

Highlander Football Opponents Set for 2026 & 2027 Seasons

The Big Central Conference has finalized its divisional alignments and scheduled opponents for the upcoming two-year scheduling cycle. This cycle covers the 2026 & 2027 seasons.

The Highlanders will get the opportunity to defend their United Silver Division Championship... with a slightly different look. South Plainfield and JFK (Iselin) return to the United Silver, but North Plainfield and New Brunswick will be exiting to different divisions. Bernards will be a member of the United Silver for this two-year cycle, after winning four consecutive Patriot Gold Division Titles.

Traditional rivals New Providence and Johnson remain on the schedule, but will be joined by several new BCC in-conference crossover opponents. Scotch Plains-Fanwood appears on the schedule. The two teams met in a 2024 NJSIAA Consolation/Non-Playoff Game, a 24-14 win for the Highlanders. Monroe, a Group 5 school, will be on the schedule for the first time.

The Highlanders will also renew acquaintances with regional neighbor, Dayton. That game is confirmed for Week 0 to start the season, with the site to be determined.

Rounding out the schedule will be a crossover game with the NJIC, a collection of Group 1 & 2 schools similar in size and strength to GL and other Group 1 & 2 BCC programs. This crossover will be with Lyndhurst, a North, Group 2 playoff participant in each of the past three seasons.

Dates, locations, and kickoff times will be determined at a later date.



2026 & 2027 Opponents

