# LOUISIANA TECH
## 2026 BULLDOG FOOTBALL

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

**DATE/TIME:** Saturday, Nov. 28
**LOCATION:** Allen E. Paulson Stadium
**SERIES HISTORY:** Georgia Southern leads 1-0
**STREAK:** L1
**LAST MEETING:** L, 3-38 - Dec. 23, 2020 (New Orleans Bowl)
**MEDIA:** ESPN+
**TALENT:** Courtney Lyle (PxP), Rene Ingoglia (Analyst)
**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

**4** After Jalen Mickens posted 110 receiving yards on six catches with a touchdown vs. Arkansas State, he now leads all SBC pass catchers with four 100-yard games this season.

**1** LA Tech is the first team in the Sun Belt to earn a berth in the championship game in their first year as league members since the SBC Championship's game inception in 2018.

**2** LA Tech is one of two FBS programs alongside Texas Tech to have interceptions returned for touchdowns on consecutive drives. On record, this is the first such occurrence in program history.

**7** The Bulldogs are 7-0 in conference play for the first time in program history as a Division I FBS member. LA Tech's eight-game winning streak is also its longest since 2019.

## A LA TECH WIN...

- Would be Sonny Cumbie's 29th coaching win at LA Tech and 31st win of his career
- Would give LA Tech it's second undefeated conference season as a Division I member and the first since 1982
- Would extend LA Tech's winning streak to nine games--the longest such streak since LA Tech's 1974 national championship season
- Would give LA Tech its first 10-win season since 2019
- Would make LA Tech 13-2 in their last 15 games--the first time recording 13 wins in a 15-game span since 2011-2012



**LOUISIANA TECH** BULLDOGS (8-2, 6-0 SBC)
**Head Coach:** Sonny Cumbie
**Record at LA Tech:** 27-33 (5th year)
**Career Record:** 29-36 (6th year)
**Coaching Record vs. Georgia Southern:** 0-0

**AT**



**GEORGIA SOUTHERN** EAGLES (7-4, 6-1 SBC)
**Head Coach:** Clay Helton
**Record at Georgia Southern:** 34-29 (5th Year)
**Career Record:** 80-53 (13th Year)
**Coaching Record vs. LA Tech:** 0-0

## BULLDOG STORYLINES AND LEADERS

- The Bulldogs have received for a second-straight week following their 48-3 win at home over Arkansas State. After receiving 14 votes in the Week 11 AP Poll, they have received 31 votes in the Week 12 AP Poll, trailing just New Mexico (95), Nebraska (90), UTSA (75), Kentucky (62) and Washington (39) among teams outside the Top 25.
- Louisiana Tech's offense has been hot all season long, leading the Sun Belt in conference-only games in passing efficiency (179.32), completion percentage (74.18%), passing yards/attempt (9.05), passing touchdowns (20), and tied for the most offensive touchdowns (34). Blake Baker has the second-highest completion percentage in the country (72.6%), trailing only Miami's Darian Mensah. Baker also has the second-best passing efficiency in FBS (181.2), trailing only Georgia's Gunner Stockton.
- Defensively, the Bulldogs lead the Sun Belt with 17 interceptions, opponents' passing efficiency of 113.35, 2.91 team sacks per game, 28 forced turnovers and a +16 turnover margin. The Bulldogs' four defensive touchdowns are tied with Notre Dame for the second-most in FBS this season, their 92 total team TFLs are tied for the third-most in the country, along with their +16 turnover margin and 28 turnovers, both top 2 in FBS.
- Alonzo Jackson Jr. is the only player in FBS this season with 18+ TFLs, 11+ sacks and 3 fumble recoveries. His 18.5 TFLs are the second-most in the country, and he is also one of four players in FBS with at least 10 sacks. With Jordan McRae's pick six vs. Southern Miss, he became the only SBC player with multiple interceptions returned for touchdowns this season.
- After Boise State's loss to San Diego State on Nov. 21, LA Tech is the only G6 team remaining that is undefeated when facing other G6 programs.



QB **BLAKE BAKER**
2,031 PASSING YDS | 181.24 RATING | 24 TOTAL TDS



WR **JALEN MICKENS**
61 REC | 805 REC. YARDS | 7 TOTAL TDS



TE **ELI FINLEY**
57 REC | 709 REC. YARDS | 8 REC. TDS



LB **ALONZO JACKSON JR.**
82 TACKLES | 18.5 TFL | 11 SACKS | 3 HURRIES | 3 FR

## 2026 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| NORTHWESTERN STATE<br>Sept. 5<br>W, 80-6 | at LSU<br>Sept. 12<br>L, 14-45 | at BAYLOR<br>Sept. 19<br>L, 19-36 | ARMY<br>Oct. 3<br>W, 31-29 | UL-LAFAYETTE*<br>Oct. 10<br>W, 32-31 | at ULM*<br>Oct. 17<br>W, 24-0 | OLD DOMINION*<br>Oct. 24<br>W, 26-0 | at SOUTH ALABAMA*<br>Oct. 31<br>W, 35-20 | at TROY*<br>Nov. 7<br>W, 41-17 | SOUTHERN MISS*<br>Nov. 14<br>W, 63-31 | ARKANSAS STATE*<br>Nov. 21<br>W, 48-3 | at GEORGIA SOUTHERN*<br>Nov. 28<br>11 a.m. CT<br>ESPNU | SBC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME<br>Dec. 4<br>6 p.m. CT<br>ESPN |

## STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS



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## QUICK FACTS

### UNIVERSITY

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|---|---|
| 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

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

### HISTORY

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|---|---|
| All-Time Record | 664-512-38 |
| 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

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|---|---|
| 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

# 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 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| 31 | Hunter Rioux | 5-10 | 170 | 4th |

| P | | | | |
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| 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 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| 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 | Director/Strategic Communications |

## ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

| No. | Name | Pos. | Ht. | Wt. | Year | Hometown/Previous School |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 77 | Aric Adcock | OL | 6-3 | 290 | 1st | Fort Worth, Texas / All Saints Episcopal School |
| 5 | Blake Baker | QB | 6-5 | 220 | 4th | Cypress, Texas / Cypress Ranch HS |
| 22 | Demarcus Belton | RB | 5-11 | 200 | 1st | Alvarado, Texas / Alvarado HS |
| 17 | Dane Benedix | WR | 6-0 | 195 | 4th | Mission Viejo, Calif. / Saddleback College |
| 57 | Tadan Bingham | OL | 6-5 | 290 | 1st | Houma, La. / Terrebonne HS |
| 87 | Brayden Bockler | TE | 6-4 | 237 | 3rd | San Juan Capistrano, Calif. / Saddleback College |
| 17 | Demario Bookhart | DB | 6-1 | 175 | 3rd | Spartanburg, S.C. / South Carolina State |
| 60 | Roy Brackins III | OL | 6-3 | 308 | 4th | Baton Rouge, La. / Woodlawn HS |
| 93 | Jacob Bradford | DL | 6-2 | 305 | 3rd | Pass Christian, Miss. / St. Stanislaus HS |
| 7 | Jackson Bradley | QB | 6-3 | 220 | 2nd | Oak Grove, La. / Oak Grove HS |
| 9 | Joshua Brantley | TE | 6-4 | 220 | 2nd | Ruston, La. / Tulane |
| 26 | Dylone Brooks | RB | 5-10 | 200 | 2nd | Ruston, La. / Ruston HS |
| 41 | Ean Burch | LS | 6-0 | 215 | 6th | Shreveport, La. / Loyola College Prep |
| 1 | Andrew Burnette | RB | 6-2 | 238 | 5th | Stuart, Fla. / Keiser |
| 2 | Amari Butler | DB | 5-10 | 186 | 4th | Petal, Miss. / Pearl River CC |
| 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:** 189-81-2
**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 | 6-0 | 4-0 |

## 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 | GASO | FBS |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Offense | 404.0 | 44 | 410.9 | 40 |
| Rushing Offense | 145.0 | 86 | 131.8 | 102 |
| Passing Offense | 259.0 | 25 | 279.1 | 18 |
| Team Passing Eff. | 170.65 | 4 | 148.89 | 40 |
| Scoring Offense | 37.5 | 15 | 28.9 | 61 |
| Total Defense | 324.0 | 33 | 297.2 | 21 |
| Rushing Defense | 122.0 | 36 | 116.3 | 28 |
| Passing Yards Allowed | 202.0 | 52 | 180.9 | 21 |
| Team Passing Eff. Def. | 113.35 | 18 | 126.31 | 51 |
| Scoring Defense | 19.8 | 30 | 18.3 | T-20 |
| Turnover Margin | 1.45 | 2 | 0.64 | T-16 |
| 3rd Down Conv. % | .427 | 44 | .429 | 42 |
| 4th Down Conv. % | .529 | 73 | .667 | T-16 |
| 3rd Down Conv. % Def. | .335 | 29 | .312 | 15 |
| 4th Down Conv. % Def. | .435 | 30 | .667 | 119 |
| Red Zone Offense | .830 | 87 | .846 | 68 |
| Red Zone Defense | .800 | 35 | .750 | 18 |
| Net Punting | 39.71 | 69 | 35.84 | 129 |
| Punt Returns | 13.76 | 18 | 6.82 | 101 |
| Kickoff Returns | 18.17 | 102 | 17.93 | 105 |
| First Downs Offense | 230 | T-46 | 239 | 32 |
| First Downs Defense | 200 | T-42 | 192 | 29 |
| Fewest Penalties PG | 6.82 | T-89 | 8.00 | 122 |
| Fewest Penalty Yards PG | 61.73 | 104 | 75.45 | 130 |
| Time of Possession | 30:27 | 59 | 32:29 | 10 |

## INSIDE THE SERIES

### Georgia Southern leads 1-0

In Ruston ..... 0-0
In Statesboro ..... 0-0
Neutral ..... 0-1
Current Streak ..... L1
Longest Win Streak ..... N/A
Most LA Tech Points ..... 3 (2020)
Most Georgia Southern Points ..... 38 (2020)
Most Combined Points ..... 41 (2020 - L, 3-38)
Biggest LA Tech Win ..... N/A
Biggest Georgia Southern Win ..... 2020 (38-3)

## SERIES SCORES

| DATE | LOCATION | SCORE |
|---|---|---|
| 2020 | New Orleans (New Orleans Bowl) | L, 3-38 |

## 2026 LEADERS

### LOUISIANA TECH LEADERS

| RUSHING | ATT. | NET | AVG. | TD | YPG |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ANDREW BURNETTE | 103 | 414 | 4.0 | 4 | 37.6 |
| TREY KUKUK | 65 | 275 | 4.2 | 2 | 27.5 |
| DYLONE BROOKS | 32 | 228 | 7.1 | 3 | 28.5 |

| PASSING | C-A-I | COMP % | YARDS | TD | YPG |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| BLAKE BAKER | 159-219-1 | 72.6 | 2031 | 21 | 203.1 |
| TREY KUKUK | 65-97-2 | 67.0 | 655 | 5 | 65.5 |

| RECEIVING | REC. | YARDS | AVG. | TD | YPG |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| JALEN MICKENS | 61 | 805 | 13.2 | 5 | 73.2 |
| ELI FINLEY | 57 | 709 | 12.4 | 8 | 64.5 |
| MARCUS CALWISE JR. | 34 | 474 | 13.9 | 4 | 43.1 |

| DEFENSE | U-A-TT | TFL | SACKS | INT | PBU |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ALONZO JACKSON JR. | 43-39-82 | 18.5 | 11.0 | 1 | 2 |
| JADON MAYFIELD | 24-45-69 | 11.0 | 4.0 | 1 | 1 |
| KOLBE FIELDS | 20-49-69 | 10.5 | 2.0 | 1 | 3 |

### GEORGIA SOUTHERN LEADERS

| RUSHING | ATT. | NET | AVG. | TD | YPG |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| DAVID MBADINGA | 69 | 357 | 5.2 | 0 | 35.7 |
| WESTON BRYAN | 52 | 281 | 5.4 | 6 | 25.6 |
| TAEO TODD | 50 | 243 | 4.9 | 2 | 22.1 |

| PASSING | C-A-I | COMP % | YARDS | TD | YPG |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| MAX JOHNSON | 246-352-3 | 69.9 | 2625 | 20 | 238.6 |

| RECEIVING | REC. | YARDS | AVG. | TD | YPG |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ALEX TAYLOR | 50 | 691 | 13.8 | 5 | 62.8 |
| JOSH DALLAS | 56 | 448 | 8.0 | 1 | 40.7 |
| JEREMIAH WARE | 27 | 411 | 15.2 | 3 | 41.1 |

| DEFENSE | U-A-TT | TFL | SACKS | INT | PBU |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| BRANDON TYSON | 33-39-72 | 4.5 | 2.5 | 1 | 2 |
| JAKYRI JONES | 28-30-58 | 2.5 | 1.0 | 1 | 3 |

## MATCHUP NOTES

- Saturday will be just the second all-time meeting between LA Tech and Georgia Southern
- It is going to be the first regular-season meeting and first as conference opponents
- The Eagles defeated the Bulldogs, 38-3, in their inaugural matchup in the 2020 New Orleans Bowlt

## SITUATIONALLY

| SITUATION | 2026 | Cumbie |
|---|---|---|
| Playing at Joe Aillet Stadium | 6-0 | 19-9 |
| Playing on the road | 3-2 | 7-23 |
| Playing on a neutral field | 0-0 | 1-1 |
| Playing at night | 6-1 | 18-19 |
| Playing during the day | 3-1 | 9-14 |
| LA Tech scores on first possession | 6-1 | 19-7 |
| Opponent scores on first possession | 5-1 | 7-12 |
| LA Tech scores first | 7-0 | 20-7 |
| Opponent scores first | 2-2 | 7-24 |
| LA Tech leads after 1st quarter | 4-0 | 19-8 |
| Opponent leads after 1st quarter | 2-1 | 5-20 |
| Tied after 1st quarter | 3-1 | 3-5 |
| LA Tech leads at halftime | 8-0 | 21-5 |
| Opponent leads at halftime | 0-2 | 4-18 |
| Tied at halftime | 1-0 | 2-1 |
| LA Tech leads after 3rd quarter | 8-0 | 23-2 |
| 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 | 8-0 | 20-5 |
| Opponent has more total yards | 1-2 | 7-17 |
| LA Tech has more rushing yards | 5-0 | 19-4 |
| Opponent has more rushing yards | 4-2 | 9-28 |
| LA Tech has more passing yards | 9-0 | 17-20 |
| Opponent has more passing yards | 0-2 | 10-14 |
| LA Tech has more turnovers | 0-0 | 5-14 |
| Opponent has more turnovers | 9-0 | 22-10 |
| Teams have equal turnovers | 0-2 | 0-9 |
| LA Tech has more penalties | 5-0 | 12-13 |
| Opponent has more penalties | 4-2 | 13-13 |
| Teams have equal penalties | 0-0 | 2-5 |
| LA Tech has more time of possession | 4-1 | 17-15 |
| Opponent has more time of possession | 5-1 | 10-19 |
| 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 | 9-0 | 25-18 |
| Opponent scores at least 20 points | 4-2 | 9-30 |
| LA Tech throws for 300 yards | 4-0 | 7-7 |
| Opponent throws for 300 yards | 0-1 | 3-4 |
| Playing on natural grass | 0-1 | 0-7 |
| Playing on artificial surface | 9-1 | 27-27 |
| LA Tech defense scores | 2-1 | 13-2 |
| Opponent defense scores | 1-0 | 2-5 |

## BULLDOG NOTES

### MORE MICKENS MAGIC

It had been four weeks since his last game cracking the century mark in receiving yards… until November 21. Jalen Mickens picked up his Sun Belt-leading fourth 100-yard game after securing 110 yards on six receptions and a touchdown. It was his sixth game with 6+ catches along with catching his seventh receiving touchdown and ninth total touchdown of the season. Entering Week 13, Mickens is one of two players in the Sun Belt with 60+ receptions and 800+ yards thus far. He is also one of four players along with teammate Eli Finley to average 5+ receptions per game.

### 9 FOR 100

After Eli Finley posted 104 receiving yards vs. Southern Miss on Nov. 14, the Bulldogs improved to nine total 100-yard receiving performances by four separate players--both of which lead all Sun Belt programs. Finley and Jalen Mickens each have three such performances (both tied for the most in the SBC) followed by Marcus Calwise Jr. with two. Talyn Shettron also contributed with 102 receiving yards vs. UL-Lafayette on Oct. 10.

### BULLDOGS RECEIVING VOTES

For the first time since 2019, Louisiana Tech has received votes in the AP's College Football Top 25 Poll. The Bulldogs received 14 votes in the Week 11 poll, trailing Oklahoma (95), LSU (91), Duke (62), UTSA (36), New Mexico (32) and South Carolina (31) among teams sitting outside the Top 25.

The Bulldogs continued receiving votes following their 48-3 win at home over Arkansas State. LA Tech received 31 votes in the Week 12 poll, trailing New Mexico (95), Nebraska (90), UTSA (75), Kentucky (62) and Washington (39) among teams outside the Top 25.

### CHAMPIONSHIP BOUND!

With their 63-31 win over Southern Miss, the Bulldogs clinched a berth in the Sun Belt Championship Game on December 4 in their first season as an SBC member. The Bulldogs are the first SBC team to reach the conference championship game in their first year of membership since the SBC Championship Game's inception in 2018. It is also the first time the Bulldogs will play in a conference championship game since 2016, when they were Conference USA West Division champions. LA Tech has not won a conference championship since 2011 as members of the Western Athletic Conference (WAC) as well as never having won a conference championship game they played in.

### TECH #TAKERS

The Bulldogs have 14 consecutive games forcing a turnover dating back to the 2025 season, with 24 interceptions and 11 fumble recoveries in that span. LA Tech also has a turnover forced in 22 of their last 24 games since the start of last year. Among those contests, the Bulldogs have forced multiple turnovers in 14 of them. Since the start of 2025, the Bulldogs have picked off opponents on 39 separate occasions along with 14 fumble recoveries. Since the start of 2025, the Bulldogs' 53 turnovers forced and 10 multi-interception games are the most among all FBS programs.

### BAKING WITH EFFICIENCY

Quarterback Blake Baker enters Week 13 with the second-highest completion percentage (72.6%) and second-highest passing efficiency (181.2) in FBS. He is also the only Sun Belt quarterback with 20+ passing touchdowns and less than 3 interceptions. He is coming off a stellar game with a career-high four passing touchdowns and adding a score on the ground. His performance against Arkansas State was the third time this season to have 290+ passing yards, multiple touchdowns and no interceptions. Baker also leads the Sun Belt with 14.4 points responsible for per game, which ranks among the top 30 nationally.

### 10 TURNOVERS… IN 2 GAMES?!

The Bulldog defense has kept their previous two opposing offenses in check, posting back-to-back games with five turnovers forced and scoring a defensive touchdown. In LA Tech's 41-17 victory at Troy, they had one interception and four fumble recoveries--one of which was returned 66 yards for a touchdown by linebacker Alonzo Jackson Jr. In the following game against Southern Miss at home, the Bulldogs picked off Golden Eagles QB John White four times--two of which were returned for touchdowns by Jadon Mayfield (36 yards) and Jordan McRae (89 yards) on back-to-back drives. It is the first time in at least the last 25 seasons the Bulldogs have back-to-back drives with a pick six.

### ALONZO IN THE ZONE

Third-year linebacker Alonzo Jackson Jr. had a stellar performance at Troy, making 11 total tackles along with 2.5 tackles for a loss, 2 sacks and a 66-yard fumble recovery for a touchdown. His performance gave him Week 10 SBC Defensive Player of the Week honors. It was his third game making at least 10 stops and sixth with at least one sack. Jackson is the only player in the country with 17+ TFLs, 10+ sacks and 3 fumble recoveries.

## CAREER DAY FOR CALWISE

Wide receiver Marcus Calwise Jr. set new career highs with 9 receptions and 137 receiving yards, while also adding his third receiving touchdown as a Bulldog in Saturday's 41-17 win at Troy. It is the second time Calwise has posted 100+ receiving yards in a game, giving LA Tech SBC bests with eight total 100-yard recieving performances by a conference-leading four different players.

## 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 1,144 passing yards on a completion rate of 76.5% and an efficiency rating of 174.31, 12 total touchdowns and no interceptions. 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 was a new single-game career high for the Cypress, Texas native.

## SPREADING THE WEALTH

Lousiana Tech has seen eight 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 was 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.

## SWARMING DEFENSE

Louisiana Tech's defense entered Week 10 leading the Sun Belt with 10 interceptions, a conference-best 8.4 TFLs/game and 67 total team TFLs for the second-most. The Bulldogs also lead the Sun Belt in turnovers gained (16), and are top 3 in the conference in opposing 4th-down conversions (.333), passing defense (197.3), scoring defense (20.9), opposing passing efficiency (118.81), team sacks (2.75/game) and total defense (332.6). Alonzo Jackson Jr.'s two fumble recoveries are in a massive tie for the fourth-most in FBS and an eight-man tie for the most in the Sun Belt. Janard Lockhardt's 1.25 passes defended/game are tied for the fifth-most in the country and second-most in the SBC, and Jordan McRae's Bulldog-leading three picks are tied for the third-most in the SBC and top 20 in the country.

## 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** | | |
| Georgia Southern | 7-4 | 6-1 |
| James Madison | 8-3 | 5-2 |
| App State | 7-4 | 4-3 |
| Marshall | 6-5 | 3-4 |
| Coastal Carolina | 4-7 | 3-4 |
| Georgia State | 5-6 | 2-5 |
| Old Dominion | 3-8 | 2-5 |
| **WEST** | | |
| ***Louisiana Tech*** | ***9-2*** | ***7-0*** |
| UL-Lafayette | 8-3 | 5-2 |
| South Alabama | 6-5 | 4-3 |
| Arkansas State | 4-7 | 2-5 |
| Troy | 4-7 | 2-5 |
| Southern Miss | 3-8 | 2-5 |
| ULM | 2-9 | 2-5 |

## UPCOMING SBC SLATE

***FRIDAY, NOV. 27***

App State at South Alabama - 2:00 p.m. CT

***SATURDAY, NOV. 28***

***Louisiana Tech at Georgia Southern - 11:00 a.m. CT***

Marshall at ULM - 12:00 p.m. CT

Southern Miss at Old Dominion - 12:00 p.m. CT

Coastal Carolina at James Madison - 1:00 p.m. CT

UL-Lafayette at Georgia State - 1:00 p.m. CT

Troy at Arkansas State - 2:00 p.m. CT

## AGAINST SUN BELT

| OPPONENT | RECORD |
|---|---|
| Arkansas State | 27-12 |
| 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 | 3-1 |
| Southern Miss | 19-36 |
| Troy | 1-0 |
| UL-Lafayette | 49-33-6 |
| ULM | 31-13 |
| **TOTAL** | **133-101-6** |

## 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

***November 9, 2026***

**Alonzo Jackson Jr.** - SBC Defensive Player of the Week

***November 16, 2026***

**Jadon Mayfield** - SBC Defensive Player of the Week

**Lexington Matthews** - SBC Special Teams Player of the Week

**Eli Finley** - Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award POTW Honorable Mention

***November 23, 2026***

**Blake Baker** - SBC Offensive Player of the Week; Week 12 Manning Star of the Week; Davey O'Brien Week 12 Great Eight; Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award POTW Honorable Mention

**Lexington Matthews** - SBC Special Teams Player of the Week

## 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 | 8-6 |
| *Last worn \| Nov. 21, 2026 vs. Arkansas State* | |
| 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 | 4-7 |
| *Last worn \| Nov. 7, 2026 at Troy* | |
| Red-White-Red | 2-5 |
| *Last worn \| Oct. 9, 2024 at Kennesaw* | |
| Red-Red-Red | 4-4 |
| *Last worn \| Nov. 14, 2026 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 |


**52-41**


**7-3**


**2-0**


**14-24**


**0-2**


**7-2**


**1-2**


**2-0**


**1-0**

## PRO DOGS (BULLDOGS IN THE NFL)













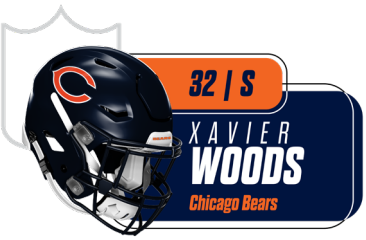


## LA TECH BOWL HISTORY

**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**....***4, Blake Baker vs. Arkansas State (11/21/26)***
**Threw for 4+ touchdowns**....4, ***Blake Baker vs. Arkansas State (11/21/26)***)
**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**....***110, Jalen Mickens vs. Arkansas State (11/21/26)***
**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, Alonzo Jackson Jr. at Troy (11/7/26)***
**Recorded 3+ sacks**....***3.0, Alonzo Jackson Jr. at LSU (9/12/26)***
**Had 10 tackles**....***11, Alonzo Jackson Jr. at Troy (11/7/26)***
....***10, Kolbe Fields at Troy (11/7/26)***
**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, Zheric Hill vs. Arkansas State (11/21/26)***
**Had 4+ tackles for loss**....4.5, Mekhi Mason vs. Southeastern (8/30/25)
**Returned an interception for a TD**....***Jordan McRae (89 yards) vs. Southern Miss (11/14/26)***
....***Jayden Mayfield (36 yards) vs. Southern Miss (11/14/26)***
**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**....***66, Lexington Matthews vs. Southern Miss (11/14/26)***
**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)
**Had an 80-yard run from scrimmage**....80, Elijah Green, Sam Houston (10/31/25)
**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**....***119, Mario Sanders, Southern Miss (11/14/26)***
**Had 200 yards receiving**....207, Malachi Corley, WKU (10/5/23)
**Caught 2 touchdown passes**....***2, Anthony Eager, South Alabama (10/31/26)***
**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**....***10, Wesley Edison, Southern Miss (11/14/26)***
**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**....64, Zimmer Dusty, Southern Miss (11/14/26)
**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**....***63 vs. Southern Miss (11/14/26)***
**Scored 60 points**....***63 vs. Southern Miss (11/14/26)***
**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**....***5 vs. Southern Miss (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) vs. Southern Miss (11/14/25)

### 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)***

## LA TECH INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| RUSHES | 7 | Andrew Burnette vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26) |
| YARDS RUSHING | 88 | Rayshun Hurt vs. Southern Miss (11/14/26) |
| 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. Arkansas State (11/21/26) |
| | 1 | Blake Baker vs. Old Dominion (10/10/26) |
| | 1 | Trey Kukuk vs. vs. Old Dominion(10/24/26) |
| | 1 | Rayshun Hurt vs. Southern Miss (11/14/26) |
| 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 | 4 | Blake Baker vs. Arkansas State (11/21/26) |
| LONG PASS | 75 | Blake Baker vs. Northwestern State (9/5/26) |
| RECEPTIONS | 10 | Eli Finley vs. Old Dominion (10/24/26) |
| YARDS RECEIVING | 137 | Marcus Calwise Jr at Troy (11/7/26) |
| 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 | 16 | 16 times (Last: 4 players vs. Southern Miss - 11/14/26) |

## OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

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|---|---|---|
| RUSHES | 18 | Dilin Jones, LSU (9/12/26) |
| YARDS RUSHING | 85 | Pj Martin, South Alabama (10/31/26) |
| TD RUSHES | 3 | Sam Leavitt, LSU (9/12/26) |
| LONG RUSH | 53 | Jamarice Wilder, Southern Miss (11/14/26) |
| PASS ATTEMPTS | 42 | John White, Southern Miss (11/14/26) |
| 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 | 8 | Mario Sanders, Southern Miss (11/14/26) |
| YARDS RECEIVING | 119 | Mario Sanders, Southern Miss (11/14/26) |
| TD RECEPTIONS | 2 | Anthony Eager, South Alabama (10/31/26) |
| 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 | 64 | Zimmer Dusty, Southern Miss (11/14/26) |
| 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 | 10 | Wesley Edison, Southern Miss (11/14/26) |
| 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 | 350 | vs. Southern Miss (11/14/26) |
| 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 | 64 | Southern Miss (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 | 10 | 32 |
| Jalen Mickens | - | - | 9 | 10 | 19 |
| Jay Wilkerson | - | 7 | - | 7 | 14 |
| Dedrick Latulas | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 8 |
| David Pierro | - | - | 5 | 1 | 6 |
| Dane Benedix | - | - | 2 | - | 2 |
| Andrew Burnette | - | - | 2 | 5 | 7 |
| Blake Baker | - | - | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Luke Watkins | - | - | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| Trey Kukuk | - | - | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Brayden Bockler | - | - | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Talyn Shettron | - | - | - | 7 | 7 |
| Sergio Snider | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Marcus Calwise Jr. | - | - | - | 8 | 8 |
| Dylone Brooks | - | - | - | 4 | 4 |
| Rayshun Hurt | - | - | - | 6 | 6 |
| Carter Harris | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |

## GAMES WITH 5+ RECEPTIONS

| Player | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | Career |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Eli Finley | 0 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 9 |
| Jalen Mickens | - | - | - | 6 | 6 |
| Talyn Shettron | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Marcus Calwise Jr. | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |

## 100 YARD GAMES

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

## 20+ YARD RECEPTION

| Player | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | Career |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Eli Finley | 0 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 17 |
| Jay Wilkerson | - | 6 | - | 2 | 8 |
| Jalen Mickens | - | - | 2 | 7 | 9 |
| Dedrick Latulas | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| David Pierro | - | - | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Luke Watkins | - | - | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Trey Kukuk | - | - | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Talyn Shettron | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Marcus Calwise Jr. | - | - | - | 4 | 4 |
| Rayshun Hurt | - | - | - | 2 | 2 |

## 40+ YARD RECEPTION

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

## GAMES WITH A RECEIVING TOUCHDOWN

| Player | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | Career |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Eli Finley | 0 | 2 | - | 7 | 9 |
| Jay Wilkerson | - | 1 | - | 2 | 3 |
| Jalen Mickens | - | - | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Luke Watkins | - | - | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Talyn Shettron | - | - | - | 2 | 2 |
| Dedrick Latulas | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Dylone Brooks | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Brayden Bockler | - | - | - | 2 | 2 |
| Marcus Calwise Jr. | - | - | - | 3 | 3 |
| Rayshun Hurt | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |

## GAMES WITH MULTIPLE RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS

| Player | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | Career |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Eli Finley | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Brayden Bockler | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Marcus Calwise Jr. | - | - | 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 | 5 | 5 |

## 20+ YARD RUNS

| Player | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | Career |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Blake Baker | - | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Trey Kukuk | - | - | 4 | 1 | 5 |
| Andrew Burnette | - | - | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Dylone Brooks | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Talyn Shettron | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Jalen Mickens | - | - | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| 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 |
| Rayshun Hurt | - | - | 1 | 1 |

## GAMES WITH RUSHING TOUCHDOWN

| Player | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | Career |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Andrew Burnette | - | - | 4 | 4 | 8 |
| Blake Baker | - | 1 | 3 | 3 | 7 |
| Trey Kukuk | - | - | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Dylone Brooks | - | - | - | 3 | 3 |
| Talyn Shettron | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Jaden Miller | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Sergio Snider | - | - | - | 5 | 5 |
| Jalen Mickens | - | - | - | 2 | 2 |
| Rayshun Hurt | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Eli Finley | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |

## 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 | 2 |

## GAMES WITH DOUBLE DIGIT TACKLES

| Player | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | Career |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kolbe Fields | - | 3 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| Zheric Hill | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Alonzo Jackson Jr. | - | - | - | 2 | 2 |

## GAMES WITH A SACK (Half Sacks Included)

| Player | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | Career |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jadon Mayfield | - | 0 | 4 | 3 | 7 |
| Kolbe Fields | - | 1 | 2 | 2 | 5 |
| Donovan Rieman | - | - | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Kameron Carter | - | - | 1 | | 1 |
| Jojo Odom | - | - | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Zheric Hill | - | - | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| Jacob Bradford | - | - | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Kaleb Coleman | - | - | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Zaqwaun Nunn | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Alonzo Jackson Jr. | - | - | - | 7 | 7 |
| Justice Williams | - | - | - | 2 | 2 |
| Emmanuel Oguns | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Taeden Rogers | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Lane Condry | - | - | - | 2 | 2 |

## 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. | - | - | - | 4 | 4 |
| Taeden Rogers | - | - | - | 3 | 3 |
| Jadon Mayfield | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |

## GAMES WITH AN INTERCEPTION

| Player | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | Career |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kolbe Fields | - | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Kam Franklin | - | - | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Alonzo Jackson | - | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Kameron Carter | - | - | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Jordan McRae | - | - | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| Taeden Rogers | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Amari Butler | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Janard Lockhardt | - | - | - | 2 | 2 |
| Jadon Mayfield | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Judd Rouyea | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |
| Sam Fongang | - | - | - | 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 | - | - | - | 2 | 2 |
| Jordan McRae | - | - | - | 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 |
| * | 10/31/2026 | at South Alabama | W | 35-20 | 13078 |
| * | 11/07/2026 | at Troy | W | 41-17 | 22349 |
| * | 11/14/2026 | Southern Miss. | W | 63-31 | 15423 |
| * | 11/21/2026 | Arkansas St. | W | 48-3 | 15317 |

## Rushing

| Player | gp | att | gain | loss | net | avg | td | lg | avg/g |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Andrew Burnette | 11 | 103 | 426 | 12 | 414 | 4.0 | 4 | 37 | 37.6 |
| Trey Kukuk | 10 | 65 | 301 | 26 | 275 | 4.2 | 2 | 20 | 27.5 |
| Dylone Brooks | 8 | 32 | 235 | 7 | 228 | 7.1 | 3 | 72 | 28.5 |
| Rayshun Hurt | 8 | 34 | 215 | 4 | 211 | 6.2 | 1 | 55 | 26.4 |
| Jalen Mickens | 11 | 11 | 118 | 0 | 118 | 10.7 | 2 | 28 | 10.7 |
| Sergio Snider | 10 | 31 | 118 | 6 | 112 | 3.6 | 5 | 24 | 11.2 |
| Blake Baker | 10 | 72 | 219 | 127 | 92 | 1.3 | 3 | 34 | 9.2 |
| Talyn Shettron | 10 | 6 | 63 | 0 | 63 | 10.5 | 1 | 37 | 6.3 |
| Jaden Miller | 6 | 22 | 67 | 7 | 60 | 2.7 | 1 | 11 | 10.0 |
| Marcus Calwise Jr. | 11 | 4 | 62 | 3 | 59 | 14.8 | 0 | 56 | 5.4 |
| Jackson Bradley | 2 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 8 | 4.0 | 0 | 8 | 4.0 |
| Eli Finley | 11 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1.0 | 1 | 1 | 0.1 |
| Dedrick Latulas | 11 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1.0 | 0 | 1 | 0.1 |
| David Pierro | 11 | 1 | 0 | 2 | -2 | -2.0 | 0 | 0 | -0.2 |
| Luke Watkins | 11 | 1 | 0 | 6 | -6 | -6.0 | 0 | 0 | -0.5 |
| Team | 11 | 12 | 0 | 39 | -39 | -3.3 | 0 | 0 | -3.5 |
| **Total** | **11** | **398** | **1834** | **239** | **1595** | **4.0** | **23** | **72** | **145.0** |
| **Opponents** | **11** | **401** | **1726** | **384** | **1342** | **3.3** | **15** | **54** | **122.0** |

## Passing

| Player | gp | effic | comp-att-int | pct | yds | td | lg | avg/g |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Blake Baker | 10 | 181.2 | 159-219-1 | 72.6 | 2031 | 21 | 75 | 203.1 |
| Trey Kukuk | 10 | 136.6 | 65-97-2 | 67.0 | 655 | 5 | 35 | 65.5 |
| Jackson Bradley | 2 | 5.0 | 2-5-1 | 40.0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 1.5 |
| Marcus Calwise Jr. | 11 | 946.6 | 2-2-0 | 100.0 | 123 | 2 | 74 | 11.2 |
| Eli Finley | 11 | 0.0 | 0-1-0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Joshua Brantley | 2 | 564.4 | 1-1-0 | 100.0 | 16 | 1 | 16 | 8.0 |
| Dylone Brooks | 8 | 259.6 | 1-1-0 | 100.0 | 19 | 0 | 19 | 2.4 |
| Sergio Snider | 10 | 116.8 | 1-1-0 | 100.0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0.2 |
| **Total** | **11** | **170.6** | **231-327-4** | **70.6** | **2849** | **29** | **75** | **259.0** |
| **Opponents** | **11** | **113.3** | **185-327-17** | **56.6** | **2222** | **10** | **53** | **202.0** |

## Receiving

| Player | gp | no. | yds | avg | td | lg | avg/g |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jalen Mickens | 11 | 61 | 805 | 13.2 | 5 | 75 | 73.2 |
| Eli Finley | 11 | 57 | 709 | 12.4 | 8 | 36 | 64.5 |
| Marcus Calwise Jr. | 11 | 34 | 474 | 13.9 | 4 | 35 | 43.1 |
| Talyn Shettron | 10 | 23 | 303 | 13.2 | 2 | 27 | 30.3 |
| Jay Wilkerson | 9 | 9 | 113 | 12.6 | 2 | 49 | 12.6 |
| Andrew Burnette | 11 | 9 | 30 | 3.3 | 0 | 14 | 2.7 |
| Rayshun Hurt | 8 | 9 | 160 | 17.8 | 1 | 67 | 20.0 |
| Dylone Brooks | 8 | 7 | 117 | 16.7 | 1 | 74 | 14.6 |
| Brayden Bockler | 8 | 6 | 11 | 1.8 | 3 | 7 | 1.4 |
| Luke Watkins | 11 | 5 | 58 | 11.6 | 2 | 35 | 5.3 |
| Dedrick Latulas | 11 | 3 | 16 | 5.3 | 1 | 6 | 1.5 |
| Blake Baker | 10 | 2 | 2 | 1.0 | 0 | 2 | 0.2 |
| Trey Kukuk | 10 | 2 | 31 | 15.5 | 0 | 23 | 3.1 |
| David Pierro | 11 | 1 | 3 | 3.0 | 0 | 3 | 0.3 |
| Carter Harris | 5 | 1 | 11 | 11.0 | 0 | 11 | 2.2 |
| Sergio Snider | 10 | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Jaden Miller | 6 | 1 | 6 | 6.0 | 0 | 6 | 1.0 |
| **Total** | **11** | **231** | **2849** | **12.3** | **29** | **75** | **259.0** |
| **Opponents** | **11** | **185** | **2222** | **12.0** | **10** | **53** | **202.0** |

## Game Records

| Record | Overall | Home | Away | Neutral |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| ALL GAMES | 9-2 | 6-0 | 3-2 | 0-0 |
| CONFERENCE | 7-0 | 4-0 | 3-0 | 0-0 |
| NON-CONFERENCE | 2-2 | 2-0 | 0-2 | 0-0 |

## Team Statistics

| | LATECH | OPP |
|---|---|---|
| **First Downs** | **230** | **200** |
| Rushing | 79 | 74 |
| Passing | 121 | 99 |
| Penalty | 30 | 27 |
| **Rushing Yardage** | **1595** | **1342** |
| Rushing attempts | 398 | 401 |
| Average per rush | 4.0 | 3.3 |
| Average per game | 145.0 | 122.0 |
| TDs Rushing | 23 | 15 |
| **Passing Yardage** | **2849** | **2222** |
| Comp-Att-Int | 231-327-4 | 185-327-17 |
| Average per pass | 8.7 | 6.8 |
| Average per catch | 12.3 | 12.0 |
| Average per game | 259.0 | 202.0 |
| TDs Passing | 29 | 10 |
| **Total offense** | **4444** | **3564** |
| Average per play | 6.1 | 4.9 |
| Average per game | 404.0 | 324.0 |
| **Kick returns: #-Yards** | **24-436** | **10-203** |
| **Punt returns: #-Yards** | **21-289** | **15-103** |
| **Int returns: #-Yards** | **17-375** | **4-63** |
| **Fumbles-Lost** | **12-8** | **18-11** |
| **Penalties-Yards** | **75-679** | **91-811** |
| **Punts-Avg** | **41-44.2** | **53-42.0** |
| **Time of possession / game** | **30:27** | **29:19** |
| **3rd-down conversion** | **61/143** | **52/155** |
| **4th-down conversion** | **9/17** | **10/23** |
| **PAT-attempts** | **(48-51) 94%** | **(22-24) 92%** |
| **2-point conversion-attempts** | **(1-7) 14%** | **(2-3) 67%** |

## Interceptions

| Player | no. | yds | avg | td | lg |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jordan Mcrae | 4 | 195 | 48.8 | 2 | 100 |
| Kam Franklin | 2 | 66 | 33.0 | 0 | 66 |
| Janard Lockhardt | 2 | 28 | 14.0 | 0 | 27 |
| Kolbe Fields | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 |
| Judd Rouyea | 1 | 5 | 5.0 | 0 | 5 |
| Alonzo Jackson Jr. | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 |
| Jadon Mayfield | 1 | 36 | 36.0 | 1 | 36 |
| Sam Fongang | 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** | **17** | **375** | **22.1** | **3** | **100** |
| **Opponents** | **4** | **63** | **15.8** | **1** | **32** |

**Field Goals**

| Player | fg | pct. | 01-19 | 20-29 | 30-39 | 40-49 | 50-99 | lg | blk |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hunter Rioux | 3-8 | 37.5 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1-1 | 2-4 | 0-3 | 49 | 0 |
| Kaegan Kent | 4-8 | 50.0 | 0-0 | 3-3 | 0-2 | 1-2 | 0-1 | 45 | 1 |
| **Opponents** | **10-12** | **83.3** | **0-0** | **4-4** | **3-3** | **3-4** | **0-1** | **45** | **0** |

**Scoring**

| | | | PAT | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Player | td | fg | kick | rush | rcv | pass | dxp | saf | pts |
| Kaegan Kent | - | 4-8 | 43-43 | - | - | - | - | - | 55 |
| Eli Finley | 9 | - | 0-1 | - | - | - | - | - | 54 |
| Jalen Mickens | 7 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 44 |
| Sergio Snider | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 30 |
| Marcus Calwise Jr. | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 24 |
| Andrew Burnette | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 24 |
| Dylone Brooks | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 24 |
| Talyn Shettron | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 18 |
| Blake Baker | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 18 |
| Brayden Bockler | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 18 |
| Hunter Rioux | - | 3-8 | 5-7 | - | - | - | - | - | 14 |
| Dedrick Latulas | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 12 |
| Jay Wilkerson | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 12 |
| Trey Kukuk | 2 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 12 |
| Jordan Mcrae | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 12 |
| Luke Watkins | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 12 |
| Rayshun Hurt | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 12 |
| Alonzo Jackson Jr. | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6 |
| Jadon Mayfield | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6 |
| Jaden Miller | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6 |
| **Total** | **57** | **7-16** | **48-51** | **0** | **1** | **1** | **0** | **0** | **413** |
| **Opponents** | **27** | **10-12** | **22-24** | **1** | **1** | **1** | **0** | **0** | **218** |

**Score by Periods**

| Team | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | OT | TOT |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Louisiana Tech | 87 | 152 | 83 | 91 | 0 | 413 |
| Opponents | 51 | 42 | 59 | 66 | 0 | 218 |

**Punting**

| Player | no. | yds | avg | lg | tb | fc | i20 | 50+ | blk |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lexington Matthews | 39 | 1731 | 44.4 | 67 | 4 | 10 | 18 | 10 | 0 |
| Reuben Edwards | 2 | 80 | 40.0 | 41 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| **Total** | **41** | **1811** | **44.2** | **67** | **4** | **11** | **19** | **10** | **0** |
| **Opponents** | **53** | **2224** | **42.0** | **64** | **3** | **20** | **11** | **10** | **0** |

**Punt Returns**

| Player | no. | yds | avg | td | lg |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dedrick Latulas | 18 | 209 | 11.6 | 1 | 58 |
| Marcus Calwise Jr. | 2 | 80 | 40.0 | 0 | 66 |
| Luke Watkins | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 |
| **Total** | **21** | **289** | **13.8** | **1** | **66** |
| **Opponents** | **15** | **103** | **6.9** | **0** | **27** |

**Kick Returns**

| Player | no. | yds | avg | td | lg |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dedrick Latulas | 9 | 174 | 19.3 | 0 | 36 |
| Ahkhari Johnson | 5 | 66 | 13.2 | 0 | 19 |
| Rayshun Hurt | 5 | 82 | 16.4 | 0 | 20 |
| Ty Jones | 2 | 48 | 24.0 | 0 | 29 |
| Marcus Calwise Jr. | 2 | 29 | 14.5 | 0 | 17 |
| Eli Finley | 1 | 12 | 12.0 | 0 | 12 |
| **Total** | **24** | **436** | **18.2** | **0** | **36** |
| **Opponents** | **10** | **203** | **20.3** | **0** | **39** |

**All Purpose**

| Player | g | rush | rcv | pr | kr | ir | total | avg/g |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jalen Mickens | 11 | 118 | 805 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 923 | 83.9 |
| Eli Finley | 11 | 1 | 709 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 722 | 65.6 |
| Marcus Calwise Jr. | 11 | 59 | 474 | 80 | 29 | 0 | 642 | 58.4 |
| Rayshun Hurt | 8 | 211 | 160 | 0 | 82 | 0 | 453 | 56.6 |
| Andrew Burnette | 11 | 414 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 444 | 40.4 |
| Dedrick Latulas | 11 | 1 | 16 | 209 | 174 | 0 | 400 | 36.4 |
| Dylone Brooks | 8 | 228 | 117 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 370 | 46.3 |
| Talyn Shettron | 10 | 63 | 303 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 366 | 36.6 |
| Trey Kukuk | 10 | 275 | 31 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 306 | 30.6 |
| Jordan Mcrae | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 195 | 195 | 17.7 |
| Jay Wilkerson | 9 | 0 | 113 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 113 | 12.6 |
| Sergio Snider | 10 | 112 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 112 | 11.2 |
| Blake Baker | 10 | 92 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 94 | 9.4 |
| Kam Franklin | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 66 | 66 | 6.0 |
| Ahkhari Johnson | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 6.6 |
| Jaden Miller | 6 | 60 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 66 | 11.0 |
| Luke Watkins | 11 | -6 | 58 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 52 | 4.7 |
| Ty Jones | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 48 | 0 | 48 | 8.0 |
| Jadon Mayfield | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 36 | 36 | 3.3 |
| Janard Lockhardt | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 28 | 2.5 |
| Zheric Hill | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 25 | 2.3 |
| Kameron Carter | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 22 | 22 | 2.0 |
| Brayden Bockler | 8 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 1.4 |
| Carter Harris | 5 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 2.2 |
| Jackson Bradley | 2 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 4.0 |
| Judd Rouyea | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 0.7 |
| David Pierro | 11 | -2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.1 |
| Taeden Rogers | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -2 | -2 | -0.2 |
| **Total** | **11** | **1595** | **2849** | **289** | **436** | **375** | **5544** | **504.0** |
| **Opponents** | **11** | **1342** | **2222** | **103** | **203** | **63** | **3933** | **357.5** |

**Total Offense**

| Player | g | plays | rush | pass | total | avg/g |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Blake Baker | 10 | 291 | 92 | 2031 | 2123 | 212.3 |
| Trey Kukuk | 10 | 162 | 275 | 655 | 930 | 93.0 |
| Andrew Burnette | 11 | 103 | 414 | 0 | 414 | 37.6 |
| Dylone Brooks | 8 | 33 | 228 | 19 | 247 | 30.9 |
| Rayshun Hurt | 8 | 34 | 211 | 0 | 211 | 26.4 |
| Marcus Calwise Jr. | 11 | 6 | 59 | 123 | 182 | 16.5 |
| Jalen Mickens | 11 | 11 | 118 | 0 | 118 | 10.7 |
| Sergio Snider | 10 | 32 | 112 | 2 | 114 | 11.4 |
| Talyn Shettron | 10 | 6 | 63 | 0 | 63 | 6.3 |
| Jaden Miller | 6 | 22 | 60 | 0 | 60 | 10.0 |
| Joshua Brantley | 2 | 1 | 0 | 16 | 16 | 8.0 |
| Jackson Bradley | 2 | 7 | 8 | 3 | 11 | 5.5 |
| Eli Finley | 11 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0.1 |
| Dedrick Latulas | 11 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0.1 |
| David Pierro | 11 | 1 | -2 | 0 | -2 | -0.2 |
| Luke Watkins | 11 | 1 | -6 | 0 | -6 | -0.5 |
| **Total** | **11** | **725** | **1595** | **2849** | **4444** | **404.0** |
| **Opponents** | **11** | **728** | **1342** | **2222** | **3564** | **324.0** |

**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. | 11 | 43 | 39 | 82 | 18.5-87 | 11-71 | 1-0 | 2 | 3 | 3-66 | 2 | . | . |
| 10 | Kolbe Fields | 11 | 20 | 49 | 69 | 10.5-43 | 2-26 | 1-0 | 3 | 10 | . | 2 | . | . |
| 22 | Jadon Mayfield | 11 | 24 | 45 | 69 | 11-44 | 4-29 | 1-36 | 1 | 2 | 1-4 | . | . | . |
| 21 | Zheric Hill | 11 | 21 | 47 | 68 | 12.5-43 | 2.5-17 | 1-25 | . | 5 | . | . | . | . |
| 16 | Taeden Rogers | 11 | 34 | 25 | 59 | 3-15 | 1-12 | 1--2 | 4 | . | 2-5 | 1 | . | . |
| 0 | Jordan Mcrae | 11 | 25 | 24 | 49 | . | . | 4-195 | 4 | . | 1-6 | 1 | . | . |
| 1 | Sam Fongang | 11 | 26 | 22 | 48 | 3-9 | . | 1-0 | 5 | . | . | . | . | . |
| 4 | Kam Franklin | 11 | 15 | 26 | 41 | 2-6 | . | 2-66 | 2 | 1 | . | 1 | . | . |
| 7 | Janard Lockhardt | 11 | 20 | 16 | 36 | 1.5-7 | . | 2-28 | 10 | 1 | 2-35 | 1 | . | . |
| 13 | MJ Moultrie II | 10 | 11 | 22 | 33 | 0.5-0 | . | . | 3 | . | . | 1 | . | . |
| 44 | Kaleb Coleman | 9 | 2 | 16 | 18 | 3.5-18 | 1.5-14 | . | . | 2 | . | . | . | . |
| 40 | Ayden Combs | 11 | 5 | 11 | 16 | 1-1 | . | . | . | . | 1-0 | . | . | . |
| 93 | Jacob Bradford | 11 | 3 | 12 | 15 | 2-8 | 1-5 | . | . | . | . | 1 | . | . |
| 92 | Lane Condry | 11 | 6 | 8 | 14 | 5-26 | 3.5-21 | . | 1 | 2 | . | . | . | . |
| 54 | Justice Williams | 11 | 4 | 8 | 12 | 3.5-18 | 2.5-16 | . | 1 | 2 | . | 1 | . | . |
| 20 | Ty Jones | 6 | 7 | 5 | 12 | 0.5-0 | . | . | 1 | . | . | . | . | . |
| 98 | Donovan Rieman | 11 | 3 | 8 | 11 | 1.5-9 | 0.5-4 | . | . | 1 | . | . | . | . |
| 11 | Emmanuel Oguns | 8 | 1 | 10 | 11 | 1.5-1 | 1-1 | . | . | 1 | . | . | . | . |
| 17 | Demario Bookhart | 10 | 4 | 6 | 10 | 1-3 | . | . | 1 | . | . | . | . | . |
| 3 | Kameron Carter | 11 | 6 | 4 | 10 | 0.5-1 | . | 1-22 | 2 | . | . | . | . | . |
| 90 | Jojo Odom | 10 | . | 9 | 9 | 1.5-5 | 0.5-2 | . | . | . | 1-0 | . | . | . |
| 27 | Grayson Hardy | 8 | 1 | 8 | 9 | 0.5-2 | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1 | . |
| 2 | Amari Butler | 9 | 3 | 5 | 8 | . | . | 1-0 | 1 | . | . | . | . | . |
| 35 | Cole Watson | 9 | 2 | 5 | 7 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 99 | Judd Rouyea | 7 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 3.5-10 | . | 1-5 | . | 1 | . | . | . | . |
| 5 | Ahkhari Johnson | 10 | 4 | 2 | 6 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 91 | ZaQwaun Nunn | 4 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 1-1 | 1-1 | . | . | . | . | 1 | . | . |
| 8 | David Pierro | 11 | 1 | 3 | 4 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 94 | Amari Wilks | 9 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 1-2 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 25 | Colton Deckard | 7 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0.5-2 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 28 | Jeremiah Smith | 7 | . | 3 | 3 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 72 | Hayden Christman | 11 | 2 | . | 2 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 31 | Hunter Rioux | 11 | 2 | . | 2 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 39 | Jacoryian Crowe | 7 | 1 | 1 | 2 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 30 | Zander Hayes | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 96 | Ashton Dawson | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 26 | Nathan Green | 5 | . | 2 | 2 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 14 | Damien Richard II | 8 | . | 2 | 2 | 0.5-1 | . | . | 1 | . | . | . | . | . |
| 41 | Ean Burch | 11 | . | 1 | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 66 | Will Hutchens | 8 | 1 | . | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 6 | Marcus Calwise Jr. | 11 | 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 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 48 | Jaden McIver | 1 | 1 | . | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 19 | AJ Tarvin | 1 | . | 1 | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 28 | Harrison Williams | 2 | 1 | . | 1 | 1-1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 11 | Jalen Mickens | 11 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1 | . | . | . | . |
| 84 | Eli Finley | 11 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 38 | Kaegan Kent | 10 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| | **Totals** | **11** | **315** | **458** | **773** | **92-363** | **32-219** | **17-375** | **42** | **32** | **11-116** | **12** | **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 |
| SOUTH ALABAMA | CHRISTMAN | COLE | BRACKINS III | ELLIS | SMITH III | FINLEY | MICKENS | CALWISE JR. | WATKINS | BURNETTE | BAKER |
| TROY | CHRISTMAN | COLE | BRACKINS III | ELLIS | SMITH III | FINLEY | MICKENS | CALWISE JR. | SHETTRON | HURT | BAKER |
| SOUTHERN MISS | CHRISTMAN | COLE | BRACKINS III | ELLIS | SMITH III | FINLEY | MICKENS | CALWISE JR. | KUKUK | HURT | BAKER |
| ARKANSAS STATE | CHRISTMAN | COLE | BRACKINS III | HUTCHENS | SMITH III | FINLEY | MICKENS | CALWISE JR. | SHETTRON | HURT | 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 |
| SOUTH ALABAMA | RIEMAN | BRADFORD | OGUNS | FIELDS | HILL | JACKSON JR. | LOCKHARDT | CARTER | FONGANG | MCRAE | ROGERS |
| TROY | RIEMAN | BRADFORD | OGUNS | FIELDS | HILL | JACKSON JR. | LOCKHARDT | CARTER | FONGANG | MCRAE | ROGERS |
| SOUTHERN MISS | RIEMAN | BRADFORD | OGUNS | FIELDS | HILL | JACKSON JR. | LOCKHARDT | CARTER | FONGANG | MCRAE | ROGERS |
| ARKANSAS STATE | 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



**MOBILE, Ala. –** Louisiana Tech extended its winning streak to five games and remained unbeaten in Sun Belt Conference play Saturday afternoon as the Bulldogs defeated South Alabama, 35-20, at Hancock Whitney Stadium.

The Bulldogs (6-2, 4-0 SBC) secured their first 4-0 start in conference play since 2019 while completing an undefeated month of October for the first time since the same season. South Alabama fell to 4-4 overall and 2-2 in conference play.

Quarterback Blake Baker completed 10 of 16 passes for 167 yards and three touchdowns, while Marcus Calwise Jr. caught three passes for a team-high 68 yards and two touchdowns. Rayshun Hurt added 107 all-purpose yards, including a career-long 67-yard reception and a career-long 30-yard rush.

South Alabama struck first with a 10-yard touchdown pass from Jared Hollins to Anthony Eager midway through the opening quarter. Louisiana Tech responded immediately, marching 91 yards in four plays, highlighted by Hurt's 67-yard screen reception before Andrew Burnette capped the drive with a 4-yard touchdown run to tie the game at 7-7.

The Jaguars regained the lead on another Hollins-to-Eager touchdown connection, this time from 9 yards out, to take a 14-7 advantage late in the first quarter.

Louisiana Tech answered with 21 points in the second quarter to take control of the contest. Baker connected with Calwise for a 22-yard touchdown early in the period to even the score before the Bulldogs took their first lead on a 27-yard touchdown pass from Trey Kukuk to Jalen Mickens. The scoring play came on a double pass, with Baker delivering a lateral to Kukuk before the quarterback found Mickens in the end zone.

South Alabama responded with an 11-yard touchdown run from Keenan Phillips, but a missed extra point preserved Louisiana Tech's 21-20 advantage.

The Bulldogs extended their lead before halftime when Baker found Calwise on a 35-yard tunnel screen for his second receiving touchdown of the afternoon, giving Louisiana Tech a 28-20 advantage at the break.

After surrendering 20 points in the first half, Louisiana Tech's defense held the Jaguars scoreless over the final two quarters. The Bulldogs recorded three sacks, seven tackles for loss and two takeaways while forcing three turnovers on downs.

A pivotal defensive sequence came late in the third quarter when Kam Franklin forced a fumble that Alonzo Jackson Jr. recovered at the South Alabama 10-yard line. Two plays later, Baker connected with Luke Watkins for a 4-yard touchdown to extend the Bulldogs' lead to 35-20 with 39 seconds remaining in the period.

Louisiana Tech's defense continued to deliver in the fourth quarter, including a fourth-down pass breakup by Sam Fongang that ended a South Alabama scoring threat. Janard Lockhardt sealed the victory with his first interception as a Bulldog with 1:40 remaining.

Jackson led the Bulldogs with nine tackles, a half-sack and a fumble recovery, while Jadon Mayfield added eight tackles and Taeden Rogers recorded seven tackles and his first sack as a Bulldog. Franklin and MJ Moultrie II each registered a forced fumble.

Louisiana Tech finished with 315 yards of total offense, including 194 through the air, while South Alabama totaled 397 yards. The Bulldogs scored touchdowns on five possessions and committed no turnovers.

The victory also marked Louisiana Tech's first five-game winning streak since 2019, with the Bulldogs outscoring their opponents 148-80 during their unbeaten October.

| Team Statistics | LA Tech | South Alabama |
|---|---|---|
| First Downs | 16 | 24 |
| Net Yards Rushing | 121 | 205 |
| Net Yards Passing | 194 | 192 |
| Comp. - Att. - Int. | 11-17-0 | 14-31-1 |
| Avg. / Att. | 11.4 | 6.2 |
| Avg. / Comp. | 17.6 | 13.7 |
| TDs | 4 | 2 |
| TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS | 315 | 397 |
| Plays | 57 | 75 |
| Avg. / Play | 5.5 | 5.3 |
| Fumbles - Lost | 0-0 | 2-1 |
| Penalties - Yards | 4-29 | 12-100 |
| PUNTS-YARDS | 5-212 | 4-155 |
| Avg. / Punt | 42.4 | 38.8 |
| Inside 20 | 1 | 4 |
| 50+ Yards | 2 | 0 |
| Touchbacks | 0 | 0 |
| Fair Catch | 3 | 4 |
| KICKOFFS-YARDS | 6-380 | 4-234 |
| Avg. Yards / Kickoff | 63.3 | 58.5 |
| Touchbacks | 3 | 0 |
| RETURNS | | |
| Punt: Total - Yards - TDs | 0-0-0 | 1-12-0 |
| Punt: Avg. / Return | 0.0 | 12.0 |
| Kickoff: Total - Yards - TDs | 3-33-0 | 2-68-0 |
| INT: Total - Yards - TDs | 1-1-0 | 0-0-0 |
| Possession Time | 26:37 | 33:23 |
| Sacks: Total - Yards | 3-22 | 2-13 |
| PAT: Total - Made | 5-5 | 2-3 |
| Field Goals: Total - Made | 0-0 | 0-0 |

Scoring Summary

1st 09:33 USA - Eager, Anthony 10 yd pass from Hollins, Jared (Little, Davis kick)
1st 08:12 LAT - Burnette, Andrew 4 yd run (Kent, Kaegen kick)
1st 00:39 USA - Eager, Anthony 9 yd pass from Hollins, Jared (Little, Davis kick)
2nd 13:03 LAT - Calwise Jr., Marcus 22 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 08:50 LAT - Mickens, Jalen 27 yd pass from Kukuk, Trey (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 06:47 USA - Phillips, Keenan 11 yd run (Little, Davis kick missed)
2nd 03:12 LAT - Calwise Jr., Marcus 35 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Kent, Kaegen kick)
3rd 00:39 LAT - Watkins, Luke 4 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Kent, Kaegen kick)

| Score by Quarters | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| LA Tech | 7 | 21 | 7 | 0 | 35 |
| South Alabama | 14 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 20 |

Stadium: Hancock Whitney Stadium
Kickoff Time: 2:02 p.m.
End of Game: 5:22 p.m.
Attendance: 13,078



**TROY, Ala. –** Louisiana Tech continued its unbeaten start to Sun Belt Conference play Saturday afternoon, forcing five turnovers and scoring 21 unanswered points in the second half to defeat Troy, 41-17, in the first-ever meeting between the two programs at Veterans Memorial Stadium.

The Bulldogs (7-2, 5-0 SBC) extended their winning streak to six games and improved to 5-0 in conference play for the first time since 2019. Troy fell to 4-5 overall and 2-3 in league play.

Linebacker Alonzo Jackson Jr. led a dominant defensive effort with a game-high 11 tackles, 2.5 tackles for loss, two sacks, a forced fumble and a 66-yard fumble return for a touchdown. Kolbe Fields added 10 tackles, two tackles for loss, a sack and a forced fumble, while Janard Lockhardt recorded an interception, a forced fumble and a fumble recovery.

Offensively, Marcus Calwise Jr. established career highs with nine receptions and 137 receiving yards, including a 28-yard touchdown reception. Quarterback Blake Baker completed 16 of 19 passes for 177 yards and a touchdown, while Trey Kukuk added 68 passing yards, a touchdown and 26 rushing yards.

Louisiana Tech opened the scoring on its first possession, marching 53 yards in nine plays before Kaegan Kent connected on a career-long 45-yard field goal to give the Bulldogs a 3-0 advantage.
Troy responded with a 15-play, 83-yard drive that ended with a 2-yard touchdown run by Gavin Griffin, giving the Trojans a 7-3 lead with 4:14 remaining in the opening quarter.

The Bulldogs answered with a nine-play, 77-yard possession that carried into the second quarter. Baker connected with Calwise on a 28-yard touchdown pass on the first play of the period, putting Louisiana Tech back in front, 10-7.

Louisiana Tech's defense immediately created another scoring opportunity when Jojo Odom recovered a Troy fumble at the Trojans' 20-yard line. Kent converted a 28-yard field goal five plays later to extend the lead to 13-7.

The Bulldogs forced another turnover on Troy's ensuing possession when Jackson recorded a sack and forced fumble that Ayden Combs recovered at the Troy 12-yard line. However, the Trojans recovered a Louisiana Tech fumble three plays later to prevent another score.

After forcing a three-and-out, Louisiana Tech took advantage of a 17-yard punt return by Dedrick Latulas to begin its next possession at the Troy 43-yard line. The Bulldogs moved 43 yards in seven plays, capped by Sergio Snider's 7-yard touchdown run to extend their advantage to 20-7 with 5:06 remaining before halftime.

Troy answered with a 41-yard field goal from Hayden Wolfe, cutting Louisiana Tech's lead to 20-10 with 3:42 remaining in the second quarter.

The Bulldogs carried the 10-point advantage into halftime after outgaining Troy 225-115 in total offense and forcing two turnovers in the opening 30 minutes.

Troy narrowed the deficit early in the third quarter when Delvin Whitaker recovered a Louisiana Tech fumble in the end zone for a touchdown, bringing the Trojans within three points at 20-17.

Louisiana Tech responded with its longest scoring possession of the afternoon, driving 74 yards in 15 plays while taking 7:01 off the clock. Kukuk connected with Eli Finley on a 2-yard touchdown pass to extend the Bulldogs' lead to 27-17 with 5:43 remaining in the third quarter.

The Bulldogs' defense delivered another pivotal play on Troy's next possession when Lockhardt intercepted Tucker Kilcrease and returned the ball 27 yards to the Troy 11-yard line. Andrew Burnette scored on an 11-yard touchdown run on the following play, pushing Louisiana Tech's advantage to 34-17 just 17 seconds after Finley's touchdown.

Louisiana Tech continued to control the game defensively in the fourth quarter, limiting Troy's opportunities while maintaining its three-score advantage.

Jackson provided the final highlight with 1:05 remaining, recovering a Troy fumble and returning it 66 yards for a touchdown to seal the 41-17 victory.

The Bulldogs finished with 351 yards of total offense, including 245 passing yards, while limiting Troy to 262 total yards and just 47 rushing yards. Louisiana Tech recorded eight tackles for loss, three sacks and five takeaways, including four fumble recoveries and an interception.

The victory marked Louisiana Tech's first six-game winning streak since 2019 and gave the Bulldogs their seventh victory of the season, continuing their strong start to their inaugural Sun Belt campaign.

| Team Statistics | LA Tech | Troy |
|---|---|---|
| First Downs | 22 | 16 |
| Net Yards Rushing | 106 | 47 |
| Net Yards Passing | 245 | 215 |
| Comp. - Att. - Int. | 24-29-0 | 18-33-1 |
| Avg. / Att. | 8.4 | 6.5 |
| Avg. / Comp. | 10.2 | 11.9 |
| TDs | 2 | 0 |
| TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS | 351 | 262 |
| Plays | 67 | 65 |
| Avg. / Play | 5.2 | 4.0 |
| Fumbles - Lost | 2-2 | 5-4 |
| Penalties - Yards | 10-96 | 9-68 |
| PUNTS-YARDS | 4-178 | 5-223 |
| Avg. / Punt | 44.5 | 44.6 |
| Inside 20 | 3 | 0 |
| 50+ Yards | 0 | 1 |
| Touchbacks | 1 | 0 |
| Fair Catch | 1 | 3 |
| KICKOFFS-YARDS | 8-513 | 4-242 |
| Avg. Yards / Kickoff | 64.1 | 60.5 |
| Touchbacks | 3 | 0 |
| RETURNS | | |
| Punt: Total - Yards - TDs | 2-8-0 | 1-0-0 |
| Punt: Avg. / Return | 4.0 | 0.0 |
| Kickoff: Total - Yards - TDs | 4-71-0 | 3-45-0 |
| INT: Total - Yards - TDs | 1-27-0 | 0-0-0 |
| Possession Time | 34:12 | 25:48 |
| Sacks: Total - Yards | 3-35 | 3-29 |
| PAT: Total - Made | 5-5 | 2-2 |
| Field Goals: Total - Made | 2-3 | 1-1 |

Scoring Summary

1st 10:42 LAT - Kent, Kaegen 45 yd field goal
1st 04:14 TROY - Griffin, Gavin 2 yd run (Wolfe, Hayden kick)
2nd 14:55 LAT - Calwise Jr., Marcus 28 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 13:06 LAT - Kent, Kaegen 28 yd field goal
2nd 05:06 LAT - Snider, Sergio 7 yd run (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 03:42 TROY - Wolfe, Hayden 41 yd field goal
3rd 12:48 TROY - Whitaker, Devin 0 yd fumble recovery (Wolfe, Hayden kick)
3rd 05:43 LAT - Finley, Eli 2 yd pass from Kukuk, Trey (Kent, Kaegen kick)
3rd 05:26 LAT - Burnette, Andrew 11 yd run (Kent, Kaegen kick)
4th 01:05 LAT - Jackson Jr., Alonzo 66 yd fumble recovery (Kent, Kaegen kick)

| Score by Quarters | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| LA Tech | 3 | 17 | 14 | 7 | 41 |
| Troy | 7 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 17 |

Stadium: Veterans Memorial Stadium
Kickoff Time: 3:02 p.m.
End of Game: 6:25 p.m.
Attendance: 22,349




**RUSTON –** Louisiana Tech secured the Sun Belt Conference West Division championship in emphatic fashion Saturday afternoon, scoring a series-record 63 points and returning two interceptions for touchdowns in a 63-31 victory over Southern Miss at Joe Aillet Stadium.

The Bulldogs (8-2, 6-0 SBC) extended their winning streak to seven games and clinched a berth in the Sun Belt Championship Game in their first season as a conference member. Louisiana Tech will make its first conference championship game appearance since 2016, when the Bulldogs represented Conference USA›s West Division.

Louisiana Tech›s defense forced five turnovers, including four interceptions, while the offense accumulated 495 total yards, including a season-high 350 passing yards. The Bulldogs scored 42 first-half points, highlighted by interception returns for touchdowns from Jadon Mayfield and Jordan McRae on consecutive Southern Miss possessions.

Quarterback Blake Baker completed 21 of 28 passes for 236 yards and three touchdowns without an interception. Eli Finley led the receiving corps with six receptions for 104 yards and a touchdown, while Rayshun Hurt rushed for a career-high 88 yards and his first collegiate touchdown.

The Bulldogs wasted little time establishing control, intercepting Southern Miss quarterback John White on the Golden Eagles› first offensive play. Kolbe Fields secured the interception after Emmanuel Oguns deflected the pass, setting up Louisiana Tech at the Southern Miss 26-yard line.

Four plays later, Dylone Brooks scored on a 1-yard touchdown run to give the Bulldogs a 7-0 advantage just 1:44 into the contest.

Southern Miss (3-7, 2-4 SBC) responded with a 44-yard field goal from Creighton Wilbanks, cutting the deficit to 7-3 with 5:28 remaining in the opening quarter.

Louisiana Tech answered with a 91-yard scoring drive capped by a 49-yard touchdown pass from Marcus Calwise Jr. to Jay Wilkerson on a double-pass play. The Bulldogs extended their lead to 21-3 late in the quarter when Sergio Snider scored on a 2-yard touchdown run.

The Golden Eagles briefly cut into the deficit early in the second quarter when Jamarice Wilder broke free for a 53-yard touchdown run, making it 21-10.

Louisiana Tech responded with 21 unanswered points in less than four minutes. Baker connected with Talyn Shettron on a 9-yard touchdown pass before the Bulldogs› defense took over.

Mayfield intercepted White and returned the ball 36 yards for his first career interception and defensive touchdown, extending Tech›s lead to 35-10 with 9:14 remaining in the half.

Less than two minutes later, McRae intercepted White and returned the ball 89 yards for another touchdown, giving Louisiana Tech a commanding 42-10 advantage with 7:16 remaining before halftime.

The Bulldogs carried the 32-point lead into the break after recording three interceptions and two sacks in the opening half.

Louisiana Tech continued its offensive production on the opening possession of the third quarter, marching 75 yards in eight plays. Baker connected with Brayden Bockler on a 2-yard touchdown pass to push the lead to 49-10.

Southern Miss answered with a 7-yard touchdown pass from White to Grant Page, but the Bulldogs added another explosive play early in the fourth quarter.

Following a fumble recovery by Taeden Rogers, Hurt broke free for a career-long 55-yard touchdown run, the first rushing touchdown of his collegiate career, to extend Louisiana Tech›s lead to 56-17.

The Golden Eagles responded with a 41-yard touchdown pass from White to Mario Sanders before Baker connected with Finley on a 12-yard touchdown pass to give the Bulldogs their final 63 points with 8:48 remaining.

Southern Miss added the game›s final score on a 32-yard interception return for a touchdown by MaLik Caswell with 2:11 remaining.

| Team Statistics | Southern Miss | LA Tech |
|---|---|---|
| First Downs | 20 | 23 |
| Net Yards Rushing | 186 | 145 |
| Net Yards Passing | 220 | 350 |
| Comp. - Att. - Int. | 21-43-4 | 26-38-1 |
| Avg. / Att. | 5.1 | 9.2 |
| Avg. / Comp. | 10.5 | 13.5 |
| TDs | 2 | 4 |
| TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS | 406 | 495 |
| Plays | 81 | 65 |
| Avg. / Play | 5.0 | 7.6 |
| Fumbles - Lost | 1-1 | 2-1 |
| Penalties - Yards | 7-72 | 11-104 |
| PUNTS-YARDS | 6-279 | 7-314 |
| Avg. / Punt | 46.5 | 44.9 |
| Inside 20 | 0 | 4 |
| 50+ Yards | 2 | 1 |
| Touchbacks | 1 | 0 |
| Fair Catch | 2 | 1 |
| KICKOFFS-YARDS | 6-369 | 10-640 |
| Avg. Yards / Kickoff | 61.5 | 64.0 |
| Touchbacks | 2 | 7 |
| RETURNS | | |
| Punt: Total - Yards - TDs | 2-16-0 | 3-17-0 |
| Punt: Avg. / Return | 8.0 | 5.7 |
| Kickoff: Total - Yards - TDs | 0-0-0 | 3-67-0 |
| INT: Total - Yards - TDs | 1-32-1 | 4-130-2 |
| Possession Time | 30:35 | 29:25 |
| Sacks: Total - Yards | 1-5 | 3-13 |
| PAT: Total - Made | 4-4 | 9-9 |
| Field Goals: Total - Made | 1-1 | 0-0 |

Scoring Summary

1st 13:16 LAT - Brooks, Dylone 1 yd run (Kent, Kaegen kick)
1st 05:28 USM - Wilbanks, Creighton 44 yd field goal
1st 04:10 LAT - Wilkerson, Jay 49 yd pass from Calwise Jr., Marcus (Kent, Kaegen kick)
1st 00:58 LAT - Snider, Sergio 2 yd run (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 14:21 USM - Wilder, Jamarice 53 yd run (Wilbanks, Creighton kick)
2nd 10:31 LAT - Shettron, Talyn 9 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 09:14 LAT - Mayfield, Jadon 36 yd interception (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 07:16 LAT - McRae, Jordan 89 yd interception (Kent, Kaegen kick)
3rd 10:21 LAT - Bockler, Brayden 2 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Kent, Kaegen kick)
3rd 05:13 USM - Page, Grant 7 yd pass from White, John (Wilbanks, Creighton kick)
4th 12:46 LAT - Hurt, Rayshun 55 yd run (Kent, Kaegen kick)
4th 11:42 USM - Sanders, Mario 41 yd pass from White, John (Wilbanks, Creighton kick)
4th 08:48 LAT - Finley, Eli 12 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Kent, Kaegen kick)
4th 02:11 USM - Caswell, MaLik 32 yd interception (Wilbanks, Creighton kick)

| Score by Quarters | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Southern Miss | 3 | 7 | 7 | 14 | 31 |
| Troy | 21 | 21 | 7 | 14 | 63 |

Stadium: Origin Bank Field at Joe Aillet Stadium
Kickoff Time: 4:02 p.m.
End of Game: 8:07 p.m.
Attendance: 15,423



**RUSTON –** Louisiana Tech continued its dominant run through Sun Belt Conference play Saturday night, cruising to a 48-3 victory over Arkansas State at Origin Bank Field at Joe Aillet Stadium to secure its first nine-win season since 2019 and finish undefeated at home for the first time in seven years.

The Bulldogs (9-2, 7-0 SBC) extended their winning streak to eight games behind a five-touchdown performance from quarterback Blake Baker and another strong defensive showing that limited the Red Wolves (4-7, 2-5 SBC) to just 26 rushing yards.

Baker completed 16 of 23 passes for 291 yards and a career-high four touchdowns while adding 47 rushing yards and a score on the ground. Jalen Mickens led the receiving corps with six receptions for 110 yards and a touchdown, while Eli Finley added five catches for 84 yards and two total touchdowns.

The Bulldogs› defense made an immediate impact when Sam Fongang intercepted Arkansas State quarterback Trey Owens at the Tech 9-yard line on the Red Wolves› opening possession. Tech capitalized with a 10-play, 91-yard scoring drive highlighted by a 27-yard completion to Finley on third down and a 34-yard quarterback keeper by Baker. Finley capped the possession with a 1-yard rushing touchdown to give Louisiana Tech a 7-0 lead with 5:31 remaining in the opening quarter.

Arkansas State answered with a 15-play, 65-yard drive that ended in a 45-yard field goal by Clune Van Andel early in the second quarter, cutting the deficit to 7-3. The Bulldogs responded by scoring 21 unanswered points before halftime.

Baker connected with Mickens for gains of 19 and 30 yards on Tech›s ensuing possession before finding Finley for a 10-yard touchdown pass to extend the lead to 14-3 with 6:42 remaining in the half.

After the Bulldog defense forced a three-and-out, Dedrick Latulas returned a punt 34 yards to the Arkansas State 18-yard line. Baker found Marcus Calwise Jr. for an 18-yard touchdown on the next play, pushing Tech›s advantage to 21-3.

Arkansas State threatened to cut into the deficit late in the half, but Van Andel missed a 50-yard field goal with 1:01 remaining. Louisiana Tech needed just two plays to capitalize, as Baker connected with Rayshun Hurt on a 52-yard screen pass for a touchdown, sending the Bulldogs into halftime with a 28-3 advantage.

The Bulldogs continued to control the game defensively in the second half. Lexington Matthews pinned Arkansas State at its 1-yard line with a 45-yard punt early in the third quarter, while the Tech defense held the Red Wolves scoreless over the final two quarters.

Baker added his fifth total touchdown of the night on a 7-yard rushing score with 3:38 remaining in the third quarter, extending LA Tech›s lead to 35-3.

The Bulldogs carried their momentum into the fourth quarter as Baker connected with Mickens for a 24-yard touchdown pass to cap a seven-play, 63-yard drive.

Andrew Burnette closed the scoring with a 22-yard touchdown run with 35 seconds remaining, completing a 14-play, 84-yard possession that consumed more than eight minutes.

| Team Statistics | Arkansas State | LA Tech |
|---|---|---|
| First Downs | 13 | 23 |
| Net Yards Rushing | 26 | 169 |
| Net Yards Passing | 209 | 319 |
| Comp. - Att. - Int. | 18-28-1 | 19-28-0 |
| Avg. / Att. | 7.5 | 11.4 |
| Avg. / Comp. | 11.6 | 16.8 |
| TDs | 0 | 4 |
| TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS | 235 | 488 |
| Plays | 56 | 64 |
| Avg. / Play | 4.2 | 7.6 |
| Fumbles - Lost | 2-1 | 0-0 |
| Penalties - Yards | 12-85 | 3-35 |
| PUNTS-YARDS | 5-232 | 3-123 |
| Avg. / Punt | 46.4 | 41.0 |
| Inside 20 | 1 | 3 |
| 50+ Yards | 3 | 0 |
| Touchbacks | 0 | 0 |
| Fair Catch | 1 | 1 |
| KICKOFFS-YARDS | 2-130 | 8-519 |
| Avg. Yards / Kickoff | 65.0 | 64.9 |
| Touchbacks | 2 | 6 |
| RETURNS | | |
| Punt: Total - Yards - TDs | 1-8-0 | 4-62-0 |
| Punt: Avg. / Return | 8.0 | 15.5 |
| Kickoff: Total - Yards - TDs | 0-0-0 | 0-0-0 |
| INT: Total - Yards - TDs | 0-0-0 | 1-0-0 |
| Possession Time | 30:17 | 29:43 |
| Sacks: Total - Yards | 2-7 | 4-32 |
| PAT: Total - Made | 0-0 | 6-7 |
| Field Goals: Total - Made | 1-2 | 0-0 |

Scoring Summary

1st 05:31 LAT - Finley, El 1 yd run (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 11:24 ASU - Van Andel, Clune 45 yd field goal
2nd 06:42 LAT - Finley, Eli 10 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 05:02 LAT - Calwise Jr., Marcus 18 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Kent, Kaegen kick)
2nd 00:44 LAT - Hurt, Rayshun 52 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Kent, Kaegen kick)
3rd 03:38 LAT - Baker, Blake 7 yd run (Kent, Kaegen kick)
4th 12:41 LAT - Mickens, Jalen 24 yd pass from Baker, Blake (Kent, Kaegen kick)
4th 00:35 LAT - Burnette, Andrew 22 yd run (Finley, Eli kick no good)

| Score by Quarters | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Southern Miss | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| LA Tech | 7 | 21 | 7 | 13 | 48 |

Stadium: Origin Bank Field at Joe Aillet Stadium
Kickoff Time: 6:02 p.m.
End of Game: 9:02 p.m.
Attendance: 15,316