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### **Tyler Announces the Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award National Player of the Week**

**TYLER, Texas** – University of North Texas running back, Brandin Byrd, has been selected as The Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award National Player of the Week for the eleventh week of the college football season.

The Conference USA running back turned in a career best performance with 18 carries for 202 yards and two touchdowns in the Mean Green's win over UTEP 41-7. Coach Dan McCarney said, "You love to see the consistency from Brandin Byrd, he is one of the most unselfish guys we have. He's one of the toughest players, one of the most respected players we have in this program." The win makes North Texas bowl eligible for the first time since 2004. The win also keeps North Texas atop the Conference USA West-Division standings with an overall record of 7-3 and a conference record of 5-1, half a game up on Rice.

Brandin Byrd is a graduate of Copperas Cove High School, Copperas Cove, Texas.

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#### Week 11 Honorable Mentions:

**TOMMY ARMSTRONG, QB, NEBRASKA - Freshman**  
**Cibolo, TX (Steele HS)**  
11/19 yards, 139 yards, TD  
W, @ Michigan, 17-13

**SHANE GARDEN, QB, EAST CAROLINA - Junior**  
**Houston, TX (Episcopal HS)**  
34/50 - 384 yards, 5 TD | 25 yards, 2 TD rushing  
W, vs. Tulsa, 58-24

**HENRY JOSEY, RB, MISSOURI - Junior**  
**Angleton, TX (Angleton HS)**  
11 carries - 113 yards, 2 TD | 2 catches - 22 yards, TD  
W, @ Kentucky, 48-17

**SHOCK LINWOOD, RB, BAYLOR - RS-Freshman**  
**Linden, TX (Linden-Kildare HS)**  
23 carries - 182 yards  
W, vs. #10 Oklahoma, 41-12

**CASE MCCOY, QB, TEXAS - Senior**  
**Graham, TX (Graham HS)**  
27/49 - 283 yards, 3 TD, INT  
W @ West Virginia, 47-40 (OT)

**BRYCE PETTY, QB, BAYLOR - Junior**  
**Midlothian, TX (Midlothian HS)**  
13/26 - 204 yards, 3 TD | 16 carries - 45 yards, 2 TD rushing  
W, 41-12 vs. #10 Oklahoma

**CHARLES SIMS, RB, WEST VIRGINIA - Senior**  
**Houston, TX (Westbury HS)**  
24 carries - 93 yards, 3 TD | 5 catches - 42 yards  
L, vs. Texas, 47-40 (OT)

## **THE EARL CAMPBELL TYLER ROSE AWARD**

The Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award, announced in 2012 by the Tyler Chamber and SPORTyler, recognizes the top offensive player in Division 1 football who also exhibits the enduring characteristics that define Earl Campbell: integrity, performance, teamwork, sportsmanship, drive, community, and tenacity; specifically tenacity to persist and determination to overcome adversity and injury in pursuit of reaching goals.

In addition, the nominee must meet one or more of the following criteria: born in Texas and/or graduated from a Texas High School and/or played at a Texas-based junior college or four year D1 Texas college.

For more information about The Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award go to [www.earlcampbellaward.com](http://www.earlcampbellaward.com) or contact Cindy Smoak, SPORTyler, Tyler Area Chamber of Commerce: [csmoak@tylertexas.com](mailto:csmoak@tylertexas.com) or 903-592-1661, extension 237.

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