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DICKINSON, Oct. 28 — Coach Guy Nunnally's Dickinson Gators make a bid for their fourth victory of the season when they journey to Needville for a football game at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

The Gators currently have a 3-3 record. In district 26-A play Dickinson has a record of one victory and one defeat.

The Gators dropped their district opener to Sweeney, but last week the team bounced back nicely to score a 13-6 decision over the Santa Fe Indians.

The stout Gator line, with such stalwarts as Bobby Blehl, Allen Neihl and Jackie Stewart standing out, was the deciding factor in the game.

The ability of the Gator line was

well exhibited last week as Dickinson players broke through to block three Santa Fe punts. Two of the blocked punts led to Gator touchdowns with Hershel Hughes and Jerry Mitchner doing the scoring.

With team spirit high the Gators are rated as favorites to defeat Needville.

Dickinson's probable starting lineup includes center Bob King, guard Bobby Diehl and John High, tackles H. E. Jackson and Albert Pittman and ends Wayne Williams and Allen Neihl.

The probable starting backfield includes Bobby Hughes, Jerry Mitchner, John Tidwell and Manuel Martinez.

The Gators ability to go inside and outside the tackle from their single wing plays was encouraging to the coaching staff as the team rang up its first district victory. Previously, they seemed to bog down on one or the other. The work of H. E. Jackson at right tackle was probably the standout performance of the game.

Expected to see action against Needville are linemen Jimmy Townsend, Jackie Tarpley, Jerry Adkins, Jackie Stewart and backs Alpolino Rios, David Brown, Glen Swindell and Bob Craig.