

Hebron HAWKS

Given a full offseason to work with for the first time since he was hired as Hebron head football coach in June 2022, John Towels III used the phrase “paying the price” to motivate the Hawks as they tackled spring ball and summer strength and conditioning workouts.

Hebron was in the playoff chase until the final week of last season. The Hawks had a chance to grab the fourth seed from District 6-6A with a win over Lewisville and a Coppell win over Plano. While Hebron received help from Coppell, Lewisville completed its undefeated run through 6-6A with a 31-17 victory over the Hawks. Plano wrapped up its



PLAYER to watch

BO ONU LINEBACKER

One of five returning defensive starters for Hebron, Onu brings a unique combination of physicality, speed and a high IQ that has earned him rave reviews from other coaches in District 6-6A. Onu was named the district's defensive newcomer of the year for the 2022 season after he logged recorded 77 tackles, 11 tackles for loss, 1.5 sacks, four pass breakups, one fumble recovery, one forced fumble and one touchdown. He lists offers from Texas Tech, North Texas, UNLV, Mississippi Valley State and Bowling Green.

first playoff berth since 2017 but 5-5 Hebron was forced to watch the postseason from home.

With five starters returning on each side of the ball, Hebron will look to a mix of returners, as well as newcomers that played

either a limited role or on junior varsity last season, to give Towels III his first postseason berth as Hawks head coach.

Hebron rising junior linebacker Bo Onu is back to anchor the Hawks defense. Named the 6-6A defensive newcomer of the year for the 2022 season, Onu recorded 77 tackles, 11 tackles for loss, 1.5 sacks, four pass breakups, one fumble recovery, one forced fumble and one touchdown.

The Hawks' strength will be on defense. Hebron will be particularly strong up front with juniors William Cole, Daylon Owens, Hudson Hill and Clay Lindmark leading the way in the trenches. Senior safeties Connor Dean and Dylan Goodrich, and senior defensive back Garrison Blair bring plenty of experience to the Hawk secondary.

Offensively, there are battles



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at the skill positions. Senior Evan Enderlin and juniors PJ Crayton and Eli Mitchell look to earn the starting job at quarterback, a position that was held last season by Braxton Baker. The Hawks will operate by committee at both running back and wide receiver after they lost 941 rushing yards from Bryson Spriggs and more than 1,900 receiving yards

and 21 touchdowns between alums Trenton Bronaugh, Case Holleron and Micah Greene.

Towels III has been impressed by sophomore Tyler Hoke, senior Hudson Brock, junior Sheldon Armor and junior Kaden Randle. Brock is expected to move to slot receiver after playing at running back last season.

Varsity SCHEDULE

Aug. 25	Dallas Jesuit	Brian Brazil Stadium	7 p.m.
Sept. 1	Wylie	Wylie ISD Stadium	7 p.m.
Sept. 8	Northwest Eaton	Brian Brazil Stadium	7 p.m.
Sept. 15	BYE		
Sept. 22	Marcus	Marauder Stadium	7 p.m.
*Sept. 29	Plano East	Brian Brazil Stadium	7 p.m.
Oct. 6	Plano	Clark Stadium	7 p.m.
Oct. 13	Flower Mound	Neal E. Wilson Stadium	7 p.m.
Oct. 20	Coppell	Brian Brazil Stadium	7 p.m.
Oct. 27	Plano West	Clark Stadium	7 p.m.
Nov. 3	Lewisville	Brian Brazil Stadium	7 p.m.

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