

CLARKSBURG

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Coach: Larry Hurd**2007:** 12-1, 3-0**Starters:** 7/7

Three-year starters LB-RB Avery Graham (Maryland) and RB Mark Small lead this 2007 2A semifinal team.

S 5	Walter Johnson	6:30
S 12	Blake	6:30
S 19	at Northwood	6:30
S 26	Wootton	6:30
O 3	Poolesville	6:30
O 10	at B-CC	6:30
O 16	at Rockville	6:30
O 24	Einstein	6:30
O 31	Lansdowne	6:30
N 7	at Watkins Mill	6:30



Mark Small, powering for extra yardage against Wootton last season, returns to give Clarksburg an experienced backfield tandem.

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NORTHWOOD

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Coach: Dennis Harris**2007:** 5-5, 1-2**Starters:** 2/1

Junior QB Jimmy Hessler threw for 1,500 yards in seven games last season before injuring his ankle.

S 5	at Rockville	6:30
S 12	at Blair	6:30
S 19	Clarksburg	6:30
S 26	at Poolesville	6:30
O 3	Wicomico	6:30
O 10	at Einstein	6:30
O 17	St. George's	6:30
O 25	Wheaton	2
O 31	at Walter Johnson	6:30
N 7	Kennedy	6:30

POOLESVILLE

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Coach: Steve Orsini**2007:** 3-7, 0-3**Starters:** 3/4

Senior TB-DE Chase Beck, who played FB in 2007, will try to help raise the team's scoring.

S 5	at Brunswick	7
S 12	Smithsburg	6:30
S 19	at Boonsboro	7:30
S 26	Northwood	6:30
O 3	at Clarksburg	6:30
O 10	at Samuel Banks	3:45
O 17	at Walter Johnson	6:30
O 24	B-CC	6:30
O 31	Rockville	6:30
N 7	at Maryland SFD	7

ROCKVILLE

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Coach: Mark Maradei**2007:** 5-5, 2-1**Starters:** 7/7

After its first playoff bid in 11 years, this team has a deep receiving corps and senior QB Peter Nalle.

S 5	Northwood	6:30
S 12	Richard Mont.	6:30
S 19	at Einstein	6:30
S 26	Caravel Acad. (Del.)	6:30
O 3	at Wheaton	6:30
O 10	Wootton	6:30
O 16	Clarksburg	6:30
O 24	at North Point	7
O 31	at Poolesville	6:30
N 7	Blake	6:30

Father figure of the league: Ernie Ceccato led Poolesville to its only state final (1983) along with two other playoff appearances in 15 years, before leaving to start the Quince Orchard program in 1988. Three years later, he won a title with the Cougars.