The Avery High Vikings saw their dream season come to a crashing halt on Friday night at MacDonald Stadium.

And it came against a familiar foe, the Mitchell Mountaineers (8-6), who ironically also play in the Western Highlands 1A/2A Confernce. The Mountaineers, who dropped a 14-7 decision at Avery (10-4) in the regular-season finale on November 5, got their revenge Friday night as they eliminated the top-seeded Vikings 47-22 in the western semifinals.
The win moves Mitchell into the western finals next Friday night. The Mountaineers, a No.7, will now play on the road against Albermarle, the No.2 seed. Albermarle advanced to the western finals by knocking off Monroe, 31-13.
Mitchell didn't waste any time putting the contest out of reach as the Mountaineers grabbed a commanding 21-7 lead in the opening stanza. It was 28-14 at the halftime break. Quarterback Justin Hughes and running back Shawn Jackson did most of the damage for the Mountaineers. Hughes ran 20 times for 134 yards and scored four touchdowns; Jackson had 23 carries for 205 yards and three scores. The Vikings had 371 yards offensively, including 349 on the ground. Quarterback Alex Villanueva struggled. He was 7-19 for 72 yards; He also threw four interception. One bright spot for the Vikings came in the first quarter when Hunter sheilds returned a kick-off 99 yards for a touchdown.

In other games:

4AA EAST

Wake Forest-Rolesville 40, Garner 21

4AA MIDEAST

Panther Creek 35, Fay. Seventy-First 32

4AA MIDWEST

Butler 48, Richmond Senior 21

4AA WEST

Vance 10, Mallard Creek 7

4A EAST

SE Raleigh at New Bern, 6 p.m. today

4A MIDEAST

Durham Hillside 42, Lee County 22

4A MIDWEST

Davie County 18, High Point Central 15

4A WEST

Porter Ridge 24, Asheville Reynolds 21

3AA EAST

Wilson Hunt 14, Northern Nash 7

3AA MIDEAST

N. Guilford 35, Ral. Cardinal Gibbons 10

3AA MIDWEST

Char. Catholic 45, Kannapolis Brown 7

3AA WEST

Crest 52, Asheville Erwin 21

3A EAST

Havelock d. S. Brunswick, forfeit

3A MIDEAST

E. Alamance 38, NE Guilford 7

3A MIDWEST

W. Rowan 48, Concord 28

3A WEST

Lenoir Hibriten 31, Asheville 20

2AA EAST

Elizabeth City Northeastern 35, Bunn 7

2AA MIDEAST

Cedar Ridge 28, Pittsboro Northwood 20

2AA MIDWEST

Salisbury 45, Berry 35

2AA WEST

Shelby 28, Wilkes Central 3

2A EAST

Tarboro 13, East Duplin 10

2A MIDEAST

East Bladen 56, Carrboro 48

2A MIDWEST

W-S Carver 45, Burlington Cummings 14

2A WEST

Lincolnton 28, Polk County 14

1AA EAST

SW Onslow 38, Ayden-Grifton 6

1AA MIDEAST

Pender County 28, Goldsboro 8

1AA MIDWEST

Albemarle 31, Monroe 13

1AA WEST

Mitchell County 47, Avery County 22

1A EAST

Plymouth 36, Manteo 32

1A MIDEAST

Wallace-Rose Hill 50, N'hampton-West 7

1A MIDWEST

Hobbton 20, Roseboro Lakewood 19

1A WEST

Murphy 42, Robbinsville 7

In women's basketball, R-S Central 65, Avery 56, the Avery women are 0-2.