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Greater Latrobe's Jake Stewart (51) goes in to make a tackle on Brian Jones of Gateway on the play that left him unconscious for about two minutes during last Friday's WPIAL Quad-A South Conference game. Other than suffering a mild concussion, all tests on Stewart came back negative, and he was well enough to attend the team's video session Saturday morning.

GL's Stewart doing well after scary hit to head

Mild concussion likely to keep him out this week

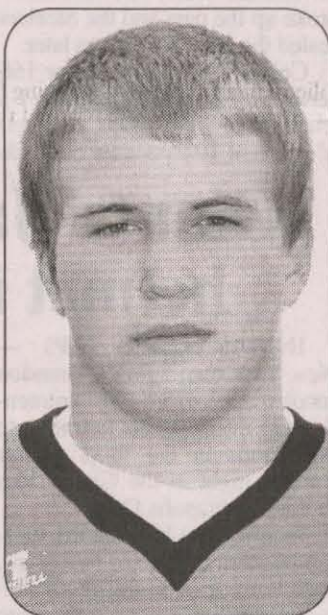
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It looked worse that it was. When Greater Latrobe's Jake Stewart was taken off the field on a stretcher and in an ambulance during the second quarter of last Friday night's WPIAL Quad-A South Conference game against Gateway, it was pretty much all for precautionary measures.

In fact, Stewart — despite suffering a mild concussion — was well enough to attend the team's video session Saturday morning.

Stewart, a 6-foot, 240-pound two-way senior lineman for the Wildcats, was left unconscious after making a tackle on Gateway running back Brian Jones.

He was out for about two



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minutes and doesn't remember anything except going in for the tackle until he regained consciousness and was talking to the trainers.

Other than a little bit of a sore neck and slight headache, all tests — including a CT scan that showed no bleeding on the brain — and X-rays came back negative.

However, since Stewart did sustain a slight concussion, he is expected to be out at least one week. He will undergo concussion testing during the week to determine if and when he can be cleared to return.

Greater Latrobe (0-1, 2-1) is at winless Connellsville (0-1, 0-3), which has now lost 29 straight games, on Friday. The Wildcats then return home Oct. 1 against McKeesport Area.