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Dexter, Missouri - The Bearcats faced East Prairie, New Madrid County Central, and Kennett in Friday night's home Football Jamboree at Charles Bland Stadium.

Dexter opened the night defeating East Prairie one touchdown to none. Dexter's Payton Tinnin ran several yards for the only touchdown of the game.

"We wanted to make sure on defense, we were getting to where we needed to be and we didn't that first game," commented head football coach Kevin Goltra. "Tinnin has been our best running back thus far and he's a guy we can count on to do the right things."

New Madrid County Central Eagles battled it out against the Bearcats in the second game of the evening ending the game in a tie with one touchdown each. Dexter's Trevor McDonald scored the only touchdown for the Bearcats.

"In the second game we didn't get in the positions and we didn't make the tackles," stated Goltra. "Our tackling was really, really bad tonight. It's one thing to not be in position and not make a tackle, but we have capabilities. We can be in that position. We also faced a lot of speed out there as well."

In the last game of the night the junior varsity athletes stepped up. Dexter went head-tohead with Kennett. Though the Bearcats suffered the loss by only one touchdown to none, the JV team really excelled on the field.

"We are a little banged up and we decided with Pixley before the Jamboree to play our junior varsity athletes," continued Goltra. "I wanted to focuson them being tough and

gave our other guys some rest."

"I think we struggled a little bit with Corbin being out," Goltra said. "He was All-Conference All-District last year as linebacker and one of our best defensive players. He is such a good player, right now we don't know when he will be back."

"The growing pains are coming and its going to happen, Jett Featherston pulled in nicely for us today backing him and we are just going to get better. In defensive tackling we are going to be pretty good this year," Goltra said.

Dexter will travel to Ste. Genevieve on Friday, August 19th. Game time 7:00 p.m. Bearcats wear your RED t-shirts to the game! It's a RED ALERT FRIDAY!

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