# Oak Ridge War Eagle Football #TalonTakeover

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## **Meet Coach Tyler Blackshire**

#### **Coaching Experience & Philosophy**

#### Magnolia High School (Current)

- Defensive Coordinator & Assistant Head Coach
- Campus Coordinator Craig Martin & Athletic
   Director JD Berna

#### Cameron Yoe High School

- Defensive Coordinator, Recruiting Coordinator,
   Strength & Conditioning Coordinator
- Worked with 3x State Champion Head Coach Rick Rhoades

#### Austin Westlake High School

- Varsity Secondary Coach & Head Freshman
   Coach/Defensive Coordinator
- Coached back-to-back state championship football teams
- Contributed to two state tournament basketball teams
- Athletic Director Todd Dodge, Tony Salazar, and Robert Lucero



## **Meet the War Eagle Coaching Staff**





## r the History, Embrace the Future





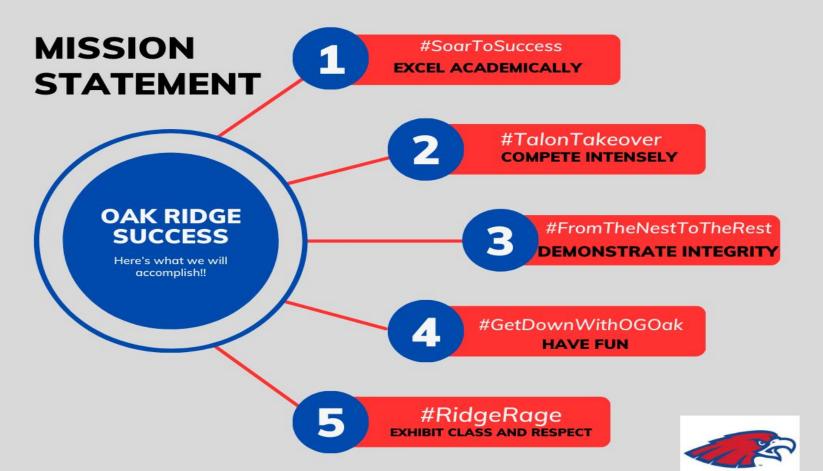
# Mission Statement

- Promote a culture of excellence to enhance the educational experience at Oak Ridge High School.
- Foster a competitive spirit through athletic opportunities for both men and women.
- **Develop the "total student-athlete"** by nurturing physical, emotional, social, and intellectual growth.
- Support individual and team sports to build well-rounded student-athletes.
- Encourage all members of the War Eagle Athletics community—coaches, staff, student-athletes, alumni, and parents—to embrace and promote our core values.
- Cultivate positive character traits through athletic participation, ensuring a lasting impact on all involved.

**#WeRWarEagles** 



## **Cultural Objectives of the War Eagle Program**



# PROGRAM VISION

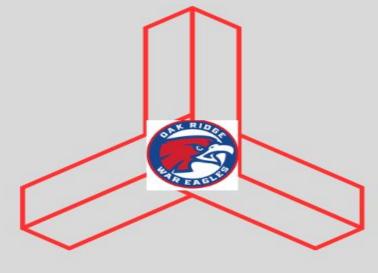
Set the Culture and Exceed the Standard "Believe in the 3 E's"

## Program Pillars



#### **Perfect Execution**

Do It Right Every Time - It only takes one time of doing it wrong, for there to be consequences! Doing it right is not easy, but it is the standard!







#### **Total Effort**

Be ALL IN- All we want is all they have to give!

### **Excitable Enthusiasm**

Be Excited About the Process- Hard work is tough! If it was meant for everyone, then everyone would do it!

## "War Eagle" Mindset vs Fixed Mindset

Adversity **Accepts challenges** Ignores challenges Learning from feedback Does not listen to Feedback and criticism criticism Skills Work harder Less effort Never give up and Persistence Easy to give up keep trying **Taking inspiration from** Threatened by others' Influence

success

others' success

# Are You Above or Below the Line?

Ownership Accountable Responsible



Blame Excuses Denial



## **Discipline Philosophy**

All members of the Oak Ridge High School Athletic program will conduct themselves with dignity and respect. It is the expectation that players, managers, and coaches will take personal responsibility for the actions and how they conduct themselves on and off the field.

#### Assumptions:

- 1. We assume that you want to be the best athlete you can be.
- 2. We assume that you want to participate in a championship program.
- 3. We assume that you intend to make the highest grades that you are capable of achieving.
- 4. We assume you want to become a better person.

## **Discipline Philosophy**

The next few slides will include specific examples that coaches will use as a guideline to enforce corrective accountability for our student athletes.

- 1. Be where you are when you're supposed to be there
- 2. Do your job in the moment
- 3. Do it with energy and enthusiasm

# **Attendance Expectations**

- Be here, every day, on time.
- If you are injured and cannot practice, come dressed out and encourage your teammates.
- If you cannot come to practice, call and let a coach know. Do not send messages through other players.
- Irregular attendance makes it difficult, and almost impossible, for you to be a part of the team.

# **Excused Absences Examples**

- Funeral (Obituary Program)
- Medical or dental appointment (Doctor's Note)
- Family emergency (Call ahead of time)
- School function (PEIMS)
- Religious function (Call ahead of time)

# **Attendance Consequences**

- Unexcused absence: 500 yards of Do-Rights / 8 crossfields.
- Excused absence: 250 yards of Do-Rights / 4 crossfields.
- Excused Tardy: 15 up downs.
- Unexcused Tardy: 50 yards of Do-Rights/ 1 Crossfields
- Only the head coach can excuse absences and late arrivals.
- Missing multiple practices without calling may result in not playing in that week's game.

# **Attitude Expectations**

- Come every day with the expectation that something great will happen.
- Be an encourager every day.
- Losers view the player/coach relationship as a competition.
- Winners view the player/coach relationship as a cooperative effort.
- Don't be cool be passionate about Oak Ridge athletics.

# **Detrimental Attitude Examples**

- Inappropriate language
- Unwilling or lazy attitude
- Disrespect to the coaching staff
- Fighting
- Negative effect on team morale

# **Attitude Consequences**

- A detrimental attitude will result in removal from practice.
- You will not compete in that week's contest.
- Playing time must be earned back to the satisfaction of the coaches and team.

## Classroom Expectations and Consequences

- Accountability: You will be held responsible for all work that your teachers ask you to complete.
  - For every assignment not turned in for a failing class, 1 crossfields/ 50 yards of Do-RIghts will be given.

- Responsibility: You are responsible for your actions. Breaking school and classroom rules are choices and must have consequences.
  - For every negative interaction reported to coaches, 2 crossfields/ 100 yards of Do-Rights will be given.

## **Effort/Competition Expectations and Consequences**

- Effort: Players are expected to give great effort every play.
  - Not giving effort will result in 1 crossfields/ 50 yards of Do-RIghts will be given.
- **Competing:** To compete means you expect, prepare, practice, and play to win. To compete means to aim higher than simply participating. To compete means to empty yourself physically and mentally to achieve victory.
  - Not competing will result in 1 crossfields/ 50 yards of Do-Rights will be given.

\*The team that gives 100% effort every play takes care of their conditioning during practice.

## **Attire, Equipment, Locker Room**

- Attire: All athletes are required to wear school purchased/approved equipment and clothing at all
  practices, Shirts will always be worn during workouts. Coaches will make the decision if the athlete
  is required to dress out or not for a workout
  - Failing to wear appropriate workout clothes will result in 1 crossfields/ 50 yards of Do-Rights, or 15 Up-Downs

- **Equipment and Uniforms:** Team uniforms, warm-ups, and equipment are the property of Oak Ridge and must be treated with care. Athletes are responsible for keeping their school-issued equipment clean and secure. Uniforms and equipment to their coach immediately following their last game or competition. Theft, loss, or damage of any equipment is the athlete's financial obligation.
  - No athlete will be allowed to check out any equipment or uniform for another sport until payment for missing or destroyed equipment is made. Letter jackets and/ or diplomas may also be withheld until all uniforms and equipment are returned.
- Locker Room: Athletes are responsible to keep your individual area clean, locked, and as a team, keep the area neat.
  - For each item picked up by a coach or lock unlocked, 1 crossfields/ 50 yards of Do-Rights will be given or 15 up downs

## Team Travel and Bus Procedures

- **Team Travel:** All team members, managers, and statisticians must use school-provided transportation for away contests. This policy is in place for liability reasons. Varsity: Will ride to and from contests, and practices together.
  - Sub-Varsity: Will ride to contests and may be signed out only by the students athletes approved parents. Parents must complete liability google form and present identification after contests to Sub-Varsity Head Coach.
  - O Sub-Varsity must have another change of clothes, because uniform must be turned in prior to departing with their parents.
    - \*Failure to do any of the above, will result in the student athlete riding back to school on team bus.

#### On the Bus:

- O Be punctual and appropriately dressed.
- Maintain minimal noise and remain seated at all times.
- No metal spikes on the bus.
- O Avoid leaving valuables on the bus.
- Limit food and beverages; clean up after yourself.

# Hazing

- **Zero Tolerance for Hazing:** No athlete shall humiliate another through jokes, initiations, or horseplay. Hazing is not tolerated in any form. Team members must actively discourage such behavior.
  - Disciplinary action per the Student Code of Conduct and Incidents will be reported to local law enforcement

## Selfishness

- Selfishness: Prioritizing personal interests over the team's well-being
- Symptoms:
  - Chronic tardiness or absence.
  - Stealing, fighting, dress code violations.
  - Class misconduct, chronic complaining.
  - Consistently selfish behavior leads to removal from the team.

## **Violations & Disciplinary Actions**

Handling Repeat Minor Violations: Missing practices, workouts, meetings; disrespectful behavior.

#### Progressive Steps:

- Meeting with head coach.
- Meeting with head and position coach.
- Meeting with coaching staff and leadership council.
- Possible dismissal from the team.

- Addressing Major Violations: Refusal to follow rules, substance abuse, arrests.
- Consequences:
  - Suspension for quarters or games.
  - Dismissal from the team.

## **Quitting The Sport Procedures**

- Commitment Expectations: Quitting is discouraged; commitment is a valuable lesson. Issues should be communicated with the coach.
- Steps to Officially Quit:
  - Notify the Position Coach, the Coordinator, and the Head Coach
  - O Schedule a conference with the athlete, parent, and coach.
  - O Quitting after the third week or dismissal without just cause may prevent participation in the next sport until the current one concludes.
  - Removal from the athletic period requires a schedule change through the counselor.
  - Re-entry into the program is at the head coach's discretion and may involve a signed contract outlining behavior expectations.

## **Athletic Lines of Communication**

**Parent / Coach Relationship:** Parenting & coaching are challenging. Strong communication benefits student-athletes. Parents deserve to understand program expectations.

#### **Parents Should Expect Coaches to Communicate:**

- Team & individual expectations
- Practice/game schedules
- Team requirements (fees, gear, off-season)
- Injury procedures
- Disciplinary actions affecting participation

#### **Coaches Expect Players to:**

- Notify coaches of schedule conflicts in advance
- Discuss concerns respectfully, even when outcomes are not ideal

#### **Parent-Coach Conversations:**

### **Appropriate Topics:**

- Treatment of their child
- Ways to improve
- Behavior concerns

#### **X** Not Appropriate:

- Playing time
- Team strategy/play calling
- Other athletes

## Setting up a Conference Procedure

- Do not approach coaches before/after contests or practices.
  - Give everyone involved in the situation time to decompress (at least 18-24 hours, before reaching out)
- Call Athletic Office (832-592-5470) to schedule a meeting during the coach's conference period.
- Contact Head Coach only after meeting with position coach and coordinator
  - My cellphone number is for excused absence emergencies only from parents, not discussing player placement.

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## **Upcoming Dates**

#### Tomorrow, July 31st: EQ Handout

- 9:00 AM Pick-Up: Returning Varsity and Seniors
- 10:00 AM Pick-Up: Juniors
- 11:00 AM Pick-Up: Sophomores
- 5:30 PM Pick- Up: Freshman

Friday, August 1st: KB3 Free Combine

Saturday, August 2nd: Pet Adoption Opportunity 12-6pm

August 4th- Freshmen Report to 9GC By 5:45am

August 11th- V/JV Team Meeting at 5:30am

**August 13th- First day of School** 

August 14th-Introduction of 25-26 Fundraiser during the period

#### August 16th- Busiest Day of the Season!!

- 7:30am-Intersquad Scrimmage
- 2pm- Media/ Picture Day
- 5pm- War Eagle Welcome

August 21st-Scrimmage @ College Station HS

August 22nd- Blitz 365 for Final Day of Fundraiser

August 23rd- Volunteer Opportunity at Nourishment for the Needy

August 27th- Helmets and Hot Dogs with Heroes

August 29th-Senior Night vs. Klein

September 1st- V/JV Practice w/ no school

**August 15th-Tentative Senior Picture Day** 

## **Projects along the way...**









## 2025 Fall Calendar

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7:00 AM-

7:20 AM-

7:30 AM-

1:00 PM-

2:00 PM-

3:00 PM

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Friday

V: Film Review/ Lift #3

Friday

Varsity Dismissed

Game #1- Home: Beat Klein!!!!

(Senior Night)

Friday

Varsity Lift #3/ Film Review

Freshmen Lift #3.5/ Film Review

JV Film Review/ Lift #3.5

Treatment

After: Players dismissed at bell

Freshmen: Lift #3/ Film Review

Varsity Report Time (White Shirt

Freshmen Lift #3.5/ Film Review

Game Day Guest Speak

Varsity Lift #3/ Film Review

JV Film Review/ Lift #3.5

Treatment in Training Room

After: Players dismissed at bell

3rd Block (5th/6th) Varsity: Lift #3/ Film Review

Saturday

Saturday

Practice #6 (Full Pads)

Upperclassmen Pictures 5:00 PM- 7:00 PM WAR EAGLE Welcome (Red Gym)

Saturday

Saturday

8:00 Treatment

Saturday

Early Out

Upperclassmen Report Time (Full Pads)

Freshmen arrive for pictures

Freshmen Pictures (Upperclassmen arrive)

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Wednesday

Uppperclassmen Report Time

Upperclassmen Practice #9

Upperclassmen Practice #9.5

Upperclassmen Report Time

Upperclassmen Dismissed

Uppperclassmen Report Time

Upperclassmen Practice #2

Upperclassmen Dismissed

Freshmen: KTF/ Run-Thru

Upperclassmen Report Time

JV: 50 in 30/ Run-Thru

Varsity Film

Varsity Lift #3

Helmets with Heroes

Wednesday

Upperclassmen Dismissed

JV: 50 in 30/ Run-Thru Freshmen: KTF/ Run-Thru

Varsity Report Time

Varsiity Run-Thru

Uppperclassmen Report Time (Shells)

Upperclassmen Practice #3- 12

Varsity: 50 in 30/6 Period Practice

Varsity Team Meeting (Sticker Party)

Varsity Day Before Team Meal

Varsity: 50 in 30/6 Period Practice

Wednesday

Upperclassmen Pre Game/ KTF

Upperclassmen Film/ Run-Thru

Upperclassmen Dismissed

Freshmen Practice #13

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5:30 AM

(Shells)

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3rd Block (5th/6th)

4th Block (7th/8th)

3:00 PM- 4:55 PM

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Week #3

In Season Week 1

Game #1

Klein

Monday

Upperclassmen Dismissed

5:45 AM- 6:45 AM Upperclassmen Practice #7

4th Block (7th/ 8th) Freshmen Lift #11 & Practice #1

Uppperclassmen Report Time (Full Pads)

Upperclassmen Report Time

Upperclassmen Practice #7.5

Varsity Scouting Report Meeting

Freshmen Lift #1 & Practice #1

Upperclassmen Practice #1

Upperclassmen Dismissed

Monday

School Holiday Varsity/JV Practices: 9/1, 10/13, 11/3, 11/4

School Holiday Freshmen Practices: 11/4

More details about these morning practices to follow

Special Teams: Kick Off & Punt

Upperclassmen Report Time (Full

Upperclassmen Dismissed

Monday

Varsity Report

Varsity Lift #1

Varsity Dismissed

JV Lift #1/ Team

Varsity Film/ Run-Thru

Upperclassmen Lift #1/ Film/ Run-Thru 3rd Block (5th/6th)

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5:30 AM

6:50 AM

2:45 PM

4:00 PM

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5:45 AM- 6:45 AM

3rd Block (5th/6th)

4th Block (7th/8th)

3:00 PM- 3:55 PM

Tuesday

Upperclassmen Dismissed

Freshmen Practice #12

Upperclassmen Report Time

Upperclassmen Practice #8.5

Upperclassmen Dismissed

Tuesday

Varsity Lift #2/ Fiilm

JV Team/ Lift #2

5:45 AM- 6:45 AM Upperclassmen Practice #8

Uppperclassmen Report Time (Full Pads

Upperclassmen Lift #2/ Film/ Run-Thru

Uppperclassmen Report Time (Full

Upperclassmen Report Time (Full

Special Teams: KOR & Punt Return

Uppperclassmen Report Time (Full Pads)

Upperclassmen Report Time (Full Pads)

Upperclassmen Practice #2.5- 11

Special Teams: KOR & Punt Return

Upperclassmen Practice #2.5-

Upperclassmen Dismissed

Tuesday

Upperclassmen Dismissed

Freshmen Practice #2- 15

Upperclassmen Dismissed

Varsity Lift #2/ Fiilm

IV Team/ Lift #2

Upperclassmen Practice #2- 12

Upperclassmen Practice #2

Upperclassmen Dismissed

Freshmen Practice #2-

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6:40 AM- 7:00 AM

3rd Block (5th/6th)

September

6:40 AM- 7:00 AM

3rd Block (5th/6th)

4th Block (7th/8th)

2:40 PM- 2:55 PM

3:00 PM- 3:30 PM

6:40 AM- 7:00 AM

3rd Block (5th/6th)

4th Block (7th/ 8th)

Thursday

Varsity Dismissed

After School: Scrimmage #1: Beat CS!!!

Thursday

Varsity Dismissed

Special Teams Meeting

Varsity KTF/ Run-Thru

JV Lift #3/ Film Review

Varsity Report Time

Thursday

Varsity Report Time (Polos)

Varsity Film/ Run-Thru

JV Lift #3/ Film Review

Freshmen Lift #3/ Film Review

Varsity Dismissed

Game #2- Away: Beat Stratford!!!!

Game Day Guest Speak Meeting

Freshmen Lift #3/ Film Review

Varsiity Pre Game/ Run-Thru

Varsity Day Before Team Meal

Varsity Team Meeting (Sticker Party)

Freshmen: KTF/ Run-Thru

Varsity Report Time (Travel Shirt)

Game Day Guest Speak Meeting

Upperclassmen: Pre Game/ Run-Thru

Varsity Special Teams Report Time

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6:30 AM

Meeting

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3rd Block (5th/6th)

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