First half doom Chiefs in 40-20 loss at Captain Shreve

SHREVEPORT, La. - The Natchitoches Central Chiefs' football team dropped their second straight game in a 40-20 loss to the Captain Shreve Gators Friday night on the road at Lee Hedges Stadium in Shreveport.

The Chiefs (1-2, 0-2 in 1-5A) fell down 13-0 in the first quarter as Captain Shreve scored on a 42-yard touchdown run by Jarmecea Plater. Later in the quarter, the Gators scored again on a 4-yard touchdown run.

NCHS battled back as Dillon Braxton caught a slant pass from Owen Smith for a 47-yard touchdown reception cutting the Gators' lead to 13-7 late in the first quarter.

The Gators (2-1, 1-1 in 1-5A) continued their offensive onslaught as they scored on their first five offensive possessions to take a 33-7 lead with 5:45 left in the second quarter.

In the second half, the Chiefs fought back valiantly as they scored a pair of touchdowns. KJ Newton caught a 38-yard touchdown pass from Smith while Kelton Howard scored on a 60-yard touchdown run.

But it wasn't enough as time ran out on the Chiefs giving Captain Shreve their second straight win over NCHS (32-24 last year at Turpin Stadium).

Next up, Natchitoches Central will host the Parkway Panthers Friday, Sept. 27 at 7 p.m. in Turpin Stadium.