



**FOOTBALL**

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The 11th season of football at Berry College will kickoff here tonight at Williams Field at Valhalla Stadium as the Vikings square off with a tough regional opponent in Huntingdon.

“Preseason went really well for us,” said Berry head coach Tony Kunczewski. “We’ve got a ton of experience coming back with eight starters on offense and eight on defense returning. The chemistry on this team has been great and the vibe has started to get back towards what it was prior to the pandemic.”

Yet Coach Kunczewski is well aware that chemistry only gets a team so far. “You still have to have the talent to go with it,” he said. “We’ve got Blake Hembree coming back as our starting quarterback after six starts last season. We’ve got both of our running backs in Brandon Cade and Josh Rogers (*pictured right*) coming back. We had three offensive linemen that started as freshmen and sophomores that are now upperclassmen, and we have the SAA Lineman of the Year back in Tonny Garcia.”



The group on offense with the least returning experience is at wide receiver; however, the talent is obviously there to be seen according to Coach Kunczewski. “We’ve got Bryce Herring back after winning SAA Newcomer of the Year last season,” he said. “We’ve also got Deiondre Wilson and Khamari Smith out there who can catch passes. Walker Williams (*pictured next page*) can make a lot of plays at the tight end spot. On top of that, we’ve got a lot of depth at a lot of places, which can only help us.”



Defensively, the heart and soul of the Berry defense returns in linebacker Brock Skinner (*pictured left*), who is using his fifth year of eligibility to compete for the Vikings. “He’s one of the best leaders we could ask for,” Coach Kunczewski said. “He played in five games last year, and three of the five he played on one foot. He’s just a special player.”

The Vikings also have depth with upperclassmen in the secondary. Seniors Nick Willis and Kristofer

Thomas will anchor the corner spots, with juniors Mekhi Tchassama and Jarae Foster both backing up as juniors. Senior John Mancuso will play one of the safety positions, with junior Jake Whitten earning the start at the other spot.

Senior Kuanas Walker will help to anchor the interior of the Berry defensive line while being flanked by juniors Jaden Melville and Luke Carlton.

“I think we’ll be successful if we don’t beat ourselves,” Coach Kunczewski said. “We did a good job of taking care of the ball, but we didn’t do a good job of creating turnovers on defense. That’s been one of the things we’ve really worked on in the preseason. We played good defense last year, but to be great, we need to get more takeaways.”

Berry’s biggest question marks early in the season could come on special teams. After losing double All-SAA performer Mathew Syverson, the Vikings will turn to senior Charlie Bell on kicks and sophomore Trey Richards on punts. “Losing someone like Matthew hurts because he did so much for us, but we think we will be good to go with Charlie and Trey,” Coach Kunczewski said.

It won't take long for Berry to find out how good its season will be. Huntingdon will provide a stern test as a team that is nearly a mirror image in the won-loss column as Berry over the past eight seasons. The Hawks are 60-21 (.741) with seven USA South championships over the past eight years. Berry is 63-16 (.797) with five SAA championships over the past eight seasons. The two sides have only met twice on the gridiron, with both contests coming in the NCAA playoffs. Each team has won one contest against the other.

The Vikings will have their yearly match-up with LaGrange next weekend in LaGrange, Ga., before an open week. SAA play begins Sept. 23 in Danville, Ky., against Centre. In last season's match-up, the Vikings won 31-30 in overtime after a blocked extra point attempt. A week later, perennial power Trinity visits Valhalla Stadium. With four tough games to start the season, Berry and Coach Kunczewski will know how the team is shaping up before the calendar flips to October.

"The conference has gotten a lot better," Coach Kunczewski said. "Trinity is a team that ranks in the top-five nationally. Centre has been really good. Hendrix has had solid seasons. But our standard has been set by winning five SAA championships in 10 years. The goal is to win the SAA, but we've never finished nationally in the Top 10 and that's something we'd like to accomplish."

Still, Coach Kunczewski knows that all those goals come with winning one game at a time. "There's a lot of talented teams that we play early on," he said. "There's no guarantees but we will find out by the end of September how good we really are."



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# Head Coach Tony Kunczewski



Tony Kunczewski was named the first head football coach in Berry College history on April 16, 2012.

Kunczewski spearheaded the creation of Berry's football program which claimed its first Southern Athletic Association (SAA) Championship in 2016, just the fourth year of the program's existence. Including the program's first championship, the team has won five straight conference championships and advanced to the NCAA Playoffs three times.

In 10 seasons at the helm of the Vikings, Kunczewski has compiled a 65-33 overall record and an impressive 32-3 record at Valhalla Stadium, Berry's home venue. He has coached 152 All-Conference selections, nine SAA major award winners, over 200 SAA Academic Honor Roll honorees, a Geico Play of the Year winner and earned the league's Coach of the Year honor four times.

Kunczewski's 2020-21 team finished the year 4-0 during the pandemic-shortened season, claiming the SAA championship for the fifth consecutive season. 17 Vikings earned All-SAA honors including Brock Skinner who claimed the league's SAA Special Teams Player of the Year award. In 2019, the program's last full season of competition prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, the team finished 9-2 after advancing to the NCAA playoffs for the third year straight year.

Prior to Berry, Kunczewski was the defensive coordinator and head strength and conditioning coach at LaGrange for seven seasons, helping develop all aspects of the start-up program from its inception.

He helped build its football program from scratch and reach the NCAA Division III playoffs in just its third season. The program began intercollegiate competition in 2006 and in 2008

finished with a 9-2 overall record, recorded the largest single-season improvement in NCAA Division III football history and reached the national playoffs in the third fastest amount of time from start-up in Division III history.

That season, Kunczewski's defense ranked 18th nationally in total defense, fifth in pass defense, 15th in sacks and sixth in tackles for loss, leading the St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference in total defense, pass defense and sacks. In 2011, LaGrange was ranked 44th nationally in total defense.

In six seasons with the Panthers, Kunczewski coached nine All-Conference defensive selections, including the league's Defensive Player of the Year, and had four players selected to play in the Tazon de Estrellas All-Star game in Mexico. Away from the field, Kunczewski supervised the efforts of LaGrange's players in the Communities in Schools program, sending student-athletes into local elementary schools to help students with reading skills.

Prior to joining LaGrange, Kunczewski served as an assistant coach at both Bowdoin College in Maine and Allegheny College in Pennsylvania, both of which are members of NCAA Division III. He was at Bowdoin during the 2004-05 academic year as the defensive backs coach. He served at Allegheny from 2001-2004, coaching outside linebackers his first season and inside linebackers the next two years. He was also the co-special teams coordinator and the strength and conditioning coach at Allegheny, while heading up recruiting in the talent-rich areas of Western Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Michigan.

Kunczewski began his collegiate coaching career as the outside linebacker coach at Allegheny during the 2001-02 academic year. That season, Allegheny's defense ranked 10th nationally against the run. In 2003, Kunczewski helped coach an Allegheny squad that became just the second team in NCAA Division III history to rally its way to the national playoffs after starting the season 0-3.

As a student-athlete, Kunczewski was a two-time first-team All-Conference player at Grove City College, in Grove City, Penn. A four-year letter winner at Grove City, Kunczewski earned All-Presidents Athletic Conference honors as a strong safety as a junior in 1998 and as an outside linebacker the following year, when he led the team with 101 tackles. He earned honorable mention All-PAC honors as a cornerback in 1997.

Kunczewski was voted by his Grove City teammates as a team captain in his senior year and was the team's Defensive MVP. Grove City won a pair of PAC championships during Kunczewski's playing career, making the postseason in 1997. Along with his athletic honors, Kunczewski was

also recognized for his academic abilities, earning a spot on the PAC Academic Honor Roll.

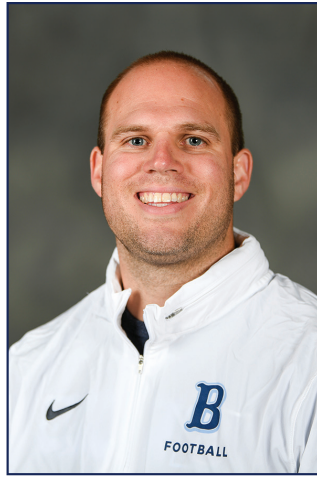
The Harrison City, Penn., native earned a bachelor's degree in business management from Grove City in 2000, and a master's degree in exercise science and health promotion from California University of Pennsylvania in 2004.

Kunczewski and his wife Nicole live in Rome with their daughter Jocelyn and two sons, Sammy and Nathan.

# Berry Assistant Coaches



Colin Duling  
Offensive Coordinator - Quarterbacks /  
Recruiting Coordinator



Joel Elliott  
Defensive Coordinator / Linebackers Coach



John Sikora  
Assistant Coach - Offensive Line



Bernard Granville  
Assistant Coach - Defensive Line



Jesse Williams  
Assistant Coach - Wide Receivers



CaTerius Hinton  
Assistant Coach - Running Backs



Jake Weitkamp  
Assistant Coach - Tight Ends / H-Backs



Alexavier McRae  
Assistant Coach - Corners



Bryant Argote  
Volunteer Assistant Coach - Offensive Line



Connor Cheyunski  
Volunteer Assistant Coach - Linebackers



Jake Weitkamp  
Assistant Coach - Tight Ends / H-Backs



# Berry Football Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Cl.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown / High School
0	Jaden Melville	DL	Jr.	6-3	225	Duluth, Ga. / Duluth HS
0	Khamari Smith	WR	So.	5-11	150	Gadsden, Ala. / Gadsden City HS
1	Nick Best	QB	Jr.	5-11	190	Lawrenceville, Ga. / Peachtree Ridge HS
1	Gage Lee	RN	Fr.	5-10	175	Concord, Ga. / Pike County HS
1	Nick Willis	DB	Sr.	5-9	162	Johns Creek, Ga. / Johns Creek HS
2	Colby Sikes	WR	So.	5-9	180	Dacula, Ga. / Apalachee HS
2	Kristofer Thomas	DB	Sr.	5-8	185	New Braunfels, Texas / Alpharetta HS
3	Brandon Cade	RB	Jr.	5-11	190	Duluth, Ga. / Peachtree Ridge HS
3	John Duncan	DB	Fr.	5-11	170	Knoxville, Tenn. / Farragut High School
3	Mekhi Tchassama	DB	Jr.	5-10	183	Atlanta, Ga. / Booker T. Washington HS
4	Andrew Hunter	QB	Fr.	6-3	180	Huntsville, Ala. / Randolph School
4	Jake Whitten	DB	Jr.	5-11	180	Loganville, Ga. / George Walton Academy
4	Deiondre Wilson	WR	Sr.	5-11	180	Clarksville, Tenn. / Clarksville Academy
5	Curtis Brown	DB	Sr.	5-9	190	Conyers, Ga. / Rockdale County HS
5	Nate Lyons	WR	So.	5-8	170	Smyrna, Ga. / Campbell HS
6	Blake Hembree	QB	Sr.	6-1	197	Villa Rica, Ga. / Alexander HS
6	Joseph Leslie	LB	Fr.	6-0	205	Lawrenceville, Ga. / Brookwood High School
6	Christopher Lewis	LB	So.	5-9	215	Calhoun, Ga. / Calhoun HS
7	Shaquan Brooks	DL	Jr.	5-8	265	Richmond Hill, Ga. / Richmond Hill HS
7	Bryce Herring	WR	So.	5-9	168	Acworth, Ga. / Allatoona HS
7	Holland Stallings	QB	Jr.	6-1	205	Charlotte, N.C. / Providence HS
8	Blade Bryant	RB	Sr.	5-8	175	Calhoun, Ga. / Sonoraville HS
8	Samari Madison	DB	So.	6-0	193	Mount Vernon, Ga. / Montgomery County HS
9	John Mancuso	DB	Sr.	5-11	194	Blairsville, Ga. / Union County HS
9	Josh Rogers	RB	Jr.	5-7	170	Griffin, Ga. / Eagle's Christian Landing Academy
9	Makai Sullivan	DB	Fr.	5-9	165	Newnan, Ga. / East Coweta High School
10	Grady Bryant	LB	Jr.	5-11	200	Grayson, Ga. / Grayson HS
10	Aidan Moore	WR	So.	6-1	212	Canton, Ga. / Cherokee Christian Academy
10	Caleb Peavy	QB	Fr.	6-2	190	Stathan, Ga. / North Oconee HS
11	Nick Palmer	LB	Jr.	6-0	193	Columbus, Ga. / Columbus HS
11	Eli Roberts	TE/H	So.	6-4	205	Ocilla, Ga. / Irwin County HS
12	David Attaochu	DL	Fr.	6-2	225	Kennesaw, Ga. / Kennesaw Mountain High School
12	Kevin Spillane	WR	So.	5-8	172	Odessa, Fla. / Sunlake HS
13	Aaron Horton	DB	So.	6-1	170	Lawrenceville, Ga. / Collins Hill HS
13	Tristan Summers	WR	So.	6-2	205	Canton, Ga. / Creekview HS
14	Kier Jackson	LB	So.	5-11	240	LaGrange, Ga. / Callaway HS
14	Tarin Westbrook	WR	Gr.	5-9	160	Cornelia, Ga. / Habersham Central High School
15	Christian Lewis	QB	So.	5-9	175	Calhoun, Ga. / Calhoun HS
15	Alex Mincey	LB	So.	5-11	227	Lawrenceville, Ga. / Archer HS
15	Mason Snyder	WR	Fr.	5-8	160	Fitzgerald, Ga. / Irwin County High School
16	Jarae Foster	DB	Jr.	5-9	160	Woodstock, Ga. / Woodstock
16	Sam Oberhausen	RB	Fr.	6-0	185	Franklin, Tenn. / Franklin Christian Academy
16	Garrett Weekly	WR	Fr.	6-0	180	Seymour, Tenn. / Friendship Christian School
17	Ethan Corley	DB	Jr.	6-1	190	Gainesville, Ga. / Chestatee HS
17	Eli Warrington	WR	So.	5-11	180	Athens, Ga. / Clarke Central High School
18	Brendan Gray	WR	So.	5-8	155	Calhoun, Ga. / Calhoun HS
18	Deldrick Hill	DL	Jr.	6-0	228	Thomasville, Ga. / Thomasville HS
19	Carson Lathem	DB	So.	5-11	160	Ball Ground, Ga. / River Ridge HS
19	Dai'Shaun Thomas	WR	Fr.	5-10	173	Houston, Texas / McEachern HS
20	Mark Toland	DL	Fr.	6-1	205	Auburn, Ala. / Auburn High School
21	Myles Ivey	RB	Fr.	5-8	160	Flowery Branch, Ga. / Flowery Branch High School
21	Will Johnson	LB	So.	6-2	214	Cornelius, N.C. / Southlake Christian Academy
22	Jamichael Baxter	RB	Jr.	5-8	160	Chattanooga, Tenn. / Chattanooga Christian School
22	Jack Murray	DB	So.	6-0	185	Johns Creek, Ga. / Johns Creek HS
23	Chaz Pope	DB	So.	5-11	190	Spring Garden, Ala. / Spring Garden HS
23	Jax Ulbrich	RB	Fr.	5-10	175	Chattam Township, N.J. / Arizona State University
24	Hemil Con-Roma	DB	Jr.	5-9	155	Ellenwood, Ga. / Arabia Mountain HS
25	Jon Shields	WR	So.	5-8	160	Atlanta, Ga. / Pepperell HS
25	Dreshawn Stevens	LB	So.	5-11	185	Brunswick, Ga. / Glynn Academy HS
26	Dele Abdulsalam	DB	Fr.	6-3	188	Roswell, Ga. / Centennial
26	Carter Morgan	RB	Gr.	5-9	190	Savannah, Ga. / Benedictine Military School
27	McKeon Whitsett	TE/H	So.	6-4	225	Winchester, Tenn. / Franklin County HS



28	Carver Cole	LB	So.	6-0	232	Highland, Utah / Skyridge High School
29	Luke Welsh	LB	Jr.	6-1	230	Spring Garden, Ala. / Spring Garden HS
30	Liam Jeffries	LB	Fr.	6-1	190	Dallas, GA / Paulding County High School
31	William Solomon	DB	Fr.	5-10	170	Baxley, GA / Appling County High School
32	Brant Bryant	LB	Fr.	6-2	175	Adairsville, GA / Sonoraville High School
33	Hunter Coleman	TE/H	So.	6-4	231	Woodstock, Ga. / River Ridge HS
34	Charlie Sims	DL	Sr.	6-2	255	Hiram, Ga. / Hiram HS
35	Klark Cleveland	LB	Fr.	5-11	185	Auburn, Ala. / Auburn High School
36	Todd Gaddy	DB	Fr.	5-10	175	Rydal, Ga. / Cass High School
37	Gian Traverzo	DB	Fr.	5-10	175	Waverly Hall, Ga. / Harris County High School
38	Mason McFayden	DB	So.	6-0	170	Goldsboro, Md. / North Caroline HS
39	Melo Rush	DL	Fr.	5-10	205	McDonough, Ga. / Union Grove High School
40	Jeronimo Marin	DL	So.	6-0	214	Gainsville, Ga. / Chestatee HS
41	Trenton Hayberg	LB	So.	5-11	195	Acworth, Ga. / Harrison HS
42	Ashton Bridwell	LB	Fr.	6-0	215	Suwanee, Ga. / Peachtree Ridge High School
43	Brock Skinner	LB	Gr.	6-0	195	Hoschton, Ga. / Mill Creek HS
45	Dawson Livingston	LB	So.	5-11	245	Jackson, Ga. / Jackson HS
46	Harrison Hood	DL	So.	6-1	231	Canton, Ga. / Sequoyah HS
47	Daniel James	LB	Fr.	6-1	200	Ocila, Ga. / Fitzgerald High School
48	JP Perry	DL	Sr.	5-11	210	Cartersville, Ga. / Cass HS
49	Colson Montgomery	LB	Fr.	5-10	200	San Diego, Calif. / Mount Carmel High School
50	Colton Simmer	OL	Jr.	6-1	265	Powder Springs, Ga. / Harrison HS
51	Riley Stevens	OL	So.	6-1	255	St. Augustine, Fla. / St. Augustine HS
52	Caleb Brecher	OL	Fr.	6-3	240	Clearwater, Fla. /
53	Martin Ramos	LB	So.	5-11	208	Venice, Fla. / Venice HS
54	Hayden Cagle	OL	Jr.	6-2	268	Cartersville, Ga. / Cartersville HS
56	Al Williams	DL	Sr.	6-1	225	Hiram, Ga. / Hiram HS
57	Marcus Head	OL	Fr.	6-0	270	Snellville, Ga. / Shiloh High School
60	David Billiard	OL	Sr.	6-3	262	Charlotte, N.C. / Covenant Day School
62	McCormack Langford	OL	Fr.	5-1	260	Guntersville, Ala. / Guntersville High School
63	Connor Iams	OL	Fr.	6-4	235	Central, S.C. / DW Daniel High School
64	Garner Dias	OL	So.	6-1	250	Dallas, Ga. / East Paulding HS
65	Jacob Atkinson	OL	So.	6-2	280	Winder, Ga. / Winder-Barrow HS
66	Cody Garner	OL	So.	6-1	255	Dallas, Ga. / East Paulding HS
67	Tripp Duncan	OL	So.	6-3	245	Columbus, Ga. / Brookstone HS
68	Ryan Bright	OL	So.	6-1	275	Blakely, Ga. / Early County HS
69	Nigus Ejigu	DL	Sr.	5-10	227	Stone Mountain, Ga. / Druid Hills HS
70	Bryson Hill	OL	Fr.	6-2	285	Jefferson, Ga. / Jefferson High School
71	Max McMahon	OL	Sr.	6-1	283	Metairie, La. / Jesuit HS
72	Reed Richards	OL	So.	6-5	278	Powder Springs, Ga. / Mount Paran Christian School
73	Brady Gray	OL	Fr.	6-3	265	Ringgold, Ga. / Ringgold High School
75	Tonny Garcia	OL	Sr.	6-1	263	Kennesaw, Ga. / Harrison HS
77	Tyler Martin	OL	So.	6-5	262	Cartersville, Ga. / Cass HS
78	Nick Bertram	OL	Fr.	6-6	235	Collierville, Tenn. / Collierville High School
80	Cade Petty	WR	So.	6-0	190	Chatsworth, Ga. / North Murray HS
81	Cason Banks	WR	Fr.	5-11	175	Ailey, Ga. / Vidalia High School
82	JaShaun Brown-Whatley	WR	Fr.	6-2	180	Cartersville, Ga. / Cass High School
84	Isaiah Kimbro	DL	Fr.	6-3	240	White Buff, Tenn. / Franklin Christian Academy
85	Brock Rissmiller	TE/H	Fr.	6-4	220	Charlotte, NC / South Mecklenburg High School
86	Miles Hamby	K/P	Fr.	6-3	250	Dacula, Ga. / Archer High School
87	Walker Williams	TE/H	Jr.	6-4	239	Grayson, Ga. / Grayson HS
88	Michael Holyfield	TE/H	Sr.	6-3	255	Cleveland, Tenn. / Bradley Central HS
89	John David Peacock	TE/H	Fr.	6-2	210	Flowery Branch, Ga. / Flowery Branch High School
90	Jared Weitkamp	DL	Jr.	6-4	260	Woodstock, Ga. / Etowah HS
91	Izaiah Sanders	LB	So.	5-11	236	Canton, Ga. / Sequoyah HS
92	Ben Brookshire	DL	Fr.	6-1	235	Flowery Branch, Ga. / Flowery Branch High School
93	Trey Richards	K/P	So.	6-0	177	Cumming, Ga. / Forsyth Central HS
94	Charlie Bell	K/P	Sr.	5-11	182	Bowdon, Ga. / Bowdon HS
95	Michael Clark	DL	So.	5-8	295	McDonough, Ga. / Eagles Landing Christian Academy
96	Kuannas Walker	DL	Sr.	6-0	260	Douglasville, Ga. / Douglas County HS
97	Colby Brookshire	DL	Sr.	6-2	285	Buford, Ga. / Flowery Branch HS
98	Nick Springer	DL	So.	6-2	223	Kennesaw, Ga. / Harrison HS
99	Luke Carlton	DL	Jr.	6-2	238	Belle Chasse, La. / Jesuit



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No.	Name	Cl.	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School
0	Troy Garner	Jr.	RB	5'10	205	Gordo, Ala./Gordo
1	Kahari McReynolds	Sr.	RB	5'10	205	Geneva, Ala./Geneva
2	Seth Hernandez	Fr.	QB	6'0	183	Panama City Beach, Fla./Arnold
2	Cam Reynolds	Sr.	DB	5'11	190	Oxford, Ala./Lincoln
3	Aidan Quinn	Fr.	QB	6'2	175	Winfield, Ala./Winfield City
3	Jacoby Young	So.	DB	6'0	175	Hobson City, Ala./Munford
4	Austin Champion	Fr.	QB	6'1	195	Wetumpka, Ala./Edgewood Academy
4	Will Pilgrim	Sr.	H	6'1	225	Tuscumbia, Ala./Deshler
4	Andre Woodard	Fr.	DB	5'10	172	Mobile, Ala./Murphy
5	Nathan Cole	Fr.	QB	6'0	185	Frisco City, Ala./JU Blacksher
5	Timothy McReynolds	So.	WR	6'0	175	Geneva, Ala./Geneva
6	Carson Daniel	Sr.	QB	6'2	200	Killen, Ala./Brooks
6	Eric Josey	Fr.	DB	6'0	150	Richland, Ga./Chattahoochee County
7	Tyler England	Sr.	WR	6'0	205	Navarre, Fla./Navarre
7	Will Rice	Fr.	LB			
8	Cal George	Jr.	LB	5'11	195	Punkin Center, Ala./Athens
8	Blake Smith	Jr.	QB	6'1	195	Macon, Ga./ACE Charter
9	Connor Recio	Sr.	H	6'3	218	Tampa, Fla./Timber Creek
9	Aidan Cox	Fr.	QB	5'10	175	Arab, Ala./Arab
9	Dalan Bush	Fr.	LB	5'11	205	Camp Hill, Ala./Lee Scott Academy
10	Miller Park	Sr.	DB	5'10	190	Tuscaloosa, Ala./Hillcrest
10	Jack Poarch	So.	QB	6'3	200	Lincoln, Ala./Lincoln
11	Luke Fisher	Jr.	DB	6'2	190	Flowery Branch, Ga./Flowery Branch
11	Dylan Killingsworth	Sr.	WR	5'10	180	Calera, Ala./Calera
11	Joshua Browder	Fr.	QB	6'0	200	Prattville, Ala./Prattville
12	Kyler Chaney	Sr.	WR	6'3	220	Holly Pond, Ala./Holly Pond
12	Taylor Rothe	Jr.	LB	6'1	205	Moody, Ala./Moody
13	Dorian Smith	So.	QB	6'2	195	Warner Robins, Ga./Fort Walton Beach
13	Denzel Greene	Sr.	DB	5'8	170	Alexander City, Ala./
14	Braden Green	Fr.	QB	5'10	185	Northport, Ala./Northside
14	Zander Bonifay	Jr.	LB	5'11	190	Foley, Ala./Foley
15	Nathan Wright	Fr.	H	6'2	230	Pace, Fla./Milton
15	Jahmir Cromblin	Jr.	DB	5'8	190	Prattville, Ala./
16	Gus Johnson	So.	DB	6'1	190	Gulf Breeze, Fla./Gulf Breeze
16	Benjamin Knight	So.	WR	5'9	170	Montgomery, Ala./Park Crossing
17	Joe Brunson	So.	LB			
17	Sam Fields	Jr.	WR	6'0	175	Brewton, Ala./Escambia Academy
18	Conner Bradford	Sr.	WR	6'0	190	Millbrook, Ala./Stanhope Elmore
18	Cj Figgers	Fr.	DB	6'0	180	Quincy, Fla./Robert F Monroe
19	Alex Londell	So.	K/P	5'7	160	Wetumpka, Ala./Wetumpka
19	RJ White	Jr.	WR	5'11	180	Commerce, Ga./East Jackson Comp.
19	Deontay Averette	Fr.	DB	5'7	165	Flomaton, Ala./Flomaton
20	Keaton Halfacre	So.	WR	6'0	200	Cantonment, Fla./Tate
20	Christopher Gardner, Jr.	Fr.	DB	5'9	175	Mobile, Ala./Mobile Christian
21	Taylor Carr	So.	DB	6'3	180	Gadsden, Ala./Southside
21	Ty Martinez	Sr.	LB	6'0	200	Belle Chasse, La./Belle Chasse
21	Xavion Garrett	So.	RB	5'7	180	
22	Jack Blackman	Jr.	DB	5'10	190	Canton, Ga./Sequoyah
22	Michael Ward	Fr.	H	5'10	210	Slocomb, Ala./
23	Preston Boesen	Jr.	DB	5'10	165	Pensacola, Fla./Booker T. Washington
23	Khameron Hill	Fr.	WR	6'2	220	Columbus, Ga./Northside
24	Jaden Hester	Sr.	RB	5'8	192	Greenville, Ala./Greenville
24	Bailey Huston	Jr.	LB	5'9	195	Des Moines, Ia./Navarre
25	Marcus Brown	So.	DB	5'9	170	Gainesville, Ga./Forsyth Central
25	Antojuan Woody	Fr.	WR	5'9	165	Camp Hill, Ala./Dadeville
26	Trevor Morris	Fr.	WR	5'9	175	Echo, Ala./GW Long
26	Alex Alvarez	So.	DB	6'3	180	Brewton, Ala./WS Neal
27	Gunner Dixon	Fr.	DB	5'9	175	Madison, Ala./Bob Jones
27	Kelby Taylor	Fr.	WR	6'0	180	Aliceville, Ala./Aliceville
28	Austin Colston	Sr.	LB	5'10	204	Marbury, Ala./Marbury
28	Nicholas Thrift	So.	RB	6'0	226	Lillian, Ala./Elberta
29	Karmelo Burton	Fr.	DB	5'8	150	LaGrange, Ga./Callaway
29	James Cheatham	Sr.	RB	5'10	203	Montgomery, Ala./BTW Magnet
30	Logan Lee	Jr.	LS	6'0	195	Reeltown, Ala./Reeltown
30	Jordan Sterling	Fr.	DB	5'10	170	Carrollton, Ala./Aliceville
31	Tyree Haynes	Fr.	RB	5'8	200	Milton, Fla./Milton
31	Jake Jeter	Jr.	LB	5'10	200	Red Level, Ala./Sparta Academy
31	Markell Jordan	So.	DB	5'10	176	Bessemer, Ala./Pleasant Grove
32	Brodie Gillis	So.	LB	5'11	202	Milton, Fla./Milton
32	Jaylon George	Fr.	RB	5'10	208	Lincoln, Ala./Lincoln
33	Trent Tews	Fr.	DB	5'10	175	Daphne, Ala./Daphne
33	Austin Kerchner	Fr.	DL	6'2	225	Echo, Ala./GW Long
33	Rayshawn Williams	Fr.	RB	5'10	195	Gordo, Ala./Gordo
34	Kamern Daniels	Fr.	RB	5'11	220	McKenzie, Ala./McKenzie
34	Chandler Cavoretto	So.	LB	6'1	200	Dacula, Ga./Bethlehem Christian
35	Garrett Simmons	Fr.	RB	5'10	165	Greenville, Ala./Fort Dale Academy
35	Casey Peppers	Sr.	LB	6'1	210	Panama City Beach, Fla./Arnold
36	Elijah Sims	So.	DB	5'11	165	Childersburg, Ala./Childersburg
36	Christian Mendoza	Fr.	LB	5'11	210	Flowery Branch, Ga./Flowery Branch
37	Taashaun Sessions	Fr.	RB	5'10	180	Madison, Ala./Bob Jones
37	Moe Faiupu	Fr.	LB	5'10	180	Fairhope, Ala./
38	Sterling Arnold	Fr.	DB			Greenville, Ala./Fort Dale Academy
38	Ty Brown	Sr.	LB	6'2	220	Alexander City, Ala./Benjamin Russell
39	DJ Green	Fr.	RB	5'10	170	Olive Branch, Miss./Lewisburg

39	Cole Sackman	Fr.	DB	6'0	190	Canton, Ga./Creekview
40	Kye Capolupo	Sr.	LB	5'11	205	Guntersville, Ala./
41	Nic Lee	Sr.	K/P	5'7	140	Pike Road, Ala./Marbury
41	Tucker Spence	Sr.	LB	5'11	205	Uriah, Ala./JU Blacksher
42	Jakarrie McPherson	So.	LB	6'0	200	McKenzie, Ala./McKenzie
42	Hunter Kirkland	Fr.	K/P	6'0	165	Saraland, Ala./Saraland
42	Brody Covington	So.	H	6'1	205	Rogersville, Ala./Lauderdale County
43	Logan Fowler	Fr.	K/P	6'1	175	Dalton, Ga./Coahulla Creek
43	Tate Odom	So.	DL	6'2	230	Gardendale, Ala./Mortimer Jordan
44	Hagen Rouse	Jr.	DL	6'1	255	Lester, Ala./West Limestone
45	Michael Tate	So.	DL	6'1	250	Panama City, Fla./Mosley
45	Cayden Cook	Fr.	H	6'0	260	Valley, Ala./Springwood
46	Noah Courington	Fr.	LB	6'1	235	Jackson, Ala./Jackson Academy
47	Will Edwards	Sr.	K/P	5'9	150	Gadsden, Ala./Westbrook Christian
47	Trey Jones	So.	LB	6'0	195	Selma, Ala./Morgan Academy
48	Max Stephenson	Fr.	LB	6'3	165	Gordo, Ala./Gordo
48	Amos Barton	So.	DL	6'1	220	Marbury, Ala./Marbury
49	JJ O'Bryant	Fr.	LB	5'9	210	Gordo, Ala./Gordo
49	Courtney Ellis	Jr.	DL	5'6	240	Safford, Ala./Hale County
50	Onaje Brooks	Jr.	DL	5'10	313	Alexander City, Ala./Benjamin Russell
50	Joe Lane	So.	OL	6'1	240	Prattville, Ala./Prattville
51	Zach Jenkins	Fr.	LB	5'10	210	Millry, Ala./
51	Preston Turner	Fr.	OL	6'1	280	Lexington, Ala./Lexington
52	Jacob Dean	Fr.	OL	6'1	290	Gurley, Ala./Whitesburg Christian Ac.
52	Cameron Evans	Fr.	LB	6'2	195	Cantonment, Fla./Tate
53	Cameron Cooper	Fr.	LB	6'0	200	Gulf Shores, Ala./Gulf Shores
53	Evan Bergeron	Jr.	DL	5'11	220	Maurice, La./Westminster Christian Ac.
54	Andrew Urnis	Fr.	LB	6'2	230	Prattville, Ala./Marbury
55	Conner Cook	Fr.	LB	5'10	215	Headland, Ala./Headland
55	Ben Barker	Jr.	OL	6'0	305	Wetumpka, Ala./Wetumpka
56	Dylan Walker	Fr.	LB	5'10	200	Haleyville, Ala./Haleyville
56	Chase Lang	Sr.	DL	6'3	283	Calera, Ala./Jemison
57	Korey Anderson	So.	DL	6'0	240	Sylacauga, Ala./BB Comer Memorial
58	Braylon Miller	Fr.	LB	5'11	205	Slocomb, Ala./Slocomb
59	Averie Bennett	Fr.	OL	5'11	220	Jackson, Ala./Jackson
59	Robert Vickers	So.	DL	6'0	250	Headland, Ala./Headland
60	Braden Roark	Fr.	OL	6'2	295	Panama City, Fla./Mosley
61	J.D Hall	Fr.	OL	6'3	290	Arab, Ala./Arab
61	Daevion Brooks	Fr.	LB	6'1	225	Quincy, Fla./Robert F Munroe
62	Noah Turner	Jr.	OL	6'3	290	Wedowee, Ala./Randolph County
62	Tyler Schepker	Fr.	OL	6'3	230	Gulf Shores, Ala./Gulf Shores
63	Cale Buhler	Fr.	OL	6'0	280	Denham Springs, La./Episcopal of Baton Rouge
63	Tylan Hampton	Fr.	LB	6'1	224	Rogersville, Ala./Lauderdale County
64	Korion Salter	Fr.	LB	6'3	205	Dothan, Ala./Dothan
64	Camden Cochran	Jr.	OL	5'11	285	Woodstock, Ga./River Ridge
65	Quent Balckwell	Fr.	OL	6'0	265	Milton, Fla./Milton
66	Jonathan Acuff	Fr.	OL	6'4	309	Milton, Fla./Milton
67	Gary Hood III	Jr.	OL	6'1	263	Millbrook, Ala./Stanhope Elmore
68	Steven Hardison	Jr.	OL	6'0	280	Canton, Ga./Cherokee
69	Blake Wilson	Jr.	OL	6'0	285	Wedowee, Ala./Randolph County
70	Steven Flagg	So.	OL	6'2	260	Salem, Ala./Smith Station
71	Hunter Morton	Fr.	OL	6'0	315	Gulf Shores, Ala./Gulf Shores
72	Guy-Mario Vilsaint	Jr.	OL	5'11	290	Rome, Ga./Rome
73	Whitt Spurlock	Jr.	DL	5'9	285	Columbus, Ga./Northside
74	Xander Earley	So.	OL	6'0	305	Tuscaloosa, Ala./Brookwood
75	Anthony Caraballo	Fr.	OL	6'2	305	Canton, Ga./Creekview
76	David Acuff	Fr.	OL	6'4	315	Milton, Fla./Milton
77	Walt Williams	Sr.	DL	5'10	315	Boaz, Ala./Boaz
78	Hunter Bujol	Jr.	OL	6'1	320	Hammond, La./St. Thomas Aquinas
79	Aidan Doss	So.	OL	6'4	250	Kimberly, Ala./Mortimer Jordan
80	Nick Carris	Fr.	WR	5'11	165	Gulf Shores, Ala./Gulf Shores
80	Bryson Parker	Fr.	DL	6'3	240	Butler, Ala./Choctaw
81	Ty Whiting	So.	WR	6'4	170	Bethlehem, Ala./Bethlehem Christian Aca.
81	Quincy Sherrrod	Fr.	DL	5'10	190	Aliceville, Ala./Aliceville
82	Tucker Bradford	Fr.	WR	5'10	155	Jemison, Ala./Jemison
83	Sam Bloodworth	So.	WR	6'1	185	Pike Road, Ala./Fort Dale
84	Omari Scott	Fr.	WR	6'0	165	Washington, D.C./John F. Kennedy
85	Carter Heptinstall	Fr.	WR	6'4	193	Blountsville, Ala./J.B Pennington
86	Jerald Billingsly	Jr.	WR	6'0	180	Birmingham, Ala./Clay-Chalkville
87	Connor Cash	So.	WR	5'10	167	Mentone, Ala./Fort Payne
88	Landon Armstrong	Fr.	WR	5'11	190	Gadsden, Ala./Westbrook Christian
89	DeMarion Hatten	Fr.	WR			
90	Charlie Hollis	So.	DL	6'0	235	Gulf Shores, Ala./Gulf Shores
91	Brodie Hardy	Fr.	DL	6'4	180	Brewton, Ala./TR Miller
92	Logan Smith	Fr.	DL	6'3	220	Samson, Ala./Samson
93	Jordan Coker	Fr.	DL	5'9	250	Collinsville, Ala./Collinsville
94	Michael Green	Fr.	DL	6'2	220	Chipley, Fla./Chipley
95	James Owens	Fr.	DL	6'2	235	Tuscaloosa, Ala./Northridge
96	Caleb Griffin	Fr.	DL	6'0	315	Moody, Ala./Moody
97	Triston Bedell	So.	DL	6'2	255	Red Level, Ala./Sparta Academy
98	Jimmie Robinson	Fr.	DL	6'0	210	Fort Mitchell, Ala./Russell County
99	Ryan Mills	So.	DL	6'1	250	Mobile, Ala./Faith Academy

Head Coach - Mike Turk

Assistant Coaches: Steven Hicks, Weston Epperson, Eli Powell, Chael Pridgen, Charles Gibson, Karl Dorn, Ryan White





# VALHALLA

## HOME OF THE VIKINGS



Since opening in 2015, this wonderful gathering place we call **Valhalla** has provided a stage on which student-athletes in football, lacrosse, and track and field have pursued their championship dreams with the ardent support of a spirited Berry community.

This season, we celebrate two new additions to the Valhalla complex – **Briggs Beach** and the expanded **Dickey Field**. Like this grand stadium itself, these facilities were made possible by a diverse group of generous Berry alumni and friends who came together to create a place of opportunity for Berry students that also enhances the vibrancy of our beautiful campus.

In Norse mythology, **Valhalla** refers to the Great Hall of Viking warriors, a fitting home for Berry's Vikings. For alumni who spent many a day eating lunch in what is now Krannert Center's food court, the name represents a gathering place in the heart of campus. **Steve Cage** – the 1974 Berry College graduate and current trustee whose \$2.5 million gift kicked off fundraising for the stadium – found inspiration in the name. Today, this stadium accommodates 2,500 fans in the main grandstands with the capacity for much larger crowds.

Valhalla's playing surface, **Williams Field**, is named for **Bob Williams**, a 1962 high school graduate of the Mount Berry School for Boys, and his late wife, **Kay**, both loyal and generous supporters of Berry and its athletics program for many years. Berry's softball complex is also named for Kay, who passed away in 2019. Bob Williams was joined by **Linda Petty**, **Brian and Maria Connors**, and **Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dulaney** in providing funding for new stadium seats installed for the 2022 season.

The eight-lane synthetic running surface, **Clark Track**, and associated throws venue, **Dickey Field**, make Valhalla one of the top track and field facilities in NCAA Division III. Beginning fall of 2023, student-athletes in the throwing events for the men's and women's track and field teams compete in a reimagined, expanded throws facility in the expanse between Valhalla and U.S. Highway 27. The new Dickey Field features a trio of

dedicated shot-put rings fanning out from the shadow of the visiting bleachers, flanked by fields for the discus, javelin and hammer throws. Valhalla has already proved itself worthy of hosting championship events sponsored by the Southern Athletic Association and Georgia High School Football Association. With the additional capacity for throws, that list could grow to include NCAA championships or even professional competitions.

This spring, **Steve Cage** (right) returned as MVP in the growth of the Valhalla complex, providing the lead gift for a beautiful beach volleyball facility (below) across Maple Drive from the stadium entrance. He coined the venue's name, **Briggs Beach**, to honor the leadership of Berry's president.



Other alumni with ties to Berry athletics also stepped forward as leadership supporters of the Valhalla expansion, including **Mark (82C) and Judy Howard (82C) Keappler**, whose daughter played volleyball for the Vikings; and former Berry runners **Susan Wells Brodrick (97C)** and husband **Brian (97C)**, current chair of the Berry Board of Visitors and a trustee. Also joining in were loyal foundation partners in Atlanta, longtime Berry friends such as the **Daughters of the American Revolution** and parents of current student-athletes.





Sept. 2	Huntingdon College	6 PM
Sept. 9	at LaGrange College	6 PM
Sept. 23	at Centre College*	1 PM
Sept. 30	#4 Trinity University*	1 PM
Oct. 7	at Southwestern University*	12 PM
Oct. 14	Millsaps College (Mountain Day)*	6 PM
Oct. 21	at Sewanee*	2 PM
Oct. 28	Hendrix College*	1 PM
Nov. 4	at Birmingham-Southern College*	5:30 PM
Nov. 11	Rhodes College*	2 PM

\* - Southern Athletic Association Game