

Vikings Dump Madison, 25-14

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Quarterback Alex Villanueva ran for 66 yards and passed for 100 yards as the Avery High football team defeated Madison 25-14 on the road Friday night.

Villanueva hooked up with Hunter Shields on an 88-yard bomb with 8:57 to play in the first half that gave the Vikings (5-4 overall; 2-3 Western Highlands 1A/2A Conference) a 10-7 lead. Tyler Hoffman's 22-yard scamper with three minutes left in the second quarter gave Madison (4-4; 1-4) a 14-10 halftime lead.

But the Vikings jumped back in front for good on Thomas Moore's one-yard run with 14 seconds left in the third period. Dustin Clark's 18-yard fumble return in the final stanza put the contest out of reach. Clark also had a 32-yard field goal in the first quarter.

Madison outgained Avery 342-211, but the Patriots turned ball over twice and they committed 14 penalties for 165 yards. Avery had ten penalties for 95 yards.

Hoffman ran for 153 yards and a touchdown to pace the Patriots running game. Madison ran for 227 yards. Shields caught three passes for 93 yards and a score to pace Avery.

The Vikings return home to play Mountain Heritage next Friday night. It will also be Senior Night for the Vikings.

FRIDAY'S GAME

AVERY 25, MADISON 14

MITCHELL 31, MOUNTAIN HERITAGE 28

POLK COUNTY 48, THOMAS JEFFERSON 27

HENDERSONVILLE 41, BLACK MOUNTAIN OWEN 17

WESTERN HIGHLAND CONFERENCE STANDINGS

MITCHELL	4-1; 8-1
HENDERSONVILLE	4-1; 7-2
POLK COUNTY	4-1; 7-2
OWEN	3-2; 3-6
MOUNTAIN HERITAGE	2-3; 4-4
AVERY	2-3; 4-5
MADISON	1-4; 4-4
THOMAS JEFFERSON	0-5; 0-9