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A promotional graphic for a football game. On the left, a Georgia Southern player in a blue jersey with 'SUN BELT' and 'HAIL SOUTHERN' on his gloves. On the right, the text 'GAME PREVIEW' in large, gold, stylized letters. Below it, two helmets: a red one with 'AGGIES' and a blue one with '19'. Text below the helmets reads 'PRESENTED BY INTERNATIONAL DIAMOND CENTER SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26 | 3 P.M. HOMECOMING GAME STATESBORO | ALLEN E. PAULSON STADIUM ESPN3 | GA. SOUTHERN SPORTS NETWORK'. Logos for Georgia Southern and Morris Bank are in the top right.

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Georgia Southern to celebrate Homecoming this Saturday
Football

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It's Homecoming Week for the Georgia Southern football team as it steps out of conference to host New Mexico State at Allen E. Paulson Stadium Saturday. Kickoff is set for 3:05 p.m. and will be broadcast online on ESPN3. The game will also be available via radio on the Georgia Southern Sports Network. Here's all you need to know about the game:

Game 7: Saturday, Oct. 26, 2019 • 3:05 PM

Location: Statesboro, Ga. (Allen E. Paulson Stadium; 25,000)

**HOMECOMING PRESENTED BY INTERNATIONAL DIAMOND CENTER
TEACHER APPRECIATION GAME**

Records:

New Mexico State: 0-7

Georgia Southern: 3-3

Broadcast Information

Broadcast: ESPN3 (Online)

PBP: Greg Talbott; Analyst: Danny Waugh; Sidelines: Amy Zimmer

Radio: Georgia Southern Sports Network

PBP: [Danny Reed](#); Analyst: Terry Harvin; Sidelines: Russ Brown

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Inside The Series

Overall: Sixth Meeting (GS leads, 4-1) • 1-1 Home; 3-0 Away

Current Streak: GS, Won 1

Last Meeting: Oct. 20, 2018 (W, 48-31) - Aggie Memorial Stadium | Las Cruces, N.M.

Facts Maybe Only We Find Interesting: Georgia Southern leads the all-time series with New Mexico State 4-1 ... The last time a game in the series was played in Statesboro, the Aggies picked up their first win in the series with 35-27 victory ... This is the final game in a two-game, non-conference series that started in 2018 after the Aggies left the Sun Belt Conference following the 2017 season ... The Eagles are averaging 37.8 points per game against the Aggies in the series ... Neither team rosters a player from the other teams' state although Georgia Southern's [J.D. King](#) and New Mexico State's Chance Cook were teammates at Oklahoma State ... Additionally, GS's [Emory McKenzie](#) and NMSU's Michael Bowe Jr. were teammates in 2017 at City College of San Francisco ... Georgia Southern is 28-8 on Homecoming in the modern era after beating South Alabama last season ... Georgia Southern has won 23 straight games at home against a non-conference opponent (including vacated wins and FCS Playoff games) dating back to a Nov. 18, 2006 overtime loss to end the season against Central Arkansas.

Countdown to Kickoff

10: The Eagles have won **10** of the 11 games in which they have scored 30 or more points under head coach [Chad Lunsford](#).

9: **Nine** defensive players have started all six games thus far for the Eagles as opposed to just four on the offensive side who have started every game thus far.

8: The Eagles have lost just **eight** previous Homecoming games in 36 previous years.

7: [Shaj Werts](#) needs 134 yards rushing to become the **seventh** player in Georgia Southern football history to rack up 2,000 yards passing and 2,000 yards rushing in a career.

6: Trailing 14-3 last year against NMSU, Georgia Southern went on to score touchdowns on its next **six** drives to take a 45-17 lead in the third quarter.

5: Georgia Southern and Coastal Carolina combined to go just 9-for-28 on 3rd downs in the game but were a combined **5-for-5** on 4th down, including 3-for-3 in the overtime periods.

4: **Four** of Georgia Southern's touchdowns have been 25 yards or longer.

3: Georgia Southern played just its **third** triple-overtime game in program history last week. The Eagles are now 9-6 all-time in overtime, winners of six of their past seven overtime games. The school record for overtime games in a season is four, coming in 2008.

2: Georgia Southern has failed to force at least one turnover in just **two** of its past 22 games.

1: The Coastal Carolina game marked the **first** time this season [Tyler Bass](#) hasn't been the team's leading scorer. That honor went to [Wesley Kennedy III](#), who scored 12 points on two touchdowns.

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at No. 22 Appalachian State - Thursday, Oct. 31

Kidd Brewer Stadium; 8 PM

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