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ST. LOUIS, Mo. --“Friday Night Lights” in a metropolitan area is just another level of great fun when it comes to high school football - but it's great to be able to watch a hometown young man by the name of Matthew Greer compete at such a high level.

A career opportunity for the Greer family in 2007 transferred them to the St. Louis area, leaving the comforts of their longtime hometown of Dexter. Greer immediately embraced the move, and began to take advantage of all the good athletic opportunities before him.

Now in his senior year at Chaminade High School in St. Louis, Matthew Greer is starring up the show for the Red Devils.

Friday evening, Chaminade took the field against a Metro Catholic Conference rival - the St. Louis University Junior Billikens.. SLUH - 2-3 overall (1-1 Conference) - and Chaminade - 3-1 overall (1-1 Conference) - had both posted blowout wins over Vianney earlier in the season, but that was the only common opponent between the two teams coming into the contest. SLUH's losses came at the hands of Parkway North, Webster Groves, and Christian Brothers, while Chaminade had lost only to Desmet after a Week 3 bye.

The Junior Billikens had everything going their way in the first half, posting the first 14 points in the game on pass completions. In addition to passing game, SLUH's rushing attack was on target and found open lanes, picking up big yardage throughout the game.

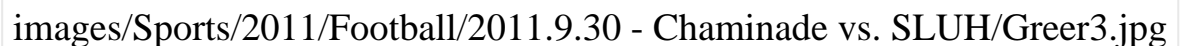


After struggling on a few series, Chaminade's quarterback, Logan Hutson, began to pick up the offensive attack. His first target was a 37-yard completion to Greer, coming across the middle on a backside post pattern. Greer showed great strength and athleticism on the catch, as he had to go up high to wrestle the football from the defender. The drive ended with a 1-yard touchdown run by running back Brandon Minor, making the score 14 - 7. However, the Billikens dominated the remainder of the second quarter leaving a half-time score of 28 to 7.

The second half started with a great kickoff return by Chaminade return man Spencer Byrne - a jump start that the Red Devils needed. Chaminade continued the drive down the field for a Dixon Anthon touchdown run with 7:50 remaining in the third quarter.

The Billikens delivered another offensive blow to the Chaminade defense with a 67 yard touchdown run by Terek Hawkins - a speedy back that has been clocked with a 4.3 40-yard dash - making the score 35 -14.

The Red Devils were



not ready to get on the bus, despite the large deficit and little time remaining in the game. On the ensuing possession, Chaminade marched down the field, and Hutson hit Greer on a quick-slant for an 11 yard TD pass to cut SLUH's lead to 35 - 21. Chaminade's defense decided to get in the action, and with 4:12 left in the ballgame, Byrne intercepted a pass from deep in Billikens territory and quickly returned it for yet another Red Devil touchdown, making the score 35 - 28.

SLUH's defense stepped up a final possession, and didn't allow Chaminade to deliver any positive yards - the game ended with the Billikens on top by a score of 35 - 28.

Overall, Greer was a powerful member to the offense for the Red Devils. He is quick off the ball, and solid with his blocking techniques. His greatest talent continues to be in his aggressiveness and outstanding hands. He runs crisp, clean routes, which allows him to get some separation from his defenders.

Chaminade moves to 3-2 overall (1-1 conference) on the season with the loss. The Red Devils will be in action again on Friday (Oct. 7), when they host the undefeated - and No. 2 State Ranked - Christian Brothers College High School.

Kickoff is scheduled for 7:00 p.m.

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