Camacho and Korte Named to All State Team By Judy Rogers

Golden Plains Sophomores AJ Camacho and Caleb Korte were named to the Six-Man All-State Team at the Wild West Bowl in Dodge City on November 5. Both young men contributed to the Bulldogs 6-2 season that finished third place in the state.

"I want to congratulate AJ and Caleb for their all state honors," said Coach Travis Smith. "It takes a lot of hard work and dedication to achieve these awards. The both of them are very deserving of this honor and were two of the best players in 6 man football this year. They both are outstanding players and still have two more years to get into the weight room and on the track team to get stronger and faster. The one thing about individual accomplishments is the fact it takes the entire team to achieve them. Without the offensive line blocking, or the quarterback and other backs doing their job, neither of them would have had the year they had."

Camacho was named to the all-state team in three positions—as running back on offense, as defensive back on defense, and as kick returner on special teams. He was a major offensive force for the Bulldogs. He rushed for 1529 yards on 115 carries and 20 touchdowns. He also passed 303 yards for 9 touchdowns and received 213 yard for 4 touchdowns. He added 70 yards on a kick return, 110 yards in punt returns, and 157 yards on interception returns for a total of 2079 allpurpose yards in the eight game schedule. Camacho tallied 36 solo and 43 assist tackles, six interceptions, and 1 fumble recovery throughout the season.

"I was glad to reach my goal this year of making the all-state team," said Camacho. "Making it in three positions was a bonus. I would like to thank the coaches for their continued support throughout the season. My goal is to make the all-state team again next year as we play in the championship game."

Korte was named to the all-state team as a receiver on offense. He had 18 catches for 421 yards and 6 touchdowns for Golden Plains. He contributed 43 solo and 35 assist tackles along with 2 fumble recoveries helping the Bulldogs to one of their most successful seasons in recent years.

"It's means a lot to me that my hard work has been acknowledged by the state," said Korte. "I'll work hard to make the all-state team again next season. We represent our entire team. Individual awards mean nothing without the team."