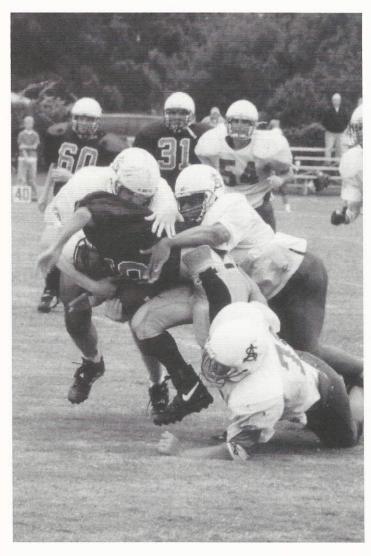
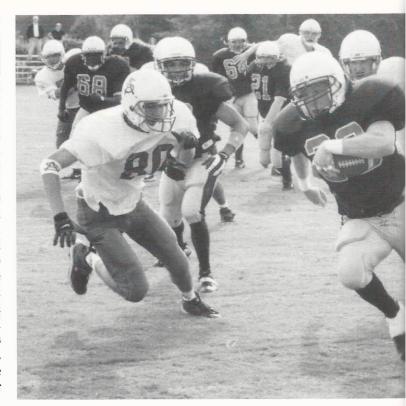
## Varsity Football

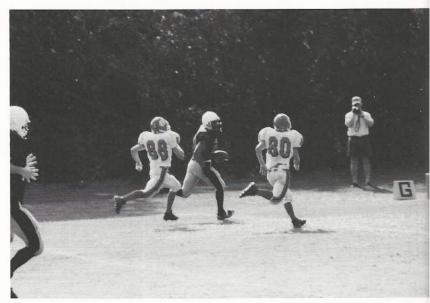
"This was a talented, well-balanced team," said Coach Boland. "It was only a defensive lapse in the first quarter against Christ School that stopped us from winning the conference and going to the state playoffs." Going 6-1 for the season, the Spartans put up big numbers in several games. They had talented running backs in Chuck Hewitt, Darshan Laborde, Tim Ross, Anthony Williams, and Adam Berstler; and an offensive line anchored by Bron Rathert, Adam Hogan, and James Pope opened up holes for the runners. The Spartans were also able to run a two quarterback system, alternating junior Frank Hill with senior Tony Lilla and getting good production from both players. Another strength was the defensive line of Ehrke, Pope, Rathert, and Hogan. They were able to control the line of scrimmage without help from the linebackers. With title hopes crushed, the team could have folded after the loss to Christ Church, but they did not. They played with heart and for pride. When Chuck Hewitt was injured, Darshan Laborde stepped up and amassed over 1,000 all-purpose yards. Award winners were Darshan Laborde, MVP; Anthony Williams, MIP; James Pope, MVDL; Adam Hogan, MVOL; David Brown, MVDB; Tim Ross, MVOB; Mark Sims, MVDP; Tony Lilla, MVOP. Laborde was All-State and All-Area. A Brown, D Brown, Hogan, Laborde, Sims, and Berstler were All-Conference.

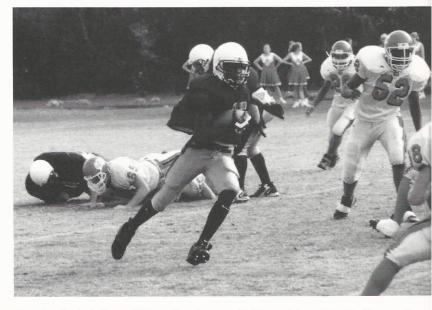
Running back Darshan Laborde, MVP, outruns defenders to score one of his many touchdowns this season.



It takes three tacklers to bring down senior Adam Berstler, an All-conference running back and a go-to player in crucial situations.







Running back Anthony Williams breaks around right end for a big gain. He was the Most Improved Player for the Spartans this season.