/14	LIBERTY TECH (Pink Out Game)	HOME
FRIDAY	10/21	MILAN	AWAY
FRIDAY	10/28	P.U.R.E. YOUTH ACADEMY (Senior Night)	HOME

Game Times 7 p.m.