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Carver running back Nelson English, No. 6 in black, gains positive yardage against the Sauras defense.

### Carver

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was halted by penalties and they were forced to punt. With a little over two minutes left in the half, South Stokes went on the attack once again. Aided by more Carver penalties, South Stokes scored another touchdown to take a 21-0 lead at the half.

South Stokes varsity head coach Paul Hall says he was proud of his kids and both teams fought hard during the game.

"We knew Carver was kind of slim in numbers, so they have a lot of kids playing both ways and we jumped on them early but they fought right back," said Hall. "It was a good football game and I'm just proud of these kids. We are excited about the future."

"We are a Wing-T team and the kids have bought into it and at times it's tough to defend. The kids worked hard all off-season and during practice, so I think it looks good for the future of being a solid football team, too," said Hall of his team's running game.

It was a tale of two halves for the Yellowjackets as they came out of the locker room and scored on their first drive. Chissar Brooks broke a 50-yard run into

the end zone to put Carver on the board. The Sauras quickly answered on their next drive to put them back up by three scores.

Undeterred by the score, the Yellowjackets took the ball right back down the field and scored another touchdown. At the start of the fourth quarter, Carver needed to make a stop on defense to give their offense an opportunity to bring the score closer. Unfortunately for the Yellowjackets, the Sauras scored another touchdown, this time through the air.

Carver fought hard to the bitter end and was able to put up a late touchdown when Maurice Reid ran it in from four yards out to make the final score 34-20.

Carver head coach Walter Black says this year has been a learning experience and his team has to play better when they step out on the field.

"If we could erase all the mistakes we made in the first half, the second half was almost an even game," said Black. "We've got to be able to stop some people, and I was happy we were able to move the ball in the second half running the ball. They were a very good team that came well prepared, well motivated, and they came at us."



Carver wide receiver Xavier Gaddy reaches for the football against the South Stokes defensive back.



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Jaquan Albright dives into the end zone for one of his many scores on the season.

### Mt. Tabor

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hands when a play needed to be made. Following their rematch against Reagan, he said his team expects to win every game because of the way his team prepares during the week.

"Throughout the season I just told the guys to stay together as a unit," Muse said. "We had our plays down in practice and we rep and we rep and we rep and I just wanted us to stay as a unit. At Mt. Tabor we have expectations and we play to win."

The clash between the Spartans and Reynolds was hyped to be a great matchup between two undefeated teams. Unfortunately, the game was out of reach after the first quarter. Mt. Tabor went on to win by the score of 49-0.

The following week the Spartans had their toughest test of the season as they faced off against another undefeated team, this time it was the Titans of West Forsyth. The game was a back and forth battle between the two teams. West Forsyth looked to have the game in hand but fumbled and the ball was recovered by a Spartan defender who ran it all the way back for the winning score as time expired.

To have an undefeated season, you need some balls to bounce your way figuratively and literally and that's exactly what the Spartans got.

They ended the season with two more blowout games against Parkland and Davie County to secure the undefeated season.

This year was a magical one for the Spartans and coach Lovelace, one they will remember for a lifetime.



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Panthers running back Zion Thompson tries to break free from the Bills' defenders.

### Champs fall

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To start the fourth quarter the Panthers finally got on track offensively when Marcus Aikens Jr. broke multiple tackles and outran the defense for a 70-yard touchdown. The Panthers did not make the conversion and still trailed 7-6.

Now having the momentum, the Panthers stopped the next drive from the Bills and were moving

into their territory when they fumbled the quarterback to running back exchanged and the Bills recovered. On the very next play, Bills running back Reginald Holt broke free for a touchdown run that made the score 13-6.

The Panthers received the ball with 42 seconds left in the game. Quarterback Jacob Smith was inserted because of his passing ability and he was able to move the ball inside the red zone with the help

of a late hit penalty on the Bills. With one second left on the clock Smith threw the ball to DeMarlo Linville, who jumped and initially caught the pass but as he went to the ground the ball squirted out. It was first ruled a touchdown but after a referee huddle they ruled it incomplete.

It was a touch loss for the Panthers but they have been invited to Florida for the national tournament on Dec. 3-8.