

## 2025 OFFICIAL FOOTBALL GAME INFORMATION

NO. 4 SAINT JOHN'S (3-0, 2-0 MIAC)

AT

NO. 11/12 BETHEL (3-0, 2-0 MIAC)



1 p.m. SATURDAY, OCT. 4, 2025 ARDEN HILLS, MINN. ROYAL STADIUM



**Nickname:** Johnnies **Location:** Collegeville, Minn.

Founded: 1857 Enrollment: 1,528

School Colors: Cardinal and Blue

Conference: Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic (MIAC)

**President:** Dr. Brian Bruess **Athletic Director:** Dan O'Brien

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

Head Coach: Gary Fasching '81 SJU Record: 113-20 (13th season) Overall Record: 113-20 (13th season)

Record vs. Bethel: 12-2

Nickname: Royals Location: Arden Hills, Minn.

Founded: 1869 Enrollment: 2,090

School Colors: Navy and Vegas Gold

Conference: Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic (MIAC)

President: Ross Allen

Athletic Director: Greg Peterson

Home Field (Capacity): Royal Stadium (3,500)

**Head Coach:** Mike McElroy

Bethel Record: 14-3 (Second season)

Overall Record: 14-3 (Second season)

Record to Scient Johnson 0.2

Record vs. Saint John's: 0-2

















#### A MIAC CHAMPIONSHIP REMATCH

The Johnnies (3-0, 2-0 MIAC) scored touchdowns on their first eight possessions and out-gained Augsburg 624-133, including a 257-36 margin on the ground, in a 63-0 win – the team's third-consecutive shutout to start the season – on Homecoming Saturday (Sept. 27) in Collegeville. Junior quarterback **Trey Feeney** finished 14 of 21 passing for 212 yards and two touchdowns, while senior quarterback **Zander Dittbenner** was nine of 14 passing for 139 yards and a touchdown. Dittbenner also rushed for 37 yards and two scores. Senior All-America tight end **Joey Gendreau** recorded career highs in catches (10) and receiving yards (166) for his third-straight 100-yard receiving game. Senior All-America wideout **Dylan Wheeler** just missed 100 receiving yards with 96 and a touchdown on seven receptions. Bethel scored 20 second-quarter points to take a 27-0 lead over Hamline at halftime last Saturday (Sept. 27). Running backs David Geebli and Taye Manns scored a pair of touchdowns on the ground in the first half before Hamline was able to break the shutout halfway through the fourth quarter. BU finished with 280 rushing yards and eight touchdowns on the ground, while Cooper Drews, a SJU transfer, threw for 191 yards and a score. Hamline managed 432 yards through the air, but Bethel totaled six sacks and four interceptions.

#### THE MIAC SPORTS NETWORK

The MIAC launched the MIAC Sports Network powered by Hudl in August 2023. The MIAC Sports Network is the official streaming home of all MIAC events and championships. The end-to-end digital streaming service is now available on the web (<a href="https://miacsportsnetwork.com/">https://miacsportsnetwork.com/</a>) along with streaming apps for television and mobile devices, including Android TV, Apple TV, Amazon Fire, Roku (TV), iOS, Android (mobile), and Amazon Fire Tablet.

#### THE JOHNNIE RADIO NETWORK

Saturday's game can be heard live on WBHR-660 AM across central Minnesota and KDIZ-1570 AM in the Twin Cities. Mark Lewandowski, Bryan Backes and Mike Carr will call all the action, beginning with Johnnies Magazine at 11 a.m. and the pre-game show at 11:30 a.m. The game will also be broadcast on the SJU football website via 660wbhr.com. This is the 28th season SJU football can be heard worldwide over the internet.

-Football Weekly at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2: defensive line coach/recruiting coordinator **Damien Dumonceaux** '05, head coach **Gary Fasching** '81 and senior running back **Caden Wheeler** (Andover, Minn.).

-Johnnies Magazine at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 4: SJU soccer senior **Foster Conlin** (Mooresville, N.C./Mounds View) and SJU swimming and diving head coach **Ben Gill**.

#### DOWNLOAD THE GO JOHNNIES APP

In August 2021, the Saint John's athletic department launched the Go Johnnies App, which is compatible with both iOS and Android devices. The app provides Johnnie fans easy access to features that include customizable push notifications for each of SJU's 11 varsity sports . The Go Johnnies App is presented by Kensington Bank and is a collaboration between SJU's athletic media relations and sports marketing departments, and From Now On, a fanengagement software and analytics company (FanX).

#### **2025 STATISTICAL COMPARISONS**

| Bethel<br>(NCAA/MIAC)      |                             | Saint John's     |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 51.0 (5th/2nd)             | Scoring Offense             | 57.0 (1st/1st)   |
| 7.3 (7th/2nd)              | Scoring Defense             | 0.0 (1st/1st)    |
| 518.7 (10th/2nd)           | Total Offense               | 576.7 (3rd/1st)  |
| 221.0 (18th/2nd)           | Total Defense               | 151.7 (2nd/1st)  |
| 33:32                      | Avg. Time of Possession     | 29:55            |
| PASSING                    | •                           |                  |
| 269.7 (44th/4th)           | Passing Offense             | 366.3 (7th/1st)  |
| 205.3 (132nd/4th)          | Passing Defense             | 104.0 (5th/1st)  |
| 9                          | Passing TD's                | 11               |
| 3                          | Passing TD's Allowed        | 0                |
| 138.1 (92nd/3rd)           | Pass Efficiency             | 199.6 (7th/1st)  |
| 99.7 (33rd/3rd)<br>RUSHING | Pass-Efficiency Defense     | 82.0 (8th/1st)   |
| 249.0 (18th/1st)           | Rushing Offense             | 210.3 (36th/3rd) |
| 15.7 (2nd/1st)             | Rushing Defense             | 47.7 (14th/2nd)  |
| 11                         | Rushing TD's                | 12               |
| DEFENSE _                  | Rushing TD's Allowed        | 0                |
| 9                          | Sacks (Total)               | 9                |
| SPECIAL TEAMS              | Tackles For Loss (Total)    | 25               |
| 10 (46.3)                  | Punts (Avg.)                | 3 (38.0)         |
| 4 (7.3)                    | Kick Returns (Avg.)         | 2 (23.5)         |
| 6 (13.8)                   | Punt Returns (Avg.)         | 5 (8.0)          |
| 42.2 K                     | (ickoff Coverage (Net Avg.) | 42.4             |
| +3 (7/4)                   | Turnover Margin             | +2 (6/4)         |
| 5                          | Interceptions               | 4                |
| 1                          | Interceptions Thrown        | 1                |
| 2 <b>F</b>                 | umbles Gained (Defensive    | ) 2              |
| 3                          | Fumbles Lost                | 3                |
| <b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>       |                             |                  |
| 100.0% (19-19)             | Red-Zone Offense            | 91.3% (21-23)    |
| 37.5% (3-8)                | Red-Zone Defense            | 0.0% (0-3)       |
| 54.3% (25-46)              | 3rd-Down Offense            | 63.2% (12-19)    |
| 13.6% (6-44)               | 3rd-Down Defense            | 23.1% (9-39)     |
| 4,325 (1 game)             | Avg. Home Attendance        | 8,446 (2 games)  |

#### LAST WEEK'S LEADERS

#### **#1 TREY FEENEY**

| Completions/Attempts | 14/21 |  |
|----------------------|-------|--|
| Yards                | 212   |  |
| Touchdowns           | 2     |  |
| Long                 | 43    |  |



#### **#27 CADEN WHEELER**

| Attempts   | 12 |
|------------|----|
| Yards      | 87 |
| Touchdowns | 2  |
| Long       | 16 |



#### **#O JOEY GENDREAU**

| Receptions | 10  |
|------------|-----|
| Yards      | 166 |
| Touchdowns | 1   |
| Long       | 43  |



#### **#5 LANDON DANNER**

| Total Tackles  | 5.0   |
|----------------|-------|
| TFL/Yards      | 1.0/2 |
| Sacks/Yards    | 0.0/0 |
| Forced Fumbles | n     |

#### THIS WEEK IN JOHNNIE ATHLETICS

| OLIN                     |                     | MON   |                                | TUE   |                            | EDI                           |  | 0.4   |  |
|--------------------------|---------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|----------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---|--|
| SUN.                     | SEPT. 28            | MON.  | SEPT. 29                       | TUES.   | SEPT. 30                   | FKI.                          | OCT. 3                                       | SAT.  | OCT. 4   |
| GOLF<br>6th at MIAC Chan | Brown Tennis Courts | GOLF<br>6th at MIAC Cham<br>Brooklyn Park, Mi | npionships<br>nn Edinburgh G.C | SOCCER<br>W, 5-2 vs. No. 3 A<br>Collegeville, | ugsburg<br>Minn Haws Field | SWIM & DI<br>SJU vs. Intersqu | Claire Invitational<br>r, Wis Whitetail G.C. | SOCCER<br>SJU vs. No. 16 St.<br>Collegeville,<br>FOOTBALL<br>SJU at No. 11/12 E | Meet - Warner Palaestra Classic nn Elk River C.C. Olaf Minn Haws Field |

#### **JOHNNIE FOOTBALL BY THE NUMBERS**



# NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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

Saint John's won is one of 10 active football programs to have won more than one national championship at the Division III level.



# **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, 2022, 2024

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# 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, 2022, 2024

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# **ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICANS**

25 seasons with at least one Academic All-American Seven seasons with two or more Academic All-Americans Two Academic All-Americans of the Year (Chris Palmer, 1995; Aaron Syverson, 2024)

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# **ALL-AMERICANS**

A total of 29 players have earned more than one All-America award, and SJU has had more than one All-American in 40 seasons and 24 seasons with three selections or more.

### **2025 SCHEDULE/RESULTS**

Saint John's (3-0, 2-0 MIAC)

| Sept. 13 | MINNESOTA-MORRIS (Blake Elliott D | ay) W, 49-0 |
|----------|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Sept. 20 | at Hamline*                       | W, 59-0     |
| Sept. 27 | AUGSBURG* (Homecoming)            | W, 63-0     |
| Oct. 4   | at Bethel*                        | 1 p.m.      |
| Oct. 11  | MACALESTER*                       | 1 p.m.      |
| Oct. 18  | at Concordia*                     | 1 p.m.      |
| Oct. 25  | CARLETON* (Family Weekend)        | 1 p.m.      |
| Nov. 1   | at Gustavus Adolphus*             | 1 p.m.      |
| Nov. 8   | ST. SCHOLASTICA*                  | Noon        |
| Nov. 15  | ST. OLAF*                         | Noon        |
| *denotes | an MIAC game                      |             |

#### Saint John's Football History

|                                | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| *as of Sept. 27                |                                       |
| First Season                   | 1900 (113th season)                   |
| All-Time Record                | 695-258-24 (.724)                     |
| All-Time MIAC Record           | 504-181-22 (.728)                     |
| All-Time Home Record           | 371-102-13 (.777)                     |
| All-Time Postseason Record     | 50-28 (.641)                          |
| NCAA Postseason Record         | 45-27 (.625)                          |
| All-Americans                  | 154                                   |
| Academic All-Americans         | 38                                    |
| All-MIAC First-Team Selections | 478                                   |
|                                |                                       |

#### **4 National Championships**

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

#### 37 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, 2022, 2024

#### 33 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, 2022, 2024

#### 29 NCAA Division III 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, 2022, 2024

#### 10 Undefeated Seasons

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

#### 26 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, 2022, 2024

20 Seasons of Leading Division III Attendance (Game Avg.)

1988, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1998, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016

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#### **2025 OPPONENT SCHEDULES**



#### **MINNESOTA-MORRIS**

Blake Elliott Day Sept. 13, 2025 | 1 p.m. Clemens Stadium | Collegeville, Minn.

#### 2025 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

| Sept. 6  | at Concordia-Chicago | L, 16-17 |
|----------|----------------------|----------|
| Sept. 13 | at Saint John's      | L, 0-49  |
| Sept. 20 | at Crown             | L, 20-30 |
| Oct. 4   | MARTIN LUTHER        | 6 p.m.   |
| Oct. 11  | at Westminster (Mo.) | Noon     |
| Oct. 18  | NORTHWESTERN         | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 25  | at Greenville (III.) | Noon     |
| Nov. 1   | CROWN                | 1 p.m.   |
| Nov. 8   | WESTMINSTER (Mo.)    | Noon     |
| Nov. 15  | at Martin Luther     | 1 p.m.   |
|          |                      |          |

2025 Record: 0-3 (0-0 UMAC)



**HAMLINE** Sept. 20, 2025 | 1 p.m. Klas Field | St. Paul, Minn.

#### 2025 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

| Sept. 6  | CROWN              | W, 28-21 |
|----------|--------------------|----------|
| Sept. 20 | SAINT JOHN'S       | L, 0-59  |
| Sept. 27 | BETHEL             | L, 12-62 |
| Oct. 4   | at Macalester      | 7 p.m.   |
| Oct. 11  | CONCORDIA          | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 18  | at Carleton        | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 25  | GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS  | 1 p.m.   |
| Nov. 1   | at St. Scholastica | 1 p.m.   |
| Nov. 8   | at St. Olaf        | Noon     |
| Nov. 15  | at Augsburg        | Noon     |
|          |                    |          |

2025 Record: 1-2 (0-2 MIAC)



#### **AUGSBURG**

Homecoming Sept. 27, 2025 | 1 p.m. Clemens Stadium | Collegeville, Minn.

#### 2025 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

| Sept. 4  | at Valley City State (N.D.) | L, 0-27  |
|----------|-----------------------------|----------|
| Sept. 20 | at St. Scholastica          | W, 30-23 |
| Sept. 27 | at Saint John's             | L, 0-63  |
| Oct. 4   | ST. OLAF                    | Noon     |
| Oct. 11  | BETHEL                      | Noon     |
| Oct. 18  | at Macalester               | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 25  | CONCORDIA                   | Noon     |
| Nov. 1   | at Carleton                 | 1 p.m.   |
| Nov. 8   | GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS           | Noon     |
| Nov 15   | HAMI INF                    | Noon     |

2025 Record: 1-2 (1-1 MIAC)



#### **BETHEL**

Oct. 4, 2025 | 1 p.m. Royal Stadium | Arden Hills, Minn.

#### 2025 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

| Sept. 13 | NORTHWESTERN         | W, 50-3  |
|----------|----------------------|----------|
| Sept. 20 | at Gustavus Adolphus | W, 41-7  |
| Sept. 27 | at Hamline           | W, 62-12 |
| Oct. 4   | SAINT JOHN'S         | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 11  | at Augsburg          | Noon     |
| Oct. 18  | ST. OLAF             | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 25  | MACALESTER           | 1 p.m.   |
| Nov. 1   | at Concordia         | 1 p.m.   |
| Nov. 8   | CARLETON             | 1 p.m.   |
| Nov. 15  | at St. Scholastica   | 1 p.m.   |

2025 Record: 3-0 (2-0 MIAC)



#### **MACALESTER**

Oct. 11, 2025 | 1 p.m. Clemens Stadium | Collegeville, Minn.

#### 2025 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

| Sept. 6  | at Grinnell (lowa)   | W, 20-15 |
|----------|----------------------|----------|
| Sept. 20 | at Carleton          | L, 7-51  |
| Sept. 27 | at St. Scholastica   | L, 34-37 |
| Oct. 4   | HAMLINE              | 7 p.m.   |
| Oct. 11  | at Saint John's      | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 18  | AUGSBURG             | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 25  | at Bethel            | 1 p.m.   |
| Nov. 1   | ST. OLAF             | 7 p.m.   |
| Nov. 8   | CONCORDIA            | Noon     |
| Nov. 15  | at Gustavus Adolphus | Noon     |
|          |                      |          |

2025 Record: 1-2 (0-2 MIAC)



# **CONCORDIA** 0ct. 18, 2025 | 1 p.m.

Jake Christiansen Stadium I Moorhead, Minn.

#### 2025 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

| Sept. 6  | MAYVILLE STATE (N.D.) | W, 17-6  |
|----------|-----------------------|----------|
| Sept. 20 | at St. Olaf           | L, 16-17 |
| Sept. 27 | GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS     | W, 14-13 |
| Oct. 4   | ST. SCHOLASTICA       | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 11  | at Hamline            | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 18  | SAINT JOHN'S          | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 25  | at Augsburg           | Noon     |
| UUL. 23  | at Augsburg           | NOOH     |
| Nov. 1   | BETHEL                | 1 p.m.   |
|          |                       |          |
| Nov. 1   | BETHEL                | 1 p.m.   |

2025 Record: 2-1 (1-1 MIAC)



#### **CARLETON**

Family Weekend Oct. 25, 2025 | 1 p.m. Clemens Stadium | Collegeville, Minn.

#### **2025 SCHEDULE/RESULTS**

| Sept. 6  | at UW-Whitewater     | L, 14-45         |
|----------|----------------------|------------------|
| Sept. 20 | MACALESTER           | W, 51-7          |
| Sept. 27 | ST. OLAF             | W, 35-28         |
| Oct. 4   | at Gustavus Adolphus | 1 p.m.           |
| Oct. 11  | at St. Scholastica   | 1 p.m.           |
| Oct. 18  | HAMLINE              | 1 p.m.           |
| Oct. 25  | at Saint John's      | 1 p.m.           |
| Nov. 1   | AUGSBURG             | 1 p.m.           |
| Nov. 8   | at Bethel            | 1 p.m.           |
| Nov. 15  | CONCORDIA            | Noon             |
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2025 Record: 2-1 (2-0 MIAC)



# GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS Nov. 1 2025 | 1 p.m.

Hollingsworth Field | St. Peter, Minn.

#### **2025 SCHEDULE/RESULTS**

| Sept. 6  | at Whitworth (Wash.) | L, 10-23          |
|----------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Sept. 20 | BETHEL               | L, 7-41           |
| Sept. 27 | at Concordia         | L, 13-14          |
| Oct. 4   | CARLETON             | 1 p.m.            |
| Oct. 11  | at St. Olaf          | 1 p.m.            |
| Oct. 18  | ST. SCHOLASTICA      | 1 p.m.            |
| Oct. 25  | at Hamline           | 1 p.m.            |
| Nov. 1   | SAINT JOHN'S         | 1 p.m.            |
| Nov. 8   | at Augsburg          | Noon              |
| Nov. 15  | MACALESTER           | Noon              |
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2025 Record: 0-3 (0-2 MIAC)



#### ST. SCHOLASTICA

Nov. 8, 2025 | Noon Clemens Stadium | Collegeville, Minn.

### **2025 SCHEDULE/RESULTS**

| Nov. 15  | BETHEL                | 1 p.m.   |
|----------|-----------------------|----------|
| Nov. 8   | at Saint John's       | Noon     |
| Nov. 1   | HAMLINE               | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 25  | at St. Olaf           | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 18  | at Gustavus Adolphus  | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 11  | CARLETON              | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 4   | at Concordia          | 7 p.m.   |
| Sept. 27 | MACALESTER            | W, 37-34 |
| Sept. 20 | AUGSBURG              | L, 23-30 |
| Sept. 6  | at Wisconsin Lutheran | W, 41-27 |

2025 Record: 2-1 (1-1 MIAC)



**ST. OLAF** Nov. 15, 2025 | Noon Clemens Stadium | Collegeville, Minn.

#### 2025 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

| 202000   | TILDULL/ KLUULIU  |          |
|----------|-------------------|----------|
| Sept. 6  | NORTHWESTERN      | W, 32-7  |
| Sept. 20 | CONCORDIA         | W, 17-16 |
| Sept. 27 | at Carleton       | L, 28-35 |
| Oct. 4   | at Augsburg       | 7 p.m.   |
| Oct. 11  | GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 18  | at Bethel         | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 25  | ST. SCHOLASTICA   | 1 p.m.   |
| Nov. 1   | at Macalester     | 1 p.m.   |
| Nov. 8   | HAMLINE           | Noon     |
| Nov. 15  | at Saint John's   | Noon     |

2025 Record: 2-1 (1-1 MIAC)

#### SJU vs. 2025'S OPPONENTS

| Opponent             | Time    | Series       | Home    | Away    | Neut. | First | Last | Streak |
|----------------------|---------|--------------|---------|---------|-------|-------|------|--------|
| Minnesota-Morris     | W, 49-0 | SJU, 3-2-1   | 2-0-1   | 1-2     | 0-0   | 1968  | 2025 | W1     |
| at Hamline           | W, 59-0 | SJU, 63-23-3 | 36-8-2  | 26-15-1 | 1-0   | 1908  | 2025 | W26    |
| Augsburg             | W, 63-0 | SJU, 75-9-2  | 38-5    | 36-4-2  | 1-0   | 1926  | 2025 | W12    |
| at Bethel            | 1 p.m.  | SJU, 38-10   | 22-3    | 15-7    | 1-0   | 1978  | 2024 | W4     |
| Macalester           | 1 p.m.  | SJU, 54-17-4 | 26-7-3  | 25-10-1 | 3-0   | 1909  | 2001 | W15    |
| at Concordia         | 1 p.m.  | SJU, 51-34-6 | 25-15-4 | 22-18-1 | 4-1-1 | 1923  | 2024 | W5     |
| Carleton             | 1 p.m.  | SJU, 41-0    | 20-0    | 18-0    | 3-0   | 1923  | 2023 | W41    |
| at Gustavus Adolphus | 1 p.m.  | SJU, 54-33-3 | 29-11-1 | 22-21-2 | 3-1   | 1923  | 2024 | W1     |
| St. Scholastica      | Noon    | SJU, 7-0     | 5-0     | 2-0     | 0-0   | 2014  | 2024 | W7     |
| St. Olaf             | Noon    | SJU, 48-14-1 | 24-8    | 24-6-1  | 0-0   | 1922  | 2024 | W11    |

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### FREE WHEELING

DYLAN WHEELER WR | 6-2 | 195 | Sr. St. Paul, Minn./Mounds View

A 2024 consensus All-American – American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) first team, Associated Press first team, D3football.com third team, Walter Camp first team - senior wide receiver **Dylan Wheeler** (St. Paul, Minn./Mounds View) ended the season second in NCAA Division III in receiving touchdowns (21), eighth in total points scored (126) and total touchdowns (21), 14th in receptions per game (7.3) and 15th in scoring (10.5 ppg.). He recorded over 100 receiving yards in seven of his team's 12 games and led SJU in receptions (88) and receiving touchdowns (21), and finished second with 1,164 receiving yards.

The 21 receiving touchdowns were second-most in program history, one behind the record of 22 set by **Blake Elliott** '03 - a 2025 College Football Hall of Fame inductee - in 2002, while the catches ranked third and the receiving yards were 10th. Wheeler is currently tied for third in program history in receiving touchdowns (36), fourth in program history in 100-yard receiving games (10), tied for fifth in receptions (165) and 10th in receiving yards (2,211).

Wheeler continues to move up the SJU leaderboards, and collected his sixth game with three receiving touchdowns Sept. 20 at Hamline. No Johnnie has tallied more 3+ touchdown-reception games than Wheeler.

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| Rk. | Rec. | Name          | Seasons      |
|-----|------|---------------|--------------|
| 1.  | 369  | Blake Elliott | 2000-03      |
| 2.  | 213  | Josh Bungum   | 2012-15      |
| 3.  | 207  | Adam Herbst   | 1995-98      |
| 4.  | 171  | Alex Larson   | 2019-23      |
| t5. | 165  | Dylan Wheeler | 2022-current |
|     | 165  | Chris Palmer  | 1992-95      |

#### **All-Time SJU Receiving Yards**

| Rk. | Yds.  | Name          | Seasons      |
|-----|-------|---------------|--------------|
| 1.  | 4,826 | Blake Elliott | 2000-03      |
| 2.  | 3,162 | Chris Palmer  | 1992-95      |
| 3.  | 3,096 | Adam Herbst   | 1995-98      |
| 4.  | 2,676 | Josh Bungum   | 2012-15      |
| 5.  | 2,584 | Todd Fultz    | 1988-90      |
| 6.  | 2,542 | Jeremy Loretz | 1991-94      |
| 7.  | 2,357 | Kyle Gearman  | 2004-06      |
| 8.  | 2,350 | Ravi Alston   | 2018-21      |
| 9.  | 2,241 | Lee Clintsman | 2001-04      |
| 10. | 2,211 | Dylan Wheeler | 2022-current |

#### All-Time SJU Receiving Touchdowns

| Rk. | TDs | Name          | Seasons      |
|-----|-----|---------------|--------------|
| 1.  | 63  | Blake Elliott | 2000-03      |
| 2.  | 41  | Adam Herbst   | 1995-98      |
| t3. | 36  | Dylan Wheeler | 2022-current |
|     | 36  | Chris Palmer  | 1992-95      |

#### **All-Time SJU 100-Yard Receiving Games**

| 4. | 10   | Dylan Wheeler | 2022-current |
|----|------|---------------|--------------|
| 3. | 11   | Adam Herbst   | 1995-98      |
| 2. | 15   | Chris Palmer  | 1992-95      |
| 1. | 22   | Blake Elliott | 2000-03      |
| Rĸ | Gms. | Name          | Seasons      |

#### HOMECOMING GLORY

SJU is now 74-20-2 (.781) in 96 Homecoming games dating back to 1925, including a 17-2 record against Augsburg, the Johnnies' most-frequent opponent. The Johnnies have won 34 of their last 39 Homecoming games. Last Saturday's 63-point differential was the largest for SJU on Homecoming since the 69-0 victory over Hamline on Oct. 9, 1993.



# **JOEY G. ON THE TE LISTS**

JOEY GENDREAU TE | 6-3 | 230 | Sr.

TE | 6-3 | 230 | Sr. Shorewood, Minn./Minnetonka

Senior tight end **Joey Gendreau** (Shorewood, Minn./Minnetonka) was named to the D3football.com National Team of the Week for the second time this season on Tuesday, Sept. 30. Gendreau recorded career highs in catches (10) and receiving yards (166) for his third-straight 100-yard receiving game as SJU (3-0, 2-0 MIAC) posted its third-consecutive shutout with a 63-0 Homecoming win over Augsburg on Saturday (Sept. 27).

The performance enabled Gendreau to move into second place on SJU's tight ends list with 119 career receptions, is third in receiving yards (1,603) and tied for fourth in receiving touchdowns (14).

The 2024 All-American has 27 catches for 427 yards and three touchdowns through the season's first three games. He was named to the D3football.com National Team of the Week on Sept. 16 following an eight-catch, 124-yard performance in the Johnnies' 49-0, season-opening win over Minnesota-Morris on Sept. 13.

A D3football.com All-America fourth-team selection in 2024, Gendreau finished third on the team in catches (63), receiving yards (810) and receiving touchdowns (5) last season. Among MIAC tight ends, Gendreau led the MIAC in receptions (43), tied for first with four receiving touchdowns and was second with 500 receiving yards in league play.

#### All-Time SJU Receptions by a Tight End

| 2.  | 119    | Joey Gendreau | 2022-current |
|-----|--------|---------------|--------------|
| 1.  | 171    | Alex Larson   | 2019-23      |
| RK. | . кес. | Name          | Seasons      |

#### All-Time SJU Receiving Yards by a Tight End

| 3.  | 1,603 | Joey Gendreau  | 2022-current |  |
|-----|-------|----------------|--------------|--|
| 2.  | 1,749 | Nate Kirschner | 1997-00      |  |
| 1.  | 2,097 | Alex Larson    | 2019-23      |  |
| Rk. | Yds.  | Name           | Seasons      |  |

#### All-Time SJU Receiving Touchdowns by a Tight End

| Rk. | Yds. | Name           | Seasons      |
|-----|------|----------------|--------------|
| 1.  | 30   | Alex Larson    | 2019-23      |
| 2.  | 19   | Nate Kirschner | 1997-00      |
| 3.  | 15   | Tom Ramboldt   | 1988-91      |
| t4. | 14   | Joey Gendreau  | 2022-current |
|     | 14   | Jared Streit   | 2015-18      |



# A QB IN THE END ZONE

**ZANDER DITTBENNER** QB | 6-0 | 200 | Sr. Mankato, Minn./West

Senior quarterback Zander Dittbenner (Mankato, Minn./West)

completed nine of his 14 passes for 139 yards and a score, and also added a pair of rushing touchdowns – of 16 and 21 yards – in last Saturday's Homecoming win. By doing so, Dittbenner became the first Johnnie quarterback to rush for two touchdowns in back-to-back games since...**Paul Schmit** '74 in 1973. Multiple SJU quarterbacks accomplished the feat of multiple rushing touchdowns in a game, but never in back-to-back games since the first two contests of the 1973 season: four and eight yards in the 42-7 win over St. Cloud State on Sept. 15, and three and one yard in the 28-14 victory over Concordia-Moorhead. Both games were held in Collegeville.

#### A LETHAL ROTATION

Saint John's entered the season needing to replace **Aaron Syverson** '24 – the Walter Camp Division III Player of the Year and a consensus All-American – at quarterback. He was the runner-up for the Gagliardi Trophy and the D3football.com Region 6 Offensive Player of the Year who ended the 2024 season as the NCAA Division III leader in completion percentage (.763), passing touchdowns (51), passing yards (4,382) and passing yards per game (365.2). He finished in the top three in six other categories.

The top two candidates to replace him have each seen plenty of action so far this season.

Junior Trey Feeney (Moorhead, Minn.), a transfer from FCS North Dakota, has led the Johnnies in passing yards so far (568), while senior Zander Dittbenner ran in two touchdowns in back-to-back games, and ranks thrid on the team in rushing yards.

Four quarterbacks have seen the field for SJU, as senior Lucas Jansky (Kimball, Minn./ Kimball Area) sophomore Reece Dawson (Rogers, Minn.) have joined in on the action with Feeney and Dittbenner. All four completed a pass at Hamline on Sept. 20, marking the first time since Sept. 1, 2012, a 52-7 SJU win over Northwestern, that four different players have completed a pass.

With Jansky's pass to sophomore **Wyatt McCabe** (Mayer, Minn./Watertown-Mayer) against Augsburg last weekend, 2025 becomes the first season since 2018 that four different players have completed a touchdown pass.

| SJU's 202 | 5 Passing | Statistics |
|-----------|-----------|------------|
|           |           |            |

|                   | CMP-ATT-INT | YDS   | TD | LONG | AVG.  |
|-------------------|-------------|-------|----|------|-------|
| Trey Feeney       | 40-54-0     | 568   | 6  | 43   | 189.3 |
| Zander Dittbenner | 24-36-1     | 437   | 3  | 53   | 145.7 |
| Lucas Jansky      | 6-8-0       | 74    | 1  | 29   | 24.7  |
| Reece Dawson      | 1-1-0       | 20    | 11 | 20   | 20.0  |
| TOTALS            | 71-99-1     | 1,099 | 11 | 53   | 366.3 |

POINTS, BUT NO PUNTS **MATT HANSEN** 

K/P | 5-11 | 150 | Jr. Longmont, Colo./Niwot

Junior kicker Matt Hansen (Longmont, Colo./Niwot) was busy last Saturday with extra points, making all eight of his attempts, and booted six of SJU's 10 kickoffs with three touchbacks. Hansen, who was also a member of the Johnnies' MIAC-outdoor-champion 4x100-meter relay team in May, did not see any action as the team's punter against Augsburg as the Johnnies scored touchdowns on nine of their 10 offensive possessions (a fumble served as the 10th). The last time SJU did not punt in a game was also against Augsburg seven years ago - a 52-0 win on Sept. 29, 2018 in Minneapolis.

### **2 GAMES, 1,200+ YARDS**

For the first time in recorded history, SJU eclipsed 600 yards of offense in back-to-back games in last Saturday's Homecoming win. The Johnnies rolled to 624 yards on 69 plays against the Auggies, a week after the 618-yard output in the 59-0 road victory at Hamline. SJU is currently averaging 9.06 yards per play - 1,730 yards on 191 plays - and has out-gained the opposition by 1,275 yards so far this season.

#### **GET DOWN TO IT**

joining St. Olaf defensive end Noah Barrett.

The Johnnies posted 36 first downs - 16 rushing, 17 passing and three via penalty - last weekend against Augsburg. The total was the most since the program-record 41 in the 81-0 home shutout of St. Scholastica on Oct. 30, 2021. The five rushing touchdowns were also the most for the Johnnies since that lopsided win over CSS.



LET'S BE FRANK **ZACH FRANK** DL | 6-3 | 270 | Sr.

Senior defensive lineman Zach Frank (Lino Lakes, Minn./Centennial) was named one of 175 semifinalists for the 2025 William V. Campbell Trophy and is a candidate for the 2025 National Football Foundation (NFF) Scholar-Athlete Awards, presented by Fidelity Investments. He is one of 33 student-athletes from NCAA Division III and one of two nominees from the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) for the Campbell Trophy -

Since 1995, 24 Johnnies have been nominated for the Campbell Trophy. SJU is the lone program of 658 NCAA schools that play football to have nominated a Campbell Trophy scholar-athlete each of the past 23 seasons.

The award recognizes an individual as the absolute best football scholar-athlete in the nation and up to 16 of the candidates will be named recipients of the prestigious NFF

National Scholar-Athlete Award. Nominated by their schools, which are limited to one nominee each, candidates for the awards must be a senior or graduate student in their final year of eligibility, have a GPA of at least 3.2 on a 4.0 scale, have shown outstanding football ability as a first-team player or significant contributor and must have demonstrated strong leadership and citizenship. 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 four NFF National Scholar-Athlete Award winners: defensive lineman Michael Wozniak '22 (2022), linebacker Carter Hanson '17 (2016), linebacker Matt Hawn '06 (2005) and wide receiver Chris Palmer '96 (1995).

The class is selected each year by the NFF Awards Committee, which is comprised of a nationally recognized group of media, members of the College Football Hall of Fame and athletics administrators.

The NFF will announce 12-16 finalists on Oct. 22. Each of them will receive a \$18,000 postgraduate scholarship as a member of the NFF National Scholar-Athlete Class Presented by Fidelity Investments. One of the finalists will be named the winner of the 36th Campbell Trophy during the 67th Annual NFF Awards Dinner Presented by Las Vegas on Dec. 9 at the Bellagio Resort & Casino and have his postgraduate scholarship increased to \$25,000.

An accounting major (exercise and health science minor) with a 3.86 GPA, Frank was named to the 2024 College Sports Communicators (CSC) Academic All-America second team and collected his second CSC Academic All-District and Academic All-MIAC (minimum 3.5 GPA) honors last season. He is a five-time Dean's list honoree (minimum 3.80 GPA) out of eight semesters at SJU.

On the field, Frank was named to the 2024 D3football.com All-America fourth team after he garnered his second-consecutive D3football.com All-Region and All-MIAC honors last fall. He led the team in sacks (9.0) and quarterback hurries (6), and was second in tackles for loss (11.5) for a defense that ended the 2024 regular season as the NCAA Division III leader on fourth down (20 percent/5-for-25), third in sacks (4.10 spg.), sixth in the red zone (.565/13-for-23); eighth against the run (53.8 ypg.) and 19th in points allowed (13.0 ppg.). In 2023, Frank led SJU with nine tackles for loss and seven quarterback hurries, and tied for the team lead with 5.5 sacks in 10 games. Frank has 82 tackles (44 solo), including 27.5 tackles for a loss, 18.0 sacks, 15 quarterback hurries, two forced fumbles and one fumble recovery in 33 career games.

Off the field, Frank is in his fifth year raising money for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital as a member of the SJU football team. The Johnnies raised \$63,700 last fall, the program's 10th year supporting the organization. He studied abroad in London during Spring 2024 and participated in a service internship with Boxing Futures, which is an outreach program for at-risk youth (ages 12-25). Frank helped set up and run boxing sessions each week for the participants, as well as reached out to other potential sites for more programs to be established in the future.

He helped start a club on campus called Johnnies and Bennies in Community (JBIC) in Fall 2024. The first location was Madison Elementary School in St. Cloud, where the club created a mentorship program for kids who need a positive influence in their life. There are currently 15 mentors going to the school either once or twice each week for an hour.

Frank was named SJU's 2023-24 NovaCare Comeback Athlete of the Year. Honorees must have suffered a substantial injury and be known to SJU's NovaCare Rehabilitation on-campus, physical therapy professionals. NovaCare is the preferred physical therapy and athletic training services provider for Saint John's University. Frank suffered a severe lateral bucket handle meniscus tear during the third game of the 2022 season and was initially told the timeline to return to high-intensity training was five months. Due to hard work and dedication to the rehabilitation program, he was cleared for full participation one month early.

#### A TRIO OF SHUTOUTS

Last Saturday's shutout was the 195th in Saint John's history, the 26th in 132 games under the direction of head coach Gary Fasching '81 and the 23rd for SJU on Homecoming. The last time the Johnnies opened the year with a pair of shutouts was 1965 - a season that ended with SJU's second of four national titles. The 1965 team defeated UW-River Falls 16-0 and Bemidji State 7-0 to start the season, followed by consecutive shutouts at Macalester (48-0) and St. Thomas (10-0). Saint John's allowed just 27 points against (2.5 avg.) in 11 games and held Linfield (Ore.) scoreless in the NAIA title game (33-0).

| MIAC | PF   | PA   | <b>OVERALL</b>  | PF  | PA   |
|------|--|--|---|---|--|
| 2-0  | 122  | 0  | 3-0   | 171   | 0  |
| 2-0  | 103  | 19   | 3-0   | 153   | 22   |
| 2-0  | 86   | 35   | 2-1   | 100   | 80   |
| 1-1  | 30   | 30   | 2-1   | 47  | 36   |
| 1-1  | 45   | 51   | 2-1   | 77  | 58   |
| 1-1  | 60   | 64   | 2-1   | 101   | 91   |
| 1-1  | 30   | 86   | 1-2   | 30  | 111  |
| 0-2  | 12   | 121  | 1-2   | 40  | 142  |
| 0-2  | 41   | 88   | 1-2   | 61  | 103  |
| 0-2  | 20   | 55   | 0-3   | 30  | 78   |
| DE   | CE   | NIT (  | 002   | DEG   | •  |
|      | 2-0<br>2-0<br>2-0<br>1-1<br>1-1<br>1-1<br>0-2<br>0-2 | 2-0 122<br>2-0 103<br>2-0 86<br>1-1 30<br>1-1 45<br>1-1 60<br>1-1 30<br>0-2 12<br>0-2 41<br>0-2 20 | 2-0 122 0 2-0 103 19 2-0 86 35 1-1 30 30 1-1 45 51 1-1 60 64 1-1 30 86 0-2 12 121 0-2 41 88 0-2 20 55 | 2-0         122         0         3-0           2-0         103         19         3-0           2-0         86         35         2-1           1-1         30         30         2-1           1-1         45         51         2-1           1-1         60         64         2-1           1-1         30         86         1-2           0-2         12         121         1-2           0-2         41         88         1-2           0-2         20         55         0-3 | 2-0         122         0         3-0         171           2-0         103         19         3-0         153           2-0         86         35         2-1         100           1-1         30         30         2-1         47           1-1         45         51         2-1         77           1-1         60         64         2-1         101           1-1         30         86         1-2         30           0-2         12         121         1-2         40           0-2         41         88         1-2         61 |

| Saturuay, Sept. 20, 2025                   |                   |                        |
|--|-------------------|------------------------|
| No. 4/5 Saint John's 59 at Hamline 0       | St. Paul, Minn.   | Klas Field             |
| Augsburg 30 at St. Scholastica 23          | Duluth, Minn.     | Walt Hunting Stadium   |
| Concordia 16 at St. Olaf 17                | Northfield, Minn. | Klein Field at Manitou |
| No. 12/13 Bethel 41 at Gustavus Adolphus 7 | St. Peter, Minn.  | Hollingsworth Field    |
| Macalester 7 at Carleton 51                | Northfield, Minn. | Laird Stadium          |
|  |                   |                        |

| Saturday, Sept. 27, 2025             |                     |                           |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Augsburg 0 at No. 4 Saint John's 63  | Collegeville, Minn. | Clemens Stadium           |
| No. 11/12 Bethel 62 at Hamline 12    | St. Paul, Minn.     | Klas Field                |
| Gustavus Adolphus 13 at Concordia 14 | Moorhead, Minn.     | Jake Christiansen Stadium |
| Macalester 34 at St. Scholastica 37  | Duluth, Minn.       | Walt Hunting Stadium      |
| St. Olaf 28 at Carleton 35           | Northfield, Minn.   | Laird Stadium             |
|                                      |                     |                           |

# **UPCOMING GAMES**

| 12 p.m. | Minneapolis, Minn.         | Edor Nelson Field                                 |
|---------|----------------------------|---|
| 1 p.m.  | Arden Hills, Minn.         | Royal Stadium                                     |
| 1 p.m.  | St. Peter, Minn.           | Hollingsworth Field                               |
| 1 p.m.  | Moorhead, Minn.            | Jake Christiansen Stadium                         |
| 7 p.m.  | St. Paul, Minn.            | Macalester Stadium                                |
|         |                            |   |
|         | 1 p.m.<br>1 p.m.<br>1 p.m. | 1 p.m. St. Peter, Minn.<br>1 p.m. Moorhead, Minn. |

| No. 11/12 Bethel at Augsburg     | 12 p.m. | Minneapolis, Minn. | Edor Nelson Field      |
|----------------------------------|---------|--------------------|------------------------|
| Macalester at No. 4 Saint John's | 1 p.m.  | Arden Hills, Minn. | Clemens Stadium        |
| Carleton at St. Scholastica      | 1 p.m.  | St. Peter, Minn.   | Walt Hunting Stadium   |
| Gustavus Adolphus at St. Olaf    | 1 p.m.  | Moorhead, Minn.    | Klein Field at Manitou |
| Concordia at Hamline             | 1 p.m.  | St. Paul, Minn.    | Klas Field             |
|                                  |         |                    |                        |

| Saturday, Oct. 18, 2025              |        |                    |                           |
|--------------------------------------|--------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| No. 4 Saint John's at Concordia      | 1 p.m. | Moorhead, Minn.    | Jake Christiansen Stadium |
| St. Olaf at No. 11/12 Bethel         | 1 p.m. | Arden Hills, Minn. | Royal Stadium             |
| Hamline at Carleton                  | 1 p.m. | Northfield, Minn.  | Laird Stadium             |
| St. Scholastica at Gustavus Adolphus | 1 p.m. | St. Peter, Minn.   | Hollingsworth Field       |
| Augsburg at Macalester               | 1 p.m. | St. Paul, Minn.    | Macalester Stadium        |

# **RETURNING ALL-MIAC PLAYERS**

| POS. |                   |              | YR. | HOMETOWN/H.S. P                | REVIOUS SELECTIONS |
|------|-------------------|--------------|-----|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| QB   | Cooper Drews      | Bethel       | Jr. | Princeton, Minn.               |                    |
| RB   | Caden Wheeler     | Saint John's | Sr. | Andover, Minn.                 |                    |
| WR   | Tyler Dimond      | Carleton     | Sr. | North Grafton, Mass.   Grafton |                    |
| WR   | Dawson Schaffer   | Hamline      | Sr. | Kindred, N.D.                  |                    |
| WR   | Dylan Wheeler     | Saint John's | Sr. | St. Paul, Minn. I Mounds View  | w 2023 (HM)        |
| WR   | Tyrone Wilson     | Augsburg     | Sr. | Ellendale, Minn.               |                    |
| TE   | Joey Gendreau     | Saint John's | Sr. | Shorewood, Minn. I Minneton    | nka                |
| 0L   | Jaeger Ash        | Bethel       | Jr. | Milaca, Minn.                  |                    |
| 0L   | Sam Dioszeghy     | Concordia    | Jr. | Mound, Minn.   Mound Weston    | ka                 |
| 0L   | Johnathan Hartwig | St. Olaf     | Sr. | Hudson, Wis.                   |                    |
| 0L   | Isaiah Ward       | Bethel       | Sr. | Centerville, Minn.             | 2023               |

| DEF  | ENSE             |                   |     |                                    |                |
|------|------------------|-------------------|-----|------------------------------------|----------------|
| POS. |                  |                   | YR. | HOMETOWN/H.S. PREVI                | OUS SELECTIONS |
| DL   | Noah Barrett     | St. Olaf          | Sr. | Stratford, Wis.                    |                |
| DL   | Zach Frank       | Saint John's      | Sr. | Lino Lakes, Minn. I Centennial     | 2023           |
| DL   | Landon Gallagher | Saint John's      | Sr. | Murrieta, Calif. I Vista Murrieta  |                |
| DL   | Max Olson        | Gustavus Adolphus | Jr. | Trimont, Minn.   Martin County Wes | it             |
| LB   | Taylor Glynn     | Bethel            | Sr. | Grand Meadow, Minn.                | 2023           |
| LB   | Aiden McMahon    | Saint John's      | Jr. | Maple Grove, Minn.                 |                |
| LB   | Jaiden Musse     | Concordia         | Sr. | Naples, Fla.   Lely                | 2023 (HM)      |
| DB   | Westin Hoyt      | Saint John's      | So. | Forest Lake, Minn.                 |                |
| DB   | Blake Simonson   | Saint John's      | Sr. | Waconia, Minn.                     |                |
| DB   | Devin Williams   | Bethel            | Sr. | Fridley, Minn.                     | 2022   2023    |

### SPECIAL TEAMS

NONE

# **MIAC LEADERS**

The Johnnies led the MIAC in total offense (523.1 ypg.) - for the sixth-consecutive season - and passing offense (384.8 ypg.) for the second-straight year in conference play in 2024. The 384.8 passing yards per game were a new program record, surpassing last year's 375.6 yards per MIAC game. SJU's defense tied with Bethel for the conference lead in scoring offense (14.6 ppg.) and finished second the other three main statistics in conference play: total defense (259.6 ypg.), rushing defense (55.1 ypg.) and passing defense (204.5 ypg.).

| PASSING   |  |                        |                         |                              |                              |   |
|---|--|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
|   |  | GP                     | YDS                     |                              | TD                           | AVG/0   |
| Jack Curtis   | Carleton   | 3                      | 1,076                   |                              | 10                           | 358.7   |
| Cooper Drews  | Bethel   | 3                      | 795                     |                              | 9                            | 265.0   |
| Donald West   | St. Scholastica  | 3                      | 682                     |                              | 4                            | 227.3   |
| RUSHING   |  |                        |                         |                              |                              |   |
|   |  | GP                     | ATT                     | YDS                          | TD                           | AVG/0   |
| William Jevon   | St. Scholastica  | 3                      | 71                      | 501                          | 6                            | 167.0   |
| Taye Manns  | Bethel   | 3                      | 51                      | 342                          | 5                            | 114.0   |
| Gys Gartzke   | St. Olaf   | 3                      | 78                      | 245                          | 2                            | 81.7  |
| RECEIVING   |  | CD                     | DEC                     | VDC                          | TO                           | 41/0//  |
| Joey Gendreau   | Saint John's   | <i>GP</i><br><b>3</b>  | REC<br><b>27</b>        | YDS<br><b>427</b>            | TD<br><b>3</b>               | AVG/0<br><b>142.</b> 3                          |
| Tyler Dimond  | Carleton   | 3                      | 20                      | 427                          | 3                            | 142.3   |
| Dawson Schaffer   | Hamline  | 3                      | 19                      | 389                          | 3                            | 129.7   |
| ALL PURPOSE   |  |                        |                         |                              |                              |   |
| ALL I OIII OOL  |  | GP                     | RUSH                    | RCV                          | RET                          | YDS   |
| Jevon Williams  | St. Scholastica  | 3                      | 501                     | 123                          | 84                           | 708   |
| Tyler Dimond  | Carleton   | 3                      | 0                       | 427                          | 85                           | 512   |
| Joey Gendreau   | Saint John's   | 3                      | 0                       | 427                          | 0                            | 427   |
| TACKLES   |  |                        |                         |                              |                              |   |
|   |  | GP                     | SOL0                    | <b>AST</b>                   | TOT                          | AVG/0   |
| Owen Detmer   | Carleton   | 3                      | 15                      | 15                           | 30                           | 10.0  |
| RJ Chakolis   | Augsburg   | 3                      | 11                      | 17                           | 28                           | 9.3   |
| Kyle Mages  | Concordia  | 3                      | 14                      | 14                           | 28                           | 9.3   |
| SACKS   |  | CD                     | coro                    | AST                          | VDC                          | AVG/0   |
| Zach Frank  | Saint John's   | <i>GP</i><br><b>3</b>  | SOLO<br><b>4</b>        | A51                          | <i>YDS</i><br><b>26</b>      | 1.50  |
| Phil Conant   | Bethel   | 3                      | 3                       | 2                            | 27                           | 1.33  |
| Grady Minnerath   | Saint John's   | 3                      | 2                       | 1                            | 21                           | 0.83  |
| PASS DEFENSE  |  |                        |                         |                              |                              |   |
|   |  | GP                     | BRUP                    | INT                          | YDS                          | TO  |
| Jake Reinke   | Carleton   | 3                      | 3                       | 1                            | 0                            | 4.0   |
| Nick Colyer   | Bethel   | 3                      | 2                       | 2                            | 19                           | 4.0   |
| Westin Hoyt   | Saint John's   | 3                      | 2                       | 1                            | 45                           | 3.0   |
| KICK RETURNS  |  | 25                     |                         | 1/0.0                        |                              |   |
| Andrew Durges   | Ct Cabalastica   | GP                     | NO                      | YDS                          | LONG                         | AVG/RET   |
| Andrew Burgess Dom Mathies  | St. Scholastica Gustavus Adolphus                            | 3                      | 7                       | 176<br>163                   | 48<br>29                     | 25.1<br>23.3                                    |
| Eric Cockhill   | Concordia  | 3                      | 7                       | 145                          | 30                           | 20.7  |
|   |  |                        |                         |                              |                              |   |
|   | •  |                        |                         |                              |                              |   |
| PUNT RETURNS  | 5  | GP                     | NO                      | YDS                          | LONG                         | AVG/RET   |
|   | Bethel   | <i>GP</i><br>3         | <i>NO</i><br>5          | <i>YDS</i><br>83             | LONG<br>34                   |   |
| PUNT RETURNS  |  |                        |                         |                              |                              | 16.6  |
| PUNT RETURNS  Devin Williams  | Bethel   | 3                      | 5                       | 83                           | 34                           | 16.6<br>13.7                                    |
| PUNT RETURNS  Devin Williams  Dom Mathies   | Bethel<br>Gustavus Adolphus                                  | 3 3 3                  | 5<br>3<br>7             | 83<br>41<br>34               | 34<br>27<br>15               | 16.6<br>13.7<br>4.9                             |
| PUNT RETURNS  Devin Williams  Dom Mathies  Tory Pinkney Jr.  PUNTING                | Bethel<br>Gustavus Adolphus<br>St. Olaf                      | 3<br>3<br>3<br>GP      | 5<br>3<br>7<br>NO       | 83<br>41<br>34<br>YDS        | 34<br>27<br>15<br>LONG       | 16.6<br>13.7<br>4.9<br>AVG/F                    |
| PUNT RETURNS  Devin Williams  Dom Mathies  Tory Pinkney Jr.  PUNTING  Owen Forsythe | Bethel<br>Gustavus Adolphus<br>St. Olaf<br>Gustavus Adolphus | 3<br>3<br>3<br>GP<br>3 | 5<br>3<br>7<br>NO<br>22 | 83<br>41<br>34<br>YDS<br>857 | 34<br>27<br>15<br>LONG<br>50 | AVG/RET<br>16.6<br>13.7<br>4.9<br>AVG/F<br>39.0 |
| PUNT RETURNS  Devin Williams  Dom Mathies  Tory Pinkney Jr.  PUNTING                | Bethel<br>Gustavus Adolphus<br>St. Olaf                      | 3<br>3<br>3<br>GP      | 5<br>3<br>7<br>NO       | 83<br>41<br>34<br>YDS        | 34<br>27<br>15<br>LONG       | 16.6<br>13.7<br>4.9<br>AVG/F                    |

| FIELD GOALS |
|-------------|
|-------------|

|               |                 | GP | MAD | DE ATT | PCT   | LONG |
|---------------|-----------------|----|-----|--------|-------|------|
| Zach Bengston | Bethel          | 3  | 5   | 5      | 1.000 | 31   |
| Ethan Hess    | St. Olaf        | 3  | 4   | 5      | .800  | 42   |
| Jacob Andrews | St. Scholastica | 3  | 4   | 5      | .800  | 42   |

#### SERIES HISTORY

Saturday's game is the 49th meeting between Saint John's and Bethel going back to 1978. The Johnnies are 38-10 all-time against the Royals, including a 16-7 record in Arden Hills. SJU won the first 20 meetings in the series before BU won nine of the next 15 from 1999-2013. The Royals' 28-24 home win over SJU on Sept. 24, 2022, snapped the Johnnies' eight-game win streak in the series. The Johnnies defeated Bethel in all three of the teams' MIAC championship meetings, including a 41-33 victory in the 2024 title game - the last of the MIAC divisional structure.

#### **SERIES NOTES**

Series Record: SJU leads, 38-10 (Current Streak: SJU, 4) at Saint John's: SJU leads, 22-3 (Current Streak: SJU, 6) at Bethel: SJU leads, 15-7 (Current Streak: SJU, 1) Neutral: SJU leads, 1-0 (Current Streak: SJU, 1)

**Last Saint John's Win:** Nov. 16, 2024 (41-33) **Last Bethel Win:** Sept. 24, 2022 (28-24)

Largest Margin of a Saint John's Victory: 65 (1993) Largest Margin of a Bethel Victory: 21 (2011, 2013)

#### **SERIES' TOP PERFORMANCES**

\*by yardage

**Rushing:** SJU, Matt Malmberg, 29-157-2 TD (Sept. 17, 1994)

BET, Mike Johnson, 38-190-0 TD (Oct. 27, 2001)

**Passing:** SJU, Aaron Syverson, 28-38-362-3 TD (Sept. 28, 2024)

**BET**, Scott Kirchoff, 29-49-333-1 TD (Oct. 28, 2000)

Receiving: SJU, Ravi Alston, 9-188-1 TD (Oct. 12, 2019)

BET, Eric Carlson, 7-208-1 TD (Sept. 20, 1986)

#### THE LAST MEETING

at Saint John's 41, Bethel 33 (Nov. 16, 2024)

Bethel forced Saint John's to settle for field goals on a pair of first-half drives, picked up a safety when quarterback **Aaron Syverson** '24 was called for intentional grounding in the end zone, then turned the ensuing possession into a touchdown to take a three-point lead (9-6). But from there, Syverson threw five touchdown passes, and the explosive passing game SJU has thrived on all season proved enough to carry the day in a 41-33 victory before a crowd of 8,639 in Clemens Stadium.

The Royals held the Johnnies to (-9) yards rushing, allowing them to keep constant pressure on Syverson each time he dropped back to pass. But after a 5-yard touchdown run by Aaron Ellingson put Bethel on top 9-6 in the second quarter, Syverson connected with senior **Dylan Wheeler** on a 5-yard touchdown pass that put SJU back in front 13-9 just before halftime. Syverson and Wheeler again connected on a 31-yard touchdown pass (*right*) to extend the lead to 20-9 in the third quarter before the Royals responded with an 8-yard scoring strike from Cooper Drews to Micah Niewald. Then, after touchdown passes of 38 and 22 yards to **Marselio Mendez** '25 - which were sandwiched around a 32-yard field goal from BU's Hugo Cifuentes - SJU's lead grew to 34-19. Mendez finished with seven catches for 154 yards and two touchdowns, including six receptions for 145 yards and the two scores in the second half alone.

But the Royals didn't quit. Drews - a transfer from SJU - connected with Joey Kidder on a 6-yard touchdown pass that cut the gap to 34-26 before Syverson threw a 16-yard touchdown pass to Wheeler to put the Johnnies up 41-26 with 3:18 to play. Bethel wasn't done fighting either though. Drews - who threw for 274 yards and four touchdowns - again found Kidder on a 23-yard touchdown pass to cut the gap to 41-33 with 1:29 to play. But linebacker **Cooper Yaggie** '25 recovered the ensuing onside kick attempt. Yaggie totaled nine tackles (eight solo), including one for a loss, forced a fumble and broke up two passes.

The Royals managed to force an SJU punt and got the ball back at their own 20 with no timeouts and 1:08 remaining before senior cornerback **Blake Simonson** (Waconia, Minn.) came up with a game-sealing interception on 4th-and-9 at the 32. Simonson also broke up four passes. A pair of miscues on special teams led to points for SJU. A fumble recovery by senior defensive lineman **Andrew Molenaar** (Shoreview, Minn./Mounds View) on a kickoff following a 21-yard field goal by **Conor Murphy** '25 in the first quarter set up a 36-yard Murphy field goal early in the second. Then, linebacker **Ben Dahl** '25 recovered a muffed punt at the Bethel 41 in the fourth quarter to set up the 16-yard touchdown pass to Wheeler.

#### SCOUTING THE ROYALS

Bethel advanced to the MIAC Championship last season as the winner of the Skyline Division with an unblemished 4-0 division record (6-2 MIAC, 11-3 overall). The divisional structure of the conference began in 2021 (concluded after the 2024 season), with Bethel earning the Skyline's spot in the championship game every season. Three of those meetings were Saint John's, including last year's

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#### All-Time Series vs. Bethel

| Year  | Result     | Date     | Location     |
|-------|------------|----------|--------------|
| 1978  | SJU, 19-17 | Sept. 30 | Arden Hills  |
| 1979  | SJU, 45-32 | Sept. 29 | Collegeville |
| 1980  | SJU, 42-10 | Oct. 11  | Collegeville |
| 1981  | SJU, 17-6  | Oct. 17  | Arden Hills  |
| 1982  | SJU, 49-21 | Nov. 13  | Arden Hills  |
| 1983  | SJU, 16-0  | Nov. 12  | Collegeville |
| 1984  | SJU, 42-0  | Sept. 15 | Arden Hills  |
| 1985  | SJU, 20-13 | Sept. 14 | Collegeville |
| 1986  | SJU, 41-7  | Oct. 4   | Collegeville |
| 1987  | SJU, 62-9  | Oct. 3   | Arden Hills  |
| 1988  | SJU, 42-7  | Oct. 8   | Collegeville |
| 1989  | SJU, 9-7   | Oct. 7   | Arden Hills  |
| 1990  | SJU, 20-0  | Nov. 3   | Collegeville |
| 1992  | SJU, 34-12 | Oct. 17  | Collegeville |
| 1993  | SJU, 77-12 | Oct. 16  | Arden Hills  |
| 1994  | SJU, 48-20 | Sept. 17 | Collegeville |
| 1995  | SJU, 49-14 | Sept. 16 | Arden Hills  |
| 1996  | SJU, 52-8  | Nov. 2   | Collegeville |
| 1997  | SJU, 17-14 | Nov. 1   | Arden Hills  |
| 1998  | SJU, 19-3  | Oct. 10  | Collegeville |
| 1999  | BU, 24-20  | Oct. 9   | Arden Hills  |
| 2000  | BU, 43-36  | Oct. 28  | Arden Hills  |
| 2001  | SJU, 34-0  | Oct. 27  | Collegeville |
| 2002  | SJU, 31-26 | Nov. 8   | Metrodome    |
| 2003  | SJU, 29-26 | Nov. 8   | Collegeville |
| 2004  | SJU, 37-0  | Oct. 9   | Collegeville |
| 2005  | SJU, 30-9  | Oct. 8   | Arden Hills  |
| 2006  | BU, 28-13  | Nov. 11  | Collegeville |
| 2007  | BU, 17-14  | Nov. 10  | Arden Hills  |
| 2008  | BU, 14-9   | Oct. 4   | Arden Hills  |
| 2009  | SJU, 16-14 | Oct. 3   | Collegeville |
| 2010  | BU, 17-14  | Oct. 2   | Arden Hills  |
| 2011  | BU, 41-20  | Oct. 8   | Collegeville |
| 2012  | BU, 27-22  | Nov. 10  | Arden Hills  |
| 2013  | BU, 28-7   | Nov. 16  | Collegeville |
| 2014  | SJU, 31-8  | Nov. 8   | Collegeville |
| 2015  | SJU, 21-0  | Nov. 7   | Arden Hills  |
| 2016  | SJU, 42-27 | Oct. 1   | Arden Hills  |
| 2017  | SJU, 21-13 | Sept. 30 | Collegeville |
| 2018  | SJU, 34-16 | Oct. 6   | Arden Hills  |
| 2019  | SJU, 19-0  | Oct. 12  | Collegeville |
| 2021  | SJU, 31-25 | Sept. 25 | Collegeville |
| 2021* | SJU, 29-28 | Nov. 13  | Arden Hills  |
| 2022  | BU, 28-24  | Sept. 24 | Arden Hills  |
| 2022* | SJU, 28-10 | Nov. 12  | Collegeville |
| 2023  | SJU, 27-7  | Sept. 23 | Collegeville |
| 2024  | SJU, 45-20 | Sept. 28 | Arden Hills  |
| 2024* | SJU, 41-33 | Nov. 16  | Collegeville |

\*MIAC Championship game







## **LAST MEETING: SAINT JOHN'S 41, BETHEL 33**

Saturday, Nov. 16, 2024 | MIAC Championship

Collegeville, Minn. I Clemens Stadium I Attendance: 8,639

|                               | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Final |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Bethel (8-2, 6-2 MIAC)        | 0   | 9   | 7   | 17  | 33    |
| Saint John's (10-0, 8-0 MIAC) | 3   | 10  | 14  | 14  | 41    |



### **SCORING SUMMARY**

| QTR | TIME  | TEAM |  | DRIVE                        | BU | SJU |
|-----|-------|------|--|------------------------------|----|-----|
| 1st | 02:22 | SJU  | Conor Murphy 21 yd field goal  | 8 plays, 69 yards, TOP 4:23  | 0  | 3   |
| 2nd | 14:42 | SJU  | Conor Murphy 36 yd field goal  | 7 plays, 0 yards, TOP 2:36   | 0  | 6   |
| 2nd | 09:40 | BU   | TEAM -1 yd safety  |                              | 2  | 6   |
| 2nd | 06:28 | BU   | Ellingson, Aaron 5 yd pass from Drews, Cooper (Cifuentes, Hugo kick) | 7 plays, 61 yards, TOP 3:11  | 9  | 6   |
| 2nd | 00:30 | SJU  | Dylan Wheeler 3 yd pass from Aaron Syverson (Conor Murphy kick)      | 11 plays, 65 yards, TOP 2:45 | 9  | 13  |
| 3rd | 10:17 | SJU  | Dylan Wheeler 31 yd pass from Aaron Syverson (Conor Murphy kick)     | 1 plays, 31 yards, TOP 0:06  | 9  | 20  |
| 3rd | 09:14 | BU   | Niewald, Micah 8 yd pass from Drews, Cooper (Cifuentes, Hugo kick)   | 3 plays, 8 yards, TOP 0:46   | 16 | 20  |
| 3rd | 05:23 | SJU  | Marselio Mendez 38 yd pass from Aaron Syverson (Conor Murphy kick)   | 9 plays, 91 yards, TOP 3:45  | 16 | 27  |
| 4th | 14:56 | BU   | Cifuentes, Hugo 32 yd field goal                                     | 14 plays, 61 yards, TOP 5:23 | 19 | 27  |
| 4th | 11:50 | SJU  | Marselio Mendez 22 yd pass from Aaron Syverson (Conor Murphy kick)   | 7 plays, 75 yards, TOP 3:06  | 19 | 34  |
| 4th | 08:19 | BU   | Kidder, Joey 6 yd pass from Drews, Cooper (Cifuentes, Hugo kick)     | 10 plays, 79 yards, TOP 3:29 | 26 | 34  |
| 4th | 03:18 | SJU  | Dylan Wheeler 16 yd pass from Aaron Syverson (Conor Murphy kick)     | 5 plays, 41 yards, TOP 2:36  | 26 | 41  |
| 4th | 01:29 | BU   | Kidder, Joey 23 vd pass from Drews Cooper (Cifuentes Hugo kick)      | 8 plays, 75 yards, TOP 1:48  | 33 | 41  |

#### **TEAM STATISTICS**

|                                | BU      | SJU     |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|
| FIRST DOWNS                    | 24      | 22      |
| Rushing                        | 5       | 1       |
| Passing                        | 17      | 20      |
| Penalty                        | 2       | 1       |
| NET YARDS RUSHING              | 137     | -9      |
| Rushing Attempts               | 30      | 27      |
| Average Per Rush               | 4.6     | -0.3    |
| Rushing Touchdowns             | 0       | 0       |
| Yards Gained Rushing           | 146     | 49      |
| Yards Lost Rushing             | 9       | 58      |
| NET YARDS PASSING              | 274     | 419     |
| Completions-Attempts-Int       | 32-49-1 | 32-44-0 |
| Average Per Attempt            | 5.6     | 9.5     |
| Average Per Completion         | 8.6     | 13.1    |
| Passing Touchdowns             | 4       | 5       |
| TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS            | 411     | 410     |
| Total offense plays            | 79      | 71      |
| Average Gain Per Play          | 5.2     | 5.8     |
| Fumbles: Number-Lost           | 4-3     | 1-0     |
| Penalties: Number-Yards        | 4-40    | 8-45    |
| PUNTS-YARDS                    | 2-47    | 4-136   |
| Average Yards Per Punt         | 23.5    | 34.0    |
| Net Yards Per Punt             | 10.0    | 28.2    |
| Inside 20                      | 0       | 0       |
| 50+ Yards                      | 0       | 0       |
| Touchbacks                     | 0       | 1       |
| Fair catch                     | 0       | 0       |
| KICKOFFS-YARDS                 | 5-297   | 9-439   |
| Average Yards Per Kickoff      | 59.4    | 48.8    |
| Net Yards Per Kickoff          | 42.0    | 30.4    |
| Touchbacks                     | 1       | 0       |
| Fair Catch Yards               | 0       | 0       |
| Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD  | 2-3-0   | 1-27-0  |
| Average Per Return             | 1.5     | 27.0    |
| Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD | 9-165-0 | 4-62-0  |
| Average Per Return             | 18.3    | 15.5    |
| Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD   | 0-0-0   | 1-3-0   |
| Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD  | 0-0-0   | 0-0-0   |
| Miscellaneous Yards            | 0       | 0       |
| Possession Time                | 28:25   | 31:35   |
| 1st Quarter                    | 3:32    | 11:28   |
| 2nd Quarter                    | 9:55    | 5:05    |
| 3rd Quarter                    | 8:41    | 6:19    |
| 4th Quarter                    | 6:17    | 8:43    |
| Third-Down Conversions         | 6 of 14 | 5 of 14 |
| Fourth-Down Conversions        | 2 of 5  | 1 of 2  |
| Red-Zone Scores-Chances        | 4-5     | 4-4     |
| Touchdowns                     | 3-5     | 2-4     |
| Field goals                    | 1-5     | 2-4     |
| Sacks By: Number-Yards         | 8-54    | 2-9     |
| PAT Kicks                      | 4-4     | 5-5     |
|                                |         |         |
| Field Goals                    | 1-1     | 2-2     |

#### **PASSING STATS**

|                | CMP-ATT-INT | YDS | TD | LONG | SACK |  |
|----------------|-------------|-----|----|------|------|--|
| Aaron Syverson | 32-44-0     | 419 | 5  | 38   | 8    |  |
| TOTALS         | 32-44-0     | 419 | 5  | 38   | 8    |  |

#### **RUSHING STATS**

|                | NO. | GAIN | LOSS | NET | TD | LONG | AVG. |
|----------------|-----|------|------|-----|----|------|------|
| Will Blakey    | 15  | 30   | 3    | 27  | 0  | 5    | 1.8  |
| TEAM           | 1   | 0    | 1    | -1  | 0  | 0    | -1.0 |
| Aaron Syverson | 11  | 19   | 54   | -35 | 0  | 9    | -3.2 |
| TOTALS         | 27  | 49   | 58   | -9  | 0  | 9    | -0.3 |

#### **RECEIVING STATS**

|                     | NO. | YDS | TD | LONG |
|---------------------|-----|-----|----|------|
| Dylan Wheeler       | 9   | 115 | 3  | 31   |
| Joey Gendreau       | 9   | 69  | 0  | 12   |
| Marselio Mendez     | 7   | 154 | 2  | 38   |
| Zach Frank          | 2   | 33  | 0  | 17   |
| Riley Schwellenbach | 2   | 16  | 0  | 11   |
| Charlie King        | 1   | 29  | 0  | 29   |
| Owen Amrhein        | 1   | 2   | 0  | 2    |
| Corey Bohmert       | 1   | 1   | 0  | 1    |
| TOTALS              | 32  | 419 | 5  | 38   |

#### **DEFENSE STATS**

|                    | SOL | O AST | TOT | TFL/YDS | SK/YDS | FF | FR/YDS | INT | BR | BLK | QBH |
|--------------------|-----|-------|-----|---------|--------|----|--------|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Cooper Yaggie      | 8   | 1     | 9   | 1.0/2   | -/-    | 1  | -/-    | -   | 2  | -   | -   |
| Westin Hoyt        | 5   | 4     | 9   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -   | 2  | -   | -   |
| Aiden McMahon      | 5   | 4     | 9   | 1.0/5   | 1.0/5  | -  | -/-    | -   | -  | -   | -   |
| Hayden Sanders     | -   | 6     | 6   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -   | -  | -   | -   |
| Jack St. Fleur     | 2   | 3     | 5   | -/-     | -/-    | 1  | -/-    | -   | -  | -   | -   |
| Will Peroutka      | 4   | 1     | 5   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -   | -  | -   | -   |
| Noah Arneson       | 3   | 2     | 5   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -   | -  | -   | -   |
| Blake Simonson     | 3   | 2     | 5   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | 1-3 | 4  | -   | -   |
| Jake Schwinghammer | 3   | 2     | 5   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -   | -  | -   | -   |
| D.J. Myles         | 1   | 4     | 5   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -   | -  | -   | -   |
| Isaac Hetland      | 3   | 2     | 5   | 1.0/4   | 1.0/4  | -  | -/-    | -   | -  | -   | -   |
| Landon Gallagher   | 2   | 2     | 4   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -   | -  | -   | -   |
| Andrew Molenaar    | 1   | 2     | 3   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | 1/-    | -   | -  | -   | -   |
| Zach Frank         | 1   | 1     | 2   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -   | -  | -   | -   |
| Joe Akoh           | 1   | -     | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | 1/-    | -   | 1  | -   | -   |
| Conor Murphy       | 1   | -     | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -   | -  | -   | -   |
| Hudson Poole       | 1   | -     | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -   | -  | -   | -   |
| Drew Bramlett      | -   | 1     | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -   | -  | -   | -   |
| Ben Dahl           | -   | 1     | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | 1/-    | -   | -  | -   | -   |

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title game, which ended in a 41-33 SJU victory. Since 2015, Bethel has posted a 55-19 conference record (including fall 2025), with 11 of those 19 losses coming at the hands of the Johnnies. Saint John's (11), Concordia (3) and Augsburg (1) are the only active MIAC institutions with a win over the Royals in the last 10 years.

Bethel was one of 12 teams to earn an at-large bid into the expanded 40-team NCAA Division III Football Championship in 2024. The Royals defeated No. 25 Coe (lowa) in a home game in the first round and hosted Lake Forest (III.) for a 48-21 second round win. BU upset No. 11 Wartburg (lowa) on the road in the third round, 24-14, before falling to Susquehanna (Pa.) a week after the No. 6 River Hawks knocked SJU out of postseason play.

Through three games this season, Bethel is second in the MIAC in offensive production, averaging 51.0 points and 518.7 yards per game. Defensively, the Royals boast the second-best rush defense in NCAA DIII (15.7 yards allowed/game) but rank 132nd in passing defense (205.3 yards allowed/game).

The 2024 consensus Division III Defensive Player of the Year, safety Matt Jung highlighted the Bethel stat report last season after collecting nine interceptions, four of which he returned for a touchdown. Jung transferred to DI (FBS) Wisconsin in the spring, shortly before he was named the Cliff Harris Award winner, given to the small college defensive player of the year.

Senior defensive back Devin Williams has stepped up in his absence, collecting 14 tackles (nine solo), an interception and two pass break-ups in three games this season. Junior linebacker Jake Borman leads the team with 19 tackles (11 solo), while junior defensive lineman Phil Conant has 9.5 tackles for loss and four sacks for 27 yards.

Offensively, the Royals retained their starting quarterback from last season, junior Cooper Drews, who transferred to Bethel from SJU for the 2024 season. Drews has completed 68 of 115 passes with one interception in three starts this fall. Drews has thrown for 795 yards and nine touchdowns, accounting for 115 of BU's 120 passing plays. His top targets have been junior wide receivers Albert Rundell (27 receptions for 358 yards) and Tyler Terry (20 receptions for 239 yards). Freshman Taye Manns leads the ground attack with 342 yards on 51 carries with five scores. He averages 6.7 yards per carry with a long of 68.

Mike McElroy is in his second season as Bethel's head coach in 2025. McElroy is 14-3 overall as a head coach, and his 2024 squad led the nation in three statistical categories (interceptions, sacks and turnovers gained). McElroy served as BU's defensive coordinator for seven seasons under Steve Johnson.

Prior to joining the Royals, McElroy was the defensive coordinator at Division II Concordia-St. Paul in 2016 and served as an assistant for two seasons at the University of Minnesota. A graduate of DI (FCS) Southern Illinois, McElroy was a starter at strong safety and two-year captain for the Salukis, where he was a finalist for the Buck Buchanan Award (FCS Player of the Year) in 2010.

#### THE LAST GAME

#### at Saint John's 63, Augsburg 0 (Sept. 27)

The Saint John's defense held steadfast with its third consecutive shutout to start the season, defeating Augsburg on Homecoming weekend at Clemens Stadium on Saturday, Sept. 27. The SJU defense allowed just 133 total yards and 27 on the ground, pushing its season point differential to 171-0. It's the program's best defensive start since 1965, a season that ended in a national title.

Saint John's improved to 3-0 (2-0 MIAC) behind another balanced offensive performance between a pair of rotating quarterbacks. Senior **Zander Dittbenner** and junior **Trey Feeney** combined for over 350 passing yards and three scores, while Dittbenner added two of his own touchdowns on the ground. Senior tight end **Joey Gendreau** posted his third 100-yard game of the year, collecting career highs in catches (10) and yards (166) with a touchdown.

The run game contributed 257 yards, with senior **Caden Wheeler** (Andover, Minn.) scoring twice and junior **Corey Bohmert** (Mahtomedi, Minn.) adding a fourth-quarter touchdown. Defensively, junior **Peyton Goettlicher** (Mankato, Minn./West) and sophomore **Landon Danner** (Rosemount, Minn.) led with five tackles each, while senior **Zach Frank** collected two sacks for 11 yards. The Johnnies racked up a season-high 624 yards of offense and scored on nine of ten possessions.

#### Bethel 62, at Hamline 12 (Sept. 27)

Hamline struggled to control No. 11/12 Bethel's run game on Saturday, Sept. 27, as the Royals rushed for 280 yards and eight touchdowns in a 62-12 win at Klas Field in St. Paul. Bethel pulled away with a 27-0 lead in the first half.

The Pipers (1-2, 0-2 MIAC) managed to move the ball through the air against Bethel, as quarterbacks Zayden Stevens and Jacob Aki combined for 432 passing yards, with fifth-year wide receiver Dawson Schaffer accounting for 210 of them.

Bethel freshman Taye Manns led the run game with 155 yards on 13 carries with three touchdowns. David Geebli carried the ball 18 times for 63 yards and three scores, while two other running backs had a touchdown. Junior quarterback Cooper Drews, an SJU transfer, completed 14 of 25 passes for 184 yards and one touchdown. Albert Rundell was his top target, catching nine passes with 140 yards and a TD with a long of 36.

Defensively, Phil Conant collected 11 tackles (nine solo) and four sacks for 27 yards. Marcus Whiting and Seth Johnson each had a sack, while the Royals totaled three interceptions and five pass break-ups.

### **Current Statistical Leaders**

#### THE ROYALS' STAT LEADERS

| Rushing      | Gms. | Att. | Yds. | Avg. | TD | Long |
|--------------|------|------|------|------|----|------|
| Taye Manns   | 3    | 61   | 342  | 6.7  | 5  | 68   |
| David Geebli | 3    | 43   | 243  | 5.7  | 4  | 54   |
| Riley Gritz  | 3    | 16   | 100  | 6.3  | 0  | 17   |

| Cooper Drews | 3    | 115  | 68   |      | 9  | 795  |
|--------------|------|------|------|------|----|------|
| Receiving    | Gms. | Rec. | Yds. | Avg. | TD | Long |

| 27 3 | 358 | 13.26         | 4                        | 41                           |
|------|-----|---------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| 20 2 | 239 | 11.95         | 3                        | 40                           |
| 10 9 | 91  | 9.10          | 1                        | 21                           |
| 2 3  | 35  | 17.50         | 0                        | 22                           |
| 2    | 0 9 | 0 239<br>0 91 | 0 239 11.95<br>0 91 9.10 | 0 239 11.95 3<br>0 91 9.10 1 |

| Defense        | Solo | Asst. | Total | TFL    | Sacks  | Int. |
|----------------|------|-------|-------|--------|--------|------|
| Jake Borman    | 11   | 8     | 19.0  | 2.5/15 | 1.5/13 |      |
| Phil Conant    | 12   | 5     | 17.0  | 9.5/37 | 4.0/27 |      |
| Devin Williams | 9    | 5     | 14.0  |        |        | 1    |
| Jackson Braun  | 9    | 4     | 13.0  | 0.5/1  |        |      |
| Marcus Whiting | 7    | 6     | 13.0  | 4.5/13 | 1.5/9  |      |
| Will Barthel   | 10   | 2     | 12.0  |        |        |      |
| Abdallah Abed  | 9    | 2     | 11.0  | 1.5/2  |        | 1    |

#### THE JOHNNIES' STAT LEADERS

| Rushing           | Gms. | Att. | Yds. | Avg. | TD | Long |
|-------------------|------|------|------|------|----|------|
| Corey Bohmert     | 3    | 21   | 195  | 9.3  | 4  | 29   |
| Caden Wheeler     | 2    | 20   | 168  | 8.4  | 4  | 25   |
| Zander Dittbenner | 3    | 11   | 75   | 6.8  | 4  | 21   |
| Dylan Kirchner    | 3    | 13   | 74   | 5.7  | 0  | 14   |
| Wyatt McCabe      | 3    | 6    | 48   | 8.0  | 0  | 25   |

| Passing           | Gms. | Att. | Comp. | Int. | TD | Yards |  |
|-------------------|------|------|-------|------|----|-------|--|
| Trey Feeney       | 3    | 54   | 40    | 0    | 6  | 568   |  |
| Zander Dittbenner | 3    | 36   | 24    | 1    | 3  | 437   |  |
| Lucas Jansky      | 3    | 8    | 6     | 0    | 1  | 74    |  |
| Reece Dawson      | 1    | 1    | 1     | n    | 1  | 20    |  |

| Receiving           | Gms. | Rec. | Yds. | Avg. | TD | Long |
|---------------------|------|------|------|------|----|------|
| Joey Gendreau       | 3    | 27   | 427  | 15.8 | 3  | 43   |
| Dylan Wheeler       | 3    | 16   | 204  | 12.8 | 5  | 29   |
| Riley Schwellenbach | 3    | 9    | 243  | 27.0 | 0  | 53   |
| Caden Wheeler       | 2    | 3    | 44   | 14.7 | 0  | 17   |

| Defense            | Solo | Asst. | Total | TFL    | Sacks  | Int. |
|--------------------|------|-------|-------|--------|--------|------|
| Aiden McMahon      | 10   | 7     | 17.0  | 1.0/1  |        |      |
| Peyton Goettlicher | 10   | 4     | 14.0  | 1.5/4  |        |      |
| Landon Danner      | 8    | 6     | 14.0  | 2.0/4  | 0.5/1  |      |
| Grady Minnerath    | 4    | 6     | 10.0  | 4.0/27 | 2.5/21 |      |
| Jawahn Cockfield   | 3    | 5     | 8.0   | 1.0/1  |        |      |
| 7ach Frank         | 6    | 2     | 8.0   | 6.5/32 | 4.5/26 |      |



#### FASCHING'S COACHING RECORD

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|-------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| 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 (.5                 | 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                       | olass b state onampions |
| 1995  | St. Cloud Cathedral  | Head Coach            | 7-4                       |                         |
| 1333  | ot. oluuu vatiitulal | Hoad Obacii           | 57-46 (.5                 | (52)                    |
| 1996  | Saint John's         | Defensive Assistant   | <i>97-40 (.</i> 3<br>11-1 | MIAC Champions, NCAA    |
| 1996  | Saint John's         | Defensive Assistant   | 6-4                       | WIAG GRAITIPIONS, NGAA  |
|       |                      |                       |                           | MIAC Champions NCAA     |
| 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            | 11-1                      | MIAC Champions, NCAA    |
| 2022* | Saint John's         | Head Coach            | 10-2                      | MIAC Champions, NCAA    |
| 2023  | Saint John's         | Head Coach            | 8-2                       | Pr                      |
| 2024* | Saint John's         | Head Coach            | 11-1                      | MIAC Champions, NCAA    |
| 2025  | Saint John's         | Head Coach            | 3-0                       |                         |
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113-20 (.850)

\*MIAC Coach of the Year



| Born     | Sept. 30, 1958                    |
|----------|-----------------------------------|
| Hometow  | vn Winsted, Minn.                 |
| High Sch | ool Holy Trinity, 1977            |
| Wife     | Cindy                             |
| Children | daughters, Laura and Megan        |
|          | sons, Jeff, Ryan and Scott        |
| Degrees  |                                   |
| Sports   | Management; St. Cloud State, 2000 |
|          |                                   |

#### **DURING FASCHING'S TENURE ON STAFF**

| All-Americans                        | 82 (79 football, 3 track & field)      |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Academic All-Americans               | 29                                     |
| <b>All-MIAC First-Team Selection</b> | ons 225                                |
| MIAC Championships                   | 16                                     |
| 1996, 1998, 1999, 2001, 2002         | 2, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2014, |
| 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2024         | 1                                      |
| Postseason Appearances               | 21                                     |
| 1996, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001         | , 2002, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008,  |
| 2009, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017         | 7, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2024        |

#### **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.

#### HALL OF FAMER & COACH OF THE YEAR

Fasching was inducted into the Minnesota Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame in April 2022 and and St. Cloud Cathedral's Athletic Hall of Fame in February 2022. He is a seven-time MIAC Coach of the Year: 2014, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022 and 2024.

## SJU'S RECORD UNDER HEAD COACH GARY FASCHING

| SJU'S RECORD UN                                       | DEK H      | EAD        | CO         | ACH        | I GA       | RY F         | <b>ASC</b>   | HIN         | G          |            |              |            |                |
|---|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|----------------|
| Category  | 2013       | 2014       | 2015       | 2016       | 2017       | 2018         | 2019         | 2021        | 2022       | 2023       | 2024         | 2025       | TOTAL          |
| Record  | 7-3        | 10-2       | 10-2       | 10-2       | 9-2        | 12-1         | 12-2         | 11-1        | 10-2       | 8-2        | 11-1         | 3-0        | 113-20         |
| MIAC  | 5-3        | 7-1        | 7-1        | 7-1        | 7-1        | 8-0          | 7-1          | 8-0         | 7-1        | 7-1        | 8-0          | 2-0        | 80-10          |
| Non-Conference (Regular Season)                       | 2-0        | 2-0        | 2-0        | 2-0        | 2-0        | 2-0          | 2-0          | 2-0         | 2-0        | 1-1        | 2-0          | 1-0        | 22-1           |
| Postseason  |            | 1-1        | 1-1        | 1-1        | 0-1        | 2-1          | 3-1          | 1-1         | 1-1        |            | 1-1          |            | 11-9           |
| Home  | 3-2        | 5-1        | 6-1        | 5-1        | 6-0        | 8-0          | 5-1          | 7-1         | 7-1        | 5-0        | 7-1          | 2-0        | 66-9           |
| Away  | 4-1        | 5-1        | 4-1        | 5-1        | 3-1        | 3-1          | 6-1          | 4-0         | 3-1        | 3-2        | 4-0          | 1-0        | 45-10          |
| Neutral Ranked (AFCA/D3football.com)                  | 2-2        | 7-1        | 10-2       | 10-2       | 0-1<br>9-2 | 1-0<br>12-1  | 1-0<br>12-2  | 11-1        | 10-2       | 8-2        | 11-1         | 3-0        | 2-1<br>105-18  |
| vs. Ranked (AFCA/D3football.com)                      | 1-1        | 2-1        | 2-2        | 1-2        | 1-2        | 2-1          | 4-1          | 4-1         | 3-2        | 2-1        | 4-1          | 3-U<br>    | 26-15          |
| Ranked vs. Ranked                                     |            | 1-1        | 1-2        | 1-2        | 1-2        | 2-1          | 4-1          | 4-1         | 3-2        | 2-1        | 4-1          |            | 23-14          |
| (AFCA/D3football.com)                                 |            |            | 1 2        | 1 2        | 12         | 21           | 7.           | 7.          | 3 2        | 2 1        | 71           |            | 25 14          |
| Score First   | 5-1        | 8-0        | 8-0        | 8-0        | 9-1        | 11-0         | 8-2          | 9-1         | 7-1        | 5-1        | 8-1          | 3-0        | 89-8           |
| Opponent Score First                                  | 2-2        | 2-2        | 2-2        | 2-2        | 0-1        | 1-1          | 4-0          | 2-0         | 3-1        | 3-1        | 3-0          |            | 24-12          |
| Leading at Half                                       | 5-1        | 8-0        | 10-0       | 9-0        | 8-0        | 12-0         | 9-0          | 9-0         | 10-1       | 7-0        | 10-0         | 3-0        | 100-2          |
| Trailing at Half                                      | 1-2        | 1-1        | 0-1        | 1-2        | 0-2        | 0-1          | 3-2          | 2-1         | 0-1        | 1-1        |              |            | 9-14           |
| Tied at Half  | 1-0        | 1-1        | 0-1        |            | 1-0        |              |              |             |            | 0-1        | 1-1          |            | 4-4            |
| Leading after Third Quarter                           | 5-1        | 10-0       | 10-0       | 9-0        | 9-0        | 12-0         | 11-0         | 10-0        | 10-1       | 7-0        | 10-0         | 3-0        | 106-2          |
| Trailing after Third Quarter Tied after Third Quarter | 1-2<br>1-0 | 0-1<br>0-1 | 0-2        | 1-2        | 0-2        | 0-1          | 1-1<br>0-1   | 1-1         | 0-1        | 1-2        | 1-1          |            | 6-16<br>1-2    |
| Overtime  | 0-1        | 0-1        |            |            |            |              | 0-1          |             |            | 1-0        |              |            | 1-2            |
| Overunie  |            |            |            |            |            |              |              |             |            |            |              |            |                |
| September   | 3-1        | 3-1        | 3-1        | 3-1        | 4-1        | 4-0          | 3-0          | 3-0         | 2-1        | 3-1        | 3-0          | 3-0        | 37-7           |
| October   | 3-0        | 3-0        | 4-0        | 4-0        | 3-0        | 4-0          | 4-0          | 5-0         | 5-0        | 3-1        | 4-0          |            | 42-1           |
| November  | 1-2        | 4-1        | 3-1        | 3-1        | 2-1        | 4-0          | 4-1          | 3-1         | 3-1        | 2-0        | 4-0          |            | 33-9           |
| December  |            |            |            |            |            | 0-1          | 1-1          |             |            |            | 0-1          |            | 1-3            |
| Scoring less than 20 points                           | 2-2        | 0-2        | 0-2        | 0-1        | 1-2        | 0-1          | 2-1          |             |            |            |              |            | 6-11           |
| Scoring 20+ points                                    | 5-1        | 10-0       | 10-0       | 10-1       | 8-0        | 12-0         | 10-1         | 11-1        | 10-2       | 8-2        | 11-1         | 3-0        | 108-9          |
| Scoring 30+ points                                    | 2-0        | 5-0        | 8-0        | 9-0        | 7-0        | 11-0         | 10-1         | 10-0        | 8-0        | 6-1        | 10-1         | 3-0        | 89-3           |
| Scoring 40+ points                                    | 6-0        | 2-0<br>9-0 | 8-0<br>8-0 | 8-0<br>8-0 | 6-0<br>9-1 | 10-0<br>9-0  | 7-0<br>7-1   | 6-0<br>8-0  | 6-0<br>8-0 | 5-0<br>4-0 | 8-0<br>7-0   | 3-0<br>3-0 | 68-0<br>86-2   |
| Allowing less than 20 points                          | 1-3        | 1-2        | 2-2        | 2-2        | 0-1        | 3-1          | 5-1          | 3-1         | 2-2        | 4-0        | 4-1          | 3-0        | 27-18          |
| Allowing 20+ points Allowing 30+ points               | 1-3        |            | 0-2        | 1-2        |            |              | 2-1          | 1-1         | 1-0        | 1-2        | 2-1          |            | 8-9            |
| Rushing for less than 100 yards                       | 1-1        | 0-1        | 0-2        | 1-1        | 1-1        | 1-1          | 4-1          | 0-1         | 4-1        | 4-2        | 3-1          |            | 19-13          |
| Rushing for 100+ yards                                | 6-2        | 10-1       | 10-0       | 9-1        | 8-1        | 11-0         | 8-1          | 11-0        | 6-1        | 4-0        | 8-0          | 3-0        | 94-7           |
| Rushing for 200+ yards                                | 2-0        | 7-0        | 8-0        | 7-0        | 6-0        | 5-0          | 3-1          | 6-0         | 2-0        | 2-0        | 2-0          | 1-0        | 51-1           |
| 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         | 9-1         | 10-2       | 8-2        | 11-1         | 3-0        | 85-13          |
| Passing for 300+ yards                                |            |            |            | 1-0        | 1-0        | 3-1          | 9-2          | 3-0         | 5-1        | 6-0        | 10-1         | 2-0        | 40-5           |
| Passing for 400+ yards                                |            |            |            |            |            | 1-1          | 6-0          | 1-0         |            | 3-0        | 4-1          | 1-0        | 16-2           |
| Totaling less than 200 yards                          |            |            |            |            | 0-1        |              |              |             |            |            |              |            | 0-1            |
| Totaling 200+ yards                                   | 7-3        | 10-2       | 10-2       | 10-2       | 9-1        | 12-1         | 12-2         | 11-1        | 10-2       | 8-2        | 11-1         | 3-0        | 113-19         |
| Totaling 300+ yards Totaling 400+ yards               | 6-2<br>1-0 | 9-1<br>3-0 | 9-0<br>7-0 | 9-1<br>8-0 | 8-0<br>6-0 | 12-1<br>10-1 | 12-2<br>10-1 | 10-1<br>9-0 | 9-2<br>4-1 | 8-1<br>6-0 | 11-1<br>11-1 | 3-0<br>3-0 | 106-12<br>79-4 |
| 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         |            | 2-0        | 5-0          | 3-0        | 36-0           |
| Allowing less than 300 yards                          | 3-1        | 6-0        | 5-0        | 7-0        | 9-0        | 7-0          | 6-1          | 9-1         | 7-0        | 6-0        | 6-0          | 3-0        | 74-3           |
| Allowing 300+ yards                                   | 4-2        | 4-2        | 5-2        | 3-2        | 0-2        | 5-1          | 6-1          | 2-0         | 3-2        | 2-2        | 5-1          |            | 39-17          |
| Having a 100-yard Rusher                              | 2-0        | 10-0       | 8-0        | 1-1        | 3-1        | 2-0          | 1-1          | 5-0         | 0-1        |            | 2-0          |            | 34-4           |
| 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         | 6-1        | 5-1        | 9-1          | 3-0        | 53-7           |
| Having a 200-yard Receiver                            |            |            |            |            |            | 1-0          | 1-0          |             |            | 1-0        |              |            | 3-0            |
| Opponent 100-yard Rusher Opponent 100-yard Receiver   | 4-0<br>2-1 | 1-1<br>3-0 | 1-2<br>4-0 | 1-2<br>2-0 | 0-1<br>1-0 | 2-0<br>3-0   | 2-0<br>3-0   | 1-0<br>3-1  | 1-0<br>3-1 | 0-1<br>1-1 | 1-1<br>4-1   |            | 14-8<br>29-5   |
| No Turnovers  | 1-0        | 5-0        | 4-0        | 3-0        | 3-1        | 6-0          | 3-0          | 2-0         | 2-0        | 2-0        | 3-0          | 1-0        | 35-1           |
| Less than 3 Turnovers                                 | 3-3        | 9-2        | 10-0       | 9-1        | 9-2        | 10-0         | 11-1         | 10-0        | 8-1        | 8-2        | 10-1         | 1-0        | 98-13          |
| 3+ Turnovers  | 4-0        | 1-0        | 0-2        | 1-1        | J-Z        | 2-1          | 1-1          | 1-1         | 2-1        |            | 1-0          | 1-0        | 14-7           |
| No Takeaways  | 2-0        | 1-1        | 1-1        |            | 1-0        | 1-1          | 3-0          | 1-1         | 1-0        | 1-1        | 3-0          |            | 15-5           |
| Less than 3 Takeaways                                 | 3-2        | 4-2        | 6-2        | 6-2        | 5-2        | 7-1          | 7-2          | 8-1         | 7-2        | 6-1        | 7-1          | 2-0        | 68-18          |
| 3+ Takeaways  | 4-1        | 6-0        | 4-0        | 4-0        | 4-0        | 5-0          | 5-0          | 3-0         | 3-0        | 2-1        | 4-0          | 1-0        | 45-2           |
| 30:00+ Possession                                     | 4-2        | 7-1        | 4-0        | 10-1       | 7-0        | 5-0          | 4-1          | 8-1         | 5-1        | 6-0        | 8-0          | 2-0        | 70-7           |
| Less than 30:00 Possession                            | 3-1        | 3-1        | 6-2        | 0-1        | 2-2        | 7-1          | 8-1          | 3-0         | 5-1        | 2-2        | 3-1          | 1-0        | 43-13          |

# WINS IN FIRST 11 SEASONS/133 GAMES Gary Fasching is off to the best start, in regard to wins, by any head coach in program

**Gary Fasching** is off to the best start, in regard to wins, by any head coach in program history. That history, of course, includes the likes of college football's all-time wins leader, **John Gagliardi**. Fasching is also ahead of Gagliardi's pace when it comes to their first 133 games coached at SJU.

Among SJU Football Coaches With Six Seasons Coached or More

| Coach          | First 11 Seasons | First 133 Games | Total at SJU      |
|----------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Gary Fasching  | 110-20 (.846)    | 113-20 (.850)   | 113-20 (.850)     |
| John Gagliardi | 67-23-2 (.739)   | 93-37-3 (.711)  | 465-132-10 (.774) |
| Joe Benda      | 42-26-8 (.605)   |                 | 57-32-8 (.629)    |

## SJU'S HEAD FOOTBALL COACHES

#### 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 (13)              | 113-20-0 (.850)   |

#### **WINS - OVERALL**

| 1. | John Gagliardi | 465 |  |
|----|----------------|-----|--|
| 2. | Gary Fasching  | 113 |  |
| 3  | .loe Benda     | 57  |  |

#### PCT. - OVERALL (min. 15 games)

| 1. | Gary Fasching      | .850 (113-20)     |
|----|--------------------|-------------------|
| 2. | John Gagliardi     | .774 (465-132-10) |
| 3. | George Durenberger | .661 (20-10-1)    |

#### WINS - MIAC

| 1. | John Gagliardi | 362 |  |
|----|----------------|-----|--|
| 2. | Gary Fasching  | 80  |  |
| 3. | Joe Benda      | 35  |  |

#### PCT. - MIAC (min. 10 games)

| 1. | Gary Fasching      | .889 (80-10)    |
|----|--------------------|-----------------|
| 2. | John Gagliardi     | .780 (362-99-9) |
| 3. | George Durenberger | .625 (12-7-1)   |

#### WINS - HOME

| 1. | John Gagliardi | 241 |  |
|----|----------------|-----|--|
| 2. | Gary Fasching  | 66  |  |
| 3. | Joe Benda      | 30  |  |

#### PCT. - HOME (min. 15 games)

| 1. | Gary Fasching  | .880 (66-9)     |
|----|----------------|-----------------|
| 2. | John Gagliardi | .818 (241-52-4) |
| 3. | Joe Benda      | .722 (30-10-5)  |



# **FASCHING VS. THE OPPONENTS**

| OPPONENT                  | OVERALL |      | AWAY  | NEUTRAL |
|---------------------------|---------|------|-------|---------|
| Augsburg                  | 12-0    | 7-0  | 5-0   |         |
| Aurora, III.              | 2-0     | 2-0  |       |         |
| Bethel                    | 12-2    | 7-1  | 5-1   |         |
| Buena Vista, Iowa         | 2-0     | 1-0  | 1-0   |         |
| Carleton                  | 11-0    | 5-0  | 6-0   |         |
| Carthage, Wis.            | 1-0     | 1-0  |       |         |
| Chapman, Calif.           | 1-0     |      | 1-0   |         |
| Concordia-Moorhead        | 9-3     | 3-3  | 6-0   |         |
| Dubuque, Iowa             | 2-0     | 2-0  |       |         |
| Gustavus Adolphus         | 9-2     | 5-0  | 3-2   | 1-0     |
| Hamline                   | 8-0     | 4-0  | 4-0   |         |
| Lake Forest, III.         | 1-0     | 1-0  |       |         |
| Linfield, Ore.            | 0-1     | 0-1  |       |         |
| Martin Luther             | 2-0     | 2-0  |       |         |
| Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas | 0-1     |      | 0-1   |         |
| Minnesota-Morris          | 1-0     | 1-0  |       |         |
| North Central, III.       | 0-1     |      | 0-1   |         |
| Northwestern              | 1-0     | 1-0  |       |         |
| Presentation, S.D.        | 1-0     | 1-0  |       |         |
| Rose-Hulman, Ind.         | 1-0     | 1-0  |       |         |
| St. Olaf                  | 11-0    | 5-0  | 6-0   |         |
| St. Scholastica           | 7-0     | 5-0  | 2-0   |         |
| St. Thomas                | 4-4     | 1-2  | 2-1   | 1-1     |
| Susquehanna, Pa.          | 0-1     | 0-1  |       |         |
| Thomas More, Ky.          | 1-0     | 1-0  |       |         |
| Trinity, Texas            | 1-0     | 1-0  |       |         |
| Wartburg, Iowa            | 1-2     | 1-1  | 0-1   |         |
| Wheaton, III.             | 1-0     |      | 1-0   |         |
| Whitworth, Wash.          | 1-0     | 1-0  |       |         |
| UW-Eau Claire             | 2-0     | 1-0  | 1-0   |         |
| UW-La Crosse              | 1-0     | 1-0  |       |         |
| UW-Oshkosh                | 0-1     |      | 0-1   |         |
| UW-Platteville            | 1-0     | 1-0  |       |         |
| UW-River Falls            | 3-0     | 2-0  | 1-0   |         |
| UW-Stout                  | 2-0     | 1-0  | 1-0   |         |
| UW-Whitewater             | 1-2     | 1-0  | 0-2   |         |
| TOTAL                     | 113-20  | 66-9 | 45-10 | 2-1     |

# **WINNINGEST ACTIVE COACHES**

#### BY PERCENTAGE

This list includes all coaches with at least five seasons at four-year colleges regardless of division or association.

\*entering the 2025 season

| Name                                   | Yrs. (Seasons) | Record (Pct.)   |
|--|----------------|-----------------|
| 1. Geoff Dartt, Mount Union (Ohio)     | 5              | 56-4-0 (.933)   |
| 2. Kalen DeBoer, Alabama               | 10             | 114-16-0 (.877) |
| 3. Ryan Day, Ohio State                | 7              | 70-10-0 (.875)  |
| 4. Tony Annese, Ferris State (Mich.)   | 12             | 137-21-0 (.867) |
| 5. Brett Dietz, DePauw (Ind.)          | 5              | 41-7-0 (.854)   |
| 6. Jeff Devanney, Trinity (Conn.)      | 18             | 128-23-0 (.848) |
| 7. Kirby Smart, Georgia                | 9              | 105-19-0 (.847) |
| 8. Gary Fasching, Saint John's (Minn.) | 11             | 110-20-0 (.846) |
| 9. Matt Entz, Fresno State (Calif.)    | 5              | 60-11-0 (.845)  |
| 10. Joseph Smith, Linfield (Ore.)      | 18             | 166-31-0 (.843) |
| 11. Paul Simmons, Harding (Ark.)       | 7              | 77-15-0 (.837)  |
| 12. Don Beebe, Aurora (III.)           | 6              | 51-10-0 (.836)  |
| 13. Nate Milne, Muhlenberg (Pa.)       | 6              | 60-13-0 (.822)  |
| 14. Duke Greco, West Chester (Pa.)     | 10             | 95-21-0 (.819)  |
| 15. Mike Jacobs, Mercer (Ga.)          | 9              | 85-20-0 (.810)  |

## **ASSISTANT COACHES**

## **BRANDON NOVAK**



#### Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Backs

Saint John's '01, 26th season

Novak is in his 26th season as an assistant coach for the Johnnies in 2025. A 2001 graduate of SJU, Novak was named the MIAC Most Valuable Player as a linebacker in 1999 and a two-time, first-team All-America selection. He coached linebackers for 11 seasons but transitioned to the offensive side of the ball to coach running backs in 2012, only to return to the defensive side of the ball in 2013. Novak ended a 10-year tenure as the head wrestling coach at SJU following the 2013-14 season. On the mat, Novak won the national wrestling title at 197 pounds in March 2001 and was a three-time All-American. He was inducted into the Division III National Wrestling Coaches' Association (NWCA) Hall of Fame in March 2017. Novak and his wife, Heather, live in St. Joseph with their two sons, Sebastian and Maikol, and daughter, Luciana.



# **KOLE HECKENDORF**

#### Offensive Coordinator/Receivers

North Dakota State '08, 13th season

Heckendorf is in his 13th season as an offensive assistant in 2025 and the eighth as the Johnnies' offensive coordinator. SJU averaged 42.8 points and 475.8 yards of offense per game (148.0 rushing and 327.8 passing) in his first six seasons (73 games) as offensive coordinator. In 2002, Heckendorf set a pair of Wisconsin records with 116 receptions for 1,714 yards as a junior at Mosinee High School and ended his career as the state's all-time leader in receiving yards (3,831) and touchdowns (36). Heckendorf accepted a scholarship to FCS North Dakota State and ended a four-year collegiate career (2005-08) as the all-time leader in catches (178) and receiving yards (2,732). He signed with the Green Bay Packers as an undrafted free agent in 2009 and later joined four other National Football League organizations: the Detroit Lions, Seattle Seahawks, San Diego Chargers and Indianapolis Colts. Kole and his wife, Kristen, son, Landon, and daughter, Hallie, reside in Sauk Rapids.



# **DAMIEN DUMONCEAUX**



# Recruiting Coordinator/Defensive Line

Saint John's '05, 20th season

Dumonceaux is in his 20th season on the defensive coaching staff in 2025 after serving as a three-year starter at nose tackle from 2003-05. A 2005 All-American, Dumonceaux received a pair of national awards, Football Gazette's Defensive Lineman of the Year and D3football.com's Defensive Player of the Year, and received the MIAC Mike Stam Award as the conference's top lineman. Dumonceaux and his wife, Patricia, have a son, Fischer, and live in St. Joseph.



### ASSISTANT COACHES



**JOSH BUNGUM Ouarterbacks** Saint John's '16, 10th season

Bungum is in his 10th season as an SJU assistant coach in 2025. A 2016 graduate of SJU, Bungum was named D3football.com All-American honorable mention in 2015 as a returner, where he was a two-time All-MIAC first-team selection.



**MAX JACKSON** Defensive Assistant/ **Diversity & Student** Success Saint John's '19, fifth season

Jackson is in his fifth season as a defensive assistant, as well as the program's diversity and student success officer, in 2025. A 2019 graduate and a two-sport star, Jackson was a two-time All-American safety and All-Region outfielder



**JAMES HERBERG** Defensive Backs/ Recruiting Gustavus '09, first season

Herberg led Rocori High School to eight state tournament appearances - four as a defensive assistant (2009-17) and four more as head coach (2018-24), including Minnesota Class AAAA state championships in 2011 and 2019, and a state runner-up finish in 2023.



**ISAIAH TRAUFLER** Tight Ends/Recruiting aint John's '24, first season

A 2024 graduate of Saint John's, Traufler served as player personnel and a recruiting assistant at Division I (FBS) Wisconsin last fall before re-joining the Johnnies this season.



**WILL BLAKEY Running Backs** Saint John's '27, first season

A 2016 graduate of St. Paul Central High School, Blakey served six years of active duty in the U.S. Air Force. He transferred to SJU from Division I Portland State prior to the 2024 season and rushed for 446 yards and 10 touchdowns.



**BEN ELI** Offensive Line Saint John's '16, ninth season

The 2025 season is Eli's ninth as an assistant coach at SJU. A December 2016 graduate, Eli was an American Football Coaches' Association (AFCA) All-America first-team selection in 2016. He was also named to the D3football.com All-West Region second-team and was an All-MIAC firstteam selection in 2016.



**COLLIN FRANZ** Defensive Assistant/ **Defensive Line** Saint John's '21, fourth season

Franz is in his fourth season as an assistant coach for SJU in 2025. Franz started all 12 games in 2021 and posted a career-high 7.5 tackles for loss, an interception, fumble recovery and batted down five passes



MIKE MAGNUSON

Offensive Line Saint John's '90, 11th season

Magnuson is in his sixth season as an assistant coach for SJU in 2021 and the fourth as the team's offensive line coach. A 1990 graduate of SJU, Magnuson was a three-year starter at offensive tackle and a member of two NCAA playoff teams (1987 and 1989) and the 1989 MIAC championship sauad.



**ALEXI JOHNSON** 

**Kickers** Saint John's '17, eighth season

Johnson is in his eighth season as a volunteer assistant coach for the Johnnies in 2025. A 2017 graduate of SJU, Johnson was a four-vear kicker for the Johnnies from 2013-16 and ended his career second in school history in both career field goals (27) and career PAT's (190).



**ANDY AUGER** Volunteer Defensive Assistant Saint John's '95, seventh

Auger is in his seventh season as a volunteer assistant coach for SJU's defense in 2025. A 1995 graduate of SJU, Auger played both baseball and football for the Johnnies and was a member of four MIACchampion teams across the two sports.



**TOM WICKA** Volunteer Assistant/ Linebackers Saint John's '90, fourth season

Wicka is in his fourth season as a volunteer assistant coach for the Johnnies in 2025, working with linebackers. A 1990 graduate of SJU, Wicka was a three-year starter at

linebacker and a member of two NCAA playoff teams (1987 and 1989) and the 1989 MIAC championship squad.



JIM PLATTEN Volunteer Equipment Manager Saint John's '74, 26th season

For well over 25 years, Jim Platten '74 has volunteered in the equipment room, helping out with the football team and other programs. Along the way, Platten has been a friend, resource and mentor to multiple generations of Johnnie student-athletes

#### **SUPPORT STAFF**

| Dan O'Brien       | Interim Director of Athletics    | St. Thomas '87          | First season  |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| Ryan Klinkner     | Athletic Communications          | Saint John's '04        | 20th season   |
| Jordan Modjeski   | Athletic Communications          | Saint Mary's '22        | First season  |
| Alex Baumann      | Athletics Operations Coordinator | Minnesota-Morris '23    | First season  |
| Scott Bierscheid  | Athletic Trainer                 | MSU-Mankato '92         | 29th season   |
| Cody Tusler       | Equipment Manager                | North Dakota State '18  | First season  |
| Peyton Bigaouette | Facility & Game Day Operations   | Saint John's '24        | Second season |
| Justin Rost       | Strength & Conditioning          | Northwestern (lowa) '11 | 12th season   |
|                   |                                  |                         |               |

#### WHEELER & GOOD WORKS

Senior wide receiver **Dylan Wheeler** was one of 22 student-athletes across all divisions of college football named to the 2025 Allstate American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) Good Works Team on Sept. 16. The 2025 season marks the 34th anniversary of the award, which was established in 1992 to recognize a select group of college football players who have made a commitment to service and enriching the lives of others.

Wheeler is one of seven honorees from the NCAA Division III level – joining offensive lineman Charlie Pearson of Johns Hopkins (Md.), quarterback Carter St. John of Alma (Mich.), offensive lineman Canyon Schneider of Denison (Ohio), kicker/punter Owen Schuckert of John Carroll (Ohio), running back Auvic White of Hendrix (Ark.) and defensive back Devin Williams of Bethel.

Wheeler is the ninth Johnnie to be named to the Allstate AFCA Good Works Team and the eighth in the last nine seasons – joining linebacker **Jake Schwinghammer** '25, wide receiver **Jimmy Buck** '23, defensive lineman **Michael Wozniak** '22, quarterback **Chris Backes** '21, offensive lineman **Ben Bartch** '20, quarterback **Jackson Erdmann** '19 and wide receiver **Will Gillach** '19. Defensive end **Kevin McNamara** '07 was the first SJU student-athlete to receive the honor in 2006.

Over the summer, sports information directors from Division I, Division II, Division III and NAIA schools across the country submitted nominations of players they felt best embodied the spirit of the Good Works Team award. A voting panel was faced with a list of 197 nominees that was narrowed down to the 22 student-athletes and honorary coach, Oklahoma's Brent Venables, named to the team.

The 2025 Allstate AFCA Good Works Team will be invited to New Orleans to participate in a special community service project ahead of the 2026 Allstate Sugar Bowl, where the entire team will also be recognized on the field at halftime on New Year's Day.

A 2024 consensus All-American – American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) first team, Associated Press first team, D3football.com third team, Walter Camp first team - Wheeler ended the season second in NCAA Division III in receiving touchdowns (21), eighth in total points scored (126) and total touchdowns (21), 14th in receptions per game (7.3) and 15th in scoring (10.5 ppg.). He recorded over 100 receiving yards in seven of his team's 12 games and led SJU in receptions (88) and receiving touchdowns (21), while finishing second with 1,164 receiving yards. The 21 receiving touchdowns were second-most in program history, one behind the record of 22 set by Blake Elliott '03 - a 2025 College Football Hall of Fame inductee - in 2002, while the catches ranked third and the receiving yards were 10th.

An accounting and finance (double-major) with a 3.64 GPA, Wheeler was named to the 2024 College Sports Communicators (CSC) Academic All-America second team in addition to earning CSC Academic All-District and Academic All-MIAC (minimum 3.5 GPA) honors.

Wheeler organized a fundraiser during the 2024 football season for Folds of Honor to provide academic scholarships for the children and spouses of America's fallen or disabled military members and first responders. He developed a performance-based donation system that raised over \$25,000 from almost 30 different donors. Wheeler is currently working to expand the project with other SJU student-athletes across all sports and establish the fundraiser as a new tradition.

Wheeler is SJU's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) president for the current 2025-26 academic year, which is his third as a member of the organization. He was SAAC's Diversity & Inclusion Committee Chair in 2024-25 and was a member of the organization's Kids Fighting Hunger Committee in 2023-24. Wheeler helped raise over \$35,000 and organized a food-packing



event on campus that produced nearly 100,000 meals that year.

He spent a week in March 2024 on an SJU Faith Service and Immersion trip to the Bahamas and volunteered at a local elementary school, building picnic tables for the students and playing bocce ball with a local Special Olympics group. Wheeler also cleaned up the grounds of a convent of Benedictine Sisters, doing yardwork and taking out garbage.

Wheeler is in his fourth year raising money for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital as a member of the SJU football team. The Johnnies raised \$63,700 last fall, the program's 10th year supporting the organization.

### **3 ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICANS**

Quarterback **Aaron Syverson** '24 was named the 2024 College Sports Communicators (CSC) Academic All-America Team Member of the Year for Division III and two other Johnnies earned Academic All-America honors last season. Syverson was named to the CSC Academic All-America first team, while senior defensive lineman **Zach Frank** and senior wide receiver **Dylan Wheeler** earned second-team honors. SJU has now had 24 football Academic All-Americans over the last 21 seasons and 38 overall.

Nominees must be of a sophomore academic standing or better, with a 3.50 GPA or higher. Athletically, the student-athlete must appear in 90 percent of his team's games or start in 66 percent of them. The Academic All-District and All-America teams are voted upon and selected by registered members of CSC (formerly the College Sports Information Directors of America).

Syverson and the other three CSC Academic All-Americans of the Year – Travis Hunter (University of Colorado), Brayden Long (Slippery Rock University) and Jameson Chesser (Taylor University) – were featured at the annual Maxwell Awards Gala on March 14 at the College Football Hall of Fame in Atlanta (right).



### **8 ACADEMIC ALL-DISTRICT HONOREES**

Eight Johnnies were named to the College Sports Communicators (formerly College Sports Information Directors of America, CoSIDA) Academic All-District IV men's football team in 2024: safety Noah Arneson '25; senior defensive lineman Zach Frank; offensive tackle Tommy Hessburg '25; kicker Conor Murphy '25; linebacker Hayden Sanders '25; quarterback Aaron Syverson '24; senior wide receiver Dylan Wheeler; and linebacker Cooper Yaggie '25. The academic distinction was the third-consecutive for Murphy and Syverson, and the second for Arneson, Frank and Hessburg.

#### 2024 ALL-MIAC HONORS

Quarterback Aaron Syverson '24 was named the MIAC Offensive Player of the Year, Gary Fasching was named the MIAC John Gagliardi Coach of the Year for the seventh time in his 12-year tenure and 19 Johnnies earned a program-record 20 All-MIAC honors in 2024. In addition to Syverson, the other 18 Johnnies honored were as follows: safety Noah Arneson '25; punter Spencer Ell '24; center Charlie Folkens '25; senior defensive lineman Zach Frank; senior defensive lineman Landon Gallagher (Murrieta, Calif./Vista Murrieta); senior tight end Joey Gendreau; defensive lineman Isaac Hetland '25; sophomore cornerback Westin Hoyt (Forest Lake, Minn.); guard Nick McKenzie '25; Marselio Mendez '25, as both a receiver and returner; junior linebacker Aiden McMahon (Maple Grove, Minn.); kicker Conor Murphy '25; offensive tackle Grant Peroutka '25; linebacker Hayden Sanders '25; senior cornerback Blake Simonson (Waconia, Minn.); senior running back Caden Wheeler; senior wide receiver Dylan Wheeler; and linebacker Cooper Yaggie '25. The All-MIAC honor was the third-consecutive for Syverson and Yaggie, and the second for Arneson, Ell, Frank, Murphy, Peroutka and Sanders. SJU led the MIAC with the 20 All-MIAC selections, followed by Bethel (17), Concordia (7) and Gustavus Adolphus (5). Defensive lineman Joe Akoh '25 and running back Will Blakey '27 were All-MIAC honorable mention.

#### **NEW ASSISTANT COACHES**

The newest additions to the Saint John's football coaching staff are a pair of familiar faces. James Herberg led Rocori High School to eight state tournament appearances - four as a defensive assistant (2009-17) and four more as head coach (2018-24), including Minnesota Class AAAA state championships in 2011 and 2019, and a state runner-up finish in 2023. He is coaching the Johnnies' defensive backs. A 2024 graduate of Saint John's, Isaiah Traufler '24 served as player personnel and a recruiting assistant at Division I (FBS) Wisconsin last fall before re-joining the Johnnies this season. A 2016 graduate of St. Paul Central High School, Will Blakey served six years of active duty in the U.S. Air Force. He transferred to SJU from Division I Portland State prior to the 2024 season and rushed for 446 yards and 10 touchdowns.

#### 2025 J-CLUB HALL OF HONOR

Ten individuals were inducted into Saint John's University's J-Club Hall of Honor after last Saturday's Homecoming game with a dinner and enshrinement ceremony in Guild Hall (Old Gym). This year's class was selected by a vote of the J-Club's board of directors, who considered nominations that can be made by any club member. Founded in 1959, the J-Club is a dues-based booster organization of former Johnnie student-athletes, parents and fans, and plays a key role in supporting SJU varsity programs, intramurals and club sports.

Three of the 10 individual inductees starred on the SJU football team: running back

Bernie Kukar '62, quarterback Craig Muyres '64 and end Ken Roering '64. Kukar (Gilbert, Minn.) was an All-MIAC performer in football and basketball for the Johnnies who went on to become an NFL referee for 22 seasons from 1984 to 2005 and was selected to officiate Super Bowl XXXIII in 1999 and Super Bowl XXXVI in 2002. He was also an alternate in Super Bowl XXX in 1996. Kukar ended his basketball career fourth in program history with 1,389 career points (is now 10th). On the gridiron, Kukar still owns the Johnnies' record for the longest punt return - 95 yards vs. Concordia-Moorhead in the 1961 Homecoming game.

Muyres (St. Cloud, Minn./Cathedral) was a two-sport star at SJU. As the Johnnies' quarterback, who also started at safety on the defensive side of the ball, Muyres led SJU to a 19-0 record as a junior and senior, and directed the program to its first national title in 1963. He was also a two-time All-MIAC pick in basketball and finished his career fifth in program history with 1,344 points (is now 12th).

A talented receiver, Roering (St. Cloud, Minn./Cathedral) earned a rare starting spot as a freshman in the fall of 1960, then continued to excel as a sophomore. From there, he went on to earn All-MIAC and All-America honors the next two years. Roering led the Johnnies in receptions, receiving yards and receiving touchdowns all four seasons from 1960-63, totaling 63 receptions for 1,100 yards (17.5 avg.) and 19 touchdowns. As a senior in 1963, he played a major role in leading the Johnnies to that season's NAIA national title, hauling in an 18-yard touchdown reception as SJU upset Prairie View A&M (Texas) in the national championship game.

Another Johnnie, Jim Platten '74, was awarded the J-Club Distinguished Service Award, For well over 25 years, the alum and longtime SJU supporter has volunteered in the equipment room, helping out with the football team and other programs. Along the way, he has been a friend, resource and mentor to multiple generations of Johnnie student-athletes. Platten's lifelong devotion to Saint John's began when he was accepted into Saint John's Prep as a 13-year-old. He's been a member of the alumni board from 2008 to the present and is a past board president. He's also long been a fixture on the football sideline home or away, always wearing his trademark shorts regardless of the temperature or conditions.



#### **BEST RECORD SINCE 1990 IN DIVISION III**

Saint John's enters the 2025 season with the second-most wins (332) and the third-best winning percentage (.829) in NCAA Division III football since 1990 among programs with 200 games played or more (see charts below).

#### Winning Percentage (min. 200 games played)

| .949 | Mount Union, Ohio (453-24-1)         |
|------|--------------------------------------|
| .850 | Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas (283-50)   |
| .829 | Saint John's (332-68-1)              |
| .824 | Linfield, Ore. (297-63-1)            |
| .814 | UW-Whitewater (332-76)               |
| .810 | Washington & Jefferson, Pa. (312-73) |
| .799 | Wartburg, Iowa (299-75)              |
| .793 | Central, Iowa (288-75)               |
| .792 | Wheaton, III. (287-75-1)             |
| .790 | Wittenberg, Ohio (288-76-1)          |

| Wins |  |
|------|--|
| 453  | Mount Union, Ohio (453-24-1, .949)         |
| 332  | Saint John's (332-68-1, .829)              |
| 332  | UW-Whitewater (332-76, .814)               |
| 312  | Washington & Jefferson, Pa. (312-73, .810) |
| 299  | Wartburg, Iowa (299-75, .799)              |
| 297  | Linfield, Ore. (297-63-1, .824)            |
| 288  | Central, Iowa (288-75, .793)               |
| 288  | Wittenberg, Ohio (288-76-1, .790)          |
| 287  | Wheaton, III. (287-75-1, .792)             |
| 283  | Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas (283-50, 850)    |

#### ANOTHER 10-WIN SEASON

The Johnnies' 41-33 win over Bethel in the 2024 MIAC championship game secured the program's 26th 10-win season and eighth in the last 10 seasons. 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    | 26  | 2024 |
| Bethel          | 7   | 2024 |
| Concordia       | 7   | 2005 |
| St. Scholastica | 2   | 2014 |
| Augsburg        | 1   | 1997 |
| Gustavus        | 1   | 1987 |

#### A WINNING TRADITION

The Johnnies' 11-1 record in 2024 served as the program's 56th-consecutive season without a losing record. Bethel (11-3), Carleton (5-5), Concordia (7-3), Gustavus Adolphus (5-5) and St. Olaf (7-3) also had a non-losing season last fall.

#### Consecutive Seasons (entering the 2025 season)

|    | MIAC Team                              | Without a Losing Record |
|----|--|-------------------------|
| 1. | Saint John's                           | 56                      |
| 2. | Bethel                                 | 30                      |
| 3. | Gustavus                               | 11                      |
| 4. | Carleton                               | 4                       |
| 5. | Concordia                              | 3                       |
| 5. | Augsburg                               | 2                       |
|    | St. Olaf                               | 2                       |
| 8. | Hamline, Macalester<br>St. Scholastica | 0                       |

#### IN THE NCAA DIVISION III PLAYOFFS

The 2024 postseason appearance was the Johnnies' 33rd (29th at the NCAA Division III level) and ninth in the last 10 seasons. SJU is second in NCAA Division III history in postseason appearances and tied for third in playoff wins (see charts below). The Johnnies made four other postseason appearances and have a 49-28 (.636) 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 (through 2024)

| Tea | m                           | No. |  |
|-----|-----------------------------|-----|--|
| 1.  | Mount Union, Ohio           | 35  |  |
| 2.  | Saint John's                | 29  |  |
| 3.  | Washington & Jefferson, Pa. | 27  |  |
| 4.  | Central, Iowa               | 22  |  |
| 5.  | Ithaca, N.Y.                | 21  |  |
| 6.  | UW-Whitewater               | 20  |  |
| 7.  | Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas   | 19  |  |
|     | Wittenberg, Ohio            | 19  |  |
| 9.  | Linfield, Ore.              | 18  |  |
| 10. | Wartburg, Iowa              | 17  |  |
|     |                             |     |  |

Most NCAA Division III Playoff Wins Since 1973 (through 2024)

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| 1.  | Mount Union, Ohio                   | 117 |  |  |  |  |
| 2.  | UW-Whitewater                       | 60  |  |  |  |  |
| 3.  | Saint John's                        | 45  |  |  |  |  |
|     | Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas           | 45  |  |  |  |  |
| 5.  | North Central, III.                 | 35  |  |  |  |  |
| 6.  | Rowan, N.J.                         | 31  |  |  |  |  |
| 7.  | Ithaca, N.Y.                        | 30  |  |  |  |  |
|     | Linfield. Ore.                      | 30  |  |  |  |  |
|     | Wesley, Del.                        | 30  |  |  |  |  |
| 10. | Central, Iowa                       | 24  |  |  |  |  |
|     |                                     |     |  |  |  |  |

#### ATTRACTING THE FANS

Saint John's finished second to UW-Whitewater, both in total attendance (63,592) and per-game average (7,949), last fall in NCAA Division III for the second-straight season. The cumulative total was greater than five Football Bowl Subdivision teams (Akron, Ball State, Kennesaw State, Kent State and Sam Houston State); 112 Football Championship Subdivision teams and all but one – Grand Valley State – of the 162 Division II programs.

#### 2024 NCAA Division III Football Attendance Leaders

|     | School               | Gms | s. 2024 Att. | Avg.   |
|-----|----------------------|-----|--------------|--------|
| 1.  | UW-Whitewater        | 5   | 65,355       | 13,071 |
| 2.  | Saint John's         | 8   | 63,592       | 7,949  |
| 3.  | Maryville, Tenn.     | 4   | 25,497       | 6,374  |
| 4.  | Hampden-Sydney, Va.  | 5   | 28,129       | 5,626  |
| 5.  | Tufts, Mass.         | 5   | 22,009       | 4,402  |
| 6.  | Balwin Wallace, Ohio | 5   | 21,897       | 4,379  |
| 7.  | UW-Eau Claire        | 5   | 20,967       | 4,193  |
| 8.  | Wartburg, Iowa       | 6   | 25,106       | 4,184  |
| 9.  | Wesleyan, Conn.      | 4   | 16,557       | 4,139  |
| 10. | Westminster, Pa.     | 5   | 20,049       | 4,010  |

#### 2024 SJU vs. FCS/Division II in Upper Midwest Attendance

|     | School                | NCAA | Gms. | 2024 Att. | Avg.   |
|-----|-----------------------|------|------|-----------|--------|
| 1.  | South Dakota State    | FCS  | 8    | 130,070   | 16,259 |
| 2.  | North Dakota State    | FCS  | 9    | 139,308   | 15,479 |
| 3.  | North Dakota          | FCS  | 7    | 71,987    | 10,284 |
| 4.  | Northern Iowa         | FCS  | 5    | 50,677    | 10,135 |
| 5.  | Saint John's          | Ш    | 8    | 63,592    | 7,949  |
| 6.  | South Dakota          | FCS  | 8    | 56,547    | 7,068  |
| 7.  | Northern State (S.D.) | II   | 5    | 25,953    | 5,191  |
| 8.  | MSU-Mankato           | II   | 6    | 28,738    | 4,790  |
| 9.  | Bethel                | III  | 7    | 25,478    | 3,640  |
| 10. | St. Thomas            | FCS  | 7    | 22,543    | 3,220  |

#### 2024 MIAC Attendance Leaders

|     | School            | Gms. | 2024 Att. | Avg.  |
|-----|-------------------|------|-----------|-------|
| 1.  | Saint John's      | 8    | 63,592    | 7,949 |
| 2.  | Bethel            | 7    | 25,478    | 3,640 |
| 3.  | Concordia         | 5    | 10,718    | 2,144 |
| 4.  | Gustavus Adolphus | 5    | 5,922     | 1,184 |
| 5.  | Augsburg          | 5    | 4,961     | 992   |
| 6.  | St. Olaf          | 6    | 4,209     | 842   |
| 7.  | Hamline           | 5    | 4,037     | 807   |
| 8.  | Macalester        | 5    | 3,558     | 712   |
| 9.  | Carleton          | 5    | 2,643     | 529   |
| 10. | St. Scholastica   | 5    | N/A       | N/A   |

#### 500+ MIAC WINS

One of six charter members of the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference in 1920, Saint John's became the first program to reach 500 wins in MIAC play with last Nov. 2's 70-0 victory at St. Scholastica. SJU's winning percentage in conference play is even better when broken down by eras: modern history, since 1946 (.783, 463-125-9); during John Gagliardi's tenure, 1953-2012 (.780, 362-99-9); and during the 21st century, since 2000 (.856, 166-28).

### All-Time MIAC Record (entering the 2025 season, by wins)

|     | School            | W   | L   | Τ  | Pct. |
|-----|-------------------|-----|-----|----|------|
| 1.  | Saint John's^     | 502 | 181 | 22 | .728 |
| 2.  | St. Thomas*       | 443 | 222 | 14 | .663 |
| 3.  | Concordia         | 429 | 243 | 18 | .635 |
| 4.  | Gustavus^         | 421 | 277 | 13 | .601 |
| 5.  | Hamline^          | 252 | 442 | 14 | .366 |
| 6.  | St. Olaf^         | 247 | 290 | 11 | .461 |
| 7.  | Bethel            | 220 | 164 | 3  | .572 |
| 8.  | Augsburg          | 191 | 457 | 13 | .299 |
| 9.  | Macalester^       | 147 | 404 | 25 | .277 |
| 10. | Carleton^         | 125 | 241 | 0  | .342 |
| 11. | Minnesota-Duluth* | 96  | 74  | 6  | .563 |
| 12. | St. Scholastica   | 6   | 26  | 0  | .188 |

\*no longer a member of the MIAC

#### **MIAC TITLE NO. 37**

The Johnnies' 41-33 win over Bethel last Nov. 16 in the 2024 MIAC Championship game clinched the program's MIAC-record 37th conference title - its fifth in the last six seasons - 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      | 37  | 2024       |
| Gustavus          | 22  | 1987       |
| St. Thomas*       | 21  | 2019       |
| Concordia         | 18  | 2004       |
| Bethel            | 6   | 2023       |
| St. Olaf          | 6   | 1979       |
| Hamline           | 5   | 1988       |
| Minnesota-Duluth* | 3   | 1973       |
| Augsburg          | 2   | 1997       |
| Carleton          | 2   | 1992       |
| Macalester        | 2   | 1947       |
| Saint Mary's%     | 1   | 1928       |
| St. Scholastica   | 0   |            |

\*no longer a member of the MIAC %

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#### WINS, ON A NATIONAL SCALE

The 47-14 win over Rose-Hulman (Ind.) on Nov. 16, 2019, enabled Saint John's to become the eighth program in Division III history to reach 650 victories. The Johnnies already own Division III's best winning percentage (among programs with 75 seasons played or more) at .723 and enters the 2025 season sixth in Division III history for wins.

#### Best NCAA Division III Record, By Wins (entering the 2025 season)

| Rk.      | School                                    | Yrs. | Won | Lost | Tied | Pct. |
|----------|---|------|-----|------|------|------|
| 1.       | Mount Union, Ohio                         | 128  | 868 | 398  | 38   | .680 |
| 2.       | Wittenberg, Ohio                          | 130  | 805 | 378  | 31   | .676 |
| 3.       | Washington & Jefferson, Pa.               | 133  | 790 | 405  | 40   | .656 |
| 4.       | Widener, Del.                             | 142  | 732 | 453  | 39   | .614 |
| 5.       | Wabash, Ind.                              | 137  | 725 | 404  | 59   | .635 |
| 6.       | Saint John's                              | 113  | 692 | 258  | 24   | .723 |
| 7.       | Williams, Mass.                           | 138  | 676 | 403  | 47   | .621 |
|          |   |      | 0.0 |      |      |      |
| 8.       | Franklin & Marshall, Pa.                  | 136  | 669 | 515  | 47   | .563 |
| 8.<br>9. | Franklin & Marshall, Pa.<br>Central, Iowa |      |     |      |      |      |
| -        |   | 136  | 669 | 515  | 47   | .563 |

#### **CLOSING IN ON 700 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 all-time victories. SJU began the 2024 season 52 wins shy of Division I Minnesota, despite playing 28 fewer seasons.

#### Most Wins in Minnesota College Football History (entering the 2025 season)

|     | School             | W   | L   | Τ  | Pct. | Seasons |
|-----|--------------------|-----|-----|----|------|---------|
| 1.  | Minnesota          | 741 | 548 | 44 | .572 | 141     |
| 2.  | Saint John's       | 692 | 258 | 24 | .723 | 113     |
| 3.  | St. Thomas         | 654 | 363 | 32 | .639 | 119     |
| 4.  | Minnesota-Duluth   | 569 | 285 | 24 | .662 | 91      |
| 5.  | Concordia-Moorhead | 559 | 327 | 38 | .626 | 106     |
| 6.  | Gustavus Adolphus  | 535 | 377 | 21 | .585 | 109     |
| 7.  | MSU-Mankato        | 517 | 403 | 27 | .560 | 98      |
| 8.  | Carleton           | 507 | 505 | 25 | .501 | 129     |
| 9.  | St. Olaf           | 486 | 412 | 20 | .540 | 106     |
| 10. | Winona State       | 480 | 518 | 32 | .482 | 123     |

#### **ESPN'S TOP 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 considered 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."

^charter member of the MIAC

#### **ESPN's Top 20 College Football Programs**

| Rk. | Team                | Div. | Rating | National Titles (as of Aug. 2019) |
|-----|---------------------|------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| 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  | 56.8   | 2                                 |
|     |                     |      |        |                                   |

### SJU FOOTBALL BY DECADE (THRU SEPT. 27)

| Decade | Record (Pct.)   |
|--------|-----------------|
| 1900's | 15-14-0 (.517)  |
| 1910's | did not compete |
| 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 | 43-6-0 (.878)   |

#### **BEST WINNING PERCENTAGE (START OF 2025 SEASON)**

\*minimum 75 seasons, all divisions of college football

|     | Team                | Div. | W     | L   | T  | Pct. | Seasons |
|-----|---------------------|------|-------|-----|----|------|---------|
| 1.  | Ohio State          | FBS  | 978^  | 334 | 53 | .736 | 135     |
| 2.  | Michigan            | FBS  | 1,012 | 358 | 36 | .733 | 145     |
|     | Alabama             | FBS  | 974   | 341 | 43 | .733 | 130     |
| 4.  | Notre Dame          | FBS  | 962   | 339 | 42 | .732 | 135     |
| 5.  | Oklahoma            | FBS  | 950   | 348 | 53 | .723 | 130     |
|     | Saint John's        | Ш    | 692   | 258 | 24 | .723 | 113     |
| 7.  | Linfield            | III  | 656   | 266 | 30 | .705 | 109     |
| 8.  | Texas               | FBS  | 961   | 395 | 33 | .704 | 132     |
| 9.  | UW-Whitewater       | Ш    | 653   | 270 | 21 | .703 | 99      |
| 10. | Yale                | FCS  | 943   | 393 | 55 | .698 | 151     |
| 11. | Southern California | FBS  | 882   | 374 | 54 | .694 | 131     |
| 12. | Penn State          | FBS  | 943   | 412 | 41 | .690 | 138     |
| 13. | Mount Union         | III  | 865   | 392 | 38 | .683 | 127     |
| 14. | Harvard             | FCS  | 909   | 413 | 50 | .681 | 149     |
| 15. | West Chester        | II   | 637   | 296 | 17 | .679 | 95      |

<sup>^</sup>Ohio State voided all 12 of its wins from the 2010 season

#### SJU IN THE D3FOOTBALL.COM POLL

Saint John's has been ranked in D3football.com's top 25 in 130-consecutive polls (preseason, weeks 1-11, final). The last time the Johnnies were not ranked in the top 25 was in Week 3 of the 2014 season. The program has an average ranking of 8.04 since. Not counting the 2020-21 season that was ravaged by C0VID-19, D3football.com has published 276 national polls since the ranking was established in 2003. SJU has been ranked in the top 25 in 221 of those, including 96 in the top five, 176 in the top 10 and 208 in the top 20.

#### **UP NEXT**



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MACALESTER (1-2, 0-2 MIAC)

NO. 4 SAINT JOHN'S (3-0, 2-0 MIAC)

1 p.m. | SATURDAY, OCT. 11, 2025 COLLEGEVILLE, MINN. | CLEMENS STADIUM

#### **SERIES HISTORY**

Next Saturday's (Oct. 11) game is the 76th meeting between SJU and Macalester on the gridiron, but the first since 2001. The Johnnies own a 54-17-4 record against the Scots, including a 26-7-3 mark in Collegeville, and have won each of the last 33 meetings overall. Macalester's last win in the series was a 36-30 victory on Oct. 12, 1968, in Collegeville.

#### **SERIES NOTES**

Series Record: SJU leads, 54-17-4 (Current Streak: SJU, 15) at Saint John's: SJU leads, 27-3-7 (Current Streak: SJU, 6) at Macalester: SJU leads, 24-10-1 (Current Streak: SJU, 16) Neutral: SJU leads, 3-0 (Current Streak: SJU, 3)

Last Saint John's Win: Oct. 6, 2001 (56-7)
Last Macalester Win: Oct. 12, 1968 (30-36)
Largest Margin of a Saint John's Victory: 70 (1977)
Largest Margin of a Macalester Victory: 27 (1930, 1957)

#### **SERIES' TOP PERFORMANCES**

\*by yardage

**Rushing:** SJU, Chris Moore, 27-278-2TD (Sept. 18, 1999) MAC, Ron Groce 18-149-2TD (Oct. 18, 1975)

**Passing:** SJU, Kurt Ramler, 28-38-343-4TD-0INT (Nov. 11, 1995)

**MAC,** Tom Lindell 21-48-301-1TD-3INT (Nov. 2, 1985)

**Receiving:** SJU, Chris Palmer, 14-216-2TD (Nov. 11, 1995) MAC, Andrew Cook 7-161-1TD (Oct. 20, 1990)

### **MACALESTER'S SCHEDULE/RESULTS**

| Sept. 6  | at Grinnell (lowa)   | W, 20-15 |
|----------|----------------------|----------|
| Sept. 20 | at Carleton          | L, 7-51  |
| Sept. 27 | at St. Scholastica   | L, 34-37 |
| Oct. 4   | HAMLINE              | 7 p.m.   |
| Oct. 11  | at Saint John's      | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 18  | AUGSBURG             | 1 p.m.   |
| Oct. 25  | at Bethel            | 1 p.m.   |
| Nov. 1   | ST. OLAF             | 7 p.m.   |
| Nov. 8   | CONCORDIA            | Noon     |
| Nov. 15  | at Gustavus Adolphus | Noon     |

2025 Record: 1-2 (0-2 MIAC)

#### On This Date in Johnnie Football History...

The Johnnies are 8-3-2 all-time on October 4: 1924 vs. Macalester (T, 6-6); 1930 at Hamline (T, 13-13); 1941 at Macalester (L, 18-19); 1952 vs. St. Olaf (W, 34-0); 1958 at Hamline (W, 20-0); 1969 at Augsburg (W, 14-12); 1975 vs. Gustavus Adolphus (W, 26-7); 1980 at Gustavus Adolphus (L, 16-24); 1986 vs. Bethel (W, 41-7); 1997 at Carleton (W, 55-6); 2003 vs. Gustavus Adolphus (W, 35-13); 2008 at Bethel (L, 9-14); and 2014 vs. Hamline (W, 49-28).

**1969 at Augsburg (W, 14-12):** Defense came up big for the Johnnies as they held Augsburg to just 12 points in a game that saw their offense turn it over seven times. The turnover troubles started early for SJU as it fumbled the opening kickoff and again on the first offensive play after the defense made a goal line stand. Running back Bill Laliberte scored both Johnnie touchdowns, the first on a 5-yard run that was set up by a blocked Auggie punt and the other a 56-yard reception. The defense forced four turnovers of its own, including a goal-line interception by Dan Ceynowa late in the fourth.

**1975 vs. Gustavus Adolphus (W, 26-7):** SJU ran all over the Gustie defense, rushing for a total of 404 yards in the game. Running backs Tim Schmitz and Jim Roeder combined for to carry the ball 35 times for 324 yards and a touchdown. The Johnnies completed just two passes for 19 yards, 16 of which came on a touchdown pass from Jeff Norman to Todd Watson, who also had a rushing touchdown. Defensively, the Johnnies forced two fumbles inside their own 5-yard line and had an interception.

**1997 at Carleton (W, 55-6):** Defense was the best offense for the Johnnies in a matchup with Carleton 28 years ago. The defense and special teams units scored or set up six of the eight touchdowns on the day. This included two pick-sixes, one each from Brandon Novak and Matt Emmerich, a blocked punt returned for a touchdown, two fumble recoveries and the tackle of the Carleton punter after a bad snap. Offensively, three different Johnnies had rushing touchdowns and quarterback Phil Kern threw for 304 yards, three interceptions and two touchdowns.

#### 2025 D3football.com Poll - Week 4

| <b>No.</b><br>1. | School (1st-Place Votes)<br>North Central, III. (22) | Record<br>3-0 | Votes<br>621 | Prev. |
|------------------|--|---------------|--------------|-------|
| 2.               | Mount Union, Ohio (3)                                | 3-0           | 599          | 2     |
| 3.               | Johns Hopkins, Md.                                   | 3-0           | 575          | 3     |
| 4.               | Saint John's   | 3-0           | <b>523</b>   | 4     |
|                  |  |               |              | 5     |
| 5.               | UW-La Crosse   | 2-0           | 486          |       |
| 6.               | Salisbury, Md.                                       | 3-0           | 468          | 6     |
| 7.               | UW-Platteville                                       | 3-0           | 447          | 8     |
| 8.               | Wartburg, Iowa                                       | 4-0           | 444          | 7     |
| 9.               | UW-Whitewater  | 3-0           | 432          | 10    |
| 10.              | Hardin-Simmons, Texas                                | 3-0           | 416          | 9     |
| 11.              | UW-River Falls                                       | 3-0           | 405          | 11    |
| 12.              | Bethel   | 3-0           | 379          | 12    |
| 13.              | DePauw, Ind.   | 4-0           | 324          | 14    |
| 14.              | Wheaton, III.  | 2-1           | 272          | 17    |
| 15.              | UW-0shkosh   | 2-1           | 228          | 19    |
| 16.              | John Carroll, Ohio                                   | 3-1           | 217          | 21    |
| 17.              | Carnegie Mellon, Pa.                                 | 2-1           | 207          | 20    |
| 18.              | Trinity, Texas                                       | 3-0           | 206          | 22    |
| 19.              | Central, Iowa  | 4-0           | 164          | 23    |
| 20.              | Hope, Mich.  | 3-1           | 109          | 15    |
| 21.              | Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas                            | 1-2           | 108          | 16    |
| 22.              | Cortland State, N.Y.                                 | 3-1           | 100          | 24    |
| 23.              | Christopher Newport, Va.                             | 3-0           | 88           |       |
| 24.              | Hampden-Sydney, Va.                                  | 4-0           | 63           |       |
| 25.              | Susquehanna, Pa.                                     | 2-2           | 52           | 13    |
|                  |  |               |              |       |

Others Receiving Votes: Linfield 35, Berry 31, Wabash 23, Maryville 19, Randolph-Macon 16, Baldwin Wallace 16, Alma 14, Muhlenberg 8, Brockport State 7, Lewis & Clark 7, Utica 6, Grove City 4, Mommouth 2, Ursinus 2, Washington & Jefferson 2

#### 2025 AFCA Poll - Week 4

| No. | School (1st-Place Votes)  | Record | Votes | Prev. |
|-----|---------------------------|--------|-------|-------|
| 1.  | North Central, III. (51)  | 3-0    | 1,275 | 1     |
| 2.  | Mount Union, Ohio         | 3-0    | 1,224 | 2     |
| 3.  | Johns Hopkins, Md.        | 3-0    | 1,153 | 3     |
| 4.  | Saint John's              | 3-0    | 1,072 | 4     |
| 5.  | UW-La Crosse              | 2-0    | 1,033 | 6     |
| 6.  | Salisbury, Md.            | 3-0    | 999   | 5     |
| 7.  | Hardin-Simmons, Texas     | 3-0    | 928   | 7     |
| 8.  | UW-Platteville            | 3-0    | 906   | 8     |
| 9.  | Wartburg, Iowa            | 4-0    | 863   | 9     |
| 10. | UW-Whitewater             | 3-0    | 817   | 10    |
| 11. | Bethel                    | 3-0    | 773   | 11    |
| 12. | UW-River Falls            | 3-0    | 759   | 12    |
| 13. | DePauw, Ind.              | 4-0    | 665   | 13    |
| 14. | Trinity, Texas            | 3-0    | 550   | 16    |
| 15. | Wheaton, III.             | 2-1    | 521   | 16    |
| 16. | Carnegie Mellon, Pa.      | 2-1    | 438   | 20    |
| 17. | UW-0shkosh                | 2-1    | 429   | 21    |
| 18. | Central, Iowa             | 4-0    | 384   | 23    |
| 19. | John Carroll, Ohio        | 3-1    | 369   | 22    |
| 20. | Cortland State, N.Y.      | 3-1    | 238   | 24    |
| 21. | Hampden-Sydney, Va.       | 4-0    | 234   | 25    |
| 22. | Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas | 1-2    | 174   | 18    |
| 23. | Hope, Mich.               | 3-1    | 168   | 15    |
| 24. |                           | 3-0    | 121   |       |
| 25. | Wabash, Ind.              | 4-0    | 92    |       |

Others Receiving Votes: Muhlenberg 67, Linfield 46, Randolph-Macon 44, Berry 38, Susquehanna 35, Alma 30, Ursinus 28, Baldwin Wallace 23, UW-Stevens Point 13, Brockport State 10, Maryville 10, Marietta 9, Salve Regina 8, Washington (Mo.) 8, Coe 5, Calvin 4, Washington & Jefferson 4, Grove City 3, Utica 3, Stevenson 1, New England 1.

#### **Active Career Leaders Rushing Yards** 1. Caden Wheeler (135 att.) 908 2. Corey Bohmert (50 att.) 448 3. Zander Dittbenner (32 att.) 151 4. Wyatt McCabe (18 att.) 107 5. Dylan Kirchner (21 att.) 105 **Rushing Touchdowns** 1. Caden Wheeler 12 2. Corey Bohmert 5 3. Zander Dittbenner 4 Passing Yards (C-A-I-TD) 1. Zander Dittbenner (43-73-2-4) 591 2. Trey Feeney (40-54-0-6) 568 Receptions 1. Dylan Wheeler 165 2. Joey Gendreau 119 3. Riley Schwellenbach 43 4. Caden Wheeler 24 **Receiving Yards** 1. Dylan Wheeler 2,211 2. Joey Gendreau 1,603 3. Riley Schwellenbach 774 4. Owen Amrhein 230 **Receiving Touchdowns** 1. Dylan Wheeler 36 2. Joey Gendreau 14 3. Riley Schwellenbach 5 Yards from Scrimmage (Rushing+Receiving) 1. Dylan Wheeler 2,211 2. Joey Gendreau 1.603 3. Caden Wheeler 1,099 4. Riley Schwellenbach 774 All-Purpose Yards (Rushing+Receiving+Returns) 1. Dylan Wheeler 2.211 2. Caden Wheeler 1,831 3. Joey Gendreau 1,603 4. Riley Schwellenbach 774 **Tackles** 1. Aiden McMahon 121 2. Zach Frank 84 3 Landon Gallagher 46 Jack St. Fleur 46 5. Peyton Goettlicher 42 **Tackles for Loss** 1. Zach Frank 29.5 2. Aiden McMahon 14.5 11.0 Landon Gallagher Sacks 1 Zach Frank 20.0 2. Aiden McMahon 8.5 3. Landon Gallagher 6.0 Interceptions 1. Westin Hoyt 4 2. Peyton Goettlicher 2 Jack St. Fleur 2 Blake Simonson 5. Nolan Dumonceaux 1 Landon Gallagher 1 Alex Harren 1 Aiden McMahon 1 Mark Rogalski

# 2025 - SJU'S SCORING DRIVES

| Team (Date)                | Plays-Yds. | Span | Qtr. | Clock | Down-Dist.  | Scoring Play  |
|----------------------------|------------|------|------|-------|-------------|---|
| Minnesota-Morris (9/13/25) | 7-67       | 4:13 | 1    | 0:00  | 2-G         | Caden Wheeler 3-yard run (Hansen kick)                          |
| Minnesota-Morris           | 5-65       | 2:07 | 2    | 10:08 | 1-10        | Corey Bohmert 20-yard run (Hansen kick)                         |
| Minnesota-Morris           | 5-61       | 2:07 | 2    | 6:10  | 1-G         | Joey Gendreau 8-yard pass from Trey Feeney (Hansen kick)        |
| Minnesota-Morris           | 3-68       | 1:24 | 3    | 13:32 | 2-2         | Joey Gendreau 35-yard pass from Zander Dittbenner (Hansen kick) |
| Minnesota-Morris           | 3-43       | 1:31 | 3    | 7:53  | 1-G         | Dylan Wheeler 1-yard pass from Trey Feeney (Hansen kick)        |
| Minnesota-Morris           |            |      | 3    | 6:52  | 2-10 (Opp.) | Jack St. Fleur 40-yard interception return (Hansen kick)        |
| Minnesota-Morris           | 6-63       | 3:17 | 3    | 1:50  | 2-4         | Caden Wheeler 9-yard run (Hansen kick)                          |
| at Hamline (9/20/25)       | 8-75       | 3:38 | 1    | 11:22 | 3-G         | Dylan Wheeler 3-yard pass from Trey Feeney (Hansen kick)        |
| at Hamline                 | 5-75       | 1:48 | 1    | 4:23  | 1-G         | Corey Bohmert 4-yard run (Hansen kick)                          |
| at Hamline                 | 5-25       | 1:40 | 1    | 1:11  | 2-G         | Zander Dittbenner 8-yard run (Hansen kick)                      |
| at Hamline                 | 6-94       | 3:21 | 2    | 10:01 | 2-10        | Zander Dittbenner 12-yard run (Hansen kick)                     |
| at Hamline                 | 1-9        | 0:08 | 2    | 4:03  | 1-G         | Corey Bohmert 9-yard run (Hansen kick)                          |
| at Hamline                 | 6-26       | 1:00 | 2    | 1:05  | 4-7         | Matt Hansen 37-yard field goal                                  |
| at Hamline                 | 3-59       | 1:23 | 3    | 12:05 | 1-10        | Dylan Wheeler 19-yard pass from Zander Dittbenner (Hansen kick) |
| at Hamline                 | 8-61       | 4:22 | 3    | 6:50  | 4-1         | Dylan Wheeler 3-yard pass from Trey Feeney (Hansen kick)        |
| at Hamline                 | 10-69      | 5:23 | 4    | 6:47  | 2-6         | Cade Berg 20-yard pass from Reece Dawson (Hansen kick)          |
| Augsburg (9/27/25)         | 9-72       | 2:44 | 1    | 9:30  | 2-15        | Dylan Wheeler 21-yard pass from Zander Dittbenner (Hansen kick) |
| Augsburg                   | 9-80       | 4:59 | 1    | 2:49  | 1-10        | Zander Dittbenner 16-yard run (Hansen kick)                     |
| Augsburg                   | 11-77      | 4:22 | 2    | 11:07 | 3-G         | Caden Wheeler 1-yard run (Hansen kick)                          |
| Augsburg                   | 2-80       | 0:57 | 2    | 9:05  | 1-10        | Joey Gendreau 37-yard pass from Trey Feeney (Hansen kick)       |
| Augsburg                   | 4-53       | 1:56 | 2    | 1:13  | 1-10        | Zander Dittbenner 21-yard run (Hansen kick)                     |
| Augsburg                   | 5-61       | 2:48 | 3    | 12:02 | 1-G         | Caden Wheeler 7-yard run (Hansen kick)                          |
| Augsburg                   | 7-70       | 2:56 | 3    | 6:04  | 2-3         | Carson Hegerle 4-yard pass from Trey Feeney (Hansen kick)       |
| Augsburg                   | 11-79      | 5:19 | 4    | 12:46 | 2-10        | Corey Bohmert 12-yard run (Hansen kick)                         |
| Augsburg                   | 9-48       | 5:05 | 4    | 3:30  | 3-G         | Wyatt McCabe 10-yard pass from Lucas Jansky (Sievers kick)      |

# 2025 - SJU'S SCORING DRIVES ALLOWED

Team (Date) Plays-Yds. Span Qtr. Clock Down-Dist. Scoring Play

# **2025 - GAME-BY-GAME LEADERS**

| GAME             | PASSING                            | RUSHING                              | RECEIVING                            | TACKLES                                | SACKS                    |
|------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| Minnesota-Morris | Trey Feeney (12-13, 141 yds, 2 TD) | Caden Wheeler (8 att, 81 yds, 2 TD)  | Joey Gendreau (8 rec, 124 yds, 2 TD) | Aiden McMahon (5-4-9)                  | Zach Frank (1.5/11)      |
| at Hamline       | Trey Feeney (14-20, 215 yds, 2 TD) | Dylan Kirchner (7 att, 43 yds, 0 TD) | Joey Gendreau (9 rec, 137 yds, 0 TD) | P. Goettlicher/A. McMahon (5-1-6)      | Grady Minnerath (1.0/17) |
| Auasbura         | Trey Feeney (14-21, 212 vds. 2 TD) | Caden Wheeler (12 att. 87 vds. 2 TD) | Joey Gendreau (10 rec. 166 vds. 1 TD | L. Danner (4-1-5)/P. Goettlicher (5-0- | 5) Zach Frank (2.0/11)   |

### When Saint John's Has the Ball

#### Saint John's Offense

| WR | 16 | Carson Hegerle, So. (6-2, 190)      |
|----|----|-------------------------------------|
| WR | 4  | Riley Schwellenbach, Jr. (5-9, 160) |
| LT | 78 | Michael Bougie, Jr. (6-5, 310)      |
| LG | 63 | Joe Vascellaro, Sr. (6-3, 295)      |
| С  | 51 | Barrett Van Deun, Jr. (6-1, 285)    |
| RG | 60 | lan DeGross, Sr. (6-3, 290)         |
| RT | 77 | Mike Oftedahl, So. (6-2, 305)       |
| TE | 0  | Joey Gendreau, Sr. (6-3, 230)       |
| WR | 2  | Dylan Wheeler, Sr. (6-2, 195)       |
| QB | 1  | Trey Feeney, Jr. (6-3, 205)         |
| RB | 27 | Caden Wheeler, Sr. (5-10, 200)      |
|    |    |                                     |

#### **Bethel Defense**

| DE | 0  | Marcus Whiting, So. (5-11, 225) |
|----|----|---------------------------------|
| DT | 96 | William Jessup, Sr. (6-1, 255)  |
| DT | 43 | Abdallah Abed, Jr. (5-11, 240)  |
| DE | 47 | Phil Conant, Jr. (6-1, 225)     |
| LB | 28 | Jake Borman, Jr. (6-1, 215)     |
| LB | 11 | Taylor Glynn, Sr. (6-1, 230)    |
| LB | 32 | Jackson Braun, Jr. (6-1, 200)   |
| CB | 8  | Will Barthel, So. (6-0, 175)    |
| SS | 9  | Devin Williams, Sr. (6-1, 220)  |
| FS | 21 | Nick Colyer, So. (6-3, 200)     |
| CB | 19 | Tyler Drury, Jr. (6-2, 190)     |

#### Saint John's Special Teams

|    |    | coming operating                 |
|----|----|----------------------------------|
| K  | 90 | Matt Hansen, Jr. (5-11, 150)     |
| P  | 90 | Matt Hansen, Jr. (5-11, 150)     |
| LS | 2  | Nolan Dumonceaux, So. (6-1, 200) |
| Н  | 20 | Hudson Poole, So. (5-10, 165)    |
| KR | 20 | Hudson Poole, So. (5-10, 165)    |
|    | 16 | Carson Hegerle, So. (6-2, 190)   |
| PR | 20 | Hudson Poole, So. (5-10, 165)    |





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### When Bethel Has the Ball

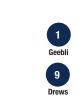
#### **Bethel Offense**

| WF | 3   | Alex Weiss, Jr. (6-0, 190)          |
|----|-----|-------------------------------------|
| WF | ₹ 5 | Albert Rundell, Jr. (6-1, 185)      |
| LT | 66  | Isaiah Ward, Sr. (6-2, 275)         |
| LG | 50  | Luke Ainsley, Sr. (6-0, 280)        |
| С  | 73  | Jaegar Ash, Jr. (6-1, 275)          |
| RG | 62  | Juan Orozco-Sanchez, Sr. (6-0, 290) |
| RT | 77  | Tristen Cantu, Jr. (6-1, 290)       |
| ΤE | 44  | Roman Janes, Jr. (6-4, 280)         |
| WF | 7   | Tyler Terry, Jr. (5-10, 180)        |
| QB | 9   | Cooper Drews, Jr. (6-5, 215)        |
| RB | 1   | David Geebli, Sr. (5-8, 195)        |
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|----|----|-------------------------------------|
| DE | 97 | Zach Frank, Sr. (6-3, 270)          |
| DT | 67 | Grady Minnerath, So. (6-0, 235)     |
| DT | 90 | Landon Gallagher, Sr. (6-2, 250)    |
| DE | 92 | Chandler Obering, Sr. (6-4, 285)    |
| LB | 8  | Peyton Goettlicher, Jr. (5-11, 190) |
| LB | 23 | Aiden McMahon, Jr. (6-1, 220)       |
| LB | 5  | Landon Danner, So. (6-2, 215)       |
| CB | 9  | Westin Hoyt, So. (6-1, 200)         |
| S  | 0  | Mark Rogalski, So. (6-0, 205)       |
| S  | 4  | Will Peroutka, So. (5-11, 175)      |
| CB | 10 | Blake Simonson, Sr. (5-11, 175)     |

#### **Bethel Special Teams**

| K  | 36 | Eli Nowacki, Jr. (6-0, 190)    |
|----|----|--------------------------------|
| P  | 36 | Eli Nowacki, Jr. (6-0, 190)    |
| LS | 41 | Eli Scheideman, Jr. (6-2, 200) |
| KR | 4  | Taye Manns, Fr. (5-11, 205)    |
|    | 10 | Riley Gritz, Sr. (5-11, 195)   |
| PR | 9  | Devin Williams, Sr. (6-1, 220) |
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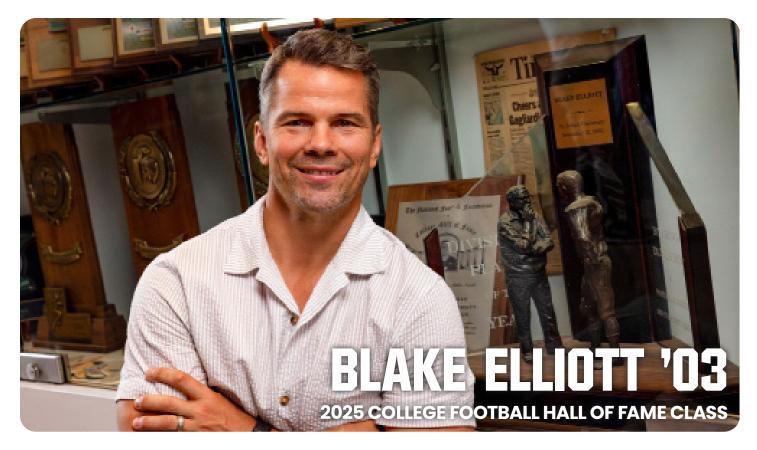












Blake Elliott '03, the standout wide receiver who led Saint John's University to the 2003 NCAA Division III title and ended his career ranked among the receiving leaders in all divisions of college football, was named to the 2025 College Football Hall of Fame Class on Wednesday, Jan. 15.

A 2019 inductee into the SJU J-Club's Hall of Honor, Elliott joins his head coach, SJU's legendary John Gagliardi, a member of the College Football Hall of Fame's 2006 class, college football's all-time wins leader and the namesake of the Gagliardi Trophy, presented annually to the top player in Division III.



Elliott is the first College Football Hall of Fame inductee from the Division III level since John Carroll linebacker London Fletcher – a 16-year veteran of the NFL – earned the honor in 2019.

The 18 first-team All-Americans and four standout coaches who make up the 2025 Class were selected from the national ballot of 77 players and nine coaches from the Football Bowl Subdivision and 101 players and 34 coaches from the divisional ranks.

They will be officially inducted during the 67th NFF Annual Awards Dinner Presented by Las Vegas on Dec. 9, 2025, at Bellagio Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas.



The inductees will also be recognized at their respective collegiate institutions with NFF Hall of Fame On-Campus Salutes, presented by Fidelity Investments, during the fall. Their accomplishments will be forever immortalized at the Chick-fil-A College Football Hall of Fame in Atlanta. Each inductee will receive a custom ring created by Jostens, the official and exclusive supplier of NFF rings.

In addition to Elliott, the 2025 class includes Montee Ball (Wisconsin); Gregg Carr (Auburn); Greg Eslinger (Minnesota); Terry Hanratty (Notre Dame); Graham Harrell (Texas Tech); John Henderson (Tennessee); Michael Huff (Texas); Jim Kleinsasser (North Dakota); Alex Mack (California); Terrence Metcalf (Mississippi); Haloti Ngata (Oregon); Steve Slaton (West Virginia); Darrin Smith (Miami, Fla.); Michael Strahan (Texas Southern); Dennis Thurman (Southern California); Michael Vick (Virginia Tech); Ryan Yarborough (Wyoming); and coaches Larry Blakeney (Troy); Larry Korver (Northwestern, Iowa); Urban Meyer (Bowling Green, Utah, Florida, Ohio State); and Nick Saban (Toledo, Michigan State, Louisiana State, Alabama).

#### **ELLIOTT'S CAREER STATISTICS**

| RECEIVING<br>2000     | <i>G</i><br>15 | REC<br>60             | <i>YDS</i><br>967     | <i>TD</i><br>14            | <i>LG</i><br>67    | <i>REC/G</i><br>4.0    | <i>AVG/C</i><br>16.1  | <i>AVG/G</i><br>64.5  |
|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 2001                  | 13             | 72                    | 1.056                 | 14                         | 46                 | 5.5                    | 14.7                  | 81.2                  |
| 2002                  | 14             | 120                   | 1,484                 | 22                         | 70                 | 8.6                    | 12.4                  | 106.2                 |
| 2003                  | 14             | 115                   | 1,319                 | 13                         | 68                 | 8.4                    | 11.3                  | 94.2                  |
| TOTALS                | 56             | 369                   | 4,826                 | 63                         | 70                 | 6.6                    | 13.1                  | 86.2                  |
| PUNT RETURNS<br>TOTAL | 3              | <i>G</i><br><b>56</b> | <i>NO.</i> <b>122</b> | <i>YDS</i> <b>1,459</b>    | TD<br><b>6</b>     | <i>LG</i><br><b>89</b> | AVG/R<br><b>12.0</b>  | AVG/G<br><b>26.1</b>  |
| KICK RETURNS<br>TOTAL |                | <i>G</i><br><b>56</b> | <i>NO.</i> <b>73</b>  | <i>YDS</i><br><b>1,606</b> | <i>TD</i> <b>1</b> | <i>LG</i><br><b>90</b> | AVG/R<br><b>22.0</b>  | AVG/G<br><b>28.7</b>  |
| ALL PURPOSE<br>TOTAL  |                | <i>G</i><br><b>56</b> | RUSH<br><b>744</b>    | REC<br><b>4,826</b>        | PR<br><b>1,459</b> | KR<br><b>1,606</b>     | TOTAL<br><b>8,635</b> | AVG/G<br><b>154.2</b> |
| SCORING<br>TOTAL      |                | <i>G</i><br><b>56</b> | TD<br><b>78</b>       | RUSH<br>8                  | PASS<br>63         | RET<br><b>7</b>        | 2PAT<br><b>2</b>      | TOTAL<br><b>472</b>   |

#### **ALL-TIME CAREER RANKINGS AT GRADUATION**

| *Prior to the 2002 season, | , the NCAA did not recognize | e playoff game stats in season | or career totals |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| RECORD                     | MIAC                         | DIVISION III                   | ALL DIVI         |
| Receptions (327)           | 1st                          | 2nd                            | 2nd              |

| RECORD                    | MIAC | DIVISION III | ALL DIVISIONS |
|---------------------------|------|--------------|---------------|
| Receptions (327)          | 1st  | 2nd          | 2nd           |
| TD Receptions (56)        | 1st  | 2nd          | 3rd           |
| Receiving Yards (4,200)   | 1st  | 4th          | 18th          |
| All-Purpose Yards (7,605) | 1st  | 5th          | 14th          |
| Points Scored (424)       | 1st  | 8th          | t22nd         |





Offensive tackle Ben Bartch '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. Bartch followed that with 11 starts at right guard and 704 offensive snaps (43 on special teams) in 2021. In 2022, Bartch started the Jaguars' first five games at left guard, totaling 293 offensive plays and 19 on special teams, before he suffered a season-ending knee injury. He opened training camp in 2023 on the PUP (physically unable to perform) list and started at left guard in the Jaguars' first three games. Jacksonville released Bartch on Oct. 31, moved to the Jaguars' practice squad three days later and signed with the San Francisco 49ers on Nov. 21, for their Super Bowl run. He totaled 241 snaps on the offensive line and 77 on special teams, including five in the Super Bowl, in 2023.

Bartch was named the starter at left guard for the 2025 season after signing a one-year contract in February. He was the highest-rated lineman in the 49ers week one game at Seattle on Sept. 7 (right) but was ruled out after starting game two vs. New Orleans on Sept. 14 with a high-ankle sprain. He was placed on the IR on Sept. 17

Bartch 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, Bartch received rave reviews during the three days of practices leading up to the event. He attended the 2020 NFL Scouting Combine that 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, Bartch 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), Bartch gained over 50 pounds and started on the line's left side immediately.

#### BARTCH'S NFL STATISTICS

| Season | Team                 | Games | Starts | Offense | Special Teams |
|--------|----------------------|-------|--------|---------|---------------|
| 2020   | Jacksonville Jaguars | 13    | 1      | 220     | 48            |
| 2021   | Jacksonville Jaguars | 15    | 11     | 707     | 40            |
| 2022   | Jacksonville Jaguars | 5     | 5      | 293     | 19            |
| 2023   | Jacksonville Jaguars | 8     | 3      | 213     | 37            |
|        | San Francisco 49ers  | 5     | 0      | 28      | 23            |
| 2024   | San Francisco 49ers  | 3     | 2      | 65      | 5             |
| 2025   | San Francisco 49ers  | 2     | 2      | 86      | 5             |
| TOTAL  |                      | 51    | 24     | 1,612   | 177           |
|        |                      |       |        | Snans   | Snans         |

#### SJU IN THE NFL DRAFT

Offensive lineman Ben Bartch '20 became the 10th Johnnie to be drafted into the National Football League in April 2020. He spent three-and-a-half seasons with the Jacksonville Jaguars before joining the San Francisco 49ers on Nov. 21, 2023, for their Super Bowl run.

- 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 Bartch, Jacksonville Jaguars (4th round-No. 116)



6-6, 230 Freshman - Tight End



2017 6-6, 250



2018 6-6, 275



2019 6-6,305 Senior - Offensive Line



2020 6-6, 317 First season - Offensive Line



2023 6-6, 315



2025 6-6, 315 Fourth season - Offensive Line Sixth season - Offensive Line



# **QUICK FACTS**

#### CLEMENS STADIUM

| Surface                |               | SprinTurf (Artificial Grass) |                  |  |
|------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|------------------|--|
| Capacity               |               | 8,500                        |                  |  |
| Opening Date           |               | Saint Johr                   | n's Field (1908) |  |
|                        |               | Clemens S                    | Stadium (1997)   |  |
| <b>Last Turf Renov</b> | ation         |                              | 2022, 2012       |  |
|                        |               | In                           | stalled in 2002  |  |
| <b>All-Time Record</b> | I             | 35                           | 8-97-13 (.779)   |  |
| <b>Largest Crowds</b>  |               |                              |                  |  |
| Date                   | Opponent      | Att.                         | Result           |  |
| Sept. 26, 2015         | St. Thomas    | 17,327                       | L, 14-35         |  |
| Oct. 13, 2018          | St. Thomas    | 16,922                       | W, 40-20         |  |
| Sept. 24, 2016         | St. Thomas    | 16,514                       | L, 21-33         |  |
| Oct. 2, 2010           | St. Thomas    | 16,421                       | L, 26-27 (0T)    |  |
| Sept. 15, 2012         | St. Thomas    | 14,286                       | L, 21-43         |  |
| Oct. 22, 2022          | Gustavus      | 13,161                       | W, 41-27         |  |
| Nov. 8, 2003           | Bethel        | 13,107                       | W, 29-26         |  |
| Oct. 17, 2009          | St. Thomas    | 12,903                       | W, 20-17 (OT)    |  |
| Sept. 3, 2022          | UW-Whitewater | 12,462                       | W, 24-10         |  |
| Oct. 6, 2007           | St. Olaf      | 12,339                       | W, 30-29         |  |



### **HISTORY**

From the start, those in charge of developing the space now known as Clemens Stadium had something majestic in mind. So they set about turning a former cranberry bog into a natural bowl stadium that has been the home of Saint John's University football for 116 years.

Ringed by the gorgeous fall colors of the surrounding Central Minnesota woods, the field has long become a destination spot, a status only solidified when Sports

Illustrated named it one of college football's top 10 "Dream Destinations" in 1999.

The facility itself has expanded often over the years. Concrete seating was added in 1933 and expanded in 1957. The familiar stone entrance behind the south end zone was built in 1939 and the first press box and concession stand were erected four years later. In 1997, local philanthropist Bill Clemens – the man for whom the stadium is named -- provided a million-

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dollar donation that allowed for construction of a new grandstand, an expanded press box, larger concession stands and restrooms and a new entrance. Another donation by Clemens, who attended SJU from 1938-40, made possible the installation of an artificial playing surface in 2002.

A third tier to the press box was added in 2009 and lights were installed in 2012.



Meanwhile, large crowds have been commonplace. SJU has finished among the national leaders in per-game attendance in NCAA Division III in each of the last 20 seasons – including crowds of 10,000 or more 23 times since 2001.

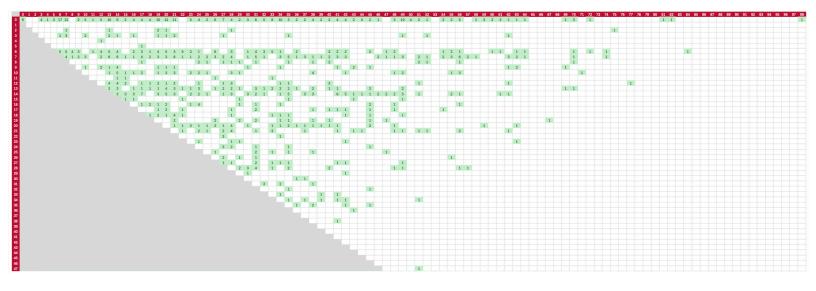
That included a facility-record 17,327 for a matchup against St. Thomas on Sept. 26, 2015 – a day in which ESPN's "Sports Center On the Road" program was broadcast live from the stadium, and a crowd of 13,107 on hand to see legendary former coach **John Gagliardi** become the winningest coach in

college football history when SJU beat Bethel 29-26 on Nov. 8, 2003.

#### HAPPY AT HOME

The Johnnie football program is 371-102-13 (.777) all-time at Saint John's Field/Clemens Stadium (est. 1997), including a 27-8 record (.771) in the NCAA Division III Playoffs. In its last 223 games dating back to the 1987 season, SJU has a record of 194-29 (.870) in Collegeville.

### SJU SCORIGAMI - EVERY SCORE IN SAINT JOHN'S FOOTBALL HISTORY



#### WHAT IS SCORIGAMI?

Scorigami was developed by sportswriter and analyst Jon Bois in 2016 as a way of tracking the probability of football results in the NFL. Since 2016, Bois has developed a database of every NFL score into a grid to indicate what scores have happened and how frequently. The original concept has since been adopted by other teams and institutions, most recently by Ken Landis, assistant athletic director for strategic communications, and his team at the University of Central Florida. The chart above displays every Saint John's University (Minn.) football score since 1900.

### **HOW TO READ THIS CHART**

The horizontal axis features the winning team's score, while the losing score is reported vertically. Boxes marked in green indicate a score has happened before, with the number detailing how many times that result has occurred. The grayed out portion of the chart represents scores that can never occur. Boxes that are white have not yet happened. There are a total of 976 scores reported in the above chart. It does not include canceled or forfeited games.

#### MOST COMMON SCORES

| Score | Times | Last Occurrence                     | SJU Record |
|-------|-------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| 6-0   | 17    | Nov. 6, 1971 at Macalester          | 9-8        |
| 7-0   | 12    | Sept. 29, 1985 vs. St. Thomas       | 6-6        |
| 20-0  | 12    | Nov. 3, 1990 vs. Bethel             | 9-3        |
| 21-0  | 11    | Nov. 7, 2015 at Bethel              | 7-4        |
| 49-0  | 10    | Sept. 13, 2025 vs. Minnesota-Morris | 10-0       |
| 13-0  | 10    | Sept. 21, 1968 at Gustavus Adolphus | 8-2        |
| 19-0  | 10    | Oct. 12, 2019 vs. Bethel            | 7-3        |
| 34-0  | 10    | Oct. 26, 2024 vs. Gustavus Adolphus | 8-2        |
| 14-0  | 9     | Oct. 9, 1982 vs. Gustavus Adolphus  | 6-3        |

#### **467 UNIQUE SCORES**

Since 1900, Saint John's football has played to 467 unique scores in a total of 977 games. SJU's last scorigami (unique score that had never happend before) was a 63-0 win over Augsburg on Homecoming at Clemens Stadium on Sept. 27, 2025.

#### **Last 10 Unique Scores**

| Date           | Score | Opponent             | Location            | Result |
|----------------|-------|----------------------|---------------------|--------|
| Sept. 27, 2025 | 63-0  | Augsburg             | Clemens Stadium     | W      |
| Dec. 7, 2024*  | 41-38 | Susquehanna (Pa.)    | Collegeville, Minn. | L      |
| Nov. 16, 2024^ | 41-33 | Bethel               | Collegeville, Minn. | W      |
| Oct. 12, 2024  | 38-31 | Concordia            | Moorhead, Minn.     | W      |
| Sept. 28, 2024 | 45-20 | Bethel               | Arden Hills, Minn.  | W      |
| Nov. 11, 2023  | 48-21 | Concordia            | Moorhead, Minn.     | W      |
| Oct. 7, 2023   | 42-23 | Concordia            | Collegeville, Minn. | W      |
| Sept. 9. 2023  | 56-28 | Wisconsin-Whitewater | Whitewater, Wis.    | L      |
| Oct. 29, 2022  | 56-6  | St. Scholastica      | Duluth, Minn.       | W      |
| Oct. 22, 2022  | 41-27 | Gustavus Adolphus    | Collegeville, Min.  | W      |

<sup>^</sup>MIAC Championship \*NCAA Third Round

### 28-21 IN OVERTIME

Saint John's has played to four scores of 28-21, with three of them decided in overtime. The most recent was a win on Sept. 17, 2011 at Concordia.

| Date               | Opponent                 | Location            | Result |
|--------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|--------|
| Nov. 25, 2000#     | Pacific Lutheran (Wash.) | Puyallup, Wash.     | W, OT  |
| Sept. 2, 2002      | Wisconsin-Eau Claire     | Eau Claire, Wis.    | L, OT  |
| Nov. 8, 2008       | Augsburg                 | Collegeville, Minn. | W      |
| Sept. 17, 2011     | Concordia                | Moorhead, Minn.     | W, OT  |
| # NCAA Second Roui | nd                       |                     |        |

#### 21–18 IN THE PLAYOFFS

The most common postseason score is 21-18, having occurred three times with the last on Dec. 1, 2018 at Mary Hardin Baylor (Texas) in the NCAA Quarterfinals.

| Date           | Opponent                  | Location      | Result |
|----------------|---------------------------|---------------|--------|
| Nov. 23, 1996# | Simpson (lowa)            | Metrodome     | W      |
| Dec. 2, 2000^  | Central (Iowa)            | Pella, Iowa   | W      |
| Dec. 1, 2018^  | Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas | Belton, Texas | L      |

# NCAA First Round ^ NCAA Quarterfinals

#### **SHUTOUTS**

There have been 266 shutouts in SJU football history. The Johnnies have won 190 of those shutouts with an all-time record of 190-70-6 (.726).

| Last 10 Shutouts                     |                                      |                     |         |                      |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|---------|----------------------|--|--|
| Date                                 | Opponent                             | Location            | Score   | Coach                |  |  |
| Sept. 27, 2025                       | vs. Augsburg                         | Collegeville, Minn. | W, 63-0 | Gary Fasching        |  |  |
| Sept. 20, 2025                       | at Hamline                           | St. Paul, Minn.     | W, 59-0 | Gary Fasching        |  |  |
| Sept. 13, 2025                       | vs. Minnesota-Morris                 | Collegeville, Minn. | W, 49-0 | <b>Gary Fasching</b> |  |  |
| Nov. 2, 2024                         | at St. Scholastica                   | Duluth, Minn.       | W, 70-0 | <b>Gary Fasching</b> |  |  |
| Oct. 26, 2024                        | Gustavus Adolphus                    | Collegeville, Minn. | W, 34-0 | Gary Fasching        |  |  |
| Sept. 7, 2024                        | Carthage, Wis.                       | Collegeville, Minn. | W, 49-0 | <b>Gary Fasching</b> |  |  |
| Nov. 19, 2022                        | Northwestern*                        | Collegeville, Minn. | W, 49-0 | <b>Gary Fasching</b> |  |  |
| Oct. 8, 2022                         | at Augsburg                          | Minneapolis, Minn.  | W, 45-0 | Gary Fasching        |  |  |
| Oct. 30, 2021                        | St. Scholastica                      | Collegeville, Minn. | W, 81-0 | Gary Fasching        |  |  |
| Oct. 16, 2021<br>*denotes an NCAA Di | St. Olaf<br>ivision III playoff game | Collegeville, Minn. | W, 56-0 | Gary Fasching        |  |  |

#### SCORE BREAKDOWN

Most Common Score: 6-0 (Last Occurrence: Nov. 6, 1971 at Macalester)

Most Common Winning Score: 21 (Last Occurrence: Dec. 1, 2018 at Mary Hardin-Baylor, Texas)

Most Common Losing Score: 0 (Last Occurrence: Sept. 27, 2025 vs. Augsburg)

Highest Winning Score: 98 (Last Occurrence: Sept. 2, 2017 vs. St. Scholastica)

Highest Losing Score: 47 (Last Occurrence: Nov. 23, 2019 vs. Aurora)
At Home: 232 unique scores (Most Recent: Sept. 27, 2025 vs. Augsburg)

On the Road: 214 unique scores (Most Recent: Nov. 2, 2024 at St. Scholastica)

On Homecoming: 87 unique scores (74-20-2 record in 96 games)

#### THE LAST TIME...

\* Postseason game # Metrodome

#### **SAINT JOHN'S**

| Kusning        |  |  |
|----------------|--|--|
| 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 | Sept. 27, 2025 (5, vs. Augsburg)         |  |
| 6 Rushing TD's | Nov. 9, 2019 (6, at Hamline)             |  |
| 7 Rushing TD's | Nov. 4, 2017 (8, at Hamline)             |  |
|                |  |  |

| Passing          |  |
|------------------|--|
| 300+ Yards       | Sept. 27, 2025 (367, vs. Augsburg)       |
| 400+ Yards       | Sept. 20, 2025 (441, at Hamline)         |
| 500+ Yards       | Never                                    |
| 40+ Attempts     | Dec. 7, 2024 (46, vs. Susquehanna, Pa.)* |
| 50+ Attempts     | Nov. 11, 2023 (51, at Concordia)         |
| 60+ Attempts     | Oct. 7, 2023 (60, vs. Concordia)         |
| 30+ Completions  | Dec. 7, 2024 (37, vs. Susquehanna, Pa.)* |
| 40+ Completions  | Oct. 7, 2023 (44, vs. Concordia)         |
| 4 Passing TD's   | Sept. 27, 2025 (4, vs. Augsburg)         |
| 5 Passing TD's   | Dec. 7, 2024 (5, vs. Susquehanna, Pa.)*  |
| 6 Passing TD's   | Nov. 9, 2024 (6, vs. St. Olaf)           |
| 7 Passing TD's   | Oct. 28, 2023 (8, vs. St. Scholastica)   |
| 8 Passing TD's   | Oct. 28, 2023 (8, vs. St. Scholastica)   |
| 3+ Interceptions | Nov. 26, 2022 (4, vs. Wartburg, lowa)*   |
| 4+ Interceptions | Nov. 26, 2022 (4, vs. Wartburg, lowa)*   |
| 5+ Interceptions | Oct. 28, 2000 (5, at Bethel)             |

#### **Combination Offense**

300-Yard Passer + 100-Yard Rusher

Oct. 12, 2024 at Concordia (399, Aaron Syverson; 128, Caden Wheeler)

200-Yard Passer + 100-Yard Rusher + 100-Yard Receiver

Oct. 12, 2024 at Concordia (399, Aaron Syverson; 128, Caden Wheeler; 159, Dylan Wheeler/132, Marselio Mendez) 200-Yard Passer + 100-Yard Rusher

Oct. 12, 2024 at Concordia (399, Aaron Syverson; 128, Caden Wheeler)

100-Yard Rusher + 100-Yard Receiver

Oct. 12, 2024 at Concordia (128, Caden Wheeler; 159, Dylan Wheeler/132, Marselio Mendez)

#### **Total Offense**

| 400+ Yards | Sept. 27, 2025 (624, vs. Augsburg) |  |
|------------|------------------------------------|--|
| 500+ Yards | Sept. 27, 2025 (624, vs. Augsburg) |  |
| 600+ Yards | Sept. 27, 2025 (624, vs. Augsburg) |  |
| 700+ Yards | Oct. 26, 2019 (749, at St. Olaf)   |  |
| 75+ Plays  | Oct. 19, 2024 (75, at Carleton)    |  |
| 85+ Plays  | Oct. 7, 2023 (87, vs. Concordia)   |  |

#### **Scoring**

| <u>Scoring</u>  |   |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| 14 Points or Less   | Sept. 7, 2019 (W, 14-7 at UW-Stout)               |  |  |  |
| 40+ Points  | Sept. 27, 2025 (W, 63-0, vs. Augsburg)            |  |  |  |
| 50+ Points  | Sept. 27, 2025 (W, 63-0, vs. Augsburg)            |  |  |  |
| 60+ Points  | Sept. 27, 2025 (W, 63-0, vs. Augsburg)            |  |  |  |
| 2-Point Conversion  | Sept. 2, 2023 (W, 34-31 in OT vs. Trinity, Texas) |  |  |  |
|   | (Aaron Syverson pass to Joey Gendreau)            |  |  |  |
| Opp. Scoreless  | Sept. 27, 2025 (W, 63-0, vs. Augsburg)            |  |  |  |
| Opp. Scoreless (Home)   | Sept. 13, 2025 (W, 49-0 vs. Minnesota-Morris)     |  |  |  |
| Opp. Scoreless (Road)   | Sept. 20, 2025 (W, 59-0, at Hamline)              |  |  |  |
| 2+ Shutouts in Season   | 2025 (3)  |  |  |  |
| 49-0 (vs. Minnesota-Morris), 59-0 (at Hamline), 63-0 (vs. Augsburg) |   |  |  |  |
| 3+ Shutouts in Season   | 2025 (3)  |  |  |  |
|   |   |  |  |  |

49-0 (vs. Minnesota-Morris), 59-0 (at Hamline), 63-0 (vs. Augsburg)

4+ Shutouts in Season 2021 (4)

Allowed 40+ Points

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49-0 (at Concordia), 50-0 (vs. Augsburg), 56-0 (vs. St. Olaf), 81-0 (vs. St. Scholastica) No Opp. Off. TD Sept. 27, 2025 (W, 63-0, vs. Augsburg) No Opp. Off. TD (Home) Sept. 27, 2025 (W, 63-0, vs. Augsburg) No Opp. Off. TD (Road) Sept. 20, 2025 (W, 59-0, at Hamline) Dec. 7, 2024 (L, 38-41, vs. Susquehanna, Pa.)\* Allowed 30+ Points

Dec. 7, 2024 (L, 38-41, vs. Susquehanna, Pa.)\*

| Allowed 50+ Points      | Sept. 9, 2023 (L, 28-56 at UW-Whitewater)          |
|-------------------------|--|
| 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    | Sept. 20, 2025 (at Hamline)            |
|---------------------|--|
| 4+ SJU Turnovers    | Nov. 26, 2022 (5, vs. Wartburg, Iowa)* |
| 5+ SJU Turnovers    | Nov. 26, 2022 (5, vs. Wartburg, Iowa)* |
| 3 SJU Fumbles Lost  | Nov. 5, 2016 (vs. Hamline)             |
| 4+ SJU Fumbles Lost | Sept. 29, 2018 (4, at Augsburg)        |
| 4+ Takeaways        | Nov. 16, 2024 (4, vs. Bethel)          |
| 5+ Takeaways        | Sept. 28, 2024 (5, at Bethel)          |
| 6+ Takeaways        | Oct. 13, 2018 (7, vs. St. Thomas)      |

#### Defense

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|-------------------------|--|
| 50 Rush Yards or Less   | Sept. 27, 2025 (36, vs. Augsburg)          |
| 100 Pass Yards or Less  | Sept. 27, 2025 (97, vs. Augsburg)          |
| 100 Total Yards or Less | Nov. 3, 2018 (98, vs. Hamline)             |
| 200 Total Yards or Less | Sept. 27, 2025 (133, vs. Augsburg)         |
| 4+ Interceptions        | Sept. 28, 2024 (4, at Bethel)              |
| 5+ Interceptions        | Nov. 12, 2022 (5, vs. Bethel)              |
| Scored a Safety         | Sept. 3, 2022 (W, 24-10 vs. UW-Whitewater) |
| Scored 2 Safeties       | Sept. 3, 2022 (W, 24-10 vs. UW-Whitewater) |
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#### Miscellaneous

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|--------------------------|--|
| 10 First Downs or Less   | Sept. 23, 2017 (6, vs. St. Thomas at Target Field) |
| 30+ First Downs          | Sept. 27, 2025 (36, vs. Augsburg)                  |
| No Penalties             | Nov. 2, 2024 (at St. Scholastica)                  |
| 10+ Penalties            | Oct. 5, 2024 (13, vs. Augsburg)                    |
| 40:00+ of Poss.          | Sept. 28, 2024 (40:06, at Bethel)                  |
| Less Than 25:00 of Poss. | Sept. 13, 2025 (24:08, vs. Minnesota-Morris)       |
| 0 Punts                  | Sept. 27, 2025 (vs. Augsburg)                      |
| 7+ Punts                 | Sept. 3, 2022 (9, vs. UW-Whitewater)               |
| 10+ Punts                | Dec. 2, 2000 (10, at Central, lowa)*               |
| Overtime Game            | Sept. 2, 2023 (OT; W, 34-31 vs. Trinity, Texas)    |
| Double-Overtime Game     | Nov. 2, 2013 (20T; L, 20-23 at Gustavus)           |
| Triple-Overtime Game     | Never  |
|                          |  |

#### **JOHNNIE PLAYER** Ruching

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|------------------------|---|
| 100+ Yards             | Oct. 12, 2024 (128, Caden Wheeler at Carleton)      |
| 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                  | Nov. 2, 2024 (3, Will Blakey at St. Scholastica)    |
| 4+ TD                  | Oct. 9, 2021 (4, Henry Trost vs. Augsburg)          |
| 5+ TD                  | Oct. 2, 2004 (5, Corey Weber vs. Hamline)           |
| Quarterback 2+ TD      | Sept. 27, 2025 (2, Zander Dittbenner vs. Augsburg)  |
| Quarterback 3+ TD      | Oct. 25, 2014 (3, Nick Martin vs. Carleton)         |
| Quarterback 4+ TD      | Nov. 20, 1976 (5, Jeff Norman vs. Augustana, III.)* |
| Quarterback 5+ TD      | Nov. 20, 1976 (5, Jeff Norman vs. Augustana, III.)* |
| 50-Yard Run            | Oct. 19, 2024 (69, Corey Bohmert at Carleton)       |
| 60-Yard Run            | Oct. 19, 2024 (69, Corey Bohmert at Carleton)       |
| 70-Yard Run            | Sept. 23, 2023 (77, Devin Vouk vs. Bethel)          |
| 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         | Sept. 20 at Hamline                                 |
|                        | (2, Corey Bohmert; 2, Zander Dittbenner)            |
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| Passing   | continued from p. 27   |
|---|--|
| 300+ Yards  | Dec. 7, 2024 (466, Aaron Syverson vs. Susquehanna, Pa.)*   |
| 400+ Yards  | Dec. 7, 2024 (466, Aaron Syverson vs. Susquehanna, Pa.)*   |
| 30+ Comp.   | Dec. 7, 2024 (37, Aaron Syverson vs. Susquehanna, Pa.)*  |
| 50-Yard Comp.   | Dec. 7, 2024 (89, Aaron Syverson vs. Susquehanna, Pa.)*  |
| 60-Yard Comp.   | Dec. 7, 2024 (89, Aaron Syverson vs. Susquehanna, Pa.)*  |
| 70-Yard Comp.   | Dec. 7, 2024 (89, Aaron Syverson vs. Susquehanna, Pa.)*  |
| 4+ TD   | Dec. 7, 2024 (5, Aaron Syverson vs. Susquehanna, Pa.)*   |
| 5+ TD   | Dec. 7, 2024 (5, Aaron Syverson vs. Susquehanna, Pa.)*   |
| 6+ TD<br>Non-QB Passing TD  | Nov. 9, 2024 (6, Aaron Syverson vs. St. Olaf) Oct. 27, 2018 (79, Will Gillach at Concordia)  |
| Receiving   |  |
| 150+ Yards  | Sept. 27, 2025 (166, Joey Gendreau vs. Augsburg)   |
| 200+ Yards  | Dec. 7, 2024 (10, Dylan Wheeler vs. Susquehanna, Pa.)*   |
| 10+ Receptions  | Sept. 27, 2025 (10, Joey Gendreau vs. Augsburg)  |
| 15+ Receptions  | Nov. 8, 2003 (15, Blake Elliott vs. Bethel)  |
| 3+ TD   | Sept. 20, 2025 (3, Dylan Wheeler at Hamline)   |
| 4+ TD   | Nov. 10, 2018 (4, Will Gillach vs. Thomas More, Ky.)   |
| 2 w/100+ Yards  | Dec. 7, 2024 vs. Susquehanna, Pa.*<br>(167, Riley Schwellenbach: 113, Marselio Mendez)   |
| 3 w/100+ Yards  | Nov. 11, 2023 at Concordia   |
| 5 W/100+ Talus  | (156, Nick VanErp; 101, Alex Larson; 101, Dylan Wheeler)   |
| 2 w/2 TD Each   | Nov. 16, 2024 vs. Bethel   |
|   | (3, Dylan Wheeler; 2, Marselio Mendez)   |
| 2 w/3 TD Each   | Nov. 9, 2024 vs. St. Olaf  |
|   | (3, Marselio Mendez; 3, Dylan Wheeler)   |
| <u>Defense</u>  |  |
| 15+ Tackles   | Oct. 27, 2018 (15, Nathan Brinker/Max Jackson at Concordia   |
| 2+ Sacks<br>3+ Sacks  | Sept. 27, 2025 (2.0, Zach Frank vs. Augsburg) Oct. 7, 2023 (3.0, Zach Frank vs. Concordia)   |
| 5+ Sacks<br>Fumble Return TD  | Oct. 22, 2022 (35, Metoriah Faoliu vs. Gustavus Adolphus)  |
| 2 Fumble Return TD  | Sept. 24, 1994 (10 & 24 yards, Brian Kohorst vs. Augsburg)   |
| 2 Interceptions   | Sept. 28, 2024 (2, Westin Hoyt at Bethel)  |
| 3 Interceptions   | Sept. 3, 2016 (3, Leonard Gutierrez vs. St. Scholastica)   |
| 4 Interceptions   | Oct. 18, 2003 (4, Paul Gans vs. Augsburg)  |
| Interception TD   | Sept. 13, 2025 (40, Jack St. Fleur vs. Minnesota-Morris)   |
| 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<br>(36, Nate Anderson lateral from Billy Lawrence; 59, Ethan Eig  |
| 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<br>2 PR TD's, 2 Players   | Oct. 13, 2001 (66 and 46, Blake Elliott vs. Gustavus) 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  | Nov. 30, 2024 (41, Conor Murphy vs. UW-La Crosse)*   |
| 60-Yard Punt  | Sept. 9, 2023 (61, Spencer Ell at UW-Whitewater)   |
| Blocked Extra Point   | Nov. 30, 2024 (Charlie King vs. UW-La Crosse)*   |
|   | Oct. 18, 2014 (Trevor Warner at Gustavus)  |
| Blocked Field Goal  | Sept. 28, 2019 (Collin Franz at Carleton)  |
| Blocked Punt  | Nov. 4, 2023 (Joe Rossebo at St. Olaf)   |
| FR TD & PR TD   | Oct. 17, 1992 vs. Bethel<br>(31-yard FR & 72-yard PR, John Beutz)  |
| PR TD & INT TD  | Dec. 14, 1963 vs. Prairie View A&M, Texas*<br>(41-yard PR, Bob Spinner; 44-yard INT, John McCormick)   |
| OPPONENT  | ,  |
| 100-Yard Receiver   | Dec. 7, 2024 (113, Kyle Howes vs. Susquehanna, Pa.)*   |
|   | Dec. 7, 2024 (176, Rahshan La Mons vs. Susquehanna, Pa.)*  |
|   |  |
| 100-Yard Rusher   | Oct. 12, 2024 at Concordia (396, Cooper Mattern)   |
| 100-Yard Rusher<br>300-Yard Passer<br>Blocked Extra Point   | Nov. 9, 2024 vs. St. Olaf (Tate Sauerwein)   |
| 100-Yard Rusher<br>300-Yard Passer<br>Blocked Extra Point<br>Returned PAT for 2 Points  | Nov. 9, 2024 vs. St. Olaf (Tate Sauerwein)<br>Nov. 2, 2019 vs. Concordia (Marshall King)   |
| 100-Yard Rusher<br>300-Yard Passer<br>Blocked Extra Point<br>Returned PAT for 2 Points<br>Blocked Field Goal  | Nov. 9, 2024 vs. St. Olaf (Tate Sauerwein)<br>Nov. 2, 2019 vs. Concordia (Marshall King)<br>Oct. 9, 2021 vs. Augsburg (Lionel Gates)   |
| 100-Yard Rusher<br>300-Yard Passer<br>Blocked Extra Point<br>Returned PAT for 2 Points<br>Blocked Field Goal<br>Blocked Punt                        | Nov. 9, 2024 vs. St. Olaf (Tate Sauerwein) Nov. 2, 2019 vs. Concordia (Marshall King) Oct. 9, 2021 vs. Augsburg (Lionel Gates) Sept. 14, 2024 vs. Wartburg, lowa (Tyler Gayer)   |
| 100-Yard Rusher<br>300-Yard Passer<br>Blocked Extra Point<br>Returned PAT for 2 Points<br>Blocked Field Goal<br>Blocked Punt<br>Blocked Punt for TD | Nov. 9, 2024 vs. St. Olaf (Tate Sauerwein) Nov. 2, 2019 vs. Concordia (Marshall King) Oct. 9, 2021 vs. Augsburg (Lionel Gates) Sept. 14, 2024 vs. Wartburg, Iowa (Tyler Gayer) Oct. 7, 2023 (5, Owen Miller vs. Concordia) |
| 100-Yard Rusher<br>300-Yard Passer<br>Blocked Extra Point<br>Returned PAT for 2 Points<br>Blocked Field Goal<br>Blocked Punt                        | Nov. 9, 2024 vs. St. Olaf (Tate Sauerwein) Nov. 2, 2019 vs. Concordia (Marshall King) Oct. 9, 2021 vs. Augsburg (Lionel Gates) Sept. 14, 2024 vs. Wartburg, lowa (Tyler Gayer)   |

# 2025 - EXPLOSIVE PLAYS (20+ YARDS)

| Player              | No. | TD | R | Р | KR | PR | IR | FR |
|---------------------|-----|----|---|---|----|----|----|----|
| Joey Gendreau       | 9   | 2  |   | 9 |    |    |    |    |
| Riley Schwellenbach | 8   |    |   | 8 |    |    |    |    |
| Dylan Wheeler       | 5   | 1  |   | 5 |    |    |    |    |
| Corey Bohmert       | 2   | 1  | 2 |   |    |    |    |    |
| Cade Berg           | 1   | 1  |   | 1 |    |    |    |    |
| Zander Dittbenner   | 1   | 1  | 1 |   |    |    |    |    |
| Westin Hoyt         | 1   |    |   |   |    |    | 1  |    |
| Wyatt McCabe        | 1   |    | 1 |   |    |    |    |    |
| Sam Nolan           | 1   |    |   | 1 |    |    |    |    |
| Hudson Poole        | 1   |    |   |   | 1  |    |    |    |
| Jack St. Fleur      | 1   | 1  |   |   |    |    | 1  |    |
| Caden Wheeler       | 1   |    | 1 |   |    |    |    |    |
|                     |     |    |   |   |    |    |    |    |

TOTAL: 32 (7 TD)
Rushing: 5 (2 TD)
Passing: 24 (4 TD)
Kickoff Returns: 1 (0 TD)
Punt Returns: 0 (0 TD)
Interception Returns: 2 (1 TD)
Blocked Kick/Fumble Returns: 0 (0 TD)

#### 2025 - TRACKING THE TURNOVERS

| Takeaways (6)                      | Qtr. | SJU Result |
|------------------------------------|------|------------|
| FUM - Minnesota-Morris (McMahon)   | 3rd  | TD         |
| INT - Minnesota-Morris (St. Fleur) | 3rd  | TD*        |
| INT - Hamline (Hoyt)               | 2nd  | TD         |
| INT - Hamline (Rogalski)           | 3rd  | Punt       |
| INT - Hamline (Dumonceaux)         | 3rd  | Punt       |
| FUM - Augsburg (Ryks)              | 4th  | Fumble     |

TOTAL: 6 takeaways for 21 points (3-for-6 scoring)

\*the turnover was returned for a touchdown

| Turnovers (4)                                     | Qtr. | Opp. Result |  |  |  |
|---|------|-------------|--|--|--|
| INT - Minnesota-Morris (Viemeister)               | 2nd  | End Half    |  |  |  |
| FUM - Minnesota-Morris (Young/Kaiser)             | 4th  | Downs       |  |  |  |
| FUM - Minnesota-Morris (Villalobos)               | 4th  | Downs       |  |  |  |
| FUM - Augsburg (Johnson/Oseth)                    | 4th  | Punt        |  |  |  |
| TOTAL: 4 turnovers for 0 points (0-for-4 scoring) |      |             |  |  |  |

Scoring Off Turnovers (+21, 21/0)

### 2025 - LONGEST PLAYS OF THE YEAR

Rush: 29, Corey Bohmert vs. Minnesota-Morris (Sept. 13)
Pass Reception: 53, Riley Schwellenbach at Hamline (Sept. 20)
Kickoff Return: 30, Hudson Poole vs. Augsburg (Sept. 27)
Punt Return: 15, Hudson Poole vs. Augsburg (Sept. 27)
Interception Return: 45, Westin Hoyt at Hamline (Sept. 20)

Blocked Kick/Fumble Return: N/A Punt: 48, Matt Hansen at Hamline (Sept. 20) Field Goal: 37, Matt Hansen at Hamline (Sept. 20) **37** 

# **MIAC CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Despite missing the first season of MIAC football in 1920, Saint John's leads all member schools with 37 conference championships, won or shared, in 102 MIAC seasons. That's more than one title every three seasons, over 10 decades.













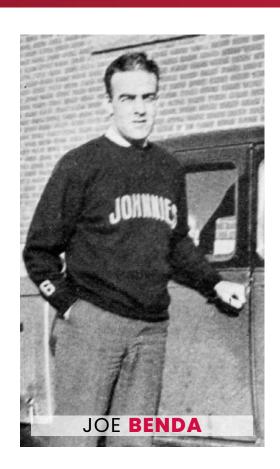


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# **NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS:** 1963, 1965, 1976, 2003



# **A WINNING TRADITION**

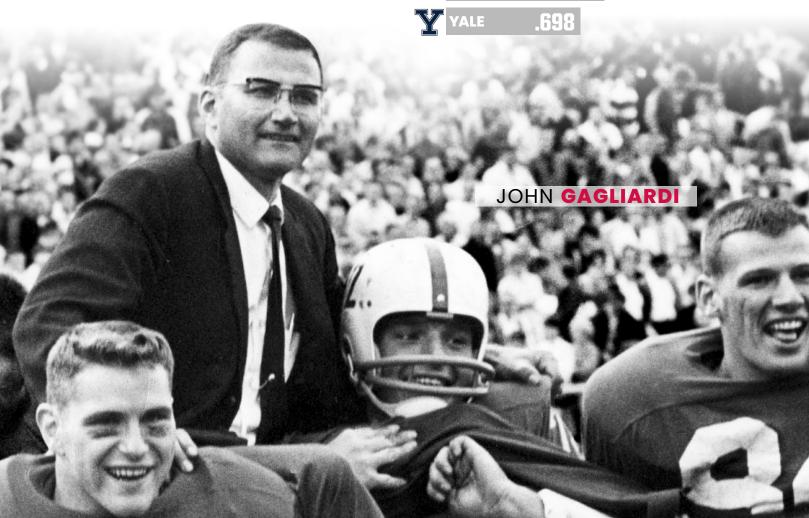


# WINNINGEST PROGRAM IN NCAA DIVISION III HISTORY

Saint John's enters the 2025 season with a .723 winning percentage, which leads all NCAA Division III institutions. The mark is tied with Oklahoma for fifth in all of college football, behind household names like Ohio State (.736), Michigan (.733), Alabama (.733) and Notre Dame (.732). That's good company.

\*Entering the 2025 season

| OHIO STATE        | .736 |
|-------------------|------|
| MICHIGAN          | .733 |
| ALABAMA           | .733 |
| NOTRE DAME        | .732 |
| SAINT JOHN'S      | .723 |
| OKLAHOMA          | .723 |
| LINFIELD .705     |      |
| <b>TEXAS</b> .705 |      |
| whitewater .703   |      |
| YALE _698         |      |



# A LEGACY OF EXCELLENCE



Since **Edward Callanan** was named an All-American in 1938, Saint John's football has had 153 more selections, beginning a tradition of All-American excellence on the field. Guard **Chuck Froehle** was the first-repeat and first three-time selection in program history (1954, 1955 and 1956). He is one of 29 players to earn more than one All-America award. SJU has had more than one All-American in 40 seasons and 24 seasons with three selections or more.











## **LEADING THE MIAC IN ALL-AMERICANS**

SJU's 154 All-America selections are the most by any MIAC school by nearly four times over. All other current MIAC institutions have had a combined 179 All-Americans. Four schools – Carleton, Concordia, Gustavus Adolphus and Hamline – earned over half of their All-America awards before the 2000 season

Eleven Johnnies have earned 14 All-America honors since 2021, including five in the 2024 season. Three All-Americans (defensive lineman **Zach Frank**, tight end **Joey Gendreau** and wide receiver **Dylan Wheeler**) return for their senior season in 2025. No other team in the conference returned a 2024 All-American.

Five of the current coaches on the SJU staff were named All-Americans during their tenure as Saint John's players: **Brandon Novak**, **Damien Dumonceaux**, **Josh Bungum**, **Ben Eli** and **Max Jackson**. Novak (1998 and 1999) and Jackson (2017 and 2018) were both multi-year selections in their careers, and were also multi-sport athletes (wrestling and baseball).

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# **SJU ALL-AMERICANS**

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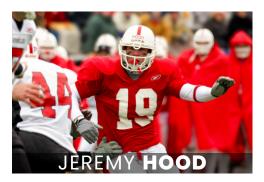


Johnnie

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Saint John's football has had a total of 70 All-Americans since 2000 - nearly more than every other MIAC school combined. Of those 70 All-Americans, 14 earned more than one selection to an All-America team, while five were three-time honorees: Blake Elliott '03 (2001, 2002, 2003), Dan Greenheck '20 (2017, 2018, 2019), Jeremy Hood '04 (2001, 2002, 2003), Alex Larson '23 (2021, 2022, 2023) and Cam McCambridge '03 (2001, 2002, 2003). SJU has had an All-American in 22 of the last 25 years, missing just two competitive seasons: 2013 and 2008 (not including the cancelled 2020 season). More than one Johnnie has been named an All-American in 19 of those 22 seasons, with a program-record seven selections in 2019.



MULTI-TIME ALL-AMERICANS

YEAR STREAK OF ALL-AMERICANS

# **70 ALL-AMERICANS IN 25 YEARS**



**ALL-AMERICANS** 

| PLAYER            | POSITION       | YEAI |
|-------------------|----------------|------|
| Nate Kirschner    | Tight End      | 2000 |
| Beau LaBore       | Linebacker     | 2000 |
| Tom Linnemann     | Quarterback    | 2000 |
| Chris Moore       | Running Back   | 2000 |
| Chris Salvato     | Offensive Line | 2000 |
| Alex Wesley       | Defensive Line | 2000 |
| Ryan Danielson    | Defensive End  | 2001 |
| Blake Elliott     | Wide Receiver  | 2001 |
| Jeremy Hood       | Defensive End  | 2001 |
| Cam McCambridge   | Linebacker     | 2001 |
| Blake Elliott     | Wide Receiver  | 2002 |
| Jeremy Hood       | Defensive End  | 2002 |
| Dan Kosel         | Offensive Line | 2002 |
| Cam McCambridge   | Linebacker     | 2002 |
| Jason Pflipsen    | Defensive Back | 2002 |
| Justin Cass       | Offensive Line | 2003 |
| Blake Elliott     | Wide Receiver  | 2003 |
| Jeremy Hood       | Defensive End  | 2003 |
| Cam McCambridge   | Linebacker     | 2003 |
| Ryan Weinandt     | Defensive Line | 2003 |
| Jason Good        | Defensive Line | 2004 |
| Damien Dumonceaux | Defensive Line | 2005 |
| Matt Nelson       | Offensive Line | 2005 |
| Nick Gunderson    | Defensive Line | 2006 |
| Kevin McNamara    | Defensive Line | 2006 |
| Nick Gunderson    | Defensive Line | 2007 |
| Andrew Salvato    | Offensive Line | 2007 |
| Kyle Schroeder    | Defensive Line | 2009 |
| Ryan Wimmer       | Linebacker     | 2009 |
| Kyle Schroeder    | Defensive Line | 2010 |
| Bobby Fischer     | Defensive Back | 2011 |
| Bobby Fischer     | Defensive Back | 2012 |
| Jimmie Mattson    | Kicker         | 2012 |
| Ross Carlson      | Offensive Line | 2014 |
| Sam Sura          | Running Back   | 2014 |

| PLAYER              | POSITION       | YEAR |
|---------------------|----------------|------|
| Josh Bungum         | Returner       | 201  |
| Carter Hanson       | Linebacker     | 2015 |
| Sam Sura            | Running Back   | 2015 |
| Peyton Thiry        | Defensive Line | 2015 |
| Ben Eli             | Offensive Line | 2016 |
| Carter Hanson       | Linebacker     | 2016 |
| Dan Greenheck       | Offensive Line | 2017 |
| Max Jackson         | Defensive Back | 2017 |
| Tommy Auger         | Tight End      | 2018 |
| Nathan Brinker      | Defensive Line | 2018 |
| Jackson Erdmann     | Quarterback    | 2018 |
| Will Gillach        | Wide Receiver  | 2018 |
| Dan Greenheck       | Offensive Line | 2018 |
| Max Jackson         | Defensive Back | 2018 |
| Ravi Alston         | Wide Receiver  | 2019 |
| Ben Bartch          | Offensive Line | 2019 |
| Jackson Erdmann     | Quarterback    | 2019 |
| Dan Greenheck       | Offensive Line | 2019 |
| Chris Harris        | Defensive Back | 2019 |
| Danny Pietruszewski | Linebacker     | 2019 |
| J.W. Windsor        | Defensive Line | 2019 |
| Ravi Alston         | Wide Receiver  | 2021 |
| Alex Larson         | Tight End      | 2021 |
| Nick Neumann        | Offensive Line | 2021 |
| Michael Wozniak     | Defensive Line | 2021 |
| Metoriah Faoliu     | Defensive Line | 2022 |
| Alex Larson         | Tight End      | 2022 |
| Michael Wozniak     | Defensive Line | 2022 |
| Joe Jaeger          | Offensive Line | 2023 |
| Alex Larson         | Tight End      | 2023 |
| Zach Frank          | Offensive Line | 2024 |
| Joey Gendreau       | Tight End      | 2024 |
| Nick McKenzie       | Offensive Line | 2024 |
| Aaron Syverson      | Quarterback    | 2024 |
| Dylan Wheeler       | Wide Receiver  | 2024 |
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# **TOP OF THE LINE**



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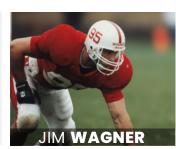
ZACH FRANK

# SJU ALL-AMERICA LINEMEN

| PLAYER            | POSITION         | YEAR |
|-------------------|------------------|------|
| Roger Ludwig      | Offensive Tackle | 1958 |
| Sev Youso         | Offensive Tackle | 1958 |
| Felix Mannella    | Offensive Guard  | 1959 |
| Bob Gavin         | Offensive Guard  | 1961 |
| Fred Philipson    | Offensive Tackle | 1961 |
| Bob Stolz         | Offensive Tackle | 1961 |
| John McDowell     | Offensive Tackle | 1962 |
| Tom McIntyre      | Offensive Tackle | 1962 |
| Bill Wagner       | Center           | 1962 |
| Dave Honer        | Offensive Guard  | 1963 |
| John McDowell     | Defensive Tackle | 1963 |
| Michael Collins   | Def./Off. Tackle | 1964 |
| Fred Cremer       | Offensive Tackle | 1964 |
| Jack Hickey       | Center           | 1964 |
| Michael Collins   | Def./Off. Tackle | 1965 |
| Fred Cremer       | Offensive Tackle | 1965 |
| Fred Cremer       | Offensive Tackle | 1966 |
| Lyle Mathiasen    | Offensive Line   | 1973 |
| Ernie England     | Defensive Line   | 1978 |
| Ernie England     | Defensive Line   | 1979 |
| John Sowada       | Offensive Line   | 1982 |
| Jeff Chalmers     | Offensive Line   | 1983 |
| Steve O'Toole     | Defensive Line   | 1991 |
| Burt Chamberlin   | Offensive Line   | 1992 |
| Burt Chamberlin   | Offensive Line   | 1993 |
| Jim Wagner        | Defensive Line   | 1993 |
| Brian Kohorst     | Defensive Line   | 1994 |
| Jim Wagner        | Defensive Line   | 1994 |
| Jesse Redepenning | Offensive Line   | 1995 |
| Jesse Redepenning | Offensive Line   | 1996 |
| Matt Griffifth    | Defensive Line   | 1997 |

| PLAYER            | POSITION       | YEAR |
|-------------------|----------------|------|
| Joe Kaczrowski    | Defensive Line | 1998 |
| Chris Salvato     | Offensive Line | 2000 |
| Alex Wesley       | Defensive Line | 2000 |
| Dan Kosel         | Offensive Line | 2002 |
| Justin Cass       | Offensive Line | 2003 |
| Ryan Weinandt     | Defensive Line | 2003 |
| Jason Good        | Defensive Line | 2004 |
| Damien Dumonceaux | Defensive Line | 2005 |
| Matt Nelson       | Offensive Line | 2005 |
| Nick Gunderson    | Defensive Line | 2006 |
| Kevin McNamara    | Defensive Line | 2006 |
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| Andrew Salvato    | Offensive Line | 2007 |
| Kyle Schroeder    | Defensive Line | 2009 |
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| Ross Carlson      | Offensive Line | 2014 |
| Peyton Thiry      | Defensive Line | 2015 |
| Ben Eli           | Offensive Line | 2016 |
| Dan Greenheck     | Offensive Line | 2017 |
| Nathan Brinker    | Defensive Line | 2018 |
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| Michael Wozniak   | Defensive Line | 2022 |
| Joe Jaeger        | Offensive Line | 2023 |
| Zach Frank        | Offensive Line | 2024 |
| Nick McKenzie     | Offensive Line | 2024 |





# **LINEMAN U**

SJU has produced a long line of success across the offensive and defensive lines, with a total of 65 All-America honors among 53 student-athletes. That number is more than any other MIAC program's total All-Americans. In comparison, Bethel has 41 All-Americans, all-time. The Johnnies have had an All-American on the offensive line in seven of the last eight seasons and on the defensive line in five of the last six.

# THE GAGLIARDI TROPHY

#### PRESENTED ANNUALLY TO THE OUTSTANDING FOOTBALL PLAYER IN NCAA DIVISION III FOOTBALL BY THE J-CLUB OF SAINT JOHN'S UNIVERSITY.

The Gagliardi Trophy is presented by Stearns Bank to the most outstanding football player in NCAA Division III and has been given annually since 1993. It recognizes excellence in athletics, academics and community service. The award is named after **John Gagliardi**, Saint John's legendary Hall of Fame head football coach who passed away at the age of 91 in 2018.

John retired in 2012 with 489 career victories, the most in college football history. Stearns Bank's long-time CEO Norm Skalicky and Gagliardi were good friends and admirers of one another. Both became legends in their respective fields - not just because of their success, but because of how they looked uniquely upon their work.

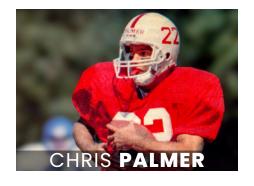


Nominations are submitted by colleges across the country, and the semifinalists are selected by the J-Club Board of Directors. The Gagliardi Trophy national-selection committee (voters) is comprised of 18 Division III coaches (three from each NCAA Region), six Division III administrators (one from each region), 12 regional notable voters (two from each region) and six national voters with Division III backgrounds. No J-Club members vote as part of the national-selection committee.

Since its inception, SJU has had 17 finalists - the second-most of any Division III institution. Saint John's has had four athletes win the trophy named after their program's long-time head coach: wide receiver **Chris Palmer** (1995), wide receiver/returner **Blake Elliott** (2003), linebacker **Carter Hanson** (2016) and quarterback **Jackson Erdmann** (2018).









### **GAGLIARDI TROPHY FINALISTS**

| PLAYER            | POSITION             | YEAR |
|-------------------|----------------------|------|
| Willie Seiler     | Quarterback          | 1993 |
| Matt Malmberg     | Running Back         | 1994 |
| Chris Palmer*     | Wide Receiver        | 1995 |
| Kurt Ramler       | Quarterback          | 1996 |
| Tom Linnemann     | Quarterback          | 2000 |
| Blake Elliott     | Wide Receiver/Return | 2002 |
| Blake Elliott*    | Wide Receiver/Return | 2003 |
| Damien Dumonceaux | Defensive Tackle     | 2005 |
| Alex Kofoed       | Quarterback          | 2007 |
| Sam Sura          | Running Back         | 2014 |
| Sam Sura          | Running Back         | 2015 |
| Carter Hanson*    | Linebacker           | 2016 |
| Jackson Erdmann*  | Quarterback          | 2018 |
| Jackson Erdmann   | Quarterback          | 2019 |
| Michael Wozniak   | Defensive Line       | 2022 |
| Aaron Syverson    | Quarterback          | 2023 |
| Aaron Syverson    | Quarterback          | 2024 |
| *denotes winner   |                      |      |







# **GAME 1: SAINT JOHN'S 49, MINNESOTA-MORRIS 0**

Saturday, Sept. 13 | Blake Elliott Day

Collegeville, Minn. I Clemens Stadium I Attendance: 8,759





#### **SCORING SUMMARY**

| QTR 1 | TIME  | TEAM |  | DRIVE                       | UMM | SJU |
|-------|-------|------|--|-----------------------------|-----|-----|
| 1st ( | 00:00 | SJU  | Caden Wheeler 3 yd run (Matt Hansen kick),                     | 7 plays, 67 yards, TOP 4:13 | 0   | 7   |
| 2nd 1 | 10:08 | SJU  | Corey Bohmert 20 yd run (Matt Hansen kick),                    | 5 plays, 65 yards, TOP 2:07 | 0   | 14  |
| 2nd ( | 06:10 | SJU  | Joey Gendreau 8 yd pass from Trey Feeney (Matt Hansen kick)    | 5 plays, 61 yards, TOP 2:07 | 0   | 21  |
| 3rd 1 | 13:32 | SJU  | Joey Gendreau 35 yd pass from Z. Dittbenner (Matt Hansen kick) | 3 plays, 68 yards, TOP 1:24 | 0   | 28  |
| 3rd ( | 07:53 | SJU  | Dylan Wheeler 1 yd pass from Trey Feeney (Matt Hansen kick)    | 3 plays, 43 yards, TOP 1:31 | 0   | 35  |
| 3rd ( | 06:52 | SJU  | Jack St. Fleur 40 yd interception (Matt Hansen kick)           |                             | 0   | 42  |
| 3rd ( | 01:50 | SJU  | Caden Wheeler 9 yd run (Matt Hansen kick),                     | 6 plays, 63 yards, TOP 3:17 | 0   | 49  |

#### **TEAM STATISTICS**

|                                | UMM     | SJU    |
|--------------------------------|---------|--------|
| FIRST DOWNS                    | 9       | 23     |
| Rushing                        | 5       | 10     |
| Passing                        | 3       | 13     |
| Penalty                        | 1       | 0_     |
| NET YARDS RUSHING              | 79      | 197    |
| Rushing Attempts               | 40      | 24     |
| Average Per Rush               | 2.0     | 8.2    |
| Rushing Touchdowns             | 0       | 3      |
| Yards Gained Rushing           | 118     | 210    |
| Yards Lost Rushing             | 39      | 13     |
| NET YARDS PASSING              | 45      | 291    |
| Completions-Attempts-Int       | 8-16-1  | 20-24- |
| Average Per Attempt            | 2.8     | 12.1   |
| Average Per Completion         | 5.6     | 14.6   |
| Passing Touchdowns             | 0       | 3      |
| TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS            | 124     | 488    |
| Total offense plays            | 56      | 48     |
| Average Gain Per Play          | 2.2     | 10.2   |
| Fumbles: Number-Lost           | 3-1     | 3-2    |
| Penalties: Number-Yards        | 0-0     | 3-25   |
| PUNTS-YARDS                    | 7-272   | 1-39   |
| Average Yards Per Punt         | 38.9    | 39.0   |
| Net Yards Per Punt             | 35.3    | 39.0   |
| Inside 20                      | 1       | 1      |
| 50+ Yards                      | 1       | 0      |
| Touchbacks                     | 0       | 0_     |
| Fair catch                     | 1       | 0      |
| KICKOFFS-YARDS                 | 1-50    | 8-465  |
| Average Yards Per Kickoff      | 50.0    | 58.1   |
| Net Yards Per Kickoff          | 33.0    | 41.6   |
| Touchbacks                     | 0       | 0      |
| Fair Catch Yards               | 0       | 0_     |
| Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD  | 0-0-0   | 4-25-0 |
| Average Per Return             | 0.0     | 6.2    |
| Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD | 8-132-0 | 1-17-0 |
| Average Per Return             | 16.5    | 17.0   |
| Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD   | 1-0-0   | 1-40-1 |
| Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD  | 0-0-0   | 0-0-0  |
| Miscellaneous Yards            | 0       | 0      |
| Possession Time                | 35:52   | 24:08  |
| 1st Quarter                    | 7:16    | 7:44   |
| 2nd Quarter                    | 8:13    | 6:47   |
| 3rd Quarter                    | 8:44    | 6:16   |
| 4th Quarter                    | 11:39   | 3:21   |
| Third-Down Conversions         | 5 of 15 | 0 of 1 |
| Fourth-Down Conversions        | 0 of 2  | 0 of 0 |
| Red-Zone Scores-Chances        | 0-2     | 5-6    |
| Touchdowns                     | 0-2     | 5-6    |
| Field goals                    | 0-2     | 0-6    |
| Sacks By: Number-Yards         | 1-7     | 3-16   |
| PAT Kicks                      | 0-0     | 7-7    |
| Field Goals                    | 0-0     | 0-0    |
| Points off turnovers           | 0       | 14     |

### **PASSING STATS**

|                   | GWP-AI I-IN I | รบจ | עו | LUNG | SAUK |
|-------------------|---------------|-----|----|------|------|
| Trey Feeney       | 12-13-0       | 141 | 2  | 30   | 0    |
| Zander Dittbenner | 7-10-1        | 138 | 1  | 35   | 1    |
| Lucas Jansky      | 1-1-0         | 12  | 0  | 12   | 0    |
| TOTALS            | 20-24-1       | 291 | 3  | 35   | 1    |

#### **RUSHING STATS**

|                   | NO. | GAIN | LOSS | NET | TD | LONG | AVG. |
|-------------------|-----|------|------|-----|----|------|------|
| Caden Wheeler     | 8   | 83   | 2    | 81  | 2  | 25   | 10.1 |
| Corey Bohmert     | 5   | 73   | 0    | 73  | 1  | 29   | 14.6 |
| Dylan Kirchner    | 3   | 22   | 4    | 18  | 0  | 14   | 6.0  |
| Wyatt McCabe      | 1   | 8    | 0    | 8   | 0  | 8    | 8.0  |
| Logan Eisele      | 2   | 8    | 0    | 8   | 0  | 6    | 4.0  |
| Zander Dittbenner | 4   | 13   | 7    | 6   | 0  | 6    | 1.5  |
| Lucas Jansky      | 1   | 3    | 0    | 3   | 0  | 3    | 3.0  |
| TOTALS            | 24  | 210  | 13   | 197 | 3  | 29   | 8.2  |

#### **RECEIVING STATS**

|                     | NO. | YDS | TD | LONG |
|---------------------|-----|-----|----|------|
| Joey Gendreau       | 8   | 124 | 2  | 35   |
| Caden Wheeler       | 3   | 44  | 0  | 17   |
| Dylan Wheeler       | 3   | 29  | 1  | 24   |
| Riley Schwellenbach | 2   | 62  | 0  | 32   |
| Faaris Amegankpoe   | 1   | 12  | 0  | 12   |
| Thomas Jacobs       | 1   | 8   | 0  | 8    |
| Owen Amrhein        | 1   | 6   | 0  | 6    |
| Dylan Kirchner      | 1   | 6   | 0  | 6    |
| TOTALS              | 20  | 291 | 3  | 35   |

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| Aiden McMahon      | 5   | 4       | 9   | 1.0/1    | -/-      | 1  | 1/-      | -    | 1  | -   | -   |
| Jack St. Fleur     | 4   | 1       | 5   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | 1-40 | -  | -   | -   |
| Landon Danner      | 2   | 3       | 5   | 1.0/2    | 0.5/1    | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Evan Wahlin        | 2   | 3       | 5   | 1.0/3    | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Grady Minnerath    | 1   | 4       | 5   | 1.0/-    | 0.5/-    | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Peyton Goettlicher | 1   | 3       | 4   | 0.5/1    | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Melvin Wallace     | 1   | 3       | 4   | 1.0/3    | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Jack Krza          | 2   | 2       | 4   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Chandler Obering   | 1   | 2       | 3   | 1.5/4    | -/-      | 1  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Cole Engen         | 1   | 2       | 3   | 0.5/4    | 0.5/4    | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Zach Frank         | 1   | 2       | 3   | 1.5/11   | 1.5/11   | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | 1   |
| Jawahn Cockfield   | -   | 3       | 3   | 1.0/1    | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Mark Rogalski      | -   | 2       | 2   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Vincent Pyne       | 2   | -       | 2   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | 1  | -   | -   |
| Adam Schavey       | 2   | -       | 2   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Zachariah Hunter   | 1   | 1       | 2   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Aaron Baisley      | 1   | 1       | 2   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Hudson Poole       | 2   | -       | 2   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| John Karkula       | -   | 1       | 1   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Nolan Dumonceaux   | 1   | -       | 1   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Will Peroutka      | 1   | -       | 1   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | 1  | -   | -   |
| Joey Moberg        | -   | 1       | 1   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Isaac Potter       | -   | 1       | 1   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Alex Harren        | 1   | -       | 1   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Charlie Ryks       | -   | 1       | 1   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Tyler Smith        | 1   | -       | 1   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Eric Jurek         | -   | 1       | 1   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Riley DeRosier     | -   | 1       | 1   | -/-      | -/-      | -  | -/-      | -    | -  | -   | -   |
|                    |     |         |     |          |          |    |          |      |    |     |     |





## **GAME 2: SAINT JOHN'S 59, HAMLINE 0**

Saturday, Sept. 20

St. Paul, Minn. I Klas Field I Attendance: 450





#### **SCORING SUMMARY**

| QTR | TIME  | TEAM |  | DRIVE                        | HAM | SJU |
|-----|-------|------|--|------------------------------|-----|-----|
| 1st | 11:22 | SJU  | Dylan Wheeler 3 yd pass from Trey Feeney (Matt Hansen kick)    | 8 plays, 75 yards, TOP 3:38  | 7   | 0   |
| 1st | 04:23 | SJU  | Corey Bohmert 4 yd run (Matt Hansen kick),                     | 5 plays, 75 yards, TOP 1:48  | 14  | 0   |
| 1st | 01:11 | SJU  | Z. Dittbenner 8 yd run (Matt Hansen kick),                     | 5 plays, 25 yards, TOP 1:40  | 21  | 0   |
| 2nd | 10:01 | SJU  | Z. Dittbenner 12 yd run (Matt Hansen kick),                    | 6 plays, 94 yards, TOP 3:21  | 28  | 0   |
| 2nd | 04:03 | SJU  | Corey Bohmert 9 yd run (Matt Hansen kick),                     | 1 plays, 9 yards, TOP 0:08   | 35  | 0   |
| 2nd | 01:05 | SJU  | Matt Hansen 37 yd field goal                                   | 6 plays, 26 yards, TOP 1:00  | 38  | 0   |
| 3rd | 12:05 | SJU  | Dylan Wheeler 19 yd pass from Z. Dittbenner (Matt Hansen kick) | 3 plays, 59 yards, TOP 1:23  | 45  | 0   |
| 3rd | 06:50 | SJU  | Dylan Wheeler 3 yd pass from Trey Feeney (Matt Hansen kick)    | 8 plays, 61 yards, TOP 4:22  | 52  | 0   |
| 4th | 06:47 | SJU  | Cade Berg 20 vd pass from Reece Dawson (Matt Hansen kick)      | 10 plays, 69 yards, TOP 5:23 | 59  | 0   |

#### TEAM STATISTICS

| TEAM STATISTICS                |         |         |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|
|                                | SJU     | HAM     |
| FIRST DOWNS                    | 30      | 9       |
| Rushing                        | 9       | 2       |
| Passing                        | 20      | 6       |
| Penalty                        | 1       | 1       |
| NET YARDS RUSHING              | 177     | 28      |
| Rushing Attempts               | 36      | 23      |
| Average Per Rush               | 4.9     | 1.2     |
| Rushing Touchdowns             | 4       | 0       |
| Yards Gained Rushing           | 186     | 63      |
| Yards Lost Rushing             | 9       | 35      |
| NET YARDS PASSING              | 441     | 170     |
| Completions-Attempts-Int       | 26-38-0 | 15-27-3 |
| Average Per Attempt            | 11.6    | 6.3     |
| Average Per Completion         | 17.0    | 11.3    |
| Passing Touchdowns             | 4       | 0       |
| TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS            | 618     | 198     |
|                                |         |         |
| Total offense plays            | 74      | 50      |
| _ Average Gain Per Play        | 8.4     | 4.0     |
| Fumbles: Number-Lost           | 0-0     | 2-0     |
| Penalties: Number-Yards        | 2-25    | 6-34    |
| PUNTS-YARDS                    | 2-75    | 9-287   |
| Average Yards Per Punt         | 37.5    | 31.9    |
| Net Yards Per Punt             | 35.5    | 29.7    |
| Inside 20                      | 1       | 2       |
| 50+ Yards                      | 0       | 1       |
| Touchbacks                     | 0       | 1       |
| Fair catch                     | 1       | 7       |
| KICKOFFS-YARDS                 | 10-510  | 1-65    |
| Average Yards Per Kickoff      | 51.0    | 65.0    |
| Net Yards Per Kickoff          | 43.5    | 40.0    |
| Touchbacks                     | 1       | 1       |
| Fair Catch Yards               | 64      | O       |
| Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD  | 0-0-0   | 1-4-0   |
| Average Per Return             | 0.0     | 4.0     |
| Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD | 0.0     | 3-50-0  |
|                                |         |         |
| Average Per Return             | 0.0     | 16.7    |
| Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD   | 3-55-0  | 0-0-0   |
| Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD  | 0-0-0   | 0-0-0   |
| Miscellaneous Yards            | 0       | 0       |
| Possession Time                | 33:34   | 26:26   |
| 1st Quarter                    | 7:06    | 7:54    |
| 2nd Quarter                    | 6:25    | 8:35    |
| 3rd Quarter                    | 9:31    | 5:29    |
| 4th Quarter                    | 10:32   | 4:28    |
| Third-Down Conversions         | 3 of 9  | 1 of 11 |
| Fourth-Down Conversions        | 2 of 3  | 0 of 0  |
| Red-Zone Scores-Chances        | 9-10    | 0-1     |
| Touchdowns                     | 8-10    | 0-1     |
| Field goals                    | 1-10    | 0-1     |
| Sacks By: Number-Yards         | 3-26    | 0-0     |
| PAT Kicks                      | 8-8     | 0-0     |
| Field Goals                    | 1-1     | 0-0     |
| Points off turnovers           | 7       | 0-0     |
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### PASSING STATS

|                   | CMP-ATT-INT | YDS | TD | LONG | SACK |
|-------------------|-------------|-----|----|------|------|
| Trey Feeney       | 14-20-0     | 215 | 2  | 29   | 0    |
| Zander Dittbenner | 8-12-0      | 160 | 1  | 53   | 0    |
| Lucas Jansky      | 3-5-0       | 46  | 0  | 29   | 0    |
| Reece Dawson      | 1-1-0       | 20  | 1  | 20   | 0    |
| TOTALS            | 26-38-0     | 441 | 4  | 53   | 0    |

#### **RUSHING STATS**

|                   | NO. | GAIN | LOSS | NET | TD | LONG | AVG. |
|-------------------|-----|------|------|-----|----|------|------|
| Dylan Kirchner    | 7   | 43   | 0    | 43  | 0  | 9    | 6.1  |
| Corey Bohmert     | 7   | 40   | 0    | 40  | 2  | 11   | 5.7  |
| Zander Dittbenner | 5   | 35   | 3    | 32  | 2  | 12   | 6.4  |
| Tyler Hoheisel    | 3   | 25   | 0    | 25  | 0  | 14   | 8.3  |
| Maverick Harper   | 2   | 14   | 0    | 14  | 0  | 11   | 7.0  |
| Trey Feeney       | 1   | 12   | 0    | 12  | 0  | 12   | 12.0 |
| Logan Eisele      | 4   | 5    | 0    | 5   | 0  | 2    | 1.2  |
| Lucas Jansky      | 2   | 4    | 0    | 4   | 0  | 2    | 2.0  |
| Wyatt McCabe      | 3   | 8    | 4    | 4   | 0  | 5    | 1.3  |
| TEAM              | 2   | 0    | 2    | -2  | 0  | 0    | -1.0 |
| TOTALS            | 36  | 186  | 9    | 177 | 4  | 14   | 4.9  |

# **RECEIVING STATS**

|                     | NO. | YDS | TD | LONG |
|---------------------|-----|-----|----|------|
| Joey Gendreau       | 9   | 137 | 0  | 24   |
| Dylan Wheeler       | 6   | 79  | 3  | 29   |
| Riley Schwellenbach | 5   | 140 | 0  | 53   |
| Sam Nolan           | 1   | 29  | 0  | 29   |
| Cade Berg           | 1   | 20  | 1  | 20   |
| Andrew Harren       | 1   | 10  | 0  | 10   |
| Thomas Jacobs       | 1   | 9   | 0  | 9    |
| Dylan Kirchner      | 1   | 9   | 0  | 9    |
| Joey Moberg         | 1   | 8   | 0  | 8    |
| TOTALS              | 26  | 441 | 4  | 53   |

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|--------------------|-----|--------|-----|---------|--------|----|--------|------|----|-----|-----|
| <b>DEFENSE S</b>   |     | .O AST | тот | TFL/YDS | SK/YDS | FF | FR/YDS | INT  | BR | BLK | ОВН |
| Aiden McMahon      | 5   | 1      | 6   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Peyton Goettlicher | 5   | 1      | 6   | 1.0/3   | -/-    | 1  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Landon Danner      | 2   | 2      | 4   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Jawahn Cockfield   | 3   | 1      | 4   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | 1   |
| Rilev DeRosier     | -   | 3      | 3   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Zach Frank         | 3   | -      | 3   | 3.0/10  | 1.0/4  | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Mark Rogalski      | 1   | 1      | 2   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | 1-0  | -  | -   | -   |
| Vincent Pyne       | 1   | 1      | 2   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Zachariah Hunter   | -   | 2      | 2   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Westin Hoyt        | 2   | -      | 2   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | 1-45 | -  | -   | -   |
| Alex Harren        | -   | 2      | 2   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Charlie Ryks       | -   | 2      | 2   | 0.5/1   | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Jack Krza          | 1   | 1      | 2   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Tommy Gilmore      | 2   | -      | 2   | 1.0/5   | 1.0/5  | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Jack Št. Fleur     | -   | 1      | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Adam Schavey       | -   | 1      | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | 1   |
| Blake Simonson     | -   | 1      | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | 1  | -   | -   |
| Will Peroutka      | 1   | -      | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | 2  | -   | -   |
| Isaac Potter       | -   | 1      | 1   | 0.5/2   | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Matt Hansen        | 1   | -      | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Hudson Poole       | 1   | -      | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Logan Eisele       | 1   | -      | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| J.P. Weber         | -   | 1      | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Jayden Leach       | 1   | -      | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Grady Minnerath    | 1   | -      | 1   | 1.0/17  | 1.0/17 | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Chandler Obering   | 1   | -      | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | -    | -  | -   | -   |
| Nolan Dumonceaux   | -   | -      | -   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/-    | 1-10 | -  | -   | -   |





## **GAME 3: SAINT JOHN'S 63, AUGSBURG 0**

Saturday, Sept. 27 | Homecoming

Collegeville, Minn. I Clemens Stadium I Attendance: 8,134





#### **SCORING SUMMARY**

| QTR | TIME  | TEAM |  | DRIVE                        | AUG | SJU |
|-----|-------|------|--|------------------------------|-----|-----|
| 1st | 09:30 | SJU  | Dylan Wheeler 21 yd pass from Z. Dittbenner (Matt Hansen kick) | 9 plays, 72 yards, TOP 2:44  | 0   | 7   |
| 1st | 02:49 | SJU  | Z. Dittbenner 16 yd run (Matt Hansen kick)                     | 9 plays, 80 yards, TOP 4:59  | 0   | 14  |
| 2nd | 11:07 | SJU  | Caden Wheeler 1 yd run (Matt Hansen kick)                      | 11 plays, 77 yards, TOP 4:22 | 0   | 21  |
| 2nd | 09:05 | SJU  | Joey Gendreau 37 yd pass from Trey Feeney (Matt Hansen kick)   | 2 plays, 80 yards, TOP 0:57  | 0   | 28  |
| 2nd | 01:13 | SJU  | Z. Dittbenner 21 yd run (Matt Hansen kick)                     | 4 plays, 53 yards, TOP 1:56  | 0   | 35  |
| 3rd | 12:02 | SJU  | Caden Wheeler 7 yd run (Matt Hansen kick)                      | 5 plays, 61 yards, TOP 2:48  | 0   | 42  |
| 3rd | 06:04 | SJU  | Carson Hegerle 4 yd pass from Trey Feeney (Matt Hansen kick)   | 7 plays, 70 yards, TOP 2:56  | 0   | 49  |
| 4th | 12:46 | SJU  | Corey Bohmert 12 yd run (Matt Hansen kick)                     | 11 plays, 79 yards, TOP 5:19 | 0   | 56  |
| 4th | 03:30 | SJU  | Wyatt McCabe 10 yd pass from Lucas Jansky (Henry Sievers kick) | 9 plays, 48 yards, TOP 5:05  | 0   | 63  |

#### **TEAM STATISTICS**

| TEAM STATISTICS                |         |         |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|
|                                | AUG     | SJU     |
| FIRST DOWNS                    | 11      | 36      |
| Rushing                        | 2       | 16      |
| Passing                        | 6       | 17      |
| Penalty                        | 3       | 3       |
| NET YARDS RUSHING              | 36      | 257     |
| Rushing Attempts               | 27      | 32      |
| Average Per Rush               | 1.3     | 8.0     |
| Rushing Touchdowns             | 0       | 5       |
| Yards Gained Rushing           | 70      | 260     |
| Yards Lost Rushing             | 34      | 3       |
| NET YARDS PASSING              | 97      | 367     |
| Completions-Attempts-Int       | 17-28-0 | 25-37-0 |
| Average Per Attempt            | 3.5     | 9.9     |
| Average Per Completion         | 5.7     | 14.7    |
| Passing Touchdowns             | 0       | 4       |
|                                |         |         |
| TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS            | 133     | 624     |
| Total offense plays            | 55      | 69      |
| _ Average Gain Per Play        | 2.4     | 9.0     |
| Fumbles: Number-Lost           | 1-1     | 1-1     |
| Penalties: Number-Yards        | 13-85   | 7-70    |
| PUNTS-YARDS                    | 7-290   | 0-0     |
| Average Yards Per Punt         | 41.4    | 0.0     |
| Net Yards Per Punt             | 36.4    | 0.0     |
| Inside 20                      | 0       | 0       |
| 50+ Yards                      | 2       | 0       |
| Touchbacks                     | 1       | 0       |
| Fair catch                     | 2       | 0       |
| KICKOFFS-YARDS                 | 1-56    | 10-593  |
| Average Yards Per Kickoff      | 56.0    | 59.3    |
| Net Yards Per Kickoff          | 26.0    | 41.8    |
| Touchbacks                     | 0       | 5       |
| Fair Catch Yards               | 0       | Ů.      |
| Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD  | 0-0-0   | 1-15-0  |
| Average Per Return             | 0.0     | 15.0    |
| Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD | 4-50-0  | 1-30-0  |
| Average Per Return             | 12.5    | 30.0    |
| Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD   | 0-0-0   | 0-0-0   |
| Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD  | 0-0-0   | 0-0-0   |
| Miscellaneous Yards            | 0-0-0   | 0-0-0   |
|                                |         |         |
| Possession Time                | 27:57   | 32:03   |
| 1st Quarter                    | 6:48    | 8:12    |
| 2nd Quarter                    | 8:14    | 6:46    |
| 3rd Quarter                    | 6:01    | 8:59    |
| 4th Quarter                    | 6:54    | 8:06    |
| Third-Down Conversions         | 3 of 13 | 9 of 9  |
| Fourth-Down Conversions        | 1 of 2  | 0 of 0  |
| Red-Zone Scores-Chances        | 0-0     | 7-7     |
| Touchdowns                     | 0-0     | 7-7     |
| Field goals                    | 0-0     | 0-7     |
| Sacks By: Number-Yards         | 1-1     | 3-15    |
| PAT Kicks                      | 0-0     | 9-9     |
| Field Goals                    | 0-0     | 0-0     |
| Points off turnovers           | 0       | 0       |
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### **PASSING STATS**

|                   | CMP-ALI-INI | YDS | טו | LONG | SAUK |
|-------------------|-------------|-----|----|------|------|
| Trey Feeney       | 14-21-0     | 212 | 2  | 43   | 0    |
| Zander Dittbenner | 9-14-0      | 139 | 1  | 25   | 0    |
| Lucas Jansky      | 2-2-0       | 16  | 1  | 10   | 1    |
| TOTALS            | 25-37-0     | 367 | 4  | 43   | 1    |

#### **RUSHING STATS**

| ı |                   | NO. | GAIN | LOSS | NET | TD | LONG | AVG. |
|---|-------------------|-----|------|------|-----|----|------|------|
| ı | Caden Wheeler     | 12  | 87   | 0    | 87  | 2  | 16   | 7.2  |
| ı | Corey Bohmert     | 9   | 82   | 0    | 82  | 1  | 19   | 9.1  |
| ı | Zander Dittbenner | 2   | 37   | 0    | 37  | 2  | 21   | 18.5 |
| ı | Wyatt McCabe      | 2   | 36   | 0    | 36  | 0  | 25   | 18.0 |
| ı | Dylan Kirchner    | 3   | 13   | 0    | 13  | 0  | 7    | 4.3  |
| ı | Lucas Jansky      | 4   | 5    | 3    | 2   | 0  | 4    | 0.5  |
| ı | TOTALS            | 32  | 260  | 3    | 257 | 5  | 25   | 8.0  |

#### **RECEIVING STATS**

|                     | NO. | YDS | TD | LONG |
|---------------------|-----|-----|----|------|
| Joey Gendreau       | 10  | 166 | 1  | 43   |
| Dylan Wheeler       | 7   | 96  | 1  | 26   |
| Carson Hegerle      | 3   | 34  | 1  | 17   |
| Riley Schwellenbach | 2   | 41  | 0  | 25   |
| Owen Amrhein        | 1   | 14  | 0  | 14   |
| Wyatt McCabe        | 1   | 10  | 1  | 10   |
| Cade Berg           | 1   | 6   | 0  | 6    |
| TOTALS              | 25  | 367 | 4  | 43   |
|                     |     |     |    |      |

|                    |   |                     |     |         | -      |    |          |    |    |     |     |
|--------------------|---|---------------------|-----|---------|--------|----|----------|----|----|-----|-----|
| DEFENSE S          |   | <b>FS</b><br>.0 AST | тот | TFL/YDS | SK/YDS | FF | FR/YDS I | NT | BR | BLK | QBH |
| Landon Danner      | 4 | 1                   | 5   | 1.0/2   | -/-    |    | -/-      |    | -  | -   | -   |
| Peyton Goettlicher | 5 | -                   | 5   | -/-     | -/-    | _  | -/       |    | 1  | -   | _   |
| Grady Minnerath    | 2 | 2                   | 4   | 2.0/10  | 1.0/4  | -  | -/       |    |    | -   | -   |
| Joey Gendreau      | 2 | 1                   | 3   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | -  | -   | -   |
| Adam Schavey       | 1 | 2                   | 3   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | -  | -   | -   |
| Vincent Pyne       | 2 | 1                   | 3   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | _  | -   | -   |
| Isaac Potter       | 2 | 1                   | 3   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | -  | -   | -   |
| Will Seymour       | 2 | -                   | 2   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | -  | -   | -   |
| John Hawkins       | 1 | 1                   | 2   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | _  | -   | -   |
| Zachariah Hunter   | 2 | -                   | 2   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | -  | -   | -   |
| Aiden McMahon      | - | 2                   | 2   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | 1  | -   | 1   |
| Will Peroutka      | 1 | 1                   | 2   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    |    | -   | -   |
| Evan Wahlin        | - | 2                   | 2   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | -  | -   | -   |
| Westin Hoyt        | 2 | -                   | 2   | 2.0/3   | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | 2  | -   | -   |
| Landon Gallagher   | 1 | 1                   | 2   | 1.0/6   | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | -  | -   | 1   |
| Zach Frank         | 2 | -                   | 2   | 2.0/11  | 2.0/11 | -  | -/       |    | -  | -   | -   |
| Tommy Gilmore      | 1 | 1                   | 2   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | -  | -   | -   |
| Mark Rogalski      | 1 | -                   | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | -  | -   | -   |
| Jack St. Fleur     | 1 | -                   | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | 1  | -   | -   |
| Blake Simonson     | - | 1                   | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | 1  | -   | -   |
| Aaron Baisley      | - | 1                   | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | -  | -   | -   |
| Alex Harren        | 1 | -                   | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | -  | -   | -   |
| John Karkula       | 1 | -                   | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | -  | -   | -   |
| Tyler Smith        | 1 | -                   | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | 1  | -   | -   |
| Jayden Leach       | 1 | -                   | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | -  | -   | -   |
| Caleb Thom         | - | 1                   | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | -  | -   | -   |
| Jack Krza          | 1 | -                   | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | -  | -   | -   |
| Jawahn Cockfield   | - | 1                   | 1   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | -/       |    | -  | -   | 1   |
| Charlie Ryks       | - | -                   | -   | -/-     | -/-    | -  | 1/       |    | -  | -   | -   |
| •                  |   |                     |     |         |        |    |          |    |    |     |     |