

# Battle of the Prairie

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With plenty of rivalries across DFW there are some that can shake cities and change the lives of everyone involved. In Grand Prairie, rivalries such as these exist, dividing a city in red and blue. Grand Prairie vs South Grand Prairie fills the Gopher-Warrior bowl during this mid season matchup with energy that is unmatched throughout football. With various talents that have played at the next level the action within the game is always something that will leave you breathless.

**Tray Allen**, a former SGP standout went on to play at The University of Texas, recalls his first time playing in the rivalry.

"It was breath taking, being a sophomore you just try and take it all in. The sights, the feeling, it all gives you a sense of euphoria."

This rivalry is what creates the legends of the Texas Friday Night Lights. Players come down the tunnel ready to play their hearts out for bragging rights and the pride of their city. The little league teams, wearing their jerseys, fill the front row hoping to get a simple high five from the players they view bigger even than the pros themselves. Alumni sit in the stands reminiscing of the good ole days they had at their alma mater, wishing they could still take the field themselves.

"This is the best rivalry I've been apart of, except Texas vs OU, but it is a very close second," said Allen now Offensive Coordinator at Corpus Christi Miller High School.

These teams will meet Friday October 12th for a newly formed "District of Doom" matchup that will potentially decide the fate for both squads. They will look to make their own legacies and add to the history. The bowl, and the fans that will reside in it will be looking forward to something they will never forget.

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