



College Station escapes Poteet 41-38

By **TIM VERGHESE** - Nov 17, 2018

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College Station's bid to repeat had a tough first test in the Pirates, but they persevered. The Cougars overcame a late-game push by Mesquite Poteet 41-38 to advance to the second round of the playoffs



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College Station. Bi-District Champs. Cougars on a mission to repeat. 🏆

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The Old Coach's **Nick Walters** was in house to capture the action.



Poteet struck first, scoring on a 14-yard pass to put the Pirates up 7-0. The Cougars returned the ensuing kickoff for a touchdown and College Station was right back in it 7-7.

Kolbe Cashion gave the Cougars their first lead on a 67-yard touchdown showing off his killer speed. Both teams exchanged punts and at the end of the first quarter, College Station led 14-7.

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College Station scored again, after **Brandon Joseph** came up with a huge catch that led to a five-yard rushing touchdown to put the Cougars up 20-7. Poteet added a field goal as the clock ran down on the half and at halftime, College Station led 20-10.

After an exchange of punts to start the half, the Cougars speed came in clutch once again as Joseph returned a Pirates' punt for a touchdown for a 27-10 score. Poteet struck again at the end of the third quarter, as RB **Seth McGowan** ran it in from one-yard out and Poteet continued to hang around in the game at the end of the third quarter 27-17.

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The Cougars weren't going to let Poteet stay in the game long, opening the final quarter with a 74-yard rushing touchdown, Ryan Stapp's first rushing touchdown of the night.

The Pirates tacked on another touchdown, Dale's second passing touchdown of the night, to bring the Pirates back within ten, 34-24. Poteet's rally didn't stop as McGowan's second touchdown of the night, brought the Pirates within three, 34-31.

College Station was in desperate need of a momentum swing and they got it as Cashion ran in his second touchdown of the night to go up by ten points 41-31.

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With a minute left, Dale found Evan Spivey for a 40-yard touchdown to bring Poteet within three, needing a miracle to tie it up.

The ensuing onside kick failed, and College Station survived.

They now advance to play Highland Park, the undefeated state final, in a matchup of reigning state champs. One of these teams' repeat bid will end in a week. For College Station, they'll have

to rely on an electric offense and a ball-hawking defense to take down the well-coached Scots.

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Zachary Evans jumps to No. 1 in 2020 class

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Zachary Evans is the new No. 1 player in the 2020 class.

Evans jumped to No. 1 in the 247Sports Composite player rankings following an industry update Tuesday. The Houston running back ranks No. 6 in the Top247, but 247Sports on Feb. 20 will update its rankings for the 2020 class.

The rising high school senior headlines an excellent group of ball carriers in 2020 cycle. Evans is one of six running backs in 2020 that hold a five-star distinction in the 247Sports Composite. For context, the 2018 and 2019 classes combined featured six 247Sports Composite five-star rushers total.

But Evans, one of the best backs in Texas high school history, might be in a class all his own.

The 6-foot, 213-pound North Shore High School product is already a state champion in Texas' highest classification, having led his team a year ago with 1,483 yards and 27 touchdowns. North Shore finished the year with an undefeated record in 6A, winning the state championship on a Hail Mary.



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Evans' recruitment promises to be a contentious one.

Texas currently leads in the Crystal Ball with 43 percent of the projections, followed by Texas A&M (29 percent) and Oklahoma State (14 percent). Make no mistake, though, this will be a national recruitment. Evans showed heavy early interest in Alabama and LSU, and he recently visited Georgia and Tennessee.

Evans runs a verified 4.5-second 40-yard dash, but his real strength is his vision and suddenness in the open field.

If Evans were to hold on to the No. 1 spot in the 247Sports Composite rankings, he'd be just the fourth running back ever to hold that title joining **Adrian Peterson**, **Joe McKnight** and **Leonard Fournette**.

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The Top247 rankings for the 2020 cycle are currently led by Maryland defensive end **Bryan Bresee**.

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