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#1 Seed Henderson Cowboys (7-0) VS #8 Seed 702 49ers Red (3-4) – 7U Weighted Division

Where: Liberty High School
When: 8:15 AM

The Henderson Cowboys will be taking on the 702 49ers Red team this weekend to kick off the first round of the playoffs at Liberty High School. The Henderson Cowboys enter this matchup as the top seed and will look to start a massive playoff run. In a matchup between these two teams back on September 23rd, the Henderson Cowboys earned a huge 35-0 victory. Things ramp up here in the playoffs, the first ever here in Nevada for this 7U Weighted Division. The top seeded and undefeated Henderson Cowboys come into this matchup having had an incredible season. The Cowboys featured the division's top offense and top defense, averaging 33 points a game on offense while giving up one touchdown all season long. That's quite the season! Led by Judson Warner and Caleb Ramalia, they should be to rope and ride in this weekend's matchup. The 702 49ers Red team meanwhile earned a playoff spot by the skin of their teeth, but are in the playoffs none the less. In the end, all a team needs is a chance, at that is exactly what the 49ers earned. Led by stars like Jemari Arnold and Noah Cole, this team should be ready to steal the Cowboys Gold this weekend at Liberty High School. The 49ers Red team averaged just over 13 points a contest, and will look to improve on that here in the first round of the playoffs.

#2 Seed Bishop Gorman Gators (7-0) VS #7 Seed Arbor View Jr. Aggies (4-3) – 7U Weighted Division

Where: Del Sol High School
When: 10:00 AM

It's quarterfinal time and Del Sol High School will feature an exciting quarterfinal matchup between the 2nd seeded and undefeated Bishop Gorman Gators and the 7th seeded Arbor View Jr. Aggies. These two teams didn't see each other in the regular season, but these teams will surely be gearing up for what should be an exciting contest. The Gators finished the regular season a perfect 7-0, capped off by their final regular season double overtime win over the previously unbeaten Las Vegas Sun Devils. The Gators have certainly been chomping their way through opponents all season long. In doing so, they have averaged over 27 points a game on offense while giving up just under 3 points a game. That average leads to a lot of victories, but regular season averages can fade away here in the playoffs. The Gators will turn to Gourney Childs and Ujani Ross to help them swim their way to a playoff run. The Arbor View Jr. Aggies meanwhile had a very nice season of their own, finishing with a record above .500 thanks to a victory over the Las Vegas Wolverines in a

make it or break it matchup. The Aggies have relied on strong players like Christian Kirkpatrick and Drew Gatewood to lead the charge. The Aggies averaged 14 points a contest during the regular season, but will certainly need to be on their game if they hope to advance into the semifinals.

#3 Seed Las Vegas Sun Devils (6-1) VS #6 Seed Sin City Spartans (4-3) – 7U

Weighted Division

Where: Mojave High School

When: 10:00 AM

The Las Vegas Sun Devils will look to heat things up on the Sin City Spartans this weekend in a first round playoff that should be quite the thriller. This is another first-time matchup as these two teams didn't face off in the regular season. That should make this matchup even more intriguing as these two teams have quite a few stars each that can take over the game at any time. The Sun Devils had a tremendous season, falling just one time in overtime. Thanks to a powerful offense that averaged almost 25 points a game and a defense that gave up just over 4 points a contest, this Sun Devils squad knows how to utilize their pitchforks and skewer their opponents. To do so this weekend, they Sun Devils will turn to Keenan Thomas and Myles Hooks to lead the charge. The Sin City Spartans also had a tremendous season, highlighted by a victory over the 702 49ers Red team in their regular season finale to secure their spot here in the playoffs. The Spartans also featured a prolific offense, one that averaged almost 24 points a game during the season. That offense led by Shamarion Scott and Keith Simmons will look to turn this game with the Sun Devils into an offense shootout in what should be a very exciting quarterfinal matchup!

#4 Seed Western Ducks (5-2) VS #5 Seed Las Vegas Elite Wildcats (4-3) – 7U

Weighted Division

Where: Western High School

When: 10:00 AM

In the always exciting 4 vs. 5 playoff matchups, the Western Ducks and Las Vegas Elite Wildcats get set to duke it out for a spot in the semifinals. These two teams dodged each other during the regular season, so it will be mighty interesting to see who comes out ready to play early in this matchup. The Ducks flapped their way to the #4 seed thanks to a tremendous season by being strong on both sides of the football. The Ducks offense averaged over 16 points a game while they gave up just 12 points a contest. Scoring more than your opponent, but whatever difference, is the only way to survive and advance. The Ducks will be looking to do just that behind the play of Braylon Burnett and Emari Richard. The Las Vegas Elite Wildcats meanwhile despite losing their last game in the regular season, should be well rested and prepared for this matchup. The Wildcats landed on their feet quite often this season thanks to a solid offense that averaged over 15 points a game. The Wildcats really relied on their defense, as they only gave up fewer than 10 points a contest. If Wildcats want to come out with the win, they will need Troy McKnight and King David to be at the top of their game. Expect a close low scoring matchup in this one, as every possession will surely be important at Western High School.

#1 Seed Las Vegas Thunderbirds (8-0) VS #5 Seed Henderson Cowboys (5-3) – 8U Division

Where: Western High School

When: 3:15 PM

The Las Vegas Thunderbirds and Henderson Cowboys face off in a semifinal matchup that should be a thriller for the ages here in the 8U Division. The Thunderbirds and Henderson

Cowboys hooked up earlier in the season on October 7th in a matchup that the Thunderbirds dominated and won by a score of 35-0, but both teams have grown and progressed as a team here heading into this game. The Thunderbirds however have been on quite the dominant run this season. Not only are they a perfect 8-0 this season including a first round playoff victory over the Las Vegas Wildcats, but they also have yet to give up a single point to their opponents. That's beyond impressive at any level! Will they be able to keep that streak alive this weekend? Well, they will need to score points too, and this team certainly managed to do that at an equally impressive clip, averaging almost 34 points a contest. In this matchup, the Thunderbirds will be turning to Eric McFarland and Jerome Sequeira to keep those impressive stats coming. The Henderson Cowboys meanwhile will be looking to rope and ride their way to a playoff upset victory. This young Cowboys team has certainly fought hard to get here, especially in their quarterfinal victory over the Spring Valley Jr. Grizzlies by a score of 13-0. The defense was stellar in that matchup for the Cowboys, and they will hope to keep that unit on point. The Cowboys defense gave up just over 10 points a game this season to their opponents, for look for them to try and lasso the Thunderbirds ball carriers in this one. They will look to Alexander Oliva and Jacob Fotu to be their leaders in this Saturday afternoon showdown at Western High School.

#2 Seed Las Vegas Sun Devils (7-1) VS #3 Seed 702 49ers (6-2) – 8U Division

Where: Ed Fountain Park #8

When: 7:15 PM on Monday, November 6th

In what should be an exciting Monday night matchup, two stellar teams look to earn a spot in the championship game with a victory at Ed Fountain Park. These two teams faced off earlier in the season at Ed Fountain Park as well in a matchup the Sun Devils won by a score of 30-6. The Sun Devils have been stellar all season long, losing just one time this season. The Sun Devils offense has been especially solid, averaging over 25 points a contest this season. They will turn to touchdown machine Antonio Spann and Aaron Hickman to help power this team into the championship game. The 702 49ers meanwhile also had a stellar season, including a 1st round playoff shutout over the Las Vegas Badgers. The 49ers were led by Christopher Leuma and Mathyas Olive all season long and will look to that duo to find gold here in this Monday night showdown. The 49ers will be trying to pep up their offense, as they averaged just over 15 points a game this season, as it may take more than that to cool down the Las Vegas Sun Devils in this exciting semifinal matchup.

#1 Seed Desert Oasis Jr. Diamondbacks (6-0) VS #5 Seed Southern Highlands Jr. Rebels (2-6) – 9U Weighted Division

Where: Desert Oasis High School

When: 8:15 AM

The Desert Oasis Jr. Diamondbacks play host to the Southern Highlands Jr. Rebels in what should be an entertaining semifinal playoff matchup. These two teams played twice already this season, and in both matchups the Diamondbacks dominated the matchups winning by a combined score of 69-0. This Diamondbacks team is ready to strike however as they should be well rested coming off a first round playoff bye. The top seeded Diamondbacks were stellar on both sides of the football all season long, especially on offense where they averaged over 33 points a contest. They were also incredibly dominant on defense, giving up just one score to their opponents all season long. All that being said, they have to show up this weekend, and will look to Evan McMihlk and Treven Eddington to show up in a big way here in the semifinals. The Rebels meanwhile earned their way into the semifinals thanks to a huge first round playoff victory over the Las Vegas Aces. The Rebels won that game by a score of 18-0 and looked playoff ready in that matchup. If they hope to pull off

an even bigger upset, they will need Jordan Villegas and Elyjah Cobwell to step up and have the game of their lives if they hope to make it to the Nevada State Championship Game.

#2 Seed Las Vegas Badgers (6-1) VS #3 Seed Pahrump Trojans (5-3) – 9U Weighted Division

Where: Rancho High School

When: 11:45 AM

The Las Vegas Badgers and Pahrump Trojans face off for the 3rd time of the season, but this time with a spot in the Nevada State Championship Game going to the winner. The Badgers won their first matchup by a score of 20-12 and the second by a score of 21-7. Both matchups were certainly close, so all we can do is expect yet another close game in this weekend's showdown at Rancho High School. The Badgers enter this game as the 2nd seed, and earned that spot thanks to an offense that averaged over 26 points a contest this season. The Badgers will look to claw out yet another victory behind the stellar play of Jai'shon Bradford and Kenneth Hill. The Trojans meanwhile earned an exciting first round playoff victory over the Henderson Raiders as they outlasted the Raiders by a score of 18-6. They will need to play even better this weekend, and will certainly be turning to Kayne Horibe and Ashton McClard to lead them to the promised land. The Trojans offense was certainly strong this season, averaging an impressive 18 points a contest. Will they have enough however to slow down Bradford and the Badgers? Head out to Rancho High School this weekend to find out!

#2 Seed 702 49ers (6-1) VS #3 Seed Las Vegas Gladiators (5-3) – 10U D1 Division

Where: Liberty High School

When: 1:30 PM

The 702 49ers and Las Vegas Gladiators square off in a semifinal showdown at Liberty High School with a spot in the championship game going to the victor. The 49ers and Gladiators faced off back on October 9th in a matchup that the 49ers won by a score of 12-7. That game was a defensive thriller, so one would expect a similar type game this weekend. The 49ers were a tremendous defensive team all season long, giving up just 7 points a game to their opponents and a week's rest thanks to a first round bye I am sure will only help this team more. Led by Treyton Savea and Giovanni Criss this team has certainly been finding gold at an impressive clip. The Las Vegas Gladiators meanwhile earned an exciting first round victory over the Bishop Gorman Gators last weekend and hope they can keep momentum on their side. Led by Myles Baker and Derrick Page, this team will look to spar their way into the Nevada State Championship Game. The Gladiators have a prolific offense, as they average over 18 points a game. Will they be able to put up enough points on a stingy 49ers defense? Make sure to check this game out to see who comes out ahead and earns a championship birth.

#1 Seed Western Ducks (6-1) VS #4 Seed Henderson Cowboys (4-4) – 10U D1 Division

Where: Western High School

When: 1:30 PM

The Western Ducks and Henderson Cowboys face off in the other semifinal showdown, this one at Western High School. The Ducks flapped their wings to the top seed in the division and earned a first round bye, giving this team plenty of time to prepare for this game. These two teams played quite a way back in the season as they squared off in the 2nd week of the season in a matchup that the Ducks won by a score of 20-0. The Ducks will look to continue their hot streak behind the strong play of X-Zavier Christopher and Trey'Shaun

Jackson who have led the way for this dynamic offense. Averaging over 25 points a contest, this team certainly knows how to put pressure on their opponents, and they will certainly attempt to do so this weekend when they face the Cowboys. The Cowboys meanwhile rode their way to an impressive first round playoff victory over the Las Vegas Pirates in a 12-6 thriller. The Cowboys utilized their strong defense to lasso the competition all season long, giving up just 8.5 points per game to their opponents. They will look to lean on their strong defense and the offensive firepower provided by big sheriffs like D'Angelo Hagans and Cole Nielson to lead them this weekend as they aim for a birth in the Nevada State Championship Game.

#1 Seed Las Vegas Ravens (7-0) VS #8 Seed Arbor View Jr. Aggies (2-5) – 10U D2 Division

Where: Western High School

When: 8:15 AM

The Las Vegas Ravens and Arbor View Jr. Aggies face off in a first round playoff matchup at Western High School as each looks to start a playoff run. The Ravens have soared through the regular season with impressive win after impressive win. Thanks to a perfect regular season record, this team has really looked impressive this season. This team was especially impressive on offense, averaging over 27 points a contest. The Ravens have been led by Donovan Smith and Isaiah Thomas this season, and hope that they can kick off a playoff run as they try and earn their first championship. The Arbor View Aggies meanwhile snuck into the playoffs, but hope that getting into the playoffs can start them on a great tournament run. The Aggies will turn Gregory Chadwick and Noah McPhee to help them earn a huge upset win this weekend at Western High School

#2 Seed Las Vegas Sun Devils (7-0) VS #7 Mojave Green Machine (4-3) – 10U D2 Division

Where: Mojave High School

When: 11:45 AM

The Las Vegas Sun Devils and Mojave Green Machine face off at Mojave High School in a first round playoff matchup between a pair of North Las Vegas rivals. The Sun Devils had a tremendous season in earning the #2 seed here in the playoffs. They hope that they can kick off a huge playoff run here as they try and heat things up on the Green Machine this weekend. They will turn to touchdown leader Tysean McCraney and Vashon Thomas to help them get to the semifinals. The Green Machine meanwhile will need to be fully fueled up if they hope to take down the Sun Devils in this showdown. The Green Machine will be turning to Destiny Felton and Jaydan Garcia to power them to victory this weekend.

#3 Seed Desert Oasis Jr. Diamondbacks (5-2) VS #6 Seed Las Vegas Elite Wildcats (4-3) – 10U D2 Division

Where: Desert Oasis High School

When: 3:15 PM

The Desert Oasis Jr. Diamondbacks and Las Vegas Elite Wildcats have both had very strong seasons here in the 10U Division and are separated by just one game despite being 3 and 6 seeds respectively. These two teams didn't play during the regular season, so expect some teams to come ready to play this weekend here for this quarterfinal matchup. The Diamondbacks completed a strong regular season, especially on the defensive side of the football. The Diamondbacks gave up fewer than 8 points a season to their opponents during the regular season. If they hope to start a playoff run, they will need to keep that unit on point. To do so, they will turn to Grady Kelly and Evan McMihelk have big games in

this matchup. The Las Vegas Elite Wildcats meanwhile had a very solid season as well. They were one of the more exciting teams to watch on both sides of the football, but were also very good on defense. The Wildcats gave up just fewer than 12 points a contest to their opponents. Thanks to the stellar play of Larry Slayton and Jared Halford this team should be ready to pounce on a playoff victory come this Saturday afternoon.

#4 Seed Green Valley Knights (5-2) VS #5 Seed Spring Valley Jr. Grizzlies (5-2) – 10U D2 Division

Where: Green Valley High School

When: 10:45 AM

The Green Valley Knights play host to the Spring Valley Jr. Grizzlies in what should be a classic 4 vs. 5 matchups. These two teams faced off a few weeks ago in the regular season in a game that the Knights won by a score of 13-12. Expect another tremendous matchup this weekend between these two teams at Green Valley High School this weekend. The Knights had a very strong regular season, especially when you realize how young this team is. The Knights will be turning to Kaden Cadang and Dominic Kennedy to try and lance a big victory this weekend. The Knights offense averaged just about 17 points a contest this season, and that unit will need to be on their game and take advantage of every possible opportunity if they want to come out with a victory. The Grizzlies meanwhile also had a tremendous season, especially considering this group just came together this season. Earning the 5 seed came courtesy of their offense as well, as they averaged over 18 points a game this season. The Grizzlies will be turning to Gavin Winterrowd and Furian Inferrera to help them try and claw their way to victory in this quarterfinal showdown. When two teams are this evenly matched, it comes down to execution, so let's see who can execute better this weekend at Green Valley High School.

#1 Seed Western Ducks (7-0) VS #4 Seed TMT Red Lions (4-4) – 11U Weighted Division

Where: Western High School

When: 11:45 AM

The Western Ducks and TMT Red Lions face off in an 11U Weighted Division semifinal showdown at Western High School that should be a very entertaining matchup. The Ducks and Red Lions have faced off twice already this season, and will both be certainly prepared for their third here in the semifinals of the 11U Weighted Division. The Ducks certainly had an impressive season, soaring to a perfect record thanks to a stellar defense that gave up just 10 points all season long. That's crazy good! If they hope to start a playoff run towards the championship, they will need to rely on Jaden Williams and Dawson Levine to try and power them to victory. The TMT Red Lions meanwhile have roared here already in the playoffs as they sunk the Pirates in the first round of the playoffs. They will look to continue that hot streak this weekend and will look to rely on Tarrance Gibbs and Elijah Redic to lead them to victory this time around. The Red Lions offense was very solid this season, averaging over 18 points a game. Will that be enough offense to clip the Ducks wings?

#2 Seed Las Vegas Wolverines (6-1) VS #3 Seed Pahrump Trojans (6-2) – 11U Weighted Division

Where: Rancho High School

When: 10:00 AM

The Las Vegas Wolverines and Pahrump Trojans face off in the weekends other 11U Weighted semifinal in what should be an incredibly entertaining matchup. Both teams have

had tremendous seasons and have their eyes on the prize squarely on a Nevada State Championship. The Wolverines and Trojans faced off in the middle of the regular season, and while the Wolverines won that game by a score of 35-0, the game was certainly closer than the score let on. These two teams are very evenly matched. The Wolverines come into this game well rested, having earned a first round playoff bye. They finished as the divisions 2nd seed thanks to an offense that was the best in the 11U Weighted Division this season, averaging almost 30 points a game this season. The Wolverines will hope that Michael Ferguson and Aavyn Kitchen can keep this team clawing out victories as they search for a spot in the Nevada State Championship Game. The Pahrump Trojans meanwhile finished as the #3 seed and earned an impressive first round playoff victory last weekend over the Shadow Ridge Mustangs. They will try and stay on their playoff march towards a championship behind the leadership of Brennen Benedict and Gunners Cortez. The Trojans offense has been strong all season long, averaging over 28 points a contest. Both these teams know how to find the end zone, so expect a high scoring matchup this weekend at Rancho High School.

#1 Seed Bishop Gorman Gators (6-1) VS #5 Seed Western Ducks (5-3) – 12U D1 Division

Where: Del Sol High School

When: 8:15 AM

The Bishop Gorman Gators and Western Ducks face off Saturday morning in the first of the two 12U D1 Semifinals in what should be an incredibly exciting matchup. These two teams faced off way back in week #1 of the regular season, in a matchup the Gators won by a score of 26-18. Both these teams however have changed drastically heading into this weekend's playoff action, as they have both improved week in and week out. The Gators have been led by Jeremiah Hughes and Elijah Lofton this season, who have been the engine to this team's offensive motor. While the Gators offense has been stellar, it's the defense that has really chomped down on their opponents as that is what really helped them earn the division's top seed. The Gators gave up just under 7 points a game to their opponents during the regular season, and will certainly be hungry to keep the Ducks offense in check this weekend. The Ducks meanwhile has been on display, especially of late. The offense was huge last weekend in their quarterfinals playoff victory over the Henderson Cowboys and will need to come up even bigger this weekend if they hope to sink the Gators. The Ducks have averaged over 20 points a game to this point, and will look to keep that unit on the field and effective in this matchup. If that is going to happen, Jacob Boice and Tipsione Manu will need to have big games this weekend at Del Sol High School.

#2 Seed Las Vegas Gladiators (6-1) VS #2 Seed Henderson Bearcats (6-2) – 12U D1 Division

Where: Liberty High School

When: 3:15 PM

The Las Vegas Gladiators and Henderson Bearcats faced off in one of the best regular season games of the season a few weeks ago in a matchup that came down the wire. The Gladiators won that game in a 38-36 shootout for the ages that saw tremendous play from both teams. If we get anything close to that game here this weekend, all the fans at Liberty High School will certainly be in for a treat this weekend. To say that these two teams can score is an understatement. The Gladiators average 32 points a game while the Bearcats average almost 28, good enough for the top 2 rankings in the division. Expect points, points, and more points this weekend in what should be a thriller of epic proportions with a spot in the Nevada State Championship Game going to the victor. To get to the Championship Game, the Gladiators will look to Shayson See and Nehemiah Brooks to be on

their game. The Bearcats meanwhile will try and land on their feet behind the stellar play of Brandon Tunnell and Donavyn Pellet. Who will come out ahead in this one? Head out to Liberty High School to check out this exciting semifinal matchup for the ages!

#1 Seed Las Vegas Sun Devils (7-0) VS #8 Seed Las Vegas Red Eagles (3-4) – 12U D2 Division

Where: Mojave High School

When: 8:15 AM

The Las Vegas Sun Devils will look to play the role of the top seed in the 12U D2 Division while the Las Vegas Red Eagles will be looking to soar while wearing Cinderella's slipper with a first round playoff upset this Saturday morning at Mojave High School. These two teams played a few weeks ago in a thrilling matchup that the Sun Devils won by a score of 38-32. That game came down to just a few yards, so expect this 1 vs. 8 games to be as close as any 4 vs. 5! The Sun Devils earned the top spot in the division thanks to a perfect regular season. The Sun Devils offense was stellar all season long, averaging over 32 points a game. They will look to MVP Candidate Quinten Larry and Branko Hansell to heat things up on the Red Eagles in this matchup. The Red Eagles played a tough schedule but should be ready for it, as they were in tough matchups week in and week out. The Red Eagles will look to Kysean Daniels and Christian Thatcher to try and help this team soar to a first round playoff upset. The Red Eagles offense was very good this season, averaging almost 21 points a game. They will need every bit of their offensive firepower to be on point however if they hope to cool off the Sun Devils this weekend.

#2 Seed Green Valley Knights (7-0) VS #7 Arbor View Jr. Aggies (3-4) – 12U D2 Division

Where: Green Valley High School

When: 9:00 AM

The Green Valley Knights and Arbor View Aggies face off in a first round playoff matchup between a pair of feeder programs. Back on September 16th, the Knights defeated the Aggies by a score of 33-0, but that was way back in the 2nd weekend of the regular season, and quite a bit can change from then until now. The Knights however had a tremendous season, finishing with a perfect 7-0 record. The Knights, led by Quamir Cardona and Alfredo Rodriguez were stellar all-season long. This team certainly knows how to put points on the scoreboard, and will try to do that again this weekend behind an offense that has averaged over 34 points a game to date. The Aggies meanwhile had a very solid season, despite finishing below .500, showing tremendous promise as a team. They will look to pull off a playoff upset behind the ground control play of Hunter Stimpson and James Hadley. Will they have enough to unseat the Knights? They will need to improve on their offense that averaged just over 11 points a game during the regular season. Anything can happen when these two cross town rivals get together however, so expect nothing less than a well-played ball game by both teams.

#3 Seed Las Vegas Wolverines (6-1) VS #6 Seed Las Vegas Elite Wildcats (4-3) – 12U D2 Division

Where: Desert Oasis High School

When: 1:30 PM

The Las Vegas Wolverines take a 6-game win streak into the playoffs as they earned the #3 seed here in the 12U D2 Division. The Wildcats meanwhile landed on their feet often completing a more than solid regular season earning the 6th spot here heading into the playoffs and this weekend's showdown at Desert Oasis High School. These two teams faced

off in the final weekend of the regular season in a matchup that the Wolverines won by a score of 38-20. Will the result be the same this weekend? The Wolverines certainly hope so, and will be relying on Emarion Jones and Joshua Steffen to power them into the semifinals. The Wolverines offense was stellar this season, averaging over 28 points a game during the season. The Elite Wildcats meanwhile will look to flip the script this time around as they look to prove that an offense that averaged over 20 points to game has even more tricks up their sleeves here in the playoffs. The Wildcats will be turning to Lavon Brown and Treshawn Bush to power them to a potential playoff upset this weekend.

#4 Seed Toros Football (6-1) VS #5 Seed Moapa Valley Pirates (4-3) – 12U D2 Division

Where: Green Valley High School

When: 4:00 PM

In what should be a great final game of the day at Green Valley High School, the Toros will take on the Moapa Valley Pirates in what should be a very entertaining matchup. Earlier in the season the Toros traveled out to Moapa and took down the Pirates by a score of 24-6. Expect another close matchup this weekend as these two teams should play another great game this weekend here in playoff action. The Toros fell just one time this season, in the final Saturday of the regular season to the Las Vegas Sun Devils, but will turn to Andre Cade and Gunnar Myro to try and get bullish enough to reach a semifinal with a win. The Toros defense was stellar this season, holding opponents to fewer than 10 points a game this season, so that unit will be key to watch in this contest. The Pirates meanwhile will be hungry to come out and earn a spot in the semifinals as they hope to plant their flag on this division. The Pirates offense will need to improve on their 11 points per game average however if they hope to crack the tough nut of a defense that the Toros have. In order to do so, the Pirates will turn to Landon Wrzesinski and Jaydan Bunker to power the offense here in quarterfinal action.

#1 Seed Bishop Gorman Gators (7-0) VS #4 Seed Spring Valley Jr. Grizzlies (5-3) – 13U Weighted Division

Where: Spring Valley High School

When: 3:15 PM

The Bishop Gorman Gators look to advance into the Nevada State Championship Game as they take on the red hot Spring Valley Jr. Grizzlies this weekend at Spring Valley High School. The Gators finished the regular season a perfect 7-0 and earned the top spot and a first round playoff bye thanks to tremendous team play. The Gators offense averaged more than 34 points a game while the defense gave up just 1 touchdown all season long. Both of those stats are good enough for tops in the division. While the Gators feature a balanced attack, stars like Kyri Shoels and Silas Shannon will need to have big games if they hope to lead the Gators to victory in this matchup with the Grizzlies. The Grizzlies meanwhile are red hot too, winning 5 straight games including a thrilling first round playoff victory over the Shadow Ridge Mustangs. One of those early season losses however was to these Gators by a score of 35-0, but quite clearly the Grizzlies have found 5th gear here the past month plus. The Grizzlies will be turning to Nikita McCrimon and Tra'jean Evans to try and power them to the playoff upset. The Grizzlies offense has been strong this season, averaging almost 20 points a game, but they will need every ounce of a team effort if they are to swat the Gators this weekend.

#2 Seed Pahrump Warriors (7-1) VS #3 Seed Faith Lutheran Crusaders (6-2) – 13U Weighted Division

Where: Faith Lutheran High School

When: 10:45 AM

In what should be an incredibly exciting 13U Weighted Division semifinal, the Pahrump Warriors and Faith Lutheran Crusaders face off in the Las Vegas Bowl Game of the Week with a spot in the Nevada State Championship Game going to the victor. These two teams played way back in weekend #1 of the season in a matchup the Warriors won by a score of 27-0, but this will be a whole new ball game as both teams have found their stride to this point. The 2nd seed Pahrump Warriors have certainly looked like a team on the war path focused on a championship run. They will turn to Henry Amaya and Syblue Glisson to try and lead them to a big playoff win. The Warriors offense has been one of the best in the division, averaging 28 points a contest. Looking to slow down that Warriors offense is a Faith Lutheran Crusaders team that has also played well of late. The Crusaders will be turning to their red hot offense led by Ryder Sudbury and Andrew Garofalo to help lead them to a Nevada State Championship appearance. The Crusaders offense was nothing to sneeze at this season, averaging over 25 points a contest this season. Expect them to be on point this weekend in what should be an exciting offensive matchup at Faith Lutheran High School in the Las Vegas Bowl Game of the Week.

#1 Seed Las Vegas Bengals (7-0) VS #4 Seed 702 49ers (4-3) – 14U D1 Division

Where: Liberty High School

When: 11:45 AM

The Las Vegas Bengals in their first season in NYS came in and completed a perfect regular season and will put that perfect regular season on the line here in the semifinals when they take on the 702 49ers at Liberty High School. These two teams played way back on Opening Day in a matchup the Bengals won by a score of 35-0, but both these teams have shown tremendous improvement since that point. The Bengals have had a stellar season, led by Ferrari Busby and D'Andre Washington who lead this team in touchdowns. That being said, they have a number of players that shine on offense, as this team averages over 32 points a contest. They will look to utilize that top offense in this matchup with the 49ers. The 49ers meanwhile will look to strike gold and pull off the upset at Liberty High School. The 49ers will be turning to Jayden Maiava and Jett Solomon to power their attack. The 49ers averaged just over 20 points a contest, so they can score too, but will they have enough punch? Time will tell here in this exciting semifinal showdown at Liberty High School.

#2 Seed Bishop Gorman Gators (6-1) VS #3 Seed Fast Twitch Warriors (5-2) – 12U D1 Division

Where: Del Sol High School

When: 11:45 AM

The Bishop Gorman Gators and Fast Twitch Warriors face off in the other 14U D1 final in yet another week 1 of the regular season rematch. The Gators won that matchup by a score of 25-12 in what was a highly athletic and exciting matchup. The Gators come in the #2 seed here this Saturday having had a great regular season, especially on offense where they averaged over 30 points a contest. They will look to keep that offense on point behind the stellar play of Cam'Ron Barfield and Germi Bernard who have had tremendous years and careers. The Fast Twitch Warriors meanwhile are the team tasked with slowing down the Gators. The Warriors might be the team with the most overall team speed to ever play a game in Nevada history. Will that team speed turn into a team win? If it's going to, the Warriors will need to be on point on offense, just like they were in the regular season where they averaged over 25 points a game. The Warriors will be turning to Zachariah Branch and

Kendric Thomas to move like lightening if they hope to flip the script on the Gators this Saturday afternoon at Del Sol High School.

#1 Seed Las Vegas Aces (5-1) VS #8 Seed Toros Football (3-4) – 14U D2 Division

Where: Green Valley High School

When: 12:30 PM

The Las Vegas Aces earned the top spot in the 14U D2 Division and will put it all on the line here in their first round playoff showdown with the Toros this Saturday at Green Valley High School. The Aces and Toros didn't face each other this season, so expect these teams to try and feel each other out early in this matchup. The Aces have been led by Jeremiah Nichols and Edward Rhambo this season, and will look for that pair to get plenty of help in this hand. The Aces offense was very steady this season, averaging over 22 points a contest, so look for them to try and score early and often against the Toros defense. Speaking of the Toros defense, the Toros played defense quite well this season, giving up just 16 points a contest to their opponents. They will need to be on point if they hope to bull their way into the semifinals with a victory this weekend. The Toros were led by Gavin Thammavongsa and Joseph Kuykendall this season, so look for another big showing from those two leaders in this Saturday afternoon playoff thriller.

#2 Seed Las Vegas Wolverines (5-2) VS #7 Seed Henderson Falcons (3-4) – 14U D2 Division

Where: Rancho High School

When: 8:15 AM

The Las Vegas Wolverines and Henderson Falcons travel out to Rancho High School to battle it out for a spot in the semifinals this Saturday morning. The Wolverines and Falcons didn't square off this season, but both should have seen plenty of film on each other by this point of the playoffs. The Wolverines were anchored by a stellar defense this season, giving up just 10 points a game to their opponents. The offense however led by Marcos Kemp and Khamari Jones will need to be on point if they hope to keep the Falcons from soaring to an upset victory. The Falcons meanwhile really found their footing in the middle of the season, earning a spot in the playoffs thanks to the stellar play of Sebastian Holguin and Conner Johnson. That duo has really led the way for this team. The Falcons offense averaged just over 12 points a contest this season, but might need to come up with more than that if they hope to take down the Wolverines this weekend? Don't miss out on this exciting matchup at Rancho High School this Saturday morning if you want to see who comes out ahead in this great showdown.

#3 Seed Moapa Valley Pirates (5-2) VS #6 Seed Green Valley Knights (3-3) – 14U D2 Division

Where: Green Valley High School

When: 2:15 PM

The Moapa Valley Pirates will dock their ship at Green Valley High School for a playoff matchup that should be very exciting to watch as both teams have tremendous talent, especially on the offensive side of the football. The Pirates and Knights didn't see each other during the regular season, but get a glimpse at each other here in the playoffs in what should be a very close and exciting first round matchup. The Pirates averaged an impressive 27 points a game as a team this season and will hope that clear skies keep that offense on point. They will be turning to Austin Heiselbetz and Jayme Carvajal to steer the ship this weekend in what they hope will be the start of a playoff run. The Green Valley Knights meanwhile will be trying to put a slash in the Pirates flag this weekend and earn a

win of their own. The Knights were led by Mark Rerecich and Michael Towle this season, and hope that duo and the rest of the squad can power them into the semifinals. The Knights offense averaged over 21 points a game and may need every inch and more in this matchup, so expect nothing less than a full effort from these two proud franchises.

#4 Seed Las Vegas Seahawks (4-2) VS #5 Seed Faith Lutheran Crusaders (4-3) – 14U D2 Division

Where: Faith Lutheran High School

When: 9:00 AM

The Las Vegas Seahawks and Faith Lutheran Crusaders face off in what should be a classic 4 vs. 5 matchup at Faith Lutheran High School this weekend. The Seahawks and Crusaders didn't see each other during the regular season, but are both incredibly strong teams, so expect an even matchup. The Seahawks soared to the 4 seed thanks to a stellar defense that gave up just 14 points a game to opponents. On offense, the Seahawks were led by Demetrius Boykin and Anthony Jones, and will need those two and the rest of the offense to be on point if they hope to soar past the Crusaders in this one. The Crusaders meanwhile also had a great regular season, especially on offense. The Crusaders offense put up 24 points a game this season, and certainly looked the part of a contender. They will need Kodi Decambra and Carson Hersh to lead the way this weekend in what should be a very entertaining first round playoff showdown.