

NYS NEVADA TACKLE FOOTBALL

FALL 2019 November 9th PREVIEWES – SEMIFINALS & CHAMPIONSHIPS

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#4 Seed Henderson Cowboys (7-2) VS #2 Seed TMT Football (8-1) – 7U Weighted Division Nevada State Championship Game

Where: Desert Oasis High School

When: 8:30 AM

Our 2nd Nevada State Championship Game should certainly be a thriller this weekend as the Henderson Cowboys face off with TMT for what should be an excellent matchup this weekend at Desert Oasis High School. These two teams come in quite obviously playing good football, earning their spots in this bag game with the Nevada State title on the line. These two teams faced off in a regular season finale that saw TMT earn impressive but very close 12-9 victory. These two looks to go right back at it here with even more on the line. The 4th Seeded Henderson Cowboys bounced back from that loss very well in the playoffs as they took down the Las Vegas Ducks in the first round of the playoffs and followed that up with an even more impressive victory over the top seeded Liberty Patriots in the Semifinals. As a team, the Cowboys offense has averaged over 24 points a contest to this point while their defense has given up just fewer than 6 points a game. That's obviously the type of resume that earns your team a title shot. Led by the red-hot Ralph Ortiz, Brennen Krantz, Jack Griffin, and Dylan Fredrickson, this Cowboys team will have a posse of athletes ready to take the field for this contest. TMT meanwhile has certainly been money here last in the season. Not only did the finish the regular season with 4 straight victories, but they managed to follow that up with a pair of impressive post season victories. TMT looked dominant in their wins over the Bullhead City Firebirds and Desert Oasis Jr. Diamondbacks here in back to back weekends thanks to a balanced offensive attack. Led by MVP Finalist Wesley Tyler, Aiden Smith, Alexander Mathis, and Kylo Howard, TMT is loaded at seemingly every position on the field. To this point TMT has averaged over 20 points per game on offense while they have given up just over 6 points a game to their opponents. If you look at the numbers and video from both teams, we would expect a close, low scoring matchup this weekend with the winner coming out with the fewest turnovers. This should be a stellar matchup so make sure to wake up early and head out to Desert Oasis High School to take in this matchup between the top 2 teams in the Nevada at the 7U level.

#4 Seed TMT Football (7-2) VS #2 Seed Las Vegas Union (7-1) – 8U Division Nevada State Championship Game

Where: Desert Oasis High School

When: 10:30 AM

As we move up to the 8U Division, we get yet another stellar matchup as TMT takes on the Las Vegas Union in what looks like another tremendously even matchup for the Nevada State Championship. This matchup looks like a classic low scoring battle as the divisions top 2 defenses face off at Desert Oasis High School for what should be a stellar matchup. When these two teams played way back on the 2nd Saturday of the regular season, the Union managed to squeak by with a 6-0 victory, showing just how strong these two teams are on the defensive side of the ball. To further prove that point, all you must do is look at the stats. On average, the Union have given up fewer than 3 points a game to opponents while TMT concedes fewer than 4 points a contest to their opponents. While each of these team feature topflight offenses, it's the defenses that really shine. TMT comes in as the underdog in this matchup, but one that is red hot, having one 7 straight contests. The biggest of those victories came last weekend in the semifinals as they took down the top seeded Henderson Cowboys in impressive fashion. Led by Sherrod Leslie, Legend Mitchell, Tony Young, and Kaleb Love, this team is brimming with confidence. The only team they don't hold a win over this season will be their opponents however as the Las Vegas Union will defend the home sideline as the 2nd seed this weekend. The Union earned themselves a first-round bye and the rest certainly played to their advantage in the semifinals as they managed to brush their way past the Desert Oasis Jr. Diamondbacks. The Union have as balanced an offense as you will ever see out of an 8U team with stars like Terrell Collins, Aisek Brown, Frank Starks, Kareem Knox, and Amir Tureud all having their time to shine. In the end, this should be a very close matchup with points coming at a premium. We are going to call it now that the team that converts any extra point attempts might just have the major advantage when everything is all said and done.

#2 Seed Las Vegas Union (8-1) VS #1 Seed Las Vegas 49ers (9-0) – 10U Division Nevada State Championship Game

Where: Desert Oasis High School

When: 12:30 PM

The 10U Division brings a matchup of the top 2 rated teams in the State of Nevada to Desert Oasis High School for what appears to be a legendary matchup of stars and studs. These two teams have been dominant all season long and both teams have been salivating for a rematch with the Nevada State Championship on the line. The Union enter this contest with revenge on their mind. They lost just one game this season and that came at the hands of these 49ers, who rolled into Bonanza High School back on September 21st and came out with a 19-6 victory. The Union have been rock steady since that point, earning big wins to finish out the regular season, but even bigger ones here in the playoffs. The most exciting of those wins came in the semifinals as they just edged out the Desert Oasis Jr. Diamondbacks by a score of 19-18. Led by MVP Finalist Eric McFarland, Isaiah Romero, Darion Merriweather, and Cameron Turner, the Union should look like a very hungry team this weekends contest. The top seeded Las Vegas 49ers meanwhile have looked like a team with one mission from start to finish. They have rallied off an impressive 9 straight victories here in NYS. The biggest of those victories to date came in the semifinals as they shut down TMT and earned this spot in the Nevada State Championship Game. Led by MVP Finalist Myles Baker, Donte Jasames, Kayden Philogene, Justin McCullugh, and Clifton Young, this 49ers team plays like just that, a team. They will need to do that just one more time here if they want to earn that Nevada State Championship. This should be a stellar matchup. Each of these teams have put up exactly 216 points thus far this season. Whoever gets that 1 or more extra this week, will walk out with the biggest bragging rights in Vegas!

#2 Seed Las Vegas Elite (9-0) VS #1 Seed Las Vegas Union (9-0) – 12U Division Nevada State Championship Game

Where: Desert Oasis High School
When: 2:30 PM

This Nevada State Championship Game is a sports fans dream. These two teams enter with identical perfect records and will be hungry to push their way past the other to claim the crown. The Las Vegas Elite enter this game as the #2 seed playing stellar football. This powerhouse squad showed just how talented they are in the playoffs by earning big wins over the Sun Devils in the quarterfinals which they followed up on by taking down a stellar 49ers team in the semifinals. The Las Vegas Elite have certainly played like an ELITE team all season long. Led by MVP Finalist Vicentico Pringle, Gavin Day, Massiah Mingo, and Giovanni Criss, this team can put up points in many ways. To that end, the Elite averaged, over 35 points a contest while they gave up fewer than 4 points a game to their opponents. Just like their matchup with the 49ers, the top seeded Las Vegas Union present the Elite with yet another stellar matchup. The Union are an equally talented squad that has also proven they can score seemingly at will. As a team the Union average nearly 34 points a contest. While the Union offense has been impressive, it's their defense that has been even better. The Union defense gave up just 1 touchdown ALL SEASON LONG. That's impressive at any level, but especially in a division with this much talent. The Union offense is led by MVP Finalist Trey'Shaun Jackson, X-Zavier Christopher, Amere Swan, Isaiah Teo, or Austin Morville. The Union too are an impressive team on the ground but also through the air, so expect a high-flying dual here this weekend in this stellar matchup in the 12U Division Nevada State Championship Game with the winner being able to claim the title of best team in Nevada.

#2 Liberty Patriots (8-0) VS #1 Seed North Las Vegas Mustangs Blue (8-0) – 13U Weighted Division Nevada State Championship Game

Where: Desert Oasis High School
When: 4:30 PM

We have yet another battle of the unbeaten teams with the Nevada State Championship on the line in the 13U Weighted Division as the North Las Vegas Mustangs Blue take on the Liberty Patriots in what should be an epic battle. These two teams have been on a collision course ever since the start of the season. The Liberty Patriots enter this game as the 2nd seed are obviously a red-hot team having just completed a perfect regular season. They stayed on the march in a big way in their semifinals victory over the Diamondbacks where a finally fully healthy squad showed just how special this team really is. Led by La'Anui Mulivai, Christopher Dalina, Gavin Wallace, & Tyten Ah Mow, this team is as talented as they come. The Patriots offense has averaged an impressive 32 points a contest to this point and hope that they can attack the Mustangs Blue defense through the air and on the ground in this matchup. The North Las Vegas Mustangs Blue squad meanwhile has galloped their way through quite the impressive season. Not only are the undefeated, but they have done so thanks to divisions top offensive and defensive unit. Sure, the offense has averaged an impressive 34 points a game to this point, but it's the defensive stats that really stand out. The Mustangs Blue have yet to allow a single point to their opponents. That's crazy impressive. Led by Coen Coloma, James Hadley, Jayden Williams, Stanton Cox, and Jeremiah Campbell, this team can attack their opponent in an infinite number of ways. So, what do you get when you put the Nevada State Championship on the line between two stellar teams with elite players on both sides of the football? We think you get

an epic Nevada State Championship Game this Saturday evening, so make sure to head out for what should be an edge of your seat thriller.

**Bullhead City Firebirds (8-1) VS #1 Seed Las Vegas Elite (9-0) – 14U Division
Nevada State Championship Game**

Where: Desert Oasis High School

When: 6:30 PM

The Las Vegas Elite and Bullhead City Firebirds matchup in our final Nevada State Championship Game of the fall season and it certainly looks to be worth the wait. These two teams come into this contest on fire having looked dominant in the regular season and in the playoffs. These two teams did see each other in the regular season in a matchup that saw the Elite travel out to Bullhead City and earn a narrow 18-12 victory back on September 21st. That game was quite some time ago however and this game this weekend presents a whole different atmosphere with the entire state watching to see who will come out with the victory. The Firebirds have certainly been a team on fire here of late in the playoffs. Their shutout victory over the Las Vegas Union sent shockwaves across the country as this small-town team can play with anyone. Led by MVP Finalist Jonathon Williams, Izaac Robles, Isac Urias, and Brody Trujillo, this squad is loaded with talent on both sides of the football. To this point, the Firebirds have averaged over 30 points a game on offense, but their defense is really where they have shined. In fact, the only team to score on the Firebirds all season long is this Las Vegas Elite squad. They will try and flip the script in this game and claim the crown of Nevada State Champions. The Las Vegas Elite meanwhile enter this game as the top seed have completed a perfect regular season which they followed up with impressive victories over the Green Valley Knights and Desert Oasis Jr. Diamondbacks here in the playoffs. The Las Vegas Elite have a very talented ball club that has seemed near unstoppable. The Elite offense has really been their calling card as they have averaged a divisional best 33 points a game. Led by Tyrese Smith, Razzaq Thomas-McDade, Derek Meadows, and Keimarion Taylor, this team can score at will on any opponent. Will they have enough gas left in the tank to cool off the Firebirds or will the Firebirds light up the night and earn their first Nevada State Championship? Don't miss any of our MUST SEE matchups this Saturday at Desert Oasis High School.