

TWHS earns road win

Staff Report Saturday, October 7, 2017

The Woodlands quarterback Quinton Johnson passed for a pair of touchdowns and ran for another as The Woodlands opened District 12-6A play with a 45-21 victory at Lufkin on Friday night.

The Highlanders (2-1, 1-0), ranked No. 9 in the state by the Associated Press, evened its all-time record against the Panthers at 6-6 and have now won 25 straight district games dating back to the 2013 season.

The Woodlands trailed 21-17 at halftime, but the team responded over the final two quarters by scoring 28 unanswered points.

Johnson connected on touchdown passes to Connor Klapesky (10 yards) and Kesean Carter (21 yards) and also rushed for a 65-yard score in the opening period.

Zayne Watson hit Bryeton Gilford for a 30-yard touchdown pass, and Lucas Summers and Klapesky had scoring runs of 23 and 11 yards in the fourth quarter, respectively.

Fabrizio Pinton added a 19-yard field goal in the second quarter to account for the rest of the Highlanders' points.