



# HILLTOPPER FOOTBALL

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Game 1: West Liberty (0-0) at Walsh (0-0)  
Thursday, August 28 7:00 PM  
Larry Staudt Field - North Canton, Ohio



All-time series record:  
Walsh leads 9-7  
Last meeting:  
Aug.29, 2024  
Walsh 42-21

Recent Meetings:  
2024: Walsh 42-21  
2023: Walsh 24-21  
2021: Walsh 27-6  
2019: West Liberty 41-38 OT

Cavaliers have won three in a row in the series  
WLU 4-3 at home in the series, 3-4 on the road  
WLU's longest win streak in the series is four  
games (07,08,09,19)

2025	Hilltoppers	Schedule
Date	Opponent	Time /Score
Aug.28	at Walsh	7:00 PM
Sept.6	vs Seton Hill	1:00 PM
Sept.13	at Robert Morris	6:00 PM
Sept.20	at Frostburg State	1:00 PM
Sept.27	at Concord	1:00 PM
Oct.4	vs W.Va. State (HOF)	1:00 PM
Oct.18	at W.Va. Wesleyan	1:00 PM
Oct.25	vs Glenville State (HC)	1:00 PM
Nov.1	vs Fairmont State	1:00 PM
Nov.8	at Charleston	1:00 PM
Nov.15	vs. Wheeling	12:00 PM

	MEC Preseason Poll	Pts.	1 <sup>st</sup> Votes
1.	Charleston	63	7
2.	Fairmont State	52	1
3.	Glenville State	49	1
4.	Frostburg State	44	
5.	West Virginia State	38	
6.	Wheeling	31	
7.	<b>West Liberty</b>	21	
8.	Concord	17	
9.	W.Va. Wesleyan	9	

### West Liberty University Facts:

**Location:** West Liberty, W.Va.  
Founded: 1837  
Enrollment: 2,300  
Nickname: Hilltoppers  
Colors: Black & Gold  
Conference: Mountain East Conference  
Facility: West Family Stadium  
President: Dr. Tim Borchers  
Athletic Director: Brad Forshey

### Topper Notes:

- This West Liberty's 100<sup>th</sup> season of football, the Hilltoppers are 477-432-34 all-time and 338-289-21 in conference play. Joe Bartell (1933-1956) is the school's all-time winningest coach with a 118-55-11 record.
- West Liberty and Walsh met every year from 1998-2009 before taking a break in the series and resuming it in 2019.
- Walsh returned the opening kickoff of last year's game 92 yards for a touchdown to open the scoring.
- West Liberty Head Coach Roger Waialae (20 seasons) is the third longest tenured head coach at the NCAA DII level.
- West Liberty running back Hunter Patterson is the reigning MEC 60m dash indoor champion, while also earning All-American status in the 60m dash with a seventh-place finish at the NCAA indoor championship. He was also the MEC champion in the 100m dash outdoor championship last spring.
- Patterson had a season-high 210 yards rushing and four touchdowns at Fairmont State Nov.9, 2024.
- West Liberty offensive lineman Isaac Tavo earned All-American honors in the discus with a fourth-place finish at the NCAA tournament.
- WLU was a perfect 6-6 in field goals in 2024, with a long of 40 yards.
- The Topper Defense was third in the MEC in sacks (28) and forced fumbles (11) and second in fumbles recovered (11) in 2024.
- Nolan Shimp is the Toppers returning leader in tackles (45)
- Grant Thompson is the returning leader in TFL's (8.5)
- Bre'Andre Horsley is the returning leader in sacks (3.5)

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## Roger Waialae – Head Coach



With 20 seasons as head coach at West Liberty University, Roger Waialae has firmly established himself as the dean of all Mountain East football coaches. Not only do his 98 career wins lead all MEC grid coaches by a wide margin, they also rank No. 2 all-time at WLU through nearly 100 years of football on the hilltop. Legendary West Liberty Hall of Famer Joe Bartell is the only Hilltopper coach with more victories after going 118-55-11 from 1933-56.

Waialae and his Hilltoppers have enjoyed plenty of on-field success over the years, finishing .500 or better in league play 10 times while making their presence felt at the regional and national levels on more than one occasion. His 2009 and 2010 squads made history as the only NCAA Division II program ever to lead the nation in scoring and total offense in consecutive seasons. That group just missed an NCAA Division II playoff bid with a 7-3 record and tied for runner-up honors in the WVIAC with a 6-2 league record, marking the fifth straight year Waialae's Hilltoppers had finished first or second in the league.

That 2010 team followed on the heels of the powerful 2009 squad which won a school-record 11 games while carving an unbeaten swath through the WVIAC and advancing to the NCAA Division II national quarterfinals. The 2009 Hilltoppers cracked the AFCA Top 25 for the first time in school history, finishing the year ranked No. 9 in the national poll.

The team's success during the Waialae Era has also been matched at the individual level. Ben Staggs won the 2009 Gene Upshaw Award as the nation's top NCAA Division II lineman while Zach Amedro shattered several NCAA Division II passing records and was a 2-time runner-up for the Harlon Hill Trophy as National Player of the Year. Waialae has coached 17 NCAA Division II All-Americans and 60 first-team All-Conference selections during his time at the helm.

A native of Hawaii, Waialae is one of only three Pacific Islanders working as an NCAA head football coach and the only one at the NCAA Division II level. Waialae was a three sport-athlete at LA Harbor College in baseball, football, and golf.

A Small-College All-American quarterback from the University of Dubuque (Iowa) he was inducted into the Dubuque Hall of Fame in 2008.

Waialae spent one year at Dubuque as offensive coordinator before heading overseas for a year as a player-coach with the Munich Rangers of the German - American Football League. He served two years as offensive coordinator at Bethany (W.Va.) College before coming to West Liberty as an assistant coach in 1992.

Roger and his wife, Karen, are the parents of three children – Ryan, Laura and Kayla. Three grandchildren Kenzie, Luke and Sydney.

### Waialae Year-By-Year Records

Year	Overall	Conference
2005	6-5	4-2
2006	7-4	4-3
2007	8-3	6-2
2008	7-4	6-2
2009	11-2	8-0*
2010	7-3	6-2
2011	1-10	1-7
2012	6-5	4-4
2013	3-8	3-6
2014	6-5	6-4
2015	5-6	5-5
2016	4-7	4-6
2017	3-8	3-7
2018	3-8	3-7
2019	5-6	4-6
2020	2-2**	2-2**
2021	4-7	4-6
2022	4-7	3-7
2023	4-6	4-5
2024	2-9	2-7

Totals 98-115 82-92

\*Conference Champions

\*\*Covid season played in the spring of 2021





## Hilltopper Coaching Staff



**Jeff Monteroso**  
Defensive  
Coordinator



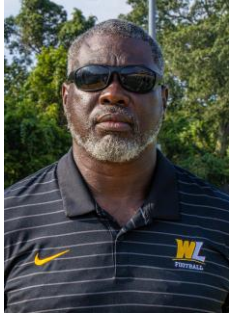
**Josh Francis**  
Defensive Line



**Dakota Conwell**  
Offensive  
Coordinator



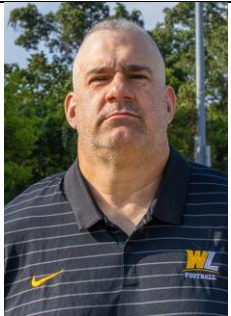
**Johnny Bonar**  
Wide Receivers



**Marcus Spencer**  
Secondary / Kick  
Off / Kick Return



**Mason Werner**  
Nickles



**Mark Konopka**  
Offensive Line /  
PAT / FG



**Caydan Keeler**  
Tight Ends /  
Graduate  
Assistant





# Hilltoppers 2024 Stats

## Team Statistics

	WL	OPP
<b>Scoring</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>441</b>
Points per game	21.0	40.1
Points O? Turnovers	64	83
<b>First Downs</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>236</b>
Rushing	79	93
Passing	89	107
Penalty	30	36
<b>Rushing Yardage</b>	<b>1344</b>	<b>1720</b>
Yards gained rushing	1593	2112
Yards lost rushing	249	392
Rushing attempts	342	430
Average per rush	3.9	4.0
Average per game	122.2	156.4
TDs Rushing	14	20
<b>Passing Yardage</b>	<b>2401</b>	<b>2798</b>
Comp-Att-Int	197-399-19	182-299-9
Average per pass	6.0	9.4
Average per catch	12.2	15.4
Average per game	218.3	254.4
TDs Passing	16	34
<b>Total o? ense</b>	<b>3745</b>	<b>4518</b>
Total plays	741	729
Average per play	5.1	6.2
Average per game	340.5	410.7
<b>Kick returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>63-875</b>	<b>38-668</b>
<b>Punt returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>10-44</b>	<b>14-36</b>
<b>Int returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>9-161</b>	<b>19-409</b>
<b>Kick return average</b>	<b>13.9</b>	<b>17.6</b>
<b>Punt return average</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>2.6</b>
<b>Int return average</b>	<b>17.9</b>	<b>21.5</b>
<b>Fumbles-Lost</b>	<b>24-12</b>	<b>27-11</b>
<b>Penalties-Yards</b>	<b>109-995</b>	<b>103-1027</b>
Average per game	90.5	93.4
<b>Punts-Yards</b>	<b>62-2227</b>	<b>39-1448</b>
Average per punt	35.9	37.1
Net punt average	34.2	34.0
<b>Kicko? s-Yards</b>	<b>46-1890</b>	<b>80-4319</b>
Average per kick	41.1	54.0
Net kick average	26.0	38.7
<b>Time of possession / game</b>	<b>28:56</b>	<b>30:57</b>
<b>3rd-down conversion</b>	<b>47/157</b>	<b>62/141</b>
3rd-down pct	30%	44%
<b>4th-down conversion</b>	<b>13/30</b>	<b>7/16</b>





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	<b>WL</b>	<b>OPP</b>
4th-down pct	43%	44%
<b>Sacks by-Yards</b>	<b>28-195</b>	<b>20-153</b>
<b>Misc Yards</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Touchdowns scored</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Field goals - attempts</b>	<b>6-6</b>	<b>10-16</b>
<b>On-Side kicks</b>	<b>0-1</b>	<b>1-1</b>
<b>Red-zone scores</b>	<b>(24-36) 67%</b>	<b>(38-47) 81%</b>
<b>Red-zone touchdowns</b>	<b>(19-36) 53%</b>	<b>(30-47) 64%</b>
<b>PAT-attempts</b>	<b>(27-30) 90%</b>	<b>(49-58) 84%</b>
<b>2-point conversion-attempts</b>	<b>(0-0) 0%</b>	<b>(1-2) 50%</b>
<b>Attendance</b>	<b>11473</b>	<b>6543</b>
Games / Avg per game	6/1912	5/1309
Neutral site games	-	0/0

### Score by Periods

<b>Team</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>	<b>4th</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>TOT</b>
West Liberty	54	71	65	41	0	231
Opponents	107	153	74	107	0	441

	<b>Date</b>	<b>Opponent</b>		<b>Score</b>	<b>Overall</b>	<b>Conf</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Attend</b>
	08/29/2024	Walsh	L	21-42	0-1	0-0	3:09	2456
	09/05/2024	Limestone	L	13-48	0-2	0-0	2:53	1784
*	09/14/2024	Frostburg St.	L	23-57	0-3	0-1	3:20	1000
*	09/21/2024	at West Virginia St.	L	37-57	0-4	0-2	3:32	2312
*	10/05/2024	Concord	W	31-10	1-4	1-2	2:50	479
*	10/12/2024	at UNC Pembroke	L	20-67	1-5	1-3	3:11	2107
*	10/19/2024	West Va. Wesleyan	W	21-9	2-5	2-3	2:51	4352
*	10/26/2024	at Glenville St.	L	14-37	2-6	2-4	2:51	750
*	11/02/2024	Charleston (WV)	L	0-38	2-7	2-5	3:11	1402
*	11/09/2024	at Fairmont St.	L	35-36	2-8	2-6	3:03	874
*	11/16/2024	at Wheeling	L	16-40	2-9	2-7	3:17	500





# Hilltopper 2025 Roster

Num	Player	Pos	Ht	Wt	Cl	Hometown/H.S./Previous School
0	Gavin Cummins	TE	6-3	225	Fr.	Las Vegas, Nevada / Lake Mead Christian Academy /
1	Josh Vigne	WR	5-7	155	So.	Atlanta, Ga. / Northgate /
1	Rashad Murray	WR	6-0	160	R-So.	Pittsburgh, Pa. / Obama Academy / California (Pa.)
2	Trey Singleton	WR	6-1	170	So.	Beaver Falls, Pa. / Beaver Falls / Fairmont State
2	Christian Bell	DB	6-0	185	Gr.	Allentown, Pa. / Notre Dame Green Pond / Mercyhurst
3	Ray'Mon Matthews	DB	5-10	160	Fr.	Deland, Fla. / Deland
3	Antevious Jackson	QB	5-11	180	Jr.	Woodbridge, Virginia / Woodbridge
4	Kohl Meisman	QB	6-6	210	So.	Rapid City, S.D. / Rapid City Central / Victor Valley College
4	Cashmere Caldwell	DB	5-9	170	Fr.	Dover, Fla. / Specially Fit Academy /
5	Justice Lawrence	DB	5-9	162	Sr.	Winston-Salem, N.C. / North Forsyth / Wingate
5	De'Aveon Perkins	WR	5-10	175	Jr.	Cincinnati, Ohio / Northwest / Hocking College
6	Jemier Faulks	DB	6-2	160	Fr.	Steubenville, Ohio / Steubenville /
6	Thonye Charles	WR	5-10	170	Jr.	Los Angeles, Calif. / South Hills West Covina / American River
8	Nasir Lawrence	DB	5-11	190	Sr.	Winston-Salem, N.C. / North Forsyth / Lewisburg College
8	Silas Hinson	WR	6-0	176	Jr.	Boynton Beach, Fla. / Inlet Grove / Holmes Community
9	Jaedon Alston	RB	5-8	205	R-Fr.	Charleston, S.C. / Concordia Prep /
9	Bre'Andre Horsley	DE	6-4	215	R-So.	Lynchburg, Va. / Heritage / McDougle Technical Institute
10	Rashid Sesay	RB	5-10	205	R-Fr.	Zanesville, Ohio / West Muskingum / Ohio State
10	DeMontay Johnson	DB	5-9	180	Fr.	Deland, Fla. / Deland
11	Jaren Brickner	QB	6-2	205	R-So.	Beaver Falls, Pa. / Beaver Falls / Fairmont St.
11	Jamison Holliday	DB	6-2	180	R-Fr.	Deltona, Fla. / Mainland
12	Levi Gullion	QB	6-3	215	R-Jr.	Piketon, Ohio / Piketon / Alderson Broaddus
13	Emanuel Bowden	DB	5-10	180	Gr.	Pittsburgh, Pa. / Carrick / Clarion
14	Jaylin Harcum	WR	5-8	155	So.	Baltimore, Md. / Concordia Prep /
15	Jayden Queen	WR	6-2	175	So.	Springdale, Md. / CH Flowers /
16	Harry Kanu	QB	6-3	170	Jr.	Dover, Fla. / Brandon / Peru State
17	Osama Hurst	WR	6-4	185	Jr.	Winston-Salem, N.C. / North Forsyth / Minnesota State C & T C
18	Infinite Campbell	WR	6-1	192	Gr.	Jersey City, N.J. / Delaware Valley / Bloomsburg / Lock Haven
19	Marcel Holyfield III	WR	5-9	160	So.	Pittsburgh, Pa. / Taylor Allerdice / Seton Hill University (Pa.)
20	Hunter Patterson	RB	5-11	180	Jr.	Chester, W.Va. / Oak Glen /
21	Seth Poriah	LB	6-2	230	Jr.	Westfield, Indiana / Westfield / Central Arkansas / Purdue
22	Junus McGraw	DB	6-1	185	So.	Anchorage, Alaska / Specially Fit Academy /
23	Adrian Letta	WR	5-9	170	So.	East Rochester, N.Y. / East Rochester, N.Y. / Waynesburg
24	Davon Eldridge	DB	6-1	205	R-Fr.	Morgantown, W.Va. / Palmetto Prep /
25	Charles Coy III	DB	6-2	200	Gr.	Detroit, Mich. / Summit Academy North / Wayne State
26	Darius Gross	DL	6-1	190	Fr.	Waldorf, Md. / St. Charles /
27	Daniel Alford	DB	5-10	180	Sr.	Clayton, N.C. / Clayton / North Carolina Wesleyan
28	Anthony May	RB	6-0	188	Fr.	Deltona, Fla. / University /
29	Kenshiro Christopher	DB	6-1	170	Fr.	Alexandria, Va. / Mount Zion
30	Kamar Bridges	LB/DB	5-10	180	R-Fr.	Weirton, W.Va. / Weir / Walsh
31	Jaay-r Cook	DB	6-2	180	Fr.	Orange City, Fla. / University /
32	KJ Wood	CB	6-2	185	Fr.	Washington, D.C. / Bel Air
33	Brayden Marson	DB	6-3	210	Fr.	Fort Pierce, Fla. / Vero Beach /
34	Precious Boyejo	RB	5-11	200	So.	Staten Island, N.Y. / Susan E. Wagner / Central Methodist
35	Tyler Lawson	DB	5-10	190	Fr.	Frederick, Md. / Middletown /
36	Brandon Kinney	LB	6-0	205	Jr.	Steubenville, Ohio / Steubenville /
36	Jaylen Lardy	WR	5-8	160	R-Fr.	Martinsburg, W.Va. / Martinsburg /
37	Donovan Elliott	DB	6-2	200	Fr.	Germantown, Md. / Northwest
38	Nolan Shimp	DB	6-1	190	Sr.	Hamlin, W.Va. / Lincoln County /
39	Chase Hile	K	5-11	160	Fr.	Wellsburg, W.Va. / Brooke /
40	Brayden Rauch	LB	5-11	205	R-Fr.	Steubenville, Ohio / Steubenville Central Catholic / Wheeling
41	Nate Bonds	LB	6-1	205	Fr.	Roanoke, Va. / North Cross /
42	Landon Hirmer	DB	5-9	175	Fr.	Goldvein, Va. / Liberty
43	Mohamed Touray	LB	6-0	215	Fr.	Levittown, Pa. / Harry S Truman





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Num	Player	Pos	Ht	Wt	Cl	Hometown/H.S./Previous School
44	LaQuinton Thompson Jr	LB	5-11	200	Fr.	Melbourne, Fla. / Heritage
45	Melique Lewis	DL	6-3	285	R-Fr.	Morgantown, W.Va. / University /
47	Isaiah Alford	RB	6-0	190	Fr.	Clayton, N.C. / Cleveland /
48	Morgan Williamson	K	5-10	180	Gr.	New Concord, Ohio / Tri-Valley / Slippery Rock
49	Zion McGee	RB	5-11	170	Fr.	Wintersville, Ohio / Indian Creek /
50	Yannick Mbonda	DL	6-4	220	Fr.	Rockville, Md. / Magruder /
51	Grant Neiswonger	DL	6-1	215	Jr.	Moundsville, W.Va. / John Marshall /
52	Marcus Rector	DL	6-5	225	R-Fr.	Saint Clairsville, Ohio / Saint Clairsville / Wheeling
53	Coldin Burkhart	LB	6-0	205	Fr.	Wheeling, W.Va. / Wheeling Park
54	Antajuan Harvey	DL	6-3	244	Fr.	Cleveland, Ohio / John Jay /
55	Jayden Woods-Davis	DL	6-4	240	Fr.	Wheeling, W.Va. / Wheeling Park
57	Peyton Rauch	DL	6-2	245	Fr.	Wintersville, Ohio / Steubenville Catholic Central /
58	Chase Crutchley	LB	5-9	180	R-So.	Harpers Ferry, W.Va. / Washington /
59	Dominic Maultsby	DL	6-1	235	Fr.	Orange City, Fla. / University
62	Dennis Pike	OL	6-1	270	R-Fr.	Inwood, W.Va. / Musselman /
63	Brandon McBride	OL	6-3	265	Fr.	Bedford, Ohio / Villa Angela-St. Joes /
64	Titus Pratt	OL	6-1	265	Fr.	Huntington, W.Va. / Huntington
65	Mike VanMatre	OL	6-2	255	R-So.	New Haven, W.Va. / Wahama /
66	Mason Fraley	OL	6-0	250	Jr.	Canton, Mich. / Salem /
68	Zach Hicks	LB	6-0	195	Fr.	Palm Bay, Fla. / Heritage /
69	Anthony Coreas	OL	6-3	330	Fr.	Gaithersburg, Md. / Riverdale Baptist
70	Dequan Cobb	OL	6-3	325	R-Fr.	Jacksonville, Fla. / Woodside /
72	Isaac Tavo	OL	6-5	295	R-So.	Spring Hill, Fla. / Land O'Lakes /
73	Kemper Longwell	OL	6-3	275	Jr.	Philippi, W.Va. / Philip Barbour /
74	Nathan Everley	OL	6-6	255	R-So.	Jefferson Hills, Pa. / Thomas Jefferson /
75	Jeffery McCoy	OL	6-3	300	Jr.	Pittsburg, Calif. / Pittsburg / Los Medanos College
76	Riley Plotner	OL	6-6	320	R-Fr.	Canal Fulton, Ohio / Northwest /
77	Ethan Petaia	OL	6-4	330	Jr.	Long Beach, Calif. / Millikan / Long Beach City College
78	Curtis Hayes	OL	6-1	295	Sr.	Parkersburg, W.Va. / Parkersburg /
80	Dyson Harper	WR	6-1	170	Fr.	Pittsburgh, Pa. / Gateway
81	Kevin Powell	WR	6-4	175	Fr.	South Euclid, Ohio / Charles F. Brush /
82	Colin McDermitt	P/K	6-2	160	R-So.	Lusby, Md. / Patuxent /
83	Joey Shaffstall	TE	5-11	215	Jr.	Cincinnati, Ohio / Lakota West / CC of Allegheny County
84	Jordan Bailey	WR	6-3	175	Fr.	Sandy Springs, Md. / Sherwood
85	Wes Houston	TE	6-2	245	Fr.	Zanesville, Ohio / West Muskingum /
86	Ethan Null	WR	5-8	160	R-Fr.	Huntington, W.Va. / Spring Valley / Pikeville
87	Andrew Jones	WR	6-3	175	Fr.	Rayland, Ohio / Buckeye Local /
88	Caleb Ratcliffe	WR	6-4	190	Jr.	Wheeling, W.Va. / Wheeling Central /
89	Michael Graham	WR	5-9	175	Fr.	Bel Air, Md. / Bel Air /
90	Carson Moore	DL	6-2	245	Sr.	Tampa, Fla. / Jefferson /
92	Chase Lawrence	DL	6-2	260	Jr.	Cleveland, Ohio / Charles F Brush / North Dakota Sch.of Science
93	Corey Smith	DL	5-11	270	R-Fr.	Cleveland, Ohio / Villa Angela-St. Joseph /
94	Jackson Waldrum Jr.	LB	6-0	230	R-Fr.	Reynoldsburg, Ohio / Dublin Scioto / Rio Grande
95	Sajed Abdel-Momin	DL	6-4	310	Jr.	Gaithersburg, Md. / Damascus / Waynesburg
98	Theandre Balloon Jr.	LB	6-0	210	R-Fr.	Miami, Fla. / American /
99	Grant Thompson	DL	6-3	240	So.	Akron, Ohio / Archbishop Hoban / Flyght Academy (Ohio)





## Hilltopper Pronunciation Guide

- #1 Josh Vigne – VIN-yay
- #3 Ray'Mon Matthews – RAY-mon
- #3 Antevious Jackson – an-TAY-vee-us
- #4 Kohl Meisman – Mice -man
- #4 Cashmere Caldwell – CASH-meer
- #5 De'Aveon Perkins – dee-AY-vee-on
- #6 Jemier Faulks – juh-MEER
- #6 Thonye Charles – Toe-Knee
- #9 Bre'Andre Horsley – bray-AHN-dray
- #10 Rashid Sesay – rah-SHED SEE-say
- #10 DeMontay Johnson – dee-MON-tay
- #16 Harry Kanu – KAH-noo
- #17 Osama Hurst – oh-SAH-mah
- #18 Infinite Campbell – in-FIN-it
- #19 Marcel Holyfield III – MAR-sell HO-lee-field
- #21 Seth Poriah – puh-RYE-uh
- #22 Junus McGraw – JOO-nus
- #24 Davon Eldridge – DAY-von
- #29 Kenshiro Christopher – ken-SHEER-oh
- #31 Jaay-r Cook – JAY-er
- #34 Precious Boyejo – boy-AY-joe
- #43 Mohamed Touray – too-RAY
- #44 LaQuinton Thompson Jr. – luh-QUIN-ton
- #50 Yannick Mbonda – YAH-nick em-BOHN-duh
- #54 Antajuan Harvey – AN-tuh-wahn
- #59 Dominic Maultsby – MALTZ-bee
- #70 Dequan Cobb – dee-KWAHN
- #72 Isaac Tavo – TAH-voh
- #77 Ethan Petaia – peh-TIE-uh
- #95 Sajed Abdel-Momin – SAH-jed ab-DUAL moh-MEN
- #98 Theandre Balloon Jr. – thee-ON-dray buh-LOON





**Defense**

**ANCHOR**

- #51 – Grant Neiswonger (Jr., 6-1, 215)
- #0 – Gavin Cummins (Fr., 6-3, 225)

**NOSE**

- #95 – Sajed Abdel-Momin (Jr., 6-4, 310)
- #93 – Corey Smith (R-Fr., 5-11, 270)

**TACKLE**

- #90 – Carson Moore (S2., 6-2, 245)
- #45 – Melique Lewis (R-Fr., 6-3, 285)

**GHOST**

- #99 – Grant Thompson (So., 6-3, 240)
- #92 – Chase Lawrence (Jr., 6-2, 260)

**INSIDE LINEBACKER**

- #46 – Sawyer VanMatre (R-Fr., 6-3, 220)
- #41 – Nate Bonds (Fr., 6-1, 205)

**INSIDE LINEBACKER**

- #38 – Nolan Shimp (Sr., 6-1, 190)
- #21 – Seth Poriah (Jr., 6-2, 230)

**FREE SAFETY**

- #37 – Donovan Elliott (Fr., 6-2, 200)
- #10 – DeMontay Johnson (Fr., 5-9, 180)

**BOUNDRY CORNER BACK**

- #22 – Junus McGraw (So., 6-1, 185)
- #29 – Kenshiro Christopher (Fr., 6-1, 170)

**FIELD CORNER BACK**

- #5 – Justice Lawrence (Sr., 5-9, 162)
- #6 – Jemier Faulks (Fr., 6-2, 160)

**WEAK SAFETY**

- #8 – Nasir Lawrence (Sr., 5-11, 190)
- #27 – Daniel Alford (Sr., 5-10, 180)

**NICKLE**

- #11 – Jamison Holiday (R-Fr., 6-2 180)
- #25 – Charles Coy III (Gr., 6-2, 200)

**Specialists**

**PUNT RETURN**

- #2 – Trey Singleton (So 6-1, 170)
- #6 – Thoyne Charles (Jr., 5-10, 170)

**KICK RETURN**

- #2 -Trey Singleton (So 6-1, 170)
- #6 – Thoyne Charles (Jr., 5-10, 170)

**Offense**

**LEFT TACKLE**

- #72 – Isaac Tavo (R-So., 6-5, 295)
- #75 –Jeffery McCoy (Jr., 6-3, 300)

**LEFT GUARD**

- #76 – Riley Plotner (R-Fr., 6-6, 320)
- #77 – Ethan Petaia (Jr., 6-4, 330)

**CENTER**

- #66 – Mason Fraley (Jr., 6-0, 250)
- #62 – Dennis Pike (R-Fr., 6-1, 270)

**RIGHT GUARD**

- #78 – Curtis Hayes (Sr., 6-1, 295)
- #65 – Mike VanMatre (R-So., 6-2, 255)

**RIGHT TACKLE**

- #73 – Kemper Longwell (Jr., 6-3, 275)
- #74 Nathan Everly (R-So., 6-6, 255)

**W**

- #14 – Jaylin Harcum (So., 5-8, 155)
- #5 – De’Aveon Perkins (Jr., 5-10, 175)

**X**

- #17 – Osama Hurst (Jr., 6-4, 185)
- #1 – Rashad Murray (R-So., 6-0, 160)

**Y**

- #88 – Caleb Ratcliffe (Jr., 6-4, 190)
- #12 – Levi Gullion (R-Jr., 6-3, 215)

**Z**

- #2 – Trey Singleton (So 6-1, 170)
- #8 – Silas Hinton (Jr., 6-0, 176)

**A**

- #20 – Hunter Patterson (Jr., 5-11, 180)
- #10 – Sashid Sesay (R-Fr., 5-10, 205)

**QUARTERBACK**

- #4 – Kohl Meisman (So., 6-6, 210)
- #12 – Levi Gullion (R-Jr., 6-3, 215)

**Specialists**

**KICKER**

- #39 – Chase Hile (Fr., 5-11, 160)
- #48 – Morgan Williamson (Gr., 5-10, 180)

**PUNTER**

- #82 – Colin McDermitt (R-So., 6-2, 160)
- #48 – Morgan Williamson (Gr., 5-10, 180)

**LONG SNAPPER**

- #38 – Nolan Shimp (Sr., 6-1, 190)
- #85 – Wes Houston (Fr., 6-2, 245)





# Walsh 2025 Roster

Num	Player	Pos	Ht	Wt	Cl	Hometown/H.S./Previous School
0	Chris Jones	OLB	6-0	193	R-Jr.	Youngstown, Ohio / Chaney /
1	Dalys Jett	WR	5-11	166	Jr.	Indianapolis, Indiana / Warren G.Harding High School /
2	Marvin Conkle	DB	6-0	190	Sr.	Cleveland, Ohio / Benedictine High School /
3	Trey Martin	WR	6-0	191	R-Jr.	Green, Ohio / Green High School / Ashland University
4	Jajuan Jackson	DB	5-10	170	R-Jr.	Cleveland, Ohio / Medina /
5	Dante Walker	RB	5-10	205	R-Sr.	Youngstown, Ohio / Ursuline / Youngstown State
6	William Butler	TE	6-2	223	Jr.	Mogadore, Ohio / Lake High School /
7	Hayden Wickard	QB	6-3	200	Jr.	Wayne, Ohio / Elmwood High School /
8	Warren Bloodworth	DB	5-10	165	Jr.	Cleveland, Ohio / Ginn Academy /
9	Jake Gill	RB	5-10	186	R-So.	Creston, OH / Norwayne High School /
10	Cole Norris	QB	6-0	205	Fr.	Lorain, Ohio / Amherst Steele
11	Terrell Grier	DB	6-0	175	R-Jr.	Cleveland, Ohio / Benedictine /
12	Brady Gooding	WR	5-11	180	So.	Tiffin, Ohio / Columbian
13	Trevor Van Horn	QB	6-2	208	R-Jr.	Green, Ohio / / Bluefield State University
14	Eddie Nichols	ILB	6-0	206	R-So.	Rockford, Ohio / Parkway High School /
15	Jerijah Moore	DB	6-0	175	R-So.	Dublin, OH / Dublin Scioto High School /
16	Antwan Brown	RB	5-10	185	R-So.	Youngstown, Ohio / Liberty
17	Stevie Diamond	QB	6-2	180	Fr.	Akron, Ohio / Buchtel
18	Amir Aaron	WR	5-10	175	Fr.	Sandusky, Ohio / Sandusky
19	Grayson McCain	QB	6-5	220	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wisconsin / Bradley Tech
20	Ryan Page	DB	6-1	180	So.	Massillon, Ohio / Massillon Washington /
21	Kaedyn Dunbar-White	OLB	6-1	204	R-So.	Pickerington, Ohio / Pickerington North /
22	Ty Miller	DB	5-10	165	R-So.	Uniontown, Ohio / Lake High School /
23	J'Mari White	DB			So.	/ /
24	Donovan Daetwyler	OLB	6-2	180	R-So.	Kent, Ohio / Kent Roosevelt /
25	Xzavier Macon	RB	5-9	195	So.	Barberton, Ohio / Barberton /
26	Carter Bugara	DB	5-9	162	R-So.	Alliance, Ohio / Alliance High School /
27	Jarrad Kerekes	K	6-5	184	R-Sr.	Akron, Ohio / Copley High School / Bowling Green
28	Matt Harper	K	6-0	170	Fr.	Zanesville, Ohio / Maysville
29	Jeffrey Mold	DB	6-0	160	R-Jr.	Whitehouse, Ohio / Anthony Wayne /
30	Connor Zgrebnak	DB	6-1	175	R-Jr.	Perry, Ohio / Perry /
31	Garret Rodenberger	DB	6-3	190	So.	Defiance, Ohio / Defiance /
32	Ethan Lorenzana	RB	5-11	190	So.	Lorain, Ohio / Clearview /
33	Marco Cirigliano	RB	5-9	200	So.	Columbia Station, Ohio / Columbia /
35	Ian Erb	DB	6-2	200	So.	Mineral Ridge, Ohio / Mineral Ridge /
36	Connor Satterfield	ILB	6-3	230	So.	Canal Fulton, Ohio / Northwest /
37	Keiton Murray	OLB	6-2	182	R-So.	Cleveland, Ohio / Ginn Academy /
38	Kameron Gill	OLB	5-10	190	R-Jr.	Massillon, Ohio / Perry High School /
39	Aaron Mathis	DB	6-2	190	Fr.	Vermilion, Ohio / Vermilion
40	Markelle Carter	DB	5-11	180	So.	Akron, Ohio / St. Vincent St. Mary /
41	Luke Dobbins	ILB	6-3	200	So.	Norton, Ohio / Norton /
42	Eli Solak	TE	6-2	220	Fr.	Amherst, Ohio / Marion L. Steele
43	Michael Howman Williams	ILB	5-11	206	R-So.	Wooster, Ohio / Wooster High School /
44	Diontae Younger	DB	5-11	225	Fr.	Tallmadge, Ohio / Firestone
45	Braylen Crump	LB	6-2	185	Fr.	Vandalia, Ohio / Vandalia Butler
46	Corwyn Collier	LB	5-10	155	Fr.	Stow, Ohio / Maple Heights
47	Rob Brown	LB	6-0	185	Fr.	Canton, Ohio / Canton McKinley
48	Konnor Tetzloff	OLB	6-1	202	Jr.	Bolivar, Ohio / New Philadelphia High School /





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49	Denver Scott	LB	6-2	230	Fr.	Cleveland, Ohio / Lutheran West
50	Thad VanArsdalan	OLB			R-So.	New Philadelphia, Ohio / /
51	Jacob Ford	ILB	6-2	215	So.	Norton, Ohio / Norton /
53	Santonio Brown	DL	6-3	200	So.	Steubenville, Ohio / Steubenville
54	Nate Watkins	DL	6-0	225	Sr.	Canton, Ohio / / Alderson Broadus University
55	AJ Fortunato	LB	6-0	220	Fr.	Uniontown, Ohio / Green
56	Alvonte Ivory	DL	6-1	261	R-So.	Canton, Ohio / Canton McKinley High School /
57	Jibril Bradford	OL	6-1	277	R-So.	Cincinnati, Ohio / Cincinnati Northwest /
58	Chris Gargas	DL	6-2	255	Fr.	Dresden, Ohio / Tri-Valley
59	Alejandro Castro	DL	6-2	255	R-So.	Parma, Ohio / Parma / Notre Dame College
60	Sean McRae	OL	6-5	340	Fr.	Columbus, Ohio / Upper Arlington
61	JJ Overton	LB	5-10	195	Fr.	Maple Heights / Maple Heights
62	Alexander Davis	LB	6-1	205	Fr.	Concord, Ohio / Madison
63	Chase Voge	OL	6-3	275	Fr.	Columbia Station, Ohio / Columbia
64	Devonte Parkes	OL			So.	/ /
66	Riley Defibaugh	OL	6-0	282	R-So.	Akron, Ohio / St.Vincent St. Mary High School /
67	Bryan Kelley	OL	6-2	275	Fr.	Amherst, Ohio / Elyria Catholic
68	Parker James	OL	6-3	315	Fr.	Piqua, Ohio / Piqua
69	Eli Potter	OL	6-4	270	Fr.	Mechanicsburg, Ohio / Mechanicsburg
70	Cameron Clarkson	OL	6-2	288	R-So.	New Philadelphia, Ohio / New Philadelphia High School /
71	Jaiden Cope	OL	6-2	245	R-Jr.	Oregon, Ohio / Waite High School /
72	Myles Cooper	OL	6-3	260	Fr.	Steubenville, Ohio / Steubenville
73	Blake Harris	OL	6-2	285	Fr.	Akron, Ohio / Firestone
74	Jack Radway	OL	6-4	315	Fr.	North Ridgeville, Ohio / North Ridgeville
75	Daniel Gorski	OL	6-3	268	R-Jr.	Brunswick, Ohio / Brunswick High School /
76	Caleb Cunningham	OL			So.	/ /
77	Colin Simon	OL	6-2	305	R-So.	Olmsted Falls, Ohio / Olmsted Falls High School /
78	Gavin Spiker	OL	6-4	285	Fr.	Dresden, Ohio / Tri-Valley
79	Noah Fetters	OL	6-5	300	So.	Chillicothe, Ohio / Zane Trace /
80	Mo Diabate	WR	6-0	180	Fr.	East Orange, New Jersey / Cicely L. Tyson / Monroe Uni.
81	Noah Willig	WR	6-2	170	Fr.	Norton, Ohio / Norton / University of Indianapolis
82	Amir Nixon	WR	6-1	195	Fr.	Grand Rapids, Michigan / Grand Rapids Christian
83	Jonasis Smith	WR	6-0	193	R-So.	Kent, Ohio / Theodore Roosevelt High School /
84	Grant Knight	WR	6-0	135	R-So.	Salem, Ohio / United High School /
85	Brandon Walker	WR	6-0	180	R-Jr.	Cleveland, Ohio / Shaker Heights High School /
86	Austin Knowles	WR	5-10	195	Fr.	Medina, Ohio / Medina
87	Craig Aiken	TE	6-5	217	R-So.	Macedonia, Ohio / Nordonia High School
88	Brady Carrigan	TE	6-6	228	R-So.	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania / Pine Richland High School
89	Trey Whiteman	TE	6-1	225	R-Jr.	Zanesville, Ohio / Zanesville High School /
90	Will Nienhius	DL	6-4	300	Fr.	Suffield, Ohio / Field
91	Kyler Larosa	DL	6-1	276	Jr.	Dublin, Ohio / Dublin Jerome High School /
92	David Hawersaat	DL	6-3	225	So.	Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio / Walsh Jesuit /
93	Taryn Arnold	DL	6-0	270	Fr.	Dover, Ohio / Dover
94	Caden Peters	DL	6-4	247	R-So.	Avon Lake, Ohio / Avon Lake High School /
95	Dalton Bickhart	DL	5-11	215	R-So.	Strongsville, Ohio / Strongsville /
96	Noah Brock	DL	6-3	220	So.	Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio / Walsh Jesuit /
97	Christopher Macioce	DL	6-4	240	Fr.	Niles, Ohio / Niles McKinley
98	Koty Henry	DL	6-0	228	R-Sr.	Wooster, Ohio / Wooster /
99	Kellan Wright	DL	6-4	225	Fr.	Hamilton, Ohio / Ross





## Walsh 2024 Stats

	WALSH	OPP
<b>Scoring</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>299</b>
Points per game	30.6	27.2
Points Off Turnovers	42	27
<b>First Downs</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>222</b>
Rushing	87	90
Passing	106	114
Penalty	34	18
<b>Rushing Yardage</b>	<b>1525</b>	<b>1543</b>
Yards gained rushing	1949	1792
Yards lost rushing	424	249
Rushing attempts	425	376
Average per rush	3.6	4.1
Average per game	138.6	140.3
TDs Rushing	20	17
<b>Passing Yardage</b>	<b>2540</b>	<b>2775</b>
Comp-Att-Int	178-303-3	208-357-9
Average per pass	8.4	7.8
Average per catch	14.3	13.3
Average per game	230.9	252.3
TDs Passing	19	20
<b>Total offense</b>	<b>4065</b>	<b>4318</b>
Total plays	728	733
Average per play	5.6	5.9
Average per game	369.5	392.5
<b>Kick returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>46-997</b>	<b>38-835</b>
<b>Punt returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>8-73</b>	<b>23-199</b>
<b>Int returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>9-196</b>	<b>3-19</b>
<b>Kick return average</b>	<b>21.7</b>	<b>22.0</b>
<b>Punt return average</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>8.7</b>
<b>Int return average</b>	<b>21.8</b>	<b>6.3</b>
<b>Fumbles-Lost</b>	<b>14-7</b>	<b>17-9</b>
<b>Penalties-Yards</b>	<b>61-515</b>	<b>94-872</b>
Average per game	46.8	79.3
<b>Punts-Yards</b>	<b>49-1807</b>	<b>50-1818</b>
Average per punt	36.9	36.4
Net punt average	31.2	33.7
<b>Kickoffs-Yards</b>	<b>57-3215</b>	<b>58-3367</b>
Average per kick	56.4	58.1
Net kick average	33.9	36.0
<b>Time of possession / game</b>	<b>29:41</b>	<b>30:18</b>
<b>3rd-down conversion</b>	<b>57/148</b>	<b>65/148</b>
3rd-down pct	39%	44%
<b>4th-down conversion</b>	<b>10/19</b>	<b>9/17</b>





# SINGLE-GAME highs

## OFFENSE

### RUSHING YARDS

Derrick Stickle vs. W.Va. State (11/8/03).....	348
Pete Tuccio (1950).....	296
Kevon Calhoun at Concord (11/13/10).....	258
Darryl Shipp (1981).....	245
Eddy Christian vs. W.Va. Tech (11/4/95).....	244

### PASSING YARDS

Zach Amedro vs. Edinboro (11/21/09).....	540
Zach Amedro at Seton Hill (11/6/10).....	525
Zach Amedro vs. Seton Hill (11/10/07).....	518
Zach Amedro vs. Shepherd (10/23/10).....	487
Zach Amedro vs. W.Va. Wesleyan (9/25/10).....	464

### TOUCHDOWNS

Kevon Calhoun vs. Edinboro (11/21/09).....	6
Branden Ore vs. Glenville (10/11/08).....	5
Kevon Calhoun at Concord (11/13/10).....	5
Hunter Patterson at Fairmont State (11/9/24).....	4
Jermaine Carter at Seton Hill (11/6/10).....	4
Almonzo Banks vs. Seton Hill (11/10/07).....	4
Derrick Stickle vs. W.Va. Wesleyan (10/1/05).....	4
Derrick Stickle vs. W.Va. State (11/8/03).....	4
Greg Dailer vs. W.Va. Tech (11/8/97).....	4

### RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

Kevon Calhoun at Concord (11/13/10).....	5
Branden Ore vs. Glenville (10/11/08).....	5
Kevon Calhoun vs. Edinboro (11/21/09).....	4
Derrick Stickle vs. W.Va. Wesleyan (10/1/05).....	4
Derrick Stickle vs. W.Va. State (11/8/03).....	4

### RECEIVING YARDS

Almonzo Banks vs. Seton Hill (11/10/07).....	292
Greg Dailer vs. St. Joseph (9/20/97).....	268
Renard Stevens vs. W.Va. Wesleyan (10/1/05).....	252
Gary Briggs vs. W.Va. Tech (11/7/98).....	247
Greg Dailer vs. W.Va. Wesleyan (10/26/96).....	216

### TD PASSES

Zach Amedro at Seton Hill (11/6/10).....	8
Mike Flannery vs. W.Va. State (1975).....	7
Zach Amedro vs. Edinboro (11/21/09).....	6
Zach Amedro vs. Lake Erie (9/2/09).....	6

### RECEPTIONS

Almonzo Banks vs. Seton Hill (11/10/07).....	18
Ryan Travis vs. W.Va. Wesleyan (9/25/10).....	15
Almonzo Banks vs. Shepherd (11/27/07).....	15
Ryan Travis vs. California, Pa. (11/28/09).....	14
Brandon Schroeder vs. Seton Hill (10/29/11).....	13
Ryan Travis at Seton Hill (11/6/10).....	13
Ryan Travis vs. Charleston (10/30/10).....	13
Ryan Travis at W.Va. State (10/16/10).....	13
Ryan Travis vs. Glenville (10/9/10).....	13
Ryan Travis at Fairmont (9/30/10).....	13
Renard Stevens vs. Charleston (11/5/05).....	13

### TD RECEPTIONS

Jermaine Carter at Seton Hill (11/6/10).....	4
Almonzo Banks vs. Seton Hill (11/10/07).....	4
Greg Dailer vs. W.Va. Tech (11/8/97).....	4
Thomas Cole at Wheeling (9/7/19).....	3

Anton McCallum vs. Charleston (10/10/15).....	3
Daree Goodwin vs. Urbana (9/24/15).....	3
Daree Goodwin at Urbana (10/18/14).....	3
Ryan Travis vs. Shepherd (10/23/10).....	3
Ryan Travis at W.Va. State (10/16/10).....	3
Kashif Walls vs. Seton Hill (10/31/09).....	3
Kashif Walls vs. W.Va. Wesleyan (9/19/09).....	3
Kashif Walls vs. Lake Erie (9/12/09).....	3
Almonzo Banks vs. Concord (9/23/06).....	3
Doug McClain (1986).....	3
Kevin Wilson (1975).....	3
Jim Borst (1970).....	3
Dave Holland (1969).....	3
Ray Prantil (1962).....	3

## SPECIAL TEAMS

### PUNTS

Griff Yocum vs. Urbana (10/19/13).....	11
Griff Yocum at Fairmont State (9/22/12).....	11
DJ Johnson at Fairmont State (11/9/24).....	10
Austin Mayfield vs. Charleston (11/16/19).....	10
Reed Reitter vs. Notre Dame (9/11/19).....	10
Griff Yocum at W.Va. Wesleyan (9/17/11).....	10
Mike Darrah vs. Walsh (9/3/05).....	10
DJ Johnson vs. Frostburg State (9/14/24).....	9*

(\* most recent, has happened 9 times in program history)

### LONG PUNTS

Christian Morris at Shepherd (10/4/17).....	79
Kevin Wilson (1977).....	79
Owen Rozanc at Glenville (4/10/21).....	78
Griff Yocum vs. Charleston (10/31/13).....	75
Mike Blewett vs. Walsh (9/5/09).....	71
Will Castelamare vs. W.Va. State (10/20/07).....	71
DJ Johnson at UNC-Pembroke (10/12/24).....	70
Christian Morris vs. Shepherd (10/6/18).....	70

### FIELD GOALS

Owen Rozanc vs. W.Va. State (10/20/18).....	3
Owen Rozanc vs. UVa-Wise (9/22/18).....	3
Bryan Arbes at Catawba (9/7/13).....	3
Bryan Arbes at W.Va. State (9/21/13).....	3
Bryan Arbes vs. Charleston (10/31/13).....	3
Mike Blewett at Glenville State (10/3/09).....	3
Billy Hager vs. W.Va. Wesleyan (9/27/08).....	3
Billy Hager at W.Va. State (10/28/06).....	3
J.C. Kimes at UVA-Wise (9/1/01).....	3

### LONG FIELD GOALS

Billy Hager vs. W.Va. Wesleyan (9/27/08).....	52
Justin Kaplan vs. W.Va. Wesleyan (9/24/22).....	48
Bryan Arbes vs. Charleston (10/31/13).....	48
Jeff Hoak at Concord (11/3/12).....	48
Billy Hager at Fairmont State (10/2/08).....	48
Billy Hager vs. Concord (9/15/07).....	48

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## DEFENSE

### TACKLES

Jim Calhoun vs. Salem (9/10/77).....	21
Doug McDaniel vs. Walsh (7/14/02).....	19
Carl Filut vs. Concord (10/17/87).....	19
Mark Johnston vs. Shepherd (9/27/86).....	19
Cliff Clark vs. Shepherd (10/6/18).....	18
Clay Beeler at Seton Hill (11/6/10).....	18
John Paesano vs. W.Va. Tech (9/7/85).....	18

### INTERCEPTIONS

Tom Pannett vs. Concord (10/14/61).....	5
Shon Stephens at Alderson Broaddus (9/9/22).....	4
Darren Banks vs. Ky. Wesleyan (9/8/07).....	4
Darren Banks vs. Fairmont (10/6/07).....	3
Darren Banks vs. Duquesne (9/30/06).....	3
Ian Whittington at W.Va. Wesleyan (10/1/05).....	3
Mark Ceglie at W.Va. Tech (10/28/00).....	3
Tom McKenney vs. W.Va. Wesleyan (11/7/92).....	3
Bryan Culley (twice).....	3

### TACKLES FOR LOSS

Kevin Dixon vs. W.Va. Tech (9/10/05).....	8
Andy Schumacher vs. Glenville (10/5/91).....	8
Trevor Hoosier vs. Fairmont (10/16/21).....	6
Kevin Dixon vs. Charleston (11/11/06).....	6
Doug McDaniel vs. Shepherd (11/4/00).....	6
E.J. Burt vs. Concord (10/7/00).....	6

### PASS BREAKUPS

Derrick Evans vs. Lake Erie (9/12/09).....	5
Bryan Culley vs. W.Va. Wesleyan (11/30/90).....	5
Rod White at Virginia State (9/8/12).....	4
Mike Darrah vs. Seton Hill (10/24/05).....	4
Billy Jones vs. W.Va. Tech (10/20/01).....	4
Damaro Wheeler vs. W.Va. Wesleyan (10/6/01).....	4
James Branch vs. W.Va. State (10/15/94).....	4
Bryan Culley vs. W.Va. State (10/16/93).....	4
Bryan Culley vs. Va. State (9/11/93).....	4
Dave Tippie vs. Glenville (10/11/91).....	4

### QB SACKS

Kevin Dixon vs. W.Va. Tech (9/10/05).....	6
E.J. Burt vs. Concord (10/7/00).....	5
Andy Schumacher vs. Glenville (10/5/91).....	5
Clay Beeler at Concord (9/13/08).....	4
Kevin Dixon vs. Ky. Wesleyan (9/9/06).....	4
Ernest Lezeau (1997).....	4
John Downard (1986).....	4

### PASSES DEFENDED

Derrick Evans vs. Lake Erie (9/12/09).....	6
Tom McKenney vs. W.Va. Wesleyan (11/7/92).....	6
Bryan Culley vs. W.Va. Wesleyan (11/30/90).....	6
Shon Stephens at Alderson Broaddus (9/9/22).....	5
Billy Jones vs. W.Va. Tech (10/20/01).....	5
Damaro Wheeler vs. W.Va. Wesleyan (10/6/01).....	5
Bryan Culley vs. W.Va. State (10/16/93).....	5
Bryan Culley vs. Va. State (9/11/93).....	5

### LONG FUMBLE RETURN

Derrick Rovira at Seton Hill (11/6/10).....	99
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### LONG INTERCEPTION RETURN

Ian Whittington vs. Concord (9/17/05).....	100
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# West Liberty Last Time

## **500-Yard Passing Game (3)**

Yds	Player	Opponent	Date
525	Zach Amedro	Seton Hill	Nov. 6, 2010

## **400-Yard Passing Game (14)**

Yds	Player	Opponent	Date
414	Rudy Garcia	Fairmont State	Sept.7, 2023

## **300-Yard Passing Game (54)**

Yds	Player	Opponent	Date
316	Rudy Garcia	Concord	Sept.30, 2023

## **300-Yard Rushing Game (1)**

Yds	Player	Opponent	Date
348	Derrick Stickles	W.Va. State	Nov.8, 2003

## **200-Yard Rushing Game (12)**

Yds	Player	Opponent	Date
210	Hunter Patterson	Fairmont State	Nov. 9, 2024

## **100-Yard Rushing Game (138)**

Yds	Player	Opponent	Date
110	Hunter Patterson	Charleston	Nov.2, 2024

## **200-Yard Receiving Game (10)**

Yds	Player	Opponent	Date
207	Ben Turner	W.Va. State	Sept. 21, 2024

## **100-Yard Receiving Game (161)**

Yds	Player	Opponent	Date
133	Ben Turner	Wheeling	Nov.16, 2024





# Around The Mountain East Conference

## MEC This Week:

### Thursday:

Wheeling at Clarion - 6 pm  
 Fairmont State at Seton Hill - 7 pm  
 Charleston vs Livingstone - 7 pm

### Saturday:

W.Va. State at Carson-Newman – Noon  
 W.Va. Wesleyan at Post – 1 pm  
 Frostburg State vs Shepherd – 6 pm  
 Concord at U Va. Wise – 6 pm  
 Glenville State vs Emory & Henry 6 pm

## MEC Scores From:

No Scores (Week 1)

## 2024 Team Stats

### Offense

	G	TD	FG	XPT	2XP	DXP	SAF	PTS	AVG/G
1 Charleston	12	73	6	65	3	0	0	527	43.9
2 UNC Pembroke	11	68	2	60	1	0	1	478	43.5
3 Fairmont State	11	47	15	44	0	0	0	371	33.7
4 Wheeling	11	50	7	40	3	0	0	367	33.4
5 West Virginia State	11	47	12	43	0	0	1	365	33.2
6 Frostburg State	11	47	7	39	3	0	1	350	31.8
7 Glenville State	11	32	7	29	0	0	1	244	22.2
8 West Liberty	11	31	6	27	0	0	0	231	21.0
9 West Virginia Wesleyan	11	26	8	19	1	0	0	201	18.3
10 Concord	11	22	6	21	0	0	2	175	15.9

### Defense

	G	TD	FG	XPT	2XP	DXP	SAF	PTS	AVG/G
1 Charleston	12	29	8	24	1	0	0	224	18.7
2 Glenville State	11	35	3	32	1	0	0	253	23.0
3 UNC Pembroke	11	35	10	30	2	0	0	274	24.9
4 Frostburg State	11	41	8	30	0	0	0	300	27.3
5 Wheeling	11	43	4	39	0	0	2	313	28.5
6 Fairmont State	11	48	5	46	1	0	0	351	31.9
7 West Virginia State	11	54	10	42	2	0	0	400	36.4
8 Concord	11	55	12	51	2	0	1	423	38.5
9 West Liberty	11	60	10	49	1	0	0	441	40.1
10 West Virginia Wesleyan	11	69	8	67	0	0	2	509	46.3

### Offense

	G	RUSH	PASS	PLAYS	YDS	AVG/P	TD	AVG/G
1 Charleston	12	3249	2403	840	5652	6.7	73	471.0
2 UNC Pembroke	11	1864	3278	717	5142	7.2	61	467.5
3 Fairmont State	11	1861	2960	773	4821	6.2	46	438.3
4 Wheeling	11	1761	2650	747	4411	5.9	45	401.0
5 West Virginia State	11	2154	2180	717	4334	6.0	44	394.0
6 Frostburg State	11	1556	2365	657	3921	6.0	42	356.5
7 West Liberty	11	1344	2401	741	3745	5.1	30	340.5
8 Glenville State	11	1712	1906	699	3618	5.2	31	328.9
9 Concord	11	987	2372	690	3359	4.9	21	305.4
10 West Virginia Wesleyan	11	706	2125	674	2831	4.2	25	257.4

### Defense

	G	RUSH	PASS	PLAYS	YDS	AVG/P	TD	AVG/G
1 UNC Pembroke	11	1294	2164	726	3458	4.8	33	314.4
2 Charleston	12	1282	2551	717	3833	5.3	28	319.4
3 Frostburg State	11	1747	1837	699	3584	5.1	39	325.8
4 Glenville State	11	1714	1978	655	3692	5.6	34	335.6
5 Wheeling	11	1504	2828	743	4332	5.8	41	393.8
6 West Liberty	11	1719	2798	729	4517	6.2	54	410.6
7 Fairmont State	11	2023	2633	755	4656	6.2	42	423.3
8 Concord	11	2258	2506	794	4764	6.0	50	433.1
9 West Virginia State	11	1853	2923	747	4776	6.4	49	434.2
10 West Virginia Wesleyan	11	2481	2783	725	5264	7.3	66	478.5





# 100 Seasons of WLU Football

## 100 Seasons of Hilltopper Football: A Legacy of Tradition, Triumph, and Tenacity

**WEST LIBERTY, W.Va.** – Few college football programs can boast a history as rich, resilient, and remarkable as the one found on the hilltop in West Liberty, West Virginia. What began with a modest 11-0 victory over Martins Ferry High School in **1899** has grown into a century-spanning story of grit, growth, and gridiron glory, now celebrating **100 seasons** of Hilltopper football.

### The Early Years: A Struggle to Take Root (1899–1922)

Though football first appeared on West Liberty’s athletic radar in the late 1800s, it took time for the sport to gain footing. In those days, players didn’t even need to be enrolled at the school to take the field, and the game itself lacked structure, scheduling, and proper record-keeping.

After a few sporadic seasons, the program was suspended in **1913**, and an attempted revival in **1919** ended tragically when fullback **Raymond Montgomery** suffered a fatal injury during a game. This tragedy halted the program again—this time indefinitely.

### A Foundation Is Laid: The 1920s and 1930s

Football finally returned to West Liberty for good in **1923**, as the institution committed to a structured and funded athletic department. Early coaches like **H.J. Shoup** and **Larry Stoops** helped rebuild the program, but it wasn’t until

**Harry Sweeney** took over in **1926** that Hilltopper football rose to prominence.

Sweeney’s teams were nothing short of dominant. His Hilltoppers rolled over opponents with eye-popping scores—**71-0 over West Virginia Tech**, **78-0 over Alderson**, and **98-0 against Shenandoah**. In his final game as head coach in **1932**, West Liberty routed Cedarville, **137-0**—a national record-setting performance that still echoes through college football history.

Sweeney’s tenure included **three West Virginia Conference (WVIAC) championships** (1927, 1929, 1930), a **19-1-1 WVIAC record**, and a **45-14-3 overall mark**, making him the winningest coach in school history by percentage.

The stars of this era included **Bob Campiglio**, who led the nation in scoring in 1931 with 145 points and went on to play in the NFL, and **Joey Korshalla**, who scored a still-standing national record **71 points in a single game**.



Harry Sweeney



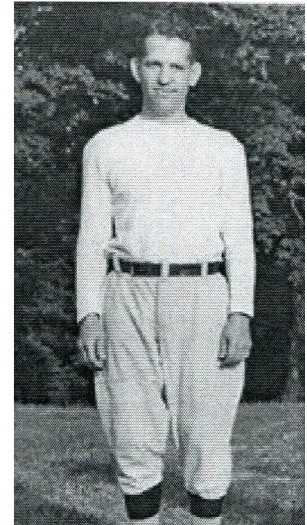
Bob Campiglio



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### A Program Solidifies: The Bartell Era (1933–1956)

When Sweeney stepped away, **Joe Bartell** stepped in—and led the Hilltoppers through the Great Depression, World War II, and into one of the golden eras of West Liberty football. Over **24 seasons**, Bartell compiled a **118-55-11 record**, won **seven WVIAC titles** and led the team to **three** undefeated **seasons**. His squads racked up a then-conference record **25-game unbeaten streak** from 1947–50 and secured **back-to-back bowl victories** in the **1949 Smoky Mountain Bowl** and **1950 Pythian Bowl**. Bartell's impact went far beyond football he also served as **athletic director**, **basketball coach**, and **baseball coach**, embodying the spirit of the multi-sport collegiate leader.



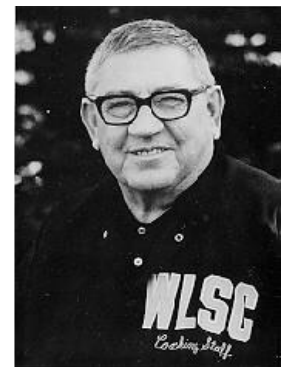
**Joe Bartell**

### Ups and Downs: From the 1960s to the 1980s

Following Bartell's departure, the Hilltoppers saw a string of coaching changes but also continued moments of excellence. Coaches like **George Kovalick** and **Bob Roe** led the program to multiple winning seasons, with Roe taking West Liberty to **NAIA national semifinals** in **1970** and **1971** and producing two NAIA First Team All-Americans—**Tom Priest** and **Dennis Knight**.

Roe was also on the sidelines for a **historic milestone in 1972**: the **first overtime game in college football history**.

An injured **Jeff Eppley**, with his arm in a sling, kicked the game-winning field goal against West Virginia State to seal a dramatic **17-14 victory** that drew national attention and a spotlight in *Sports Illustrated*.



**Bob Roe**

In 1975, backup QB **Mike Flannery** orchestrated an improbable comeback against West Virginia State in a **54-54 triple-overtime tie**, still a college football record for most combined points in a tied game.

The late '70s and early '80s included standout moments such as a **1979 WVIAC championship** under **John Westenhaver**, and the emergence of **Mark Murphy**, a defensive back who enjoyed a **12-year NFL career** with the Green Bay Packers and was later inducted into their Hall of Fame.



# 100 Seasons of WLU Football

## Modernization and Momentum: The 1990s–2000s

Under **Bob Eaton**, the Hilltoppers navigated their transition from NAIA to **NCAA Division II**, with WR **Greg Dailer** becoming the school's **first NCAA DII First-Team All-American** in **1997**. Eaton's 2000 squad won a **WVIAC title**, and his 70 career wins rank second in program history.

In **2005**, former offensive coordinator **Roger Waialae** took the reins, ushering in the program's most explosive offensive era. From 2005 to 2010, West Liberty posted **six straight winning seasons**, culminating in a **historic 2009 campaign** that saw the Hilltoppers go **11-2**, win the **WVIAC title**, and make their **first NCAA DII playoff appearance**.

Led by **QB Zach Amedro**, the 2009 Hilltoppers ranked **No. 1 nationally in scoring and total offense**.

Amedro, who was twice **Harlon Hill Trophy runner-up**, shattered school and conference passing records. He was joined by fellow All-Americans **Ryan Travis**, **Ben Staggs**, **Kevon Calhoun**, and **Derrick Evans** on one of the most decorated teams in school history.



**Zach Amedro**

## A Legacy of Grit and Gridiron Glory

From humble beginnings to record-setting victories, and from early tragedies to national accolades, West Liberty football has crafted a legacy of resilience and

The Hilltoppers have produced **NFL players**, **All-Americans**, and **conference champions**, all while representing their campus and community with heart and tradition.

As the Hilltoppers celebrate **100 seasons of intercollegiate football**, they honor a century of coaches, players, fans, and unforgettable moments—looking ahead to the next chapter in this enduring story on the Hilltop.