

Vacaville High School football team loses defensive battle to Granite Bay

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Another week, another difficult opponent.

The Vacaville High School's tough preseason continued on Friday at Granite Bay as the Bulldogs dropped a 14-9 decision to the Sacramento-area power.

Granite Bay was ranked No. 8 in the Sac-Joaquin Section by maxpreps.com heading into the contest.

Vacaville was held to three second-quarter field goals from Ariel Till from 38, 43 and 25 yards out. The Bulldogs led 9-7 after the third field goal with 3:56 left, but the Grizzlies went ahead for good when quarterback Noah Mitcheom fired a 41-yard touchdown to Josh Coibion with 2:13 left in the half.

Granite Bay scored in the first quarter on a 6-yard touchdown run from Jayce Latson.

Vacaville quarterback Ryan Vaughan was 13 of 35 for 130 yards with one interception. Vaughan ran for 33 yards. His favorite receiver was Timothy Plowman, who had six catches for 46 yards.

Bulldogs running back Darian Leon-Guerrero was held to 34 yards on 12 carries. The Grizzlies (3-1) outgained the Bulldogs (2-2) 185-83 on the ground.

Mitcheom was 6 of 11 for 96 yards.

After starting the season 2-0, Vacaville has lost two straight. The Bulldogs dropped a decision at Cardinal Newman of Santa Rosa last week.