

Facts About Coach Charles Brown and BTW Bulldogs Football

- There was no extra pay for Coach Brown and his staff for extended seasons for 6 years.
- There was no expense money for scouting.
- Mrs. Carolyn Sadberry Brown (Coach Brown's wife and likewise a teacher at Booker T. Washington) washed the school uniforms and practice jerseys because Conroe ISD would not provide a washing machine. Later Conroe ISD provided a used washing machine, but not a dryer. Uniforms were hung on the fences to dry.
- Because of segregation, through 1967, the Bulldogs played their games on Thursday nights, Anglo teams (i.e., Conroe HS Tigers) played on Friday nights.
- The Bulldogs played in a stadium whose stands were always packed – fans, both black and white, lined the fences and stood under the goal posts.
- Coach Brown spent personal money and bought the initial camera equipment to film the games to help the team create winning strategies. The Bulldog Booster Club purchased additional camera equipment to help out.
- Coach Brown turned down used uniforms that were throw aways from the “white” Conroe high school.
- Because the school district did not provide vehicles for athletics, Coach Brown and other coaches, as well as Brown's wife, Carolyn, transported players in their personal cars, receiving no travel expenses. Later, the school district furnished the Bulldogs an old bus to carry the players – Coach McDonald drove the bus.
- The salary for Coach Brown was at least \$3,000 less than his counterpart at the white high school, even with Coach Brown having earned a Master's Degree.
- Though a 2A program, the Bulldogs defeated both 3A and 4A teams from the Panhandle, to West Texas, to the Gulf Coast.