

SAINT JOHN'S JOHNNIES

OFFICIAL 2021 SAINT JOHN'S UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL GAME INFORMATION

4-Time National Champions • 1963, 1965, 1976, 2003

35 MIAC Titles • 31 Postseason Appearances

No. 5 SAINT JOHN'S UNIVERSITY (11-0 OVERALL, 8-0 MIAC)

vs. No. 6/7 LINFIELD UNIVERSITY (10-0 OVERALL, 7-0 NWC)

NCAA Second Round | Saturday, November 27, 2021; 12 p.m. | Clemens Stadium (cap. 8,500); Collegeville, Minn.



Nickname: Johnnies

Location: Collegeville, Minn.

Founded: 1857

Enrollment: 1,546

School Colors: Cardinal and Blue

Conference: Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic (MIAC)

President: Dr. James Mullen

Athletic Director: Bob Alpers '82

Home Field (Capacity): Clemens Stadium (8,500)

Head Coach: Gary Fasching '81

SJU Record: 80-14 (Ninth season)

Overall Record: 80-14 (Ninth season)

Record vs. Linfield: 0-0



Nickname: Wildcats

Location: McMinnville, Ore.

Founded: 1858

Enrollment: 1,683

School Colors: Purple and Cardinal

Conference: Northwest Conference

President: Dr. Miles K. Davis

Athletic Director: Dr. Garry Killgore

Home Field (Capacity): Maxwell Field (4,000)

Head Coach: Joseph Smith

Linfield Record: 137-26 (16th season)

Overall Record: 137-26 (16th season)

Record vs. Saint John's: 0-0

SATURDAY'S NCAA SECOND-ROUND MATCHUP

Saint John's took advantage of short fields and a number of No. 22/24 Lake Forest miscues en route to a 41-14 win in the first round of the NCAA Division III Playoffs last Saturday (Nov. 20) in Collegeville. Senior running back **Devin Vouk** rushed for a career-high 143 yards and two touchdowns, and caught a 16-yard touchdown pass from senior quarterback **Chris Backes**. Backes finished with 120 yards passing and four touchdowns. The Johnnies outgained the Foresters by a 286-164 margin, blocked two punts and an extra point, and held the visitors to 3-for-14 on third down. Linfield scored 37 straight points in a 44-10 home win over No. 25 Redlands (Calif.) last weekend. The Wildcats outgained the Bulldogs 437-200 and were led by senior quarterback Wyatt Smith, who finished 25 of 35 passing for 337 yards and four touchdowns. He also rushed for another score. A pair of sophomore receivers, Devon Murray (five catches for 114 yards and two touchdowns) and Colton Smith (six catches for 109 yards and a touchdown), combined for 223 yards and three touchdowns.

THE JOHNNIE RADIO NETWORK, AN HOUR EARLIER

Saturday's game can be heard live on WBHR-660 AM across central Minnesota, KDIZ-1570 AM in the Twin Cities and KOWZ-1170 AM in Waseca, which covers most of southern Minnesota and into western Wisconsin. Mark Lewandowski, Bryan Backes, Mike Carr and Charlie Carr will call the action, beginning with Johnnies Magazine at 10 a.m. and the pre-game show at 10:30 a.m. The game will also be broadcast on the SJU football website via Stretch Internet. This is the 24th season SJU football can be heard worldwide over the internet.



NEW SCOREBOARD WITHIN CLEMENS STADIUM

A new, state-of-the-art Formetco video scoreboard was installed in Clemens Stadium in early August. The high-definition, LED scoreboard – which is situated just in front of the southeast hillside – can display live footage from the football field and stands, as well as replays and recorded content.

The approximately 30 feet by 50 feet (1,400 square feet) scoreboard is a gift from the Sexton Family Foundation in recognition of legendary SJU head coach **John Gagliardi**, the winningest coach in college football history with 489 career victories. The new scoreboard features a single-point sound system on top and is slightly larger than the videoboard at CHS Field in St. Paul (home of the St. Paul Saints), which is slightly under 27 feet by 49 feet (1,300 square feet). The task of operating the scoreboard will be part of the new Go Johnnies Network, which oversees live video streaming, the mobile app and more.

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2021 STATISTICAL COMPARISONS

Linfield (NCAA/NWC)		Saint John's (NCAA/MIAC)
51.9 (3rd/1st)	Scoring Offense	46.0 (10th/1st)
11.5 (14th/1st)	Scoring Defense	11.3 (11th/1st)
503.4 (9th/1st)	Total Offense	464.2 (17th/1st)
206.3 (2nd/1st)	Total Defense	243.3 (16th/1st)
31:19	Avg. Time of Possession	32:04
PASSING		
323.7 (9th/1st)	Passing Offense	262.7 (45th/2nd)
155.0 (18th/1st)	Passing Defense	154.9 (21st/1st)
40	Passing TD's	34
8	Passing TD's Allowed	14
169.5 (14th/1st)	Pass Efficiency	172.5 (10th/1st)
94.9 (13th/2nd)	Pass-Efficiency Defense	104.9 (37th/1st)
RUSHING		
179.7 (56th/1st)	Rushing Offense	201.5 (35th/1st)
51.3 (4th/1st)	Rushing Defense	88.4 (31st/1st)
28	Rushing TD's	34
7	Rushing TD's Allowed	2
DEFENSE		
44	Sacks (Total)	30
90	Tackles For Loss (Total)	85
SPECIAL TEAMS		
25 (32.9)	Punts (Avg.)	25 (38.7)
21 (21.2)	Kick Returns (Avg.)	20 (17.9)
46 (8.1)	Punt Returns (Avg.)	29 (5.9)
42.0	Kickoff Coverage (Net Avg.)	40.1
TURNOVERS		
+2 (14/12)	Turnover Margin	+9 (23/14)
10	Interceptions	13
6	Interceptions Thrown	10
4	Fumbles Gained (Defensive)	10
6	Fumbles Lost	4
MISCELLANEOUS		
83.6% (51-61)	Red-Zone Offense	90.5% (57-63)
78.9% (15-19)	Red-Zone Defense	45.8% (11-24)
48.5% (64-132)	3rd-Down Offense	45.5% (50-110)
20.1% (30-149)	3rd-Down Defense	28.5% (41-144)
1,682 (6 games)	Avg. Home Attendance	7,081 (7 games)

2021 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Saint John's (11-0, 8-0 MIAC)

Sept. 4	AURORA, Ill.	W, 39-33
Sept. 18	MARTIN LUTHER	W, 55-7
Sept. 25	BETHEL*	W, 31-25
Oct. 2	at Concordia*	W, 49-0
Oct. 9	AUGSBURG* (Homecoming)	W, 50-0
Oct. 16	ST. OLAF** (Family Weekend)	W, 56-0
Oct. 23	at Gustavus Adolphus*^	W, 37-7
Oct. 30	ST. SCHOLASTICA**	W, 81-0
Nov. 6	at Carleton*^	W, 38-10
Nov. 13	at Bethel**	W, 29-28
Nov. 20	LAKE FOREST, Ill. (NCAA First Round)	W, 41-14
Nov. 20	LINFIELD, ORE. (NCAA Second Round)	12 p.m.

^ denotes an MIAC Northwoods Division game

MIAC Championship Week

Linfield (10-0, 7-0 NWC)

Sept. 11	SIMON FRASER, B.C.	W, 56-10
Sept. 18	at Redlands, Calif.	W, 51-10
Oct. 2	at Puget Sound, Wash.*	W, 56-7
Oct. 9	WHITWORTH, Wash.*	W, 42-7
Oct. 16	PACIFIC, Ore.*	W, 52-23
Oct. 23	at Pacific Lutheran, Wash.*	W, 52-7
Oct. 30	GEORGE FOX, Ore.*	W, 38-7
Nov. 6	at Willamette, Ore.*	W, 77-7
Nov. 13	LEWIS & CLARK, Ore.*	W, 51-17
Nov. 20	REDLANDS, Calif. (NCAA Second Round)	W, 44-10
Nov. 27	at Saint John's (NCAA Second Round)	12 p.m.

Saint John's Football History

*thru Nov. 20

First Season	1900 (110th season)
All-Time Record	664-251-24 (.720)
All-Time MIAC Record	480-179-22 (.721)
All-Time Home Record	351-98-13 (.774)
All-Time Postseason Record	48-25 (.658)
NCAA Postseason Record	43-24 (.642)
All-Americans	140
Academic All-Americans	31
All-MIAC First-Team Selections	429

4 National Championships

1963 (NAIA), 1965 (NAIA), 1976, 2003

35 MIAC Championships

1932, 1935, 1936, 1938, 1953, 1962, 1963, 1965, 1971, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1979, 1982, 1985, 1989, 1991, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2014, 2018, 2019, 2021

31 Postseason Appearances

1963, 1965, 1969, 1976, 1977, 1982, 1985, 1987, 1989, 1991, 1993, 1994, 1996, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021

27 NCAA Playoff Appearances

1976, 1977, 1985, 1987, 1989, 1991, 1993, 1994, 1996, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021

11 Undefeated Seasons

1901, 1905, 1906, 1932, 1935, 1944, 1962, 1963, 1965, 1976, 2003

24 Seasons of 10+ Wins

1963, 1965, 1976, 1989, 1991, 1993, 1994, 1996, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2021

CLEMENS STADIUM

Surface	Sprinturf (Artificial Grass)
Capacity	8,500
Opening Date	Saint John's Field (1908) Clemens Stadium (1997)
Last Turf Renovation	2012
All-Time Record	344-95-13 (.775)
Largest Crowd	17,327 Sept. 26, 2015 vs. St. Thomas

NEW GO JOHNNIES APP FOR MOBILE USERS

The Saint John's athletic department launched the Go Johnnies App in August, which is compatible with both iOS and Android devices. To download the app, visit the Apple App Store or Google Play, or search "Go Johnnies" in your device's app store. The new app provides Johnnie fans with a way to experience Saint John's Athletics throughout the year with features that include:

- Customizable push notifications for each of SJU's 11 varsity sports.
- Ability to purchase digital tickets for home SJU football and basketball games.
- Access to the Go Johnnies Network's live video streams, live stats and WBHR-660 AM The Bear's radio broadcasts.
- Exclusive promotions for upcoming events.
- Official rosters, stats and schedules.

Johnnie fans may purchase tickets and merchandise from the app, and can favorite their preferred sports to receive notifications for those specific SJU teams. CSB/SJU students can access their digital ticket for free admission to SJU basketball, football and hockey games. The Go Johnnies App is presented by Central Minnesota Federal Credit Union and is a collaboration between SJU's athletic media relations and sports marketing departments, and From Now On, a fan-engagement software and analytics company (FanX).

FASCHING IN COVID PROTOCOL, HAUGEN ACTING HEAD COACH

Saint John's announced on Monday (Nov. 22) that head coach **Gary Fasching** '81 had tested positive for the COVID-19 virus and was following required protocol. Defensive coordinator **Jerry Haugen** '76, a 46-year assistant coach with the program and the Johnnies' head baseball coach since 1978, will serve as SJU's acting head coach ahead of this Saturday's NCAA Division III second-round game against No. 6 Linfield (Ore.) in Collegeville. Fasching, who has been fully vaccinated since April, will return to the SJU sidelines as soon as he clears COVID-19 protocols.

NO STRANGER TO THE POSTSEASON

Which Johnnie has been part of each NCAA postseason appearance, dating back to 1976? The answer is **Jerry**



Haugen, who is in his 46th season on the Johnnies' coaching staff. He has coached in 67 NCAA postseason football games, which accounts for six additional seasons in playoff games alone. The Johnnies have posted a 403-94-5 (.808) overall record and a 305-59-4 (.834) MIAC record with Haugen as a defensive coach. Since 1978, his defense has finished in the top two of the MIAC in total defense 24 times, including 14 of the past 19 seasons, and in scoring defense 29 times, including 21 of the past 25 seasons. As a player (*left*), Haugen was a four-year starter and gained All-MIAC honors as a defensive back in 1975. He ranks second on the school's career interception list with 15 (first place without postseason games).

A LOT OF GAMES, A LOT OF WINS

The Johnnies' NCAA second-round win in 2018 was also the 380th with **Jerry Haugen** as an assistant football coach at SJU. The late Bobby Bowden, a member of the College Football Hall of Fame and long-time head coach at Florida State (1976-2009), has the fourth-most wins in college football history with a 377-129-4 record. All told, Haugen has been a part of 1,548 wins (2,519 games) at SJU as a player and coach across four different sports, as well as 36 conference championships (including four MIAC Playoff titles in baseball) and 42 postseason appearances.

<i>Sport</i>	<i>Record</i>	<i>Years (Seasons)</i>	<i>MIAC/Nat'l</i>
Football (Assistant Coach)	403-94-5	1976-current (46)	24/28
Football (Player)	26-9-1	1972-75 (4)	2/0
Baseball (Head Coach)	888-671-5	1978-current (44)	7/6
Baseball (Player)	44-43	1973-76 (4)	1/2
Hockey (Head Coach)	40-64-3	1977-81 (4)	0/0
Basketball (Assistant Coach)	147-76	1981-89 (8)	2/6
Total	1,548-957-14 (.617)		36/42

DEVIN HAD A DAY

Senior running back **Devin Vouk** (*right*; Sartell, Minn./Sartell-St. Stephen) carried the ball 17 times for a career-high 143 yards and two touchdowns, in addition to a 16-yard touchdown reception and two-point conversion, in the Johnnies' 41-14 win over Lake Forest (Ill.) last Saturday in Collegeville. He has played all 11 games this fall and has 558 yards and nine touchdowns on 100 carries in his first season as a Johnnie. Vouk transferred to SJU from nearby Division II St. Cloud State after the Huskies cut the football program following the 2019 season. The 143-yard rushing performance was the first 100-yard game by a Johnnie in the postseason since Dusty Krueger '18 (119 yards on 15 carries) on Nov. 18, 2017, at North Central (Ill.) and the most since Sam Sura '16 rumbled to 147 yards and three touchdowns on 28 carries against St. Scholastica on Nov. 22, 2014, in Collegeville.



WOZNIAK ON THE ATTACK

Junior defensive lineman **Michael Wozniak** (right, New Hope, Minn./Robbinsdale Armstrong) led the Johnnies' defense with career highs in tackles for loss (4.5) and sacks (2.5) in last Saturday's first-round win. He returned this year after suffering a season-ending hand injury on the first defensive play of the 2019 season - a tackle for loss - at Wisconsin-Stout. Saturday's totals were the most by a Johnnie in a postseason game since Kevin McNamara '07 totaled 8.5 tackles for loss and 7.5 sacks in a 62-3 win over another member of the Midwest Conference, Monmouth (Ill.) in the first round of the 2005 NCAA Playoffs. The 7.5 sacks are still an NCAA record, across all divisions of college football, while the 8.5 tackles for loss were a record at the time but have since been surpassed.



A 4-TOUCHDOWN DAY FOR BACKES



Senior quarterback **Chris Backes** (St. Cloud, Minn./Tech) ended the day 10 of 18 passing for 120 yards and four touchdowns in last Saturday's win over Lake Forest (Ill.). The four-touchdown game was his second in four starts. Backes has certainly made the most of his opportunity as SJU's starting quarterback by passing for 11 touchdowns and 669 yards with a .607 completion percentage (54-for-89) over the Johnnies' last four games. He became the first Johnnie quarterback to rush for over 100 yards in a game as he led

SJU to the MIAC title Nov. 13 at Bethel. Overall, Backes is 78 of 113 for 946 yards and 15 touchdowns - a pass-efficiency rating of 179.6 - this fall.

SERIES HISTORY

Saturday's game is the fourth meeting between SJU and Linfield. The Johnnies are 3-0 all-time against the Wildcats, though the series' last meeting occurred in 2003 (a 31-25 SJU home win in the 2003 Division III quarterfinals). SJU won the first meeting, 33-0, for the 1965 NAIA national championship and the second meeting was a 21-14 victory, John Gagliardi's 400th, in the 2002 NCAA quarterfinals.

SERIES NOTES

SJU vs. NWC Schools

Series Record: SJU leads, 9-1 (Current Streak: SJU, 6)

at Saint John's: SJU leads, 3-0 (Current Streak: SJU, 3)

at NWC: SJU, 4-1 (Current Streak: SJU, 3)

Neutral: SJU, 2-0 (Current Streak: SJU, 2)

Last Saint John's Win: vs. Whitworth, Wash.; Nov. 24, 2018 (45-24)

Last NWC Win: vs. Pacific Lutheran, Wash.; Dec. 4, 1999 (19-9)

Largest Margin of a Saint John's Victory: 33 (33-0 vs. Linfield, Ore., Dec. 11, 1965)

Largest Margin of an NWC Victory: 10 (19-9 at Pacific Lutheran, Wash.; Dec. 4, 1999)

FIRST-ROUND SUCCESS CONTINUES

Saint John's is now 48-25 (.658) all-time in postseason games, including a 43-24 record in the NCAA Division III Playoffs and a 25-5 (.833) mark in Collegeville (5-0 in second-round games). The Johnnies have won 16 of their last 17 NCAA Playoff games at home and are 20-4 in the first round overall.

ALL ABOUT LINFIELD

Founded in 1858, a year after Saint John's, Linfield traces its history back to the earliest days of Oregon Territory. The Oregon Territorial Legislature chartered the Baptist College at McMinnville in 1858, which later became McMinnville College. In 1922, the name was changed to Linfield College in memory of a Baptist minister, the Rev. George Fisher Linfield whose widow, Frances Eleanor Ross Linfield, gave a substantial donation to the college to promote Christian education and as a memorial to her late husband. Mrs. Linfield served as Dean of Women from 1921 to 1928, and sat on the Board of Directors from 1922 to her death in 1940. Linfield, which also has a campus in Portland and an adult-degree program online and in eight communities throughout the state, officially changed its name from College to University in July 2020.

SCOUTING THE WILDCATS

Linfield landed a program-record 22 players on the 2021 All-NWC football team, including seven on both the first-team offense and defense, and took home the top individual honors. Senior quarterback Wyatt Smith was named the NWC Offensive Player of the Year for the second consecutive season, senior defensive end Travis Swanson was the NWC Defensive Player of the Year, wide receiver Joel Valadez was the NWC Freshman of the Year and Joseph Smith collected his 11th NWC Coach of the Year honor in 15 seasons. A finalist for the 2019 Gagliardi Trophy, Wyatt Smith was named a semifinalist for the 2021 award Nov. 23. The Wildcats won their 43rd NWC title by out-scoring the opposition 368-75 in seven conference games.

All-Time Series vs. NWC

LINFIELD, Ore. (3-0)

Year	Result	Date	Location
1965*	SJU, 33-0	Dec. 11	Augusta, Ga.
2002*	SJU, 21-14	Dec. 7	McMinnville, Ore.
2003*	SJU, 31-25	Dec. 6	Collegeville

PACIFIC LUTHERAN, Wash. (3-1)

Year	Result	Date	Location
1998*	SJU, 33-20	Nov. 21	Collegeville
1999*	PLU, 19-9	Dec. 4	Collegeville
2000*	SJU, 28-21 (OT)	Nov. 25	Tacoma, Wash.
2001*	SJU, 31-6	Dec. 1	Fargo, N.D.

WHITWORTH, Wash. (3-0)

Year	Result	Date	Location
1975	SJU, 7-3	Oct. 25	Spokane, Wash.
2006*	SJU, 21-3	Nov. 25	Spokane, Wash.
2018*	SJU, 45-24	Nov. 24	Collegeville

*denotes a postseason game

JOHNNIES SWEEP MIAC AWARDS, 11 ON FIRST TEAM

Nineteen Johnnies earned All-MIAC honors, including 11 on the first team, and SJU swept all three major conference awards when the 2021 honors were announced on Tuesday (Nov. 23).



Senior wide receiver **Ravi Alston** (Lake Elsinore, Calif./Vista Murrieta) was named the Jim Christopherson MIAC Most Valuable Player, senior defensive lineman **Seth Morem** (left, Red Wing, Minn.) shared the MIAC's Mike Stam Award with Gustavus Adolphus' Zach Jakes as the conference's most outstanding lineman, and head coach **Gary Fasching** was named the MIAC John Gagliardi Coach of the Year for the fourth consecutive season, and fifth time in his nine-year tenure.

Alston is the 21st Johnnie in the program history to be named the MIAC's Most Valuable Player and the first Johnnie receiver since Blake Elliott '03 in 2002 and 2003. Morem, meanwhile, is the 10th Johnnie in to win the MIAC's Mike Stam Award and third consecutive (tackle Ben Bartch '20 in 2019 and defensive lineman Nathan Brinker '19 in 2018).

Alston, Morem, junior linebacker **Erik Bjork** (Mahtomedi, Minn.), senior defensive lineman **Metorah Faoliu** (Wildomar, Calif./Vista Murrieta), senior tackle **Tyler Johnson** (Willmar, Minn.), senior linebacker **Kyle Kornovich** (Rogers, Minn.), junior tight end **Alex Larson** (Woodbury, Minn./East Ridge), senior wide receiver **Matt Mohr** (Chisago City, Minn./Chisago Lakes), senior center **Nick Neumann** (Inver Grove Heights, Minn./Cretin-Derham Hall), senior running back **Henry Trost** (Lindstrom, Minn./Chisago Lakes) and junior defensive lineman **Michael Wozniak** were named to the first team.

Sophomore wide receiver **Jimmy Buck** (Orono, Minn.), senior defensive back **Tommy Deters** (Maple Plain, Minn./Orono), junior offensive lineman **T.J. Duerr** (Buffalo, Minn./St. Michael-Albertville), senior defensive lineman **Collin Franz** (Otsego, Minn./Rogers) and junior defensive back **Ethan Stark** (Sartell, Minn./Sartell-St. Stephen) were named to the All-MIAC second team.

Senior guard **Jarod Fike** (White Bear Lake, Minn.), freshman kicker **Conor Pavelko** (Sioux Falls, S.D./O'Gorman) and senior running back **Devin Vouk** were All-MIAC honorable mention. Senior quarterback **Chris Backes** was named to the MIAC All-Sportsman-ship team.

RAVI IN THE RECORD BOOK

Senior wide receiver **Ravi Alston** (right) caught just two passes for a season-low 19 yards, a week after he was held to a previous-season-low 37 receiving yards on four catches at Bethel, but one of the receptions was a highlight-reel, 13-yard touchdown reception in the first quarter. Alston has 141 receptions for 2,200 yards (15.6 avg. per catch, 100.0 avg. per game) and 21 touchdowns over his last 22 games going back to 2019. He accumulated 70 receiving yards or more in 18 of those 22 games.



Alston (146 receptions/2,263 yards/21 touchdowns) in the SJU Record Book
Alston needs...

-2 touchdown receptions to tie Ben Sieben '00 and Evan Clark '17 for 10th (23) in school history

-12 receptions to pass Todd Fultz '91 for fifth (157) in school history

-95 receiving yards to pass Kyle Gearman '07 for seventh (2,357) in school history

SJU HEAD COACH **GARY FASCHING**



THE FASCHING FILE

Born	Sept. 30, 1958
Hometown	Winsted, Minn.
High School	Holy Trinity, 1977
Wife	Cindy
Children	daughters, Laura and Megan sons, Jeff, Ryan and Scott
Degrees	Social Science; Saint John's, 1981 Sports Management; St. Cloud State, 2000

DURING FASCHING'S TENURE ON STAFF

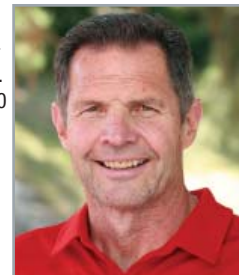
All-Americans	68 (65 football, 3 track & field)
Academic All-Americans	22
All-MIAC First-Team Selections	165
MIAC Championships	14
	1996, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2014, 2018, 2019, 2021
Postseason Appearances	19
	1996, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021

ASSISTANTS/SUPPORT STAFF

Defensive Coordinator	Jerry Haugen
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	Saint John's, 1976 (46th)
Offensive Coordinator/Receivers	Kole Heckendorf
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	North Dakota State, 2008 (9th)
Co-Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Backs	Brandon Novak
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	Saint John's, 2001 (22nd)
Recruiting Coordinator/Defensive Line	Damien Dumonceaux
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	Saint John's, 2005 (16th)
Running Backs	Josh Bungum
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	Saint John's, 2016 (6th)
Quarterbacks	Michael Orts
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	Saint John's, 2009 (9th)
Linebackers	Matt Darling
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	Saint John's, 2004 (6th)
Offensive Line (Volunteer)	Mike Magnuson
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	Saint John's, 1990 (6th)
Offensive Line	Ben Eli
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	Saint John's, 2016 (5th)
Kickers (Volunteer)	Alexi Johnson
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	Saint John's, 2017 (4th)
Defense (Volunteer)	Andy Auger
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	Saint John's, 1995 (3rd)
Defense/Diversity & Student Success	Max Jackson
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	Saint John's, 2019 (1st)
Strength & Conditioning	Justin Rost
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	Northwestern (Iowa), 2011 (9th)
Equipment Manager	Kevin Schiltz
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	Augsburg, 1993 (18th)
Assistant Equipment Manager	Jim Platten
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	Saint John's, 1974 (23rd)
Athletic Trainer	Scott Bierscheid
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	MSU-Mankato, 1992 (26th)
Athletic Media Relations Director	Ryan Klinkner
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	Saint John's, 2004 (16th)
Video	Sam Chalmers
Alma Mater, Year (Season)	Saint John's, 2021 (3rd)

FOLLOWING THE LEGEND

A 1981 SJU graduate, Fasching became the 16th head coach in the 102-year history of Saint John's University football following the 2012 season. He succeeded John Gagliardi, who announced his retirement following 60 seasons at SJU, after serving 17 seasons as an assistant football coach and recruiting coordinator at SJU. Fasching was a three-year starter for Gagliardi and the Johnnies at linebacker during the 1978 and 1980-81 seasons. A knee injury held him out of the 1979 season.



AS AN ASSISTANT

The Johnnies posted a 164-39 record (120-22 MIAC) with 10 conference titles and 12 postseason appearances (22-11 playoff record), including the 2003 national championship, 2000 national runner-up performance and four national semifinal games during his tenure as an assistant coach. He also coached SJU's throwers as an assistant track and field coach from 1996-2011.

AT ST. CLOUD CATHEDRAL

Prior to joining the Johnnies' coaching staff, Fasching served as the head football coach at St. Cloud Cathedral High School from 1986-95, where he led the Crusaders to the State Class B title in 1992 and 1993.

FASCHING'S COACHING RECORD

Year	School	Position	Record	Notes
1982	St. Cloud Cathedral	Defensive Coordinator	6-3	
1983	St. Cloud Cathedral	Defensive Coordinator	3-6	
1984	St. Cloud Cathedral	Defensive Coordinator	5-4	
1985	St. Cloud Cathedral	Defensive Coordinator	6-4	
				20-17 (.541)
1986	St. Cloud Cathedral	Head Coach	4-5	
1987	St. Cloud Cathedral	Head Coach	2-6	
1988	St. Cloud Cathedral	Head Coach	7-3	
1989	St. Cloud Cathedral	Head Coach	6-5	
1990	St. Cloud Cathedral	Head Coach	2-7	
1991	St. Cloud Cathedral	Head Coach	1-7	
1992	St. Cloud Cathedral	Head Coach	10-4	Class B State Champions
1993	St. Cloud Cathedral	Head Coach	14-0	Class B State Champions
1994	St. Cloud Cathedral	Head Coach	4-5	
1995	St. Cloud Cathedral	Head Coach	7-4	
				57-46 (.553)
1996	Saint John's	Defensive Assistant	11-1	MIAC Champions, NCAA
1997	Saint John's	Defensive Assistant	6-4	
1998	Saint John's	Defensive Assistant	11-1	MIAC Champions, NCAA
1999	Saint John's	Defensive Assistant	11-2	MIAC Champions, NCAA
2000	Saint John's	Defensive Assistant	13-2	National Runner-Up
2001	Saint John's	Defensive Assistant	11-3	MIAC Champions, NCAA
2002	Saint John's	Defensive Assistant	12-2	MIAC Champions, NCAA
2003	Saint John's	Defensive Assistant	14-0	National Champions
2004	Saint John's	Defensive Assistant	7-3	
2005	Saint John's	Defensive Assistant	11-1	MIAC Champions, NCAA
2006	Saint John's	Defensive Assistant	11-2	MIAC Champions, NCAA
2007	Saint John's	Defensive Assistant	10-2	NCAA
2008	Saint John's	Defensive Assistant	8-3	MIAC Champions, NCAA
2009	Saint John's	Defensive Assistant	10-1	MIAC Champions, NCAA
2010	Saint John's	Defensive Assistant	7-3	
2011	Saint John's	Defensive Assistant	6-4	
2012	Saint John's	Defensive Assistant	5-5	
				164-39 (.808)
2013	Saint John's	Head Coach	7-3	
2014*	Saint John's	Head Coach	10-2	MIAC Champions, NCAA
2015	Saint John's	Head Coach	10-2	NCAA
2016	Saint John's	Head Coach	10-2	NCAA
2017*	Saint John's	Head Coach	9-2	NCAA
2018*	Saint John's	Head Coach	12-1	MIAC Champions, NCAA
2019*	Saint John's	Head Coach	12-2	MIAC Champions, NCAA
2021	Saint John's	Head Coach	11-0	
				81-14 (.853)

*MIAC Coach of the Year

SJU'S RECORD UNDER HEAD COACH GARY FASCHING

Category	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2021	TOTAL
Record	7-3	10-2	10-2	10-2	9-2	12-1	12-2	11-0	81-14
MIAC	5-3	7-1	7-1	7-1	7-1	8-0	7-1	8-0	56-8
Non-Conference (Regular Season)	2-0	2-0	2-0	2-0	2-0	2-0	2-0	2-0	16-0
Postseason	---	1-1	1-1	1-1	0-1	2-1	3-1	1-0	9-6
Home	3-2	5-1	6-1	5-1	6-0	8-0	5-1	7-0	45-6
Away	4-1	5-1	4-1	5-1	3-1	3-1	6-1	4-0	34-7
Neutral	---	---	---	---	0-1	1-0	1-0	---	2-1
Ranked (AFCA/D3football.com)	2-2	7-1	10-2	10-2	9-2	12-1	12-2	11-0	73-12
vs. Ranked (AFCA/D3football.com)	1-1	2-1	2-2	1-2	1-2	2-1	4-1	4-0	17-10
Ranked vs. Ranked (AFCA/D3football.com)	---	1-1	1-2	1-2	1-2	2-1	4-1	4-0	14-9
Score First	5-1	8-0	8-0	8-0	9-1	11-0	8-2	9-0	66-4
Opponent Score First	2-2	2-2	2-2	2-2	0-1	1-1	4-0	2-0	15-10
Leading at Half	5-1	8-0	10-0	9-0	8-0	12-0	9-0	9-0	70-1
Trailing at Half	1-2	1-1	0-1	1-2	0-2	0-1	3-2	2-0	8-11
Tied at Half	1-0	1-1	0-1	---	1-0	---	---	---	3-2
Leading after Third Quarter	5-1	10-0	10-0	9-0	9-0	12-0	11-0	10-0	76-1
Trailing after Third Quarter	1-2	0-1	0-2	1-2	0-2	0-1	1-1	1-0	4-11
Tied after Third Quarter	1-0	0-1	---	---	---	---	0-1	---	1-2
Overtime	0-1	---	---	---	---	---	0-1	---	0-2
September	3-1	3-1	3-1	3-1	4-1	4-0	3-0	3-0	26-5
October	3-0	3-0	4-0	4-0	3-0	4-0	4-0	5-0	30-0
November	1-2	4-1	3-1	3-1	2-1	4-0	4-1	3-0	24-7
December	---	---	---	---	---	0-1	1-1	---	1-2
Scoring less than 20 points	2-2	0-2	0-2	0-1	1-2	0-1	2-1	---	5-11
Scoring 20+ points	5-1	10-0	10-0	10-1	8-0	12-0	10-0	11-0	76-2
Scoring 30+ points	2-0	5-0	8-0	9-0	7-0	11-0	10-1	10-0	62-1
Scoring 40+ points	---	2-0	8-0	8-0	6-0	10-0	7-0	6-0	47-0
Allowing less than 20 points	6-0	9-0	8-0	8-0	9-1	9-0	7-1	8-0	64-2
Allowing 20+ points	1-3	1-2	2-2	2-2	0-1	3-1	5-0	3-0	17-11
Allowing 30+ points	---	---	0-2	1-2	---	---	2-1	1-0	4-5
Rushing for less than 100 yards	1-1	0-1	0-2	1-1	1-1	1-1	4-1	---	8-8
Rushing for 100+ yards	6-2	10-1	10-0	9-1	8-1	11-0	8-1	11-0	73-6
Rushing for 200+ yards	2-0	7-0	8-0	7-0	6-0	5-0	3-1	6-0	44-1
Rushing for 300+ yards	---	3-0	---	2-0	3-0	2-0	---	1-0	11-0
Passing for less than 200 yards	5-2	9-2	6-0	2-1	4-2	---	---	2-0	28-7
Passing for 200+ yards	2-1	1-0	4-2	8-1	5-0	12-1	12-2	9-0	53-7
Passing for 300+ yards	---	---	---	1-0	1-0	3-1	9-2	3-0	17-3
Passing for 400+ yards	---	---	---	---	---	1-1	6-0	1-0	8-1
Totalling less than 200 yards	---	---	---	---	0-1	---	---	---	0-1
Totalling 200+ yards	7-3	10-2	10-2	10-2	9-1	12-1	12-2	11-0	81-13
Totalling 300+ yards	6-2	9-1	9-0	9-1	8-0	12-1	12-2	10-0	75-7
Totalling 400+ yards	1-0	3-0	7-0	8-0	6-0	10-1	10-1	9-0	55-2
Allowing less than 100 yards	---	---	---	3-0	3-0	1-0	---	---	7-0
Allowing less than 200 yards	---	2-0	1-0	7-0	5-0	3-0	4-0	4-0	26-0
Allowing less than 300 yards	3-1	6-0	5-0	7-0	9-0	7-0	6-1	9-0	52-2
Allowing 300+ yards	4-2	4-2	5-2	3-2	0-2	5-1	6-1	2-0	29-12
Having a 100-yard Rusher	2-0	10-0	8-0	1-1	3-1	2-0	1-1	5-0	32-3
Having 2 100-yard Rushers	---	1-0	---	---	---	1-0	---	---	2-0
Having a 100-yard Receiver	3-0	---	3-1	4-0	2-0	4-1	10-2	4-0	30-4
Having a 200-yard Receiver	---	---	---	---	---	1-0	1-0	---	2-0
Opponent 100-yard Rusher	4-0	1-1	1-2	1-2	0-1	2-0	2-0	1-0	12-6
Opponent 100-yard Receiver	2-1	3-0	4-0	2-0	1-0	3-0	3-0	3-0	21-1
No Turnovers	1-0	5-0	4-0	3-0	3-1	6-0	3-0	2-0	27-1
Less than 3 Turnovers	3-3	9-2	10-0	9-1	9-2	10-0	11-1	9-0	70-9
3+ Turnovers	4-0	1-0	0-2	1-1	---	2-1	1-1	1-0	10-5
No Takeaways	2-0	1-1	1-1	---	1-0	1-1	3-0	1-0	10-3
Less than 3 Takeaways	3-2	4-2	6-2	6-2	5-2	7-1	7-2	8-0	46-13
3+ Takeaways	4-1	6-0	4-0	4-0	4-0	5-0	5-0	3-0	35-1
30:00+ Possession	4-2	7-1	4-0	10-1	7-0	5-0	4-1	8-0	49-5
Less than 30:00 Possession	3-1	3-1	6-2	0-1	2-2	7-1	8-1	3-0	32-9

TOUCHDOWNS FROM THE TE

Junior tight end **Alex Larson** (right, Woodbury, Minn./East Ridge) caught one pass, a 20-yard touchdown, with 2:58 left in the third quarter against Lake Forest (Ill.) last weekend. He currently has 31 receptions for 445 yards and eight touchdowns in 10 games this fall. The eight touchdowns are the most by a Johnnie tight end since Nick Simon '16 scored nine in 2015 (see chart below).



Most Receiving Touchdowns by a Tight End in an SJU Season

Rk.	No.	Name	Season
1.	16	Nate Kirschner	2000
2.	13	Tom Ramboldt	1991
3.	9	Nick Simon	2015
4.	8	Alex Larson	2021
	8	Jared Streit	2018
	8	Jon Kalkbrenner	1990
	8	Mike Ramler	1989
8.	7	Jack Kemper	2019
	7	Tommy Auger	2018

TROST TOUCHDOWNS



Senior running back **Henry Trost** (left, Lindstrom, Minn./Chisago Lakes) rushed for 22 yards on four carries and left the game, to rest a nagging injury, following the Johnnies' third offensive series last Saturday. He ended the regular season 10th in NCAA Division III in scoring (11.6 ppg.), 11th in rushing touchdowns (17) and 13th in both points scored (102) and total touchdowns (17).

Trost is currently fifth in SJU history with 32 career rushing touchdowns, thanks in large part to a pair of 17-touchdown seasons in 2019 and so far in 2021 (see chart below). His 37 total touchdowns are 10th, one behind Jay Conzemius (1988-91) and Tim Schmitz (1974-77).

Trost has scored 34 touchdowns, including 30 rushing, over his last 24 games and has 1,488 rushing yards on 226 career attempts, an average of 6.6 yards per carry, and 2,081 yards from scrimmage on 263 career touches (7.9 avg.).

Most Rushing Touchdowns in SJU History

Rk.	No.	Name (Years)
1.	48	Sam Sura (2012-15)
	48	Matt Malmberg (1991-94)
3.	34	Jay Conzemius (1988-91)
4.	33	Tim Schmitz (1974-77)
5.	32	Henry Trost (2018-current)
6.	31	Chris Moore (1997-00)
	31	Jeff Norman (1974-77)
8.	30	Rick Bell (1979-82)
	30	Jim Lehman (1953-55)
10	25	Kent Crowley (1999-02)

FIVE JOHNNIES ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT



Five Johnnies were named to the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) Academic All-District VI football team Nov. 18. The honor was the third consecutive for senior running back **Henry Trost** and the second for both senior cornerback **Tommy Deters** (left) and senior offensive lineman **Tyler Johnson**. A pair of defensive linemen, senior **Collin Franz** and junior **Michael Wozniak**, earned their first Academic All-District distinction.

Nominees must be of a sophomore academic standing or better, with a 3.30 GPA or higher. The Academic All-District and All-America teams are voted on and selected by registered members of CoSIDA. The five Johnnies are now eligible for CoSIDA Academic All-America honors, which will be announced Thursday, Dec. 16.

SJU has now had 51 Academic All-District selections in the past 17 seasons.

CISNEROS EARNS MIAC ELITE 22 AWARD



Sophomore safety **Mateo Cisneros** (left; Shoreview, Minn./Mounds View) earned the MIAC's Elite 22 Award for football Nov. 24. Modeled after the NCAA Elite 90 Award, the MIAC Elite 22 Award for football is presented to the individual with the highest GPA among the student-athletes who played in the MIAC Championship game. The honoree must be a sophomore, junior or senior and in at least his second season of competition with his current team.

A biology major (pre-medicine emphasis) with a 4.0 GPA, Cisneros has played all 11 games for the Johnnies this fall, including starts in each of the last 10. He has 21 tackles (12 solo), an interception (Oct. 23 at Gustavus Adolphus) and a fumble recovery (Oct. 9 vs. Augsburg).

MIAC TITLE NO. 35

The comeback win Nov. 13 at Bethel clinched the Johnnies' MIAC-record 35th conference championship and the conference's automatic bid to the NCAA Division III Playoffs.

MIAC Titles, Won or Shared (since 1920)

School	No.	Last Title
Saint John's	35	2021
Gustavus	22	1987
St. Thomas*	21	2019
Concordia	18	2004
St. Olaf	6	1979
Bethel	5	2013
Hamline	5	1988
Minnesota-Duluth*	3	1973
Augsburg	2	1997
Carleton	2	1992
Macalester	2	1947
Saint Mary's%	1	1928

*no longer a member of the MIAC

%no longer competes in MIAC football

IN THE RED ZONE

Saint John's excelled in both ends of the red zone during the 2021 season. The Johnnies' defense has allowed points at a 45.8-percent rate (11-for-24), which is fourth-best in NCAA Division III. The offense, meanwhile, is ninth nationally at 90.5 percent (57-for-63) of its trips inside the opposition's 20-yard line (53 of 63 were touchdowns).

HAPPY AT HOME

Saint John's has a 351-98-13 all-time record (.774) at Saint John's Field/Clemens Stadium (est. 1997), including a 25-5 record (.833) in the NCAA Division III Playoffs. In its last 199 games dating back to 1987, SJU has a record of 173-26 (.869) in Collegeville. The Johnnies have won 16 of their last 17 NCAA Playoff games at home, out-scoring their opponents 688-299.

TEAM EFFICIENCY

Saint John's is currently scoring points on 53.7 percent (72 of 134) of its offensive possessions this fall, compared to the opposition's 12.7 percent (17 of 134). SJU's defense has forced 42 three-and-outs and ended opponents' drives via turnover 22 times and turnover on downs 27 more. The offense's efficiency is evident in how well it scores points on the first possession of each half. The Johnnies have scored touchdowns on six of the 11 opening drives of the game, and points (one field goal, nine touchdowns) on the first possession of the second half in 10 of the 11. Gustavus Adolphus (Oct. 23) is the only team to deny SJU points in the first series of the second half. The opposition, meanwhile, has scored two touchdowns, both by Bethel (Sept. 25 and Nov. 13), on the opening possession of the game and has been held scoreless on the first drive of the second half.

THE LAST GAME

at Saint John's 41, Lake Forest (Ill.) 14

If senior running back **Devin Vouk** felt the slightest bit nervous heading into his first playoff game as a member of the Saint John's football team last Saturday, it certainly didn't show. Vouk carried the ball 17 times for a career-high 143 yards and two touchdowns, while also hauling in a 16-yard touchdown pass, as the Johnnies rolled past Lake Forest (Ill.) 41-14 in the first round of the NCAA Division III playoffs before a crowd of 2,833 on a sunny Saturday (Nov. 20), in Clemens Stadium.

Starting on SJU's second possession of the game — a drive kept alive by a costly roughing-the-kicker call against Lake Forest on a Johnnie punting attempt. Two plays after that call gave his team new life, Vouk rumbled 50 yards down the SJU sideline for a

Saturday's NCAA Playoff Games (all times CST)

Saint John's Bracket

Nov. 20

No. 22/24 Lake Forest (Ill.) 14 @ No. 5 Saint John's 41

No. 25 Redlands (Calif.) 10 @ No. 6/7 Linfield (Ore.) 44

No. 14/16 Trinity (Texas) 3 @ No. 2 Mary Hardin-Baylor (Texas) 13

Huntingdon (Ala.) 14 @ No. 19 Birmingham-Southern (Ala.) 24

Nov. 27

No. 6/7 Linfield (Ore.) @ No. 5 Saint John's, 12 p.m.

No. 19 Birmingham-Southern (Ala.) @ No. 2 Mary Hardin-Baylor (Texas), 12 p.m.



UW-Whitewater Bracket

Nov. 20

Greenville (Mo.) 7 @ No. 3 UW-Whitewater 69

Rose-Hulman (Ind.) 21 @ DePauw (Ind.) 26

No. 14/17 Bethel 35 @ No. 8/10 Central (Iowa) 61

No. 23 Aurora (Ill.) 31 @ No. 6/9 Wheaton (Ill.) 63

Nov. 27

DePauw (Ind.) @ No. 3 UW-Whitewater, 12 p.m.

No. 6/9 Wheaton (Ill.) @ No. 8/10 Central (Iowa), 12 p.m.

North Central Bracket

Nov. 20

Carnegie Mellon (Pa.) @ No. 1 North Central (Ill.) - Forfeit

No. 11/15 UW-La Crosse 58 @ Albion (Mich.) 23

Springfield (Mass.) 21 @ No. 12/13 Cortland State (N.Y.) 26

No. 18/20 Rensselaer (N.Y.) 20 @ Endicott (Mass.) 14

Nov. 27

No. 11/15 UW-La Crosse @ No. 1 North Central (Ill.), 12 p.m.

No. 18/20 Rensselaer (N.Y.) @ No. 12/13 Cortland State (N.Y.), 11 a.m.

Mount Union Bracket

Nov. 20

Washington & Lee (Va.) 0 @ No. 4 Mount Union (Ohio) 52

No. 16/17 Johns Hopkins (Md.) 45 @ No. 11/12 Salisbury (Md.) 20

Anna Maria (Mass.) 10 @ No. 7/9 Delaware Valley (Pa.) 62

Framingham State (Mass.) 0 @ No. 13/15 Muhlenberg (Pa.) 45

Nov. 27

No. 16/17 Johns Hopkins (Md.) @ No. 4 Mount Union (Ohio), 11 a.m.

No. 13/15 Muhlenberg (Pa.) @ No. 7/9 Delaware Valley (Pa.), 11 a.m.

SJU vs. 2021's OPPONENTS

Opponent	Result/Time	Series	First	Last	Streak
Aurora, Ill.	W, 39-33	SJU, 2-0	2019	2021	W2
Martin Luther	W, 55-7	SJU, 2-0	2018	2021	W2
Bethel	W, 31-25	SJU, 34-9	1978	2021	W8
at Concordia	W, 49-0	SJU, 47-34-6	1923	2021	W1
Augsburg	W, 50-0	SJU, 71-9-2	1926	2021	W8
St. Olaf	W, 56-0	SJU, 45-14-1	1922	2021	W8
at Gustavus Adolphus	W, 37-7	SJU, 52-32-3	1923	2021	W7
St. Scholastica	W, 81-0	SJU, 4-0	2014	2021	W4
at Carleton	W, 38-10	SJU, 38-0	1983	2021	W38
at Bethel (MIAC Champ.)	W, 29-28	SJU, 34-9	1978	2021	W8
Lake Forest, Ill.	W, 41-14	SJU, 1-0	2021	2021	W1
Linfield, Ore.	12 p.m.	SJU, 3-0	1965	2003	W3
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touchdown that put his team on top 6-0 early.

That touchdown opened the offensive floodgates as the Johnnies got three unanswered touchdown passes from senior **Chris Backes** (13 yards to senior **Ravi Alston**, 16 yards to Vouk and 27 yards to sophomore **Jimmy Buck**, right) to take a 27-0 lead with 13:13 still remaining in the first half.



Lake Forest rallied after Buck's touchdown catch, getting a safety and a 4-yard touchdown catch by junior A.J. Jackson to cut the gap to 27-8 at halftime. But Vouk scored on a 1-yard run in the third quarter and junior tight end **Alex Larson** followed with a 20-yard touchdown catch to put the game out of reach.

The Johnnies defense, meanwhile, held a Lake Forest offense that entered play averaging 392.9 yards per game in total offense, to just 164, including only 64 yards on the ground. Junior defensive lineman **Michael Wozniak** led the way, finishing with six tackles, including 4.5 for a loss, and 2.5 sacks.

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at Linfield (Ore.) 44, Redlands (Calif.) 10

First-round, playoff jitters took over the early stages as the game started with five consecutive punts, including back-to-back three-and-outs for both teams in a scoreless first quarter.

Redlands marched down the field with a 15-play third drive, but Linfield held the Bulldogs to a field goal to open the scoring at the beginning of the second quarter. The Wildcats kept pace on the following possession and then some. A 38-yard pass from senior quarterback Wyatt Smith to junior wide receiver Devon Murray set up a two-yard touchdown pass to a wide-open Joel Valadez.

Linfield had a chance to extend its lead, but an unsuccessful attempt on fourth-and-one on the Redlands two-yard line gave the Bulldogs the ball back. But the Wildcat defense had other plans as senior defensive tackle Chase Lydig sacked Redlands quarterback Nathan Martinez in the end zone for a safety.

The Linfield offense needed to capitalize on a big play by its defensive counterpart, and the 'Cats did just that as Smith found Murray in the end zone for a 12-yard touchdown to make it 16-3 at halftime.

The Wildcats forced the Bulldogs to punt on the opening drive of the second half. A bad snap on the punt attempt, however, allowed Linfield junior Connor Morton to get to Redlands punter Vicente Garcia and make a diving block. The ball was recovered by fellow junior Jett Searle. Smith threw a 41-yard bomb to an unmanned Murray for the receiver's second touchdown reception of the afternoon. Smith then scored on a seven-yard keeper for his sixth rushing touchdown of the season to make it 30-3.

A tipped pass by senior linebacker Cedric Agcoili-Ostrom was reeled in by senior defensive end Travis Swanson for his first interception of the season and second of his career. Linfield ran a trick play for its fifth touchdown of the day. Smith threw it out to the left to senior Payton Person, who completed a 13-yard pass to junior Colton Smith for the score.

The Bulldogs cut the Wildcats' lead to 27 (37-10) with their first touchdown of the game in the fourth quarter, but Linfield answered with a two-yard touchdown pass from Smith to junior tight end Franco Keplinger to end the scoring. Smith finished 25 of 35 passing for 337 yards and four touchdowns. He also rushed for another score. A pair of sophomore receivers, Devon Murray (five catches for 114 yards and two touchdowns) and Colton Smith (six catches for 109 yards and a touchdown), combined for 223 yards and three touchdowns.

THE LAST MEETING

at Saint John's 31, Linfield 25 (2003 NCAA Quarterfinals)

Saint John's wide receiver Blake Elliott '03 totaled 294 all-purpose yards, while quarterback Ryan Keating '03 ran for two touchdowns and threw for another in a 31-25 win over Linfield the last time these two programs met in the NCAA Division III quarterfinals on Dec. 6, 2003, in Clemens Stadium.

The Johnnies increased their lead when Elliott scored on a 15-yard run with 2:15 left to make the score 31-18. The Wildcats, however, drove down the field and scored on a 12-yard touchdown pass to cut the home team's lead to 31-25. The drive took all of 52 seconds and covered 80 yards in seven plays. The Johnnies recovered the onside kick but punted after three plays. Linfield took over on its 34-yard line with 41 seconds remaining, but an interception by safety Jeremy Goltz '04 at the six-yard line sealed the victory for the Johnnies.



SJU held a narrow edge in offensive yardage, 438-405, and held the Wildcats to 2-for-16 on third down. Linfield, however, was 4-for-4 on fourth down. Elliott (*left*) was held to 23 yards on four catches, but shifted to running back in the Johnnies' Casino set and carried the ball 15 times for 136 yards and one touchdown. He extended his NCAA Division III record by catching a pass in his 45th consecutive game.

Punter Charlie Carr '03 had five punts for an average of 32.2 yards, including a 56-yarder on a bad snap with Linfield leading 18-17 in the third quarter.

D3football.com Poll (Nov. 14)

No.	School (1st-Place Votes)	Record	Votes	Prev.	Others Receiving Votes:
1.	North Central, Ill. (18)	10-0	616	1	Albion 36, Carnegie Mellon 36, Williams 23, Heidelberg 20, Baldwin Wallace 20, Union 19, UW-Oshkosh 14, John Carroll 10, Hobart 4, Rose-Hulman 4, Susquehanna 4, Washington and Jefferson 4, DePauw 2, Huntingdon 2, Westminster (Pa.) 2, Merchant Marine 1.
2.	Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas (7)	10-0	597	2	
3.	UW-Whitewater	10-0	580	3	
4.	Mount Union, Ohio	10-0	548	4	
5.	Saint John's	10-0	499	5	
6.	Wheaton, Ill.	9-1	497	6	
7.	Linfield, Ore.	9-0	476	7	
8.	Central, Iowa	10-0	412	9	
9.	Delaware Valley, Pa.	10-0	406	10	
10.	Hardin-Simmons, Texas	9-1	399	8	
11.	UW-La Crosse	8-2	359	12	
12.	Salisbury, Md.	8-1	347	11	
13.	Cortland State, N.Y.	10-0	333	14	
14.	Bethel	8-2	295	13	
15.	Muhlenberg, Pa.	9-1	278	15	
16.	Trinity, Texas	9-0	265	16	
17.	Johns Hopkins, Md.	9-1	214	17	
18.	Rensselaer, N.Y.	9-1	193	21	
19.	Birmingham-Southern, Ala.	9-1	177	22	
20.	Ithaca, N.Y.	8-2	117	18	
21.	Randolph-Macon, Va.	9-1	93	24	
22.	UW-River Falls	8-2	73	---	
23.	Aurora, Ill.	8-2	55	---	
24.	Lake Forest, Ill.	10-0	50	---	
25.	Redlands, Calif.	8-1	45	---	

AFCA Poll (Nov. 15)

No.	School (1st-Place Votes)	Record	Votes	Prev.	Others Receiving Votes:
1.	North Central, Ill. (39)	10-0	1,158	1	Hobart 27, Union 26, UW-Oshkosh 19, Merchant Marine 15, Williams 15, Baldwin Wallace 11, Aurora 10, Coe 10, Westminster (Pa.) 10, Gustavus Adolphus 9, Carnegie Mellon 5, George Fox 5, John Carroll 5, Susquehanna 4, DePauw 3, Methodist 3, Ohio Wesleyan 3, Heidelberg 2, Hope 1.
2.	Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas (6)	10-0	1,117	2	
3.	UW-Whitewater (1)	10-0	1,080	3	
4.	Mount Union, Ohio (1)	10-0	1,047	4	
5.	Saint John's	10-0	974	5	
6.	Linfield, Ore.	9-0	928	6	
7.	Delaware Valley, Pa.	10-0	847	7	
8.	Hardin-Simmons, Texas	9-1	841	8	
9.	Wheaton, Ill.	9-1	796	9	
10.	Central, Iowa	10-0	792	10	
11.	Salisbury, Md.	8-1	671	11	
12.	Cortland State, N.Y.	10-0	640	13	
13.	Muhlenberg, Pa.	9-1	579	14	
14.	Trinity, Texas	9-0	544	15	
15.	UW-La Crosse	8-2	520	16	
16.	Johns Hopkins, Md.	9-1	436	17	
17.	Bethel	8-2	404	12	
18.	Randolph-Macon, Va.	9-1	343	19	
19.	Birmingham-Southern, Ala.	9-1	330	23	
20.	Rensselaer, N.Y.	9-1	305	24	
21.	Redlands, Calif.	8-1	225	25	
22.	Lake Forest, Ill.	10-0	145	---	
23.	Albion, Mich.	9-1	134	---	
24.	Ithaca, N.Y.	8-2	127	18	
25.	UW-River Falls	8-2	109	---	

Recent MIAC Scores/Upcoming Games

Nov. 20 (NCAA Playoffs - First Round)
No. 22/24 Lake Forest (Ill.) 14 @ No. 5 Saint John's 41
No. 14/17 Bethel 35 @ No. 8 Central (Iowa) 61

Nov. 27 (NCAA Playoffs - Second Round)
No. 6/7 Linfield (Ore.) @ No. 5 Saint John's, 12 p.m.



2021 MIAC Standings

NORTHWOODS DIVISION

	Division	PF	PA	MIAC	PF	PA	Overall	PF	PA
Saint John's	4-0	212	17	8-0	371	70	11-0	506	124
Gustavus	3-1	132	67	6-2	249	150	8-2	356	226
St. Olaf	2-2	78	113	4-4	195	259	5-5	241	312
Carleton	1-3	63	99	5-3	198	188	7-3	299	201
St. Scholastica	0-4	35	224	0-8	101	361	0-8	101	361

SKYLINE DIVISION

	Division	PF	PA	MIAC	PF	PA	Overall	PF	PA
Bethel	4-0	178	47	6-2	300	130	8-3	422	205
Concordia	3-1	135	76	3-5	190	228	4-6	277	277
Augsburg	2-2	110	148	4-4	248	275	4-6	305	341
Macalester	1-3	89	147	2-6	199	273	3-7	237	369
Hamline	0-4	57	151	2-6	140	257	4-6	224	323

NO. 1 SEED

Saint John's earned one of the four No. 1 seeds in the 2021 NCAA Division III Football playoffs, the program's fourth, and 13th in the top two, in the 25 NCAA appearances since 1985: 1991 (lost in the semifinals at Dayton, Ohio); 2003 (won the national championship); and 2009 (lost to Coe, Iowa in the first round). Turnovers spelled defeat for SJU in the previous two losses as the No. 1 seed, as the Johnnies committed 10 turnovers in a 19-7 loss to the Flyers (which went Division I in 1993) in 1991 and six miscues, two of which occurred in the red zone and were returned for touchdowns, in the 34-27 loss to the Kohawks in 2009.

A PLAYOFF REGULAR

The 2021 NCAA berth is SJU's 31st postseason appearance in program history and the 27th at the Division III level. The bid is also the seventh consecutive in nine seasons (including the 2020 non-season due to the COVID-19 pandemic) under the direction of head coach **Gary Fasching**, which broke the tie for the MIAC record held by former head coach John Gagliardi (1998-2003).

Most Consecutive Postseason Appearances in MIAC History

No.	Name	Years
7	Gary Fasching, Saint John's	2014-21
6	John Gagliardi, Saint John's	1998-2003
5	John Gagliardi, Saint John's	2005-09
4	Glenn Caruso, St. Thomas	2009-12, 2014-17

SJU IN THE NCAA DIVISION III PLAYOFFS

The 2021 postseason appearance is the Johnnies' 31st (27th at the NCAA Division III level) and seventh consecutive, which broke its own MIAC record of six straight set from 1998-2003. SJU is second in NCAA Division III history in postseason appearances and is third in playoff wins. The Johnnies made four other postseason appearances and have a 48-25 (.658) record overall: three in the NAIA (1963, 1965, 1982) and one showing at the Mineral Water Bowl (1969).

Most NCAA Division III Playoff Appearances Since 1973 (including the 2021 season)

Team	No.
1. Mount Union, Ohio	32
2. Saint John's	27
3. Washington & Jefferson, Pa.	26
4. Central, Iowa	22
5. Ithaca, N.Y.	19
Wittenberg, Ohio	19
8. UW-Whitewater	18
9. Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas*	17
10. Linfield, Ore.	16
Rowan, N.J.	16

Most NCAA Division III Playoff Wins Since 1973 (through Nov. 20)

Team	No.
1. Mount Union, Ohio	105
2. UW-Whitewater	56
3. Saint John's	43
4. Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas*	35
5. Rowan, N.J.	31
6. Wesley, Del.	30
7. Ithaca, N.Y.	28
8. Linfield, Ore.	27
9. Washington & Jefferson, Pa.	23
10. Central, Iowa	23

ANOTHER 10-WIN SEASON IN 2021

The Johnnies' 10-0 record in the 2021 regular season serves as their 24th 10-win season in program history. No other MIAC program has half of that total and four schools have yet to achieve the feat (Carleton, Hamline, Macalester and St. Olaf).

10-Win Seasons, Among MIAC Schools

School	No.	Last
Saint John's	24	2021
Concordia	7	2005
Bethel	5	2018
St. Scholastica	2	2014
Augsburg	1	1997
Gustavus	1	1987

SJU FOOTBALL, BY THE NUMBERS (entering the 2021 season)

.717 - Saint John's all-time winning percentage, the highest in NCAA Division III history and the sixth-best in all of college football (among those with 75 seasons or more).

4 - Gagliardi Trophy recipients (wide receivers Chris Palmer in 1996 and Blake Elliott in 2003, linebacker Carter Hanson in 2016 and quarterback Jackson Erdmann in 2018).

4 - National championships (1963, 1965, 1976, 2003).

7 - Undefeated and untied seasons.

9 - MIAC Mike Stam Award recipients, as the conference's most valuable lineman. Established in 1990, SJU's most recent honoree was Ben Barch '20 in 2019.

16/19 - For the 16th time in the last 19 seasons, and 21st time overall, Saint John's led NCAA Division III in on-campus football attendance in 2017. The Johnnies led Division III in total attendance (47,297) and finished second in average per game in 2018.

20 - MIAC Most Valuable Players, beginning with Jim Lehman '56 in 1955 and the most recent, Jackson Erdmann '19, in 2018.

30 - Postseason appearances, including the 1969 Mineral Water Bowl (a 21-0 win over Simpson, Iowa).

34 - MIAC championships, beginning with the first in 1932.

72 - Postseason games (47-25 record).

91 - Out of 109 seasons in which SJU has finished without a losing record. Fifteen of the 18 losing seasons occurred before 1945.

110 - The 2021 football season is the 110th at SJU.

140 - 107 Johnnies have earned All-America honors a total of 140 times.

415 - 294 Johnnies have earned All-MIAC first-team honors a total of 415 times.

472 - All-time MIAC wins, a .718 winning percentage (472-179-22 record).

653 - All-time victories, the seventh-most in NCAA Division III history. SJU is the only school in the top 10 that has played less than 120 seasons.

SJU FOOTBALL BY DECADE (thru Nov. 20)

Decade	Record (Pct.)
1900's	15-14-0 (.517)
1910's	<i>did not compete</i>
1920's	12-40-4 (.250)
1930's	45-19-7 (.683)
1940's	33-23-3 (.585)
1950's	51-27-1 (.652)
1960's	65-21-3 (.747)
1970's	70-20-2 (.772)
1980's	71-25-2 (.735)
1990's	96-17-2 (.843)
2000's	107-19-0 (.849)
2010's	88-26-0 (.772)
2020's	11-0-0 (1.000)

BEST WINNING PERCENTAGE (entering the 2021 season)

*minimum 75 seasons, all divisions of college football

Team	Div.	W	L	T	Pct.	Seasons
1. Ohio State	FBS	931	327	53	.730	131
2. Alabama	FBS	929	331	43	.729	126
Notre Dame	FBS	918	328	42	.729	131
4. Michigan	FBS	964	350	36	.727	141
5. Oklahoma	FBS	917	329	53	.726	126
6. Saint John's	III	653	251	24	.717	109
7. Texas	FBS	923	378	33	.704	128
8. Southern California	FBS	852	352	54	.699	127
9. Yale	FCS	916	380	55	.698	147
UW-Whitewater	III	615	260	21	.698	95

THE LAST TIME...

* Postseason game # Metrodome

SAINT JOHN'S Rushing

300+ Yards	Oct. 30, 2021 (371, vs. St. Scholastica)
350+ Yards	Oct. 30, 2021 (371, vs. St. Scholastica)
400+ Yards	Sept. 18, 1999 (469 vs. Macalester)
50+ Attempts	Nov. 13, 2021 (53, at Bethel)
60+ Attempts	Oct. 15, 2016 (60, vs. Carleton)
70+ Attempts	Nov. 3, 1984 (74, at Macalester)
5 Rushing TD's	Oct. 30, 2021 (5, vs. St. Scholastica)
6 Rushing TD's	Nov. 9, 2019 (6, at Hamline)
7 Rushing TD's	Nov. 4, 2017 (8, at Hamline)

Passing

300+ Yards	Oct. 16, 2021 (316, vs. St. Olaf)
400+ Yards	Oct. 2, 2021 (410, at Concordia)
500+ Yards	<i>Never</i>
40+ Attempts	Sept. 4, 2021 (41, vs. Aurora, Ill.)
50+ Attempts	Dec. 14, 2019 (50, at UW-Whitewater)*
60+ Attempts	<i>Never</i>
30+ Completions	Oct. 2, 2021 (30, at Concordia)
40+ Completions	<i>Never</i>
4 Passing TD's	Nov. 20, 2021 (4, vs. Lake Forest, Ill.)*
5 Passing TD's	Oct. 30, 2021 (5, vs. St. Scholastica)
6 Passing TD's	Sept. 28, 2019 (6, at Carleton)
7 Passing TD's	Nov. 10, 2018 (7, vs. Thomas More, Ky.)
3+ Interceptions	Nov. 2, 2019 (4, vs. Concordia)
4+ Interceptions	Nov. 2, 2019 (4, vs. Concordia)
5+ Interceptions	Oct. 28, 2000 (5, at Bethel)

Combination Offense

300-Yard Passer + 100-Yard Rusher	Nov. 2, 2019 vs. Concordia (356, Jackson Erdmann; 110, Henry Trost)
200-Yard Passer + 100-Yard Rusher + 100-Yard Receiver	Oct. 9, 2021 vs. Augsburg (207, Aaron Syverson; 107, Henry Trost; 110, Matt Mohr)
200-Yard Passer + 100-Yard Rusher	Oct. 9, 2021 vs. Augsburg (207, Aaron Syverson; 107, Henry Trost)
100-Yard Rusher + 100-Yard Receiver	Oct. 9, 2021 vs. Augsburg (207, Aaron Syverson; 110, Matt Mohr)

Total Offense

400+ Yards	Nov. 13, 2021 (410, at Bethel)
500+ Yards	Oct. 30, 2021 (643, vs. St. Scholastica)
600+ Yards	Oct. 30, 2021 (643, vs. St. Scholastica)
700+ Yards	Oct. 26, 2019 (749, at St. Olaf)
75+ Plays	Nov. 13, 2021 (81, at Bethel)
85+ Plays	Sept. 6, 2014 (89, vs. UW-River Falls)

Scoring

14 Points or Less	Sept. 7, 2019 (W, 14-7 at UW-Stout)
40+ Points	Nov. 20, 2021 (W, 41-14 vs. Lake Forest, Ill.)*
50+ Points	Oct. 30, 2021 (W, 81-0 vs. St. Scholastica)
60+ Points	Oct. 30, 2021 (W, 81-0 vs. St. Scholastica)
2-Point Conversion	Nov. 20, 2021 (W, 41-14 vs. Lake Forest, Ill.)* (Devin Vouk rush)
Opp. Scoreless	Oct. 30, 2021 (W, 81-0 vs. St. Scholastica)
Opp. Scoreless (Home)	Oct. 30, 2021 (W, 81-0 vs. St. Scholastica)
Opp. Scoreless (Road)	Oct. 2, 2021 (W, 49-0 at Concordia)
2+ Shutouts in Season	2021 (4) 49-0 (at Concordia), 50-0 (vs. Augsburg), 56-0 (vs. St. Olaf), 81-0 (vs. St. Scholastica)
3+ Shutouts in Season	2021 (4) 49-0 (at Concordia), 50-0 (vs. Augsburg), 56-0 (vs. St. Olaf), 81-0 (vs. St. Scholastica)
4+ Shutouts in Season	2021 (4) 49-0 (at Concordia), 50-0 (vs. Augsburg), 56-0 (vs. St. Olaf), 81-0 (vs. St. Scholastica)
No Opp. Off. TD	Oct. 30, 2021 (W, 81-0 vs. St. Scholastica)
No Opp. Off. TD (Home)	Oct. 30, 2021 (W, 81-0 vs. St. Scholastica)
No Opp. Off. TD (Road)	Oct. 2, 2021 (W, 49-0 at Concordia)
Allowed 30+ Points	Sept. 4, 2021 (W, 39-33 vs. Aurora, Ill.)
Allowed 40+ Points	Nov. 23, 2019 (W, 51-47 vs. Aurora, Ill.)*
Allowed 50+ Points	Oct. 1, 2011 (L, 7-63 at St. Thomas)

SJU Scoreless	Sept. 29, 1990 (L, 0-21 at Hamline)
SJU Scoreless (Home)	Nov. 4, 1978 (L, 0-17 vs. Concordia)
SJU Scoreless (Road)	Sept. 29, 1990 (L, 0-21 at Hamline)
SJU Scoreless (Neutral)	Oct. 5, 1945 (L, 0-30 vs. St. Thomas at St. Cloud)
No SJU Off. TD	Nov. 24, 2001 (W, 9-7 vs. UW-Stevens Point)*
No SJU Off. TD (Home)	Nov. 24, 2001 (W, 9-7 vs. UW-Stevens Point)*
No SJU Off. TD (Road)	Sept. 29, 1990 (L, 0-21 at Hamline)

Turnovers

No SJU Turnovers	Nov. 20, 2021 (vs. Lake Forest, Ill.)*
4+ SJU Turnovers	Nov. 2, 2019 (5, vs. Concordia)
5+ SJU Turnovers	Nov. 2, 2019 (5, vs. Concordia)
3 SJU Fumbles Lost	Nov. 5, 2016 (vs. Hamline)
4+ SJU Fumbles Lost	Sept. 29, 2018 (4, at Augsburg)
4+ Takeaways	Oct. 30, 2021 (4, vs. St. Scholastica)
5+ Takeaways	Oct. 26, 2021 (5, vs. St. Olaf)
6+ Takeaways	Oct. 13, 2018 (7, vs. St. Thomas)

Defense

50 Rush Yards or Less	Oct. 16, 2021 (50, vs. St. Olaf)
100 Pass Yards or Less	Nov. 20, 2021 (100, vs. Lake Forest, Ill.)*
100 Total Yards or Less	Nov. 3, 2018 (98, vs. Hamline)
200 Total Yards or Less	Nov. 30, 2021 (164, vs. Lake Forest, Ill.)*
4+ Interceptions	Nov. 16, 2019 (4, vs. Rose-Hulman, Ind.)
5+ Interceptions	Oct. 13, 2018 (5, vs. St. Thomas)
Scored a Safety	Nov. 4, 2017 (W, 72-6 at Hamline)

Miscellaneous

10 First Downs or Less	Sept. 23, 2017 (6, vs. St. Thomas at Target Field)
30+ First Downs	Nov. 30, 2019 (30, at Chapman, Calif.)*
No Penalties	Sept. 4, 2010 (vs. Northwestern)
10+ Penalties	Oct. 23, 2021 (13, at Gustavus Adolphus)
40:00+ of Poss.	Sept. 6, 2014 (44:10, vs. UW-River Falls)
Less Than 25:00 of Poss.	Dec. 7, 2019 (23:35, vs. Wheaton, Ill.)*
0 Punts	Sept. 29, 2018 (at Augsburg)
7+ Punts	Sept. 23, 2017 (9, vs. St. Thomas at Target Field)
10+ Punts	Dec. 2, 2000 (10, at Central, Iowa)*
Overtime Game	Nov. 2, 2019 (OT; L, 18-19 vs. Concordia)
Double-Overtime Game	Nov. 2, 2013 (2OT; L, 20-23 at Gustavus)
Triple-Overtime Game	<i>Never</i>

JOHNNIE PLAYER

Rushing

100+ Yards	Nov. 20, 2021 (143, Devin Vouk vs. Lake Forest, Ill.)*
150+ Yards	Oct. 20, 2018 (159, Henry Trost vs. St. Olaf)
200+ Yards	Oct. 17, 2015 (201, Sam Sura vs. Gustavus)
250+ Yards	Sept. 13, 2014 (281, Sam Sura at UW-Eau Claire)
Quarterback 100+ Yards	Nov. 13, 2021 (103, Chris Backes at Bethel)
30+ Carries	Nov. 7, 2015 (35, Sam Sura at Bethel)
35+ Carries	Nov. 7, 2015 (35, Sam Sura at Bethel)
40+ Carries	Nov. 8, 2014 (40, Sam Sura vs. Bethel)
3+ TD	Oct. 23, 2021 (3, Henry Trost at Gustavus Adolphus)
4+ TD	Oct. 9, 2021 (4, Henry Trost vs. Augsburg)
5+ TD	Oct. 2, 2004 (5, Corey Weber vs. Hamline)
Quarterback 3+ TD	Oct. 25, 2014 (3, Nick Martin vs. Carleton)
Quarterback 4+ TD	Nov. 20, 1976 (5, Jeff Norman vs. Augustana, Ill.)*
Quarterback 5+ TD	Nov. 20, 1976 (5, Jeff Norman vs. Augustana, Ill.)*
50-Yard Run	Nov. 20, 2021 (50, Devin Vouk vs. Lake Forest, Ill.)*
60-Yard Run	Nov. 17, 2018 (69, Henry Trost vs. Martin Luther)*
70-Yard Run	Oct. 20, 2018 (80, Henry Trost vs. St. Olaf)
80-Yard Run	Oct. 20, 2018 (80, Henry Trost vs. St. Olaf)
90-Yard Run	Sept. 27, 1980 (91, Pat Stone vs. Hamline)
2 w/100+ Yards	Oct. 20, 2018 vs. St. Olaf (159, Henry Trost; 107, Adam Essler)
2 w/2+ TD Each	Nov. 9, 2019 at Hamline (2, Dylan Cerney; 2, Kenneth Udoibok)

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Passing

300+ Yards	Dec. 14, 2019 (342, Jackson Erdmann at UW-Whitewater)*
400+ Yards	Dec. 7, 2019 (407, Jackson Erdmann at Wheaton, Ill.)*
30+ Comp.	Nov. 23, 2019 (30, Jackson Erdmann vs. Aurora, Ill.)*
50-Yard Comp.	Nov. 6, 2021 (63, Chris Backes at Carleton)
60-Yard Comp.	Nov. 6, 2021 (63, Chris Backes at Carleton)
70-Yard Comp.	Nov. 30, 2019 (70, Jackson Erdmann at Chapman, Calif.)*
4+ TD	Nov. 20, 2021 (4, Chris Backes vs. Lake Forest, Ill.)*
5+ TD	Dec. 7, 2019 (5, Jackson Erdmann at Wheaton, Ill.)*
6+ TD	Nov. 17, 2018 (6, Jackson Erdmann vs. Martin Luther)*
Non-QB Passing TD	Oct. 27, 2018 (79, Will Gillach at Concordia)

Receiving

150+ Yards	Sept. 25, 2021 (159, Ravi Alston vs. Bethel)
200+ Yards	Nov. 23, 2019 (216, Ravi Alston vs. Aurora, Ill.)*
10+ Receptions	Sept. 25, 2021 (11, Ravi Alston vs. Bethel)
15+ Receptions	Nov. 8, 2003 (15, Blake Elliott vs. Bethel)
3+ TD	Nov. 10, 2018 (4, Will Gillach vs. Thomas More, Ky.)
4+ TD	Nov. 10, 2018 (4, Will Gillach vs. Thomas More, Ky.)
2 w/100+ Yards	Dec. 7, 2019 at Wheaton, Ill.* (146, Blake Patrick; 101, Matt Mohr)
3 w/100+ Yards	Nov. 30, 2019 at Chapman, Calif.* (164, T.J. Hodge; 104, Ravi Alston; 103, Henry Trost)
2 w/2 TD Each	Dec. 7, 2019 at Wheaton, Ill.* (2, Ravi Alston; 2, Blake Patrick)

Defense

15+ Tackles	Oct. 27, 2018 (15, Nathan Brinker/Max Jackson at Concordia)
2+ Sacks	Nov. 20, 2021 (2.5, Michael Wozniak vs. Lake Forest, Ill.)*
3+ Sacks	Oct. 23, 2021 (3, Seth Morem at Gustavus Adolphus)
Fumble Return TD	Oct. 30, 2021 (3, Carter Seymour vs. St. Scholastica)
2 Fumble Return TD	Sept. 24, 1994 (10 & 24 yards, Brian Kohorst vs. Augsburg)
2 Interceptions	Sept. 7, 2019 (2, Chris Harris at UW-Stout)
3 Interceptions	Sept. 3, 2019 (3, Leonard Gutierrez vs. St. Scholastica)
4 Interceptions	Oct. 18, 2003 (4, Paul Gans vs. Augsburg)
Interception TD	Oct. 30, 2021 (36, Hillary Makori vs. St. Scholastica)
2 INT TD's, 1 Player	Nov. 20, 1999 (66 & 92, Beau LaBore vs. UW-Stevens Point)*
2 INT TD's, 2 Players	Nov. 14, 2009 vs. Carleton (36, Nate Anderson lateral from Billy Lawrence; 59, Ethan Eid)

Special Teams

Kick Return TD	Nov. 19, 2016 (82, Evan Clark vs. UW-Platteville)*
Allowed Kick Return TD	Oct. 5, 2019 (99, Le'Andre Benion vs. Augsburg)
Punt Return TD	Nov. 3, 2018 (60, Max Jackson vs. Hamline)
2 PR TD's, 1 Player	Oct. 13, 2001 (66 and 46, Blake Elliott vs. Gustavus)
2 PR TD's, 2 Players	Sept. 25, 1993 vs. St. Olaf (77, Tony Lesch; 79, Mark Smith)
Allowed Punt Return TD	Oct. 6, 2007 (75, Andrew Schmiesing vs. St. Olaf)
3 FG	Nov. 10, 2012 (3, Jimmie Mattson at Bethel)
40-Yard FG	Sept. 19, 2015 (42, Alexi Johnson at Concordia)
60-Yard Punt	Nov. 19, 2019 (60, Cole Milz vs. Rose-Hulman, Ind.)
Blocked Extra Point	Nov. 20, 2021 (Dwayne Wade Jr. vs. Lake Forest, Ill.)*
Returned PAT for 2 Points	Oct. 18, 2014 (Trevor Warner at Gustavus)
Blocked Field Goal	Sept. 28, 2019 (Collin Franz at Carleton)
Blocked Punt	Nov. 20, 2021 (2, Jaeden Frost, Godswill Pepple) vs. Lake Forest, Ill.*
FR TD & PR TD	Oct. 17, 1992 vs. Bethel (31-yard FR & 72-yard PR, John Beutz)
PR TD & INT TD	Dec. 14, 1963 vs. Prairie View A&M, Texas* (41-yard PR, Bob Spinner; 44-yard INT, John McCormick)

OPPONENT

100-Yard Receiver	Nov. 13, 2021 at Bethel (143, Joey Kidder)
100-Yard Rusher	Nov. 6, 2021 at Carleton (108, Aiden Chang)
300-Yard Passer	Sept. 4, 2021 vs. Aurora, Ill. (341, Gavin Zimelman)
Blocked Extra Point	Nov. 20, 2021 vs. Lake Forest, Ill. (Dante Esposito)*
Returned PAT for 2 Points	Nov. 2, 2019 vs. Concordia (Marshall King)
Blocked Field Goal	Oct. 9, 2021 vs. Augsburg (Lionel Gates)
Blocked Punt	Nov. 13, 2021 at Bethel (Jacob Holmen)
Blocked Punt for TD	Nov. 13, 2021 (10, David Brandt at Bethel)
Fumble Return TD	Sept. 24, 2016 (57, Anthony King-Foreman vs. St. Thomas)
Interception TD	Sept. 18, 2021 vs. Martin Luther (22, Ben Arndt)
Scored a Safety	Nov. 20, 2021 (W, 41-14 vs. Lake Forest, Ill.)*

FINAL REGIONAL RANKINGS

SJU moved up to No. 1 from No. 2 in the final NCAA Region 6 rankings, which were used by the selection committee for the final 2021 bracket. Lake Forest was ranked No. 4 in Region 5 last week (Nov. 10) and in the final list (Nov. 14).

Teams are listed below with their final Division III record (not overall record) and strength of schedule below. A plus sign signifies that the team also has a non-Division III win, while a minus sign signifies a non-Division III loss.

NCAA West Region Rankings (Nov. 14)

Rk.	School	DIII Record	SOS	Last Week
1.	Saint John's*	10-0	.635	2
2.	UW-Whitewater*	10-0	.573	1
3.	Linfield, Ore.*	8-0 +	.527	3
4.	UW-La Crosse*^	7-1 +-	.573	4
5.	Bethel*^	8-2	.570	5
6.	Redlands, Calif.*	8-1	.536	6
7.	Gustavus Adolphus	8-2	.591	7
8.	UW-River Falls	8-2	.491	---

*in NCAA Playoffs

^received an at-large berth

NATIONAL STATS

Saint John's ended the regular season in NCAA Division III's top 20, statistically, in 14 categories:

-Offense: fourth in both first downs (266) and red-zone offense (.914/53-for-58), ninth in completion percentage (.685), 10th in both passing efficiency (172.2) and scoring offense (46.5 ppg.), 13th in fewest tackles for loss allowed (3.4 tflpg.), 16th in total offense (482.5 ypg.) and 18th in fewest fumbles lost (3).

-Defense: third in red-zone defense (.435/9-for-22), 13th in scoring defense (11.0 ppg.), 18th in both defensive touchdowns (3) and fourth-down defense (.265/9-for-35), 19th in total defense (250.6 ypg.) and 20th in third-down defense (.288/38-for-130).

MIAC LEADERS

The Johnnies led the MIAC in five statistical categories in league play this fall, two on offense and three on defense: total offense (468.3 ypg., third consecutive year); scoring offense (46.4 ppg.); total defense (241.0 ypg., second straight season); passing defense (148.8 ypg., second year in a row); and scoring defense (8.8 ppg., second consecutive season). Individually, senior **Henry Trost** led the MIAC in rushing touchdowns (14) and points scored (86), while senior defensive lineman **Seth Morem** (Red Wing, Minn.) led the conference in quarterback sacks (6.5) in league games.

SJU'S WINNING TRADITION

The Johnnies' 10-0 record this season clinched the program's 53rd consecutive without a losing record. Bethel (8-2), Carleton (7-3), Gustavus Adolphus (8-2) and St. Olaf (5-5) continued their respective streaks alive in 2021 (*see the chart on p. 10*).

Consecutive Seasons

MIAC Team	Without a Losing Record
1. Saint John's	53
2. Bethel	27
3. Gustavus	8
4. St. Olaf	3
5. Carleton	1
6. Augsburg	0
Concordia	0
Hamline	0
Macalester	0
St. Scholastica	0

JOHNSON NAMED AN ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICAN

Senior offensive lineman **Tyler Johnson** (*right*) was named to the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) Academic All-America second team July 14. The Academic All-District and All-America teams are voted upon and selected by registered members of CoSIDA. The Johnnies have had 17 football Academic All-Americans in the last 17 seasons (31 overall). Johnson is a mathematics major with a 3.98 GPA and a two-time Academic All-MIAC honoree. He caught two passes, both for touchdowns, as a tight end in 2019, but put on 30 pounds and transitioned to offensive tackle for 2020-21.



BACKES NOMINATED FOR CAMPBELL TROPHY

Senior quarterback **Chris Backes** (left) was named one of the 176 semifinalists for the 2021 William V. Campbell Trophy and is a candidate for the 2021 National Football Foundation (NFF) Scholar-Athlete Awards. Backes is one of 39 football student-athletes from NCAA Division III and one of two from the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) to be nominated for the Campbell Trophy. Bethel quarterback Jaran Roste is the other. Since 1995, 20 Johnnies have been nominated for the Campbell Trophy. SJU is the lone program out of the 672 NCAA schools to have nominated a Campbell Trophy scholar-athlete each of the past 19 seasons.

Launched in 1959, the NFF National Scholar-Athlete program awards \$18,000 scholarships that can be used for the honorees' postgraduate education. SJU has produced three NFF National Scholar-Athlete Award winners: linebacker Carter Hanson '17 (2016), linebacker Matt Hawn '06 (2005) and wide receiver Chris Palmer '96 (1995).

An economics major with a 3.98 GPA, Backes was selected to the 22-man, 2020 Allstate American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) Good Works Team and earned the 2018 and 2019 MIAC Elite 22 Award for having the highest cumulative GPA among the conference's top two teams at the end of the regular season. Off the field, Backes is in his fifth year volunteering for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital as a member of the SJU football team. He was strictly a fundraiser as a freshman and sophomore (2017-18), was a board member in 2019 and is in his second season as the recruitment director (2020, 2021). Backes spearheaded SJU football's 2019 fundraising effort for St. Jude's, where the team raised over \$38,000, and visited the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Nashville in summer 2019.

Backes was a member of SJU's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) in 2019-20 and served as the organization's president in 2020-21. SJU's SAAC meets monthly to help plan events for Special Olympics and to organize fundraising efforts for Kids Fighting Hunger, SJU's annual meal-packing event during Lent. Backes also volunteered at the local No Kid Hungry meal-packing event, through Kids Fighting Hunger, at the local St. Cloud Convention Center in January 2017 and January 2020. Backes is a member of OIKOS, SJU's Economics Honor Society, which organizes several conversations on the economics of a current event or topic each semester during the academic year and regularly sponsors other events related to economics. He also volunteered at the Church of St. Joseph's (St. Joseph, Minn.) local fish fry during Lent and for its annual Thanksgiving meal in 2015, 2016 and 2017.

ALL-REGION ANCHOR

Saint John's led the West Region with a program-record eight D3football.com All-West Region honorees in 2019, ahead of Wisconsin-Whitewater (7) and Chapman, Calif. (6).

The Johnnies have had 40 All-West Region honorees over the last six seasons.

In addition to senior wide receiver **Ravi Alston**, senior center **Nick Neumann** (right; Inver Grove Heights, Minn./Cretin-Derham Hall) returns out of the eight honorees in 2021. The duo also serves as SJU's lone All-MIAC first-team returners from 2019. Neumann has started SJU's last 32 games at center and anchored an offense that finished the 2019 season second in NCAA Division III in first downs (339) and passing yards per game (371.4), and sixth in both passing efficiency (178.49) and total offense (512.9 ypg.).



WINS IN FIRST 7 SEASONS, FIRST 95 GAMES

SJU's Gary Fasching is off to the best start, in regard to wins, by any head coach in the program's history. That history includes the likes of college football's all-time wins leader, John Gagliardi. Fasching also has John's number in regard to their respective first 95 games coached at SJU.

Among SJU Football Coaches With Six Seasons Coached or More

Coach	First 7 Seasons	First 95 Games	Total at SJU
Gary Fasching	70-14 (.833)	81-14 (.853)	81-14 (.853)
John Gagliardi	38-18-1 (.675)	69-24-2 (.737)	465-132-10 (.774)
Joe Benda	29-12-7 (.677)	57-30-8 (.642)	57-32-8 (.629)

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--see chart on right--

Current Statistical Leaders

THE WILDCATS' STAT LEADERS

Rushing	Gms.	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Long
Connor McNabb	10	102	584	5.7	8	64
Connor Morton	10	94	565	6.0	6	70
Wyatt Smith	10	32	172	5.4	6	48

Passing	Gms.	Att.	Comp.	Int.	TD	Yards
Wyatt Smith	10	351	245	4	37	3,002
Dawson Lieurance	6	22	14	1	1	140

Receiving	Gms.	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Long
Joel Valadez	10	33	614	18.6	9	61
Devon Murray	10	46	612	13.3	10	48
Colton Smith	9	43	582	13.5	10	49
Connor McNabb	10	39	389	10.0	3	52

Defense	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL	Sacks	Int.
Travis Swanson	27	15	42	19.5-93	11.0-70	1-6
Ben Baxter	23	16	39	0.5-1	---	3-57
Caiden Biege-Wetherbee	21	15	36	5.0-17	---	1-0
Tyler Bergeron	28	6	34	1.5-4	---	2-14

THE JOHNNIES' STAT LEADERS

Rushing	Gms.	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Long
Henry Trost	10	126	736	5.8	17	48
Devin Vouk	11	100	558	5.6	9	50
Entebbe Bates	6	21	175	8.3	0	50
Troy Feddema	11	27	169	6.3	0	31

Passing	Gms.	Att.	Comp.	Int.	TD	Yards
Aaron Syverson	7	188	125	6	17	1,768
Chris Backes	11	113	78	2	15	946
Cooper Downs	8	19	14	2	2	176

Receiving	Gms.	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Long
Ravi Alston	10	58	819	14.1	8	63
Matt Mohr	7	32	362	11.3	2	40
Jimmy Buck	11	31	480	15.5	6	69
Alex Larson	10	31	445	14.4	8	41

Defense	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL	Sacks	Int.
Erik Bjork	33	35	68	4.5-8	---	1-3
Kyle Kornovich	30	23	53	8.5-25	2.0-10	2-51
Seth Morem	23	25	48	15.0-69	8.5-56	---
Meteoriah Faoliu	19	25	44	8.5-29	3.0-18	---

Best NCAA Division III Record, By Wins (entering the 2021 season)

Rk.	School	Yrs.	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.
1.	Mount Union, Ohio	123	813	388	38	.672
2.	Wittenberg, Ohio	126	780	363	31	.678
3.	Washington & Jefferson, Pa.	129	755	396	40	.651
4.	Widener, Pa.	138	710	432	39	.618
5.	Wabash, Ind.	133	696	392	59	.633
6.	Williams, Mass.	134	656	387	47	.623
7.	Saint John's	109	653	251	24	.717
8.	Amherst, Mass.	140	651	420	54	.603
9.	Franklin & Marshall, Pa.	132	642	499	47	.560
10.	Central, Iowa	112	633	330	26	.653

600+ WINS

The Johnnies' 2014 NCAA Division III playoff win over St. Scholastica enabled SJU to become the second college football program in Minnesota to reach 600 for its history.

--see chart on p. 12--

Active Career Leaders

Rushing Yards

1. Henry Trost (226 att.)	1,488
2. Devin Vouk (100 att.)	558
3. Chris Backes (67 att.)	311

Rushing Touchdowns

1. Henry Trost	32
2. Devin Vouk	9
3. Chris Backes	3

Passing Yards (C-A-I-TD)

1. Aaron Syverson (125-188-6-17)	1,768
2. Chris Backes (98-141-2-18)	1,228

Receptions

1. Ravi Alston	146
2. Matt Mohr	69
3. Henry Trost	37
4. Alex Larson	33

Receiving Yards

1. Ravi Alston	2,263
2. Matt Mohr	992
3. Blake Patrick	613
4. Henry Trost	593

Receiving Touchdowns

1. Ravi Alston	21
2. Alex Larson	8
3. Jimmy Buck	6
4. Blake Patrick	5
Henry Trost	5

Yards from Scrimmage (Rushing+Receiving)

1. Ravi Alston	2,263
2. Henry Trost	2,081
3. Matt Mohr	1,024
4. Blake Patrick	623

All-Purpose Yards (Rushing+Receiving+Returns)

1. Henry Trost	2,269
2. Ravi Alston	2,263
3. Matt Mohr	1,192
4. Blake Patrick	662

Tackles

1. Seth Morem	91
2. Kyle Kornovich	89
3. Erik Bjork	76
4. Metoriah Faoliu	72
5. Tommy Deters	69

Tackles for Loss

1. Seth Morem	25.0
2. Michael Wozniak	16.0
3. Metoriah Faoliu	14.0
4. Kyle Kornovich	9.0
5. Collin Franz	7.5

Sacks

1. Seth Morem	12.0
2. Michael Wozniak	9.5
3. Metoriah Faoliu	6.0

Interceptions

1. Tommy Deters	2
John Kohler	2
Kyle Kornovich	2
4. Bjork, Cisneros, Franz, Makori, Mrachek, Seymour, Stark, Theisen, Wilson Jr., Yaggie	1

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Most Wins in Minnesota College Football History (entering the 2021 season)

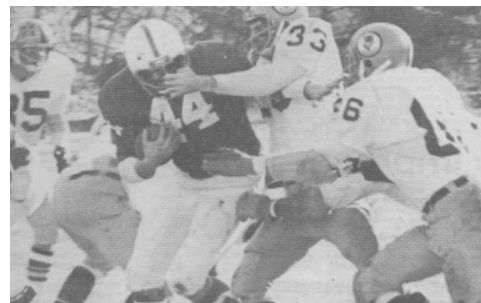
School	W	L	T	Pct.	Seasons
1. Minnesota	709	528	44	.571	137
2. Saint John's	653	251	24	.717	109
3. St. Thomas	623	350	32	.636	115
4. Concordia-Moorhead	538	308	38	.630	102
5. Minnesota-Duluth	536	273	24	.658	87
6. Gustavus Adolphus	509	363	21	.582	105
7. MSU-Mankato	481	388	27	.552	94
Carleton	481	491	25	.495	125
9. St. Olaf	465	393	20	.541	102
10. St. Cloud State	463	378	21	.549	92

On This Date in Johnnie Football History...

The Johnnies are a perfect 4-0 all-time on November 27: 1965 vs. Fairmont State, W.Va. in Bloomington, Minn. (W, 28-7); 1976 vs. Buena Vista, Iowa (W, 61-0); 1993 at UW-La Crosse (W, 47-25); and 1999 vs. Central, Iowa (W, 10-9).

1965 vs. Fairmont State, W.Va. @ Metropolitan Stadium (W, 28-7): 56 years ago, like many days near the end of November, the 15-degree weather was better-suited for hockey than it was for football in Minnesota. Stan Suchta opened the scoring with a 15-yard touchdown run in the first quarter and SJU built a 21-0 lead with two more touchdowns, a one-yard run from Joe Cronin and a 23-yard pass from Terry Hartman to Joe Mucha, in the second quarter. Fairmont State erased the shutout with a 65-yard touchdown pass before halftime and Don Nett ended the game's scoring with a two-yard run in the second half. The Johnnies advanced to the NAIA national championship game two weeks later (Dec. 11), where they blanked Linfield 33-0 for their second title in three seasons.

1976 vs. Buena Vista, Iowa (W, 61-0): The cold, November winds brought temperatures below zero in Collegeville, but they did not stop the Johnnies from dominating Buena Vista (Iowa) on this day 45 years ago. SJU set three NCAA Division III playoff records in the victory. Quarterback Jeff Norman easily surpassed the individual scoring record, thanks to 34 points the week before against Augustana (Ill.) and 13 more in the win over the Beavers. As a team, SJU broke the three-playoff-game scoring record by seven points in just two games, passing the 100-mark set by Wittenberg (Ohio) in the 1975 tournament. The Johnnie defense set the single-game, playoff record for takeaways with five interceptions and four fumble recoveries. Norman, Brad Eustice and Tim Schmitz (*right*) led the way for the Johnnie offense. Norman threw for two touchdowns and ran one in, Eustice rushed for 93 yards and two touchdowns, and Schmitz totaled 114 rushing yards and two touchdowns.



1993 at UW-La Crosse (W, 47-25): The Johnnies knocked off Wisconsin-La Crosse, the defending national champions, on this day 28 years ago. The game looked grim at first as the visiting Johnnies turned the ball over three times in the first half and La Crosse put together a 19-7 lead. The SJU defense answered the bell, forcing a fumble and back-to-back three-and-outs. The Johnnies proceeded to score four touchdowns in the final 8:05 of the first half, two each by Matt Malmberg and Ryan Murray. Quarterback Willie Seiler threw for 332 yards and broke a Division III record with six touchdown passes.

1999 vs. Central, Iowa (W, 10-9): Saint John's mustered only 147 yards of offense, but the defense intercepted three passes and held Central to three field goals for a playoff win over the Dutch on this date 22 years ago. The lone scoring play in the first half was a 21-yard field goal for Central with 13 seconds left before the break. A 42-yard field goal from Joe Rotondi tied the game, but Central answered with another field goal late in the third quarter. An interception from Brandon Novak served as the turning point for SJU, which took over on the Dutch 18-yard line. A five-yard touchdown toss from Corey Stanger to Ben Sieben in the right corner of the end zone gave the Johnnies a 10-6 lead with 12:56 remaining.

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CONTINUING TO LEAD THE MIAC

The Johnnies' 31-7 victory at Concordia-Moorhead on Nov. 12, 2016, was the program's 450th in MIAC play. SJU ended the 2021 regular season with the MIAC's best winning percentage in conference play, .721 (480-179-22), which is even better when broken down by eras: modern history, since 1946 (.777); during John Gagliardi's tenure, 1953-2012 (.780); and during the 21st century, since 2000 (.847).

All-Time MIAC Record (through the 2021 season, by winning percentage)

School	W	L	T	Pct.
1. Saint John's	480	179	22	.721
2. Concordia	416	232	18	.638
3. Gustavus	406	268	13	.600
4. Bethel	200	160	3	.555
5. St. Olaf	235	278	11	.459
6. Hamline	249	421	14	.374
7. Carleton	111	231	0	.325
8. Augsburg	180	444	13	.293
9. Macalester	143	384	25	.282

BLAKE ELLIOTT '03 ON HALL OF FAME BALLOT

Former Saint John's award-winning student-athlete Blake Elliott '03 was named to the College Football Hall of Fame ballot for the ninth consecutive year in June. Elliott, who played wide receiver for the Johnnies from 2000-03, is one of 177 former student-athletes on the ballot, including one of 99 from the NCAA divisional and NAIA ranks. The announcement of the 2022 inductees will be made in January. Those selected will be inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame during the 64th NFF Annual Awards Dinner Dec. 6, 2022, and permanently enshrined at the Chick-fil-A College Football Hall of Fame in Atlanta.

Elliott (*right*) excelled at SJU for four years and ended his career as the recipient of the Gagliardi Trophy and a national championship in 2003; a season that included Gagliardi's record-breaking 409th career victory. He owns three NCAA playoff records, two MIAC records and 29 SJU receiving records. Elliott was a three-time All-American, a two-time MIAC Player of the Year, a Gagliardi Trophy finalist as a junior in 2002 and was invited to play in both the AFCA Aztec Bowl and Hula Bowl following the 2003 season. His NCAA all-divisions record for consecutive games played with a reception (47) ended in 2008.



He ended his career second all-time in all NCAA divisions in catches (327) and second in NCAA Division III in touchdown receptions (56). Elliott posted 369 receptions for 4,826 yards and 63 touchdowns in his career, as well as 744 rushing yards and eight touchdowns on 109 carries. Elliott was just as dangerous on special teams as he was on offense, totaling 3,065 yards and seven touchdowns on 195 total returns.

To be eligible for the ballot, players must have been named a first-team All-American by a major/national selector as recognized and utilized by the NCAA for its consensus All-America teams; played their last year of intercollegiate football at least 10 years prior; played within the last 50 years and cannot be currently playing professional football. From the coaching ranks, 223 individuals have achieved Hall of Fame distinction, including SJU's John Gagliardi (Class of 2006).

LEADING THE MIAC IN ATTENDANCE

Saint John's attracted the fourth-most spectators in NCAA Division III, 29,847 over six games, in 2019. The numbers were also fourth on a per-game average (4,974). The Johnnies led Division III in total attendance with 47,297 fans the previous season in 2018. That cumulative total was greater than 98 Football Championship Subdivision teams and all but one of the 167 Division II programs (Grand Valley State's total of 67,865). SJU finished second nationally in Division III with an average of 5,912 spectators over eight games, including two in the NCAA playoffs. The Johnnies have finished in Division III's top two in per-game attendance 18 of the last 19 seasons.

2019 SJU vs. FCS/Division II in Upper Midwest Attendance

School	NCAA	Gms.	2019 Att.	Avg.
1. North Dakota State	FCS	9	156,962	17,440
2. South Dakota State	FCS	8	87,764	10,971
3. Northern Iowa	FCS	7	59,023	8,432
4. North Dakota	FCS	6	50,040	8,340
5. South Dakota	FCS	6	30,225	5,038
6. Saint John's	III	6	29,847	4,974
7. MSU-Mankato	II	6	24,792	4,132
8. Augustana (S.D.)	II	6	17,277	2,880
9. St. Cloud State	II	6	16,610	2,768
10. Northern State (S.D.)	II	6	16,057	2,676

2019 MIAC Attendance Leaders

School	Gms.	2019 Att.	Avg.
1. Saint John's	6	29,847	4,974
2. Concordia	5	17,569	3,514
3. Bethel	5	14,874	2,975
4. St. Thomas	4	8,379	2,095*
5. Gustavus Adolphus	5	10,467	2,093
6. St. Olaf	5	9,307	1,861
7. Carleton	5	6,089	1,218
8. Hamline	6	6,755	1,126
9. Augsburg	4	1,826	457

*does not include the crowd of 19,508 that attended the Johnnie-Tommie game at Allianz Field

BEST RECORD SINCE 1990, NCAA DIVISION III

The Johnnies enter the 2021 season with the third-best winning percentage (.824) in NCAA Division III football since 1990, and the third-most wins (292) during that span (among programs with 200 games played or more).

Winning Percentage (min. 200 games played)

.951	Mount Union, Ohio (401-20-1)
.858	Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas (242-40)
.824	Saint John's (292-62-1)
.817	UW-Whitewater (294-66)
.815	Linfield, Ore. (258-58-1)
.812	Washington & Jefferson, Pa. (277-64)
.811	Wittenberg, Ohio (263-61-1)
.791	Central, Iowa (253-67)
.790	Wartburg, Iowa (256-68)
.790	Wheaton, Ill. (250-66-1)

Wins

401	Mount Union, Ohio (401-20-1, .951)
294	UW-Whitewater (294-66, .817)
292	Saint John's (292-62-1, .824)
277	Washington & Jefferson, Pa. (277-64, .812)
263	Wittenberg, Ohio (263-61-1, .811)
258	Linfield, Ore. (258-58-1, .815)
256	Wartburg, Iowa (256-68, .790)
253	Central, Iowa (253-67, .791)
250	Wheaton, Ill. (250-66-1, .790)
246	Rowan, N.J. (246-90-1, .731)

NO. 18 AMONG ESPN'S TOP 50 FOOTBALL PROGRAMS

Saint John's was ranked No. 18 out of ESPN's top 50 programs over the last 150 years in August 2019. The ranking formula took into consideration a program's number of national championships and various winning percentages: dominance (best 50 seasons in program history), since integration (1969-2018), early modern (1919-1968) and pre-modern (1869-1918). ESPN noted: "It is not true that the Johnnies' late head coach, John Gagliardi, coached against Frank Leahy. But it is true that Gagliardi became head coach at Saint John's in 1953, the last season that Leahy coached at Notre Dame, and didn't retire until 2012, after 60 seasons and 465 victories. Saint John's, according to our metrics, had one of the 10 most successful programs of the past 100 years. That's another way of saying Gagliardi won 27 conference titles and four national championships."

ESPN's Top 20 College Football Programs

Rk.	Team	Div.	Rating	National Titles
1.	Alabama	FBS	74.9	15
2.	Notre Dame	FBS	72.9	13
3.	Ohio State	FBS	69.6	8
4.	Oklahoma	FBS	68.5	7
5.	Southern California	FBS	67.3	9
6.	Michigan	FBS	67.2	9
7.	Yale	FCS	66.7	18
8.	Nebraska	FBS	64.2	5
9.	Texas	FBS	64.0	4
10.	North Dakota State	FCS	63.6	15
11.	Princeton	FCS	62.8	15
12.	Penn State	FBS	61.6	4
13.	Harvard	FCS	60.8	8
14.	Tennessee	FBS	59.2	2
15.	Louisiana State	FBS	59.0	4
16.	Mount Union	III	58.7	13
17.	Miami	FBS	58.4	5
18.	Saint John's	III	58.3	4
19.	Florida State	FBS	57.4	3
20.	Auburn	FBS	56.82	2

SJU'S HEAD FOOTBALL COACHES (thru Nov. 20)

CHRONOLOGICAL

Name	Yrs. (Seasons)	Record (Pct.)
John O'Leary	1900-01 (2)	4-2-0 (.667)
Ignatius Vonderhaar	1902 (1)	0-1-0 (.000)
Peter Boquel	1903-04 (2)	3-2-0 (.600)
Harry Comeau	1905-06 (2)	3-0-0 (1.000)
Frank Cassidy	1907 (1)	1-3-0 (.250)
William Brennan	1908-09 (2)	4-6-0 (.400)
Edward Cahill	1920-21 (2)	1-6-0 (.143)
Fred Sanborn	1922-23 (2)	3-8-0 (.273)
Eugene Aldrich	1924 (1)	1-4-1 (.250)
Wilfred Houle	1925-29 (5)	7-22-3 (.266)
Joe Benda	1930-36, 1941-42, 1945-49 (14)	57-32-8 (.629)
George Durenberger	1937-40 (4)	20-10-1 (.661)
Henry Welsch	1944 (1)	1-0-1 (.750)
John McNally	1950-52 (3)	13-9-0 (.591)
John Gagliardi	1953-12 (60)	465-132-10 (.774)
Gary Fasching	2013-current (9)	81-14-0 (.853)

WINS - OVERALL

1.	John Gagliardi	465
2.	Gary Fasching	81
3.	Joe Benda	57

PCT. - OVERALL (min. 15 games)

1.	Gary Fasching	.853 (81-14)
2.	John Gagliardi	.774 (465-132-10)
3.	George Durenberger	.661 (20-10-1)

WINS - MIAC

1.	John Gagliardi	362
2.	Gary Fasching	56
3.	Joe Benda	35

PCT. - MIAC (min. 10 games)

1.	Gary Fasching	.875 (56-8)
2.	John Gagliardi	.780 (362-99-9)
3.	George Durenberger	.625 (12-7-1)

WINS - HOME

1.	John Gagliardi	241
2.	Gary Fasching	45
3.	Joe Benda	30

PCT. - HOME (min. 15 games)

1.	Gary Fasching	.882 (45-6)
2.	John Gagliardi	.818 (241-52-4)
3.	Joe Benda	.722 (30-10-5)

A JOHNNIE WITH THE JAGUARS



Offensive tackle **Ben Barch** '20 became the 10th Johnnie to be drafted in the NFL when he was selected by the Jacksonville Jaguars with the 10th pick of the fourth round (No. 116 overall) in the 2020 NFL Draft. He appeared in 13 games for the Jaguars, including one start at left guard, and totaled 219 offensive snaps (47 on special teams) in 2020.

Barch was the lone NCAA Division III attendee at the 2020 Reese's Senior Bowl in Mobile, Ala. Although he did not play in the game, Barch received rave reviews during the three days of practices leading up to the event. He attended the 2020 NFL Scouting Combine in late February, but did not participate in the drills or measurements due to the injury suffered during the final Senior Bowl practice.

A D3football.com first-team and Associated Press second-team All-American in 2019, Barch started all 14 games at left tackle in 2019. He made 27 straight starts at tackle after he switched from tight end during the 2018 preseason. Through a combination of hard work in the weight room and repeated consumption of a now-famous (or infamous) protein shake recipe (ingredients included scrambled eggs, cottage cheese, quick grits, peanut butter, bananas and Gatorade), Barch gained over 50 pounds and started on the line's left side immediately.

JOHNNIES DRAFTED INTO THE NFL

Ben Barch '20 became the 10th Johnnie to be drafted into the National Football League in April 2020.

- 1949 - End Red Maenhout, New York Bulldogs (12th round-No. 113)
- 1955 - Tackle Dick Coy, Chicago Cardinals (19th round-No. 218)
- 1957 - Guard Chuck Froehle, Baltimore Colts (19th round-No. 222)
- 1963 - Offensive tackle Tom McIntyre, Minnesota Vikings (18th round-No. 240)
- 1964 - Offensive tackle John McDowell, Green Bay Packers (9th round-No. 125)
- 1965 - Defensive tackle Paul Labinski, Minnesota Vikings (16th round-No. 219)
- 1967 - Guard Fred Cremer, Minnesota Vikings (12th round-No. 296)
- 1972 - Defensive end Steve Setzler, San Francisco 49ers (12th round-No. 304)
- 1974 - Defensive tackle Kurt Wachtler, Minnesota Vikings (15th round-No. 389)
- 2020 - Offensive tackle Ben Barch, Jacksonville Jaguars (4th round-No. 116)

2021 - TRACKING THE TURNOVERS

Takeaways (23)	Qtr.	SJU Result
FUM - Aurora, Ill. (Franz/Morem)	4th	End of Game
INT - Martin Luther (Seymour)	3rd	TD
INT - Concordia (Franz)	2nd	TD
INT - Concordia (Wilson Jr.)	4th	Punt
INT - Augsburg (Deters)	1st	INT
FUM - Augsburg (Cisneros)	1st	TD
INT - Augsburg (Kornovich)	2nd	Missed FG
FUM - Augsburg (Wozniak)	3rd	TD
INT - Augsburg (Mrachek)	4th	Punt
FUM - St. Olaf (Sanders/Wade Jr.)	1st	TD
FUM - St. Olaf (Faoliu)	2nd	TD
INT - St. Olaf (Theisen)	3rd	TD
INT - St. Olaf (Yaggie)	3rd	Punt
FUM - St. Olaf (Sutton)	4th	Punt
INT - Gustavus Adolphus (Cisneros)	4th	Punt
INT - Gustavus Adolphus (Kornovich)	4th	TD*
FUM - St. Scholastica (Franz/Seymour)	1st	TD*
FUM - St. Scholastica (Stephen/Arne)	2nd	End of Half
INT - St. Scholastica (Makori)	3rd	TD*
FUM - St. Scholastica (Holian/Roelofs)	3rd	TD
INT - Carleton (Stark)	4th	End of Game
FUM - Bethel (Wade Jr.)	4th	End of Game
INT - Lake Forest, Ill. (Bjork)	1st	TD

TOTAL: 23 takeaways for 82 points (12-for-23 scoring)

**play was returned for a touchdown*

Turnovers (14)	Qtr.	Opp. Result
INT - Aurora, Ill. (Reyna)	1st	TD
INT - Aurora, Ill. (Reyna)	2nd	TD
FUM - Martin Luther (N. Nordlie)	1st	Downs
INT - Martin Luther (B. Arndt)	2nd	TD*
INT - Bethel (Farm)	1st	Punt
INT - Concordia (Schroeder)	3rd	INT
INT - Augsburg (Kimbrough)	1st	Fumble
INT - St. Olaf (Sabatino)	2nd	Downs
FUM - Gustavus Adolphus (Schroepfer)	2nd	TD
INT - Carleton (Neithart)	2nd	Downs
INT - Carleton (Simons)	4th	TD
FUM - Carleton (Eckersley-Ray)	4th	INT
FUM - Bethel (Herron)	1st	TD
INT - Bethel (Farm)	2nd	End of Half

TOTAL: 14 turnovers for 41 points (6-for-14 scoring)

**play was returned for a touchdown*

Off Turnovers (+41, 82/41)

2021 - EXPLOSIVE PLAYS (20+ YARDS)

Player	No.	TD	R	P	KR	PR	IR	FR
Ravi Alston	10	3	--	10	--	--	--	--
Jimmy Buck	8	4	--	8	--	--	--	--
Alex Larson	8	2	--	8	--	--	--	--
Nick VanErp	7	--	--	4	3	--	--	--
Troy Feddema	6	--	2	--	4	--	--	--
Matt Mohr	5	1	--	5	--	--	--	--
Devin Vouk	4	1	4	--	--	--	--	--
Henry Trost	3	2	3	--	--	--	--	--
Tony Underwood	3	--	1	1	1	--	--	--
Entebbe Bates	2	--	2	--	--	--	--	--
Blake Patrick	2	1	--	2	--	--	--	--
Darian Washington	2	--	--	2	--	--	--	--
R.J. Altidort	1	1	--	1	--	--	--	--
Chris Backes	1	--	1	--	--	--	--	--
Alec Ganz	1	1	--	1	--	--	--	--
Kyle Kornovich	1	1	--	--	--	--	1	--
Joe Lang	1	--	--	1	--	--	--	--
Hillary Makori	1	1	--	--	--	--	1	--
Aaron Syverson	1	--	1	--	--	--	--	--
Henry Truebenbach	1	1	1	--	--	--	--	--

TOTAL: 68 (19 TD)

Rushing: 15 (4 TD)

Passing: 43 (13 TD)

Kickoff Returns: 8 (0 TD)

Punt Returns: 0 (0 TD)

Interception Returns: 2 (2 TD)

Blocked Kick/Fumble Returns: 0 (0 TD)

2021 - LONGEST PLAYS OF THE YEAR

Rush: 50, Entebbe Bates vs. Martin Luther (Sept. 18)/Devin Vouk vs. Lake Forest, Ill. (Nov. 20)*

Pass Reception: 69, Jimmy Buck from Aaron Syverson vs. Martin Luther (Sept. 18)

Kickoff Return: 34, Tony Underwood vs. Martin Luther (Sept. 18)

Punt Return: 20, Nick VanErp vs. St. Olaf (Oct. 16)

Interception Return: 68, Ethan Stark at Carleton (Nov. 6)

Blocked Kick/Fumble Return: 4, Collin Franz vs. St. Scholastica (Oct. 30)

Punt: 53, Spencer Ell at Concordia (Oct. 2)

Field Goal: 34, Conor Pavelko at Carleton (Nov. 6)

2021 - SJU's SCORING DRIVES

Team (Date)	Plays-Yds.	Span	Qtr.	Clock	Down-Dist.	Scoring Play
Aurora, Ill. (9/4/21)	5-64	1:42	1	2:39	2-3	Alex Larson 16-yard pass from Aaron Syverson (Pavelko kick)
Aurora, Ill.	8-66	3:28	2	9:56	1-G	Henry Trost 4-yard run (Pavelko kick)
Aurora, Ill.	3-46	0:55	3	12:18	2-1	Alex Larson 26-yard pass from Aaron Syverson (Pavelko kick)
Aurora, Ill.	4-59	2:07	3	1:04	2-G	Henry Trost 5-yard run (Pavelko kick)
Aurora, Ill.	13-63	5:12	4	7:41	4-G	Conor Pavelko 25-yard field goal
Aurora, Ill.	5-28	2:47	4	3:12	2-6	Devin Vouk 9-yard run (Syverson run)
Martin Luther (9/18/21)	6-50	2:54	1	11:59	1-G	Henry Trost 4-yard run (Pavelko kick)
Martin Luther	4-88	2:06	1	4:12	2-4	Jimmy Buck 69-yard pass from Aaron Syverson (Pavelko kick)
Martin Luther	1-57	0:09	2	6:56	1-10	Alec Ganz 57-yard pass from Aaron Syverson (Pavelko kick)
Martin Luther	3-45	1:00	2	3:40	1-10	Jimmy Buck 20-yard pass from Aaron Syverson (Pavelko kick)
Martin Luther	5-75	2:20	3	6:56	2-5	R.J. Altidort 16-yard pass from Aaron Syverson (Pavelko kick failed)
Martin Luther	5-24	2:00	3	1:57	2-3	Tony Underwood 6-yard run (Pavelko kick)
Martin Luther	8-71	4:37	4	6:53	4-G	Chris Backes 1-yard run (Pavelko kick)
Martin Luther	5-82	3:02	4	0:37	2-G	Todd Jager 6-yard pass from Cooper Downs (Pavelko kick)
Bethel (9/25/21)	15-77	7:31	2	4:55	3-G	Ravi Alston 12-yard pass from Aaron Syverson (Pavelko kick)
Bethel	14-58	5:54	3	9:00	4-G	Conor Pavelko 25-yard field goal
Bethel	4-31	1:06	3	6:32	2-G	Devin Vouk 4-yard run (Pavelko kick)
Bethel	7-71	3:14	3	1:15	2-G	Alex Larson 9-yard pass from Aaron Syverson (Pavelko kick)
Bethel	7-92	3:33	4	8:26	1-G	Devin Vouk 1-yard run (Pavelko kick)

2021 - SJU's SCORING DRIVES (cont.)

at Concordia (10/2/21)	11-82	2:39	1	7:50	3-12	Blake Patrick 29-yard pass from Aaron Syverson (Pavelko kick)
at Concordia	10-40	6:13	2	14:55	1-G	Devin Vouk 5-yard run (Pavelko kick)
at Concordia	1-20	0:05	2	14:10	1-10	Ravi Alston 20-yard pass from Aaron Syverson (Pavelko kick)
at Concordia	7-73	3:28	2	8:52	2-5	Alex Larson 12-yard pass from Aaron Syverson (Pavelko kick)
at Concordia	5-59	2:55	2	3:30	1-G	Aaron Syverson 2-yard run (Pavelko kick)
at Concordia	5-60	1:04	2	0:54	1-10	Jimmy Buck 22-yard pass from Aaron Syverson (Pavelko kick)
at Concordia	7-79	4:13	3	10:47	1-10	Jimmy Buck 27-yard pass from Chris Backes (Pavelko kick)
Augsburg (10/9/21)	7-74	3:03	1	11:57	1-G	Henry Trost 7-yard run (Pavelko kick)
Augsburg	4-21	1:23	1	4:36	1-G	Henry Trost 6-yard run (Pavelko kick)
Augsburg	2-39	0:50	2	7:48	2-9	Henry Trost 38-yard run (Pavelko kick)
Augsburg	4-52	1:47	2	5:53	2-G	Henry Trost 1-yard run (Pavelko kick)
Augsburg	6-47	0:44	2	0:00	1-G	Joe Lang 2-yard pass from Aaron Syverson (Trost run)
Augsburg	5-75	2:32	3	6:57	1-10	Matt Mohr 40-yard pass from Aaron Syverson (Pavelko kick)
Augsburg	10-80	5:24	4	12:55	1-G	Devin Vouk 5-yard run (Pavelko kick)
St. Olaf (10/16/21)	6-29	2:33	1	12:19	1-G	Henry Trost 2-yard run (Pavelko kick)
St. Olaf	6-57	3:17	1	8:07	1-G	Alex Larson 1-yard pass from Aaron Syverson (Pavelko kick)
St. Olaf	11-65	5:35	2	7:49	2-G	Henry Trost 1-yard run (Pavelko kick)
St. Olaf	7-90	3:09	2	2:24	1-10	Alex Larson 11-yard pass from Aaron Syverson (Pavelko kick)
St. Olaf	2-14	0:45	2	0:41	2-5	Henry Trost 9-yard run (Pavelko kick)
St. Olaf	4-69	1:42	3	13:18	1-10	Ravi Alston 17-yard pass from Aaron Syverson (Pavelko kick)
St. Olaf	4-48	1:48	3	8:58	1-G	Darian Washington 7-yard pass from Chris Backes (Pavelko kick)
St. Olaf	7-73	3:37	3	2:05	1-G	Adrian Flournoy 4-yard pass from Chris Backes (Pavelko kick)
at Gustavus Adolphus (10/23/21)	5-51	1:55	1	1:33	1-G	Henry Trost 10-yard run (Pavelko kick)
at Gustavus Adolphus	9-43	3:56	2	11:16	4-G	Conor Pavelko 23-yard field goal
at Gustavus Adolphus	4-49	2:05	3	4:57	2-6	Ravi Alston 23-yard pass from Chris Backes (Pavelko kick)
at Gustavus Adolphus	2-62	0:59	3	0:26	2-6	Henry Trost 48-yard run (Pavelko kick)
at Gustavus Adolphus	2-32	0:32	4	13:42	1-G	Henry Trost 1-yard run (Pavelko kick)
at Gustavus Adolphus	---	---	4	9:14	3-4 (Opp.)	Kyle Kornovich 50-yard interception return (Backes pass intercepted)
St. Scholastica (10/30/21)	4-60	1:54	1	12:59	2-G	Matt Mohr 1-yard pass from Chris Backes (VanErp pass failed)
St. Scholastica	7-68	2:02	1	9:46	1-G	Devin Vouk 9-yard run (Pavelko kick)
St. Scholastica	3-40	0:55	1	7:22	1-G	Joe Lang 3-yard pass from Chris Backes (Pavelko kick)
St. Scholastica	---	---	1	6:17	1-10 (Opp.)	Carter Seymour 3-yard fumble return (Pavelko kick failed)
St. Scholastica	2-30	0:39	1	4:40	1-10	Ravi Alston 19-yard pass from Chris Backes (Pavelko kick)
St. Scholastica	9-58	3:57	2	13:48	2-G	Jimmy Buck 5-yard pass from Chris Backes (Pavelko kick)
St. Scholastica	5-81	2:44	2	7:00	1-G	Carter Huberty 6-yard run (Pavelko kick)
St. Scholastica	5-94	2:07	2	3:05	1-10	R.J. Altidort 27-yard pass from Cooper Downs (Pavelko kick)
St. Scholastica	---	---	3	14:19	2-6 (Opp.)	Hillary Makori 36-yard interception return (Pavelko kick)
St. Scholastica	7-57	4:18	3	8:26	1-G	John Greenheck fumble recovery in end zone (Pavelko kick)
St. Scholastica	9-57	4:43	4	10:32	1-G	Carter Huberty 3-yard run (Marek kick)
St. Scholastica	10-89	6:21	4	3:10	2-10	Henry Truebenbach 45-yard run (Marek kick failed)
at Carleton (11/6/21)	8-75	4:04	1	10:56	1-G	Henry Trost 7-yard run (Pavelko kick)
at Carleton	1-63	0:11	1	8:55	1-10	Ravi Alston 63-yard pass from Chris Backes (Pavelko kick)
at Carleton	9-70	4:17	1	3:28	3-1	Devin Vouk 16-yard run (Pavelko kick)
at Carleton	14-65	7:15	2	6:18	4-2	Henry Trost 3-yard run (Pavelko kick)
at Carleton	5-68	1:40	3	7:02	1-G	Ravi Alston 2-yard pass from Chris Backes (Pavelko kick)
at Carleton	12-41	5:21	3	0:51	4-7	Conor Pavelko 34-yard field goal
at Bethel (11/13/21)	14-75	6:48	2	12:05	1-G	Chris Backes 1-yard run (N. VanErp run)
at Bethel	11-66	5:55	3	7:17	2-G	Henry Trost 3-yard run (Pavelko kick)
at Bethel	13-66	6:55	4	11:46	1-G	Henry Trost 1-yard run (Pavelko kick)
at Bethel	8-71	1:58	4	0:01	4-G	Alex Larson 3-yard pass from Chris Backes (Pavelko kick)
Lake Forest, Ill. (11/20/21)*	5-70	2:26	1	9:43	2-9	Devin Vouk 50-yard run (Pavelko kick blocked)
Lake Forest, Ill.*	5-22	2:57	1	5:04	3-G	Ravi Alston 13-yard pass from Chris Backes (Pavelko kick)
Lake Forest, Ill.*	6-53	2:55	2	14:56	2-14	Devin Vouk 16-yard pass from Chris Backes (Pavelko kick)
Lake Forest, Ill.*	1-27	0:07	2	13:13	1-10	Jimmy Buck 27-yard pass from Chris Backes (Pavelko kick)
Lake Forest, Ill.*	7-67	3:41	3	7:06	2-G	Devin Vouk 1-yard run (N. VanErp run failed)
Lake Forest, Ill.*	4-35	2:04	3	2:58	2-10	Alex Larson 20-yard pass from Chris Backes (Vouk run)

2021 - SJU's SCORING DRIVES ALLOWED

Team (Date)	Plays-Yds.	Duration	Qtr.	Clock	Down-Dist.	Scoring Play
Aurora, Ill. (9/4/21)	5-76	1:36	2	13:24	1-G	Trey Madsen 6-yard pass from Gavin Zimbelman (Kerr kick)
Aurora, Ill.	8-75	3:50	2	6:06	1-G	Trey Madsen 7-yard pass from Gavin Zimbelman (Kerr kick)
Aurora, Ill.	7-70	2:12	2	0:36	2-G	Brock Harner 9-yard pass from Gavin Zimbelman (Kerr kick blocked)
Aurora, Ill.	8-71	3:32	3	8:40	3-G	Cameron Moore 10-yard pass from Gavin Zimbelman (Kerr kick)
Aurora, Ill.	6-72	3:03	4	12:53	2-2	Brock Harner 20-yard pass from Gavin Zimbelman (Zimbelman pass failed)
Martin Luther (9/18/21)	---	---	2	12:36	2-9 (SJU)	Ben Arndt 22-yard interception return (Kehren kick)
Bethel (9/25/21)	13-63	7:20	1	7:33	4-4	Bryce Kunkle 19-yard pass from Jaran Roste (Hanson kick failed)
Bethel	7-70	1:51	3	4:35	1-G	Aaron Ellingson 1-yard run (Roste pass failed)
Bethel	8-71	4:04	4	12:04	2-G	Jaran Roste 4-yard run (Hanson kick)
Bethel	4-64	0:48	4	5:08	4-4	Joey Kidder 58-yard pass from Jaran Roste (Hanson kick failed)
at Gustavus Adolphus (10/23/21)	3-68	1:13	2	3:18	1-10	Dalton Thelen 58-yard pass from Jake Breitbach (Abegglen kick)
at Carleton (11/6/21)	6-56	1:15	2	0:00	1-10	Trent Ramirez 36-yard field goal
at Carleton	3-50	1:24	4	11:00	2-10	Ty Judge 17-yard pass from Jonathan Singleton (Ramirez kick)
at Bethel (11/13/21)	1-48	0:08	1	12:11	1-10	Joey Kidder 48-yard pass from Jaran Roste (Cifuentes kick)
at Bethel	11-70	6:08	1	3:53	4-7	Micah Niewald 23-yard pass from Jaran Roste (Cifuentes kick)
at Bethel	8-91	3:58	2	0:55	2-9	Gabe Ante 22-yard pass from Jaran Roste (Cifuentes kick)
at Bethel	---	---	3	3:46	4-7 (SJU)	David Brandt 10-yard blocked punt return (Cifuentes kick)
Lake Forest, Ill. (11/20/21)*	---	---	2	10:41		Safety (Chris Backes sacked in end zone by Alex Bendler)
Lake Forest, Ill.*	12-61	5:45	2	0:56	3-G	A.J. Jackson 4-yard pass from Tre Stewart (Goldammer kick failed)
Lake Forest, Ill.*	9-55	4:06	4	1:53	2-9	A.J. Jackson 12-yard pass from Tre Stewart (Goldammer kick blocked)

When Saint John's Has the Ball

Saint John's Offense

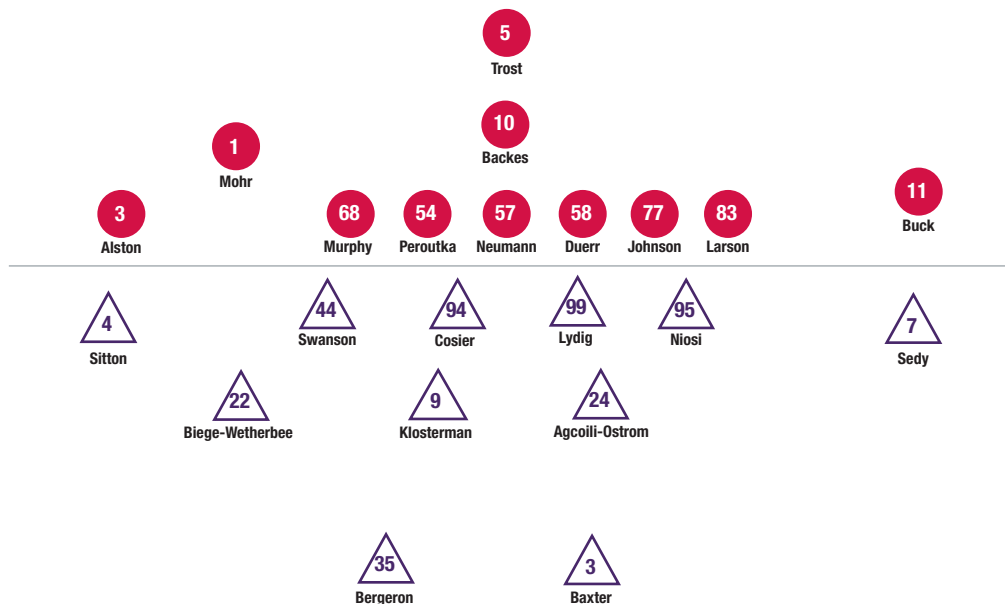
WR	3	Ravi Alston, Sr. (6-3, 205)
WR	11	Jimmy Buck, So. (6-3, 210)
LT	77	Tyler Johnson, Sr. (6-3, 265)
LG	58	T.J. Duerr, Jr. (6-1, 310)
C	57	Nick Neumann, Sr. (6-2, 310)
RG	54	Grant Peroutka, Fr. (6-2, 240)
RT	68	Cameron Murphy, Sr. (6-5, 295)
TE	83	Alex Larson, Jr. (6-7, 245)
WR	1	Matt Mohr, Sr. (6-0, 190)
QB	10	Chris Backes, Sr. (6-0, 195)
RB	5	Henry Trost, Sr. (5-10, 205)

Linfield Defense

DE	44	Travis Swanson, Sr. (6-3, 250)
DT	94	Grayson Cosier, Jr. (5-11, 250)
DT	99	Chase Lydig, Jr. (6-2, 255)
DE	95	Vinny Niosi, Jr. (6-2, 237)
LB	9	Brock Klosterman, Jr. (6-0, 215)
LB	24	Cedric Agcoili-Ostrom, Sr. (6-0, 200)
ROV	22	Caiden Biege-Wetherbee, Fr. (5-11, 205)
CB	4	Tyler Sittton, Sr. (6-2, 195)
S	35	Tyler Bergeron, Sr. (6-0, 200)
MON	3	Ben Baxter, So. (5-11, 190)
CB	7	Jon Sedy, Sr. (6-0, 180)

Saint John's Special Teams

K	12	Conor Pavelko, Fr. (5-10, 180)
	96	Reese Marek, Jr. (6-0, 175)
P	95	Spencer Ell, So. (5-11, 185)
LS	42	Landon Glenna, So. (5-11, 190)
H	2	Cooper Yaggie, Fr. (6-0, 190)
KR	26	Tony Underwood, So. (5-9, 180)
	9	Troy Feddema, So. (5-9, 190)
PR	24	Cayden Saxon, Jr. (6-3, 195)



When Linfield Has the Ball

Linfield Offense

WR	4	Devon Murray, So. (6-3, 175)
WR	9	Joel Valadez, Fr. (5-11, 180)
LT	50	Tyler Critser, Sr. (6-2, 270)
LG	70	Bailey Lee, Fr. (6-2, 300)
C	71	Matt Metcalf, Jr. (6-2, 270)
RG	72	Julian Sears, Jr. (6-0, 260)
RT	74	Taylor Adams, Jr. (6-4, 275)
TE	88	Franco Keplinger, So. (6-4, 240)
WR	3	Colton Smith, So. (6-0, 178)
QB	12	Wyatt Smith, Sr. (6-0, 205)
TB	5	Connor McNabb, So. (5-11, 194)

Saint John's Defense

DE	48	Seth Morem, Sr. (6-3, 235)
DT	93	Metoriah Faoliu, Sr. (6-1, 265)
DT	91	Michael Wozniak, Jr. (6-3, 245)
DE	19	Collin Franz, Sr. (6-4, 245)
LB	43	Kyle Kornovich, Sr. (6-1, 210)
LB	49	Erik Bjork, Jr. (5-11, 220)
LB	44	Carter Seymour, Sr. (6-1, 210)
CB	7	Tommy Deters, Sr. (5-11, 185)
S	10	Mateo Cisneros, So. (5-11, 185)
S	18	Ethan Stark, Jr. (6-1, 195)
CB	24	Cayden Saxon, Jr. (6-3, 195)

Linfield Special Teams

P	13	Colton Ramos, Sr. (5-10, 175)
K	49	Andrew Starkel, Gr. (6-2, 210)
	13	Colton Ramos, Sr. (5-10, 175)
LS	58	Zack Jenkins, Sr. (6-1, 200)
H	13	Colton Ramos, Sr. (5-10, 175)
KR	1	Connor Morton, So. (5-9, 185)
	25	Paul Thie, So. (6-0, 175)
PR	25	Paul Thie, So. (6-0, 175)
	1	Connor Morton, So. (5-9, 185)

