6A Region III Season Preview

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Some of the biggest stars of Region III. (Photo: Bryce Unterwagner)

6A Region III teams are gearing up for the 2018 season with both new faces and returning players at the helm of the teams.

With the new 2018-2020 UIL realignment in place, anticipate these teams to sit atop their district.

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District 17 - Cy Fair

The 15-0 Bobcats are coming off their first state championship in school history behind their tenacious defense that ranked first in interceptions and sacks. During the Bobcats undefeated season, they withstood the competition of teams such as Westlake (14-6), Langham Creek (21-20), and Waco Midway (51-35) in the state championship game. With only three defensive starters returning, expect senior LB Tre'von Mosley to anchor the Bobcats' defense. Mosley recorded 41 total tackles and 3.5 sacks during the 2017 season. On the offensive side of the ball, WR **Christian Richmond** returns for his senior season. Richmond recorded 518 yards and 15.2 yards per catch. With the Bobcats in a new district, expect the defending 6A Division II State Champions to sit atop their district for the second straight time.



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(Photo: 247Sports)

District 18 - Lamar

The 9-2 Texans will look to win their ninth consecutive district championship without their longtime former head coach Tom Nolen. The Houston area's most winningest coach retired at the end of last season. Former linebacker coach Michael Lindsey will transition into the new head coaching role for the Texans and will look to duplicate the team's

defensive strength. The Texans led district 18 in tackles with 1,746 behind senior CB **Alex Hogan** with 26 and DE **Kenneth Dotson** with 49. Senior WR **Zane Knipe** provided offense for the Texans by recording 216 yards, 18.0 yards per catch, and 3 TDs.



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District 19 - Katy

Looking for their ninth state title, the 12-1 Tigers enter the 2018 season with only four offensive starters and two defensive starters returning. Although the Tigers lost four

offensive starters, senior RB **Deondrick Glass** will return as the district's leading rusher. Glass, the district 19-6A offensive player of the year, rushed for 1,690 yards, averaged 122.3 yards per game, and scored 26 TDs. At QB, the Tigers' sophomore **Bronson McClelland** threw for 307 yards, averaged 18.1 yards per completion and 4 TDs. The QB/RB tandem of McClelland and Glass are one of the most exciting duos for the 2018 season.





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District 20 - Ridge Point

Coming off their fourth straight district title, the 9-2 Panthers will drive for five behind senior DE Nelson Ceasar and OLB Chike Anigbogu. With the defensive presence of Ceasar and Anibogu, the Panthers led the district in tackles (2,243). Not to mention, the Panthers RB duo of senior Mason McBride and sophomore **Charles Shelling** combined for 1,263 yards and 11 TDs. Expect the Panthers to win their fifth consecutive district championship.



2020 4-star RB Zachary Evans (Photo: Brian Perroni, 247Sports)

District 21- North Shore

The 9-4 Mustangs are looking for their first district championship since 2016. Behind junior RB **Zachary Evans**, expect this team to take a huge leap in District 21. Evans rushed for 1483 yards and 27 TDs in 2017 as a sophomore and added 12 receptions for 120 yards. The 5'11 203 lbs RB, is regarded as the best prospect out of the 2020 class and is currently holding 34 offers from colleges. With a strong offensive line to back up Evans, anticipate the Mustangs to be one of the most interesting teams in Region III.





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District 22- Atascocita Eagles

The 2017 district champs are coming off a 10-2 season where the Eagles led the district in sacks. Unfortunately for the Eagles, only two defensive starters will be returning for the 2018 season. The Eagles will have to rely on their young core and senior offensive lineman **Kenyon Green**. Head coach, Craig Stump, will have to implement his winning

culture from previous seasons in order for the Eagles to be successful. Although the team will not be as talented as last year, expect the Eagles to enter the 2018 season confident in defending their district title.

Senior Kenyon Green OL was recognized by the Houston Touchdown Club. Kenyon award as an honoree of the UIL Pre-Season All Greater Houston Area Football Team was presented by "Mean" Joe Green and Terry Bradshaw. Congratulations Kenyon. A <u>@HumbleISD_AHS</u> <u>@HumbleISD_Ath pic.twitter.com/0B8SK2JmUV</u>

— Atascocita High School Football (@AHSEagleFB) August 16, 2018



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District 23- Alief Hastings

The 8-3 Bears' 2017 offensive MVP, senior QB **Javon Williams**, is coming off a year where he recorded 1289 passing yards, 161.1 yards per game, and 15 TDs. Williams also provided a running game by rushing for 731 yards and 7 TDs. Not only do the Bears have an offensive MVP, but they also have a defensive MVP in senior DE **Jevon Leon**. Leon recorded 72 total tackles and 7.5 sacks in nine games played.



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District 24 – Clear Springs

The 8-3 Chargers are looking for their third consecutive district championship behind senior QB **Garrett Rooker**. Rooker threw for 1,772 yards, 22 TDs, on a .611 completion percentage. Senior RB Todd Hudson, who rushed for 1,472 yards and 16 TDs, will be paired with Rooker in the backfield. The Chargers also have a rugged line with two senior

DE **Jason Gold** and Jacob Mueller. Gold and Mueller combined for 93 total tackles. With a strong defensive line and a high-powered offense behind Hudson and Rooker, expect the Chargers to win their third straight district championship.

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— Jason Gold Jr. (@Jasongold_) May 19, 2018
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