

Westlake downs Lake Travis in Statement win

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The storyline was set for one of the most historic rivalries in Texas high school football history. After Lake Travis was upset 21-14 by Westlake last season, the Chaparrals were looking to establish a winning streak in the matchup. For five-star Ohio State WR commit **Garrett Wilson** and the Cavaliers, it was their time to exact revenge on last year's shocking loss that ended a 10 game winning streak in the series. Led by quarterback Taylor Anderson the Chaps' defeated the Cavaliers 44-14 in a shocking statement win.

Westlake struck first, four minutes into the game Taylor Anderson found Penny Baker for a 31-yard touchdown.

BOOM! 🎉

The Chaps strike first in a BIG way 😄 @Westlake_Nation 7 @LTHSCavFootball 0
7:42 Q1

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The Hudson Card-Garrett Wilson connection continued to shine, as Card found Wilson for a touchdown less than two minutes later to tie up the game.

It was all Westlake for the rest of the half.

Two field goals by Gabe Lozano and a 36-yard touchdown reception by **Jackson Coker** on a trick play put the Chaparrals up 20-7 at halftime.

Snap. Roll Left. Throw Back. Wait, THROW AGAIN?! 🤔

Westlake pulls one out of their fun & games playbook to extend their lead to double digits 😄 @Westlake_Nation 17 @LTHSCavFootball 7
2:27 Q2

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Lake Travis came out firing after the half until Drew Webster erased their progress with a pick six to extend the Chaps' lead to 20 points.

OH NO!! 😱

With a great opportunity to get back into the game, Lake Travis throws a devastating pick six 😱😱

WESTLAKE IS CRUISING!! @Westlake_Nation 27 @LTHSCavFootball 7
9:15 Q3

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After a fairly scoreless third quarter, things got hectic in the last 30 seconds, kicked off by Anderson's 64-yard rushing touchdown to seemingly end the quarter. On the ensuing kickoff, with 23 seconds left on the clock, **Garrett Wilson** showed why he's so highly touted, with a 100-yard kickoff return to give the Cavaliers some life.

Westlake's defense continued to impress, shutting down the potent Cavalier offense time and again, and they didn't stop in the fourth quarter, as Lake Travis was held scoreless for the remainder of the game.

Anderson added another rushing touchdown to his name midway the fourth quarter and 30-yard field goal by Lozano with under a minute left in the game for a final score of 44-14.

After a 10-game losing streak in the series the Chaps have now won two in a row, this time in dominating fashion. The loss drops the Cavaliers to 6-1 on the season and third in district with a much-needed bye week up next. They'll look to bounce back in two weeks against Del Valle.

For Westlake, they now sit at 5-1 on the season, and tied with Hays for first in the district. The Chaparrals' this was the statement win they needed to establish themselves as contenders. The defense absolutely shut down the electric **Hudson Card** and held **Garrett Wilson** and the rest of the offense to only one touchdown.

"This just made me believe in my defense even more than I already did." said QB Taylor Anderson. "I think we have the best defense in the state and that gave us momentum throughout the whole game"

Three-star defensive end **David Neil** didn't doubt his game plan on bit.

"All we listen to is our game plan, what we're going to do and what we got." Neil said. "Our game plan was sound, what we did was win and what we got was more points at the end of the night and that's all that matters"

Offensively, things couldn't have looked better. Anderson was electric through the air and on the ground, finishing with 235 passing yards, 155 rushing yards and three total touchdowns. Anderson is undefeated as a starter against Lake Travis, a feat many great Westlake quarterbacks can't share.

Head coach **Todd Dodge** was impressed

"We're trying to make this game a rivalry. We beat a fabulous football team tonight."

Moving forward, the Chaparrals will visit Del Valle on Thursday, Oct. 18, and they'll look to build off their big win

"Tonight was tonight." Dodge said. "The next time we play it'll be about respecting your opponent and playing as well as we did tonight, and then it'll be on to the next week."

"I think we left it all on the field" Neil said. "As a senior I wouldn't take this day back for anything"