

Team Preview: Bellport - Clippers

2017 In Review: The Clippers finished with a 3-5 record in Suffolk County DIII as they lost some very close games that could have gone either way.

Departures: Not available at this time

Offense: the Clippers run a Spread offense and have the following players returning; DJ Trent senior RB 5'8 150 had 138 carries for 909 yards/14 td's, Carter Vandekieft junior OL 6'2 225, Shakeese Byrd senior OL 5'8 210, Myles Wilson senior WR 6'1 180, Khyree Wilson senior OL 5'9 195 and Ronald Buckley senior WR 5'8 175. Newcomers are Ka'Shaun Parrish sophomore Athlete 5'9 175 and Jhamari Bell sophomore RB 5'9 180.

Defense: they play a 4-3-4 defense and have the following players returning; DJ Trent DB, Carter Vandekieft DE had 5 sacks, Shakeese Byrd DL, Myles Wilson DB, Khyree Wilson LB and Ronald Buckley LB. Newcomers are Ka'Shaun Parrish DB and Jhamari Bell LB.

Special Teams: DJ Trent is a very good KR had 1 td last year. The rest will be decided in camp.

Schedule:

Saturday, 9/08, West Islip, 2:00PM
Saturday, 9/15, Smithtown East, 2:00PM
Saturday, 9/22, @ Centereach, 2:00PM
Saturday, 9/29, @ Smithtown West, 2:00PM
Saturday, 10/06, Riverhead, 2:00PM
Saturday, 10/13, @ Half Hollow Hills East, 1:30PM
Friday, 10/19, @ Copiague, 6:00PM
Saturday, 10/27, Lindenhurst, 2:00PM

Schedule is courtesy of www.sectionxi.org

Question Marks: Ranked 8th in the Suffolk County Pre-Season Division II. The Clippers have a new coach and they move up to DII so they will have to bring their A game every week if they hope to make the playoffs. They do have a good core of players so let's see what happens.

Recruiting: Senior DJ Trent is a very good athlete so he will play somewhere at the next level. Junior Carter Vandekieft has a lot of upside.

Coach's Comments: We have good speed and a core group of kids that have been working hard in the off season. We're working on learning how not to lose those close games. Coach Jamie Fabian entering his first season