



SANTA MARGARITA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

2025 VARSITY FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

2 State Championships

1997 Division II
2011 Division I

3 CIF-Southern Section Championships

1996 Division V
1997 Division V
2011 PAC-5

29 CIF-Southern Section Playoff Appearances

1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998,
1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007,
2010, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2016, 2017 2019, 2021 (Fall),
2022, 2023 & 2024

4 League Championships

1996, 1997, 2000 & 2001

37th Varsity Season

Overall Record: 256-159-3 (.616)
Home: 139-71-3 (.657)
Road: 117-88-0 (.570)

9 Nationally-Ranked Teams

1997, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2011,
2012, 2017, 2024 & 2025

Program Retired Number Honorees: 2 – Minna | 3 – Palmer | 4 – Newman / Stanton | 54 – Frost | 82 – Minardi

2022 California High School Football Hall of Fame Inductees: Carson Palmer (Quarterback) & Harry Welch (Head Coach)

1 Heisman Trophy Winner • 1 Johnny Unitas Award Winner • 1 Outland Trophy Winner • 1 NFL Walter Peyton "Man of the Year" Award Winner • 3 Elite 11 Quarterbacks • HSRatings.com No. 10 Most Dominant Prep Football Program in California: 2001-2024

🏆 2024-25 No. 1 California High School for "Overall Outstanding Athletic Excellence" -- Cal-Hi Sports and MaxPreps.com 🏆



**St. John Bosco Braves (7-0) at
Santa Margarita Catholic Eagles (5-2)**

**Trabuco Hills High School (Mission Viejo)
Friday, October 17, 2025 • 7:00 p.m.**



CIF-Southern Section Ford "Game of the Week" on Spectrum

SMCHS Homecoming 2025

HIGHLIGHTS FROM LAST WEEK'S GAME AT MATER DEI

EAGLES UPSET MATER DEI FOR FIRST VICTORY IN RIVALRY SINCE 2013

In an intense, spirited and taut gridiron battle, Santa Margarita Catholic High School (SMCHS) delivered an enormous blow to Trinity League rival Mater Dei as they fashioned a narrow 7-6 victory over the highly touted and nationally ranked Monarchs. In a game that came down to the performances of the two schools' robust defenses, the Eagles earned the win with explosive and timely plays by the offense in the second half, specifically in the latter half the fourth quarter. The offensive statistics weren't flashy but effective.

- Trent Mosley: 8 pass receptions for 56 yards (7.0 average) and one touchdown - on a rush, from the wildcat formation
- Trace Johnson: 174 yards passing
- Jaion "Duce" Smith: Key 41-yard pass reception
- Adrian Petero: Significant 59-yard pass reception on scoring drive
- Tyler Wiegand: Game-winning PAT conversion kick after low snap
- Dash Fifita: 10 total tackles
- Leki Holani: 15 total tackles
- Vai Manutai: 1 sack
- Siua Holani: 1 interception

Other Notes

- **Trent Mosley established a new school record for pass receptions in a career. The dynamic senior now has 184 with several games yet to be played in 2025. He broke the record of 178 held by Brian Finneran since 1993.**

- It was SMCHS's first triumph over the Monarchs since October 25, 2013. On that night, it was the Harry Welch-led Eagles that prevailed 16-7 on the Monarchs' home field, the Santa Ana Bowl. Since then, it had been 11 losses in a row.
- This marked the first time the Monarchs have lost more than one game in a season since 2015 when they were 10-3.
- From 2016 through 2024, Mater Dei sported a cumulative record of 109-5 (95.6 winning percentage) -- all five losses coming at the hands of their archrivals, St. John Bosco.
- SMCHS defeated a national top-5 team for the second time this season under first-year head coach Carson Palmer. Previously, they handed Centennial (Corona) their only setback.
- The last time the Eagles won a game while scoring single-digit points was in 2006 when they snuck-by Foothill (Santa Ana), 7-6 at Saddleback College.
- SMCHS turned the tables from the 2004 season when the Monarchs won by the identical score of 7-6 at Saddleback College.
- Mater Dei was shutout 28-0 at St. John Bosco on October 13, 2023. Prior to that, the 7-points scored versus the Eagles in 2013 was their low in a non-shutout game until this contest.
- SMCHS has limited the opposition to one offensive touchdown in three-consecutive games and four overall. Three of those four opponents are ranked in the top-25 nationally.

CURRENT COMPOSITE POLL RANKINGS

| Media Outlet | Coverage Area | Poll Rank |
|--|------------------------|-----------|
| <i>The Orange County Register</i> / ocregister.com | Orange County | 2 |
| <i>The Los Angeles Times</i> / latimes.com | Los Angeles Metro | 5 |
| | Orange County | 2 |
| Cal-Hi Sports / calhisports.com | California | 5 |
| | CIF-Southern Section | 5 |
| HS Ratings / hsratings.com | Nation - Computer | 8 |
| | California | 4 |
| | CIF-Southern Section | 4 |
| MaxPreps.com (PlayOn! Sports / NFHS Network) | Nation - Composite | 11 |
| | Nation - Computer | 10 |
| | Nation - Manual | 9 |
| | California | 4 |
| si.com / SBLive / scorebooklive.com Sports Illustrated High School | Nation | 21 |
| | Southwest Region | 7 |
| | California | 4 |
| | CIF-Southern Section | 4 |
| Massey Ratings | Nation | 43 |
| | California | 4 |
| | California - Composite | 14 |
| On3.com / rivals | Nation - Composite | 4 |
| | California | 9 |
| High School Football America (HSFA) / NFL Play Football highschoolfootballamerica.com | Nation | 3 |
| | California | 2 |
| <i>The Sporting News</i> / sportingnews.com | Nation | 15 |
| | Nation - Composite | - - - |
| | California | 4 |
| | CIF-Southern Section | 4 |
| ESPN SC Next / espn.com | Nation | 8 |
| | California | 3 |
| <i>USA Today</i> High School Sports / usatodayhss.com | Nation | 8 |
| | California | 3 |
| RepMax Media High School Sports News / repmaxmedia.com | California | 5 |
| Blue Star Media / bluestarmedia.org | Nation | 17 |
| | Far West Region | 5 |
| | California | 4 |
| JPWest Media / jpwestmedia.com | CIF-Southern Section | 4 |
| nationalhsfb.com / National High School Football | Nation | 7 |

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| | California | 3 |
| ITG Next / itgnext.com | Nation | 16 |
| Here Mission Viejo / heremissionsviejo.com | CIF-Southern Section | 4 |
| InfoCityBA / infocityba.com.ar | CIF-Southern Section | 5 |
| Cal Coast Times / calcoasttimes.com | California | 7 |
| RepMax Media High School Sports News / repmaxmedia.com | California | 5 |

SANTA MARGARITA CATHOLIC - PLAYER NOTES, HIGHLIGHTS & STATS

0 Dash Fifita | Linebacker | Senior | 5-10 / 185 – Team Captain

- *The Sporting News* Midseason National High School Defensive Player of the Year nominee
- Registered one sack in historic win versus Mater Dei on October 10
- Highlighted in the *Orange County Register* with a feature: Santa Margarita Catholic's Dash Fifita Inspired By Brother and "Best Friend" Noah on October 1, 2025
- Named to Watch List for the County's 2025 Defensive Player of the Year by the *Orange County Register* and the CIF-Southern Section Defensive Player of the Year by si.com
- Registered two sacks in loss to Bishop Gorman (Las Vegas)
- Steve Fryer / *Orange County Register* -- Early season surprises (09/11/25): A candidate for Orange County Defensive Player of the Year -- has sideline-to-sideline speed and crashing hitting style reminiscent of Junior Seau
- Anchored the defense in compiling the first win of the season, a big upset of Centennial (Corona). Led the team with 14 total tackles
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-State Team -- Third-Team - Defense
- ESPN / SC Next Class of 2026 No. 57 Inside Linebacker Prospect
- 2025 *The Sporting News* No. 1 Linebacker in California
- Ranked No. 11 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 Preseason All-Southland First-Team - Defense by the *Los Angeles Times*
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 1 linebacker in Orange County
- 2025 *The Sporting News* Preseason First-Team All-State Team - Defense
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- 2024 PrepRedzone.com All-Southern California Junior Team - Defense
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports Second-Team All-State Junior Team - Defense
- 2024 All-CIF-Southern Section Team
- 2024 *The Sporting News* California All-State High School Football Team: Second-Team - Defense
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Defense
- 2024 SBLive / scorebooklive.com / si.com All-CIF Southern Section First-Team - Defense
- 2024 All-Orange County First-Team - Defense (*Orange County Register*)
- 2024 Trinity League Co-Most Valuable Player - Defense
- Has committed to play at Arizona where his brother Noah is the starting quarterback for the Wildcats and an alum of Servite. Also had an offer from Utah

1 Jaion "Duce" Johnson-Smith - Running Back | Sophomore | 6-0 / 190

- Collected a 41-yard pass reception in historic win versus Mater Dei on October 10
- Scored what proved to be the game-winning touchdown in victory over Servite
- Established new career highs for rushing yards (122) and touchdowns (3) in rout of Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village). Cited by PrepRedzone.com as one of the best performances of the week
- Eight rush attempts for 59 yards (7.4 average) and 2 touchdowns versus Highland (Palmdale). Named *USA Today* High School Sports team Player of the Week
- PrepRedZone.com: Standout class of 2028 performer in Southern California for Weeks 0 and 1
- Ranked No. 87 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- Has received Division 1 offers from Morgan State, Sacramento State, San Diego State, Syracuse, Maryland, Arkansas and Texas State
- 2024 All-Trinity League Second-Team - Offense

2 Douglas (Trace) Johnson III | Pro Style Quarterback | Senior | 6-2 / 180 – Team Captain

- Engineered a historic comeback victory versus Mater Dei on October 10 with 174 yards passing -- the first SMCHS win over the Monarchs since 2013

- Was 23-for-38 (60.5%) for 211 yards, both season highs, in win at Servite. Has exceeded the 200-plus yard passing threshold in five of six games. The only exception being an early departure in the blowout win at Highland (Palmdale)
- Established new SMCHS career highs for passing yards (253), touchdown passes (4) and completion percentage (77.3%) in rout of Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village). Pass yardage for the game was the most by an Orange County high school quarterback for the week
- Was 8-of-12 (66.7%) for 120 yards and 2 touchdowns passing at Highland (Palmdale) -- Over 67.0% in each of first 3 games this season -- 68.2% overall. Current season record is 67.6% by Jaxon Potter, 67.6% in 2022
- Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial by PrepRedZone.com and a "Big games, big numbers" player by Tarek Fattal of si.com
- Threw two touchdown passes and rushed for another in upset win over Centennial (Corona) In all, was 17-of-25 passing (68.0%) for 209
- ESPN / SC Next Class of 2026 No. 74 Pocket Passer Quarterback Prospect
- Ranked No. 28 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 *The Sporting News* as the No. 10 quarterback in the state
- Named by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 3 senior quarterback in Orange County for Class of 2026
- Selected Third-Team All-Southern California - Quarterback by si.com / SBLive / scorebooklive
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 5 top quarterback in Orange County
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- Named by On3.com as the No. 2 high school transfer that will make a big impact nationally this fall (07/01/25)
- Transfer from Buchholz High Scholl in Gainesville, Florida

| Season | Career Record as Starter: 23-5 | | | | | Touchdowns | |
|------------------|--------------------------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|------------|----------|
| | G | Com | Att | Com % | Yards | Passing | Rushing |
| 2024 - Junior | 14 | 225 | 356 | 63.2 | 3,522 | 29 | 2 |
| 2023 - Sophomore | 14 | 192 | 318 | 60.4 | 2,844 | 35 | 0 |
| Career | 28 | 417 | 674 | 61.9 | 6,366 | 64 | 2 |

- Was the 2024 Florida Class 6A Offensive Player of the Year nominee (of 3)
- 2024: Led school to Florida 6A semifinal / Overall team record -- 10-4
- 2023: Led school to Florida 6A semifinal / Overall team record -- 13-1
- 2023: 4S District 3 Champions -- Lost by 1-point to eventual state champion Lakeland
- 2023: Led school to first unbeaten regular season since 2001
- Has committed to play at Tulane. Also received Division 1 offers from Arkansas State, Central Michigan, Troy, West Virginia, East Carolina, Georgia Southern, Southern Mississippi and Wake Forest
- Notable 2024 Performances

| Opponent | Statistics of Note |
|----------|--|
| Manatee | 453 yards passing |
| Osceola | 439 yards passing / 5 touchdown passes |

3 Fletch Palmer | Quarterback | Sophomore | 6-1 / 180

- Guided the Eagles in three offensive series' versus Highland (Palmdale) and was 1-of-2 passing for 20 yards. Followed that effort with a showing of 4-for-5 for 54 yards at Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village)

4 Trent Mosley | Wide Receiver | Senior | 5-11 / 170 | – Team Captain ★★★★★

- Scored the lone touchdown for SMCHS in historic comeback victory versus Mater Dei on October 10. Tallied eight receptions
- **Established a new school record for pass receptions in a career -- now has 184 with several games yet to be played in 2025 -- broke the record of 178 held by Brian Finneran since 1993**
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-State Team -- First-Team - Multi-Purpose
- 2025 MaxPreps.com Preseason All-America selection: Second-Team - Athlete
- 2025 *The Sporting News* No. 2 Wide Receiver in California
- 2025 si.com / SBLive / scorebooklive All-CIF Southern Section Preseason Team - Athlete
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com All-Southern California Preseason Team -- Receiver
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com No. 3 Receiver to Watch in Southern California
- ESPN / SC Next Class of 2026 No. 34 Wide Receiver Prospect
- Ranked No. 3 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 si.com / SBLive / scorebooklive No. 6 Wide Receiver to Watch

- 2025 *Orange County Register* as the No. 1 receiver in Orange County -- Second-consecutive year
- 2025 *The Sporting News* Preseason First-Team All-State Team - Offense
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports, for class of 2026, as the No. 15 Hot 100 prospect in California (06/26/25)
- Committed to further his career at USC. Had nearly 20 Division 1 offers from top-tier schools including: Alabama, Georgia, Michigan, Oregon, Michigan State, Texas A&M, USC, San Diego State, Stanford, Texas and Notre Dame
- 2024 PrepRedzone.com All-Southern California Junior Team - Offense
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports: Second-Team All-State Elite Team
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports First-Team All-State Junior Team - Multi-Purpose
- 2024 All-CIF-Southern Section Team
- 2024 *The Sporting News* California All-State High School Football Team: First-Team -- All-Purpose
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Offense
- 2024 SBLive / scorebooklive.com / si.com All-CIF Southern Section First-Team - Offense
- 2024 All-Orange County First-Team - Offense (*Orange County Register*)
- 2024 All-Trinity League First-Team - Offense
- Was the featured guest on "Friday Night Live" on Thursday, November 14 -- Prep sports show hosted by *Los Angeles Times* prep guru Eric Sondheimer on "X"
- Continued his assault on the SMCHS Record Book. Mosley caught all least one pass in 28-consecutive games played. The school record is 29 by Brain Finneran in 1993 and Mosley lost his opportunity to establish that mark due to injury
- *Los Angeles Times*' Southland Top Performers for the Week at Orange Lutheran
- Praised by Steve Fryer of the *Orange County Register* for putting self development and team before personal
- Named to the MaxPreps.com Preseason Junior All-America First-Team - Wide Receiver
- Ranked No. 2 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2024 -- "Mosley emerged last season as arguably the top offensive weapon in the County"
- Subject of online feature on Cal-Hi Sports (calhisports.com) "Trent Mosley: Man On The Move" by Chuck Nan -- Published: October 3, 2024 / Link: <https://www.calhisports.com/2024/10/03/trent-mosley-man-on-the-move/>
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 Preseason All-State Team - First-Team Multi-Purpose (WR / KR / RB / Wild / DB)
- Named by Cal-Hi Sports as the "Most Versatile Player on the Field" in 2024
- Selected by SBLive/scorebooklive.com as the No. 2 junior (Class of 2026) wide receiver in the California for 2024
- Selected by SBLive/scorebooklive.com as the No. 2 wide receiver in the CIF-Southern Section for 2024
- Selected to the Preseason All CIF-Southern Section team by SBLive/scorebooklive.com -- "Unguardable"
- Ranked at the No. 1 wide receiver in Orange County by the *Orange County Register* for 2024
- Rated the No. 2 junior class wide receiver in the California for 2024
- Rated the No. 2 wide receiver in the CIF-Southern Section for 2024
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 All-Orange County Preseason Team: First-Team - Multi-Purpose
- 2023 SBLive/scorebooklive.com / si.com All-State - Wide Receiver
- 2023 Cal-Hi Sports "State Sophomore Player of the Year"
- 2023 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Defense
- 2023 All-CIF-Southern Section Team
- 2023 Trinity League Co-Most Valuable Player
- 2023 SMCHS Team Most Valuable Player
- 2023 MaxPreps.com All-State Second-Team - Offense
- 2023 MaxPreps.com Sophomore All-America First-Team - Offense
- 2023 All-Orange County First-Team - Offense (*Orange County Register*)
- 2023 PrepRedzone.com All-Southern California Sophomore Team - Offense
- 2023 SBLive/scorebooklive.com All-Southern Section Team
- Ranked No. 30 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2023
- Named one of the top players on the team by the *Orange County Register* for Fall 2023
- Named the No. 6 wide receiver / tight end in Orange County for the 2023 season by journalist Dan Albano
- Selected as an Underclass All-American by Lemming Prep Football Report (Tom Lemming) for 2023 season
- 2023 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Second-Team - Multi-Purpose
- 2022 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Frosh Watch List
- 2022 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Offense
- 2022 All-Trinity League Second-Team - Offense

5 Logan Hirou | Defensive Back | Senior | 6-1 / 187

- Tied career-high for total tackles in a game with 12 in win over Servite. Named by PrepRedzone.com as having one of the Top Southern California Defensive Games in Week 6
- Interception return for 48 yards and a touchdown at Highland (Palmdale). Now has 9 career interceptions. School record is 12 by Brad Finneran (1991-93)
- Ranked No. 37 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 The Sporting News Honorable Mention - Defensive Back in California
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 4 defensive back in Orange County
- 2025 Third-Team All-Southern California – Quarterback by si.com / SBLive / scorebooklive
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- Has committed to play at UCLA. Also received Division 1 offers from Arizona, California, Colorado State, Cornell, Dartmouth, Harvard, Penn, Princeton, Sacramento State, San Diego State, Utah, Tulane, Nevada-Las Vegas, Washington State and Yale
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Defense
- 2024 All-Trinity League First-Team - Defense
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 All-Orange County Preseason Team: Second-Team - Defense

6 Grant Mosley | Wide Receiver | Sophomore | 6-0 / 175

- Was the team's leading receive in loss to Bishop Gorman with five catches for 73 yards (19.0 average)
- Continued to show remarkable talent as he caught a career-high seven passes versus Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village). Scored one touchdown in third-consecutive game
- Collected one reception for 14 yards and a touchdown in win over Highland (Palmdale)
- PrepRedZone.com: Standout class of 2028 performer in Southern California for Weeks 0 and 1
- With brother Trent watching from the sidelines with an injury, caught a perfect rainbow throw from Trace Johnson for his first high school touchdown -- 39 yards
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com No. 3 Sophomore Receiver to Watch in Southern California
- Cal-Hi Sports: California Freshman Football Players to Watch – 2024 Season -- Older brother Emmett V had a tremendous season as a freshman at Stanford coming off a knee injury and older brother Trent is one of the state's top Class of 2026 prospects as a versatile receiver here at SMCHS
- Became the third Mosley brother to play for the Eagles program. Captured his first varsity reception -- 32 yards -- against Mission Viejo

7 Jayden Crowder | Defensive Back | Senior | 5-11 / 170

- In first-ever appearance on offense, took a 15-yard pass and produced a touchdown for a 7-0 lead at Servite
- Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial by PrepRedZone.com
- Ranked No. 45 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 The Sporting News No. 25 Defensive Back in California for 2025
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 6 defensive back in Orange County
- 2025 Third-Team All-Southern California – Defensive Back by si.com / SBLive / scorebooklive
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports Third-Team All-State Junior Team - Defense
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Defense
- 2024 All-Orange County Third-Team - Defense (*Orange County Register*)
- Commitment to California (UC Berkeley). Also had offers from Miami (Florida), Duke, Washington, Colorado, Tennessee, Texas A&M, SMU, North Carolina, Penn State, San Diego State, Michigan State and UCLA
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 All-Orange County Preseason Team: Third-Team - Defense

8 Ivrick Carrigan | Linebacker | Senior | 6-0 / 213

- Contributed an interception in rout of Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village)
- Named by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 6 senior linebacker in Orange County for Class of 2026
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- All-Sunset League First-Team - Defense

9 Luke Gazzaniga | Tight End | Junior | 6-4 / 225

- Connected with quarterback Trace John for two pass receptions -- on a 39 yard touchdown
- Quickly become a favorite target of quarterback Trace Johnson. In the first two games as teammates, the duo has hooked up for 11 receptions covering 150 yards (13.6 average)

- Collected his second pass reception of the season which was also his first-ever touchdown scored at the prep level -- in a rout of Inglewood in the CIF-SS Division 1 First Round game

11 Simote Katoanga | Edge / Defensive End | Senior | 6-5 / 250 – Team Captain

- Collected 1 1/2 sacks as SMCHS stunned Centennial (Corona). Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial by PrepRedZone.com
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-State Team -- First-Team - Defense
- ESPN / SC Next Class of 2026 No. 12 Defensive End Prospect
- Ranked No. 16 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 *The Sporting News* No. 12 Defensive Lineman in California
- 2025 No. 3 Defensive Lineman to Watch by si.com / SBLive / scorebooklive
- 2025 Preseason All-Southland First-Team - Defense by the *Los Angeles Times*
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 5 lineman in Orange County
- Named by *USA Today* High School Sports / usatodayhss.com as the top-rated defensive lineman recruit in California for the Class of 2026
- 2025 *The Sporting News* Preseason Third-Team All-State Team - Defense
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports, for class of 2026, as the No. 17 Hot 100 prospect in California (06/26/25)
- 2024 *Orange County Register* All-County Second-Team - Defense
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports Second-Team All-State Junior Team - Defense
- 2024 First-Team All-Trinity League - Defense
- Committed to play at USC after having received 30 Division 1 offers -- Arizona, Arizona State, California, Clemson, Georgia, Kansas, Miami (Florida), Michigan State, Florida State, Missouri, Nebraska, North Carolina, Notre Dame, Ohio State, Oklahoma State, Oregon, Sacramento State, San Diego State, Tennessee, Texas, Texas A&M, Nevada - Las Vegas, South Florida, Utah, Washington, Washington State, Western Michigan, Wisconsin, Central Michigan and Marshall

13 Jake Martin | Wide Receiver | Sophomore | 5-11 / 180

- Collected a career-high six pass receptions in win over Servite
- PrepRedZone.com: Standout class of 2028 performer in Southern California for Weeks 0 and 1

14 Joshua “Siua” Holani | Defensive Back | Senior | 5-10 / 175

- Collected one interception in historic comeback victory versus Mater Dei on October 10
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- 2024 All-Trinity League Second-Team - Defense

15 Vai Manutai | Linebacker | Senior | 6-1 / 210

- Collected one sack in historic comeback victory versus Mater Dei on October 10
- Has logged two sacks in 2025 – one versus Mission Viejo and one against Servite

16 Ryan Clark | Wide Receiver | Sophomore | 5-9 / 150

- Contributed two receptions for 28 yards in win at Highland (Palmdale) and followed up that effort with four receptions and a touchdown in win at Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village)
- PrepRedZone.com: Standout class of 2028 performer in Southern California for Weeks 0 and 1 and “Big games, big numbers” player by Tarek Fattal of si.com
- Enjoyed a breakout game versus Centennial (Corona) with seven pass receptions for 78 yards (11.1 average) and his first career touchdown. SMCHS upset the Huskies for the second season in succession. Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial by PrepRedZone.com

17 Jagger Apt | Wide Receiver | Sophomore | 5-9 / 170

- Collected three pass receptions in overtime upset win versus Centennial (Corona) -- the first of his young career

21 Ca’ron “Prime” Williams | Defensive Back | Sophomore | 5-11 / 155

- Notched two interceptions in the span of the last four minutes of the first half against Centennial (Corona), an upset win for the Eagles. He sprinted 62 yards on the first of the two for his first high school touchdown.
 - Named the Orange County Male Athlete of the Week by the *Orange County Register* for his impressive defensive performance
 - PrepRedZone.com: Standout class of 2028 performer in Southern California for Weeks 0 and 1

- Lauded by Eric Sondheimer of the *Los Angeles Times*
- Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic by PrepRedZone.com
- Named a Dominant Defender for Santa Margarita Catholic by PrepRedZone.com
- 2025 MaxPreps.com Preseason All-America Sophomore selection: Second-Team - Defense (Defensive Back)
- Ranked No. 80 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 10 defensive back in Orange County
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- 2024 MaxPreps.com Freshman All-America Team: Second-Team - Defense
- Has received Division 1 offers from Arizona State, Texas A&M, Coastal Carolina, Southern Methodist (SMU), Toledo, Missouri, USC, Washington, San Diego State, North Carolina, Vanderbilt, Idaho and California

26 Adrian Petero | Running Back | Freshman | 5-4 / 165

- Executed one of the most pivotal plays when he caught a pass from Trace Johnson and romped 59-yards versus the Mater Dei defense in historic comeback victory versus Mater Dei on October 10 on late scoring-drive
- Combined with teammate Jaion Smith to gain 156 yards on the ground versus Centennial (Corona). Petero grinded and drove to gain the final two yards of real estate and score the winning touchdown in overtime as well. It was the first score in his young career. Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial by PrepRedZone.com

34 Ty Swanson | Tight End / Long Snapper | Senior | 6-4 / 200

- Has accepted an opportunity as a preferred walk-on at USC

40 Jason Perez | Defensive Lineman | Senior | 6-1 / 230

- 2023 All-Trinity Honorable Mention - Defense

44 Aleki "Leki" Holani | Linebacker | Senior | 6-0 / 223

- Contributed 15 total tackles in historic comeback victory versus Mater Dei on October 10 -- Awarded "State Stat Start of the Week" by Cali-Hi Sports
- Contributed a solid performance in upset victory over Centennial (Corona) with 10 total tackles and one-half sack. On a big fourth-down play early in the game, was able to bat down the quarterback's pass and thwart the Huskies from the end zone. Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial by PrepRedZone.com
- ESPN / SC Next Class of 2026 No. 61 Inside Linebacker Prospect
- 2025 *The Sporting News* No. 9 Linebacker in California
- Ranked No. 47 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 6 linebacker in Orange County
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports Third-Team All-State Junior Team - Defense
- 2024 All-CIF-Southern Section Team
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Defense
- 2024 All-Trinity League First-Team - Defense

47 Ryan Carpenter | Athlete | Sophomore | 6-2 / 200

- Enjoyed first career touchdown score on a 2-yard pass reception in victory at Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village)

50 Adam Iloilo, Jr. | Offensive Lineman | Freshman | 6-4

- Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial by PrepRedZone.com

53 Isaia Vandermade | Offensive / Defensive Lineman | Junior | 6-4 / 280

- Ranked No. 83 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 *The Sporting News* Honorable Mention - Defensive Lineman in California
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com Top Offensive Linemen to Watch in Southern California
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports First-Team All-State Sophomore Team - Offense
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee
- 2024 All-Bay Area News Group - Honorable Mention - Defensive Line
- 2024 *San Francisco Chronicle* All-Metro Team - Honorable Mention
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Central Coast Section Team - Second-Team

- 2024 West Catholic Athletic League - Sophomore Player of the Year
- 2024 All-West Catholic Athletic League - First-Team
- 2024 Preseason All-Bay Area News Group - Defensive Line

56 Aaron Klatt | Center | Junior | 6-1 / 280

- Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial by PrepRedZone.com

58 Tonga Uhila | Defensive Tackle | Junior | 5-10 / 160

- Finished with the best game of his young career with one interception and one sack versus Liberty (Bakersfield) in 2024

77 Niniva Nicholson | Offensive Lineman | Senior | 6-4 / 275 – Team Captain

- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-State Team -- Second-Team - Offense
- 2025 *The Sporting News* No. 4 Offensive Lineman in California
- ESPN / SC Next Class of 2026 No. 79 Offensive Guard Prospect
- Ranked No. 17 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 6 lineman in Orange County
- 2025 *The Sporting News* Preseason First-Team All-State Team - Offense
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com Top Offensive Linemen to Watch in Southern California
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports, for class of 2026, as the No. 74 Hot 100 prospect in California (06/26/25)
- 2024 First-Team All-Trinity League - Offense
- 2024 *Orange County Register* All-County Second-Team - Offense
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports First-Team All-State Junior Team - Offense
- 2023 First-Team All-Trinity League - Offense

78 Manoah Faupusa | Offensive / Defensive Lineman | Senior | 6-4 / 360

- Registered two sacks in loss to Bishop Gorman (Las Vegas) and then followed with another versus Servite a week later
- Ranked No. 17 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 7 lineman in Orange County
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- 2025 *The Sporting News* Honorable Mention - Defensive Lineman in California
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports, for class of 2026, as the No. 50 Hot 100 prospect in California (06/26/25)
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Second-Team - Defense
- 2024 *San Francisco Chronicle* Second-Team All-Metro Team
- 2024 West Catholic Athletic League (WCAL) Defensive Lineman of the Year
- 2024 First-Team All-WCAL -- Notched 20 total tackles, 5 tackles for loss, 1 sack and 5 hurries
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports Third-Team All-State Junior Team - Defense
- Has committed to play at Arizona after also receiving Division 1 offers from North Carolina, Oklahoma State, California, Colorado, Miami (Florida), Sacramento State, San Jose State, Texas, UCLA, Nevada - Las Vegas, USC and Washington

86 Tyler Wiegand | Kicker | Senior | 6-0 / 135

- Successfully connected on crucial PAT conversion kick after low snap in historic comeback victory versus Mater Dei on October 10 -- game-winner
- Is currently 16-for-16 in PAT attempts for the season
- Was a perfect 6-for-6 in PAT attempts in rout of Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village)
- Kicked two successful field goals in win at Highland (Palmdale) -- 34 and 35 yards in length

THIS WEEK'S OPPONENT: ST. JOHN BOSCO



SMCHS Season Game No. 8 / Trinity League Game No. 3

Game Day / Date / Time: Friday, October 17, 2025 / 7:00 p.m.

Game Location: Trabuco Hills High School (Mission Viejo)

Nickname: Braves

Head Coach: Jason Negro

2025 Season: 7-0

Last Week: Won at Orange Lutheran, 48-0

2024 Season: Overall: 11-2 / Trinity League: 4-1 / CIF-Southern Section - Div. 1 Playoffs: 2-1

All-Time Series: St. John Bosco leads 18-5

Last Regular Season Game: St. John Bosco 13, Santa Margarita Catholic 0

Last Postseason Game: CIF-Southern Section Division 1 Playoffs -- St. John Bosco 31, Santa Margarita Catholic 29

Last SMCHS Win: 2011 -- Santa Margarita Catholic 28, St. John Bosco 20 (@ Saddleback College)

Key Players to Watch:

- C.J. Wallace | Place Kicker | Senior
- Carson Clark | Wide Receiver | Senior
- Daniel Odom | Wide Receiver | Senior
- Dutch Horisk | Defensive Lineman | Senior
- Isala Wily-Ava | Defensive Back | Junior
- Jailen Hill | Defensive Back | Junior
- Josh Poyer | Linebacker | Senior
- Joshua Holland | Defensive Back | Senior
- Kaden Franco | Offensive Lineman | Junior
- Koa Malau'ulu | Quarterback | Sophomore
- Luke Barley | Offensive Lineman | Junior
- Madden Williams | Wide Receiver | Senior
- Maddux Sorenson | Offensive Lineman | Senior
- Maliq Allen | Running Back | Junior
- Matthew Muasau | Linebacker | Senior

NEXT WEEK'S OPPONENT: ORANGE LUTHERAN



SMCHS Season Game No. 9 / Trinity League Game No. 4

Game Day / Date / Time: Friday, October 24, 2025 / 7:00 p.m.

Game Location: Trabuco Hills High School (Mission Viejo)

Nickname: Lancers

Head Coach: Rod Sherman

2025 Season: 3-4

Last Week: Lost versus St. John Bosco, 48-0

2024 Season: Overall: 8-4 / Trinity League: 3-2 / CIF-Southern Section - Division 1 Playoffs: 1-1

All-Time Series: Orange Lutheran leads 12-8

Last Game: October 18, 2024 -- OLu won 13-10 @ Orange Coast College

Last SMCHS Win: October 19, 2021 -- Eagles won 35-28 @ Saddleback College

Key Players to Watch:

- Reagan Toki | Quarterback | Junior
- Jae Nembhard | Running Back | Junior
- Chris Flores, Jr. | Wide Receiver | Junior
- Nico Bland | Wide Receiver | Junior
- Christian Panapa | Linebacker | Senior
- Marcus Fakatou | Defensive End | Sophomore
- Auma Jennings | Nose Guard | Senior
- Aiden Migirdichian | Kicker | Senior



ST. JOHN BOSCO

2025 Varsity Football Roster



| No. | Player Name | Pos. | Class |
|-----|-----------------------|---------|-----------|
| 1 | Carson Clark | WR | Senior |
| 2 | Josh Holland | CB / WR | Senior |
| 3 | Daniel Odom | WR | Senior |
| 4 | JaShaun Shaffer | DB / RB | Junior |
| 5 | Maliq Allen | RB | Junior |
| 6 | Jailen Hill | DB | Junior |
| 7 | Madden Williams | WR | Senior |
| 8 | Carlton Conston | DB | Senior |
| 9 | Brodie Scheinberg | QB | Sophomore |
| 10 | Josiah Poyer | LB / RB | Junior |
| 11 | Matthew Muasau | LB / TE | Senior |
| 12 | Koa Malau'ulu | QB | Sophomore |
| 13 | Dorian Franklin | DB / WR | Junior |
| 14 | D.J. Tubbs | WR | Sophomore |
| 15 | Ethan Coach | OLB | Junior |
| 16 | Aidan Marchetta | QB | Sophomore |
| 17 | Noah Perez | WR | Senior |
| 18 | Dillon Davis | DB | Junior |
| 19 | Jacob Whitehead | DB | Junior |
| 20 | Brandon Nash | DB | Sophomore |
| 21 | Prentice Jones | DB | Freshman |
| 22 | Corey Hinton | RB | Sophomore |
| 23 | Isala Wily-Ava | SS / FS | Junior |
| 24 | Ashton Keyes | RB | Senior |
| 26 | Jayden Taylor | WR | Sophomore |
| 27 | Jacob Reid | WR / DB | Sophomore |
| 28 | Darnell Lacy Jr. | DB | Freshman |
| 29 | Daniel McGuire | RB | Senior |
| 30 | Solomon Nash | DB | Freshman |
| 31 | Justin Coach | LB | Junior |
| 32 | Kingston Davis-Butler | RB | Senior |
| 33 | Ahmeer Williamson | LB | Junior |
| 34 | Tyler Klewan | LB | Junior |
| 35 | David Lee | RB | Sophomore |
| 36 | C.J. Wallace | K / P | Senior |
| 37 | C.J. Mariner | DL | Sophomore |
| 39 | Miguel Enciso | DB | Senior |
| 40 | Richard Orosco | DL | Junior |
| 41 | Dutch Horisk | DE | Senior |

| No. | Player Name | Pos. | Class |
|-----|-----------------------|---------|-----------|
| 42 | Gary Foster | LB | Sophomore |
| 43 | Devin Perez | DB | Sophomore |
| 44 | Samuelu Faumuina | DL | Freshman |
| 45 | Kaho Holani | DL | Sophomore |
| 46 | Lincoln Sinozic | DB | Junior |
| 47 | Abraham Silva | LB | Senior |
| 48 | London Mancilla | LB | Junior |
| 49 | Ali Pace | DL | Junior |
| 50 | Jeremiah Currie | OL | Freshman |
| 51 | Marques Torres | OL | Sophomore |
| 52 | Gabriel Villalobos | OL | Junior |
| 53 | Laneselota Olive-Enos | DL | Senior |
| 54 | Sesi Sulunga | DL | Senior |
| 55 | Troy Taavao | OL | Senior |
| 56 | Josiah Smith | DL | Sophomore |
| 57 | Isaiah Maciel | DL / LS | Junior |
| 58 | Kaden Franco | OL | Junior |
| 59 | Samson Aiava | OL | Junior |
| 60 | Ales Solis | OL | Sophomore |
| 67 | Jameson Stringer | OL | Freshman |
| 70 | Reese Asoau | OL | Sophomore |
| 71 | Maddux Sorenson | OL | Senior |
| 72 | Corey Delatorre | OL | Senior |
| 74 | Adrian Tavui | OL | Senior |
| 77 | Micah Paula | OL | Senior |
| 79 | Luke Barley | OL | Junior |
| 80 | Landon Perkins | WR | Sophomore |
| 81 | Trevon Bates | WR | Freshman |
| 82 | Bricen Brooks | WR | Sophomore |
| 83 | Nicholas Chavez | DB | Senior |
| 84 | Nicholas Whiteman | K / P | Junior |
| 85 | Isaiah Utu | WR | Senior |
| 86 | Jorge Campana | TE / DL | Junior |
| 87 | Braydon Johnson | TE | Sophomore |
| 88 | Tristan Corona | WR | Junior |
| 89 | Uzundu Anthony | WR | Freshman |
| 91 | Kekoa Peko | DL | Junior |
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