

COLUMBUS RAIDERS

First year in NMAA: 1922
 First year in State: Never
 Last year: 1934

Colors: Unknown
 Located in Luna County

YEAR	HEAD COACH	DIST	INC SCH	SEASON			DT	RT	ST	NOTES
				W	L	PCT.				
1922		S	*	0	2	.000				
1923		S	*	0	2	.000				
1926		S	*	0	2	.000				
1934		4	*	0	1	.000				
GRAND TOTALS				W	L	PCT.	APAP			
				0	7	.000	0 0			

History of Community & School by Steve Flores

Columbus was established in 1890 as a border station across from Palomas, Mexico. In 1902, the Santa Fe Railroad built a depot in the town, which eventually connected El Paso to the west. The community grew around the station, and it became a railroad town. Columbus entered the history books on March 9, 1916, when the Mexican bandit Pancho Villa invaded the town. At least 18 Americans were killed. Today there are about 700 residents in Columbus, which survives as a tourist town and a border crossing station. There are a couple of museums and a Pancho Villa State Park that give information on the raid.

The school was originally built before 1916. The main building was used as a shelter for women and children during the Panch Villa raids. The school was expanded around 1921 and included a high school until 1934, when the students were bussed to Deming. The elementary school remains in use today.