



# TEXAS SOUTHERN FOOTBALL PRESEASON GUIDE

## QUICK FACTS

**Location (Founded):** Houston, Texas (1927)  
**Conference:** Southwestern Athletic (SWAC)  
**Enrollment:** 8,300  
**Colors:** Maroon & Gray  
**Nickname:** Tigers  
**Mascots:** Tex, Rex & Lex  
**Marching Band:** Ocean of Soul  
**President:** James W. Crawford III  
**VP for Intercollegiate Athletics:** Dr. Kevin Granger  
**Senior Woman Administrator:** Dr. Dwalah Fisher  
**Faculty Representative:** Dr. Howard Henderson  
**Athletic Dept. Phone:** (713) 313-6830  
**Website:** www.TSUSports.com  
**Radio:** KTSU 90.9 FM  
**Radio Voices:** Devan Wade / Lary "Chattabox" Hale  
**Address:** 3100 Cleburne Street  
 Houston, TX 77004

## FACILITIES

**Primary Stadium:** Shell Energy Stadium (22,000)  
**Secondary:** Alexander Durlay (5,500)  
**Surface (BBVA):** Tifway 419 Bermuda grass  
**Surface (Durlay):** FieldTurf  
**Record at Shell Energy Stadium:** 15-38 (opened in 2012)

## HISTORY

**First Year of Football:** 1946  
**First Year of SWAC Football:** 1955  
**Conference Affiliations:** Independent (1947-51)  
 Midwest Athletic Association (1951-54)  
 Southwestern Athletic (1954-Present)  
**SWAC Championships:** 3 (1956, 1966, 1968)  
**Black College National Championships:** 1 (1952)

## TEAM INFORMATION

**2023 Fall Overall Record:** 3-8  
**2023 Home/Away/Neutral:** 2-3 / 1-5 / 0-0  
**Letterwinners Returning/Lost:** 44/28  
**Starters Returning (O/D/ST):** 5/8/1  
**Offense:** Multiple  
**Defense:** Multiple

## SPORTS INFORMATION

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## COACHING STAFF

**Head Coach:** Cris Dishman (Purdue '88)  
**Record at TSU/Years:** 0-0 (1st year)  
**Overall Record (Years):** 0-0 (1st year)  
**Offensive Coordinator/OL:** Steven Smith  
**Defensive Coordinator/Secondary:** Billy Parker  
**Assistant HC/WR/Recruiting:** Jerwin Wilson  
**NFL Liaison/Linebackers:** Derrick Mathews  
**QB/Pass Game Coordinator:** Zerrick Rollins  
**Defensive Line:** Matthew Passwaters  
**Running Backs:** Kimble Anders  
**Tight Ends:** DeShawn Haney  
**Chief Of Staff:** Charles Nichols  
**Director of Human Performance:** Justin Sorrell  
**Director of Human Performance/DL:** Jonas Seawright  
**Offensive Assistant:** Billy Owens  
**Alumni Relations:** Harold Smith  
**Football Equipment Manager:** Anthony Joubert  
**Student Assistant:** Isaac Williams  
**Offensive Assistant:** Derek Morton  
**Offensive Assistant:** Dante Proctor, Jr.  
**Assistant Defensive Backs:** Tedric Harris

## TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY SPORTS INFORMATION OFFICE



The Texas Southern Office Of Sports Information is located in the H&PE Building located at the corner of Blodgett and Ennis Street on the campus of TSU. The main number is 713-313-6829.

## SEASON CREDENTIALS

Working media and photographer credentials for TSU's 2024 home games against **Jackson State (Shell Energy Stadium)**, **Virginia-Lynchburg (TBA)**, **Southern (Shell Energy Stadium)**, **Grambling State (Shell Energy Stadium)** and **Bethune-Cookman (Shell Energy Stadium)** will be handled by the TSU Sports Information Office or respective promotor at the neutral site. Requests should be made in writing by sports editors or sports directors of accredited media outlets on company letterhead. Requests should be made as early as possible and should be limited to working

media only. For contests at Shell Energy Stadium and Durlay Stadium, requests made within two days of the game may not be considered.

## PRACTICE COVERAGE

All practices are closed to the public, and only the first 20 minutes of the workout will be open for members of accredited media outlets. Media members wishing to attend the beginning or conclusion of practice (interviews only) should contact the SID office for exact starting times and location.

## ADDITIONAL INTERVIEWS

In addition to Monday's SWAC Media Teleconference, head coach **Cris Dishman** will be available for in-person or phone interviews on Tuesday's during a specified window. All interview requests

must be coordinated through the TSU Sports Information Office **24 hours** in advance. Student-athlete's phone numbers will not be given out. Coaches and student-athletes are not available for interviews the day before a game or on gameday unless arrangements are made in advance.

## POSTGAME INTERVIEWS

TSU head coach **Cris Dishman** and requested players will be available for interviews immediately following the game at a prearranged location which will be announced prior to the game's conclusion. TSU's locker room will remain closed following games. The visiting SID will determine the best site and establish interview policies for their coaches and players.



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## 2024 SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME	NOTE
Sat.	Aug. 31	at Prairie View A&M* (ESPN+)	Prairie View, Texas	6 p.m.	PVAMU has won 17 of the past 20 contests since 2004
Sat.	Sept. 7	at Rice (ESPN+)	Houston, Texas	6 p.m.	Third match-up in four years, second year in American Athletic Conference
Sat.	Sept. 21	at Lamar (ESPN+)	Beaumont, Texas	6 p.m.	Cardinals return to the schedule after a 39-year hiatus (1985)
Sat.	Sept. 28	<b>JACKSON STATE*</b> (ESPN+)	Houston, Texas	6 p.m.	Tigers led by former TSU assistant TC Taylor, last win over JSU was in 2000
Sat.	Oct. 5	<b>VIRGINIA LYNCHBURG</b> (TBA)	Houston, Texas	2 p.m.	Homecoming 2024 and first-ever meeting between both teams
Sat.	Oct. 12	<b>SOUTHERN*</b> (TBA)	Houston, Texas	TBA	Southern returns to Houston for the first time since the spring of 2020
Sat.	Oct. 26	<b>GRAMBLING STATE*</b> (TBA)	Houston, Texas	TBA	Grambling State caps off four-game homestand with new head coach
Sat.	Nov. 2	at Florida A&M* (ESPN+)	Tallahassee, Fla.	3 p.m.	TSU returns to Tallahassee, Fla. for the first time since 2017, FAMU Homecoming
Sat.	Nov. 9	at Alcorn State*	Lorman, Miss.	2 p.m.	TSU looking for third straight win over ASU, Braves feature new head coach
Sat.	Nov. 16	<b>BETHUNE-COOKMAN*</b>	Houston, Texas	TBA	Bethune-Cookman returns to Houston for the first time since 1981
Sat.	Nov. 23	Arkansas-Pine Bluff* (TBA)	Pine Bluff, Ark.	2 p.m.	One of three teams in the SWAC that TSU has a winning record against all-time
Sat.	Dec. 7	SWAC Championship	TBA	1 p.m.	Contest will be held on the campus of the highest-seeded team

\* - SWAC CONTESTS

## THE OPENING KICK

### THE DISHMAN ERA

**Cris Dishman** is the 18th head coach in the history of Texas Southern Football. Dishman inherits a tough task as the program has only had 28 winning seasons in 77 years of existence and hasn't recorded a winning season since 2000.

Unlike several of the past head coaches, Dishman takes control of a program that has been at the edge of breaking out but has suffered its fair share of heartbreakers over the past few seasons. In 2022, TSU was within one quarter of earning a SWAC Western Division title but suffered a fourth quarter collapse on the road which denied the program a chance at history as the team also fell short of its first winning season since 2000.

In 2023, TSU once again saw a promising campaign go south early as they fell to Prairie View A&M in overtime. The Tigers also suffered a tough overtime loss at Southern and had close losses in the final minutes against Grambling State, UAPB and Jackson State.

With the advent of the transfer portal, Dishman will be tasked with mixing in a plethora of newcomers with the returning nucleus along with breaking in a new coaching staff.

### HOME SWEET HOME

Eight games in the Houston area along with five home games highlight an exciting 2024 history-making Texas Southern football schedule.

Travel won't be an issue for Texas Southern this season as two of its road contests are located 90 miles or less from the city of Houston with another "road" contest located in Houston. The Tigers will not leave the state of Texas for its first true road contest until the month of November.

History will also be made on this year's schedule as this marks the first time ever that Texas Southern will host the trio of Southern University, Jackson State and Grambling State in Houston during the same year. The last time TSU hosted Southern and Jackson State occurred in 1999 while TSU faced both Grambling State and Jackson State in Houston during the 2022 season. In addition, TSU will play Southern in Houston for the first time since 2020 (spring) and 2017 (fall) while Lamar University returns to the schedule after a 39-year hiatus. Bethune-Cookman also returns to the city of Houston for the first time since 1981.

### STAYING GROUNDED

Even though the 2024 season is a 12-game schedule year for FCS teams, TSU will stand pat with an 11-game schedule.



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### THE MAN IN THE MIDDLE

Senior middle linebacker **Jacob Williams** earned his first-ever All-SWAC honor after a record-breaking season which saw him finish the year with 106 tackles and 18.5 tackles for loss. The Fresno, Texas native became TSU's first 100-plus tackler since 2004 as he ranked 19th nationally and seventh in tackles for loss. His 18.5 tackles for loss marked the most at TSU since 2013.

### STAFF SHUFFLE (AGAIN)

The Tiger football team has been used to the offseason assistant coaching shuffle over the past few years. With a new head coach charge, the team will feature a little of old along with plenty of new entering the 2024 campaign.

The team will have a pair of new coordinators in **Steven Smith** (offensive) and **Billy Parker** (defensive). Also new to the staff are **Matthew Passwaters** (defensive line), **Kimble Anders** (running backs), **Deshawn Haney** (tight ends), **Justin Sorrell** (human performance), **Jonas Seawright** (human performance) and **Harold Smith** (alumni relations). Returning to the staff from the previous season are **Jerwin Wilson** (assistant head coach), **Derrick Mathews** (linebackers), **Zerrick Rollins** (quarterbacks), **Charles Nichols** (chief of staff) and **Billy Owens** (offensive assistant).

### TIGERS ON THE TUBE

As of July 6, Tiger fans once again won't have issues finding what channel to watch Tiger football on as TSU is slated to appear on TV at least five times. TSU will have five games on ESPN+ as of press time.

Additional television appearances will be determined by the SWAC as the summer progresses.

### STRAHAN ON COLLEGE FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME 2025 BALLOT

TSU football alumnus **Michael Strahan** is on the 2025 College Football Hall of Fame Ballot.

Strahan first made his mark in the football world at TSU as he holds the single-season school record for sacks with 19 and a career record of 41.5. His extraordinary tal-



ent earned him multiple accolades, including being named two-time SWAC Defensive Player of the Year and Division I-AA (now considered FCS) Defensive Player of the Year.

### NEW ATHLETIC STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING FACILITY CLOSE TO REALITY

This August, the TSU football team will have a new place to train its new Athletic Strength and Conditioning Facility will open.

The 6,600-square foot multimillion dollar facility was built on the former basketball court directly behind the current TSU Football Field House which is located near Alexander Durley Stadium. The facility will include new weights, offices for strength and conditioning staff, space for physical therapy, an area for students to receive counseling services and more.

### SOLID BUILDING BLOCK

Head coach **Cris Dishman** inherits a solid building block in returning quarterback **Jace Wilson**.



Wilson was named the 2023 Newcomer of the Year by the SWAC. The sophomore from Missouri City, Texas was thrust into the starting role during week two and took advantage of the opportunity as he passed for 1,633 yards and 10 touchdowns. Wilson had two games with three touchdown passes versus Grambling State and Florida A&M while also throwing for a season-best 288 yards on 17-of-23 passing against Alcorn State. This marks the second time since 2019 that TSU has had a student-athlete achieve SWAC Newcomer of the Year honors.



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### FRIENDS, NOW FOES

Much has been made about TSU head coach **Cris Dishman's** relationship with Prairie View A&M head coach **Bubba McDowell**.

Both players were starters for the Houston Oilers in the mid-1990s as Dishman played cornerback while McDowell played safety. Once their NFL days came to an end, both coaches worked their way up the ranks as Dishman spent time in various professional leagues, colleges and high schools while McDowell coached in high school and college.

Alabama State head coach **Eddie Robinson** is also a Houston Oiler alum as he played with both head coaches for several years.

### BIG SHOES TO FILL

TSU fans will have to pull out their game brochures and refamiliarize themselves with several positions due to the departure of some key members.

The biggest hole on offense that will need to be addressed is the running back room. Whomever takes the snap from the quarterback on Aug. 31 at Prairie View A&M will have to replace **LaDarius Owens**.

Owens rewrote the TSU record book last season as he finished with 3,114 career rushing yards while also setting a single season record of 1,370 yards and compiling 24 rushing touchdowns, which ranks third all-time in TSU history. He also became the leader at TSU in all-time all-purpose yardage with 4,310 yards.

### TSU HALL OF FAME IS BACK, 7 FOOTBALL ALUMS TO BE INDUCTED

The Texas Southern University Sports Hall of Fame, which was reinstated recently, has announced its first induction class since 1996 with the selection of 24 former student-athletes, coaches and contributors. The star-studded class features a mix of current professional, collegiate and statewide hall of famers in addition to trailblazers in the sports of baseball, bowling, softball, women's basketball, volleyball and administration.

TSU football will be represented with seven for-



Coach Dishman (R) and PVAMU head coach Bubba McDowell (L)

mer standouts led by **Willie Ellison, Ernie Holmes, Mike Holmes, Homer Jones, Donald Narcisse, Michael Strahan** and **James West**.

### WANT TO BE A PRO? PLAY FOR SOME

TSU's new coaching staff has a wide variety of backgrounds with several coaches having the opportunity to play in the NFL along with coaching in various professional leagues.

Head coach **Cris Dishman**, defensive coordinator **Billy Parker**, running backs coach **Kimble Anders**, linebackers coach **Derrick Mathews** and human performance director **Jonas Seawright** all played in the NFL.

Offensive coordinator **Steven Smith** is a former NFL assistant coach and former offensive coordinator in the XFL while quarterbacks coach **Zerrick Rollins** spent two seasons in the USFL as an assistant coach.

### WELCOME BACK FLORIDA

This marks the second year TSU will play both Florida A&M and Bethune-Cookman since joining the SWAC. This will be a memorable feat as BCU has not played in Houston since 1981 when the teams played annually for several seasons while TSU will play at FAMU for the first time since the 2017 week 0 opener.



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## DISHMAN TAKES THE REIGNS OF TSU FOOTBALL

For the first time since the end of the 2018 season, the Texas Southern University football team will have a new voice in the room as head coach **Cris Dishman** takes on the task of reviving the Tiger football program.

A local legend in football circles around the Houston area as a member of the former Houston Oilers, Dishman is the latest head coach tasked with turning the Tiger football ship around. On paper, one would assume Dishman is set to undertake a massive rebuild based on past football records. However, the Tigers are much closer to winning than people think.

In 2023, the record “on paper”, displayed a 3-8 mark but only 34 points and two overtime heartbreakers separated the Tigers from a winning season. In 2022, the Tigers finished with a 5-6 mark but was literally within a half-inch of earning a share of the SWAC Western Division Championship on the final weekend of the season.

Will 2024 be the year the Tigers finally break through? Who knows, but Dishman and staff inherits a solid nucleus who’ve had the opportunity to grow up in the system along with having the knowledge of navigating the transfer portal on a yearly basis.



*TSU head football coach Cris Dishman starts his 1st season at Texas Southern.*

### OFFENSE

The TSU offense returns five starters from a unit which ranked fifth in scoring offense (26.2) ppg and fifth in total offense (372.8 ypg). However, several key figures on paper who were in the fieldhouse 365 days ago have departed. With a new head coach, the unit will feature a new scheme as offensive coordinator **Steven Smith** takes the helm. A former collegiate head coach, Smith has an extensive professional resume’ which included stops in the NFL, USFL and XFL.

### QUARTERBACKS

This time last year, the Tigers featured a two-year starter entering his third season with high expectations. However, a season-ending injury after the Labor Day Classic changed the complexion of the offense overnight as **Jace Wilson**, who was recruited to add depth to the unit, was thrust into the starter’s role against

Toledo and never looked back from that point. After a slow start, Wilson settled in and passed for 1,633 yards and 10 touchdowns en route to earning SWAC Newcomer of the Year honors. With another year at TSU and the second straight season under quarterback coach **Zerrick Rollins**, a hold-over from the previous staff, Wilson will be expected to take on a larger leadership role entering the year.

The unit didn’t have a lot of depth after Wilson as he’s the lone quarterback on the roster returning with significant playing time. During the spring, Wilson and redshirt freshman **Jordan Davis** took most of the snaps which meant a lot of time was spent on the recruiting trail to restock the quarterback room as the team signed a pair of newcomers who’ll be expected to compete for playing time.



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## RUNNING BACKS

The Tiger rushing attack last season was one for the ages as **LaDarius Owens** finished as TSU's all-time leader in rushing yardage and all-purpose yardage. When TSU was amid its quarterback transition, the running back room played an important role in setting the tone as the unit was stocked with a pair of seasoned seniors.

Entering the 2024 season, the unit features a new coach in the room as **Kimble Anders**, an NFL veteran, takes over. The lone back returning with significant experience is **Daveon Ford** as he was part of the team's rotation the past two seasons. **Chaunzavia Lewis**, a track standout who missed most of the year due to an injury, is back in the fold and a potential gamechanger due to his speed. Redshirt freshman **Jacob Washington** will be asked to step up along with several other newcomers as this marks the first time in five seasons that the unit will enter the season with limited experience.

## WIDE RECEIVERS / TIGHT ENDS

As the 2023 season matured, so did TSU's wide receiver room as the unit overcame some early adversity. Tiger fans saw early flashes of explosiveness last season in the Labor Day Classic but shortly thereafter, injuries began to take its toll along with the transition to a new passing leader.

With the return of assistant head coach/receivers coach **Jerwin Wilson**, continuity won't be an issue



The lone running back returning with significant experience is **Daveon Ford**

as he returns several players who'll be expected to step in quickly. **Trenton Leary**, who made a huge jump production wise with 331 yards on 20 receptions last season, should pick up where he left off along with **Kerion Charlo** and **Savion Sims**. The unit also regains the services of **AJ Bennett**, an explosive deep threat who missed a significant portion of the year due to an injury and redshirt freshman **Roryon Richardson**, who was expected to make an impact in 2023 but suffered a season-ending injury in training camp. The unit added more depth in the off-season via the portal which should bode well entering the season.

In the tight end room, new position coach **DeShawn Haney** returns the services of senior **Jyrin Johnson** as Johnson caught a team-high 37 receptions for 405 yards. With the change in scheme, the unit will feature a new look and faces but will be expected to retain the same level of production it has maintained the past few seasons.

## OFFENSIVE LINE

The TSU offensive line unfortunately had to say goodbye to several long-time seniors in **Jack Nance** and **Aidan Hemphill**, who earned a try-out with the Indianapolis Colts. While those two players will be missed, the unit still features several holdovers from the previous season who've played a major role in the team's success on the ground.

Offensive coordinator and offensive line coach **Steven Smith** will build around several players most notably **Mehdi Torrence**, an All-SWAC candidate, **Thomas Brown** and **Den- nis Jones**. Depth won't be an issue early on as several returnees who've played over the past few years should be ready to step up along with several redshirt freshmen who've waited their turn. Like other positions on the field, Smith was active on the recruiting trail as the unit had a productive recruiting season which should bode well entering camp as one can never have too much offensive line depth.



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## DEFENSE

Over the past few years, the TSU defense had its growing pains but finally matured to the point where the Tigers began to have success on the field consistently. For the second straight year, the team will have a new look and coordinator as **Billy Parker** takes over the defensive coordinator role. Parker has significant FCS experience as a player and coach while also playing professionally. One thing going in Parker's favor is the unit returns eight starters who played key roles last season.

## DEFENSIVE LINE

The transfer portal giveth and taketh as last year's standout **Elinus Noel III** heads to the Big 12 after arriving from Nicholls State in 2022. Noel finished with 7.5 tackles for loss, 3.5 sacks and 48 tackles which ranked sixth on the team. Despite the loss, new position coach **Matthew Passwaters** still returns a solid core as David Walker grew up midway through the season along with **Michael Akins** (9.5 TFL), **Brian Booker**, **Gabe Smith** and **Quinton Cook**. During the offseason, the staff was very active scouring the recruiting trail leaving no stone unturned to replace what was lost. Training camp will be of the upmost importance as the unit looks to solidify the rotation while also looking for the next leader on the line.



Senior linebacker **Jacob Williams** (11) and junior linebacker **Isaiah Bogerty** combined for more than 180 tackles last season.

## LINEBACKERS

The linebackers were TSU's most productive unit last year and most likely will be once again due to leadership qualities the position has.

Returning coach **Derrick Mathews** won't have to look far as All-SWAC returnee **Jacob Williams** will be expected once again to take charge of the unit after a super-productive junior campaign that saw him amass over 100-plus tackles and nearly 20 tackles for loss as he led TSU in sacks. Junior **Isaiah Bogerty** solidified himself as another player to watch after surpassing 80-plus tackles along with seven tackles for loss as a sophomore.

With the change in scheme, returnees **Alex Bouldin** and **Umar Yaro** should see their production increase while the unit also adds several newcomers to the fold entering training camp.

## DEFENSIVE BACKS

The defensive backfield enters the 2024 season as the most experienced unit on the field with 13 players who participated in spring ball. Having an experienced unit will be beneficial entering camp as they adapt to a new scheme.

**Javius Williams** headlines the unit after a productive junior season which saw him finish with 60-plus tackles and seven tackles for loss. **Canary Simmons**, who was fourth in tackles last year, is also back along with **Josiah Hardman**. A pair of x-factors in **Xavier Goynes** and **Xavier Player** return at cornerback along with **Marques Neal**. Despite the depth on paper, expect several newcomers to join the fold and ramp up competition once camp begins.



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## SPECIAL TEAMS

The special teams unit was a work in progress in the spring. Last year's primary returner **Chaunzavia Lewis** suffered a season-ending injury in week two which forced **LaDarius Owens** to step up as the leading kick returner along with **Trenton Leary**. Leary averaged 16.3 yards per punt return in 2023 as **AJ Bennett** will also be able to return kicks if needed.

Last year's primary kicker **Curtis Falkenburg** graduated but sophomore **Gustavo Romero** returns after finishing second on the team in PATs. **Christian Avelar** enters camp as the lone returning punter with experience as both Romero and Avelar are expected to be joined by several newcomers in training camp.

## SCHEDULE

TSU remains close to home for most of the season so having familiarity with the environment should be an advantage for Coach Dishman and staff early on as he adjusts to his new role. TSU doesn't have to leave the state of Texas until November so a fast start will be crucial before the team spends the month of November on the road for majority of the month.

As usual, the season will be defined early as the Tigers head to Prairie View A&M to participate in the Labor Day Classic. After trips to Lamar and Rice, the Tigers are back in SWAC play for its home opener on Sept. 28 versus Jackson State followed by Homecoming. After Homecoming, the schedule is 100 percent SWAC



Gustavo Romero returns after finishing second on the team in PATs.

as Southern and Grambling State visit Houston before the touch road stretch at Florida A&M and Alcorn State in November. Bethune-Cookman rounds out the home schedule followed by a season-ending trip to Arkansas-Pine Bluff live on HBCU Go.



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<u>No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Ht.</u>	<u>Wt.</u>	<u>Cl.</u>	<u>Hometown (Previous School)</u>
1	Charles George	S	6-3	229	Jr.	Detroit, Mich. (Renaissance)
2	Isaiah Bogerty	LB	6-2	213	Jr.	Stafford, Texas (Stafford)
2	Savion Sims	WR	6-1	181	Jr.	Missouri City, Texas (Elkins)
4	AJ Bennett	S	6-1	190	Gr.	Houston, Texas (Kansas/Klein Collins)
7	Jyrin Johnson	WR	6-4	210	R-Jr.	Sorrento, La. (East Ascension)
9	Michael Akins	DE	6-2	246	R-Jr.	New Iberia, La. (New Iberia)
11	Jacob Williams	LB	6-1	205	Sr.	Missouri City, Texas (Hightower)
12	Trenton Leary	WR	5-9	170	Jr.	Austin, Texas LBJ (LBJ)
13	Jordan Davis	QB	5-8	185	R-Fr.	Missouri City, Texas (Fort Bend Marshall)
14	Jace Wilson	QB	5-11	175	Jr.	Missouri City, Texas (Furman)
15	Kerien Charlo	WR	5-9	175	So.	Missouri City, Texas (Ridge Point)
17	Xavier Player	CB	6-0	175	Gr.	Cibolo, Texas (UTSA)
20	Justin White	RB	5-10	185	Jr.	Fort Worth, Texas (Doane University)
21	Chauzavia Lewis	RB	5-9	160	R-So.	Monroe, La. (South Plains College)
24	Javius Williams	TI	6-0	185	R-Jr.	Dallas, Texas (Skyline)
25	Daveon Ford	RB	5-8	195	Jr.	Houston, Texas (Notre Dame College)
29	Giovanni Harper	S	6-0	190	So.	Los Angeles, Calif. (San Jose State)
30	Marques Neal	CB	5-10	174	R-Fr.	Channelview, Texas (Channelview)
31	Perry Wells	CB	5-7	155	Sr.	Houston, Texas (North Shore)
33	Xavier Goynes	CB	6-1	155	R-Sr.	Fort Worth, Texas (Crowley)
35	Nicholas Cole	KLB	6-0	190	R-So.	Fort Worth, Texas (All Saints)
38	Josiah Hardman	TI	5-10	185	Sr.	Sanford, Fla. (Seminole)
41	Xavier Kately	S	6-0	188	R-Jr.	St. Martinville, La. (St. Martinville)
43	Canary Simmons	S	5-11	175	Sr.	Houston, Texas (Bellaire)
44	Jacob Washington	RB	5-10	190	R-Fr.	Pearland, Texas (Shadow Creek)
45	Jonathan Lewis	RB	5-9	185	R-So.	Klein, Texas (Southern Arkansas)
46	Alex Bouldin	LB	6-1	234	R-Jr.	San Antonio, Texas (Wagner)
47	X'Avier Allen	S	6-0	200	Gr.	Tyler, Texas (Erskine College)
52	Umar Yaro	LB	6-1	223	R-So.	Sugar Land, Texas (Kempner)
53	Christian Avelar	PK	5-7	170	Sr.	Huntsville, Texas (Blinn College)
54	Seth Carroll	LS	5-10	185	So.	Huntsville, Texas (East Texas Baptist)
55	Kevin Granados	PK	6-0	185	R-Fr.	Princeton, Texas (Princeton)
56	Gabriel Martin	OL	6-3	320	Sr.	San Francisco, Calif. (College of San Mateo)
60	Jakada Lanier	OL	6-3	334	Jr.	Cleveland, Ohio (Dodge City CC)
61	Jayden Adebo	OL	6-1	320	R-Jr.	Houston, Texas (Hastings)
63	Cortney Davis	DE	6-0	265	R-Fr.	Houston, Texas (Davis)
66	Erick Zapata	OL	6-1	304	R-Fr.	Kingwood, Texas (Kingwood Park)
68	Mehdi Torrence	OL	6-5	310	R-Sr.	Houston, Texas (Clear Creek)
71	Ethan Cox	DT	6-0	232	R-Fr.	Houston, Texas (Alief Taylor)
72	Brian Booker	DL	6-4	322	R-So.	Dallas, Texas (Lake Ridge)
73	Thomas Brown	OL	6-3	305	Sr.	Shreveport, La. (Southern U. Shreveport)
74	CJ Marsh	OL	6-4	265	Sr.	Katy, Texas (Sam Houston State)
76	Dennis Jones	OL	6-6	365	Jr.	Dallas, Texas (South Oak Cliff)



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77	Reginald Neal	OL	6-7	390	R-Sr.	Desoto, Texas (Desoto)
79	Ebuka Okafor	OL	6-5	288	R-Fr.	Houston, Texas (Alief Taylor)
81	Javon Buckley	WR	5-8	150	R-So.	Cypress, Texas (Cy Fair)
84	Ladavion Butler	WR	5-8	155	So.	Tyler, Texas (Legacy)
85	Roriyon Richardson	WR	6-1	190	R-Fr.	Houston, Texas (Summer Creek)
86	Gustavo Romero	PK	5-10	175	So.	Cypress, Texas (Cy Falls)
92	Gabe Smith	DE	6-3	226	R-Sr.	Austin, Texas (LBJ)
93	Tyler Martinez	DT	6-3	283	R-Sr.	Houston, Texas (Humble)
94	David Walker	DL	6-0	261	R-So.	Richmond, Texas (George Ranch)
95	Thurman Rayborn	DT	6-1	342	Jr.	Memphis, Tenn. (Northwest Mississippi CC)
96	Walteze Champ	DE	6-0	228	R-Fr.	Homer, La. (Homer)
97	Quinton Cook	DT	6-3	256	R-So.	New Iberia, La. (New Iberia)
99	Rolland Trent	DT	6-3	247	R-So.	Beaumont, Texas (United)
	Cornelius Banks	QB	6-3	195	R-So.	Houston, Texas (East Texas Baptist)
	Preston Davis	LB	6-0	200	R-Fr.	Houston, Texas (Fort Bend Bush)
	Jayden Curry	WR	5-8	160	R-Fr.	Fort Worth, Texas (Eastern Hills)
	Ricky Evans	WR	5-9	175	Fr.	Dallas, Texas (South Oak Cliff)
	Langston Howell	CB	5-11	175	R-Fr.	Forney, Texas (North Forney)
	Rodney Johnson	WR	5-7	150	Sr.	Houston, Texas (Trine University)
	Chandler Magee	DT	6-2	245	R-So.	Houston, Texas (Langham Creek)
	Okechukwu Metuh	DT	5-11	320	R-Fr.	Manor, Texas (Manor)
	Terrance Norton	DE	6-1	230	R-Fr.	Fort Worth, Texas (North Crowley)
	Darren Owens	DT	6-2	240	R-Fr.	Houston, Texas
	Athean Renfro	RB	5-9	225	R-Fr.	Beaumont, Texas (United)
	Bryson Spriggs	LB	5-11	195	R-Fr.	Oklahoma City, Okla. (Lewisville)
	Justin Wilson	WR	5-10	180	R-Fr.	Houston, Texas
	TJ Woodley	RB	5-8	215	R-Fr.	St. Louis, Mo. (De Smet Jesuit)

### COACHING STAFF

Head Coach:	Cris Dishman (Purdue '88)
Offensive Coordinator/OL:	Steven Smith
Defensive Coordinator/Secondary:	Billy Parker
Assistant Head Coach/Wide Receivers/Recruiting:	Jerwin Wilson
NFL Liaison/Linebackers:	Derrick Mathews
Quarterbacks/Pass Game Coordinator:	Zerrick Rollins
Defensive Line:	Matthew Passwaters
Running Backs:	Kimble Anders
Tight Ends:	DeShawn Haney
Chief Of Staff:	Charles Nichols
Director of Human Performance:	Justin Sorrell
Director of Human Performance/Defensive Line:	Jonas Seawright
Offensive Assistant:	Billy Owens
Alumni Relations:	Harold Smith
Football Equipment Manager:	Anthony Joubert
Student Assistant:	Isaac Williams
Offensive Assistant:	Derek Morton
Offensive Assistant:	Dante Proctor, Jr.
Assistant Defensive Backs:	Tedric Harris



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## JAMES W. CRAWFORD III PRESIDENT



The Texas Southern University (TSU) Board of Regents approved James W. Crawford III as the University's 14th president. Crawford began his appointment on June 1, 2024.

"James Crawford comes to Texas Southern University with a breadth of leadership experience not often seen in a university president," said TSU Board of Regents Chairman Brandon L. Simmons. "He has served students as both a university president and trustee. He has served in global leadership roles under six U.S. Presidents in peacetime and wartime. He is a husband, a father of twin sons, and a former college basketball player who was drawn to Texas Southern by our students because they remind him of a younger version of himself. Our board concludes the presidential search as we began it: united in serving our extraordinary Texas Southern students."

Crawford, who previously served as president of Felician University in New Jersey, was selected after a national search led by James Benham, Board of Regents Vice Chair, two distinguished alumni, Dr. Edieth Wu, Thurgood Marshall School of Law professor, Michael Strahan, Host of Good Morning America and NFL Hall of Famer, and a 15-member committee.

Crawford's instrumental leadership at Felician University was marked by numerous contributions including overseeing the completion of the Wellness and Recreation Center and other infrastructure projects, including the creation of the STEM Center in Kirby Hall on the Lodi campus, to expand learning delivery and the learning environment of the University. Crawford also serves on the Board of Trustees of his alma mater, Belmont Abbey College.

An experienced leader, Crawford served in the United States Navy for more than 30 years, retiring as a Vice Admiral and its 43rd Judge Advocate General (JAG). He has served as the head of the Naval Legal Service Command, legal counsel to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and commander of NATO Rule of Law Field Support, Afghanistan. Crawford served under six Presidents and was Lead Counsel for the principal military advisor to Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama. He was a trusted voice for the National Security Council, the Homeland Security Council, and Secretaries of Defense Robert M. Gates and Leon Panetta. As the Judge Advocate General of the Navy, Crawford led nearly 2,400 judge advocates, enlisted employees, and civilian employees of the Navy's global legal organization. He is the recipient of numerous military awards, including two Distinguished Service Medals.

"It is an honor and privilege to serve as Texas Southern University's 14th president, and I thank the Board of Regents for entrusting me with this momentous responsibility," said Crawford. "As I step into this role, I am eager to further the University's mission of ensuring our students are prepared for their next chapters as lifelong learners, engaged citizens and creative leaders in their communities. TSU has all the tools necessary to be a powerful force in Texas higher education and beyond, and I look forward to leading the charge toward the University's next chapter."

Crawford holds a Juris Doctorate from the University of North Carolina, a Master of Laws degree in ocean and coastal law from the University of Miami, a Master of Arts in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College, and a bachelor's degree from Belmont Abbey College. He and his wife, Elizabeth, have 16-year-old twin sons.



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## DR. KEVIN GRANGER

### VICE PRESIDENT OF INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS



Dr. Kevin Granger, who has spent the better part of 32 years with Texas Southern University as a student athlete, coach and administrator, begins his sixth year as Vice President of Intercollegiate Athletics.

A native of Scooba, Miss. and a men's basketball legend under TSU legend Robert Moreland in the 1990s, Dr. Granger has applied the same mentality displayed on the hardwood to his position as Vice President of Intercollegiate Athletics as the department has continued to flourish both athletically, fiscally and academically.

Under Dr. Granger's watch, the department has continued to maintain its high standards academically in the Academic Performance Rate (APR) and Graduation Success Rate (GSR) categories with record scores during his tenure. For the second time in three years, TSU has won the SWAC's Academic Success Award which is an award decided upon each member institution's collective ranking in the categories of highest four-year Academic Progress Rate (APR) average, highest single year APR average, and highest Graduate Success Rate (GSR).

On the playing fields, TSU made history this past semester by capturing the 2023-24 Southwestern Athletic Conference C.D. Henry Award, which is presented to the top men's program in the SWAC. This also marked the second time TSU has been presented with the award since its inception in 1969.

Granger has had the opportunity to witness success firsthand as the men's track and field program completed the SWAC trifecta with championships in cross country, indoor and outdoor seasons in 2023-24. The TSU baseball team won its first SWAC Western Division title since 2018 this spring while the men's basketball program wrapped up its seventh straight season with a postseason tournament appearance.

Other highlights that have stood out under Dr. Granger's tenure include back-to-back women's golf SWAC Titles (2022, '23) for the first time ever, a men's SWAC golf championship and NCAA Regional bid (2022)

and three consecutive men's basketball SWAC Tournament Championships (2021-23) along with a pair of NCAA First Four wins in 2021 and 2022. Also under his watch, TSU won its first men's cross country championship since 1993 (2019) and had the longest men's basketball postseason run since 1977 (2019) during the CIT Tournament. On the diamond, the TSU baseball team earned a win over No. 4 Mississippi State (2020). In the fall of 2019, the Tiger football team played its first home game on campus since 2008 as the team returned to a renovated Alexander Durley Stadium which received several upgrades (new scoreboard, fencing, branding fence wraps and ticket booth). Inside the H&PE Arena, Dr. Granger has consistently made upgrades to the facility as he helped secure a brand new video board in 2019 while also securing a brand new jumbotron board which made its debut in August of 2023. Both boards have enhanced the overall gameday experience in addition to creating another revenue stream.

Several years ago, the famed TSU Ocean Of Soul Marching Band, TSU Cheerleaders and Dance Team (Tiger Sensations) were placed under the watch of Dr. Granger and TSU Department of Athletics. Since the transition, all programs have flourished as the band has made several nationally televised appearances across the country while TSU Cheer made history as the first HBCU to win a national title at the 2023 National Cheerleaders Association (NCA) College National Championship. In addition, the TSU Sensations made history in the summer of 2023 as they earned a bronze bid to National Dance Alliance (NDA) College Nationals in Daytona Beach, Fla. in 2024.

In addition, Texas Southern University was one of only 18 NCAA Division I institutions and the only one in the state of Texas to earn an "A" grade in regards to hiring female head coaches based on the 2019-20 Women in College Coaching Report Card conducted by the Tucker Center for Research on Girls & Women in Sport and WeCOACH. TSU is in rare company as only 18 of 351 NCAA Division I institutions and was the lone one from the Southwestern Athletic Conference to earn an "A" grade as the university sponsors nine female sports with seven of them led by female head coaches. During the 2020-21 cycle, TSU repeated with an "A" grade as the only school in the SWAC and one of only 23 NCAA Division I institutions nationally.

Academically, TSU has continued making strides as 15-of-16 programs finished the 2020 spring semester with a 3.0 or higher cumulative grade point average (GPA). On the APR front, TSU had 12 teams score 950 or higher in the latest NCAA APR report while no APR penalties will be levied for the 11th consecutive year. The women's golf team recorded the highest multi-year APR in the SWAC (1,000) amongst its respective programs while the women's basketball team also tied in its category for the highest multi-year rate in the SWAC (974) while the soccer and softball teams also recorded its best scores in program history. The department continues to make major strides with its Graduation Success Rate (GSR) as TSU has posted its highest GSR in school history. In the spring of 2023, a pair of TSU student-athletes made history as they were both named the TSU Valedictorian and Salutatorian. It also marked the second time in four years a student-athlete has captured the award as men's basketball former student-athlete Divonte Lumpkin was named Salutatorian in Spring 2019.

Fiscally, Dr. Granger secured the largest single gift in TSU athletic history as the department received a video board for Durlay Stadium courtesy of the Harris



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County Sports Authority, BBVA Stadium and the Houston Dynamo in February of 2020. Dr. Granger also has revamped the department's fundraising initiatives with the implementation of the AD's Legends Club and other giving initiatives in addition to securing additional corporate partnerships with area businesses.

Prior to his appointment as the Vice President of Intercollegiate Athletics, Dr. Granger served as TSU's Athletic Operations Manager from 2008-2018 as his primary responsibilities included processing athletic contracts, team travel, ticketing and managing TSU athletic facilities.

Before he moved over to athletics administration, Dr. Granger cut his teeth in the coaching ranks on both the collegiate and high school levels. He started out as an assistant under Robert Moreland before accepting the position of head coach at Houston's Worthing High School from 2001 to 2007. In his final season at Worthing, Dr. Granger led the Colts to a 19-4A District Championship and advanced to the finals of the Class 4A Regional Tournament en route to earning 19-4A Coach of the Year honors.

In the summer of 2007, Dr. Granger returned for a second stint as an assistant coach at TSU as Robert Moreland was asked to serve on an interim basis prior to the 2007-08 season. Dr. Granger showed flashes of what was to come in terms of leadership as he led TSU to its first-ever win over Texas A&M-Corpus Christi as Moreland was unavailable for that contest due to a prior commitment.

Dr. Granger was a standout student-athlete at Texas Southern from 1992-96. During his career as a Tiger, he was SWAC Freshman of the Year (1992), two-time Black College All-American, MVP of SWAC Tournament (1994) and was a member of two SWAC Tournament Championship Teams (1994 and 1995). He played on some of the most exciting teams in TSU history which recorded wins over historic programs while going head-to-head with future NBA stars.

In 1996, Dr. Granger was the NCAA's Division I scoring leader with 27 points per game and received the President's Award that same year as the top student-athlete at TSU. He still ranks among the all-time greats in Texas Southern basketball history in several categories as his number (10) was retired by Texas Southern in 2002. After his career at TSU came to a close, Dr. Granger spent three years playing professional basketball overseas in Italy, Cyprus and Argentina while also having an opportunity to participate in an NBA training camp.

In 2015, Dr. Granger was selected for induction into the Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) Hall of Fame and was named to the 2024 TSU Athletics Hall of Fame Class.

Dr. Granger holds a Bachelor's degree in Business from Texas Southern (2000) as well as a Master's degree in Health Education (2014). He received Doctor of Education (EdD) degree in Curriculum and Instruction from TSU in May of 2022. He is married to Tracy and has three sons Vasquez Haynes, Kevin, Jr. (TSU alumnus), Kolby (TSU student-athlete) and one daughter Kennah.



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## CRIS DISHMAN HEAD COACH



Texas Southern University Vice President for Intercollegiate Athletics Dr. Kevin Granger announced in January the hiring of Cris Dishman as the 18th head football coach.

A two-time NFL Pro-Bowl selection, Dishman comes to TSU after 13 successful years in the NFL and 19 years of coaching experience at the collegiate and professional levels. After earning a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from Purdue University, he was drafted by the Houston Oilers in 1988. Dishman played spent eight years with the Oilers, two years with the Washington Commanders and Kansas City Chiefs, his final season with the Minnesota Vikings.

"Cris Dishman is an experienced football coach whose accomplishments as a player and coach make him an excellent choice to lead our football program into the future," said Vice President for Intercollegiate Athletics Dr. Kevin Granger. "Even more important, he is a man of character who, in his own words, 'seeks to make his players into better brothers, fathers, and husbands.' I appreciate the

Board of Regents' bold, strategic approach to finding new opportunities to elevate Texas Southern University. I look forward to working with Coach Dishman to bring new levels of success to TSU Football."

Dishman comes to TSU after spending the last two seasons as Defensive Coordinator of the XFL's Las Vegas Vipers. Prior to joining the Vipers, he spent the 2022 season as the Defensive Coordinator for the United States Football League's New Jersey Generals. During his lone season with the Generals, the team boasted the top rushing defense in the USFL. His team also ranked second in rushing defense and interceptions, and third in scoring defense.

"The Board of Regents is thrilled to welcome Head Football Coach Cris Dishman to Texas Southern University," said TSU Board of Regents Chairman Brandon L. Simmons. "Coach Dishman is an experienced coach, professional football player, and businessman. We are excited to see his leadership lead to wins and his mentorship contribute to student success. We appreciate Dr. Granger and Interim President Dr. Mary Evans Sias' leadership of this deliberate process. This hire will be the first of many across our campus in 2024 that continue to improve the university's ability to deliver education and economic opportunity for TSU students."

He has coached defenses at the professional, collegiate, and prep levels. He entered coaching as the Defensive Back Coach for the NFL Europe's Berlin Thunder. He was a Defensive Back Intern for



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the Oakland Raiders (2005 and 2007), the Miami Dolphins (2006), and Arizona Cardinals (2017). From 2006-2008, he served as the Defensive Coordinator (Secondary) at Menlo College (NCAA Division III). He also served as the Assistant Defensive Back Coach for the San Diego Chargers (2008-2013). During his time with the Chargers, the passing defense improved from 31st in the NFL to 1st. His spent the 2015-2016 season as Safeties Coach at Baylor University. Dishman spent a season as the Defensive Back Coach of the Montreal Alouettes (CFL) before returning to

the college ranks as Defensive Back Coach at McNeese State University. He was also the Defensive Back Coach of the XFL's New York Guardians (2019-2020), and he coached some of the top high school prospects as Defensive Coordinator of prep powerhouse IMG Academy.

"I want everyone in Tigerland to know that we're going to put together a good team, a good staff, and everyone has to do their job and be all in for TSU football," Dishman said.

Dishman and his wife Jennifer have four adult children.

## THE DISHMAN FILE

### PERSONAL

**Birthdate:** August 13, 1965  
**Hometown:** Louisville, Ky.  
**Family:** **Wife:** Jennifer  
**Children:** 4

### EDUCATION

**High School:** St. Francis DeSales High School, Louisville, Ky.  
**College:** Purdue University '88 (B.A. Criminal Justice)

### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

Wide Receiver St. Francis DeSales HS  
Cornerback Purdue University, 1983-88  
Houston Oilers, 1988-96 (NFL)  
Washington Redskins, 1996-98 (NFL)  
Kansas City Chiefs, 1998-99 (NFL)  
Minnesota Vikings, 1999-00 (NFL)

### COACHING EXPERIENCE

<u>2024-</u>	<b>Texas Southern (Head Coach)</b>
2022-23	Las Vegas Vipers (Def. Coordinator)
2022	N.J. Generals (Def. Coordinator)
2020-21	IMG Academy (Def. Coordinator)
2019-20	NY Guardians (DB Coach)
2019	McNeese State (Safeties)
2018	Montreal Alouettes (DB Coach)
2018	Your Call Football (Secondary)
2017	Arizona Cardinals (DB Intern)
2015-16	Baylor University (Safeties)
2008-13	San Diego Chargers (Asst. DB)
2007	Oakland Raiders (DB Intern)
2006	Miami Dolphins (DB Intern)
2006-08	Menlo College (Def. Coordinator)
2005	Oakland Raiders (DB Intern)
2005	Berlin Thunder (DB Coach)



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## 2024 ASSISTANT COACHES & STAFF



**STEVEN SMITH**  
Offensive Coordinator / OL



**BILLY PARKER**  
Defensive Coordinator/ S



**JERWIN WILSON**  
Assistant HC/WR/Recruiting



**DERRICK MATTHEWS**  
Linebackers/NFL Liaison



**ZERRICK ROLLINS**  
Quarterbacks



**MATT PASSWATERS**  
Defensive Line



**DESHAWN HANEY**  
Tight Ends



**KIMBLE ANDERS**  
Running Backs



**CHARLES NICHOLS**  
Chief of Staff



**JUSTIN SORRELL**  
Dir. of Human Performance



**JONAS SEAWRIGHT**  
Dir. of Human Performance



**BILLY OWENS**  
Offensive Assistant



**HAROLD SMITH**  
Alumni Relations



**ISAAC WILLIAMS**  
Student Assistant



**ANTHONY JOUBERT**  
Equipment Manager



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**DEREK MORTON**  
Offensive Assistant



**DANTE PROCTOR, JR.**  
Offensive Assistant



**TEDRIC HARRIS**  
Assistant DB



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### Team Results

Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
* 09/02/2023	Prairie View	Lot1	34-37	18271
09/09/2023	at Toledo	L	3-71	22743
09/16/2023	at Rice	L	7-59	18103
* 09/23/2023	at Grambling	L	23-35	4741
09/29/2023	Lincoln (CA)	W	52-7	6352
* 10/14/2023	at Bethune-Cookman	W	34-31	9458
* 10/21/2023	Florida A&M	L	21-31	8956
* 10/28/2023	at Southern U.	Lot1	17-23	19662
* 11/04/2023	at Jackson St.	L	19-21	22819
* 11/11/2023	Alcorn	W	44-10	3987
* 11/18/2023	Ark.-Pine Bluff	L	34-35	3482

### Game Records

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES	3-7	2-2	1-5	0-0
CONFERENCE	2-5	1-2	1-3	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	1-2	1-0	0-2	0-0

### Rushing

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
LaDarius Owens	10	177	1260	33	1227	6.9	8	77	122.7
Jacorey Howard	10	65	378	16	362	5.6	6	42	36.2
Jace Wilson	9	72	308	164	144	2.0	2	28	16.0
Andrew Body	1	10	64	0	64	6.4	0	13	64.0
Da'Veon Ford	4	19	69	7	62	3.3	0	13	15.5
Jonathan Lewis	3	2	27	0	27	13.5	1	23	9.0
Jordan Davis	4	5	26	0	26	5.2	0	12	6.5
Jacob Washington	2	2	26	0	26	13.0	0	22	13.0
Quaydarius Davis	10	1	8	0	8	8.0	0	8	0.8
Mikeviun Titus	1	1	2	0	2	2.0	0	2	2.0
Aj Bennett	5	1	0	9	-9	-9.0	0	0	-1.8
Patrick Hellen	9	1	0	30	-30	-30.0	0	0	-3.3
Team	10	3	4	1	3	1.0	0	0	0.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>2172</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>1912</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>191.2</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>431</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>1742</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>174.2</b>

### Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Jace Wilson	9	124.6	126-220-5	57.3	1490	10	67	165.6
Andrew Body	1	120.9	18-38-3	47.4	286	3	46	286.0
Jordan Davis	4	298.2	3-4-0	75.0	67	1	51	16.8
Trenton Leary	7	556.0	1-1-0	100.0	15	1	15	2.1
Team	10	0.0	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>127.9</b>	<b>148-264-8</b>	<b>56.1</b>	<b>1858</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>185.8</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>131.9</b>	<b>170-294-5</b>	<b>57.8</b>	<b>2044</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>204.4</b>

### Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Jyrin Johnson	10	37	405	10.9	4	37	40.5
Quaydarius Davis	10	34	384	11.3	1	48	38.4
Trenton Leary	7	20	331	16.6	2	67	47.3
C'ing Blanton	6	13	141	10.8	2	20	23.5
LaDarius Owens	10	10	102	10.2	0	33	10.2
Eyan Means	10	9	107	11.9	1	34	10.7
Aj Bennett	5	8	134	16.8	3	41	26.8
Derek Morton	5	4	82	20.5	0	31	16.4
Tavaris Achane	7	3	65	21.7	1	51	9.3
Jacorey Howard	10	3	18	6.0	0	9	1.8
Kerien Charlo	5	3	64	21.3	1	32	12.8
Dylan Hamilton	5	2	6	3.0	0	6	1.2
Da'Veon Ford	4	1	11	11.0	0	11	2.8
Savion Sims	6	1	8	8.0	0	8	1.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>1858</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>185.8</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>2044</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>204.4</b>

### Team Statistics

	TSU	OPP
<b>First Downs</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>217</b>
Rushing	97	96
Passing	76	92
Penalty	17	29
<b>Rushing Yardage</b>	<b>1912</b>	<b>1742</b>
Rushing attempts	359	431
Average per rush	5.3	4.0
Average per game	191.2	174.2
TDs Rushing	17	25
<b>Passing Yardage</b>	<b>1858</b>	<b>2044</b>
Comp-Att-Int	148-264-8	170-294-5
Average per pass	7.0	7.0
Average per catch	12.6	12.0
Average per game	185.8	204.4
TDs Passing	15	17
<b>Total offense</b>	<b>3770</b>	<b>3786</b>
Average per play	6.1	5.2
Average per game	377.0	378.6
<b>Kick returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>32-611</b>	<b>39-632</b>
<b>Punt returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>18-206</b>	<b>11-59</b>
<b>Int returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>5-50</b>	<b>8-68</b>
<b>Fumbles-Lost</b>	<b>13-6</b>	<b>10-5</b>
<b>Penalties-Yards</b>	<b>89-835</b>	<b>63-593</b>
<b>Punts-Avg</b>	<b>50-36.7</b>	<b>48-41.5</b>
<b>Time of possession / game</b>	<b>26:31</b>	<b>33:29</b>
<b>3rd-down conversion</b>	<b>45/123</b>	<b>69/155</b>
<b>4rd-down conversion</b>	<b>4/10</b>	<b>14/21</b>
<b>PAT-attempts</b>	<b>(29-31) 94%</b>	<b>(41-41) 100%</b>
<b>2-point conversion-attempts</b>	<b>(0-2) 0%</b>	<b>(1-1) 100%</b>

### Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Ja'Corey Benjamin	2	43	21.5	0	43
Xavier Player	2	7	3.5	0	7
Javius Williams	1	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23</b>





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### Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Curtis Falkenburg	6-11	54.5	0-0	2-3	2-3	2-5	0-0	41	1
Gustavo Romero	2-4	50.0	0-0	2-3	0-0	0-1	0-0	24	0
Christian Avelar	1-1	100.0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-0	0-0	38	0
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>8-11</b>	<b>72.7</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>3-3</b>	<b>3-4</b>	<b>1-3</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>0</b>

### Scoring

Player	td	fg	PAT						pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass	dxp	saf	
LaDarius Owens	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48
Curtis Falkenburg	-	6-11	20-20	-	-	-	-	-	38
Jacorey Howard	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Jyrin Johnson	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
AJ Bennett	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Gustavo Romero	-	2-4	9-11	-	-	-	-	-	15
C'ing Blanton	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Jace Wilson	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Trenton Leary	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Tavaris Achane	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Eyan Means	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Jonathan Lewis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Jacob Williams	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Quaydarius Davis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Kerien Charlo	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Christian Avelar	-	1-1	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>9-16</b>	<b>29-31</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>254</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>8-11</b>	<b>41-41</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>325</b>

### Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
Texas Southern	48	100	57	49	0	254
Opponents	85	97	66	68	9	325

### Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Patrick Hellen	45	1694	37.6	52	1	19	12	2	0
Christian Avelar	3	97	32.3	36	0	0	2	0	0
Team	2	42	21.0	0	0	1	0	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>1833</b>	<b>36.7</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>1994</b>	<b>41.5</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>

### Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Trenton Leary	8	130	16.3	0	39
AJ Bennett	3	37	12.3	0	33
Chauzavia Lewis	3	25	8.3	0	9
LaDarius Owens	2	4	2.0	0	6
Kerien Charlo	2	10	5.0	0	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>

### Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
LaDarius Owens	16	365	22.8	0	49
Chauzavia Lewis	9	138	15.3	0	32
AJ Bennett	4	76	19.0	0	34
Trenton Leary	3	32	10.7	0	23
<b>Total</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>19.1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>632</b>	<b>16.2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>61</b>

### All Purpose

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
LaDarius Owens	10	1227	102	4	365	0	1698	169.8
Trenton Leary	7	0	331	130	32	0	493	70.4
Jyrin Johnson	10	0	405	0	0	0	405	40.5
Quaydarius Davis	10	8	384	0	0	0	392	39.2
Jacorey Howard	10	362	18	0	0	0	380	38.0
AJ Bennett	5	-9	134	37	76	0	238	47.6
Chauzavia Lewis	2	0	0	25	138	0	163	81.5
Jace Wilson	9	144	0	0	0	0	144	16.0
C'ing Blanton	6	0	141	0	0	0	141	23.5
Eyan Means	10	0	107	0	0	0	107	10.7
Derek Morton	5	0	82	0	0	0	82	16.4
Kerien Charlo	5	0	64	10	0	0	74	14.8
Da'Veon Ford	4	62	11	0	0	0	73	18.3
Tavaris Achane	7	0	65	0	0	0	65	9.3
Andrew Body	1	64	0	0	0	0	64	64.0
Ja'Corey Benjamin	10	0	0	0	0	43	43	4.3
Jonathan Lewis	3	27	0	0	0	0	27	9.0
Jordan Davis	4	26	0	0	0	0	26	6.5
Jacob Washington	2	26	0	0	0	0	26	13.0
Savion Sims	6	0	8	0	0	0	8	1.3
Xavier Player	10	0	0	0	0	7	7	0.7
Dylan Hamilton	5	0	6	0	0	0	6	1.2
Mikeviun Titus	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	2.0
Patrick Hellen	9	-30	0	0	0	0	-30	-3.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1912</b>	<b>1858</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>4637</b>	<b>463.7</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1742</b>	<b>2044</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>632</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>4545</b>	<b>454.5</b>

### Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Jace Wilson	9	292	144	1490	1634	181.6
LaDarius Owens	10	177	1227	0	1227	122.7
Jacorey Howard	10	65	362	0	362	36.2
Andrew Body	1	48	64	286	350	350.0
Jordan Davis	4	9	26	67	93	23.3
Da'Veon Ford	4	19	62	0	62	15.5
Jonathan Lewis	3	2	27	0	27	9.0
Jacob Washington	2	2	26	0	26	13.0
Trenton Leary	7	1	0	15	15	2.1
Quaydarius Davis	10	1	8	0	8	0.8
Mikeviun Titus	1	1	2	0	2	2.0
AJ Bennett	5	1	-9	0	-9	-1.8
Patrick Hellen	9	1	-30	0	-30	-3.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>623</b>	<b>1912</b>	<b>1858</b>	<b>3770</b>	<b>377.0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>1742</b>	<b>2044</b>	<b>3786</b>	<b>378.6</b>





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## Team Defense

##	Player	gp	Tackles			tfl/yds	Sacks no-yds	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot			int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick	saf
11	Jacob Williams	10	45	53	98	18.5-74	8-51	.	4	1	1-95	1	.	.
2	Isaiah Bogerty	10	38	43	81	7-29	2.5-15	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
24	Javius Williams	10	35	25	60	6.5-28	3-23	1-0	2	1	1-7	1	.	.
43	Canary Simmons	10	29	24	53	1.5-8	.	.	2	.	1-0	2	.	.
5	Elinus Noel III	9	20	28	48	7.5-28	3.5-23	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
6	Calvin Henderson	8	23	21	44	2.5-8	.	.	6	.	.	1	.	.
26	Nahamani Harris	9	25	19	44	1-2	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
8	Ja'Corey Benjamin	10	27	14	41	1-1	.	2-43	4	.	.	.	.	.
38	Josiah Hardman	8	18	14	32	3-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
9	Michael Akins	10	9	17	26	9.5-24	1.5-5	.	.	1	.	1	.	.
0	Viramontes Pippens	10	13	11	24	1-1	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
48	KeShon Spraggins	9	5	14	19	0.5-1	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
17	Xavier Player	10	11	8	19	.	.	2-7	4	.	.	.	.	.
42	Jadrian McGraw	5	13	5	18	1-3	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
72	Brian Booker	8	6	12	18	2-11	1-9	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
94	David Walker	7	10	6	16	3-12	2-9	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
1	Charles George	6	3	12	15	.	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
31	Perry Wells	10	8	4	12	1-4	.	.	4	.	.	.	.	.
33	Xavier Goynes	8	7	5	12	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
52	Umar Yaro	9	6	5	11	1-1	1-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	Nick Cotton	6	6	3	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
46	Alex Bouldin	7	3	6	9	0.5-2	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
92	Gabe Smith	6	2	6	8	0.5-1	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
41	Xavier Kately	8	4	4	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
97	Quinton Cook	7	3	4	7	1.5-10	1-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30	Marques Neal	4	4	3	7	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
98	Atravon Bossier	4	1	4	5	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
96	Walteze Champ	3	1	4	5	1-4	0.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
99	Rolland Trent	5	.	4	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
36	DeMichael Porter	4	.	3	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
82	Aaron Powell	2	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
2	Savion Sims	6	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
71	Ethan Cox	5	.	2	2	0.5-3	0.5-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
66	Nicholas Taylor	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	C'ing Blanton	6	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1	Andrew Body	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
6	Dylan Hamilton	5	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
32	Demarcus Hall	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
12	Trenton Leary	7	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
95	Thurman Rayborn	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
16	Curtis Falkenburg	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Totals</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>386</b>	<b>770</b>	<b>72-262</b>	<b>25-150</b>	<b>5-50</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5-102</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Opponents		10	357	254	611	54-202	22-134	8-68	19	9	6-0	9	3	0





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	TSU	OPP
<b>Scoring</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>325</b>
Points per game	25.4	32.5
Points Off Turnovers	28	45
<b>First Downs</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>217</b>
Rushing	97	96
Passing	76	92
Penalty	17	29
<b>Rushing Yardage</b>	<b>1912</b>	<b>1742</b>
Yards gained rushing	2172	2023
Yards lost rushing	260	281
Rushing attempts	359	431
Average per rush	5.3	4.0
Average per game	191.2	174.2
TDs Rushing	17	25
<b>Passing Yardage</b>	<b>1858</b>	<b>2044</b>
Comp-Att-Int	148-264-8	170-294-5
Average per pass	7.0	7.0
Average per catch	12.6	12.0
Average per game	185.8	204.4
TDs Passing	15	17
<b>Total offense</b>	<b>3770</b>	<b>3786</b>
Total plays	623	725
Average per play	6.1	5.2
Average per game	377.0	378.6
<b>Kick returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>32-611</b>	<b>39-632</b>
<b>Punt returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>18-206</b>	<b>11-59</b>
<b>Int returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>5-50</b>	<b>8-68</b>
<b>Kick return average</b>	<b>19.1</b>	<b>16.2</b>
<b>Punt return average</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>5.4</b>
<b>Int return average</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>8.5</b>
<b>Fumbles-Lost</b>	<b>13-6</b>	<b>10-5</b>
<b>Penalties-Yards</b>	<b>89-835</b>	<b>63-593</b>
Average per game	83.5	59.3
<b>Punts-Yards</b>	<b>50-1833</b>	<b>48-1994</b>
Average per punt	36.7	41.5
Net punt average	34.6	36.6
<b>Kickoffs-Yards</b>	<b>50-2720</b>	<b>58-3371</b>
Average per kick	54.4	58.1
Net kick average	37.8	38.3
<b>Time of possession / game</b>	<b>26:31</b>	<b>33:29</b>
<b>3rd-down conversion</b>	<b>45/123</b>	<b>69/155</b>
3rd-down pct	37%	45%
<b>4rd-down conversion</b>	<b>4/10</b>	<b>14/21</b>





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