

ROADRUNNERS SHUT OUT AS THEY LOSE SECOND IN A ROW
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MARICOPA, Ariz. – When attempting to come back from your first loss of the season, a team can ill afford to lose four starters. But this was the exact scenario San Tan Charter School (3-2) had to deal with coming into tonight's match up with Sequoia Pathway. The losses proved to be more than the Roadrunners could overcome on this night as they fell to the Pumas 26-0 at Pacana Park. The first time the school has been shut out as a varsity program.

"Losing those guys was tough," said Roadrunners head coach **Darrell Reid**. "We moved some other guys around to fill in those spots and it just didn't work the way we thought it would"

One of the positions the Roadrunners had to replace was at quarterback and they called upon junior star wide receiver **Kris Sippel** to fill the void. Sippel went 5-15 for 75 yards and an interception although a number of catchable balls were dropped.

"I thought Kris handled things well, said Reid. "We didn't help him with the dropped balls and some missed blocking assignments."

The Roadrunners only reached the red zone once and committed two turnovers. San Tan only had one turnover on defense themselves. Offensively, San Tan drives ended in two punts, a fumble and interception downs, the end of the first half and the end of the game.

Defensively, the players with new positions struggled with unfamiliarity with their position assignments which resulted in some bigger than usual plays allowed.

Senior **Dimitry Hayes** was a bright spot for San Tan as he led the team in tackles with six and caught three passes for 43 yards and was targeted seven times.

The Roadrunners return home next week for homecoming with a matchup with St. John Paul II at San Tan Stadium. San Tan defeated St. John Paul II in their first game of the season 50-0.

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