

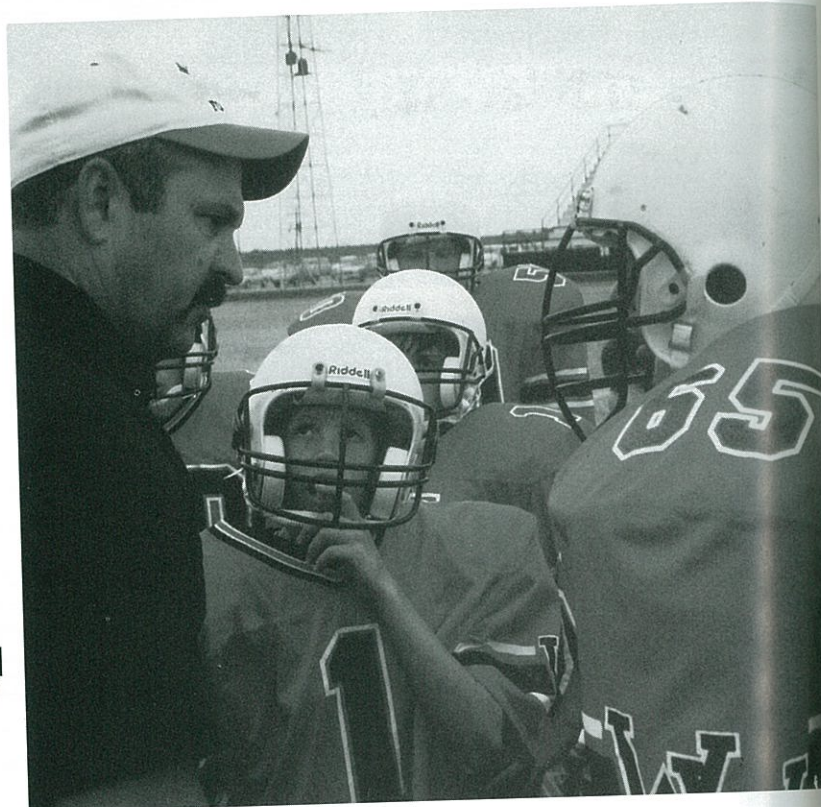
Getting Ready to Prowl

Tenacious Young Cats improve as season progresses

The junior high football team finished the year with a record of 1-6-1. Nonetheless, Coach Roger Martin has pride in his team and feels that the 1998 season was a positive one. "This was a growing experience for the seventh graders, especially since we had eight starting on both sides of the football," Coach Martin said. The highlight of the year came when the young Cats persevered and held Rankin to six points through four quarters and ended up scoring a touchdown with a little less than four minutes to go in the game. After a successful two-point conversion, the Wildcat defense held the Red Devils and secured a hard fought victory.



Eighth grader Clay Haws listens intently to every word as Coach Cary Shackelford gives some words of advice to seventh grade middle line-backer T. J. Gonzales.



Making sure his teammates are set, eighth grade quarterback O'Ryan White surveys the field during the team's game against the Rankin Red Devils.

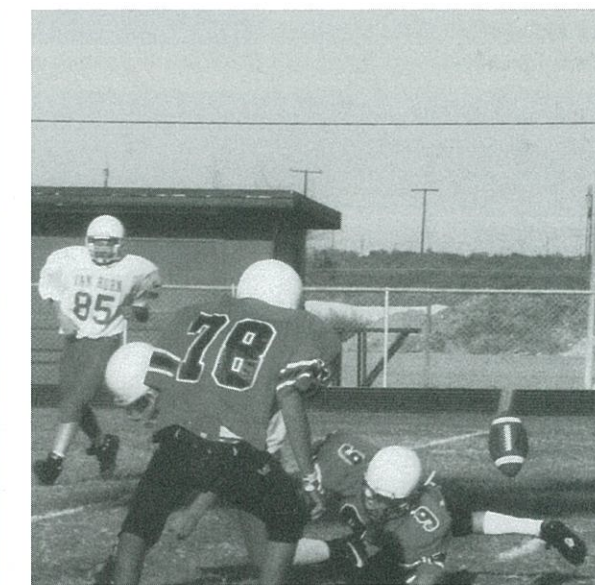


Seventh grader Zach Hanna (11) acts as a decoy, as guard T.J. Gonzales prepares to clear the way for quarterback O'Ryan White's bootleg pass.



The Wink Junior High offensive line tries to clear the way for ballcarrier O'Ryan White.

Seventh grader Austin Robertson breaks up a pass as eighth grader Raudel Villalpando rushes up to assist.



Junior High Football Team: Back-Coach Roger Martin, Raudel Villalpando, Tyrel Brown, Levi Harris, Gil Shackelford, Brandon Wolfe, Justin Jamison, T.J. Gonzales; middle- Bear Haring, Cory Calaway, Cody Stephens, Terry Rich, Austin Robertson, Marc Rainwater, Kenny Denmon; front-manager Daniel Shirey, Daniel Gray, Garrett Wolf, Rudy Armendariz, O'Ryan White, Erick Barrandey, Clay Haws, Zach Hanna, and manager Scott Rossel



Punter Raudel Villalpando rushes to get a kick off ahead of a Rankin defender.