

Akron-area OHSAA Week 10 breakdowns, predictions in Ohio high school football

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It's [Week 10](#) of the Ohio [high school football](#) season, with 21 games featuring [Greater Akron](#) teams, as the start of the [state playoffs](#) approach.

Four area teams — [Highland](#), [Wadsworth](#), [CVCA](#) and [Norton](#) — are looking to wrap up undefeated regular seasons, and many of the rest are jockeying for playoff positioning.

The action starts with 19 games Friday, Oct. 24, and concludes with two City Series games Saturday, Oct. 25.

Keep reading to see who the Beacon Journal staff thinks will prevail in all of the [Week 10 games](#) this weekend. All games kick off at 7 p.m. unless noted.

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Friday's high school football games in Greater Akron

[Garfield \(4-4, 2-2\)](#) vs. [East \(7-2, 4-0\)](#), at Ellet

- **What to know:** East seeks a win to clinch a spot in the Division III, Region 9 playoffs. ... East is also trying to win the City Series outright championship after earning at least a share with a 12-8 win over Buchtel on Oct. 18. ... The Dragons scored 12 points in the final nine minutes of the fourth quarter to top the Griffins. DB Tarrell Robinson stripped the ball away from a Buchtel running back and ran 65 yards for a touchdown and QB Marlin Engram Jr. threw a 14-yard TD pass to WR Emmanuel Jefferson. ... East's Lawrence Cherry Jr. and Terrel Karim Jr. also forced a fumble against Buchtel, and Anthony Felding

III and Sean Echols recovered a fumble. Karim and Marcus Henderson II added sacks. Cherry also ran for 86 yards on 13 carries. "It was a gritty game, but you wouldn't expect anything less with an East-Buchtel game," East coach Marques Hayes said. "It has been like that for the past decade. ... We were able to make some plays at the end of the game."... WR-DB Donte Swain Jr. and WR-DB Terrell Wharton Jr. are two other dynamic playmakers for East. ... Garfield QB Darius Sales ran for a 1-yard touchdown in a 13-6 loss to Ellet on Oct. 18 and DB-WR Ziiyahn Blair recorded an interception. ... Garfield coach Kemp Boyd said OL Rico Stamps is a leader on a young offensive group. ... The Golden Rams' top defenders are DL-OL Corey Williams, LB-RB Ayden Sipe, DB-WR Kemonte Harrison, DL-WR Reggie Edwards, DL-TE Jamir Jenkins and DL Santura Foreman. ... "Our goal is to win and get into the [Division II, Region 5] playoffs," Boyd said. "We would love to have two Akron Public Schools football teams in the playoffs. We still have a lot to play for." ... The City Series had three playoff teams last season (Firestone, East and Buchtel).

Who will win: East 21-14

Trotwood-Madison (6-2) at [Walsh Jesuit \(7-1\)](#)

What to know: Walsh Jesuit will look to solidify its place in the Division II, Region 5 playoff race with a win. The Warriors are fifth in the Region 5 standings and will look to secure a first-round bye if they can finish in the top four. ... Walsh comes off a decisive 51-7 win over rival St. Vincent-St. Mary in Week 9. In the battle for the Victory Bell, QB David Ternosky was 11-of-16 passing for 127 yards and TDs to Cambell Lann, Kian McHugh and Vinnie Cortad. RB Carlos Smith added 107 yards and three TDs on just eight carries. ... Trotwood-Madison is perennial power out of the Dayton area. The Rams are third in the Division II, Region 8 standings. ... Trotwood-Madison comes in off a bye week in Week 9. Before the bye, it had shut out its previous two opponents, beating Dayon Dunbar and Cincinnati Mount Healthy by combined score of 79-0.

Who will win: Walsh Jesuit 28-14

St. Edward (8-1) at [Hoban \(7-1\)](#)

What to know: [St. Edward comes in as the No. 2 team in the Ohio Super 25 high school football rankings.](#) [Hoban is No. 3.](#) ... The Knights snapped a three-game losing streak to the Eagles last season when they won 24-21 at Lakewood Stadium. ... Hoban holds a 10-5 edge in the series history. ... A win Friday would give Hoban coach Tim Tyrrell a 150-26 career record. ... Knights offensive tackle and Ohio State commit Sam Greer is a game-

time decision because of injury. ... Fourth-string quarterback Payton Cook was forced into action last week against Central York, Pa. with starter Nick Kinsey and backups Michael Mull and Major Cribbs out with injuries. Cook went 8-of-11 passing for 103 yards and didn't throw an interception in a 46-21 win. Cook is a Louisville recruit as a wide receiver and has 15 catches, 141 yard and two TDs this season. ... Kinsey, Mull and Cribbs are all game-time decisions. ... Kinsey is an Eastern Michigan recruit and is 57-of-115 passing for 727 yards and seven touchdowns. Jackson Callaway (16 catches, 277 yards, two TDs), Grady Falkenstein (14 catches, 120 yards) and Cook are his primary receivers. ... Jance Henry (110 carries, 653 yards, six TDs) and Brayton Feister (76 carries, 590 yards, 12 TDs) have a combined 42 Division I college offers. ... Colorado State commit Ace Brown leads the defensive line. Brydon Feister, who has offers from Oregon and Penn State, is virtually unstoppable next to his brother, Brayton, at linebacker. USC commit Elbert Hill (six interceptions) is a force in the secondary. ... St. Edward is incredible on defense behind safety and Michigan State commit Braydon Thomas, safety and Youngstown State commit Brayden Adams, cornerback and Maryland pledge Makhi Boone and cornerback and Western Michigan commit Broden Moore. Wide receiver Zach Hackleman is committed to Toledo and interior offensive lineman Mason Wilhelm has pledged to North Carolina. ... Hackleman (61 catches, 745 yards, 15 TDs) is coming off a four-touchdown game against Cincinnati Moeller in which he had 237 all-purpose yards, including 150 yards and two TDs on punt returns. He holds school records for career receptions (122), receiving yards (2,135) and receiving touchdowns (28). He has 19 total touchdowns this season. QB Jonny Evanchick (83-of-116 passing, 1,206 yards, 20 TDs) moves the offense. Brandon White (155 yards, 1,166 yards, 14 TDs) leads the ground attack. ... Hoban has locked up the No. 1 seed and a first-round bye in Division II, Region 5. St. Edward is first in Division I, Region 1 and has secured a first-round postseason bye.

Who will win: St. Edward 24-21

St. Vincent-St. Mary (0-7) at Benedictine (7-2), 7:30 p.m.

What to know: St. Vincent-St. Mary has never gone winless since the two schools merged in 1972. St. Mary went winless once (1958, 0-8). St. Vincent went winless twice (1924, 0-6-2; 1955, 0-8-1). ... The Bengals hold a 10-3-1 edge in head-to-head meetings and beat the Irish 39-8 last season. ... STVM is led by Rylan Hurley (55 carries, 252 yards) and Brandon Nicholson (35 carries, 99 yards). ... Benedictine is led by QB Giovanni Iacampo (62-of-123 passing, 956 yards, 11 TDs), Kayden Forte (127 carries, 643 yards, six TDS) and Jonathan Spikes (20 catches, 278 yards, two TDs). ... The Bengals are 10th in Division III, Region 10 but haven't clinched a playoff spot yet. ... The Irish are 27th in

Division II, Region 5 and have been eliminated from postseason play.

Who will win: Benedictine 42-0

Cuyahoga Falls (1-8, 0-6) at Highland (9-0, 6-0)

What to know: The Hornets have never lost to the Black Tigers in the history of the Suburban League. ... Highland is led by Casey Myser (102 carries, 857 yards, 10 TDs) and Grady Gibb (67-of-80, 1,225 yards, 17 TDs). ... The Hornets are first in Division II, Region 6 and has clinched a first-round playoff bye. The Black Tigers are on a seven-game losing streak and have scored 34 points during that stretch. Jayden Weirs scored Cuyahoga Falls' lone touchdown last week in a 42-7 loss to Tallmadge. ... The Black Tigers are tied for 24th in Division II, Region 5 and have been eliminated from the postseason. Highland will likely be scoreboard watching afterwards. If Berea-Midpark beats Avon Lake, Wadsworth gets the No. 1 seed. If Avon Lake wins, the Hornets grab No. 1.

Who will win: Highland 63-0

Copley (7-2, 5-1) at Revere (6-2, 4-2)

What to know: This is the 75th meeting between the teams, who are even at 37 wins apiece. Copley defeated Revere 47-35 in a Week 9 regular-season game last season, and two weeks later ninth-seeded Revere defeated eighth-seeded Copley 34-28 in a Division III, Region 10 first-round playoff game. ... Copley and Revere have clinched playoff games this season in Division III, Region 10. Copley is the No. 5 seed and Revere is the No. 6 seed. ... Copley is led by OT-NG Lucas Tielsch, a University of Minnesota recruit. He is an elite blocker on offense and has eight tackles for loss, three sacks and an interception on defense. ... Copley QB Dane Wininger is 87-of-157 passing for 1,381 yards with 15 touchdowns and four interceptions. Wininger also has 54 carries for 324 yards and eight TDs. ... Bryce Martin is Copley's top running back with 1,198 yards and 17 TDs on 158 carries. Martin also has a TD reception, a kickoff return for a TD and an interception. ... Jalen Owens has two TD runs, and Michael Garden Jr. and Anderson Madden have one TD run apiece. ... Andrew McKnight is Copley's leading receiver with 37 catches for 781 yards and 12 TDs and has intercepted a pass. Jacob Kuczkowski has 28 catches for 360 yards and one TD. Noah Slattery also has a TD reception. ... Copley's leading tacklers are Hendrix Sickels, Rhalachi Childs, Donovan Crook and Ashton Smith. Sickels has 99 tackles (58 solo, 13 for loss) and two sacks. Childs has 61 tackles (45 solo, 11 for loss) and three sacks. Crook has 57 tackles (22 solo, 11 for loss) and two sacks. Smith has 40 tackles (23 solo, six for loss). ... Owens has four interceptions and returned one for a TD. ... Collin

Witherspoon II and Nylan Garden both have two interceptions. ... Kuczkowski also has a defensive TD on a fumble return. ... Copley kicker Matthew Panzner is 45 of 47 on PATs. ... McKnight is averaging 38.0 yards on 17 punts with four inside the opponent's 20-yard line. ... Revere QB Chase Clifford is 40-of-83 passing for 614 yards and eight touchdowns with five interceptions. ... WR-RB Harrison Drvenkar is a versatile athlete for Revere with a punt return for a TD, 49 carries for 309 yards and three TDs, and 20 catches for 323 yards and five TDs. ... James Perry (75 carries, 365 yards, 11 TDs) and Johlil Blanchard (63 carries, 451 yards, three TDs) are key running backs for Revere and Uriah Pulliam has caught two TD passes. ... Revere's Nicholas Hall has caught one TD pass and is also a talented linebacker with 82 tackles (49 solo, five for loss), two sacks, four interceptions, one forced fumble and one fumble recovery. ... Three other top defenders for the Minutemen are Elijah Sedor (35 tackles, 21 solo, eight for loss, seven sacks), Tyler Frate (35 tackles, 23 solo, one interception and two forced fumbles) and Joel Caipen (27 tackles, 19 solo, five for loss, 5½ sacks, one forced fumble and one fumble recovery). ... Revere kicker David Kennedy is 25 of 26 on PATs and is 1 of 2 on field goals with a make from 35 yards. Michael McCauley and Donovan Juby share the punting role. McCauley is averaging 40.0 yards on 13 punts with five inside the opponent's 20-yard line and two inside the opponent's 10-yard line. Juby is averaging 41.1 yards on seven punts with one inside the opponent's 20-yard line.

Who will win: Copley 28-21

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Aurora (5-4, 4-2) at Barberton (1-8, 1-5)

What to know: It's been an unusually tough year for these two storied programs. The

Greenmen, according to Joe Eitel, will miss the postseason for the first time since 2018. The Magics have lost five straight. ... Aurora has been playing better of late, winning three consecutive games, all by at least 28 points. It helps that the Greenmen have a bellcow back in Xavier Board (146 carries, 812 yards, 13 touchdowns) surrounded by other talented players like wide receiver Luke McGovern and quarterback Ryan Ziegler. ... The Magics counter with Angelo Gotto, their own tough runner.

Who will win: Aurora 35-7

Stow (2-7, 0-6) at Nordonia (6-3, 3-3)

What to watch: Nordonia will look to rebound from its double-overtime loss to Hudson in Week 9. The Knights have clinched a Division II, Region 5 playoff spot despite losing their last two games. ... QB Steve Fakult continues to have an excellent season for Nordonia. He went 24-of-38 passing for 334 yards with four TDs and an interception in the loss to Hudson. ... Stow will look to close out the season with its first win in the Suburban League National Conference. ... QB Jake Harrington has provided the bulk of Stow's offense, including 111 yards passing and a TD, along with 68 yards rushing and TD in Week 9 vs. Wadsworth.

Who will win: Nordonia 42-21

Wadsworth (9-0, 6-0) at Solon (2-7, 1-5)

What to watch: The Grizzlies beat the Comets 28-27 last season in Solon's first year in the Suburban League National Conference. ... Wadsworth is led by Cooper Gray (109 carries, 967 yards, 15 TDs), Calix Lemp (32 catches, 853 yards, 13 TDs), Gavin Madigan (86 carries, 908 yard, 18 TDS) and Brysen Hall (96-of-146 passing, 2,013 yards, 24 TDs). Jacob Earnest (53 tackles, sack, seven hurries, three pass breakups, interception, TD) leads the defense. Cornerback Khyier Robinson, who has four Mid-American Conference offers, leads the Comets. TE/DE Brady Bush, who has a Kent State offer, is a menace as well. ... The Grizzlies are third in Division II, Region 6 and has clinched a first-round playoff bye. Solon is tied for 14th in Division I, Region 1 and can clinch a playoff berth with a win.

Who will win: Wadsworth 42-14

Hudson (7-2, 5-1) at North Royalton (4-5, 3-3)

What to watch: Hudson has secured its spot in the Division II, Region 5 playoffs, but the Explorers face a tricky road test against North Royalton to close the regular season.

Hudson sits fourth in the Region 5 standings and hope to secure a first-round bye with a win. ... The Explorers have found a new weapon in RB/TE Christopher Horner, who ran for 84 yards and four TDs, including the game-winner in overtime vs. Nordonia in Week 9 ... North Royalton had a three-game winning streak snapped by Twinsburg in Week 9, but the Bears have won their last two home games.

Who will win: Hudson 28-14

Kent Roosevelt (4-5, 2-4) at Tallmadge (3-6, 2-4)

What to watch: It's the Rough Riders' final game in the Suburban League — but they'll keep playing the Blue Devils every year as both join the Metro Athletic Conference next season. [Roosevelt](#) is trying to snap a streak of five consecutive Tallmadge wins in the rivalry. ... The Rough Riders come into this game on a three-game skid against Aurora, Copley and Highland — arguably the three top teams in the Suburban American. They boast an electric aerial attack led by [quarterback Gavin Peeps](#) and wide receivers Tyler Ellington and Jaiden Portis. ... The Blue Devils have struggled to score this year, averaging 12.2 points. Opponents have held Tallmadge to single digits in six of nine games this season.

Who will win: Roosevelt 21-14

Brecksville (5-4, 3-3) at Twinsburg (6-3, 3-3)

What to watch: For the both the Tigers and Bees, the playoffs start now. The winner of this game will secure a Division II playoff spot, and the loser likely will need help getting in. ... Twinsburg is ninth in the Division II, Region 5 standings, and Brecksville is 10th in Division II, Region 6. ... Twinsburg has been streaky this year, but comes in on two-game winning streak, having defeated North Royalton 21-7 in Week 9. ... Brecksville has been similarly up and down, having alternated wins and loss since Week 4. The Bees are coming off a 53-0 rout of Solon in Week 9.

Who will win: Twinsburg 21-20

Lake (7-2, 3-2) at Green (4-5, 2-3)

What to watch: There is a lot on the line between these two Region 5 rivals. Lake likely locks up a first-round playoff bye with a win, and Green needs a victory to get to Week 11. The Bulldogs probably feel like they've been playing do-or-die games all of October — their three-game winning streak is the reason they're still alive for a postseason spot. ... Lake snapped a two-game slide with a quality [20-14 win over Hoover](#) last week. Davis

Matson scored three touchdowns and ran for 153 yards and the Lake defense held an explosive Hoover team to just one offensive touchdown. Meanwhile, Green scored 21 points in the final 14:32 to rally for a 28-21 win at Perry. ... Junior playmaker Ty DeGeorge is slated to make his return from a broken ankle suffered early in Lake's Week 3 game vs. Rocky River. In the first two games of the season, DeGeorge scored nine TDs and passed for one. ... Senior QB Tyson Hunka has thrown for 10 touchdowns and run for two more during Green's winning streak. During that same span, senior RB Evan Reed has scored eight TDs, with six receiving, one rushing and one on a 90-yard kickoff return. ... Matson, who has scored seven TDs the last three weeks, has rushed for 823 yards at 5.1 a carry for the season. Senior QB Alex Quior has thrown for 1,552 yards, 14 TDs and six picks. ... Junior NT Zachary Kutzera has eight TFLs the last two games. Junior Callen Pierce and senior Brady Sommers have four interceptions each for the Blue Streaks. ... Lake beat Green 49-21 last year and leads the all-time series 18-10.

Who will win: Lake 23-21

Northwest (5-3, 4-1) at Manchester (6-3, 3-2)

What to watch: A showdown with the Principals Athletic Conference championship title up for grabs. Northwest will clinch at least a share of the title with a win. The Panthers need a win and a Triway loss to Orrville to create a four-way tie for the title. ... Both teams are coming off tough Week 9 losses. Northwest was defeated 22-21 in overtime by Fairless. Orrville rallied to beat Manchester 35-28. ... Despite losing to Fairless, Northwest clinched a playoff berth in Division IV, Region 13. A Manchester win will send the Panthers to the postseason in Division V, Region 17. ... Panthers RB Ayden Meade is just 76 rushing yards shy of 1,000 for the season. He has scored nine TDs. Manchester's Phil Partin has rushed for 586 yards and five TDs despite missing much of the season with an injury. Tyler Pappas, a former Northwest quarterback, has thrown for 1,517 yards and 18 TDs. ... Northwest's Joey Medure is also one of the PAC-7's top running backs with 762 yards and six TDs. Northwest QB Brayden Venables is 99 passing yards away from 1,000 for the season. He has thrown nine TD passes.

Who will win: Northwest 31-28

Elyria Catholic (3-6, 1-3) at CVCA (8-0, 4-0)

What to watch: This is the first time the two will meet, according to the CVCA athletic website. ... Charley Levak (35-of-51 passing, 635 yards, 15 TDS, one interception; 33 carries, 329 yards, six TDs) is a great duel threat QB for the Royals. Wesley Keeler (59

carries, 491 yards, four TDS), Joey Kopec (60, 489 yards, eight TDs) and Tommy Kopec (49 carries, 435 yards, seven TDs) keep rushing defenses honest. The Royals shine on defense, where they've logged three shutouts and held seven opponents to 14 points or less... Zion Castillo (170 carries, 709 yards, three TDs) and Connor Lattea (34 catches, 370 yards, two TDS) lead the Panthers. CVCA is second in Division III, Region 9 and has clinched a first-round playoff bye. Elyria Catholic is 18th in Division III, Region 10.

Who will win: CVCA 35-0

Norton (8-0, 6-0) at Coventry (2-7, 1-5)

What to watch: The Panthers have won the last three meetings with the Comets. ... Norton is led by Trey Kersten (74-of-110 passing, 1,377 yards, 12 TDs), Jason Beverly (75 catches, 686 yards, 11 TDs), Markus Brown (72 carries, 635 yards, seven TDs) and Buddy Willig (32 catches, 757 yards, 10 TDs). ... Coventry is led by Lamar Taylor (183 carries, 939 yards, seven TDs) on offense. Evan Owen (48 tackles, eight for loss), Alex Eudy (46 tackles, nine for loss, sack) and Brady McCracken (33 tackles, 10 for loss, two sacks, fumble recovery) lead the defense. ... The Panthers are on top of Division IV, Region 13 and have clinched a home game. The Comets are 22nd and have been eliminated from postseason play.

Who will win: Norton 56-7

Woodridge (5-4, 4-2) at Springfield (1-8, 0-6)

What to watch: Woodridge, seeded No. 13 after nine weeks, needs a win and some help to get into the top 12 and make a playoff appearance in Division IV, Region 13. ... The Bulldogs feature playmakers Rory Johnston, John Tyree, Kellen Moor, Sean Thompson, Nicholas Mull, Dominic Dunlap and Carter Maxa. ... Woodridge topped Cloverleaf 21-15 on Oct. 17 with Tyree running for 175 yards and two touchdowns. Morr had five receptions for 38 yards and a TD. Thompson contributed 14 tackles (six solo, one for loss) and an interception, Mull also had 14 tackles and Dunlap recorded an interception. ... Springfield is looking to bounce back from a 61-0 loss to Norton on Oct. 17. The Spartans have been shutout four weeks in a row.

Who will win: Woodridge 35-7

Cloverleaf (6-3, 4-2) at Streetsboro (7-2, 5-1)

What to know: The [Rockets](#) shook off a shaky first half last week against Field to dominate the second and win their third consecutive game. Last week was the fifth time in

nine games Streetsboro held an opponent to seven points or fewer, with Ayden Knuebel (116 tackles, nine for loss) and Arthur Scott III (45 tackles, 15 for loss) among the Rockets' defensive leaders. The Colts have also held five of their first nine opponents to seven points or fewer. ... Can Cloverleaf continue its defensive prowess against Streetsboro? It won't be easy as Marcus Council has rushed for at least 84 yards in every game he has played this season and [Janiere Cook](#) topped the 1,000-yard mark last week. ... The Rockets have won their last two games against the Colts, scoring 49-plus points both times.

Who will win: Streetsboro 35-21

Richmond Heights at [Mogadore](#) (8-1)

What to know: The Spartans bring a two-game win streak to Mogadore Memorial Stadium. The [Wildcats](#) can relate — they've won six in a row. ... Mogadore quarterback Maddox Smith and running back Conner Lehner have been an electric duo while the Wildcats are allowing just 9½ points per game over their current win streak. ... Expect a great battle between the Spartans' potent aerial attack and a very athletic Wildcats secondary.

Who will win: Mogadore 35-7

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Saturday's high school football games in the Greater Akron area

[Firestone](#) (1-8, 1-3) at [Ellet](#) (3-6, 2-2), noon

What to watch: Ellet and Firestone feature head coaches who are former football players and Garfield graduates who know each other very well. ... [Bob Sax](#), a 1988 Garfield graduate, is in his first season as Ellet's head coach after serving as a Garfield assistant under coach [Bill McGee](#) from 1989-2001, as the Garfield head coach from 2002-2016 and as an assistant at Lake to Dan DeGeorge from 2017-2024. ... [RayShaun Nevins](#), a 2013 Garfield graduate, is in his first season as Firestone's coach after being an assistant with the Falcons to [Eric Mitchell](#) from 2019-2024. ... "Rayshaun was a great kid," Sax said. "He was a disciplined player. His uncle [Mitchell] played for Garfield back in the early '80s. Just a Garfield guy. You could tell he was a Golden Ram. He loved it. He worked hard. He was my center for two years [in 2011 and 2012]. Just a great kid to coach." ... Nevins said it was a "great experience" playing football at Garfield for Sax. "He made sure we did the right things," Nevins said. "He was always on us to be a Garfield Ram. Tough, physical,

but disciplined. Those things are still values that I hold today of being tough and disciplined in my life." ... QB Terrance Parker ran for a 24-yard TD and RB Brandon Knowles ran for a 3-yard TD in Ellet's 13-6 win over Garfield on Oct. 18. Sax said OT-DT Lucas Adkins was the lead blocker on both touchdown runs. Andrew Statler made a PAT. ... Parker, Knowles and WR Trey Carter are three of Ellet's top playmakers on offense. ... Knowles is a key linebacker on an Ellet defense that also features LB Brandon Guest, DE Jordan Robinson, DE Travontae Harbin and FS Elijah Griffin. ... QB Donniven Younger, RB Mekhi Tatum and RB Taiyear Mathis each ran for a TD in Firestone's 30-0 win over North on Oct. 17. Firestone's Orion Winston recovered a fumble and scored a TD, Jason Chestnut made 2 of 2 PATs and Sancole Wilson threw a 2-point conversion pass to Lamont Benson. Carleon Smart recorded an interception for the Falcons, who also forced a safety. ... Me'khi Young, James Richardson, James Boyer and Nae'than Milliner are leaders as two-way starting linemen for the Falcons. ... Firestone has won six of its past eight games against Ellet, including victories in each of the past four seasons.

Who will win: Ellet 21-14

North (1-8, 0-4) at Buchtel (3-6, 3-1), noon

What to watch: North tries to bounce back from a 30-0 loss to Firestone Oct. 17 and Buchtel tries to regroup after a 12-8 loss to East on Oct. 18. ... North is led by QB Jair Bell, WR-CB Nate Ruffin, DL Deon Williams, DL Albert Sorey, DB Jihad Smith, WR-FS Jaden Wardlaw, RB-LB Jeffrey Williams and LB LaDanian Hughes. ... Buchtel led East 8-0 in the third quarter last week after QB Arthur Thomas threw a 12-yard TD pass to WR Daurean Johnson and Dwight Shade threw a 2-point conversion pass to Tristan Ford. Shade and Johnson also recorded an interception. DL Samir Brown, LB Audlyn Lovelace and DL Braylon Solomon added sacks. ... RB-DB Marcus Britt, WR-DB Terrell Hall and WR-DB Tavion Iverson are also playmakers for Buchtel.

Who will win: Buchtel 35-7

Summit County-area high school football standings

Akron City Series standings

East 7-2, 4-0

Buchtel 3-6, 3-1

Garfield 4-4, 2-2

Ellet 3-6, 2-2

Firestone 1-8, 1-3

North 1-8, 0-4

Summit County independents

Mogadore 8-1

Hoban 7-1

Walsh Jesuit 7-1

St. Vincent-St. Mary 0-7

Suburban League American Conference standings

Highland 9-0, 6-0

Copley 7-2, 5-1

Revere 6-2, 4-2

Aurora 5-4, 4-2

Kent Roosevelt 4-5, 2-4

Tallmadge 3-6, 2-4

Barberton 1-8, 1-5

Cuyahoga Falls 1-8, 0-6

Suburban League National Conference standings

Wadsworth 9-0, 6-0

Hudson 7-2, 5-1

Nordonia 6-3, 3-3

Twinsburg 6-3, 3-3

Brecksville 5-4, 3-3

North Royalton 4-5, 3-3

Solon 2-7, 1-5

Stow 2-7, 0-6

Metro Athletic Conference standings

Norton 8-0, 6-0

Streetsboro 7-2, 5-1

Cloverleaf 6-3, 4-2

Woodridge 5-4, 4-2

Ravenna 3-6, 2-4

Field 2-7, 2-4

Coventry 2-7, 1-5
Springfield 1-8, 0-6

North Coast Conference standings

CVCA 8-0, 4-0
Chardon ND-CL 7-2, 3-1
Mentor Lake Catholic 7-2, 3-1
Holy Name 5-4, 1-3
Elyria Catholic 3-6, 1-3
Padua 1-8, 0-4

Principals Athletic Conference standings

Triway 8-1, 4-1
Northwest 5-3, 4-1
Orrville 6-3, 3-2
Manchester 6-3, 3-2
Canton South 4-5, 3-3
Fairless 4-5, 1-4
Tuslaw 3-6, 0-5

Federal League standings

McKinley 8-1, 6-0
Lake 7-2, 3-2
Hoover 7-2, 3-2
Jackson 5-4, 3-2
Green 4-5, 2-3
Perry 4-5, 1-4
GlenOak 2-7, 0-5

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