

# champions are made here



Above: Brothers Tobias Morris (11) and Jake Morris (11) celebrate a victory against the team's longtime rival South Panola.

1. Coach Trent Hammond speaks to the varsity football players following the game against Brandon.
2. McKenzie Richardson (12) rushes to recover a Clarksdale fumble.
3. The Golden Wave football team pours onto the field in their new grey uniforms as they prepare to take on Corinth.

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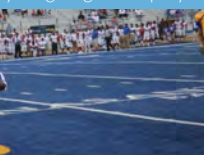
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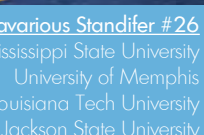
1. Players on the sideline hold up their helmets as they watch the team kick off on the field.  
2. Golden Wave players line up to take on the Clarksdale Wildcats.

## the next step

Underclassmen varsity football players received offers from colleges and multiple offers from D-1 level schools. Standout players Jett Johnson (11), and Jaquerrius Williams (10) have received a total of 29 offers going on to play at the next level are featured on page 116.



**Jaquerrius Williams #5**  
Arkansas State University



**Javarious Standifer #26**  
Mississippi State University  
University of Memphis  
Louisiana Tech University  
Jackson State University  
Arkansas State University  
University of Texas at San Antonio



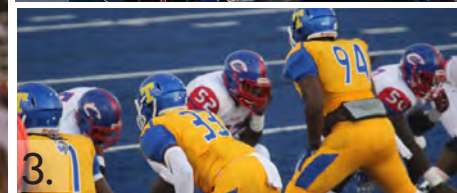
**Peter Gray #83**  
University of Louisiana-Monroe  
Mercer University  
Troy University  
University of Louisiana Lafayette  
Middle Tennessee State University  
University of Memphis  
University of Southern Mississippi  
University of South Alabama  
United States Military Academy  
Western Michigan University  
University of Texas at San Antonio  
Florida Atlantic University  
Texas State University



**Jett Johnson #44**  
University of Mississippi  
**University (committed)**  
Tulane University  
Troy University  
University of Memphis  
Tennessee State University  
University of South Alabama  
University of Louisville  
University of Toledo



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2. Defensive players tackle a Corinth offensive player.  
3. Golden Wave players take on the Clarksdale football team.

The feeling of winning became a familiar emotion for the 2016 varsity football team. Led by a dynamic combination of underclassmen, the Golden Wave won thirteen games straight before falling to Madison Central in the second round of the playoffs. The young team faced many doubts of their ability at the beginning of the season.

"I was expecting us to have a good season, but I did not expect us going undefeated," said offensive lineman Harrison Broadaway (11).

However, sophomores, quarterback Stephon McGlaun (10) and running back Jaquerrius "J-Rock" Williams (10) led the team to a perfect regular season record.

For a team full of winners with dreams of a state championship, the first loss of the season was an emotional game for everyone involved. The game was senior's last game to play at Renasant Field, but the team pushed through to appreciate the work they had done for a great last season.

"Everybody was sad and thinking about the things we could have done better to win, but there was also admiration for the season we had," said Broadaway.