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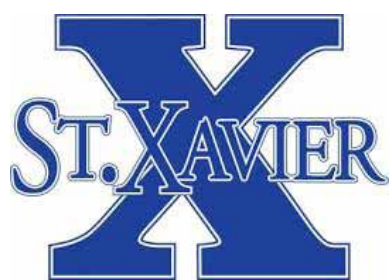


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2018 GAME NOTES
WEEK NINE:
ST. XAVIER

THE MATCHUP



**St. Xavier
BOMBERS**



at

**Saint Ignatius
WILDCATS**

**October 20, 2018
Ballaban Field
Kickoff: 2 p.m.**

Saint Ignatius Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/Score
8/25	vs. Archbishop Hoban	L, 14-21
9/1	vs. Mentor	L, 7-28
9/7	@ Euclid	W, 21-6
9/14	@ COF Academy	W, 35-0
9/22	vs. Cincinnati Elder	W, 17-7
9/29	vs. Clarkson Football North	W, 45-13
10/6	vs. West Toronto Prep	W, 45-0
10/13	vs. Archbishop Moeller	W, 32-7
10/20	@ St. Xavier	2 p.m.
10/26	vs. St. Edward	7 p.m.

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Team Information

Saint Ignatius High School: 6-2
OHSAA Division I, Region 1
Head Coach: Chuck Kyle '69
Record at School: 351-89-1
Overall Record: 351-89-1

St. Xavier High School: 4-4
OHSAA Division I, Region 4
Head Coach: Steve Specht
Record at School: 123-48
Overall Record: 123-48

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ABOUT THE WILDCATS ...

Previous Matchups vs. St. Xavier (12-13)

10/21/17	W	28-14	H	
12/2/16	L	20-27	N	StateChamp 20T
10/22/16	W	31-14	A	
10/24/15	W	34-20	H	
10/25/14	L	10-24	A	
10/26/13	L	10-13	H	
10/20/12	W	32-21	A	
10/22/11	L	12-14	H	
10/23/10	L	9-19	A	
10/24/09	W	30-21	H	
10/18/08	W	19-16	A	OT
10/20/07	L	14-17	H	3OT
10/21/06	L	0-17	A	
10/22/05	L	0-22	H	
10/23/04	L	10-13	A	
10/18/03	L	17-20	H	
10/19/02	L	17-18	A	
12/1/01	W	37-6	N	State Champ.
10/20/01	L	41-42	H	
9/16/00	W	29-10	A	
10/23/99	L	33-50	H	
10/25/97	W	19-14	H	
10/26/96	W	35-14	A	
12/5/92	W	24-14	N	State Champ.
10/26/91	W	39-20	H	

Series History

Meetings25
First Meeting10/26/1991
Most Recent Meeting.....10/21/2017

Saint Ignatius Wins.....12
Last Saint Ignatius Win...10/21/2017
St. Xavier Wins.....13
Last St. Xavier Win.....12/2/2016
Ties.....0

Longest Winning Streaks In Series
Saint Ignatius....4; 10/26/91-10/25/97
St. Xavier.....6; 10/19/02-10/20/07
Current Streak.....Saint Ignatius, 1

Largest Margin of Victory
Saint Ignatius.....31 points; 12/1/01
St. Xavier.....22 points; 10/22/05

Fun Facts:

- The two twams have played in the regular season for 19 straight seasons. St. X is 12-7 in those games.
- The Bombers have won 12 of the 22 regular season meetings.
- The Wildcats have won the last 3 regular season games.

Wildcats Storylines ...

MILESTONE ACHIEVED: With the Wildcats' win over Archbishop Moeller, Coach Chuck Kyle '69 now has more wins (351) than every other Saint Ignatius head coach combined (350).

GOOD THINGS COME IN THREES: The Wildcats play three of the four teams in Greater Catholic League (GCL) South this season. The Wildcats have defeated both Elder and Archbishop Moeller, and look to defeat St. Xavier on Saturday to claim bragging rights as the unofficial champs of the GCL. Moeller claimed the official title by defeating Elder on October 5, 24-21. Only once in program history have the Wildcats beaten three Cincinnati teams in one season - in 2008. The Wildcats defeated La Salle (50-0) and St. Xavier (19-16 in OT) in the regular season and Elder (28-20) in the state championship.

OL' RELIABLE: The Saint Ignatius passing attack has reliably provided the Wildcats with points during the team's six-game winning streak. The Wildcats have notched a passing touchdown in each of the last six contests. Quarterback Patrick Delahunty has thrown for 150 yards in each of the last 5 games, totaling 1,289 yards and 12 touchdowns on the season.

THREE YARDS AND A CLOUD OF DUST: Jahadge "Bo" Floyd and Jack Welcsh have toted the rock this season, wearing down defenders and opening space for the passing game. Floyd has 401 yards and 5 touchdowns on the year, while Welcsh has 284 yards and 4 scores. As a team, the Wildcats have reached the end zone 13 times via the ground, including at least once per game in the last five weeks.

UNDER PRESSURE: Since Tommy Eichenberg moved to middle linebacker in Week 3, the Wildcats' defense has been nearly unstoppable. Opponents have scored just 33 points, including just 7 against the Wildcats' starters. As a team, the Wildcats play a 3-3 stack, mixing up coverages under Defensive Coordinator Ryan Franzinger '02. The Wildcats will look to stop St. Xavier's run game without bringing a seventh man into the box and limiting pass coverage vs. the spread.

NO FLY ZONE: The Wildcats' secondary has heated up in recent weeks, shutting down the passing games of Euclid, Elder, and Moeller. The Wildcats allow just 5.3 yards per pass and 117.8 passing yards per game to opponents.

KICKING CANCER, ONE POINT AT A TIME: The Wildcats special teams unit has dedicated the 2018 season to raising money for pediatric cancer research. Teaming up with Kick-It for Cancer, the Wildcats have tallied 50 points and raised \$3,600 for the cause thus far this season. Since Matt Colella '14 began the Kick-It program, the Cats have helped Kick-It raise \$1 million for children's cancer research.

OFFERS: Several members of the Wildcats have received offers in recent weeks. Tommy Eichenberg drew offers from Ohio State and Michigan, Zach McMahan received one from Lake Erie College, and Pat Otter received a preferred walk-on offer from Louisville.

ABOUT ST. XAVIER ...

Learning about the Bombers ...

IN NEED OF A W: The 2018 Bombers find themselves in a situation similar to the 2016 season – with a 4-4 record entering the annual showdown vs. Saint Ignatius. In 2016, St. Xavier lost to Saint Ignatius but defeated Louisville St. Xavier to clinch a playoff spot. The Bombers won five straight playoff games to win the state title.

FAMILIAR FACE: The head coach of the Bombers and the head coach of the Wildcats know each other well. Coach Steve Specht and Coach Chuck Kyle are good friends and legendary competitors on the field. Since 2004, when Specht took over as St. Xavier's coach, the Bombers have a 9-6 record vs. Saint Ignatius.

SPREAD IT OUT: St. Xavier employs a spread offense, lining up universally in shotgun with 4-5 wide receivers. The Bombers' offense can balance the run and pass well, using run-pass options, jet sweeps, and zone reads to keep defenses guessing.

THE GUNSLINGER: Quarterback Wyatt Hudepohl leads the St. Xavier offense. The 6'3, 197-pound signalcaller has 1,397 yards, 13 touchdowns, and 8 interceptions through the air and 113 yards and 2 touchdowns on the ground. Hudepohl has a strong arm and is capable of finding running room on quarterback draws and RPO's.

PLAYMAKERS TO WATCH: St. Xavier has dangerous options on offense. Chief among them is Jared Kreimer. The 6'0, 177-pound playmaker can line up at wideout or quarterback, often runs jet sweeps, and serves as the punter. He leads the team with 31 receptions for 486 yards and 4 touchdowns. Chris Payne is the squad's top rusher (367 rushing yards, 5 TDs). Tight end Marshall Lang (294 yards and 2 TDs) and wideout Liam Clifford (193 yards, 4 TDs) are others to watch.

DEFENSIVE SCHEMING: Much like the Bombers utilize a 3-3 stack on defense. The approach makes it difficult for opponents, as the QB can't read the defense until after the play starts. The Bombers like to blitz and play man-free coverage. As a team, the Bombers have 3 defensive TDs this season.

DEFENDERS TO WATCH: St. Xavier's linebackers are the backbone of the defense, as Nathan Arthur and Thomas Kiessling lead the defense in tackles. Tucker Hundley is a beast in the secondary, with 2 interceptions and 27 solo tackles. Keep an eye on DBs Trevor Potts and B.J. Ferguson.

SPECIAL BATTLE: The Bombers have strong special teams. Kreimer is a rugby-style punter who has successfully faked punts this year. Kicker Joe Sullivan has only notched one field goal but is a perfect 15-of-15 on extra points.

2018 Schedule

8/24	vs. Lakota West <i>Paul Brown Stadium</i>	W, 34-0
8/31	vs. Colerain <i>Ballaban Field</i>	L, 12-14
9/7	vs. Walnut Hills <i>Ballaban Field</i>	W, 41-7
9/14	vs. Cathedral (IN) <i>University of Indianapolis</i>	L, 14-20 OT
9/21	vs. Moeller <i>Ballaban Field</i>	L, 14-19
9/28	@Elder <i>The Pit</i>	L, 26-51
10/5	vs. La Salle <i>Nippert Stadium</i>	W, 42-7
10/12	vs. Clarkson Football North <i>Ballaban Field</i>	W, 38-19
10/20	vs. Saint Ignatius <i>Ballaban Field</i>	2 p.m.
10/26	vs. Louisville St. Xavier <i>Ballaban Field</i>	7 p.m.



BY THE NUMBERS/ WILDCATS TO WATCH

277.9

Yards per game by the Wildcats' offense

30

Pass breakups by the Wildcats' defense

14

Points scored by Wildcats' special teams vs. Moeller

9-6

Wildcats' record in Cincinnati

7

Points allowed by the Cats' starting defense in the last 6 games

2.4

Average yards per rush allowed by the Wildcats

TE JAKE LANG '20



A reliable red zone and middle-of-the-field target, Jake Lang is an important piece of the offense. The junior is a reliable option for QB Patrick Delahunty, offering a safety valve. Lang is also a solid blocker on run plays, helping to pave rushing lanes for Bo Floyd and Jack Welcsh. Look for Lang to make an impact vs. St. Xavier.

DL AIDAN WELLS '19



The Wildcats' two-way star caught his first career touchdown pass vs. Moeller and notched a tackle. As the season has evolved, Aidan Wells has developed into an important playmaker and leader for the Wildcats as a tight end and a defensive end. Wells will continue to play a crucial role vs. St. Xavier in attacking the ballcarrier and in creating open lanes for the Wildcats' rushers.

SAINT IGNATIUS ROSTER

#	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Position	#	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Position
2	Zachary LaPorte	Sr.	5'9	150	WR	61	Zachary Sertz	Sr.	6'2	205	OL
3	Michael Sarko	Sr.	6'2	175	WR	62	Rico Levert	Jr.	5'11	245	DL
4	Rory McConville	Jr.	5'9	160	K/P	63	Zachary McMahan	Sr.	6'0	250	DL
5	Declan Mangan	So.	5'10	155	K/P	64	Tony Georges	Jr.	6'3	275	OL/DL
6	Jett Elad	Sr.	6'1	180	DB	65	Grant Abbott	Sr.	6'4	280	OL
7	Nigel Drummond II	Sr.	5'11	163	WR/DB	66	Seamus McCarthy	Sr.	6'0	270	OL/DL
8	Connor Cmiel	Jr.	6'2	170	WR/DB	70	Owen Keane	Jr.	6'3	265	OL
9	Erik Daugenti	Jr.	6'1	160	WR/DB	71	Nicholas Schwitzgebel	Jr.	6'3	270	OL/DL
10	Griffin Hanna	Jr.	6'1	175	QB	72	William McCormick	Sr.	6'4	230	OL
11	Luke Cooper	Sr.	5'10	162	WR	74	Owen Murphy	Sr.	6'6	265	OL/DL
13	Jacob Riedl	Sr.	5'11	130	DB	76	Xavier Everett	Sr.	6'3	277	OL
15	Merick Hartley	Jr.	5'10	165	DB	78	Seamus Cooney	Sr.	6'3	260	DL/OL
16	Ryan Coyne	Sr.	5'11	160	DB	79	Benjamin Kormos	Jr.	6'6	245	OL
17	Patrick Delahunty	Sr.	6'0	195	QB	80	Sam Daugstrup	Jr.	6'5	230	TE
18	Patrick Keane	Jr.	6'0	170	QB	82	Domenic Fabe	Jr.	6'0	160	WR
19	Nathan Conry	Sr.	5'11	170	WR	83	James Spear	Jr.	6'0	150	WR
20	Michael Simcak	So.	5'8	175	RB	84	Ethan Biacsi	Sr.	6'3	185	WR
21	Henry Cook	Jr.	5'10	160	WR	85	Timothy Lewis	Jr.	6'1	175	WR
22	Jahadge Floyd	Sr.	5'7	190	RB	86	Aidan Wells	Sr.	6'4	260	TE/DL
23	Ian Lucic	Sr.	5'11	190	RB	88	John Cannon	Sr.	6'0	220	TE
24	John Kennedy	Sr.	6'0	180	DB/WR	89	Alex Tuason	Jr.	5'10	130	WR
25	Aidan Rechin	Sr.	5'11	155	DB	90	Aidan Conway	So.	6'1	215	LB
26	Mitchell Puhalsky	Sr.	5'11	185	DB	91	Daniel Finnan	Jr.	5'10	155	DB
27	James Crosby	Jr.	5'9	172	RB	92	AJ Canzano	Sr.	6'0	209	TE
28	Owen Adler	Sr.	6'0	190	DB	95	Sean Wracher	Sr.	6'4	205	LS
29	Dominic DeVengencie	Jr.	5'9	150	DB/WR	96	Patrick Otter	Sr.	5'10	175	K/P
31	Caden Campolieti	Sr.	6'1	218	LB		Michael Gallipoli	Sr.			Manager
32	Vincent Fagnilli	Jr.	5'8	140	DB		Declan McCarthy	Sr.			Manager
33	Michael Corte	Jr.	6'0	166	DB		Ryan Paul	Sr.			Manager
35	Christopher Mathews	Jr.	5'11	180	DB		Luke Van De Walle	Sr.			Manager
37	Michael McNamara	Jr.	6'1	210	RB/LB		Elias Yazbeck	Sr.			Manager
38	Charles Kinzel	Jr.	5'10	150	DB		Benjamin Rossi	Jr.			Coaching Intern
39	Jacob Davis	Jr.	5'11	185	DB		Nathan Sommerfeld	Jr.			Student Training Aid
40	Sam Kempton	Jr.	5'10	170	DB						
41	John Wetula	Sr.	6'2	180	DB/WR		Coaches:				
42	Jake Lang	Jr.	6'3	195	TE/LB		Chuck Kyle '69				Head Coach
44	Christopher Velotta Jr.	Sr.	5'11	195	DB		Nick Restifo				Offensive Coordinator/QB
45	Thomas Eichenberg	Sr.	6'3	228	LB		Ryan Franzinger '02				Defensive Coordinator/LB
46	Jack Welcsh	Jr.	6'0	190	RB/DB		Jim Cahill '89				Quarterbacks Coach
48	Daniel Scelza	Sr.	5'11	205	DB		Terry Fergus '72				Running Backs Coach
49	Michael Mangan	Sr.	5'9	195	RB		Jack Hyland '14				Wide Receivers Coach
51	Connor Francz	Jr.	6'2	210	LB		Adam Rini '99				Offensive Line Coach
52	Anthony Gerace	Jr.	6'2	240	DL		Paul Yappel				Offensive Line Coach
54	Aidan Crummie	Jr.	6'1	197	LB		Dave Cicetti				Defensive Line Coach
55	C. Bennett Adler	So.	6'2	180	DL		Mark Sullivan				Defensive Line Coach
56	Matthew Kall	Jr.	6'0	251	OL		Kevin Johnson '10				Defensive Backs Coach
57	Aidan Hubbard	So.	6'4	200	LB		John Pieschalski '89				Defensive Backs Coach
58	Kevin Kempffer	Jr.	6'1	200	LB		Mo Sizemore				Head Athletic Trainer
59	Maximilian Watters	Jr.	6'2	250	DL		Tony Connacher				Assistant Athletic Trainer
60	Michael Hilbig	Sr.	6'2	226	OL						

ST. XAVIER ROSTER



2018 St. Xavier Football Roster and Schedule



A Look At Cincinnati St. Xavier High School

Location: Cincinnati Established: 1831 Nickname: Bombers Colors: Blue and White Conference: Greater Catholic League – South Enrollment: 1494 President: Mr. Timothy Reilly Principal: Mr. Terrence Tyrrell Athletic Director: Mr. Brian Reinhart Assistant Athletic Director: Mr. Dante Jennings Athletic Department Assistant: Ms. Teri Smith Director of Communications: Mrs. Becky Schulte	Head Coach: Steve Specht College: Earlham, 1991 Career Record (2004 – 2017): 130 – 46 Assistant Coaches: Dave Allspach, Tim Banker, Jake Brodbeck, , Matt Keith, Greg Kendall, Bob Klotz, Robert Klotz, Jeff Neal, Mike Wiles, Tyler Williams, Zak Wyche Strength & Conditioning: Terrell Williams Team Physicians: John Linz, Eugene Reilly, Kevin Reilly Athletic Trainers: Mike Gordon, Ken Rushford Statisticians: Kurt Brinkman, Kathy Eby, Mike Luehrmann, Teri Smith IT Technician: Justin Wilson	Managers: Patrick Bockhorst, Brian Corni, James Kostopoulos Ben Seaman, AJ Wessel Radio (WSAI AM 1360 & ESPN AM 1530): Ralph Nardini, Tony Schad Scoreboard Operator: Tom Delisio PA Announcer: Dave Eby Bomb Squad: Joe Auberger, Christopher Langenderfer, Christian Monahan, Max Perrino, Kelley Smith, Jason Torrible, Court Westerkamp, James Winstel Mascot: Nicholas Smith, Sam Smith, Corey Sullivan, Patrick Wurzbacher Bomb Squad Moderator: Ray Heyob Band Director: Mr. Jody Besse
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No.	Player	Pos.	Year	Ht.	Wt.	No.	Player	Pos.	Year	Ht.	Wt.
2	Liam Clifford	QB/WR	So.	6'1"	184	43	Nathan Arthur	LB	Sr.	5'11"	189
3	Chris Payne	FB/RB	Sr.	6'1"	216	44	Ben Bracken	RB	Jr.	5'10"	175
4	Tucker Hundley	DB	Jr.	5'11"	173	45	Thomas Kiessling	LB	Sr.	6'4"	225
5	Noah Taylor	LB	Jr.	6'2"	187	45	Ethan Lynch	DB	Jr.	5'10"	140
6	Carson Kiley	LB	Sr.	5'11"	190	46	William MacDonald	DL	Sr.	6'0"	209
6	Joe Sullivan	PK	Jr.	5'10"	170	47	Alex Duarte	LB	Jr.	6'0"	182
7	Wiles Dolle	WR	Jr.	6'0"	160	48	Logan Van De Hatert	TE	Jr.	6'0"	207
8	Joel Szanti	DB	Sr.	6'1"	174	49	Robert Waddell	DL	Sr.	5'11"	195
9	Drew Maier	QB	Jr.	6'0"	192	50	Barry Rutherford	LB	Sr.	5'11"	185
10	Jared Kreimer	WR/P	Sr.	6'0"	170	51	Phillip Apking	OL	Jr.	6'0"	241
11	Wyatt Hudepohl	QB	Jr.	6'3"	197	52	Jack Hammond	OL	Sr.	6'4"	220
12	Matthew Rueve	QB	Jr.	6'3"	174	54	George Abugoch	OL	Sr.	6'1"	232
12	Zach Saupe	PK	Sr.	5'8"	139	55	Patrick Galligan	DL	Jr.	5'10"	180
13	Andre Mazur	PK	Sr.	5'11"	187	56	Nick Jones	OL	Jr.	6'0"	240
13	Bo Tillet	DB	Jr.	5'7"	150	57	Ian McDonnell	OL	Jr.	5'11"	237
14	Jack Monti	QB	Sr.	6'1"	191	58	Samuel McGarvey	OL	Jr.	5'11"	233
15	Aaron Ney	RB	Sr.	5'9"	167	59	Matthew Mohn	OL	Sr.	6'2"	265
15	Jacob Zisko	DB	Jr.	5'11"	177	60	Noah Johnston	DL	Jr.	5'10"	181
16	Nathan Stockman	DB/WR	Sr.	6'1"	170	61	Tim Taul	OL	Jr.	6'0"	196
17	B.J. Ferguson	DB	Sr.	5'10"	179	62	Ryan Fleming	OL	Sr.	6'0"	240
17	Kellen Rushford	DB	Jr.	5'9"	153	63	Nate Uhl	OL	Jr.	6'0"	207
18	Hayden Bailey	DE	Jr.	6'0"	208	64	Giovanni Albanese	DL	So.	6'1"	240
19	Charles Williams	RB	Sr.	5'6"	153	65	Sam Gardner	OL	Jr.	6'1"	290
20	Kellen Newman	RB	Jr.	5'8"	181	66	Andrew Muskopf	DL	Jr.	5'8"	199
20	Sam Glines	DB	Sr.	5'8"	148	67	Jackson Howe	DL	Jr.	6'2"	197
21	Daniel Baptist	DB	Jr.	5'8"	154	68	Lance Kautzmann	OL	Sr.	5'10"	254
22	Nick Gerbus	WR/DB	Sr.	6'1"	164	69	Peter Bergmann	OL	Jr.	6'1"	267
23	Raja Bridges	LB	Sr.	6'1"	217	70	Jack Kirby	OL	Jr.	6'3"	290
24	Luke Ireton	WR	Jr.	5'9"	121	71	Sam Rieger	DL	Sr.	6'1"	220
25	Drew Klas	DB	Jr.	6'1"	165	72	Robert Nussman	OL	Sr.	6'0"	258
26	Jacob Fitzpatrick	DB	Sr.	5'11"	158	74	Carter Rammes	OL	Sr.	6'3"	220
26	Justin Wittrock	WR	Jr.	5'9"	142	75	Ethan Nurre	OL	Sr.	6'7"	293
27	Albie Chatfield	DB	Sr.	5'10	159	77	Paris Johnson	OL	Jr.	6'7"	287
27	Cye Wallace	CB	Jr.	5'8"	158	79	Alec Keith	OL	Jr.	6'1"	239
28	Garrett Romaine	DB	Sr.	5'9"	168	80	Jack Cook	WR/DB	Jr.	6'0"	162
28	Isaiah Moore	DB	Sr.	5'9"	142	81	Ben Moeller	WR/DB	Sr.	6'4"	171
29	Gary Johnson	WR/DB	Sr.	6'1"	164	82	Patrick McIntyre	WR	Sr.	5'10"	164
29	Jake Kennard	WR	Sr.	5'11"	160	83	Keenan McAuliffe	WR	Sr.	6'3"	185
30	Trevor Potts	DB	Sr.	5'9"	181	84	Jacob Monzel	P/WR/DB	Sr.	6'0"	172
31	Adam Iorfida	DB	Jr.	5'10"	159	85	Owen Smith	WR	Jr.	5'11"	148
32	John Sonnefeld	DB	Sr.	5'11"	144	86	Daniel Klusty	WR	Sr.	6'0"	182
33	Eddie Krumdieck	LB	Sr.	5'11"	185	87	John Fritz	WR	Sr.	6'0"	172
34	Jacob Duborg	DE	Jr.	6'1"	187	88	Marshall Lang	WR/TE	Jr.	6'4"	217
35	Jack Kemper	LB	Jr.	5'11"	187	89	William Rust	TE	Sr.	6'1"	204
36	Ethan Fries	LB	Sr.	5'8"	219	90	Allen Donegan	DL	Jr.	5'7"	230
37	Jacob Baga	DB	Sr.	5'9"	143	91	Garren Carter	DE	Jr.	6'2"	237
37	Ben Wheeler	RB	Sr.	5'8"	206	92	Mitch Scheible	DL	Sr.	5'11"	200
38	Trey Williams	RB	Jr.	5'11"	182	93	Parker Rabe	DL	Sr.	5'8"	242
38	Cole Davoran	DB	Jr.	5'7"	153	94	Carter Nolan	TE	Sr.	6'3"	185
39	Peter Hines	PK	Sr.	5'8"	140	95	Jacob Tissot	DL	Jr.	6'0"	210
39	Jay Glenn	DB	Jr.	5'8"	129	97	Charlie Eckert	DE	Jr.	6'2"	211
40	Adam Childs	DL	Jr.	5'8"	199	98	Joe Waddell	DL	Jr.	5'9"	172
41	T.J. O'Malley	LB	Jr.	6'0"	184	99	Jon Waddell	DL	Jr.	5'8"	195
42	Joe Schmidt	LB	Jr.	5'10"	202						

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

#7 Wiles Doll-EE	#13 Bo Till-it	#28 Garrett Row-main	#49 Thomas Wadpdell	#75 Ethan Ner-ee
#8 Joel Zan-TEE	#13 Andre Ma-zure	#31 Adam Eye-or-fih-da	#54 George Abba-gooch	#82 Patrick Mac-in-TIRE
#9 Drew May-er	#14 Jack Mon-tee	#32 John Son-a-feld	#59 Matthew Moon	#84 Jacob Mon-zell
#10 Jared Cry-mer	#15 Aaron Nay	#33 Eddie Crumb-dick	#61 Tim Tall	#90 Allen Don-again
#12 Matthew Ree-ve	#24 Luke Eye-er-ton	#36 Ethan Freeze	#63 Nate You'll	#92 Mitch Schibe-lee
#12 Zach Sap-EE	#27 Cye Wall-is	#45 Thomas Keys-ling	#74 Carter Ray-mess	#98 Joe Wad-dell

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OFFENSE

DEFENSE

QB	17	Patrick Delahunty	6'0"	195 lbs	Sr.	
	10	Griffin Hanna	6'1"	175 lbs	Jr.	
RB	22	Jahadge Floyd	5'7"	190 lbs	Sr.	
	46	Jack Welcsh	6'0"	190 lbs	Jr.	
	37	Michael McNamara	6'1"	210 lbs.	Jr.	
FB	49	Michael Mangan	5'9"	195 lbs	Sr.	OR
	37	Michael McNamara	6'1"	210 lbs.	Jr.	
TE	42	Jake Lang	6'3"	195 lbs.	Jr.	
	86	Aidan Wells	6'4"	260 lbs	Sr.	
WR	24	Jack Kennedy	6'0"	180 lbs	Sr.	
	19	Nathan Conry	5'11"	170 lbs	Sr.	
WR	8	Connor Cmiel	6'2"	170 lbs	Jr.	
	9	Erik Daugenti	6'1"	160 lbs	Jr.	
Slot	11	Luke Cooper	5'10"	162 lbs	Sr.	
	84	Ethan Biacsi	6'3"	185 lbs	Sr.	
LT	76	Xavier Everett	6'3"	277 lbs	Sr.	
	70	Owen Keane	6'3"	265 lbs	Jr.	
LG	65	Grant Abbott	6'4"	280 lbs	Sr.	
	70	Owen Keane	6'3"	265 lbs	Jr.	
C	66	Seamus McCarthy	6'0"	270 lbs	Sr.	
	65	Grant Abbott	6'4"	280 lbs	Sr.	
RG	74	Owen Murphy	6'6"	265 lbs	Sr.	
	70	Owen Keane	6'3"	265 lbs	Jr.	
RT	64	Tony Georges	6'3"	275 lbs	Jr.	OR
	71	Nick Schwitzgebel	6'3"	270 lbs	Jr.	

LE	52	Anthony Gerace	6'2"	240 lbs	Jr.	
	59	Max Watters	6'2"	250 lbs	Jr.	
NT	63	Zach McMahan	6'0"	250 lbs	Sr.	
	78	Seamus Cooney	6'3"	260 lbs	Sr.	
RE	86	Aidan Wells	6'4"	260 lbs	Sr.	
	59	Max Watters	6'2"	250 lbs	Jr.	
OLB	37	Michael McNamara	6'1"	210 lbs.	Jr.	
	51	Connor Francz	6'2"	210 lbs	Jr.	
MLB	45	Tommy Eichenberg	6'3"	228 lbs	Sr.	
	47	Kyle Sullivan	6'0"	205 lbs	Sr.	
OLB	31	Caden Campolieti	6'1"	218 lbs	Sr.	
	57	Aidan Hubbard	6'4"	200 lbs	So.	
CB	24	Jack Kennedy	6'0"	180 lbs	Sr.	
	25	Aidan Rechin	5'11"	155 lbs	Sr.	
SS	48	Danny Scelza	5'11"	205 lbs	Sr.	
	46	Jack Welcsh	6'0"	190 lbs	Jr.	
SS	44	Chris Velotta, Jr.	5'10"	195 lbs	Sr.	
	46	Jack Welcsh	6'0"	190 lbs	Jr.	
FS	26	Mitchell Puhalsky	5'10"	185 lbs	Sr.	
	15	Merick Hartley	5'10"	165 lbs	Jr.	
CB	6	Jett Elad	6'1"	180 lbs	Sr.	
	8	Connor Cmiel	6'2"	170 lbs	Jr.	

**Depth chart is subject to change*

SPECIAL TEAMS

KO	96	Patrick Otter	5'10"	175 lbs	Sr.	
	4	Rory McConville	5'9"	160 lbs	Jr.	
PK	4	Rory McConville	5'9"	160 lbs	Jr.	
	5	Declan Mangan	5'10"	155 lbs	So.	
P	96	Patrick Otter	5'10"	175 lbs	Sr.	
	5	Declan Mangan	5'10"	155 lbs	So.	
H	21	Henry Cook	5'10"	160 lbs	Jr.	
LS	95	Sean Wracher	6'4"	205 lbs	Sr.	
PR	19	Nathan Conry	5'11"	170 lbs	Sr.	
	2	Zach LaPorte	5'9"	150 lbs	Jr.	
KR	8	Connor Cmiel	6'2"	170 lbs	Jr.	
	2	Zach LaPorte	5'9"	150 lbs	Jr.	

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

#2 Zach LAH-port	#48 Daniel SKEL-za
#6 JET EE-lad	#52 Anthony Ger-RACE-ee
#7 NYE-gel DRUM-mond	#62 Rico Le-VERT
#8 Connor Kah-meel	#63 Zachary Mick-MAN
#15 MARE-ick HEART-lee	#66 SHAY-mus McCarthy
#17 Patrick DELL-ah-HUNT-tee	#70 Owen CANE
#20 Ja-HODGE "Bo" Floyd	#71 Nick SCH-witz-ga-bel
#25 Mitchell Puh-HALL-ski	#84 Ethan BEE-ah-chee
#31 KAY-den CAMP-oh-lett-ee	#95 Sean RA-cher
#41 John WET-oo-la	
#45 Thomas EYE-ken-berg	
#46 Jack WELSH	

RANKINGS/ HISTORY

Cleveland.com Top 25

1. (2) Archbishop Hoban (8-0)
2. (1) Mentor (7-1)
3. (3) St. Edward (5-2)
4. (4) Avon Lake (8-0)
5. (5) Saint Ignatius (6-2)
6. (6) Euclid (7-1)
7. (10) Solon (7-1)
8. (7) Avon (7-1)
9. (8) Garfield Heights (8-0)
10. (9) Kenston (8-0)
11. (11) Perry (7-1)
12. (12) Wadsworth (8-0)
13. (13) Maple Heights (8-0)
14. (14) Barberton (8-0)
15. (15) Kirtland (8-0)
16. (16) Nordononia (7-1)
17. (17) Akron East (7-1)
18. (19) Strongsville (5-3)
19. (18) St. Vincent-St. Mary (5-3)
20. (21) Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin (7-1)
21. (25) Highland (7-1)
22. (-) Cleveland Heights (6-2)
23. (-) Valley Forge (6-2)
24. (22) Berea-Midpark (5-3)
25. (23) Olmsted Falls (6-2)

This Day in History

Games15
 First Game1923
 Most Recent Game.....2012
 Saint Ignatius Wins.....11
 Last Saint Ignatius Win.....2012
 Saint Ignatius Losses.....3
 Last Saint Ignatius Loss.....2007
 Largest Margin of Victory
 Saint Ignatius....46, 1961 vs. West Tech
 Opponents.....26, 1946 vs. Benedictine

Games on Oct. 13 (11-3-1):

1923	vs. Cleveland West HS	W	18-0
1933	vs. Cleveland West HS	T	7-7
1946	vs. Benedictine HS	L	0-26
1956	vs. Cleveland Rhodes	W	19-7
1961	vs. Cleveland West Tech	W	46-0
1962	vs. Cleveland John Marshall	W	40-0
1967	vs. Cleveland West Tech	W	45-12
1972	vs. Cleveland John Marshall	W	12-0
1978	vs. Cleveland South	W	23-0
1979	vs. St. Edward HS	W	17-6
1984	vs. St. Joseph HS	W	17-13
1995	vs. St. Edward HS	W	27-10
2001	vs. Cincinnati St. Xavier	L	41-42
2007	vs. Cincinnati St. Xavier	L	14-17 3OT
2012	vs. Cincinnati St. Xavier	W	32-21

Joe Eitel, Division I, Region 1

Rank	W-L	Mailing City	School	Avg	Level 1	L2	L2 divisor
1	7-1	Mentor	Mentor \$	24.1339	44.5	182.0	98
2	8-0	Canton	Canton McKinley	23.7033	47.0	176.5	99
3	7-1	Euclid	Euclid	21.4716	44.5	157.5	99
4	7-1	Solon	Solon	20.6000	44.0	151.0	100
5	5-2	Cleveland	Saint Ignatius	18.0081	31.0	119.5	88
6	6-2	Austintown	Austintown-Fitch	17.7948	36.5	131.0	99
7	5-2	Lakewood	St Edward	16.9838	29.0	113.0	88
8	5-3	Strongsville	Strongsville	14.9000	30.0	111.5	100
9	5-3	Massillon	Jackson	12.8250	29.0	92.0	100
10	6-2	Cleveland Heights	Cleveland Heights	12.3750	35.0	80.0	100
11	5-3	Berea	Berea-Midpark	10.3500	30.0	66.0	100
12	3-5	Medina	Medina	10.0250	19.0	76.5	100
13	5-3	Shaker Heights	Shaker Heights	9.5250	31.0	56.5	100
14	3-5	Stow	Stow-Munroe Falls @	8.2500	18.0	60.0	100
15	4-3	Cleveland	John Marshall	7.1223	22.5	34.0	87
16	1-7	Cleveland	Rhodes @	1.7875	5.5	11.0	100
17	1-7	Canton	GlenOak @	1.1446	3.5	7.0	99
18	1-7	Brunswick	Brunswick @	0.8125	6.5	0.0	100

\$ = Clinched playoff spot @ Mathematically eliminated

Statewide Division I AP Poll

Week 8 Poll: Released October 15

School	Last Wk.	1st votes	Record	Points
1. Colerain	(1)	20	8-0	238
2. Canton McKinley	(3)	3	8-0	205
3. Pickerington Cent.	(5)	-	7-1	155
4. Mentor	(2)	1	7-1	125
5. Euclid	(9)	-	7-1	102
6. Clayton Northmont	(10)	-	7-1	93
7. Hilliard Davidson	(-)	1	7-1	82
8. Solon	(-)	-	7-1	81
9. St. Edward	(6)	-	5-2	75
10. Dublin Coffman	(4)	-	7-1	47

Others receiving 12 or more points: 11. Reynoldsburg (43); 12. Saint Ignatius (42); T-13. Fairfield (18); T-13. Springfield (18);

USA TODAY Super 25 Regional Football Rankings

MIDWEST

Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, West Virginia and Wisconsin

1. (1) Warren Central (Indianapolis, IN), 9-0
2. (2) Akron Archbishop Hoban, 8-0
3. (5) Colerain (Cincinnati, OH), 8-0
4. (4) Lincoln Way East (Frankfort, IL), 8-0
5. (6) Covington Catholic (KY), 8-0
6. (7) Cass Tech (Detroit, MI), 8-0
7. (8) Muskegon (MI), 8-0
8. (9) Brother Rice (IL), 8-0
9. (10) Martinsburg (WV), 8-0
10. (3) Mentor, 7-1

GAME PREVIEW

WILDCATS PREPARED FOR TRIP DOWN I-71 TO FACE ST. XAVIER

By Joe Ginley '12

History repeats itself, as the old adage goes. The Wildcats sure wouldn't mind if it did on Saturday.

The Saint Ignatius Wildcats and St. Xavier Bombers enter Saturday's annual game in similar situations to 2016. The Wildcats enter with a 6-2 record following a big win over Moeller and a playoff spot nearly secured. The Bombers enter with a 4-4 mark looking for a win to clinch a playoff berth.

In 2016, the Wildcats defeated the Bombers at Balaban Field, 31-14, springboarding the team to a deep playoff run. Despite the loss, St. Xavier won the next week and won five straight playoff games to capture the title.

Saturday's game will be important, with playoff implications for both squads in the 26th meeting of the Jesuit schools. The contest will also mark 20 straight seasons of the annual regular season game.

ST. XAVIER OFFENSE VS. SAINT IGNATIUS DEFENSE

As is tradition under head coach Steve Spect, a good friend of Wildcats' head coach Chuck Kyle '69, the Bombers run a spread offense. St. Xavier will run its offense exclusively from the shotgun, using 4-5 wide receiver formations.

Quarterback Wyatt Hudepohl leads the Bombers' attack. The junior anchors an offense that can effectively pass the ball downfield and keep you honest with a solid ground game. Hudepohl has 1,397 yards, 13 touchdowns, and 8 interceptions through the air, and 113 yards and 2 scores on the ground this year.

Hudepohl's top target is Jared Kreimer. The 6'0, 170-pound athlete can do it all – throw, run jet sweeps, catch passes, and even serves as a rugby-style punter. On the year, Kreimer has 241 yards and 3 touchdowns at QB, 104 rushing yards and a score as a RB, and 486 yards and 4 TDs as a WR.

Chris Payne leads the team in rushing with 367 yards and 5 touchdowns, adding 3 receiving TDs. The Bombers rely on the zone read and run-pass options to gain yards on the ground. Tight end Marshall Lang and wideout Liam Clifford are also players to watch for the Bombers.

On defense, the Wildcats will counter with the traditional 3-3 stack. Led by Tommy Eichenberg at middle linebacker, the team will use a variety of blitz packages and coverages to stop the spread.

As Coach Kyle believes, the most important thing in stopping the spread is shutting down the ground game with six defenders in the box.

SAINT IGNATIUS OFFENSE VS. ST. XAVIER

DEFENSE

Just like the Wildcats, St. Xavier employs a 3-3 stack on defense. And similar to the Wildcats' Linebacker Legion, the Bombers have a great corps of 'backers that form the soul of the defense.

Linebackers Nathan Arthur and Thomas Kiessling top the team in tackles and flow to the ball well. Ethan Lynch and Noah Taylor also rotate at linebacker for an aggressive defense that likes to blitz five players. The Wildcats' offensive line worked in practice this week to stop the "tidal wave," as Coach Kyle called it.

The 3-3 stack offers unique challenges for an offense, particularly in reading the defense after the snap. The quarterback must quickly diagnose the blitz to avoid losing yards.

St. Xavier's defensive backs also make things difficult for opponents. Defensive back Tucker Hundley has a knack for finding the ball, as the junior is third on the team in tackles and has two interceptions on the year. B.J. Ferguson and Nathan Stockman each have returned an interception for a touchdown, as has Arthur. The Bombers have recovered six fumbles on the year, too.

On offense, quarterback Patrick Delahunty has found his groove. The senior has passed for a touchdown in each of the six wins this season, along with 1,289 yards through the air. His offensive line has improved its pass protection, and Delahunty has the ability to scramble when he needs more time.

Running backs Jahadge "Bo" Floyd and Jack Welcsh have also benefitted from a hard-working offensive line. The duo can pound opponents and open space for the passing game to operate. The two will look to wear down the Bombers this week.

A myriad of options exist for Delahunty in the air, particularly multi-sport athletes Connor Cmiel and Jack Kennedy. Ethan Biacsi, Jake Lang, and Nate Conry are also reliable targets.

SAINT IGNATIUS SPECIAL TEAMS VS. ST. XAVIER SPECIAL TEAMS

Battles between the Wildcats and Bombers often come down to special teams. The Wildcats hope to have the upper hand in this one.

One challenge is St. Xavier's rugby-style punting, which poses coverage challenges and the possibility of the fake. The Cats will be preparing accordingly.

In the kicking game, the Bombers have only made one field goal, while the Wildcats converted four last week, two apiece by Rory McConville and Declan Mangan. Saturday's forecast calls for 18 mph winds, so field position will be crucial.

MOELLER RECAP

WILDCATS HELP PLAYOFF CAUSE WITH WIN OVER MOELLER

By Joe Ginley '12

In a game with major playoff implications between powerhouse programs from Cincinnati and Cleveland with a combined 20 OHSAA State Championships, the Saint Ignatius Wildcats dominated the visiting Archbishop Moeller Crusaders, 32-7.

The teams started the game with punts. A trick flip from Jahadge "Bo" Floyd to Ethan Biacsi on the Wildcats' second drive kick-started the action. Moeller stood strong on defense following the big play, forcing a lengthy Saint Ignatius field goal. Declan Mangan converted the 50-yarder against the wind, an impressive kick to give the Wildcats a 3-0 lead with 5:23 left in the quarter.

The Wildcats defense again limited Moeller on the following drive. The offense started to drive down the field thanks to passes to Jack Kennedy and Jake Lang. But a Ryan Mullaney strip sack gave the football to the Crusaders on their own 32-yard line with 2:22 left in the first. On the very next play, the Wildcats' Anthony Gerace recovered a Moeller fumble on a running play, giving the offense the ball on the Moeller 32. The Wildcats managed some yards on a Delahunty to Cmiel pass, but Moeller stopped the hosts from picking up a first down. Declan Mangan still made Moeller pay, converting a 43-yard field goal with 2:22 left in the first. The score remained 6-0 Wildcats entering the second quarter.

With 8:04 left in the second, facing 4th and 1 on the Crusaders' 41-yard line, the Wildcats decided to go for it. Moeller stopped the Wildcats just short of the first down marker.

The Wildcats stood strong on defense. Jack Kennedy intercepted a long Moeller pass at the Wildcats' 23-yard line with 7:02 left in the half.

The teams traded the ball before Moeller's offense finally found traction with the run before beating the Cats over the top. Quarterback Malik Verdon floated a perfect pass over coverage to RJ Khayo in the nearside corner of the end zone. Moeller took the 7-6 lead with the extra point.

The Wildcats' Delahunty navigated the offense down the field in the waning moments of the half. Delahunty connected with Kennedy, Cmiel, and Jack Welch on clutch passes. Welch's reception was crucial. Forced to scramble, Delahunty found his trusty running back down the field. Welch bounced off several Moeller defenders and dashed to the 1-yard line. Following a timeout, Delahunty finished off the drive with a 1-yard strike across the middle to Aidan

Wells. The senior tight end's catch snatched the lead back, setting the Wildcats ahead 13-7 at half following a Rory McConville extra point.

On the second play from scrimmage in the second half, the Wildcats stripped the ball from the Crusaders. Welch recovered the fumble and fought through a number of would-be tacklers to the Moeller 11-yard line. On the next play, Delahunty dashed into the right side of the end zone. Nick Schwitzgebel and Jack Kennedy provided the key blocks on the read option. Delahunty's third rushing score of the game extended the Wildcats' lead to 19-7 before Moeller blocked the extra point.

The Wildcats' defense continued to impress on the next drive, forcing a quick Moeller punt. The Saint Ignatius offensive line went to work, paving the way for Floyd and Delahunty and a drive that ended with a 25-yard Rory McConville field goal to set the advantage at 22-7.

With two minutes left in the third quarter, Connor Cmiel picked off a Moeller pass at the 45-yard line. The junior corner followed an open seam to the left side into the end zone, following blocks by Anthony Gerace and others. McConville's PAT advanced the score to 29-7 Wildcats.

Despite a switch at quarterback, the Crusaders struggled against the Wildcats' defense. The front six continued to pressure the Crusaders' backfield, as Gerace, Tommy Eichenberg, Caden Campolieti, and others held firm. The Wildcats stopped the Crusaders on fourth and short late in the third quarter.

On the final play of the quarter, Delahunty found Jack Kennedy on a last-second pass for 17 yards, putting the Wildcats in scoring territory to end the third.

The Football Cats continued to pound Moeller's defense to begin the fourth quarter. A Floyd off-tackle run pushed the Cats to the Moeller 7-yard line. The Crusaders stood strong to keep the hosts out of the end zone, but McConville converted from 25 yards out, placing the score at 32-7.

On its ensuing drive, Moeller tried to pass the ball, but the Linebacker Legion prevented Moeller from earning any yards. A failed Moeller punt gave the Wildcats the ball at the Moeller 31-yard line with six minutes remaining.

With time dwindling, the Wildcats burned clock with short passes and runs. Following a turnover on offense, the Wildcats' defense once again stepped up to thwart the Moeller attack, ending the game at 32-7.

QUICK STATS / BALLABAN FIELD

Week Eight:

Saint Ignatius: 32 Archbishop Moeller: 7
Saturday, October 13

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Total
Moeller	0	7	0	0	7
Saint Ignatius	6	7	16	3	32

1st Quarter

05:23 SIHS - D. Mangan 50 yd field goal

00:33 SIHS - D. Mangan 43 yd field goal

2nd Quarter

02:03 MOE - Khayo 30 yd pass from Verdon (Thibodeaux kick)

00:12 SIHS - Wells 1 yd pass from Delahunty (McConville kick)

3rd Quarter

10:43 SIHS - Delahunty 11 yd run (McConville kick)

05:38 SIHS - McConville 25 yd field goal

02:57 SIHS - Cmiel 46 yd interception return (McConville kick)

4th Quarter

08:55 SIHS - McConville 29 yd field goal

	MOE	SIHS
FIRST DOWNS	7	16
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	36-48	34-97
PASSING YDS (NET)	49	216
Passes Att-Comp-Int	14-5-2	28-15-1
TOTAL OFF. PLAYS-YARDS	50-97	62-313
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	1-17
Punt Returns-Yards	1-0	1-13
Kickoff Returns-Yards	4-58	1-18
Interception Returns-Yards	1-23	2-46
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-39.5	2-41.0
Fumbles-Lost	6-3	1-1
Penalties-Yards	2-10	7-50
Possession Time	24:08	23:52
Third-Down Conversions	4 of 13	6 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 3	0 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	0-0	4-5
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-10	1-2

RUSHING: Saint Ignatius- Floyd 18-55; Delahunty 7-32; Welcsh 5-14; Kennedy 1-7; TEAM 2-(-2); Cmiel 1-(-9)
 Moeller- Verdon 8-43; Watkins 12-19; Rotello 10-18; White 1-0; TEAM 1-(-3); Cusmano 1-(-11); Khayo 3-(-18)

PASSING: Saint Ignatius- Delahunty 14-27-1-201; Floyd 1-1-0-15
 Moeller- McKenzie 2-9-2-11; Verdon 3-5-0-38

RECEIVING: Saint Ignatius- Cmiel 5-50; Welcsh 2-49; Conry 2-37; Kennedy 2-27; Lang 1-25; Biacci 1-15; Floyd 1-12; Wells 1-1

Moeller- Khayo 3-39; Boggs 1-5; Rotello 1-5
INTERCEPTIONS: Saint Ignatius- Cmiel 1-46; Kennedy 1-0
 Moeller- Owens 1-23

FUMBLES: Saint Ignatius- Delahunty 1-1
 Moeller- Watkins 2-1; Rotello 2-1; Khayo 1-0; Cusmano 1-1

Byers Field

Kickoff time: 2 PM • End of Game: 4:19 PM •

Total elapsed time: 2:19

Weather: Cold, damp

TOM BALLABAN FIELD at St. Xavier



600 West North Bend Road, Cincinnati, OH

Built: 1962

Renovated: 2004

Playing Surface: Field Turf

Seating Capacity: 6,750

Wildcats' Overall Record: 5-5

Built in 1962, Tom Ballaban Field at St. Xavier Stadium has seen many great teams play on its field, as the Bombers have fielded some impressive teams.

However, by the late-1990s, the field had begun to deteriorate, as the facility did not have stadium lights, had a grass playing surface, and a seating capacity of under 4,000.

Then in 2000, the school and athletic department began a capital improvement campaign of \$3.6 million for a new football stadium and athletic facility. In 2004, St. Xavier completed the project, as the newly constructed Ballaban Field was opened to the public.

When opened, Ballaban Field was one of the best athletic facilities not just in the Cincinnati region, but all of Ohio. The seating capacity was increased to nearly 7,000, lights were added, and artificial turf was installed.

The facility also now includes a state-of-the-art press box, which can accommodate nearly 40 members of the media, along with coaches and game day staff.

In addition to football, Ballaban Field houses soccer, lacrosse, and rugby at St. Xavier.

The namesake of the stadium is legendary Bombers head coach Tom Ballaban, a 1951 graduate, who played offensive line there and began teaching and coaching football in 1953. He accrued a 142-91-8 record in a quarter-century as head coach.

LAST SEASON'S GAME

2017 Week Nine:
Saint Ignatius: 28 St. Xavier: 14
Saturday, October 21

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Total
Saint Ignatius	7	7	14	0	28
St. Xavier	0	6	0	8	14

1st Quarter

02:33 SIHS - Floyd 75 yd run (Trickett kick)

2nd Quarter

09:47 SIHS - Snyder 31 yd pass from Alexander (Trickett kick)

01:14 X - Wittrock 21 yd pass from Wolf (Kick failed)

3rd Quarter

06:18 SIHS - Alexander 10 yd run (Trickett kick)

05:54 SIHS - Alexander 3 yd run (Trickett kick)

4th Quarter

08:59 X - Wolf 1 yd run (Specht pass from Wolf)

	SIHS	X
FIRST DOWNS	24	15
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	54-269	24-31
PASSING YDS (NET)	97	203
Passes Att-Comp-Int	18-7-0	43-19-1
TOTAL OFF. PLAYS-YARDS	72-366	67-234
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	3-34	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	1-27	1-24
Interception Returns-Yards	1-0	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-31.0	7-39.1
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	1-1
Penalties-Yards	3-30	8-100
Possession Time	28:21	19:39
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 12	6 of 16
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	2 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-2	1-1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	6-37	3-27

RUSHING: Saint Ignatius- Floyd 36-215; Alexander 16-56; TEAM 2-(-2)
 X- Fox 9-38; Kreimer 2-11; Newman 2-1; TEAM 1-(-1);
 Wolf 10-(-18)

PASSING: Saint Ignatius- Alexander 7-17-0-97; TEAM 0-1-0-0
 X- Wolf 19-43-1-203

RECEIVING: Saint Ignatius- Snyder 3-69; Kennedy 3-28; Floyd 1-0
 X- Wittrock 6-103; Shamsi 5-46; Kreimer 3-31; Fox 2-7;
 Taul 1-11; Newman 1-3; Specht 1-2

INTERCEPTIONS: Saint Ignatius- Eichenberg 1-0
 X - None

FUMBLES: Saint Ignatius- Floyd 1-1; Alexander 1-1
 X- Wolf 1-1

Byers Field

Kickoff time: 3:07 PM • End of Game: 5:53 PM •
 Total elapsed time: 2:46

Wildcats avenge state title loss, downing the Bombers at Byers

PARMA - The 8-1 Saint Ignatius Wildcats defeated the previously undefeated and state's top-ranked St. Xavier Bombers, 28-14, and ended defending state champion and Associated Press Poll Division 1 top ranked Saint Xavier's 14 game winning streak, 28-14. Saint Ignatius avenged last year's 27-20, double-overtime loss to St. Xavier in the state title game.

Saint Ignatius' defense limited the Bombers to a net 31 yards on the ground. The Wildcats, behind 215 yards rushing off 36 carries by tailback Jahadge "Bo" Floyd, totaled 269 rushing yards.

Jahadge opened the scoring with a 75-yard touchdown burst off a third-down-and-5 from the Wildcats' 25-yard line with 2 minutes and 33 seconds remaining in the first quarter. Kicker Matthew Trickett added the extra point for a 7-0 lead.










The Bombers quarterback Chase Wolf passed for 203 yards. Wolf was 19-for-43 with a TD pass, a 2-point conversion throw and one interception.

Saint Ignatius quarterback Danny Alexander passed for 97 yards, including a 31-yard touchdown strike to wide receiver Sammy Snyder that led to a 14-0 Wildcats lead early in the second quarter, and Danny rushed for 67 yards and scored on runs of 10 and 3 yards.

Linebacker Tommy Eichenberg's sack on Wolf resulted in a fumble recovery by defensive end Bradley Andrich. That play led to Alexander's 10-yard TD with 6:18 left in the third quarter and gave the Wildcats some breathing room after St. Xavier scored on a 21-yard touchdown pass from Wolf to receiver Andrew Wittrock late in the first half.

Eichenberg made a diving interception at the Bombers' 28. Three plays later, Alexander, went untouched into the end zone from 3 yards out. Trickett's PAT was good, and Saint Ignatius held a 28-6 lead with 5:54 remaining in the third quarter. The 'Cats turned the Bombers away after Wolf scored on a short TD run and added a 2-point conversion pass to senior Cameron Specht with 8:59 left to play.

COMPOSITE SCHEDULE

Opponent	Aug 24/25	Aug 31/Sept 1	Sept 7/8	Sept 14/15	Sept 21/22	Sept 28/29	Oct 5/6	Oct 12/13	Oct 19/20	Oct 26/27
Archbishop Hoban KNIGHTS		Cardinal Mooney CARDINALS W, 42-13	Huber Heights Wayne WARRIORS W, 47-28	Ursuline FIGHTING IRISH W, 56-28	St. Vincent-St. Mary FIGHTING IRISH W, 35-3	Benedictine BENGALS W, 42-14	Lake Catholic COUGARS W, 52-3	Padua BRUINS W, 63-8	Walsh Jesuit WARRIORS	Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin LIONS
Mentor CARDINALS	St. Edward EAGLES W, 42-39		Glenville TARBLOODERS W, 42-18	Strongsville MUSTANGS W, 45-20	Brunswick BLUE DEVILS W, 35-0	Medina BEES W, 49-10	Shaker Hts RED RAIDERS W, 45-6	Solon COMETS L, 28-29 (OT)	Euclid PANTHERS	Elyria PIONEERS
Euclid PANTHERS	Glenville TARBLOODERS W, 42-17	Lorain TITANS W, 42-21		Medina BEES W, 37-14	Elyria PIONEERS W, 55-0	Strongsville MUSTANGS W, 50-31	Solon COMETS W, 21-0	Brunswick BLUE DEVILS W, 42-7	Mentor CARDINALS	Shaker Hts RED RAIDERS
COF Academy IRONMEN	North Allegheny (PA) TIGERS L, 20-45	Huber Heights Wayne WARRIORS L, 6-42	Lima Senior SPARTANS L, 14-26		BYE	Detroit Catholic Central SHAMROCKS L, 14-35	Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice (MI) WARRIORS W, 14-13	Dayton Dunbar WOLVERINES L, 12-14	Christian Brothers (MO) CADETS	IMG Academy (FL)
Elder PANTHERS	Gahanna Lincoln GOLDEN LIONS W, 31-0	Indianapolis Cathedral (IN) FIGHTING IRISH W, 39-34	Clarkson FOOTBALL NORTH W, 21-13	St. Edward EAGLES L, 30-36		Cincinnati St. Xavier BOMBERS W, 51-26	Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller CRUSADERS L, 21-24	Winton Woods WARRIORS L, 10-28	St. John Vianney (MO) GRIFFINS	Cincinnati LaSalle LANCERS
Clarkson FOOTBALL NORTH	Archbishop Moeller CRUSADERS L, 14-27	BYE	Elder PANTHERS L, 13-21	Erie (PA) ROYALS W, 42-28	Lorain TITANS W, 38-28		St. Frances Academy (MD) PANTHERS L, 6-64	St. Xavier BOMBERS L, 19-38	Cheshire Academy (CT) CATS	vs. Erie Cathedral Prep (PA) RAMBLERS
West Toronto Prep SQUAD	Peters Township (PA) INDIANS L, 7-43	Pickerington Central TIGERS L, 6-56	Massillon Perry PANTHERS L, 0-35	Brentwood Academy (TN) EAGLES L, 7-48	BYE	Cardinal Mooney CARDINALS L, 6-52		vs. Erie (PA) Cathedral Prep RAMBLERS L, 13-49	Erie McDowell TROJANS	Dayton Dunbar WOLVERINES
Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller CRUSADERS	Clarkson FOOTBALL NORTH W, 27-14	Louisville Trinity (KY) SHAMROCKS W, 21-14	Scott County (KY) CARDINALS L, 7-10	Lexington Lafayette (KY) GENERALS W, 39-0	Cincinnati St. Xavier BOMBERS W, 19-14	Cincinnati LaSalle LANCERS W, 21-14 OT	Cincinnati Elder PANTHERS W, 24-21		St. Edward EAGLES	Winton Woods WARRIORS
Cincinnati St. Xavier BOMBERS	Lakota West FIREBIRDS W, 34-0	Cincinnati Colerain CARDINALS L, 12-14	Walnut Hills EAGLES W, 41-7	Indianapolis Cathedral (IN) FIGHTING IRISH L, 14-20 OT	Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller CRUSADERS L, 14-19	Cincinnati Elder PANTHERS L, 26-51	Cincinnati LaSalle LANCERS W, 42-7	Clarkson FOOTBALL NORTH W, 38-19		Louisville (KY) St. Xavier Tigers
St. Edward EAGLES	vs. Mentor CARDINALS L, 39-42	vs. Detroit Cass Tech (MI) TECHNICIANS L, 20-21	vs. Erie Cathedral Prep (PA) RAMBLERS W, 35-3	Cincinnati Elder PANTHERS W, 36-30	BYE	Buchtel GRIFFINS W, 42-7	Indianapolis Cathedral (IN) FIGHTING IRISH W, 39-14	St. Joseph FOOTBALL NORTH W, 38-7	Cincinnati Archbishop Moeller CRUSADERS	