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# Weekly Warpath

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## Lakota West Whacked

I am going to let you in on a secret concerning team sports. It is easy to tell the makeup of a team by simply watching the reaction of teammates when one team member has success. Great teams have an investment and a love for one another. They are truly excited when one a “brother” (or sister) has success. They do not worry about individual stats or how many “touches” they get. They have one goal: To win the game as a TEAM.

That could not have been more on display than this past Friday, as your Indians ruined Lakota West’s HOCO with a team-driven 33-7 dismantling of a good Firebird squad. The true joy that they displayed watching their teammates have success was an awesome sight to see!

The GMC’s #1-ranked defense lived up to its billing by holding a physical, run-dominant Firebird offense to a mere 60 yards of offense and limited the league’s second-leading rusher to 6 yards on 16 attempts! The defensive line was once again DOMINANT. Seniors **Malachi Sanders** and **LJ France** along with junior **Brandon Smith** stifled West rushers to the tune of 34 carries for 14 yards! Junior LB **Omar Shteiwi** (2 sacks), senior LBs **Brandon Weinberg** (4 tackles) and **Dealo McIntosh** (7 tackles) were like Ninjas, coming out of nowhere with a ferocity unmatched. Senior DBs **Phil Thomas** and

**Nykel Bell** were Tasmanian Devil-like in their pursuit of everything in a black jersey. Unfortunately, senior co-captain, and unquestioned leader LB **Phoenix Porter** battled an injury, but junior LB **Ricky Ortega** and senior Do-It-All athlete **Jacob Sheriff** filled in capably, as the defense did not miss a beat!



The offense took a bit longer to get up to speed. Led by senior RB and co-captain **JuTahn McClain** (18 carries, 183 yds. 3 TDs), senior QB **Sawiaha Ellis** (1 TD) and electrifying junior WR **Jaydan Mayes** (4 carries, 77 yds., 1 receiving TD), the offense rushed for 300 yards and completely dominated the Firebirds in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half. Senior WRs **Caleb Sexton** and **DaShaun Simpkins** continue to impress with selfless attitudes. They catch passes, block their tails off and play extremely hard. The offensive line continues to improve, getting more physical game by game. They have truly been the unsung heroes of the GMC’s best offense.

Our Indians welcome Lakota East to Alumni Stadium this week as we hope to kick off HOCO19 weekend with a bang. Come join the TRIBE – the state’s best student section in – and party with our Indians Friday Night!

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