

Joel Barlow Football vs Weston

The Joel Barlow Falcons delivered an impressive 55-13 victory over the Weston Trojans on Thanksgiving morning, Thursday, Nov. 27. Joel Barlow started strong, jumping to a 28-0 lead in the first quarter, and then finished the half leading 55-6. Weston didn't score on their first four possessions of the game, thanks to Ben Noome's two forced fumbles, each recovered by Barlow, a blocked punt by Alan Gurney, and another punt. Barlow scored touchdowns on their first four drives before Weston finally got on the board. After Weston's first touchdown, Barlow added three more scores, meaning that except for a kneel-down at the end of the first half, they scored on every opportunity. Just when it seemed things couldn't get worse for Weston, they threw a backward pass that was incomplete and returned for a touchdown by William Miller, marking Barlow's eighth score of the first half.

In the second half, the game looked quite different as Barlow began to replace starters early. The offensive starters did not play a single snap in the second half, and the defense consisted mainly of backups after the first Weston possession. Joel Barlow was outscored 7-0 in the second half.

The Barlow defense was dominant from the start. Weston totaled only 163 yards, with 53 rushing yards. Starting quarterback Timothy Martin completed just eight of his 30 passes for 96 yards. Jack Hall and Kaden Holub each recorded interceptions, contributing to four total turnovers with the forced fumbles. Tyler Young, Ben Noome, and Jack Hall each had over four tackles and a tackle for loss. Tyler Young also recorded the only sack of the game. The secondary played exceptionally well. The coverage was tight throughout, and the defensive backs appeared to be well coordinated. William Miller stood out, lining up mostly against

Maddox Parsons, Weston's leading receiver, who was limited to a season low of two catches for 33 yards. Ben Noome and Ben Zirulnik were key players on the defensive line.

Offensively, Joel Barlow hammered Weston on the ground, rushing for a total of 303 yards on 30 carries. Kaden Holub led the way with 110 yards on six carries and two touchdowns. Jack Hall also rushed for over 50 yards and scored once. Frank Branca, Luke Bishop, and Braylon Bennett each averaged over ten yards per carry.

This victory was a memorable way to conclude the 2025-26 season. Joel Barlow's remarkable turnaround from 1-4 to 6-4 included a five-game winning streak to close out the year. Barlow vaulted up to 4th in the SWC conference and narrowly missed qualifying for the Class SS playoffs.