

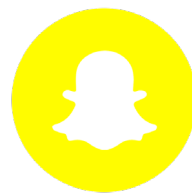
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*2021 GAME NOTES*  
*GAME TEN:*  
*FOOTBALL NORTH-CLARKSON*





# THE MATCHUP



at



**FOOTBALL NORTH-CLARKSON  
CHARGERS**

**Saint Ignatius  
WILDCATS**

**October 23, 2021**

**BYERS FIELD**

**Kickoff: 2 p.m.**

## ***Saint Ignatius 2021 Schedule***

<b>Date</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Time/Score</b>
8/20	@ Springfield	L, 20-24
8/27	@ Mentor	L, 26-28
9/4	vs. Mount St. Joseph (MD)	W, 20-6
9/10	@ Euclid	W, 44-14
9/18	vs. Archbishop Hoban	W, 33-27
9/25	vs. River Rouge (MI)	W, 24-12
10/2	@ St. Edward	L, 14-19
10/9	@ Archbishop Moeller	L, 28-29 OT
10/16	vs. St. Xavier	W, 28-21
10/23	vs. Clarkson Football North (ONT)	2:00 p.m.

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## **Team Information**

**Saint Ignatius High School: 5-4**  
 OHSAA Division I, Region 1  
 Head Coach: Chuck Kyle '69  
 Record at School: 366-103-1  
 Overall Record: 366-103-1

**Football North-Clarkson: 2-4**  
 OHSAA Equivalent: Division 3  
 Head Coach: Larry Jusdanis  
 Record at School: 15-23  
 Overall Record: 15-23

## **Media Information**

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## **Broadcast Information**

### **Saint Ignatius Broadcasting Network**

Play-by-Play: Danny Gibel '22  
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 Analyst/Show Host: Drew Pieschalski '23  
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# ABOUT THE WILDCATS ...

## Wildcats Storylines ...

### Previous Matchups vs. Football North-Clarkson: 2-1

9/28/19	L	40-41	H
9/29/18	W	45-13	H
9/30/17	W	38-7	H

### A LOOK BACK... SEPT. 28, 2019 The Previous Meeting

On the last play of the game, the top high school program in Canada, hailing from Clarkson Secondary School in Mississauga (a suburb of Toronto), completed an incredible 49-yard Hail Mary pass to win a back-and-forth affair, 41-40. An extra point with the clock at 0:00 sealed the Wildcats' fate, dropping the men of Ohio City to 2-3 and sending the men of the North into a frenzied celebration.

With the score at 34-34 with 6:35 left in the game, the Wildcats opted for a clock-burning approach. Griffin Hanna '20 handed the ball off to Jack Welch '20 on nine plays in a 13-play, 80-yard drive. Thanks to great blocking, Welch found paydirt to the left on a 17-yard run with 27 seconds left.

As it turned out, that was enough time for Football North to march 29 yards down the field to set up an incredible Hail Mary play from Quincy Vaughn to Nathan Demontagnac and an unforgettable upset for the visitors. Yes, the 2019 edition of Football North is not your average team from Canada.

The game started out on a positive note for the Wildcats, as Connor Cmiel '20 intercepted Football North on the first drive of the contest. Starting at its own 41-yard line, the Saint Ignace offense made it to the Clarkson 31-yard line before stalling out. Declan Mangan '20 trotted in for a 48-yard field goal, and made it with ease for a 3-0 lead.

Thanks to some nice passes from Hanna, the Wildcats moved down the field. Hanna finished off the nice drive with a 4-yard touchdown run, and Rory McConville '20 kicked the extra point for a 10-7 lead with 1:24 left.

Vaughn and Football North did not want to go into the break with a deficit, however. Utilizing a two-minute drill offense, Vaughn navigated his team down the field and finished off the drive with a 12-yard touchdown pass with eight seconds remaining. The visitors headed into halftime with a 14-10 lead.

When the Wildcats needed him most, Welch was there. The senior barreled ahead nine times on a 13-play drive for bruising gains. His bowling-ball style with finesse mixed in paid off on a 17-yard TD run with 27 seconds left. But with a missed extra point and a Hail Mary pass to the outstretched arms of a 6'4" Nathan Demontagnac, the Wildcats walked away empty-handed.

**THE FINALE:** No matter the outcome of week ten, the Wildcats will be heading to the OHSAA Division I Region I Playoffs. Saint Ignace is ranked sixth in the region after the 28-21 win vs. the defending State Champion St. Xavier Bombers. In all four losses on the season, each game has come down to the final possession. The Wildcats are battle-tested and will have one final tune-up against the Football-North Clarkson Chargers. This will be the fourth meeting between these two programs, as the last match-up favored North-Clarkson from a last-second Hail Mary. With the PAT, the Chargers won 41-40.

**RUN MARTY RUN:** In week nine, Marty Lenehan scored the game-winning touchdown vs. St. Xavier with a 20-yard scamper with 5:40 remaining in the contest. Lenehan was an absolute bruiser against the Bombers as he would rack up 119 yards on 32 carries. Lenehan, this season now has 16 total touchdowns, with 15 of those coming via the ground. The persistency of the ground attack assisted the Cats to a 28-21 victory on Saturday.

**JOEY RETURNS:** Since week six of the season, the Wildcats have missed their senior signal-caller in Joey Pfaff. Pfaff returned from injury against St. Xavier and found his rhythm, making beautiful passes downfield to Max Muresan, Patrick Tompkins and Colin Vollmer. Pfaff hit on four passes that were 30+ yards giving the offense that quick-strike ability. Pfaff would finish 10-of-21 passing for 212 yards and three touchdowns.

**MURESAN AND COMPANY:** Max Muresan made three crucial catches in the 28-21 victory against St. Xavier. Muresan would score his first touchdown in the opening quarter as Pfaff found his target on a fly route for a 36-yard score. Muresan would score his second touchdown in the third quarter on a 47-yard connection from Pfaff to give the Wildcats their first lead of the night. Perhaps one of the most critical plays of the night came in the fourth quarter on a 3rd & 8 as Muresan won a 50/50 battle for the ball against Alex Kemper. The conversion set up a Lenehan 20-yard touchdown. Other big plays from receivers came from Patrick Tompkins (back in his receiving role) and Colin Vollmer as the Cats enjoyed a balanced offense.

**FRANZINGER'S MEN:** A season ago, the Wildcat defense surrendered 62 points to the St. Xavier Bombers. On Saturday, they held one of the most explosive offenses in the state to just 21, with two of those scores coming off turnovers. Defensive Coordinator Ryan Franzinger's '02 defense put on a show, allowing just one touchdown in the second half helping the Cats secure a 28-21 win. It was a team effort for the defense as they continued to shut down the opposition's run game as they held the Bombers to just 51 yards on the ground.

**DISCIPLINED SECONDARY:** The Wildcats secondary understood that they needed to play a near-perfect game to take down the defending State Champions. The secondary limited St. Xavier's Brogan McCaughey to 20-of-36 passing for 218 yards and two touchdowns. Joe Norris would ice the game on an interception for the final play of the game. Secondary coaches Kevin Johnson and John Pieschalski saw tremendous performances from Norris, Jack Mangan, Griffin Taliak, Brandon Webster and AJ Spellacy to slow down the Bombers aerial attack.

**OH CAPTAIN, MY CAPTAIN:** The captains for the 2021 season are #22 Marty Lenehan, #34 Christopher Aerni, #95 Peter Chalhoub and #99 Thomas Wasinski.



# ABOUT FOOTBALL NORTH-CLARKSON ...

## Learning about the Chargers ...

**ABOUT FOOTBALL NORTH:** Football North is a program located in Mississauga, a suburb of Toronto in Ontario, Canada. The team's students attend Clarkson Secondary School. The program's goals are to help its players earn NCAA football scholarships and compete on a level with top programs in the United States. Football North is in its fourth season with Larry Jusdanis, a former quarterback in the Canadian Football League. The Chargers did not play in the 2020 season due to the pandemic.

**THE OHIO TOUR:** Football North will conclude their tour of Ohio in the 2021 season against Saint Ignatius. The Chargers have played some of the areas best that include Mentor, St. Edward and Cincinnati Elder. Despite losing those three match-ups, Football North has shown that they can compete. The Chargers will look to put all the pieces together when they take on the Wildcats. After Saint Ignatius, the Chargers will travel to Florida to take on IMG Academy to wrap up their 2021 season.

**WITHER FILE:** Taking the snaps for Football North will be Callum Wither. Wither has a strong arm and has shown signs of improvement through the last three match-ups. Wither is a three-star Quarterback from Ontario, Canada. Wither will be continuing his football and academic career at Ohio University next fall. Football North has shown the ability to move the football against Mentor, St. Edward and Cincinnati Elder; however, they haven't been able to cap drives off with points. Wither leads a potent offense that the Wildcats must be prepared to slow down.

**MAN-TO-MAN:** Football North primarily uses man-to-man coverage, in evidence of their games against St. Edward and Mentor. Players such as Max Muresan and Patrick Tompkins have shown they have great speed and can break through man-to-man coverage. This will be an excellent test for Joey Pfaff as the Wildcat offense looks to continue to build their rhythm heading into the first round of the OHSAA Tournament.

**FAMILIAR FORMATIONS:** This game marks the fourth match-up between the Wildcats and Football North. The Saint Ignatius coaching staff has plenty of films to review for week ten. Over the last three match-ups, Football North's defense mainly operates in a four-man front, a scheme the Wildcats have seen plenty. The Wildcats are also preparing for a 3-man front, which Football North has used this year to keep opponents on guard. When these two squared off on the gridiron, the Chargers came away with a Hail Mary victory and walked off against the Wildcats 42-41. Saint Ignatius will be looking for revenge from 2019.

## 2021 Football North Schedule

Aug. 19	@ Wheaton Avalon (MD)	W, 35-20
Aug. 24	@ Capital Prep Harbor (CT)	W, 49-6
Aug. 27	@ Life Christian Academy (VA)	L, 20-26
Sept. 17	@ Mentor	L, 19-41
Oct. 8	@ St. Edward	L, 7-38
Oct. 15	@ Cincinnati Elder	L, 20-49
Oct. 23	@ Saint Ignatius	2:00 p.m.
Nov. 11	@ IMG Academy (FL)	7:00 p.m.



### DIVISION I AP POLL

(Week 9 State Poll)

1. Medina (15)	9-0	202
2. Marysville (2)	8-0	169
3. Lakewood St. Edward (1)	8-1	146
4. Upper Arlington (1)	9-0	134
5. Springfield	7-1	96
6. New Albany	9-0	95
7. Cincinnati St. Xavier	7-2	89
8. West Chester Lakota West	7-1	82
9. Pickerington Central	8-1	75
10. Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller (2)	7-2	71

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**Brian Zawicki:** For his help researching stats and information on opponents.

**Saint Ignatius Coaches:** For their help and time each week through the season





# BY THE NUMBERS/ WILDCATS TO WATCH

## 322

Total yards of offense  
vs. St. Xavier

## 28:00

Time of possession vs.  
St. Xavier

## 6-6

When playing on  
October 23.

## 51

Rushing yards allowed  
in week 9

## 4

30+ yard plays from  
Joey Pfaff's arm last  
week

## 7

Points allowed in the  
second half vs. St.  
Xavier

## K/P ZEB ELDRIDGE '22



Zeb Eldridge has been a phenomenal piece for Head Football Coach Chuck Kyle's '69 special teams unit. Eldridge has put the team in the best position throughout this season, pinning opponents back inside their territory on punts. Last week vs. St. Xavier, Eldridge would punt the ball four times, pinning the Bombers inside the 20 twice and averaging 35.5 yards per punt. Coach Kyle preaches the importance of special teams and that third facet wins ball games. That was evident in last week's 28-21 victory over St. Xavier. Eldridge is a five-star kicker in the country and will play a crucial part in playoff time for Saint Ignatius Football.

## LB BRAEDEN LAIR '22



Braeden Lair has been an excellent addition to Defensive Coordinator Ryan Franzinger's linebacking core. Lair was moved from a safety position to an outside linebacker spot and it has been a perfect fit for the senior. In week nine, Lair started as an outside linebacker against the St. Xavier Bombers and was a part of a defense that slowed a high-powered offense to just 21 points. In the victory, Lair came away with seven total tackles and had a balance of blitz and coverage plays for the Wildcat defense. The defense is a staple of the Wildcats as they look to continue to get better as they head into postseason play. Lair is versatile with his incredible speed and power, which can help elevate the Cats to make a run in the OHSAA Tournament in 2021.



# SAINT IGNATIUS VARSITY ROSTER

#	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Position	#	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Position
2	Steven Favazzo	Jr.	5'11"	180	RB/S	57	Joe Ryland	Sr.	6'3"	285	OL
3	Matthew Ruddy	Jr.	6'0"	160	S	59	Edmund Soeder	Jr.	6'2"	210	LB
4	Joey Georges	Sr.	5'9"	171	RB/S	60	Dominic Ference	Jr.	6'2"	275	OL
5	Zeb Eldridge	Sr.	6'2"	175	K/P	61	Patrick Lavelle	Jr.	6'0"	270	OL/DL
6	John Mangan	Sr.	6'1"	170	DB	63	Timothy Lanzo	Jr.	5'10"	245	OL/DL
7	Edward Musbach	Sr.	6'2"	185	WR	64	Mitchell Hyland	Jr.	6'3"	264	OL
7	Ryan Putka	Jr.	5'8"	155	K	66	Angelo Camargo	Jr.	6'0"	265	OL
8	Brandon Webster	Jr.	6'0"	175	WR/DB	67	Ryan Boomer	Sr.	5'10"	240	DL
9	Griffin Taliak	Sr.	6'0"	175	S	68	Nick Heban	Jr.	6'1"	240	OL
10	Edwin Abiakl	Sr.	5'10"	168	S	74	Brian Keane	Sr.	6'5"	300	OL
11	Steven Bodamer	Sr.	6'1"	185	WR	75	William Witalis	Sr.	6'3"	260	OL
12	Pierce Spencer	Jr.	5'11"	195	QB	76	Ashton Montgomery	Sr.	6'3"	285	OL
13	Ryan Kennedy	Jr.	6'1"	182	WR	77	Michael Thompson	Jr.	6'3"	248	OL
14	Anthony Moissis	Jr.	6'2"	210	QB/TE	78	Colin Farrell	Jr.	6'5"	225	OL
15	Scott Broski	Sr.	6'1"	150	WR	79	James Raynor	So.	6'6"	290	OL
16	Charlie Dunstan	Jr.	5'9"	145	WR	80	Sean Ward	Sr.	6'5"	230	TE
17	Joey Pfaff	Sr.	6'5"	190	QB	81	Patrick Tompkins	Sr.	6'3"	190	WR
18	Joshua Papesh	So.	6'2"	174	QB	82	Max Muresan	Sr.	6'1"	160	WR
19	Colin Vollmer	Sr.	6'5"	195	WR	83	Cole Frabotta	Jr.	6'3"	170	WR
20	Michael Norman	Jr.	5'8"	165	RB	84	Damon Frabotta	Sr.	6'2"	185	WR
21	Brady Haddad	Jr.	5'11"	160	WR	85	Christopher Reali	Jr.	5'11"	170	WR
22	Max Hartley	Sr.	5'8"	150	DB	86	Hunter Moriarity	Jr.	6'4"	210	TE
22	Marty Lenehan	Sr.	5'11"	190	RB	87	Will Robinson	Jr.	6'5"	240	TE/DL
23	Connor Gisztli	Sr.	5'6"	138	DB	88	AJ Spellacy	So.	6'2"	180	WR/DB
24	Franklin Pike	Sr.	6'1"	175	DB	89	Jonathan Merimee	So.	6'4"	180	WR
25	Sean Martin	So.	6'1"	165	LB/RB	90	Garrett Butchko	So.	6'1"	211	OL/DL
26	Alexander Shuran	So.	5'10"	163	LS	91	Joseph Kause	Sr.	6'0"	230	DL
27	John Leszcz	Jr.	5'10"	185	S	95	Peter Chalhoub	Sr.	6'2"	250	DL
28	Connor Betters	Jr.	5'11"	165	DB	97	Eugene Gibbons	Jr.	6'4"	240	DL
29	Brendan Hunt	Sr.	6'0"	175	S	99	Thomas Wasinski	Sr.	5'10"	255	DL/RB
30	Joe Norris	Sr.	6'1"	180	DB		Jacob Cook	Sr.			Manager
31	Nathan Polinko	Sr.	5'9"	170	DB		Matthew O'Neill	Jr.			Manager
32	John Regan	Sr.	5'10"	140	DB		Jarell Young	Jr.			Manager
33	Christian Cupp	Jr.	6'0"	175	S		Domenic Rini	Jr.			Manager
34	Christopher Aerni	Sr.	5'11"	210	LB		Blake Herman	So.			Manager
35	Max Palinski	Jr.	6'1"	205	LB		Charlie Sizemore	So.			Manager
36	Constantinos Pappas	Jr.	6'0"	165	K		Andy Stamp	Fr.			Manager
37	Finn Mcconville	Sr.	6'1"	180	DB		Matt Mawby	Fr.			Manager
38	Owen Musbach	Jr.	6'0"	170	WR						
39	Gavin Berger	Sr.	6'1"	205	LB/LS						
40	William Curtis	Jr.	6'0"	170	DB						
41	Charlie Breen	Sr.	5'11"	155	DB						
42	Patrick Martin	Jr.	5'11"	220	LB						
43	Shane Morrison	Jr.	6'0"	162	DB						
44	Ian Zaletel	Jr.	5'11"	160	RB						
45	Blase Mastrianni	Sr.	6'0"	210	LB						
46	Braeden Lair	Sr.	6'1"	200	LB/DB						
47	Kevin Krebs	Jr.	5'10"	175	S						
48	Ryan O'Donnell	Jr.	5'11"	180	LB						
49	Charles O'Brien	Jr.	5'10"	170	DB						
50	John Schmitt	Jr.	5'8"	178	LB						
51	William Persiani	Sr.	5'10"	250	OL						
52	Ryan Ardire	So.	6'1"	212	LB						
53	Michael Krebs	So.	5'10"	175	LB						
54	Jack Sizemore	Jr.	5'6"	187	OL						

## Coaches:

Chuck Kyle '69	Head Coach
Ryan Franzinger '02	Defensive Coordinator/LB
Rodney Gallaway	Wide Receivers Coach
Luke Baker '17	Running Backs Coach
Paul Yappel	Offensive Line Coach
Tom Narducci	Offensive Line Coach
Dave Cicetti	Defensive Line Coach
Mark Sullivan	Defensive Line Coach
Kevin Johnson '10	Defensive Backs Coach
John Pieschalski '89	Defensive Backs Coach
Anthony Rubino	Strength and Conditioning Coach
AJ Short '09	Strength and Conditioning Coach
Mo Sizemore	Head Athletic Trainer
Evan Schlanser	Assistant Athletic Trainer
Tim Malik '99	Equipment Manager



# FOOTBALL NORTH-CLARKSON CHARGERS ROSTER

Jersey	LAST NAME	NAME	POS.
4	Kalume	Nicolas	LB
7	Sargeant	Caleb	RB
8	Milloy Zeoli	Donavin	RB
9	Larry	Yunus	LB
10	Wither	Callum	QB
11	Stebbing	Jaxon	WR
15	Zurby	Walter	WR
17	Rees	Andrew	WR
18	Mohammed	Adrian	QB
20	Pegg	Mikhael	DB
23	Haylock	Alexander	LB
24	Thomas	Isaiah	DB
25	Oshodi	Matthew	DB
26	Sangmuah	Benjamin	DB
27	Fernandez del Castillo Cu	Mateo	RB
33	Olayori	Zorique	DB
35	Jimbere	Karson	DL
36	Findlayter	Ishmael	DL
38	Salerno	Cristian	LB
42	Lewis-Joseph	Nicholas	LB
44	Beazley	Denver	LB
48	Pasloski	Rhys	LB
50	English	Gavin	LB
52	Basra	Taqdir	OL
56	Matias	Michael	DE
59	Simoncic	Aidan	OL
62	Ramolli	Vincent	OL
68	Schechinger	Mitchel	OL
70	St Jacques	Liam	DL
71	Lucero	Mateo	OL
72	Small	Everett	OL
75	Cote	Christian	DL
77	Smith	William	OL
80	Tyrell Jr	Mekhi	WR
81	Maxwell	O'shae	WR
82	Dennie	Micah	WR
86	McCharles	Will	TE
87	Collard	Jackson	TE
92	Keyes	Robert	DL
99	Khilji	Kumail	DL



# SAINT IGNATIUS DEPTH CHART

*\* Depth chart subject to change on gameday*

## OFFENSE

QB	17	Joey Pfaff	Sr.	6'5"	190
	18	Joshua Papesh	So.	6'2"	174
RB	22	Marty Lenehan	Sr.	5'11"	190
	4	Joey Georges	Sr.	5'9"	171
	25	Sean Martin	So.	6'1"	165
TE	80	Sean Ward	Sr.	6'5"	230
	87	Will Robinson	Jr.	6'5"	240
WR	11	Steven Bodamer	Sr.	6'1"	185
	82	Max Muresan	Sr.	6'1"	160
	6	Charlie Dunstan	Jr.	5'9"	145
WR	81	Patrick Tompkins	Sr.	6'3"	190
	7	Edward Musbach	Sr.	6'2"	185
WR	19	Colin Vollmer	Sr.	6'5"	195
	84	Damon Frabotta	Sr.	6'2"	185
	13	Ryan Kennedy	Jr.	6'1"	182
LT	76	Ashton Montgomery	Sr.	6'3"	285
	64	Mitchell Hyland	Jr.	6'3"	264
LG	75	William Witalis	Sr.	6'3"	260
	51	William Persiani	Sr.	5'10"	250
C	61	Patrick Lavelle	Jr.	6'0"	270
	74	Brian Keane	Sr.	6'5"	300
RG	60	Dominic Ference	Jr.	6'2"	275
	51	William Persiani	Sr.	5'10"	250
RT	74	Brian Keane	Sr.	6'5"	300
	75	William Witalis	Sr.	6'3"	260

## DEFENSE

DE	95	Peter Chalhoub	Sr.	6'2"	250
	97	Eugene Gibbons	Jr.	6'4"	240
NT	99	Thomas Wasinski	Sr.	5'10"	255
	67	Ryan Boomer	Sr.	5'10"	240
DE	87	Will Robinson	Jr.	6'5"	240
	91	Joseph Kause	Sr.	6'0"	230
OLB	39	Gavin Berger	Sr.	6'1"	205
	45	Blase Mastrianni	Sr.	6'0"	210
MLB	34	Chris Aerni	Sr.	5'11"	210
	52	Ryan Ardire	So.	6'1"	212
OLB	46	Braeden Lair	Sr.	6'1"	200
	35	Max Palinski	Jr.	6'1"	205
CB	24	Frankin Pike	Sr.	6'1"	175
	8	Brandon Webster	Jr.	6'0"	175
SS	30	Joe Norris	Sr.	6'1"	180
	10	Edwin Abiakl	Sr.	5'10"	168
SS	9	Griffin Taliak	Sr.	6'0"	175
	30	Joe Norris	Sr.	6'1"	180
FS	88	AJ Spellacy	So.	6'2"	180
	30	Joe Norris	Sr.	6'1"	180
CB	6	Jack Mangan	Sr.	6'1"	170
	30	Joe Norris	Sr.	6'1"	180

## SPECIAL TEAMS

KO	5	Zeb Eldridge	Sr.	6'2"	175
FG	5	Zeb Eldridge	Sr.	6'2"	175
PAT	5	Zeb Eldridge	Sr.	6'2"	175
P	5	Zeb Eldridge	Sr.	6'2"	175
H	17	Joey Pfaff	Sr.	6'5"	190
LS	26	Alexander Shuran	So.	5'10"	163
	39	Gavin Berger	Sr.	6'1"	205
PR	16	Charlie Dunstan	Jr.	5'9"	145
	9	Griffin Taliak	Sr.	6'0"	175
KR	16	Charlie Dunstan	Jr.	5'9"	145
	10	Edwin Abiakl	Sr.	5'10"	168

## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

#4 Joey GEORGES	#35 Max PAH-lin-skee
#5 Zeb ELLE-dridge	#39 Gavin BURGER
#6 Jack Man-GAN	#45 BLAZE Mas-TREE-on-ee
#7 Edward MUS-BAHK	#46 BRAY-den LAIR
#8 Brandon WEB-stir	#51 Will Per-sh-on-EE
#9 Griffin TAHL-ee-ack	#52 Ryan Are-DEER
#10 Edwin AH-bee-ah-kul	#60 Dom-en-ic FAIR-ence
#11 Steven Bod-ah-MER	#61 Patrick LA-V-el
#16 Charlie DONE-stan	#74 Brian CANE
#17 Joey FAFF	#75 William Wi-TALL-is
#18 Joshua PAP-e-shh	#81 Patrick TOMP-kinz
#19 Colin VOL-mer	#82 Max MUR-ah-sin
#22 Marty LEN-uh-han	#84 Dam-on Fra-BOT-ah
#26 Alexander Sure-Ran	#88 AJ SPELL-a-Ce
#34 Chris EARN-ee	#91 Joseph K-ouse
	#95 Peter Cha-LUBE





# TOP 25 / HISTORY / BYERS FIELD

## Cleveland.com Top 25

1. (2) Medina (9-0)
2. (1) St. Edward (8-1)
3. (3) Chardon (9-0)
4. (4) Archbishop Hoban (7-2)
- 5. (7) Saint Ignatius (5-4)**
6. (5) Kirtland (8-0)
7. (8) Avon (7-2)
8. (6) Benedictine (6-1)
9. (9) Walsh Jesuit (7-2)
10. (10) Stow (7-2)
11. (11) Barberton (8-1)
12. (13) Hudson (8-1)
13. (14) Highland (8-1)
14. (12) Aurora (7-2)
15. (15) Brunswick (5-4)
16. (16) Olmsted Falls (7-2)
17. (17) North Royalton (6-3)
18. (18) Nordonia (7-2)
19. (19) Berea-Midpark (6-3)
20. (21) Cleveland Heights (7-2)
21. (23) Solon (4-5)
22. (24) Mentor (4-5)
23. (20) Strongsville (5-4)
24. (25) Norton (8-0)
25. (-) Kenston (8-1)

## This Day in History

### October 23

Games .....	12
First Game .....	1926
Most Recent Game.....	2010
Saint Ignatius Wins.....	6
Last Saint Ignatius Win.....	1998
Saint Ignatius Losses.....	6
Last Saint Ignatius Loss.....	2010
Ties.....	0
Last Tie.....	N/A
<b>Largest Margin of Victory</b>	
Saint Ignatius.....	31, 1998 vs. St. Edward
Opponents.....	18, 1947 vs. Cleveland West Tech

### Games on Oct. 23 (6-6):

- 1926 vs. Cleveland Collinwood W 6-0
- 1947 vs. Cleveland West Tech L 7-25
- 1948 vs. Benedictine L 3-6
- 1953 vs. Cleveland Rhodes L 7-21
- 1954 vs. Cleveland West Tech W 13-6
- 1965 vs. Cleveland John Marshall W 12-0
- 1982 vs. St. Joseph W 14-9
- 1993 vs. St. Edward W 35-34 (3OT)
- 1998 vs. St. Edward W 38-7
- 1999 vs. Cincinnati St. Xavier L 33-50
- 2004 vs. Cincinnati St. Xavier L 10-13
- 2010 vs. Cincinnati St. Xavier L 9-19

## BYERS FIELD at Robert M. Boulton Stadium



**7600 Day Drive (corner of Ridge Road and Day Drive)**

**Parma, Ohio**

**Built: 1928 (Major Renovations in 1940, 1957, 1963, 1993, 2013)**

**Playing Surface: Field Turf**

**Seating Capacity: 11,850**

**Wildcats' Overall Record at Byers: 123-39-1**

**Record at Byers during Kyle Era: 109-30**

(First official 'home' game was played on October 7, 2000, vs Canton McKinley)

The Wildcats have played at least one game at Byers Field in 36 of the last 38 years (seasons without games - 1984 and 1991) 2021 marks the 94th season that football has been played on this location, now known as Byers Field at Robert M. Boulton Stadium.

The press box, which has been upgraded in the past five seasons with a new working media area and new windows, seats 30 journalists and broadcasters. New field turf was installed for the 2012 season. The stadium has also had handicap seating added to both sets of grandstands, including 46 wheelchair and companion seats on the home side of the stadium.

Parma City Schools invested nearly \$1.2 million into the facility during the summer of 2014, including a new parking lot on the south end of the stadium and the full replacement of the parking lot on the east side of the stadium under the press box.

On August 26, 2009, Byers Field was re-dedicated and renamed in honor of Robert M. Boulton, the retired Superintendent of Athletics for the Parma City Schools and a Parma Senior High grad. The new name - Byers Field at Robert M. Boulton Stadium was revealed, during a 50-yard line ceremony, to Mr. Boulton for his many years of service to the community.



# GAME PREVIEW

## ONE FINAL TUNE-UP BEFORE THE POSTSEASON

Saint Ignatius won an instant classic vs. St. Xavier in the Jesuit Bowl as they defeated the #4 ranked team in the state 28-21 at Pat Catan Stadium in Strongsville. The Wildcats have played their fair share of close ball games this season; however, they have fallen on the wrong side of the score sheet four different times in those close games. Saint Ignatius put the pieces together and came out victorious in a close game vs. the Bombers.

"It was a situation where we knew we were good because these games are coming down to one or two points against outstanding teams," says Head Football Coach Chuck Kyle '69. "What ended up happening this past weekend was an excellent team effort; the scout team gave us a great look in practice. We played with a very intense level, we were undersized, but we scrapped our way to win that ball game."

The Wildcats will have one more regular-season match-up in 2021 as they take on Football North-Clarkson (ONT) at Byers Field for Senior Day. This will be the Cats' final tune-up before heading into the OHSAA Tournament and can clinch a home playoff game with a victory on Saturday.

### SAINT IGNATIUS OFFENSE VS. FOOTBALL NORTH DEFENSE

Saint Ignatius' Joey Pfaff returned from injury after being sidelined against St. Edward and Archbishop Moeller. Pfaff stepped back in the starting role and brought a veteran presence that helped the offense get into a rhythm against the St. Xavier Bombers. Pfaff would finish the game 10-of-21 for 212 yards and three touchdowns. Pfaff brought the quick-strike ability finding big plays with fellow senior Max Muresan as they would connect on two 35+ yard touchdown passes.

"Joey has been battling injuries all season, but his experience is so helpful on the field," explains Kyle. "He hit big plays for us that we have been hoping for all year; the game vs. St. Xavier shows the value of hitting that big play through the air to open up the run game."

St. Xavier did well slowing Marty Lenehan in the first half, but the Wildcats did not stray away from running the football. Finally, a big run would break for Lenehan and the offense as he would score the game-winning touchdown on a 20-yard run. With the passing game's success, the lanes opened for Lenehan as he would rush for 119 yards on 32 carries.

Football North-Clarkson's defense will give different looks to knock an offense off their game. The Chargers will typically run a four-man front on the defensive line but occasionally drop to a three-front line. This is a defense that will go into man coverage and attempt to blitz on an offense.

"They give you different looks and that is what we are focusing on in practice this week are multiple defensive looks," explains Kyle. "They have good speed on defense; this is a good team; they have lost some games to excellent opponents. Coming off the gauntlet of playing St. Edward, Moeller and St. Xavier, you hope the kids can keep the same intensity vs. Football North."

The offensive line for Saint Ignatius is scheming against the different packages they'll see on Saturday in week ten.

### SAINT IGNATIUS DEFENSE VS. FOOTBALL NORTH OFFENSE

The defense for the Wildcats through nine games this season is allowing 20 points per game to their opponents. They have played with great intensity this season, putting the team in the best opportunity to win. After allowing 62 points to St. Xavier in last season's game, the defense came together and allowed just 21 points against the Bombers. Coach Kyle notes the defensive groups' bend-no-break mentality as they made significant adjustments in the second half, allowing just seven points.

"We had a solid performance by the defense when it was a crucial time to stop a drive," says Kyle. "They gave the opportunity to the offense, a lot of credit to the defense, they played with high intensity. They kept their composure and played an outstanding game vs. St. Xavier; our technique won the day."

The ground game for the Bombers never developed as the front seven continued to wreak havoc on an opponent rushing attack. Just 51 yards is all St. Xavier could muster in the run game.

The defense this week will have a great test against Football North-Clarkson. They will take on a three-star quarterback and Ohio University commit, Callum Wither.

"This is an outstanding offensive team, their quarterback is a Division I commit and they have size up-front in their lineman," says Kyle. "They have a small but quick running back, along with Division I level wide receivers. This will be a real good challenge for us; the way our schedule is, there is no easy game."

Football North played the role of spoiler in 2019 as they would defeat Saint Ignatius on a Hail Mary pass in the final seconds to secure a 42-41 victory. The offense was explosive that night for the Chargers as they would total 508 yards of offense in the win vs. the Wildcats. Football North will look to again play the role of spoilers as they finish their tour of Ohio against the Wildcats before heading to Florida to take on IMG Academy.

### SPECIAL TEAMS

Special teams played a significant role in the Wildcats win vs. St. Xavier in week nine as they pinned the Bombers back multiple times in their territory. "Our special teams did a fantastic job and that was important," explains Kyle. "We had great field position because of our special teams unit; we started drives near midfield most of the time, which is all you can ask for with special teams."

Zeb Eldridge would punt the football four times, averaging 35.5 yards per punt and pinning the Bombers inside the 20 twice. Eldridge's longest punt was 46 yards to pin St. Xavier inside their five, which gave excellent field position for the Wildcat offense.

Saint Ignatius is currently ranked sixth in the region, heading into the final weekend of the regular season. With a win, they will secure a home playoff game in the first round at Byers Field. The Wildcats head into week ten with one more chance at a tune-up before competing for a State Championship.



# ST. XAVIER GAME

## The Cats Ground the Bombers

By Danny Gibel '22

STRONGSVILLE - Saint Ignatius and St. Xavier met for the 29th time in program history and the "Jesuit Cup" has been a staple for the past 23 consecutive years. The Wildcats entered the game with a 4-4 record after dropping the last two games to St. Edward and Moeller. The Bombers made the trip up from Cincinnati with a nearly perfect 7-1 record. Saturday's matchup featured several impressive offensive performances where the Wildcats put together a great team effort and defeated the Bombers 28-21.

The game began with the Wildcat offense on the field and for the first time since week six, they were led by senior signal-caller, Joey Pfaff. The offense struggled to move the ball on the opening drive as Pfaff was intercepted while targeting Colin Vollmer. The Bombers then wasted no time getting points on the board as St. Xavier quarterback Brogan McCaughey, while rolling outright, was able to find Max Klare in the endzone for a touchdown.

The Wildcats were quick to answer with some points of their own. Pfaff delivered a strike downfield to fellow senior Max Muresan for a 36-yard touchdown on the next drive. The following extra point by Zeb Eldridge tied the game at seven.

Pfaff and Marty Lenehan had some miscommunication on the hand-off exchange. The Bombers recovered the ball for excellent field position. Then, just a couple of plays later, McCaughey found Terrell McFarlin on a flea-flicker streaking down the middle of the field for a touchdown. The Bombers' second score gave them a 14-7 lead with 3:58 left in the first quarter.

Pfaff avoided another punt by finding Sean Ward for an eleven-yard pickup and a first down. Later in the drive, Pfaff was flushed out of the pocket and threw a great ball into the hands of Tompkins for a four-yard touchdown. Tompkins' fourth touchdown catch of the season tied the game at 14-14 as the game headed into halftime.

The second half got underway, with coach Ryan Franzinger's defense picking up right where they left off. The Wildcats were able to force the Bombers to punt on their first possession of the third quarter. On the next drive for the Cats, Pfaff connected with Vollmer for an impressive 46-yard gain. The offense suffered another miscue as a fumbled hand-off exchange once again cost the Wildcats the ball and a scoring opportunity.

Pfaff and the offense wasted no time after getting the ball back in excellent field position. At the 47-yard line, Pfaff launched the ball downfield into the hands of Muresan for a touchdown once again. Muresan's second touchdown catch gave the Wildcats a 21-14 lead with 5:41 left in the third quarter.

The offense began to move downfield, picking up a first down on a big carry from Joey Georges, but an errant throw by Pfaff gave the Bombers the ball back. The Bombers worked quickly to get deep into Saint Ignatius territory. Their drive culminated in a McCaughey touchdown run from the one-yard line to tie the game at 21-21 with 10:45 left in the fourth quarter.

Lenehan cut back on a counter run and galloped into the endzone untouched for a 20-yard score as that run would put Lenehan over the century mark on the ground. Lenehan's first touchdown of the game gave the Cats a 28-21 lead with 5:40 left in the fourth.

The Wildcat offense could not run out the remaining time on the clock as the Bombers shut down the Cats and forced another Eldridge punt. This time, Xavier was pinned down at their 17-yard line. The Bombers began to advance the ball downfield, but their drive stalled out around midfield with little time remaining on the clock and a grand final stop from the Wildcat defense. The game ended with an interception by Joe Norris on the game's final play to give the Wildcats a 28-21 victory over the Bombers.

The 2021 Edition of the Jesuit Bowl resulted in a Saint Ignatius victory over St. Xavier, the #4 ranked team in Ohio. It seemed that the Cats' offense is starting to hit their stride and the defense is continuing to be a force to be reckoned with on the gridiron.

## Week Nine:

**Saint Ignatius: 28 St. Xavier: 21**

**Saturday, October 16, 2021**

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Total
Saint Ignatius	7	7	7	7	28
St. Xavier	14	0	0	7	21

### 1st Quarter

09:43 STX - Klare 11 yd PASS from McCaughey (Rohmiller kick)  
 06:39 SIHS - Muresan 36 yd PASS from Pfaff (Eldridge kick)  
 03:58 STX - McFarlin 37 yd PASS from McCaughey (Rohmiller kick)

### 2nd Quarter

00:24 SIHS - Tompkins 4 yd PASS from Pfaff (Eldridge kick)

### 3rd Quarter

05:41 SIHS - Muresan 47 yd PASS from Pfaff (Eldridge kick)

### 4th Quarter

10:45 STX - McCaughey 1 yd RUN (Rohmiller kick)  
 05:40 SIHS - Lenehan 20 yd RUN (Eldridge kick)

	SIHS	STX
FIRST DOWNS	19	14
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	42-110	23-51
PASSING YDS (NET)	212	218
Passes Att-Comp-Int	23-10-2	36-20-1
TOTAL PLAYS-YARDS	65-322	59-269
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	2-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-[-1]	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	0-0	3-65
Interception Returns-Yards	1-8	2-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-35.5	6-32.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	0-0
Penalties-Yards	3-24	6-43
Third-Down Conversions	6-12	2-12
Fourth-Down Conversions	0-0	1-3
Possession Time	28:00	20:00

RUSHING: Saint Ignatius - Lenehan 32-119; Georges 4-19; Pfaff 2-[-18]; Papesch 2-[-17]; Tompkins 1-7; Martin 1-0

Xavier - Kellom 14-46; McCaughey 6-17; TEAM 1-[-1];

Bareswilt 1-[-11]; Klare 1-0

PASSING: Saint Ignatius - Pfaff 21-10-2-212; Papesch 2-0-0-0;

Xavier - McCaughey 36-20-1-218

RECEIVING: Saint Ignatius - Tompkins 4-65; Muresan 3-98; Lenehan 1-8; Ward 1-11; Vollmer 1-30

Xavier - McFarlin 8-89; Klare 7-85; Kellom 2-15; Wassler

1-23; Vrsansky 1-[-1]; Ryan 1-7

INTERCEPTIONS: Saint Ignatius - Norris 1-8

Xavier - Kempler 1-0; Bareswilt 1-0

FUMBLES: Saint Ignatius - Pfaff 2-2

## Pat Catan Stadium - Strongsville, Oh

Kickoff time: 4:05 PM • End of Game: 6:46 PM •

Total elapsed time: 2:41

Weather: Fall like, Partly Cloudy, Windy, Cool





# 2021 TEAM STATS

## Team Statistics (Final) 2021 Saint Ignatius Varsity Football St. Xavier @ Saint Ignatius (October 16, 2021)

	SI	STX
<b>FIRST DOWNS</b>	19	14
<b>RUSHING YARDS</b>	110	51
Rushing Attempts	42	23
Average Per Rush	2.6	2.2
Rushing Touchdowns	1	1
<b>NET YARDS PASSING</b>	212	218
Completions-Attempts-INT	10-23-2	20-36-1
Average Per Completion	9.2	6.1
Passing Touchdowns	3	2
<b>TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS</b>	322	269
Total Offense Plays	65	59
Average Gain Per Play	4.9	4.5
Penalties: Number-Yards	3-24	6-43
<b>PUNTS-YARDS</b>	4-142	6-192
Average Yards Per Punt	35.5	32.0
Inside 20	2	0
50+ Yards	0	0
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair Catch	0	4
Punt Returns: Number-Yds-TD	1-[-1]	0-0
Average Per Return	-1.0	0.0
Kickoff Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0	3-65-0
Average Per Return	0.0	21.7
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	1-8-0	2-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	2-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Third-Down Conversions	6-12	2-12
Fourth-Down Conversions	0-0	1-3
Sacks	1	3
PAT Kicks	4-4	3-3
Field Goals	0-1	0-0
Time of Possession	28:00	20:00



# 2021 RESULTS / OFFENSE

## SAINT IGNATIUS

<b>Rushing</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Net</b>	<b>TD</b>	<b>Lg</b>	<b>Avg</b>
LENEHAN	32	119	1	20	3.7
GEORGES	4	19	0	7	4.8
PFAFF	2	-18	0	0	-9.0
PAPESH	2	-17	0	0	-8.5
TOMPKINS	1	7	0	0	7.0
MARTIN	1	0	0	0	0.0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>4.8</b>

<b>Passing</b>	<b>C-A-I</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	<b>Long</b>	<b>Sack</b>
PFAFF	10-21-2	212	3	47	2
PAPESH	0-2-0	0	0	0	1
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>10-23-2</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>3</b>

<b>Receiving</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Yards</b>	<b>TD</b>	<b>Long</b>
TOMPKINS	4	65	1	30
MURESAN	3	98	2	47
LENEHAN	1	8	0	8
WARD	1	11	0	11
VOLLMER	1	30	0	30
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>47</b>

<b>Punting</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>Long</b>	<b>In20</b>	<b>TB</b>
ELDRIDGE	4	142	35.5	46	2	0

<b>Returns</b>	<b>Punt</b>			<b>Kickoff</b>			<b>Intercept</b>		
	<b>No</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>Lg</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>Lg</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>Lg</b>
DUNSTAN	1	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NORRIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	8	8
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>

## ST. XAVIER

<b>Rushing</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Net</b>	<b>TD</b>	<b>Lg</b>	<b>Avg</b>
KELLOM	14	46	0	27	3.3
MCCAUGHEY	6	17	1	7	2.8
TEAM	1	-1	0	0	-1.0
BARESWILT	1	-11	0	0	-11.0
KLARE	1	0	0	0	0.0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>2.2</b>

<b>Passing</b>	<b>C-A-I</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	<b>Long</b>	<b>Sack</b>
MCCAUGHEY	20-36-1	218	2	37	1
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>20-36-1</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>1</b>

<b>Receiving</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Yards</b>	<b>TD</b>	<b>Long</b>
MCFARLIN	8	89	1	37
KLARE	7	85	1	20
KELLOM	2	15	0	12
WASSLER	1	23	0	23
VRANSKY	1	-1	0	0
RYAN	1	7	0	7
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>37</b>

<b>Punting</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>Long</b>	<b>In20</b>	<b>TB</b>
KLARE	5	164	32.8	44	0	0
CLARK	1	28	28.0	28	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>32.0</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

<b>Returns</b>	<b>Punt</b>			<b>Kickoff</b>			<b>Intercept</b>		
	<b>No</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>Lg</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>Lg</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>Lg</b>
KIRK	0	0	0	2	40	20	0	0	0
KEMPER	0	0	0	1	25	25	1	0	0
BARESWILT	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>



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