

County Football Week 6

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Standings

CLEVELAND WEST CONFERENCE				
School	W	L	T	PF
Black River	2-3	2-0	0	30-4
Lakewood	4-1	1-1	0	28-0
Westlake	2-3	1-1	0	28-0
Buckeye	1-4	1-1	0	22-0
Valley Forge	0-5	0-2	0	42-37
Normandy	0-5	0-2	0	15-28

GREATER CLEVELAND CONFERENCE				
School	W	L	T	PF
Stow	4-1	0-0	0	34-8
Strongsville	3-2	0-0	0	30-4
Brunswick	3-2	1-1	0	29-4
Wadsworth	2-3	1-1	0	23-0
Lakewood	1-4	1-1	0	23-27
Cleveland Heights	1-4	1-1	0	15-8
Shaker Heights	1-4	0-2	0	13-24
Lorain	0-5	0-2	0	24-46

LORAIN COUNTY LEAGUE				
School	W	L	T	PF
Columbia	5-0	0-0	0	42-11
Keystone	4-0	1-0	0	30-0
Finlandia	3-1	1-0	0	23-0
Black River	1-4	1-1	0	18-8
Clearview	1-4	1-1	0	13-27
Wickliffe	0-5	0-2	0	15-33
Brookside	0-5	0-2	0	34-56

METRO ATHLETIC CONFERENCE				
School	W	L	T	PF
Cleveland	5-0	0-0	0	42-11
Streetsboro	4-1	0-0	0	32-0
Stow	4-1	0-0	0	32-0
Wadsworth	3-2	1-1	0	23-0
North	1-4	1-1	0	13-27
Field	1-4	1-1	0	13-27
Roswell	2-3	0-2	0	21-8
Southwest	2-3	0-2	0	21-8
Springfield	0-5	0-2	0	24-34

SUBURBAN LEAGUE				
School	W	L	T	PF
Wadsworth	5-0	0-0	0	32-0
Highland	4-1	0-0	0	31-0
North	4-1	0-0	0	31-0
Hudson	4-1	0-0	0	31-0
Solon	3-2	1-1	0	18-22
Medina	1-4	1-1	0	20-32
North Royalton	2-3	0-2	0	18-22
Stow	2-3	0-2	0	24-28

COUNTY LEADERS				
Player (School)	W	L	T	PF
Valley Forge	9	0	0	54
D. Streichenko (Stow)	7	0	0	42
King (W)	7	0	0	42
Phillips (Buc)	5	0	0	36
Foust (H)	5	0	0	36
Sokolowski (M)	6	0	0	36
Kozak (H)	5	0	0	36
Gambro (Buc)	5	0	0	36
Tolley (C)	5	0	0	36
Price (C)	5	0	0	36

RUSHING				
Player (School)	W	L	T	PF
Phillips (Buc)	125	72	5.4	5
D. Streichenko (Stow)	125	72	5.4	5
Price (C)	52	364	7.0	9
Hendershot (BR)	60	232	4.7	1
Yarny (BR)	23	144	16.1	1
Foust (H)	31	210	8.8	4
Halter (W)	37	129	5.4	2
As. Gray (C)	36	141	7.5	1
Smith (C)	24	181	7.5	1
Sopko (Buc)	24	171	3.3	1
Black (Buc)	22	171	3.3	1

RECEIVING				
Player (School)	W	L	T	PF
Gambro (Buc)	33	517	15.7	3
King (W)	30	163	7	7
Sokolowski (M)	24	369	10.9	4
Ever (Buc)	22	141	16.1	1
Tolley (C)	19	338	17.8	5
Radigan (H)	11	300	27.3	3
Yarny (BR)	22	129	5.9	2
Kozak (H)	26	257	9.9	1
Burch (M)	18	229	11.2	2
Obenew (H)	20	224	11.2	2

PASSING				
Player (School)	W	L	T	PF
Johnson (Buc)	95-127	358	1,325	12-6
Hall (W)	100-145	428	1,322	14-7
Barr (M)	80-130	615	772	4-3
Bull (BR)	61-101	404	484	4
Wacki (H)	39-43	214	638	6
Patric (M)	44-85	212	484	6
Smith (C)	32-57	267	183	3
Price (C)	19-38	612	201	2-1
Pruski (H)	19-30	103	17	3
Geyer (Buc)	13-23	365	124	1-3

KICKING				
Player (School)	W	L	T	PF
Kozak (H)	5	823	18	22
Butterfield (C)	2-3	680	16-18	22
Foust (H)	2-3	687	15-17	21
Wagner (W)	1-1	1	1	18
Brinkner (BR)	0-1	680	8-13	8
Casick (M)	0-1	680	8-13	8
Whitson (Buc)	0-1	680	8-13	8
Pruski (H)	1-2	500	6-10	6
Nacker (W)	0-1	680	8-13	8
Swann (H)	0-0	680	1-1	1

TEAM STATISTICS				
School	W	L	T	PF
Wadsworth	131-0	208-6	399-6	
Cleveland	276-6	123-0	352-0	
Brunswick	83-4	296-8	350-0	
Buckeye	305-7	25-2	330-4	
Medina	88-0	248-0	315-0	
Highland	125-8	178-2	304-0	
Black River	115-6	158-2	273-8	

DEFENSE				
Player (School)	W	L	T	PF
Foust (H)	47	12	38	
Hendershot (BR)	47	12	38	
Colin (M)	45	23	29	
Ad. Gray (C)	45	16	29	
Rebecca (Buc)	45	16	29	
Prosser (M)	35	14	21	
As. Gray (C)	35	14	21	
D. Streichenko (Stow)	33	14	19	
Cowings (M)	32	4	28	
M. Hilvert (M)	30	10	15	
Phillips (Buc)	30	10	15	
I. Hillier (BR)	29	14	15	
Sokolowski (M)	29	14	15	
Terry (W)	29	14	15	

Tackles for loss				
Player (School)	W	L	T	PF
Powell (M)	7	2	0	9
Baker (C)	6	1	0	7
Kirner (W)	5	0	0	6
Johnson (C)	4	1	0	5
Johnson (C)	4	1	0	5
Johnson (C)	4	1	0	5
Johnson (C)	4	1	0	5
Johnson (C)	4	1	0	5
Johnson (C)	4	1	0	5
Johnson (C)	4	1	0	5



Black River

PREVIEW: The most electric back in the Lorain County League will be in town tonight, as Keystone's Wyatt McKee has 797 rushing yards and 12 touchdowns on a mere 51 carries for an eye-popping 15.6 average. McKee, who had 155 yards and three TDs on just four carries in a win over Brookside last week, also has nine catches for 207 yards and a score. Colt Cowling has thrown for 1,139 yards and 12 touchdowns.

● The last four Black River-Keystone games have been decided by seven, 14, seven and six points.

STAT PACK: Kayden Hendershot (282 rushing yards) and Hunter Varney (244) rank fourth and fifth in Medina County in rushing.

● Kaleb Owen led the defense last week at Columbia with four tackles that included 1½ for loss in the fourth quarter. Trenton Desky also had four tackles, while Hunter Varney had a ½ TFL.

● Kamron Teets had his first career reception, a screen that covered 6 yards, at Columbia.

● The Pirates committed only two penalties for 5 yards last week.

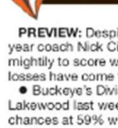
● They have the fewest penalty yards in the county this season with 193.

● The 441 rushing yards allowed last week were Black River's most since 449 against Finlandia on Oct. 23, 2015.

● Black River converted only 1-of-8 third downs at Columbia to make it 11-of-48 on the season.

LW: L, 14-49 at Columbia. **TW:** vs. Keystone (4-0, 1-0; 26-24 all time).

NW: vs. Finlandia (3-2, 1-0).



Buckeye

PREVIEW: Despite switching from the wing-T to a modern spread offense under first-year coach Nick Ciulli, who came over from North Royalton, Valley Forge is struggling mightily to score with a Cleveland West Conference-worst 4.2 average. The Patriots' five losses have come to teams with a combined 18-7 record.

● Buckeye's Division IV, Region 14 playoff odds took a hit with the upset loss to Lakewood last week, but the Bucks remain in decent shape. Fantastico50.net lists their chances at 59% with four wins and 99% with five. They'll need to win out to have realistic odds at a first-round home game, however.

● The Bucks have won 17 of their last 22 home games.

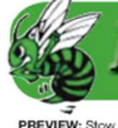
STAT PACK: Buckeye had 17 plays for 61 yards in the first half last week at Lakewood but 30 for 245 in the second. Denis Shevchenko had 13 carries for 149 yards over the final 24 minutes.

● Tony Kobasnik led the defense last week at Lakewood with 10 tackles and a forced fumble that flew high into the air before falling at the feet of Colton Homchik. Shevchenko added nine tackles, while Ryan Lino had six in his first extended time at tackle. Nick Proza and Andrew Lazar broke up passes. The Bucks did not record a tackle for loss and allowed the Rangers to convert 7-of-10 third downs.

● The kickoff coverage team had its best effort of the season, as the Rangers' average starting field position was the 26.3-yard line.

LW: L, 21-28 at Lakewood. **TW:** at vs. Valley Forge (0-5, 0-2; 6-1 all time).

NW: at Normandy (0-5, 0-2).



Highland

PREVIEW: Stow is having an offensive resurgence under first-year coach Dan Larham, averaging 34.8 points with an offense similar to Highland's. Gideon Larham is a dual-threat quarterback, while Israel Purkiss had 173 rushing yards at Medina.

● The only meeting between Stow and Highland was Sept. 11, 2020, when the Bulldogs took a 31-7 decision. That season was heavily impacted by COVID-19, as the Suburban League elected to have modified conferences with no official champions.

● Highland won its 27th consecutive road game last week at Medina, the longest active streak in the state behind Maria Stein Marion Local (32).

● Fantastico50.net ranks Highland's schedule as the seventh toughest in Division II.

STAT PACK: Jonah Kowza's 48-yard field goal last week at Medina is tied for Eric Duale's 50-yarder at Green on Sept. 26, 2008.

● Isaac Demming led the defense at Medina with 2½ sacks. Lukas Grillo added two sacks. Evan Foust recorded seven tackles. Brady Myser had a tackle for loss that resulted in a safety and Jake Weber broke up a pass in the end zone. Highland officially finished with 11 pass breakups.

● Demming has 15 tackles (3½ sacks) over the last two games.

● Smith Stott scored his first career touchdown and Grayson Swann made his first extra point attempt at Medina.

LW: W, 47-0 at Medina. **TW:** at Stow (2-3, 0-2; 0-1 all time). **NW:** at North Royalton (3-2, 0-2).



Wadsworth

PREVIEW: While the Bees won six straight against Wadsworth from 2019-23, including twice in the Division I playoffs, the Grizzlies have won the last two meetings by a combined 98-7 score.

● Wadsworth is seeking a third straight 6-0 start for the first time in school history. The Grizzlies were 5-0 from 1999-2001 and 1972-74.

● Wadsworth has scored 10 points in 49 consecutive games, the eighth-longest active streak in Ohio.

STAT PACK: Bryson Bupp led the defense at North Royalton with 2½ tackles for loss (2 sacks) among seven total stops. Luke Kinser also had two sacks. Carter Raymond and Kareem Alnajjar had one apiece and Braydon Todd and Nathan Shipley forced fumbles.

● Right tackle Raymond had a pancake block 20 yards downfield on Todd's 47-yard touchdown run.

● Wadsworth has not lost a fumble in four consecutive games.

● The Grizzlies have outscored opponents 69-14 in first quarters this season. Medina has been outscored 62-20 in the first quarter.

● Twelve players have scored this season, with Donny Bettis Jr. and Kyle Schmetzler joining the club at North Royalton.

● Bryson Hall needs 70 passing yards to reach 5,000 in his career.

LW: W, 38-0 at North Royalton. **TW:** vs. Medina (1-4, 0-2; 43-34 all time).

NW: vs. at Stow (2-3, 0-2).



Brunswick

PREVIEW: Lorain is allowing a Greater Cleveland Conference-worst 44.6 points per game but has a decent offense that is putting up 24.0 points. Quarterback Leonard McCall carries the load, boasting 667 passing yards and 201 rushing yards, while receiver Tyler Chapman has 312 receiving yards and five touchdowns.

STAT PACK: The Blue Devils are averaging 350.0 yards per game, on pace to be their highest since 2014 (368.8).

● With 307 passing yards last week against Shaker Heights, Connor Jamison joined Sean Bedevetsky (3, 2007) as the only players in school history with multiple 300-yard games in a season.

● Carter Wickes led the defense vs. Shaker Heights with 3½ tackles for loss. Drew Dempsey (2 TFL), Ajay Rebraca (1½) and Mason Morris (sack) also stood out, while Ben Helman broke up a pass in the end zone with a big hit.

● Anthony Gamboa has overtaken Wadsworth's Jaylen King for the Medina County receiving lead with 517 yards. Gamboa had 190 last week, including an 81-yard score from Connor Jamison that is tied for the third-longest reception in school history.

● Freshmen Mason Hildebrand (RB) and Maxx Elcher (WR) saw extensive action together against Shaker Heights. Hildebrand had 13 carries for 19 yards and added a 51-yard punt, while Elcher caught five passes for 40 yards.

LW: W, 31-14 vs. Shaker Heights. **TW:** at Lorain (1-4, 0-2; 2-0 all time). **NW:** at Euclid (2-3, 1-1).



Colts Cloverleaf

PREVIEW: Streetsboro has fewer than 30 players on its roster but boasts the Metro Athletic Conference's best rushing attack that features a variety of power reads, jet sweeps and counters. Colton Cox is the trigger man with 47 carries for 376 yards to go with 569 passing yards, while Logan Fincham is a workhorse with 128 carries, 761 yards and 12 touchdowns.

● Cloverleaf is the only Medina County school to play Streetsboro all time. The Colts have lost the last three meetings by an average score of 49.0-9.7.

● The game tonight will be televised live on WEOL.com.

STAT PACK: Cloverleaf broke the school record for fewest yards allowed in a game when Springfield recorded minus-5 last week. The previous standard was 17 against Highland on Oct. 15, 1965.

● The Colts posted 485 yards total offense at Springfield, their most since 528 against Brookside on Aug. 30, 2019.

● Brayden Beier led the defense at Springfield with two sacks and two pass breakups. Aiden Gilbert and Adam Gray also had two tackles for loss, while Landon Petruska recovered a fumble on a kickoff.

● James Gray also started with three tackles on kickoff coverage.

● Jimmy Tolley needs four receiving touchdowns to break the school career record of 14 shared by Robby Buckwald (2010-12) and Lance Hanson (1990-92).

● Isaac Smith capped his career passing touchdown total to 23, placing him behind only current coach Justin Vorhies (53, 1998-2000) and Garlison Fiora (25, 2011-14) in school history.

LW: W, 64-0 at Springfield. **TW:** at Streetsboro (4-1, 2-0; 3-8 all time). **NW:** vs. Field (2-3, 1-1).



Medina

PREVIEW:</