

# Huskys to play in Brandon Saturday

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NORTH PORT — North Port's Huskys youth spring football teams will show off their talents in a tournament in Brandon Saturday.

The Huskys were successful in their games with host Northeast Rattlers last Saturday. The varsity Huskys won 13-6, raising their record to 3-0. "Our defense played really well," varsity coach Sean Hill said. "The only touchdown they (the Rattlers) scored was off a turnover by our offense."

Hill praised the play of Octavius Cummings,

Keegan Andrews, Phillip Osipov, Courtney Stewart and Aiden Conner against the Rattlers. Andrews and Cummings are running backs and Osipov, Stewart and Conner are defensive standouts. All these players were on the Huskys' squads last season, when it won the Youth Football League Conference championship.

"These guys were a big reason we won," Hill said. "Osipov, Stewart and Conner were the keys to our defensive effort."

The junior varsity Huskys also used a strong defense in winning 14-0 to raise their record to 3-0. The Huskys mighty

mites team is 3-1 and the tiny mites are 0-3.

The spring league is helping the Huskys prepare for next fall's season. Besides winning the conference championship, the Huskys varsity team finished fourth in the five-state Southeast Regions, and had a 12-3 overall record.

The Huskys play in a league that doesn't have weight limits, thus giving big players a chance to play football before they get to high school.

Hill is leaving the Huskys after this month. He will be the North Port High School freshman football coach in the fall.

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