

No. 2 Saints boot No. 2 Warriors in thriller

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Xavier captain Luke Duball scored with 37 seconds left Tuesday as the Saints trimmed the Washington Warriors, 2-1, in a battle of state soccer powers at Xavier.

Xavier (3-0) is ranked No. 2 in Class 2A and Washington (3-1) is ranked No. 2 in Class 3A.

The Warriors took an early 1-0 lead on a goal by Brooks Papendick. Duball, who switched to forward, countered with eight minutes left in the first half to forge a 1-1 tie.

Xavier goalkeeper Owen McCarron stopped a one-on-one opportunity by Washington with about two minutes left in the game.

The Saints quickly countered and got the ball to Duball, who eluded two Washington defenders and fired a rocket into the upper-left corner of the goal for the victory.