

Concussions at prep level treated seriously, but still pose a concern

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Connor Talbott waved his hand in front of Bishop Manogue quarterback and teammate Zach McElroy's face following a particularly brutal hit last season. There was no response.

Coaches and trainers arrived at McElroy's side moments later, and the junior eventually came to. He was loaded onto a gurney and placed in an ambulance, but not before he gave a thumbs up to his concerned teammates.

All told, it was a 20-minute ordeal on the Douglas Tigers' field. McElroy doesn't remember a second of it.

"I remember getting the play from Coach, running out to the huddle and calling it. And that's about it," he said. "I don't remember the hit at all."

McElroy had suffered a concussion.

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