LOUISIANA TECH
2026 BULLDOG FOOTBALL

3 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS | **15 BOWL APPEARANCES** | **3 NFL HALL OF FAMERS**

DATE/TIME: Saturday, Oct. 31
LOCATION: Hancock Whitney Stadium
SERIES HISTORY: LA Tech leads 2-1
STREAK: L1
LAST MEETING: Sept. 24, 2022 (L, 14-38 - Mobile)
MEDIA: ESPN+
TALENT: Malcolm Butler (PxP), Luke McCown (Analyst), Katy McCown (sideline)
RADIO: LA Tech Sports Network | LA Tech Athletics app
TALENT: Kyle Schassburger (pxp), Teddy Allen (analyst), Jerry Byrd (sideline)
STATS: LATechSports.com/Stats

BY THE NUMBERS

25 Eli Finley is the 25th Bulldog in program history with ***100 receptions*** and ***1,000 receiving yards*** in his Bulldog career

1 Jalen Mickens leads all Sun Belt pass catchers with 586 receiving yards and an 83.7 yards/game average, as well as one of three SBC receivers with at least 40 catches entering Week 9

1 Blake Baker enters Week 9 with the best passing efficiency rating (168.8) in the Sun Belt, as well as boasting the best TD:INT ratio (10-1) in the conference among qualifying quarterbacks

7 Louisiana Tech has seen seven different 100-yard receiving performances this season (Jalen Mickens 3x, Eli Finley 2x, Talyn Shettron, Marcus Calwise Jr.), which is the most among all Sun Belt programs through Week 8

A LA TECH WIN...

- Would be the program's third all-time win over South Alabama, first since 2018 and second win when playing in Mobile
- Would be Sonny Cumbie's 25th coaching win at LA Tech and 27th win of his career
- Would give LA Tech it's first 4-0 start in conference play since 2019, the fourth time since 2012 and the fifth occurrence since 1984
- Would extend LA Tech's winning streak to five games--the first such streak since 2019

LOUISIANA TECH BULLDOGS (5-2, 3-0 SBC)
Head Coach: Sonny Cumbie
Record at LA Tech: 24-33 (5th year)
Career Record: 26-36 (6th year)
Coaching Record vs. USA: 0-1

AT

SOUTH ALABAMA JAGUARS (4-3, 2-1 SBC)
Head Coach: Major Applewhite
Record at USA: 15-17 (3rd Year)
Career Record: 30-28 (6th Year)
Coaching Record vs. LA Tech: 0-0

BULLDOG STORYLINES AND LEADERS

• History was made (again) in Ruston during Homecoming Weekend, with Louisiana Tech pitching their first pair of consecutive shutouts since 1959--a season in which the Bulldogs had three separate back-to-back shutouts. The Tech defense was stout, once again, holding Old Dominion to under 150 total yards of offense, including -13 rushing yards. It marked the first time LA Tech held an opponent to negative rushing yards in a game since October 25, 2014--a 31-20 win over Southern Miss in Hattiesburg. With Amari Butler's interception, Tech now has 10-straight games forcing a turnover on its 32nd pick since the start of 2025. Zheric Hill led the team with 10 total tackles, along with matching Jadon Mayfield and Alonzo Jackson Jr. with 2.5 TFLs. 9 different Bulldogs contributed to 13 total team tackles for a loss. Mayfield (2.0), Jackson Jr. (1.5) and Justice Williams (1.5) also contributed to 5 of LA Tech's 6 team sacks.

• Jalen Mickens and Eli Finley have emerged as two of the best receiving targets in the Sun Belt. Mickens leads all pass catchers with 586 yards, followed by Eli Finley with the fourth-most receiving yardage at 462. They are the only receiving duo from the same school among the top five in receiving yards in the conference. Both Mickens and Finley are coming off 100-yard performances against Old Dominion, with it being Mickens' third such performance this year and the second for Finley in his last three games. Mickens leads all SBC receivers for the most 100-yard games this year, and Mickens and Finley are the only duo with multiple 100-yard games in the conference in 2026.

• Alonzo Jackson Jr. leads all SBC defenders with 12.5 TFLs this year, as well as being the only player with double-digit TFLs. He is also one of three SBC players with at least 6 sacks, sitting at 6.5 on the year. He leads a defense that ranks among the top 10 nationally in team TFLs, while his TFLs alone are tied for the third-most in FBS.



QB **BLAKE BAKER**
1160 PASSING YDs | 168.75 RATING | 12 TOTAL TDs



WR **JALEN MICKENS**
40 REC | 586 REC. YARDS | 5 TOTAL TDs



TE **ELI FINLEY**
39 REC | 462 REC. YARDS | 5 REC. TDs



LB **ALONZO JACKSON JR.**
49 TACKLES | 12.5 TFL | 6.5 SACKS | 3 HURRIES | 1 INT

2026 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

NORTHWESTERN STATE Sept. 5 W, 80-6	at LSU Sept. 12 L, 14-45	at BAYLOR Sept. 19 L, 19-36	ARMY Oct. 3 W, 31-29	UL-LAFAYETTE* Oct. 10 W, 32-31	at ULM* Oct. 17 W, 24-0	OLD DOMINION* Oct. 24 W, 26-0	at SOUTH ALABAMA* Oct. 31 2 p.m. CT ESPN+	at TROY* Nov. 7 3 p.m. CT ESPN+	SOUTHERN MISS* Nov. 14	ARKANSAS STATE* Nov. 21	at GEORGIA SOUTHERN* Nov. 28

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QUICK FACTS

UNIVERSITY

Location	Ruston, Louisiana
Founded	1894
Enrollment	12,145 (as of Spring 2026)
Nickname	Bulldogs
School Colors	Red and Blue
Conference	Sun Belt
President	Dr. Jim Henderson
Athletic Director	Ryan Ivey
SWA	Mary Kay Hungate
Primary Sport Administrator	Hunter Geisman
Faculty Athletic Rep	Dr. Donna Thomas
Athletics Website	LATechSports.com

TEAM

2025 Record	8-5
2025 CUSA Record	5-3 (5th)
Letterwinners R/L	42/36
Starters R/L	10/18
Newcomers	48

HISTORY

All-Time Record	660-512-38
First Year of Football	1901 (124th season)
Conference Championships	25
Last Conference Championship	2011 (WAC)
All-Time Bowl Record	9-5-1
Last Bowl Appearance	2025
	Independence Bowl (LA Tech 23, Coastal Carolina 14)
CUSA Record	54-40 (12 seasons)
CUSA Championship Record	0-2
Last CUSA Championship Appearance	2016
	Bowling Green, Ky. (LA Tech 44, WKU 58)

RADIO

Network	LA Tech Sports Network
General Manager	Brad Pietz
Office Phone	(318) 257-5331
Play-by-play	Kyle Schassburger
Analyst	Teddy Allen
Sideline	Jerry Byrd

MONDAY MEDIA PRESSERS

Head coach Sonny Cumbie and select student-athletes will meet with the media every Monday prior to a game. The press conference begins at Noon CT with Coach Cumbie and selected players. Video and audio of each presser will be uploaded to the LA Tech Athletics YouTube Channel.

PRACTICE COVERAGE

Practices this week will be closed to the media. Interviews are available upon request. All interview requests must be directed to the Louisiana Tech Strategic Communications Office at least 24 hours in advance. Please send all requests via email to featherston@latech.edu.

WEEKLY MEDIA AVAILABILITY

All interview requests should be made to George "GB" Brandon at least 24 hours in advance. All media availability times are subject to change. Please contact LA Tech Strategic Communications for any additional requests or changes in the schedule. (Note: First-year players are not available to the media unless by special request)

For games in Ruston, all Louisiana Tech postgame press conferences will be held after each game following a 10-minute cooling off period. No interviews will be allowed on the field with players and/or coaches immediately following games. Coach Cumbie and select Louisiana Tech players will be available in the LA Tech Team Room following games.

COACH/PLAYER AVAILABILITY

All members of the Louisiana Tech coaching staff are available during the designated days and times throughout the year. All returning players are available during the designated days and times, but newcomers are not available to the media unless under special request that access is granted.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Louisiana Tech fans can access the most in-depth information regarding all the University's programs through social media opportunities available online.

Twitter X – Members of the Louisiana Tech Strategic Communications department will be tweeting throughout the year with the latest news and in-game score updates. To follow them, simply find them on www.twitter.com.

@LATechFB – Direct reports from football practices and games

@LATechSports – General athletic department information

WE ARE LOUISIANA TECH

We are excited you are covering Louisiana Tech Football this season. In doing so, we ask that you please refer to us by our correct name and abbreviation. Thanks and go Bulldogs!

CORRECT > Louisiana Tech, LA Tech (pronounced Lah), Tech, Bulldogs or 'Dogs
INCORRECT > LT, LTU, La Tech, La. Tech or Dawgs

2-DEEP (GAME 8 AT SOUTH ALABAMA)

OFFENSE

QB		HT	WT	YR
5	Blake Baker	6-5	220	4th
2	Trey Kukuk	6-1	201	4th
7	Jackson Bradley	6-3	220	2nd

RB				
26	Dylone Brooks	5-10	200	2nd
1	Andrew Burnette	6-2	238	5th

TE				
84	Eli Finley	6-6	244	4th
87	Brayden Bockler	6-4	237	3rd

WR-X				
47	Jay Wilkerson	6-1	175	5th
6	Marcus Calwise Jr.	5-10	190	3rd
83	Carter Harris	6-4	190	1st

WR-H				
11	Jalen Mickens	5-9	187	2nd
3	Dedrick Latulas	5-7	165	4th
8	David Pierro	5-11	185	4th

WR-Z				
86	Talyn Shettron	6-2	195	5th
15	Luke Watkins	6-4	205	2nd

LT				
72	Hayden Christman	6-6	331	4th
57	Tadan Bingham	6-5	290	1st

LG				
79	Ashanti Cole	6-3	312	5th
74	Jamon Lee Jr.	6-3	300	4th

C				
60	Roy Brackins III	6-3	308	4th
56	Andrew Richard	6-3	304	3rd

RG				
53	Austin Ellis	6-4	305	3rd
66	Will Hutchens	6-3	305	4th

RT				
52	Troy Smith III	6-3	301	4th
58	Tye Hylton	6-5	290	3rd

DEFENSE

DE		HT	WT	YR
98	Donovan Rieman	6-4	265	5th
99	Judd Rouyea	6-2	267	4th
90	Jojo Odom	6-4	265	2nd

DT				
93	Jacob Bradford	6-1	290	3rd
OR				
54	Justice Williams	6-3	310	6th

DE				
11	Emmanuel Oguns	6-5	260	5th
92	Lane Condry	6-4	270	3rd
OR				
44	Kaleb Coleman	6-4	255	3rd

LB				
10	Kolbe Fields	6-0	225	6th
22	Jadon Mayfield	5-11	225	3rd

LB				
24	Alonzo Jackson Jr.	6-1	227	3rd
35	Cole Watson	6-0	220	3rd

LB				
21	Zheric Hill	6-0	230	2nd
40	Ayden Combs	6-2	220	1st

CB				
7	Janard Lockhardt	6-1	180	4th
3	Kameron Carter	6-1	175	4th

STAR				
16	Taeden Rogers	6-0	170	2nd
OR				
13	MJ Moultrie II	5-11	195	4th
27	Grayson Hardy	6-3	215	1st

FS				
0	Jordan McRae	5-11	180	3rd
20	Ty Jones	6-2	200	4th
5	Ahkhari Johnson	5-11	191	3rd

SS				
1	Sam Fongang	6-2	195	4th
4	Kam Franklin	6-2	211	4th
39	Jacoryian Crowe	5-10	175	3rd

CB				
2	Amari Butler	5-10	186	4th
17	Demario Bookhart	6-1	175	3rd

SPECIAL TEAMS

K		HT	WT	YR
31	Hunter Rioux	5-10	170	4th
38	Kaegan Kent	5-8	160	2nd

KO				
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P				
29	Lexington Matthews	6-3	196	4th

LS				
41	Ean Burch	6-0	215	6th
69	Trent Sims	6-3	210	3rd
OR				
59	Jake Riggs	5-11	188	3rd

PR				
3	Dedrick Latulas	5-7	165	4th
11	Jalen Mickens	5-9	187	2nd

KR				
3	Dedrick Latulas	5-7	165	4th
26	Dylone Brooks	5-10	200	2nd
5	Ahkhari Johnson	5-11	191	3rd

H				
29	Lexington Matthews	6-3	196	4th

NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Year	Hometown/Previous School
0	Jordan McRae	DB	5-11	180	3rd	McRae, Ga. / Georgia Military College
0	Jaden Miller	RB	6-0	202	4th	Miami, Fla. / Keiser
1	Sam Fongang	DB	6-2	195	4th	Mansfield,Texas / Tyler JC
1	Andrew Burnette	RB	6-2	238	5th	Stuart, Fla. / Keiser
2	Amari Butler	DB	5-10	186	4th	Petal, Miss. / Pearl River CC
2	Trey Kukuk	QB	6-1	201	4th	Mission Viejo, Cal. / Saddleback College
3	Kameron Carter	DB	6-1	175	4th	Natchez, Miss. / Southwest Mississippi CC
3	Dedrick Latulas	WR	5-7	165	4th	New Iberia, La. / Westgate HS
4	Kam Franklin	DB	6-2	211	4th	Oak Grove, La. / Oklahoma State
5	Blake Baker	QB	6-5	220	4th	Cypress, Texas / Cypress Ranch HS
5	Ahkari Johnosn	DB	5-11	191	3rd	Texarkana, Texas / Arkansas
6	Marcus Calwise Jr.	WR	5-10	190	3rd	Youngstown, Ohio / Eastern Kentucky
7	Jackson Bradley	QB	6-3	220	2nd	Oak Grove, La. / Oak Grove HS
7	Janard Lockhardt	DB	6-1	180	4th	Baltimore, Md. / Tyler JC
8	David Pierro	WR	5-11	185	4th	Fresno, Cal. / Diablo Valley CC
9	Joshua Brantley	TE	6-4	220	2nd	Ruston, La. / Tulane
10	Kolbe Fields	LB	6-0	225	6th	New Orleans, La. / LSU
11	Jalen Mickens	WR	5-9	187	2nd	Willis, Texas / Willis HS
11	Emmanuel Oguns	DL	6-5	260	5th	Alief, Texas / Tyler JC
13	MJ Moultrie II	DB	5-11	195	4th	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. / Hampton
13	Michael Kirby	QB	6-2	200	1st	Zachary, La. / Zachary HS
14	Brady Vodicka	QB	6-2	215	1st	Englewood, Colo. / Cherry Creek
14	Damien Richard II	DB	6-0	170	1st	Destrehan, La. / Destrehan HS
15	Luke Watkins	WR	6-4	205	2nd	Prosper, Texas / Wialnut Grove
15	Franklin Morgan Jr.	DB	5-10	170	1st	Amite, La. / Amite HS
16	Taeden Rogers	DB	6-0	170	2nd	Los Alamitos, Calif. / Golden West College
17	Dane Benedix	WR	6-0	195	4th	Mission Viejo, Calif. / Saddleback College
17	Demario Bookhart	DB	6-1	175	3rd	Spartunburg, S.C. / South Carolina State
18	Jaitlin Hampton	DB	5-11	170	3rd	Lancaster, Texas / Coastal Carolina
19	Mason Welch	QB	6-5	227	4th	Shreveport, La. / Kilgore JC
19	AJ Tarvin	DB	6-1	175	1st	Hattiesburg, Miss. / Hattiesburg HS
20	Ty Jones	DB	6-2	200	4th	Hollywood, Fla. / Norfolk State
20	Rayshun Hurt	RB	5-10	185	1st	San Antonio, Texas / Johnson HS
21	Zheric Hill	LB	6-0	230	2nd	Grambling, La. / Ruston HS
22	Jadon Mayfield	LB	5-11	225	3rd	Ruston, La. / Ruston HS
22	Demarcus Belton	RB	5-11	200	1st	Alvarado, Texas / Alvarado HS
23	Javari Lockhart	DB	6-1	170	2nd	Monroe, La. / Neville HS
23	Sergio Snider	RB	5-11	200	3rd	Fort Worth, Texas / Navarro College
24	Alonzo Jackson Jr.	LB	6-1	227	3rd	Haynesville, La. / Haynesville HS
24	Kenny Thomas	RB	5-9	170	1st	Stonewall, La. / North Desoto HS
25	Colton Deckhard	LB	6-2	220	3rd	Muenster, Texas / Muenster HS
26	Dylone Brooks	RB	5-10	200	2nd	Ruston, La. / Ruston HS
26	Nathan Green	DB	5-11	175	1st	Shreveport, La. / Huntington HS
27	Grayson Hardy	LB	6-3	215	1st	Sulphur Springs, Texas / Sulphur Springs HS
28	Jeremiah Smith	LB	6-1	220	1st	Katy, Texas / Katy HS
28	Harrison Williams	RB	6-0	185	2nd	Celina, Texas / Harding
29	Lexington Matthews	P	6-3	196	3rd	Atlanta, Ga. / Savannah State
30	Reuben Edwards	P	6-6	240	1st	Melbourne, Australia / Pro Kick Australia
31	Brayden Curry	WR	5-7	161	3rd	Shreveport, La. / Evangel Christian Academy
31	Hunter Rioux	K	5-10	170	4th	Austin, Texas / Butler CC
32	Emanual Collins	DB	5-11	170	1st	Youngsville, La. / Southside HS
33	Jaylon Parnell	LB	5-11	224	2nd	Pascagoula, Miss. / Pascagoula HS
35	Cole Watson	LB	6-0	220	3rd	Marshall, Texas / Tatum HS
36	Zander Hayes	LB	5-10	194	2nd	Ruston, La. / Ruston HS
36	Riley Small	RB	5-10	190	3rd	Gonzales, La. / University Lab
37	Zachary Jackson	LB	5-10	170	3rd	Monroe, La. / Neville HS
38	Kaegan Kent	K	5-8	160	2nd	Shreveport, La. / Evangel Christian Academy
39	Jacoryian Crowe	DB	5-10	175	3rd	Ruston, La. / Ruston HS
40	Ayden Combs	LB	6-2	220	1st	Cypress, Texas / Cypress Ranch HS
41	Ean Burch	LS	6-0	215	6th	Shreveport, La. / Loyola College Prep
41	Jake Kim	DB	5-11	175	1st	Englewood, Colo. / Cherry Creek HS
43	Justin Thomas	DB	5-11	165	1st	Blanchard, La. / Northwood HS
44	Kaleb Coleman	DL	6-4	255	4th	Trophy Club, Texas / East Texas A&M
45	Skylar Kirk	TE	6-3	235	1st	Aledo, Texas / Aledo HS
46	Daylin Page	DL	6-4	236	2nd	Hattiesburg, Miss. / North Forrest HS
46	Hunter Fox	K	6-1	186	1st	West Monroe, La. / West Monroe HS
47	Jay Wilkerson	WR	6-1	175	5th	Midlothian, Texas / Navarro College
48	Kaden McIver	DL	6-3	230	3rd	Oakland, Calif. / Diablo Valley CC
49	James Predtechenkis	LB	6-1	200	3rd	Richardson, Texas / Covenant Christian HS
50	Tazio Rosso	OL	6-1	271	2nd	St. Marys, Ga. / Camden County HS
51	Amery Edwards	DL	6-2	285	3rd	Alexandria, La. / Co-Lin CC
52	Troy Smith III	OL	6-3	301	4th	New Orleans, La. / St. Augustine HS
53	Austin Ellis	OL	6-4	305	3rd	Whitehouse, Texas / Bullard HS
54	Justice Williams	DL	6-3	310	6th	Tampa, Fla. / West Florida
56	Andrew Richard	OL	6-3	304	3rd	Central, La. / Central HS
57	Tadan Bingham	OL	6-5	290	1st	Houma, La. / Terrebonne HS
58	Tye Hylton	OL	6-5	290	3rd	Oviedo, Fla. / Florida State
59	Jake Riggs	LS	5-11	188	3rd	Dallas, Texas / Prestonwood Christian Academy
60	Roy Brackins III	OL	6-3	308	4th	Baton Rouge, La. / Woodlawn HS
61	Ervin Smith	OL	6-1	292	2nd	Baton Rouge, La. / Catholic HS
63	Kaleb Campbell	OL	6-7	305	1st	Lafayette, La. / Lafayette Christian Academy
66	Will Hutchens	OL	6-3	305	4th	Lindale, Texas / Sam Houston
69	Trent Sims	LS	6-3	210	3rd	Sanford, Fla. / FIU
72	Hayden Christman	OL	6-6	331	4th	Tioga, La. / Tioga HS
73	Jackson Speer	OL	6-5	280	1st	Shreveport, La. / Evangel Christian Academy
74	Jamon Lee Jr.	OL	6-3	300	4th	New Iberia, La. / Tyler JC
75	Jacob McRae	OL	6-5	285	1st	Allen, Texas / Allen HS
76	Cyler Corn	OL	6-4	314	3rd	Groesbeck, Texas / Groesbeck HS
77	Aric Adcock	OL	6-3	290	1st	Fort Worth, Texas / All Saints Episopical School
79	Ashanti Cole	OL	6-3	312	5th	Coushatta, La. / Grambling State
80	Deven Muniz	TE	6-3	223	4th	Covina, Calif. / Pasadena City College
81	William Mayes	TE	6-6	240	1st	Katy, Texas / Tompkins HS
82	Luke Seib	TE	6-4	220	4th	Blue Springs, Mo. / UTEP
83	Carter Harris	WR	6-4	190	1st	Allen, Texas / Allen HS
84	Eli Finley	TE	6-6	246	4th	Heath, Texas / Rockwall Heath HS
85	Johnny Casey Jr.	WR	5-9	165	1st	Shreveport, La. / Evangel Christian Academy
86	Talyn Shettron	WR	6-2	195	5th	Edmond, Okla. / Oklahoma State
87	Brayden Bockler	TE	6-4	237	3rd	San Juan Capistrano, Calif. / Saddleback CC
88	Johnnie Theil IV	WR	5-11	175	2nd	Destrehan, La. / Destrehan HS
89	Chase Grosfeld	WR	6-2	200	3rd	Cypress, Calif. / Cerritos College
90	Jojo Odom	DL	6-2	265	2nd	Parrish, Ala. / Jasper HS
91	Za'Qwaun Nunn	DL	6-1	285	1st	Houston, Texas / North Shore HS
92	Lane Condry	DL	6-4	270	3rd	Broken Arrow, Okla. / NE Oklahoma A&M
93	Jacob Bradford	DL	6-2	305	3rd	Pass Christian, Miss. / St. Stanislaus HS
94	Amari Wilks	DL	6-3	240	1st	Pearland, Texas / Pearland HS
96	Ashton Dawson	DL	6-2	285	1st	Shreveport, La. / Evangel Christian Academy
98	Donovan Rieman	DL	6-4	265	5th	Enid, Okla. / Kansas State
99	Judd Rouyea	DL	6-2	267	4th	St. Amant, La. / Catholic HS

COACHING STAFF

Name	Title	Experience (LA Tech)
Sonny Cumbie	Head Coach	5th Year
Dan Sharp	Assistant Head Coach/Special Teams	5th Year
Luke Olson	Defensive Coordinator	2nd Year
Nathan Young	Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks	5th Year
Lorenzo Joe	Wide Receivers	3rd Year
Teddy Veal	Running Backs	7th Year
Carlton Buckels	Defensive Pass Game Coordinator/Cornerbacks	2nd Year
Paul Randolph	Defensive Line	2nd Year
Josh Creech	Linebackers	2nd Year
Isaiah Graham	Wide Receivers	2nd Year
Dexter McCoil Sr	Safeties	1st Year
Vincent Johnson	Offensive Line	2nd Year
Cole Thomas	Inside WRs/Tight Ends	1st Year
Quin Jones	Assistant Linebackers/Edge Rushers	1st Year
Bobby Lawrence	Assistant Defensive Line	1st Year
Luke Ward	Assistant Quarterbacks	4th Year
Matt Weiner	Assistant Safeties	3rd Year
Jakari Foster	Assistant Safeties	1st Year
Bill Best	Run Game Coordinator	1st Year

SUPPORT STAFF

Name	Title
Hunter Geisman	Sport Administrator
Dave Scholz	Director of Football Sports Performance
Brian Mayper	Assistant A.D./Football Chief of Staff
Jacob Martinez	Assistant A.D./Football Operations
Jenna Latour	Director of On-Campus Recruiting/Player & Family Engagement
Evan Dauterive	Head Athletic Trainer
Ava Korinke	Athletic Trainer
Aimee Travis	Athletic Trainer
Leigha Presley	Director of Video Technology
Sophie Wideman	Academic Advisor
Brandon Dubuy	Assistant A.D./Equipment & Operations
Grant Saizan	Football Sports Performance Intern
Justin Apodaca	Director of Scouting
Sam Hackney	Assistant Director of Football Operations
Alex Hilty	Football Sports Performance Intern
George "GB" Brandon Jr.	Assistant A.D./Broadcasting & Football Media Contact
Drew Parsley	Associate Director/Strategic Communications

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

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77	Aric Adcock	OL	6-3	290	1st	Fort Worth, Texas / All Saints Episcopal School
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6	Marcus Calwise Jr.	WR	5-10	190	3rd	Youngstown, Ohio / Eastern Kentucky
63	Kaleb Campbell	OL	6-7	305	1st	Lafayette, La. / Lafayette Christian Academy
3	Kameron Carter	DB	6-1	175	4th	Natchez, Miss. / Southwest Miss. CC
85	Johnny Casey Jr.	WR	5-9	165	1st	Shreveport, La. / Evangel Christian Academy
72	Hayden Christman	OL	6-6	331	4th	Tioga, La. / Tioga HS
79	Ashanti Cole	OL	6-3	312	5th	Coushatta, La. / Grambling State
44	Kaleb Coleman	DL	6-4	255	3rd	Trophy Club, Texas / East Texas A&M
32	Emanual Collins	DB	5-11	170	1st	Youngsville, La. / Southside HS
40	Ayden Combs	LB	6-2	220	1st	Cypress, Texas / Cypress Ranch HS
92	Lane Condry	DL	6-4	270	3rd	Broken Arrow, Okla. / NE Oklahoma A&M
76	Cyler Corn	OL	6-4	314	3rd	Groesbeck, Texas / Groesbeck HS
39	Jacoryian Crowe	DB	5-10	175	3rd	Ruston, La. / Ruston HS
31	Brayden Curry	WR	5-7	161	3rd	Shreveport, La. / Evangel Christian Academy
96	Ashton Dawson	DL	6-2	285	1st	Shreveport, La. / Evangel Christian Academy
25	Colton Deckard	LB	6-2	220	4th	Muenster, Texas / Muenster HS
51	Amery Edwards	DL	6-2	285	3rd	Alexandria, La. / Copiah-Lincoln CC
30	Reuben Edwards	P	6-6	240	1st	Melbourne, Australia / Pro Kick Australia
53	Austin Ellis	OL	6-4	305	3rd	Whitehouse, Texas / Bullard HS
10	Kolbe Fields	LB	6-0	225	6th	New Orleans, La. / LSU
84	Eli Finley	TE	6-6	246	4th	Heath, Texas / Rockwall-Heath HS
1	Sam Fongang	DB	6-2	195	4th	Mansfield, Texas / Tyler JC
46	Hunter Fox	K	6-1	185	1st	West Monroe, La. / West Monroe HS
4	Kam Franklin	DB	6-2	211	4th	Oak Grove, La. / Oklahoma State
26	Nathan Green	DB	5-11	175	1st	Shreveport, La. / Huntington HS
89	Chase Grosfeld	WR	6-2	200	4th	Cypress, Calif. / Cerritos College
18	Jaitlin Hampton	DB	5-11	170	4th	Lancaster, Texas / Coastal Carolina
27	Grayson Hardy	LB	6-3	215	1st	Sulphur Springs, Texas / Sulphur Springs HS
83	Carter Harris	WR	6-4	190	1st	Allen, Texas / Allen HS
30	Zander Hayes	LB	5-10	194	2nd	Ruston, La. / Ruston HS
21	Zheric Hill	LB	6-0	230	2nd	Grambling, La. / Ruston HS
20	Rayshun Hurt	RB	5-10	185	1st	San Antonio, Texas / Johnson HS
66	Will Hutchens	OL	6-3	305	4th	Lindale, Texas / Sam Houston
58	Tye Hylton	OL	6-5	290	3rd	Oviedo, Fla. / Florida State
24	Alonzo Jackson Jr.	LB	6-1	227	3rd	Haynesville, La. / Haynesville HS
37	Zachary Jackson	DB	5-10	170	3rd	Monroe, La. / Ouachita Parish HS
5	Ahkhari Johnson	DB	5-11	191	3rd	Texarkana, Texas / Arkansas
20	Ty Jones	DB	6-2	200	4th	Hollywood, Fla. / Norfolk State
38	Kaegan Kent	K	5-8	160	2nd	Shreveport, La. / Evangel Christian Academy
41	Jake Kim	DB	5-11	175	1st	Englewood, Colo. / Cherry Creek HS
13	Michael Kirby	QB	6-2	200	1st	Zachary, La. / Zachary HS
45	Skylar Kirk	TE	6-3	235	1st	Aledo, Texas / Aledo HS
2	Trey Kukuk	QB	6-1	201	4th	Mission Viejo, Calif. / Saddleback College
3	Dedrick Latulas	WR	5-7	165	4th	New Iberia, La. / Westgate HS
74	Jamon Lee Jr.	OL	6-3	300	4th	New Iberia, La. / Tyler JC
7	Janard Lockhardt	DB	6-1	180	4th	Baltimore, Md. / Tyler JC
23	Javari Lockhart	DB	6-1	170	2nd	Monroe, La. / Neville HS
29	Lexington Matthews	P	6-3	196	4th	Atlanta, Ga. / Savannah State
81	William Mayes	TE	6-6	240	1st	Katy, Texas / Tompkins HS
22	Jadon Mayfield	LB	5-11	225	3rd	Ruston, La. / Ruston HS
48	Kaden McIver	DL	6-3	230	3rd	Oakland, Calif. / Diablo Valley College
75	Jacob McRae	OL	6-5	285	1st	Allen, Texas / Allen HS
0	Jordan McRae	DB	5-11	180	3rd	McRae, Ga. / Georgia Military College
11	Jalen Mickens	WR	5-9	187	2nd	Willis, Texas / Willis HS
0	Jaden Miller	RB	6-0	202	4th	Miami, Fla. / Keiser University
15	Franklin Morgan Jr.	DB	5-10	170	1st	Amite, La. / Amite HS
13	MJ Moultrie II	DB	5-11	195	4th	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. / Hampton
80	Deven Muniz	TE	6-3	223	4th	West Covina, Calif. / Pasadena City College
91	Za'Qwaun Nunn	DL	6-1	285	1st	Houston, Texas / North Shore HS
90	Jojo Odom	DL	6-4	265	2nd	Parrish, Ala. / Jasper HS
11	Emmanuel Oguns	DL	6-5	260	5th	Alief, Texas / Tyler JC
46	Daylin Page	DL	6-4	236	2nd	Hattiesburg, Miss. / North Forrest HS
33	Jaylon Parnell	LB	5-11	224	2nd	Pascagoula, Miss. / Pascagoula HS
8	David Pierro	WR	5-11	185	4th	Fresno, Calif. / Diablo Valley College
49	James Predtechenskis	LB	6-1	200	3rd	Richardson, Texas / The Covenant School
56	Andrew Richard	OL	6-3	304	3rd	Central, La. / Central HS
14	Damien Richard II	DB	6-0	170	1st	Destrehan, La. / Destrehan HS
98	Donovan Rieman	DL	6-4	265	5th	Enid, Okla. / Kansas State
59	Jake Riggs	LS	5-11	188	3rd	Dallas, Texas / Prestonwood Christian Academy
31	Hunter Rioux	K	5-10	170	4th	Austin, Texas / Butler CC
16	Taeden Rogers	DB	6-0	170	2nd	Los Alamitos, Calif. / Golden West College
50	Tazio Russo	OL	6-1	271	2nd	St. Marys, Ga. / Camden County HS
99	Judd Rouyea	DL	6-2	267	4th	St. Amant, La. / Catholic HS
82	Luke Seib	TE	6-4	220	4th	Blue Springs, Mo. / UTEP
86	Talyn Shettron	WR	6-2	195	5th	Edmond, Okla. / Oklahoma State
69	Trent Sims	LS	6-3	210	3rd	Sanford, Fla. / FIU
36	Riley Small	RB	5-10	190	3rd	Gonzales, La. / University Lab
61	Ervin Smith	OL	6-1	292	2nd	Baton Rouge, La. / Catholic HS
52	Troy Smith III	OL	6-3	301	4th	New Orleans, La. / St. Augustine HS
28	Jeremiah Smith	LB	6-1	220	1st	Katy, Texas / Katy HS
23	Sergio Snider	RB	5-11	200	3rd	Fort Worth, Texas / Navarro College
73	Jackson Speer	OL	6-5	280	1st	Shreveport, La. / Evangel Christian Academy
19	AJ Tarvin	DB	6-1	175	1st	Hattiesburg, Miss. / Hattiesburg HS
88	Johnnie Thiel IV	WR	5-11	175	2nd	Destrehan, La. / Destrehan HS
43	Justin Thomas	DB	5-11	165	1st	Blanchard, La. / Northwood HS
24	Kenny Thomas	RB	5-9	170	1st	Stonewall, La. / North Desoto HS
14	Brady Vodicka	QB	6-2	215	1st	Englewood, Colo. / Cherry Creek HS
15	Luke Watkins	WR	6-4	205	2nd	Prosper, Texas / Walnut Grove HS
35	Cole Watson	LB	6-0	220	3rd	Marshall, Texas / Tatum HS
19	Mason Welch	QB	6-5	227	4th	Shreveport, La. / Kilgore JC
47	Jay Wilkerson	WR	6-1	175	5th	Midlothian, Texas / Navarro College
94	Amari Wilks	DL	6-3	240	1st	Pearland, Texas / Pearland HS
28	Harrison Williams	RB	6-0	185	2nd	Celina, Texas / Harding
54	Justice Williams	DL	6-3	310	6th	Tampa, Fla. / West Florida

BY PRONUNCIATION

#1 Sam Fongang	FAWN-gang
#1 Andrew Burnette	Burr-net
#2 Trey Kukuk	Q-cuck
#3 Dedrick Latulas	Dedd-rick LAH-too-lus
#5 Ahkari Johnson	Like Atari with a K
#6 Marcus Calwise Jr.	CALL-wise
#7 Janard Lockhardt	JUH-nard
#8 David Pierro	PEE-air-oh
#11 Jalen Mickens	MICK-ins
#11 Emmanuel Oguns	OH-guns
#13 MJ Moultrie II	MOLE-tree
#14 Brady Vodicka	VAH-dick-uh
#14 Damien Richard II	RICH-urd
#16 Taeden Rogers	TAY-den
#17 Demario Bookhart	DUH-MAR-ee-oh Book-heart
#18 Jaitlin Hampton	JAYT-lin
#20 Rayshun Hurt	Ray-shin
#21 Zheric Hill	Eric with a Z
#22 Jadon Mayfield	Pronunced like Jaden
#23 Sergio Snider	Sir-GEE-oh
#24 Javari Lockhart	JUH-var-ee
#26 Dylone Brooks	DIE-lawn
#31 Hunter Rioux	Like Rio
#38 Kaegen Kent	KAY-gen
#39 Jacoriyan Crowe	Juh-CORE-ee-un
#41 Ean Burch	Like Ian
#46 Daylin Page	DAY-lin
#49 James Predtechenskis	Pred-uh-chins-kiss
#50 Tazio Rosso	TAZ-ee-oh ROSS-oh
#51 Amery Edwards	Aim-ur-ee
#56 Andrew Richard	REE-shard
#57 Tadan Bingham	TAY-dun BING-um
#58 Tye Hylton	Like Ty Hilton
#74 Jamon Lee Jr.	JAH-moan
#76 Cyler Corn	Like Kyler
#77 Aric Adock	Like Eric
#79 Ashanti Cole	Uh-SHAN-tee
#80 Deven Muniz	DEV-in Myoo-nez
#82 Luke Seib	Sybe
#86 Talyn Shettron	Talon (like an eagle talon) Shett-run
#88 Johnnie Thiel IV	Theel
#89 Chase Grosfeld	GRAHS-feld
#91 Za'Qwaun Nunn	Zay-qwan
#98 Donovan Rieman	Rye-man
#99 Judd Rouyea	Roo-yay
Matt Weiner	WINE-ur

BY LOCATION

ALABAMA (1)
Jojo Odom

CALIFORNIA (8)
Dane Benedix
Brayden Bockler
Chase Grosfeld
Trey Kukuk
Kaden McIver
Deven Muniz
David Pierro
Taeden Rogers

COLORADO (2)
Jake Kim
Brady Vodicka

FLORIDA (7)
Andrew Burnette
Tye Hylton
Ty Jones
Jaden Miller
MJ Moultrie II
Trent Sims
Justice Williams

GEORGIA (3)
Lexington Matthews
Jordan McRae
Tazio Russo

LOUISIANA (41)
Tadan Bingham
Roy Brackins III
Jackson Bradley
Joshua Brantley
Dylone Brooks
Ean Burch
Kaleb Campbell
Johnny Casey Jr.
Hayden Christman
Ashanti Cole
Emanual Collins
Jacoryian Crowe
Brayden Curry
Ashton Dawson
Amery Edwards
Kolbe Fields
Hunter Fox
Kam Franklin
Nathan Green
Zander Hayes
Zheric Hill
Alonso Jackson Jr.
Zachary Jackson
Kaegan Kent
Michael Kirby
Dedrick Latulas
Jamon Lee Jr.
Javari Lockhart
Jadon Mayfield
Franklin Morgan Jr.
Andrew Richard
Damien Richard II
Judd Rouyea
Riley Small
Ervin Smith
Troy Smith III
Jackson Speer
Johnny Thiel IV
Justin Thomas
Kenny Thomas
Mason Welch

MARYLAND (1)
Janard Lockhardt

MISSISSIPPI (6)
Jacob Bradford
Amari Butler
Kameron Carter
Daylin Page
Jaylon Parnell
AJ Tarvin

MISSOURI (1)
Luke Seib

OHIO (1)
Marcus Calwise Jr.

OKLAHOMA (3)
Lane Condry
Donovan Rieman
Talyn Shettron

SOUTH CAROLINA (1)
Demario Bookhart

TEXAS (32)
Aric Adcock
Blake Baker
Demarcus Belton
Kaleb Coleman
Ayden Combs
Cyler Corn
Colton Deckard
Austin Ellis
Eli Finley
Sam Fongang
Jaitlin Hampton
Grayson Hardy
Carter Harris
Rayshun Hurt
Will Hutchens
Ahkhari Johnson
Skylar Kirk
William Mayes
Jacob McRae
Jalen Mickens
Za'Qwaun Nunn
Emmanuel Oguns
James Predtechenskis
Jake Riggs
Hunter Rioux
Jeremiah Smith
Sergio Snider
Luke Watkins
Cole Watson
Jay Wilkerson
Amari Wilks
Harrison Williams

AUSTRALIA (1)
Reuben Edwards

BREAKDOWN

ROSTER BREAKDOWN (109)

Seniors/Graduates	33
Juniors	29
Sophomores	17
Freshmen	30

RETURNERS (60)

Starters (min. 4 starts)	11
Offense	8
Blake Baker, QB	
Trey Kukuk, QB	
Andrew Burnette, RB	
Jalen Mickens, WR	
Eli Finley, TE	
Roy Brackins III, OL	
Hayden Christman, OL	
Ashanti Cole, OL	
Defense	3
Kolbe Fields, LB	
Jadon Mayfield, LB	
Emmanuel Oguns, DL	

NEWCOMERS (48)

Offense	22
Defense	22
Specialists	4

STAFF CHART


Nathan Young
OC/QBs


Vincent Johnson III
OL


Teddy Veal
RB


Lorenzo Joe
WR


Dan Sharp
AHC/ST


Luke Olson
DC


Carlton Buckels
Def Pass GM
Coord/CB


Dexter McCoil Sr
S


Josh Creech
LB


Paul Randolph
DL



COACHING EXPERIENCE

Year	School/Team	Position
2009	San Angelo	Head Coach/Director of Player Personnel
2009	Texas Tech	Graduate Assistant
2010-12	Texas Tech	Inside Receivers Coach
2013	Texas Tech	Co-Offensive Coordinator/ORs Coach
2014-16	TCU	Co-Offensive Coordinator/QBs Coach
2017-20	TCU	Offensive Coordinator/QBs Coach
2021	Texas Tech	Offensive Coordinator/QBs Coach
2021	Texas Tech	Interim Head Coach
2022-Pres.	Louisiana Tech	Head Coach

PLAYING EXPERIENCE

Year	Team
2002-04	Texas Tech (NCAA)
2005*	Indianapolis Colts (NFL)
2006	Los Angeles Avengers (AFL)
2006*	Baltimore Ravens (NFL)
2007-08	Los Angeles Avengers (AFL)
2009	San Angelo Stampede Express (IFL)

** Offseason and/or practice squad member only*

BOWL EXPERIENCE

Year	Bowl	Final Score
2009	Cotton Bowl	Ole Miss 47, Texas Tech 34
2010	Alamo Bowl	Texas Tech 41, Michigan State 31
2011	TicketCity Bowl	Texas Tech 45, Northwestern 38
2012	Meineke Car Care Bowl	Texas Tech 34, Minnesota 31
2013	Holiday Bowl	Texas Tech 37, Arizona State 23
2014	Peach Bowl	TCU 42, Ole Miss 3
2015	Alamo Bowl	TCU 47, Oregon 41
2016	Liberty Bowl	Georgia 31, TCU 23
2017	Alamo Bowl	TCU 39, Stanford 37
2018	Cheez-It Bowl	TCU 10, California 7^{OT}
2021	Liberty Bowl	Texas Tech 34, Mississippi State 7
2024	Independence Bowl	LA Tech 6, Army 27
2025	Independence Bowl	LA Tech 23, Coastal Carolina 14

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name: Sonny Jack Cumbie
Born: August 8, 1981 in Abilene, Texas
College: Texas Tech University, 2004
Wife: Tamra of Snyder, Texas
Children: Gray Cumbie; Hays Cumbie



JOE AILLET STADIUM

STADIUM FACTS

Nickname: The Joe
Year opened: 1968
Capacity: 28,562
Playing Surface: Pivot 1.5 by Hellas
All-Time Record: 187-81-2
First Game: Sept. 28, 1968 vs. East Carolina (LA Tech 35, ECU 7)
First Touchdown: Buster Herren (LA Tech) 2-yard run vs. East Carolina, Sept. 28, 1968
First TD Pass: Terry Bradshaw (LA Tech) 5-yard pass to Buster Herren vs. East Carolina, Sept. 28, 1968
Longest Winning Streak: 18 twice (Nov. 20, 1971 - Oct. 11, 1975 | Oct. 14, 1989 - Oct. 30, 1993)
Most Points Scored by LA Tech: 80 on Sept. 5, 2026 (W, 80-6 vs. Northwestern State)
Largest Margin of Victory: 74 (LA Tech 80, Northwestern State, 6 on Sept. 5, 2026)

TOP DOG WATCHERS AT THE JOE

28,714	ULM	Sept. 13, 1997
28,100	Mississippi State	Sept. 9, 2007
27,905	Southern	Sept. 5, 2015
27,360	ULM	Dec. 13, 1999
26,910	UL-Lafayette	Oct. 3, 2015
26,004	Northwestern State	Sept. 20, 2014
25,614	Utah State	Nov. 17, 2012
25,224	Mississippi State	Aug. 30, 2008
25,212	Hawai'i	Oct. 2, 2011
24,975	ULM	Sept. 12, 1987
24,628	Houston	Sept. 17, 2011
24,450	ULM	Nov. 2, 1991
24,002	Northwestern State	Sept. 2, 2017

Note: Joe Aillet Stadium has hosted 54 games with crowds over 20,000.

Yearly Records

Year	Overall Record	Conf. Record
1968	3-1	1-1
1969	3-1	2-0
1970	1-3	0-2
1971	4-1	3-0
1972	4-0	2-0
1973	6-0	3-0
1974	5-0	2-0
1975	4-2	2-1
1976	2-1	1-1
1977	2-1-1	1-0-1
1978	4-1	3-0
1979	2-2	1-2
1980	2-2	1-2
1981	2-1-1	1-0-1
1982	5-1	1-0
1983	1-3	0-3
1984	4-1	3-0
1985	4-1	2-1
1986	2-1	1-1
1987	1-2	N/A
1988	2-4	N/A
1989	3-0	N/A
1990	5-0	N/A
1991	4-0	N/A
1992	4-0	N/A
1993	2-2	N/A
1994	2-3	N/A
1995	2-1	N/A
1996	3-1	N/A
1997	4-0	N/A
1998	4-1	N/A
1999	3-0	N/A
2000	2-2	N/A
2001	3-0	3-0
2002	2-1	2-1
2003	1-3	1-3
2004	3-1	2-1
2005	4-1	3-1
2006	2-3	1-3
2007	3-2	2-2
2008	5-1	3-1
2009	4-1	3-1
2010	2-4	2-2
2011	3-2	2-1
2012	4-1	2-1
2013	2-3	1-3
2014	4-1	4-0
2015	5-1	3-1
2016	5-0	4-0
2017	3-4	1-3
2018	3-2	2-2
2019	6-0	4-0
2020	3-1	2-1
2021	3-3	2-2
2022	3-2	2-2
2023	2-4	1-3
2024	4-2	3-2
2025	5-1	3-1
2026	4-0	2-0

DECADE OF RENOVATIONS TO THE JOE

Joe Aillet Stadium has changed a lot in its 50+ years of existence, especially in the last 10 years.

2015 | Davison Athletics Complex | $20 million
Three-story, 70,000-square foot end zone facility

2017 | Press Box/Suites | $16.7 million
Two-story, 30,000-square foot facility plus camera deck

2024 | Video board | $6.8 million
3,240-square foot end zone display with custom audio system

INSIDE THE MATCHUP

CATEGORY	LA TECH	FBS	USA	FBS
Total Offense	399.3	60	421.9	44
Rushing Offense	150.6	T-78	214.3	16
Passing Offense	248.7	45	207.6	T-91
Team Passing Eff.	158.49	24	139.70	64
Scoring Offense	32.3	46	35.1	33
Total Defense	323.4	36	414.6	120
Rushing Defense	125.4	47	161.7	96
Passing Yards Allowed	198.0	45	252.9	119
Team Passing Eff. Def.	119.91	34	153.32	128
Scoring Defense	21.0	T-44	32.4	123
Turnover Margin	0.86	T-14	1.00	9
3rd Down Conv. %	.454	32	.408	64
4th Down Conv. %	.462	97	.654	34
3rd Down Conv. % Def.	.371	60	.419	108
4th Down Conv. % Def.	.364	T-22	.444	T-39
Red Zone Offense	.774	114	.893	T-36
Red Zone Defense	.783	T-34	.848	79
Net Punting	38.95	82	37.38	110
Punt Returns	16.83	14	7.33	T-93
Kickoff Returns	19.69	73	25.58	20
First Downs Offense	146	81	152	T-62
First Downs Defense	127	T-37	144	T-76
Fewest Penalties PG	6.71	T-73	6.14	T-50
Fewest Penalty Yards PG	59.29	81	54.14	T-58
Time of Possession	30:43	53	32:42	17

INSIDE THE SERIES

LA Tech leads 2-1

In Ruston 1-0
In Norfolk 1-1
Neutral 0-0
Current Streak L1
Longest Win Streak ..... LA Tech - W2
Most LA Tech Points ..... 34 (W, 34-16 - Sept. 30, 2017 - Ruston)
Most USA Points ..... 38 (L, 14-38 - Sept. 24, 2022 - Mobile)
Most Combined Points ..... 56 (W, 30-26 - Sept. 1, 2018 - Mobile)
Biggest LA Tech Win ..... Sept. 30, 2017 (34-16 - Ruston)
Biggest USA Win ..... Sept. 24, 2022 (38-14 - Mobile)

SERIES SCORES

DATE	LOCATION	SCORE
2022	Mobile	L, 14-38
2018	Mobile	W, 30-26
2017	Ruston	W, 34-16

2026 LEADERS

LOUISIANA TECH LEADERS

RUSHING	ATT.	NET	AVG.	TD	YPG
ANDREW BURNETTE	85	349	4.1	1	49.9
TREY KUKUK	42	203	4.8	2	33.8
DYLONE BROOKS	19	175	9.2	2	35.0

PASSING	C-A-I	COMP %	YARDS	TD	YPG
BLAKE BAKER	96-133-1	72.2	1160	10	232.0
TREY KUKUK	49-75-2	65.3	467	3	155.7

RECEIVING	REC.	YARDS	AVG.	TD	YPG
JALEN MICKENS	40	586	14.7	3	83.7
ELI FINLEY	39	462	11.8	5	66.0
TALYN SHETTRON	18	243	13.5	1	34.7

DEFENSE	U-A-TT	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU
ALONZO JACKSON JR.	24-25-49	12.5	6.5	1	2
KOLBE FIELDS	13-32-45	7.5	1.0	0	0
JADON MAYFIELD	17-28-45	8.0	3.0	0	1

SOUTH ALABAMA LEADERS

RUSHING	ATT.	NET	AVG.	TD	YPG
KEENAN PHILLIPS	96	514	5.4	5	73.4
PJ MARTIN	106	470	4.4	7	67.1

PASSING	C-A-I	COMP %	YARDS	TD	YPG
JARED HOLLINS	68-125-3	54.4	1,003	7	167.2

RECEIVING	REC.	YARDS	AVG.	TD	YPG
BRENDAN JENKINS	25	430	17.2	3	61.4
ANTHONY EAGER	13	348	26.8	4	49.7
JEREMIAH JONES-THOMAS	23	266	11.6	1	38.0

DEFENSE	U-A-TT	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU
COLE BLAYLOCK	26-20-46	3.5	0	0	1
JORDAN WILLIAMS	12-24-36	1.0	1.0	0	2
DALLAS YOUNG	19-17-36	0.5	0	0	2

MATCHUP NOTES

- Saturday will be the fourth all-time meeting between Louisiana Tech and South Alabama, and the third time facing off in Mobile.
- Louisiana Tech won the first two meetings in Ruston and Mobile before falling to the Jaguars in their previous matchup at Hancock Whitney Stadium in head coach Sonny Cumbie's first season with the Bulldogs.
- The two programs will face off for the outright top spot in the SBC West Standings, with the Bulldogs currently 3-0 and the Jaguars 2-1. The Bulldogs are the only SBC team remaining that is unbeaten in conference play.
- This will be South Alabama head coach Major Applewhite's first career game coaching against Louisiana Tech.
- At least 50 combined points have been scored in all three meetings between the Bulldogs and the Jaguars.

SITUATIONALLY

SITUATION	2026	Cumbie
Playing at Joe Aillet Stadium	4-0	17-9
Playing on the road	1-2	5-23
Playing on a neutral field	0-0	1-1
Playing at night	4-1	16-19
Playing during the day	1-1	7-14
LA Tech scores on first possession	3-1	16-7
Opponent scores on first possession	2-1	4-12
LA Tech scores first	4-0	17-7
Opponent scores first	1-2	6-24
LA Tech leads after 1st quarter	2-0	17-8
Opponent leads after 1st quarter	0-1	3-20
Tied after 1st quarter	3-1	3-5
LA Tech leads at halftime	4-0	17-5
Opponent leads at halftime	0-2	4-18
Tied at halftime	1-0	2-1
LA Tech leads after 3rd quarter	4-0	19-2
Opponent leads after 3rd quarter	1-2	4-19
Tied after 3rd quarter	0-0	0-2
Game goes to overtime	0-0	1-6
LA Tech has more total yards	5-0	17-5
Opponent has more total yards	0-2	6-17
LA Tech has more rushing yards	3-0	17-4
Opponent has more rushing yards	2-2	7-28
LA Tech has more passing yards	5-0	13-20
Opponent has more passing yards	0-2	10-14
LA Tech has more turnovers	0-0	5-14
Opponent has more turnovers	5-0	18-10
Teams have equal turnovers	0-2	0-9
LA Tech has more penalties	3-0	10-13
Opponent has more penalties	2-2	11-13
Teams have equal penalties	0-0	2-5
LA Tech has more time of possession	3-1	16-15
Opponent has more time of possession	2-1	7-19
LA Tech has 100-yard rusher	1-0	10-3
Opponent has 100-yard rusher	1-0	4-13
LA Tech scores at least 20 points	5-0	21-18
Opponent scores at least 20 points	2-2	7-30
LA Tech throws for 300 yards	2-0	5-7
Opponent throws for 300 yards	0-1	3-4
Playing on natural grass	0-1	0-7
Playing on artificial surface	5-1	23-27
LA Tech defense scores	0-1	11-2
Opponent defense scores	0-0	1-5

BULLDOG NOTES

ELI FOR 1K

Fourth-year tight end Eli Finley eclipsed 100 career receptions as well as 1,000 career receiving yards following his dominant performance on Oct. 24 against Old Dominion. He is the 25th Bulldog in program history to reach both milestones, and the first to do so since Tru Edwards (2022-24).

DEFENSE PITCHING GOOSE EGGS

For the first time since 1959, Louisiana Tech has consecutive shutouts following a 24-0 win at ULM and a 26-0 win over Old Dominion for Homecoming in Ruston. During that 1959 season, LA Tech had three separate occasions of shutting out opponents in back-to-back games.

LET BLAKE BAKE

Quarterback Blake Baker is off to a strong start in conference play, with 800 passing yards on a completion rate of 77.3% and an efficiency rating of 167.00, 10 total touchdowns and no turnovers. He had a career day in the program's first-ever Sun Belt game with 319 passing yards on a career-best 76.2% completion rate (min. 25 attempts) along with 3 passing touchdowns and 1 rushing score. It was just the second time in his career with 300+ passing yards and the first time to do so along with multiple passing touchdowns. His three scores through the air tied his career high from the season-opening win over Northwestern State and his 54 rushing yards marked a season high for the Cypress, Texas native.

Baker continued to dominate through the air, posting his third game of the season (and his career) with 300+ passing yards and his third consecutive game with multiple touchdowns and no turnovers. His 82.4% completion rate is a new single-game career high for the Cypress, Texas native, who leads all SBC quarterbacks with a 77.3% completion rate and is among the top 2 in average passing yards per game (266.7) and passer efficiency (167.0) in SBC-only contests this year.

SPREADING THE WEALTH

Over the past three weeks, Lousiana Tech has seen five separate 100-yard receving performances, two of which were during the Bulldogs' inaugural Sun Belt win over the Ragin' Cajuns of UL-Lafayette and two more in LA Tech's shutout victory over Old Dominion. Eli Finley (9 rec., 114 yards, 2 TD) and Talyn Shettron (8 rec., 102 yards) were the duo in the SBC opener, followed with Marcus Calwise Jr. (8 rec., 119 yards) putting on a show against ULM in Monroe on Oct. 17. Calwise Jr.'s performance set new single-game career highs in catches and yardage, as well as giving Tech it's SBC-leading fifth 100-yard receiving game by four different receivers, which is also the most for a single team in the conference. It is also the first time since 2022 the Bulldogs have at least four different receivers with a 100-yard receiving performance through the first six games (Cyrus Allen at Missouri; Griffin Hebert at No. 4 Clemson; Tre Harris vs. UTEP; Smoke Harris at North Texas).

The Bulldogs followed with a pair of 100-yard receiving performances by Mickens (8 rec., 110 yds) and Finley (10 rec., 128 yds, 1 TD) in LA Tech's 26-0 win over Old Dominion. Finley is the first SBC pass catcher to eclipse double-digit receptions in a single game this season, and Mickens leads the conference with three 100-yard performances. Mickens and Finley are the only duo in the Sun Belt with multiple such performances for one team, with the Bulldogs leading the conference with seven 100-yard performances by their receivers.

TECH #TAKERS

The Bulldogs have 10 consecutive games forcing a turnover dating back to the 2025 season, with 17 interceptions and four fumble recoveries in that span. LA Tech also has a turnover forced in 18 of their last 20 games since the start of last year. Among those contests, the Bulldogs have forced multiple turnovers in 10 of them. Since the start of 2025, the Bulldogs have picked off opponents on 32 separate occasions along with six fumble recoveries. Since the start of 2025, the Bulldogs have nine games with multiple interceptions--tied with Notre Dame for the most in the country over that span.

SWARMING DEFENSE

Louisiana Tech's defense enters Week 9 tied for the Sun Belt lead with 10 interceptions, a conference-best 8.6 TFLs/game and 60 total team TFLs for the second-most. The Bulldogs also lead the Sun Belt in passing defense (198.0 yds/game) and in conference-only contests, lead the league in total defense (256.0), scoring defense (10.33), rushing defense (70.0) and defensive passing efficiency (102.5), and are tied for the most interceptions (5). Overall, the Bulldogs are among the top 2 in the Sun Belt this season in total defense (323.43), scoring defense (21.0) and rushing defense (125.43). Alonzo Jackson leads the SBC with 12.5 TFLs, 6.5 sacks and an average of 1.79 TFLs/game. Janard Lockhardt (8) and Jordan McRae (7) are amongst the top 5 in the league in passes defended.

NO FLY ZONE

Janard Lockhardt has proven to be one of the top defensive backs statistically in the country, with his 1.14 PBUs/game currently tied for the 13th-best rate in FBS, and his eight total

breakups among the top 10 in the country. Jordan McRae is one of four SBC defensive backs with at least three INTs thus far, and is the only player in the league with 100+ return yards and an interception returned for a touchdown this season. The top two players in interception return yardage (McRae, Kam Franklin) reside in Ruston. The Bulldogs are also one of 3 SBC teams with multiple players having multiple picks thus far.

STRONG RECEIVING CORE

LA Tech saw three receivers with 90+ receiving yards in the same game for the first time since the 2015 New Orleans Bowl on Saturday. Eli Finley had a game-high 114 receiving yards with two touchdowns for his second career game with 100+ yards receiving, following with Talyn Shettron (8 rec., 102 rec. yards) and Jalen Mickens (9 rec., 92 rec. yards, 1 TD). Mickens set a new single-game career high with his nine catches, and Shettron posted his first 100-yard receiving game as a Bulldog and the second of his collegiate career. Finley and Shettron are also the first receiving duo to post 100 receiving yards each in the same game since Smoke Harris (129) and Cyrus Allen (103) at Middle Tennessee on October 10, 2023.

FLIPPING THE FIELD

Punter Lexington Matthews's average of 45.6 yards per punt ranks as the second-longest average in the Sun Belt entering Week 8 of the 2026 season. His 67-yard punt against ULL is tied for the third-longest punt in the conference this season, along with his seven punts of 50+ yards tied for the second-most in the SBC.

KEEPING TRADITION IN NEW ERA

Louisiana Tech opened up the Sun Belt era with a fourth-quarter comeback to down in-state rival UL-Lafayette, 32-31, in the program's first-ever SBC game at Joe Aillet Stadium. It was the 49th all-time win over the Ragin' Cajuns as well as the ninth-straight win since 1997. The Bulldogs also extend their winning streak at home to five games.

GETTING TRICKY

The Bulldogs have two trick passing plays that have been executed to perfection. In the season opener, tight end Joshua Brantley had a 16-yard touchdown pass to Talyn Shettron vs. Northwestern State on Sept. 5. On Oct. 3 vs. Army, quarterback Trey Kukuk threw a lateral pass to the right side of the field to Marcus Calwise Jr., who then reared back and fired a pass back across to the left sideline and found a running Dylone Brooks in stride for a 74-yard touchdown.

BROOKS BOOKIN' IT

Dylone Brooks had a career night against Army on Oct. 3. The second-year running back racked up 200 all-purpose yards to become the first Bulldog to do so since Smoke Harris had 208 all-purpose yards on Oct. 5, 2023 vs. WKU. He is also the first 100-yard rusher this season for LA Tech, ending the game with 119 rushing yards and 81 receiving. Majority of his yardage came on two plays--a 72-yard rushing touchdown after getting through a pile of defenders, and a 74-yard touchdown reception on a trick play pass from wide receiver Marcus Calwise Jr.

HOME FIELD ADVANTAGE

Louisiana Tech enters Saturday riding a four-game winning streak when playing at Joe Aillet Stadium, with their last loss at home being a heartbreaking 28-27 final in overtime to Western Kentucky. Since the start of 2024, the Bulldogs are 11-3 at Joe Aillet Stadium.

MICKENS STOCK RISING

Jalen Mickens has quickly emerged as a top receiving target for Louisiana Tech through four games, with his 342 receiving yards and his 85.5 receiving yards per game both pacing all Sun Belt receivers through Week 5. He is also one of four Sun Belt receivers with 20+ catches and 300+ yards thus far in the season, and the only Sun Belt receiver with multiple 100-yard receiving performances this year.

PICK SIX U

Since 2017, Louisiana Tech has been the country's top team when returning interceptions for a touchdown. Since October 1, 2017, the Bulldogs have seen 24 interceptions returned for six points, leading all of FBS in that span which includes some notable programs such as Utah (22), Pitt (22), Alabama (19) and Notre Dame (18).

HONOR THE STARS & STRIPES

Saturday's game vs. Army will be Military Appreciation Day and Legends Day at Joe Aillet Stadium, honoring and celebrating all those that have served in the armed forces, past and present. In celebration of this special game day, the Bulldogs will wear their red Stars & Stripes helmet, blue jersey and white pants against the Black Knights.

DO-IT-ALL 'DOGS

LA Tech has consecutive games with two Bulldogs posting 100 all-purpose yards with Jalen Mickens (164 in Week 1, 101 in Week 2) doing so in each of Tech's first two games. Dedrick Latulas (107) was alongside Mickens in Week 1, while Jordan McRae (100) was the second Bulldog with triple-digit all-purpose yards in Week 2. It is the first time in the Sonny Cumbie era to start the season with multiple 100 all-purpose-yard players through the first two games of the season, and the first time it has happened since 2017--Teddy Veal (126), Boston Scott (110) and Jarred Craft (103) acheived the feat in Week 1 against Northwestern State, followed with Marcus Gaines (104) and Scott (104) in Week 2 against Mississippi State.

MAGIC MICKENS

WR Jalen Mickens has back-to-back games with 100 receiving yards and a score to start the 2026 campaign, becoming the first Bulldog to do so since Tru Edwards in 2024. Mickens ended Week 2 at LSU with a team-high 6 receptions and 101 yards, icluding a 67-yard touchdown reception in the fourth quarter against the Tigers.

ALONZO IN THE ZONE

Linebacker Alonzo Jackson Jr. made a statement on the defensive side in front of a crowd of 100,000+ at Tiger Stadium, recording the second-most tackles on the team with 12 and leading with 3 sacks and 3.5 total tackles for a loss. The third year Bulldog leads all Sun Belt players with 5.0 TFLs and is tied for the most sacks at 3.0 thus far. His sack and TFL totals also rank among the top 5 in FBS.

MCRAE MAKING HISTORY

DB Jordan McRae made program history against LSU on Saturday, returning a goal-line interception all the way back for a 100-yard pick six in Tiger Stadium. It is the longest interception or fumble return in program history, and McRae is the first player in 2026 with a 100-yard interception return after there were four recorded last year at the FBS level. The third year Bulldog posted a game-high 13 tackles which was also a new single-game career high, and his interception was the second pick six of his career--had an 83-yard interception return for a touchdown his freshman year at Georgia Military College.

WEEK 1 DOMINANCE

The Bulldogs outgained Northwestern State 528-129, giving the Bulldogs their lowest total yardage allowed in a game since allowing 142 to New Mexico State on Oct. 17, 2009. Tech's 528 yards are also the most in a season opener since recording 587 total yards of offense on Sept. 5, 2015 in a 62-15 win over Southern at Joe Aillet Stadium

NEW 'DOGS ON THE FIELD

Among the 22 starters for Louisiana Tech in the Sept. 5 season opener, just three players have at least 10 starts in their Bulldog career with Hayden Christman being the only starter with at least 25 starts at LA Tech.

YOU GET SIX! YOU GET SIX!

There were several firsts for Louisiana Tech in their 80-6 win, including the first time with 11-straight touchdown drives and 63 points in a half of play in program history. Along with the high team numbers, there were also several players to score their first touchdown as a Bulldog. First FBS touchdowns belong to Dylone Brooks, Sergio Snider, Dedrick Latulas, Joshua Brantley (passing TD) and Luke Watkins. Jaden Miller and Talyn Shettron brought in their first touchdowns as Bulldogs, with Miller scoring on the ground and Shettron scoring with a receiving score and a rushing score. Shettron is the first Bulldog with a receiving TD and a rushing TD in the same game since Greg Garner on Sept. 11, 2021 vs. Southeastern LA (2 rushing, 1 receiving). Eli Finley and Jay Wilkerson also registered their first touchdown receptions since 2024.

MICKENS ON THE MOVE

Jalen Mickens started the 2026 season off with a 75-yard touchdown reception on the first offensive play of the season, ending the game with 164 all-purpose yards and 133 receiving yards. Mickens is the first Bulldog with 100+ receiving yards in a game since Marlion Jackson (vs. WKU) and Eli Finley (vs. Southern Miss) in 2025.

YEAR TWO LUKE

Second-year defensive coordinator Luke Olson looks to build off success from his first year in 2025, when his defense saw the most defensive touchdowns and second-most interceptions in the country. The Bulldog defense also ranked in the top 10 nationally in 4th down conversion percentage (.500), red zone defense (.718) and total turnovers (25). There is a wealth of experience returning for Olson, including linebackers Kolbe Fields, Zheric Hill, Jadon Mayfield and Alonzo Jackson Jr. Veterans Donovan Rieman and Judd Rouyea look to lead the front line for Olson's defense, while some fresh legs in the secondary feature Sam Fongang, Kam Carter, Amari Butler and Jordan McRae.

NEW LOOK IN THE BACKFIELD

With the departure of Clay Thevenin and Omiri Wiggins to the transfer portal following the 2025 season, LA Tech had some holes to fill. Along with having to replace the team's leading rusher, it was also vital for Sonny Cumbie to find a way to fill the hole of losing the team leader in rushing touchdowns in Andrew Burnette. In doing so, the Bulldogs brought in Jaden Miller, a stand-out running back who transferred in from Keiser. During his time with the Seahawks, Miller was named First Team All-Sun Conference and is coming off a stellar season with 1,127 yards and 18 touchdowns on the ground, becoming the fourth player in Keiser program history to rush for 1,000 yards. He tied for the most rushing touchdowns in a single game with four, and his 24 career touchdowns on the ground at Keiser rank fourth all-time. Through the air, Miller caught 15 passes for 120 yards last year after averaging 20.5 YPC in 2024 with six receptions for 123 yards and two touchdowns.

FINLEY'S FINAL AUDITON

In what has been a very busy offseason for LA Tech tight end Eli Finley, with fall camp and many NFL scouts coming to see the sought-after TE. Eli still has a big season ahead of him--he comes into the season just 35 receptions shy of 100 career catches and 232 receving yards shy of 1,000 for his career. Last year he led the team in receving yards and had a 155-yard game against rival Southern Miss, which earned him the John Mackey Tight End of the week honor. That game was also the first 100-yard receving game from a LA Tech tight end since Dennis Morris in 2009.

THE KUKUK ARMY KNIFE?

After showcasing his dual-threat talents, head coach Sonny Cumbie and Nathan Young have a different gameplan in mind for quarterback Trey Kukuk in 2026. Kukuk was one of two LA Tech players to rush for 600 yards last year, finding the end zone five times and ending the year with three 100-yard rushing games in the last three games, including a career-high 172 rushing yards in a 42-30 win at Missouri State.

ALL-AMERICAN STAFF

Former Louisiana Tech safety Jakari Foster joins the 2026 coaching staff after being named an AP First Team All-American and a Water Camp Second Team All-American, as well as Second Team All-CUSA honors. Foster's eight interceptions were tied for the second-most in a single season in program history and were the most by a Bulldog since 1995. His eight picks also led the country, with one of them returned for a touchdown to contribute to the team's FBS-best seven defensive touchdowns in 2025. Foster will assist first-year safeties coach Dexter McCoil Sr.

WHEN DOES CLASS START?

Louisiana Tech is the only university in the Sun Belt on a quarter system and one of just seven FBS schools that are currently on the quarter system schedule.

FBS Schools on Quarter System

Conference	
Louisana Tech	Sun Belt
Northwestern	Big 10
Oregon	Big 10
Oregon State	PAC-2
Stanford	ACC
UCLA	Big 10
Washington	Big 10

SUN BELT STANDINGS

	Overall	SBC
EAST		
James Madison	7-1	4-1
App State	5-2	2-1
Georgia Southern	3-4	2-1
Georgia State	4-3	1-2
Marshall	4-3	1-2
Coastal Carolina	2-5	1-2
Old Dominion	2-6	1-4
WEST		
Louisiana Tech	***5-2***	***3-0***
South Alabama	4-3	2-1
UL-Lafayette	5-3	2-2
Arkansas State	4-4	2-2
Troy	3-4	1-2
Southern Miss	2-5	1-2
ULM	1-6	1-2

UPCOMING SBC SLATE

THURSDAY, OCT. 29

Troy at James Madison - 6:30 p.m. CT

SATURDAY, OCT. 31

Marshall at Old Dominion - 12:00 p.m. CT

Coastal Carolina at Georgia State - 1:00 p.m. CT

Louisiana Tech at South Alabama - 2:00 p.m. CT

Southern Miss at ULM - 2:30 p.m. CT

App State at Georgia Southern - 5:30 p.m. CT

AGAINST SUN BELT

OPPONENT	RECORD
Arkansas State	26-12
App State	0-0
Coastal Carolina	1-0
Georgia Southern	0-1
Georgia State	0-0
James Madison	0-0
Marshall	1-3
Old Dominion	1-2
South Alabama	2-1
Southern Miss	18-36
Troy	0-0
UL-Lafayette	49-33-6
ULM	31-13
TOTAL	**129-101-6**

HONORS & AWARDS

PRESEASON ACCOLADES

Eli Finley

2026 Preseason All-SBC Second Team Offense

2026-27 Allstate/AFCA Good Works Team Nominee

2026 Shriner's Childrens East-West Bowl 1000 Watchlist

2026 John Mackey Award Watchlist

HERO Sports Preseason Group of Six First Team All-American

2026 Panini Senior Bowl Top 300

Kolbe Fields

2026 Preseason All-SBC First Team Defense

2026 Chuck Bednarik Award Watchlist

IN-SEASON AWARDS

September 7, 2026

Dedrick Latulas - SBC Special Teams Player of the Week

October 13, 2026

Blake Baker - SBC Offensive Player of the Week; Week 6 Manning Star of the Week; Davey O'Brien Week 6 Great Eight; Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award POTW Honorable Mention; Frisco Bowl Week 6 Player of the Week

Eli Finley - Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award POTW Honorable Mention

October 27, 2026

Eli Finley - Week 8 John Mackey Award Player of the Week; Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award POTW Honorable Mention

UNIFORM TRACKER

Helmet-Jersey-Pants	Record
White-White-White	16-16
Last worn | Nov. 15, 2025 at Wazzu	
White-White-Blue	7-11
Last worn | Sept. 19, 2026 at Baylor	
White-White-Red	0-4
Last worn | Nov. 8, 2025 at Delaware	
White-Blue-White	20-5
Last worn | Oct. 10, 2026 vs. ULL	
White-Blue-Blue	7-6
Last worn | Oct. 17, 2026 at ULM	
White-LT Blue-White	3-0
Last worn | Sept. 5, 2026 vs. Northwestern State	
White-Red-White	8-1
Last worn | Nov. 30, 2024 vs. Kennesaw State	
White-Red-Red	1-2
Last worn: Sept. 6, 2025 at. LSU	
Red-White-White	3-8
Last worn | Oct. 10, 2023 at Middle Tennessee	
Red-White-Blue	2-7
Last worn | Sept. 12, 2026 at LSU	
Red-White-Red	2-5
Last worn | Oct. 9, 2024 at Kennesaw	
Red-Red-Red	3-4
Last worn | Sept. 20, 2025 vs. Southern Miss	
Red-Red-White	2-0
Last worn | Sept. 26, 2015 vs. FIU	
Red-Blue-Blue	2-1
Last worn | Sept. 8, 2018 vs. Southern	
Red-Blue-White	5-1
Last worn | Oct. 24, 2026 vs. Old Dominion	
Red-LT Blue-White	0-2
Last worn | Oct. 24, 2023 vs. New Mexico State	
Blue-Blue-White	1-0
Last worn | Oct. 10, 2024 vs. MTSU	
Blue-Whte-Blue	0-1
Last worn | Oct. 15, 2024 at. New Mexico State	
Blue-Blue-Blue	0-1
Last worn | Oct. 21, 2025 vs. WKU	
Black-Black-Black	2-0
Last worn | Dec. 30, 2025 vs. Coastal Carolina	

NOTABLE DEBUTS

All Black	Oct. 31, 2025
Blue helmet	Oct. 10, 2024
Tech script helmet	Aug. 31, 2024
LT Blue throwback jerseys	Oct. 22, 2022
White helmet	Oct. 25, 2014
Stars & Stripes helmet	Sept. 28, 2013
White Helmet (LT Blue State T)	Sept. 5, 2026



51-41



7-3



2-0



11-24



0-2



7-2



1-2



2-0



1-0

PRO DOGS (BULLDOGS IN THE NFL)











LA TECH BOWL HISTORY

1977 INDEPENDENCE BOWL
LA Tech 27, Louisville 14

1978 INDEPENDENCE BOWL
East Carolina 35, LA Tech 13

1990 INDEPENDENCE BOWL
LA Tech 34, Maryland 34

2001 HUMANITARIAN BOWL
Clemson 49, LA Tech 24

2008 INDEPENDENCE BOWL
LA Tech 17, Northern Illinois 10

2011 POINSETTIA BOWL
TCU 31, LA Tech 24

2014 HEART OF DALLAS BOWL
LA Tech 35, Illinois 18

2015 NEW ORLEANS BOWL
LA Tech 47, Arkansas State 28

2016 ARMED FORCES BOWL
LA Tech 48, Navy 45

2017 FRISCO BOWL
LA Tech 51, SMU 10

2018 HAWAII BOWL
LA Tech 31, Hawaii 14

2019 INDEPENDENCE BOWL
LA Tech 14, Miami (Fla.) 0

2020 NEW ORLEANS BOWL
Georgia Southern 38, LA Tech 3

2024 INDEPENDENCE BOWL
Army 27, LA Tech 6

2025 INDEPENDENCE BOWL
LA Tech 23, Coastal Carolina 14



TERRY BRADSHAW
LA TECH (1966-69)
PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME 1989

WILLIE ROAF
LA TECH (1989-92)
PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME 2012

FRED DEAN
LA TECH (1971-74)
PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME 2008







THE LAST TIME...

LA TECH INDIVIDUAL

OFFENSE

Rushed for 100 yards....121, Trey Kukuk vs. Coastal Carolina (12/30/25)
Rushed for 200 yards....207, Kenneth Dixon vs. Southern Miss (11/9/13)
Rushed for 3 touchdowns....3, Trey Kukuk at Missouri State (11/29/25)
Rushed for 4+ touchdowns....4, Marcus Williams Jr. vs. Charlotte (11/13/21)
Had a 70-yard run from scrimmage....98, Andrew Burnette at Missouri State (11/29/25)
Had an 80-yard run from scrimmage....98, Andrew Burnette at Missouri State (11/29/25)
Had 20 carries....***20, Andrew Burnette vs. Old Dominion (10/24/26)***
Had 25 carries....29, Marcus Williams Jr. vs. Charlotte (11/13/21)
Had 30 carries....37, Israel Tucker at North Texas (12/3/20)
Passed for 300 yards....***303, Blake Baker vs. Old Dominion (10/24/26)***
Passed for 400 yards....424, Parker McNeil at North Texas (10/15/22
Passed for 500 yards....502, Ryan Higgins at WKU (12/3/16)
Threw for 3 touchdowns....***3, Blake Baker vs. ULL (10/10/26)***
Threw for 4+ touchdowns....5, Evan Bullock vs. Middle Tennessee (10/10/24)
Had a 70-yard pass from scrimmage....***75, Blake Baker vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)***
Had 30 completions....***32, Blake Baker vs. ULL (10/10/26)***
Had 35 completions....36, Ryan Higgins at Middle Tennessee (9/24/16)
Had 40 completions....44, Colby Cameron vs. Texas A&M (10/13/12)
Had 50 pass attempts....51, J'Mar Smith at Texas (8/31/19)
Had 60 pass attempts....60, Colby Cameron vs. Utah State (11/1/12)
Had 100 yards receiving....***127, Eli Finley vs. Old Dominion (10/24/26)***
....***110, Jalen Mickens vs. Old Dominion(10/24/26)***
Had 200 yards receiving....212, Malik Stanley vs. Southern Miss (10/19/19)
Caught 2 touchdown passes....***2, Brayden Bockler at ULM (10/17/26)***
Caught 3+ touchdown passes....3, Tre Harris vs. Rice (10/22/22)
Had 10 receptions....***10, Eli Finley vs. Old Dominion(10/24/26)***
Had 15 receptions....17, Trent Taylor at Middle Tennessee (9/24/16)

DEFENSE

Intercepted 2 passes....2, Jakari Foster vs. Liberty (11/22/25)
Intercepted 3 passes....3, Amik Robertson vs. Southern Miss (10/19/19)
Recorded 2 sacks....***2.0, Jadon Mayfield vs. Old Dominion (10/24/26)***
Recorded 3+ sacks....***3.0, Alonzo Jackson Jr. at LSU (9/12/26)***
Had 10 tackles....***10, Zheric Hill vs. Old Dominion (10/24/26)***
Had 15 tackles....15, Myles Heard vs. Northwestern State (9/9/23)
Had 20 tackles....20, Quincy Stewart at Texas A&M (9/12/98)
Had 3 tackles for loss....3.0, Sifa Leota vs. Coastal Carolina (12/30/25)
Had 4+ tackles for loss....4.5, Mekhi Mason vs. Southeastern (8/30/25)
Returned an interception for a TD....***Jordan McRae (100 yards) at LSU (9/12/26)***
Returned a fumble for a TD....Jacob Bradford (20 yards) vs. NM State (9/13/25)

SPECIAL TEAMS

Made 3 field goals....3, Buck Buchanan at NMSU (10/15/24)
Made 4+ field goals....4, Buck Buchanan at WKU (11/16/24)
Made a 50-yard field goal....51, John Hoyet Chance vs. Coastal Carolina (12/30/25)
Had a 60-yard punt....***67, Lexington Matthews vs. ULL (10/10/26)***
Returned a punt for a TD....Smoke Harris (67 yards) at UTEP (9/29/23)
Returned a kickoff for a TD....Devin Gandy (93 yards) at Missouri State (11/29/25)
Returned a blocked punt for a TD....Michael Richard (6 yards) vs. Jax State (11/18/23)
Returned a blocked field goal for a TD....Le'Vander Liggins (54 yards) vs. UTEP (10/4/14)
Returned a blocked PAT for a safety....Amik Robertson vs. Mississippi State (9/9/17)

OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL

OFFENSE

Rushed for 100 yards....228, Evan Dickens, Liberty (11/22/25)
Rushed for 200 yards....228, Evan Dickens, Liberty (11/22/25)
Rushed for 3 touchdowns....***3, Sam Leavitt, LSU (9/12/26)***
Rushed for 4+ touchdowns....4, DeWayne McBride, UAB (11/6/21)
Had a 70-yard run from scrimmage....80, Elijah Green, Sam Houston (10/31/25)
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Had 20 carries....30, Evan Dickens, Liberty (11/22/25)
Had 25 carries....30, Evan Dickens, Liberty (11/22/25))
Had 30 carries....30, Evan Dickens, Liberty (11/22/25)
Passed for 300 yards....***344, Sam Leavitt, LSU (9/12/26)***
Passed for 400 yards....448, Chris Reynolds, Charlotte (11/13/21)
Passed for 500 yards....580, David Piland, Houston (9/8/12)
Threw for 3 touchdowns....***3, Nate Bennett, Baylor (9/19/26)***
Threw for 4+ touchdowns....4, Dexter Williams II, Kennesaw (10/9/25)
Had a 70-yard pass from scrimmage....71, Jacob Clark, Missouri State (11/29/25)
Had an 80-yard pass from scrimmage....83, Ryan Metz, UTEP (11/18/17)
Had 30 completions....31, Grayson James, FIU (10/28/22)
Had 35 completions....44, Cole Kelley, Southeastern (9/11/21)
Had 40 completions....44, Cole Kelley, Southeastern (9/11/21)
Had 50 pass attempts....52, Nick Minicucci, Delaware (11/8/25)
Had 60 pass attempts....77, David Piland, Houston (9/8/12)
Had 100 yards receiving....***104, Trey'Dez Green, LSU (9/12/26)***
Had 200 yards receiving....207, Malachi Corley, WKU (10/5/23)
Caught 2 touchdown passes....***2, Jayden McGowan , Baylor (9/19/26)***
Caught 3+ touchdown passes....3, Malachi Corley, WKU (10/5/23)
Had 10 receptions....11, Roderic Burns, North Texas (9/16/23)
Had 15 receptions....18, Kealoha Pilares, Hawai'i (10/2/10)

DEFENSE

Intercepted 2 passes....2, Yam Banks, South Alabama (9/24/22)
Intercepted 3 passes....3, Bene Benwikere, San Jose State (11/24/12)
Recorded 2 sacks....***3.0, Princewill Umanmielen, LSU (9/12/26)***
Recorded 3+ sacks....***3.0, Princewill Umanmielen, LSU (9/12/26)***
Had 10 tackles....***11, Jake St. Andre, ULL (10/10/26)***
Had 15 tackles....15, Jaylen Wester, WKU (10/21/25)
Had 20 tackles....21, Matt Castelo, San Jose State (11/17/07)
Had 3 tackles for loss....***4.0, Princewill Umanmielen, LSU (9/12/26)***
Had 4+ tackles for loss....***4.0, Princewill Umanmielen, LSU (9/12/26)***
Returned an interception for a TD....DK Kaufman (33 yards), NC State (9/14/24)
Returned a fumble for a TD....Jeffery Simmons (90 yards), Mississippi State (9/9/17)

SPECIAL TEAMS

Made 3 field goals....***3, Scott Starzyk, LSU (9/12/26)***
Made 4+ field goals....4, Noah Raushenberg, North Texas (9/16/23)
Made a 50-yard field goal....52, Kanoah Vinesett, NC State (9/14/24)
Had a 60-yard punt....63, Kylan Dupre, Nicholls (8/31/24)
Returned a punt for a TD....Quan Bray (76 yards), Auburn (9/27/14)
Returned a kickoff for a TD....LaMareon James, Old Dominion (10/30/21)
Returned a blocked punt for a TD....Jeffery Simmons (0 yards), Mississippi State (9/9/17)
Returned a blocked field goal for a TD....Micael Egwuagu (82 yards), UTSA (11/12/16)

LA TECH TEAM

OFFENSE

300 yards rushing....388 at Missouri State (11/29/25))
400 yards rushing....426 vs. Sam Houston (10/31/25)
Rushed for 5 touchdowns....5 at Missouri State (11/29/25)
Rushed for 6+ touchdowns....6 vs. Sam Houston (10/31/25)
Had 50 rushing attempts....51 at Missouri State (11/29/25)
Had 60 rushing attempts....65 vs. NM State (9/13/25)
400 yards passing....419 vs. Sam Houston (11/11/23)
500 yards passing....516 vs. Stephen F. Austin (09/10/22)
600 yards passing....602 vs. Boise State (10/3/98)
Threw for 5 touchdowns....***6 vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)***
Threw for 6+ touchdowns....***6 vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)***
500 yards total offense....***528 vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)***
600 yards total offense....647 vs. Sam Houston (10/31/25)
700 yards total offense....735 vs. Rice (10/29/16)
Scored 50 points....***80 vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)***
Scored 60 points....***80 vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)***
Scored 70 points....***80 vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)***
Recorded 30 first downs....30 vs. Sam Houston (10/31/25)
Recorded 35 first downs....37 vs. North Texas (11/9/19)

DEFENSE

Registered 5+ sacks....***5 at LSU (9/12/26)***
Forced 4+ turnovers....***4 at LSU (9/12/26)***
Scored a safety....vs. Kennesaw (11/30/24)
Posted a shutout....24-0 vs. Southeastern (8/30/25)
Held an opponent under 250 total yards....***129 vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)***
Scored multiple defensive touchdowns....2 (2 INT returns) at UTEP (9/27/25)

SPECIAL TEAMS

Blocked a punt....vs. UTEP (10/22/24)
Blocked an extra point attempt....***at Baylor (9/19/26)***
Blocked a field goal attempt....vs. Coastal Carolina (12/30/25)

OPPONENT TEAM

OFFENSE

300 yards rushing....321, Army (12/28/24)
400 yards rushing....475, North Texas (10/15/22)
Rushed for 5 touchdowns....5, Missouri (9/1/22)
Rushed for 6+ touchdowns....7, UAB, (11/6/21)
Had 50 rushing attempts....64, Army(12/28/24)
Had 60 rushing attempts....64, Army(12/28/24)
400 yards passing....448, Charlotte (11/13/21)
500 yards passing....580, Houston (9/8/12)
600 yards passing....630, Houston (8/31/91)
Threw for 5 touchdowns....5, SMU (9/18/21)
Threw for 6+ touchdowns....6, Fresno State (10/3/92)
500 yards total offense....***528, LSU (9/12/26)***
600 yards total offense....602, Liberty (11/4/23)
700 yards total offense....733, Rice (11/29/03)
Scored 50 points....56, Liberty (11/4/22)
Scored 60 points....61, Hawai'i (11/11/06)
Scored 70 points....73, Houston (8/31/91)
Negative yards rushing....***-13, vs. Old Dominion (10/24/26)***
Recorded 30 first downs....32, North Texas (9/16/23)
Recorded 40 first downs....40, Houston (9/8/12)

DEFENSE

Registered 5+ sacks....***7, LSU (9/12/26)***
Forced 4+ turnovers....4, Southeastern (8/30/25)
Scored a safety....Sam Houston (10/29/24)
Posted a shutout....29-0 by Kansas (9/6/08)
Held LA Tech under 250 total yards....***140, LSU (9/12/26)***

SPECIAL TEAMS

Blocked a punt....North Texas (9/25/21)
Blocked an extra point attempt....Nicholls (8/31/24)
Blocked a field goal attempt....***ULM (10/17/26)***

2026 SUPERLATIVES

LA TECH INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

RUSHES	7	Andrew Burnette vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)
YARDS RUSHING	85	Andrew Burnette vs. ULL (10/10/26)
TD RUSHES	1	Jaden Miller vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)
	1	Sergio Snider at ULM (10/17/26)
	1	Dylone Brooks vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)
	1	Talyn Shettron vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)
	1	Andrew Burnette vs. Baylor (9/19/26)
	1	Blake Baker vs. Old Dominion (10/10/26)
	1	Trey Kukuk vs. vs. Old Dominion(10/24/26)
LONG RUSH	72	***Dylone Brooks vs. Army (10/3/26)***
PASS ATTEMPTS	44	Trey Kukuk at Baylor (9/12/26)
PASS COMPLETIONS	32	***Blake Baker vs. ULL (10/10/26)***
YARDS PASSING	319	Blake Baker vs. ULL (10/10/26)
TD PASSES	3	Blake Baker vs.ULL (10/10/26)
LONG PASS	75	Blake Baker vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)
RECEPTIONS	10	Eli Finley vs. Old Dominion (10/24/26)
YARDS RECEIVING	133	Jalen Mickens vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)
TD RECEPTIONS	1	6 players vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)
LONG RECEPTION	75	Jalen Mickens vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)
FIELD GOALS	1	Hunter Rioux vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)
LONG FIELD GOAL	49	Hunter Rioux vs. vs. Old Dominion (9/5/26)
PUNTS	6	Lexington Matthews at LSU (9/12/26)
PUNTING AVG	49.3	Lexington Matthews vs. ULL (10/10/26)
LONG PUNT	67	Lexington Matthews vs. ULL (10/10/26)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	2	Lexington Matthews vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)
LONG PUNT RETURN	66	Marcus Calwise Jr. at ULM (10/17/26)
LONG KICKOFF RETURN	25	Dylone Brooks vs. ULL (10/10/26)
TACKLES	12	Alonzo Jackson Jr. at LSU (9/12/26)
SACKS	3.0	Alonzo Jackson Jr. at LSU (9/12/26)
TACKLES FOR LOSS	3.5	Alonzo Jackson Jr. at LSU (9/12/26)
INTERCEPTIONS	1	Jordan McRae vs. ULL (10/10/26)
	1	Zheric Hill at LSU (9/12/26)
	1	Kam Franklin at ULM (10/17/26)
	1	Kameron Carter vs. ULL (10/10/26)
	1	Taeden Rogers at ULM (10/17/26)
	1	Amari Butler vs. Old Dominion(10/24/26)

OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

RUSHES	18	Dilin Jones, LSU (9/12/26)
YARDS RUSHING	66	Dilin Jones, LSU (9/12/26)
TD RUSHES	3	Sam Leavitt, LSU (9/12/26)
LONG RUSH	46	Dilin Jones, LSU (9/12/26)
PASS ATTEMPTS	38	Sam Leavitt, LSU (9/12/26)
PASS COMPLETIONS	25	Sam Leavitt, LSU (9/12/26)
YARDS PASSING	344	Sam Leavitt, LSU (9/12/26)
TD PASSES	3	Nate Bennett, Baylor (9/19/26)
LONG PASS	53	Sam Leavitt, LSU (9/12/26)
RECEPTIONS	7	Gavin Freeman, Baylor (9/19/26)
YARDS RECEIVING	104	Trey'Dez Green, LSU (9/12/26)
TD RECEPTIONS	1	Trey'Dez Green, LSU (9/12/26)
LONG RECEPTION	53	Eugene Wilson III, LSU (9/12/26)
FIELD GOALS	3	Scott Starzyk, LSU (9/12/26)
LONG FIELD GOAL	37	Payne Williams III, Northwestern State (9/5/26)
PUNTS	10	Jack Hurley, Northwestern State (9/5/26)
PUNTING AVG	53	Williams Palmer, Baylor (9/19/26)
LONG PUNT	59	Williams Palmer, Baylor (9/19/26)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	2	Grant Chadwick, LSU (9/12/26)
LONG PUNT RETURN	27	Eugene Wilson III, LSU (9/12/26)
LONG KICKOFF RETURN	N/A	
TACKLES	9	TJ Dottery, LSU (9/12/26)
SACKS	3.0	Princewill Umanmielen, LSU (9/12/26)
TACKLES FOR LOSS	4.0	Princewill Umanmielen, LSU (9/12/26)

LA TECH TEAM GAME HIGHS

RUSHES	45	vs. Old Dominion (10/24/26)
YARDS RUSHING	244	vs. Army (10/3/26)
YARDS PER RUSH	7.4	vs. Army (10/3/26)
TD RUSHES	4	vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)
PASS ATTEMPTS	44	at Baylor (9/19/26)
PASS COMPLETIONS	33	vs. ULL (10/10/26)
YARDS PASSING	338	vs. ULL (10/10/26)
YARDS PER PASS	13.4	vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)
TD PASSES	6	vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)
TOTAL PLAYS	80	vs. Old Dominion (10/24/26)
TOTAL OFFENSE	528	vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)
YARDS PER PLAY	8.9	vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)
POINTS	80	vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)
SACKS BY	5	at LSU (9/12/26)
FIRST DOWNS	28	vs. ULL (10/10/26)
PENALTIES	10	vs. Army (10/3/26)
PENALTY YARDS	81	at Baylor (9/19/26)
TURNOVERS	3	at LSU (9/12/26)
INTERCEPTIONS BY	2	at ULM (10/17/26)
PUNTS	6	at LSU (9/12/26)
PUNTING AVG	49.3	vs. ULL (10/10/26)
LONG PUNT	67	vs. ULL (10/10/26)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	2	vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)
LONG PUNT RETURN	58	vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26)

OPPONENT TEAM GAME HIGHS

RUSHES	45	Northwestern State (9/5/26)
YARDS RUSHING	270	vs. Army (10/3/26)
YARDS PER RUSH	6.0	vs. Army (10/3/26)
TD RUSHES	4	LSU (9/12/26)
PASS ATTEMPTS	41	LSU (9/12/26)
PASS COMPLETIONS	27	LSU (9/12/26)
YARDS PASSING	381	LSU (9/12/26)
YARDS PER PASS	9.3	LSU (9/12/26)
TD PASSES	3	Baylor (9/19/26)
TOTAL PLAYS	85	LSU (9/12/26)
TOTAL OFFENSE	528	LSU (9/12/26)
YARDS PER PLAY	6.2	LSU (9/12/26)
POINTS	45	LSU (9/12/26)
SACKS BY	7	LSU (9/12/26)
FIRST DOWNS	26	LSU (9/12/26)
PENALTIES	10	LSU (9/12/26)
PENALTY YARDS	101	LSU (9/12/26)
TURNOVERS	3	ULL (10/10/26)
INTERCEPTIONS BY	3	LSU (9/12/26)
PUNTS	10	Northwestern State (9/5/26)
PUNTING AVG	53	Baylor (9/19//26)
LONG PUNT	58	Army (10/3/26)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	2	LSU (9/12/26)
LONG PUNT RETURN	27	LSU (9/12/26)

MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS

GAMES WITH A RECEPTION

Player	2023	2024	2025	2026	Career
Eli Finley	1	11	10	6	28
Jalen Mickens	-	-	9	6	15
Jay Wilkerson	-	7	-	5	12
Dedrick Latulas	2	1	3	1	7
David Pierro	-	-	5	1	6
Dane Benedix	-	-	2	-	2
Andrew Burnette	-	-	2	3	5
Blake Baker	-	-	1	1	2
Luke Watkins	-	-	1	1	2
Trey Kukuk	-	-	1	-	1
Brayden Bockler	-	-	1	3	4
Talyn Shettron	-	-	-	5	5
Sergio Snider	-	-	-	1	1
Marcus Calwise Jr.	-	-	-	4	4
Dylone Brooks	-	-	-	3	3
Rayshun Hurt	-	-	-	2	2

GAMES WITH 5+ RECEPTIONS

Player	2023	2024	2025	2026	Career
Eli Finley	0	1	2	3	6
Jalen Mickens	-	-	-	3	3
Talyn Shettron	-	-	-	1	1

100 YARD GAMES

Player	2023	2024	2025	2026	Career
Eli Finley	0	0	1	2	3
Jalen Mickens	-	-	0	2	2
Talyn Shettron	-	-	-	1	1
Marcus Calwise Jr.	-	-	-	1	1

20+ YARD RECEPTION

Player	2023	2024	2025	2026	Career
Eli Finley	0	5	6	3	14
Jay Wilkerson	-	6	-	1	7
Jalen Mickens	-	-	2	4	6
Dedrick Latulas	0	0	1	0	1
David Pierro	-	-	1	0	1
Luke Watkins	-	-	1	1	2
Trey Kukuk	-	-	1	0	1
Talyn Shettron	-	-	-	1	1
Marcus Calwise Jr.	-	-	-	1	1

40+ YARD RECEPTION

Player	2023	2024	2025	2026	Career
Jay Wilkerson	-	1	-	0	1
Eli Finley	0	1	2	0	3
Jalen Mickens	-	-	1	1	2
David Pierro	-	-	1	0	1

GAMES WITH A RECEIVING TOUCHDOWN

Player	2023	2024	2025	2026	Career
Eli Finley	0	2	-	4	6
Jay Wilkerson	-	1	-	1	2
Jalen Mickens	-	-	1	2	3
Luke Watkins	-	-	0	1	1
Talyn Shettron	-	-	-	1	1
Dedrick Latulas	0	0	0	1	1
Dylone Brooks	-	-	-	1	1
Brayden Bockler	-	-	-	1	1

GAMES WITH MULTIPLE RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS

Player	2024	2025	2026	Career
Eli Finley	-	-	1	1
Brayden Bockler	-	-	1	1

GAMES WITH 300 YARDS PASSING

Player	2023	2024	2025	2026	Career
Blake Baker	-	0	1	2	3

GAMES WITH MULTIPLE PASSING TOUCHDOWNS

Player	2023	2024	2025	2026	Career
Blake Baker	-	0	0	3	3

20+ YARD RUNS

Player	2023	2024	2025	2026	Career
Blake Baker	-	1	2	0	3
Trey Kukuk	-	-	4	1	5
Andrew Burnette	-	-	2	1	3
Dylone Brooks	-	-	-	1	1
Talyn Shettron	-	-	-	1	1
Jalen Mickens	-	-	0	1	1
Marcus Calwise Jr.	0	0	0	1	1

100 YARDS RUSHING

Player	2024	2025	2026	Career
Blake Baker	0	1	0	1
Trey Kukuk	0	3	0	3
Andrew Burnette	-	1	0	1
Dylone Brooks	-	-	1	1

GAMES WITH RUSHING TOUCHDOWN

Player	2023	2024	2025	2026	Career
Andrew Burnette	-	-	4	1	5
Blake Baker	-	1	3	2	6
Trey Kukuk	-	-	2	2	4
Dylone Brooks	-	-	-	2	2
Talyn Shettron	-	-	-	1	1
Jaden Miller	-	-	-	1	1
Sergio Snider	-	-	-	3	3
Jalen Mickens	-	-	-	2	2

GAMES WITH MULTIPLE RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

Player	2024	2025	2026	Career
Trey Kukuk	-	2	-	2
Andrew Burnette	-	2	-	2

GAMES WITH 15+ CARRIES

Player	2024	2025	2026	Career
Trey Kukuk	-	3	1	4
Andrew Burnette	-	2	2	4
Blake Baker	0	1	-	1

GAMES WITH DOUBLE DIGIT TACKLES

Player	2023	2024	2025	2026	Career
Kolbe Fields	-	3	2	0	5
Zheric Hill	-	-	-	1	1

GAMES WITH A SACK (Half Sacks Included)

Player	2023	2024	2025	2026	Career
Jadon Mayfield	-	0	4	2	6
Kolbe Fields	-	1	2	1	4
Donovan Rieman	-	-	2	1	3
Kameron Carter	-	-	1		1
Jojo Odom	-	-	1	1	2
Zheric Hill	-	-	1	1	2
Jacob Bradford	-	-	0	1	1
Kaleb Coleman	-	-	0	2	2
Zaqwaun Nunn	-	-	-	1	1
Alonzo Jackson Jr.	-	-	-	3	3
Justice Williams	-	-	-	1	1

GAMES LEADING LA TECH IN TACKLES

Player	2023	2024	2025	2026	Career
Kolbe Fields	-	4	3	0	7
Sam Fongang	-	-	-	1	1
Zheric Hill	-	-	-	2	2
Alonzo Jackson Jr.	-	-	-	2	2
Taeden Rogers	-	-	-	2	2

GAMES WITH AN INTERCEPTION

Player	2023	2024	2025	2026	Career
Kolbe Fields	-	1	2		3
Kam Franklin	-	-	1	1	2
Alonzo Jackson	-	0	1	1	2
Kameron Carter	-	-	1	1	2
Jordan McRae	-	-	1	2	3
Taeden Rogers	-	-	-	1	1
Amari Butler	-	-	-	1	1

GAMES WITH A FUMBLE RECOVERY

Player	2023	2024	2025	2026	Career
Kam Franklin	-	-	-	-	1
Jacob Bradford	-	-	0	-	1
Donovan Rieman	-	-	1	-	1
Taeden Rogers	-	-	-	1	1
Jaden Mayfeild	-	-	-	1	1
Alonzo Jackson Jr.	-	-	-	1	1

2026 CUMULATIVE STATISTICS

Team Results

	Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
	09/05/2026	Northwestern St.	W	80-6	13108
	09/12/2026	at LSU	L	14-45	102321
	09/19/2026	at Baylor	L	19-36	41343
	10/03/2026	Army West Point	W	31-29	18326
*	10/10/2026	Louisiana	W	32-31	20035
*	10/17/2026	at ULM	W	24-0	20653
*	10/24/2026	Old Dominion	W	26-0	20444

Rushing

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Andrew Burnette	7	85	355	6	349	4.1	1	37	49.9
Trey Kukuk	6	42	212	9	203	4.8	2	20	33.8
Dylone Brooks	5	19	182	7	175	9.2	2	72	35.0
Sergio Snider	6	16	79	6	73	4.6	3	24	12.2
Jalen Mickens	7	7	70	0	70	10.0	2	28	10.0
Marcus Calwise Jr.	7	3	60	3	57	19.0	0	56	8.1
Talyn Shettron	7	3	46	0	46	15.3	1	37	6.6
Jaden Miller	3	19	53	7	46	2.4	1	11	15.3
Rayshun Hurt	4	11	41	1	40	3.6	0	8	10.0
Blake Baker	6	41	106	76	30	0.7	2	14	5.0
Dedrick Latulas	7	1	1	0	1	1.0	0	1	0.1
David Pierro	7	1	0	2	-2	-2.0	0	0	-0.3
Luke Watkins	7	1	0	6	-6	-6.0	0	0	-0.9
Team	7	7	0	28	-28	-4.0	0	0	-4.0
Total	**7**	**257**	**1205**	**151**	**1054**	**4.1**	**14**	**72**	**150.6**
Opponents	**7**	**259**	**1102**	**224**	**878**	**3.4**	**12**	**54**	**125.4**

Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Blake Baker	6	168.8	96-133-1	72.2	1160	10	75	193.3
Trey Kukuk	6	125.5	49-75-2	65.3	467	3	35	77.8
Jackson Bradley	1	75.1	2-3-0	66.7	3	0	3	3.0
Marcus Calwise Jr.	7	1052	1-1-0	100.0	74	1	74	10.6
Joshua Brantley	1	564.4	1-1-0	100.0	16	1	16	16.0
Dylone Brooks	5	259.6	1-1-0	100.0	19	0	19	3.8
Sergio Snider	6	116.8	1-1-0	100.0	2	0	2	0.3
Total	**7**	**158.5**	**151-215-3**	**70.2**	**1741**	**15**	**75**	**248.7**
Opponents	**7**	**119.9**	**114-192-10**	**59.4**	**1386**	**6**	**53**	**198.0**

Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Jalen Mickens	7	40	586	14.7	3	75	83.7
Eli Finley	7	39	462	11.8	5	29	66.0
Talyn Shettron	7	18	243	13.5	1	27	34.7
Marcus Calwise Jr.	7	16	179	11.2	0	30	25.6
Andrew Burnette	7	7	23	3.3	0	14	3.3
Jay Wilkerson	6	6	47	7.8	1	27	7.8
Dylone Brooks	5	6	108	18.0	1	74	21.6
Brayden Bockler	6	5	9	1.8	2	7	1.5
Rayshun Hurt	4	5	25	5.0	0	9	6.3
Blake Baker	6	2	2	1.0	0	2	0.3
Dedrick Latulas	7	2	10	5.0	1	6	1.4
Luke Watkins	7	2	38	19.0	1	35	5.4
David Pierro	7	1	3	3.0	0	3	0.4
Sergio Snider	6	1	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Jaden Miller	3	1	6	6.0	0	6	2.0
Total	**7**	**151**	**1741**	**11.5**	**15**	**75**	**248.7**
Opponents	**7**	**114**	**1386**	**12.2**	**6**	**53**	**198.0**

Game Records

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES	5-2	4-0	1-2	0-0
CONFERENCE	3-0	2-0	1-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	2-2	2-0	0-2	0-0

Team Statistics

	LATECH	OPP
First Downs	**146**	**127**
Rushing	55	50
Passing	75	60
Penalty	16	17
Rushing Yardage	**1054**	**878**
Rushing attempts	257	259
Average per rush	4.1	3.4
Average per game	150.6	125.4
TDs Rushing	14	12
Passing Yardage	**1741**	**1386**
Comp-Att-Int	151-215-3	114-192-10
Average per pass	8.1	7.2
Average per catch	11.5	12.2
Average per game	248.7	198.0
TDs Passing	15	6
Total offense	**2795**	**2264**
Average per play	5.9	5.0
Average per game	399.3	323.4
Kick returns: #-Yards	**13-256**	**5-90**
Punt returns: #-Yards	**12-202**	**10-67**
Int returns: #-Yards	**10-217**	**3-31**
Fumbles-Lost	**8-5**	**8-4**
Penalties-Yards	**47-415**	**51-486**
Punts-Avg	**22-44.7**	**33-40.5**
Time of possession / game	**30:43**	**28:56**
3rd-down conversion	**44/97**	**36/97**
4th-down conversion	**6/13**	**4/11**
PAT-attempts	**(23-25) 92%**	**(14-15) 93%**
2-point conversion-attempts	**(1-7) 14%**	**(2-3) 67%**

Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Jordan Mcrae	3	106	35.3	1	100
Kam Franklin	2	66	33.0	0	66
Alonzo Jackson Jr.	1	0	0.0	0	0
Kameron Carter	1	22	22.0	0	22
Amari Butler	1	0	0.0	0	0
Zheric Hill	1	25	25.0	0	25
Taeden Rogers	1	-2	-2.0	0	0
Total	**10**	**217**	**21.7**	**1**	**100**
Opponents	**3**	**31**	**10.3**	**0**	**32**

Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Hunter Rioux	3-7	42.9	0-0	0-0	1-1	2-4	0-2	49	0
Kaegan Kent	2-6	33.3	0-0	2-2	0-2	0-1	0-1	25	1
Opponents	**7-8**	**87.5**	**0-0**	**4-4**	**3-3**	**0-1**	**0-0**	**37**	**0**

Scoring

			PAT						
Player	**td**	**fg**	**kick**	**rush**	**rcv**	**pass**	**dxp**	**saf**	**pts**
Jalen Mickens	5	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	32
Eli Finley	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
Kaegan Kent	-	2-6	18-18	-	-	-	-	-	24
Dylone Brooks	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Sergio Snider	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Hunter Rioux	-	3-7	5-7	-	-	-	-	-	14
Talyn Shettron	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Blake Baker	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Dedrick Latulas	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Trey Kukuk	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	12
Brayden Bockler	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Jay Wilkerson	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Andrew Burnette	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Jordan Mcrae	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Luke Watkins	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Jaden Miller	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	**31**	**5-13**	**23-25**	**0**	**1**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**226**
Opponents	**18**	**7-8**	**14-15**	**1**	**1**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**147**

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
Louisiana Tech	49	72	48	57	0	226
Opponents	27	23	45	52	0	147

Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Lexington Matthews	22	984	44.7	67	3	5	8	7	0
Total	**22**	**984**	**44.7**	**67**	**3**	**5**	**8**	**7**	**0**
Opponents	**33**	**1335**	**40.5**	**59**	**2**	**10**	**6**	**4**	**0**

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Dedrick Latulas	9	122	13.6	1	58
Marcus Calwise Jr.	2	80	40.0	0	66
Luke Watkins	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	**12**	**202**	**16.8**	**1**	**66**
Opponents	**10**	**67**	**6.7**	**0**	**27**

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Dedrick Latulas	9	174	19.3	0	36
Ahkhari Johnson	3	45	15.0	0	19
Eli Finley	1	12	12.0	0	12
Total	**13**	**256**	**19.7**	**0**	**36**
Opponents	**5**	**90**	**18.0**	**0**	**29**

All Purpose

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Jalen Mickens	7	70	586	0	0	0	656	93.7
Eli Finley	7	0	462	0	12	0	474	67.7
Andrew Burnette	7	349	23	0	0	0	372	53.1
Marcus Calwise Jr.	7	57	179	80	0	0	316	45.1
Dylone Brooks	5	175	108	0	25	0	308	61.6
Dedrick Latulas	7	1	10	122	174	0	307	43.9
Talyn Shettron	7	46	243	0	0	0	289	41.3
Trey Kukuk	6	203	0	0	0	0	203	33.8
Jordan Mcrae	7	0	0	0	0	106	106	15.1
Sergio Snider	6	73	0	0	0	0	73	12.2
Kam Franklin	7	0	0	0	0	66	66	9.4
Rayshun Hurt	4	40	25	0	0	0	65	16.3
Jaden Miller	3	46	6	0	0	0	52	17.3
Jay Wilkerson	6	0	47	0	0	0	47	7.8
Ahkhari Johnson	6	0	0	0	45	0	45	7.5
Blake Baker	6	30	2	0	0	0	32	5.3
Luke Watkins	7	-6	38	0	0	0	32	4.6
Zheric Hill	7	0	0	0	0	25	25	3.6
Kameron Carter	7	0	0	0	0	22	22	3.1
Brayden Bockler	6	0	9	0	0	0	9	1.5
David Pierro	7	-2	3	0	0	0	1	0.1
Taeden Rogers	7	0	0	0	0	-2	-2	-0.3
Total	**7**	**1054**	**1741**	**202**	**256**	**217**	**3470**	**495.7**
Opponents	**7**	**878**	**1386**	**67**	**90**	**31**	**2452**	**350.3**

Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Blake Baker	6	174	30	1160	1190	198.3
Trey Kukuk	6	117	203	467	670	111.7
Andrew Burnette	7	85	349	0	349	49.9
Dylone Brooks	5	20	175	19	194	38.8
Marcus Calwise Jr.	7	4	57	74	131	18.7
Sergio Snider	6	17	73	2	75	12.5
Jalen Mickens	7	7	70	0	70	10.0
Talyn Shettron	7	3	46	0	46	6.6
Jaden Miller	3	19	46	0	46	15.3
Rayshun Hurt	4	11	40	0	40	10.0
Joshua Brantley	1	1	0	16	16	16.0
Jackson Bradley	1	4	0	3	3	3.0
Dedrick Latulas	7	1	1	0	1	0.1
David Pierro	7	1	-2	0	-2	-0.3
Luke Watkins	7	1	-6	0	-6	-0.9
Total	**7**	**472**	**1054**	**1741**	**2795**	**399.3**
Opponents	**7**	**451**	**878**	**1386**	**2264**	**323.4**

Team Defense

			Tackles				Sacks	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
##	Player	gp	ua	a	tot	tfl/yds	no-yds	int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick	saf
24	Alonzo Jackson Jr.	7	24	25	49	12.5-38	6.5-28	1-0	2	3	1-0	1	.	.
10	Kolbe Fields	7	13	32	45	7.5-25	1-12	.	.	6	.	1	.	.
22	Jadon Mayfield	7	17	28	45	8-35	3-23	.	1	.	1-4	.	.	.
21	Zheric Hill	7	15	26	41	7.5-24	0.5-4	1-25	.	3	.	.	.	.
1	Sam Fongang	7	23	17	40	3-9	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.
0	Jordan Mcrae	7	17	19	36	.	.	3-106	4	.	.	1	.	.
16	Taeden Rogers	7	20	12	32	1-2	.	1--2	4	.	1-5	.	.	.
4	Kam Franklin	7	8	14	22	1-2	.	2-66	2	.	.	.	.	.
7	Janard Lockhardt	7	11	11	22	1.5-7	.	.	8	1	1-35	.	.	.
13	MJ Moultrie II	6	5	13	18	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44	Kaleb Coleman	7	2	13	15	3-17	1.5-14	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
93	Jacob Bradford	7	3	8	11	1.5-7	1-5	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
20	Ty Jones	3	7	3	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
40	Ayden Combs	7	4	6	10	1-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
92	Lane Condry	7	2	7	9	2.5-13	2-12	.	1	2	.	.	.	.
98	Donovan Rieman	7	3	4	7	1.5-9	0.5-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	Kameron Carter	7	3	4	7	0.5-1	.	1-22	1	.	.	.	.	.
27	Grayson Hardy	6	1	6	7	0.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
35	Cole Watson	7	1	5	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
91	ZaQwaun Nunn	4	2	4	6	1-1	1-1	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
54	Justice Williams	7	1	4	5	1.5-12	1.5-12	.	1	2	.	.	.	.
17	Demario Bookhart	7	2	3	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
90	Jojo Odom	7	.	5	5	1-3	0.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
2	Amari Butler	6	1	3	4	.	.	1-0	1	.	.	.	.	.
11	Emmanuel Oguns	4	.	4	4	0.5-0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
8	David Pierro	7	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
94	Amari Wilks	6	3	.	3	1-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
72	Hayden Christman	7	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
25	Colton Deckard	5	1	1	2	0.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
99	Judd Rouyea	4	1	1	2	1-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
39	Jacoryian Crowe	7	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30	Zander Hayes	2	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26	Nathan Green	5	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
28	Jeremiah Smith	5	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
41	Ean Burch	7	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
66	Will Hutchens	6	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
5	Ahkhari Johnson	6	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
6	Marcus Calwise Jr.	7	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
37	Zachary Jackson	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
46	Daylin Page	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
23	Javari Lockhart	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
33	Jaylon Parnell	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
32	Emanual Collins	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
96	Ashton Dawson	2	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
48	Jaden McIver	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
19	AJ Tarvin	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
28	Harrison Williams	1	1	.	1	1-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
14	Damien Richard II	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
38	Kaegan Kent	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Totals	**7**	**202**	**292**	**494**	**60-214**	**19-117**	**10-217**	**28**	**18**	**4-44**	**5**	**1**	**0**
	Opponents	7	218	330	548	44-128	17-73	3-31	24	31	5-25	7	1	0

OFFENSE STARTERS

OPPONENT	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	WR	WR	WR	RB	QB
NORTHWESTERN STATE	CHRISTMAN	COLE	BRACKINS III	ELLIS	SMITH III	FINLEY	MICKENS	WILKERSON	SHETTRON	MILLER	BAKER
#8 LSU	CHRISTMAN	COLE	BRACKINS III	ELLIS	SMITH III	FINLEY	MICKENS	WILKERSON	SHETTRON	MILLER	BAKER
BAYLOR	CHRISTMAN	COLE	BRACKINS III	ELLIS	SMITH III	FINLEY	MICKENS	WILKERSON	SHETTRON	MILLER	KUKUK
ARMY	CHRISTMAN	COLE	BRACKINS III	ELLIS	SMITH III	FINLEY	BOCKLER	WATKINS	MICKENS	BROOKS	KUKUK
UL-LAFAYETTE	CHRISTMAN	COLE	BRACKINS III	ELLIS	SMITH III	FINLEY	MICKENS	WILKERSON	SHETTRON	BROOKS	BAKER
ULM	CHRISTMAN	COLE	BRACKINS III	ELLIS	SMITH III	FINLEY	MICKENS	CALWISE JR.	SHETTRON	BURNETTE	BAKER
OLD DOMINION	CHRISTMAN	COLE	BRACKINS III	ELLIS	SMITH III	FINLEY	MICKENS	CALWISE JR.	SHETTRON	BURNETTE	BAKER

DEFENSE STARTERS

OPPONENT	DE	DT	DE	LB	LB	LB	CB	CB	SS	FS	STAR
NORTHWESTERN STATE	RIEMAN	BRADFORD	ROUYEA	FIELDS	HILL	JACKSON JR.	LOCKHARDT	BUTLER	FONGANG	MCRAE	ROGERS
#8 LSU	RIEMAN	BRADFORD	ROUYEA	FIELDS	HILL	JACKSON JR.	LOCKHARDT	BUTLER	FONGANG	MCRAE	ROGERS
BAYLOR	RIEMAN	BRADFORD	ROUYEA	FIELDS	HILL	JACKSON JR.	LOCKHARDT	BUTLER	FONGANG	MCRAE	ROGERS
ARMY	RIEMAN	NUNN	CONDRY	FIELDS	HILL	JACKSON JR.	LOCKHARDT	BUTLER	FONGANG	MCRAE	MAYFIELD
UL-LAFAYETTE	RIEMAN	BRADFORD	OGUNS	FIELDS	HILL	JACKSON JR.	LOCKHARDT	CARTER	FONGANG	MCRAE	ROGERS
ULM	RIEMAN	BRADFORD	OGUNS	FIELDS	HILL	JACKSON JR.	LOCKHARDT	CARTER	FONGANG	MCRAE	ROGERS
OLD DOMINION	RIEMAN	BRADFORD	OGUNS	FIELDS	HILL	JACKSON JR.	LOCKHARDT	CARTER	FONGANG	MCRAE	ROGERS



RUSTON - Louisiana Tech opened the 2026 season in historic fashion Saturday night, opening the 2026 season with an 80-6 victory over Northwestern State at Origin Bank Field at Joe Aillet Stadium. Tech's 80 points marked the most the Bulldogs have scored as a Division I program, while the 74-point margin of victory was the largest against an FCS or FBS opponent in a season opener in program history.

It is also the most points ever scored at Joe Aillet Stadium.

The Bulldogs (1-0) scored touchdowns on their first 11 possessions of the game, marking the first time in program history LA Tech had found the end zone on each of its first 11 drives. The Bulldogs also scored 63 points in the first half, the most in a half on record in program history—42 of which came during a second-quarter outburst.

Quarterback Blake Baker led the offensive attack in the first half, completing 10 of 14 passes for 232 yards and three touchdowns. Trey Kukuk added four completions on four attempts for 45 yards and two touchdowns, while Joshua Brantley, a native of Ruston, completed his lone pass attempt for a 16-yard touchdown to Talyn Shettron on a trick play in the opening quarter.

Jalen Mickens provided one of the game's biggest plays, hauling in three passes for 133 yards, including a 75-yard touchdown reception on the first offensive play of the season. Eli Finley added four catches for 52 yards and a touchdown, while Shettron accounted for two touchdowns, including a 37-yard rushing score.

The Bulldogs finished with 528 total yards, including 296 through the air and 232 on the ground. Dylone Brooks rushed for 48 yards and a touchdown, while Jaden Miller and Sergio Snider each added rushing touchdowns for their first scores in a Bulldog uniform.

Louisiana Tech's defense was equally dominant, limiting Northwestern State (0-2) to 129 total yards. The Bulldogs held the Demons to 86 rushing yards on 45 attempts, an average of 1.9 yards per rush, and recorded 13 tackles for loss.

The 129 total yards allowed were the fewest by a Louisiana Tech team since the Bulldogs allowed 142 total yards to New Mexico State on Oct. 17, 2009.

Dedrick Latulas provided a spark on special teams, recording 107 all-purpose yards and returning a punt 58 yards for a touchdown. Logan Watkins and Latulas also caught touchdown passes from Kukuk in the second half. Latulas had the first punt returned for a touchdown for LA Tech since November 18, 2023 at Jacksonville State.

The Bulldogs return to action for their first road trip, taking on LSU at Tiger Stadium in Baton Rouge on Saturday, September 12. Kickoff is set for 6:30 p.m. CT. on SEC Network+.

Team Statistics	NSU	LA Tech
First Downs	7	23
Net Yards Rushing	86	232
Net Yards Passing	43	296
Comp. - Att. - Int.	5-16-1	17-22-0
Avg. / Att.	2.7	13.5
Avg. / Comp.	8.6	17.4
TDs	0	6
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	129	528
Plays	61	59
Avg. / Play	2.1	8.9
Fumbles - Lost	2-0	0-0
Penalties - Yards	6-64	2-15
PUNTS-YARDS	10-365	2-74
Avg. / Punt	36.5	37.0
Inside 20	0	2
50+ Yards	0	0
Touchbacks	1	0
Fair Catch	2	1
KICKOFFS-YARDS	3-133	13-780
Avg. Yards / Kickoff	44.3	60.0
Touchbacks	0	12
RETURNS		
Punt: Total - Yards - TDs	1-0-0	5-97-1
Punt: Avg. / Return	0.0	19.4
Kickoff: Total - Yards - TDs	0-0-0	1-12-0
INT: Total - Yards - TDs	0-0-0	1-0-0
Possession Time	35:08	24:52
Sacks: Total - Yards	0-0	2-13
PAT: Total - Made	0-0	11-11
Field Goals: Total - Made	2-2	1-1

Scoring Summary

1st 08:59 NWST - Williams III, Payne 33 yd field goal
1st 08:48 LAT - Mickens, Jalen 75 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Kent, Kaegen kick)
1st 07:52 LAT - Wilkerson, Jay 27 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Kent, Kaegen kick)
1st 04:04 LAT - Shettron, Talyn 16 yd pass from Brantley, Joshua (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 13:48 LAT - Brooks, Dylone 28 yd run (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 11:25 LAT - Shettron, Talyn 37 yd run (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 07:51 LAT - Finley, Eli 9 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 06:17 LAT - Latulas, Dedrick 58 yd punt return (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 04:05 LAT - Snider, Sergio 2 yd run (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 01:44 LAT - Miller, Jaden 7 yd run (Kent, Kaegen kick)
3rd 13:22 LAT - Watkins, Luke 35 yd pass from Kukuk, Trey (Kent, Kaegen kick)
3rd 06:28 LAT - Latulas, Dedrick 6 yd pass from Kukuk, Trey (Rioux, Hunter kick)
4th 08:56 LAT - Rioux, Hunter 49 yd field goal
4th 00:47 NWST - Williams III, Payne 37 yd field goal

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
NSU	3	0	0	3	6
LA Tech	21	42	14	3	80

Stadium: Origin Bank Field at Joe Aillet Stadium
Kickoff Time: 6:32 p.m.
End of Game: 9:52 p.m.
Attendance: 13,108



BATON ROUGE, La. – Louisiana Tech's defense created opportunities throughout the night, including Jordan McRae who delivered a piece of program history, but the Bulldogs fell 45-14 to No. 8 LSU Saturday night at Tiger Stadium.

McRae provided Tech's (1-1) lone touchdown of the first half when he intercepted LSU (2-0) quarterback Sam Leavitt and returned it 100 yards for a touchdown with 1:53 remaining in the second quarter. The return marked the longest interception or fumble return in Louisiana Tech program history.

The Bulldogs forced four LSU turnovers in the first half, marking the most turnovers LA Tech had forced in a game since Sept. 22, 2012, when the Bulldogs forced six turnovers against Illinois. Louisiana Tech recorded three interceptions and recovered one fumble in the first half, with Zheric Hill, McRae and Kam Franklin accounting for the interceptions. McRae forced the fumble which was recovered by Janard Lockhardt and returned 35 yards.

The defense also established itself early against the Tigers' rushing attack. LSU was held to just 13 rushing yards in the first quarter, its fewest in the opening quarter since recording 10 yards against Southeastern on Sept. 20, 2025. The Bulldogs limited LSU to 44 rushing yards in the first half, LSU's lowest first-half rushing total since it recorded 29 yards against Nicholls on Sept. 7, 2024.

The Bulldogs continued to create disruption up front, recording 11 tackles for loss in the contest. Louisiana Tech's previous game with 10 tackles for loss came against Western Kentucky on Oct. 21, 2025. The Bulldogs had not recorded double-digit tackles for loss in consecutive games since 2019, when they did so against UMass on Oct. 12 and Southern Miss on Oct. 19.

McRae finished with 11 tackles, including five solo stops and six assists, while Alonzo Jackson Jr. led Louisiana Tech with 12 tackles and added three sacks and 3.5 tackles for loss.

Offensively, Jalen Mickens provided Louisiana Tech's biggest spark, hauling in six passes for 101 yards and a 67-yard touchdown from Blake Baker in the fourth quarter. Baker completed 11 of 21 passes for 128 yards and one touchdown, while Trey Kukuk added three completions for 15 yards.

Mickens is the first Bulldog with consecutive games posting 100 receiving yards since Tru Edwards in 2024. He had 127 yards receiving on six catches with a touchdown against Middle Tennessee followed with nine catches for 110 yards and two scores at New Mexico State.

Louisiana Tech was held to 132 total yards of offense, its lowest total since recording 154 yards at LSU on Sept. 6, 2025.

The Bulldogs are back on the road next week, heading to Waco, Texas to face Baylor at McLane Stadium on Saturday, September 19. It will be the seventh all-time meeting between the two programs, and the first meeting since 1996. The Bulldogs have not made a visit to the Bears in Waco since 1994.

Team Statistics	LA Tech	LSU
First Downs	8	26
Net Yards Rushing	-4	147
Net Yards Passing	143	381
Comp. - Att. - Int.	14-24-1	27-41-3
Avg. / Att.	6.0	9.3
Avg. / Comp.	10.2	14.1
TDs	1	1
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	139	528
Plays	55	84
Avg. / Play	2.5	6.3
Fumbles - Lost	3-2	1-1
Penalties - Yards	5-50	10-101
PUNTS-YARDS	6-294	3-130
Avg. / Punt	49.0	43.3
Inside 20	0	2
50+ Yards	4	1
Touchbacks	1	0
Fair Catch	0	1
KICKOFFS-YARDS	3-193	9-585
Avg. Yards / Kickoff	64.3	65.0
Touchbacks	2	8
RETURNS		
Punt: Total - Yards - TDs	1-2-0	4-44-0
Punt: Avg. / Return	2.0	11.0
Kickoff: Total - Yards - TDs	1-32-0	0-0-0
INT: Total - Yards - TDs	3-125-1	1-32-0
Possession Time	25:48	34:12
Sacks: Total - Yards	5-28	8-39
PAT: Total - Made	2-2	4-4
Field Goals: Total - Made	0-1	3-3

Scoring Summary

1st 06:36 LSU - #80 Starzyk, Scott 29 yd field goal
1st 03:46 LSU - Leavitt, Sam 5 yd run (Starzyk, Scott kick)
2nd 01:53 LAT - McRae, Jordan 100 yd interception (Kent, Kaegen kick)
3rd 10:12 LSU - Starzyk, Scott 25 yd field goal
3rd 04:32 LSU - Leavitt, Sam 9 yd run (Starzyk, Scott kick)
3rd 02:12 LSU - Starzyk, Scott 23 yd field goal
4th 13:32 LSU - Leavitt, Sam 5 yd run (Starzyk, Scott kick)
4th 09:39 LSU - Green, Trey'Dez 10 yd pass from Leavitt, Sam (Starzyk, Scott kick)
4th 08:08 LAT - Mickens, Jalen 67 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Kent, Kaegen kick)
4th 01:48 LSU - Clark, Landen 7 yd run (Starzyk, Scott kick)

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
LA Tech	0	7	0	7	14
LSU	10	0	14	21	45

Stadium: Tiger Stadium
Kickoff Time: 6:32 p.m.
End of Game: 10:00 p.m.
Attendance: 102,321



WACO, Texas – Louisiana Tech built an early offensive rhythm and continued to create opportunities defensively, but Baylor pulled away in the second half as the Bulldogs fell 36-19 to the Bears Saturday afternoon at McLane Stadium.

LA Tech (1-2) opened the game with its longest opening drive against a Power Four opponent in the 21st century, marching 75 yards on 15 plays over 6:59. Quarterback Trey Kukuk completed his first four passes of the game, including a 31-yard completion to Jalen Mickens, before Andrew Burnette capped the possession with a 2-yard touchdown run to tie the game at 7-7. The Bulldogs converted all three of their third-down attempts on their first possession.

Baylor (2-1) answered with a pair of second-quarter touchdowns to take a 20-7 lead. The Bears' second touchdown came on a 51-yard pass from Nate Bennett to Louis Brown IV, but LA Tech's Kam Franklin blocked the ensuing extra point to keep the deficit at 13 points.

The Bulldogs continued to generate defensive plays before halftime. Kolbe Fields led Louisiana Tech with seven tackles through two quarters and recorded a sack, while Alonzo Jackson Jr., Jadon Mayfield and ZaQwaun Nunn each added tackles for loss. Nunn also forced a fumble late in the second quarter that was recovered by Mayfield.

Baylor extended its advantage to 29-7 in the third quarter, but Louisiana Tech continued to fight. Eli Finley caught a 19-yard touchdown pass from Kukuk with 8:18 remaining, and Jalen Mickens added a 2-yard rushing touchdown less than three minutes later to cut the deficit to 29-19.

Baylor answered with another touchdown to put the game away. Bennett finished 21-of-24 for 253 yards and three touchdowns, while Jayden McGowan caught two touchdown passes. Kukuk led the Bulldogs with 75 rushing yards and completed 25 of 44 passes for 223 yards and a touchdown.

Finley posted season-best marks for the season with eight receptions for 65 yards and a touchdown, while Mickens finished with four catches for 63 yards. Marcus Calwise Jr. added four receptions for 36 yards—both new single-game highs as a Bulldog for the Eastern Kentucky transfer.

With the loss, Louisiana Tech falls to 1-6 all-time against Baylor and 1-4 in games played in Waco, with Saturday's game being the first-ever meeting at McLane Stadium. The Bulldogs will enter a bye week before hosting Army at home inside Joe Aillet Stadium on Saturday, October 3 for a rematch from the 2024 Independence Bowl. Kickoff with the Black Knights in Ruston is to be announced at a later date.

Team Statistics	LA Tech	Baylor
First Downs	25	22
Net Yards Rushing	139	165
Net Yards Passing	223	253
Comp. - Att. - Int.	25-44-1	21-24-0
Avg. / Att.	5.1	10.5
Avg. / Comp.	8.9	12.0
TDs	1	3
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	362	418
Plays	78	68
Avg. / Play	4.6	6.1
Fumbles - Lost	1-1	3-2
Penalties - Yards	9-81	10-90
PUNTS-YARDS	3-115	2-106
Avg. / Punt	38.3	53.0
Inside 20	1	0
50+ Yards	0	1
Touchbacks	0	1
Fair Catch	1	1
KICKOFFS-YARDS	2-130	7-454
Avg. Yards / Kickoff	65.0	64.9
Touchbacks	2	4
RETURNS		
Punt: Total - Yards - TDs	0-0-0	1-4-0
Punt: Avg. / Return	0.0	4.0
Kickoff: Total - Yards - TDs	2-33-0	0-0-0
INT: Total - Yards - TDs	0-0-0	1-0-0
Possession Time	32:18	27:42
Sacks: Total - Yards	3-23	1-0
PAT: Total - Made	1-1	3-4
Field Goals: Total - Made	0-1	1-1

Scoring Summary

1st 10:37 BAY - Bennett, Nate 25 yd run (Armstrong, Rhett kick)
1st 03:38 LAT - Burnette, Andrew 2 yd run (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 12:08 BAY - Pendergrass, Dawson 1 yd run (Armstrong, Rhett kick)
2nd 10:38 BAY - Brown IV, Louis 51 yd pass from Bennett, Nate (XP blocked by Hardy, Grayson)
3rd 10:14 BAY - McGowan, Jayden 43 yd pass from Bennett, Nate (2pt failed)
3rd 01:45 BAY - Armstrong, Rhett 23 yd field goal
4th 08:18 LAT - Finley, Eli 19 yd pass from Kukuk, Trey (2pt failed)
4th 05:14 LAT - Mickens, Jalen 2 yd run (2pt failed)
4th 04:10 BAY - McGowan, Jayden 36 yd pass from Bennett, Nate (Armstrong, Rhett kick)

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
LA Tech	7	0	0	12	19
Baylor	7	13	9	7	36

Stadium: McLane Stadium
Kickoff Time: 3:05 p.m.
End of Game: 6:30 p.m.
Attendance: 41,343



RUSTON – Louisiana Tech used an explosive offensive performance and held off a late Army rally to earn a 31-29 victory Saturday night at Origin Bank Field at Joe Aillet Stadium.

The Bulldogs (2-2) piled up 503 yards of total offense, including 244 on the ground and 259 through the air, while averaging 8.8 yards per play. It marked Louisiana Tech's second 500-yard performance of the season, joining its 528-yard outing against Northwestern State on Sept. 5.

The victory marked Louisiana Tech's first in four all-time meetings against Army (2-2) and extended the Bulldogs' home winning streak to four games.

Louisiana Tech struck first with an 83-yard opening drive that ended with Sergio Snider breaking free for a 24-yard touchdown untouched by a defender on fourth down. Snider entered the night with just 17 rushing yards on the season before recording his second rushing touchdown of the year. The score extended Tech's streak to seven consecutive home games scoring on its opening possession and six straight with an opening-drive touchdown.

Army answered with Zach Mundell's 21-yard touchdown run, but Louisiana Tech regained the advantage late in the second quarter. Starting at its own 4-yard line, the Bulldogs needed just four plays to travel 96 yards as Dylone Brooks broke loose for a 72-yard touchdown, sending Tech into halftime with a 14-7 advantage. Brooks appeared to have gotten stuck in a pile of linemen, but somehow broke free for the long run and score.

After Army opened the second half with a 54-yard touchdown run by Samari Howard and a successful two-point conversion to take a 15-14 lead, the Bulldogs responded immediately. On the ensuing possession, wide receiver Marcus Calwise Jr. connected with Brooks for a 74-yard touchdown on his first career touchdown pass. Trey Kukuk tossed a lateral pass to the right side of the field to Calwise, who then launched a pass across the field to a wide-open Brooks for his second score of the game.

Kukuk then found Jalen Mickens for the two-point conversion to put Tech back in front, 22-15. Brooks' touchdown gave him the first multi-touchdown game of his career and marked his first game with both a rushing and receiving score.

The Bulldogs stretched the advantage to 28-15 later in the third when Kukuk capped a 65-yard drive with a 7-yard touchdown run.

Army cut the deficit to 28-22 early in the fourth quarter, but Louisiana Tech answered with a 10-play, 61-yard possession that took 5:43 off the clock. Hunter Rioux finished the drive with a 32-yard field goal to push the advantage back to nine with 7:28 remaining.

The Black Knights pulled within two on Cale Hellums' 6-yard touchdown pass to Parker Poloskey with 1:07 remaining, but Louisiana Tech secured the ensuing onside kick attempt and ran out the remaining time to seal the victory.

Brooks powered the Tech offense with a career night, rushing for 119 yards on seven carries while adding 81 receiving yards on two catches to finish with exactly 200 all-purpose yards. He became the first Bulldog to eclipse 200 all-purpose yards in a game since Smoke Harris totaled 208 against Western Kentucky on Oct. 5, 2023.

Kukuk completed 16 of 22 passes for 185 yards while adding 40 rushing yards and a touchdown. Mickens recorded a career-high and game-high eight receptions despite being held to a season-low 45 receiving yards, while Eli Finley added four receptions for 79 yards.

Defensively, Jadon Mayfield and Kolbe Fields each recorded a game-high 13 tackles. Alonzo Jackson Jr. registered Tech's lone sack, while Jordan McRae intercepted Hellums late in the second quarter. Punter Lexington Matthews was only called on to punt twice in Saturday's win, tying his season low for punts in a single game. However, Matthews tied his season high with each of his punts landing inside the 20-yard line, along with his fifth boot of at least 50 yards.

Louisiana Tech's 31 points were its most ever against Army, surpassing the previous high of 16 in the 2013 neutral-site meeting in Dallas. The victory was also the Bulldogs' second in program history over a U.S. service academy, joining the 48-45 win over No. 25 Navy in the 2016 Armed Forces Bowl. Tech improved to 3-5 all-time against teams from the American Athletic Conference.

The Bulldogs now look ahead to their first-ever Sun Belt game when they open conference play against in-state rival UL-Lafayette on Saturday, October 10. The Bulldogs' and Ragin' Cajuns' first meeting since 2015 is set for 6:30 p.m. CT on ESPN+, with LA Tech entering boasting an eight-game winning streak against ULL. The Bulldogs lead the all-time series, 48-33-6.

Team Statistics	Army	LA Tech
First Downs	25	20
Net Yards Rushing	270	244
Net Yards Passing	151	259
Comp. - Att. - Int.	12-24-1	17-24-0
Avg. / Att.	6.3	10.8
Avg. / Comp.	12.6	15.2
TDs	1	1
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	421	503
Plays	69	57
Avg. / Play	6.1	8.8
Fumbles - Lost	0-0	1-0
Penalties - Yards	6-65	10-76
PUNTS-YARDS	3-148	2-95
Avg. / Punt	49.3	47.5
Inside 20	1	2
50+ Yards	2	1
Touchbacks	1	0
Fair Catch	0	0
KICKOFFS-YARDS	5-261	6-384
Avg. Yards / Kickoff	52.2	64.0
Touchbacks	0	5
RETURNS		
Punt: Total - Yards - TDs	2-(-4)-0	0-0-0
Punt: Avg. / Return	-2.0	0.0
Kickoff: Total - Yards - TDs	1-18-0	3-65-0
INT: Total - Yards - TDs	0-0-0	1-1-0
Possession Time	32:05	27:55
Sacks: Total - Yards	0-0	1-5
PAT: Total - Made	3-3	2-3
Field Goals: Total - Made	0-0	1-2

Scoring Summary

1st 08:32 LAT - Snider, Sergio 24 yd run (Rioux, Hunter kick)
1st 03:51 AWP - Mundell, Zach 21 yd run (Jones, Dawson kick)
2nd 04:15 LAT - Brooks, Dylone 72 yd run (Rioux, Hunter kick)
3rd 12:58 AWP - Howard, Samari 54 yd run (Hellums, Cale rush)
3rd 11:47 LAT - Brooks, Dylone 74 yd pass from Calwise Jr. Marcus (Mickens, Jalen pass from Kukuk, Trey)
3rd 06:07 LAT - Kukuk, Trey 7 yd run (Rioux, Hunter kick missed)
4th 13:11 AWP - Hellums, Cale 1 yd run (Jones, Dawson kick)
4th 07:28 LAT - Rioux, Hunter 32 yd field goal
4th 01:07 AWP - Poloskey, Parker 6 yd pass from Hellums, Cale (Jones, Dawson kick)

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Army	7	0	0	12	19
LA Tech	7	13	9	7	36

Stadium: Origin Bank Field at Joe Aillet Stadium
Kickoff Time: 6:31 p.m.
End of Game: 9:57 p.m.
Attendance: 18,326



RUSTON – Louisiana Tech erased a 12-point fourth-quarter deficit and scored the go-ahead touchdown with 46 seconds remaining to defeat in-state rival UL-Lafayette, 32-31, Saturday night at Origin Bank Field at Joe Aillet Stadium, securing the Bulldogs' first-ever Sun Belt Conference football victory in program history.

The Bulldogs (3-2, 1-0 SBC) earned their 49th all-time victory over the Ragin' Cajuns (4-2, 1-1 SBC), improving to 49-33-6 in the series while extending their winning streak over UL-Lafayette to nine consecutive games. The victory also marked Louisiana Tech's fifth consecutive victory at Joe Aillet Stadium.

Quarterback Blake Baker led the offensive effort, completing 32 of 42 passes for 319 yards and three touchdowns while adding a rushing score. Eli Finley recorded nine receptions for 114 yards and two touchdowns, while Talyn Shettron added eight catches for 102 yards. Jalen Mickens finished with nine receptions for 92 yards and a touchdown.

After a scoreless opening quarter, Louisiana Tech struck first when Baker connected with Finley for a 10-yard touchdown early in the second quarter. UL-Lafayette answered with 10 consecutive points before the Bulldogs regained the lead on a 14-yard touchdown pass from Baker to Mickens with 1:48 remaining in the half, giving Tech a 13-10 advantage at the break following a missed extra point.

The Ragin' Cajuns took control in the third quarter, scoring on touchdown runs by JJ Garner and Trenton Chaney to build a 24-13 lead entering the fourth.

Louisiana Tech responded with an eight-play, 76-yard touchdown drive capped by a 3-yard rushing score from Mickens to cut the deficit to 24-19. UL-Lafayette answered just over a minute later on a 45-yard touchdown pass from Lunch Winfield to KeDarius Wade, extending its advantage to 31-19 with 11:34 remaining.

The Bulldogs mounted their comeback within the final four minutes, with Baker capping an eight-play, 63-yard possession with a 12-yard touchdown run to pull Tech within five at 31-26 with 3:44 remaining.

After the Bulldog defense forced a three-and-out, Louisiana Tech took over at its own 34-yard line with 2:41 remaining. Baker directed an eight-play, 66-yard drive before finding Finley for a 7-yard touchdown with 46 seconds left, giving the Bulldogs a 32-31 lead.

The Louisiana Tech defense sealed the victory on UL-Lafayette's ensuing possession when Jordan McRae intercepted Winfield with 27 seconds remaining.

Tech finished with 485 yards of total offense, including 338 through the air and 147 on the ground, while converting seven of 13 third-down attempts. The Bulldogs controlled possession for 33:18 and recorded 28 first downs.

Defensively, Sam Fongang led Louisiana Tech with a career-high nine tackles, while Alonzo Jackson Jr. and Taeden Rogers added seven apiece. Jackson Jr. also recorded a sack, forced fumble and fumble recovery, while Jordan McRae and Carter each registered interceptions.

The Bulldogs will return to Sun Belt action Saturday, Oct. 17, when they travel to Monroe to face ULM.

Team Statistics	ULL	LA Tech
First Downs	22	28
Net Yards Rushing	160	147
Net Yards Passing	239	338
Comp. - Att. - Int.	14-24-2	33-43-0
Avg. / Att.	10.0	7.9
Avg. / Comp.	17.1	10.2
TDs	1	3
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	399	485
Plays	58	77
Avg. / Play	6.9	6.3
Fumbles - Lost	1-1	3-2
Penalties - Yards	3-16	8-81
PUNTS-YARDS	3-123	3-148
Avg. / Punt	41.0	49.3
Inside 20	1	1
50+ Yards	0	1
Touchbacks	0	1
Fair Catch	1	1
KICKOFFS-YARDS	6-343	6-397
Avg. Yards / Kickoff	57.2	66.2
Touchbacks	0	4
RETURNS		
Punt: Total - Yards - TDs	0-0-0	2-4-0
Punt: Avg. / Return	0.0	2.0
Kickoff: Total - Yards - TDs	2-48-0	5-102-0
INT: Total - Yards - TDs	0-0-0	2-27-0
Possession Time	26:42	33:18
Sacks: Total - Yards	1-0	2-11
PAT: Total - Made	4-4	2-3
Field Goals: Total - Made	1-1	0-1

Scoring Summary

2nd 14:53 LAT - Finley, Eli 10 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Rioux, Hunter kick)
2nd 10:45 ULL - Winfield, Lunch 7 yd run (Sterner, Tony kick)
2nd 06:52 ULL - Sterner, Tony 30 yd field goal
2nd 01:48 LAT - Mickens, Jalen 14 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Rioux, Hunter missed kick)
3rd 09:51 ULL - Garner, JJ 20 yd run (Sterner, Tony kick)
3rd 01:50 ULL - Chaney, Trenton 25 yd run (Sterner, Tony kick)
4th 13:01 LAT - Mickens, Jalen 3 yd run (Baker, Blake pass attempt failed)
4th 11:34 ULL - Wade, KeDarius 45 yd pass from Winfield, Lunch (Sterner, Tony kick)
4th 03:44 LAT - Baker, Blake 12 yd run (Rioux, Hunter kick)
4th 00:46 LAT - Finley, Eli 7 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Baker, Blake rush attempt failed)

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
UL-Lafayette	0	10	14	7	31
LA Tech	0	13	0	19	32

Stadium: Origin Bank Field at Joe Aillet Stadium
Kickoff Time: 6:32 p.m.
End of Game: 9:47 p.m.
Attendance: 20,035



MONROE, La. – Louisiana Tech used a dominant defensive performance and three second-half touchdowns to shut out in-state rival ULM, 24-0, Saturday night at FMOL Health | St. Francis Stadium, extending its winning streak to three games while remaining unbeaten in Sun Belt Conference play.

The Bulldogs (4-2, 2-0 SBC) earned their first shutout since defeating Southeastern Louisiana, 24-0, in the 2025 season opener and their first shutout victory in Monroe since a 23-0 win over ULM (0-6, 0-2 SBC) in 1988.

After a scoreless first half, Louisiana Tech seized control when Taeden Rogers intercepted a ULM pass on the opening play of the third quarter. The turnover sparked the Bulldogs' offense, which capitalized on the short field with a touchdown drive capped by Sergio Snider's 5-yard scoring run, his third rushing touchdown of the season.

Louisiana Tech's defense continued to control the contest, forcing consecutive three-and-outs following the opening touchdown. The Bulldogs extended their lead later in the third quarter when quarterback Blake Baker connected with Brayden Bockler on a 2-yard shovel pass for Bockler's first touchdown as a Bulldog.

The Bulldogs added another touchdown in the fourth quarter following a 56-yard reverse by Marcus Calwise Jr. that moved the ball deep into ULM territory. Baker capped the possession with a 1-yard touchdown pass to Bockler, giving the tight end his first career multi-touchdown receiving performance.

Louisiana Tech's defense delivered another pivotal play in the fourth quarter when Kam Franklin intercepted a pass and returned it 66 yards to the ULM 10-yard line. Kaegen Kent followed with a 21-yard field goal to extend the Bulldogs' lead to 24-0.

The Warhawks threatened to break the shutout on their final possession, advancing inside the Louisiana Tech 20-yard line before the Bulldog defense forced a turnover on downs with 1:38 remaining. Trey Kukuk later converted a first down on an 11-yard run to seal the victory.

Calwise highlighted the Bulldogs' offensive production with career highs of eight receptions and 119 receiving yards. Andrew Burnette recorded his third consecutive game with at least 50 rushing yards, while Bockler finished with two touchdown receptions.

Defensively, Louisiana Tech recorded multiple interceptions for the second consecutive game and the third time this season. The Bulldogs have now forced at least one turnover in nine consecutive games dating back to 2025.

The victory marked Louisiana Tech's first three-game winning streak since the end of the 2025 season and gave the Bulldogs their ninth consecutive victory over ULM.

Team Statistics	LA Tech	ULM
First Downs	18	12
Net Yards Rushing	160	63
Net Yards Passing	180	165
Comp. - Att. - Int.	16-23-1	17-29-2
Avg. / Att.	7.8	5.7
Avg. / Comp.	11.2	9.7
TDs	2	0
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	340	228
Plays	66	55
Avg. / Play	5.2	4.1
Fumbles - Lost	0-0	1-0
Penalties - Yards	4-37	11-118
PUNTS-YARDS	3-141	7-260
Avg. / Punt	47.0	37.1
Inside 20	0	0
50+ Yards	1	0
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair Catch	1	2
KICKOFFS-YARDS	5-310	1-65
Avg. Yards / Kickoff	62.0	65.0
Touchbacks	2	0
RETURNS		
Punt: Total - Yards - TDs	2-80-0	2-23-0
Punt: Avg. / Return	40.0	11.5
Kickoff: Total - Yards - TDs	1-12-0	0-0-0
INT: Total - Yards - TDs	2-64-0	1-(-1)-0
Possession Time	31:31	25:59
Sacks: Total - Yards	0-0	4-20
PAT: Total - Made	3-3	0-0
Field Goals: Total - Made	1-4	0-0

Scoring Summary

3rd 11:54 LAT - Snider, Sergio 5 yd run (Kent, Kaegen kick)
3rd 04:07 LAT - Bockler, Brayden 2 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Kent, Kaegen kick)
4th 09:18 LAT - Bockler, Brayden 2 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Kent, Kaegen kick)
4th 03:47 LAT - Kent, Kaegen 21 yd field goal

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
LA Tech	0	0	14	10	24
ULM	0	0	0	0	0

Stadium: FMOL Health | St. Francis Stadium
Kickoff Time: 7:02 p.m.
End of Game: 10:05 p.m.
Attendance: 20,653



RUSTON – Louisiana Tech continued its dominant defensive stretch Saturday afternoon, shutting out Old Dominion, 26-0, in front of 20,444 fans at Joe Aillet Stadium to secure its fourth consecutive victory and remain unbeaten in Sun Belt Conference play.

The Bulldogs (5-2, 3-0 SBC) recorded back-to-back shutouts for the first time since 1959, holding the Monarchs (2-6, 1-4 SBC) to just 141 yards of total offense, including minus-13 rushing yards. The victory marked Louisiana Tech's first win over Old Dominion in program history and its first 3-0 start in conference play since 2019.

Louisiana Tech's defense registered 13 tackles for loss, six sacks and an interception while limiting Old Dominion to 13 first downs. The Bulldogs have now held opponents scoreless in eight consecutive quarters following last week's 24-0 victory at ULM.

Offensively, quarterback Blake Baker completed 28 of 34 passes for 303 yards and a touchdown while adding a rushing score. Eli Finley recorded a career-high 10 receptions for 128 yards and a touchdown, while Jalen Mickens added eight catches for 110 yards, giving Louisiana Tech two 100-yard receivers in the same game for the second time this season.

The Bulldogs wasted little time establishing control, marching 75 yards on 15 plays during their opening possession. Baker capped the 6:19 drive with a 4-yard touchdown run to give Tech an early 7-0 advantage. The drive featured three third-down conversions as the Bulldogs continued their streak of scoring on their opening possession at home.

Following a defensive stop, Louisiana Tech extended its lead with a five-play, 66-yard drive highlighted by a 31-yard reception from Mickens and a 21-yard completion to Finley. Trey Kukuk finished the possession with a 5-yard touchdown run, pushing the Bulldogs' advantage to 14-0 with 3:27 remaining in the opening quarter.

Tech added to its lead early in the second quarter when Hunter Rioux connected on a 49-yard field goal, matching his season long and sending the Bulldogs into halftime with a 17-0 advantage.

Louisiana Tech controlled the opening half on both sides of the ball, outgaining Old Dominion while limiting the Monarchs to just 57 total yards, including minus-17 yards rushing. The Bulldogs converted eight of 11 third-down opportunities and held possession for nearly 21 minutes before halftime.

The Bulldogs continued their offensive production in the third quarter, assembling an 11-play, 61-yard scoring drive capped by a 2-yard touchdown pass from Baker to Finley. Finley accounted for four receptions and 47 yards on the possession, extending Louisiana Tech's lead to 23-0 with 7:56 remaining in the period.

Kaegan Kent added a 25-yard field goal with 9:03 remaining in the fourth quarter to complete the scoring.

Louisiana Tech's defensive front continued to disrupt the Monarchs throughout the second half. Zheric Hill led the Bulldogs with 10 tackles, including 2.5 tackles for loss and half a sack, while Alonzo Jackson Jr. registered seven tackles, 2.5 tackles for loss and 1.5 sacks. Jadon Mayfield contributed 2.5 tackles for loss and two sacks, while Justice Williams added 1.5 sacks.

Amari Butler also recorded his first interception as a Bulldog, helping Louisiana Tech preserve its second consecutive shutout.

The Bulldogs finished with 438 yards of total offense, including 302 passing yards and 136 rushing yards, while converting 11 of 19 third-down opportunities. Andrew Burnette led the rushing attack with 63 yards on 20 carries. Old Dominion ended the game with -13 rushing yards, marking the first time the Bulldog defense held their opponent to negative rushing yards since October 25, 2014, when LA Tech held Southern Miss to -31 rushing yards in a 31-20 win in Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

The victory extended Louisiana Tech's home winning streak to six games, its longest since the end of the 2019 season and beginning of 2020, while its four-game overall winning streak is the program's longest since 2019.

Team Statistics	Old Dominion	LA Tech
First Downs	13	24
Net Yards Rushing	-13	136
Net Yards Passing	154	302
Comp. - Att. - Int.	18-34-1	29-35-0
Avg. / Att.	4.5	8.6
Avg. / Comp.	8.6	10.4
TDs	0	1
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	141	438
Plays	56	80
Avg. / Play	2.5	5.5
Fumbles - Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties - Yards	5-32	9-75
PUNTS-YARDS	5-203	3-117
Avg. / Punt	40.6	39.0
Inside 20	2	2
50+ Yards	0	0
Touchbacks	0	1
Fair Catch	3	1
KICKOFFS-YARDS	1-65	6-383
Avg. Yards / Kickoff	65.0	63.8
Touchbacks	1	2
RETURNS		
Punt: Total - Yards - TDs	0-0-0	2-19-0
Punt: Avg. / Return	0.0	9.5
Kickoff: Total - Yards - TDs	2-24-0	0-0-0
INT: Total - Yards - TDs	0-0-0	1-0-0
Possession Time	20:41	39:19
Sacks: Total - Yards	3-14	6-37
PAT: Total - Made	0-0	2-2
Field Goals: Total - Made	0-1	2-3

Scoring Summary

1st 08:41 LAT - Baker, Blake 4 yd run (Kent, Kaegen kick)
1st 03:27 LAT - Kukuk, Trey 5 yd run (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 09:56 LAT - Rioux, Hunter 49 yd field goal
3rd 07:56 LAT - Finley, Eli 2 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Baker, Blake pass attempt failed)
4th 09:03 LAT - Kent, Kaegen 25 yd field goal

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
ODU	0	0	0	0	0
LA Tech	14	3	6	3	26

Stadium: Origin Bank Field at Joe Aillet Stadium
Kickoff Time: 4:02 p.m.
End of Game: 7:09 p.m.
Attendance: 20,444