

SKYLINE FOOTBALL: 2009 game-by-game-results

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>W/L</u>	<u>Score</u>
Aug. 21	HURRICANE	W	27-14
	<p>These two teams met for the first time ever, and Skyline jumped on the Tigers early. Algernon Brown rushed for two touchdowns, and Chase Dunford ran for one and passed for another. Hurricane's punting woes gave Skyline short fields. Hurricane went on to finish 10-3 and advanced to the 3A championship game.</p>		
Aug. 28	at Olympus	L	14-28
	<p>The Battle of the "Rock" was back again, and the Titans took it back for the first time since 2003. Brown rushed for 98 yards, and Dunford passed for 173, but Skyline had too many turnovers and couldn't stop Oly's big running back, Terry Isaia. Oly finished with its best season in years (7-4) and reached the 4A playoffs.</p>		
Sept. 4	HIGHLAND	W	41-21
	<p>Skyline played its best game of the season. The Eagles had their running game going, and Dunford surprised Highland's secondary with several sharp, long passes. Dunford finished with 245 yards through the air and Skyline blew this game open in the third quarter. Highland got hot later in the season, finished with an 8-4 record and reached the 4A quarterfinals.</p>		
Sept. 11	at Granger*	W	50-6
	<p>Skyline dominated this Region 2 opener. Brian Orr had one of his best games of the season, scoring twice on pass receptions and returning a punt for another. The Eagles got a chance to let everyone play. Granger later won two straight games. The Lancers missed the playoffs, but had one of their best seasons in years.</p>		
Sept. 18	WEST* (<i>homecoming</i>)	W	36-19
	<p>Brown rushed for 187 yards and surprised West with a 40-yard halfback pass to Orr for a touchdown. The home crowd was nervous as Skyline trailed 12-7 at halftime, but blew the game open in the third period. West ended with a 5-6 record, made the playoffs, but lost in the first round.</p>		

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Sept. 25	at Cottonwood*	L	28-43
	<p>This was Skyline's biggest game to date, as most fans figured it would decide the Region 2 title. The Eagles couldn't stop Cottonwood's passing game, but Skyline surprised the Colts twice with halfback option passes from Brown to Orr. The game was tied 28-28 at halftime, but Skyline couldn't muster enough offense after that. Cottonwood finished second in the region, and lost to Alta in the 5A quarterfinals.</p>		
Sept. 30	CYPRUS*	W	49-19
	<p>Dunford passed for 300 yards and four touchdowns, including three to Orr, and Anthony Salehi had a season-high 114 yards as the Eagles routed another region opponent. Skyline led 42-0 at halftime, and then the 35-point "mercy rule" let the clock run most of the second half. Cyprus won just two games all year and finished in last place in region.</p>		
Oct. 9	at East	W	41-7
	<p>The Eagles took a break from region play, and dominated neighborhood rival East on the road. Brown rushed for 100 yards and four touchdowns, while Dunford connected with Orr on a pair of touchdown passes. East didn't score until near the end of the game. The Leopards were down in 2009 and won just one game all season.</p>		
Oct. 16	HUNTER*	L	34-35
	<p>Skyline dropped another big region game, which went back-and-forth until the very end. Hunter had a huge offensive line and was able to unleash its running backs for healthy gains. Skyline stayed in the game with a potent passing attack, led by Dunford, who had three TD passes, and Brown, who threw one, too. Skyline missed Orr, who was hurt a few days earlier. Hunter had a great year, won the region title, and reached the 5A semifinals.</p>		
Oct. 22	at Murray*	W	59-35
	<p>Skyline's offense was unstoppable. The Eagles averaged almost 10 yards per rushing attempt, so rarely threw the ball. Skyline scored every time it had the ball in the first half and claimed a 42-7 lead. Coach Roger Dupaix emptied the bench in the second half, and the JVs put up two touchdowns. Murray had a good season (for them) and won three games.</p>		
Oct. 30	at Syracuse (5A playoff game)	L	7-31
	<p>The Titans' big offensive line, and too many injuries, finally took its toll in this 5A playoff opener. Skyline led 7-0 on a nice catch and run by Andy Rounds. Brown got hurt and, without a running game, Skyline had to pass and it resulted in too many turnovers. Syracuse piled it on at the end, but lost the following week to 5A champion Bingham.</p>		