

PREP FOOTBALL CATCHING UP WITH KANAWHA'S AAA CONTENDERS CAPITAL, GW BOUNCE BACK; RIVERSIDE STUMBLES ON ROAD

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Both Capital and George Washington righted themselves with bounce-back games Friday. Riverside can only hope it does the same this week.

The Patriots (2-1) and Cougars (1-2) posted wins Friday after suffering losses the previous week. Riverside (2-1), however, was upset by previously winless Woodrow Wilson 17-6.

GW, meanwhile, needed to wipe out painful memories of a 28-21 loss to South Charleston the previous week - a game in which the Patriots had a 21-14 lead and the ball with less than four minutes remaining in the game. Two fumbles sparked SC's comeback.

The Patriots did just that Friday, overwhelming shorthanded **Nitro** 42-7 at Underwood Field. GW vaulted into a 35-0 lead by halftime and rolled up 515 yards of offense. Both Ryan Switzer (133) and Felix Mollett (110) went over the 100-yard rushing mark for the Patriots.

GW's defense was just as dominant, holding the Wildcats (0-3) to only 159 net yards and 3-of-14 third-down conversions. **Nitro** quarterbacks completed but 5-of-20 passes for 18 yards with an interception and were sacked three times. The Wildcats played without starting QB Mark Chandler, who sat out a one-game suspension after being ejected from the previous week's game.

Junior defensive end Cody Clay led Patriots defenders with 2 1/2 sacks and 5 1/2 tackles for loss.

GW gets another stiff test this week when it plays host to unbeaten Spring Valley (3-0) at Steve Edwards Sr. Field in South Hills.