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Lancaster High School Football Coach Chris Gilbert Makes School History with 59 Wins

Lancaster, TX/Lancaster ISD – The Lancaster Independent School District congratulates Lancaster High School Football Head Coach and Assistant Athletic Director Christopher Gilbert on becoming the all-time winningest football coach in school history with 59 wins.

The first Lancaster football team played in 1912 and the Tigers have been fielding a football team consistently since 1929. These beginning district milestones occurred long before Gilbert ever laid eyes on his first football or sported his first jersey, but on the second Friday night in October 2017, he etched his name in the district's record books.

As a coach, Gilbert understands the power of good systems, great teamwork and implementation. He attributes his 59 wins to having good help.

“The administration, school board, good principals, the Athletic Director...everybody's helped me to be successful,” he said. “My coaching staff is super and we always have great players.”

Gilbert's Tigers defeated the Mansfield Summit Jaguars 38-29 Friday, October 13, 2017 to pass former coach Doug Black in the record books. Black had 58 wins in nine seasons between the years of 1993-2001. District Leaders presented Gilbert with a trophy at the close of the game to mark this historical moment.



Lancaster ISD Athletic Director Beverly D. Humphrey was enthusiastic about his success.

“I am excited and happy for Coach Gilbert,” she said. “He is an awesome coach and is committed to the Lancaster ISD athletic programs.”

Coach Gilbert took over as the Lancaster Head Football Coach in the spring of 2011 and he led the Tigers to the State Championship Finals in 2012. This is his seventh season in Lancaster. Prior to coaching the Lancaster Tigers, he coached at Terrell and South Oak Cliff high schools.