

# Columbus Grove 2024 14 - 1

## State Semi-Finalist



First row, left to right - Brady Fuerst, Kyle Hopkins, Kylan Mayes, Trenton Barraza, Landen Huston, Grant Eversole, Ty Meyer, Layton Blankemeyer, Jameson Rader and Riley Sautter. 2nd row - Austin Gander, Luke Groch, Logan Karhoff, Gavin Schroeder, Levi Schroeder, Caleb Davis, Aiden Patrick, Josh Gannon, Dylan Mertz and Levi Burkholder. 3rd row - Ian Smith, Landon Best, Graeden Maag, Trevon Baxter, Gavin Barraza, Devin Geckle, Evan Verhoff, Corbin Garberson, Jakob Leininger and Justin Norway. 4th row - Lucas Warmbrod, Maddox Lasley, Zevyn Maag, Brady Basinger, Caleb Bonifas, Bryant Blue, Carter Flores, Brody Wild and Ayden Moore. 5th row - Brody McClure, Preston Ellerbrock, Gavin Baxter, Landen Flores, Deacon Bryan, Mason Whitfield, Jordan Mull and Kaden Little. 6th row - Zaine Schroeder, Alex Meyer, Jack Siefker, Michael Thomson and Gabe Karhoff. Last row - Head Coach, Andy Schafer. Assistant Coaches - Andy Kohls, Tad Geus, Derek Rieman, Christian Stechschulte, Reid Stechschulte, Brandon Grigsby and Trent Teman.

## Bulldogs Fall to Flyers in State Semi-Finals

Putnam County Sentinel - Charlie Warnimont, Sports Editor

Marion Local entered Friday night's Division VII State Semi-Final game with Columbus Grove riding a 62 game winning streak.

Even with all their success the Flyers take no team lightly. That showed Friday night as the Flyers stopped the Bulldogs first drive with an interception, then came up with two more first quarter turnovers that all turned into points for Marion Local.

With the early lead, Marion Local was able to do what they wanted in a 41-6 win over the Bulldogs on a cold and windy night at Lima Spartan Stadium.

"Literally this is just one game at a time," Marion Local head coach Tim Goodwins said. "We just have great kids. We push them thard and they respon.. Every week is a new challenge and a new team. We just have fun with it."

"They are good," Columbus Grove head coach Andy Schafer said. "We made some mistakes that are uncharacteristic of us. They may not have cost us the game, but swung the momentum. Momentum, obviously, is always a big part of football. In a game of this magnitude,when you lose the momentum, it hurts. This is going to sting for a while."

Trenton Barraza rushed for 114 yards for the Bulldogs on 31 crries with a score. Barraza finished his Bulldog career with a school record if 6,360 rushing yards on 844 carries and 72 touchdowns.

Hopkins was 11-22 for 141 yards as Gavin Barraza caught two passes for 62 yards. Trenton Barraza had three catches for 15 yards while Brady Basinger had two catches for 22 and Trevon Baxter had two catches for 28 yards.

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CG	Opponents		CG	Opponents	
35	Pandora-Gilboa	7	28	*Lima Central C.	20
42	Liberty-Benton	14	42	*Bluffton	0
27	Patrick Henry	13	42	#North Baltimore	8
45	*Spencerville	7	38	#Lima Central C.	6
65	*Delphos Jefferson	6	35	#Sycamore	13
38	*Allen East	13	14	#Delphos St. Johns	0
50	*Fort Loramie	30	6	#Marion Local	41
49	*Crestview	7			