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AKRON vs. FLORIDA ATLANTIC
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FAU STADIUM | BOCA RATON, FLA.





AKRON ZIPS [7-6, 6-2 MAC] at FLORIDA ATLANTIC OWLS [10-3, 8-0 C-USA]

Tuesday, Dec. 19 | FAU Stadium | Boca Raton, Fla. | 7 PM ET

Game: This is the fourth annual Cheribundi Tart Cherry Boca Raton Bowl.
Date: Tuesday, Dec. 19, 2017
Site: FAU Stadium (on the campus of Florida Atlantic), Boca Raton, Fla.
Teams: Akron [7-6, 6-2 Mid-American Conference]
 at Florida Atlantic [10-3, 8-0 Conference USA]
Kickoff: 7 p.m. ET
Television: The Cheribundi Tart Cherry Boca Raton Bowl will be televised nationally by ESPN.
Clay Matvick (pbp), **Kirk Morrison** (analyst), **Cole Cubelic** (sideline)
 will call the game.

Radio: Akron-IMG Sports Network
Steve French (pbp), **Brad Detwiler** (analyst), **Joe Dunn** (sideline)
 WARF 1350 AM (flagship), WHK 1420 AM, WHKZ 1440 AM;
 iHeart Radio, TuneIn.com/Akron Zips
 ESPN Radio
Steve Levy (pbp), **Desmond Howard** (analyst), **Paul Carcaterra** (sideline)

Series History: This is the first meeting between Akron and Florida Atlantic.
Bowl History: This marks Akron's third bowl appearance and second in three seasons. The Zips played in the 2005 Motor City Bowl and the 2015 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl.

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MEDIA INFORMATION | EVENT & PRACTICE SCHEDULE

Friday, Dec. 15

6 p.m. Team Welcome Party | PGA National Resort & Spa

Saturday, Dec. 16

9:45-11 a.m. Team practice | Oxbridge Academy | West Palm Beach
[first 15 minutes open to media | interviews following practice]

3 p.m. Team Beach Party | Marriott Singer Island Beach Resort & Spa

Sunday, Dec. 17

9:45-11 a.m. Team practice | Oxbridge Academy | West Palm Beach
[first 15 minutes open to media | interviews following practice]

Monday, Dec. 18

9 a.m. Team Community Outreach | West Palm Beach VA Medical Center

10 a.m. Family Day | Lion Country Safari

Noon Kickoff Luncheon | Palm Beach County Convention Center

1:45 p.m. Joint Team Media Availability | Palm Beach Co. Convention Center

6 p.m. Team Pep Rally | CityPlace, West Palm Beach

Tuesday, Dec. 19

3 p.m. Built Ford Tough Fan Fest | FAU Stadium

4:30-6:30 p.m. Akron Fan Fest & Alumni Tailgate | FAU Stadium

5:30 p.m. Stadium Gates open

7 p.m. Cheribundi Tart Cherry Boca Raton Bowl kickoff | FAU Stadium

Postgame Postgame Press Conference

Subject to change.



2017 AKRON ZIPS

FOOTBALL

GAME NOTES



GAME 14 at FAU



117th Season | 63 All-Americans | 119 All-Conference Honorees | 16 NFL Draft Picks | 90 Zips in the Pros | MAC Champions (2005)
MAC EAST Division Titles (2000, 2005, 2017)

2017 AKRON SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	TV..... Result
9.2	at #6 Penn State	ABC..... L, 0-52
9.9	ARKANSAS PINE BLUFF	ESPN3..... W, 52-3
9.16	IOWA STATE	CBS-SN..... L, 14-41
9.23	at Troy	ESPN3..... L, 17-22
9.30	*at Bowling Green	ESPN3..... W, 34-23
10.7	*BALL STATE [Homecoming]	ESPN3..... W, 31-3
10.14	*at Western Michigan	stream..... W, 14-13
10.21	*at Toledo	ESPN3..... L, 21-48
10.28	*BUFFALO	CBS-SN..... W, 21-20
11.7	*at Miami (Ohio)	ESPN2..... L, 14-24
11.14	*OHIO	ESPN2..... W, 37-34
11.21	*KENT STATE	ESPNU..... W, 24-14
MAC Championship		
12.2	vs. Toledo	ESPN..... L, 28-45
Boca Raton Bowl		
12.19	at Florida Atlantic	ESPN..... 7 p.m.

Home games in **CAPS**

*Mid-American Conference game

QUICK FACTS

Location: Akron, Ohio 44325
Population: 200,000 (5th largest in Ohio)
Founded: 1870 as Buchtel College
Enrollment: 23,152
Nickname: Zips
Colors: Blue (282) & Gold (871)
Conference: Mid-American (East Division)
President: Matthew J. Wilson
Director of Athletics: Larry Williams
Faculty Athletics Representative: Dr. Deborah Owens
Athletics Dept. Phone: (330) 972-7080
Ticket Office: 1-888-99-AKRON (-25766)
Season of Football: 117th
All-Time Record: 518-538-36
All-Time MAC Record: 85-124 (26th yr.)
MAC Titles: 1 (2005)
MAC East Division Titles: 3 (2000, 2005, 2017)
NCAA D-I Bowl Games: 2 (2005 Motor City, 2015 Potato)
Stadium: InfoCision Stadium - Summa Field
Capacity: 30,000 [official sellout is 27,881]
Playing Surface: ProGrass
Record at InfoCision Stadium: 23-31 (9th season)
Press Box Phone: (330) 972-2913

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CHERIBUNDI BOCA RATON BOWL

Akron (7-6, 6-2 MAC)

at Florida Atlantic (10-3, 8-0 C-USA)

Tuesday, Dec. 19

FAU Stadium [29,419] | Boca Raton, Fla.

7 PM ET | ESPN



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ESPN

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ESPN Radio [national broadcast]

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HEAD COACHES

Lane Kiffin (Fresno State '98)

Overall Record: 35-24 (6th season)

Record at FAU: 10-3 (First season)

Terry Bowden (West Virginia '78)

Overall Record: 171-105-2 (24th season)

Record at Akron: 31-43 (6th season)

ALL-TIME SERIES

First Meeting

AKRON FOOTBALL HAS:

- Claimed its third MAC EAST title and first since 2005
- Won at least five games for five consecutive seasons [2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017]
- Claimed three consecutive victories in Wagon Wheel games [and four in the last five years]
- Opened the MAC season at 3-0 for the first time in program history
- Finished with six MAC victories (the most since joining the league in 1992) for the second time
- Appeared in its second MAC Championship game and first since 2005
- Accepted a bowl invitation for the second time in three seasons, a program first

2017 FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

ZIPS



AKRON MEDIA OPPORTUNITIES

Dec. 11-15 in Akron, OH

MONDAY

Coach & Player Interviews after practice 11 a.m.

TUESDAY

Coach & Player Interviews after practice 11 a.m.

Bowden Weekly Radio Show Noon

WEDNESDAY

Coach & Player Interviews after practice 11 a.m.

THURSDAY

Coach & Player Interviews after practice 11 a.m.

FRIDAY

Travel to Boca Raton, Fla. No media availability

See p. 2 for Florida itinerary

INTERVIEW REQUESTS

All interview requests for Akron players and coaches should be directed to Cathy Bongiovi (cathyb@uakron.edu) in Athletics Communications. Players are available on Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday and postgame only.

Media planning to attend post-practice interviews should notify Athletics Communications by 5 p.m. the day before.

WEEKLY MEDIA CONFERENCE

Terry Bowden's weekly media conference is held each week in the Team Room of Stile Field House (second floor).

2017 MEDIA GUIDE

Copies of Akron's 2017 football media guide are now available. It is also available in PDF on our website at www.GoZips.com.

CREDENTIALS

All requests for home games must be made through Athletics Communications.

GoZips.com

Twitter: @AkronZips | @ZipsFB | #GoZips | #ZipsGameday

Facebook: Facebook.com/AkronZips

Facebook.com/ZipsFB

YouTube: YouTube.com/ZipsAthletics

NCAA STATISTICAL COMPARISON

FLORIDA ATLANTIC [10-3]

Rank (average)	Category	AKRON [7-6] Rank (average)
14 (491.9)	Total Offense	117 (329.1)
6 (283.2)	Rushing Offense	117 (108.2)
81 (208.2)	Passing Offense	74 (220.9)
29 (146.74)	Passing Efficiency	88 (124.52)
9 (39.8)	Scoring Offense	102 (23.6)
78 (408.3)	Total Defense	98 (432.2)
67 (165.8)	Rushing Defense	99 (197.2)
27 (116.33)	Pass Efficiency Defense	63 (128.50)
44 (24.2)	Scoring Defense	60 (26.3)
7 (1.00)	Turnover Margin	16 (0.77)
9 (0.932)	Red Zone Offense	115 (0.742)
28 (0.783)	Red Zone Defense	25 (0.776)
15 (40.98)	Net Punting	103 (36.35)
63 (7.50)	Punt Returns	126 (2.00)
59 (21.45)	Kickoff Returns	115 (18.24)
28 (2.54)	Sacks	101 (1.62)
73 (5.7)	Tackles For Loss	87 (5.2)

A WIN WOULD GIVE AKRON:

- Its second bowl win and second in three years
- Its eighth victory of the 2017 season, second most in school history and tying the most in FBS play from 2015
- Its first win over Florida Atlantic

AKRON TO FACE FLORIDA ATLANTIC IN BOCA RATON BOWL

Akron will face Florida Atlantic in the Cheribundi Tart Cherry Boca Raton Bowl on Tuesday, Dec. 19, at 7 p.m. at FAU Stadium.

ESPN will televise the game with **Clay Matvick** (play-by-play), **Kirk Morrison** (analyst), and **Cole Cubelic** (sideline) calling the game.

The Zips' radio broadcast will air on the Akron-IMG Sports Network [SportsRadio 1350 AM (WARF) in Akron (flagship), 1420 WHK in Cleveland, 1440 WHKZ in Warren/Youngstown] with **Steve French** calling the action, **Brad Detwiler** providing analysis, and **Joe Dunn** with sideline report. The pre-game show starts one hour prior to kickoff. A free audio stream is available at SportsRadio1350.com, iHeart Radio, and TuneIn.com/AkronZips.

ESPN Radio will also provide a national broadcast with **Steve Levy** (play-by-play), **Desmond Howard** (analyst), and **Paul Carcaterra** (sideline) calling the game.

Under the guidance of sixth-year head coach **Terry Bowden**, Akron stands 7-6 overall following a 45-28 loss to Toledo in the MAC Championship game on Dec. 2. UA returns 57 lettermen, including 15 starters. The Zips utilize a spread offense and a 4-3 defense.

Senior RB **Manny Morgan** (Naples, Fla.) is the team's leading rusher with 393 yards and four touchdowns on 99 carries. Under center, redshirt freshman **Kato Nelson** (Hollywood, Fla.) is 61-of-125 for 909 yards and eight touchdowns. Redshirt senior WR **Tra'Von Chapman** (Cincinnati, Ohio) is the top receiver with 50 receptions for 456 yards and two touchdowns. Defensively, junior LB **Ulysees Gilbert III** (Ocala, Fla.) leads the Zips with 128 tackles, five sacks, five hurries, four break-ups, three interceptions, and a fumble recovery. Junior WR **Kwadarrius Smith** (Orlando, Fla.) is the Zips' scoring leader with seven touchdowns for 42 points.





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2017 OPPONENTS



PENN STATE Nittany Lions

10-2 overall | 7-2 Big Ten

Last: W, 66-3 at Maryland

Next: Fiesta Bowl vs. Washington



ARK PINE BLUFF Golden Lions

2-9 overall | 1-6 SWAC

Last: L, 10-24 vs. Texas Southern

Next: season complete



IOWA STATE Cyclones

7-5 overall | 5-4 Big 12

Last: L, 19-20 at Kansas State

Next: Liberty Bowl vs. Memphis



TROY Trojans

10-2 overall | 6-1 Sun Belt

Last: W, 32-25 vs. Arkansas St.

Next: New Orleans Bowl vs. North Texas



BOWLING GREEN Falcons

2-10 overall | 2-6 MAC

Last: L, 31-34 at Eastern Mich.

Next: season complete



BALL STATE Cardinals

2-10 overall | 0-8 MAC

Last: L, 7-28 vs. Miami

Next: season complete



WESTERN MICHIGAN Broncos

6-6 overall | 4-4 MAC

Last: L, 10-37 at Toledo

Next: season complete



TOLEDO Rockets

11-2 overall | 7-1 MAC

Last: W, 45-28 vs. Akron

Next: Dollar General Bowl vs. App. St.



BUFFALO Bulls

6-6 overall | 4-4 MAC

Last: W, 31-24 vs. Ohio

Next: season complete



MIAMI RedHawks

5-7 overall | 4-4 MAC

Last: W, 28-7 at Ball State

Next: season complete



OHIO Bobcats

8-4 overall | 5-3 MAC

Last: L, 24-31 at Buffalo

Next: Bahamas Bowl vs. UAB



Kent State Golden Flashes

2-10 overall | 1-7 MAC

Last: L, 14-24 at AKRON

Next: season complete

In the NCAA stats, Akron is No. 2 in interceptions (19), No. 7 in defensive touchdowns (4), No. 16 in turnover margin (0.77), and No. 25 in red zone defense (0.776). Individually, junior DB **Jordan George** (Dayton, Ohio) is No. 8 in interceptions (5), while junior LB **Ulysees Gilbert III** is ranked No. 18 in total tackles (9.8). Junior WR **Kwadarrius Smith** is No. 10 in yards per reception (21.35).

AKRON'S BOWL HISTORY

Since jumping to Division I-A (FBS) in 1987, the Zips have made just two prior bowl appearances. The 2005 squad, under head coach **J.D. Brookhart**, won the 2005 Mid-American Conference championship (with a 31-30 victory over Northern Illinois) and advanced to the Motor City Bowl at Ford Field in Detroit. The Zips, who finished the season at 7-6 overall (5-3 MAC, East Division champions), fell to Memphis 38-31 on Dec. 26, 2005.

In 2015, under head coach **Terry Bowden**, Akron made its second bowl appearance and captured its first FBS bowl victory with a 23-21 win over Utah State in the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl.

Prior to 1987, the Zips played Division I-AA (from 1980 to 1986) and Division II (from 1974 to 1979) football. Additional postseason play included the 1968 Grantland Rice Bowl [Louisiana Tech 33, Akron 13], the 1976 Division II Playoffs [Akron 27, UNLV 6], Knute Rockne Bowl [Akron 29, Northern Michigan 26 (ot)], Pioneer Bowl [Montana State 24, Akron 13]; and the 1985 Division I-AA Playoffs [Rhode Island 35, Akron 27].

SCOUTING FLORIDA ATLANTIC

The Owls, under the guidance of first-year head coach **Lane Kiffin**, stand 10-3 overall after a 41-17 win over North Texas in the Conference USA Championship game on Dec. 2. FAU went a perfect 8-0 in conference play. Florida Atlantic returns 31 letterwinners, including 16 starters, to its up tempo offensive and multiple defensive schemes.

Sophomore RB **Devin Singletary** is FAU's top rusher with 1,796 yards and the national leader with 29 touchdowns on 275 carries. Junior QB **Jason Driskel** is 166-of-253 for 1,977 yards and 13 touchdowns. Freshman WR **Willie Wright** is the top receiver with 586 yards and four touchdowns on 49 receptions. Defensively, junior LB **Azeez Al-Shaair** has 134 tackles, 8.5 TFL, four break-ups, four hurries, and a forced fumble.

In the NCAA stats, Florida Atlantic No. 1 in interceptions (20), No. 6 in rushing offense (283.2), No. 7 in turnover margin (1.00), No. 9 in first downs (311), No. 9 in red zone offense (0.932), and No. 9 in scoring offense (39.8). Sophomore RB **Devin Singletary** is No. 1 in rushing touchdowns (29) and scoring (13.8), No. 4 in rushing yards (1,796), and No. 4 in rushing yards per game (138.2). Junior S **Jalen Young** is No. 1 in total interceptions (7) and No. 3 in interceptions per game (0.5).

OPPONENT BOWL HISTORY

The Owls are making their third bowl appearance in their 17-year history. FAU played in the 2007 New Orleans Bowl [W, 44-27 vs. Memphis], the first year the Owls were eligible to participate in an FBS bowl, and in the 2008 Motor City Bowl [W, 24-21 vs. Central Michigan]. FAU is 2-0 in bowl play.

AKRON-FAU CONNECTIONS

Akron has 29 players from the state of Florida, including 12 from the greater South Florida area that were high school teammates with some of the Owls.

Florida Atlantic has no players from the state of Ohio.

AKRON AGAINST CONFERENCE USA

Over the years, Akron has faced six teams from Conference USA. Since Division I FBS play began in 1987, Akron is 5-9 against C-USA teams. The most recent contest was Akron's 65-38 win at Marshall on Sept. 17, 2016.





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MAC STANDINGS



[Dec. 3, 2017]

East Division	MAC	Pct.	Overall	Pct.
1. AKRON #	6-2	.750	7-6	.538
2. Ohio	5-3	.625	8-4	.667
3. Buffalo	4-4	.500	6-6	.500
Miami (Ohio)	4-4	.500	5-7	.417
5. Bowling Green	2-6	.250	2-10	.167
6. Kent State	1-7	.125	2-10	.167

West Division	MAC	Pct.	Overall	Pct.
1. Toledo #	7-1	.875	11-2	.846
2. Northern Illinois	6-2	.750	8-4	.667
Central Michigan	6-2	.750	8-4	.667
4. Western Michigan	4-4	.500	6-6	.500
5. Eastern Michigan	3-5	.275	5-7	.417
6. Ball State	0-8	.000	2-10	.167

Division champions

\$ MAC Champion

2017 MAC SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Dec. 19

Boca Raton Bowl
Akron vs. Florida Atlantic
FAU Stadium | Boca Raton, Fla.

7 p.m.

ESPN

Friday, Dec. 22

Bahamas Bowl
Ohio vs. UAB
Robinson Stadium | Nassau, Bahamas

12:30 p.m.

ESPN

Famous Idaho Potato Bowl
Central Michigan vs. Wyoming
Albertsons Stadium | Boise, Idaho

4 p.m.

ESPN

Saturday, Dec. 23

Dollar General Bowl
Toledo vs. Appalachian State
Ladd-Peebles Stadium | Mobile, Ala.

7 p.m.

ESPN

Tuesday, Dec. 26

Quick Lane Bowl
Northern Illinois vs. Duke
Ford Field | Detroit, Mich.

2:30 p.m.

ESPN

COMMON OPPONENTS

This season, both Akron and FAU played Buffalo. The Zips recorded a 21-20 home win in MAC play, while the Owls fell to the Bulls, 34-31, in New York.

AKRON-FLORIDA ATLANTIC: THE SERIES

The Cheribundi Tart Cherry Boca Raton Bowl is the first game between the schools on the gridiron.

AKRON STAFF IS BOWL EXPERIENCED

Strolling the Akron sidelines this fall is a very experienced coaching staff. Led by sixth-year head coach **Terry Bowden**, the Zips' coaching staff boasts 143 combined bowl appearances, including 34 bowl appearances by defensive coordinator Chuck Amato alone. All of the Zips' coaches are former college football players.

FOUR ZIPS EARN ALL-MAC HONORS

Four Akron football players earned Mid-American Conference honors for 2017. Earning first-team All-MAC recognition for the second consecutive year was junior LB **Ulysees Gilbert III**. Sophomore DB **Alvin Davis, Jr.** (Fort Lauderdale, Fla.) garnered second-team All-MAC honors. Redshirt senior WR **Tra'Von Chapman** and redshirt junior DE **Jamal Davis II** (Canton, Ohio) were third-team All-MAC honorees.

SMART COOKIES

Six Akron upperclassmen earned Academic All-MAC honors for achieving a 3.2+ GPA while playing in a majority of the games:

Warren Ball	Sr.	RB	Sport Administration	3.556	Columbus, Ohio
Nathan Bischof	Jr.	LB	Sport Management	3.319	Akron, Ohio
Kyle Foster	Jr.	H/P	Sport Management	3.214	Parkersburg, W.Va.
John Lako	So.	LB	Business Management	3.438	Monroe, Mich.
Xavier Quigley	Sr.	OL	Sport Studies/Coaching	3.252	Ankeny, Iowa
Anthony Young	Sr.	WR	Intervention/Sp. Ed.	3.540	Medina, Ohio

BALL NAMED TO COSIDA ALL-DISTRICT ACADEMIC TEAM

Senior RB **Warren Ball** (Columbus, Ohio) was named to the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) Academic All-District 5 football team. He earned a bachelor's degree in sports industry from Ohio State in spring 2016 before transferring to Akron. He is pursuing a master's degree in sport administration and sports a 3.56 grade-point average.

DECEMBER POMP & CIRCUMSTANCE

Prior to leaving for the bowl, 14 Zips participated in graduation ceremonies. Earning their bachelor degrees were LS **Michael Buddenberg** (marketing), WR **A.J. Coney** (sport management), OL **LaVonne Gauthney** (sport management), PK **Zach Gingerich** (criminology/law enforcement), WR **Kevin Gladney** (sport management), LS **Hayden Grover** (public relations), S **Zach Guiser** (exercise science/pre-physical therapy), CB **Mikee Hayes** (organizational supervision), DE **Michael Kish** (exercise science), OL **Cedric McCoy** (criminal justice), RB **Manny Morgan** (organizational supervision), OL **Xavier Quigley** (sport studies/education), and WR **Austin Wolf** (marketing management). RB **Warren Ball** earned a master's degree in education/sport science.

Six Zips started the season with their bachelor's degrees in hand already: RB **Warren Ball** (sports industry), WR **Tra'Von Chapman** (sport management), OL **Nick Fazio** (mechanical engineering), LB **Andrew Hauser** (sport management), QB **Robbie Kelley** (business management), and TE **Mykel Traylor-Bennett** (organizational supervision). The seven Zips ranked 10th nationally with players with degrees. Northwestern leads the country with 18 graduated players on its roster.





NATIONAL POLLS

[Dec. 3]

Assoc. Press Writers' Poll	Rank	Amway Coaches' Poll
Clemson (43)	1	Clemson (49)
Oklahoma (18)	2	Oklahoma (10)
Georgia	3	Georgia
Alabama	4	Alabama
Ohio State	5	Ohio State
Wisconsin	6	Wisconsin
Auburn	7	USC
USC	8	Auburn
Penn State	9	Penn State
UCF	10	UCF
Miami	11	Miami
Washington	12	Washington
TCU	13	TCU
Notre Dame	14	Louisiana State
Stanford	15	Notre Dame
Louisiana State	16	Stanford
Oklahoma State	17	Oklahoma State
Michigan State	18	Memphis
Memphis	19	Michigan State
Northwestern	20	Northwestern
Washington State	21	Washington State
Virginia Tech	22	Virginia Tech
South Florida	23	Mississippi State
Mississippi State	24	South Florida
Boise State	25	Boise State

Associated Press Writers' Poll

Also Receiving Votes: NC State 54, San Diego State 40, **Toledo** 25, Louisville 11, Michigan 8, Florida Atlantic 8, Fresno State 6, Missouri 3, Kansas State 1, **Troy** 1.

Amway Coaches' Poll:

ARV: NC State 54, San Diego State 50, Florida Atlantic 24, **Toledo** 21, **Troy** 11, Michigan 11, Fresno State 5, Louisville 4, South Carolina 4.

2017 Akron opponents in **Bold**

HEAD COACH TERRY BOWDEN

In his sixth season at Akron, head coach **Terry Bowden** is the dean of the Mid-American Conference coaches with the most career wins (171).

AMONG MID-AMERICAN CONFERENCE COACHES

1. TERRY BOWDEN, AKRON	171
2. Frank Solich, Ohio	155
3. Chris Creighton, EMU	153
4. Lance Leipold, Buffalo	122
5. Chuck Martin, Miami	90
6. Rod Carey, NIU	44
7. John Bonamego, CMU	21
8. Jason Candle, Toledo	20
9. Paul Haynes, Kent State	14
10. Mike Neu, Ball State	6
Mike Jinks, BGSU	6
Tim Lester, WMU	6

AMONG ACTIVE DIVISION I COACHES

(Minimum five years as FBS head coach; record at four-year colleges only)

1. Brian Kelly, Notre Dame	239
2. Nick Saban, Alabama	216
3. Bill Snyder, Kansas State	209
4. Paul Johnson, Georgia Tech	182
5. Urban Meyer, Ohio State	176
6. TERRY BOWDEN, AKRON	171
7. Mark Richt, Miami [Fla.]	164
8. Rich Rodriguez, Arizona	163
9. Gary Patterson, TCU	159
10. Kirk Ferentz, Iowa	154

SENIOR STATUS

Prior to the home finale with Kent State, Akron honored the 25 members of its Senior Class- RB **Warren Ball**, WR **Fransohn Bickley**, LS **Michael Buddenberg**, DL **Ibrahima Camara**, WR **Tra'Von Chapman**, DL **Darius Copeland**, WR **A.J. Coney**, OL **Stephen Ericksen**, OL **LaVonne Gauthney**, P/K **Zach Gingerich**, WR **Kevin Gladney**, LS **Hayden Grover**, S **Zach Guiser**, LB **Andrew Hauser**, CB **Mikee Hayes**, LB **Tony Jones**, DE **Michael Kish**, OL **Jovann Letuli**, OL **Cedric McCoy**, DE **Deon'Tae Moore**, RB **Manny Morgan**, OL **Xavier Quigley**, WR **Austin Wolf**, QB **Thomas Woodson**, and WR **Anthony Young**.

This is the second five-year graduating class to play under head coach **Terry Bowden** at Akron. During their collegiate careers, they've been a part of the re-building process, helping the Zips to at least five wins each of the last four seasons. The 2017 seniors may become just the second class to graduate with a winning record in FBS play. They currently stand 25-24 over the last three-plus season [2014: 5-7; 2015: 8-5; 2016: 5-7; 2017: 7-5]. Four of the seniors have already earned their undergraduate degrees and are pursuing master's degrees.

The Zips became bowl eligible for the second time in three seasons, a program first. With the win over Kent State, the Zips claimed their third MAC East title and their first since 2005, as well as a third consecutive Wagon Wheel victory.

Individually, the Zips have re-written the record books and climbed the career charts while racking up weekly honors. Off the field, they've represented UA in the community with several activities, including game week visits to Akron Children's Hospital. Congratulations, Seniors!

LAST GAME

The University of Akron football team could not overcome a 28-0 halftime deficit and fell to Toledo, 45-28, in the 2017 Mid-American Conference championship game before 16,225 fans on Dec. 2 at Ford Field.

For the Zips, Nelson went 8-of-18 for 177 yards and two touchdowns, while Woodson was 5-of-14 for 35 yards. Smith led the receivers with 114 yards and a touchdown on three receptions, while Morgan led the rushing efforts with 51 yards and a touchdown on 11 carries. Gilbert and George led Akron with 10 tackles apiece.

For the Rockets, Woodside, the Player of the Game, went 23-of-37 for 307 yards and four touchdowns.





2017 HONORS

RB **Warren Ball**

CoSIDA Academic All-District 5 Team
Captain's Award
Academic All-MAC
Preseason fourth-team All-MAC by *Athlon Sports*
Ranked #22 nationally on SI's Freaks List

LB **Nathan Bischof**

CoSIDA Academic All-America nominee
Academic All-MAC

DL **Brock Boxen**

John Heisman Unsung Hero Award (defense)

CB **Kyron Brown**

Harry "Doc" Smith Award
MAC Defensive Player of the Week, 10/2/17

OL **Trevor Brown**

Harry "Doc" Smith Award

CB **Hugh Cade**

Scout Team Player of the Year (defense)

WR **Tra'Von Chapman**

Third-team All-MAC
Harry "Doc" Smith Award

WR **A.J. Coney**

Team's Offensive MVP
Captain's Award
Wuerffel Trophy Watch List

DL **Darius Copeland**

Preseason fourth-team All-MAC by *Athlon Sports*

DB **Alvin Davis, Jr.**

Second-team All-MAC
Harry "Doc" Smith Award

DE **Jamal Davis II**

Third-team All-MAC

RB **Van Edwards**

Preseason third-team All-MAC (KR) by *Athlon Sports*
Preseason third-team All-MAC (KR)
by *College Sports Madness*

POSTGAME NOTES

- The game was Akron's second appearance in the MAC Championship game and first since 2005. The Zips stand 1-3 overall at Ford Field (1-1 in MAC Championship games, 0-1 in 2005 bowl game).
- Redshirt freshman QB **Kato Nelson** started the game. He went 8-of-18 for 177 yards and two touchdowns.
- Junior DB **Jordan George** (Dayton, Ohio) intercepted the ball in the fourth quarter, leading to a UA touchdown on the very next play. It was George's sixth interception of his career and his fifth this season.
- Redshirt junior QB **Robbie Kelley** (Springfield, Ill.) threw a five-yard touchdown pass in the fourth quarter, his second as a Zip.

THE ZIPS ARE UNDEFEATED

This season, Akron has an undefeated record in games when leading at the half (7-0), when scoring 30+ points (4-0), in games decided by 3 points or less (2-0), when holding the opponent to nine points or less (2-0). The Zips are also undefeated when wearing blue jerseys (5-0) and gold helmets (2-0). Conversely, Akron has not won a game when trailing at the half (0-6).

BANQUET HONORS

Prior to departing for the 2017 Cheribundi Tart Cherry Boca Raton Bowl this week, the University of Akron football program celebrated the 2017 season with its annual awards banquet on Dec. 10 at Quaker Station in downtown Akron.

Senior WR **A.J. Coney** (Orlando, Fla.) was named the outstanding offensive performer and special teams player of the year, while junior LB **Ulysees Gilbert III** was named the outstanding defensive performer for the second consecutive season.

Junior P **Nick Gasser** (Liberty Township, Ohio) was selected as the special teams player of the year.

Seniors Coney, RB **Warren Ball**, and S **Zach Guiser**, who were selected as team captains for the 2017 season by their teammates, earned the coaches' captain's award.

SEASON-ENDING INJURIES

While the Zips have been relatively healthy this season (compared to last fall), Akron has lost five players to season-ending injuries: senior RB **Warren Ball** (broken leg), redshirt freshman LB **DeMarkus Glover** (shoulder), senior S **Zach Guiser** (concussion), sophomore RB **Deltron Sands** (broken leg), and senior WR **Anthony Young** (shoulder). Senior TE/WR **Mykel Traylor-Bennett** suffered a knee injury in the spring game and missed action this fall. He plans to return next season.

ZIPS QUICK HITS

- The players elected seniors RB **Warren Ball**, WR **A.J. Coney**, and S **Zach Guiser** as team captains for the 2017 season.
- Six of Akron's 2017 opponents— Penn State (Rose), Troy (Dollar General), Western Michigan (Cotton), Toledo (Camelia), Miami (St. Petersburg), and Ohio (Dollar General)— participated in bowls in 2016.
- Seven of Akron's 2017 opponents— Penn State (Fiesta), Iowa State (Liberty), Troy (New Orleans), Western Michigan, Toledo (Dollar General), Ohio (Bahamas), and Buffalo— were bowl eligible this fall.
- Since 1979, Akron has faced 29 nationally ranked teams, going 1-28. The Zips' sole victory was a 34-20 win over No. 25 Marshall at the Rubber Bowl on Nov. 2, 2002.
- Akron has 46 student-athletes on its roster from the state of Ohio; 33 of those live within a 30-mile radius to campus.





2017 HONORS

OL **Stephen Ericksen**

John Heisman Unsung Hero Award (offense)

H/P **Kyle Foster**

Academic All-MAC

Preseason Mortell Holder of the Year candidate

P/PK **Nick Gasser**

Team's Special Teams Player of the Year

MAC Special Teams Player of the Week,
10/9/17, 10/30/17, 11/20/17, 11/27/17

OL **LaVonne Gauthney**

Rimington Trophy Watch List

CB **Jordan George**

MAC Defensive Player of the Week

by *College Sports Madness*, 10/30/17

LB **Ulysees Gilbert III**

Bronko Nagurski Trophy Watch List

First-team All-MAC

Team's Defensive MVP

Captain's Award

MAC Defensive Player of the Week, 9/11/17, 11/27/17

Summa Health Student-Athlete of the Week,
9/11/17, 10/16/17

Preseason MAC Defensive Player of the Year

by *College Sports Madness*

Preseason first-team All-MAC by *Athlon Sports*

Preseason first-team All-MAC

by *College Sports Madness*

S **Zach Guiser**

Team's Academic Award

Wuerffel Trophy Watch List

Campbell Trophy Semifinalist

NFF National Scholar-Athlete Candidate

Preseason fourth-team All-MAC by *Athlon Sports*

Preseason third-team All-MAC by *College Sports Madness*

LB **Andrew Hauser**

Burlsworth Trophy nominee

Harry "Doc" Smith Award

MAC Defensive Player of the Week, 10/8/17

by *College Sports Madness*

LB **John Lako**

CoSIDA Academic All-America nominee

Academic All-MAC

Team's Academic Award

OFFENSE

NELSON TAKES OVER AT QUARTERBACK

Three-star recruit **Kato Nelson** (Hollywood, Fla.) redshirted last year while learning under three-year starter Thomas Woodson. At No. 6 Penn State, Nelson saw action in the second half. He went 1-of-2 for 11 yards while leading all Zips in rushing with 39 yards on nine carries. In the 52-3 win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, Nelson was 1-of-3 for six yards. Against Iowa State, he went 2-for-4 for 53 yards while rushing for eight yards. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, Nelson went 1-for-1 for 15 yards and rushed for 27 yards. In the win over Ball State, he was 1-of-1 for 38 yards while rushing for 11 yards. In his first collegiate start at Miami, Nelson went 19-of-38 for 218 yards and a touchdown. He also rushed for 12 yards and a touchdown. Both touchdowns were career firsts. In his second career start in as many weeks, Nelson went 22-of-38 for a career-high 322 yards and career-best four touchdowns while guiding the Zips to a 37-34 win over Ohio to stay atop the MAC East standings. In the 24-14 win over Kent State, Nelson went 6-of-20 for 69 yards and a 25-yard touchdown pass while guiding the Zips to the MAC East title. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, Nelson started the game. He went 8-of-18 for 177 yards and two touchdowns.

In nine games, Nelson is 61-of-125 for 909 yards and eight touchdowns. He has rushed 81 times for 177 yards and a touchdown.

Senior QB **Thomas Woodson** returned to lead the Zips for the fourth consecutive season following off-season shoulder surgery. He started the first nine games before Nelson took over. In the season opener at No. 6 Penn State, Woodson went 12-of-23 for 71 yards. With his 71 yards, Woodson moved up to No. 4 on UA's career chart in passing yards, surpassing Kyle Pohl (5,128 yards). He is also No. 3 in career passing TDs (39). In the 52-3 win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, Woodson went 15-of-20 for 166 yards and a touchdown. He also rushed for 16 yards. Against Iowa State, he went 25-of-40 for 240 yards and two touchdowns. With his two passing TDs, Woodson moved into second place on Akron's career list for passing touchdowns with 42, surpassing Luke Getsy (2005-06) who had 41. At Troy, Woodson went 20-of-40 for 268 yards and a touchdown. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, Woodson rushed for an 11-yard touchdown in the third quarter to give UA a 27-23 lead. The rushing TD was the fourth of Woodson's career and his first since 2015. Woodson went 13-of-24 for 168 yards and two touchdowns. In the win over Ball State, he threw for 211 yards and two touchdowns on 17-of-30. In the win at Western Michigan, Woodson went 13-of-24 for 127 yards and a touchdown. At Toledo, he went 18-of-33 for 205 yards and two touchdowns. In the win over Buffalo, Woodson went 21-of-29 for a season-high 286 yards and three touchdowns en route to MAC Player of the Week honors. Woodson was suspended for the Miami and Ohio games for a violation of team rules. He did not play against Kent State. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, Woodson saw his first action since the win against Buffalo. He finished 5-of-14 for 35 yards.

After 10 games, Woodson is 159-of-278 for 1,777 yards and 14 touchdowns. With his 286 passing yards in the win over Buffalo, Woodson moved into second place on the Akron career list. He now has 6,864 passing yards, surpassing **James Washington** (1997-00) who had 6,699 yards. Woodson stands No. 2 in career passing TDs (53).

Redshirt junior **Robbie Kelley** (Springfield, Ill.) competes as a graduate student after earning his degree in three years at Quincy (Ill.) University. The three-time Academic All-Great Lakes Valley Conference honoree earned second-team All-Conference honors last fall after going 185-of-319 for 2,701 yards and 23 touchdowns in his first season as a starter. At No. 6 Penn State, Kelley went 0-of-2 in his only series of action. In the 52-3 win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, he was 1-of-2 for 25 yards. Kelley saw action in the fourth quarter against Ball State, but threw no passes. At Toledo, Kelley went 5-of-7 for 86 yards and a touchdown, his first as a Zip, a career-long 47-yard pass to WR Kwadarrius Smith in the fourth quarter. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, Kelley threw a five-yard touchdown pass in the fourth quarter, his second as a Zip.

In six games, Kelley is 11-of-20 for 182 yards and two touchdowns.





2017 HONORS

S Vince Lockett

Team's Academic Award

RB Manny Morgan

Iron ZIP Award

RB Myran Mounds

Scout Team Player of the Year (offense)

QB Kato Nelson

Harry "Doc" Smith Award

MAC Offensive Player of the Week, 11/20/17

PK Tom O'Leary

Preseason third-team All-MAC by *Athlon Sports*

Preseason third-team All-MAC by *College Sports Madness*

OL Xavier Quigley

Academic All-MAC

OL Kyle Ritz

Harry "Doc" Smith Award

Preseason third-team All-MAC by *Athlon Sports*

QB Alex Ramart

Rise & Shine Award

DE Justin Sampson

Harry "Doc" Smith Award

OL Austin Sample

Team's Academic Award

WR Kwadarrius Smith

Red Blair Award as top scorer

WR Austin Wolf

Harry "Doc" Smith Award

Preseason fourth-team All-MAC by *Athlon Sports*

QB Thomas Woodson

MAC Offensive Player of the Week, 10/30/17

Preseason fourth-team All-MAC by *Athlon Sports*

WR Anthony Young

CoSIDA Academic All-America nominee

Academic All-MAC

Redshirt sophomore **Nick Johns** (Leesburg, Va.), a three-star JUCO recruit, spent the 2016 season at Northwestern Oklahoma A&M Junior College. He went 178-of-306 for 2,243 yards and 16 touchdowns in 10 games. At No. 6 Penn State, Johns played one series, going 1-of-2 for four yards. Since the Iowa State game, he has seen action on the kickoff return unit.

BALL SUFFERS SEASON-ENDING INJURY

Hopes were high as running back **Warren Ball** returned to the Zips' line-up this fall as a redshirt senior, earning a sixth year from the NCAA. The transfer from Ohio State had played behind NFL Draft picks **Ezekiel Elliott** (Dallas) and **Carlos Hyde** (San Francisco). The captain suffered a broken ankle at Bowling Green and will miss the rest of the season.

In five games, Ball rushed for 332 yards and four touchdowns on 75 carries.

FAMILIAR BACKFIELD

Senior **Manny Morgan** (Naples, Fla.), who finished second in rushing in 2016 with 417 yards on 81 carries, had three carries for 13 yards at No. 6 Penn State. In the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, Morgan had four carries for 10 yards. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, he had 11 carries for 50 yards. In the win over Ball State, Morgan rushed for 43 yards on eight carries. In the win at Western Michigan, he led the rushers with 53 yards and a touchdown on 12 carries. His one-yard rushing touchdown on a direct snap in the second quarter was his second career touchdown and his first score this fall. At Toledo, Morgan had nine carries for 15 yards. In the win over Buffalo, he had 16 yards on six carries. At Miami, Morgan was the Zips' top rusher with 41 yards on 10 carries. Morgan led the Zips with 14 carries for 55 yards and a touchdown in the win over Ohio. In the win over Kent State, he had 46 yards and a touchdown on 11 carries. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, Morgan led the Zips with 51 yards and a touchdown on 11 carries.

After 13 games, Morgan is the top rusher with 393 yards and four touchdowns on 99 carries.

Junior **Van Edwards** (Cape Coral, Fla.) moved into a starting role in 2016 after Ball went down. He was the Zips' top rusher with 492 yards and three touchdowns on 100 carries in 2016. At No. 6 Penn State, he had five carries. In the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, Edwards rushed nine times for 47 yards and a touchdown. Against Iowa State, he had four carries for 16 yards. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, Edwards led the rushers with 14 carries for 70 yards and a touchdown. In the win over Ball State, he had 19 yards on seven carries. In the win at Western Michigan, Edwards rushed 13 times for 38 yards. At Toledo, he led the Zips with nine carries for 25 yards. At Miami, Edwards had a 13-yard reception. In the win over Ohio, he had four carries for 21 yards. In the win over Kent State, Edwards led the Zips with 55 yards on nine carries. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, he had 46 yards on 10 carries.

After 13 games, Edwards has 343 yards and two touchdowns on 94 carries.

In just his second game, the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, redshirt sophomore RB **Deltron Sands** (Fort Lauderdale, Fla.) saw significant action. He finished third in rushing with seven carries for 38 yards and his first collegiate touchdown. In the win over Ball State, Sands put UA ahead 14-3 in the second quarter with his 32-yard touchdown run. The TD was his second on the season. He led the UA rushers with six carries for a career-high 52 yards. At Toledo, Sands had three carries for 10 yards. In the win over Buffalo, he was the top rusher with seven carries for a career-high 70 yards. At Miami, Sands made his first appearance in the starting line-up. He left the game in the first quarter with a season-ending injury. In 10 games, Sands had 173 yards and two touchdowns on 25 carries.

NEW RECEIVING CORPS

With the graduation of senior All-MAC honoree **JoJo Natson** and junior All-MAC **Jerome Lane's** early departure to the NFL, the Zips' receiving corps have re-loaded.

Senior **Austin Wolf** (Lebanon, Ohio) returned as the most experienced receiver. He finished 2016 third in receiving, behind Lane and Natson, with 36 receptions for 550 yards and five touchdowns.





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CURRENT STREAKS

Games Started	14	15	16	17	Total
OL Kyle Ritz, Jr.		5	12	13	31
QB Thomas Woodson, Sr.	2	10	8	9	29
OL Stephen Ericksen, Sr.		1	12	13	26
LB Ulysees Gilbert, Jr.		-	12	13	25
S Zach Guiser, Sr.	-	13	8	3	24
OL Jovann Letuli, Sr.		-	11	13	24
WR Austin Wolf, Sr.		-	12	10	22
LB Brian Bell, Jr.		-	10	10	20
DL Brock Boxen, Jr.		2	6	12	20
CB Alvin Davis, So.			7	12	19
LB Andrew Hauser, Sr.			6	13	19
OL LaVonne Gauthney, Sr.	-	3	11	4	18
WR A.J. Coney, Sr.		3	3	12	18
DL Ibrahima Camara, Sr.			5	10	15
DT Darius Copeland, Sr.		-	12	4	16
CB Kyrion Brown, Jr.			1	13	14
OL Trevor Brown, So.			1	13	14
DB Jordan George, Jr.			5	8	13
DL Brian Reinke, Jr.				13	13
WR Tra'Von Chapman, Sr.		3	3	6	12
CB Darian Dailey, R-Jr.				12	12
TE Newman Williams, Jr.		2	5	4	11
RB Van Edwards, Jr.			7	3	10

Consecutive Games Started	15	16	17	Total
OL Stephen Ericksen, Sr.	-	12	13	25
LB Ulysees Gilbert, Jr.	-	12	13	25
OL Kyle Ritz, Jr.	-	12	13	25
S Zach Guiser, Sr.	13	8	3	24
OL Jovann Letuli, Sr.	-	11	13	24

100-Yard Rushing Games

Warren Ball (2016-17)	3
vs. VMI, 9/3/16	110
vs. Arkansas Pine Bluff, 9/9/17	146
at Troy, 9/23/17	112

Van Edwards (2015-present)	1
at Ball State, 10/22/16	112

Manny Morgan (2015-present)	1
at Marshall, 9/17/16	130

100-Yard Receiving Games

Kwadarrius Smith (2016-present)	3
at Troy, 9/23/17	103
vs. Ohio, 11/14/17	132
vs. Toledo, 12/2/17	114

100-Yard Kickoff Return Games

Van Edwards (2016)	1
at Kent State, 10/2/16	156

Wolf missed the first two games with a minor injury. He saw limited action against Iowa State. At Troy, Wolf returned to the starting line-up for the first time this fall. He led the receivers with six receptions for 71 yards. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, Wolf scored his first touchdown of the season on a 43-yard pass from Thomas Woodson. It marked Wolf's first touchdown this season and the ninth of his career. Wolf finished the game with three receptions for 68 yards. In the win over Ball State, he put UA on the scoreboard in the first quarter with a 24-yard touchdown reception. It marked the 10th TD of his career and his second this fall. Wolf finished with four receptions for 57 yards. At Toledo, he had four receptions for 44 yards. In the win over Buffalo, Wolf scored on a 41-yard pass to put Akron ahead in the second quarter. He finished with two receptions for 52 yards. At Miami, Wolf had three receptions for 45 yards. In the win over Ohio, he had five catches for 57 yards, including a 23-yard touchdown reception. In the win over Kent State, Wolf had a 15-yard reception. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, he had two receptions for 41 yards and a touchdown.

In 11 games, Wolf has 450 yards and five touchdowns on 30 receptions.

Redshirt senior **Tra'Von Chapman** (Cincinnati, Ohio) moved from throwing the ball to catching the ball during spring drills. In nine games (with three starts) at quarterback in 2016, Chapman was 54-of-117 for 700 yards and five touchdowns while rushing 48 times for 195 yards and four touchdowns.

In his new role, Chapman led all receivers with three catches for 10 yards at No. 6 Penn State. In the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, he led the receivers with five receptions for 55 yards. Against Iowa State, Chapman led the receivers with a career-high eight receptions for 53 yards. At Troy, he had four receptions for 30 yards. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, Chapman had two receptions for 23 yards. In the win over Ball State, he had 23 yards on three receptions. In the win at Western Michigan, Chapman had a 14-yard reception. At Toledo, he caught a 17-yard touchdown pass in the fourth quarter. The TD was Chapman's first as a receiver (this season). He led the Zips with a career-high 70 yards on six receptions. In the win over Buffalo, he had five receptions for 66 yards. At Miami, Chapman had three receptions for 33 yards and a touchdown. His 30-yard touchdown reception in the fourth quarter was his second receiving touchdown this fall. In the win over Ohio, Chapman led UA with seven receptions for 58 yards. In the win over Kent State, he had a 13-yard reception. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, he had two receptions for eight yards.

After 13 games, Chapman is the Zips' top receiver with 50 receptions for 456 yards and two touchdowns.

Stepping up and making big plays is redshirt senior **A.J. Coney** (Orlando, Fla.) who had 15 receptions for 173 yards and a touchdown in 2016. At No. 6 Penn State, Coney made two receptions for 25 yards. In the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, he scored his first TD of the season and second of his career with a 15-yard pass. Against Iowa State, Coney had four receptions for 52 yards. At Troy, he had three receptions for 35 yards. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, Coney caught a four-yard touchdown pass in the first quarter to put UA on the scoreboard. It was the third touchdown of his career and second this season. Coney led the UA receivers with five receptions for 42 yards and a touchdown. In the win over Ball State, Coney led the receivers with six receptions for 90 yards. In the win at Western Michigan, he led the UA receivers with three catches for 38 yards. At Toledo, Coney had three receptions for 24 yards. In the win over Buffalo, he led the receivers with a career-high 91 yards on a career-high seven receptions. At Miami, Coney had two receptions for 36 yards. In the win over Ohio, he had only one reception, a 16-yard touchdown in the first quarter. In the win over Kent State, Coney had a 12-yard reception. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, he had two receptions for 23 yards.

After 13 games, Coney is second in receiving with 41 receptions for 523 yards and three touchdowns.

Redshirt junior **Kwadarrius Smith** (Orlando, Fla.) had two receptions for 23 yards at No. 6 Penn State. In the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, Smith had four receptions for 38 yards. Against Iowa State, Smith put UA on the scoreboard with a 45-yard TD reception in the second quarter. The touchdown was Smith's first this season and the second of his career. It was also his longest career reception. He finished the game with three receptions for a career-high 76 yards and a touchdown. At Troy, Smith had a 29-yard touchdown reception in the third quarter. It marked his third collegiate touchdown. He fin-





CAREER RECORD WATCH

Passing Yards

1.	Charlie Frye (2001-04)	11,049
2.	Thomas Woodson (2014-present)	6,864
3.	James Washington (1997-00)	6,699
4.	Luke Getsy (2005-06)	6,117
5.	Kyle Pohl (2012-15)	5,128

Touchdown Passes

1.	Charlie Frye (2001-04)	64
2.	Thomas Woodson (2014-present)	53
3.	Luke Getsy (2005-06)	41

Games Played

1.	Alex Allen (2005, 07-10)	51
2.	Michael Buddenberg (2014-present)	50
	I. Davis C. Grice Z. Paul R. Stein (2012-15)	
3.	13 players tied	48
	Austin Wolf (2014-present)	41
	Thomas Woodson (2014-present)	39

SEASON RECORD WATCH

TEAM

Wins in a Season

1.	10	[Division II] 1976
2.	8	[Division I-AA] 1983, 1985
	8*	[Division I, FBS] 2015
	7	2017

Passing Touchdowns

1.	30	2012
2.	25	2016
3.	24	2005, 2017
4.	22	2003

INDIVIDUAL

Touchdown Passes

1.	Dalton Williams (2012)	25
2.	Luke Getsy (2005)	23
3.	Charlie Frye (2003)	22
4.	Chris Jacquemain (2008)	20
5.	Three players tied	18
	Thomas Woodson (2014-present)	14

ished the game with a career-high four receptions for a career-high 103 yards. It marked the first 100-yard receiving performance of his career. Smith had a 15-yard reception in the MAC win at Bowling Green. In the win over Ball State, Smith had three receptions for 74 yards and a 21-yard touchdown. In the win at Western Michigan, he had two receptions for 10 yards. At Toledo, Smith had 47-yard touchdown reception from QB Robbie Kelley. He finished the game with 72 yards on three receptions. At Miami, Smith led the receivers with a career-high six receptions for 69 yards. In the win over Ohio, he had 71-yard touchdown reception in the second quarter, the longest reception of his collegiate career. In the second quarter, Smith had a 54-yard TD reception, marking his first multi-touchdown game. He finished the game with three receptions for 132 yards, marking his second 100-yard receiving performance, and two touchdowns. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, Smith led the Zips with 114 yards and a touchdown on three receptions, marking his third 100-yard receiving performance.

After 13 games, Smith is third in receiving with 34 receptions for a team-high 726 yards and a team-best seven touchdowns. He averages 21.4 yards per reception and 55.8 yards per game. Smith is the Zips' scoring leader with 42 points.

Senior **Fransohn Bickley** (Akron, Ohio) returned to the starting line-up. He had two receptions for 21 yards at No. 6 Penn State. Against Iowa State, Bickley had two catches for 32 yards. In the win at Western Michigan, he had two receptions for 27 yards. At Toledo, Bickley had three catches for 41 yards. In the win over Buffalo, Bickley's 23-yard touchdown in the first quarter was his first score this fall and his first TD for the Zips since the 2013 season. He finished with two receptions for 37 yards.

Senior **Anthony Young** (Medina, Ohio). In the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, Young had three receptions for 26 yards.

Against Iowa State, redshirt senior **Kevin Gladney** (Akron, Ohio) had three receptions for 18 yards. In the win over Buffalo, his 36-yard touchdown in the fourth quarter was the first TD of his collegiate career and the game winner.

Tight ends/H-backs looking to contribute include junior **Newman Williams** (Akron, Ohio) and redshirt sophomore **Brandon Junk** (Clearwater, Fla.). Senior **Mykel Traylor-Bennett** (Columbus, Ohio) will miss the season with an injury. Williams had a two-yard reception at No. 6 Penn State. Junk had a 10-yard catch in the win over UAPB.

True freshman TE **Kobie Booker** (Barberton, Ohio) made his first collegiate start in the win at Western Michigan. He put Akron on the scoreboard in the first quarter with a 13-yard touchdown reception for his first collegiate touchdown. At Toledo, Booker notched another touchdown. He put Akron on the scoreboard in the second quarter with his second career touchdown, a 25-yard pass from Thomas Woodson. In the win over Kent State, Booker scored a 25-yard touchdown reception from QB Kato Nelson. It marked Booker's third TD reception this fall and his longest to date. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, Booker had two receptions for 14 yards and a touchdown.

EXPERIENCED O-LINE PROVIDES PROTECTION

What a difference a year makes! Five new starters took the line to start the 2016 with a combined nine total starts. This fall, four of five linemen return to their starting roles, led by junior RG **Kyle Ritz** (Willoughby, Ohio), who has started 31 career games. Other starters returning include senior C **LaVonne Gauthney** (Reynoldsburg, Ohio), senior LG **Stephen Erickson** (Sherrodsville, Ohio), and senior RT **Jovann Letuli** (San Diego, Calif.). New to the starting line-up is sophomore LT **Trevor Brown** (Clinton, Md.).

The offensive line provided perfect protection in the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, helping UA to 267 rushing yards and five touchdowns, and in the win over Ohio, helping the Zips to 443 yards of total offense and four passing touchdowns while securing Akron's top spot in the MAC East.

In the win over Ohio, Gauthney saw action on the kickoff return unit. While he was supposed to block, the senior actually made an eight-yard return, his first.





2017 ZIPS UNDER TERRY BOWDEN

At home	5-1
On the road	2-4
At neutral sites.....	0-1
On television (live)	6-6
In non-televised games.....	1-0
On natural grass	0-1
On artificial surface.....	7-5
In day games	3-3
In night games (6 p.m.+)	4-3
When winning coin toss.....	2-4
When opponent wins toss.....	5-2
In overtime games	0-0
In games decided by 3 pts or less.....	2-0
In games decided by 7 pts or less	0-1
In September.....	2-3
In October.....	3-1
In November	2-1
In December.....	0-1
Against ranked opponents	0-1
Against non-ranked opponents.....	7-5
Coming off a win	3-4
Coming off a loss.....	4-2
When scoring first	5-2
When opponent scores first	2-4
When leading at the half	7-0
When trailing at the half	0-6
When tied at the half	0-0
When scoring 0-9 points.....	0-1
When opp. scores 0-9 pts.....	2-0
When scoring 10-19 points.....	1-3
When opp. scores 10-19 pts.....	2-0
When scoring 20-29 points.....	2-3
When opp. scores 20-29 pts.....	2-1
When scoring 30+ points.....	4-0
When opp. scores 30+ pts.....	1-4
With 100-yard rusher	1-1
When opp. has 100-yard rusher.....	4-6
With no 100-yard rusher	2-0
With 100-yard receiver	1-2
When opp. has 100-yard receiver	2-3
With no 100-yard receiver.....	4-2
With 300-yard passer	1-0
When opp. has 300-yard passer.....	1-4
With no 300-yard passer	5-2

DEFENSE

DOWN THE LINE

The Zips' front four is stacked with experienced upperclassmen. At tackle, junior **Brock Boxen** (New Galilee, Pa.) returns to his starting role. In 2016, he started six games and recorded 24 tackles and two sacks before suffering a season-ending injury. Boxen had two solo tackles at No. 6 Penn State. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, he had four tackles. In the win at Western Michigan, he had five tackles. In the win over Ohio, Boxen had three tackles. In the win over Kent State, he assisted on five tackles. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, Boxen had four tackles.

Senior **Darius Copeland** (Ft. Myers, Fla.), who started every game at nose tackle in 2016, shares the nose tackle position with senior **Ibrahima Camara** (Reynoldsburg, Ohio).

At Troy, Camara had five tackles, a sack for a loss of seven yards, and a break-up. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, he had two solo stops. In the win at Western Michigan, Camara had four tackles. At Toledo, he had eight tackles. In the win over Buffalo, Camara had eight tackles. In the win over Kent State, he had five tackles. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, he forced a fumble, a career first. He finished the game with two tackles.

Redshirt junior **Jamal Davis II** (Canton, Ohio) and junior **Brian Reinke** (Akron, Ohio) took over starting roles at defensive end. A transfer from Pittsburgh, Davis sat out last season per the NCAA transfer rule. At No. 6 Penn State Davis had two tackles. He had six tackles, 3.5 TFL, and his first career sack in the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff. Against Iowa State, Davis tallied six tackles, including a career-best five solo stops. In the win over Ball State, he had four tackles and a five-yard sack. In the win at Western Michigan, Davis had six tackles, including 1.5 TFL. At Toledo, he had eight tackles. At Miami, Davis had four tackles. In the win over Ohio, he had two tackles, including a TFL. In the win over Kent State, Davis had career-high nine tackles, a forced fumble, and a hurry. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, he had eight solo tackles, three TFL, and a hurry.

After 13 games, Davis is the top lineman on defense with 59 tackles, a team-best 13.5 TFL, two sacks, three hurries, and a forced fumble.

Reinke, who saw action in 11 games off the bench in 2016, had three tackles, including a TFL for three yards, at No. 6 Penn State. He had three tackles, including a TFL, in the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff. At Troy, Reinke had four tackles. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, he had three tackles, a break-up, and a hurry. In the win over Ball State, Reinke had five tackles. In the win at Western Michigan, he had five tackles and a four-yard sack. At Toledo, Reinke had four tackles. In the win over Buffalo, he had three tackles and a sack for a loss of five yards. At Miami, Reinke had five tackles. In the win over Ohio, he had four tackles. In the win over Kent State, Reinke had four tackles, 2.0 TFL, and 1.5 sacks.

After 13 games, Reinke has 45 tackles, 7.5 TFL, 3.5 sacks, a break-up, and two hurries.

Senior **Deon'Tae Moore** (Akron, Ohio) had two tackles at No. 6 Penn State. In the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, he had two tackles and a six-yard sack. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, Moore had four tackles and a fumble recovery. In the win over Ball State, he had two tackles and a five-yard sack. In the win over Ohio, Moore had two tackles.

Sophomore **Josh Ward** (Delray Beach, Fla.) had two solo stops at No. 6 Penn State. Against Iowa State, he had four tackles. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, Ward had three tackles, a break-up, and a hurry. In the win at Western Michigan, Ward had two tackles. At Toledo, he had four tackles.

Seeing playing time on the defensive front four are junior **Brennan Williams** (Akron, Ohio), and TE-turned-DE senior **Michael Kish** (Pittsburgh, Pa.). Both saw action at No. 6 Penn State but recorded no stats. At Troy, Williams had two solo tackles. In the win at Western Michigan, he had two tackles. In the win over Ohio, Williams had two tackles. In the win over Kent State, he assisted on three tackles.





AKRON IN THE MAC STATS

[Top 5 finishes only]

[as of Dec. 3]



Interceptions

1. Akron..... 19

Third-Down Conversions

4. Akron..... 41.0

Fourth-Down Conversions

5. Akron..... 53.8 (7-13)

Turnover Margin

1. Akron..... +10

Red Zone Defense

4. Akron..... 75.6

In the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, Kish had four tackles, including a TFL for a loss of three yards.

SOLID LINEBACKERS

The Zips' linebackers return a solid core, led by Preseason MAC Defensive Player of the Year junior **Ulysees Gilbert** (Ocala, Fla.). In his first season as a starter in 2016, he led the defense with 122 tackles, a team-best 11.5 TFL, 4.0 sacks, a team-best eight hurries, three break-ups, and two forced fumbles.

At No. 6 Penn State, Gilbert had five tackles. In the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, he led the defense with 10 tackles, a sack, and an interception en route to MAC Defensive Player of the Week honors. He also scored a touchdown on his first career interception, returning the ball 30 yards to put UA ahead, 24-0. Against Iowa State, Gilbert led the defense with 12 tackles. At Troy, he had seven tackles, a break-up, and a hurry. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, Gilbert led the defense with 11 tackles and a sack. In the win over Ball State, he led the defense with 13 tackles, an eight-yard sack, two hurries, and a break-up. In the win at Western Michigan, Gilbert had 10 tackles and a two-yard sack to end the game and seal the Zips' third consecutive victory en route to Zips' Summa Health Student-Athlete of the Week honors. At Toledo, Gilbert had eight tackles. He had an interception in the first quarter. It marked the second interception of his career and second this season. In the win over Buffalo, Gilbert had nine tackles. At Miami, he had seven tackles. In the win over Ohio, Gilbert led the Zips with 11 tackles, including a TFL for a loss of three yards. In the win over Kent State, he made his first career fumble recovery as time expired in the second quarter, returning it 40 yards for a touchdown. The touchdown was the linebacker's fourth of his career as he has two from interception returns and one from a punt return. Gilbert finished the game with a game-high 14 tackles. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, he intercepted the ball in the second quarter and returned it 25 yards. It was his third career interception. Gilbert finished with a team-high 10 tackles.

After 13 games, Gilbert is the Zips' top defender with 128 tackles, 8.5 TFL, a team-best five sacks, five hurries, four break-ups, three interceptions, and a fumble recovery. He also has two touchdowns for 12 points.

Redshirt senior **Andrew Hauser** (Mason, Ohio) returns in the middle. At No. 6 Penn State, he had five tackles, including a TFL for six yards. He had two solo stops in the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff. Against Iowa State, Hauser had five tackles. At Troy, he had three tackles. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, Hauser forced a fumble, the first of his career, on the opening drive. He finished with two solo stops and a forced fumble. In the win over Ball State, Hauser had his first career interception in the third quarter. He finished with a career-high 13 tackles. In the win at Western Michigan, Hauser had five tackles. In the win over Ohio, he had four tackles. In the win over Kent State, Hauser assisted on two tackles.

After 13 games, Hauser has 48 tackles, 2.5 TFL, an interception, a forced fumble, and a blocked PAT.

Junior **Nathan Bischof** (Akron, Ohio) moved into a starting role, making his first collegiate start at No. 6 Penn State. He had two tackles in the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, Bischof had two solo stops. In the win over Ball State, he had two solo stops and a five-yard sack. In the win at Western Michigan, Bischof had two solo tackles.

Sophomore **John Lako** (Monroe, Mich.) came off the bench at No. 6 Penn State for three tackles. In the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, he had a solo stop and an interception. Against Iowa State, Lako had four tackles. At Troy, he had the first forced fumble of his career on Troy's opening drive. UA scored on the turnover with a 27-yard field goal to take a 3-0 lead. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, Lako had 10 tackles, including a career-high seven solo stops. In the win over Ball State, Lako had six tackles and a 35-yard interception return for a touchdown in the fourth quarter. It marked his second career interception and his first pick six. In the win at Western Michigan, Lako had five tackles. At Toledo, he had seven tackles. In the win over Buffalo, Lako had five solo stops. At Miami, Lako had four tackles and a hurry. In the win over Ohio, he had four tackles, including a TFL. In the win over Kent State, Lako had two tackles. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, he had two tackles and a forced fumble.





AKRON IN THE MAC STATS

[as of Dec. 3]



INDIVIDUALS

Total Offense

6. Thomas Woodson..... 175.2

Passing Average

5. Thomas Woodson..... 177.7

Passing Efficiency

7. Thomas Woodson..... 121.0

Receptions Per Game

10. Tra'Von Chapman 3.8

Receiving Yards Per Game

10. Kwadarrius Smith..... 55.8

Punting

6. Nick Gasser..... 41.9

Tackles

2. Ulysees Gilbert..... 9.8

36. Alvin Davis..... 5.5

41. Jordan George 5.2

47. Shawn Featherstone..... 4.9

Sacks

11. Ulysees Gilbert..... 0.46

Tackles for Loss

7. Jamal Davis..... 1.04

Passes Defended

7. Kyron Brown..... 1.00

Interceptions

5. Jordan George 0.38

After 13 games, Lako is fourth on the defense with 61 tackles, 4.0 TFL, two interceptions, four hurries, a sack, and two forced fumbles.

At Troy, junior **Brian Bell** (Valdosta, Ga.) returned to the starting line-up. He had four tackles. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, Bell had six tackles, including a TFL. In the win over Ball State, he had five tackles. In the win at Western Michigan, Bell had five tackles. At Toledo, he had five tackles. In the win over Buffalo, Bell had seven tackles. At Miami, he had three tackles. In the win over Kent State, Bell had seven tackles. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, he had four tackles and a fumble recovery.

In 13 games, Bell has 52 tackles, including 4.5 TFL, and a fumble recovery.

Also seeing playing time are junior **Travonte Junius** (Akron, Ohio), senior **DeMarcus Lloyd** (Vienna, Ga.), and true freshman **Bubba Arslanian** (Aurora, Ohio). In the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, Lloyd had five tackles and assisted on a sack, while Junius had three tackles.

GUISER SUFFERS CAREER-ENDING INJURY

Senior **Zach Guiser** returned to lead the secondary. The only returning starter in the secondary, the Academic All-America safety finished fourth on the defense with 53 tackles in 2016.

At No. 6 Penn State, Guiser led the Zips' defense with 10 tackles, including a career-high eight solo stops. He intercepted the ball in the end zone of PSU's first drive of the game. It was his first interception of the season and the fourth of his collegiate career. Against Iowa State, Guiser had six solo tackles and a break-up before leaving the game with an injury. He missed the Troy and Bowling Green games. On Oct. 3, Guiser announced that he would not be returning to complete his final season..

In three games, Guiser had 16 tackles, an interception, and a break-up. He was named a semifinalist for the 2017 Campbell Trophy.

SECONDARY TO NONE

Sophomore **Alvin Davis** (Fort Lauderdale, Fla.), who started seven games as a true freshman, moves into a permanent starting role. He finished second in team tackling with 87 tackles, a fumble recovery, and a break-up in 2016. At No. 6 Penn State, Davis was second on defense with six tackles, including five solo stops and a TFL for six yards. In the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, he had six tackles. Against Iowa State, Davis had four tackles and a forced fumble. In the second half at Troy, he had two tackles. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, Davis had six tackles and 16-yard fumble recovery. In the win over Ball State, he had five tackles. In the win at Western Michigan, Davis led the UA defense with 12 tackles, including 10 solo stops, and a break-up. At Toledo, Davis had eight tackles. At Miami, Davis led the defense with nine tackles. In the win over Ohio, Davis had three solo stops in the first half. In the win over Kent State, he had an interception in the second quarter, the first of his career. He returned it two yards. It set up RB Manny Morgan's one-yard touchdown run six plays later. Davis finished the game with four tackles and an interception. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, he had eight tackles.

After 13 games, Davis is second on defense with 72 tackles, two break-ups, a TFL, an interception, a forced fumble, and a fumble recovery.

Redshirt junior **Shawn Featherstone** (Pittsburgh, Pa.) made two solo tackles at No. 6 Penn State. He had two stops in the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff. At Troy, Featherstone led the defense with a career-high 11 tackles, including a career-best seven solo stops. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, Featherstone had three tackles and a forced fumble. In the win over Ball State, he had three solo stops. In the win at Western Michigan, Featherstone had six tackles. At Toledo, he had six tackles. In the win over Buffalo, Featherstone had nine tackles, including seven solo stops, a break-up and a hurry. At Miami, he had five tackles and a 41-yard interception return, giving the Zips excellent field position to set up their first touchdown. It was his first career interception. In the win over Ohio, Featherstone had an





PLAYERS OF THE GAME

OFFENSE

at Penn State	QB Thomas Woodson
Arkansas Pine Bluff	RB Warren Ball
Iowa State	QB Thomas Woodson
at Troy	RB Warren Ball
at BGSU	WR Austin Wolf
Ball State	WR A.J. Coney
at WMU	RB Manny Morgan
at Toledo	WR Tra'Von Chapman
Buffalo	QB Thomas Woodson
at Miami	QB Kato Nelson
Ohio	QB Kato Nelson
Kent State	RB Manny Morgan
vs. Toledo	WR Kwadarrius Smith
at FAU	

DEFENSE

at Penn State	S Zach Guiser
Arkansas Pine Bluff	LB Ulysees Gilbert III
Iowa State	CB Kyron Brown
at Troy	S Shawn Featherstone
at BGSU	DB Jordan George
Ball State	LB John Lako
at WMU	LB Ulysees Gilbert III
at Toledo	LB Ulysees Gilbert III
Buffalo	DB Jordan George
at Miami	S Alvin Davis
Ohio	S Shawn Featherstone
Kent State	LB Ulysees Gilbert III
vs. Toledo	LB Ulysees Gilbert III
at FAU	

interception in the first quarter and returned it 45 yards. It was his second interception this season and in his career. In the second quarter, Featherstone recovered a fumble, the first of his career. He finished with seven tackles. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, Featherstone had three tackles.

In 12 games, Featherstone is fifth on defense with 59 tackles, two interceptions, two break-ups, a forced fumble, a fumble recovery, and a hurry.

With the graduation of DeAndre Scott and Larry Hope at corner, juniors **Jordan George** (Dayton, Ohio) and **Kyron Brown** (Boynton Beach, Fla.) have moved into starting roles.

At No. 6 Penn State, George had two solo tackles and a TFL. He had two solo tackles in the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff. Against Iowa State, George made four solo stops. At Troy, he had seven tackles and two break-ups. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, George had six tackles, a forced fumble, and interception, and a blocked extra point. In the win over Ball State, he had five solo stops. In the win at Western Michigan, George had three tackles. At Toledo, he had six tackles. In the win over Buffalo, George led the Zips with a career-high 11 tackles. His interception in the endzone (during the second quarter) was the third INT of his career and his second interception this season. At Miami, George had three tackles and an interception. In the win over Ohio, he had an interception for the third consecutive game. This time he snatched the ball in the fourth quarter and returned it 28 yards. He also had two tackles. In the win over Kent State, George had six tackles, including a TFL. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, he led the Zips with 10 tackles and an interception.

After 13 games, George is third on defense with 68 tackles, three break-ups, a team-best five interceptions, and a forced fumble.

Brown made a solo stop At No. 6 Penn State. Against Iowa State, he had a career-high four solo stops, two break-ups, and a forced fumble. At Troy, Brown made three solo stops. Brown scored the game-winning touchdown at Bowling Green in the MAC opener, snapping the Falcons' eight-game series winning streak over the Zips. The cornerback, who finished with four tackles and a break-up, intercepted a BG pass in the fourth quarter and returned it 38 yards for the winning score en route to MAC Defensive Player of the Week honors. The interception was the fourth of Brown's career and his first this season. It was his first career touchdown. In the win over Ball State, Brown had four solo stops. In the win at Western Michigan, Brown had two tackles and a 70-yard interception return. His interception on the opening drive was the fifth of his collegiate career and his second this season. At Toledo, Brown made four solo stops. In the win over Buffalo, he had nine tackles. At Miami, he had a career-high four break-ups. In the win over Ohio, Brown had six tackles and two break-ups. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, he had four tackles and a fumble recovery.

In 13 starts at corner, Brown has 42 tackles, a team-high 11 break-ups, two interceptions for 108 return yards, a forced fumble, and a fumble recovery.

Providing support are senior **Mikee Hayes** (Ocala, Fla.), redshirt junior **Darian Dailey** (Bradenton, Fla.), and redshirt sophomore **Denzel Butler** (Fort Lauderdale, Fla.).

Butler made his first appearance of his career in the starting line-up at Troy. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, he had four tackles. In the win at Western Michigan, Butler had two solo tackles. At Toledo, he had five tackles. In the win over Buffalo, Butler had seven tackles, including five solo stops. At Miami, he had three tackles. In the win over Ohio, Butler had five tackles and a break-up. In the win over Kent State, he made his first career interception in the third quarter.

In the win over Ball State, Dailey had three tackles, a break-up, and a 40-yard interception return, his first. In the win at Western Michigan, Dailey had three tackles, including a TFL, and a break-up. At Miami, he had four tackles. In the win over Ohio, Dailey had four solo stops. In the win over Kent State, he had three solo tackles and a break-up. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, Dailey had four solo tackles and a fumble recovery.





PLAYERS OF THE GAME

SPECIALISTS

at Penn State	P Nick Gasser
Arkansas Pine Bluff	PK Tom O'Leary
Iowa State	P Nick Gasser
at Troy	P Nick Gasser
at BGSU	KOR Deltron Sands
Ball State	P Nick Gasser
at WMU	KOR Deltron Sands
at Toledo	KOR Van Edwards
Buffalo	P Nick Gasser
at Miami	PR Van Edwards
Ohio	PK Nick Gasser
Kent State	PK Nick Gasser
vs. Toledo	PK Nick Gasser
at FAU	

PLAYER ON THE RISE

at Penn State	QB Kato Nelson
Arkansas Pine Bluff	RB Deltron Sands
Iowa State	WR Kwadarrius Smith
at Troy	WR Austin Wolf
at BGSU	LB John Lako
Ball State	CB Darian Dailey
at WMU	TE Kobie Booker
at Toledo	QB Robbie Kelley
Buffalo	WR Kevin Gladney
at Miami	WR Kwadarrius Smith
Ohio	WR Kwadarrius Smith
Kent State	DE Jamal Davis
vs. Toledo	DB Jordan George
at FAU	

SPECIAL TEAMS

O'LEARY LEADS KICKING UNIT

Redshirt junior **Tom O'Leary** (Tucker, Ga.) continued to kick for the Zips. After securing the job last fall, he went 10-11 in field goals and 39-of-42 in extra points for 69 points in 12 games. He kicked off 46 times for 2,644 yards (57.5 avg.) with six touchbacks.

In the victory over Arkansas Pine Bluff, O'Leary went 6-for-6 on extra points and nailed a 34-yard field goal in the second quarter. Against Iowa State, O'Leary made two extra points to extend his streak to 38 consecutive makes. After making a 27-yard field goal in the first quarter at Troy, O'Leary had his first miss, shanking a 34-yard attempt to end the first half. He converted two extra points. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, O'Leary went 4-of-5 in extra points. The miss on his second attempt snapped a streak of 41 consecutive makes. In the win over Ball State, O'Leary converted a 48-yard field goal in the second quarter, a career long. He also made four extra points. In the win at Western Michigan, O'Leary tacked on two extra points. At Toledo, he made three extra points. In the win over Buffalo, O'Leary made three extra points.

O'Leary has scored 35 points. He has made 26-of-27 extra points and three field goals.

Senior **Zach Gingerich** (Bellefontaine, Ohio) will compete for kicking duties. He made his first extra point in the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff.

GASSER TO PUNT

Junior **Nick Gasser** (Liberty Township, Ohio) returns to punt for the Zips. In 12 games last fall, Gasser punted 59 times for 2,226 yards (37.7 avg.) with 16 fair catches and 22 landing inside the 20. He kicked off 14 times for 753 yards (53.8 avg.) with two touchbacks.

In the season opener at No. 6 Penn State, Gasser) punted a career-high 11 times for a career-high 435 yards. He averaged 39.5 yards. In the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, he kicked off nine times for 551 yards (61.2 average). Against Iowa State, Gasser punted seven times for 279 yards, averaging 39.9 yards. He also kicked off three times for 160 yards (53.3 average). At Troy, Gasser punted five times for 229 yards, averaging a career-best 45.8 yards. His long of 56 yards, which landed on the Troy three-yard line, was a career long. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, Gasser kicked off six times for 347 yards, averaging 57.8 yards. In the win over Ball State, he kicked off six times for 366 yards (61.0 average) and punted six times for 270 yards (45.0 average), including a career long 59-yard punt. In the win at Western Michigan, Gasser kicked off three times for 133 yards (44.3 average). He also punted seven times for 253 yards (36.1 average) with a long of 47 yards. At Toledo, Gasser punted four times for 173 yards (43.2 average), including a long of 53 yards. He also kicked off four times for 194 yards (48.5 average). In the win over Buffalo, Gasser kicked off four times for 241 yards, averaging 60.2 yards. He also punted four times for 167 yards, including a 52-yard long punt, for a 41.8 average and no returns. His first punt of the game landed on the four-yard line for the start of UB's drive. Gasser earned MAC Specialist of the Week honors for the second time. At Miami, he punted six times for 274 yards (45.7 average) and kicked off three times for 178 yards (59.3 average). In addition to kickoffs and punting, Gasser took over placekicking duties against the RedHawks. He missed a 31-yard field goal attempt on UA's opening drive but converted two extra points. In the win over Ohio, Gasser nailed his first field goal, a 19-yard chip-shot to put Akron on the scoreboard in the first quarter. He also had four extra points while punting seven times for 277 yards (39.6 average), including long punt of 50 yards. Gasser also kicked off seven times for 414 yards, averaging 59.1 yards. In the win over Kent State, Gasser made a 45-yard field goal in the first quarter. It was his second field goal and his longest to date. His 45.9 punting average and five punts inside the 20 were both career highs. Gasser also kicked off four times for 225 yards (56.2 average) and punted eight times for 367 yards (45.9 average). Two of Gasser's kickoffs and three punts landed within the five-yard line, giving the Golden Flashes more than a 90-yard trek to the end zone. In the MAC Championship game against Toledo, Gasser kicked off four





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DRESS LIKE A ZIP

Akron Football uniform combinations this fall:

	Helmet	Jersey	Pants
L, 0-52 at Penn St.	Gold	White	Gold
W, 52-3 vs. UAPB	Blue	Blue	Blue
L, 14-41 vs. Iowa St.	White	Blue	White
L, 17-22 at Troy	Blue	White	Blue
W, 14-13 at Western Michigan			
L, 14-48 at Toledo			
W, 34-23 at BGSU	White	White	White
L, 14-24 at Miami			
L, 28-45 vs. Toledo			
W, 31-3 vs. Ball State	Gold*	Blue	Gold
W, 21-20 vs. Buffalo	Gold	Blue	Gold
W, 37-34 vs. Ohio	Blue	Blue	White
W, 24-14 vs Kent	Blue#	Blue	Gold

*Throwback helmet

Full kangaroo logo for Senior Night

Record by Colors	Helmet	Jersey	Pants
0-1	Gold	White	Gold
1-0	Blue	Blue	Blue
0-1	White	Blue	White
1-2	Blue	White	Blue
1-2	White	White	White
1-0	Gold	Blue	Gold
1-0	Gold	Blue	Gold
1-0	Blue	Blue	White
1-0	Blue	Blue	Gold
7-6, 6-2 MAC			

AKRON APPEARED ON SPORTS CENTER

The Zips' gameday uniform for the regular-season finale against Kent State was featured on *Sport-Center* "Gear Up" segment on Nov. 18.

For the third consecutive season on Senior Night, the Akron players wore the full kangaroo decal on their helmets. While defending the Wagon Wheel, the Zips also wore navy jerseys, gold pants, and navy helmets with a Vegas gold face mask.

times for 240 yards (60.0 average) and punted seven times for 299 yards (42.7 average). His 42-yard field goal attempt was blocked, but he converted four extra points to extend his consecutive PAT made streak to 13.

On the season, Gasser has kicked off 58 times for 3,362 yards (58.0 avg.) He has punted 78 times for 3,269 yards (41.9 avg.). He's made 13-of-14 PAT and 2-of-4 field goals.

SPEEDY RETURNERS

Senior WR **A.J. Coney** is expected to return punts. In 11 games in 2016, Edwards had 22 kickoff returns for 524 yards (23.8 avg.), including a long of 75 yards in the win at Kent State.

Junior **Van Edwards** returns to kickoff return duties. Last fall, he had 22 kickoff returns for 524 yards (23.8 avg.), including a long of 75 yards in the win at Kent State.

At No. 6 Penn State, Edwards had three returns for 64 yards, including a long of 24 yards. Against Iowa State, he had a 23-yard return. At Toledo, Edwards had three returns for 66 yards. He averages 21.9 yards per return. In the win over Buffalo, he had two returns for 51 yards, including a 28-yard return. At Miami, Edwards had three kickoff returns for 54 yards. In the win over Ohio, he had five returns for 82 yards. In the win over Kent State, Edwards had two kickoff returns for 35 yards.

Redshirt sophomore RB **Deltron Sands** (Fort Lauderdale, Fla.) had a kickoff return for 13 yards at No.6 Penn State. In the win over Arkansas Pine Bluff, he had a 27-yard return. In the MAC win at Bowling Green, Sands had a career-high three kickoff returns for a career-high 79 yards, including a career-long return of 34 yards. In the win at Western Michigan, Sands had two kickoff returns for 46 yards, including a 29-yard return. He had a 19-yard return in the win over Buffalo.

ON THE SIDELINES

BEST MAC START

Opening the 2017 season with three consecutive wins in Mid-American Conference play was a first for Akron. While the Zips had opened MAC play with two wins seven times ['92, '93, '01, '07, '08, '14, '16] since joining the league in 1992, winning three consecutive MAC games to open this season was a first in program history.

AKRON'S MAC CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY

Akron earned the 2017 MAC East title and a spot in the 2017 MAC championship game with its win over Kent State in the regular-season finale. Since joining the MAC in 1992, Akron has won the MAC East three times (2000, 2005, 2017). UA has only played in the MAC Championship game once (2005).

In 2005, Akron participated in its first MAC Championship game, claiming a 31-30 victory over Northern Illinois.

THERE IS NO PLACE LIKE HOME

Akron concluded its ninth season in 2017 on campus at InfoCision Stadium – Summa Field. The Zips have a 23-31 record at the venue (5-1 in 2017). The 30,000-seat stadium features 17 suites, state-of-the-art video board, and 80,000 square feet of academic space used daily by all University students. Additionally, the Sport Science and Wellness Education Department conducts classes on two levels, and the University's Alumni Association resides there as well.

GIVING BACK

The University of Akron football team has been known for visiting Akron Children's Hospital *EVERY* Friday before home games, but over the summer, the Zips stepped up their outreach to the community. Projects included landscaping and gardening at the Haven of Rest homeless shelter; cleaning kennels, organizing storage, and walking dogs at the One-of-a-Kind Pet Rescue; and volunteering at various summer camps for kids.



2017 FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



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IN-SEASON BIRTHDAYS

AUGUST

6	WR M.J. McGriff, R-Jr.	20
9	LB Ulysees Gilbert, Jr.	20
13	CB Hugh Cade, Jr.	20
14	LB DeMarkus Glover, R-Fr.	19
18	LB Youssef Barakat, Soph.	20
	OL Jovann Letuli, Sr.	21
22	WR Jacquavis Dixon, Soph.	21
	LS Hayden Grover, Jr.	22
29	DB Denzel Butler, R-Soph.	21

SEPTEMBER

4	Coach Mike Woodford	58
11	P Jonah Wieland, Fr.	18
	LS Michael Buddenberg, Sr.	23
17	TE Darryl Long, R-Soph.	22
	PK Tom O'Leary, R-Jr.	22
19	QB Kato Nelson, R-Fr.	20

OCTOBER

1	H/P Kyle Foster, Jr.	22
2	DL Brennan Williams, Jr.	22
3	S Vince Lockett, Soph.	21
4	LB Andrew Hauser, R-Sr.	23
5	PK Zach Gingerich, Sr.	23
10	OL Austin Sample, R-Fr.	20
12	OL Shawn Muldowney, Fr.	19
	OL Kyle Ritz, Jr.	22
	WR Austin Wolf, Sr.	23
14	OL Rueben Durkee, Fr.	19
16	Coach Brett Ekkens	28
30	DB Jeffrey Lubin, Fr.	19

NOVEMBER

1	QB Nick Johns, R-Soph.	21
4	LS Peyton Coffman, R-Fr.	19
5	RB Chuck Turfe, Soph.	21
9	TE Newman Williams, Jr.	22
10	DE Deon'Tae Moore, Sr.	23
12	TE Mykel Traylor Bennett, R-Sr.	23
13	Coach Trent Boykin	47
15	RB Deltron Sands, R-Soph.	21
24	QB Robbie Kelley, R-Jr.	22

DECEMBER

4	PK James Fonseca, R-Jr.	22
6	DL Brian Reinke, Jr.	22
10	DL Darius Copeland, Sr.	24
17	Coach Todd Stroud	54
20	WR Kwadarrus Smith, R-Jr.	23
21	S Jamal Baggett, Jr.	22
25	DL Andrew Siegman, R-Fr.	20
28	DL Brock Boxen, Jr.	22
29	LB Josh Ward, Soph.	21
30	WR A.J. Coney, R-Sr.	23
	DL Ibrahima Camara, Sr.	22
	Coach Jeff Bowden	58

MAC PREDICTIONS- HOW CLOSE WERE THEY?!

Akron was selected to finish fourth in the Mid-American Conference East Division this fall by both the media and the head coaches. Here's a look at the preseason picks and the actual finish.

MAC EAST PRESEASON

1. Ohio (11)
2. Miami (12)
3. Bowling Green (1)
4. **AKRON**
5. Buffalo
6. Kent State

MAC EAST ACTUAL FINISH

- | | | |
|----|---------------|----|
| 1. | AKRON | +3 |
| 2. | Ohio | -1 |
| 3. | Buffalo | +2 |
| | Miami | -1 |
| 5. | Bowling Green | -2 |
| 6. | Kent State | ✓ |

MAC WEST PRESEASON

1. Toledo (22)
2. Western Michigan (1)
3. Northern Illinois (1)
4. Eastern Michigan
5. Central Michigan
6. Ball State

MAC WEST ACTUAL FINISH

- | | | |
|----|-------------------|----|
| 1. | Toledo | ✓ |
| 2. | Northern Illinois | +1 |
| | Central Michigan | +3 |
| 4. | Western Michigan | -2 |
| 5. | Eastern Michigan | - |
| 6. | Ball State | ✓ |

ZIPS IN THE NFL

Five former Zips are currently listed on NFL rosters- LB **Jatavis Brown** (Los Angeles Chargers), LB/DE **Nordly Capi** (New York Giants), DL **Rodney Coe** (Seattle), LB **Justin March-Lillard** (Dallas), and WR **JoJo Natson** (New York Jets).

CRYSTAL CLINIC WAGON WHEEL CHALLENGE

Akron claimed the wheel and a point with the 24-14 win over Kent State in the Crystal Clinic Orthopaedic Center Wagon Wheel Challenge. The 14-sport rivalry series between Akron and Kent State is based on a time-honored competition for an historic wooden wagon wheel trophy awarded originally in 1945 to the winner of the annual Akron-Kent State football game.

Since the 2011-12 academic year, the rivalry was broadened to include 14 NCAA varsity sports, with victories in each sport adding one point to the challenge standings. To learn more about the rivalry and follow the results and standings, visit:

www.WagonWheelChallenge.com

REESE TROPHY

The University of Akron was named the recipient of the 2016-17 Reese Trophy as the Mid-American Conference's top men's athletics program.

During the 2016-17 academic year, the Zips competed in seven men's sports and captured the award for the second consecutive time and third time in four years (2014, 2016, 2017) in program history on the strength of winning conference titles in men's basketball, soccer, and both indoor and outdoor track and field.

NFL TIES

Four Zips have family ties to the NFL. Senior LS **Michael Buddenberg**'s father **John** was drafted by the Cleveland Browns to begin his seven-year NFL career. Redshirt sophomore DB **Denzel Butler**'s older brother **Darius** is in his ninth season as a safety for the Indianapolis Colts. Senior LB **Tony Jones, Jr.**'s father Tony Jones, Sr., played offensive tackle during his 14-year NFL career, playing nine seasons with the Cleveland Browns, one with the Baltimore Ravens, and four with the Denver Broncos. He went to two Super Bowls with Denver. Redshirt sophomore TE **Darryl Long**'s cousin **Joe Kelly** played in the NFL for 11 seasons, starting out with Cincinnati.



2017 FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



GAME 14 at FAU | BOCA RATON BOWL

2017 MAC BOWL SCHEDULE

Cheribundi Tart Cherry Boca Raton Bowl ^

Tuesday, December 19

FAU Stadium | Boca Raton, Fla.



7 p.m. ET | ESPN
MAC vs. American/Conference USA
Akron vs. FAU
www.theBocaRatonBowl.com

Bahamas Bowl

Friday, December 22

Thomas A. Robinson National Stadium | Nassau, Bahamas



12:30 p.m. ET | ESPN
MAC vs. Conference USA
Ohio vs. UAB
www.BahamasBowl.com

Famous Idaho Potato Bowl

Friday, December 22

Albertsons Stadium | Boise, Idaho



4 p.m. ET | 2 p.m. MT | ESPN
MAC vs. Mountain West
Central Michigan vs. Wyoming
www.FamousIdahoPotatoBowl.com

Dollar General Bowl

Saturday, December 23

Ladd-Peebles Stadium | Mobile, Ala.



7 p.m. ET | 6 p.m. CT | ESPN
MAC vs. Sun Belt
Toledo vs. Appalachian State
www.DollarGeneralBowl.com

Quick Lane Bowl ^

Tuesday, December 26

Ford Field | Detroit, Mich.



2:30 p.m. ET | ESPN
MAC vs. Big Ten/ACC
Northern Illinois vs. Duke
www.DetroitLions.com/QuickLaneBowl

^ MAC secondary bowl agreements

TAYLOR NAMED TO 2017 PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME CLASS

Former University of Akron defensive end **Jason Taylor** (1993-96) was one of seven honorees inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 2017.

Taylor was one of the NFL's top pass-rushers for 15 seasons. Drafted in the third round by the Miami Dolphins in 1997, he played 13 seasons with Miami, and one season each with the Washington Redskins, and the New York Jets. A six-time Pro Bowl selection and four time 1st or 2nd team All-Pro, Taylor was named the NFL Defensive Player of the Year in 2006, and also named the Walter Peyton Man of the Year in 2007.

Taylor holds the sixth all-time career sacks record with 139.5 sacks, is the all-time leader in fumble return touchdowns with six, while his 246 fumble return yards are the second highest total in NFL history. With nine career defensive touchdowns scored, he is also the all-time leader in that category for defensive linemen.

As a Zip, Taylor earned first-team All-MAC honors as a senior in 1996. He was named the team's defensive MVP as a junior. In 1996, he was awarded the team's Harry "Doc" Smith Award and the Akron Touchdown Club trophy as the outstanding lineman. Taylor is Akron's all-time career leader in sacks (21) and stands second on the Zips' charts for career tackles for loss (41.0) and sacks in a season (10). Taylor was inducted into Akron's Ring of Honor in 2004 and the UA Sports Hall of Fame in 2007.

ZIP QUICK HITS

- Two Zips are dads. Junior OL **Undrea Bullard** has an infant son named **Kyrie**, while senior TE **Mykel Traylor-Bennett** has a four-year old daughter named **La'Niya**.
- Four Zips are dual-sport athletes, participating in both football and track: Junior OL **Nick Fazio** (shot put), senior OL **Jovann Letuli** (discus), junior WR **Kwadarrius Smith** (sprints), and senior WR **Anthony Young** (sprints).
- Junior LS **Hayden Grover** is the president of Akron's all-male a cappella group Nuance. He has performed the National Anthem at Zips' basketball games.
- Junior TE **Darryl Long**'s younger brother **Dominique** is a freshman safety at Michigan State.
- Junior DL **Brian Reinke**'s mother **Katie** (Connor) '90 played volleyball at Akron.
- Graduate assistant coach (offense) **Hunter Bowden** is the son of **Jeff Bowden**, nephew of **Terry Bowden**, and grandson of **Bobby Bowden**.
- Second-year offensive line coach **Brett Ekkens** is the youngest o-line coach in the country at 28 (birthdate is 10-16-89).

BOWDEN AMONG NATION'S VOTERS

For the fifth consecutive season Akron head coach **Terry Bowden** was a voting member for the weekly Amway Coaches' Poll.

DID YOU KNOW ???

- Akron football is one of a very few programs in the country that practices in the mornings to accommodate the upperclassmen's afternoon class schedule.
- Zippy is just one of eight female-gendered college mascots in Division I athletics. Do you know the other seven? (YoUDee, the Delaware Blue Hen; Mrs. Wuf of N.C. State; Lucy Lobo of New Mexico; Sue E. Pig of Arkansas; Miss Pawla of South Alabama, Kate the Lion of Hofstra; and Wilma Wildcat of Arizona).
- Akron was the first school to jump from Division I-AA football (now called FCS) to I-A (now called FBS). The Zips made the move in 1987.
- Hall of Fame coach **John Heisman** coached football from 1893-94 for Buchtel College (Akron's original name). The Cleveland native went on to take Georgia Tech to the national championship in 1917. The Heisman Trophy, given to the nation's most outstanding college player, is named



2017 FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



TERRY BOWDEN

- ◆ Head Coach
- ◆ Sixth Season at Akron
- ◆ 24th Season Overall
- ◆ West Virginia '78

The Dean of all Mid-American Conference coaches with 171 career wins, Akron's Terry Bowden is in his sixth season in 2017 at the helm of the UA program. He was named the Zips' 27th all-time head coach on Dec. 22, 2011, but is just the seventh person to hold the position since 1960.

Owning a 171-105-2 record over a 24-year collegiate coaching career, Bowden ranks sixth nationally among active Division I head coaches in career wins (171).

Bowden has been responsible for miraculous turnarounds almost everywhere he has coached and has once again done it at The University of Akron.

In 2016, Bowden led UA to a 5-7 overall record, finishing just one play away from back-to-back bowl appearances. The Zips won their second consecutive Wagon Wheel (and third in last four years) over rival Kent State. Akron led the MAC in punt returns (17.53) which also ranked third nationally.

Sophomore linebacker Ulysees Gilbert III and redshirt senior punt returner JoJo Natson, Jr., earned first-team All-Mid-American Conference honors. Natson also garnered second-team All-MAC honors at wide receiver. Junior wide receiver Jerome Lane and redshirt sophomore placekicker Tom O'Leary were third-team All-MAC honorees.

For just the second time in program history (and first time since 1980), an Akron Zip earned Academic All-America honors. Junior safety Zach Guiser was a first-team selection, while redshirt senior captain James Turner was a second-team honoree.

In 2015, Bowden guided the Zips to an 8-5 overall record and a second-place finish in the MAC (5-3) East en route to the program's first winning season and bowl appearance since 2005. Ranked No. 2 nationally by Phil Steele as the Most Improved Team, Akron captured its first-ever bowl victory in the Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) era (since 1987) with a 23-21 win over Utah State in the Famous Idaho Potato Bowl on Dec. 22. UA won the 500th game in program history with a 35-14 victory at Louisiana on Sept. 26, 2015, while closing out the season with five consecutive wins. The Zips shut out rival Kent State, 20-0, in the home finale to regain possession of the coveted Wagon Wheel. The eight wins on the season were the most in the FBS era.

In 2014, Bowden guided the Zips to a 5-7 overall for the second consecutive season. With 10 victories over the last two seasons, the Zips totaled more wins than the previous three seasons combined.

In 2013, Bowden led UA to its highest win total since 2008 by going 5-7 overall and 4-4 against the MAC, as well as ending the year by winning three straight and four of its last five games. The Zips went 3-3 at home, including a 31-29 win over Toledo in the season finale and a 16-7 victory over neighborhood rival Kent State to regain possession of the coveted wooden Wagon Wheel.

In 2012, Bowden ushered in a spread offense that resulted in an aerial attack responsible for a school-record and MAC season-high 30 passing touchdowns.

THE TERRY BOWDEN FILE

COLLEGIATE HEAD COACHING RECORD

Year	School	Record • Notable
1983	Salem	3-7
1984	Salem	8-3 • WVIAC Champions
1983	Salem	8-3 • WVIAC Champions
Salem Totals (three seasons)		19-13-0
1987	Samford	9-1
1988	Samford	5-6 • Transition to I-AA
1989	Samford	4-7
1990	Samford	6-4-1
1991	Samford	12-2 • Division I-AA Playoffs-Semifinals
1992	Samford	9-3 • Division I-AA Playoffs-First Rd.
Samford Totals (six seasons)		45-23-1
1993	Auburn	11-0 • National Champions (NCF)
1994	Auburn	9-1-1 • No. 9 AP Final Ranking
1995	Auburn	8-4 • Outback Bowl Appearance
1996	Auburn	8-4 • Independence Bowl Win
1997	Auburn	10-3 • Peach Bowl Win
1998	Auburn	1-5
Auburn Totals (six seasons)		47-17-1
2009	North Alabama	11-2 • Division II Playoffs-Quarterfinals
2010	North Alabama	9-4 • Division II Playoffs-Second Rd.
2011	North Alabama	9-3 • Division II Playoffs-Second Rd.
UNA Totals (three seasons)		29-9
2012	Akron	1-11 • 0-8 in MAC play
2013	Akron	5-7 • 4-4 in MAC play
2014	Akron	5-7 • 3-5 in MAC play
2015	Akron	8-5 • 5-3 in MAC play • Potato Bowl Win
2016	Akron	5-7 • 3-5 in MAC play
2017	Akron	7-6 • 6-2 in MAC play
Akron Totals (6th season)		31-43 21-27 MAC (.425)
Career Totals (24th season)		171-105-2 (.621)

COACHING HONORS

1993	Southeastern Conference Coach of the Year
	Walter Camp Coach of the Year
	Scripps Howard Coach of the Year
	Football News Coach of the Year
	Toyota Coach of the Year
	Paul "Bear" Bryant Award (Football Writers Association)
2009	Gulf South Conference Co-Coach of the Year

COLLEGIATE PLAYING CAREER

1977-78	Football (West Virginia)
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Bowden, who served as a studio analyst and color commentator with ABC Sports' college football for 10 years, was the head coach at Auburn from 1993-98 and spent the three seasons prior to coming to Akron at Division II North Alabama. Bowden was an assistant coach at Akron in 1986 under then Zips' head coach Gerry Faust.

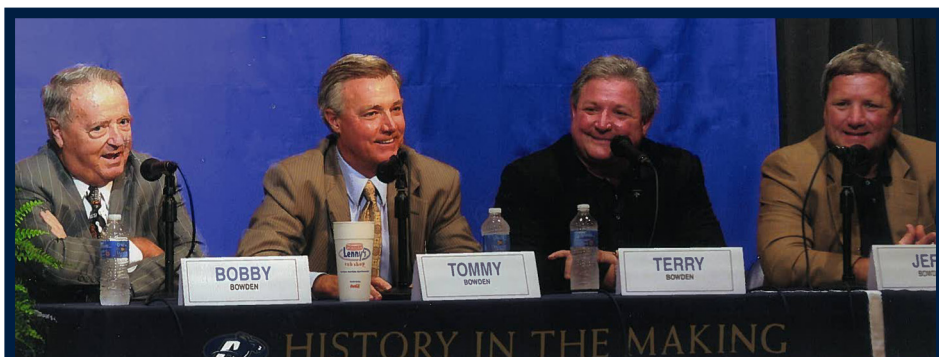
Bowden is a member of one of the most famous and successful college football coaching families. His father, Bobby Bowden, turned Florida State into a national champion and his 377 collegiate wins rank second in Division I history.

As a student-athlete at West Virginia, Bowden lettered two years as a running back (1977-78), held a 3.65 grade-point average in accounting, the highest GPA on the football team, and graduated Magna Cum Laude. He did post graduate work at Oxford University in England, and earned a Juris Doctorate from the Florida State School of Law in 1982, while a graduate assistant coach with the Seminoles.

Bowden, 61 (born Feb. 25, 1956), married Audrey Renner in June 2016. Together, the couple has five daughters (Tera, Jordan, Erin, Cori and Jamie Bowden), three sons (Terry Bowden, Jr., Danny and Drew Renner), and a grandson Skyler.



WINNINGEST FAMILY IN D-I COLLEGE FOOTBALL



WINNINGEST FAMILY IN D-I COLLEGE FOOTBALL

BOBBY BOWDEN , father Career (44 seasons)	377-129-4	(.743)	31 bowls, 2 national championships
TOMMY BOWDEN , brother ... Career (12 seasons)	90-49	(.647)	9 bowls
TERRY BOWDEN , Akron* Career (24 seasons)	171-105-2	(.623)	4 bowls
..... Bowden Family Total	638 -283-6	(.697)	44 bowls, 2 national championships

Brothers

Mack Brown, Texas..... Career (30 seasons)	244-122-1	(.916)	21 bowls, 1 national championship
Watson Brown, Tenn. Tech Career (32 seasons)	136-211-1	(.391)	1 bowl
..... Brown Family Total	380-333-2	(.533)	22 bowls, 1 national championship

Brothers

Vince Dooley, Georgia Career (25 seasons)	201-77-10	(.715)	20 bowls, 1 national championship
Bill Dooley, Wake Forest Career (26 seasons)	162-126-5	(.625)	10 bowls
..... Dooley Family Total	363-203-15	(.638)	30 bowls, 1 national championship

Father / Son

Lou Holtz, South Carolina Career (33 seasons)	249-132-7	(.651)	22 bowls, 1 national championship
Skip Holtz, Louisiana Tech*..... Career (16 seasons)	125-98	(.564)	8 bowls
..... Holtz Family Total	374-230-7	(.620)	30 bowls, 1 national championship

Brothers

Howard Jones, USC Career (29 seasons)	191-64-21	(.730)	5 bowls, 5 national championships
T.A. Dwight (Tad) Jones, Yale..... Career (12 seasons)	69-24-6	(.727)	1 national championship
..... Jones Family Total	260-88-27	(.729)	5 bowls, 6 national championships

Brothers

Bob Stoops, Oklahoma Career (17 seasons)	190-48	(.798)	18 bowls, 1 national championship
Mark Stoops, Kentucky* Career (3 seasons)	26-38	(.365)	1 bowl
Mike Stoops, Arizona Career (8 seasons)	41-50	(.451)	3 bowls
..... Stoops Family Total	257-136	(.656)	22 bowls, 1 national championship

Father / Son

Jack Harbaugh, Western Ky. Career (19 seasons)	116-95-3	(.543)	1 national championship
Jim Harbaugh, Michigan*..... Career (8 seasons)	86-37	(.703)	4 bowls
..... Harbaugh Family Total	201-132-3	(.602)	4 bowls, 1 national championship

Father / Son

Spike Dykes, Texas Tech Career (13 seasons)	82-67-1	(.550)	7 bowls
Sonny Dykes, Cal* Career (6 seasons)	46-52	(.477)	2 bowls
..... Dykes Family Total	128-117-1	(.526)	9 bowls

Brothers

Bobby Petrino, Louisville* Career (11 seasons)	117-47	(.717)	10 bowls
Paul Petrino, Idaho* Career (3 seasons)	18-41	(.313)	1 bowl
..... Petrino Family Total	135-88	(.620)	11 bowls

*active coach

Most recent school is listed only



A DECADE NOT LIKELY TO BE DUPLICATED

Feats that may never be repeated ...

1993

Bobby [Florida State] and Terry [Auburn] were the first father-son combo in NCAA Division I history to serve as head coaches at the same time.

1999

Bobby [Florida State] and Tommy [Clemson] were the first father-son combo in NCAA Division I history to coach against each other as head coaches.

Decade of the 1990s

All three Bowden head coaches- Terry [Auburn 1993], Tommy [Tulane 1998], and Bobby [Florida State 1999]- led their teams to undefeated seasons and were named the National Coach of the Year at a Division I school.



COACHING STAFF



CHUCK
AMATO

- ◆ Associate Head Coach | Defensive Coordinator
- ◆ N.C. State '69

6th Season at Akron | 45th season overall
Gameday: Field



TODD
STROUD

- ◆ Assistant Head Coach | Defensive Line | Rec. Coord.
- ◆ Florida State '85

6th Season at Akron | 32nd season overall
Gameday: Field



A.J.
MILWEE

- ◆ Offensive Coordinator | Quarterbacks
- ◆ North Alabama '09

6th Season at Akron | 9th season overall
Gameday: Field



JEFF
BOWDEN

- ◆ Special Teams Coord. | Wide Receivers
- ◆ Florida State '83

6th Season at Akron | 34th season overall
Gameday: Field



TRENT
BOYKIN

- ◆ Tight Ends | H-Backs
- ◆ Youngstown State '95

6th Season at Akron | 22nd season overall
Gameday: Booth



BRETT
EKKENS

- ◆ Offensive Line
- ◆ Mount Union '12

2nd Season at Akron | 2nd season overall
Gameday: Field



ERIC
HICKSON

- ◆ Running Backs
- ◆ Kansas State '98

3rd Season at Akron | 15th season overall
Gameday: Field



OTIS
MOUNDS

- ◆ Cornerbacks | Def. Passing Game Coord.
- ◆ Auburn '03

4th Season at Akron | 13th season overall
Gameday: Booth



MIKE
WOODFORD

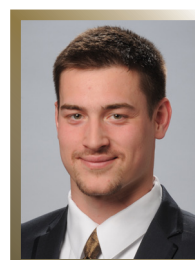
- ◆ Safeties
- ◆ Arizona '82

6th Season at Akron | 33rd season overall
Gameday: Field



HUNTER
BOWDEN

- ◆ Graduate Assistant | Offense
- ◆ 2nd Season at Akron
- ◆ North Alabama '13



DYLAN
EVANS

- ◆ Graduate Assistant | Defense
- ◆ 1st Season at Akron
- ◆ Akron '16



ANDY
KWON

- ◆ Graduate Assistant | Offense
- ◆ 1st Season at Akron
- ◆ Georgia Southern '17



NICK
VERNA

- ◆ Graduate Assistant | Defense
- ◆ 2nd Season at Akron
- ◆ Akron '15





ZIPS' DEPTH CHART

OFFENSE (Spread)

Quarterback

1	Kato Nelson (R-Fr., 6-1, 205)
4	Thomas Woodson (Sr., 6-1, 224)
10	Robbie Kelley (R-Jr., 6-1, 215)
6	Nick Johns (R-So., 6-3, 225)

Running Back

7	Van Edwards (Jr., 5-9, 210)
9	Manny Morgan (Sr., 5-8, 200)

Tight End/H-Back

36	Kobie Booker (Fr., 6-0, 273)
45	Brandon Junk (R-So., 6-2, 240)
44	Dylan Meeks (Fr., 6-2, 235)

X- Wide Receiver

3	Kwadarrius Smith (R-Jr., 5-9, 165)
21	Fransohn Bickley (R-Sr., 5-6, 150)

H- Wide Receiver

5	Tra'Von Chapman (R-Sr., 6-1, 215)
19	Andre Williams (Fr. 5-10, 178)
14	Dustin Burkhart (Fr., 6-0, 188)

Y- Wide Receiver

11	A.J. Coney (R-Sr., 5-8, 180)
15	Nate Stewart (R-Fr., 6-2, 210)

Z- Wide Receiver

82	Austin Wolf (Sr., 6-3, 210)
8	Kevin Gladney (R-Sr., 6-1, 210)

Left Tackle

59	Trevor Brown (So., 6-5, 290)
50	Undrea Bullard (Jr., 6-6, 300)
76	Rich Kallay (So., 6-5, 315)

Left Guard

56	Brandon Council (R-Fr., 6-4, 325)
73	Jonathan Neeley (R-Fr., 6-5, 300)

Center

57	Stephen Ericksen (Sr., 6-3, 305)
74	Xavier Quigley (R-Sr., 6-1, 290)
68	Andrew Siegman (R-Fr., 6-3, 300)

Right Guard

66	Kyle Ritz (Jr., 6-5, 305)
78	Austin Sample (R-Fr., 6-3, 200)
72	Hunter Corne (Fr., 6-4, 292)

Right Tackle

75	Jovann Letuli (Sr., 6-5, 330)
77	Cedric McCoy (R-Sr., 6-5, 310)
63	Nick Fazio (Jr., 6-3, 300)

DEFENSE (4-3)

Defensive End

9	Jamal Davis (R-Jr., 6-4, 235)
56	Deon'Tae Moore (Sr., 6-2, 220)

Defensive Tackle

50	Brock Boxen (Jr., 6-3, 290)
97	Brennan Williams (Jr., 6-1, 285)

Nose Tackle

91	Ibrahima Camara (Sr., 6-3, 285)
8	Darius Copeland (Sr., 6-1, 275)

Defensive End

94	Brian Reinke (Jr., 6-4, 255)
52	Josh Ward (So., 6-2, 240)

SAM Linebacker

10	Brian Bell (Jr., 6-3, 225)
23	Nathan Bischof (Jr., 6-2, 215)
25	Travonte Junius (Jr., 6-3, 210)

MIKE Linebacker

42	Andrew Hauser (R-Sr., 6-1, 230)
40	John Lako (So., 6-2, 230)

WILL Linebacker

5	Ulysees Gilbert III (Jr., 6-1, 225)
34	DeMarcus Lloyd (Sr., 6-0, 220)

Field Cornerback

24	Darian Dailey (R-Jr., 5-11, 180)
7	Jordan George (Jr., 6-0, 205)

Free Safety

1	Alvin Davis (So., 5-9, 170)
2	Shawn Featherstone (R-Jr., 6-2, 195)
29	Vince Lockett (So., 5-11, 205)

ROV

2	Shawn Featherstone (R-Jr., 6-2, 195)
31	Jamal Baggett (Jr. 5-11, 195)
18	Tyler Gilchrist (R-Fr., 5-10, 195)

Boundary Cornerback

4	Kyron Brown (Jr., 6-1, 190)
13	Denzel Butler (R-So., 5-9, 180)

SPECIALISTS

Kicker

48	Nick Gasser (Jr., 6-0, 175)
37	Tom O'Leary (R-Jr., 5-11, 195)
39	Zach Gingerich (Sr., 6-3, 200)

Punter

48	Nick Gasser (Jr., 6-0, 175)
47	Jerry Fitschen (So., 6-0, 210)
49	James Fonseca (R-Jr., 5-11, 170)

Long Snapper

88	Michael Buddenberg (Sr., 5-11, 220)
45	Brandon Junk (R-So., 6-2, 240)
27	Bubba Arslanian (Fr., 6-1, 210)

Holder

41	Kyle Foster (Jr., 6-2, 190)
1	Kato Nelson (R-Fr., 6-1, 205)
6	Nick Johns (R-So., 6-3, 225)

Punt Returner

11	A.J. Coney (R-Sr., 5-8, 180)
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Kickoff Returner

7	Van Edwards, Jr. (Jr., 5-9, 210)
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NUMERICAL ROSTER

1	Alvin Davis, Jr.	CB	So.	5-9	170
1	Kato Nelson	QB	R-Fr.	6-1	205
2	Shawn Featherstone	DB	R-Jr.	6-2	195
2	Alex Ramart	QB	Fr.	6-3	212
3	Kwadarrus Smith	WR	R-Jr.	5-9	165
3	DeMarkus Glover	LB	R-Fr.	6-1	220
4	Thomas Woodson	QB	Sr.	6-1	224
4	Kyron Brown	CB	Jr.	6-1	190
5	Ulysees Gilbert III	LB	Jr.	6-1	225
5	Tra'Von Chapman	WR	R-Sr.	6-1	215
6	Nick Johns	QB	R-So.	6-3	225
6	Jordyn Riley	DB	Fr.	5-10	180
7	Van Edwards, Jr.	RB	Jr.	5-9	210
7	Jordan George	DB	Jr.	6-0	205
8	Darius Copeland	DL	Sr.	6-1	275
8	Kevin Gladney	WR	R-Sr.	6-1	210
9	Manny Morgan	RB	Sr.	5-8	200
9	Jamal Davis II	DE	R-Jr.	6-4	235
10	Brian Bell	LB	Jr.	6-3	225
10	Mykel Traylor-Bennett	TE	R-Sr.	6-3	230
10	Robbie Kelley	QB	R-Jr.	6-2	215
11	A.J. Coney	WR	R-Sr.	5-8	180
11	Michael Kish	DE	Sr.	6-4	240
12	Darryl Long	TE	R-So.	6-4	250
12	DeAndre Brimage	DL	Fr.	6-0	276
12	Drew Hodgson	QB	Fr.	6-3	210
13	Denzel Butler	DB	So.	5-9	180
14	Dustin Burkhardt	WR	Fr.	6-0	188
15	Nate Stewart	WR	R-Fr.	6-2	210
15	Jeffrey Lubin	DB	Fr.	6-2	185
16	Jaquavis Dixon	WR	So.	6-2	200
16	Justin Sampson	DE	Fr.	6-2	210
17	Anthony Young	WR	Sr.	6-0	190
17	Cameron Lyons	LB/LS	Fr.	6-1	220
18	Tyler Gilchrist	S	R-Fr.	5-10	195
18	Malik Wooldridge	WR	Fr.	5-9	168
19	Andre Williams	WR	Fr.	5-10	178
19	Sammy Laster	LB	Fr.	5-11	185
20	Zaire Jacobs	DB	Fr.	5-11	185
21	Fransohn Bickley	WR	R-Sr.	5-6	150
22	Mikee Hayes	CB	Sr.	5-9	180
22	Deltron Sands	RB	R-So.	5-8	200
23	Nathan Bischof	LB	Jr.	6-2	215
24	Darian Dailey	CB	R-Jr.	5-11	180
25	Travonte Junius	LB	Jr.	6-3	210
27	Bubba Arslanian	LB/FB	Fr.	6-1	210
28	Mark Ellis	CB	So.	5-11	170
28	Jemarulin Suggs	RB	Fr.	5-11	174
29	Vince Lockett	S	So.	5-11	205
30	Chuck Turfe	RB	So.	5-11	195
31	Jamal Baggett	S	Jr.	5-11	195
32	Zach Guiser	S	Sr.	6-0	195
34	Warren Ball	RB	R-Sr.	6-1	225
34	DeMarcus Lloyd	LB	Sr.	6-0	220
35	Newman Williams	TE	Jr.	6-2	265
36	Kobie Booker	TE	Fr.	6-0	273
36	Caleb Green	DB	R-Jr.	6-0	205
37	Tom O'Leary	PK	R-Jr.	5-11	195
37	Jerome Cooper	DB	Fr.	5-11	195
38	Jonah Wieland	P	Fr.	6-1	215
38	Dayvon Robinson	DB	Fr.	6-1	175
39	Zach Gingerich	P/K	Sr.	6-3	200
39	Jason Grossman	WR	R-So.	5-11	165

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No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown High School Previous School
27	Bubba Arslanian	LB/FB	Fr.	6-1	210	Aurora, Ohio Aurora
31	Jamal Baggett	S	Jr.	5-11	195	Oak Park, Ill. Oak Park-River Forest
34	Warren Ball	RB	R-Sr.	6-1	225	Columbus, Ohio St. Francis DeSales Ohio State
43	Youssef Barakat	LB	So.	5-10	215	Akron, Ohio St. Vincent-St. Mary
10	Brian Bell	LB	Jr.	6-3	225	Valdosta, Ga. Lowndes
21	Fransohn Bickley	WR	R-Sr.	5-6	150	Akron, Ohio St. Vincent-St. Mary
23	Nathan Bischof	LB	Jr.	6-2	215	Akron, Ohio St. Vincent-St. Mary
36	Kobie Booker	TE	Fr.	6-0	273	Barberton, Ohio Barberton
50	Brock Boxen	DL	Jr.	6-3	290	New Galilee, Pa. Beaver Falls
12	DeAndre Brimage	DL	Fr.	6-0	276	Akron, Ohio East
4	Kyron Brown	CB	Jr.	6-1	190	Boynton Beach, Fla. Boynton Beach
59	Trevor Brown	OL	So.	6-5	290	Clinton, Md. Wise Jireh Prep
88	Michael Buddenberg	LS	Sr.	5-11	220	Massillon, Ohio Jackson
50	Undrea Bullard	OL	Jr.	6-6	300	St. Petersburg, Fla. Gibbs
14	Dustin Burkhardt	WR	Fr.	6-0	188	Akron, Ohio Coventry
13	Denzel Butler	DB	R-So.	5-9	180	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Coral Springs Charter WV Wesleyan
46	Hugh Cade	CB	Jr.	5-8	160	Akron, Ohio Buchtel
91	Ibrahima Camara	DL	Sr.	6-3	285	Reynoldsburg, Ohio Reynoldsburg Lackawanna
5	Tra'Von Chapman	WR	R-Sr.	6-1	215	Cincinnati, Ohio Kent Roosevelt Pittsburgh
61	Peyton Coffman	LS	R-Fr.	5-11	210	Grand Blanc, Mich. Fenton
11	A.J. Coney	WR	R-Sr.	5-8	180	Orlando, Fla. Oviedo Weber State
37	Jerome Cooper	DB	Fr.	5-11	195	Detroit, Mich. Stevenson
8	Darius Copeland	DL	Sr.	6-1	275	Ft. Myers, Fla. Ft. Myers
72	Hunter Corne	OL	Fr.	6-4	292	Dunnellon, Fla. Dunnellon
56	Brandon Council	OL	R-Fr.	6-4	325	Tar Heel, N.C. West Bladen Jireh Prep
24	Darian Dailey	CB	R-Jr.	5-11	180	Bradenton, Fla. Manatee Rutgers
1	Alvin Davis, Jr.	CB	So.	5-9	170	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Saint Thomas Aquinas
9	Jamal Davis II	DE	R-Jr.	6-4	235	Canton, Ohio McKinley Pittsburgh
16	Jaquavis Dixon	WR	So.	6-2	200	Oviedo, Fla. Hagerty
64	Rueben Durkee	OL	Fr.	6-5	250	Akron, Ohio Firestone
7	Van Edwards, Jr.	RB	Jr.	5-9	210	Cape Coral, Fla. Island Coast
28	Mark Ellis	CB	So.	5-11	170	Williamstown, N.J. Williamstown West Virginia
57	Stephen Erickson	OL	Sr.	6-3	305	Sherrodsboro, Ohio Carrollton
63	Nick Fazio	OL	Jr.	6-3	300	Streetsboro, Ohio Streetsboro Charleston
2	Shawn Featherstone	DB	R-Jr.	6-2	195	Pittsburgh, Pa. Penn Hills
47	Jerry Fitschen	PK/P	So.	6-0	210	Orange, Calif. Orange Lutheran
49	James Fonseca	PK/P	R-Jr.	5-11	170	Fontanay, Calif. Summit Riverside City College
41	Kyle Foster	P	Jr.	6-2	190	Parkersburg, W.Va. Parkersburg
48	Nick Gasser	PK/P	Jr.	6-0	175	Liberty Township, Ohio Lakota East
52	LaVonne Gauthney	OL	Sr.	6-1	285	Reynoldsburg, Ohio Reynoldsburg Hargrave (Va.) MA
7	Jordan George	DB	Jr.	6-0	205	Dayton, Ohio Archbishop Alter
5	Ulysees Gilbert III	LB	Jr.	6-1	225	Ocala, Fla. Trinity Catholic
18	Tyler Gilchrist	S	R-Fr.	5-10	195	Akron, Ohio Hoban
39	Zach Gingerich	P/K	Sr.	6-3	200	Bellefontaine, Ohio Bellefontaine
8	Kevin Gladney	WR	R-Sr.	6-1	210	Akron, Ohio Firestone Nebraska
3	DeMarkus Glover	LB	R-Fr.	6-1	220	St. Petersburg, Fla. Northside Christian
36	Caleb Green	DB	R-Jr.	6-0	205	Powell, Ohio Buckeye Valley CC of San Francisco
39	Jason Grossman	WR	R-So.	5-11	165	Culver City, Calif. Culver City
65	Hayden Grover	LS	Jr.	5-11	190	Spencer, N.Y. Spencer-Van Etten Central
32	Zach Guiser	S	Jr.	6-0	195	Fayette City, Pa. Greensburg Central Catholic
90	Matt Hanson	DL	Fr.	6-3	245	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Western
42	Andrew Hauser	LB	R-Sr.	6-1	230	Mason, Ohio William Mason
22	Mikee Hayes	CB	Sr.	5-9	180	Ocala, Fla. West Port
12	Drew Hodgson	QB	Fr.	6-3	210	Dublin, Ohio Dublin Coffman
20	Zaire Jacobs	DB	Fr.	5-11	185	Miami Gardens, Fla. St. Thomas Aquinas
6	Nick Johns	QB	R-So.	6-3	225	Leesburg, Va. Gonzaga Northeastern Okla. A&M
51	De'von Jones	DL	R-So.	6-4	225	Akron, Ohio Coventry
55	Tony Jones	LB	R-Jr.	6-1	225	Duluth, Ga. Peachtree Ridge Pierce
25	Travonte Junius	LB	Jr.	6-3	210	Akron, Ohio St. Vincent-St. Mary
45	Brandon Junk	TE	So.	6-2	240	Clearwater, Fla. Central Catholic
76	Rich Kallay	OL	So.	6-5	315	Largo, Fla. Central Catholic





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No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown / High School / Previous School
10	Robbie Kelley	QB	R-Jr.	6-2	215	Springfield, Ill. Rochester Quincy
11	Michael Kish	DE	Sr.	6-4	240	Pittsburgh, Pa. Brentwood
40	John Lako	LB	So.	6-2	230	Monroe, Mich. St. Mary Catholic
19	Sammy Laster	LB	Fr.	5-11	185	Miami Gardens, Fla. Miami Central
75	Jovann Letuli	OL	Sr.	6-5	330	San Diego, Calif. San Diego Grossmont
34	DeMarcus Lloyd	LB	Sr.	6-0	220	Vienna, Ga. Dooly County Butler County CC
29	Vince Lockett	S	So.	5-11	205	Akron, Ohio St. Vincent-St. Mary
12	Darryl Long	TE	R-So.	6-4	250	Columbus, Ohio Westerville South Kentucky
15	Jeffrey Lubin	DB	Fr.	6-2	185	Hollywood, Fla. South Broward
17	Cameron Lyons	LB/LS	Fr.	6-1	220	Morgantown, W.Va. Morgantown
77	Cedric McCoy	OL	R-Sr.	6-5	310	Palatka, Fla. Palatka Ellsworth CC
80	M.J. McGriff	WR	R-Fr.	5-8	190	Vero Beach, Fla. Vero Beach
44	Dylan Meeks	TE/DL	Fr.	6-2	235	Orlando, Fla. Dr. Phillips
56	Deon'Tae Moore	DE	Sr.	6-2	220	Akron, Ohio Kenmore
9	Manny Morgan	RB	Sr.	5-8	200	Naples, Fla. Naples
71	Shawn Muldowney II	OL	Fr.	6-4	295	Diamond, Ohio Southeast
73	Jonathan Neeley	OL	R-Fr.	6-5	300	Youngstown, Ohio Ursuline
1	Kato Nelson	QB	R-Fr.	6-1	205	Hollywood, Fla. Flanagan
37	Tom O'Leary	PK	R-Jr.	5-11	195	Tucker, Ga. St. Pius X Catholic
74	Xavier Quigley	OL	R-Sr.	6-1	290	Ankeny, Iowa Ankeny Iowa Western CC
2	Alex Ramart	QB	Fr.	6-3	212	Richmond, Texas Foster
60	Dean Ramicone	LB	So.	6-0	200	Brunswick, Ohio Brunswick
94	Brian Reinke	DL	Jr.	6-4	255	Akron, Ohio Copley Senior
86	Trevon Richardson	WR	So.	5-7	160	Akron, Ohio Kent Roosevelt
6	Jordyn Riley	DB	Fr.	5-10	180	Citra, Fla. North Marion
66	Kyle Ritz	OL	Jr.	6-5	305	Willoughby, Ohio Willoughby South
38	Dayvon Robinson	DB	Fr.	6-1	175	Paterson, N.J. Kennedy
78	Austin Sample	OL	R-Fr.	6-3	300	Sylvania, Ohio Northview
16	Justin Sampson	DE	Fr.	6-2	210	Akron, Ohio St. Vincent-St. Mary
22	Deltron Sands	RB	R-So.	5-8	200	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. St. Thomas Aquinas Oregon St.
68	Andrew Siegman	DL	R-Fr.	6-3	300	Brecksville, Ohio Brecksville-Broadview
3	Kwadarrius Smith	WR	R-Jr.	5-9	165	Orlando, Fla. First Academy Missouri
15	Nate Stewart	WR	R-Fr.	6-2	210	Bethlehem, Pa. Pius X
28	Jemarulin Suggs	RB	Fr.	5-11	174	Akron, Ohio East
10	Mykel Traylor-Bennett	TE	R-Sr.	6-3	230	Columbus, Ohio Reynoldsburg
30	Chuck Turfe	RB	So.	5-11	195	Canton, Mich. Canton
52	Josh Ward	LB	So.	6-2	240	Delray Beach, Fla. American Heritage
38	Jonah Wieland	P	Fr.	6-1	215	Hudson, Ohio Hudson
19	Andre Williams	WR	Fr.	5-10	178	Orlando, Fla. Winter Park
97	Brennan Williams	DL	Jr.	6-1	285	Akron, Ohio Firestone
35	Newman Williams	TE	Jr.	6-2	265	Akron, Ohio St. Vincent-St. Mary
82	Austin Wolf	WR	Sr.	6-3	210	Lebanon, Ohio Lebanon
54	Maverick Wolfley	LB	Fr.	6-3	225	Morgantown, W.Va. Morgantown West Virginia
4	Thomas Woodson	QB	Sr.	6-1	224	Monroeville, Pa. Gateway Senior
18	Malik Wooldridge	WR	Fr.	5-9	168	Akron, Ohio St. Vincent-St. Mary
17	Anthony Young	WR	Sr.	6-0	190	Medina, Ohio Lakewood St. Edward Indiana

Team Captains: Warren Ball, A.J. Coney, Zach Guiser

COACHING STAFF

Terry Bowden (West Virginia '78), Head Coach

Chuck Amato, Associate Head Coach | Defensive Coordinator

Todd Stroud, Assistant Head Coach | Defensive Line | Recruiting Coordinator

A.J. Milwee, Offensive Coordinator | Quarterbacks

Jeff Bowden, Special Teams Coordinator | Wide Receivers

Trent Boykin, Tight Ends | H-Backs

Brett Ekkens, Offensive Line

Eric Hickson, Running Backs

Otis Mounds, Cornerbacks | Defensive Passing Game Coordinator

Mike Woodford, Safeties

Hunter Bowden (Offense), **Dylan Evans** (Defense), **Andy Kwon** (Offense), **Nick Verna** (Defense),

Graduate Assistants

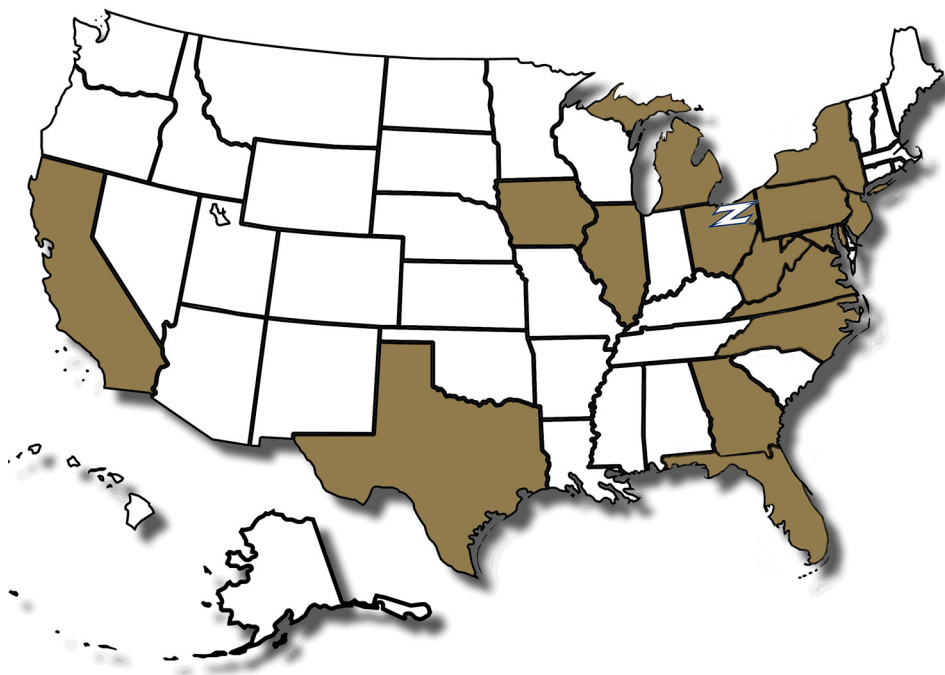


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40 John Lako	LB	So.	6-2	230
41 Kyle Foster	P	Jr.	6-2	190
42 Andrew Hauser	LB	R-Sr.	6-1	230
43 Youssef Barakat	LB	So.	5-10	215
44 Dylan Meeks	TE/DL	Fr.	6-2	235
45 Brandon Junk	TE	So.	6-2	240
46 Hugh Cade	CB	Jr.	5-8	160
47 Jerry Fitschen	PK/P	So.	6-0	210
48 Nick Gasser	PK/P	Jr.	6-0	175
49 James Fonseca	PK/P	R-Jr.	5-11	170
50 Brock Boxen	DL	Jr.	6-3	290
50 Undrea Bullard	OL	Jr.	6-6	300
51 De'von Jones	DL	R-So.	6-4	225
52 LaVonne Gauthney	OL	Sr.	6-1	285
52 Josh Ward	LB	So.	6-2	240
54 Maverick Wolfley	LB	Fr.	6-3	225
55 Tony Jones	LB	R-Jr.	6-1	225
56 Deon'Tae Moore	DE	Sr.	6-2	220
56 Brandon Council	OL	R-Fr.	6-4	325
57 Stephen Ericksen	OL	Sr.	6-3	305
59 Trevor Brown	OL	So.	6-5	290
60 Dean Ramicone	LB	So.	6-0	200
61 Peyton Coffman	LS	R-Fr.	5-11	210
63 Nick Fazio	OL	Jr.	6-3	300
64 Rueben Durkee	OL	Fr.	6-5	250
65 Hayden Grover	LS	Jr.	5-11	190
66 Kyle Ritz	OL	Jr.	6-5	305
68 Andrew Siegman	DL	R-Fr.	6-3	300
71 Shawn Muldowney II	OL	Fr.	6-4	295
72 Hunter Corne	OL	Fr.	6-4	292
73 Jonathan Neeley	OL	R-Fr.	6-5	300
74 Xavier Quigley	OL	R-Sr.	6-1	290
75 Jovann Letuli	OL	Sr.	6-5	330
76 Rich Kallay	OL	So.	6-5	315
77 Cedric McCoy	OL	R-Sr.	6-5	310
78 Austin Sample	OL	R-Fr.	6-3	300
80 M.J. McGriff	WR	R-Fr.	5-8	190
82 Austin Wolf	WR	Sr.	6-3	210
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88 Michael Buddenberg	LS	Sr.	5-11	220
90 Matt Hanson	DL	Fr.	6-3	245
91 Ibrahim Camara	DL	Fr.	6-3	285
94 Brian Reinke	DL	Jr.	6-4	255
97 Brennan Williams	DL	Jr.	6-1	285

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Fransohn Bickley	FRAN-shawn
Tra'Von Chapman	TRAY-von
LaVonne Gauthney	La-von Goth-knee
Devon Jones	Da-Vaughn
Travonte Junius	Tra-VON-tay
Rich Kallay	Kay-Lay
John Lako	LAKE-oh
Alex Ramart	ruh-mart
Brian Reinke	RINE-key
Jemarulin Suggs	juh-marlin
Mykel Traylor-Bennett	Michael
Chuck Turfe	TUR-fee



Player Hometown High School

California (4)

Jerry Fitschen	Orange	Orange Lutheran
James Fonseca	Fontanay	Summit
Jason Grossman	Culver City	Culver City
Jovann Letuli	San Diego	San Diego

Florida (29)

Kyron Brown	Boynton Beach	Boynton Beach
Undrea Bullard	St. Petersburg	Gibbs
Denzel Butler	Fort Lauderdale	Coral Springs Charter
A.J. Coney	Orlando	Oviedo
Darius Copeland	Ft. Myers	Ft. Myers
Hunter Corne	Dunnellon	Dunnellon
Darian Dailey	Bradenton	Manatee
Alvin Davis, Jr.	Fort Lauderdale	Saint Thomas Aquinas
Jaquavis Dixon	Oviedo	Hagerty
Van Edwards	Cape Coral	Island Coast
Ulysees Gilbert III	Ocala	Trinity Catholic
DeMarkus Glover	St. Petersburg	Northside Christian
Matt Hanson	Fort Lauderdale	Western
Mikee Hayes	Ocala	West Port
Zaire Jacobs	Miami Gardens	St. Thomas Aquinas
Brandon Junk	Clearwater	Central Catholic
Rich Kallay	Largo	Central Catholic
Sammy Laster	Miami Gardens	Miami Central
Jeffrey Lubin	Hollywood	South Broward
Cedric McCoy	Palatka	Palatka
M.J. McGriff	Vera Beach	Vera Beach
Dylan Meeks	Orlando	Dr. Phillips
Manny Morgan	Naples	Naples
Kato Nelson	Hollywood	Flanagan
Jordyn Riley	Citra	North Marion
Deltron Sands	Fort Lauderdale	Saint Thomas Aquinas
Kwadarrus Smith	Orlando	First Academy
Josh Ward	Delray Beach	American Heritage
Andre Williams	Orlando	Winter Park

Georgia (4)

Brian Bell	Valdosta	Lowndes
Tony Jones	Duluth	Peachtree Ridge
DeMarcus Lloyd	Vienna	Dooly County
Tom O'Leary	Tucker	St. Pius X Catholic

Illinois (2)

Jamal Baggett	Oak Park	River Forest
Robbie Kelley	Springfield	Rochester

Iowa (1)

Xavier Quigley	Ankeny	Ankeny
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Maryland (1)

Trevor Brown	Clinton	Wise
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Michigan (4)

Peyton Coffman	Grand Blanc	Fenton
Jerome Cooper	Stevenson	Stevenson
John Lako	Monroe	St. Mary Catholic
Chuck Turfe	Canton	Canton

New Jersey (2)

Mark Ellis	Williamstown	Williamstown
Dayvon Robinson	Paterson	Kennedy

New York (1)

Hayden Grover	Spencer	Spencer-van Etten Central
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North Carolina (1)

Brandon Council	Tar Heel	West Bladen
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Texas (1)

Alex Ramart	Richmond	Foster
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Virginia (1)

Nick Johns	Leesburg	Gonzaga
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Ohio (47)

Bubba Arslanian	Aurora	Aurora
Warren Ball	Columbus	St. Francis DeSales
Youssef Barakat	Akron	St. Vincent-St. Mary
Fransohn Bickley	Akron	St. Vincent-St. Mary
Nathan Bischof	Akron	St. Vincent-St. Mary
Kobie Booker	Barberton	Barberton
DeAndre Brimage	Akron	East
Michael Buddenberg	Massillon	Jackson
Dustin Burkhart	Akron	Coventry
Hugh Cade	Akron	Buchtel
Ibrahima Camara	Reynoldsburg	Reynoldsburg
Tra'Von Chapman	Cincinnati	Kent Roosevelt
Jamal Davis II	Canton	McKinley
Rueben Durkee	Akron	Firestone
Stephen Ericksen	Sherrodsboro	Carrollton
Nick Fazio	Streetsboro	Streetsboro
Nick Gasser	Liberty Township	Lakota East
LaVonne Gauthney	Reynoldsburg	Reynoldsburg
Jordan George	Dayton	Archbishop Alter
Tyler Gilchrist	Akron	Hoban
Zach Gingerich	Bellfontaine	Bellfontaine
Kevin Gladney	Akron	Firestone
Caleb Green	Powell	Buckeye Valley
Andrew Hauser	Mason	William Mason
Drew Hodgson	Dublin	Dublin
Devon Jones	Akron	Coventry
Travonte Junius	Akron	St. Vincent-St. Mary
Vince Lockett	Akron	St. Vincent-St. Mary
Darryl Long	Columbus	Westerville South
Deon'Tae Moore	Akron	Kenmore
Shawn Muldowney II	Diamond	Southeast
Jonathan Neeley	Youngstown	Ursuline
Dean Ramicone	Brunswick	Brunswick
Brian Reinke	Copley	Copley Senior
Trevon Richardson	Akron	Kent Roosevelt
Kyle Ritz	Willoughby	Willoughby South
Austin Sample	Sylvania	Northview
Justin Sampson	Akron	St. Vincent-St. Mary
Andrew Siegman	Brecksville	Brecksville-Broadview
Jemarulin Suggs	Akron	East
Mykel Traylor-Bennett	Reynoldsburg	Reynoldsburg
Jonah Wieland	Hudson	Hudson
Brennan Williams	Akron	Firestone
Newman Williams	Akron	St. Vincent-St. Mary
Austin Wolf	Lebanon	Lebanon
Malik Wooldridge	Akron	St. Vincent-St. Mary
Anthony Young	Medina	Lakewood St. Edward

Pennsylvania (6)

Brock Boxen	New Galilee	Beaver Falls
Shawn Featherstone	Pittsburgh	Penn Hills
Zach Guiser	Fayette City	Greensburg Central Catholic
Michael Kish	Pittsburgh	Brentwood
Nate Stewart	Bethlehem	Pius X
Thomas Woodson	Monroeville	Gateway Senior

West Virginia (3)

Kyle Foster	Parkersburg	Parkersburg
Cameron Lyons	Morgantown	Morgantown
Maverick Wolfley	Morgantown	Morgantown





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OFFENSE

#34 RB WARREN BALL

Rushes	28 at Troy, 9-23-17
Yards	146 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Long	43 vs. VMI, 9-3-16
TD	3 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Receptions	4 vs. Iowa State, 9-16-17
Yards	12 vs. VMI, 9-3-16
Long	12 vs. VMI, 9-3-16
TD	1 vs. Iowa State, 9-16-17

#21 WR FRANSOHN BICKLEY

Receptions	6 at Miami, 10-19-13
Yards	79 vs. Louisiana, 9-21-13
Long	45 vs. Kent State, 11-2-12
TD	2 vs. Louisiana, 9-21-13
Rushes	3 at Bowling Green, 9-28-13
Yards	22 at Bowling Green, 9-28-13
Long	9 at Bowling Green, 9-28-13
TD	0
KOR	3 (twice), last vs. Bowling Green, 9-28-13
KOR Yards	68 vs. Louisiana, 9-21-13
KOR Long	26 vs. Louisiana, 9-21-13

#36 TE KOBIE BOOKER

Receptions	2 (3X), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Yards	35 at Toledo, 10-21-17
Long	25 (twice), last vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
TD	1 (4X), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
KOR	1 (twice), last vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
KOR Yards	18 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
KOR Long	18 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17

#14 WR DUSTIN BURKHART

Receptions	1 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Yards	25 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Long	25 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
TD	

#5 WR TRA'VON CHAPMAN

Receptions	8 vs. Iowa State, 9-16-17
Yards	70 at Toledo, 10-21-17
Long	25 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
TD	1 (twice), last at Miami, 11-7-17
Rushes	14 (twice), last vs. #23 Western Michigan, 10-15-16
Yards	80 vs. Miami, 10-8-16
Long	70 vs. Miami, 10-8-16
TD	1 (4X), last vs. Bowling Green, 11-9-16
Completions	15 vs. Miami, 10-8-16
Attempts	31 vs. #23 Western Michigan, 10-15-16
Passing Yards	237 at Kent State, 10-1-16
TD	3 vs. Miami, 10-8-16
Long Pass	53 vs. Savannah State, 9-19-15

#11 WR A.J. CONEY

Receptions	7 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
Yards	91 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
Long	42 vs. Utah State, 12-22-15
TD	1 (4X), last vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
PR	3 (twice), last vs. Buffalo, 11-21-15
PR Yards	19 vs. Buffalo, 11-21-15
PR Long	10 vs. Pittsburgh, 9-12-15
KOR	2 (twice), last vs. Toledo, 11-2-16
KOR Yards	41 at Buffalo, 10-27-16
KOR Long	23 at Buffalo, 10-27-16
Tackles	2 at Louisiana, 9-26-15
Solo	1 (twice), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Asst.	1 at Louisiana, 9-26-15

#7 RB VAN EDWARDS

Rushes	20 vs. Bowling Green, 11-9-16
Yards	112 at Ball State, 10-22-16
Long	45 at Ball State, 10-22-16
TD	1 (5X), last at Bowling Green, 9-30-17
Receptions	2 (twice), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Yards	27 at Kent State, 10-1-16
Long	27 at Kent State, 10-1-16
TD	1 at Kent State, 10-1-16
KOR	5 vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
KOR Yards	156 at Kent State, 10-1-16
KOR Long	75 at Kent State, 10-1-16

#52 OL LAVONNE GAUTHNEY

KOR	1 vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
KOR Yards	8 vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
KOR Long	8 vs. Ohio, 11-14-17

#8 WR KEVIN GLADNEY

Receptions	3 (twice), last vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
Yards	36 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
Long	36 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
TD	1 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17

#6 QB NICK JOHNS

Completions	1 at #6 Penn State, 9-2-17
Attempts	2 at #6 Penn State, 9-2-17
Passing Yards	4 at #6 Penn State, 9-2-17
TD	
Long Pass	4 at #6 Penn State, 9-2-17

#45 TE BRANDON JUNK

Receptions	1 (twice), last vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
Yards	10 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Long	10 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
TD	

#10 QB ROBBIE KELLEY

Completions	5 (twice), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Attempts	9 vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Passing Yards	86 at Toledo, 10-21-17
TD	1 (twice), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Long Pass	47 at Toledo, 10-21-17

#44 TE/DL DYLAN MEEKS

Rushes	
Yards	
Long	
TD	
Receptions	
Yards	
Long	
TD	
Tackles	1 (twice), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Solo	1 (twice), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Asst.	

#9 RB MANNY MORGAN

Rushes	18 at Marshall, 9-17-16
Yards	130 at Marshall, 9-17-16
Long	61 at Marshall, 9-17-16
TD	1 (5X), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Receptions	2 (4X), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Yards	17 vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Long	13 at Troy, 9-23-17
TD	
KOR	1 at Western Michigan, 10-15-17
KOR Yards	5 at Western Michigan, 10-15-17
KOR Long	5 at Western Michigan, 10-15-17

#1 QB KATO NELSON

Completions	22 vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
Attempts	38 (twice), last vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
Passing Yards	322 vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
TD	4 vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
Long Pass	71 vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
Rushes	19 (twice), last vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
Yards	45 vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
Long	24 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
TD	1 at Miami, 11-7-17

#22 RB DELTRON SANDS

Rushes	7 (twice), last vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
Yards	70 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
Long	32 (twice), last vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
TD	1 (twice), last vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
Receptions	2 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
Yards	2 at Miami, 11-7-17
Long	
TD	
KOR	3 at Bowling Green, 9-30-17
KOR Yards	79 at Bowling Green, 9-30-17
KOR Long	34 at Bowling Green, 9-30-17

#3 WR KWADARRIUS SMITH

Receptions	6 at Miami, 11-7-17
Yards	132 vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
Long	71 vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
TD	2 vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
KOR	2 at Western Michigan, 10-15-17
KOR Yards	46 at Western Michigan, 10-15-17
KOR Long	29 at Western Michigan, 10-15-17





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#15 WR NATE STEWART

Receptions..... 1 (3X), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Yards..... 32 vs. Iowa State, 9-16-17
Long..... 32 vs. Iowa State, 9-16-17
TD

#30 RB CHUCK TURFE

Rushes..... 1 (twice), last vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
Yards..... 8 vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
Long..... 8 vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
TD

Tackles..... 1 (3X), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Solo..... 1 vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Asst..... 1 (twice), last vs. Ohio, 11-14-17

#19 WR ANDRE WILLIAMS

Receptions..... 2 at Miami, 11-7-17
Yards..... 37 vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Long..... 37 vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
TD

Rushes..... 1 at #6 Penn State, 9-2-17
Yards..... 7 at #6 Penn State, 9-2-17
Long..... 7 at #6 Penn State, 9-2-17
TD

Tackles..... 1 vs. Iowa State, 9-16-17
Solo..... 1 vs. Iowa State, 9-16-17
Asst.....

#35 TE NEWMAN WILLIAMS

Receptions..... 2 (3X), last at Ball State, 10-22-16
Yards..... 32 vs. Savannah State, 9-19-15
Long..... 16 vs. Savannah State, 9-19-15
TD

#82 WR AUSTIN WOLF

Receptions..... 7 vs. Appalachian State, 9-24-16
Yards..... 91 at Ball State, 10-22-16
Long..... 44 vs. #23 Western Michigan, 10-15-16
TD

Tackles..... 1 (13X), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Solo..... 1 at Eastern Michigan, 10-10-15
Assists.....
FR..... 1 at Eastern Michigan, 10-10-15

#4 QB THOMAS WOODSON

Completions..... 31 vs. Appalachian State, 9-24-16
Attempts..... 45 at Ohio, 10-18-14
Passing Yards..... 407 vs. VMI, 9-3-16
TD

Long Pass..... 72 at Louisiana, 9-26-15
Rushes..... 16 vs. Utah State, 12-22-15
Yards..... 93 at Louisiana, 9-26-15
Long..... 40 vs. Eastern Michigan, 10-4-14
TD

Receptions..... 1 (4X), last at Bowling Green, 9-30-17
Receptions..... 1 vs. Utah State, 12-22-15
Yards..... 14 vs. Utah State, 12-22-15
Long..... 14 vs. Utah State, 12-22-15
TD

Tackles..... 1 vs. Utah State, 12-22-15
Tackles..... 1 (twice), last vs. VMI, 9-3-16
Solos..... 1 (twice), last vs. VMI, 9-3-16
Asst.....

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#17 WR ANTHONY YOUNG

Receptions..... 4 (twice), last at #10 Wisconsin, 9-10-16
Yards..... 81 vs. Savannah State, 9-19-15
Long..... 53 vs. Savannah State, 9-19-15
TD

DEFENSE

#31 S JAMAL BAGGETT

Tackles..... 2 (twice), last vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
Solo..... 1 (3X), last at Miami, 11-7-17
Asst..... 2 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
Sacks..... 0.5 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
TFL..... 0.5 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
PBU..... 1 vs. Ohio, 11-14-17

#10 LB BRIAN BELL

Tackles..... 11 vs. Toledo, 11-2-16
Solo..... 7 vs. Toledo, 11-2-16
Asst..... 4 (twice), last vs. Toledo, 11-2-16
TFL..... 2.0 vs. Appalachian State, 9-24-16
FR..... vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
QBH..... 1 vs. Miami, 10-8-16
KOR..... 1 at Troy, 9-23-17
KOR Yards.....
KOR Long.....

#23 LB NATHAN BISCHOF

Tackles..... 3 at Troy, 9-23-17
Solo..... 2 (5X), last at Western Michigan, 10-15-17
Asst..... 2 (twice), last vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Sacks..... 1.0 vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
TFL..... 1.0 (twice), last at Western Michigan, 10-15-17
FR..... 1 vs. Miami, 10-8-16
PBU..... 1 vs. Ball State, 10-7-17

#50 DT BROCK BOXEN

Tackles..... 6 vs. VMI, 9-3-16
Solo..... 4 vs. VMI, 9-3-16
Asst..... 5 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
Sacks..... 1.0 (twice), last vs. #23 Western Michigan, 10-15-16
TFL..... 1.5 (twice), last vs. Miami, 10-8-16
FF..... 1 vs. Pittsburgh, 9-12-15
QBH..... 2 at Marshall, 9-17-16
Blocked FG..... 1 vs. VMI, 9-3-16

#12 DL DeANDRE BRIMAGE

Tackles..... 1 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Solo.....
Asst..... 1 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17

#4 CB KYRON BROWN

Tackles..... 9 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
Solo..... 4 (4X), last avs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
Asst..... 5 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
TFL..... 1.0 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
INT..... 1 (5X), last at Western Michigan, 10-15-17
INT TD..... 1 at Bowling Green, 9-30-17
PBU..... 4 at Miami, 11-7-17
FF..... 1 vs. Iowa State, 9-16-17
FR..... 1 vs. Toledo, 12-2-17





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#13 DB DENZEL BUTLER

Tackles 7 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
Solo 5 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
Asst. 3 at Troy, 9-23-17
INT 1 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
TFL 0.5 (twice), last vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
FR 1 at Troy, 9-23-17
PBU 1 (3X), last vs. Ohio, 11-14-17

#46 CB HUGH CADE

Tackles 1 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Solo 1 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Asst.

#91 DL IBRAHIMA CAMARA

Tackles 8 (twice), last vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
Solo 6 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
Asst. 6 at Toledo, 10-21-17
Sacks 1.0 at Troy, 9-23-17
TFL 1.0 (3X), last vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
FF 1 vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
PBU 1 at Troy, 9-23-17

#8 DL DARIUS COPELAND

Tackles 9 vs. VMI, 9-3-16
Solo 3 (twice), last vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
Asst. 7 vs. VMI, 9-3-16
Sacks 1.0 at Kent State, 10-1-16
TFL 1.5 vs. VMI, 9-3-16
FF 1 at Western Michigan, 10-15-17
QBH 1 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
PBU 1 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17

#24 CB DARIAN DAILEY

Tackles 6 vs. Iowa State, 9-16-17
Solo 4 (3X), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Asst. 3 (twice), last vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
TFL 1.0 at Western Michigan, 10-15-17
INT 1 (twice), last vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
FR 1 vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
PBU 1 (7X), last vs. Kent State, 11-21-17

#1 CB ALVIN DAVIS

Tackles 15 at Ball State, 10-22-16
Solo 10 at Western Michigan, 10-15-17
Asst. 7 at Ball State, 10-22-16
TFL 1 at #6 Penn State, 9-2-17
INT 1 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
FF 1 vs. Iowa State, 9-16-17
FR 1 (twice), last at Bowling Green, 9-30-17
PBU 1 (3X), last at Western Michigan, 10-15-17

#9 DE JAMAL DAVIS

Tackles 9 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
Solo 8 vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Asst. 7 at Toledo, 10-21-17
Sacks 1.0 (twice), last vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
TFL 3.5 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
FF 1 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
QBH 1 (3X), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17

#28 CB MARK ELLIS

Tackles 1 vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
Solo 1 vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
Asst.

#2 DB SHAWN FEATHERSTONE

Tackles 11 at Troy, 9-23-17
Solo 7 (3X), last vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
Asst. 8 at Marshall, 9-17-16
TFL 1.0 vs. VMI, 9-3-16
INT 1 (twice), last vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
FF 1 at Bowling Green, 9-30-17
FR 1 vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
PBU 1 (3X), last at Toledo, 10-21-17
QBH 1 (twice), last vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17

#7 CB JORDAN GEORGE

Tackles 11 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
Solo 8 vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17
Asst. 6 (twice), last vs. Toledo, 11-2-16
TFL 1.0 (7X), last vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
INT 1 (6X), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
FF 1 at Bowling Green, 9-30-17
PBU 2 at Troy, 9-23-17

#5 LB ULYSEES GILBERT III

Tackles 17 at Ball State, 10-22-16
Solo 10 at Kent State, 10-1-16
Asst. 12 at Ball State, 10-22-16
Sacks 2.0 vs. Bowling Green, 11-9-16
INT 1 (3X), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
INTTD 1 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
TFL 3.0 (4X), last vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
FF 1 (twice), last vs. Bowling Green, 11-9-16
FR 1 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
FR TD 1 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
PBU 2 (twice), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
QBH 2 (twice), last vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
PR 1 at Marshall, 9-17-16
PR TD 1 at Marshall, 9-17-16

#18 S TYLER GILCHRIST

Tackles 2 vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
Solo 2 vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
Asst.

#3 LB DEMARKUS GLOVER

Tackles 1 (4X), last at Toledo, 10-21-17
Solo 1 (3X), last at Toledo, 10-21-17
Asst. 1 at Bowling Green, 9-30-17

#32 S ZACH GUISER

Tackles 15 vs. Appalachian State, 9-24-16
Solo 8 at #6 Penn State, 9-2-17
Asst. 8 vs. Appalachian State, 9-24-16
Sacks 1.0 at Kent State, 10-1-16
TFL 1.0 (3X), last at #6 Penn State, 9-2-17
INT 1 (4X), last at #6 Penn State, 9-2-17
FF 1 at Miami (Ohio), 11-14-15
PBU 1 (6X), last vs. Iowa State, 9-16-17
Blocked punt 1 at Marshall, 9-17-16

#42 LB ANDREW HAUSER

Tackles 13 vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
Solo 7 vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
Asst. 6 vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
TFL 1.5 vs. VMI, 9-3-16
INT 1 vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
FF 1 at Bowling Green, 9-30-17
Blocked punt 1 at Eastern Michigan, 10-10-15
Blocked PAT 1 at Bowling Green, 9-30-17

#22 CB MIKEE HAYES

Tackles 2 at Toledo, 10-21-17
Solo 1 (4X), last vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
Asst. 1 (twice), last at Toledo, 10-21-17
TFL 0.5 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
PBU 1 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
KOR 1 at #10 Wisconsin, 9-10-16
KOR Yards 1 at #10 Wisconsin, 9-10-16
KOR Long 1 at #10 Wisconsin, 9-10-16

20 DB ZAIRE JACOBS

Tackles 1 (twice), last vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
Solo 1 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Asst. 1 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17

#51 DL DEVON JONES

Tackles 1 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Solo
Asst. 1 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17

#25 LB TRAVONTE JUNIUS

Tackles 3 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Solo 1 (7X), last vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
Asst. 2 (twice), last vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
TFL 0.5 at #10 Wisconsin, 9-10-16





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#11 DE MICHAEL KISH

Tackles 4 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Solo 2 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Asst. 2 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
TFL..... 1.0 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17

#40 LB JOHN LAKO

Tackles 13 vs. #23 Western Michigan, 10-15-16
Solo 7 at Bowling Green, 9-30-17
Asst. 11 vs. #23 Western Michigan, 10-15-16
Sacks..... 0.5 (twice), last vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
INT 1 (twice), last vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
INT TD..... 1 vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
TFL..... 1.5 vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
FF..... 1 (twice), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
PBU..... 1 vs. Miami, 10-8-16
QBH..... 1 (twice), last at Miami, 11-7-17

#3 LB DEMARCUS LLOYD

Tackles 5 (twice), last vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Solo 3 (twice), last vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Asst. 3 at Marshall, 9-17-16
Sacks..... 0.5 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
TFL..... 1.5 vs. Miami, 10-8-16
INT 1 at Marshall, 9-17-16
QBH 1 at Marshall, 9-17-16

#29 DB VINCE LOCKETT

Tackles 1 (3X), last at Ball State, 10-22-16
Solo 1 (twice), last vs. Miami, 10-8-16
Asst. 1 at Ball State, 10-22-16

#56 DE DEON'TAE MOORE

Tackles 4 at Bowling Green, 9-30-17
Solo 3 at Kent State, 10-1-16
Asst. 2 (6X), last vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
TFL..... 1.5 at Marshall, 9-17-16
Sacks..... 1.0 (3X), last vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
FF..... 1 at Marshall, 9-17-16
FR..... 1 at Bowling Green, 9-30-17
QBH 1 at Marshall, 9-17-16
PBU..... 1 at Kent State, 10-1-16

#94 DL BRIAN REINKE

Tackles 5 (3X), last at Miami, 11-7-17
Solo 3 (twice), last at Miami, 11-7-17
Asst. 4 vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
Sacks 1.5 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
TFL..... 2.0 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
PBU..... 1 at Bowling Green, 9-30-17
QBH 1 (twice), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17

#16 DE JUSTIN SAMPSON

Tackles 2 (twice), last vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
Solo 2 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
Asst.
Sacks..... 1.0 (twice), last vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
TFL..... 1.0 (twice), last vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
FF..... 1 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
QBH 1 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17

#52 JOSH WARD

Tackles 4 (twice), last at Toledo, 10-21-17
Solo 2 (twice), last vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
Asst. 3 (twice), last at Toledo, 10-21-17
TFL..... 1.0 (twice), last at #6 Penn State, 9-2-17
Sacks..... 1.0 at Ohio, 11-22-16
FF..... 1 at Ohio, 11-22-16
PBU..... 1 at Bowling Green, 9-30-17
QBH 1 (twice), last at Bowling Green, 9-30-17

#97 DL BRENNAN WILLIAMS

Tackles 4 vs. Appalachian State, 9-24-16
Solo 2 (4X), last at Troy, 9-23-17
Asst. 3 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
Sacks..... 1.0 vs. Savannah State, 9-19-15
TFL..... 1.5 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
FR..... 1 vs. Appalachian State, 9-24-16
QBH 1 (twice), last vs. Ohio, 11-14-17

#41 H KYLE FOSTER

Tackles 1 vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Solo
Asst. 1 vs. Toledo, 12-2-17

#48 P NICK GASSER

Punts 11 at #6 Penn State, 9-2-17
Yards 435 at #6 Penn State, 9-2-17
Game Avg. 45.9 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
Long..... 59 vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
Inside 20 5 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17

Kickoffs 9 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Yards 551 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Game Avg. 65.0 at Ball State, 10-22-16

Field Goals Made..... 1 (twice), last vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
FG Attempted 1 (4X), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Long..... 45 vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
Consecutive FG 0

PAT Made 4 (twice), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
PAT Attempted 4 (twice), last vs. Toledo, 12-2-17
Consecutive PAT 13

Tackles 1 (twice), last vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Solo 1 (twice), last vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Asst.

#39 PK ZACH GINGERICH

Kickoffs 2 vs. Appalachian State, 9-24-16
Yards 117 vs. Appalachian State, 9-24-16
Game Avg. 65.0 at #6 Penn State, 9-2-17

#37 PK TOM O'LEARY

Kickoffs 11 at Marshall, 9-17-16
Yards 648 at Marshall, 9-17-16
Game Avg. 65.0 vs. #23 Western Michigan, 10-15-16

Field Goals Made... 2 (twice), last vs. Bowling Green, 11-9-16
FG Attempted 2 (4X), last at Troy, 9-23-17
Long..... 48 vs. Ball State, 10-7-17
Consecutive FG 0

PAT Made 8 at Marshall, 9-17-16
PAT Attempted 9 at Marshall, 9-17-16
Consecutive PAT 13

SPECIALISTS

#88 LS MICHAEL BUDDENBERG

FR..... 1 at Louisiana, 9-26-15
Tackles 1 (10X), last vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
Solo 1 (7X), last vs. Kent State, 11-21-17
Asst. 1 (3X), last at Buffalo, 10-27-16

#47 P JERRY FITSCHEN

Punts 1 vs. VMI, 9-3-16
Yards 29 vs. VMI, 9-3-16
Game Avg. 29.0 vs. VMI, 9-3-16
Long..... 20 vs. VMI, 9-3-16
Inside 20

Kickoffs 1 vs. VMI, 9-3-16
Yards 56 vs. VMI, 9-3-16
Game Avg. 56.0 vs. VMI, 9-3-16

#49 P JAMES FONSECA

Punts 1 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Yards 15 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Game Avg. 15.0 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Long..... 15 vs. UAPB, 9-9-17
Inside 20





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2017 PLAYER PARTICIPATION

NO.	PLAYER	2017 GP-GS	CAREER GP-GS	PSU	UAPB	ISU	TROY	BGSU	BSU	WMU	TOLEDO	BUFF	MIAMI	OHIO	KSU	MAC TOLEDO	BOWL
31	BAGGETT, Jamal	10-0	18-0	XXX	XXX	RB	RB	RB	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
34	BALL, Warren	5-5	40-7 *	RB	RB	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1D	BELL, Brian	13-10	37-20	XXX	XXX	XXX	SAM	SAM	SAM	SAM	SAM	SAM	SAM	SAM	SAM	SAM	...
21	BICKLEY, Fransohn	7-2	30-10	WR	...	XXX	...	...	XXX	XXX	WR	XXX	...	...	...	XXX	...
23	BISCHOF, Nathan	13-2	33-2	SAM	SAM	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
36	BOOKER, Kobie \$	11-3	11-3	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	TE	XXX	XXX	TE	XXX	TE	XXX	...
50	BOXEN, Brock	13-12	30-20	XXX	NT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	...
2G	BRIMAGE, DeAndre \$	4-0	4-0	...	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...
4	BROWN, Kyron	13-13	38-14	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	...
59	BROWN, Trevor	13-13	18-14	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	...
88	BUDDENBERG, Michael	13-0	50-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
5H	BULLARD, Undrea	3-0	7-0	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...
14	BURKHART, Dustin \$	11-0	11-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
13	BUTLER, Denzel	13-2	13-2	XXX	XXX	XXX	S	XXX	XXX	XXX	S	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
46	CADE, Hugh	2-0	2-0	...	XXX	...	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
91	CAMARA, Ibrahima	13-10	23-15	DT	XXX	XXX	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	...
5	CHAPMAN, TraVon	13-6	25-12	WR	XXX	XXX	WR	XXX	WR	XXX	WR	WR	XXX	WR	XXX	XXX	...
11	CONEY, A.J.	13-12	37-18	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	XXX	WR	WR	WR	...
8	COPELAND, Darius	11-4	41-16	NT	XXX	NT	...	XXX	XXX	DT	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	NT	...
6G	COUNCIL, Brandon #	9-8	9-8	XXX	LG	...	...	...	...	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	LG	...
24	DAILEY, Darian	13-12	13-12	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	XXX	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	...
1	DAVIS, Alvin	13-12	25-19	FS	FS	FS	XXX	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	FS	...
9D	DAVIS, Jamal	13-11	13-11	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	XXX	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	XXX	DE	...
7	EDWARDS, Van	13-3	35-10	XXX	RB	XXX	XXX	XXX	RB	XXX	XXX	RB	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
28	ELLIS, Mark	2-0	2-0	...	...	...	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	XXX	...	...
57	ERICKSEN, Stephen	13-13	36-26	LG	C	LG	LG	LG	LG	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	...
63	FAZIO, Nick	4-0	4-0	...	XXX	...	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...
2	FEATHERSTONE, Shawn	12-2	24-4	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	S	S	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	...
47	FITSCHEN, Jerry	1-0	1-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
49	FONSECA, James	1-0	2-0	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
41	FOSTER, Kyle	12-0	36-0	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
48	GASSER, Nick	13-0	25-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
2F	GAUTHNEY, LaVonne	8-4	32-18	C	...	...	C	C	C	...	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	...
7D	GEORGE, Jordan	13-8	32-13	XXX	XXX	CB	S	XXX	XXX	XXX	CB	S	S	S	S	S	...
5D	GILBERT, Ulysees	13-13	38-25	WILL	WILL	WILL	WILL	WILL	WILL	WILL	WILL	WILL	WILL	WILL	WILL	WILL	...
18	GILCHRIST, Tyler	3-0	3-0	...	...	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
39	GINGERICH, Zach #	1-0	4-0	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
8D	GLADNEY, Kevin	12-4	26-4 *	XXX	WR	WR	XXX	WR	WR	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
3D	GLOVER, DeMarkus #	6-0	7-0	...	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	...
32	GUISE, Zach	3-3	37-24	S	S	S	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
42	HAUSER, Andrew	13-13	44-19	MIKE	MIKE	MIKE	MIKE	MIKE	MIKE	MIKE	MIKE	MIKE	MIKE	MIKE	MIKE	MIKE	...
22	HAYES, Mikee	13-0	27-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
20	JACOBS, Zaire \$	6-0	6-0	...	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
6	JOHNS, Nick	8-0	8-0	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
51	JONES, De'von	11-0	11-0	...	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
55	JONES, Tony	1-0	1-0	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
25	JUNIUS, Travonte	12-0	23-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
45	JUNK, Brandon	11-3	21-4	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	TE	TE	...	TE	...
10	KELLEY, Robbie	5-0	23-11 *	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	XXX	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	XXX	...
1F	KISH, Michael	9-0	20-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
40	LAKO, John	13-0	25-3	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
75	LETULI, Jovann	13-13	24-24	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	...
4F	LLOYD, DeMarcus	3-0	14-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
29	LOCKETT, Vince	...	11-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
12	LONG, Darryl	12-0	12-0	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
77	McCOY, Cedric	5-0	13-0	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
44	MEES, Dylan \$	13-0	13-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
56	MOORE, Deon'Tae	11-1	23-4	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	DE	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
9	MORGAN, Manny	13-5	35-8	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	RB	XXX	RB	XXX	RB	RB	RB	...
73	NEELEY, Jonathan #	12-0	12-0	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
1Q	NELSON, Kato #	9-4	9-4	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	QB	QB	QB	QB	...
37	O'LEARY, Tom	8-0	22-0	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	...
74	QUIGLEY, Xavier	11-1	23-2	XXX	XXX	C	XXX	...	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
94	REINKE, Brian	13-13	25-13	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	...
66	RITZ, Kyle	13-13	38-30	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	...
78	SAMPLE, Austin #	4-0	4-0	...	XXX	...	...	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...
6F	SAMPSON, Justin \$	12-0	12-0	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
3G	SANDS, Deltron	10-1	10-1	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	RB	...	...	...	...
3	SMITH, Kwadarrus	13-7	23-8	XXX	WR	WR	XXX	XXX	XXX	WR	WR	XXX	WR	XXX	WR	WR	...
15	STEWART, Nate #	7-0	7-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	XXX	...	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	...
30	TURFE, Chuck	11-0	12-0	...	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
52	WARD, Josh	13-1	25-1	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	DE	XXX	XXX	...
19	WILLIAMS, Andre \$	11-0	11-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
97	WILLIAMS, Brennan	13-1	27-2	XXX	DT	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
35	WILLIAMS, Newman	7-4	22-11	TE	...	TE	TE	TE	...	...	...	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
82	WOLF, Austin	11-10	41-22	...	...	XXX	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	...
4	WOODSON, Thomas	10-9	39-29	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	...	...	...	XXX	...
17	YOUNG, Anthony	8-0	20-1	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...

XXX - Played POS - Position Started ... - Did Not Play
 # - Redshirt Freshman \$ - True Freshman
 * includes participation from other D-I schools



2017 FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



GAME 14 at FAU | BOCA RATON BOWL

2017 STARTING LINE-UPS

OFFENSE (SPREAD)											
Game	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	X-WR	TE/H	Y-WR	H-WR/Z-WR	QB	RB
at Penn State	T. Brown	Ericksen	Gauthney	Ritz	Letuli	Bickley	N. Williams	Coney	Chapman	Woodson	Ball
UAPB	T. Brown	Council	Ericksen	Ritz	Letuli	K. Smith	Edwards (RB)	Coney	Gladney	Woodson	Ball
Iowa State	T. Brown	Ericksen	Quigley	Ritz	Letuli	K. Smith	N. Williams	Coney	Gladney	Woodson	Ball
at Troy	T. Brown	Ericksen	Gauthney	Ritz	Letuli	Wolf	N. Williams	Coney	Chapman	Woodson	Ball
at BGSU	T. Brown	Ericksen	Gauthney	Ritz	Letuli	Wolf	N. Williams	Coney	Gladney	Woodson	Ball
Ball State	T. Brown	Ericksen	Gauthney	Ritz	Letuli	Wolf	Chapman (WR)	Coney	Gladney	Woodson	Edwards
at WMU	T. Brown	Council	Ericksen	Ritz	Letuli	Wolf	Booker	Coney	K. Smith	Woodson	Edwards
at Toledo	T. Brown	Council	Ericksen	Ritz	Letuli	Wolf	Chapman (WR)	Coney	K. Smith	Woodson	Bickley (WR)
Buffalo	T. Brown	Council	Ericksen	Ritz	Letuli	Wolf	Morgan (RB)	Coney	Chapman	Woodson	Edwards
at Miami	T. Brown	Council	Ericksen	Ritz	Letuli	Wolf	Booker	Junk (TE)	K. Smith	Nelson	Sands
Ohio	T. Brown	Council	Ericksen	Ritz	Letuli	Wolf	Junk	Coney	Chapman	Nelson	Morgan
Kent State	T. Brown	Council	Ericksen	Ritz	Letuli	Wolf	Booker	Coney	K. Smith	Nelson	Morgan
vs. Toledo	T. Brown	Council	Ericksen	Ritz	Letuli	Wolf	Junk	Coney	K. Smith	Nelson	Morgan

DEFENSE (4-3)											
Game	DE	DT	NT	DE	SAM	MIKE	WILL	CB	FS	ROV	CB
at Penn State	J. Davis	Camara	Copeland	Reinke	Bischof	Hauser	Gilbert	Dailey	A. Davis	Guiser	K. Brown
UAPB	J. Davis	B. Williams	Boxen	Reinke	Bischof	Hauser	Gilbert	Dailey	A. Davis	Guiser	K. Brown
Iowa State	J. Davis	Boxen	Copeland	Reinke	George (CB)	Hauser	Gilbert	Dailey	A. Davis	Guiser	K. Brown
at Troy	J. Davis	Boxen	Camara	Reinke	Bell	Hauser	Gilbert	Dailey	George	Butler	K. Brown
at BGSU	J. Davis	Boxen	Camara	Reinke	Bell	Hauser	Gilbert	Dailey	A. Davis	Featherstone	K. Brown
Ball State	Moore	Boxen	Camara	Reinke	Bell	Hauser	Gilbert	Dailey	A. Davis	Featherstone	K. Brown
at WMU	J. Davis	Boxen	Camara	Reinke	Bell	Hauser	Gilbert	Dailey	A. Davis	Copeland (DT)	K. Brown
at Toledo	J. Davis	Boxen	Camara	Reinke	Bell	Hauser	Gilbert	George	A. Davis	Butler	K. Brown
Buffalo	J. Davis	Boxen	Camara	Reinke	Bell	Hauser	Gilbert	Dailey	A. Davis	George	K. Brown
at Miami	J. Davis	Boxen	Camara	Reinke	Bell	Hauser	Gilbert	Dailey	A. Davis	George	K. Brown
Ohio	J. Davis	Ward	Boxen	Reinke	Bell	Hauser	Gilbert	Dailey	A. Davis	George	K. Brown
Kent State	J. Davis	Boxen	Camara	Reinke	Bell	Hauser	Gilbert	Dailey	A. Davis	George	K. Brown
vs. Toledo	J. Davis	Boxen	Copeland	Reinke	Bell	Hauser	Gilbert	Dailey	A. Davis	George	K. Brown

AKRON STATISTICAL LEADERS

Game	Rushing (Att-Yds.TD)	Passing (C-A-I-Y-TD)	Receiving (Att-Yds-TD)	Tackles (S-A-T)
at Penn State	Kato Nelson (9-39-0)	Thomas Woodson (12-23-1-71-0)	Tra'Von Chapman (3-10-0)	Zach Guiser (8-2-10)
UAPB	Warren Ball (20-146-3)	Thomas Woodson (15-21-0-166-1)	Tra'Von Chapman (5-55-0)	Ulysees Gilbert (6-4-10)
Iowa State	Warren Ball (11-40-0)	Thomas Woodson (25-40-1-240-2)	Tra'Von Chapman (8-53-0)	Ulysees Gilbert (4-8-12)
at Troy	Warren Ball (28-112-1)	Thomas Woodson (20-40-2-268-1)	Kwadarrius Smith (4-103-1)	Shawn Featherstone (7-4-11)
at BGSU	Van Edwards (14-70-1)	Thomas Woodson (13-24-1-168-2)	A.J. Coney (5-42-1)	Ulysees Gilbert (8-3-11)
Ball State	Deltron Sands (6-52-1)	Thomas Woodson (17-30-0-211-2)	A.J. Coney (6-90-0)	U. Gilbert (8-5-13) A. Hauser (7-6-13)
at WMU	Manny Morgan (12-53-1)	Thomas Woodson (13-24-1-127-1)	A.J. Coney (3-38-0)	Alvin Davis (10-2-12)
at Toledo	Van Edwards (9-25-0)	Thomas Woodson (18-33-1-205-2)	Tra'Von Chapman (6-70-1)	Gilbert Camara J. Davis (8)
Buffalo	Deltron Sands (7-70-0)	Thomas Woodson (21-29-1-286-3)	A.J. Coney (7-91-0)	Jordan George (8-3-11)
at Miami	Manny Morgan (10-41-0)	Kato Nelson (19-38-0-218-1)	Kwadarrius Smith (6-69-0)	Alvin Davis (7-2-9)
Ohio	Manny Morgan (14-55-1)	Kato Nelson (22-38-0-322-4)	Tra'Von Chapman (7-58-0)	Ulysees Gilbert (3-8-11)
Kent State	Van Edwards (9-55-0)	Kato Nelson (6-20-1-69-1)	Manny Morgan (2-4-0)	Ulysees Gilbert (6-8-14)
vs. Toledo	Manny Morgan (11-51-1)	Kato Nelson (8-18-0-177-2)	Kwadarrius Smith (3-114-1)	Ulysees Gilbert Jordan George (5-5-10)

2017 AKRON FOOTBALL SCHEDULE | RESULTS

Date	Opponent	W/L	Score	Overall	MAC	Time	Attendance
Sept. 2	at #6 Penn State [ABC]	L	0-52	0-1	-	3:25	101,684
Sept. 9	ARKANSAS PINE BLUFF [ESPN3]	W	52-3	1-1	-	3:18	17,464
Sept. 16	IOWA STATE [CBS-SN]	L	14-41	1-2	-	3:34	22,811
Sept. 23	at Troy [ESPN3]	L	17-22	1-3	-	3:43	27,324
Sept. 30	*at Bowling Green [ESPN3]	W	34-23	2-3	1-0	3:18	15,111
Oct. 7	*BALL STATE [Homecoming] [ESPN3]	W	31-3	3-3	2-0	3:03	20,199
Oct. 15	*at Western Michigan [stream]	W	14-13	4-3	3-0	3:07	5,000
Oct. 21	*at Toledo [ESPN3]	L	21-48	4-4	3-1	3:15	20,414
Oct. 28	*BUFFALO [CBS-SN]	W	21-20	5-4	4-1	3:15	17,427
Nov. 7	*at Miami (Ohio) [ESPN2]	L	14-24	5-5	4-2	3:23	12,813
Nov. 14	*OHIO [ESPN2]	W	37-34	6-5	5-2	3:50	17,832
Nov. 21	*KENT STATE [ESPN2]	W	24-14	7-5	6-2	3:13	21,683
Dec. 2	MAC Championship Game vs. Toledo	L	28-45	7-6	6-2	3:54	16,225
Dec. 19	Boca Raton Bowl Game- at Florida Atlantic	7 PM	ESPN				

Home games in CAPS

*Mid-American Conference game



2017 FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



2017 TEAM STATISTICS

Team Statistics	AKRON	OPP
SCORING	307	342
Points Per Game	23.6	26.3
Points Off Turnovers	94	65
FIRST DOWNS	245	299
Rushing	85	132
Passing	133	138
Penalty	27	29
RUSHING YARDAGE	1406	2555
Yards gained rushing	1737	2834
Yards lost rushing	331	279
Rushing Attempts	422	510
Average Per Rush	3.3	5.0
Average Per Game	108.2	196.5
TDs Rushing	14	19
PASSING YARDAGE	2872	3063
Comp-Att-Int	232-426-11	266-434-19
Average Per Pass	6.7	7.1
Average Per Catch	12.4	11.5
Average Per Game	220.9	235.6
TDs Passing	24	22
TOTAL OFFENSE	4278	5618
Total Plays	848	944
Average Per Play	5.0	6.0
Average Per Game	329.1	432.2
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	33-602	45-898
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	6-12	20-280
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	19-398	11-85
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	18.2	20.0
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	2.0	14.0
INT RETURN AVERAGE	20.9	7.7
FUMBLES-LOST	12-6	15-8
PENALTIES-Yards	84-824	84-825
Average Per Game	63.4	63.5
PUNTS-Yards	81-3284	54-2078
Average Per Punt	40.5	38.5
Net punt average	36.3	36.4
KICKOFFS-Yards	58-3362	71-4328
Average Per Kick	58.0	61.0
Net kick average	37.7	39.8
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	28:49	31:11
3RD-DOWN Conversions	77/188	62/178
3rd-Down Pct	41%	35%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	7/13	12/22
4th-Down Pct	54%	55%
SACKS BY-Yards	21-132	33-210
MISC YARDS	0	41
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	42	42
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	5-11	17-26
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-1	0-0
RED-ZONE SCORES	(23-31) 74%	(38-49) 78%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(20-31) 65%	(28-49) 57%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(40-42) 95%	(39-41) 95%
ATTENDANCE	117416	193914
Games/Avg Per Game	6/19569	6/32319
Neutral Site Games		1/16225

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Akron	78	103	35	91	0	307
Opponents	100	99	82	61	0	342





2017 INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing	gp-gs	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
MORGAN, Manny	13-5	99	420	27	393	4.0	4	42	30.2
EDWARDS, Van	13-3	94	361	18	343	3.6	2	24	26.4
BALL, Warren	5-5	75	361	29	332	4.4	4	32	66.4
NELSON, Kato	9-4	81	306	129	177	2.2	1	24	19.7
SANDS, Deltron	10-1	25	174	1	173	6.9	2	32	17.3
TURFE, Chuck	11-0	2	14	0	14	7.0	0	8	1.3
WILLIAMS, Andre	11-0	1	7	0	7	7.0	0	7	0.6
TEAM	6-0	2	0	8	-8	-4.0	0	0	-1.3
WOODSON, Thomas	10-9	43	94	119	-25	-0.6	1	12	-2.5
Total	13	422	1737	331	1406	3.3	14	42	108.2
Opponents	13	510	2834	279	2555	5.0	19	80	196.5

Passing	gp-gs	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
WOODSON, Thomas	10-9	121.03	159-278-9	57.2	1777	14	45	177.7
NELSON, Kato	9-4	127.80	61-125-2	48.8	909	8	71	101.0
KELLEY, Robbie	6-0	164.44	11-20-0	55.0	182	2	47	30.3
JOHNS, Nick	8-0	66.80	1-2-0	50.0	4	0	4	0.5
CHAPMAN, Tra'Von	13-6	0.00	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	13	124.52	232-426-11	54.5	2872	24	71	220.9
Opponents	13	128.55	266-434-19	61.3	3063	22	50	235.6

Receiving	gp-gs	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
CHAPMAN, Tra'Von	13-6	50	456	9.1	2	30	35.1
CONEY, A.J.	13-12	41	523	12.8	3	33	40.2
SMITH, Kwadarrius	13-7	34	726	21.4	7	71	55.8
WOLF, Austin	11-10	30	450	15.0	5	43	40.9
MORGAN, Manny	13-5	12	58	4.8	0	13	4.5
BICKLEY, Fransohn	7-2	11	148	13.5	1	23	21.1
GLADNEY, Kevin	12-4	10	116	11.6	1	36	9.7
BOOKER, Kobie	11-3	8	126	15.8	4	25	11.5
EDWARDS, Van	13-3	8	33	4.1	0	13	2.5
YOUNG, Anthony	8-0	7	60	8.6	0	17	7.5
BALL, Warren	5-5	7	18	2.6	1	11	3.6
WILLIAMS, Andre	11-0	4	70	17.5	0	37	6.4
STEWART, Nate	7-0	3	45	15.0	0	32	6.4
SANDS, Deltron	10-1	3	2	0.7	0	2	0.2
JUNK, Brandon	11-3	2	14	7.0	0	10	1.3
BURKHART, Dustin	11-0	1	25	25.0	0	25	2.3
WILLIAMS, Newman	7-4	1	2	2.0	0	2	0.3
Total	13	232	2872	12.4	24	71	220.9
Opponents	13	266	3063	11.5	22	50	235.6

Punt Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
CONEY, A.J.	4	6	1.5	0	4
FEATHERSTONE, Sha	2	6	3.0	0	4
Total	6	12	2.0	0	4
Opponents	20	280	14.0	1	61

Interceptions	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
GEORGE, Jordan	5	58	11.6	0	28
GILBERT, Ulysees	3	69	23.0	1	30
FEATHERSTONE, Sha	2	86	43.0	0	45
BROWN, Kyron	2	108	54.0	1	70
LAKO, John	2	35	17.5	1	35
DAILEY, Darian	1	40	40.0	0	40
DAVIS, Alvin	1	2	2.0	0	2
HAUSER, Andrew	1	0	0.0	0	0
GUISE, Zach	1	0	0.0	0	0
BUTLER, Denzel	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	19	398	20.9	3	70
Opponents	11	85	7.7	0	39

Kick Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
EDWARDS, Van	19	375	19.7	0	28
SANDS, Deltron	8	184	23.0	0	34
BOOKER, Kobie	2	29	14.5	0	18
CONEY, A.J.	1	2	2.0	0	2
BELL, Brian	1	-1	-1.0	0	0
MORGAN, Manny	1	5	5.0	0	5
GAUTHNEY, LaVonne	1	8	8.0	0	8
Total	33	602	18.2	0	34
Opponents	45	898	20.0	0	50

Fumble Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
DAVIS, Alvin	1	16	16.0	0	16
GILBERT, Ulysees	1	40	40.0	1	40
Total	2	56	28.0	1	40
Opponents	1	7	7.0	0	7





2017 INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Scoring	td	fg	PAT				dxd	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass			
SMITH, Kwadarrus	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42
O'LEARY, Tom	-	3-7	26-27	-	-	-	-	-	35
BALL, Warren	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
WOLF, Austin	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
MORGAN, Manny	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
BOOKER, Kobie	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
GASSER, Nick	-	2-4	13-14	-	-	-	-	-	19
CONEY, A.J.	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
SANDS, Deltron	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
CHAPMAN, Tra'Von	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
EDWARDS, Van	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
GILBERT, Ulysees	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
WOODSON, Thomas	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
NELSON, Kato	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
BROWN, Kyron	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
GLADNEY, Kevin	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
LAKO, John	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
BICKLEY, Fransohn	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
GINGERICH, Zach	-	-	1-1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Total	42	5-11	40-42	-	-	-	-	-	307
Opponents	42	17-26	39-41	-	-	0-1	-	-	342

Total Offense	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
WOODSON, Thomas	10	321	-25	1777	1752	175.2
NELSON, Kato	9	206	177	909	1086	120.7
MORGAN, Manny	13	99	393	0	393	30.2
EDWARDS, Van	13	94	343	0	343	26.4
BALL, Warren	5	75	332	0	332	66.4
KELLEY, Robbie	6	20	0	182	182	30.3
SANDS, Deltron	10	25	173	0	173	17.3
TURFE, Chuck	11	2	14	0	14	1.3
WILLIAMS, Andre	11	1	7	0	7	0.6
JOHNS, Nick	8	2	0	4	4	0.5
TEAM	6	2	-8	0	-8	-1.3
Total	13	848	1406	2872	4278	329.1
Opponents	13	944	2555	3063	5618	432.2

Field Goals	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
O'LEARY, Tom	3-7	42.9	0-0	1-1	1-3	1-3	0-0	48	0
GASSER, Nick	2-4	50.0	1-1	0-0	0-1	1-2	0-0	45	1

FG Sequence	Akron	Opponents
Penn State	-	39,(47)
Arkansas Pine Bluff	(34)	(25)
Iowa State	-	(40),(40),25
Troy	(28),34	(22),32
Bowling Green	47	(25)
Ball State	(48)	(31)
Western Michigan	-	25,(49),49,(35)
Toledo	40	(40),55,(29)
Buffalo	37	(37),(36),46
Miami	31	(28)
OHIO	(19)	(19),(46)
KENT STATE	(45)	52
Toledo	42	33,(47)

Punting	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
GASSER, Nick	78	3269	41.9	59	3	28	24	14	2
TEAM	2	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FONSECA, James	1	15	15.0	15	0	0	0	0	0
Total	81	3284	40.5	59	3	28	24	14	2
Opponents	54	2078	38.5	56	5	25	14	4	0

Kickoffs	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydln
GASSER, Nick	58	3362	58.0	11	1			
Total	58	3362	58.0	11	1	20.0	37.7	27
Opponents	71	4328	61.0	36	2	18.2	39.8	25

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.





2017 INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

All Purpose	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
EDWARDS, Van	13	343	33	0	375	0	751	57.8
SMITH, Kwadarr	13	0	726	0	0	0	726	55.8
CONEY, A.J.	13	0	523	6	2	0	531	40.8
CHAPMAN, Tra'	13	0	456	0	0	0	456	35.1
MORGAN, Man	13	393	58	0	5	0	456	35.1
WOLF, Austin	11	0	450	0	0	0	450	40.9
SANDS, Deltron	10	173	2	0	184	0	359	35.9
BALL, Warren	5	332	18	0	0	0	350	70.0
NELSON, Kato	9	177	0	0	0	0	177	19.7
BOOKER, Kobie	11	0	126	0	29	0	155	14.1
BICKLEY, Frans	7	0	148	0	0	0	148	21.1
GLADNEY, Kevi	12	0	116	0	0	0	116	9.7
BROWN, Kyrion	13	0	0	0	0	108	108	8.3
FEATHERSTON	12	0	0	6	0	86	92	7.7
WILLIAMS, Andr	11	7	70	0	0	0	77	7.0
GILBERT, Ulyse	13	0	0	0	0	69	69	5.3
YOUNG, Anthon	8	0	60	0	0	0	60	7.5
GEORGE, Jorda	13	0	0	0	0	58	58	4.5
STEWART, Nat	7	0	45	0	0	0	45	6.4
DAILEY, Darian	13	0	0	0	0	40	40	3.1
LAKO, John	13	0	0	0	0	35	35	2.7
BURKHART, Du	11	0	25	0	0	0	25	2.3
JUNK, Brandon	11	0	14	0	0	0	14	1.3
TURFE, Chuck	11	14	0	0	0	0	14	1.3
GAUTHNEY, La	8	0	0	0	8	0	8	1.0
DAVIS, Alvin	13	0	0	0	0	2	2	0.2
WILLIAMS, New	7	0	2	0	0	0	2	0.3
BELL, Brian	13	0	0	0	-1	0	-1	-0.1
TEAM	6	-8	0	0	0	0	-8	-1.3
WOODSON, Th	10	-25	0	0	0	0	-25	-2.5
Total	13	1406	2872	12	602	398	5290	406.9
Opponents	13	2555	3063	280	898	85	6881	529.3





2017 DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

#	Defensive Leaders	gp-gs	Tackles				Sacks no-yds	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot	tfl/yds		int-yds	brup	qbh	rcv-yds	ff	kick	saf
5D	GILBERT, Ulysees	13-13	62	66	128	8.5-41	5.0-22	3-69	4	5	1-40	.	.	.
1	DAVIS, Alvin	13-12	49	23	72	1.0-6	.	1-2	2	.	1-16	1	.	.
7D	GEORGE, Jordan	13-8	41	27	68	3.0-10	.	5-58	3	.	.	1	.	.
40	LAKO, John	13-0	31	30	61	4.0-12	1.0-8	2-35	.	4	.	2	.	.
2	FEATHERSTONE, Sha	12-2	36	23	59	1.5-2	.	2-86	2	1	1-0	1	.	.
9D	DAVIS, Jamal	13-11	34	25	59	13.5-41	2.0-14	.	.	3	.	1	.	.
1D	BELL, Brian	13-10	30	22	52	4.5-11	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
42	HAUSER, Andrew	13-13	24	24	48	2.5-8	.	1-0	.	.	.	1	1	.
94	REINKE, Brian	13-13	21	24	45	7.5-21	3.5-11	.	1	2	.	.	.	.
4D	BROWN, Kyron	13-13	30	12	42	1.0-2	.	2-108	11	.	1-0	1	.	.
24	DAILEY, Darian	13-12	29	10	39	1.0-5	.	1-40	7	.	1-0	.	.	.
91	CAMARA, Ibrahim	13-10	19	17	36	2.0-8	1.0-7	.	1	1	.	1	.	.
13	BUTLER, Denzel	13-2	22	14	36	1.0-1	.	1-0	3	.	1-0	.	.	.
50	BOXEN, Brock	13-12	11	21	32	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
52	WARD, Josh	13-1	11	11	22	1.0-6	.	.	1	2	.	.	.	.
23	BISCHOF, Nathan	13-2	11	5	16	2.0-9	1.0-5	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
32	GUISER, Zach	3-3	14	2	16	1.0-3	.	1-0	1	.	.	.	.	.
56	MOORE, Deon'Tae	11-2	6	9	15	3.0-23	3.0-23	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
97	WILLIAMS, Brennan	13-1	5	8	13	2.0-12	0.5-5	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
8	COPELAND, Darius	11-4	7	4	11	1.0-1	.	.	1	1	.	1	.	.
25	JUNIUS, Travonte	12-0	7	3	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
6F	SAMPSON, Justin	11-0	4	3	7	2.5-22	2.5-22	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
4F	LLOYD, DeMarcus	3-0	4	3	7	2.0-11	0.5-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
31	BAGGETT, Jamal	10-0	2	4	6	0.5-4	0.5-4	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
3D	GLOVER, DeMarkus	8-0	4	1	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1F	KISH, Michael	9-0	3	2	5	1.0-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
22	HAYES, Mikee	13-0	3	2	5	0.5-0	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
30	TURFE, Chuck	11-0	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
88	BUDDENBERG, Micha	13-0	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44	MEEKS, Dylan	13-0	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
20	JACOBS, Zaire	6-0	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
48	GASSER, Nick	13-0	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
18	GILCHRIST, Tyler	3-0	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3G	SANDS, Deltron	10-1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
11	CONEY, A.J.	13-12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
19	WILLIAMS, Andre	11-0	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
51	JONES, Devon	11-0	.	1	1	0.5-5	0.5-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
8F	ELLIS, Mark	2-0	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
2G	BRIMAGE, DeAndre	4-0	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
41	FOSTER, Kyle	11-0	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
46	CADE, Hugh	2-0	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TM	TEAM	6-0	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
9	MORGAN, Manny	13-5	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
16	DIXON, Jaquavis	1-0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
Total		13	537	402	939	68-267	21-132	19-398	40	23	8-56	12	1	.
Opponents		13	387	494	881	82-323	33-210	11-85	47	26	6-7	9	3	.





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Date	Opponent	Score	Att.
* Sep 30, 2017	at Bowling Green	W 34-23	15111
* Oct 07, 2017	BALL STATE	W 31-3	20199
* Oct 15, 2017	at Western Michigan	W 14-13	16568
* Oct 21, 2017	at Toledo	L 21-48	20414
* Oct 28, 2017	BUFFALO	W 21-20	17427
* Nov 07, 2017	at Miami	L 14-24	12813
* Nov 14, 2017	OHIO	W 37-34	17832
* Nov 21, 2017	KENT STATE	W 24-14	21683

Rushing	gp-gs	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
MORGAN, Manny	8-4	81	344	25	319	3.9	3	42	39.9
EDWARDS, Van	8-2	64	245	11	234	3.7	1	24	29.2
SANDS, Deltron	6-1	16	133	1	132	8.2	1	32	22.0
NELSON, Kato	5-3	60	222	106	116	1.9	1	24	23.2
WOODSON, Thomas	5-5	25	64	56	8	0.3	1	11	1.6
TURFE, Chuck	8-0	1	8	0	8	8.0	0	8	1.0
BALL, Warren	1-1	3	8	1	7	2.3	0	7	7.0
Total	8	252	1024	208	816	3.2	7	42	102.0
Opponents	8	337	1793	150	1643	4.9	8	68	205.4

Passing	gp-gs	effc	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
WOODSON, Thomas	5-5	136.25	82-140-4	58.6	997	10	43	199.4
NELSON, Kato	5-3	124.91	49-98-1	50.0	662	6	71	132.4
KELLEY, Robbie	3-0	221.77	5-7-0	71.4	86	1	47	28.7
Total	8	134.16	136-245-5	55.5	1745	17	71	218.1
Opponents	8	117.17	156-266-14	58.6	1676	13	50	209.5

Receiving	gp-gs	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
CONEY, A.J.	8-7	28	349	12.5	2	33	43.6
CHAPMAN, Tra'Von	8-4	28	300	10.7	2	30	37.5
WOLF, Austin	8-8	22	338	15.4	4	43	42.2
SMITH, Kwadarrius	8-4	18	372	20.7	4	71	46.5
MORGAN, Manny	8-4	9	28	3.1	0	7	3.5
BICKLEY, Fransohn	4-1	7	105	15.0	1	23	26.2
BOOKER, Kobie	8-3	6	112	18.7	3	25	14.0
GLADNEY, Kevin	7-2	5	80	16.0	1	36	11.4
EDWARDS, Van	8-2	5	18	3.6	0	13	2.2
WILLIAMS, Andre	6-0	3	33	11.0	0	20	5.5
SANDS, Deltron	6-1	3	2	0.7	0	2	0.3
YOUNG, Anthony	4-0	1	4	4.0	0	4	1.0
JUNK, Brandon	7-2	1	4	4.0	0	4	0.6
Total	8	136	1745	12.8	17	71	218.1
Opponents	8	156	1676	10.7	13	50	209.5

Field Goals	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
O'LEARY, Tom	1-4	25.0	0-0	0-0	0-1	1-3	0-0	48	0
GASSER, Nick	2-3	66.7	1-1	0-0	0-1	1-1	0-0	45	0

Scoring	td	fg	PAT				dxp	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass			
WOLF, Austin	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
SMITH, Kwadarrius	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
O'LEARY, Tom	-	1-4	16-17	-	-	-	-	-	19
MORGAN, Manny	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
BOOKER, Kobie	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
GASSER, Nick	-	2-3	9-10	-	-	-	-	-	15
CHAPMAN, Tra'Von	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
CONEY, A.J.	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
LAKO, John	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
GILBERT, Ulysees	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
BROWN, Kyron	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
SANDS, Deltron	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
NELSON, Kato	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
EDWARDS, Van	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
GLADNEY, Kevin	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	27	3-7	25-27	-	-	-	-	-	196
Opponents	21	11-16	20-21	-	-	-	-	-	179

Record:	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
All games	6-2	4-0	2-2	0-0
Conference	6-2	4-0	2-2	0-0
Non-Conference	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0

Team Statistics	AKRON	OPP
FIRST DOWNS	144	190
Rushing	49	98
Passing	80	78
Penalty	15	14
RUSHING YARDAGE	816	1643
Rushing Attempts	252	337
Average Per Rush	3.2	4.9
Average Per Game	102.0	205.4
TDs Rushing	7	8
PASSING YARDAGE	1745	1676
Comp-Att-Int	136-245-5	156-266-14
Average Per Pass	7.1	6.3
Average Per Catch	12.8	10.7
Average Per Game	218.1	209.5
TDs Passing	17	13
TOTAL OFFENSE	2561	3319
Average Per Play	5.2	5.5
Average Per Game	320.1	414.9
KICK RETURNS: #Yards	26-476	29-637
PUNT RETURNS: #Yards	4-9	7-57
INT RETURNS: #Yards	14-323	5-19
FUMBLES-LOST	8-3	8-4
PENALTIES-Yards	42-406	45-432
PUNTS-AVG	48-40.7	37-37.2
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	28:01	31:59
3RD-DOWN Conversions	41/107	43/118
4TH-DOWN Conversions	4/8	8/13

Interceptions	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
GEORGE, Jordan	4	38	9.5	0	28
BROWN, Kyron	2	108	54.0	1	70
FEATHERSTONE, Sha	2	86	43.0	0	45
BUTLER, Denzel	1	0	0.0	0	0
HAUSER, Andrew	1	0	0.0	0	0
DAVIS, Alvin	1	2	2.0	0	2
GILBERT, Ulysees	1	14	14.0	0	14
LAKO, John	1	35	35.0	1	35
DAILEY, Darian	1	40	40.0	0	40

Punting	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
GASSER, Nick	46	1953	42.5	59	2	20	15	10	2
TEAM	2	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Punt Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
CONEY, A.J.	3	7	2.3	0	4
FEATHERSTONE, Sha	1	2	2.0	0	0
Total	4	9	2.2	0	4
Opponents	7	57	8.1	0	24

Kick Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
EDWARDS, Van	15	288	19.2	0	28
SANDS, Deltron	6	144	24.0	0	34
BOOKER, Kobie	2	29	14.5	0	18
GAUTHNEY, LaVonne	1	8	8.0	0	8
MORGAN, Manny	1	5	5.0	0	5
CONEY, A.J.	1	2	2.0	0	2
Total	26	476	18.3	0	34
Opponents	29	637	22.0	0	50

All Purpose	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
EDWARDS, Van	8	234	18	0	288	0	540	67.5
SMITH, Kwadarri	8	0	372	0	0	0	372	46.5





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#	Defensive Leaders	gp-gs	Tackles				Sacks	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot	tfl/yds		int-yds	brup	qbh	rcv-yds	ff	kick	saf
5D	GILBERT, Ulysees	8-8	43	41	84	7.5-36	4.0-17	1-14	1	3	1-40	.	.	.
1	DAVIS, Alvin	8-8	32	13	45	.	.	1-2	1	.	1-16	.	.	.
7D	GEORGE, Jordan	8-5	24	19	43	1.0-7	.	4-38	1	.	.	1	.	.
40	LAKO, John	8-0	24	19	43	3.5-11	1.0-8	1-35	.	2	.	.	.	.
1D	BELL, Brian	8-8	24	16	40	3.5-10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
2	FEATHERSTONE, Sha	7-2	23	16	39	1.5-2	.	2-86	2	1	1-0	1	.	.
9D	DAVIS, Jamal	8-6	16	20	36	5.5-14	1.0-5	.	.	1	.	1	.	.
94	REINKE, Brian	8-8	17	17	34	5.5-14	3.5-11	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
42	HAUSER, Andrew	8-8	16	16	32	0.5-1	.	1-0	.	.	.	1	1	.
4D	BROWN, Kyron	8-8	19	11	30	1.0-2	.	2-108	8	.	.	.	.	.
91	CAMARA, Ibrahim	8-8	15	13	28	1.0-1	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
13	BUTLER, Denzel	8-1	19	9	28	0.5-0	.	1-0	2	.	.	.	.	.
50	BOXEN, Brock	8-8	7	17	24	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
24	DAILEY, Darian	8-7	17	6	23	1.0-5	.	1-40	5	.	.	.	.	.
52	WARD, Josh	8-1	7	7	14	.	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
56	MOORE, Deon'Tae	7-2	4	7	11	2.0-17	2.0-17	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
23	BISCHOF, Nathan	8-0	7	2	9	2.0-9	1.0-5	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
97	WILLIAMS, Brennan	8-0	2	7	9	2.0-12	0.5-5	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
8	COPELAND, Darius	7-1	6	3	9	1.0-1	.	.	1	.	.	1	.	.
25	JUNIUS, Travonte	7-0	5	1	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
31	BAGGETT, Jamal	7-0	2	4	6	0.5-4	0.5-4	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
6F	SAMPSON, Justin	7-0	2	2	4	1.5-14	1.5-14	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
22	HAYES, Mikee	8-0	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3D	GLOVER, DeMarkus	5-0	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
88	BUDDENBERG, Micha	8-0	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30	TURFE, Chuck	8-0	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
18	GILCHRIST, Tyler	1-0	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1F	KISH, Michael	4-0	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44	MEEKS, Dylan	8-0	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
20	JACOBS, Zaire	3-0	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
9	MORGAN, Manny	8-4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
8F	ELLIS, Mark	2-0	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3G	SANDS, Deltron	6-1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
16	DIXON, Jaquavis	1-0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
Total		8	345	272	617	41-160	15-86	14-323	25	14	4-56	6	1	.
Opponents		8	252	266	518	45-199	19-136	5-19	24	11	3-7	6	2	.





AKRON GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

TEAM STATISTICS

Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	
Sep 02	at Penn State	34	73	0	13	14	86	0	13	14-29-1	86	0	13	4	77	0	24	0	0	0	0	159
Sep 09	ARKANSAS PINE BLUFF	44	267	5	32	17	197	1	25	17-26-0	197	1	25	1	27	0	27	2	3	0	4	464
Sep 16	IOWA STATE	24	38	0	19	27	293	2	45	27-44-2	293	2	45	1	23	0	23	0	0	0	0	331
Sep 23	at Troy	35	99	1	16	20	268	1	42	20-40-2	268	1	42	1	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	367
Sep 30	at Bowling Green	40	178	2	24	14	183	2	43	14-25-1	183	2	43	4	90	0	34	0	0	0	0	361
Oct 07	BALL STATE	31	134	1	32	18	249	2	38	18-31-0	249	2	38	0	0	0	0	2	7	0	4	383
Oct 15	at Western Michigan	31	88	1	29	13	127	1	21	13-24-1	127	1	21	3	51	0	29	0	0	0	0	215
Oct 21	at Toledo	24	42	0	9	23	291	3	47	23-40-1	291	3	47	3	66	0	25	0	0	0	0	333
Oct 28	BUFFALO	25	76	0	32	21	286	3	41	21-29-1	286	3	41	4	88	0	28	0	0	0	0	362
Nov 07	at Miami	30	55	1	15	19	218	1	30	19-38-0	218	1	30	4	56	0	23	0	0	0	0	273
Nov 14	OHIO	32	121	1	21	22	322	4	71	22-38-0	322	4	71	6	90	0	22	1	2	0	0	443
Nov 21	KENT STATE	39	122	1	42	6	69	1	25	6-20-1	69	1	25	2	35	0	26	1	0	0	0	191
Dec 02	vs Toledo	33	113	1	12	18	283	3	59	18-42-1	283	3	59	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	396
		422	1406	14	42	232	2872	24	71	232-426-11	2872	24	71	33	602	0	34	6	12	0	4	4278
Opponents		510	2555	19	80	266	3063	22	50	266-434-19	3063	22	50	45	898	0	50	20	280	1	61	5618

Games: 13 • Avg/rush: 3.3 • Avg/catch: 12.4 • Pass effc: 124.52 • KR avg: 18.2 • PR avg: 2.0 • All purpose avg/game: 406.9 • Total offense avg/gm: 329.1

		Tackles				Sacks	Fumble		Pass Defense			blkd	PAT Attempts			off		
Date	Opponent	ua	a	total	tfl-yds	no-yds	ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
Sep 02	at Penn State	35	18	53	7.0-29	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-0	0	1	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 09	ARKANSAS PINE BLUFF	34	26	60	10.0-53	5.0-39	0	0-0	2-30	1	2	0	7-7	0	0	0	7	52
Sep 16	IOWA STATE	42	28	70	4.0-7	0.0-0	2	0-0	0-0	0	4	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	14
Sep 23	at Troy	38	32	70	3.0-10	1.0-7	1	1-0	0-0	3	6	0	2-2	0	0	0	3	17
Sep 30	at Bowling Green	55	26	81	4.0-29	2.0-16	3	2-16	2-48	3	3	1	4-5	0	0	0	14	34
Oct 07	BALL STATE	53	36	89	6.0-37	5.0-36	0	0-0	3-75	3	3	0	4-4	0	0	0	7	31
Oct 15	at Western Michigan	55	30	85	7.0-24	2.0-6	1	0-0	1-70	0	3	0	2-2	0	0	0	7	14
Oct 21	at Toledo	32	48	80	3.0-4	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-14	0	1	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	21
Oct 28	BUFFALO	51	32	83	4.0-11	1.0-5	0	0-0	1-0	1	3	0	3-3	0	0	0	7	21
Nov 07	at Miami	36	20	56	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	2-41	2	5	0	2-2	0	0	0	7	14
Nov 14	OHIO	31	38	69	5.0-7	0.0-0	0	1-0	2-73	1	5	0	4-5	0	0	0	21	37
Nov 21	KENT STATE	32	42	74	12.0-48	5.0-23	2	1-40	2-2	4	2	0	3-3	0	0	0	14	24
Dec 02	vs Toledo	43	26	69	3.0-8	0.0-0	3	3-0	2-45	5	2	0	4-4	0	0	0	7	28
		537	402	939	68.0-267	21.0-132	12	8-56	19-398	23	40	1	40-42	0	0	0	94	307
Opponents		387	494	881	82.0-323	33.0-210	9	6-7	11-85	26	47	3	39-41	0	0	0	65	342

		Punting										Field Goals			Kickoffs				
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	
Sep 02	at Penn State	11	435	39.5	47	0	0	2	0	2	0-0	0	0	1	65	65.0	0	0	
Sep 09	ARKANSAS PINE BLUFF	3	89	29.7	37	0	0	1	0	1	1-1	34	0	9	551	61.2	3	0	
Sep 16	IOWA STATE	7	279	39.9	47	0	1	1	0	2	0-0	0	0	3	160	53.3	0	0	
Sep 23	at Troy	5	229	45.8	56	0	0	3	1	2	1-2	28	0	4	248	62.0	0	0	
Sep 30	at Bowling Green	4	172	43.0	53	0	0	1	1	2	0-1	0	0	6	347	57.8	0	0	
Oct 07	BALL STATE	6	270	45.0	59	0	1	3	2	2	1-1	48	0	6	366	61.0	2	0	
Oct 15	at Western Michigan	7	253	36.1	47	0	0	4	0	1	0-0	0	0	3	133	44.3	0	0	
Oct 21	at Toledo	4	173	43.2	53	0	0	2	1	1	0-1	0	0	4	194	48.5	0	0	
Oct 28	BUFFALO	4	167	41.8	52	0	0	2	1	2	0-1	0	0	4	241	60.2	1	0	
Nov 07	at Miami	6	274	45.7	55	0	0	3	1	1	0-1	0	0	3	178	59.3	1	0	
Nov 14	OHIO	8	277	34.6	50	1	1	3	1	1	1-1	19	0	7	414	59.1	2	0	
Nov 21	KENT STATE	9	367	40.8	58	1	0	2	3	5	1-1	45	0	4	225	56.2	1	0	
Dec 02	vs Toledo	7	299	42.7	51	0	0	1	3	2	0-1	0	1	4	240	60.0	1	1	
		81	3284	40.5	59	2	3	28	14	24	5-11	48	1	58	3362	58.0	11	1	
Opponents		54	2078	38.5	56	0	5	25	4	14	17-26	49	0	71	4328	61.0	36	2	





OPPONENT GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

OPPONENT STATISTICS

Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	
Sep 02	at Penn State	34	247	4	80	21	322	2	43	21-31-1	322	2	43	1	20	0	20	5	130	1	61	569
Sep 09	ARKANSAS PINE BLUFF	34	41	0	20	14	127	0	20	14-25-2	127	0	20	6	70	0	22	1	2	0	2	168
Sep 16	IOWA STATE	37	191	3	32	24	317	2	43	24-33-0	317	2	43	3	34	0	20	3	17	0	17	508
Sep 23	at Troy	29	179	2	48	28	314	1	47	28-42-0	314	1	47	4	105	0	28	1	8	0	8	493
Sep 30	at Bowling Green	41	181	1	39	25	195	2	31	25-39-2	195	2	31	6	164	0	50	2	27	0	24	376
Oct 07	BALL STATE	44	155	0	19	24	221	0	31	24-46-3	221	0	31	4	108	0	36	0	0	0	0	376
Oct 15	at Western Michigan	53	244	0	23	17	182	1	50	17-29-1	182	1	50	3	25	0	24	1	15	0	15	426
Oct 21	at Toledo	43	303	1	20	18	323	5	40	18-28-1	323	5	40	3	83	0	40	1	0	0	0	626
Oct 28	BUFFALO	34	141	2	14	34	313	0	40	34-50-1	313	0	40	3	56	0	24	0	0	0	0	454
Nov 07	at Miami	34	176	0	17	19	244	3	30	19-32-2	244	3	30	2	40	0	23	0	0	0	0	420
Nov 14	OHIO	43	282	3	68	10	113	1	27	10-23-2	113	1	27	5	122	0	36	2	15	0	4	395
Nov 21	KENT STATE	45	161	1	28	9	85	1	21	9-19-2	85	1	21	3	39	0	23	1	0	0	0	246
Dec 02	vs Toledo	39	254	2	54	23	307	4	29	23-37-2	307	4	29	2	32	0	18	3	66	0	48	561
		510	2555	19	80	266	3063	22	50	266-434-19	3063	22	50	45	898	0	50	20	280	1	61	5618
Akron		422	1406	14	42	232	2872	24	71	232-426-11	2872	24	71	33	602	0	34	6	12	0	4	4278

Games: 13 • Avg/rush: 5.0 • Avg/catch: 11.5 • Pass effc: 128.55 • KR avg: 20.0 • PR avg: 14.0 • All purpose avg/game: 529.3 • Total offense avg/gm: 432.2

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks		Fumble		Pass Defense			blkd	PAT Attempts			off		
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds	no-yds	ff	fr-yds		int-yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
Sep 02	at Penn State	22	56	78	14.0-36	3.0-13	1	0-0		1-0	3	3	0	7-7	0	0	0	7	52
Sep 09	ARKANSAS PINE BLUFF	23	60	83	2.0-9	0.0-0	0	0-0		0-0	3	2	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3
Sep 16	IOWA STATE	32	28	60	11.0-43	5.0-29	1	1-0		2-58	0	3	0	5-5	0	0	0	10	41
Sep 23	at Troy	32	40	72	4.0-11	2.0-9	0	1-0		2-0	4	5	0	1-2	0	0	0	0	22
Sep 30	at Bowling Green	42	26	68	4.0-11	1.0-7	3	2-7		1-0	1	3	0	2-3	0	0	0	13	23
Oct 07	BALL STATE	26	42	68	7.0-14	2.0-6	0	0-0		0-0	1	2	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3
Oct 15	at Western Michigan	29	32	61	6.0-21	2.0-10	0	0-0		1-0	1	2	0	1-1	0	0	0	7	13
Oct 21	at Toledo	31	34	65	2.0-12	1.0-11	1	1-0		1-0	3	4	0	6-6	0	0	0	14	48
Oct 28	BUFFALO	30	24	54	4.0-23	1.0-13	1	0-0		1-0	0	2	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	20
Nov 07	at Miami	35	36	71	7.0-39	6.0-34	0	0-0		0-0	5	5	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	24
Nov 14	OHIO	36	32	68	4.0-11	0.0-0	0	0-0		0-0	0	5	1	4-4	0	0	0	0	34
Nov 21	KENT STATE	23	40	63	11.0-68	6.0-55	1	0-0		1-19	0	1	1	2-2	0	0	0	7	14
Dec 02	vs Toledo	26	44	70	6.0-25	4.0-23	1	1-0		1-8	5	10	1	6-6	0	0	0	7	45
		387	494	881	82.0-323	33.0-210	9	6-7		11-85	26	47	3	39-41	0	0	0	65	342
Akron		537	402	939	68.0-267	21.0-132	12	8-56		19-398	23	40	1	40-42	0	0	0	94	307

		Punting									Field Goals			Kickoffs				
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
Sep 02	at Penn State	2	100	50.0	56	0	1	0	1	0	1-2	47	0	9	561	62.3	4	1
Sep 09	ARKANSAS PINE BLUFF	5	193	38.6	48	0	0	2	0	0	1-1	25	0	2	111	55.5	0	1
Sep 16	IOWA STATE	3	120	40.0	46	0	0	3	0	0	2-3	40	0	8	520	65.0	7	0
Sep 23	at Troy	4	172	43.0	52	0	1	1	1	0	1-2	22	0	5	297	59.4	4	0
Sep 30	at Bowling Green	5	205	41.0	48	0	0	3	0	2	1-1	25	0	5	282	56.4	1	0
Oct 07	BALL STATE	7	255	36.4	43	0	0	3	0	4	1-1	31	0	2	130	65.0	2	0
Oct 15	at Western Michigan	3	74	24.7	28	0	0	0	0	2	2-4	49	0	4	229	57.2	1	0
Oct 21	at Toledo	1	45	45.0	45	0	0	0	0	1	2-3	40	0	9	580	64.4	6	0
Oct 28	BUFFALO	4	144	36.0	51	0	0	3	1	2	2-3	37	0	5	279	55.8	1	0
Nov 07	at Miami	5	180	36.0	47	0	2	1	0	1	1-1	28	0	4	239	59.8	0	0
Nov 14	OHIO	4	154	38.5	44	0	0	3	0	0	2-2	46	0	7	396	56.6	1	0
Nov 21	KENT STATE	8	321	40.1	56	0	1	3	1	0	0-1	0	0	3	184	61.3	1	0
Dec 02	vs Toledo	3	115	38.3	46	0	0	3	0	2	1-2	47	0	8	520	65.0	8	0
		54	2078	38.5	56	0	5	25	4	14	17-26	49	0	71	4328	61.0	36	2
Akron		81	3284	40.5	59	2	3	28	14	24	5-11	48	1	58	3362	58.0	11	1





RED ZONE STATISTICS

Akron Inside Opponent Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times		Total	Rush	Pass	FGs	Failed to score inside RZ					
			In RZ	Scored	Pts	TDs	TDs	Made	FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
Sep 02, 2017	at Penn State	L 0-52	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 09, 2017	ARKANSAS PINE BLUFF	W 52-3	7	7	45	6	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 16, 2017	IOWA STATE	L 14-41	1	1	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 23, 2017	at Troy	L 17-22	5	2	10	1	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
Sep 30, 2017	at Bowling Green	W 34-23	3	3	21	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 07, 2017	BALL STATE	W 31-3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 15, 2017	at Western Michigan	W 14-13	2	2	14	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 21, 2017	at Toledo	L 21-48	1	1	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 28, 2017	BUFFALO	W 21-20	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Nov 07, 2017	at Miami	L 14-24	2	1	7	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Nov 14, 2017	OHIO	W 37-34	3	3	17	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 21, 2017	KENT STATE	W 24-14	2	1	7	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Dec 02, 2017	vs Toledo	L 28-45	4	2	14	2	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
Totals			31	23	149	20	13	7	3	4	1	1	1	0

23 of 31 (74.2%)

Opponents Inside Akron Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times		Total	Rush	Pass	FGs	Failed to score inside RZ					
			In RZ	Scored	Pts	TDs	TDs	Made	FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
Sep 02, 2017	at Penn State	L 0-52	6	5	35	5	3	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
Sep 09, 2017	ARKANSAS PINE BLUFF	W 52-3	1	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 16, 2017	IOWA STATE	L 14-41	5	4	28	4	3	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Sep 23, 2017	at Troy	L 17-22	3	2	10	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Sep 30, 2017	at Bowling Green	W 34-23	3	3	16	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 07, 2017	BALL STATE	W 31-3	3	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0
Oct 15, 2017	at Western Michigan	W 14-13	4	1	3	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
Oct 21, 2017	at Toledo	L 21-48	4	4	24	3	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 28, 2017	BUFFALO	W 21-20	5	4	20	2	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	0
Nov 07, 2017	at Miami	L 14-24	3	3	17	2	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 14, 2017	OHIO	W 37-34	4	4	24	3	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 21, 2017	KENT STATE	W 24-14	2	2	14	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 02, 2017	vs Toledo	L 28-45	6	4	28	4	1	3	0	1	0	0	1	0
Totals			49	38	225	28	15	13	10	4	3	3	1	0

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GAME SUPERLATIVES

INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes	28	BALL, Warren at Troy (Sep 23, 2017)
Yards Rushing	146	BALL, Warren vs Arkansas Pine Bluff (Sep 09, 2017)
TD Rushes	3	BALL, Warren vs Arkansas Pine Bluff (Sep 09, 2017)
Long Rush	42	MORGAN, Manny vs KENT STATE (Nov 21, 2017)
Pass attempts	40	WOODSON, Thomas vs Iowa State (Sep 16, 2017)
	40	WOODSON, Thomas at Troy (Sep 23, 2017)
Pass completions	25	WOODSON, Thomas vs Iowa State (Sep 16, 2017)
Yards Passing	322	NELSON, Kato vs OHIO (Nov 14, 2017)
TD Passes	4	NELSON, Kato vs OHIO (Nov 14, 2017)
Long Pass	71	NELSON, Kato vs OHIO (Nov 14, 2017)
Receptions	8	CHAPMAN, TraVon vs Iowa State (Sep 16, 2017)
Yards Receiving	132	SMITH, Kwadarrus vs OHIO (Nov 14, 2017)
TD Receptions	2	SMITH, Kwadarrus vs OHIO (Nov 14, 2017)
Long Reception	71	SMITH, Kwadarrus vs OHIO (Nov 14, 2017)
Field Goals	1	O'LEARY, Tom vs Arkansas Pine Bluff (Sep 09, 2017)
	1	O'LEARY, Tom at Troy (Sep 23, 2017)
	1	O'LEARY, Tom vs Ball State (Oct 07, 2017)
	1	GASSER, Nick vs OHIO (Nov 14, 2017)
	1	GASSER, Nick vs KENT STATE (Nov 21, 2017)
Long Field Goal	48	O'LEARY, Tom vs Ball State (Oct 07, 2017)
Punts	11	GASSER, Nick at Penn State (Sep 02, 2017)
Punting Avg	45.9	GASSER, Nick vs KENT STATE (Nov 21, 2017)
Long Punt	59	GASSER, Nick vs Ball State (Oct 07, 2017)
Punts inside 20	5	GASSER, Nick vs KENT STATE (Nov 21, 2017)
Long Punt Return	4	FEATHERSTONE, Shawn vs Arkansas Pine Bluff (Sep 09, 2017)
	4	CONEY, A.J. vs Ball State (Oct 07, 2017)
Long Kickoff Return	34	SANDS, Deltron at Bowling Green (Sep 30, 2017)
Tackles	14	GILBERT, Ulysees vs KENT STATE (Nov 21, 2017)
Sacks	1.5	REINKE, Brian vs KENT STATE (Nov 21, 2017)
Tackles For Loss	3.5	DAVIS, Jamal vs Arkansas Pine Bluff (Sep 09, 2017)
Interceptions	1	GUISER, Zach at Penn State (Sep 02, 2017)
	1	GILBERT, Ulysees vs Arkansas Pine Bluff (Sep 09, 2017)
	1	LAKO, John vs Arkansas Pine Bluff (Sep 09, 2017)
	1	BROWN, Kyron at Bowling Green (Sep 30, 2017)
	1	GEORGE, Jordan at Bowling Green (Sep 30, 2017)
	1	DAILEY, Darian vs Ball State (Oct 07, 2017)
	1	LAKO, John vs Ball State (Oct 07, 2017)
	1	HAUSER, Andrew vs Ball State (Oct 07, 2017)
	1	BROWN, Kyron at Western Michigan (Oct 15, 2017)
	1	GILBERT, Ulysees at Toledo (Oct 21, 2017)
	1	GEORGE, Jordan vs Buffalo (Oct 28, 2017)
	1	FEATHERSTONE, Shawn at Miami (Nov 07, 2017)
	1	GEORGE, Jordan at Miami (Nov 07, 2017)
	1	GEORGE, Jordan vs OHIO (Nov 14, 2017)
	1	FEATHERSTONE, Shawn vs OHIO (Nov 14, 2017)
	1	DAVIS, Alvin vs KENT STATE (Nov 21, 2017)
	1	BUTLER, Denzel vs KENT STATE (Nov 21, 2017)
	1	GILBERT, Ulysees vs Toledo (Dec 02, 2017)

TEAM GAME HIGHS

Rushes	44	vs Arkansas Pine Bluff (Sep 09, 2017)
Yards Rushing	267	vs Arkansas Pine Bluff (Sep 09, 2017)
Yards Per Rush	6.1	vs Arkansas Pine Bluff (Sep 09, 2017)
TD Rushes	5	vs Arkansas Pine Bluff (Sep 09, 2017)
Pass attempts	44	vs Iowa State (Sep 16, 2017)
Pass completions	27	vs Iowa State (Sep 16, 2017)
Yards Passing	322	vs OHIO (Nov 14, 2017)
Yards Per Pass	9.9	vs Buffalo (Oct 28, 2017)
TD Passes	4	vs OHIO (Nov 14, 2017)
Total Plays	75	at Troy (Sep 23, 2017)
	75	vs Toledo (Dec 02, 2017)
Total Offense	464	vs Arkansas Pine Bluff (Sep 09, 2017)
Yards Per Play	6.7	vs Buffalo (Oct 28, 2017)
Points	52	vs Arkansas Pine Bluff (Sep 09, 2017)
Sacks By	5	vs Arkansas Pine Bluff (Sep 09, 2017)
	5	vs Ball State (Oct 07, 2017)
	5	vs KENT STATE (Nov 21, 2017)
First Downs	27	vs Arkansas Pine Bluff (Sep 09, 2017)
Penalties	16	vs OHIO (Nov 14, 2017)
Penalty Yards	167	vs OHIO (Nov 14, 2017)
Turnovers	3	vs Iowa State (Sep 16, 2017)
	3	at Troy (Sep 23, 2017)
	3	at Bowling Green (Sep 30, 2017)
Interceptions By	3	vs Ball State (Oct 07, 2017)
Punts	11	at Penn State (Sep 02, 2017)
Punting Avg	45.8	at Troy (Sep 23, 2017)
Long Punt	59	vs Ball State (Oct 07, 2017)
Punts inside 20	5	vs KENT STATE (Nov 21, 2017)
Long Punt Return	4	vs Arkansas Pine Bluff (Sep 09, 2017)
	4	vs Ball State (Oct 07, 2017)

OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes	31	FRANKLIN, Jarvi, at Western Michigan (Oct 15, 2017)
Yards Rushing	180	SWANSON, Terry, vs Toledo (Dec 02, 2017)
TD Rushes	2	Barkley, Saquon, at Penn State (Sep 02, 2017)
	2	REED, Emmanuel, vs Buffalo (Oct 28, 2017)
	2	Rourke, Nathan, vs OHIO (Nov 14, 2017)
	2	SWANSON, Terry, vs Toledo (Dec 02, 2017)
Long Rush	80	Barkley, Saquon, at Penn State (Sep 02, 2017)
Pass attempts	50	JACKSON, Tyree, vs Buffalo (Oct 28, 2017)
Pass completions	34	JACKSON, Tyree, vs Buffalo (Oct 28, 2017)
Yards Passing	317	Park, Jacob, vs Iowa State (Sep 16, 2017)
TD Passes	5	WOODSIDE, Logan, at Toledo (Oct 21, 2017)
Long Pass	50	WASSINK, Jon, at Western Michigan (Oct 15, 2017)
Receptions	10	MILLER, Scott, at Bowling Green (Sep 30, 2017)
Yards Receiving	118	JOHNSON, Di., vs Toledo (Dec 02, 2017)
TD Receptions	2	Gesicki, Mike, at Penn State (Sep 02, 2017)
	2	JOHNSON, Jon'Vea, at Toledo (Oct 21, 2017)
	2	JOHNSON, Di., vs Toledo (Dec 02, 2017)
Long Reception	50	ESKRIDGE, D'Way, at Western Michigan (Oct 15, 2017)
Field Goals	2	Owens, Garrett, vs Iowa State (Sep 16, 2017)
	2	GRANT, Josh, at Western Michigan (Oct 15, 2017)
	2	VEST, Jameson, at Toledo (Oct 21, 2017)
	2	MITCHESON, Adam, vs Buffalo (Oct 28, 2017)
	2	Zervos, Louie, vs OHIO (Nov 14, 2017)
Long Field Goal	49	GRANT, Josh, at Western Michigan (Oct 15, 2017)
Punts	8	ADAMS, Derek, vs KENT STATE (Nov 21, 2017)
Punting Avg	50.0	Gillikin, Blake, at Penn State (Sep 02, 2017)
Long Punt	56	Gillikin, Blake, at Penn State (Sep 02, 2017)
	56	ADAMS, Derek, vs KENT STATE (Nov 21, 2017)
Punts inside 20	4	SNYDER, Nathan, vs Ball State (Oct 07, 2017)
Long Punt Return	61	Thompkins, D., at Penn State (Sep 02, 2017)
Long Kickoff Return	50	CLAIR, Andrew, at Bowling Green (Sep 30, 2017)
Tackles	14	Hagan, Javon, vs OHIO (Nov 14, 2017)
Sacks	3.0	COSTIN, Doug, at Miami (Nov 07, 2017)
Tackles For Loss	3.0	Chavis, Tyrell, at Penn State (Sep 02, 2017)
	3.0	Harvey, Willie, vs Iowa State (Sep 16, 2017)
	3.0	COSTIN, Doug, at Miami (Nov 07, 2017)
	3.0	Robbins, Kevin, vs OHIO (Nov 14, 2017)
	3.0	ADENIYI, O., vs Toledo (Dec 02, 2017)
Interceptions	2	Weatherspoon, K, at Troy (Sep 23, 2017)

OPPONENT TEAM GAME HIGHS

Rushes	53	at Western Michigan (Oct 15, 2017)
Yards Rushing	303	at Toledo (Oct 21, 2017)
Yards Per Rush	7.3	at Penn State (Sep 02, 2017)
TD Rushes	4	at Penn State (Sep 02, 2017)
Pass attempts	50	vs Buffalo (Oct 28, 2017)
Pass completions	34	vs Buffalo (Oct 28, 2017)
Yards Passing	323	at Toledo (Oct 21, 2017)
Yards Per Pass	11.5	at Toledo (Oct 21, 2017)
TD Passes	5	at Toledo (Oct 21, 2017)
Total Plays	90	vs Ball State (Oct 07, 2017)
Total Offense	626	at Toledo (Oct 21, 2017)
Yards Per Play	8.8	at Toledo (Oct 21, 2017)
Points	52	at Penn State (Sep 02, 2017)
Sacks By	6	at Miami (Nov 07, 2017)
	6	vs KENT STATE (Nov 21, 2017)
First Downs	35	at Toledo (Oct 21, 2017)
Penalties	16	at Troy (Sep 23, 2017)
Penalty Yards	163	at Troy (Sep 23, 2017)
Turnovers	5	vs Toledo (Dec 02, 2017)
Interceptions By	2	vs Iowa State (Sep 16, 2017)
	2	at Troy (Sep 23, 2017)
Punts	8	vs KENT STATE (Nov 21, 2017)
Punting Avg	50.0	at Penn State (Sep 02, 2017)
Long Punt	56	at Penn State (Sep 02, 2017)
	56	vs KENT STATE (Nov 21, 2017)
Punts inside 20	4	vs Ball State (Oct 07, 2017)
Long Punt Return	61	at Penn State (Sep 02, 2017)





THE LAST TIME IT HAPPENED . . .

BY AKRON

100 Yards Rushing

150 Yards Rushing
175 Yards Rushing
200 Yards Rushing
25+ Rushing Attempts
30+ Rushing Attempts
2 Touchdowns Rushing
3 Touchdowns Rushing
4+ Touchdowns Rushing
50-Yard Run
60-Yard Run
70-Yard Run
80-Yard Run
90-Yard Run
Two Players 100 Rushing Yards (each)

250 Yards Passing

300 Yards Passing
400 Yards Passing
20 Pass Completions
30 Pass Completions
40 Pass Attempts
50 Pass Attempts
2 Touchdown Passes
3 Touchdown Passes
4 Touchdown Passes
5 Touchdown Passes
6 Touchdown Passes
2 Interceptions Thrown
3 Interceptions Thrown
4 Interceptions Thrown
300 Yards Total Offense
350 Yards Total Offense
400 Yards Total Offense
100 Yards Receiving
150 Yards Receiving
200 Yards Receiving
10 Receptions
10+ Receptions
50-Yard Reception
60-Yard Reception

70-Yard Reception

80-Yard Reception
90-Yard Reception
2 Touchdowns Receiving
3 Touchdowns Receiving
Two Players 100 Yards Receiving (each)

150 Yard Rusher and 150 Yard Receiver in Same Game

#Jawon Chisholm (188 rushing) and Keith Sconiers (154 receiving)
vs. VMI, 9-24-11

Kickoff Return for TD
Free Kick Return for TD

100-Yard Kickoff Return
100+ Yards in Kickoff Return Yardage

Punt Return for TD

70-Yard Punt Return

200 All-Purpose Yards

250 All-Purpose Yards

Interception for TD

Intercepted 2+ Passes

Fumble Return for TD

Blocked a Field Goal

Blocked 2 Field Goals

Blocked a PAT

Blocked a Punt
Blocked Punt Returned for TD
Had a 2-Pt Conversion
Had a Defensive 2-Pt. Conversion
50-Yard Field Goal
55-Yard Field Goal
UA Recorded a Safety

112, Warren Ball at Troy, 9-23-17

151, Jawon Chisholm vs. Kent State, 11-08-13
184, Jawon Chisholm at Kent State, 11-28-14
277, Dennis Kennedy vs. Eastern Mich., 10-18-08

28, Warren Ball at Troy, 9-23-17

32, Alex Allen vs. Buffalo, 11-26-10
Donnell Alexander vs. Buffalo, 11-21-15
Warren Ball vs UAPB, 9-9-17
5, Bobby Hendry vs. Eastern Mich., 11-24-01
55, Jawon Chisholm vs. James Madison, 9-7-13
61, Manny Morgan at Marshall, 9-17-16
70 (TD), by Tra'Von Chapman vs. Miami (Ohio), 10-8-16
80 (TD), Jawon Chisholm at Kent State, 11-28-14
91, Alex Allen vs. Miami (Ohio), 11-17-10
Nate Burney (119) and
Alex Allen (110) vs. Gardner-Webb, 9-11-10

286, Thomas Woodson vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17

322, Kato Nelson vs. Ohio, 11-14-17
407, Thomas Woodson vs. VMI, 9-3-16

22, Kato Nelson vs. Ohio, 11-14-17

30, Thomas Woodson vs. Ball State, 10-7-17

40, Thomas Woodson at Troy, 9-23-17

*62, Kyle Pohl vs. Bowling Green, 11-04-14

Kato Nelson vs. Toledo, 12-2-17

Thomas Woodson vs. Buffalo, 10-28-17

Kato Nelson vs. Ohio, 11-14-17

Dalton Williams at FIU, 9-8-12

% Thomas Woodson vs. VMI, 9-3-16

Thomas Woodson at Troy, 9-23-17

Kyle Pohl vs. Bowling Green, 11-4-14

Thomas Woodson at Ball State, 10-25-14

314, Thomas Woodson vs. Toledo, 11-2-16

367, Kato Nelson vs. Ohio, 11-14-17

420, Thomas Woodson vs. VMI, 9-3-16

114, Kwadarrus Smith vs. Toledo, 12-2-17

196, Jerome Lane vs. VMI, 9-3-16

223, Jabari Arthur vs. Western Michigan, 10-6-07

10, JoJo Natson vs. Appalachian State, 9-24-16

11, Marquelo Suel at Kent State, 11-3-12

59, Kwadarrus Smith vs. Toledo, 12-2-17

64 (TD), Jerome Lane (Tyrell Goodman)

vs. Bowling Green, 11-9-16

71 (TD), Kwadarrus Smith (Kato Nelson) vs. Ohio, 11-14-17

80, Andre Jones (Alex Allen) vs. Northern Ill., 10-31-09

91, Jerome Lane (Thomas Woodson) vs. Toledo, 11-2-16

Kwadarrus Smith vs. Ohio, 11-14-17

JoJo Natson vs. VMI, 9-3-16

JoJo Natson (134) and

Jerome Lane (115) at Marshall, 9-17-16

vs. VMI, 9-24-11

Dashan Miller (98 yards) vs. Syracuse, 10-24-09

89, Andre Jones (78) and Alphonso Owen (11)

vs. Western Michigan, 10-6-07

Jamie Goodwin at Connecticut, 10-25-03

156, Van Edwards at Kent State, 10-1-16

JoJo Natson (79 yards) at Buffalo, 10-27-16

Domenik Hixon (85 yards) vs. Ball State, 10-23-04

200, Jawon Chisholm at Kent State, 11-28-14

263, Dennis Kennedy vs. Buffalo, 11-13-08

John Lako (35 yds.) vs. Ball State, 10-7-17

2, Justin March (one for TD) at Michigan, 9-14-13

Ulysees Gilbert (40 yards) vs. Kent State, 11-21-17

Brock Boxen (44-yard att.) vs. VMI, 9-3-16

Nick Rossi (46-yard att.) and

Anthony Holmes (40-yard att.) at Northern Ill., 10-12-13

Andrew Hauser at Bowling Green, 9-30-17

Zach Guiser at Marshall, 9-17-16

Ulysees Gilbert (30 yds.) at Marshall, 9-17-16

Tyrell Goodman pass to Jerome Lane vs. BGSU, 11-9-16

Shawn Lemon (98 yds) vs. Toledo, 11-5-08

50, Robert Stein at Miami (Ohio), 11-14-15

56, Daron Alcorn vs. Toledo, 9-12-92

Andrew Hauser at Eastern Michigan, 10-10-15

AKRON TEAM

500 Yards Total Offense
600 Yards Total Offense
700 Yards Total Offense
300 Yards Rushing Offense
400 Yards Rushing Offense
500 Yards Rushing Offense
300 Yards Passing Offense
400 Yards Passing Offense
500 Yards Passing Offense
Scored an OFF, DEF and ST Touchdown

BY OPPONENT

100 Yards Rushing

150 Yards Rushing
200 Yards Rushing
250 Yards Rushing
300 Yards Rushing
20 Rushing Attempts
30 Rushing Attempts
40 Rushing Attempts
3 Touchdowns Rushing
4+ Touchdowns Rushing
70-Yard Run
Two Players 100 Yards Rushing (each)

300 Yards Passing

400 Yards Passing
500 Yards Passing
20 Pass Completions
30 Pass Completions
40 Pass Attempts
50 Pass Attempts
4 Touchdown Passes
5 Touchdown Passes
5+ Touchdown Passes
3 Interceptions Thrown
500 Yards Total Offense
600 Yards Total Offense
100 Yards Receiving

150 Yards Receiving

200 Yards Receiving
10 Receptions
10+ Receptions
3 Touchdown Receptions
60-Yard Reception
70-Yard Reception
90-Yard Reception
Two Players Receiving 100 Yards (each)

Kickoff Return for TD

Punt Return for TD

70-Yard Punt Return
Had 2 Interceptions
Returned Interception for TD
Had 3 Interceptions
Fumble Return for TD
75-Yard Fumble Return for TD

Blocked a Field Goal

Blocked a PAT
Blocked a Punt
Blocked Punt Returned for TD
Had a 2-Pt. Conversion
50-Yard Field Goal

500 Yards Total Offense

600 Yards Total Offense
700 Yards Total Offense
Less Than 200 Yards of Total Offense
UA Allowed a Safety

* - indicates school record

% - indicates tied school record=

- first time in program history

^ - indicates Mid-American Conference record

529 at Ball State, 10-22-16

626 vs. Savannah State, 9-19-15

*753 vs Morgan State, 9-15-12

339 vs. Eastern Michigan, 10-18-08

440 vs. Liberty, 10-12-02

503 vs. Northern Arizona, 9-28-91

322 vs. Ohio, 11-14-17

425 vs. VMI, 9-3-16

*^565 vs. Morgan State, 9-15-12

at Marshall, 9-17-16

100, Kenny Young, Miami, 11-7-17

180, Terry Swanson, Toledo, 12-2-17

243, Zurlon Tipton, Central Michigan, 10-27-12

282, Jordan Johnson, Buffalo, 10-27-16

376, Travis Prentice, Miami (Ohio), 11-6-99

21, Terry Swanson, Toledo, 12-2-17

31, Jarvion Franklin, Western Michigan, 10-15-17

42, Garrett Wolfe, Northern Illinois, 12-1-05

Trayion Durham, Kent State, 11-3-12

5, Thomas Hammock, Northern Ill., 10-14-00

80, Saquon Barkley, #6 Penn State, 9-2-17

119, Donovan Green,

116, Fred Coppet, Bowling Green, 11-9-16

307, Logan Woodside, Toledo, 12-2-17

413, Chase Litton, Marshall, 9-17-16

516, Zac Dysert, Miami (Ohio), 9-29-12

23, Logan Woodside, Toledo, 12-2-17

34, Tyree Jackson, Buffalo, 10-28-17

41, Jack Milas, Ball State, 10-7-17

57, Chase Litton, Marshall, 9-17-16

Chase Litton, Marshall, 9-17-16

Logan Woodside, Toledo, 10-21-17

6, Zac Dysert, Miami (Ohio), 9-29-12

Chase Litton, Marshall, 9-17-16

514, Dan LeFevour, Central Mich., 11-23-07

624, Zac Dysert, Miami (Ohio), 9-29-12

118, Dontae Johnson, Toledo, 12-2-17

103, Jon'Vea Johnson, Toledo, 12-2-17

181, Justin Rankin, Kent State, 10-1-16

214, Lee Evans, Wisconsin, 9-6-03

Scott Miller, Bowling Green, 9-30-17

11, Hunter Sharp, Utah State, 12-22-15

Jake Stoneburner, Ohio State, 9-3-11

60, Alex Bayer, Bowling Green, 10-06-12

78, Roکهem Williams, Miami (Ohio), 11-14-15

91, Breshad Perriman, UCF, 8-29-13

Dontae Johnson (118) and

Jon'Vea Johnson (103), Toledo, 12-2-17

Dervon Wallace (91 yards), Western Mich., 10-23-10

DeAndre Thompkins (61 yards), #6 Penn State, 9-2-17

Stafford Owens (81 yards), Ohio, 11-13-04

2, Byron Moore, Tennessee, 9-29-12

Marshall Taylor, Miami (Ohio), 11-14-15

Brian Lainhart, Kent State, 10-4-08

Taylor Royster (0 yards), BGSU, 11-4-14

99, Quan Dillahunt, Howard, 9-20-03

Nate Childress, Toledo, 12-2-17

Boomer Mays, Northern Ill., 10-12-13

2, Tony Reid, Miami (Ohio), 11-14-15

Melvin Payne, Ohio, 10-10-09

Riley Neal (rush), Ball State, 10-22-16

Kaleb Patterson (52 yards), Miami (Ohio), 10-19-13

561, Toledo, 12-2-17

622, Toledo, 11-2-16

705, Miami (Ohio), 9-29-12

127, Morgan State, 9-12-09

at #10 Wisconsin, 9-10-16





GAME RECAPS

#1

PENN STATE

◆ Saturday, Sept. 2

◆ Noon • ABC

◆ Beaver Stadium | University Park, Pa.

Akron (0-1)	0	0	0	0	-	0
Penn State (1-0)	14	21	10	7	-	52

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa.- The No. 6 ranked Penn State Nittany Lions defeated the Akron Zips, 52-0, in the 2017 season opener on a soggy Saturday afternoon at Beaver Stadium in front of 101,684 fans.

The 2016 Big Ten champions used a balance attack to generate 569 total yards of offense with 322 yards in the air and 247 yards on the ground en route to finding pay dirt seven times.

For Akron, senior QB Thomas Woodson returned to the starting role behind center after a season-ending injury in 2016. Woodson completed 12-of-23 passes for 71 yards and an interception.

Senior Tra'Von Chapman led the squad with three receptions and totaled 10 yards. On the ground, senior RB Warren Ball carried the bulk of the load with 13 carries for 27 yards, while freshman QB Kato Nelson posted a team-high 39 yards on nine rushes. Defensively, Akron was led by senior S Zach Guiser with 10 tackles and an interception.

SCORING SUMMARY:

				UA-PSU
1st	8:13	PSU	Thompkins 61 yd. punt return (Davis kick)	0-7
	0:49	PSU	Gesicki 13 yd. pass from McSorley (Davis kick)	
			Drive: 10 plays, 75 yards in 4:49	0-14
2nd	8:48	PSU	McSorley 4 yd. run (Davis kick)	
			Drive: 3 plays, 87 yards in 0:51	0-21
	4:49	PSU	Barkley 3 yd. run (Davis kick)	
			Drive: 5 plays, 62 yards in 2:30	0-28
	0:23	PSU	Barkley 30 yd. run (Davis kick)	
			Drive: 5 play, 45 yards in 1:51	0-35
3rd	6:01	PSU	Davis 47 yd. field goal	
			Drive: 8 plays, 62 yards in 4:03	0-38
	1:02	PSU	Gesicki 2 yd. pass from McSorley (Davis kick)	
			Drive: 3 plays, 58 yards in 1:23	0-45
4th	10:20	PSU	Stevens 5 yd. run (Davis kick)	
			Drive: 5 plays, 66 yards in 1:56	0-52

	AKRON	PSU
FIRST DOWNS	12	24
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	34-73	34-247
PASSING YDS (NET)	86	322
Passes Comp-Att-Int	14-29-1	21-31-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	63-159	65-569
Fumble Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Punt Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	5-130-1
Kickoff Returns-Yards-TD	4-77-0	1-20-0
Interception Returns-Yards-TD	1-0-0	1-0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	11-39.5	2-50.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	9-84	5-45
Possession Time	30:30	29:30
Third-Down Conversions	24% (4 of 17)	33% (3 of 9)
Fourth-Down Conversions	0% (0 of 0)	50% (1 of 2)
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	0-0	5-6
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	3-13

RUSHING:

UA - Nelson 9-39, Ball 13-27, Morgan 3-13, A. Williams 1-7, Sands 1-1, Edwards 5-(-2), Woodson 2-(-12). PSU - Barkley 14-172, McSorley 12-48, Stevens 4-16, Sanders 1-16, Team 1-(-2), Robinson 2-(-3).

PASSING:

UA - Woodson 12-23-1-71-0, Kelley 0-2-0-0-0, Nelson 1-2-0-11-0, Johns 1-2-0-4-0. PSU 0 McSorley 18-25-1-280-2, Stevens 3-6-0-42-0.

RECEIVING:

UA - Chapman 3-10, Coney 2-25, K. Smith 2-23, Bickley 2-21, Ball 2-3, Stewart 1-4, N. Williams 1-2, Young 1-(-2). PSU- Gesicki 6-58, Johnson 4-84, Hamilton 3-74, Barkley 3-54, Thompkins 2-29, Pancoast 1-12, Stevens 1-7, Polk 1-4.

GAME 14 at FAU | BOCA RATON BOWL

GOLDEN LIONS

#2

ARKANSAS PINE BLUFF

◆ Saturday, Sept. 9

◆ 6:30 p.m. • ESPN3

◆ InfoCision Stadium - Summa Field | Akron, Ohio

Arkansas Pine Bluff (1-1)	0	3	0	0	-	3
Akron (1-1)	14	17	14	7	-	52

AKRON, Ohio - The Akron football team used 464 yards of total offense en route to a 52-3 home opening win over Arkansas Pine Bluff at InfoCision Stadium-Summa Field on Saturday evening.

Seniors RB Warren Ball and QB Thomas Woodson did most of the heavy lifting on offense. Ball found pay dirt three times on his way to 146 rushing yards on 20 carries. It was Ball's second 100-plus yard performance and the first multi-touchdown game of his career at Akron. Ball averaged 7.3 yards per carry with 32- and 21-yard long runs. Woodson completed 15-of-21 passes for 166 yards and a touchdown with no interceptions.

On the other side of the ball, the Zips' defensive efforts were highlighted by a pick-six by junior LB Ulysees Gilbert III. It was Gilbert's first career interception and first touchdown. Gilbert also led Akron with 10 tackles, including one for a five-yard loss.

SCORING SUMMARY:

				UAPB-UA
1st	10:47	UA	Ball 12 yd. run (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 6 plays, 56 yards in 2:43	0-7
	6:28	UA	Coney 15 yd. pass from Woodson (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 7 plays, 80 yards in 2:43	0-14
2nd	13:52	UA	O'Leary 34 yd. field goal	
			Drive: 8 plays, 39 yards in 4:15	0-17
	13:35	UA	Gilbert 30 yd. interception return (O'Leary kick)	0-24
	7:59	PB	Gillan 25 yd. field goal	
			Drive: 12 plays, 67 yards in 5:32	3-24
	5:00	UA	Ball 8 yd. run (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 7 plays, 60 yards in 2:50	3-31
3rd	9:12	UA	Ball 8 yd. run (Gingerich kick)	
			Drive: 13 plays, 65 yards in 5:48	3-38
	1:44	UA	Edwards 12 yd. run (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 10 plays, 52 yards in 4:55	3-45
4th	5:18	UA	Sands 1 yd. run (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 8 plays, 63 yards in 3:18	3-52

	PINE BLUFF	AKRON
FIRST DOWNS	12	26
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	34-41	44-267
PASSING YDS (NET)	127	197
Passes Comp-Att-Int	14-25-2	17-26-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	59-168	70-464
Fumble Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Punt Returns-Yards-TD	1-2-0	2-3-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards-TD	6-70-0	1-27-0
Interception Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	2-30-1
Punts (Number-Avg)	5-38.5	3-29.7
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	7-70	11-130
Possession Time	30:00	30:00
Third-Down Conversions	16% (2 of 13)	55% (6 of 11)
Fourth-Down Conversions	0% (0 of 3)	100% (1 of 1)
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-1	7-7
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	5-39

RUSHING:

Akron - Ball 20-146, Edwards 9-47, Sands 7-38, Woodson 2-16, Morgan 4-10, Turfe 1-6, Nelson 1-4. UAPB - Jordan 7-30, Duncan 11-17, Williams 13-8, Ralph 1-(-5), Patterson 2-(-9).

PASSING:

Akron - Woodson 15-21-0-166-1, Nelson 1-3-0-6-0, Kelley 1-2-0-25-0. Duncan 12-23-2-105-0, Patterson 1-1-0-15-0, Gillan 1-1-0-7-0.

RECEIVING:

Akron - Chapman 5-55, Smith 4-38, Young 3-26, Coney 2-39, Burkhart 1-25, Junk 1-10, Edwards 1-4. UAPB - K. Williams 4-23, Ralph 3-40, Brown 2-24, Colbet 1-15, Mack 1-13, N. Williams 1-7, Jordan 1-4, Rowland 1-1.



2017 FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



GAME 14 at FAU | BOCA RATON BOWL

#3 CYCLONES IOWA STATE

- ◆ Saturday, Sept. 16
- ◆ Noon • CBS-SN
- ◆ InfoCision Stadium - Summa Field | Akron, Ohio

Iowa State (2-1)	14	6	14	7	-	41
Akron (1-2)	0	14	0	0	-	14

AKRON, Ohio--The University of Akron football team fell, 41-14, to the Iowa State Cyclones at InfoCision Stadium- Summa Field on Saturday afternoon.

Senior QB Thomas Woodson carried the offense with 240 yards of the Zips 331 yards of total offense. He completed 25-of-40 passes with two touchdowns.

Junior WR Kwadarius Smith led the receiving corps with 76 yards and a touchdown on three receptions. Senior WR TraVon Chapman followed, catching eight passes for 53 yards, while senior WR A.J. Coney had four receptions for 52 yards.

The rushing attack was led by senior RB Warren Ball with 11 carries for 46 yards. Ball also had four receptions for eight yards with his first career receiving touchdown.

The Zips' defensive unit was led by junior LB Ulysees Gilbert III, who posted a team-best 12 tackles. Junior LB Jamal Davis II recorded six tackles, including a team-high 1.5 tackles for a loss, and senior S Zach Guiser and junior CB Darian Dailey also recorded six tackles.

SCORING SUMMARY:				ISU-UA
1st	4:33	ISU	Lazard 7 yd. pass from Park (Owens kick)	
			Drive: 8 plays, 93 yards in 4:08	7 - 0
	0:35	ISU	Warren 1 yd. run (Owens kick)	
			Drive: 6 plays, 71 yards in 2:25	14 - 0
2nd	7:13	UA	Smith 45-yard pass from Woodson (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 6 plays, 70 yards in 2:38	14 - 7
	4:57	ISU	Owens 40 yd. FG	
			Drive: 8 plays, 57 yards in 2:10	17 - 7
	3:23	ISU	Owens 40 yd. FG	
			Drive: 4 play, 6 yards in 1:27	20 - 7
	0:38	UA	Ball 11 yd. pass from Woodson (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 10 play, 75 yards in 2:45	20 - 14
3rd	3:34	ISU	Murdock 43 yd. pass from Park (Owens kick)	
			Drive: 6 plays, 80 yards in 2:20	27 - 14
	1:34	ISU	Montgomery 9 yd. run (Owens kick)	
			Drive: 3 plays, 16 yards in 1:21	34 - 14
4th	5:12	ISU	Park 14 yd. run (Owens kick)	
			Drive: 11 plays, 69 yards in 6:09	41 - 14

	IOWA STATE	AKRON
FIRST DOWNS	23	19
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	37-191	24-38
PASSING YDS (NET)	317	293
Passes Comp-Att-Int	24-33-0	27-44-2
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	70-508	68-331
Fumble Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Punt Returns-Yards-TD	3-17-0	0-0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards-TD	3-34-0	1-23-0
Interception Returns-Yards-TD	2-58-0	0-0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	3-40.0	7-39.9
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	7-72	7-79
Possession Time	31:52	28:08
Third-Down Conversions	46% (6 of 13)	62% (11 of 18)
Fourth-Down Conversions	0% (0 of 0)	0% (0 of 0)
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-5	1-1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	6-33	0-0

RUSHING:

UA - Ball 11-40, Edwards 4-16, Nelson 1-8, Woodson 1-(-26). ISU- Montgomery 22-127, Park 3-38, Warren 9-31, Coney 2-13, Land 1-(-2), Team 1-(-16).

PASSING:

UA - Woodson 25-40-1-240-2, Nelson 2-4-1-53-0. ISU- Park 24-33-0-317-2.

RECEIVING:

UA - Chapman 8-53, Coney 4-52, Ball 4-8, Smith 3-76, Gladney 3-18, Young 2-32, Bickley 2-22, Stewart 1-32. ISU- Ryen 6-80, Lazard 5-47, Montgomery 5-46, Butler 3-31, Jones 2-56, Eaton 2-14, Murdock 1-43.

#4 TROJANS TROY

- ◆ Saturday, Sept. 23
- ◆ 6 PM | ESPN3
- ◆ Veterans Memorial Stadium

Akron (1-3)	3	0	7	7	-	17
Troy (3-1)	7	9	0	6	-	22

TROY, Ala. - Penalties and turnovers proved costly as the Akron Zips fell at Troy, 22-17, before 27,324 fans on Saturday evening at Veterans Memorial Stadium.

Following a 25-minute weather delay for lightning, the Zips jumped on the scoreboard first and then fought to regain the lead throughout most of the game. With 5:37 to go, UA went ahead 17-16 but couldn't hold on for the win.

Senior RB Warren Ball led the rushers with 112 yards and a touchdown on a career-high 28 carries. It marked the third 100-yard rushing performance of his career. Redshirt junior WR Kwadarius Smith had a career-high four receptions for a career-high 103 yards. It marked the first 100-yard receiving performance of his career.

Senior QB Thomas Woodson went 20-of-40 for 268 yards and a touchdown. He also had two interceptions. Defensively, redshirt junior DB Shawn Featherstone led the defense with a career-high 11 tackles, including a career-best seven solo stops.

SCORING SUMMARY:				UA-TROY
1st	9:36	UA	O'Leary 28 yd. field goal	
			Drive: 7 plays, 32 yards in 3:12	3 - 0
	5:03	TU	Chunn 6 yd. run (Underwood kick)	
			Drive: 13 plays, 83 yards in 4:33	3 - 7
2nd	14:54	TU	Underwood 22 yd. field goal	
			Drive: 12 plays, 67 yards in 4:14	3 - 10
	22:35	TU	Barker 48 yd. run (Underwood kick failed)	
			Drive: 4 plays, 63 yards in 1:22	3 - 16
3rd	2:59	UA	Smith 29 yd. pass from Woodson (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 7 plays, 68 yards in 3:02	10 - 16
4th	5:37	UA	Ball 4 yd. run (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 9 plays, 57 yards in 4:23	17 - 16
	1:06	TU	Douglas 23 yd. pass from Silvers	
			Drive: 9 plays, 97 yards in 2:08	17 - 22

	AKRON	TROY
FIRST DOWNS	23	24
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	35-99	28-175
PASSING YDS (NET)	268	314
Passes Comp-Att-Int	20-40-2	29-42-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	75-367	70-489
Fumble Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Punt Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-8-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards-TD	1-(-1)-0	4-105-0
Interception Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	2-0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	5-45.8	4-43.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	12-100	16-159
Possession Time	33:49	26:22
Third-Down Conversions	53% (9 of 17)	29% (4 of 14)
Fourth-Down Conversions	100% (1 of 1)	67% (2 of 3)
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-5	2-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-7	2-9

RUSHING:

Akron - Ball 28-112, Sands 1-2, Edwards 2-2, Woodson 4-(-17). Troy - Chunn 16-106, Barker 2-57, Henderson 4-8, Silvers 4-4, Anderson 1-2, Team 1-(-2).

PASSING:

Akron - Woodson 20-40-2-268-1. Troy - Silvers 28-41-0-314-1, Barker 0-1-0-0-0.

RECEIVING:

Akron - Wolf 6-71, Smith 4-103, Chapman 4-30, Coney 3-35, Morgan 1-13, Gladney 1-9, Ball 1-7. Troy - Douglas 7-92, McCormick 4-37, Chunn 4-29, Eafford 2-54, Quisenberry 2-25, Willis 2-20, Thompson 2-18, Johnson 2-17, Jones 1-16, Letton 1-4, Davis 1-2.





GAME 14 at FAU | BOCA RATON BOWL

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BOWLING GREEN

◆ Saturday, Sept. 30

◆ 6 PM | ESPN3

◆ Doyt Perry Stadium

Akron (2-3, 1-0 MAC)	13	7	7	7	-	34
Bowling Green (0-5, 0-1 MAC)	6	7	10	0	-	23

BOWLING GREEN, Ohio - The Akron Zips led all but 2:36 en route to a 34-23 win over Bowling Green in the Mid-American Conference opener on Saturday evening at Doyt Perry Stadium.

The Zips reached the end zone five times as senior QB Thomas Woodson led the offense with 168 yards in the air, completing 13-of-24 passes with two touchdowns. He added an 11-yard touchdown run and totaled 24 yards on the ground on eight attempts.

Woodson's main target was senior WR A.J. Coney who caught five passes for 42 yards with a touchdown. Senior WR Austin Wolf followed with three catches and 68 yards receiving, including a 43-yard long touchdown reception.

On the ground, junior RB Van Edwards, Jr., carried the load. Edwards gained 70 yards on 14 attempts with a touchdown, while senior RB Manny Morgan picked up 51 yards on 11 rushing attempts. In addition, senior RB Warren Ball left the game with an injury after three carries.

The Akron defense also put points on the scoreboard as junior CB Kyron Brown recorded a pick-six for his first career touchdown. The Zips won the turnover battle, 4-3, which included three forced fumbles and two interceptions.

SCORING SUMMARY: UA-BG

1st	11:44	UA	Coney 4 yd. pass from Woodson (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 6 plays, 19 yards in 2:22	7 - 0
	8:13	BG	Domer 2 yd. run (Suder kick blocked)	
			Drive: 4 plays, 34 yards in 1:03	7 - 6
	5:59	UA	Wolf 43 yd. pass from Woodson (O'Leary kick failed)	
			Drive: 6 plays, 75 yards in 2:14	13 - 6
2nd	9:38	UA	Edwards 3 yd. run (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 8 plays, 80 yards in 3:44	20 - 6
	6:10	BG	Folkertsma 17 yd pass from Morgan (Suder kick)	
			Drive: 11 plays, 71 yards in 3:21	20 - 13
3rd	13:11	BG	Clair 26 yd. pass from Morgan (Suder kick)	
			Drive: 4 plays, 46 yards in 1:31	20 - 20
	7:02	BG	Suder 25 yd. field goal	
			Drive: 12 plays, 77 yards in 4:41	20 - 23
	4:17	UA	Woodson 11 yd. run (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 7 plays, 63 yards in 2:36	27 - 23
4th	5:12	UA	K. Brown 38 yd. interception return (O'Leary kick)	34 - 23

	AKRON	BGSU
FIRST DOWNS	19	17
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	40-178	41-181
PASSING YDS (NET)	183	201
Passes Comp-Att-Int	14-25-1	24-38-2
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	65-361	79-376
Fumble Returns-Yards-TD	1-16-0	1-7-0
Punt Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	2-27-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards-TD	4-90-0	6-164-0
Interception Returns-Yards-TD	2-48-1	1-0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-43.0	5-41.0
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	5-2
Penalties-Yards	1-5	8-77
Possession Time	29:36	30:24
Third-Down Conversions	46% (6 of 13)	33% (6 of 18)
Fourth-Down Conversions	50% (1 of 2)	100% (2 of 2)
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-3	3-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-4	1-7

RUSHING:

UA - Edwards 14-70, Morgan 11-50, Nelson 4-27, Woodson 4-24, Ball 3-7. BG - Cleveland 20-94, Domer 4-42, Clair 4-27, Morgan 5-12, Skattebo 1-8, Wilson 3-7, Loy 3-3, Team 1-(-12).

PASSING:

UA - Woodson 13-24-1-168-2, Nelson 1-1-0-15-0. BG - Morgan 17-28-1-163-2, Doege 6-9-1-14-0, Wilcox 1-1-0-18-0, Loy 0-0-0-0-0.

RECEIVING:

UA - Coney 5-42, Wolf 3-68, Chapman 2-23, Booker 1-18, Smith 1-15, Gladney 1-13, Morgan 1-4. BG - Miller 10-60, Redding 4-36, Cleveland 3-15, Clair 2-33, Guyton 2-10, Doege 1-18, Folkertsma 1-17, Morris 1-6.

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CARDINALS BALL STATE

◆ Saturday, Oct. 7

◆ 3:30 p.m. • ESPN3

◆ InfoCision Stadium - Summa Field

Ball State (2-4, 0-2 MAC)	3	0	0	0	-	3
Akron (3-3, 2-0 MAC)	7	10	0	14	-	31

AKRON, Ohio- Akron football entered the second half with a 14-point advantage and tacked on 14 more points en route to a 31-3 win over Ball State during Saturday's Homecoming game at InfoCision Stadium- Summa Field.

Senior QB Thomas Woodson completed 17 passes for 211 yards with two touchdowns. Senior WR A.J. Coney hauled in six passes for a team-best 90 yards, while junior WR Kwadarrus Smith caught three passes for 74 yards and a touchdown and senior WR Austin Wolf was targeted four times for 57 yards and a touchdown.

On the ground, sophomore RB Deltron Sands racked up 53 yards on six carries with a 32-yard touchdown run, while senior RB Manny Morgan used eight carries for 44 yards.

Defensively, the Zips issued five sacks and three interceptions while limiting the Cardinals to just three points. Junior LB Ulysees Gilbert III and senior LB Andrew Hauser led Akron with 13 tackles apiece. Gilbert added a sack for eight yards of loss, while Hauser grabbed his first career interception.

SCORING SUMMARY: BSU-UA

1st	11:46	UA	Wolf 24 yd. pass from Woodson (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 8 plays, 75 yards in 3:14	0 - 7
	0:18	BS	Hagee 31 yd. field goal	
			Drive: 11 plays, 51 yards in 3:31	3 - 7
2nd	12:09	UA	Sands 32 yd. run (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 8 plays, 75 yards in 3:09	3 - 14
	1:30	UA	O'Leary 48 yd. field goal	
			Drive: 7 plays, 49 yards in 2:18	3 - 17
4th	11:16	UA	Smith 21 yd. pass from Woodson (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 8 plays, 53 yards in 3:44	3 - 24
	3:01	UA	Lako 35 yd. interception return (O'Leary kick)	3 - 31

	BALL STATE	AKRON
FIRST DOWNS	22	19
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	44-155	31-134
PASSING YDS (NET)	221	249
Passes Comp-Att-Int	24-46-3	18-31-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	90-376	62-383
Fumble Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Punt Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	2-7-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards-TD	4-108-0	0-0-0
Interception Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	3-75-1
Punts (Number-Avg)	7-36.4	6-45.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	1-15	2-15
Possession Time	33:40	26:20
Third-Down Conversions	40% (8 of 20)	33% (4 of 12)
Fourth-Down Conversions	100% (1 of 1)	67% (2 of 3)
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-3	0-0
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-6	5-36

RUSHING:

BSU - Huntley 25-129, Dunner 8-37, Milas 9-7, Blair 2-(-18). Akron - Sands 6-52, Morgan 8-43, Edwards 7-19, Nelson 4-11, Turfe 1-8, Woodson 5-1.

PASSING:

BSU - Milas 21-41-3-176-0, Blair 3-5-0-45-0. Akron - Woodson 17-30-0-211-2, Nelson 1-1-0-38-0.

RECEIVING:

BSU - Hall 7-48, Givan 4-39, Dunner 3-28, Huntley 3-21, Davis 2-41, Miller 2-14, Littles 1-14, Pinter 1-13, Endsley 1-3. Akron - Coney 6-90, Wolf 4-57, Smith 3-74, Chapman 3-23, Young 1-4, Edwards 1-1.



2017 FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



GAME 14 at FAU | BOCA RATON BOWL

#7 BRONCOS WESTERN MICHIGAN

- ◆ Sunday, Oct. 15
- ◆ 1 PM | Streamed *[scheduled for CBS-SN]*
- ◆ Waldo Stadium

Akron (4-3, 3-0 MAC)	7	7	0	0	-	14
Western Michigan (4-3, 2-1 MAC)	0	3	0	10	-	13

KALAMAZOO, Mich. - Rain and flooding postponed the game, but didn't deter the teams, as Akron and Western Michigan took the football field for Mid-American Conference action on Sunday at Waldo Stadium. On a chilly and rainy afternoon, Akron upset the defending MAC champions 14-13.

Senior RB Manny Morgan led the Zips' rushing efforts with 12 carries for 53 yards. Senior QB Thomas Woodson went 13-of-24 for 127 yards and a touchdown.

Senior captain WR A.J. Coney led the receivers with three receptions for 38 yards.

Defensively, sophomore CB Alvin Davis led the Zips with 12 tackles, while junior LB Ulysees Gilbert III had 10 tackles and a sack that sealed the win with 12 seconds remaining.

On Western Michigan's opening drive, CB Kyron Brown intercepted the ball on the 24 yardline and returned the ball 70 yards to the WMU 24. Two plays later, Woodson hit freshman TE Kobie Booker with a 13-yard touchdown pass. O'Leary tacked on the extra point to give UA an early 7-0 lead.

To open the second quarter, the Broncos couldn't convert in the red zone. Held to a 25-yard field goal attempt by the UA defense, the kick went wide left. Akron took advantage of the opportunity, driving to the one. One back-to-back direct snaps, RB Manny Morgan ran the ball into the end zone for a one-yard score, giving the Zips a 14-0 edge with 10:07 to go in the half.

SCORING SUMMARY:				UA-WMU
1st	8:25	UA	Booker 13 yd. pass from Woodson (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 2 plays, 24 yards in 0:34	7 - 0
2nd	10:07	UA	Morgan 1 yd. run (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 10 plays, 80 yards in 4:42	14 - 0
	7:39	WM	Grant 49 yd. field goal	
			Drive: 5 plays, 36 yards in 2:28	14 - 3
4th	10:38	WM	Esckridge 50 yd. pass from Wassink (Grant kick)	
			Drive: 6 plays, 68 yards in 2:44	14 - 10
	5:07	WM	Grant 35 yd. field goal	
			Drive: 10 plays, 47 yards in 3:52	14 - 13

	AKRON	WESTERN
FIRST DOWNS	14	26
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	31-88	53-244
PASSING YDS (NET)	127	182
Passes Comp-Att-Int	13-24-1	17-29-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	55-215	82-426
Fumble Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Punt Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-15-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards-TD	3-51-0	3-25-0
Interception Returns-Yards-TD	1-70-0	1-0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	7-36.1	3-24.7
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	9-93	6-62
Possession Time	26:51	33:09
Third-Down Conversions	33% (4 of 12)	35% (6 of 17)
Fourth-Down Conversions	0% (0 of 0)	75% (3 of 4)
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-2	1-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-6	2-10

RUSHING:

UA - Morgan 12-53, Edwards 13-38, Woodson 6-(-3). WMU - Franklin 31-130, Bogan 10-68, Bellamy 6-37, Esckridge 2-7, Wassink 4-2.

PASSING:

UA - Woodson 13-24-1-127-1. WMU - Wassink 17-29-1-182-1.

RECEIVING:

UA - Coney 3-38, Booker 2-34, Bickley 2-27, Smith 2-10, Morgan 2-5, Chapman 1-14, Edwards 1-(-1). WMU - Esckridge 7-93, Watson 6-54, Curtis 2-18, Sanders 1-15m Ernsberger 1-2.

#8 ROCKETS TOLEDO

- ◆ Saturday, Oct. 21
- ◆ Noon • ESPN3
- ◆ Glass Bowl

Akron (4-4, 3-1 MAC)	0	7	0	14	-	21
Toledo (6-1, 3-0 MAC)	21	3	14	10	-	48

TOLEDO, Ohio - The Toledo Rockets utilized 626 yards of total offense en route to a 48-21 win over Akron in Mid-American Conference action on Saturday afternoon at the Glass Bowl.

Senior QB Thomas Woodson led under center for Akron, going 18-of-33 for 205 yards and two touchdowns. Senior WR Tra'Von Chapman led the receivers with 70 yards and a touchdown on six receptions, while senior RB Manny Morgan was the top rusher with 25 yards on nine carries. Defensively, LB Ulysees Gilbert, DL Ibrahima Camara, and DE Jamal Davis led the Zips with eight tackles each.

For the Rockets, QB Logan Woodside threw for 304 yards and five touchdowns on 17-of-24.

SCORING SUMMARY:				UA-UT
1st	11:33	UT	J. Johnson 24 yd. pass from Woodside (Vest kick)	
			Drive: 7 plays, 60 yards in 3:27	0 - 7
	3:12	UT	Phillips 40 yd. pass from Woodside (Vest kick)	
			Drive: 7 plays, 75 yards in 3:48	0 - 14
	1:57	UT	McKinley-Lewis 13 yd. pass from Woodside (Vest kick)	
			Drive: 3 plays, 36 yards in 1:03	0 - 21
2nd	14:54	UA	Booker 25 yd. pass from Woodson (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 8 plays, 75 yards in 2:03	7 - 21
	10:23	UT	Vest 40 yd. field goal	
			Drive: 10 plays, 46 yards in 4:25	7 - 24
3rd	10:23	UT	J. Johnson 25 yd. pass from Woodside (Vest kick)	
			Drive: 10 plays, 93 yards in 4:39	7 - 31
	0:17	UT	D. Johnson 11 yd. pass from Woodside (Vest kick)	
			Drive: 7 plays, 77 yards in 3:50	7 - 38
4th	11:32	UA	Chapman 17 yd. pass from Woodson (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 10 plays, 75 yards in 3:45	14 - 38
	7:12	UT	Vest 29 yd. field goal	
			Drive: 9 plays, 44 yards in 4:14	14 - 41
	4:29	UA	Smith 47 yd. pass from Kelley (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 7 plays, 75 yards in 2:43	21 - 41
	1:40	UT	Seymour 15 yd. run (Vest kick)	
			Drive: 7 plays, 66 yards in 2:49	21 - 48

	AKRON	TOLEDO
FIRST DOWNS	23	35
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	24-42	43-303
PASSING YDS (NET)	291	323
Passes Comp-Att-Int	23-40-1	18-28-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	64-333	71-626
Fumble Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Punt Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards-TD	3-66-0	3-83-0
Interception Returns-Yards-TD	1-14-0	1-0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-43.2	1-45.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	1-15	2-15
Possession Time	26:34	33:26
Third-Down Conversions	46% (6 of 13)	67% (6 of 9)
Fourth-Down Conversions	100% (1 of 1)	0% (0 of 0)
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-1	4-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	1-11

RUSHING:

Akron - Edwards 9-25, Morgan 9-15, Sands 3-10, Woodson 3-(-8). UT - Swanson 20-123, Seymour 7-71, Thompkins 10-50, Woodside 3-39, Guadagni 2-18, Julian 1-2.

PASSING:

Akron - Woodson 18-33-1-205-2, Kelley 5-7-0-86-1. UT - Woodside 17-245-1-304-5, Julian 1-3-0-19-0, Guadagni 0-1-0-0-0.

RECEIVING:

Akron - Chapman 6-70, Wolf 4-44, Smith 3-72, Bickley 3-41, Coney 3-24, Booker 2-35, Edwards 1-5, Morgan 1-0. UT - J. Johnson 5-102, Fisher 2-37, D. Johnson 2-31, Mitchell 2-29, Swanson 2-29, Phillips 1-40, Seymour 1-20, McKinley-Lewis 1-13, Gilliam 1-13, Rosi 1-9.





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BULLS
BUFFALO

- ◆ Saturday, Oct. 28
- ◆ 11:30 AM | CBS Sports Network
- ◆ InfoCision Stadium - Summa Field

Buffalo (3-6, 1-4 MAC)	7	6	0	7	-	20
Akron (5-4, 4-1 MAC)	7	7	0	7	-	21

AKRON, Ohio - The Akron Zips claimed their fifth win of the season with a 21-20 victory over Buffalo in Mid-American Conference action on a cold and rainy Saturday afternoon at InfoCision Stadium-Summa Field.

With the victory, Akron moved into the top spot in the MAC East standings. This is the fifth consecutive season the Zips have won at least five games (2013-17).

Senior QB Thomas Woodson went 21-of-29 and threw for a season-high 286 yards and all three touchdowns. He moved into second place on Akron's career passing chart and now has 6,829 yards (second to Charlie Frye). Woodson is also second in career passing touchdowns with 53.

Senior A.J. Coney led the receivers with a career-high 91 yards on a career-high seven receptions. On the ground, sophomore Deltron Sands was the top rusher with seven carries for a career-high 70 yards.

Defensively, DB Jordan George had a career-high 11 tackles and an interception.

SCORING SUMMARY:				UB-UA
1st	6:10	UB	Reed 2 yd. run (Mitcheson kick)	
			Drive: 6 plays, 80 yards in 1:40	7 - 0
	2:50	UA	Bickley 23 yd. pass from Woodson (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 6 plays, 67 yards in 3:14	7 - 7
2nd	12:17	UB	Mitcheson 37 yd. field goal	
			Drive: 13 plays, 55 yards in 5:53	10 - 7
	4:50	UA	Wolf 41 yd. pass from Woodson (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 8 plays, 75 yards in 4:04	10 - 14
	0:04	UB	Mitcheson 36 yd. field goal	
			Drive: 11 plays, 54 yards in 4:23	13 - 14
4th	14:25	UB	Reed 10 yd. run (Mitcheson kick)	
			Drive: 11 plays, 54 yards in 4:23	20 - 14
	4:46	UA	Gladney 36 yd. pass from Woodson (O'Leary kick)	
			Drive: 6 plays, 91 yards in 2:51	20 - 21

	BUFFALO	AKRON
FIRST DOWNS	28	18
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	34-141	25-76
PASSING YDS (NET)	313	286
Passes Comp-Att-Int	34-50-1	21-29-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	84-454	54-362
Fumble Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Punt Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards-TD	3-56-0	4-88-0
Interception Returns-Yards-TD	1-0-0	1-0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-36.0	4-41.8
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	4-31	4-49
Possession Time	33:52	26:08
Third-Down Conversions	44% (8 of 18)	50% (6 of 12)
Fourth-Down Conversions	100% (2 of 2)	100% (1 of 1)
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-5	0-1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-13	1-5

RUSHING:

UB - Reed 28-116, Anderson 2-20, Nunn 1-7, Osborn 2-3, Jackson 1-(-5). UA - Sands 7-70, Morgan 6-16, Edwards 7-3, Woodson 3-(-6), Teram 2-(-8).

PASSING:

UB - Jackson 34-50-1-313-0. UA - Woodson 21-29-1-286-3.

RECEIVING:

UB - Holsey 7-100, Johnson 6-61, Osborn 6-36, Mabry 5-37,, Eiland 4-33, Reed 4-26, Anderson 1-13, Gray 1-7. UA - Coney 7-91, Chapman 5-66, Wolf 2-52, Bickley 2-37, Sands 2-0, Gladney 1-36, Junk 1-4, Edwards 1-0.

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REDFAWKS
MIAMI

- ◆ Tuesday, Nov. 7
- ◆ 7:30 PM • ESPN2
- ◆ Yager Stadium

Akron (5-5, 4-2 MAC)	7	0	0	7	-	14
Miami (4-6, 3-3 MAC)	7	3	14	0	-	24

OXFORD, Ohio - In their final road game of the regular season, the Akron Zips dropped a 24-14 decision at Miami (Ohio) in Mid-American Conference action on Tuesday night at Yager Stadium.

Making his first start at quarterback, redshirt freshman Kato Nelson went 19-of-38 for 218 yards and a touchdown.

Junior WR Kwadarrus Smith led the receivers with a career-high six receptions for 69 yards. Senior RB Manny Morgan was the top rusher with 41 yards on 10 carries. Defensively, sophomore CB Alvin Davis led Akron with nine tackles.

For the RedHawks, QB Gus Ragland went 19-of-32 for 244 yards and three touchdowns while throwing two interceptions. Kenny Young rushed for 100 yards on 14 carries and had 98 receiving yards and a touchdown on nine catches.

SCORING SUMMARY:				UA-MU
1st	4:56	UA	Nelson 7 yd. run (Gasser kick)	
			Drive: 6 plays, 35 yards in 2:33	7 - 0
	1:05	MU	Martin 19 yd. pass from Ragland (Sloman kick)	
			Drive: 8 plays, 70 yards in 3:46	7 - 7
2nd	0:00	MU	Sloman 28 yd. field goal	
			Drive: 7 plays, 47 yards in 1:14	7 - 10
3rd	6:45	MU	Young 30 yd. pass from Ragland (Sloman kick)	
			Drive: 6 plays, 72 yards in 3:03	7 - 17
	0:34	MU	Gardner 19 yd. pass from Ragland (Sloman kick)	
			Drive: 7 plays, 62 yards in 3:10	7 - 24
4th	13:09	UA	Chapman 30 yd. pass from Nelson (Gasser kick)	
			Drive: 7 plays, 85 yards in 2:19	14 - 24

	AKRON	MIAMI
FIRST DOWNS	18	26
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	30-55	34-176
PASSING YDS (NET)	218	244
Passes Comp-Att-Int	19-38-0	19-32-2
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	68-273	66-420
Fumble Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Punt Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards-TD	4-56-0	2-40-0
Interception Returns-Yards-TD	2-41-0	0-0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	6-45.7	5-36.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	5-57	4-40
Possession Time	29:39	30:21
Third-Down Conversions	44% (7 of 16)	40% (4 of 10)
Fourth-Down Conversions	0% (0 of 2)	0% (0 of 0)
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-2	3-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	6-34

RUSHING:

Akron - Morgan 10-41, Nelson 19-12, Edwards 1-2. Miami - Young 14-100, Smith 13-51, Ragland 3-21, Bester 1-8, Team 3-(-4).

PASSING:

Akron - Nelson 19-38-0-218-1. Miami - Ragland 19-32-2-244-3.

RECEIVING:

Akron - Smith 6-69, Wolf 3-45, Chapman 3-33, Coney 2-36, Williams 2-13, Edwards 1-13, Morgan 1-7, Sands 1-2. Miami - Young 9-98, Murphy 3-33, Smith 2-40, Gardner 2-39, Martin 2-28, Becker 1-6.



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BOBCATS
OHIO

- ◆ Tuesday, Nov. 14
- ◆ 7 PM | ESPN2
- ◆ InfoCision Stadium - Summa Field

Ohio (8-3, 5-2 MAC)	14	10	3	7	-	34
Akron (6-5, 5-2 MAC)	10	20	0	7	-	37

AKRON, Ohio - The Akron football team earned bowl eligibility for the second time in three years with a 37-34 win over Ohio on Tuesday night at InfoCision Stadium-Summa Field.

Redshirt freshman QB Kato Nelson and junior WR Kwadarrus Smith led the Zips' offense with career-high numbers. Nelson tossed a career-best 322 yards in the air with a career-high four touchdowns, while Smith led the receiving corps with 132 yards and a pair of touchdowns. Seniors WRA.J. Coney and WR Austin Wolf also added touchdown receptions.

Senior RB Manny Morgan led the ground attack with 55 yards and a touchdown on 14 carries, while Nelson followed with 45 yards on 14 rushes. Defensively, the Zips picked-off two passes, while junior LB Ulysees Gilbert III paced the defense with 11 tackles.

SCORING SUMMARY:					OU-UA
1st	12:56	OU	Rourke 68 yd. run (Zervos kick)		
			Drive: 2 plays, 76 yards in 0:42		7 - 0
	5:45	UA	Gasser 19 yd. field goal		
			Drive: 15 plays, 75 yards in 7:05		7 - 3
	4:13	UA	Coney 16 yd. pass from Nelson (Gasser kick)		
			Drive: 4 plays, 26 yards in 0:44		7 - 10
	1:32	OU	Rourke 3 yd. pass from Cope (Zervos kick)		
			Drive: 6 plays, 57 yards in 2:34		14 - 10
2nd	14:54	OU	Brown 5 yd. run (Zervos kick)		
			Drive: 2 plays, 6 yards in 0:15		21 - 10
	11:12	UA	Smith 71 yd. pass from Nelson (Gasser kick)		
			Drive: 1 plays, 71 yards in 0:20		21 - 17
	10:56	UA	Wolf 23 yd. pass from Nelson (Gasser kick)		
			Drive: 1 plays, 23 yards in 0:07		21 - 24
	6:14	OU	Zervos 19 yd. field goal		
			Drive: 11 plays, 74 yards in 4:42		24 - 24
	5:01	UA	Smith 54 yd. pass from Nelson (Gasser rush fumbled)		
			Drive: 3 plays, 77 yards in 1:07		24 - 30
3rd	3:17	OU	Zervos 46 yd. field goal		
			Drive: 8 plays, 58 yards in 4:51		27 - 30
4th	11:30	UA	Morgan 8 yd. run (Gasser kick)		
			Drive: 5 plays, 24 yards in 2:04		27 - 37
	5:59	OU	Rourke 8 yd. run (Zervos kick)		
			Drive: 11 plays, 71 yards in 5:28		34 - 37

	OHIO	AKRON
FIRST DOWNS	23	18
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	43-282	32-121
PASSING YDS (NET)	113	322
Passes Comp-Att-Int	10-23-2	22-38-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	66-395	70-443
Fumble Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Punt Returns-Yards-TD	2-15-0	1-2-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards-TD	5-122-0	6-90-0
Interception Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	2-73-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-38.5	8-34.6
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-0
Penalties-Yards	2-19	16-167
Possession Time	29:46	30:14
Third-Down Conversions	16% (2 of 12)	35% (6 of 17)
Fourth-Down Conversions	50% (1 of 2)	100% (1 of 1)
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-4	3-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	0-0

RUSHING:

OU - Rourke 15-165, Ouellette 24-74, White 2-38, Brown 2-5. UA - Morgan 14-55, Nelson 14-45, Edwards 4-21.

PASSING:

OU - Rourke 9-22-2-110-0, Cope 1-1-0-3-1. UA - Nelson 22-38-0-322-4.

RECEIVING:

OU - White 6-68, Cope 2-23, Meyer 1-19, Rourke 1-3. UA - Chapman 7-58, Wolf 5-57, Gladney 3-31, Smith 3-132, Morgan 2-8, Williams 1-20, Coney 1-16.

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GOLDEN FLASHES
KENT STATE

- ◆ Tuesday, Nov. 21
- ◆ 7 PM • ESPN2
- ◆ InfoCision Stadium - Summa Field

Kent State (2-10, 1-7 MAC)	0	7	7	0	-	14
Akron (7-5, 6-2 MAC)	10	14	0	0	-	24

AKRON, Ohio - The University of Akron football team captured the 2017 Mid-American Conference East Division title on the strength of a 24-14 victory over rival Kent State while claiming its third consecutive Wagon Wheel victory at InfoCision Stadium-Summa Field on Tuesday night.

With the win, Akron improved to 7-5 overall and 6-2 in league play. The Zips will play for the 2017 MAC Championship. Kent finished the season at 2-10 overall and 1-7 in MAC play.

Also with the win, Akron earned one point for the Crystal Clinic Orthopedic Wagon Wheel Challenge, bringing the overall tally to 3.5 to 1.5 in the Zips' favor.

The Zips wasted no time entering Kent State territory as redshirt freshman QB Kato Nelson used seven plays to travel 75 yards for Akron's first score. The drive lasted 3:16, and started with a three-yard rush by senior RB Manny Morgan. Nelson followed with a 12-yard strike to senior WR A.J. Coney and a 24-yard rush of his own, entering the Golden Flashes' side of the field at the 36-yard line.

The Zips' offensive efforts were led by Nelson, completing six passes for 69 yards, which included the 25-yard touchdown pass to Booker. Junior RB Van Edwards, Jr., carried most of the load on the ground, posting 6.1 yards per carry on nine touches and 55 total yards. Morgan followed with 46 yards and added a touchdown, while Nelson rounded out the ground attack with 21 yards.

SCORING SUMMARY:					KSU-UA
1st	11:44	UA	Booker 25 yd. pass from Nelson (Gasser kick)		
			Drive: 7 plays, 75 yards in 3:16		0 - 7
	3:46	UA	Gasser 45 yd. field goal		
			Drive: 6 plays, 37 yards in 2:13		0 - 10
2nd	11:22	KS	Rankin 8 yd. run (Hynes kick)		
			Drive: 3 plays, 25 yards in 1:14		7 - 10
	0:18	UA	Morgan 1 yd. run (Gasser kick)		
			Drive: 6 plays, 40 yards in 1:21		7 - 17
	0:00	UA	Gilbert 40 yd. fumble recovery (Gasser kick)		
			Drive: 1 plays, 40 yards in 0:00		7 - 24
3rd	1:20	KS	Butler 1 yd. pass from Rankin (Hynes kick)		
			Drive: 12 plays, 86 yards in 6:22		14 - 24

	KENT STATE	AKRON
FIRST DOWNS	13	15
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	45-161	39-122
PASSING YDS (NET)	85	69
Passes Comp-Att-Int	9-19-2	6-20-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	64-246	59-191
Fumble Returns-Yards-TD	0-0-0	2-2-0
Punt Returns-Yards-TD	1-0-0	1-0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards-TD	3-39-0	2-35-0
Interception Returns-Yards-TD	1-19-0	2-2-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	8-40.1	9-40.8
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	2-0
Penalties-Yards	9-84	5-20
Possession Time	31:12	28:48
Third-Down Conversions	23% (3 of 13)	17% (2 of 12)
Fourth-Down Conversions	0% (0 of 0)	0% (0 of 0)
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-2	1-2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	6-55	5-23

RUSHING:

Kent - Crum 12-77, Rankin 21-73, Gamble 3-22, Bolas 9(-4), Carrigan 1(-7). Akron - Edwards 9-55, Morgan 11-46, Nelson 19-21.

PASSING:

Kent - Bolas 4-13-2-44-0, Crum 4-5-0-40-0, Rannkin 1-1-0-1-1. Akron - Nelson 6-20-1-69-1.

RECEIVING:

Kent - Rankin 4-25, Price 2-42, White 1-12, Carrigan 1-5, Butler 1-1. Akron - Morgan 2-4, Booker 1-25, Wolf 1-15, Chapman 1-13, Coney 1-12.



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2017 Mid-American Conference Championship

Second Championship Appearance

Attendance 16,225
Kickoff Time 12:03 p.m.
End of Game 3:57 p.m.
Total Elapsed Time 3:54
Officials: Referee- Curt Johnson; Umpire- John Hanneke; Linesman- Vince Winters; Line Judge- G. Jogodzinski; Back Judge- Justin Shaeher; Field Judge- John Masterson; Side Judge- Art Lucky; Center Judge- Jason Grant
Weather: Indoors

Head Coaches

Akron Terry Bowden
 Toledo Jason Candle

Team Stats	UA	UT
First Downs	20	26
Rushes- Net Yards	33-113	39-254
Net Yards Passing	283	307
Pass Comp-Attempts-Int	18-42-1	23-37-2
Total Offense (Plays-Yds)	75-396	76-561
Fumble returns-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Kickoff returns-Yds-TD	0-0-0	2-32-0
Interception returns-Yds-TD	2-45-0	1-8-0
Punts (Number-Avg.)	7-42.7	3-38.3
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	4-3
Penalties-Yards	3-25	4-43
Possession Time	27:58	32:02
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 18	4 of 11
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 3	1 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-4	4-6
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	4-23

Rushing: Akron- Morgan 11-51, Edwards 10-46, Nelson 10-10, Woodson 2-6. UT- Swanson 21-180, Seymour 8-39, Thimpkins 5-30, Woodside 2-14, Phillips 1-(-3), Team 2-(-6).

Passing: Akron- Nelson 8-18-0-177-2, Woodson 5-14-1-35-0, Kelley 5-9-0-71-1, Chapman 0-1-0-0-0. UT- Woodside 23-37-2-307-4.

Receiving: Akron- Smith 3-114, Wolf 2-41, Coney 2-23, Morgan 2-17, Booker 2-14, Edwards 2-11, Chapman 2-8, Williams 1-37, Stewart 1-9, Gladney 1-8. UT- D. Johnson 9-118, J. Johnson 6-103, McKinley-Lewis 2-13, Rosi 1-18, Richards 1-17, Mitchell 1-12, Seymour 1-12, Phillips 1-8, Swanson 1-6.

Interceptions: Akron- George 1-20, Gilbert 1-25. UT- Mathis 1-8.

Tackles (UA-A): Akron- George 5-5, Gilbert 5-5, J. Davis 8-0, A. Davis 5-3, Dailey 4-0, Brown 3-1, Bell 1-3, Boxen 0-4, Featherstone 2-1, Lako 1-2, Camara 1-1, eight players with 1. UT- Quinn 2-8, Woodley 4-4, Adeniyi 5-1, Teachey 3-3, Blue 2-4, Linch 0-5, Robinson 2-2, Mathis 1-3, Whitfield 2-0, Clark 1-1, Hollman 1-1, Childress 1-1, Olekanma 0-2, Moore 0-2, Taafe 0-2, seven players with one.

- ◆ Toledo 45, Akron 28
- ◆ December 2, 2017
- ◆ Ford Field | Detroit, Mich.

Akron	0	0	7	21	-	28
Toledo	7	21	10	7	-	45



DETROIT -- The University of Akron football team could not overcome a 28-0 halftime deficit and fell to Toledo, 45-28, in the 2017 Mid-American Conference championship game before 16,225 fans on Saturday at Ford Field.

Akron fell to 7-6 overall, while the Rockets improved to 11-2 overall. Both teams now await bowl berths which will be announced on Sunday afternoon.

Akron started the game with the ball but was forced to punt. Toledo went three-and-out on its opening drive.

On its second drive, Toledo jumped on the scoreboard first. UT's Danzel McKinley-Lewis returned a punt 48 yards to the 17. On the next play, Dontae Johnson caught a 27-yard pass from QB Logan Woodside, the MAC Offensive Player of the Year, to go ahead 7-0.

Redshirt senior QB Thomas Woodson replaced starter Kato Nelson for a series in the first quarter, his first action since the win over Buffalo (Oct. 28).

He took over under center on last drive of the first quarter.

With 1:54 to go, the Rockets' Jameson Vest missed a 33-yard field goal attempt. UT led after the first quarter, 7-0.

In the second quarter, junior LB Brian Bell (Valdosta, Ga.) recovered a fumble on the 37. The recovery set up a field goal attempt for the Zips, but Nick Gasser's 42-yard attempt was blocked by Childress, who returned the ball 36 yards to the 34.

Toledo took advantage of the turnover with a two-yard rushing touchdown by Terry Swanson to take a 14-0 lead.

The Rockets went ahead 21-0 as Johnson scored again, this time on a five-yard reception.

With 2:41 to go in the first half, first-team All-MAC LB Ulysees Gilbert III intercepted a Woodside pass and returned it 25 yards. The Zips could not get into the red zone and were forced to punt.





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On their final drive of the half, the Rockets began its drive on the three and marched the ball 97 yards to the end zone as Jon'Vea Johnson caught a 27-yard touchdown with eight seconds on the clock. Toledo led at intermission, 28-0.

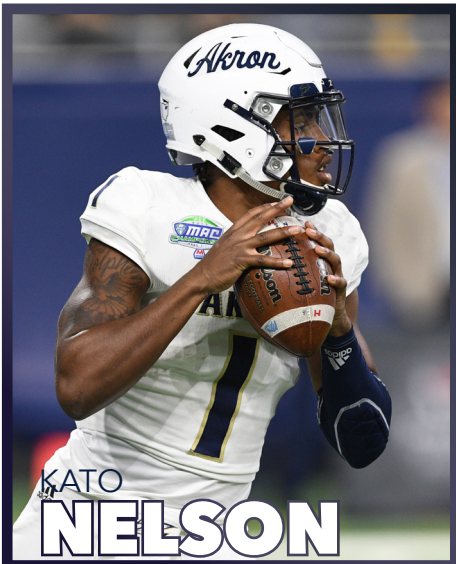
In the third quarter, Vest converted a 47-yard field goal to give UT a 31-0 edge.

Akron finally got on the scoreboard with 30 seconds to go in the quarter. RB Manny Morgan took a direct snap and marched seven yards into the endzone.

The Zips opened the fourth quarter with an interception by junior DB Jordan George. UA scored on the next play as Woodson hit senior WR Austin Wolf with a 29-yard touchdown reception. UT led 38-14 with 14:38 remaining in the game.

On Toledo's next drive, senior DL Ibrahima Camara forced a fumble, recovered by junior DB Darian Dailley, and the Zips took over on the 42. Nelson fumbled the ball on the next play, returning the ball to Toledo.

The Rockets scored on the next play with a 54-yard pass to Swanson to go ahead 45-14.

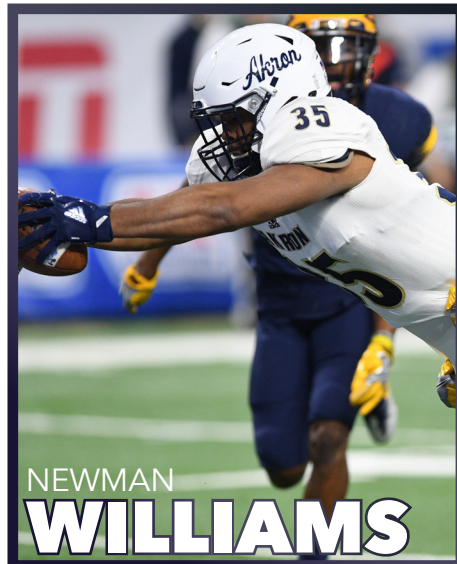


Akron finished the game with two more scores. Nelson connected with junior WR Kwadarrius Smith on a 44-yard touchdown pass with 6:09 to go.

On the final drive, junior QB Robbie Kelley threw a five-yard touchdown to freshman TE Kobie Booker.

For the Zips, Nelson went 8-of-18 for 177 yards and two touchdowns, while Woodson was 5-of-14 for 35 yards. Smith led the receivers with 114 yards and a touchdown on three receptions, while Morgan led the rushing efforts with 51 yards and a touchdown on 11 carries. Gilbert and George led Akron with 10 tackles apiece.

For the Rockets, Woodside, the Player of the Game, went 23-of-37 for 307 yards and four touchdowns.



Zips Notes

- The game was Akron's second appearance in the MAC Championship game and first since 2005.
- The Zips stand 1-3 overall at Ford Field (1-1 in MAC Championship games, 0-1 in 2005 bowl game).
- Junior DB Jordan George intercepted the ball in the fourth quarter, leading to a UA touchdown on the very next play.
- Redshirt junior QB Robbie Kelley threw a five-yard touchdown pass in the fourth quarter, his second as a Zip.

Scoring Summary

		V-H
1st		
10:10	UT- Diontae Johnson 27-yd. pass from Woodside (Vest kick), 1-17, 0:24	0-7
2nd		
11:22	UT- Swanson 2-yd. run (Vest kick), 3-70, 0:57	0-14
6:51	UT- Johnson 5-yd. pass from Woodside (Vest kick), 8-64, 3:33	0-21
0:08	UT- Jon'Vea Johnson 27-yd. pass from Woodside (Vest kick), 8-97, 1:13	0-28
3rd		
7:26	UT- Vest 47-yd. field goal, 7-15, 2:51	0-31
2:25	UT- Seymour 12-yd. pass from Woodside (Vest kick), 7-49, 2:43	0-38
0:30	UA- Morgan 7-yd. run (Gasser kick), 4-75, 1:55	7-38
4th		
14:38	UA- Wolf 29-yd. pass from Nelson (Gasser kick), 1-29, 0:08	14-38
13:35	UT- Swanson 54 yd. run (Vest kick), 1-54, 0:10	14-45
6:09	UA- Smith 44-yd. pass from Nelson (Gasser kick), 7-65, 2:36	21-45
0:20	UA- Booker 5-yd. pass from Kelley (Gasser kick), 12-85, 2:45	28-45





POSTSEASON HISTORY





1968 Grantland Rice Bowl

Akron's First Bowl

- ◆ Louisiana Tech 33, Akron 13
- ◆ December 14, 1968
- ◆ Floyd Stadium | Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Louisiana Tech	21	0	0	12	-	33
Akron	0	7	6	0	-	13

Scoring Summary

- LT - Bradshaw 16-yard run (Golmon kick)
- LT - Spinks 36-yard pass from Bradshaw (Golmon kick)
- LT - Herren 2-yard run (Golmon kick)
- UA - Vargo 1-yard run (Harrison kick)
- UA - Beidleman 13-yard run (kick blocked)
- LT - Brewer 6-yard pass from Bradshaw (kick failed)
- LT - Bradshaw 8-yard run (pass failed)

Team Stats	LT	UA
First Downs	21	14
Rushing Yards	86	118
Passing	33-19-2	21-6-3
Passing Yards	261	78
Total Offense	347	196

UA Individual Stat Leaders:

- Ron Lemon, 18 rushes, 75 yards
- Jack Beidleman, 18 rushes, 48 yards, 1 TD; 2 recs, 22 yards
- Dan Ruff, 4 receptions, 56 yards



MURFREESBORO, Tenn.- It was the first bowl appearance for either team when The University of Akron and Louisiana Tech met in the fifth annual Grantland Rice Bowl for the 1968 College Division Mideast Region Championship.

Both teams touted quarterbacks who rewrote their respective record books.

For the Zips, under head coach Gordon Larson, senior Don Zwisler entered the contest ranked fourth in the nation in passing. For the Bulldogs, junior Terry Bradshaw ranked first in the country.

Tech jumped out to a quick lead with three touchdowns in the first quarter for a 21-0 advantage.

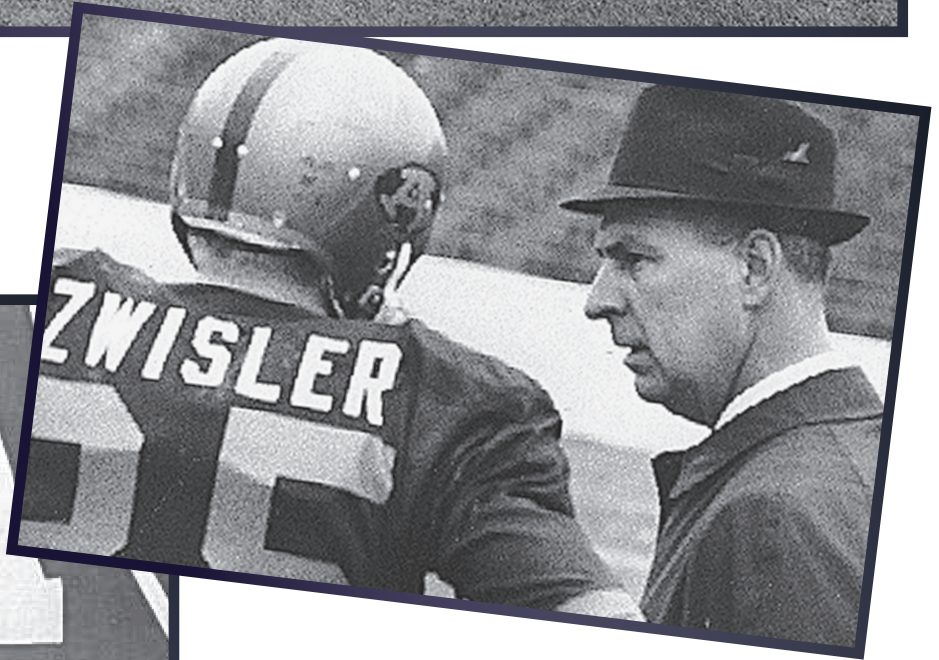
The Zips managed to get on the board with 1:50 left in the half on a 1-yard run from junior fullback John Vargo. At 28, Vargo was the oldest running back in the country.

The Zips opened the second half with their most impressive drive of the day as they marched 80 yards in 19 plays as sophomore halfback Jack Beidleman took the ball in from 13 yards for the Akron score, cutting the lead to 21-13.

The Zips though could draw no closer as two more Bradshaw scores in the fourth quarter sealed the Bulldog win.

On the day, Bradshaw rushed for two scores and threw for two more giving the football world a glimpse of things to come for the NFL Hall of Fame quarterback.







1976 Division II Playoffs | Quarterfinal

First Postseason Victory in Program History

- ◆ Akron 27, UNLV 6
- ◆ November 27, 1976
- ◆ Rubber Bowl | Akron, Ohio



Division II

UNLV	6	0	0	0	-	6
Akron	10	10	0	7	-	27

Scoring Summary

- UA - Embick 24-yard field goal
- UNLV - Bowls 100-yard kickoff return (kick failed)
- UA - Bezbatchenko 43-yard run (Embick kick)
- UA - Hovanec 1-yard run (Embick kick)
- UA - Embick 24-yard field goal
- UA - Evans 14-yard pass from Bezbatchenko (Embick kick)

Team Stats	UNLV	UA
First Downs	14	25
Rushes/Yards	16-8	77-419
Passes	19-42-3	5-10-1
Passing Yards	241	31

UA Individual Stat Leaders:

Mark Hovanec, 21 rushes, 111 yards
Marty Bezbatchenko, 14 rushes, 88 yards
Glenn Evans, 4 receptions, 31 yards, 1 TD



AKRON, Ohio- It was all Akron as the Zips hosted the University of Nevada-Las Vegas at the Rubber Bowl in the quarterfinal round of the 1976 NCAA Division II Playoffs.

Akron head coach Jim Dennison's trademark running attack was true to form as the Blue and Gold racked up 419 yards on the ground, while the defense held the Rebel runners to only eight yards and controlled the game.

The Zips got on the board first, taking the opening kickoff down to the Vegas 7-yard line where Jim Embick split the uprights with a 24-yard field goal for a 3-0 Akron lead.

UNLV had its only point production on the afternoon on the ensuing kickoff when 5-6, 143-lb. freshman Ken Bowls took the Embick kick in the endzone and returned it 100 yards for the Rebel touchdown. UNLV led 6-3 after the extra point attempt missed.

The Zips regained the lead for good later in the first half when quarterback Marty Bezbatchenko scampered 43 yards for a touchdown.

Akron added 10 more points in the second quarter on a 1-yard Mark Hovanec run and a 24-yard Embick field goal.

Bezbatchenko closed out the scoring in the fourth quarter when he hit senior wide receiver Glenn Evans from 14 yards for the Akron touchdown.

For Akron, the win marked the first postseason victory in program history.



1976 Division II Playoffs | Semifinal

Knute Rockne Bowl; First OT Game in NCAA Playoffs

- ◆ Akron 29, Northern Michigan 26 (OT)
- ◆ December 4, 1976
- ◆ Rubber Bowl | Akron, Ohio



Northern Mich.	10	0	6	8	-	3	-	26
Akron	7	7	0	9	-	6	-	29

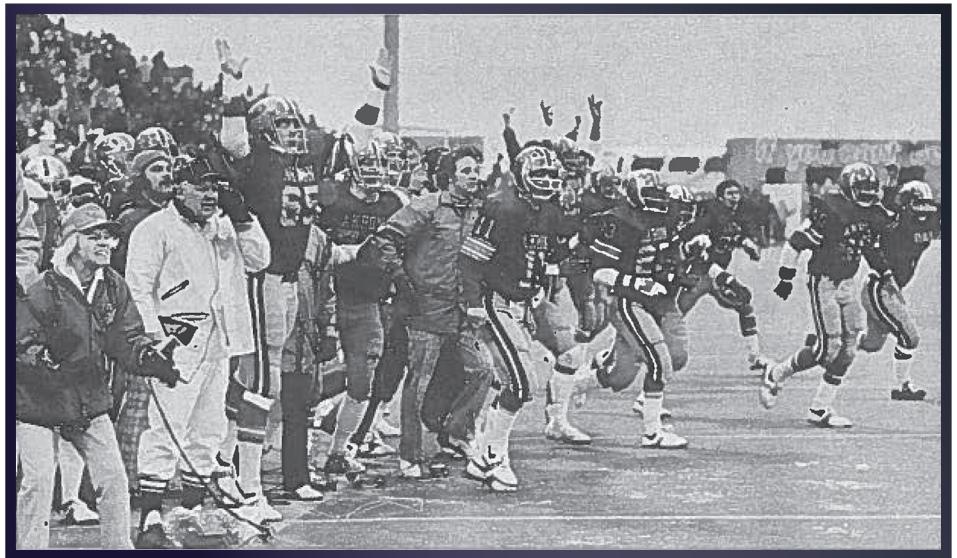
Scoring Summary

NMU - Awrey 1-yard run (Harves kick)
 NMU - Harves 31-yard field goal
 UA - Axner 56-yard run (Embick kick)
 UA - Axner 6-yard run (Embick kick)
 NMU - Awrey 4-yard run (pass failed)
 UA - Axner 3-yard run (run failed)
 NMU - Brown 1-yard fumble recovery (Harves kick)
 UA - Embick 35-yard field goal
 NMU - Harves 39-yard field goal
 UA - Bezbatchenko 1-yard run

Team Stats	NMU	UA
First Downs	21	16
Rushes/Yards	51-97	60-271
Passes	16-27-2	2-6-2
Passing Yards	251	60

UA Individual Stat Leaders:

Dave Axner, 15 rushes, 122 yards, 3 TD's
 Greg Thurman, 10 rushes, 54 yards
 Mark Hovanec, 15 rushes, 48 yards



AKRON, Ohio- History between the Zips and Wildcats added another chapter during the semi-final round of the 1976 NCAA Division II Playoffs- named the Knute Rockne Bowl as the teams played in the first overtime game in the history of NCAA football playoffs.

Riding a six-game winning streak against NMU in series history, the Zips were down by 10 points before the Akron rushing machine began to roll. With 2:48 remaining in the first quarter, junior halfback Dave Axner took a Marty Bezbatchenko hand off on the right side and sprinted 56 yards to the end zone.

Akron took the lead in the closing minutes of the half when Axner hit paydirt again for six yards to help the Zips to a 14-10 lead entering the locker room.

NMU scored on its first drive of the second half but missed a two-point conversion.

In the fourth quarter, Axner scored his third TD of the day on a 3-yard run. The Zips, too, missed on a two-point try, leaving them with a 20-16 lead. NMU reclaimed the lead after a QB fumble on the Akron 1-yard line, and OL Roy Brown recovered for the score.

Down by three points with 3:29 left on the clock, UA had one final shot. Starting on their own 29-yard line, the Zips drove the ball to the NMU 18-yard line where kicker Jim Embick split the uprights with :01 left to tie the contest at 23-23 and send it into overtime.

With each team trading a series from the opponent's 15-yard line, the Zips won the toss and elected to defend. They pushed the Wildcats back to the 23-yard line where they hit a field goal. The UA offense then took over and ran three rushing plays to move the ball to the 1-yard line where Bezbatchenko went over the goal line on a quarterback keeper to seal the victory.





1976 Division II Playoffs | Final

Pioneer Bowl; National Championship Game

- ♦ Montana State 24, Akron 13
- ♦ December 11, 1976
- ♦ Memorial Stadium | Wichita Falls, Texas



Division II

Akron	0	0	7	6	-	13
Montana State	0	14	3	7	-	24

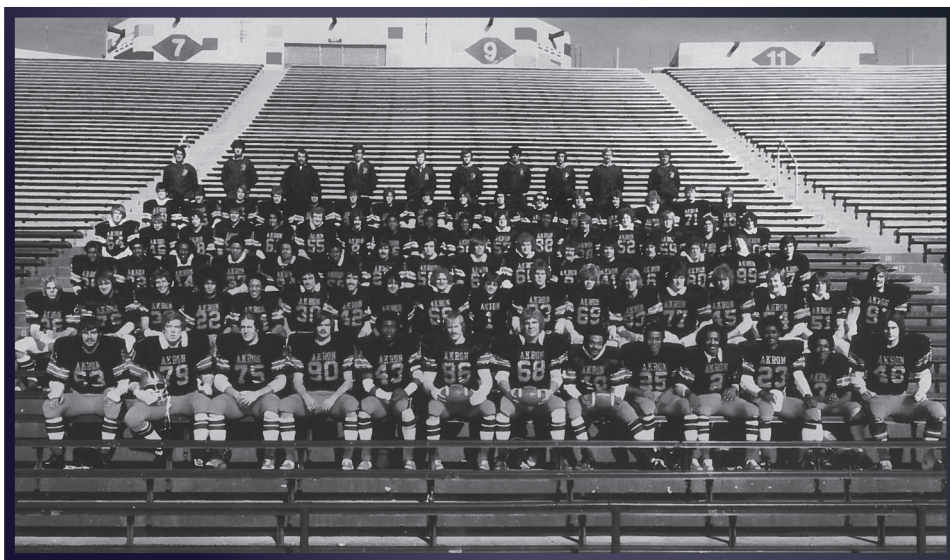
Scoring Summary

- MSU - McCullough 5-yard pass from Dennehy (Muri kick)
- MSU - Damberger 3-yard pass from Ueland (Muri kick)
- MSU - Muri 21-yard field goal
- UA - Axner 3-yard run (Embick kick)
- UA - Evans 22-yard pass from Bezbatchenko (kick failed)
- MSU - Kosterba 7-yard run (Muri kick)

Team Stats	UA	MSU
First Downs	14	19
Rushes/Yards	44-179	67-266
Passes	7-19-2	7-10-2
Passing Yards	91	50

UA Individual Stat Leaders:

- Greg Thurman, 10 rushes, 44 yards
- Dave Axner, 11 rushes, 42 yards, 1 TD
- Glenn Evans, 4 receptions, 60 yards, 1 TD



WICHITA FALLS, Texas— It was windy and bitter cold in Wichita Falls when the Zips met No. 1 Montana State for the NCAA Division II National Championship.

The day was made for the ground game and ball control offenses, and the opponents did not disappoint.

UA entered the contest averaging 251.2 yards per game rushing, while MSU ranked first in the nation with 287.5 yards per game on the ground.

The teams played through a scoreless tie through the first quarter and most of the second. MSU finally broke the ice with a 5-yard TD pass to cap a 51-yard drive with 5:47 remaining in the half. The Bobcats scored again with :27 left to take a 14-0 lead at intermission. Montana State controlled the ball for 19:09 in the first half and had 12 first downs compared to 10:51 and two first downs for UA.

The Bobcats added a field goal in the third quarter to take a 17-0 lead before Akron took advantage of a MSU mistake. Charles Parnell recovered a Bobcats fumble at the MSU 30-yard line. Akron got on the board five plays later when Dave Axner ran in from 3 yards out with 1:33 left in the third.

UA caught another break early in the fourth quarter when senior Louis Formen intercepted a MSU pass and set the Zips up at the Bobcats 25-yard line. Quarterback Marty Bezbatchenko finished the three-play drive with a 22-yard touchdown pass to Glenn Evans.

The Montana State defense, however, took matters into its own hands by shutting the Zips down, while the offense added one more touchdown for the final 24-13 score.

While the Zips fell 11 points shy of a National Championship, the 1976 team provided countless exciting memories for Akron fans for years to come.



1985 Division I-AA Playoffs | First Round

Zips' First Division I Playoff Game



- ◆ Rhode Island 35, Akron 27
- ◆ November 30, 1985
- ◆ Meade Stadium | Kingston, R.I.

Akron	0	7	14	6	-	27
Rhode Island	0	14	14	7	-	35

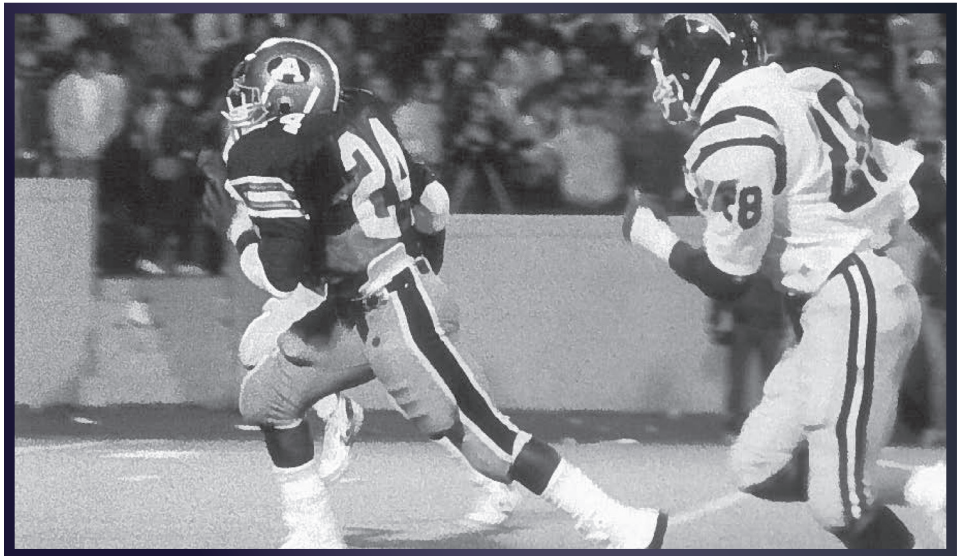
Scoring Summary

- RIU - DiMaggio 3-yd pass from Ehrhardt (Griffin kick)
- UA - Tyler 77-yd return of blocked FG (Klaus kick)
- RIU - Donfield 21-yd pass from Ehrhardt (Griffin kick)
- RIU - DiMaggio 4-yd pass from Ehrhardt (Griffin kick)
- UA - Rafac 16-yd interception return (Klaus kick)
- UA - Clark 1-yd run (Klaus kick)
- RIU - DiMaggio 3-yd pass from Ehrhardt (Griffin kick)
- UA - Green 1-yd run (kick blocked)
- RIU - DiMaggio 7-yd pass from Ehrhardt (Griffin kick)

Team Stats	UA	URI
First Downs	20	31
Rushes/Yards	55-228	12-53
Passes	10-22-3	43-70-2
Passing Yards	115	472

UA Individual Stat Leaders:

Mike Clark, 13 rushes, 172 yards, 1 TD
Willie Davis, 6 receptions, 79 yards
Brian Moran, 13 tackles



KINGSTON, R.I.- With a come-from-behind 17-14 victory over Austin Peay to finish the regular season at 8-3, Akron headed to battle the Rhode Island Rams in round one of the NCAA I-AA playoffs, marking the Zips' first playoff showing since the move to Division I.

The Zips' powerful running attack had a few question marks entering the game. Junior tailback Mike Clark, who averaged 148 yards per game through the first seven contests, had been hampered by a sprained ankle and totaled only 115 yards in the last three games. Although Akron fell to the Rams, 35-27, Clark came through in style, churning out 172 yards and a touchdown.

After a scoreless first quarter, Rhode Island got on the board with a three-yard touchdown pass and extra point to take a 7-0 lead. After the Rams drove to the UA 17-yard line on their next possession, the Akron special teams took over. A Rams' field goal

attempt was blocked by freshman Gary Tyler and returned 77 yards for a touchdown. Rhode Island scored again to hold a 14-7 edge at halftime.

URI jumped out to a 14-point lead midway through the third quarter. Akron mounted another comeback as defensive lineman Steve Rafac intercepted a Tom Ehrhardt pass and returned it 16 yards for a touchdown.

The next Akron score came when Clark capped off a 55-yard drive with a 1-yard over the middle leap into the endzone. Clark rushed for all 55 yards of the three-play drive, including a gallop of 53 yards.

The two teams traded scores once again with tailback Anthony Green hitting paydirt for the Zips early in the fourth quarter. The extra point attempt was blocked, however, leaving the Rams with a 29-27 lead and the eventual victory.





2005 Mid-American Conference Championship

First Conference Championship

Attendance 12,051
Kickoff Time 7:45 p.m.
End of Game 11:16 p.m.
Total Elapsed Time 3:31
Officials: Referee- Bill Alge; Umpire- William Zurcher; Linesman- Brian Matthews; Line Judge- Steve Barnes; Back Judge- Larry Orrico; Field Judge- Mike Conlin; Side Judge- Bill Simmons
Temperature: 72 **Wind:** None
Weather: Indoors

Head coaches

Akron J.D. Brookhart
 Northern Illinois Joe Novak

Team Stats

	UA	NIU
First Downs	27	19
Rushes- Net Yards	32-105	52-250
Net Yards Passing	413	110
Pass Comp-Attempts-Int	30-52-1	7-17-0
Total Offense (Plays-Yds)	84-518	69-360
Fumble returns-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Kickoff returns-Yds-TD	3-75-0	6-124-0
Interception returns-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-0-0
Punts (Number-Avg.)	5-38.0	5-46.6
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	8-70	3-10
Possession Time	26:56	33:04
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 14	6 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-3	4-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-27	2-16

Rushing: Akron- Biggs 20-70, Hixon 1-20, Kennedy 3-8, Getsy 8-7; NIU- Wolfe 42-270, Davis 4-10, Team 1-(-1), Nicholson 5-(-29).

Passing: Akron- Getsy 30-50-1-413-1; Team 0-1-0-0-0; Biggs 0-1-0-0-0. NIU- Nicholson 7-17-0-110-1.

Receiving: Akron- Hixon 8-144, Kasperek 6-81, Montgomery 6-69, Biggs 4-53, Long 3-20, Arthur 2-26, Kennedy 1-20. NIU- Davis 2-41, Hurd 2-26, Nordin 2-22, Raleigh 1-21.

Interceptions: Akron- none. NIU- Brown 1-0.

Tackles (UA-A): Akron- Rohr 5-4, Mackey 5-4, Stokes 5-3, Brown 5-2, Reid 4-2, Dixon 2-4, Tate 3-2, Anderson 2-2, White 2-2, Grant 1-3, Corner 1-3, Gonzalez 1-3, Heny 2-1, Nedd 0-3, five with 1 each. NIU- Ray Smith 4-7, Adriel Hansbro 8-2, Blalark 4-5, Brown 4-4, Alvah Hansbro 3-4, Utschig 4-2, Hutton 0-6, Deon Smith 3-1, Holman 1-3, McCarthy 0-4, Rusch 1-2, English 1-2, Holycross 1-1, eight with 1 each.

- ◆ Akron 31, Northern Illinois 30
- ◆ December 1, 2005
- ◆ Ford Field | Detroit, Mich.

Akron	10	0	0	21	-	31
Northern Illinois	0	10	14	6	-	30



DETROIT (AP) -- The Akron Zips won the first conference title in school history and berth in the Motor City Bowl -- and hope they earned some national attention.

Luke Getsy threw a 36-yard touchdown pass to Domenik Hixon with 10 seconds left to give Akron a 31-30 victory over Northern Illinois on Thursday night in the Mid-American Conference championship game at Ford Field.

"This is a huge moment, not just for our football program, but for our athletic department and our university," Zips coach J.D. Brookhart said. "This was the best three-hour advertisement you could ask for, because we are still in the building phase of this program."

The Zips (7-5) overcame a national conference championship-game record 270 yards and two touchdowns by Huskies tailback Garrett Wolfe.

"In the fourth quarter, if I could have broken one more tackle or made one more move, maybe we

could have gotten the first down we needed," he said. "We lost the game, so it doesn't matter how many yards I had."

Akron's winning drive started on its own 19 with 1:41 left and no timeouts. The Zips drove into Northern Illinois (7-5) territory and Hixon beat Adriel Hansbro down the middle of the field and grabbed Getsy's pass deep in the end zone.

"We were two yards short of the first down that would have ended the game," Northern Illinois coach Joe Novak said. "We couldn't make the play when we needed one, and they did."

The Zips had never won a football title in any conference, dating to their joining the Ohio Athletic Conference in 1915.

Wolfe had 42 carries and easily broke the previous MAC title-game record of 188 yards, set by Toledo's Chester Taylor in 2001, and the 2-year-old national record of 235 yards, set by Kansas State's Darren Sproles.



Akron took a 3-0 lead on their first possession on Jason Swiger's 47-yard field goal, the longest in MAC title-game history until Nendick's kick three quarters later.

The teams then traded short rushing touchdowns, as Kennedy put Akron up 10-0 with a 3-yard run. Wolfe made it 10-7 with a 1-yard dive.

Swiger narrowly missed a 46-yard field goal attempt. Nendick tied the game at 10 with a 21-yarder.

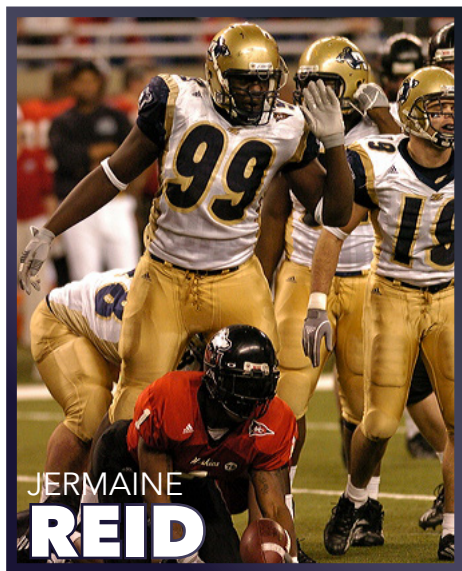
The score was tied at 10 at halftime.

Wolfe raced 62 yards to the Zips 20 midway through the third, then scored his second touchdown on a 12-yard burst.

After a fumble, the Huskies made it 24-10 when Dan Nicholson hit Sam Hurd at the goal line with a 19-yard scoring pass.

The Zips rallied and cut the margin to 24-17 on a 3-yard run by Brett Biggs with 13:53 remaining.

Chris Nendick pushed Northern Illinois' lead back to 10 points with a championship game-record 52-yard field goal. But Getsy countered with a 7-yard draw for a touchdown that pulled the Zips within three, 27-24.



Nendick's third field goal, a 46-yarder, made it a six-point game with 3:28 to go.

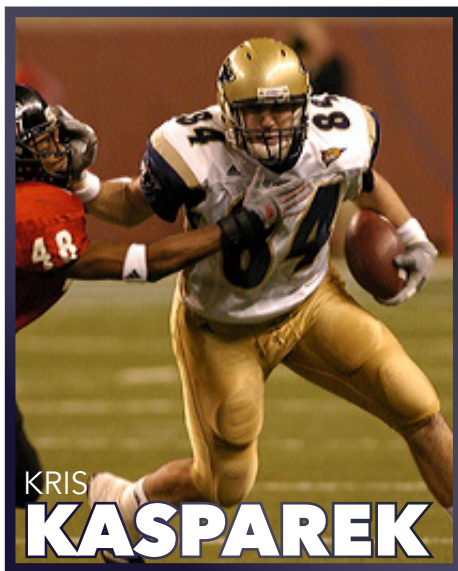
Akron drove to the Northern Illinois 33, before Getsy's pass bounced off the hands of Dennis Kennedy and was intercepted by linebacker Phil Brown.

Northern Illinois went three-and-out, forcing Akron to use all three timeouts, but the Zips got possession and Getsy drove for the winning score.

"It was an unbelievable finish," Brookhart said. "We found a way to go 80 yards."

Getsy was 30-of-50 for 413 yards, and Hixon had eight catches for 144 yards.

The game was as wild as the teams' first meeting, which Akron won 48-42 in overtime on Sept. 24.



Zips Notes

- First Mid-American Conference East Division title
- First MAC Championship game appearance
- First MAC Championship game victory
- Since starting to play football in 1891, Akron had never won a conference title (at any level).
- The appearance in the MAC championship game was the first for both Akron and Northern Illinois.
- The MAC had not had a match-up of first time participants since the first league title game in 1997.

Scoring Summary

		V-H
1st		
11:54	UA- Jason Swiger 47-yd field goal, 8-32, 1:57	3-0
2:55	UA- Dennis Kennedy 3-yd run (Swiger kick), 6-61, 1:47	10-0
2nd		
11:14	NIU- Garrett Wolfe 1-yd run (Chris Nendick kick), 8-67, 3:28	10-7
2:21	NIU- Nendick 21-yd field goal, 9-67, 4:24	10-10
3rd		
5:03	NIU- Garrett 11-yd run (Nendick kick), 5-81, 2:46	10-17
1:43	NIU- Sam Hurd 19-yd pass from Dan Nicholson (Nendick kick), 6-32, 3:06	10-24
4th		
13:53	UA- Brett Biggs 3-yd run (Swiger kick), 11-80, 2:50	17-24
10:49	NIU- Nendick 52-yd field goal, 8-55, 2:59	17-27
7:35	UA- Luke Getsy 7-yd run (Swiger kick), 10-76, 3:08	24-27
3:28	NIU- Nendick 46-yd field goal, 9-42, 3:58	24-30
0:10	UA- Domenik Hixon 36-yd pass from Getsy (Swiger kick), 9-81, 1:31	31-30





2005 Motor City Bowl

Akron's First Division I-A [FBS] Bowl

Attendance 50,616
Kickoff Time 4:00 p.m.
End of Game 7:47 p.m.
Total Elapsed Time 3:57

Officials: Referee- Jack Folliard; Umpire- Dennis Angel; Linesman- James Rinne; Line Judge- Blake Lozo; Back Judge- Mike Aaronian; Field Judge- Mike Mothershed; Side Judge- Bernard Samuels

Temperature: 72 **Wind:** None
Weather: Indoors

Head coaches

Memphis Tommy West
 Akron J.D. Brookhart

Team Stats	UM	UA
First Downs	21	24
Rushes- Net Yards	58-346	23-47
Net Yards Passing	170	455
Pass Comp-Attempts-Int	7-14-0	34-59-0
Total Offense (Plays-Yds)	72-516	82-502
Fumble returns-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Kickoff returns-Yds-TD	3-97-0	2-39-0
Interception returns-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Punts (Number-Avg.)	5-45.6	8-40.5
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	7-62	10-61
Possession Time	29:48	30:12
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 14	8 of 18
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	0 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	6-6	4-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-22	0-0

Rushing: Memphis- D. Williams 31-238, Doss 9-56, Avery 13-38, E. Williams 3-18, Team 2-(-4). Akron- Biggs 14-46, Kennedy 3-13, McDaniel 1-5, Getsy 5-(-17).

Passing: Memphis- Avery 7-13-0-170-0, Scott 0-1-0-0-0. Akron- Getsy 34-59-0-455-4.

Receiving: Memphis- Scott 3-103, E. Williams 1-42, Doucette 1-28, McCoty 1-(-2), D. Williams 1-(-2). Akron- Arthur 8-180, Hixon 7-63, Kasperek 6-70, Montgomery 6-55, Biggs 4-79, Kennedy 2-6, McDaniel 1-2.

Interceptions: Memphis- none . Akron- none.

Tackles (UA-A): Memphis- Goodwell 4-8, Collins 7-2, B. McDonald 6-3, R. Smith 4-3, Grant 2-5, Baker 1-5, Rufus 2-3, Snyder 2-2, West 0-4, W. Smith 1-2, Patterson 1-2, Washington 0-3, Spurlock 2-0, McCraney 1-1, C. McDonald 0-1. Akron- Mackey 9-2, Grant 5-5, Stokes 5-3, Reid 4-4, Rohr 3-5, Dixon 6-1, Tate 5-1, Corner 5-1, Gonzalez 3-1, Henry 1-2, White 1-2, Swiger 1-1, Cecchetti 0-2, Groza 0-2, five players with one each.

- ◆ **Memphis 38, Akron 31**
- ◆ **December 26, 2005**
- ◆ **Ford Field | Detroit, Mich.**

Memphis	0	13	7	18	-	38
Akron	3	0	7	21	-	31



DETROIT (AP) - DeAngelo Williams lived up to the hype.

Williams set an NCAA record with his 34th 100-yard rushing game and scored three touchdowns, leading Memphis to a 38-31 victory over Akron in the Motor City Bowl.

Williams ran for 233 yards on 30 carries and finished his career with 6,021 yards rushing - trailing only Ron Dayne, Ricky Williams and Tony Dorsett in Division I-A history - and an NCAA-record 7,568 all-purpose yards.

The Tigers (7-5) took a 21-point lead with 3:09 left, but needed to recover an onside kick with 55 seconds left to seal the win after Luke Getsy threw his fourth touchdown pass to cut the lead to seven points.

Akron (7-6) made a good showing in its first Division I-A bowl game after scoring 21 fourth-quarter points to beat Northern Illinois in the Mid-American Conference championship game.

Getsy was 34-for-59 for a Motor City Bowl-record 455 yards, and tied Chad Pennington's mark for passing touchdowns in the bowl's nine-year history. Jabari Arthur broke Randy Moss's bowl record with 180 yards receiving, scoring twice on eight receptions.

The Tigers led by 10 at halftime after scoring on three straight drives, then pulled away in the second half with three TDs and a field goal in four drives before nearly collapsing in the final minutes.

It was a wild finish - with 46 points scored in the final 15:46 - after Akron led 3-0 midway through the first quarter. The teams combined for 1,018 yards of offense.

Williams broke the 100-yard mark in the third quarter when he ran up the middle and bounced to the outside on an 18-yard carry.

After Getsy threw a 72-yard TD pass to Brett Biggs early in the fourth quarter to cut Akron's deficit to 23-17, Williams showed his speed and power.



He burst through a small hole in the middle of the line and sprinted for a 67-yard gain to set up his 2-yard, linemen-dragging TD for his third score, tying the bowl record.

Williams, who finished seventh in voting for the Heisman, was taken out of the game midway through the fourth quarter while Memphis was driving for its 38-17 lead.

He finished four rushing yards short of the Motor City Bowl record set by Northwestern's Jason Wright against Bowling Green in 2003.

A crowd of 50,616 attended the game in Ford Field, where the Super Bowl was played in 2006.

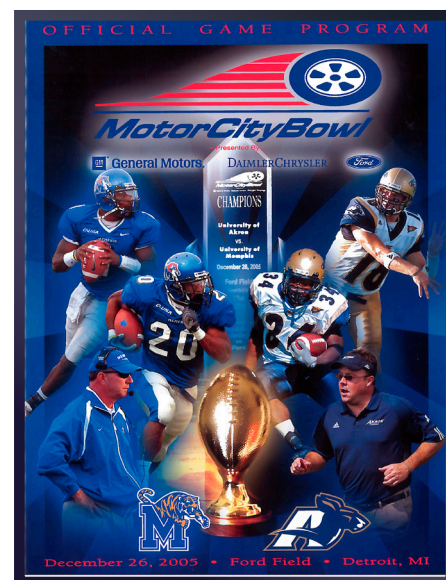
Zips Notes

- First Division I-A bowl game appearance in school history
- The Zips became just the second team (Toledo) in the history of the Motor City Bowl to sell its allotment of 10,000 tickets. An estimated 15,000 Zips' fans were in attendance at Ford Field on Dec. 26.



Scoring Summary

		V-H	4th
1st			12:04
0:40	UA - Jason Swiger 43-yd field goal, 10-31, 3:45	0-3	UM - Gostkowski 50-yard field goal, 6-33, 1:49 23-10
2nd			11:03
7:02	UM - S. Gostkowski 32-yard field goal, 9-82, 3:42	3-3	UA - Brett Biggs 72-yard pass from Getsy (Swiger kick), 3-80, 1:01 23-17
4:08	UM - DeAng Williams 1-yd run (Gostkowski kick), 4-52, 1:14	10-3	10:41
0:18	UM - Gostkowski 25-yard field goal, 9-63, 2:12	13-3	UM - Williams 2-yard run (Avery rush), 2-69, 0:22 31-17
3rd			3:09
3:02	UM - Williams 2-yard run (Gostkowski kick), 9-75, 4:47	20-3	UM - Williams, E. 5-yard run (Gostkowski kick), 12-78, 6:38 38-17
0:46	UA - Arthur 46-yard pass from Luke Getsy (Swiger kick), 7-80, 2:16	20-10	1:46
			0:55
			UA - Jabari Arthur 19-yard pass from Getsy (Swiger kick), 6-51, 0:50 38-31





2015 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl

Akron's First Division I-A [FBS] Bowl Victory

Attendance 18,876
Kickoff Time 1:30 p.m.
End of Game 5:00 p.m.
Total Elapsed Time 3:30
Officials: Referee- Charles Lewis; Umpire- Chad Walker; Linesman- Greg Lefils; Line Judge- Pete Taso; Back Judge- Matt Hollifield; Field Judge- J. Middlebrooks; Side Judge- Scott Solomon
Temperature: 37 **Wind:** 6 WNW
Weather: Cloudy

Head coaches

Akron Terry Bowden
 Utah State Matt Wells

Team Stats

	UA	USU
First Downs	17	22
Rushes- Net Yards	42-100	29-131
Net Yards Passing	182	237
Pass Comp-Attempts-Int	15-30-1	28-45-1
Total Offense (Plays-Yds)	72-282	74-368
Fumble returns-Yds-TD	1-56-0	0-0-0
Kickoff returns-Yds-TD	2-35-0	4-107-0
Interception returns-Yds-TD	1-0-0	1-4-0
Punts (Number-Avg.)	8-44.2	6-44.5
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	5-2
Penalties-Yards	5-34	8-60
Possession Time	34:07	25:53
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 16	5 of 13
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 1	0 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-4	3-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	5-32	1-9

Rushing: Akron- Woodson 16-47, Hundley 14-28, Alexander 9-23, Grice 3-2. Utah State- Mays 12-124, Myers 9-8, Hunt 4-7, Keeton 3-(-1), Nelson 1-(-7).

Passing: Akron- Woodson 14-29-1-168-0, Goodman 1-1-0-14-1. Utah State- Keeton 14-25-1-114-1, Myers 14-20-0-123-2.

Receiving: Akron- Pratt 9-94, Lane 4-32, Coney 1-42, Woodson 1-14. Utah State- Sharp 11-89, Houston 4-41, Swindall 3-35, Roberts 3-26, Rodriguez 3-14, Hunt 3-6, Raymond 1-22, Keeton 0-5.

Interceptions: Akron- Givens 1-0. Utah State- Davis 1-4.

Tackles (UA-A): Akron- Guiser 7-2, Evans 7-1, J. Brown 5-3, Givens 6-0, Scott 4-1, Monroe 3-2, Marcus 2-2, George 3-0, Coe 3-0, Hope 1-1, Grice 1-1, Pittman 0-2, nine players with one each. Utah State- Filiaga 6-2, Moala 5-3, Fackrell 4-2, Davis 4-1, Evans 4-1, Evans 3-2, Hines 4-0, Floyd 4-0, Nielsen 3-1, Centers 3-1, Vigil 3-1, Green 3-0, Ali'ifua 1-1, Hayes 1-1, seven players with one each.

- ♦ Akron 23, Utah State 21
- ♦ December 22, 2015
- ♦ Albertsons Stadium | Boise, Idaho

Akron	7	6	7	3	-	23
Utah State	0	7	7	7	-	21



BOISE, Idaho- The Akron Zips claimed their first FBS bowl win in school history with a 23-21 defeat of Utah State at Albertsons Stadium on Tuesday afternoon before a crowd of 18,876.

Finishing on a five-game winning streak, Akron improved to 8-5 overall, the most wins in a season since moving into FBS play in 1987.

Senior PK Robert Stein was named the bowl's Most Valuable Player. He finished with 11 points on the day (three field goals and two extra points) en route to becoming Akron's career scoring leader.

Sophomore QB Thomas Woodson went 14-of-29 for 168 yards and was the Zips' leading rusher with 47 yards on 16 carries. He also had a 14-yard TD reception.

In the air, senior WR Andrew Pratt led Akron with a career-high nine receptions for 94 yards.

Defensively, sophomore S Zach Guiser had nine tackles, while senior LB Dylan Evans and Jatavis Brown had eight tackles each.

On the opening drive, the Zips' defense showed its strength as senior NT Cody Grice and junior DE Se'Von Pittman sacked QB Chuckie Keeton for a loss of eight, forcing the Aggies to punt.

Akron scored on its next possession, driving 56 yards to the endzone. The Zips used a trick play as junior WR Tyrell Goodman passed the ball 14 yards to Woodson for the score. Stein tacked on the extra point, giving Akron a 7-0 lead with 10:38 to go in the first quarter.

In the second quarter, both teams threw a pick. Woodson was first, followed by Keeton five plays later as senior CB Kris Givens recorded his second interception of the season, stopping an Aggies' scoring drive on the six.

Givens struck again on the next defensive drive. He broke up a pass in the endzone on third-and-eight. On fourth down, the Aggies lined up for a fake field goal and turned the ball over on downs after a rush for a loss of seven yards.



With 2:53 remaining in the first half, Stein nailed a 33-yard field goal to give the Zips 10-0 advantage.

Following the kickoff, Utah State took three plays to drive the field, including a career long 61-yard run by Devante Mays, to score a nine-yard touchdown from Myers to Brandon Swindall.

On their next drive, the Aggies made back-to-back first downs to the 32. Akron's Brown forced a fumble, recovered by senior Rodney Coe who ran it back 56 yards to the 12 with four seconds on the clock. Stein then converted a 29-yard field goal, giving the Zips a 13-7 lead at intermission.

On the opening drive of the third quarter, Utah State took its first lead, 14-13, following a seven-play 64-yard drive that ended with a 19-yard touchdown pass from Myers to Hunter Sharp.

Akron rebounded with an eight-play, 40-yard drive that gave the Zips a 20-14 lead following a two-yard touchdown run by senior RB Donnell Alexander.

Stein added a 46-yard field goal in the fourth quarter, giving UA a 23-14 lead, while becoming Akron's career scoring leader.



With 1:12 remaining in the game, Utah State scored its final touchdown on a two-yard pass. The Zips ran the clock down to six seconds. Utah State's final attempt of the game was incomplete, sealing the Zips' victory.

Zips Notes

- Captains: Seniors #1 LB Jatavis Brown, #4 RB Conor Hundley, and #36 NT Cody Grice
- The win was Akron's first-ever bowl victory as an FBS team and its eighth victory of the 2015 season.
- The win, the Zips' fifth consecutive win this fall, was a school record eighth win (most in a season) since moving up to FBS (since 1987).

Scoring Summary

1st

10:38 UA - Thomas Woodson 14-yd pass from Tyrell Goodman (Robert Stein kick), 3-56, 0:52 7-0

2nd

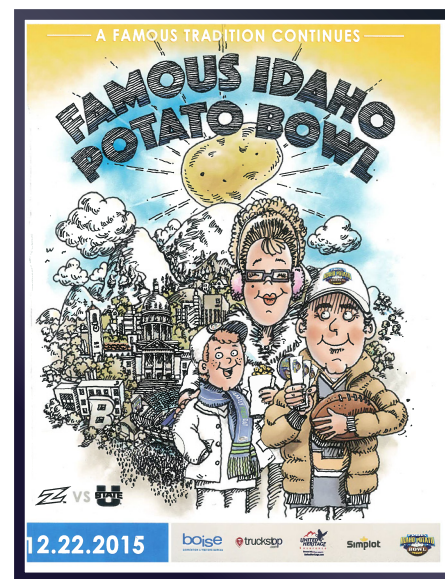
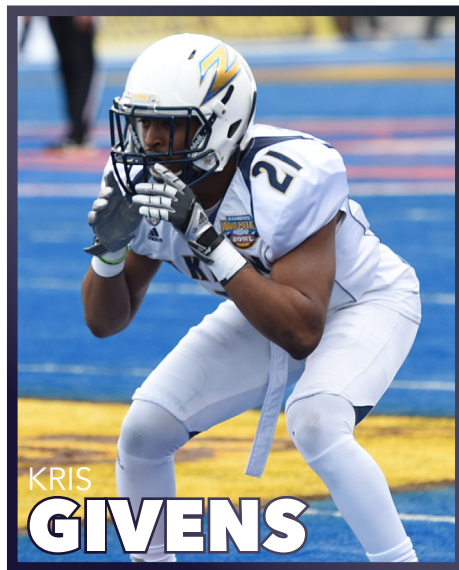
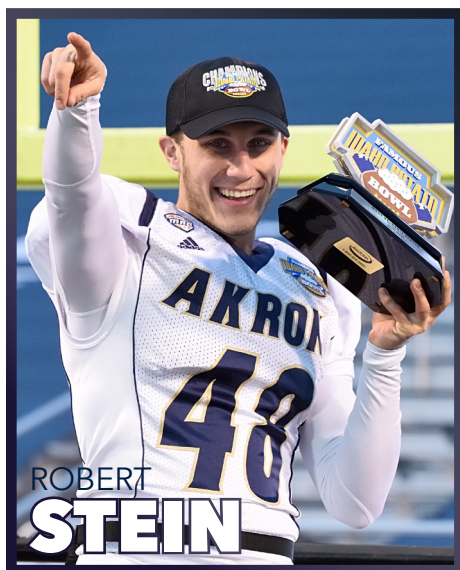
2:53 UA - Stein 33-yard field goal, 12-59, 5:34 10-0
1:32 USU - Brandon Swindall 9-yd pass from Kent Myers (Brock Warren kick), 3-71, 1:21 10-7
0:00 UA - Stein 29-yd field goal, 1-0, 0:04 13-7

3rd

12:41 USU - Hunter Sharp 19-yd pass from Myers (Warren kick), 7-64, 2:19 13-14
5:43 UA - Donnell Alexander 2-yd run (Stein kick), 8-40, 4:00 20-14

4th

8:15 UA - Stein 46-yard field goal, 14-56, 6:38 23-14
1:12 USU - Swindall 2-yd pass from Chuckie Keeton (Warren kick), 10-64, 1:30 23-21





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AKRON BOWL SUPERLATIVES

First Downs

Total
Rushing
Passing
Penalty

Highs

24 vs. Memphis (2005)
6 vs. Utah State (2015)
18 vs. Memphis (2005)
3 vs. Memphis (2005)

Lows

17 vs. Utah State (2015)
3 vs. Memphis (2005)
9 vs. Utah State (2015)
2 vs. Utah State (2015)

Rushing

Attempts
Net Yards
Yards per Carry
Touchdowns

42 vs. Utah State (2015)
120 vs. Utah State (2015)
2.4 vs. Utah State (2015)
1 vs. Utah State (2015)

23 vs. Memphis (2005)
71 vs. Memphis (2005)
2.0 vs. Memphis (2005)
0 vs. Memphis (2005)

Passing

Attempts
Completions
Completions Pct.
Yards
Interceptions
Touchdowns

59 vs. Memphis (2005)
34 vs. Memphis (2005)
.576 vs. Memphis (2005)
455 vs. Memphis (2005)
0 vs. Memphis (2005)
4 vs. Memphis (2005)

30 vs. Utah State (2015)
15 vs. Utah State (2015)
.500 vs. Utah State (2015)
182 vs. Utah State (2015)
1 vs. Utah State (2015)
1 vs. Utah State (2015)

Total Offense

Plays
Net Yards
Avg./Play

82 vs. Memphis (2005)
502 vs. Memphis (2005)
6.1 vs. Memphis (2005)

72 vs. Utah State (2015)
368 vs. Utah State (2015)
3.9 vs. Utah State (2015)

Punt Returns

Number
Yards

0
0

0
0

Kickoff Returns

Number
Yards

2 vs. Memphis (2005)
39 vs. Memphis (2005)

2 vs. Utah State (2015)
35 vs. Utah State (2015)

Interception Returns

Number
Yards

1 vs. Utah State (2015)
0 vs. Utah State (2015)

0 vs. Memphis (2005)
0 vs. Memphis (2005)

Punts

Number
Yards
Average

8 vs. Utah State (2015)
354 vs. Utah State (2015)
44.2 vs. Utah State (2015)

8 vs. Memphis (2005)
324 vs. Memphis (2005)
40.5 vs. Memphis (2005)

Penalties

Number
Yards

10 vs. Memphis (2005)
61 vs. Memphis (2005)

5 vs. Utah State (2015)
34 vs. Utah State (2015)

Fumbles

Number
Lost

0
0

0
0

Scoring

Points
PAT Attempts
PAT Conversions
Two-Point Conv. Att.
Two-Point Conv. Made
FG Attempts
FG Made
Touchdowns

31 vs. Memphis (2005)
4 vs. Memphis (2005)
4 vs. Memphis (2005)
0
0
3 vs. Utah State (2015)
3 vs. Utah State (2015)
4 vs. Memphis (2005)

23 vs. Utah State (2015)
2 vs. Utah State (2015)
2 vs. Utah State (2015)
0
0
1 vs. Memphis (2005)
1 vs. Memphis (2005)
2 vs. Utah State (2015)

Miscellaneous

Time of Possession
3rd Down Conv. Pct.
4th Down Conv. Pct.
Sacks By

34:07 vs. Utah State (2015)
.444 (8-of-18) vs. Memphis (2005)
.000 (0-of-1) vs. Utah State (2015), Memphis (2005)
5 (32 yds) vs. Utah State (2015)

30:12 vs. Memphis (2005)
.400 (5-of-16) vs. Utah State (2015)
0 (0 yds) vs. Memphis (2005)

Longest TD Drive (Yards)
Longest Drive (Yards)
Longest Drive (Plays)
Longest Drive (Time)

80 yards (3 plays, and 1:01, TD) vs. Memphis (2005)
80 yards (3 plays, and 1:01, TD) vs. Memphis (2005)
14 plays (56 yds and 6:32, FG) vs. Utah State (2015)
6:38 (14 plays, 56 yds, FG) vs. Utah State (2015)



OPPONENT BOWL SUPERLATIVES

First Downs

Total
Rushing
Passing
Penalty

Highs

22 by Utah State (2015)
14 by Memphis (2005)
13 by Utah State (2015)
3 by Memphis (2005)

Lows

21 by Memphis (2005)
7 by Utah State (2015)
4 by Memphis (2005)
2 by Utah State (2015)

Rushing

Attempts
Net Yards
Yards per Carry
Touchdowns

58 by Memphis (2005)
346 by Memphis (2005)
6.0 by Memphis (2005)
4 by Memphis (2005)

29 by Utah State (2015)
131 by Utah State (2015)
4.5 by Utah State (2015)
0 by Utah State (2015)

Passing

Attempts
Completions
Completions Pct.
Yards
Interceptions
Touchdowns

45 by Utah State (2015)
28 by Utah State (2015)
.622 (28-of-45) by Utah State (2015)
237 by Utah State (2015)
1 by Utah State (2015)
3 by Utah State (2015)

13 by Memphis (2005)
7 by Memphis (2005)
.500 (7-of-14) by Memphis (2005)
170 by Memphis (2005)
0 by Memphis (2005)
0 by Memphis (2005)

Total Offense

Plays
Net Yards
Avg./Play

74 by Utah State (2015)
516 by Memphis (2005)
7.2 by Memphis (2005)

72 by Memphis (2005)
368 by Utah State (2015)
5.0 by Utah State (2015)

Punt Returns

Number
Yards

5 by Memphis (2005)
39 by Memphis (2005)

3 by Utah State (2015)
31 by Utah State (2015)

Kickoff Returns

Number
Yards

4 by Utah State (2015)
107 by Utah State (2015)

3 by Memphis (2005)
97 by Memphis (2005)

Interception Returns

Number
Yards

1 by Utah State (2015)
4 by Utah State (2015)

0 by Memphis (2005)
0 by Memphis (2005)

Punts

Number
Yards
Average

6 by Utah State (2015)
267 by Utah State (2015)
45.6 by Memphis (2005)

5 by Memphis (2005)
228 by Memphis (2005)
44.5 by Utah State (2015)

Penalties

Lows
Number
Yards

8 by Utah State (2015)
62 by Memphis (2005)

7 by Memphis (2005)
60 by Utah State (2015)

Fumbles

Number
Lost

5 by Utah State (2015)
2 by Utah State (2015)

1 by Memphis (2005)
1 by Memphis (2005)

Scoring

Points
PAT Attempts
PAT Conversions
Two-Point Conv. Att.
Two-Point Conv. Made
FG Attempts
FG Made
Touchdowns

38 by Memphis (2005)
3 by Utah State (2015)
3 by Memphis (2005)
3 by Utah State (2015)
3 by Memphis (2005)
1 by Memphis (2005)
1 by Memphis (2005)
3 by Memphis (2005)
3 by Memphis (2005)
4 by Memphis (2005)

21 by Utah State (2015)
-
-
-
-
0 by Utah State (2015)
0 by Utah State (2015)
0 by Utah State (2015)
0 by Utah State (2015)
3 by Utah State (2015)

Miscellaneous

Time of Possession
3rd Down Conv. Pct.
4th Down Conv. Pct.
Sacks By

29:48 by Memphis (2005)
.428 (6-of-14) by Memphis (2005)
.000 (0-of-2) by Utah State (2015)
3 (22 yds) by Memphis (2005)

25:53 by Utah State (2015)
.385 (5-of-13) by Utah State (2015)
.000 (0-of-0) by Memphis (2005)
1 (9 yds) by Utah State (2015)

Longest TD Drive (Yards)
Longest Drive (Yards)
Longest Drive (Plays)
Longest Drive (Time)

78 yds (12 plays, 6:38, TD) by Memphis (2005)
82 yds (9 plays, 3:42, FG) by Memphis (2005)
12 plays (78 yds, 6:38, TD) by Memphis (2005)
6:38 (12 plays, 78 yds, TD) by Memphis (2005)





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PLAYER BOWL SUPERLATIVES

Rushing

Attempts
Net Yards
Touchdowns
Long Run

Akron

16, Thomas Woodson vs. Utah State (2015)
47, Thomas Woodson vs. Utah State (2015)
1, Donnell Alexander vs. Utah State (2015)
14, Thomas Woodson vs. Utah State (2015)

Opponent

31, DeAngelo Williams, Memphis (2005)
238, DeAngelo Williams, Memphis (2005)
3, DeAngelo Williams, Memphis (2005)
61, Devante Mays, Utah State (2015)

Passing

Attempts
Completions

59, Luke Getsy vs. Memphis (2005)
34, Luke Getsy vs. Memphis (2005)

.576, Luke Getsy vs. Memphis (2005)
455, Luke Getsy vs. Memphis (2005)
1, Thomas Woodson vs. Utah State (2015)
4, Luke Getsy vs. Memphis (2005)
72, Luke Getsy vs. Memphis (2005)

25, Chuckie Keeton, Utah State (2015)
14, Chuckie Keeton, Utah State (2015)
14, Kent Myers, Utah State (2015)
.700, Kent Myers, Utah State (2015)
170, Maurice Avery, Memphis (2005)
1, Chuckie Keeton, Utah State (2015)
2, Kent Myers, Utah State (2015)
50, Maurice Avery, Memphis (2005)

Completions Pct.
Yards
Interceptions
Touchdowns
Longest Pass

Receptions

Receptions
Yards
Touchdowns
Long Play

9, Andrew Pratt vs. Utah State (2015)
180, Jabari Arthur vs. Memphis (2005)
2, Jabari Arthur vs. Memphis (2005)
72, Brett Biggs vs. Memphis (2005)

11, Hunter Sharp, Utah State (2015)
103, Ryan Scott, Memphis (2005)
2, Brandon Swindall, Utah State (2015)
50, Ryan Scott, Memphis (2005)

Total Offense

Plays
Net Yards

64, Luke Getsy vs. Memphis (2005)
438, Luke Getsy vs. Memphis (2005)

29, Kent Myers, Utah State (2015)
208, Maurice Avery, Memphis (2005)



PLAYER BOWL SUPERLATIVES

Punt Returns

	Akron	Opponent
Number	0	5, Brandon McDonald, Memphis (2005)
Yards	0	39, Brandon McDonald, Memphis (2005)
Longest Return	0	20, Hunter Sharp, Utah State (2015)

Kickoff Returns

Number	2, Domenik Hixon vs. Memphis (2005)	3, Joseph Doss, Memphis (2005)
Yards	39, Domenik Hixon vs. Memphis (2005)	97, Joseph Doss, Memphis (2005)
Longest Return	22, Domenik Hixon vs. Memphis (2005)	35, Joseph Doss, Memphis (2005)

Interception Returns

Number	1, Kris Givens vs. Utah State (2015)	1, Jalen Davis, Utah State (2015)
Yards	0, Kris Givens vs. Utah State (2015)	4, Jalen Davis, Utah State (2015)
Longest Return	0, Kris Givens vs. Utah State (2015)	4, Jalen Davis, Utah State (2015)

Kickoffs

Number	5, Robert Stein vs. Utah State (2015)	8, Stephen Gostkowski, Memphis (2005)
Yards	293, Robert Stein vs. Utah State (2015)	511, Stephen Gostkowski, Memphis (2005)
Average	58.6, Robert Stein vs. Utah State (2015)	63.9, Stephen Gostkowski, Memphis (2005)

Punts

Opponent		
Number	8, Billy Sullivan vs. Memphis (2005) 8, Zach Paul vs. Utah State (2015)	6, Aaron Dalton, Utah State (2015)
Yards	354, Zach Paul vs. Utah State (2015)	267, Aaron Dalton, Utah State (2015)
Average	44.2, Zach Paul vs. Utah State (2015)	47.8, Michael Gibson, Memphis (2005)
Longest Punt	57, Zach Paul vs. Utah State (2015)	69, Aaron Dalton, Utah State (2015)

Scoring

Points	12, Jabari Arthur vs. Memphis (2005)	18, DeAngelo Williams, Memphis (2005)
Points by Kicking	9, Robert Stein vs. Utah State (2015)	9, Stephen Gostkowski, Memphis (2005)
Touchdowns	2, Jabari Arthur vs. Memphis (2015)	3, DeAngelo Williams, Memphis (2005)
PAT Attempts	4, Jason Swiger vs. Memphis (2005)	3, Stephen Gostkowski, Memphis (2005)
		3, Brock Warren, Utah State (2015)
PAT Conversions	4, Jason Swiger vs. Memphis (2005)	3, Stephen Gostkowski, Memphis (2005)
		3, Brock Warren, Utah State (2015)
Two-Point Conv. Att.	0	1, Maurice Avery, Memphis (2005)
Two-Point Conv. Made	0	1, Maurice Avery, Memphis (2005)
FG Attempts	3, Robert Stein vs. Utah State (2015)	3, Stephen Gostkowski, Memphis (2005)
FG Made	3, Robert Stein vs. Utah State (2015)	3, Stephen Gostkowski, Memphis (2005)
Longest FG Made	46, Robert Stein vs. Utah State (2015)	50, Stephen Gostkowski, Memphis (2005)





PLAYER BOWL SUPERLATIVES

Defense

Defense	Akron	Opponent
Tackles	11, John Mackey vs. Memphis (2005)	12, Tim Goodwell, Memphis (2005)
Solo Tackles	9, John Mackey vs. Memphis (2005)	7, O.C. Collins, Memphis (2005)
Assisted Tackles	5, Kevin Grant vs. Memphis (2005) 5, Jay Rohr vs. Memphis (2005)	8, Tim Goodwell, Memphis (2005)
Tackles for Loss	3, John Mackey vs. Memphis (2005)	3.5, Tim Goodwell, Memphis (2005)
Sacks	1.5, Jatavis Brown vs. Utah State (2015) 1.5, Cody Grice vs. Utah State (2015)	1.5, Tim Goodwell, Memphis (2005)
Passes Broken Up	1, Davanzo Tate vs. Memphis (2005) 1, Reggie Corner vs. Memphis (2005) 1, Brian White vs. Memphis (2005) 1, Kris Givens vs. Utah State (2015) 1, DeAndre Scott vs. Utah State (2015) 1, Jamal Marcus vs. Utah State (2015) 1, Bryce Cheek vs. Utah State (2015)	2, Brandon McDonald, Memphis (2005)
Fumbles Caused	1, Jermaine Reid vs. Memphis (2005)	-
Fumbles Recovered	1, John Mackey vs. Memphis (2005) 1, Rodney Coe vs. Utah State (2015) 1, John Senter vs. Utah State (2015)	
Interceptions	1, Kris Givens vs. Utah State (2015)	
Interception Yards	0, Kris Givens vs. Utah State (2015)	
Blocked Kicks	-	-
Quarterback Hurries	-	-