

Hoban's defense will be tested again by potent and perfect Central York: Week 9 football games to watch south of Cleveland

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[Brayton Feister flips slugfest for Hoban vs. Glenville](#)

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CLEVELAND, Ohio — Archbishop Hoban's defense is [growing up fast](#), but one of Pennsylvania's most potent offenses arrives Friday night in Akron to provide another test for the Knights.

Central York is undefeated and has scored at least 50 points in its last five games, all league victories.

Hoban (6-1), which is ranked fourth in this week's cleveland.com high school football Top 25, welcomes the Panthers to Dowd Field after visiting them last year in Central Pennsylvania and leaving with a 41-7 win.

The school is Class 6A, which is the equivalent to Division I in Ohio, and has produced talents such as Missouri quarterback Beau Pribula. The Panthers have another Division I prospect at quarterback in Brooklyn Nace, who is committed to Old Dominion. Nace has completed 77% of his passes for 1,920 yards and 25 TDs. He has not thrown an interception all season, which Hoban will try to change with a secondary that has been its most improved area since the start of the season.

"We have a lot of young DBs that have stepped up in big-time positions," junior linebacker Brayton Feister said after last week's 12-9 win vs. Glenville. "They're getting in the right coverages. They're talking, they're chirping. They're finally being loud, and I love it."

They have come up with three interceptions in their last two games against the Tarblooders and No. 5 Walsh Jesuit, as junior Jaiden Daniels had two of them and sophomore Carlos Gordon provided one last week in a secondary led by USC commit Elbert "Rock" Hill IV.

Feister, [who is playing double duty](#), rushed for 176 yards with the winning touchdown last week. He also has led a run defense that will focus on Central York junior Legend Johnson, who rushed for 167 yards and three TDs on just eight carries in the Panthers' 56-18 win last week against Red Lion. The junior has 786 yards and 14 touchdowns on the season.

For Central, this game marks a break in their league schedule before a potential title game next week against rival York High. Hoban, which sits atop the Region 5 playoff ratings in Division II, has one more showdown looming next week with St. Edward (7-1).

Before then, here are the games to watch in Week 9 south of Cleveland on the way to Akron and Canton. All are scheduled for 7 p.m. Friday, unless noted:

High school football: Hoban vs. Glenville, October 10, 2025

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No. 8 Highland (8-0) at Revere (6-1)

Revere could force a three-way tie atop the Suburban League's American Conference with an upset of defending champion Highland.

The Minutemen have won three straight games since their only league loss, a 14-0 shutout at Aurora. They got 155 yards rushing and three TDs last week from senior captain James Perry in a 38-21 win against Barberton. The Magics were coming off a forfeit against Highland, which showed no signs of rust last week in its return to the field with a 58-7 rout of Kent Roosevelt.

Casey Myser scored five TDs in the win for Highland, which also got 113 yards passing and 89 yards rushing from senior quarterback Grady Gibb. Myser rushed for 125 yards, keeping Highland in the top three of the Division II, Region 6 playoff standings.

Revere, which is fourth in Region 10 for Division III, plays host next week to Copley (6-2), which also has just one Suburban League loss.

Nordonia (6-2) at No. 13 Hudson (6-2)

While Wadsworth is in firm control of the Suburban League's National Conference, coming off convincing victories against both Nordonia and Hudson, these two are looking to strengthen their bids for first-round home games in Division II, Region 5.

Nordonia is still fifth in the region, despite two losses in the last three weeks. Hudson is sixth after a 27-0 win last week against Brecksville-Broadview Heights to bounce back from its loss to

the Grizzlies. Junior quarterback Hayden Lipinski threw for 143 yards on 13-of-8 passing last week to pace the Explorers.

The Knights, though, have the Suburban League's leading passer in junior Steven Fakult. He has 2,158 yards and 18 TDs.

East (6-2) at Buchtel (3-5), noon Saturday

Akron's City Series championship should be decided at Buchtel, where the Griffins have won three straight — all in league play — ahead of their showdown with the Dragons, who have won four straight games.

Both teams are 3-0 in City Series play. East is 11th in Division III, Region 9. Buchtel is 13th in Division IV, Region 13.

FULL WEEK 9 SCHEDULE

(All times are 7 p.m., unless noted.)