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**BULLARD:** New stadium kicks off new season with win

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Westwood's, DJ. Morrow scored his second TD of the night for Westwood for another very brief 21-18, Westwood lead.

Bullard however finished out the night with the rest of the scoring as Howard and Moore led to regaining the lead. Howard blasted in from 10-yards for a run to paydirt.

Howard then caught a 26-yard scoring strike from Moore to widen the lead to 31-21, score.

The final score by Howard came on a hard run of 13-yards, and the Danny Vega kicked his second point-after kick, leaving Bullard with the big opening game win.

"It's always good to win,

and especially on opening night in front of such a great crowd," said Bullard head coach, Jim Taylor. "I wa really pleased with the effort from the team and the way they played a full four quarters," Taylor added. "We have still got a lot of things to work on, and certainly room for improvement in several areas but teh kid's are working

hard, and we have a tough game coming up that will tell us a lot more about ourselves."

The Panthers (1-0), will host Athens on Friday night as both teams strive to remain undefeated on the year.

Athens (2-0), has a 34-0, win over Wills Point and beat Mabank last week, 21-14.

**Panthers take win with Moore points**

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The Bullard Panthers and Athens Hornets are fairly new to playing in a game of the undefeated as will be the case on Friday night at Panther Stadium at 7:30 p.m.

Coming off a season opening win over Westwood, 38-21, last Friday, Panthers head coach, Jim Taylor feels his squad will need to step up another notch against Athens.

"They have really been coming around as a program the past few years, and we can't let past records affect the way we approach this game," said Bullard head coach, Jim Taylor. "They are very talented, and COach Womack has eally done a great job of turning things around in Athens.

The Hornets made the play-offs last year for the first time in over a decade with a 5-6 record.

The previous playoff game for Athens dates back to 1996,

after posting an 8-3 record.

The Hornets currently stand at 20 on the year after a 34-0 thrashing of Wills Point, and besting Mabank, 21-14, last Friday night.

Athens returns two offensive starters and seven on defense, of which he will be counting on for some double-duty as well.

Defensively, teh Panthers will have to handle the job up front with five strong candidates for post-season accolades. Linebackers, Anthony Crayton (5'10, 155, 107 tackles last year), and Steven Blankenship will be key for the Haornets. Defensive end, Phillip Griffin made 55 tackles last year, five for loses, and defensive backs, Tyler JAckson, and Delance Moore each added 61 stops and made two interceptions apiece in 2007.

The Hornets will run the multiple-I formation, but will spread the ball around.

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