

# Neshaminy Langhorne gets no breaks as Frankford wins, 26-7

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Inside the football coaches' room at Neshaminy Langhorne High School, the walls are covered with pictures of big plays and familiar faces.

A blackboard opposite the coaches' lockers suggests the depth charts of this year's team and everywhere you look there are diagrams of play situations — on slateboards on the huge table resting in the center of the office, on three-by-five cards crumpled and placed on top of the table, and even scribbled on empty matchbook covers.

But all the X's and O's in the world can't save a football team when (1) it rains, and (2) it gives up three touchdowns on what's known in this game as "breaks" — in this case, two bad snaps from center on punting situations and a muffed punt return.

Neshaminy Langhorne yielded the ball once in each of the first three periods, surrendering touchdowns in each instance, and eventually lost to Public League power Frankford High School, 26-7, Friday evening.

## Shows frustration

Charlie Schmidt, Langhorne's head coach, sat with his hands clasped at

## STATISTICS

	FK	NL
First downs .....	8	6
Yards rushing .....	265	72
Passes attempted .....	4	18
Passes completed .....	1	1
Interceptions thrown .....	0	1
Yards passing .....	14	30
Net yards .....	219	102
Punts .....	X-6	5
Punting average .....	33.6	33.2
Fumbles lost .....	1	2
Yards penalized .....	65	15

## SCORING

FIRST: F-McCann 1 run (run failed)  
 SECOND: F-McCann 1 run (pass failed)  
 THIRD: F-McCann 1 run (Skene kick)  
 FOURTH: F-Richardson 64 run (Skene kick)  
 NL-Flaig 3 run (Feri kick)

the table, but there was no anger, only frustration.

"We gave 'em a (bad) snap, gave 'em a (fumbled) punt, gave 'em a (bad) snap and that was the ball game," Schmidt said matter-of-factly. He also said he considered the rain, which held the crowd down to 600, somewhat of a factor even before the game. "Initially, I thought the rain would help us (Langhorne rushed 88 per cent of the time in the first two games against Bishop Egan and Abington). We were getting good yardage inside. But then it happened."

"It" is a loss of field position or perhaps never gaining field position. And

when Langhorne (now 1-2) finally did get it, it found itself trailing, 19-0, and forced to throw a wet ball, resulting in one pass completion in 19 attempts for quarterbacks Jon Flaig and Bruce Cordelli.

Frankford, which rushed for 241 yards last week in a 14-8 loss at the hands of Bartram High School, knew what to do with the football once it got it.

In the first quarter, Chris Cechak's snap sailed over the head of punter Chris Bezick (a loss of 17 yards) and Frankford took over at the Langhorne 13 and punched it across with quarterback Mike McCann sneaking in from the one with 2:16 left.

Steve Fario couldn't control Ray Wolkiewicz's punt on the fourth play of the second period and McCann recovered at the Langhorne two and scored two plays later.

## FRANKFORD

RUSHING: Young, 17-61; Morman, 8-35; McCann, 11-33, 3 TDs; Richardson, 2-64, 1 TD; Ibbotson, 3-4; Yurkow, 2-(-1); Loughhead, 1-1; Lee, 3-4; Cairns, 1-1; Parrish, 1-1.

PASSING: McCann, 1-4-0-14.

RECEIVING: Wolkiewicz, 1-14.

## NESHAMINY LANGHORNE

RUSHING: Calkins, 11-67; Valone, 8-16; Fario, 2-4; Horton, 5-26; Flaig, 2-(-3), 1 TD; Bezick, 2-(-44); Bebey, 2-1; Cordelli, 1-1; Hill, 1-2.

PASSING: Flaig, 1-9-1-14; Cordelli, 0-9-0-0.

RECEIVING: Fario, 1-13.