## Tye Chandler Sports Editor - Glen Rose Reporter



I was born in Brownwood and graduated from Brownwood High School in 1998. I graduated from Angelo State University in 2002. After gaining some football coverage experience at the Brownwood Bulletin in 2003, I was the sports editor at the Ennis Daily News from 2004-2012. I have been with the Glen Rose Reporter since August of 2012. I cover all Glen Rose High School sports, as well as Walnut Springs football. I cover all Glen Rose Junior High sports, as well as youth sports in the community when possible. I also cover the school's academic beat and other events in town when I'm able. I received the TAPPS Sportswriter of the Year Award in 2006 while covering Ennis St. John, but this TGCA award is now the greatest accolade of my career. I covered two St. John state championship softball teams, as well as the 2004 Ennis Lion football state championship team. The best girls' team I have covered in Glen Rose was the 2014 Lady Tiger volleyball team, which advanced to the regional final.

I have grown to love girls' sports during my time in this job. Some, like volleyball, I had barely any knowledge of going in. NCAA softball, WNBA, women's MMA and women's World Cup soccer are some of my favorites as a fan.

It's always been important to me to give girls' sports equal coverage to what the boys receive. They work just as hard and deserve recognition accordingly.

I would like to thank Lady Tiger volleyball coach Sandy Langford for nominating me, as well as every girls' athletics coach I have ever worked with. Most of them taught me something about their respective sports along the way that helped me become the reporter I am today.

Thanks to TGCA for honoring me this year!