

# POWDER-PUFF RETURNS WITH A SENIOR VICTORY



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Class of 2019 won the championship in the renewed tradition of a powder-puff game on Oct. 17.

"I have been wanting to play powderpuff for years, so when we actually did it this year, I was determined to play hard and win," senior Katelyn Rock said. "This win is especially important for the seniors, since this was the first but last year we could do this."

Each grade had a staff of four student coaches, one general manager, and around 25 girls per team. The teams practiced at different times, which were organized by the coaches. For junior Hannah Randall, her favorite part was the preparation.

"We would have a lot of fun at practice, and it was fun getting to know and spend time with different people outside of school," Randall said.

The night consisted of three games total with seniors beating the freshman and juniors

winning in overtime against the sophomores to head to the championship. Randall scored the winning touchdown for the juniors.

"After scoring the winning touchdown, I felt overjoyed and so proud of my teammates the we made it into the championship game," Randall said. "We had worked so hard, and I was glad I could do my part."

Powder-puff, this year, was a fundraiser for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. \$670 was raised for the cause.

"We knew that many people would be attending the game and thought that it would be a great opportunity to ask people to donate," Student Body President Olivia Rychlak said. "We wanted to make sure that this tournament would have a great cause alongside its fun atmosphere."

The win for the seniors, according to Rychlak, was a bonding experience for the grade.

"We all came together and celebrated while smiling ear-to-ear, even though we may

not have known each other a few weeks ago," Rychlak said.

Rock, who played safety for the seniors, scored a pick six in the championship game against the Class of 2020 to seal the win.

"I felt especially competitive against the juniors since I personally know a lot of them," Rock said. "I had been waiting all night to make a game-changing play, and I was finally able to do it."

According to Rychlak, there is a good possibility of becoming an annual event during Homecoming week again.

"After seeing the good sportsmanship, competitiveness, and light-hearted atmosphere of our powder puff event, I have no doubt that this will continue to be a successful and fun event for years to come," Rychlak said. "Future participants need to make sure that they follow the good example set this year, so that this event will continue to bring grades together and benefit St. Jude."



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Top: Senior **Morgan O'Connor** runs the football to endzone to score a touchdown for the seniors, while junior **Maggie Sudduth** attempts to stop and take her flags. Middle: Seniors **Whitman Rowland**, **Nolan Farmer**, **Jess Edge**, **Phil Simpson** and **Matthew Callicutt** cheer during halftime of the freshman versus senior game. Left: Juniors **Kurre Lubber** and **Claire Wootten** discuss the plays of the offense in order to attempt to beat the seniors.