REETHS-PUFFER ROCKETS

2025 RECORD:
2-7 OVERALL
1-4 OK WHITE (5th place)

Reeths-Puffer Head Coach
Cody Kater: 5th year (17-19)

Coaches' Comments: : "These guys have all put the work in and continued to listen to their coaches over the last four or five months. Attendance has been really good all offseason and we're just excited to put that all together now and play meaningful football again." - as told to MLIVE.

Key Returnees: Braylon Swain - QB, Connor McManus - WR/DB, Brendan Guikema- WR/DB, Owen Moore, OL/DL, James Helferich, OL/DL, Srecko Walker, OL, Troy Swingley, OL, Jakson Streit - CB, Hunter Adams - DB

Returning Starters: Offense(8), Defense(6)

Key Newcomers: Keondre Sanders - RB

2026 Rockets Football Schedule

Thurs Aug. 27	Greenville	H
Thurs. Sept. 3	Grand Haven	H
Fri. Sept. 11	Northview	A
Fri. Sept. 18	Muskegon	A
Fri. Sept. 25	Mona Shores	H
Fri. Oct. 2	GR Union	H
Fri. Oct. 9	FH Northern	A
Fri. Oct. 16	Byron Center	H
Fri. Oct. 23	Whitehall	A

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ROCKETS LOOK TO REBOUND AND BUILD WITH STRONG COMBO OF SENIORS & YOUTH

Reeths-Puffer Football Preview

Reeths-Puffer Head Coach, Cody Kater is truly optimistic about his team heading into the 2026 season. With 8 starters back on offense and 6 on defense, there is good reason to think the Rockets will have a great year. Kater is hopeful that his squad's experience can get them back to the MHSAA playoffs and that they can also make some noise in the race for the OK Green title.

Offensively, the Rockets will lean heavily on the talents of returning Senior quarterback, Braylon Swain, who was 1st team All-Conference in 2025 (1,303 yds passing with 17 TD's). The RB position will likely be manned by speedy transfer Senior, Keondre Sanders. Puffer also returns talent at the receiver spot with Connor McManus (1st Team All-Conf. '25), and Senior Brendan Guikema. But, the best of the group might be up front as the Rockets also return a majority of their offensive line from '25. Seniors, Owen Moore and James Helferich along with Juniors, Srecko Walker and Troy Swingley will lead the push to ramp up the Rockets attack.

Defensively, Puffer will also key returnees at many positions. The strength of this group may likely be the secondary as they return Guikema and McManus, along with fellow Senior, Jakson Streit. The Rockets will also expect some two-way work from their talented OLine group to stuff the gaps on this side of the ball.

With a wealth of talent returning in 2026, the Reeths-Puffer football program has a great chance to reach their goals of advancing in the MHSAA playoffs. If they can stay injury free and their starters can grow from the experience they gained last fall, Coach Kater could likely see his Rockets earn their fifth post-season berth in the past two decades.