

EL RITO EAGLES (Spanish American Normal)

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Colors: Purple and Gold

YEAR	HEAD COACH	CLASS	DIST	INC SCH	SEASON			DT	RT	ST	NOTES
					W	L	PCT.				
1926			NW	*	0	3	.000				
1927											No information
1928											No information
1929			N	*	0	1	.000				
1930			2	*	2	1	.667	3			
1931			2	*	0	2	.000				
1932			2	*	1	1	.500				
1933			2	*	0	1	.000				
1934			2	*	2	1	.667				
1935			2	*	0	1	.000				
1936			2	*	1	1	.500	4			
1937			2	*	2	2	.500				
1938			2	*	0	1	.000				
1939			2	*	2	1	.667				
1940			2	*	2	2	.500				
1941			2	*	0	2	.000				
1942	Charles Brown		2	*	3	1	.750	3			
1943	Charles Brown		2	*	0	2	.000				
1944	Charles Brown		2	*	2	2	.500	4			
1945	Charles Brown		2	*	1	1	.500				
1946	Charles Brown		2	*	3	3	.500	2		0	
1947	Charles Brown		2	*	1	1	.500				
1948			2	*	2	2	.500	4			
1949			2	*	3	1	.750	3			
1950	Frank A. Byers		9		23	6	.793	2		0	
1951	Frank A. Byers		11	*	1	2	.333	4			
1952	Frank A. Byers		11		22	5	.815	2		0	
1953	Frank A. Byers		11	*	7	7	.500				
1954	Frank A. Byers	B	2	*	4	1	.800	1	3		
1955	Vicente Martinez	B	2		17	13	.567	2	3		
1956	Vicente Martinez	B	2		24	9	.727	1	1	4	
1957	Vicente Martinez	B	2		31	2	.939	1	1	1	State Champion
1958	Vicente Martinez	B	2		26	7	.788	1	1	0	
1959	Vicente Martinez	B	2		29	3	.906	2		1	State Champion
1960	Vicente Martinez	B	2		12	12	.500				
1961	Vicente Martinez	B	2		12	11	.522				
1962	Vicente Martinez	B	2		11	12	.478				
1963	Vicente Martinez	B	2		5	17	.227				
1964	Vicente Martinez	B	2		10	13	.435				
1965	Vicente Martinez	B	2		15	8	.652				
1966	Vicente Martinez	B	2		17	6	.739				
1967	Vicente Martinez	B	2		13	9	.591				
1968	Vicente Martinez	B	2		9	13	.409				

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1969	Vicente Martinez	B	2		16	8	.667	3				
In 1969-El Rito and Ojo Caliente merged to form Mesa Vista												
GRAND TOTALS					W	L	PCT.	AP	AP			
					331	197	.627	6	6			

History of Community & School by Steve Flores

The Spanish American Normal School was opened in 1909 in El Rito, as a teachers' college. The school in El Rito was set up to train Spanish speaking adults to become teachers. English was one of the main subjects emphasized. The teachers were expected to go back after graduation into communities and teach students English as well as other basics. As a teachers college, SAN also had an elementary and secondary school associated with the college. The name of the high school was referred to as Spanish American Normal, and was not consistently called EL Rito until the 1950's. In 1969, the high school consolidated with the neighboring community of Ojo Caliente to create Mesa Vista High School. Mesa Vista has continued the success of the El Rito basketball program. The facilities of the SAN school has become Northern New Mexico Community College.