

Week 2 Game Balls: Top performers of the 2025 high school football season

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[St. Edward starts fast vs. Delbarton](#)

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CLEVELAND, Ohio — Game balls go out to the following players for their performances from Week 2 of the high school football season.

Coaches are encouraged to send statistics and nominations to Matt Goul (mgoul@cleveland.com) by Sunday evening. This post will be updated through Monday morning with additions, so be sure to check back and vote in the poll below for who you think is the player of the week:

Toriano Allen, Lorain: Allen got to work with a 90-yard kick return, then scored two more times with 150 yards on 14 carries in Lorain's 41-14 win Friday against rival Elyria.

Mike Banks, Maple Heights: Stepping in at quarterback to start this season, Banks has pushed the Mustangs to a 2-0 start. In their 28-22 win at Dover, he rushed for 170 yards and two TDs on 19 carries and threw for another 170 yards with a score on 10-of-16 passing. He also led a winning drive that ended with Marlon Brown's score off a double reverse.

Xavier Board, Aurora: Board rushed for 155 yards and three TDs on 17 carries for the Greenmen, as they bounced back from a Week 1 loss with a 47-0 win at Lutheran West.

Kendrick Boddie, Strongsville: The Mustangs' junior rushed for 246 yards and two TDs on 27 carries in their [28-7 win](#) vs. Solon.

Ethan Burge, Kenston: Despite a 35-30 loss at Perry, the sophomore rushed for 156 yards and a score on 24 carries. He also scored on a 14-yard pass reception.

Janiere Cook, Streetsboro: His 168 yards and three TDs on 21 carries paced the Rockets in a 42-7 rout on the road of Kent Roosevelt.

Jackson Farley, Mentor: Farley followed up his [school-record 364 yards](#) and five TDs on 35 carries last week at Olmsted Falls with 244 yards and three TDs at Erie McDowell in Pennsylvania. This time, it took him just nine carries to reach that production total.

Kayden Forte, Benedictine: The Bengals' sophomore rushed for 94 yards and the only score on 21 carries in their 7-0 win at Padua.

Evan Foust, Highland: A junior linebacker, Foust's second-quarter punchout of the football forced a fumble in the Hornets' [32-0 win](#) vs. Hudson and led to their first touchdown. Foust kept his nose around the football the rest of the night on Highland's swarming defense, which forced four takeaways.

Jack Gellin, Chagrin Falls: A senior, Gellin rushed for 110 yards with a score on 15 carries in the Tigers' 22-19 win vs. Orange. He added a two-point conversion. Defensively, Gellin had 15 tackles from the secondary. He played every snap.

Zach Hackleman, St. Edward: A Toledo commit, Hackleman scored four times Saturday in St. Edward's [48-28 win](#) vs. Delbarton (N.J.). He amassed 214 all-purpose yards, including a 98-yard kickoff return in the first quarter. Hackleman finished with 114 yards on seven receptions, which produced three of his scores.

Brysen Hall, Wadsworth: The Grizzlies' super sophomore quarterback completed 12 of 15 passes for 318 yards with two TDs Friday, both to Calix Lemp in a 35-7 romp of New Albany.

Jayden Hardy, Willoughby South: The Rebels' electric playmaker rushed for 127 yards and a TD on 22 carries in their 48-29 loss at Madison. Hardy added 31 yards on three receptions.

Jake Harrington, Stow-Munroe Falls: Harrington threw for 247 yards and four TDs on 17-of-20 passing to lead the Bulldogs in a 49-14 rout of Barberton.

Jayden Haynes, Mayfield: Haynes turned eight receptions into 116 yards and two TDs in Mayfield's 28-13 win against Elyria Catholic.

Jacob Kay, Chagrin Falls: The Tigers' quarterback played every snap on both sides of the ball in their win vs. Orange. He rushed for 101 yards on 22 attempts and added 96 yards with two TDs on 6-of-11 passing. Defensively, Kay had five tackles.

Cole Kramer, Chagrin Falls: The Tigers' senior linebacker totaled 19 tackles, including a goal-line stop of Orange to preserve their three-point win. Kramer had two TFL, one interception, a fumble recovery and a TFL on a two-point conversion try.

Marty Loncar, Lake Catholic: A senior linebacker, Loncar's fumble recovery and blocked punt helped the Cougars bounce back from a Week 1 loss and upset Avon Lake with a 21-14 win in Mentor. Loncar finished with three solo tackles, 11 assists, three TFL and one sack.

Charlie Mallett, Hawken: A junior, Mallett caught all three of Donovan Moorhead's TD passes in a 44-0 win vs. Berkshire. Mallett finished with 176 yards on nine receptions.

Kyndall McCaleb, Riverside: McCaleb ran the ball 14 times for 195 yards and a score in the Beavers' 16-15 win vs. Erie Cathedral Prep.

Jazion Moore, Lorain: A junior receiver, Moore turned four receptions into 159 yards and two TDs in Lorain's win vs. rival Elyria.

Donovan Moorhead, Hawken: An efficient effort from Moorhead helped Hawken's win vs. Berkshire. He completed 19 of 22 passes for 268 yards and three TDs.

Tristan Negrelli, Lake Catholic: A senior cornerback, Negrelli had four solo tackles with eight assists, an interception and two pass breakups.

Benjy Nemet, Aurora: The linebacker had seven tackles to lead Aurora's shutout of Lutheran West, which managed just 25 yards against the Greenmen.

Will Randall, Madison: The Blue Streaks' big quarterback threw five TD passes and completed 15 of 21 passes for 277 yards in their win vs. Willoughby South.

McKoy Richards, Perry: One of the Pirates' two quarterbacks to see time this year, Richards threw for 275 yards and four TDs in their 35-30 win vs. Kenston. He also rushed for 89 yards and a score.

Charlie Rodgers, Bay: A four-year starter, Rodgers' 84-yard TD run early in a 27-0 win at University School gave new coach Nick Bigrigg his first victory in charge of the Rockets. Rodgers scored twice in the second quarter to give Bay a 14-0 lead.

Tyler Rowles, North Royalton: In the Bears' 43-13 rout at Wooster, Rowles came up with four tackles and an interception at cornerback. He also forced a fumble and recovered one.

Ricardo Ruffin, Twinsburg: Ruffin scored twice, including a TD reception and a fumble recovery to score, in the Tigers' 37-16 win vs. Bedford and coach Charles Saulter's former team.

John Silvestro, Kirtland: Silvestro rushed the football 13 times for 120 yards and three TDs in Kirtland's 42-7 win vs. Ashland Crestview.

Owen Singleton, Olmsted Falls: Singleton rushed for 181 yards and a score on 25 carries in the Bulldogs' 29-15 win vs. Brunswick.

Brayden Sopko, Buckeye: His two TDs sparked the Bucks to a 21-13 win vs. Amherst, avenging their lone regular-season loss from last year. Sopko rushed for 103 yards.

Dion'dre Taylor, Glenville: A Kent State commit on the defensive line, Taylor's three sacks and two forced fumbles made a difference in Glenville's [13-7 win](#) at defending Division I state champion Olentangy Liberty.

Marty Tobin, Walsh Jesuit: The Warriors' 30-6 win at Springfield came with 135 yards and two TDs on 15 carries by Tobin. The senior's effort led Walsh's 203 yards on the ground.

Drew Walter, Oberlin: The senior quarterback scored Oberlin's go-ahead touchdown in a 13-12 win at Brooklyn to snap a 31-game losing streak.

Carmello Williams, Oberlin: His interception sealed Oberlin's win at Brooklyn.

Buddy Willig, Norton: The Panthers' season opener was delayed a week, and Willig made the most of it with 132 yards and two TDs on eight receptions in a 54-20 win vs. Lutheran East.

Quarterback Trey Kersten threw four TD passes with 185 yards on 13 of 20 attempts.