

# ST. THOMAS ATHLETICS

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## First-place Tommie Football visits Butler; eyes 10-win season

**The 9-1 Toms look to extend season win streak, secure solo PFL title**

### Coming Up

St. Thomas Football (9-1 overall, 7-0 Pioneer) has won nine in a row this season since a 44-13 opening loss at FCS scholarship team Southern Utah (Southern Utah scored game's final 16 points). The Toms are away this Saturday at Butler (7-3, 5-2) in Indianapolis, Ind. with an 11 a.m. (Minnesota time) kickoff. The contest can be heard live on AM-1500 Radio Skor North, with Corbu Stathes on the play-by-play call with Ayo Idowu as the color analyst. Saturday is the last day of the regular season across FCS and the Pioneer Football League, as FCS playoffs start Nov. 26.

### Big Picture

The 7-0 Toms sit atop the Pioneer Football League with one game to go, holding a one-game lead over Dayton (6-1 in the PFL). This week, Dayton heads to North Carolina to take on Davidson, and that winner gets the Pioneer automatic bid into the FCS playoffs. The Toms have already secured at least a share of the Pioneer championship, and can clinch a solo title with a win at Butler or with a Dayton loss.

The Toms climbed in the national AFCA Coaches poll this week to No. 21 – the best national team ranking in any sport thus far in St. Thomas' D-I era. Only two non-scholarship teams are in the top 25: St. Thomas, and Ivy League leader Princeton. St. Thomas also moved into the CBS Sports.com FCS Power Rankings at No. 25.

### Do You Remember?

In its inaugural Pioneer Football League season in 2021, St. Thomas was picked for 8th out of 11 teams in the preseason poll, and later finished tied for third place. In 2022, the Toms were picked for third and now sit 7-0 with at least a share of the title.

### Milestone Watch

St. Thomas comes into this week 99-14 in games against conference opponents in the Glenn Caruso era. That includes an 87-10 record against league foes since 2010. Caruso's overall 14-season record at St. Thomas is 142-25.

### Is That Right?

Nearly two dozen teams have joined FCS football since 2004, and St. Thomas is the first program during that span to win a conference championship in its first or second season at the new level. The Purple also has the best two-season record of that group (16-4). In its third FCS season in 2017, Kennesaw State went 5-0 to win the Big South Conference. In 2006 in its third FCS season, North Dakota State won the Great West Conference at 4-0 as part of a 10-1 overall record.

### Hundred Year Cycle

St. Thomas' Pioneer Football League title share comes 100 years after the Tommies' first official football conference championship, won in 1922 in season three of the MIAC era. That St. Thomas head coach, Joe Brandy, was a former Notre Dame QB under Coach Knute Rockne and played in the same Irish backfield as legendary RB George Gipp (of "Win one for the Gipper" fame).

### Steady Growth

Glenn Caruso improved his team's win totals from the previous season in each of his first seven seasons as a D-III head coach, and has improved his team's record now from year one to year two in FCS:

2006, Macalester (first season):	2-7 (0-9 previous year)
2007, Macalester:	4-5 (2-7 previous year)
2008, St. Thomas (first season):	7-3 (2-8 previous year)
2009, St. Thomas:	11-2 (7-3 previous year)
2010, St. Thomas:	12-1 (11-2 previous year)
2011, St. Thomas:	13-1 (12-1 previous year)
2012, St. Thomas:	14-1 (13-1 previous year)
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2021, St. Thomas:	7-3, first season in FCS (no games previous year)
2022, St. Thomas:	9-1 (7-3 previous year)

## 2022 St. Thomas Football Schedule

Overall: 9-1 Pioneer League: 7-0

Home: 6-0 Away: 3-1

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Sept. 1	at Southern Utah	L, 13-44
<b>Sept. 10</b>	<b>Michigan Tech</b>	<b>W, 32-6</b>
<b>Sept. 24</b>	<b>Lincoln (Calif.)</b>	<b>W, 43-6</b>
Oct. 1	at Marist*	W, 38-24
<b>Oct. 8</b>	<b>Davidson*</b>	<b>W, 27-16</b>
<b>Oct. 15</b>	<b>Drake*</b>	<b>W, 26-14</b>
Oct. 22	at Presbyterian*	W, 46-17
<b>Oct. 29</b>	<b>San Diego*</b>	<b>W, 49-42</b>
Nov. 5	at Valparaiso*	W, 34-7
<b>Nov. 12</b>	<b>Stetson*</b>	<b>W, 23-0</b>
Nov. 9	at Butler*	11:00 a.m.

All home games in **BOLD**

Neutral site games in *Italics*

\* Denotes Pioneer Football League games

All times are Central Standard Time

Schedule is subject to change

**Longest Current D-I Football Win Streaks/FBS or FCS**

- 12, Georgia
- 11, Ohio State
- 10, Michigan
- 10, TCU
- 10, Holy Cross
- 10, Jackson State
- 10, Sacramento State
- 10, South Dakota State
- 9, St. Thomas
- 8, Florida A&M
- 8, Saint Francis (Pa.)
- 8, Samford

**Snazzy Stats**

- The Toms are now 14-0 on Senior Days in the Caruso era (last home regular season game).
- The Toms were 13-0 in season openers under Caruso before losing in 2022 at Southern Utah, 44-13 (SUU scored the last 16 points to pull away).
- The Toms also have 11 consecutive wins in games played on Saturdays.
- The Toms are 102-0 in regular-season games in the 14-season Glenn Caruso era in games when they score 25 or more points.
- The conference title share secured thus far marks the eighth conference solo or shared title in the Caruso era. The Toms have finished first, second or third in the conference all 14 seasons under Caruso.
- The Tommies' have won 26 in a row on their home field, third most consecutive current wins across all of NCAA Football (top seven are Clemson 39, Cincinnati 32, St. Thomas 26, Oregon 23, Linfield (Ore.) 23, Alabama 18, NW Missouri 18).
- St. Thomas has held a second-half lead in 22 of its last 23 conference games (MIAC, Pioneer). The exception was a 2021 season loss at Davidson.
- The Toms are trying to win 10 regular-season games and finish 8-0 in the conference for just the sixth time in program history (all under Caruso).
- St. Thomas has won nine consecutive games after a season-opening loss. No Tommie team has ever lost an opener then won its next 10. Coach Mark Dienhart's 1983 Tommie team fell in week one to UW-La Crosse, reeled off nine consecutive victories, then lost a first-round NAIA playoff game at Northwestern (Iowa) to close 9-2. That was the only previous time a Tommie team started 9-1 with an opening defeat.
- The Toms are 14-0 in the FCS era in games when they record two or more sacks
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**2022 Highlight Reel**

- St. Thomas' 24 starters include 14 freshmen or sophomore eligible players.
- Approximately 20 current seniors and fifth-year seniors were part of St. Thomas' Division III conference co-championship squad in 2018 and are now part of a Division I (FCS) co-championship in 2022.
- The Tommies rank in the top 10 out of 130 FCS teams in fewest points allowed, rushing yards allowed, total yards allowed, sacks, tackles for loss, fewest first downs allowed and third-down conversions allowed.
- Senior DB Luke Glenna had his 15th career takeaway (13th interception) last Saturday in the Stetson win.
- The Purple average 203.4 rushing yards and 186.3 passing yards a game. Offensive backs have 21 rushing TDs, receivers have 18. Last season, the Toms averaged 168 rushing yards and 152 passing yards a contest.
- Senior QB Cade Sexauer has thrown a TD pass in all 10 games this season. He has 17 touchdown passes with just eight interceptions, and his offensive line has only allowed five sacks in seven conference games.
- The Toms have received seven special teams or defensive touchdowns by seven different players during their current nine-game win streak.
- The Purple's 46 touchdowns have come from 19 different athletes. Five different players contributed the five scores Nov. 5 at Valparaiso.
- St. Thomas has come from behind to win in three of its last five games.
- The Toms are 9-1 despite a minus-6 in season takeaways vs. their foes' totals (20 lost, including nine fumbles; 14 gained, including 11 pickoffs).
- Shawn Shipman's 31 carries last Saturday (168 yards) were the most for a St. Thomas rusher so far in the 20-game FCS era.
- Freshman Stephen Shagen is 19-of-19 in PAT kicks and 3-of-5 in FG tries
- St. Thomas won two home games in October against returning conference co-champion teams Davidson (27-16 win) and San Diego (49-42 win).

**2022 St. Thomas Football Quick Facts**

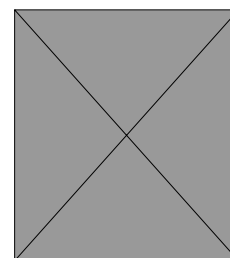
**Location** ..... St. Paul, Minn.  
**Founded** ..... 1885  
**Enrollment** ..... 6,200 undergraduates (9,800 total enrollment)  
**Nickname** ..... Tommies  
**Colors** ..... Purple & Grey  
**Affiliation** ..... NCAA Division I (2nd year)  
**Conference** ..... Pioneer Football League (2nd year)  
**Interim President** ..... Dr. Robert Vischer  
**Director of Athletics** ..... Dr. Phil Esten  
**Facility** ..... O'Shaughnessy Stadium  
**Surface** ..... Natural Grass

**Head Coach** ..... Glenn Caruso  
**Year (Record)** ..... 15th (126-21 in Division III; 16-4 in FCS)  
**Alma Mater** ..... Ithaca '96

**Assistant Coaches**  
 Wallie Kuchinski (14th season, Defensive Coordinator/OLBs)  
 Jake Landry (1st season, Offensive Coordinator/QBs)  
 Doug Lichtenberger (4th season, Special Teams Coordinator/Safeties)  
 Jarod Dodson (5th season, Academic Coordinator/Wide Receivers)  
 Jeff Duvendeck (3rd season, Career Development/Offensive Line)  
 Brady Grayvold (3rd season, Video Coordinator/Defensive Line)  
 Charles Watkins (2nd season, Running Backs)  
 Jesse Walton (1st season, Camps Coordinator/Cornerbacks)  
 Joe Ties (5th season, Inside Linebackers)  
 Ned Bingaman (3rd season, Tight Ends)  
 Ryan Coleman (9th season, Specialists Quality Control)  
 Ben Hanson (4th season, Offensive Quality Control)  
 Joshua Wilson (1st season, Defensive Quality Control)  
 Michael Armstrong (2nd season, Director of FB and Recruiting Ops)  
 Jon Haugen (2nd Season, Director of Strength and Conditioning)  
 Del Ciucci (1st Season, Assistant Director of Strength and Conditioning)

**All-Time Record** ..... 649-356-34  
**2022 Overall Record** ..... 9-1  
**Returning Players** ..... 76  
**Newcomers** ..... 34

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**Butler (2022, 7-3, 5-2 PFL)**

<b>Bulldogs</b>		<b>Opponents</b>
28.7	Scoring (Points per Game)	31.7
207	First Downs	175
1,673	Rushing Yards	1,550
2,269	Passing Yards	2,149
3,942	Total Offense	3,699
29-664	Kick Returns-Yards	34-593
17-97	Punt Returns-Yards	15-65
8-103	Interceptions-Yards	8-31
16-7	Fumbles-Lost	10-2
51-440	Penalties-Yards	53-383
40-36.8	Punts-Net Average	49-36.7
30:57	Time of Possession	29:03
59/136 (43.4%)	Third Down Conversions	47/140 (33.6%)
13-21 (61.9%)	Fourth Down Conversions	14-26(53.9%)

**2022 Butler Results**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Result</b>
Sept. 3	St. Thomas (Fla.)	W, 31-26
Sept. 10	Taylor	W, 45-10
Sept. 17	at South Dakota State	L, 17-45
Oct. 1	at Davidson*	L, 0-31
Oct. 8	Dayton*	W, 31-0
Oct. 15	at Valparaiso*	W, 26-25
Oct. 22	Marist*	W, 31-10
Oct. 29	Morehead State*	W, 56-20
Nov. 5	at San Diego*	W, 26-23
Nov. 12	at Drake*	L, 24-27
Nov. 19	St. Thomas*	11 a.m.

**St. Thomas (2022, 9-1, 7-0 PFL)**

<b>Tommies</b>		<b>Opponents</b>
33.1	Scoring	17.6
217	First Downs	161
2,034	Rushing Yards	954
1,863	Passing Yards	2,010
3,897	Total Offense	2,964
23-611	Kick Returns-Yards	43-681
20-234	Punt Returns-Yards	13-166
11-136	Interceptions-Yards	9-76
18-11	Fumbles-Lost	11-3
51-492	Penalties-Yards	83-775
30-28.3	Punts-Net Average	55-29.4
31:56	Time of Possession	28:04
57-124 (46%)	Third Down Conversions	43-144 (29.9%)
11/25 (44%)	Fourth Down Conversions	8-24 (33.3%)

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**Diggin' into Butler**

Butler (7-3, 5-2) enters Saturday's game coming off of a close loss against Drake and 2-3 on the road. Butler's roster includes 62 freshmen or redshirt freshman, and 16 seniors, redshirt seniors, or graduate students. The Bulldogs were picked for 10th in the conference preseason poll and are looking to pull off an eight-win season. This will be the second game between these programs -- the Tommies shutout the Bulldogs at home last season, 36-0.

Butler's defense sits second in the Pioneer League in scoring defense, behind St. Thomas (only allowing 19.4 pts/game), and are first in net yards per punt (37.3 net/punt) and field goals made (nine so far this season).

QB Bret Bushka, a redshirt junior from Lombard, Ill., leads the Pioneer League in total offensive yards with 396 rushing yards, 1,617 passing yards, 2,013 total yards, and an average of 287.6 yards/game.

**DEFENSIVE NOTES**

Butler's defense has averaged 374 yards allowed per game. They score an average of 27.7 points a game and allow 19.4, and they have a turnover margin of minus-5 with 15 turnovers and 10 takeaways.

**SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES**

The Bulldogs have made 12-of-13 field goals. Their kick-return game has an average of 22.9 yards/return.

**Bulldog Banter**

The Bulldogs' 108-player roster has 16 Indiana natives.

Mike Uremovich, who was named head coach of the Bulldogs in December 2021, spent his past six seasons as assistant head coach and offensive coordinator for Temple University and Northern Illinois, respectively. Uremovich played a role in coaching receiver Jadan Blue, who surpassed the century long Temple school record with 1,067 receiving yards and 95 receptions. At Northern Illinois he assisted the team to the 2018 Mid-American Conference (MAC) championship.

**Last Time Out**

In just year two of Division I play, St. Thomas has secured at least a share of the conference championship with last Saturday's 23-0 home defeat of Stetson. Sophomore Shawn Shipman rushed for a career-best 168 yards, his third 100-yard game of the season.

The Tommie defense allowed just 113 total yards en route to the program's second shutout win of the FCS era. This Senior Day victory in a 28-degree temperatures at O'Shaughnessy Stadium let the Purple extend multiple win streaks -- season wins (now nine); conference wins (now nine); home-field wins (now 26); and regular-season home-field wins (now 37). St. Thomas is 45-1 at O'Shaughnessy Stadium since October 2014 (lost 34-31 to UW-Oshkosh in 2016 NCAA playoffs).

Seven days earlier on a 70-degree day in North Carolina, Stetson passed for 426 yards in a 56-48, 2 OT loss to Davidson. But last Saturday, with wind-chill readings in the high teens, the Hatters struggled to sustain drives, and managed just one trip inside the red zone.

St. Thomas' aggressive defense set the tone on the first play from scrimmage with a nine-yard sack. The Purple defense finished with three takeaways, three sacks among eight tackles for loss, and 13 QB hurries; held Stetson to 3-of-15 on third downs and 11 total first downs; and allowed just 38 net rushing yards and 75 net passing yards.

The Toms already led 10-0 midway through the second quarter when Shipman's 57-yard run preceded a short TD run by Cade Sexauer for a 17-0 lead. Luke Glenna and Yusef Leak had pickoffs; Grif Wurtz recovered a second-quarter fumble; and Tommy Shelstad had a shared sack to go with four QB hurries. The Tommies finished with 407 yards of offense. Sexauer rushed 13 times for 60 yards. He also passed for 123 yards and one TD, a third-quarter 10-yarder to freshman tight end Matthew Rink.

**Block Star**

Morehead State's Jihad McCall and Holy Cross' Devin Haskins are tied and lead all FBC and FCS players this season in blocked punts with four apiece. Both sit just one short of the FCS season record of five held by Dominic Jones (The Citadel in 2011) and Tevin Richard (South Carolina State in 2015). The FBS season record is seven. Temple's De'Von Fox has also blocked three punts -- all in one game vs. Lafayette -- and leads all FBS players.

St. Thomas' freshman Ryan Sever (Edina, Minn./Benilde-St. Margaret's) is among nine D-I players so far in 2022 with at least three blocked kicks -- all of his are blocked punts, and all have set up touchdowns (one he blocked and returned for six points against Presbyterian; one he blocked and was returned for six by Ty Barron vs. Lincoln; and the last he blocked and was recovered in the end zone for six points by Lucas Torgerson vs. Michigan Tech).

**Most Division I Touchdowns off Blocked Punts in 2022**

- 3, St. Thomas (FCS)
- 2, South Carolina (FBS)
- 2, San Diego State (FBS)
- 2, North Dakota (FCS)

**All-Purpose Andrew**

Sophomore Andrew McElroy ranks 23rd nationally and first in the Pioneer in all-purpose yards, averaging 125.8 per game. McElroy has posted 1,258 total yards (680 receiving yards, 119 punt return yards, 423 kick return yards, and 36 rushing yards).

**Last Road Game**

St. Thomas Football used two long return plays to help break open a close game en route to a 34-7 victory over Valparaiso Nov. 5 in Pioneer Football League play. The Purple overcame three early turnovers, never trailed, and received five touchdowns from five different players as they ran their season winning streak to eight games.

Sophomore RB Hope Adebayo ran 12 times for 128 yards -- his fifth 100-yard rushing game of the Division I era -- to lead the Tommie offensive attack. Junior defensive back Grif Wurtz raced 79 yards with a Valpo fumble in the opening quarter from his first collegiate touchdown to help build a 7-0 lead.

The Toms led 14-0 at halftime, then pushed the margin to 20-0 on an Andrew McElroy 50-yard TD catch from Cade Sexauer. The Beacons regained momentum with a short TD run that cut the third-quarter lead to 20-7. But freshman Owen Kanzler zipped 89 yards on the ensuing kickoff for his first collegiate touchdown -- in just his seventh touch of the season as a receiver and returner.

That victory was a bounce back game for the Tommie defense -- it went from allowing six TDs in the previous week's win against San Diego, to only allowing one touchdown as well as scoring a TD of its own at Valpo.

The St. Thomas offense set several personal bests and D-I era team records in their San Diego win. QB Cade Sexauer threw for 286 yards and surpassed 300 yards in total offense. WR-KR Andrew McElroy was named Pioneer Football League Offensive Player of the Week after he set D-I era bests with 200 receiving yards, a 95-yard kickoff return, a 75-yard TD catch and run, and 314 all-purpose yards.

**Did You Know?**

- The 2018 Tommies averaged 7.4 penalties a game for 72 yards; the 2019 Toms averaged 7.5 a game for 68 yards). Those totals have dropped in the FCS era: last season the Toms averaged 4.6 penalties for 42 yards; this season the Toms average 5.1 for 49.2 yards a game.
- The balanced Toms have 3,897 total yards of offense through 10 games (389.7 ypg) after gaining 3,200 yards in 10 games last season (320 ypg).
- Saturday will mark 2,178 days since the Toms last lost on their home field, a Dec. 3, 2016, NCAA playoff defeat to UW-Oshkosh, 34-31.
- St. Thomas is ninth among all Division I football teams for consecutive season victories with nine (Georgia 12; Ohio State 11, TCU 10, Michigan 10, Sacramento State 10, Holy Cross 10, Jackson State 10, South Dakota State 10; St. Thomas 9).
- The Purple have won 26 in a row at O'Shaughnessy Stadium, the third most consecutive home-field wins in NCAA football behind only Clemson (39) and Cincinnati (32).
- The Toms also have nine consecutive Pioneer Football League victories, tied for seventh among all Division I programs for most conference wins in a row
- St. Thomas has held opponents to 17 or less points in 11 of 15 conference games in the FCS era.
- The Toms have had three different tailbacks rush for a 100-yard game over the six conference games thus far as freshman Gabriel Abel rushed for 100 vs. Drake; sophomore Shawn Shipman rushed for 105 yards and a TD against San Diego; and redshirt sophomore Hope Adebayo rushed for 132 at Marist and 128 at Valpo. That trio has combined to gain 1,381 yards on 241 carries (5.7 ypr) and run for 12 touchdowns.

**Longest Current Win Streaks/FCS Football**

- 10, Holy Cross
- 10, Jackson State
- 10, Sacramento State
- 10, South Dakota State
- 9, St. Thomas
- 8, Florida A&M
- 8, Saint Francis (PA)
- 8, Samford

**Most Days Since Home-Field Loss/NCAA Football**

2,199, Clemson (FBS) (11-12-2016)  
 2,178, St. Thomas (D-III/FCS) (12-3-2016)  
 1,891, Linfield (Ore.) (D-III) (9-13-2017)  
 1,834, Cincinnati (FBS) (11-10-2017)  
 1,520, Oregon (FBS) (9-22-2018)

**Hope is on the Way**

Sophomore RB Hope Adebayo raced out to a fast start in the season opener at Southern Utah by dashing 60 yards on the first play from scrimmage. That drive was capped off one play later when fellow running back Shawn Shipman capped off the 2-play, 75-yard opening drive with a touchdown. After a two-game hiatus, Adebayo rushed back onto the scene when the Tommies opened conference play at Marist, the sophomore finished with 132 yards on 16 carries, averaging 8.3 yards per rush. On the season, Adebayo has posted 490 yards rushing on 71 attempts and averages 6.9 yards per carry.

Adebayo led the St. Thomas rushing attack with 699 rushing yards on 110 attempts in 2021. Adebayo averaged 6.0 yards per carry and scored 10 touchdowns on the ground a season ago. He gashed the Stetson defense for a 78-yard touchdown on the game's opening offensive play in his first collegiate start. He finished that game with 182 rushing yards and four touchdowns, earning him Pioneer Football League Offensive Player of the Week honors.

**Righting the Ship(man)**

Sophomore running back Shawn Shipman rushed for 157 yards and two short touchdowns in his first collegiate start against Michigan Tech on Sept. 10 in the Tommies 2022 home opener. In the first 10 games of the 2022 season, Shipman has rushed the ball 137 times amassing 746 yards on the ground and is averaging 5.4 yards per rushing attempt. The Brooklyn Park, Minn., native has scored nine touchdowns on the year and is averaging 83 yards rushing per game in a shared starting role.

**Gabe is Abel**

In his first collegiate start, freshman RB Gabe Abel posted his second 100-yard rushing outing with 100 rushing yards on 18 carries with three touchdowns last month against Drake. Abel was named the PFL Offensive Player of the Week after that effort. The New Jersey native has 313 rushing yards on 64 carries, and he has scored three TDs for the Purple.

**1-2-3-4 Punch?**

St. Thomas has had four different leading rushers across the first 10 games of the season. Shipman's best performance came against Michigan Tech when he ran for 151 yards; Abel's best game was when he rushed for 104 yards against Lincoln; Adebayo's top game came when he ran for 132 yards against Marist; and Landon Reed had his top performance against Presbyterian, when he led the team with 55 rushing yards. It seems whoever totes the rock for the Toms will have success. Adding in QB Cade Sexauer and FB Josh Komis, the Purple's top six rushers have combined for 1,748 yards, 18 touchdowns, five 100-yard games, and an average more than five yards per carry.

**Notable Performances in First Career Starts by Tommie RBs**

2022: Gabe Abel, 18 carries, 100 yards, 3 TD vs. Drake  
 2022: Shawn Shipman, 23 carries, 157 yards, 2 TD vs. Michigan Tech  
 2021: Hope Adebayo, 20 carries, 182 yards, 4 TD vs. Stetson  
 2016: Josh Parks, 14 carries, 74 yards, 1 TD vs. Gustavus  
 2016: Tucker Trettel, 6 carries, 70 yards, 1 TD vs. Carleton  
 2015: Jordan Roberts, 16 carries, 92 yards, 3 TD vs. UW-La Crosse  
 2014: Nick Waldvogel, 14 carries, 67 yards, 2 TD, vs. Hamline  
 2013: Jack Kaiser, 17 carries, 60 yards, 1 TD, vs. UW-River Falls  
 2012: Brenton Braddock, 13 carries, 79 yards, 0 TD vs. Augsburg  
 2010: Colin Tobin, 14 carries, 85 yards, 1 TD vs. St. Olaf  
 2008: Ben Wartman, 11 carries, 84 yards, 2 TD vs. Macalester

**Opponent QB Talk**

Five of the Toms' eight conference opponents graduated their starting QB last spring, including 2021 league co-champs Davidson and San Diego, and 2022 road foes Marist, Presbyterian and Valparaiso. The other six opponents bring back a veteran starter at QB -- Southern Utah, Michigan Tech, Lincoln (Calif.), Drake, Stetson and Butler.

**Tommie QB History**

It's been 29 seasons since St. Thomas Football didn't feature a native Minnesotan or native NW Wisconsin athlete as its starting quarterback. The last Tommie starting QB whose hometown was 200 or more miles from campus was Tom Stallings (Chicago Heights, Ill.). Stallings guided the Purple offense in 1991, sat all of 1992 with an injury, then returned in 1993 for his final year. Stallings had a "Mic Drop" performance on Senior Day in 1993 closing his playing career with a 602-yard passing day and six TD passes in leading a 42-41 victory over Bethel to cap an 8-2 season.

This summer, Coach Glenn Caruso started fall camp with only one Minnesotan among five QBs on his roster: fifth-year senior Cade Sexauer of South St. Paul, who shared the starting job in 2021 and played in all 10 games. The 6-4 Sexauer came into fall practice with the inside track to win the starting role for the Sept. 1 opener at Southern Utah and has shown he is one of the better passers and game managers in the conference through the team's first seven games. Sexauer has shown improvement over the last five games, his touchdown to interception ratio over that time is 10 touchdowns to 2 interceptions.

Two Californians with promise are true freshmen: 6-1 Amari Powell of Valencia and 6-5 Travis Plugge of Bakersfield. Another talented athlete who played some QB last season, 6-3 sophomore Branden Smith of Las Vegas, Nev., has taken game reps at wide receiver and will lineup as a starting defensive back this week.

**Lefty Leaders**

Left-handed senior QB Cade Sexauer has led an effective, high-scoring offensive attack through the first 10 games of the 2022 season. With the guidance of Sexauer, the Tommie offense ranks second in the PFL in scoring offense, posting over 32.1 points per game.

The Toms ave another lefty contributing on special teams with true freshman left-footed kicker Stephen Shagen. The Park City, Utah native pushed returning starter Louis Hyde for the No. 1 kicking spot. In the 2021 season opener, Hyde kicked a tie-breaking 32-yard field goal with 59 seconds left to give the Toms a 12-9 win at Michigan Tech. Hyde converted 5-of-8 field goals and 25-of-26 PAT kicks last season.

Shagen has one of the more interesting bios on the roster. A soccer player through his junior season, he's only played one year of high school football (2021). But the inexperience didn't show as he nailed all 30 PATs and 8-of-10 field-goal attempts last season. He's one of the first few -- if not the first -- Utah natives to compete for St. Thomas Football.

**Upper Echelon of the Conference**

The Tommies rank in the upper echelon of the conference in a myriad of statistical categories. Below are rankings and statistics for all games by the eight conference schools so far this season. These stats and rankings include totals from the Tommies' game against FCS opponent Southern Utah University.

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Stat</b>
<b>Defense</b>		
1st	Scoring Defense	19.6 points per game
T-1st	Rushing TD Allowed	7 total touchdowns
2nd	Rushing Yards Allowed	101.8 yards per game
3rd	Total Defense	315.4 yards per game
<b>Offense</b>		
2nd	Touchdowns Scored	43 total touchdowns
2nd	Scoring Offense	34.2 points per game
2nd	Rushing Touchdowns	20 total touchdowns
2nd	Rushing Offense	195.6 yards per game
<b>Team</b>		
1st	Opponent Penalties Committed	79 penalties (8.8 per game)
1st	Blocked Punt Return TD	3 total touchdowns
<b>Individual</b>		
1st	All-Purpose Yards	Andrew McElroy – 135.8 yards per game
1st	Pass Yards per Completion	Cade Sexauer – 13.72 per attempt
T-1st	Receiving TDs	Andrew McElroy - 7 receiving TDs
T-1st	Total Offensive TDs	Cade Sexauer - 20 total TDs
T-1st	Tackles for Loss	Trent Meyer - 11 tackles for loss
2nd	Passing Touchdowns	Cade Sexauer - 16 passing TDs
2nd	Pass Efficiency	Cade Sexauer – 146.3 eff. rating
T-3rd	Rushing TDs	Shawn Shipman – 8 rushing TDs
3rd	Rushing Yards per Game	Shawn Shipman – 72.25 rush yards per game

**I'm Honored**

Tommie Football junior defensive back Grif Wurtz was named Pioneer's Defensive Player of the Week on Nov. 6. Wurtz' 79-yard fumble recovery and return run to the end zone in the first quarter turned momentum early for the Purple en route to a 34-7 win at Valparaiso. It was the first career touchdown for Wurtz, who added three solo and two assisted tackles.

**Proud Program Builder**

15-year Head Coach Glenn Caruso has an 16-4 record in FCS after building a 126-21 record in the Toms' D-III era.

Adding in his 6-12 record in two seasons of a rebuilding project as Macalester College head coach (2006, 2007), Caruso boasts a 148-37 career record (.800). That all-game win percentage ranks in the top 10 among current NCAA football coaches at all levels who have worked 10 or more seasons.

**A Balanced Offense**

St. Thomas Football has put together a strong season so far, despite not having many superstar performances.

The Tommies have won despite these totals by category leaders:

- The leading passer, Cade Sexauer, has averaged 173 yards per game.
- The leading receiver, Andrew McElroy, has averaged 68 yards per game.
- The leading rusher, Shawn Shipman, has averaged 83 yards per game.
- Their leading scorer, Shawn Shipman, has averaged 5.4 points per game

**Home Sweet Home**

St. Thomas has begun its Division I era with a 10-0 home record – which builds on its 31-1 home-field record in its last 32 D-III games played on campus. The only loss in that span was to eventual D-III runner-up UW-Oshkosh 34-31 in the 2016 NCAA playoffs. The Toms are currently on a 37-game home-field regular-season win streak (10-0 in the program's D-I era).

**Halftime is Almost Always Right**

Across the Toms' first 20 games of Division I play, they have trailed or been tied at halftime five times. That included St. Thomas's only four losses over that stretch. The trend broke against Presbyterian when St. Thomas found themselves down 17-14 at half, but they outscored Presbyterian 32-0 over the second half in order to complete the comeback.

**Fun Facts**

- St. Thomas made program history with road games in the states of Utah, New York, South Carolina and Indiana.
- The Tommies' three dozen newcomers for 2022 come from 14 different states.
- The Purple have their first graduate students in program history in veteran LB Trent Meyer, LB Ty Barron (2022 Minnesota transfer) and DL Mark O'Reilly (2022 Concordia-St. Paul transfer)
- St. Thomas' 30 seniors include 13 who are 2018 high school grads and now starting their fifth season of eligibility. Besides the three graduate students, other fifth-years are 2021 transfer LB Kellan McKeag; offensive lineman Matt Weimann and Mark Schmitz; defensive linemen Seth Bickett, Noah Borgeson and Brent Robley; QB Cade Sexauer; TE Max Zimmerman; FB Joshua Komis; and DB Luke Glenna.
- In 127 games last decade (2010-2019), St. Thomas defenders recorded 21 interception return touchdowns.

**24, Magic Number**

In the D-1 era, St. Thomas Football has posted an undefeated 16-0 record when either scoring more than 24 points or holding their opponents to 24 or less points. All four of the Tommie D-I losses have come in games where they both failed to score more than 24 points and allowed more than 24 points.

**St. Thomas Returning Academic All-Conference honorees**

## Defense

- #91 – DL Seth Bickett, Actuarial Science major 4.00
- #90 -- DL Noah Borgeson, Political Science major 3.93
- #41 -- LB Jonathan Bunce, Business Administration 3.91
- #49 – DL Brent Robley, Biology major 3.87

## Offense

- #14 – QB Cade Sexauer, Mechanical Engineering major, 3.63
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**Pioneer Football League by the Numbers**

11: Members for 2022 season with the addition of Presbyterian and St. Thomas in 2021

8: Conference games each team plays each season

8: Teams with Red or Blue as primary color

3: Teams with primary colors of Green (Stetson), Brown/Yellow (Valparaiso) or Purple (St. Thomas)

3: Teams that play games on natural grass (San Diego, Stetson, Presbyterian)

2: Teams with Bulldogs as nickname (Drake, Butler)

1: Team that changed nicknames in 2021 (Valparaiso, was Crusaders now Beacons)

2: Teams whose nickname includes a color (Presbyterian Blue Hose, Marist Red Foxes)

4: Only college teams that don't share a nickname (Presbyterian Blue Hose, Stetson Hatters, San Diego Toreros, St. Thomas Tommies)

1: Team located in Pacific time zone

2: Teams located in Central time zone

8: Teams located in Eastern time zone

6: Teams that at one time were Division III programs (Dayton, San Diego, Marist, Valparaiso, Davidson, St. Thomas)

3: Teams located in a city that's the state capital (Butler/Indy; Drake/Des Moines; St. Thomas/St. Paul)

4: Remaining charter members since league's 1993 creation (Dayton, Drake, Butler, Valparaiso)

6: Different programs to win or share a PFL championship since 2012 (San Diego, Davidson, Dayton, Drake, Marist, Butler)

15-1: Coaching record in PFL games for Jim Harbaugh at San Diego, 2004-06

57: Years, from 1956-2013, when Stetson didn't play football before restarting its program

5: Current Pioneer schools that once played in a January 1 bowl game (Dayton, Drake, Presbyterian, Valparaiso, St. Thomas)

**About Butler**

Location: Indianapolis, Ind. (pop. 882,039)

Distance to St. Paul: 585 miles

Founded: 1855

Athletics Website: [butlersports.com](http://butlersports.com)

Undergrad Enrollment: 4,537

Nickname: Bulldogs

Colors: White and Blue

FB Stadium: Bud and Jackie Sellick Bowl (5,647)

Surface: Turf

2022 FB Record: 7-3

FB Head Coach: Mike Uremovich (1st season)

**Sacking a Win**

In 2021, an interesting trend emerged for the Tommies. In the seven games where they recorded two or more sacks, they ended up winning, but in the three games where they recorded one or no sacks, they ended up losing. This season St. Thomas has gone 2-1 in games where they recorded one or fewer sacks, but have kept the undefeated record, going 7-0 in games with multiple sacks.

**Starting Strong**

The Tommies have scored a first-quarter touchdown in each of their nine of their 10 games. In the first five games of the season, St. Thomas went 5-for-5 on scoring touchdowns in its first offensive possession of the contest.

**Pioneers in the Pioneer League**

St. Thomas posted a 6-2 record against Pioneer Football League teams in its first year in the conference. The Tommies two losses came at the hands of the top-two ranked teams in the conference - Davidson (7-1 PFL) and San Diego (7-1 PFL).

**Tommie D**

A season ago, St. Thomas' defense also only allowed an impressive 17.8 points per game. They have performed similarly this year allowing 19.6 points per game through nine games this season, which includes a 44-point outing by Southern Utah and a 16-point effort from perennial PFL offensive powerhouse, Davidson.

**Touchdown Talk**

St. Thomas did something last season that only two other D-I football programs can claim for 2021: record a .700 or better win percentage despite scoring under 25 ppg.

The Toms finished 7-3 while scoring 24.4 ppg and allowing just 17.8 ppg. Iowa in FBS did it (10-4 record, 23.4 ppg on offense), as did FCS's Columbia (7-3, 24.9 ppg).

The Toms' success was helped as it ranked 13th among all 123 FCS teams in fewest points allowed per game at 17.8. Only 18 of the opponents' 22 TDs in 2021 were scored on the Tommie defense, too, as four TDs came via special teams and defensive scores. The Purple ranked first among all FCS and FBS teams in takeaways per game at 2.7.

St. Thomas averaged scoring nearly six touchdowns a game in Caruso's 12-season D-III chapter (845 TDs in all). Last year's Tommies scored 33 TDs in 10 games in season one of D-I competition.

The Toms recently scored the program's 900th touchdown of the Caruso era, and now have 932 touchdowns in his 14 seasons at the helm.

This season the Tommies already have a total of 46 TDs in 10 games, and the offense has only improved as the season has gone on.

**Offensive Improvements**

In 2021, St Thomas did their best in low-scoring games with the team scoring an average of 24.4 points per game.

This season the Tommies have averaged 34.2 points per game. For some perspective, the Tommies have scored more than their average last year, 24.4 points, in each of their last eight games.

Another metric which shows the Tommie improvement is that they currently have 43 touchdowns over their first nine games of this season. That number has surpassed the 33 TDs they scored in 2021 by ten.

**Fresh Starts**

Three Tommie opponents have new head coaches for 2022:

- Southern Utah hired DeLane Fitzgerald from the NCAA Division II ranks at Frostburg State.
- Butler's 16th-year head coach Jeff Voris resigned and was replaced by Temple offensive coordinator Mike Uremovich.
- Presbyterian's first-year coach Kevin Kelley resigned and was replaced by former Florida Tech head coach Steve Engelhart.

A fourth foe, Lincoln University of Oakland, has a second-year head coach in Desmond Gumbs. Lincoln started its athletics program in 2021 and sponsors five men's sports and three women's sports. Its football team posted a 1-9 record last season and played all 10 games on the road over seven states.

Another PFL opponent, Stetson, also has a second-year head coach in Brian Young.

# 2022 St. Thomas Tommies Football Numerical Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Year	Height	Weight	Hometown/Previous Team
1	Gabriel Abel	Fr.	RB	5-9	191	Trenton, N.J. / Salisbury School
1	Logan Cassady	Fr.	DB	6-1	183	Truro, Iowa / Interstate 35 High
2	Sanjay Redd	Fr.	DB	5-10	162	St. Paul, Minn. / Minnehaha Academy (SMB)
2	Savion Johnson	So.	WR	5-5	156	Minneapolis, Minn. / Washburn
3	Grif Wurtz	Jr.	DB	5-11	193	Chaska, Minn. / Chaska
4	Hope Adebayo	So.	RB	5-8	196	Inver Grove Heights, Minn. / Simley
4	JP Yocum	Fr.	K	5-11	173	Lake Elmo, Minn. / Hill-Murray
5	Johnson Fallah	Sr.	DB	6-2	182	Brooklyn Park, Minn. / Osseo
5	Joshua Komis	Sr.	RB	5-10	239	Green Bay, Wis. / Southwest
6	Yusef Leak	So.	DB	6-0	178	Orlando, Fla. / Master's Academy
6	Jacob Miller	Sr.	WR	5-11	202	Victoria, Minn. / Chanhassen
7	Mason Cassady	So.	DB	5-11	193	Truro, Iowa / Interstate 35 High
7	Amari Powell	Fr.	QB	6-1	188	Valencia, Calif. / Chaminade College Prep
8	Rod Finley	Fr.	DB	5-10	192	Farmington, Minn. / Farmington
8	Wesley Juszcak	Sr.	WR	6-4	217	Mukwonago, Wis. / Mukwonago
9	Tyree Gardner	Fr.	DB	6-2	195	Waterloo, Iowa / West
9	Jacob Wildermuth	Jr.	WR	6-4	208	Plymouth, Minn. / Wayzata
10	Travis Plugge	Fr.	QB	6-5	217	Bakersfield, Calif. / Garces Memorial
10	Ryan Sever	Fr.	LB	6-1	217	Edina, Minn. / Benilde-St. Margaret's
11	Bryce Boyd	Fr.	WR	6-4	207	Shakopee, Minn. / Holy Angels
11	Den Juette	Fr.	DB	6-2	186	Chicago, Ill. / Fenwick
12	Ben Audette	Fr.	WR	6-1	212	Andover, Minn. / Andover
12	Trent Meyer	Gr.	LB	6-0	228	Sartell, Minn. / St. Cloud Tech
13	Branden Smith	So.	DB	6-3	193	Las Vegas, Nev. / Cimarron-Memorial
14	Malik Jackson	Sr.	DB	6-1	179	Pacoima, Calif. / Bishop Alemany
14	Cade Sexauer	Sr.	QB	6-4	222	South St. Paul, Minn. / South St. Paul
15	David Ayeni	So.	LB	6-1	233	Anoka, Minn. / Anoka
15	Julian Cavin	Sr.	WR	5-11	198	Brooklyn Park, Minn. / Maranatha Christian
16	Mitchell Schares	Fr.	DB	6-4	191	Cedar Rapids, Iowa / Kennedy
16	Lucas Torgerson	Jr.	WR	6-2	201	Turtle Lake, Wis. / Turtle Lake
17	Andrew McElroy	So.	WR	6-3	184	Bolingbrook, Ill. / Bolingbrook
17	Jordan Pendleton	Fr.	DB	6-3	201	Memphis, Tenn. / Lausanne Collegiate School
18	Colin Dussault	Fr.	WR	6-6	188	Chaska, Minn. / Chaska
18	Kam In	Sr.	DB	6-1	196	Arlington, Minn. / Sibley East
19	Luke Herzog	So.	LB	6-2	232	Mendota Heights, Minn. / St. Thomas Academy
19	Simon Stark	Sr.	WR	5-10	186	Woodbury, Minn. / East Ridge
20	Owen Kanzler	Fr.	RB	6-0	190	Rogers, Minn. / Rogers
21	Andrew Thomas	Jr.	WR	6-2	191	Green Bay, Wis. / Bay Port
22	Ryan Calcagno	Fr.	DB	6-3	190	St. Charles, Ill. / St. Francis
23	Luke Glenna	Sr.	DB	5-11	189	Edina, Minn. / Edina
24	Colin Chase	Fr.	WR	6-1	184	Orange County, Calif. / St. John Bosco
24	Colin Zinn	Fr.	DB	5-11	188	Woodstock, Ill. / Woodstock North
25	Matthew Guggemos	Jr.	DB	6-0	207	Eden Prairie, Minn. / Benilde-St. Margaret's
26	Shawn Shipman	So.	RB	6-0	204	Brooklyn Park, Minn. / Champlin Park
27	Kellan McKeag	Sr.	LB	6-0	229	Apple Valley, Minn. / Apple Valley
27	Gus Theisen	Fr.	RB	5-10	207	Eau Claire, Wis. / Regis Eau Claire
28	IBK Mafe	So.	LB	6-2	227	Blaine, Minn. / Blaine
29	Nick Hand	So.	DB	6-3	204	Rogers, Minn. / Totino-Grace
29	Jarred Zuehl	Fr.	RB	6-2	230	Maple Grove, Minn. / Orange Lutheran High School
30	Kolby Gartner	Jr.	P	6-2	217	St. Michael, Minn. / St. Michael-Albertville
31	Caden Nelson	So.	LB	6-2	220	Waunakee, Wis. / Waunakee
32	Landon Reed	So.	RB	6-0	228	Naples, Fla. / Community
33	Malaki-Milton Jackson	Jr.	LB	6-1	222	Plymouth, Minn. / Wayzata
34	Brandon Liston	Jr.	RB	5-10	231	Lombard, Ill. / Montini
34	Tommy Shelstad	Sr.	LB	5-10	229	Bloomington, Minn. / Holy Angels
35	Charlie Boucher	Fr.	LB	6-2	231	Minneapolis, Minn. / Southwest
36	Nick Flaskamp	So.	LB	5-11	222	Minneapolis, Minn. / Southwest
37	Ty Barron	Gr.	LB	5-11	217	Minnetonka, Minn. / Minnetonka
39	Stephen Shagen	Fr.	K	6-0	176	Park City, Utah / Park City
40	Jack Mohler	Sr.	LB	6-1	223	Woodbury, Minn. / East Ridge
41	Jonathan Bunce	So.	LB	6-3	239	Edina, Minn. / Edina

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42	Evan Tyler	Fr.	DL	6-3	240	Hudson, Wis. / Hudson
43	Nick Stanger	Jr.	LB	6-3	221	Chaska, Minn. / Chaska
44	Grant Achterkirch	Fr.	LB	6-2	213	Owatonna, Minn. / Owatonna
45	Jack Francl	So.	LS	6-0	227	Omaha, Neb. / Creighton Prep
46	Seth Bullard	Fr.	LB	6-0	220	Castroville, Texas / Medina Valley
46	Delaineey Suraju	Fr.	DL	6-0	252	Elko New Market, Minn. / Lakeville South
47	Grant Gerber	So.	LB	6-2	226	Eau Claire, Wis. / Memorial
48	Louis Hyde	Jr.	K	5-11	186	St. Louis Park, Minn. / Benilde-St. Margaret's
49	Brent Robley	Sr.	DL	5-9	262	Brownsville, Minn. / Caledonia
50	Alex Kuntz	Sr.	OL	5-11	272	St. Paul, Minn. / St. Thomas Academy
53	Matt Weimann	Sr.	OL	6-4	319	Oakdale, Minn. / Hill-Murray
56	Duncan Sprengel	Fr.	OL	6-2	285	Pasadena, Calif. / St. Francis
59	Aaron Arnold	Jr.	OL	6-7	292	Minneapolis, Minn. / Minnehaha Academy (SMB)
61	Ben Boorsma	Sr.	OL	6-6	287	Chanhausen, Minn. / Chanhausen
62	Lucas Cannon	Fr.	OL	6-5	286	Green Bay, Wis. / Luxemburg-Casco
65	Seth Hopkins	Jr.	DL	6-0	277	Elk River, Minn. / Elk River
66	Langston Robinson	So.	OL	6-2	291	Milwaukee, Wis. / Marquette
67	Jason Laliberte	So.	OL	6-8	303	Maple Grove, Minn. / Maple Grove
68	Grahm Dixon	Fr.	OL	6-4	309	Wooster, Ohio / Wooster
70	Dane Demuth	Jr.	OL	6-5	285	Hudson, Wis. / Hudson
71	Mark Schmitz	Sr.	OL	6-1	270	Minnetonka, Minn. / Minnetonka
72	Alec Rasmussen	So.	OL	6-7	299	Wayzata, Minn. / Wayzata
73	Brandon Prentis	Sr.	OL	6-4	308	Andover, Minn. / Andover
74	Shane Aberg	So.	OL	6-5	314	San Jose, Calif. / Archbishop Mitty
75	Gavin Falk	Fr.	OL	6-5	301	Edina, Minn. / Edina
76	Brock Stanek	So.	OL	6-5	282	Callender, Iowa / Fort Dodge St. Edmond
77	Shea Albrecht	So.	OL	6-4	319	Orono, Minn. / Orono
78	James Morrison	Fr.	OL	6-6	323	West St. Paul, Minn. / Cretin-Derham Hall
79	Ethan Goodrich	Fr.	OL	6-6	284	Iowa City, Iowa / City
80	Jack Kinsey	Fr.	TE	6-5	238	Plymouth, Minn. / Wayzata
81	Will Burke	Fr.	TE	6-4	236	St. Paul / Cretin-Derham Hall
82	James Klecker	Sr.	TE	6-3	232	Minnetonka, Minn. / Hopkins
83	Patrick Wagner	Fr.	TE	6-3	232	Crofton, Md. / Archbishop Spalding
85	Aidan Nasser	Fr.	TE	6-5	223	Whittier, Calif. / La Mirada
86	Max Zimmerman	Sr.	TE	6-2	238	Brainerd, Minn. / Brainerd
87	Matthew Rink	Fr.	TE	6-5	257	Lincoln, Neb./Southwest
88	Aiden Carlson	So.	TE	6-5	241	Fargo, N.D. / North
89	John McBride	So.	TE	6-5	244	White Bear Lake, Minn. / White Bear Lake
90	Noah Borgeson	Sr.	DL	6-2	261	Rochester, Minn. / Lourdes
91	Seth Bickett	Sr.	DL	5-10	271	Pewaukee, Wis. / Pewaukee
92	Joey Fitzgerald	Sr.	DL	6-2	247	Chicago, Ill. / Brother Rice
93	Brody Kallman	Fr.	DL	6-5	259	Tucson, Ariz. / Cienega
94	Jake Coleman	Jr.	DL	6-2	250	West Des Moines, Iowa / Valley
95	C.J. Warren	Sr.	DL	6-3	277	Circle Pines, Minn. / Centennial
96	Luis Miranda	Fr.	DL	6-3	254	San Antonio, Texas / Taft
97	Jordan Titus	So.	DL	6-1	308	Hutchinson, Minn. / Hutchinson
98	Noah Friedt	So.	DL	6-2	262	Lakeville, Minn. / Apple Valley
99	Mark O'Reilly	Gr.	DL	6-4	258	Mokena, Ill. / Lincoln-Way Central HS

**Head Coach:** Glenn Caruso (15th season)

### Assistant Coaches:

Wallie Kuchinski (14th season, Defensive Coordinator/OLBs)  
 Jake Landry (1st season, Offensive Coordinator/QBs)  
 Doug Lichtenberger (4th season, Special Teams Coordinator/Safeties)  
 Jarod Dodson (5th season, Academic Coordinator/Wide Receivers)  
 Jeff Duvendeck (3rd season, Career Development/Offensive Line)  
 Brady Grayvold (3rd season, Video Coordinator/Defensive Line)  
 Charles Watkins (2nd season, Running Backs)  
 Jesse Walton (1st season, Camps Coordinator/Cornerbacks)  
 Joe Ties (5th season, Inside Linebackers)  
 Ned Bingaman (3rd season, Tight Ends)  
 Ryan Coleman (9th season, Specialists Quality Control)  
 Ben Hanson (4th season, Offensive Quality Control)  
 Joshua Wilson (1st season, Defensive Quality Control)  
 Michael Armstrong (2nd season, Director of Football and Recruiting Operations)  
 Jon Haugen (2nd Season, Director of Strength and Conditioning)  
 Del Ciucci (1st Season, Assistant Director of Strength and Conditioning)

## 2022 St. Thomas Tommies Football Pronunciation

No.	Name	Pronunciation
1	<b>SANJAY</b> Redd	SUN-jay
2	<b>SAVION</b> Johnson	SAVE-ee-on
3	Grif <b>WURTZ</b>	WERE-tz
4	Hope <b>ADEBAYO</b>	ODD-eh-buy-oh
5	Joshua <b>KOMIS</b>	CO-miss
6	<b>YUSEF</b> Leak	YOU-seff
8	Wesley <b>JUSZCZAK</b>	JEWZ-ack
9	Jacob <b>WILDERMUTH</b>	WILL-der-muth
10	Travis <b>PLUGGE</b>	PLUG-ee
10	Ryan <b>SEVER</b>	SEE-ver
11	Den <b>JUETTE</b>	JEW-ett
14	Cade <b>SEXAUER</b>	sex-HOUR
15	David <b>AYENI</b>	EYE-n-ee
15	Julian <b>CAVIN</b>	CAVE-in
16	Mitchell <b>SCHARES</b>	shares
17	Andrew <b>MCELROY</b>	MACK-el-roy
21	Colin <b>DUSSAULT</b>	DUH-salt
22	Ryan <b>CALCAGNO</b>	cal-KEG-no
25	Matthew <b>GUGGEMOS</b>	GOOG-ah-mos
27	Gus <b>THEISEN</b>	THEE-sen
27	Kellan <b>MCKEAG</b>	mick-KEG
28	IBK <b>MAFE</b>	mah-fee
29	Jarred <b>ZUEHL</b>	ZOOL
35	Charlie <b>BOUCHER</b>	BOO-shay
43	Nick <b>STANGER</b>	rhymes with banger
44	Grant <b>ACHTERKIRCH</b>	OCT-ah-kirk
45	Jack <b>FRANCL</b>	FRANCE-uhl
50	Alex <b>KUNTZ</b>	COON-tz
53	Matt <b>WEIMANN</b>	why-MAN
56	Duncan <b>SPRENGEL</b>	SPRING-uhl
67	Jason <b>LALIBERTE</b>	lahl-eh-bert-ee
76	Brock <b>STANEK</b>	STON-ick
90	Noah <b>BORGESON</b>	BOHR-ge-son
93	Brody <b>KALLMAN</b>	CALL-men
96	<b>LUIS</b> Miranda	LOO-ee-s

