

# Commerce Records

Coach Steve Savage

**2002 (11-2-0) (8A) 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
 Reg. H(2-0-0), A(2-1-0) **(4-1-0)**  
 H(6-0-0), A(5-2-0)

	We	They	
S6Fri, Franklin County	*.23	15	&&
S13Fri, Banks County	13	0	%
S20Fri, Morgan County	.10	3	^
S27Fri, Lincoln County, game postponed/too much rain---			\$
O4Fri, Lincoln County	* 28	6	+, from 9/27
O11Fri, Madison County	*.29	28	++
O18Fri, Athens Academy	# .10	14	^^
O25Fri, Athens Christian	# * 54	0	
N1Fri, Towns County	# 37	12	
N8Fri, Jefferson	# * 36	7	+++
N15Fri, Social Circle	# 37	7	
N22Fri, Bowdon	* 41	22	&
N29Fri, Trion	.14	10	&
D6Fri, Dooly County	.22	30	&
	<u>354</u>	<u>154</u>	

\*----- Home game

#----- Region game, &amp;-----Playoff game

&&--- A 99-yard TD pass play from HB Dennis Wilder toSE Jonathan Beasley became the longest TD pass in Tiger history. Claudius Bruce was honored for making Tiger sign.%----- Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> record, (16-7-1)^----- Tiger passers--QB Josh Haynes and HB Dennis Wilder combined were 11 x 11 in pass completions for the game.  
This is a Tiger record with at least 10 pass attempts.\$----- The Lincoln County game was postponed from Sept. 27 because of too much rain and played a week later, because both teams had an open date on Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>.+----- LC coach Larry Campbell was denied his 347<sup>th</sup> victory by the Tigers which would have given him the Georgia High School win record. The Tigers built a (21-0) halftime lead. Also, the two Tiger state championship roster boards from 1981 and 2000 and created by Claudius Bruce were placed on the front of the Tiger Stadium press box.

++----- Tigers scored a TD on QB Josh Haynes' 4 yd. run and successful two-point conversion option pitch to HB Dennis Wilder within the last minute of the game to help rally the Tigers to victory over Madison County.

^^----- Tiger loss at AA caused the Tigers to finish 2<sup>nd</sup> in the region.+++----- Tigers dominated the Dragons; QB Josh Haynes--3 TD runs and FB David Bray added 2 TD runs, as the Tiger defense limited Jefferson to only 89 yards rushing. The Tigers built a (22-0) halftime lead. C-J Rivalry (37-15-5)  
Tiger TD runs: Josh Haynes, (20, 4, 4); David Bray (19, 20)

. ----- 6 games were decided by 8 points or less. (4-2-0)

--Source of all games in 2002 is the Prickett statbook

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**2003 (10-3-0) (8A) Region Champions**  
 Reg. H(3-0-0), A2-0-0) (5-0-0)  
 H(6-1-0), A(4-2-0)

	We	They	
S5Fri, Franklin County	16	7	
S12Fri, Banks County	* 35	14	
S19Fri, Morgan County	* 7	35	
S26Fri, Lincoln County	. 7	14	^
O3Fri, OPEN			
O10Fri, Madison County	28	14	
O17Fri, Athens Academy	# * 34	7	
O24Fri, Athens Christian	# 44	7	
O31Fri, Towns County	# * 54	13	%
N7Fri, Jefferson	# 35	13	^^
N14Fri, Social Circle	# * 34	14	+
N21Fri, Whitefield Academy	* 42	21	&
N28Fri, Bremen	* 28	14	&
D5Fri, Hawkinsville	6	25	&, \$
	<u>370</u>	<u>198</u>	

\*----- Home game

#----- Region game, &-----Playoff game

^----- Tigers used the Notre Dame Box Single-Wing offense for the first time since 1951.

Tailback Dennis Wilder had 37 rushing attempts, which is tied for the second most by any player in Tiger football history. The Tigers attempted upset of the #1 ranked Red Devils fell just shy when the Tigers failed to convert a fourth and goal pass attempt late in the game at the Lincoln County 12 yard line.

%----- Halloween record, (5-4-0)

^^----- Tiger linebacker Casha Daniels had two outstanding punts of 65 and 52 yards in the Tiger victory. Dennis Wilder had TD runs of 50, 26 and 12 yards and also added a 44-yard TD pass to Hank Tiller, as the Tigers zoomed to a (21-0) halftime advantage in this another Tiger rout of the Dragons. C-J Rivalry (38-15-5) QB Josh Haynes added a 2-yard TD run.

+----- 17<sup>th</sup> region title

\$----- Eight game winning streak ended with this loss.

. ----- One game was decided by 8 points or less. (0-1-0)

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