

COACH SPEAK

OCTOBER 2026

Bixby Spartan Football will be respected as the very best program in Oklahoma at developing student-athletes.

Dear Spartan Fans,

We are headed into the fourth quarter of the 2026 regular football season! Your #1 Spartans are 8-0 and have a huge matchup this Friday at Spartan Stadium against the undefeated #2 ranked Broken Arrow Tigers. The atmosphere should be electric!

Although we appreciate the national rankings and our #1 ranking in Oklahoma, our goal is to get better each week and play our best football heading into the playoffs. This team started the year relatively inexperienced, but by Week 9, we expect those first-year starters to be playing like veterans.

The Friday night atmosphere in Bixby is the best in Oklahoma. This year, our home games have included Military Appreciation Night, Homecoming, BYFA Youth Night, and now Senior Night this Friday. Along with Senior Night, we will recognize the 10 Bixby Public Schools teachers our seniors nominated as Teachers of the Week. Our players will recognize these teachers at our team dinner, the Quarterback Club will provide each teacher with a gift bag, and the teachers will have access to the corporate suite during the game. This is a special honor and a meaningful way to recognize the outstanding educators who make a difference in our students' lives.

With two weeks remaining in our regular-season schedule, it is important that we finish strong. The top two district finishers receive first-round playoff byes and home-field advantage in the quarterfinals. If we win out, we will be district champions.

Currently, we are averaging 49.2 points per game while allowing just 12.8. Our players continue to

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9th Grade Bixby Spartan Football

2	Giddens, Asher	45	Lay, Connor
3	Gill, Griffin	46	Champlain, Andrew
5	Gill, Graham	48	Davenport, Cory
6	Morrow, Will	49	Mendez, Erick
7	Blakenship, Brady	51	Funk, Oskar
8	McFarlin, Jordan	52	Bain, Evan
9	Fugate, Max	53	Robinson, Maddox
10	Yarbrough, Luke	54	Kamolz, Weston
11	Pankey, Jaxsun	55	Whiteley, Samuel
12	Nicholson, Forrest	56	Dingman, Connor
13	Carollo, Joseph	57	Hughes, Hunter
14	Barbay, Karson	58	Rosser, Grayson
15	Johnson, Legend	59	Daugherty, JJ
16	Traylor, Jacobi	60	Campbell, Grant
17	Bratt, Jett	61	Porter, Colton
18	Babb, Barrett	62	Ruiz, Yeren
19	Udcoff, Landon	64	Jones, Derek
20	Barber, Liam	65	Deaton, Kylor
21	White, Kolton	66	Herron, Josh
22	Serrano, Neymar	67	Novak, Samuel
23	Bryant, Herschel	68	Gilmore, Oliver
24	Pointon, Weston	69	Taylor, Jacob
25	Poe, Trevor	70	Brown, Jacari
26	Bagby, TJ	71	King, Sterling
27	Capeheart, James	73	O'Neill, Benton
28	Blankenship, Kaleb	75	Groves, Mason
29	Brazeel, Brixton	77	Smith, Glen
30	Post, Kamdon	79	Samuel, Andres
31	Embry, Vysean	80	Kramer, Drake
32	Hernandez, Zachary	82	Miles, Seth
33	Graff, Holden	83	Holmes, Hudson
34	Streck, Parker	85	Marova, Itai
35	Anderson, Pierce	86	Lee, Jace
37	Henry, Jett	87	Cason, Jett
38	Dantzler, DJ	88	Halbert, Jesse
40	Scott, Ethan	89	Cornett, Kyler
41	Hooks, Jaxson	96	Caress, Hunter
44	Fent, Henry		

October Update Continued:

improve on the field, in the weight room, and, most importantly, in the classroom. Our mission is to be respected as the very best program in Oklahoma at developing student-athletes.

Our strength and conditioning department continues to grow and build on its reputation as one of the best programs in the nation. This year, we have three full-time strength and conditioning coaches and one part-time assistant. Coach Drake Gammon leads the department, working alongside full-time assistants Ben Coates and Justin Vega, as well as part-time assistant B.J. Hodshire.

We have also added sections of seventh- and eighth-grade strength and conditioning to create an even more accessible pathway to year-round training for student-athletes in grades 7–12. We appreciate Athletic Director Kate Creekmore and Middle School Principal Rowland Vernon for helping make this vision a reality.

If you follow us on social media, you have likely seen that many of our players are committed to play college football or are being recruited to compete at the next level. Our staff takes great pride not only in developing our players but also in helping them succeed beyond high school. Each week, we post the "Rogers Report," which highlights our alumni playing college football and the schools they represent each Saturday.

If your child is interested in playing at the next level, have them visit with me or contact our recruiting coordinator, Trevor Suffal, at tsuffal@bixbyps.org for more information.

Finally, if you haven't made it out to a game yet, there is still time! Join us Friday at Lee Snider Field for our matchup against the Broken Arrow Tigers. You can also watch the game via livestream at KREF.tv or listen on 97.1 The Sports Animal. Be sure to catch our weekly Coaches Replay Show on Cox and YouTube as well.

We encourage you to support your Spartans by attending a game, visiting with our players, or joining the Bixby Quarterback Club to provide financial support. Our program is continually looking for innovative ways to better develop our student-athletes, and we appreciate the continued support of our Spartan community.

Sincerely,
Coach Montgomery

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8th Grade Bixby Spartan Football			
1	Matthew Meredith	45	Colt Patton
2	Caden Campbell	46	Tre'Shawn Mason
3	Jaxsen Jeffers	47	Jase Dilbeck
4	Kingston Lovelace	49	Grayson Reese
5	Jody Crosby	50	Wesley Brooks
6	Jase O'Neill	51	Gianni Goins
7	AJ Hooks	52	Will Morris
8	James Neely	53	Max Ozuna
9	Ryland Wolfenberger	54	Konnor Flanagan
10	Brady Balch	55	Coen Dorsey
11	Jace Moles	56	Anthony Shepherd
12	Cody Walker	57	Paul Farr
13	Keagan Ashford	57	Rylan Thomas
14	Cane Hobbs	58	Gabe Hope
15	Drake Stewart	59	Pierce Davis
16	Tarren Vance	60	Casen Baucom
17	Peyton Martinez	61	Colin Lambert
18	Jackson Madden	62	Bryant Bennett
19	Carter Keirsey	63	Bert Serna
20	Denton Huff	64	Corbin Wallace
21	Rylan Palmer	65	Derek Sanchez
22	Nico Incremona	66	Zakria Abbas
23	Wyatt Sparacia	67	Eyobed Aberra
24	Brady Mann	68	Austin Vaspra
25	Stetson Hanus	69	Ben Deffenbaugh
27	Jaylan Stoppel	70	Thang Phang
28	Rocco Peck	71	Cole Wilson
29	Carter Crow	73	Julian Olivas
30	Graham Ducker	74	Evan Randles
31	Kamble Mock	75	Hudson Ballard
32	Dristyn Crabtree-Malone	76	Owen Wallace
33	Trey Burks	77	Trent Gruenwald
34	DJ Williams	78	Hunter Mylly
35	Henry Aguilar	79	Cole Arant
36	Jeremiah Aldridge	80	Cash Dyer
38	Caden Cornish	81	Brooks Buckert
39	Braylen Roy	83	Bentley Perrymore
40	Miguel Rivera	84	Zaddek Ryan
41	Christian Patterson	87	Dalton Roberts
42	Jett Johnson	88	Jakob Castleberry
43	Carson Hernandez	92	Mason Cordero
44	Luke Wernli	95	Jack Campbell

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Chick-fil-A Bixby

If you missed the Chick-fil-A Bixby Weekly Coaches' Show, you can catch them on YouTube:

Week 0 Vs. Owasso-
Player of the Week- Connor Arant
Practice Players- Colton Treat, Jax Rice
Youth Team- 3rd Grade Blue

Week 1 Vs. Stillwater
Player of the Week- Nate Hobbs
Practice Players- Gavin Wilson, Holbrook Fowler
Youth Team- 3rd Grade White

Week 3 Vs. Jenks
Player of the Week- Kaiden Flowers
Practice Players- Connor Arant, Justin Gilmor
Youth Team of the Week- 1st Grade Red

Week 4 Vs. Mustang
Player of the Week- Ty Montgomery
Practice Players- Logan Haddon, Reed Haack
Youth Team of the Week- 7th Grade White

Week 5 vs. Westmoore
Player of the Week- Jack Gill
Practice Players- Matt Kohnstamm, Landon Fielder
Youth Team of the Week- 2nd Grade Red

Week 6 Vs. Edmond Memorial
Player of the Week- Joey Dennis
Practice Players- Landon Thienhardt, Jaden Guipttons
Youth Team of the Week- 2nd Grade Blue

Week 7 Vs. Norman North
Player of the Week- Lincoln Fugate
Practice Players- Jack Gill, Brett Kaste
Youth Team of the Week- 5th Grade White

Week 8 Vs. Edmond North
Player of the Week- Jake Nielsen
Practice Players- Miller Ousley, Jake Nielsen
Youth Team of the Week- 4th Grade Red

Teacher of the Week

BIXBY SPARTAN FOOTBALL

We would like to recognize our Bixby teachers who have already been nominated by our players for Teacher of the Week!
See the Video HERE

Janet Smith
Bixby High School- Science
Nominated By: Chris Yarbrough, Logan Haddon, Jackson Cooper

Jonathan Sutmiller
Bixby Middle School- English
Nominated By: Nate Hobbs, Cain Brackney, Brett Kaste

Keighley Lee
Bixby Middle School- Science
Nominated By: Jack Gill, Gage Cheatham, Jake Neilsen, Preston Carter

Jamie Rangel
Bixby 9th Grade Center- Spanish
Nominated By: Matt Kohnstamm, Gavin Wineland, Andrew Havens

Rebecca Halbmaier
Bixby High School- English
Nominated By: Kaeden Penny, Joey Dennis, Ty Montgomery

Michael Cox
Bixby 9th Grade Center- Spanish
Nominated By: Max Hackler, Kaiden Flowers, Lincoln Fugate

Tamara Crull
Bixby Middle School- English
Nominated By: Landon Thienhardt, Cole Seager

Jeree Gilman
Bixby High School- English
Nominated By: Ben Puckett, Jaxon Dorsey

Sebastian Davis
Bixby High School- English
Nominated By: Gavin Tipton, Sebastian Starkey, Jaden Guipttons

Lorie Heard
Bixby High School- Tech/ Graphics
Nominated By: Colton Green, Lincoln Aragona



OCTOBER S&C UPDATE

With two weeks left in the regular season and playoffs approaching, we are still taking the approach in training to not only maintain, but improve our qualities of strength, power, and tissue resiliency. With that, we will have one more window of heavy loads at 90% or greater on the bench and squat to try and peak our athletes, followed by a deload in intensities to move fast as we get into the post-season.

In addition to the last upcoming heavier week, we have strived all season long to maintain resiliency and durability by keeping our body weight up, through more body building style training, keeping more lean mass on the body. As well as, addressing through exercises, common areas of injury to put our athletes in the best position possible to remain available on the field, and feel their best as we finish the regular season and enter the playoffs.

To this point, we have seen great progress made even during in-season training. We will wait to gather more strength numbers with the upcoming 90%+ week, but outside of that, our athletes have seen great improvement in other areas as well, which will support their performance on the field. Here are a couple of the highlights of progress made during this in-season training phase:

Body Weight: On average, we have seen an average increase of +**3 lbs** of body weight in season compared to the summer.

Vertical Jump: Our team's average vertical jump has increased **+1 inch** in season.

Being able to make any number of progress on these types of metrics in-season is huge. With those numbers being averages, we have seen multiple athletes make significant gains in those areas above those averages. Maintaining and gaining body weight in season while also seeing improvement in the vertical jump likely means we're putting on lean body mass, being one of the biggest indicators for injury prevention. Again, we will get a better idea of strength gains made throughout the season after our upcoming heavier strength week at the end of the season.

Our athletes have worked extremely hard, and have been super consistent during the in-season training period, setting them up to be at their best at the end of the season and going into the playoffs.

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