

Assistant Coach Omar Verges (2021) says:

I'm going to just speak on my/our experience with The Falcons. This year was a difficult one. We did not win one game. Week in and week out, loss after loss after loss. It hurt, and I felt for our guys. This is the thing though, they showed up every week, and they never ever quit! They showed character, they showed courage and determination. And in the last game of the season, against the 49ers, the score board said we lost 14-12, but those kids played their hearts out! I want to say that time beat us. I got emotional when I spoke to them after the game, because I was so proud of them, I'm actually tearing up now as I'm writing this. Every week one team will win and one will lose, but what they become in the process is what YALD is all about. These kids learn how to become Young, Adult leaders in Development. They help me to learn how to show up and keep moving forward, whether win or lose. It's not just football, this is family! I literally can't sleep the Friday before the game because I'm so excited to wake up and hit the field with Coach Footer and our guys! Can't wait until next year!!