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## JV FOOTBALL

### No-frills approach works for JV Jackets

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If you've watched Carver's junior varsity in recent weeks, then you know that there's no question about the team's football identity.

Some might call it "old school." Others might refer to it as "smash-mouth."

Or, the proverbial "three yards and a cloud of dust."

Regardless of what label you might attach to the Yellowjackets' style of play, there's no denying that it's effective. After losing by five touchdowns to powerhouse Greensboro Dudley in the season opener (36-6) three weeks ago, resilient Carver bounced back with victories over Mount Tabor and Parkland.

The Yellowjackets rely on their stingy defense, which has allowed a total of 12 points over the past two weeks. The emerging ringleaders of the stop unit are linebackers Jeremy Brown-Middleton and Tarja Cornell.

When it comes to offense, there's nothing complicated about Coach Alonzo Winfield's scheme. No flea-flicker pass plays. No double-reverses. No gadget plays of any kind. The no-frills approach is all about controlling the tempo and pounding opponents with a bruising ground game.



Tyrek Thompson (6-feet, 1, 300 pounds), along with Treyvez George and Dequantas Wilson, are the movers and shakers on the offensive line who clear the way for the rushing attack to flourish. T.J. Boyce, Carver's featured running back, is the chief beneficiary. "Our philosophy is very basic," said Winfield. "Play exceptional defense, limit turnovers and run the



T.J. Boyce (5) is the featured back in Carver's ground-and-pound rushing attack.

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### Reagan JV edges North Forsyth for first win of season



Photo by Craig T. Greenlee

Grant Carter of Reagan runs for a first down in the final minutes of the game to seal the victory for his team.

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Reagan finally got the breakthrough it had been seeking in jayvee football. After two previously unsuccessful attempts, the visiting Raiders finally came out on top with a 21-18 victory over North Forsyth last Thursday.

Grant Carter, a running back who's been converted to quarterback, delivered the bulk of the offense for Reagan. Carter scored twice to lead the way. The Raiders added what proved to be the final margin of victory when the defense scored on a

Vikings fumble near the end of the first half.

"This was a great team win," said Coach Willie Quick of Reagan, whose team is 1-2. "Our people played like they wanted it more. We'll be in good shape as long as they continue to buy into the system and remain coachable."

Initially, this game had all the makings of a shoot-out. The contest was never tied, but there were five lead changes - all in the first half.

The Raiders put together a 60-yard scoring drive midway through the first

quarter. Carter scored on a quarterback sneak and Alex Stasinski kicked the extra point for a 7-0 lead.

The tenor of the game changed later in the quarter when North Forsyth recovered a fumble on the Raiders' one-yard line. Two plays later, quarterback Ronald Jackson scored on short plunge and then ran for the PAT to put his team in front, 8-7.

The Vikings lead lasted all of 14 seconds. On the ensuing kickoff, Carter started up the middle, then found a seam on the left side and ran 72 yards for a touchdown.

Reagan regained the lead at 13-8, but not for long.

North Forsyth responded with a quick-strike drive at about the eight-minute mark of the second quarter. Jackson completed passes to Mizell Hall (27 yards) and Chandler Miller (20 yards) to put the ball on Reagan's 4-yard line. On the next play, Khalil Baker scored on a run off right tackle, Jackson ran for the PAT and the Vikings went back on top, 16-13.

Reagan regained the lead for good late

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### East Forsyth looking to regroup after loss

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The strength of East Forsyth's junior varsity is its high-octane offense. The Eagles have no problems putting points on the scoreboard. So far, they're averaging 34.5 points per game.

Defensively, it's been a mixed bag.

East Forsyth held steady in beating Reynolds 36-12 in the season opener two weeks ago. But the end result was very different in a 41-33 loss to West Forsyth last week.

"There are some areas we have to get

straightened out," said Coach Ron Horton of East Forsyth, whose team is now 1-1. "Against West Forsyth, we didn't take advantage of all the opportunities we had on offense. Our defense was in position to make plays, but didn't."

"We just couldn't come up with stops when we really needed to - especially against the run. I give West Forsyth the credit. They made more plays than we did. But I'm confident that we'll show improvement over the course of the season."

Linebackers Jomaad Cater and Nathan Dupke are the key figures on a defense that

figures to raise its level of play as they get more playing time as a unit.



Howell and Jesse Ross have played well

up front during the early weeks of the season.

At the skill positions, East Forsyth is in good shape. Brandon Bullins and Jordan Barrett showed signs of emerging as a lethal pass-and-catch combination against the Titans. Bullins threw a pair of scoring passes of 50 and 40 yards to Barrett.

Jaelon Maxie and Christian Grubbs, who rushed for one touchdown apiece, could rank among the area's most productive running back tandems by season's end.

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