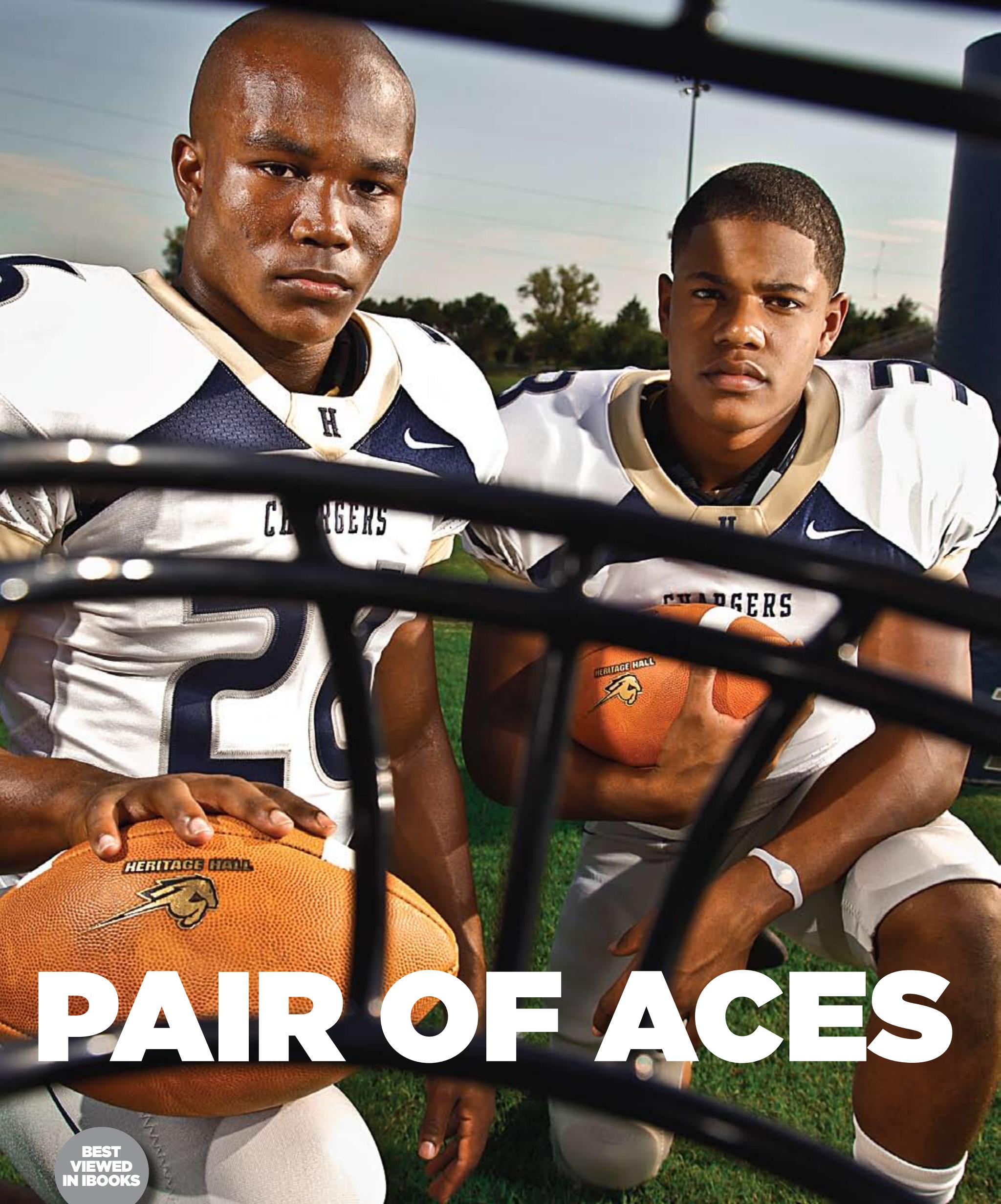


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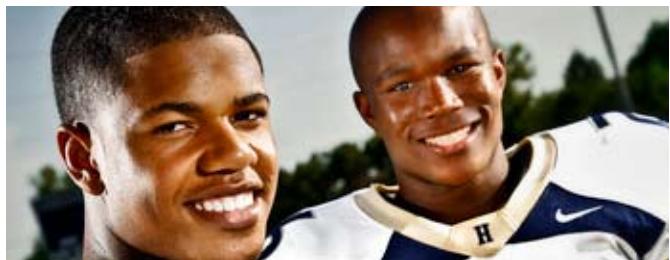
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**Heritage Hall's Barry J. Sanders  
and Sterling Shepard.**

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# Blast from the past

Pair like Sanders, Shepard hasn't been seen since the mid-1990s

BY RYAN ABER | STAFF WRITER

**H**ere's how long it's been since Oklahoma has seen a duo like Heritage Hall's Barry J. Sanders and Sterling Shepard — the Class 6A champion was someone other than Jenks or Tulsa Union.

In the mid-90s, Midwest City had the dynamic back-field tandem of Vernon Maxwell and Rodney Rideau terrorizing defenses (and offenses, as both played two ways).

As a senior, Maxwell ran for 1,680 yards and 19 touchdowns. Rideau, primarily serving as Maxwell's blocker at fullback, had 601 yards and seven touchdowns that same year.

In 1995, they led the Bombers to their second consecutive Class 6A title, the last won by someone other than Jenks or Union.

Maxwell and Rideau made their names at Midwest City, and players like Emmanuel Maxwell, Vernon's nephew who was an All-State player in 2009 for the Bombers, and Darwin Rideau, Rodney's cousin who starred with Star Spencer the same

year, have carried on those names.

Sanders and Shepard, though, already had a standard to live up to when they arrived.

Sanders carrying the same first name as his father, the legendary OSU and NFL Hall of Fame running back.

Shepard is the son of former OU and NFL wide receiver Derrick Shepard.

And while both have a long ways to go to live up to the lofty standards set by their fathers, they've accomplished plenty at the high school level.

There have been plenty of other electrifying duos since Maxwell and Rideau tore up opponents. Southmoore had Julian Wilson and Austin Haywood two years ago. Millwood had Josh Turner and Kevonte Richardson last year.

But Sanders and Shepard are even better.

Sanders burst onto the scene as a freshman, with a 64-yard touchdown run against Lincoln Christian.



Heritage Hall's Barry J. Sanders and Sterling Shepard.

PHOTO BY CHRIS LANDSBERGER, THE OKLAHOMAN

Sanders broke multiple tackles and hurdled another defender on his way to the end zone. Video of the run was aired on ESPN SportsCenter less than a week later and quickly racked up more than one million views on YouTube.

Shepard's introduction into the limelight in his own right came with much less fanfare.

After a solid sophomore season that included injury problems, Shepard opened

last season with a dominating performance in the Chargers' 35-16 win over Casady.

Shepard showed his versatility in that game, returning an interception 66 yards for a touchdown, catching a touchdown pass and running for a 25-yard score.

If both can stay healthy this season, Sanders and Shepard could go down among the best offensive duos in state high school history.

## PAST DYNAMIC DUOS

Years before Barry J. Sanders and Sterling Shepard were putting fear in defenses, Midwest City had Vernon Maxwell and Rodney Rideau.

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# DE Onuoha catching eye of colleges

Edmond Santa Fe standout impressed at Oklahoma camp

BY JASON KERSEY | STAFF WRITER

**EDMOND** — Colleges are starting to take notice of Edmond Santa Fe's Michael Onuoha after his performance at Oklahoma's camp this summer.

The 6-foot-7, 225-pound defensive end and receiver has moved into The Oklahoman's Super 30 at No. 29.

He said he's received interest from Oklahoma, Missouri and Tulsa so far.

"The only camp I really went to this summer was the OU camp," Onuoha said. "I did pretty well. ... They want to see more footage of me before they make any offer."

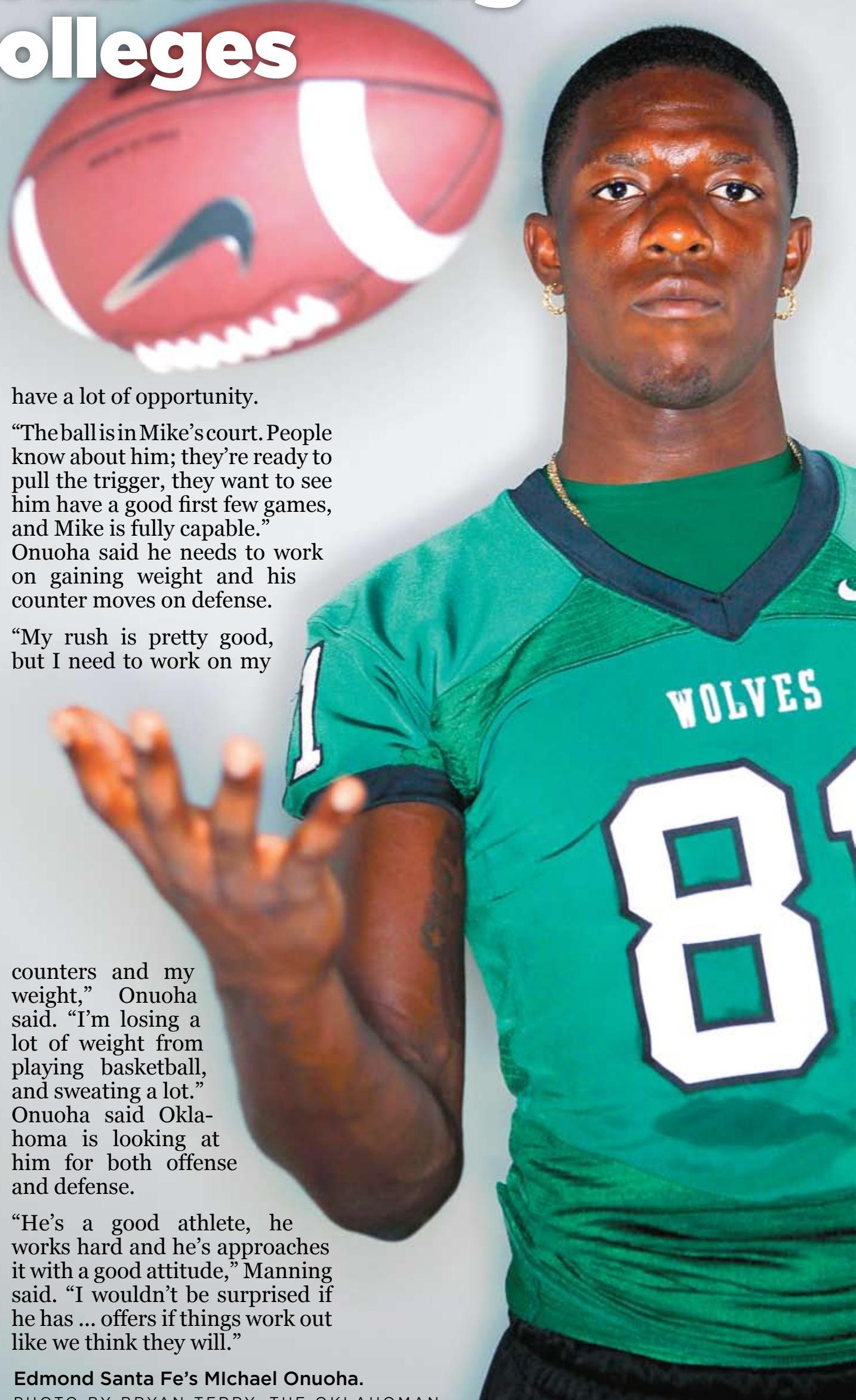
Onuoha missed a good chunk of his junior season after separating his shoulder in 2010. Also a standout basketball player, he returned in time for the Wolves' hoops season. He hit 63.8 percent of his field goal attempts and averaged 8.1 points and 6.3 rebounds per game.

Onuoha said playing football in college is his first choice.

"I'd rather go for football, but if for some odd reason something doesn't happen with football, basketball will be my secondary," Onuoha said.

Edmond Santa Fe coach Lance Manning said Onuoha will have lots of opportunity if he performs well during the early part of the season.

"Mike is a talent," Manning said. "If he can have a good first half of the season, I think Mike is going to



have a lot of opportunity.

"The ball is in Mike's court. People know about him; they're ready to pull the trigger, they want to see him have a good first few games, and Mike is fully capable."

Onuoha said he needs to work on gaining weight and his counter moves on defense.

"My rush is pretty good, but I need to work on my

counters and my weight," Onuoha said. "I'm losing a lot of weight from playing basketball, and sweating a lot." Onuoha said Oklahoma is looking at him for both offense and defense.

"He's a good athlete, he works hard and he's approaches it with a good attitude," Manning said. "I wouldn't be surprised if he has ... offers if things work out like we think they will."

**Edmond Santa Fe's Michael Onuoha.**

PHOTO BY BRYAN TERRY, THE OKLAHOMAN

# The Oklahoman's Super 30

## For the class of 2012

### **1. Barry Sanders, RB, Heritage Hall, 5-11, 190 (1)**

Sanders has targeted Oklahoma State, Alabama, Florida State and Stanford as his top choices.

### **2. Alex Ross, RB, Jenks, 6-1, 220 (2)**

Oklahoma commit is right on Sanders' heels in competition to be state's top prospect.

### **3. Sterling Shepard, WR, Heritage Hall, 5-10, 175 (3)**

Son of former Sooner Derrick Shepard jumped at OU offer when it came.

### **4. Donovan Roberts, RB, Norman, 6-0, 195 (4)**

Arkansas-bound power back ready to show the west side can compete at the top of Class 6A.

### **5. Cayman Bundage, OL, Douglass, 6-2, 280 (5)**

Arizona commit spent offseason slimming down and rebuilding with muscle.

### **6. Blake Belcher, OL, Guthrie, 6-6, 271 (6)**

The Bluejays' monster offensive tackle committed to Tulsa on Aug. 19.

### **7. Ashton Henderson, DT, Jenks, 6-1, 310 (7)**

Louisville has been in strong pursuit of this powerful DT.

### **8. Kevin Peterson, DB, Wagoner, 5-11, 170 (13)**

Arizona offered in March and other mid-majors have followed, including Tulsa.

### **9. Michael Thomas, DB, Lawton MacArthur, 6-1, 215 (11)**

Tulsa commit has Lawton Mac ready to make noise in 5A again this season.

### **10. Ricky Reeves, DB, Midwest City, 5-11, 175 (8)**

The Bomber defense will be among the state's best and this shutdown CB is a big reason why.

### **11. Casey Curtis, RB, Putnam City, 5-9, 185 (12)**

The PC speedster is playing cornerback this year, too.

### **12. Ramsey Hamilton, QB, Beggs, 6-2, 180 (9)**

Has the skills to be a college QB, but could be recruited to some big programs as an athlete.

### **13. Daniel Burton, OL, Putnam City North, 6-4, 270 (17)**

Collection of offers ranging from Arizona to Iowa State, with state schools showing strong interest as well.

### **14. Andrew Long, RB, Southmoore, 5-10, 185 (14)**

Air Force was the first to offer the latest Southmoore stud.

### **15. Victor Williams, DB, Muskogee, 5-9, 165 (15)**

Dartmouth has offered, and some Division I programs are showing interest.

### **16. Conner Sherwood, LB, Cascia Hall, 6-3, 220 (18)**

Another member of a strong class of Tulsa commits in Bill Blankenship's first year.

### **17. Damian Gibson, TE/DE, Tulsa East Central, 6-3, 220 (10)**

Will be vital on both sides of the ball on a team loaded with college prospects.

### **18. Sheldon Wilson, RB, Anadarko, 5-10, 170 (16)**

What will the Warrior star do to follow up last year's 2,798 yards and 49 TDs?

### **19. Zac Veatch, TE/DE, Broken Arrow, 6-4, 250 (19)**

Size, strength and athletic ability to play several positions in college.

### **20. Cole Swayze, ATH, Purcell, 6-1, 205 (23)**

Looks like he's fully recovered from last year's ACL injury.

### **21. Kason Key, QB, Owasso, 6-4, 215 (21)**

On the radar of several schools with his prototypical QB body and strong arm.

### **22. Keon Hatcher, WR, Owasso, 6-2, 195 (27)**

Key's top receiving target recently settled on Arkansas as his college choice.

### **23. Corben Jones, QB, Yukon, 6-2, 195 (24)**

Has his sights set on bigger things after quarterbacking the Millers to eight wins last year.

### **24. Brandon Taylor, QB, Mustang, 6-2, 225 (28)**

Oregon State has extended a verbal offer; schools like Missouri and Tulsa are watching closely as well.

### **25. Jared Collins, DB, Tulsa Washington, 5-10, 170 (NR)**

Speedy nephew of former Sooner running back Patrick Collins committed to Arkansas.

### **26. Markus Wakefield, DL, Heritage Hall, 6-1, 270 (25)**

Colorado State got in on him early, and some Big 12 programs are pursuing him.

### **27. George Kittle, WR, Norman, 6-4, 195 (30)**

Air Force is on board with more offers to come for this athletic wide-out.

### **28. Justin Wilson, DT, Luther, 6-1, 328 (NR)**

Moved back to Luther after playing last year in Georgia; has Tulsa, Ohio offers.

### **29. Michael Onuoha, WR/DE, Edmond Santa Fe, 6-7, 225 (NR)**

Known as a basketball prospect for a couple seasons, Onuoha is getting noticed on the football field now, too.

### **30. Marc Robinson, LB, Millwood, 5-11, 225 (29)**

Hungry for the chance to get back on the field after sitting out last year because of transfer rules.

## CLASS 6A

# Thunder & lightning

Benway brings punishing running style: Tudman has the speed

BY JASON KERSEY |  
STAFF WRITER

**EDMOND** — When Jarion Tudman moved from Amarillo, Texas, to Edmond before the start of the 2010 season and saw Edmond North running back Jared Benway, he was reminded of a former NFL star known for his punishing running style.

"When I saw him the first time, I thought, 'There's a big Mike Alstott-looking dude,'" Tudman said with a laugh.

For his part, Benway was impressed with his new teammate's speed.

"I was amazed by how fast he was," Benway said. "He runs a 4.3 (40-yard dash), and that's the thing we really need in the backfield is that kind of speed."

Benway had 67 carries, 294 yards and seven touchdowns as a sophomore, and came into 2010 as the presumptive featured back.

With Tudman's sprinter's speed and Benway's strength and physicality, the Huskies' run attack was set for big things with the junior duo.

But during preseason practices, Benway went down with a broken leg that ended his season before it even began.

"It was tough," Benway said. "I was really looking forward to that season, but I just encouraged Jarion, and he went out and had a great year."

Tudman rushed for 1,299 yards and nine touchdowns in 2010 while embracing and learning from his injured teammate.

"I knew we had a big threat over there, and I wished he was playing," Tudman said. "But I embraced him, took some of his technique and used it to my ability. He gave me some good coaching points.



Edmond North's Jarion Tudman and Jared Benway.  
PHOTO BY DOUG HOKE, THE OKLAHOMAN

He's been a great asset to me."

Benway is back for his senior season, fully healed and ready to go. "This year we're gonna be a dynamic duo," Tudman said.

"It's a luxury to have," Edmond North coach Jeremy Dombek said. "They've each got to get their touches. They are different types of running backs."

The duo can be used in a variety of ways. The Huskies can play with both of them in the backfield, with Benway lead blocking for Tudman, or can put Tudman in the slot, where he can catch the ball in the open field and put his lightning speed to use.

"We look forward to seeing how creative we can be from an offensive standpoint," Dombek said.

Tudman said if everything goes according to plan, he expects both of them to hit the 1,000-yard rushing mark in 2011.

"Jared is so hungry," Dombek said. "I've never seen a kid that wants to play high school football as bad as Jared Benway right now. He's really, really worked his tail off. He's ready to go."

## DUO THEY MOST RESEMBLE

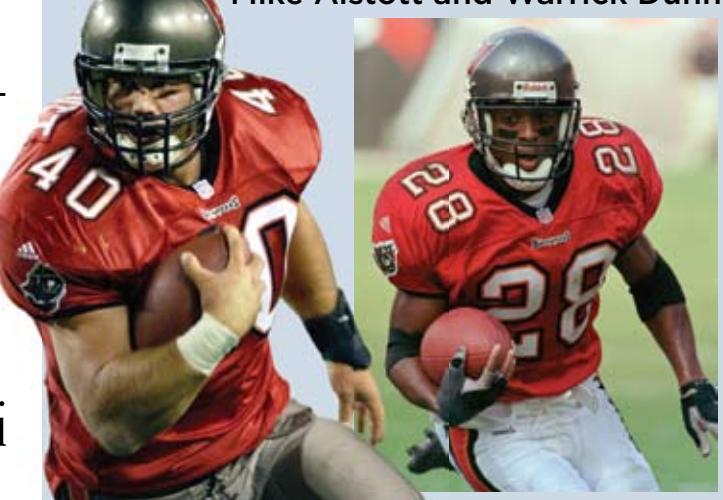
**Former Tampa Bay Buccaneer running backs Mike Alstott and Warrick Dunn**

Edmond North's Jarion Tudman said that when he first met Jared Benway, he thought of former Tampa Bay Buccaneers fullback Mike Alstott, which we assume would make Tudman the Huskies' version of Warrick Dunn.

Alstott and Dunn were dynamic in the Buccaneers' backfield together from 1997-2001. Alstott was the thunder; Dunn the lightning.

During their time together in Tampa, the duo combined for 7,805 yards and 54 touchdowns.

Mike Alstott and Warrick Dunn



# Jenks, Tulsa Union on top again

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### 1. Jenks (13-1)

Senior RB Alex Ross is the headliner for the once-again stacked Trojans.

### 2. Tulsa Union (13-1)

Defending state champion Redskins open season at home vs. Louisiana power Evangel Christian.

### 3. Midwest City (10-1)

Bombers are loaded with talent, speed and experience.

### 4. Broken Arrow (9-3)

Senior TE/DE Zac Veatch caught eight touchdowns last season.

### 5. Lawton (12-1)

Junior DL D.J. Ward had nine sacks last season.

### 6. Norman (8-3)

Senior RB Donovan Roberts headlines a strong Tigers offense.

### 7. Owasso (8-5)

Senior WR Keon Hatcher, an Arkansas commit, had over 1,000 yards receiving and nine TDs last season.

### 8. Mustang (7-4)

Senior QB Brandon Taylor threw for over 3,300 yards and 36 TDs as a junior.

### 9. Yukon (8-3)

Millers return seven starters after having their best season in more than a decade last year.

### 10. Southmoore (6-4)

Senior Andrew Long and junior Kartrell Henderson are a tough 1-2 RB combo.

### 11. Edmond North (6-6)

Huskies return 14 starters from last year's quarterfinal team.

### 12. Lawton Eisenhower (8-4)

Senior QB Adrian McDonald and WR Tre Douglas are both getting D-I interest.

### 13. Edmond Santa Fe (1-9)

Expect talented Wolves to drastically improve from last year's one-win campaign.

### 14. Muskogee (5-6)

Senior WR/DB Victor Williams is a top prospect.

### 15. Bartlesville (7-4)

Senior FB/LB Jack Wiseman has received interest from Navy and Air Force.

### 16. Edmond Memorial (6-5)

Senior Ry Huff takes over QB duties full-time for the Bulldogs; inexperienced OL is a concern.

### 17. Del City (5-5)

Eagles are a fast, but young, team that will drop to 5A next year.

### 18. Bixby (5-6)

Senior QB T.J. Eckert threw for 2,400 yards and 20 TDs last season.

### 19. Enid (6-4)

Plainsmen coach Tommy Parker calls senior Mitchell Foote "one of the best receivers in the state."

### 20. Westmoore (6-6)

Jaguars return eight starters on offense and five on defense.

### 21. Sand Springs

Sandites return nine starters on offense.

### 22. Putnam City (6-4)

Senior RB Casey Curtis is one of the state's top backs.

### 23. Putnam North (4-6)

Senior RB Dre Holman and senior OL Daniel Burton are two of the class' top players.

### 24. Stillwater (1-9)

Senior QB Jerame Littell has two dynamic receivers in Cory Hassell and Jesse Vester.

### 25. Norman North (3-7)

Junior RB Bryan Payne will be the T-Wolves' featured back under new coach Wade Standley.

### 26. Choctaw (3-7)

Yellowjackets have two tough linebackers in seniors Marceese Dickson and Luke Catron.

### 27. Moore (0-10)

Lions return 13 starters, including senior receivers Grant Linstead and Jordan Martin.

### 28. Ponca City (1-9)

Senior QB Brent Wilson is getting D-I interest.

### 29. Putnam West (1-9)

Three offensive linemen return for the Patriots.

### 30. Shawnee (3-7)

Wolves return to Class 5A in 2012.

### 31. Sapulpa (4-6)

Chieftains return senior QB Tyler Williams, who threw for nearly 2,000 yards and 19 TDs last year.

### 32. U.S. Grant (0-10)

Senior Carlos Morales is a first-year starter at QB.



Alex Ross,  
Jenks running back.

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CLASS 5A

# Unlikely pair

## Guthrie's Bryan Dutton and Landry Chappell bonded over sports

BY RYAN ABER | STAFF

**L**andry Chappell and Bryan Dutton have been close for almost as long as they can remember.

When Chappell was in third grade and Dutton in second, Dutton's father asked Chappell's father why his son was "so crazy."

"My dad told him it was because of wrestling," Chappell said. "That's when he got started with that sport."

Sports have been the centerpiece of their friendship, first with football, then wrestling and baseball. Especially now that they're in high school, they see each other constantly between practices, games and workouts.

"We've been best friends ever since around third or fourth grade," Dutton said. "When you're around a person for 14 years, you get to know them pretty personally. We've just kind of bonded over sports."

Dutton, Guthrie's junior quarterback, is the unquestioned leader of the offense, even as an underclassman. He's started at the position since he was a freshman and threw for 2,400 yards last year for the 11-2 Blue Jays.

Chappell, a four-year starter, has the same role on Guthrie's defense.

Last season, he had 178 tackles and five sacks.

"Ever since we were little kids, he's always been one of the best if not the best kids on any of the teams we've been on, whether it's football, basketball or wrestling," Dutton said.

"I think I could be even better if I just played one, but I just love being in competition too much to give up," Chappell said. "I might not be the most athletic guy on the team, but I'll do anything I can to find a way to win."



Guthrie's Bryan Dutton and Landry Chappell.  
PHOTO BY DOUG HOKE, THE OKLAHOMAN

Dutton was named an All-American in baseball and will likely have opportunities to play any of his three sports in college.

"In Guthrie, football is everything," he said. "I don't know what I'm going to play in college, but football is so big up here, and it's so much fun being a part of this team."

Even though he's been a leader in the past, by virtue of his position if nothing else, there will be extra pressure on Dutton this season with Kentrell Brothers and Devonte McCullly, his two top targets from last season, having graduated. Brothers went on to Missouri while McCullly is at East Central.

"Any pressure is good pressure, I guess," Dutton said. "I had a lot of weapons around me last year. This year, it's going to be more on me, and I'm going to have to make plays with my feet more often."

For Chappell, his main goal is breaking through from being a contender to being a football champion.

"I want to get to the show instead of being right outside," he said. "We're not the most athletic team but we're one of the toughest and work the hardest. We're tired of getting beat when it matters."

### DUO THEY MOST RESEMBLE

#### Oscar Madison and Felix Unger, *The Odd Couple*

Guthrie's Bryan Dutton and Landry Chappell are certainly different.

Late one night, Dutton decided to shave the sides of his head and cut a star in one side and his initials in the other.

Chappell said he'd never consider doing such a thing.

"My mom would kill me," he said.

Dutton is the offensive leader for the Bluejays. Chappell is Guthrie's defensive face.

But while the pair are in different classes, have different personalities and bring different attributes to the field, they spend as much time together as any duo around.

Through football, baseball and wrestling seasons, Dutton and Chappell are together.



Oscar (Jack Klugman) and Felix (Tony Randall) from the TV show "The Odd Couple."  
AP PHOTO

# Tulsa East Central in top spot

**CLASS 5A RANKINGS** Go to [NewsOK.com/varsity](http://NewsOK.com/varsity) for schedules



Tulsa East Central's Damian Gibson (24) looks toward the Cardinals' bench during the Class 5A quarterfinal game against Carl Albert at East Side Sports Complex, in Tulsa, on Friday, Nov. 19, 2010. PHOTO BY CORY YOUNG, TULSA WORLD

## 1. Tulsa East Central (12-2)

TE/DE Damian Gibson headlines a very deep, very talented team.

## 2. Guthrie (11-2)

All of the Bluejays' OL returns from last year's semifinal team.

## 3. Carl Albert (9-3)

Perennial powers will once again be near the top in 5A

## 4. McAlester (10-2)

Buff could be poised for title run with 10 returners on each side, including QB Tony Kiefer.

## 5. Tulsa Washington (13-1)

With just two offensive starters returning, the Hornets will need new faces to step up to defend title.

## 6. Lawton MacArthur (10-3)

Junior RB Darius Graham is one of the state's top underclassmen.

## 7. Coweta (9-3)

Most of last season's breakout team returned.

## 8. Deer Creek (8-4)

QB Joel Blumenthal's continued development lifts Antlers.

## 9. Ada (5-6)

With six returning starters on offense, Cougars could make run if young line comes together.

## 10. Ardmore (6-5)

With 10 returners on defense, Tigers figure to be tough to score on.

## 11. Duncan (5-6)

DE Michael Buben is one of seven returners on the defensive side.

## 12. Tulsa Kelley (5-6)

Injuries held Comets back last year, but there's still plenty of talent at Kelley.

## 13. Grove (7-4)

QB Adam Steffenson threw for more than 2,000 yards last season.

## 14. Claremore (4-7)

Running back Chase Talbert sets the tone for the Zebras.

## 15. Durant (5-6)

The defensive line, especially on the outsides, figures to be a strength.

## 16. El Reno (4-6)

Shawn Mason takes over a team that returns seven offensive and eight defensive starters.

## 17. Noble (2-7)

To improve on last year's mark, Bears will have to get production from young talent.

## 18. Chickasha (2-7)

Tom Cobble takes over Chicks after three seasons at El Reno.

## 19. Altus (5-5)

The defensive backfield figures to be a strength for the Bulldogs.

## 20. Collinsville (3-7)

Cardinals must fill holes on defense in order to compete in top-heavy district.

## 21. Skiatook (4-7)

A strong group of returning LBs leads Bulldogs' defense.

## 22. Tulsa Central (5-5)

QB Milton Harper is one of the fastest players in the state.

## 23. Tahlequah (2-8)

Young team needs to find breakout players to compete in tough district.

## 24. Tulsa Memorial (4-6)

The Chargers have the potential to break through and make the playoffs for the first time since 1989.

## 25. Pryor (4-6)

The season finale against Tulsa Central could be for a playoff spot.

## 26. Tulsa Hale (3-7)

Anthony Fogle's squad could benefit from the Tulsa Public Schools' consolidation.

## 27. Southeast (3-7)

The Spartans' offensive line is key to success.

## 28. Tulsa Edison (2-8)

DE Josh Jones is part of a solid defensive line.

## 29. Western Heights (2-8)

The Jets figure to be strongest up front, with a solid corps of linemen.

## 30. Northwest (2-8)

WR Terry Arnold gives Knights a legitimate threat.

## 31. Capitol Hill (1-9)

QB Luis Leyva is one of the Redskins returning starters.

## CLASS 4A

# Douglass' 'E.F. Huttons'

When Stoner and Bundage talk, their teammates listen

BY SCOTT WRIGHT | STAFF WRITER

**D**ouglass coach Willis Alexander holds a standard of expectations for what his players should be, how they should behave and what they have to do to succeed.

If you're curious what those expectations entail, just watch Trojan seniors Cayman Bundage and Jas'Sen Stoner.

Not only are Bundage and Stoner two of the most important Trojans on Friday nights, they exemplify what Alexander wants his program to represent — and the coach is very specific about where it all starts.

"First of all, they're both great students. They're both gonna have a core GPA over 3.6," Alexander said. "I don't have teachers calling me about their behavior or them not doing their work. The academic side is something I don't have to worry about."

From there, it trickles over to the weight room, the locker room, the practice field.

"I trust they're gonna be where they're supposed to be and do everything they're supposed to do," Alexander said. "I don't have to watch them to make sure, because they're gonna do it. They're dependable, reliable. They love being a part of this team, this program and this family."

Bundage, a 6-foot-2, 280-pound lineman, has verbally committed to Arizona. He'll play a vital role for the Trojans at offensive and defensive tackle — but especially on offense, where Douglass has been among the state's top rushing teams the last three years.

Stoner, a 6-foot-1, 205-pound linebacker, was the team's leading tackler with 160 during last year's Class 4A state championship run. Air Force and some other Division-I programs have



already expressed interest.

The two were in eighth grade when Alexander took over five years ago.

"It's gonna be hard for me to lose those two," Alexander said. "I remember when they came in as babies. Now they're getting ready to play their senior year and head off to college."

This year, Bundage and Stoner are seniors, and thus, leaders. But neither of them is going out of his way to draw attention to himself in that role. They're each leading like they always have — with actions.

"They're not rah-rah guys," Alexander said. "But they're like E.F. Hutton — when they talk, people listen."

Bundage and Stoner don't have loud, boisterous personalities, so they don't try to be something they're not.

"When we all get together, I'll talk, but when the time comes, I just lead by example," Stoner said. "I try to go hard every day, come to school on time, do all my work — just be an example on the field and off the field."

Players who came before them, like Quinton Neil, Corey Mitchell, Stanley Johnson and others, laid the groundwork for their behavior, and they're trying to do the same thing for the Trojans who follow them.

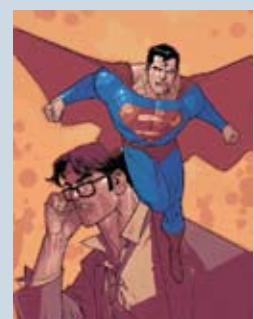
"Doing things right has a lot to do with the pride of being a Trojan," Bundage said. "You've got to lead by example. If the younger kids see you doing it, they'll do it, too, and that's what builds your program."

Comments like that are a sign to Alexander that he's building his program the right way.

"Hopefully we can keep pressing on and keep the program at a high, competitive level," Alexander said. "If along the way, we have a chance to win another state championship, good. But our most important goal here is to educate these kids and get them ready for life."

## DUO THEY MOST RESEMBLE Superman and Clark Kent

Douglass seniors Cayman Bundage and Jas'Sen Stoner are like two sides of the same person. They both do things right, make a grades, show up to practice on time. Each is a leader in his own right.



On the football field, their differing styles show through. Stoner, a middle linebacker, flies around on the field, making big hits and touchdown-saving tackles. With a team-best 160 stops last season, Stoner seemed to always be there when his team needed him.

Bundage's play is less flashy. More of a workman's style, using a quiet strength to overpower opponents and get the job done. And you probably wouldn't want to be stuck in a phone booth with him.

# Douglass is looking to repeat

## CLASS 4A RANKINGS

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### **1. Douglass (12-2)**

The Trojans are trying to fill the gaps from last year's strong senior class and repeat as state champs.

### **2. Wagoner (13-1)**

The Bulldogs will have a new QB, but return a variety of talent all over the field.

### **3. Glenpool (9-3)**

RB Alton Adkins will anchor the offense once again.

### **4. Catoosa (10-3)**

Trying to build off last year's run to the state semifinals.

### **5. Clinton (10-2)**

The Red Tornadoes are reloading again, especially at RB with senior Ja-lee Rainge.

### **6. McGuinness (8-3)**

New coach Justin Jones is trying to build on McGuinness' recent success.

### **7. Broken Bow (12-1)**

A new QB, but RB Eric Dockins anchors the offense after rushing for 1,400 yards.

### **8. Sallisaw (7-4)**

QB Ben Oberste returns to build on a strong sophomore campaign.

### **9. Elk City (8-3)**

With four returning starters on each side of the ball, the Elks will count on several new faces.

### **10. Oologah (10-2)**

Graduated a lot of depth, but still dangerous with QB Zach Cantwell running the show.

### **11. Elgin (8-4)**

QB Garrett Lorah is back after leading 4A in passing a year ago

### **12. Harrah (8-3)**

Looking to build momentum off last year's 7-0 start.

### **13. Hilldale (7-4)**

An offense with a good mix of power and speed makes Hilldale a potential top-10 team.

### **14. Vinita (7-4)**

Several returning players in crucial positions, starting with QB/DB Jake Roach.

### **15. Poteau (3-7)**

Coach Jeff Broyles has plenty of talent to work with at the skill positions.

### **16. Cleveland (6-4)**

Junior QB Chas Stallard could be on the verge of a breakout season.

### **17. Tecumseh (5-6)**

Strong in the offensive skill positions with several new starters on the line.



Douglass receiver Marcus Caddell gets some facemask as he pushes off the tackle by Wagoner's Beau Barton in the 4A state championship game at Boone Pickens Stadium in Stillwater Nov. 4, 2010.

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### **18. Fort Gibson (4-7)**

Last year, RB Jake Gandara broke the school's single-season rushing record held by Teddy Lehman.

### **19. Woodward (5-5)**

Will face former coach Justin Jones with a trip to McGuinness Sept. 30.

### **20. Miami (3-7)**

Success will be dictated by the ability of the run game, led by RB Kyle Jolley.

### **21. Piedmont (3-7)**

Got a boost when RB Cassius Calhoun was ruled eligible by the OSSAA after transferring from Casady.

### **22. Tulsa McLain (2-8)**

An experienced team will get a boost from the return of TE/DE Keith Doyle, injured in Week 4 last year.

### **23. McLoud (1-9)**

With a thin senior class, underclassmen will be vital.

### **24. Cushing (2-8)**

RB Dawson Myers was among the top rushers in 4A last year.

### **25. Muldrow (3-7)**

The Bulldogs don't have a lot of experience, but excitement is high under new

coach Rob Johnson.

### **26. Cache (2-8)**

Six-foot-four QB Tyler Tate has several athletic weapons around him.

### **27. Jay (3-7)**

Shai Jones is an athletic dual-threat QB and is coming off a good sophomore year.

### **28. Stilwell (2-8)**

The Indians will count on an experienced backfield and several two-way players.

### **29. Mannford (2-8)**

QB/DB Brian Broom is vital in all three phases of the game.

### **30. Guymon (2-8)**

Coach Joe Litsch hopes to win games in the trenches with several talented linemen on both sides.

### **31. Santa Fe South (3-7)**

New QB Ivan Zavala will have one of the state's top receiving targets in Abraham Luna.

### **32. Tulsa Webster (2-8)**

The Warriors will rely on the abilities of several young players.

CLASS 3A

# Pushing each other to greatness

## Shepard and Sanders, friends and competitors

BY JASON KERSEY | STAFF WRITER

**P**ull up to the Heritage Hall football practice field near the south end of campus on a weekday afternoon.

There, during one-on-one drills, an intense competition is brewing between two of Oklahoma's top college football prospects — Barry J. Sanders and Sterling Shepard.

"We're always pushing each other," Shepard said.

"Sometimes he'll get me; sometimes I'll get him. It's just competition."

Sanders, a running back and cornerback, and Shepard, a receiver and safety, always choose each other to match up with in these types of drills.

But it isn't just them that benefits from the intense competition.

"When you have those two guys competing against each other, everyone gets better," Chargers coach Andy Bogert said.

"They're always out front, challenging each other every day. They're funny about getting after each other."

The competitions bring out their differences — both physical and personality-wise.

"I wish I had his quickness," Sanders said. "I can't guard him off the ball."

And, as is natural in football, sometimes competition can get overheated. But Sanders and Shepard's close off-the-field friendship allows them to get after each other without anyone taking anything personally.

"We can get onto each other and not take it personal," Sanders said. "We understand that we just want what is in the best interest of the team. We make sure each other are doing the best we can."

Shepard said: "On the football field, you have a lot of moments where situations get a little heated, and we definitely have come across moments where we both get heated. We know that we're great friends both on and off the field, so we're not gonna get mad at each other from something that is a heated situation."

So, other than intense competition, what



Heritage Hall's Sterling Shepard and Barry J. Sanders.

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may cause these heated situations?

"He plays a lot," Sanders said, with a laugh. "He likes to have fun. And there's a time and place for everything, and sometimes his timing is a little off."

Shepard is the more vocal of the two, and it shows in their leadership styles.

"I like to lead by example; I'm not into the whoo-hollering stuff like this dude," Sanders said.

Shepard said: "I usually speak what I want to get across."

For all their differences, their most glaring similarity is the attention they get from college recruiters. Sanders and Shepard are two of the most highly ranked recruits in the Oklahoma class of 2012.

Sanders has rushed for 3,617 yards and 50 touchdowns in his career, and Shepard broke out last season with 1,015 yards receiving and 18 touchdowns.

Shepard committed to Oklahoma in March, while Sanders, who is considering Alabama, Florida State, Oklahoma State and Stanford, remains undecided.

"I'm envying his situation right now, already being committed and being done with it," Sanders said.

"I'll probably take him on some of my officials. Him and some other guys. And maybe I'll go with him on a few."

Wherever Sanders winds up playing in college, this will likely be the final season the duo lines up on the same side of a football game.

It has been a friendship born of football

and circumstance. Sanders was already at Heritage Hall when Shepard enrolled at the school as a freshman, and they became fast friends.

"Ever since we met each other, it's all been about the football thing," Shepard said. "When I first came to Heritage Hall, he was just a real good guy."

"On the field, we obviously are a real good match. Off the field, he's one of my best friends. I'm with him pretty much all the time."

### DUO THEY MOST RESEMBLE

#### The Beatles John Lennon and Paul McCartney

Running back Barry J. Sanders and receiver Sterling Shepard each bring different talents and make their own contributions to Heritage Hall, but the Chargers wouldn't be the same without either of them.

The same could be said for a dynamic music duo in the 1960s — John Lennon and Paul McCartney (pictured below), the two main songwriters and vocalists of The Beatles.

After The Beatles broke up, Lennon and McCartney had wildly successful careers apart from one another.

When Shepard and Sanders move



on to their separate college careers, expect similar results.

AP PHOTO

# Heritage Hall are preseason favorites

## CLASS 3A RANKINGS

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### **1. Heritage Hall (15-0)**

Defending champs have all kinds of star power, starting with Barry J. Sanders and Sterling Shepard.

### **2. Anadarko (12-1)**

Senior RB Sheldon Wilson rushed for nearly 2,800 yards and 49 touchdowns in 2010.

### **3. Cascia Hall (11-2)**

Tulsa commit and senior LB Connor Sherwood is the anchor of the Commando defense.

### **4. Bethany (10-4)**

Senior QB Ryley Claborn threw for 2,239 yards and 24 TDs a year ago.

### **5. Metro Christian (10-4)**

Senior QB Andrew Hearon and WRs Troy Jensen and Drew Hillenburg create dynamic passing game for Patriots.

### **6. Tuttle (7-4)**

Tigers return five starters, but are always a threat under coach Phil Koons, who enters his 19th season and has a career record of 180-41.

### **7. Purcell (7-4)**

Senior QB and NCAA Division I prospect Cole Swayze returns from a torn ACL a year ago.

### **8. Kingfisher (10-4)**

Yellowjackets made an unlikely run to the Class 3A title game last year after finishing fourth in their district.

### **9. Sequoyah-Tahlequah (9-2)**

Junior QB Brayden Scott threw for 2,132 yards and 20 TDs as a sophomore.

### **10. Seminole (9-3)**

Chieftains return QB Garrett Clark, who has started since he was a freshman and has thrown for nearly 6,000 career passing yards.

### **11. Berryhill (5-6)**

Senior running back Adam Dolan is back after rushing for nearly 1,300 yards and 18 TDs as a junior.

### **12. Beggs (8-5)**

Went to third round of playoffs in 2010 behind All-State QB Ramsey Hamilton.

### **13. Verdigris (9-3)**

Junior running back Tanner Smith returns after 1,280 yards and 21 TDs as a sophomore.

### **14. Plainview (8-4)**

Indians lost to Bethany in the second round of last year's playoffs.

### **15. Spiro (11-2)**

Coach Chris Bunch must replace two All-State football players, but returns WR/DB Kent Booze.

### **16. Newcastle (8-4)**

Senior QB Blake Woodard returns for Racers, who lost in the second round of last year's playoffs.

### **17. Perkins-Tryon (9-2)**

Demons won district title in 2010 but were beaten in the first round by eventual state runner-up.

### **18. Sperry (8-2)**

Senior lineman Chris Wallace (6-foot-4, 310 pounds) is getting serious attention from recruiters.

### **19. Weatherford (1-9)**

Eagles return 19 starters but remain a very young team.

### **20. Valliant (10-2)**

Senior RB Lorenz Mims is back after a 1,000-yard season in 2010, but team must replace Dylan Parker at QB.

### **21. Madill (8-3)**

Wildcats lost to Tuttle in the first round of the 2010 playoffs.

### **22. Sequoyah-Claremore (2-7)**

The perennial Class 3A power looks to bounce back from a disappointing 2010.

### **23. Bristow (5-6)**

Junior QB Adam Lomenick is back, but Pirates must replace graduated RB Leonard Fullbright.

### **24. Keys (Park Hill) (7-4)**

Keys lost in the first round of the 2010 playoffs.

### **25. Blanchard (6-5)**

Senior RB/FS John McCracken rushed for nearly 1,200 yards and 25 TDs as a junior.

### **26. Marlow (5-5)**

Team is young, but has strong, deep offensive and defensive lines led by senior Dillon Hanley.

### **27. Nowata (7-5)**

Ironmen lost in the second round of the 2010 playoffs.

### **28. Checotah (6-4)**

String of unfortunate injuries cost Wildcats a playoff berth last year, but team returns loads of talent.

### **29. Victory Christian (5-6)**

Coach Brent Marley says team is experienced and talented, but lacks good depth.

### **30. Henryetta (7-4)**

Knights return junior RB Blake Johnson, who rushed for 1,184 TDs last year.

### **31. Stigler (7-4)**

Junior Cade Shearwood and sophomore Seth Sandlin are competing to re-



Barry Sanders runs for a 70-yard touchdown against Newcastle on October 8, 2010. PHOTO BY NATE BILLINGS, THE OKLAHOMAN

place Jarrett Radford at QB.

### **32. Inola (5-6)**

Longhorns lost to Cascia Hall in the first round of the 2010 playoffs.

### **33. Prague (4-7)**

Red Devils lost to Newcastle in the first round of the 2010 playoffs.

### **34. Lone Grove (5-5)**

Senior OL Greg Higgs (6-3, 290) is a returning leader for the Longhorns.

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# Three questions for Class 3A

## Can anyone beat Heritage Hall?

Heritage Hall won the Class 3A championship last year and comes into 2011 loaded with NCAA Division I talent on both sides of the ball.

The scariest thing for opponents? The Chargers won the title with superstar RB Barry J. Sanders missing eight games with a foot injury.

WR Sterling Shepard has committed to OU, and lineman Markus Wakefield, TE/DT Quintaz Struble and WR/LB Cale Courtney are all also D-I prospects.

Then, add in another major recruit, QB Quinn Shanbour, who sat out last season after transferring from Bishop McGuinness.

If the Chargers can stay healthy, a repeat seems probable.

## Can Sheldon Wilson pos-

## sibly match his numbers from last season?

Wilson rushed for 2,798 yards and 49 TDs as a junior last season as his Anadarko team advanced to the Class 3A semifinals. This season, expectations are even higher for the Warriors.

Defenses will hone in on Wilson, but if they focus on him too much, they risk allowing senior QB Tyler Melton and Anadarko's trio of returning senior receivers to go off.

With the rest of the Warrior offense, it would seem unlikely that Wilson could match those numbers. Of course, defenses knew about him last year and didn't stop him.

## Will Weatherford rebound from last year's 1-9 season?

Weatherford, a perennial power in Oklahoma high school football, suf-

fered through a 1-9 record last year.

The Eagles return 19 starters this season, but coach Mickey Selfried's bunch is still very young. The team is also in the tough District 3A-1, which includes Anadarko and Tuttle.

Heritage Hall's Sterling Shepard.

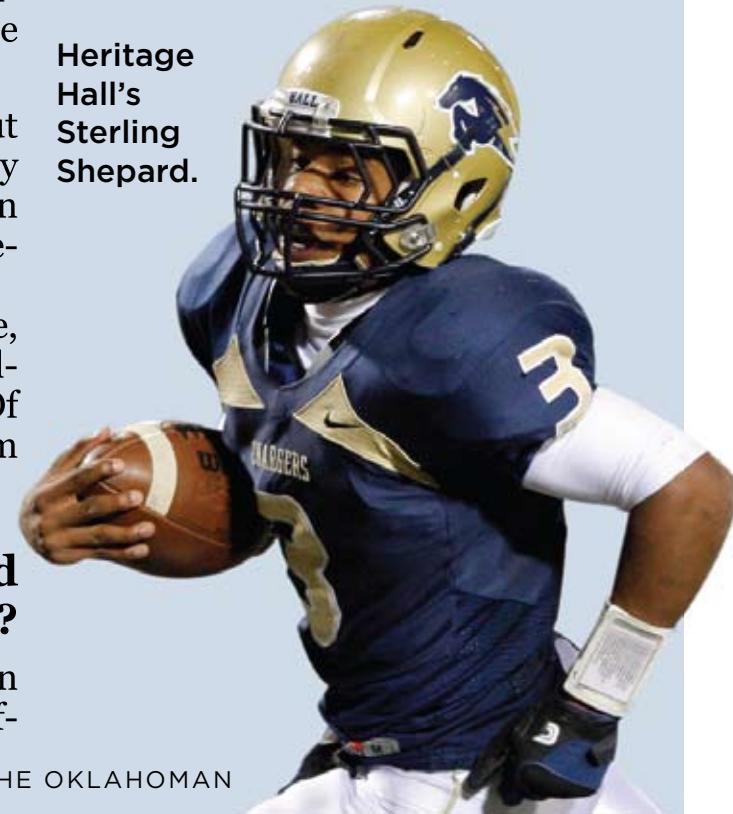


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### 35. John Marshall (5-5)

Coach Bruce Troxell and the Bears return six starters on each side of the ball.

### 36. Little Axe (5-6)

Indians return nine starters, including Walter Lynn, who had 61 tackles and three sacks last year, and Charles Lynn, who had 83 tackles, three sacks and an interception.

### 37. Bridge Creek (8-3)

Coach Jerry Wallis returns no offensive starters, but look out for senior RB/LB Judge Leiter.

### 38. Sulphur (4-6)

Senior QB/DB Ty Williams passed and rushed for over 1,000 yards last year with 20 total TDs. He starts both ways.

### 39. Bethel (4-6)

Wildcats coach Eddie Paul enters his second season at the helm and cites experience gained last year as the team's strength.

### 40. Eufaula (3-7)

Ironheads have missed the playoffs the past two seasons.

### 41. Kellyville (3-7)

Senior receiver Jonathon Buckley returns after 760 yards and six touch-

downs a year ago.

### 42. Centennial (3-7)

Bison in the brutal District 3A-3 with Heritage Hall, Bethany and Kingfisher.

### 43. Pauls Valley (2-8)

Junior QB Joe Foster threw for nine TDs and 1,318 yards last year. Senior lineman Kelvin Brister (6-4, 260) is a two-year starter.

### 44. Idabel (3-7)

TE/DE Grant Hamilton beginning to catch college recruiters' eyes.

### 45. Atoka (5-5)

Pat Marble will replace all-time state passing leader L.T. Pfaff at QB.

### 46. Westville (3-7)

Yellowjackets seeking first playoff berth since 2008.

### 47. Roland (2-8)

Senior quarterback Brooks Robertson has 16 starts over the past two years and is one of seven returning starters.

### 48. Dickson (2-8)

Coach Jeremy Reed cites the offensive line as a team strength. The Comets return 12 starters.

### 49. Chandler (1-9)

Lions return 15 starters. Junior Blake Barrier rushed for 430 yards and five

TDs last year.

### 50. Star Spencer (1-9)

Junior RB/LB Kenneth Davis Jr. made 140 tackles last season on defense and rushed for 321 yards.

### 51. Dewey (1-9)

Bulldogs return 15 starters, including senior quarterback Trey Sloan.

### 52. Okmulgee (1-9)

Coach John Horner says his team must get good production out of its talented freshman class.

### 53. Riverside (1-8)

Senior QB/DB Houston Perez, a two-year starter, will lead the Braves in 2011.

### 54. Blackwell (1-9)

Maroons' only win in 2010 was at Chisholm in Week 3.

### 55. Locust Grove (0-10)

Team returns 12 seniors, including LB Sergio Natividad, who had 91 tackles last year.

### 56. Hugo (0-10)

Senior quarterback Dalton Lindsey returns as the Buffaloes seek to improve on last year's winless campaign.

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CLASS 2A

# Sharing the spotlight

## Moreno and Hill happy splitting carries for defending champs

BY RYAN ABER | STAFF WRITER

**S**ome very talented high school players couldn't handle sharing the spotlight at their position.

Hennessey's Ivan Moreno and Levi Hill wouldn't have it any other way, though.

"We split the carries and like it that way," Hill, a junior, said. "It's a lot of fun."

"It's a dream come true."

Last year certainly was for the Eagles' running back tandem.

Moreno, a senior this year, ran for 1,425 yards and 13 touchdowns while also scoring four receiving touchdowns and recording 93 tackles and three interceptions.

Hill ran for 1,647 yards and 20 scores and had 56 tackles on defense.

Together, the duo played a huge part in lifting Hennessey to its first football state championship.

Other teams, especially at the 2A level where players play both ways, have running backs that tend to wear down as the game progresses.

With Moreno and Hill, there's always a fresh set of legs to turn loose.

"It takes a lot of pressure off," Moreno said. "He's somebody that I can rely on when it comes to offense and defense."

"We just kind of take turns. We're not selfish. We don't care who gets the yards or who gets the touchdowns as long as the team is winning."

Their styles also keep defenses guessing when they're both lined up in the backfield.

"It's lightning and thunder," Hill said. "He's more of a guy that can juke people. I'm more of a downhill runner and just try to run over people."

This season, the Eagles go from be-

Hennessey's Ivan Moreno and Levi Hill.

PHOTO BY BRYAN TERRY, THE OKLAHOMAN



ing the underdog that has a chance to contend to the team everybody else wants to knock off.

Hennessey doesn't mind the target. "There wasn't as much pressure last year as there is this time," Moreno said. "That's the big change from last year to this year. So far, the target is on our backs until someone knocks us off. We like it that way."

Hill grew up the son of a football coach.

His dad came to Hennessey five years ago after being an assistant at Tuttle.

"I don't think I've ever seen him away from football," Moreno said of Hill. "He's always thinking about it and thinking about ways to get better."

Moreno took to baseball more than football when he was little and, although he still loves that sport, he's coming around on football.

"Ever since high school, it's starting to take over a little," Moreno said.

Carnell Williams and Ronnie Brown.  
AP PHOTO



### DUO THEY MOST RESEMBLE

**Former Auburn RBs Cadillac Williams and Ronnie Brown**

In the 2004 season, Auburn couldn't go wrong no matter who carried the ball.

Carnell "Cadillac" Williams ran for 1,165 yards as a senior. His tandem partner, Ronnie Brown, ran for 913 that season.

Hennessey coach Shannon Watford understands the delicate balance that Tigers coach Tommy Tuberville dealt with that year.

The Eagles have senior Ivan Moreno, who ran for 1,425 yards and 13 touchdowns last year during Hennessey's championship run.

They also have junior Levi Hill, who ran for 1,647 yards and 20 scores.

Like Williams and Brown, the pair have contrasting running styles, and each takes pressure off the other.

Either way, Watford and Hennessey can't go wrong.

# Davis, Hennessey on top

## CLASS 2A RANKINGS Go to NewsOK.com/varsity for schedules

### 1. Davis (12-2)

Leading rusher (Cole Weber) and tackler (Zac Maynard) return for 2A favorites.

### 2. Hennessey (12-3)

Defending state champions return most of their skill position players.

### 3. Millwood (13-1)

Falcons lost a lot from last year's favorites but are still loaded.

### 4. Lincoln Christian (10-3)

Just two defensive starters return, but Bulldogs remain loaded.

### 5. Jones (9-3)

Could contend for a title if line continues to develop.

### 6. Stroud (11-2)

If they stay healthy, Tigers have potential to contend for title.

### 7. Vian (8-3)

With nine returning starters on each side, the Wolverines could be contenders.

### 8. Washington (9-4)

The Warriors will need some young linebackers to step up.

### 9. Colcord (11-3)

Jake Swicegood anchors both the offensive and defensive lines for the Hornets.

### 10. Watonga (9-2)

The Eagles could pass more this season with the continued development of QB Travis Hartfield.

### 11. Morris (7-5)

Six starters return on the offensive side for Larry Crenshaw's team.

### 12. Commerce (11-2)

Lost to eventual champion Hennessey in third round last season.

### 13. Lindsay (8-4)

Hunter Eubank returns at QB after putting up ridiculous numbers in 2010.

### 14. Adair (8-3)

Michael Fraley is a versatile threat for the Warriors.

### 15. Tonkawa (6-5)

Buccaneers have a speedy group of returners in the backfield.

### 16. Hartshorne (7-5)

The development of a young line could be the key to success.

### 17. Talihina (11-1)

Haven't lost regular-season game since 2007.

### 18. Christian Heritage (7-4)

RB Andy Habib is part of a strong group of returning skill position players.

### 19. Coalgate (7-5)

Bounced back from 0-3 start to make playoffs last year.

### 20. Holdenville (8-3)

Tre Harjo is a solid two-way returner for the Wolverines.

### 21. Frederick (8-3)

Fell to Coalgate in opening round a year ago.

### 22. Newkirk (9-2)

The Tigers have to break in a new QB but have plenty of returners elsewhere.

### 23. Okemah (7-4)

The Panthers are young but talented up front.

### 24. Crooked Oak (6-6)

Beat Watonga in opening round before falling to Washington in second round.

### 25. Chelsea (6-4)

The Green Dragons return nine defensive starters.

### 26. Oklahoma Christian (4-7)

Nine returning defensive starters give Saints a chance to be an improved team.

### 27. Salina (8-4)

The Wildcats have plenty of experience on the lines but have young skill players.

### 28. Hobart (7-4)

The Bearcats are inexperienced up front but have solid returners at the skill positions.

### 29. Pawhuska (6-6)

Looking for third consecutive playoff berth.

### 30. Tishomingo (5-6)

With four returning starters on offense, Indians have holes to fill.

### 31. Meeker (6-4)

The Bulldogs return most of their offensive line and Caleb Martin at QB.

### 32. Kansas (4-6)

Cody Bright returns after rushing for nearly 1,000 yards last year.

### 33. Wilburton (3-8)

The Diggers figure to be improved in Gavin Crocker's second season.

### 34. Pocola (5-5)

Looking for first playoff berth since 2007.

### 35. Lexington (4-6)

Missed playoffs for first time since 2006 last year.

### 36. Alva (4-6)

Nine defensive and eight offensive starters return.



Cole Weber of Davis makes a run during the Class 2A high school football championship game between Hennessey and Davis at Boone Pickens Stadium in Stillwater, Saturday, December 11, 2010.

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THE OKLAHOMAN

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# Three questions for Class 2A

## Who's the favorite?

It's hard to narrow it down to one.

Hennessey has many of their starters back from last season's state championship team, with the exception of its linebackers.

Davis also returns a good core of players from its 12-2 team and has depth that makes them tough to contend with in 2A.

The Wolves get the slight nod in the rankings, though Hennessey came together at the right time last season and figures to be even tougher this year.

## Who has the potential to make a Hennessey-type run this season?

A young Hennessey team steadily progressed during the regular season last year before coming together in the playoffs and making a run to the title.

A team with similar makeup is Vian. The Wolverines bring back nine starters on each side of the ball from last year's 8-3 team but are a young team

with plenty of talent still developing.

Vian might be a year away from contending for a state title, but if things fall into place this year, that time frame could be moved up.

## How far will Millwood fall?

The Falcons lost plenty of big-time talent from last year's team, and they certainly won't be as potent offensively.

But there is still plenty of talent at Millwood, including Heritage Hall transfer Marc Robinson, who sat out last season, and lineman Devin Dobbins.

The Falcons don't enter the season as the favorites in the class for the first time in a few years, but they're still among the top teams in 2A.

**Hennessey's Ivan Moreno runs from Davis defenders during the Class 2A high school football championship game at Boone Pickens Stadium in Stillwater, Okla., Saturday, December 11, 2010.**

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## CLASS 2A RANKINGS continued from previous page

### 37. Luther (3-7)

After a year away, Justin Wilson returns and could be one of the top players in the state.

### 38. Cordell (4-6)

Missed playoffs last season after going 9-3 in 2009.

### 39. Caney Valley (5-5)

Won first three games last season.

### 40. Perry (3-7)

Lost final five games of 2010.

### 41. Marietta (4-6)

Shut out four times last year.

### 42. Pawnee (3-7)

Missed playoffs last year after going 9-3 in 2009.

### 43. Kingston (3-8)

Made playoffs last year with late three-game winning streak.

### 44. Haskell (2-8)

Haymakers looking for first playoff

berth since 2004.

### 45. Comanche (2-7)

Scored 20 or more points in five of seven losses last season.

### 46. St. Mary (2-8)

Chris Stiles takes over the Rockets and has a team with plenty of speed.

### 47. Northeast (2-8)

The Vikings have solid skill position players but will need to develop up front to be successful.

### 48. Ketchum (2-8)

Looking for first playoff berth since 2007.

### 49. Chouteau (2-8)

Dropped final seven games of last season.

### 50. Quapaw (2-8)

Last playoff appearance came in 2003.

### 51. Heavener (2-8)

Last made the playoffs in 2008.

### 52. Mounds (2-8)

Started 2-0 last season before faltering.

### 53. Antlers (1-9)

Junior QB Bryce Martin could have a breakout season.

### 54. Konawa (0-10)

Haven't made the postseason since 1999.

### 55. Walters (0-10)

Blue Devils are undersized, but return a defense that is capable of helping Walters show improvement.

### 56. Panama (0-10)

Razorbacks haven't made the playoffs since 2007.

### 57. Wyandotte (0-10)

Tate Smith returns at QB to lead a solid group of skill position players.

### 58. Chisholm (0-10)

Improved numbers could help Longhorns break into win column.

## CLASS A

# Building a winner

## Way and Martin ready to finish turning the program around

BY SCOTT WRIGHT | STAFF WRITER

**WAYNE** — A year ago at this time, the Wayne football players were motivating themselves with talk of winning a playoff game — something the Bulldogs had done only twice in their history.

They accomplished it with a first-round victory last November, bowing out the next week to Morrison, 27-26.

And that only left them hungry for more.

"We just think of how we lost to Morrison by one point in the playoffs," said senior running back Josh Way. "That's what motivates us through the summer. We talk about it, watch the video of it. The sting is still there."

Way and quarterback Sam Martin were a big reason for last year's 8-4 record. Way rushed for nearly 1,800 yards, while Martin added more than 1,000 passing yards and almost as much on the ground.

Now, the Bulldog duo is focused on more success this year, with the hope of helping to build Wayne into a perennially strong football program — and make other people notice.

"Last year in the preseason, we were picked to finish last in our district, and ended up winning it," said Martin, a 5-foot-11, 195 pound junior. "We've definitely been taken lightly a lot."

"Sometimes last year, I felt like teams weren't giving us their best game, because they thought they could come in here and roll over us. I think this year will be a different story."

Wayne won three games total in 2007-08, then finally got back to the playoffs in 2009. Last year's team won in the first round for the program's first playoff win since 1994 — when it reached the third round.

Coach Brandon Sharp will rely on the talents of Way and Martin with hopes of taking the program to the next level.

Way has the talent to be a starting run-



Wayne's Josh Way and Sam Martin.

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ning back at just about any high school in the state. But the 6-foot, 205-pounder is a bruiser at the Class A level.

"Once he got it figured out last year, he was tough to stop," coach Brandon Sharp. "He's gonna carry the ball 20, 25 times a game. He's gonna be our workhorse. He's an exceptional athlete."

Martin stepped into the starting QB role as a sophomore, using his combination of intellect and athletic ability to manage the Bulldog offense.

"He's extremely smart," Sharp said. "He made a 31 on the ACT as a sophomore. It's good to have an intelligent kid like that running your offense."

"He does a great job getting us into the right plays with audibles at the line. He was farther along as a sophomore than any quarterback I've had."

Sharp was on the 1994 team that won Wayne's previous two playoff games, and he's very committed to making Wayne a regular power.

"The talent level is there. It's taken us a few years to get the attitude right," Sharp said. "Winning one playoff game a season is not what we want. We want to be deep into the playoffs, and every year I've been here, our goal has been a gold ball. That's all we think about."

### DUO THEY MOST RESEMBLE

#### Phineas and Ferb

Wayne running back Josh Way and quarterback Sam Martin are committed to building the Bulldog football program into a winner.

And it's been a quick construction job, turning around a program that won only two games when Way was a freshman.

Maybe Way and Martin took some tips from Phineas and Ferb, the animated Disney characters who regularly construct some fantastic new project in a day, always agitating their older sister.

Wayne had only won two postseason games in its history before Way and Martin came along. Last season, the Bulldogs were district champions and reached the second round of the playoffs.



Phineas and Ferb.

# Can Woodland repeat unbeaten season?

## CLASS A RANKINGS

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**Morrison's Dylon Quinata rushes for a touchdown in semifinal playoff game between Morrison and Stratford in Moore, Friday, December 3, 2010.**

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### 1. Woodland (15-0)

Several key players return as the Cougars try to repeat the perfect season.

### 2. Thomas (12-2)

A lot of experienced players back from last year's state semifinal squad.

### 3. Velma-Alma (11-1)

The Comets will be young but have experience in key spots and good team speed.

### 4. Okeene (10-2)

If some new faces can fill holes on defense, the Whippets could be ready to make a run at the gold ball.

### 5. Morrison (10-4)

With several experienced leaders, the Wildcats look ready for another deep playoff run.

### 6. Ringling (8-3)

The Blue Devils look to be reloading following the loss of seniors in several spots.

### 7. Wynnewood (8-5)

Expectations are high again for the Savages after last year's deep playoff run.

### 8. Cashion (11-2)

Ty Reasnor steps in at QB with lots of experience around him.

### 9. Afton (11-1)

WR Sam Shepard is a legitimate Division I prospect, but Afton isn't a one-man show.

### 10. Minco (7-4)

Three-sport star Cade Baade is back under center to lead the Bulldogs.

### 11. Wayne (8-4)

RB Josh Way is returning with hopes of surpassing last year's 1,752 rushing yards and 22 TDs.

### 12. Crescent (9-4)

An experienced offensive line will be key to the Tigers' success.

### 13. Carnegie (8-4)

Cameron Nix threw for 2,500 yards last year and has most of his receivers back.

### 14. Beaver (9-2)

If youngsters grow up fast, the Dusters could be ready for another strong season.

### 15. Elmore City (10-2)

A solid run game should keep Elmore City on the right track.

### 16. Stratford (12-3)

Coach Robert McDown takes over last year's state runner-up with several holes to fill.

### 17. Quinton (8-3)

Experienced players on the lines will be valuable for the Savages.

### 18. Mangum (7-5)

A strong, experienced senior class will be key to another playoff run for the Tigers.

### 19. Foyil (8-4)

A stout running game has Foyil ready to take the next step.

### 20. Oklahoma Bible (8-3)

A strong defensive front will help OBA make a run at a third straight playoff appearance.

### 21. Healdton (7-4)

Good mix of experience and young talent.

### 22. Gore (8-3)

A balanced offense will be key for the Pirates.

### 23. Savanna (6-4)

Dangerous run game with RB Zac Doyle and four returning starters on the offensive line.

### 24. Central-Sallisaw (8-3)

A solid returning core of starters give the Tigers a chance to improve on last year's eight-win mark.

### 25. Fairland (5-5)

Good size in the trenches should help keep them competitive.

### 26. Pioneer (4-6)

Derek Gabriel is coming off a 2,000-yard, 20-TD season at QB.

### 27. Turpin (6-5)

Senior Matt Mendoza rushed for more than 1,500 yards and had 102 tackles last season.

### 28. Empire (5-6)

Enough firepower on offense to make some noise in District A-4.

### 29. Apache (4-6)

Good combination of experience on the offensive line and athletes at the skill spots.

### 30. Texhoma (4-6)

Strong returning group could lead Texhoma back to the playoffs.

### 31. Dibble (4-6)

Should compete for a playoff spot in a stout District A-5.

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# Three questions for Class A

## Who is the top contender to unseat defending champ Woodland?

Woodland certainly looks to be capable of a repeat performance this season, but there appear to be several teams waiting in line for the Cougars to stumble.

Thomas is first on the list. Bob Ward's team surely hasn't forgotten the pain of the 46-26 loss to Woodland in the semifinals last year, but this season could be different. They've got size and speed.

Morrison looks primed for another strong season after reaching the semis last year. And Wynnewood got a reminder of what it feels like to go

deep in the playoffs, which should give them a boost.

## Is there a dark-horse candidate to make a run at the title?

In Class A, there will always be some surprises, and they're usually difficult to predict. But one team not in our top 10 who could be dangerous is Carnegie.

Quarterback Cameron Nix has drawn recruiting interest from some Division I colleges, and he has several offensive weapons around him.

Cashion is another team that can't be forgotten.

## Can Afton receiver Sam Shepard play at the next level?

There will always be doubters of kids trying to make the jump from a small high school to a major college. But when a big program is willing to offer a scholarship to a small-school player, it's usually because they've seen him against college-ready competition.

That's the case with Shepard, who made a name for himself at summer camps. And this isn't a Wes Welker story, either. Shepard is 6-foot-1 and 195 pounds with legitimate speed and very good hands.

## CLASS A RANKINGS

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### **32. Wewoka (5-6)**

Good mix of size and athletic ability, especially on defense.

### **33. Mooreland (3-7)**

Coach Frank Howard will rely on the experience of his 14 returning starters.

### **34. Porter (5-6)**

Thin at the skill positions, but coach Ron Coppedge has a strong offensive line to work with.

### **35. Hominy (4-7)**

Linebacker Austin Jones is coming back from his third knee surgery.

### **36. Sayre (6-5)**

Good core of blockers return to open holes for RB Corey Mooney.

### **37. Drumright (4-5)**

Not a huge team, but hoping to use speed to their advantage.

### **38. Rush Springs (4-6)**

Good size on defense, where they hope to make some strides this year.

### **39. Hollis (2-7)**

Team speed will be key for the young Tigers.

### **40. Snyder (4-6)**

A couple big guys in the trenches will help keep the run game moving.

### **41. Oklahoma Union (3-6)**

Creativity on defense will help them utilize an athletic group of young players.

### **42. Waurika (3-7)**

Several offensive weapons give the Eagles the chance to score quickly.

### **43. Fairview (2-8)**

Utilized a lot of young players last year who gained valuable experience.

### **44. Barnsdall (2-9)**

Must build on momentum from last year's strong finish that earned them a playoff berth.

### **45. Liberty (3-7)**

Several players got experience on defense last season.

### **46. Warner (2-7)**

Senior Montana Tassey's play at running back and linebacker will be vital to the Eagles' success.

### **47. Hinton (0-10)**

Nine starters return on each side of the ball as new coach James Hansen tries to turn the Comets around.

### **48. Hulbert (0-10)**

With seven returning starters on offense, new coach Mitchell Crittenden is aiming for a balanced attack.

### **49. Wellston (1-9)**

Size and experience on the offensive line will be valuable.

### **50. Burns Flat-Dill City (0-9)**

QB/DB Tyler Hardin could be a major difference-maker for the Eagles.

### **51. Wilson (1-8)**

Decent size in the trenches will help the Eagles compete.

### **52. Maysville (1-9)**

Looking for some depth to help build the program.

### **53. Hooker (1-8)**

Junior Joe Bean is a big play waiting to happen at QB.

### **54. Bray-Doyle (0-10)**

A lot will be asked of several young players.

### **55. Yale (1-9)**

Must build around a run game focused on quickness.

### **56. Haileyville (1-9)**

Several experienced players ready to turn things around.

### **57. Porum (N/A)**

Dropped football last season, but hopeful to rebuild the program this year.



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# Side by side

Miller brothers have been playing together for years and are rarely apart on the playing field

JASON KERSEY | STAFF WRITER

**DAVENPORT** — The dynamic Miller brothers of Davenport are about as familiar with one another as two teammates can be.

Mike Miller, the Bulldogs' senior running back, and Matt Miller, the team's junior quarterback, have been on sports teams together since they were little.

Matt always played with older teams and has always been his big brother's quarterback.

Last season, Mike rushed for 2,103 yards and 30 touchdowns, and Matt threw for 1,457 yards and 14 touchdowns, plus 470 yards and seven touchdowns rushing. The duo connected for three touchdowns through the air.

But their on-the-field bond goes beyond the offensive backfield.

The duo also starts together in the Bulldog secondary, where Mike, a safety, had 87 tackles and three interceptions and Matt, the left cornerback, had 73 tackles and five picks. But wait, there's more.

The brothers also have the middle of the Bulldogs' infield covered on the baseball field, where Matt plays second base and Mike plays shortstop. Mike is the team's leadoff hitter; Matt bats second.

"We're always together," Mike said. "He rides with me everywhere. We always have time to talk about film, talk about what we gotta do next week or the week after. We're always talking football."



Davenport's Mike Miller and Matt Miller.

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Or playing it, in the real world or the digital world. The duo admits that some of their NCAA Football 12 games get quite heated. Then there is the big rivalry — Mike is an OSU fan, Matt an OU fan.

They've never attended a Bedlam game together, but if they did, "You might have to get security called into the stands," Mike quipped.

But when they are on an actual field together, the Millers are tough to beat. And in 2011, the Millers aren't counting on that happening much — if at all.

Mike said: "Hopefully we'll make a good run at the gold ball. If we all stay healthy, we'll have a pretty good shot."

Matt added: "We pretty much have to win a gold ball for everybody (in the community). It's just expected."

## DUO THEY MOST RESEMBLE

**OSU coach Mike Gundy and OU running backs coach Cale Gundy**

The older brother loves OSU; the younger brother loves OU.

Davenport senior running back and safety Mike Miller is a Cowboys fan, and his younger brother, Bulldogs quarterback and corner Matt Miller, is a Sooners fan.

Mike Gundy played at Oklahoma State and now is the head coach there, and his younger brother Cale



was a Sooner quarterback and now coaches the OU running backs.

**Mike and Cale Gundy.**

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# Caddo back for more

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### 1. Caddo (9-3)

Bruins lost to eventual state champion Cherokee in the semifinals last year.

### 2. Wetumka (11-3)

Junior RB Derrick Moore rushed for over 2,000 yards last season, when Wetumka was the Class B runner-up.

### 3. Kiefer (11-2)

Trojans lost to Wetumka in the 2010 Class B semifinals.

### 4. Davenport (10-2)

Brothers Mike and Matt Miller man the offensive and defensive backfields for the Bulldogs.

### 5. Dewar (12-1)

Dragons had a perfect regular season in 2010 but were beaten by eventual state champion Cherokee in the semifinals.

### 6. Garber (5-5)

Junior QB Jordan Avantz returns for the young Wolverines.

### 7. Laverne (10-2)

District B-1 coaches picked the Tigers to win their loaded district, which includes the last three state champs.

### 8. Cherokee (14-0)

Defending champs return five starters, including senior WR/DB Derek Richmond.

### 9. Depew (9-2)

QB Robert Lame, RB Roy Lewis and RB Sonny Stafford all rushed for over 1,000 yards last season.

### 10. Fox (9-3)

Foxes only lost three seniors from last year's Class B quarterfinal team.

### 11. Welch (8-3)

Wildcats return 12 starters and are senior loaded.

### 12. Seiling (5-6)

Snuck into the 2010 playoffs after emerging from a three-way tie in brutal District B-1.

### 13. Pond Creek-Hunter (8-3)

Junior WR/DB Brady Krittenbrink is a player to watch in Class B.

### 14. Alex (6-5)

Longhorns lost in the first round of last year's playoffs.

### 15. Gans (7-4)

Grizzlies were shut out by Kiefer in last year's first round of the playoffs.

### 16. Summit Christian (6-5)

Eagles won their first six games and lost their last five in 2010.

### 17. Central Marlow (7-4)

Bronchos' RB Ashton Wright rushed for 900 yards and 14 TDs last year.

### 18. Allen (6-4)

Mustangs return nine starters, including senior QB Brady Caldwell.

### 19. Weleetka (5-5)

Outlaws return all 16 starters, but must improve on defense.

### 20. Bowlegs (5-5)

DE Dalton Presley is a four-year starter.

### 21. Paoli (5-5)

Senior Jerry Johnson was a 1,000-yard rusher last season.

### 22. Keota (4-6)

Lions return eight starters but have a young offensive line.

### 23. Cyril (6-4)

Just missed the 2010 playoffs with a 5-4 district record.

### 24. Watts (6-3)

Watts barely missed the playoffs last season.

### 25. Geary (5-5)

Will be fighting for a playoff spot in the tough District B-1.

### 26. Oaks (5-5)

Quarterback Jeremiah Snell is back for his senior season.

### 27. South Coffeyville (4-6)

Lions scored 234 and gave up 399 points in 2010.

### 28. Wesleyan Christian (3-7)

Mustangs open the 2011 season at home against Boulevard Christian.

### 29. Canton (3-7)

Tigers open the season at home against Class C's Forgan.

### 30. Macomb (2-8)

Team will play in its own stadium for the first time to open the season against Carney.

### 31. Merritt (2-8)

Oilers open the season at home against Corn Bible.

### 32. Oklahoma Christian Academy (2-8)

Eagles ended 2010 on a good note — a 45-0 win over Sasakwa.

### 33. Ringwood (1-9)

Red Devils open the season at Class C power Timberlake.

### 34. Canadian (1-8)

Cougars get early test in district play against 2010 Class B runner up Wetumka.

### 35. Agra (1-9)

Team's lone win in 2010 came against Copan in Week 9.

### 36. Sasakwa (1-9)

Vikings open the season with a tough test at Allen.

### 37. Victory Life (1-7)

Early test for the Eagles at Gans in Week 2.

### 38. Copan (1-9)

Team's one 2010 win came in Week 7 against Wesleyan Christian.

### 39. Cave Springs (0-9)

Hornets scored just 28 points in all of last season.

### 40. Kremlin-Hillsdale (0-10)

Broncs will try to bounce back from a winless 2010.

## Three questions for Eight man

### Which is the top eight-man team in the Oklahoma City area?

Davenport returns all 16 starters from its quarterfinal team last season, and coach John Greenfield said the team feels really good about its chances in Class B. Senior RB Mike Miller rushed for over 2,100 yards and scored 33 TDs last season.

### Can Coyle finally break through into the Class C playoffs?

The Bluejackets are in their seventh season of football and have yet to make the playoffs. But last season, Coyle finished fifth in the brutal District C-3, which includes defending state champion Deer Creek-Lamont.

This season, the Bluejackets return senior running back Magnus Scott, who rushed for over 1,500 yards and 28 touchdowns last season.

The key game to Coyle's playoff chances will be Week 2 against Medford. Last year, Medford won on a last-second touchdown and ended up in fourth place because of the win.

### Will Shattuck reclaim the Class C title this year?

Shattuck won the Class C state championship every year between 2003 and 2008, but its national eight-man winning streak record of 93 was snapped in the 2009 quarterfinals.

Then, the Indians lost in the Class C semifinals last year.

Will coach Troy Bullard's team reclaim its top spot this year?

The Indians return nine starters this year, including four-year starter Aaron McCandless at quarterback.

Whether Shattuck wins back the title or not, expect the Indians to be in the discussion deep into the Class C playoffs in 2011.

# Deer Creek-Lamont ready to repeat

## CLASS C RANKINGS

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### **1. Deer Creek-Lamont (13-0)**

Defending state champion outscored opponents 144-12 in the 2010 Class C playoffs.

### **2. Shattuck (11-2)**

The Indians, a Class C powerhouse and last year's runner-up, return nine starters.

### **3. Timberlake (9-3)**

Senior QB Coy Troutt scored 30 TDs last season.

### **4. Tipton (10-2)**

Tigers return 11 starters, including senior WR/DB Clayton Kincannon, who picked off five passes last year.

### **5. Temple (10-2)**

RBs Nic Brown and Cody Littles combined for 30 TDs last season.

### **6. Forgan (11-2)**

Young players must step up for Bulldogs, who bring back just two starters on each side of the ball.

### **7. Covington-Douglas (11-2)**

Wildcats lost 10 seniors off last year's team, but return senior lineman and team leader Tomas Rojo.

### **8. Ryan (8-3)**

Cowboys lost to Shattuck in the first round of the playoffs last year.

### **9. Sharon-Mutual (7-4)**

Senior QB Weston Free is a four-year starter and team leader.

### **10. Maud (10-2)**

Tigers have won 37 consecutive district games, but must replace all their skill players.

### **11. Medford (5-5)**

Cardinals lost a close first-round playoff game to Maud last year.

### **12. Thackerville (4-6)**

Young Wildcats have a strong backfield led by junior RB Jose Mose.

### **13. Midway (8-3)**

Chargers lost to Timberlake in the first round of last year's playoffs.

### **14. Waynoka (6-5)**

Railroaders share a tough district with Forgan, Shattuck and Sharon-Mutual.

### **15. Corn Bible (7-3)**

Crusaders lack experience, but have three juniors that are two-year starters.

### **16. Duke (4-6)**

Senior RB Dominique Vick is back after rushing for over 1,500 yards and 20 TDs last year.

### **17. Coyle (5-5)**

Senior RB Magnus Scott headlines

a fast team seeking its first playoff berth.

### **18. Waukomis (4-6)**

Junior QB Tyler Terrel rushed for 1,250 yards last season.

### **19. Webbers Falls (6-5)**

Warriors lost to Covington-Douglas in the first round of last year's playoffs.

### **20. Arkoma (5-6)**

Senior WR/DB Tyler Sweeten scored 45 total TDs last season.

### **21. Tyrone (6-4)**

Bobcats just missed the 2010 playoffs last season.

### **22. Claremore Christian (2-8)**

Expect Warriors to win more games with six starters back on each side of the ball.

### **23. Balko (3-6)**

The Bison made a three-win improvement from 2009 to 2010.

### **24. SW Covenant (2-7)**

Patriots bring back seven starters but lost six seniors from last year's team.

### **25. Bluejacket (3-7)**

Chieftains ended last year tied for sixth in District C-4.

### **26. Buffalo (2-7)**

Bison opens the season at Class B power Laverne.

### **27. Carney (1-9)**

Junior RB Dalton Roberson rushed for 553 yards and three TDs last year.

### **28. Bokoshe (3-6)**

Tigers had a two-game winning streak early in the 2010 season.

### **29. Cement (2-7)**

Bulldogs scored 96 points and gave up 396 last season.

### **30. Boise City (1-9)**

Wildcats looking to get back in the playoff mix after a down year in 2010.

### **31. Prue (2-8)**

Rockets hoping to add more wins this year with hard work and senior leadership.

### **32. Mt. View-Gotebo (1-8)**

Tigers lone win came in Week 8 over Grandfield.

### **33. Grandfield (0-8)**

Bearcats played for the Class C title in 2007, missed the playoffs in 2008 and went winless in 2009 and 2010.

### **34. Goodwell/Yarbrough (0-10)**

Scored just 44 points and gave up 499 in 2010.

## OKLAHOMA HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL 2011 TV SCHEDULE

### Games on Cox (Channels 3 and 703)

**Sept. 1**, Edmond North at Southmoore, 7 p.m.

**Sept. 2**, Owasso at Broken Arrow, 7 p.m.

**Sept. 8**, Norman at Moore, 7 p.m.

**Sept. 9**, Tulsa Union vs. Jenks

(at TU's Chapman Stadium), 7 p.m.

**Sept. 16**, Broken Arrow at Tulsa Union,

7:30 p.m. (statewide)

**Sept. 16**, Owasso at Jenks, 7:30 p.m.

(on alternate channel in Tulsa,  
will air on tape delay in OKC)

**Sept. 23**, Edmond North at Del City, TBA

**Sept. 30**, Tulsa game TBA (air in Tulsa)

**Sept. 30**, Putnam City North at Midwest City,  
7 p.m. (air in OKC)

**Oct. 6**, Southmoore at Norman, 7 p.m.

**Oct. 7**, Owasso at Tulsa Union, 7:30 p.m.

**Oct. 13**, Broken Arrow at Southmoore, 7 p.m.

**Oct. 14**, Carl Albert at Guthrie, 7:30 p.m.

**Oct. 21**, Norman North at Choctaw, 7 p.m.

**Oct. 27**, Mustang at Westmoore, 7 p.m.

**Oct. 28**, Jenks at Broken Arrow, TBA

**Nov. 4**, Oklahoma City game TBA

### Games on ESPNU (Cox 253/718 HD)

**Sept. 2**, Evangel Christian (La.) at Tulsa Union,  
7 p.m.

**Oct. 28**, Bethany at Heritage Hall at 7 p.m.

Games on Fox Sports Oklahoma

(Cox 37/722 HD)

**Sept. 5**, Douglass vs. DeSoto, Texas,  
Cowboys Stadium, 4:30 p.m.

### KSBI scoreboard show

KSBI will not broadcast a game of the week this year. Instead, they will offer scoreboard update shows on Thursday and Friday nights.

Brian Birchell, Rachel Redman and Abigail Ogle, daughter of KFOR-4 news anchor Kevin Ogle, will rotate as host of the shows, which will be one to two minutes every half-hour from 7 to 10 p.m., according to KSBI president Vince Orza.

### Oklahoma High School Sports Express

The high school highlights show hosted by Van Shea Iven will air weekly at 10:30 p.m. Sunday nights on KOKH-25 (Cox 12)