

After a long trek to the Pallisades stadium, the MCE had a tough first half.

#12 Paul Carpenter received the first kick off and returned it for about 9 yards. On the next play, #30 Cody Pascale had a very impressive 25 yard run for a first down. #19 Michael "Cement Shoes" Hutter then ran the ball for 9 yards and on 4<sup>th</sup> down, Cody Pascale was able to convert. After a great run by #19 Michael Hutter and a face mask penalty on the defense, #65 Ryan Whalen converted to a first down. Next play, #12 Paul Carpenter made an impressive throw to #36 Drew Brennan for an 8 yard gain. On 1<sup>st</sup> and goal, MCE fumbled the ball on the 3 yard line. (After video review by Coach Martin, it should not have been ruled a fumble, player was down when the ball was stripped.)

Once again, #30 Cody Pascale was able to get to the ball in the end zone for a safety. Our second game in a row with a safety!! After MCE got the ball back, an impressive run by #53 Alex Meyer, and 10 yard pass from #20 Mac Gallagher to #36 Drew Brennan, we later lost the ball on a fumble.

Pallisades now had the ball and #85 Connor Birzes, #83 Kyle Carey made some great tackles, and a blocked punt by #83 Kyle Carey and #42 Michael Bradley led to Bradley recovering the ball. #90 Brian Gola made some excellent tackles in the next series which forced the Pirates to once again kick.

MCE got the ball back and #52 Alex Meyer made a nice run up the middle, and then #30 Cody Pascale had a 20 yard run with a face mask on the defense at the end of the play. #19 Michael Hutter and #65 Ryan Whalen combined their runs for a first down. We were stopped short again by a fumble. As the Pirates were driving back down the field on their most impressive drive of the day, a blitzing #20 Cody Pascale caused a pitch to be fumbled and as the air cleared, Cody was racing to the end zone for our first TD of the game to make it 8-0.

#53 Alex Meyer had a nice run to start the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter which set up a TD run by #20 Mac Gallagher. Point after failed.

Pirates ball – great tackles by #56 Matt Clark, #53 Alex Meyer, #30 Cody Pascale, #20 Mac Gallagher, #83 Kyle Carey, #65 Ryan Whalen, #36 Drew Brennan, #90 Brian Gola, and #79 Will Martin which caused Pallisades to turn the ball over to MCE.

After a MCE fumble, the Pirates were able to capitalize for a TD as well as the extra point. After an onside kick which #79 Will Martin fell on, #20 Mac Gallagher took a knee and final seconds ticked away.

Final score – MCE 14 Pallisades Pirates 7