



Chiefs drop home opener to Evangel 45-7

NATCHITOCHEs, La. - The Natchitoches Central Chiefs were beaten by the Evangel Eagles, 45-7, Friday in the home opener for NCHS at Turpin Stadium.

The Eagles (1-1) jumped out to a 10-0 lead in the first quarter as they converted a 26-yard field goal by Kaegon Kent with 7:23 left in first. After NCHS was forced to punt, Evangel responded with a 10-yard touchdown from Pop Houston to Johnny Casey with 2:30 left in the first.

The Eagles added to their lead early in the second quarter as Houston connected with Charley Abraham for a 20-yard touchdown reception making it 17-0 with 10:54 to go in the quarter.

Houston added two more touchdowns passes in the first half as the Eagles roared to a 31-0 lead with under three minutes to go before halftime.

NCHS (1-1) tried to fight back as Owen Smith connected with Dillon Braxton for a 75-yard touchdown pass to cut the Eagles' lead to 31-7 at the half.

Midway through the third quarter, Houston threw his fourth touchdown pass of the game for 30 yards to make it 38-7 Eagles. Evangel added another touchdown midway through the fourth quarter to make it 45-7 as the Chiefs dropped the home opener.

Next up, the Chiefs will take on the Captain Shreve Gators on the road in Shreveport, Louisiana on Friday, Sept. 20 at 7 p.m.