Highland football: Hornets have the skill to continue their run -2025 camp tour

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Highland, Casey Myser have the skills to continue their run

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GRANGER TWP., Ohio — Despite Casey Myser's 46 touchdowns and more than 2,000 yards last season at Highland, the slate is wiped clean in his eyes.

"I haven't proven anything yet," he said Tuesday after practice. "I'm excited to get back out there and hopefully I can have as good of a season, if not better than I did last year."

Myser's effort as a junior propelled Highland to its second Suburban League American Conference championship in three years. The Hornets have won at least 10 games in four consecutive seasons under 11th-year coach Mike Gibbons, who has plenty of speed and talent around Myser.

The question is, can Highland be as good up front after graduating All-Ohio defensive linemen Carson Noonan and Ryan Zywiec.

"The toughness is what we're trying to get established there," Gibbons said. "We return a lot of skill, and then up front is where we maybe lack a little bit of experience. We're just telling these kids to take it personal."

For more coverage of the Hornets ahead of the 2025 football season, watch the video above from cleveland.com's football camp tour. Their schedule and players to watch are listed below:

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Highland Hornets

2024 record: 13-1, Division II regional finalist

Coach: Mike Gibbons (11th season)

League: Suburban League, American Conference

Players to watch

Grady Gibb, QB, 5-10, 175, sr.

Casey Myser, RB, 6-2, 200, sr.

Nick Dobkowski, WR, 6-3, 185, sr.

Lucas Gerding, WR/S, 6-0, 180, sr.

Josh Messina, OT/DE, 6-0, 255, sr.

Cody Bendau, DT/G, 5-11, 245, sr.

Kallen Whitling, OLB, 5-9, 190, sr.

Jameson Gordon, MLB, 6-2, 215, sr.

Evan Foust, S/LB/RB, 6-0, 192, jr.

Schedule

Aug. 22 at Erie McDowell (Pa.)

Aug. 29 vs. Hudson

Sept. 5 at Avon Lake

Sept. 12 vs. Aurora

Sept. 19 at Copley

Sept. 26 vs. Tallmadge

Oct. 3 vs. Barberton

Oct. 10 at Kent Roosevelt

Oct. 17 at Revere

Oct. 24 vs. Cuyahoga Falls