



Panthers looks to scale Summit in Friday Night Lights game

It's all a matter of perspective.

Take away some big plays, and Paschal is right in its game against Timberview October 27. Take away some turnovers, and Paschal may well have been in the catbird seat. Indeed, the Panthers played Timberview to a 0-0 tie in the first quarter.

The field tilted thereafter, however, though Paschal did have some shining moments. Robert Gallagher hit Joseph Robinson for a nice 19-yard pass play. Gallagher pounded out 53 yards on the ground. Lee Davis added 24, Robinson 21 and Jeffrey Tillman 5. Kicker Hoby Milner averaged 42 yards a punt. Paschal fumbled the ball only once, and retained possession, whereas Timberview put the ball on the ground five times, turning it over three. Four pass interceptions, however, hurt.

Louis Armstrong sang of "a kiss to build a dream on." Perhaps the past several games of steady, discernible improvement have been games on which Paschal can build. While understandably disappointed about outcomes, the Panthers have remained remarkably upbeat. They've also shown themselves a resilient bunch eager to learn from experience, and put that learning into subsequent efforts. The Panthers now have their sights set firmly on their game Friday, November 3, against Summit High School. Kickoff is scheduled for 7:30 at Farrington Field.



Robinson



JV Panthers gather momentum for assault on Summit

It was a see-saw defensive battle of two closely matched teams. In the end, Father Time proved the deciding factor as the Paschal JV team simply ran out of clock in its bid to upend the Timberview Wolves on October 26.

The two teams gamely slugged it out in a classic game featuring smash-mouth defense. DL Matt Parker and LB Ryan Wilkerson stood tall on defense, frustrating the Wolves by standing their ground and refusing to give an inch. Indeed, the entire defense had an evening in which it could take pride.

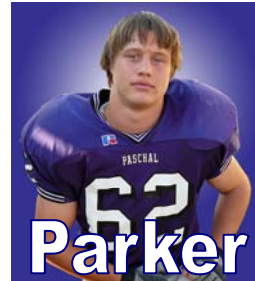
Timberview likewise featured a stout defense, but the Panthers remained undaunted. QB Sasha Lovett engineered two scoring drives, capping the last with a touchdown run and a two-point conversion that put



Wilkerson

Paschal just one touchdown shy of Timberview. Alas, Paschal got the ball back near midfield with only about a minute left and was unable to again find paydirt.

In the end, it proved a bittersweet loss. Bitter because Paschal came up on the short end of the scoring, but sweet because the Panthers demonstrated they can hang with anyone. Now the Panthers will look to build on the positive momentum they have built when they take to the road and match up against Summit High School Thursday, November 2 at 6 p.m.



Parker

Freshmen Panthers look to claw their way over Summit

Sometimes the best you can do is slap your knee and let loose a hearty, "Dadgummit!" For the second straight week, the freshmen Panthers played tough against a beatable opponent in a winnable game. And for the second straight week, the team lamentably came out on the wrong end of a big play too many and succumbed to the Timberview Wolves October 26.

Make no mistake, however. Paschal put a scare into the unbeaten Wolves, who know they may have dodged a bullet.

The Panthers moved the ball effectively all evening. QB Tyler Nurdin connected with RB Kevin Deal for one score. RB Emmanuel Smith rumbled into the end zone for another, and Nurdin himself crossed the plane on a keeper. But one play in particular may well live longer in the memory. With Paschal knocking on the door inside the Timberview 5-yard-line, it appeared the Panthers were going to begin to nail the coffin lid shut. But then a tipped pitch deflected perfectly into the hands of a Timberview defender who galloped uncontested the length of the field. The 12-point swing proved difficult to overcome despite strong performances by RB Joey Cortez and RB Rochell Johnson.

In B team action, RB Deandre Kindles again had a standout game for Paschal, scoring two touchdowns and putting fear in the hearts of Timberview and its denizens. In what was arguably the team's most impressive showing to date, the Panthers put themselves in position for a win but ran out of time.

Both freshmen squads are now focused on their upcoming games against Summit High School. The B team plays at 5 p.m. November 2 at Paschal, with A team action slated to begin following the conclusion of that contest.



Cortez



Nurdin

Date	Opponent	Varsity		Junior Varsity			Freshman A/B	
		Location	Time	Date	Location	Time	Location	Time
Fri 11/3	Summit	<u>Farrington</u> (West)	7:30	11/2	<u>Away</u>	6	<u>Home</u>	B 5 / A 7
Fri 11/10	North Crowley	<u>Away</u>	7:30	11/9	<u>Home</u>	6	<u>Away</u>	B 5 / A 7

Questions or comments? email PHSFootballBooster@msn.com.

Special thanks to Geoff Campbell for his insightful game day analysis.

Erratum

In less than insightful game day analysis, last week's newsletter incorrectly credited the B team's first touchdown. RB Deandre Kindles scored the TD for Paschal. We regret the error.

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