

# Westphalia Beats the Badgers 28-13

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Facing its toughest test of the year so far, Westphalia stretched its record to 4-0 last Thursday night with a 28-13 win in Buckholts. Blue Jays quarterback Tyler Willberg threw three touchdown passes and the defense forced four turnovers as Westphalia rushed out to a 21-0 lead before Buckholts responded with 13 points of their own. It was not until a Willberg to Dawson Hering touchdown in the fourth quarter before the Blue Jays were able to seal the deal.

The game began as a defensive struggle as both defensive lines controlled the first two series. On the Blue Jays third possession, Willberg connected with Andrew Fajardo for a thirty yard touchdown pass. Ross Ashford added the extra point run giving the Jays a 7-0 lead. On the ensuing kickoff, Fajardo forced a Badger fumble which set up the Jays with good starting field position. This time, the Willberg to Fajardo connection stuck again as Willberg hit Fajardo on a slant pass while two Badger defenders hung onto Willberg's legs. The Ashford extra point run gave the Jays a 14-0 lead. The Blue Jays scored again in the half, this time on a Fajardo run which saw him cut against the grain and race for a 60 yard touchdown. This time a Dawson Hering to Tyler Willberg pass gave the Jays a 21-0 lead. Buckholts did manage to cut into the lead when a Badger running back broke containment and raced down the left side for a 40 yard touchdown run. The Blue Jays were able to stuff the extra point attempt and went into half with a 21-6 lead.

Westphalia's plan to open up the game the second half backfired when they fumbled on the opening series of the second half. However, a Fajardo interception gave the ball back to the Jays. After a Blue Jay punt, Buckholts was able to score a touchdown to cut the lead to 21-13. The next Blue Jay drive was marred by multiple penalties as their fourth down pass was just short and the Blue Jays were forced to turn the ball over on downs. The defense was able to step up again as defensive back Evan Randazzo intercepted a Badger pass and gave the ball back to the offense. The Blue Jays were able to give themselves breathing room when Willberg hit end Dawson Hering for a 15-yard touchdown pass. The Ashford extra point run made it 28-13. The Blue Jays Latham Hoff intercepted a Buckholts pass and a Badger turnover on downs allowed the Jays to take a knee and run out the clock.

Having a strong game for the Blue Jays on offense were Joe Arney, who had one catch for 15 yards, and Luis Vazquez who exhibited strong blocking all night. Defensively, Fajardo and Willberg led the way, with Collin Duskocil, Teran Willberg, Ross Ashford, Evan Randazzo, and Brett Willberg adding strong performances.

Westphalia plays again today at Aquilla. Kickoff is 5 p.m.