

2026 Kansas Shrine Bowl West All-Star Player Profile



Taygen Funston

Abilene

6'1 175 DB

Sports Honors: 2025 Sports in Kansas Top 100 Seniors-ATH; 2025 All-VYPE football team Salina Area All Classes; All-State by the Wichita Eagle 2nd Team- HM Specialists; 1st Team All-State KSHSAA Covered; Honorable Mention All State Defensive Back by Sports in Kansas; 1st Team All State Defensive Back by the Kansas Football Coaches Association; 1st Team All NCKL Offensive Athlete; 1st Team All NCKL Defensive Back

Non-Sports Honors:

Favorite Athlete: Patrick Mahomes

Favorite Pro Football Team: Kansas City Chiefs

Favorite Sport: Football

Favorite Sports Moment: My junior year winning the first playoff game in 10 years for Abilene.

Favorite School Subject: History

Hidden Talent / Fun Fact: Avid hunter and enjoy cattle roping.

College Plans: Manhattan Tech, academics

Career Plans/Goals: I plan to attend Manhattan Tech to earn a degree in Electric Power and Distribution.