

Southeastern Pennsylvania Top 10

Coaches' and sportswriters' poll.

SCHOOL	RECORD	NO. 1 VOTES	POINTS
1. CENTRAL BUCKS WEST	8-0	13	294
The Bucks turned up their second-lowest scoring output of the season, but the defense responded with its sixth shutout — and third in a row. Quarterback Steve Clark accounted for all three touchdowns, lofting two scoring passes to Matt Baggett and running for a third. With the Bux-Mont showdown against North Penn slated for Nov. 15, coach Mike Pettine's greatest concern this week is guarding against a possible letdown against Upper Perkiomen.			
2. PENNSBURY	9-0	1	264
Another game, another romp for the Falcons, who routed Bensalem, 33-0, for their sixth shutout this season. Linebacker Galen Snyder keys the defense. On offense, Scott LaBrecque raised his season rushing total to 1,056 yards and scored two touchdowns in the victory. Pennsbury faces Neshaminy on Saturday for the Suburban One National title.			
3. DOWNINGTOWN	9-0	1	242
Comfortably ahead in the Ches-Mont, the Whippets got by Great Valley, 14-3, for their 14th straight win. Junior back Ralph Miller, with more than 1,000 yards rushing this year, gained 80 yards on 27 carries. In pursuit of its first unshared title, Downingtown won't think lightly of this week's opponent, Phoenixville.			
4. RIDLEY	8-0	0	204
People are still waiting for Ridley to lose. They've waited since Oct. 10, 1981, and could wait a good deal longer before the Green Raiders succumb to a superior foe. That didn't come close to happening last Saturday, when Joe McNicholas' team defeated Haverford High, 20-6, to extend its unbeaten streak to 46 games. Junior quarterback Matt Blundin, a sprawling 6-foot-6, passed for three touchdowns to junior receiver Rob Graf, who also had three interceptions in a masterful all-round performance.			
5. BISHOP McDEVITT	7-1	0	164
Playing with more confidence than ever after a win over Cardinal Dougherty last week, the Lancers surged past LaSalle, 41-0, to retain a share of the Catholic League North lead. Loaded with 34 seniors, McDevitt is expected to close out the regular season with victories over Archbishop Wood and Bishop Egan.			
6. NORTH PENN	8-1	0	154
Central Bucks West has gotten the headlines, and North Penn is biding its time until the teams meet next week for the Bux-Mont title. Under first-year coach Bill Travers, formerly of Bishop Egan, the Knights have fashioned a six-game winning streak and have outscored their last two opponents, 69-0. In Saturday's 42-0 thumping of Upper Perkiomen, North Penn rang up 354 yards while permitting just 99 yards and creating four turnovers.			
7. ARCHBISHOP RYAN	7-1	0	120
Losers only to Catholic League North rival Bishop McDevitt, Ryan faces a brutal end-of-the-season schedule. The Raiders defeated Father Judge, 15-7, last week. Their reward? They get to play Cardinal Dougherty on Friday night and North Catholic the following week. At stake is first place and a prime spot in the playoffs.			
8. NESHAMINY	7-2	0	58
The No. 9 pick in the preseason, Neshaminy was absent from last week's poll — thanks to losses to North Penn (32-0) and Central Bucks West (28-16). However, since losing to C.B. West on Sept. 21, the Redskins have clicked off six straight wins, including a 28-0 decision last week over Abington. Pennsbury is next, with the Suburban One National title hanging in the balance.			
9. PLY.-WHITEMARSH	7-2	0	34
Two straight losses to open the season, notwithstanding, the Colonials are in the driver's seat, as far as the Suburban One American title is concerned. Undefeated in league play, Plymouth-Whitemarsh can clinch first place with a victory over Wissahickon Friday night. So far, the season has revolved around senior quarterback Mickey Pergine, who has passed for more than 1,200 yards, and a quality defense that has allowed just seven points in its last three games.			
10. ACADEMY PARK	8-1	0	28
The Knights, who were dominated in a 20-7 loss to Glen Mills on Saturday, remain tied for first in the Del-Val, along with Penn Wood and Glen Mills. They were No. 5 in last week's poll.			

OTHERS RECEIVING VOTES:

Penn Wood (8-1) 24; Glen Mills (7-1) 22; Archbishop Carroll (6-1-1) 10; Monsignor Bonner (7-1) 10; Penn Charter (5-1-1) 10; North Catholic (6-1-1) 4; Spring-Ford (5-2-2) 4; Central (5-0) 2.

GAMES OF THE WEEK:

Friday: Roxborough at Central, 2:30 p.m.; Bartram at Southern, 2:30 p.m.; Cardinal Dougherty at Archbishop Ryan, 7 p.m.; Souderton at North Penn, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday: Neshaminy at Pennsbury, 1:30 p.m.; Radnor at Ridley, 10:30 a.m.; Penn Wood at Unionville, 10:30 a.m.; North Catholic at Father Judge, 7 p.m.

Sunday: Archbishop Carroll at Cardinal O'Hara, 2 p.m.; St. James at Monsignor Bonner, 2 p.m.

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