

# Gators Play Deer Park On Thursday

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DICKINSON, April 18 — Dickinson High School's Tuesday date with Santa Fe's Indians was rained out leaving District 25-A still in a quandary for an outright leader.

Presently Santa Fe, Deer Park, Angelton and Dickinson are tied for first place with one win and one loss, respectively.

Dickinson invades Deer Park Thursday and the outcome could give some indication of how the Gators will fare in their new surroundings in a higher classification.

For the past three years, Dickinson has advanced as far as possible in class B ranks, showing the remarkable record of only two defeats in that period.

The portside slants of Glen Swindell have been replaced by a hard throwing righthanded sophomore Frank Emmite and junior Tommy (Red) Stewart with occasional help coming from converted catcher and junior Van Huckaby. Swindell had the distinction of never dropping a decision while hurling in three years of high school play.

Dickinson's 1957 record is off to a good start at 12-2 through last Thursday when Clear Creek was clipped 3-1.

Coach Jack Porter plans to start Bo Kelly at first, Ronnie Clark at second, Irvin Hardwicke on third and David Brown at shortstop.

Manning the outfield posts will be Tillman Hodges in left, hard hitting Hugh Simmons in center and Homer Clark in right. Simmons leads the Dickinson hitters with a lusty .524 average.

Emmite will probably open against the Deer with Stewart coming from behind the plate in the event of an emergency.