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Six turnovers continually gave the Shamrock, Texas Irish great field position and proved to be far too much for the Turpin Cardinals to overcome in a 57-6 loss.

“Way too many turnovers,” Cardinals coach Justin Hanna said. “It doesn’t matter how much you move the ball if you turn it over and give the other team a short field. They were physical, but we still have to do a better job of taking care of the football.”

Turpin tallied 214 yards of offense, including 162 on the ground, but failed to score until the fourth quarter when lone Cardinal senior Davian Ratzlaff scored from 5-yards out.

Shamrock led 15-0 at the end of the first quarter, and was in complete command 29-0 by half.

“They were efficient with their offense and had no turnovers,” Hanna said. “We had trouble with their option, especially the pitch. Their bigger kids wore us down.”

Turpin (0-2) will take this Friday off before hosting district rival Hooker for homecoming with plans that include honoring the 50th anniversary of Turpin’s 1963 state championship team.

