The Colony Shocks Lone Star

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It came down to the final seconds, but The Colony Cougars took down state-ranked Lone Star Rangers 21-14.

The Rangers had overcome a 13-0 halftime deficit and taken a 14-13 lead with a 1:52 left in the game. The defense had all but finished it out, pushing the Cougars to fourth and 18 with under ten seconds left.

Then, chaos ensued.

When it seemed like Lone Star would finish out the comeback victory, the Cougars ran the hook and ladder to perfection. With eight seconds remaining, a falling **Keith Miller** pitched it to RB **Myles Price** who outran Lone Star's secondary silencing the home crowd for a final score of 21-14.

The Colony opened the game in shocking fashion, led by the rushing attack of Price, quickly running out to a 13-0 halftime lead over the state-ranked Rangers. Lone Star's defense had been stout all season, only allowing three touchdowns through six games, but on a rainy Friday Night, Price and the Cougars matched that touchdown total in the matter of 48 minutes.

At halftime, Lone Star head coach Jeff Rayburn made the necessary adjustments and opened the second half with a touchdown to make it a six point game.

Colony's offense stalled for much of the second half, unable to put the game away, and opened up an opportunity for a comeback in the final five minutes. Sure enough, QB Julian Larry found **Marvin Mims** in the final two minutes for 57-yard touchdown to take a one point lead, their first lead of the night.

It was all in vain, as Colony's trickery erased a potential comeback victory and dropped Lone Star to 5-2 on the season.

The Colony now sits in driver's seat of their division with a 6-1 record and undefeated in district play. Moving forward, they head home with 4-3 Wakeland up next. They'll try to avoid a hangover loss, and look to improve to 5-0 in the district.

For Lone Star, this loss drops them to 3-1 in district play, tied for second with Centennial, with the tiebreaker up next on the schedule. With just three regular season games remaining, the Rangers need to finish strong to stay in playoff contention, as three teams sit below at 2-2 in district play. If Lone Star can't get back on track, they could quickly see themselves on the outside looking in.

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