

Bulldogs Fall to the Coyotes

By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains High School football team dropped to a 2-2 record with a 56-6 loss to the Weskan Coyotes on a Friday afternoon in Weskan. The Coyotes, who now hold a 4-0 record, controlled the first quarter as they scored their first touchdown after several skirmishes with the Bulldogs. Following a Bulldog turnover on downs, the Coyotes quickly added another to their side of the boards. As the first quarter clock wound down, they increased their lead to 22-0. The Bulldog defense held strong throughout the second as neither team was able to cross into the end zone until about one minute until half when the Coyotes finally crossed the line and completed a PAT pass to lead 30-0 at the break.

The Bulldogs kicked off to the Coyote to start the third quarter and held them off for several minutes as the Coyotes worked their way down the field. Finally crossing the line upped the Coyote lead, but the Bulldogs were able to prevent the two-point conversion. Andrew Luna answered back with a 66-yard touchdown run for the only visiting score of the game. Finally in the game with a 6-36 spread, the Bulldogs allowed yet another Coyote touchdown to end the third quarter trailing 6-42.

Shortly into the fourth, the Coyotes added a 2-yard touchdown and a completed PAT pass to gain an even larger lead. Capturing possession back from the visiting Bulldog team, the hometown Coyotes finished the game with one final touchdown and PAT and a final score of 56-6.

Andrew Luna, who rushed for 122 yards for the Bulldogs, said, "We did not come to play." Other gains were made by Chance Hoeting-16, Josh Barnhart-7, and Tristan Schwarz-2. Jose Bermudez received for 15 and Joseph Koerperich received for 7 of the 22 yards thrown by Grant Spresser. Jesus Garcia grabbed one fumble recovery. The Bulldogs squad claimed 40 tackles coming from Hoeting-8, A. Luna-6, Garcia-5, Zach Spresser-4, Camron Spresser-4, Schwarz-2, Barnhart-2, Bermudez-2, and Domonic Luna-1. The Bulldogs will return home to face the Cheylin Cougars on September 28.