

SPORTS

Three-way tiebreaker set for GSL 4A seeding

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The football regular season is over, yet the 4A Greater Spokane League playoff seedings still have not been completely settled.

Yes, by finishing undefeated in league for the first time since 1995, Central Valley earned its first title since 2008 with an emphatic 44-15 win over Lewis and Clark at Albi Stadium on Friday.

That was the first domino to fall that day.

Later, Gonzaga Prep thumped visiting Mead 48-6 to solidify its hold on the second seed to the district playoffs. Domino No. 2.

Finally, University topped visiting Ferris 31-12 to set up a three-way tiebreaker for the third seed to the district playoffs between LC, U-Hi and Mead, all 2-3 in league, on Tuesday at Albi Stadium.

It will be the seventh tiebreaker of this nature in GSL history and the first since 2009.

The teams will meet in “mini-games,” two 10-minute halves with a 10-minute halftime. Each team will have two timeouts.

If the game is tied after two halves, the teams will trade possessions starting at the 25-yard line. If it still tied following the first overtime possession, the team will have another possession from the 25. After that, the tiebreaker moves to the 10-yard line until a winner is determined.

The first game pits University against Lewis and Clark at 4 p.m. The winner will then face Mead and the winner of that game will be awarded the third seed.

The prize: play again three days later against Mid-Columbia Conference champion **Richland (9-0, 7-0)**, which has outscored its opponents 370-83.