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Jorge Sifuentes finds room to run between two Tullahoma defenders. The Pioneers had little success against the Wildcats, falling 42-8 in three quarters of work Friday.

Wildcats roll over Pioneers

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Warren County will have to hope its season won't play out like the preseason scrimmages.

The Pioneers were walloped Friday in Tullahoma, falling 42-8 in three quarters of play against the Wildcats. The workout concluded with each team running 10 plays, where Tullahoma added two more touchdowns to its count.

"We knew a couple things they were going to do, but we didn't know they were going to run so much zone read," said Warren County coach Tom Moore. "Having a young team, we really have to have an airtight game plan. It's hard for us to just go out and play somebody who is a little more talented than we are with some pretty good skill players."

"It's tough right now. We're super thin and had some losses. Players are playing both ways."

The Pioneers didn't just take major hits on the scoreboard against the Wildcats. An already

thin roster got dinged up even more.

Senior receiver and cornerback Brandon Hennessee went down with a knee injury early in the first quarter. The injury could keep Hennessee out the entire season.

Starting running back CJ Taylor left the game in the second quarter after taking a hit while making a tackle on defense. It's hopeful he'll be back for the opener.

"I purposely didn't schedule a third scrimmage so we'd have more time to game plan for the opener," said Moore, whose team will open against DeKalb County Friday, Aug. 17. "Hopefully we don't have too many injuries going forward."

The Pioneer defense had its share of struggles, allowing the Wildcats to score on six straight drives after forcing a punt on Tullahoma's first drive.

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Douglas Wells hangs on to Tullahoma running back Briaen Corn in the backfield during Friday's scrimmage.



McKenna Mason and the Lady Pioneers tied Central Magnet 0-0 in their first scrimmage of the fall.

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Soccer stalemate

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The first test for the Lady Pioneer soccer team came back with a grade of incomplete. Warren County battled Central Magnet to a scoreless tie in Thursday's scrimmage, the first of two workouts the Lady Pioneers will have before starting the season Aug. 14.

"I thought we did OK," said WCHS coach Todd Willmore. "We started out a little slow and passive. We picked it up and played pretty well late. I thought our conditioning paid off. We got gassed at the end, but I thought we were in better shape."

"We were pushing the pace and had a lot of opportunities down the stretch."

Willmore was unafraid to throw his team into the fire, scheduling the Murfreesboro school for the team's first scrimmage. A region qualifier in six of the last seven



Rachel Stewart makes a save for the Lady Pioneers against Central Magnet.

years, the Lady Tigers showed their mettle in holding down Warren County offensively.

The Lady Pioneers, no strangers to the region themselves after qualifying four of the last seven years, did get closest to breaking the tie.

Freshman Katie Toney found enough room in the

Lady Tiger defense to thread a pass to Journey Cowan. The sophomore made a quick move and beat the keeper, but the ball rolled in at the same time the line judge raised his flag.

The played was ruled off-sides, negating the Lady Pioneer goal.

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