

SEASON LEADERBOARD

After 5 games

TOP RUSHERS

	Carries	Yards	Avg.	TD
Crusoe Gongbay, Rockville	161	1,316	8.2	20
Rayshawn Taylor, Wheaton	145	1,235	8.5	15
Rachid Ibrahim, Avalon	114	1,017	8.9	12
Devon Pestano, Springbrook	139	971	7.0	9
Kevin Jones, Bullis	138	953	6.9	10

TOP PASSERS

	Comp.	Att.	Yards	Int.	TD
Connor Frazier, Damascus	67	101	1,032	1	12
Henry Kuhn, Whitman	67	135	937	2	9
A.J. Pignone, Sherwood	48	80	925	3	10
David Smith, Paint Branch	50	109	891	5	10
Zack Fetters, Gaithersburg	61	109	794	5	10

TOP RECEIVERS

	Catches	Yards	Avg.	TD
Earvin Anumba, Paint Branch	28	525	18.8	9
Stefon Diggs, Good Counsel	23	431	18.7	4
Gary Vaughn, Northwood	24	399	16.6	4
DeAndre Cooper, B-CC	16	383	23.9	6
Michael Flack, Whitman	26	381	14.7	4

the team with Alexis Cantor], well that's

ts best when it can mimanga. A natural moved back to con- after graduation ville thin there. But and can create her

with a increased field vision and composure in the box set her apart
"I've become more aware of the people around me playing," Tshimanga said. "I've started to look to other players. If there are so many people on me, it means other players are open. I try to use myself as a decoy and then get the ball to other players who can get past the defense."

She does get frustrated, Hayes said. "The Northwood game that had four or five girls behind her. Most teams double team her pretty quickly. We have other good soccer players on our team, but it's easy to tell in our games that she's clearly head and shoulders above the rest with her skills and speed."

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ot show its top form

Friday, but what is most — aside from the comeback win over Madison was quarterback Benner becoming a leader," and to coach Joe Allen. The Bulls suddenly look like a strong possibility for the last spot in the 4A West Region postseason and their strongest competition in the biggest win of the season. Thanks to huge nights from Ryan O'Neil and Cole Ann, Walter Jones, running 42 of 60 for Bethesda-Cherry Chase, and finishing the fall with a more-than-savable schedule: four opponents with a combined 1-39 record.

It is just the tonic the Wildcats need. A 7-3 record appears a bare minimum to play postseason football.

Game of the Week

Gaithersburg at Whitman, 6:30 p.m.

We know, we know. Sherwood and Damascus. The two unbeatens are going at it.

But the more important game is on the other side of the county. Right now, it would rematch in the first round of the 4A West playoffs.

Both of these teams could absolutely come out of the region. The Trojans were the better team in their week five loss to Sherwood, despite the final score. And Whitman's only loss was a heartbreaker to Quince Orchard.

Zack Fetters has had an outstanding year, and saved the Trojans from a potentially devastating loss to Paint Branch with a game-winning touchdown pass to senior classmate Sylvester Oni.

He did throw two interceptions however, which is all Vikings main man Henry Kuhn has tossed all season. Instead, he has been finding his own wideouts all year, with one of the best bookends in the county: Rico Djitorod (210 yards receiving, three TDs) and Michael Flack (381, four).

In particular, Flack has proven explosive, topping 100 yards against both Walter Johnson and Blair. Whether or not the Trojans — who gave up 126 receiving yards to Paint Branch beast Earvin Anungba last week — can limit Whitman's outside playmakers should make the difference.

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