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Weekly Warpath

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Domination, Part 3!

Let's not sugarcoat it, Indian Nation – beating Colerain 34-7 last week was a big deal for our school, community, fans, and alumni. However, if you think that is the end-all-be-all, and this team is satisfied ... well, you are sorely mistaken. This team is mature enough to understand that each week we are not only trying to stack wins, but also stack improving performances so that when we need our best ... we are **READY!** Dominating a proud program like Colerain is a big step in the right direction.

The defense was absolutely lights out Friday night. These cats are big, fast and explosive and are finding a swagger about them that is becoming contagious throughout the team. Up front, senior DL **James Thomas** (6 tackles, 2 TFL) was dominant – borderline unblockable. He is big, strong and explosive, commands double teams and then is strong enough to split those doubles and create havoc in the backfield. Junior LB **Dorian Soriano** (6 tackles, 1 TFL, 1.5 sacks) and senior LB **Matthew Humbarger** (7 tackles, 2 TFL, 1 sack) lived in the Cardinal backfield all night long. Senior S **Ray Coney** (8 tackles, 3 TFL, 1 sack) along with senior DBs **Josiah Jackson** (3 tackles, 0 passes completed) and **Ki'Arran Love** (1 interception) made life miserable for the Cards' QB, allowing only 50 passing yards. Coney is becoming one of the more disruptive defensive players in our conference with his size, speed and length. This group is getting better each and every week and has a chance to be really, really special!

Our offense is physical and explosive. It was utter domination up front as our Indians rushed for over 400 yards and saw two backs break the 100-yard barrier. The

offensive line was challenged after the Wayne game to improve ... and ... so far so good! Leading the ground attack were senior RB **Jordan Jackson** (27 carries, 234 yds., 1 TD) and junior QB **Talon Fisher** (8/154 yds., 3 TD), who both have the ability to “take it to the house” any time they touch the ball. The big-play ability of our entire offense really puts pressure on a defense to be perfect and if they aren't ... well, you saw what happened.

Obviously, the offensive line is one part of our success running the ball, but it really is a total team effort. Our wide receivers' willingness to block and really take pride in that part of their game makes this offense really special. Senior WRs **Mike Figgins** and **Isaiah Glover**, plus junior **Braeden Shanklin** and sophomore **Noah King**, are an unselfish crew who are as talented as any receiving corps that we have had in recent years. Junior “Swiss Army Knife” RB **Juesters Fataki** can also be added to the list of players who are super-talented and willing to do anything it takes to help the team win. He does it all; he can run it, catch it and blocks his tail off every week. While some of these young men may not have eye-popping stat lines, their role is invaluable and we don't win games without them.

Our Indians return to Alumni Stadium this Friday, Sept. 9, to take on the Sycamore Aviators. We cannot wait to play in front of The Tribe – the best student section in the state – and continue to make all of Indian Nation Proud! **#MasonStrong #UAW #LLA6 #FairfieldBuilt #RollTribe**

