

## **Watauga Season Ends With Loss to Mt. Tabor**

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The Watauga High School Pioneers saw their 2007 season end Friday evening with a loss at home to powerful Mt. Tabor, 36-14. The visitors raced to a 30-0 lead by early in the second half, allowing the Pioneers just one first down and 38 yards of offense in the first half.

Mt. Tabor, Western Division champions of the 4A Conference, advances to the state 4A championship game next week in Winston-Salem. With an attack featuring threats from both the pass and the run, Mt. Tabor proved unstoppable against a Watauga attack built almost exclusively on the running prowess of Eric Breitenstein. Watauga quickly became undone in the opening minutes of the game--beginning with a safety on a poor hike on its first punt, continuing with two touchdown drives by Mt. Tabor before the first quarter whistle.

Watauga finished with a record of 11-4, and with its second straight visit to the western conference championship: a sterling accomplishment, and cause for pride in the High Country.