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Pioneer should be strongest at quarterback if Harbaugh's father, Jack, doesn't decide to leave his position on the University of Michigan staff and move his family.

"We were starting from scratch (at quarterback) this year," Ritter said. "Next year we're going to be in good shape at quarterback."

Pioneer will have five returning offensive linemen next season and five returning defensive players but will need to replace back and ends on both sides of scrimmage.

Seniors who did good gobs for the Pioneers include Tim Anderson, who Ritter considers All-State material as a tackle and linebacker; lineman Greg Yarrington; defensive back and kicker Cedric Smith; wingback Lloyd Rowry; lineman Don Cress and fullback Hill.

Ritter feels he has a good base for next season with Harbaugh and the returning linemen.

"There's no question a lot of work to do but you'll certainly see improvement," Ritter said. "And, the league should be tighter next year."