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CENTRAL CITY - Cedar Valley Christian got walloped Friday night 70-16 by Central City to remain winless in the Huskies' still young life as a football program.

That is the bad news.

The good news?

Cedar Valley Christian Coach Ed Betsworth has a plan, a six-year plan to be exact. This is Year 2, and Betsworth said he has seen positive steps made.

"I told them when I got here that I had a six-year plan and in six years we would be in the Dome holding the trophy," Betsworth said. "It's a process and we believe in the process."

The Huskies' plan is helped by the fact that they have a terrific group of kids. They aren't the fastest, biggest, or most skilled players but they don't give up and they showed that again Friday night.

"We have a special group of kids," Betsworth said. "We know we aren't as big or experienced as other teams but we are having fun and that is what is important."

After trailing 64-0 at halftime, the Huskies could have rolled over and quit. Not this group. The Huskies came out with the same energy and fight as a team in a tie game.

"We are getting our heads handed to us but we don't quit," Betsworth said. "The kids go out and play hard."

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Both teams came into the game with 0-6 overall records and 0-5 marks in 8-Player District 4, making this a battle to stay out of the district's basement.

Cedar Valley Christian outscored Central City 16-6 in the second half. It may not have been against the Wildcats' best, but regardless of who is out there it takes a lot of heart to come give it your all in the second half after getting it handed to you for seven straight weeks.

The Huskies showed some defense early when they stood up the Wildcats on a fourth and short on the first possession of the game.

After the initial stop the Wildcat offense went wild. Central City scored six straight touchdowns en route to a 48-point first quarter.

Cedar Valley Christian couldn't get things going on offense in the first half, turning the ball over five times and managing only 33 yards.

The Huskies battled to the end in the second half, getting a touchdown pass from Spencer Zielke to Issac Egil with just over a minute left to play.

Cedar Valley Christian got their first points on a long pass from Zielke to Eric Gustafson in the third quarter. Zielke missed some of the game with a nagging heel injury and leading rusher and back-up quarterback Daniel Ostroot left the game in the second half with a knee injury.

The Huskies host Elkader Central next Friday at LaSalle Middle School.

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CVC Central City

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First Downs	9	12
RushING Yards	-39	145
Passing Yards	124	150
Comp-Att-Int	8-39-4	5-8-0
Punts-Avg	1-34	0-0
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	4-2
Penalties-yards	4-20	3-30

CVC 0 0 8 8 -- 16

Central City 48 16 6 0 -- 70

Central City – Nick McCarry 50 yard run (Mosher pass)
Central City - Mosher 15 yds to Seth Schlotterbeck (Mosher run)
Central City - Mosher 44 yds to Skyler Matthias (Mosher pass)
Central City - Mosher 43 yds to Mccarry (Mccarry run)
Central City - Mosher 37 yds to Brandon Stevens (Mosher run)
Central City - Colton Viesk 13 yd run (viesk run)
Central City - Matt Knudsen 1 yd run (Ashley lehl kick)
Central City - Matthias 27 yd kick
Central City - Gavin Pospisil 12 yd run (no good)
Cedar Valley Christian - Spencer Zielke 37 yds to Eric Gustafson (Daniel Ostroot run)
Central City - Schlotterbeck 9 yd run (attempt failed)
Cedar Valley Christian - Zielke 15 yds to Issac Egli (Zielke pass)

INDIVIDUAL STATS:

RUSHING: CVC – Daniel Ostroot 7-(-17), Arturo Melendez 4-9, Spencer Zielke 10-(-31)
Central City – Nick McCarry 2-52, David Mosher 1-2, Colton Viesk 4-23, Matt Knudsen 2-5,
Brandon Stevens 3-3, Gavin Pospisil 4-44, Seth Schlotterbeck 4-10, Korey Botts 6-5.
PASSING: CVC– Spencer Zielke 6-27-2-73, Daniel Ostroot 2-12-2-51. Central City – David
Mosher 5-7-0-150, Seth Schlotterbeck 0-1-0-0.
RECEIVING: CVC – Arturo Melendez 1-16, Eric Gustafson 3-84, Daniel Ostroot 1-11, Evan
Koch 4-50. Central City – Seth Schlotterbeck 1-15, Nick McCarry 2-54, Skyler Matthias 1-44,
Brandon Stevens 1-37.