



Coaches Corner

Crean Lutheran Saints (10 - 0) vs. Leuzinger (8-1)
CIF Playoffs Round One
Friday, November 7, 2025

God's blessings to all as the Saints host the Leuzinger Olympians in the first round of the CIF Southern Section Division Two playoffs on Friday evening, November 7, at 7:00 p.m. at Saints Stadium. The winner meets the winner of the Chaparral vs. Chaminade game at a site to be determined on Friday, November 14, in the CIF SS quarterfinals.

In last week's game, the Saints came out on fire and never looked back against the Laguna Hills Hawks in a 50 - 7 victory that secured the first outright football league championship in CLHS history.

The defensive line consistently put pressure on the Laguna Hills offense, controlling the line of scrimmage and helping the first unit shut out the Hawks for the first two and a half quarters of the game. Defensive lineman of the game, James "Tank" Carrington, led the charge, along with Ryder Barnes, Yaya Foster, Toa Nansen, and Anthony Jones. Defensive player of the game, Aaron Nicasio, was all over the field again, recording seven tackles, one sack, and a tackle for a loss. Overall player of the game, Evan Mack, shut down the receivers with two passes broken up to go along with several tackles on kickoff coverage.

Offensively, Caden Jones threw four touchdown passes, two to Ty Johnson, one to Taiga Takada, and one to the offensive player of the game, Bryce Coleman. Coleman had six receptions for 68 yards to go along with his touchdown reception. Sophomore Luca Amaya had two rushing touchdowns, and Caleb Bey scored on a 48-yard tackle-breaking run down the sideline. Offensive lineman of the game, Adonijah Moenoa, led the offensive line in protecting the quarterback and opening up sizeable holes for the running backs.

Special teams' player of the week, Damari Hall, had a dazzling 35-yard punt return and made a couple of key tackles on kickoff coverage. Eric Miao made all six of his PATs (points after touchdown) and added several booming kickoffs to back up the Hawks deep in their own territory to start their offensive drives. Luke Kyser had a 36-yard average on his two punts for the evening.

Whatever the task, work at it with all your heart, as if working for the Lord and not for man.
Colossians 3:23