

Stovie suffered torn ACL; out for year

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Xavier High School tailback Cal Stovie sustained a serious knee injury against Prairie Friday night and will not play again this year.

Stovie injured his knee when he was tackled after a 55-yard run on his first carry of the second half against the Hawks.

"Unfortunately, not good news for Cal," Xavier Coach Duane Schulte reported Monday morning. "He tore his ACL and is done for the season."

Stovie was off to a strong start for the sixth-ranked Saints (3-0) this season. He carried the ball 48 times for 488 yards, a healthy average of 10.2 yards per carry, and scored five touchdowns in three games.

Stovie had four punt returns for a 28.5-yard average and caught three passes for 56 yards. He carried the ball 23 times for 223 yards and two touchdowns against Prairie.

Stovie was walking around after the game Friday and thought it was only a minor injury.

"It's just a little tweak in my knee," he said at the time. "I'll be fine."

Xavier hosts Dubuque Wahlert this Friday night.