Thursday, November 12, 2026

Greyhound Stadium

2026 Bi-District Playoffs

Taft Greyhounds

VS

Ganado Indians

Dear Greyhound Fans,
Welcome to Greyhound Stadium, Home of the Mighty Greyhounds! Our 2026 season will be filled with success and unforgettable memories.

Thank you to our students, staff, parents, and community members for supporting our academic and extracurricular programs. At Taft ISD, we achieve greatness when we combine our unique strengths and work as a united force.

It gives me great pleasure to recognize our 2026 Football, Cross Country, and Volleyball teams, alongside our Band, Cheerleaders, Color Guard, and Athletic Trainers! Your hard work and commitment set a heroic example for our Whippets and Pups. Continue to lead with respect, honor, and unmistakable Taft Pride!

Dr. Irene Garza
Superintendent of Schools, Taft ISD



Taft ISD Spectator Behavior Expectations

- Always offer positive encouragement to your team. Do not ridicule or belittle opposing players, coaches, or fans.
- Model respectful behavior by maintaining self-control and demonstrating good sportsmanship, regardless of the outcome of the game.
- Treat all participants—opposing players, coaches, officials, and fellow spectators—with courtesy and respect.
- Accept the decisions of game officials with dignity and restraint, even when you disagree.
- Spectators are not allowed on the field/court before, during or after the game.
- Remember, your behavior reflects on our school and community. Support a safe, respectful, and enjoyable environment for all.

Administrators on duty and law enforcement officers reserve the right to remove any individual from the facility who does not fulfill these expectations.

(Effective Beginning 2025–2026 School Year)

TEXAS LAW: SB 2929

Game officials may now REMOVE SPECTATORS IMMEDIATELY for disruptive or inappropriate behavior.
No warning is required.

Your cooperation helps model good sportsmanship and protect the integrity of our programs.

-Cheer for our players, not against the other team.
-Treat officials and visiting teams with respect.
-Keep events positive for everyone.

If a spectator is asked to leave:
-The decision is final under Texas law.
-Schools are allowed 3 incidents before losing home officials.

GREYHOUND STADIUM GUIDELINES

THINGS TO KNOW BEFORE YOUR VISIT

- Taft ISD has a Clear bag policy.
  No outside food, drinks, or drink containers.
- Woodroe Petty Elementary & RLTJHS students must be accompanied by a ticketed adult to enter event.
- NO sports balls allowed in for play in open spaces. All students must be seated.
- Loitering along the fence line of the stadium is prohibited.
- All Taft ISD Athletic event tickets will be sold online only.
  www.taftisd.net / Athletic Event Information
- RLTJHS & THS student athletes must wear student ID's to events for entry with Athletic Pass.
- Senior Citizens(60+) who reside in the Taft ISD boundary are eligible for the Greyhound Gold Card. Please visit the Athletic office and bring your ID.

It's everything Taft ISD, **in your pocket.**

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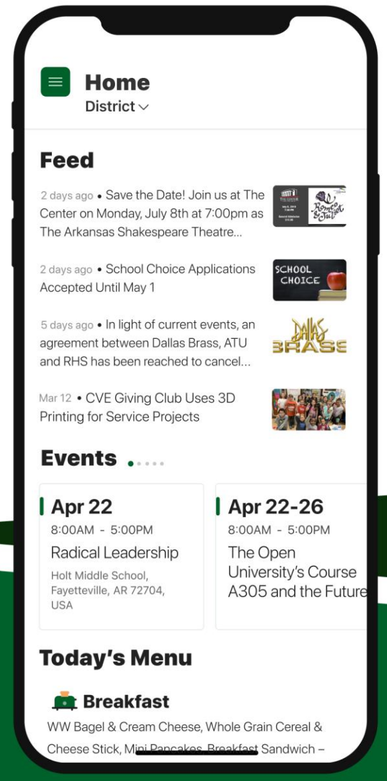
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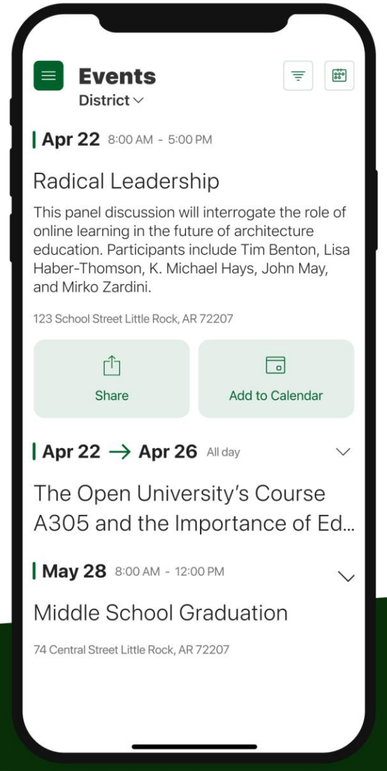
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2026 TAFT ISD CAMPUS PRINCIPALS



Mrs. Melissa Pittman
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Mrs. Vanessa Sanchez
Ricardo L. Trevino JHS Principal

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Taft High School Assistant Principal





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THS College & Career Advisor



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Stephanie LaFavers,
Woodroe Petty Elementary Asst. Principal

Clarissa Moreno,
Ricardo L. Treviño JHS Asst. Principal





Elvia Lopez-Flores,
Woodroe Petty Elementary Counselor

Elizabeth Anderson,
Ricardo L. Treviño JHS Counselor



TAFT ISD BOND 2024
Bond Update

- **Taft ISD Bond Update—November 2, 2026**
- Masonry/bricks continues to go up along the back side of the new building towards the auditorium. Even with some inclement weather, work continues on the interior as ductwork for AC is going up, electrical wiring is going in before walls are double sided and sheetrock continues to frame out spaces inside the building.









Taft ISD Coaching Staff



Joe Riojas
Taft ISD Athletic Director/Head Football Coach



Ricardo Elizondo
Offensive Coordinator



Michael Flores
Defensive Coordinator



Juan Buendia
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Alex Ayala
Assistant Coach



Alejandro Azocar
Assistant Coach



Steven Bijarro
Assistant Coach



H. Isaac Rodriguez
Assistant Coach



Joseph Rodriguez
Assistant Coach



Charles West
Assistant Coach

Taft ISD Coaching Staff



Angelica Velazquez
Head Volleyball Coach



Taylor Zabel
Asst. HS/JH VB Coach



Laney Harlen
Asst. HS/JH VB Coach



Elvia Lopez-Flores
Head Cross Country Coach
Asst. HS/JH VB Coach



Kyle Gonzalez
Assistant XC Coach



Naomi Moreno
HS Cheer Coach



Darias Whittington
HS Girls Basketball Coach



Angelina Estrada, ATC
Athletic Trainer



Nicole Borchers
JH Cheer Coach


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SPORTS MEDICINE


GREYHOUNDS
2026-2027
TAFT HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADERS


Lady Greyhounds
Bi-District Champions

2026
THS Homecoming

- 2026 Homecoming King
  Jaiden Soliz
- 2026 Homecoming Queen
  Natalie Tijerina



THS State Qualifier

A huge CONGRATULATIONS to Freshman, **Rick Rodriguez** he placed 8th at the Region IV XC Championship on October 26th and qualified to compete at the 2026 Cross Country State Championship Meet!

He will be competing on Friday, November 6th at 10:10 a.m. at Old Settlers Park in Round Rock, TX.



2026 Region IV XC Qualifiers

L-R: Coach Elvia Lopez-Flores, Antonio Maldonado, Rick Rodriguez Matthew Gonzalez, Dominick Marquez, Isaiah Villarreal, Miguel Castillo-Maya, Stephen Rojas and Coach Kyle Gonzalez





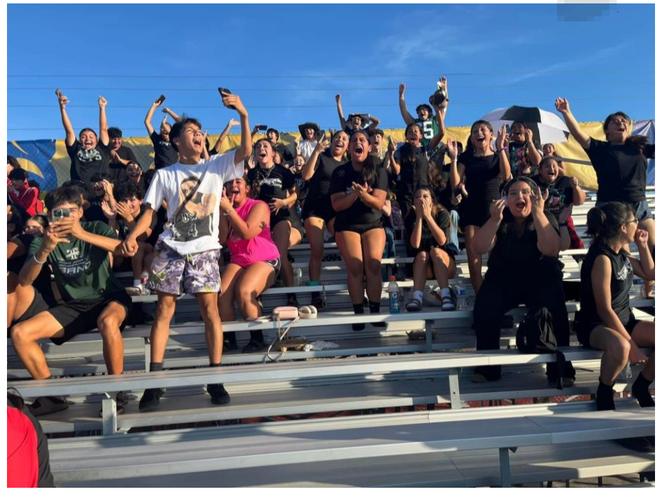
We Love Our Greyhound Families!











Taft High School Band with Pride

- Our High School Band competed at the Area Marching Band Contest Prelims and qualified for the Finals. They finished 7th in the Finals and set a foundation for continued success in the future.

Taft HS Co-Band Directors and Assistant Music Teacher



Maximus Valdez
Co-HS/JH Band Director & Color Guard



Jason Palmore
Co-HS/JH Band Director & Color Guard



Mateo Reyes
Woodroe Petty Elementary Music Teacher

THS DRUM MAJOR AND SECTION LEADERS



Chloe Rios
Drum Major



Antonio Maldonado
Percussion Section Leader



Isabella Trevino
Low Brass Section Leader



Serenity Rodriguez
Flute Section Leader



Riley Hernandez
Reeds Section Leader



Ryannon Guajardo
High Brass Section Leader

2026

Taft Greyhounds



#	POS	GR	Player	#	POS	GR	Player
1	WR/DB	SR	Michael Ortiz Jr.	23	WR/DB	SR	Sean Rosalez
2	WR/DB	SR	Michael Hiracheta	24	WR/LB	SR	Juan Jose Ozuna
3	QB/LB	SO	Ramiro Montez III	27	RB/LB	JR	Marcus Alvardo
5	QB/DB	JR	Ryan Ortiz	33	RB/LB	JR	Mike Sturgeon Jr.
6	WR/DB	SR	Timothy Tijerina	50	OL/DL	SR	Koby Nieto
7	WR/DL	SO	Avery Uvalle	52	OL/DL	SO	Kaleb Sanchez
8	QB/LB	FR	Gunner Montemayor	54	OL/DL	SO	Jacob Ortiz
9	WR/DE	SR	Jaiden Soliz	56	OL/DL	SR	Michael Mireles
10	WR/DB	SR	Gavin Martinez	63	OL/DL	JR	Ethan Hinojosa
12	WR/DB	JR	Francisco Alaniz	65	OL/DL	SO	Jordan Gonzales
15	RB/DL	SO	Dennnyel J.-Silva	66	OL/DL	JR	Ruben Gonzales Jr.
20	WR/DB	SO	Samuel Castillo Jr.	67	OL/DL	FR	Isaac Perales
21	WR/DB	SO	Cameron Mireles	70	OL/DL	JR	Luis Rodriguez III
22	RB/LB	FR	Gabriel Elizondo				



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Taft ISD Athletic Secretary: Mrs. Ida C. Martinez

Taft ISD Athletic Trainer: Angelina Estrada, ATC

2026 Ganado Indian Varsity Football Roster



Number	Name	Grade	Position
0	Zaeden Dilworth	12	WR / DB
1	Sean Willis	10	WR / DB
2	Logan Bures	12	WR / LB
3	Cade Nixon	12	WR / DB
4	Coen Ott	10	WR / DB
5	Daylon Robinson	10	WR / DB
6	Karter Crabb	10	WR / LB
7	Cameron Pittman	10	WR / LB
8	Damien Almanza	10	RB / DL
9	DJ Cortright	12	WR / LB
10	Beau Bures	9	WR / LB
11	Alexander Guerrero	10	WR / DB
12	Kyle Stancik	9	QB / DB
14	Fynlee Green	9	WR / DB
15	Landyn Arriaga	11	QB / LB
16	Brandon Moreno	11	WR / LB
17	Noah Cortes	11	WR / DB
18	Erick Cruz	9	WR / DB
19	Aiden Hernandez	9	WR / DB
20	Elijah Tomanek	11	DL
21	Kole Bures	10	RB / DL
22	Alessandro Quinones	11	WR / DB
23	Kevin Palomares	9	K
28	Sly Bundick	10	TE / DL
50	Jayce Rosalez	12	OL / DL
51	Andrew Davila	10	OL / DL
52	Jack Hurt	11	OL / DL
54	Tyler Henderson	11	OL / DL
55	Andrew Ledwig	11	OL / DL
55	Brodie Skoruppa	9	OL / DL
56	Jose-Luis Cortez-Lara	12	OL / DL
57	Michael Tristan	11	OL / DL
57	Christopher Guerrero	9	OL / DL
58	Connor Todish	11	OL / DL
58	Tyler Gonzalez	11	OL / DL
60	Jayden Hernandez	10	OL / DL
64	Haeden Dilworth	9	OL / DL
65	Gage Villanueva	9	OL / DL
70	Tyler Gonzalez	11	OL / LB
73	Pablo Lazo	9	OL / DL
75	Jose Garcia	10	OL / DL
77	Judah Dupuy	9	OL / DL



TAFT HIGH SCHOOL

GREYHOUND FOOTBALL

SCRIMMAGES

@ JOHN PAUL II CENTURIONS
Scrimmage
7:00 p.m.
Thursday, August 13, 2026
John Paul II HS Centurion Stadium

VS SGA LIONS
Scrimmage
7:15 p.m.
Thursday, August 20, 2026
Taft HS Greyhound Stadium

PRE-SEASON

@ KARNES CITY BADGERS
7:00 p.m.
Friday, August 28, 2026
Karnes City HS Badger Stadium

VS ODEM OWLS
7:30 p.m.
Little Greyhound Night
Friday, September 4, 2026
Taft HS Greyhound Stadium

DISTRICT

@ AGUA DULCE LONGHORNS*
7:00 p.m.
Friday, September 11, 2026
Agua Dulce HS Longhorn Stadium

VS FREER BUCKAROOS*
7:30 p.m.
First Responders-Military Night
Friday, September 18, 2026
Taft HS Greyhound Stadium

@ SKIDMORE-TYNAN BOBCATS*
7:30 p.m.
Friday, September 25, 2026
Skidmore-Tynan HS Bobcat Stadium

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2026 - BI-WEEK

VS REFUGIO BOBCATS*
7:30 p.m.
Friday, October 9, 2026
Taft HS Greyhound Stadium

@ PREMONT COWBOYS*
7:30 p.m.
Friday, October 16, 2026
Premont HS Cowboy Stadium

VS DILLEY WOLVES*
7:30 p.m.
Homecoming
Friday, October 23, 2026
Taft HS Greyhound Stadium

@ BANQUETE BULLDOGS*
7:30 p.m.
Friday, October 30, 2026
Banquete HS Bulldog Stadium

VS MONTE ALTO BLUE DEVILS*
7:30 p.m.
Parents Night
Friday, November 6, 2026
Taft HS Greyhound Stadium

LADY HOUNDS BASKETBALL

2026-2027 Schedule

Nov. 10	PETTUS
Nov 12-14	CCISD TOURNEY
Nov. 17	@MILLER
Nov. 20	@KING
Nov 24	CARROLL
Nov 28	CC VETS
DEC. 1	KARNES CITY
DEC 3-5	LA VERNIA TOURNEY
DEC 8	@SKIDMORE TYNAN
DEC 15	@PORT ARANSAS
DEC 18	AGUA DULCE
DEC 28-30	TULOSO TOURNEY
DEC 31	BEN BOLT
JAN 5	@BANQUETE
JAN 8	WOODSBORO
JAN 12	@REFUGIO
JAN 15	SKIDMORE TYNAN
JAN 19	PORT ARANSAS
JAN 22	@AGUA DULCE
JAN 26	@BEN BOLT
JAN 29	BANQUETE
FEB 2	WOODSBORO
FEB 5	REFUGIO



TAFT GREYHOUNDS

BASKETBALL

#WTS #Chooseyourhard

2026-2027 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	TEAM	LOCATION
NOVEMBER				
Fri, Nov 20	Taft Alumni (scrimmage)	7:00 p.m.	V	Taft
Sat, Nov 21	West Oso Bears	11a/12:15 p.m.	JV/V	West Oso
Thanksgiving Break – November 23, 2026 – November 27, 2026				
Mon, Nov 23	Premont Cowboys	11a/12:15 p.m.	JV/V	Premont
Tue, Nov 24	Robstown Cottonpickers	11a/12:10 p.m.	JV/V	Robstown
DECEMBER				
Tue, Dec 1	Karnes City Badgers	6/7:15 p.m.	JV/V	Karnes City
Thu.-Sat, Dec 3 - 5	Taft Greyhound Classic	TBA	Varsity	Taft
Tue, Dec 8	Moody Trojans	5/6:30 p.m.	JV/V	Moody
Thu.-Sat, Dec 10-12	Alice Whataburger Classic	TBA	Varsity	Alice
Mon, Dec 14	Sinton Pirates	6/7:15 p.m.	JV/V	Sinton
Fri, Dec 18	Agua Dulce Longhorns (TFT)	6/7:15 p.m.	JV/V	Taft
Sat, Dec 19	Taft JV Tournament	TBA	JV	Taft
Christmas Break – December 21, 2026 – January 6, 2027				
Mon, Dec 21	Industrial Cobras	11a/12:10 p.m.	JV/V	Industrial
Mon.-Tue, Dec 29-30	Lehman Lobos Tournament	TBA	V	Kyle
Thu, Dec 31	Ben Bolt-PB Badgers	11a/2:00p	JV/V	Taft
JANUARY				
Tue, Jan 5	Banquete Bulldogs	5/7:30 p.m.	JV/V	Banquete
Fri, Jan 8	Woodsboro Eagles	~ 5/7:30 p.m.	JV/V	Taft
Tue, Jan 12	Refugio Bobcats	5/7:30 p.m.	JV/V	Refugio
Fri, Jan 15	Skidmore-Tynan Bobcats *	5/7:30 p.m.	JV/V	Taft
Tue, Jan 19	Port Aransas Marlins *	5/7:30 p.m.	JV/V	Taft
Fri, Jan 22	Agua Dulce Longhorns	5/7:30 p.m.	JV/V	Agua Dulce
Tue, Jan 26	Ben-Bolt PB Badgers	5/7:30 p.m.	JV/V	Ben-Bolt
Fri, Jan 29	Banquete Bulldogs *	5/7:30 p.m.	JV/V	Taft

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	TEAM	LOCATION
FEBRUARY				
Tue, Feb 2	Woodsboro Eagles	5/7:30 p.m.	JV/V	Woodsboro
Fri, Feb 5	Refugio Bobcats **	5/7:30 p.m.	JV/V	Taft
Tue, Feb 9	Skidmore-Tynan Bobcats	5/6:18 p.m.	JV/V	Skidmore-Tynan
Fri, Feb 12	Port Aransas Marlins	5/6:18 p.m.	JV/V	Port Aransas

PLAY TOGETHER WIN TOGETHER

TAFT HIGH SCHOOL ALMA MATER

HAIL ALMA MATER, HATS OFF TO YOU.
EVER YOU'LL FIND US, LOYAL AND TRUE.
FIRM AND UNDAUNTED, EVER WE'LL BE
HAIL TO THE SCHOOL WE LOVE
HERE'S A TOAST TO THEE!



TAFT HIGH SCHOOL FIGHT SONG

FIGHT! FIGHT! FIGHT FOR TAFT HIGH!
YOU'VE GOTTA SEE THOSE COLORS TRUE.
FIGHT! FIGHT! FIGHT FOR TAFT HIGH!
YOU'VE GOTTA SEE THAT BALL STRAIGHT THROUGH.
WHEN THE GAME IS OVER, YOU'LL KNOW–
IT WAS A CASE OF DO OR DIE.
IT WAS VICTORY AND THAT'S THE SPIRIT OF OL' TAFT HIGH!