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Greer Rewriting the Record Books



Josh Greer, QB

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He was a sophomore suited up on the varsity sidelines watching his mentor, former Arlington High star & current TAMU quarterback, Matt Joeckel throw for nearly 3,000 yards and 39 scores in leading the Colts deep into playoffs. Josh Greer envisioned the day he would do the same. Now in his senior year, through 6 games, the student is well on his way to not only emulating but surpassing his teacher.

After observing [Matt Joeckel](#) in 2008 and 2009, and backing up [Miles Onyegbule](#) last year, [Josh Greer](#) was fully ready to take steer of the ship this season in his final sail.

His numbers prove it.

The third-ranked passer in Dallas-Area 5A football has completed 97 of 165 passes for 1,666 yards and 14 touchdowns through six games to head a squad that ranks 2nd in the Area in total offense.

After just five games, Greer was already further along than Joeckel in '09 when he basically wrote Arlington High's record books. In that season, Joeckel completed 82 of 143 passes for 1,168 yards through the first five.

Shoot, Greer nearly racked that many yards after just *three* games this year (1,031), setting the new three-game passing record, while within that also breaking the single-game record throwing for 444 yards in the season opener.

In addition to his arm, the 6-foot-4, 208-pounder has even shown he can use the ground when needed, keeping the ball 41 times for 88 yards and 2 scores.

And while Greer is happy with the numbers he's posted, and humbled to think he will join his mentors (Onyegbule included) as one of the best quarterbacks in Arlington High history, he is certainly not satisfied. He notes the work is far from completed.

"I mean it's a big deal because they were great quarterbacks," said Greer, "but the record I want to get is going deeper into the playoffs than Matt and Miles did... Matt made it to the 4th round. So we got to make it farther than that. And we will."

"I tell him that, too," smiled Greer, who is still very close with Joeckel.

After a 47-16 win over one of the state's top defenses in Arlington Martin, followed by a 63-7 rout of Weatherford, a deep-season run is certainly doable for the Colts who look to boost to 3-1 in district against Arlington Sam Houston this week.

"We've been playing more like a family lately. Everything's just clicking," noted Greer. "We keep doing what we're doing, and we'll go far."

Surprisingly, with this team and individual success, Greer reports no new college programs have entered the picture since the start of season. He said, if anything, it's raising the interest of schools he had already been talking to- like [Arkansas](#), [SMU](#), [North Texas](#), and [Utah State](#). Greer now hopes offers will follow.

He breaks down his status with each:

Arkansas: They're still kind of waiting. They want to come see me play, so they'll make a decision after they come see me play in person. They've seen my highlight film and they like it. I should talk to them sometime this week and know what's going on.

SMU: I've been talking to them for a while. Now it's kind of a weird deal with [Garrett Gilbert](#) transferring, so I don't really know. I'm going to talk to Coach Morrison tonight and see what's going on.

North Texas: It's kind of the same deal. They're still evaluating me and another kid. They should make a decision pretty quick.

Utah State: They say they really like me. They're going to come down for the North Crowley game (Oct. 28). They say I'm number one on their list, they just have to see me in person before they go any farther.

Greer admits the recruiting process has been frustrating, especially when playing the "wait-and-see" game. He's thankful to those who have been there throughout for advice, guidance, and peace of mind- like his running back and close friend [Tavarreon Dickerson](#), his father, and guys that have been through the process-- his QB coach Kevin Murray, and Joeckel and Onyegbule.

"It's really frustrating, but there's nothing I can do about it but play football, so that's what I'm doing. That's what I'm focused on," Greer confidently stated. "Our goal is to win out, and definitely beat Bowie. That's a big game, last game of the season. A win will definitely gives us a lot of momentum going into playoffs."

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