Well I do believe we at LHS, have established a new rivalry game to look forward to each year. The varsity football game on last Friday night was extremely intense and if you weren't there, then you missed an outstanding game. Not only was it a hard fault battle, but the refs really were trying to aid River Bluff to a win. Countless bad calls in order to keep the game in River Bluff's favor, but our guys fought hard and ended up winning a close game that shouldn't have been as close as it ended. Also the bad calls were accompanied by a few unfortunate plays on our side, that also kept River Bluff in the game. At the start of the game, River Bluff's student section really had an upper hand on ours. River Bluff's first snap went over Tillmon's head but he quickly regained possession of the football. River Bluff started out unimpressive with their first drive being a 3 and out. From that point forward, they played lights out in the first half. Defensively and offensively they hardly missed a beat, as to where we couldn't manage to get something started. River Bluff's QB was a complete athlete to say the least. He had speed and quickness, but could improve his throwing ability if he wants to continue playing at the quarterback possession. River Bluff also had an amazing running back with very impressive speed and an o line who knew how to open holes for the back to hit in stride. River Bluff gained a 9-0 lead with a touchdown, missed pat, and a field goal before Lexington's last drive to end the first half. It was not looking very promising for the Wildcats and our fans were somewhat quiet and shocked. We ended the first half with an efficient drive by marching down the field and kicking a field goal to improve to 9-3 at halftime. Thus, giving our players, coaches and fans some confidence heading into the second half. I think I speak for everyone when I say we were a little worried about the outcome of this game.

The second half kicked off and Lexington looked like a completely different team than previously in the first half. We marched down the field converting 3 third downs and a potential game changing forth and 3 for a touchdown. Originally following the 3rd down, one of the refs called it a first and goal, but after it was called a first and goal another ref trotted towards to ball, replaced it, and ruled it fourth down. A very unusual occurrence of events, because usually refs don't rule a first down after measurements, and then replace the football, and measure once again and rule 4th down. The entire Lexington side was dumbfounded, upset, and almost laughing at the officiating that had just taken place. This set up a forth and 3 at River Bluffs 10 yard line, that Lexington would convert into 6 points after a rush from Jordan Carr to tie the game at 9. The PAT was converted by Christian Kinsley giving Lexington a 10-9 lead, our first lead of the game, but that was just the start of the crazy finish at River Bluff. Shortly after receiving the ball River Bluff's quarter back, Tillmon broke a 64 yard rush that ended with 6 points added to the board making it 15-10 River Bluff. The two point conversion pass was short, which gave Lexington hope of a potential game winning drive. Our defense had a quick possession and our defense took the field. River Bluff ran 7 minutes off the clock after punting at near midfield setting the Wildcat offense at their own 24 with 2:18 left in the game. Donny Baker completed and 11 yard pass to Jordan Carr to start the drive, then Slade Carroll sprung for 24 yards, then 9 and 3. With the Wildcats at River Bluff's 29 yard line, they managed to get the gators to jump offsides for an extra 5 free yards. Now at the 24, Baker threw a 24 yard pass to Schadewald to set up an extremely clutch touchdown to take a 16-15 lead. After this, if you were on the Lexington side of the stadium, you couldn't even hear yourself think. Every Lexington fan at the game went completely crazy, but it didn't end there. We missed the two-point conversion and proceeded to kick the ball off to River bluff. Diantre Petruso ran the kick back to their own 48 yard line, then the gators moved to Lexington's 38, which had us sweating. The Gators missed an opportunity to set up an easy kick after they dropped a pass at our 10 yard line. The following play, was an pick by Jordan Carr and the Lexington side was rocking. Our side went completely nuts when Carr picked up, ending the game in a classic. One of the greatest and most intense games I've ever been to no doubt.