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Thunderbirds Win On Homecoming Night

North Branford 28, Morgan 14

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NORTH BRANFORD, Conn. -- North Branford found a win on homecoming, despite having some of its players ordered to stay away from the campus on Friday night.

The North Branford Thunderbirds hosted the Morgan Huskies, who got on the board with a long touchdown connection -- Mike Zumpano to Jim Kostek -- to tie the game.

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The Thunderbirds came into Friday night's matchup undefeated, but they continued to deal with suspensions after an underage drinking incident.

Five North Branford football players were ordered to stay away from the homecoming game after school officials said they were caught with alcohol at a house party last week. A new state law allows police to arrest teenagers for drinking on private property.

Two of the students were able to play Friday night because the district's superintendent said they were not caught with alcohol in their possession. Another five were not allowed on school property for Friday night's game.

Caroline Pethick, 54, was also charged under the new law for not stopping the teens from drinking.

North Branford went on to win the game, 28-14.

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