

# Statement Win Over Conroe Showcases The Woodlands Proficiency

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THE WOODLANDS, TX – After a huge defensive battle against New Caney, The Woodlands looks to redeem themselves with a win over their longest “rival”, Conroe. Coming off a win against Willis, Conroe looks to continue their district win streak against The Woodlands. Woodforest Bank Stadium on Friday night was the home to The Woodlands Highlanders vs the Conroe Tigers.

In typical Highlander fashion, they were the first to score right off their first drive of the game. Unlike

last week, The Woodlands looked better and seemed to have a better rhythm in their offense. But Conroe would come back on the next drive and connect on a 14-yard pass tying the game at 7.

After an action packed first quarter, it looked like Conroe would keep up with The Woodlands power house. Although down, Conroe would come out in the second quarter with confidence. But this was short lived as The Woodlands turned the jets on and let loose.

The Woodlands would drop 21 unanswered points in the second quarter and would shut down the Conroe offense. Mabrey Mettauer would connect with Jackson Bolender and Jason Williams and for two of the touchdowns. Then Wei Wei would intercept the ball with just under two minutes left in the half. Mettauer would finally connect with Arkez Gomez for their final touchdown of the half.

The Woodlands would put on a clinic and redeem themselves, from last week, in the second half as they kept Conroe scoreless. The Highlanders would add another 28 points to their lead and take their second win of the district season 63-7.

## The Woodlands rolls past Conroe

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The Woodlands scored 56 unanswered points Friday night as the Highlanders defeated Conroe for the 15th straight time, 63-7, at Woodforest Bank Stadium in District 13-6A.

The Woodlands junior quarterback Mabrey Mettaufer was 13-for-16 for 226 yards and three touchdowns. He also rushed for 45 yards.

Jason Williams had a team-high 121 yards with two touchdowns for the Highlanders (3-2, 2-10). Santiago Alferez had a 66-yard touchdown run while Jacoby Mitchell had 53 rushing yards and a touchdown. Jackson Bolender also rushed in a score and also caught a touchdown pass.

Branson McShaffry led all receivers with four receptions for 112 yards and a touchdown. Arkez Gomez had two touchdown receptions. Patrick Rabel had four receptions for 90 yards.

Backup quarterback Patrick Miller threw a touchdown pass.

Wei Wei and JT Goff each had interceptions.

The Woodlands bounced back off a 14-7 loss to New Caney last week.

Conroe (3-2, 2-1) saw its three-game winning streak end. Quarterback Javarious Hatchett hit Braylen Reece for a 14-yard touchdown in the first quarter, which tied the game at 7-all. Hatchett threw for 173 yards, 91 of which went to Louis Williams III.