

NORTH RANGERS

Friday, September 5, 2025; Nick Carter Stadium
Madison Blue Streaks (1-1) at North Rangers (2-0)

GAME 3

Rangers Game Preview

North will take its home field in Eastlake for the first time this season when the unbeaten Rangers host Madison on Sept. 5 at Nick Carter Stadium.

The Blue Streaks (1-1) are a veteran team, with seven starters returning on both sides of the ball. QB Will Randall is 6-5 with a big arm. The running backs and receivers are veterans, but depth is a concern there, so health is important. Defensively, Tyler Alley is among the area's top returning safeties. LB Chase White (6-2, 220) is a standout on that side of the ball, but Madison has given up 67 points in the first two games.

The Rangers have been prolific with their single wing offense, running over both Lakeside and Harvey. Alexavier Harris and Brayden Sandstrom have been an outstanding 1-2 punch in the backfield behind a physical and gifted offensive line. Josh Fenick just seems to make plays every time he is on the field.

Rangers Weekly Review

North knew the challenge on tap in Week 2 facing Harvey star running back Shahn Alston.

However, it was the Rangers' ground game that stole the show.

Alexavier Harris ran for 221 yards on 21 carries and scored four touchdowns as North defeated the host Red Raiders, 47-22, on Aug, 29.

The Rangers, who are 2-0 for the first time since 2021, gained 370 rushing yards on the night through Harris, Brayden Sandstrom and a physical offensive line.

North's play chart included 38 runs and zero passes.

Early in the second quarter, Harvey (1-1) had pulled within 14-7, when Markese Wise found Alston with a throw in the of the end zone for a 23-yard TD.

Just 16 seconds later, Harris ran 65 yards for a score. The extra point was no good, but the Rangers had the advantage back up to 20-7.

After North's E.J. Cauton had an interception, Harris finished off a 10-play, 49-yard drive with a 4-yard TD run to make it a 27-7 game halftime.
Sandstrom finished with 10 carries for 111 yards.

Josh Fenick returned a fumble for a score for the Rangers.

Madison BLUE STREAKS

Overall Record	**1-1**
Chagrin Valley Conf. - Lake Record	**0-0**

North RANGERS

Overall Record	**2-0**
Western Reserve Conference Record	**0-0**

Date	Opponent	Site		Results and Notes
Aug 22	Lakeside **DRAGONS**	Lakeside Stadium Ashtabula	55-12 **WIN**	Most points in a game since Sept 9, 2011 - a 62-14 win vs the Midpark Meteors
Aug 29	Painesville Harvey **RED RAIDERS**	Jack Britt Stadium Painesville	47-15 **WIN**	North has won the first two games of the season for just the 3rd time since 2010.
Sept 5	Madison **BLUE STREAKS**	Nick Carter Stadium Eastlake	7:00 PM	
Sept 12	Lutheran East **FALCONS**	Lutheran East Stadium Cleveland Heights	7:00 PM	
Sept 19	Garfield Heights **BULLDOGS**	Nick Carter Stadium Eastlake	7:00 PM	
Sept 26	Kenston **BOMBERS**	Nick Carter Stadium Eastlake	7:00 PM	
Oct 3	Chardon **HILLTOPPERS**	Memorial Stadium Chardon	7:00 PM	
Oct 9	South **REBELS**	Harry Winters Stadium Willoughby	7:00 PM	101.5fm 1330am WINTEGRITY Radio
Oct 17	Riverside **BEAVERS**	Nick Carter Stadium Eastlake	7:00 PM	
Oct 24	Mayfield **WILDCATS**	Nick Carter Stadium Eastlake	7:00 PM	

Series History with Madison

Today is the **37th all-time** meeting between the Rangers and Blue Streaks.

The Rangers are just **10-26** all-time in the series. The Rangers have lost three straight games in the series.

2025 Rangers Captains

The 2025 North Rangers captains (as selected by the team): #77 Eddy Kovach Uzl, #7 Cam Spicuzza, #9 Timmy Jesenovec, #3 EJ Cauton, #0 Bray Sandstrom , #5 Alex Harris, #53 Michael Belanich

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OHSAA Adjusts Playoffs

There will be four less qualifiers in each region in the 2025 Ohio high school football playoffs.

The Ohio High School Athletic Association announced Thursday that the number of football teams qualifying for the 2025 postseason will be reduced from 16 to 12 per region.

The top four seeds in each region will receive first-round byes beginning this season. The first three rounds will be hosted by higher seeds instead of the first two rounds, which would allow a top-four seed to still get two home playoff games.

With the top four seeds receiving byes, lower seeds will visit higher seeds in the first round. The No. 5 seed in each region will host the No. 12 seed, No. 6 will host No. 11, No. 7 will host No. 10 and No. 8 will host No. 9.

Chalk Talk with Coach Dodd



"These guys are focused and hungry and want to take on the next challenge, but we know Madison is a balanced team and well coached and we have to clean up some things on special teams."

"I couldn't tell you about a record or scoring or any of that we just have to go out and play hard and if you see these guys in the locker room, I know they are ready,"

Shawn Dodd, a North graduate and former player, returned to lead his alma mater in 2015, taking over the Rangers football program.

Dodd enters his 11th season (2025 season) as the head coach of the Rangers.

As a player for North, Dodd was a three-year varsity starter at safety and wide receiver. He earned All-Greater Cleveland Conference and All-Lake County, while being selected as a News-Herald All-Star and an East-West All-Star Game starter.

Prior to North, Dodd was the head coach at Gilmour Academy and served in several capacities as an assistant coach at Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin and Euclid between 1996 and 2010.

Dodd Coaching Career / Timeline

1996-2006	**Euclid, Assistant Coach**
	(Co-Offensive Coordinator, Wide Receivers Coach, Head JV Coach, Head Freshman Coach)
2007-2010	**NDCL, Assistant Coach**
	(Special Teams Coordinator, Wide Receivers Coach, Defensive Backs Coach)
2011-2014	**Gilmour Academy, Head Coach**
	Record at Gilmour Academy: 21-22-0 (4 seasons)
2015-2025	**North, Head Coach**
	Record at North High School: 34-67-0 (11 seasons)

2025 Western Reserve Conference Expanded Standings

School	WRC	Pct.	Overall	Pct.	H	A	PF	PA	Week 3 Opponent
NORTH RANGERS	**0-0**	**0.000**	**2-0**	**1.000**	**0-0**	**2-0**	**102**	**27**	**vs Madison**
Mayfield Wildcats	0-0	0.000	2-0	1.000	1-0	1-0	48	16	vs Nordonia
Riverside Beavers	0-0	0.000	2-0	1.000	1-0	1-0	44	36	vs Erie Cathedral Prep
South Rebels	0-0	0.000	1-1	0.500	1-0	1-0	63	48	at Brush
Kenston Bombers	0-0	0.000	1-1	1.000	1-0	1-0	60	48	vs NDCL
Chardon Hilltoppers	0-0	0.000	1-1	0.500	0-0	1-1	39	59	vs Erie McDowell

Final Year of the WRC

North will end an 11-year run in WRC this year

The Western Reserve Conference,which began play for the 2015-2016 school year, will end at the conclusion of this school year, as all six current members have agreed to play in new conferences next season. North, South and Chardon all will move to the Chagrin Valley Conference. Two other members — Kenston and Mayfield — will switch to the Suburban League. And Riverside received and accepted an invitation to join the Greater Cleveland Confernce.

Prior to the WRC, North was a member of the Greater Cleveland Conference (1957 to 1997) and the Premier Athletic Conference (1998-2015).

First Season in the CVC

North will join to start the 2026 season

Beginning in August of 2026, the North Rangers will join the second-largest high school athletic conference in the state of Ohio. North will be one of 29 school competing in the Chagrin Valley Conference starting in the fall of 2026.

While complete divisional alignment for all the sports have yet to be drawn up, the league members — both new and old — ratified football divisions that will start in the fall of 2026.

The Rangers will complete as members of the Lake Division with Madison, South, West Geauga, Chardon, Lutheran West and Hawken.

Div. II, Region 5 Standings

The Top 12 Teams Advance to the Post-Season

1	Riverside Beavers	6.5500
2	Nordonia Knights	6.3000
3	Garfield Heights Bulldogs	6.0000
4	Mayfield Wildcats	6.0000
5	Walsh Jesuit Warriors	6.0000
6	NORTH RANGERS	5.9500
7	Twinsburg Tigers	5.7500
8	Uniontown Lake Blue Streaks	5.7500
9	Akron Garfield Rams	4.5000
10	Euclid Panthers	3.9000
11	Austintown Fitch Falcons	3.8000
12	Hudson Explorers	3.6500
13	South Rebels	3.6000
14	Cuyahoga Falls Black Tigers	3.4000
15	Shaker Heights Red Raiders	3.3500
16	Stow Bulldogs	3.0000
17	University School Preppers	2.5000
18	Warren G Harding Raiders	2.5000
19	Akron Archbishop Hoban Knights	2.2500
20	Cleveland John Adams Rebels	2.2500
21	Akron North Vikings	2.0000
22	Youngstown Boardman Spartans	0.0000
23	Akron Firestone Falcons	0.0000
24	Green Bulldogs	0.0000
25	Cleveland John F Kennedy Eagles	0.0000
26	Cleveland John Hay Hornets	0.0000
27	Akron St. Vincent-St Mary Fighting Irish	0.0000

News-Herald Top of Crop

POLL RELEASED ON SEPTEMBER 2

1	Mentor Cardinals	2-0
2	Kirtland Hornets	2-0
3	Perry Pirates	2-0
4	Kenston Bombers	1-1
5	Villa Angela - St. Joseph Vikings	1-1
6	Notre Dame - Cathedral Latin Lions	2-0
7	Riverside Beavers	2-0
8	Benedictine Bengals	2-0
9	Chardon Hilltoppers	1-1
10	NORTH RANGERS	2-0

Cleveland.com Poll

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1	Glenville Tarblooders	2-0
2	St Edward Eagles	2-0
3	Walsh Jesuit Warriors	2-0
4	Mentor Cardinals	2-0
5	Avon Eagles	2-0
6	Akron Archbishop Hoban Knights	1-1
7	Massillon Washington Tigers	1-1
8	Wadsworth Grizzlies	2-0
9	Strongsville Mustangs	2-0
10	Medina Highland Hornets	2-0



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RANGERS - 2025 North Roster

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr
0	Brayden Sandstrom	RB-DB	5'10	175	Sr
1	Grandt Williams	WR-DB	5'10	165	Sr
2	AJ Edwards	RB-DB	5'9	155	Sr
3	EJ Cauton	RB-LB	5'9	165	Sr
5	Alexavier Harris	RB-LB	5'10	185	Sr
7	Cam Spicuzza	WR-DL	6'2	195	Sr
8	Kristopher Fuller	WR-LB	5'8	165	Sr
9	Tim Jesenovec	BB-LB	6	190	Sr
10	Brycen Palmer	RB-DB	5'8	150	Fr
11	Collin Blackburn	RB-DB	5'9	155	Jr
12	Julius Veres	BB-LB	5'10	190	Jr
13	Erremiah Joiner	TE-LB	6	160	So
14	Yahir Rangel	K	5'9	160	Sr
15	Jeremy Matejka	WR-DB	6	160	Sr
16	Sae'ion Law	RB-DB	5'7	135	So
19	Marlon Johnson	RB-LB	5'8	165	Jr
22	Bill Gibson	TE-DB	6'2	210	So
25	Josh Fenick	QB-LB	5'10	210	So
28	Kaydn Young	RB-LB	5'10	190	Jr
29	Michael Darroch	BB-LB	5'10	165	So
30	Keshaun Garner	BB-LB	5'7	150	So
31	Jayden Ward	WR-DB	6	160	So
32	Evan Von Lehmden	RB-DB	5'8	155	So
33	Brand Bambrick	QB-LB	6'3	200	Jr
34	Mike Lowrie	TE-LB	6'1	200	Sr
35	JJ Smith	RB-DB	5'9	160	So
36	Jacob Soto	K	5'9	170	Jr
37	Liam Riedel	QB-DB	6'1	170	So
38	Braylen Thrower	WR-DB	5'11	165	So
41	Brayden Toppings	WR-DB	5'8	140	So
44	Gabe Gould	BB-DL	5'11	220	Sr
45	Liam Piotrowski	WR-DB	5'8	150	Sr
50	Logan Scott	OL-DL	5'10	190	Jr
51	Brady Gezann	OL-DL	5'9	235	Sr
52	John Murphy	OL-DL	6'2	230	So
53	Michael Belanich	OL-DL	6'3	270	Sr
54	Nikko Penn	OL-DL	6'3	265	So
55	Corban Sechler	OL-DL	6	210	So
56	Vincent Latini	OL-DL	5'10	205	So
58	Lucian Schnars	OL-DL	5'10	195	So
61	Connor Vitas	OL-DL	5'10	195	So
62	Chase Slapnik	OL-DL	6	305	Sr
66	Rick Szabo	OL-DL	5'8	220	So
69	Griffin Kumel	OL-DL	6'1	250	So
70	Dylan Albert	OL-DL	6'3	290	So
74	Jeremy Jesvi	OL-DL	6'4	330	Jr
75	Denzel Isom	OL-DL	5'10	330	Sr
76	Jackson Sakal	OL-DL	6	275	Jr
77	Edward Kovach-Uzl	OL-DL	5'10	230	Sr
78	Evan Meyer	OL-DL	6'3	245	Jr
81	Mark Jakovljevic	TE-DL	6'5	220	Jr
82	Miles Sullivan	TE-DL	6'1	190	So

Rangers 2-Deep



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BLUE STREAKS - 2025 Madison Roster

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr
2	Tyler Alley	WR-CB	6'1	180	SR
3	Jimmy Miller	WR-DB	5'10	160	SR
4	Patrick Clark	WR-DB	5'11	170	SR
5	Dom Gephart	TE-LB	6'0	180	SO
6	Gavin Mayfield	WR-DB	5'9	165	JR
10	Will Randall, Jr.	QB	6'4	215	SR
11	Callister McCrone	WR-DB	5'10	165	SR
12	Joe Bergan	TE-LB	5'10	185	SR
13	Mason Nusker	DE-TE	6'3	230	JR
14	Payton Birman	WR-DB	5'7	170	SR
20	Dom Rodeheaver	WR-DB	5'7	145	JR
21	DJ Parsons	WR-DB	6'2	175	SR
22	Anthony Telenko	RB-DB	5'10	180	JR
23	Kamrin Wilson	WR-DB	6'0	165	JR
24	James Poe	RB-DB	5'7	175	SR
25	Lyndon Goglin	WR-DB	6'1	155	JR
26	Noah Wargula	WR-DB	5'9	165	JR
27	Dakota Aufdenberg	TE-LB	6'1	185	SR
28	Chase White	RB-LB	6'2	215	SR
29	Josh White	RB-LB	5'10	210	SO
30	Scott Malik	RB-DB	5'8	150	SR
31	Anthony DeRubertis	WR-DB	5'10	160	SO
32	Parker Johnston	RB-DB	5'11	180	SO
33	Vincente Navarro	DE-TE	5'11	170	SO
34	Sam Crosby	RB-LB	6'0	170	SO
35	Cole Nusker	QB-DB	5'8	145	SO
36	Anthony Celiga	TE-LB	5'8"	170	SO
37	Bob Wyant	RB-LB	6'1"	170	SO
38	Jake Kovacevic	WR-DB	5'9	145	SO
40	Owen Rakes	TE-DB	5'10	145	SO
42	Tommy Beaver	RB-LB	5'7	140	JR
44	Jacob Bergan	TE-LB	5'10	170	SR
45	Adrian Martinez	TE-LB	5'9	155	SO
46	Ethan Glover	WR-DB	5'11	160	SO
49	Jace McCoy	RB-LB	5'11	165	SO
50	Luke Young	OL-DL	6'1	215	SR
52	Caden Mumau	OL-DL	5'8	180	SO
54	John Deligianis	OL-DL	6'1	220	SR
55	Gavin Montagner	OL-DL	6'5	280	SR
57	Andrew Covert	OL-LB	5'11	215	SR
59	Kaleb Pompeo	OL-DL	5'9	210	SO
60	Ethan Toth	OL-DL	5'10	225	SR
62	Dylan Morgan	OL-DL	5'7	215	SO
66	Joey Bosworth	OL-DL	6'2	290	SR
71	Ivan Cardona	OL-DL	6'0	245	JR
72	Brayden Wolf	OL-DL	5'9	185	SO
73	Michael Susevich	OL-DL	6'0	235	JR
74	Jory Lekan	OL-DL	6'1	220	SO
75	Leland Scheel	OL-DL	5'11	245	JR
77	Cameron Mullen	OL-DL	6'0	275	SR
78	Ben Watson	OL-DL	6'0	250	SO
80	Marcus Curry	WR-DB	5'9	135	SO
83	Derek Solar	TE-DL	5'10	165	SO
84	Braden Scimenes	WR-DB	5'10	145	SO
94	Nate Henderson	TE-LB	5'7	145	JR

Rangers Previous Seasons

2024 SEASON

3-7 overall, 0-5 WRC, 23rd in Region 5

8-23	H	Lakeside		L	14-21
8-30	H	Norwalk		W	17-12
9-6	A	Madison		L	0-18
9-13	A	Brush		W	31-17
9-20	H	Garfield Heights		W	14-12
9-27	A	Mayfield	*	L	0-6
10-4	A	Riverside	*	L	0-34
10-11	H	South	*	L	7-27
10-18	H	Chardon	*	L	7-42
10-25	A	Kenston	*	L	7-42

2023 SEASON

3-7 overall, 1-4 WRC, 20th in Region 5

8-18	A	Lakeside		L	14-22
8-25	A	Norwalk		W	35-0
9-1	H	Madison		L	13-27
9-8	H	Brush		W	26-14
9-15	A	Garfield Heights		L	13-14
9-22	H	Mayfield	*	L	10-36
9-29	H	Riverside	*	L	14-43
10-6	A	South	*	W	10-3
10-13	A	Chardon	*	L	0-56
10-20	H	Kenston	*	L	21-49

2022 SEASON

1-9 overall, 1-6 WRC, 26th in Region 5

8-19	A	Garfield Heights		L	15-16
8-26	H	Richfield Revere		L	21-28
9-2	H	Lakeside		L	0-26
9-9	A	Kenston	*	L	28-31
9-16	H	South	*	L	14-35
9-23	A	Madison	*	L-OT	14-20
9-30	A	Riverside	*	L	7-49
10-7	H	Mayfield	*	L	21-40
10-14	A	Brush	*	W	35-13
10-21	H	Chardon	*	L	0-35

2021 SEASON

4-7 overall, 2-5 WRC, 0-1 OHSAA (14th in Region 5)

8-20	H	Garfield Heights		W	22-15
8-27	A	Richfield Revere		W	33-12
9-3	A	Lake Catholic		L	7-28
9-10	H	Kenston	*	L	13-40
9-17	A	South	*	L	7-38
9-24	H	Madison	*	W	28-7
10-1	H	Riverside	*	L	14-42
10-8	A	Mayfield	*	L	7-16
10-15	H	Brush	*	W	24-19
10-22	A	Chardon	*	L	0-38
10-29	A	Akron A'B Hoban		L	0-49

2020 SEASON

3-4 overall, 2-3 WRC, 0-1 OHSAA

8-28	A	Chardon	*	L	7-42
9-4	H	University School		W	41-14
9-11	H	Madison	*	W	34-0
9-17	A	Kenston	*	W	26-14
9-25	H	South	*	L-OT	22-28
10-2	A	Riverside	*	L	0-34
10-9	H	Garfield Heights		L	7-13