

Chieftains Blank Brookwood 34-0

In a game that was shortened because of the weather the Riverdale Chieftains picked up an impressive 34-0 win over non-conference foe Brookwood. It was Brookwood who had knocked the Chieftains out of the play-offs last year but tonight it would be all Riverdale as we rolled up 372-yards on offense and held the Falcons to just 30-yards. Coach Thompson "We played very well tonight and had great energy, it was fun to watch."

On another muggy evening the Chieftains would set the tone early. On the opening kick-off Keegan Franklin would drill the ball into the end forcing Brookwood to start at their own 20-yard line. The Chieftain defense would then force a quick three and out led by the intense play of junior defensive end Trevor Johnson. Now with the football the Chieftains would hit the Falcons with a big run as Jared Roen blasted through a huge hole created by the offensive line led by (Jordan Stanek, Trevor Johnson, Zach Swaziek, Jarred Schneider, and Casey Ekleberry) and raced for a big 45-yard gain. Three plays later Nolan Garoutte plowed in for the score and after Keegan hit the PAT it was 7-0. Coach Thompson "That was a great way to start as all three phases of the game came out and played extremely well."

On Brookwood's next possession the Chieftains continued to swarm led by the hard charging Ben Bloedow at tackle and a nice play by Michael Boyd in the secondary we forced another punt. On our next possession we quickly moved in for a score, sparked by a 23-yard pass completion from Tanner Williamson to Montana Lins. The drive was capped by a 9-yard TD run by Jared Roen as he followed a wall of blockers led by HB Max Hougan and huge block by SE Michael Boyd to power his way into the end zone. After Keegan hit the PAT it was 14-0.

The Chieftain defense continued to control the line of scrimmage through the rest of the first quarter as we held Brookwood to minus seven yards of rushing in the quarter. We would then put together a very impressive drive going 83-yards on 16-plays to add another score. On the drive FB Trevor Troxel would carry the ball eight times for 35-yards. Trevor would cap the drive with a 2-yard scoring plunge and after Keegan hit the PAT it was 21-0. Coach Thompson "That was a great drive, the backs ran hard and the offensive line did a great job opening some nice holes."

With everything rolling our way the weather forced a delay that lasted for well over an hour. The Chieftains would keep their focus and after the delay we would continue to be relentless. After the delay we would open on defense and after Brookwood picked up one first down we would go on to force a punt. We would then put together another long drive but would not get on the board as the clock ran out ending the first half.

In the third quarter we put the game away on our first possession. Faced with a third and five Jared Roen burst through a hole broke a couple of tackles and raced 48-yards for a Chieftain score. Keegan again hit the PAT and it was 28-0. Coach Thompson "Jared had a huge game as did the entire team!"

The Chieftain Specialty teams then got into the action as on the ensuing kick-off Jared delivered a big hit jarring the ball out but an inadvertent whistle caused us to kick over. The Chieftain defense would then go onto to force a turn over as pressure from Trevor Johnson on the Falcon QB would force a rushed pass in which Tanner Williamson would pick off. We would then quickly march to the Falcon one yard line but a fumble would halt the scoring chance. Again the defense would step up and eventually force a fumble which was recovered by Zach Swaziek. We would then go in for another score. Led by the nifty running of Tyrrel Anderson and another big Jared Roen run we pushed to the Falcon one-yard line. Jared then would slip into the end zone for the TD run. Keegan's PAT was blocked but the score was now 34-0 midway through the third.

The weather would then take over has heavy rains and lightning would force another delay. It was at this time the decision was made to call the game and we had a nice 34-0 win. Coach Thompson "The kids played extremely well in all three phases of the football game. Brookwood has a strong program and were at Level III of the play-offs last year so this should give us a big boost. We now have to focus our attention on the conference season and Fennimore."

The Chieftains are now 2-0 on the season and have a huge home game against Fennimore next Friday night. The Golden Eagles have been tough on us for the past few years and we will need another great effort to stay with the Golden Eagles. Fennimore will be extremely fast and should have a strong defense. Last year we jumped out to a 14-0 lead only to see it slip away in a 28-14 loss.

Stats

	Riverdale	Brookwood
First Downs	14	1
Passing C/ATT	3-6	1-5
Passing YDS	38	7
Rushing ATT	48	12
Rushing YDS	334	23
Total YDS	372	30

Individual Stats

Passing: Tanner Williamson 3-6-38 YDS

Receiving: Montana Lins 3-38 YDS

Rushing:

Jared Roen 15-192 YDS 3-TD

Nolan Garouttee 10-42 YDS 1-TD

Tyrrel Anderson 6-37 YDS

Tanner Williamson 6-14YDS

Trevor Troxel 11-49 YDS 1-TD

Defensive Stats:

Jared Roen 6 tackles 1TFL and 1 force fumble

Zach Swaziek: 1 fumble recovery

Kyle Peterson: 1 fumble recovery

Tanner Williamson: 1 interception