

Spartans survive weather to shutout Cleburne, 45-0

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Darryn Kindles (right) after one of many sacks on Cleburne's Gunner Hammond (#10)
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The undefeated Cleburne Yellow Jackets got their first real test of the 2018 season on Friday evening against the Burleson Centennial Spartans. That test failed as Jeff Kirven and the Spartans ran over and around the Yellow Jackets to a tune of 45-0.

The match up featured a 1 hour and 9 minute lightning delay. However, the Spartans already had a commanding 21-0 lead thanks to scoring runs of 13 and 54 yards from Kirven, as well as a 72 yard scoring run from Chris Mosley. Spartans DB Darrell Williams setup Kirven's first score after intercepting Gunner Hammond and returning it to the Yellow Jacket 21. Kirven added another 13 yard scoring run in the second half and finished the game with 152 yards on 13 carries. The Spartans also got help from the backups in the scoring department. Backup QB Hank Meyer hit Cole Weidmer on a 27 yard scoring run and Kendall Earheart finished off the scoring for the Spartans with a 3 yard touchdown run.

Cleburne running back Jacob Reynolds ran well, totaling 178 yards on 27 carries. But his 3 fumbles along with turnovers from Gunner Hammond were a punch to the stomach for the Yellow Jackets and they couldn't overcome them. Hammond was harrassed and put

under intense pressure all night, thanks to the Spartan defense. Hammond finished with 3 completions on 10 attempts for 11 passing yards.

Burleson Centennial will travel to Waco next Friday to take on the University Trojans. Cleburne will also be in action next Friday as they'll host **Jase McClellan** and the title contending Aledo Bearcats. Both games are scheduled for a 7:30 kickoff.

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