

Dallas Christian CHARGERS

Dallas Christian has an argument for being the most successful football program of any private school in Texas high school history.

From 1985-1998, the Chargers captured seven state championships and they added title No. 8 in 2008.

The decade that followed featured a number of close calls and heartbreakers, but more recently, Dallas Christian has returned to its perch atop the state mountain.

After winning their first championship in 13 years two seasons ago, the Chargers went back-to-back, defending that crown with a 13-1 campaign that culminated in the TAPPS Division III championship.



PLAYER to watch

WILL NETTLES

WIDE RECEIVER / DEFENSIVE BACK

Nettles is a top college prospect that already holds several Division I offers and it is not hard to see why. Last season, Nettles averaged 25.1 yards per catch, hauling in 58 receptions for 1,455 yards and 20 touchdowns and he also rushed for 205 yards and three scores. He was just as impactful on defense, with 42 tackles, with two for loss, six interceptions and a pair of fumble recoveries, and if that was not enough, he also handled return duties where he scored a pair of touchdowns.

Now, Dallas Christian turns its attention to its first three-peat since 1985-1987, and its 11th championship overall, and it has a great chance with 12 returning starters.

The Chargers have one of the

most dynamic players in Texas in senior Will Nettles, a top Division I prospect.

Nettles is an all-state honoree on both sides of the ball, as last season he had 58 receptions for 1,455 yards and 20 touchdowns while also rushing for five scores and he also led the secondary from his defensive back position.

Junior quarterback Luke Carney was a first-team all-state selection who completed 68% of his passes for 2,409 yards and 24 touchdowns while rushing for 918 yards and nine scores.

Dallas Christian has a first-team all-state anchor on the line in senior Porter Nix, who graded out at 95% last season, and he is flanked by seniors Aidan Wurz and Garrett Blasingame.

There are plenty of standouts on the other side of the ball, as



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well.

Senior Chris Scott was a first-team all-state pick at linebacker after posting a team-high 91 tackles, with six for loss.

Senior D.J. Lampkins is also a force in the middle, recording 89 tackles, with six for loss.

Devontay High, at 6-3 and 315

pounds, can control the line of scrimmage, where he had 82 tackles, with eight for loss, and six sacks as part of an all-state campaign a year ago, and senior Nick Barr is a contributor both on the defensive line and at running back.

Varsity SCHEDULE

Aug. 25	Bishop Dunne	Wheeler Field	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 1	Ouachita Christian (La.)	Ouachita Christian	7 p.m.
Sept. 8	Toler	Rattlers Stadium	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 15	Bishop Dunne	Wheeler Field	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 22	Fort Worth Nolan	Doskocil Stadium	7 p.m.
*Sept. 29	Fort Worth Christian	Wheeler Field	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 6	Dallas Covenant	Wheeler Field	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 13	Dallas HSAA	Dallas HSAA	7:45 p.m.
Oct. 20	Bullard Brook Hill	Herrington Stadium	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 27	McKinney Christian Academy	Wheeler Field	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 3	BYE		

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