

# GAMEDAY PROGRAM

WEEK 4: VS. WILMINGTON SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 HOMECOMING WEEKEND DON SHULA STADIUM



# QUICK FACTS ABOUT JOHN CARROLL & JOHN CARROLL FOOTBALL

### **ABOUT JOHN CARROLL**

#### **ABOUT JCU FOOTBALL**

Location: University Heights, OH Telephone: 216-397-1886 Founded: 1886

Undergrad Enrollment: 2,660
Graduate students: 511

Religion: Roman Catholic

Religious Affiliation: Jesuit (Society of Jesus)

President: Al Miciak, Ph.D.

Student-Faculty ratio: 13-to-1

Students from: 34 states & 29 countries

Average class size: 20 students

Alumni: 44,000 alumni in all

50 states and 48 countries

2022 Record: 8-2 (8-1 OAC)
Head Coach: Jeff Behrman '95
Record at JCU: 0-0, 1st season
Offensive Coordinator: Travis James
Defensive Coordinator: Kevin Bracken
WRs/Recruiting/Football Ops: Rex Rover

Safeties/Special Teams: Joey Bates '21, '23 Mac Austin '21 Tight Ends: **Defensive Line:** Jeb Boudreaux Running Backs: Brandon DiMarco '18 Quarterbacks: Dr. Ron Dolciato '90 Assistant WR's: Brvan Beigie '04 Cornerbacks: Luke Passinault '23 Offensive Line: Tyler Hughes '23 Linebackers: Mike Soeder Defensive Quality Control:

efensive Quality Control: Tyler Habursky Keegan Meloun

Dane Murray

Offensive Quality Control: Caelb Miller

Ryan Edgerly Greg Campbell

OAC Regular Season Titles: 1938, 1989, 1994, 2016

NCAA Tournament Qualifier: 1989, 1997, 2002, 2013,

2014, 2016, 2018

### **ABOUT THE BLUE STREAKS**

Nickname: Blue Streaks
Colors: Blue and Gold

Conference: Ohio Athletic Conference

NCAA Affliation: NCAA Division III Website: jcusports.com

Number of varsity sports: 24

Athletic Director: Brian Polian '97
Deputy AD/SWA: Kerry Bebie '91, '95G
Asst. AD for Internal Ops: Allison Kwan '20, '22G

Assistant AD: Mike Hollins '17
Head Athletic Trainer: Don McPhillips
Asst. Athletic Trainer: Eddie Dobrowolski
Strength & Conditioning Tim Robertson
Head EQ & Facilities: Shawn Cronin
Asst. EQ & Facilities: Cam Mayle '20

### **DIRECTORY:**

### **UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION**

Head Coach Jeff Behrman

President:

Alan Miciak

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VP for University Advancement Ryan Daly
VP for Finance and Administration Robert Connors Athletic Department

General Counsel Colleen G. Treml, J.D. Phone: 216-397-4416

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## JOHN CARROLL

## **2023 SCHEDULE**



## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 / 1:30 PM VS. WISCONSIN-WHITEWATER

L, 24-21

Don Shula Stadium / University Heights, Ohio



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 / 1:30 PM AT BALDWIN WALLACE \*

W, 30-7

Finnie Stadium / Berea, Ohio



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 / 1:30 PM AT HEIDELBERG

W, 34-7

Hoernemann Stadium/Tiffin, Ohio



## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER / 1:30 PM VS. WILMINGTON ^

Don Shula Stadium / University Heights, Ohio



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7 / 1:30 PM AT MARIETTA

Don Drumm Stadium / Marietta, Ohio



## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14 / 2:00 PM VS. OHIO NORTHERN

Don Shula Stadium / University Heights, Ohio



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21 / 1:30 PM AT CAPITAL

Bernlohr Stadium / Bexley, Ohio



## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28 / 1:30 PM VS. MUSKINGUM

Don Shula Stadium / University Heights, Ohio



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4 / 1:30 PM VS. MOUNT UNION

Don Shula Stadium / University Heights, Ohio



## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12 / 1:30 PM AT OTTERBEIN

Memorial Stadium / Westerville, Ohio

- <sup>^</sup> Homecoming
- \* Cuyahoga Gold Bowl

## **HOMECOMING TRADITION**

#### **Homecoming History (since 1948)**

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<b>Date</b> 10/23/1948	<b>Opponent</b> Niagara	W/L W	<b>Score</b> 47-14	
10/21/1949	Marshall	W	26-7	
11/4/1950	Syracuse	W	21-16	
10/28/1951	Quantico Marines	Ĺ	15-35	
11/8/1952	Xavier	L	7-13	
10/17/1953	Case Tech	W	31-0	
11/6/1954	Xavier	L	7-26	
10/22/1955	Edinboro	W	32-0	
10/27/1956	Case Tech	W	20-0	
10/12/1957	Wayne State	W	19-6	
10/25/1958	Case Tech	W	32-14	
10/17/1959	Wayne State	W	40-0	
10/1/1960	Case Tech	L	8-20	
10/28/1961	Wayne State	W	62-0	
10/27/1962 10/12/1963	Western Reserve Wayne State	W W	7-0 20-0	
10/12/1963	Eastern Michigan	W	7-3	
10/16/1965	Western Reserve	W	20-0	
10/1/1966	Washington & Jefferson	W	13-0	
10/7/1967	Case Tech	W	41-0	
10/5/1968	Case Tech	W	29-7	
10/11/1969	Allegheny	W	32-25	
10/17/1970	Thiel	W	36-30	
10/2/1971	Bethany	W	28-0	
10/14/1972	Grove City	W	28-12	
10/6/1973	Wooster	L	7-14	
10/12/1974	Washington & Jefferson	W	41-14	
10/4/1975	Carnegie Mellon	W	19-7	
10/2/1976	Allegheny	L	14-35	
10/8/1977	Bethany	L	2-16	
10/14/1978	Bethany	W	34-27	
10/6/1979	Case Western	L L	3-17	
9/27/1980 10/3/1981	Bethany	W	10-14	
10/2/1982	Allegheny Hiram	W	9-7 10-7	
10/15/1983	Allegheny	W	16-14	
10/6/1984	Hiram	W	14-6	
9/28/1985	Case Western	L	0-37	
10/11/1986	Wooster	L	14-15	
9/26/1987	Thiel	W	40-0	
9/24/1988	Washington & Jefferson	L	13-20	
10/7/1989	Otterbein	W	30-3	
9/22/1990	Capital	W	24-16	
10/5/1991	Otterbein	W	39-0	
10/10/1992	Mount Union	L	14-24	
10/2/1993	Ohio Northern	W	30-24	
10/8/1994	Heidelberg	W	27-23	
9/23/1995	Otterbein	W	55-14	
9/28/1996	Marietta	W	38-11	
10/4/1997 10/10/1998	Otterbein	W W	50-6	
10/10/1998	Marietta Mount Union	vv L	45-21 51-57	3 OT
10/7/2000	Wilmington	L	19-24	3 01
9/22/2001	Mount Union	L	30-33	
9/21/2002	Wilmington	W	40-0	
9/27/2003	Ohio Northern	W	28-23	
10/23/2004	Heidelberg	W	24-0	
10/1/2005	Ohio Northern	W	50-25	
9/23/2006	Ohio Northern	L	9-23	
9/29/2007	Baldwin Wallace	W	20-17	OT

Date	Opponent	W/L	Score	
9/27/2008	Heidelberg	W	17-15	
10/10/2009	Marietta	W	22-0	
9/25/2010	Marietta	W	24-18	
10/1/2011	Otterbein	W	47-41	2 OT
10/6/2012	Marietta	W	61-14	
9/28/2013	Otterbein	W	28-0	
9/27/2014	Baldwin Wallace	W	45-7	
10/3/2015	Ohio Northern	L	27-30	
10/8/2016	Marietta	W	42-7	
10/28/2017	Muskingum	W	24-0	
10/6/2018	Capital	W	44-0	
10/5/2019	Muskingum	W	31-10	
10/2/2021	Muskingum	W	29-7	
9/24/2022	Heidelberg	W	24-7	

#### **JCU HOMECOMING FACTS & FIGURES**

JCU Record: 55-18

**Longest Winning Streak: 12, (1961-1972)** 

Most Points Scored: 62 (vs. Wayne State 10/28/1961)

Largest Margin of Victory: 62-0 (vs. Wayne State on 10/28/1961)

**Against OAC Teams: 26-6** 

**Shutouts:** 19 (Most recent: 44-0 vs. Capital 10/6/2018)

#### **Notable Homecoming Games**

1948: The Blue Streaks defeated Niagara 47-14, marking their 100th all-time victory.

1950: 16,724 people at Cleveland Stadium witnessed John Carroll upset powerhouse Syracuse 21-16, putting John Carroll on the college football map and propelling Carl Taseff and Don Shula to NFL careers.

1957: Jerry Schweickert's performance against Wayne State earned him the first-ever Sportswriter's Trophy, an annual award given to the most outstanding Blue Streak player during the homecoming game. The award was discontinued in the 1980s.

1964: Ron Niedzwiecki and Charlie Englehart's key tackle near the goal line helped preserve a 7-3 victory over Eastern Michigan. They were the first co-winners of the Sportswriter's Trophy.

1967: John Pollard became the first freshman to win the Sportswriter's Trophy after he ran for 127 yards and three touchdowns in a 41-0 shutout of Case Tech.

1968: The Blue Streaks played against Case Tech in the first-ever game at Wasmer Field. They had 530 yards of total offense including 439 on the ground in the 29-7 victory over Case Tech.

1978: Brian Niec tied a school record with five rushing touchdowns on 192 yards to help lead JCU to a 34-27 win against Bethany.

1987: Doug Dickason kicked four field goals in a shutout victory over Thiel.

1989: Bruce Saban caught three touchdown passes while Willie Beers rushed for 212 yards to propel the Blue Streaks over Otterbein.

2005: John Carroll upsets Ohio Northern 50-25, who was ranked #10 in the D3football.com poll.



## JOHN CARROLL NUMERICAL ROSTER

#	NAME	POS	нт	WT	ΥR	HOMETOWN / HIGH SCHOOL
0	Luke Larkin	DB	6-1	180	Jr.	Kent, OH / Theodore Roosevelt
0	Joe Torok	WR	5-9	175	Gr.	Kirtland, OH / Kirtland
1	Matthew Buser	RB	5-9	180	Sr.	Akron, OH / Richfield Revere
1	Tyson Simon	DB	5-11	175	So.	Erie, PA / Cathedral Preparatory School
2	Chris Golson	DB	5-10	205	Jr.	Streetsboro, OH / Streetsboro
2	Tyler Mintz	WR	5-10	185	Sr.	Kenston, OH / Kenston Dayton
4	Nathan Sala	OLB	5-11	175	Fr.	Pittsburgh, PA / Mt. Lebanon
4	Tra'Sean Foster	DB	6-2	194	Fr.	Canton, OH / Canton McKinley
5	William Burney	WR	5-7	174	Fr.	Youngstown, OH / Ursuline
5	Jack Carey	DB	5-9	180	Jr.	Buffalo, NY / St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute
6	Jack Cardaman	WR	5-11	165	So.	Aurora, OH / Aurora
6	Kevin Doyle	DB	5-11	180	Jr.	Chardon, OH / Chardon
6	Harrison Feldman	QB	6-3	190	So.	Columbia, MD / Atholton
7	Elijah Chungu	DB	6-0	185	Sr.	Canton, OH / Louisville St. Thomas Aquinas
7	Thomas Richardson	QВ	6-3	205	So.	Bedford, OH / St. Vincent- St.Mary
8	James Austin	DB	5-10	180	Sr.	Aurora, OH / Aurora
8	Nikko Georgiou	QB	6-0	180	Fr.	Chagrin Falls, OH / Kenston
8	Dylan Reid	WR	5-9	175	So.	Strongsville, OH / Strongsville
9	Jackson Cohenour	LB	5-11	180	So.	Severn, MD / Old Mill
9	Trae'vion Meadows	WR	5-9	180	Fr.	Detroit, MI / Detroit Martin Luther King Jr.
10	Dorian Facen Jr	WR	6-2	215	Fr.	Buffalo, NY / Williamsville East
10	Jacob Hufnagel	DB	6-0	180	Fr.	Pittsburgh, PA / Upper St. Clair
12	Trevor Horvath	QВ	6-0	170	So.	Twinsburg, OH / Twinsburg
12	Santino Comunale	DB	5-10	185	Sr.	Pittsburgh, PA / Gateway
13	Joe Collins	QB	6-1	205	Gr.	Grand Rapids, MI / Catholic Central
13	Ronald Kiener	DB	5-10	185	Sr.	Clarence Center, NY / Clarence
14	Brennan Fugh	WR	5-11	180	Gr.	Pittsburgh, PA / Shaler Area
14	Michael Beiersdorf	DB	6-2	195	Fr.	Pittsburgh, PA / Mount Lebanon
15	Jack McDaniels	WR	6-0	185	Fr.	Westwood, MA / Westwood
15	Jahiem Peake	OLB	6-2	230	Sr.	Akron, OH / St. Vincent-St. Mary
17	Michael Lombardo	WR	5-6	145	Sr.	Euclid, OH / Lakewood St. Edward
17	Kaiden Olson	DB	5-11	175	So.	Clyde, OH / Clyde
18	Cameran Czerwien	DB	6-2	180	So.	Rochester, MI / Rochester
18	Jon Tomcufcik	TE	6-1	215	Sr.	Bainbridge, OH / Kenston Ashland University
19	Sean Sansone	QB	5-10	175	Fr.	East Amherst, NY / Williamsville East
19	Levi VeVerka	DB	6-2	180	Jr.	Chesterland, OH / West Geauga
20	Chance Boyd	DB	5-10	175	Sr.	Wexford, PA / Pine-Richland
20	Mason Sullivan	RB	6-1	205	Jr.	Kirtland, OH / Kirtland
21	Luke Mazowiecki	DB	5-11	180	Sr.	Latrobe, PA / Greensburg Central Catholic
21	Quincy Newsom	RB	6-1	207	Fr.	Twinsburg, OH / Twinsburg
22	Daniel Gallagher Jr.	WR	5-9	170	Sr.	Willoughby Hills, OH / Willoughby South
22	Thomas Niederst	DB	6-4	185	Fr.	Avon, OH / Elyria Catholic
23	Ryan Carroll	LB	6-0	200	So.	Palos, IL / St. Laurence
23	Evan McVay	RB	5-8	180	Jr.	Aurora, OH / Aurora
24	Patrick Herr	DB	6-0	180	Fr.	Skaneateles, NY / Skaneateles
24	Jack Arnold	DB	6-0	170	So.	Berea, OH / Berea Midpark
24	Bricker Thiel	DE	6-0	240	Sr.	London, OH / London
25	Artis Simmons	RB	5-7	165	Fr.	Erie, PA / McDowell
26	Lamar Thomas	DB	5-10	175	So.	Buffalo, NY / Canisius
29	Joe Bova	LB	5-10	205	So.	Twinsburg, OH / Twinsburg
29	Xavier Perez	DB	5-11	175	So.	Chagrin Falls, OH / Chagrin Falls Ohio Dominican
30	Alexander Balla	OLB	6-0	175	Sr.	Parma, OH / Padua Franciscan
31	Torry Stazzone	CB	6-1	160	So.	Chesterland, OH / West Geauga
32	Jaylen Johnson	RB	5-9	185	So.	Oak Lawn, IL / Marist
32	Anthony Pietragallo	DB	5-11	170	Fr.	Pittsburgh, PA / Mt. Lebanon
33	Xavier Andrews	LB	6-0	215	Jr.	Massillon, OH / Massillon Washington
34	Jake Phillips	LB	6-1	230	Jr.	Orrville, OH / Orrville
35	Garrett Sparks	DB	6-2	185	Jr.	Brunswick, OH / Parma Heights Holy Name
36	Eeyoha Aklog	DB	5-11	175	Jr.	Cleveland, OH / Shaker Heights
37	Jacob Ferency	LB	5-10	205	So.	South Park, PA / South Park



## **JOHN CARROLL NUMERICAL ROSTER**

38	Brady Leczo	LB	5-11	220	Jr.	Pittsburgh, PA / North Allegheny
39	Javi Quimba	RB	5-10	190	Fr.	Hilliard, OH / Hilliard Darby
40	Ivory Travers	LB	6-0	205	Fr.	Pittsburgh, PA / Upper St. Clair
42	Eathan Cobbin	TE	6-1	225	So.	Ravenna, OH / Ravenna
43	Zachary Smith	DB	5-9	160	Sr.	Monroeville, PA / Gateway
44	Collin Orosz	LB	6-1	205	Fr.	Mentor, OH / Mentor
45	Joe Thimons	OLB	6-0	200	So.	Pittsburgh, PA / Bethel Park
46	Alec Buehner	RB	6-0	200	Jr.	Cleveland, OH / Parma Padua Franciscan
47	Cameron Moss	DB	5-10	180	Sr.	Amherst, OH / Steele
48	Chad Harpster	LS	5-10	195	So.	White Lake, MI / Detroit Catholic Central
49	Connor Fracassi	DB	6-0	175	Sr.	South Lyon, MI / South Lyon
50	Ben Grafton	DL	6-0	290	Sr.	Wexford, PA / North Allegheny
51	Yanni Volas	K/P	5-10	180	Jr.	North Canton / Hoover
52	Owen Schuckert	K/P	6-0	180	So.	Brooklyn Heights, OH / Cuyahoga Heights
53	Griffin Lidyard	LB	6-1	240	Jr.	Avon Lake, OH / Avon Lake
54	Matt Wrather	OL	5-11	250	Jr.	Powell, OH / Olentangy Liberty
55	Nathan Kovach	0L	6-3	260	Sr.	Dublin, OH / Jerome
56	Ian Thomas	DL	6-3	225	Sr.	Pittsburgh, PA / Brentwood
57		LB	6-0	220	Sr.	Pittsburgh, PA / Bethel Park
	Tyler Thimons					
59	Tony Tirado	LB	6-1	200	Fr.	Chicago, IL / Saint Ignatius (IL)
62	Nick Peri	0L	6-0	250	Jr.	Hudson, OH / Hudson
64	Matthew Chimera	0L	6-2	270	Sr.	Buffalo, NY / Kenmore West
65	Matthew Russo	0L	6-2	274	Jr.	Depew, NY / Depew
67	Jeremy Bravard	OL	6-2	285	Sr.	Newark, OH / Licking Valley
68	Troy Mrukowski	OL	6-2	250	Fr.	Powell, OH / Olentangy Liberty
71	Bene Caputo	OL	6-4	240	Jr.	Wexford, PA / North Allegheny
72	Ben Dehmer	OL	6-5	285	Fr.	Columbus, OH / New Albany
73	Mike Bartusiak	OL	6-2	285	Sr.	Des Plaines, IL / Maine West
74	Michael Dorn	DL	6-0	250	Jr.	Pittsburgh, PA / Wexford North Allegheny
76	Nick Northup	OL OL	6-3	260	Jr.	Strongsville, OH / Strongsville
	Aiden Andrako					
77		0L	6-4	245	Fr.	Rocky River / Rocky River
77	Javan Peterson	DL	6-1	305	So.	Columbus, OH / Bishop Sycamore
78	Billy McGee	OL	6-4	245	Jr.	Oak Park, IL / Fenwick
79	Luke Gibbons	0L	6-2	270	Sr.	Broadview Heights, OH / Brecksville-Broadview Heights
80	Mason Bala	WR	6-0	165	Jr.	Wickliffe, OH / Wickliffe
81	Connor Cohan	TE	6-1	200	So.	Livonia, MI / Detroit Catholic Central
82	Jamaal Sharp	WR	5-11	170	Fr.	Cincinnati, OH / St. Xavier
82	Cody Marn	WR	6-4	190	Fr.	Pittsburgh, PA / Upper St. Clair
83	Jake Varga	WR	5-11	190	So.	Hudson, OH / Hudson
84	Gage Sullivan	WR	6-4	200	So.	Kirtland, OH / Kirtland
85	Eddie Musbach	WR	6-3	195	So.	Twinsburg, OH / Saint Ignatius
86	Jake Lang	TE	6-2	210	Sr.	Avon Lake, OH / Saint Ignatius
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87	Lucas D'Orazio	TE	6-3	220	Gr.	Cuyahoga Heights, OH / Cuyahoga Heights/Duquesne
88	JP Germano	WR	6-1	190	So.	Chagrin Falls, OH / Kenston
89	Kristian Daetwyler	WR	6-1	175	Jr.	Kent, OH / Kent Roosevelt
90	Isaac Wilson	LB/DL		220	Jr.	Wauseon, OH / Wauseon
91	Griffin Pay	LB	5-10	180	Fr.	Medina, OH / Medina
91	James Kalas	DE	6-4	205	Fr.	Utica, OH / Northridge
92	Tommy Wasinski	DL	5-10	225	So.	Parma Heights, OH / St. Ignatius
93	Joe Felice	TE	5-10	215	So.	Aurora, OH / Aurora
94	Hayden Sheets	DL	6-2	245	Sr.	Pittsburgh, PA / North Allegheny
95	Nathaniel Hendrix	DL	6-1	195	So.	Hillard, OH / Hillard Darby
96	Thomas Faron	DL	6-4	220	Sr.	Lemont, IL / Lemont
97	Colin Schuler	K/P	6-3	170	Fr.	Westerville, OH / New Albany
98	Hunter Kanotz	DE	6-3	230	Fr.	Canfield, OH / Canfield
99	Ben Day	LB	6-2	200	So.	Brecksville, OH / Brecksville Broadview Heights

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## **JOHN CARROLL NUMERICAL ROSTER**

#### **COACHING STAFF**

**Head Coach** 

Offensive Coordinator

Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers

Safeties/Special Team Coordinator

Wide Receivers

**Asssistant Wide Receivers** 

**Tight Ends** 

Defensive Line

**Running Backs** 

Ouarterbacks

Linebackers

Cornerbacks

Offensive Line

**Defensive Quality Control** 

Offensive Quality Control

#### **PRONUNCIATIONS**

#1 Matthew BYOU-sir

#7 Elijah Chung-Goo

#8 Nikko George-you

#14 Brennan FEW

#15 Ja-HEEM Peake

#18 Jon TOM-cuff-sick

#24 Bricker TEAL

#38 Brady Le-x-oe

#39 Javi (Ha-Vi) Quimba

#57 Tyler TIM-ons

#59 Tony Ter-Rah-Doe

#68 Troy MUR-KOW-SKI

#73 Mike Bar-T00-ZEE-ak

#87 Lucas Dee-oar-OZ-ee-oh

Jeff Behrman (John Carroll '95, 1st season)

Travis James (Illinios College '13, 1st season)

Kevin Bracken (Moravian College, 1st season)

Joey Bates (John Carroll '21, '23; 3rd season)

Rex Rover (Xavier College '14, 3rd season)

Bryan Beigie (John Carroll '04, 6th season)

Mac Austin (John Carroll '22, 2nd season)

Jeb Boudreaux (Stetson, 1st season)

Brandon DiMarco (John Carroll '18, 3rd season) Dr. Ron Dolciato (John Carroll '90, 25th season)

Mike Soeder (1st season)

Luke Passinault (John Carroll '23, 1st season)

Tyler Hughes (John Carroll '23, 1st season)

Tyler Habursky, Keegan Meloun, and Dane Murray

Caleb Miller, Ryan Edgerly, and Greg Campbell



## WILMINGTON NUMERICAL ROSTER

1	Nehemiah Jenkins	So.	RB	6-0	180	Bradenton, Fla. / Braden River
2	Jalaun Covington	Sr.	DB	5-9	165	Reynoldsburg, Ohio / Pickerington
2	Nathan Throckmorton	Jr.	RB	5-9	165	Chillicothe, Ohio / Adena
3	Omar Beckley	Fr.	QB	6-0	175	Cincinnati, Ohio / Western Hills
3	Na'Zere Neal	Jr.	DB	5-9	170	Fairfield, Ohio / Fairfield
4	Jamaun Clark	Sr.	WR	5-9	155	Paris, Ky. / Paris
4	Sam Harding	Jr.	DB	6-1	173	Clarksville, Tenn. / Rossview
5	Kaleb Easley	Sr.	LB	5-10	200	Albany, Ohio / Alexander
6	Derek Larimer	Sr.	QB	6-1	180	Columbus, Ohio / Hamilton Township
6	Zac Schmidt	Sr.	DB	6-0	185	Eaton, Ohio / Eaton
7	Quinton Huggins	Sr.	DB	5-9	165	Charlotte, N.C. / Charlotte Catholic
7	Saa'lih Muhammed	Jr.	WR	6-1	170	Dayton, Ohio / Northridge
8	Red Holston	Sr.	DB	5-9	180	Cincinnati, Ohio / Western Hills
8	<u>Lathan Jones</u>	Sr.	WR	6-3	185	Sidney, Ohio / Sidney
9	Bryan Kearse	So.	WR	5-10	160	Bradenton, Fla. / Braden River
9	Jake Sheriff	Sr.	LB	6-0	209	Hamilton, Ohio / Fairfield
10	Ashton Griffith	Fr.	НВ	6-0	205	Milford Center, Ohio / Fairbanks
10	Joey Weikel	Sr.	LB	6-0	230	Cincinnati, Ohio / Oak Hills
11	Tyreeq Nebbitt	Sr.	RB	5-8	175	Paris, Ky. / Paris
11	Xzerious Stinnett	Sr.	LB	5-7	200	Springfield, Ohio / Springfield
12	Austin Newman	So.	DB	6-4	190	Otway, Ohio / Northwest
12	Jaidan Puig	Fr.	QB	5-10	175	Clarksville, Tenn. / Northeast
13	Demyran Joy	Fr.	WR	5-7	155	Cincinnati, Ohio / North College Hill
13	Jarod Lee	Jr.	LB	6-0	190	Eaton, Ohio / Eaton
14	RJ McNeill	Fr.	DB	6-0	185	Clarksville, Tenn. / Rossview
14	Isaac Ross	So.	QB	6-0	185	Bayfield, Colo. / Bayfield
15	Maurice Fluker	Fr.	DB	5-10	180	Tampa, Fla. / Seffner Christian Academy
15	Brody Parsley	Fr.	QB	5-10	175	Columbus, Ohio / Grandview Heights
16	Xavier Brown	Fr.	QB	5-11	175	Louisville, Ky. / Central
16	Donovan Mosley	Fr.	DB	5-11	170	Sellersburg, Ind. / Silver Creek
17	Brayden Jones	So.	WR	6-0	175	Connersville, Ind. / Connersville
17	Rocco Romeo	Jr.	DB	5-9	180	Bowerstown, Ohio / Conotton Valley
18	Gabe Chaney	Fr.	DB	5-7	155	Clarksville, Tenn. / Davidson Academy
19	Robert Riley	Fr.	DB	6-1	175	Clarksville, Tenn. / Clarksville
19	Ethan Williams	So.	LB	5-9	170	Dayton, Ohio / Northridge
20	Devon Harolson	Fr	DB	5-10	165	Chattanooga, Tenn. / East Hamilton
20	O'Neil Moore	So.	RB	5-9	170	Cincinnati, Ohio / Woodward
21	Sean Hollenbeck	So.	DB	5-11	165	Olmsted Township, Ohio / Olmsted Falls

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25	Dominic Smith	Fr.	DB	6-2	190	Seffner, Fla. / Armwood
26	Devon Johnson	Fr.	LB	5-11	165	London, Ky. / North Laurel
28	Ben Hobbs	Sr.	RB	6-2	210	Camden, Ohio / Preble Shawnee
29	Spencer George	Fr.	RB	5-6	155	West Jefferson, Ohio / West Jefferson
29	Jeff Watkins	So.	RB	5-9	195	Chattanooga, Tenn. / Notre Dame
30	Trevor Smith	Sr.	DL	6-0	190	Enon, Ohio / Greenon
31	Nick Bucksath	Fr.	LB	6-0	190	Goshen, Ohio / Goshen
32	Eli Brock	Sr.	RB	5-8	180	Buffalo, W.Va. / Buffalo
32	Gavan Hunter	Fr.	LB	5-8	180	Wilmington, Ohio / Clinton-Massie
33	Nathan Nemeth	Fr.	DB	6-0	190	Sugar Grove, Ohio / Berne Union
33	Dallas Rawlings	Jr.	RB	5-9	200	Hamilton, Ohio / Badin
34	NaJahn Wright	Fr.	LB	5-11	185	Clarksville, Tenn. / West Creek
35	Curtis Spangler	Jr.	LB	5-10	180	Sidney, Ohio / Sidney
36	<u>Drew Hardy</u>	So.	RB	5-7	190	Marysville, Ohio / Washington Court House
37	Reshard Mack	Fr.	LB	5-7	190	Tallahassee, Fla. / Rickards
40	Dillon Howard	Sr.	LB	5-10	200	West Alexandria, Ohio / Twin Valley South
41	Tyler Barth	Fr.	DL	5-10	215	Union, Ky. / Ryle
42	Jack Sandberg	So.	LB	6-1	215	Hilliard, Ohio / Hilliard Bradley
43	Mo Sissoko	Sr.	DL	6-5	230	Union, Ky. / Ryle
44	Caleb Sparks-Matthews	So.	НВ	5-7	230	Cincinnati, Ohio / Princeton
45	Andrew Orahood	Fr.	К	5-7	175	Galloway, Ohio / Westland
48	RJ Weber	Fr.	LB	6-2	215	Circleville, Ohio / Logan Elm
50	Jackson Combs	So.	OL	6-2	250	Nicholasville, Ky. / West Jessamine
51	Joey Kocher	Fr.	OL	6-0	255	Blanchester, Ohio / Clinton-Massie
52	Kale Shaffer	Fr.	LB	6-2	210	Waynesville, Ohio / Bishop Fenwick
53	Bryce Hodapp	Fr.	DL	6-0	205	Brookville, Ind. / Franklin County
54	Justin Harrison	So.	DL	6-0	270	Blacklick, Ohio / Reynoldsburg
55	Tony Crane	Fr.	OL	5-11	260	Fishers, Ind. / Fishers
55	Noah Perry	Jr.	DL	6-2	215	Middletown, Ohio / Madison
56	Andrew Welch	Jr.	OL	6-0	335	Waverly, Ohio / Waverly
57	Wyatt Lykins	Sr.	DL	6-0	240	Mainesville, Ohio / Little Miami
58	Steven Salyer	Sr.	OL	6-3	265	Piketon, Ohio / Piketon
61	Tim Lewellen	So.	OL	6-2	265	Lancaster, Ohio / Lancaster
64	Lucas Breniser	So.	OL	6-5	330	Canal Winchester, Ohio / Teays Valley
66	Max Ansteatt	Sr.	OL	6-1	255	Owensvile, Ohio / Clermont
68	<u>Dylan Alltop</u>	So.	OL	6-2	275	Washington Court House, Ohio / Miami Trace
69	Trevor Addison	Sr.	OL	6-1	280	Covington, Ky. / Scott
71	Tyler Tolson	Fr.	OL	6-0	265	Harveysburg, Ohio / Clinton-Massie



#### **FOOTBALL**

				Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School
73	Riley Hubbard	Sr.	OL	6-0	285	Troy, Ohio / Troy
74	Andrew Thompson	So.	OL	6-1	285	Cincinnati, Ohio / Winton Woods
75	Levi Houser	Fr.	OL	6-3	285	Montpelier, Ohio / North Central
76	Brandon McGraw	Jr.	OL	6-5	335	Rising Sun, Ind. / South Dearborn
77	Austin Shaw	Fr.	OL	6-0	270	Independence, Ky. / Scott
78	Brandon Mitchell	So.	OL	6-1	300	Beavercreek, Ohio / Beavercreek
80	Joseph Spann	Fr.	WR	6-3	205	Reynoldsburg, Ohio / Reynoldsburg
81	Rickey Astin	Fr.	WR	5-9	150	Interlachen, Fla. / Interlachen
81	Avery Ernst	Fr.	К	5-8	160	Greenville, Ohio / Greenville
82	Savian Torrence	So.	WR	6-1	180	Reynoldsburg, Ohio / Reynoldsburg
83	Seth Best	Sr.	K	5-9	160	London, Ohio / London
84	<u>Najee Dade</u>	Fr.	WR	5-9	165	Riverview, Fla. / Sumner
85	Connor Bucksath	Sr.	K	6-0	170	Loveland, Ohio / Goshen
85	Jayv'n Hill	So.	НВ	6-3	250	Dayton, Ohio / Fairmont
86	Jourdyn Smith	Fr.	WR	6-1	175	Jacksonville, Fla. / Ribault
90	Ashley Lindman	Fr.	DL	6-2	215	Cihillicothe, Ohio / Huntington
91	Cody Workinger	Fr.	DL	6-2	200	Canal Fulton, Ohio / Northwest
92	Luke Wroten	So.	DL	6-2	235	West Portsmouth, Ohio / West Portsmouth
93	Mar'Kwon Harris	Fr.	DL	6-1	230	Cincinnati, Ohio / Western Hills
94	Elijah Newman	Fr.	DL	6-2	230	Sellersburg, Ind. / Silver Creek
95	Kenny Cunningham	Fr.	DL	6-2	240	Richmond, Ind. / Richmond
97	Lincoln Washington	So.	DL	6-0	220	Indianapolis, Ind. / Lawrence North
98	Kellen Strayer	Fr.	DL	5-11	230	Troy, Ohio / Troy
99	Logan Lovins	So.	DL	6-1	220	Goshen, Ohio / Goshen

\cting Head Coach: Corey, Fillipovich (Muskingum, 2003) - Third season \( \) \text{Tffensive Coordinator: } \( \) \text{Hayden Thomas} \( \) \text{Defensive Coordinator: } \( \) \text{Tom Ferner} \( \)

Assistant Coaches: Lucas Skibba, Yon Thomas, Brandon Farley, Jackson Satterfield, Matthew Ramirez, Nathan Messenger, Marque Jones Sr., Will Isaac, Jack Romer

## JCU IN THE NFL

Ever since Don Shula '51 broke into the NFL as a player, and then as a coach, John Carroll University has been a pipeline to the NFL.

Shula still stands as the most winningest head coach in NFL history, recording a 347-173-6 record in 36 years with the Indianapolis Colts and the Miami Dolphins. He coached in six Super Bowls and won Super Bowls VII and VIII. To this day, no other coach has done what he did - lead a team to an undefeated record. as he did with the 17-0 Dolphins in 1972.

Shula was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1997, the first Blue Streak to achieve the feat.

Since then, a multitude of Blue Streaks have followed in his footsteps. Carl Taseff '51, Sil Cornachione '51, Dick Walker '55, Chuck Priefer '63, and Gary Stevens '65 continued the legacy. Taseff, Cornachione, and Stevens all worked for the Dolphins with Shula.

The pipeline sprung a host of Blue Streaks to the NFL when former NFL general manager Bill Polian sent his sons Brian and Chris to JCU. Chris '93 brought along Tom Telesco '95 and many other JCU alumni followed.

The New England Patriots became a bastion of Blue Streaks, with Josh McDaniels '99, Nick Caserio '98, and David Ziegler '00, '07G. All played a large role in helping the Patriots become a perennial Super Bowl contender.

Caserio departed for Houston and Ziegler headed to Vegas, giving JCU three general managers in the NFL. McDaniels joined his former roommate with the Raiders.

Former JCU coaches also thrive in the NFL. Brandon Staley served as JCU's Defensive Coordinator in 2013, 2014, & 2016, which propelled him to the the NFL as the head coach of the Chargers.



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## **GAME PREVIEW**

## **Blue Streaks Look to Celebrate Homecoming**

The Blue Streaks travel back home for Homecoming Weekend to take on a red-hot Wilmington College football team.

Last weekend, John Carroll Football traveled to Heidelberg and won in dominant style, 34-7. Head Coach Jeff Behrman '95 attributed the success to execution of the game plan, and keeping a balanced attack on offense. JCU ended the game with 448 total yards of offense, and 265 of the yards were through the air, while the rest were converted through the ground. The defense followed, adding four sacks and two interceptions after giving up a touchdown on the opening drive.

Wilmington enjoyed their homecoming weekend victory last week over Capital, 49-24. The win was fueled off an impressive offensive explosion by the Quakers, in which they accumulated 649 total yards on offense. Veteran quarterback Derek Larimer threw for five touchdowns, three in which wideout Lathan Jones was on the receiving end.

John Carroll has had Wilmington's number, winning 25 of the past 28 matchups against the Quakers and have won the last twelve contests. Last year, the Blue Streaks ventured to Wilmington and took care of business, winning 59-0. Running backs Evan McVay and Mason Sullivan led the charge on offense, rushing for 148 of the 375 total yards on the ground. The defense also held the Quakers to under 100 yards on offense.

## THE OFFENSES JCU

Offensive coordinator Travis James and the Blue Streaks will look to keep the same mentality as last week, and continue their multi-dimensional attack on offense.

Quarterback Joe Collins has been on an outstanding stretch of consistent play at the helm of the offense. He completed 24 of 30 attempts for 265 yards and three touchdowns last week. The graduate student from Grand Rapids has completed just under 70% of his passes this year. His efforts have been backed up by a strong offensive line, which has only allowed one sack on Collins all season.

Collins has quickly formed chemistry with recent transfer students Lucas D'Orazio. The former defensive back at Duquesne has easily transitioned into his new role as a tight end and had breakout performance last weekend. D'Orazio led the team in receptions and receiving yards against Heidelberg, hauling in six catches for 87 yards and a touchdown. Collins will also integrate wideouts Brennan Fugh and Tyler Mintz. Fugh caught five passes for 75 yards last weekend, while Mintz found the back of the endzone. A Wilmington team that allows 7.19 yards per pass will have their hands full with this trio.

Versatility has been a goal for this offense this year, and this has taken full effect in the running back stable. Last week, running backs Mason Sullivan, Evan McVay, and Matthew Buser virtually saw the field an equal amount of time. The committee rushed for 154 of the 183 yards on the ground against the Student Princes. The other way the halfbacks on this squad are becoming more dynamic is through the passing game. Between the three backs, they tallied nine catches for 79 yards and a touchdown. This group will continue its evolution against a Quaker defense that has allowed 152 rushing yards per game.

#### WILMINGTON

This is not your average Wilmington football team. Head Coach Corey Fillipovich has turned this squad into statistically one of the most electric offenses in all of D-III. The high power offense averages 49 points per game on an outstanding 541 yards per game. Their 26 touchdowns currently is tied for fifth in all of DIII.

Coming off his five touchdown performance last week, quarter-back Derek Larimer is looking to continue his hot start to the season. Larimer has accounted for over half of the Wilmington touchdowns, throwing for 16 in just four games, which currently ranks second in all of DIII. The Columbus native has thrown for 1094 yards this season, which is the 16th most in DIII.

On the other end of Larimer's passes is wide receiver Lathan Jones, who is on pace for setting all-time highs at Wilmington. Jones has already recorded 592 receiving yards, which is the third best in all of D-III. But his calling card is the fact that he always finds the endzone; the senior wideout already has 10 touchdowns on the season, which ranks first in DIII football. Along with being a threat to score at any given moment, Jones has the ability to rip off a big time play with ease. He averages just under 27 yards per reception on the season, which is good for seventh in D-III.

Wilmington is not one-dimensional, as the Quakers have one of the best running backs in the nation in Nehemiah Jenkins. The sophomore rusher currently leads all of NCAA DIII in rushing yards (538) and yards per game (145.8). His success is credited to how efficient he is on the ground. Jenkins averages six yards per carry, and is the perfect back to set up the passing game.

## THE DEFENSES JCU

John Carroll's defense has been a trademark for this squad in 2023. As a unit, the team has only given up one touchdown in each of the past two contests. They will be battle tested this weekend with a high-powered Wilmington offense.

Jake Phillips was a force to be reckoned with last weekend. The junior linebacker tallied two sacks and six total tackles, three in which resulted in a loss of seven yards. His disruption earned him a spot on the D3Football.com Team of the Week. Bricker Thiel was also consistently after the quarterback last week, adding a sack to the mix. This defensive front will need to step up in a big way to stop plenkins.

Junior linebacker Chris Golson, once again, found himself atop the statline against the Student Princes. The Streetsboro native totaled six tackles and added an interception last week. Jacob Hufnagel also had an interception last week. The freshman defensive back made his first college appearance last week, and will be heavily relied on moving forward throughout the season.

#### WILMINGTON

The Quakers may have one of the most electric offenses in the country, but they have faced their fair share of woes on defense this season. The defense unit, on average, has allowed 37.3 points per game in 2023.

Even with a struggling defense, their unique style could give the Blue Streaks trouble on offense. Coach Fillipovich runs a multiple defense (3-5-3), which features a three-safety configuration. This style gives Wilmington more flexibility on defense, and makes it challenging to identify coverages. JCU has yet to face a defense this season that features this type of front.

The player highlighted on every game plan is linebacker Jarod Lee. Lee is the key to the three safety configuration, as he plays a linebacker/safety hybrid role for the Quakers. The junior has 22 total tackles, two forced fumbles, and one interception on the season.

#### **SPECIAL TEAMS**

Yanni Volas knocked in two more field goals against Heidelberg, both coming from 30+ out. Volas has been the golden boot that coach Behrman has turned to when in a jam.



## DON SHULA STADIUM AT WASMER FIELD

Don Shula Stadium at Wasmer Field has a rich history. Dedicated on October 5, 1968. Wasmer Field was the first on-campus home of the JCU Athletics. Nearly 35 years later, on September 27, 2003, Don Shula Stadium was dedicated. The state-of-the-art facility bears the name of the late Don Shula '51, a former JCU football star and the most winningest NFL coach of all-time.

The 5.416-seat stadium hosts beautiful locker rooms, coaches offices, a weight room. training room, as well as equipment and storage areas. On gameday, fans can enjoy food and drink from its concession stand or check out the Shula Memorabilia Room, which holds artifacts from the lengthy, successful history of JCU Athletcs. The facility features a press box that can accommodate a large number of media members. Two coaches booths and a filming bay are on the second level of the press box.

In the summer of 2019, the turf was replaced and updated to match JCU's new athletic branding.

In addition, access to the home side dugout of Schweickert Field - the baseball facility - is also available. Shula Stadium continues to be utilized by a number of varsity and club teams. in addition to the intramural and recreational programs.

Since its birth in 1968, Wasmer Field has hosted thousands of games and multitudes of Blue Streaks. Many OAC Tournament and NCAA Tournament games have been held on its field, with JCU teams winning plenty of championships here over the years, most recently 2021 OAC Championships captured by the Men's Soccer team.

Great careers have began on its field, propelling people such as star NFL linebacker London Fletcher '98, Los Angeles Chargers General Manager Tom Telesco '95, Houston Texans GM Nick Caserio '98, Las Vegas Raiders GM Dave Ziegler '00, '07G, and many others to success.

## THE DON SHULA STADIUM AT WASMER FIELD FILE

Stadium Namesake: Field Namesake: Stadium Dedication: Wasmer Field Dedication:

Capacity:

Turf install date:

Home Record in 2022:

Record at Shula Stadium: Record on Wasmer Field:

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