

WHRHS Football: Watchung Hills Drops Home Opener to Plainfield in Last Minute, 22-21

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WARREN, NJ - After an 85-yard drive, Demetrius Stephens scored on a one-yard run with a minute left in the game to lift Plainfield over Watchung Hills in the Warriors home opener on Friday night, 22-21.

Game captains for the Warriors were Alex Strehle, Chris Sosuglu, Kevin Badger, and Trevor Schmidt.

Watchung Hills took an early lead on runs from Caleb Parker and Kevin Badger, 14-0.

"I give credit to Plainfield for playing a solid game," said WHRHS head coach Rich Seubert. "We need to find a way to not turn the ball over and to cut down on penalties. The kids played hard tonight and for that I'm proud of them, we will fix the mistakes and learn from this. Having a young team we are constantly learning and improving. A bunch of kids played football tonight and we will watch the tape and move on to next week."

Plainfield got on the board with a 60 yard run from Daekuan Mullings and the Cardinals added the 2-point conversion to make it 14-8. The Warriors went up 21-8 after a 24-yard Chad Martini pass. Spencer Ostroff's made all three PATs for the Warriors.

Plainfield closed the gap to 21-16 on a 40-yard touchdown pass from Jymir Esaw to Justus Williams.

The win was Plainfield's first conference win since 2015.