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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL RETURNS TO FENWAY PARK IN EXPANDED THANKSGIVING RIVALRY SERIES FEATURING TWO DOUBLEHEADERS

Eight local high school teams will play in their traditional Thanksgiving rivalry games at Fenway Park in a pair of doubleheaders November 20-21; Tickets available on November 6 at redsox.com/highschoolfootball

BOSTON, MA – Fenway Sports Management (FSM) announced today the expanded return of high school football to Fenway Park with four games taking place November 21-22. Building on the excitement and success of hosting Thanksgiving rivalry games in 2015 and 2017, eight local high schools will compete over two days in a pair of doubleheaders at the ballpark. High school football tickets will go on sale November 6 at noon at redsox.com/highschoolfootball.

The high school games will begin on Tuesday, November 20 when Burke High School takes on West Roxbury in a 5:00 p.m. kickoff. That contest will be followed immediately by a battle between Foxborough High and Mansfield High at 7:30 p.m. On Wednesday, November 21 the action again begins at 5:00 p.m. with St. John's Prep battling Xaverian followed by a clash between Baystate Conference rivals Natick and Framingham at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$20 with 25% of every ticket sold given back to the school each patron is supporting. Suites are available for high school football games by contacting premiumsales@redsox.com.

High school football games were commonly played at Fenway Park in the early 20th Century. The ballpark also hosted the 1912 high school national championship game when Everett was defeated by Oak Park, IL. High school football wasn't played at Fenway again until 1935, when a series of games were held featuring high schools from around Boston. After an 80-year absence, high school football returned to Fenway Park in November 2015.

Tuesday, November 20:

- **Burke vs. West Roxbury at 5:00 p.m.** – Meeting for the first time since Oct. 16, 2015, these two Boston city schools will be battling for civic pride inside the hallowed grounds of Fenway Park. West Roxbury won that 2015 meeting, 12-6, in a low-scoring, hard-fought contest at White Stadium in Boston's Franklin Park.
- **Foxborough vs. Mansfield at 7:30 p.m.*** – Their first meeting on Thanksgiving took place in 1947, a 13-7 Mansfield victory. The two schools have been battling on the gridiron since the 1920s. Mansfield has won 11 of the previous 14 meetings, including a 28-20 thriller in the 2017 meeting at Ahern Middle School in Foxborough.

Wednesday, November 21:

- **St. John's Prep vs. Xaverian at 5:00 p.m.** – St. John's Prep will be looking to snap a 5-game Xaverian win streak in this traditional rivalry. Xaverian has won 10 of the previous 14 meetings, including a 30-0 convincing victory in 2017.
- **Natick vs. Framingham at 7:30 p.m.*** – Finishing out the four-game rivalry series will be the longest standing rivalry in the series and one of the longest in the nation as Natick battles Framingham for the 113th time. The traditional Natick vs Framingham game was first played in 1904 with Framingham blanking Natick, 34-0. Natick has claimed 11 of the last 14 meetings, including the last six. Natick won last year's contest 35-6.

**Approximate time – Game 2 will kick off 40 minutes after the conclusion of Game 1*

The four high school showdowns follow the 135th edition of the legendary rivalry between Harvard and Yale, when “The Game” is played at Fenway Park on Saturday, November 17. For more information about this year’s football games at Fenway, including how to purchase tickets and parking, and any additional schedule updates, please visit redsox.com/highschoolfootball.

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