

# TOMORROW'S EVENTS

# <u>Temple</u>

- Team Practice Oxbridge Academy (9:05 a.m.)
- Media are invited to attend the first 10-15 minutes of practice and will have access to Head Coach Matt Rhule.
- Practice <u>will be open</u> to the general public.
- Temple Team Beach Party Palm Beach Marriott Singer Island (2 p.m.)

## <u>Toledo</u>

- Team Practice Saint Andrew's School (12:20 p.m.)
  - Media are invited to attend the first 30 minutes of practice and will have access to Head Coach Jason Candle and select student-athletes after practice.
  - Practice will not be open to the general public.
- Toledo Team Beach Party Benny's on the Beach, Lake Worth Pier (3 p.m.)

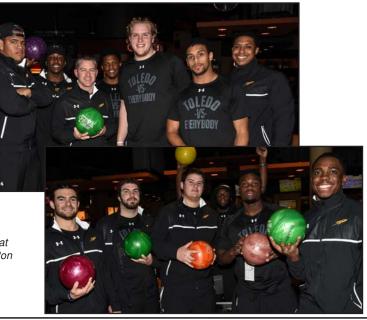


### **TOLEDO TEAM WELCOME PARTY**

Toledo enjoyed bowling and arcade games at CineBowl at Delray MarketPlace.



Toledo football players and coaches enjoyed a night of food, fun and competition at CineBowl. Top right: Head Coach Jason Candle with his players. \*Photo Credit: Ron Elkman, ESPN



# **DAILY SOUND BITES**

#### Quotes from Temple Head Coach Matt Rhule-

- Settling into PGA National and the area: "It's been first class, and obviously PGA National is beautiful. I think some of our kids went downtown last night. Us coaches we all went out and had dinner and it's been wonderful so far."
- First day of practice and adjustments for location: "Yeah we don't have any issues where we are. It's just kind of like 'hey go here' and when we
  play we play. We do have to get used to the heat and the temperature. My feet were freezing on Tuesday, and now we're out here, but we do have
  a tough team and they'll adapt to wherever they go."
- Goals for the first practice: "We want to grind. I want to see them practice really hard. We gave them some time to go enjoy themselves last night. We let them be men, and they're going to practice like men. We're looking for a hard and tough physical practice."
- On Oxbridge Academy: "For us it's nice because we don't ever get a chance to practice on grass so we're going to use both fields out here today. I've been coming down to Oxbridge for awhile now. My cousin is the Athletic Director and my good buddy that I coached with us is their head coach. This is obviously a state of the art, world class facility."

#### Quotes from Temple Tight End Colin Thompson-

- On graduating yesterday before arrival: "We were the first people in line, so that was pretty cool, and we went out the back door and met the bus and got on the plane. It was a cool overall experience and very thankful that Coach Rhule was able to make that all possible"
- On playing in a bowl game senior year: "It's pretty great with the teammates. I transferred so I wasn't here for the whole four years, but I was here
  for some stuff. It's been great that this has been able to work for us, and it's been great for all of us seniors to be able to play in a bowl game and
  hopefully we can win the game."

### Quotes from Toledo Head Coach Jason Candle-

- On the first day of practice: "We had a little bit of weather interference there, but we fought through it. The kids did a really good job. There was a lot of energy, really good attention to detail, so I am really proud at how they responded today."
- On the practice facility: "What a great facility. What a neat place. Wish I could have gone to a school like this when I was coming up in school."
- On preparing for the game: "I think we are getting ready. Our focus is now on the game. It's game week. Last week we were in to developing some younger guys in bowl practices. Once we got our finals in the books back home and got on a plane and came down here we are totally in game mode. We are looking forward to playing a great Temple team."

## Quotes from Toledo Quarterback Phillip Ely-

- On the weather: "Man, I love it! This is what I grew up around. These weird rains that come and go. Yeah, I love it. It's great."
- On preparing for the game: "Both teams have played exceptionally well all season. It really comes down to how you finish. That's how you're going to get remembered, so we have to do a good job preparing ourselves and preparing this team for a great opponent."