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Eagle Pass Eagles

Final Defensive Stats

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The famed Eagle Pass Eagles ***“Land Sharks”*** defensive unit, under the direction of Defensive Coordinator Roger Olvas, has year in and year out produced one of the premier defensive units not only in District 29-6A but in the entire UIL Region IV Class 6A as well. Widely known for their notoriety of being a well coached, well disciplined and aggressive squad, that never backs down from any challenge, the Eagles defense closed another banner year in helping to the lead the Eagle Pass Eagles to an overall season record of 7 wins with 5 losses and earned a post season playoff berth. The Eagles stingy, hard hitting and quick pursuing defense was instrumental in the historical bi-district victory over the PSJA Bears holding the explosive Bears scoreless in the entire second half in their stunning 42 unanswered point comeback victory.

Game in and game out. the Eagles defense made their presence known inflicting their bone rattling tackles, coming up with key goal line stances inside the red zone as well as coming up

with key game changing turnover plays. The Eagles defense was led by their truly standout outside linebacker Joe Samaniego #28 one of their three unanimous all-district first team defense selections who led the team with a phenomenal 148 total tackles. This mark ranks as one of the highest total marks of total tackles in a single season in the 100 year old history of the Eagle Pass Eagles football program. Inside linebacker Jacob Salinas #45 was second on the team with 112 tackles.
Unanimous all-district first team defensive end Charlie Schuessler #44 led the team in tackles for a loss with 26 and also led the team in QB Sacks with 8 followed by MJ McGehee #24 with 6, David Lopez #13 led the team in caused fumbles with 3, Kristian Barcena #2 led the team in interceptions with 6 as well as in blocked passé with 11.

Eagle Pass Sports Central congratulates the entire Eagle Pass Eagles ***"Land Sharks"*** defense on a truly remarkable season and we thank each of you for all of the countless number of thrills and memories that each of you provided this season as well as
throughout your entire respective Eagle Pass High School varsity football career and we wish each of
you the very best of luck in all of your future endeavors.
Arriba Los
Eagles!

DEFENSIVETEAM TOTALS:

Yards Rushing Allowed: 1160 Avg. yards per game 98.3

Yards Passing Allowed: 1040 Avg. yards per game 161 6

Total Yards' Allowed: 3120 Avg. yards per game 260.0

Points Allowed: 299 Avg. points per game 24.9

INDIVIDUAL DFENSIVE STATS::

#28 Joe Samaniego 148 tackles 15 tackles for a loss 5 QB Sacks, 2 caused fumbles

2 interceptions, 4 blocked passes 4 game changers 4 Big Hits

#45 Jacob Salinas 112 tackles 14 tackles for a loss 1 caused fumble 1fumble

recovery1 interception for a touchdown 2 blocked passes 2 Big Hits

#44 Charlie Schuessler 75 tackles 26 tackles for a loss 8 QB Sacks 2 caused fumbles

2 fumble recoveries 4blocked passes 4game changers 9 Big Hits

#29 Jose Hernandez 70 tackles 1 tackle for a loss 2 caused fumbles 1 interception

3 game changers 7Big Hits

#2 Kristian Barcena 68 tackles 1 tackle for a loss 0.5 QB Sacks 2 caused fumbles

1fumble recovery 6 interceptions 11 blocked pass 6game changers

2 Big Hits 1 defensive touchdown.

#42 Andres Conde 61 tackle 10 tackles for a loss 3 QB Sacks 1 fumble recovery

3 Big Hits

#21 Saul Peralez 55 tackles 5 tackles for a loss 2 QB Sacks 1 block pass 2 Big Hits

#24 MJ McGehee 55 tackles 9 tackles for a loss 6 QB Sacks 2 caused fumbles

#13 David Lopez 52 tackles 2 tackles for a loss 4 caused fumbles 1 fumble recovery

5 blocked passes 4 Big Hits

#1 Mando De Los Santos 50 tackles 1 caused fumble 1 blocked pass 7 Big Hits

#55 Tommy Cantu 36 tackles 9 tackles for a loss 3 QB Sacks 1 fumble recovery

#4 Jacob Ruiz 36 tackles 4 blocked passes 1 Big Hit

#12 Orly Martinez 33 tackles 1 tackle for a loss 1 fumble recovery 2 interceptions

3 game changers 1 Big Hit 1 Defensive touchdown

#34 Uriel Martinez 32 tackles 2 tackles for a los 1 caused fumble 1 locked pass

1 Big Hit

#48 Nathan Aguilar 23 tackles 3 tackles for a loss 2 QB Sacks 1 caused fumble

2 Big Hits

#22 Andres Perez 21 tackles 3 tackles for a loss 0.5 QB Sacks 1 interception

1 Big Hit

#56 Santana Martinez 19 tackles 1 tackle for a loss

#40 Eric Lara 17 tackles 1 tackle for a loss 1 QB Sack

#25 Eddie Sepulveca 1 caused fumble 1 blocked pass

#23 Henry Browning 11 tackles 1 fumble recovery 1 Big Hit

#31 Ray Rodriguez 9 tackles 1 fumble recovery 1 Big Hit