



NORTH DAKOTA STATE

BISON FOOTBALL

38 Conference Championships | 18 National Championships
FCS National Champions 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2024



2025 Schedule (1-0 overall, 0-0 MVFC)

| Date | Opponent | Result |
|-------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| 8/30 | at The Citadel | W, 38-0 |
| 9/6 | at Tennessee State | 1:30 p.m. |
| 9/13 | SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE | 2:30 p.m. |
| 9/27 | *SOUTH DAKOTA (Homecoming) | 1 p.m. |
| 10/4 | *at Illinois State | 6 p.m. |
| 10/11 | *SOUTHERN ILLINOIS | 2:30 p.m. |
| 10/18 | *at Indiana State | 1 p.m. ET |
| 10/25 | *at South Dakota State | TBD |
| 11/1 | *YOUNGSTOWN STATE | 2:30 p.m. |
| 11/8 | *at North Dakota | 1 p.m. |
| 11/15 | *NORTHERN IOWA (Harvest Bowl) | 2:30 p.m. |
| 11/22 | ST. THOMAS | 2:30 p.m. |

#Stats/AFCA rankings *MVFC games

Quick Facts

Location: Fargo, ND 58102 (pop. 125,990)
Founded: 1890
Enrollment: 11,952 (fall 2024)
Nickname: Bison
Colors: Yellow and Green (PMS 123, 343)
Stadium: Gate City Bank Field at the Fargodome (18,700)
Surface: AstroTurf GameDay Grass (2022)
Affiliation: NCAA Division I FCS
Conference: Missouri Valley Football (MVFC)
Last Year's Record: 14-2, 7-1 MVFC (T1st)
Starters Returning/Lost: 11/11
Offense: 5/6 **Defense:** 6/5
Basic Offense: Pro Style **Basic Defense:** 4-3
President: Dr. David Cook (Iowa State, 1992)
Director of Athletics: Matt Larsen (Stony Brook, 1996)
Athletic Department Phone: (701) 231-8981
Ticket Office Phone: (888) 231-6378

Football Staff

Head Coach: Tim Polasek (Concordia Univ. Wis., 2002)
Record at NDSU: 15-2 (2nd season)
Career Record: same
Assistant Coaches/Staff:
Dan Larson (UW-Eau Claire, 2003)Off. Coordinator/TE/FB
Grant Olson (NDSU, 2014)Def. Coordinator/LB
Joe Beschoner (Simpson, 2000)Quarterbacks
Dylan Chmura (Michigan State, 2017)Offensive Line
Steve Crutchley (UW-Eau Claire, 1999)Wide Receivers
Will Johnson (Oklahoma, 2017)Cornerbacks
Devin Klieman (Kansas State, 2020)Safeties
Carlton Littlejohn (NDSU, 2017)Defensive Ends
Kody Morgan (UW-Stevens Point, 2012)Defensive Tackles
Sam Ojuri (NDSU, 2014)Running Backs
KeyShawn CarpenterOffensive Quality Control
Tony MoonenDefensive Quality Control
Brett BostadOffensive Analyst
David WienkeDefensive Analyst
Marcus WilliamsDefensive Analyst
Jim Kramer (UW-La Crosse, 1989) ..Dir. of Athletic Performance
Ryan Napoli (NDSU, 2016)Dir. of Athletic Performance

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North Dakota State Heads to Music City to Face Tennessee State at Nissan Stadium

THIS WEEK: North Dakota State (1-0) travels to Music City this week to face Ohio Valley Conference opponent Tennessee State (1-0) on Saturday, Sept. 6. Game time is 1:30 p.m. at Nissan Stadium in Nashville, Tenn.

TELEVISION: Tennessee State and the Ohio Valley Conference will have exclusive television coverage on ESPN+ available to subscribers on ESPN.com and in the ESPN app.

RADIO: Statewide network coverage on all 25 stations across the Pioneer Seeds Bison Sports Network begins at 12:30 p.m. including Bison 1660 and 107.9 The Fox in Fargo with **Sam Neidermann** (play-by-play) and **Phil Hansen** (analyst) describing the action. Streaming is available on GoBison.com/allaccess and the NDSU Athletics mobile app.

TICKETS & PARKING: Tickets start at \$40 in advance and \$50 on game day and are available on Ticketmaster. Seats are available behind the NDSU bench on the east sideline in Sections 111-121. Game day parking is available in Lot E (north end) and Lot N (south end) and payment is by credit card only at both lots. Tailgating is in Lot R (south end) and additional RV/bus parking is in Lot P (south end). For more information, visit TSUTigers.com/tickets.

CLEAR BAG POLICY: Nissan Stadium follows the NFL Clear Bag Policy. Fans carrying personal items must use a clear bag 12" x 12" x 6" or smaller. Non-transparent bags must be no larger than 4.5" x 6.5" even if you are placing it inside your larger clear bag. For more details and stadium policies, visit NissanStadium.com.

THE SERIES: This is the second meeting between North Dakota State and Tennessee State. NDSU won 52-3 in last year's Trees Bowl game in Week 2 at the Fargodome. The Bison are 3-0 against Ohio Valley Conference teams with wins over Austin Peay (41-6 in the 2008 season opener) and Jacksonville State (37-10 in the 2015 national championship). Tennessee State has not faced any other Missouri Valley Football Conference teams.

ON THE ROAD, AGAIN: This is the fourth time as a Division I program North Dakota State is opening a season with back-to-back road games. The last time was 2014 when the Bison beat Iowa State 34-14 and Weber State 24-7. Others were in 2009 (losing 34-17 to Iowa State and 48-45 to Sam Houston State) and in 2010 (beating Kansas 6-3 and losing to Northern Iowa 16-9).

NEW PLACES: This is NDSU's second trip to the state of Tennessee, where the Bison played for the first time last year beating East Tennessee State 38-35 in Johnson City. Last week, the Bison checked off their 33rd state playing their first game in the state of South Carolina at The Citadel.

LAST WEEK: Senior quarterback **Cole Payton** accounted for 293 yards of total offense in his first start to lead North Dakota State to a 38-0 win at The Citadel. Payton went 10 of 16 passing for 192 yards and rushed 11 times for 101 yards. It was the fourth 100-yard rushing game of his career. The Bison averaged 5.4 yards per carry and rushed for 256 yards with **Barika Kpeenu** rushing 12 times for 79 yards and two touchdowns and **DJ Scott** picking up 43 yards on 10 totes with one TD. **Bryce Lance** made four catches for 34 yards and **RaJa Nelson** had 60 yards on two receptions including a diving 34-yard TD in the corner of the end zone to help build a 17-0 halftime lead.

ROAD SHUTOUT: Last week's 38-0 win at The Citadel was NDSU's first shutout since a 20-0 road win at Illinois State in October 2021. NDSU held The Citadel to 2 of 12 on third down and just 104 yards rushing and 2.5 yards per carry. Linebacker **Logan Kopp** made a team-high nine tackles with a career-high 2.5 tackles for loss including one of NDSU's five sacks. Kopp had a TFL on a fourth-down stop at the NDSU 3 to help preserve the shutout, and also had a fumble recovery and a pass breakup. **Nathaniel Staehling** made a career-high six tackles in his first start at middle linebacker and **Jaxon Duttenhefer** tied a career high with five tackles.



NORTH DAKOTA STATE BISON (1-0, 0-0 MVFC)

Rank: 1/1 (Stats/AFCA)
Last Game: Aug. 30 def.
The Citadel 38-0
Streak: Won 5
On Road: 1-0 (Won 1)
Coach: Tim Polasek
Record: 15-2 (2nd)



TENNESSEE STATE TIGERS (1-0, 0-0 OVC)

Rank: NR/NR (Stats/AFCA)
Last Game: Aug. 30 def.
North Carolina A&T 24-21
Streak: Won 1
At Home: 1-0 (Won 2)
Coach: Reggie Barlow
Record: 1-0 (1st)



2025 Standings

| | VALLEY | | OVERALL | |
|--------------------|--------|------|---------|-------|
| | W-L | Pct. | W-L | Pct. |
| Indiana State | 0-0 | .000 | 1-0 | 1.000 |
| North Dakota State | 0-0 | .000 | 1-0 | 1.000 |
| Northern Iowa | 0-0 | .000 | 1-0 | 1.000 |
| South Dakota State | 0-0 | .000 | 1-0 | 1.000 |
| Southern Illinois | 0-0 | .000 | 1-0 | 1.000 |
| Youngstown State | 0-0 | .000 | 1-0 | 1.000 |
| Illinois State | 0-0 | .000 | 0-1 | .000 |
| Murray State | 0-0 | .000 | 0-1 | .000 |
| North Dakota | 0-0 | .000 | 0-1 | .000 |
| South Dakota | 0-0 | .000 | 0-1 | .000 |

Schedule and Results

All Times Central

Thursday, Aug. 28

at Indiana State 41, McKendree 24
at Youngstown State 24, Mercyhurst 15

Saturday, Aug. 30

North Dakota State 38, at The Citadel 0
at Northern Iowa 38, Butler 14
at Iowa State 55, South Dakota 7
at East Tennessee State 45, Murray State 17
at Oklahoma 35, Illinois State 3
at South Dakota State 20, Sacramento State 3
at Southern Illinois 49, Thomas More 3
at Kansas State 38, North Dakota 35

Saturday, Sept. 6

Eastern Illinois at Indiana State, 12 p.m.
Robert Morris at Youngstown State, 1 p.m.
North Dakota St. at Tennessee St., 1:30 p.m.
Northern Iowa at Wyoming, 3 p.m.
South Dakota at Lamar, 6 p.m.
Portland State at North Dakota, 6 p.m.
Southeastern Louisiana at Murray State, 6 p.m.
Morehead State at Illinois State, 6 p.m.
Southern Illinois at Purdue, 6:30 p.m.
South Dakota State at Montana State, 7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 12

Indiana State at Indiana, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 13

Northern Colorado at South Dakota, 1 p.m.
North Dakota at Montana, 2 p.m.
Illinois State at Eastern Illinois, 2 p.m.
SE Missouri St. at North Dakota St., 2:30 p.m.
Youngstown State at Michigan State, 2:30 p.m.
Eastern Washington at Northern Iowa, 4 p.m.
Southern Illinois at Tennessee-Martin, 6 p.m.
Drake at South Dakota State, 6 p.m.
Murray State at Georgia State, 6 p.m.

TEAM COMPARISONS

NORTH DAKOTA ST. (1-0, 0-0 MVFC)

| TEAM STATS | BISON | OPP |
|----------------------|--------|-------|
| Points/Game | 38.0 | 0.0 |
| First Downs | 25 | 8 |
| Rushing/Game | 256.0 | 104.0 |
| Passing/Game | 263.0 | 22.0 |
| Total Offense/Game | 519.0 | 126.0 |
| Had Intercepted | 0 | 0 |
| Fumbles-Lost | 2-0 | 2-1 |
| Penalties-Avg. Yards | 6-35.0 | 0-0.0 |
| Net Punt Avg. | 27.0 | 44.7 |
| Time of Poss./Game | 36:03 | 23:57 |
| 3rd Down Conversions | 55% | 17% |
| 4th Down Conversions | 1/1 | 1/2 |

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

| RUSHING | Att | Net | Avg | TD | YPG |
|----------------|---------|------|------|-------|-------|
| Cole Payton | 11 | 101 | 9.2 | 0 | 101.0 |
| Barika Kpeenu | 12 | 79 | 6.6 | 2 | 79.0 |
| DJ Scott | 10 | 43 | 4.3 | 1 | 43.0 |
| PASSING | C-A-I | Pct. | TD | YPG | |
| Cole Payton | 10-16-0 | 62.5 | 1 | 192.0 | |
| RECEIVING | Rec | Yds | Avg | TD | YPG |
| Bryce Lance | 4 | 34 | 8.5 | 0 | 34.0 |
| RaJa Nelson | 2 | 60 | 30.0 | 1 | 60.0 |
| DEFENSE | U-A-TT | TFL | Int. | FF-FR | |
| Logan Kopp | 6-3-9 | 2.5 | 0 | 0-1 | |
| N. Staehling | 3-3-6 | 0.5 | 0 | 0-0 | |
| J. Duttonhefer | 3-2-5 | 1.0 | 0 | 0-0 | |

TENNESSEE ST. (1-0, 0-0 OVC)

| TEAM STATS | TIGERS | OPP |
|----------------------|--------|--------|
| Points/Game | 24.0 | 21.0 |
| First Downs | 11 | 15 |
| Rushing/Game | 129.0 | 125.0 |
| Passing/Game | 123.0 | 210.0 |
| Total Offense/Game | 252.0 | 335.0 |
| Had Intercepted | 1 | 0 |
| Fumbles-Lost | 2-0 | 4-3 |
| Penalties-Avg. Yards | 8-68.0 | 8-55.0 |
| Net Punt Avg. | 39.0 | 36.7 |
| Time of Poss./Game | 27:05 | 32:55 |
| 3rd Down Conversions | 18% | 36% |
| 4th Down Conversions | 0/0 | 0/0 |

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

| RUSHING | Att | Net | Avg | TD | YPG |
|-----------------|---------|------|------|-------|-------|
| Kendric Rhymes | 21 | 174 | 8.3 | 2 | 174.0 |
| D. Slaughter | 4 | -8 | -2.0 | 0 | -8.0 |
| PASSING | C-A-I | Pct. | TD | YPG | |
| Jonathan Palmer | 11-21-1 | 52.4 | 1 | 123.0 | |
| RECEIVING | Rec | Yds | Avg | TD | YPG |
| D. Slaughter | 4 | 102 | 25.5 | 1 | 102.0 |
| Kendric Rhymes | 3 | 3 | 1.0 | 0 | 3.0 |
| B. Montgomery | 2 | 11 | 5.5 | 0 | 11.0 |
| DEFENSE | U-A-TT | TFL | Int. | FF-FR | |
| Kaiki Baker | 8-1-9 | 1.5 | 0 | 0-0 | |
| James Stewart | 5-1-6 | 2.5 | 0 | 1-0 | |
| Micah Gay | 4-1-5 | 1.5 | 0 | 0-0 | |

FCS RANKINGS

| | NDSU | TSU |
|----------------|-------|------|
| Scoring Off. | 19th | 34th |
| Rushing Off. | 12th | 54th |
| Passing Off. | 18th | 86th |
| Total Offense | 11th | 82nd |
| Passing Eff. | 5th | 71st |
| Scoring Def. | 1st | 44th |
| Rushing Def. | 33rd | 41st |
| Passing Def. | 1st | 60th |
| Total Defense | 5th | 44th |
| Pass Eff. Def. | 5th | 88th |
| Net Punting | 106th | 46th |
| Punt Returns | 52nd | 19th |
| Kick Returns | 11th | 81st |
| Turnover Mar. | 22nd | 9th |
| Few Pen YPG | 23rd | 87th |
| Time of Poss. | 9th | 85th |
| 3rd Dn Conv. | 11th | 99th |
| 3rd Dn Def. | 5th | 42nd |
| 4th Dn Conv. | 1st | 70th |
| 4th Dn Def. | 49th | 1st |



CAPTAINS NAMED: North Dakota State's six captains for the 2025 football season are quarterback **Cole Payton**, wide receivers **Bryce Lance** and **Chris Harris**, defensive tackle **Jaxon Duttonhefer**, and linebackers **Logan Kopp** and **Nathaniel Staehling**.

BISON PICKED FIRST: Reigning national champion North Dakota State was picked first in a preseason poll of Missouri Valley Football Conference media, coaches and communications directors. NDSU finished 14-2 last season and tied for first in the league with a 7-1 record. The Bison won their 11th conference title and 10th NCAA FCS national title. NDSU received 39 of 42 first-place votes. South Dakota State was picked second and South Dakota was third.

ACADEMIC AWARD: North Dakota State earned the Missouri Valley Football Conference All-Academic Award for the fourth time in school history. NDSU's 3.398 average team GPA during the 2024-25 school year was the second highest in MVFC history. The Bison have posted 3.0 or better team GPAs in 13 straight semesters and are coming off their two highest semester GPAs since beginning Division I competition in 2004.

WATCH LISTS: North Dakota State has three players under consideration for national player of the year awards. Wide receiver **Bryce Lance** is on the preseason watch list for the Walter Payton Award, presented annually to the FCS offensive player of the year. Defensive end **Toby Anene** and linebacker **Logan Kopp** are on the watch list for the Buck Buchanan Award, presented to the FCS defensive player of the year.

PRESEASON ALL-AMERICANS: North Dakota State had five players named to the Stats Perform FCS Preseason All-America Team. Center **Trent Fraley** and wide receiver **Bryce Lance** were named to the first team. Defensive end **Toby Anene**, linebacker **Logan Kopp** and kick returner **Jackson Williams** were second team.

HALL OF FAME: Two former NDSU football standouts will be inducted into the Bison Athletic Hall of Fame on Friday, Sept. 26. Tickets to attend the luncheon and induction ceremony are on sale at GoBison.com/tickets. Among the eight inductees are wide receiver/return specialist **Allen Burrell** (2002-2005) and safety **Craig Dahl** (2003-2006). Burrell, an honorable mention All-North Central Conference receiver in 2003, also starred in track and field as an eight-time conference champion and four-time All-America sprinter. Dahl was a three-time all-conference safety and went on to a nine-year NFL career with the Giants, Rams and 49ers, winning a Super Bowl with the Giants his rookie year.

NDSU In The Polls

■ NDSU is in the Stats Perform FCS Top 25 for a record 204th consecutive week dating back to Nov. 1, 2010, when the Bison moved back into the poll at No. 23 after a bye week. NDSU had been unranked for two weeks following a 34-24 loss at Illinois State.

■ NDSU is ranked in the FCS Coaches Poll for the 208th consecutive week dating back to Sept. 6, 2010, following NDSU's 6-3 win at Kansas.

■ The Bison went wire-to-wire in the No. 1 spot in 2013, 2018 and 2019.

■ NDSU was ranked No. 1 in one or both polls for 31 straight weeks during its FCS-record 33-game winning streak from November 2012 through November 2014.

■ NDSU was ranked No. 1 for 32 straight weeks during its FCS-record 39-game winning streak from the final 2017 poll through the spring 2021 loss at Southern Illinois.

■ NDSU garnered votes in the AP Top 25 eight straight weeks after its 2019 ESPN College GameDay win at South Dakota State. NDSU has received votes 25 weeks in the AP Top 25 — after each of NDSU's first three FCS national championships, 10 straight weeks after beating Iowa State in the 2014 opener, and four weeks in 2016 after beating 11th-ranked Iowa.

■ NDSU's 74 poll points (27th overall) after the Iowa win were the most for an FCS team in the AP Top 25.

■ NDSU made its debut in the FCS national rankings in its first year as a Division I program Nov. 16, 2004, when the Bison were 21st in the USA Today/ESPN Top 25 and 24th in the Sports Network/CSTV Top 25 following a 25-7 road win over No. 20/21 UC Davis.

| 2025 RANKINGS | Stats | AFCA |
|--------------------------------------|-------|------|
| Preseason | 1 | 1 |
| 9/1 | 1 | 1 |
| 9/8 | | |
| 9/15 | | |
| 9/22 | | |
| 9/29 | | |
| 10/6 | | |
| 10/13 | | |
| 10/20 | | |
| 10/27 | | |
| 11/3 | | |
| 11/10 | | |
| 11/17 | | |
| 11/24 | | |
| Postseason | | |
| Stats—Stats Perform FCS media top 25 | | |
| AFCA—FCS coaches top 25 | | |

Bison in Overtime

| Date | Opponent | OTs | Result |
|------------|---------------------|-----|----------|
| 11/28/1992 | at Pittsburg State* | 1 | L, 37-38 |
| 11/19/1994 | at Pittsburg State* | 3 | W, 18-12 |
| 11/15/1997 | at South Dakota | 1 | W, 24-21 |
| 10/5/2002 | at South Dakota | 4 | L, 37-40 |
| 10/18/2003 | at North Dakota | 1 | L, 21-28 |
| 11/8/2003 | at St. Cloud State | 1 | L, 30-33 |
| 12/11/2010 | at E. Washington* | 1 | L, 31-38 |
| 8/27/2016 | Charleston Southern | 1 | W, 24-17 |
| 9/10/2016 | Eastern Washington | 1 | W, 50-44 |
| 10/14/2017 | at Youngstown State | 1 | W, 27-24 |
| 12/2/2023 | at Montana State* | 1 | W, 35-34 |
| 12/16/2023 | at Montana* | 2 | L, 29-31 |

*NCAA playoff games

Stats Perform FCS Top 25

| September 1, 2025 | | | | |
|--|-----|------|-----|--|
| Team (First Place) | W-L | Pts. | Prv | |
| 1. North Dakota St. (53) | 1-0 | 1397 | 1 | |
| 2. South Dakota St. (2) | 1-0 | 1333 | 3 | |
| 3. Montana St. (1) | 0-1 | 1274 | 2 | |
| 4. South Dakota | 0-1 | 1171 | 4 | |
| 5. Tarleton St. | 2-0 | 1164 | 10 | |
| 6. Montana | 0-0 | 1027 | 7 | |
| 7. Illinois St. | 0-1 | 961 | 6 | |
| 8. UC Davis | 1-0 | 958 | 8 | |
| 9. Rhode Island | 1-0 | 953 | 9 | |
| 10. Idaho | 0-1 | 879 | 12 | |
| 11. Lehigh | 1-0 | 745 | 14 | |
| 12. Incarnate Word | 1-1 | 730 | 5 | |
| 13. Villanova | 0-0 | 718 | 13 | |
| 14. Southern Illinois | 1-0 | 423 | 20 | |
| 15. Jackson St. | 1-0 | 422 | 17 | |
| 16. Abilene Christian | 0-1 | 396 | 16 | |
| 17. Tennessee Tech | 1-0 | 371 | 21 | |
| 18. Sacramento St. | 0-1 | 351 | 15 | |
| 19. Northern Arizona | 0-1 | 349 | 19 | |
| 20. North Dakota | 0-1 | 325 | NR | |
| 21. Monmouth | 1-0 | 323 | 22 | |
| 22. Nicholls St. | 1-1 | 265 | NR | |
| 23. Mercer | 0-1 | 229 | 11 | |
| 24. Southern Utah | 1-0 | 226 | NR | |
| 25. Stephen F. Austin | 0-1 | 146 | 23 | |
| Dropped out: Western Carolina (18), Stony Brook (24), Richmond (25) | | | | |
| Others receiving votes: Austin Peay 146, East Tennessee State 116, Harvard 105, New Hampshire 100, Tennessee-Martin 93, Southeast Missouri State 71, Gardner-Webb 54, Stony Brook 54, Richmond 53, Western Carolina 45, Eastern Kentucky 37, Chattanooga 35, Tennessee State 31, South Carolina State 30, Presbyterian 24, Youngstown State 20, North Carolina Central 11. | | | | |

AFCA FCS Coaches Poll

| September 2, 2025 | | | | |
|--|-----|------|-----|--|
| Team (First Place) | W-L | Pts. | Prv | |
| 1. North Dakota St. (25) | 1-0 | 649 | 1 | |
| 2. South Dakota St. | 1-0 | 586 | 3 | |
| 3. Montana St. | 0-1 | 567 | 2 | |
| Tarleton St. (1) | 2-0 | 567 | 8 | |
| 5. UC Davis | 1-0 | 469 | 7 | |
| 6. South Dakota | 0-1 | 465 | 5 | |
| 7. Illinois St. | 0-1 | 446 | 6 | |
| 8. Rhode Island | 1-0 | 440 | 10 | |
| 9. Incarnate Word | 1-1 | 412 | 4 | |
| 10. Montana | 0-0 | 402 | 9 | |
| 11. Idaho | 0-1 | 384 | 12 | |
| 12. Villanova | 0-0 | 338 | 13 | |
| 13. Lehigh | 1-0 | 291 | 15 | |
| 14. Jackson St. | 1-0 | 268 | 17 | |
| 15. Southern Illinois | 1-0 | 239 | 20 | |
| 16. Sacramento St. | 0-1 | 213 | 14 | |
| 17. Abilene Christian | 0-1 | 211 | 16 | |
| 18. Monmouth | 1-0 | 184 | 21 | |
| 19. Northern Arizona | 0-1 | 167 | 18 | |
| 20. Tennessee Tech | 1-0 | 159 | 22t | |
| 21. Mercer | 0-1 | 156 | 11 | |
| 22. North Dakota | 0-1 | 95 | NR | |
| 23. Stephen F. Austin | 0-1 | 60 | 24 | |
| 24. East Tennessee St. | 1-0 | 58 | NR | |
| 25. Nicholls St. | 1-1 | 57 | NR | |
| Western Carolina | 0-1 | 57 | 19 | |
| Dropped out: Richmond (T22), Stony Brook (25) | | | | |
| Others receiving votes: Austin Peay 55, Richmond 44, Furman 41, South Carolina St. 40, Southern Utah 36, New Hampshire 30, Stony Brook 30, Tennessee-Martin 22, Northern Iowa 21, Northern Colorado 17, Youngstown St. 17, Cal Poly 16, North Carolina Central 15, Harvard 14, Dartmouth 13, Eastern Washington 12, Idaho St. 12, Chattanooga 10, Lafayette 10, Tennessee St. 10, Southeastern Louisiana 8, Holy Cross 7, Albany 6, Central Arkansas 5, Princeton 4, William & Mary 4, Gardner-Webb 3, Presbyterian 3, Indiana St. 2, McNeese St. 2, West Georgia 1. | | | | |

OFFENSIVE RETURNERS: North Dakota State returns 11 starters this year, including five on offense. Center **Trent Fraley** and guard **Griffin Empey** are back to anchor the offensive line, which graduated two NFL tackles in first-round draft pick **Grey Zabel** and undrafted free-agent signee **Mason Miller**. In the backfield, the Bison return fullback **Truman Werremeyer** and running back **Barika Kpeenu** is the top returning rusher after averaging 5.5 yards per carry with 725 yards and seven touchdowns. Wide receiver **Bryce Lance** made 75 catches for 1,071 yards (the second most catches and third most yards in NDSU single-season history) and led the FCS with a school-record 17 touchdown catches last year.

DEFENSIVE RETURNERS: North Dakota State returns six starters on defense, including cornerbacks **Anthony Chideme-Alfaro** and **Jailen Duffie**, safety **Darius Givance**, linebacker **Logan Kopp**, defensive end **Toby Anene** and defensive tackle **Jaxon Duttenhefer**. NDSU led the FCS in turnover margin last year at plus-19 with five interceptions and 14 fumbles recovered. Kopp led the Bison with 73 tackles and three interceptions last year, and he was second on the team with 8.5 tackles for loss.

18 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS: North Dakota State has won 18 football national championships. NDSU claimed three College Division national championships in 1965, 1968 and 1969 via the national polls, five Division II playoff titles in 1983, 1985, 1986, 1988 and 1990, and was the first team in college football history to win five straight national titles with FCS crowns in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 and 2015 before winning again in 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021 and 2024. The Bison lost to the eventual national champion in the 2010 and 2020 quarterfinals and 2016 semifinals.

NON-CONFERENCE SUCCESS: North Dakota State is 88-6 against non-conference opponents since the beginning of its first FCS national championship season in 2011. Two losses were to FBS opponents (31-28 at Arizona in 2021 and 31-26 at Colorado in 2024) and two were in the playoffs to the eventual national champion (27-17 to James Madison in 2016 and 24-20 at Sam Houston State in 2020-21). Montana's 31-29 double-overtime win in the 2023 FCS semifinals and 38-35 victory in the 2015 FCS Kickoff are NDSU's only other non-conference losses the past 13 years.

NUMERICAL ROSTER

| No. | Name | Pos. | Ht. | Wt. | Yr. | Hometown/High School/Previous School |
|-----|------------------------|------|------|-----|------|---|
| 0 | Jaquise Alexander | CB | 5-10 | 178 | Jr. | Ruskin, Fla./Sumner HS |
| 1 | Donovan Woolen | LB | 6-4 | 219 | So. | Frisco, Texas/Wakeland HS |
| 2 | Jailen Duffie | CB | 5-11 | 172 | So. | Waukegan, Ill./Warren Township HS |
| 2 | Kellen Entz | WR | 6-3 | 206 | Jr. | West Fargo, N.D./Sheyenne HS |
| 3 | RaJa Nelson | WR | 5-9 | 196 | Sr. | Lakeville, Minn./Lakeville North HS |
| 4 | Owen Johnson | RB | 5-11 | 212 | Sr. | Mankato, Minn./Mankato West HS |
| 5 | Bryce Lance | WR | 6-3 | 209 | Sr. | Marshall, Minn./Marshall HS |
| 6 | Jaylin Crumby | S | 5-11 | 196 | So. | Tampa, Fla./Armwood HS |
| 7 | DJ Scott | RB | 5-11 | 206 | So. | Oviedo, Fla./Oviedo HS/Kennesaw State |
| 8 | Barika Kpeenu | RB | 5-10 | 213 | Sr. | West Fargo, N.D./Sheyenne HS |
| 9 | Cole Payton | QB | 6-3 | 233 | Sr. | Omaha, Neb./Westside HS |
| 10 | Antoine Booth | CB | 5-11 | 170 | Sr. | Jessup, Md./DeMatha Catholic HS/James Madison |
| 10 | Trey Drake | QB | 6-3 | 206 | So. | Jamestown, N.Y./Jamestown HS |
| 11 | Jacob Kilzer | WR | 6-3 | 199 | RFr. | Maple Grove, Minn./Maple Grove HS/Air Force Prep |
| 11 | Chance Symons | DE | 6-2 | 236 | Jr. | Mitchell, Neb./Scottsbluff HS/Arizona State |
| 12 | Nathan Hayes | QB | 6-3 | 219 | Jr. | West Chicago, Ill./St. Charles East HS |
| 13 | Najee Nelson | CB | 5-11 | 191 | So. | Lakeville, Minn./Lakeville North HS |
| 13 | Zander Smith | QB | 6-3 | 222 | Fr. | Lakeland, Fla./Lakeland HS |
| 14 | Preston Brown | QB | 6-1 | 198 | Fr. | Festus, Mo./Hillsboro HS |
| 14 | Taylen Eady | S | 6-0 | 198 | RFr. | Toano, Va./Warhill HS |
| 15 | Mekhi Collins | WR | 6-4 | 214 | Jr. | North Mankato, Minn./Mankato West HS |
| 16 | Silas Evans III | WR | 6-1 | 193 | So. | Denver, Colo./George Washington HS/Colorado State |
| 17 | Isiah St. Romain | WR | 6-0 | 195 | RFr. | Williston, N.D./Williston HS |
| 18 | Jackson Williams | WR | 5-11 | 183 | So. | Omaha, Neb./Millard West HS |
| 19 | Chris Harris | WR | 6-3 | 210 | Sr. | El Paso, Texas/El Dorado HS |
| 19 | Will Rosenmeyer | CB | 6-0 | 188 | RFr. | Highlands Ranch, Colo./Rock Canyon HS |
| 20 | Drake Schlosser | WR | 6-1 | 198 | Fr. | Stanley, N.D./Stanley HS |
| 20 | Will Steil | S | 6-2 | 202 | RFr. | Cold Spring, Minn./ROCORI HS |
| 21 | Chris Kiel | WR | 5-11 | 198 | Fr. | Mount Horeb, Wis./Mount Horeb HS |
| 21 | Noah Taylor | LB | 6-0 | 224 | So. | Lemont, Ill./Lemont Township HS |
| 22 | Hudson Artz | S | 6-0 | 203 | Jr. | Fairmont, Minn./Fairmont HS |
| 22 | Charles Ross III | RB | 5-9 | 191 | Fr. | Kansas City, Mo./St. Pius X HS |
| 23 | Kegan Huber | CB | 6-0 | 184 | Jr. | Lake Geneva, Wis./Badger HS |
| 24 | Anthony Chideme-Alfaro | CB | 6-2 | 206 | Sr. | Sacramento, Calif./Jesuit HS/Cornell |
| 25 | Ray James Jr. | LB | 6-2 | 220 | RFr. | Eden Prairie, Minn./DeLaSalle HS |
| 25 | Myles Mitchell | RB | 5-9 | 195 | Fr. | Chicago, Ill./Richards HS |
| 26 | Evrett Tait | S | 6-0 | 199 | Fr. | Chippewa Falls, Wis./Regis HS |
| 26 | Brady Wavrunek | RB | 5-11 | 206 | So. | Sioux City, Iowa/Sioux City East HS |
| 27 | Ryan Jones | S | 6-3 | 204 | Sr. | Frisco, Texas/Reedy HS |
| 28 | Kendrick Carter | CB | 5-10 | 151 | Fr. | Dallas, Texas/South Oak Cliff HS |
| 28 | Cortez LeGrant | RB | 5-10 | 189 | So. | Sun Prairie, Wis./Sun Prairie East HS/Minnesota |
| 29 | Darius Givance | S | 6-2 | 208 | Jr. | Champlin, Minn./Champlin Park HS |
| 30 | Jaylen Archibald | S | 6-1 | 195 | Fr. | Frisco, Texas/Frisco HS/Air Force Prep |
| 30 | Kelly Watson | WR | 5-11 | 195 | So. | Elmhurst, Ill./York HS |
| 31 | Mikhale Ford | S | 5-11 | 181 | Fr. | Lincoln, Neb./Lincoln East HS |
| 32 | Austin Altepeter | LB | 6-2 | 228 | Jr. | Fargo, N.D./Moorhead HS |
| 32 | Barry Kpeenu | RB | 5-10 | 199 | So. | West Fargo, N.D./Sheyenne HS/Rochester CTC |
| 33 | Walker Braaten | S | 6-3 | 183 | Fr. | Westhope, N.D./Westhope HS |
| 33 | Gabriel Cunningham | TE | 6-3 | 225 | Fr. | Wentzville, Mo./Holt HS |
| 34 | Jonathan Harvey | RB | 5-10 | 195 | Jr. | Mahtomedi, Minn./Mahtomedi HS |
| 34 | Marion Moore | CB | 5-11 | 186 | Fr. | Madison, Wis./Madison Memorial HS |
| 35 | Ryland Satter | LB | 6-1 | 230 | RFr. | Sioux Falls, S.D./O'Gorman HS |
| 36 | McClain Miller | FB | 6-1 | 230 | RFr. | Middlebury, Ind./Northridge HS |
| 37 | Drew Klein | K | 5-9 | 175 | Jr. | Hortonville, Wis./Hortonville HS |
| 38 | Eli Ozick | K | 5-11 | 191 | So. | Liberty, Mo./Liberty HS |
| 38 | Ben Schepp | S | 6-1 | 204 | Fr. | Velva, N.D./Velva HS |
| 39 | Aaron Bickerton | P | 6-3 | 201 | RJr. | Stoke-on-Trent, England/Gulf Coast HS/Howard |
| 39 | Landon Meier | S | 5-11 | 199 | RFr. | Fargo, N.D./Shanley HS |
| 40 | Chase Brixius | LB | 6-2 | 216 | Fr. | Plymouth, Minn./Benilde-St. Margaret's HS |
| 40 | Kaden Zenzen | TE | 6-4 | 244 | Jr. | Barnesville, Minn./Barnesville HS |
| 41 | Peder Haugo | LB | 6-1 | 222 | RFr. | Fargo, N.D./Fargo North HS |
| 41 | Sam Knoll | P | 6-2 | 200 | Fr. | Story City, Iowa/Roland-Story HS |
| 42 | Alex Elliott | LB | 6-2 | 219 | So. | Hutchinson, Minn./Hutchinson HS/Minnesota |
| 42 | Isaac Ellison | TE | 6-4 | 216 | Fr. | Menomonie, Wis./Menomonie HS |
| 43 | Logan Kopp | LB | 6-1 | 221 | Sr. | St. Louis, Mo./Lindbergh HS |
| 44 | Carter Appl | LB | 6-2 | 211 | Fr. | Menasha, Wis./Xavier HS |
| 44 | Luke Kokat | TE | 6-3 | 238 | Jr. | Sturtevant, Wis./Union Grove HS |
| 45 | Gavin Sell | LB | 6-2 | 221 | Fr. | Woodville, Wis./Baldwin-Woodville HS |
| 46 | Truman Werremeyer | FB | 6-2 | 248 | Sr. | Fargo, N.D./Fargo Davies HS |
| 47 | Jacob Wrbanek | LB | 6-4 | 224 | Fr. | Maple Grove, Minn./Maple Grove HS |
| 48 | Caleb Bowers | LS | 6-1 | 224 | Jr. | Whitefish Bay, Wis./Whitefish Bay HS |

ALPHABETICAL

| No. | Name | Pos. |
|-----|------------------------|------|
| 0 | Jaquise Alexander | CB |
| 32 | Austin Altepeter | LB |
| 51 | Sam Anderson | LB |
| 93 | Toby Anene | DE |
| 44 | Carter Appl | LB |
| 30 | Jaylen Archibald | S |
| 22 | Hudson Artz | S |
| 76 | Ryan Babatz | OG |
| 39 | Aaron Bickerton | P |
| 10 | Antoine Booth | CB |
| 48 | Caleb Bowers | LS |
| 33 | Walker Braaten | S |
| 40 | Chase Brixius | LB |
| 14 | Preston Brown | QB |
| 56 | Allante Burley | DE |
| 28 | Kendrick Carter | CB |
| 67 | Kaden Chadwick | OG |
| 24 | Anthony Chideme-Alfaro | CB |
| 65 | Brody Clubb | DT |
| 15 | Mekhi Collins | WR |
| 84 | Logan Conklin | WR |
| 6 | Jaylin Crumby | S |
| 33 | Gabriel Cunningham | TE |
| 69 | Carter Dauner | DE |
| 50 | Damian Devine | LB |
| 89 | Finn Diggins | TE |
| 10 | Trey Drake | QB |
| 2 | Jailen Duffie | CB |
| 64 | Jaxon Duttonhefer | DT |
| 14 | Taylen Eady | S |
| 42 | Alex Elliott | LB |
| 42 | Isaac Ellison | TE |
| 62 | Griffin Empey | OG |
| 2 | Kellen Entz | WR |
| 16 | Silas Evans III | WR |
| 53 | Chase Evink | DT |
| 31 | Mikhale Ford | S |
| 63 | Trent Fraley | C |
| 29 | Darius Givance | S |
| 80 | John Gores | WR |
| 82 | SJ Green | WR |
| 66 | Jack Hansen | DT |
| 19 | Chris Harris | WR |
| 34 | Jonathan Harvey | RB |
| 41 | Peder Haugo | LB |
| 12 | Nathan Hayes | QB |
| 23 | Kegan Huber | CB |
| 97 | Victor Isele | DE |
| 98 | Jack Iuliano | DE |
| 25 | Ray James Jr. | LB |
| 70 | Beau Johnson | OT |
| 4 | Owen Johnson | RB |
| 27 | Ryan Jones | S |
| 81 | Reis Kessel | TE |
| 21 | Chris Kiel | WR |
| 11 | Jacob Kilzer | WR |
| 37 | Drew Klein | K |
| 41 | Sam Knoll | P |
| 44 | Luke Kokat | TE |
| 43 | Logan Kopp | LB |
| 8 | Barika Kpeenu | RB |
| 32 | Barry Kpeenu | RB |
| 5 | Bryce Lance | WR |
| 94 | Logan Larson | DT |
| 28 | Cortez LeGrant | RB |
| 66 | Jack Liwinski | OG |
| 69 | Devin Lockerby | OT |
| 55 | Oliver Lucht | LB |
| 75 | Josh Magin | OT |
| 92 | Kelton McCaslin | DE |
| 39 | Landon Meier | S |

NUMERICAL ROSTER (cont.)

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|----|---------------------|----|------|-----|------|---|
| 48 | Blake Schiltz | DE | 6-2 | 236 | Fr. | Pine Island, Minn./Pine Island HS |
| 49 | Matthew Stenbroten | DE | 6-4 | 242 | RFr. | Lake Mills, Wis./Lake Mills HS |
| 50 | Damian Devine | LB | 6-3 | 222 | Fr. | St. Paul, Minn./Academy of Holy Angels |
| 51 | Sam Anderson | LB | 6-3 | 204 | Fr. | St. Michael, Minn./St. Michael-Albertville HS |
| 52 | Nathaniel Staehling | LB | 6-2 | 238 | Jr. | Baxter, Minn./Brainerd HS |
| 53 | Chase Evink | DT | 6-5 | 256 | Fr. | Hancock, Minn./Hancock HS |
| 54 | Alijah Wayne | DT | 6-4 | 273 | Fr. | Omaha, Neb./Omaha Central HS |
| 55 | Oliver Lucht | LB | 6-1 | 223 | So. | Fargo, N.D./Fargo Davies HS |
| 56 | Allante Burley | DE | 6-3 | 229 | Jr. | Lawrenceville, Ga./Peachtree Ridge HS |
| 57 | Gavin Wang | OT | 6-7 | 282 | Fr. | Annandale, Minn./Annandale HS |
| 58 | Keenan Wilson | DT | 6-1 | 283 | So. | Eagan, Minn./Eagan HS |
| 59 | James Nellis | OG | 6-3 | 279 | Fr. | Grafton, Wis./Grafton HS |
| 60 | Thomas Roberts | DE | 6-4 | 236 | Fr. | Albion, Neb./Boone Central HS |
| 61 | Gage Schmidt | C | 6-3 | 298 | RFr. | North Mankato, Minn./Mankato West HS |
| 62 | Griffin Empey | OG | 6-3 | 298 | So. | Stoughton, Wis./Stoughton HS |
| 63 | Trent Fraley | C | 6-1 | 303 | Jr. | Moon Township, Pa./Moon Area HS/Marshall |
| 64 | Jaxon Duttenhefer | DT | 6-2 | 289 | Sr. | Mandan, N.D./Mandan HS |
| 65 | Brody Clubb | DT | 6-3 | 273 | Fr. | Tiffin, Iowa/Clear Creek Amana HS |
| 66 | Jack Hansen | DT | 6-3 | 275 | RFr. | Eagan, Minn./Eagan HS |
| 66 | Jack Liwienski | OG | 6-3 | 300 | So. | Chanhausen, Minn./Minnetonka HS |
| 67 | Kaden Chadwick | OG | 6-6 | 285 | Jr. | Granville, N.D./Velva HS |
| 68 | Coy Okeson | OG | 6-5 | 294 | RFr. | Minot, N.D./Bishop Ryan HS |
| 69 | Carter Dauner | DE | 6-4 | 208 | Fr. | West Fargo, N.D./West Fargo HS |
| 69 | Devin Lockerby | OT | 6-5 | 310 | Jr. | Faribault, Minn./Faribault HS |
| 70 | Beau Johnson | OT | 6-6 | 297 | So. | Spring Lake Park, Minn./Spring Lake Park HS |
| 71 | Nate Tastad | OG | 6-5 | 285 | RFr. | Rolette, N.D./Rolette HS |
| 72 | Nate Schneckloth | OG | 6-5 | 300 | So. | Eldridge, Iowa/North Scott HS |
| 73 | Alex Warden | OT | 6-6 | 257 | Fr. | Suamico, Wis./Bay Port HS |
| 74 | Brett Tastad | OG | 6-5 | 265 | Fr. | Rolette, N.D./Rolette HS |
| 75 | Josh Magin | OT | 6-6 | 304 | Jr. | Shakopee, Minn./Shakopee HS |
| 76 | Ryan Babatz | OG | 6-5 | 308 | Fr. | Montrose, Minn./Buffalo HS |
| 77 | Austin Schultz | OT | 6-4 | 300 | So. | Moorhead, Minn./Moorhead HS |
| 78 | Noah Stommes | OT | 6-6 | 261 | RFr. | Richmond, Minn./Eden Valley-Watkins HS |
| 80 | John Gores | WR | 5-6 | 170 | Jr. | Fargo, N.D./Shanley HS |
| 81 | Reis Kessel | TE | 6-5 | 239 | RFr. | Fargo, N.D./Fargo South HS |
| 82 | SJ Green | WR | 5-10 | 176 | Fr. | Tampa, Fla./Jesuit HS |
| 83 | Cade Osterman | WR | 6-1 | 197 | So. | Elk River, Minn./Elk River HS/Minnesota |
| 84 | Logan Conklin | WR | 6-4 | 202 | RFr. | Minot, N.D./Minot HS |
| 85 | Jett Zabel | TE | 6-3 | 226 | RFr. | Pierre, S.D./T.F. Riggs HS |
| 86 | Dylan Vokal | WR | 6-2 | 195 | Fr. | Maple Grove, Minn./Maple Grove HS |
| 87 | Noah Nelson | TE | 6-5 | 238 | Fr. | Hawley, Minn./Hawley HS |
| 88 | Carson Williams | TE | 6-4 | 247 | Sr. | Marshalltown, Iowa/Marshalltown HS/Buffalo |
| 89 | Finn Diggins | TE | 6-4 | 246 | Sr. | Perham, Minn./Perham HS |
| 90 | Wyatt Osterbauer | DE | 6-4 | 234 | RFr. | Montrose, Minn./Buffalo HS |
| 91 | Ethan Wood | DE | 6-4 | 247 | Fr. | Mount Vernon, Iowa/Mount Vernon HS |
| 92 | Kelton McCaslin | DE | 6-5 | 245 | Jr. | St. Charles, Ill./St. Charles East HS |
| 93 | Toby Anene | DE | 6-4 | 259 | Jr. | Cottage Grove, Minn./East Ridge HS |
| 94 | Logan Larson | DT | 6-3 | 283 | Jr. | Woodbury, Minn./East Ridge HS |
| 95 | Zach Vanderpool | DE | 6-5 | 268 | RFr. | Byron, Minn./Byron HS |
| 96 | Abraham Myers | DE | 6-2 | 242 | So. | Sioux Falls, S.D./Washington HS |
| 97 | Victor Isele | DE | 6-2 | 235 | So. | Grand Island, Neb./Northwest HS |
| 98 | Jack Iuliano | DE | 6-3 | 257 | Sr. | Rye, N.Y./Rye HS/Albany |
| 99 | Obald Niyonkuru | DT | 5-11 | 288 | So. | Altoona, Iowa/Southeast Polk HS/Iowa State |

CAPTAINS: Bryce Lance, Cole Payton, Chris Harris, Logan Kopp, Nathaniel Staehling, Jaxon Duttenhefer

PRONUNCIATIONS

Allante (uh-LAWN-tay)
 Altepeter (ALL-teh-pee-ter)
 Anene (uh-NAY-nay)
 Antoine (ANN-twahn)
 Appl (APP-ull)
 Babatz (BAB-itiz)
 Barika (buh-REE-kuh)
 Beschorne (beh-SHAW-ner)
 Bowers (BAH-wers)
 Braaten (BRAH-ten)
 Brixius (BRICKS-ee-iss)
 Chideme-Alfaro
 (shih-DEH-mee all-FAR-oh)
 Clubb (like "club")
 Devine (duh-VINE)

Duffie (DUH-fee)
 Duttenhefer (DOOT-en-hef-er)
 Evink (EE-vink)
 Givance (GIVE-ence)
 Gores (GORZ)
 Haugo (HOW-go)
 Huber (HUE-ber)
 Isele (IZZ-lee)
 Isiah (eye-ZAY-uh)
 Iuliano (you-lee-AH-no)
 Jaquise (jay-KEECE)
 Kessel (KESS-ull)
 Klein (KLINE)
 Klieman (KLY-men)
 Knoll (nole)
 Kokat (KO-cat)

Kopp (COP)
 Kpeenu (PEN-noo)
 Liwienski (luh-WIN-skee)
 Lucht (LUCKT)
 Magin (MAG-in)
 Marion (MAR-ee-on)
 Mekhi (meh-KYE)
 Mikhale (mih-CALE)
 Najee (NAH-zhee)
 Niyonkuru (nee-AWN-kuh-roo)
 Okeson (OAK-uh-son)
 Osterbauer (OH-stur-bah-wer)
 Osterman (OH-stur-men)
 Ozick (OH-zick)
 Polasek (PAWL-uh-seck)
 RaJa (RAH-zhah)

Rosenmeyer (RO-zen-my-er)
 Schepp (shep)
 Schlosser (SLAW-sheer)
 Schneckloth (SHNEK-lawth)
 Silas (SIGH-liss)
 St. Romain (saint-roh-MAIN)
 Staehling (STAY-ling)
 Stenbroten (STEN-brah-ten)
 Stommes (STUM-iss)
 Symons (SIGH-muns)
 Tastad (TAH-stad)
 Vokal (VOE-kull)
 Wavrunek (WAH-vra-neck)
 Werremeyer (WHIR-my-ur)
 Wrbanek (whir-BAN-ek)
 Zabel (ZAY-bull)

ALPHABETICAL

| | | |
|----|---------------------|----|
| 36 | McClain Miller | FB |
| 25 | Myles Mitchell | RB |
| 34 | Marion Moore | CB |
| 96 | Abraham Myers | DE |
| 59 | James Nellis | OG |
| 13 | Najee Nelson | CB |
| 87 | Noah Nelson | TE |
| 3 | RaJa Nelson | WR |
| 99 | Obald Niyonkuru | DT |
| 68 | Coy Okeson | OG |
| 90 | Wyatt Osterbauer | DE |
| 83 | Cade Osterman | WR |
| 38 | Eli Ozick | K |
| 9 | Cole Payton | QB |
| 60 | Thomas Roberts | DE |
| 19 | Will Rosenmeyer | CB |
| 22 | Charles Ross III | RB |
| 35 | Ryland Satter | LB |
| 38 | Ben Schepp | S |
| 48 | Blake Schiltz | DE |
| 20 | Drake Schlosser | WR |
| 61 | Gage Schmidt | C |
| 72 | Nate Schneckloth | OG |
| 77 | Austin Schultz | OT |
| 7 | DJ Scott | RB |
| 45 | Gavin Sell | LB |
| 13 | Zander Smith | QB |
| 17 | Isiah St. Romain | WR |
| 52 | Nathaniel Staehling | LB |
| 20 | Will Steil | S |
| 49 | Matthew Stenbroten | DE |
| 78 | Noah Stommes | OT |
| 11 | Chance Symons | DE |
| 26 | Evrett Tait | S |
| 74 | Brett Tastad | OG |
| 71 | Nate Tastad | OG |
| 21 | Noah Taylor | LB |
| 95 | Zach Vanderpool | DE |
| 86 | Dylan Vokal | WR |
| 57 | Gavin Wang | OT |
| 73 | Alex Warden | OT |
| 30 | Kelly Watson | WR |
| 26 | Brady Wavrunek | RB |
| 54 | Alijah Wayne | DT |
| 46 | Truman Werremeyer | FB |
| 88 | Carson Williams | TE |
| 18 | Jackson Williams | WR |
| 58 | Keenan Wilson | DT |
| 91 | Ethan Wood | DE |
| 1 | Donovan Woolen | LB |
| 47 | Jacob Wrbanek | LB |
| 85 | Jett Zabel | TE |
| 40 | Kaden Zenzen | TE |

BY YEAR

| | |
|-------------------------|----|
| Seniors | 15 |
| Juniors | 25 |
| Sophomores | 26 |
| Redshirt Freshmen | 21 |
| Freshmen | 37 |

BY STATE

| | | | |
|--------------------|----|--------------------|---|
| Minnesota | 39 | Colorado | 2 |
| North Dakota | 21 | New York | 2 |
| Wisconsin | 15 | California | 1 |
| Iowa | 7 | Georgia | 1 |
| Nebraska | 7 | Indiana | 1 |
| Illinois | 6 | Maryland | 1 |
| Texas | 5 | Pennsylvania | 1 |
| Florida | 5 | Virginia | 1 |
| Missouri | 5 | England | 1 |
| South Dakota | 3 | | |

Pioneer Seeds

Bison Sports Network

NDSU football can be heard live on 25 stations across North Dakota and Minnesota. Coverage includes 1-hour pregame and 30-minute postgame shows. Head coach Tim Polasek is also a guest on The Bison Football Coaches Show Thursday nights from 6:30 to 8:00 live from the Holiday Inn Fargo. Email the show at studio@bison1660.com or call 701-476-1660.

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Sam Neidermann..... Play-By-Play
Phil Hansen..... Analyst
Noah Gindorff Sideline

Location

Signal

| | |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Fargo | KPFX-FM 107.9 The Fox |
| *Fargo | KQWB Bison 1660/92.7 FM |
| Ada, MN | KRJB-FM 106.5 |
| Bemidji, MN | KKWB-FM 102.5 |
| Bismarck | KXMR-AM 710 |
| Bowman | KPOK-AM 1340 |
| Detroit Lakes, MN | KDLB-FM 94.5 |
| Devils Lake | KDVL-FM 102.5 |
| Dickinson | KLTC-AM 1460 |
| Fergus Falls, MN | KBRF-AM 1250 |
| Fosston, MN | KKCQ-FM 96.7 |
| Glenwood, MN | KMGK-FM 107.1 |
| Grafton | KXPO-AM 1340 |
| Grand Forks | KQYZ-FM 98.5 |
| Harvey | KHND-AM 1470 |
| *Jamestown | KSJB-AM 600 |
| *Mpls-St. Paul, MN | KYCR-AM 1440 |
| Minot | KCJB-AM 910 |
| Oakes | KDDR-AM 1220 |
| Park Rapids, MN | KXXX-FM 92.5 |
| Rugby | KZZJ-AM 1450 |
| St. Cloud, MN | KXSS-AM 1390 |
| Thief River Falls, MN | KTRF-AM 1230 |
| Wahpeton | KBMW-AM 1450 |
| Williston | KEYZ-AM 660 |

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Bison Television Schedule

| Opponent | Coverage |
|--------------------|------------------|
| at The Citadel | ABC ND / ESPN+ |
| at Tennessee State | ESPN+ |
| SE Missouri State | ABC ND / ESPN+ |
| South Dakota | ABC ND / ESPN+ |
| at Illinois State | ESPN+ |
| Southern Illinois | ABC ND / ESPN+ |
| at Indiana State | ABC ND / ESPN+ |
| at S. Dakota State | ESPN Network TBD |
| Youngstown State | ABC ND / ESPN+ |
| at North Dakota | ABC ND / ESPN+ |
| Northern Iowa | ABC ND / ESPN+ |
| St. Thomas | ABC ND / ESPN+ |

BISON DEPTH CHART

| | | | Offense | | | |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|---------|-----|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Pos. | No. | Name | Ht. | Wt. | Yr. | Hometown |
| LT | 70 | Beau Johnson | 6-6 | 297 | So. | Spring Lake Park, Minn. |
| | 69 | Devin Lockerby | 6-5 | 310 | Jr. | Faribault, Minn. |
| LG | 71 | Nate Tastad | 6-5 | 285 | RFr. | Rolette, N.D. |
| | 66 | Jack Liwienski | 6-3 | 300 | So. | Chanhassen, Minn. |
| or 76 | Ryan Babatz | 6-5 | 308 | Fr. | Montrose, Minn. | |
| C | 63 | Trent Fraley | 6-1 | 303 | Jr. | Moon Township, Pa. |
| | 61 | Gage Schmidt | 6-3 | 298 | RFr. | North Mankato, Minn. |
| RG | 62 | Griffin Empey | 6-3 | 298 | So. | Stoughton, Wis. |
| | 72 | Nate Schneckloth | 6-5 | 300 | So. | Eldridge, Iowa |
| or 76 | Ryan Babatz | 6-5 | 308 | Fr. | Montrose, Minn. | |
| RT | 75 | Josh Magin | 6-6 | 304 | Jr. | Shakopee, Minn. |
| | 78 | Noah Stommes | 6-6 | 261 | RFr. | Richmond, Minn. |
| TE | 89 | Finn Diggins | 6-4 | 246 | Sr. | Perham, Minn. |
| | or 88 | Carson Williams | 6-4 | 247 | Sr. | Marshalltown, Iowa |
| WR-X | 5 | Bryce Lance | 6-3 | 209 | Sr. | Marshall, Minn. |
| | 15 | Mekhi Collins | 6-4 | 214 | Jr. | North Mankato, Minn. |
| WR-Z | 19 | Chris Harris | 6-3 | 210 | Sr. | El Paso, Texas |
| | 17 | Isiah St. Romain | 6-0 | 195 | RFr. | Williston, N.D. |
| WR-F | 3 | RaJa Nelson | 5-9 | 196 | Sr. | Lakeville, Minn. |
| | 18 | Jackson Williams | 5-11 | 183 | So. | Omaha, Neb. |
| FB | 46 | Truman Werremeyer | 6-2 | 248 | Sr. | Fargo, N.D. |
| | 44 | Luke Kokat | 6-3 | 238 | Jr. | Sturtevant, Wis. |
| RB | 8 | Barika Kpeenu | 5-10 | 213 | Sr. | West Fargo, N.D. |
| | or 7 | DJ Scott | 5-11 | 206 | So. | Oviedo, Fla. |
| QB | 9 | Cole Payton | 6-3 | 233 | Sr. | Omaha, Neb. |
| | 12 | Nathan Hayes | 6-3 | 219 | Jr. | West Chicago, Ill. |

| | | | Defense | | | |
|------|-------|------------------------|---------|-----|------|----------------------|
| Pos. | No. | Name | Ht. | Wt. | Yr. | Hometown |
| DE | 92 | Kelton McCaslin | 6-5 | 245 | Jr. | St. Charles, Ill. |
| | 98 | Jack Iuliano | 6-3 | 257 | Sr. | Rye, N.Y. |
| DT | 64 | Jaxon Duttonhefer | 6-2 | 289 | Sr. | Mandan, N.D. |
| | 95 | Zach Vanderpool | 6-5 | 268 | RFr. | Byron, Minn. |
| NG | 58 | Keenan Wilson | 6-1 | 283 | So. | Eagan, Minn. |
| | 94 | Logan Larson | 6-3 | 283 | Jr. | Woodbury, Minn. |
| DE | 93 | Toby Anene | 6-4 | 259 | Jr. | Cottage Grove, Minn. |
| | 97 | Victor Isele | 6-2 | 235 | So. | Grand Island, Neb. |
| WLB | 43 | Logan Kopp | 6-1 | 221 | Sr. | St. Louis, Mo. |
| | 32 | Austin Altepeter | 6-2 | 228 | Jr. | Fargo, N.D. |
| MLB | 52 | Nathaniel Staehling | 6-2 | 238 | Jr. | Baxter, Minn. |
| | 55 | Oliver Lucht | 6-1 | 223 | So. | Fargo, N.D. |
| SLB | 1 | Donovan Woolen | 6-4 | 219 | So. | Frisco, Texas |
| | 25 | Ray James | 6-2 | 220 | RFr. | Eden Prairie, Minn. |
| CB | 24 | Anthony Chideme-Alfaro | 6-2 | 206 | Sr. | Sacramento, Calif. |
| | 10 | Antoine Booth | 5-11 | 170 | Sr. | Jessup, Md. |
| SS | 29 | Darius Givance | 6-2 | 208 | Jr. | Champlin, Minn. |
| | or 27 | Ryan Jones | 6-3 | 204 | Sr. | Frisco, Texas |
| FS | 6 | Jaylin Crumby | 5-11 | 196 | So. | Tampa, Fla. |
| | or 14 | Taylen Eady | 6-0 | 198 | RFr. | Toano, Va. |
| CB | 2 | Jailen Duffie | 5-11 | 175 | So. | Waukegan, Ill. |
| | 0 | Jaquise Alexander | 5-10 | 178 | Jr. | Ruskin, Fla. |

| | | | Specialists | | | |
|------|-------|------------------|-------------|-----|------|-------------------------|
| Pos. | No. | Name | Ht. | Wt. | Yr. | Hometown |
| K | 38 | Eli Ozick | 5-11 | 191 | So. | Liberty, Mo. |
| | or 37 | Drew Klein | 5-9 | 175 | Jr. | Hortonville, Wis. |
| H | 39 | Aaron Bickerton | 6-3 | 201 | RJr. | Stoke-on-Trent, England |
| | 12 | Nathan Hayes | 6-3 | 219 | Jr. | West Chicago, Ill. |
| LS | 48 | Caleb Bowers | 6-1 | 224 | Jr. | Whitefish Bay, Wis. |
| | 1 | Donovan Woolen | 6-4 | 219 | So. | Frisco, Texas |
| P | 39 | Aaron Bickerton | 6-3 | 201 | RJr. | Stoke-on-Trent, England |
| | 37 | Drew Klein | 5-9 | 175 | Jr. | Hortonville, Wis. |
| KR | 18 | Jackson Williams | 5-11 | 183 | So. | Omaha, Neb. |
| | 80 | John Gores | 5-6 | 170 | Jr. | Fargo, N.D. |
| PR | 18 | Jackson Williams | 5-11 | 183 | So. | Omaha, Neb. |
| | 3 | RaJa Nelson | 5-9 | 196 | Sr. | Lakeville, Minn. |

THE COACHING STAFF

Tim Polasek was named head football coach at North Dakota State University on Dec. 17, 2023. He is the 32nd head coach in program history.

Polasek was part of the NDSU staff under head coach Craig Bohl from 2006 to 2012 coaching the running backs, tight ends and fullbacks in addition to his duties with special teams and recruiting. He returned to North Dakota State in 2014 and spent three seasons as the offensive coordinator and running backs coach under Chris Klieman.

In between his two stops at North Dakota State, Polasek was the tight ends and fullbacks coach for a 12-2 Northern Illinois team that advanced to the 2013 Mid-American Conference championship game and Poinsettia Bowl.

Polasek has eight years of experience at the FBS level. He spent four seasons in the Big Ten as offensive line coach at Iowa from 2017 to 2020, and was in the Mountain West as offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach under Bohl at Wyoming from 2021 to 2023.

He was an assistant coach at Wisconsin-Stevens Point for three seasons before coming to North Dakota State. Polasek coached the defensive backs (2005), wide receivers/tight ends (2003-04) and quarterbacks (spring 2003), and was the special teams coordinator in 2004-05 and passing game coordinator in 2003-04.

The all-time leading passer at Concordia University in Wisconsin, he set single-game, single-season and career records in TD passes, passing yards, completions and completion percentage. Polasek was the 2000 Badger-Illini Conference Player of the Year. He was a two-time first team all-conference selection in 2000-01 and second team in 1999.

Polasek graduated from Concordia in 2002 with a bachelor's degree in physical education and earned his master's degree from Wisconsin-Stevens Point in 2005. He is married to Jill Polasek.



Tim Polasek
Head Coach



Dan Larson
Offensive Coordinator
Tight Ends/Fullbacks



Grant Olson
Defensive Coordinator
Linebackers



Joe Beschoner
Quarterbacks



Dylan Chmura
Offensive Line



Steve Crutchley
Wide Receivers



Will Johnson
Cornerbacks



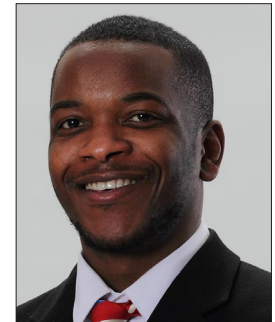
Devin Klieman
Safeties



Carlton Littlejohn
Defensive Ends



Kody Morgan
Defensive Tackles



Sam Ojuri
Running Backs



Jim Kramer
Director of
Athletic Performance



Ryan Napoli
Director of
Athletic Performance



Trisha Shannon
Associate
Athletic Trainer

PLAYER PARTICIPATION

| | Player Participation | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|----------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|------------|
| | Played 2025 | Played Career | Played Streak | Starts 2025 | Starts Career | Starts Streak | at The Citadel | at Tennessee St. | SE Missouri St. | South Dakota | at Illinois St. | Southern Illinois | at Indiana St. | at South Dakota St. | Youngstown St. | at North Dakota | Northern Iowa | St. Thomas |
| Alexander | 1 | 22 | 4 | | 7 | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Altepeter | 1 | 17 | 4 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Anene | 1 | 28 | 19 | 1 | 10 | 10 | DE | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Artz | 1 | 18 | 14 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bickerton | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Booth | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bowers | 1 | 33 | 32 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Burley | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chideme-Alfaro | 1 | 15 | 7 | 1 | 9 | 2 | CB | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Collins | 1 | 26 | 7 | | 2 | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Conklin | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Crumby | 1 | 15 | 13 | | 6 | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Diggins | 1 | 43 | 16 | 1 | 2 | 1 | TE | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Drake | 1 | 2 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Duffie | 1 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 4 | CB | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Duttenhefer | 1 | 48 | 10 | 1 | 10 | 1 | DT | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Eady | 1 | 8 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Empey | 1 | 15 | 7 | 1 | 15 | 7 | RG | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Entz | 1 | 8 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Evans | | 7 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fraley | 1 | 17 | 17 | 1 | 17 | 17 | C | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Givance | 1 | 32 | 32 | 1 | 13 | 13 | SS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gores | 1 | 13 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hansen | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Harris | 1 | 34 | 32 | | 2 | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Haugo | 1 | 5 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hayes | 1 | 9 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Huber | 1 | 6 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Isele | 1 | 4 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Iuliano | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| James | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| B. Johnson | 1 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | LT | | | | | | | | | | | |
| O. Johnson | 1 | 21 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jones | 1 | 47 | 47 | 1 | 8 | 3 | FS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kessel | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kilzer | 1 | 2 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Klein | 1 | 5 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kokat | 1 | 18 | 16 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kopp | 1 | 46 | 8 | 1 | 30 | 6 | WLB | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Barika Kpeenu | 1 | 35 | 32 | 1 | 7 | 1 | RB | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lance | 1 | 45 | 37 | 1 | 14 | 6 | WR | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Larson | 1 | 31 | 17 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| LeGrant | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Liwienski | 1 | 11 | 1 | | 2 | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lockerby | 1 | 10 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lucht | 1 | 5 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Magin | 1 | 17 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | RT | | | | | | | | | | | |
| McCaslin | 1 | 23 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | DE | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Meier | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mitchell | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Myers | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N. Nelson | 1 | 14 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| R. Nelson | 1 | 63 | 6 | 1 | 17 | 2 | WR | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Niyonkuru | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Osterman | | 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

PLAYER PARTICIPATION (cont.)

| | Played 2025 | Played Career | Played Streak | Starts 2025 | Starts Career | Starts Streak | at The Citadel | at Tennessee St. | SE Missouri St. | South Dakota | at Illinois St. | Southern Illinois | at Indiana St. | at South Dakota St. | Youngstown St. | at North Dakota | Northern Iowa | St. Thomas |
|-------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|------------|
| Ozick | 1 | 25 | 24 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Payton | 1 | 40 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | QB | | | | | | | | | | | |
| St. Romain | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Schmidt | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Schneckloth | 1 | 7 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Scott | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Staehling | 1 | 20 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | MLB | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Steil | 1 | 6 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Stenbroten | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Stommies | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Symons | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N. Tastad | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | LG | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Taylor | 1 | 15 | 14 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Vanderpool | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Watson | | 5 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wavrunek | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wayne | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Werremeyer | 1 | 43 | 39 | 1 | 12 | 1 | FB | | | | | | | | | | | |
| C. Williams | 1 | 34 | 32 | | 8 | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J. Williams | 1 | 16 | 16 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wilson | 1 | 16 | 16 | 1 | 1 | 1 | NG | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Woolen | 1 | 12 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 1 | SLB | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Zabel | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| K. Zenzen | 1 | 26 | 17 | | | | *** | | | | | | | | | | | |

| 2025 STARTERS, GAME BY GAME | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|-------------|--------|-------|--------|-----------|----------|---------|------------|---------------|----------------|--|
| OFF. | LT | LG | C | RG | RT | WR | WR | TE | FB | RB | QB | |
| at CIT | Johnson | N.Tastad | Fraley | Empey | Magin | Lance | R.Nelson | Diggins | Werremeyer | Barika Kpeenu | Payton | |
| at TSU | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SEMO | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| USD | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| at ILST | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SIU | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| at INST | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| at SDSU | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| YSU | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| at UND | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| UNI | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| UST | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DEF. | DE | DT | NG | DE | SLB | MLB | WLB | CB | SS | FS | CB | |
| at CIT | McCaslin | Duttenhefer | Wilson | Anene | Woolen | Staehling | Kopp | Duffie | Givance | Jones | Chideme-Alfaro | |
| at TSU | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SEMO | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| USD | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| at ILST | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| SIU | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| at INST | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| at SDSU | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| YSU | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| at UND | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| UNI | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| UST | | | | | | | | | | | | |

2025 North Dakota State Football

North Dakota State Game Results (as of Sep 01, 2025)

All games

| Date | Opponent | | Score | Overall | Conference | Time | Attend |
|--------------|----------------|---|-------|---------|------------|------|--------|
| Aug 30, 2025 | at The Citadel | W | 38-0 | 1-0 | 0-0 | 2:51 | 10691 |

North Dakota State Team Game-by-Game Comparison (as of Sep 01, 2025)

All games

| Opponent | Score | First Downs | | | | Rushing Number-Yards | Passing | | Total Offense Plays-Yards | Return Yards | Turn- Overs |
|-------------|--------|-------------|--------|--------|-------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------|------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | | Total | Rush | Pass | Pen | | Comp-Att-Int | Yards | | | |
| The Citadel | 38 - 0 | 25 / 8 | 12 / 7 | 13 / 1 | 0 / 0 | 47-256 / 41-104 | 15-21-0 / 2-6-0 | 263 / 22 | 68-519 / 47-126 | 47 / 13 | 0 / 1 |
| Totals | 38 - 0 | 25 / 8 | 12 / 7 | 13 / 1 | 0 / 0 | 47-256 / 41-104 | 15-21-0 / 2-6-0 | 263 / 22 | 68-519 / 47-126 | 47 / 13 | 0 / 1 |

| Opponent | 3rd Down | 4th Down | Time of Possession | TOP Margin | Avg Yds/Rush | Avg Yds/Pass | Avg Yds/Play | Punting Number-Avg | Penalties Number-Yards | Sacks |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-------|
| | Conversions | Conversions | | | | | | | | |
| The Citadel | 6-11 / 2-12 | 1-1 / 1-2 | 36:03 / 23:57 | 12:06 | 5.4 / 2.5 | 12.5 / 3.7 | 7.6 / 2.7 | 3-33.7 / 7-45.3 | 6-35 / 0-0 | 5 / 0 |
| Totals | 6-11 / 2-12 | 1-1 / 1-2 | 36:03 / 23:57 | 12:06 | 5.4 / 2.5 | 12.5 / 3.7 | 7.6 / 2.7 | 3-33.7 / 7-45.3 | 6-35 / 0-0 | 5 / 0 |

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

2025 North Dakota State Football
North Dakota State Overall Team Statistics (as of Sep 01, 2025)
All games

| Team Statistics | NDSU | OPP |
|-------------------------|-------------|------------|
| SCORING | 38 | 0 |
| Points Per Game | 38.0 | 0.0 |
| Points Off Turnovers | 7 | 0 |
| FIRST DOWNS | 25 | 8 |
| Rushing | 12 | 7 |
| Passing | 13 | 1 |
| Penalty | 0 | 0 |
| RUSHING YARDAGE | 256 | 104 |
| Yards gained rushing | 260 | 151 |
| Yards lost rushing | 4 | 47 |
| Rushing Attempts | 47 | 41 |
| Average Per Rush | 5.4 | 2.5 |
| Average Per Game | 256.0 | 104.0 |
| TDs Rushing | 3 | 0 |
| PASSING YARDAGE | 263 | 22 |
| Comp-Att-Int | 15-21-0 | 2-6-0 |
| Average Per Pass | 12.5 | 3.7 |
| Average Per Catch | 17.5 | 11.0 |
| Average Per Game | 263.0 | 22.0 |
| TDs Passing | 2 | 0 |
| TOTAL OFFENSE | 519 | 126 |
| Total Plays | 68 | 47 |
| Average Per Play | 7.6 | 2.7 |
| Average Per Game | 519.0 | 126.0 |
| KICK RETURNS: #-Yards | 1-34 | 1-13 |
| PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards | 2-4 | 0-0 |
| INT RETURNS: #-Yards | 0-0 | 0-0 |
| KICK RETURN AVERAGE | 34.0 | 13.0 |
| PUNT RETURN AVERAGE | 2.0 | 0.0 |
| INT RETURN AVERAGE | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| FUMBLES-LOST | 2-0 | 2-1 |
| PENALTIES-Yards | 6-35 | 0-0 |
| Average Per Game | 35.0 | 0.0 |
| PUNTS-Yards | 3-101 | 7-317 |
| Average Per Punt | 33.7 | 45.3 |
| Net punt average | 27.0 | 44.7 |
| KICKOFFS-Yards | 7-405 | 1-63 |
| Average Per Kick | 57.9 | 63.0 |
| Net kick average | 41.7 | 29.0 |
| TIME OF POSSESSION/Game | 36:03 | 23:57 |
| 3RD-DOWN Conversions | 6/11 | 2/12 |
| 3rd-Down Pct | 55% | 17% |
| 4TH-DOWN Conversions | 1/1 | 1/2 |
| 4th-Down Pct | 100% | 50% |
| SACKS BY-Yards | 5-20 | 0-0 |
| MISC YARDS | 0 | 0 |
| TOUCHDOWNS SCORED | 5 | 0 |
| FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS | 1-1 | 0-0 |
| ON-SIDE KICKS | 0-0 | 0-0 |
| RED-ZONE SCORES | (5-5) 100% | (0-1) 0% |
| RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS | (4-5) 80% | (0-1) 0% |
| PAT-ATTEMPTS | (5-5) 100% | (0-0) 0% |
| ATTENDANCE | 0 | 10691 |
| Games/Avg Per Game | 0/0 | 1/10691 |
| Neutral Site Games | | 0/0 |

| Score by Quarters | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | OT | Total |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|--------------|
| North Dakota State | 0 | 17 | 14 | 7 | 0 | 38 |
| Opponents | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

SEASON

CAREER

| Rushing | gp | att | gain | loss | net | avg | td | lg | avg/g | gp | att | gain | loss | net | avg | td | lg | avg/g |
|----------------|----|-----|------|------|-----|-----|----|----|-------|----|-----|------|------|------|------|----|----|-------|
| Cole Payton | 1 | 11 | 103 | 2 | 101 | 9.2 | 0 | 27 | 101.0 | 40 | 162 | 1340 | 98 | 1242 | 7.7 | 18 | 73 | 31.0 |
| Barika Kpeenu | 1 | 12 | 80 | 1 | 79 | 6.6 | 2 | 24 | 79.0 | 35 | 255 | 1405 | 48 | 1357 | 5.3 | 14 | 52 | 38.8 |
| DJ Scott | 1 | 10 | 43 | 0 | 43 | 4.3 | 1 | 7 | 43.0 | 1 | 10 | 43 | 0 | 43 | 4.3 | 1 | 7 | 43.0 |
| Cortez LeGrant | 1 | 5 | 22 | 1 | 21 | 4.2 | 0 | 18 | 21.0 | 1 | 5 | 22 | 1 | 21 | 4.2 | 0 | 18 | 21.0 |
| Myles Mitchell | 1 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 1.0 | 0 | 2 | 4.0 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 1.0 | 0 | 2 | 4.0 |
| Trey Drake | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 3.0 | 0 | 1 | 3.0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 3.0 | 0 | 1 | 1.5 |
| Nathan Hayes | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 3.0 | 0 | 3 | 3.0 | 9 | 8 | 100 | 7 | 93 | 11.6 | 1 | 51 | 10.3 |
| Owen Johnson | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1.0 | 0 | 2 | 2.0 | 21 | 31 | 200 | 12 | 188 | 6.1 | 1 | 55 | 9.0 |
| Bryce Lance | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 45 | 6 | 32 | 3 | 29 | 4.8 | 1 | 18 | 0.6 |
| Total | 1 | 47 | 260 | 4 | 256 | 5.4 | 3 | 27 | 256.0 | | | | | | | | | |
| Opponents | 1 | 41 | 151 | 47 | 104 | 2.5 | 0 | 14 | 104.0 | | | | | | | | | |

| Passing | gp | effic | comp-att-int | pct | yds | td | lg | avg/g | gp | effic | comp-att-int | pct | yds | td | lg | avg/g |
|--------------|----|--------|--------------|-------|-----|----|----|-------|----|--------|--------------|------|-----|----|----|-------|
| Cole Payton | 1 | 183.92 | 10-16-0 | 62.5 | 192 | 1 | 34 | 192.0 | 40 | 159.90 | 47-74-2 | 63.5 | 661 | 6 | 49 | 16.5 |
| Nathan Hayes | 1 | 285.28 | 5-5-0 | 100.0 | 71 | 1 | 16 | 71.0 | 9 | 225.58 | 17-24-0 | 70.8 | 285 | 4 | 38 | 31.7 |
| Total | 1 | 208.06 | 15-21-0 | 71.4 | 263 | 2 | 34 | 263.0 | | | | | | | | |
| Opponents | 1 | 64.13 | 2-6-0 | 33.3 | 22 | 0 | 14 | 22.0 | | | | | | | | |

| Receiving | gp | no. | yds | avg | td | lg | avg/g | gp | no. | yds | avg | td | lg | avg/g |
|------------------|----|-----|-----|------|----|----|-------|----|-----|------|------|----|----|-------|
| Bryce Lance | 1 | 4 | 34 | 8.5 | 0 | 15 | 34.0 | 45 | 80 | 1112 | 13.9 | 17 | 74 | 24.7 |
| RaJa Nelson | 1 | 2 | 60 | 30.0 | 1 | 34 | 60.0 | 63 | 92 | 945 | 10.3 | 7 | 40 | 15.0 |
| Chris Harris | 1 | 2 | 36 | 18.0 | 0 | 23 | 36.0 | 34 | 32 | 440 | 13.8 | 2 | 49 | 12.9 |
| Reis Kessel | 1 | 1 | 31 | 31.0 | 0 | 31 | 31.0 | 1 | 1 | 31 | 31.0 | 0 | 31 | 31.0 |
| Barika Kpeenu | 1 | 1 | 20 | 20.0 | 0 | 20 | 20.0 | 35 | 16 | 142 | 8.9 | 1 | 40 | 4.1 |
| Mekhi Collins | 1 | 1 | 20 | 20.0 | 0 | 20 | 20.0 | 26 | 18 | 334 | 18.6 | 3 | 70 | 12.8 |
| DJ Scott | 1 | 1 | 19 | 19.0 | 0 | 19 | 19.0 | 1 | 1 | 19 | 19.0 | 0 | 19 | 19.0 |
| Logan Conklin | 1 | 1 | 16 | 16.0 | 0 | 16 | 16.0 | 1 | 1 | 16 | 16.0 | 0 | 16 | 16.0 |
| Isiah St. Romain | 1 | 1 | 15 | 15.0 | 1 | 15 | 15.0 | 1 | 1 | 15 | 15.0 | 1 | 15 | 15.0 |
| Jackson Williams | 1 | 1 | 12 | 12.0 | 0 | 12 | 12.0 | 16 | 9 | 140 | 15.6 | 1 | 38 | 8.8 |
| Total | 1 | 15 | 263 | 17.5 | 2 | 34 | 263.0 | | | | | | | |
| Opponents | 1 | 2 | 22 | 11.0 | 0 | 14 | 22.0 | | | | | | | |

| Total Offense | q | plays | rush | pass | total | avg/q | q | plays | rush | pass | total | avg/q |
|----------------|---|-------|------|------|-------|-------|----|-------|------|------|-------|-------|
| Cole Payton | 1 | 27 | 101 | 192 | 293 | 293.0 | 40 | 236 | 1242 | 661 | 1903 | 47.6 |
| Barika Kpeenu | 1 | 12 | 79 | 0 | 79 | 79.0 | 35 | 255 | 1357 | 0 | 1357 | 38.8 |
| Nathan Hayes | 1 | 6 | 3 | 71 | 74 | 74.0 | 9 | 32 | 93 | 285 | 378 | 42.0 |
| DJ Scott | 1 | 10 | 43 | 0 | 43 | 43.0 | 1 | 10 | 43 | 0 | 43 | 43.0 |
| Cortez LeGrant | 1 | 5 | 21 | 0 | 21 | 21.0 | 1 | 5 | 21 | 0 | 21 | 21.0 |
| Myles Mitchell | 1 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 4.0 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 4.0 |
| Trey Drake | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 3.0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 1.5 |
| Owen Johnson | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2.0 | 21 | 31 | 188 | 0 | 188 | 9.0 |
| Total | 1 | 68 | 256 | 263 | 519 | 519.0 | | | | | | |
| Opponents | 1 | 47 | 104 | 22 | 126 | 126.0 | | | | | | |

| Scoring | td | fg | PAT | | | | | dxp | saf | pts | td | fg | PAT | | | | | dxp | saf | pts |
|------------------|----|-----|------|------|-----|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|------|---|---|-----|-----|-----|
| | | | kick | rush | rcv | pass | kick | | | | | | rush | rcv | pass | | | | | |
| Barika Kpeenu | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 12 | 15 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 90 | |
| Eli Ozick | - | 1-1 | 5-5 | - | - | - | - | - | 8 | - | 4-6 | 9-9 | - | - | - | - | - | 21 | | |
| DJ Scott | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6 | | |
| RaJa Nelson | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6 | 9 | - | - | - | - | 0-1 | - | - | 54 | | |
| Isiah St. Romain | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6 | | |
| Total | 5 | 1-1 | 5-5 | - | - | - | - | - | 38 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Opponents | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | |

| Punt Returns | no. | yds | avg | td | lg | | no. | yds | avg | td | lg |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|--|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| Jackson Williams | 2 | 4 | 2.0 | 0 | 3 | | 15 | 145 | 9.7 | 1 | 67 |
| Total | 2 | 4 | 2.0 | 0 | 3 | | | | | | |
| Opponents | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | |

2025 North Dakota State Football
North Dakota State Individual Season/Career Statistics (as of Sep 01, 2025)
All games

| SEASON | | | | | | CAREER | | | | | |
|------------------|-----|-----|------|----|----|--------|-----|------|----|-----|--|
| Kick Returns | no. | yds | avg | td | lg | no. | yds | avg | td | lg | |
| Jackson Williams | 1 | 34 | 34.0 | 0 | 34 | 18 | 580 | 32.2 | 1 | 100 | |
| Total | 1 | 34 | 34.0 | 0 | 34 | | | | | | |
| Opponents | 1 | 13 | 13.0 | 0 | 13 | | | | | | |

| Interceptions | no. | yds | avg | td | lg | no. | yds | avg | td | lg | |
|---------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|--|
| Total | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | |
| Opponents | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | |

| Fumble Returns | no. | yds | avg | td | lg | no. | yds | avg | td | lg | |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|-----|------|----|----|--|
| Logan Kopp | 1 | 9 | 9.0 | 0 | 9 | 2 | 25 | 12.5 | 0 | 16 | |
| Total | 1 | 9 | 9.0 | 0 | 9 | | | | | | |
| Opponents | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | | |

| All Purpose | g | rush | rcv | pr | kr | ir | total | avg/g | g | rush | rcv | pr | kr | ir | total | avg/g |
|------------------|---|------|-----|----|----|----|-------|-------|----|------|------|-----|-----|----|-------|-------|
| Cole Payton | 1 | 101 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 101 | 101.0 | 40 | 1242 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1247 | 31.2 |
| Barika Kpeenu | 1 | 79 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 99 | 99.0 | 35 | 1357 | 142 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1499 | 42.8 |
| DJ Scott | 1 | 43 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 62 | 62.0 | 1 | 43 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 62 | 62.0 |
| RaJa Nelson | 1 | 0 | 60 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 60 | 60.0 | 63 | 306 | 945 | 0 | 789 | 0 | 2040 | 32.4 |
| Jackson Williams | 1 | 0 | 12 | 4 | 34 | 0 | 50 | 50.0 | 16 | 19 | 140 | 145 | 580 | 0 | 884 | 55.2 |
| Chris Harris | 1 | 0 | 36 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 36 | 36.0 | 34 | 0 | 440 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 440 | 12.9 |
| Bryce Lance | 1 | 0 | 34 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 34 | 34.0 | 45 | 29 | 1112 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1143 | 25.4 |
| Reis Kessel | 1 | 0 | 31 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 31 | 31.0 | 1 | 0 | 31 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 31 | 31.0 |
| Cortez LeGrant | 1 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 21.0 | 1 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 21 | 21.0 |
| Mekhi Collins | 1 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 20.0 | 26 | 0 | 334 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 334 | 12.8 |
| Logan Conklin | 1 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 16.0 | 1 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 16.0 |
| Isiah St. Romain | 1 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 15.0 | 1 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 15.0 |
| Myles Mitchell | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 4.0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 4.0 |
| Nathan Hayes | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3.0 | 9 | 93 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 93 | 10.3 |
| Trey Drake | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3.0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1.5 |
| Owen Johnson | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2.0 | 21 | 188 | 32 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 220 | 10.5 |
| Total | 1 | 256 | 263 | 4 | 34 | 0 | 557 | 557.0 | | | | | | | | |
| Opponents | 1 | 104 | 22 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 139 | 139.0 | | | | | | | | |

| Field Goals | att | good | long | blkd | att | good | long | blkd |
|-------------|-----|------|------|------|-----|------|------|------|
| Eli Ozick | 1 | 1 | 31 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 54 | 0 |
| Total | 1 | 1 | 31 | 0 | | | | |
| Opponents | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | |

| Punting | no. | yds | avg | lg | blk | no. | yds | avg | lg | blk |
|-----------------|-----|-----|------|----|-----|-----|-----|------|----|-----|
| Aaron Bickerton | 3 | 101 | 33.7 | 40 | 0 | 3 | 101 | 33.7 | 40 | 0 |
| Total | 3 | 101 | 33.7 | 40 | 0 | | | | | |
| Opponents | 7 | 317 | 45.3 | 57 | 0 | | | | | |

| Kickoffs | no. | yds | avg | tb | ob | no. | yds | avg | tb | ob |
|------------|-----|-----|------|----|----|-----|-------|------|----|----|
| Eli Ozick | 6 | 365 | 60.8 | 4 | 0 | 172 | 10424 | 60.6 | 94 | 5 |
| Drew Klein | 1 | 40 | 40.0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 796 | 56.9 | 2 | 0 |
| Total | 7 | 405 | 57.9 | 4 | 0 | | | | | |
| Opponents | 1 | 63 | 63.0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | |

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2025 North Dakota State Football
North Dakota State Team Game-by-Game (as of Sep 01, 2025)
All games

TEAM STATISTICS

| Date | Opponent | Rushing | | | | Receiving | | | | Passing | | | | Kick Returns | | | | Punt Returns | | | | tot off |
|--------|----------------|---------|-----|----|----|-----------|-----|----|----|-------------|-----|----|----|--------------|-----|----|----|--------------|-----|----|----|------------|
| | | no. | yds | td | lg | no. | yds | td | lg | cmp-att-int | yds | td | lg | no. | yds | td | lg | no. | yds | td | lg | |
| Aug 30 | at The Citadel | 47 | 256 | 3 | 27 | 15 | 263 | 2 | 34 | 15-21-0 | 263 | 2 | 34 | 1 | 34 | 0 | 34 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 519 |
| | | 47 | 256 | 3 | 27 | 15 | 263 | 2 | 34 | 15-21-0 | 263 | 2 | 34 | 1 | 34 | 0 | 34 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 519 |
| | Opponents | 41 | 104 | 0 | 14 | 2 | 22 | 0 | 14 | 2-6-0 | 22 | 0 | 14 | 1 | 13 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 126 |

Games: 1 • Avg/rush: 5.4 • Avg/catch: 17.5 • Pass effic: 208.06 • KR avg: 34.0 • PR avg: 2.0 • All purpose avg/game: 557.0 • Total offense avg/gm: 519.0

| 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 |
| Aug 30 | at The Citadel | 31 | 24 | 55 | 9.0-32 | 5.0-20 | 0 | 1-9 | | 0-0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5-5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 38 |
| | | 31 | 24 | 55 | 9.0-32 | 5.0-20 | 0 | 1-9 | | 0-0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5-5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 38 |
| | Opponents | 44 | 30 | 74 | 3.0-4 | 0.0-0 | 1 | 0-0 | | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| | | Punting | | | | | | | | | Field Goals | | | Kickoffs | | | | |
|--------|----------------|---------|-----|------|------|------|----|----|-----|-----|-------------|------|------|----------|-----|------|----|----|
| Date | Opponent | no. | yds | avg | long | blkd | tb | fc | 50+ | i20 | md-att | long | blkd | no. | yds | avg | tb | ob |
| Aug 30 | at The Citadel | 3 | 101 | 33.7 | 40 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1-1 | 31 | 0 | 7 | 405 | 57.9 | 4 | 0 |
| | | 3 | 101 | 33.7 | 40 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1-1 | 31 | 0 | 7 | 405 | 57.9 | 4 | 0 |
| | Opponents | 7 | 317 | 45.3 | 57 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 63 | 63.0 | 0 | 0 |

OPPONENT STATISTICS

| Date | Opponent | Rushing | | | | Receiving | | | | Passing | | | | Kick Returns | | | | Punt Returns | | | | tot off |
|--------|--------------------|---------|-----|----|----|-----------|-----|----|----|-------------|-----|----|----|--------------|-----|----|----|--------------|-----|----|----|------------|
| | | no. | yds | td | lg | no. | yds | td | lg | cmp-att-int | yds | td | lg | no. | yds | td | lg | no. | yds | td | lg | |
| Aug 30 | at The Citadel | 41 | 104 | 0 | 14 | 2 | 22 | 0 | 14 | 2-6-0 | 22 | 0 | 14 | 1 | 13 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 126 |
| | | 41 | 104 | 0 | 14 | 2 | 22 | 0 | 14 | 2-6-0 | 22 | 0 | 14 | 1 | 13 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 126 |
| | North Dakota State | 47 | 256 | 3 | 27 | 15 | 263 | 2 | 34 | 15-21-0 | 263 | 2 | 34 | 1 | 34 | 0 | 34 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 519 |

Games: 1 • Avg/rush: 2.5 • Avg/catch: 11.0 • Pass effic: 64.13 • KR avg: 13.0 • All purpose avg/game: 139.0 • Total offense avg/gm: 126.0

| 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 |
| Aug 30 | at The Citadel | 44 | 30 | 74 | 3.0-4 | 0.0-0 | 1 | 0-0 | | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | 44 | 30 | 74 | 3.0-4 | 0.0-0 | 1 | 0-0 | | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | North Dakota State | 31 | 24 | 55 | 9.0-32 | 5.0-20 | 0 | 1-9 | | 0-0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5-5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 38 |

| | | Punting | | | | | | | | | Field Goals | | | Kickoffs | | | | |
|--------|--------------------|---------|-----|------|------|------|----|----|-----|-----|-------------|------|------|----------|-----|------|----|----|
| Date | Opponent | no. | yds | avg | long | blkd | tb | fc | 50+ | i20 | md-att | long | blkd | no. | yds | avg | tb | ob |
| Aug 30 | at The Citadel | 7 | 317 | 45.3 | 57 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 63 | 63.0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | 7 | 317 | 45.3 | 57 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 63 | 63.0 | 0 | 0 |
| | North Dakota State | 3 | 101 | 33.7 | 40 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1-1 | 31 | 0 | 7 | 405 | 57.9 | 4 | 0 |

2025 North Dakota State Football

North Dakota State Red-Zone Results (as of Sep 01, 2025)

All games

North Dakota State Inside Opponent Red-Zone

| Date | Opponent | Score | Times | | Total | Rush | | Pass | FGs | Failed to score inside RZ | | | | | |
|--------------|----------------|--------|-----------------|--------|-------|------|-----|------|------|---------------------------|------|-----|------|------|------|
| | | | In RZ | Scored | | TDs | TDs | TDs | Made | FGA | Down | Int | Fumb | Half | Game |
| Aug 30, 2025 | at The Citadel | W 38-0 | 5 | 5 | 31 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | | | 5 | 5 | 31 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | 5 of 5 (100.0%) | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Opponents Inside North Dakota State Red-Zone

| Date | Opponent | Score | Times | | Total | Rush | | Pass | FGs | Failed to score inside RZ | | | | | |
|--------------|----------------|--------|---------------|--------|-------|------|-----|------|------|---------------------------|------|-----|------|------|------|
| | | | In RZ | Scored | | TDs | TDs | TDs | Made | FGA | Down | Int | Fumb | Half | Game |
| Aug 30, 2025 | at The Citadel | W 38-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | | | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | 0 of 1 (0.0%) | | | | | | | | | | | | |

2025 North Dakota State Football

North Dakota State By-Quarter Statistics (as of Sep 01, 2025)

All games

3rd-Down Conversions

| Date | Opponent | Score | Overall | | 1st Qtr | | 2nd Qtr | | 3rd Qtr | | 4th Qtr | | Overtime | |
|--------------|--------------------|--------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|------|---------|-------|---------|------|----------|-----|
| | | | Att | Pct | Att | Pct | Att | Pct | Att | Pct | Att | Pct | Att | Pct |
| Aug 30, 2025 | at The Citadel | W 38-0 | 6-11 | 54.5 | 0-3 | 0.0 | 1-2 | 50.0 | 3-3 | 100.0 | 2-3 | 66.7 | | |
| | North Dakota State | | 6-11 | 54.5 | 0-3 | 0.0 | 1-2 | 50.0 | 3-3 | 100.0 | 2-3 | 66.7 | 0-0 | 0.0 |
| | Opponents | | 2-12 | 16.7 | 1-3 | 33.3 | 0-3 | 0.0 | 1-3 | 33.3 | 0-3 | 0.0 | 0-0 | 0.0 |

4th-Down Conversions

| Date | Opponent | Score | Overall | | 1st Qtr | | 2nd Qtr | | 3rd Qtr | | 4th Qtr | | Overtime | |
|--------------|--------------------|--------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-----|---------|-------|---------|-----|----------|-----|
| | | | Att | Pct | Att | Pct | Att | Pct | Att | Pct | Att | Pct | Att | Pct |
| Aug 30, 2025 | at The Citadel | W 38-0 | 1-1 | 100.0 | 1-1 | 100.0 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0-0 | 0.0 | | |
| | North Dakota State | | 1-1 | 100.0 | 1-1 | 100.0 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0-0 | 0.0 |
| | Opponents | | 1-2 | 50.0 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 1-1 | 100.0 | 0-1 | 0.0 | 0-0 | 0.0 |

Time of Possession

| Date | Opponent | Score | Overall | | 1st Qtr | | 2nd Qtr | | 3rd Qtr | | 4th Qtr | | Overtime | |
|--------------|--------------------|--------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|----------|-------|
| | | | Time | Score | Time | Score | Time | Score | Time | Score | Time | Score | Time | Score |
| Aug 30, 2025 | at The Citadel | W 38-0 | 36:03 | | 9:22 | | 9:48 | | 7:48 | | 9:05 | | | |
| | North Dakota State | | Total | 36:03 | 9:22 | | 9:48 | | 7:48 | | 9:05 | | 0:00 | |
| | | | Avg. | 36:03 | 9:22 | | 9:48 | | 7:48 | | 9:05 | | 0:00 | |
| | Opponents | | Total | 23:57 | 5:38 | | 5:12 | | 7:12 | | 5:55 | | 0:00 | |
| | | | Avg. | 23:57 | 5:38 | | 5:12 | | 7:12 | | 5:55 | | 0:00 | |

2025 North Dakota State Football

North Dakota State - Long Plays

20-YARD PLUS PLAYS

| Yds | Type | Player(s) | Opponent |
|-----|------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| 34* | Pass | RaJa Nelson from Cole Payton | The Citadel |
| 34 | KR | Jackson Williams | The Citadel |
| 31 | Pass | Reis Kessel from Cole Payton | The Citadel |
| 27 | Rush | Cole Payton | The Citadel |
| 27 | Rush | Cole Payton | The Citadel |
| 26 | Pass | RaJa Nelson from Cole Payton | The Citadel |
| 24 | Rush | Barika Kpeenu | The Citadel |
| 23 | Pass | Chris Harris from Cole Payton | The Citadel |
| 20 | Pass | Barika Kpeenu from Cole Payton | The Citadel |
| 20 | Pass | Mekhi Collins from Cole Payton | The Citadel |

* touchdown scored on play

LONG PLAYS BY THE NUMBERS

| Long Plays By Yards | No. | TD |
|---------------------|-----|----|
| 100+ | 0 | 0 |
| 90-99 | 0 | 0 |
| 80-89 | 0 | 0 |
| 70-79 | 0 | 0 |
| 60-69 | 0 | 0 |
| 50-59 | 0 | 0 |
| 40-49 | 0 | 0 |
| 30-39 | 3 | 1 |
| 20-29 | 7 | 0 |

| Long Plays By Type | No. | TD |
|--------------------|-----|----|
| Rushing | 3 | 0 |
| Passing | 6 | 1 |
| Punt returns | 0 | 0 |
| Kick returns | 1 | 0 |
| Interceptions | 0 | 0 |
| Fumble returns | 0 | 0 |
| Other | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL | 10 | 1 |

20-YARD PLUS BY PLAYER

| Player | No. | TD | R | P | KR | PR | IR | FR |
|------------------|-----|----|---|---|----|----|----|----|
| RaJa Nelson | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Barika Kpeenu | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cole Payton | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Reis Kessel | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Jackson Williams | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Chris Harris | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mekhi Collins | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL | 10 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

LONGEST PLAYS OF THE YEAR

Rushing

27 Cole Payton vs The Citadel (8/30/2025)
 27 Cole Payton vs The Citadel (8/30/2025)

Rushing Touchdown

2 Barika Kpeenu vs The Citadel (8/30/2025)

Passing

34 RaJa Nelson from Cole Payton
 vs The Citadel (8/30/2025)

Passing Touchdown

34 RaJa Nelson from Cole Payton
 vs The Citadel (8/30/2025)

Punt Return

3 Jackson Williams vs The Citadel (8/30/2025)

Kick Return

34 Jackson Williams vs The Citadel (8/30/2025)

Interception Return

None

Fumble Return

9 Logan Kopp vs The Citadel (8/30/2025)

Punt

40 Aaron Bickerton vs The Citadel (8/30/2025)

Field Goal

31 Eli Ozick vs The Citadel (8/30/2025)

SINGLE-GAME NDSU CAREER HIGHS

| RUSHING | Carries | Yards | Touchdowns | Long |
|------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 3 - RaJa Nelson | 6, at Montana St. 12/2/2023 | 103, Western Ill. 10/21/2023 | 1, twice | 76, Western Ill. 10/21/2023 |
| 4 - Owen Johnson | 9, at Missouri St. 10/7/2023 | 82, at Missouri St. 10/7/2023 | 1, Maine, 9/9/2023 | 55, at Missouri St. 10/7/2023 |
| 5 - Bryce Lance | 1, six times | 18, at ETSU 9/14/2024 | 1, at ETSU 9/14/2024 | 18, at ETSU 9/14/2024 |
| 7 - DJ Scott | 10, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 43, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 1, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 7, at Citadel 8/30/2025 |
| 8 - Barika Kpeenu | 16, Mercer 12/14/2024 | 169, Missouri St. 11/16/2024 | 2, five times | 52, Missouri St. 11/16/2024 |
| 9 - Cole Payton | 13, Drake 11/25/2023 | 104, twice | 2, four times | 73, at Illinois St. 9/28/2024 |
| 10 - Trey Drake | 1, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 3, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | | 3, at Citadel 8/30/2025 |
| 12 - Nathan Hayes | 3, at Murray St. 10/26/2024 | 51, Tennessee St. 9/7/2024 | 1, Tennessee St. 9/7/2024 | 51, Tennessee St. 9/7/2024 |
| 26 - Brady Wavrunek | 3, Missouri St. 11/16/2024 | 8, Missouri St. 11/16/2024 | | 4, Missouri St. 11/16/2024 |
| 28 - Cortez LeGrant | 5, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 21, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | | 18, at Citadel 8/30/2025 |
| 30 - Kelly Watson | 8, Western Ill. 10/21/2023 | 43, Western Ill. 10/21/2023 | | 19, Western Ill. 10/21/2023 |
| 45 - Myles Mitchell | 4, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 4, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | | 2, at Citadel 8/30/2025 |
| 80 - John Gores | 5, Western Ill. 10/21/2023 | 41, Western Ill. 10/21/2023 | | 25, Western Ill. 10/21/2023 |
| 81 - Jackson Williams | 1, twice | 12, S.Dakota St. 12/21/2024 | | 12, S.Dakota St. 12/21/2024 |
| PASSING | Completions | Attempts | Yards | Touchdowns |
| 9 - Cole Payton | 10, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 16, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 192, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 1, six times |
| 12 - Nathan Hayes | 9, at Murray St. 10/26/2024 | 15, at Murray St. 10/26/2024 | 141, at Murray St. 10/26/2024 | 2, at Murray St. 10/26/2024 |
| RECEIVING | Receptions | Yards | Touchdowns | Long |
| 3 - RaJa Nelson | 6, at UNI 11/18/2023 | 113, at UNI 11/18/2023 | 2, S.Dakota St. 10/19/2024 | 40, twice |
| 4 - Owen Johnson | 2, Central Ark. 9/16/2023 | 23, Central Ark. 9/16/2023 | | 12, Central Ark. 9/16/2023 |
| 5 - Bryce Lance | 9, vs Montana St. 1/6/2025 | 125, S.Dakota St. 12/21/2024 | 3, twice | 74, at Murray St. 10/26/2024 |
| 7 - DJ Scott | 1, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 19, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | | 19, at Citadel 8/30/2025 |
| 8 - Barika Kpeenu | 3, UNI 11/2/2024 | 46, at Illinois St. 9/28/2024 | 1, at Illinois St. 9/28/2024 | 40, at Illinois St. 9/28/2024 |
| 9 - Cole Payton | 2, Tennessee St. 9/7/2024 | 5, Tennessee St. 9/7/2024 | | 3, Tennessee St. 9/7/2024 |
| 15 - Mekhi Collins | 4, twice | 119, Mercer 12/14/2024 | 1, three times | 70, Mercer 12/14/2024 |
| 17 - Isiah St. Romain | 1, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 15, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 1, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 15, at Citadel 8/30/2025 |
| 18 - Jackson Williams | 3, at Murray St. 10/26/2024 | 55, at Murray St. 10/26/2024 | 1, Missouri St. 11/16/2024 | 38, at Murray St. 10/26/2024 |
| 19 - Chris Harris | 5, S.Dakota St. 10/19/2024 | 58, Towson 9/21/2024 | 1, twice | 49, Towson 9/21/2024 |
| 40 - Kaden Zenzen | 1, UNI 11/2/2024 | 17, UNI 11/2/2024 | | 17, UNI 11/2/2024 |
| 46 - Truman Werremeyer | 2, three times | 18, at Illinois St. 9/28/2024 | | 16, Abilene Christian 12/7/2024 |
| 80 - John Gores | 2, twice | 50, at ETSU 9/14/2024 | 1, twice | 38, at ETSU 9/14/2024 |
| 81 - Reis Kessel | 1, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 31, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | | 31, at Citadel 8/30/2025 |
| 83 - Cade Osterman | 1, three times | 29, Missouri St. 11/16/2024 | | 29, Missouri St. 11/16/2024 |
| 84 - Logan Conklin | 1, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 16, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | | 16, at Citadel 8/30/2025 |
| 88 - Carson Williams | 2, vs E.Wash. 9/2/2023 | 24, Western Ill. 10/21/2023 | | 24, Western Ill. 10/21/2023 |
| 89 - Finn Diggins | 3, South Dakota 9/30/2023 | 21, South Dakota 9/30/2023 | | 14, Western Ill. 10/21/2023 |

SINGLE-GAME NDSU CAREER HIGHS

| DEFENSE | Total Tackles | Tackles For Loss | Sacks |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 0 - Jaquise Alexander | 4, Tennessee St. 9/7/2024 | | |
| 1 - Donovan Woolen | 3, three times | | |
| 2 - Jailen Duffie | 4, North Dakota 10/5/2024 | 1.0, Mercer 12/14/2024 | |
| 6 - Jaylin Crumby | 6, twice | 1.0, S.Dakota St. 10/19/2024 | |
| 10 - Antoine Booth | 1, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | | |
| 13 - Najee Nelson | 2, twice | | |
| 14 - Taylen Eady | 2, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | | |
| 20 - Will Steil | 2, at Murray St. 10/26/2024 | | |
| 21 - Noah Taylor | 2, Missouri St. 11/16/2024 | | |
| 22 - Hudson Artz | 4, Tennessee St. 9/7/2024 | 1.0, at Murray St. 10/26/2024 | |
| 23 - Kegan Huber | 2, twice | | |
| 24 - A. Chideme-Alfaro | 6, Mercer 12/14/2024 | 1.0, twice | |
| 25 - Ray James | 4, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | | |
| 27 - Ryan Jones | 7, S.Dakota St. 12/21/2024 | 0.5, twice | |
| 29 - Darius Givance | 6, UNI 11/2/2024 | 1.0, at Southern Ill. 10/12/2024 | |
| 32 - Austin Altepeter | 5, twice | 2.0, Tennessee St. 9/7/2024 | 1.0, Tennessee St. 9/7/2024 |
| 43 - Logan Kopp | 10, three times | 2.5, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 1.0, seven times |
| 52 - Nathaniel Staehling | 6, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 1.0, Tennessee St. 9/7/2024 | 0.5, at Citadel 8/30/2025 |
| 54 - Alijah Wayne | 1, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 1.0, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 1.0, at Citadel 8/30/2025 |
| 55 - Oliver Lucht | 1, Missouri St. 11/16/2024 | | |
| 56 - Allante Burley | 1 at Citadel 8/30/2025 | | |
| 58 - Keenan Wilson | 3, twice | 2.0, Tennessee St. 9/7/2024 | 1.5, at Citadel 8/30/2025 |
| 64 - Jaxon Duttonhefer | 5, twice | 1.5, at Southern Ill. 11/12/2022 | 1.0, eight times |
| 91 - Jack Hansen | 1, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | | |
| 92 - Kelton McCaslin | 2, seven times | 1.0, four times | 1.0, three times |
| 93 - Toby Anene | 5, vs Montana St. 1/6/2025 | 1.5, Mercer 12/14/2024 | 1.5, Mercer 12/14/2024 |
| 94 - Logan Larson | 5, at Murray St. 10/26/2024 | 1.5, at Murray St. 10/26/2024 | 1.0, twice |
| 96 - Abraham Myers | 1, Tennessee St. 9/7/2024 | | |
| 97 - Victor Isele | 2, Missouri St. 11/16/2024 | | |
| 98 - Jack Iuliano | 1, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 1.0, at Citadel 8/30/2025 | 1.0, at Citadel 8/30/2025 |

THE LAST TIME IT HAPPENED...

NORTH DAKOTA STATE

| | RUSHING | OPPONENT |
|--|---------------------------------|--|
| Cole Payton (101), at Citadel, 8/30/2025 | Player rushed for 100-149 yards | Tommy Mellott (135), vs Montana State, 1/6/2025 |
| Barika Kpeenu (169), Missouri State, 11/16/2024 | Player rushed for 150-199 yards | Sam Hicks (153), Abilene Christian, 12/7/2024 |
| Kobe Johnson (206), Montana, 12/3/2022 | Player rushed for 200+ yards | ShunDerrick Powell (218), Central Arkansas, 9/16/2023 |
| CharMar Brown, at Murray State, 10/26/2024 | Player rushed for 3 TDs | Bryson Irby, at ETSU, 9/14/2024 |
| Lance Dunn, Montana State, 12/1/2018 | Player rushed for 4 TDs | Dave Beyer, Minnesota State Mankato, 9/15/1984 |
| Cam Miller, North Dakota, 11/19/2022 | Player rushed for 5 TDs | Ronnie Moore, at Pittsburg State, 11/28/1992 |
| B.Kpeenu (169)/C.Brown (113), Missouri State, 11/16/2024 | Two 100-yard rushers | Amar Johnson(126)/Isaiah Davis(103), vs SDSU, 1/8/2023 |
| Dunn (127)/Anderson (118)/Brooks (103), Montana St., 12/1/2018 | Three 100-yard rushers | Unknown |

PASSING

| | | |
|---|-----------------------------|--|
| Cam Miller (216), Northern Iowa, 11/2/2024 | QB passed for 200-249 yards | Mark Gronowski (204), South Dakota State, 12/21/2024 |
| Cam Miller (259), Mercer, 12/14/2024 | QB passed for 250-299 yards | Aidan Bouman (272), at South Dakota, 11/23/2024 |
| Trey Lance (313), Western Illinois, 11/9/2019 | QB passed for 300-399 yards | Theo Day (341), at Northern Iowa, 11/18/2023 |
| Steve Walker (451), at Ball State, 9/23/2006 | QB passed for 400+ yards | Shedeur Sanders (445), at Colorado, 8/29/2024 |
| Cam Miller, South Dakota State, 12/21/2024 | QB passed for 3 TDs | Mark Gronowski, vs South Dakota State, 1/8/2023 |
| Cam Miller, Missouri State, 11/16/2024 | QB passed for 4 TDs | Shedeur Sanders, at Colorado, 8/29/2024 |
| Easton Stick, at Missouri State, 11/10/2018 | QB passed for 5 TDs | Never |

RECEIVING

| | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|--|
| Bryce Lance (107), vs Montana State, 1/6/2025 | Player with 100-149 yards receiving | Sergio Morancy (102), Northern Iowa, 11/2/2024 |
| Zach Mathis (160), at Missouri State, 10/7/2023 | Player with 150-199 yards receiving | Jimmy Horn Jr. (198), at Colorado, 8/29/2024 |
| Tim Strehlow (206), at Northern Colorado, 11/6/1999 | Player with 200+ yards receiving | Jason Madkins (239), at Sam Houston State, 9/12/2009 |
| Bryce Lance, Mercer, 12/14/2024 | Player caught 2 TDs | Sergio Morancy, Northern Iowa, 11/2/2024 |
| Bryce Lance, South Dakota State, 12/21/2024 | Player caught 3 TDs | Travis Hunter, at Colorado, 8/29/2024 |
| TR McDonald, at St. Cloud State, 10/23/1993 | Player caught 4 TDs | Never |
| J.Schultenover(115)/K.Heckendorf(112), at Cal Poly 11/10/2007 | Two 100-yard receivers | Jimmy Horn(198)/Travis Hunter(132), at Colorado, 8/29/2024 |

KICKING/PUNTING

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|--|---------------------------|--|
| Eli Ozick (54), at ETSU, 9/14/2024 | Made FG 50+ yards | Paul Geelen (50), at Southern Illinois, 10/12/2024 |
| Kaedin Steindorf, at ETSU, 9/14/2024 (4Q, down 35-30) | Onside kick recovered | Brandyn Bangsund, Eastern Wash., 9/10/2016 (2Q, tied 7-7) |
| Kaedin Steindorf, South Dakota, 9/30/2023 (4Q, down 24-19) | Onside kick not recovered | Brendan Hall, vs Montana State, 1/6/2025 (4Q, down 35-32) |
| Kaedin Steindorf -2 run, at Murray State, 10/26/2024 (4&1) | Fake punt | Nehemiah Martinez 11 run, Abilene Christian, 12/7/2024 (4&13) |
| James Hendricks 20 TD run, vs James Madison, 1/11/2020 (4&8) | Fake field goal | Jayce Gilder 2 TD from Gunner Talkington, vs E.Wash., 1/5/2019 (4&G) |
| Nick Kubitz, Towson, 9/21/2024 (Bryce LaFollette) | Blocked a punt | Jayson Coley, at Murray State, 10/26/2024 (Kaedin Steindorf) |
| Kody Huisman, at Murray State, 10/24/2024 (James London 51) | Blocked a field goal | Jarod DePriest, at S.Dakota St., 11/4/2023 (Griffin Crosa 37) |
| Kody Huisman, South Dakota St., 10/19/2024 (Hunter Dustman) | Blocked a PAT kick | Ryan Van Marel, at S.Dakota St., 11/4/2023 (Griffin Crosa) |

EXTRA POINTS

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| Griffin Crosa, at South Dakota State, 11/4/2023 (blocked) | PAT kick failed | Hunter Dustman, South Dakota State, 10/19/2024 (blocked) |
| Hunter Luepke, East Tennessee State, 12/11/2021 | Rush failed | Travis Theis, at South Dakota, 11/23/2024 |
| Cole Payton, NC A&T, 9/10/2022 | Rush conversion | Breylin Smith, Central Arkansas, 10/3/2020 |
| Cam Miller, South Dakota State, 10/19/2024 | Pass failed | Aidan Bouman, at South Dakota, 11/23/2024 |
| Bryce Lance from Cam Miller, at ETSU, 9/14/2024 | Pass conversion | Ryan Loneragan from Tommy Mellott, vs Montana State, 1/6/2025 |
| Kevin Best, Minn. St. Moorhead, 9/11/1999 (Chad Simmers block) | Defensive PAT | Joe Guerenzo, St. Cloud State, 10/10/1992 (blocked kick) |

SCORING

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|--|------------------------|---|
| Jackson Williams (67), Towson, 9/21/2024 | Punt return TD | Carter Bell (47), South Dakota, 11/20/2021 |
| Jackson Williams (100), Abilene Christian, 12/7/2024 | Kickoff return TD | Luke Skokna (100), at North Dakota, 10/14/2023 |
| Logan Kopp (31), Abilene Christian, 12/7/2024 | Interception return TD | Corbin Walker (58), Montana, 12/3/2022 |
| Kelton McCaslin (5), Drake, 11/25/2023 | Fumble return TD | Dan DelGrosso (29), vs Butler, 8/31/2019 |
| Destin Talbert (56), Drake, 9/3/2022 (Jake Kava block) | Blocked FG return TD | Unknown |
| TEAM, at Towson, 9/18/2021 (intentional grounding in end zone) | Safety | TEAM, Incarnate Word, 12/16/2022 (TK Marshall rush minus-2) |
| Dawson Weber, at South Dakota State, 11/6/2021 | Safety (by player) | Cameron Price, Missouri State, 9/30/2017 |
| Jake Lippe (37) from Zeb Noland, at Southern Illinois, 2/27/2021 | Hail Mary TD | Unknown |

MISCELLANEOUS

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| Back-to-back interceptions: 1/5/2019 vs Eastern Washington, Eric Barriere by NDSU's James Hendricks then Easton Stick by EWU's D'londo Tucker | | |
| Back-to-back kickoff return TDs: 10/26/2013 at Indiana State, ISU's LeMonte Booker (97) then NDSU's Ryan Smith (100) | | |
| NDSU player back-to-back 100-yard rushing games: CharMar Brown, 11/2/2024, Northern Iowa (124); 11/16/2024, Missouri State (113) | | |
| NDSU QB back-to-back 100-yard rushing games: Cole Payton, 9/2/2023, vs Eastern Washington (104); 9/9/2023, Maine (102) | | |
| NDSU player three straight 100-yard rushing games: Lance Dunn, 9/2/2017, MVSU (142); 9/9/2017, at EWU (148); 9/23/2017, Robert Morris (111) | | |
| NDSU QB three straight 100-yard rushing games: Chris Simdorn, 9/24/1988, Augustana (210); 10/1, at Morningside (147); 10/8, St. Cloud State (155) | | |
| NDSU player 100 yards rushing & passing in same game: Cole Payton, 8/30/2025, at Citadel (101 rushing, 192 passing) | | |
| NDSU player 100 yards rushing & receiving in same game: DJ McNorton, 11/27/2010, Robert Morris (110 rushing, 110 receiving) | | |
| NDSU player led team in rushing & receiving yards in same game: Hunter Luepke, 9/17/2022, at Arizona (115 rushing, 65 receiving) | | |
| NDSU player kickoff return TD and rushing TD in same game: Kobe Johnson, at Youngstown State, 11/2/2019 | | |
| NDSU player kickoff return TD and receiving TD in same game: Ryan Smith, at Indiana State, 10/26/2013 | | |
| NDSU player punt return TD and rushing TD in same game: Tony Satter, Northern Michigan, 9/9/1989 | | |
| NDSU player punt return TD and receiving TD in same game: Ryan Smith, Youngstown State, 10/6/2012 | | |
| NDSU player kickoff return TD and punt return TD in same game: Never | | |
| NDSU player rushing, receiving and return TD in same game: Never | | |
| Opponent player rushing, receiving and return TD in same game: Luke Skokna, at North Dakota, 10/4/2023 (100 KR, 13 pass, 4 rush) | | |