

# TYLER LEE BASKETBALL

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## Mark Your Calendars

- **Burger King Classic**  
November 28-29
- **Nacogdoches @ home**  
December 1
- **Lindale Hoop Heaven**  
December 4-6
- **Lufkin @ home**  
December 9

**Check our web-site  
for an updated  
schedule. Start mak-  
ing plans to attend a  
game today!**

## RAIDERS SPEND TIME WITH CALDWELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

Some Red Raider players and Coach Lounds recently visited the campus of Caldwell Elementary School. There they spoke to a group of students about the importance of academics and behavior. Coach Lounds emphasized the expectations of what it means to be a student/athlete and the responsibility that the label carries. The students were encouraged to set goals and guidelines to start becoming productive citizens.

After speaking with the students, REL senior Elliott Davis instructed the youth on basic basketball skills. The students were introduced to proper form

shooting and passing as well as dribbling habits. This was a fun time for the staff and players of the Red Raider program to get to spend with some of our younger fans. It was also a great opportunity to help guide our youth through encouragement and modeling.

The Caldwell students also enjoyed the chance of being mentored by the older kids. Gregory Dean, Caldwell counselor and organizer of the event, said "It was a great experience for our kids as they learned that character counts on the BBall court!!"

Thanks to Caldwell Elementary for giving our players and coaches the



Coach Lounds instructs Deashun Davis from Caldwell while.

experience of giving back to the community, it was a great day for all of us involved!

## MEET THE RAIDERS: A SUCCESSFUL SEASON'S START

The Red Raiders were introduced to friends and family at Pollard Methodist Church during the first ever Meet the Raiders Night. The players and their immediate families were treated to hamburgers and delicious deserts.

The freshman boys were honored and the JV boys were announced by Coach

Lounds. Coach Johnston presented the varsity team to the filled gymnasium where the event took place. Coach Johnston introduced each player and discussed the team's season goals and challenged those in attendance to support the young men through the trials of their season.

The evening was

very special to the program. The event could not have taken place if it were not for the organization from the REL mother's and support from Pollard UMC, Brookshire's, Coke Company and Joseph's catering. Thank you also for those who were involved by were not mentioned. It was a true testament to a TEAM effort!

## A MESSAGE FROM COACH J.

The season has certainly gotten here in a hurry and we are excited about the chances this team has. We ask a lot of our athletes during the season and they give up so much to be a part of the basketball team. While the students at REL are gone for the entire week of Thanksgiving the boys in red and black will be in the gym working out and playing games. A few weeks later when the Christmas holiday's get here they (athletes) will again sacrifice the better part of the break to workout and play in games. I know these young men do this out of their compassion and pleasure in playing and being a part of the team; this is the reason we should support them through the good and bad days of a very long season. Basketball season is a very long season that seems to go by way to fast. I challenge the boys to make the most of everyday. The games are there for fun

and memory making chances. My hope is that our school and community will rally behind this team and show them the appreciation they deserve for the sacrifices they make to play something they enjoy. I can assure you all that the young men we have chosen to represent you across the state are quality young men with integrity, character, strong work ethic and heart.

The basketball program congratulates Coach Owens, his staff, the athletes and the support groups on another wonderful football season. We will be adding some new faces now that football season has concluded. But certainly applaud the Red Raider football team on a job well done and playing each and every game with a champion's heart.

*- Coach Johnston*

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## RED RAIDER SPOTLIGHT: MICHAEL BALKEY

*"Make an effort,  
Not an excuse!"*

*Mr. Ward*

**What elementary school did you attend?**  
Owens

**What is your most memorable moment from Junior High?**  
I did not have a very memorable junior high.

**Who is your favorite teacher at Lee and why?**

Ms. Griffin. She teaches economics in a way that I understand how to use in the real world.

**Of all the opportunities Lee HS to offer, why did**

**you choose basketball?**  
Basketball builds team leadership and self discipline.

**What advice would you give to an incoming freshman?**

Give it your all. Work hard from the beginning. Working hard early makes it easier on yourself in the long run.

**Where do you see yourself in 5 years?**

I plan on joining the Air Force specializing in combat control. In five years, I will be getting out of Special Ops training



**Michael Balkey**

and begin going on real missions.

**What are you looking forward to this season?**

I am looking forward to a good season with a lot of wins!

**MEET OUR FACULTY:**  
**MRS. PATTY TYLER-SMITH**

BY: LAMAR DELONG

I enjoy Mrs. Tyler-Smith's sociology class because it is a laid back atmosphere and I enjoy learning about different cultures in the world. We generally have open discussion topics, which allows me to keep an open mind on all issues. I respect Mrs. Tyler-Smith because she has been teaching for 13 years, has three sons and is the only teacher on campus that teaches Sociology. On top of teaching Sociology, she also teaches World History. I also have tremendous respect for her for putting up with all those Sophomores!

*Here are some things you may not know about Mrs. Tyler-Smith:*

**Q: What are some of your hobbies away from school?**

**A:** Reading, exercise, and playing Manjogg

**Q: What is your favorite sports team?**

**A:** The San Antonio Spurs

**Q: What would be your dream vacation if you could go anywhere you wanted?**

**A:** The Yucatan Peninsula or the Caribbean.

**Q: If you weren't a teacher, what profession would you like to hold?**

**A:** A flight attendant

**Thanks Mrs. Tyler-Smith!**



REL Senior Lamar DeLong

*“ If there is no  
 wind ...  
 - ROW! ”  
 -Unknown*

1 Passion.....1 Purpose

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**Brad Newberry**

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## A LOOK AT ALUMNI— BRAD NEWBERRY

Athletics has been a huge part of my life. As a young boy and even now I have love healthy competition against others on the court and field.

Coach Reid and Coach Jones taught me the fundamentals of basketball and how to compete at the best of my ability on the court, but most importantly they taught to be a young man.

Whether we won or lost both Coach Reid and Coach Jones got their point across to their players, other coaches, and referees with dignity and class.

Their attitude and sportsmanship has stuck with me as I've moved into the working world and it's made a difference in my life and career. I would hope that others that I compete against in . the working world and currently in sports would see me the same way as I view Coach Reid and Coach Jones.

I had a coach my freshman year that yelled at the top of his lungs before each practice, "It's a great day to be alive". Not a day goes by that I don't think about Coach Wright and those words that he yelled each day. I'm grateful that God gave me the ability to compete as a young man and continues to give me the ability to compete. Basketball has been a big part of my life and I look forward to watching the current REL players leave their hearts on the court each time they play. It's a great day to be alive!

*Brad played for Robert E. Lee from '92-'96. He is currently employed with Cornerstone Brokerage as a Real Estate agent. Brad is married to Kate Newberry and has two kids, Preston and Katherine with another on the way. He is a member of First Baptist Church South Campus, where he teaches RA's, member of young 30's Sunday School class and is on the family planning committee. Brad is also a member of the East TX Baylor Club.*

<u>Date</u>	<u>Vs.</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Varsity</u>	<u>JV</u>	<u>9th</u>
Nov. 11	Whitehouse/Hallsville	Home	0-0	0-0	
Nov. 14	Lufkin (scrimmage)	Lufkin	0-0	0-0	
Nov. 18	Pine Tree	Longview	L 47-52	W	
Nov. 20-22	Wells Tourn.	Wells		TBA	
Nov. 22	Corsicana	Home	6:00		
Nov. 28	Mt. Pleasant (BK Classic)	UTT	7:00		
Nov. 29	Dallas Skyline (BK Classic)	UTT	11:30		
Dec. 1	Nacogdoches	Home	7:30	6:00	4:30
Dec. 4-5-6	Hoop Heaven Tourn.	Lindale	TBA		
Dec. 4-5-6	Henderson Tourn.	Henderson		TBA	TBA
Dec. 9	Lufkin	Home	7:00	5:30	5:00/6:00
Dec. 12	Pampa	Garland	1:30		
Dec. 13	Lake Highlands	South Garland	1:30		
Dec. 16	Nacogdoches	Nacogdoches	7:30	6:00	4:30
Dec. 19	Lindale	Home	7:30	6:00	5:00/6:00
Dec. 29-31	Holiday Tournament	Lufkin	TBA		
Jan. 3	Jacksonville	Home	3:00	1:30	12:00
Jan. 6	Coppell	Home	6:30	5:00	5:00/6:30
Jan. 9	Lindale	Lindale	7:30	6:00	5:00/6:00
Jan. 16	*Mesquite	Mesquite	7:30	6:00	4:30/5:30
Jan. 20	*Mesquite Horn	Home	7:30	6:00	4:30/5:30
Jan. 23	*John Tyler	TJC	7:30		
Jan. 24	*John Tyler	John Tyler		7:00	4:30/5:30
Jan. 27	*North Mesquite	Mesquite	7:30	6:00	4:30/5:30
Jan. 30	*Desoto	Desoto	7:30	6:00	4:30/5:30
Feb. 3	*Mesquite	Home	7:30	6:00	4:30/5:30
Feb. 6	*Mesquite Horn	Mesquite	7:30	6:00	4:30/5:30
Feb. 9	*John Tyler	Home		7:00	4:30/5:30
Feb. 10	*John Tyler	TJC	7:30		
Feb. 13	*North Mesquite	Home	7:30	6:00	4:30/5:30
Feb. 17	*Desoto	Home	7:30	6:00	4:30/5:30

