



Waller Bulldog Baseball

Preseason Outlook 2010



School Name & Team Mascot: Waller Bulldogs

District: 18-4A

Head Coach: Kyle Humphreys (Overall Record 27-20-1)



Assistant Coaches: Mike Atwood, James Thompson, Chase Copeland, Rodney Loewe, Eric Geigley, Chris Donalson

Previous Season Record: (14-10)

Previous Season Play-off Accomplishments: Made the playoffs for only the third time in the school's history and first since 2000. Lost to Buda Hays in the first round.

Graduated Starters/Key Losses:

- Robert Loewe (SS, P)- Signed with Temple JC, 1st team all district INF in 2008 and 2009
- * Clayton Heise (P, 3B)- Continuing baseball at Navarro JC, 2nd team all district in 2008.
- Jesse Lain (3B, 2B), Sonny Cook (OF), Kody Merchant (OF), Jake Seaman (OF)

Returning Starters and honors/letterman/others:

- Miller Pierce (SS) SR- Will look for him to take over SS this year after the loss of Loewe. Pierce hit .377 with 7 HR's last year and lead the team in RBI's. Also made 1st team all-district QB this year.
- Tyler Bain (C, P) SR- Will be back at catcher for the 2nd year after having a good junior year. Outstanding arm behind the plate, and hopefully will translate that to the mound this year to help with the bullpen.
- Jacob Wendt (OF, P) SR- Lead off man last year who lead the team in SB's. This guy just finds a way to get on base and be the "sparkplug" of the offense.
- Zach Bellinger (3B, P) SR- Bellinger and Rape will look to be the "1, 2 punch" on the mound during district play this year.
- Eric Huffman (OF, C) SO- 2nd team all-district DH last year as a Freshman.
- Parker Edmonds (1B, P) SR- An injury to his elbow last year kept him from pitching during district play last year, but Edmonds should step up this year and be a tough left-handed pitcher and hit in the middle of the lineup.
- Trent Rape (IF, P) JR- One of the top 2 pitchers from last year. Will also play third base.
- Chance Kammerer (OF, C, P)- Hit a walk-off grand slam last year to put the Bulldogs in the playoffs with 2 outs an in an (0-2) count. Clutch performer.
- Chad Arnold (IF, P)- Filled in at SS and 2B while Miller Pierce was injured last year. Did an excellent job and will battle it out at 2B for the starting job.
- Pat Villarreal (1B) SR- Did a great job off the bench in crucial situations last year and as a DH.

Jacob Wendt



Parker Edmonds



Tyler Bain



Miller Pierce



Zach Bellinger



Eric Huffman



Trent Rape



Chance Kammerer



Newcomers to watch for:

- Scotty McLeod (IF, P) SR
- Josh Cimerhanzel (1B, P) JR
- Karter Ginn (OF) SR
- Glenn Gilliam (OF) SR.
- Matt Pierce (UT) JR.
- Brandon Sandoval (OF) JR
- Kyle Schmidt (OF) JR
- James Lenart (OF) JR
- Kelton Phillips (OF) SO
- Tyler Powers (IF) SO
- Rhett Loewe (IF) FR
- Jacob Smith (IF) FR

From the dugout: “The Waller baseball Bulldogs advanced to the State Playoffs for only the 3rd time in school history in 2009. After making a great run in 2008 and missing the playoffs by a game, the fighting Bulldogs scratched their way through a tough district 18-4A schedule. Not only was this a huge accomplishment for the program and the community, but the way in which they did it speaks volumes for the players and coaching staff having to overcome many unsuspected obstacles. Once again, a tough non-district schedule including the annual Marble Falls Tournament trip and the Lamar Consolidated Tournament, prepare the team for a very tough 18 -4A district run. With seven returning starters off a good team last year we will still need to compete every game in one of the best 4A districts in the state. Our intentions this year and every year will be to represent District 18-4A as a playoff representative.”