

# NIU FOOTBALL 20

## 2020 NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY HUSKIES

### 2020 SCHEDULE

Day, Date	Opponent (TV)	Time (CT)
Wed., Nov. 4	BUFFALO* (ESPN2)	6 p.m.
Wed., Nov. 11	CENTRAL MICHIGAN* (ESPNU)	7 p.m.
Wed., Nov. 18	at Ball State* (TBD)	TBA
Sat., Nov. 28	at Western Michigan* (TBD)	TBA
Sat., Dec. 5	TOLEDO* (TBD)	TBA
Sat., Dec. 12	at Eastern Michigan* (TBD)	TBA
Fri., Dec. 18	MAC Championship (TBD)	TBA
	<i>Ford Field, Detroit, Mich.</i>	

\*Mid-American Conference Game; All Times Central.

Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2020 - 6 PM CT  
DeKalb, Illinois • Huskie Stadium (23,595)



**BUFFALO**

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Lance Leipold  
UW-Whitewater '87  
141-38/13  
31-32/5



**NIU**

Overall Record	0-0
Conference Record	0-0
Head Coach	Thomas Hammock
Alma Mater	NIU '02
Career Record/Years	5-7/1
School Record/Years	Same

### HUSKIE FOOTBALL FACTS

Head Coach.....	Thomas Hammock
Alma Mater/Year.....	NIU '02
Record at NIU/Years.....	5-7/1
Career Record/Years.....	Same
Basic Offense/Defense.....	Multiple/4-3
First Year of Football.....	1899
2019 Record/MAC Record/Finish.....	5-7/4-4/3rd
All-Time Record.....	592-501-51
Last Bowl Game.....	2018 Cheribundi Roca Raton Bowl
	UAB 37, NIU 14
Bowl Appearances (FBS).....	13
MAC Championship Appearances, Last.....	8, 2018
MAC Championships, Last.....	5, 2018
Letterwinners Returning/Lost.....	34/35
Starters Returning.....	14 (6 offense, 5 defense, 3 specialists)
Starters Lost.....	11 (5 offense, 6 defense)

### NIU FACTS

Location.....	DeKalb, Illinois
Founded.....	1895
Enrollment.....	16,769
Affiliation.....	NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision
Conference.....	Mid-American (West Division)
Colors.....	Cardinal and Black
Nickname.....	Huskies
Stadium.....	Brigham Field at Huskie Stadium
Surface/Capacity.....	FieldTurf /23,595
Acting President.....	Dr. Lisa Freeman
Assoc. VP/Athletic Director.....	Sean T. Frazier
Alma Mater, Year.....	Alabama '92
Tickets.....	815-753-PACK (7225)



### HUSKIE BITES

- The NIU Huskies open a most unusual 118th season of intercollegiate football on Wednesday, November 4th when they welcome the University at Buffalo Bulls to Huskie Stadium.
- Due to state of Illinois, Mid-American Conference and NIU regulations in place during the COVID-19 pandemic, fans - except for family members of the players and coaches - will not be permitted in Huskie Stadium in 2020 and parking lots will not be open for pregame tailgating.
- NIU graduate Thomas Hammock, a two-time first team Academic All-American who rushed for 1,000 yards to lead the Huskies in both 2000 and 2001, begins his second year as head coach. Prior to returning to NIU, he served as running backs for the Baltimore Ravens for five seasons.
- The Huskies' 2020 roster includes 57 newcomers and 66 underclassmen (freshmen, redshirt freshmen or true sophomores).
- Returning quarterback Ross Bowers will have a brand new pack of running backs behind him this season. The only returning tailback - redshirt freshman Rondarius Gregory - carried just nine times for 43 yards in three games of action last season. He is joined by junior college transfer Erin Collins and true freshman Harrison Waylee on the depth chart at tailback.
- Among the five returning starters on defense for NIU are a pair of seniors who missed the majority of the 2019 season in Lance Deveaux Jr. and Kyle Pugh. Together, they bring more than 34 starts and 250 tackles to the 2020 defense.
- NIU carries a 12-game winning streak versus the Bulls into the season opener, with Buffalo's last win over the Huskies coming in the series' first game in 1968, before either team was a Football Bowl Subdivision program.
- Over the last 10 years, NIU has been one of the most successful "Group of Five" teams in the Football Bowl Subdivision with four MAC Championships (most recently in 2018) and 10 bowl appearances in the last 12 years. NIU played in seven of the 10 MAC title games between 2010-19.



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## WEEKLY MEDIA SCHEDULE

### PRESEASON MAC COACHES' ZOOM

- NIU Head Coach Thomas Hammock will be available on the Preseason MAC Football Head Coaches Zoom Video Conference Call on Thursday, October 29 from 9:50-10 a.m. (CT).
- Following the conclusion of the Video Conference (10:30 a.m. CT), the complete video of all coaches interviews will be posted online getsomemaction.com.
- The West Division Coaches Zoom will be held Thursday with the East Division Coaches on Friday.
- To access the link, contact NIU or the Mid-American Conference (jguy@mac-sports.com).

### NIU WEEKLY PRESS CONFERENCE

- NIU will host a weekly Zoom video conference with Thomas Hammock and several Huskie players throughout the season.
- All press conferences will be virtual in 2020.
- The first press conference will be Friday, October 30, at 1 p.m. CT.**
- Contact the NIU Athletics Communications staff for the Zoom link.
- See a recording of the weekly press conference later in the day on the NIU Athletics YouTube Channel.

### NIU PLAYER & COACH AVAILABILITY

- During the #MAAction portion of the schedule (first three games), Huskie players and coaches are available for telephone or video interviews Friday through Monday.
- Contact the NIU Athletics Communications Office to arrange either all interviews.
- Please provide 24-hour notice for interview requests so that times can be arranged.
- Contact Joe Summins (players and assistant coaches) or Donna Turner (head coach) to arrange interviews.

### PRACTICE COVERAGE

- During the #MAAction portion of the schedule (first three games), the primary practice days will be Saturday, Sunday and Monday.
- Media may watch/shoot the first 30 minutes of practice.
- Please contact the NIU Athletics Communications for specific times.

### INFORMATION, VIDEO & PHOTO REQUESTS

- To be added to the NIU AthComm e-mail distribution list (media only), contact Donna Turner.
- Contact Joe Summins to request photos and/or video.
- Information on all MAC teams, including releases, depth charts and photos, logos, league stats and more are available online at CollegePressBox.com. Media can register for access at collegepressbox.com/register.
- Media should contact the NIU or MAC Office to obtain login information.

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## THIS WEEK'S GAME

**LID LIFTERS:** NIU is 19-32 in season-opening games as a Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) program. Last year, the Huskies defeated Illinois State, 24-10, at Huskie Stadium in Thomas Hammock's debut as head coach. The win gave NIU its first season-opening victory since a 38-30 defeat of UNLV at home in the 2015 opener.

**FOR OPENERS:** Since 1969, NIU is 28-21 in home openers at Huskie Stadium, and is 15-12 as an FBS program when opening a season at home. The Huskies are 3-1 in their last three season openers at Huskie Stadium, including last year's win over Illinois State.

**LEADING OFF VS. THE MAC:** NIU opens the season versus a Mid-American Conference opponent for the first time since 1998, a 37-23 loss to Western Michigan, and for the seventh time as a league member. The Huskies are 1-5 all-time when opening against a MAC foe with the lone win a 17-0 decision over WMU in 1985.

**DOGS & BULLS ALL-TIME:** NIU leads the all-time series with Buffalo, 12-1, and has won the last 12 contests, including every game since the Huskies became a Football Bowl Subdivision (then called "Major College") team in 1969 and eight games as league foes. Buffalo won the first game in the series, a 20-7 decision over NIU in DeKalb in 1968. Each of the last two meetings between the teams - and three all-time - has been decided by one point, with NIU claiming a 14-13 win at Buffalo in 2017 and coming back to win the 2018 MAC Championship game, 30-29.

**THE LAST MEETING:** NIU staged a fourth-quarter comeback for the ages in the 2018 MAC Championship Game at Ford Field in Detroit, overcoming a 19-point deficit to claim a 30-29 win. Quarterback Marcus Childers threw for 300 yards and four touchdown passes and hit D.J. Brown with the 35-yard game-winner with 1:09 to play. All-American defensive end made 10 tackles, including 3.5 for loss and recorded a pair of sacks. The win gave NIU its fourth MAC title in eight years.

**MAC OPENERS:** The Huskies are 17-18 in conference opening games all-time. After winning three consecutive MAC openers between 2016-18, NIU dropped a 27-20 decision to Ball State at Huskie Stadium in its initial 2019 MAC game.

**MIDWEEK MACTION:** NIU is 23-6 in league games played on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays since 2010, including a 13-4 mark in MAAction home games. Only one of the eight meetings between NIU and Buffalo as league members has been played during November #MAAction; the Huskies defeated UB 41-30 on Nov. 11, 2015 in that Wednesday night ESPNU game.

**HOME SWEET HOME:** With a 71-24 record at home since 2003, NIU has raised its all-time record at Huskie Stadium to 178-107-2 for a .624 all-time winning percentage. During that stretch, the Huskies have had 15 winning records at home and five undefeated seasons in DeKalb (2003, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013).

**LATE START:** With scores and schedules prior to 1922 incomplete, this year's November 4 start is believed to be the latest confirmed opener in school history. Prior to this year, the latest starting date was October 8 in a six-game season in 1927. NIU's latest start to the season was on September 16, 1978.

**HUSKIES IN THE MAC:** After posting a 4-4 mark versus MAC foes in 2019, NIU brings a 156-105-2 all-time mark into MAC play in 2020. The Huskies are 120-60 (.667) in league action since re-joining the MAC in 1997. Since 2010, NIU is 65-15 against the MAC with three undefeated campaigns, two one-loss seasons, six-straight division championships and seven overall during that stretch. The Huskies are in their 35th season as a member of the Mid-American Conference in 2020-21, including an initial stint in the league from 1975-85.

**BEASTS OF THE EAST?:** NIU has won 25 of its last 28 regular season games versus MAC East Division opponents and is 29-4 versus MAC East teams since 2008. Miami and Ohio are the only MAC East foes to defeat the Huskies during that time. The Huskies are 4-3 versus the MAC East in conference title games since 2010, defeating Ohio (2011), Kent State (2012), Bowling Green (2014) and Buffalo (2018), while falling to Miami (2010) and Bowling Green (2013 & 2015).

## NIU vs. the MAC East (since 2008)

Buffalo	6-0	Bowling Green	4-0
Kent State	6-0	Miami	4-2
Akron	5-0	Ohio	3-2

**LEADER OF THE MAC:** NIU has been the winningest team in the Mid-American Conference since 2010 with 91 wins to go with a league-leading .674 winning percentage. The Huskies made seven trips to the conference championship game in the last 10 years (2010-19) and won four MAC titles (2011, 2012, 2014, 2018). Add eight bowl games, and the Huskies have played 131 games since 2010.

## MAC W-L Records Since 2010

Team	W	L
NIU	91	44
Toledo	85	43
Ohio	80	50
Western Michigan	67	60
Bowling Green	58	72
Central Michigan	56	71
Ball State	52	69
Buffalo	53	70
Miami	48	77
Kent State	43	78
Eastern Michigan	40	83
Akron	37	86

**LAND OF LINCOLN LEADERS:** Since 2010, NIU is the winningest football program among the state of Illinois' Division I football programs, and are 1-1 versus its fellow FBS programs with a 2014 win over Northwestern and a 2010 . The Huskies defeated Eastern Illinois in 2017 and 2013 and Northwestern in 2014, while falling to Illinois and Western Illinois in 2010 and 2016, respectively. With eight bowl games and seven MAC Championship game appearances in the last nine years, NIU has also played more games, 123, than any other school in the state.

## Illinois' Division I Schools Since 2010

Team	W	L	Pct.
NIU	91	44	.674
Illinois State	78	48	.619
Northwestern*	73	56	.566
Eastern Illinois	51	66	.436
Southern Illinois	48	64	.429
Western Illinois	49	69	.415
Illinois*	46	79	.368

\*Includes 2020 game

**ONCE A HUSKIE....** In addition to being the school's first African-American head coach, Thomas Hammock is the first NIU graduate to lead his alma mater's football team as an FBS program, and the first overall since Howard Fletcher led the Huskies from 1956-68. Fletcher ranks second on NIU's all-time wins list with a .606 winning percentage after posting a 74-68-1 record in 13 seasons.

**FROM PLAYER TO COACH:** A four-year letterwinner at tailback who earned first team Academic All-American honors from CoSIDA in 2000 and 2001, Thomas Hammock gained 2,423 yards rushing in 32 games in his NIU career, which still ranks 13th all-time in Huskie history. He was a first team All-MAC selection in 2000 and 2001 after back-to-back 1,000-yard campaigns. Hammock's playing career was cut short after the first game of his senior season when he was diagnosed with a heart condition. He was replaced in the line-up by a familiar name, future NFL All-Pro Michael Turner.

**HUSKIE CONNECTIONS:** NIU linebacker Nick Rattin, a Fremd (Illinois) High School product, is at NIU thanks to a connection from head coach Thomas Hammock's Huskie playing days. Fremd High School football coach Lou Sponsel was a fullback for NIU when Hammock arrived in DeKalb as a freshman. When Hammock returned as head coach, he got a call from Sponsel recommending Rattin, who walked on to

## FOLLOW THE HUSKIES

### TV: NIU-BUFFALO ON ESPN2

- The NIU-Buffalo game will air on ESPN2.
- The Huskies make their 36th all-time appearance on ESPN2, the most of any ESPN Network, and are 24-11 in those games.
- Anish Shroff (play-by-play) and Tom Luginbill (color analyst) will be on the call from Charlotte with sideline reporter Taylor McGregor on site.

### RADIO: HUSKIE SPORTS NETWORK

- The Huskie Sports Radio Network broadcast for the Buffalo game begins at 5:30 p.m. CT, 30 minutes before kickoff.
- The game will be carried on NIU network affiliates WLBK AM 1360/FM 98.9 (DeKalb), AM 560 The Answer (Chicago) and Sports Fan Radio AM 1330 (Rockford).
- Hear the broadcast online via NIUTube (subscription), and on mobile devices via TuneIn. Download the app for free and find the NIU Huskies channel.
- Bill Baker begins his 41st season as the radio play-by-play "Voice of the Huskies." Color analyst Mark Lindo joins him for the 35th consecutive season, while Andy Garcia is in his eighth season on the NIU sidelines.

### NIU WEEKLY ON YOUTUBE

- The show features interviews with football coach Thomas Hammock, other NIU coaches and special guests.
- Watch on the NIU Athletics YouTube Channel every Wednesday.
- Andy Garcia and NIU Director of Athletics Sean T. Frazier host the show.

### NIU ATHLETICS ON YOUTUBE

- See weekly and post-game press conferences, video features, highlights of past games and more.
- Subscribe for FREE and click the bell to be notified every time NIU posts a new video.
- Search "NIU Athletics" on YouTube.com to find the channel.

### GETTING SOCIAL

- Twitter: @NIUAthletics, @NIUScores, @NIU\_Football
- Facebook: NIU Huskies, NIU Football
- Instagram: niuhuskies, niufotball
- See NIU Athletics' social media hub online for all the team and staff accounts.

## 2020 MAC PRESEASON POLLS

### MEDIA

#### WEST

Team (First Place Votes)	Pts.
1. Central Michigan (10)	119
2. Toledo (7)	118
3. Ball State (4)	93
4. Western Michigan (3)	89
5. Eastern Michigan	46
6. NIU	39

#### EAST

Team (First Place Votes)	Pts.
1. Buffalo (19)	135
2. Miami (3)	107
3. Ohio (1)	101
4. Kent State (1)	85
5. Bowling Green	50
6. Akron	26

### COACHES

#### WEST

Team (First Place Votes)	Pts.
1. Toledo (4)	54
2. Western Michigan (2)	53
3. Central Michigan (5)	52
4. Ball State (1)	50
5. Eastern Michigan	22
6. NIU	21

#### EAST

Team (First Place Votes)	Pts.
1. Miami (6)	64
2. Buffalo (4)	58
3. Ohio (1)	48
4. Kent State	42
5. Bowling Green	23
6. Akron (1)	17



## 2019 TEAM STATS COMPARISON

Huskies	Category	Bulls
22.8	Points/G	31.4
29 (15-14)	TDs (Rush-Pass)	50 (36-14)
221	First Downs	276
358.7	Total Yards/G	388.5
141.1	Rush Yards/G	250.5
217.6	Pass Yards/G	138.0
19	Turnovers Lost	14
32:45	Time of Possession/G	34:08
32% (57-177)	3rd Down Conversions	45% (87-194)
52% (12-23)	4th Down Conversions	64% (16-25)
39.5	Net Punting Avg.	30.1
11.8	Kickoff Return Avg.	20.1
5.5	Punt Return Avg.	6.7
62-44.9	Penalties-Yards/G	64-44.6
90% (28-31)	Red Zone Scores	91% (50-55)
61% (19-31)	Red Zone TDs	75% (41-55)
28.2	Points Allowed/G	21.3
43 (25-18)	TDs Allowed (Rush-Pass)	33 (15-18)
224	First Downs Allowed	199
386.5	Total Yards/G Allowed	291.9
177.9	Rush Yards/G Allowed	94.2
208.6	Pass Yards/G Allowed	197.7
34% (53-156)	3rd Down Conv. Allowed	33% (60-178)
44% (8-18)	4th Down Conv. Allowed	42% (14-33)
13	Turnovers Gained	22

## BY THE NUMBERS

- .674 Winning percentage for the Huskies since 2010, tops among all Illinois Division I schools
- 0 Worn by linebacker Jordan Cole and quarterback Rodney Thompson
- 2 New assistant coaches on the NIU staff.
- 4 Huskie MAC Championships since 2011
- 8 One possession games for NIU in 2019. The Huskies went 6-2 in those contests
- 14 Returning starters for the Huskies in 2020
- 25 Wins over MAC East foes in 28 games since 2008
- 19 Deficit, in points, overcome by NIU versus Buffalo in the final 26:25 to win its fifth MAC Championship game
- 41.4 School-best career punt average by senior Matt Ference
- 53 Huskies from the state of Illinois on the 2020 roster
- 57 Newcomers on this year's squad
- 117 Seasons of college football played by NIU
- 1,144 Games played all-time by the Huskies
- 2,432 Career rushing yards for head coach Thomas Hammock (1999-2002) to rank 13th at NIU

the NIU program last June (2019), and became a starter midway through the season when injuries hit the linebacking corps. Rattin has since been awarded a scholarship.

**TRADING PLACES:** NIU has a pair of former Buffalo assistant coaches on its staff while the Bulls have two coaches with NIU ties. NIU offensive line coach Darryl Agpalsa joined Thomas Hammock's staff in January 2019 after coaching the line at Buffalo for four seasons (2015-18), including against NIU in the 2018 MAC Championship game. NIU linebackers coach Robert Wimberly spent the 2009 season at Buffalo where he helped recruit Khalil Mack to the school. Buffalo quarterbacks coach and co-offensive coordinator Jim Zebrowski was on Jerry Kill's staff at NIU in 2010. While Buffalo associate head coach and wide receivers coach Rob Ianello did not coach at NIU, his wife, the former Denise Dove, was a three-year starter at point guard for the Huskies and was inducted into the NIU Athletics Hall of Fame in 2013.

**NEW FACES:** The 2020 Huskie coaching staff includes a pair of new faces in Dan Jackson and Nic McKissic-Luke. Dan Jackson took over as NIU's cornerbacks coach after eight seasons at South Dakota State. He also shares special teams coordinator duties with Aaron Wilkins, who moved from cornerbacks to tight ends. Tony Sorrentino went from tight ends to wide receivers for 2020, while McKissic-Luke came on to coach the NIU running backs after four years at Youngstown State.

**NEW NAMES:** With 57 new names on the 2020 NIU roster, including freshmen and transfers, you really can't tell the Huskies without a program this year. The newcomers outnumber the returnees 57-55 with 34 returning letterwinners. Of the 57 new faces, 47 are true freshmen, four come to NIU from the junior college ranks, three are grad transfers and one is an undergrad transfer from a four-year school and two are non-freshmen walk-ons.

**READY TO ROLL:** The Huskie newcomers aren't just here to fill the roster. Five true freshmen, four on defense, are listed as starters with another eight on the two-deep as back-ups. Junior college transfer Erin Collins is slated to start at tailback while DeKalb native Jordan Gandy, a transfer from South Dakota State, fills a number one spot at cornerback. Grad transfers Andrew Haidet (QB, Houston Baptist) and Luke Mallette (TE/FB, Amherst College) are both on the second team.

**WALK-ON U:** Of the 112 players on the Huskies 2020 roster, 43 are currently or began their careers at NIU as walk-ons. The list includes players like senior punter Matt Ference, set to break nearly every NIU career record for punting, and multiple impact players like Nick Rattin and Vinny Labus, fullback Brett Bostad and more. They join a long and distinguished list of NIU players from the past that arrived as walk-ons like 2010 MAC MVP Chad Spann and eight-year NFL veteran Rashaan Melvin.

**SIXTH SENSE:** The Huskies 2020 roster includes a trio of players in their sixth year of college football. Linebacker Kyle Pugh has spent all six seasons at NIU with both his 2017 and 2019 years cut short in the first third of the year due to injury after a redshirt season in 2015. Tight end Daniel Crawford also redshirted in 2015 and then missed the entire 2018 campaign due to a knee injury suffered the previous spring. Quarterback Ross Bowers begins his sixth year and his second at NIU after arriving as a grad transfer last season.

## HUSKIES IN THE PROS

Five Huskies are on active NFL rosters in 2020, led by 49ers safety Jimmie Ward, coming off a Super Bowl season in 2019, and Detroit Lions wide receiver Kenny Golladay and his penchant for big plays. Veteran corner Rashaan Melvin has opted out of the 2020 season, while Tommy Lee Lewis returned to the New Orleans Saints as a member of the practice squad and 2019 NIU senior Jordan Steckler was signed to the Patriots' practice squad on October 27.

### National Football League

Minnesota Vikings	Chad Beebe (WR)
Atlanta Falcons	Christian Blake (WR)
Detroit Lions	Kenny Golladay (WR)
Houston Texans	Max Scharping (OL)
San Francisco 49ers	Jimmie Ward (S)

New Orleans Saints	Tommy Lee Lewis (WR)-PS
New England Patriots	Jordan Steckler (OL)-PS
Jacksonville Jaguars	Rashaan Melvin (CB)-NWT



**'BACKERS BACK:** A year ago, NIU entered preseason camp with three senior linebackers, making the position one of the most experienced and deep on the team. But outside linebacker Lance Deveaux Jr. suffered a season-ending injury during camp and middle linebacker Kyle Pugh went out after game two, leaving Antonio Jones-Davis, who was injured mid-way through the year. Now Deveaux and Pugh are back with 101 and 150 career tackles, respectively.

**43:** That is the total number of yards for the Huskies' leading returning rusher in 2020 after transfers, opt outs and graduation forced a "re-set" of the running backs room. Those departures left Rondarius Gregory, who played in just three games and returns this year as a redshirt freshman, as NIU's only returning rusher with a grand total of nine carries for 43 yards. He gained 36 of those yards on seven carries in the 2019 season finale.

**ON THE VERGE:** Senior punter Matt Ference, whose 41.4 yard punting average currently ranks first on the Huskie career charts, needs 24 punts and 627 yards to add those career records to his résumé. A four-year starter, Ference has punted 234 times for 9,686 yards in 39 games while also serving as NIU's holder. Ference already holds the single season marks for punts and punting yards.

**HONORS CANDIDATE:** In addition to his punting prowess, St. Louis native Matt Ference has been named to the Ray Guy Award Watch List. The honor goes to the top punter in the country. He is also a semifinalist for the William V. Campbell Trophy, the award which recognizes the top football scholar-athlete in the nation and is selected from across every division of college football. Ference, who earned his bachelor's degree in marketing from NIU with a 3.43 GPA, is pursuing his MBA.

**DEGREES IN HAND:** NIU's 2020 roster includes 14 players who have already earned their college degrees, including four who came to NIU as grad transfers.

Player	Pos.	Major/Grad Degree
Erik Abrell	LS	Finance (B.S. & Master's)
Ross Bowers*	QB	Sports Management (M.S.)
Daniel Crawford	TE	Enterprise Software (B.S.) Digital Marketing (M.S.)
Michael DeHaan	TE	Marketing (B.S.) Digital Marketing (M.S.)
Greg DeLuca*	FB	Sport and Exercise Physiology (M.S.)
Lance Deveaux Jr.	LB	Sports Management (M.S.)
Matt Ference	P	Marketing (B.S.) Business Administration (M.B.A.)
Andrew Haidet*	QB	Business Administration (M.B.A.)
Luke Mallette*	TE	Sports Management (M.S.)
Shaquan Oliver	TB	Business Administration (B.S.)
Benn Olson	OG	Engineering Management (B.S.) Industrial and Systems Engineering (M.S.)
Brayden Patton	C	Communications/Media Studies (B.A.) Sports Management (M.S.)
Kyle Pugh	LB	Sports Management (M.S.)
Maximillian Thrower	TE	Advocacy/Public Communications (B.A.) Sports Management (M.S.)

\*Graduate transfer.

**BOWERS IS BACK:** With a year in the Huskie offense under his belt, grad transfer Ross Bowers returns at quarterback for NIU and is in his sixth season in college football overall. In nine games last year, Bowers threw for 2,130 yards on 166-of-278 passing for a 57.8 percent completion rate. His top passing performance came versus Ohio when he completed 23-of-39 passes for 338 yards and a touchdown as NIU upset the Bobcats in Athens on John Richardson's game-winning field goal.

**BRINGING THE JUICE:** With fans in the stadium limited to player familie, NIU Head Coach Thomas Hammock created the "Juice Committee," a group of players, coaches and staff who came up with a series of ideas to amp up the volume during practices and games in 2020.

Several of those ideas have already been implemented. At each practice, one player wears the yellow "Juice" jersey, award to the player who brought the most energy to practice the previous day.

During practices and games, NIU staff will bang a large drum for big plays on offense or defense.

On the sidelines, the Huskie "photo booth" is a spot where players can "pose" and a team photographer will take their picture after touchdowns or turnovers.

Of course, there is the Huskie version of the "turnover chain" with the fumble recoverer or interceptor receiving a dog bone.

**COAST TO COAST:** Thomas Hammock and his staff have put together one of the most geographically diverse rosters NIU has seen in several years with Huskie players hailing from 16 different states and two different countries. Huskie hometowns stretch - literally - from coast to coast with Washington (Ross Bowers), Oregon (Connor Neville) and California (Rodney Thompson) representing the West Coast. There are four Huskies from Hammock's native New Jersey, seven from Florida and two each from Texas and Georgia. Junior college transfer Woodly Appolon hails from Montreal, Canada. Of course the largest representation call the Midwest home, topped by 53 Illinoisans and 16 Wisconsinites. The Huskie roster by the state-by-state numbers:

Illinois .....	53	Georgia .....	2
Wisconsin .....	16	Texas .....	2
Michigan .....	8	California .....	1
Florida .....	7	Oregon .....	1
Indiana .....	4	Nebraska .....	1
New Jersey .....	4	Tennessee .....	1
Iowa .....	4	Washington .....	1
Minnesota .....	3	Montreal, Canada .....	1
Missouri .....	3		

**GAME-WINNERS:** Sophomore kicker John Richardson made a pair of game-winning kicks in three-point Huskie road wins last year. He hit a 37-yard field goal as time expired in NIU's 39-36 win at Ohio and hit a 25-yard three-pointer with 41 seconds to play versus Toledo to give the Huskies a 31-28 win. His makes included a 51-yard field goal at Ohio and field goals of 46 and 45 yards at Utah and Nebraska, respectively. He finished the year 14-of-18 on field goals and 30-for-30 on PATs to lead NIU in scoring with 72 points.

**HUSKIE FAN CUTOUTS:** There may be a familiar face or two among the Huskie Fan Cutouts that will be positioned on the East Side of the stadium. Look for Huskie great Michael Turner, NIU Athletic Director Sean Frazier and NIU President Lisa Freeman, among the many loyal Huskies making their presence known in the stadium.

**WITHOUT FOOTBALL:** Turner, who was inducted into the NIU Athletics Hall of Fame in 2015 and into the MAC Hall of Fame in 2018, was among the Huskie greats who were a part of NIU's "Huskie Replay Series" on NIU Athletics' YouTube Channel. With the prospect of no football this fall, NIU produced replays of three games with commentary from the players interspersed throughout. NIU's 2003 win over Alabama, the 1998 streak-busting Homecoming win over Central Michigan that snapped the school's 23-game losing streak, and a 2002 NIU-Miami match-up featuring Turner and Ben Roethlisberger generated plenty of alumni pride and appreciation for the school's football history.

## CAREER GAMES PLAYED/STARTED

Name, Pos.	Class	GP	GS
Erik Abrell, LS	Jr.-R	23	-
Mark Aitken, CB	Fr.-R	1	1
Brett Bostad, FB	So.-R	11	-
Ross Bowers, QB	Sr.-R	9	8
Jordan Cole, LB	Jr.-R	24	9
Marques Cox, OT	So.-R	12	10
Daniel Crawford, TE	Sr.-R	35	11
Lance Deveau Jr., LB	Sr.-R	33	15
Joshua Earl, S	So.-R	8	1
Leif Engstrand, OT	Fr.-R	1	-
James Ester, DT	Fr.-R	4	-
Matt Ference, P	Sr.	39	-
Rayshawn Gay, LB	Jr.-R	15	-
Rondarius Gregory, RB	Fr.-R	3	-
Jeffrey Griffin Jr., DT	So.-R	10	-
Nathan Harman, LB	So.-R	13	-
J.D. Harris, CB	So.-R	2	-
Cortez Hogans, DE	So.-R	16	-
Michael Kennedy, DE	Jr.-R	20	-
Weston Kramer, DT	Sr.	39	24
Vinny Labus, LB	Jr.-R	26	9
Michael Love, WR	So.	12	-
Zhamaine March, CB	Jr.	20	-
Cam Mattox, DE	So.	7	-
Fabian McCray	Fr.-R	2	-
Jyran Mitchell, TB	So.-R	5	-
Shaquan Oliver, FB	Sr.-R	6	-
Benn Olson, OL	Sr.-R	23	9
Kewan Parker, LB	So.-R	10	-
Brayden Patton, OL	Sr.-R	29	19
Leon Payne, WR	So.-R	4	1
Nolan Potter, OT	So.-R	12	-
Kyle Pugh, LB	Sr.-R	29	19
Nick Rattin, LB	So.	12	6
John Richardson, K	So.-R	15	-
Tyrice Richie, WR	Sr.-R	11	6
Dennis Robinson, WR	Jr.-R	26	7
Liam Soraghan, TE	Jr.-R	13	-
Demond Taylor Jr., DT	Fr.-R	4	-
Tristen Tewes, LB	Fr.-R	4	-
Dillon Thomas, S	Jr.-R	26	3
Maximillian Thrower, TE	Sr.-R	7	-
Mohamed Toure, WR	Fr.-R	4	-
Messiah Travis, WR	Fr.-R	4	-
Cole Tucker, WR	Jr.-R	26	16
Cole Webster, OL	Sr.	1	-
Caleb Wright, DL	So.-R	1	-
*Logan Zschernitz, OG	Fr.-R	4	2

## NIU Head Coach Thomas Hammock

Thomas Hammock, a former Huskie student-athlete and assistant coach, returned home to Northern Illinois University as the 23rd head coach in the history of NIU football on Jan. 18, 2019. One of the top football student-athletes in school history, Hammock was named NIU head coach after five seasons (2014-18) as an assistant coach with the Baltimore Ravens.

He is the first African-American head coach in NIU football history and is the first alumnus to lead the Huskies as a Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) program.

In his first season as head coach in 2019, he led NIU to a 5-7 record with a 3-3 mark in one-score games.

Hammock, whose NIU playing career was cut short in his junior season due to a heart condition, began his coaching career after a brief stint in the business world. He spent two seasons at Wisconsin as a graduate assistant, followed by two seasons as an assistant at NIU under Huskie Hall of Famer Joe Novak (2005-06). Hammock then served as an assistant at Minnesota and Wisconsin before joining the Ravens in 2014.

In five seasons as the running backs coach with the Ravens, Hammock helped Baltimore's rushing attack finish in the top 11 in the NFL three times, including in 2018 when the Ravens had the second-best rushing offense in the league, averaging 152.6 yards per game. The Ravens made the playoffs twice in Hammock's time in Baltimore.

Hammock helped mentor running back Justin Forsett to his first career Pro Bowl in 2014 as he rushed for a career-high 1,266 yards, fifth-most in the NFL. Baltimore fullback Kyle Juszczyk was selected to the Pro Bowl for the first time in 2016 after he led the NFL in catches (37) and receiving yards (266) by a fullback.

Prior to his five seasons in Baltimore, Hammock spent three years at the University of Wisconsin, where he was the running backs coach and assistant head coach. In Hammock's first season in Madison in 2011, the Badgers ranked 11th nationally in rushing, averaging 235.6 yards per game. Montee Ball led the nation in rushing yards (1,923) and broke Barry Sanders' single-season NCAA touchdown record with 39 scores, 33 rushing. Ball was a consensus first team All-American and a Heisman Trophy finalist for the Badgers, who finished 11-3 and played in the Rose Bowl.

The following season, Wisconsin once again ranked among the nation's elite rushing teams and Ball became the NCAA's all-time leader in rushing touchdowns and won the Doak Walker Award as the nation's top running back.

A two-time CoSIDA Academic All-American at running back during his playing days, Hammock returned to DeKalb as an assistant coach in 2005-06. In his first season, NIU Hall of Famer Garrett Wolfe rushed for 1,580 yards and 16 touchdowns in just nine games as NIU won the MAC West Division and appeared in the MAC Championship Game for the first time.

During the 2006 campaign, Wolfe rushed for an NCAA-best 1,928 yards as the Huskies reached the Poinsettia Bowl. Hammock helped Wolfe earn All-America and first team All-MAC honors in both 2005 and 2006. Wolfe was also the Vern Smith Leadership Award winner as the MAC's Most Valuable Player in 2006.

Following his two seasons with the Huskies, Hammock spent four years as the running backs coach at the University of Minnesota (2007-10), helping the Golden Gophers to the Insight Bowl in both 2008 and 2009. Hammock was named the co-offensive coordinator at Minnesota for the 2010 season and the Gophers moved up 26 spots nationally in rushing and 34 spots in total offense.

Hammock, a New Jersey native who grew up in Ft. Wayne, Ind., earned his bachelor's degree in marketing from NIU in December 2002, and a master's in educational leadership and policy analysis from Wisconsin in 2004. He and his wife, Cheyennitha, also a NIU alum, have a daughter, Tierra, and a son, Thomas Douglas.



## 2020 HUSKIE COACHING STAFF

Assoc. HC/Def. Coord./Safeties.....	Derrick Jackson.....	Coaches' Booth
Offensive Coord./Quarterbacks.....	Eric Eidsness.....	Coaches' Booth
Exec. Asst. Coach/Co-Def. Coord./LBs.....	Robert Wimberly.....	Field
Offensive Line.....	Daryl Agpalsa.....	Field
Defensive Line/Recruiting Coord.....	Jordan Gigli.....	Field
Cornerbacks/Co-Spec. Teams Coord.....	Dan Jackson.....	Field
Running Backs.....	Nic McKissic-Luke.....	Field
Defensive Ends.....	Travis Moore.....	Field
Wide Receivers.....	Tony Sorrentino.....	Field
Tight Ends/Co-Spec. Teams Coord.....	Aaron Wilkins.....	Coaches' Booth
Director of Sports Performance (FB).....	Juney Barnett.....	Field



## BUFFALO BULLS

2019 Record .....	8-5
Mid-American Conference Record/Finish.....	5-3/T2nd
Head Coach (Alma Mater/Year) .....	Lance Leipold (Wisconsin-Whitewater/1987)
Record at Buffalo/Years .....	23-25/Fourth
Career Record/Years .....	133-31/12th
Location.....	Buffalo, N.Y.
Enrollment.....	29,850
Conference.....	Mid-American, East Division (MAC)
Colors.....	Blue and White
Stadium.....	UB Stadium
Surface/Capacity.....	A-Titan Turf /30,270
President.....	Satish K. Tripathi
Athletic Director .....	Mark Alnutt
Athletics Website.....	ubbulls.com
Twitter.....	@UBFootball
Ticket Information.....	877-UB-THERE

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## 2020 BUFFALO SCHEDULE

Day, Date	Opponent (TV)	Time (CT)
Wed., Nov. 4	at NIU*	6 p.m.
Tue., Nov. 10	Miami (OH)*	TBA
Tue., Nov. 17	at Bowling Green*	TBA
Sat., Nov. 28	Kent State*	TBA
Sat., Dec. 5	at Ohio*	TBA
Sat., Dec. 12	Akron*	TBA
Fri., Dec. 18	MAC Championship Game	TBA

\*-Mid-American Conference Game

## NIU-BUFFALO SERIES HISTORY

Overall .....	NIU leads 12-1
In Buffalo .....	NIU leads 5-0
In DeKalb .....	NIU leads 6-1
Neutral Site.....	NIU leads 1-0
In MAC Games.....	NIU leads 8-0
Streak.....	NIU, 12
First Meeting .....	Nov. 9, 1968; UB 20, NIU 7 (H)
Last Meeting .....	Nov. 30, 2018 NIU 30, UB 29 (N)
Series History .....	(*MAC Game):

1968: UB 20, NIU 7 (H)	2011: NIU 31, UB 30 (A)*
1970: NIU 43, UB 26 (H)	2012: NIU 45, UB 3 (H)*
1999: NIU 45, UB 21 (A)	2015: NIU 41, UB 30 (A)*
2000: NIU 73, UB 10 (H)	2016: NIU 44, UB 7 (H)*
2003: NIU 40, UB 9 (A)	2017: NIU 14, UB 13 (A)*
2006: NIU 31, UB 13 (H)*	2018: NIU 30, UB 29 (N)*
2010: NIU 45, UB 14 (H)*	

## THE LAST MEETING

### NIU 30, Buffalo 29

Nov. 30, 2018

Detroit, Mich. | Ford Field

Trailing by as many as 19 points late in the third quarter, the NIU Huskies rallied to win the Mid-American Conference Championship game over Buffalo, 30-29, on Friday night at Ford Field. NIU took its first lead of the game with 1:09 to play as the Huskies captured their fourth MAC title in eight seasons.

NIU scored the final 20 points of the game, culminating in a 35-yard touchdown pass from sophomore Marcus Childers to senior D.J. Brown as the Huskies completed the comeback.

Childers finished the game 21-of-33 passing for a career high 300 yards and four touchdowns while also gaining 58 yards on 15 carries, and was named the game's Offensive MVP. Junior Sutton Smith was named the MAC Championship Game Defensive MVP after finishing with 10 tackles, including a pair of sacks and 3.5 tackles for loss.

Trailing 29-10 late in the third quarter, Childers hit Brown for their first touchdown connection of the night, a 28-yard score, as the Huskies pulled within a dozen with 17 seconds left in the third. NIU had to go just 34 yards on the drive as back-to-back sacks from senior Josh Corcoran had pushed Buffalo back to its own 5-yard line on the previous drive.

The NIU defense, which allowed just 46 yards in the fourth quarter, came up with a three-and-out to give the ball right back to the offense, which needed just four plays to score again.

Junior Spencer Tears hauled in a 32-yard touchdown pass from Childers, his second touchdown grab of the night, as NIU cut the Buffalo lead to 29-24 with 12:51 to play. On the first play of the drive, Childers found redshirt freshman Cole Tucker for 19 yards to ignite the drive. Three plays later, the Huskie signal caller found Tears down the left sideline for the score.

Tears had six catches for 73 yards and two touchdowns in the contest.

Following a pair of punts by Buffalo and one by NIU, the Huskies got the ball back with 3:20 to play at their own 30-yard line.

Facing third-and-10 at the NIU 42, Childers found junior Marcus Jones for 12 yards to keep the drive alive. After an 11-yard connection to junior Mitchell Brinkman for another first down, Childers looked to Brown down the right side and the senior hauled in a 35-yard score as NIU took its first lead, 30-29, with 1:09 to play.

Needing to go 75 yards in 69 seconds, Buffalo picked up a pair of first downs and reached the NIU 41, but the Huskie defense forced four-straight incompletions as the Bulls turned the ball over on downs and NIU claimed its fifth MAC Championship.

SCORING BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Total
NIU	0	10	7	13	30
Buffalo	7	15	7	0	29

### SCORING SUMMARY

UB - Marks 3 run (McNulty kick), 1st 6:38 (13-94, 5:39)  
 UB - Johnson 13 pass from Jackson (McNulty kick failed), 2nd 14:55 (11-94, 5:00)  
 NIU - Tears 13 pass from Childers (Gantz kick), 2nd 9:51 (12-75, 5:04)  
 UB - Johnson 26 pass from Jackson (Jackson pass failed), 2nd 5:41 (9-75, 4:10)  
 NIU - Gantz 39 FG, 2nd 1:42 (12-53, 3:59)  
 UB - Mitcheson 24 FG, 2nd 0:03 (8-70, 1:34)  
 UB - Patterson 9 run (Mitcheson kick), 3rd 11:25 (8-75, 3:35)  
 NIU - Brown 28 pass from Childers (Gantz kick), 3rd 0:17 (5-34, 1:41)  
 NIU - Tears 32 pass from Childers (Gantz kick), 4th 12:51 (4-63, 1:17)  
 NIU - Brown 35 pass from Childers (Childers pass failed), 4th 1:09 (8-70, 2:11)

### Team & Individual Statistics

NIU	UB
First Downs (R-P)	23 (9-14).....26 (11-10)
Rushes-Net Yards	34-109.....42-142
Passing Yards	300.....252
Passes (C-A-I)	21-33-1.....18-35-0
Plays-Total Yards	67-409.....77-394
Fumbles-Lost	0-0.....0-0
Penalties-Yards	7-91.....3-20
Kickoff Returns-Yds	1-16.....3-62
Punt Returns-Yds	1-4.....0-0
3rd Down Conversions	5-13.....7-15
4th Down Conversions	3-3.....1-2
Punts-Average	4-38.2.....5-41.8
Possession Time	24:55.....35:05
Sacks By-Yards	4-37.....4-22
Red Zone Scores-Chances	2-2.....4-4

**Rushing - NIU:** Childers 15-58, Harbison 11-35, Nettles 4-19, Brown 1-4, Team 1-(-3), Jones 2-(-4). **UB:** Marks 17-72, Patterson 18-72, Jackson 7-(-2).  
**Passing - NIU:** Childers 21-33-1, 300; **UB:** Jackson 18-35-0, 252.  
**Receiving - NIU:** Tears 6-73, Brown 4-84, Brinkman 3-42, Wesley 2-42, Tucker 2-30, Robinson 2-16, Jones 1-12, Harmston 1-1. **UB:** Johnson 7-124, Osborn 3-66, Patterson 2-19, Lefebvre 2-14, Marks 2-13, Jones 1-8, Mabry 1-8.  
**Tackles - NIU:** Jones 15, Smith 10; **UB:** Hodge 9, Patterson 7.

## NIU PLAYERS TO WATCH

## 12 ROSS BOWERS

QB | 6-2 | 200 | Sr.-6 | Bothell, Wash. | Bothell HS/Cal

Year	G/GS	Rush	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg	Comp-Att-Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	Lg
2019	9/8	34	-111	-3.3	1	9	166-287-8	58.0	2,130	7	74

• Appeared in nine games, starting eight, in 2019. Amassed a team-high 2,130 yards on 166-of-287 passing with seven touchdowns and eight interceptions. Ranked fourth in the MAC in yards passing per game averaging 236.7 yards a game. Tailed seven 200-yard passing games, including a season-high 338 yards passing on 23-of-39 at Ohio (10-12). Established season-bests in completions (25) and pass attempts at Nebraska (9-14). Recorded his lone rushing touchdown on the year at Utah (9-7) as he flipped into the endzone on a nine-yard carry. Averaged 39.2 yards on four punts, including a season-long 46-yarder at Nebraska.

## 88 DANIEL CRAWFORD

TE | 6-2 | 251 | Sr.-R | Macomb, Ill. | Dakota HS

Year	G/GS	Rcv.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg
2019	11/7	37	443	12.0	2	45
Career	35/11	44	508	11.5	2	45

• Ranked second on the team in receptions (37) and third in receiving yards (443). Tallied a career-high five receptions three times; at Nebraska (9-14), Ball State (10-5) and at Ohio (10-12). Recorded a career-high 85 yards on five receptions against Ball State. Hauled in a career-long 45-yard reception against Illinois State (8-31). Caught two touchdown passes on the season, including his first career TD reception at Toledo (11-13). Made his second touchdown catch in the fourth quarter against Eastern Michigan (11-19).

## 2 LANCE DEVEAUX JR.

LB | 5-10 | 223 | Sr.-R | Pompano Beach, Fla. | St. Thomas Aquinas HS

Year	G/GS	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL	QS	BK
2019				Redshirted			
Career	27/18	25	16	41	9.0	6.0	1

• Missed all of 2019 after suffering a season-ending injury in preseason camp. • In first full season as a starter in 2018, ranked fourth on the team with career-best 67 tackles in 13 games. Had at least one tackle in every game he played that season. Registered season-high seven solo stops vs. Miami (11-14-18). Notched his fifth four-tackle game in the MAC Championship win over Buffalo (11-30-18). Recorded his third consecutive nine-tackle game at Ball State (10-6-18) with two tackles for loss, a sack and a pass break-up. Made nine stops at Florida State (9-22-18) with seven solo, and recorded his first career sack. Made his first career start as a Huskie against Toledo (11-9) in 2016.

## 36 MATT FERENC

P | 5-11 | 186 | Sr. | St. Louis, Mo. | Lafayette HS

Year	G/GS	Punts	Yds.	Avg.	In20	Lg
2019	12/0	65	2,792	43.0	19	63
Career	39/0	169	9,686	41.4	79	70

• Ray Guy Award Watch Lister. NIU's all-time leading punter with a 41.4-yard per punt career average. Averaged 40 yards or more per punt in 10 games, including a career-best 43.0 yards on 65 punts. Landed 19 punts inside the 20-yard line, including a season-high four against Western Michigan (11-26). Boomed a season-best 57-yard punt at Nebraska (9-14), one of a career-high 16 punts of 50 yards or more. Recorded five kickoffs for a 61.0-yard average, both career highs, all against Illinois State (8-31). Tallied eight punts, a season-best, versus Illinois State. Named third team All-MAC by Pro Football Focus (PFF). Earned MAC West Special Teams Player of the Week after averaging 45 yards on seven punts at Central Michigan (11-2). Garnered MAC West Special Teams Player of the Week following a career-best 50.3-yard average against Western Michigan season-best 63-yard punt against Western Michigan. 2019 Academic All-MAC selection. Also serves as NIU's holder on placekicks.

## 55 WESTON KRAMER

DT | 6-1 | 290 | Sr. | Naperville, Ill. | Marmion Academy

Year	G/GS	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL	QS	PBU
2019	12/11	9	14	23	2.5	0	0
Career	39/24	25	32	57	9.5	2.5	2

• Lone returning starting defensive lineman from 2019. Ranked second among interior linemen in tackles with 23 last season. Recorded 2.5 tackles for loss, tallying a half tackle for loss in five different games. Amassed a season-high four tackles, all assists, and a 0.5 TFL at Central Michigan (11-2). Totaled nine solo tackles, including two each at Nebraska (9-14), Ball State (10-5) and Eastern Michigan (11-19). Third-team All-MAC selection by Pro Football Focus.

## 58 BRAYDEN PATTON

C | 6-5 | 304 | Sr.-R | Ellettsville, Ind. | Edgewood HS

• Started every game, nine at right guard, the final three games of 2019 at center. Helped clear the way for NIU's first back-to-back 1,000-yard rusher in six years. NIU averaged 7.2 yards per play and totaled 510 yards of total offense at Ohio (10-12) for the Huskies' first 500-yard game since 2017. Assisted in paving the way to a season-best 274 rushing yards vs. Akron (10-26). The Huskie offensive line did not allow a sack and rushed for 232 rushing yards at Toledo (11-13).



## NIU PLAYERS TO WATCH

## 11 KYLE PUGH

LB | 6-0 | 220 | Sr.-6 | Chicago Heights, Ill. | Bloom Township HS

- Started the first two games of 2019 at linebacker before suffering a season-ending injury.

Made five tackles, including 1.5 tackles for loss, in the season opener against Illinois State (8-31).

Recorded 1.5 tackles for loss at Utah (9-7) and four total tackles. Earned second team All-MAC honors in 2018 and ranked second on the team in tackles with a career-best 106 despite playing through injury much of the season. Made a career-best 17 tackles against Boston College (9-1) in the 2017 season opener and recorded his first career interception in that contest.

Year	G/GS	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL	QS	FF-FR	PD
2019	2/2	4	5	9	3.0	0.0	0-2	2
Career	29/19	82	68	150	9.0	1.5	0-2	4

## 38 NICK RATTIN

MLB | 6-2 | 222 | So. | Palatine, Ill. | Fremd

- Pressed into the starting role when all three of NIU's linebackers were lost to injury mid-way through the 2019 season.
- Played in all 12 games, starting each of the final six contests. Made his Huskie debut in the season opener versus Illinois State (8-31). Recorded his first career tackle at Utah (9-7). Made eight tackles in his first career start at Miami (10-19), adding a pass breakup. Returned an interception 31 yards for a touchdown versus Akron (10-26). Tallied a career-high 10 tackles at Central Michigan (11-2). Posted five tackles against Western Michigan (11-26).

Year	G/GS	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL	QS	PBU
2019	12/6	22	15	37	0.0	0	2

## 39 JOHN RICHARDSON

K | 5-11 | 188 | So.-R | Orland Park, Ill. | Brother Rice HS

- Went 14-for-18 on field goals with a long of 51 and a perfect 30-for-30 on PATs. Made his first field goal attempt of the season from 25 yards out in the season opener against Illinois State (8-31). Hit on a 46-yard field goal at Utah (9-7). Connected on a pair of field goal attempts at Nebraska (9-14), including a 45-yard attempt. Named MAC West Special Teams Player of the Week after making a game-winning 37-yard field goal as time expired in NIU's 39-36 win at Ohio (10-12). Also made a career-best 51-yard field goal in the first quarter against the Bobcats, the longest field goal by an NIU kicker since 2015. Perfect on all seven point after touchdown attempts against Akron (10-26). Earned MAC West Special Teams Player of the Week honors after he made his second game-winning field goal of the season with a 25-yard kick with 41 seconds left in the Huskies' 31-28 win at Toledo (11-13). He also made all four of his PAT attempts.

Year	G/GS	FG-FGA	Lg	XP-XPA	Pts	KO	Avg.
2019	12/0	14-18	51	30-30	72	51	58.9
Career	15/0	14-18	51	30-30	72	75	60.0

## 3 TYRICE RICHIE

WR | 6-0 | 193 | Sr. | Chicago, Ill. | Homewood-Flossmoor HS/Dodge City [Kansas] CC

- Caught 32 passes for 415 yards and a team-high four touchdowns in 2019. Tallied a season-high six receptions at Toledo (11-13) for 54 yards. Amassed 102 yards and two touchdowns, both career bests, on three receptions in season opener versus Illinois State (8-31); scoring on a 22-yard pass in the third quarter and a 68-yard pass early in the fourth quarter for NIU's first two touchdowns of the season. Recorded five receptions for 42 yards at Utah (9-7). Also had five receptions against Ball State (10-5) for 30 yards. Caught a 30-yard touchdown pass at Ohio (10-12). Recorded his longest reception of the season on a 71-yard touchdown catch against Western Michigan (11-26). Added 35 yards rushing on five carries.

Year	G/GS	Rcv.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg
2019	11/6	32	415	13.0	4	71

## 15 DILLON THOMAS

CB | 6-2 | 188 | Jr.-R | Kansas City, Mo. | Park Hill South HS

- Saw action in all 12 games on defense in 2019, making 38 tackles. Started the final three games of the season at cornerback. Amassed a career-high 12 tackles and two pass breakups in first start of the season at Toledo (11-13). Recorded 10 tackles against Eastern Michigan (11-19). Forced a fumble and made three tackles against Western Michigan (11-26).

Year	G/GS	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL	INT	PBU
2019	12/3	29	9	38	0.0	0	4
Career	26/3	31	10	41	0.0	0	4

## 18 COLE TUCKER

WR | 6-2 | 198 | Jr.-R | DeKalb, Ill. | DeKalb HS

- Led NIU with 38 receptions and 531 receiving yards in 2019. Recorded five catches for 50 yards at Nebraska (9-14). Caught four passes for 69 yards against Ball State (10-5). Established career-highs in receptions (8) and receiving yards (118) at Ohio (10-12). Scored his lone touchdown of the season on a 10-yard pass in the fourth quarter at Miami (10-19); finished the game with six receptions for 82 yards. Tallied three receptions for 75 yards at Central Michigan (11-2), with a career long reception of 49 yards.

Year	G/GS	Rcv.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lg
2019	12/10	38	531	14.0	1	49
Career	26/16	56	531	12.3	1	49

# NIU FOOTBALL 2019 FINAL STATISTICS

## TEAM STATISTICS

	NIU	OPP
SCORING	274	338
Points Per Game	22.8	28.2
Points Off Turnovers	42	69
FIRST DOWNS	221	224
Rushing	91	101
Passing	114	103
Penalty	16	20
RUSHING YARDAGE	1693	2135
Yards gained rushing	2051	2402
Yards lost rushing	358	267
Rushing Attempts	454	431
Average Per Rush	3.7	5.0
Average Per Game	141.1	177.9
TDs Rushing	15	25
PASSING YARDAGE	2611	2503
Comp-Att-Int	215-370-11	195-332-4
Average Per Pass	7.1	7.5
Average Per Catch	12.1	12.8
Average Per Game	217.6	208.6
TDs Passing	14	18
TOTAL OFFENSE	4304	4638
Total Plays	824	763
Average Per Play	5.2	6.1
Average Per Game	358.7	386.5
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	12-141	30-709
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	15-83	19-123
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	4-103	11-248
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	11.8	23.6
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	5.5	6.5
INT RETURN AVERAGE	25.8	22.5
FUMBLES-LOST	19-8	23-9
PENALTIES-Yards	62-539	56-541
Average Per Game	44.9	45.1
PUNTS-Yards	70-2949	59-2520
Average Per Punt	42.1	42.7
Net punt average	39.5	39.6
KICKOFFS-Yards	56-3310	68-3577
Average Per Kick	59.1	52.6
Net kick average	38.0	41.7
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	32:45	27:15
3RD-DOWN Conversions	57/177	53/156
3rd-Down Pct	32%	34%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	12/23	8/18
4th-Down Pct	52%	44%
SACKS BY-Yards	14-99	23-164
MISC YARDS	68	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	33	43
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	14-18	12-21
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-2	0-0
RED-ZONE SCORES	(28-31) 90%	(39-48) 81%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(19-31) 61%	(28-48) 58%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(30-30) 100%	(40-41) 98%
ATTENDANCE	42590	215808
Games/Avg Per Game	5/8518	7/30830
Neutral Site Games		0/0

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
NIU	57	67	70	80	274
Opponents	66	92	80	100	338

## INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING	GP	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Lng	Avg/G
HARBISON, Tre	11	230	1054	33	1021	4.4	8	40	92.8
CHILDERS, Marcus	9	59	419	53	366	6.2	5	70	40.7
NETTLES, Jordan	12	67	317	43	274	4.1	0	34	22.8
JONES, Marcus	12	24	94	7	87	3.6	1	20	7.2
GREGORY, Rondarius	3	9	51	8	43	4.8	0	33	14.3
RICHIE, Tyrice	11	5	36	1	35	7.0	0	13	3.2
VALENTINE, Rahveon	8	6	26	0	26	4.3	0	13	3.2
TEARS, Spencer	12	1	6	0	6	6.0	0	6	0.5
THOMPSON, Anthony	2	1	3	0	3	3.0	0	3	1.5
LOVE, Michael	12	1	-1	0	-1	-1.0	0	6	-0.1
FERENCE, Matt	12	3	2	18	-16	-5.3	0	2	-1.3
Team	8	14	0	40	-40	-2.9	0	0	-5.0
BOWERS, Ross	9	34	44	155	-111	-3.3	1	9	-12.3
Total.....	12	454	2051	358	1693	3.7	15	70	141.1
Opponents.....	12	431	2402	267	2135	5.0	25	75	177.9

PASSING	G	Effic.	C-A-I	Pct.	Yds	TD	Lng	Avg/G
BOWERS, Ross	9	122.66	166-287-8	57.8	2130	7	74	236.7
CHILDERS, Marcus	9	123.92	48-82-3	58.5	474	6	71	52.7
LOVE, Michael	12	488.80	1-1-0	100.0	7	1	7	0.6
Total.....	12	123.93	215-370-11	58.1	2611	14	74	217.6
Opponents.....	12	137.55	195-332-4	58.7	2503	18	47	208.6

RECEIVING	G	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
TUCKER, Cole	12	38	531	14.0	1	49	44.2
CRAWFORD, Daniel	12	37	443	12.0	2	45	36.9
BRINKMAN, Mitchell	12	34	445	13.1	3	48	37.1
RICHIE, Tyrice	11	32	415	13.0	4	71	37.7
TEARS, Spencer	12	23	370	16.1	2	74	30.8
JONES, Marcus	12	15	134	8.9	0	23	11.2
LOVE, Michael	12	13	107	8.2	0	38	8.9
ROBINSON, Dennis	12	8	66	8.2	0	25	5.5
HARBISON, Tre	11	6	47	7.8	0	33	4.3
NETTLES, Jordan	12	4	8	2.0	0	10	0.7
LESCHE, Corey	11	2	29	14.5	1	26	2.6
THROWER, Max	3	1	8	8.0	0	8	2.7
BOSTAD, Brett	11	1	5	5.0	1	5	0.5
VALENTINE, Rahveon	8	1	3	3.0	0	3	0.4
Total.....	12	215	2611	12.1	14	74	217.6
Opponents.....	12	195	2503	12.8	18	47	208.6

TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
BOWERS, Ross	9	321	-111	2130	2019	224.3
HARBISON, Tre	11	230	1021	0	1021	92.8
CHILDERS, Marcus	9	141	366	474	840	93.3
NETTLES, Jordan	12	67	274	0	274	22.8
JONES, Marcus	12	24	87	0	87	7.2
GREGORY, Rondarius	3	9	43	0	43	14.3
RICHIE, Tyrice	11	5	35	0	35	3.2
VALENTINE, Rahveon	8	6	26	0	26	3.2
LOVE, Michael	12	2	-1	7	6	0.5
TEARS, Spencer	12	1	6	0	6	0.5
THOMPSON, Anthony	2	1	3	0	3	1.5
FERENCE, Matt	12	3	-16	0	-16	-1.3
Team	8	14	-40	0	-40	-5.0
Total.....	12	824	1693	2611	4304	358.7
Opponents.....	12	763	2135	2503	4638	386.5

PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
TUCKER, Cole	14	60	4.3	0	13
LESCHE, Corey	1	20	20.0	0	0
BUERGE, Adam	0	3	0.0	1	3
Total.....	15	83	5.5	1	13
Opponents.....	19	123	6.5	0	22

FUMBLE RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
FOSTER, Trayshon	1	2	2.0	1	2
Total.....	1	2	2.0	1	2
Opponents.....	3	9	3.0	0	6

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## 2019 LONG PLAYS

NIU	No.	Long
	41	74 TD, Bowers to Tears at Utah, 9/7
Rushing	11	70 Childers at Ohio, 10/12
Childers	3	70 at Ohio, 10/12
Gregory	1	33 vs. WMU, 11/26
Harbison	5	40 vs. Ball State, 10/5
Nettles	2	34 at Vanderbilt, 9/28
Passing	24	74 TD, Bowers to Tears at Utah, 9/7
by Bowers	20	74 TD, to Tears at Utah, 9/7
by Childers	4	38, to Love at Miami, 10/19
to Brinkman	4	48, from Bowers at Ohio, 10/12
to Crawford	5	45, from Bowers vs Illinois State, 8/31
to Lersch	1	26 at Nebraska, 9/14
to Love	1	38 from Childers at Miami, 10/19
to Richie	3	71 TD, from Childers vs WMU, 11/26
to Robinson	1	25, from Bowers at Ohio, 10/12
to Tears	4	74 TD, from Bowers at Utah, 9/7
to Tucker	4	49, from Bowers at CMU, 11/2
Returns	6	60 FG BLK Cole vs. WMU, 11/26
Cole	1	50 FG BLK vs. WMU, 11/26
Jones	1	27 KOR vs. Illinois State, 8/31
McKie	1	32 INT TD vs. Illinois State, 8/31
Haney	2	41 INT vs. Akron, 10/26
Rattin	1	31 INT TD vs. Akron, 10/26
OPPONENT	53	86 KOR Thomas, Miami, 10/19
Rushing	14	71 Lewis, CMU, 11/2
Passing	26	47 TD, Rourke to Hooks, Ohio, 10/12
Returns	13	56 KOR Brown, CMU, 11/2

\* 25 Yards or Longer

INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
MCKIE, Jalen	1	32	32.0	1	32
RATTIN, Nick	1	31	31.0	1	31
JONES-DAVIS, Antonio	1	0	0.0	0	0
HANEY, Devin	1	40	40.0	0	40
Total.....	4	103	25.8	2	40
Opponents.....	11	248	22.5	0	48

KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
JONES, Marcus	7	105	15.0	0	27
LOVE, Michael	3	13	4.3	0	8
TUCKER, Cole	1	17	17.0	0	17
BOSTAD, Brett	1	6	6.0	0	6
Total.....	12	141	11.8	0	27
Opponents.....	30	709	23.6	0	86

PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	50+	Blkd
ERENCE, Matt	65	2792	43.0	63	3	16	19	16	0
BOWERS, Ross	4	157	39.2	46	0	0	4	0	0
Team	1	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total.....	70	2949	42.1	63	3	16	23	16	1
Opponents.....	59	2520	42.7	67	5	27	21	13	1

KICKOFFS	No.	Yds	Avg	TB	OB	Retn	Net	YdLn
RICHARDSON, John	51	3005	58.9	19	3			
ERENCE, Matt	5	305	61.0	0	1			
Total.....	56	3310	59.1	19	4	709	38.0	27
Opponents.....	68	3577	52.6	24	3	141	41.7	23

FIELD GOALS	FG-FGA	Pct	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89	90-99	LgBlk
RICHARDSON, John	14-18	77.8	0-0	5-5	5-6	3-5	1-2	51	0			0

FG SEQUENCE	NIU	Opponents
Illinois State	(25),36	(32)
Utah	(46)	-
Nebraska	(45),(27)	(36),37,32
Vanderbilt	(39)	(28)
Ball State	(24),(38)	(24),52,(25),(42),(22)
Ohio	(51),44,49,(37)	-
Miami	(25),50	30,(34),(37)
Akron	-	-
Central Michigan	(33)	(32),42,43,29,(31)
Toledo	(25)	-
Eastern Michigan	(34)	(27)
Western Michigan	(44)	34,46

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

	TD	FGs	Kick	Rush	PATs	Rcv	Pass	DXP	Saf	Pts.
RICHARDSON, John	0	14-18	30-30	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	72
HARBISON, Tre	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	48
CHILDERS, Marcus	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	30
RICHIE, Tyrice	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	24
BRINKMAN, Mitchell	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0	0	0	20
TEARS, Spencer	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	12
CRAWFORD, Daniel	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	12
JONES, Marcus	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	6
BUIRGE, Adam	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	6
BOWERS, Ross	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1-3	0	0	0	6
LERSCH, Corey	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	6
RATTIN, Nick	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	6
BOSTAD, Brett	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	6
TUCKER, Cole	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	6
MCKIE, Jalen	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	6
FOSTER, Traysho	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0	6
COLE, Jordan	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	1	2	
Total.....	33	14-18	30-30	0-0	1	1-3	0	1	274	
Opponents.....	43	12-21	40-41	1-1	1	1-1	0	0	338	

ALL PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	Avg/G
HARBISON, Tre	11	1021	47	0	0	0	1068	97.1
TUCKER, Cole	12	0	531	60	17	0	608	50.7
RICHIE, Tyrice	11	35	415	0	0	0	450	40.9
BRINKMAN, Mitch	12	0	445	0	0	0	445	37.1
CRAWFORD, Daniel	12	0	443	0	0	0	443	36.9
TEARS, Spencer	12	6	370	0	0	0	376	31.3
CHILDERS, Marcus	9	366	0	0	0	0	366	40.7
JONES, Marcus	12	87	134	0	105	0	326	27.2
NETTLES, Jordan	12	274	8	0	0	0	282	23.5
LOVE, Michael	12	-1	107	0	13	0	119	9.9
ROBINSON, Dennis	12	0	66	0	0	0	66	5.5
LERSCH, Corey	11	0	29	20	0	0	49	4.5
GREGORY, Rondarius	3	43	0	0	0	0	43	14.3
HANEY, Devin	9	0	0	0	0	40	40	4.4
MCKIE, Jalen	12	0	0	0	0	32	32	2.7
RATTIN, Nick	12	0	0	0	0	31	31	2.6
VALENTINE, Rahveon	8	26	3	0	0	0	29	3.6
BOSTAD, Brett	11	0	5	0	6	0	11	1.0
THROWER, Max	3	0	8	0	0	0	8	2.7
THOMPSON, Anthony	2	3	0	0	0	0	3	1.5
BUIRGE, Adam	12	0	0	3	0	0	3	0.2
ERENCE, Matt	12	-16	0	0	0	0	-16	-1.3
Team	8	-40	0	0	0	0	-40	-5.0
BOWERS, Ross	9	-111	0	0	0	0	-111	-12.3
Total.....	12	1693	2611	83	141	103	4631	385.9
Opponents.....	12	2135	2503	123	709	248	5718	476.5



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		-----Tackles-----				-Sacks-		---Pass Def---		-Fumbles-		Blkd		
		GP	Solo	Ast	Total	TFL/Yds	No-Yds	Int-Yds	BrUp	QBH	FR-Yds	FF	Kick	Safety
8	WILLIAMS, Mykelti	12	50	38	88	4.0-10	.	.	1	.	1-0	1	.	.
50	LABUS, Vinny	12	24	35	59	5.0-16	2.0-11	.	1	2	1-0	.	.	.
4	JONES-DAVIS, Antonio	6	29	22	51	6.0-19	2.0-11	1-0	1	.	.	.	1	.
11	FOSTER, Trayshon	12	23	27	50	2.5-5	.	.	4	.	3-2	.	.	.
23	MCKIE, Jalen	12	32	16	48	2.0-4	.	1-32	10	.	.	.	2	.
7	TERRY, Marshe	12	18	21	39	1.0-2	.	.	.	.	3-0	.	.	.
15	THOMAS, Dillon	12	29	9	38	.	.	.	4	.	.	1	.	.
38	RATTIN, Nick	12	22	15	37	.	.	1-31	1	.	.	.	.	.
45	COLE, Jordan	10	22	15	37	5.5-20	.	.	1	.	.	.	1	1
9	LORBECK, Matt	12	15	19	34	5.5-23	2.0-13	.	1	1	.	3	.	.
98	HEFLIN, Jack	11	14	17	31	8.5-41	3.0-29	.	.	3	.	3	.	.
10	WYNNE, Quintin	10	18	7	25	6.5-19	2.0-11	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
12	HANEY, Devin	9	17	6	23	.	.	1-40	1	.	.	.	.	.
55	KRAMER, Weston	12	9	14	23	2.5-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
99	LEROY, Ben	10	7	16	23	0.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
29	BUIRGE, Adam	12	8	4	12	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
96	KELLY, Marcus	12	6	6	12	3.0-13	1.0-9	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
26	WALKER, Antwain	4	6	5	11	.	.	.	1	.	.	1	.	.
5	KENNEDY, Michael	9	6	3	9	2.0-9	1.0-8	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
3	PUGH, Kyle	2	4	5	9	3.0-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
58	MATTOX, Cam	7	4	4	8	1.0-7	1.0-7	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
91	GRIFFIN, Jeffre	10	3	4	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44	LERSCH, Corey	11	4	2	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
20	MARCH, Zhamaine	9	3	3	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
27	AITKEN, Mark	1	5	.	5	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
21	JONES, Marcus	12	4	.	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
33	EARL, Joshua	8	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
17	GAY, Rayshawn	5	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
24	SMITH, Trequan	7	1	3	4	.	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
95	DENTON, Jawon	6	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
39	RICHARDSON, John	12	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TM	Team	8	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
51	HARMAN, Nathan	12	.	3	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
37	STARKS, Jeron	6	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
36	ERENCE, Matt	12	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
31	CLARK, Justin	1	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
18	PARKER, Kewan	6	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
97	TAYLOR, Demond	4	.	2	2	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
25	HOGANS, Cortez	2	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
65	VELOZ, Nathan	11	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
94	ESTER, James	4	2	.	2	2.0-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
70	COX, Marques	12	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
92	TAYLOR, A.J.	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
17	ROBINSON, Dennis	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
58	PATTON, Brayden	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
13	BONDS, Joseph	4	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	RICHIE, Tyrice	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
17	TRIEB, Tom	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
1F	CHILDERS, Marcus	9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
Total.....		12	406	338	744	61-206	14-99	4-103	28	12	9-2	10	5	1
Opponents.....		12	413	410	823	80.0-350	23-164	11-248	59	21	8-9	10	1	.

# NIU FOOTBALL 2019 PARTICIPATION

No.	Name	GP/GS	Illinois St.	Utah	Nebraska	Vanderbilt	Ball St.	Ohio	Miami	Akron	CMU	Toledo	EMU	WMU
93	ABRELL, Erik	12/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
27	AITKEN, Mark	1/1	CB	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13	BONDS, Joseph	4/-	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	X	-	X	-	-
3B	BOSTAD, Brett	11/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	X	X
1C	BOWERS, Ross	9/8	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	QB	-	X	QB	-	-
89	BRINKMAN, Mitch	12/10	TE	TE	X	TE	TE	X	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE	TE
29	BUIRGE, Adam	12/1	X	X	S	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
1F	CHILDERS, Marcus	9/3	-	X	X	-	-	X	X	QB	QB	X	QB	X
31	CLARK, Justin	1/-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45	COLE, Jordan	10/8	LB	LB	LB	LB	X	LB	-	-	X	LB	LB	LB
70	COX, Marques	12/10	LT	X	X	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT
88	CRAWFORD, Danie	12/8	TE	X	X	TE	TE	TE	X	X	TE	TE	TE	TE
95	DENTON, Jawon	6/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-
3E	EARL, Joshua	8/1	-	-	-	-	X	X	X	X	S	X	X	X
75	ENGSTRAND, Leif	1/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-
94	ESTER, James	4/-	-	-	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X
36	ERENCE, Matt	12/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
11	FOSTER, Trayshon	12/11	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	X	S	S	S
57	GAY, Rayshawn	5/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	X	X	X
35	GOSTON, Romel	2/-	-	-	X	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-
2B	GREGORY, Rondarius	3/-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	X
91	GRIFFIN, Jeffre	10/-	X	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	X	-	X	X
63	GUETHS, Ezekiel	2/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	X
12	HANEY, Devin	9/6	X	CB	CB	CB	X	X	CB	CB	CB	-	-	-
22	HARBISON, Tre	11/11	TB	TB	TB	TB	TB	TB	TB	TB	TB	TB	TB	-
51	HARMAN, Nathan	12/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
16	HARRIS, J.D.	2/-	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
98	HEFLIN, Jack	11/11	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	-	DT
25	HOGANS, Cortez	2/-	-	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2C	JONES, Marcus	12/1	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	TB
4	JONES-DAVIS, Antonio	6/6	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	-	-	-	-	-	-
96	KELLY, Marcus	12/1	X	X	X	X	X	X	DT	X	X	X	X	X
5	KENNEDY, Michael	9/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	-	-	X
55	KRAMER, Weston	12/11	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	X	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT	DT
50	LABUS, Vinny	12/8	X	X	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	X	X
99	LEROY, Ben	10/2	X	X	-	-	X	DT	X	X	X	X	DT	X
44	LERSCH, Corey	11/1	X	X	TE	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	X	X
9	LORBECK, Matt	12/12	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE
2	LOVE, Michael	12/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
20	MARCH, Zhamaine	9/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-
5D	MATTOX, Cam	7/-	-	-	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	-	-	-
1A	MCCRAY, Fabian	2/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	X	-	-
23	MCKIE, Jalen	12/12	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB	CB
19	MITCHELL, Jyran	5/-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	X	X	-	-	X
28	NETTLES, Jordan	12/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
46	OLIVER, Shequan	6/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	X	X	X	X
61	OLSON, Benn	10/8	LG	LG	LG	LG	X	LG	LG	LG	LG	-	-	X
18	PARKER, Kewan	6/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-
58	PATTON, Brayden	12/12	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	RG	C	C	C
62	PEREZ, Christop	9/9	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	-	-	-
69	POTTER, Nolan	12/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
3	PUGH, Kyle	2/2	LB	LB	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
38	RATTIN, Nick	12/6	X	X	X	X	X	X	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB	LB
39	RICHARDSON, John	12/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
3A	RICHIE, Tyrice	11/6	X	WR	WR	X	WR	WR	-	WR	X	X	WR	X
40	RILEY, Walter	3/-	-	-	X	X	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-
1H	ROBINSON, Dennis	12/5	WR	X	X	WR	X	WR	WR	X	X	X	X	WR
24	SMITH, Trequan	7/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	X
83	SORAGHAN, Liam	12/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
3D	STARKS, Jeron	6/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-
73	STARR, Andrew	12/3	X	LT	LT	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	LG
72	STECKLER, Jordan	12/12	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT	RT
92	TAYLOR, A.J.	1/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-
97	TAYLOR, Demond	4/-	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14	TEARS, Spencer	12/8	X	WR	WR	WR	WR	X	WR	WR	WR	WR	X	X
7	TERRY, Marshe	12/7	X	X	S	X	S	X	LB	LB	LB	X	LB	LB
82	TEWES, Tristen	4/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	X	X	X
15	THOMAS, Dillon	12/3	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	CB	CB	CB
7A	THOMPSON, Anthony	2/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	-	-	-
87	THROWER, Max	3/-	X	-	-	-	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-
9A	TOURE, Mohamed	4/-	-	X	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X
84	TRAVIS, Messiah	4/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	X	X	X	-
1J	TRIEB, Tom	1/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-
11	TUCKER, Cole	12/10	WR	WR	WR	X	X	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR	WR
30	VALENTINE, Rahveon	8/-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	-
65	VELOZ, Nathan	11/3	X	X	X	X	LG	X	X	X	X	LG	LG	-
26	WALKER, Antwain	4/2	X	-	-	X	CB	CB	-	-	-	-	-	-
54	WARNER, Austin	12/1	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	RG
77	WEBSTER, Cole	1/-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-
8	WILLIAMS, Mykelti	12/11	S	S	X	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
10	WYNN, Quintin	10/10	DE	DE	-	DE	DE	DE	-	DE	DE	DE	DE	DE
76	ZSCHERNITZ, Logan	4/2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	RG	RG	-

X-indicates played; letters indicate position started

# NIU FOOTBALL 2019 STARTERS

## OFFENSIVE STARTERS GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	QB	TB	TE	TE	WR	WR	WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT
Illinois State	Bowers	Harbison	Brinkman	Crawford		Robinson	Tucker	Cox	Olson	Perez	Patton	Steckler
Utah	Bowers	Harbison	Brinkman		Richie	Tears	Tucker	Starr	Olson	Perez	Patton	Steckler
Nebraska	Bowers	Harbison	Lersch		Richie	Tears	Tucker	Starr	Olson	Perez	Patton	Steckler
Vanderbilt	Bowers	Harbison	Brinkman	Crawford	Robinson	Tears		Cox	Olson	Perez	Patton	Steckler
Ball State	Bowers	Harbison	Brinkman	Crawford	Richie	Tears		Cox	Veloz	Perez	Patton	Steckler
Ohio	Bowers	Harbison		Crawford	Richie	Robinson	Tucker	Cox	Olson	Perez	Patton	Steckler
Miami	Bowers	Harbison	Brinkman		Robinson	Tears	Tucker	Cox	Olson	Perez	Patton	Steckler
Akron	Childers	Harbison	Brinkman		Richie	Tears	Tucker	Cox	Olson	Perez	Patton	Steckler
C. Michigan	Childers	Harbison	Brinkman	Crawford		Tears	Tucker	Cox	Olson	Perez	Patton	Steckler
Toledo	Bowers	Harbison	Brinkman	Crawford		Tears	Tucker	Cox	Veloz	Patton	Zschernitz	Steckler
E. Michigan	Childers	Harbison	Brinkman	Crawford	Richie		Tucker	Cox	Veloz	Patton	Zschernitz	Steckler
W. Michigan	Childers	Jones	Brinkman	Crawford		Robinson	Tucker	Cox	Starr	Patton	Warner	Steckler

## DEFENSIVE STARTERS GAME-BY-GAME

Opponent	DE	DT	DT	DE	LB	LB	LB	CB	S	S	S	CB
Illinois State	Lorbeck	Kramer	Heflin	Wynne	Jones-Davis	Pugh	Cole	Aitken	Foster	Williams		McKie
Utah	Lorbeck	Kramer	Heflin	Wynne	Jones-Davis	Pugh	Cole	Haney	Foster	Williams		McKie
Nebraska	Lorbeck	Kramer	Heflin		Jones-Davis	Labus	Cole	Haney	Foster	Terry	Buirge	McKie
Vanderbilt	Lorbeck	Kramer	Heflin	Wynne	Jones-Davis	Labus	Cole	Haney	Foster	Williams		McKie
Ball State	Lorbeck	Kramer	Heflin	Wynne	Jones-Davis	Labus	Terry	A. Walker	Foster	Williams		McKie
Ohio	Lorbeck	Leroy	Heflin	Wynne	Jones-Davis	Labus	Cole	A. Walker	Foster	Williams		McKie
Miami	Lorbeck	Kramer	Heflin	Kelly (DT)	Rattin	Labus		Haney	Foster	Williams	Terry	McKie
Akron	Lorbeck	Kramer	Heflin	Wynne	Rattin	Labus	Terry	Haney	Foster	Williams		McKie
C. Michigan	Lorbeck	Kramer	Heflin	Wynne	Rattin	Labus	Terry	Haney	Earl	Williams		McKie
Toledo	Lorbeck	Kramer	Heflin	Wynne	Rattin	Labus	Cole	Thomas	Foster	Williams		McKie
E. Michigan	Lorbeck	Kramer	Leroy	Wynne	Rattin	Terry	Cole	Thomas	Foster	Williams		Thomas
W. Michigan	Lorbeck	Kramer	Heflin	Wynne	Rattin	Terry	Cole	Thomas	Foster	Williams		McKie



# NIU FOOTBALL 2019 SCORING DRIVES

## NIU SCORING DRIVES

Opponent	Plays	Yds.	Time	Score	Qtr./Time	Play
Illinois State	9	73	4:34	3-0	1/4:19	Richardson 25 FG
Illinois State	9	92	3:12	10-3	3/2:11	Richie 22 TD
Illinois State	1	68	0:11	17-10	4/14:04	Richie 68 TD
Illinois State	0	0	0:00	24-10	4/2:31	Mckie 32 TD
Utah	12	88	6:53	7-0	1/3:18	Bowers 9 TD
Utah	2	75	1:00	14-14	2/7:20	Tears 74 TD
Utah	9	47	1:57	17-21	2/0:51	Richardson 46 FG
Nebraska	8	48	4:22	3-16	2/7:58	Richardson 45 FG
Nebraska	1	(4)	0:06	5-23	2/1:49	Cole 4 S
Nebraska	12	66	5:13	8-44	3/15:00	Richardson 27 FG
Vanderbilt	5	52	2:02	3-14	3/12:51	Richardson 39 FG
Vanderbilt	8	83	3:34	10-14	3/7:01	Brinkman 38 TD
Vanderbilt	6	75	2:02	18-24	4/11:44	Jones 1 TD
Ball State	3	24	1:06	7-0	1/13:45	Harbison 19 TD
Ball State	10	77	3:59	14-0	1/8:36	Harbison 28 TD
Ball State	7	60	2:48	17-3	2/7:09	Richardson 24 FG
Ball State	8	60	1:31	20-27	4/2:45	Richardson 38 FG
Ohio	0	0	0:00	7-0	1/12:53	Buirge 3 TD
Ohio	9	42	2:17	10-7	1/5:49	Richardson 51 FG
Ohio	3	92	1:25	16-21	3/9:44	Harbison 4 TD
Ohio	13	76	5:57	22-21	3/3:13	Harbison 1 TD
Ohio	6	63	2:45	29-21	4/12:08	Richie 30 TD
Ohio	9	75	3:10	36-29	4/5:15	Harbison 3 TD
Ohio	9	56	3:38	39-36	4/0:00	Richardson 37 FG
Miami	11	69	5:17	3-0	1/0:08	Richardson 25 FG
Miami	13	43	6:34	10-0	2/3:08	Childers 1 TD
Miami	8	75	4:26	17-14	3/6:47	Childers 3 TD
Miami	13	75	3:13	24-27	4/2:44	Tucker 10 TD
Akron	14	74	7:02	7-0	1/6:08	Harbison 5 TD
Akron	1	30	0:06	14-0	2/11:39	Harbison 30 TD
Akron	6	38	3:35	21-0	2/5:44	Bostad 5 TD
Akron	0	0	0:00	28-0	3/9:56	Foster 0 TD
Akron	11	70	5:47	35-0	3/3:13	Brinkman 18 TD
Akron	8	48	3:58	42-0	4/13:17	Lersch 3 TD
Akron	0	0	0:00	49-0	4/9:43	Rattin 31 TD
CMU	8	60	3:43	3-14	1/2:51	Richardson 33 FG
CMU	3	75	1:12	10-24	2/10:48	Tears 9 TD
Toledo	7	75	3:09	7-7	1/2:35	Crawford 36 TD
Toledo	6	60	2:45	14-7	2/13:16	Childers 40 TD
Toledo	12	88	6:15	21-7	3/6:10	Harbison 1 TD
Toledo	8	65	3:37	28-7	3/1:00	Childers 1 TD
Toledo	13	68	4:26	31-28	4/0:41	Richardson 25 FG
EMU	10	65	5:08	14-7	2/6:33	Childers 8 TD
EMU	8	49	2:58	21-10	3/8:39	Richardson 34 FG
EMU	15	75	8:41	45-17	4/0:52	Crawford 9 TD
WMU	5	24	2:11	3-0	1/0:23	Richardson 44 FG
WMU	1	71	0:16	10-0	2/2:15	Richie 71 TD
WMU	5	30	2:18	17-7	4/7:47	Brinkman 7 TD

## OPPONENT SCORING DRIVES

Opponent	Plays	Yds.	Time	Score	Qtr./Time	Play
Illinois State	5	17	1:21	3-3	2/2:55	Fenlason 32 FG
Illinois State	5	75	2:42	10-10	3/14:22	Grimes 42 TD
Utah	5	60	1:34	7-7	1/13:41	Simpkins 13 TD
Utah	7	70	3:16	14-7	2/8:20	Huntley 16 TD
Utah	9	75	4:32	21-14	2/2:48	Moss 16 TD
Utah	6	70	2:34	28-17	3/12:16	Moss 5 TD
Utah	1	29	0:27	35-17	4/12:49	Dixon 14 TD
Nebraska	8	58	2:29	3-0	1/12:31	Armstrong 36 FG
Nebraska	1	21	0:07	10-0	1/6:22	Washington 21 TD
Nebraska	4	83	1:11	16-0	2/12:20	Washington 60 TD
Nebraska	4	50	0:39	23-3	2/7:19	Mills 24 TD
Nebraska	5	87	0:39	30-5	2/0:05	Noa 27 TD
Nebraska	7	48	2:42	37-8	3/3:00	Martinez 10 TD
Nebraska	9	42	2:28	44-8	4/4:04	Vedral 3 TD
Vanderbilt	4	80	1:35	7-0	1/13:25	Brooks 61 TD
Vanderbilt	5	31	2:49	14-0	1/8:57	Vaughn 1 TD
Vanderbilt	4	75	1:49	21-10	3/5:12	Lipscomb 38 TD
Vanderbilt	10	44	5:06	24-10	3/13:46	Rice 28 FG
Ball State	14	70	4:47	3-14	2/14:52	Rimmler 24 FG
Ball State	8	37	2:54	6-17	3/6:45	Rimmler 25 FG
Ball State	1	3	0:05	14-17	3/6:01	Huntley 3 TD
Ball State	4	1	1:19	17-17	3/0:26	Rimmler 42 FG
Ball State	1	45	0:09	24-17	4/14:34	Huntley 45 TD
Ball State	7	27	3:49	27-17	4/7:27	Rimmler 22 FG
Ohio	9	75	4:47	7-7	1/8:06	Rourke 8 TD
Ohio	13	59	5:39	14-10	2/12:14	Rourke 2 TD
Ohio	6	30	3:14	21-10	2/3:36	Pleasants 2 TD
Ohio	8	73	3:37	29-29	4/8:25	Luehrman 8 TD
Ohio	4	76	1:32	36-36	4/3:38	Hooks 47 TD
Miami	10	75	2:32	7-10	2/0:36	Bester 1 TD
Miami	8	90	3:41	14-10	3/11:13	Maye 45 TD
Miami	9	62	3:11	21-17	3/3:29	Bester 1 TD
Miami	7	49	2:52	24-17	4/14:21	Sloman 34 FG
Miami	8	51	2:32	27-17	4/5:57	Sloman 37 FG
CMU	7	61	2:48	7-0	1/10:37	Pimpleton 14 TD
CMU	6	78	2:02	14-0	1/6:34	Lazzaro 3 TD
CMU	5	75	2:00	21-3	1/0:51	Lewis 16 TD
CMU	6	22	2:55	24-3	2/12:00	Tice 32 FG
CMU	6	77	2:30	31-10	2/4:59	Poljan 39 TD
CMU	8	66	2:26	38-10	2/0:49	Scott 16 TD
CMU	9	53	4:32	45-10	4/14:20	Ward 3 TD
CMU	7	14	3:56	48-10	4/10:13	Tice 31 FG
Toledo	7	59	2:52	0-7	1/5:44	Maddox 4 TD
Toledo	8	70	2:01	28-14	4/13:55	Mitchell 34 TD
Toledo	2	17	0:37	28-21	4/12:23	Mitchell 13 TD
Toledo	10	91	3:38	28-28	4/5:07	Jones 7 TD
EMU	8	62	4:16	7-0	1/6:56	Glass 1 TD
EMU	7	86	3:09	14-0	2/11:41	Jackson 36 TD
EMU	9	75	3:23	21-7	3/11:37	Vann 8 TD
EMU	2	75	0:22	28-10	3/8:17	Latu 36 TD
EMU	5	29	2:16	31-10	3/2:05	Ryland 27 FG
EMU	1	22	0:05	38-10	3/0:11	Jackson 22 TD
EMU	7	33	4:00	45-10	4/9:33	Grissom 3 TD
WMU	5	81	2:04	7-10	3/12:54	Bellamy 6 TD
WMU	6	75	1:22	14-17	4/6:25	Bellamy 16 TD

# NIU FOOTBALL 2019 TEAM GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Game	Score	---1st Downs---		Rushing No-Yds-TD	-----Passing-----			Total Off. Pl-Yds	Punts No-Avg	Fum No-L	Penalties No-Yds	3rd Downs	Time of Poss
		Total	R-P-Pen		C-A-I	Yds	TD						
(8-31) NIU vs. Illinois State	24 10	17 14	4-12-1 2-8-4	35-90-0 28-51-0	20-33-1 14-32-1	299 187	2 1	68-389 60-238	8-44.5 9-43.8	0-0 1-1	8-86 4-36	3-of-15 1-of-14	31:45 26:46
(9-7) NIU at Utah	17 35	14 19	4-10-0 10-8-1	25-67-1 37-193-4	21-31-1 14-19-0	235 214	1 1	56-302 56-407	6-42.8 4-45.2	1-0 0-0	6-50 1-10	2-of-12 5-of-11	30:26 29:34
(9-14) NIU at Nebraska	8 44	20 22	4-15-1 9-12-1	32-74-0 33-238-4	28-49-1 19-32-0	276 287	0 2	81-350 65-525	7-38.6 3-45.3	1-1 2-1	4-40 1-15	5-of-20 6-of-13	37:58 22:02
(9-28) NIU at Vanderbilt	18 24	20 16	9-8-3 10-5-1	31-108-1 26-184-2	17-32-0 21-28-0	280 189	1 1	63-388 54-373	8-38.1 6-46.7	1-0 1-0	9-74 9-97	4-of-13 3-of-11	31:25 28:35
(10-5) NIU vs. Ball State	20 27	18 20	6-12-0 12-2-6	31-147-2 60-235-2	21-43-1 4-14-1	241 34	0 0	74-388 74-269	7-39.3 7-40.4	4-2 3-1	12-111 4-35	4-of-15 3-of-15	27:58 32:02
(10-12) NIU at Ohio	39 36	22 24	6-15-1 10-12-2	31-169-3 34-178-2	24-40-1 20-33-0	341 260	1 3	71-510 67-438	2-41.0 5-34.8	1-0 0-0	3-11 6-70	10-of-16 6-of-12	28:55 31:05
(10-19) NIU at Miami (Ohio)	24 27	22 14	10-9-3 3-11-0	43-115-2 36-71-2	21-35-0 15-28-0	235 273	1 1	78-350 64-344	5-41.8 5-43.6	0-0 1-0	1-5 5-33	7-of-16 7-of-17	34:56 25:04
(10-26) NIU vs. Akron	49 0	21 7	15-4-2 6-1-0	62-274-2 25-94-0	7-9-0 7-26-2	71 51	3 0	71-345 51-145	5-40.2 8-39.1	2-1 6-1	4-30 7-62	7-of-14 2-of-12	39:25 20:35
(11-2) NIU at Central Michigan	10 48	13 24	2-10-1 13-11-0	25-22-0 50-327-3	19-31-3 18-25-0	229 288	1 3	56-251 75-615	7-45.0 1-33.0	2-1 0-0	1-5 5-53	1-of-12 8-of-15	25:59 34:01
(11-13) NIU at Toledo	31 28	24 24	10-11-3 9-15-0	44-232-3 38-208-1	18-29-0 26-38-0	212 300	1 3	73-444 76-508	4-40.8 2-45.0	1-0 4-2	3-24 7-60	7-of-15 4-of-13	32:44 27:16
(11-19) NIU vs. Eastern Michigan	17 45	21 24	13-7-1 10-10-4	48-238-1 30-193-3	12-26-3 20-24-0	99 235	1 3	74-337 54-428	4-41.0 2-53.0	1-1 1-1	7-63 4-45	6-of-16 4-of-7	35:43 24:17
(11-26) NIU vs. Western Michigan	17 14	9 16	8-1-0 7-8-1	47-157-0 34-163-2	7-12-0 17-33-0	93 185	2 0	59-250 67-348	7-50.3 7-44.6	5-2 4-2	4-40 3-25	1-of-13 4-of-16	34:21 25:39

## — NIU in the Final 2019 NCAA and MAC Rankings —

TEAM CATEGORY	Average/No.	NCAA	MAC	TEAM CATEGORY	Avg./No.	NCAA	MAC
Total Offense	358.7	104	9	Sacks	1.17	122	11
Rushing Offense	141.1	92	9	Tackles for Loss	5.1	103	9
Passing Offense	217.6	79	7	Sacks Allowed	2.00	64	7
Passing Efficiency	123.93	95	8	Tackles for Loss Allowed	6.58	98	10
Completion Percentage	.581	87	7	Fewest Penalties/Game	5.17	29	3
Scoring Offense	22.8	103	10	Fewest Penalty Yards/Game	44.92	24	3
First Downs Offense	221	112	9	Third Down Conversion Pct.	.322	117	11
Red Zone Offense	.903	23	2	Third Down Conv. Pct. Defense	.340	27	3
Total Defense	386.5	63	4	Fourth Down Conversion Pct.	.522	71	7
Rushing Defense	177.9	83	5	Fourth Down Conv. Pct. Defense	.444	37	5
Pass Efficiency Defense	137.55	78	7	Time of Possession	32:45	16	2
Passing Yards Allowed	208.6	39	3	<b>INDIVIDUAL (Top 55)</b>			<b>Avg./No. NCAA MAC</b>
Scoring Defense	28.2	71	5	Ross Bowers, Completions/Game	18.44	48	4
Red Zone Defense	.813	50	2	Ross Bowers, Passing Yards/Game	236.7	41	4
First Downs Defense	224	15	2	Ross Bowers, Passing Yards/Completion	12.83	38	4
Net Punting	39.51	39	3	Adam Buirge, Punt Return TDs	1	3	1
Punt Returns	5.53	97	8	Tre Harbison, Rushing Yards	1,021	51	8
Punt Return Defense	6.47	48	4	Tre Harbison, Rushing Yards/Game	92.8	32	5
Kickoff Returns	11.75	130	12	Marshé Terry, Fumbles Recovered	3	6	1
Kickoff Return Defense	23.63	108	10	Trayshon Foster, Fumbles Recovered	3	6	1
Turnover Margin	-0.50	103	8	Jalen McKie, Blocked Kicks	2	2	1
Turnovers Gained	13	115	10	Jack Heflin, Forced Fumbles	0.27	18	2
Turnovers Lost	19	68	7	Matt Lorbeck, Forced Fumbles	0.25	21	3
Passes Had Intercepted	11	76	8	John Richardson, Field Goals/Game	1.17	55	5
Passes Intercepted	4	127	12	John Richardson, Field Goal Pct.	.778	51	4
Fumbles Lost	8	58	4	Matt Ference, Punting	43.0	43	4
Fumbles Recovered	9	42	5				

# NIU FOOTBALL 2019 FINAL INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME STATS

## RUSHING

No-Yds-TD	Ill. St	Utah	Neb	Vandy	Ball St	Ohio	Miami	Akron	CMU	Toledo	EMU	WMU
Bowers, Ross	5-(-10)-0	7-(-5)-1	4-(-12)-0	4-(-32)	4-(-10)-0	3-(-17)-0	3-4-0	DNP	3-(-26)-0	1-(-3)-0	DNP	DNP
Childers, Marcus	DNP	1-2-0	2-4-0	DNP	DNP	2-75-0	9-27-2	9-36-0	7-19-0	5-57-2	13-92-1	11-54-0
Gregory, Rondarius	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	2-7-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	7-36-0
Harbison, Tre	23-99-0	6-32-0	12-31-0	13-62-0	<b>22-146-2</b>	<b>25-113-3</b>	26-83-0	<b>31-158-2</b>	10-17-0	<b>32-168-1</b>	<b>30-112-0</b>	DNP
Jones, Marcus	2-2-0	1-1-0	0-0-0	2-3-1	1-4-0	0-0-0	1-3-0	1-0-0	2-3-0	1-1-0	4-28-0	9-42-0
Nettles, Jordan	2-2-0	10-37-0	9-43-0	10-64-0	2-(-5)-0	1-(-2)-0	3-0-0	12-71-0	2-6-0	3-13-0	1-6-0	12-39-0
Richie, Tyrice	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-18-0	1-13-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-5-0	0-0-0	1-(-1)-0
Valentine, Rahveon	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-9-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	4-17-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP

## RECEIVING

No-Yds-TD	Ill. St	Utah	Neb	Vandy	Ball St	Ohio	Miami	Akron	CMU	Toledo	EMU	WMU
Bostad, Brett	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-5-1	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0
Brinkman, Mitchell	4-51-0	3-16-0	3-25-0	2-45-1	4-47-0	<b>5-100-0</b>	3-40-0	2-36-1	2-33-0	1-11-0	4-34-0	1-7-1
Crawford, Daniel	3-75-0	3-49-0	5-71-0	3-36-0	5-85-0	5-21-0	3-9-0	0-0-0	3-18-0	3-46-1	2-22-1	2-11-0
Harbison, Tre	1-11-0	1-(-3)-0	1-3-0	1-1-0	1-2-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-33-0	0-0-0	DNP
Jones, Marcus	2-14-0	0-0-0	2-18-0	3-34-0	1-3-0	1-17-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	4-25-0	1-23-0	0-0-0	1-0-0
Lersch, Corey	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-26-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-3-1	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0
Love, Michael	0-0-0	2-5-0	1-(-1)-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-16-0	3-60-0	2-18-0	2-10-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-(-1)-0
Nettles, Jordan	0-0-0	1-(-3)-0	1-10-0	1-(-7)-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-8-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
Richie, Tyrice	<b>3-102-2</b>	5-42-0	3-31-0	1-18-0	5-30-0	2-44-1	DNP	1-9-0	2-6-0	6-54-0	3-8-0	1-71-1
Robinson, Dennis	2-12-0	0-0-0	2-8-0	1-10-0	0-0-0	1-25-0	2-11-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0
Tears, Spencer	1-(-3)-0	<b>5-112-1</b>	3-32-0	<b>3-100-0</b>	1-5-0	0-0-0	4-33-0	0-0-0	3-62-1	0-0-0	2-24-0	1-5-0
Thrower, Max	1-8-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Tucker, Cole	3-29-0	1-17-0	5-50-0	2-43-0	4-69-0	<b>8-118-0</b>	6-82-1	0-0-0	3-75-0	5-37-0	1-11-0	0-0-0
Valentine, Rahveon	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-3-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP

## PASSING (Comp.-Att.-INT, Yards; TD)

Game	Ross Bowers	Marcus Childers
Illinois State	20-33-1, 299; 2	DNP
Utah	20-29-1, 229; 1	1-2-0, 6; 0
Nebraska	25-44-1, 248; 0	3-5-0, 28; 0
Vanderbilt	17-32-0, 280; 1	DNP
Ball State	21-43-1, 241; 0	DNP
Ohio	23-39-1, 338; 1	1-1-0, 3; 0
Miami	7-12-0, 91; 0	14-23-0, 144; 1
Akron	DNP	7-9-0, 71; 3
Central Michigan	18-29-3, 221; 1	1-2-0, 8; 0
Toledo	15-26-0, 183; 1	3-3-0, 29; 0
Eastern Michigan	DNP	12-26-3, 99; 1
Western Michigan	DNP	6-11-0, 86; 1

## PUNT RETURNS (No.-Yards, Long; TD)

Cole Tucker
2-12, 8; 0
0-0, 0; 0
2-5, 4; 0
2-(-6), 0; 0
2-9, 5; 0
0-0, 0; 0
1-4, 4; 1
2-23, 13; 0
0-0, 0; 0
0-0, 0; 0
0-0, 0; 0
3-13, 13; 0

## PUNTING (No.-Average, Inside 20; Long)

Game	Ference	Bowers
Illinois State	9-44.5, 3; 51	0-0-0
Utah	6-42.8, 1; 56	0-0-0
Nebraska	4-45.2, 1; 57	2-44.5, 2; 46
Vanderbilt	7-37.9, 2; 44	1-40.0, 1; 40
Ball State	7-39.3, 2; 49	0-0-0
Ohio	2-41.0, 1; 50	0-0-0
Miami	5-41.8, 2; 56	0-0-0
Akron	5-40.2, 1; 50	DNP
Central Michigan	7-45.0, 1; 53	0-0-0
Toledo	3-45.0, 0; 51	1-28.0, 1; 28
Eastern Michigan	4-41.0, 1; 50	DNP
Western Michigan	7-50.3, 4; 63	DNP

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Punter Matt Ference is poised to break multiple NIU career punting records in 2020.



# NIU FOOTBALL 2019 FINAL INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME STATS

## DEFENSE

Solo-Asst.-Total	IllSt.	Utah	Neb	Vandy	BallSt	Ohio	Miami	Akron	CMU	Toledo	EMU	WMU
Aitken, Mark	5-0-5, PBU	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Buirge, Adam	1-0-1	1-0-1	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	3-2-5	1-0-1	1-1-2, FF	0-0-0	0-1-1
Cole, Jordan	3-0-3	1-3-4	6-3-9 SAF, 2.5TFL	1-2-3 TFL	1-1-2	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	3-1-4 PBU, .5TFL	3-1-4	2-1-3	2-3-5 1.5TFL
Denton, Jawon	0-1-1	0-1-1	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Earl, Joshua	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-2	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0
Ester, James	DNP	DNP	1-0-1	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	1-0-1, TFL	0-0-0
Foster, Trayshon	1-2-3 .5TFL	0-4-4 .5TFL	0-0-0	1-4-5	3-6-9	2-2-4 0.5TFL, 2PBU	4-1-5	1-0-1 FR-TD	4-5-9	0-3-3 FR, PBU	2-0-2 TFL	5-0-5, FR PBU
Gay, Rayshawyn	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	2-1-3	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
Griffin, Jeffrey	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-2-2	DNP	1-1-2	0-0-0	1-0-1	DNP	1-0-1	0-0-0
Haney, Devin	0-0-0	6-3-9	1-1-2	1-0-1	0-0-0	1-0-1, PBU	3-0-3	3-1-4, INT	2-1-3	DNP	DNP	DNP
Harman, Nathan	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-1-1	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
Heflin, Jack	1-3-4 1.5TFL	0-1-1	1-1-2, FF	1-3-4 1.5TFL	3-2-5, QS TFL, FF	0-1-1	1-2-3 1.5TFL	0-0-0	1-1-2	4-2-6, QS 1.5TFL, FF	DNP	2-1-3, QS 1.5TFL
Hogans, Cortez	DNP	0-1-1	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Jones-Davis, Antonio	2-2-4, TFL	2-5-7 .5TFL, PBU	5-0-5, TFL BK-FG	4-2-6, TFL	9-8-17, QS TFL, INT	7-5-12 TFL, QS	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Kelly, Marcus	1-0-1, TFL	1-0-1	0-0-0	2-0-2 QS, TFL	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	1-3-4 .5TFL	0-3-3 0.5TFL	0-0-0	0-0-0
Kennedy, Michael	0-0-0	0-1-1	2-0-2, TFL	1-0-1 PBU	1-0-1	0-0-0	DNP	2-2-4 QS, TFL	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	0-0-0
Kramer, Weston	0-3-3 .5TFL	1-1-2 .5TFL	2-0-2	0-1-1 .5TFL	2-0-2	0-3-3 .5TFL	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-4-4 .5TFL	1-0-1	2-0-2	1-1-2
Labus, Vinny	0-0-0	0-1-1	1-3-4 .5TFL	4-1-5	4-4-8, FR	3-4-7 TFL, QS	4-3-7 TFL, QS	1-2-3, TFL	3-7-10	3-8-11 1.5TFL	1-2-3	0-0-0
LeRoy, Ben	0-2-2	1-0-1	DNP	DNP	1-5-6	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-3-3	3-4-7 .5TFL	0-0-0	1-2-3
Lorbeck, Matt	1-2-3	2-2-4 TFL	1-1-2	0-1-1	3-3-6 FF, .5TFL	2-2-4 .5TFL	1-4-5 .5TFL	1-1-2, QS TFL, PBU	0-1-1	0-1-1	2-1-3	2-0-2, 2FF 2TFL, QS
March, Zhamaine	0-0-0	0-1-1	3-1-4	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Mattox, Cam	DNP	DNP	1-0-1	1-1-2, QS TFL	1-2-3	1-1-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
McKie, Jalen	2-2-4 TFL, INT-TD	1-3-4 PBU	1-0-1 2PBU, 2BK	5-2-7	4-1-5 PBU	5-2-7	1-1-2	0-0-0 PBU	2-1-3 PBU	1-2-3 PBU	4-0-4 TFL, PBU	6-2-8
Parker, Kewan	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Pugh, Kyle	3-2-5 1.5TFL	1-3-4 1.5TFL	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Rattin, Nick	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	5-3-8 PBU	3-2-5 INT-TD	6-4-10	3-3-6	1-0-1	3-2-5
Smith, Trequan	0-1-1	0-1-1	1-1-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0
Taylor, A.J.	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Taylor, Demond	0-0-0	0-2-2 .5TFL	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Terry, Marshé	3-0-3, FR	1-4-5 .5TFL	2-3-5, FR	0-0-0	2-2-4	0-0-0	1-3-4	1-0-1	2-4-6 .5TFL	1-1-2, FR	3-1-4	2-3-5
Thomas, Dillon	0-0-0	0-1-1	1-0-1	0-0-0	1-0-1	2-2-4 2PBU	DNP	1-0-1	3-2-5	9-3-12 2PBU	9-1-10	3-0-3, FF
Walker, Antwain	DNP	DNP	DNP	3-3-6, FF	3-2-5, PBU	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Williams, Mykelti	2-1-3	3-1-4	3-2-5, FF	3-5-8	2-6-8 PBU, 2TFL	6-8-14 0.5TFL	7-3-10 TFL	0-3-3	7-5-12 .5TFL	7-3-10	5-0-5	5-1-6 FR
Wynne, Quintin	1-1-2 QS, TFL	4-0-4, TFL	DNP	0-0-0	0-1-1	2-0-2 TFL	DNP	0-0-0	1-3-4 .5TFL	2-0-2 QS, TFL	3-0-3	5-2-7 2TFL

## THE LAST TIME A HUSKIE TEAM...

### **RECORDED A SHUTOUT – 49-0 vs. Akron (10-26-19)**

HAD AT LEAST 25 FIRST DOWNS – 34 vs. Akron (11-1-18)

HAD AT LEAST 30 FIRST DOWNS – 34 vs. Akron (11-1-18)

HAD AT LEAST 35 FIRST DOWNS – 35 vs. Ball State (10-10-15)

HAD AT LEAST 40 FIRST DOWNS – 43 vs. Ball State (11-15-11)

### **SCORED 40 OR MORE POINTS – 49 vs. Akron (10-26-19)**

### **SCORED 45 OR MORE POINTS – 49 vs. Akron (10-26-19)**

SCORED 50 OR MORE POINTS – 63 vs. Ball State (11-9-17)

SCORED 60 OR MORE POINTS – 63 vs. Ball State (11-9-17)

### **SCORED A SAFETY – at Nebraska on Jordan Cole tackle of RB in end zone (9-14-19)**

### **SCORED TWO OR MORE DEFENSIVE TOUCHDOWNS - 2 (Fumble Recovery in End Zone; INT Return) vs. Akron (10-26-19)**

GAINED 200 OR LESS YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE – 33 vs. Boise State, Poinsettia Bowl (12-23-15)

### **GAINED 500 OR MORE YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE – 510 at Ohio (10-12-19)**

GAINED 600 OR MORE YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE – 653 at Ball State (10-1-16)

### **GAINED 100 OR LESS YARDS RUSHING – 22 at Central Michigan (11-2-19)**

GAINED 300 OR MORE YARDS RUSHING – 338 at Bowling Green (10-21-17)

GAINED 400 OR MORE YARDS RUSHING – 433 vs. Miami (10-18-14)

### **THREW FOR LESS THAN 100 YARDS – 93 vs. Western Michigan (11-26-19)**

### **DID NOT COMMIT A TURNOVER – at Toledo (11-13-19)**

HAD A SUCCESSFUL ON-SIDE KICK – vs. Marshall, Boca Raton Bowl - Tyler Wedel kick/Jamaal Payton recovery (12-23-14)

HAD 40 MINUTES TIME OF POSSESSION – at Purdue, 41:40 (9-19-09)

### **HELD OPPONENT TO 100 YARDS OR LESS RUSHING – 94 yards vs. Akron (10-26-19)**

HELD OPPONENT TO 50 YARDS OR LESS RUSHING – 35 yards vs. Akron (11-1-18)

HELD OPPONENT TO NEGATIVE YARDS RUSHING – (-11) at Miami (10-24-09)

### **HELD OPPONENT TO 100 YARDS OR LESS PASSING – 51 yards vs. Akron (10-26-19)**

### **HELD OPPONENT TO 200 YARDS OR LESS TOTAL OFFENSE – 145 vs. Akron (10-26-19)**

### **HELD OPPONENT TO 150 YARDS OR LESS TOTAL OFFENSE – 145 vs. Akron (10-26-19)**

HELD OPPONENT TO 100 YARDS OR LESS TOTAL OFFENSE – 64 vs. Kent State (10-8-11)

### **HELD AN OPPONENT WITHOUT A TOUCHDOWN – vs. Akron (10-26-19)**

WAS INVOLVED IN AN OVERTIME GAME – W, 26-23, 3OT vs. Eastern Michigan (9-29-18)

## THE LAST TIME A HUSKIE OPPONENT...

HAD 35 MINUTES OF POSSESSION – 35:05, Buffalo, MAC Championship (11-30-18)

RETURNED A KICKOFF FOR A TOUCHDOWN – 96 yards, Juwan Washington of San Diego State (9-30-17)

RETURNED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN – 91 yards, LaVon Brazill of Ohio (11-21-09)

RETURNED AN INTERCEPTION FOR A TOUCHDOWN – 28 yards, Ja'don Rucker-Furlow of Miami (OH) (11-14-18)

RETURNED A FUMBLE FOR A TOUCHDOWN – 60 yards, Dylan Boone of Murray State (9-12-15)

SCORED A SAFETY – Iowa (9-1-18), tackled ballcarrier (Jordan Nettles) in end zone

### **BLOCKED A PUNT – Isaiah Stalbird of Nebraska (9-14-18)**

BLOCKED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Mathew Sexton (block) / Jaron Johnson (recovered ball in end zone) of Eastern Michigan (10-26-17)

BLOCKED A FIELD GOAL – Levi Watson of Eastern Illinois (9-9-17)

BLOCKED A PAT KICK – Elijah Daniel of Murray State (9-12-15)

MISSED A PAT KICK (not blocked) – Alex McNulty of Buffalo, MAC Championship (11-30-18)

SHUT OUT THE HUSKIES – Navy 16, NIU 0 (11-25-08)

### **SHUT OUT THE HUSKIES FOR A HALF – 2nd, Central Michigan (11-2-19)**

### **PASSED FOR 300 OR MORE YARDS – 300, Eli Peters of Toledo (11-13-19)**

PASSED FOR 400 OR MORE YARDS – 450, Jimmy Garoppolo of Eastern Illinois (9-21-13)

### **RUSHED FOR 100 OR MORE YARDS – 128, LeVante Bellamy of Western Michigan (11-26-19)**

RUSHED FOR 200 OR MORE YARDS – 220, Donnel Pumphrey of San Diego State (9-17-16)

### **HAD A RUSH OF 60 YARDS OR LONGER – 75, Kobe Lewis of Central Michigan (11-2-19)**

### **TWO OR MORE PLAYERS RUSHED FOR 100 YARDS – 143, Kobe Lewis and 138, Jonathan Ward of Central Michigan (11-2-19)**

HAD 10 OR MORE RECEPTIONS – 10, Diontae Johnson of Toledo (11-2-17)

### **HAD 100 OR MORE RECEIVING YARDS – 125, Skyy Moore of Western Michigan (11-26-19)**

HAD 200 OR MORE RECEIVING YARDS – 227, Xavier Ubosi of UAB, Cheribundi Boca Raton Bowl (12-18-18)

## THE LAST TIME A HUSKIE PLAYER...

RETURNED THE OPENING KICKOFF FOR A TD – Aregeros Turner (97 yards) vs. Buffalo (10-22-16)

RETURNED A KICKOFF FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Aregeros Turner (97 yards) vs. Buffalo (10-22-16)

RETURNED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN (NOT BLOCKED) – Perez Ashford (44 yards) at Miami (10-24-09)

**RETURNED AN INTERCEPTION FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Nick Rattin (31 yards) vs. Akron (10-26-19)**

RETURNED A FUMBLE FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Sutton Smith (85 yards) vs. Western Michigan (11-20-18);

**Trayshon Foster (0 yards) vs. Akron (10-26-19) - fumble recovery in end zone**

**SCORED A SAFETY – Jordan Cole (tackled RB in end zone) at Nebraska (9-14-19)**

**A NON-QB THREW A TOUCHDOWN PASS – Michael Love (7 yards to Mitchell Brinkman) vs. Western Michigan (11-26-19)**

**A NON-QB COMPLETED A PASS - Michael Love (7 yards to Mitchell Brinkman) vs. Western Michigan (11-26-19)**

**BLOCKED A PUNT – Corey Lersch at Ohio (10-12-19)**

BLOCKED TWO PUNTS IN A GAME – Jordan Delegal (2) at Ball State (11-20-10)

**BLOCKED A PUNT FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Corey Lersch blocked; Adam Buirge scored on a three-yard return at Ohio (10-12-19)**

**BLOCKED A FIELD GOAL – Jordan Cole vs. Western Michigan (11-26-19)**

**BLOCKED A PAT KICK – Jalen McKie at Nebraska (9-14-19)**

CONVERTED A FAKE FG FOR A TOUCHDOWN – Mathew Sims (7-yard rush) vs. Central Michigan (9-29-12)

MISSED A PAT KICK (not blocked) – Christian Hagan at Wyoming (9-3-16)

**CONVERTED A TWO-POINT ATTEMPT – Mitchell Brinkman pass from Ross Bowers vs. Vanderbilt (9-28-19)**

**FAILED TO CONVERT A TWO-POINT ATTEMPT - Ross Bowers, twice (incomplete passes) at Ohio (10-12-19)**

**PASSED FOR 300 OR MORE YARDS – Ross Bowers (338) at Ohio (10-12-19)**

PASSED FOR 400 OR MORE YARDS – Jordan Lynch (407) vs. Toledo (11-14-12)

THREW FOUR OR MORE TD PASSES IN A GAME - Marcus Childers (4) vs. Buffalo, MAC Championships (11-30-18)

THREW FIVE OR MORE TD PASSES IN A GAME – Chandler Harnish (6) at Toledo (11-1-11)

**COMPLETED A 60-YARD PASS – Marcus Childers (71) to Tyrice Richie (TD) vs. Western Michigan (11-26-19)**

**COMPLETED A 70-YARD PASS – Marcus Childers (71) to Tyrice Richie (TD) vs. Western Michigan (11-26-19)**

COMPLETED AN 80-YARD PASS – Daniel Santacaterina (81 yards) to Spencer Tears at San Diego State (9-30-17)

**RUSHED FOR 100 OR MORE YARDS – Tre Harbison (112) vs. Eastern Michigan (11-19-19)**

RUSHED FOR 200 OR MORE YARDS – Jordan Lynch (321) vs. Western Michigan (11-26-13) - *Set NCAA QB RECORD*

RUSHED FOR 300 OR MORE YARDS – Jordan Lynch (321) vs. Western Michigan (11-26-13) - *Set NCAA QB RECORD*

**HAD A RUSH OF 60 YARDS OR LONGER – Marcus Childers (70) at Ohio (10-12-19)**

**HAD A RUSH OF 70 YARDS OR LONGER – Marcus Childers (70) at Ohio (10-12-19)**

HAD A RUSH OF 80 YARDS OR LONGER – Jordan Huff (87) vs. Western Michigan (11-18-15)

**RUSHED FOR 100 YARDS OR MORE IN CONSECUTIVE GAMES – Tre Harbison, 2 games (11-13-19 at Toledo, 11-19-19 vs. EMU)**

RUSHED FOR FOUR OR MORE TOUCHDOWNS IN A GAME – Joel Bouagnon (5) vs. Bowling Green (11-1-16)

**RUSHED FOR TWO OR MORE TDS IN CONSECUTIVE GAMES – Tre Harbison vs. Ball State (2), Ohio (3) - (10-5-19 to 10-12-19)**

TWO PLAYERS RUSHED FOR 100 YARDS IN THE SAME GAME – Tre Harbison (139) and Marcus Jones (103) vs. Toledo (11-7-18)

QB RUSHED FOR 150 YARDS OR MORE – Marcus Childers (169) vs. Ohio (10-13-18)

HAD 10 OR MORE RECEPTIONS – Christian Blake (13) at San Diego State (9-30-17)

**HAD 100 OR MORE RECEIVING YARDS – Cole Tucker (118) at Ohio (10-12-19)**

HAD 200 OR MORE RECEIVING YARDS – Kenny Golladay (213) vs. UNLV (9-5-15)

**CAUGHT TWO OR MORE TOUCHDOWN PASSES IN A GAME – Tyrice Richie (2) vs. Illinois State (8-31-19)**

CAUGHT THREE OR MORE TOUCHDOWN PASSES IN A GAME – Nathan Palmer (3) at Toledo (11-1-11)

HAD 200 RUSHING AND 200 PASSING YARDS IN A GAME – Chandler Harnish (229 rushing/203 passing) vs. Western Michigan (10-15-11)

HAD 100 RUSHING AND 100 RECEIVING YARDS IN A GAME – Garrett Wolfe (171 rushing/114 receiving) at Ohio State (9-2-06)

**SCORED THREE OR MORE TOUCHDOWNS IN A GAME – Tre Harbison (3 rushing) at Ohio (10-12-19)**

HAD TWO OR MORE INTERCEPTIONS IN A GAME – Jalen McKie (2) at Akron (11-1-18)

SCORED A RUSHING AND RECEIVING TD IN A GAME – Jordan Huff (1 rush, 1 receiving) vs. Ball State (11-9-17)

**KICKED A FG OF 50 OR MORE YARDS – 51 yards, John Richardson at Ohio (10-12-19)**

SCORED 15 OR MORE POINTS KICKING – 16, Mathew Sims (16) vs. Kent State (10-8-11)

KICKED FOUR OR MORE FIELD GOALS IN A GAME – Christian Hagan (4) at Toledo (11-3-15)



## NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown (HS/Previous School)
0	Jordan Cole	LB	6-2	223	Jr.-R	2L	Ferguson, Mo. (McCluer South-Berkeley)
0	Rodney Thompson	QB	5-11	200	So.-R	TR	San Diego, Calif. (Saint Augustine/Palomar JC/ Northern Arizona)
2	Lance Deveaux Jr.	LB	5-10	223	Sr.-R	3L	Pompano Beach, Fla. (St. Thomas Aquinas)
2	Michael Love	WR	5-9	177	So.	1L	LaGrange Park, Ill. (Nazareth Academy)
3	Devin Lafayette	S	6-2	191	Fr.	HS	Brunswick, Ga. (Brunswick)
3	Tyrice Richie	WR	6-0	193	Sr.-R	1L	Chicago, Ill. (Homewood-Flossmoor/Dodge City [KS] CC)
4	Dustin Fletcher	QB	6-3	220	Fr.	HS	Flint, Mich. (Carmen-Ainsworth)
4	Raishein Thomas	DE	6-4	257	Fr.	HS	Racine, Wis. (Washington Park)
5	Michael Kennedy	DE	6-1	220	Jr.-R	2L	Chicago, Ill. (Mt. Carmel)
6	C.J. Brown	S	5-11	192	Fr.	HS	Canton, Mich. (Walled Lake Western)
7	Fabian McCray	WR	6-2	185	Fr.-R	RS	Chicago, Ill. (Phillips)
7	Jordan Hansen	S	6-1	192	Fr.	HS	Arlington Heights, Ill. (John Hersey)
8	Mohamed Toure	WR	6-2	195	Fr.-R	RS	Irvington, N.J. (Irvington)
9	Daveren Rayner	LB	6-3	212	Fr.	HS	Indianapolis, Ind. (Lawrence Central)
10	Andrew Haidet	QB	6-5	231	Sr.-R	GTR	Plano, Texas (John Paul II/Houston Baptist)
11	Kyle Pugh	LB	6-0	220	Sr.-6	3L	Chicago Heights, Ill. (Bloom Township)
11	Messiah Travis	WR	5-10	186	Fr.-R	RS	Chicago, Ill. (Solorio Academy)
12	Eric Rogers	CB	6-2	175	Fr.	HS	Burlington, N.J. (Burlington Township)
12	Ross Bowers	QB	6-2	200	Sr.-6	1L	Bothell, Wash. (Bothell/California)
13	Leon Payne	WR	5-10	183	So.-R	1Sq	Chicago, Ill. (Simeon)
13	Myles McGee	CB	6-0	182	Fr.	HS	Canton, Ga. (Sequoyah)
14	Jeremiah Howard	WR	5-11	178	Fr.	HS	Merrillville, Ind. (Merrillville)
14	Jordan Gandy	CB	5-10	175	So.	TR	DeKalb, Ill. (DeKalb/South Dakota State)
15	Billy Dozier	WR	5-10	190	Fr.	HS	New Lenox, Ill. (Lincoln Way West)
15	Dillon Thomas	CB	6-2	188	Jr.-R	2L	Kansas City, Mo. (Park Hill South)
16	Drew Cassens	QB	6-2	213	Fr.	HS	Downers Grove, Ill. (Downers Grove Noth)
16	J.D. Harris	CB	5-10	180	So.-R	1Sq	Columbus, Ind. (Columbus North)
17	Dennis Robinson	WR	6-5	210	Jr.-R	2L	Hollywood, Fla. (South Broward)
18	Cole Tucker	WR	6-2	198	Jr.-R	2L	DeKalb, Ill. (DeKalb)
18	Kewan Parker	LB	5-10	216	So.-R	1L	Miami, Fla. (Carol City)
19	Jyran Mitchell	TB	5-11	195	So.-R	1Sq	Matteson, Ill. (Rich Central)
19	Patrick Hoffman	S	6-0	180	Fr.	HS	Naperville, Ill. (Neuqua Valley)
20	Connor Leffler	WR	5-11	175	Fr.	HS	Germantown, Wis. (Germantown)
20	Zhamaine March	CB	5-8	175	Jr.	2L	Detroit, Mich. (East English Village Prep)
21	Erin Collins	TB	6-2	210	Jr.	JC	Plant City, Fla. (Armwood/Hutchinson [KS] CC)
21	Tyrik Henderson	S	5-11	192	Fr.-R	RS	Carol Stream, Ill. (Glenbard North/St. Thomas More Prep)
22	Rondarius Gregory	TB	5-7	197	Fr.-R	RS	Nashville, Tenn. (East Nashville Magnet)
23	Eddie Jackson	LB	6-0	215	Fr.	HS	Miami, Fla. (Gulliver Prep)
23	Shaquan Oliver	TB	5-10	211	Sr.-R	1Sq	Montclair, N.J. (Montclair/Rutgers)
24	Jashon Prophete	CB	5-11	178	Fr.	HS	Pompano Beach, Fla. (Blanche Ely)
25	Cortez Hogans	DE	6-3	258	So.-R	1L	Palatine, Ill. (Palatine)
27	Mark Aitken	CB	5-9	175	Fr.-R	RS	Chicago, Ill. (Kenwood Academy)
28	Tommy Brunner	DE	6-3	248	Fr.-R	RS	Milwaukee, Wis. (Whitefish Bay)
29	Woodly Appolon	LB	6-4	206	Jr.	JC	Montreal, Quebec (Jean-Grou/Butler [KS] CC)
30	Harrison Waylee	TB	5-10	180	Fr.	HS	Johnston, Iowa (Urbandale)
32	Brett Bostad	FB	6-0	245	So.-R	1L	Kennedale, Texas (Kennedale)
32	Brianjay Ross	S	5-11	188	So.-R	1Sq	DeKalb, Ill. (DeKalb)
33	Joshua Earl	S	6-1	203	So.-R	1L	Naperville, Ill. (Neuqua Valley)
34	Donavan Bieber	TB	5-11	180	Fr.	HS	Columbia, Ill. (Columbia)
34	Reggie Jennings	DE	6-1	228	So.-R	1Sq	Milwaukee, Wis. (Brookfield Central)
35	Vondarious Gordon	TB	5-11	207	Fr.	HS	Great Lakes, Ill. (North Chicago)
36	Matt Ference	P	5-11	186	Sr.	3L	St. Louis, Mo. (Lafayette)
38	Nick Rattin	LB	6-2	222	So.	1L	Palatine, Ill. (Fremd)
39	John Richardson	K	5-11	188	So.-R	1L	Orland Park, Ill. (Brother Rice)
39	Manny Dominguez	LB	5-10	199	Fr.	HS	Sycamore, Ill. (Sycamore)

## ALPHABETICAL

No.	Name	Pos.
93	Erik Abrell	LS
27	Mark Aitken	CB
29	Woodly Appolon	LB
56	Miles Baggett	DT
84	Keion Battle	WR
46	Anthony Beacom	P
53	Nate Beyer	OL
34	Donavan Bieber	TB
32	Brett Bostad	FB
12	Ross Bowers	QB
6	C.J. Brown	S
28	Tommy Brunner	DE
60	Evan Buss	OL
16	Drew Cassens	QB
76	John Champe	OL
0	Jordan Cole	LB
21	Erin Collins	TB
70	Marques Cox	OL
88	Daniel Crawford	TE
80	Mike DeHaan	TE
42	Greg DeLuca	FB
2	Lance Deveaux Jr.	LB
45	Jaden Dolphin	S
39	Manny Dominguez	LB
15	Billy Dozier	WR
84	C.J. Dunn	DL
33	Joshua Earl	S
75	Leif Engstrand	OL
44	James Ester	DT
36	Matt Ference	P
47	C.C. Fish	CB
4	Dustin Fletcher	QB
98	Tom Foley	P
14	Jordan Gandy	CB
57	Rayshawn Gay	LB
35	Vondarious Gordon	TB
22	Rondarius Gregory	TB
91	Jeffrey Griffin Jr.	DT
10	Andrew Haidet	QB
7	Jordan Hansen	S
51	Nathan Harman	LB
16	J.D. Harris	CB
21	Tyrik Henderson	S
19	Patrick Hoffman	S
25	Cortez Hogans	DE
14	Jeremiah Howard	WR
92	Jack Hugunin	DT
23	Eddie Jackson	LB
34	Reggie Jennings	DE
54	Matt Johnson	DE
5	Michael Kennedy	DE
55	Weston Kramer	DT
50	Vinny Labus	LB
3	Devin Lafayette	S

## NUMERICAL ROSTER (2)

No.	Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown (HS/Previous School)
41	Jalon Redmond	LB	6-1	215	Fr.	HS	DeKalb, Ill. (DeKalb)
42	Greg DeLuca	FB	6-2	214	Sr.-R	TR	Boonton Township, N.J. (Mountain Lakes/Duke)
44	James Ester	DT	6-2	294	Fr.-R	RS	Detroit, Mich. (Cass Tech)
45	Jaden Dolphin	S	6-2	194	Fr.	HS	Des Plaines, Ill. (Maine West)
46	Anthony Beacom	P	5-10	204	Fr.	HS	Roselle, Ill. (Lake Park)
47	C.C. Fish	CB	5-10	182	Fr.	HS	Mount Horeb, Wis. (Mount Horeb)
49	Jayden Lambert	CB	6-1	176	Fr.	HS	Downers Grove, Ill. (Downers Grove)
50	Vinny Labus	LB	6-1	221	Jr.-R	2L	Park Ridge Ill. (Maine South)
51	Nathan Harman	LB	5-11	225	So.-R	1L	Monticello, Ill. (Monticello)
53	Nate Beyer	OL	6-4	310	Fr.	HS	Sterling, Ill. (Sterling)
54	Matt Johnson	DE	6-3	226	Fr.	HS	Aurora, Ill. (West Aurora)
55	Weston Kramer	DT	6-1	290	Sr.	3L	Naperville, Ill. (Marmion Academy)
56	Miles Baggett	DT	6-2	281	Sr.-R	RS	Chicago, Ill. (Whitney Young/Minn. St. Moorhead)
57	Rayshawn Gay	LB	6-2	219	Jr.-R	2L	Maywood, Ill. (Proviso East)
58	Brayden Patton	OL	6-5	304	Sr.-R	3L	Ellettsville, Ind. (Edgewood)
60	Evan Buss	OL	6-6	298	Fr.	HS	Kimberly, Wis. (Kimberly)
61	Benn Olson	OL	6-4	300	Sr.-R	3L	Burnsville, Minn. (Burnsville)
62	Seth Thompson	OL	6-4	275	Fr.	HS	Eden Prairie, Minn. (Holy Family Catholic)
64	Matthew Schooley	OL	6-2	293	Fr.	HS	Wisconsin Rapids, Wis. (Lincoln)
65	Logan Zschernitz	OL	6-3	318	Fr.-R	RS	Spencer, Wis. (Spencer)
66	Anthony Vacula	OL	6-4	320	Fr.	HS	Hales Corners, Wis. (Whitnall)
69	Nolan Potter	OL	6-6	301	So.-R	1L	Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Washington)
70	Marques Cox	OL	6-6	310	So.-R	1L	Peoria, Ill. (Peoria)
71	Kobe Rios	OL	6-6	322	So.	WO	Rock Island, Ill. (Rock Island/Iowa Western CC)
74	Tyler Pitcel	OL	6-4	285	Fr.	HS	Mukwonago, Wis. (Mukwonago)
75	Leif Engstrand	OL	6-8	316	Fr.-R	RS	Oconomowoc, Wis. (Oconomowoc)
76	John Champe	OL	6-4	317	Fr.	HS	Brookfield, Wis. (Brookfield East)
77	Cole Webster	OL	6-7	302	Sr.	3Sq	Bettendorf, Iowa (Bettendorf)
78	Jack Wilty	OL	6-4	308	Fr.	HS	Altoona, Iowa (Southeast Polk)
79	J.J. Lippe	OL	6-5	295	Fr.-R	RS	Milwaukee, Wis. (Whitefish Bay)
80	Mike DeHaan	TE	6-5	252	So.-R	1Sq	Tinley Park, Ill. (Andrew)
81	Jake Novotny	TE	6-4	220	Fr.	HS	Greendale, Wis. (Marquette University)
82	Tristen Tewes	LB	6-3	232	Fr.-R	RS	Pleasant Plains, Ill. (Pleasant Plains)
83	Liam Soraghan	TE	6-7	260	Jr.-R	1L	Dearborn, Mich. (Divine Child)
84	C.J. Dunn	DL	6-2	270	Fr.	HS	Bourbonnais, Ill. (Bradley-Bourbonnais)
84	Keion Battle	WR	6-1	186	Fr.	HS	Plainfield, Ill. (Oswego East)
85	Trayvon Rudolph	WR	5-10	179	Fr.	HS	Crete, Ill. (Crete-Monee)
86	Joe Sikma	WR	5-10	175	Fr.	HS	Waukesha, Wis. (Catholic Memorial)
87	Maximilian Thrower	TE	6-4	232	Sr.-R	1L	Detroit, Mich. (Shrine Catholic)
88	Daniel Crawford	TE	6-2	251	Sr.-6	3L	Macomb, Mich. (Dakota)
89	Luke Mallette	TE	6-4	231	Sr.-R	TR	Chicago, Ill. (Whitney Young/Amherst College)
90	Caleb Wright	DE	6-3	260	So.-R	1Sq	Brookfield, Wis. (Brookfield East)
91	Jeffrey Griffin Jr.	DT	6-0	288	So.-R	1L	Homewood, Ill. (Homewood-Flossmoor)
92	Jack Hugunin	DT	6-2	299	Fr.	HS	Oswego, Ill. (Oswego)
93	Erik Abrell	LS	6-1	215	Jr.-R	2L	Aurora, Ill. (Aurora Christian/Western Illinois)
95	Devonte O'Malley	DL	6-2	254	Fr.	HS	Midlothian, Ill. (Bremen)
96	Jacob Waskow	DL	6-2	265	Fr.	HS	Canton, Ill. (Canton)
97	Demond Taylor Jr.	DT	6-2	296	Fr.-R	RS	East St. Louis, Ill. (East St. Louis)
98	Tom Foley	P	6-4	215	Fr.	HS	Peoria, Ill. (Peoria Notre Dame/Minnesota)
99	Pierce Oppong	DL	6-3	265	Fr.	HS	Bloomington, Minn. (Jefferson)

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No.	Name	Pos.
49	Jayden Lambert	CB
20	Connor Leffler	WR
79	J.J. Lippe	OL
2	Michael Love	WR
89	Luke Mallette	TE
20	Zhamaine March	CB
7	Fabian McCray	WR
13	Myles McGee	CB
19	Jyran Mitchell	TB
81	Jake Novotny	TE
95	Devonte O'Malley	DL
23	Shaquan Oliver	TB
61	Benn Olson	OL
99	Pierce Oppong	DL
18	Kewan Parker	LB
58	Brayden Patton	OL
13	Leon Payne	WR
74	Tyler Pitcel	OL
69	Nolan Potter	OL
24	Jashon Prophete	CB
11	Kyle Pugh	LB
38	Nick Rattin	LB
9	Daveren Rayner	LB
41	Jalon Redmond	LB
39	John Richardson	K
3	Tyrice Richie	WR
71	Kobe Rios	OL
17	Dennis Robinson	WR
12	Eric Rogers	CB
32	Brianjay Ross	S
85	Trayvon Rudolph	WR
64	Matthew Schooley	OL
86	Joe Sikma	WR
83	Liam Soraghan	TE
97	Demond Taylor Jr.	DT
82	Tristen Tewes	LB
15	Dillon Thomas	CB
4	Raishein Thomas	DE
0	Rodney Thompson	QB
62	Seth Thompson	OL
87	Maximilian Thrower	TE
8	Mohamed Toure	WR
11	Messiah Travis	WR
18	Cole Tucker	WR
66	Anthony Vacula	OL
96	Jacob Waskow	DL
30	Harrison Waylee	TB
77	Cole Webster	OL
78	Jack Wilty	OL
90	Caleb Wright	DE

KEY: RS -- Has already used a redshirt season.

Sq -- Squad member. L -- Letterman. HS -- High School. WO -- Walk-on (new). TR -- Transfer. GTR -- Grad Transfer.

## DEPTH CHART

### Offense

	No.	Name	Hgt.	Wgt.	Yr.	Hometown (High School/Previous School)
QB	12	Ross Bowers	6-2	200	Sr.-6	Bothell, Wash. (Bothell/California)
	10	Andrew Haidet	6-5	231	Sr.-R	Plano, Texas (John Paul II/Houston Baptist)
TB	21	Erin Collins	6-2	210	Jr.	Plant City, Fla. (Armwood/Hutchinson [KS] CC)
	30	Harrison Waylee	5-10	180	Fr.	Johnston, Iowa (Urbandale)
<b>OR</b>	22	Rondarius Gregory	5-7	197	Fr.-R	Nashville, Tenn. (East Nashville Magnet)
TE	88	Daniel Crawford	6-2	251	Sr.-6	Macomb, Mich. (Dakota)
	83	Liam Soraghan	6-7	260	Jr.-R	Dearborn, Mich. (Divine Child)
WR	18	Cole Tucker	6-2	198	Jr.-R	DeKalb, Ill. (DeKalb)
	11	Messiah Travis	5-10	186	Fr.-R	Chicago, Ill. (Solorio Academy)
WR	3	Tyrice Richie	6-0	193	Sr.-R	Chicago, Ill. (Homewood-Flossmoor/Dodge City CC)
	17	Dennis Robinson	6-5	210	Jr.-R	Hollywood, Fla. (South Broward)
WR	85	Trayvon Rudolph	5-10	179	Fr.	Crete, Ill. (Crete-Monee)
	8	Mohamed Toure	6-2	195	Fr.-R	Irvington, N.J. (Irvington)
LT	70	Marques Cox	6-6	310	So.-R	Peoria, Ill. (Peoria)
	75	Leif Engstrand	6-8	316	Fr.-R	Oconomowoc, Wis. (Oconomowoc)
LG	61	Benn Olson	6-4	300	Sr.-R	Burnsville, Minn. (Burnsville)
	76	John Champe	6-4	317	Fr.	Brookfield, Wis. (Brookfield East)
C	58	Brayden Patton	6-5	304	Sr.-R	Ellettsville, Ind. (Edgewood)
	79	J.J. Lippe	6-5	295	Fr.-R	Milwaukee, Wis. (Whitefish Bay)
RG	65	Logan Zschernitz	6-3	318	Fr.-R	Spencer, Wis. (Spencer)
	74	Tyler Pitcel	6-4	285	Fr.	Mukwonago, Wis. (Mukwonago)
RT	69	Nolan Potter	6-6	301	So.-R	Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Washington)
	60	Evan Buss	6-6	298	Fr.	Kimberly, Wis. (Kimberly)

### Defense

	No.	Name	Hgt.	Wgt.	Yr.	Hometown (High School/Previous School)
DE	99	Pierce Oppong	6-3	265	Fr.	Bloomington, Minn. (Jefferson)
	25	Cortez Hogans	6-3	258	So.-R	Palatine, Ill. (Palatine)
DT	97	Demond Taylor Jr.	6-2	295	Fr.-R	East St. Louis, Ill. (East St. Louis)
<b>OR</b>	91	Jeffrey Griffin Jr.	6-0	288	So.-R	Homewood, Ill. (Homewood-Flossmoor)
DT	55	Weston Kramer	6-1	290	Sr.	Naperville, Ill. (Marmion Academy)
	44	James Ester	6-2	294	Fr.-R	Detroit, Mich. (Cass Tech)
DE	4	Rashein Thomas	6-4	257	Fr.	Racine, Wis. (Washington Park)
	90	Caleb Wright	6-3	260	So.-R	Brookfield, Wis. (Brookfield East)
<b>OR</b>	95	Devonte O'Malley	6-2	254	Fr.	Midlothian, Ill. (Bremen)
OLB	11	Kyle Pugh	6-0	220	Sr.-6	Chicago Heights, Ill. (Bloom Township)
	23	Eddie Jackson	6-0	215	Fr.	Miami, Fla. (Gulliver Prep)
MLB	38	Nick Rattin	6-2	222	So.	Palatine, Ill. (Fremd)
	82	Tristen Tewes	6-3	232	Fr.-R	Pleasant Plains, Ill. (Pleasant Plains)
OLB	2	Lance Deveaux Jr.	5-10	223	Sr.-R	Pompano Beach, Fla. (St. Thomas Aquinas)
	9	Daveren Rayner	6-3	212	Fr.	Indianapolis, Ind. (Lawrence Central)
<b>OR</b>	0	Jordan Cole	6-2	223	Jr.-R	Ferguson, Mo. (McCluer South-Berkeley)
CB	14	Jordan Gandy	5-10	175	So.	DeKalb, Ill. (DeKalb/South Dakota State)
	13	Myles McGee	6-0	182	Fr.	Canton, Ga. (Sequoyah)
S	3	Devin Lafayette	6-2	191	Fr.	Brunswick, Ga. (Brunswick)
<b>OR</b>	6	C.J. Brown	5-11	192	Fr.	Canton, Mich. (Walled Lake Western)
S	7	Jordan Hansen	6-1	192	Fr.	Arlington Heights, Ill. (John Hersey)
	33	Joshua Earl	6-1	203	So.-R	Naperville, Ill. (Neuqua Valley)
CB	15	Dillon Thomas	6-2	188	Jr.-R	Kansas City, Mo. (Park Hill South)
	16	J.D. Harris	5-10	180	So.-R	Columbus, Ind. (Columbus North)

### Specialists

	No.	Name	Hgt.	Wgt.	Yr.	Hometown (High School/Previous School)
P	36	Matt Ference	5-11	186	Sr.	St. Louis, Mo. (Lafayette)
	98	Tom Foley	6-4	215	Fr.	Peoria, Ill. (Peoria Notre Dame/Minnesota)
K	39	John Richardson	5-11	188	So.-R	Orland Park, Ill. (Brother Rice)
	36	Matt Ference	5-11	186	Sr.	St. Louis, Mo. (Lafayette)
LS	93	Erik Abrell	6-1	215	Jr.-R	Aurora, Ill. (Aurora Christian/Western Illinois)
	50	Vinny Labus	6-1	221	Jr.-R	Park Ridge, Ill. (Maine South)
HO	36	Matt Ference	5-11	186	Sr.	St. Louis, Mo. (Lafayette)
	18	Cole Tucker	6-2	198	Jr.-R	DeKalb, Ill. (DeKalb)
PR	18	Cole Tucker	6-2	198	Jr.-R	DeKalb, Ill. (DeKalb)
	85	Trayvon Rudolph	5-10	179	Fr.	Crete, Ill. (Crete-Monee)
KR	85	Trayvon Rudolph	5-10	179	Fr.	Crete, Ill. (Crete-Monee)
	3	Tyrice Richie	6-0	193	Sr.-R	Chicago, Ill. (Homewood-Flossmoor/Dodge City CC)

### Pronunciations

Name	Pronunciation
Erik ABRELL	AY-brull
Woody APOLON	App-uh-LON
KEION Battle	KEY-on
Nate BEYER	BYE-er
Donovan BIEBER	BEE-ber
Brett BOSTAD	BO-stadd
Tommy BRUNNER	BREW-ner
John CHAMPE	CHAMP (e is silent)
MARQUES Cox	Marcus
Mike DEHAAN	duh-HAWN
Lance DEVEAUX Jr.	duh-VOE
JADEN Dolphin	JAY-den
JEVYON Ducker	Juh-VOHN
LIEF ENGSTRAND	LEAF ANG-strand
Matt FERENCE	FARE-ents
VONDARIOUS Gordon	von-DARE-ee-us
RONDARIUS Gregory	ron-DARE-ee-us
Andrew HAIDET	HAY-dit
TYRIK Henderson	tie-REEK
CORTEZ Hogans	core-TEZ
Jack HUGUNIN	HUE-guh-NIN
Vinny LABUS	LAY-buss
Devin LAFAYETTE	Lah-FAY-ett
J.J. LIPPE	LIP-ee
Luke MALLETT	Muh-LETT
ZHAMAIN March	juh-MAIN
JYRAN Mitchell	JIE-ren
DEVONTE O'Malley	Duh-VOHN-tay
SHAQUAN Oliver	Shuh-QWAN
Pierce OPPONG	OH-pong
KEWAN Parker	KEY-wahn
Tyler PITCEL	PIT-sul
JASHON PROPHETE	JAY-shon Prah-FIT
Nick RATTIN	ruh-TEEN
DAVEREN Rayner	Dave-UR-in
JALON Redmond	Juh-LONN
TYRICE Richie	tie-REESE
KOBE RIOS	Koh-BEE REE-ose
Liam Soraghan	Lee-UM SORE-uh-HAN
DEMOND Taylor Jr.	duh-MOND
Tristan TEWES	TAY-vis
RAISHEIN Thomas	RAY-shawn
MOHAMED TOURE	moe-HOMM-ed
	TORE-ray
Anthony VACULA	Vuh-SOO-luh
Jacob WASKOW	Wass-KOW
Logan ZSCHERNITZ	SHUR-nitz

### Coaches

Eric EIDSSNESS	IDES-ness
Daryl AGPALSA	Ag-PAWL-suh
Jordan GIGLI	GEE-lee
Tony SORRENTINO	SORE-un-TEE-no

### Hometowns

Oconomowoc	Uh-CON-oh-muh-WALK
Mukwonago	Muh-GWAHN-UH-go