

2023 Football Game Notes

MISSOURI STATE BEARS



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2023 BEARS SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER

Fri. 1 at (RV) Kansas ESPN+ L 17-48
 Sat. 9 at (RV) UT Martin L 31-38
 Sat. 23 Utah Tech ESPN+ 2:00 p.m.
 Sat. 30 at Southern Illinois* ESPN+ 4:00 p.m.

OCTOBER

Sat. 7 North Dakota State* ESPN+ 2:00 p.m.
 Sat. 14 at Western Illinois* ESPN+ 3:00 p.m.
 Sat. 21 Murray State* ESPN+ (HC) 2:00 p.m.
 Sat. 28 at Youngstown State* ESPN+ 1:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER

Sat. 4 Illinois State* ESPN+ 2:00 p.m.
 Sat. 11 Northern Iowa* ESPN+ 2:00 p.m.
 Sat. 18 at South Dakota State* ESPN+ 2:00 p.m.

*Missouri Valley Football Conference games (0-0):
 (MSU does not play South Dakota, North Dakota or Indiana State).
 Television designations in bold. Times listed are Central time.
 Home games (bold) at Robert W. Plaster Stadium, Springfield.

SERIES HISTORY

Missouri State Record vs. Utah Tech 1-0
 at Home 0-0
 at St. George 1-0
 First Meeting MSU 55, UT 24 (11/20/21)
 Last Meeting MSU 55, UT 24 (11/20/21)

Last Five Meetings

11/20/21 at St. George, Utah W 55-24
 ■ PF - 55 (55.0); PA - 24 (24.0)

HEAD COACH RYAN BEARD

Career 0-2 (first season)
 at Missouri State 0-2 (first season)
 Home 0-0
 Away 0-2
 Conference 0-0
 Non-Conference 0-2
 Season Openers 0-1
 Home Openers 0-0
 vs. Utah Tech 0-0
 Last Season... Defensive Coordinator at MSU (since 2020)

2023 SEASON AWARDS

Preseason All-MVFC

First Team Grant Burkett (P)
 First Team Caden Bolz (LS)
 Second Team Jacardia Wright (RB)
 Second Team PJ Hall (DB)
 Honorable Mention Stetson Moore (TE)
 Honorable Mention Von Young (LB)

Phil Steele MVFC Preseason Team

First Team Grant Burkett (P)
 First Team Caden Bolz (LS)
 Second Team Jacardia Wright (RB)
 Third Team Devin Goree (DL)
 Fourth Team Von Young (LB)

Bluebloods MVFC Preseason Team

First Team Grant Burkett (P)
 Second Team Jacardia Wright (RB)

Stats Perform Preseason All-America

Third Team Grant Burkett (P)

Phil Steele's College Football Preview Preseason All-Am.

Third Team Grant Burkett (P)
 Fourth Team Caden Bolz (LS)

FCS Punter of the Year

Preseason Watch List Grant Burkett (P)

MISSOURI STATE vs. UTAH TECH

GAME 3



Missouri St. BEARS	Utah Tech TRAILBLAZERS
0-2 (0-0 MVFC)	1-2 (0-0 UAC)

DATE: Saturday, Sept. 23, 2023
TIME: 2:02 p.m. (Central)
LOCATION: Robert W. Plaster Stadium (17,500)
 Springfield, Missouri
SERIES: Missouri State leads 1-0
 Last Mtg: MSU 55, UT 24 (11/20/21)
TV: MC-22 / ESPN+ (Don West, Tom Mast)
RADIO: KWTQ 101.3 FM | MSU Bears Radio Network
 (Art Hains, Corey Riggs)
LIVE STATS: StatBroadcast.com
TICKETS: MissouriStateBears.com | (417) 836-7678



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FIRST AND TEN

- ◆ Missouri State makes its long-awaited home debut this week when the Bears entertain Utah Tech on Saturday at 2 p.m. on Family Weekend at Robert W. Plaster Stadium. This will be the home debut of Bears head coach Ryan Beard who was named the program's head coach on Dec. 19, 2022.
- ◆ The Bears are **70-37-4** all-time in home openers, including a **29-10-2** mark in such games as a Division I program (since 1982). During his time as defensive coordinator, Ryan Beard was 2-1 in home openers with the Bears.
- ◆ Missouri State begins its 83rd season at Robert W. Plaster Stadium, holding an all-time home record of **225-181-12** (.553) since 1941.
- ◆ Long-time Bears broadcaster Art Hains will make his return to the radio booth on Saturday after fighting back from a life-threatening illness this past year. Hains is in his second stint and 44th season overall behind the microphone for Missouri State.
- ◆ Missouri State enters the weekend with the **No. 5** strength of schedule in FCS, according to MasseyRatings.com.
- ◆ With a **44.0** career punting average (on 173 attempts), **Grant Burkett** (Jr., Joplin, Mo.) is the nation's active career leader in that category. He holds three of Missouri State's top four single-season punting averages, including a school-record **46.2** average in 2021. He is coming off a 45.5 average at UT Martin on 4 attempts.
- ◆ **Jacob Clark**'s 332-yard passing effort at UT Martin in week 2 was the 22nd-best single-game passing effort in Missouri State history as he completed 23-of-42 attempts with 3 touchdowns and no interceptions. All-time, the Bears have had 11 QB's throw for 330 yards and 3 touchdowns in a game, most recently by Jason Shelley vs. Western Illinois (10/29/22). **Clark** (Rockwall, Texas) ranks **24th** nationally in passing yards per game (237.5), which is 4th in the MVFC.
- ◆ Last year's homecoming win over Western Illinois (10/29/22) was also the last time the Bears racked up 500 yards of total offense and at least 25 first downs in a game. MoState outgained UT Martin 513-512 in week 2 and turned in 26 first downs.
- ◆ MSU is a perfect **6-for-6** in the red zone this season which gives the Bears a share of the national lead in red zone efficiency. South Dakota State (11-for-11) and South Dakota (8-for-8) are the only other MVFC clubs to register perfect red zone efforts so far in the young season.
- ◆ Missouri State also ranks in the top 20 nationally in four other offensive categories, including **16th** in passing offense (272.5), **16th** in fewest sacks allowed per game (1.0), **18th** in fewest fumbles lost (1), and **20th** in 4th down efficiency (.333).
- ◆ Bears safety **Todric McGee** (So., Wichita Kan.) ranks **3rd** nationally in solo tackles per game (9.0) and **4th** nationally in total tackles per game (13.5), both of which lead the MVFC.
- ◆ **Raylen Sharpe** (Jr., Allen, Texas) ranks **18th** nationally (and 2nd in the MVFC) in receptions per game (6.0) and **25th** in receiving yards per game (81.5). He is coming off a career-best game at UT Martin with 7 catches for **142** yards (20.3 ypc) and a touchdown.
- ◆ Missouri State ranks **14th** nationally in net punting (41.60) and **20th** in punt return defense (2.00).
- ◆ **J'mariyae Robinson** (Rfr., Cocoa, Fla.) has scored 3 touchdowns already this season, which ranks **22nd** nationally in scoring per game (9.0) and **4th** in The Valley.
- ◆ MoState is one of the least penalized teams in the country heading into this week's game. The Bears are **8th** nationally in fewest penalties (8) and **7th** nationally in fewest penalty yards (70).
- ◆ The Bears have **20** players on the roster this season with experience at the NCAA FBS level, including five wide receivers and **10** newcomers.
- ◆ Utah Tech is a member of the United Athletic Conference, which also includes Abilene Christian, Austin Peay, Central Arkansas, Eastern Kentucky, North Alabama, Southern Utah, Stephen F. Austin, and Tarleton State.

IMPOSSIBLE IS NOTHING



Numerical Roster

0	Kaunor Ashley**	CB
0	Jmariyae Robinson^	WR
2	Jordan Pachot^	QB
2	Darion Smith	DL
3	Jakairi Moses	RB
3	DeAndre Washington^	S
4	Cole Feuerbacher	QB
4	Todric McGee*	S
5	Jayden Becks	RB
5	Kaleno Levine	CB
6	Donovan Clark*	CB
6	Raylen Sharpe*	WR
7	Tavir Williams	S
8	Devin Goree***	DL
8	Larry Wright III*	WR
9	Dylan Dixon	S
9	Jacardia Wright*	RB
10	Chase Brewster	QB
10	Dylan Simmons	CB
11	Angelo Butts	WR
11	Jamal McMurrin*	CB
12	Jacob Clark^	QB
12	P.J. Hall, Jr.**	S
13	Liam O'Reilly^	WR
13	Jamauri Sands	S
14	Stetson Moore*	TE
15	Ryan Boyd	WR
16	Nik Goodwin	QB
16	J.J. O'Neal*	S
17	Jared "Bird" Lloyd*	LB
18	Terique Owens**	WR
18	Dallas Winner-Johnson	LB
19	Jayden Gillens	WR
19	Khai'mon Samuel	CB
20	Floyd Williams	CB
21	Steven Ward*	LB
22	Ramone Green Jr.	RB
22	Lemondre Joe*	CB
23	Heston Miller	S
24	Trae Thompson**	TE
25	Caleb Blake*	CB
26	Tahj Chambers**	LB
27	Jahiel Blue-Smith^	CB
28	Michael Teason	LB
28	Avery Powell	CB
30	Von Young***	LB
31	Grant Burkett***	P
31	Celdon Manning**	RB
31	Cooper Roy	LB
32	Kilifi Leaeotoa*	LB
33	Caden Wiest	DL
34	Josh Wyatt	LB
35	Owen Rozanc	K
36	Spencer Grosz^	K
37	Josh Deal	K
37	Keaton Renfro	S
39	Sage White^	RB
40	Connor Lair*	LB
43	Caleb Dietlin*	DL
44	Kanye Young	LB
45	Caden Bolz***	LS
47	Caden Kellow	LS
50	Mitchell Toney	DL
52	Ethan Merrell	DL
52	Thomas Schulte^	OL
54	Tevita Fuimaono*	OL
57	Gilles Tchio^	OL
57	Izaac Tauilili	DL
58	Hutson Lillibridge	OL
66	Grant Goodson*	OL
70	Justin Curtis	OL
71	Cash Hudson^	OL
72	Mark Hutchinson^	OL
73	Jax Rumsey	OL
74	Erick Cade	OL
75	Ivan Madrigal	OL
76	Cristian Loaiza^	OL
77	Danielson Ike	OL
78	Ja'Veo Toliver**	OL
79	Brett Harris^	OL
80	Watson Hafer	TE
81	Deamikkio Nathan	WR
83	George Sims	WR
84	D'Vontae Key***	WR
85	Lance Mason*	TE
87	Gary Clinton*	TE
88	Hunter Wood***	WR
90	Sterling Smithson*	DL
91	Tim Brantley Jr.	DL
93	Alama Collins	DL
94	Raveion Harrell^	DL
95	Jalen Williams***	DL
96	Armon Wallace***	DL
97	Andrew Link	DL
98	Jayson Caldwell^	DL

* number of varsity letters; ^ returning squad member

OFFENSE TWO DEEP

Pos.	No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown	Notes
LT	77	Danielson Ike	6-6	325	Jr.	TR	Kansas City, Mo.	Started first two games of season; Transfer from SMU (2019-22)
	78	Ja'Veo Toliver	6-5	302	Jr.	2L/3SQ	Springfield, Mo.	Moved to offensive line in 2023; Fourth-year Bear
LG	76	Cristian Loaiza	6-5	315	RFr.	1SQ	Wesley Chapel, Fla.	Earned starts at UTM & KU; Played in 1 game in 2022 (vs. WIU)
	70	Justin Curtis	6-5	315	So.	TR	Santa Clarita, Calif.	Transfer from Wagner (FCS); started in 2022
OC	58	Hutson Lillibridge	6-3	318	So.	TR	St. Louis, Mo.	Started first two games of 2023; Transfer from Tulane (2021-22)
	71	Cash Hudson	6-3	290	RFr.	1SQ	Tulsa, Okla.	Redshirted as a true freshman in 2022 (0g)
RG	72	Mark Hutchinson	6-2	298	So.	3SQ	Hayward, Calif.	Started at UTM; Fourth-year squadman
	57	Gilles Tchio	6-3	303	RFr.	1SQ	Milton, Ga.	Starter at KU in Game 1; Bears were 3-1 in 4g he played in 2022
RT	74	Erick Cade	6-7	345	So.	TR	Denton, Texas	Earned start for game at UTM; Transfer from Ole Miss (2021-22)
	66	Grant Goodson	6-6	309	So.	1L/3SQ	Norman, Okla.	Was starting RT in Week 1 at KU; Appeared in 11g last season
TE	87	Gary Clinton	6-4	250	RSO.	1L/2SQ	Webb City, Mo.	Played in 12g as true freshman (2021); Medical redshirt in 2022
	85	Lance Mason	6-3	249	So.	1L	Rockwall, Texas	Earned start at UTM, had 40-yard reception; Started 10 games in '22
	14	Stetson Moore	6-4	247	Sr.	1L	Philadelphia, Miss.	Earned start at Kansas in Week 1; Preseason All-MVFC
QB	12	Jacob Clark	6-5	226	RSO.	1SQ	Rockwall, Texas	Passed for 332 yards and 3 TD (no Int.) at UTM; Minn. transfer
	2	Jordan Pachot	6-2	203	Jr.	1SQ	Highland, Calif.	Completed 4-of-6 yds. at UTM (70 yds.); Dressed all 11g in 2022
RB	9	Jacardia Wright	6-0	220	Jr.	1L	Decatur, Ill.	18 carries, 46 yds, TD at UTM; Preseason All-MVFC
	31	Celdon Manning	5-10	182	Jr.	2L/3SQ	Allen, Texas	9.0 ypc at UT Martin; All-MVFC / All-Newcomer Team in 2020-21;
WR	84	D'Vontae Key	5-10	185	Jr.	3L	Raytown, Mo.	Had 2 receptions at UTM (32 yds.) and KU (23 yds.); 4th-year Bear
	0	Jmariyae Robinson	6-1	171	RFr.	1SQ	Cocoa, Fla.	3 rec., 38 yds., TD at UTM; Had 2 TD's at KU (1 rush, 1 rec.)
SWR	6	Raylen Sharpe	5-9	172	Jr.	1L	Allen, Texas	Career-high 7 rec., 142 yds., TD at UTM; 5 rec., 23 yards at Kansas
	88	Hunter Wood	6-1	205	Jr.	3L	Springdale, Ark.	Career-best 7 catches, 74 yds., at UT Martin; Key on special teams
WR	88	Hunter Wood	6-1	205	Jr.	3L	Springdale, Ark.	Fourth-year Bear; 5 rec., 60 yds., 2TD in 2022
	18	Terique Owens	6-3	200	Sr.	2L	Pleasanton, Calif.	Had 3 receptions for 34 yds. at UTM; Son of Terrell Owens

DEFENSE TWO DEEP

Pos.	No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown	Notes
DE	2	Darion Smith	6-4	260	Jr.	TR	St. Louis, Mo.	5 stops at UTM, sack, 2 QBH; 2 tackles at KU
	43	Caleb Dietlin*	6-3	246	So.	1L/2SQ	Aurora, Ill.	Played at UTM and KU; Third-year Bear; Played 10g in 2022 (10 TT)
DT	90	Sterling Smithson	6-3	325	So.	1L/2SQ	Overland Park, Kan.	1 tackle at UTM and KU; Played in 5g in 2022 before injury at UNI
	93	Alama Collins	6-1	302	Jr.	TR	Long Beach, Calif.	Posted a solo tackle in reserve appearance at UT Martin
-OR-	50	Mitchell Toney	6-2	285	Fr.	HS	Louisville, Ky.	3 tackles, QBH at UTM; Had 1 tackle in opener at KU; True freshman
DT	96	Armon Wallace	6-0	300	Jr.	3L	St. Charles, Mo.	3 QBH, 6 tackles at UTM (2 solo); 2 stops at KU; Fourth-year Bear
	91	Tim Brantley Jr.	6-1	320	Fr.	HS	Allen, Texas	True freshman; First-team all-district performer as HS senior
DE	8	Devin Goree	6-3	254	Jr.	3L	Denton, Texas	5 tackles, TFL at UT Martin; Started 10g last year; Fourth-yr. Bear
	95	Jalen Williams	6-4	251	Jr.	3L/4SQ	Overland Park, Kan.	4 stops at UTM; 2 tackles at KU; Fifth-year Bear
SLB	30	Von Young	6-0	218	Jr.	3L/4SQ	Buckner, Mo.	Sack, 4 tackles at UTM; 5 tackles, 1 TFL at KU; Preseason All-MVFC
	31	Cooper Roy	6-3	228	Fr.	TR	Springfield, Mo.	True freshman; Set Missouri HS record for career sacks (59)
MLB	17	Jared "Bird" Lloyd	6-3	231	So.	1L	Daytona Beach, Fla.	3 assisted tackles, QBH at UTM; 6 tackles, FF, at Kansas
	44	Kanye Young	6-1	235	So.	TR	Menifee, Calif.	Transfer from Reedley (Calif.) College; 10+ tackles 2x in last 3g of '22
WLB	26	Tahj Chambers	6-2	215	Jr.	2L/3SQ	Arlington, Texas	4 stops at UTM; 6 tackles at Kansas; Started 8 of 11g in 2022
	21	Steven Ward	6-0	210	RSO.	1L/2SQ	Nixa, Mo.	3 stops at KU; Redshirted in 2022 (4g); 1x MVFC Special Tms POW
CB	29	Avery Powell	5-10	175	RFr.	TR	East Orange, N.J.	Had 10 tackles at UTM, 1 PBU; Transfer from Holy Cross (2022)
	6	Donovan Clark	6-2	189	Jr.	1L/2SQ	Sumner, Wash.	Had an assisted tackle in game at UTM; solo tackle at Kansas
SS	12	P.J. Hall, Jr.	6-3	199	Jr.	2L/3SQ	Little Rock, Ark.	5 tackles at UTM, 4 solos; 2 tackles at KU; Preseason All-MVFC
	16	J.J. O'Neal	6-2	187	So.	1L	Rogersville, Mo.	1 stop in season opener at KU; Played in 10g as true freshman in '22
FS	4	Todric McGee	6-1	198	So.	1L/2SQ	Wichita, Kan.	15 stops, 3 PBU at UTM; 12 tackles at KU (10 solo)
	3	DeAndre Washington	6-2	187	RJr.	1SQ	Wellington, Kan.	Redshirted in 2022 (0g); Played at Hutch. JC; From Wellington, Kan.
CB	22	Lemondre Joe	6-0	172	RSO.	1L/2SQ	Deltona, Fla.	2 tackles, PBU at UTM; Started 9g in 2021 with 33 tackles, 3 INT
	11	Jamal McMurrin	5-11	191	Sr.	1L	West Salem, Ore.	Solo stop at UTM; 2 PBU at Kansas; Played in 10g (2 starts) in '22

SPECIALIST TWO DEEP

Pos.	No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown	Notes
KO	36	Spencer Grosz	5-11	180	Jr.	2SQ	Olathe, Kan.	59.8 average on 6 kickoffs at UTM; Touchdown-saving tackle at KU
	35	Owen Rozanc	5-10	197	Sr.	TR	Sheffield Lake, Ohio	Averaged 51.3 yards on 177 career kickoffs at BGSU and W.Liberty
PK	35	Owen Rozanc	5-10	197	Sr.	TR	Sheffield Lake, Ohio	38 FG at UTM; 37 FG at Kansas; Career long 46
	36	Spencer Grosz	5-11	180	Jr.	2SQ	Olathe, Kan.	Kansas 6A all-state pick at Olathe East High
P	31	Grant Burkett	6-1	180	Jr.	3L/4SQ	Joplin, Mo.	42.0 average; 2x AP All-American; 3x All-MVFC selection
H	31	Grant Burkett	6-1	180	Jr.	3L/4SQ	Joplin, Mo.	Fourth season at Missouri State's primary PAT/FG holder
LS	45	Caden Bolz	6-0	210	Jr.	3L/4SQ	Overland Park, Kan.	Preseason All-Am.; All-MVFC; Perfect on 98 long snaps last season
	47	Caden Kellow	6-1	220	RFr.	TR	Brentwood, Tenn.	Transfer from Utah State; Redshirted last season
KR	84	D'Vontae Key	5-10	185	Jr.	3L	Raytown, Mo.	Averaged 24.2 yds on KO return in 2022; Fourth-year Bear
	3	Jakairi Moses	5-9	195	Sr.	TR	Palm Beach, Fla.	Transfer from Western Ky., 7th-year player (44g)
PR	6	Raylen Sharpe	5-9	172	Jr.	1L	Allen, Texas	5.0 avg on 3 returns at UTM; Ran track at Houston in 2021-22
	88	Hunter Wood	6-1	205	Jr.	3L	Springdale, Ark.	Averaged 2.9 yds. per punt return in 2021 as a freshman

MISSOURI VALLEY FOOTBALL

2023 Standings

Team	Conf.	PF	PA	Overall	PF	PA
Illinois State	1-0	34	18	2-1	88	32
North Dakota State	0-0	0	0	3-0	128	48
South Dakota State	0-0	0	0	3-0	135	30
Southern Illinois	0-0	0	0	3-0	89	59
North Dakota	0-0	0	0	2-1	110	71
South Dakota	0-0	0	0	2-1	69	41
Youngstown State	0-0	0	0	2-1	107	73
Murray State	0-0	0	0	1-2	55	101
Northern Iowa	0-0	0	0	1-2	67	81
Missouri State	0-0	0	0	0-2	48	86
Indiana State	0-0	0	0	0-3	14	113
Western Illinois	0-1	18	34	0-3	79	135

Saturday, Sept. 23

Lindenwood at Illinois State.....	12:00 p.m.
Utah Tech at Missouri State.....	2:00 p.m.
Western Illinois at Southern Utah.....	7:00 p.m.

BEARS RADIO NETWORK

Ava	KKOZ (1430 AM)
Ava	KKOZ (92.1 FM)
California / Jefferson City	KRLL (1420 AM)
Poplar Bluff	KLID (1340 AM)
Springfield (Flagship).....	KWTO (101.3 FM)
Online	Varsity App | www.RadioSpringfield.com

BEARS ACTIVE STREAKS

Consecutive Games Played

- 35, Devin Goree (DL) (started 9/12/20)
- 35, Caden Bolz (LS) (started 9/12/20)
- 35, Grant Burkett (P) (started 9/12/20)
- 35, Von Young (LB) (started 9/12/20)

Consecutive Games Started

- 13, Von Young (LB) (started 9/1/22)

Consecutive Games With a Touchdown Pass

- 2, Jacob Clark (QB) (started 9/1/23)

Consecutive Games With a Pass Reception

- 10, Raylen Sharpe (WR) (started 9/24/22)

Consecutive PAT's Converted

- 20, Owen Rozanc (started 10/16/21 at West Liberty)

Consecutive Field Goals Made

- 1, Owen Rozanc (started 9/10/23)

CAREER MILESTONE GAMES

100-Yard Rushing Games

- 120, Jacardia Wright vs. UT Martin, 9/8/22

200-Yard Passing Games

- 332, Jacob Clark at UT Martin, 9/9/23

100-Yard Receiving Games

- 142, Raylen Sharpe at UT Martin, 9/9/23
- 117, Celdon Manning vs. Southern Illinois, 3/27/21

10-Tackle Games

- 15, Todric McGee at UT Martin, 9/9/23
- 12, Von Young at North Dakota, 10/1/22
- 12, Todric McGee at Northern Iowa, 10/22/22
- 12, Todric McGee at Kansas, 9/1/23
- 11, Von Young at Indiana State, 11/19/22
- 10, Von Young vs. Southern Illinois, 10/8/22
- 10, Avery Powell at UT Martin, 9/9/23

INSIDE THE DEN RADIO SHOW

The "Inside the Den" Radio show with coach Ryan Beard and hosts Art Hains and Corey Riggs airs every Wednesday throughout the season on KWTO (93.3 FM and 560 AM), starting at 7 p.m. The show originates from Big Shots Golf (1930 E. Kearney) in Springfield with door prizes, food and drink specials on site every week.

WEEKLY MEDIA AVAILABILITY

Missouri State head coach Ryan Beard and select players will take questions from media representatives every Monday at 1:30 p.m. in the Plaster Stadium west lobby.

Replays of each week's media pressers and postgame press conferences will be posted to the MSUBears YouTube page.

HEAD COACH RYAN BEARD

Missouri State University officially presented **Ryan Beard** as its new head football coach on Dec. 19, 2022 during a news conference in Great Southern Bank Arena on the Springfield campus.

At 34, Beard is the program's youngest head coach on record and is the 22nd person to hold the football Bears' top coaching position. His elevation to head coach came on the heels of three seasons as MSU's defensive coordinator (2020-22) under former head coach Bobby Petrino.

Beard has played a significant role in Missouri State's resurgence on the gridiron, managing a defensive unit that has boasted 18 all-conference selections, four All-Americans and three professional players in his tenure at MoState.

In his first campaign in Springfield in 2020-21, Beard and his defensive unit broke the program record for sacks with 27, created 15 turnovers, and held every Missouri Valley Football Conference foe under 30 points for the first time since 1989. His inaugural season at MSU culminated in five all-conference selections, while the Bears captured a share of the MVFC championship and earned an NCAA playoff berth.

As an encore effort in 2021, Beard's second year with the program saw the Bears top the club sack record again (30) while racking up 25 takeaways and securing 15 interceptions. In addition to making a second straight NCAA playoff appearance in 2021, MSU finished in sole possession of second place in the rugged Missouri Valley Football Conference, ranked ninth nationally in turnovers gained and finished 14th in interceptions per game. The 2021 Bears also boasted five all-conference players on the defensive side of the ball while Bears' defensive lineman Eric Johnson was drafted by the Indianapolis Colts in the fifth round of the 2022 NFL Draft.

The 2022 Bears defense gave up just 15.8 points per game over their last four games with defensive end Kevin Ellis leading the nation in fumble recoveries, and four MSU defenders earning all-conference laurels.

Before coming to Missouri State, Beard spent the 2019 season at Central Michigan as the special teams and safeties coach for head coach Jim McElwain. He joined the Central Michigan staff in February of 2019 and helped lead the Chippewas to an 8-6 campaign on a defensive secondary that created 13 interceptions.

Beard served as an assistant at Louisville during the 2017 and 2018 seasons, starting as the defensive backs coach and in quality control before moving on to become the Cardinals' linebackers coach and their co-special teams coordinator. As the defensive backs coach at Western Kentucky in 2016, Beard helped lead the Hilltoppers to the CUSA championship and a win in the Boca Raton Bowl.

Beard was a standout defensive back at Western Kentucky himself from 2007-11. He was a two-time All-Sun Belt Conference selection and was named to the league's All-Freshman squad and its All-Academic team. A native of Bowling Green, Ky., Beard was a four-year letterman at Bowling Green High for coach Kevin Wallace, where his efforts helped the Purples advance to the state 3A championship contest each of his last two years.

Beard holds two degrees from Western Kentucky: a bachelor of science in Business Management (2012), and a master of science in Recreation and Sport Administration (2014).

He is married to the former Katie Petrino. The couple have four children with son Beau and daughter Lainey, in addition to twins Jacob and Kailey born in the spring of 2022.

THE SERIES

In the only previous meeting between the Bears and Utah Tech (formerly Dixie State), Missouri State closed out the 2021 regular season by rolling up a season-high 574 yards in a **55-24** non-conference win (11/20/21) in St. George. The MVFC runners-up got 251 passing yards from quarterback Jason Shelley, who extended his club single-season passing total over 3,000 yards. He completed 13-of-24 passes with a TD and also rushed for a score. Kevon Latulas also stood out for MSU, rushing for 162 yards and two touchdowns on just eight carries, while Ty Scott caught eight passes for 174 yards, becoming Missouri State's single-season receiving yards record holder.

After leading 27-3 at the half, Missouri State scored four times in the second half, including a defensive touchdown, a special teams score and three offensive TD drives. Dixie State's Kobe Tracy was 24-for-49 for 307 yards, while Drew Kannelly-Robles carries 22 times for a team-high 78 yards for the home side.

BEARS ON THE AIR

All Missouri State games will air live on the Missouri State Radio Network with Springfield flagship station KWTO (101.3 FM) providing the feed to the four-station network and online with the Varsity App.

The voice of the Bears, **Art Hains**, first began calling Missouri State action in 1977 and is in his second stint and **44th** season overall behind the microphone. He called MSU games from 1977-81 and returned for his second stint in 1985. A member of the Missouri State Athletics Hall of Fame and Missouri Sports Hall of Fame, Hains celebrated his **2,500th** MSU sports event on Nov. 9, 2019. After a life-threatening battle with West Nile virus that began in September of 2022 (after week three), Hains is making his long-awaited return to the booth for home games this fall.

Missouri State alum **Corey Riggs**, returns to the booth for the second straight year as a key part of the Bears radio team. In addition to filling in for Hains on the radio side last season, Riggs has worked on MSU home football TV broadcasts for more than two decades. He will handle color analyst duties most of the season and serve as the production anchor for all home and away football broadcasts.

Steve Savard, the former voice of the St. Louis Rams (1999 to 2015) and current news anchor at KOLR-10 TV joins the Missouri State broadcast team this season. An Emmy Award-winning broadcaster, Savard will handle play-by-play duties for away games. The St. Louis native attended Parkway North High School and Northwest Missouri State University where he played football and graduated in 1986 with degrees in English and Journalism.

LEADING THE SLEUTH

MoState's co-captains for the 2023 season are **Grant Burkett** (P, Joplin, Mo.), **PJ Hall** (S, Little Rock, Ark.), **Raylen Sharpe** (WR, Allen, Texas), **Darion Smith** (DL, St. Louis, Mo.) and **Jacardia Wright** (RB, Decatur, Ill.). All five players are first-time captains.



MVFC PRESEASON POLL

1. South Dakota State (44).....	539
2. North Dakota State (1).....	492
3. Northern Iowa.....	409
4. North Dakota.....	399
5. Southern Illinois.....	337
6. Youngstown State.....	323
7. Illinois State.....	269
8. Missouri State.....	229
9. South Dakota.....	226
10. Indiana State.....	148
11. Murray State.....	74
12. Western Illinois.....	65

BEARS WITH FBS EXPERIENCE

Caleb Blake.....	Colorado State (2019-20); Florida State (2021)
Angelo Butts.....	Miami Ohio (2021-22)
Erick Cade.....	Ole Miss (2021-22)
Donovan Clark.....	Boise State (2020)
Jacob Clark.....	Minnesota (2019-21)
Dylan Dixon.....	Colorado (2022)
Caden Kellow.....	Utah State (2022)
Danielson Ike.....	SMU (2019-22)
Kilifi Leaaetoea.....	Fresno State (2018)
Jamal McMurrin.....	Washington State (2019-20)
Stetson Moore.....	Liberty (2021)
Jakairi Moses.....	Western Kentucky (2017-22)
Deamikkio Nathan.....	UNLV (2021-22)
Terique Owens.....	Florida Atlantic (2019-20)
Owen Rozanc.....	Bowling Green (2022)
Raylen Sharpe.....	Houston (2021)
Darion Smith.....	Charlotte (2020-22)
Tavie Williams.....	ULM (2019-22)
Jacardia Wright.....	Kansas State (2019-21)
Larry Wright III.....	Minnesota (2019-21)

CURRENT BEARS WITH UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

Caden Bolz
Grant Burkett
Danielson Ike
Celdon Manning
Stetson Moore
Jakairi Moses
Owen Rozanc
Elijah Tomlin
Jalen Williams
Tavie Williams

MSU SEASON PUNTING AVG.

46.2, Grant Burkett, 2021
45.7, Pat Hogan, 1965
43.2, Grant Burkett, 2022
43.0, Grant Burkett, 2020-21
42.8, Nathan Stokes, 2006
42.8, Brendan Withrow, 2019

FCS ACTIVE CAREER PUNT AVG.

1. Grant Burkett, Missouri St.....	44.0
2. Ryan Kost, Delaware.....	43.8
3. Max Quick, SFA.....	42.7
4. Jack Culbreath, VMI.....	42.6
5. Tyler Pastula, Albany.....	42.4

330-YD./3 TD PASSING GAMES

Player (opponent, date)	Yds.	TD
A.J. Porter (vs. Illinois State, 11/8/03).....	460	5
DeAndre Smith (at Tulsa, 9/8/90).....	405	3
Peyton Huslig (vs. Southern Illinois, 10/27/18).....	404	4
Jay Rogers (at Southern Illinois, 10/30/99).....	395	5
Jason Shelley (at Youngstown St., 10/9/21).....	372	4
Jeremy Hoog (at UNI, 10/19/96).....	358	3
Jason Shelley (vs. North Dakota, 10/30/21).....	349	3
A.J. Porter (at Western Illinois, 11/15/03).....	347	5
Jay Rogers (vs. Indiana State, 11/20/99).....	346	3
Brodie Lambert (vs. Southern Illinois, 10/29/16).....	339	4
Jacob Clark (at UT Martin, 9/9/23).....	332	3

BURKETT ON FCS PUNTER OF YEAR WATCH LIST

Bears punter **Grant Burkett** (So., Joplin, Mo.) has been named to the 2023 FCS Punter of the Year Award Preseason Watch List, as announced Aug. 1 by the Augusta Sports Council and Ray Guy Award Committee. The list of 17 candidates was compiled based on last season's watch list, all-conference squads and All-America teams, as well as the 2022 preseason all-conference teams. Burkett was a finalist for the award last season.

In 2022, Burkett was named to the Associated Press FCS All-America Team as a third-team selection after earning All-MVFC first-team honors for the third straight season. He ranked 12th nationally and tops in MVFC in punting average (43.2) last season and finished the season with 14 punts downed inside 20 and 11 punts of 50 yards or more. In 2021, he made four FCS All-America teams, including second-team selections by the AFCA, Stats Perform and Hero Sports, and a third-team selection by the Associated Press.



ALL IN THE FAMILY

Missouri State's **Ryan Beard** became the program's 22nd head coach on Dec. 19, 2022. He replaced legendary coach Bobby Petrino, who served as head coach of the Bears for the previous three seasons (2020-22).

Upon his promotion from defensive coordinator to head coach, Beard was able to retain 8 of the 10 assistant coaches from the previous staff, including Offensive Coordinator **Nick Petrino** and Defensive Coordinator **LD Scott**. Both are Beard's brothers-in-law.

Ryan is married to the former Katie Petrino (Bobby's daughter), and L.D. Scott is married to the former Kelsey Petrino (also Bobby's daughter). Nick Petrino is (obviously) Bobby's son and Katie and Kelsey's brother.

CARDIAC BEARS CREATE FOURTH-QUARTER DRAMA

Missouri State has racked up 9 fourth-quarter comebacks over the last three seasons as follows:

Date	Opponent	Trailing/Time	Game-Winning Play (4th Qtr. Time)	Final
2/27/21	at Western Illinois	17-24 / 7:56 4th	Jaden Johnson 22 yd. pass to Isaac Smith (6:39)	W 30-24
3/13/21	at South Dakota	17-24 / 7:48 3rd	Jose Pizano 28 yd. FG (7:51)	W 27-24
3/27/21	Southern Illinois	20-27 / 5:34 4th	Jose Pizano 33 yd. FG (0:00)	W 30-27
9/11/21	Central Arkansas	30-34 / 2:14 4th	Jason Shelley 26 yd. pass to Xavier Lane (0:29)	W 43-34
9/25/21	South Dakota	14-23 / 15:00 3rd	Jason Shelley 3 yd. pass to Kevon Latulas (13:02)	W 31-23
10/30/21	North Dakota	17-28 / 13:16 4th	Jason Shelley 2 yd. pass to Isaac Smith (0:15)	W 32-28
11/13/21	Northern Iowa	Tied 27-27 / 2:14 4th	Jason Shelley 55 yd. pass to Naveon Mitchell (0:58)	W 34-27
9/8/22	UT Martin	21-24 / 1:16 3rd	Jason Shelley 7 yd. pass to Ty Scott (10:09)	W 35-30
9/12/22	Youngstown State	17-22 / 12:53 4th	Jason Shelley 9 yd. pass to Ty Scott (8:23)	W 25-22

GRID BEARS HONORED FOR ACADEMICS

A total of 35 current and former Missouri State football student-athletes were honored to the Missouri Valley Football Conference Honor Roll, as announced by the league office on April 20. Nine grid Bears were also announced as part of the league's Commissioner's Academic Excellence Award, which requires a minimum grade-point average of 3.2 for the previous two semesters, including current team members: **Caden Bolz**, **Jacob Clark**, **Gary Clinton**, **Grant Goodson**, **Celdon Manning** and **Terique Owens**.

Likewise, Missouri State's 35 members on the MVFC Honor Roll include current players: **Caden Bolz**, **Grant Burkett**, **Tahj Chambers**, **Jacob Clark**, **Gary Clinton**, **Caleb Dietlin**, **Tevita Fuimaono**, **Grant Goodson**, **Ravein Harrell**, **Brett Harris**, **Cash Hudson**, **Connor Lair**, **Cristian Loaiza**, **Celdon Manning**, **Lance Mason**, **Stetson Moore**, **J.J. O'Neal**, **Liam O'Reilly**, **Terique Owens**, **Thomas Schulte**, **Steven Ward** and **Hunter Wood**.

The MVFC Honor Roll recognizes student-athletes who have recorded a minimum 3.0 grade point average for the Fall 2022 semester. These individuals must have a minimum of 12 hours of enrollment during the season.

SIX BEARS ON PRESEASON ALL-MVFC SQUAD

Six Missouri State players were honored Aug. 1 with the release of the Preseason All-Missouri Valley Football Conference Football Team. Missouri State honorees include first-team selections **Grant Burkett** (P) and **Caden Bolz** (LS), second-team honorees **Jacardia Wright** (RB) and **P.J. Hall** (DB), as well as honorable mention performers **Stetson Moore** (TE) and **Von Young** (LB).

VALLEY PRESEASON POLL

Defending FCS national champion South Dakota State, which led the league with 20 preseason all-conference selections, was picked as the MVFC's preseason favorite to win the league title, securing 44-of-45 first-place votes. North Dakota State, UNI, North Dakota, Southern Illinois and Youngstown State rounded out the top six selections.

Illinois State was picked just ahead of the Bears in the No. 7 spot. **Missouri State** was picked eighth with South Dakota, Indiana State, Murray State and Western Illinois rounding out the poll of the league's head coaches and media personnel in positions 9-12.

BEARS IN THE NFL

Former Bears All-American linebacker **Dylan Cole** (Rogersville, Mo.) originally signed with the Houston Texans as a free agent in September of 2017 and is now in his seventh season in the NFL and playing with the Chicago Bears. Cole has appeared in 62 career NFL games with 148 career tackles.

Cole averaged 12.9 tackles per game in 2016 to lead all NCAA Division I FCS players. He recorded at least 13 tackles in nine different games as a senior, including a season-high 19 vs. SIU. The All-MVFC first-team selection was third in the 2016 Buck Buchanan Award voting as the top defensive player in the FCS ranks. Cole also played in the NFLPA Collegiate Bowl, earned CSC Academic All-District and was a first-team MVFC Scholar-Athlete Team.

Likewise, defensive lineman **Eric Johnson** (Plainfield, Ill.) was

DYLAN COLE CAREER NFL STATS

Year	Team	G-GS	Tot-UA-AT	PD	Int.
2017	Texans	12-1	32-16-16	3	2
2018	Texans	8-0	13-13-0	3	0
2019	Texans	11-0	16-13-3	1	0
2020	Texans	6-0	6-3-3	0	0
2021	Titans	9-0	16-10-6	1	0
2022	Titans	15-8	64-42-22	1	0
2023	Bears	1-0	1-0-1	0	0
Totals	7 years	62-9	148-97-51	9	2

ERIC JOHNSON CAREER NFL STATS

Year	Team	G-GS	Tot-UA-AT	SK	FR
2022	Colts	14-0	3-2-1	0	1
2023	Colts	2-0	3-1-2	0	0
Totals	2 years	16-0	5-3-2	0	1

MISSOURI STATE QUICK FACTS

MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY

Founded	1905
Location	Springfield, Mo.
Address	901 S. National Ave. Springfield, MO 65897
Enrollment (Fall 2020)	23,307 (fall 2022)
University Website	MissouriState.edu
Switchboard	(417) 836-5000
President	Clif Smart

MISSOURI STATE ATHLETICS

Nickname	Bears
School Colors	Maroon and White
National Affiliation	NCAA Division I (FCS)
Football Conference	Missouri Valley Football Conference
Other Sports	Missouri Valley Conference
Director of Athletics	Kyle Moats
Faculty Athletics Representative	James Hutter
Athletics Website	MissouriStateBears.com
Tickets	(417) 836-7678, (888) 476-7849
	MissouriStateBears.com/Tickets

ROBERT W. PLASTER STADIUM

Home Facility	Robert W. Plaster Stadium
Opened	1941 (renovated 1991, 2014)
Capacity	17,500
Surface	Sporturf Powerhouse 3C 52H
All-Time Home Record	225-181-12 (80 seasons)
Press Box Phone	(417) 836-5976

TEAM INFORMATION

2022 Overall Record	5-6
Home | Away	3-2 | 2-4
MVFC Record	3-5 (8th)
Lettermen Returning/Lost	37/29
Returning (Offense | Defense | Special Teams)	15 | 20 | 2
Not Returning (Offense | Defense | Special Teams)	12 | 16 | 1
Starters Returning/Lost	8/14
Offense	4/7
Defense	4/7
Additional Squad Members Returning	17

BEARS FOOTBALL HISTORY

First Season	1909
All-Time Record	488-527-39 (112th season)
All-Time NCAA FCS Playoff Record	1-4 (4 appearances)
NCAA appearances	1989, 1990, 2020-21, 2021
MVFC Championships	1989, 1990, 2020-21
MIAA Championships	1928, 1940, 1948, 1951, 1963, 1966, 1978

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Associate Director	Ben Adamson
Video Coordinator	Regan Jones
Graduate Assistants	Brenden Martin, Hannah Mitchell
Radio Flagship Station	KWTO (101.3 FM)
Announcers	Steve Savard, Art Hains, Corey Riggs

MISSOURI VALLEY FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

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selected by the Indianapolis Colts as the 159th overall pick of the 2022 NFL Draft (6th pick of Round 5). He begins his second NFL season in Indianapolis after seeing action in 14 games as a rookie.

Johnson played in a school-record 55 consecutive games as a five-year starter for Missouri State (2017-2021). His draft stock skyrocketed in the offseason with his standout efforts in the NFLPA Bowl and Senior Bowl games after he earned All-MVFC second-team honors in his final season in Springfield. During the 2021 campaign, Johnson racked up 43 total stops with 6.5 tackles for loss and 3 blocked kicks. He seemed to save the best for last with a career-high 11 tackles against UT Martin (11/27/21) in the NCAA FCS Playoff game at Plaster Stadium in his final college game with a forced fumble and a blocked kick. Johnson finished his collegiate career with 131 total stops, including 19.5 tackles for loss and 6.5 sacks.

Two more undrafted Bears started the 2023 NFL preseason on pro rosters. **Ty Scott** (Chiefs) played in all three preseason games, while **Montrae Braswell** (Seahawks) appeared in two games.

MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY

Missouri State University is a public, comprehensive university system with a mission in public affairs, whose purpose is to develop educated persons while achieving five goals: democratizing society, incubating new ideas, imagining Missouri's future, making Missouri's future, and modeling ethical and effective behavior.

With an enrollment of **23,307** (fall 2022), MSU is the second-largest institution for higher learning in Missouri, and its identity is distinguished by its statewide mission in public affairs. This mission requires a campus-wide commitment to foster competence and responsibility in the common vocation of citizenship. MSU is a selective admissions, graduate-level, teaching and research institution.

Notable Missouri State alums include: John Goodman (actor), Kathleen Turner (actress), Jake Burger (Miami Marlins), Ryan Howard (2009 NLCS MVP, Philadelphia Phillies), Deidre Goodwin (actress), David Glass (late owner, Kansas City Royals), John Q. Hammons (businessman, hotel developer), Bob Holden (43rd governor of Missouri), Bill Mueller (2003 American League batting champ), and Jackie Stiles (WBB Hall of Famer).

MSU is a member of the MVC in 14 sports with affiliate membership in the Missouri Valley Football Conference (MVFC), Mid-American Conference (men's swimming) and CUSA (beach volleyball).



MISSOURI VALLEY FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

Founded in 1985, the Missouri Valley Football Conference (formerly the Gateway Conference) has shaped itself into the nation's premier NCAA FCS conference. Missouri State is a charter member of the MVFC, along with current members UNI, Illinois State, Southern Illinois and Western Illinois.

The 12-team league now includes expansion members: Indiana State (1986), Youngstown State (1997), North Dakota State (2008), South Dakota State (2008), South Dakota (2013), North Dakota (2020) and Murray State (2023). The Valley has produced 10 of the last 12 national champions at the NCAA Division I FCS level with four national runners-up in that same span.

The Bears have earned MVFC conference titles in 1989, 1990 and 2020-21 with NCAA FCS playoff berths in all three of those championship seasons in addition to a 2021 playoff berth.

STATS PERFORM FCS TOP 25

No.	School (W-L)	Pts.	Prev.
1.	South Dakota State (52) (2-1)	1,396	1
2.	North Dakota State (3) (3-0)	1,339	2
3.	Montana State (2-1)	1,273	3
4.	Sacramento State (1) (3-0)	1,175	8
5.	William & Mary (3-0)	1,156	4
6.	Holy Cross (2-1)	1,090	6
7.	Idaho (2-1)	1,081	5
8.	Furman (2-1)	991	7
9.	Incarate Word (2-1)	903	10
10.	Weber State (2-1)	861	9
11.	New Hampshire (2-1)	841	11
12.	Southern Illinois (3-0)	831	15
13.	Montana (3-0)	732	12
14.	North Dakota (2-1)	609	14
15.	UC Davis (2-1)	583	16
16.	Southeast Missouri State (1-2)	508	13
17.	Rhode Island (2-1)	357	21
18.	North Carolina Central (2-1)	341	17
19.	Delaware (2-1)	333	22
20.	Samford (1-2)	280	18
21.	Mercer (2-1)	270	20
22.	Florida A&M (2-1)	239	23
23.	Western Carolina (2-1)	217	NR
24.	Youngstown State (2-1)	158	25
25.	Villanova (2-1)	119	24

Others Receiving Votes: **UT Martin** 96; **Southeastern Louisiana** 72; **Eastern Washington** 68; **Northern Iowa** 57; **Central Arkansas** 50; **Fordham** 37; **Campbell** 33; **Abilene Christian** 30; **Albany** 19; **Tennessee State** 11; **Gardner-Webb** 8; **Tarleton State** 8; **Austin Peay** 6; **Eastern Illinois** 4; **Harvard** 2; **Stephen F. Austin** 2.

AFCA FCS TOP 25

No.	School (W-L)	Pts.	Prev.
1.	South Dakota State (26) (3-0)	650	1
2.	North Dakota State (3-0)	624	2
3.	Montana State (2-1)	580	3
4.	Sacramento State (3-0)	556	6
5.	William & Mary (3-0)	549	4
6.	Holy Cross (2-1)	531	5
7.	Furman (2-1)	449	8
8.	Weber State (2-1)	435	7
9.	Incarate Word (2-1)	421	9
10.	Idaho (2-1)	375	10
11.	Montana (3-0)	353	T-11
12.	New Hampshire (2-1)	349	T-11
13.	Southern Illinois (3-0)	331	18
14.	North Dakota (2-1)	296	13
15.	UC Davis (2-1)	275	16
16.	Delaware (2-1)	222	19
17.	Samford (1-2)	212	14
18.	Rhode Island (2-1)	211	20
19.	North Carolina Central (2-1)	159	17
20.	Southeast Missouri State (1-2)	153	15
21.	Mercer (2-1)	150	21
22.	Fordham (2-1)	133	T-22
23.	Florida A&M (2-1)	121	24
24.	Youngstown State (2-1)	98	NR
25.	Harvard (1-0)	42	NR

Others Receiving Votes: **Northern Iowa** 30; **Western Carolina** 26; **Princeton** 20; **Eastern Washington** 19; **Chattanooga** 13; **Central Arkansas** 10; **Illinois State** 9; **Austin Peay** 8; **Jackson State** 7; **Stephen F. Austin** 7; **Yale** 7; **Eastern Kentucky** 5; **Hampton** 5; **Richmond** 4; **Villanova** 4; **Southeastern Louisiana** 1.

Series vs Utah Tech

Missouri State leads 1-0

11/20/2021..... at St. George, Utah..... W..... 55-24

■ PF - 55 (55.0); PA - 24 (24.0)

■ MSU is 0-0 at home, 1-0 in St. George

■ Shutouts - Bears 0, UTU 0



Last Meeting ...

(14) MISSOURI STATE 55, DIXIE STATE 24

NOV. 20, 2021 AT ST. GEORGE, UTAH

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Missouri State.....	3	24	14	14	55
Dixie State	3	0	7	14	24

SCORING SUMMARY

1st 13:01 MSU Jose Pizano 39 yd field goal, 6-53 1:59
 08:18 DSU Brooksby 45 yd field goal, 12-47 4:43
 2nd 12:38 MSU Tobias Little 7 yd run (Jose Pizano kick), 13-70 5:03
 09:58 MSU Jose Pizano 25 yd field goal, 5-63 1:20
 08:18 MSU Kevon Latulas 68 yd run (Jose Pizano kick), 1-68 0:14
 06:50 MSU Kevon Latulas 7 yd run (Jose Pizano kick), 3-50 0:34
 3rd 06:18 MSU Jason Shelley 12 yd run (Jose Pizano kick), 9-68 4:57
 05:57 MSU Lemondre Joe 38 yd interception ret (Jose Pizano kick)
 01:41 DSU Tracy 4 yd run (Day kick), 9-75 4:16
 4th 13:25 MSU N.Mitchell 6 pass from J.Shelley (Pizano kck) 6-75 3:16
 06:32 DSU Veach 13 yd pass from Tracy (Day kick), 12-92 3:30
 03:19 DSU Perkins 95 yd interception return (Day kick)
 03:14 MSU Steven Ward 57 yd kickoff return (Jose Pizano kick)

TEAM STATS	MSU	DSU
FIRST DOWNS	26	21
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	36-297	36-75
PASSING YDS (NET)	277	307
Passes Att-Comp-Int	29-15-1	49-24-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	65-574	85-382
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-2	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	4-122	3-68
Interception Returns-Yards	1-38	1-95
Punts (Number-Avg)	3-42.7	4-39.2
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	3-1
Penalties-Yards	6-69	3-25
Possession Time	28:50	31:10
Third-Down Conversions	4 of 11	12 of 22
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	2 of 4
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	5-6	2-2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	4-14	2-11

INDIVIDUAL STATS

RUSHING: (MSU) Kevon Latulas 8-162; Tobias Little 9-32; Tywuan Lee 5-30; Jason Shelley 6-28; Myron Mason 4-27; D'Vontae Key 1-17; Jake VanDyne 2-3; TEAM 1-(-2). (DSU) Drew Kannely-Robles 22-78; David Fisher 2-2; Kobe Tracy 9-1; Quah Conley 2-1; TEAM 1-(-7).

PASSING: (MSU) Jason Shelley 13-24-0-251; Jake VanDyne 2-5-1-26. (DSU) Kobe Tracy 24-49-1-307.

RECEIVING: (MSU) Tyrone Scott 8-174; Jordan Murray 2-50; Naveon Mitchell 2-12; Cairo Payne 1-16; Tobias Little 1-15; D'Vontae Key 1-10. (DSU) Keith Davis 7-146; Rickie Johnson 5-43; Devien Osborne 3-53; Michael Moten 3-34; Cade Veach 2-14; Drew Kannely-Robles 2-5; David Fisher 1-13; Quali Conley 1-(-1).

TOTAL TACKLES: (MSU) Tylar Wiltz 7; Kevin Ellis 6; Lemondre Joe 5; Ferrin Manuleleua 4. (DSU) Tyrell Grayson 12; Malaki Malaki 6; Micah Gardner 4; Isaac Fotu 4; Bradley Brown 4; Kae Smith Bignowicz 4.

GAME INFO

Stadium: Greater Zion Stadium || Attendance: 2,794.

Kickoff: 7:05 p.m. (MT) || Total Elapsed Time: 3:25

Referee: Referee: Marcus Thorton; Umpire: Scott Johnson; Linesman: Jeremy Jolles; Line judge: Keith Laurant; Back judge: Joe Wise; Field judge: Tom Drzazgowski; Side judge: Patrick Herron; Temperature: 57 || Wind: S 15 || Weather: Clear, Crisp.

BEAR NOTES

- Jason Shelley eclipses 3,000 season passing yards and records 11th straight 200-yard game (251).
- Kevon Latulas 8 carries, 162 yards, 2 TD, MVFC New-comer of Week. 68-yard TD run from scrimmage.
- Ty Scott 8 receptions for 174 yards, breaks MSU single-season receiving record and eclipses 1,000 yds.
- Jose Pizano 2/2 FG (39, 25), 7/7 PAT, 13 points, MVFC Special Teams Player of the Week
- Bears season-high 574 total yards; 8th win.

Until 2000, Utah Tech was a two-year junior college named Dixie College, later becoming Dixie State University.

In 2021, after controversy over the use of the term "Dixie" in the school's name, the state legislature approved a bill that allowed the school to become Utah Tech University.

START CHART*(CURRENT PLAYERS ONLY)*

Position	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Offensive Linemen						
Erick Cade (1)	--	--	--	--	1	1
Tevita Fuimaono	--	--	--	9	--	9
Grant Goodson	--	2	--	--	1	3
Mark Hutchinson (1)	--	--	--	--	1	1
Danielson Ike (2)	--	--	--	--	2	2
Hutson Lillibridge (2)	--	--	--	--	2	2
Cristian Loaiza (2)	--	--	--	--	2	2
Gilles Tchio	--	--	--	1	1	2
Tight Ends						
Gary Clinton (1)	--	--	--	--	1	1
Lance Mason (1)	--	--	--	9	1	10
Stetson Moore	--	--	--	1	1	2
Wide Receivers						
D'Vontae Key (2)	--	--	--	1	2	3
Terique Owens	--	--	1	4	--	5
Raylen Sharpe	--	--	--	3	1	4
Hunter Wood (2)	--	--	--	1	2	3
Running Backs						
Celdon Manning	--	3	--	2	1	6
Trae Thompson	--	--	--	2	--	2
Jacardia Wright (1)	--	--	--	7	1	8
Quarterbacks						
Jacob Clark (2)	--	--	--	--	2	2
Defensive Linemen						
Devin Goree	--	--	--	10	--	10
Darion Smith (2)	--	--	--	--	2	2
Sterling Smithson (2)	--	--	--	1	2	3
Armon Wallace (2)	--	--	--	--	2	2
Jalen Williams (2)	--	--	4	--	2	6
Linebackers						
Tahj Chambers (1)	--	1	--	8	1	10
Jared Lloyd (2)	--	--	--	--	1	2
Von Young (13)	--	--	--	11	1	13
Defensive Backs						
Kaunor Ashley	--	2	--	--	--	2
Caleb Blake	--	--	--	5	--	5
PJ Hall (2)	--	--	--	3	2	5
Lemondre Joe	--	--	9	1	--	10
Todric McGee (4)	--	--	--	3	2	5
Jamal McMurrin	--	--	--	--	2	1
Avery Powell (2)	--	--	--	--	2	2
Dylan Simmons (2)	--	--	--	--	2	2

*(Consecutive starts in parentheses)***2023 STARTERS BY GAME**

OFFENSE	LT	LG	OC	RG	RT	TE	QB	SWR/TE	XWR	ZWR	TB
at KU	Ike	Loaiza	Lillibridge	Tchio	Goodson	Moore	Clark	Sharpe	Key	Wood	Manning
at UTM	Ike	Loaiza	Lillibridge	Cade	Hutchinson	Mason	Clark	Clinton (TE)	Key	Wood	Wright
Utah Tech
at SIU
NDSU
at WIU
Murray St.
at YSU
ILST
UNI
at SDSU
DEFENSE	DE	DT	DT	DE	LB	LB	LB/NB	CB	S	S	CB/NB
at KU	D.Smith	Smithson	Wallace	J.Williams	Young	Lloyd	Simmons (NB)	Powell	Hall	McGee	McMurrin
at UTM	D.Smith	Smithson	Wallace	J.Williams	Young	Lloyd	Chambers	Powell	Hall	McGee	Simmons
Utah Tech
at SIU
NDSU
at WIU
Murray St.
at YSU
ILST
UNI
at SDSU

2023 MSU & OPPONENT OPENING DRIVES

Opponent	MSU First Half	MSU Second Half	Opp. First Half	Opp. Second Half
at KU	3-(-6)-2:00 | Punt	3-9-2:06 | Punt	4-70-1:49 | Touchdown	9-69-4:22 | Touchdown
at UTM	6-75-2:23 | Touchdown	12-50-4:35 | Missed FG	1-81-0:11 | Touchdown	4-15-1:22 | Punt
Utah Tech
at SIU
NDSU
at WIU
Murray St.
at YSU
ILST
UNI
at SDSU

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

Category	Last Time By Missouri State	Last Time Against Missouri State
Shutout victory	vs. Southwestern (57-0), 9/1/16	vs. North Dakota State (25-0), 3/6/21
Overtime win	at Western Illinois (37-21, 3 OT), 10/5/19	vs. South Dakota State (43-36, OT), 10/29/11
50-point scoring game	vs. Western Illinois (64), 10/29/22	vs. Indiana State (51), 11/23/19
Victory, 30 pts. or more	vs. Western Illinois (64-14), 10/29/22	at North Dakota (44), 4/24/21
500 yards, total offense	at UT Martin (513), 9/9/23	at UT Martin (512), 9/9/23
25 or more first downs	at UT Martin (26), 9/9/23	at UT Martin (24), 9/9/23
3 TD's, player	Ty Scott (3) vs. UT Martin, 9/8/22	Sam Franklin (3) at UT Martin, 9/9/23
4 or more TD's, player	Celdon Manning (4) vs. Southern Illinois, 3/27/21	Dom Williams (4), at Northern Iowa, 10/22/22
5 or more TD's, player	Gerald Davis (5) vs. Indiana St., 10/27/07	Dominique Dafney (5) vs. Indiana St., 11/23/19
3 TD passes, player	Jacob Clark (3) at UT Martin, 9/9/23	Winn Dresser (3) vs. UT Martin, 9/8/22
4 TD passes, player	Jason Shelley (4), at Youngstown State, 11/9/21	Mark Gronowski (4) vs. S.Dakota St., 9/24/22
5 or more TD passes, player	Jason Shelley (5) vs. UT Martin (9/8/22)	Easton Stick (5) vs. North Dakota St., 11/10/18
300 yds. passing, player	Jacob Clark (332) at UT Martin, 9/9/23	Mark Gronowski (319) vs. SDakotaSt., 9/24/22
150-199 yds. rushing, player	Kevon Latulas (162) at Dixie State, 11/20/21	Otis Weah, vs. North Dakota (156), 10/30/21
200 yds. rushing, player	Vernon Scott (201) at Murray State, 9/14/13	Sam Franklin (259), at UT Martin, 9/9/23
200 yds. rec., player	Jermaine Saffold (207) vs. Illinois State, 10/8/11	Marcus Harris (213) vs. Murray State, 10/9/10
60+ yard punt	Grant Burkett (64), at Arkansas, 9/17/21	Jack Colquhoun (66) at Southern Ill., 11/6/21
Conversion kick missed	Khaled Alasad, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22	Eddie Ogamba at South Dakota, 11/5/22
Two-pt. conversion attempt	Jason Shelley pass to Latulas vs. YSU, 11/12/22	M.Davidson pass (failed) vs. YSU, 11/12/22
3 or more field goals, player	Jose Pizano (3), vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22	Colt McFadden (3) vs. Youngstown, 11/12/22
50+ yard field goal	Jose Pizano (51) at Southern Illinois, 11/6/21	Nico Gualdoni (55) at Southern Illinois, 11/6/21
Kickoff returned for TD	Montrae Braswell (98), at Central Ark., 9/1/22	Wesley Elador (99), vs. South Dakota, 9/25/21
Punt returned for TD	Deion Holliman (63) vs. South Dak. St., 10/21/17	Bryce Stephens (82), at Arkansas, 9/17/22
Interception returned for TD	Lemondre Joe (38), at Dixie State, 11/20/21	Devyn Perkins (95), at Dixie State, 11/20/21
Fumble returned for TD	Darius Joseph (27) vs. Lincoln, 9/6/18	Greg Benton, Jr., (74) at Western Ill., 2/27/21
Blocked punt returned for TD	Kevon Latulas (16) at Central Arkansas, 9/26/20	Hayden Reynolds (15), at UND, 4/24/21
20 or more tackles	Dylan Cole (23) vs. Northern Iowa, 11/14/15	Kyle Glazier (25) vs. Western Illinois, 10/23/10
2 or more Interceptions, player	Jared Beshore (2) at South Dakota State, 11/3/18	Cameron Godfrey (2) vs. Cent. Ark., 10/17/20
Safety	Team, vs. Southwestern State, 9/1/16	Team, vs. Southern Illinois, 3/27/21

2023 Scoring Plays / Chunk Plays

CHUNK PLAYS

25-Yard Plays

Rushing (1) **Result of Play**
26, Jacardia Wright, at Kansas (9/1/23) First Down

Passing (5) **Result of Play**
40, Jacob Clark to Lance Mason at UTM (9/8/23) First Down
33, Jacob Clark to Raylen Sharpe at UTM (9/8/23) Touchdown
29, Jordan Pachot to Raylen Sharpe at UTM (9/8/23) .. First Down
28, Jacob Clark to Hunter Wood at UTM (9/8/23) First Down
27, Jacob Clark to Jacardia Wright at KU (9/1/23) First Down

Kickoff Returns (0) **Result of Play**
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Punt Returns (0) **Result of Play**
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Interception Returns (0) **Result of Play**
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SCORING PLAYS

at Kansas (9/1/23) **Plays-Yds-Time**
1Q (2:24) J'mariyae Robinson 2 pass from J.Clark 10-46-5:37
2Q (12:11) Owen Rozanc 37 yd FG 7-53-3:10
4Q (14:57) J'mariyae Robinson 5 yd rush 6-75-3:21

at UT Martin (9/8/23) **Plays-Yds-Time**
1Q (12:20) Raylen Sharpe 33 yd pass from J.Clark 6-75-2:23
3Q (5:29) D'Vontae Key 24 yd. pass from J. Clark 10-82-3:30
4Q (14:15) Owen Rozanc 38 yd FG 10-49-4:48
4Q (9:39) J'mariyae Robinson 10 pass from J.Clark 6-71-3:03
4Q (5:21) Jacardia Wright 4 yd rush 11-75-3:43

SCORING DRIVE SUPERLATIVES

Longest Scoring Drives (Plays)

11, Jacardia Wright 4 yd rush at UT Martin (9/8/23)
10, J'mariyae Robinson 2 pass from Jacob Clark at Kansas (9/1/23)
10, D'Vontae Key 24 yd. pass from Jacob Clark at UTM (9/8/23)
10, Owen Rozanc 38-yd. FG at UT Martin (9/8/23)
7, Owen Rozanc 37 yd. FG at Kansas (9/1/23)

Longest Scoring Drives (Yards)

82, D'Vontae Key 24 yd. pass from Jacob Clark at UTM (9/8/23)
75, J'mariyae Robinson 5 yd. rush at Kansas (9/1/23)
75, Jacardia Wright 4 yd rush at UT Martin (9/8/23)
75, Raylen Sharpe 33 yd. pass from Jacob Clark at UTM (9/8/23)
71, J'mariyae Robinson 10 yd. pass from J. Clark at UTM (9/8/23)

Longest Scoring Drives (Time)

5:37, J'mariyae Robinson 2 pass from Jacob Clark at Kansas (9/1/23)
4:48, Owen Rozanc 38-yd. FG at UT Martin (9/8/23)
3:43, Jacardia Wright 4 yd rush at UT Martin (9/8/23)
3:30, D'Vontae Key 24 yd. pass from Jacob Clark at UTM (9/8/23)
3:21, J'mariyae Robinson 5 yd. rush at Kansas (9/1/23)
3:10, Owen Rozanc 37 yd. FG at Kansas (9/1/23)

Shortest Scoring Drives (Plays)

6, J'mariyae Robinson 5 yd. rush at Kansas (9/1/23)
6, Raylen Sharpe 33 yd. pass from Jacob Clark at UTM (9/8/23)
6, J'mariyae Robinson 10 yd. pass from J. Clark at UTM (9/8/23)
7, Owen Rozanc 37 yd. FG at Kansas (9/1/23)

Shortest Scoring Drives (Yards)

46, J'mariyae Robinson 2 pass from Jacob Clark at Kansas (9/1/23)
49, Owen Rozanc 38-yd. FG at UT Martin (9/8/23)
53, Owen Rozanc 37 yd. FG at Kansas (9/1/23)

Shortest Scoring Drives (Time)

2:23, Raylen Sharpe 33 yd. pass from Jacob Clark at UTM (9/8/23)
3:03, J'mariyae Robinson 10 yd. pass from J. Clark at UTM (9/8/23)
3:10, Owen Rozanc 37 yd. FG at Kansas (9/1/23)
3:21, J'mariyae Robinson 5 yd. rush at Kansas (9/1/23)
3:30, D'Vontae Key 24 yd. pass from Jacob Clark at UTM (9/8/23)
3:43, Jacardia Wright 4 yd rush at UT Martin (9/8/23)

BEARS RECORD WHEN ...

Overall 0-2
MVFC 0-0
Nonconference 0-2
vs. Big XII 0-1
vs. Ohio Valley 0-1
Home 0-0
Away 0-0

Day Games 0-0
Night Games 0-2

vs. Top 25 teams 0-0
vs. Top 10 teams 0-0

When scoring first 0-0
When opponents score first 0-2

When leading at halftime 0-0
When trailing at halftime 0-2
When tied at halftime 0-0

When leading after third quarter 0-0
When trailing after third quarter 0-2
When tied after third quarter 0-0

In overtime games 0-0

When scoring less than 20 points 0-1
When scoring 20-29 points 0-0
When scoring 30+ points 0-1

When allowing less than 20 points 0-0
When allowing 20-29 points 0-0
When allowing 30+ points 0-2

When rushing for <100 yards 0-1
When rushing for 100-199 yards 0-1
When rushing for 200+ yards 0-0

When passing for <200 yards 0-1
When passing for 200-249 yards 0-0
When passing for 250-299 yards 0-0
When passing for 300+ yards 0-1

When totaling <300 yds total offense 0-0
When gaining 300-399 yds total offense 0-0
When gaining 400-499 yds total offense 0-0
When gaining 500+ yds total offense 0-2

When allowing <100 yds rushing 0-0
When allowing 100-199 yds rushing 0-0
When allowing 200+ yds rushing 0-2

When allowing <200 yds passing 0-1
When allowing 200-249 yards passing 0-0
When allowing 250-299 yards passing 0-1
When allowing 300+ yards passing 0-0

When allowing <300 yds total offense 0-0
When allowing 300+ yds total offense 0-2

When having a 100-yard rusher 0-0
When opp. have a 100-yard rusher 0-1

When having no turnovers 0-1
When having less than 3 turnover 0-1
When having 3 or more turnovers 0-0

When having no takeaways 0-1
When having <3 takeaways 0-1
When having 3 or more takeaways 0-0

When having more than 30:00 TOP 0-1
When having less than 30:00 TOP 0-1

White Jerseys, White Pants 0-1
White Jerseys, Maroon Pants 0-1
Maroon Jerseys, White Pants 0-0
Maroon Jerseys, Maroon Pants 0-0

When Wining the Coin Toss 0-1
When Losing the Coin Toss 0-1

2023 Team Overall Statistics (0-2)

Date	Opponent	Attendance	Result
Sept. 1	at (RV) Kansas (ESPN+ (N))	41,091	L 17-48
Sept. 9	at (RV) UT Martin (ESPN+ (N))	6,104	L 31-38
Sept. 23	Utah Tech (ESPN+)		
Sept. 30	at Southern Illinois (ESPN+)		
Oct. 7	North Dakota St. (ESPN+)		
Oct. 14	at Western Illinois (ESPN+)		
Oct. 21	Murray State (ESPN+) (HC)		
Oct. 28	at Youngstown St. (ESPN+)		
Nov. 4	Illinois State (ESPN+)		
Nov. 11	Northern Iowa (ESPN+)		
Nov. 18	at South Dakota St. (ESPN+)		

*Missouri Valley Football Conference game; (N) night games; National rankings and TV info. in parentheses

INTERCEPTIONS			No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg.			
none										
Total			0	0	0.0	0	0			
Opponents			3	17	5.7	0	9			
DEFENSE	G	UT	AT	TT	TFL-Yd	Sks-Yd	PBU	QBH	FR-Yd	FF
Todric McGee	2	18	9	27	.	.	3	1	1-0	.
Avery Powell	2	9	2	11	.	.	2	.	.	.
Tahj Chambers	2	6	4	10	.	.	.	.	.	.
Jared Lloyd	2	6	3	9	2-7	.	.	1	.	1
Von Young	2	6	3	9	2-20	1-13	1	.	.	.
Armon Wallace	2	4	4	8	.	.	.	3	.	.
P.J. Hall	2	6	1	7	.	.	.	.	.	.
Darion Smith	2	4	3	7	1-5	1-5	.	2	.	.
Jalen Williams	2	3	3	6	.	.	.	1	.	.
Devin Goree	2	1	4	5	1-2	.	.	1	.	.
Jamal McMurrin	2	4	1	5	.	.	2	.	.	.
Caleb Blake	2	.	4	4	.	.	.	1	.	.
Mitchell Toney	2	1	3	4	.	.	.	1	.	.
Dylan Simmons	2	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.
Steven Ward	2	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.
Lemondre Joe	1	.	2	2	.	.	1	.	.	.
Raylen Sharpe	2	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.
Sterling Smithson	2	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.
Donovan Clark	2	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.
Hutson Lillibridge	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.
Tim Brantley	2	.	1	1	.	.	.	1	.	.
Alama Collins	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.
J.J. O'Neal	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.
Spencer Grosz	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.
Totals	2	82	50	132	6-34	2-18	9	12	1-0	1
Opponents	2	69	62	131	20-45	2-7	12	8	1-0	2

Blocked Kicks -- MSU (0); Opponents 0.

Safeties -- MSU (0); Opponents 0.

TEAM STATISTICS	MSU	Opp.				
SCORING	48	86				
Points per game	24.0	43.0				
Points Off Turnovers	7	14				
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	6	11				
Field goals - attempts	2-3	3-4				
PAT-ATTEMPTS	6-6	11-11				
PAT Percentage	100%	100%				
Two-Point Conversions	0-0	0-0				
Safeties Scored	0	0				
Defensive PATs	0	0				
FIRST DOWNS	36	51				
Rushing	7	29				
Passing	27	20				
Penalty	2	2				
RUSHING YARDAGE	181	650				
Yards gained rushing	225	685				
Yards lost rushing	44	35				
Rushing attempts	63	79				
Average per rush	2.9	8.2				
Average per game	90.5	325.0				
TDs Rushing	2	7				
PASSING YARDAGE	545	383				
Comp-Att-Int	41-69-3	36-61-0				
Average per pass	7.9	6.3				
Average per catch	13.3	10.6				
Average per game	272.5	191.5				
TDs Passing	4	4				
TOTAL OFFENSE	726	1033				
Total plays	132	140				
Average per play	5.5	7.4				
Average per game	363.0	516.5				
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	4-63	5-102				
Kick return average	15.8	20.4				
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	3-15	2-4				
Punt return average	5.0	2.0				
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	0-0	3-17				
Int return average	0.0	5.7				
FUMBLES-LOST	2-1	1-1				
PENALTIES-Yards	8-70	8-70				
Average per game	35.0	35.0				
PUNTS-Yards	10-420	4-178				
Average per punt	42.0	44.5				
Net punt average	42.6	40.8				
KICKOFFS-Yards	10-590	16-1030				
Average per kick	59.0	64.4				
Net kick average	39.2	41.7				
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	28:45	30:04				
3RD-DOWN Conversions	11/30	13/25				
3rd-down pct	37%	52%				
4TH-DOWN Conversions	4/4	1/3				
4rd-down pct	100%	33%				
SACKS BY-Yards	2-18	2-7				
MISC YARDS	0	0				
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	0-0				
RED-ZONE SUMMARY	6-6	10-10				
Red-Zone Scoring Percentage	100%	100%				
Red-Zone Touchdowns	4-6	7-10				
Red-Zone Touchdown Percentage	66.7%	70.0%				
Red-Zone Field Goals-Attempts	2-2	3-3				
Red-Zone Turnovers-Downs-End Half	0-0-0	0-0-0				
ATTENDANCE (total 47,195)	---	47,195				
Games/Avg Per Game	---	2/23,598				
SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Missouri State	14	3	7	24	0	48
Opponents	24	17	10	35	0	86

2023 Individual Statistics

RUSHING	G	TC	Gain	Lost	Net	Avg.	TD	Lg.	YPG
Jacob Clark	2	17	77	7	70	4.1	0	17	35.0
Jacardia Wright	2	33	97	28	69	2.1	1	26	34.5
Celdon Manning	2	3	21	0	21	7.0	0	14	10.5
Raylen Sharpe	2	1	8	0	8	8.0	0	8	4.0
Jakairi Moses	2	3	6	0	6	2.0	0	4	3.0
Jmariyae Robinson	2	1	5	0	5	5.0	1	5	2.5
Jordan Pachot	1	1	5	0	5	5.0	0	5	5.0
Jayden Becks	2	4	6	9	-3	-0.8	0	3	-1.5
Total	2	63	225	44	181	2.9	2	26	90.5
Opponents	2	79	685	35	650	8.2	7	81	325.0

PASSING	G	Effic.	Cmp-Att-Int.	Pct.	Yds.	TD	Lg.	YPG
Jacob Clark	2	136.7	37-63-2	58.7	475	4	40	237.5
Jordan Pachot	1	131.3	4-6-1	66.7	70	0	29	70.0
Total	2	136.2	41-69-3	59.4	545	4	40	272.5
Opponents	2	133.4	36-61-0	59.0	383	4	52	191.5

RECEIVING	G	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg.	YPG
Raylen Sharpe	2	12	163	13.6	1	33	81.5
Hunter Wood	2	8	89	11.1	0	28	44.5
Jmariyae Robinson	2	5	56	11.2	2	18	28.0
Celdon Manning	2	4	55	13.8	0	23	27.5
D'Vontae Key	2	4	55	13.8	1	24	27.5
Jacardia Wright	2	3	47	15.7	0	27	23.5
Terique Owens	2	3	34	11.3	0	20	17.0
Lance Mason	2	2	46	23.0	0	40	23.0

[----- PAT -----]									
SCORING	TD	FG	Kick	Rush	Rec	Pass	DXP	Sfty	Pts
Jmariyae Robinson	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Owen Rozanc	-	2-2	6-6	-	-	-	-	-	12
Jacardia Wright	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
D'Vontae Key	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Raylen Sharpe	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	6	2-3	6-6	0	0	0	0	0	48
Opponents	11	3-4	11-11	0	0	0	0	0	86

Field Goal sequence (made field goals are underlined):

Rozanc (37-48-38) 2/3 (.667)

Opp.: (28-35-46-29) 3/4 (.750)

KICKOFFS	No.	Yds	Avg	TB	OB	Ret.	Net	YLn
Spencer Grosz	10	590	59.0	2	0	--	--	--
Total	10	590	59.0	2	0	5	39.2	25
Opponents	16	1030	64.4	12	0	4	41.7	23

PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	50+	Blk
Grant Burkett	10	420	42.0	55	0	6	2	2	0
Total	10	420	42.0	55	0	6	2	2	0
Opponents	4	178	44.5	48	0	0	2	0	0

KICKOFF RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg.
D'Vontae Key	4	63	15.8	0	18
Total	4	63	15.8	0	18
Opponents	5	102	20.4	0	34

PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg.
Raylen Sharpe	3	15	5.0	0	7
Total	3	15	5.0	0	7
Opponents	2	4	2.0	0	4

ALL-PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	YPG
JRaylen Sharpe	2	8	163	15	0	0	186	93.0
D'Vontae Key	2	0	55	0	63	0	118	59.0
Jacardia Wright	2	69	47	0	0	0	116	58.0
Hunter Wood	2	0	89	0	0	0	89	44.5
Celdon Manning	2	21	55	0	0	0	76	38.0
Jacob Clark	2	70	0	0	0	0	70	35.0
Jmariyae Robinson	2	5	56	0	0	0	61	30.5
Lance Mason	2	0	46	0	0	0	46	23.0
Terique Owens	2	0	34	0	0	0	34	17.0
Jakairi Moses	2	6	0	0	0	0	6	3.0
Jordan Pachot	1	5	0	0	0	0	5	5.0
Jayden Becks	2	-3	0	0	0	0	-3	-1.5
Total	2	181	545	15	63	0	804	402.0
Opponents	2	650	383	4	102	17	1156	578.0

TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	YPG
Jacob Clark	2	80	70	475	545	272.5
Jordan Pachot	1	7	5	70	75	75.0
Jacardia Wright	2	33	69	0	69	34.5
Celdon Manning	2	3	21	0	21	10.5
Raylen Sharpe	2	1	8	0	8	4.0
Jakairi Moses	2	3	6	0	6	3.0
Jmariyae Robinson	2	1	5	0	5	2.5
Jayden Becks	2	4	-3	0	-3	-1.5
Total	2	132	181	545	726	363.0
Opponents	2	140	650	383	1033	516.5

2023 Team & Individual Superlatives

MSU Individual Game Highs

RUSHES	18	Jacardia Wright at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
YARDS RUSHING	46	Jacardia Wright at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
TD RUSHES	1	done 3 times
LONG RUSH	26	Jacardia Wright at Kansas, 09/01/2023
PASS ATTEMPTS	42	Jacob Clark at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
PASS COMPLETIONS	23	Jacob Clark at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
YARDS PASSING	332	Jacob Clark at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
TD PASSES	3	Jacob Clark at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
LONG PASS	40	Jacob Clark at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
RECEPTIONS	7	Hunter Wood at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
		Raylen Sharpe at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
YARDS RECEIVING	142	Raylen Sharpe at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
TD RECEPTIONS	1	done 4 times
LONG RECEPTION	40	Lance Mason at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
PUNTS	6	Grant Burkett at Kansas, 09/01/2023
PUNTING AVG	45.5	Grant Burkett at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
LONG PUNT	55	Grant Burkett at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
PUNTS INSIDE 20	1	Grant Burkett at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
		Grant Burkett at Kansas, 09/01/2023
LONG PUNT RETURN	7	Raylen Sharpe at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
LONG KICKOFF RETURN	18	D'Vontae Key at Kansas, 09/01/2023
TACKLES	15	Todric McGee at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
SACKS	1	Von Young at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
		Darion Smith at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
TACKLES FOR LOSS	2	Jared Lloyd at Kansas, 09/01/2023

MSU Team Game Highs

RUSHES	36	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
YARDS RUSHING	107	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
YARDS PER RUSH	3.0	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
TD RUSHES	1	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
		at Kansas, 09/01/2023
PASS ATTEMPTS	48	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
PASS COMPLETIONS	27	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
YARDS PASSING	402	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
YARDS PER PASS	8.4	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
TD PASSES	3	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
TOTAL PLAYS	84	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
TOTAL OFFENSE	509	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
YARDS PER PLAY	6.1	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
POINTS	31	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
SACKS BY	2	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
FIRST DOWNS	26	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
PENALTIES	6	at Kansas, 09/01/2023
PENALTY YARDS	50	at Kansas, 09/01/2023
TURNOVERS	2	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
		at Kansas, 09/01/2023
PUNTS	6	at Kansas, 09/01/2023
PUNTING AVG	45.5	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
LONG PUNT	55	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
PUNTS INSIDE 20	1	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
		at Kansas, 09/01/2023
LONG PUNT RETURN	7	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023

Opponent Individual Game Highs

RUSHES	20	Sam Franklin at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
YARDS RUSHING	259	Sam Franklin at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
TD RUSHES	3	Sam Franklin at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
LONG RUSH	81	Sam Franklin at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
PASS ATTEMPTS	33	Kinkead Dent at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
PASS COMPLETIONS	22	Jason Bean at Kansas, 09/01/2023
YARDS PASSING	276	Jason Bean at Kansas, 09/01/2023
TD PASSES	2	Kinkead Dent at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
		Jason Bean at Kansas, 09/01/2023
LONG PASS	52	Jason Bean at Kansas, 09/01/2023
RECEPTIONS	4	done 4 times
YARDS RECEIVING	77	Quentin Skinner at Kansas, 09/01/2023
		Lawrence Arnold at Kansas, 09/01/2023
TD RECEPTIONS	1	done 4 times
LONG RECEPTION	52	Lawrence Arnold at Kansas, 09/01/2023
FIELD GOALS	2	Seth Keller at Kansas, 09/01/2023
LONG FIELD GOALS	35	Seth Keller at Kansas, 09/01/2023
PUNTS	4	Aidan Laros at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
PUNTING AVG	44.5	Aidan Laros at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
LONG PUNT	48	Aidan Laros at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
PUNTS INSIDE 20	2	Aidan Laros at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
LONG PUNT RETURN	4	Oshae Baker at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
LONG KICKOFF RETURN	34	Trevor Wilson at Kansas, 09/01/2023
TACKLES	14	Carson Evans at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
SACKS	1	Jarid Johnson at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
		Jereme Robinson at Kansas, 09/01/2023
TACKLES FOR LOSS	2.5	Daylan Dotson at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
		Giovanni Davis at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
INTERCEPTIONS	1	JaMichael McGoy at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
		Cobee Bryant at Kansas, 09/01/2023
		Kwinton Lassiter at Kansas, 09/01/2023

Opponent Team Game Highs

RUSHES	41	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
YARDS RUSHING	405	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
YARDS PER RUSH	9.9	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
TD RUSHES	4	at Kansas, 09/01/2023
PASS ATTEMPTS	33	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
PASS COMPLETIONS	22	at Kansas, 09/01/2023
YARDS PASSING	276	at Kansas, 09/01/2023
YARDS PER PASS	9.9	at Kansas, 09/01/2023
TD PASSES	2	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
		at Kansas, 09/01/2023
TOTAL PLAYS	74	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
TOTAL OFFENSE	521	at Kansas, 09/01/2023
YARDS PER PLAY	7.9	at Kansas, 09/01/2023
POINTS	48	at Kansas, 09/01/2023
SACKS BY	1	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
		at Kansas, 09/01/2023
FIRST DOWNS	27	at Kansas, 09/01/2023
PENALTIES	5	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
PENALTY YARDS	35	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
		at Kansas, 09/01/2023
TURNOVERS	1	at Kansas, 09/01/2023
PUNTS	4	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
PUNTING AVG	44.5	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
LONG PUNT	48	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
PUNTS INSIDE 20	2	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023
LONG PUNT RETURN	4	at UT Martin, 09/09/2023

2023 Individual Game-by-Game

RUSHING	No-Yds/TD	@KU	@UTM	UtahTech	@SIU	NDSU	@WIU	MUR	@YSU	ILST	UNI	@SDSU
Jacardia Wright	33-69/1	15-23/0	18-46/1									
Jacob Clark	17-70/0	8-36/0	9-34/0									
Jayden Becks	4--3/0	1-3/0	3--6/0									
Celdon Manning	3-21/0	1-3/0	2-18/0									
Jakairi Moses	3-6/0	1-4/0	2-2/0									
Raylen Sharpe	1-8/0	-	1-8/0									
Jmariyae Robinson	1-5/1	1-5/1	-									
Jordan Pachot	1-5/0	DNP	1-5/0									

PASSING	Att-Cmp-Int	@KU	@UTM	UtahTech	@SIU	NDSU	@WIU	MUR	@YSU	ILST	UNI	@SDSU
Jacob Clark	63-37-2	21-14-2	42-23-0									
yds-TD	475-4	143-1	332-3									
Jordan Pachot	6-4-1	DNP	6-4-1									
yds-TD	70-0		70-0									

RECEIVING	No-Yds/TD	@KU	@UTM	UtahTech	@SIU	NDSU	@WIU	MUR	@YSU	ILST	UNI	@SDSU
Raylen Sharpe	12-163/1	5-21/0	7-142/1									
Hunter Wood	8-89/0	1-15/0	7-74/0									
Jmariyae Robinson	5-56/2	2-20/1	3-36/1									
Celdon Manning	4-55/0	2-31/0	2-24/0									
D'Vontae Key	4-55/1	2-23/0	2-32/1									
Jacardia Wright	3-47/0	1-27/0	2-20/0									
Terique Owens	3-34/0	-	3-34/0									
Lance Mason	2-46/0	1-6/0	1-40/0									

TACKLES	UA-A--Total	@KU	@UTM	UtahTech	@SIU	NDSU	@WIU	MUR	@YSU	ILST	UNI	@SDSU
Todric McGee	18-9--27	10-2	8-7									
Avery Powell	9-2--11	1-0	8-2									
Tahj Chambers	6-4--10	6-0	0-4									
Jared Lloyd	6-3--9	6-0	0-3									
Von Young	6-3--9	5-0	1-3									
Armon Wallace	4-4--8	2-0	2-4									
P.J. Hall	6-1--7	2-0	4-1									
Darion Smith	4-3--7	2-0	2-3									
Jalen Williams	3-3--6	2-0	1-3									
Jamal McMurrin	4-1--5	3-1	1-0									
Devin Goree	1-4--5	-	1-4									
Dylan Simmons	3-1--4	3-0	0-1									
Mitchell Toney	1-3--4	1-0	0-3									
Caleb Blake	0-4--4	-	0-4									
Steven Ward	3-0--3	3-0	0-0									
Raylen Sharpe	2-0--2	1-0	1-0									
Donovan Clark	1-1--2	1-0	0-1									
Sterling Smithson	1-1--2	1-0	0-1									
Lemondre Joe	0-2--2	DNP	0-2									
J.J. O'Neal	1-0--1	1-0	0-0									
Spencer Grosz	1-0--1	1-0	-									
Hutson Lillibridge	1-0--1	DNP	1-0									
Alama Collins	1-0--1	-	1-0									
Tim Brantley	0-1--1	0-1	-									

2023 Bears Team Game-by-Game

		Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot		
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp	att	int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	off
09/01/2023	at Kansas	27	74	1	26	14	143	1	27	14	21	2	143	1	27	1	18	0	18	0	0	0	0	217
09/09/2023	at UT Martin	36	107	1	22	27	402	3	40	27	48	1	402	3	40	3	45	0	16	3	15	0	7	509
Missouri St.		63	181	2	26	41	545	4	40	41	69	3	545	4	40	4	63	0	18	3	15	0	7	726
Opponents		79	650	7	81	36	383	4	52	36	61	0	383	4	52	5	102	0	34	2	4	0	4	1033

Missouri St. Averages

Games	Avg/ rush	Avg/ catch	Pass effic	KR avg	PR avg	All purpose avg/game	Total offense avg/game
2	2.9	13.3	136.2	15.8	5.0	402.0	363.0

		Tackles				Sacks	Fumble		Pass Defense			blkd	PAT attempts			off		
Date	Opponent	ua	a	total	tfl-yds	no-yds	ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
09/01/2023	at Kansas	51	4	55	3.0-14	0-0	1	1-0	0-0	0	3	0	2-2	0	0	0	7	17
09/09/2023	at UT Martin	31	46	77	3.0-20	2-18	0	0-0	0-0	12	6	0	4-4	0	0	0	0	31
Missouri St.		82	50	132	6.0-34	2-18	1	1-0	0-0	12	9	0	6-6	0	0	0	7	48
Opponents		69	62	131	20.0-45	2-7	2	1-0	3-17	8	12	0	11-11	0	0	0	14	86

Date	Opponent	Punting										Field Goals			Kickoffs			
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
09/01/2023	at Kansas	6	238	39.7	51	0	0	4	1	1	1-1	37	0	4	231	57.8	1	0
09/09/2023	at UT Martin	4	182	45.5	55	0	0	2	1	1	1-2	38	0	6	359	59.8	1	0
Missouri St.		10	420	42.0	55	0	0	6	2	2	2-3	38	0	10	590	59.0	2	0
Opponents		4	178	44.5	48	0	0	0	0	2	3-4	35	0	16	1030	64.4	12	0

2023 Opponents Team Game-by-Game

		Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot		
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp	att	int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	off
09/01/2023	at Kansas	38	245	4	48	22	276	2	52	22	28	0	276	2	52	2	61	0	34	0	0	0	0	521
09/09/2023	at UT Martin	41	405	3	81	14	107	2	14	14	33	0	107	2	14	3	41	0	21	2	4	0	4	512
Opponents		79	650	7	81	36	383	4	52	36	61	0	383	4	52	5	102	0	34	2	4	0	4	1033
Missouri St.		63	181	2	26	41	545	4	40	41	69	3	545	4	40	4	63	0	18	3	15	0	7	726

Opponents Averages

Games	Avg/ rush	Avg/ catch	Pass effic	KR avg	PR avg	All purpose avg/game	Total offense avg/game
2	8.2	10.6	133.4	20.4	2.0	578.0	516.5

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks no-yds	Fumble ff fr-yds		Pass Defense int-yds qbh brup			blkd kick	PAT attempts kick rush rcv			off saf t/o pts		
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds													
09/01/2023	at Kansas	29	16	45	9.0-23	1-5	1	0-0	2-12	2	2	0	6-6	0	0	0	14	48
09/09/2023	at UT Martin	40	46	86	11.0-22	1-2	1	1-0	1-5	6	10	0	5-5	0	0	0	0	38
Opponents		69	62	131	20.0-45	2-7	2	1-0	3-17	8	12	0	11-11	0	0	0	14	86
Missouri St.		82	50	132	6.0-34	2-18	1	1-0	0-0	12	9	0	6-6	0	0	0	7	48

Date	Opponent	Punting										Field Goals			Kickoffs			
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
09/01/2023	at Kansas	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2-2	35	0	9	585	65.0	8	0
09/09/2023	at UT Martin	4	178	44.5	48	0	0	0	0	2	1-2	29	0	7	445	63.6	4	0
Opponents		4	178	44.5	48	0	0	0	0	2	3-4	35	0	16	1030	64.4	12	0
Missouri St.		10	420	42.0	55	0	0	6	2	2	2-3	38	0	10	590	59.0	2	0

2023 Team by Quarter Stats

3rd-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent		Score	Overall		1st Qtr		2nd Qtr		3rd Qtr		4th Qtr		Overtime	
09/01/2023	at Kansas	L	17-48	1-9	11.1	0-3	0.0	1-4	25.0	0-1	0.0	0-1	0.0	0-0	0.0
09/09/2023	at UT Martin	L	31-38	10-21	47.6	1-4	25.0	1-4	25.0	3-6	50.0	5-7	71.4	0-0	0.0
Missouri St.				11-30	36.7	1-7	14.3	2-8	25.0	3-7	42.9	5-8	62.5	0-0	0.0
Opponents				13-25	52.0	3-7	42.9	5-8	62.5	3-6	50.0	2-4	50.0	0-0	0.0

4th-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent		Score	Overall		1st Qtr		2nd Qtr		3rd Qtr		4th Qtr		Overtime	
09/01/2023	at Kansas	L	17-48	1-1	100.0	1-1	100.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0
09/09/2023	at UT Martin	L	31-38	3-3	100.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	2-2	100.0	1-1	100.0	0-0	0.0
Missouri St.				4-4	100.0	1-1	100.0	0-0	0.0	2-2	100.0	1-1	100.0	0-0	0.0
Opponents				1-3	33.3	0-1	0.0	0-1	0.0	0-0	0.0	1-1	100.0	0-0	0.0

Time of Possession

Date	Opponent		Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
09/01/2023	at Kansas	L	17-48	26:13	09:26	08:59	02:04	05:44	00:00
09/09/2023	at UT Martin	L	31-38	31:17	03:45	06:04	08:09	13:19	00:00
Missouri St.				Total	13:11	15:03	10:13	19:03	00:00
				Avg.	06:36	07:32	05:07	09:32	00:00
Opponents				Total	12:47	16:36	12:26	18:18	00:00
				Avg.	06:24	08:18	06:13	09:09	00:00

2023 Team Red Zone Statistics

Missouri St. Inside Opponent Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times	Times	Total	TDs	Rush	Pass	FGs	Failed to score inside RZ					
			In RZ	Scored	Pts		TDs	TDs	Made	FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
09/01/2023	at Kansas	L 17-48	3	3	17	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
09/09/2023	at UT Martin	L 31-38	3	3	17	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals 6 of 6 (100.0%)			6	6	34	4	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0

Opponents Inside Missouri St. Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times	Times	Total	TDs	Rush	Pass	FGs	Failed to score inside RZ					
			In RZ	Scored	Pts		TDs	TDs	Made	FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
09/01/2023	Kansas	L 17-48	6	6	34	4	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
09/09/2023	UT Martin	L 31-38	4	4	24	3	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals 10 of 10 (100.0%)			10	10	58	7	3	4	3	3	0	0	0	0	0

Player Career Highs

#0 - KAUNOR ASHLEY - DB

Total Tackles 4, at Oklahoma, 9/12/20
Solo Tackles 2, done 3 times,
..... last vs. Central Arkansas, 10/17/20
Tackles for Loss 1.0, at Central Arkansas, 9/26/20
Sacks 0
Interceptions 0
Passes Defended 1, vs. Central Arkansas, 10/17/20
..... 1, at Utah Tech, 11/20/21

#5 - JAYDEN BECKS - RB

Total Carries 3, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Rushing Yards 3, at Kansas, 9/1/23
Rushing Touchdowns 0
Long Rush 3, at Kansas, 9/1/23
..... 3, at UT Martin, 9/9/23

#25 - CALEB BLAKE - DB

Total Tackles 6, at Central Arkansas, 9/1/22
Solo Tackles 5, vs. UT Martin, 9/8/22
Tackles for Loss 1.0, at Central Arkansas, 9/1/22
..... 1.0, vs. South Dakota St., 9/24/22
Sacks 1.0, at Central Arkansas, 9/1/22
Interceptions 0
Passes Defended 1, done 3 times,
..... last vs. Youngstown State, 11/12/22
at Florida State

#27 - JAHIEL BLUE-SMITH - DB

Total Tackles 1, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22
Solo Tackles 1, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22

#45 - CADEN BOLZ - LS

Total Tackles 2, at Central Arkansas, 9/26/20
Solo Tackles 1, at North Dakota, 10/1/22

#91 - TIM BRANTLEY JR. - DL

Total Tackles 1, at Kansas, 9/1/23
Solo Tackles 0

#31 - GRANT BURKETT - P

Punts 9, at Oklahoma, 9/12/20
Punt Average 53.5, vs. Central Arkansas, 9/11/21 (4 att.)
Long Punt 75, vs. Central Arkansas, 10/17/20
Inside 20 3, done 6 times, last vs. S. Dakota St., 9/24/22
Total Tackles 1, at Oklahoma, 9/12/20

#26 - TAHJ CHAMBERS - LB

Total Tackles 6, at UNI, 10/22/22
..... 6, at Kansas, 9/1/23
Solo Tackles 6, at Kansas, 9/1/23
Tackles for Loss 1.5, at Arkansas, 9/17/22
Sacks 1.0, at South Dakota, 3/13/21
..... 1.0, at Indiana State, 11/19/22
Interceptions 1, at Central Arkansas, 9/1/22
..... 1, at Arkansas, 9/17/22

#6 - DONOVAN CLARK - DB

Total Tackles 2, at Illinois State, 10/2/21
Solo Tackles 1, at Illinois State, 10/2/21
..... 1, at Kansas, 9/1/23
Tackles for Loss 0
Sacks 0
Interceptions 0
Passes Defended 0

#12 - JACOB CLARK - QB

Completions 23, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Attempts 42, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Passing Yards 332, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Touchdown Passes 3, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Long Pass 40, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Interceptions 2, at Kansas, 9/1/23
Total Carries 9, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Rushing Yards 38, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Rushing Touchdowns 0
Long Rush 17, at Kansas, 9/1/23

#87 - GARY CLINTON - TE

Receptions 1, at Oklahoma State, 9/4/21
..... 1, vs. Indiana State, 10/16/21
Receiving Yards 21, vs. Indiana State, 10/16/21
Receiving Touchdowns 0
Long Reception 21, vs. Indiana State, 10/16/21

#93 - ALAMA COLLINS - DL

Total Tackles 1, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Solo Tackles 1, at UT Martin, 9/9/23

#43 - CALEB DIETLIN - DL

Total Tackles 4, vs. Youngstown State, 11/12/22
Solo Tackles 3, vs. Youngstown State, 11/12/22
Tackles for Loss 1.0, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22
..... 1.0, vs. Youngstown State, 11/12/22
Sacks 0

#9 - DYLAN DIXSON - S

Total Tackles 2, at Air Force, 9/10/22#
Solo Tackles 1, at Air Force, 9/10/22#
Tackles for Loss 0
Sacks 0
Interceptions 0
at Colorado

#8 - DEVIN GOREE - DL

Total Tackles 6, at Central Arkansas, 9/1/22
Solo Tackles 6, at Central Arkansas, 9/1/22
Tackles for Loss 2.0, at Southern Illinois, 11/6/21
..... 2.0, at Central Arkansas, 9/1/22
Sacks 2.0, at Southern Illinois, 11/6/21
Interceptions 0

#36 - SPENCER GROSZ - K

Extra Points 0
Field Goals 0
Field Goal Attempts 0
Long Field Goal 0
Kickoffs 6, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Touchbacks 1, done 3 times,
..... last at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Points 0
Total Tackles 1, at Kansas, 9/1/23
Solo Tackles 1, at Kansas, 9/1/23

#12 - P.J. HALL - S

Total Tackles 7, at UNI, 10/22/22
Solo Tackles 4, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Tackles for Loss 0.5, at UNI, 10/22/22
..... 0.5, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22
Interceptions 1, vs. Indiana State, 10/16/21
Long Interception Return 25, vs. Indiana State, 10/16/21
Passes Defended 1, done 3 times,
..... last at UNI, 10/22/22
Fumble Recoveries 1, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22

#22 - LEMONORE JOE - DB

Total Tackles 5, done 4 times,
..... last vs. UT Martin, 11/27/21
Solo Tackles 5, done 3 times,
..... last vs. UT Martin, 11/27/21
Tackles for Loss 1.0, vs. UT Martin, 11/27/21
Sacks 0
Interceptions 1, done 3 times,
..... last at Utah Tech, 11/20/21
Long Interception Return 38, at Utah Tech, 11/20/21
Passes Defended 2, done 3 times,
..... last vs. Youngstown State, 11/12/22

#84 - D'VONTAE KEY - WR

Receptions 2, at Kansas, 9/1/23
..... 2, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Receiving Yards 32, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Receiving Touchdowns 1, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Long Reception 24, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Total Carries 1, vs. Indiana State, 10/16/21
..... 1, at Utah Tech, 11/20/21
Rushing Yards 17, at Utah Tech, 11/20/21
Kickoff Returns 5, at North Dakota, 10/1/22
Long Kickoff Return 55, vs. South Dakota St., 9/24/22
All-Purpose Yards 121, at North Dakota, 10/1/22

#40 - CONNOR LAIR - LB

Total Tackles 1, done 3 times,
..... last vs. Southern Illinois, 10/8/22
Solo Tackles 1, vs. Southern Illinois, 10/8/22
Kickoff Returns 1, at North Dakota, 10/1/22
..... 1, vs. Southern Illinois, 10/8/22
Long Kickoff Return 13, vs. Southern Illinois, 10/8/22

#32 - KILIFI LEAETOA - LB

Total Tackles 6, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22
Solo Tackles 2, at UNI, 10/22/22
..... 2, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22

#58 - HUTSON LILLIBRIDGE - OL

Total Tackles 1, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Solo Tackles 1, at UT Martin, 9/9/23

#17 JARED LLOYD - LB

Total Tackles 6, at Kansas, 9/1/23
Solo Tackles 6, at Kansas, 9/1/23
Tackles for Loss 2.0, at Kansas, 9/1/23
Sacks 0

#31 - CELDON MANNING - RB

Total Carries 22, vs. Youngstown State, 4/10/21
Rushing Yards 99, vs. Youngstown State, 4/10/21
Rushing Touchdowns 3, vs. Southern Illinois, 3/27/21
Long Rush 28, vs. Youngstown State, 11/12/22
Receptions 6, vs. Southern Illinois, 3/27/21
Receiving Yards 117, vs. Southern Illinois, 3/27/21
Receiving Touchdowns 1, vs. Southern Illinois, 3/27/21
..... 1, vs. UT Martin, 9/8/22
Long Reception 75, vs. Southern Illinois, 3/27/21
All-Purpose Yards 182, vs. Southern Illinois, 3/27/21
Total Tackles 1, at Western Illinois, 2/27/21

Player Career Highs

#85 - LANCE MASON - TE

Receptions..... 2, done 4 times,
..... last at South Dakota, 11/5/22
Receiving Yards..... 40, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Receiving Touchdowns..... 1, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22
Long Reception..... 40, at UT Martin, 9/9/23

#4 - TODRIC MCGEE - S

Total Tackles..... 15, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Solo Tackles..... 10, at Kansas, 9/1/23
Passes Defended..... 3, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Fumble Recoveries..... 1, at Kansas, 9/1/23

#11 - JAMAL MCMURRIN - DB

Total Tackles..... 5, at UNI, 10/22/22
Solo Tackles..... 3, done 3 times,
..... last at Kansas, 9/1/23
Tackles for Loss..... 1.0, at North Dakota, 10/1/22
..... 1.0, at South Dakota, 11/5/22
Sacks..... 0
Interceptions..... 1, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22
Long Interception Return..... 29, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22
Passes Defended..... 4, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22
Fumble Recoveries..... 1, at South Dakota, 11/5/22

#14 - STETSON MOORE - TE

Receptions..... 3, vs. Alabama A&M, 11/17/18#
Receiving Yards..... 48, vs. Southern Illinois, 10/8/22
Receiving Touchdowns..... 1, vs. Alabama A&M, 11/17/18#
..... 1, at Alabama State, 11/22/18#
Long Reception..... 35, vs. Southern Illinois, 10/8/22
Kickoff Returns..... 1, vs. Alabama A&M, 11/17/18#
Long Kickoff Return..... 12, vs. Alabama A&M, 11/17/18#
at MVSU

#3 JAKAIRI MOSES - RB

Total Carries..... 19, at UTEP, 10/7/17#
Rushing Yards..... 56, vs. Ball State, 9/23/17#
Rushing Touchdowns..... 1, done 3 times,
..... last vs. Florida Atlantic, 11/20/21#
Long Rush..... 29, at Indiana, 9/17/22#
Receptions..... 6, at UTEP, 10/7/17#
Receiving Yards..... 51, vs. Central Arkansas, 8/29/19#
Receiving Touchdowns..... 0
Long Reception..... 26, vs. Central Arkansas, 8/29/19#
..... 26, at Hawaii, 9/3/22#
All-Purpose Yards..... 104, vs. Ball State, 9/23/17#
at Western Kentucky

#16 - J.J. O'NEAL - S

Total Tackles..... 2, vs. UT Martin, 9/8/22
..... 2, vs. Southern Illinois, 10/8/22
Solo Tackles..... 2, vs. Southern Illinois, 10/8/22
Tackles for Loss..... 0
Sacks..... 0

#18 - TERIQUE OWENS - WR

Receptions..... 3, done 4 times,
..... last at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Receiving Yards..... 53, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22
Receiving Touchdowns..... 0
Long Reception..... 32, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22

#2 - JORDAN PACHOT - QB

Completions..... 4, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Attempts..... 6, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Passing Yards..... 70, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Touchdown Passes..... 0
Long Pass..... 29, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Interceptions..... 1, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Total Carries..... 1, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22
..... 1, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Rushing Yards..... 5, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Rushing Touchdowns..... 0
Long Rush..... 5, at UT Martin, 9/9/23

#29 - AVERY POWELL - CB

Total Tackles..... 10, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Solo Tackles..... 8, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Passes Defended..... 1, at Kansas, 9/1/23
..... 1, at UT Martin, 9/9/23

#0 - JMARIYAE ROBINSON - WR

Receptions..... 3, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Receiving Yards..... 36, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Receiving Touchdowns..... 1, at Kansas, 9/1/23
..... 1, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Long Reception..... 18, at Kansas, 9/1/23
Total Carries..... 1, at Kansas, 9/1/23
Rushing Yards..... 5, at Kansas, 9/1/23
Rushing Touchdowns..... 1, at Kansas, 9/1/23
Long Rush..... 5, at Kansas, 9/1/23

#35 - OWEN ROZANC - K

Extra Points..... 6/6, vs. Concord, 10/12/19#
..... 6/6, vs. Fairmont State, 10/16/21#
Field Goals..... 3, vs. UVA Wise, 9/22/18#
..... 3, vs. West Virginia State, 10/20/18#
Field Goal Attempts..... 4, at Alderson Broadus, 9/11/21#
Long Field Goal..... 46, vs. Bloomsburg, 11/3/18#
..... 46, vs. Notre Dame (OH), 9/11/19#
Kickoffs..... 8, done 4 times,
..... last vs. Fairmont State, 10/16/21#
Touchbacks..... 4, vs. Concord, 10/12/19#
..... 4, at Alderson Broadus, 9/11/21#
Points..... 12, vs. West Virginia State, 10/20/18#
at West Liberty

19 - KHA'I'MON SAMUEL - CB

Total Tackles..... 2, at Texas Southern, 9/4/21#
Solo Tackles..... 1, done 4 times,
..... last vs. Miss. Valley State, 11/27/21#
Tackles for Loss..... 0
Sacks..... 0
Interceptions..... 0
Fumble Recoveries..... 0
at Prairie View A&M

#6 - RAYLEN SHARPE - WR

Receptions..... 7, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Receiving Yards..... 142, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Receiving Touchdowns..... 1, vs. South Dakota St., 9/24/22
..... 1, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Long Reception..... 67, vs. South Dakota St., 9/24/22
Total Carries..... 1, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Rushing Yards..... 8, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Punt Returns..... 3, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Long Punt Return..... 7, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Total Tackles..... 2, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22
Solo Tackles..... 2, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22
All-Purpose Yards..... 165, at UT Martin, 9/9/23

#10 - DYLAN SIMMONS - CB

Total Tackles..... 3, at Kansas, 9/1/23
Solo Tackles..... 3, at Kansas, 9/1/23
Tackles for Loss..... 0
Sacks..... 0
Interceptions..... 0
Fumble Recoveries..... 0
at Montana

#2 - DARION SMITH - DL

Total Tackles..... 5, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Solo Tackles..... 2, done 4 times,
..... last at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Tackles for Loss..... 1.0, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Sacks..... 1.0, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Interceptions..... 0
Fumble Recoveries..... 0
at Charlotte

#90 - STERLING SMITHSON - DL

Total Tackles..... 4, vs. Southern Illinois, 10/8/22
Solo Tackles..... 2, vs. Southern Illinois, 10/8/22
Tackles for Loss..... 1.0, vs. Southern Illinois, 10/8/22

#24 - TRAE THOMPSON - LB

Total Tackles..... 1, vs. UNI, 11/13/21
..... 1, at Utah Tech, 11/20/21
Solo Tackles..... 1, at Utah Tech, 11/20/21
Tackles for Loss..... 0
Sacks..... 0
Interceptions..... 0
Passes Defended..... 0
Fumble Recoveries..... 1, vs. Indiana State, 10/16/21
Total Carries..... 3, vs. Indiana State, 10/16/21
Rushing Yards..... 10, vs. Indiana State, 10/16/21
Rushing Touchdowns..... 1, done 3 times,
..... last vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22
Long Rush..... 7, vs. Indiana State, 10/16/21
Kickoff Returns..... 3, vs. Southern Illinois, 10/8/22
Long Kickoff Return..... 17, at UNI, 10/22/22

#78 - JA'VEO TOLIVER - OL

Total Tackles..... 3, at Utah Tech, 11/20/21
Solo Tackles..... 3, at Utah Tech, 11/20/21
Tackles for Loss..... 1.0, at Utah Tech, 11/20/21
Sacks..... 1.0, at Utah Tech, 11/20/21
Interceptions..... 0

#50 - MITCHELL TONEY - DL

Total Tackles..... 3, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Solo Tackles..... 1, at Kansas, 9/1/23

#96 - ARMON WALLACE - DL

Total Tackles..... 6, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Solo Tackles..... 2, done 3 times,
..... last at UT Martin, 9/9/23
Tackles for Loss..... 1.0, vs. UT Martin, 11/27/21
Sacks..... 0.5, at Southern Illinois, 11/6/21
Interceptions..... 0

Player Career Highs

#21 - STEVEN WARD - LB

Total Tackles 3, at Kansas, 9/1/23
 Solo Tackles 3, at Kansas, 9/1/23
 Tackles for Loss 0
 Sacks 0
 Interceptions 0
 Passes Defended 0
 Forced Fumbles 2, vs. Indiana State, 10/16/21
 Kickoff Returns 1, at Utah Tech, 11/20/21
 Long Kickoff Return 57, at Utah Tech, 11/20/21

#95 - JALEN WILLIAMS - DL

Total Tackles 7, vs. Southern Illinois, 10/8/22
 Solo Tackles 3, done 3 times,
 last at South Dakota, 11/5/22
 Tackles for Loss 2.0, at Central Arkansas, 9/1/22
 Sacks 1.0, done 7 times,
 last vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22
 Interceptions 0
 Fumble Recoveries 1, vs. Youngstown State, 4/10/21

#7 - TAVIER WILLIAMS - S

Total Tackles 5, at Kentucky, 9/4/21#
 5, vs. Louisiana, 9/24/22#
 Solo Tackles 3, at Coastal Carolina, 10/2/21#
 3, vs. Louisiana, 9/24/22#
 Tackles for Loss 0
 Sacks 0
 Interceptions 0
 Fumble Recoveries 0

at Louisiana Monroe

#88 - HUNTER WOOD - WR

Receptions 7, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
 Receiving Yards 74, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
 Receiving Touchdowns 1, at Central Arkansas, 9/1/22
 1, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22
 Long Reception 28, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
 Punt Returns 3, at Youngstown State, 10/9/21
 3, vs. Indiana State, 10/16/21
 Long Punt Return 6, at Youngstown State, 10/9/21
 6, vs. Indiana State, 10/16/21
 Total Tackles 2, vs. Youngstown State, 11/12/22
 Solo Tackles 1, at Utah Tech, 11/20/21

#9 - JACARDIA WRIGHT - RB

Total Carries 23, vs. UT Martin, 9/8/22
 Rushing Yards 120, vs. UT Martin, 9/8/22
 Rushing Touchdowns 2, done 3 times,
 last at Indiana State, 11/19/22
 Long Rush 55, at North Dakota, 10/1/22
 Receptions 5, vs. South Dakota St., 9/24/22
 Receiving Yards 42, vs. UT Martin, 9/8/22
 Receiving Touchdowns 1, vs. UT Martin, 9/8/22
 Long Reception 27, at Kansas, 9/1/23
 All-Purpose Yards 162, vs. UT Martin, 9/8/22

at Kansas State

#8 - LARRY WRIGHT III - WR

Receptions 1, done 3 times,
 last at Indiana State, 11/19/22
 Receiving Yards 30, at Indiana State, 11/19/22
 Receiving Touchdowns 0
 Long Reception 30, at Indiana State, 11/19/22
 Total Tackles 1, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22

#30 - VON YOUNG - ILB

Total Tackles 12, at North Dakota, 10/1/22
 Solo Tackles 8, at North Dakota, 10/1/22
 Tackles for Loss 1.5, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22
 Sacks 1.0, vs. Western Illinois, 10/29/22
 1.0, at UT Martin, 9/9/23
 Interceptions 1, at North Dakota, 10/1/22
 Fumble Recoveries 1, at Arkansas, 9/17/22
 Blocked Kicks 1, at Illinois State, 10/2/21
 Long Kickoff Return 23, vs. Youngstown State, 4/10/21

Game 1

KANSAS 48, MISSOURI STATE 17**SEPT. 1, 2023 AT LAWRENCE, KAN.**

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Missouri State.....	7	3	0	7	17
Kansas	7	10	10	21	48

SCORING SUMMARY

1st 11:11 KU D.Neal 48 yd rush (S.Keller kick), 4-70, 1:49
 2:24 MSU J.Robinson 2 pass from Clark (Rozanc k), 10-46, 5:37
 2nd 12:11 MSU O.Rozanc 37 yd FG, 7-53, 3:10
 11:03 KU L.Grimm 14 pass from J.Bean (S.Keller kick), 3-75, 1:11
 1:05 KU S.Keller 28 yd FG, 10-75, 5:02
 3rd 10:29 KU D.McDuffie 17 yd rush (S.Keller kick), 9-69, 4:22
 3:18 KU S.Keller 35 yd FG, 10-55, 5:07
 4th 14:57 MSU J.Robinson 5 yd rush (O.Rozanc kick), 6-75, 3:21
 10:18 KU D.Hishaw 24 yd rush (S.Keller kick), 8-75, 4:39
 7:49 KU D.Neal 6 yd pass from Bean (Piepergerdes k), 5-28, 2:21
 4:57 KU S.Morrison 5 yd rush (S.Keller kick), 4-23, 2:14

TEAM STATS	MSU	KU
FIRST DOWNS	10	27
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	27-74	38-245
PASSING YDS (NET)	143	276
Passes Att-Comp-Int	21-14-2	28-22-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	48-217	66-521
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	1-18	2-61
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	2-12
Punts (Number-Avg)	6-39.7	0-0.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	6-50	3-35
Possession Time	26:13	33:47
Third-Down Conversions	1 of 9	6 of 11
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	1 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-3	6-6
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	1-0

INDIVIDUAL STATS

RUSHING: (MSU) Jacob Clark 8-36; Jacardia Wright 15-23; Jmariyae Robinson 1-5; Jakairi Moses 1-4; Celdon Manning 1-3; Jayden Becks 1-3. (KU) Devin Neal 13-94; Sevion Morrison 8-41; Jason Bean 5-41; Dylan McDuffie 6-40; Daniel Hishaw 4-29; TEAM 2-0.

PASSING: (MSU) Jacob Clark 14-21-2-143. (KU) Jason Bean 22-28-0-276.

RECEIVING: (MSU) Raylen Sharpe 5-21; Celdon Manning 2-31; D'Vontae Key 2-23; Jmariyae Robinson 2-20; Jacardia Wright 1-27; Hunter Wood 1-15; Lance Mason 1-6. (KU) Quentin Skinner 4-77; Lawrence Arnold 4-77; Luke Grimm 4-33; Devin Neal 3-25; Trevor Kardell 2-22; Mason Fairchild 2-21; Trevor Wilson 2-17; Torry Locklin 1-4.

TOTAL TACKLES: (MSU) Todric McGee 12; Jared Lloyd 6; Tahj Chambers 6; Von Young 5; Jamal McMurrin 4. (KU) Rich Miller 7; Hayden Hatcher 7; Marvin Grant 4; J.B. Brown 4.

GAME INFO

David Booth Kansas Memorial Stadium || Attendance: 41,091
 Kickoff: 7:02 p.m. || Total Elapsed Time: 3:08
 Referee: Henry Johns; Umpire: Robert Richeson; Linesman: Andy Warner; Line judge: Keith Garmond; Back judge: Brian Ernest; Field judge: Matthew Mills; Side judge: Marion Seneca.
 Temperature: 89 || Wind: E8 || Weather: Sunny

BEAR NOTES

- QB Jacob Clark leads Bears in passing (143) and rushing (36) yardage in his Missouri State debut.
- Raylen Sharpe career-high 5 receptions for 21 yards.
- J'mariyae Robinson scores his first two career touchdowns, first on a 2-yard pass from Clark, and later on a 5-yard rush.
- Owen Rozanc 2/2 on PAT's with a 37-yard FG in debut
- Todric McGee matches career high with 12 total tackles, including 10 solo stops as the game's top tackler.
- Bears stayed within 10 points of lead until final 10 minutes.
- 34th straight year the Bears have played an FBS foe.

Game 2

UT MARTIN 38, MISSOURI STATE 31**SEPT. 9, 2023 AT MARTIN, TENN.**

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score
Missouri State.....	7	0	7	17	31
UT Martin	17	7	0	14	38

SCORING SUMMARY

1st 14:43 UTM Sam Franklin 81 yd run (Aidan Laros kick), 1-81 0:17
 12:20 MSU Raylen Sharpe 33 pass from Clark (Rozanc), 6-75 2:23
 7:16 UTM Aidan Laros 29 yd field goal, 6-22, 1:55
 2:28 UTM Austin Bray 3 pass from Dent (Laros kick), 10-66, 3:28
 2nd 6:15 UTM Marlon Cook 12 pass f/ Dent (Laros kick), 13-85, 4:28
 3rd 5:29 MSU D'Vontae Key 24 pass Clark (Rozanc kick), 10-82 3:30
 4th 14:15 MSU Owen Rozanc 38 yd field goal, 10-49 4:48
 9:39 MSU J. Robinson 10 pass f/ Clark (Rozanc kick), 6-71, 3:03
 9:04 UTM Sam Franklin 49 yd run (Aidan Laros kick), 3-60, 0:35
 5:21 MSU Jacardia Wright 4 yd run (Rozanc kick), 11-75, 3:43
 1:45 UTM Sam Franklin 20 yd run (Aidan Laros kick), 8-76, 3:29

TEAM STATS	MSU	UTM
FIRST DOWNS	26	24
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	36-111	41-405
PASSING YDS (NET)	402	107
Passes Att-Comp-Int	48-27-1	33-14-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	84-513	74-512
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	3-15	2-4
Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-45	3-41
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-5
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-45.5	4-44.5
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	2-20	5-35
Possession Time	33:40	26:20
Third-Down Conversions	10 of 21	7 of 14
Fourth-Down Conversions	3 of 3	0 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-3	4-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-18	1-2

INDIVIDUAL STATS

RUSHING: (MSU) Jacardia Wright 18-46; Jacob Clark 9-38; Celdon Manning 2-18; Raylen Sharpe 1-8; Jordan Pachot 1-5; Jakairi Moses 2-2; Jayden Becks 3-(-6). (UTM) Sam Franklin 20-259; Jordan Castleberry 6-66; Kinkead Dent 8-48; Narkel Leflore 6-33; TEAM 1-(-1).

PASSING: (MSU) Jacob Clark 23-42-0-332; Jordan Pachot 4-6-1-70. (UTM) Kinkead Dent 14-33-0-107.

RECEIVING: (MSU) Raylen Sharpe 7-142; Hunter Wood 7-74; Jmariyae Robinson 3-36; Terique Owens 3-34; D'Vontae Key 2-32; Celdon Manning 2-24; Jacardia Wright 2-20; Lance Mason 1-40. (UTM) Devonte Tanksley 4-44; Trevonte Rucker 3-20; Marlon Cook 2-19; Narkel Leflore 1-8; Zoe Roberts 1-7; Max Dowling 1-4; Austin Bray 1-3; Shawn Hardy II 1-2.

TOTAL TACKLES: (MSU) Todric McGee 15; Avery Powell 10; Armon Wallace 6; PJ Hall 5; Darion Smith 5; Devin Goree 5. (UTM) Carson Evans 13; Oshae Baker 10; Daylan Dotson 10; Josh Hastings 8; Jaylon Sharpe 7; Jack Lucas 5.

GAME INFO

Handy M. Graham Stadium || Attendance: 6,104
 Kickoff: 6:02 p.m. || Total Elapsed Time: 3:20
 Referee: Douglas Mercer; Umpire: Bill Ballard; Linesman: Michael Freeman; Line judge: Michael Giardullo; Back judge: Garrett Haislip; Field judge: Kenneth Strong; Side judge: Kevin Conder.
 Temperature: 76 || Wind: N10 || Weather: Sunny

BEAR NOTES

- Bears overcame a 24-7 halftime deficit to tie the game twice in the second half, 24-24 and 31-31.
- Todric McGee game-high / career-high 15 tackles, 3 PBU
- Jacob Clark 23-of-42 for 332 yards, 3 TD's, 0 interceptions -- 22nd most passing yards in school history
- Raylen Sharpe, 7 catches for 142 yards, TD
- MoState scored on four straight second-half possessions before running out of time on the game's final drive.
- MSU outgained UTM 161-14 in the 3rd quarter.

Game 3



Head Coach Ryan Beard

Missouri State University officially presented Ryan Beard as its new head football coach on Dec. 19, 2022 during a news conference in Great Southern Bank Arena on the Springfield campus.

At 34, Beard is the program's youngest head coach on record and is the 22nd person to hold the football Bears' top coaching position. His elevation to head coach came on the heels of three seasons as defensive coordinator (2020-22) at Missouri State under former head coach Bobby Petrino.

Beard has played a significant role in Missouri State's resurgence on the gridiron, managing a defensive unit that has boasted 18 all-conference selections, four All-Americans and three professional players in his tenure at Mo-State.

In his first campaign in Springfield in 2020-21, Beard and his defensive unit broke the program record for sacks with 27, created 15 turnovers, and held every Missouri Valley Football Conference foe under 30 points for the first time since 1989. His inaugural season at MSU culminated in five all-conference selections, while the Bears captured a share of the Valley championship and earned an NCAA playoff berth for the first time in 30 years.

As an encore effort in 2021, Beard's second year with the program saw the Bears top the club sack record again (30) while racking up 25 takeaways and securing 15 interceptions. In addition to making a second straight NCAA playoff appearance in 2021, MSU finished in sole possession of

second place in the rugged Missouri Valley Football Conference, ranked ninth nationally in turnovers gained and finished 14th in interceptions per game. The 2021 Bears also boasted five all-conference players on the defensive side of the ball, including safeties Kyriq McDonald and Titus Wall. Wall went on to immediate success with the Calgary Stampeders of the Canadian Football League, while Bears' defensive lineman Eric Johnson was drafted by the Indianapolis Colts in the fifth round of the 2022 NFL Draft.

The 2022 Bears defense gave up just 15.8 points per game over their last four games with defensive end Kevin Ellis leading the nation in fumble recoveries, and four MSU defenders earning all-conference laurels, including McDonald, three-time captain Kevin Ellis and five-time All-MVFC pick Montrae Braswell who signed a free agent deal with the Seattle Seahawks.

Before coming to Missouri State, Beard spent the 2019 season at Central Michigan University as the special teams and safeties coach for head coach Jim McElwain. He joined the Central Michigan staff in February of 2019 and helped lead the Chippewas to an 8-6 campaign on a defensive secondary that created 13 interceptions.

Beard served as an assistant at Louisville during the 2017 and 2018 seasons, starting as the defensive backs coach and in quality control before moving on to become the Cardinals' linebackers coach and their co-special teams coordinator. Among those who Beard coached at Louisville are Jaire Alexander, who was selected by the Green Bay

Packers in the first round of the NFL draft; 2014 Jim Thorpe Award winner Gerod Holliman; and James Sample, a former member of the Jacksonville Jaguars.

As the defensive backs coach at Western Kentucky in 2016, Beard helped lead the Hilltoppers to the Conference USA championship and a win in the Boca Raton Bowl.

Beard was a standout defensive back at Western Kentucky himself from 2007-11. He was a two-time All-Sun Belt Conference selection and was named to the league's All-Freshman squad and its All-Academic team. In 2011, he earned the Western Kentucky Iron Man Award.

A native of Bowling Green, Ky., Beard was a four-year letterwinner at Bowling Green High for coach Kevin Wallace, where his efforts helped the Purples advance to the state 3A championship contest in each of his last two years.

Beard holds two degrees from Western Kentucky: a bachelor of science in Business Management (2012), and a master of science in Recreation and Sport Administration (2014).

He is married to the former Katie Petrino. The couple have four children with son Beau and daughter Lainey, in addition to twins Jacob and Kailey born in the spring of 2022.



BEARD COACHING RESUME

Dec. 19, 2022 - Missouri State
Head Coach

2020-22 - Missouri State
Defensive Coordinator

2019-20 - Central Michigan
Assistant Coach (Safeties, Special Teams Coordinator)

2018 - Louisville
Assistant Coach (Linebackers, Co-Special Teams Coordinator)

2017-18 - Louisville
Defensive Quality Control (Defensive Backs)

2016-17 - Western Kentucky
Assistant Coach (Defensive Backs)

2015-16 - Northern Michigan
Assistant Coach (Defensive Backs)

2014-15 - Louisville
Defensive Quality Control (Defensive Backs)

2012-14 - Western Kentucky
Graduate Assistant (Defensive Backs)

2012 - Western Kentucky
Volunteer Assistant (Defensive Backs)

TEAM ACHIEVEMENTS

2021 - NCAA FCS Playoffs (MSU)
2020 - MVFC Co-Champions (MSU)
2020 - NCAA FCS Playoffs (MSU)
2019 - MAC West Champions (CMU)
2019 - Nex Mexico Bowl (CMU)
2017 - Tax Slayer Bowl (Louisville)
2016 - CUSA Champions (WKU)
2016 - Boca Raton Bowl (WKU)
2014 - Belk Bowl (Louisville)
2012 - Little Caesar's Bowl (WKU)

EDUCATION

B.S. - Western Kentucky (2012)
M.S. - Western Kentucky (2013)

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Kaunor Ashley	CONNER
Wesley Bazzle	rhymes with dazzle
Jahiel Blue-Smith	juh-HEEL
Caden Bolz	BOWLS
Grant Burkett	bur-KETT
Erick Cade	rhymes with made
Tahj Chambers	rhymes with Dodge
Alama Collins	uh-LAH-muh
Caleb Dietlin	DEET-linn
Dylan Dixon	DIXON
Cole Feuerbacher	FOUR-bock-er
Tevita Fuimaono	foeey-MAH-ono
Jayden Gillens	GILL-ins
Devin Goree	GORE-ee
Spencer Grosz	Gross
Watson Hafer	HAY-fur
Raveion Harrell	RAVE-ee-on
Danielson Ike	EE-kay
Lemondre Joe	luh-MON-dray
D'Vontae Key	duh-VON-tay
Cristian Loiza	low-EYE-zuh
Kilifi Leaaetoo	key-LEAFY | LEE-ah-ah-toe-uh
Kaleno Levine	luh-VEEN
Hutson Lillibridge	HUT-son LILLY-bridge
Celdon Manning	SELL-din
Ivan Madrigal	MAD-rig-ull
Todric McGee	TODD-rick
Jamal McMurrin	juh-MAUL
Ethan Merrell	MARE-ull
Jakairi Moses	juh-CAR-ee
Deamikkio Nathan	duh-ME-key-oh
Terique Owens	tuh-REEK
Jordan Pachot	puh-SHOW
Jmariya Robinson	juh-MARR-ee-ayy
Owen Rozanc	ROE-zance (like romance)
Khai'mon Samuel	KAY-men
Jamauri Sands	juh-MAR-ee
Thomas Schulte	SHUL-tee
Raylen Sharpe	Sharp
Dylan Simmons	Dillon
Darion Smith	DARE-ee-un
Gilles Tchio	jills | CHEE-oh
Michael Teason	TEE-son
Ja'Veo Tolliver	juh-VEE-oh
Armon Wallace	R-mon
Caden Wiest	WEEST
Tavier Williams	rhymes with savior
Jacardia Wright	juh-CAR-dee-yay
Kanye Young	CON-yay

FOOTBALL STAFF

Head Coach

Ryan Beard (Western Kentucky, 2012)
Career Record..... 0-0, 1st season

Offensive Coordinator (Quarterbacks)

Nick Petrino (Western Kentucky, 2014)

Defensive Coordinator (Defensive Line)

L.D. Scott (Louisville, 2009)

Assistant Coach (Co-Offensive Coord. / RBs)

Ronnie Fouch (Indiana State, 2012)

Assistant Coach (Co-Defensive Coord / LBs)

Reggie Johnson (Louisville, 1996)

Assistant Coach (TE, Co-Special Teams Coord.)

Nelson Fishback (Western Ky., 2015)

Assistant Coach (WR, Co-Special Teams Coord.)

Donte Ellington (San Jose City, 2008)

Assistant Coach (Offensive Line)

Max Halpin (Western Ky., 2016)

Assistant Coach (Cornerbacks)

Tramain Thomas (Arkansas, 2013)

Assistant Coach (Safeties)

Kevin Elliott (Concord, 2013)

Assistant Coach (Nickels/OLBs)

Michael Downing (TCU, 2017)

Dir. of High School Relations

Dalton Franks (Stephen F. Austin, 2018)

Football Operations

Brad Jarman (Missouri State, 2018)

2023 Missouri State Football Alphabetical Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown	High School / Previous College
0	Kaunor Ashley**	CB	5-10	187	RSO.	2L/3SQ	Muskogee, Okla.	Muskogee High
5	Jayden Becks	RB	5-11	185	Fr.	HS	Waxahachie, Texas	Waxahachie High
25	Caleb Blake*	CB	6-0	187	Jr.	1L	Winter Haven, Fla.	Bishop Moore High / Florida State
27	Jahiel Blue-Smith^	CB	5-9	180	RSO.	1SQ	Oceanside, Calif.	Chaparral High / Mt. San Jacinto College
45	Caden Bolz***	LS	6-0	210	Jr.	3L/4SQ	Overland Park, Kan.	Blue Valley West High
15	Ryan Boyd	WR	6-0	184	Fr.	HS	St. Louis, Mo.	Cardinal Ritter Prep
91	Tim Brantley Jr.	DL	6-1	320	Fr.	HS	Allen, Texas	Allen High
10	Chase Brewster	QB	6-5	214	RFr.	TR	Hanover, Mass.	Tilton (N.H.) Academy / UMass
31	Grant Burkett***	P	6-1	180	Jr.	3L/4SQ	Joplin, Mo.	Webb City High
11	Angelo Butts	WR	5-11	181	So.	TR	St. Louis, Mo.	O'Fallon Christian / Miami (Ohio)
74	Erick Cade	OL	6-7	345	So.	TR	Denton, Texas	Braswell High / Ole Miss
98	Jayson Caldwell^	DL	6-6	240	RFr.	1SQ	Dickinson, Texas	Dickinson High
26	Tahj Chambers**	LB	6-2	215	Jr.	2L/3SQ	Arlington, Texas	Grace Prep Academy
6	Donovan Clark*	CB	6-2	189	Jr.	1L/2SQ	Sumner, Wash.	Lincoln High / Boise State
12	Jacob Clark^	QB	6-5	226	RSO.	1SQ	Rockwall, Texas	Rockwall High / Minnesota
87	Gary Clinton*	TE	6-4	250	RSO.	1L/2SQ	Webb City, Mo.	Webb City High
93	Alama Collins	DL	6-1	302	Jr.	TR	Long Beach, Calif.	Wilson High / Cerritos (Calif.) College
70	Justin Curtis	OL	6-5	315	So.	TR	Santa Clarita, Calif.	IMG Academy (Fla.) / Wagner College
37	Josh Deal	K	6-0	206	Fr.	HS	O'Fallon, Mo.	Francis Howell High
43	Caleb Dietlin*	DL	6-3	246	So.	1L/2SQ	Aurora, Ill.	West Aurora High
9	Dylan Dixon	S	6-1	185	RFr.	TR	Houston, Texas	Pearland High / Colorado
4	Cole Feuerbacher	QB	6-3	205	Fr.	HS	Springfield, Mo.	Glendale High
54	Tevita Fuimaono*	OL	6-2	295	Sr.	1L	Pomona, Calif.	Norco High / Riverside (Calif.) City College
19	Jayden Gillens	WR	5-10	182	Fr.	HS	Orlando, Fla.	Jones High
66	Grant Goodson*	OL	6-6	309	So.	1L/3SQ	Norman, Okla.	Norman High
18	Nik Goodwin	QB	6-0	200	So.	TR	Folsom, Calif.	Vista Del Lago High / Sierra (Calif.) College
8	Devin Goree***	DL	6-3	254	Jr.	3L	Denton, Texas	Guyher High
22	Ramone Green Jr.	RB	5-9	190	Fr.	HS	Nixa, Mo.	Nixa High
36	Spencer Grosz^	K	5-11	180	Jr.	2SQ	Olathe, Kan.	Olathe East High
80	Watson Hafer	TE	6-4	225	Fr.	HS	West Plains, Mo.	West Plains High
12	P.J. Hall, Jr.**	S	6-3	199	Jr.	2L/3SQ	Little Rock, Ark.	Robinson High
94	Raveion Harrell^	DL	6-2	305	RJr.	1SQ	Springfield, Mo.	Kickapoo High / Ft. Scott (Kan.) College
79	Brett Harris^	OL	6-6	293	So.	2SQ	Kansas City, Mo.	Rockhurst High
71	Cash Hudson^	OL	6-3	290	RFr.	1SQ	Tulsa, Okla.	Bishop Kelley High
72	Mark Hutchinson^	OL	6-2	298	So.	3SQ	Hayward, Calif.	Pittsburg High
77	Danielson Ike	OL	6-6	325	Jr.	TR	Kansas City, Mo.	Rockhurst High / SMU
22	Lemondre Joe*	CB	6-0	172	RSO.	1L/2SQ	Deltona, Fla.	Mainland High
47	Caden Kellow	LS	6-1	220	RFr.	TR	Brentwood, Tenn.	Ravenwood High / Utah State
84	D'Vontae Key***	WR	5-10	185	Jr.	3L	Raytown, Mo.	Raytown High
40	Connor Lair*	RB	6-1	225	So.	1L	West Plains, Mo.	West Plains High
32	Kilifi Leaaetoo*	LB	6-1	220	Sr.	1L	E. Menlo Park, Calif.	Menlo Atherton High / Foothill (Calif.) Coll.
5	Kaleno Levine	CB	5-11	180	Jr.	TR	Fort Worth, Texas	V.R. Eaton High / Tyler (Texas) JC
58	Hutson Lillibridge	OL	6-3	318	So.	TR	St. Louis, Mo.	DeSmet High / Tulane
97	Andrew Link	DL	6-4	250	Fr.	HS	Springfield, Mo.	Kickapoo High
17	Jared "Bird" Lloyd*	LB	6-3	231	So.	1L	Daytona Beach, Fla.	Mainland High
76	Cristian Loiza^	OL	6-5	315	RFr.	1SQ	Wesley Chapel, Fla.	Wiregrass Ranch High
75	Ivan Madrigal	OL	6-4	302	Jr.	TR	Glendale, Ariz.	Glendale High / New Mexico Military Inst.
31	Celdon Manning**	RB	5-10	182	Jr.	2L/3SQ	Allen, Texas	Allen High
85	Lance Mason*	TE	6-3	249	So.	1L	Rockwall, Texas	Rockwall High
4	Todric McGee*	S	6-1	198	So.	1L/2SQ	Wichita, Kan.	Wichita Northwest High
11	Jamal McMurrin*	CB	5-11	191	Sr.	1L	West Salem, Ore.	West Salem High / Butte (Calif.) College
52	Ethan Merrell	LB	6-2	236	So.	TR	Girard, Kan.	Girard High / Ottawa (Kan.) Univ.
23	Heston Miller	S	6-1	202	Fr.	HS	West Plains, Mo.	West Plains High
14	Stetson Moore*	TE	6-4	247	Sr.	1L	Philadelphia, Miss.	Philadelphia High / Liberty
3	Jakairi Moses	RB	5-9	195	Sr.	TR	Palm Beach, Fla.	Dwyer High / Western Kentucky
81	Deamikkio Nathan II	WR	6-0	195	So.	TR	Grand Prairie, Texas	South Grand Prairie High / UNLV
16	J.J. O'Neal*	S	6-2	187	So.	1L	Rogersville, Mo.	Logan-Rogersville High
13	Liam O'Reilly^	WR	6-2	190	RFr.	1SQ	Springfield, Mo.	Springfield Catholic High
18	Terique Owens**	WR	6-3	200	Sr.	2L	Pleasanton, Calif.	Bishop O'Dowd High / FAU
2	Jordan Pachot^	QB	6-2	203	Jr.	1SQ	Highland, Calif.	San Geronio High / Ventura (Calif.) Coll.
29	Avery Powell	CB	5-10	175	RFr.	TR	East Orange, N.J.	Saint Peter's Prep / Holy Cross
37	Keaton Renfro	S	6-0	185	So.	TR	Joplin, Mo.	Joplin High / Missouri S&T
0	Jmariya Robinson^	WR	6-1	171	RFr.	1SQ	Cocoa, Fla.	Cocoa High
31	Cooper Roy	LB	6-3	228	Fr.	TR	Springfield, Mo.	Glendale High
35	Owen Rozanc	K	5-10	197	Sr.	TR	Sheffield Lake, Ohio	Brookside High / Bowling Green
73	Jax Rumsey	OL	6-4	313	Fr.	HS	Moore, Okla.	Moore High
19	Khai'mon Samuel	CB	6-1	190	RSO.	TR	Houston, Texas	Lamar High / Prairie View A&M
13	Jamauri Sands	S	6-1	170	Fr.	HS	Orlando, Fla.	Jones High
52	Thomas Schulte^	OL	6-1	295	RFr.	1SQ	Nixa, Mo.	Nixa High
6	Raylen Sharpe*	WR	5-9	172	Jr.	1L	Allen, Texas	Allen High / Houston
10	Dylan Simmons	CB	6-0	185	So.	TR	Marrero, La.	Metairie Park Country Day High / Montana
83	George Sims	WR	5-10	190	Jr.	TR	Racine, Wis.	Horlick High / Iowa Central CC
2	Darion Smith	DL	6-4	260	Jr.	TR	St. Louis, Mo.	Trinity Catholic High / Charlotte
90	Sterling Smithson*	DL	6-3	325	So.	1L/2SQ	Overland Park, Kan.	Blue Valley High
57	Izaac Tauiliili	DL	6-1	300	Jr.	TR	Las Vegas, Nev.	Cimarron Memorial High / Cerritos (Calif.) Coll.
57	Gilles Tchio^	OL	6-3	303	RFr.	1SQ	Milton, Ga.	Milton High
28	Michael Teason	LB	6-2	217	Fr.	HS	St. Louis, Mo.	CBC High
24	Trae Thompson**	TE	6-1	253	Sr.	2L	Tulsa, Okla.	Tulsa Union High / Northeastern Okla. A&M
78	Ja'Veo Tolliver**	OL	6-5	302	Jr.	2L/3SQ	Springfield, Mo.	Parkview High
50	Mitchell Toney	DL	6-2	285	Fr.	HS	Louisville, Ky.	Trinity High
96	Armon Wallace***	DL	6-0	300	Jr.	3L	St. Charles, Mo.	DeSmet High
21	Steven Ward*	LB	6-0	210	RSO.	1L/2SQ	Nixa, Mo.	Nixa High
3	DeAndre Washington^	S	6-2	187	RJr.	1SQ	Wellington, Kan.	Wellington High / Hutchinson (Kan.) Coll.
39	Sage White^	RB	5-8	175	RFr.	1SQ	Hardin, Ill.	Calhoun/Brussels High
33	Caden Wiest	DL	6-4	248	Fr.	HS	Reeds Spring, Mo.	Reeds Spring High
20	Floyd Williams	CB	6-1	179	Fr.	HS	Blytheville, Ark.	Gosnell High
95	Jalen Williams***	DL	6-4	251	Jr.	3L/4SQ	Overland Park, Kan.	Bishop Miege High
7	Tavier Williams	S	6-3	196	Jr.	TR	Many, La.	Many High / Louisiana-Monroe
18	Dallas Winner-Johnson	LB	6-5	221	Fr.	HS	St. Louis, Mo.	Cardinal Ritter Prep
88	Hunter Wood**	WR	6-1	205	Jr.	3L	Springdale, Ark.	Har-Ber High
9	Jacardia Wright*	RB	6-0	220	Jr.	1L	Decatur, Ill.	St. Teresa High / Kansas State
8	Larry Wright III*	WR	6-4	205	Jr.	1L	Apple Valley, Minn.	Eastview High / Minnesota
34	Josh Wyatt	LB	6-1	215	Fr.	HS	Farmington, Mo.	Farmington High
44	Kanye Young	LB	6-1	235	So.	TR	Menifee, Calif.	Heritage High / Reedley (Calif.) College
30	Von Young**	LB	6-0	218	Jr.	3L/4SQ	Buckner, Mo.	Fort Osage High

* indicates number of varsity letters at MSU; ^ indicates returning squad member