




# THE STATE OF TEXAS

## GOVERNOR

 *To all to whom these presents shall come,  
Greetings: Know ye that this official recognition is presented to*

# First Baptist Academy

## Saints Football

*Football has long been a touchstone of Texas culture, and the fabled Friday Night Lights are nowhere brighter than in the Lone Star State. More than a mere pastime, football brings entire communities together for the sights and sounds of the season—from the bleachers and tailgates to pep rallies and homecoming parades.*

*The sport also molds players into better men by teaching lessons that we should all embrace. In football and in life, there can be only one winner; there is no substitute for hard work; and there is no limit to what a team can accomplish when they work together.*


*First Baptist Academy, in particular, has built a true tradition of excellence, and the program's successes include the 2013 TAPPS state championship, a consistent presence in the regional playoffs, and alumni commitments to top college teams. Today's players follow in the footsteps of great athletes and great Texans—and this season provides another opportunity to leave your mark on the program's illustrious history.*

*First Baptist Academy represents the future of the state, and in due course, the lessons taught on the field and in the classroom will echo throughout Texas.*

*First Lady Cecilia Abbott joins me in extending best wishes for a successful season and schoolyear.*



*In testimony whereof, I have signed my name  
and caused the Seal of the State of Texas to be  
affixed at the City of Austin this the 22nd day  
of September, 2023.*



Greg Abbott  
Governor of Texas