

JEFF PLACE SPORTS

2A POWER RANKINGS:

Week 9



1 HOCKINSON HAWKS (7-0)

Coach Rick Steele

PF: 334 PA: 86 • POLLS: AP: #1, TNT: #1 Last Week: Beat Washougal (4-4) 49-12. This Week: at Ridgefield (3-4) • D4 • LW 1

Hockinson should be matched up against W.F. West (Chehalis) in a cross-over game on November 2. QB Levi Crum threw for 361 yards last week and Sawyer Raccanelli caught 13 of them.

2 LYNDEN LIONS (8-0)

Coach Blake VanDalen

PF: 253 PA: 126 • POLLS: AP: #4, TNT: #3 Last Week: Beat Vancouver Collegiate 38-16. This Week: Bye, 11/2: #4 Seed • D1 • LW 3

Thw Lions made it through the toughest 2A conference unscathed and remain dangerous. Arguments could be made for others, but they are the only team to beat British Columbia's best team. In two weeks, they play the D1/2 #4 poll seed and should easily make it to the final 16 round. If the state seeding committee agrees they are second, they will play the #15 seed.

3 BLACK HILLS WOLVES (8-0)

Coach Kirk Stevens

PF: 304 PA: 128 • POLLS: AP: #7, TNT: #6 Last Week: Beat Tumwater (7-0) 22-17. This Week: at Rochester (2-6) • D4 • LW 6

The nine-year drought ended for Black Hills with an impressive win last Friday. They also knocked off Pullman who was unbeaten at the time. Sophomore Jaden Cole stepped in at quarterback and played beyond his years (9 of 16 for 168 yards and three touchdowns). The Wolves had a balanced 319 yards as they clinched at least a share of the title.

4 STEILACOOM SENTINELS (8-0)

Coach Colby Davies

PF: 380 PA: 107 • POLLS: AP: #3, TNT: #5 Last Week: Beat Clover Park (3-5) 51-7. This Week: Fife (7-1) • D3 • LW 4

The Sentinels could easily be ranked higher. They really never have been chal-

lenged but this week the road to the playoffs begins. They play on Thursday against Fife for the SPSL top seed. (Loser is 2nd). Winner will play Olympic League #4, loser will play SPSL sixth seed.

5 LIBERTY PATRIOTS (6-2)

Coach Steve Valach

PF: 274 PA: 98 • POLLS: AP: #6, TNT: #4 Last Week: Beat 3A Mercer Island (6-2) 27-0. This Week: Cedarcrest (3-5) • D2 • LW 5

Their 6-2 record is the same as 8-0 for most schools. Their losses were to Bellevue in overtime and to 4A Issaquah. Their victory-over Mercer Island was against the state's #8 ranked 3A team. Quarterback Sam Brown ran for two touchdowns while runningback/linebacker, Jacob Thoresen rushed for 100 yards on 12 carries.



Never overlook Othello in mini playoff games. They have a history of coming up with the right plays to win. (See Possibilities below)

6 TUMWATER T-BIRDS (7-1)

Coach Bill Beattie

PF: 313 PA: 79 • POLLS: AP: #2, TNT: #2 Last Week: Lost Black Hills (7-0) 22-17. This Week: Centralia (2-6) • D4 • LW 2

Not sure I would want to be Centralia this week. This program has a lot of pride and last week's loss hurt. They will probably play surprising Woodland (7-1) in a cross-over game with state implications.

7 WEST VALLEY EAGLES (7-1)

Coach Craig Whitney

PF: 254 PA: 118 • POLLS: AP: #5, TNT: #7 Last Week: Beat Cheney (5-2) 17-14. This Week: East Valley (0-7) • D7 • LW 7

West Valley came-from-behind to beat Cheney and secure the GNL top seed. They are clearly the best team in the GNL again and have some impressive wins. They've also beaten Othello(42-24), 4A Eastmont (14-10) and Pullman (54-27).

8 NORTH KITSAP VIKINGS (7-1)

Coach Jeff Weible

PF: 338 PA: 39 • POLLS: AP: NR, TNT: NR Last Week: Beat Port Angeles (2-6) 69-0. This Week: Olympic (3-5) • D3 • LW 8

There is a chance they could meet River Ridge in a loser-out cross-over. Both teams are probably better than some that will make it to state. Since they lost in week three, they have out-scored opponents 248-6.

9 PROSSER MUSTANGS (6-2)

Coach Corey Ingvalson

PF: 227 PA: 99 • POLLS: AP: NR, TNT: NR Last Week: Beat Wapato (1-7) 84-7. This Week: TBD • D5/6 • LW 9

Prosser will play for the CWAC championship on Saturday with a chance to advance directly into state.

10 ARCHBISHOP M. WILDCATS (4-2)

Coach Jerry Jensen

PF: 120 PA: 117 • POLLS: AP: #9, TNT: #9 Last Week: Beat Sedro Woolley (2-5) 42-21. This Week: Bye, 11/2: #3 Seed • D2 • LW 9

They proved their meddle by finishing second behind Lynden in the tough NWC and should make it to the Sweet 16 once again in two weeks.

• POSSIBILITIES •

District 1/2: (4 state berths). Put your money on Lynden, Liberty and Archbishop Murphy. Burlington-Edison, Bellingham or Sehome could be the fourth.

District 3: (6 state berths). Steilacoom, Eatonville (6-2) and North Kitsap should make up half the field. The other three should come from Sequim (6-0), Fife (5-1), White River (5-1) or River Ridge (5-3).

District 4: (3 state berths). Black Hills, Hockinson and Tumwater or AP #8 Woodland (7-1), who has the best dual-threat quarterback in the state in Tyler Flanagan.

District 5/6/7: (3 state berths). Ellensburg, Ephrata and Othello meet at Royal City on Tuesday, Oct. 23 in a Kansas City-tiebreaker game. First place meets Prosser in Moses Lake on Saturday in the CWAC championship. Second place meets Toppnish at four on the same day in a loser-out contest. Third place is out.

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State 2A Football Standings

(as of 10-20-2018)

YAKIMA VALLEY DISTRICT 5

(CWAC champion N1/S1 winner will advance to state. Loser will host GNL 2 (Pullman or Cheney), CWAC #3 will travel to West Valley of Spokane.

CWAC NORTH (2A)

Ellensburg	735	3	1	4	3	178	106
Ephrata	500	3	1	4	4	198	211
Othello	759	3	1	4	4	124	175
East Valley	656	1	3	3	5	173	248
Quincy	584	0	4	2	5	130	214

LAST WEEK: Ellensburg 47, Quincy 8; Ephrata 62, East Valley 20; Pullman 35, Othello 14.

CWAC SOUTH (2A)

Prosser	677	4	0	6	2	311	106
Toppenish	723	3	1	5	3	169	198
Selah	803	2	2	5	2	184	84
Grandview	669	1	3	4	4	163	171
Wapato	602	0	4	1	7	70	369

LAST WEEK: Prosser 84, Wapato 7; Selah 51, Grandview 17; Zillah 51, Toppenish 0.

NORTHWEST DISTRICT 1

(Lake and KingCo teams will be seeded by RPI; Sky Division by standings. Top 4 Sky teams get week 9 bye and play 4 Poll Seeds for 4 state berths.)

NORTHWEST CONFERENCE - SKY

Lynden	602	4	0	8	0	253	126
Arch. Murphy	404	3	1	4	2	162	138
Burlington-Ed	840	2	2	3	5	154	144
Sedro Woolley	910	1	3	3	5	178	256
Lakewood	532	0	4	4	4	254	178

LAST WEEK: Archbishop Murphy 42, Sedro Woolley 21; Burlington-Edison 39, Lakewood 33; Lynden 38, Vancouver Collegiate 16.

NORTHWEST CONFERENCE - LAKE

Bellingham	760	4	1	5	3	190	152
Mnt Terrace	878	4	1	5	3	154	116
Sehome	827	4	1	5	3	259	149
Blaine	484	2	3	3	4	129	132
Cedarcrest	715	1	4	3	5	116	195
Anacortes	596	0	5	0	8	50	275

LAST WEEK: Blaine 34, Anacortes 8; Mountlake Terrace 12, Cedarcrest 7; Sehome 54, Bellingham 27.

KINGCO 2A/3A

Liberty	878	4	1	6	2	274	98
Sammamish	727	0	5	0	8	91	317

LAST WEEK: Liberty 27, 3A Mercer Island 0; Ballard 49, Sammamish 0.



A highly-respected program and team to not overlook is Ellensburg. They are one of the few teams not afraid to schedule Royal.

WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT 3

SOUTH PUGET SOUND MOUNTAIN

Fife	802	7	0	7	1	267	125
White River	872	6	1	6	2	249	124
Washington	743	5	2	5	3	200	95
Franklin Pierce	925	4	3	4	4	193	175
Foster	651	3	4	3	5	190	160
Renton	958	2	5	2	6	65	214
Lindbergh	901	1	6	1	7	87	379
Foss	696	0	7	0	7	25	176

LAST WEEK: Fife 35, White River 17; Washington 31, Franklin Pierce 14; Foster 44, Renton 0; Lindbergh 33, Foss 13.

SPSL SOUND

Steilacoom	686	6	0	8	0	380	107
Eatonville	504	5	1	6	2	358	189
River Ridge	835	4	2	5	3	322	130
Orting	555	3	3	3	5	182	240
Clover Park	898	2	4	3	5	227	248
Highline	972	1	5	2	6	148	276
Evergreen	734	0	6	0	8	46	406

LAST WEEK: Eatonville 52, Highline 46; Steilacoom 51, Clover Park 7; Nathan Hale 49, Evergreen 13; River Ridge 48, Orting 0.

(SPSL combines with Olympic for 6 state berths.)

2A OLYMPIC LEAGUE (District 3)

Sequim	686	5	0	7	1	260	122
North Kitsap	811	4	1	7	1	337	39
Olympic	863	3	2	3	5	262	234
Bremerton	861	2	3	3	5	179	247
North Mason	528	2	3	4	4	181	229
Port Angeles	876	2	3	2	6	104	282
Kingston	605	0	6	1	7	98	337

LAST WEEK: Hoquiam 42, Sequim 35; North Kitsap 69, Port Angeles 0; North Mason 36, Kingston 20; Olympic 34, Bremerton 27.

SOUTHWEST DISTRICT 4

(3 state berths.)

EVERGREEN CONFERENCE

Black Hills	727	4	0	8	0	304	128
Tumwater	950	3	1	7	1	313	79
W.F. West	659	2	2	4	4	184	173
Aberdeen	710	1	3	1	7	88	302
Centralia	810	1	3	2	6	181	279
Rochester	495	1	3	2	6	141	305

LAST WEEK: Black Hills 22, Tumwater 17; Rochester 28, Aberdeen 21; W.F. West 42, Centralia 21.

GREATER SAINT HELENS LEAGUE

Hockinson	486	5	0	7	0	334	86
Woodland	533	4	1	7	1	314	177
Columbia River	935	4	2	5	3	172	168
Mark Morris	720	2	3	4	4	205	158
Washougal	694	2	3	4	4	177	258
Ridgefield	533	1	4	3	4	141	132
RA Long	683	0	5	0	7	62	284

LAST WEEK: Hockinson 49, Washougal 12; Mark Morris 34, RA Long 7; Woodland 40, Columbia River 7.

NORTHEAST DISTRICT 7

(Glue with CWAC for 2 state berths.)

GREAT NORTHERN LEAGUE

West Valley	777	3	0	7	1	254	118
Pullman	576	2	1	6	2	286	175
Clarkston	592	2	2	4	4	196	188
Cheney	905	1	2	6	2	222	177
East Valley	787	0	3	0	7	86	241

LAST WEEK: Clarkston 54, East Valley 14; Pullman 35, Othello 14; West Valley 17, Cheney 14.

West Valley is the league champion due to their wins over Cheney and Pullman. Cheney travels to Pullman this week. Winner will get GNL #2 seed and travel to CWAC #2.



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The What If Rankings

Applying the WIAA Basketball Rankings to Football

The seeding committees will be meeting soon in respect to their classifications, and the sweet sixteen playoff teams will be ranked in order 1-16.

One will play sixteen, two will play fifteen, etc.

How the rankings fall in order is anybody's guess.

Taking a look at the 2A, there will no doubtedly be a change in the AP/TNT Polls with Black Hills beating Tumwater for the first time in nine years. Steilacoom appears to be a team moving up the rankings at a brisk pace. Keep an eye on them in this week's AP Poll.

West Valley of Spokane pretty much sewed up the Great Northern League's top seeding by beating two contenders, Pullman and Cheney.

In the CWAC, Prosser heads into the championship game this Saturday at Moses Lake and Toppenish will play for third.

Who their opponents are will be decided on Tuesday, October 23 (today) at Royal at 7PM.

Ellensburg, Othello and Ephrata all tied for first and beat each other, so the Kansas City Tiebreaker will be en vogue.

This is not the first time

the CWAC has had to do this and if history teaches anything, Othello will be one of the winners.

The stats favor Ellensburg but a fluke or trick play can be the difference from playing another week to planning your banquet.

The South Puget Sound League will have their cross-over games this week as will the Great Northwest Conference.

For the SPSL, it is just for seeding since they get seven berths and will include the Olympic League next week in loser-out games. (1 team will be out.)

The NWC used an RPI (different than what the WIAA does) to seed the Lake Division along with Liberty, who plays in the 3A King-Co. They will play their loser out games this week. Winners will advance to play the top four Sky Division teams (Lynden, Archbishop Murphy, Sedro Woolley and Burlington-Edison.)

Liberty has the top seed and plays Cedarcrest. In other games Bellingham and Sehome meet for the second straight week. Last week, the Mariners beat Bellingham 54-27 so that game will be interesting.

As a treat, we took the WIAA basketball RPI

(Ratings Performance Index) and applied it to football. It is interesting and although we trust the numbers, Liberty is probably one of the top five 2A

teams in the state anyway.

We've messed with several different formulas, but if the RPI was applied to football, this would be it.

RPI RANKINGS (40-40-20)								
	2A SCHOOL	LG	W	L	Rating	WP	OWP	OOWP
1	Lynden	NWC	8	0	747.5	400.0	229.51	117.98
2	Hockinson	GSHL	7	0	729.8	400.0	214.82	115.01
3	Black Hills	EVCO	8	0	712.2	400.0	206.25	105.93
4	Steilacoom	SPSL	8	0	710.6	400.0	207.04	103.52
5	Sequim	OLY	7	1	667.2	350.0	218.75	98.41
6	West Valley - Spo	GNL	7	1	663.5	350.0	212.50	100.97
7	Tumwater	EVCO	7	1	659.5	350.0	200.00	109.45
8	Woodland	GSHL	7	1	639.2	350.0	191.78	97.40
9	North Kitsap	OLY	7	1	619.3	350.0	162.50	106.80
10	Prosser	CWAC	6	2	617.0	300.0	206.50	110.48
11	Archbishop Murphy	NWC	4	2	613.3	266.7	235.29	111.30
12	Fife	SPSL	7	1	606.8	350.0	161.29	95.51
13	Pullman	GNL	6	2	606.5	300.0	193.55	112.96
14	Toppenish	CWAC	5	3	598.0	250.0	238.71	109.30
15	Cheney	GNL	6	2	591.7	300.0	184.13	107.60
16	Liberty	KingC	6	2	589.8	300.0	187.50	102.26
17	Selah	CWAC	6	2	586.4	300.0	182.46	103.93
18	White River	SPSL	6	2	584.5	300.0	193.34	91.13
19	Eatonville	SPSL	6	2	582.3	300.0	180.65	101.63
20	Ellensburg	CWAC	4	3	581.7	228.6	247.27	105.86
21	Othello	CWAC	4	4	561.8	200.0	255.74	106.10
22	Columbia River	GSHL	5	3	561.0	250.0	200.00	111.02
23	Clarkston	GNL	4	4	545.9	200.0	243.75	102.14
24	Mountlake Terrace	NWC	5	3	542.2	250.0	203.18	89.25
25	Washington	SPSL	5	3	534.0	250.0	190.48	93.52
26	Sedro Woolley	NWC	3	5	530.4	150.0	277.42	102.98
27	Ephrata	CWAC	4	4	523.6	200.0	216.39	107.23
28	Sehome	NWC	5	3	519.4	250.0	168.75	100.63
29	River Ridge	SPSL	5	3	517.1	250.0	166.67	100.41
30	Bellingham	NWC	5	3	515.5	250.0	168.75	96.72
31	Burlington-Edison	NWC	3	5	502.5	150.0	249.18	103.34
32	W.F. West	EVCO	4	4	500.3	200.0	206.45	93.89
33	Washougal	GSHL	4	4	490.8	200.0	193.55	97.11
34	Lakeland	NWC	4	4	487.8	200.0	180.65	107.16
35	Franklin Pierce	SPSL	4	4	468.8	200.0	171.43	97.38

LG = League; W = Wins, L = Losses; Rating is the 40-40-20 Totals Combined; WP = Winning Percentage multiplied by 40%; OWP = Opponents Winning Percentage multiplied by 40%; OOWP = Opponents Opponents Winning Percentage multiplied by 20%.

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