Week 3 Katy ISD Previews Katy, Tompkins face off in huge district matchup

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ALL GAMES DISTRICT 19-6A Friday Katy (1-1) vs. Tompkins (1-1), 6:30 p.m. at **Rhodes Stadium**

Last year: Katy 14, Tompkins 13 • District 19-6A play kicks off with one of the most anticipated and best games we might see all year. Katy and Tompkins will meet in first district game of the season in what could be a matchup with far reaching implications.

Both teams come off of losses to very strong teams in week two and both will be hoping to take lessons into this week and their first game of district play.

Katy narrowly lost to Atascocita last week in a matchup of two top ten ranked teams in the state. Katy found success on both sides of the ball, but the most important thing for the Tigers will be correcting mistakes that cost them in a game that was winnable.

Romel Jordan had 82 yards rushing in the game while Tremayne Hill had 60 yards on the ground. Gunner Nelson threw for 143 yards. The Tigers struggled agains the run in the game on defense, allowing 249 yards.

Tompkins comes off a thrilling overtime game against Bridgeland, where they lost 41-35 but took many positives.

Caleb Blocker was terrific in his first game of the year, rushing for 216 yards and four touchdowns while catching four passes for 15 yards and another touchdown. The team played backup quarterback Justin Thierheimer in the matchup after Wyatt Young re-aggravated a hamstring injury in week one, and Thierheimer impressed, completing 18 of 26 passes for 153 yards and a touchdown. Where Tompkins will need to improve going forward is with their pass defense. The Falcons allowed 254 yards through the air in the game, including 136 yards to wide receiver Oscar Nnanna. The Falcons' run defense was very solid, but a fumble in overtime cost Tompkins as Bridgeland was able to score a touchdown and win the game off of this.

It will be a battle of two heavyweights and the winner will probably come from the team that corrects mistakes the most going into this week. Katy will need to be better at not turning the ball over and will have to shore up their run defense against a team that has one of the best running attacks in the area, while Tompkins will hope their stout run defense keeps up while they will need to be strong against the play action pass. It should be just as good as last year's game with two teams that are fighting for top spots in district.

Cinco Ranch (1-1) vs. Taylor (0-2), 7:15 p.m. at Legacy Stadium

Last year: Cinco Ranch 49, Taylor 28 In a game that is extremely important for both teams as they hope to battle for playoff spots, Cinco Ranch will take on Taylor on Friday. Both teams come off of losses in their last non-district games and both will be trying to regroup and be ready for an important game. Cinco Ranch comes off a 35-6 loss to Klein Oak, where they struggled to get things going through the air and were unable to stop the Klein Oak offense. The run game worked for Cinco; they got 79 yards out of sophomore running back Marcus Gadlin and 56 yards and a touchdown from Tessiah Young, but the pass game was not nearly as



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Katy's Oliver Ginn runs down the sideline as Katy head coach Gary Joseph looks on during a game between Katy and Tompkins at Legacy Stadium last year.



Tompkins' Chris Gilbert Jr. throws a touchdown during a game between Katy and Tompkins at Legacy Stadium last year.

effective.

Charlie Adamoli completed four of 13 passes for 24 yards, while Connor Brock completed seven of 13 passes for 95 yards. Drew Tureau caught three passes for 59 yards and Scott Eckel caught five passes for 49 yards to lead Cinco.

Taylor also comes off a loss, 41-15 to George Ranch, in what was a game where Taylor was able to stay close in the first half before George Ranch pulled away in the second half. Ethan Jacobson was a bright spot for Taylor, rushing for 64 yards and catching three passes for 37 yards, while Daniel Bruns threw for 57 after coming on in the second half. Where the Mustangs struggled is in run

week on opposite ends of the spectrum, with the Warriors coming off a huge win while the Rams come off a loss they will need to rebound from. The good thing for the Rams is that the loss came before district and gives them time to correct things before going up against Jordan. Cole Jensen threw for 115 yards in the loss, with Daylin Robinson catching seven passes for 50 yards to lead the Rams. Where the Rams struggled offensively was with the run, as they garnered just 40 yards in total. Defensively, Mayde Creek allowed over 230 yards on the ground, which will need to be better against Jordan.

The Warriors, meanwhile, won big against Kingwood. Colin Willetts was exceptional, throwing for 403 yards in just one half of action to go with five touchowns

Andrew Marsh led the Warriors' receivers, catching six passes for 142 yards and a touchdown, while Zechariah Sample had three catches for 80 yards and a score, Chad Gasper had two catches for 62 yards and a touchdown, Van Keith Brown had a catch for 54 yards and Deacon Stanfield had a catch for 47 yards. Defensively the Warriors only allowed 58 yards passing and 86 yards receiving in a dominant win.

Jordan will look to continue their strong play and start to build a running game, while

Mayde Creek will try to reset and take a step forward as both try to start district in the right way.

Paetow (0-2) vs. Morton Ranch (0-2), 6:30 p.m. at Legacy Stadium

Last year: Paetow 34, Morton Ranch 29 Last year's matchup between Paetow and Morton Ranch was an important one and it could be the same this year as both teams try to start out district on the right note and earn a win that could boost their playoff chances down the road.

Both teams will also be searching for their first win of the season, as both showed some good signs but went 0-2 in non-district play.

Paetow comes off a 17-0 loss to Cy-Ranch this week, where the team struggled to get things going offensively.

Brock Nichols was efficient in the pass game, completing nine of 13 attempts, but managed 61 yards and threw an interception. Javaughnnn Waldron led the team in rushing, with 27 yards and Camelleon Hawkins had 30 yards receiving, good for tops on the team.

The offense struggled throughout the game, but the Paetow defense stepped up to only allow 17 points, and although that wasn't enough for the win, it showed positive growth for the team following the first week.

Morton Ranch comes off a very close loss to Kingwood Park, as they fell 35-27.

The Mavericks' run game was very successful. Senior running back Ryan Hall ran for 165 yards and two touchdowns on 23 carries, while Mike Gerald had 84 rushing yards and a score. In the pass game, Markel McNeal was the biggest presence, catching six passes for 118 yards and a score. Gerald and Treylin Dixon split time at quarterback, with Gerald throwing for 99 yards and a score along with an interception, while Dixon completed three of five passes for 55 yards. Morton Ranch did struggle to stop the pass game of Kingwood Park, however, allowing Jaxon Sims to complete 17 of 22 passes for 195 yards and a score.

Saturday's game between the two teams will be all about the teams' two strengths, as Paetow prides itself on stopping opposing teams' run games, while Morton Ranch's goal is to pound the run and build off of that every game. It could be a game of which side wears down first as both look to start district off with a win.

Water District **Notice of Public Hearing** on Tax Rate

The HARRIS-WALLER COUNTIES MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 3 will hold a public hearing on a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2023 on Monday, September 18, 2023, at 1:30P.M. at the offices of Allen Boone Humphries Robinson, 3200 Southwest Freeway, Suite 2600, Houston, TX 77027. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the tax rate that is adopted and on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property. The change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in the taxable value of all other property determines the distribution of the tax burden among all property owners.

defense, where they allowed 206 yards.

The difference in this game may be which team defends the run better. Both teams will want to lean on their strong run games and will want to be better defensively as they try to start district with a win.

Saturday

Jordan (2-0) vs. Mayde Creek (1-1), 6:30 p.m. at Rhodes Stadium

Last year: Jordan 42, Mayde Creek 15 · Jordan and Mayde Creek come into this





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FOR the proposal:	Tony Bonaventure, Monica Luedecke, Jennifer White, Steve Dornak, Valerie Davis
AGAINST the proposal:	None
PRESENT and not voting:	None
ABSENT:	None

The following table compares taxes on an average residence homestead in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average residence homestead this year.

	Last Year	This Year
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.93000/\$100 Adopted	\$0.88000/\$100 Proposed
Difference in rates per \$100 of value	\$-0.05000 /\$100	
Percentage increase/decrease in rates (+/-)		-5.38%
Average appraised residence homestead value	\$549,538.00	\$615,496.00
General homestead exemptions available (excluding 65 years of age or older or disabled person's exemptions)	\$61,505.00	\$59,261.00
Average residence homestead taxable value	\$488,033.00	\$556,235.00
Tax on average residence homestead	\$4,538.71	\$4,894.87
Annual increase/decrease in taxes if proposed tax rate is adopted (+/-) and percentage of increase (+/-)		\$356.16 7.85%

NOTICE OF TAXPAYERS' RIGHT TO ELECTION TO REDUCE TAX RATE

If the district adopts a combined debt service, operation and maintenance, and contract tax rate that would result in the taxes on the average residence homestead increasing by more than 8 percent, the qualified voters of the district by petition may require that an election be held to determine whether to reduce the operation and maintenance tax rate to the voter-approval tax rate under Section 49.23603, Water Code.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

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