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Casey Myser has been the man for Highland all season long.

On Thursday, however, Myser had the best game of his career and stamped his name on Highland's record books.

Myser ran for 324 yards and 4 TDs vs. Revere at North Gateway Tire Stadium. Those four scores gave him 29 total TDs in 2024, breaking the single-season TD record set by Jake Rogers in 2018.

Myser's night combined with Highland defense's third shutout of the season to give the Hornets (8-0, 5-0) a 41-0 win over Revere (5-3, 2-3).

"All week, my coaches were telling me I was four touchdowns away from our school record. That was motivation for me all week," Myser said. "All my linemen knew, so they really wanted me to get it. They really were blocking well."

"He's a special talent and a special player," said Highland coach Mike Gibbons.

"Obviously, our offensive line and our receivers blocked really well tonight. Defensively, we were outstanding all night long."

It wasn't a perfect night for Highland, as Revere put up stiff resistance early. However, Highland was able to wear down the Minutemen to set up Myser's big night.

"I told the kids 'It's not always going to be easy,'" Gibbons said. "You're going going to clock everyone at halftime. That's not normal. I think [Revere] is very solid. I thought it might be a tough sled in there."

Myser announced his intention with a 61-yard TD run on the opening drive, but Highland struggled on its next two drives.

Quarterback Dylan Borla used Myser as a decoy in the second quarter. His play-action pass left Nick Dobkowski wide open for a 19-yard TD passes.

Myser sandwiched big TD runs around halftime, running in a 31-yard sweep in the second quarter and a busting an 80-yard TD up the gut in the third.

Myser's record-breaking touchdown came on a 1-yard plunge with 4:24 left in the third quarter to engage the running clock. Highland's reserves got in on the fun late, as Dylan Lazar ran in an 8-yard TD in the final minute.

Aside from its first drive, Revere's offense was stuck in neutral all night. Minuteman quarterback Luke Farris went 6-of-14 for 48 yards, while Revere ran for only 25 yards.

Here are the live updates from the game:

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Highland stays undefeated with 41-0 win over Revere

The Hornets moved to 8-0 on the season, while Revere drops to 5-2.

Highland adds another TD in final minute vs. Revere

Highland's reserve players are getting into the fun. Running back Dylan Lazar runs in an 8-yard TD. Metzger's PAT makes it 41-0 with 58 seconds left.

Highland leads Revere 34-0 after three quarters

Highland is cruising towards its eighth straight win, leading 34-0 over three quarters. Revere has first and 10 at its own 41 to start the fourth quareter.

Highland's Casey Myser gets fourth TD vs. Revere

Casey Myser's big night continues. The Highland running back plunged into the end zone from a yard out to score TD No. 4 on the night. Myser has 324 yards and 4 TDs.

Chris Metzger hits his second PAT to make it 34-0 with 4:24 left in the third quarter, which will invoke the running clock rule.

Highland's Casey Myser explodes for 80-yard TD run

Chalk up another big run for Highland's Casey Myser. Myser ran up the middle, shook off a tackle and galloped 80 yards for his third TD run of the night. He has 284 yards rushing tonight. Chris Metzger hits the PAT for Highland to make it 27-0 with 9:29 left in the third quarter.

Halftime statistics from Highland-Revere football

Highland - 218 yards rushing; 46 yards passing. Leaders: Dylan Borla 6-of-10, 46 yards, 1 TD; Casey Myser 16 rushes, 204 yards, 2 TDs; Nick Dobkowski 3 catches, 37 yards, 1 TD.

Revere - 18 yards rushing; 29 yards passing. Leaders: Luke Farris 3-of-8 29 yards passing; Johlil Blanchard 9 carries, 22 yards; Nick Hall, 1 catch, 13 yards.

Casey Myser, Highland defense help lead Hornets to 20-0 halftime lead over Revere

Casey Myser breaks loose again to add to Highland's lead over Revere

Casey Myser did it again.

Myser took a sweep left and ran down the sideline for a 47-yard TD run. The 2-point conversion pass falls incomplete, but Highland moves its lead to 20-0 with 31 seconds left in the first half.

Highland remains in control with a 20-0 lead at halftime. Revere will receive the second half kickoff.

Highland football goes to the air to double its lead vs. Revere

The Highland offense shows it is not just a running unit. Quarterback Dylan Borla worked

a nice play-action pass over the middle to Nick Dobkowski for a 19-yard TD. Borla then hit Dobowski with a 2-point conversion pass to make it 14-0 Hornets with 8 minutes left in the second quarter.

Highland football leads 7-0 after one quarter over Revere

Revere was able to move the ball in the first quarter, but did not threaten to score. The Minutemen punted on the final play of the first quarter and Highland's Nick Dobkowski returns it to the Revere 47. Highland will start the second quarter there.

Highland football strikes quick to open game vs. Revere

It didn't take long for Highland to score.

Running back Casey Myser broke loose for a 61-yard TD run up the left sideline. That run put Myser over the 1,000-yard mark for the season. Dylan Borla's pass on the 2-point conversion attempt is incomplete, but Highland has the lead 6-0 with 10:58 left in the first quarter.

How Highland football has fared this season

Date	Opponent	Result
Aug. 23	at Hudson (4-3)	W, 31-24
Aug. 30	North Royalton (1-6)	W, 50-20
Sept. 6	Brunswick (3-4)	W, 37-0
Sept. 13	Copley (3-4)	W, 44-7
Sept. 20	at Tallmadge (4-3)	W, 49-0
Sept. 27	at Barberton (1-6)	W, 49-7
Oct. 4	Kent Roosevelt (2-5)	W, 56-7

How Revere football has fared this season

Date	Opponent	Result
Aug. 23	Woodridge (2-5)	W, 7-6
Aug. 30	Garfield (3-4)	W, 50-7

Sept. 6	at Ravenna (3-4)	W, 35-9
Sept. 13	Aurora (7-0)	L, 42-10
Sept. 20	at Cuyahoga Falls (2-5)	W, 49-0
Sept. 27	at Tallmadge (4-3)	L, 20-13
Oct. 4	Barberton (2-5)	W, 26-21

Players to watch during Highland vs. Revere football

Running back Casey Myser continues to be the heart of the Hornets offense. Against Kent Roosevelt, he put up 156 rushing yards and three TDs on just 15 carries, along with a receiving touchdown. ... QB Dylan Borla completed 12 of 15 passes for 275 yards and three TDs vs. Roosevelt. He also has been a threat in the read-option game. ... The Minutemen allowed less than five points a game in their five victories. ... QB Luke Farris is a dual threat. He completed 8 of 15 passes for 117 yards and ran for 60 yards on nine carries in Revere's Week 7 win over Barberton. ... RB Johlil Blanchard ran for 179 yards and a TD vs. Barberton.

How the coaches rank for Highland-Revere football

Highland coach Mike Gibbons has turned the Hornets into a perennial conference and playoff contender. He is 78-29 in his 10th year with Highland, having led the Hornets to the regional final last season.

Bobby Nickol is in his third season at Revere and has already led the Minutemen to equal last year's win total. At Revere, Nickol's record is 13-15.