



Welcome to the fourth edition of the New York Jets 2026 Girls Flag Football Weekly Recap. We're excited to share the latest initiatives and events that highlight our dedication to empowering young athletes and promoting inclusivity. From growing youth football to providing opportunities for disadvantaged populations, the Jets are dedicated to fostering a spirit of unity and support. Stay tuned for updates on the season.

THIS WEEK IN ECAC

OPOW



Jeriyah Johnson
WR - Eastern

DPOW



Miranda Morstatt
WR/S - PSU Schuylkill

Read more about this week's awards [HERE](#)

UPCOMING GAMES

April 18

Eastern V.
Penn State Schuylkill

Sacred Heart V. LIU
(Doubleheader)

Marymount V. Eastern

Marymount V.
Penn State Schuylkill

Wagner V. Eastern
St. Joseph's V. Kean

Wagner V.
Penn State Schuylkill

April 19

Franciscan V. Allegheny

FOURTH ANNUAL GATORADE GIRLS FLAG SERIES

The New York Jets continued the fourth annual Gatorade Girls Flag Series last week, with the second of four high school matchups at the Atlantic Health Jets Training Center in Florham Park, NJ. During the second Gatorade Flag Football Series game on April 8, **Pine Bush High School defeated Valley Central High School, 34-0**, marking the second straight shutout during the event.

On Wednesday, April 15, Fort Hamilton High School will battle against Midwood High School at 4 p.m. from the Atlantic Health Jets Training Center for the third game of this year's Gatorade Girls Flag Football Series.

The girls from all eight teams that will compete in this year's Gatorade Girls Flag Series will have the opportunity to compete and show off their skills on the same field where Jets players train.

Since the founding of the Gatorade Girls Flag Series four years ago, 25 games have been played, and another two competitions will take place across April. This spring, over 6,000 girls will participate and compete in flag football leagues and programs supported by the Jets across the youth, high school, and collegiate levels.

GATORADE SERIES SCHEDULE
Upcoming Games

WEEK	DATE	OPPONENTS	RESULT
1	April 1	West Milford vs. Wallkill Valley	15-0
2	April 8	Pine Bush vs. Valley Central	34-0
3	April 15	Fort Hamilton vs. Midwood	-
4	April 22	Linden vs. Union	-



Amelia Bavolar Named Jets High School Girls Flag Player of the Week Presented By Gatorade



Amelia Bavolar of Pine Bush High School in Pine Bush, NY, has been named this week's New York Jets High School Girls Flag Football Player of the Week presented by Gatorade. In its fourth year, this award is presented to standout girls flag players in the tri-state area. The Jets and Gatorade will recognize players throughout the season from a series of games hosted at the Atlantic Health Jets Training Center, in addition to games played throughout the tri-state.

In the second game of the 2026 Gatorade Girls Flag Series, Bavolar led her team to a dominant 34-0 shutout win over Valley Central High School. In her first year playing flag football and first time ever playing on the defensive side of the ball, Bavolar turned in a lights out performance for Pine Bush. The junior R/C recorded 10 flag pulls, 5 sacks, 1 safety, and an INT returned for a touchdown.

As the New York Jets Girls Flag Football Player of the Week presented by Gatorade, Bavolar will receive a \$1,000 donation to be used toward Pine Bush's Girls Flag Football program. In addition to the monetary award, she is invited to attend the Jets Play Football preseason game at MetLife Stadium, where she will be honored on-field for her achievement.

Scott Rourke Named Jets High School Girls Flag Coach of the Week

Scott Rourke of Hillsborough High School in Hillsborough Township, NJ, has been named this week's New York Girls Flag Jets High School Coach of the Week. Coach Rourke will receive a \$1,000 donation to benefit Hillsborough's flag football program. Along with the monetary award, he will be honored on-field at MetLife Stadium during the Jets Play Football preseason game.



In its fourth year, the Jets Girls Flag High School Coach of the Week award is given to a coach in the tri-state area who serves the best interests of the game through the teaching of sound football fundamentals, the motivation of young players to achieve, and the promotion of youth football by way of dedication to their community, their school, and their student-athletes.

In their inaugural season, the Hillsborough Raiders are off to a commanding 4-0 start. Their most recent win came over Hunterdon Central, a team that made it to the semifinals of the N.J. High School Championships last year. Rourke and the Raiders look to continue their historic season when they take on Piscataway this Thursday at 4pm.

Coach Rourke grew up in West Orange, NJ, and attended West Orange High School. He went on to receive his Bachelor of Science in Health and Physical Education at the University of Delaware. Rourke also holds Master's degrees in Sports Administration and Educational Leadership from Montclair State University and The College of New Jersey, respectively. In his professional career, Rourke has held various roles in the Hillsborough Township Public School system since 1995. Prior to his current position as the high school girls' flag coach and physical education teacher at Amsterdam Elementary School, Rourke served as the Vice Principal, Assistant Athletic Director, and Health/Physical Education Supervisor during his tenure in Hillsborough. Rourke credits the success of launching the girls' flag program to his assistant coach Nikki Inzano, Hillsborough's administrators, and significant parent and player support.

