



# SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

## JACKRABBIT ATHLETICS NEWS RELEASE

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### 2021 FOOTBALL INFORMATION

# Showdown Series set for Saturday

## JACKRABBIT GAME NOTES — NOV. 13

**#4/7 SOUTH DAKOTA STATE (7-2, 4-2 MVFC)**  
**at #17/19 SOUTH DAKOTA (6-3, 4-2 MVFC)**

**1 p.m. Saturday**

**DakotaDome; Vermillion, S.D.**



**HEAD COACH:** Bob Nielson (Wartburg, 1982); 26-32 record in six seasons at South Dakota; 214-112-1 record in 29 seasons as a collegiate head coach

### SERIES NOTES

- 113th Meeting (SDSU leads the overall series, 54-51-7, including a 7-1 advantage in the Division I era for both programs)
- USD won the last meeting, 24-21, on Nov. 23, 2019, in Vermillion

### MEDIA INFORMATION

- Game will be televised on Midco Sports and ESPN+
- Free radio broadcast available through Jackrabbits All-Access at GoJacks.com/watch
- Pre-game radio show begins at noon Central on the Jackrabbit Sports Network, which includes flagship station WNAX 570 AM-Yankton and the following affiliates:
- KJJQ 910 AM-Brookings • KBFS 1450 AM-Belle Fourche • KDSJ 980 AM-Deadwood
- KORN 1490 AM-Mitchell • KELO 1320 AM/KELQ 107.9 FM-Sioux Falls
- KCCR 1240 AM-Pierre • KLOH 1050 AM/94.1 FM-Pipestone, Minn. • KWYR 93.7 FM-Winner
- KXLG 99.1 FM/100.1 FM-Watertown
- Radio crew of Tyler Merriam (play-by-play), Alex Parker (color) and Scotty Kwas (sidelines) will call the action



**HEAD COACH:** John Stiegelmeier (SDSU, 1979)  
 • 181-109 record in 25 seasons — all at South Dakota State

**STARTERS RETURNING:** 22 (10 Off., 10 Def., 2 ST)

## 2021 SCHEDULE

### SEPTEMBER

3	at Colorado State	W, 42-23
11	LINDENWOOD [Dairy Drive/2020 Hall of Fame]	W, 52-7
25	*at Indiana State	W, 44-0

### OCTOBER

2	DIXIE STATE [Beef Bowl]	W, 55-7
9	*SOUTHERN ILLINOIS [OT] L, 41-42	
16	*at Western Illinois	W, 41-17
23	*NORTHERN IOWA [Hobo Day]	L, 17-26
30	*at Youngstown State	W, 47-16

### NOVEMBER

6	*NORTH DAKOTA STATE [Dakota Marker]	W, 27-19
13	*at South Dakota [Showdown Series]	1 p.m.
20	*NORTH DAKOTA [2021 Hall of Fame]	2 p.m.
27	FCS Playoffs begin	TBD

\* Missouri Valley Football Conference game  
 All times Central

## TALE OF THE TAPE — 2021 SEASON STATS

SOUTH DAKOTA	CATEGORY	SOUTH DAKOTA STATE
29.7	Points Per Game	40.7
17.1	Points Allowed Per Game	17.4
189.7	Rushing Yardage Per Game	209.4
94.0	Rush Yardage Allowed/Game	92.3
195.4	Passing Yardage Per Game	250.1
12.7	Average Per Catch	14.3
222.7	Pass Yardage Allowed/Game	223.6
385.1	Total Offense Per Game	459.6
316.7	Total Offense Allowed/Game	315.9
31.9	Kick Return Average	17.0
7.2	Punt Return Average	4.6
8-80	Interception Returns	10-76
15-6	Fumbles-Lost	7-4
37-321	Penalties-Yards	57-486
31:19	Time of Possession/Game	31:13
53/128 (41%)	Third-Down Conversions	49/114 (43%)

## GAME NOTES — SOUTH DAKOTA STATE at SOUTH DAKOTA

### RECENT SERIES SCORES

2000:	South Dakota 41, South Dakota State 28 (Nov. 4, 2000, at Coughlin-Alumni Stadium)
2001:	South Dakota State 20, South Dakota 3 (Oct. 27, 2001, at Vermillion)
2002:	South Dakota State 27, South Dakota 20 (Nov. 2, 2002, at Coughlin-Alumni Stadium)
2003:	South Dakota State 22, South Dakota 11 (Oct. 25, 2003, at Vermillion)
2012:	South Dakota State 31, South Dakota 8 (Nov. 17, 2012, at Coughlin-Alumni Stadium)
2013:	South Dakota State 27, South Dakota 12 (Nov. 16, 2013, at Vermillion)
2014:	South Dakota State 37, South Dakota 14 (Nov. 22, 2014, at Coughlin-Alumni Stadium)
2015:	South Dakota State 30, South Dakota 23 (Nov. 14, 2015, at Vermillion)
2016:	South Dakota State 28, South Dakota 21 (Nov. 12, 2016, at Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium)
2017:	South Dakota State 31, South Dakota 28 (Nov. 18, 2017, at Vermillion)
2018:	South Dakota State 49, South Dakota 27 (Nov. 17, 2018, at Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium)
2019:	South Dakota 24, South Dakota State 21 (Nov. 23, 2019, at Vermillion)

South Dakota State records have the Jackrabbits leading the all-time series, 54-51-7

### OPENING DRIVES BY HALF

OPPONENT	1ST-O	2ND-O	1ST-D	2ND-D
Colorado State	Punt	Punt	Punt	Downs
Lindenwood	TD	TD	Punt	Punt
Indiana State	TD	FG	Punt	Punt
Dixie State	Punt	Punt	Punt	Punt
Southern Illinois	TD	INT	Punt	Punt
Western Illinois	Punt	TD	Punt	Punt
Northern Iowa	Fumble	Punt	TD	Downs
Youngstown State	TD	TD	Punt	INT
North Dakota State	TD	Downs	Punt	Fumble

### LONGEST DRIVES

#### BY PLAYS

16 - vs. North Dakota State (2Q), 16-80-9:24 (touchdown)

#### BY YARDS

92 - at Indiana State (4Q), 5-92-2:45 (touchdown)

#### BY TIME OF POSSESSION

9:24 - vs. North Dakota State (2Q), 16-80-9:24 (touchdown)

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Nov. 9, 2021

**BROOKINGS, S.D.** — For the second week in a row, the South Dakota State University football team will play a rivalry game, traveling Saturday to in-state foe University of South Dakota.

Kickoff for the South Dakota Showdown Series game is slated for 1 p.m. at the DakotaDome in Vermillion with television coverage available through Midco Sports and ESPN+.

The Jackrabbits, 7-2 overall and 4-2 in the Missouri Valley Football Conference, made a leap of five spots in each of the two major Football Championship Subdivision polls this week following a 27-19 home victory over second-ranked North Dakota State on Nov. 6. SDSU is fourth in this week's Stats Perform media poll and seventh in the FCS Coaches rankings.

South Dakota remains in the playoff hunt with a 6-3 overall record and a 4-2 mark in the MVFC. The Coyotes, ranked 17th by the coaches and 19th by the media, racked up a 42-21 road win at Western Illinois last week.

**THE SERIES:** According to SDSU records, Saturday's game will mark the 113th meeting on the gridiron between SDSU and South Dakota, with the Jackrabbits holding a 54-51-7 series advantage on the strength of winning 10 of the last 11 matchups. The series dates back to 1889, when the two squads played to a 6-6 tie.

Four of the last five meetings have been decided by one touchdown or less, including a 24-21 Coyote victory in the 2019 regular season finale at the DakotaDome in what is the most recent matchup between the in-state rivals. That victory ended a 10-game winning streak within the series by SDSU, one that began with a 20-3 Jackrabbit victory in Vermillion during the 2001 campaign.

After SDSU made the jump to Division I following the 2003 season, the series was dormant until 2012, when the Coyotes landed in the Missouri Valley Football Conference as part of their own D-I pursuits.

The two squads' scheduled matchup this past spring in Brookings was canceled due to COVID-19 protocols.

Saturday's game will be the second time both teams have been ranked when squaring off in the Showdown Series. Fifth-ranked SDSU pulled out a 31-28 victory over 16th-ranked USD in Vermillion in the 2017 regular season finale on Nov. 18, 2017. Both teams went on to earn at-large playoff berths that season — for USD it was the first postseason bid in football at the Division I level.

**SECOND-HALF SURGES:** With a 2-2 record at the halfway mark of the Missouri Valley Football Conference schedule, the South Dakota State football team had history on its side as the Jackrabbits entered the stretch run.

In the 12 previous seasons the Jackrabbits played a full eight-game league slate, SDSU posted a 37-11 record in the second halves of those campaigns. In addition, the Jackrabbits went 3-0 in the second half of an abbreviated, six-game league schedule during the 2020-21 season.

Thus far in 2021, SDSU is 2-0 in the second half of the league schedule with wins at Youngstown State and versus North Dakota State. The Jackrabbits have run the table in the second half three times (2013, 2017, 2018) en route to Football Championship Subdivision playoff berths. SDSU has gone 3-1 in the second half seven times and 2-2 on two occasions.

**ELITE COMPANY:** South Dakota State is one of only two Football Championship Subdivision programs to reach the playoffs each of the last nine seasons, including making consecutive national semifinal appearances in 2017 and 2018.

North Dakota State holds the longest active streak with 11 consecutive trips to the playoffs after the Bison earned an at-large bid to the 2020-21 16-team field.

## GAME NOTES — SOUTH DAKOTA STATE at SOUTH DAKOTA

### SDSU'S 2021 RECORD WHEN...

Jackrabbits score first .....	7-1
Opponent scores first .....	0-1
Jackrabbits lead after one quarter.....	5-1
Opponent leads after one quarter .....	0-1
Game is tied after one quarter .....	2-0
Jackrabbits lead at halftime.....	7-1
Opponent leads at halftime .....	0-1
Game is tied at halftime.....	0-0
Jackrabbits lead after three quarters.....	7-1
Opponent leads after three quarters .....	0-1
Game is tied after three quarters .....	0-0
Game is decided in overtime.....	0-1
Jackrabbits play at home.....	3-2
SDSU plays on the the road .....	4-0
Neutral-site contest .....	0-0
Jackrabbits commit fewer turnovers than opponent.....	5-0
Opponent commits fewer turnovers than SDSU.....	1-1
Turnover margin is equal .....	1-1
Jackrabbits commit fewer penalties than opponent .....	3-0
Opponent commits fewer penalties than SDSU .....	4-2
Teams commit same number of penalties .....	0-0
Jackrabbits have time of possession advantage .....	6-0
Opponent has time of possession advantage .....	1-2
Game is played on artificial surface .....	7-2
Game is played on natural grass/hybrid surface .....	0-0
Game is played during the day .....	4-2
Game is played at night (6 p.m. or later kickoff).....	3-0

### 2021 MVFC AWARDS

#### WEEKLY AWARDS

##### OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

- Pierre Strong, Jr. (Sept. 25)  
— 20 carries, 150 yards at Indiana State  
— 2 receptions, 23 yards  
— 1-for-1 passing, 22 yards, TD
- Pierre Strong, Jr. (Nov. 6)  
— 23 carries, 156 yards, 2 TDs vs. North Dakota State  
— 2 receptions, 2 yards  
— 1-for-1 passing, 11 yards, TD

##### OFFENSIVE LINEMAN OF THE WEEK

- Garret Greenfield (Sept. 25)  
— 92 percent grade with six knockdown blocks at Indiana State  
— no quarterback pressures, hits or sacks  
— team racked up 517 yards of total offense (8.8 yards per play)
- Aron Johnson (Nov. 6)  
— 86 percent grade versus North Dakota State  
— no quarterback pressures or sacks

##### NEWCOMER OF THE WEEK

- Chris Oladokun (Sept. 3)  
— 18-of-28 passing for 224 yards and 2 TDs at Colorado State  
— 2 carries, 19 yards, TD

#### CAPTAINS: Leading the Jackrabbit football team are six captains:

- Logan Backhaus, Sr., linebacker, Spirit Lake, Iowa;
- Wes Genant, Sr., offensive lineman, Parkston;
- Michael Griffin II, Sr., safety, Cottage Grove, Minnesota;
- Mason McCormick, Jr., offensive lineman, Sioux Falls;
- Pierre Strong, Jr.; Sr.; running back, Little Rock, Arkansas, and
- Xavier Ward, Sr., defensive tackle, Freeman.

Backhaus is in his third season as a team captain, while Genant, Griffin and Strong are in their second seasons in the leadership position. McCormick and Ward are first-time team captains.

**SEASON 14 IN THE MVFC:** The 2021 season marks South Dakota State's 14th as a member of the Missouri Valley Football Conference. Since joining the league in 2008, SDSU is the only program in that span to not have a losing season in conference play.

The Jackrabbits hold a 75-33 record in MVFC games and have won six or more league games six times. SDSU earned a share of league titles in 2016 and during the 2020-21 spring season.

**ROAD WARRIORS:** South Dakota State will take a perfect record in road games this season into Saturday's rivalry matchup at South Dakota. The Jackrabbits are 4-0 so far this season away from home and will be in search of completing the Missouri Valley Football Conference road slate unscathed for the first time since 2009, when they ran the table en route to their first appearance in the Football Championship Subdivision playoffs.

Not counting this past spring's national championship game, which was played on a neutral field, the Jackrabbits have won six consecutive true road games, dating back to a 44-3 win at Southern Illinois on March 20.

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**RANKINGS STREAK:** By being ranked fourth in this week's Stats Perform FCS poll, SDSU has now appeared in the top 25 of 128 consecutive media polls dating back to October 2012.

The Jackrabbits' third-place preseason showing matched the highest in program history (2018, 2019). SDSU then spent five weeks in the No. 2 spot following a season-opening win over Colorado State before dropping its first game of the year Oct. 9 against Southern Illinois.

Following is a week-by-week listing of South Dakota State's national rankings:

Date	Stats Perform	AFCA
Preseason	3rd	4th
Sept. 6	2nd	3rd
Sept. 13	2nd	3rd
Sept. 20	2nd	3rd
Sept. 27	2nd	3rd
Oct. 4	2nd	3rd
Oct. 11	7th	8th
Oct. 18	6th	7th
Oct. 25	10th	13th
Nov. 1	9th	12th
Nov. 8	4th	7th

**AWARD WATCH LISTS:** South Dakota State running back Pierre Strong, Jr. and linebacker Logan Backhaus have been selected for the initial watch lists for two of the top awards in the Football Championship Subdivision.

## PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

### AT COLORADO STATE

**OFFENSE:** Chris Oladokun, Garret Greenfield

**DEFENSE:** Xavier Ward

**SPECIAL TEAMS:** Cole Frahm

**SCOUT OFFENSE:** Alex Westendorf

**SCOUT DEFENSE:** Tucker Large

**SCOUT SPECIAL TEAMS:** Michael Paulson

**EFFORT:** Daeton Mcgaughy

### VS. LINDENWOOD

**OFFENSE:** Pierre Strong, Jr.; Mason McCormick

**DEFENSE:** Adam Bock

**SPECIAL TEAMS:** Cole Frahm

**SCOUT OFFENSE:** Abraham Hoskins III

**SCOUT DEFENSE:** Matthew Durrance

**SCOUT SPECIAL TEAMS:** Abraham Hoskins III

**EFFORT:** Isaiah Stalbird

### AT INDIANA STATE

**OFFENSE:** Tucker Kraft, Garret Greenfield

**DEFENSE:** Adam Bock, Caleb Sanders

**SPECIAL TEAMS:** Caleb Franci

**SCOUT OFFENSE:** Colby Christensen

**SCOUT DEFENSE:** Thomas Motzko

**SCOUT SPECIAL TEAMS:** Graham Goering

**EFFORT:** Caleb Sanders

### VS. DIXIE STATE

**OFFENSE:** Mike Morgan

**DEFENSE:** Steven Arrell, DyShawn Gales

**SPECIAL TEAMS:** Hunter Dustman, Ben Dinkel

**SCOUT OFFENSE:** Abraham Hoskins III

**SCOUT DEFENSE:** Colby Huerter

**SCOUT SPECIAL TEAMS:** Aydan Dautermann

**EFFORT:** Jaxon Janke

### VS. SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

**OFFENSE:** Pierre Strong, Jr., Aron Johnson

**DEFENSE:** Reece Winkelman

**SPECIAL TEAMS:** Caleb Franci

**SCOUT OFFENSE:** N/A

**SCOUT DEFENSE:** Colby Huerter

**SCOUT SPECIAL TEAMS:** Daxon Lindholm

**EFFORT:** Caleb Franci

### AT WESTERN ILLINOIS

**OFFENSE:** Jaxon Janke, Wes Genant

**DEFENSE:** Cale Reeder, Reece Winkelman

**SPECIAL TEAMS:** Kinser Madison

**SCOUT OFFENSE:** Daxon Lindholm

**SCOUT DEFENSE:** Jaden Crockett

**SCOUT SPECIAL TEAMS:** Chris Rhodes

**EFFORT:** Kinser Madison

### VS. NORTHERN IOWA

**OFFENSE:** Chris Oladokun, Aron Johnson

**DEFENSE:** Graham Spalding

**SPECIAL TEAMS:** Caleb Franci

**SCOUT OFFENSE:** Ethan Vibert

**SCOUT DEFENSE:** Aaron Wolfcale-Holsten

**SCOUT SPECIAL TEAMS:** Ryan Swoger

**EFFORT:** Michael Griffin II

Strong is a candidate for the the 2021 Stats Perform Walter Payton Award, which is given annually to the top offensive player in the Football Championship Subdivision.

A senior from Little Rock, Arkansas, Strong tied for eighth in the balloting for the Payton Award during an abbreviated 2020-21 season. He has topped the century mark in seven of nine games this season, including rushing for a season-high 163 yards on 19 carries with touchdown runs of 5 and 35 yards Oct. 30 at Youngstown State.

Strong currently the FCS with an average of 126.9 yards per game, while also ranking second with 14 rushing touchdowns. His 3,983 career rushing yards currently rank second among FCS players, after reaching the 1,000-yard mark for the third season in his career in last week's game against North Dakota State.

Backhaus, meanwhile, was among the early candidates for the 2021 Stats Perform Buck Buchanan Award, which is presented annually to the top defensive player in the Football Championship Subdivision.

In his final season with the Jackrabbits, Backhaus is coming off a 2020-21 season in which he led the team with 9.5 tackles for loss and ranked second with 72 tackles in 10 games. The Spirit Lake, Iowa, native also intercepted a pass and forced a fumble in helping lead SDSU to the FCS national title game.

A multi-year starter, Backhaus' career totals include 294 tackles, 26.5 tackles for loss, 6 sacks and 9 interceptions. He posted a season-high eight tackles Sept. 25 at Indiana State, and returned to the lineup last week at Youngstown State after suffering an injury early in the Oct. 9 game versus Southern Illinois.

Both watch lists will be updated periodically throughout the 2021 season. A media panel will select the recipients, who will be announced prior to the FCS national championship game in January.

Backhaus (first team) and Strong (second team) were also among the four members of the South Dakota State University football team were honored on the Stats Perform FCS Preseason All-America Team.

Also tabbed as a first-team preseason All-America was offensive lineman Garret Greenfield. A junior from Rock Valley, Iowa, was a consensus All-America pick at right tackle after helping pave the way for the Jackrabbits to rush for a Division I-era best 231.7 yards per game this past spring.

Joining Strong from the Jackrabbit backfield was Isaiah Davis, who earned third-team recognition as an all-purpose back. A sophomore from Joplin, Missouri, Davis finished the 2020-21 campaign as the team's leading rusher with 818 yards while adding a team-high 10 touchdowns. He averaged a team-best 115.3 all-purpose yards per game, adding seven receptions for 107 yards and returning seven kickoffs for 228 yards.

Davis came on strong in the Jackrabbits' run to the FCS title game, tallying 663 all-purpose yards in four playoff games, including 305 in the championship tilt against Sam Houston.

**JACKS PICKED TO WIN VALLEY:** South Dakota State was picked to win the 2021 Missouri Valley Football Conference title, according to a poll conducted among the league's coaches, sports information directors and a media panel that was announced in late July.

The Jackrabbits received 24 of the 43 first-place votes to finish with 454 points, edging North Dakota State with 435 points and 18 first-place votes. North Dakota (357), Southern Illinois (345) and Northern Iowa (311) rounded out the top five, with UNI claiming the final first-place vote.

It marked the first time since joining the MVFC in 2008 that the Jackrabbits, who return 10 starters on both sides of the ball, have been tabbed as the preseason favorite, after finishing second in the annual forecast six times.

The remainder of the poll included: Missouri State, sixth, 256; Illinois State, seventh, 196; South Dakota, eighth, 163; Youngstown State, ninth, 126; Indiana State, 10th, 112, and Western Illinois, 11th, 83.



## PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

### AT YOUNGSTOWN STATE

**OFFENSE:** Pierre Strong, Jr.; Eddie Miller  
**DEFENSE:** Reece Winkelman, Ryan Van Marel  
**SPECIAL TEAMS:** Adam Bock  
**SCOUT OFFENSE:** Jon Bell  
**SCOUT DEFENSE:** Levi Vanden Bos  
**SCOUT SPECIAL TEAMS:** Josh Buri  
**EFFORT:** Jadon Janke

### VS. NORTH DAKOTA STATE

**OFFENSE:** Pierre Strong, Jr.; Jaxon Janke  
**DEFENSE:** Caleb Sanders  
**SPECIAL TEAMS:** Cale Reeder  
**SCOUT OFFENSE:** Josh Buri  
**SCOUT DEFENSE:** Jaden Crockett  
**SCOUT SPECIAL TEAMS:** Daxon Lindholm  
**EFFORT:** Zach Heins

## TOP PERFORMANCES

### 100-YARD RUSHERS

#### Pierre Strong, Jr. (7)

- 13-138, 2 TD at Colorado State, 9-3-2021
- 7-110, 1 TD vs. Lindenwood, 9-11-2021
- 20-150 at Indiana State, 9-25-2021
- 20-162, 2 TD vs. Southern Illinois, 10-9-2021
- 19-122, 2 TD at Western Illinois, 10-16-2021
- 19-163, 2 TD at Youngstown State, 10-30-2021
- 23-156, 2 TD vs. North Dakota State, 11-6-2021

#### Amar Johnson (1)

- 15-105, 1 TD vs. Lindenwood, 9-11-2021

### 100-YARD RECEIVERS

#### Jaxon Janke (3)

- 9-101, 1 TD vs. Western Illinois, 10-16-2021
- 7-111 at Youngstown State, 10-30-2021
- 6-118 vs. North Dakota State, 11-6-2021

#### Tucker Kraft (1)

- 10-124, 1 TD vs. Southern Illinois, 10-9-2021
- 9-123, vs. Northern Iowa, 10-23-2021

#### Jadon Janke (1)

- 3-117, 1 TD vs. Southern Illinois, 10-9-2021

### 300-YARD PASSERS

#### Chris Oladokun (2)

- 23-31-2, 358 yards, 1 TD vs. Southern Illinois, 10-9-2021
- 24-53-0, 300 yards, 1 TD vs. Northern Iowa, 10-23-2021

### DOUBLE-DIGIT TACKLERS

#### Adam Bock (4)

- 10 tackles, 0.5 TFLs at Indiana State, 9-25-2021
- 17 tackles, 0.5 TFLs/sacks vs. Southern Illinois, 10-9-2021
- 10 tackles, vs. Northern Iowa, 10-23-2021
- 13 tackles, 2.5 TFLs, 1 sack vs. North Dakota State, 11-6-2021

#### Michael Griffin II (1)

- 10 tackles, vs. Northern Iowa, 10-23-2021

#### Graham Spalding (1)

- 12 tackles, 2.5 TFLs vs. Northern Iowa, 10-23-2021

SDSU shared the MVFC title with Missouri State, finishing with a 5-1 conference mark during an abbreviated 2020-21 season that was moved to the spring due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Jackrabbits were awarded the league's automatic bid to the Football Championship Subdivision playoffs and later advanced to the national championship game for the first time, ending the season with an 8-2 overall record following a 23-21 loss to Sam Houston.

In addition, 12 Jackrabbit players were honored on the MVFC Preseason Team, including six first-team selections. Running back Pierre Strong, Jr., tight end Zach Heins and offensive lineman Garret Greenfield represent the Jackrabbit offense, while defensive tackle Caleb Sanders, linebacker Logan Backhaus and cornerback Don Gardner were the defensive honorees. All were first-team all-MVFC picks in the spring.

Strong, a senior from Little Rock, Arkansas, rushed for 707 yards (78.6 yards per game) and three touchdowns during the 2020-21 spring season. He also ranked third on the team with 20 catches for 178 yards and a touchdown.

A junior from Sioux Falls, Heins tallied 12 receptions for 200 yards during the 2020-21 spring season.

Greenfield, a junior from Rock Valley, Iowa, helped pave the way for an offensive unit that averaged 29.2 points and 403.1 yards of total offense per game. He went on to be a consensus All-America selection at right tackle.

Sanders led the Jackrabbits with five sacks among his seven tackles for loss last season. The senior from Glenwood, Iowa, posted 26 total tackles.

Backhaus, a senior from Spirit Lake, Iowa, paced the Jackrabbits with 9.5 tackles for loss and ranked second on the squad with 72 total tackles en route to earning All-America honors from several media outlets.

Gardner, a senior from Chicago, led the team with seven pass breakups and added an interception during the spring season. He also ranked fifth on the squad with 44 tackles, including three for loss.

Four more members of the Jackrabbit offense were recognized as second-team selections to the preseason honor squad: Offensive linemen Mason McCormick and Wes Genant, wide receiver Jaxon Janke and running back Isaiah Davis.

McCormick, a junior from Sioux Falls, was a second-team all-MVFC pick this past spring, while Genant, a senior from Parkston, earned honorable mention recognition.

A junior from Madison, Janke earned second-team all-MVFC honors after leading SDSU in nearly every receiving category, posting 32 receptions for 473 yards and six touchdowns.

Davis, from Joplin, Missouri, finished as the team's leading rusher with 818 yards (81.8 ypg) and 10 touchdowns as a freshman. A second-team all-league performer and a member of the MVFC All-Newcomer Team, Davis topped the 100-yard mark in rushing four times while also seeing action as a kick returner.

Also a second-team selection was senior long snapper Bradey Sorenson. The Yankton native sat out the spring season, but previously has been honored on the all-MVFC squad.

Rounding out the list of preseason award recipients for the Jackrabbits was honorable mention selection Reece Winkelman. A senior defensive end from Marshall, Minnesota, Winkelman tied for second on the team with three sacks and finished with 25 tackles last spring.

**OLADOKUN UNDER CENTER:** Graduate transfer Chris Oladokun has taken the reins of the Jackrabbit offense at quarterback and has responded with a number of impressive performances this season.

Named the co-Missouri Valley Football Conference Newcomer of the Week following the Jackrabbits' 42-23 season-opening win at Colorado State, Oladokun accounted for three touchdowns – two passing and one rushing — in his Jackrabbit debut.

## GAME NOTES — SOUTH DAKOTA STATE at SOUTH DAKOTA

### 2021 GAME HIGHS

#### TEAM GAME HIGHS

**RUSHING ATTEMPTS:** 48, at Youngstown State, 10-30-2021  
**RUSHING YARDS:** 330, vs. Lindenwood, 9-11-2021  
**YARDS PER RUSH:** 8.0, vs. Lindenwood, 9-11-2021  
**RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS:** 5, at Youngstown State, 10-30-2021  
**PASS ATTEMPTS:** 54, vs. Northern Iowa, 10-30-2021  
**PASS COMPLETIONS:** 24, vs. Southern Illinois, 10-9-2021, and vs. Northern Iowa, 10-23-2021  
**YARDS PASSING:** 377, vs. Southern Illinois, 10-9-2021  
**YARDS PER PASS:** 12.1, vs. Lindenwood, 9-11-2021  
**PASSING TOUCHDOWNS:** 5, vs. Lindenwood, 9-11-2021  
**TOTAL PLAYS:** 79, vs. Northern Iowa, 10-23-2021  
**TOTAL OFFENSE:** 560 yards, vs. Lindenwood, 9-11-2021  
**YARDS PER PLAY:** 9.3, vs. Lindenwood, 9-11-2021  
**POSSESSION TIME:** 37:33, at Youngstown State, 10-30-2021  
**POINTS:** 55, vs. Dixie State, 10-2-2021  
**FIRST DOWNS:** 25, vs. Lindenwood, 9-11-2021  
**SACKS BY:** 4, vs. Dixie State, 10-2-2021, and at Western Illinois, 10-16-2021  
**PENALTIES:** 10, vs. Dixie State, 10-2-2021  
**PENALTY YARDS:** 110, vs. Dixie State, 10-2-2021  
**TURNOVERS BY:** 3, vs. Southern Illinois, 10-9-2021  
**TURNOVERS FORCED:** 5, vs. Dixie State, 10-2-2021  
**INTERCEPTIONS:** 4, vs. Dixie State, 10-2-2021  
**FUMBLES RECOVERED:** 2, vs. Southern Illinois, 10-9-2021

### BIG PLAYS — 20 OR MORE YARDS

PLAYER	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	TOT
Pierre Strong, Jr. (6)	5	5	2	3	15
Jaxon Janke (2)	8	3	1	1	13
Jadon Janke (1)	2	1	2	1	6
Tucker Kraft (1)	5	1	.	.	6
Zach Heins (1)	4	.	.	.	4
Amar Johnson	3	1	.	.	4
Isaiah Davis	1	1	.	.	2
Canyon Bauer	.	2	.	.	2
Tyler Feldkamp	1	.	.	.	1
Mason Leighton	1	.	.	.	1
Mike Morgan (1)	.	.	.	1	1
Chris Oladokun (1)	1	.	.	.	1
Rudy Voss	1	.	.	.	1
<b>Team Totals</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>57</b>

Number in parentheses indicates number of touchdowns covering 20 or more yards

He completed 18-of-28 passes for 224 yards and also rushed two times for 19 yards, including an 11-yard touchdown that capped the scoring for SDSU. Both of Oladokun's touchdown passes went to Jadon Janke, covering 10 and 17 yards.

In the Jackrabbits' Sept. 11 home opener against Lindenwood, Oladokun led SDSU on touchdown-scoring drives on each of the team's first five possessions, which was highlighted by him throwing four touchdown passes. Oladokun, who exited the game midway through the second quarter with the Jackrabbits leading 35-0, completed 12-of-13 passes for 171 yards and the four scores — two each to tight ends Zach Heins and Tucker Kraft.

For the season, Oladokun has completed 143-of-233 passes (61.4 percent) for 1,991 yards and 16 touchdowns against three interceptions. He threw for a season-high 358 yards Oct. 9 against Southern Illinois and had his streak of eight consecutive games with a touchdown pass end in the Nov. 6 victory over North Dakota State.

A native of Tampa, Florida, Oladokun began his collegiate career at South Florida, where he started two games in 2018 and completed 22-of-44 passes for 285 yards and three touchdowns.

He then transferred to Samford and played in 19 games with nine starts over the next two seasons. Oladokun passed for 2,064 yards and 18 touchdowns in 2019, while also rushing 127 times for 493 yards and eight touchdowns. He was Samford's starter at quarterback for the 2020-21 season opener and saw action in seven games.

Oladokun became the fourth Jackrabbit in as many seasons to start the opener at quarterback. In 2018, Taryn Christion made his third consecutive start in the first game of a season, while J'Bore Gibbs inherited the starting role in 2019. True freshman Mark Gronowski won the starting quarterback battle for the 2020-21 opener and went on to lead the Jackrabbits to the FCS national title game before suffering an injury in that game that will sideline him for the fall campaign.

**BIG-PLAY JACKS:** Through its nine games this season, the South Dakota State offense has averaged 7.1 yards per play. The Jackrabbits averaged at least 7.5 yards per play in each of their first three games, highlighted by an average of 9.3 yards per play in their Sept. 11 home opener against Lindenwood.

The Jackrabbits have 57 plays of 20 or more yards from scrimmage through nine games, the longest of which was an 85-yard touchdown run by Pierre Strong, Jr. Oct. 9 versus Southern Illinois.

Conversely, SDSU is limiting the opposition to 4.7 yards per play, including 2.8 yards per rushing attempt.

**LONGEST OF THE LONG:** Malik Lofton's 97-yard fumble return for touchdown in the third quarter of the Jackrabbits' Oct. 9 game against Southern Illinois is the longest such return on record in program history.

SDSU's Pierre Strong, Jr., also scored on an 85-yard run in the fourth quarter for the longest run of his career.

It marked the first time since a 2014 game at Indiana State that SDSU had two scoring plays of 85 or more yards in the same contest. That previous feat was accomplished in a 2014 game at Indiana State, when Jake Wieneke scored on a 91-yard pass from Austin Sumner in the third quarter and Zach Zenner tallied a 94-yard touchdown run later in the second half.

**CONTROLLING THE CLOCK:** South Dakota State held a 15-minute advantage in time of possession in its Oct. 30 victory at Youngstown State.

The Jackrabbits held the ball for 37 minutes and 33 seconds in the 47-16 road victory, compared to 22:27 by YSU. That marked the highest time of possession in a game by an SDSU squad since racking up 37:42 against Montana State in 2018.

SDSU has posted a 5-0 record in games this season in which it has led in possession time.

## 2021 GAME HIGHS

### INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

**RUSHING ATTEMPTS:** 23, by Pierre Strong, Jr.; vs. North Dakota State, 11-6-2021

**RUSHING YARDS:** 163, by Pierre Strong, Jr.; at Youngstown State, 10-30-2021

**RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS:** 2, six times by Pierre Strong, Jr. (last: vs. North Dakota State, 11-6-2021)

**LONG RUSH:** 85 yards (for TD), by Pierre Strong, Jr.; vs. Southern Illinois, 10-9-2021

**PASS ATTEMPTS:** 53, by Chris Oladokun, vs. Northern Iowa, 10-23-2021

**PASS COMPLETIONS:** 24, by Chris Oladokun, vs. Northern Iowa, 10-23-2021

**YARDS PASSING:** 358, by Chris Oladokun, vs. Southern Illinois, 10-9-2021

**TOUCHDOWN PASSES:** 4, by Chris Oladokun, vs. Lindenwood, 9-11-2021

**RECEPTIONS:** 10, by Tucker Kraft, vs. Southern Illinois, 10-9-2021

**YARDS RECEIVING:** 124, by Tucker Kraft, vs. Southern Illinois, 10-9-2021

**RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS:** 2, four times (last: by Mike Morgan, vs. Dixie State, 10-2-2021)

**LONG RECEPTION:** 55 yards, by Jaxon Janke (from Chris Oladokun), vs. Lindenwood, 9-11-2021, and by Mike Morgan (for TD from Keaton Heide), vs. Dixie State, 10-2-2021

**FIELD GOALS:** 3, by Cole Frahm, at Indiana State, 9-25-2021

**LONG FIELD GOAL:** 54 yards, by Cole Frahm, vs. Lindenwood, 9-11-2021

**PUNTS:** 5, by Ben Dinkel, vs. Northern Iowa, 10-23-2021

**PUNTING AVERAGE:** 49.5 yards (4 punts), by Hunter Dustman, vs. Dixie State, 10-2-2021

**LONG PUNT:** 63 yards, by Ben Dinkel, vs. Northern Iowa, 10-23-2021

**LONG PUNT RETURN:** 14 yards, by Tyler Feldkamp, vs. Dixie State, 10-2-2021

**LONG KICKOFF RETURN:** 28 yards, by Jadon Janke, vs. Dixie State, 10-2-2021

**TACKLES:** 17, by Adam Bock, vs. Southern Illinois, 10-9-2021

**TACKLES FOR LOSS:** 3.0, by Reece Winkelman, at Youngstown State, 10-30-2021

**SACKS:** 2.0, by Reece Winkelman, at Western Illinois, 10-16-2021

**INTERCEPTIONS:** 1, 10 times (twice by Daeton Mcgaughy, Graham Spalding and Malik Lofton)

**PASS BREAKUPS:** 2, by Adam Bock, at Colorado State, 9-3-2021, and by DyShawn Gales, at Western Illinois, 10-16-2021

**FUMBLES FORCED:** 1, eight times (twice by Adam Bock)

**FUMBLES RECOVERED:** 1, six times (twice by Malik Lofton)

**BLOCKED KICKS:** 1, by Kinser Madison, at Western Illinois, 10-16-2021, and by Adam Bock, at Youngstown State, 10-30-2021

**THIRD-DOWN EFFICIENCY:** The Jackrabbits converted a season-best 10-of-12 on third-down attempts in its win at Youngstown State on Oct. 30, a game in which SDSU never punted. Both of the failed attempts came in the second quarter and resulted in a fumble and sack — after the latter of which Cole Frahm kicked a 52-yard field goal to end the first half.

That performance came on the heels of some recent third-down struggles. SDSU had gone a combined 11-for-41 (26.8 percent) on third down in the previous three games.

**TIGHT ENDS CATCHING ON:** South Dakota State's stable of tight ends has played a key role in the passing game for the Jackrabbits this season. Combined, the trio of Tucker Kraft (5), Zach Heins (4) and Mike Morgan (2) have combined for 11 of the Jackrabbits' 21 touchdown catches so far this season.

Each of the three has a two-touchdown game this season, with Morgan recording the first two scores of his career on plays of 11 and 55 yards Oct. 2 against Dixie State.

Kraft also leads the team in total receptions with 45.

**JANKES SCORE IN TANDEM:** Twin brothers Jaxon and Jadon Janke have each tallied receiving touchdowns in the same game twice this season, marking the second and third times in their careers the wide receivers from Madison, South Dakota, have scored in the same game.

The Jankes first accomplished the feat during the 2021 season in a Sept. 25 Jackrabbit victory at Indiana State. Jadon's touchdown reception covered 33 yards in the first quarter, while Jaxon scored from 42 yards out in the second stanza. They followed the same script Oct. 16 at Western Illinois, with Jadon catching an 8-yard pass to open the scoring in the first quarter and Jaxon adding a 21-yard score to cap a 21-point third quarter.

The first time the tandem scored in the same game was against Holy Cross in the opening round of the Football Championship Subdivision playoffs this past spring. In that April 24 contest, Jadon scored twice on pass plays of 13 and 45 yards, while Jaxon opened the scoring with an 11-yard TD reception.

Jaxon Janke is nearing a couple of career milestones, entering the week with 97 receptions and 1,494 receiving yards with 12 touchdowns. Janke has topped the century mark for receiving yards in three of the last four games, including tallying six catches for 118 yards last week against North Dakota State. His 38 receptions this season rank second on the team, while his 668 receiving yards lead the squad.

Jaxon Janke has caught a pass in 30 of 32 games over the past three seasons.

**STRONG GOES FOR 4,000:** Senior Pierre Strong, Jr., became the seventh running back in South Dakota State history to reach the 3,000-yard mark for his career, reaching the milestone Sept. 11 versus Lindenwood.

A native of Little Rock, Arkansas, Strong enters the week with 3,983 career rushing yards, after passing Anthony Watson (3,712 yards from 2003-06) for fourth place on the all-time Jackrabbit charts Oct. 30 at Youngstown State. He also is fourth in career rushing touchdowns at SDSU with 36 after breaking a tie with Jerry Welch (34 rushing TDs from 1951-54) with his sixth two-touchdown game of the season last week against North Dakota State.

A senior from Little Rock, Arkansas, Strong last week also became the fourth SDSU running back to post three separate 1,000-yard seasons, joining Josh Ranek (1998-99, 2001), Kyle Minett (2008-10) and Zach Zenner (2012-14). Strong rushed for 1,116 yards in 2018, 1,018 yards in 2019 and has 1,142 yards so far this season.

**TWO RECEIVERS TOP 100:** For the first time this season, two South Dakota State receivers top the 100-yard mark in the same game. In the Oct. 9 contest against Southern Illinois, sophomore tight end Tucker Kraft set career highs with 10 catches and 124 yards, while junior wide receiver Jadon Janke added 117 receiving yards.



## JACKRABBITS IN THE 2021 NCAA STATISTICS

### TEAM (top 25)

- 4th in scoring offense, 40.7 points/game
- 4th in fewest turnovers lost, 7
- 4th in turnover margin, plus-1.00 per game
- 6th in fewest passes had intercepted, 6
- 7th in team passing efficiency, 161.17
- 8th in passing yards per completion, 14.34
- 9th in rushing defense, 92.3 yards/game
- 9th in red zone offense, .905
- 10th in total offense, 459.8 yards/game
- 11th in net punting, 40.16 yards/attempt
- 14th in rushing offense, 209.7 yards/game
- 15th in scoring defense, 17.4 points/game
- 15th in red zone defense, .696
- 15th in fewest tackles for loss allowed, 4.11/game
- 15th in fewest sacks allowed, 1.22 per game
- 18th in team tackles for loss, 7.0 per game
- 18th in defensive touchdowns, 2
- 19th in total defense, 315.9 yards/game
- 20th in fourth-down conversion pct. defense, .350
- 21st in passes intercepted, 10
- 22nd in team sacks, 2.78 per game
- 22nd in first downs offense, 195
- 25th in third-down conversion percentage, .426

### INDIVIDUAL (top 40)

#### COLE FRAHM

- T-6th in scoring, 9.3 points/game
- 13th in field goals per game, 1.56

#### JADON JANKE

- 30th in receiving touchdowns, 6
- 39th in yards per reception, 17.36

#### JAXON JANKE

- 25th in receiving yards, 686
- 28th in yards per reception, 18.05
- 33rd in receiving yards per game, 76.2

#### MALIK LOFTON

- T-6 in fumbles recovered, 2

#### CHRIS OLADOKUN

- 8th in yards per pass attempt, 8.51
- 10th in passing yards per completion, 13.92
- 14th in passing efficiency, 153.24
- 23rd in passing touchdowns, 16
- 28th in passing yards, 1,991
- 30th in points responsible for, 116
- 32nd in points responsible for per game, 12.9
- 32nd in passing yards per game, 221.2
- 38th in completion percentage, .614
- 39th in total offense, 230.3 yards/game

#### PIERRE STRONG, JR.

- 1st in rushing yards, 1,142
- 1st in rushing yards per game, 126.9
- 2nd in rushing touchdowns, 14
- 3rd in total touchdowns, 14
- 3rd in rush yards per carry, 7.61
- T-6th in scoring, 9.3 points per game
- 8th in all-purpose yards, 140.33 per game

Janke's yardage total came on only three catches as he logged receptions of 52, 46 and 19 yards — all in the first half.

Jadon Janke also had a part in the last time the Jackrabbits had a pair of receivers top the century mark, teaming with his twin brother, Jaxon, in the second game of the 2020-21 spring season — also in a losing effort — at North Dakota. In that contest, Jaxon caught seven passes for 161 yards, while Jadon hauled in five receptions for 109 yards.

**40 AND COUNTING:** South Dakota State scored 40-plus points in each of its six games this season, marking the longest such streak in program history. Previously, SDSU put together a four-game streak of 40-point games late in the 2018 season, covering the final three regular season games (Missouri State (59), Southern Illinois (57), South Dakota (49) and a playoff victory over Duquesne (51).

The Jackrabbits enter the week ranked fourth in the Football Championship Subdivision with an average of 40.7 points per game after again reaching the 40-point mark in a 47-16 victory Oct. 30 at Youngstown State

**NOTES ON A SHUTOUT:** South Dakota State recorded its first shutout since the 2015 season when it blanked Indiana State, 44-0, on Sept. 25. The Jacks' previous shutout also came on the road against a league opponent as SDSU downed Missouri State, 39-0, in a game played on Oct. 31, 2015, in Springfield, Missouri.

The shutout also was the ninth by a Jackrabbit squad under head coach John Stiegelmeier.

SDSU had its bid for back-to-back shutouts for the first time since 1962 come to an end with six seconds remaining in its Oct. 2 Beef Bowl game against Dixie State, when the Trailblazers scored on a 16-yard pass play.

**SECOND-QUARTER OUTBURSTS:** South Dakota State set a program Division I-era record when it scored 35 points in the second quarter of its Oct. 2 Beef Bowl game against Dixie State. It marked the most points in any quarter by a Jackrabbit squad since moving to the Football Championship Subdivision in 2004, surpassing the previous record of 31 in the second quarter of a 2005 game against Valparaiso.

Through nine games this season, the Jackrabbits have outscored the opposition by a 125-37 margin in the second quarter.

**TURNOVER BATTLE:** The Jackrabbits hadn't turned the ball over this season until committing three costly mistakes — two interceptions and a fumble — in an overtime loss to Southern Illinois on Oct. 9.

Up until that point, the Jackrabbits had a long stretch of taking care of the football that dated back to their run to the national championship game in the spring.

Starting with their April 17 win at North Dakota State, South Dakota State had committed only one turnover in its last nine games, with the lone miscue an interception in the national title game against Sam Houston.

Conversely, the SDSU defense forced 15 turnovers in that span, including five in an Oct. 2 victory over Dixie State. The Jackrabbits are plus-9 in turnover margin so far this year.

**BOCK SETS CAREER HIGH:** South Dakota State middle linebacker Adam Bock established a new career high with 17 tackles, including a half-sack, in the Jackrabbits' overtime loss to Southern Illinois on Oct. 9. Bock's previous high was 13 tackles last season against North Dakota State and matched versus Southern Illinois in their last matchup, an FCS playoff quarterfinal this past May.

Bock's 17 tackles are tied for sixth-most in a game by a Jackrabbit since tackles became an official NCAA statistic in 2000, and are the most by an SDSU player since Christian Rozeboom tallied 18 stops in a 2017 game at Missouri State. Bock currently leads the team with 74 tackles after the seventh double-digit-tackle performance of his career — and fourth this season — with 13 stops Nov. 6 versus North Dakota State.



## GAME NOTES — SOUTH DAKOTA STATE at SOUTH DAKOTA

### SDSU CAREER SACKS

1. Mark Dunbar, 1977-80 .....	28.0
2. Jeff Wolgamott, 1993-97 .....	27.0
3. Danny Batten, 2006-09 .....	23.0
4. Ryan Earith, 2016-19 .....	19.0
5. Eric Cohen, 1978-80 .....	18.0
6. Darwin Bishop, 1985-88 .....	17.5
Jim Remme, 1990-93 .....	17.5
Eric Schroeder, 2005-08 .....	17.5
9. Zach Carter, 1994-95, 97-98 .....	16.5
10. Kevin Tetzlaff, 1988-91 .....	15.0

**Reece Winkelman (2018-present) .....14.0**

**Caleb Sanders (2018-present) .....13.0**

Note: Sacks became an official statistic in 1978

### SDSU CAREER TACKLES FOR LOSS

1. Danny Batten, 2006-09 .....	52.5
2. Jeff Wolgamott, 1993-97 .....	52.0
3. Ted Ortale, 1985-88 .....	50.0
4. Zach Carter, 1994-95, 97-98 .....	38.0
5. Mark Dunbar, 1977-80 .....	35.0
Eric Schroeder, 2005-08 .....	35.0
7. Joey Abell, 2001-04 .....	33.5
8. Jason Aune, 1992, 94-96 .....	32.5
Eric Cohen, 1978-80 .....	32.0
10. Ryan Earith, 2016-19 .....	30.0

**Caleb Sanders (2018-present) .....29.5**

**Reece Winkelman (2018-present) .....27.5**

### SDSU CAREER FIELD GOALS

1. Parker Douglass, 2004-07 .....	62
2. Justin Syrovatka, 2011-14 .....	55
3. Chase Vinatieri, 2016-19 .....	47
4. Brett Gorden, 1995-98 .....	36
5. Peter Reifenrath, 2008-10 .....	34
<b>6. Cole Frahm, 2019-present .....</b>	<b>28</b>
7. Adam Vinatieri, 1991-94 .....	27
8. Tony Harris, 1977-80 .....	23
K.C. Johnson, 1984-86 .....	23
Keith Witt, 2002-03 .....	23

The sophomore from Solon, Iowa, also made Jackrabbit history when he returned a blocked extra-point attempt at Youngstown State for a defensive 2-point conversion. It was the third time an SDSU player scored a defensive extra point, joining Vic Sosa (1997 at Augustana) and Trey Carr (2014 at Southern Utah).

**SACK RABBITS:** South Dakota State saw its streak of notching multiple sacks in a game end at 10 games when it managed only one sack in its Nov. 6 win over North Dakota State. The streak began with a seven-sack outing against Delaware in the semi-finals of the Football Championship Subdivision playoffs in May.

As a team, the Jackrabbits have a total of 25 sacks so far this year. Their average of 2.78 sacks per game ranks 22nd among FCS teams this season.

Caleb Sanders and Reece Winkelman share the team lead with 4.5 sacks, while a total of 16 different players have recorded at least a half-sack this season.

**WINKELMAN, SANDERS NEAR TOP 10:** Senior defensive linemen Reece Winkelman and Caleb Sanders not only share the team lead in sacks this season with 4.5, but the Jackrabbit duo have nearly identical career numbers for sacks and tackles for loss as they are both on the cusp of moving into the SDSU career top 10 in those categories yet this season.

A defensive end from Marshall, Minnesota, Winkelman has tallied 14 sacks and 27.5 tackles for loss in his career. He trails Kevin Tetzlaff (15 sacks from 1988-91) for 10th place on the SDSU career sacks chart. Winkelman notched a team- and career-best 6.5 sacks during the 2019 campaign.

Sanders, a defensive tackle from Glenwood, Iowa, enters the week with 13 career sacks and 29.5 tackles for loss. The 10th spot on the career tackles for loss chart is held by former teammate Ryan Earith (30 TFLs from 2016-19).

**50-PLUS CLUB:** Cole Frahm made his second field goal of more than 50 yards this season— and third of his career — in the Oct. 30 game at Youngstown State, connecting on a 52-yarder on the final play of the first half. It was the 15th field goal of 50 or more yards in program history.

Frahm's 54-yarder earlier this season against Lindenwood is tied for the fourth-longest field goal in program history. Parker Douglass (2007) and Chase Vinatieri (2018) hold the school record with 57-yard field goals and Douglass connected on five field goals of 50-plus yards in his All-America career.

Following is a listing of the longest field goals in SDSU history:

- 57-Parker Douglass, vs. Stephen F. Austin, 2007
- 57-Chase Vinatieri, at Northern Iowa, 2018
- 55-Chase Vinatieri, vs. Northern Iowa, 2017 (FCS playoff game)
- 54-Parker Douglass, vs. UC Davis, 2005 (at Sioux Falls)
- 54-Cole Frahm, vs. Lindenwood, 2021
- 53-Parker Douglass, at Southern Utah 2006
- 52-Brett Gorden, vs. St. Cloud State, 1997
- 52-Parker Douglass, vs. Cal Poly, 2005
- 52-Parker Douglass, vs. UC Davis, 2006
- 52-Cole Frahm, vs. Youngstown State, 2020-21
- 52-Cole Frahm, at Youngstown State, 2021
- 51-Adam Vinatieri, vs. North Dakota, 1992
- 51-Adam Vinatieri, at Augustana, 1994
- 51-Chase Vinatieri, vs. Drake, 2017
- 50-Brett Gorden, at UC Davis, 1997

By Player: Parker Douglass (5); Chase Vinatieri (3); Cole Frahm (3); Brett Gorden (2); Adam Vinatieri (2).

In addition, Frahm has moved into sixth place on the SDSU career charts for field goals made with 28. After booting two field goals in the Nov. 6 win over North Dakota State, he passed Adam Vinatieri, who made 27 field goals in a Jackrabbit uniform from 1991-94.

## QUICK FACTS

### SDSU INFORMATION

**LOCATION:** Brookings, S.D.  
**ENROLLMENT:** 11,465 (fall 2021)  
**COLORS:** Yellow and Blue  
**NICKNAME:** Jackrabbits  
**AFFILIATION:** NCAA Division I Football Championship Subdivision  
**CONFERENCE:** Missouri Valley Football Conference  
**STADIUM:** Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium (19,340 capacity - AstroTurf surface)

### 2020-21 RECAP

**OVERALL RECORD:** 8-2  
**CONFERENCE RECORD:** 5-1 (tied for first place in Missouri Valley Football Conference)  
**POSTSEASON:** Reached Football Championship Subdivision national title game (seeded first)  
**HOME RECORD:** 5-0  
**AWAY/NEUTRAL RECORD:** 3-1/0-1  
**FINAL RANKINGS:** 2nd (Stats Perform media)/2nd (FCS Coaches)

### TEAM INFORMATION

**LETTERMEN RETURNING:** 54      **LETTERMEN LOST:** 5  
 • Offense: 22      • Offense: 3  
 • Defense: 22      • Defense: 2  
 • Special Teams: 3

**STARTERS RETURNING:** 22  
 • Offense: 10 • Defense: 10 • Special Teams: 2

**OFFENSIVE STARTERS RETURNING (10):** Canyon Bauer, WR; Wes Genant, C; Garret Greenfield, OT; Zach Heins, TE; Jadon Janke, WR; Jaxon Janke, WR; Aron Johnson, OT; Eagan Lickiss, OG; Mason McCormick, OG; Pierre Strong, Jr., RB.

**DEFENSIVE STARTERS RETURNING (10):** Logan Backhaus, LB; Adam Bock, LB; Don Gardner, CB; Michael Griffin II, S; Quinton Hicks, DE; Malik Lofton, CB; Joshua Manchigiah, S; Caleb Sanders, NT; Xavier Ward, DT; Reece Winkelman, DE..

**SPECIAL TEAMS STARTERS RETURNING (2):** Cole Frahm, K; Ben Dinkel, P.

**OTHER RETURNING LETTERMEN (32):** Matt Barnett, LB; Ian Bass, OL; Dalys Beanum, CB; Skyler Cavanaugh, TE; Isaiah Davis, RB; Jarod DePriest, DT; Caleb Franci, LB; DyShawn Gales, CB; Jon Gruetzmacher, OL; Keaton Heide, QB; Caden Johnson, DE; Tucker Kraft, TE; Krocket Krolikowski, DT; Mason Leighton, WR; Kinser Madison, LB; Daeton Mcgaughy, S; Edward Miller, OL; Mike Morgan, FB/TE; Thomas Motzko, LS/LB; Chase Norblade, S; Tolu Ogunrinde, DE; Cale Reeder, S; Caleb Schauf, TE; Payton Shafer, LB; Bradey Sorenson, LS; Graham Spalding, LB; Thomas Stacker, DT; Isaiah Stalbird, LB/S; Cade Terveer, DE; Jason Titus, OL; Ryan Van Marel, DT; Saiveon Williamson, LB.

For his career, Frahm is 28-for-41 on field goal tries. He has made a field goal in eight consecutive games and 17 of 19 games over the past two seasons.

**605 HOGS:** The success of the South Dakota State offense can be attributed in large part to the continuity the Jackrabbits have been able to maintain along the offensive line.

The quintet of Aron Johnson (left tackle), Mason McCormick (left guard), Wes Genant (center), Eagan Lickiss (right guard) and Garret Greenfield (right tackle) had started 17 games in a row dating back to the start of the 2020-21 spring season until the string was broken Oct. 30 at Youngstown State. In that game, senior Eddie Miller replaced Lickiss in the starting lineup at right guard and again started the next week versus North Dakota State.

**SEEING DOUBLE:** The 2021 edition of the South Dakota State football team features two sets of twin brothers.

Returning for their junior seasons are wide receivers and Madison natives Jadon and Jaxon Janke. Jaxon Janke was the team's top receiver a season ago, catching 32 passes for 473 yards and six touchdowns. He also returned punts, averaging 13.2 yards on eight attempts.

Jadon Janke was right behind in the receiving categories, hauling in 21 receptions for 425 yards and five touchdowns. His 20.2 yards per reception led the squad and four of his touchdown receptions came in postseason action.

Joining the Jackrabbits last fall were twins Aaron and Adam Kusler. The Sioux Falls tandem, who excelled at Roosevelt High School, are both redshirt freshman linebackers on this year's squad.

SDSU has another set of brothers on the team in Brookings natives and offensive linemen Eddie and Gus Miller. Eddie is a senior on this year's team, while Gus is an redshirt freshman.

**JACKS IN THE PROS:** During the summer of 2021, six former South Dakota State standouts were in training camp with National Football League teams, continuing the Jackrabbits' long tradition of developing players into pro prospects.

Headlining the list is tight end Dallas Goedert of the Philadelphia Eagles. After being drafted in the second round of the 2018 NFL Draft, Goedert has gone on to record 164 receptions for 1,866 yards and 14 touchdowns in four seasons.

While Goedert was the lone former Jackrabbit on an opening day active roster, two other recent defensive standouts were assigned to practice squads. Linebacker Christian Rozeboom has spent time on the active roster with both the Kansas City Chiefs and Los Angeles Rams this season, and cornerback Jordan Brown returned to the Las Vegas Raiders.

Rozeboom finished his Jackrabbit career as the program's all-time leading tackler and then signed as a free agent following the 2020 NFL Draft. He spent the 2020 season as a member of the Rams' practice squad.

Brown was a seventh-round choice of the Cincinnati Bengals in 2019 and also spent time on the practice squad for Jacksonville during his rookie campaign before entering 2020 training camp with the Las Vegas Raiders. He spent the latter part of the 2020 season as a practice squad player with the Washington Football Team.

The most recent former Jackrabbit with professional aspirations is wide receiver Cade Johnson, who signed as a free agent with the Seattle Seahawks after the 2021 NFL Draft. He has since been assigned to Seattle's practice squad.

Johnson set a pair of single-season school records as a member of the Jackrabbits from 2017-19. As a redshirt freshman in 2017, the Papillion, Nebraska, native established a new Jackrabbit standard with 839 kickoff return yards, returning two kickoffs for touchdowns. The following season, his first as a starting receiver, he set the SDSU single-season record with 17 touchdown catches, totaling 67 receptions for 1,332 yards.

## GAME NOTES — SOUTH DAKOTA STATE at SOUTH DAKOTA

### OVERTIME GAMES

1998:	SDSU 30, Nebraska-Omaha [2 OT] (Oct. 17, 1998, at Coughlin-Alumni Stadium)
2002:	Augustana 39, SDSU 33 [3 OT] (Oct. 19, 2002, at Sioux Falls)
2004:	Southern Utah 23, SDSU 17 [2 OT] (Nov. 13, 2004, at Cedar City, Utah)
2007:	Western Illinois 29, SDSU 26 [4 OT] (Aug. 30, 2007, at Macomb, Ill.)
2008:	McNeese State 46, SDSU 44 [3 OT] (Oct. 4, 2008, at Coughlin-Alumni Stadium)
2011:	SDSU 43, Missouri State 36 [2 OT] (Oct. 29, 2011, at Springfield, Mo.)
2013:	SDSU 37, Northern Iowa 34 [2 OT] (Oct. 26, 2013, at Coughlin-Alumni Stadium)
2015:	Western Illinois 30, SDSU 24 [2 OT] (Nov. 21, 2015, at Macomb, Ill.)
2017:	SDSU 27, Illinois State 24 [OT] (Nov. 11, 2017, at Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium)
2018:	SDSU 54, Indiana State 51 [OT] (Oct. 6, 2018, at Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium)
2021:	Southern Illinois 42, SDSU 41 [OT] (Oct. 9, 2021, at Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium)
Overall, South Dakota State is 5-6 in overtime games	

### DANA J. DYKHOUSE STADIUM RECORDS

#### YEAR-BY-YEAR RECORDS

2016	6-1
2017	7-1
2018	7-0
2019	5-3
2020-21	5-0
2021	3-2
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>33-7</b>

#### ATTENDANCE TOP 10

Oct. 26, 2019 • vs. North Dakota State	19,371
Nov. 4, 2017 • vs. North Dakota State	18,130
Nov. 6, 2021 • vs. North Dakota State	18,122
Oct. 22, 2016 • vs. Youngstown State	17,730
Oct. 23, 2021 • vs. Northern Iowa	16,889
Sept. 17, 2016 • vs. Cal Poly	16,887
Sept. 16, 2017 • vs. Drake	15,806
Nov. 12, 2016 • vs. South Dakota	15,345
Sept. 10, 2016 • vs. Drake [inaugural game]	15,171
Sept. 11, 2021 • vs. Lindenwood	15,162

In 2019, Johnson also posted his second consecutive 1,000-yard season, tallying 1,222 yards on 72 receptions. Over three seasons, he ranked third in program history for touchdown catches (28), fifth in receiving yards (2,872) and sixth in receptions (162).

He was a two-time first-team all-Missouri Valley Football Conference honoree and was selected to multiple Football Championship Subdivision All-America squads in both 2018 and 2019. Johnson was selected to play in the 2020 Reese's Senior Bowl after deciding to opt out of his senior season.

Veteran offensive lineman Bryan Witzmann is once again a free agent after being among the last cuts by the Kansas City Chiefs this summer. Witzmann returned to the Kansas City Chiefs in 2020, an organization for which he earned a starting role in 2017. He played in one game in 2020, but was assigned to the team's practice squad for much of the year, including the postseason.

Also awaiting his next opportunity is fullback and Brookings native Mikey Daniel, who spent this summer with the Carolina Panthers following a stint with Atlanta in 2020.

In addition, wide receiver Jake Wieneke caught on with the Montreal Alouettes of the Canadian Football League in 2019 and finished the year with 44 catches for 569 yards with eight touchdowns. The CFL did not compete in 2020 due to the pandemic, but Wieneke has already exceeded his 2019 totals with 49 receptions for 799 yards and nine touchdowns thus far during the 2021 campaign.

Also in the CFL is Wieneke's former teammate Taryn Christion. A Sioux Falls native, Christion is a member of the Ottawa Redblacks. He has played in four games this season and has registered 20 yards on 2-of-6 passing.

Recently announcing his retirement was former Jackrabbit standout Adam Vinatieri, who became the NFL career scoring leader in 2018 with the Indianapolis Colts.

Over Vinatieri's 24 seasons, his totals included NFL bests of 599-of-715 on field goal attempts, 83.8 percent, and 2,673 career points. He also ranks second in career extra points with 874. In all, Vinatieri set 15 NFL records, including 21 100-point seasons.

Several other former Jackrabbit players and coaches have had ties to the professional game, including:

- Steve Heiden (player from 1995-98), tight ends coach for the Arizona Cardinals;
- Reed Burckhardt (player from 2004-07), director of pro scouting for the Minnesota Vikings;
- Glen Fox (player from 2006-09), pro scout with the Arizona Cardinals;
- Shawn Mennenga (assistant coach from 2009-10), former special teams coordinator for the Cleveland Browns and Green Bay Packers;
- Trent Baalke (assistant coach from 1991-95), general manager of the Jacksonville Jaguars and formerly the GM for the San Francisco 49ers;
- Brad Seely, longtime special teams coordinator with numerous NFL teams.

**ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICANS:** South Dakota State University offensive lineman Wes Genant earned his third career selection to the CoSIDA Academic All-America Division I Football Team and linebacker Logan Backhaus also earned a spot on the honor squad as announced in July.

Genant, a senior from Parkston, was honored on the first team with a 3.89 grade-point average as a biochemistry and pre-medicine major. The Jackrabbits' starting center in all 10 games in the team's run to the Football Championship Subdivision national championship game during the 2020-21 campaign, Genant also was a first-team selection in 2018 after earning second-team recognition in 2017. He redshirted during the 2019 season while recovering from injury.

Backhaus, a senior from Spirit Lake, Iowa, holds a 3.65 grade-point average in human biology and ranked second on the team with 72 tackles during the 2020-21 spring season. He posted a team-high 9.5 tackles for loss, also contributing two sacks, an interception and a forced fumble.

Genant is the fourth Jackrabbit football student-athlete to earn CoSIDA Academic All-America honors three times, joining Paul Kippley (1978-80), Kyle Minett (2008-10) and Zach Zenner (2012-14).

## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

### COACHES

John Stiegelmeier	STIG-el-mey-er
Zach Lujan	LOO-honn
Luke Schleusner	SHLICE-ner

### PLAYERS

Steven Arrell	ah-RELL
Logan Backhaus	BACK-huss
Max Baloun	bah-LOON
Evan Beerntsen	BEARNT-sen
Matthew Borowicz	BORE-oh-wits
Josh Buri	burr-EYE
Matthew Durrance	durr-ANTS
Mitch Eichacker	EYE-ah-kerr
Cole Frahm	fromm
Caleb Franci	FRANCE-ill
Wes Genant	juh-NANT
J'Bore Gibbs	juh-BORE-ay
Grahm Goering	GORE-ing
Jon Gruetzmacher	GRITS-mock-er
Keaton Heide	HY-dee
Zach Heins	HINES
Colby Huerter	HURT-er
Jadon/Jaxon Janke	YON-key
Amar Johnson	ah-MARR
Randy Keumogne	key-MOAN-yay
Krockett Krolkowski	crow-lah-COW-ski
Aaron/Adam Kusler	COOSE-ler
Mason Leighton	LAY-ton
Joshua Manchigiah	manch-ah-GUY-ah
Daeton Mcgaughy	mc-GOY
Tolu Ogunrinde	TOE-loo oh-GURN-day
Chris Oladokun	oh-la-DOE-kun
Isaiah Stalbird	STALL-bird
Ryan Van Marel	van-MARR-ill
Xavier Ward	EX-zay-vee-ir
Saiveon Williamson	SAY-vee-on

SDSU has placed at least one player on the squad in 14 of the last 16 seasons, including multiple selections 12 times. Overall, SDSU football student-athletes have received Academic All-America recognition from CoSIDA 42 times since 1974.

The Academic All-America program recognizes the nation's top student-athletes for their combined performances on the field and in the classroom. Candidates, who are first nominated and honored at the district level, must be at least a sophomore in athletic and academic standing, a starter or key reserve, and carry at least a 3.3 GPA.

Genant and Backhaus were joined on the Academic All-District Team by cornerback DyShawn Gales, linebacker Preston Tetzlaff and defensive end Reece Winkelman.

**DANA J. DYKHOUSE STADIUM:** Jackrabbit football moved into a new home in September of 2016 with the completion of Dana J. Dykhous Stadium.

The stadium, which was constructed in phases on the site of SDSU's previous home field, Coughlin-Alumni Stadium, seats 19,340 spectators and cost \$65 million to build. The stadium is being funded through private gifts and long-term revenue streams, including concessions and suite, loge box and ticket sales. Bonds are financing nearly two-thirds of the project's construction, with the remaining dollars coming from private support. Lead gifts totaling \$12.5 million from former Jackrabbit football player and Sioux Falls banker Dana Dykhous and philanthropist T. Denny Sanford were announced in October 2013.

The stadium officially opened Sept. 8, 2016, featuring a concert by country music superstars Luke Bryan, Little Big Town and Lee Brice as part of the Jacks Bash opening weekend. The first football game was two days later, on Sept. 10, when the Jackrabbits defeated Drake, 56-28.

Jacks Bash 2 was held this past Sept. 8 and included a musical lineup of Zac Brown Band, Fall Out Boy and Gabby Barrett.

SDSU has gone on to post a 32-7 record at Dana J. Dykhous Stadium during its first five-plus seasons of operation, including a 7-1 mark in FCS playoff games.

The Jackrabbits went undefeated at home in 2018 at 7-0 and again during the 2020-21 spring season with a 5-0 mark. SDSU has won its last six games at the stadium.

Dana J. Dykhous Stadium was designed by Kansas City-based Crawford Architects, with the construction firm JE Dunn serving as the project manager at risk and Henry Carlson Company of Sioux Falls serving as general contractor.

The stadium won the 2017 Alliant Build America Award from the Associated General Contractors of America South Dakota Building Chapter.

**STIG SHOW:** The John Stiegelmeier Radio Show airs Monday nights throughout the 2021 season.

The weekly, hour-long show begins at 6 p.m. Central Time and originates in front of a live audience once again at Cubby's Sports Bar and Grill in downtown Brookings. Hosted by Tyler Merriam, the show airs along the Jackrabbit Sports Network, including flagship station WNAX 570 AM, and can be heard through the Jackrabbit app and online at GoJacks.com.

Weekly segments include interviews with Jackrabbit head coach John Stiegelmeier, student-athletes and others associated with SDSU football. Fans can submit questions through social media platforms and fans in attendance can register for weekly prizes.

**A LOOK AHEAD:** The Jackrabbits are set to close the regular season by hosting the University of North Dakota on Nov. 20. Kickoff for the Hall of Fame Game is set for 2 p.m. at Dana J. Dykhous Stadium.

The game also is designated as Military Appreciation Day and the Jackrabbit senior class will be honored prior to the game.



## SOUTH DAKOTA 24, #5/5 SDSU 21

Nov. 23, 2019 • DakotaDome (Att.: 5,405)

VERMILLION – Fifth-ranked South Dakota State turned the ball over four times in falling to in-state rival South Dakota, 24-21, in the regular season finale for both teams Nov. 23 at the DakotaDome.

The Jackrabbits wrapped up the regular season with an 8-4 overall record, including a 5-3 mark in the Missouri Valley Football Conference.

SDSU scored on its opening possession of the game, marching 80 yards on nine plays. A 54-yard catch and run by Cade Johnson put the Jackrabbits deep into USD territory before Kallan Hart capped the drive with a 2-yard touchdown catch on a pass from Keaton Heide.

USD, 5-7 overall and 4-4 in the MVFC, gained its first lead of the game by scoring all 10 points of the second quarter. Mason Lorber booted a 39-yard field goal on the first play of the second quarter to put the Coyotes on the board.

After the Jackrabbits' second lost fumble of the game late in the period, USD cashed in with an 11-play, 34-yard touchdown drive. The Coyotes converted twice on third down and opted to go for it on fourth-and-goal from the SDSU 1 in the closing seconds of the half, with Austin Simmons finding Brett Samson in the back of the end zone for USD's first touchdown of the game.

SDSU regained the lead on the opening drive of the second half as Mikey Daniel burst through the line untouched for a 27-yard touchdown run to finish off a seven-play, 71-yard drive.

The rest of the third quarter belonged to the Coyotes, who scored a pair of touchdowns to take a 24-14 lead into the final stanza. Simmons scored from 2 yards out for the first score, followed by a 21-yard touchdown pass to Lorber. Both scores were set up by long passes to Kody Case – 44 yards on the first drive and 35 yards on the second. Case finished the game with five receptions for 111 yards.

The Jackrabbits pulled back to within 24-21 early in the fourth quarter on an 8-yard pass from Keaton to fullback Luke Sellers. It was Sellers' first career touchdown.

Defensively, SDSU held the Coyotes without a first down in the fourth quarter, forcing punts on all three possessions.

However, the Jackrabbits turned the ball over on downs on one of their final three possessions and lost a pair of fumbles, including one at the USD 30 midway through the fourth quarter. The final turnover came on a failed hook-and-lateral at midfield in the final seconds.

SDSU finished with a 498-369 advantage in total offense. Heide completed 26-of-35 passes for 308 yards, while Johnson ended the afternoon with game highs of 10 catches and 139 yards to lead the receiving corps.

Daniel finished with a career-high 125 yards on 17 carries.

For USD, Simmons completed 20-of-32 passes for 252 yards and also led the Coyotes in rushing with 47 yards on 16 carries. In addition to his two touchdown receptions, Samson totaled six receptions for 71 yards.

Christian Rozeboom notched a game-high 14 tackles for the Jackrabbits as he topped the 100-tackle mark for the fourth year in a row. Levi Brown and Michael Griffin II each were credited with four stops.

Jack Cochrane paced USD with 11 tackles, including one of the Coyotes' four sacks.



Senior fullback Luke Sellers scored his first career touchdown on an 8-yard pass from Keaton Heide in the fourth quarter of the regular season finale at South Dakota.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	FINAL
South Dakota State (8-4, 5-3)	7	0	7	7	21
South Dakota (5-7, 4-4)	0	10	14	0	24

### SCORING SUMMARY

1st	6:25	SDSU	– Kallan Hart 2 yd pass from Keaton Heide (Chase Vinatieri kick)
2nd	14:54	USD	– Mason Lorber 39 yd field goal
	00:08	USD	– Brett Samson 1 yd pass from Austin Simmons (Lorber kick)
3rd	11:44	SDSU	– Mikey Daniel 27 yd run (Vinatieri kick)
	9:34	USD	– Simmons 2 yd run (Lorber kick)
	2:26	USD	– Samson 21 yd pass from Simmons (Lorber kick)
4th	13:19	SDSU	– Luke Sellers 8 yd pass from Heide (Vinatieri kick)

### TEAM STATISTICS

	SDSU	USD
FIRST DOWNS	21	18
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	34-191	40-117
PASSING YDS (NET)	307	252
Passes Att-Comp-Int	37-28-0	33-20-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	71-498	73-369
Fumble Returns-Yards	1-(-1)	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	2-12	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-78	0-0
Interception Returns-Yards	1-0	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-38.5	7-46.1
Fumbles-Lost	4-4	0-0
Penalties-Yards	6-57	5-33
Possession Time	33:25	26:35
Third-Down Conversions	8 of 15	6 of 17
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 2	2 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-2	2-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-8	4-21

**RUSHING LEADERS:** SDSU-Mikey Daniel 17-125; Devin Blakley 4-28; Cade Johnson 1-26. USD-Austin Simmons 16-47; Cannan Brooks 11-37; Travis Theis 10-32. **PASSING LEADERS:** SDSU-Keaton Heide 26-35-0 308; Mikey Daniel 2-2-0 (-1). USD-Austin Simmons 20-32-1 252; Ben Klett 0-1-0 0. **RECEIVING LEADERS:** SDSU-Cade Johnson 10-139; Adam Anderson 5-62; Jaxon Janke 3-42; Blake Kunz 3-27; Devin Blakley 3-22. USD-Brett Samson 6-71; Kody Case 5-111; Dakarai Allen 4-25; Connor Herrmann 2-25. **INTERCEPTIONS:** SDSU - Logan Backhaus 1-0. USD-none. **SACKS:** SDSU - Reece Winkelman 1.0-8. USD-Jake Richardson 1.0-7; Jack Cochrane 1.0-5; Jake Matthew 1.0-5; Kameron Cline 1.0-4. **TACKLE LEADERS (UA-A-TOT):** SDSU-Christian Rozeboom 11-3-14; Michael Griffin II 4-0-4; Levi Brown 4-0-4. USD-Jack Cochrane 7-4-11; Elijah Reed 9-1-10; Isaiah McDaniels 8-1-9.

# DEPTH CHART vs. SOUTH DAKOTA

## OFFENSE

<b>LT</b>	71	ARON JOHNSON, 6-6, 300, *Sr., Chisago City, Minn.
	72	Jason Titus, 6-5, 295, *Sr., Andover, Minn.
<b>LG</b>	60	MASON McCORMICK, 6-4, 310, Jr., Sioux Falls, S.D.
	56	EAGAN LICKISS, 6-4, 310, Sr., Indianola, Iowa
<b>C</b>	77	WES GENANT, 6-4, 300, Sr., Parkston, S.D.
	78	Adam White, 6-4, 275, R-Fr., DeForest, Wis.
<b>RG</b>	54	Eddie Miller, 6-5, 315, Sr., Brookings, S.D.
	50	Gus Miller, 6-3, 280, R-Fr., Brookings, S.D.
<b>RT</b>	74	GARRET GREENFIELD, 6-6, 295, Jr., Rock Valley, Iowa
	76	Bo Donald, 6-6, 295, So., Kimball, S.D.
or	75	Jon Gruetzmacher, 6-8, 315, Sr., Merrill, Wis.
<b>TE</b>	87	ZACH HEINS, 6-7, 250, Jr., Sioux Falls, S.D.
	82	Caleb Schauf, 6-5, 245, Sr., Sparta, Wis.
<b>TE</b>	85	Tucker Kraft, 6-5, 255, So., Timber Lake, S.D.
	34	Mike Morgan, 6-3, 235, Sr., Jr., New Lenox, Ill.
<b>WR</b>	4	CANYON BAUER, 6-0, 195, So., Sioux Falls, S.D.
(Z-Back)	8	Tyler Feldkamp, 6-0, 185, Fr., Sioux Falls, S.D.
<b>WR</b>	9	JADON JANKE, 6-3, 205, Jr., Madison, S.D.
(X-Back)	83	A.J. Coons, 6-4, 210, R-Fr., Solon, Iowa
or	86	Devon Cole Jr., 5-9, 165, R-Fr., Clermont, Fla.
<b>WR</b>	10	JAXON JANKE, 6-3, 210, Jr., Madison, S.D.
(W-Back)	19	Mason Leighton, 5-9, 175, *Sr., Madison, S.D.
<b>QB</b>	6	Chris Oladokun, 6-2, 195, Grad., Tampa, Fla.
	13	Keaton Heide, 6-3, 200, Jr., Wayzata, Minn.
	1	Rudy Voss, 6-3, 205, R-Fr., Lakefield, Minn.
<b>RB</b>	20	PIERRE STRONG, JR., 5-11, 205, Sr., Little Rock, Ark.
	3	Amar Johnson, 5-11, 180, Fr., O'Fallon, Mo.
or	22	Isaiah Davis, 6-1, 220, So., Joplin, Mo.

Returning starters indicated in CAPS

\* Denotes student-athlete has additional year of eligibility remaining past 2021 season

## DEFENSE

<b>DE</b>	97	REECE WINKELMAN, 6-4, 245, *Sr., Marshall, Minn.
	90	Randy Keumogne, 6-3, 230, So., Oakdale, Minn.
	53	Caden Johnson, 6-3, 235, So., Wahoo, Neb.
<b>NT</b>	99	CALEB SANDERS, 6-1, 270, *Sr., Glenwood, Iowa
	55	Thomas Stacker, 6-4, 275, Sr., Chicago, Ill.
	98	Ryan Van Marel, 6-4, 280, Jr., Sheldon, Iowa
<b>DT</b>	91	XAVIER WARD, 6-2, 275, Sr., Freeman, S.D.
	69	Krockett Krolikowski, 6-2, 285, *Sr., Winner, S.D.
	52	Jarod DePriest, 6-5, 270, So., Trivoli, Ill.
<b>DE</b>	22	Tolu Ogunrinde, 6-1, 265, Sr., Cottage Grove, Minn.
	94	Cade Terveer, 6-3, 250, Jr., Brandon, S.D.
	48	Quinton Hicks, 6-3, 245, Jr., Wichita, Kan.
<b>LB</b>	12	LOGAN BACKHAUS, 6-4, 210, Sr., Spirit Lake, Iowa
(Will)	29	Graham Spalding, 6-1, 205, So., Oviedo, Fla.
	42	Davion Sterner, 6-0, 190, R-Fr., Alford, Iowa
<b>LB</b>	32	ADAM BOCK, 6-1, 215, So., Solon, Iowa
(Mike)	57	Kinser Madison, 6-2, 210, Jr., Higginsville, Mo.
or	30	Payton Shafer, 6-0, 210, Jr., Cottage Grove, Minn.
<b>LB</b>	2	Isaiah Stalbird, 6-1, 200, Jr., Kearney, Neb.
(Sam)	16	Caleb Francl, 6-0, 185, So., Grand Island, Neb.
	11	Matt Barnett, 6-3, 200, So., Cedar Rapids, Iowa
<b>LCB</b>	1	MALIK LOFTON, 5-10, 190, *Sr., Crystal, Minn.
or	21	DON GARDNER, 6-1, 180, Sr., Chicago, Ill.
	26	Steven Arrell, 6-2, 190, R-Fr., Brooklyn Park, Minn.
<b>FS</b>	25	Cale Reeder, 6-0, 180, So., Yorkville, Ill.
	35	Chase Norblade, 6-1, 185, Jr., Papillion, Neb.
	14	Colby Huerter, 6-1, 195, Fr., Katy, Texas
<b>SS</b>	6	MICHAEL GRIFFIN II, 6-0, 215, Sr., Cottage Grove, Minn.
	3	JOSHUA MANCHIGIAH, 6-0, 205, *Sr., Papillion, Neb.
	23	Matthew Durance, 6-2, 195, Fr., Lutz, Fla.
<b>RCB</b>	5	DyShawn Gales, 5-11, 190, So., North Chicago, Ill.
	7	Dalys Beanum, 6-1, 185, So., Omaha, Neb.
	39	Aydan Dautermann, 6-2, 185, Fr., Hartford, Wis.

## SPECIAL TEAMS

<b>Snaps</b>	45	Bradey Sorenson, 6-2, 235, Sr., Yankton, S.D.
	33	Thomas Motzko, 6-0, 230, So., Highland Park, Ill.
<b>Holder</b>	13	Keaton Heide, 6-3, 200, Jr., Wayzata, Minn.
	49	Ben Dinkel, 5-10, 220, *Sr., Kearney, Neb.
<b>PK</b>	97	Cole Frahm, 6-5, 230, *Sr., Omaha, Neb.
	10	Hunter Dustman, 6-3, 230, So., East Bethel, Minn.
<b>P</b>	10	Hunter Dustman, 6-3, 230, So., East Bethel, Minn.
or	49	BEN DINKEL, 5-10, 220, *Sr., Kearney, Neb.
<b>KO</b>	97	Cole Frahm, 6-5, 230, *Sr., Omaha, Neb.
	10	Hunter Dustman, 6-3, 230, So., East Bethel, Minn.
<b>KOR</b>	9	Jadon Janke, 6-3, 205, Jr., Madison, S.D.
	86	Devon Cole Jr., 5-9, 165, R-Fr., Clermont, Fla.
<b>KOR</b>	3	Amar Johnson, 5-11, 180, Fr., O'Fallon, Mo.
	20	Pierre Strong, Jr., 5-11, 205, *Sr., Little Rock, Ark.
<b>PR</b>	8	Tyler Feldkamp, 6-0, 185, Fr., Sioux Falls, S.D.
	10	JAXON JANKE, 6-3, 210, Jr., Madison, S.D.

## COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: John Stiegelmeier [F]  
 Assistant Head Coach/Co-Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers: Jimmy Rogers [F]  
 Co-Defensive Coordinator/Safeties: Brian Bergstrom [B]  
 Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line: Jason Eck [B]  
 Passing Game Coordinator/Wide Receivers: Luke Schleusner [B]  
 Special Teams Coordinator/Cornerbacks: Rob Erickson [F]

Running Backs: Andre Crenshaw [F]  
 Quarterbacks: Zach Lujan [B]  
 Tight Ends: Ryan Olson [F]  
 Defensive Line: Christian Smith [F]  
 Assistant Defensive Line: Spencer Erickson [B]  
 Graduate Assistants/Quality Control: Luke Munstersteiger, C.J. Butt, Derik Dillon



# South Dakota State University JACKRABBITS

## 2021 Football Roster

No.	NAME	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr	HOMETOWN	No.	NAME	Pos	Ht	Wt	Yr	HOMETOWN
1	Malik Lofton	CB	5-10	190	*Sr.	Crystal, Minn.	45	Bradey Sorenson	LS	6-2	235	Sr.	Yankton, S.D.
1	Rudy Voss	QB	6-3	205	R-Fr.	Lakefield, Minn.	47	Michael Drotzmann	P	6-3	210	So.	Yankton, S.D.
2	J'Bore Gibbs	QB	6-3	215	Jr.	Chicago, Ill.	48	Quinton Hicks	DE	6-3	245	Jr.	Wichita, Kan.
2	Isaiah Stalbird	LB/S	6-1	200	Jr.	Kearney, Neb.	48	Jaden Mueller	LS	6-1	205	So.	Johnston, Iowa
3	Joshua Manchigiah	S	6-0	205	*Sr.	Papillion, Neb.	49	Ben Dinkel	P	5-10	220	*Sr.	Kearney, Neb.
3	Amar Johnson	RB	5-11	180	Fr.	O'Fallon, Mo.	50	Noah Jessup	DE	6-5	225	Fr.	Franklin, Wis.
4	Canyon Bauer	WR	6-0	195	So.	Sioux Falls, S.D.	50	Gus Miller	OL	6-3	280	R-Fr.	Brookings, S.D.
5	DyShawn Gales	CB	5-11	190	So.	North Chicago, Ill.	52	Jarod DePriest	DT	6-5	270	So.	Trivoli, Ill.
5	Landon Wolf	WR	5-11	175	Grad.	Tulsa, Okla.	53	Caden Johnson	DE	6-3	235	So.	Wahoo, Neb.
6	Michael Griffin II	S	6-0	215	Sr.	Cottage Grove, Minn.	54	Eddie Miller	OL	6-5	315	Sr.	Brookings, S.D.
6	Chris Oladokun	QB	6-2	195	Grad.	Tampa, Fla.	54	Chandler Carter	DE	6-5	245	Fr.	Chandler, Ariz.
7	Dalys Beanum	CB	6-1	185	So.	Omaha, Neb.	55	Thomas Stacker	DT	6-4	275	Sr.	Chicago, Ill.
8	Daeton Mcgaughy	S	6-0	210	So.	Elwood, Kan.	56	Eagan Lickiss	OL	6-4	310	Sr.	Indianola, Iowa
8	Tyler Feldkamp	WR	6-0	185	Fr.	Sioux Falls, S.D.	56	Levi Vanden Bos	DE	6-3	225	Fr.	Rock Valley, Iowa
9	Jadon Janke	WR	6-3	205	Jr.	Madison, S.D.	57	Kinser Madison	LB	6-2	210	Jr.	Higginsville, Mo.
10	Jaxon Janke	WR	6-3	210	Jr.	Madison, S.D.	58	Alex Westendorf	OL	6-5	290	So.	South Elgin, Ill.
10	Hunter Dustman	K/P	6-3	230	So.	East Bethel, Minn.	59	Jalen Lee	OL	6-2	305	R-Fr.	Robbins, Ill.
11	Matt Barnett	LB	6-3	200	So.	Cedar Rapids, Iowa	60	Mason McCormick	OL	6-4	310	Jr.	Sioux Falls, S.D.
11	Mark Gronowski	QB	6-3	220	So.	Naperville, Ill.	61	Evan Beerntsen	OL	6-4	285	So.	De Pere, Wis.
12	Logan Backhaus	LB	6-4	210	Sr.	Spirit Lake, Iowa	62	Derrick Brown	OL	6-5	295	Fr.	Mesa, Ariz.
12	Regan Bollweg	TE	6-3	220	Fr.	Highmore, S.D.	63	Ethan Eilers	OL	6-5	265	Fr.	West Burlington, Iowa
13	Keaton Heide	QB	6-3	200	Jr.	Wayzata, Minn.	64	Ethan Vibert	OL	6-4	290	So.	Regina, Saskatchewan
13	Chris Rhodes	CB	6-0	170	Fr.	Independence, Mo.	65	Matthew Borowicz	DT	6-4	285	Jr.	Lakeville, Minn.
14	Colby Huerter	S	6-1	195	Fr.	Katy, Texas	66	Brady Beck	OL	6-8	290	So.	Sioux Falls, S.D.
15	Timothy Croskey	CB	6-0	170	Fr.	Buckeye, Ariz.	69	Krockett Krolikowski	DT	6-2	285	*Sr.	Winner, S.D.
16	Jon Bell	QB	6-3	185	Fr.	Naperville, Ill.	70	Colby Christensen	OL	6-8	260	R-Fr.	West Des Moines, Iowa
16	Caleb Franci	LB	6-0	185	So.	Grand Island, Neb.	71	Aron Johnson	OL	6-6	300	*Sr.	Chisago City, Minn.
17	Cade Rice	QB	6-3	210	Fr.	Springfield, Ohio	72	Jason Titus	OL	6-5	295	*Sr.	Andover, Minn.
17	Abraham Hoskins III	CB	6-2	185	R-Fr.	Omaha, Neb.	73	Coby Maeschen	DT	6-3	225	Fr.	Dell Rapids, S.D.
18	Graham Goering	WR	6-2	190	Fr.	Iowa City, Iowa	74	Garret Greenfield	OL	6-6	295	Jr.	Rock Valley, Iowa
19	Mason Leighton	WR	5-9	180	*Sr.	Madison, S.D.	75	Jon Gruetzmacher	OL	6-8	315	*Sr.	Merrill, Wis.
19	Jaden Crockett	S	6-0	170	Fr.	Laveen, Ariz.	76	Bo Donald	OL	6-6	295	So.	Kimball, S.D.
20	Pierre Strong, Jr.	RB	5-11	205	*Sr.	Little Rock, Ark.	77	Wes Genant	OL	6-4	300	Sr.	Parkston, S.D.
20	Myles Taylor	CB	6-1	180	Fr.	Gilbert, Ariz.	77	Aaron Wolfcale-Holsten	DT	6-2	285	Fr.	Gilbert, Ariz.
21	Don Gardner	CB	6-1	180	Sr.	Chicago, Ill.	78	Adam White	OL	6-4	275	R-Fr.	DeForest, Wis.
21	Angel Johnson	WR	5-10	185	Fr.	Irene, S.D.	79	Jhareth Bloomerader	OL	6-6	285	So.	Highmore, S.D.
22	Tolu Ogunrinde	DE	6-1	265	Sr.	Cottage Grove, Minn.	80	Nate Sullivan Jr.	WR	6-2	210	R-Fr.	Bellevue, Neb.
22	Isaiah Davis	RB	6-1	220	So.	Joplin, Mo.	81	Skyler Cavanaugh	TE	6-5	240	Sr.	Vail, Ariz.
23	Matthew Durrance	S	6-2	195	Fr.	Lutz, Fla.	82	Caleb Schauf	TE	6-5	245	*Sr.	Sparta, Wis.
24	Cade Reynolds	LB	6-2	205	Fr.	Daphne, Ala.	83	A.J. Coons	WR	6-4	210	R-Fr.	Solon, Iowa
25	Cale Reeder	S	6-0	180	So.	Yorkville, Ill.	84	Reece Burckhard	TE	6-8	235	Fr.	Aberdeen, S.D.
26	Steven Arrell	CB	6-2	190	R-Fr.	Brooklyn Park, Minn.	85	Tucker Kraft	TE	6-5	255	So.	Timber Lake, S.D.
27	Corben Mahaffy	K	5-11	175	R-Fr.	Piedmont, S.D.	86	Devon Cole Jr.	WR	5-9	165	R-Fr.	Clermont, Fla.
28	Daxon Lindholm	RB	5-11	175	Fr.	Glendale, Ariz.	87	Zach Heins	TE	6-7	250	Jr.	Sioux Falls, S.D.
29	Graham Spalding	LB	6-1	205	So.	Oviedo, Fla.	88	Brandon Lane Jr.	DT	6-2	290	R-Fr.	Kansas City, Mo.
30	Payton Shafer	LB	6-0	210	Jr.	Cottage Grove, Minn.	89	Wyatt Seagren	TE	6-7	245	R-Fr.	Oakland, Neb.
31	Patrick Hoffmann	WR	6-1	200	R-Fr.	Naperville, Ill.	90	Randy Keumogne	DE	6-3	230	So.	Oakdale, Minn.
32	Adam Bock	LB	6-1	215	So.	Solon, Iowa	91	Xavier Ward	DT	6-2	275	Sr.	Freeman, S.D.
33	Thomas Motzko	LB	6-0	230	So.	Highland Park, Ill.	92	Kevin Brenner	DE	6-3	240	So.	Silver Lake, Wis.
34	Mike Morgan	TE/FB	6-3	235	Jr.	New Lenox, Ill.	93	Max Baloun	DE	6-6	245	R-Fr.	Redfield, S.D.
34	Ryan Swoger	S	6-2	175	Fr.	Tucson, Ariz.	94	Cade Terveer	DE	6-3	250	Jr.	Brandon, S.D.
35	Chase Norblade	S	6-1	185	Jr.	Papillion, Neb.	95	Zac Wilson	DE	6-3	235	So.	Chipley, Fla.
36	Michael Paulson	WR	6-3	185	Fr.	Sioux Falls, S.D.	96	Mitch Eichacker	DE	6-4	235	R-Fr.	Sioux Falls, S.D.
37	Tucker Large	S	5-11	170	Fr.	Sioux Falls, S.D.	97	Reece Winkelman	DE	6-4	245	*Sr.	Marshall, Minn.
38	Josh Buri	RB	5-11	210	Fr.	Stewartville, Minn.	97	Cole Frahm	K	6-5	230	*Sr.	Omaha, Neb.
39	Aydan Dautermann	CB	6-2	185	Fr.	Hartford, Wis.	98	Ryan Van Marel	DT	6-4	280	Jr.	Sheldon, Iowa
40	Aaron Kusler	LB	6-2	220	R-Fr.	Sioux Falls, S.D.	99	Caleb Sanders	DT	6-1	270	*Sr.	Glenwood, Iowa
42	Davion Sterner	LB	6-0	190	R-Fr.	Alvord, Iowa	99	Jack Green	K	6-1	190	Fr.	Rapid City, S.D.
43	Adam Kusler	LB	6-3	215	R-Fr.	Sioux Falls, S.D.							
44	Saiveon Williamson	LB	6-1	205	Jr.	Waseca, Minn.							

\*denotes student-athlete has additional year of eligibility remaining after 2021 season





# JOHN STIEGELMEIER

## Head Coach

**25th Season (181-109 record — all at SDSU)**

**Alma Mater: South Dakota State, 1979**

### FOOTBALL HONORS AND RECORDS:

- Ranks first on SDSU career football coaching victories list with 181-109 record (.624 winning percentage) in 25 seasons — passed Ralph Ginn, who compiled a 113-89-9 record in 22 seasons from 1947-68, with 41-3 victory over UW-Oshkosh on Sept. 20, 2014
- Has led teams to winning records in 20 of his 24 full seasons, including 15 of 17 at the Division I Football Championship Subdivision level
- Since moving to the Football Championship Subdivision in 2004, the Jackrabbits have a 139-76 overall record (.647 winning percentage)
- His 75 victories in Missouri Valley Football Conference play rank second in league history, while his 113 overall wins since joining the league in 2008 are third among all-time league coaches
- 1999 North Central Conference Coach of the Year
- 2007 Great West Football Conference Coach of the Year after leading SDSU to first conference title in 44 years
- 2007 American Football Coaches Association FCS Region 5 Coach of the Year
- Liberty Mutual Coach of the Year Finalist in 2007 and 2009
- 2014 recipient of the Ralph Ginn Award for Coaching Excellence at South Dakota State University
- 2015 finalist for STATS FCS Coach of the Year Award
- 2016 Bruce Craddock Missouri Valley Football Conference Coach of the Year after leading team to first MVFC title
- 2016 AFCA FCS Region 4 Coach of the Year
- Led SDSU to share of MVFC title during the 2020-21 spring season

### PLAYOFF EXPERIENCE:

- Has led Jackrabbits to 10 FCS playoff appearances (2009, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020-21) and has an 11-10 playoff record
- SDSU hosted playoff games in 2012, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020-21
- The Jackrabbits reached the FCS semifinals in 2017, 2018 and 2020-21, and the national championship game in 2020-21
- SDSU has been a top-eight seed each of the last five seasons and was the No. 1 seed in 2020-21
- Served as a student assistant on SDSU's lone NCAA Division II playoff-qualifying team in 1979

### OTHER NOTES:

- The Jackrabbits have compiled a 114-34 (.770) home record in Coach Stig's 25 seasons as head coach
- SDSU has a 237-148 (.616) overall record since Coach Stig joined the coaching staff as an full-time assistant in 1988 and has posted a winning record in 27 of 33 full seasons
- Served as secondary coach and recruiting coordinator from 1988-90 under Wayne Haensel
- Served as defensive coordinator from 1991-96 under Mike Daly
- Jackrabbit student-athletes have earned CoSIDA Academic All-America recognition 29 times during his tenure
- SDSU received the MVFC Team Academic Award each of its first nine seasons in the league

### MILESTONE WINS:

- No. 1: SDSU 17, UC Davis 7 [first game as head coach] (Sept. 13, 1997 at Davis, Calif.)
- No. 2 [first home win and first NCC victory]: SDSU 20, St. Cloud State 16 (Oct. 11, 1997, at Brookings)
- No. 25: SDSU 34, Ferris State (Mich.) 24 (Sept. 1, 2001, at Brookings)
- No. 45 [first win over FCS opponent]: SDSU 31, Southern (La.) 24 (Sept. 25, 2004, at Baton Rouge, La.)
- No. 50: SDSU 69, Valparaiso (Ind.) 6 (Sept. 10, 2005, at Brookings)
- No. 69 [first MVFC victory]: SDSU 40, Youngstown State 7 (Sept. 6, 2008, at Brookings)
- No. 75: SDSU 25, North Dakota State 24 (Nov. 22, 2008, at Fargo, N.D.)
- No. 100: SDSU 16, Southern Illinois 12 (Nov. 3, 2012, at Carbondale, Ill.)
- No. 102 [first playoff victory]: SDSU 58, Eastern Illinois 10 (Nov. 24, 2012, at Brookings)
- No. 113 [SDSU record-tying victory]: SDSU 26, Southern Utah 6 (Sept. 13, 2014, at Cedar City, Utah)
- No. 114 [SDSU record-breaking victory]: SDSU 41, UW-Oshkosh 3 (Sept. 20, 2014, at Brookings)
- No. 125: SDSU 38, Youngstown State 8 (Oct. 17, 2015, at Youngstown, Ohio)
- No. 136 [clinch first MVFC title]: SDSU 45, Northern Iowa 24 (Nov. 19, 2016, at Cedar Falls, Iowa)
- No. 142 [100th win as FCS program]: SDSU 62, Missouri State 30 (Oct. 21, 2017, at Springfield, Mo.)
- No. 150: SDSU 90, Arkansas-Pine Bluff 6 (Sept. 15, 2018, at Brookings)
- No. 171 [clinch share of MVFC title]: SDSU 27, North Dakota State 17 (April 17, 2021, at Fargo, N.D.)
- No. 175: SDSU 42, Colorado State 23 (Sept. 3, 2021, at Fort Collins, Colo.)

## COACH STIG'S YEAR-BY-YEAR RECORDS

### NORTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE

YEAR	OVERALL	CONF
1997	4-6	3-6
1998	6-5	5-4
1999	8-3	6-3
2000	6-5	4-5
2001	5-6	4-4
2002	6-4	4-4
2003	7-4	4-3
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>42-33</b>	<b>30-29</b>

### GREAT WEST FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

YEAR	OVERALL	CONF
2004	6-5	2-3
2005	6-5	3-2
2006	7-4	3-1
2007	7-4	4-0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>26-18</b>	<b>12-6</b>

### MISSOURI VALLEY FOOTBALL CONF.

YEAR	OVERALL	CONF
2008	7-5	6-2
2009	8-4	7-1
2010	5-6	4-4
2011	5-6	4-4
2012	9-4	6-2
2013	9-5	5-3
2014	9-5	5-3
2015	8-4	5-3
2016	9-4	7-1
2017	11-3	6-2
2018	10-3	6-2
2019	8-5	5-3
2020-21	8-2	5-1
2021	7-2	4-2
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>113-58</b>	<b>75-33</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTALS</b>	<b>181-109</b>	<b>117-68</b>





## 20-PIERRE STRONG, JR. 5-11, 205, Senior • Running Back Little Rock, Arkansas (McClellan H.S.)

### FOOTBALL HONORS AND HIGHLIGHTS:

- Team Captain (2020-21, 2021)
- Stats Perform FCS Walter Payton Award Finalist (2020-21)
- AFCA FCS Coaches' All-America First Team (2020-21)
- Stats Perform FCS All-America Second Team (2020-21)
- HERO Sports All-America Second Team (2019)
- Associated Press All-America Third Team (2019)
- Phil Steele All-America First Team (2020-21)
- Phil Steele All-America Third Team (2019)
- HERO Sports FCS Freshman All-America First Team (2018)
- Phil Steele FCS Freshman All-America Second Team (2018)
- All-Missouri Valley Football Conference First Team (2019, 2020-21)
- MVFC Freshman of the Year (2018)
- MVFC All-Newcomer Team (2018)
- MVFC Offensive Player of the Week (Feb. 19, 2021; Sept. 25, 2021; Nov. 6, 2021)
- MVFC Newcomer of the Week (Nov. 10, 2018; Nov. 17, 2018)
- Topped the 100-yard mark in seven of nine games this season and 17 times in his career (two games with 200-plus yards)
- Scored a touchdown in each of the final six games of the 2018 season, including three-touchdown outings at Southern Illinois (Nov. 10) and versus South Dakota (Nov. 17)
- Reached 1,000-yard mark on 100th carry of the 2018 season
- Posted 10th-best single-game rushing performance in school history with 253 yards on 17 carries in 2018 regular season finale versus South Dakota
- Moved into fourth place in career rushing at SDSU in Oct. 30 game at Youngstown State
- Fourth player in school history with three separate 1,000-yard seasons (Josh Ranek, Kyle Minett, Zach Zenner)
- His 36 career touchdown runs are fourth-most in program history and have covered an average of 28.9 yards
- Nine of his career touchdown runs have been 50 or more yards, including career-long 85-yarder Oct. 9 against Southern Illinois
- Has 11 multi-touchdown games (10 rushing, 1 rushing-receiving) in his career
- Career passing statistics include 8-for-8 passing for 198 yards and five touchdowns

### SDSU CAREER RUSHING YARDS

1. Josh Ranek, 1997-2001	6,744
2. Zach Zenner, 2011-14	6,548
3. Kyle Minett, 2007-10	4,277
4. <b>Pierre Strong, Jr., 2018-present</b>	<b>3,983</b>
5. Anthony Watson, 2003-06	3,712
6. Dan Sonnek, 1984-87	3,304
7. Les Tuma, 1970-73	3,018
8. Cory Koenig, 2004-07	2,990
9. Brady Mengarelli, 2014-17	2,677
10. Darwin Gonnerman, 1966-68	2,598

### SDSU CAREER RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

1. Josh Ranek, 1997-2001	62
2. Zach Zenner, 2011-14	61
3. Kyle Minett, 2007-10	47
4. <b>Pierre Strong, Jr., 2018-present</b>	<b>36</b>
5. Jerry Welch, 1951-54	34
6. Dan Sonnek, 1984-87	32
7. Scott Nedved, 1998-2002	30
8. Anthony Watson, 2003-06	29
9. Darwin Gonnerman, 1966-68	26
Taryn Christion, 2015-18	26

### PIERRE STRONG'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	LG	Rec	Yds	TD	LG	KOR	Yds	Avg	TD	LG
2018	117	1,116	9.5	11	*73	6	84	1	*66	2	38	19.0	0	24
2019	143	1,018	7.1	8	*64	14	169	1	*45	2	69	34.5	0	47
2020-21	131	707	5.4	3	*53	20	178	1	19	1	20	20.0	0	20
2021	150	1,142	7.6	14	*85	17	121	0	32	0	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>3,983</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>*85</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>552</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>*66</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>25.4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>47</b>

\* denotes touchdown

### PIERRE STRONG'S 2018 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Game	Rush	Yds	TD	LG	Rec	Yds	TD	LG	KOR	Yds	TD	LG
Montana State	2	40	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arkansas-Pine Bluff	5	40	0	19	1	66	1	*66	0	0	0	0
North Dakota State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Indiana State	6	95	0	69	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Youngstown State	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Iowa	8	6	0	3	1	5	0	5	0	0	0	0
Illinois State	5	17	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missouri State	9	136	2	*55	1	9	0	9	1	14	0	14
Southern Illinois	14	188	3	*72	0	0	0	0	1	24	0	24
South Dakota	17	253	3	*73	1	4	0	4	0	0	0	0
Duquesne	12	92	1	*52	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kennesaw State	18	112	1	23	1	-2	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Dakota State	20	135	1	*30	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
<b>Season Totals</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>1,116</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>*73</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>*66</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24</b>

# JACKRABBITS TO WATCH

## SINGLE-GAME RUSHING YARDS

- Zach Zenner .....33 carries, 295 yds.  
• vs. Eastern Illinois, 11-24-2012 [FCS playoffs]  
Zach Zenner .....37 carries, 295 yds.  
• at North Dakota, 9-7-2013
- Josh Ranek .....41 carries, 291 yds.  
• vs. St. Cloud State, 11-13-1999
- Josh Ranek .....39 carries, 282 yds.  
• at North Dakota State, 10-24-1998
- Zach Zenner .....34 carries, 278 yds.  
• at Southeastern Louisiana, 9-8-2012
- Dan Sonnek .....41 carries, 268 yds.  
• vs. Northern Colorado, 11-16-1985
- Dan Sonnek .....40 carries, 266 yds.  
• vs. Augustana, 10-26-1985
- Cory Koenig .....21 carries, 259 yds.  
• vs. Cal Poly, 10-20-2007
- Josh Ranek .....26 carries, 254 yds.  
• at North Dakota State, 10-20-2001
- Pierre Strong, Jr. ....17 carries, 253 yds.  
• vs. South Dakota, 11-17-2018**

## PIERRE STRONG'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Game	Rush	Yds	TD	LG	Rec	Yds	TD	LG	KOR	Yds	TD	LG
Minnesota	12	53	0	13	2	59	0	39	1	47	0	47
Long Island	12	55	1	14	2	20	0	20	0	0	0	0
Drake	11	129	1	*49	1	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern Utah	11	85	1	30	2	47	1	*45	0	0	0	0
Southern Illinois	20	229	1	*64	1	-2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Youngstown State	8	61	0	41	3	33	0	15	0	0	0	0
Indiana State	17	144	2	28	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
North Dakota State	19	120	0	24	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missouri State	18	99	1	32	1	-2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Illinois State	12	29	1	7	0	0	0	0	1	22	0	22
Northern Iowa	3	14	0	8	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
South Dakota	DNP-Injury											
Northern Iowa	DNP-Injury											
<b>Season Totals</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>1,018</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>*64</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>*45</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>47</b>

## PIERRE STRONG'S 2020-21 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Game	Rush	Yds	TD	LG	Rec	Yds	TD	LG	KOR	Yds	TD	LG
Northern Iowa	22	91	0	32	6	31	1	11	1	20	0	20
North Dakota	17	95	0	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Western Illinois	9	48	1	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Youngstown State	21	124	0	30	2	7	0	6	0	0	0	0
Southern Illinois	DNP-Injury											
North Dakota State	11	95	1	*53	4	50	0	16	0	0	0	0
Holy Cross	13	76	0	33	2	23	0	19	0	0	0	0
Southern Illinois	9	48	0	22	2	43	0	31	0	0	0	0
Delaware	14	73	1	11	2	13	0	8	0	0	0	0
Sam Houston	15	57	0	10	2	11	0	8	0	0	0	0
<b>Season Totals</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>707</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>*53</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>20</b>

## PIERRE STRONG'S 2021 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Game	Rush	Yds	TD	LG	Rec	Yds	TD	LG	KOR	Yds	TD	LG
Colorado State	13	138	2	*48	3	8	0	4	0	0	0	0
Lindenwood	7	110	1	68	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Indiana State	20	150	0	27	2	23	0	15	0	0	0	0
Dixie State	15	88	2	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern Illinois	20	162	2	*85	4	51	0	32	0	0	0	0
Western Illinois	19	122	2	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Iowa	14	53	1	9	6	37	0	11	0	0	0	0
Youngstown State	19	163	2	*35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Dakota State	23	156	2	*75	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
<b>Season Totals</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>1,142</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>*85</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>



# 12-LOGAN BACKHAUS

**6-4, 210, Senior • Linebacker**

**Spirit Lake, Iowa (Spirit Lake H.S.)**

**FOOTBALL HONORS AND HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Team Captain (2019, 2020-21, 2021)
- Athlon Sports FCS All-America Team (2020-21)
- HERO Sports FCS All-America Team (2020-21)
- Stats Perform FCS All-America Second Team (2020-21)
- Phil Steele FCS All-America Third Team (2020-21)
- All-Missouri Valley Football Conference First Team (2020-21)
- MVFC Honorable Mention (2019)
- MVFC All-Newcomer Team (2017)
- CoSIDA Academic All-America Second Team (2020-21) while majoring in biotechnology and pre-medicine
- CoSIDA Academic All-District (2020-21)
- MVFC All-Academic First Team (2020-21)
- MVFC All-Academic Second Team (2019)
- MVFC Commissioner's Academic Excellence Award (2017, 2018, 2019, 2020-21)
- MVFC Honor Roll (2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020-21)

**LOGAN BACKHAUS' CAREER STATISTICS**

YEAR	G	SOLO	AST	TOTAL	TFL-Yds	SACK-Yds	PBU	INT-Yds	BK	FR-Yds	FF
2017	12	42	13	55	5.0-8	1.0-3	2	2-5	0	0-0	2
2018	13	40	21	61	4.0-14	1.0-5	3	2-0	1	1-0	0
2019	13	45	34	79	5.5-13	1.0-3	5	4-0	1	0-0	3
2020-21	10	48	24	72	9.5-22	2.0-10	1	1-0	0	0-0	1
2021	7	15	12	27	2.5-14	1.0-12	2	0-0	0	0-0	0
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>26.5-71</b>	<b>6.0-33</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>9-5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1-0</b>	<b>6</b>

**LOGAN BACKHAUS' 2017 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS**

Game	Solo	Ast	Total	TFL-Yds	Sack-Yds	Int-Yds	FF	FR
Duquesne	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	1-0	0	0
Montana State	5	2	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Drake	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	1-5	0	0
Youngstown St.	4	2	6	1.0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0
Southern Illinois	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Northern Iowa	6	1	7	1.0-3	1.0-3	0-0	1	0
Missouri State		DNP						
Western Illinois		DNP						
North Dakota St.	4	0	4	1.0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0
Illinois State	4	1	5	1.0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0
South Dakota	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Northern Iowa	8	0	8	1.0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0
New Hampshire	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
James Madison	5	3	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
<b>Season Totals</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>5.0-8</b>	<b>1.0-3</b>	<b>2-5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>

**LOGAN BACKHAUS' 2018 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS**

Game	Solo	Ast	Total	TFL-Yds	Sack-Yds	Int-Yds	FF	FR
Montana State	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Ark.-Pine Bluff	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1
North Dakota St.	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Indiana State	4	1	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Youngstown St.	3	3	6	1.0-4	0-0	0-0	0	0
Northern Iowa	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Illinois State	2	3	5	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	0	0
Missouri State	5	0	5	0-0	0-0	1-0	0	0
Southern Illinois	3	4	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
South Dakota	3	2	5	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	0	0
Duquesne	3	4	7	1.0-5	1.0-5	0-0	0	0
Kennesaw State	6	0	6	1.0-3	0-0	1-0	0	0
North Dakota St.	3	2	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
<b>Season Totals</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>4.0-14</b>	<b>1.0-5</b>	<b>2-0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

## JACKRABBITS TO WATCH

### LOGAN BACKHAUS' 2019 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Game	Solo	Ast	Total	TFL-Yds	Sack-Yds	Int-Yds	FF	FR
Minnesota	3	5	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Long Island	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Drake	4	2	6	0-0	0-0	1-0	0	0
Southern Utah	6	5	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Southern Illinois	5	6	11	1.5-5	1.0-3	0-0	0	0
Youngstown St.	8	0	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0
Indiana State	2	3	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0
North Dakota St.	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Missouri State	4	2	6	1.0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0
Illinois State	2	4	6	1.0-3	0-0	1-0	0	0
Northern Iowa	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	1-0	0	0
South Dakota	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	1-0	0	0
Northern Iowa	4	2	6	2.0-3	0-0	0-0	1	0
<b>Season Totals</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>5.5-13</b>	<b>1.0-3</b>	<b>4-0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>

### LOGAN BACKHAUS' 2020-21 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Game	Solo	Ast	Total	TFL-Yds	Sack-Yds	Int-Yds	FF	FR
Northern Iowa	5	0	5	2.0-3	0-0	0-0	0	0
North Dakota	5	6	11	1.0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0
Western Illinois	4	2	6	1.0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0

Youngstown St.	3	2	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Southern Illinois	3	5	8	0.5-0	0-0	1-0	0	0
North Dakota St.	2	2	4	1.0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0
Holy Cross	4	0	4	2.0-10	2.0-10	0-0	0	0
Southern Illinois	12	2	14	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Delaware	7	5	12	2.0-5	0-0	0-0	0	0
Sam Houston	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0
<b>Season Totals</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>9.5-22</b>	<b>2.0-10</b>	<b>1-0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

### LOGAN BACKHAUS' 2021 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Game	Solo	Ast	Total	TFL-Yds	Sack-Yds	Int-Yds	FF	FR
Colorado State	4	3	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Lindenwood	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Indiana State	2	6	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Dixie State	3	0	3	1.0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0
Southern Illinois	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Western Illinois		DNP						
Northern Iowa		DNP						
Youngstown St.	1	1	2	1.5-13	1.0-12	0-0	0	0
North Dakota St.	3	2	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
<b>Season Totals</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>2.5-14</b>	<b>1.0-12</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>





## 32-ADAM BOCK

**6-1, 215, Sophomore • Linebacker**  
**Solon, Iowa (Solon H.S.)**

### FOOTBALL HONORS AND HIGHLIGHTS:

- HERO Sports FCS Freshman All-America Team (2020-21)
- Missouri Valley Football Conference All-Newcomer Team (2020-21)
- MVFC Defensive Player of the Week (April 17, 2021)
- MVFC Commissioner's Academic Excellence Award (2020-21)
- MVFC Honor Roll (2019, 2020-21)

### ADAM BOCK'S CAREER STATISTICS

YEAR	G	SOLO	AST	TOTAL	TFL-Yds	SACK-Yds	PBU	INT-Yds	BK	FR-Yds	FF
2019	4	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2020-21	10	36	38	74	5.5-20	2.0-15	0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2021	9	39	35	74	6.0-14	1.5-4	3	1-16	1	0-0	2
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>11.5-34</b>	<b>3.5-19</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1-16</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>2</b>

### ADAM BOCK'S 2019 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Game	Solo	Ast	Total	TFL-Yds	Sack-Yds	Int-Yds	FF	FR
Drake	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
North Dakota St.	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Illinois State	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Northern Iowa	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
<b>Season Totals</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### ADAM BOCK'S 2020-21 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Game	Solo	Ast	Total	TFL-Yds	Sack-Yds	Int-Yds	FF	FR
Northern Iowa	4	1	5	1.0-7	1.0-7	0-0	0	0
North Dakota	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Western Illinois	3	5	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Youngstown St.	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Southern Illinois	2	8	10	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
North Dakota St.	8	5	13	2.5-4	0-0	0-0	0	0
Holy Cross	3	6	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Southern Illinois	7	6	13	1.0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0
Delaware	4	2	6	1.0-8	1.0-8	0-0	0	0
Sam Houston	4	4	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
<b>Season Totals</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>5.5-20</b>	<b>2.0-15</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### ADAM BOCK'S 2021 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Game	Solo	Ast	Total	TFL-Yds	Sack-Yds	Int-Yds	FF	FR
Colorado State	7	1	8	2.0-3	0-0	0-0	0	0
Lindenwood	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Indiana State	0	10	10	0.5-0	0-0	1-16	0	0
Dixie State	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Southern Illinois	10	7	17	0.5-2	0.5-2	0-0	1	0
Western Illinois	5	2	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Northern Iowa	6	4	10	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0
Youngstown St.	2	1	3	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	0	0
North Dakota St.	5	8	13	2.5-8	1.0-2	0-0	1	0
<b>Season Totals</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>6.0-14</b>	<b>1.5-4</b>	<b>1-16</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>

Note: Blocked and returned extra point for 2-point defensive conversion Oct. 30 at Youngstown State



# 6-CHRIS OLADOKUN

6-2, 195, Graduate Transfer • Quarterback

Tampa, Florida (Sickles H.S./South Florida/Samford)

## FOOTBALL HONORS AND HIGHLIGHTS:

- First season at South Dakota State
- Previously started games at South Florida and Samford
- Missouri Valley Football Conference Co-Newcomer of the Week (Sept. 3 at Colorado State)
- Currently ranks 14th among Football Championship Subdivision quarterbacks in passing efficiency (153.24)

## CHRIS OLADOKUN'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Eff.	Comp	Att	Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	LG	Rush	Yds	TD	LG
2017 (at South Florida)	2	200.80	1	1	0	100.0	12	0	12	1	1	0	1
2018 (at South Florida)	6	122.36	22	44	1	50.0	285	3	72	25	19	0	22
2019 (at Samford)	12	142.38	169	272	7	62.1	2,058	18	82	127	491	8	37
2020-21 (at Samford)	7	97.97	37	56	2	67.1	221	1	23	22	26	2	33
2021 (at SDSU)	9	153.24	143	233	3	61.4	1,991	16	55	46	82	2	18
<b>Career</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>139.44</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>59.7</b>	<b>4,567</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>619</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>37</b>

\* denotes touchdown

## CHRIS OLADOKUN'S 2021 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Game	Comp	Att	Int	Yds	TD	LG	Rush	Yds	TD	LG
^Colorado State	18	28	0	224	2	46	2	19	1	*11
^Lindenwood	12	13	0	171	4	55	0	0	0	0
^Indiana State+	12	21	0	216	3	*42	3	30	0	18
^Dixie State	8	18	0	110	2	39	4	1	0	9
^Southern Illinois	23	31	2	358	1	52	5	8	0	9
^Western Illinois	17	25	0	195	2	36	5	-4	0	12
^Northern Iowa	24	53	0	300	1	36	11	7	0	9
^Youngstown State	16	22	1	260	1	30	7	2	1	7
^North Dakota State	13	22	0	157	0	38	9	19	0	10
<b>Season Totals</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1,991</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>18</b>

+ caught 22-yard touchdown pass

## FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SUBDIVISION POLLS

### STATS PERFORM FCS POLL – NOV. 8

PL.	SCHOOL	2021 RECORD	POINTS	PR
1.	Sam Houston [50]	8-0	1,250	1
2.	James Madison	8-1	1,180	3
3.	Montana State	8-1	1,168	4
4.	<b>South Dakota State</b>	<b>7-2</b>	<b>1,045</b>	<b>9</b>
5.	<b>North Dakota State</b>	<b>8-1</b>	<b>1,015</b>	<b>2</b>
6.	UC Davis	8-1	1,005	8
7.	Eastern Washington	7-2	889	5
8.	Villanova	7-2	872	10
9.	Montana	7-2	799	11
10.	Kennesaw State	8-1	778	12
11.	East Tennessee State	8-1	723	14
12.	Sacramento State	7-2	624	16
13.	UT Martin	8-1	622	15
14.	Southeastern Louisiana	7-2	613	6
15.	<b>Southern Illinois</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>603</b>	<b>7</b>
16.	Missouri State	6-3	596	17
17.	Incarnate Word	7-2	516	22
18.	Jackson State	8-1	385	19
19.	<b>South Dakota</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>23</b>
20.	<b>Northern Iowa</b>	<b>5-4</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>13</b>
21.	Virginia Military Institute	6-3	173	18
22.	Chattanooga	6-3	160	NR
	Dartmouth	7-1	160	NR
24.	Prairie View A&M	7-1	109	NR
25.	William & Mary	6-3	79	T20

Others receiving votes: Mercer 58; Stephen F. Austin 54; Princeton 50; Florida A&M 46; Rhode Island 33; Eastern Kentucky 15; Delaware 8; Monmouth (N.J.) 7; Nicholls 7; Harvard 5; Holy Cross 3.

Notes: First-place votes in brackets; 2021 opponents listed in **bold**.

### AFCA FCS COACHES' POLL – NOV. 8

PL.	SCHOOL	2021 RECORD	POINTS	PR
1.	Sam Houston [28]	8-0	700	1
2.	James Madison	8-1	668	3
3.	Montana State	8-1	631	4
4.	UC Davis	8-1	561	7
5.	Kennesaw State	8-1	539	8
6.	<b>North Dakota State</b>	<b>8-1</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>2</b>
7.	<b>South Dakota State</b>	<b>7-2</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>12</b>
8.	Eastern Washington	7-2	498	5
9.	Montana	7-2	489	10
10.	UT Martin	8-1	464	11
11.	Villanova	7-2	435	13
12.	East Tennessee State	8-1	391	14
13.	Southeastern Louisiana	7-2	373	6
14.	Missouri State	6-3	333	20
15.	Jackson State	8-1	272	17
16.	<b>Southern Illinois</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>9</b>
17.	<b>South Dakota</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>21</b>
18.	Sacramento State	7-2	217	22
19.	Chattanooga	6-3	147	25
20.	Virginia Military Institute	6-3	112	18
21.	Incarnate Word	7-2	105	NR
22.	Princeton	7-2	88	16
23.	Dartmouth	7-1	77	NR
24.	<b>Northern Iowa</b>	<b>5-4</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>15</b>
25.	Eastern Kentucky	6-3	51	19

Others receiving votes: Stephen F. Austin 38; Monmouth (N.J.) 36; Delaware 35; William & Mary 34; Mercer 32; Prairie View A&M 32; Florida A&M 29; Holy Cross 22; Harvard 15; Davidson 8; Nicholls 8; Central Arkansas 7; Rhode Island 5; Yale 3.

Notes: First-place votes in brackets; 2021 opponents listed in **bold**.

## MISSOURI VALLEY FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

### 2021 MVFC STANDINGS

SCHOOL	CONFERENCE	PF	PA	OVERALL	PF	PA
North Dakota State	5-1	160	81	8-1	287	92
Missouri State	5-2	232	174	6-3	291	231
South Dakota State	4-2	217	120	7-2	366	157
Southern Illinois	4-2	183	177	6-3	308	232
South Dakota	4-2	171	116	6-3	267	154
Northern Iowa	3-3	134	125	5-4	232	160
Indiana State	2-4	84	207	4-5	139	273
North Dakota	2-4	137	130	4-5	234	192
Illinois State	2-4	105	158	4-5	185	217
Western Illinois	2-5	181	251	2-8	265	386
Youngstown State	1-5	137	204	2-6	195	287

### SCHEDULE AND RECENT RESULTS

#### SATURDAY, NOV. 6

\*Illinois State 17, Northern Iowa 10 [OT]  
 \*Missouri State 38, Southern Illinois 28  
 \*North Dakota 24, Youngstown State 21  
 \*South Dakota 42, Western Illinois 21  
 \*SDSU 27, North Dakota State 19

#### SATURDAY, NOV. 13

\*North Dakota State at Youngstown State, 11 a.m.  
 \*Southern Illinois at Indiana State, noon  
 \*SDSU at South Dakota, 1 p.m.  
 \*Illinois State at North Dakota, 2 p.m.  
 \*Northern Iowa at Missouri State, 2 p.m.

All times Central

### 2021 PRESEASON POLL

1.	South Dakota State [24]	454
2.	North Dakota State [18]	435
3.	North Dakota	357
4.	Southern Illinois	345
5.	Northern Iowa [1]	311
6.	Missouri State	256
7.	Illinois State	196
8.	South Dakota	163
9.	Youngstown State	126
10.	Indiana State	112
11.	Western Illinois	83



## #3/4 SDSU 42, COLORADO STATE 23

Sept. 3, 2021 • Canvas Stadium (Att.: 32,327)

FORT COLLINS, Colo. – Transfer quarterback Chris Oladokun threw two touchdown passes and ran for another in his Jackrabbit debut, helping lead a balanced South Dakota State team to an emphatic 42-23 victory over Colorado State in the season opener for both teams Sept. 3 at Canvas Stadium.

The Jackrabbits, ranked third in the Football Championship Subdivision media poll and fourth in the coaches' poll, never trailed in recording their second victory over a Football Bowl Subdivision opponent since moving to the Division I ranks in 2004.

SDSU running back Pierre Strong, Jr. opened the scoring with the first of his two touchdowns on the night, breaking through the left side of the line for a 48-yard scoring run.

Colorado State answered with a 17-play, 75-yard drive to knot the game at 7-all early in the second quarter. David Bailey capped the five-and-a-half-minute march with a 1-yard touchdown run.

The Jackrabbits sandwiched two 75-yard touchdown drives of their own around a Rams field goal late in the second quarter to build a 21-10 halftime advantage. Oladokun connected with Jadon Janke on a 10-yard pass for the first touchdown and Strong added a 12-yard touchdown run with 49 seconds remaining. The second Jackrabbit scoring drive took six plays and all of 38 seconds and was set up by a 46-yard pass from Oladokun to Janke.

The Oladokun-to-Jadon Janke connection continued to pay dividends in the third quarter as the duo hooked up on a 17-yard touchdown. That came two plays after the Jackrabbit defense, led by Joshua Manchigiah and Malik Lofton, stuffed Colorado State on a fourth-and-1 play.

The Jackrabbit lead grew to 35-10 late in the third quarter as Isaiah Davis plunged in from 2 yards out following a CSU fumble.

Oladokun tallied the final Jackrabbit touchdown an 11-yard run midway through the fourth quarter to complete another 75-yard scoring drive. The Tampa, Florida, native ended the night 18-of-28 passing for 224 yards. Jadon Janke recorded six catches for 92 yards and the two scores with Tucker Kraft adding a career-high five catches for 53 yards.

Colorado State scored a pair of fourth-quarter touchdowns against SDSU reserves, including Bailey's second touchdown of the game on an 11-yard pass from Todd Centeio.

SDSU finished with nearly a 50-50 split in offense, posting 242 yards on the ground and 224 through the air for a narrow 466-462 advantage in total offense. Strong gained 138 yards on 13 carries, with Davis contributing 84 yards on 15 attempts.

For CSU, Centeio completed 29-of-42 attempts for 304 yards, with Trey McBride hauling in a game-high 13 passes for 116 yards and Dante Wright adding six catches for 103 yards. Bailey gained 46 rushing yards on 19 carries.

Isaiah Stalbird paced the Jackrabbit defense with nine tackles, while Adam Bock registered eight tackles. Tywan Francis posted a game-high 11 tackles for CSU.



Chris Oladokun had a hand in three South Dakota State touchdowns — two passing and one rushing — as the Jackrabbits knocked off Colorado State in the season opener.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	FINAL
South Dakota State (1-0)	7	14	14	7	42
Colorado State (0-1)	0	10	0	13	23

### SCORING SUMMARY

1st	2:22	SDSU – Pierre Strong, Jr. 48 yd run (Cole Frahm kick)
2nd	11:41	CSU – David Bailey 1 yd run (Cayden Camper kick)
2nd	5:29	SDSU – Jadon Janke 10 yd pass from Chris Oladokun (Frahm kick)
2nd	1:27	CSU – Camper 35 yd field goal
2nd	00:49	SDSU – Strong 12 yd run (Frahm kick)
3rd	10:56	SDSU – Janke 17 pass from Oladokun (Frahm kick)
3rd	1:29	SDSU – Isaiah Davis 2 yd run (Frahm kick)
4th	12:53	CSU – Bailey 11 yd pass from Todd Centeio (pass failed)
4th	8:35	SDSU – Oladokun 11 yd run (Frahm kick)
4th	6:33	CSU – Jaylen Thomas 4 yd run (Camper kick)

### TEAM STATISTICS

	SDSU	CSU
FIRST DOWNS	22	28
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	34-242	40-124
PASSING YDS (NET)	224	338
Passes Att-Comp-Int	28-18-0	49-33-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	62-466	89-462
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	2-6	2-8
Kickoff Returns-Yards	1-(-2)	0-0
Interception Returns-Yards	1-0	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-42.0	4-55.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	6-42	5-50
Possession Time	30:27	29:33
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 11	10 of 19
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	2 of 4
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	5-5	4-5
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-10	0-0

**RUSHING LEADERS:** SDSU - Pierre Strong, Jr. 13-138; Isaiah Davis 15-84; Chris Oladokun 2-19; Amar Johnson 3-4. CSU - David Bailey 19-46; Marcus McElroy, Jr. 2-35; Evan Olaes 6-16; A'Jon Vivens 3-11. **PASSING LEADERS:** SDSU - Chris Oladokun 18-28-0 224. CSU - Todd Centeio 29-42-0 304; Evan Olaes 3-6-1 22; Justice McCoy 1-1-0 12. **RECEIVING LEADERS:** SDSU - Jadon Janke 6-92-58; Tucker Kraft 5-53; Jaxon Janke 3-58; Pierre Strong, Jr. 3-8. CSU - Trey McBride 13-116; Dante Wright 6-103; Ty McCullough 3-36; David Bailey 3-23. **INTERCEPTIONS:** SDSU - Daeton Mcgaughy 1-0. CSU - none. **SACKS:** SDSU - Caleb Sanders 1.0-7; Kinser Madison 1.0-2; Graham Spalding 1.0-1. CSU - none. **TACKLE LEADERS (UA-A-TOT):** SDSU - Isaiah Stalbird 4-5-9; Adam Bock 7-1-8; Logan Backhaus 4-3-7; Graham Spalding 4-3-7. CSU - Tywan Francis 5-6-11; Henry Blackburn 4-6-10; Cam'Ron Carter 3-4-7.



## #2/3 SDSU 52, LINDENWOOD 7

Sept. 11, 2021 • Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium (Att.: 15,162)

South Dakota State scored on all seven of its first-half drives, ending four of those drives on touchdown passes from Chris Oladokun, as the second-ranked Jackrabbits rolled past Lindenwood, 52-7, before a crowd of 15,162 at Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium.

With the win, SDSU improved to 2-0 on the season. Lindenwood, an NCAA Division II program, dropped to 0-2.

The Jackrabbits needed only three plays after the opening kickoff to crack the scoring column. On the first play from scrimmage, Oladokun hooked up with Jaxon Janke deep along the right hash for a 55-yard pass play to the Lion 20. Pierre Strong, Jr. did the rest, gaining 13 yards on his first carry of the night before scoring from 7 yards out a minute and 13 seconds into the contest.

Oladokun found tight end Zach Heins for touchdowns of 4 and 2 yards on the next two Jackrabbit possessions to put SDSU up 21-0 late in the first quarter.

The SDSU onslaught continued in the second quarter as the Jackrabbits put 24 more points on the board. Oladokun worked with another Jackrabbit tight end, Tucker Kraft, for a pair of scores four minutes apart, covering 5 and 13 yards to push the lead to 35-0.

All five of the Jackrabbits' touchdown drives to that point canvassed at least 71 yards.

Oladokun was an efficient 12-for-13 passing for 171 yards and the four touchdowns. Kraft caught a team-high four passes for 38 yards.

SDSU pulled its starters midway through the second quarter and backup quarterback Keaton Heide led the Jackrabbits on two more scoring drives in the opening half. The first drive ended with a career-long 54-yard field goal by Cole Frahm, with the second culminating on a 14-yard touchdown pass from Heide to Mason Leighton in the right corner of the end zone.

The Jackrabbits finished the first half with 426 yards of total offense and ended the night with a 560-196 advantage for the game. SDSU rushed for 330 yards and threw for 230 as Heide completed 3-of-5 passes for 54 yards and Rudy Voss completed his first collegiate pass attempt for five yards. Eight different Jackrabbits tallied at least one reception.

Third-string running back Amar Johnson capped the Jackrabbit scoring with a 1-yard touchdown run midway through the third quarter to finish off a seven-play, 71-yard drive.

Lindenwood ended SDSU's shutout bid on the first play of the fourth quarter as Payton Rose hauled in a 37-yard touchdown pass from Cade Brister.

The Jackrabbit defense limited Lindenwood to 84 net yards rushing with the help of three sacks. Nash Sutherland tallied 33 yards on 11 carries, with Brister gaining 21 yards on the ground and throwing for 112 on 9-of-18 passing.

Both Strong and Johnson topped the century mark for SDSU. Strong gained 110 yards on only seven carries, while Johnson, filling in for an injured Isaiah Davis, collected 105 yards on 15 attempts.

Daeton Mcgaughy led the Jackrabbit defense with five tackles. Payton Shafer recorded two of SDSU's 10 tackles for loss, including a sack.



Zach Heins caught two first-quarter touchdown passes of 4 and 2 yards to help lift the Jackrabbits to a 52-7 nonconference win over Lindenwood.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Lindenwood (0-2)	0	0	0	7	7
South Dakota State (2-0)	21	24	7	0	52

### SCORING SUMMARY

1st	13:47	SDSU	- Pierre Strong, Jr. 7 yd run (Cole Frahm kick)
1st	7:20	SDSU	- Zach Heins 4 yd pass from Chris Oladokun (Frahm kick)
1st	2:21	SDSU	- Heins 2 yd pass from Oladokun (Frahm kick)
2nd	12:42	SDSU	- Tucker Kraft 5 yd pass from Oladokun (Frahm kick)
2nd	8:36	SDSU	- Kraft 13 yd pass from Oladokun (Frahm kick)
2nd	3:07	SDSU	- Frahm 54 yd field goal
2nd	00:30	SDSU	- Mason Leighton 14 yd pass from Keaton Heide (Frahm kick)
3rd	7:02	SDSU	- Amar Johnson 1 yd run (Hunter Dustman kick)
4th	14:52	LIN	- Payton Rose 37 yd pass from Cade Brister (Logan Seibert kick)

### TEAM STATISTICS

	LIN	SDSU
FIRST DOWNS	10	26
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	31-84	41-330
PASSING YDS (NET)	112	230
Passes Att-Comp-Int	18-9-1	19-16-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	49-196	61-560
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-37	1-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	4-107	1-18
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	7-35.1	2-44.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	5-50	3-20
Possession Time	25:28	34:32
Third-Down Conversions	3 of 11	7 of 10
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 1	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	0-0	7-7
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	3-23

**RUSHING LEADERS:** LIN - Nash Sutherland 11-33; Cade Brister 13-21; Robert Giaimo 6-20; Spencer Redd 1-10. SDSU - Pierre Strong, Jr. 7-110; Amar Johnson 15-105; Isaiah Davis 3-41; Angel Johnson 6-29; Josh Buri 6-21; Rudy Voss 3-14; Keaton Heide 1-10. **PASSING LEADERS:** LIN - Cade Brister 9-18-1 112. SDSU - Chris Oladokun 12-13-0 171; Keaton Heide 3-5-0 54; Rudy Voss 1-1-0 5. **RECEIVING LEADERS:** LIN - Payton Rose 3-53; Nash Sutherland 3-9. SDSU - Tucker Kraft 4-38; Jaxon Janke 3-41; Jaxon Janke 2-64; Mason Leighton 2-43; Zach Heins 2-6. **INTERCEPTIONS:** LIN - none. SDSU - Graham Spalding 1-0. **SACKS:** LIN - none. SDSU - Payton Shafer 1.0-11; Reece Winkelman 1.0-8; Thomas Stacker 0.5-2; Quinton Hicks 0.5-2. **TACKLE LEADERS (UA-A-TOT):** LIN - Andre Rodriguez 6-0-6; Drew Seers 5-1-6; Lloyd Lockett 2-3-5. SDSU - Daeton Mcgaughy 1-4-5; Kinser Madison 3-1-4; Caleb Sanders 2-2-4.

## #2/3 SDSU 44, INDIANA STATE 0

Sept. 25, 2021 • Memorial Stadium (Att.: 6,652)

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. – Big plays on offense and a stifling defense propelled South Dakota State to a 44-0 shutout victory over Indiana State in the Missouri Valley Football Conference opener for both teams Sept. 25 at Memorial Stadium.

The Jackrabbits, ranked second in the Stats Perform Football Championship Subdivision media poll and third in the coaches' rankings, improved to 3-0 overall. Indiana State dropped to 2-2 overall.

South Dakota State asserted itself early, taking the opening kickoff and digging deep into the playbook for the opening salvo. Running back Pierre Strong, Jr. took a handoff, rolled right and threw back across the field to quarterback Chris Oladokun for a 22-yard touchdown.

All four of the Jackrabbits' first-half touchdowns would come via the air as Oladokun connected with Jadon Janke on a 33-yard scoring strike later in the first quarter, then hooked up with Tucker Kraft for a 26-yard touchdown and a 42-yard catch and run by Jaxon Janke two minutes apart in the second quarter.

Strong topped the 100-yard mark for the third time in as many games this season, reaching the mark before halftime en route to 150 yards on 20 carries.

Cole Frahm added field goals of 45 and 32 yards in the first half to help give the Jackrabbits a 34-0 halftime lead, then booted his career-best third field goal, a 27-yarder in the third quarter to up the lead to 37-0.

The Jackrabbit defense, meanwhile, held Indiana State to 0-for-3 in red-zone opportunities and stopped the Sycamores on all four of their fourth-down attempts. Adam Bock led the effort with 10 tackles and an interception, followed by eight tackles from Logan Backhaus.

Backup running back Amar Johnson closed the scoring with a 22-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter, capping a five-play, 92-yard drive in which he also had a 34-yard reception on the play preceding his score.

SDSU finished with a 517-226 advantage in total offense. Oladokun completed 12-of-21 passes for 216 yards, while Kraft led the receiving corps with five catches for 85 yards.

Peterson Kerlegrand accounted for the bulk of the Indiana State offense, gaining 76 yards on 21 carries and tallying 50 yards on two receptions. Kurtis Wilderman was 9-of-22 passing for 89 yards, with Anthony Thompson going 5-for-6 through the air for 59 yards.



The South Dakota State defense held Indiana State to 226 yards of total offense in a 44-0 shutout victory on Sept. 25. The shutout was the first by a Jackrabbit squad since 2015.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	FINAL
South Dakota State (3-0, 1-0)	17	17	3	7	44
Indiana State (2-2, 0-1)	0	0	0	0	0

### SCORING SUMMARY

1st	12:55	SDSU – Chris Oladokun 22 yd pass from Pierre Strong, Jr. (Cole Frahm kick)
1st	5:37	SDSU – Jadon Janke 33 yd pass from Oladokun (Frahm kick)
1st	2:42	SDSU – Frahm 45 yd field goal
2nd	10:14	SDSU – Tucker Kraft 26 yd pass from Oladokun (Frahm kick)
2nd	8:23	SDSU – Jaxon Janke 42 yd pass from Oladokun (Frahm kick)
2nd	1:56	SDSU – Frahm 32 yd field goal
3rd	2:52	SDSU – Frahm 27 yd field goal
4th	6:12	SDSU – Amar Johnson 22 yd run (Frahm kick)

TEAM STATISTICS	SDSU	INS
FIRST DOWNS	22	16
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	34-224	39-78
PASSING YDS (NET)	293	148
Passes Att-Comp-Int	25-16-0	29-14-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	59-517	68-226
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	3-(-3)	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	0-0	4-71
Interception Returns-Yards	1-16	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	2-36.0	7-37.9
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	6-60	4-45
Possession Time	28:43	31:17
Third-Down Conversions	4 of 11	5 of 16
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	0 of 4
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-2	0-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-18	0-0

**RUSHING LEADERS:** SDSU - Pierre Strong, Jr. 20-150; Amar Johnson 9-44; Chris Oladokun 3-30. INS - Peterson Kerlegrand 21-76; Justin Dinka 3-8; Matt Sora 3-7. **PASSING LEADERS:** SDSU - Chris Oladokun 12-21-0 216; Keaton Heide 3-3-0 55; Pierre Strong, Jr. 1-1-0 22. INS - Kurtis Wilderman 9-22-1 89; Anthony Thompson 5-6-0 59. **RECEIVING LEADERS:** SDSU - Tucker Kraft 5-85; Jaxon Janke 2-47; Zach Heins 2-28; Pierre Strong, Jr. 2-23. INS - Zach Larkin 5-42; Rontrez Morgan 3-31; Phazione McClurge 3-24; Peterson Kerlegrand 2-50. **INTERCEPTIONS:** SDSU - Adam Bock 1-16. INS - none. **SACKS:** SDSU - Caleb Sanders 1.5-11; Cade Terveer 0.5-3; Jarod DePriest 0.5-3; Reece Winkelman 0.5-1. INS - none. **TACKLE LEADERS (JA-A-TOT):** SDSU - Adam Bock 0-10-10; Logan Backhaus 2-6-8; Isaiah Stalbird 3-2-5; Malik Lofton 3-2-5; Joshua Manchigiah 1-4-5; Xavier Ward 0-5-5. INS - Michael Thomas 3-7-10; Ethan Hoover 3-2-5; Johnathan Edwards 2-3-5.

## #2/3 SDSU 55, DIXIE STATE 7

Oct. 2, 2021 • Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium (Att.: 14,473)

South Dakota State followed its worst offensive quarter of the season with a 35-point outburst in the second quarter to steamroll past Dixie State, 55-7, in the 54th Beef Bowl game at Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium.

The Jackrabbits ranked second in the Football Championship Subdivision media poll conducted by Stats Perform and third by the FCS coaches, remained undefeated for their first 4-0 start to a season since 2000.

The Jackrabbit offense sputtered in the early going, picking up only one first down and being forced to punt on each of its first four possession as it netted only two yards in 15 offensive plays.

As the game flipped to the second quarter, the floodgates opened. The Jacks' next 16 offensive plays yielded 106 yards and three touchdowns.

Pierre Strong, Jr., opened the scoring with a 21-yard touchdown run two plays into the second quarter and added a 30-yard run to open the next drive, kick-starting a six-play, 72-yard march that ended with an 11-yard touchdown pass from Chris Oladokun to tight end Mike Morgan with 7 minutes and 6 seconds remaining in the stanza.

A tick under a minute later, the Jackrabbit lead grew to 21-0 as backup cornerback Dalys BeNUM picked off a Kenyon Oblad pass and returned the interception 36 yards for a touchdown.

After Dixie State fumbled the ensuing kickoff at its own 38, SDSU cashed in on the short field with Strong scoring his second touchdown of the night, this one from 3 yards out one play after Jaxon Janke's catch and run on an Oladokun screen pass on third-and-14 went for 39 yards.

The final SDSU touchdown of the quarter was a 4-yard pass from Oladokun to another tight end, Zach Heins, from 4 yards out to cap a nine-play, 81-yard drive that was aided by a pair of Thunderbird penalties. The Jackrabbits' 35 points in the second quarter were the most in any quarter in program history in the Division I era, dating back to 2004.

Jackrabbit reserves played the entire second half on offense, but the Jackrabbits extended their lead to 42-0 in the third quarter as backup quarterback Keaton Heide hooked up with Morgan for a 55 yard-touchdown down the left sideline.

SDSU turned interceptions from Steven Arrell and Daeton Mcgaughy into points on fourth-quarter field goals of 26 and 37 yards from Cole Frahm before third-string quarterback Rudy Voss led the Jackrabbits on their final touchdown drive of the night in the closing minutes. After taking over on downs, Josh Buri closed out the Jackrabbit scoring with a 6-yard TD run.

SDSU's bid for back-to-back shutouts for the first time since 1962 was ended with six seconds remaining in the game as Dixie State put together its longest drive of the night. The Trailblazers' 13-play, 75-yard drive ended with a 16-yard touchdown pass from Kobe Tracy to Cade Veach.

The Jackrabbits finished with a 404-253 advantage in total offense in which the SDSU defense held Dixie State to six net rushing yards after recording four sacks, nine tackles for loss and four interceptions. Arrell paced the Jackrabbits with seven tackles, including one for loss, and DyShawn Gales added six more from his cornerback position.

Strong led SDSU's offensive effort with 88 rushing yards on 15 carries, while Morgan's two touchdowns went for 66 receiving yards. Janke also caught a pair of passes for 48 yards and Tucker Kraft added two receptions for 20 yards.

Oladokun started the night 1-for-9 in the passing department, but completed seven of his final nine attempts for an 8-for-18 effort for 110 yards. Heide was 4-for-5 passing for 94 yards.



Dalys BeNUM returned an interception 36 yards for a touchdown as part of a 35-point second quarter for the Jackrabbits in their Beef Bowl win over Dixie State.

For Dixie State, which dropped to 0-4 overall, Oblad was 14-of-25 passing for 126 yards, with Tracy ending the night 14-for-23 with 121 yards.

Jalen Powell tallied seven receptions for 32 yards.

The Trailblazers' Malaki Malaki was credited with a game-high nine stops.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Dixie State (0-4)	0	0	0	7	7
South Dakota State (4-0)	0	35	7	13	55

### SCORING SUMMARY

2nd	14:35	SDSU	- Pierre Strong, Jr. 21 yd run (Cole Frahm kick)
2nd	7:06	SDSU	- Mike Morgan 11 yd pass from Chris Oladokun (Frahm kick)
2nd	6:07	SDSU	- Dalys BeNUM 36 yd interception return (Frahm kick)
2nd	4:31	SDSU	- Strong 3 yd run (Frahm kick)
2nd	00:10	SDSU	- Zach Heins 4 yd pass from Oladokun (Frahm kick)
3rd	5:34	SDSU	- Morgan 55 yd pass from Keaton Heide (Frahm kick)
4th	11:55	SDSU	- Frahm 26 yd field goal
4th	6:45	SDSU	- Frahm 37 yd field goal
4th	2:53	SDSU	- Josh Buri 6 yd run (Corben Mahaffy kick)
4th	00:06	DSU	- Cade Veach 16 yd pass from Kobe Tracy (Connor Brooksby kick)

### TEAM STATISTICS

	DSU	SDSU
FIRST DOWNS	17	22
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	24-6	44-200
PASSING YDS (NET)	247	204
Passes Att-Comp-Int	48-28-4	25-12-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	72-253	69-404
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	2-(-3)	2-26
Kickoff Returns-Yards	6-80	1-28
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	4-37-1
Punts (Number-Avg)	8-37.5	6-49.0
Fumbles-Lost	4-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	8-78	10-110
Possession Time	27:15	32:45
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 16	5 of 14
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 2	1 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-1	6-6
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-19	4-31

**RUSHING LEADERS:** DSU - Drew Kannely-Robles 11-22; Quali Conley 7-18. SDSU - Pierre Strong, Jr. 15-88; Angel Johnson 6-37; Amar Johnson 9-33; Rudy Voss 2-23; Josh Buri 4-10.

**PASSING LEADERS:** DSU - Kenyon Oblad 14-25-2 126; Kobe Tracy 14-23-2 121. SDSU - Chris Oladokun 8-18-0 110; Keaton Heide 4-5-0 94; Rudy Voss 0-2-0 0.

**RECEIVING LEADERS:** DSU - Jalen Powell 7-32; Drew Kannely-Robles 5-45; David Fisher 4-37; Keith Davis 4-35; Cade Veach 3-55. SDSU - Mike Morgan 2-66; Jaxon Janke 2-48; Jadon Janke 2-27; Mason Leighton 2-26; Tucker Kraft 2-20.

**INTERCEPTIONS:** DSU - none. SDSU - Dalys BeNUM 1-36; Malik Lofton 1-1; Steven Arrell 1-0; Daeton Mcgaughy 1-0. **SACKS:** DSU - Kaejin Smith-Bejgrowicz 1.0-12; Malaki Malaki 1.0-7. SDSU - Thomas Stacker 1.0-11; Reece Winkelman 1.0-9; Tolu Ogunrinde 1.0-6; Levi Vanden Bos 1.0-5.

**TACKLE LEADERS (UA-A-TOT):** DSU - Malaki Malaki 6-3-9; Tyrell Grayson 6-2-8; Syrus Webster 5-3-8; Kanoah Tanuvasa 4-2-6. SDSU - Steven Arrell 4-3-7; DyShawn Gales 5-1-6; Adam Kusler 2-3-5; Matt Barnett 3-1-4.



## #7/8 SOUTHERN ILLINOIS 42, #2/3 SDSU 41 [OT]

Oct. 9, 2021 • Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium (Att.: 12,216)

Southern Illinois stormed back from an early 20-point deficit to defeat South Dakota State in overtime, 42-41, in a Missouri Valley Football Conference battle between top-10 teams at Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium.

The Salukis improved to 5-1 overall and 3-0 in league play, while SDSU fell to 4-1 overall and 1-1 in the MVFC.

The Jackrabbits dominated both sides of the ball in the first 21 minutes of the game in building a 20-0 advantage. SDSU took the opening kickoff and marched 75 yards on seven plays, with Walter Payton Award candidate Pierre Strong, Jr., tallying the first score of the game on a 20-yard run.

SDSU ran its lead to 17-0 in the opening minute of the second quarter with 10 points over the span of 15 seconds. After Cole Frahm kicked a 40-yard field goal, Jackrabbit linebacker Isaiah Stalbird forced a fumble and Xavier Ward recovered at the SIU 19. SDSU needed only one play to score as Strong lofted a halfback pass to Jadon Janke in the end zone.

Frahm's second field goal, one from 22 yards out with 9 minutes and 12 minutes remaining in the first half, pushed the SDSU advantage to 20-0.

However, the SDSU lead could have been even bigger by that point as SDSU fumbled – its first turnover of the season – in the red zone on its second possession of the game and the Jackrabbits were set up with first and goal at the SIU 8 before Frahm's second field goal.

SIU began to have the momentum turn in its favor midway through the second quarter. The Salukis got on the board on a 61-yard touchdown pass from Nic Baker to Jerron Rollins, then after an interception on the ensuing Jackrabbit possession, cashed in on a short field as Landon Lenoir hauled in an 18-yard touchdown pass from Baker.

The Salukis were poised to take their first lead of the game late in the third quarter, but the SDSU defense came up with what could have been the decisive play of the game. After taking a field goal off the board due to a penalty, SIU opted to go for it on fourth and goal from the SDSU 2. Saluki running back Javon Williams Jr. went airborne in an attempt to score, but Ryan Van Marel jarred the ball loose before Williams broke the plane of the goal line and Malik Lofton scooped up the football at the 3 and proceeded to roll down the left sideline for the longest fumble return on record in Jackrabbit program history.

The conversion was good as Chris Oladokun connected with Zach Heins.

The big plays would continue in the fourth quarter, with three touchdowns scored in the span of a minute. First, SIU scored on a 19-yard pass from Baker to Zach Gibson on a fourth-and-4 play. SDSU needed only one play to respond as Strong broke through an arm tackle and ran past the Saluki defense for a career-long 85-yard touchdown. The Salukis then drew back to within 35-28 on a 63-yard touchdown run by Donnavan Spencer.

Baker then led SIU on the game-tying drive, a 14-play, 70-yard march that included two fourth-down conversions. First, the Saluki quarterback scrambled for eight yards and a first down on fourth and six, then he hooked up with Izaiah Hartrup for 18 yards and a fresh set of downs on fourth and 11 from the SIU 41. Baker capped the drive by tossing his fourth touchdown pass of the game with 34 seconds remaining, a 19-yarder to Lenoir. SIU opted to kick the extra point and play for overtime.

SDSU won the overtime coin toss and opted to go on defense first, but SIU maintained its rhythm offensively with Baker picking up 14 yards to set up a 10-yard touchdown run by Spencer.

The Jackrabbits needed only two plays answer with a touchdown of their own as Oladokun found Tucker Kraft in the end zone for an 11-yard score.



Pierre Strong, Jr., ran for 162 yards and scored on touchdown runs of 20 and 85 yards Oct. 9 versus Southern Illinois.

Rather than play for another extra session, SDSU opted to try to go for the win with another two-point try. However, Oladokun's pass to Zach Heins was well defended and fell to the turf, giving SIU the 42-41 victory.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	FINAL
Southern Illinois (5-1, 3-0)	0	14	0	21	7	42
South Dakota State (4-1, 1-1)	7	13	8	7	6	41

### SCORING SUMMARY

1st	11:01	SDSU – Pierre Strong, Jr. 20 yd run (Cole Frahm kick)
2nd	14:50	SDSU – Frahm 40 yd field goal
2nd	14:35	SDSU – Jadon Janke 19 yd pass from Strong (Frahm kick)
2nd	9:12	SDSU – Frahm 22 yd field goal
2nd	7:54	SIU – Jerron Rollins 61 yd pass from Nic Baker (Nico Gualdoni kick)
2nd	5:25	SIU – Landon Lenoir 18 yd pass from Baker (Gualdoni kick)
3rd	3:38	SDSU – Malik Lofton 97 yd fumble return (Zach Heins pass from Chris Oladokun)
4th	10:38	SIU – Zach Gibson 19 yd pass from Baker (Gualdoni kick)
4th	10:18	SDSU – Strong 85 yd run (Frahm kick)
4th	9:38	SIU – Donnavan Spencer 63 yd run (Gualdoni kick)
4th	00:34	SIU – Lenoir 19 yd pass from Baker (Gualdoni kick)
OT		SIU – Spencer 10 yd run (Gualdoni kick)
OT		SDSU – Tucker Kraft 11 yd pass from Oladokun (pass failed)

### TEAM STATISTICS

	SIU	SDSU
FIRST DOWNS	26	23
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	38-183	29-182
PASSING YDS (NET)	363	377
Passes Att-Comp-Int	47-29-0	32-24-2
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	85-546	61-559
Fumble Returns-Yards	1-6	1-97
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	1-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	2-33	4-71
Interception Returns-Yards	2-0	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	5-49.2	1-50.0
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	1-1
Penalties-Yards	5-25	7-48
Possession Time	30:11	29:49
Third-Down Conversions	7 of 17	2 of 10
Fourth-Down Conversions	3 of 5	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-6	4-6
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	2-13

**RUSHING LEADERS:** SIU - Donnavan Spencer 10-103; Nic Baker 12-46; Javon Williams Jr. 9-29; Justin Strong 3-6. SDSU - Pierre Strong, Jr. 20-162; Chris Oladokun 5-8; Amar Johnson 1-8; Jaxon Janke 1-7. **PASSING LEADERS:** SIU - Nic Baker 28-45-0 359; Javon Williams Jr. 1-2-0 4. SDSU - Chris Oladokun 23-31-2 358; Pierre Strong, Jr. 1-1-0 19. **RECEIVING LEADERS:** SIU - Landon Lenoir 10-147; Javon Williams Jr. 7-31; Jerron Collins 4-104; Izaiah Hartrup 3-35. SDSU - Tucker Kraft 10-124; Pierre Strong, Jr. 4-51; Jadon Janke 3-117; Jaxon Janke 3-38; Zach Heins 2-28; Canyon Bauer 2-19. **INTERCEPTIONS:** SIU - Clayton Bush 1-0; Jakari Patterson 1-0. SDSU - none. **SACKS:** SIU - none. SDSU - Caleb Sanders 1-0-8; Tolu Ogunrinde 0.5-3; Adam Bock 0.5-2. **TACKLE LEADERS (UA-A-TOT):** SIU - Bryce Notree 8-2-10; David Miller 5-2-7; Qua Brown 6-0-6. SDSU - Adam Bock 10-7-17; Graham Spalding 4-2-6; DyShawn Gales 3-3-6; Joshua Manchigiah 2-4-6.



## #7/8 SDSU 41, WESTERN ILLINOIS 17

Oct. 16, 2021 • Hanson Field (Att: 2,827)

MACOMB, Ill. – South Dakota State broke loose from Western Illinois with a 21-point third quarter to defeat the Fighting Leathernecks, 41-17, in a Missouri Valley Football Conference matchup at Hanson Field.

The Jackrabbits, who entered the game ranked seventh in the Stats Perform media poll and eighth by the Football Championship Subdivision coaches, improved to 5-1 overall and 2-1 in league play. WIU dropped to 1-6 overall and 1-3 in the MVFC.

Holding a 13-10 halftime advantage, the Jackrabbits began to assert themselves on the opening drive of the second half. After forcing a punt after a three-and-out, Kinser Madison blocked the Leatherneck punt at the WIU 15 and Canyon Bauer scooped up the football at 9 and carried it in for a touchdown.

Although Western Illinois answered with a 15-yard touchdown run by Myles Wanza on its next drive, the Jackrabbits quickly regained the momentum with two touchdowns less than three minutes apart later in the quarter. Pierre Strong, Jr. found the end zone from 17 yards out for the first SDSU score and Jaxon Janke scored on a 21-yard pass from Chris Oladokun moments later as the Jackrabbits dominated the battle for field position in the third quarter.

Strong, who rushed 19 times for 122 yards, capped the scoring less than a minute into the fourth quarter with a 3-yard touchdown run.

The Jackrabbits drew first blood, scoring on an 8-yard touchdown pass from Oladokun to Jadon Janke midway through the first quarter.

Western Illinois would score the next 10 points over a four-minute span to take its lone lead of the game. Dennis Houston tallied for the first points for the Leathernecks on a 12-yard end-around touchdown and Mason Laramie booted a 43-yard field goal into a brisk wind.

Houston tallied a game-high 14 receptions for 71 yards.

SDSU tied the game on a 47-yard field goal by Cole Frahm and grabbed the 13-10 halftime advantage on the final play of the first half as Frahm connected again from 29 yards out.

The Jackrabbits limited WIU to 84 yards of total offense in the second half and held a 370-237 advantage for the game. SDSU's offense was spread nearly evenly as Oladokun completed 17-of-25 passes for 195 yards and the Jackrabbits gained another 175 on the ground. Jaxon Janke caught a career-high nine passes for 101 yards to lead the receiving corps.

Defensively, the Jackrabbits notched four sacks, including two by Reece Winkelman, and were led by Adam Bock's seven tackles. Michael Griffin II, Payton Shafer and Isaiah Stalbird each contributed five stops.

Western quarterback Connor Sampson was 29-of-51 passing for 207 yards.



Kinser Madison blocked a punt that was picked up and returned 9 yards for a touchdown by Canyon Bauer to jump-start a 21-point third quarter by Jackrabbits at Western Illinois.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	FINAL
South Dakota State (5-1, 1-1)	7	6	21	7	41
Western Illinois (1-6, 1-3)	7	3	7	0	17

### SCORING SUMMARY

1st	8:11	SDSU	Jadon Janke 8 yd pass from Chris Oladokun (Cole Frahm kick)
1st	1:57	WIU	Dennis Houston 12 yd run (Mason Laramie kick)
2nd	13:00	WIU	Laramie 43 yd field goal
2nd	3:38	SDSU	Frahm 47 yd field goal
2nd	0:00	SDSU	Frahm 29 yd field goal
3rd	13:36	SDSU	Canyon Bauer 9 yd blocked punt return (Frahm kick)
3rd	10:02	WIU	Myles Wanza 15 yd run (Laramie kick)
3rd	5:27	SDSU	Pierre Strong, Jr. 17 yd run (Frahm kick)
3rd	2:39	SDSU	Jaxon Janke 21 yd pass from Oladokun (Frahm kick)
4th	14:17	SDSU	Strong 3 yd run (Frahm kick)

TEAM STATISTICS	SDSU	WIU
FIRST DOWNS	18	17
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	35-175	18-30
PASSING YDS (NET)	195	207
Passes Att-Comp-Int	25-17-0	51-29-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	60-370	69-237
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	2-28	1-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	2-36	1-4
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	3-39.0	7-22.3
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	3-1
Penalties-Yards	7-55	8-56
Possession Time	31:36	28:24
Third-Down Conversions	4 of 12	7 of 18
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	1 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-5	2-2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	4-28	3-19

**RUSHING LEADERS:** SDSU - Pierre Strong, Jr. 19-122; Amar Johnson 11-57. WIU - Myles Wanza 6-27; Ludovick Choquette 2-13; Tony Tate 4-13. **PASSING LEADERS:** SDSU - Chris Oladokun 17-25-0 195. WIU - Connor Sampson 29-51-0 207. **RECEIVING LEADERS:** SDSU - Jaxon Janke 9-101; Jadon Janke 3-21; Canyon Bauer 2-51; Tucker Kraft 2-16. WIU - Dennis Houston 14-71; Tony Tate 7-75; Ludovick Choquette 3-18. **INTERCEPTIONS:** SDSU - none. WIU - none. **SACKS:** SDSU - Reece Winkelman 2.0-12; Quinton Hicks 1.0-9; Zac Wilson 1.0-7. WIU - Jalen Powe 1.0-7; Hunter Mason 1.0-1; Cole Watts 0.5-6; Greg Benton Jr. 0.5-5. **TACKLE LEADERS (UA-A-TOT):** SDSU - Adam Bock 5-2-7; Michael Griffin II 5-0-5; Payton Shafer 4-1-5; Quinton Hicks 3-2-5; Isaiah Stalbird 3-2-5; Cale Reeder 3-2-5. WIU - Darius Joiner 6-3-9; Michael Lawson 5-3-8; Greg Benton Jr., 3-3-6.

## #20/24 NORTHERN IOWA 26, #6/7 SDSU 17

Oct. 23, 2021 • Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium (Att.: 16,889)

Northern Iowa held South Dakota State's high-powered offense in check, pulling out a 26-17 victory in a matchup of nationally ranked teams before a Hobo Day crowd of 16,889 Saturday afternoon at Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium.

UNI, ranked 20th in the Stats Perform media poll and 24th by the Football Championship Subdivision coaches, improved to 4-3 overall and 2-2 in league play. The Jackrabbits, ranked sixth and seventh, respectively, dropped to 5-2 overall and 2-2 in the MVFC.

Early on, the game appeared to be headed toward a shootout. The Panthers forced an SDSU fumble on the opening drive of the game and turned a short field into a touchdown. Taking over at the Jackrabbit 14-yard line, Bradrick Shaw finished off a six-play drive — all on the ground — with a 1-yard run 5 minutes and 50 seconds into the game.

The Jackrabbits who had scored 40-plus points in each of their first six games this season, responded with their best drive of the game, needing only six plays to cover 80 yards. The last 12 yards came on a touchdown pass from Chris Oladokun to Jadon Janke. It was Janke's team-leading sixth touchdown catch of the season.

The two squads traded field goals for a 10-all tie as the game moved into the second quarter. UNI's Matthew Cook booted a 55-yard field goal in the closing seconds of the first quarter before Cole Frahm answered with a 34-yarder on the ensuing Jackrabbit drive.

Northern Iowa took a lead it would not relinquish as Isaiah Weston got behind the Jackrabbit defense for a 40-yard touchdown pass from Theo Day. Cook pushed the UNI lead to 20-10 at halftime with a 27-yard field goal late in the second quarter, then tallied a 46-yarder midway through the third quarter.

Weston ended the afternoon with a game-high 125 receiving yards on four catches. Day completed 11-of-21 attempts for 232 yards. Vance McShane led a balanced Panther rushing attack with 54 yards on 20 carries.

UNI continued to win the field-position battle until the Jackrabbits finally flipped the field by pinning the Panthers at their own 2 on a 63-yard punt by Ben Dinkel. After forcing UNI to punt out of its own end zone, the Jackrabbits made it a one-possession game in the opening minute of the fourth quarter with a four-play, 40-yard scoring drive.

Oladokun connected with Tucker Kraft for 25 yards on a third-and-4 play, setting up Pierre Strong's 9-yard touchdown run, which proved to be the Walter Payton Award candidate's longest run of the day as he finished with 53 yards on 14 carries.

Cook's fourth field goal of the day, this one from 51 yards, on the next UNI drive provided the final tally on the scoreboard for either team.

Several dropped passes thwarted Jackrabbit drives the remainder of the game and SDSU missed a chance to onnce again to get within one score as Frahm's 47-yard field goal attempt with 2:45 to play sailed wide right.

SDSU finished with a narrow 360-335 advantage in total offense. Oladokun threw for 300 yards on 24-of-53 passing, with Kraft recording nine catches for 123 yards and Jaxon Janke adding 101 yards on four receptions.

Jackrabbit linebacker Graham Spalding led all players 12 tackles, including 2.5 tackles for loss, and came away with the lone interception of the game. Michael Griffin II and Adam Bock each registered 10 tackles for SDSU, with Alfonzo Lambert pacing the Panthers with 10 stops.



Tucker Kraft recorded his second 100-yard receiving game of the season, catching nine passes for 123 yards Oct. 23 against Northern Iowa.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Northern Iowa (4-3, 2-2)	10	10	3	3	26
South Dakota State (5-2, 2-2)	7	3	0	7	17

### SCORING SUMMARY

1st	9:10	UNI	Bradrick Shaw 1 yd run (Matthew Cook kick)
1st	5:50	SDSU	Jadon Janke 12 yd pass from Chris Oladokun (Cole Frahm kick)
1st	00:05	UNI	Cook 55 yd field goal
2nd	13:21	SDSU	Frahm 34 yd field goal
2nd	10:48	UNI	Isaiah Weston 40 yd pass from Theo Day (Cook kick)
2nd	4:03	UNI	Cook 27 yd field goal
3rd	7:52	UNI	Cook 46 yd field goal
4th	14:17	SDSU	Pierre Strong, Jr. 9 yd run (Frahm kick)
4th	12:04	UNI	Cook 51 yd field goal

TEAM STATISTICS	UNI	SDSU
FIRST DOWNS	16	18
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	49-103	25-60
PASSING YDS (NET)	232	300
Passes Att-Comp-Int	21-11-1	54-24-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	70-335	79-360
Fumble Returns-Yards	1-11	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-16	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	1-7	5-87
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-8
Punts (Number-Avg)	5-43.2	5-45.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	3-38	4-42
Possession Time	34:32	25:28
Third-Down Conversions	4 of 15	5 of 19
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 1	2 of 6
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-2	3-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-33	3-25

**RUSHING LEADERS:** UNI - Vance McShane 20-54; Dom Williams 10-37; Bradrick Shaw 12-34. SDSU - Pierre Strong, Jr. 14-53; Chris Oladokun 11-7. **PASSING LEADERS:** UNI - Theo Day 11-21-1. SDSU - Chris Oladokun 24-53-0 300; Keaton Heide 0-1-0 0. **RECEIVING LEADERS:** UNI - Isaiah Weston 4-125; Quan Hampton 4-38; Tysen Kershaw 1-38; Vance McShane 1-16; Dom Williams 1-15. SDSU - Tucker Kraft 9-123; Pierre Strong, Jr. 6-37; Jaxon Janke 4-83; Zach Heins 3-38; Jadon Janke 1-12; Tyler Feldkamp 1-7. **INTERCEPTIONS:** UNI - none. SDSU - Graham Spalding 1-8. **SACKS:** UNI - Bryce Flater 1.0-14; Korby Sander 1.0-10; Caleb Houghtelling 1.0-9. SDSU - Tolu Ogunrinde 1.0-17; Xavier Ward 1.0-6; Caleb Sanders 1.0-2. **TACKLE LEADERS (UA-A-TOT):** UNI - Alfonzo Lambert 4-6-10; Riley Van Wyhe 5-2-7; Bryce Flater 5-27; Omar Brown 5-1-6; Jared Brinkman 2-4-6. SDSU - Graham Spalding 4-8-12; Michael Griffin II 6-4-10; Adam Bock 6-4-10; Caleb Frandl 5-2-7; Caleb Sanders 2-3-5; DyShawn Gales 1-4-5.



## #10/13 SDSU 47, YOUNGSTOWN STATE 16

Oct. 30, 2021 • Stambaugh Stadium (Att.: 9,423)

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio — Walter Payton Award candidate Pierre Strong, Jr. rushed for a season-high 163 yards and two touchdowns, and the South Dakota State defense turned in a strong effort to lead the Jackrabbit football team to a 47-16 road win Saturday afternoon at Stambaugh Stadium.

South Dakota State, ranked 10th in the Stats Perform media poll and 13th by the Football Championship Subdivision coaches, improved to 6-2 overall and 3-2 in the Missouri Valley Football Conference. YSU dropped to 2-5 overall and 1-4 in league play.

The Jackrabbits wasted little time to break into the scoring column, taking the opening kickoff and marching 75 yards on eight plays. After extending the drive with a pair of third-down runs that resulted in first downs, quarterback Chris Oladokun found a wide-open Zach Heins down the middle of the field for a 25-yard touchdown pass three and a half minutes into the contest.

SDSU would go on to finish 10-of-12 on third-down attempts in the game, compared to 1-of-9 by the Penguins.

Strong made it 14-0 on the next SDSU possession, scoring the first of his two touchdowns on a 5-yard run to cap a nine-play, 71-yard drive that chewed up more than five minutes.

YSU put its first points on the board on the ensuing first-quarter drive as Colt McFadden kicked a 28-yard field goal. The Penguins prevented SDSU from further increasing its lead by forcing a pair of turnovers deep in YSU territory in the second quarter, although Cole Frahm put up the only points of the second stanza on the board on the final play of the half for SDSU with a 52-yard field goal.

The Jackrabbits put the game out of reach with a pair of touchdowns in the third quarter. After Malik Lofton intercepted a pass at the YSU 35 on the Penguins' first drive of the second half, SDSU and Strong needed only one play to answer as the senior running back broke through a big hole in the center of the line and rumbled to the end zone.

That touchdown run put Strong over the 100-yard mark for the sixth time this season as he finished the afternoon with his 163 yards on 19 carries.

Reserve quarterback Rudy Voss added a 14-yard touchdown run later in the quarter for a 31-3 Jackrabbit lead.

The Penguin tandem of Bryce Oliver and backup quarterback Mitch Davidson connected for both of YSU's touchdowns — a 35-yard pass play late in the third quarter and a 31-yarder midway through the fourth. YSU starting quarterback Joe Craycraft completed only 4-of-10 passes for 36 yards, while Davidson was 6-of-7 for 111 yards.

However, after Oliver's first touchdown, Adam Bock blocked and returned the PAT try for two points for the Jackrabbits.

Oladokun and backup running back Amar Johnson each scored on 1-yard runs in the fourth quarter to finish off the scoring for SDSU, which reached the 40-point mark for the seventh time in eight games this season. Johnson carried 18 times for 87 yards, while Oladokun completed 16-of-22 passes for 260 yards.

Jaxon Janke tallied game highs of seven catches and 111 receiving yards as the Jackrabbits finished with a 553-223 advantage in total offense.

SDSU held Youngstown State's Jaleel McLaughlin to 54 yards on eight carries. As a team, the Jackrabbits registered 10 tackles for loss, led by three from Reece Winkelman and sacks by Logan Backhaus and Ryan Van Marel. Cade Terveer notched a team-high five total tackles.



Reece Winkelman recorded three of South Dakota State's 10 tackles for loss in limiting Youngstown State to 76 rushing yards in a 47-16 road victory Oct. 30

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	FINAL
South Dakota State (6-2, 3-2)	14	3	16	14	47
Youngstown State (2-5, 1-4)	3	0	6	7	16

### SCORING SUMMARY

1st	11:37	SDSU	— Zach Heins 25 yd pass from Chris Oladokun (Cole Frahm kick)
1st	5:10	SDSU	— Pierre Strong, Jr., 5 yd run (Frahm kick)
1st	2:13	YSU	— Colt McFadden 28 yd field goal
2nd	00:00	SDSU	— Frahm 52 yd field goal
3rd	13:36	SDSU	— Strong 35 yd run (Frahm kick)
3rd	3:28	SDSU	— Rudy Voss 14 yd run
3rd	1:12	YSU	— Bryce Oliver 35 yd pass from Mitch Davidson (kick blocked)
3rd	1:12	SDSU	— Adam Bock PAT return
4th	11:42	SDSU	— Oladokun 1 yd run (Frahm kick)
4th	9:32	YSU	— Oliver 31 yd pass from Davidson (McFadden kick)
4th	4:43	SDSU	— Amar Johnson 1 yd run

TEAM STATISTICS	SDSU	YSU
FIRST DOWNS	28	13
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	48-293	26-76
PASSING YDS (NET)	260	147
Passes Att-Comp-Int	22-16-1	17-10-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	70-553	43-223
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	2-2	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	1-15	1-28
Interception Returns-Yards	1-0	1-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	0-0-0	5-45.2
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	9-57	2-30
Possession Time	37:33	22:27
Third-Down Conversions	10 of 12	1 of 9
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-5	1-1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-16	2-14

**RUSHING LEADERS:** SDSU - Pierre Strong, Jr. 19-163; Amar Johnson 18-87; Rudy Voss 3-42. YSU - Jaleel McLaughlin 8-54; Dra Rushton 4-14. **PASSING LEADERS:** SDSU - Chris Oladokun 16-22-1 260. YSU - Joe Craycraft 4-10-1 36; Mitch Davidson 6-7-0 111. **RECEIVING LEADERS:** SDSU - Jaxon Janke 7-111; Tucker Kraft 3-42; Jadon Janke 3-39; Zach Heins 2-38; Canyon Bauer 1-30. YSU - Bryce Oliver 3-78; Andrew Ogletree 2-25; Jaleel McLaughlin 2-11. **INTERCEPTIONS:** SDSU - Malik Lofton 1-0. YSU - Quincy Lenton 1-0. **SACKS:** SDSU - Logan Backhaus 1.0-12; Ryan Van Marel 1.0-4. YSU - Amarian Robinson 1.0-8; Dylan Wudke 1.0-6. **TACKLE LEADERS (UA-A-TOT):** SDSU - Cade Terveer 4-1-5; Reece Winkelman 4-0-4; Cale Reeder 3-1-4; Adam Bock 2-1-3. YSU - Jordan White 2-7-9; Isaac James-Gray 4-2-6; Grant Dixon 4-2-6; Quincy Lenton 3-3-6.

## #9/12 SDSU 27, #2/2 NORTH DAKOTA STATE 19

Nov. 6, 2021 • Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium (Att.: 18,122)

South Dakota State scored on three long touchdown drives in the first half and held off second-ranked North Dakota State for a 27-19 victory Nov. 6 to retain the Dakota Marker before a crowd of 18,122 at Dana J. Dykhouse Stadium.

The Jackrabbits, ranked ninth in the Stats Perform media poll and 10th by the Football Championship Subdivision coaches, improved to 7-2 overall and remained in contention in the Missouri Valley Football Conference race with a 4-2 mark. NDSU suffered its first loss of the season, falling to 8-1 overall and 5-1 in league play.

Two plays and 16 seconds into the game, Walter Payton Award candidate Pierre Strong, Jr. broke around right end for a 75-yard touchdown run, setting the tone for a Jackrabbit squad that had lost its previous two home games.

NDSU knotted the game at 7-all midway through the opening quarter on a 22-yard touchdown pass from Cam Miller to Josh Babicz that capped a five-play, 54-yard drive.

The Jackrabbits took the lead for good on the ensuing drive, putting together a 12-play, 75-yard march that was finished off by a 1-yard touchdown run by Strong, his 14th of the season, with 18 seconds remaining in the opening quarter.

SDSU upped its lead to 24-7 with a pair of scores over a two-plus-minute span late in the second quarter. With the aid of a pair of NDSU personal foul penalties, the Jackrabbits strung together their longest scoring drive of the season in terms of plays and time of possession with a 16-play, 80-yard trek that chewed up more than nine minutes following an interception by Chase Norblade. Facing fourth-and-1 from the NDSU 11, the Jackrabbits dug deep into the playbook, directly snapping the ball through the legs of quarterback Chris Oladokun to Strong, who lofted a pass over the defense to tight end Tucker Kraft down the left seam in the end zone for a touchdown.

After forcing a punt on the next NDSU drive, the Jackrabbits gained 52 yards on seven plays to set up a 32-yard field goal by Cole Frahm on the final play of the first half.

Frahm opened the second-half scoring with a 45-yard field goal midway through the third period for what proved to be the final Jackrabbit points of the afternoon.

NDSU put together its best drive of the day later in the third quarter, drawing to within 27-14 on a 14-yard touchdown pass from Miller to RaJa Nelson. That finished off a 12-play, 75-yard drive for the Bison.

The Bison had a chance to further trim the deficit as the clock ticked under six minutes to go, but turned the ball over on downs deep in the red zone. Despite having first and goal from the SDSU 2, the Bison came up empty after three straight rushing plays resulted in the loss of one yard and a pass to the end zone on fourth down fell incomplete.

Pinned deep in their own territory, the Jackrabbits gave up a safety out of punting formation and NDSU followed with a 33-yard field goal by Jake Reinholz with 1:09 to play after the free kick.

The Jackrabbits' Cale Reeder recovered NDSU's attempt at an onside kick and SDSU took a pair of kneel-downs to run out the clock.

Strong finished the game with 156 yards on a career-high 23 carries in topping the century mark for the seventh time in nine games this season. Oladokun completed 13-of-22 passes for 157 yards, with Jaxon Janke tallying 118 yards on six catches and Kraft adding five receptions for 42 yards.



South Dakota State retained the Dakota Marker with a 27-19 victory over North Dakota State, marking the Jackrabbits' fourth win in the series in the last six seasons.

Total offense was nearly even as NDSU finished with a slight edge, 365-349. Miller completed 15-of-23 passes for 218 yards and also was the leading rusher for the Bison with 59 yards on 13 carries. Christian Watson was on the receiving end of three passes for 82 yards.

Adam Bock registered a game-high 13 tackles, including 2.5 tackles for loss and a sack, for SDSU. Isaiah Stalbird added nine tackles and Reeder was credited with a career-high seven stops from his safety position.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	FINAL
North Dakota State (8-1, 5-1)	7	0	7	5	19
South Dakota State (7-2, 4-2)	14	10	3	0	27

### SCORING SUMMARY

1st	14:44	SDSU	- Pierre Strong, Jr. 75 yd run (Cole Frahm kick)
1st	6:20	NDSU	- Josh Babicz 22 yd pass from Cam Miller (Jake Reinholz kick)
1st	00:18	SDSU	- Strong 1 yd run (Frahm kick)
2nd	2:17	SDSU	- Tucker Kraft 11 yd pass from Strong (Frahm kick)
2nd	00:00	SDSU	- Frahm 32 yd field goal
3rd	7:35	SDSU	- Frahm 45 yd field goal
3rd	00:42	NDSU	- RaJa Nelson 14 yd pass from Miller (Reinholz kick)
4th	4:21	NDSU	- Team Safety (Dawson Weber)
4th	1:09	NDSU	- Jake Reinholz 33 yd field goal

TEAM STATISTICS	NDSU	SDSU
FIRST DOWNS	20	16
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	36-147	40-181
PASSING YDS (NET)	218	168
Passes Att-Comp-Int	23-15-1	23-14-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	59-365	63-349
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	1-5
Kickoff Returns-Yards	2-46	0-0
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-15
Punts (Number-Avg)	3-37.0	2-34.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	9-75	5-52
Possession Time	29:55	30:05
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 10	7 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 1	1 of 3
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-3	3-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-8	1-2

**RUSHING LEADERS:** NDSU - Cam Miller 13-59; TaMerick Williams 12-54; Dominic Gonnella 6-33. SDSU - Pierre Strong, Jr. 123-156; Chris Oladokun 9-19; Rudy Voss 2-7. **PASSING LEADERS:** NDSU - Cam Miller 15-23-1 218. SDSU - Chris Oladokun 13-22-0 157; Pierre Strong, Jr. 1-1-0 11. **RECEIVING LEADERS:** NDSU - Christian Watson 3-82; Phoenix Sproles 3-29; Zach Mathis 2-30. SDSU - Jaxon Janke 6-118; Tucker Kraft 5-42. **INTERCEPTIONS:** NDSU - none. SDSU - Chase Norblade 1-15. **SACKS:** NDSU - Eli Mostaert 1.0-8. SDSU - Adam Bock 1.0-2. **TACKLE LEADERS (UA-A-TOT):** NDSU - Jackson Hankey 5-5-10; Michael Tuttle 5-27; Dawson Weber 4-2-6; Eli Mostaert 2-4-6. SDSU - Adam Bock 5-8-13; Isaiah Stalbird 3-6-9; Cale Reeder 3-4-7.



# 2021 STATISTICS

## GAME-BY-GAME COMPARISON

OPPONENT	SCORE	TOTAL	----FIRST DOWNS----			--RUSHING--	--PASSING--	YARDS	-TOTAL OFFENSE-	RETURN Yds	TURNOVERS
			RUSH	PASS	PEN	NUMBER-YARDS	COMP-ATT-INT		PLAYS-YARDS		
Colorado State	42-23	22/28	10/7	11/21	1/0	34-240 / 40-124	18-28-0 / 33-49-1	224 / 338	62-464 / 89-462	6 / 8	0 / 2
Lindenwood	52-7	25/10	14/4	10/6	1/0	41-330 / 31-84	16-19-0 / 9-18-1	230 / 112	60-560 / 49-196	18 / 144	0 / 1
Indiana State	44-0	22/16	8/6	13/7	1/3	34-224 / 39-78	16-25-0 / 14-29-1	293 / 148	59-517 / 68-226	13 / 71	0 / 1
Dixie State	55-7	22/17	11/2	7/13	4/2	44-200 / 24-6	12-25-0 / 28-48-4	204 / 247	69-404 / 72-253	91 / 77	0 / 5
Southern Illinois	41-42	23/26	7/11	15/13	1/2	29-182 / 38-183	24-32-2 / 29-47-0	377 / 363	61-559 / 85-546	168 / 39	3 / 2
Western Illinois	41-17	18/17	10/5	7/10	1/2	35-175 / 18-30	17-25-0 / 29-51-0	195 / 207	60-370 / 59-237	64 / 4	1 / 1
Northern Iowa	17-26	18/16	4/7	12/9	2/0	25-60 / 49-103	24-54-0 / 11-21-1	300 / 232	79-360 / 70-335	95 / 34	1 / 1
Youngstown State	47-16	28/13	15/5	12/6	1/2	48-293 / 26-76	16-22-1 / 10-17-1	260 / 147	70-553 / 43-223	17 / 28	2 / 1
North Dakota State	27-19	16/20	5/7	9/10	2/3	40-181 / 36-147	14-23-0 / 15-23-1	168 / 218	63-349 / 59-365	20 / 46	0 / 2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>366-157</b>	<b>194/163</b>	<b>84/54</b>	<b>96/95</b>	<b>14/14</b>	<b>330-1,885 / 301-831</b>	<b>157-253-3 / 178-303-10</b>	<b>2,251 / 2,012</b>	<b>583-4,136 / 604-2,843</b>	<b>492 / 451</b>	<b>7 / 16</b>

## MISCELLANEOUS GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

### THIRD-DOWN CONVERSIONS

OPPONENT	OVERALL	1ST QTR	2ND QTR	3RD QTR	4TH QTR/OT
Colorado State	5-11	1-3	3-3	0-3	1-2
Lindenwood	7-10	1-1	3-4	0-1	3-4
Indiana State	4-11	1-4	1-2	1-2	1-3
Dixie State	5-14	1-6	2-2	0-2	2-4
Southern Illinois	2-10	1-2	0-4	1-2	0-2/0-0
Western Illinois	4-12	0-2	1-5	2-2	1-3
Northern Iowa	5-19	1-2	1-5	0-3	3-9
Youngstown State	10-12	3-3	3-5	2-2	2-2
North Dakota State	7-15	3-4	2-5	1-3	1-3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>49-114</b>	<b>12-27</b>	<b>16-35</b>	<b>7-20</b>	<b>14-32/0-0</b>
	<b>43.0%</b>	<b>44.4%</b>	<b>45.7%</b>	<b>35.0%</b>	<b>43.8%</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>47-131</b>	<b>15-35</b>	<b>9-30</b>	<b>11-34</b>	<b>12-32/0-0</b>
	<b>35.9%</b>	<b>42.9%</b>	<b>30.0%</b>	<b>32.4%</b>	<b>37.5%</b>

### TIME OF POSSESSION

OPPONENT	OVERALL	1ST QTR	2ND QTR	3RD QTR	4TH QTR
Colorado State	30:27	7:26	7:04	9:18	6:39
Lindenwood	34:32	8:36	9:22	6:38	9:56
Indiana State	28:43	7:26	8:19	7:03	5:55
Dixie State	32:45	8:26	7:39	7:17	9:23
Southern Illinois	29:49	10:18	8:15	3:21	7:55
Western Illinois	31:36	6:53	7:52	8:00	8:51
Northern Iowa	25:28	6:12	6:29	4:46	8:01
Youngstown State	37:33	10:40	10:57	7:08	8:48
North Dakota State	30:05	8:20	10:59	5:18	5:28
<b>Totals</b>	<b>280:58</b>	<b>74:17</b>	<b>76:56</b>	<b>58:49</b>	<b>70:56</b>
<b>Avg.</b>	<b>31:13</b>	<b>8:15</b>	<b>8:32</b>	<b>6:32</b>	<b>7:52</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>259:02</b>	<b>60:43</b>	<b>58:04</b>	<b>76:11</b>	<b>64:04</b>
<b>Avg.</b>	<b>28:46</b>	<b>6:44</b>	<b>6:27</b>	<b>8:27</b>	<b>7:07</b>

### FOURTH-DOWN CONVERSIONS

OPPONENT	OVERALL	1ST QTR	2ND QTR	3RD QTR	4TH QTR/OT
Colorado State	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-0
Lindenwood	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
Indiana State	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
Dixie State	1-1	0-0	1-1	0-0	0-0
Southern Illinois	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0/0-0
Western Illinois	1-1	0-0	1-1	0-0	0-0
Northern Iowa	2-6	0-0	0-1	0-0	2-5
Youngstown State	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
North Dakota State	1-3	0-0	1-1	0-1	0-1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>6-12</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>3-4</b>	<b>1-2</b>	<b>2-6/0-0</b>
	<b>50.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>75.0%</b>	<b>50.0%</b>	<b>33.3%</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>7-20</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>1-4</b>	<b>0-4</b>	<b>6-12/0-0</b>
	<b>36.8%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>25.0%</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>50.0%</b>

### PENALTIES

OPPONENT	SDSU	OPP
Colorado State	6-42	5-50
Lindenwood	3-20	5-50
Indiana State	6-60	4-45
Dixie State	10-110	8-78
Southern Illinois	7-48	5-25
Western Illinois	7-55	8-56
Northern Iowa	4-42	3-38
Youngstown State	9-57	2-30
North Dakota State	5-52	9-75
<b>Totals</b>	<b>57-486</b>	<b>49-447</b>

## GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

## OFFENSE

Opponent	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE/RB	WR	WR	WR/TE	QB	RB
Colorado State	Ar. Johnson	McCormick	Genant	Lickiss	Greenfield	Davis	Jax. Janke	Jad. Janke	Wolf	Oladokun	Strong
Lindenwood	Ar. Johnson	McCormick	Genant	Lickiss	Greenfield	Heins	Jax. Janke	Jad. Janke	Kraft	Oladokun	Strong
Indiana State	Ar. Johnson	McCormick	Genant	Lickiss	Greenfield	Heins	Jax. Janke	Jad. Janke	Kraft	Oladokun	Strong
Dixie State	Ar. Johnson	McCormick	Genant	Lickiss	Greenfield	Heins	Jax. Janke	Jad. Janke	Bauer	Oladokun	Strong
Southern Illinois	Ar. Johnson	McCormick	Genant	Lickiss	Greenfield	Heins	Jax. Janke	Jad. Janke	Kraft	Oladokun	Strong
Western Illinois	Ar. Johnson	McCormick	Genant	Lickiss	Greenfield	Heins	Jax. Janke	Jad. Janke	Kraft	Oladokun	Strong
Northern Iowa	Ar. Johnson	McCormick	Genant	Lickiss	Greenfield	Kraft	Jax. Janke	Jad. Janke	Bauer	Oladokun	Strong
Youngstown St.	Ar. Johnson	McCormick	Genant	E. Miller	Greenfield	Heins	Jax. Janke	Jad. Janke	Kraft	Oladokun	Strong
N. Dakota St.	Ar. Johnson	McCormick	Genant	E. Miller	Greenfield	Heins	Jax. Janke	Jan. Janke	Kraft	Oladokun	Strong
South Dakota											
North Dakota											

## DEFENSE

Opponent	DE	DT	NT	DE	WLB	MLB	SLB	CB	SS	FS	CB
Colorado State	Winkelman	Ward	Sanders	Hicks	Backhaus	Bock	Stalbird	Gardner	Griffin	Manchigiah	Gales
Lindenwood	Winkelman	Ward	Sanders	Hicks	Backhaus	Bock	Stalbird	Gardner	Griffin	Manchigiah	Gales
Indiana State	Winkelman	Ward	Sanders	Hicks	Backhaus	Bock	Stalbird	Gardner	Griffin	Manchigiah	Gales
Dixie State	Winkelman	Ward	Sanders	Hicks	Backhaus	Bock	Stalbird	Lofton	Griffin	Manchigiah	Gales
Southern Illinois	Winkelman	Ward	Sanders	Hicks	Backhaus	Bock	Stalbird	Lofton	Griffin	Manchigiah	Gales
Western Illinois	Winkelman	Ward	Sanders	Hicks	Shafer	Bock	Stalbird	Lofton	Griffin	Reeder	Gales
Northern Iowa	Winkelman	Ward	Sanders	Ogunrinde	Spalding	Bock	Franci	Lofton	Griffin	Reeder	Gales
Youngstown St.	Winkelman	Ward	Sanders	Ogunrinde	Backhaus	Bock	Stalbird	Lofton	Griffin	Reeder	Beanum
N. Dakota St.	Winkelman	Ward	Sanders	Ogunrinde	Backhaus	Bock	Stalbird	Lofton	Griffin	Reeder	Gales
South Dakota											
North Dakota											

Since moving to the Football Championship Subdivision at the start of the 2004 season, the Jackrabbits have compiled a 43-50 record versus ranked opponents.

Following is a year-by-year look at games against ranked opponents:

**2004 0-3 record**  
 • at #13 Cal Poly (L, 7-14)  
 • at #24 Montana State (L, 24-27)  
 • at #1 Georgia Southern (L, 7-63)

**2005 0-5 record**  
 • at #3 Montana (L, 0-7)  
 • #12 Cal Poly (L, 16-24)  
 • at #16 Texas State (L, 12-42)  
 • #19 Georgia Southern (L, 42-55)  
 • at #20 North Dakota State (L, 17-41)

**2006 3-3 record**  
 • at #6 Montana (L, 7-36)  
 • at #12 Northern Iowa (L, 17-27)  
 • at #16 McNeese State (W, 20-17)  
 • at #4 Cal Poly (W, 29-28)  
 • #16 UC Davis (W, 22-21)  
 • at #4 North Dakota State (L, 28-41)

**2007 2-2 record**  
 • at #6 Youngstown State (L, 17-23)  
 • #5 Northern Iowa (L, 17-31)  
 • #19 Cal Poly (W, 48-35)  
 • #1 North Dakota State (W, 29-24)

**2008 3-4 record**  
 • #14 Youngstown State (W, 40-7)  
 • #15 Western Illinois (W, 24-22)  
 • #8 Northern Iowa (L, 20-34)  
 • #4 McNeese State (L, 44-46 - 3OT)  
 • #3 Cal Poly (L, 28-42)  
 • #9 Southern Illinois (L, 35-38)  
 • at #24 North Dakota State (W, 25-24)

**2009 1-3 record**  
 • at #17 Cal Poly (L, 14-21)  
 • vs. #6 Northern Iowa (W, 24-14)  
 • vs. #3 Southern Illinois (L, 15-34)  
 • ^at #1 Montana (L, 48-61)

**2010 2-3 record**  
 • at #16 Delaware (L, 3-26)  
 • at #15 Northern Iowa (L, 14-24)  
 • vs. #20 Western Illinois (W, 33-29)  
 • at #15 Southern Illinois (W, 31-10)  
 • at #20 North Dakota State (L, 24-31)

**2011 0-3 record**  
 • vs. #23 Indiana State (L, 28-38)  
 • vs. #2 Northern Iowa (L, 14-31)  
 • vs. #3/5 North Dakota State (L, 14-38)

**2012 3-2 record**  
 • at #22/25 Indiana State (W, 24-10)  
 • vs. #21/22 Youngstown St. (W, 41-28)  
 • at #1/1 North Dakota State (L, 17-20)  
 • ^vs. #25 Eastern Illinois (W, 58-10)  
 • ^at #1/1 North Dakota State (L, 3-28)

**2013 3-2 record**  
 • vs. #1/1 North Dakota State (L, 0-20)  
 • vs. #17/18 Northern Iowa (W, 37-34 - 2 OT)  
 • at #15/18 Youngstown St. (W, 42-13)  
 • ^at #8/9 Northern Arizona (W, 26-7)  
 • ^at #3/3 Eastern Washington (L, 17-41)

**2014 3-4 record**  
 • at #22/22 Illinois State (L, 10-45)  
 • at #20/21 Northern Iowa (W, 31-28)  
 • vs. #16/17 Youngstown State (L, 27-30)  
 • at #1/1 North Dakota State (L, 17-37)  
 • at #17/19 Indiana State (W, 32-17)  
 • ^at #17/17 Montana State (W, 47-40)  
 • at #2/3 North Dakota State (L, 24-27)

**2015 3-3 record**  
 • vs. #2/3 North Dakota State (L, 7-28)  
 • vs. #19/21 Indiana State (W, 24-7)  
 • at #11/12 Youngstown State (W, 38-8)  
 • vs. #22/25 Northern Iowa (L, 7-10)  
 • vs. #2/2 Illinois State (W, 25-20)  
 • ^at #16/17 Montana (L, 17-24)

**2016 4-1 record**  
 • vs. #8/8 Western Illinois (W, 52-14)  
 • at #1/1 North Dakota State (W, 19-17)  
 • vs. #12/13 Youngstown State (W, 24-10)  
 • ^vs. #9/10 Villanova (W, 10-7)  
 • ^at #3/3 North Dakota State (L, 10-36)

**2017 6-2 record**  
 • at #5/6 Youngstown State (L, 7-19)  
 • at #12/14 Western Illinois (W, 52-48)  
 • vs. #2/2 North Dakota State (W, 33-21)  
 • vs. #17/20 Illinois State (W, 27-24 - OT)  
 • at #15/16 South Dakota (W, 31-28)  
 • ^vs. #20/21 Northern Iowa (W, 37-22)  
 • ^vs. #20/21 New Hampshire (W, 56-14)  
 • ^at #1/1 James Madison (L, 16-51)

**2018 2-3 record**  
 • at #1/1 North Dakota State (L, 17-21)  
 • at #25 Northern Iowa (L, 9-24)  
 • at #9/11 Illinois State (W, 38-28)  
 • ^at #2/2 Kennesaw State (W, 27-17)  
 • ^at #1/1 North Dakota State (L, 21-44)

**2019 2-3 record**  
 • at #17/19 Youngstown State (W, 38-28)  
 • vs. #1/1 North Dakota State (L, 16-23)  
 • vs. #11/12 Illinois State (L, 18-27)  
 • vs. #4/5 Northern Iowa (W, 38-7)  
 • ^vs. #6/6 Northern Iowa (L, 10-13)

**2020-21 5-2 record**  
 • at #3 Northern Iowa (W, 24-20)  
 • at #14 North Dakota (L, 17-28)  
 • at #5/5 Southern Illinois (W, 44-3)  
 • at #2/3 North Dakota State (W, 27-17)  
 • ^vs. #14/14 Southern Illinois (W, 31-26)  
 • ^vs. #5/5 Delaware (W, 33-3)  
 • ^vs. #4/4 Sam Houston (L, 21-23)

**2021 1-2 record**  
 • vs. #7/8 Southern Illinois (L, 41-42 OT)  
 • vs. 20-24 Northern Iowa (L, 17-26)  
 • vs. #2/2 North Dakota State (W, 27-19)

^denotes FCS playoff game

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Opponent</b>		<b>Score</b>	<b>Overall</b>	<b>Conference</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Attend</b>
Sep 03, 2021	at Colorado St.	W	42-23	1-0	0-0	03:26	32327
Sep 11, 2021	LINDENWOOD (MO)	W	52-7	2-0	0-0	02:44	15162
* Sep 25, 2021	at Indiana State	W	44-0	3-0	1-0	3:01	6652
Oct 02, 2021	DIXIE ST.	W	55-7	4-0	1-0	03:17	14473
* Oct 09, 2021	SOUTHERN ILL.	Lo	41-42	4-1	1-1	03:30	12216
* Oct 16, 2021	at Western Illinois	W	41-17	5-1	2-1	3:18	2827
* Oct 23, 2021	#20 UNI	L	17-26	5-2	2-2	03:24	16889
* Oct 30, 2021	at Youngstown State	W	47-16	6-2	3-2	02:53	9423
* Nov 06, 2021	NORTH DAKOTA ST.	W	27-19	7-2	4-2	03:04	18122

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<b>Team Statistics</b>	<b>SDSU</b>	<b>OPP</b>
SCORING	366	157
Points Per Game	40.7	17.4
Points Off Turnovers	70	21
FIRST DOWNS	194	163
Rushing	84	54
Passing	96	95
Penalty	14	14
RUSHING YARDAGE	1885	831
Yards gained rushing	2070	1104
Yards lost rushing	185	273
Rushing Attempts	330	301
Average Per Rush	5.7	2.8
Average Per Game	209.4	92.3
TDs Rushing	22	7
PASSING YARDAGE	2251	2012
Comp-Att-Int	157-253-3	178-303-10
Average Per Pass	8.9	6.6
Average Per Catch	14.3	11.3
Average Per Game	250.1	223.6
TDs Passing	21	12
TOTAL OFFENSE	4136	2843
Total Plays	583	604
Average Per Play	7.1	4.7
Average Per Game	459.6	315.9
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	15-255	21-376
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	14-64	7-58
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	10-76	3-0
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	17.0	17.9
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	4.6	8.3
INT RETURN AVERAGE	7.6	0.0
FUMBLES-LOST	7-4	16-6
PENALTIES-Yards	57-486	49-447
Average Per Game	54.0	49.7
PUNTS-Yards	25-1082	51-1986
Average Per Punt	43.3	38.9
Net punt average	40.2	37.3
KICKOFFS-Yards	66-3884	35-2007
Average Per Kick	58.8	57.3
Net kick average	40.3	38.6
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	31:13	28:47
3RD-DOWN Conversions	49/114	47/131
3rd-Down Pct	43%	36%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	6/12	7/20
4th-Down Pct	50%	35%
SACKS BY-Yards	25-166	11-93
MISC YARDS	0	10
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	46	19
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	14-20	8-9
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	0-0
RED-ZONE SCORES	(38-42) 90%	(16-23) 70%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(30-42) 71%	(12-23) 52%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(44-44) 100%	(17-18) 94%
ATTENDANCE	76862	51229
Games/Avg Per Game	5/15372	4/12807
Neutral Site Games		0/0

<b>Score by Quarters</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>	<b>4th</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>Total</b>
South Dakota State	94	125	79	62	6	366
Opponents	27	37	23	63	7	157



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<b>Rushing</b>	<b>gp</b>	<b>att</b>	<b>gain</b>	<b>loss</b>	<b>net</b>	<b>avg</b>	<b>td</b>	<b>lg</b>	<b>avg/g</b>
Pierre Strong	9	150	1183	41	1142	7.6	14	85	126.9
Amar Johnson	9	68	358	21	337	5.0	3	28	37.4
Isaiah Davis	2	18	129	4	125	6.9	1	32	62.5
Rudy Voss	4	10	86	0	86	8.6	1	20	21.5
Chris Oladokun	9	46	181	99	82	1.8	2	18	9.1
Angel Johnson	2	12	66	0	66	5.5	0	15	33.0
Josh Buri	2	10	31	0	31	3.1	1	9	15.5
Keaton Heide	9	4	22	7	15	3.8	0	10	1.7
Jaxon Janke	9	1	7	0	7	7.0	0	7	0.8
Tucker Kraft	9	1	4	0	4	4.0	0	4	0.4
Tyler Feldkamp	8	1	3	0	3	3.0	0	3	0.4
TEAM	8	9	0	13	-13	-1.4	0	0	-1.6
Total	9	330	2070	185	1885	5.7	22	85	209.4
Opponents	9	301	1104	273	831	2.8	7	63	92.3

<b>Passing</b>	<b>gp</b>	<b>effic</b>	<b>comp-att-int</b>	<b>pct</b>	<b>yds</b>	<b>td</b>	<b>lg</b>	<b>avg/g</b>
Chris Oladokun	9	153.24	143-233-3	61.4	1991	16	55	221.2
Keaton Heide	9	240.37	10-14-0	71.4	203	2	55	22.6
Rudy Voss	4	47.33	1-3-0	33.3	5	0	5	1.2
Pierre Strong	9	575.60	3-3-0	100.0	52	3	22	5.8
Total	9	161.81	157-253-3	62.1	2251	21	55	250.1
Opponents	9	120.99	178-303-10	58.7	2012	12	61	223.6

<b>Receiving</b>	<b>gp</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>yds</b>	<b>avg</b>	<b>td</b>	<b>lg</b>	<b>avg/g</b>
Tucker Kraft	9	45	543	12.1	5	36	60.3
Jaxon Janke	9	38	668	17.6	2	55	74.2
Jadon Janke	9	22	382	17.4	6	52	42.4
Pierre Strong	9	17	121	7.1	0	32	13.4
Zach Heins	9	13	148	11.4	4	25	16.4
Canyon Bauer	9	7	116	16.6	0	36	12.9
Mason Leighton	8	4	69	17.2	1	29	8.6
Tyler Feldkamp	8	4	48	12.0	0	22	6.0
Mike Morgan	7	2	66	33.0	2	55	9.4
Amar Johnson	9	1	34	34.0	0	34	3.8
Chris Oladokun	9	1	22	22.0	1	22	2.4
A.J. Coons	7	1	18	18.0	0	18	2.6
Wyatt Seagren	5	1	11	11.0	0	11	2.2
Caleb Schauf	4	1	5	5.0	0	5	1.2
Total	9	157	2251	14.3	21	55	250.1
Opponents	9	178	2012	11.3	12	61	223.6

<b>Punt Returns</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>yds</b>	<b>avg</b>	<b>td</b>	<b>lg</b>
Tyler Feldkamp	9	28	3.1	0	14
Isaiah Davis	2	1	0.5	0	1
Kinser Madison	1	19	19.0	0	0
Cole,Devon	1	2	2.0	0	2
Landon Wolf	1	5	5.0	0	5
Canyon Bauer	0	9	0.0	1	9
Total	14	64	4.6	1	14
Opponents	7	58	8.3	0	37

<b>Interceptions</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>yds</b>	<b>avg</b>	<b>td</b>	<b>lg</b>
Malik Lofton	2	1	0.5	0	1
Daeton Mcgaughy	2	0	0.0	0	0
Graham Spalding	2	8	4.0	0	8
Dalys Beanum	1	36	36.0	1	36
Chase Norblade	1	15	15.0	0	15
Steven Arrell	1	0	0.0	0	0
Adam Bock	1	16	16.0	0	16
Total	10	76	7.6	1	36
Opponents	3	0	0.0	0	0

<b>Kick Returns</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>yds</b>	<b>avg</b>	<b>td</b>	<b>lg</b>
Tyler Feldkamp	9	151	16.8	0	22
Amar Johnson	2	43	21.5	0	22
Jadon Janke	1	28	28.0	0	28
Canyon Bauer	1	0	0.0	0	0
Brenner,Kevin	1	19	19.0	0	19
Mike Morgan	1	14	14.0	0	14
Total	15	255	17.0	0	28
Opponents	21	376	17.9	0	67

<b>Fumble Returns</b>	<b>no.</b>	<b>yds</b>	<b>avg</b>	<b>td</b>	<b>lg</b>
Malik Lofton	1	97	97.0	1	97
Total	1	97	97.0	1	97
Opponents	2	17	8.5	0	11

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Scoring	td	fg	PAT				dxd	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass			
Pierre Strong	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	84
Cole Frahm	-	14-20	42-42	-	-	-	-	-	84
Jadon Janke	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Tucker Kraft	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
Zach Heins	4	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	26
Chris Oladokun	3	-	-	-	-	1-2	-	-	18
Amar Johnson	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Jaxon Janke	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Mike Morgan	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Mason Leighton	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Canyon Bauer	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Isaiah Davis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Malik Lofton	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Dalys Beanum	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Josh Buri	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Rudy Voss	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Adam Bock	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
Hunter Dustman	-	-	1-1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Corben Mahaffy	-	-	1-1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Total	46	14-20	44-44	-	1	1-2	1	-	366
Opponents	19	8-9	17-18	-	-	0-1	-	1	157

Total Offense	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Chris Oladokun	9	279	82	1991	2073	230.3
Pierre Strong	9	153	1142	52	1194	132.7
Amar Johnson	9	68	337	0	337	37.4
Keaton Heide	9	18	15	203	218	24.2
Isaiah Davis	2	18	125	0	125	62.5
Rudy Voss	4	13	86	5	91	22.8
Angel Johnson	2	12	66	0	66	33.0
Josh Buri	2	10	31	0	31	15.5
Jaxon Janke	9	1	7	0	7	0.8
Tucker Kraft	9	1	4	0	4	0.4
Tyler Feldkamp	8	1	3	0	3	0.4
TEAM	8	9	-13	0	-13	-1.6
Total	9	583	1885	2251	4136	459.6
Opponents	9	604	831	2012	2843	315.9

Field Goals	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Cole Frahm	14-20	70.0	0-0	4-4	4-6	4-7	2-3	54	2

FG Sequence	South Dakota State	Opponents
Colorado St.	39	(35),40
Lindenwood (MO)	(54)	-
Indiana State	50,(45),(32),(27)	-
Dixie St.	(26),(37)	-
Southern Ill.	(40),(22),45,37	-
Western Illinois	(47),(29),49	(43)
UNI	(34),47	(55),(27),(46),(51)
Youngstown State	(52)	(28)
North Dakota St.	(32),(45)	(33)

Punting	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Hunter Dustman	16	681	42.6	52	1	5	5	4	0
Ben Dinkel	9	401	44.6	63	0	4	3	1	0
Total	25	1082	43.3	63	1	9	8	5	0
Opponents	51	1986	38.9	65	1	12	15	7	1

Kickoffs	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydln
Cole Frahm	66	3884	58.8	34	2			
Total	66	3884	58.8	34	2	17.9	40.3	24
Opponents	35	2007	57.3	16	2	17.0	38.6	26

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

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**South Dakota State Overall Individual Statistics (as of Nov 09, 2021)**  
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<b>All Purpose</b>	<b>g</b>	<b>rush</b>	<b>rcv</b>	<b>pr</b>	<b>kr</b>	<b>ir</b>	<b>total</b>	<b>avg/g</b>
Pierre Strong	9	1142	121	0	0	0	1263	140.3
Jaxon Janke	9	7	668	0	0	0	675	75.0
Tucker Kraft	9	4	543	0	0	0	547	60.8
Amar Johnson	9	337	34	0	43	0	414	46.0
Jadon Janke	9	0	382	0	28	0	410	45.6
Tyler Feldkamp	8	3	48	28	151	0	230	28.8
Zach Heins	9	0	148	0	0	0	148	16.4
Isaiah Davis	2	125	0	1	0	0	126	63.0
Canyon Bauer	9	0	116	9	0	0	125	13.9
Chris Oladokun	9	82	22	0	0	0	104	11.6
Rudy Voss	4	86	0	0	0	0	86	21.5
Mike Morgan	7	0	66	0	14	0	80	11.4
Mason Leighton	8	0	69	0	0	0	69	8.6
Angel Johnson	2	66	0	0	0	0	66	33.0
Dalys Beanum	9	0	0	0	0	36	36	4.0
Josh Buri	2	31	0	0	0	0	31	15.5
Kinser Madison	9	0	0	19	0	0	19	2.1
Brenner, Kevin	8	0	0	0	19	0	19	2.4
A.J. Coons	7	0	18	0	0	0	18	2.6
Adam Bock	9	0	0	0	0	16	16	1.8
Chase Norblade	5	0	0	0	0	15	15	3.0
Keaton Heide	9	15	0	0	0	0	15	1.7
Wyatt Seagren	5	0	11	0	0	0	11	2.2
Graham Spaldin	8	0	0	0	0	8	8	1.0
Caleb Schauf	4	0	5	0	0	0	5	1.2
Landon Wolf	1	0	0	5	0	0	5	5.0
Cole, Devon	2	0	0	2	0	0	2	1.0
Malik Lofton	9	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.1
TEAM	8	-13	0	0	0	0	-13	-1.6
Total	9	1885	2251	64	255	76	4531	503.4
Opponents	9	831	2012	58	376	0	3277	364.1

**The Automated ScoreBook**  
**South Dakota State Overall Defensive Statistics (as of Nov 09, 2021)**  
**All games**

#	Defensive Leaders	gp	Tackles				Sacks no-yds	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot	tfl/yds		int-yds	brup	qbh	rcv-yds	ff	kick	saf
32	Adam Bock	9	39	35	74	6.0-14	1.5-4	1-16	3	1	.	2	1	.
2D	Isaiah Stalbird	9	17	20	37	3.0-12	.	.	3	3	.	1	.	.
25	Cale Reeder	9	19	16	35	.	.	.	4	.	.	.	.	.
6D	Michael Griffin	9	22	11	33	.	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
5D	DyShawn Gales	8	18	14	32	2.0-2	.	.	3	2	.	1	.	.
29	Graham Spalding	8	17	14	31	4.0-5	1.0-1	2-8	3	.	.	.	.	.
12	Logan Backhaus	7	15	12	27	2.5-14	1.0-12	.	2	2	.	.	.	.
3D	Josh Manchighia	8	10	13	23	1.5-3	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
91	Ward,Xavier	9	6	17	23	2.0-8	1.0-6	.	.	2	1-0	.	.	.
97	Winkelman,Reece	9	12	9	21	10.0-41	4.5-30	.	3	3	1-0	1	.	.
99	Sanders,Caleb	9	11	10	21	9.5-34	4.5-28	.	.	5	.	1	.	.
1D	Malik Lofton	9	14	7	21	.	.	2-1	2	.	2-97	.	.	.
30	Payton Shafer	7	12	7	19	4.0-16	1.0-11	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
16	Caleb Franci	8	7	12	19	.	.	.	1	.	1-0	.	.	.
57	Kinser Madison	9	6	9	15	2.0-3	1.0-2	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
26	Steven Arrell	7	11	3	14	2.0-2	.	1-0	1	.	.	.	.	.
7	Dalys Beanum	9	6	8	14	2.5-3	.	1-36	.	.	.	.	.	.
48	Quinton Hicks	7	4	8	12	2.0-12	1.5-11	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
22	Tolu Ogunrinde	7	7	4	11	4.5-29	2.5-26	.	2	1	.	1	.	.
35	Chase Norblade	5	3	7	10	.	.	1-15	1	.	.	.	.	.
94	Terveer,Cade	8	6	4	10	1.5-5	0.5-3	.	1	4	.	.	.	.
0	Daeton Mcgaughy	8	3	6	9	.	.	2-0	.	.	.	.	.	.
55	Thomas Stacker	9	6	3	9	3.5-19	1.5-13	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
43	Adam Kusler	8	3	6	9	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.
69	K. Krolkowski	9	3	4	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
21	Don Gardner	3	2	4	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
40	Aaron Kusler	3	3	3	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
92	Brenner,Kevin	8	5	1	6	2.0-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1B	Matt Barnett	9	5	1	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
98	Ryan Van Marel	6	4	2	6	1.0-4	1.0-4	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
2T	Myles Taylor	2	3	1	4	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
98	Van Marel,Ryan	3	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
42	Davion Sterner	7	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
33	Thomas Motzko	6	.	3	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
52	Jarod DePriest	7	.	3	3	0.5-3	0.5-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
39	AydanDautermann	2	2	.	2	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
9C	Jaden Crockett	2	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
53	Caden Johnson	9	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	2	1-0	.	.	.
87	Zach Heins	9	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
95	Wilson,Zac	3	1	.	1	1.0-7	1.0-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
54	Eddie Miller	6	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
23	MatthewDurrance	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
5V	Levi Vanden Bos	1	1	.	1	1.0-5	1.0-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1C	Chris Rhodes	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
15	Timothy Croskey	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
45	Bradey Sorenson	9	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
90	Randy Keumogne	8	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
88	Brandon Lane Jr	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
9F	Cole Frahm	9	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
4	Canyon Bauer	9	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Total		9	319	282	601	68-246	25-166	10-76	35	29	6-97	8	2	.
Opponents		9	335	216	551	40-165	11-93	3-0	22	13	4-17	5	2	1



# The Automated ScoreBook

## South Dakota State Team Game-by-Game (as of Nov 09, 2021)

### All games

#### TEAM STATISTICS

Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	
Sep 03	at Colorado St.	34	240	4	48	18	224	2	46	18-28-0	224	2	46	1	0	0	0	2	6	0	5	464
Sep 11	LINDENWOOD (MO)	41	330	2	68	16	230	5	55	16-19-0	230	5	55	1	18	0	18	1	0	0	0	560
Sep 25	at Indiana State	34	224	1	27	16	293	4	42	16-25-0	293	4	42	0	0	0	0	3	-3	0	0	517
Oct 02	DIXIE ST.	44	200	3	30	12	204	3	55	12-25-0	204	3	55	1	28	0	28	2	26	0	14	404
Oct 09	SOUTHERN ILL.	29	182	2	85	24	377	2	52	24-32-2	377	2	52	4	71	0	21	1	0	0	0	559
Oct 16	at Western Illinois	35	175	2	47	17	195	2	36	17-25-0	195	2	36	2	36	0	22	2	28	1	9	370
Oct 23	UNI	25	60	1	9	24	300	1	36	24-54-0	300	1	36	5	87	0	22	0	0	0	0	360
Oct 30	at Youngstown State	48	293	5	35	16	260	1	30	16-22-1	260	1	30	1	15	0	15	2	2	0	2	553
Nov 06	NORTH DAKOTA ST.	40	181	2	75	14	168	1	38	14-23-0	168	1	38	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	5	349
Opponents		330	1885	22	85	157	2251	21	55	157-253-3	2251	21	55	15	255	0	28	14	64	1	14	4136
		301	831	7	63	178	2012	12	61	178-303-10	2012	12	61	21	376	0	67	7	58	0	37	2843

Games: 9 • Avg/rush: 5.7 • Avg/catch: 14.3 • Pass effic: 161.81 • KR avg: 17.0 • PR avg: 4.6 • All purpose avg/game: 503.4 • Total offense avg/gm: 459.6

		Tackles				Sacks	Fumble		Pass Defense			blkd	PAT Attempts			off		
Date	Opponent	ua	a	total	tfl-yds	no-yds	ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
Sep 03	at Colorado St.	46	46	92	6.0-14	3.0-10	0	1-0	1-0	4	6	0	6-6	0	0	0	7	42
Sep 11	LINDENWOOD (MO)	31	20	51	10.0-36	3.0-23	1	0-0	1-0	2	1	0	7-7	0	0	0	7	52
Sep 25	at Indiana State	23	64	87	8.0-31	3.0-18	0	0-0	1-16	4	5	0	5-5	0	0	0	7	44
Oct 02	DIXIE ST.	41	24	65	9.0-43	4.0-31	1	1-0	4-37	1	7	0	7-7	0	0	0	20	55
Oct 09	SOUTHERN ILL.	46	30	76	5.0-19	2.0-13	4	2-97	0-0	3	6	0	3-3	0	1	0	15	41
Oct 16	at Western Illinois	36	16	52	8.0-36	4.0-28	1	1-0	0-0	8	6	1	5-5	0	0	0	0	41
Oct 23	UNI	40	38	78	6.0-28	3.0-25	0	0-0	1-8	2	3	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	17
Oct 30	at Youngstown State	27	12	39	10.0-27	2.0-16	0	0-0	1-0	2	0	1	6-6	0	0	0	7	47
Nov 06	NORTH DAKOTA ST.	29	32	61	6.0-12	1.0-2	1	1-0	1-15	3	1	0	3-3	0	0	0	7	27
		319	282	601	68.0-246	25.0-166	8	6-97	10-76	29	35	2	44-44	0	1	0	70	366
Opponents		335	216	551	40.0-165	11.0-93	5	4-17	3-0	13	22	2	17-18	0	0	1	21	157

		Punting									Field Goals			Kickoffs				
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
Sep 03	at Colorado St.	4	168	42.0	49	0	0	2	0	1	0-1	0	0	7	455	65.0	7	0
Sep 11	LINDENWOOD (MO)	2	88	44.0	46	0	0	0	0	0	1-1	54	0	9	491	54.6	3	1
Sep 25	at Indiana State	2	72	36.0	40	0	0	1	0	1	3-4	45	1	9	566	62.9	5	0
Oct 02	DIXIE ST.	6	294	49.0	52	0	1	2	2	3	2-2	37	0	10	508	50.8	1	0
Oct 09	SOUTHERN ILL.	1	50	50.0	50	0	0	0	1	0	2-4	40	1	7	432	61.7	4	0
Oct 16	at Western Illinois	3	117	39.0	51	0	0	1	1	1	2-3	47	0	7	418	59.7	5	0
Oct 23	UNI	5	225	45.0	63	0	0	2	1	1	1-2	34	0	4	226	56.5	2	0
Oct 30	at Youngstown State	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1-1	52	0	7	420	60.0	4	1
Nov 06	NORTH DAKOTA ST.	2	68	34.0	41	0	0	1	0	1	2-2	45	0	6	368	61.3	3	0
		25	1082	43.3	63	0	1	9	5	8	14-20	54	2	66	3884	58.8	34	2
Opponents		51	1986	38.9	65	1	1	12	7	15	8-9	55	0	35	2007	57.3	16	2

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## South Dakota State Opponent Game-by-Game (as of Nov 09, 2021)

### All games

#### OPPONENT STATISTICS

Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	
Sep 03	at Colorado St.	40	124	2	19	33	338	1	36	33-49-1	338	1	36	0	0	0	0	2	8	0	9	462
Sep 11	LINDENWOOD (MO)	31	84	0	11	9	112	1	37	9-18-1	112	1	37	4	107	0	67	1	37	0	37	196
Sep 25	at Indiana State	39	78	0	19	14	148	0	27	14-29-1	148	0	27	4	71	0	23	0	0	0	0	226
Oct 02	DIXIE ST.	24	6	0	11	28	247	1	23	28-48-4	247	1	23	6	80	0	22	2	-3	0	0	253
Oct 09	SOUTHERN ILL.	38	183	2	63	29	363	4	61	29-47-0	363	4	61	2	33	0	18	0	0	0	0	546
Oct 16	at Western Illinois	18	30	2	15	29	207	0	27	29-51-0	207	0	27	1	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	237
Oct 23	UNI	49	103	1	13	11	232	1	40	11-21-1	232	1	40	1	7	0	7	1	16	0	16	335
Oct 30	at Youngstown State	26	76	0	28	10	147	2	35	10-17-1	147	2	35	1	28	0	28	0	0	0	0	223
Nov 06	NORTH DAKOTA ST.	36	147	0	19	15	218	2	40	15-23-1	218	2	40	2	46	0	29	0	0	0	0	365
South Dakota State		301	831	7	63	178	2012	12	61	178-303-10	2012	12	61	21	376	0	67	7	58	0	37	2843
		330	1885	22	85	157	2251	21	55	157-253-3	2251	21	55	15	255	0	28	14	64	1	14	4136

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		Tackles				Sacks	Fumble		Pass Defense			blkd	PAT Attempts			off		
Date	Opponent	ua	a	total	tfl-yds	no-yds	ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
Sep 03	at Colorado St.	31	28	59	4.0-11	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	6	1	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	23
Sep 11	LINDENWOOD (MO)	41	18	59	1.0-3	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	7
Sep 25	at Indiana State	29	32	61	2.0-6	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	4	2	1	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 02	DIXIE ST.	42	22	64	5.0-28	2.0-19	0	0-0	0-0	0	4	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	7
Oct 09	SOUTHERN ILL.	45	8	53	5.0-10	0.0-0	1	1-6	2-0	1	0	1	6-6	0	0	0	7	42
Oct 16	at Western Illinois	36	24	60	7.0-30	3.0-19	1	1-0	0-0	1	3	0	2-2	0	0	0	7	17
Oct 23	UNI	36	22	58	5.0-35	3.0-33	1	1-11	0-0	1	10	0	2-2	0	0	0	7	26
Oct 30	at Youngstown State	40	32	72	4.0-19	2.0-14	1	1-0	1-0	0	2	0	1-2	0	0	0	0	16
Nov 06	NORTH DAKOTA ST.	35	30	65	7.0-23	1.0-8	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2-2	0	0	1	0	19
		335	216	551	40.0-165	11.0-93	5	4-17	3-0	13	22	2	17-18	0	0	1	21	157
South Dakota State		319	282	601	68.0-246	25.0-166	8	6-97	10-76	29	35	2	44-44	0	1	0	70	366

		Punting									Field Goals			Kickoffs				
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
Sep 03	at Colorado St.	4	220	55.0	65	0	0	0	3	2	1-2	35	0	5	260	52.0	4	0
Sep 11	LINDENWOOD (MO)	7	246	35.1	41	0	0	2	0	1	0-0	0	0	2	130	65.0	1	0
Sep 25	at Indiana State	7	265	37.9	46	0	0	2	0	2	0-0	0	0	1	57	57.0	0	1
Oct 02	DIXIE ST.	8	300	37.5	50	0	0	3	1	1	0-0	0	0	2	98	49.0	0	0
Oct 09	SOUTHERN ILL.	5	246	49.2	65	0	0	0	1	3	0-0	0	0	6	362	60.3	2	0
Oct 16	at Western Illinois	7	156	22.3	34	1	0	0	0	1	1-1	43	0	4	235	58.8	2	0
Oct 23	UNI	5	216	43.2	53	0	0	2	1	3	4-4	55	0	7	404	57.7	1	1
Oct 30	at Youngstown State	5	226	45.2	57	0	1	1	1	1	1-1	28	0	4	255	63.8	3	0
Nov 06	NORTH DAKOTA ST.	3	111	37.0	37	0	0	2	0	1	1-1	33	0	4	206	51.5	3	0
		51	1986	38.9	65	1	1	12	7	15	8-9	55	0	35	2007	57.3	16	2
South Dakota State		25	1082	43.3	63	0	1	9	5	8	14-20	54	2	66	3884	58.8	34	2