

THIRD-PLACE GAME

PROSSER 41, OTHELLO 14: At Grandview, Prosser appears to be hitting its stride on both sides of the ball at just the right time.

Junior quarterback Will Weinman found his comfort level in the up-tempo offense the Mustangs switched to midseason, with running backs JR Coleman and Kord Tuttle offering plenty of help on the ground. A dynamic pass rush kept Ephrata's offense from finding any sort of rhythm as Prosser dominated from the start.

"I just think our stack and the way that we move and the way that we shift just causes a lot of problems for some teams and they don't always know where we're coming from," coach Corey Ingvalson said. "Our guys are kind of physical, kind of sneaky physical."

Ephrata's explosive offense couldn't score for three quarters until Prosser's starters finally headed to the bench. The Tigers only reached the red zone once, only to see defensive back Andre Vanguardia immediately intercept a pass in the end zone.

Chase Courtney added another key weapon to the offense, as he showed with a 41-yard touchdown catch down the sideline to put Prosser ahead 14-0 in the first quarter. He finished with a game-high 110 yards on seven catches.

Coleman rushed for 125 yards on 19 carries and scored twice, while Tuttle added 76 yards and a touchdown. Ingvalson said the two tailbacks complement each other well for Prosser (7-2), which will carry a five-game win streak into its winner-to-state crossover game next week against Pullman.

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P — Levi Vermulm 30 pass from Will Weinman (Ricardo Herrera kick)

P — Chase Courtney 41 pass from Weinman (Herrera kick)

P — Kord Tuttle 1 run (kick failed)

P — JR Coleman 1 run (Herrera kick)

P — Coleman 1 run (Herrera kick)

P — Logan Candanoza 10 run (Herrera kick)

E — Blake Larkin 15 pass from Zach Berryman (Josh Benthem kick)

E — Ethan Etter 13 pass from Trenton Kleyn (Benthem kick)

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING — Prosser, Coleman 19-125, Tuttle 8-76, Candanoza 1-10, Weinman 1-(minus-2), Jorge Uribe 2-(minus-3), Paul Hudak 2-(minus-2), Team 1-(minus-1). Ephrata, Zac Berryman 10-22, Leeland Burleson 8-29, Brydon Prescott 1-3, Mac Laird 1-(minus-2).

PASSING — Prosser, Weinmann 16-19-0-230. Ephrata, Berryman 21-30-1-159, Trenton Kleyn 3-4-0-45.

RECEIVING — Prosser, Courtney 7-110, Vermulm 3-57, Tyler Durbin 2-26, Jordan Garcia 2-18, Haden Hicks 1-10, Anthony Kernan 1-9. Ephrata, Jacob Oxos 6-66, Hunter James 5-48, Chris Walker 5-35, Blake Larkin 4-29, Burleson, Chase Lus 1-28, Etter 1-13, Kolton Judkins 1-4, Josh Benthem 1-3.