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## Lexington boys JV soccer team blanks Atkins

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With only 12 players on the roster, the Atkins boys JV soccer team stepped onto the field somewhat shorthanded. Having only one substitute, fatigue played a major role in last week's matchup with Lexington High. The Camels were defeated 5-0 by the Yellow Jackets in last Monday night's game.

The Yellow Jackets came out aggressively in the first half, controlling the ball and putting constant pressure on Atkins goalkeeper, Calvin Ackerman. Lexington had

a number of chances to put the ball in the net early in the first half, but Ackerman made a number of clutch saves which bailed out the Camel defensemen.

Lexington was able to capitalize on their dominating ball control when striker Norburto Hurtada scored the first goal of the game with 22:47 left in the first half of play. Following the goal, Lexington continued to apply pressure to the Atkins defense. Ackerman continued to play well by stopping a number of shots late in the half.

The Camels were not able to combat the pressure put on by the Yellow

Jackets with any attack of their own. Atkins forwards, Hunter Hudson and Josh Nava, attempted to push the ball every opportunity they had possession, but were quickly stymied by the Lexington defensemen.

Atkins head coach felt his team played well and with all freshman on his team, he knows they will have time to gel and grow as a team.

"I think we did well and we have exactly 12 kids on the team, but they played hard," said Atkins head coach Rufus Crouch. "I



Photo by Timothy Ramsey

The Lexington player looks to clear the ball from the sideline during the game against Atkins.

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## West Forsyth's running game propels win over High Point Central



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West Forsyth running back Kendall Williams, 6 in black, ran for three touchdowns against High Point Central in last Thursday's game.

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Last Thursday's JV clash between West Forsyth and High Point Central had the makings of a close battle of competitive teams early on. The Bison scored a touchdown following an early turnover by the Titans and were driving for another score when they were intercepted by James Gordon, who returned it for a touchdown and tied the game 8-8 after the conversion. West never looked back after that point and rode run-

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ning back Kendall Williams to a 31-16 victory.

High Point Central looked to take control early in the first quarter by converting a muffed punt into a touchdown. They then forced the Titans into a quick three and out and were moving the ball down the field before all their momentum was stopped by the interception by Gordon.

Feeding off of the big defensive play, West settled down on defense, giving their offense time to get into gear.

From that point forward, the Titans



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West Forsyth quarterback Shane Jarvis, 2 in white, running for big yardage against High Point Central.

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## Parkland hopes to reverse fortunes this time

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When Parkland matched up with West Forsyth earlier this season, they came into the week thinking they were going to be playing Carver High. Late in the week, they received the news that they would be taking on West Forsyth. For that matchup they were missing a few players due to lack of practice time, along with sta-

running back Zyheir Dillard, who was out with an ankle injury.

That was the lone defeat for Parkland thus far this season and they were shut out by the Titans 27-0. The mustangs are looking to avenge the loss and head coach Brendan Atwater thinks this result will be different than the first.

"This time our guys will be prepared. They saw the 60 or 70 kids that they (West Forsyth) brought out and we were thinking in



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Parkland JV head coach, Brendan Atwater, drills during practice in preparation for the rematch against West Forsyth.

our head we were gonna get the small team in Carver, but instead we got them," Atwater said.

Atwater said he is pleased by the way his team has gelled thus far this season. He says that was not the case when he came a few years back. He said he is most impressed with the progress his team has made off the field in the classroom.

Going into today's game, West Forsyth head coach Jared Eure said he

wants his team to improve on their ball control. He said if they are able to control the ball, that will increase their chances of winning. Eure said he also wants the team to watch out for turnovers and make improvements along the offensive and defensive lines.

Atwater says his team's best attribute is they like to have fun above all else and their team speed is a big

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