

District 10 Football

News & Notes

Week 8

Region 1 'A'

Two huge match-ups with playoff implications highlighted the Region 1 schedule in week 8. Friday night the Mercer Mustangs traveled to Stoneboro, PA to meet the Lakeview Sailors. Lakeview held a slim 6-0 advantage at the half compliments of a Treven Stoops TD run. Mercer answered back in the 3rd stanza by way of a Justin Angermeier run and the subsequent Herbie Henegan extra point. Lakeview came back in the 4th to get 10 points by way of a safety and an Adam Koontz TD run and conversion pass to Jon Switzer. QB Andrew Erdos added a TD in the 4th to cut the lead to 16-14 but the Mustangs were unable to recover the onside kick. With the win Lakeview moved to 4-2 in the Region and 6-2 overall. Mercer fell to 4-2 in Region and 5-3 overall.

Saturday afternoon the Kennedy Catholic Golden Eagles hosted undefeated and 5th ranked West Middlesex in a battle for supremacy in the Region. Kennedy won the Region title in 2005 but was coming off a 29-28 setback to Sharpsville the week before. West Middlesex jumped out to an early 14-0 first quarter lead compliments of a Kolten Hoffman TD pass to Josh Brown and a 35 yard Hoffman run. Kennedy QB Ross Gargano answered back with a 49 yard run on the 1st play of the 2nd quarter. Middlesex extended to a 21-6 advantage on a 26 yard Hoffman run. Kennedy tried to cut into that lead but the 1st half clock ran out with the Eagles on the 1 yard line. Gargano quickly erased any memories of that by returning the 2nd half kickoff for a TD. There was no more scoring until Josh Brown returned a Kennedy punt 37 yards for a score. Lee Plotts brought the Eagles back to 28-21 on a 7 yard 4th quarter run. The Big Reds were able to take the clock down to 2 minutes before giving Kennedy the ball back on their own 20. 4 plays later Kolten Hoffman picked off a Gargano pass and the Big Reds knelt on the ball. The rest of Region 1 saw Sharpsville defeat Cochran 28-8 aided by 4 Josh Taylor TDs. Linesville took out Farrell 40-26 led by their backfield duo of Doug Farley and Doug Williams who each went over 100 yards rushing in the game. Conneaut Lake went out of region and beat rival Conneaut Valley 40-23 behind Cash Horne who went over the 1,000 yard mark for the season.

Region 2 'A'

Mercyhurst Prep continued its dominance of Region 2 by pounding Union City 36-8. Jayson Nickson rushed for 142 and went over the 1,000 yard mark on the season. Saegertown used Kyle Crum's 147 yards to defeat Maplewood 15-8. Cambridge Springs slogged out an 8-7 win over Iroquois and Youngsville dealt Eisenhower a serious blow to their playoff hopes with a 20-7 upset win. Mercyhurst and Cambridge are firmly #1 and #2 in the Region while Saegertown, Eisenhower and Iroquois battle for the final 2 playoff spots.

Region 3 'AA'

In a game that was supposed to be a showdown for Region 3 supremacy, The Wilmington Greyhounds absolutely dismantled the Sharon Tigers on Friday night. The Hounds defeated Sharon 42-7 while holding the Tigers to 3 yards total offense. Hickory saw their playoff hopes go by the wayside after falling to Greenville. In a game that got moved to the turf of Grove City College, the Grove City High Eagles pounded Northwestern 30-12 behind 167 yards from Chris Clark and 122 from Dwayne Martin. Martin and Clark both averaged over 10 yards per carry on the night. Reynolds remained winless on the season suffering a 29-0 defeat to Region 4 leading Harbor Creek. The playoff teams are set in Region 3. Wilmington, Sharon, Grove City and Greenville are all in. The only thing left to be decided is the seeding.

Region 4 'AA'

Harbor Creek and Fairview are locks to make the playoffs after wins over Reynolds (29-0) and Girard (34-0) respectively. The Huskies and Tigers only have 1 loss each while Seneca, North East and Corry all sit in a 3 way tie for 3rd place. 1 of those teams will be left out of the D-10 playoffs. North East helped themselves tremendously by defeating Seneca 27-14 last Friday. Corry also kept pace by keeping Ft. LeBeoeuf winless.

Region 5 'AAA'

The Titusville Rockets locked up the Region 5 Title by pitching yet another shutout 33-0 over Warren. Dave Stewart had 169 yards and 3 TDs on the ground to lead the Rockets who held high powered Warren to 60 yards of total offense. In other action, the Slippery Rock Rockets got their 2nd win of the year by beating winless Meadville 28-12. The Rockets were powered by the 169 yard rushing performance of sophomore Jonathan Powell. Elsewhere Oil City beat Central 14-7 and Franklin lost 28-24 to WPIAL member Center.

REGION 6 'AAA/AAAA'

Cathedral Prep clinched the Region title by defeating General McLane 21-7 at Veterans Stadium. A crowd of 4,600 saw Prep running back Dave Orlando score 2 TDs and watched to the defense shut down the high-powered Lancer offense whose only score came on a Drew Astorino 12 yard run. Elsewhere McDowell was shut out by North Hills 14-0 and Strong Vincent pounded East 55-0.

Week 9 Preview

Region 1 → West Middlesex can clinch the outright Region Title with a win over visiting Linesville. Kolten Hoffman needs 210 yards through the air to eclipse the 4,000 yard career plateau. Kennedy Catholic will visit Mercer in a game where the loser is in big trouble. Each has 2 losses in the Region along with Sharpsville and Lakeview who can clinch a playoff spot by defeating Cochran.

Region 2 → Cambridge Springs and Saegertown are both in the playoffs but if Cambridge can win this week, there is a chance they can share the Region 2 title with Mercyhurst who they play next week. Iroquois will play host to Union City in a game they must have for playoff purposes.

Region 3 → This week is all about seeding in Region 3. Wilmington, Sharon, Grove City and Greenville are all in. Wilmington can win the Region by defeating Northwestern. Grove City travels to Greenville looking to lock up a #2 seed.

Region 4 → All games have a purpose here. Fairview and Harbor Creek are looking for the other to lose in order win the Region crown. If both win then Fairview holds the tie-breaker over HC. Seneca must take care of the match-up with struggling Girard to get a leg up on Corry and North East who host Fairview and HC respectively.

Region 5 → The only game within the Region has Oil City traveling to Warren. Warren can still get a 'AAA' playoff spot with wins over OC and Slippery Rock in the next 2 weeks.

Region 6 → No games will be played within the Region this week but there is a marquee match-up with Cathedral Prep traveling to Warren Ohio to play traditional powerhouse Harding.