

Highlanders return to stellar form with 42-7 defeat of Monterrey Tech

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Highlanders quarterback, Blaine Gillespie, had a big night Friday in the win over Monterrey Tech. Photo by Glenn Sattell.

SHENANDOAH, Texas - Blaine Gillespie threw two touchdown passes and ran for another in a 28-point second-quarter explosion as The Woodlands High School football team ran past Monterrey Tech 42-7 Friday at Woodforest Bank Stadium.

Gillespie threw for 360 yards, completing 22 of 28 passes with no interceptions in marching the Highlanders up and down the field. Gillespie threw a 62-yard touchdown pass to Houston Brown and tossed an 82-yard scoring strike to Tyler Patrick before scoring on a 1-yard run and the Highlanders enjoyed a 35-7 lead at halftime.

"It was good to respond back from last week's (63-10 loss to Katy)," Gillespie said. "It was a good all-around effort from the team for four quarters."

Running back Patrick Carr got the job done on the ground with 164 yards rushing and three touchdowns on 11 carries. Carr scored The Woodlands' first two touchdowns on short runs of 6 and 2 yards before closing the scoring with a 15-yard touchdown run.

Brown led all receivers with 125 yards on four catches. Chris Warren added 53 yards on seven receptions while Sean McCanna finished with 79 yards on five catches and Jayme Taylor added 59 yards on three catches.

"I was really proud with the way the kids came out," Highlanders head coach Mark Schmid said. "We had a really tough defeat against Katy. You always wonder how your kids are going to respond something like that. Our kids came to work this week and played like they should play in this game."

The Highlanders (2-2) set their sights on District 14-5A play. They'll take on Conroe at 7 p.m. Friday in Buddy Moorhead Stadium. "We're excited about it," Schmid said. "We've been up against some pretty good folks getting ready for district. I think our kids are prepared."

Schmid said that containing Conroe's skilled players would be key. "I saw them play against Aldine," he said. "They've got some great skilled players on offense. They can be explosive. It'll be a tall task for our defense to slow those guys down."

TWHS gets big victory

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SHENANDOAH — The Woodlands finished off its non-district schedule with an explosive performance, amassing more than 600 yards of offense in a 42-7 beatdown of Prepa Tec out of Monterrey, Mexico, at Woodforest Bank Stadium Friday night.

The Woodlands (3-1) scored 28 points in the second quarter to put the game out of reach, including long touchdown passes of 62 yards to Houston Brown and 82 yards to Tyler Patrick to put up a 35-7 lead at halftime.

Quarterback Blaine Gillespie overcome a rough performance in last week's historic loss to Katy to throw 22 for 28 for 360 yards and two touchdowns and rushing for another score in the victory.

Patrick Carr had an efficient game on the ground, running 164 yards on only 11 carries.

His final score came on a two-play possession midway through the third quarter which consisted of a 45-yard Carr run and a 15 yard Carr touchdown the following play.

The Highlanders held the Borregos (1-3) to only 187 total yards of offense despite 37 passing attempts, as well as giving up less than three yards per carry on the ground.

Houston Brown led the way with 125 yards receiving on four catches.