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## COACHING STAFF

**Scotty Walden**, Head Coach  
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**J.J. Clark**, Defensive Coord./Linebackers  
**Joe Papalardo**, Wefense Coord./Miner Backs\*  
**Ryan Stanchek**, Co-Off. Coord./OL  
**Aaron Foster**, CBS/Def. Pass Game Coord.  
**Chris Jones**, DL/Def. Run Game Coord.  
**Seth McDonald**, Bandits/Co-Wefense Coord.  
**Jourdan McNeill**, RBs/Off. Run Game Coord.  
**Jajuan Dulaney**, Tight Ends\*  
**Kelvin Sigler**, Co-Defensive Coord./Safeties\*  
**Kyle Beyer**, Lead Def. Analyst/Assistant LBs\*  
**John Cotton**, Lead Off. Analyst/Wefense Asst.  
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## THE VENUE

**Stadium:** Canvas Stadium  
**Capacity:** 36,500  
**Surface:** Synthetic PowerBlade Pro System

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# UTEP MINERS FOOTBALL '24

**FEARLESS. FAST. PHYSICAL**

UTEP at Colorado State | 3 p.m. MT | Saturday, Sept. 21 | Canvas Stadium (36,500) | Fort Collins, Colo.

## GAME 4 AT COLORADO STATE



### UTEP Miners (0-3, 0-1 Conference USA)

**Head Coach:** Scotty Walden (Sul Ross State, 2012)

**Career Record:** 34-23 (7th season)

**Record at UTEP:** 0-3 (1st season)

**Home:** 0-1 | **Road:** 0-2 | **Neutral:** 0-0 | **Streak:** L3

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### Colorado State Rams (1-2, 0-0 Mountain West)

**Head Coach:** Jay Norvell (Iowa, 1986)

**Career Record:** 42-44 (8th season)

**Record at CSU:** 9-18 (3rd season)

**Home:** 1-1 | **Road:** 0-1 | **Neutral:** 0-0 | **Streak:** L1

## MINERS AT A GLANCE

### UTEP CONTINUES ROAD SWING, PLAYS AT COLORADO STATE FOR TIME IN 10 SEASONS SATURDAY AFTERNOON ON TRUTV

UTEP will take on Colorado State for the first time in 10 seasons and for the 36th time overall when the Miners travel to Fort Collins to battle the Rams on Saturday afternoon. UTEP and CSU are set for a 3 p.m. MT kickoff in Canvas Stadium. The contest will be televised on truTV and returns to "The Home of UTEP Football" 600 AM ESPN.

#### » LEAST PENALTIES SINCE 2018

UTEP committed two penalties at Liberty, the least since two vs. Southern Miss in '18 (**Scotty Walden** was on USM staff).

#### » CUSA LEADER

QB **Skyler Locklear** is the CUSA leader in QB rating completion percentage (66.3).

#### » KAM WITH A PURPOSE

MB **Kam Thomas** leads CUSA in receptions (20), all-purpose yards (380) and all-purpose yards per game (126.7)

#### » JEVON THE WORKHORSE

RB **Jevon Jackson** leads CUSA in total plays (50).

#### » FIRST TD AS A MINER

WR **Kenny Odom** used his burners to find the end zone on a career-long 60-yard TD reception at [RV] Liberty.

#### » LEADING TACKLERS

LB **Dorian Hopkins** & Spur **Kory Chapman** are tied for the CUSA lead in total tackles (34) and tackles per game (11.3).

#### » JUMP ON THE BALL

UTEP has recovered three fumbles in 2024; ranks second in CUSA (one each by **D. Hopkins**, **X. Smith**, **N. Dyman**)

#### » DYMAN IN THE ROUGH

LB **Nate Dyman** tallied a career-high nine tackles and recovered his first career fumble at [RV] Liberty.

## SERIES BREAKDOWN

### SERIES INFORMATION

**Overall:** CSU leads 25-10  
**in El Paso:** CSU leads 11-7  
**in Fort Collins:** CSU leads 14-3  
**Neutral:** -  
**Postseason:** -  
**Most UTEP Points:** 45 (UTEP, 45-6, 1987)  
**Most CSU Points:** 73 (CSU, 73-24, 1973)  
**Most Combined PTS:** 101 (CSU, 59-42, 2013)  
**Biggest UTEP Win:** 39 (UTEP 45-6, 1987)  
**Biggest CSU Win:** 53 (CSU, 53-0, 1993)  
**First Meeting:** CSU won 21-14 in Ft. Collins (10.26.63)  
**Last Meeting:** CSU won 59-42 in Ft. Collins (9.28.13)  
**Streak:** CSU, W1

## CUSA STANDINGS

TEAM	CUSA	OVERALL	PF	PA
Liberty	2-0	3-0	99	58
WKU	1-0	2-1	80	84
Sam Houston	0-0	2-1	79	72
LA Tech	0-0	1-1	45	47
FIU	0-0	1-2	79	85
Jax State	0-0	0-3	75	141
Kennesaw State	0-0	0-3	36	93
Middle Tennessee	0-1	1-2	56	126
NM State	0-1	1-2	47	94
<b>UTEP</b>	<b>0-1</b>	<b>0-2</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>95</b>

## 2024 SCHEDULE & RESULTS



@Nebraska  
Aug. 31  
Lincoln, Neb.  
FOX  
L, 40-7



Southern Utah  
Sept. 7  
El Paso, Texas  
ESPN+  
L, 27-24 (OT)



@Liberty\*  
Sept. 14  
Lynchburg, Va.  
ESPN+  
L, 28-10



@Colorado State  
Sept. 21  
Fort Collins, Colo.  
truTV  
3:00 PM MT



Sam Houston\*  
Oct. 3  
El Paso, Texas  
CBSSN  
7:00 PM MT



@WKU\*  
Oct. 10  
Bowling Green, Ky.  
ESPN  
6:00 PM MT



FIU\*  
Oct. 16  
El Paso, Texas  
CBSSN  
7:00 PM MT



@LA Tech\*  
Oct. 22  
Ruston, La.  
CBSSN  
6:00 PM MT



Middle Tennessee\*  
Nov. 2  
El Paso, Texas  
CBSSN  
1:30 PM MT



Kennesaw State\*  
Nov. 9  
El Paso, Texas  
ESPN+  
2:00 PM MT



@Tennessee  
Nov. 23  
Knoxville, Tenn.  
SEC+  
11:00 AM MT



@NM State\*  
Nov. 30  
Las Cruces, N.M.  
ESPN+  
2:00 PM MT

## UTEP FOOTBALL WEEKLY SCHEDULE

16 MON	17 TUES	18 WED	19 THURS	20 FRI	21 SAT	22 SUN
Off Day  Coach Walden Press Conference 1:00 p.m. MT LKD Downstairs	Practice (Sun Bowl) 8:50 a.m. Begin at Glory Field, transition to Sun Bowl (Players & coach available following practice)	Practice (Sun Bowl) 8:50 a.m. Begin at Glory Field, transition to Sun Bowl (Players & coach available following practice)	Walk-Through (Sun Bowl)  No Availability	No Availability	<b>GAME DAY</b> UTEP at CSU 3:00 PM MT Canvas Stadium  <b>POSTGAME</b> Coach Walden and student-athletes will be available following the conclusion of the game.	No Availability

### MONDAY PRESS CONFERENCES

Head coach Scotty Walden will meet with the media at 1:00 p.m. MT every Monday prior to a game in the Hall of Champions at the Larry K. Durham Center. **Audio and a short transcription from the press conference will be emailed out to media on Monday afternoons.**

### PRACTICE COVERAGE

In addition to Monday's press conference, UTEP student-athletes and coaches are available for interviews following practice on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of game week. All interview requests must be directed to the UTEP Athletic Communications Office at least 24 hours in advance. **Please send all requests via email to [arbonney@utep.edu](mailto:arbonney@utep.edu).**

### COACH/PLAYER AVAILABILITY

Members of the UTEP coaching staff are available during the designated days and times throughout the year. Select players are also available during the designated days and times.

### SOCIAL MEDIA

UTEP fans can access the most in-depth information regarding all the University's programs through social media opportunities available online.

**X** – Members of the UTEP Athletic Communications department will be posting throughout the year with the latest news and in-game score updates. To follow them, simply find them on Twitter.

**@UTEPFB** – Direct reports from football practices, games and more.

### MEDIA INFORMATION

#### COLLEGEPRESSBOX.COM

Collegepressbox is the official media website for Division I football. Access and download game notes, quotes, statistics, media guides, headshots, logos and more for all FBS schools, conferences, postseason games, awards and the College Football Playoff. For access, please register for an account at [collegepressbox.com/register](https://collegepressbox.com/register).

#### DAILY MEDIA AVAILABILITY

The following is a general weekly schedule of media availability for the UTEP football team. Members of the media are expected to adhere to these policies at all times. All interview requests should be made to UTEP Assistant Athletic Director/Communications Drew Bonney at least 24 hours in advance. All media availability times are subject to change. Please contact Drew Bonney for any changes in the schedule.

**Monday:** UTEP's weekly press conference starts with statements from head coach Scotty Walden beginning at approximately 1:00 p.m. MT on Mondays.

**Tuesday-Wednesday:** Practice will be held from 8:50-10:50 a.m. Coaches and players are available following the conclusion of practice.

**Thursday-Friday:** No availability.

**Saturday:** Postgame availability only. Head coach Scotty Walden and select student-athletes will be available for interviews following the conclusion of the game. The UTEP locker room, home or away, is **CLOSED** to the media at all times.

For games in El Paso, all UTEP postgame press conferences will be held after each game following a 10-minute cooling off period. No in-person interviews will be allowed on the field with players and/or coaches immediately following games. Coach Walden and select players will be available in the press conference following games.

#### CONFERENCE USA FOOTBALL COACHES' TRANSCRIPTS

Conference USA schools will submit transcripts of weekly press conferences each week to [CollegePressBox.com](https://CollegePressBox.com).

### INTERVIEW REQUESTS

**All interview requests must be made at least 24 hours in advance and must be submitted to Drew Bonney at [arbonney@utep.edu](mailto:arbonney@utep.edu).**

# ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	POS	HT	WT	CL/EXP	HOMETOWN/PREVIOUS SCHOOL	NO.	NAME	POS	HT	WT	CL/EXP	HOMETOWN/PREVIOUS SCHOOL
22	Allen, Josiah	Spur	5-10	179	Sr./2L	Elk Grove, Calif./Sacramento City College	9	Locklear, Skyler	QB	5-11	195	R-So./TR	Clayton, N.C./Austin Peay
56	Aranda, Luis Carlos	OL	6-1	300	R-So./OL	El Paso, Texas/Franklin HS	43	Lopez, Julian	TE	6-1	246	R-Sr./2L	El Paso, Texas/Chapin HS
31	Baldwin, Elijah	DL	6-7	230	Fr./HS	San Antonio, Texas/John Jay HS	70	Matamoros, Luka	OL	6-5	275	Fr./HS	Pflugerville, Texas/Hendrickson HS
77	Barton, AJ	OL	6-5	280	R-Fr./RS	Garland, Texas/Lakeview Centennial HS	55	McCarter, Allan	OL	6-4	270	Fr./HS	Manvel, Texas/Manvel HS
63	Beltran, Rolando	OL	6-3	305	R-So./RS	El Paso, Texas/Eastlake HS/NMHU	11	McConnell, Cade	QB	6-1	195	R-Jr./1L	Long Beach, Calif./Cerritos College
40	Bibler, Chase	DL	6-4	270	Sr./1L	Fresno, Calif./Fresno City College	72	McDuffie III, Tyrone D.	OL	6-4	315	R-Fr./RS	El Paso, Texas/Parkland HS
97	Bowman, Joe	K	6-0	185	R-Jr./TR	Carlsbad, Calif./SEMO	27	McWhorter, Miles	WR	5-8	165	R-So./TR	El Paso, Texas/Franklin HS/NM State
14	Boyd-Matthews, Amier	CB	6-1	180	R-So./1L	Tempe, Ariz./Mountain Pointe HS	23	Meadows, Trace	LB	6-0	210	Fr./HS	College Station, Texas/A&M Consolidated
29	Brown-Turner, Dylan	LB	6-1	210	R-Fr./TR	Dallas, Texas/Florida State	11	Moore, Oscar	S	6-1	208	Sr./1L	Fort Worth, Texas/Kilgore College
18	Burris III, John	CB	6-0	180	R-Jr./1L	Mesquite, Texas/Mesquite Horn HS	12	Muhammad, A'tiq	CB	6-2	195	R-So./1L	Rockford, Ill./Guilford HS
75	Camacho Jr., Juan	OL	6-6	285	R-Jr./1L	El Paso, Texas/Bowie HS	0	Nickelberry, Ashton	WR	5-10	181	R-Jr./TR	Brandon, Miss./Austin Peay
18	Campbell, Rafeald	WR	5-11	175	Fr./HS	Arlington, Texas/Arlington Bowie HS	6	Odum, Kenny	WR	5-8	163	R-So./TR	Savannah, Ga./Austin Peay
76	Carter, CK	OL	6-6	290	R-Jr./TR	Atlanta, Ga./Georgia Southern	1	Odums, AJ	CB	5-11	175	Sr./1L	Houston, Texas/New Mexico
6	Chapman, Kory	Spur	5-10	190	Sr./TR	Hoover, Ala./Hoover HS/Austin Peay	81	Phipps, Xavier	WR	6-5	205	Fr./HS	Houston, Texas/Dekaney HS
90	Coker, Ashton	DT	6-2	290	Fr./HS	Katy, Texas/Katy Taylor HS	19	Pickles, JP	QB	6-1	200	Fr./HS	Tallahassee, Fla./North Florida Christian HS
87	Collins, Martavious	TE	6-4	258	Fr./HS	Rome, Ga./South Pittsburg HS	59	Pitts III, Otis	OL	6-3	330	R-Sr./2L	Grand Prairie, Texas/Cisco College
27	Content, Justin	CB	6-1	185	Fr./HS	Hoschton, Ga./Mill Creek HS	10	Rapolla, Hunter	DL	6-3	251	Sr./TR	Temecula, Calif./New Mexico
23	Davis Jr., Wondame	WR	6-1	180	Fr./HS	Ennis, Texas/Ennis HS	46	Ray, Christian	DL	6-4	250	Jr./TR	Manteca, Calif./Modesto JC
38	Diaz, Valentino	Bandit	6-2	245	R-So./RS	Boca Raton, Fla./Boca Raton HS	8	Ray Jr., Michael	S	6-2	200	Jr./TR	Houston, Texas/Tyler JC
47	Do, Malachi	CB	5-11	165	Fr./HS	El Paso, Texas/Andress HS	44	Rayam, Jalen	LB	6-0	225	Gr./TR	Alabaster, Ala./Middle Tennessee
33	Duhon, Kyrán	DL	6-2	250	Fr./HS	Houston, Texas/Summer Creek HS	62	Riggs, Jake	OL	6-3	295	Fr./HS	Murfreesboro, Tenn./Oakland HS
5	Dunson, Tray	LB	6-2	221	Sr./TR	Franklin, Ga./Gardner-Webb	14	Rodriguez, Zach	QB	6-3	195	R-Jr./OL	El Paso, Texas/El Paso HS
28	Dye, Joshua	RB	5-11	202	R-Fr./RS	Gilbert, Ariz./Williams Field HS	26	Russell, Lantz	S	6-3	210	R-Jr./RS	Riverside, Calif./Mt. SAC
25	Dye, Josiah	S	6-1	185	R-Fr./HS	Gilbert, Ariz./Williams Field HS	24	Schuchts, Josh	WR	6-3	210	Fr./HS	Tallahassee, Fla./North Florida Christian HS
30	Dyman, Nate	LB	6-2	230	R-Jr./RS	Missouri City, Texas/Blinn College	38	Scruggs, Evan	K	6-1	170	Fr./HS	Orlando, Fla./Bishop Moore HS
25	Emory, Ashton	RB	5-11	195	Fr./HS	Dallas, Texas/Rockwall HS	88	Seib, Luke	WR	6-4	210	R-So./1L	Blue Springs, Mo./Blue Springs South HS
53	Escobar, Ivan	OL	6-2	305	R-Jr./1L	El Paso, Texas/NM State	9	Shelton, Jaylon	CB	6-2	190	R-Jr./TR	New London, Texas/Texas State
35	Essih, Zachary	TE	5-8	213	R-So./1L	Arlington, Texas/Mansfield Timberview HS	21	Shufelt, Stratton	LB	6-2	230	Fr./HS	Rio Rancho, N.M./Cleveland HS
17	Ezinwa, Judah	TE	6-3	240	R-So./RS	Fontana, Calif./Mt. SAC	50	Smith, Brennan	OL	6-3	305	R-Jr./TR	Pensacola, Fla./Austin Peay
36	Flabiano, Buzz	K/P	6-0	175	R-So./1L	Plano East, Texas/Plano East HS	3	Smith, Jaden	WR	5-10	195	Sr./TR	Atlanta, Ga./Eastern Kentucky
86	Flores, Lucas	WR	6-2	184	R-Jr./OL	El Paso, Texas/Ysleta HS	7	Smith, Shay	QB	6-2	215	Fr./HS	El Paso, Texas/Franklin HS
43	Garcia, Edgar	Bandit	6-1	215	Fr./HS	El Paso, Texas/El Paso HS	2	Smith, Xavier	S	6-0	195	R-So./TR	Atlanta, Ga./Austin Peay
2	Gardere, Javoni	WR	6-0	195	R-So./RS	Dublin, Calif./Diablo Valley College	16	Southern, Michael	QB	6-1	195	Fr./HS	El Paso, Texas/Montwood HS
1	Goodman, Trey	WR	5-11	175	Sr./TR	Atlanta, Ga./Austin Peay	48	Szczesiński, Alex	LB	6-2	220	So./TR	Orland Park, Ill./Iowa Western
32	Goree, Devin	DE	6-3	265	Sr./TR	Denton, Texas/Missouri State	50	Tafuna, Tevita	NT	6-1	277	R-Sr./2L	East Palo Alto, Calif./College of San Mateo
16	Green, Yessman	CB	6-2	180	Sr./TR	Mobile, Ala./Jax State	36	Taylor, Ekow	Bandit	6-5	220	Fr./HS	Keller, Texas/Fossil Ridge HS
24	Guerrero, Jaime	S	6-1	185	R-So./OL	El Paso, Texas/Eastlake HS	21	Taylor, Marquez	RB	5-11	171	R-Fr./TR	McKenzie, Tenn./Austin Peay
42	Hall, Jake	LB	6-2	230	Sr./1L	San Juan Capistrano, Calif./Orange Coast Coll.	35	Taylor-Barrocks, Kofi	Bandit	6-3	230	R-Fr./TR	London, England/Colorado
39	Hancock, Josh	LS	5-9	185	R-Jr./1L	Corpus Christi, Texas/Coastal Christian Homeschool	37	Tejada, Angelo	LS	5-11	240	Sr./4L	San Antonio, Texas/Converse Judson HS
34	Harrelson, Cam	S	6-0	165	Fr./HS	El Paso, Texas/Montwood HS	5	Thomas, Kam	MB	5-7	184	R-Jr./TR	Birmingham, Ala./Austin Peay
26	Harris, Caden	WR	5-10	170	R-Fr./RS	Round Rock, Texas/Stony Point HS	45	Thomas, Victor	LB	6-1	220	Fr./HS	Katy, Texas/Katy Paetow HS
74	Henry, Azizi	OL	6-4	310	R-Jr./1L	Wylie, Texas/Wylie HS	15	Thompson, Bryton	DE	6-1	250	R-Sr./1L	Houston, Texas/Blinn College
20	Herring, Cam	CB	6-1	165	Fr./HS	Memphis, Tenn./Collierville HS	58	Toney, Jaquan	OL	6-4	285	R-Jr./RS	Huntsville, Ala./NE Mississippi CC
41	Hopkins, Dorian	LB	6-0	226	Gr./TR	Memphis, Tenn./Tulsa	3	Tonga'uhiha, Sione	NT	6-0	295	Sr./4L	Tempe, Ariz./Tempe HS
19	Hullaby, Landon	S	6-0	205	R-So./TR	Mansfield, Texas/Texas Tech	80	Torres, Marcus	WR	5-10	175	Fr./HS	El Paso, Texas/Pebble Hills HS
13	Hunter, Jayce	Spur	6-0	185	Sr./1L	Mission Viejo, Calif./Saddleback College	79	Utey, Jake	OL	6-6	315	R-Fr./RS	College Station, Texas/College Station HS
10	Hurley, Kevin	WR	6-3	233	R-Sr./1L	Walnut, Miss./NE Mississippi CC	98	Va'a, Logologo	DT	6-3	305	R-So./1L	Santa Barbara, Calif./Bishop Garcia HS
60	Immediato, Joseph	OL	6-4	318	R-Jr./2L	El Paso, Texas/Eastwood HS	82	Vinson, Marcus	TE	6-4	255	Jr./1L	Duncanville, Texas/Kilgore College
29	Jacklin, Adam	P	5-11	195	R-Fr./TR	Melbourne, Australia/North Texas	92	Warren, Quinzavious	NT	6-2	315	R-Jr./TR	Canton, Miss./Jax State
4	Jackson, Jevon	RB	5-8	205	R-Jr./TR	Decatur, Ala./Austin Peay	30	Webb, Aiden	K	6-2	175	Fr./HS	Dallas, Texas/Woodrow Wilson HS
93	Jaquez, Rafael	DL	6-2	270	Fr./HS	El Paso, Texas/Pebble Hills HS	0	Westmoreland, Maurice	Bandit	6-2	250	Sr./2L	Houston, Texas/Kilgore College
7	Johnson, KD	DL	6-1	275	Sr./1L	Houston, Texas/Kilgore College	8	White, Emari	WR	6-0	185	R-Jr./1L	Antelope, Calif./Center/Sierra College
34	Johnson, Xavier	RB	5-11	205	R-Fr./RS	El Paso, Texas/Hanks HS	52	Whitehead, RJ	OL	6-5	300	Jr./TR	Lambert, Miss./Tulane
22	Jolly, Ezell	RB	6-1	175	R-Fr./RS	Missouri City, Texas/Ridge Point HS	4	Williams, Dillion	Spur	5-11	188	R-Jr./TR	Nacogdoches, Texas/North Texas
28	Jones, Brandon	LB	5-11	180	Fr./HS	Dallas, Texas/South Oak Cliff HS	15	Wright, Corey	MB	5-10	195	Sr./TR	New Orleans, La./TCU
17	Jones, Jaylin	Bandit	6-5	225	Fr./HS	Beaumont, Texas/West Brook HS	65	Wright, Isaiah	OL	6-3	305	Sr./TR	Columbia, S.C./Austin Peay
69	Lightfoot, Joey	NT	6-4	300	R-Fr./RS	College Station, Texas/A&M Consolidated	57	Wydra, Craig	OL	6-4	305	Fr./HS	El Paso, Texas/Andress HS

## COACHING STAFF

### Scotty Walden – Head Coach (1st Season)

Jake Brown – Offensive Coordinator/Outside WRs

J.J. Clark – Defensive Coordinator/LBs

Ryan Stanchek – Co-Offensive Coordinator/OL

Aaron Foster – Cornerbacks/Defensive Pass Game Coordinator

Chris Jones – Defensive Line/Defensive Run Game Coordinator

Seth McDonald – Bandits/Co-Wefense Coor./Def. Recruiting Coor.

Jourdan McNeill – Running Backs/Offensive Run Game Coor.

Joe Pappalardo – Wefense Coor./Miner Backs/Inside WR/Pass Game Coor.

Jajuan Dulaney – Tight Ends/Offensive Recruiting Coor.

Kelvin Sigler – Co-Defensive Coor./Safeties

Kyle Beyer – Lead Defensive Analyst/Assistant LBs

John Cotton – Lead Offensive Analyst/Wefense Assistant

Nate Mullen – Offensive Quality Control-Wide Receivers

Miguel Avina – Graduate Assistant (QBs)

Kade Glenn – Graduate Assistant (DBs)

Jalen Spady – Graduate Assistant (OL)

Addison Tucker – Graduate Assistant (DL)

## PRONUNCIATIONS

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YESSMAN Green

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Landon HULLABY

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JEVON Jackson

Luka MATAMOROS

A'TIQ Muhammad

Hunter RAPOLLA

Jalen RAYAM

Lou-ees CAR-los ARE-ran-duh

Ah-meer

BOWE-man

RAH-fay-eld

CON-tent

WAN-duh-me

KY-ren

Ja-VONNY Gar-DEER

YEZZ-men

Ah-zee-zee

Huh-LAH-bee

E-me-d-auto

JEH-von

MAH-tah-MORE-os

Ah-Teek

Ruh-Pole-luh

Ray-UM

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Tay-hah-duh

See-on-ee Tonga-we-ha

Logo-Logo Vah-AH

De-lee-on

WHY-druh

# NUMERICAL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	POS	HT	WT	CL/EXP	HOMETOWN/PREVIOUS SCHOOL	NO.	NAME	POS	HT	WT	CL/EXP	HOMETOWN/PREVIOUS SCHOOL
0	Nickelberry, Ashton	WR	5-10	181	R-Jr./TR	Brandon, Miss./Austin Peay	30	Dyman, Nate	LB	6-2	230	R-Jr./RS	Missouri City, Texas/Blinn College
0	Westmoreland, Maurice	Bandit	6-2	250	R-/JL	Houston, Texas/Kilgore College	30	Webb, Aiden	K	6-2	175	Fr./HS	Dallas, Texas/Woodrow Wilson HS
1	Goodman, Trey	WR	5-11	175	Sr./TR	Atlanta, Ga./Austin Peay	31	Baldwin, Elijah	DL	6-7	230	Fr./HS	San Antonio, Texas/John Jay HS
1	Odums, AJ	CB	5-11	175	Sr./JL	Houston, Texas/New Mexico	32	Goree, Devin	DE	6-3	265	Sr./TR	Denton, Texas/Missouri State
2	Gardere, Javoni	WR	6-0	195	R-So./RS	Dublin, Calif./Diablo Valley College	33	Duhon, Kyran	DL	6-2	250	Fr./HS	Houston, Texas/Summer Creek HS
2	Smith, Xavier	S	6-0	195	R-So./TR	Atlanta, Ga./Austin Peay	34	Harrelson, Cam	S	6-0	165	Fr./HS	El Paso, Texas/Montwood HS
3	Smith, Jaden	WR	5-10	195	Sr./TR	Atlanta, Ga./Eastern Kentucky	34	Johnson, Xavier	RB	5-11	205	R-Fr./RS	El Paso, Texas/Hanks HS
3	Tonga'uia, Sione	NT	6-0	305	Sr./JL	Tempe, Ariz./Tempe HS	35	Essih, Zachary	TE	5-8	213	R-So./JL	Arlington, Texas/Mansfield Timberview HS
4	Jackson, Jevon	RB	5-8	205	R-Jr./TR	Decatur, Ala./Austin Peay	35	Taylor-Barrocks, Kofi	Bandit	6-3	230	R-Fr./TR	London, England/Colorado
4	Williams, Dillion	Spur	5-11	188	R-Jr./TR	Nacogdoches, Texas/North Texas	36	Flabiano, Buzz	K/P	6-0	175	R-So./JL	Plano East, Texas/Plano East HS
5	Dunson, Tray	LB	6-2	221	Sr./TR	Franklin, Ga./Gardner-Webb	36	Taylor, Ekow	Bandit	6-5	220	Fr./HS	Keller, Texas/Fossil Ridge HS
5	Thomas, Kam	MB	5-7	184	R-Jr./TR	Birmingham, Ala./Austin Peay	37	Tejada, Angelo	LS	5-11	240	Sr./JL	San Antonio, Texas/Converse Judson HS
6	Chapman, Kory	Spur	5-10	190	Sr./TR	Hoover, Ala./Hoover HS/Austin Peay	38	Diaz, Valentino	Bandit	6-2	245	R-So./RS	Boca Raton, Fla./Boca Raton HS
6	Odom, Kenny	WR	5-8	163	R-So./TR	Savannah, Ga./Austin Peay	38	Scruggs, Evan	K	6-1	170	Fr./HS	Orlando, Fla./Bishop Moore HS
7	Johnson, KD	DL	6-1	275	Sr./JL	Houston, Texas/Kilgore College	39	Hancock, Josh	LS	5-9	185	R-Jr./JL	Corpus Christi, Texas/Coastal Christian Homeschool
7	Smith, Shay	QB	6-2	215	Fr./HS	El Paso, Texas/Franklin HS	40	Bibler, Chase	DL	6-4	270	Sr./JL	Fresno, Calif./Fresno City College
8	Ray Jr., Michael	S	6-2	200	Jr./TR	Houston, Texas/Tyler JC	41	Hopkins, Dorian	LB	6-0	226	Gr./TR	Memphis, Tenn./Tulsa
8	White, Emari	WR	6-0	185	R-Jr./JL	Antelope, Calif./Center/Sierra College	42	Hall, Jake	LB	6-2	230	Sr./JL	San Juan Capistrano, Calif./Orange Coast Coll.
9	Locklear, Skyler	QB	5-11	195	R-So./TR	Clayton, N.C./Austin Peay	43	Garcia, Edgar	Bandit	6-1	215	Fr./HS	El Paso, Texas/El Paso HS
9	Shelton, Jaylon	CB	6-2	190	R-Jr./TR	New London, Texas/Texas State	43	Lopez, Julian	TE	6-1	246	R-Sr./JL	El Paso, Texas/Chapin HS
10	Hurley, Kevin	WR	6-3	233	R-Sr./JL	Walnut, Miss./NE Mississippi CC	44	Rayam, Jalen	LB	6-0	225	Gr./TR	Alabaster, Ala./Middle Tennessee
10	Rapolla, Hunter	DL	6-3	251	Sr./TR	Temecula, Calif./New Mexico	45	Thomas, Victor	LB	6-1	220	Fr./HS	Katy, Texas/Katy Paetow HS
11	McConnell, Cade	QB	6-1	195	R-Jr./JL	Long Beach, Calif./Cerritos College	46	Ray, Christian	DL	6-4	250	Jr./TR	Manteca, Calif./Modesto JC
11	Moore, Oscar	S	6-1	208	Sr./JL	Fort Worth, Texas/Kilgore College	47	Do, Malachi	CB	5-11	165	Fr./HS	El Paso, Texas/Andress HS
12	Muhammad, A'tiq	CB	6-2	195	R-So./JL	Rockford, Ill./Guilford HS	48	Szczesiak, Alex	LB	6-2	220	So./TR	Orland Park, Ill./Iowa Western
13	Hunter, Jayce	Spur	6-0	185	Sr./JL	Mission Viejo, Calif./Saddleback College	50	Smith, Brennan	OL	6-3	305	R-Jr./TR	Pensacola, Fla./Austin Peay
14	Boyd-Matthews, Amier	CB	6-1	180	R-So./JL	Tempe, Ariz./Mountain Pointe HS	50	Tafuna, Tevita	NT	6-1	285	R-Sr./JL	East Palo Alto, Calif./College of San Mateo
14	Rodriguez, Zach	QB	6-3	195	R-Jr./OL	El Paso, Texas/El Paso HS	52	Whitehead, RJ	OL	6-5	300	Jr./TR	Lambert, Miss./Tulane
15	Thompson, Bryton	DE	6-1	250	R-Sr./JL	Houston, Texas/Blinn College	53	Escobar, Ivan	OL	6-2	305	R-Jr./JL	El Paso, Texas/NM State
15	Wren, Corey	MB	5-10	195	Sr./TR	New Orleans, La./TCU	55	McCarter, Allan	OL	6-4	270	Fr./HS	Manvel, Texas/Manvel HS
16	Green, Yessman	CB	6-2	180	Sr./TR	Mobile, Ala./Jax State	56	Aranda, Luis Carlos	OL	6-1	300	R-So./JL	El Paso, Texas/Franklin HS
16	Southern, Michael	QB	6-1	195	Fr./HS	El Paso, Texas/Montwood HS	57	Wydra, Craig	OL	6-4	305	Fr./HS	El Paso, Texas/Andress HS
17	Ezinwa, Judah	TE	6-3	240	R-So./RS	Fontana, Calif./Mt. SAC	58	Toney, Jaquan	OL	6-4	285	R-Jr./RS	Huntsville, Ala./NE Mississippi CC
17	Jones, Jaylin	Bandit	6-5	225	Fr./HS	Beaumont, Texas/West Brook HS	59	Pitts III, Otis	OL	6-3	330	R-Sr./JL	Grand Prairie, Texas/Cisco College
18	Burris III, John	CB	6-0	180	R-Jr./JL	Mesquite, Texas/Mesquite Horn HS	60	Immediato, Joseph	OL	6-4	318	R-Jr./JL	El Paso, Texas/Eastwood HS
18	Campbell, Rafeald	WR	5-11	175	Fr./HS	Arlington, Texas/Arlington Bowie HS	62	Riggs, Jake	OL	6-3	295	Fr./HS	Murfreesboro, Tenn./Oakland HS
19	Hullaby, Landon	S	6-0	205	R-So./TR	Mansfield, Texas/Texas Tech	63	Beltran, Rolando	OL	6-3	305	R-So./RS	El Paso, Texas/Eastlake HS/NMHU
19	Pickles, JP	QB	6-1	200	Fr./HS	Tallahassee, Fla./North Florida Christian HS	65	Wright, Isaiah	OL	6-3	305	Sr./TR	Columbia, S.C./Austin Peay
20	Herring, Cam	CB	6-1	165	Fr./HS	Memphis, Tenn./Collierville HS	69	Lightfoot, Joey	NT	6-4	300	R-Fr./RS	College Station, Texas/A&M Consolidated
21	Shufelt, Stratton	LB	6-2	230	Fr./HS	Rio Rancho, N.M./Cleveland HS	70	Matamoros, Luka	OL	6-5	275	Fr./HS	Pflugerville, Texas/Hendrickson HS
21	Taylor, Marquez	RB	5-11	171	R-Fr./TR	McKenzie, Tenn./Austin Peay	72	McDuffie III, Tyrone D.	OL	6-4	315	R-Fr./RS	El Paso, Texas/Parkland HS
22	Allen, Josiah	Spur	5-10	179	Sr./JL	Elk Grove, Calif./Sacramento City College	74	Henry, Azizi	OL	6-4	310	R-Jr./JL	Wylie, Texas/Wylie HS
22	Jolly, Ezell	RB	6-1	175	R-Fr./RS	Missouri City, Texas/Ridge Point HS	75	Camacho Jr., Juan	OL	6-6	285	R-Jr./JL	El Paso, Texas/Bowie HS
23	Davis Jr., Wondame	WR	6-1	180	Fr./HS	Ennis, Texas/Ennis HS	76	Carter, CK	OL	6-6	290	R-Jr./TR	Atlanta, Ga./Georgia Southern
23	Meadows, Trace	LB	6-0	210	Fr./HS	College Station, Texas/A&M Consolidated	77	Barton, AJ	OL	6-5	280	R-Fr./RS	Garland, Texas/Lakeview Centennial HS
24	Guerrero, Lantz	S	6-1	185	R-So./JL	El Paso, Texas/Eastlake HS	79	Utey, Jake	OL	6-6	315	R-Fr./RS	College Station, Texas/College Station HS
24	Schuchts, Josh	WR	6-3	210	Fr./HS	Tallahassee, Fla./North Florida Christian HS	80	Torres, Marcus	WR	5-10	175	Fr./HS	El Paso, Texas/Pebble Hills HS
25	Dye, Josiah	S	6-1	185	R-Fr./HS	Gilbert, Ariz./Williams Field HS	81	Phipps, Xavier	WR	6-5	205	Fr./HS	Houston, Texas/Dekaney HS
25	Emory, Ashton	RB	5-11	195	Fr./HS	Dallas, Texas/Rockwall HS	82	Vinson, Marcus	TE	6-4	255	Jr./JL	Duncanville, Texas/Kilgore College
26	Harris, Caden	WR	5-10	170	R-Fr./RS	Round Rock, Texas/Stony Point HS	86	Flores, Lucas	WR	6-2	184	R-Jr./JL	El Paso, Texas/Ysleta HS
26	Russell, Lantz	S	6-3	210	R-Jr./RS	Riverside, Calif./Mt. SAC	87	Collins, Martavious	TE	6-4	258	Fr./HS	Rome, Ga./South Pittsburg HS
27	Content, Justin	CB	6-1	185	Fr./HS	Hoschton, Ga./Mill Creek HS	88	Seib, Luke	WR	6-4	210	R-So./JL	Blue Springs, Mo./Blue Springs South HS
27	McWhorter, Miles	WR	5-8	165	R-So./TR	El Paso, Texas/Franklin HS/NM State	90	Coker, Ashton	DT	6-2	290	Fr./HS	Katy, Texas/Katy Taylor HS
28	Dye, Joshua	RB	5-11	202	R-Fr./RS	Gilbert, Ariz./Williams Field HS	92	Warren, Quinzavious	NT	6-2	315	R-Jr./TR	Canton, Miss./Jax State
28	Jones, Brandon	LB	5-11	180	Fr./HS	Dallas, Texas/South Oak Cliff HS	93	Jaquez, Rafael	DL	6-2	270	Fr./HS	El Paso, Texas/Pebble Hills HS
29	Brown-Turner, Dylan	LB	6-1	210	R-Fr./TR	Dallas, Texas/Florida State	97	Bowman, Joe	K	6-0	185	R-Jr./TR	Carlsbad, Calif./SEMO
29	Jacklin, Adam	P	5-11	195	R-Fr./TR	Melbourne, Australia/North Texas	98	Va'a, Logologo	DT	6-3	305	R-So./JL	Santa Barbara, Calif./Bishop Garcia HS

## COACHING STAFF

Scotty Walden – Head Coach (1st Season)  
 Jake Brown – Offensive Coordinator/Outside WRs  
 J.J. Clark – Defensive Coordinator/LBs  
 Ryan Stanchek – Co-Offensive Coordinator/OL  
 Aaron Foster – Cornerbacks/Defensive Pass Game Coordinator  
 Chris Jones – Defensive Line/Defensive Run Game Coordinator  
 Seth McDonald – Bandits/Co-Wefense Coor./Def. Recruiting Coor.  
 Jourdan McNeill – Running Backs/Offensive Run Game Coor.  
 Joe Pappalardo – Wefense Coor./Miner Backs/Inside WR/Pass Game Coor.  
 Jajuan Dulaney – Tight Ends/Offensive Recruiting Coor.  
 Kelvin Sigler – Co-Defensive Coor./Safeties  
 Kyle Beyer – Lead Defensive Analyst/Assistant LBs  
 John Cotton – Lead Offensive Analyst/Wefense Assistant  
 Nate Mullen – Offensive Quality Control-Wide Receivers  
 Miguel Avina – Graduate Assistant (QBs)  
 Kade Glenn – Graduate Assistant (DBs)  
 Jalen Spady – Graduate Assistant (OL)  
 Addison Tucker – Graduate Assistant (DL)

## PRONUNCIATIONS

LUIS Carlos ARANDA	Lou-ees CAR-los ARE-aran-duh	EKOW Taylor	ECHO
AMIER Boyd-Matthews	Ah-meer	KOFI Taylor-Barrocks	KO-FEE
Joe BOWMAN	BOWE-man	TEVITA TAFUNA	Tuh-VEE-tuh Tuh-Foo-nuh
RAFEALD Campbell	RAH-fay-eld	Angelo TEJADA	Tay-hah-duh
Justin CONTENT	CON-tent	SIONE TONGA-UIHA	See-on-ee Tonga-we-ha
WONDAME Davis Jr.	WAN-duh-me	LOGOLOGO VA'A	Logo-Logo Vah-AH
KYRAN Duhon	KY-ren	DILLION Williams	De-lee-on
JAVONI GARDERE	Ja-VONNY Gar-DEER	Craig WYDRA	WHY-druh
YESSMAN Green	YEZZ-men		
AZIZI Henry	Ah-zee-zee		
Landon HULLABY	Huh-LAH-bee		
Joseph IMMEDIATO	E-me-d-auto		
JEVON Jackson	JEH-von		
Luka MATAMOROS	MAH-tah-MORE-os		
A'TIQ Muhammad	Ah-Teek		
Hunter RAPOLLA	Ruh-Pole-luh		
Jalen RAYAM	Ray-UM		



# UTEP DEPTH CHART

GAME: 4 (at Colorado State)

## BLUE BLAZE OFFENSE

<b>LT</b>	65	Isaiah Wright	6-3	305	Sr.	TR	Columbia, S.C.	(Austin Peay)	3 Career Starts (3 app.)
	52	RJ Whitehead	6-5	300	R-Jr.	TR	Lambert, Miss.	(Tulane)	0 Career Starts (0 app.)
<b>LG</b>	50	Brennan Smith	6-3	305	R-Jr.	TR	East Palo Alto, Calif.	(Austin Peay)	3 Career Starts (3 app.)
	72	Tyrone D. McDuffie III	6-4	315	R-Fr.	RS	El Paso, Texas	(Parkland HS)	1 Career Starts (1 app.)
<b>C</b>	53	Ivan Escobar	6-2	305	R-Jr.	1L	El Paso, Texas	(NM State)	3 Career Starts (14 app.)
	62	Jake Riggs	6-3	295	Fr.	HS	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	(Oakland HS)	0 Career Starts (0 app.)
<b>RG</b>	59	Otis Pitts III	6-3	330	R-Sr.	2L	Grand Prairie, Texas	(Cisco College)	5 Career Starts (22 app.)
	60	Joseph Immediato	6-4	318	R-Jr.	2L	El Paso, Texas	(Eastwood HS)	0 Career Starts (20 app.)
<b>RT</b>	70	Luka Matamoros	6-5	275	Fr.	HS	Pflugerville, Texas	(Hendrickson HS)	1 Career Starts (2 app.)
	58	Jaquan Toney	6-4	285	R-Jr.	RS	Huntsville, Ala.	(NE Mississippi CC)	2 Career Starts (3 app.)
<b>TE</b>	82	Marcus Vinson	6-4	255	Jr.	1L	Duncanville, Texas	(Kilgore College)	3 Career Starts (15 app.)
	17	Judah Ezinwa	6-3	240	R-So.	RS	Fontana, Calif.	(Mt. SAC)	0 Career Starts (6 app.)
<b>WR<sup>(d)</sup></b>	6	Kenny Odom	5-8	163	R-So.	TR	Savannah, Ga.	(Austin Peay)	1 Career Starts (3 app.)
	8	Emari White	6-0	185	R-Jr.	1L	Antelope, Calif.	(Sierra College)	1 Career Starts (14 app.)
<b>WR<sup>(s)</sup></b>	3	Jaden Smith	5-10	195	Sr.	TR	Atlanta, Ga.	(Eastern Kentucky)	3 Career Starts (3 app.)
	0	Ashton Nickelberry	5-10	181	R-Jr.	TR	Brandon, Miss.	(Austin Peay)	0 Career Starts (1 app.)
<b>WR<sup>(t)</sup></b>	1	Trey Goodman	5-11	175	Sr.	TR	Atlanta, Ga.	(Austin Peay)	3 Career Starts (3 app.)
	2	Javoni Gardere	6-0	195	R-So.	RS	Dublin, Calif.	(Diablo Valley College)	0 Career Starts (5 app.)
<b>MB<sup>(t)</sup></b>	5	Kam Thomas	5-7	184	R-Jr.	TR	Birmingham, Ala.	(Austin Peay)	3 Career Starts (3 app.)
	22	Ezell Jolly	6-1	175	R-Fr.	RS	Missouri City, Texas	(Ridge Point HS)	0 Career Starts (5 app.)
<b>RB</b>	4	Jevon Jackson	5-8	205	R-Jr.	TR	Decatur, Ala.	(Austin Peay)	3 Career Starts (3 app.)
	15	Corey Wren	5-10	195	Sr.	TR	New Orleans, La.	(TCU)	0 Career Starts (2 app.)
<b>QB</b>	9	Skyler Locklear	5-11	195	R-So.	TR	Clayton, N.C.	(Austin Peay)	3 Career Starts (3 app.)
<b>-or-</b>	11	Cade McConnell	6-1	195	R-Jr.	1L	Long Beach, Calif.	(Cerritos College)	6 Career Starts (10 app.)

## ORANGE SWARM DEFENSE

<b>DE</b>	0	Maurice Westmoreland	6-2	250	Sr.	2L	Houston, Texas	(Kilgore College)	15 Career Starts (27 app.)
	17	Jaylin Jones	6-5	225	Fr.	HS	Beaumont, Texas	(West Brook HS)	0 Career Starts (2 app.)
<b>DT</b>	7	KB Johnson	6-1	275	Sr.	1L	Houston, Texas	(Kilgore College)	3 Career Starts (15 app.)
	10	Hunter Rapolla	6-3	251	Sr.	TR	Temecula, Calif.	(New Mexico)	0 Career Starts (3 app.)
<b>NT</b>	3	Sione Tonga'uiaha	6-0	295	Sr.	4L	Tempe, Ariz.	(Tempe HS)	8 Career Starts (44 app.)
	69	Joey Lightfoot	6-4	300	R-Fr.	RS	College Station, Texas	(A&M Consolidated)	0 Career Starts (2 app.)
<b>DE</b>	32	Devin Goree	6-3	265	Sr.	TR	Denton, Texas	(Missouri State)	1 Career Starts (3 app.)
	15	Bryton Thompson	6-1	250	R-Sr.	1L	Houston, Texas	(Blinn College)	2 Career Starts (18 app.)
<b>Mike</b>	41	Dorian Hopkins	6-0	226	Gr.	TR	Memphis, Tenn.	(Tulsa)	2 Career Starts (3 app.)
	21	Stratton Shufelt	6-2	230	Fr.	HS	Rio Rancho, N.M.	(Cleveland HS)	0 Career Starts (2 app.)
<b>SAM</b>	5	Tray Dunson	6-2	221	Sr.	TR	Franklin, Ga.	(Gardner-Webb)	1 Career Starts (3 app.)
	30	Nate Dyman	6-2	230	R-Jr.	RS	Missouri City, Texas	(Blinn College)	2 Career Starts (7 app.)
<b>Spur</b>	6	Kory Chapman	5-10	190	Sr.	TR	Hoover, Ala.	(Austin Peay)	3 Career Start (3 app.)
	22	Josiah Allen	5-10	179	Sr.	2L	Elk Grove, Calif.	(Sacramento City College)	15 Career Starts (26 app.)
<b>CB</b>	9	Jaylon Shelton	6-2	190	R-Jr.	TR	New London, Texas	(Texas State)	3 Career Starts (3 app.)
	14	Amier Boyd-Matthews	6-1	180	R-So.	1L	Maricopa, Ariz.	(Maricopa HS)	4 Career Starts (18 app.)
<b>FS</b>	11	Oscar Moore	6-1	208	Sr.	1L	Fort Worth, Texas	(Kilgore College)	7 Career Starts (14 app.)
	19	Landon Hullaby	6-0	205	R-So.	TR	Mansfield, Texas	(Texas Tech)	0 Career Starts (2 app.)
<b>SS</b>	2	Xavier Smith	5-10	179	Jr.	1L	Elk Grove, Calif.	(Sacramento City College)	3 Career Starts (3 app.)
	4	Dillion Williams	5-11	188	R-Jr.	TR	Nacogdoches, Texas	(North Texas)	0 Career Starts (3 app.)
<b>CB</b>	1	AJ Odums	5-11	175	Sr.	1L	Houston, Texas	(New Mexico)	15 Career Starts (15 app.)
	18	John Burris III	6-0	180	R-Jr.	1L	Mequite, Texas	(Mesquite Horn HS)	0 Career Starts (24 app.)

## WEFENSE UNIT

<b>K</b>	36	Buzz Flabiano	6-0	175	R-So.	1L	Plano East, Texas	(Plano East HS)	15 Career Appearances
	97	Joe Bowman	6-0	185	R-Jr.	TR	Carlsbad, Calif.	(SEMO)	3 Career Appearances
<b>P</b>	29	Adam Jacklin	5-11	195	R-Fr.	TR	Melbourne, Australia	(North Texas)	3 Career Appearances
	97	Joe Bowman	6-0	185	R-Jr.	TR	Carlsbad, Calif.	(SEMO)	3 Career Appearances
<b>LS</b>	37	Angelo Tejada	5-11	240	Sr.	4L	San Antonio, Texas	(Converse Judson HS)	46 Career Appearances
	39	Josh Hancock	5-9	185	R-Jr.	1L	Corpus Christie, Texas	(Coastal Christian Home School)	6 Career Appearances
<b>H</b>	11	Cade McConnell	6-1	195	R-Jr.	1L	Long Beach, Calif.	(Cerritos College)	10 Career Appearances
<b>KOR</b>	5	Kam Thomas	5-7	184	R-Jr.	TR	Birmingham, Ala.	(Austin Peay)	3 Career Appearances
	6	Kenny Odom	5-8	163	R-So.	TR	Savannah, Ga.	(Austin Peay)	3 Career Appearances
<b>PR</b>	5	Kam Thomas	5-7	184	R-Jr.	TR	Birmingham, Ala.	(Austin Peay)	3 Career Appearances

## MINER NOTABLES

### WHERE TO WATCH & LISTEN

The Miners and Flames will be nationally televised on truTV with JB Long (play-by-play), Mike Golic Jr. (analysis) and Jared Greenberg (sideline) on the call. The action returns to "The Home of UTEP Football" 600 AM ESPN with "The Voice of the UTEP Miners" **Jon Teicher** calling play-by-play in his 44th season. 'Teich', who called his 500th game last season on Oct. 11, is joined by former UTEP WR **Cole Freytag** (2012, 2014-16) in the booth providing analysis in his third season. El Paso native and long-running member of the local media **Mando Medina** will be reporting from the sidelines. The contest can also be heard on the UTEP Miners app.

### SERIES VS. COLORADO STATE

Colorado State leads the all-time series 25-10 as the series dates back to 1963. The Miners and Rams have not faced each other in 10 seasons. Colorado State won the contest 59-42 on Sept. 28, 2013. The Miners are 3-14 all-time in Fort Collins as the two programs were once Western Athletic Conference Rivals (1968-1998). The Miners were 7-22 versus the Rams during league play. The two squads last met as WAC foes in 1998 during CSU 20-17 victory. In the previous meeting, QB **Jameill Showers** went 26-of-43 for 365 yards and five touchdowns. WR **Jordan Leslie** tallied 130 yards on three receptions and two TDs. RB **Aaron Jones**, who was a true freshman, led the way with 94 yards on the ground. UTEP last won in Fort Collins on Sept. 19, 1987, during a 45-6 thrashing. QB **Pat Hegarty** threw for 317 yards and three touchdowns on 21-of-33 passing. TE **Arnie Adkison** recorded 110 yards on four receptions and punted six times for 216 yards (36.0 avg.). UTEP's last win against CSU came on Oct. 22, 2011, in a 31-17 victory during the Miners' 80th Homecoming Game in Sun Bowl Stadium. RB **Vernon Frazier** ran for 167 yards on seven carries and two touchdowns. QB **Nick Lamaison** found RB **Nathan Jeffery** on a 36-yard touchdown.

### ABOUT COLORADO STATE

The Rams fell to 1-2 after losing to Colorado 28-9 on Sept. 14 in Fort Collins. CSU chalked up a win against Northern Colorado 38-17 in Canvas Stadium. The Rams opened the season with a loss at no. 4 Texas on Aug. 31. Colorado State averages 15.7 points per game and gives up 32.3 per game. CSU is averaging 319.3 yards on offense and yielding 420.7 per contest. RB Justin Marshall is leading the ground game with 227 yards and has a rushing TD. WR Tory Horton leads with 10 receptions and 120 yards. LB Buom Jock is the team leader with 28 tackles. LB Chase Wilson has an interception and 16 tackles (second on the team). The Rams' defense has tallied only two sacks.

### CLEANING UP THE MISCUES

The Miners only committed a season-low two penalties for 25 yards at [RV] Liberty after piling on 14 for 122 yards against SUU on Sept. 7. There were only four flags accepted as the Flames were also only penalized twice. They were the least penalties committed by a UTEP team since Nov. 25, 2018. That contest was against Southern Miss in the Sun Bowl where **Scotty Walden** was on the Golden Eagles' staff. That game also saw only four total penalties committed.

### SKYLER CAREER HIGHS

QB **Skyler Locklear** recorded career highs in pass attempts (43) and completions (26) at [RV] Liberty. Locklear completed a 60-yard touchdown pass to WR Kenny Odom while throwing for 244 yards (second most during collegiate career).

### WHERE LOCKLEAR RANKS

**Skyler Locklear** leads Conference USA in completion percentage (66.3). The redshirt sophomore ranks third in CUSA in passing yards per game (218.0) and total passing yards (654). Locklear's completions (59) and attempts (89) rank second in CUSA. His 132.4 rating ranks fifth in the league. Locklear's completion percentage ranks 43rd in the nation.

### TRIPLE CROWN

QB **Skyler Locklear** did something unique on Sept. 7 against Southern Utah in his first appearance at Sun Bowl Stadium in front of over 41,000 fans. Locklear completed a trifecta as he threw for a touchdown, rushed for another and caught a game-tying score against the Thunderbirds.

### FIRST IN THE MODERN ERA

**Skyler Locklear** is the first Miner player in the modern era (post 1965) to throw a touchdown, rush for a touchdown and catch a touchdown in the same game.

### RARE ACHIEVEMENT

The last Miner to rush, pass and catch a TD in the same season was RB **Aaron Jones** in 2016. Jones threw a TD pass on Oct. 29 against Old Dominion. He also rushed for a touchdown against ODU that night. RB **Marcus Thomas** did so in 2006, and QB **Mike McCall** achieved it in 1977.

### FIRST TIME IN FBS SINCE 2015

**Skyler Locklear** is the first FBS player since Stanford's QB Kevin Hogan on Dec. 5, 2015, versus USC to pass for a touchdown, rush for a touchdown and catch a touchdown in the same game. Coincidentally, Stanford's RB Christian McCaffery did the same thing in the same contest. Rice's James Casey did it twice during the 2008 season.

### CAREER NIGHT FOR LOCKLEAR VS. SUU

**Skyler Locklear** racked up a career-high 342 yards of total offense. He threw for a career 295 yards on 22-of-29 passing (75.9 percent), 47 rushing yards and a four-yard touchdown reception. Locklear's passing yards and rushing yards were also career highs. Locklear completed a career-long 65-yard pass during the first quarter. He also completed passes of 44 and 41 yards.

### KAM WITH A PURPOSE

MB **Kam Thomas** has done it all so far. Thomas leads Conference USA in all-purpose yards per game (126.7) and total yards (380). His 12.7 yards per play rank fourth. Thomas has hit triple digits in his first three games as a Miner. The Austin Peay transfer opened the season with 132 all-purpose yards at national power Nebraska, followed by 119 against SUU, and registered 129 all-purpose yards at [RV] Liberty.

### KAM'S ALL-PURPOSE YARDS RANKINGS

**Kam Thomas** ranks first in CUSA in all-purpose yards (380), third in punt return yards (47), fourth in kickoff return yards (96), and fourth in receiving yards (238).

### CUSA LEADER IN RECEPTIONS

**Kam Thomas** leads Conference USA with 20 receptions in the first three games. He opened his UTEP career with seven receptions for 71 yards and a TD at national power Nebraska. Thomas followed up that performance with a season-high 99 yards on five catches. Recently, Thomas hauled in a season-best eight passes for 68 yards at [RV] Liberty. Thomas ranks fourth with 238 receiving yards.

### JEVON THE WORKHORSE

RB **Jevon Jackson** leads Conference USA with 50 plays. He's rushed the ball 45 times, ranking second in CUSA.

### MORE ON JEVON

**Jevon Jackson**, UTEP's leading rusher, ranks fifth in Conference USA in rushing yards (179) and rushing yards per game (59.7).

### KENNY'S GOT BURNERS

WR **Kenny Odom**, in his first start in a UTEP uniform, scored his first touchdown as a Miner on a collegiate career-long 60-yard reception at [RV] Liberty. Odom hauled in a pass down the middle at the LU 36 and raced by multiple Flames' defenders on his way to pay dirt.

## MINER NOTABLES

## ODOM'S NUMBERS

**Kenny Odom** ranks second on the team and eighth in Conference USA with 161 receiving yards on seven receptions in the first three games played. Last week against SUU, he set a collegiate career best with 97 yards receiving and followed with a career-long 60-yard touchdown reception at [RV] Liberty. Odom's 23.0 yards per catch leads the team and ranks fourth in CUSA.

## FIRST CAREER TD PASS

WR **Jaden Smith**, a senior transfer from ECU, threw his first collegiate touchdown pass against Southern Utah. It was a four-yard pass into the end zone to QB **Skyler Locklear** during the fourth quarter that helped tie the contest with no time remaining.

## A LITTLE MORE ON JADEN'S TD PASS

**Jaden Smith** is the first UTEP wide receiver to complete a pass play since WR **Tyrin Smith** did so in 2022. Smith is the first non-UTEP quarterback to throw a touchdown pass since RB **Aaron Jones** did so in 2016.

## OVER 2K

**Jaden Smith** hit over 2,000 yards receiving after tallying 56 on Sept. 7. Smith now has 2,053 receiving yards in his career after gaining 42 at [RV] Liberty. Smith recorded 1,922 while playing at ECU the previous three seasons.

## SEASON HIGHS FOR GOODMAN

WR **Trey Goodman** set season highs in receiving yards (54) and receptions (six) at [RV] Liberty. Goodman has tallied 88 yards on nine receptions in the first three games.

## GOODMAN ON EARL CAMPBELL TYLER ROSE AWARD WATCH LIST

WR **Trey Goodman** was selected to the Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award Watch List on Aug. 21. Goodman, a senior transfer wide receiver, brings stellar numbers to the 915 after following new UTEP head coach Scotty Walden from Austin Peay. The product of Atlanta, Ga., started in all 12 games at Austin Peay in 2023, helping to lead the Governors to a 9-3 overall record, a 6-0 mark and championship title in the United Athletic Conference, and an FCS playoff berth. Goodman was dynamic in Walden's offense as he led the Gobs with seven touchdown receptions and yards per catch (21.2 avg.). Overall he tallied 721 yards (second best on the team) on 34 catches (third best) and earned All-UAC first team honors.

## SHAY SEEING PLAYING TIME

True freshman QB **Shay Smith**, a graduate from Franklin High School, saw action late in the game at Nebraska. Smith completed his two pass attempts for 14 yards with a long pass of 11 yards to redshirt freshman RB **Joshua Dye**. Smith also ran a play at [RV] Liberty.

## FIRST CAREER START

RT **Luka Matamoros** started his first career game on Sept. 14 at [RV] Liberty. The true freshman has played in two games after making his collegiate debut against SUU on Sept. 7 in Sun Bowl Stadium.

## CUSA LEADERS IN TACKLES

Spur **Kory Chapman** and LB **Dorian Hopkins** are tied first in Conference USA with Jax State's Antonio Carter II in total tackles (34) and tackles per game (11.3).

## CHAPMAN &amp; HOPKINS IN FBS

**Kory Chapman** and **Dorian Hopkins** are ranked tied for seventh in FBS in total tackles (34) and tackles per game (11.3).

## #2 LUKE LAUFENBERG #LiveLikeLuke

The UTEP football team will continue to pay tribute to the late Luke Laufenberg throughout the 2024 season. Laufenberg passed away at the age of 21 on Thursday, Aug. 22, 2019 after battling cancer for two years. A tight end from Argyle, Texas, Laufenberg joined the Miners for 2019 spring ball after playing at Mesa Community College in 2017. UTEP players have worn black "LUKE" stickers on their helmets since the start of the 2019 season. Redshirt sophomore WR Javoni Gardere will wear his #2 Laufenberg jersey throughout the season. WR Justin Garrett was the first Miner to don the #2 jersey during the 2020 season and continued the trend in 2021. QB Gavin Hardison was the second Miner to don the #2 jersey (2022-23). Laufenberg played his senior season at Argyle Liberty Christian High School in Argyle, Texas, where he was named 2016 Offensive Newcomer of the Year and honorable mention All-District. He initially walked on at Texas A&M before continuing his football career at Mesa Community College, where he appeared in six games prior to being diagnosed with Burkitt lymphoma.



## #3 TRENCH WARRIOR

The "Trench Warrior" is a single digit that is assigned to the most deserving D-Lineman. They are a leader, and they embody UTEP's culture on and off the field. It is something head coach Scotty Walden created to signify that wearing a single digit on the DL means you're a "bad dude." On Aug. 26, Walden announced that senior nose tackle Sione Tonga'uia will don the no. 3 number in 2024.





## MINER NOTABLES

### CHAPMAN THE HITMAN

**Kory Chapman** led the UTEP defense with 11 tackles at [RV] Liberty. Chapman added a sack (six yards) and a TFL against the Flames. It's Chapman's third consecutive double-digit tackle effort while he's totaled 34 tackles (16 solo) in the first three games. It's also Chapman's seventh double-digit tackle performance in his collegiate career after tallying four at his previous school (Austin Peay). Chapman leads UTEP with 3.5 tackles for loss and ranks tied for fourth in CUSA.

### FIRST SACK IN A UTEP UNIFORM

**Kory Chapman** recorded his first sack as a Miner at Liberty. Chapman got to Liberty QB Kaidon Salter for a six-yard loss during the second quarter. For Chapman, it was his first full sack since 2022, and his fifth career sack after tallying 4.0 at Austin Peay.

### D-HOP SWARMING

LB **Dorian Hopkins** has also been impressive to start 2024, as he gathered another nine tackles at [RV] Liberty, and upped his total to 34 stops – tied most in CUSA with two other players including teammate Kory Chapman. Hopkins is averaging 11.3 tackles per game, ranked tied for seventh in FBS. The graduate senior transfer has added 2.0 tackles for loss, a fumble recovery, and a forced fumble in his first and only season with the Miners.

### HOPKINS'S STELLAR DEBUT

LB **Dorian Hopkins**, a graduate transfer from Tulsa, racked up a collegiate career-high 16 tackles (six solo) along with a tackle for loss and first career fumble recovery at Nebraska on Aug. 31. Hopkins is the first Miner since LB **Aj Hotchkins** to lead the team in tackles in their UTEP debut. Hotchkins tallied 13 stops against Northern Arizona on Sept. 1, 2018, in his first game as a Miner.

### MOST TACKLES IN A SEASON OPENER SINCE 2009

**Dorian Hopkins's** 16 tackles were the most during a season opener in 15 seasons. DB **Da'Mon Cromartie-Smith** racked up 19 stops to open the 2009 campaign against Buffalo on Sept. 5.

### X MARKS THE STOP

S **Xavier Smith** recorded a season-high 10 tackles and recovered his first collegiate fumble at [RV] Liberty. It's Smith's fourth double-digit tackle effort in his collegiate career after registering three at Austin Peay last season. Smith has 25 tackles, ranking third in the team.

### TAFUNA'S FIRST SACK/FORCED FUMBLE

NT **Tevita Tafuna**, a redshirt senior, recorded his first career quarterback sack and forced fumble during the second quarter at [RV] Liberty.

### DYMAN IN THE ROUGH

LB **Nate Dyman**, in his second consecutive start, registered a career-best nine tackles and recorded his first career fumble recovery at [RV] Liberty. Dyman in his first career start against SUU on Sept. 7, recorded his first career tackles for loss (1.5) and pass breakup. Overall in his first full season, Dyman has tallied 17 tackles (fifth most on the team), while his 2.5 tackles for loss ranks second on the defense.

### JUMP ON THE BALL

UTEP has recovered three fumbles in 2024, ranking second in CUSA behind Kennesaw State (four). LB **Dorian Hopkins**, S **Xavier Smith** and LB **Nate Dyman** have each recovered fumbles so far.

### FORCING THE ISSUE

Three Miners have each forced a fumble as S **Landon Hullaby**, NT **Tevita Tafuna** and LB **Dorian Hopkins** are three of 19 CUSA players who have forced a fumble in 2024.

## NCAA TEAM RANKINGS

NCAA CATEGORY	UTEP	CSU
Total Offense	111	112
Rushing Offense	116	71
Passing Offense	66	117
Team Passing Efficiency	91	129
Scoring Offense	127	122
Total Defense	114	112
Rushing Defense	123	74
Passing Yards Allowed	75	123
Team Passing Efficiency Defense	120	124
Scoring Defense	113	116
Turnover Margin	98	124
3rd Down Conversion Pct.	121	84
4th Down Conversion Pct.	47	46
3rd Down Conversion Pct. Defense	129	104
4th Down Conversion Pct. Defense	t1	59
Red Zone Offense	127	119
Red Zone Defense	50	101
Net Punting	100	40
Punt Returns	9	4
Kickoff Returns	100	95
First Downs Offense	103	98
First Downs Defense	124	105
Fewest Penalties Per Game	110	26
Fewest Penalty Yards Per Game	109	33
Time of Possession	114	60

## TEAM LEADERS

**UTEP - OFF: 13.7 PPG/321.0 YPG | DEF: 31.7 PPG/432.3 YPG**

Rushing	Att.	Net	Avg.	TD	YPG
Jevon Jackson	45	179	4.0	0	59.7
Skyler Locklear	32	82	2.6	1	27.3

Passing	C-A-I	Pct.	Yds.	TD	YPG
Skyler Locklear	59-89-3	66.3	654	3	218.0
Cade McConnell	3-7-1	42.9	20	0	20.0

Receiving	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Kam Thomas	20	238	11.9	1	79.3
Jaden Smith	15	131	8.7	0	43.7

Defense	U-A-TT	TFL	SACK	FF-FR
Dorian Hopkins	11-23-34	2.0-3	0.0-0	1-1 (0)
Kory Chapman	16-18-34	3.5-9	1.0-6	0-0 (0)

**COLORADO STATE - OFF: 15.7 PPG/319.3 YPG | DEF: 32.3 PPG/420.7 YPG**

Rushing	Att.	Net	Avg.	TD	YPG
Justin Marshall	49	227	4.6	1	75.7
Keegan Holles	15	97	6.5	1	32.3

Passing	C-A-I	Pct.	Yds.	TD	YPG
Brayden Fowler-Nicolosi	50-84-3	59.5	470	1	156.7
Jackson Brousseau	3-6-1	50.0	15	0	7.5

Receiving	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YPG
Tory Horton	10	120	12.0	0	40.0
Caleb Goodie	5	76	15.2	1	25.3

Defense	U-A-TT	TFL	SACK	FF-FR
Buom Jock	8-20-28	1.5-2	0.0-0	1 - 0 (0)
Chase Wilson	7-16-23	2.0-6	0.0-0	0 - 1 (0)



## MINER NOTABLES

## MOORE TACKLES

S **Oscar Moore** has tallied 19 tackles in three games in 2024, ranking fourth on the team. He's added a 0.5 TFL.

## LONGEST ACTIVE STARTS BY A MINER

CB **AJ Odums** and Bandit **Maurice Westmoreland** have each started in 15 consecutive games dating back to the 2023 season.

## CONSECUTIVE STARTS FOR AJ

CB **AJ Odums** has started in 15 consecutive games since transferring to UTEP before the 2023 season. It's tied for the longest active streak by a Miner. The senior started all 12 games last year and all three in '24. For his career, Odums has started in 28 straight games dating back to the 2022 season while playing at New Mexico. Since the beginning of the '22 campaign, Odums has started in 26 of 27 games played and 26 of 32 games during his college career.

## MO'S 15 STRAIGHT STARTS

Bandit **Maurice Westmoreland** has also started in 15 consecutive games, tied for the longest active streak by a Miner. Westmoreland played in all 12 games in 2022 and started in all 12 last year. Overall, Westmoreland has started in 15 of 27 games since transferring to UTEP from Kilgore College.

## KEEPING LIBERTY'S RUSHING ATTACK IN CHECK

UTEP allowed a season-low 187 rushing yards at [RV] Liberty. The Flames went into the ball game averaging 248.0 per contest.

## FIRST CAREER SACKS FOR KD

DT **KD Johnson**, who was picked as one of UTEP's CUSA Preseason Players to Watch, registered his first career sack in the third quarter during the Southern Utah contest. Johnson got to the QB again, recording his second sack during the overtime period. It was Johnson's first multi-sack game since getting 2.0 at Blinn College on Sept. 11, 2021, while playing at Kilgore College. Johnson recorded 9.0 sacks in 22 career games at Kilgore.

## KD'S SECOND SEASON SO FAR

**KD Johnson** ranks tied second in Conference USA with four other players with his 2.0 sacks. He's added eight total tackles and 2.0 tackles for loss in 2024.

## FIRST CAREER FULL SACK

Spur **Josiah Allen** recorded his first career full sack during the second quarter against Southern Utah. He previously had recorded a 0.5 sack at Northwestern last season.

## MO ON A TRIO OF WATCH LISTS

**Maurice Westmoreland** was named to the Bronko Nagurski Watch List on July 30, the Lombardi Award Watch List on Aug. 15, and Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List on Aug. 21. The product of Houston put up big numbers in 2023, racking up a team-high 7.5 sacks. Westmoreland showed out on national television at FIU on Oct. 11, tallying career-highs in tackles (six), tackles for loss (3.5) and sacks (2.5). Westmoreland earned the Conference USA Defensive Player of the Week after the tremendous effort.

## ANOTHER PUNTER FROM DOWN UNDER

P **Adam Jacklin** stayed in the state of Texas and transferred from North Texas to boot balls at UTEP in 2023. The redshirt freshman is a 27-year old native of Melbourne, Australia. Jacklin will be the third consecutive Aussie punting at UTEP following P Joshua Sloan (2020-2023) and P Mitchell Crawford (2018-2019).

## HIS FIRST CLASS IS FIRST CLASS

UTEP Head Coach **Scotty Walden's** first ever signing class included multiple three-star rated student-athletes by 247Sports, while his first class ranked no. 1 in Conference USA according to Rivals.com and no. 2 according to 247Sports.

## QUICK RUNDOWN OF NSD 2024

During the early signing day period, 23 players were inked in December before revealing nine midyear transfers during the month of January. On Feb. 7, 2024, National Signing Day, Scotty Walden added 14 freshmen to the roster.

## INSTILLING THE BRAND AND CULTURE

Eleven players from Austin Peay transferred to the UTEP following **Scotty Walden's** hire. SPUR **Kory Chapman**, WR **Trey Goodman**, RB **Jevon Jackson**, QB **Skyler Locklear**, WR **Ashton Nickelberry**, WR **Kenny Odom**, OL **Brennan Smith**, S **Xavier Smith**, RB **Marquez Taylor**, MB **Kam Thomas** and OL **Isaiah Wright** are now Miners and have been vital in helping the spread Walden's style and culture in the program.

## HOME COOKING

UTEP's 2024 roster features 21 players from El Paso. OL **Luis Carlos Aranda** (Franklin HS), OL **Rolando Beltran** (Eastlake HS), OL **Juan Camacho Jr.** (Bowie HS), OL **Christopher Day** (Canutillo HS), CB **Malachi Do** (Andress HS), OL **Ivan Escobar** (Montwood HS), WR **Lucas Flores** (Ysleta HS), Bandit **Edgar Garcia** (El Paso HS), S **Jaime Guerrero** (Eastlake HS), S **Cam Harrelson** (Montwood HS), OL **Joseph Immediato** (Eastwood HS), DL **Rafael Jaquez** (Pebble Hills HS), RB **Xavier Johnson** (Hanks HS), TE **Julian Lopez** (Chapin HS), OL **Tyrone D. McDuffie III** (Parkland HS), WR **Miles McWhorter** (Franklin HS), QB **Zach Rodriguez** (El Paso HS), QB **Shay Smith** (Franklin HS), QB **Michael Southern** (Montwood HS), WR **Marcus Torres** (Pebble Hills HS) and OL **Craig Wydra** (Andress HS) are playing for their hometown Miners.

## YOUNG ENERGY

New UTEP Football Head Coach **Scotty Walden** is the second youngest coach in the nation at 34 years young. Arizona State's Kenny Dillingham, 34, is about five months younger than Walden. Texas State's GJ Kinne and Boise State's Spencer Danielson are both 35. Sean Lewis (San Diego State), Dan Lanning (Oregon), Sherrone Moore (Michigan), Marcus Freeman (Notre Dame), Eric Morris (North Texas) and Michael Desormeaux (Louisiana) are 38.

## GO WEST, YOUNG MAN

The Miners' coaching staff is the third youngest in the nation at 34.7 years old. UTEP ranks behind Old Dominion (34.5) and Georgia Southern (33.2). Indiana (38.2), Sam Houston (38.9), UTSA (39.2) and Iowa State (40.0) round out the top seven youngest staff.

## YOUNG GUNS

UTEP football assistants running backs coach **Jourdan McNeill** and defense coordinator **Joe Pappalardo** were recognized to the prestigious 247Sports annual 30Under30 list on Aug. 7. The initial list in 2017 included multiple future FBS head coaches including current head coach **Scotty Walden**.

## UP NEXT

UTEP, following a bye week, will return to CUSA action on Thursday, Oct. 3, when it hosts Sam Houston. The Miners and Bearkats are set for a 7 p.m. MT kickoff as the contest will be nationally televised on CBSSN.

## MINER NOTABLES

### 2024 UTEP FOOTBALL CAPTAINS

#### OFFENSE



**Trey  
GOODMAN**  
#1 / WR



**Jevon  
JACKSON**  
#4 / RB

#### DEFENSE



**Kory  
CHAPMAN**  
#6 / SPUR



**Maurice  
WESTMORELAND**  
#0 / BANDIT

#### WEFENSE



**AJ  
ODUMS**  
#1 / CB



**Kam  
THOMAS**  
#5 / MINER BACK

#### 2024 "UTEP Football with Scotty Walden" Radio Show Dates/Locations

Wednesday, Aug. 28 (6-7 pm)	Deadbeach Brewery
Wednesday, Sept. 4 (6-7pm)	Border City Ale House
Wednesday, Sept. 11 (6-7 pm)	Deadbeach Brewery
Wednesday, Sept. 18 (6-7 pm)	Border City Ale House
Tuesday, Oct. 1 (6-7 pm)	Deadbeach Brewery
Tuesday, Oct. 8 (6-7 pm)	Border City Ale House
Friday, Oct. 11 (6-7 pm)	Deadbeach Brewery
Friday, Oct. 18 (6-7 pm)	Border City Ale House
Wednesday, Oct. 30 (5-6 pm)	Deadbeach Brewery
Wednesday, Nov. 6 (6-7 pm)	Border City Ale House
Tuesday, Nov. 19 (6-7 pm)	Deadbeach Brewery
Tue., Nov. 27 or Fri., Nov. 29 (5-6 pm)	Border City Ale House

#### LOCATIONS & ADDRESS

**Deadbeach Brewery:** 3200 Durazno Ave.

**Border City Ale Houst:** 1506 N. Lee Trevino Dr.

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### 2024 UTEP FOOTBALL TRENDS

OVERALL	0-3
VS. CONFERENCE USA	0-1
NONCONFERENCE RECORD	0-2
HOME	0-1
AWAY	0-2
DAY GAMES	0-1
NIGHT GAMES	0-2
VS. TOP 25 TEAMS	0-0
NEUTRAL	0-0
NATIONAL TV	0-1
FOX	0-1
CBSSN	0-0
ESPN2	0-0
ESPN+	0-2
PAC 12 NETWORK	0-0

#### OFFENSE

WHEN SCORING FIRST	0-2
WHEN THE OPPONENT SCORES FIRST	0-1
WHEN LEADING AT HALFTIME	0-1
WHEN TRAILING AT HALFTIME	0-2
WHEN TIED AT HALFTIME	0-0
WHEN LEADING AFTER THIRD QUARTER	0-1
WHEN TRAILING AFTER THIRD QUARTER	0-2
WHEN TIED AFTER THIRD QUARTER	0-0
IN OVERTIME GAMES	0-1
WHEN SCORING LESS THAN 20 POINTS	0-2
WHEN SCORING 20+ POINTS	0-1
WHEN SCORING 30+ POINTS	0-0
WHEN SCORING 40+ POINTS	0-0
WHEN RUSHING FOR < 100 YARDS	0-2
WHEN RUSHING FOR 100+ YARDS	0-1
WHEN RUSHING FOR 200+ YARDS	0-0
WHEN PASSING FOR 200+ YARDS	0-1
WHEN PASSING FOR 250+ YARDS	0-1
WHEN PASSING FOR 300+ YARDS	0-0
WHEN TOTALING < 300 YDS TOTAL OFFENSE	0-1
WHEN GAINING 300+ YDS TOTAL OFFENSE	0-2
WHEN HAVING NO TURNOVERS	0-1
WHEN HAVING LESS THAN 3 TURNOVERS	0-1
WHEN HAVING 3 OR MORE TURNOVERS	0-1
WHEN HAVING MORE THAN 30:00 TOP	0-0
WHEN HAVING LESS THAN 30:00 TOP	0-3

#### DEFENSE

WHEN ALLOWING LESS THAN 20 POINTS	0-0
WHEN ALLOWING 20+ POINTS	0-2
WHEN ALLOWING 30+ POINTS	0-1
WHEN ALLOWING < 100 YDS RUSHING	0-0
WHEN ALLOWING 100+ YDS RUSHING	0-1
WHEN ALLOWING 200+ YDS RUSHING	0-2
WHEN ALLOWING < 200 YARDS PASSING	0-1
WHEN ALLOWING 200+ YARDS PASSING	0-1
WHEN ALLOWING 250+ YARDS PASSING	0-1
WHEN ALLOWING 300+ YARDS PASSING	0-0
WHEN ALLOWING < 300 YDS TOTAL OFFENSE	0-0
WHEN ALLOWING 300+ YDS TOTAL OFFENSE	0-3
WHEN HAVING NO TAKEAWAYS	0-2
WHEN HAVING 3 OR LESS TAKEAWAYS	0-1

UTEP HEAD COACH



SCOTTY  
WALDEN

SUL ROSS STATE '12

FIRST SEASON AT UTEP

SEVENTH SEASON AS A HEAD COACH

Scotty Walden, native Texan and one of the most dynamic young head coaches in the country, was named UTEP Football's 27th head coach on Dec. 4, 2023.

Walden, 34, joins the Miners after four seasons as the head coach at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, Tenn. This year, he led the Governors to a 9-3 record, a perfect 6-0 mark in the United Athletic Conference, and a no. 13 FCS national ranking. It marked the first undefeated conference season in school history. He was named a finalist for the Eddie Robinson Award, presented by FedEx Ground and Stats Perform to the FCS National Coach of the Year. Austin Peay has won four conference titles since 1977 – with two coming under Walden's watch. He is the only coach to lead Austin Peay to two conference championships.

The Cleburne, Texas, native led the Governors to a 26-14 mark with four winning seasons (4-2 in COVID-shortened 2020-21 campaign, 6-5 in 2021, 7-4 in 2022, 9-3 in 2023). The Governors hadn't enjoyed back-to-back winning campaigns since 1983-84 prior to Walden's arrival. His career head coaching record is 34-20, including 7-3 in one season heading up the program at East Texas Baptist University in 2016. Walden was also interim head coach at Southern Miss for four games in 2020.

The 2023 Austin Peay squad ranked fourth nationally in passing efficiency (162.17), ninth in scoring offense (34.1 ppg), 11th in passing completion percentage (.667), 13th in passing offense (274.1 ypg) and 15th in total offense (426.8 ypg). The Governors set school

records for scoring offense, total offense and passing offense. Austin Peay also rated seventh in the country in third down conversion defense with a stingy .303 percentage, and the Governors' three defensive touchdowns ranked 12th nationally. Austin Peay's special teams unit was equally stellar, leading the country in punt returns with a 21.3-yard average.

Austin Peay rattled off a school-record nine consecutive wins after opening the season 0-2, including a 30-13 setback at then-ninth ranked Tennessee on Sept. 9. Playing before over 100,000 hostile fans, the Governors were tied with the Vols, 6-6, shortly before halftime and trailed by 10 points (23-13) midway through the fourth quarter.

In 2022, Walden led the Governors to the third conference title in program history. Austin Peay was the top defense in the ASUN Conference, ranking fourth in the FCS in third down conversion percentage defense (.308), 12th in total defense (317.2 ypg), 19th in passing defense (188.7 ypg) and 20th in rushing defense (128.5 ypg). Offensively, Austin Peay averaged 202.3 rushing yards and



WALDEN COACHING RECORD			
SEASON	SCHOOL	OVERALL	CONFERENCE
		W-L	W-L
2016	East Texas Baptist	7-3	3-3 (4th)
2020	Southern Miss	1-3	1-1
2020-21	Austin Peay	4-2	4-2 (3rd)
2021	Austin Peay	6-5	4-2 (t-2nd)
2022	Austin Peay	7-4	3-2 (t-1st)
2023	Austin Peay	9-3	6-0 (1st)
TOTALS		34-20	21-10



# UTEP HEAD COACH

243.3 passing yards per game, marking the first time in program history that the Governors averaged 200-plus rushing and passing yards per game in the same season.

In 2021, the Governors tied a school record with seven First Team All-OVC selections and 14 total All-OVC picks.

While at Austin Peay, Walden has coached four consensus All-America honorees – Kordell Jackson (2020), DeAngelo Wilson (2020), Johnathon Edwards (2021) and Koby Perry (2021). Bucky Williams was an American Football Coaches Association Second Team All-American and a HERO Sports Sophomore All-American in 2020. Draylen Ellis and Terrell Allen received Sophomore All-America honors in 2021. Drae McCray was also tabbed a HERO Sports All-America in 2021.

Walden has also coached 28 All-Conference players and four league All-Newcomer selections during his time at Austin Peay.

His teams have also excelled academically. In five of six semesters since Walden's arrival, the Governors posted a 3.0 cumulative team grade point average, including a program record 3.28 GPA during the spring 2022 semester. The Governors also claimed the 2020-21 and 2021-22 OVC Team Academic Achievement Awards.

After joining the Southern Miss staff as wide receivers coach in 2017, he was promoted to co-offensive coordinator for the 2019 season. In 2019, the American Football Coaches Association tabbed Walden as a Top 35 coach under 35 years of age. He coached first team All-Confer-

ence USA selection wideout Quez Watkins, who led the league with 64 catches and 1,178 receiving yards (17th in the FBS). Watkins' 107.1 receiving yards per game also ranked sixth in the FBS. He was selected in the sixth round of the 2020 NFL Draft by Philadelphia, and has appeared in 45 games for the Eagles with 23 starts since then.

Walden took over for Jay Hopson as interim head coach at Southern Miss in September of 2020, and was hired by Austin Peay as head coach shortly thereafter.

Walden was the youngest head coach in the NCAA (26 years old) at the time of his hiring at East Texas Baptist. He directed the Tigers to a national ranking in a school-record nine consecutive weeks, climbing as high as no. 15. East Texas Baptist also generated the no. 1 scoring offense (49.9 points per game) for all levels of the NCAA and the no. 2 total offense in Division III (school-record 564.3 yards per game).

Walden was offensive coordinator at East Texas Baptist for three years (2013-15) prior to being elevated to head coach. In his time as an assistant, ETBU football players broke a combined 26 individual and team records. One of his protégés was wide receiver Jamaine Sherman, a first team All-Conference honoree who became the first player in school history

to sign an NFL contract with the St. Louis Rams in 2014.

He got his start in coaching at his alma mater, Sul Ross State, serving as offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach for the 2012 season. His team broke 16 offensive school records in 2012, including most yards in a game (800) and points in a game (75). The Lobos ranked no. 1 in Division III in total offense (581.9 ypg), no. 2 in first downs (271), no. 3 in scoring offense (48.8 ppg), no. 9 in passing efficiency (164.30), no. 11 in passing offense (333 ypg) and no. 19 in rushing offense (248.9 ypg). Walden coached six All-Conference players, two D3football.com All-Americans and one Beyond Sports Network All-American.

He began his college playing days at Dordt College in Sioux Center, Iowa (2008), where he was named the starting quarterback as a freshman. His career continued at Hardin-Simmons University (2009-10), where he doubled as a quarterback and defensive back, before concluding at Sul Ross State as a quarterback and team captain in 2011.

He earned his Bachelor of History, graduating Magna Cum Laude, from Sul Ross State in 2012. He added a Master of Education, graduating Summa Cum Laude, from Sul Ross State in 2014.

Walden and his wife, Callie have two sons, Luca and Maverick.

## WALDEN FILE

### Personal

**Hometown:** Cleburne, Texas

### Education

**College:** Sul Ross State

### Playing Experience

**2008:** Dordt College

**2009-10:** Hardin Simmons

**2011:** Sul Ross State

### Coaching Experience

**2024-Present:** UTEP Head Coach

**2021-23:** Austin Peay Head Coach

**2020:** Southern Miss Interim Head Coach

**2019-20:** Southern Miss Co-Offensive Coord.

**2017-18:** Southern Miss Wide Receivers

**2016:** East Baptist Texas Head Coach

**2013-15:** East Baptist Texas Offensive Coord.

**2012:** Sul Ross State Offensive Coord./QBs



# 2024 STATISTICS

	UTEP	OPP
<b>Scoring</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>95</b>
Points per game	13.7	31.7
Points Off Turnovers	7	14
<b>First Downs</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>70</b>
Rushing	22	33
Passing	23	30
Penalty	2	7
<b>Rushing Yardage</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>670</b>
Yards gained rushing	357	742
Yards lost rushing	86	72
Rushing attempts	90	137
Average per rush	3.0	4.9
Average per game	90.3	223.3
TDs Rushing	1	8
<b>Passing Yardage</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>627</b>
Comp-Att-Int	65-99-4	51-73-0
Average per pass	7.0	8.6
Average per catch	10.6	12.3
Average per game	230.7	209.0
TDs Passing	4	4
<b>Total offense</b>	<b>963</b>	<b>1297</b>
Total plays	189	210
Average per play	5.1	6.2
Average per game	321.0	432.3
<b>Kick returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>7-114</b>	<b>6-121</b>
<b>Punt returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>2-47</b>	<b>5-32</b>
<b>Int returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>4-64</b>
<b>Kick return average</b>	<b>16.3</b>	<b>20.2</b>
<b>Punt return average</b>	<b>23.5</b>	<b>6.4</b>
<b>Int return average</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>16.0</b>
<b>Fumbles-Lost</b>	<b>3-1</b>	<b>6-3</b>
<b>Penalties-Yards</b>	<b>25-223</b>	<b>14-135</b>
Average per game	74.3	45.0
<b>Punts-Yards</b>	<b>15-586</b>	<b>12-473</b>
Average per punt	39.1	39.4
Net punt average	36.9	33.8
<b>Kickoffs-Yards</b>	<b>11-567</b>	<b>17-1058</b>
Average per kick	51.5	62.2
Net kick average	33.9	41.6
<b>Time of possession / game</b>	<b>26:26</b>	<b>33:34</b>
<b>3rd-down conversion</b>	<b>11/40</b>	<b>24/45</b>
3rd-down pct	28%	53%
<b>4rd-down conversion</b>	<b>3/5</b>	<b>0/2</b>
4rd-down pct	60%	0%
<b>Sacks by-Yards</b>	<b>7-34</b>	<b>8-42</b>
<b>Misc Yards</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Touchdowns scored</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Field goals - attempts</b>	<b>2-5</b>	<b>3-4</b>
<b>On-Side kicks</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>
<b>Red-zone scores</b>	<b>(5-8) 63%</b>	<b>(10-13) 77%</b>
<b>Red-zone touchdowns</b>	<b>(3-8) 38%</b>	<b>(8-13) 62%</b>
<b>PAT-attempts</b>	<b>(5-5) 100%</b>	<b>(10-10) 100%</b>
<b>2-point conversion-attempts</b>	<b>(0-0) 0%</b>	<b>(1-2) 50%</b>
<b>Attendance</b>	<b>41609</b>	<b>107877</b>
Games / Avg per game	1/41609	2/53939
Neutral site games	-	0/0

## Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
UTEP	24	3	7	7	0	41
Opponents	20	30	22	20	3	95

# 2024 STATISTICS

## Rushing

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Jevon Jackson	3	45	197	18	179	4.0	0	19	59.7
Skyler Locklear	3	32	131	49	82	2.6	1	15	27.3
Cade McConnell	3	2	12	0	12	6.0	0	10	4.0
Corey Wren	3	5	14	9	5	1.0	0	9	1.7
Jaden Smith	3	1	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	0	-0.3
Kam Thomas	3	2	2	3	-1	-0.5	0	2	-0.3
Shay Smith	2	3	1	6	-5	-1.7	0	1	-2.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>90.3</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>742</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>223.3</b>

## Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Skyler Locklear	3	132.4	59-89-3	66.3	654	3	65	218.0
Cade McConnell	3	38.3	3-7-1	42.9	20	0	11	6.7
Shay Smith	2	158.8	2-2-0	100.0	14	0	11	7.0
Jaden Smith	3	463.6	1-1-0	100.0	4	1	4	1.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>129.6</b>	<b>65-99-4</b>	<b>65.7</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>230.7</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>160.1</b>	<b>51-73-0</b>	<b>69.9</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>209.0</b>

## Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Kam Thomas	3	20	238	11.9	1	65	79.3
Jaden Smith	3	15	131	8.7	0	41	43.7
Trey Goodman	3	9	88	9.8	0	15	29.3
Kenny Odom	3	7	161	23.0	1	60	53.7
Jevon Jackson	3	5	31	6.2	1	10	10.3
Marcus Vinson	3	4	18	4.5	0	7	6.0
Skyler Locklear	3	2	5	2.5	1	4	1.7
Emari White	3	1	6	6.0	0	6	2.0
Joshua Dye	2	1	11	11.0	0	11	5.5
Ashton Nickelberry	1	1	3	3.0	0	3	3.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>230.7</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>12.3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>209.0</b>

## Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Kam Thomas	2	47	23.5	0	29
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>23.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>

## Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>16.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>43</b>

## Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Kam Thomas	6	96	16.0	0	23
Kenny Odom	1	18	18.0	0	18
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>16.3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>20.2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>35</b>

## Fumble Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Dorian Hopkins	1	0	0.0	0	0
Xavier Smith	1	0	0.0	0	0
Nate Dyman	1	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>



# 2024 STATISTICS

### Scoring

Player	td	fg	PAT				dxp	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass			
Skyler Locklear	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Buzz Flabiano	-	2-5	5-5	-	-	-	-	-	11
Kam Thomas	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Jevon Jackson	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Kenny Odom	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	5	2-5	5-5	0	0	0	0	0	41
Opponents	12	3-4	10-10	1	0	0	0	1	95

### Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Buzz Flabiano	2-5	40.0	0-0	1-2	0-1	1-2	0-0	43	0
Opponents	3-4	75.0	0-0	1-1	2-3	0-0	0-0	38	0

### FG Sequence

Team Name	UTEP	Opponents
Southern Utah	(43),26,,32	39,(38),(33)
Liberty	(25),42	
Nebraska		(20)

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made

### Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Skyler Locklear	3	121	82	654	736	245.3
Jevon Jackson	3	45	179	0	179	59.7
Cade McConnell	3	9	12	20	32	10.7
Shay Smith	2	5	-5	14	9	4.5
Corey Wren	3	5	5	0	5	1.7
Jaden Smith	3	2	-1	4	3	1.0
Kam Thomas	3	2	-1	0	-1	-0.3
Total	3	189	271	692	963	321.0
Opponents	3	210	670	627	1297	432.3

### Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	120	50+	blk
Adam Jacklin	14	550	39.3	54	0	4	3	1	0
Team	1	36	36.0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total	15	586	39.1	54	0	5	3	1	0
Opponents	12	473	39.4	63	1	5	3	2	0

### Kickoffs

Player	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydln
Joe Bowman	11	567	51.5	3	1			
Total	11	567	51.5	3	1	6	33.9	31
Opponents	17	1058	62.2	8	1	7	41.6	23

### All Purpose

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Kam Thomas	3	-1	238	47	96	0	380	126.7
Jevon Jackson	3	179	31	0	0	0	210	70.0
Kenny Odom	3	0	161	0	18	0	179	59.7
Jaden Smith	3	-1	131	0	0	0	130	43.3
Trey Goodman	3	0	88	0	0	0	88	29.3
Skyler Locklear	3	82	5	0	0	0	87	29.0
Marcus Vinson	3	0	18	0	0	0	18	6.0
Cade McConnell	3	12	0	0	0	0	12	4.0
Joshua Dye	2	0	11	0	0	0	11	5.5
Emari White	3	0	6	0	0	0	6	2.0
Corey Wren	3	5	0	0	0	0	5	1.7
Ashton Nickelberry	1	0	3	0	0	0	3	3.0
Shay Smith	2	-5	0	0	0	0	-5	-2.5
Total	3	271	692	47	114	0	1124	374.7
Opponents	3	670	627	32	121	64	1514	504.7

# 2024 STATISTICS

## Team Defense

##	Player	gp	Tackles				Sacks	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot	tfl/yds		int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick	saf
6	Kory Chapman	3	16	18	34	3.5-9	1-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
41	Dorian Hopkins	3	11	23	34	2-3	.	.	.	.	1-0	1	.	.
2	Xavier Smith	3	10	15	25	.	.	.	1	.	1-0	.	.	.
11	Oscar Moore	3	9	10	19	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30	Nate Dyman	3	10	7	17	2.5-3	.	.	1	.	1-0	.	.	.
22	Josiah Allen	3	10	5	15	2-7	1-6	.	2	.	.	.	.	.
1	Aj Odums	3	9	4	13	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
9	Jaylon Shelton	3	8	3	11	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
0	Maurice Westmoreland	3	6	3	9	.	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
15	Bryton Thompson	3	3	5	8	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
7	KD Johnson	3	4	4	8	2-9	2-9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	Sione Tonga'uiha	3	2	6	8	2-8	1-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
32	Devin Goree	3	4	1	5	0.5-1	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
19	Landon Hullaby	2	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
33	Kyran Duhon	3	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26	Lantz Russell	3	3	1	4	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
5	Tray Dunson	3	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
36	Ekow Taylor	2	1	2	3	0.5-2	0.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
50	Tevita Tafuna	3	2	1	3	1-4	1-4	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
10	Hunter Rapolla	3	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
24	Jaime Guerrero	3	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
4	Dillion Williams	3	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
92	Quinzavious Warren	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
53	Ivan Escobar	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
59	Otis Pitts III	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44	Jalen Rayam	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
69	Joey Lightfoot	2	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
4	Jevon Jackson	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Totals</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>17-48</b>	<b>7-34</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3-0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Opponents		3	110	84	194	26-90	8-42	4-64	10	9	1-0	1	0	1

# 2024 START CHART

## OFFENSE

OPPONENT	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	WR	WR	WR/MB	WR/TE	RB	QB
at Nebraska	Wright	Smith	Escobar	Pitts III	Toney	Goodman	Smith	Thomas	Vinson	Jackson	Locklear
Southern Utah	Wright	Smith	Escobar	Pitts III	Toney	Goodman	Smith	Thomas	Vinson	Jackson	Locklear
at Liberty*	Wright	Smith	Escobar	Pitts III	Toney	Goodman	Smith	Thomas	Odom	Jackson	Locklear
at Colorado State	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sam Houston*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
at WKU*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FIU*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
at LA Tech*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Middle Tennessee*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kennesaw State*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
at Tennessee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
at NM State*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

## DEFENSE

OPPONENT	DE	NT	DT	Bandit/DE	LB	LB	SPUR	CB	S	S	CB
at Nebraska	Goree	Tonga'uiha	Johnson	Westmoreland	Dunson	Rayam	Chapman	Shelton	Moore	Smith	Odums
Southern Utah	Thompson	Tonga'uiha	Johnson	Westmoreland	Dyman	Hopkins	Chapman	Shelton	Moore	Smith	Odums
at Liberty*	Thompson	Tonga'uiha	Johnson	Westmoreland	Dyman	Hopkins	Chapman	Shelton	Allen	Smith	Odums
at Colorado State	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sam Houston	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
at WKU*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FIU*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
at LA Tech*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Middle Tennessee*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kennesaw State*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
at Tennessee	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
at NM State*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



# 2024 GAME-BY-GAME

## RUSHING GAME-BY-GAME

Player	No-Yds/TD	Nebr	SUU	Lib
Jevon Jackson	45-179/0	10-32/0	20-80/0	15-67/0
Skyler Locklear	32-82/1	4-15/0	15-47/1	13-20/0
Corey Wren	5-5/0	4-2/0	-	1-3/0
Shay Smith	3--5/0	2--6/0	DNP	1-1/0
Cade McConnell	2-12/0	2-12/0	-	-
Kam Thomas	2--1/0	1-2/0	1--3/0	-
Jaden Smith	1--1/0	1--1/0	-	-

## RECEIVING GAME-BY-GAME

Player	No-Yds/TD	Nebr	SUU	Lib
Kam Thomas	20-238/1	7-71/1	5-99/0	8-68/0
Jaden Smith	15-131/0	4-33/0	4-56/0	7-42/0
Trey Goodman	9-88/0	2-26/0	1-8/0	6-54/0
Kenny Odom	7-161/1	-	5-97/0	2-64/1
Jevon Jackson	5-31/1	-	4-22/1	1-9/0
Marcus Vinson	4-18/0	1-5/0	3-13/0	-
Skyler Locklear	2-5/1	-	1-4/1	1-1/0
Joshua Dye	1-11/0	1-11/0	-	DNP
Emari White	1-6/0	-	-	1-6/0
Ashton Nickelberry	1-3/0	1-3/0	DNP	DNP

## PASSING GAME-BY-GAME

#3 Jaden Smith	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
Southern Utah	1	1	0	100.0	4	1	4	0-0	463.6
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>463.6</b>

#7 Shay Smith	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
Nebraska	2	2	0	100.0	14	0	11	1-4	158.8
<b>Totals</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1-4</b>	<b>158.8</b>

#9 Skyler Locklear	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
Nebraska	11	17	1	64.7	115	1	38	1-5	129.2
Southern Utah	22	29	0	75.9	295	1	65	3-22	172.7
Liberty	26	43	2	60.5	244	1	60	3-11	106.5
<b>Totals</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>66.3</b>	<b>654</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>7-38</b>	<b>132.4</b>

#11 Cade McConnell	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
Nebraska	3	7	1	42.9	20	0	11	0-0	38.3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>42.9</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>38.3</b>

2024 TEAM GAME-BY-GAME

		Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot		
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp	att	int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	off
08/31/2024	at Nebraska	24	56	0	13	16	149	1	38	16-26-2 149 1 38				3	48	0	18	1	29	0	29	205		
09/07/2024	Southern Utah	36	124	1	19	23	299	2	65	23-30-0 299 2 65				1	23	0	23	0	0	0	0	423		
09/14/2024	at Liberty	30	91	0	18	26	244	1	60	26-43-2 244 1 60				3	43	0	16	1	18	0	18	335		
UTEP		90	271	1	19	65	692	4	65	65-99-4 692 4 65				7	114	0	23	2	47	0	29	963		
Opponents		137	670	8	46	51	627	4	59	51-73-0 627 4 59				6	121	0	35	5	32	0	13	1297		

UTEP Averages

Games	Avg/ rush	Avg/ catch	Pass effc	KR avg	PR avg	All purpose avg/game	Total offense avg/game
3	3.0	10.6	129.6	16.3	23.5	374.7	321.0

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks	Fumble		Pass Defense			blkd	PAT attempts			off		
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds	no-yds	ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
08/31/2024	at Nebraska	52	42	94	3.0-8	1-6	1	1-0	0-0	2	2	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	7
09/07/2024	Southern Utah	34	38	72	11.0-28	4-18	1	0-0	0-0	0	4	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	24
09/14/2024	at Liberty	36	38	74	3.0-12	2-10	1	2-0	0-0	0	0	0	1-1	0	0	0	7	10
UTEP		122	118	240	17.0-48	7-34	3	3-0	0-0	2	6	0	5-5	0	0	0	7	41
Opponents		110	84	194	26.0-90	8-42	1	1-0	4-64	9	10	0	10-10	1	0	1	14	95

Date	Opponent	Punting										Field Goals			Kickoffs				
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	
08/31/2024	at Nebraska	6	235	39.2	41	0	0	2	0	1	0-0	0	0	4	181	45.3	1	0	
09/07/2024	Southern Utah	5	181	36.2	45	0	0	1	0	1	1-3	43	0	4	201	50.3	2	1	
09/14/2024	at Liberty	4	170	42.5	54	0	0	2	1	1	1-2	25	0	3	185	61.7	0	0	
UTEP		15	586	39.1	54	0	0	5	1	3	2-5	43	0	11	567	51.5	3	1	
Opponents		12	473	39.4	63	0	1	5	2	3	3-4	38	0	17	1058	62.2	8	1	

# 2024 GAME-BY-GAME COMPARISON

Opponent	Score	First Downs				Rushing Number-Yards	Passing		Total Offense Plays-Yards	Return Yards	Turn- Overs
		Total	Rush	Pass	Pen		Comp-Att.-Int	Yards			
Nebraska	7-40	12 / 30	5 / 11	7 / 14	0 / 5	24-56 / 47-223	16-26-2 / 25-36-0	149 / 284	50-205 / 83-507	77 / 118	2 / 1
Southern Utah	24-27	17 / 21	9 / 14	7 / 6	1 / 1	36-124 / 47-268	23-30-0 / 11-18-0	299 / 115	66-423 / 65-383	23 / 21	0 / 0
Liberty	10-28	18 / 19	8 / 8	9 / 10	1 / 1	30-91 / 43-179	26-43-2 / 15-19-0	244 / 228	73-335 / 62-407	61 / 78	3 / 2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>41-95</b>	<b>47 / 70</b>	<b>22 / 33</b>	<b>23 / 30</b>	<b>2 / 7</b>	<b>90-271 / 137-670</b>	<b>65-99-4 / 51-73-0</b>	<b>692 / 627</b>	<b>189-963 / 210-1297</b>	<b>161 / 217</b>	<b>5 / 3</b>

Opponents	3rd Down Conversion	4th Down Conversion	Time of Possession	TOP Margin	Avg Yds/Rush	Avg Yds/Pass	Avg Yds/Play	Punting Number-Avg	Penalties Number-Yards	Sacks
Nebraska	3-10 / 11-17	0-0 / 0-2	21:28 / 38:32	-17:04	2.3 / 4.7	5.7 / 7.9	4.1 / 6.1	6-39.2 / 2-48.5	9-76.0 / 3-35.0	1 / 2
Southern Utah	5-16 / 8-15	2-2 / 0-0	28:36 / 31:24	-02:48	3.4 / 5.7	10.0 / 6.4	6.4 / 5.9	5-36.2 / 4-33.8	14-122.0 / 9-80.0	4 / 3
Liberty	3-14 / 5-13	1-3 / 0-0	29:14 / 30:46	-01:32	3.0 / 4.2	5.7 / 12.0	4.6 / 6.6	4-42.5 / 6-40.2	2-25.0 / 2-20.0	2 / 3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>11-40 / 24-45</b>	<b>3-5 / 0-2</b>	<b>79:18 / 100:42</b>	<b>-21:24</b>	<b>3.0 / 4.9</b>	<b>7.0 / 8.6</b>	<b>5.1 / 6.2</b>	<b>15-39.1 / 12-39.4</b>	<b>25-223.0 / 14-135.0</b>	<b>7 / 8</b>

Note: Game totals are displayed in the format TEAM/OPPONENT for each category

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## JOSHIAH ALLEN (SPUR)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 8, at UA (9/16/23)  
 Fumbles recovered \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at LA Tech (10/8/22)  
 Pass Breakups \_\_\_\_\_ 2, 2x, last vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Tackles for loss \_\_\_\_\_ 1.0, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Sacks \_\_\_\_\_ 1.0, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

## CHASE BIBLER (DT)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 2x, last vs. Liberty (11/25/23)

## AMIR BOYD-MATTHEWS (CB)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 4, 2x, last at UTSA (11/26/22)  
 Pass Breakups \_\_\_\_\_ 1, vs. UIW (9/2/23)  
 Tackles for loss \_\_\_\_\_ 1.0, at MT (11/18/23)

## JOHN BURRIS III (CB)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 5x, last vs. Liberty (11/25/23)

## KORY CHAPMAN (SPUR)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 13, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Tackles for loss \_\_\_\_\_ 2.5, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Sacks \_\_\_\_\_ 1.0, at LU (9/14/24)

## KYRAN DUHON (LB)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 2, at LU (9/14/24)

## TRAY DUNSON (LB)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 3, at NEB (8/31/24)

## JOSHUA DYE (RB)

Receptions \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 Receiving Yards \_\_\_\_\_ 11, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 Long reception \_\_\_\_\_ 11, at NEB (8/31/24)

## NATE DYMAN (LB)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 9, at LU (9/14/24)  
 Tackles for loss \_\_\_\_\_ 1.5, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Pass Breakups \_\_\_\_\_ 1, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Fumbles recovered \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at LU (9/14/24)

## BUZZ FLABIANO (K)

Points scored \_\_\_\_\_ 13, at SH (10/25/23)  
 Kick PATs \_\_\_\_\_ 4, 4x, last vs. Liberty (11/25/23)  
 Points by kicking \_\_\_\_\_ 13, at SH (10/25/23)  
 Field goals made \_\_\_\_\_ 3, at SH (10/25/23)  
 Field goal attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 4, at FIU (10/11/23)  
 Long field goal \_\_\_\_\_ 43, at SH (10/25/23)

## JAVONI GARDERE (WR)

Points Scored \_\_\_\_\_ 6, at UA (9/16/23)  
 Receptions \_\_\_\_\_ 2, vs. Liberty (11/25/23)  
 Receiving yards \_\_\_\_\_ 25, at UA (9/16/23)  
 Receiving TDs \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at UA (9/16/23)  
 Long reception \_\_\_\_\_ 25, at UA (9/16/23)  
 All-purpose yards \_\_\_\_\_ 25, at UA (9/16/23)

## TREY GOODMAN (WR)

Receptions \_\_\_\_\_ 6, at LU (9/14/24)  
 Receiving Yards \_\_\_\_\_ 54, at LU (9/14/24)  
 Long reception \_\_\_\_\_ 15, at LU (9/14/24)  
 All-purpose yards \_\_\_\_\_ 54, at LU (9/14/24)

## DEVIN GOREE (DE)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 3, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 Sacks \_\_\_\_\_ 0.5, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Tackles for loss \_\_\_\_\_ 0.5, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

## JAIME GUERRERO (S)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 2x, last vs. SUU (9/7/24)

## JAKE HALL (LB)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 2, vs. LA Tech (9/29/23)  
 Tackles for loss \_\_\_\_\_ 0.5, vs. LA Tech (9/29/23)

## CADEN HARRIS (WR)

Kickoff Returns \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 2x, last at MT (11/18/23)  
 Kickoff Yards \_\_\_\_\_ 28, at NU (9/9/23)  
 Long KOR \_\_\_\_\_ 28, at NU (9/9/23)

## DORIAN HOPKINS (LB)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 16, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 Tackles for loss \_\_\_\_\_ 1.0, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 Fumbles Recoverd \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 Fumbles Forced \_\_\_\_\_ 1, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

## LANDON HULLABY (S)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 3, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 Forced Fumbles \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at NEB (8/31/24)

## JAYCE HUNTER (SPUR)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 2, at FIU (10/11/23)

## KEVIN HURLEY (WR)

Points Scored \_\_\_\_\_ 6, 3x, last vs. Liberty (11/25/23)  
 Pass attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 4, at UA (9/16/23)  
 Pass completions \_\_\_\_\_ 3, at UA (9/16/23)  
 Pass yards \_\_\_\_\_ 57, vs. Liberty (11/25/23)  
 Pass TDs \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 2x, last vs. Liberty (11/25/23)  
 Long pass \_\_\_\_\_ 54, vs. Liberty (11/25/23)  
 Rush attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 12, vs. LA Tech (9/29/23)  
 Rush yards \_\_\_\_\_ 41, vs. LA Tech (9/29/23)  
 Rushing TDs \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 3x, last vs. Liberty (11/25/23)  
 Long rush \_\_\_\_\_ 18, vs. LA Tech (9/29/23)  
 Total offense att. \_\_\_\_\_ 5, 2x, last vs. Liberty (11/25/23)  
 Total offense yards \_\_\_\_\_ 58, vs. Liberty (11/25/23)  
 All-purpose yards \_\_\_\_\_ 41, vs. LA Tech (9/29/23)

## JEVON JACKSON (RB)

Points Scored \_\_\_\_\_ 6, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Rush attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 20, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Rushing yards \_\_\_\_\_ 80, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Long rush \_\_\_\_\_ 19, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Receptions \_\_\_\_\_ 4, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Receiving Yards \_\_\_\_\_ 22, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Long reception \_\_\_\_\_ 10, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Receiving TDs \_\_\_\_\_ 1, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Total offense attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 24, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Total offense yards \_\_\_\_\_ 80, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 All-purpose yards \_\_\_\_\_ 102, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

## KD JOHNSON (DT)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 8, vs. Liberty (11/25/23)  
 QB Hurries \_\_\_\_\_ 1, vs. UNLV (9/23/23)  
 Tackles for loss \_\_\_\_\_ 2.0, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Sacks \_\_\_\_\_ 2.0, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

## EZELL JOLLY (RB)

Rush attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 7, at MT (11/18/23)  
 Rushing yards \_\_\_\_\_ 30, at MT (11/18/23)  
 Long rush \_\_\_\_\_ 14, at MT (11/18/23)  
 Receptions \_\_\_\_\_ 4, at MT (11/18/23)  
 Receiving Yards \_\_\_\_\_ 20, at UA (9/16/23)  
 Long reception \_\_\_\_\_ 20, at UA (9/16/23)  
 Total offense attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 7, at MT (11/18/23)  
 Total offense yards \_\_\_\_\_ 30, at MT (11/18/23)  
 All-purpose yards \_\_\_\_\_ 42, at MT (11/18/23)

## JOEY LIGHTFOOT (NT)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at NEB (8/31/24)

## SKYLER LOCKLEAR (QB)

Points Scored \_\_\_\_\_ 12, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Pass attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 29, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 Pass completions \_\_\_\_\_ 22, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 Pass yards \_\_\_\_\_ 295, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 Pass TDs \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 3x, last at LU (9/14/24)  
 Long pass \_\_\_\_\_ 65, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Rush attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 15, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Rush yards \_\_\_\_\_ 47, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Long rush \_\_\_\_\_ 11, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 Rushing TDs \_\_\_\_\_ 1, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Receptions \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 2x, at LU (9/14/24)  
 Receiving Yards \_\_\_\_\_ 4, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Long reception \_\_\_\_\_ 4, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Receiving TDs \_\_\_\_\_ 1, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Total offense att. \_\_\_\_\_ 45, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Total offense yards \_\_\_\_\_ 342, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 All-purpose yards \_\_\_\_\_ 51, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

## JULIAN LOPEZ (TE)

Receptions \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 3x, last vs. WKU (11/4/23)  
 Receiving Yards \_\_\_\_\_ 8, vs. WKU (11/4/23)  
 Long Reception \_\_\_\_\_ 8, vs. WKU (11/4/23)

## CADE MCCONNELL (QB)

Pass attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 41, at MT (11/18/23)  
 Pass completions \_\_\_\_\_ 24, at MT (11/18/23)  
 Pass yards \_\_\_\_\_ 364, at MT (11/18/23)  
 Pass TDs \_\_\_\_\_ 2, 2x, last at MT (11/18/23)  
 Long pass \_\_\_\_\_ 80, 2x, last at MT (11/18/23)  
 Rush attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 6, 2x, last at MT (11/18/23)  
 Rush yards \_\_\_\_\_ 15, at SH (10/25/23)  
 Long rush \_\_\_\_\_ 13, at SH (10/25/23)  
 Total offense att. \_\_\_\_\_ 47, at MT (11/18/23)  
 Total offense yards \_\_\_\_\_ 354, at MT (11/18/23)  
 All-purpose yards \_\_\_\_\_ 13, at SH (10/25/23)

## OSCAR MOORE (S)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 8, at MT (11/18/23)  
 Interceptions \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 2x, last at MT (11/18/23)  
 Tackles for loss \_\_\_\_\_ 0.5, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

## A'TIQ MUHAMMAD (CB)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 2x, last at NU (9/9/23)

## ASHTON NICKELBERRY (WR)

Receptions \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 Receiving Yards \_\_\_\_\_ 3, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 Long reception \_\_\_\_\_ 3, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 All-purpose yards \_\_\_\_\_ 3, at NEB (8/31/24)

## KENNY ODOM (WR)

Points Scored \_\_\_\_\_ 6, at LU (9/14/24)  
 Receptions \_\_\_\_\_ 5, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Receiving Yards \_\_\_\_\_ 97, vs. SUU (9/7/24)  
 Long reception \_\_\_\_\_ 60, at LU (9/14/24)  
 Receiving TDs \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at LU (9/14/24)  
 Kickoff Returns \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 Kickoff Yards \_\_\_\_\_ 18, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 Long KOR \_\_\_\_\_ 18, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 All-purpose yards \_\_\_\_\_ 97, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

## AJ ODUMS (CB)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 7, at NEB (8/31/24)  
 Pass breakups \_\_\_\_\_ 3 vs. NMSU (10/18/23)



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## JALEN RAYAM (LB)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at NEB (8/31/24)

## HUNTER RAPOLLA (LB)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 2x, last vs. SUU (9/7/24)

## LANTZ RUSSELL (S)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 2, at NEB (8/31/24)

Pass Breakups \_\_\_\_\_ 1, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

## LUKE SEIB (WR)

Receptions \_\_\_\_\_ 1, vs. NMSU (10/18/23)

Receiving Yards \_\_\_\_\_ 14, vs. NMSU (10/18/23)

Long Reception \_\_\_\_\_ 14, vs. NMSU (10/18/23)

All-purpose yards \_\_\_\_\_ 14, vs. NMSU (10/18/23)

## JAYLON SHELTON (CB)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 8, at NEB (8/31/24)

## JADEN SMITH (WR)

Receptions \_\_\_\_\_ 7, at LU (9/14/24)

Receiving Yards \_\_\_\_\_ 56, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

Long reception \_\_\_\_\_ 41, at NEB (8/31/24)

Rush attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at NEB (8/31/24)

Rushing yards \_\_\_\_\_ -1, at NEB (8/31/24)

Long rush \_\_\_\_\_ -1, at NEB (8/31/24)

Pass attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 1, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

Pass completions \_\_\_\_\_ 1, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

Pass yards \_\_\_\_\_ 4, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

Pass TDs \_\_\_\_\_ 1, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

Long pass \_\_\_\_\_ 4, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

All-purpose yards \_\_\_\_\_ 56, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

## SHAY SMITH (QB)

Pass attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 2, at NEB (8/31/24)

Pass completions \_\_\_\_\_ 2, at NEB (8/31/24)

Pass yards \_\_\_\_\_ 14, at NEB (8/31/24)

Long pass \_\_\_\_\_ 11, at NEB (8/31/24)

Rush attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 2, at NEB (8/31/24)

Rush yards \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at LU (9/14/24)

Long rush \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at LU (9/14/24)

Total offense att. \_\_\_\_\_ 4, at NEB (8/31/24)

Total offense yards \_\_\_\_\_ 8, at NEB (8/31/24)

All-purpose yards \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at LU (9/14/24)

## XAVIER SMITH (S)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 10, at LU (9/14/24)

Fumbles recovered \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at LU (9/14/24)

## TEVITA TAFUNA (NT)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 5, at JSU (8/26/23)

Tackles for Loss \_\_\_\_\_ 1.0, 2x, last at LU (9/14/24)

Sacks \_\_\_\_\_ 1.0, at LU (9/14/24)

QB Hurries \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at Boise State (9/10/21)

Pass Breakups \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at UNM (9/17/22)

Fumbles recovered \_\_\_\_\_ 1, vs. MT (10/29/22)

Forced fumbles \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at LU (9/14/24)

## EKOW TAYLOR (BANDIT)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 2, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

Tackles for loss \_\_\_\_\_ 0.5, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

Sacks \_\_\_\_\_ 0.5, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

## ANGELO TEJADA (LS)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 2x, last at SH (10/25/23)

## BRYTON THOMPSON (DE)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 4, at LU (9/14/24)

Tackles for loss \_\_\_\_\_ 1.0, 4x, last at UA (9/16/23)

Forced fumbles \_\_\_\_\_ 1, vs. NMSU (9/10/22)

Sacks \_\_\_\_\_ 1.0, 4x, last at UA (9/16/23)

## KAM THOMAS (MB)

Points Scored \_\_\_\_\_ 6, at NEB (8/31/24)

Rush attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 2x, last vs. SUU (9/7/24)

Rushing yards \_\_\_\_\_ 2, at NEB (8/31/24)

Long rush \_\_\_\_\_ 2, at NEB (8/31/24)

Receptions \_\_\_\_\_ 8, at LU (9/14/24)

Receiving Yards \_\_\_\_\_ 99, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

Long reception \_\_\_\_\_ 65, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

Receiving TDs \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at NEB (8/31/24)

Punt Returns \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at NEB (8/31/24)

Punt Return Yards \_\_\_\_\_ 29, at NEB (8/31/24)

Long PR \_\_\_\_\_ 29, at NEB (8/31/24)

Kickoff Returns \_\_\_\_\_ 2, at NEB (8/31/24)

Kickoff Return Yards \_\_\_\_\_ 43, at LU (9/14/24)

Long KOR \_\_\_\_\_ 23, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

Total offense attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 8, at NEB (8/31/24)

Total offense yards \_\_\_\_\_ 2, at NEB (8/31/24)

All-purpose yards \_\_\_\_\_ 132, at NEB (8/31/24)

## SIONE TONGA'UIHA (NT)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 3, 4x, last vs. SUU (9/7/24)

Sacks \_\_\_\_\_ 1.0, at NEB (8/31/24)

Tackles for loss \_\_\_\_\_ 1.0, 2x, last vs. SUU (9/7/24)

QB Hurries \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at NM State (8/28/21)

Pass Breakups \_\_\_\_\_ 1, vs. Liberty (11/25/23)

## LOGOLOGO VA'A (DT)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 4, vs. UNLV (9/23/23)

Tackles for \_\_\_\_\_ .0, 2x, last at NU (9/9/23)

QB Hurries \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at SH (10/25/23)

## MARCUS VINSON (TE)

Receptions \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 2x, last vs. WKU (11/4/23)

Receiving Yards \_\_\_\_\_ 29, vs. WKU (11/4/23)

Long Reception \_\_\_\_\_ 29, vs. WKU (11/4/23)

## QUINZAVIOUS WARREN (NT)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 1, vs. SUU (9/7/24)

## MAURICE WESTMORELAND (BANDIT)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 6, at FIU (10/11/23)

QB Hurries \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 3x, last at FIU (10/11/23)

Tackles for loss \_\_\_\_\_ 3.5, at FIU (10/11/23)

Sacks \_\_\_\_\_ 2.5, at FIU (10/11/23)

Pass breakups \_\_\_\_\_ 2, vs. UNLV (9/23/23)

Forced fumbles \_\_\_\_\_ 1, at SH (10/25/23)

## DILLION WILLIAMS (SPUR)

Tackles \_\_\_\_\_ 2, at NEB (8/31/24)

## COREY WREN (MB)

Rush attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 4, at NEB (8/31/24)

Rushing yards \_\_\_\_\_ 2, at NEB (8/31/24)

Long rush \_\_\_\_\_ 9, at NEB (8/31/24)


Total offense attempts \_\_\_\_\_ 4, at NEB (8/31/24)

Total offense yards \_\_\_\_\_ 2, at NEB (8/31/24)

All-purpose yards \_\_\_\_\_ 2, at NEB (8/31/24)

# UTEP FOOTBALL 2024 RECAPS

## Game #1

	<b>UTEP</b> (0-1, 0-0)	<b>7</b>
	<b>Nebraska</b> (1-0, 0-0)	<b>40</b>

**Lincoln, Neb. • Memorial Stadium (86,072)**  
**Aug. 31, 2024**

UTEP tied the game at seven apiece however Nebraska would go on to score 33 unanswered points to down the Miners 40-7 in Memorial Stadium on Tom Osborne Field on Aug. 31.

The Cornhuskers (1-0) ran up 507 yards on 83 plays, including 223 yards on the ground with three rushing scores. Nebraska added 30 first downs, was only penalized three times (35 yards) and finished 11-of-17 on third-down conversions. The Miners (0-1) tallied 205 yards while being penalized nine times (76 yards).

Nebraska struck first with a 72-yard touchdown drive on 12 plays, resulting in a Dante Dowdell five-yard touchdown run.

Following UTEP's first possession where it was forced to punt, the Miners' defense settled in and stopped the Cornhuskers on a fourth-and-5 to get the ball back at their own 37.

UTEP took advantage and went 63 yards on only three plays to score its first touchdown in the Walden era. Skyler Locklear, in his first career collegiate start, found Kam Thomas for a 38-yard touchdown strike to tie the game 7-7 with 2:24 left in the first quarter.

Locklear started the game 5-for-5 with 59 yards and a TD. He finished 11-of-17 with 115 yards a touchdown and an interception. Thomas opened his UTEP debut with 71 yards on seven receptions and a score.

On Nebraska's fourth drive, the Cornhuskers drove the ball down inside the 20 but Dowdell fumbled the ball following a 12-yard rush. Landon Hullaby was credited with a forced fumble while Dorian Hopkins recovered the ball at the UTEP 3 at the 10:48 mark of the second quarter.

### SCORE BY QUARTERS

TEAM	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	TOTAL
UTEP	7	0	0	0	7
NEBRASKA	7	23	7	3	40

### QTR TIME SCORING PLAY

1st	09:00	NEB - Dowdell 5-yard rush (Alvano kick), 12-72, 05:54
	02:24	UTEP - Thomas 38-yard pass from Locklear (Flabiano kick), 3-63, 00:42
2nd	10:29	NEB - Robinson safety, 00:19
	10:04	NEB - Neyor 59-yard pass from Raiola (Alvano kick), 2-59, 00:18
	05:34	NEB - Ervin Jr. 3-yard rush (Alvano kick), 8-63, 03:45
	00:02	NEB - Banks 21-yard pass from Raiola (Alvano kick), 9-59, 02:03
3rd	05:34	NEB - Ervin Jr. 1-yard rush (Alvano kick), 11-73, 05:04
4th	09:22	NEB - Alvano 20-yard FG, 17-87, 09:26

### TEAM STATISTICS

	UTEP	NEB
First Downs	12	30
Rushing Attempts-Yards	24-56	47-223
Passing Yards	149	284
Passes	16-26-2	25-36-0
Total Offense	205	507
Punt Returns-Yards	1-29	3-25
Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-48	3-75
Punts-Average	6-39.2	2-48.5
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	9-76	3-35
Time of Possession	21:28	38:32

### UTEP Leaders

Passing	C-A-I	YDS	TD	LG
Locklear	11-17-1	115	1	38

Rushing	ATT.	YDS	TD	LG
Jackson	10	32	0	13
Locklear	4	15	0	11

Receiving	Rec.	YDS	TD	LG
Thomas	7	71	1	38
Smith	4	33	0	21

Tackles	U-A-T	Sack-YD	TFL-YD	FR
Hopkins	6-10-16	0.0-0	1.0-1	1
Chapman	4-6-10	0.0-0	0.0-0	0

### Nebraska Leaders

Passing	C-A-I	YDS	TD	LG
Raiola	19-27-0	238	2	59

Rushing	ATT.	YDS	TD	LG
Johnson	8	71	0	42
Dowdell	8	55	1	12

Receiving	Rec.	YDS	TD	LG
Neyor	6	121	1	59
Banks	4	61	1	17

Tackles	U-A-T	Sack-YD	TFL-YD	INT
Hartzog Jr.	5-0-5	0.0-0	0.0-0	1
Gbayor	2-3-5	0.0-0	1.5-2	0

## Game #2

	<b>Southern Utah</b> (1-1, 0-0)	<b>27</b> [ot]
	<b>UTEP</b> (0-2, 0-0)	<b>24</b>

**El Paso, Texas • Sun Bowl Stadium (41,609)**  
**Sept. 7, 2024**

The UTEP football team came up short in Scotty Walden's home debut as Southern Utah used a strong second half to down the Miners 27-24 in overtime in front of 41,607 rowdy fans at Sun Bowl Stadium on Sept. 7.

The Miners (0-2) tallied 423 yards of total offense, including 299 in the air. However, 14 penalties for 122 yards and the Thunderbirds' (1-1) rushing attack (268 yards) were too much for UTEP to overcome.

SUU's Targhee Lambson ran downhill, picking up 183 yards on 20 carries (9.2 avg.) and two touchdowns. Lambson's first TD got the T-Birds within three points (17-14) while his second score put his squad up 21-17 at the 13:15 mark of the fourth quarter.

UTEP starting quarterback Skyler Locklear did a little of everything in his Sun Bowl debut. The redshirt sophomore threw for 295 yards on 22-of-29 passing and a touchdown. Not only did he toss one, but he also rushed for a score and caught another. Locklear added 47 yards on the ground.

Locklear's touchdown reception was off a four-yard pass from Jaden Smith with no time left on the clock. The Miners tied the game at 24 apiece following Buzz Flabiano's PAT to take the contest into overtime.

SUU got the ball first and Danny King converted a 33-yard field goal to take a three-point advantage. The Miners came up short on their possession in the extra period. Flabiano attempted to tie the game with a 38-yard attempt that was missed. The Miners were fortunate as an offsides penalty was called that extended the game. UTEP, behind a loud fan base urging their Miners, came up short again as Flabiano missed a 32-yard attempt that ended the contest.

### SCORE BY QUARTERS

TEAM	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	OT1	TOTAL
SUU	6	0	8	10	3	27
UTEP	14	3	0	7	0	24

### QTR TIME SCORING PLAY

1st	10:33	UTEP - Jackson 5-yard pass from Locklear (Flabiano kick), 9-75, 04:27
	06:09	SUU - Mitchell 40-yard pass from Barron (Lambson rush failed), 8-75, 04:24
	01:35	UTEP - Locklear 4-yard rush (Flabiano kick), 11-75, 04:34
2nd	02:57	UTEP - Flabiano 43-yard FG, 7-50, 02:59
3rd	06:31	SUU - Lambson 20-yard rush (Bails rush), 6-50, 02:53
4th	13:15	SUU - Lambson 46-yard rush (King kick), 4-60, 01:37
	02:39	SUU - King 38-yard FG, 11-59, 05:37
	00:00	UTEP - Locklear 4-yard pass from Smith (Flabiano kick), 9-77, 02:34
OT1	00:00	SUU - King 33-yd FG, 7-9

### TEAM STATISTICS

	SUU	UTEP
First Downs	21	7
Rushing Attempts-Yards	47-268	36-124
Passing Yards	115	299
Passes	11-18-0	23-30-0
Total Offense	383	423
Punt Returns-Yards	1-0	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	1-21	1-23
Punts-Average	4-33.8	5-36.2
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	2-0
Penalties-Yards	9-80	14-122
Time of Possession	31:24	28:36

### UTEP Leaders

Passing	C-A-I	YDS	TD	LG
Locklear	22-29-0	295	1	65

Rushing	ATT.	YDS	TD	LG
Jackson	20	80	0	19
Locklear	15	47	0	15

Receiving	Rec.	YDS	TD	LG
Thomas	5	99	0	65
Odum	5	97	0	44

Tackles	U-A-T	Sack-YD	TFL-YD	FF
Chapman	7-6-13	0.0-0	2.5-0	0
Hopkins	2-7-9	0.0-0	0.0-0	1

### SUU Leaders

Passing	C-A-I	YDS	TD	LG
Berry	10-17-0	75	0	27

Rushing	ATT.	YDS	TD	LG
Lambson	20	183	2	46
Berry	13	53	0	21

Receiving	Rec.	YDS	TD	LG
Mitchell	3	62	1	40
Carr	2	32	0	27

Tackles	U-A-T	Sack-YD	TFL-YD	INT
Rocha	7-2-9	0.0-0	1.0-4	0
Cullimore	5-3-8	0.5-1	1.5-2	0

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## Game #3

	<b>UTEP</b> (0-3, 0-1)	<b>10</b>
	<b>[RV] Liberty</b> (3-0, 2-0)	<b>28</b>

**Lynchburg, Va. • Williams Stadium (21,805)**  
**Sept. 14, 2024**

UTEP cleaned up the penalties and scored on a long pass play to get within four points while the Miners' defense stepped up and made plays, however, Liberty scored two touchdowns late in the contest to pull away 28-10 in Williams Stadium on Sept. 14.

The Miners (0-3, 0-1 Conference USA) held the Flames (3-0, 2-0 CUSA) to only 187 rushing yards as LU came into the ball game averaging 248.0 per game. The UTEP defense also held Liberty under 100 yards of its season average (503.0 ypg).

After last week's 14 penalties, UTEP only committed two all game for a total of 25 yards. Liberty started the game 2-for-3 on third downs, but the Miners' D stopped the Flames on the next six third-down plays. Liberty finished the game 5-of-13.

Skyler Locklear finished with 244 yards on career bests of attempts (43) and completions (26). He also found Kenny Odom on a 60-yard touchdown pass in the third quarter to make the score 14-10 early in the third quarter. For Odom, it was a career-long reception and his first score in a UTEP uniform.

Kam Thomas finished with 129 all-purpose yards, his third consecutive triple-digit game. Thomas added 68 yards on eight receptions, while Jaden Smith tallied 42 yards on seven catches and Trey Goodman recorded 54 yards on six grabs.

Defensively, Kory Chapman registered his third consecutive double-digit tackle effort (11) to lead the Miners and posted his first full sack in two seasons. Xavier Smith tallied 10 tackles, his most in a UTEP uniform, and his fourth collegiate career double-digit tackle performance. Smith added his first collegiate fumble recovery. Nate Dyman added a career-high nine stops, a TFL and recovered his first career fumble. Tevita Tafuna recorded his first career sack and forced fumble.

### SCORE BY QUARTERS

TEAM	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	TOTAL
UTEP	3	0	7	0	10
LIBERTY	7	7	7	7	28

### QTR TIME SCORING PLAY

1st	09:40	UTEP - Flabiano 25-yard FG, 8-37, 03:26
	04:34	LU - Lucas 12-yard rush (Karhu kick), 10-84, 05:00
2nd	14:35	LU - Lucas 1-yard rush (Karhu kick), 2-24, 00:13
3rd	12:26	UTEP - Odom 60-yard pass from Locklear (Flabiano kick), 4-71, 01:11
4th	02:07	LU - Lucas 2-yard rush (Karhu kick), 7-81, 03:11
	06:51	LU - Mobley 13-yard pass from Salter (Karhu kick), 7-87, 03:47

### TEAM STATISTICS

	UTEP	LU
First Downs	18	19
Rushing Attempts-Yards	30-91	43-187
Passing Yards	244	228
Passes	26-43-2	15-19-0
Total Offense	335	415
Punt Returns-Yards	1-18	1-7
Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-43	2-25
Punts-Average	4-42.5	6-40.2
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-2
Penalties-Yards	2-25	2-20
Time of Possession	29:14	30:46

### UTEP Leaders

Passing	C-A-I	YDS	TD	LG
Locklear	23-43-2	244	1	60

Rushing	ATT.	YDS	TD	LG
Jackson	15	67	0	18
Locklear	13	20	0	11

Receiving	Rec.	YDS	TD	LG
Thomas	8	68	0	21
Smith	7	42	0	17

Tackles	U-A-T	Sack-YD	TFL-YD	FR
Chapman	5-6-11	1.0-6	1.0-6	0
Smith	4-6-10	0.0-0	0.0-0	1

### Liberty Leaders

Passing	C-A-I	YDS	TD	LG
Salter	15-19-0	228	1	33

Rushing	ATT.	YDS	TD	LG
Lucas	21	104	3	19
Cooley	6	45	0	28

Receiving	Rec.	YDS	TD	LG
Sibley	4	77	0	30
Mobley	4	36	1	15

Tackles	U-A-T	Sack-YD	TFL-YD	INT
Carter	9-4-13	0.5-2	0.5-2	0
Bazile Jr.	2-6-8	0.0-0	0.5-2	0