

## **Vikings Lose Fifth Straight**

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The woes continue for the Avery High football team. The Vikings (2-5 overall; 0-3 Western Highlands 1A/2A Conference) suffered their fifth straight loss Friday night at home against Hendersonville. The Bearcats (6-1; 3-0), led by Grant

Rivers, who ran for 154 yards and two touchdowns, defeated the Vikings 19-0 at MacDonald Stadium. The Bearcats ran for 269 yards and piled up 351 yards of offense. In turn, the Vikings were held to 133 yards, including 57 on the ground. Luke Childress led Avery with 64 rushing yards. Matthew Parce paced Hendersonville defensively with four tackles-for-loss. Rivers broke a scoreless tie with a one-yard run in the second quarter that capped off a nine-play, 52-yard drive. The Vikings hope to rebound next week when they travel to Polk County.

## **HUSKIES FALLS SHORT AGAINST NORTH**

The Ashe County High football team just can't seem to buy a break of late. The Huskies (2-5 overall; 1-3 in the Mountain Valley 1A/2A Conference) dropped a 15-13 decision at North Wilkes Friday night. Ashe County had its chances to win the game. But the Huskies failed on both of their attempts to take the lead in the final two minutes of the game.

The Vikings partially blocked a field goal and the Huskies turned the ball over on downs to end the game. The Huskies return home to play Alleghany next Friday night.