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Del Valle	L	41-6
Santa Teresa	W	22-18
Irvin	L	13-6
Bowie	W	14-6
Chapin	L	50-7
El Paso	L	13-6
Canutillo	L	40-0
Jefferson	W	18-14
Andress	W	28-12
Austin	L	28-0
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Americas	\/\/	29-18

Americas	W	29-18
Santa Teresa	W	51-0
Irvin	W	55-0
Bowie	W	23-15
Chapin	W	42-32
El Paso	W	20-0
Canutillo	W	18-6

Jefferson

Andress

Austin

W 41-0

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EYE ON SIX

Upset with being behind, sophomore Carlos Matamoros follows through on a pass play. It would end up the first and only touchdown the team scored that night. Chapin dominated 50-7.

ONE FOR THE TEAM

annabeth burgess

To avoid getting tackled, freshman Isaac Rojas stiff-arms his opponent for a 10-yard gain. "I got into football after seeing my brother play for Jefferson," he said. "I saw how good he was, and I wanted to do as well." Rojas scored three touchdowns on the season.

GAME PLAN

Frustrated, freshman Jaime Moreno explains to defensive coach Joseph Ortiz what plays the Bowie Bears keep running. "I drew out their plays and set-up on the board," Moreno said. "Once I pointed it out, he made changes. We were able to force a fumble and take it back."

to win it

"Teamwork is important anywhere. You can't do everything by yourself. Going through adversity really brought the team together to show us that."

-leonard moore-10

by jasmine tabler

 xcept for the hum of the engine, there's not a sound on the bus. Nobody on the team makes an effort to lighten

the mood as they travel back to the east side of town.

Where laughing and goofing around was the usual scene all season, it's now filled with freshman teammates thinking. The couldas and the shouldas. They were riding high on an eight game win streak, even shutting out four opponents, and it came to a screeching halt. Andress would be the team to ruin a perfect season.

"It was in the fourth quarter, fourth and eighth at the twelve," quarterback Matteo Serrano said. "When I scanned the defense, I saw an invert blitzing. My first instinct was to throw, so I did my three step. By the time I was ready to throw, the invert was in my face, and I ended up overthrowing the ball. When the game was over and we went to the sidelines, I looked at the scoreboard and started crying. I blamed myself for a while, but then I remembered it wasn't the only mistake made."

The JV season did not run as smoothly. Inconsistency played a role all season, and then there was the ineligibility issue. Not making the grade put 11 players on the "cannot play" list, leaving just 14 players. One of those was sophomore Thomas Arizmendez.

"It was like playing Ironman football," Arizmendez said. "We had to play the whole game, even after some freshmen were moved up. Some of them didn't know what they were doing but they had to compete. We stuck through it though because we love the game. The experiences we shared and the time we spent on the field can never be replaced."

SO CLOSE

Catching his first pass of the season against El Paso High, sophomore Juan De Santiago fights for the touchdown. "I was hyped afterwards, even though I didn't get into the end zone," De Santiago said. "Their defense tackled me and I lost control. I dodged two tackles, so I was pretty proud of my performance in this game. In the end, we lost. I was disappointed because I knew that we could have done better. But like Coach says, win or lose, we're a family."



781<u>SPOR</u>TS



FIRST DOWN PUSH

In a lopsided 51-0 win, freshman Larry Addy rifles through the Irvin defensive line. "I played quarterback in middle school," Addy said, "so it was a change playing wide receiver. I got a big touchdown pass and actually assisted most of the touchdowns we scored.'

-jerald newton-9

a lot faster and no one's afraid of physical contact."

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