



1. CONTAGIOUS CHANT: As the crowd anticipates the start of the rivalry game, Abigail Nachand '22 and friends chant and cheer. Nachand and her friends decorated white pants for their senior year, and wore them to football games like the one on Sept. 17. "It's so cool to have it close and be able to just go across town especially when everyone is setting up for it and you see all the red and purple. It's really important because we come together and it shows off our school culture," Nachand said. **2. HALFTIME HUDDLE:** As the second quarter of the rivalry game Sept. 17 ends, the team makes its way toward the locker room. There, coaches talked and yelled at players about the events of the game that happened so far. "Coaches were yelling but it was deserved as the score reflected the game. It was a much tenser feeling than normal games," Brody Ashworth '22 said.

It was crushing. We pride ourselves on winning every year, so when the streak came to an end, it didn't feel anywhere close to good."

BRODY ASHWORTH '22

[Losing] sucked, but we'll get them next time in basketball or baseball. The important thing is we were there to support our team."

CALEB CANCINO '22

3. SIGN OF THE TIMES: During their last rivalry game, Caleb Cancino '22 holds Ethan Henak '22 on his shoulders so the crowd can see messages on the sign Henak holds. Henak wrote different messages on the sign throughout the game, including messages that told underclassmen to move back in the stands. "I mean we lost but other than that it wasn't much different besides as a senior you get to lead everything and that was important because we kept the spirits up," Henak said. **4. DEALING WITH DEFEAT:** After the Sept. 17 game ends, Brody Ashworth '22 kneels in anguish near the end zone. Ashworth and his teammates shared a moment of sadness after the team lost the rivalry game for the first time in seven years. "It was devastating. We had won every year before since I had been on the team and to lose senior year - it's an indescribable feeling," Ashworth said.

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THE ANTICIPATED RIVALRY GAME BETWEEN CV AND DC BREAKS THE SIX YEAR WIN STREAK

For the first time in seven years, the varsity football team and hundreds of students walk out of Douglas County Stadium, heads bowed due to the reality of defeat. The winning streak came to a close in a shutout game, but the student body was still there to support the team for the entirety of the event. "I think [the game is] a very important tradition as we do it every year and it gets almost everyone whether you like football or not together. It's one of the main events that I will remember from high school," Caleb Cancino '22 said. As student body Vice President, Cancino helped lead the student section in cheers to support the team and keep the spirits high. "Even when we were losing we still had support from friends and

family out in the crowd. You could hear it all the way across the field so it lightened up the mood," Brody Ashworth '22 said. Ashworth was a starting tight end for his senior rivalry game and he still remembers moments from his final face-off. "We were trying to get ourselves back in the game but it just wasn't happening. It was a really heavy feeling and something you could feel once you walked in [to the locker room]," Ashworth said. Although the football game ultimately ended in favor of those across town, students on our side of the highway still found ways to enjoy rivalry week. "It's a really cool thing to have your rivals that close and to make it such a big thing. It defines most of your high school experience because in almost every sport we play them and it's really important to keep that tradition alive," Ethan Henak '22 said. *copy by Katherine McKenna* "It's a really cool thing to have your rivals that close and to make it such a big thing. It defines most of your high school experience." **ETHAN HENAK '22**



Congratulations @DCHSHUSKIES @DCHUSKIESFBALL on a well deserved victory. Best of luck the rest of the season." @football_castle, sept. 17

SEPT. 17 at the Douglas County football stadium. **6-0** at the end of quarter one with DC taking the lead.

16-0 at the end of quarter two throughout quarter four, with DC winning. **5:24** until half-time and DC raises the score to 9-0.

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STATISTICS ABOUT THE CASTLE VIEW VS. DOUGLAS COUNTY FOOTBALL GAME

