Neshaminy replaces C. B. West at top

For the first time in at least three years, Central Bucks West is not the top team in The Inquirer's Southeastern Pennsylvania Top 10 poll. West, the owner of a 54-game unbeaten streak, did not win its game for the first time in five seasons Thursday when it tied Central Bucks East, 14-14.

Unbeaten Neshaminy replaced West as the No. 1

La Salle regained its position above Archbishop Carroll when it won on Thursday and when Carroll lost on Saturday. And Central jumped ahead of idle Souderton with a win over Northeast on Thursday.

Only Neshaminy, Archbishop Ryan, Carroll and Central are still active.

Southeastern Pennsylvania Football Top 10

SCHOOL RECORD NO. 1 VOTES POINTS

1. NESHAMINY 11-0 6 78

The Redskins, No. 2 last week, will represent Region 1 in the PIAA Class AAAA Eastern regional championship game Saturday against Cedar Cliff of Region 2. The winner goes to the Class AAAA state title game on Dec. 10. Coached by John Chaump, the Redskins won the berth when No. 2 Central Bucks West tied Central Bucks East on Thursday to end at 10-0-1.

2. C.B. WEST 10-0-1 2 76

The Bucks, No. 1 last week and the owners of a state record 53-game winning streak and a still-unbroken 54-game unbeaten streak, ended their season Thursday when they tied Central Bucks East, 14-14. The tie allowed No. 1 Neshaminy to advance to the PIAA Class AAAA state playoffs. Quarterback Shawn Moyland threw for one TD against C.B. East and Thad Brennan rushed for another. But East scored in the fourth quarter to tie the game. It was the first time since Nov. 24, 1983, that West, coached by Mike Pettine, has not won.

3. RIDLEY 11-0 0 64

The Green Raiders defeated Interboro on Thursday, 14-7, to end their season and extend their consecutive win streak to 19 games. Quarterback Bill Bair threw two TD passes as Ridley won its 22d Thanksgiving Day game against Interboro in the last 23 meetings. Bair ended with 131 yards on a 12-of-23 passing performance. Coached by Joe McNicholas, the Raiders also won their 10th straight Central League title.

4. COATESVILLE 9-2 0 56

The Red Raiders won their sixth straight game and clinched the Ches-Mont League title Thursday by beating Downingtown, 10-0. Dwayne Miller rushed for 106 yards on 20 carries, while the

defense held Downingtown to 117 total yards. Coached by Mike Dominick, Coatesville suffered its only losses to York and West Chester Henderson.

5. ARCH. RYAN

9-2

48

The Raiders beat George Washington on Thursday, 24-8, for their 14th win in 14 Thanksgiving Day meetings. Frank Wycheck scored three touchdowns as Ryan prepped for its Catholic League championship game against No. 7 Archbishop Carroll on Saturday. Coached by John Quinn, Ryan took its only losses against No. 6 La Salle and Cardinal Dougherty.

6. LA SALLE

10-1

35

The Explorers, No. 7 last week, tripped St. Joseph's Prep. 22-21. on Thursday when quarterback Jack Stanczak connected with tight end Dave Demara on a two-point conversion late in the fourth quarter. Carl Mattia added three TDs for La Salle. Coached by Joe Colistra, La Salle suffered its only loss to Bishop Egan in the Catholic League North Division semifinal.

7. ARCH. CARROLL

9-3

26

The Patriots, No. 6 last week, lost to Malvern Prep on Saturday, 21–0. Playing without four injured starters, Carroll failed to move the ball past the Malvern 20-yard line. The Patriots, coached by Kevin Clancy, play No. 5 Archbishop Ryan in the Catholic League title game Saturday at Villanova. The team's losses have been to Malvern Prep, Cardinal O'Hara and West Chester Henderson.

8. CENTRAL

10-0

25

The Lancers, No. 9 last week, defeated Northeast on Thursday, 18–14. Jerrod Washington rushed for 144 yards and scored the clinching TD on an 8-yard run in the fourth quarter. Coached by Bob Cullman, Central plays Washington in the Public League champion-ship game Saturday at Northeast.

9. SOUDERTON

10-1

16

The Indians, No. 8 last week, ended their season Nov. 11 with a 7-6 win over Plymouth-Whitemarsh. The champion of the Suburban One Liberty Division, Souderton won 10 straight games to close its season and equaled a school record for wins, set in 1984. Souderton, coached by Drew Darrah, lost only to Father Judge.

10. PHOENIXVILLE

9-2

13

The Phantoms ended their season Nov. 11 by winning their fifth straight game, 27-6, over Owen J. Roberts. Despite missing two games with an injury, running back Chris Minor scored 120 points and rushed for over 1,000 yards. Coached by Bill Shirk, Phoenixville took its only losses against Methacton and Pottstown.

OTHERS RECEIVING VOTES: West Chester Henderson (7-3) 9; Cardinal O'Hara (8-2) 4; Methacton (9-2) 1; St. Pius X (9-3) 1.

The Inquirer Southeastern Pennsylvania Top 10 is drawn from District 1 of the PIAA, plus Philadelphia's Public, Catholic and Inter-Academic Leagues. The panel consists of eight Inquirer scholastic sportswriters. Totals are compiled on a basis of 10 points for a first-place vote, nine for second, eight for third and so forth.