

Bulldogs Kick Off 2017 Football Season

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The Golden Plains High School Bulldogs kicked off the start of their second year of six-man football on August 25 at the annual sports scrimmage. The 'Dogs have 15 boys on the team, along with 3 managers. Seniors include four-year player Jeron Schutte and new to the team Larry Radovich.

The seniors are joined by juniors Caleb Korte-All-State Team Receiver last year, Dylan Spresser, Chucky Hernandez, Nolan Ritter, and Josh Spresser. Sophomores include Austin Patmon, Jaime Infante, Harley Weese, and Chris Stoltz; freshmen are Toby Korte, Rolis Loya, Tanner Tussel, and Wade Rush. Managers include 8th graders Alex Gonzales, Roberto Loya, and Fabian Cepeda. "The returning players have been great leaders so far this season," said Head Coach Travis Smith.

The 'Dogs went 6-2 last season and are looking forward to another very successful season. "We're all working towards having a great work ethic for every game," said Jeron Schutte. "We're looking forward to a good year, hopefully ending with a trip back to the Wild West Bowl," added Dylan Spresser.

"Our first goal is to be 1-0 at the end of week one. That's our goal every week," said Coach Smith. "I believe last year was a huge stepping stone for our football program, and I'm hoping it leads to having another successful season." This is Smith's eighteenth year of coaching Bulldog football. He is assisted by Devinn Ritter and Russ Aumiller. "Our motto this year is 'Rise As One'. We want to be a team over anything else," Smith added. The boys will take the field in Rexford on September 1 against Natoma in their first game of the year.