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## BRINGING THE HEAT

### *Dragons flame up Arlington in first league game of season*



***Thomas Seller, Jr.***
*Richardson Media Group*

The records coming into the Region 7-6A showdown would lead a casual fan to believe the Collierville Dragons were in for another tough test.

The unbeaten Arlington Tigers opened league play in Collierville, while the Dragons entered the contest with one win in four games. Collierville quickly established why it was the defending Region champion, jumping out to a 21-0 lead.

The Dragons (2-3, 1-0 in Region 7-6A) added 28 points in the second quarter to defeat the Tigers 55-7. Dragon quarterback Dominic Rocconi led Collierville with 190 yards passing and 5 touchdowns in the air.

The Dragons' offensive attack was balanced. Larry Johnson rushed for 105 yards and a TD on seven carries. Lucas Barksdale was one of Rocconi's favorite targets Friday night. Barksdale collected three catches, all resulting in touchdowns for 114 yards.

The Dragons travel to the Bartlett Panthers for another Region 7-6A showdown this Friday. The Panthers go into the battle with a record of 3-2. Bartlett lost 38-35 in their recent league battle against the Houston Mustangs.

The Tigers are now 4-1 on the season and 0-1 in league play. They play next when they host the Lakeland Prep. Lions for a non-league battle this Friday Arlington will play a Lions team coming off a 47-0 league win over Fayette-Ware. The Lions' record now stands at 3-2.



## COLLIERVILLE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR MOLLY MEHNER STEPS DOWN

***Staff Reports***

Collierville Town Administrator Molly Mehner has stepped down following the fulfillment of her employment and contract obligations, and Deputy Town Administrator Katrina Amos-Atkins has been appointed to serve as interim administrator, town officials announced.

Mehner's departure was effective Friday, Sept. 18. The town said all employment obligations and contract requirements related to her tenure had been satisfied and that a severance agreement

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## KATRINA AMOS-ATKINS NAMED INTERIM TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

***Town of Collierville***

COLLIERVILLE, Tenn. — Collierville Mayor, Maureen Fraser, pursuant to the responsibility outlined in the Town of Collierville Charter, has appointed, with the full support of the Board, Deputy Town Administrator, Katrina Amos-Atkins, as Interim Town Administrator for the Town of Collierville, effective immediately. Ms. Amos-Atkins will oversee operations across 12 departments and more than 600 employees while the Board conducts a search for a permanent successor.

Ms. Amos-Atkins has served as Deputy Town Administrator of Collierville since September 2024 and has been closely involved in the day-to-day administration of the Town, departmental coordination, and ongoing projects. During her tenure in Collierville, Ms. Amos-Atkins has had direct oversight of Animal Services since April 2025, worked to refine and strengthen the Town's Emergency Preparedness Operations Plan, played an integral role in the ongoing implementation of the Town's Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system, led the project management for the Library Expansion and Renovation, and created and executed training and orientation for the Town's Boards and Commissions.

Before coming to Collierville, Ms. Amos-Atkins most recently served as the Airport Manager for the City of Cape Girardeau, Missouri. She holds a bachelor's degree in business administration and a master's degree in business management and leadership from Purdue University Global. In 2026 Engaging Local Government (ELGL) named Amos-Atkins as one of the nation's top local government influencers. She has served on multiple boards, including the Missouri State Aviation Council and the Cape Girardeau Chamber of Commerce. She and her husband, Leroy have three children.

"Katrina Amos-Atkins, brings deep institutional knowledge to



this role, and the Board is confident in their ability to lead our staff and maintain the services our residents count on. This is a moment for steady leadership and Katrina is well-positioned to

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