

SEASON HIGHLIGHTS



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"The Skyline game. Varsity lost to them the day before, and then JV put a beat down on them."

—Aidan Schuler (11)

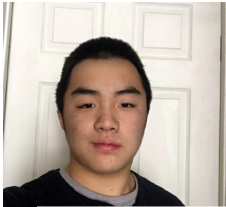


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"The game against Longmont. I played very well and it was our first win of the season."

—Max Luo (10)



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"I tackled a ball carrier at the 15 against Skyline in kickoff."

—Edward Blaser (12)



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"Winning the game against Longmont because that was the time when the JV team really came together."

—Joey Sawtelle (10)

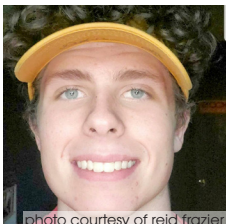


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"Being able to play this year and have social interaction with my friends after quarantine."

—Reid Frazier (11)



PAST PLAYERS Jackson Pettite (12) runs through the big Monarch helmet and onto the field. "It's awesome to walk through the helmet and see all the past players who have signed it," Pettite said.

HARD HITS

and helmet history

Players leave their mark on and off the field

The big black and gold inflatable helmet is the epic entrance for football players when running on to Spangenberg Field for a game. Kyle Gordon (12) sees the helmet as a legacy for Monarch football players.

"For the past four years, I have been running out onto the field through the inflatable helmet," he said. "Whenever I would run through the helmet, I would look up and see all the previous senior's signatures."

Every year, the seniors leave their permanent mark on the field by not just their plays, but with their simple signature inside the helmet. On senior night this year, Gordon finally got his turn.

"Leaving my mark, following in all the footsteps of all the previous players, is definitely something that's happy, and sad at the same time," Gordon said.

One game in particular that stands out to him was against Longmont. This night was brisk cold, and the air was thick from the fires miles away. The silence from the stands made the plays echo around the players.

"I remember it was the 4th and goal against Longmont, and we went for what we called an island fade," Gordon said. "I dropped back perfectly and threw a beautiful ball right at Jackson Pettite."

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GRATEFUL GAME Cole Carlucci (11) gets tackled in a game against school name Greeley Central on Oct. 23. "Just the fact that we got to play at all is awesome," Carlucci said. **TEAM PLAYER** Jackson Pettite (12) catches the ball after a punt in a game against Broomfield on Oct. 9. "He hit me, which was a penalty for 15 yards and that catch changed the momentum at that part of the game," Pettite said.

JACKSON PETTITE

captain



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GRADE:
Senior

FAVORITE PRO SPORTS TEAM:
Las Vegas Raiders

FAVORITE COLOR:
Black

FAVORITE ARTIST:
Juice WRLD

A LITTLE THING PEOPLE DON'T KNOW ABOUT ME:
I'm from Tampa, Florida

MY TEAM CAN COUNT ON ME TO:
Always lift everyone's head up no matter a bad play or after a loss.



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COMMITMENT PAYS OFF Kyle Gordon (12) plays in a game against Broomfield on Oct. 9. "I think my favorite part about playing football is just all the work that goes into it. It's also just the work ethic," Gordon said. **BIG LESSONS** Kieran Singh (11) plays in a game against Greeley Central. "Coach Bravo is probably one of my biggest inspirations. He pushes us to work hard and stay strong and to be responsible," Singh said.



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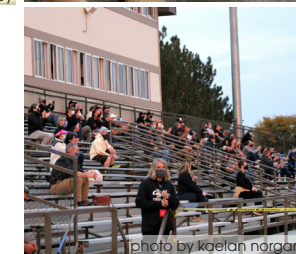


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football FAMILIES

Covid restrictions change the game

Completely silent. Without the enthusiasm and cheering of the student section, the football players took the field with just a few spectators able to watch in person.

"Playing without fans was tough," Gage Majure (12) said. "We would have loved to have our student section and Monarch community be there to support us but unfortunately, that couldn't happen this year."

One way the football team managed the season was with the support of their families.

"My mom has helped a lot throughout the season. She encouraged me to stay positive during uncertain times," Everett Bryant (11) said.