

## EAGLES *FOOTBALL* GRIDIRON NEWS

Eagles eye on clawing the

Laredo Alexander Bulldogs

### **2019 HOMECOMING GAME**

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The Eagle Pass Eagles varsity football team under the direction of head football coach Tom Gonzalez return home on Friday, October 25, 2019 after a tough loss at the hands of the Laredo United South Panthers last week to entertain the perennially tough Laredo Alexander Bulldogs in a key and vital 7:00 PM District 29-6A gridiron encounter at the Eagle Pass ISD Student Activity Center Cozel Foster-Veterans Memorial Stadium that has major playoff implications riding on the line as the Alexander Bulldogs, Eagle Pass Eagles and Del Rio Rams are battling for the third and fourth place playoff spots. This game has been designated as Eagle Pass High School’s 2019 Homecoming Game with the coronation of the King and Queen and the Royal Court taking place during the halftime festivities.

## Eagles-Laredo Alexander Football Game Preview: Fri. Oct. 25, 2019

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The visiting Laredo Alexander Bulldogs mentored by head football coach Sergio Salinas will venture into this matchup sporting an overall season record of 4 wins and 3 losses and a district mark of 2 wins and 1 loss. The Bulldogs offense is led by their starting quarterback Jay Santos #10 who runs the offense very well and is very accurate with his throws in their passing game. The featured workhorse running back will be Camilo Pedraza #3 a very tough hardnosed runner that has great vision when he carries the ball and is also an excellent receiver out of the back field, Ricky Ramirez #32 will be their fullback a big and string blocker.

The Bulldogs solid and reliable quartet of receivers will include Jonathan Castillo #14 as the Z-Receiver very quick runs his patterns very well, Nathan Jasso #1 as the wing back a very good and dependable receiver, Junior Rodriguez #9 as the slot back a very smart receiver that also serves as their backup quarterback and brings plenty of experience to the field and Iker Jaimes #6 as the Y-Receiver a very good receiver with great hands that will run the deep patterns.

The Bulldogs offensive line will be comprised by Pedro Garcia #65 at left tackle, Juan Guerra #77 at left guard, Jesus Vargas #62 at center, Rigo Rodriguez #66 at right guard and Greg Cortez #77 at right tackle.

Defensively the Alexander Bulldogs will lineup in a Base 3-4 with loose man coverage with Robert Resendez #63 at defensive end, Nathan Vasquez #55 at nose guard, and Luis Alvarado #16 as the anchor end. The line backing corps will feature Andrew Guerra #51 as the Mike, Marcos Saldivar #31 as the Sam, Brady Segovia #44 as the Will and Marco Torres #13 as the Hybrid.

The Bulldogs defensive secondary will be patrolled by Steven Maszatics #31 and Ben Puig #12 at the corners with Devan Ethridge #5 and Nomar Garcia #25 as the safeties.

All four defensive backs are very athletic and very aggressive with their coverage.

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The home standing Eagle Pass Eagles will enter this marquee matchup with an overall season record of 5 wins with 3 losses and a district record of 2 wins and 2 losses. The Eagles will certainly reload their well balanced diversified and explosive offense with quarterback Allan Rodriguez and their backfield tandem of the swift and elusive freshman running back TJ Mares and the bruising running back Isaac Caballero focused on toting the pigskin all the way into the promise land from anywhere out on the field on any given play. The Eagles aerial attack will feature a bevy of quick footed and sure handed wide receiving corps with the likes of Dakota Kypuros, Carlos Santos, Chris Hiller, Cgc Ritchie, Carlos Lopez and David Lopez will play a major role in determining the final outcome of this game. But the key to success in this game will be entrusted into the hands of the offensive line that must regroup and simply dominate the line of scrimmage that will enable the Eagles to turn their running and passing game loose into the secondary and on the way to pay dirt.

Defensively the Eagles famed “**Land Sharks**” hard hitting, stingy and quick pursuing defensive unit will once again be heavily tested but as usual they never back down from any challenges. The front Four of MJ McGehee, Andres Conde, Santa Martinez and Charlie Schuessler will need to win the battle in the trenches to nullify the Bulldogs running game and must apply the defensive pressure to disrupt the Bulldogs passing game. The line backing trio of Joe Samaniego, Jacob Salinas, and Saul Peralez will need to roam freely to help in run support as well as contribute in pass coverage. The defensive secondary crew of standout Kristian Barcena, David Lopez, Jose Hernandez and hard hitting Mando De Los Santos will be heavily tested but rest assure they will accept that challenge of holding the Bulldogs aerial assault in check. Look for the Eagles defense to force a couple of key turnovers in this game.

Eagle Pass Sports Central wishes the mighty Eagles the very best of luck against the Laredo Alexander Bulldogs and invites the Loyal Legion of Eagles faithful as well as the entire community of Eagle Pass, Texas to come out to the stadium this coming Friday night and support the Eagles. GO EAGLES! BEAT THE BULLDOGS!