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# Vote for top high school football player of Week 7 from Arizona Republic's 20 best



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Here are The Arizona Republic's top 20 high school football players from Week 7 of the 2024 season. Coaches nominated players. Vote in our poll below for the No. 1 overall player of the week (print readers can find the poll with this story on azcentral.com/sports/high-schools).

# Top 20 Week 7 high school football players

#### 1. Khavontae Paul, Glendale Ironwood, QB, Jr.

In a 42-26 win over Avondale Agua Fria, he ran 30 times for 295 yards and four touchdowns and completed 7 of 13 passes for 112 yards.

#### 2. Donivan Dixon, Cave Creek Cactus Shadows, QB, Jr.

In a win Saturday night over Las Vegas HS, he was 25 of 33 passing for 347 yards, three TDs with two interceptions and ran for two scores.

# 3. Destry Owings, Bagdad, DB, So.

In a 64-0 1A rout of Chandler Lincoln Prep, he intercepted three passes for 155 yards, including touchdown returns of 100 and 35 yards.

#### 4. Chase Gieszler, Buckeye Verrado, QB, Sr.

In a 49-13 win over Peoria Sunrise Mountain, he was 9 of 9 passing for 286 yards and four TDs. He also ran three times for 49 yards and a TD.

#### 5. Alex Lugo, Phoenix Pinnacle, WR/RS, Jr.

He had a 25-yard scoring catch, 74 yards in punt returns and 43 yards in kickoff returns in a 45-14 rout of Scottsdale Chaparral.

#### 6. Jaxon Knutson, Tempe McClintock, QB, Sr.

In a 52-21 win over Skyline, he was 19 of 25 for 292 yards and four TDs, giving him more than 2,100 yards passing and 29 TD passes in a 6-0 start.

## 7. Jameson Wade, Mesa Red Mountain, LB, Jr.

In a 28-11 win over previously unbeaten Gilbert Highland, he had 13 tackles, giving him 47 through a 6-0 start.

#### 8. J.J. Brutus, ALA West Foothills, OLB, Sr.

In a 45-0 3A win over Paradise Honors, he had seven tackles, two sacks and four quarterback hurries.

#### 9. Noah Roberts, Chandler Basha, RB, So.

In a 35-32 win over Phoenix Brophy Prep, he ran for two second-half touchdowns, including a 57-yarder that gave the Bears a 35-17 lead.

#### 10. Daylen Sharper, Brophy Prep, WR, Sr.

He had seven catches for 106 yards and two TDs against Basha.

#### 11. Sir Stokes, Yuma Catholic, WR, Sr.

In a 45-13 4A win over Phoenix St. Mary's, he caught nine passes for 269 yards and three TDs.

#### 12. Jamar Beal-Goines, Goodyear Desert Edge, DB/PR, Sr.

In a 40-13 win over Goodyear Millennium, he returned a punt for a touchdown and locked it down at cornerback all night.

#### 13. Blake Roskopf, Desert Edge, QB, So.

In the Millennium win, in his season debut, he was 20 of 32 for 388 yards and three TDs with one interception.

#### 14. Dylan Hayhurst, Phoenix Barry Goldwater, RB, Sr.

In a 43-37 win over Glendale Apollo, he ran for 210 yards and four TDs.

#### 15. Braxton Huynh, Peoria Liberty, WR, So.

In a 45-20 win over Chandler, he caught five passes for 124 yards and a TD.

# 16. Sir-Izzik Sanchez Caldwell, Tonopah Valley, QB, Sr.

In a 48-12 2A win over Parker that improved the Phoenix to 7-0, he passed for 193 yards and two TDs. He also ran for 108 yards and a score.

# 17. Caleb Randall, Scottsdale Christian, RB/LB, Sr.

In a 27-13 win over Phoenix Veritas Prep, he picked up 202 yards and two TDs on 25 carries to go with 11 tackles and a sack on defense.

## 18. Elijah Little, Phoenix Thunderbird, RB, Sr.

In a 46-0 win over Lake Havasu, he ran 16 times for 122 yards and four TDs.

#### 19. Charlie Parke, Phoenix Shadow Mountain, K, Sr.

In a 62-6 win over Scottsdale Coronado, he made 8 of 8 points after touchdowns and booted a 53-yard field goal.

#### 20. Nash Ott, Yuma Catholic, QB, Sr.

In the win over St. Mary's, he was 20 of 28 passing for 418 yards and six TDs.

(If having difficulty registering vote, click here).

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