

# Marquette hits on big plays to knock off Hazelwood Central



FLORISSANT — Like good fishermen, Marquette senior JaQuari Parks and junior quarterback Jack Ahlbrand got the Hazelwood Central defense to bite and then reeled in the go-ahead touchdown.

Parks scored on a 44-yard screen pass late in the second quarter to help the Marquette Mustangs prevail in a battle of area Class 6 football heavyweights. Marquette earned a hard-fought 35-26 victory over the Hazelwood Central Hawks in the final regular season game for both teams Saturday afternoon.

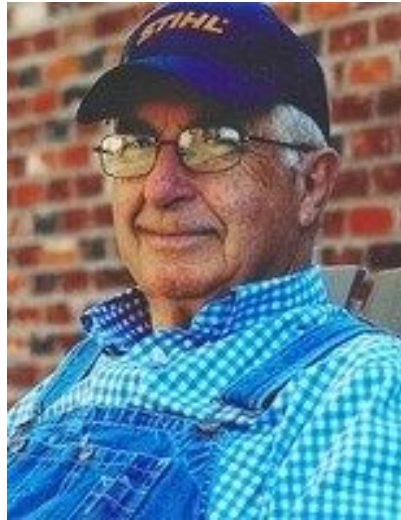
Marquette (8-1) earned its first win over the Hawks, who bested the Mustangs in 2008 and 2010. The victory gave Marquette a seven-game winning streak heading into district play next week. Hazelwood Central (7-2) goes into the postseason looking for a fresh start after dropping its last two games.

On a third-and-7 play, Ahlbrand dropped back deeper than normal. The Hawks defense fell for his ruse. Ahlbrand, who finished with 213 yards passing and two touchdowns, sent the ball to Parks in the flat. Then Parks turned on the jets for a 44-yard touchdown with 47 seconds remaining in the first half. The extra point was blocked by the Hawks senior Kourtland Harris but Marquette went into intermission leading 20-14.

"I saw the outside linebacker just speed right past me," Parks said. "I felt that was a perfect opportunity to open it up. Jack made a great pass, an amazing pass. I just took it to the house. I put my wheels on there and just ran."

# John Emmet Stapleton III

1934 - 2021



## **John Emmet Stapleton III** **Oct. 12, 1934 - Oct. 14, 2021**

John E. Stapleton III died peacefully at home under the care of Hometown Homecare Hospice, surrounded by family on Oct. 14, 2021. He was born in Fayette, MO on Oct. 12, 1934 and spent his formative years in Fayette and in Alexandria, VA. He attended Kemper Military School in Boonville, attended Boys State and graduated from Fayette High School. He earned his Bachelor of Science in Education from the University of Central Missouri in Warrensburg, MO and obtained a master's degree from the University of Missouri, Columbia. Following his education, John served in the military and then began his **ten-year teaching career at the Hazelwood School District in St. Louis**. John's interest in history and people led him to travel to Africa on a Fulbright Scholarship and then to Denmark where he continued his studies. He would eventually return to the family farm in Fayette, where he cultivated his piece of paradise. John was many things including a husband, father, teacher, farmer, mayor of Fayette, public administrator for Howard County, brick mason, building contractor, high-ranking member of the Four Thirty Crowd and a stranger to no one. Many of his brickworks can be seen around Fayette and Howard County.

## Eastern Jackson County high school football scores for Oct. 22

Here are the high school football scores for Eastern Jackson County, the surrounding area and the state.

### OTHER STATE SCORES

Northwest (Cedar Hill) 35, Oakville 9

Orrick 48, Santa Fe 22

Owensville 48, St. Clair 44

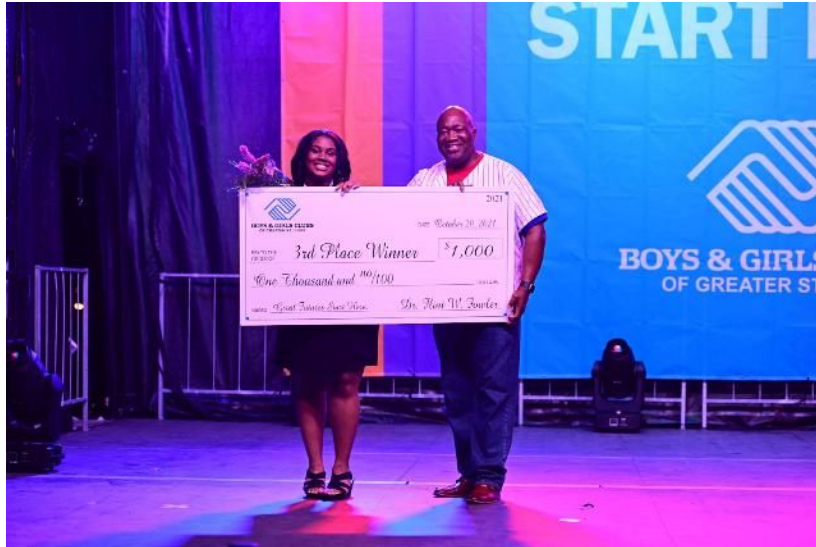
Ozark 38, Carl Junction 16

Pacific 46, St. James 40

Parkway West 36, Parkway North 15

Pattonville 27, Hazelwood East 12

## Youth Of The Year Winner Announced At Boys & Girls Clubs Of Greater St. Louis Great Futures Gala



ST. LOUIS – Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater St. Louis (BGCSTL) is proud to announce the 2022 Youth of the Year winner is O’Fallon Park Club member Lailah Green! Being named Youth of the Year is the highest honor a Boys & Girls Club member can receive and a signature national youth recognition program that celebrates the recipient's contributions to their family, school, community, and their Boys & Girls Club. The winner was announced at the Jerseys & Jewels themed, drive in tailgate-style Great Futures Gala, the largest fundraising event for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater St. Louis, which raised \$700,000 for Club kids and teens!

3rd Place winner receiving a \$1,000 Scholarship is Hazelwood East High member, Hannah Wallace



## Pattonville gets senior night win over Hazelwood East



MARYLAND HEIGHTS, Mo-The **Hazelwood East Spartans** traveled to Maryland Heights Friday night for a featured game in the Verlo Mattress Prep Zone where they faced off against the Pattonville Pirates.

Pattonville doing business on the ground, including on a 35 yard kick return....On a Spartan fumble, Pirate defender Zion Bradsher closes the gap and down goes Spartan QB Mekhi Holmes.

Later it was Charles Johnson Jr. carrying it in for a Pattonville touchdown.

East was trying to hang in on defense....Marquise Harris breaking through the line for a sack with a little help from Jamorria Reed. Later, it was Holmes trying to make something happen, but Bradsher comes in with the big hit....DeAndre Rush Jr. picks it up as Pattonville gets the 27-12 win on Senior night.



## Lindbergh overwhelms Hazelwood West in regular season finale

ST. LOUIS COUNTY, Mo—Hazelwood West visited Lindbergh Friday night in the last week of the regular season for a featured matchup in the Verlo Mattress Prep Zone. Bommarito Automotive Group SKYFOX was there to provide us the action.

The host Flyers with the ball, Owen Norman finds Andrew Poleet for 24 yards. Then on the next play, Norman connects with William Stockmann for 19 yards. One play later, it's Jake Hnilo's turn, finding the endzone to make it 14-0....Lindbergh would win big over Hazelwood West 56-14.



# Kirkwood Pioneers at Eureka Wildcats



**On Kirkwood:** Ended two-game losing streak with decisive win over McCluer North. It's the first win for the Pioneers since standout junior running back Deion Brown was injured against Hazelwood Central on Sept. 24. ... Has won four of six against Eureka since 2015 including last season, 28-17. ... Senior quarterback Louis Kavanaugh has completed 76 of his 116 pass attempts for 1,036 yards, 10 touchdowns and has been intercepted seven times. Sophomore quarterback Creighton Wise has seen more action recently and has completed 16 of 27 passes for 243 yards, three touchdowns and has been intercepted once. In the two games since Brown was injured senior running back Darius Jones has rushed for a combined 253 yards and scored four touchdowns. Junior receiver Tyler Macon has caught 34 passes for 537 yards and scored 11 total touchdowns. ... Junior linebacker Gio Van Jr. has made 45 tackles, four tackles for loss and a sack. Junior defensive back Patrick Fortune has made 40 tackles, 11 tackles for loss and an interception. Senior defensive lineman Brady Nauman has made 18 tackles, six tackles for loss and four sacks.

**On Eureka:** Won five in a row after it lost to Hazelwood Central 25-20 on Sept. 10. In a neck and neck race with rival Summit for the No. 1 seed in the Class 5 District 2 tournament. A win over Kirkwood would lock up the top seed. ... Posted first shutout of season last week against Mehlville. It's the first time this season Mehlville has been shut out. ... Has scored 40 or more points four times this season. ... Senior quarterback Carson Smith has completed 86 of 128 passes for 1,414 yards, 15 touchdowns and has been intercepted six times. Junior running back Kevin Emmanuel has rushed for 1,048 yards and 16 touchdowns. Senior receiver Aidan Fonke has caught 21 passes for 384 yards and scored five touchdowns. ... Senior linebacker Will Nelson has made 77 tackles, three tackles for loss, two sacks and an interception. Senior defensive lineman Martrell Brown has made 35 tackles, eight tackles for loss and five sacks. Senior defensive back Mason Mayer has made 29 tackles and three interceptions.



# RANKEN TECH CAMPUS TOUR - East High School

Thu, Oct 21, 2021 at 9:00 AM

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**East High School, Florissant, MO, 63031**

**Event listing from East High School:** Thursday, October 21 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

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## Missouri's K-12 schools can access free COVID testing. Most haven't signed up



The federal government has earmarked \$185 million to the state of Missouri for free COVID-19 testing in the schools. It's part of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's "ELC-Reopening Schools" initiative, which aims to keep K-12 schools open even as the pandemic drags on. But as of last Friday, Missouri had spent less than \$2 million of it.

Indeed, roughly eight weeks into the school year, only five "local education agencies" throughout the state — a term that includes school districts and private or charter schools — had signed on for testing with the state's contractor, [Ginkgo Bioworks](#), according to the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services. That's even though the free program includes not just tests, but Ginkgo's "push button" service to set things up and keep them running.

Ginkgo is finally starting to make inroads. Last week, another 13 Missouri districts got their testing programs up and running. Now 101 schools throughout the state are using screening testing through Ginkgo, including the [Hazelwood schools](#), the Ferguson-Florissant district and a smattering of charter and Catholic schools around the region.

More should get programs going soon, said Karen Hogan, Ginkgo's Midwest regional lead for K-12 COVID testing.

"Our Missouri team has been on the phone around the clock the last two days," she explained on Wednesday's *St. Louis on the Air*. "Inbound interest is definitely increasing."