SANTA MARGARITA
CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
2025 VARSITY FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

2 State Championships	29 CIF-Southern Section Playoff Appearances	37th Varsity Season
1997 Division II 2011 Division I **3 CIF-Southern Section Championships** 1996 Division V 1997 Division V 2011 PAC-5	1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2016, 2017 2019, 2021 (Fall), 2022, 2023 & 2024 **4 League Championships** 1996, 1997, 2000 & 2001	Overall Record: 256-160-3 (.615) Home: 139-72-3 (.657) Road: 117-88-0 (.570) **9 Nationally-Ranked Teams** 1997, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2011, 2012, 2017, 2024 & **2025**

Program Retired Number Honorees: 2 – Minna | 3 – Palmer | 4 – Newman / Stanton | 54 – Frost | 82 – Minardi

2022 California High School Football Hall of Fame Inductees: Carson Palmer (Quarterback) & Harry Welch (Head Coach)

1 Heisman Trophy Winner • 1 Johnny Unitas Award Winner • 1 Outland Trophy Winner • 1 NFL Walter Peyton "Man of the Year" Award Winner • 3 Elite 11 Quarterbacks • HSRatings.com No. 10 Most Dominant Prep Football Program in California: 2001-2024

★ **2024-25 No. 1 California High School for *"Overall Outstanding Athletic Excellence"* -- Cal-Hi Sports and MaxPreps.com** ★

Orange Lutheran Lancers (4-4) at Santa Margarita Catholic Eagles (5-3)

Trabuco Hills High School (Mission Viejo)
Friday, October 24, 2025 • 7:00 p.m.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM LAST WEEK'S GAME VS. ST. JOHN BOSCO

After a thrilling upset of mighty Mater Dei the previous week, Santa Margarita Catholic High School (SMCHS) faced off with the de facto No. 1 team in the nation -- St. John Bosco. The Eagles were looking to shake the high school football world for the second-straight game and although they stood tall, the Braves muscled their way to a 27-14 win.

SMCHS fought back twice from a two touchdown deficit to close within seven points. A drive in the fourth quarter looked promising until clock time and downs thwarted another score.

Highlights

- Trent Mosley took a direct snap and romped 69-yards to the SJB one-yard line on a direct snap form the wildcat. That setup a one-yard rushing touchdown on the next play. The score cut the Braves' lead to 14-7
- Later, Mosley took another direct snap and ran wide to the right and outpaced a SJB defender to the pylon for a four-yard touchdown to culminate a seven-minute, 80-yard drive. At that point, the Eagles still kept pace, cutting the score to 21-14
- Mosley finished with 94 yards rushing on nine attempts (10.4 average) which is a new career-high on the ground
- With his two scores, Mosley notched his fourteenth multi-touchdown game of his career
- Those two touchdowns give him 48 for his SMCHS career -- third-best on the all-time school list

Trent Mosley Career	
Touchdown Type	**Total**
Receiving	22
Rushing	25
Punt Return	1
Grand Total	**48**

All-Time Touchdowns Scored	
Player Name	**Total**
Josh Ireland	61
Ryan Wolpin	55
Trent Mosley	**48**

- Dash Fifita and Manoah Faupusa each collected one sack
- Tonga Uhila blocked at PAT attempt
- Jaion Smith: five pass receptions, now has 15 for the season

RECENT HONORS & AWARDS

Los Angeles Chargers
Coach of the Week
- Carson Palmer

The Sporting News EST 1886
Nominee - Midseason National Defensive Player of the Year
- Dash Fifita

CalHiSports.com
Southern California Player of the Week Nomin
Awarded "Stat Star of the Week"
- Leki Holani

CURRENT COMPOSITE POLL RANKINGS

Media Outlet	Coverage Area	Poll Rank
The Orange County Register / ocregister.com	Orange County	2
The Los Angeles Times / latimes.com	Los Angeles Metro	5
	Orange County	2
Cal-Hi Sports / calhisports.com	California	5
	CIF-Southern Section	5
HS Ratings / hsratings.com	Nation - Computer	8
	California	4
	CIF-Southern Section	4
MaxPreps.com (PlayOn! Sports / NFHS Network)	Nation - Composite	11
	Nation - Computer	10
	Nation - Manual	9
	California	4
si.com / SBLive / scorebooklive.com Sports Illustrated High School	Nation	21
	Southwest Region	7
	California	4
	CIF-Southern Section	4
Massey Ratings	Nation	43
	California	4
	California - Composite	14
On3.com / rivals	Nation - Composite	4
	California	9
High School Football America (HSFA) / NFL Play Football highschoolfootballamerica.com	Nation	3
	California	2
The Sporting News / sportingnews.com	Nation	15
	Nation - Composite	- - -
	California	4
	CIF-Southern Section	4
ESPN SC Next / espn.com	Nation	8
	California	3
USA Today High School Sports / usatodayhss.com	Nation	8
	California	3
RepMax Media High School Sports News / repmaxmedia.com	California	5
Blue Star Media / bluestarmedia.org	Nation	17
	Far West Region	5
	California	4
JPWest Media / jpwestmedia.com	CIF-Southern Section	4
nationalhsfb.com / National High School Football	Nation	7
	California	3
ITG Next / itgnext.com	Nation	16
Here Mission Viejo / heremissionsviejo.com	CIF-Southern Section	4
InfoCityBA / infocityba.com.ar	CIF-Southern Section	5

Cal Coast Times / calcoasttimes.com	California	7
RepMax Media High School Sports News / repmaxmedia.com	California	5

SANTA MARGARITA CATHOLIC - PLAYER NOTES, HIGHLIGHTS & STATS

0 Dash Fifita | Linebacker | Senior | 5-10 / 185 – Team Captain

- Recorded a sack in loss to St. John Bosco
- *The Sporting News* Midseason National High School Defensive Player of the Year nominee
- Registered one sack in historic win versus Mater Dei on October 10
- Highlighted in the *Orange County Register* with a feature: Santa Margarita Catholic's Dash Fifita Inspired By Brother and "Best Friend" Noah on October 1, 2025
- Named to Watch List for the County's 2025 Defensive Player of the Year by the *Orange County Register* and the CIF-Southern Section Defensive Player of the Year by si.com
- Registered two sacks in loss to Bishop Gorman (Las Vegas)
- Steve Fryer / *Orange County Register* -- Early season surprises (09/11/25): A candidate for Orange County Defensive Player of the Year -- has sideline-to-sideline speed and crashing hitting style reminiscent of Junior Seau
- Anchored the defense in compiling the first win of the season, a big upset of Centennial (Corona). Led the team with 14 total tackles
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-State Team -- Third-Team - Defense
- ESPN / SC Next Class of 2026 No. 57 Inside Linebacker Prospect
- 2025 *The Sporting News* No. 1 Linebacker in California
- Ranked No. 11 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 Preseason All-Southland First-Team - Defense by the *Los Angeles Times*
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 1 linebacker in Orange County
- 2025 *The Sporting News* Preseason First-Team All-State Team - Defense
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- 2024 PrepRedzone.com All-Southern California Junior Team - Defense
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports Second-Team All-State Junior Team - Defense
- 2024 All-CIF-Southern Section Team
- 2024 *The Sporting News* California All-State High School Football Team: Second-Team - Defense
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Defense
- 2024 SBLive / scorebooklive.com / si.com All-CIF Southern Section First-Team - Defense
- 2024 All-Orange County First-Team - Defense (*Orange County Register*)
- 2024 Trinity League Co-Most Valuable Player - Defense
- Has committed to play at Arizona where his brother Noah is the starting quarterback for the Wildcats and an alum of Servite. Also had an offer from Utah

1 Jaion "Duce" Johnson-Smith - Running Back | Sophomore | 6-0 / 190

- Collected a 41-yard pass reception in historic win versus Mater Dei on October 10
- Scored what proved to be the game-winning touchdown in victory over Servite
- Established new career highs for rushing yards (122) and touchdowns (3) in rout of Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village). Cited by PrepRedzone.com as one of the best performances of the week
- Eight rush attempts for 59 yards (7.4 average) and 2 touchdowns versus Highland (Palmdale). Named *USA Today* High School Sports team Player of the Week
- PrepRedZone.com: Standout class of 2028 performer in Southern California for Weeks 0 and 1
- Ranked No. 87 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- Has received Division 1 offers from Morgan State, Sacramento State, San Diego State, Syracuse, Maryland, Arkansas and Texas State
- 2024 All-Trinity League Second-Team - Offense

2 Douglas (Trace) Johnson III | Pro Style Quarterback | Senior | 6-2 / 180 – Team Captain

- Engineered a historic comeback victory versus Mater Dei on October 10 with 174 yards passing -- the first SMCHs win over the Monarchs since 2013
- Was 23-for-38 (60.5%) for 211 yards, both season highs, in win at Servite. Has exceeded the 200-plus yard passing threshold in five of six games. The only exception being an early departure in the blowout win at Highland (Palmdale)

- Established new SMCHS career highs for passing yards (253), touchdown passes (4) and completion percentage (77.3%) in rout of Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village). Pass yardage for the game was the most by an Orange County high school quarterback for the week
- Was 8-of-12 (66.7%) for 120 yards and 2 touchdowns passing at Highland (Palmdale) -- Over 67.0% in each of first 3 games this season -- 68.2% overall. Current season record is 67.6% by Jaxon Potter, 67.6% in 2022
- Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial by PrepRedZone.com and a "Big games, big numbers" player by Tarek Fattal of si.com
- Threw two touchdown passes and rushed for another in upset win over Centennial (Corona) In all, was 17-of-25 passing (68.0%) for 209
- ESPN / SC Next Class of 2026 No. 74 Pocket Passer Quarterback Prospect
- Ranked No. 28 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 *The Sporting News* as the No. 10 quarterback in the state
- Named by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 3 senior quarterback in Orange County for Class of 2026
- Selected Third-Team All-Southern California - Quarterback by si.com / SBLive / scorebooklive
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 5 top quarterback in Orange County
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- Named by On3.com as the No. 2 high school transfer that will make a big impact nationally this fall (07/01/25)
- Transfer from Buchholz High Scholl in Gainesville, Florida

Season	Career Record as Starter: 23-5					Touchdowns	
	G	Com	Att	Com %	Yards	Passing	Rushing
2024 - Junior	14	225	356	63.2	3,522	29	2
2023 - Sophomore	14	192	318	60.4	2,844	35	0
Career	**28**	**417**	**674**	**61.9**	**6,366**	**64**	**2**

- Was the 2024 Florida Class 6A Offensive Player of the Year nominee (of 3)
- 2024: Led school to Florida 6A semifinal / Overall team record -- 10-4
- 2023: Led school to Florida 6A semifinal / Overall team record -- 13-1
- 2023: 4S District 3 Champions -- Lost by 1-point to eventual state champion Lakeland
- 2023: Led school to first unbeaten regular season since 2001
- Has committed to play at Tulane. Also received Division 1 offers from Arkansas State, Central Michigan, Troy, West Virginia, East Carolina, Georgia Southern, Southern Mississippi and Wake Forest
- Notable 2024 Performances

Opponent	Statistics of Note
Manatee	453 yards passing
Osceola	439 yards passing / 5 touchdown passes

3 Fletch Palmer | Quarterback | Sophomore | 6-1 / 180

- Guided the Eagles in three offensive series' versus Highland (Palmdale) and was 1-of-2 passing for 20 yards. Followed that effort with a showing of 4-for-5 for 54 yards at Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village)

4 Trent Mosley | Wide Receiver | Senior | 5-11 / 170 | – Team Captain ★ ★ ★ ★

- Scored the lone touchdown for SMCHS in historic comeback victory versus Mater Dei on October 10. Tallied eight receptions
- **Established a new school record for pass receptions in a career -- now has 184 with several games yet to be played in 2025 -- broke the record of 178 held by Brian Finneran since 1993**
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-State Team -- First-Team - Multi-Purpose
- 2025 MaxPreps.com Preseason All-America selection: Second-Team - Athlete
- 2025 *The Sporting News* No. 2 Wide Receiver in California
- 2025 si.com / SBLive / scorebooklive All-CIF Southern Section Preseason Team - Athlete
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com All-Southern California Preseason Team – Receiver
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com No. 3 Receiver to Watch in Southern California
- ESPN / SC Next Class of 2026 No. 34 Wide Receiver Prospect
- Ranked No. 3 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 si.com / SBLive / scorebooklive No. 6 Wide Receiver to Watch
- 2025 *Orange County Register* as the No. 1 receiver in Orange County -- Second-consecutive year
- 2025 *The Sporting News* Preseason First-Team All-State Team - Offense

- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports, for class of 2026, as the No. 15 Hot 100 prospect in California (06/26/25)
- Committed to further his career at USC. Had nearly 20 Division 1 offers from top-tier schools including: Alabama, Georgia, Michigan, Oregon, Michigan State, Texas A&M, USC, San Diego State, Stanford, Texas and Notre Dame
- 2024 PrepRedzone.com All-Southern California Junior Team - Offense
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports: Second-Team All-State Elite Team
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports First-Team All-State Junior Team - Multi-Purpose
- 2024 All-CIF-Southern Section Team
- 2024 *The Sporting News* California All-State High School Football Team: First-Team – All-Purpose
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Offense
- 2024 SBLive / scorebooklive.com / si.com All-CIF Southern Section First-Team - Offense
- 2024 All-Orange County First-Team - Offense (*Orange County Register*)
- 2024 All-Trinity League First-Team - Offense
- Was the featured guest on "Friday Night Live" on Thursday, November 14 -- Prep sports show hosted by *Los Angeles Times* prep guru Eric Sondheimer on "X"
- Continued his assault on the SMCHS Record Book. Mosley caught all least one pass in 28-consecutive games played. The school record is 29 by Brain Finneran in 1993 and Mosley lost his opportunity to establish that mark due to injury
- *Los Angeles Times'* Southland Top Performers for the Week at Orange Lutheran
- Praised by Steve Fryer of the *Orange County Register* for putting self development and team before personal
- Named to the MaxPreps.com Preseason Junior All-America First-Team - Wide Receiver
- Ranked No. 2 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2024 -- "Mosley emerged last season as arguably the top offensive weapon in the County"
- Subject of online feature on Cal-Hi Sports (calhisports.com) "Trent Mosley: Man On The Move" by Chuck Nan -- Published: October 3, 2024 / Link: https://www.calhisports.com/2024/10/03/trent-mosley-man-on-the-move/
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 Preseason All-State Team - First-Team Multi-Purpose (WR / KR / RB / Wild / DB)
- Named by Cal-Hi Sports as the "Most Versatile Player on the Field" in 2024
- Selected by SBLive/scorebooklive.com as the No. 2 junior (Class of 2026) wide receiver in the California for 2024
- Selected by SBLive/scorebooklive.com as the No. 2 wide receiver in the CIF-Southern Section for 2024
- Selected to the Preseason All CIF-Southern Section team by SBLive/scorebooklive.com -- "Unguardable"
- Ranked at the No. 1 wide receiver in Orange County by the *Orange County Register* for 2024
- Rated the No. 2 junior class wide receiver in the California for 2024
- Rated the No. 2 wide receiver in the CIF-Southern Section for 2024
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 All-Orange County Preseason Team: First-Team - Multi-Purpose
- 2023 SBLive/scorebooklive.com / si.com All-State - Wide Receiver
- 2023 Cal-Hi Sports "State Sophomore Player of the Year"
- 2023 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Defense
- 2023 All-CIF-Southern Section Team
- 2023 Trinity League Co-Most Valuable Player
- 2023 SMCHS Team Most Valuable Player
- 2023 MaxPreps.com All-State Second-Team - Offense
- 2023 MaxPreps.com Sophomore All-America First-Team - Offense
- 2023 All-Orange County First-Team - Offense (*Orange County Register*)
- 2023 PrepRedzone.com All-Southern California Sophomore Team - Offense
- 2023 SBLive/scorebooklive.com All-Southern Section Team
- Ranked No. 30 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2023
- Named one of the top players on the team by the *Orange County Register* for Fall 2023
- Named the No. 6 wide receiver / tight end in Orange County for the 2023 season by journalist Dan Albano
- Selected as an Underclass All-American by Lemming Prep Football Report (Tom Lemming) for 2023 season
- 2023 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Second-Team - Multi-Purpose
- 2022 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Frosh Watch List
- 2022 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Offense
- 2022 All-Trinity League Second-Team - Offense

5 Logan Hirou | Defensive Back | Senior | 6-1 / 187

- Tied career-high for total tackles in a game with 12 in win over Servite. Named by PrepRedzone.com as having one of the Top Southern California Defensive Games in Week 6
- Interception return for 48 yards and a touchdown at Highland (Palmdale). Now has 9 career interceptions. School record is 12 by Brad Finneran (1991-93)
- Ranked No. 37 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 The Sporting News Honorable Mention - Defensive Back in California
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 4 defensive back in Orange County
- 2025 Third-Team All-Southern California – Quarterback by si.com / SBLive / scorebooklive
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- Has committed to play at UCLA. Also received Division 1 offers from Arizona, California, Colorado State, Cornell, Dartmouth, Harvard, Penn, Princeton, Sacramento State, San Diego State, Utah, Tulane, Nevada-Las Vegas, Washington State and Yale
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Defense
- 2024 All-Trinity League First-Team - Defense
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 All-Orange County Preseason Team: Second-Team - Defense

6 Grant Mosley | Wide Receiver | Sophomore | 6-0 / 175

- Was the team's leading receive in loss to Bishop Gorman with five catches for 73 yards (19.0 average)
- Continued to show remarkable talent as he caught a career-high seven passes versus Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village). Scored one touchdown in third-consecutive game
- Collected one reception for 14 yards and a touchdown in win over Highland (Palmdale)
- PrepRedZone.com: Standout class of 2028 performer in Southern California for Weeks 0 and 1
- With brother Trent watching from the sidelines with an injury, caught a perfect rainbow throw from Trace Johnson for his first high school touchdown -- 39 yards
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com No. 3 Sophomore Receiver to Watch in Southern California
- Cal-Hi Sports: California Freshman Football Players to Watch – 2024 Season -- Older brother Emmett V had a tremendous season as a freshman at Stanford coming off a knee injury and older brother Trent is one of the state's top Class of 2026 prospects as a versatile receiver here at SMCHS
- Became the third Mosley brother to play for the Eagles program. Captured his first varsity reception -- 32 yards -- against Mission Viejo

7 Jayden Crowder | Defensive Back | Senior | 5-11 / 170

- In first-ever appearance on offense, took a 15-yard pass and produced a touchdown for a 7-0 lead at Servite
- Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial by PrepRedZone.com
- Ranked No. 45 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 The Sporting News No. 25 Defensive Back in California for 2025
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 6 defensive back in Orange County
- 2025 Third-Team All-Southern California – Defensive Back by si.com / SBLive / scorebooklive
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports Third-Team All-State Junior Team - Defense
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Defense
- 2024 All-Orange County Third-Team - Defense (*Orange County Register*)
- Commitment to California (UC Berkeley). Also had offers from Miami (Florida), Duke, Washington, Colorado, Tennessee, Texas A&M, SMU, North Carolina, Penn State, San Diego State, Michigan State and UCLA
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports to the 2024 All-Orange County Preseason Team: Third-Team - Defense

8 Ivrick Carrigan | Linebacker | Senior | 6-0 / 213

- Contributed an interception in rout of Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village)
- Named by PrepRedzone.com as the No. 6 senior linebacker in Orange County for Class of 2026
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- All-Sunset League First-Team - Defense

9 Luke Gazzaniga | Tight End | Junior | 6-4 / 225

- Connected with quarterback Trace John for two pass receptions -- on a 39 yard touchdown
- Quickly become a favorite target of quarterback Trace Johnson. In the first two games as teammates, the duo has hooked up for 11 receptions covering 150 yards (13.6 average)

- Collected his second pass reception of the season which was also his first-ever touchdown scored at the prep level -- in a rout of Inglewood in the CIF-SS Division 1 First Round game

11 Simote Katoanga | Edge / Defensive End | Senior | 6-5 / 250 – Team Captain

- Collected 1 1/2 sacks as SMCHS stunned Centennial (Corona). Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial by PrepRedZone.com
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-State Team -- First-Team - Defense
- ESPN / SC Next Class of 2026 No. 12 Defensive End Prospect
- Ranked No. 16 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 *The Sporting News* No. 12 Defensive Lineman in California
- 2025 No. 3 Defensive Lineman to Watch by si.com / SBLive / scorebooklive
- 2025 Preseason All-Southland First-Team - Defense by the *Los Angeles Times*
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 5 lineman in Orange County
- Named by *USA Today* High School Sports / usatodayhss.com as the top-rated defensive lineman recruit in California for the Class of 2026
- 2025 *The Sporting News* Preseason Third-Team All-State Team - Defense
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports, for class of 2026, as the No. 17 Hot 100 prospect in California (06/26/25)
- 2024 *Orange County Register* All-County Second-Team - Defense
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports Second-Team All-State Junior Team - Defense
- 2024 First-Team All-Trinity League - Defense
- Committed to play at USC after having received 30 Division 1 offers -- Arizona, Arizona State, California, Clemson, Georgia, Kansas, Miami (Florida), Michigan State, Florida State, Missouri, Nebraska, North Carolina, Notre Dame, Ohio State, Oklahoma State, Oregon, Sacramento State, San Diego State, Tennessee, Texas, Texas A&M, Nevada - Las Vegas, South Florida, Utah, Washington, Washington State, Western Michigan, Wisconsin, Central Michigan and Marshall

13 Jake Martin | Wide Receiver | Sophomore | 5-11 / 180

- Collected a career-high six pass receptions in win over Servite
- PrepRedZone.com: Standout class of 2028 performer in Southern California for Weeks 0 and 1

14 Joshua “Siua” Holani | Defensive Back | Senior | 5-10 / 175

- Collected one interception in historic comeback victory versus Mater Dei on October 10
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- 2024 All-Trinity League Second-Team - Defense

15 Vai Manutai | Linebacker | Senior | 6-1 / 210

- Collected one sack in historic comeback victory versus Mater Dei on October 10
- Has logged two sacks in 2025 – one versus Mission Viejo and one against Servite

16 Ryan Clark | Wide Receiver | Sophomore | 5-9 / 150

- Contributed two receptions for 28 yards in win at Highland (Palmdale) and followed up that effort with four receptions and a touchdown in win at Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village)
- PrepRedZone.com: Standout class of 2028 performer in Southern California for Weeks 0 and 1 and “Big games, big numbers” player by Tarek Fattal of si.com
- Enjoyed a breakout game versus Centennial (Corona) with seven pass receptions for 78 yards (11.1 average) and his first career touchdown. SMCHS upset the Huskies for the second season in succession. Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial by PrepRedZone.com

17 Jagger Apt | Wide Receiver | Sophomore | 5-9 / 170

- Collected three pass receptions in overtime upset win versus Centennial (Corona) -- the first of his young career

21 Ca’ron “Prime” Williams | Defensive Back | Sophomore | 5-11 / 155

- Notched two interceptions in the span of the last four minutes of the first half against Centennial (Corona), an upset win for the Eagles. He sprinted 62 yards on the first of the two for his first high school touchdown.
  - -- Named the Orange County Male Athlete of the Week by the *Orange County Register* for his impressive defensive performance
  - -- PrepRedZone.com: Standout class of 2028 performer in Southern California for Weeks 0 and 1

-- Lauded by Eric Sondheimer of the *Los Angeles Times*
-- Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic by PrepRedZone.com
-- Named a Dominant Defender for Santa Margarita Catholic by PrepRedZone.com

- 2025 MaxPreps.com Preseason All-America Sophomore selection: Second-Team - Defense (Defensive Back)
- Ranked No. 80 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 10 defensive back in Orange County
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- 2024 MaxPreps.com Freshman All-America Team: Second-Team - Defense
- Has received Division 1 offers from Arizona State, Texas A&M, Coastal Carolina, Southern Methodist (SMU), Toledo, Missouri, USC, Washington, San Diego State, North Carolina, Vanderbilt, Idaho and California

26 Adrian Petero | Running Back | Freshman | 5-4 / 165

- Executed one of the most pivotal plays when he caught a pass from Trace Johnson and romped 59-yards versus the Mater Dei defense in historic comeback victory versus Mater Dei on October 10 on late scoring-drive
- Combined with teammate Jaion Smith to gain 156 yards on the ground versus Centennial (Corona). Petero grinded and drove to gain the final two yards of real estate and score the winning touchdown in overtime as well. It was the first score in his young career. Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial by PrepRedZone.com

34 Ty Swanson | Tight End / Long Snapper | Senior | 6-4 / 200

- Has accepted an opportunity as a preferred walk-on at USC

40 Jason Perez | Defensive Lineman | Senior | 6-1 / 230

- 2023 All-Trinity Honorable Mention - Defense

44 Aleki “Leki” Holani | Linebacker | Senior | 6-0 / 223

- Contributed 15 total tackles in historic comeback victory versus Mater Dei on October 10 -- Awarded “State Stat Start of the Week” by Cali-Hi Sports
- Contributed a solid performance in upset victory over Centennial (Corona) with 10 total tackles and one-half sack. On a big fourth-down play early in the game, was able to bat down the quarterback’s pass and thwart the Huskies from the end zone. Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial by PrepRedZone.com
- ESPN / SC Next Class of 2026 No. 61 Inside Linebacker Prospect
- 2025 *The Sporting News* No. 9 Linebacker in California
- Ranked No. 47 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 6 linebacker in Orange County
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports Third-Team All-State Junior Team - Defense
- 2024 All-CIF-Southern Section Team
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee - Defense
- 2024 All-Trinity League First-Team - Defense

47 Ryan Carpenter | Athlete | Sophomore | 6-2 / 200

- Enjoyed first career touchdown score on a 2-yard pass reception in victory at Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village)

50 Adam Iloilo, Jr. | Offensive Lineman | Freshman | 6-4

- Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial by PrepRedZone.com

53 Isaia Vandermade | Offensive / Defensive Lineman | Junior | 6-4 / 280

- Ranked No. 83 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 *The Sporting News* Honorable Mention - Defensive Lineman in California
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com Top Offensive Linemen to Watch in Southern California
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports First-Team All-State Sophomore Team - Offense
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports All-State Nominee
- 2024 All-*Bay Area News Group* - Honorable Mention - Defensive Line
- 2024 *San Francisco Chronicle* All-Metro Team - Honorable Mention
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Central Coast Section Team - Second-Team

- 2024 West Catholic Athletic League - Sophomore Player of the Year
- 2024 All-West Catholic Athletic League - First-Team
- 2024 Preseason All-Bay Area News Group - Defensive Line

56 Aaron Klatt | Center | Junior | 6-1 / 280

- Named a Top Performer for Santa Margarita Catholic versus Centennial by PrepRedZone.com

58 Tonga Uhila | Defensive Tackle | Junior | 5-10 / 160

- Blocked at PAT attempt versus St. John Bosco
- Finished with the best game of his young career with one interception and one sack versus Liberty (Bakersfield) in 2024

77 Niniva Nicholson | Offensive Lineman | Senior | 6-4 / 275 – Team Captain

- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-State Team -- Second-Team - Offense
- 2025 *The Sporting News* No. 4 Offensive Lineman in California
- ESPN / SC Next Class of 2026 No. 79 Offensive Guard Prospect
- Ranked No. 17 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 6 lineman in Orange County
- 2025 *The Sporting News* Preseason First-Team All-State Team - Offense
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- 2025 PrepRedzone.com Top Offensive Linemen to Watch in Southern California
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports, for class of 2026, as the No. 74 Hot 100 prospect in California (06/26/25)
- 2024 First-Team All-Trinity League - Offense
- 2024 *Orange County Register* All-County Second-Team - Offense
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports First-Team All-State Junior Team - Offense
- 2023 First-Team All-Trinity League - Offense

78 Manoah Faupusa | Offensive / Defensive Lineman | Senior | 6-4 / 360

- Registered two sacks in loss to Bishop Gorman (Las Vegas) and then followed with another versus Servite a week later and one in loss to St. John Bosco
- Ranked No. 17 by *Orange County Register* of Hot 150 Top Impact Players for Fall 2025
- 2025 *Orange County Register* No. 7 lineman in Orange County
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Team
- 2025 *The Sporting News* Honorable Mention - Defensive Lineman in California
- Selected by Cal-Hi Sports, for class of 2026, as the No. 50 Hot 100 prospect in California (06/26/25)
- 2025 Cal-Hi Sports Preseason All-Orange County Second-Team - Defense
- 2024 *San Francisco Chronicle* Second-Team All-Metro Team
- 2024 West Catholic Athletic League (WCAL) Defensive Lineman of the Year
- 2024 First-Team All-WCAL -- Notched 20 total tackles, 5 tackles for loss, 1 sack and 5 hurries
- 2024 Cal-Hi Sports Third-Team All-State Junior Team - Defense
- Has committed to play at Arizona after also receiving Division 1 offers from North Carolina, Oklahoma State, California, Colorado, Miami (Florida), Sacramento State, San Jose State, Texas, UCLA, Nevada - Las Vegas, USC and Washington

86 Tyler Wiegand | Kicker | Senior | 6-0 / 135

- Successfully connected on crucial PAT conversion kick after low snap in historic comeback victory versus Mater Dei on October 10 -- game-winner
- Is currently 18-for-18 in PAT attempts for the season
- Was a perfect 6-for-6 in PAT attempts in rout of Oaks Christian School (Westlake Village)
- Kicked two successful field goals in win at Highland (Palmdale) -- 34 and 35 yards in length

THIS WEEK'S OPPONENT: ORANGE LUTHERAN

SMCHS Season Game No. 9 / Trinity League Game No. 4
Game Day / Date / Time: Friday, October 24, 2025 / 7:00 p.m.
Game Location: Trabuco Hills High School (Mission Viejo)
Nickname: Lancers
Head Coach: Rod Sherman
2025 Season: 4-4
Last Week: vs. JSerra Catholic, won 63-23
2024 Season: Overall: 8-4 / Trinity League: 3-2 / CIF-Southern Section - Division 1 Playoffs: 1-1
All-Time Series: Orange Lutheran leads 12-8
Last Game: October 18, 2024 -- OLu won 13-10 @ Orange Coast College
Last SMCHS Win: October 19, 2021 -- Eagles won 35-28 @ Saddleback College
Key Players to Watch:

- Reagan Toki | Quarterback | Junior
- Jae Nembhard | Running Back | Junior
- Chris Flores, Jr. | Wide Receiver | Junior
- Nico Bland | Wide Receiver | Junior
- Christian Panapa | Linebacker | Senior
- Marcus Fakatou | Defensive End | Sophomore
- Auma Jennings | Nose Guard | Senior
- Aiden Migirdichian | Kicker | Senior

NEXT WEEK'S OPPONENT: @ JSERRA CATHOLIC

SMCHS Season Game No. 10 / Trinity League Game No. 5
Game Day / Date / Time: Friday, October 31, 2025 / 7:00 p.m.
Game Location: JSerra Catholic (San Juan Capistrano – Campus)
Nickname: Lions
Head Coach: Victor Santa Cruz -- (3rd Season) -- 14-16-0 Overall
2025 Season: 3-5
Last Week: @ Orange Lutheran, Lost 63-23
2024 Season: Overall: 6-5 / Trinity League: 1-4 / CIF-Southern Section - Division 1 Playoffs: 0-1
All-Time Series: SMCHS leads 12-8
Last Game / SMCHS Win: October 24, 2024 -- Eagles won 35-33
Key Players to Watch:

- Gino Wang | Quarterback | Sophomore
- Williams Fredericksen | Running Back | Junior
- Clark Cokley | Wide Receiver | Junior
- Jarod Sersansie | Wide Receiver | Senior
- Rocco Tompkins | Linebacker | Senior
- Dylan Fenn | Linebacker | Junior
- Noah Thayer | Punter / Kicker | Senior

ORANGE LUTHERAN LANCERS
2025 Varsity Football Roster

No.	Player Name	Pos.	Class
0	Markus Kier	WR	Senior
1	Anhor Johnson	CB	Sophomore
2	Reagan Toki	QB	Junior
3	Sean Morris, Jr.	RB	Senior
4	Christian Panapa	LB	Senior
5	King Johnson	CB	Sophomore
6	Chris Flores, Jr.	WR	Junior
7	Mason Reyes	SS/LB	Senior
8	Nico Bland	WR	Junior
9	Ezrah Brown	QB	Freshman
10	Jackson Perez	S	Junior
11	Hunter Schnakenberg	LB/SS	Senior
12	Tred Dible	LB/QB	Junior
13	O'Ryan Wallace	CB/WR	Senior
16	Jared Juliano	QB	Senior
17	Landon Ressler	WR	Sophomore
18	Anthony McClure	WR/LB	Junior
19	Brandon Balice	WR	Sophomore
21	Jae Nembhard	RB	Junior
22	Josh Paquette	LB/RB	Senior
23	C.J. Washington	S / WR	Sophomore
24	Raiden Velasquez	WR	Freshman
25	Kiingbaraka Kizzee	CB	Freshman
26	James Tuia	WR/CB	Freshman
27	Matthew Zapien	CB/WR	Junior
28	Samuel Tejan	CB	Sophomore
29	Kayden Hardnett	RB/C	Freshman
30	Ryan Christianson	RB/LB	Freshman
35	Deac Sherman	S	Sophomore
37	Toby Wickman	K/P	Junior
39	Brock Bolden	LB	Junior
41	Aiden Migirdichian	K	Senior
42	Luke Saddik	DE	Sophomore
43	Bray Langi	DE	Junior
44	Jeremiah Laban	LB	Junior

No.	Player Name	Pos.	Class
45	Brayden Nichols	LB	Senior
47	Court Mercure	K	Junior
48	Kaden Hawkins	P	Senior
49	Konner Hawkins	LS	Senior
50	Kayden Sam Utu	OL	Senior
52	Jonah Tabrizi	OL	Sophomore
55	Sonatane Vunileva	O/DL	Sophomore
56	Fa'Oliu Langi	O/DL	Senior
57	Brandon Garcia	OL	Senior
60	Quinn Huddleston	LS	Sophomore
61	Mason Johnson	OL	Sophomore
63	Mario Luna	OL	Freshman
65	Sam Carrillo	OL	Sophomore
67	Kye Robles	DT	Senior
70	Ozzie Preciado	OL	Sophomore
72	Elijah Garcia	DL	Junior
73	Troy Oliva	OL	Junior
74	Ricky Kagasoff	DT	Junior
75	Lucas Rhoa	OL	Junior
78	Jackson Venator	OL	Senior
79	Michael Gilbert	OL	Junior
80	Jaxon Rodriguez	TE/LB	Sophomore
81	Johnnie Cortez	WR	Senior
84	Griffin Overton	DB/WR	Sophomore
86	Jayden Trujillo	WR	Sophomore
87	Jia Zonghan	DT	Senior
90	Judah Silva	DL	Sophomore
91	Auma Jennings	DL	Senior
93	Antonio Taylor, Jr.	DL	Sophomore
94	Cai Coles	DL	Sophomore
96	Ariez Leomiti	DL	Sophomore
97	Shawn Barnes	DL	Senior
98	Cory Panapa	DL	Junior
99	Marcus Fakatou	DE/TE	Sophomore