



ROSSVILLE

BULLDAWG FOOTBALL

GAME SEVEN:

ROSSVILLE BULLDAWGS
vs MISSION VALLEY VIKINGS
District Game – Class 3A, District 5
Rossville High School – Rossville, KS
October 10th, 2008 - 7:00pm

2008 Schedule and Results:

S5	Wellsville	W, 56-8
S12	at Riley County	L, 14-34
S19	at Silver Lake	L, 0-47
S26	at St. Marys	L, 13-21
O3	Rock Creek (HC)	L, 14-43
O10	Wabaunsee	W, 56-8
<i>2008 Districts</i>		
O17	Mission Valley	7:00pm
O24	at Council Grv.	7:00pm
O30	at Northern Hts.	7:00pm
<i>2008 Playoffs</i>		
N4	Bi-Districts	tba
N8	Regionals	tba
N14	Sectionals	tba
N21	Sub-State	tba
N29	State	tba

'Dawgs to Test District Win Streak Against 'Vikes on Senior Night
On the heels of their second fifty-point outburst of the season, Rossville will enter District play on Friday night by welcoming the undefeated Vikings of Mission Valley to the Dawghouse. In Class 3A's 5th District Bracket, Rossville and Mission Valley will be joined by Northern Heights and Council Grove with two teams advancing to the Class 3A State Football Championship Tournament. The Bulldawgs, who have appeared in the playoffs for six consecutive seasons, have won 16 straight district games, the longest streak of any Mid-East League team dating back to the 2002 season. Mission Valley, a-top the Flint Hills League standings, will try to end a 17-game losing streak to Rossville, last besting the 'Dawgs in 1986. With Senior Night festivities prior, the game will be a tape delay broadcast on Rossville's local cable channel (Galaxy, 29). In his 11th season as voice of the Dawgs, Tony Eakin will call the action with analyst Brett Eakin.



BROADCAST ON CHANNEL 29
TAPE DELAY – SUNDAY, OCT. 19TH, 7PM

Rossville Bulldawgs

Record: 2-4 (NR, Class 3A)
League: 1-4, 5th, Mid-East
Coach: Steve Buhler
11th year - 78-42, 120 gms, 65%
vs. Mission Valley - 10-0, 10 gms.

Mission Valley Vikings

Record: 6-0 (NR, Class 2A)
League: 5-0, 1st, Flint Hills
Coach: Lee Weber
3rd year - 16-9, 25 gms, 64%
vs. Rossville - 0-3, 3 gms.

Dawgs When: (2008 Numbers)

At Home	2-1
On the Road	0-3
Lead at Half	2-0
Trail at Half	0-4
Scoring First	2-1
Come-from-behind	0-3

vs. Mission Valley:

Series (Since '71)	26-6-0
Current Streak	Won17
v. Flint-Hills League ('02)	10-0

In Districts: (Since 2002)

District Record	16-1
At Home	7-0
Districts v. Mission Vily.	4-0
Last Win '08 v. N. Hts. (35-27)	
Last Loss '02 v. S. Lake (14-32)	

Worth Noting:

Dominating Districts: With last season's sweep of district play, Rossville has now won 16 district contests in a row, making it the longest active streak in the Mid-East League and one of the longest in Class 3A. The last loss coming in 2002.

Sliding Down the Bracket: With the new district classifications announced for 2008-2009 football seasons, Rossville moved to Class 3A's District 5. Mission Valley and Northern Heights also moved with the 'Dawgs from bracket 4 the last two seasons. Council Grove replaces Osage City in the four-team round-robin format.

CLASS 3A – DISTRICT 5

Team	Record	Districts	Pts
Northern Heights	(4-2)	(0-0)	+0
Council Grove	(4-2)	(0-0)	+0
Mission Valley	(6-0)	(0-0)	+0
Rossville	(2-4)	(0-0)	+0

Carrying with Cooper: Senior tailback Robert Cooper continues to be called on for the Bulldawg offense. Copper set a new career high in rushing attempts last week against Wabaunsee with 22 after he tied his previous career high the week before against Rock Creek with 16. In both games, Cooper has rushed for an average of 138yards and 2 TDs.

High Five: Rossville's five rushing touchdowns last week set a new season high. The last time the 'Dawgs rushed for five scores was last November at Rock Creek in the playoffs.



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Dawgs vs. Mission Valley:

Series:

Rossville leads 26-6-0 since 1971
 Last Rossville Win: 2007, 42-7
 Last Mission Valley Win: 1986, 7-42
 Current Streak: Rossville Won 17
 Longest Win Streak: 17 ('87-'07)
 Longest Loss Streak: 4 ('73-'77)
 Largest Margin of Victory: 69 ('96)
 Last time in the series....
 MV was shutout: 2002, 38-0
 RHS was shutout: 1974, 0-14
 MV scored 20+: 1986, 7-42
 RHS scored 20+: 2007: 42-7

Tale of the Tape:

	Ross	MV
Record	2-4	6-0
at Home	2-1	3-0
on the Road	0-3	3-0
Pts/Gm	25.5	31.7
Opp Pts/Gm	26.8	6.7
Pts Forced	153	190
Pts Allowed	161	40
Rush/Gm	107.0	258.0
Pass/Gm	137.2	67.2
Total/Gm	244.2	325.2

Last Meeting:

Rossville 42, Mission Valley 7
 October 12, 2007 – Districts
 at Mission Valley – Eskridge, KS

	1	2	3	4	Fin
R	21	6	7	8	42
MV	0	0	0	7	7

Senior quarterback Ethan Brown ran for two touchdowns (15, 27) and threw for two more (40, 55), leading Rossville to their 17th straight win over the Vikings and 13th straight win in district play. A hour-long weather delay factored throughout the night.

Worth Noting: (continued)

Dawgs In Depth:

Rossville, with a 50-point lead, did not attempt a pass in the second half last week against Wabaunsee...Mitch Buhler's touchdown pass to Matt Buhler was the second consecutive game the brother combination hooked-up for a score... Tanner Cady scored twice last week, once receiving and once on defense; Cady is the second Bulldawg to record touchdowns three different ways this season the other rushing; the other Dawg is Spensor Askren (passing, rushing, receiving)

Mission Valley Schedule & Results

S5	at Wabaunsee	W, 28-0
S12	Lyndon	W, 49-7
S19	Chase County	W, 27-6
S26	at Herington	W, 26-0
O3	West Franklin	W, 28-21
O10	at Osage City	W, 32-6
O17	at Rossville	
O24	Northern Hts	
O30	Council Grove	

Scouting the Vikings: Mission Valley was 4-5 a season ago...eight returning starters on offense...six on defense...won three of last five games after 1-3 start...Sommer was first-team all-league on the defensive line and had 57 tackles...Rutledge was first-team at defensive back for the second straight year after making 41 tackles... Branch threw for 393 yards and completed 56 percent of his passes...Players to

Watch: Dalton Branch, QB-FS, 6-2, 175, sr.; Jess Rutledge, RB-CB, 5-6, 155, sr.; Auston Sommer, OT-DT, 5-10, 220, sr.; Kyle Riggins, C, 5-7, 200, sr.

Week 6 Recap: Cooper, 'Dawgs Down Wabaunsee for 23rd Straight Time

Rossville turned five of their seven first half possessions into touchdowns and senior tailback Robert Copper ran for over 100 yards for the second consecutive game as the Bulldawgs routed Wabaunsee, 56-8. With sophomore quarterback Mitch Buhler getting the starting nod, the 'Dawgs took the opening drive 76 yards down the field amassing almost 7 minutes

before Buhler found junior wide out Matt Buhler from 8 yards out

for the initial score. But it was the running game that dominated the contest as Cooper broke loose for a 60-yard scamper to the one-yard line before collecting his fifth rushing touchdown of the season on the second drive. Cooper rushed for 116 yards on 13 carries in the first quarter alone before finishing with 167 yards on the night. Mitch Buhler, making his first start under center, went 6-of-10 for 111 yards and a pair of touchdowns (8, 24), both in the first half to take a 35-0 halftime lead. The second half was much of the same as a running clock kept the possessions limited. A pair of junior tailback Sawyer Askren touchdowns (6, 47) in the third quarter, plus a 36-yard fumble recovery for a touchdown by junior Tanner Cady gave Rossville their second 50-point output of the season. The Bulldawgs piled up 364 yards of total offense, 253 yards on the ground and 5 rushing touchdowns, to defeat the Chargers for the 23rd straight meeting between the two.

	1	2	3	4	Final
Wab	0	0	0	8	8
Ross	14	21	21	0	56

Mi. Buhler, RHS: 6-of-10, 111 yds, 2 TDs

R. Cooper, RHS: 22 carries, 167 yds, 2 TDs



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Projected Starting Offense:

QB	#11 Mitch Buhler	So.
TB	#41 Robert Cooper	Sr.
FB	#21 Sawyor Askren	Jr.
WR	#4 Nick Guindon	Sr.
TE	#1 Tanner Cady	Jr.
TE	#3 Matt Buhler	Jr.
LT	#72 Tyler Pletcher	Sr.
LG	#62 Jacob Crow	Sr.
C	#53 Riley Martinson	So.
RG	#54 Colton Gentry	Jr.
RT	#76 Jake Grant	Sr.

Player Profiles:

RB #41 - Robert Cooper Sr.

- New season and career highs set last week vs. Wabunsee, 167 rushing yards on 22 carries
- Averaging 84.3 yds per game
- Three straight weeks with a rushing touchdown, 6 total
- Surpassed last years rushing total in first six games (2007: 502 yards, 4 touchdowns)

QB #11 - Mitch Buhler So.

- Made first start of career as Bulldawg quarterback last week
- Second 100-yard passing game of season and career last week vs. Wabunsee, first was in Wk1
- Did not attempt a pass in the second half vs. Wabunsee
- 8-of-17 completions have gone to older brother Matt Buhler, 2 TDs

WR #3 - Matt Buhler Jr.

- Has a reception in every game this season, team-leading 18 total
- Third consecutive game with a receiving TD, second straight week it came from Mitch Buhler
- Needs 208 yards receiving for Dawg Top 10 List

SB #16 - Spensor Askren Sr.

- Has scored a touchdown rushing, receiving, and passing

Bulldawg Offense:

2008 Game-By-Game:

		ROSSVILLE				OPPONENT			
Opponent	W/L	Plys	Pass	Rush	Total	Plys	Pass	Rush	Total
Wellsv	W	58	297	247	544	52	68	45	113
RileyCo	L	46	74	116	190	59	157	115	272
SilverLa	L	44	125	20	145	47	205	247	452
StMarys	L	40	116	38	154	65	77	149	226
RockCrk	L	34	74	113	187	55	372	71	443
Wab	W	41	111	253	364	42	58	100	158
AVG	2-4	43.8	132.8	131.2	264	53.3	156.2	121.2	277

2008 Statistics:

PASSING

#	Player	Com	Att	C%	Yds	Y/G	Int	TD	Long
11	Mitch Buhler	15	26	.577	284	71.0	1	4	40
16	Spensor Askren	25	64	.391	516	86.0	3	3	77
	TEAM	40	90	.444	800	133	4	7	77

RUSHING

#	Player	Carries	Yards	YPC	Long	TD	Y/G
41	Robert Cooper	71	506	7.13	60	6	84.3
21	Sawyor Askren	26	202	7.77	47	3	33.7
1	Tanner Cady	6	40	6.67	16	1	6.7
16	Spensor Askren	39	7	0.18	21	2	1.2
11	Mitch Buhler	2	-9	-4.50	2	0	-2.3
	TEAM	163	764	4.69	60	12	127.3

RECEIVING

#	Player	Rec	Yards	YPR	Long	TD	Y/G
3	Matt Buhler	18	385	21.4	77	4	64.2
4	Nick Guindon	7	146	20.9	40	1	29.2
1	Tanner Cady	7	111	15.9	29	1	18.5
12	Derek Hammer	7	106	15.1	30	0	21.2
16	Spensor Askren	2	50	25.0	35	2	8.3
	TEAM	41	798	19.5	77	8	133

SCORING LEADERS

#	Player	TDs	PATs	2-pt	FG	Sft	Total	Pts/G
41	Robert Cooper	6	1				37	6.2
3	Matt Buhler	4		2			26	4.3
	TEAM	22	19	2			153	25.5



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Projected Starting Defense:

DE	#62 Jacob Crow	Sr.
DE	#57 Jake Grant	Sr.
NG	#2 Cody Seematter	Sr.
DT	#66 Matt Fischer	Sr.
DT	#77 Michael Thomas	Sr.
LB	#41 Robert Cooper	Sr.
LB	#21 Sawyor Askren	Jr.
LB	#16 Spensor Askren	Sr.
CB	#3 Matt Buhler	Jr.
FS	#12 Derek Hammer	Jr.
SS	#1 Tanner Cady	Jr.

Player Profiles:

LB #41 - Robert Cooper Sr.

- Leads team in tackles with 50 on the season, 8.3 per game
- Has three games with 10 tackles or more, team-lead
- 2 sacks this season, tied for lead
- 16 tackles in Wk2 vs. Riley County is season, career high

DE #57 - Jake Grant Sr.

- Averages 7.4 tackles per game
- Picked up first sack of the season last week vs. Wabaunsee

CB #1 - Tanner Cady Jr.

- Fumble recovery for a touchdown last week vs. Wabaunsee, first defense TD of career
- Second defensive TD for Dawgs this season, Wk2 vs. Riley County

CB #16 - Spensor Askren Sr.

- 3 INTs this season, including one last week, team-leader
- Needs two more INTs to enter Dawg Top Ten List for a season

S #3 - Matt Buhler Jr.

- Picked up his sixth interception of career and first of season in Wk4 vs. St. Marys, 5 as a Sophomore

Bulldawg Defense:

2008 Statistics:

TACKLES							
#	Player	Tckl	Asst	Total	Tck/G	Sacks	INTs
41	Robert Cooper	35	15	50	8.3	2.0	
57	Jake Grant	32	5	27	7.4	1.0	
3	Matt Buhler	20	11	31	5.2	2.0	1
16	Spensor Askren	23	3	26	4.3		3
21	Sawyor Askren	21	4	25	4.2	1.0	
12	Derek Hammer	14	6	20	4.0		
62	Jacob Crow	12	1	13	3.3		
TEAM		218	59	277	46.2	8.0	6

Bulldawg Special Teams:

2008 Statistics:

PUNTS						
#	Player	Punts	Yds	Avg.	Long	In20
1	Tanner Cady	17	536	31.53	42	1
11	Mitch Buhler	4	116	29.00	35	2

PUNT RETURNS

#	Player	Returns	FC	Yds	Avg	Long
16	Spensor Askren	5	2	9	1.80	8
1	Tanner Cady	4		28	7.00	18

KICKOFFS

#	Player	KO	Yds	Long	TB
11	Mitch Buhler	15	649	53	1
41	Robert Cooper	10	475	59	0

KICKOFF RETURNS

#	Player	Returns	Yds	Avg	Long
1	Tanner Cady	9	180	20.0	27
16	Spensor Askren	7	144	20.57	29

PATs

#	Player	Made	Attempts	2-Pt Conv	Attempts
11	Mitch Buhler	18	19		
41	Robert Cooper	1	2		
TEAM		19	21	1	1