



# AUSTIN PEAY FOOTBALL

## 2023 UNITED ATHLETIC CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS

1977, 2019, 2022, & 2023 CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS | 2019 NCAA FCS PLAYOFF QUARTERFINALISTS

### GAME 1 ■ AT LOUISVILLE

11 AM (CT) ■ AUGUST 31, 2024  
L&N FEDERAL CREDIT UNION STADIUM  
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

### SETTING THE MARKERS



#### AUSTIN PEAY GOVERNORS

##### 2023 RECORD

9-3 ■ 6-0 UAC

##### NATIONAL POLLS

(RV) Stats Perform FCS  
(RV) AFCA FCS

##### HEAD COACH

Jeff Faris

Duke (2011)

0-0 ■ 1st season at APSU

0-0 ■ 1st career season



#### LOUISVILLE CARDINALS

##### 2023 RECORD

10-4 ■ 7-1 ACC

##### NATIONAL POLLS

(RV) Associated Press  
(RV) Coaches' Poll

##### HEAD COACH

Jeff Brohm

Louisville (1994)

10-4 ■ 2nd season at UL

76-48 ■ 11th career season

### INSIDE THE SERIES

**The Series:** First-ever meeting

**Last Meeting:** N/A

**Notably:** Jeff Faris is making his head coaching debut as APSU's 22nd head coach... The Govs are 0-2 all-time against the ACC... APSU is 1-30 all-time against the FBS... APSU has won three-straight games against teams from Kentucky... APSU is 24-88 all-time in games played in Kentucky.

### WHAT A GOVS WIN WOULD MEAN

Jeff Faris' first win as a head coach and first win at APSU... The first win by a team in the UAC against an FBS opponent... APSU's 10th-straight regular-season win... APSU's second win against an FBS program, and the first since 1987... APSU's fifth-straight win against a first-time opponent.

### BROADCAST INFORMATION

**WATCH: ACCN** | Jorge Sedano (PxP), Orlando Franklin (Analyst), & Morgan Uber (Sideline)

**RADIO: Govs Sports Network** | Brian Rives (PxP) & Van Stokes (Analyst)  
(ESPN Clarksville 104.1 FM/TuneIn App)

### AT THE KICKOFF

#### REPEATY CHAMPS

For the first time in program history, Austin Peay won back-to-back conference championships with the 2023 United Athletic Conference and the 2022 ASUN Conference titles. When you add in the 2019 Ohio Valley Conference championship, the Govs have won three titles – in three conferences – since 2019.

#### THE TIMES THEY ARE A-CHANGIN'

Dating back to 2017, Austin Peay's 50 victories are the 10th most in the FCS and the seventh-most among current FCS programs. The Govs' 50 wins are the most among UAC members since 2017, with Central Arkansas (47) and Eastern Kentucky (40) in second and third, respectively. The Governors' 50 victories in the past seven seasons are the most in any seven-year stretch in program history and are just one less than the 51 victories they had in 19 seasons from 1998-2016. The Govs also have five winning seasons since 2017 after posting just eight winning seasons in their first 39 years in the FCS (1978-2016).

#### MEET THE GOVS

With just 35 returning letterwinners and 11 players that redshirted a season ago, Austin Peay has 55 newcomers on its 2024 roster. The 55 newcomers are made up of 21 true freshmen and 34 transfers, including nine players that have been at the Power 5 level. APSU's 34 transfers are made up of 21 transfers from FBS programs, seven from FCS programs, and six from Division II programs.

#### THE OLD GUYS

Preseason All-UAC selections Chandler Kirton and Hosea Knifeley Jr. are Austin Peay's two returning starters from the 2023 season. Kirton, who was named a 2024 Stats Perform FCS Preseason Third Team All-America selection, has started every game for the Governors over the past two seasons with 22 starts at right guard and one start at center. Hosea Knifeley Jr. has 12 career starts and started 10 games during the 2023 season when he led the Govs with four sacks. Harrison Wilkes, who started 11 games in 2022 and 15 games in his career, opened the 2023 season as APSU's starter at left guard before a Week 2 injury forced him to miss the remainder of the season.

#### FARIS ERA, YEAR I

A Knoxville, Tennessee native, Jeff Faris was named Austin Peay's 22nd head football coach in December 2023. In his first season at the helm of the Governors football program, Faris looks join Dave Aaron (5-4, 1946), James "Boots" Donnelly (8-3, 1977), Watson Brown (7-4, 1979), Rick Christophel (7-4, 2007), Mark Hudspeth (11-4, 2019), and Scotty Walden (4-2, 2020-21) as the seventh head coach in program history to post a winning record in their first season. A winning season for the Govs would mark the third-straight Austin Peay head coach to have a winning record in their debut season.

### GOVS BY THE NUMBERS

2	Two Governors call the Commonwealth of Kentucky home, with both Hosea Knifeley Jr. and La'Vell Wright hailing from Louisville. Knifeley Jr. attended Butler High School, and Wright attended North Hardin High School.
8	Eight Governors' head coaches have won their Austin Peay debut. Jeff Faris has a chance to become the ninth Govs head coach to win in their debut and the first since Mark Hudspeth beat North Carolina Central in 2019.
28	Austin Peay is 28-57-2 all-time in season-opening games. The Governors are looking to win their first season opener since the 2021 season when they beat #18 Chattanooga, 30-20, at Finley Stadium in Chattanooga.
1987	Austin Peay picked up its first and only win against an FBS program – in just its second-ever game against an FBS team – when it beat Kansas State, 26-22, on Sept. 5, 1987, at KSU Stadium in Manhattan, Kansas.

### 2024 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION/ATTEND.	TIME/RESULT
8/31	at Louisville	L&N Stadium	11 a.m.
9/7	<b>Southern Illinois</b>	<b>Fortera Stadium</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
9/14	at Central Arkansas ◇	Estes Stadium	6 p.m.
9/21	<b>Alabama A&amp;M</b>	<b>Fortera Stadium</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
9/28	<b>Southern Utah</b> ◇	<b>Fortera Stadium</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
10/5	at West Georgia ◇	University Stadium	1 p.m.
10/19	at Utah Tech ◇	Greater Zion Stadium	3 p.m.
10/26	<b>Tarleton State</b> ◇	<b>Fortera Stadium</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>
11/2	at North Alabama ◇	Braly Stadium	4 p.m.
11/9	<b>Abilene Christian</b> ◇	<b>Fortera Stadium</b>	<b>3 p.m.</b>
11/16	<b>Eastern Kentucky</b> ◇	<b>Fortera Stadium</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
11/23	<b>Chattanooga</b>	<b>Fortera Stadium</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>

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## MEDIA INFORMATION



### UNIVERSITY

Name of School.....Austin Peay State University  
 Location ..... Clarksville, TN 37040  
 Founded ..... 1927  
 Enrollment ..... 9,824  
 President..... Dr. Michael Licari  
 Alma Mater, Year ..... Minnesota, 1993  
 Vice President/AD ..... Gerald Harrison  
 Alma Mater, Year ..... Tennessee, 2001  
 Deputy AD/SWA..... Niesha Campbell  
 Alma Mater, Year ..... Appalachian State, 2006  
 Deputy AD/Football..... Jordan Harmon  
 Alma Mater, Year ..... Austin Peay, 2017  
 School Colors..... Red and White  
 Nickname..... Governors  
 Affiliations ..... NCAA Division I  
 ..... United Athletic Conference (football only)  
 ..... ASUN Conference  
 Ticket Office Phone ..... 931/221-PEAY (7329)

### HISTORY

First Year of Football ..... 1930  
 All-time Record (86 seasons) ..... 325-562-16  
 Home..... 203-238-9  
 Away ..... 120-322-7  
 Neutral ..... 2-2  
 Last NCAA FCS Playoff appearance ..... 2023  
 Result..... First Round (0-1)  
 ..... lost to #18 Chattanooga, 21-24

### TEAM INFORMATION

Overall Record Last Year..... 9-3  
 Home | Away | Neutral..... 5-1 | 4-2 | 0-0  
 Conference Record (finish) ..... 6-0/1st  
 Home | Away ..... 3-0 | 3-0  
 Final ranking last year..... 18/12  
 Offensive starters returning/lost ..... 1/10  
 Defensive starters returning/lost..... 1/10  
 Specialists returning/lost ..... 0/6

### GOVERNORS SPORTS NETWORK

Radio Station..... ESPN Clarksville (104.1 FM)  
 Contact Person..... Ryan Plockelman  
 Phone Number ..... 931/648-7720  
 Play-by-Play Announcer..... Brian Rives  
 Analyst ..... Van Stokes

### THE STADIUM ON GAME DAY

- Press Will Call is located on the east side of Fortera Stadium and will open 90 minutes before kickoff.
- Austin Peay provides complimentary food and beverages to credentialed members of the media attending the game.
- Press Parking is located at the intersection of Henry and Bailey Streets on the Austin Peay campus, next to the east side of Fortera Stadium.

SCAN FOR  
GOVERNORS  
MEDIA CENTRAL



## AUSTIN PEAY ATHLETICS COMMUNICATIONS

### MEDIA INFORMATION

**CREDENTIALS & PARKING:** For games at Fortera Stadium, contact Casey Crigger at least 24 hours prior to the game to request a credential and parking pass.

**INTERVIEWS:** All interview requests should be submitted at least 24 hours in advance to the Austin Peay Athletics Communications Office.

- **HEAD COACH:** Head coach Jeff Faris will be available to the media each game week at noon, Tuesday via Zoom. Contact Casey Crigger to be invited to Coach Faris' weekly Zoom call.
- **STUDENT-ATHLETES:** All interviews with student-athletes will be scheduled to occur before or after practice to accommodate student-athletes' academic schedules. No interviews will be granted on the day of a game. Student-athletes should not be contacted directly by the media.

**POSTGAME INTERVIEWS:** Head coach Jeff Faris and requested student-athletes will be available via a Zoom postgame press conference following a cooling-off period. Media members should request student-athletes by contacting Casey Crigger via e-mail prior to the five-minute mark of the fourth quarter.

**ON THE WEB:** The 2024 Factbook, weekly game notes, statistics, and schedules may be found on the world wide web at [www.LetsGoPeay.com](http://www.LetsGoPeay.com), Austin Peay State University's official athletics website. It may be accessed by using the QR code on this page of this notes package or by visiting [LetsGoPeay.com/FBMedia](http://LetsGoPeay.com/FBMedia).

**POSTGAME:** Following each game, home and away, Austin Peay's athletics communications staff will provide notes from the game and quotes from the postgame press conference through its media portal above.

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## UNITED ATHLETIC CONFERENCE COMMUNICATIONS

**SOCIAL MEDIA:** Get breaking news about the United Athletic Conference by following the league on social media. Follow the UAC on Twitter and Instagram at @uacfootball and or visit the league's website at [www.uacfootball.com](http://www.uacfootball.com)

**WEEKLY NOTES:** The UAC will release its Players of the Week each Monday afternoon throughout the season. Statistics are updated after each gameday on the UAC website.

### STAFF DIRECTORY

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## NOTING THIS WEEK'S GAME

## CHECKING OUT THE CARDINALS

## PRESEASON OUTLOOK

After going 10-4 overall and 7-1 in the ACC during Jeff Brohm's first season, the Cardinals were tabbed to finish fifth in the league's 2024 preseason poll. Brohm led the Cardinals to the 2023 ACC Football Championship game, where they lost to Florida State, 16-6, before closing the season with a 42-28 loss to USC in the DIRECTV Holiday Bowl.

## OFFENSIVE OPTIONS

Chris Bell is UL's top returning wide receiver after recording 29 receptions for 407 yards and two touchdowns in 2023. Alabama transfer WR Ja'Corey Brooks was named to the Comeback Player of the Year Award Watch List after an injury limited him to just eight games for the Crimson Tide last season. Brooks totaled 39 catches for 674 yards and eight touchdowns during the 2022 season and has 57 career catches for 896 yards and 10 touchdowns. Finally, junior running back Donald Chaney is on the Doak Walker Award Watch List after rushing 62 times for 284 yards and a touchdown last season.

## DEFENSIVE DEFINITION

A Preseason All-ACC selection, defensive lineman Ashton Gillotte has been named to the Bednarik Award, Bronko Nagurski Trophy, Lombardi Award, Lott IMPACT Trophy, and Wuerffel Trophy Preseason Watch Lists. The 2023 All-ACC selection totaled 45 tackles, 14.5 tackles for loss, 11 sacks, three forced fumbles, and a fumble recovery last season. Gillotte earned Second Team All-America honors from USA Today, The Athletic, Sports Illustrated, and the Walter Camp Foundation last season.

## PLAYER TO WATCH

Quarterback Tyler Shough began his collegiate career at Oregon (2018-20) and Texas Tech (2021-23) before transferring to Louisville. In 30 career games, Shough has completed 355 passes for 4,625 yards and 36 TDs with a 63.2 completion percentage. This year, the 6-5, 225-pound QB has been named to the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award, Maxwell Award, and Comeback Player of the Year Award Watch Lists.

## LOOKING BACK



In Austin Peay's last trip to the Commonwealth of Kentucky, **Tre Shackelford (#4)** 🏈 caught a walk-off, 25-yard touchdown pass from Mike DiLiello to beat Eastern Kentucky, 33-30, in overtime. The Governors defense held the Colonels to a field goal on the first possession of overtime, setting up the Austin Peay's second overtime walk-off win of the 2023 season. DiLiello went 18-for-28 for 310 yards and four touchdowns, with Kam Thomas recording 10 receptions for 204 yards and two touchdowns. Thomas' 204 receiving yards were the fifth-best single-game total in APSU history and the eighth-best total in the FCS in 2023.

## STATS COMPARISON

Category	APSU	UL
Record	<b>9-3</b>	10-4
Conference	<b>6-0</b>	7-1
Total Offense	426.8	415.1
Rushing Offense	152.7	178.5
Passing Offense	274.1	236.6
Passing Efficiency	<b>162.17</b>	145.32
Scoring Offense	<b>34.1</b>	30.7
Total Defense	396.0	317.1
Rushing Defense	145.7	<b>99.8</b>
Passing Yards Allowed	250.3	217.3
Passing Efficiency Defense	121.64	128.16
Scoring Defense	24.4	21.3
Turnover Margin	.08	.07
3rd Down Conv. Pct	.356	.374
4th Down Conv. Pct	.565	.542
3rd Down Conv. Pct Defense	<b>.303</b>	.298
4th Down Conv. Pct Defense	.600	.440
Red Zone Offense	.897	.808
Red Zone Defense	.810	<b>.676</b>
Net Punting	38.39	37.60
Punt Returns	<b>21.27</b>	4.39
Kickoff Returns	21.04	20.21
Penalties Per Game	6.33	5.57
Penalty Yards Per Game	57.58	48.64
Time of Possession	28:55	32:13
Team Sacks	1.5	2.4
Team Tackles for Loss	5.0	6.1
Sacks Allowed	3.0	2.3
Tackles for Loss Allowed	6.9	5.3
Turnovers Gained	16	20
Passes Intercepted	11	13
Fumbles Recovered	5	7

**Boldface indicates league leader, blue indicates NCAA subdivision leader.**

## FIRST MEETING, NOTABLY

- For the second-straight season, Austin Peay takes on four opponents for the first time with Louisville, West Georgia, Tarleton State, and Abilene Christian on the schedule this season.
- Last year, the Govs went 4-0 against first-time opponents with wins against Stephen F. Austin, Lindenwood, Southern Utah, and Utah Tech.

## LAST TWO VS. THE ACC

YEAR	DATE	OPPONENT		SCORE
2012	S08	at Virginia Tech	L	7-42
2020	S12	at Pittsburgh	L	0-55

## VS. THE BLUEGRASS STATE

- Austin Peay is 77-154-1 (.334) all-time against teams from Kentucky with 20 wins against both Morehead State and Murray State.
- The Govs are 24-88 all-time in games played in Kentucky with eight wins at Morehead State and seven at Murray State.
- Austin Peay is on a three-game winning streak against teams from Kentucky after beating Murray State in 2022 and Eastern Kentucky in 2022 and 2023.

## LAST FIVE IN THE COMMONWEALTH

YEAR	DATE	OPPONENT		SCORE
2019	N16	at Murray St.	W	42-7
2021	S25	at Eastern Ky.	L	27-35
2021	O23	at Murray St.	W	47-6
2022	A27	at Western Ky.	L	27-38
2023	N04	at Eastern Ky.	W(OT)	33-30

## ON THIS DATE

## AUGUST 31

- Saturday's game will be the sixth time the Governors have played on Aug. 31; they are 0-5 all-time and 0-3 on the road on this date.
- Austin Peay dropped its last game on Aug. 31, falling to Cincinnati, 26-14, in the 2017 season opener at Nippert Stadium in Cincinnati, Ohio.

## LAST FIVE SEASON OPENERS

YEAR	DATE	OPPONENT		SCORE
2019	A29	NC Central	W	41-10
2020	A29	vs. Central Ark.	L	17-24
2021	S02	at #18 Chattanooga	W	30-20
2022	A27	at Western Ky.	L	27-38
2023	S02	at Southern Ill.	L	23-49






















## APSU HEAD COACHING DEBUTS

YEAR	COACH	OPPONENT		SCORE
2021	Walden	at Tenn. Tech	L	21-27
2020	Lovings	vs. Central Ark.	L	17-24
2019	Hudspeth	NC Central	W	41-10
2016	Healy	at Troy	L	17-57
2013	Cannon	at Tennessee	L	0-45
2007	Christophel	Bethel	W	43-19
2006	McCray	at UT Martin	L	20-21
1997	Schmitz	at Morehead St.	L	43-55
1991	Gregory	Western Ky.	W	18-14
1990	Palermo	UT Martin	L	10-24
1988	Brewster	Kentucky St.	W	20-14
1981	Hale	Kentucky St.	W	24-14
1979	Brown	at James Madison	W	10-6
1977	Donnelly	UT Martin	L	10-23
1973	Bushofsky	Henderson St.	L	7-17
1963	Dupes	at Eastern Ky.	L	0-14
1960	Van Tone	at Middle Tenn.	L	0-6
1958	Gartman	at Middle Tenn.	L	0-12
1955	Cooper	at East Tenn.	L	0-6
1946	Aaron	at Tenn. Wesleyan	L	0-6
1936	Brown	Cumberland	W	13-0
1930	Alden	Bells Independent	W	12-0



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## GOVS OFFENSIVE TWO-DEEP

QB		<b>#12 MASON GARCIA</b> 6-5, 244, R-SR, MYRTLE BEACH, SC -or-	Made 4 starts & played in 20 games at ECU (2020-23) Completed 48 passes for 408 yds & a TD in 2023 Rushed 50 times for 227 yds & 2 TDs in 2023	<b>CAREER HIGHS</b> CMP   12 vs. SMU, 2023* YDS   155 vs. SMU, 2023* TDs   1 vs. Marshall, 2023*
		<b>#4 AUSTIN SMITH</b> 6-3, 215, R-JR, JONESBORO, GA	Made 16 starts & played in 22 games at EMU (2021-23) Threw for 1,775 yds & 9 TDs w/ 2 rushing TDs in 2023 Completed 240 passes for 2,565 yds & 15 TDs at EMU	CMP   20 vs. Akron, 2023* YDS   231 vs. Western Michigan, 2023* TDs   2 vs Ball State, 2023*
RB		<b>#11 LA'VELL WRIGHT</b> 5-11, 206, GR, LOUISVILLE, KY -or-	 Played in 17 games in 3 seasons at Kentucky (2021-23) Rushed 48 times for 238 yds & 1 TD at UK First collegiate TD was a 43-yd TD run vs. Louisville (2021)	CAR   11 at Florida, 2022* YDS   75 vs. New Mexico State, 2021* TDs   1 at Louisville, 2021*
		<b>#0 O'SHAAN ALLISON</b> 5-9, 210, GR, NORRISTOWN, PA	 Played in 37 games in six seasons at Ohio (2018-23) Has 371 carries for 1,671 yds & 9 TDs in collegiate career Totalled 138 carries for 869 yds & 6 TDs in 2019	CAR   27 at Buffalo, 2019* YDS   175 at Bowling Green, 2019* TDs   3 at Bowling Green*
WR		<b>#10 JADEN BARNES</b> 5-8, 162, SO, FAIRBURN, GA	APSU's top returning WR w/ 17 receptions for 204 yds in 2023 First collegiate TD was a 33-yd catch vs. Gardner-Webb (2023) Had career-best 7 catches for 121 yds vs. ETSU (2023) 84-yd grab vs. ETSU (2023) was 2nd-longest by a Gov last year	REC   7 vs. ETSU, 2023 YDS   121 vs. ETSU, 2023 TDs   1 vs. Gardner-Webb, 2023
		<b>#5 BRAXTON HICKS</b> 6-0, 169, GR, TIGER, GA	 4 years at Georgia (2020-23) – 2021, 2022 CFP Natl. Champ. Played in 4 games in 4 seasons at UGA 183 receptions for 3,490 yds & 46 TDs in prep career	REC   YDS   TDs
WR		<b>#1 ROMON COPELAND JR.</b> 5-6, 153, GR, CHESAPEAKE, VA -or-	 Played in 31 games in 3 seasons at Hampton (2021-23) Totalled 71 receptions for 1,294 yds & 7 TDs at Hampton 2nd Team HBCU All-America by College FB Network in 2023	REC   7 vs. William & Mary, 2023* YDS   129 vs. North Alabama, 2021* TDs   1 vs. William & Mary, 2023*
		<b>#8 MALIK BOWEN-SIMS</b> 6-3, 202, GR, MT. JULIET, TN	 Played in 32 games in 4 seasons at Duke (2020-23) Totalled 13 receptions for 107 yds at Duke Recruited by and played for Jeff Faris in freshman year at Duke	REC   3 vs. Virginia Tech, 2020* YDS   36 vs. Virginia Tech, 2020* TDs
WR		<b>#17 JADE KNEELAND</b> 6-1, 186, FR, BARTLETT, TN -or-	Represented Bartlett HS at 2023 Nashville All-American Bowl 3rd Team All-Region 8-6A as a junior at Bartlett in 2022 Ran an 11.23 100M during prep career	REC   YDS   TDs
		<b>#7 KHATIB LYLES</b> 6-0, 215, GR, EL PASO, TX	 9 receptions for 74 yds & 2 TDs in 1st season at APSU in 2023 2 TD catches in 2023 leads returning APSU wide receivers Played four seasons at North Texas (2019-2022)	REC   2 at Southern Utah, 2023 YDS   50 vs. UTSA, 2021* TDs   1 vs. North Alabama, 2023
TE		<b>#21 ALEC PELL</b> 6-4, 244, GR, ENGLEWOOD, CO	 Began at Colorado (2019-20) & then Northern Colo. (2021-23) 37 receptions for 331 yds & 2 TDs in 22 games at UNC Had 26 receptions for 253 yds & a TD during 2022 season 2 tackles on special teams in 9 games at Colorado	REC   8 vs. Houston Christian, 2022* YDS   86 vs. Idaho State, 2022* TDs   1 at Abilene Christian, 2023*
		<b>#83 JASE SKOGLUND</b> 6-3, 239, FR, AUSTIN, TX	1st Team 25-6A All-District in 2022 & 2023 during prep career Totalled 40 catches for 673 yds & 7 TDs as high school senior Younger brother of junior APSU linebacker, Austin Skoglund	REC   YDS   TDs
LT		<b>#57 TY WILLIAMS</b> 6-4, 295, R-FR, GREENEVILLE, TN -or-	Played in 2 games as a freshman during 2023 season	
		<b>#63 DONOVAN HASLAM</b> 6-4, 332, R-SO, PERRY, GA Has 12 career appearances for APSU, all off the bench		
LG		<b>#74 MARCUS ALEXANDER</b> 6-3, 330, GR, SUNNYVALE, TX Began career at Oklahoma (2019-22) & Texas St. (2023) -or-		
		<b>#61 DAVINCI FLOYD</b> 6-2, 328, R-JR, COLLIERVILLE, TN 2 years at Coffeyville CC (2021-22) before transfer to AP		
C		<b>#52 CHANDLER KIRTTON</b> 6-0, 291, R-JR, ATLANTIC BEACH, FL '23 1st Team All-UAC, '24 Preseason 3rd Team All-America 23-straight starts on o-line w/ 22 at RG & 1 at center		
		<b>#69 MICHAEL TREADWELL</b> 6-0, 281, GR, KNOXVILLE, TN Played in 24 games over four seasons at APSU		
RT		<b>#55 CHINAZO OBOBI</b> 6-5, 313, R-JR, LONDON, ENGLAND Began career at Laney College (2022) & Marshall (2023) -or-		
		<b>#53 ETHAN GOODIN</b> 6-6, 258, FR, EVANSVILLE, IN 2023 Indiana Class 2A Senior All-State Team selection		
RG		<b>#71 HARRISON WILKES</b> 6-3, 272, R-JR, GERMANTOWN, TN 15 starts, w/ 13 at LG, in 25 career games at APSU -or-		
		<b>#68 NATE LEWIS</b> 6-2, 284, R-SO, HAZLEHURST, GA Spent two seasons at Georgia Southern (2022-23)		

\* - Career-high at previous four-year institution.  
Career highs only show the most recent occurrence.



- United Athletic Conference logo indicates  
Preseason All-Conference selection.





- Austin Peay Graduate Patch indicates student-athletes who have  
earned degrees from APSU or other four-year institutions.











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## GOVS DEFENSIVE TWO-DEEP

DE		<b>#34 KT OWENS</b> 6-3, 230, GR, OXFORD, MS -or-		12 tackles, 2.5 TFLs, & 2.0 sacks in 12 games at APSU in 2023 3 games before season-ending injury at APSU in 2022 Began career at Mississippi Delta CC (2021)	<b>CAREER HIGHS</b> TKL   3 vs. Gardner-Webb, 2023 TFL   1.0 at Eastern Kentucky, 2023 SKS   1.0 at Eastern Kentucky, 2023
		<b>#17 DAVION HOOD</b> 6-1, 228, R-JR, KENNESAW, GA		Began career at ETSU (2021-22) & Temple (2023) Has 46 tackles, 8.5 TFL, & 5.5 sacks in collegiate career Career-best 23 tackles, 4.0 TFL, 3.5 sacks, & FF in '22 at ETSU	TKL   6 at VMI, 2022* TFL   2.0 at Robert Morris, 2022* SKS   2.0 at Robert Morris, 2022*
NT		<b>#3 KINSTIN REAVES</b> 5-11, 272, R-SO, STATESVILLE, NC -or-		Stared at Eastern Illinois (2021) & UNC Pembroke (2022-23) 37 tackles, 7.5 TFL, 3.0 sacks, & 1 FF in 18 career games 6.0 TFLS & 2.0 sacks at UNC Pembroke in 2023	TKL   7 vs. Fairmont State, 2023* TFL   3.0 vs. Fairmont State, 2023* SKS   1.0 vs. Glenville State, 2023*
		<b>#98 JADEN MCKINNEY</b> 6-4, 283, SO, COLLIERVILLE, TN		Played in all 12 games as a true freshman at APSU in 2023 Totalled 8 tackles, 1.0 TFL, and a fumble recovery in 2023 Was 2nd-highest rated recruit in APSU history when he signed	TKL   3 at Lindenwood, 2023 TFL   1.0 vs. ETSU SKS
DT		<b>#2 ZA'HEIR BARNES-VAUGHN</b> 6-1, 237, R-JR, SOMERSET, NJ -or-		Began at Shaw Univ. (2021-22) & Notre Dame College (2023) 82 tack., 9.5 TFLs, 1.5 sacks, & 2 PBUs in 23 career games Career-best 54 tackles, 5.5 TFLs, & 1.5 sacks at Shaw in 2022	TKL   11 at Fayetteville State, 2022* TFL   1.5 at Fayetteville State, 2022* SCK   1.0 at Fayetteville State, 2022*
		<b>#93 MARQUEZ CASEY</b> 6-1, 259, GR, JACKSONVILLE, AR		Started at Central Arkansas (2019-22) & Campbell (2023) 57 tackles, 12.5 TFLs, & 4.0 sacks in 35 career games Had 36 tackles, 3.0 TFLs, & 1.0 sack in 2023 at Campbell	TKL   7 at Hampton, 2023* TFL   2.0 vs. Texas Wesleyan, 2021* SKS   1.0 at North Carolina A&T, 2023*
DE		<b>#10 HOSEA KNIFELEY JR.</b> 6-1, 237, GR, LOUISVILLE, KY -or-		2023 2nd Team All-UAC, 2024 Preseason All-UAC Led APSU & ranked 2nd in UAC w/ 4.0 sacks in 2023 Led APSU d-line w/ 52 tack in 2023, 2nd on team w/ 7.5 TFLs	TKL   12 at Southern Utah, 2023 TFL   1.5 at Southern Utah, 2023 SKS   2.0 at Lindenwood, 2023
		<b>#23 JAKARI PATTERSON</b> 6-2, 205, GR, CINCINNATI, OH		Began at Southern Illinois (2019-22) & Towson (2023) 65 tackles, 7.0 TFLs, 1.0 sack, & 1 FF in 28 career games 19 tackles, 4.0 TFLs, and 1.0 sack in 2023 at Towson	TKL   10 at Northern Iowa, 2021* TFL   1.0 at North Carolina A&T, 2021* SKS   1.0 at New Hampshire, 2023*
ML		<b>#44 DION HUNTER</b> 6-1, 236, GR, ALBUQUERQUE, NM -or-		Began at New Mexico (2020-22) & Cincinnati (2023) 125 tackles, 6.0 TFLs, & 3.0 sacks in 35 career games Career-best 69 tackles, 3.0 TFLs, & 2.0 sacks in 2022 at UNM	TKL   13 vs. Fresno State, 2022* TFL   1.5 at UNLV, 2022* SKS   1.0 at Utah State, 2022*
		<b>#43 GARRETT HAWKINS</b> 6-3, 227, SO, SEVIERVILLE, TN		15 tackles, 1.0 TFL in 12 games as freshman at APSU in 2023 5-yd fumble return for TD vs. ETSU (2023) Career-best 9 tackles at Lindenwood (2023)	TKL   9 at Lindenwood, 2023 TFL   1.0 vs. ETSU, 2023 SKS
WL		<b>#6 BO SPEARMAN</b> 6-0, 223, R-SR, IRONDALE, AL -or-		Played 4 seasons at Chattanooga (2020-23) 72 tackles, 3.5 TFLs, & 3 fumble recoveries in 34 games Career-best 48 tackles & 2.5 TFLs in 2023 at UTC	TKL   9 at Wofford, 2023* TFL   2.0 vs. Kennesaw State, 2023* SKS
		<b>#9 DAVION BLACKWELL</b> 6-1, 215, R-SR, COLUMBIA, SC		Played 4 seasons at Nevada (2020-23) 28 tackles & 1.5 TFLs in 18 games at Nevada 20 tackles & 1.0 TFL in 10 games during 2023 season	TKL   5 at USC, 2023* TFL   1.0 at Fresno State, 2023* SKS
ST		<b>#4 CINQUE WILLIAMS</b> 5-10, 187, SR, SOUTHLAKE, TX -or-		Began at North Texas (2021) & UTSA (2022-23) Played in 5 games at North Texas & 12 at UTSA Had a tackle vs. Texas Southern (2022) in 1st season at UTSA	TKL   1 vs. Texas Southern, 2022* TFL   INT
		<b>#15 CHASE ALLEN</b> 5-10, 187, JR, NASHVILLE, TN		Has played in 21 games in 2 seasons at APSU Totalled 2 tackles in 12 games during 2023 season Had 1 tackle in 9 games played as a true freshman in 2022	TKL   1 at Lindenwood, 2023 TFL   INT
CB		<b>#5 SAMMY ANDERSON</b> 6-0, 191, R-SR, DAYTON, OH		Played 4 seasons at Cincinnati (2020-23) 21 tackles, 3.5 TFLs, 1 FF, & 1 PBU in 20 games at UC Career-high 4 tackles vs. Louisville in 2022 Fenway Bowl Career-best 19 tack & 2.5 TFLs in 13 games in 2022	TKL   4 vs. Louisville, 2022* TFL   2.0 vs. South Florida, 2022* INT
		<b>#21 MIKE EVANS</b> 5-11, 190, R-SO, ST. PETERSBURG, FL		Has played in 10 games in two seasons at APSU Career-best 5 tackles & TFL vs. Southern Illinois (2023) Totalled 12 tackles & 1.0 TFL in 10 career games	TKL   5 at Southern Illinois, 2023 TFL   1.0 at Southern Illinois, 2023 INT
SS		<b>#20 JADEN LYLES</b> 5-11, 203, JR, HENDERSONVILLE, TN -or-		23 tackles in 20 games in 2 seasons at APSU Recorded 1st collegiate INT vs. Gardner-Webb (2023) Made 3 tackles in 1st career start at Tennessee (2023)	TKL   5 vs. ETSU, 2023 TFL   INT   1 vs. Gardner-Webb, 2023
		<b>#0 KEITH GALLMON JR.</b> 5-8, 208, GR, MOBILE, AL		Played in 48 games in 6 seasons at South Alabama (2018-23) 2020 PFF All-American w/ 84 tack, 1.0 TFL, 1 INT, & 10 PBUs Has 205 tackles, 5.5 TFLs, 3 INTs, 2 FF, & 16 PBUs in career	TKL   12 at Southern Miss, 2020* TFL   2.5 at Texas State, 2021* INT   1 at Bowling Green, 2021*
FS		<b>#7 DORIAN DAVIS</b> 5-11, 191, GR, SHELBY, NC		West. Carolina (2019-20), SIU ('21), & Towson ('22-23) transfer 2020 HERO Sports Fresh. All-America w/ 42 tack, FF, & 3 PBUs Career-best 73 tackles & 2 INTs at Towson in 2023 Has 146 tackles, 1 FF, 2 INTs, & 8 PBUs in 39 career games	TKS   13 at North Carolina A&T, 2023* TFL   INT   1 at Villanova, 2023*
		<b>#22 TREVOR HARDY</b> 5-11, 175, R-SO, ALABASTER, AL		Spent two seasons at Memphis (2022-23) Made collegiate debut vs. Iowa State in the 2023 Liberty Bowl Redshirted as a true freshman in 2022	TKL   TFL   INT
CB		<b>#1 JESSE JOHNSON III</b> 5-11, 168, R-SR, COLUMBUS, OH -or-		Began at Eastern Illinois (2020) & Tiffin (2021-23) Had career-best 28 tackles & 6 PBUs during 2023 season Totalled two interceptions in first season at Tiffin in 2021	TKL   6 vs. Kentucky Wesleyan, 2023* TFL   0.5 at Walsh, 2021* INT   1 vs. Truman State, 2021*
		<b>#29 ELLIS ELLIS JR.</b> 6-0, 184, R-SO, HENDERSONVILLE, TN		Had 11 tackles in 11 games as a redshirt freshman in 2023 One of 8 Govs w/ multiple special teams tackles this in 2023 Totalled 3 tackles in collegiate debut at Southern Illinois (2023)	TKL   3 at Southern Illinois, 2023 TFL   INT

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## GOVS SPECIAL TEAMS TWO-DEEP

PK		<b>#22 CARSON SMITH</b> 5-11, 174, R-JR, BELMONT, NC	Did not see action in three seasons at East Carolina (2021-23) Two-time Southwestern 2A Kicker of the Year in high school	<b>CAREER HIGHS</b> PAT   FGM   LONG
		<b>#27 TOMMY HOLDEN</b> 5-10, 170, SR, LITHIA, FL	Attended Miss. St. (2021-24) – did not participate in athletics A four-year varsity soccer player at Newsome High School	PAT   FGM   LONG
P		<b>#20 DOMINIK STADLMAN</b> 6-1, 174, R-SR, OVERLAND PARK, KS	Played in 40 games in four seasons at Pittsburg St. (2020-23) Averaging 37.9 yds per punt on 119 career attempts Has 34 kicks downed inside the 20-yd line & 13 50+ yd kicks Recorded his lone tackle at Missouri Western (2021)	ATT   8 at Ferris State, 2022* AVG   51.7 at Missouri Western, 2021* LONG   69 at Missouri Western, 2021*
		<b>#27 TOMMY HOLDEN</b> 5-10, 170, SR, LITHIA, FL	Attended Miss. St. (2021-24) – did not participate in athletics A four-year varsity soccer player at Newsome High School	ATT   YDS   LONG
KO		<b>#22 CARSON SMITH</b> 5-11, 174, R-JR, BELMONT, NC	Did not see action in three seasons at East Carolina (2021-23) Two-time Southwestern 2A Kicker of the Year in high school	ATT   AVG   TB
		<b>#27 TOMMY HOLDEN</b> 5-10, 170, SR, LITHIA, FL	Attended Miss. St. (2021-24) – did not participate in athletics A four-year varsity soccer player at Newsome High School	ATT   YDS   TB
KR		<b>#1 ROMON COPELAND JR.</b> 5-6, 153, GR, CHESAPEAKE, VA 	Played in 31 games in 3 seasons at Hampton (2021-23) Returned 32 kicks for 663 yards & 1 TD at Hampton Averaging 20.7 yds per return in collegiate career 96-yd kickoff return TD vs. NC A&T in 2023	ATT   4 at Elon, 2023 * YDS   116 vs. North Carolina A&T, 2023* LONG   96 vs. North Carolina A&T, 2023*
		<b>#26 COREY RICHARDSON</b> 5-7, 161, FR, FAYETTEVILLE, GA	Had 992 rushing yds & 1,791 all-purpose yds in prep career Had 13 kickoff returns for 447 yds & 3 TDs in at Whitewater HS	ATT   YDS   LONG
PR		<b>#1 ROMON COPELAND JR.</b> 5-6, 153, GR, CHESAPEAKE, VA 	Played in 31 games in 3 seasons at Hampton (2021-23) Has 11 punt returns for 59 yards in career Averaged 5.4 yds per return w/ a long of 28 yds at Hampton	ATT   2 at Richmond, 2023* YDS   28 vs. Tuskegee, 2022* LONG   28 vs. Tuskegee, 2022*
		<b>#10 JADEN BARNES</b> 5-8, 162, SO, FAIRBURN, GA	Had 3 punt returns for 52 yds & 17.3-yd average in 2023 Returned 2 punts for 26 yds in the FCS Playoffs vs. UCA (2023) Posted career-long 26-yd punt return vs. ETSU (2023)	ATT   2 vs. Central Arkansas, 2023 YDS   26 vs. Central Arkansas, 2023 LONG   26 vs. ETSU, 2023
LS		<b>#42 AUSTIN TURNER</b> 6-1, 251, R-JR, ELON, NC 3 years at Liberty (2021-23), played in 14 games in 2023 Made 1st college tackle vs. Oregon in 2024 Fiesta Bowl		<b>#20 DOMINIK STADLMAN</b> 6-1, 174, R-SR, OVERLAND PARK, KS
		<b>#43 GARRETT HAWKINS</b> 6-3, 227, SO, SEVIERVILLE, TN		<b>#6 DAVIN GARINGER</b> 6-1, 190, R-FR, CLARKSVILLE, TN

## WHAT THE GOVS ARE WEARING

### RECORD BY UNIFORM COMBO

Helmet/Jersey/Pants	2024	Faris Era	Streak	Last
Red/Red/Red			W4	North Alabama (10/28/23), W 49-39
Red/Red/White			W1	Tennessee State (2/28/21), W 27-20
Red/White/Red			L2	at Southern Illinois (9/2/23), L 23-49
Red/White/White			W3	at Stephen F. Austin (9/23/23), W 22-20
Red/Black/Red			W1	Murray State (10/15/22), W 52-17
Red/Gray/Gray			W1	Utah Tech (11/11/23), W 30-17
White/White/White			L2	at #9 Tennessee (9/9/23), L 13-30
White/White/Red			W1	at Southern Utah (9/21/23), W 48-45 OT2
White/White/Black			W1	at Lindenwood (9/30/23), W 52-10
White/Red/White			W1	ETSU (9/16/23), W 63-3
Black/Black/Black			W1	Central Arkansas (11/18/23), W 14-12
Black/Black/Red			W1	Eastern Illinois (11/6/21), W 42-26
Black/Red/Red			W1	#16 Eastern Kentucky (9/24/22), W 31-20
Black/Red/Black			L1	#18 Chattanooga (11/25/23), L 21-24
Black/White/White			L1	at #12 UT Martin (10/30/21), L 17-16
Black/White/Black			W3	at Eastern Kentucky (11/4/23), W 33-30 OT

### 2024 UNIFORM TRACKER

Game	Helmet	Jersey	Pants	Game	Helmet	Jersey	Pants
at UL				at UTU			
SIU				TSU			
at UCA				at UNA			
AAMU				ACU			
SUU				EKU			
at UWG				UTC			

### RECORD BY COLOR

Helmet	2024	Faris	Streak
Red			W3
White			W3
Black			L1
Jersey	2024	Faris	Streak
Red			L1
White			W4
Black			W1
Gray			W1
Pants	2024	Faris	Streak
Red			W2
White			W2
Black			L1
Gray			W1

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## 2023 STARTING LINEUPS

### OFFENSIVE LINE

LT	LG	C	RG	RT
56 Wright	71 Wilkes	55 Armstrong	52 Kirton	50 Smith
55 Armstrong	71 Wilkes	52 Kirton	68 Odom	50 Smith
56 Wright	68 Odom	55 Armstrong	52 Kirton	50 Smith
56 Wright	68 Odom	55 Armstrong	52 Kirton	50 Smith
56 Wright	68 Odom	55 Armstrong	52 Kirton	50 Smith
56 Wright	68 Odom	55 Armstrong	52 Kirton	50 Smith
56 Wright	68 Odom	55 Armstrong	52 Kirton	50 Smith
56 Wright	68 Odom	55 Armstrong	52 Kirton	50 Smith
56 Wright	68 Odom	55 Armstrong	52 Kirton	50 Smith
56 Wright	68 Odom	55 Armstrong	52 Kirton	50 Smith
56 Wright	68 Odom	55 Armstrong	52 Kirton	50 Smith

### BACKFIELD

QB	RB
12 DiLiello	22 Jackson
12 DiLiello	5 Evans Jr.
12 DiLiello	5 Evans Jr.
12 DiLiello	22 Jackson
12 DiLiello	22 Jackson
12 DiLiello	22 Jackson
12 DiLiello	22 Jackson
12 DiLiello	22 Jackson
12 DiLiello	22 Jackson
12 DiLiello	22 Jackson
12 DiLiello	22 Jackson

### RECEIVERS

WR	WR	WR	TE	WR/TE
1 Goodman	4 Shackelford	8 Thomas	--	13 Lyles
1 Goodman	4 Shackelford	8 Thomas	--	3 Odom
1 Goodman	4 Shackelford	8 Thomas	23 Goco	--
1 Goodman	4 Shackelford	8 Thomas	23 Goco	--
1 Goodman	4 Shackelford	8 Thomas	23 Goco	--
1 Goodman	4 Shackelford	8 Thomas	23 Goco	--
1 Goodman	4 Shackelford	2 Singleton	23 Goco	--
1 Goodman	4 Shackelford	8 Thomas	23 Goco	--
1 Goodman	4 Shackelford	8 Thomas	23 Goco	--
1 Goodman	4 Shackelford	8 Thomas	23 Goco	--
1 Goodman	4 Shackelford	3 Odom	23 Goco	--
1 Goodman	4 Shackelford	3 Odom	23 Goco	--

### DEFENSIVE LINE

DE	NG	DT	DE/BAN
SIU 9 Bates	28 Paul	3 Young	10 Knifeley Jr.
UT 9 Bates	28 Paul	3 Young	10 Knifeley Jr.
ETSU 9 Bates	28 Paul	3 Young	10 Knifeley Jr.
SFA 41 Richmond	46 McCray	3 Young	9 Bates
LU 41 Richmond	46 McCray	3 Young	9 Bates
GWU 41 Richmond	28 Paul	3 Young	10 Knifeley Jr.
SUU 41 Richmond	28 Paul	3 Young	10 Knifeley Jr.
UNA 41 Richmond	46 McCray	3 Young	10 Knifeley Jr.
EKU 9 Bates	46 McCray	3 Young	10 Knifeley Jr.
UTU 9 Bates	46 McCray	3 Young	10 Knifeley Jr.
UCA 9 Bates	46 McCray	3 Young	10 Knifeley Jr.
UTC 9 Bates	46 McCray	3 Young	10 Knifeley Jr.

### LINEBACKERS

LB	LB	SPUR	NB/LB
SIU 4 Howard	8 Long	6 Chapman	--
UT 4 Howard	8 Long	6 Chapman	--
ETSU 4 Howard	8 Long	6 Chapman	--
SFA 4 Howard	8 Long	6 Chapman	--
LU 4 Howard	8 Long	6 Chapman	--
GWU 4 Howard	8 Long	6 Chapman	--
SUU 4 Howard	8 Long	27 Smith	--
UNA 4 Howard	8 Long	6 Chapman	--
EKU 4 Howard	8 Long	6 Chapman	--
UTU 4 Howard	8 Long	6 Chapman	--
UCA 4 Howard	8 Long	6 Chapman	--
UTC 4 Howard	8 Long	6 Chapman	--

### SECONDARY

CB	FS	SS	CB
SIU 1 Doss	27 Smith	2 Ruttlen Jr.	13 McIver Jr.
UT 1 Doss	27 Smith	20 Lyles	13 McIver Jr.
ETSU 1 Doss	12 Ward	2 Ruttlen Jr.	13 McIver Jr.
SFA 1 Doss	27 Smith	2 Ruttlen Jr.	13 McIver Jr.
LU 1 Doss	0 Johnson	2 Ruttlen Jr.	13 McIver Jr.
GWU 1 Doss	0 Johnson	2 Ruttlen Jr.	13 McIver Jr.
SUU 1 Doss	0 Johnson	2 Ruttlen Jr.	13 McIver Jr.
UNA 1 Doss	27 Smith	2 Ruttlen Jr.	13 McIver Jr.
EKU 14 Lewis	27 Smith	2 Ruttlen Jr.	13 McIver Jr.
UTU 1 Doss	27 Smith	2 Ruttlen Jr.	13 McIver Jr.
UCA 1 Doss	27 Smith	2 Ruttlen Jr.	13 McIver Jr.
UTC 1 Doss	27 Smith	2 Ruttlen Jr.	13 McIver Jr.

(Season and game captains for each contest are shaded above)

## STARTING EXPERIENCE

Offense	21	22	23	24	TOT	STR
Jack Baker, TE	.	1	.	.	1	.
Chandler Kirton, OL	.	11	12	.	23	23
Khatib Lyles, WR	.	.	1	.	1	.
Harrison Wilkes, OL	2	11	2	.	15	.

Defense	21	22	23	24	TOT	STR
Hosea Knifeley Jr., LB	.	2	10	.	12	7
Christian Lewis, DB	.	.	1	.	1	.
Jaden Lyles, DB	.	.	1	.	1	.



## OFFENSIVE OUTPUT

## QB OPTIONS

Austin Peay added a pair of quarterbacks from the transfer portal, with Mason Garcia transferring from East Carolina and Austin Smith transferring from Eastern Michigan. Garcia played in 20 games over four seasons at ECU, completing 67-of-133 passes for 587 yards and two touchdowns while rushing for 347 yards and four touchdowns on 82 attempts. Smith played in 22 games over three seasons at EMU, completing 240-of-418 passes for 2,565 yards and 15 touchdowns while rushing 162 times for 389 yards and four touchdowns. Outside of Garcia and Smith, Jake Johnson is the only other Governors' quarterback with collegiate experience. Johnson played in one game for the Govs last season and completed his lone pass attempt for 12 yards.

## ROCKY MOUNTAIN TIGHT END

Graduate transfer tight end Alec Pell brings five years of Division I experience to Austin Peay after beginning his career at Colorado (2019-21) and then transferring to Northern Colorado (2022-23). A native of Englewood, Colorado, Pell played in five games in his first two seasons at Colorado but recorded no offensive statistics. In his next three seasons at Northern Colorado, Pell posted 37 receptions for 331 yards and two touchdowns in 22 games.

## CULTIVATING MASS

The 10 offensive linemen listed on Austin Peay's two-deep average 298.4 pounds across the offensive front this season. Donovan Haslam (332), Marcus Alexander (330), Davinci Floyd (328), and Chinazo Obobi (313) are the four Govs who weighed in at over 300 pounds on the offensive line. Michael Treadwell added 14 pounds to weigh in at 281 pounds this season, while Ty Williams added 10 pounds to weigh in at 295. Harrison Wilkes, who played in just three games last season due to injury, tacked on eight pounds in the offseason to come in at 272 pounds. Chandler Kirton, who moved from right guard to center this season, weighed in at 291 pounds this season, which is one pound heavier than last year. Finally, Nate Lewis weighed 284 pounds and true freshman Ethan Goodin was 258 pounds.

## PORTAL PASS CATCHERS

Austin Peay added a quartet of wide receivers from the transfer portal with graduate transfers Romon Copeland Jr., Braxton Hicks, and Malik Bowen-Sims in addition to redshirt senior Christopher Scott Jr. Copeland Jr. leads the bunch with 71 receptions for 1,294 yards and seven touchdowns in 31 games over three seasons at Hampton. Bowen-Sims (Duke), Hicks (Georgia), and Scott Jr. (North Carolina State) all come from Power 5 programs. Bowen-Sims totaled 13 receptions for 107 yards in 32 games for the Blue Devils, while Scott Jr. – who spent his final two seasons at NC State as a defensive back – posted two receptions for 49 yards for the Wolfpack. Hicks played in four games for the Bulldogs over four seasons but recorded no offensive statistics.



## GROUND WORK

Austin Peay added a pair of graduate transfer running backs from the FBS level in **La'Vell Wright (#11)** and O'Shaan Allison. Wright, who played two seasons at Kentucky before missing the 2023 campaign with an injury, totaled 48 carries for 238 yards and a touchdown in 17 games for the Wildcats. Allison brings even more experience to the Govs offense with 37 games played over six seasons at Ohio, where he rushed for 1,671 yards and nine touchdowns in 371 carries. Wright and Allison bring experience to a running backs room that has a combined seven carries for 27 yards, excluding the two graduate transfers.

## AND THEN THERE WERE THREE

Last season, Austin Peay's wide receivers combined for 223 receptions for 3,104 yards and 27 touchdowns. Of the 10 wide receivers that caught a pass for the Governors last season, only Jaden Barnes, Khatib Lyles, and DJ Carter are returning for the Governors in 2024. With that trio returning, the Govs will have to replace 87.9 percent of the receptions, 90.7 percent of the receiving yards, and 88.9 percent of the receiving touchdowns recorded by last year's team. Barnes is Austin Peay's top returning pass catcher with 17 receptions for 204 yards and a touchdown, while Lyles totaled nine receptions for 74 yards and two touchdowns last season. In addition, Carter had one reception for 12 yards during the 2023 season.

## RE-WRITTEN RECORD BOOK REVIEW

Last season, Austin Peay's offense set the single-season program records for completion percentage (66.7), passing efficiency (162.2), passing yards per game (274.1), and total offense per game (426.8). Last year's offense also posted the second-best single-season marks in passing yards (3,289), passing touchdowns (30), total offense (5,121), scoring (409), and touchdowns (53) – trailing only the 2019 team, which played three more games while making a run to the quarterfinals of the FCS Playoffs, in all five categories. The 2023 offense also set the Austin Peay single-game record for passing yards (441, vs. ETSU) and tied the passing touchdowns record (6, vs. North Alabama).

## 2023 TOP OFFENSIVE PERFORMANCES

## RUSHING (MIN. 30 YDS)

Player (Opponent)	Att	Yds	TD
Jevon Jackson (SFA)	26	197	1
Jevon Jackson (UTU)	38	192	0
Jevon Jackson (UTC)	23	184	2
Jevon Jackson (UNA)	30	160	0
Jevon Jackson (LU)	23	158	2
Jevon Jackson (EKU)	25	120	0
Jevon Jackson (GWU)	25	108	1
CJ Evans Jr. (ETSU)	14	102	0
Jevon Jackson (SUU)	16	92	2
Jevon Jackson (UCA)	23	70	1

## PASSING (MIN. 100 YDS)

Player (Opponent)	Cmp-Att-Int	Yds	TD
Mike DiLiello (ETSU)	37-46-0	441	5
Mike DiLiello (GWU)	31-41-0	372	2
Mike DiLiello (UNA)	20-25-0	353	6
Mike DiLiello (LU)	15-30-1	349	3
Mike DiLiello (EKU)	18-28-0	310	4
Mike DiLiello (UTU)	17-27-2	279	2
Mike DiLiello (UT)	29-39-1	260	1
Mike DiLiello (SIU)	20-34-2	214	2
Mike DiLiello (SUU)	16-31-2	209	1
Mike DiLiello (UCA)	19-26-0	189	0

## RECEIVING (MIN. 30 YDS)

Player (Opponent)	Rec	Yds	TD
Kam Thomas (EKU)	10	204	2
Trey Goodman (UNA)	5	129	1
Tre Shackelford (GWU)	8	126	0
Tre Shackelford (UTU)	6	125	1
Tre Shackelford (SUU)	6	123	1
Jaden Barnes (ETSU)	7	121	0
Trey Goodman (GWU)	5	101	0
Kam Thomas (LU)	2	92	2
Tre Shackelford (ETSU)	9	91	1
Tre Shackelford (UNA)	3	87	1

## DEFENSIVE STANDS

## KNIFE'D 'EM

A 2024 Preseason All-UAC and 2023 Second Team All-UAC selection, Hosea Knifeley Jr. is Austin Peay's top returner in tackles (52), tackles for loss (7.5), and sacks (4.0). Knifeley Jr. led all of the Gobs' defensive linemen in tackles last season while also leading the team and ranking ninth in the conference in sacks. In addition, Knifeley ranked second on the team and 15th in the UAC in tackles for loss.

## THE SMOKY MOUNTAIN KID

A native of Sevierville, Tennessee, Garrett Hawkins played in all 12 games as a true freshman in 2023 while recording 15 tackles, one tackle for loss, a pass breakup, and a fumble recovery that he returned for a touchdown. In Week 3 against ETSU, Hawkins recorded a five-yard scoop-and-score for his first collegiate touchdown. Two weeks later, he racked up a career-best nine tackles at Lindenwood en route to earning UAC Freshman of the Week honors.

## ALL-AMERICA TRANSFER

After playing 46 games in his first four seasons at South Alabama, Keith Gallmon missed the entire 2022 season and played in just the first two games of the 2023 season due to injury. In his first four seasons at South Alabama, Gallmon racked up 204 tackles, 5.5 tackles for loss, three interceptions, two forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries, and 16 pass breakups. Gallmon Jr.'s time at South Alabama was highlighted by a 2020 season that saw him post 84 tackles, one tackle for loss, an interception, a fumble recovery, and 10 pass breakups while leading the Sun Belt Conference and ranking sixth in the NCAA with 59 solo tackles. Gallmon Jr. was named a First Team All-America and First Team All-Sun Belt Conference selection by Pro Football Focus; he also received Third Team All-SBC honors.

## TFL TIM

Tim Alderman spent four seasons at Division II Fort Valley State, where he redshirted in 2020 before playing 27 games over the next three seasons. In three seasons, Alderman has racked up 101 tackles with 30.5 tackles for loss and 17.0 sacks. Alderman posted career bests with 14 tackles for loss and 7.5 sacks in 2022, earning Second Team All-Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference honors while ranking second in the conference in TFLs and sacks. Alderman also ranked 32nd in NCAA DII in tackles for loss per game (1.4) and 37th in sacks per game (.75) during the 2022 season. The 6-1, 221-pound defensive lineman also posted a career game during the 2021 season, posting five tackles for loss and three sacks against Clark Atlanta.

## ZBV

After beginning his career at Shaw University (2021-22), Za'Heir Barnes-Vaughn spent one season at Notre Dame College before transferring to Austin Peay. Barnes-Vaughn has totaled 82 tackles, 9.5 tackles for loss, 1.5 sacks, two fumble recoveries, and two pass breakups during his collegiate career. Barnes-Vaughn enjoyed a career year at Shaw in 2022 when he recorded 54 tackles, 5.5 tackles for loss, 1.5 sacks, a fumble recovery, and two pass breakups.



## NEW (OLD) KIDS ON THE BLOCK

**Jesse Johnson III (#1)** is one of 18 transfers on Austin Peay's defense this season, with 13 players from Division I programs and five from the Division II ranks. The Governors' 18 defensive transfers have combined for 1,074 career tackles, 98.0 tackles for loss, 35.0 sacks, nine forced fumbles, 12 fumble recoveries, 10 interceptions, 48 pass breakups, and 58 quarterback hurries. South Alabama transfer defensive back Keith Gallmon leads the group with 205 tackles and three interceptions, while Fort Valley State transfer defensive lineman Tim Alderman leads the transfers with 30.5 TFLs and 17.0 sacks.

## THE LB OF ENCHANTMENT

A native of Albuquerque, New Mexico, graduate transfer linebacker Dion Hunter played three seasons at New Mexico (2020-22) before transferring to Cincinnati for the 2023 season. In 25 games for New Mexico, Hunter tallied 114 tackles, 5.5 tackles for loss, three sacks, and a pass breakup while ranking fourth among Lobos with 69 tackles in 2022. In his lone season in the Queen City, Hunter added 11 tackles and half a tackle for loss, bringing his career total to 125 tackles, six tackles for loss, three sacks, and a pass breakup.

## LUCKY NUMBER SEVEN

After beginning his collegiate career at Western Carolina (2019-20), Dorian Davis transferred to Southern Illinois (2021) and Towson before making his way to Austin Peay. After redshirting as a true freshman in 2019, Davis earned 2020-21 HERO Sports Freshman All-America and 2021 Southern Conference All-Freshman Team honors with 42 tackles, a forced fumble, and three pass breakups. Three years later, Davis broke out for a career year at Towson when he recorded 73 tackles, two interceptions, and a pass breakup. Davis led the Tigers with 46 solo tackles in 2023 while ranking third on the team in total tackles.

## BO KNOWS

In four years at Chattanooga (2020-23), Bo Spearman posted 72 tackles, 3.0 tackles for loss, three fumble recoveries, and two pass breakups. Spearman increased his total tackles each season with the Mocs before recording a career-best 48 tackles, 2.5 tackles for loss, two fumble recoveries, and two pass breakups during the 2023 season.

## 2023 TOP DEFENSIVE PERFORMANCES

## TACKLE LEADERS

Player (Opponent)	UT	Asst	Tot
Tyler Long (SUU)	15	2	17
Tyler Long (SIU)	2	15	17
Xavier Smith (UTC)	6	7	13
Sam Howard (UCA)	5	8	13
Sam Howard (UT)	6	7	13
Sam Howard (UTC)	1	11	12
Xavier Smith (UCA)	4	8	12
Michael Ruttlen Jr. (EKU)	9	3	12
Hosea Knifeley Jr. (SUU)	6	6	12

## TACKLES FOR LOSS/SACKS

Player (Opponent)	TFL	Sacks
Hosea Knifeley Jr. (SUU)	2.5	1.0
Travis Bates (EKU)	2.0	1.0
J'Vian McCray (EKU)	2.0	1.0
Sam Howard (UNA)	2.0	0.0
Kory Chapman (GWU)	2.0	0.0
Hosea Knifeley Jr. (LU)	2.0	2.0

## INTERCEPTIONS/PASS BREAKUPS

Player (Opponent)	INT	PBU
Cedarius Doss (SFA)	2	0
Tyler Long (UTU)	1	2
Cedarius Doss (UCA)	1	1
Kory Chapman (GWU)	1	0
Jaden Lyles (GWU)	1	0
Michael Ruttlen Jr. (LU)	1	0
Benji Johnson (LU)	1	0
Jau'Von Young (LU)	1	0
Jevon McIver Jr. (ETSU)	1	0
Jevon McIver Jr. (UCA)	0	3

## SPECIAL TEAMS HIGHLIGHTS

## FIELD GOAL FIRSTS

No player on Austin Peay's roster has ever kicked a field goal or kicked off in a collegiate football game. Carson Smith is slated to be the Governors' starting kicker after spending three seasons at East Carolina (2021-23), where he did not see action. In addition to Smith, Maston Joyner is a true freshman, and Tommy Holden is a senior who spent three seasons at Mississippi State (2021-23) but did not participate in collegiate athletics. Dominik Stadlman is Austin Peay's most experienced specialist with 119 career punts at Division II Pittsburg State, but he has never attempted a field goal or kicked off in a college football game.

## DOM THE PUNTER

In four seasons at Pittsburg State (2020-23), Dominik Stadlman punted 119 times for 4,505 yards and a 37.9-yard average. Stadlman also recorded 34 punts downed inside the 20-yard line and 13 50-plus-yard punts while only having five touchbacks in his career. As a redshirt freshman in 2021, Stadlman posted a career-best 51.67-yard punting average on three attempts and blasted a career-long 69-yard punt against Missouri Western.

## SNAP FACTS

Longsnapper Austin Turner spent three seasons at Liberty (2021-23) before transferring to Austin Peay for the 2024 season. Turner did not see action in his first two seasons at Liberty but played in all 14 games for the Flames during their 2023 Conference USA Championship season. Turner recorded his first collegiate tackle in the 2024 Vrbo Fiesta Bowl against Oregon.

## SPECIAL TEAMS, SPECIAL TACKLES, SPECIAL PLAYERS

Five of the eight Austin Peay players that recorded multiple tackles on special teams last season are back for the 2024 campaign. Ellis Ellis Jr. (3), Jaden Lyles (3), Christian Lewis (2), Austin Skoglund (2), and Tra Stover (2) all return for the Governors after making an impact on special teams last season.



## ROMON THE RETURNER

In three seasons at Hampton, **Romon Copeland Jr. (#1)** 🏈 returned 32 kicks for 663 yards and a touchdown in addition to 11 punts for 59 yards. Copeland Jr. averages 20.7 yards per kick return and 5.4 yards per punt return in his collegiate career. During the 2023 season, Copeland Jr. returned a kick 96 yards for a touchdown against North Carolina A&T. The 96-yard return was a career-long and was tied for the ninth-longest kick return in the FCS in 2023. Copeland Jr. ranked fourth in the FCS and second in the Coastal Athletic Association with one kickoff return touchdown last season.

## 2023 SPECIAL TEAMS TACKLES LEADERS

## TOTAL SPECIAL TEAMS TACKLES

Player	Tot
Xavier Smith	4
Riley Stephens	4
Ellis Ellis Jr.	3
Jaden Lyles	3
Christian Lewis	2
Denver Parker	2
Austin Skoglund	2
Tra Stover	2

## KICKOFF RETURN TACKLES

Player	TKL
Riley Stephens	3
Ellis Ellis Jr.	2
Christian Lewis	2
Jaden Lyles	2
Tra Stover	2

## PUNT RETURN TACKLES

Player	TKL
Xavier Smith	4
Denver Parker	2
Ellis Ellis Jr.	1
Benji Johnson	1
Jaden Lyles	1
Khatib Lyles	1
Kenny Odom	1
Michael Ruttlen Jr.	1
Austin Skoglund	1
Riley Stephens	1



**KIRTON FOR CAMPBELL TROPHY**

Redshirt junior offensive lineman Chandler Kirton is Austin Peay's nominee for the 2024 William V. Campbell Trophy®, which is awarded by The National Football Foundation & College Hall of Fame (NFF). The Campbell Trophy is college football's premier scholar-athlete award that annually recognizes an individual as the absolute best in the nation for his combined academic success, football performance, and exemplary leadership. Last season, APSU quarterback Mike DiLiello was named a semifinalist for the 2023 Campbell Trophy.

**GO D.J.**

Austin Peay alumnus D.J. Montgomery played in a pair of games for the Indianapolis Colts during the 2023 season, recording three receptions for 56 yards with a 14-yard touchdown reception in a 30-13 win against the Pittsburgh Steelers. Before signing with Indianapolis, the 6-1, 201-pound wide receiver spent time with the USFL's Michigan Panthers. Montgomery also spent time with the Colts and Houston Texans during the 2022 NFL training camp after spending the 2021 season with the New York Jets, where he caught three passes for 36 yards in three appearances. Montgomery signed with Cleveland as an undrafted free agent in 2019 and spent his rookie season on the Browns' Injured Reserve List.

**THE RETURN OF SWERVE**

Austin Peay alumnus Kyran Moore will miss the 2024 Canadian Football League season after suffering an ACL injury in June. Moore, who spent his first five seasons in the CFL with the Saskatchewan Rough Riders, had 69 receptions for 743 yards and four touchdowns in his first season with the Edmonton Elks in 2023. In his CFL career, Moore has made 279 catches for 3,094 yards and 14 touchdowns, along with a pair of touchdowns on punt returns.

**MIKE D THE QB**

After participating in the Tennessee Titans' 2024 rookie mini-camp, Austin Peay alumnus Mike DiLiello signed with the XFL's DC Defenders. DiLiello, the 2023 UAC Offensive Player of the Year, did not see action in his first season with the Defenders. In just two seasons at Austin Peay, DiLiello became the program's career leader in passing yards (5,611), passing touchdowns (49), completion percentage (64.1), pass efficiency (149.7), passing yards per game (244.0), total offense (6,260), touchdowns responsible for (62), and total offense per game (272.2). DiLiello's 13 rushing touchdowns are the second-most by a quarterback in program history, and he is the only APSU quarterback to throw for 2,000-plus yards in multiple seasons.

**KJ13**

Austin Peay alumnus Kordell Jackson signed with the Canadian Football League's Edmonton Elks in February 2024. In his first season in the CFL, Jackson has totaled 19 tackles, three interceptions, and a forced fumble in his first eight games. Before signing with the Elks, Jackson spent the 2023 season with the Indoor Football League's Frisco Fighters, earning IFL Defensive Rookie of the Year and First Team All-IFL honors. In his lone season with the Fighters, Jackson was tied for the IFL lead with eight interceptions, including three pick-sixes, in addition to recording 68 tackles and 23 pass deflections in 16 games.

**FOR JC**

On July 21, 2023, Jeremiah Collins, a freshman on the Austin Peay football team, tragically passed away. To honor Collins, every Governors player will wear a "JC" helmet sticker, and nobody will wear Collins' No. 16 jersey this season. A native of Louisville, Kentucky, Collins graduated from Oakland High School in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, in May 2023. Collins was a member of the Patriots' 2022 TSSAA 6A State Championship team. Born Oct. 11, 2004, Jeremiah Dajuan Collins is the son of Melvin Collins and Regina Saulsberry, he has eight siblings: Xavier Collins, Erick Lindsay, James Monroe, Jr., Jayshawn Monroe, Darias Collins, Nicole Santander, Nicari Polk, and Paris Peterson.

**DIPLOMA IN ONE HAND**

Even with 53-of-101 student-athletes on Austin Peay's 2024 football roster being underclassmen (redshirt sophomores and younger), 22 Gobs have a bachelor's degree in hand and are pursuing post-graduate degrees or a second bachelor's degree. The 22 graduate students are denoted with a 🎓 on the roster and will wear a graduate patch on their uniform this season.

# JEFF FARIS

**Head Coach • First Season at Austin Peay**

**Career Record: 0-0 (1st season)**

**Alma Mater: Duke, 2011**

Jeff Faris, a Tennessean with a dozen years of Division I coaching experience at the FBS level, was named the 22nd head football coach in Austin Peay State University history by Vice President and Director of Athletic Gerald Harrison in December 2023.

A Knoxville, Tennessee native, Faris spent two seasons as the tight ends coach for head coach Chip Kelly at UCLA. Before his time in Los Angeles, he was on head coach David Cutcliffe's coaching staff at Duke, where he was named the 2018 American Football Coaches Association's FBS Assistant Coach of the Year. By the end of his 10 seasons in Durham, North Carolina, Faris had become the Blue Devils' co-offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach.

Faris helped return the Blue Devils to national prominence as they reached six bowl games and won the 2015 Pinstripe Bowl, the 2017 Quick Lane Bowl, and the 2018 Independence Bowl. At UCLA, Faris helped guide the Bruins to the 2022 Sun Bowl and the 2023 LA Bowl.

Faris is a three-time Duke graduate, earning his bachelor's degree in economics in 2011 before earning a master's degree in economics in 2012 and a second master's degree in Christian Studies in 2014.

Faris and his wife Natalie welcomed twin sons, Jack and Eli, in June 2023.

## FARIS' CAREER SUMMARY

### AUSTIN PEAY (2024-CURRENT)

**2024:** Named Austin Peay's 22nd head coach in December 2023.

### UCLA (2022-23)

**2023:** In his final season in Los Angeles, Faris' tight ends recorded 32 receptions for 613 yards and seven touchdowns. Carsen Ryan led the unit with 13 receptions for 205 yards and three touchdowns while All-Pac-12 honorable mention selection Moliki Motavao recorded 12 receptions for 266 yards and two touchdowns. In addition, Hudson Habermehl added seven receptions for 142 yards and two touchdowns. Per PFF, the Bruins had the No. 1 tight end unit in the Pac-12 with Ryan and Motavao grading out as the No. 1 and No. 2 tight ends in the conference, respectively, while Habermehl graded out as the No. 12 tight end in the league. At 7-5 overall, the Bruins earned a bid to the 2023 LA Bowl, but Faris departed for Austin Peay before the bowl game.



### COACHING EXPERIENCE

2024-present: Austin Peay (Head Coach)  
 2022-23: UCLA (Tight Ends)  
 2021: Duke (co-Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks)  
 2018-20: Duke (Tight Ends)  
 2014-17: Duke (Wide Receivers)  
 2012-13: Duke (Graduate Assistant)

### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

2008-11: Duke (Defensive Back)

### EDUCATION

Duke, 2014 (M.A., Christian Studies)  
 Duke, 2012 (M.A., Economics)  
 Duke, 2011 (B.S. Economics)

### FAMILY

Spouse: Natalie  
 Twin sons: Jack & Eli





## HEAD COACH

**2022:** Named UCLA's tight ends coach by head coach Chip Kelly in Jan. 2022 and helped the Bruins' tight ends combine for 41 receptions for 475 yards and six touchdowns during his first season in Westwood. Michael Ezeike led the group with 20 catches for 226 yards and four touchdowns while becoming the first UCLA player to record three touchdown receptions in a single game since 2017 against USC. In addition, wide receiver Jake Bobo, who Faris coached at Duke before he transferred to UCLA, led the Bruins with 57 receptions for 817 yards and seven touchdowns while earning All-Pac-12 honorable mention honors. The Bruins' offense averaged 503.6 yards of total offense per game, the fourth-best mark in the NCAA and the first time in program history the Bruins had averaged more than 500 yards of offense per game. UCLA went 9-4 and earned a bid to the 2022 Sun Bowl where they fell to Pittsburgh.

**DUKE (2012-21)**

**2021:** In his final season at Duke, Faris was promoted to co-offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach while also assuming play-calling duties. The Blue Devils passed for 2,855 yards and nine touchdowns, with quarterback Gunnar Holmberg leading the way with 2,358 yards – the most by a Duke quarterback since 2018 – and seven touchdown passes. Holmberg also completed 67 percent of his passes that season, which ranked second in the ACC and 22nd in the NCAA. In addition, Holmberg rushed for six touchdowns, while reserve quarterbacks Jordan Moore and Riley Leonard combined for two more passing and three rushing touchdowns. The Blue Devils averaged 418.2 passing and 180.3 rushing yards per game en route to 418.2 yards of total offense per game. In addition, running back Mataeo Duran earned 2021 First Team All-ACC honors after rushing for a Duke single-season record 1,241 yards – breaking a record that had stood for 49 years – and nine of Blue Devils' 22 rushing touchdowns. Wide receiver Jake Bobo was also a Third Team All-ACC honoree after leading the Blue Devils with 74 receptions and 794 yards with one touchdown reception.

**2020:** In Faris' final season as tight ends coach and offensive recruiting coordinator, the Blue Devils' tight ends recorded 46 receptions for 479 yards and three touchdowns. Noah Gray led the group with 29 catches for 285 yards and two touchdowns, ranking third on the team in yards and receptions and leading the Blue Devils in touchdown catches. Gray also ranked second in the ACC for a tight end in receptions and receiving yards. During his senior season, Gray broke a 57-yard-old Duke record for career receptions by a tight end. Jake Marwede added 13 receptions for 145 yards and a touchdown, his 55-yard scoring grab against Virginia was tied for the longest touchdown catch by a Blue Devil in 2021. After three seasons under Faris, Gray represented Duke at the Reese's Senior Bowl and was invited to the NFL Combine before being drafted in the fifth round of the 2021 NFL Draft by the Kansas City Chiefs.

**2019:** During his second season under Faris, Gray recorded 51 receptions for 392 yards and three touchdowns – all career-bests – en route to earning Second Team All-America selection by The Walter Camp Football Foundation. Gray led the Blue Devils in receptions and ranked second on the team in receiving yards while also leading ACC tight ends and ranking second among Power 5 tight ends in receptions. Gray also ranked 13th in the ACC in receptions per game (4.25) and finished the season with the second-most receptions in a single season by a Blue Devils tight end.

**2018:** In his first season as tight ends coach, Faris was named the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) FBS Assistant Coach of the Year. The Blue Devils' tight ends combined for 60 receptions for 620 yards and 10 touchdowns, making them the only tight end unit in the ACC with double-digit touchdown catches in 2018. Daniel Helm, who earned Third Team All-ACC honors, led the group with 26 catches for 271 yards and two touchdowns while Davis Koppenhaver added 14 receptions for 115 yards and seven touchdowns. Koppenhaver's seven touchdown catches matched the Duke single-season record for TD receptions by a tight end and helped him break the Duke career record for touchdowns by a tight end with 12. Noah Gray also added 20 catches for 234 yards and a touchdown. Helm and Koppenhaver both earned Academic All-ACC recognition while Helm also picked up Google Cloud Academic All-District III honors. Helm represented Duke in the 2019 East-West Shrine Game before being chosen to participate in the NFL Combine and spent four years in the league with various franchises. The Blue Devils earned a bid to the Walk-On's Independence Bowl, where they beat Temple, 56-27.

**2017:** In his fourth and final season as the wide receivers coach, Faris added offensive recruiting coordinator to his title before the 2017 season. T.J. Rahming, an Honorable Mention All-ACC performer, led Duke with 65 receptions and 795 receiving yards, marking the third-straight season he had topped both the 40-catch and 500-yard plateaus under Faris. Rahming also eclipsed the 2,000-receiving yard mark in just his third collegiate season. Duke closed the season at the Quick Lane Bowl, beating Northern Illinois, 36-14, at Ford Field in Detroit.

**2016:** In his second season working with Faris, T.J. Rahming broke out for a team-leading 70 receptions and 742 yards while also recording one touchdown catch. Johnathan Lloyd, who Faris helped transition from a defensive back to wide receiver in Spring 2016, added 34 catches for 301 yards and a team-best three touchdown receptions. Anthony Nash also recorded 29 receptions for 398 yards and two touchdowns in just seven games before suffering a season-ending injury, he would later go on to sign an NFL free agent contract with the Denver Broncos.

**2015:** During his second season as the Blue Devils' wide receivers coach, senior Max McCaffrey led the Blue Devils with 52 receptions for 643 yards and five touchdowns – all team highs for the season. McCaffrey, who signed an NFL free agent contract with the Oakland Raiders in 2016, played his final two seasons under Faris and finished his collegiate career with 117 receptions for 1,341 yards and 12 touchdowns. In addition to McCaffrey, T.J. Rahming ranked second on the team with 43 receptions for 571 yards and two touchdowns while setting the Duke single-game records for receptions (12) and receiving yards (190) against Virginia. Before the 2015 season, Faris helped Duke sign quarterback Daniel Jones (2015-18), who would finish his Blue Devils' career with 8,201 passing yards and 52 passing touchdowns in three seasons, while also rushing for 1,323 yards and 17 touchdowns. Jones would later go on to be drafted sixth overall in the 2019 NFL Draft by the New York Giants. After earning a bid to the New Era Pinstripe Bowl at Yankee Stadium in the Bronx, where they beat Indiana, 44-41, to earn their first bowl victory since 1960.

**FARIS YEAR-BY-YEAR****CAREER RECORD****0-0 .000****CONFERENCE RECORD****0-0 .000**

Year	School	Overall		Conference			Notes/Postseason/Awards
		Record	Pct.	Record	Pct.	Finish	
2012	Duke (GA)	6-7	.462	3-5	.375	5th (Coastal)	Belk Bowl participant
2013	Duke (GA)	10-4	.714	6-2	.750	1st (Coastal)	ACC Coastal Division Champions, ACC Championship Game participant, Chick-fil-A Bowl participant
2014	Duke (WR)	9-4	.692	5-3	.625	2nd (Coastal)	Hyundai Sun Bowl participant
2015	Duke (WR)	8-5	.615	4-4	.500	t-3rd (Coastal)	Won New Era Pinstripe Bowl vs. Indiana, 44-41, in OT
2016	Duke (WR)	4-8	.333	1-7	.125	t-6th (Coastal)	
2017	Duke (WR)	7-6	.539	3-5	.375	t-4th (Coastal)	Won Quick Lane Bowl vs. Northern Illinois, 36-14
2018	Duke (TE)	8-5	.615	3-5	.375	6th (Coastal)	Won Walk-On's Independence Bowl vs. Temple, 56-27
2019	Duke (TE)	5-7	.417	3-5	.375	6th (Coastal)	
2020	Duke (TE)	2-9	.182	1-9	.100	t-14th	
2021	Duke (OC/QB)	3-9	.250	0-8	.000	6th (Coastal)	
2022	UCLA (TE)	9-4	.692	6-3	.667	t-5th	Sun Bowl participant
2023	UCLA (TE)	8-5	.615	4-5	.444	t-7th	Helped UCLA earn LA Bowl bid, departed for APSU before bowl game
<b>2024</b>	<b>Austin Peay</b>	--	--	--	--	--	Named Austin Peay's 22nd Head Coach on December 9, 2023

**NOTE:** Years and W-L Records as Head Coach in bold; Years as Assistant Coach in italics, assistant coach position in parentheses.



## HEAD COACH

**2014:** In his first full-time season as the Blue Devils' wide receivers coach, Faris guided senior Jamison Crowder to a record-breaking finish to his career. Crowder led Duke with 85 receptions and 1,044 receiving yards while ranking second on the team with six receiving touchdowns and was a First Team All-ACC selection. Crowder was a fourth-round pick by the Washington Redskins in the 2015 NFL Draft – Duke's first wide receiver selected in the draft since Clarkston Hines went to the Buffalo Bills in the ninth round of the 1990 draft. In addition to Crowder's exploits, Faris helped wideout Issac Blakeney turn in his best year as a Blue Devil with 47 receptions for 559 yards and a team-high seven touchdowns. After the season, Blakeney would sign as a free agent with the San Francisco 49ers. Max McCaffrey also totaled 37 receptions for 385 yards and three touchdowns during his junior season. Duke closed the season by earning a bid to the Sun Bowl, where they fell to Arizona State.

**2012-13:** Faris served as a graduate assistant at Duke for two seasons. Duke won the ACC Coastal Division championship during the 2013 campaign with Faris working alongside Scottie Montgomery with the team's wide receivers. The Blue Devils' offense ranked among the ACC's leaders in scoring (5th; 32.8 ppg), total offense (4th; 426.1 ypg), and passing offense (6th; 248.1 ypg) in 2013 while setting the program record for total points (459) and becoming the first team in school history to post 25-plus rushing touchdowns and 25-plus passing touchdowns in the same season. In Faris' two seasons as a graduate assistant, the Blue Devils earned bids to the 2012 Belk Bowl against Cincinnati and the 2013 Chick-fil-A Bowl against Texas A&M. The 2012 bowl appearance marked Duke's first bowl game since the 1994 season.

## COLLEGIATE PLAYING CAREER (2008-11)

Faris played safety at Duke for four seasons and earned the Mike Suglia Award in 2009, an honor that is annually presented to the sophomore member of the Duke football program who best exemplifies the academic and athletic qualities of the late Mike Suglia. In 2011, Faris received the Micah Harris Trinity Teammate Award, which is presented each season to a Duke player who displays the traits of a true teammate – character, unselfishness, compassion, and pride. Faris also was honored by the ACC with a Top 6 For Service award in the spring of 2011. Before his time in Durham, Faris was a four-year letterwinner at Knoxville Catholic High School.



## GOVS RECORD WITH FARIS

The Basics	2024	ALL	Offensive Performance	2024	ALL	Defensive Performance	2024	ALL
Overall	0-0	--	Scoring 14 or fewer points	0-0	--	Allowing 14 or fewer points	0-0	--
Home	0-0	--	Scoring 15-21 points	0-0	--	Allowing 15-21 points	0-0	--
Road	0-0	--	Scoring 22-28 points	0-0	--	Allowing 22-28 points	0-0	--
Conference Games	0-0	--	Scoring 29-35 points	0-0	--	Allowing 29-35 points	0-0	--
August	0-0	--	Scoring 36 or more points	0-0	--	Allowing 36 or more points	0-0	--
September	0-0	--	Less than 300 offensive yards	0-0	--	Less than 300 offensive yards	0-0	--
October	0-0	--	300-399 offensive yards	0-0	--	300-399 offensive yards	0-0	--
November	0-0	--	400-499 offensive yards	0-0	--	400-499 offensive yards	0-0	--
December	0-0	--	500 or more offensive yards	0-0	--	500 or more offensive yards	0-0	--
vs. FCS Top 25	0-0	--	Less than 100 rushing yards	0-0	--	Less than 100 rushing yards	0-0	--
FCS Playoffs	0-0	--	100-199 rushing yards	0-0	--	100-199 rushing yards	0-0	--
vs. FBS	0-0	--	200 or more rushing yards	0-0	--	200 or more rushing yards	0-0	--
			Less than 200 passing yards	0-0	--	Less than 200 passing yards	0-0	--
<b>Time of Game</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>ALL</b>	200-299 passing yards	0-0	--	200-299 passing yards	0-0	--
Leading at Halftime	0-0	--	300 or more passing yards	0-0	--	300 or more passing yards	0-0	--
Tied at Halftime	0-0	--	Allow Defensive TD	0-0	--	Score Defensive TD	0-0	--
Trailing at Halftime	0-0	--	Allow Special Teams TD	0-0	--	Score Special Teams TD	0-0	--
Leading after 3rd quarter	0-0	--						
Tied after the 3rd quarter	0-0	--	<b>Random Chance</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>ALL</b>	<b>Turnover Count</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>ALL</b>
Trailing after the 3rd quarter	0-0	--	Opening Coin Toss	0-0	--	Positive Turnover Margin	0-0	--
Overtime games	0-0	--	Overtime Coin Toss	0-0	--	Equal Turnover Margin	0-0	--
Wire-to-Wire wins (never trailed)	0-0	--	Winning the opening coin toss	0-0	--	Negative Turnover Margin	0-0	--
Wins in final minute of regulation	0	0	Losing the opening coin toss	0-0	--	Record an interception	0-0	--
Losses in final minute of regulation	0	0				Recover a fumble	0-0	--

# AUSTIN PEAY FOOTBALL

## COACHING & SUPPORT STAFF



**Tripp Weaver**  
Defensive Coord.  
Safeties  
1st season  
East Carolina, 2012



**Quinn Billerman**  
Offensive Coord.  
Quarterbacks  
1st season  
NC Central, 2015



**Jack Nudo**  
Special Teams Coord.  
Strikers  
1st season  
Benedictine, 201



**Antonio Bradford**  
Run-Game Coord.  
Running Backs  
1st season  
Alabama State, 2005



**Shane Tucker**  
Recruiting Coord.  
Wide Receivers  
1st season  
Middle Tennessee, 2017



**George Quarles**  
Tight Ends  
1st season  
Furman, 1989



**DeOn'Tae Pannell**  
Defensive Line  
1st season  
Penn State, 2012



**Khyle Jackson**  
Cornerbacks  
1st season  
North Alabama, 2016



**Brandon Williams**  
Linebackers  
1st season  
East Carolina, 2015



**Michael Gehl**  
Offensive Line  
2nd season  
Wheaton College, 2021



**Carson Hailey**  
Graduate Assistant  
Offense  
1st season  
Gardner-Webb, 2023



**Trevor Horton**  
Graduate Assistant  
Offense  
1st season  
Duke, 2023



**Nathan Papandrea**  
Graduate Assistant  
Defense  
1st season  
Northern Illinois, 2024



**Grant Speer**  
Quality Control  
Offense  
1st season



**Zach Arias**  
Video Coord.  
Quality Control  
1st season  
Fort Hays, 2022



**DJ Ford**  
Quality Control  
Defense  
1st season  
North Carolina, 2020



**Quinton Lee**  
Quality Control  
Defense  
1st season  
Hampton, 2019



**Reynaldo Pena**  
Quality Control  
Defense  
1st season  
American Military Univ., 2019



**Judson Hunter**  
Quality Control  
Special Teams  
1st season  
Middle Tennessee, 2023



**Luke Haker**  
Chief of Staff  
1st season  
Mississippi State, 2019



**Semi Bowden**  
Director of Football  
Operations  
1st season  
Georgia Southern, 2020



**Patrick Allen**  
Director of Player  
Personnel  
1st season  
Texas A&M, 2019



**Jake London**  
Director of  
On-Campus Recruiting  
1st season  
Indiana, 2023



**Briana Charles**  
Graduate Assistant  
Recruiting  
1st season  
Eastern Kentucky, 2022



**Daniel Schmidt**  
Assistant AD  
Equipment Operations  
1st season  
Mississippi State, 2013



**Justin Collett**  
Director of Football  
Sports Performance  
1st season  
Maryville College, 2017



**Maryam Nalbandian**  
Director of Sports  
Nutrition  
1st season  
Arizona State, 2020



**Lauren Norton**  
Assistant AD  
Sports Medicine  
4th season  
East Carolina, 2013



**Liz Bailum**  
Assistant Athletic  
Trainer  
1st season  
Southern Indiana, 2017



**Alexis Luke**  
Assistant Athletic  
Trainer  
1st season  
Nicholls State, 2022



# AUSTIN PEAY FOOTBALL

## SCHEDULE & BROADCAST INFORMATION

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME/TV	SERIES	RESULT	NOTABLY
8/31	at LOUISVILLE 0-0, 0-0 ACC	Louisville, Ky. Saluki Stadium	11 AM ACCN	First Meeting		
9/7	#10 SOUTHERN ILLINOIS 0-0, 0-0 MVFC	Clarksville, Tenn. Fortera Stadium	6 PM ESPN+	SIU 6-2		
9/14	at #11 CENTRAL ARKANSAS 0-0, 0-0 UAC	Conway, Ark. Estes Stadium	6 PM ESPN+	UCA 4-1		
9/21	ALABAMA A&M 0-0, 0-0 SWAC	Clarksville, Tenn. Fortera Stadium	6 PM ESPN+	APSU 1-0		
9/28	SOUTHERN UTAH 0-0, 0-0 UAC	Clarksville, Tenn. Fortera Stadium	1 PM ESPN+	APSU 1-0		
10/5	at WEST GEORGIA 0-0, 0-0 UAC	Carrollton, Ga. University Stadium	1 PM ESPN+	First Meeting		
10/19	at UTAH TECH 0-0, 0-0 UAC	St. George, Utah Greater Zion Stadium	3 PM ESPN+	APSU 1-0		
10/26	#21 TARLETON STATE 1-0, 0-0 UAC	Clarksville, Tenn. Fortera Stadium	3 PM ESPN+	First Meeting		
11/4	at NORTH ALABAMA 0-1, 0-0 UAC	Florence, Ala. Braly Stadium	4 PM ESPN+	UNA 13-8		
11/9	ABILENE CHRISTIAN 0-0, 0-0 UAC	Clarksville, Tenn. Fortera Stadium	3 PM ESPN+	First Meeting		
11/16	EASTERN KENTUCKY 0-0, 0-0 UAC	Clarksville, Tenn. Fortera Stadium	1 PM ESPN+	EKU 47-8		
11/23	#9 CHATTANOOGA 0-0, 0-0 SOCON	Clarksville, Tenn. Fortera Stadium	1 PM ESPN+	UTC 7-1		

### GOVERNORS ON RADIO

Austin Peay Athletics and the Five Star Radio Group again present the Governors Sports Network, now in its 16th season as the radio home of Governors athletics. All 12 games and all postseason contests during the 2024 Governors football campaign will be broadcast live on ESPN Clarksville (104.1 FM/540 AM) in the Clarksville area.

Brian Rives, now in his 19th season with the network, returns for his 11th season as the play-by-play voice of the Governors. He is joined on air by Van Stokes, who is in his 25th season as the analyst with the Govs Sports Network.

In addition to over-the-air radio coverage by the Governors Sports Network, Five Star Radio Group provides digital simulcasts of every game free through the TuneIn website and mobile application. The service may be accessed by visiting [www.TuneIn.com](http://www.TuneIn.com).

### AUSTIN PEAY AND ESPN+

All seven home Austin Peay football games, as well as all five road contests, will be available on ESPN+ in 2024. ESPN+ is the multi-sport, direct-to-consumer subscription streaming service from The Walt Disney Company Direct-to-Consumer & International segment and ESPN.

Barry Gresham, who has been the play-by-play voice since 2017, returns for his eighth season. Austin Peay alumnus Ethan Schmidt will join him in the booth for his third season as an analyst on ESPN+.

Fans may subscribe to ESPN+ by visiting [ESPN.com](http://ESPN.com) and clicking on the ESPN+ logo.

### AUSTIN PEAY COACHES SHOW

The Austin Peay athletics department, Five Star Radio Group, and the Hand Family Companies present the weekly Austin Peay Coaches Show featuring football head coach Jeff Faris, 6 p.m., Wednesdays at Buffalo Wild Wings on Wilma Rudolph Boulevard.

Presented weekly, the Austin Peay Coaches Show will feature head football coach Jeff Faris and various players throughout the football season. Fans can join Faris and host Brian Rives each Wednesday at Buffalo Wild Wings, which returns for its seventh season as the host location for the Austin Peay Coaches Show.

The Austin Peay Coaches Show will be broadcast live from Buffalo Wild Wings and will air live on ESPN Clarksville (104.1 FM and 540 AM) and it is simulcast online. If you miss the live airing of the Austin Peay Coaches Show, it will be re-aired each Saturday two hours before kickoff to lead into the Governors Sports Network's pregame show, which begins an hour before kickoff.



# AUSTIN PEAY FOOTBALL

## ALL-TIME AGAINST THE 2024 SCHEDULE

◊ - United Athletic Conference game

◆ - Atlantic Sun Conference game

• - Ohio Valley Conference game

▲ - NCAA FCS Playoff game

(N) - Neutral site game

\* - APSU was credited with a win by forfeit at the conclusion of the season.

### LOUISVILLE

Overall: 0-0 H: 0-0 | A: 0-0

2024 A31 Louisville

### SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

Overall: 2-6 H: 0-3 | A: 2-3

1938 N19 Carbondale W 12-9

1939 N18 Carbondale W 25-6

1957 S21 Clarksville L 12-25

1986 S06 Carbondale L 17-24

1987 S19 Clarksville L 3-10

1991 S14 Clarksville L 17-21

1992 S19 Carbondale L 7-37

2023 S02 Carbondale L 23-49

2024 S07 Clarksville

### CENTRAL ARKANSAS

Overall: 1-4 H: 1-2 | A: 0-1 | N: 0-1

1975 S13 Clarksville L 13-14

2019 S07 Clarksville L 16-24

2020 A29 Montgomery (N) L 17-24

2022 ◆ O01 Conway L 20-49

2023 ◊ N18 Clarksville W 14-12

2024 ◊ S14 Conway

### ALABAMA A&M

Overall: 1-0 H: 0-0 | A: 1-0

2022 S17 Huntsville W 28-3

2024 S21 Clarksville

### SOUTHERN UTAH

Overall: 1-0 H: 0-0 | A: 1-0

2023 ◊ O21 Cedar City W OT2 48-45

S28 ◊ S28 Clarksville

### WEST GEORGIA

Overall: 0-0 H: 0-0 | A: 0-0

2024 ◊ O05 Carrollton

### UTAH TECH

Overall: 1-0 H: 1-0 | A: 0-0

2023 ◊ N11 Clarksville W 30-17

2024 ◊ O19 St. George

### TARLETON STATE

Overall: 0-0 H: 0-0 | A: 0-0

2024 ◊ O26 Clarksville

### NORTH ALABAMA

formerly Florence State

Overall: 8-13 H: 5-6 | A: 3-7

As Florence State

1949 N26 Florence W 27-6

1950 S30 Clarksville W 6-0

1951 S29 Florence L 7-27

1952 S27 Clarksville L 0-9

1953 O03 Florence L 13-14

1954 O02 Clarksville L 7-13

1955 O01 Florence L 7-13

1956 S29 Clarksville W 19-6

1957 N16 Florence L 13-40

1958 N22 Clarksville L 13-20

1959 N14 Florence L 8-22

1960 N12 Clarksville L 34-35

1961 N11 Florence L 8-14

1962 N10 Clarksville L 0-17

As North Alabama

1974 O19 Clarksville W 20-14

1975 O18 Florence L 6-23

1976 O16 Clarksville W 21-14

1977 O15 Florence W 13-6

1978 O14 Clarksville L 6-10

2022 ◆ N05 Florence W 38-35

2023 ◊ O28 Clarksville W 49-39

2024 ◊ N02 Florence

### ABILENE CHRISTIAN

Overall: 0-0 H: 0-0 | A: 0-0

2024 ◊ N09 Clarksville

### EASTERN KENTUCKY

Overall: 8-47 H: 4-22 | A: 4-25

1959 O23 Richmond L 7-21

1960 O22 Clarksville L 13-27

1961 O21 Richmond L 7-21

1962 O20 Clarksville L 7-14

1963 • S21 Richmond L 0-14

1964 • S19 Clarksville W 26-0

1965 • S18 Richmond \* L 30-35

1966 • S17 Clarksville L 15-33

1967 • S29 Richmond L 0-37

1968 • O05 Clarksville L 20-21

1969 • O04 Richmond L 10-29

1970 • O03 Clarksville L 7-38

1971 • O02 Richmond L 9-14

1972 • S30 Clarksville L 6-21

1973 • S29 Richmond L 7-24

1974 • O05 Clarksville L 9-22

1975 • O04 Richmond L 0-49

1976 • O02 Clarksville L 13-27

1977 • O01 Richmond W 20-17

1978 • S30 Clarksville L 0-14

1979 • S29 Richmond L 10-35

1980 • O04 Clarksville L 10-23

1981 • O03 Richmond L 14-41

1982 • O02 Clarksville L 18-27

1983 • O01 Richmond L 14-31

1984 • S29 Clarksville L 3-20

1985 • O05 Richmond L 10-20

1986 • N01 Clarksville L 17-27

1987 • O31 Richmond L 7-50

1988 • O08 Clarksville L 10-56

1989 • O07 Richmond L 20-45

1990 • N03 Clarksville L 14-38

1991 • N16 Richmond L 0-21

1992 • N14 Clarksville L 14-45

1993 • S25 Richmond L 7-48

1994 • S24 Clarksville L 14-27

1995 • N11 Richmond L 0-28

1996 • N16 Clarksville L 10-24

1997 S27 Richmond L 3-56

2007 • N10 Clarksville L 14-28

2008 • S27 Richmond L OT 10-13

2009 • O24 Clarksville W 24-20

2010 • N20 Richmond L 3-17

2011 • S24 Clarksville W 23-17

2012 • O13 Richmond L 14-45

2013 • O05 Richmond L 3-38

2014 • O04 Clarksville L 0-31

2015 • S26 Richmond L 13-51

2016 • N12 Clarksville L 30-67

2017 • N11 Richmond W 31-24

2018 • N03 Clarksville L 13-17

2019 • N02 Richmond W OT 28-21

2021 S25 Richmond L 27-35

2022 ◆ S24 Clarksville W 31-20

2023 ◊ N04 Richmond W OT 33-30

2024 ◊ N16 Clarksville

### CHATTANOOGA

Overall: 1-7 H: 0-3 | A: 1-4

1958 O10 Chattanooga L 0-26

1966 N24 Chattanooga L 17-27

1967 S16 Chattanooga L 8-23

1968 S21 Clarksville L 13-41

2013 S14 Chattanooga L 10-42

2014 S13 Clarksville L 6-42

2021 S02 Chattanooga W 30-20

2023 ▲ N25 Clarksville L 21-24

224 N23 Clarksville

# AUSTIN PEAY FOOTBALL

## UNITED ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

### 2023 UAC STANDINGS

Standings	UAC	Pct.	PF	PA	ALL	Pct.	PF	PA	H	A	N	STR
<b>Austin Peay</b>	<b>6-0</b>	<b>1.000</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>9-3</b>	<b>.750</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>5-1</b>	<b>4-2</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>L1</b>
Tarleton State	4-2	.667	228	169	8-3	.727	366	270	4-1	4-2	0-0	W4
Central Arkansas	4-2	.667	170	121	7-4	.636	346	253	5-1	2-3	0-0	L1
Southern Utah	4-2	.667	220	150	6-5	.545	350	261	3-2	3-3	0-0	W4
Eastern Kentucky	4-2	.667	197	171	5-6	.455	324	365	3-2	2-4	0-0	W1
Abilene Christian	3-3	.500	149	182	5-6	.455	286	319	3-2	2-4	0-0	L2
North Alabama	1-5	.167	150	220	3-8	.273	252	366	2-3	1-4	0-1	L3
Utah Tech	1-5	.167	137	174	2-9	.182	254	416	1-3	1-6	0-0	L5
Stephen F. Austin	0-6	.000	136	233	3-8	.273	322	349	2-3	1-5	0-0	L6

### WEEK 1 SCHEDULE

#### Thursday, Aug. 29

Southern Utah at Utah, 8 p.m.

#### Saturday, Aug. 31

Austin Peay at Louisville, 11 a.m.

Eastern Kentucky at Mississippi State, 5 p.m.

Central Arkansas at Arkansas State, 6 p.m.

North Alabama at Memphis, 6 p.m.

Tarleton State at Baylor, 6 p.m.

Abilene Christian at Texas Tech, 6:30 p.m.

Montana State at Utah Tech, 9 p.m.

### 2024 UAC SCHEDULE

	ACU	APSU	UCA	EKU	UNA	SUU	TSU	UTU	UWG
<b>Abilene Christian</b>		Nov. 9	Oct. 5	Oct. 19	Oct. 12	Nov. 2	Nov. 16	Sept. 28	Sept. 7
<b>Austin Peay</b>	Nov. 9		Sept. 14	Nov. 16	Nov. 2	Sept. 28	Oct. 26	Oct. 19	Oct. 5
<b>Central Arkansas</b>	Oct. 5	Sept. 14		Nov. 9	Oct. 26	Nov. 16	Nov. 23	Nov. 2	Oct. 12
<b>Eastern Kentucky</b>	Oct. 19	Nov. 16	Nov. 9		Nov. 23	Oct. 12	Nov. 2	Oct. 26	Sept. 14
<b>North Alabama</b>	Oct. 12	Nov. 2	Oct. 26	Nov. 23		Nov. 9	Sept. 21	Oct. 5	Sept. 28
<b>Southern Utah</b>	Nov. 2	Sept. 28	Nov. 16	Oct. 12	Nov. 9		Oct. 5	Nov. 23	Oct. 26
<b>Tarleton State</b>	Nov. 16	Oct. 26	Nov. 23	Nov. 2	Sept. 21	Oct. 5		Oct. 12	Nov. 9
<b>Utah Tech</b>	Sept. 28	Oct. 19	Nov. 2	Oct. 26	Oct. 5	Nov. 23	Oct. 12		Nov. 16
<b>West Georgia</b>	Sept. 7	Oct. 5	Oct. 12	Sept. 14	Sept. 28	Oct. 26	Nov. 9	Nov. 16	

### UAC IN THE MASSEY RATINGS

Rating	Team	W-L	Change	Power	Offense	Defense	SOS (played)	SOS (future)
<b>19.</b>	<b>Austin Peay</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>33</b>
24.	Central Arkansas	0-0	--	25	28	30	--	70
35.	Southern Utah	0-0	--	34	32	36	--	25
36.	Eastern Kentucky	0-0	--	36	20	38	--	41
45.	Tarleton State	1-0	+1	51	45	51	7	51
46.	Abilene Christian	0-0	--	46	46	38	--	30
64.	Utah Tech	0-0	--	63	56	82	--	23
77.	North Alabama	0-1	-14	67	62	84	3	24
104.	West Georgia	0-0	--	103	81	112	--	88

### UAC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Date	Offensive	Defensive	Special Teams	Freshman
A26	Kayvon Britten, Tarleton St.	Kasyus Kurns, Tarleton St. Gregory Reddick, North Alabama	Adrian Guzman, Tarleton St.	Jalen Fletcher, North Alabama
S02				
S09				
S16				
S23				
S30				
O07				
O14				
O21				
O28				
N04				
N11				
N18				
N25				

# AUSTIN PEAY FOOTBALL

## UNITED ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

### UAC PRESEASON COACHES POLL

Rank	Team (1st)	Points
1.	Eastern Kentucky (2)	71
1.	Central Arkansas (5)	77
2.	Tarleton State (3)	74
3.	Southern Utah	54
4.	Eastern Kentucky	53
5.	<b>Austin Peay (1)</b>	<b>46</b>
6.	Abilene Christian	43
7.	North Alabama	26
8.	Utah Tech	19
9.	West Georgia	13

### STATS PERFORM PRESEASON POLL

Rank	Team
1.	Central Arkansas
2.	Tarleton State
3.	<b>Austin Peay</b>
4.	Eastern Kentucky
5.	Abilene Christian
6.	Southern Utah
7.	North Alabama
8.	Utah Tech
9.	West Georgia

### PRESEASON PLAYERS OF THE YEAR

Offensive
Kayvon Britten, Tarleton State
Defensive
Edwin White Schultz, North Alabama

### PRESEASON ALL-UAC OFFENSE

Offense
QB *Will McElvain, Central Arkansas
RB *ShunDerrick Powell, Central Arkansas
RB *Kayvon Britten, Tarleton State
WR *Takairee Kenebrew, North Alabama
WR *Darius Cooper, Tarleton State
TE Hunter Brown, Eastern Kentucky
OL Alan Hatten, Abilene Christian
<b>OL Chandler Kirton, Austin Peay</b>
OL Will Diggins, Central Arkansas
OL Payton Collins, Eastern Kentucky
C Tuli Teuhema, Tarleton State

### PRESEASON ALL-UAC DEFENSE

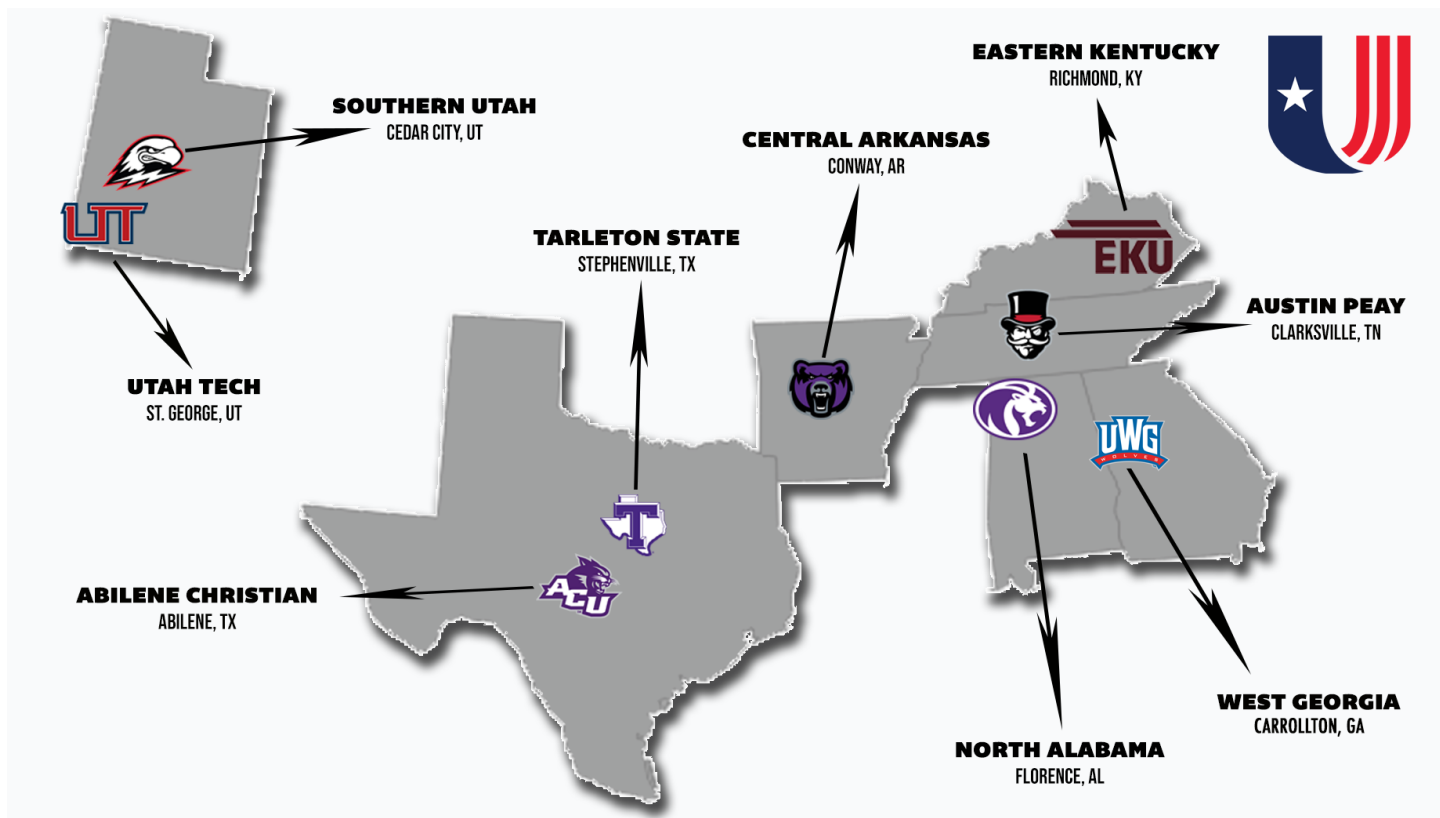
Defense
<b>DL Hosea Knifely, Jr., Austin Peay</b>
DL *David Walker, Central Arkansas
DL Rylen Sua-Filo, Southern Utah
DL Brandon Tolvert, Tarleton State
LB Cirby Coheley, Abilene Christian
LB Darius Moore, Abilene Christian
LB Demetrias Charles, Central Arkansas
LB Kohner Cullimore, Southern Utah
DB Elijah Moffett, Abilene Christian
DB TaMuarion Wilson, Central Arkansas
DB Mike Smith, Jr., Eastern Kentucky
DB Edwin White Schultz, North Alabama

### PRESEASON ALL-UAC SPECIAL TEAMS

Special Teams
K Patrick Nations, Eastern Kentucky
P Grant Nickel, Abilene Christian
RS *Deangelo Rosemond, Tarleton State
LS Ryan Kean, Utah Tech

\* - Denotes unanimous selection

Note: Ties in voting resulted in 12-member Defensive Team.



### KNOW YOUR FOE... FINDING UAC OPPONENT INFORMATION

School	SID	Website	Football Twitter	Radio Crew
Abilene Christian	Evan Nemec	ACUSports.com	@ACUFootball	Grant Boone, Jim Reese
Austin Peay	Casey Crigger	LetsGoPeay.com	@GovsFB	Brian Rives, Van Stokes
Central Arkansas	Steve East	UCASports.com	@UCA_Football	Justin Aciri, Chris Kane, Steve Owens
Eastern Kentucky	Isaac Ray	EKUSports.com	@EKUFootball	Greg Stotelmeyer, Jim Tirey, Wes Chandler
North Alabama	Mike Ezekiel	RoarLions.com	@UNAFootball	Jordan Campbell, Jacob Tucker
Southern Utah	Regan Hunsaker	SUUTBirds.com	@SUUFB_	Spencer McLaughlin, Ryan Steineckert
Tarleton State	Jake Withee	TarletonSports.com	@TarletonFB	Byron Anderson, Kyle Masters, Keltin Wiens
Utah Tech	Steve Johnson	UtahTechTrailblazers.com	@UtahTechFB	Rod Zundel, Max Christensen III
West Georgia	Jared Boggus	UWG Athletics.com	@UWGFootball	Seth Cain, Nick White, Matt Skinner



# AUSTIN PEAY FOOTBALL

## ACROSS THE COUNTRY

### AFCA FCS COACHES POLL

Rank	Team (1st)	W-L	Points	Previous
1.	South Dakota St. (25)	15-0	649	
2.	North Dakota St.	11-4	614	
3.	Montana	13-2	576	
4.	Montana State	8-4	518	
5.	South Dakota	10-3	512	
6.	Villanova	10-3	502	
7.	Idaho	9-4	473	
8.	Chattanooga	8-5	403	
9.	Furman	10-3	392	
10.	Sacramento State	8-5	382	
11.	Southern Illinois	8-5	370	
12.	Richmond	9-4	353	
13.	<b>Central Arkansas</b>	<b>7-4</b>	<b>339</b>	
14.	Albany	11-4	275	
15.	Incarnate Word	9-2	259	
16.	William & Mary	6-5	196	
17.	UC Davis	7-4	164	
18.	Lafayette	9-3	157	
19.	Western Carolina	7-4	144	
20.	Illinois State	6-5	143	
21.	<b>Tarleton State</b>	<b>8-3</b>	<b>137</b>	
22.	North Dakota	7-5	131	
23.	Youngstown State	8-5	97	
24.	Nicholls State	6-5	91	
25.	Florida A&M (1)	12-1	71	

**Receiving Votes:** Elon (174), UT Martin (169), Eastern Illinois (139), Mercer (98), Florida A&M (65), North Carolina Central (52), **Austin Peay (51)**, Alabama State (17), Holy Cross (17), Eastern Washington (14), Duquesne (8), Drake (8), Samford (6), Harvard (6), Northern Iowa (4).

### STATS PERFORM MEDIA POLL

Rank	Team (1st)	W-L	Points	Previous
1.	South Dakota State (52)	15-0	1396	
2.	North Dakota State (3)	11-4	1327	
3.	Montana	13-2	1285	
4.	Montana State (1)	8-4	1199	
5.	South Dakota	10-3	1155	
6.	Villanova	10-3	1151	
7.	Idaho	9-4	1021	
8.	Sacramento State	8-5	874	
9.	Chattanooga	8-5	868	
10.	Southern Illinois	8-5	832	
11.	<b>Central Arkansas</b>	<b>7-4</b>	<b>724</b>	
12.	Furman	10-3	678	
13.	Richmond	9-4	625	
14.	Incarnate Word	8-2	605	
15.	William & Mary	6-5	546	
16.	Albany	11-4	527	
17.	Lafayette	9-3	359	
18.	UC Davis	7-4	351	
19.	Illinois State	6-5	350	
20.	Western Carolina	7-4	318	
21.	<b>Tarleton State</b>	<b>8-3</b>	<b>302</b>	
22.	Weber State	6-5	268	
23.	Nicholls State	6-5	201	
24.	North Dakota	7-5	197	
25.	Youngstown State	8-5	177	

**Receiving Votes:** Weber State, 66; North Carolina Central, 53; Eastern Illinois, 50; UT Martin, 38; **Austin Peay, 35**; Northern Iowa, 33; Harvard, 32; Yale, 31; Mercer, 27; Holy Cross, 20; Howard, 20; Alabama State, 17; Northern Arizona, 17; Elon, 16; Alcorn State, 9; Duquesne, 7; North Carolina A&T, 6; Fordham, 5; Gardner-Webb, 4; Indiana State, 3; Missouri State, 3; Butler, 2; **Eastern Kentucky, 2**; Southeast Missouri State, 2; Eastern Washington, 1; Murray State, 1; Samford, 1; Utah Tech, 1.

### #FEARTHEFCS

In 2024, there are 117 games between FCS and FBS teams, with the Govs taking on Louisville in Week 1 among that group. Last season, it took until Week 2 for the FCS to pick up its first win over the FBS, with three upsets landing on the same day, Sept. 9. This year, Montana State wasted no time getting the first of the 2024 season when it scored 21 unanswered in the fourth quarter to beat New Mexico, 35-31, in Week 0.

#### 2024 FCS wins vs. FBS teams:

- Montana State 35, New Mexico 31 (Aug. 24)

#### 2023 FCS wins vs. FBS teams:

- Southern Illinois 14, Northern Illinois 11 (Sept. 9)
- Fordham 40, Buffalo 37 (Sept. 9)
- Idaho 33, Nevada 6 (Sept. 9)
- Sacramento State 30, Stanford 23 (Sept. 16)

### STATS PERFORM FCS NATIONAL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Date	Offensive	Defensive	Special Teams	Freshman
S02				
S09				
S16				
S23				
S30				
O07				
O14				
O21				
O28				
N04				
N11				
N18				
N25				

# AUSTIN PEAY FOOTBALL

## GOVS IN THE POLLS

### GOVS AS A TOP 25 TEAM

Below is the comprehensive list of games the Governors have played while ranked in national poll.

#### ASSOCIATED PRESS I-AA COACHES POLL ERA

Date	Opponent	Location	APSU	Opp	Res	Score	OT
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1978

S23	• Western Kentucky	Bowling Green	10		L	13-17	
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1979

S22	• Western Kentucky	Clarksville	8		L	20-24	
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#### STATS FCS POLL/AFCA FCS COACHES POLL ERA

Date	Opponent	Location	APSU	Opp	Res	Score	OT
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2018

S01	Georgia	Athens	22/23	3/4	L	0-45	
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S08	Presbyterian	Clarksville	-/24		W	24-0	
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S15	Morehead State	Morehead	-/23		W	78-40	
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S22	• UT Martin	Martin	24/21		L	7-37	
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2019

O19	• Tennessee State	Nashville	20/19		L	24-26	
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O26	• Tennessee Tech	Cookeville	20/19		W	58-21	
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N02	• Eastern Kentucky	Richmond	-/25		W	28-21	
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N09	• UT Martin	Clarksville	-/24		W	38-24	
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N16	• Murray State	Murray	22/22		W	42-7	
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N23	• Eastern Illinois	Clarksville	20/19		W	35-7	
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N30	▲ Furman	Clarksville	18/17	16/16	W	42-6	
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D07	▲ Sacramento State	Sacramento	18/17	3/3	W	42-28	
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D14	▲ Montana State	Bozeman	18/17	5/5	L	10-24	
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2020-21

A29	Central Arkansas	Montgomery	13/13	11/11	L	17-24	
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S12	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	13/13	-/RV	L	0-55	
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S19	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	13/13	13/14	L	20-55	
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F21	• Tennessee Tech	Cookeville	13/13		L	21-27	
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2021

S02	Chattanooga	Chattanooga	20/25	18/18	W	30-20	
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S11	Mississippi	Oxford	17/18	RV/20	L	17-54	
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S18	Morehead State	Clarksville	19/21		W	59-35	
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S25	Eastern Kentucky	Richmond	19/20		L	27-35	
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2022

S24	♦ Eastern Kentucky	Clarksville	RV/23	16/20	W	31-20	
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O01	♦ Central Arkansas	Conway	23/16		L	20-49	
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O15	Murray State	Clarksville	24/24		W	52-17	
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O29	♦ Jacksonville State	Clarksville	25/21		L	16-40	
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2023

O21	◇ Southern Utah	Cedar City	24/24		W	48-45	OT2
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O28	◇ North Alabama	Clarksville	20/20		W	49-39	
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N04	◇ Eastern Kentucky	Richmond	19/17		W	33-30	OT
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N11	◇ Utah Tech	Clarksville	20/14		W	30-17	
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N18	◇ Central Arkansas	Clarksville	15/12	RV/20	W	14-12	
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N25	▲ Chattanooga	Clarksville	13/10	18/19	L	21-24	
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◇ - United Athletic Conference | ▲ - FCS Playoffs

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### GOVS VS. THE FBS

Austin Peay has played 31 games against FBS teams in program history. The Governors lone win against the upper echelon came in 1987 when they upset Kansas State in Manhattan, Kansas.

Year	Date	Opponent	Location	AP#	Opp#	Res	Score
1985	S07	Cincinnati	Cincinnati			L	9-31
1987	S05	Kansas State	Manhattan			W	26-22
1987	N14	Cincinnati	Cincinnati			L	10-42
1988	O15	Toledo	Toledo			L	14-38
1993	S04	Cincinnati	Cincinnati			L	10-42
1996	S07	Arkansas State	Jonesboro			L	0-24
2002	O05	Troy	Troy			L	3-41
2010	S11	Middle Tennessee	Murfreesboro			L	33-56
2010	S25	Wisconsin	Madison		11/10	L	3-70
2011	S03	Cincinnati	Cincinnati			L	10-72
2011	S17	Memphis	Memphis			L	6-27
2012	S01	Western Kentucky	Bowling Green			L	10-49
2012	S08	Virginia Tech	Blacksburg		15/18	L	7-42
2013	A31	Tennessee	Knoxville			L	0-45
2013	S07	Vanderbilt	Nashville			L	3-38
2013	S21	Ohio	Athens			L	0-38
2014	A30	Memphis	Memphis			L	0-63
2015	S12	Southern Miss	Hattiesburg			L	6-52
2015	S19	Vanderbilt	Nashville			L	7-47
2016	S03	Troy	Troy			L	17-57
2016	N19	Kentucky	Lexington			L	13-49
2017	A31	Cincinnati	Cincinnati			L	14-26
2017	S09	Miami (Ohio)	Oxford			L	10-31
2017	O28	Central Florida	Orlando		18/17	L	33-73
2018	S01	Georgia	Athens	22/23	3/4	L	0-45
2020	S12	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	13/13	-/RV	L	0-55
2020	S19	Cincinnati	Cincinnati	13/13	13/14	L	20-55
2021	S11	Mississippi	Oxford	17/18	RV/20	L	17-54
2022	A27	Western Kentucky	Bowling Green			L	27-38
2022	N19	Alabama	Tuscaloosa		8/8	L	0-34
2023	S09	Tennessee	Knoxville		9/9	L	13-30
2024	A31	Louisville	Louisville				



## THE LAST TIME A GOVERNOR...

**Had 40 carries:** Jay Bailey (47) at Kentucky Wesleyan, 10/19/02  
**Had 30 carries:** Jevon Jackson (38) vs. Utah Tech, 11/11/23  
**Rushed for 200 yards:** Brian Snead (227) vs. Tennessee State, 2/28/21  
**Rushed for 150 yards:** Jevon Jackson (185) vs. Chattanooga, 11/25/23  
**Rushed for 100 yards:** Jevon Jackson (185) vs. Chattanooga, 11/25/23  
**Rushed for 100 yards in consecutive games:** Jevon Jackson (3) vs. North Alabama (160), 10/28/2; at Eastern Kentucky (120), 11/4/23; vs. Utah Tech (192), 11/11/23  
**Rushed 90 yards for a TD:** Jay Bailey (99) at Valparaiso, 9/23/00  
**Rushed 80 yards for a TD:** Otis Gerron (89) vs. Mercer, 10/11/14  
**Rushed 70 yards for a TD:** Brian Snead (75) vs. Tennessee State, 2/28/21  
**Rushed for 5 TDs:** Daniel Williams (5) vs. UT Martin, 11/23/96  
**Rushed for 4 TDs:** JaVaughn Craig (4) vs. Morehead State, 9/16/17  
**Rushed for 3 TDs:** Mike DiLiello (3) vs. Eastern Kentucky, 9/24/22  
**Two Govs rushed for 100 yards in the same game:** Jevon Jackson (167) & CJ Evans Jr. (104) vs. Presbyterian, 9/3/22  
**Two Govs rushed for multiple TDs in the same game:** Jevon Jackson (2) & Mike DiLiello (2) at Southern Utah, 10/21/23  
**QB rushed for 100 yards:** Mike DiLiello (181) vs. Eastern Kentucky, 9/24/22  
**Attempted 50 passes:** Draylen Ellis (53) vs. Southeast Mo., 10/9/21  
**Attempted 40 passes:** Mike DiLiello (41) vs. Gardner-Webb, 10/14/23  
**Attempted 30 passes:** Mike DiLiello (31) at Southern Utah, 10/21/23  
**Completed 40 passes:** Jake Ryan (40) at Jacksonville St., 11/10/12  
**Completed 30 passes:** Mike DiLiello (31) vs. Gardner-Webb, 10/14/23  
**Completed 20 passes:** Mike DiLiello (20) vs. North Alabama, 10/28/23  
**Completed 80% of passes:** Mike DiLiello (80.0) vs. North Alabama, 10/28/23  
**Completed 70% of passes:** Mike DiLiello (73.1) vs. Central Arkansas, 11/18/23  
**Passed for 400 yards:** Mike DiLiello (441) vs. ETSU, 9/16/23  
**Passed for 300 yards:** Mike DiLiello (310) at Eastern Kentucky, 11/4/23  
**Passed for 6 TDs:** Mike DiLiello (6) vs. North Alabama, 10/28/23  
**Passed for 5 TDs:** Mike DiLiello (6) vs. North Alabama, 10/28/23  
**Passed for 4 TDs:** Mike DiLiello (4) at Eastern Kentucky, 11/4/23  
**Had a 90-yard completion:** Jesse Kellogg (91) vs. Campbellsville, 9/6/03  
**Had a 80-yard completion:** Mike DiLiello (87) vs. North Alabama, 10/28/23  
**Had a 70-yard completion:** Mike DiLiello (87) vs. North Alabama, 10/28/23  
**Had a 60-yard completion:** Mike DiLiello (87, 69) vs. North Alabama, 10/28/23  
**Had a 50-yard completion:** Mike DiLiello (52) vs. Utah Tech, 11/11/23  
**Had 200 receiving yards:** Kam Thomas (204) at Eastern Kentucky, 11/4/23  
**Had 150 receiving yards:** Kam Thomas (204) at Eastern Kentucky, 11/4/23  
**Had 100 receiving yards:** Tre Shackelford (125) vs. Utah Tech, 11/11/23  
**Had 4 TD receptions:** Drae McCray (4) vs. Tennessee Tech, 11/20/21  
**Had 3 TD receptions:** Drae McCray (4) vs. Tennessee Tech, 11/20/21  
**Had 2 TD receptions:** Kam Thomas (2) at Eastern Kentucky, 11/4/23  
**Caught a 90-yard pass:** Paul Derrick (91) vs. Campbellsville, 9/6/03  
**Caught a 80-yard pass:** Trey Goodman (87) vs. North Alabama, 10/28/23  
**Caught a 70-yard pass:** Trey Goodman (87) vs. North Alabama, 10/28/23  
**Caught a 60-yard pass:** Trey Goodman (87), Tre Shackelford (69) vs. North Alabama, 10/28/23  
**Caught a 50-yard pass:** Tre Shackelford (52) vs. Utah Tech, 11/11/23  
**Caught 10 passes:** Kam Thomas (10) at Eastern Kentucky, 11/4/23  
**Two Govs had 100 receiving yards in the same game:** Tre Shackelford (126) & Trey Goodman (101) vs. Gardner-Webb, 10/14/23  
**Scored 30 points:** Daniel Williams (30) vs. UT Martin, 11/23/96  
**Scored 5 TDs:** Daniel Williams (5) vs. UT Martin, 11/23/96  
**Scored 4 TDs:** Drae McCray (4) vs. Tennessee Tech, 11/20/21  
**Scored 3 TDs:** Mike DiLiello (3) vs. Eastern Kentucky, 9/24/22  
**Last 2-point conversion:** Trey Goodman to Ethan Myers (pass) vs. North Alabama, 10/28/23  
**Player ran for and caught a TD in the same game:** Baniko Harley (2 rush, 1 rec.) at Sacramento St., 12/7/19  
**Gained 400 total offensive yards:** Mike DiLiello (441) vs. ETSU, 9/16/23  
**Gained 200 all-purpose yards:** Kam Thomas (230) at Eastern Kentucky, 11/4/23  
**Govs had a 100-yard rusher and 100-yard receiver in the same game:** Jevon Jackson (192) & Tre Shackelford (125) vs. Utah Tech, 11/11/23

**Had 19 or more tackles in a game:** Johnathan Shuler (19) vs. Southeast Mo., 10/27/12  
**Had 15 tackles in a game:** Tyler Long (17) at Southern Utah, 10/21/23  
**Multiple Govs had 10 tackles:** Xavier Smith (13), Sam Howard (12), & Tyler Long (11) vs. Chattanooga, 11/25/23  
**Had 3.0 sacks in a game:** Joe Bell (3.0) vs. Campbellsville, 9/06/03  
**Had 4.0 tackles for loss:** Antoine Williams (4.0) vs. Murray State, 10/15/22  
**Forced 2 fumbles:** John Wesley Whiteside (2) at Jacksonville State, 3/28/21  
**Returned a fumble for a TD:** Garrett Hawkins (5 yds) vs. ETSU, 9/16/23  
**Returned a fumble 50 yards:** Antoine Williams (60) at Alabama A&M, 9/17/22  
**Returned an interception for a TD:** Kory Chapman vs. Gardner-Webb, 10/14/23  
**Returned two interceptions for a TD:** Kordell Jackson at Mercer, 9/14/19  
**Returned an interception 80 yards:** Ryan Taylor (88) at Valparaiso, 9/11/04  
**Had 4 interceptions:** Taylon Jenkins at Georgetown, 11/14/98  
**Had 3 interceptions:** Johnathon Edwards vs. Eastern Illinois, 11/6/21  
**Had 2 interceptions:** Cedarius Doss at Stephen F. Austin, 9/23/23  
**Two Govs had multiple interceptions in the same game:** Johnathon Edwards (3) and Shamari Simmons (2) vs. Eastern Illinois, 11/6/21  
**Made a 55-yard field goal:** Maddux Trujillo (55) vs. Jacksonville St., 10/29/22  
**Made a 50-yard field goal:** Maddux Trujillo (55) vs. Jacksonville St., 10/29/22  
**Made a 45-yard field goal:** Maddux Trujillo (45) vs. North Alabama, 10/28/23  
**Made a 40-yard field goal:** Maddux Trujillo (42) vs. Utah Tech, 11/11/23  
**Scored 12 points by kicking:** Maddux Trujillo (12) vs. Utah Tech, 11/11/23  
**Made 5 kicking PATs:** Maddux Trujillo (5) vs. North Alabama, 10/28/23  
**Made 4 field goals:** Stephen Stansell (4) vs. Tenn. St., 9/18/10  
**Made 3 field goals:** Maddux Trujillo (3) vs. Utah Tech, 11/11/23  
**Attempted 4 field goals:** Maddux Trujillo (4) at Tenn. St., 11/13/21  
**Had a 60-yard punt:** Riley Stepehen (83) at Eastern Kentucky, 11/4/23  
**Punted 10 times:** Matthew Rigney (10) vs. Tenn. State, 2/28/21  
**Averaged 45 yards per punt:** Riley Stephens (48.2) vs. North Alabama, 10/28/23  
**Returned 5 punts:** Tyler Clendenen (5) vs. Culver-Stockton, 11/3/12  
**Totaled 100 punt return yards:** Kam Thomas (123) vs. ETSU, 9/16/23  
**Totaled 60 punt return yards:** Kam Thomas (82) at Southern Utah, 10/21/23  
**Had a 40-yard punt return:** Kam Thomas (82) at Southern Utah, 10/21/23  
**Returned a punt for a TD:** Kam Thomas (82) at Southern Utah, 10/21/23  
**Returned a kickoff for a TD:** Kam Thomas (94) vs. Murray State, 10/15/22  
**Had a 90-yard kickoff return:** Kam Thomas (94) vs. Murray State, 10/15/22  
**Had 6 kickoff returns:** Kyran Moore (8) at UCF, 10/28/17  
**Total 200 kickoff return yards:** Kyran Moore (223) at UCF, 10/28/17  
**Total 150 kickoff return yards:** Kyran Moore (223) at UCF, 10/28/17  
**Blocked a PAT kick:** Travis Bates at Eastern Kentucky, 11/4/23  
**Intercepted a 2-pt. conversion pass:** N/A  
**Scored a defensive two-point conversion:** Demarion Allen vs. Tenn. St., 11/5/16  
**Blocked a field goal:** Gunnar Scholato vs. Morehead St., 9/16/17  
**Returned a blocked field goal for a TD:** Kevis Buckley (67) at Southeast Mo., 11/3/07  
**Blocked a punt:** Jaheim Ward at Lindenwood, 9/30/23  
**Returned a blocked punt for a TD:** Drae McCray (39 yds) at Tenn. St., 11/13/21  
**Recovered own on-side kick:** Kordell Jackson at Tenn. Tech, 2/21/21  
**Non-QB completed a pass:** Trey Goodman (54 yds) at Southern Utah, 10/21/23  
**Non-QB threw a TD:** Trey Goodman to Tre Shackelford (54 yds) at Southern Utah, 10/21/23  
**Offensive lineman scored a TD:** Ryan Rockensuess at UCF, 10/28/17



## THE LAST TIME THE GOVERNORS...

**Won an OT game:** at Eastern Kentucky (33-30), 11/4/23  
**Won a 2OT game:** at Southern Utah (48-45), 10/21/23  
**Lost an OT game:** at Eastern Kentucky (10-13), 9/27/08  
**Lost a 2OT game:** vs. Jacksonville (21-28), 10/2/99  
**Lost a 3OT game:** vs. Murray State (24-31), 11/17/90

**Beat Ranked FCS Opponent:** vs. RV/#20 Central Arkansas (14-12), 11/18/23  
**Beat an FBS Opponent:** at Kansas State (26-22), 9/5/87

**Were shutout:** at Alabama (34-0), 11/19/22  
**Did not score an offensive TD:** at Alabama (34-0), 11/19/22  
**Committed no turnovers:** at Eastern Kentucky, 11/4/23  
**Did not allow a sack:** vs. Gardner-Webb, 10/14/23

**Scored 28 points in a quarter:** at Lindenwood (1st, 28), 9/30/23  
**Scored 50 points:** at Lindenwood (52), 9/30/23  
**Scored 60 points:** vs. ETSU (63), 9/16/23  
**Scored 70 points:** at Morehead State (78), 9/15/18

**Rushed for 400 yards:** at Morehead St. (518), 9/15/18  
**Rushed for 300 yards:** vs. Eastern Kentucky (322), 9/24/22  
**Rushed 70 times:** Tennessee-Martin (71), 11/23/96  
**Rushed 60 times:** vs. Eastern Illinois (66), 11/18/17  
**Rushed 50 times:** vs. Utah Tech (55), 11/11/23  
**Rushed 40 times:** vs. Utah Tech (55), 11/11/23  
**Rushed for 6 TDs:** vs. Tennessee State (6), 10/6/18  
**Rushed for 5 TDs:** at Murray State (5), 10/23/21  
**Rushed for 4 TDs:** at Southern Utah (4), 10/21/23  
**Failed to rush for 100 yards:** vs. Central Arkansas (55), 11/18/23

**Attempted 50 passes:** vs. Southeast Mo. (53), 10/9/21  
**Completed 40 passes:** at Jacksonville St. (40), 11/10/12  
**Completed 30 passes:** vs. Gardner-Webb (31), 10/14/23  
**Completed 80 percent of its passes:** vs. ETSU (80.4), 9/16/23  
**Completed 60 percent of its passes:** vs. Central Arkansas (73.1), 11/18/23  
**Passed for 400 yards:** at Lindenwood (420), 9/30/23  
**Passed for 300 yards:** at Eastern Kentucky (310), 11/4/23  
**Threw 6 TD passes:** vs. North Alabama (6), 10/28/23  
**Threw 5 TD passes:** vs. North Alabama (6), 10/28/23  
**Threw 4 TD passes:** at Eastern Kentucky (4), 11/4/23  
**Failed to pass for 100 yards:** at Stephen F. Austin (81), 9/23/23

**Had 90 offensive plays:** vs. Presbyterian (93), 9/3/22  
**Had 80 offensive plays:** vs. Utah Tech (82), 11/11/23  
**Had 600 offensive yards:** at Lindenwood (690), 9/30/23  
**Had 500 offensive yards:** vs. North Alabama (520), 10/28/23  
**Had 400 offensive yards:** vs. Utah Tech (494), 11/11/23  
**Scored 9 offensive TDs:** vs. Presbyterian (9), 9/3/22  
**Scored 8 offensive TDs:** vs. Presbyterian (9), 9/3/22  
**Scored 7 offensive TDs:** at Lindenwood (7), 9/30/23  
**Scored 6 offensive TDs:** vs. North Alabama (6), 10/28/23

**Shutout an opponent:** vs. Miss. Valley St. (41-0), 9/10/22  
**Held an opponent without a TD:** vs. ETSU, 9/16/23  
**Did not force a turnover:** at Eastern Kentucky, 11/4/23  
**Did not record a sack:** vs. Chattanooga, 11/25/23

**Intercepted 6 passes:** vs. Eastern Illinois (6), 11/6/21  
**Intercepted 5 passes:** vs. Eastern Illinois (6), 11/6/21  
**Intercepted 4 passes:** vs. Eastern Illinois (6), 11/6/21  
**Intercepted 3 passes:** at Lindenwood (3), 9/30/23  
**Returned an interception for a TD:** vs. Gardner-Webb, 10/14/23  
**Returned two interceptions for TDs:** at UT Martin, 10/30/21

**Forced 4 fumbles:** Ohio (4), 9/21/13  
**Recovered 4 fumbles:** Tennessee State (4), 10/6/18

**Had 7 sacks:** at Tennessee Tech (7), 2/21/21  
**Had 6 sacks:** at Tennessee Tech (7), 2/21/21  
**Had 5 sacks:** at Alabama A&M (5), 9/17/22  
**Had 20 tackles for loss:** at Valparaiso (20.0), 9/23/00  
**Had 15 tackles for loss:** at Tennessee Tech (16.0), 2/21/21  
**Had 10 tackles for loss:** at North Alabama (11), 11/5/22

**Held opponent to fewer than 0 rush yards:** vs. UT Martin (-25), 11/9/19  
**Held opponent to under 100 rush yards:** vs. Utah Tech (67), 11/11/23  
**Held opponent to under 100 passing yards:** vs. ETSU (77), 9/16/23

**Had 100 yards in penalties:** vs. Murray State (105), 10/15/22  
**Scored a safety:** at Stephen F. Austin, 9/23/23

**Returned 7 punts:** at Campbellsville (7), 9/4/04  
**Had 70 yards in punt returns:** at Southern Utah (82), 10/21/23

**Returned 10 kickoffs:** at UCF (10), 10/28/17  
**Had 200 yards in kick returns:** at UCF (238), 10/28/17

**Blocked a punt:** at Lindenwood, 9/30/23  
**Blocked three punts:** Southeast Missouri (3), 11/22/08

# AUSTIN PEAY FOOTBALL

## GOVERNORS ROSTERS

### NUMERICAL

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown / High School / Previous School
0	O'Shaan Allison	RB	5-9	210	Gr.	Norristown, Pa. / Malvern Preparatory School / Ohio
0	Keith Gallmon Jr.	DB	5-8	208	Gr.	Mobile, Ala. / Mobile Christian School / South Alabama
1	Jesse Johnson III	DB	5-11	168	R-Sr.	Columbus, Ohio / Marion-Franklin HS / Tiffin
1	Romon Copeland Jr.	WR	5-6	153	Gr.	Chesapeake, Va. / Oscar Smith HS / Hampton
2	Za'Heir Barnes-Vaughn	DL	6-1	269	R-Jr.	Somerset, N.J. / Mooresville HS (N.C.) / Notre Dame College
3	Kinstin Reaves	DL	5-11	272	R-So.	Statesville, N.C. / Statesville HS / UNC Pembroke
4	Cinque Williams	DB	5-10	187	Sr.	Southlake, Texas / Southlake Carroll HS / UTSA
4	Austin Smith	QB	6-3	215	R-Jr.	Jonesboro, Ga. / Cedar Grove HS / Eastern Michigan
5	Sammy Anderson Jr.	DB	6-0	191	R-Sr.	Dayton, Ohio / Trotwood-Madison HS / Cincinnati
5	Braxton Hicks	WR	6-0	169	Gr.	Tiger, Ga. / Rabun County HS / Georgia
6	Davin Garinger	QB	6-1	190	R-Fr.	Clarksville, Tenn. / Clarksville HS
6	Bo Spearman	LB	6-0	223	R-Sr.	Irondale, Ala. / Shades Valley HS / Chattanooga
7	Khatib Lyles	WR	6-0	215	Gr.	El Paso, Texas / Parkland HS / North Texas
7	Dorian Davis	DB	5-11	191	Gr.	Shelby, N.C. / Shelby HS / Towson
8	Quincy Milhomme	DB	5-8	178	Sr.	Fort Myers, Fla. / South Fort Myers HS / West Florida
8	Malik Bowen-Sims	WR	6-3	202	Gr.	Mt. Juliet, Tenn. / Mt. Juliet HS / Duke
9	Davion Blackwell	LB	6-1	215	R-Sr.	Columbia, S.C. / Folsom HS (Calif.) / Nevada
9	Christopher Scott Jr.	WR	5-11	156	R-Sr.	Atlanta, Ga. / Dacula HS / North Carolina State
10	Jaden Barnes	WR	5-8	162	So.	Fairburn, Ga. / Langston Hughes HS
10	Hosea Knifeley Jr.	DL	6-1	237	Gr.	Louisville, Ky. / Butler HS
11	Brodie Williams	DB	5-9	174	R-Jr.	Jonesboro, Ark. / Jonesboro HS
11	La'Veil Wright	RB	5-11	206	Gr.	Louisville, Ky. / North Hardin HS / Kentucky
12	Grace'son Beach	LB	5-11	215	Fr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Pearl-Cohn HS
12	Mason Garcia	QB	6-5	244	R-Sr.	Myrtle Beach, S.C. / Carolina Forest HS / East Carolina
13	Stephen Ellison II	DB	5-10	190	Fr.	Murfreesboro, Tenn. / Oakland HS
14	Jeremiah Flemmons	WR	6-1	200	R-So.	Ooltewah, Tenn. / East Hamilton HS
14	Christian Lewis	DB	5-11	200	Gr.	Farrell, Pa. / Farrell Area HS / Albany
15	Chase Allen	DB	5-10	187	Jr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Lipscomb Academy
15	Jake Johnson	QB	5-10	191	Gr.	Knoxville, Tenn. / Timber Creek HS (Fla.) / Rollins College
17	Jade Kneeland	WR	6-1	186	Fr.	Bartlett, Tenn. / Bartlett HS
17	Davion Hood	DL	6-1	228	R-Jr.	Kennesaw, Ga. / Harrison HS / Temple
18	Matthew Corley	QB	6-0	200	R-Jr.	Clarksville, Tenn. / Home Life Academy / Carson-Newman
18	Tyler Hicks	LB	5-11	191	Fr.	Alabaster, Ala. / Thompson HS
19	Tae Gayden	WR	6-0	183	R-Jr.	Mangham, La. / Mangham HS
19	Tra Stover	DB	6-0	175	R-So.	Decatur, Ala. / Austin HS
20	Jaden Lyles	DB	5-11	203	Jr.	Hendersonville, Tenn. / Lipscomb Academy
20	Dominik Stadlman	P	6-1	174	R-Sr.	Overland Park, Kan. / Blue Valley Southwest HS / Pittsburg State
21	Mike Evans	DB	5-11	190	R-So.	St. Petersburg, Fla. / Lakewood HS
21	Alec Pell	TE	6-4	244	Gr.	Englewood, Colo. / Cherry Creek HS / Northern Colorado
22	Trevor Hardy	DB	5-11	175	R-So.	Alabaster, Ala. / Thompson HS / Memphis
22	Carson Smith	K	5-11	174	R-Jr.	Belmont, N.C. / South Point HS / East Carolina
23	Jakari Patterson	DL	6-2	205	Gr.	Cincinnati, Ohio / Colerain HS / Towson
24	Malaki Dowell	RB	5-9	173	R-Fr.	Sparta, Tenn. / White County HS
25	Kaden Williams	RB	5-7	189	R-Fr.	Thibodaux, La. / St. James HS
26	Corey Richardson	RB	5-7	161	Fr.	Fayetteville, Ga. / Whitewater HS
27	Tetoe Boyd Jr.	RB	5-9	212	R-So.	Cleveland, Tenn. / Cleveland HS
27	Tommy Holden	K/P	5-10	170	Sr.	Lithia, Fla. / Newsome HS
28	DJ Carter	WR	5-10	202	R-So.	Montgomery, Ala. / Montgomery Catholic HS
29	Ellis Ellis Jr.	DB	6-0	184	R-So.	Hendersonville, Tenn. / Hendersonville HS
29	Courtland Simmons	RB	5-11	203	R-Fr.	Madison, Tenn. / Davidson Academy
31	Austin Skoglund	LB	6-1	220	Sr.	Austin, Texas / Vandegrift HS / Tyler JC
32	Kaleb Tuliau	DB	6-0	181	Gr.	Long Beach, Calif. / Centennial HS / UCLA
32	Gabe Bobbitt	TE	6-3	234	Fr.	Villa Rica, Ga. / South Paulding HS
33	Jackson Griner	TE	6-2	217	R-Jr.	Columbus, Ga. / Glenwood HS
34	KT Owens	DL	6-3	230	Gr.	Oxford, Miss. / Oxford HS / Mississippi Delta CC
35	TJ Cox Jr.	LB	5-9	224	R-So.	Bartlett, Tenn. / Bartlett HS
41	BJ Blake	RB	5-7	168	Fr.	Memphis, Tenn. / Germantown HS
42	Austin Turner	LS	6-1	251	R-Jr.	Elon, N.C. / Western Alamance HS / Liberty
43	Garrett Hawkins	LB	6-3	227	So.	Sevierville, Tenn. / Sevier County HS
44	Dion Hunter	LB	6-1	236	Gr.	Albuquerque, N.M. / Cleveland HS / Cincinnati
45	Collins Malone	LB	6-2	213	R-So.	Columbia, Tenn. / Columbia Academy

### ALPHABETICAL

No.	Name	Pos.
90	Tim Alderman	DL
74	Marcus Alexander	OL
15	Chase Allen	DB
0	O'Shaan Allison	RB
5	Sammy Anderson Jr.	DB
87	Jack Baker	TE
50	Kendyle Ball	DL
10	Jaden Barnes	WR
2	Za'Heir Barnes-Vaughn	DL
12	Grace'son Beach	LB
9	Davion Blackwell	LB
41	BJ Blake	RB
32	Gabe Bobbitt	TE
8	Malik Bowen-Sims	WR
27	Tetoe Boyd Jr.	RB
58	Leon Brigham III	OL
28	DJ Carter	WR
93	Marquez Casey	DL
85	Jabari Cathey	WR
53	Mekaih Collins	DL
97	Carson Conner	DL
1	Romon Copeland Jr.	WR
18	Matthew Corley	QB
35	TJ Cox Jr.	LB
7	Dorian Davis	DB
65	Ward Dorris	OL
24	Malaki Dowell	RB
48	Javen Edmiston	LB
29	Ellis Ellis Jr.	DB
13	Stephen Ellison II	DB
21	Mike Evans	DB
14	Jeremiah Flemmons	WR
61	Davinci Floyd	OL
0	Keith Gallmon Jr.	DB
12	Mason Garcia	QB
6	Davin Garinger	QB
19	Tae Gayden	WR
72	Jaiden Giovenco	OL
77	Leo Gonzalez	OL
53	Ethan Goodin	OL
56	Caleb Graham	OL
33	Jackson Griner	TE
54	Antori Hamilton	DL
22	Trevor Hardy	DB
54	Malachi Harris	OL
63	Donovan Haslam	OL
43	Garrett Hawkins	LB
89	Jackson Head	TE
5	Braxton Hicks	WR
18	Tyler Hicks	LB
27	Tommy Holden	K/P
17	Davion Hood	DL
44	Dion Hunter	LB
1	Jesse Johnson III	DB
15	Jake Johnson	QB
80	Kedarius Jones	WR
82	CJ Jordan	WR
51	Maston Joyner	K/P
52	Chandler Kirton	OL
17	Jade Kneeland	WR
10	Hosea Knifeley Jr.	DL

# AUSTIN PEAY FOOTBALL

## GOVERNORS ROSTERS

### NUMERICAL

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown / High School / Previous School
48	Javen Edmiston	LB	6-0	211	So.	Summertown, Tenn. / Summertown HS
49	Lorenzo York Jr.	DB	5-8	161	R-Fr.	Palmetto, Ga. / Creekside HS
50	Kendyle Ball	DL	6-1	238	R-So.	Nashville, Tenn. / Davidson Academy
51	Maston Joyner	K/P	5-10	163	Fr.	DeFuniak Springs, Fla. / Walton HS
52	Chandler Kirton	OL	6-0	291	R-Jr.	Atlantic Beach, Fla. / Duncan U. Fletcher HS
52	Ke'Vion Wellington	DL	6-2	266	R-Fr.	Indianapolis, Ind. / North Central HS / Eastern Michigan
53	Mekaih Collins	DL	6-0	275	Fr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Father Ryan HS
53	Ethan Goodin	OL	6-6	258	Fr.	Evansville, Ind. / Mater Dei HS
54	Antori Hamilton	DL	5-10	275	Fr.	Knoxville, Tenn. / Knoxville Catholic HS
54	Malachi Harris	OL	6-2	357	Fr.	Huntsville, Ala. / Mae Jemison HS
55	Chinazo Obobi	OL	6-5	313	R-Jr.	London, England / Lea Valley Academy / Marshall
56	Caleb Graham	OL	6-1	277	R-Fr.	Maryville, Tenn. / Maryville HS
57	Ty Williams	OL	6-4	295	R-Fr.	Greeneville, Tenn. / Greeneville HS
58	Leon Brigham III	OL	6-0	336	Fr.	DeSoto, Texas / DeSoto HS
59	Hayden McLaurin	LS	5-10	198	Fr.	Daphne, Ala. / Daphne HS
61	Davinci Floyd	OL	6-2	328	R-Jr.	Collierville, Tenn. / Collierville HS / Coffeyville CC (Kan.)
63	Donovan Haslam	OL	6-4	332	R-So.	Perry, Ga. / Perry HS
65	Ward Dorris	OL	6-1	259	Fr.	Madison, Tenn. / Goodpasture Christian School
66	Chandler Thomason	OL	5-11	293	Fr.	Pulaski, Tenn. / Richland HS
68	Nate Lewis	OL	6-2	284	R-So.	Hazlehurst, Ga. / Jeff Davis HS / Georgia Southern
69	Michael Treadwell	OL	6-0	281	Gr.	Knoxville, Tenn. / Powell HS
71	Harrison Wilkes	OL	6-3	272	R-Jr.	Germantown, Tenn. / Houston HS
72	Jaiden Giovenco	OL	6-4	289	R-So.	Tampa, Fla. / Tampa Catholic HS
74	Marcus Alexander	OL	6-3	330	Gr.	Sunnyvale, Texas / Sunnyvale HS / Texas State
77	Leo Gonzalez	OL	6-3	308	R-Fr.	Lenoir City, Tenn. / Lenoir City HS
80	Kedarius Jones	WR	6-1	175	Fr.	Memphis, Tenn. / Whitehaven HS
81	Josh Mailander	WR	6-2	200	R-Fr.	Goodlettsville, Tenn. / Pope John Paul II Prep
82	CJ Jordan	WR	5-8	154	Fr.	Memphis, Tenn. / Lausanne Collegiate School
83	Jase Skoglund	TE	6-3	239	Fr.	Austin, Texas / Vandegrift HS
85	Jabari Cathey	WR	6-2	182	R-Fr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Stewarts Creek HS
87	Jack Baker	TE	6-1	260	Gr.	Fairview, Tenn. / Fairview HS
88	Marcus McGhee Jr.	WR	5-11	203	Gr.	Birmingham, Ala. / Homewood HS
88	Corey Rocchietti	LS	5-9	237	R-Fr.	Mt. Juliet, Tenn. / Mt. Juliet HS
89	Jackson Head	TE	6-1	222	So.	Woodstock, Ga. / River Ridge HS / Gardner-Webb
90	Tim Alderman	DL	6-1	221	Gr.	Fort Valley, Ga. / Peach County HS / Fort Valley
91	Jay Morrow	DL	5-11	248	Fr.	Memphis, Tenn. / Lausanne Collegiate School
93	Marquez Casey	DL	6-1	259	Gr.	Jacksonville, Ark. / Jacksonville HS / Campbell
97	Carson Conner	DL	6-3	271	Sr.	Picayune, Miss. / Picayune Memorial HS / East Mississippi CC
98	Jaden McKinney	DL	6-4	283	So.	Collierville, Tenn. / Collierville HS
99	Jeffson Locke	DL	6-2	236	Fr.	Dalton, Ga. / Dalton HS

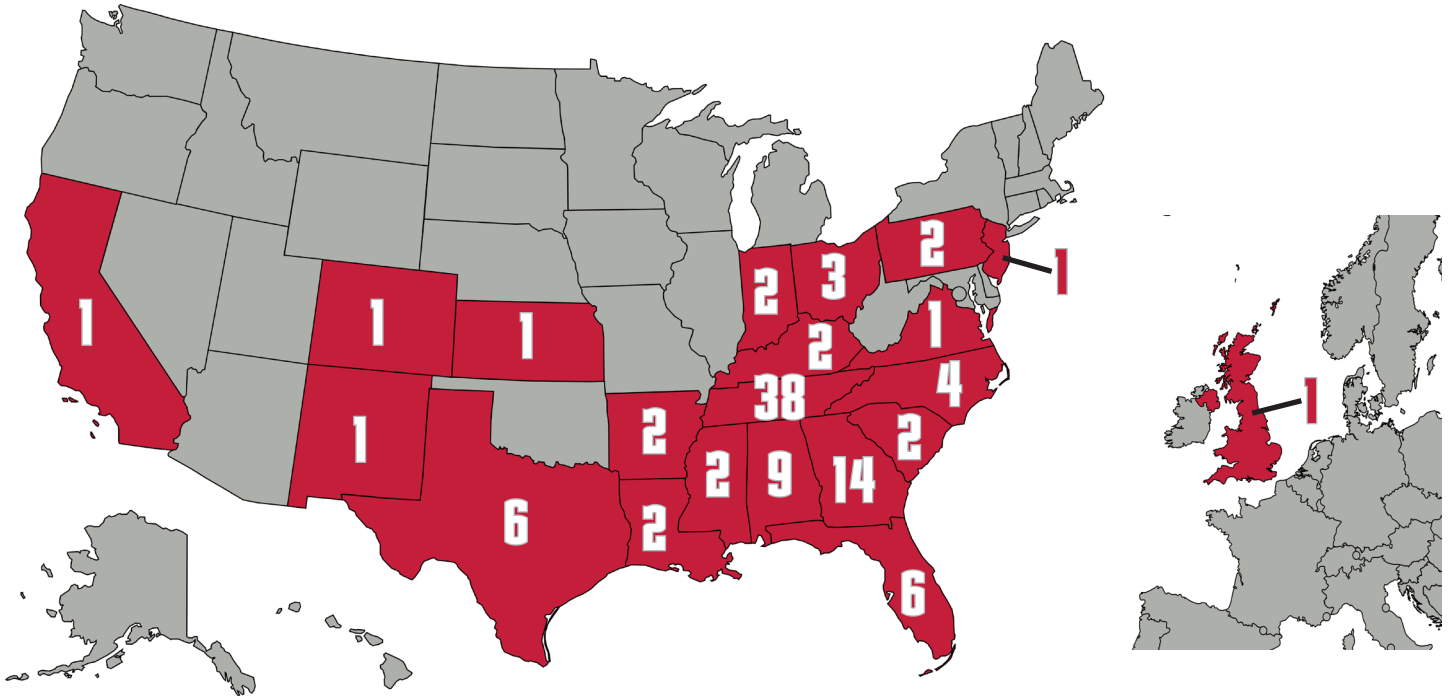
### ALPHABETICAL

No.	Name	Pos.
14	Christian Lewis	DB
68	Nate Lewis	OL
99	Jeffson Locke	DL
20	Jaden Lyles	DB
7	Khatib Lyles	WR
81	Josh Mailander	WR
45	Collins Malone	LB
88	Marcus McGhee Jr.	WR
98	Jaden McKinney	DL
59	Hayden McLaurin	LS
8	Quincy Milhomme	DB
91	Jay Morrow	DL
55	Chinazo Obobi	OL
34	KT Owens	DL
23	Jakari Patterson	DL
21	Alec Pell	TE
3	Kinstin Reaves	DL
26	Corey Richardson	RB
88	Corey Rocchietti	LS
9	Christopher Scott Jr.	WR
29	Courtland Simmons	RB
31	Austin Skoglund	LB
83	Jase Skoglund	TE
4	Austin Smith	QB
22	Carson Smith	K
6	Bo Spearman	LB
20	Dominik Stadlman	P
19	Tra Stover	DB
66	Chandler Thomason	OL
69	Michael Treadwell	OL
32	Kaleb Tuliau	DB
42	Austin Turner	LS
52	Ke'Vion Wellington	DL
71	Harrison Wilkes	OL
11	Brodie Williams	DB
4	Cinque Williams	DB
25	Kaden Williams	RB
57	Ty Williams	OL
11	La'Vell Wright	RB
49	Lorenzo York Jr.	DB

### PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

0 O'Shaan Allison	o-shawn	0 Keith Gallmon Jr.	gall-mon	55 Chinazo Obobi	che-nah-zo oh-boh-bee
2 Za'Heir Barnes-Vaughn	zaye-ear (like the country Zaire)	6 Davin Garinger	gare-un-ger		("CK" on 2nd reference)
12 Grace'son Beach	(like "Grayson")	72 Jaiden Giovenco	Gee-uh-vink-oh	23 Jakari Patterson	jah-car-ee
58 Leon Brigham	brig-um	54 Antori Hamilton	ann-torre	3 Kinstin Reaves	kin-stin
93 Marquez Casey	mar-qwez	54 Malachi Harris	mal-uh-chi	88 Corey Rocchietti	roh-ket-ee
85 Jabari Cathey	cathy	41 Davion Hood	da-vee-on	31 Austin Skoglund	skog-lund
53 Mekaih Collins	muh-kai	51 Maston Joyner	Mass-ton	83 Jase Skoglund	skog-lund
1 Romon Copeland Jr.	Row-mahn	52 Chandler Kirton	(like "curtain")	20 Dominik Stadlman	stall-man (silent d)
18 Matthew Corley	core-lee	10 Hosea Knifeley Jr.	Jose	19 Tra Stover	Trey
24 Malaki Dowell	mal-uh-ki	99 Jeffson Locke	jeff sahn (like two words)	66 Chandler Thomason	thomas-son
48 Javen Edmiston	ed-mist-ton	7 Khatib Lyles	huh-teeb (silent k)	32 Kaleb Tuliau	too-lee-ow
13 Stephen Ellison	(like "Steven")	81 Josh Mailander	may-lander	52 Ke'Vion Wellington	key-vee-on
		8 Quincy Milhomme	mill-home	4 Cinque Williams	sin-kay



**TENNESSEE (38)**

6	Davin Garinger	Clarksville
8	Malik Bowen-Sims	Mt. Juliet
12	Grace'son Beach	Nashville
13	Stephen Ellison II	Murfreesboro
14	Jeremiah Flemmons	Ooltewah
15	Chase Allen	Nashville
15	Jake Johnson	Knoxville
17	Jade Kneeland	Bartlett
18	Matthew Corley	Clarksville
20	Jaden Lyles	Hendersonville
24	Malaki Dowell	Sparta
27	Tetoe Boyd Jr.	Cleveland
29	Ellis Ellis Jr.	Hendersonville
29	Courtland Simmons	Madison
35	TJ Cox Jr.	Bartlett
41	BJ Blake	Memphis
43	Garrett Hawkins	Sevierville
45	Collins Malone	Columbia
48	Javen Edmiston	Summertown
50	Kendyle Ball	Nashville
53	Mekaih Collins	Nashville
54	Antori Hamilton	Knoxville
56	Caleb Graham	Maryville
57	Ty Williams	Greeneville
61	Davinci Floyd	Collierville
65	Ward Dorris	Madison
66	Chandler Thomason	Pulaski
69	Michael Treadwell	Knoxville
71	Harrison Wilkes	Germantown
77	Leo Gonzalez	Lenoir City
80	Kedarius Jones	Memphis
81	Josh Mailander	Goodlettsville
82	CJ Jordan	Memphis
85	Jabari Cathey	Nashville
87	Jack Baker	Fairview
88	Corey Rocchietti	Mt. Juliet
91	Jay Morrow	Memphis
98	Jaden McKinney	Collierville

**GEORGIA (14)**

4	Austin Smith	Jonesboro
5	Braxton Hicks	Tiger
9	Christopher Scott Jr.	Atlanta
10	Jaden Barnes	Fairburn
17	Davion Hood	Kennesaw

26	Corey Richardson	Fayetteville
32	Gabe Bobbitt	Villa Rica
33	Jackson Griner	Columbus
49	Lorenzo York Jr.	Palmetto
63	Donovan Haslam	Perry
68	Nate Lewis	Hazlehurst
89	Jackson Head	Woodstock
90	Tim Alderman	Fort Valley
99	Jeffson Locke	Dalton

**ALABAMA (9)**

0	Keith Gallmon Jr.	Mobile
6	Bo Spearman	Irondale
18	Tyler Hicks	Alabaster
19	Tra Stover	Decatur
22	Trevor Hardy	Alabaster
28	DJ Carter	Montgomery
54	Malachi Harris	Huntsville
59	Hayden McLaurin	Daphne
88	Marcus McGhee	Birmingham

**FLORIDA (6)**

8	Quincy Milhomme	Fort Myers
21	Mike Evans	St. Petersburg
27	Tommy Holden	Lithia
51	Maston Joyner	DeFuniak Springs
52	Chandler Kirton	Atlantic Beach
72	Jaiden Giovenco	Tampa

**TEXAS (6)**

4	Cinque Williams	Southlake
7	Khatib Lyles	El Paso
31	Austin Skoglund	Austin
58	Leon Brigham III	DeSoto
74	Marcus Alexander	Sunnyvale
83	Jase Skoglund	Austin

**NORTH CAROLINA (4)**

3	Kinstin Reaves	Statesville
7	Dorian Davis	Shelby
22	Carson Smith	Belmont
42	Austin Turner	Elon

**OHIO (3)**

1	Jesse Johnson III	Columbus
5	Sammy Anderson Jr.	Dayton
23	Jakari Patterson	Cincinnati

**ARKANSAS (2)**

11	Brodie Williams	Jonesboro
93	Marquez Casey	Jacksonville

**INDIANA (2)**

52	Ke'Vion Wellington	Indianapolis
53	Ethan Goodin	Evansville

**KENTUCKY (2)**

10	Hosea Knifeley Jr.	Louisville
11	La'Veil Wright	Louisville

**LOUISIANA (2)**

19	Tae Gayden	Rayville
25	Kaden Williams	Thibodaux

**MISSISSIPPI (2)**

34	KT Owens	Oxford
97	Carson Conner	Picayune

**PENNSYLVANIA (2)**

0	O'Shaan Allison	Norristown
14	Christian Lewis	Farrell

**SOUTH CAROLINA (2)**

9	Davion Blackwell	Columbia
12	Mason Garcia	Myrtle Beach

**CALIFORNIA (1)**

32	Kaleb Tuliau	Long Beach
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**COLORADO (1)**

21	Alec Pell	Englewood
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**ENGLAND (1)**

55	Chinazo Obobi	London
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**KANSAS (1)**

20	Dominik Stadlman	Overland Park
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**NEW JERSEY (1)**

2	Za'Heir Barnes-Vaughn	Somerset
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**NEW MEXICO (1)**

44	Dion Hunter	Albuquerque
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**VIRGINIA (1)**

1	Romon Copeland Jr.	Chesapeake
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*Austin Peay's home football and track & field facility has resided on the corner of Marion & Henry Streets for 77 seasons.*



### MAYNARD FAMILY FIELD

Now known as Maynard Family Field, the new turf surface at Fortera Stadium features a 40-yard-long State of Tennessee logo with a Governors logo tucked inside and the Maynard Family logo on each 25-yard line. The Legion Hybrid Synthetic Turf was installed by Shaw Sports Turf in 2022 and is the same state-of-the-art turf that is used by a number of major college football programs.

### BILL DUPES LOCKER ROOM

The Bill Dupes Locker Room, which was completely renovated before the 2022 season, was a \$750,000 project that featured customized and state-of-the-art lockers from Wenger Lockers, brand-new carpet, multi-colored LED lights, a new sound system, and new branding and signage around the locker room. The top-of-the-line facility will provide Austin Peay student-athletes a premier place to prepare for and celebrate their success on the gridiron at Fortera Stadium.

### HOME SWEET HOME

Austin Peay football has proudly been located on the corner of Marion and Henry Streets since 1946. Recent renovations have allowed the Governors to establish a strong home-field advantage in one of the premier stadiums in all the FCS. Since 2017, Austin Peay has compiled a 19-6 home record, with a winning record at Fortera Stadium in each of the last six seasons.

### FORTERA STADIUM RISES

Following the 2015 season, the Austin Peay State University embarked on the biggest construction project dedicated to football in its history. What resulted is a \$19-million facility that has four levels on its west side. On the lower level is the player locker room, players lounge, athletic training room, equipment room, weight room, and nutrition room. The top two floors provide a premier fan experience with the Echo Power Club Level on the third floor and private suites on the fourth floor. The facility was officially named Fortera Stadium to begin the 2016 season.

### HEAVY LIFTING ENABLED

In March 2017, construction was completed on a new weight room inside Fortera Stadium. The state-of-the-art facility will serve not only Austin Peay football but also a host of the athletics department's programs. The new space houses racks, free weights, and treadmills in the facility.

### HISTORY LESSON

The original Municipal Stadium's construction was finished prior to the 1946 season as a joint project between the City of Clarksville, Montgomery County, and Austin Peay State College. The city-owned and operated the facility that housed APSC's football and track teams along with local schools' sporting events.

In 1970, the city conveyed the title to one-third of the stadium to the state of Tennessee for the university and Montgomery County, who then formed the Stadium Authority that was in charge of the stadium's operations.

The university purchased Municipal Stadium from the Stadium Authority and Montgomery County in 1993 and renamed it Governors Stadium.

In April 2016, Austin Peay and Fortera Credit Union entered a 25-year sponsorship agreement, rebranding the historic Governors Stadium to Fortera Stadium.

### FORTERA STADIUM FACTS

Stadium Name .....	Fortera Stadium
Field Name .....	Maynard Family Field
Capacity .....	10,100
Surface .....	Legion Hybrid Synthetic Turf
Installed .....	2022 by Shaw Sports Turf
First Season at Fortera Stadium .....	2016
Austin Peay record at Fortera Stadium .....	28-13 (.683)

### YEAR-BY-YEAR

2016	0-5	2017	4-1	2018	4-1	2019	6-1	2020	2-1
2021	3-2	2022	4-1	2023	5-1				

### TOP-FIVE ATTENDANCE MARKS

- 12,201 - Tennessee State - Oct. 6, 2018
- 9,931 - Central Arkansas - Nov. 18, 2023
- 9,428 - Southeast Missouri - Oct. 21, 2017
- 8,827 - Eastern Kentucky - Sept. 24, 2022
- 8,812 - UT Martin - Sept. 30, 2017

### FCS PLAYOFF ATTENDANCE MARKS

- 7,249 - Chattanooga - Nov. 25, 2023
- 3,559 - Furman - Nov. 30, 2019