

McNary blanks Franklin for third straight win

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Just four games into the year, the McNary girls' soccer squad looks to be on the verge of having a breakout season.

Junior forward Sydnee Alfano scored the lone goal of the contest in the second minute as McNary defeated Franklin 1-0 on Thursday night for their third straight victory.

It's the Celtics longest winning streak since 2018.

"It is a huge win for us. Their confidence is way higher than it was after our first game. This is probably the most coachable team I have ever worked with," McNary head coach Lauren Brouse said.

With the victory, the Celtics have already surpassed their win total from last season.

"I am really happy that we have kept the winning streak alive," Alfano said. "There were a couple times we could have fallen apart, but we stuck it through to the very last second."

It didn't take long for McNary to go into attack mode as the Celtics got their first shot-on-goal 30 seconds into the game. In the second minute, Alfano, who led the Celtics in scoring last season, found the back of the net to give her team the early lead.

After gaining possession in the mid-field, Tessa Fisher sent a through ball up the right sideline to a cutting Yasheth Arciniega Rivera, who took a couple of



McNary midfielder Maya Alston pushes the ball downfield in the Celtics 1-0 win over Franklin

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