

GAME 10

TENNESSEE STATE FOOTBALL



SET THE SCENE

Stadium: Nissan Stadium
Capacity: 69,143
Surface: TifSport Bermuda Sod
Forecast: Day 48° Cloud // Night 28° Cloudy

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TENNESSEE STATE TIGERS

3-6, 3-2 OVC

Head Coach: Eddie George (Ohio State, 2001)

Record at TSU: 8-12 (2nd Season)

Career Record: Same

Home: 2-2 | **Road:** 1-3 | **Neutral:** 0-1 | **Streak:** L2



UT MARTIN SKYHAWKS

6-2, 2-0 OVC

Head Coach: Jason Simpson (Southern Miss., 1994)

Record at UTM: 105-84 (17th Season)

Career Record: Same

Home: 3-1 | **Road:** 2-3 | **Neutral:** 0-0 | **Streak:** L1

GAME NOTES

OPENING DRIVE: With just one home game left on the schedule, the Tennessee State football team 3-6 (2-2 OVC) will now turn its focus toward UT Martin 5-4 (3-0 OVC) as they are set to host the Skyhawks for senior day on Saturday. The Tigers and the Skyhawks are both coming off losses this past week as TSU fell to SEMO, while UTM dropped a non-conference game to Kennesaw State.

WHERE TO WATCH & LISTEN: TSU expanded its partnership with Cromwell Media naming 94.9 FM The Fan as the flagship station for TSU Football. "The Voice of the Tigers" Greg Pogue returns for his 11th season behind the mic and will be joined by newcomer analysts to the booth former Tennessee Titans wide receiver Chris Sanders and left tackle, Brad Hopkins. The action can also be heard on the TSU Tigers app.

SERIES INFORMATION: The Tigers and the Skyhawks have met 31 times, with TSU holding the 18-13 advantage in the win column. UTM won the first-ever matchup 26-21 in 1976, but TSU claimed their first victory over the Skyhawks 55-7 the following season. The two teams would not meet again until 1992 and have matched up every year since, except for the 2006 season. TSU is 2-3 against UTM in their last five matchups. The Tigers last took down UTM in the spring of 2021 as they won 26-24. TSU fell in last season's matchup 41-20. Devon Starling accounted for 195 all-purpose yards and a rushing score in the loss last season (117 rushing, 95 receiving).

SCOUTING UTM: Ranked as high as No. 15 before taking on Kennesaw State last Saturday, the Skyhawks are coming off their fourth loss of the season as they lost 44-27. UT Martin is now 5-4 on the season, with a 3-0 record in the OVC that sits them on top of the standings. The Skyhawks are 5-2 against FCS teams. UTM is ranked second in the league with 36.4 points per game, while they are tied for the touchdown lead with Lindenwood with 44. The UTM defense is however giving up 33.0 points per game, which, be helpful for a TSU offense that has not found the endzone in their last two ball games. Zak Wallace leads the UTM rushing offense with 844 yards and 15 scores. Dresser Win has passes for 2,519 yards on the season with 16 touchdowns, while Colton Dowell and DeVonte Dowell have both have 50+ receptions on the year.

WEEK 11: BY THE NUMBERS

22: The number of seniors that will be honored prior to Saturday's contest against UTM.

2: The number of games in a row that TSU will be playing a team with the word "Hawk" in its official mascot. After taking on the Redhawks last week, TSU will not face the Skyhawks. The Tigers are 1-3 against schools that have bird-like mascots, as their one win came against the Golden Eagles of TCU.

500: The number of rushing yards sophomore Jalen Rouse surpassed on the season in Saturday's loss to SEMO. Rouse picked up 51 yards on the ground to give him a team-high 524 rushing yards on the year. Rouse has also hauled in eight receptions for 153 yards to total 677 all-purpose yards and three total scores.

10: The number of career sacks that Tadarrius Patterson now has in his career at TSU. The third-year Tiger picked collected his fourth sack of the season against SEMO last Saturday to give him 10 for his career. Patterson finished with six sacks last fall.

SEVEN STRAIGHT: After not recording any receptions in the team's first two games of the season, redshirt freshman Karate Brenson has proven to be one of Draylen Ellis's top targets, as he has now hauled in two or more passes in each of his last seven games. Brenson caught his first two passes of the season against MTSU for 13 yards and has gone on two catch two or more passes in each game since. The Ball State transfer is second on the team with 17 receptions, to go along with 190 yards and a score.

STAYING TRUE: Sixth-year Tiger Josh Truehart has shown his ability to catch the ball over the last three games, as the

2022 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

Sept. 3 // 3 PM
@ #12 Eastern Wash.
L, 29-36



Sept. 10 // 6 PM
vs. Jackson St.
L, 3-16
Southern Heritage Classic



Sept. 17 // 6 PM
@ MTSU
L, 49-6



Sept. 24
BYE WEEK



Oct. 1 // 1 PM
Lane @ Hale
L, 27-28 (OT)
John Merritt Classic



Oct. 8 // 5 PM
Bethune-Cookman
W, 41-17
Homecoming @ Nissan



Oct. 15 // 6 PM
@ Tennessee Tech
W, 30-14



Oct. 22 // 2 PM
Eastern Illinois
W, 37-17



Oct. 29 // 2 PM
@ Murray St.
L, 19-3



Nov. 5 // 5 PM
#12 SEMO
L, 0-42



Nov. 12 // 4 PM
#12 UT Martin
ESPN+ / 102.1 FM,
94.9 FM // Nissan Stadium



Nov. 19 // 2 PM
Texas A&M Comm.
ESPN+ / 94.9 FM





TSU TWO-DEEP DEPTH CHART & PRONUNCIATIONS

OFFENSE

LT	77	Jaalon Gupton	6-5	290	R-Jr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Stratford
	72	Rod Green	6-5	305	Fr.	Dayton, Ohio / Springfield / Grambling
LG	70	Robert Lacey	6-3	340	Sr.	Mobile, Ala. / Blount / Hutchinson CC
	64	Darrell Branch	6-2	300	R-So.	Gilbert, Ariz. / Higley / Arizona
C	62	Chazan Page	6-1	293	So.	Nashville, Tenn. / Lipscomb Academy
	61	Kennedy Wilbert	6-1	293	Jr.	Memphis, Tenn. / Middle College
RG	55	Chris Georgia	6-3	328	Sr.	Warner Robins, Ga. / Murray State
	71	Alex Valbuena	6-0	275	Fr.	Antioch, Tenn. / Ezell-Harding Christian
RT	78	Brandon Jones	6-6	330	Sr.	Dacula, Ga. / Murray State
	76	Romello Tarver	6-5	272	R-Jr.	Delray Beach, Fla. / McNeese
QB	7	Draylen Ellis	6-0	175	Jr.	Olive Branch, Miss. / Kirby / Austin Peay
	4	Chayil Garnett	6-2	225	R-So.	Lakeland, Fla. / Lake Wales
RB	22	Jalen Rouse	5-11	185	So.	Richmond Hill, Ga. / Richmond Hill
	3	Devon Starling	6-1	210	Jr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Cane Ridge / Memphis
X-WR	13	JJ Holloman	6-3	215	R-Sr.	Covington, Ga. / Newton / FIU / Georgia
	87	Rayonta Rose	6-1	207	Fr.	Belmont, N.C. / South Point / East Carolina
Z-WR	0	Karate Brenson	6-2	217	R-Fr.	St. Louis, Mo. / Ball State
	11	Zaire Thornton	6-2	180	So.	Atlanta, Ga. / Mays
SLOT	14	Da'Shon Davis	5-11	195	Jr.	Quincy, Fla. / Jefferson County
	16	John Roberts IV	6-0	175	Fr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Tennessee Valley Prep
TE	88	Josh Trueheart	6-5	254	Gr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Stratford
	84	Benjamin Johnson II	6-2	230	R-Sr.	Lithonia, Ga. / Georgia Military

DEFENSE

DE	9	Terrell Allen	6-0	275	Jr.	North Little Rock, Ark. / Austin Peay
	19	Kendall Johnson	6-6	237	So.	Jackson, Tenn. / Olympia
NT	1	Terray Jones	6-1	310	Sr.	Madison, Fla. / Madison County
	96	Cameron Stewart	6-3	380	Jr.	Chattanooga, Tenn. / McCallie
DT	55	Davon Hawkins	6-2	286	R-Sr.	Lauderdale Hill, Fla. / Kentucky
	40	Detoye Adewole	6-4	245	So.	Antioch, Tenn. / Cane Ridge
BUCK	5	Tadarrius Patterson	6-1	228	Sr.	Birmingham, Ala. / City College of San Francisco
	48	Chris Walker	6-4	226	So.	Sanford, Fla. / Seminole
MIKE	11	Jahsun Bryant	6-2	225	Sr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Cane Ridge
	18	Terry Straughter	6-0	238	Gr.	Opa Locka, Fla. / Miami Carol City
WILL	4	K'Vaughan Pope	6-1	225	Sr.	Dinwiddie, Va. / Dinwiddie / Ohio State
	37	Michael Crawford	6-1	230	R-Sr.	Lynwood, Ill. / Thornton Fractional South
NICKEL	30	Darius Harper	6-0	185	Sr.	Brentwood, Tenn. / Ravenwood / Campbellville
	23	Boogie Trotter	5-9	170	Fr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Tennessee Valley Prep
CB	10	Fondren Hollis III	5-11	175	R-So.	Decatur, Ga. / Columbia
	28	Jalen McClendon	6-0	170	So.	Tampa, Fla. / Chamberlain
FS	3	Gleson Sprewell	6-2	195	Gr.	Surprise, Ariz. / Centennial / Houston
	27	Marcellious Lockett	5-8	162	Jr.	Lithonia, Ga. / Martin Luther King Jr.
SS	6	Josh Green	5-11	184	Jr.	Orlando, Fla. / Olympia
-or-	24	Cory Gross	6-2	205	Sr.	Rochester, N.Y. / Brockport / Buffalo
CB	0	Bryce Phillips	6-1	185	Fr.	Orange, Calif. / Santa Ana College
	12	Dion Villiers	5-11	165	Fr.	Lakeland, Fla. / Lake Gibson

SPECIAL TEAMS

K	41	Kaleb Mosley	5-10	187	Sr.	Montgomery, Ala. / Carver
	98	Matthew Phillips	5-10	175	R-Sr.	Brentwood, Tenn. / Brentwood / Arkansas
KO	98	Matthew Phillips	5-10	175	Sr.	Brentwood, Tenn. / Brentwood / Arkansas
	99	James Lowery	5-10	225	R-So.	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. / American Heritage / Northern Illinois
P	41	Kaleb Mosley	5-10	187	Sr.	Montgomery, Ala. / Carver
	98	Matthew Phillips	5-10	175	R-Sr.	Brentwood, Tenn. / Brentwood / Arkansas
KR	6	TySean Jefferson	5-5	150	Fr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Beech / Western Kentucky
	17	Mike Mitchell	6-0	195	R-Sr.	Broheadsville, Pa. / Pleasant Valley / Temple
PR	23	Boogie Trotter	5-9	170	Fr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Tennessee Valley Prep
	11	Zaire Thornton	6-2	180	So.	Atlanta, Ga. / Mays
LS	52	Carson Buchanan	6-0	265	R-So.	Nashville, Tenn. / Antioch
	90	Connor Ridderhoff	6-2	240	Fr.	Chelsea, Ala. / Chelsea
H	9	Heath Williams Jr	6-0	205	R-Jr.	Clarksville, Tenn. / Northeast

OTHER NOTABLE PLAYERS

QB	12	Edwin Rhodes III	6-1	211	So.	Miami, Fla. / American Heritage
RB	30	James Thorpe	6-2	245	Fr.	Atlanta, Ga. / The Heritage School
X-WR	81	Jahee Blake	6-5	215	Fr.	Lynchburg, Va. / Fork Union Military Academy
NT	99	Abraham Alabi	6-4	310	R-So.	Reynoldsburg, Ohio / Eastern Kentucky
DT	50	Davon Nash	6-0	240	Sr.	East St. Louis, Ill. / St. Louis University High
MIKE	47	Ahmad Nelson	6-2	225	So.	Birmingham, Ala. / Minor
MIKE	39	Logan McGraw	5-11	220	Fr.	Wyandotte, Mich. / Roosevelt
WILL	7	Ken Andrews	6-3	222	So.	Baton Rouge, La. / Southern Lab
WILL	17	Austin Yelder	6-1	215	Fr.	Montgomery, Ala. / Lee
NICK	15	Ken Garlington	5-9	185	R-Sr.	Antioch, Tenn. / Brentwood Academy
SS	34	James Reese IV	5-10	190	R-Jr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Cane Ridge
SS	38	Amari LeFlore	5-10	180	So.	Ridgeland, Miss. / St. Andrews Episcopal
FS	25	Christian Smith	5-9	180	R-Jr.	Atlanta, Ga. / Westlake
FS	36	Zachery Drake	6-0	170	So.	Nashville, Tenn. / Maplewood
KO	99	James Lowery	5-10	225	R-So.	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. / American Heritage / Northern Illinois

PRONUNCIATION CHART (Alphabetical order)

Name	Pronunciation
Detoye Adewole	ADD-wole
Abraham Alabi	Ah-LOB-ee
Terrell Allen	
Tony Amerson	
Ken Andrews	
Avery Blake	BLAKE-ee
Jahee Blake	
Tre Boone III	
Darrell Branch	
Karate Brenson	
Deveon Bryant	DEV-ee-on
Jahsun Bryant	Juh-SON
Carson Buchanan	
Michael Crawford	
Craig Cunningham	
Da'shon Davis	Duh-Shon
Zack Dobson	
Zachery Drake	
Kamden Edwards	
Draylen Ellis	DRAY-lin
Jamari Freeman	Jah-MAH-ree
Jordan Gant	
Ken Garlington	
Chayil Garnett	SHY-ill
Micah Gay	
Dorian George	
Christopher Georgia	
James Green	
Josh Green	
Rod Green	
Cory Gross	
Mack Guice	Juice
Jaalon Gupton	JAY-lun
Darius Harper	
Mayson Harris	
Davon Hawkins	DAY-vee-on
Jordan Helton	
Fondren Hollis III	FAAN-drehn
JJ Holloman	
TySean Jefferson	
Dayron Johnson	
Deron Johnson	
Kendall Johnson	
Ben Johnson II	
Brandon Jones	
Rodricus Jones	Rod-DRI-cus
Terray Jones	TER-ray
Dylan King	
Robert Lacey	
Amari LeFlore	
Marcellious Lockett	
Chancellor Lorick	
James Lowery	
Evan McClary	
Jalen McClendon	
Maurice McDonald	
Logan McGraw	
Mike Mitchell	
Jaylen Moore	
Kaleb Mosley	
Thomas Nance	
Davon Nash	DAY-vee-on
Ahmad Nelson	
Martino Owens	
Chandon Page	
Chazan Page	chah-ZAHN
Brandon Palmer	
Tadarrius Patterson	Tuh-DAIR-ee-us
Bryce Phillips	
Matthew Phillips	
K'Vaughan Pope	Kah-Vaughn
Tucker Pope	
James Reese IV	
Edwin Rhodes III	
Connor Ridderhoff	
John Roberts IV	
Rayonta Rose	RAY
Jalen Rouse	
Peter Rouse	
Christian Smith	
Christian Smith	
Jytireus Smith	Juh-TAIR-ee-us
Gleson Sprewell	GLEE-son
Devon Starling	
Cameron Stewart	
Kobie Stillwell	
Terry Slaughter	
Romello Tarver	ROE-mellow
Christon Taylor	
Zaire Thornton	ZY-ear
James Thorpe	
Boogie Trotter	
Josh Trueheart	
Kaden Truitt	
Gerand Turner	
Alex Valbuena	
Dion Villiers	
Chris Walker	
Jashon Watkins	JUH-sean
Kennedy Wilbert	
Heath Williams Jr.	
Brandon Wilson	
Cam Wyche	
Austin Yelder	





UT MARTIN TWO-DEEP DEPTH CHART & PRONUNCIATIONS

OFFENSE

LT	79	Gavin Olson	6-4	290	Jr.	Memphis, Tenn. / Memphis Harding Academy
	54	Matthan Hatchie	6-2	310	Sr.	Haleiwa, Hawaii / Garden City CC
LG	70	Cade Richards	6-5	265	R-Fr.	Clearwater, Fla. / Clearwater Central Catholic
	72	Jarod Russell	6-4	315	R-Fr.	Murfreesboro, Tenn. / Riverdale
C	54	Matthan Hatchie	6-2	310	Sr.	Haleiwa, Hawaii / Garden City CC
	62	Josiah Tingley	6-2	290	R-Fr.	Cordova, Tenn. / Evangelical Christian
RG	73	D'Marius Warren	6-4	300	Sr.	Kennett, Mo. / Northwestern Oklahoma State
	70	Cade Richards	6-5	265	R-Fr.	Clearwater, Fla. / Clearwater Central Catholic
RT	77	Lamar Morgan	6-5	305	Jr.	Detroit, Mich. / East Central CC
	54	Matthan Hatchie	6-2	310	Sr.	Haleiwa, Hawaii / Garden City CC
QB	3	Dresser Winn	6-3	215	Gr.	Dresden, Tenn. / Dresden
	10	Cornelius Brown IV	6-6	208	R-So.	Birmingham, Ala. / Georgia State
RB	21	Zak Wallace	6-0	220	R-So.	Benton, Ark. / Benton
	2	Sam Franklin	5-10	195	R-Fr.	Little Rock, Ark. / Central
WR	15	Colton Dowell	6-3	215	Gr.	Lebanon, Tenn. / Wilson Central
	83	George Qualls, Jr.	6-3	190	Jr.	Caruthersville, Mo. / Akron
WR	9	EJ Smoot	6-1	180	Jr.	Beggs, Okla. / Northeastern Oklahoma A&M
	6	Zoe Roberts	5-11	185	So.	Perry, Fla. / Taylor County
WR	4	DeVonte Tanksley	5-10	160	R-So.	Belle Glade, Fla. / Catawba CC
	0	Randy Fields, Jr.	6-1	195	R-Jr.	Newark, Del. / West Virginia
TE	81	DJ Nelson	6-5	230	R-Fr.	York, Ala. / Selma
	42	Austin Bray	6-6	230	Fr.	Venice, Fla. / Venice

DEFENSE

DE	10	Daylan Dotson	6-3	280	So.	Savannah, Ga. / Jenkins
	90/32	Keion Willis	6-3	265	R-Jr.	St. Louis, Mo. / Missouri
NT	99	Kenyonte Davis	6-5	290	R-Jr.	Columbia, Tenn. / Columbia Centra
	94	Christian Dowell	6-2	280	So.	Memphis, Tenn. / Christian Brothers
DT	93	Jarid Johnson	6-2	310	Jr.	Pascagoula, Miss. / Pearl River CC
	6	Jay Rogers	6-3	290	R-Jr.	Memphis, Tenn. / Northern Colorado
JACK	0	TJ Neal	6-1	235	Gr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Wofford
-or-	8	Giovanni Davis	6-3	250	So.	Miami Gardens, Fla. / Dr. Krop
LB	1	Rob Hicks	6-1	235	Gr.	Miami, Fla. / Louisville
	11	Tevin Shipp	6-2	230	R-So.	Smyrna, Tenn. / Smyrna
LB	18	John H. Ford II	6-3	230	Gr.	Nashville, Tenn. / John Overton
	24	Chris Hunter	6-1	230	R-So.	Knoxville, Tenn. / Army Prep
ROVER	12	Carson Evans	6-1	185	R-So.	Memphis, Tenn. / First Assembly Christian
	7	Aaron Webb	6-0	175	R-So.	St. Louis, Mo. / Iowa Western CC
CB	14	Tyler Gore	5-10	175	Gr.	Brooksville, S.C. / Georgia State
	20	JaMichael McGoy, Jr.	5-10	170	R-Fr.	Chattanooga, Tenn. / Boyd-Buchanan
FS	30	Deven Sims	6-2	200	Gr.	Smyrna, Tenn. / Smyrna
	19	Jack Lucas	6-0	180	R-So.	Louisville, Ky. / Louisville Male
SS	3	Ty Woods	5-10	175	Gr.	Birmingham, Ala. / Delta State
	12	Carson Evans	6-1	185	R-So.	Memphis, Tenn. / First Assembly Christian
CB	9	Oshae Baker	5-10	195	So.	Sanford, Fla. / Seminole
	22	Andre Brackett	5-11	190	Gr.	East Windsor, Conn. / Bryant

SPECIAL TEAMS

K	37	Tyler Larco	5-9	155	R-So.	Miami, Fla. / Miami Palmetto
	48	Frankie Onate	5-11	200	Gr.	Jacksonville, Fla. / South Alabama
KO	37	Tyler Larco	5-9	155	R-So.	Miami, Fla. / Miami Palmetto
	48	Frankie Onate	5-11	200	Gr.	Jacksonville, Fla. / South Alabama
P	37	Tyler Larco	5-9	155	R-So.	Miami, Fla. / Miami Palmetto
KR	14	Dalyn McDonald	5-11	174	So.	Gautier, Miss. / Southwest Mississippi CC
	9	Keveon Robbins	6-0	211	R-Fr.	Sparta, Ga. / Hancock Central
PR	9	Oshae Baker	5-10	195	So.	Sanford, Fla. / Seminole
	4	DeVonte Tanksley	5-10	160	R-So.	Belle Glade, Fla. / Catawba CC
LS	40	Brock Powers	6-2	230	Sr.	Cornersville, Tenn. / Cornersville
H	11	Kody Sparks	6-5	220	R-Fr.	Murfreesboro, Tenn. / Bowling Green

OTHER NOTABLE PLAYERS

RB	8	Jordan Castleberry	5-8	185	R-So.	Cleveland, Ohio / Maryland
	34	Jaden Deaton	6-0	200	R-So.	New Albany, Miss. / Northeast Mississippi CC
WR	89	Deray Lawrence	5-7	130	R-Jr.	Germantown, Tenn. / Germantown
	17	Ajay Smith	6-4	190	Jr.	Detroit, Mich. / Independence CC
DE	10	Daylan Dotson	6-3	280	So.	Savannah, Ga. / Jenkins
LB	25	Isaiah Abdullah	6-3	220	R-So.	Los Angeles, Calif. / Wyoming
CB	5	Shaun Lewis	6-0	180	Gr.	Houston, Texas / Houston

PRONUNCIATION CHART (Alphabetical order)

Randy Fields, Jr.
TJ Neal
Rob Hicks
JoJo Belgrave
Sam Franklin
Dresser Winn
Ty Woods
DeVonte Tanksley
Shaun Lewis
Zoe Roberts
Jay Rogers
Aaron Webb
Jordan Castleberry
Giovanni Davis
Oshae Baker
EJ Smoot
Cornelius Brown IV
Daylan Dotson
Tevin Shipp
Kody Sparks
Carson Evans
Jermaine Cooley
Tyler Gore
Colton Dowell
Jaylon Sharpe
Ajay Smith
John H. Ford II
Josh Lundy
Jack Lucas
JaMichael McGoy, Jr.
Zak Wallace
Andre Brackett
Kyler Pearson
Antonio Jackson
Chris Hunter
Isaiah Abdullah
Alexander Andre
Terayon Sweet
Isaiah Gibbs
Kaleb Almo
Deven Sims
DeAndre Kelly
LaMarion Pierce
Bryce Dailey
Keion Willis
Jaden Deaton
Bradley Jones
Shamari Weir
Tyler Larco
Wyatt Gilbert
Khalik Ganaway
Brock Powers
Austin Bray
Michael Campbell
Brett Kuczyński
Steven Ballard
Jackson Abel
Frankie Onate
Erin Parker
Levi Evans
Matthan Hatchie
AJ Marquez
Eli Patrick
Josiah Tingley
Zion Rucker
Riley Cleary
Drake Carroll
Logan Swartz
Garrett Smith
Cade Richards
Logan Crouch
Jarod Russell
D'Marius Warren
Mitchell Appleton
Nick Edwards
Branson Conner
Lamar Morgan
Jason Eaton
Gavin Olson
Malik Baker
DJ Nelson
George Qualls, Jr.
Airius Trice
Parker Floyd
Deray Lawrence
Tyson Strickland
Jarid Johnson
Christian Dowell
Myles Saulsberry
Toby Camp
Charles Perkins
Kenyonte Davis




2022 TSU ROSTER

ALPHABETICAL			No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown / High School / Previous School
40	Detoye Adewole	DE	0	Karate Brenson	WR	6-2	217	R-Fr.	St. Louis, Mo. / Christian Brothers College / Ball State
91	Abraham Alabi	DL	0	Bryce Phillips	CB	6-1	185	Fr.	Orange, Calif. / Orange Lutheran / Santa Ana College
9	Terrell Allen	DL	1	Terray Jones	DL	6-1	310	Sr.	Madison, Fla. / Madison County
19	Tony Amerson	RB	1	Gerand Turner	WR	6-0	205	So.	Miami, Fla. / South Miami Senior
7	Ken Andrews	LB	2	Jashon Watkins	CB	6-4	200	R-So.	Memphis, Tenn. / East Nashville Magnet / Memphis
95	Avery Blakie	DL	2	Cam Wyche	WR	6-1	185	Sr.	Douglasville, Ga. / South Paulding / Lindsey Wilson
81	Jahee Blake	WR	3	Gleson Sprewell	S	6-2	195	Gr.	Surprise, Ariz. / Centennial / Houston
20	Tre Boone III	WR	3	Devon Starling	RB	6-1	210	Jr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Cane Ridge / Memphis
64	Darrell Branch	OL	4	Chayil Garnett	QB	6-2	225	R-So.	Lakeland, Fla. / Lake Wales / Auburn
0	Karate Brenson	WR	4	K'Vaughan Pope	LB	6-1	225	Sr.	Dinwiddie, Va. / Dinwiddie / Ohio State
8	Deveon Bryant	QB	5	Dayron Johnson	WR	5-9	180	Jr.	Springfield, Tenn. / Springfield
11	Jahsun Bryant	LB	5	Tadarrius Patterson	DL	6-1	228	Sr.	Birmingham, Ala. / George Washington Carver / City College of San Francisco
52	Carson Buchanan	LS	6	Tysean Jefferson	WR	5-5	150	Fr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Beech / Western Kentucky
37	Michael Crawford	LB	6	Josh Green	S	5-11	184	Jr.	Orlando, Fla. / Olympia
44	Craig Cunningham	RB	7	Ken Andrews	LB	6-3	222	So.	Baton Rouge, La. / Southern Lab
14	Da'shon Davis	WR	7	Draylen Ellis	QB	6-0	175	Jr.	Olive Branch, Miss. / Kirby / Austin Peay
24	Zack Dobson	WR	8	Deveon Bryant	QB	6-5	225	R-Jr.	Bellwood, Ill. / Proviso West
36	Zachery Drake	DB	8	James Green	LB	6-1	220	R-Sr.	Orlando, Fla. / Olympia
43	Kamden Edwards	FB	9	Terrell Allen	DL	6-0	275	Jr.	North Little Rock, Ark. / North Little Rock / Austin Peay
7	Draylen Ellis	QB	9	Heath Williams Jr	QB	6-0	205	R-Jr.	Clarksville, Tenn. / Northeast
73	Jamari Freeman	OL	10	Fondren Hollis III	DB	5-11	175	R-So.	Decatur, Ga. / Columbia
29	Jordan Gant	RB	10	Tucker Pope	QB	6-2	215	So.	Cleveland, Tenn. / Walker Valley
15	Ken Garlington	DB	11	Jahsun Bryant	LB	6-2	225	Sr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Cane Ridge
4	Chayil Garnett	QB	11	Zaire Thornton	WR	6-2	180	So.	Atlanta, Ga. / Mays
31	Micah Gay	LB	12	Edwin Rhodes III	QB	6-1	211	So.	Miami, Fla. / American
33	Dorian George	CB	12	Dion Villiers	DB	5-11	165	Fr.	Lakeland, Fla. / Lake Gibson
55	Chris Georgia	OL	13	JJ Holloman	WR	6-3	215	R-Sr.	Covington, Ga. / Newton / FIU / Georgia
8	James Green	LB	13	Dylan King	DB	6-3	190	Fr.	Murfreesboro, Tenn. / Oakland
6	Josh Green	S	14	Da'Shon Davis	WR	5-11	195	Jr.	Quincy, Fla. / Jefferson County
72	Rod Green	OL	14	Brandon Wilson	DB	5-11	175	Fr.	Montgomery, Ala. / Park Crossing
24	Cory Gross	S	15	Ken Garlington	DB	5-9	185	R-Sr.	Antioch, Tenn. / Brentwood Academy
32	Mack Guice	CB	15	Martino Owens	QB	6-2	186	So.	Nashville, Tenn. / Pearl-Cohn
77	Jaalon Gupton	OL	16	John Roberts IV	WR	6-0	175	Fr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Tennessee Valley Prep
30	Darius Harper	DB	17	Mike Mitchell	RB	6-0	195	R-Sr.	Broheadsville, Pa. / Pleasant Valley / Temple
74	Mayson Harris	OL	17	Austin Yelder	LB	6-1	215	Fr.	Montgomery, Ala. / Lee
55	Davon Hawkins	DL	18	Terry Straughter	LB	6-0	238	Gr.	Opa Locka, Fla. / Miami Carol City
21	Jordan Helton	S	19	Tony Amerson	RB	5-11	218	Gr.	Montgomery, Ala. / St. James School / Georgia Tech
10	Fondren Hollis III	DB	19	Kendall Johnson	LB	6-6	237	So.	Jackson, Tenn. / Olympia
13	JJ Holloman	WR	20	Tre Boone III	RB	6-0	195	So.	Clinton, Md. / St. Stevens-St. Agnus School
6	Tysean Jefferson	WR	21	Jordan Helton	S	6-1	200	So.	Memphis, Tenn. / Memphis Univ. School
5	Dayron Johnson	WR	21	CJ Steele	TE	6-2	215	Fr.	Murfreesboro, Tenn. / Blackman
51	Deron Johnson	LB	22	Jalen Rouse	RB	5-11	185	So.	Richmond Hill, Ga. / Richmond Hill
19	Kendall Johnson	LB	23	Boogie Trotter	CB	5-9	170	Fr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Tennessee Valley Prep
84	Ben Johnson II	TE	24	Zack Dobson	WR	5-8	170	Sr.	Lonsdale, Tenn. / Fulton
78	Brandon Jones	OL	24	Cory Gross	CB	6-2	205	Sr.	Rochester, N.Y. / Brockport / Buffalo
35	Rodricus Jones	OLB	25	Christian Smith	DB	5-9	180	R-Jr.	Atlanta, Ga. / Westlake
1	Terray Jones	DL	26	Chancellor Lorick	CB	5-10	175	Fr.	Columbia, S.C. / Lipscomb Academy
13	Dylan King	DB	27	Marcellious Lockett	DB	5-8	162	Jr.	Lithonia, Ga. / Martin Luther King Jr.
70	Robert Lacey	OL	28	Jalen McClendon	DB	6-0	170	So.	Tampa, Fla. / Chamberlain
38	Amari LeFlore	S	29	Jordan Gant	RB	5-10	205	Fr.	Lakeland, Fla. / Kathleen
27	Marcellious Lockett	DB	30	Darius Harper	DB	6-0	185	Sr.	Brentwood, Tenn. / Ravenwood
26	Chancellor Lorick	CB	30	James Thorpe	RB	6-2	245	Fr.	Atlanta, Ga. / The Heritage School
99	James Lowery	K/P	31	Micah Gay	LB	6-1	200	Fr.	Johns Creek, Ga. / Johns Creek
94	Evan McClary	DE	32	Mack Guice	CB	5-7	170	Fr.	Huntsville, Ala. / Madison Co. / Kentucky Wesleyan
28	Jalen McClendon	DB							
44	Maurice McDonald	LB							
39	Logan McGraw	LB							
17	Mike Mitchell	RB							
45	Jaylen Moore	LB							
41	Kaleb Mosley	P/K							
85	Thomas Nance	DL							
50	Davion Nash	LB							
47	Ahmad Nelson	LB							
15	Martino Owens	QB							
67	Chandon Page	OL							
62	Chazan Page	OL							
89	Brandon Palmer	WR							
5	Tadarrius Patterson	DL							





2022 TSU ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown / High School / Previous School
33	Dorian George	CB	6-0	192	So.	Memphis, Tenn. / Germantown
34	James Reese IV	DB	5-10	190	R-Jr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Cane Ridge
35	Rodricus Jones	OLB	6-2	221	Fr.	Birmingham, Ala. / Huffman
36	Zachery Drake	DB	6-0	170	So.	Nashville, Tenn. / Maplewood
37	Michael Crawford	LB	6-1	230	R-Sr.	Lynwood, Ill. / Thornton Fractional South
38	Amari LeFlore	S	5-10	180	So.	Ridgeland, Miss. / St. Andrews Episcopal
39	Logan McGraw	LB	5-11	220	Fr.	Wyandotte, Mich. / Roosevelt
40	Detoye Adewole	DE/DT	6-4	245	So.	Antioch, Tenn. / Cane Ridge
41	Kaleb Mosley	P/K	5-10	187	Sr.	Montgomery, Ala. / Carver
42	Christon Taylor	LB	6-0	226	Gr.	Hoover, Ala. / Hoover /North Alabama
43	Kamden Edwards	FB	5-10	225	R-Fr.	Chattanooga, Tenn. / Tyner Academy
44	Craig Cunningham	RB	5-10	190	Fr.	Memphis, Tenn. / Lausanne Collegiate
44	Maurice McDonald	LB	6-1	225	R-Jr.	Houston, Texas / Houston Christian / South Alabama
45	Jaylen Moore	LB	6-2	200	R-Fr.	Smyrna, Tenn. / Stewarts Creek / Bethel
46	Kobie Stillwell	P	6-4	190	R-Fr.	Columbus, Ohio / Fork Union
47	Ahmad Nelson	LB	6-2	225	So.	Birmingham, Ala. / Minor
48	Chris Walker	DL	6-4	226	So.	Sanford, Fla. / Seminole
50	Davion Nash	LB	6-0	240	Sr.	East St. Louis, Ill. / St. Louis University High
51	Deron Johnson	LB	6-1	228	R-Jr.	Sacramento, Calif. / Pleasant Grove / American River College
52	Carson Buchanan	LS	6-0	265	R-So.	Nashville, Tenn. / Antioch
55	Christopher Georgia	OL	6-3	328	Sr.	Warner Robins, Ga. / Warner Robins / Murray State
55	Davoan Hawkins	DL	6-2	286	R-Sr.	Lauderdale Hill, Fla. / Chaminade-Madonna / Kentucky
57	Brent Rowe	LB	6-1	230	Fr.	Milwaukee, Wis. / Hendersonville
58	Kaden Truitt	C	6-2	255	Fr.	Edinburg, Texas / Robert Vela
61	Kennedy Wilbert	OL	6-1	293	Jr.	Memphis, Tenn. / Middle College
62	Chazan Page	OL	6-1	293	So.	Nashville, Tenn. / Lipscomb Academy
64	Darrell Branch	OL	6-2	300	R-So.	Gilbert, Ariz. / Higley / Arizona
67	Chandon Page	OL	6-3	307	Jr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Pearl-Cohn
69	Peter Rouse	OL	6-2	280	Sr.	Cleveland, Ohio / Cleveland Heights
70	Robert Lacey	OL	6-3	340	Sr.	Mobile, Ala. / Blount / Hutchinson CC
71	Alex Valbuena	G	6-0	275	Fr.	Antioch, Tenn. / Ezell-Harding Christian
72	Rod Green	OL	6-5	305	Fr.	Dayton, Ohio / Springfield / Grambling
73	Jamari Freeman	OL	6-4	300	Fr.	Fairburn, Ga. / Langston Hughes
74	Mayson Harris	OL	6-0	336	R-Jr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Pearl-Cohn
76	Romello Tarver	OL	6-5	272	R-Jr.	Delray Beach, Fla. / Oxbridge Academy / McNeese
77	Jaalon Gupton	OL	6-5	290	R-Jr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Stratford
78	Brandon Jones	OL	6-6	330	Sr.	Dacula, Ga. / Georgia Military College
81	Jahee Blake	WR	6-5	215	Fr.	Lynchburg, Va. / Fork Union Military Academy
82	Christian Smith	WR	6-0	185	R-Fr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Father Ryan / Eastern Michigan
84	Benjamin Johnson II	TE	6-2	230	R-Sr.	Lithonia, Ga. / Georgia Military
85	Thomas Nance	DL	6-3	275	Sr.	Eagle Lake, Fla. / Lake Region / South Florida
86	Jytireus Smith	TE	6-3	245	Jr.	Gulfport, Miss. / Gulfport / Pearl River CC
87	Rayonta Rose	WR	6-1	207	Fr.	Belmont, N.C. / South Point / East Carolina / UNC
88	Josh Trueheart	TE	6-5	254	Gr.	Nashville, Tenn. / Stratford
89	Brandon Palmer	WR	6-0	180	Fr.	Johns Creek, Ga. / Johns Creek
92	Connor Ridderhoff	LS	6-2	240	Fr.	Chelsea, Ala. / Chelsea
94	Evan McClary	DE	6-2	240	Fr.	St. Louis, Mo. / Germantown (Memphis)
95	Avery Blaikie	DL	6-3	285	R-Jr.	Coltsneck, N.J. / Coltsneck
96	Cameron Stewart	DL	6-3	380	Jr.	Chattanooga, Tenn. / McCallie
98	Matthew Phillips	K/P	5-10	175	R-Sr.	Brentwood, Tenn. / Brentwood / Arkansas
99	Abraham Alabi	DL	6-4	310	R-So.	Reynoldsburg, Ohio / Pickerington Central / Eastern Kentucky
99	James Lowery	K/P	5-10	225	R-So.	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. / American Heritage / Northern Illinois

ALPHABETICAL

0	Bryce Phillips	CB
98	Matthew Phillips	K/P
4	K'Vaughan Pope	LB
10	Tucker Pope	QB
34	James Reese IV	DB
12	Edwin Rhodes III	QB
57	Brent Rowe	LB
90	Connor Ridderhoff	LS
16	John Roberts IV	WR
86	Rayonta Rose	WR
22	Jalen Rouse	RB
68	Peter Rouse	OL
25	Christian Smith	DB
82	Christian Smith	WR
87	Jytireus Smith	TE
3	Gleson Spreewell	S
3	Devon Starling	RB
96	Cameron Stewart	DL
46	Kobie Stillwell	P
18	Terry Slaughter	LB
76	Romello Tarver	OL
42	Christon Taylor	LB
11	Zaire Thornton	WR
30	James Thorpe	RB
23	Boogie Trotter	CB
88	Josh Trueheart	TE
58	Kaden Truitt	C
1	Gerand Turner	WR
71	Alex Valbuena	G
12	Dion Villers	DB
48	Chris Walker	DL
2	Jashon Watkins	CB
61	Kennedy Wilbert	OL
9	Heath Williams Jr	QB
14	Brandon Wilson	DB
2	Cam Wyche	WR
17	Austin Yelder	LB





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GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of School... Tennessee State University (TSU)
 City/Zip..... Nashville, Tenn. 37209
 Founded..... 1912
 Enrollment..... 8,088
 Nickname..... Tigers
 School Colors..... Reflex Blue and White
 Affiliation..... NCAA Division I
 Conference..... Ohio Valley Conference (OVC)
 Stadium Nissan Stadium (69,143)
 Surface TifSport Bermuda Sod
 Stadium W.J. Hale Stadium (15,000)
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TSU FOOTBALL

First Season..... 1912
 All-Time Record: 576-316-33
 First Year in OVC: 1988
 OVC Record: 106-33
 OVC Championships: 2 (Last-1999)
 NCAA FCS Playoff Appearances: 5 (Last-2013)
 HBCU National Championships: 14 (Last-2013)
 Cumulative All-Americans: 339
 Number of Pro Football Hall of Famers: (2 Total);
 Claude Humphrey 2014, Richard Dent 2011

2021 TEAM INFORMATION

Overall Record 5-6

..... Home: 3-1
 Away: 2-3
 Neutral: 0-2

OVC Record (Finish) 3-3

..... Home: 2-1
 Away: 1-2

2021 RESULTS

9/5	vs. Grambling	L, 10-16
9/11	vs. Jackson St.	L, 16-38
9/18	KENTUCKY STATE	W, 41-7
9/25	at SEMO*	L, 14-47
10/2	at Austin Peay	W, 24-22
10/16	TENNESSEE TECH*	W, 20-13
10/23	at Eastern Illinois*	W, 28-0
10/30	MURRAY STATE*	W, 27-21
11/6	at UT Martin*	L, 20-41
11/13	AUSTIN PEAY*	L, 7-36
11/20	at Mississippi State	L, 55-10

FUTURE SCHEDULED GAMES

9/2/2023 at Notre Dame TBA



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Nashville native has hauled in six passes for 57 yards. The grad student has now hauled in 32 career passes for 349 yards and two touchdowns as a Tiger.

SEASON HIGHS: Jahsun Bryant and Gleson Sprewell both set season highs in tackles against SEMO last week Bryant finished with a season-high 12 tackles, while Sprewell tallied 10 stops after missing two straight games. This was the second game of the season that Bryant tallied double-digit tackles, while it was a first for Sprewell.

LET IT RIP: In his last three games, Draylen Ellis has attempted 30+ passes in each of three. Ellis had a season-high of 36 attempts against EIU, as he tossed for three scores and 309 yards, followed by 34 attempts against Murray State, and 35 last week against SEMO. Ellis's 28 attempts against TTU was his season high prior to EIU.

WEEK 10: BY THE NUMBERS

22: The number of tackles that K'Vaughan Pope and Jahsun Bryant combined for against Murray State. The two linebackers both finished with a season-high 11 tackles, which was also the first time either of the two run-stoppers tallied double-digit tackles this season. Bryant leads the team with 51 tackles, followed by Pope with 43.

2: The number of home games that TSU has left this season. After hosting SEMO this Saturday, the Tigers will welcome UT Martin for senior day on November 12. Both TSU's final home games will be OVC contests, while the final matchup at A&M Commerce will be a non-conference matchup.

4: The number of 100+ all-purpose yardage games running back Jalen Rouse has totaled this season. Rouse finished with 106 all-purpose yards (84 rushing, 22 receiving), against Murray State to finish with his fourth 100+ all-purpose yardage game. The Georgia native first crossed the century mark against Lane College as he tallied 131 total yards (109 rushing, 22 receiving). The sophomore has rushed for 473 yards this season while also adding 148 yards through the air to total 621 all-purpose yards this season.

20: The number of total sacks the TSU defense has collected this year. Last year George's team only collected 19 sacks throughout 11 games. The TSU defense will have three more chances to add to that total sack number this season. Terrell Allen leads the team with 3.5 sacks, followed by Tadarrius Patterson and Davion Nash, who have three apiece.

MR. RELIABLE: JJ Holloman has emerged as Draylen Ellis's top target over the past few weeks, as the Senior transfer has separated himself in the team lead for total catches and yards. The Georgia native has hauled in 18 passes for 212 yards and one touchdown in his last three games. Holloman leads the team with 27 catches for 294 yards and is tied for second on the team with one receiving touchdown. He is averaging 10.9 yards per catch. His 27 catches this season surpasses his career high of 24 he had as a sophomore at Georgia in 2018.

D IS KEY: The Tennessee State football defense, led by second-year defensive coordinator Brandon Fisher ranks first in the OVC in scoring defense. The Tiger defensive has allowed a league-low 25 touchdowns and is allowing a conference-low of 24.5 points per game. In addition to having the best scoring defense, TSU also leads the league in total defense, as they have allowed a league-low 2774 yards.

SCARY TERRAY: Senior defensive lineman Terray Jones has matched his career high for tackles in a season with 28, after notching a season-high eight tackles against Murray State this past Saturday. Terray has recorded 28 tackles this season 10 solo, 18 assists, two sacks, and 3.5 tackles for loss. In 34 career games, the senior has tallied 80 career tackles, 13.5 tackles for loss, and 6.5 sacks in his four-year career.

BREAK IT UP BRYCE: First-year Tiger Bryce Phillips has been a solid addition to Brandon Fisher's defense this year at the cornerback position after transferring from Santa Anna College. Phillips leads TSU cornerbacks with 27 total tackles on the year, while also holding the team lead in pass breakups with eight. The freshman has had three games where he has broken up two passes. Phillips's eight breakups are tied for the 7th most in the FCS and are tied for the 2nd most in the OVC.

WEEK 9: BY THE NUMBERS

1000: The number of passing yards TSU quarterback Draylen Ellis reached this season and in his TSU career in Saturday's win against EIU. Ellis had his most efficient passing game of the season as he completed 75 percent of his passes (27-of-36) for a season-high 309 yards and three touchdowns through the air. The transfer from Austin Peay has thrown for 1,186 yards and eight scores this season which gives him 5,080 career passing yards along with 41 touchdowns.

803: The number of combined rushing yards that running backs Jalen Rouse and Devon Starling have combined for this season. The two-headed rushing attack has seen a balanced effort this season, as Rouse has 414 yards and two touchdowns, followed by Starling with 389 yards and one score. When factoring in Starling's 164 receiving yards and Rouse's 115, the duo has combined for 1,082 all-purpose yards. This is the first season since 2019 that TSU has had two running backs cross the 350-yard mark in the same season since the 2019 season.

3: The number of interceptions Josh Green has recorded in the last three games. The junior safety notched his first pick of the season against Bethune-Cookman and has gone on to record interceptions in the last two games against Tennessee Tech and EIU. Green now has nine career interceptions, which is tied for the 5th most among active FCS players.

15: The number of different players that have caught a pass this season. The TSU offense has showcased its wide range of versatile receivers week in and week out, as different 15 players have caught a pass this season. The Tigers have six players with 10+ grabs, and seven players with 100+ receiving yards. JJ Holloman leads the tigers with 18 receptions for 200 yards.

40: The number of tackles Jahsun Bryant has this season. Bryant became the first Tiger defender to reach 40 tackles this season after collecting four against EIU. The Nashville native has now posted 40+ tackles in three consecutive seasons and has collected 164 and counting for his career.

TURNOVER MACHINE: The TSU defense has been on a tear the last three games when it comes to forcing turnovers. The Tigers have had 11 of their 15 turnovers have come in the span of the last three games against Bethune, Tennessee Tech, and Eastern Illinois. TSU forced four turnovers against both B-CU and EIU, while they forced three against TTU. Josh Green leads the team with four turnover recoveries (3 INTs, 1 FR), while Davon Hawkins has recovered two fumbles within the last three games.

ALLEN FINDS HIS RHYTHM: After recording no sacks and just one tackle for loss in the first three games he played in, junior defensive end Terrell Allen has come on strong in recent weeks as he has notched 5.5 tackles for loss and 3.5 sacks in his last three games. Allen had his best game as Tiger this past Saturday against EIU. The Arkansas native tallied six tackles, 3.0 TFLs, and two sacks in the win. Allen has tallied 16





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tackles, eight solo, eight assists, 6.5 TFLs, and 3.5 sacks through six games this season.

DAVIS BREAKS OUT: Da'Shon Davis had a breakout game against EIU as the fourth-year Tiger caught a career-high four passes for a team and career-high 70 yards. The Florida native reeled in three passes for 51 yards against Tennessee Tech and had his first catch of the season against Bethune. Prior to 2022 Davis played in just two games, making one catch for five yards. Davis has hauled in nine passes for 141 yards this season, and showed his athleticism on a 46-yard catch and run against EIU.

TWICE AS NICE: Kaleb Mosley has continued to show why he was chosen as the man to replace Antonio Zita after earning his second OVC Specialist of the Week honor after his performance against EIU. The senior kicker was a perfect 3-of-3 with three 40+ yard field goals (42, 42, 46). Mosley connected on all four of his extra-point attempts on his way to scoring a season-high 13 points against EIU. He is 9-of-11 on field goal attempts this year and has a long of 51 yards. He is a perfect 5-of-5 on field goal attempts from 40+ yards, while his 47 points scored this season are the 4th most in the OVC.

ROBERTS IV GETS II: Freshman wide receiver John Roberts IV caught his second touchdown pass of the season last Saturday against EIU. Roberts IV hauled in a 52-yard reception to give the Tigers 37 points with 10:00 minutes to go in the fourth quarter. The freshman now leads the team in receiving touchdowns with two.

SWEET AS REESE'S: Fifth-year defensive back James Reese IV, who recently signed a NIL with Reese's candy as a part of "Team Reese", grabbed his first interception of the season against EIU and sealed the deal with 00:50 seconds to go in the fourth quarter. Along with intercepting passes, Reese IV will also intercept a Reese's gold chain and pendant, a custom-tailored travel blazer, a pair of cup shape cufflinks, and a mini fridge made to fit into a locker that will be stored with Reese's in part with his NIL deal. Reese IV was one of 12 DI football players signed to a "Team Reese" NIL deal.

WEEK 8: BY THE NUMBERS

50: The number of yards quarterback Draylen Ellis ran for on his touchdown run. Ellis showed his dual-threat ability as he took off on a quarterback draw and bounced it outside to the right hash, splitting two TTU defenders for the 50-yard score. The quarterback finished with 61 yards on the ground while passing for 247 yards and two scores.

24: The number of first downs the Tiger offense picked up against TTU. TSU's 24 first downs are a new season high, surpassing the 23 first downs picked up against Eastern Washington. The Tigers finished with 11 first downs on the ground and through the air, while the other two came from penalties.

3: The number of turnovers TSU forced against TTU. Jahsun Bryant and Marcellious Lockett both recovered fumbles, while Josh Green came away with an interception, all of which happened in the first half. The Tigers won the turnover battle 3-0, as they did not give away the ball all contest.

2: The number of times the TSU offense has finished with 450+ yards in a single game this season. The Tigers accounted for 469 yards in Saturday's win over TTU. TSU posted 547 yards in its season opener against Eastern Washington which stands as the season high.

TETOUCHDOWNS: For the first time this season, the TSU offense saw a tight end catch a touchdown pass. The coaches loved it so much that they drew up another play, this time a jump pass that was caught by a tight end for a score. Benjamin Johnson II caught a 30-yard TD pass from Draylen Ellis for the first TD of the game against TTU in the second quarter. The second tight end touchdown came on a jump pass from Deveon Bryant to Jytireus Smith on a 3-yard pass in the third quarter.

HOLLOMAN HAULS IT IN: Transfer wide receiver JJ Holloman caught his first touchdown pass as a Tiger in Saturday's win over TTU. The senior hauled in a 21-yard pass from Draylen Ellis on a post route over the middle in the middle of the third quarter. Holloman finished the game with three catches for 49 yards and a score, while two of his three receptions went for 20+ yards. He is tied for the team lead in catches with 12, while he is third on the team with 131 yards.

OFFENSIVE MILESTONES: After posting 469 total yards in the win against TTU (250 passing, 219 rushing) the Tiger offense surpassed two season milestones. The Tigers have gone over the 2000-yard mark in total offense as they have 2,008 on the season. TSU also went over 1000 in the passing game as they have tallied 1,051 on the season. TSU totaled 3,502 yards in 2021 during head coach Eddie George's first season.

GREEN GETS 200: Junior safety Josh Green collected his 200th career tackle in Saturday's win over TTU. The Floridian finished with four tackles and an interception in the victory to give him 201 career tackles. Green is the active leader in tackles among current TSU players. He notched one tackle in 2018, 66 in 2019, 39 in the spring of 2021, 63 in the fall of 2021, and 32 so far this season. Green's 32 tackles this season ranks second on the team.

PASS DEFENSE: Through six games, the TSU defense is leading the OVC in pass defense. The Tigers have allowed the least yards (1,382), yards per game (230.3), shortest yards per pass (6.5), and are tied for first in fewest passing touchdowns allowed with 11. The Tiger defense has broken up 23 passes this season, while also intercepting three passes.

OVC OPENERS: Tennessee State is 16-18 in Ohio Valley Conference openers since joining the league as a football member in 1988. The Tigers struggled in the first five OVC openers, dropping five straight from 1988-1992. TSU's first OVC

opening win came in 1993 as they took down Middle Tennessee 34-33. The Tigers come into Saturday's conference opener losers of their last three OVC openers. TSU last won an OVC season opener in 2018, as they defeated Eastern Illinois 41-40. The Tigers took down TTU 10-7 to open OVC play in the 2014 season.

WEEK 7: BY THE NUMBERS

3: The number of straight games in which Jalen Rouse has now scored a touchdown. The sophomore running back recorded his first touchdown of the season on a 33-yard reception against MTSU, followed by rushing touchdowns in the past two games against Lane and B-CU.

5: The number of blocked kicks that the Tigers have this season. TSU is tied for first in the nation with Morehead State with five blocks. Michael Crawford picked up his third block in the past two games on Saturday against B-CU, after finishing with two against Lane the week prior. Crawford is tied for second in the nation with his three blocks.

35: The number of tackles for loss that the TSU defense has tallied through five games. TSU has collected 29 solo TFLs and 12 assisted TFLs. The Tigers rank 22nd in the FCS in TFLs and are averaging 7.0 per game. Tadarrius Patterson leads the defense with five tackles for loss, followed by Chris Walker with 3.5.

83: The number of miles that separate Nashville and Cookeville. This weekend's trip to TTU will be the shortest road trip of the season for the Tigers.

ELLIS RETURNS: After exiting with an Injury against MTSU and missing the game against Lane College, sophomore quarterback Draylen Ellis had a solid return, sparking the Tiger offense against Bethune Cookman on Saturday. The Mississippi native accounted for two touchdowns, one through the air and one on the ground as he passed for 138 yards and rushed for 29.

ROBERTS IV GETS TD I: True freshman wide receiver John Roberts IV had two first happen on Saturday night against B-CU. The Nashville native recorded his first career reception which resulted in his first career touchdown. Roberts IV was able to find the endzone early in the second quarter as he caught a five-yard pop pass from Ellis and showed off his shiftness as he evaded two defenders to put TSU up 14-3.

SIX FOR SIX – Junior safety Josh Green who just happens to wear #6 recorded his first inception of the season on Saturday against B-CU and returned it 52-yards for six points. The 52-yard pick-six put the Tigers up 31-3 just before the half. The interception marks Green's seventh career pick and his first career touchdown. Green has 28 tackles on the season, one tackle for loss, one fumble recovery, one blocked kick, and one pass breakup in addition to his interception.

POSITION CHANGE: After spending the first three years of his career as a tight end at South Florida, and his first four weeks as a tight end for TSU, senior transfer Thomas Nance has found a new home on the defensive line. Nance made the switch to the defensive side of the ball early in practice last week and the 6-3 275-pound senior showed why against B-CU. Nance entered the game late in the fourth quarter and picked up his first career sack as he beat the right tackle off the edge to bring down Franklin for an 8-yard loss.

STAYING HOT IN THE RED ZONE: The TSU offense continues to put points on the board when they reach the red zone. The Tigers finished 3-of-3 on red zone attempts on Saturday to move to 9-of-10 on the season. TSU's 90 percent red zone conversion rate is tied for 14th in the nation among FCS programs. The Tigers have passed for four touchdowns, ran for one, and converted four field goals in their 10 red zone opportunities.

HOMECOMING SUCCESS: The Tigers have had lots of success when it comes to homecoming matchups. TSU is 69-16-5 all-time when playing on homecoming. The Tiger's first homecoming game was played in 1926, as they tied with Fisk 13-13. TSU and Fisk would have a 0-0 tie in the 1927 homecoming game, followed by three Fisk wins in 1928, 1929, and 1930. TSU's first homecoming win would come in 1931 as they defeated Louisville-Munic 41-0. From 1931 to 1986, the Tigers only lost two homecoming games. TSU had a 21-game homecoming win streak from 1931 to 1960 and then would start a 24-game streak from 1962 to 1986. TSU took down Murray State 27-21 in last year's homecoming game.

SERIES INFORMATION: TSU is 9-2 against Bethune-Cookman all-time. The Tigers and the Wildcats last played in 2018, as TSU picked up the 3-0 win in Nashville. TSU has won the last two contests, also picking up a 31-24 win in the 2016 season. B-CU's last win over TSU came in the 2013 season as they picked up a 12-9 win over the Tigers. Bethune's only other win against TSU came in a 16-13 contest in 1987. TSU won the first five matchups over B-CU, beginning with the first matchup in 1982 as TSU won 41-11.

WEEK 6: BY THE NUMBERS

69: The number of wins that TSU has in homecoming matchups. The Tigers have done a nice job of picking up wins on homecoming and will look to make it an even 70 as they host B-CU on Saturday.

5: The number of players that have recorded a rushing touchdown. TSU has tallied five rushing touchdowns on the season all by different players. Devon Starling, Jalen Rouse, Chayil Garnett, Edwin Rhodes III, and Draylen Ellis have all found the endzone on the ground.

31: The number of players that have made their TSU debut this season.

3: Tennessee State's rank among accumulative attendance through two home contests this season. A combined 62,904 people have seen TSU play this season between the Southern Heritage Classic which drew 51,351 and the John Merritt classic which brought in 11,553 fans. The Tigers only trail Montana and Montana State in home attendance. TSU currently has the highest average attendance with





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31,452.

MOSLEY'S MAKES: After a stellar performance that saw him earn OVC Specialist of the Week this past Saturday, Kaleb Mosley proved why he was picked to replace Antonio Zita as the placekicker. Mosley who is now pulling double duty as the placekicker and the punter finished 2-of-2 on field goal attempts against Lane College, with a career-long 51-yard field goal that sent the game into overtime, while also connected on all three of his extra-point attempts. The Senior is now 4-of-4 on field goal attempts this season, three of which have been from 30-39 yards, while the fourth was from 51 yards. The fifth-year senior currently leads the team in scoring through four games with 17 points and has the seventh-longest field goal in the FCS this season.

ROUSE TO THE HOUSE: Third-year running back Jalen Rouse had a career day against Lane College, as he reached the endzone for the second straight week. The sophomore racked up a career-high 109 yards on the ground on 25 carries and a score. He also caught one pass for 10 yards. Rouse is second on the team with 139 rushing yards on 37 carries with one touchdown. He has caught three passes for 77 yards and a score.

GROUND ATTACK: Through four games this season the TSU offense has totaled just under 600 rushing yards with 597. The Tigers are averaging 149.2 yards per game on the ground and have totaled five rushing touchdowns on the season. TSU has three players with 100+ rushing yards, Devon Starling (292), Jalen Rouse (139), and Draylen Ellis (131) have all eclipsed the 100+ yard mark.

BLOCK PARTY: The Tennessee State defense is tied for 2nd in the nation with four blocked kicks. Michael Crawford has recorded two blocks, while Josh Green and Cameron Stewart have each recorded one apiece. The Tigers recorded three blocks against Lane College as Crawford collected two, while Stewart tallied the third.

NISSAN OPENERS: Tennessee State is 8-2 in Openers at Nissan Stadium going back to the 2011 season. TSU's only two losses in that span came in 2013 to Bethune-Cookman and in 2017 to Eastern Illinois. B-CU's win over TSU in that 2013 matchup was their last win over the Tigers.

FINAL TUNEUP: Saturday's game against Bethune-Cookman will be the final non-conference game for the Tigers until they take on A&M Commerce to close out the season. TSU will start OVC play next Saturday, October 15, as they will travel to Tennessee Tech for a 6:00 p.m. OVC opener. TSU will look to build off its tough non-conference schedule as they move into conference play.

2022 CAPTAINS: Head coach Eddie George announced the 2022 team captains on before the start of the season. Leading the Tigers will be Gleson Sprewell, Davoan Hawkins, JJ Holloman, and Kaleb Mosley. The captains were selected by the players.

THE JOHN MERRITT CLASSIC: It's the annual game that brings out the barbecue grills, fish fries, and fellowship. It's a community revival of sorts and a North Nashville family reunion wrapped in one – the John Merritt Classic. Though it brings thousands from across the city and region to Tennessee State University, it all started years ago with one man, John Merritt, the coach who took Tennessee State to its highest level of football in the program's history. Affectionately known as "Big John," Merritt dominated and revolutionized the game of football during his coaching career, compiling a record of 172-34-7 at TSU and 232-66-11 overall. His former players and the Big Blue Nation still remember Merritt's signature cigar smoke after wins.

TSU IN THE JOHN MERRITT: The Tigers have played in the John Merritt Classic 22 times dating back to the first event in 1999. The Tigers are 16-6 in ht event TSU won the first six John Merritt Classics from 1999-2004. The Tigers took down Alabama A&M three years in a row, followed by wins over Prairie View A&M, South Carolina State, and AAMU. TSU's first loss in the classic came in 2005 to AAMU, as they would drop three in a row to AAMU from 2005-2007.

WEEK 4: BY THE NUMBERS

16: The number of wins that TSU has in the John Merritt Classic. TSU won the first event in 1999, as they beat Alabama State 41-8.

17: The number of tackles for loss that the TSU defense has collected. The Tigers have 10 players with at least 1+ TFL. Tadarrius Patterson and Detoye Adewole lead the defense with 3.0 TFLs apiece. Davion Nash and Michael Crawford both have collected 1.5.

573: The number of days it will have been since TSU last played at Hale Stadium. TSU's last game at Hale was on March 7, 2021, as they fell to Jacksonville State 38-16 during the shortened covid spring. It will have been 1,057 days since the Tigers have played a game during the fall at Hale Stadium, with the last coming in a 49-38 loss to Eastern Illinois on November 9, 2019.

425,283: The number of the combined attendance from all 22 John Merritt Classics. The Classic has drawn 20,00+ fans on 11 separate occasions. 31,119 fans watched the first John Merritt Classic in 1999, which is the highest amount among John Merritt Classics.

DO IT ALL: After three weeks of play, TSU has the number one and two all-purpose yardage leaders among OVC players. After three games, Devon Starling leads the league with 343 all-purpose yards, while Zack Dobson has totaled 321 all-purpose yards. Starling has tallied 292 rushing yards and 51 receiving yards to average 114.3 yards per game. Dobson has 181 receiving yards and 321 kick return yards to average 107.0 yards per game.

OFF THE BYE: TSU returns to action this Saturday after having their bye weekend last Saturday. The Tigers are 3-4 the following week after their bye since 2014. TSU took down Tennessee Tech last year 20-13 after their bye week.

NO FLY ZONE: After appearing in just two games over the span of three seasons at Memphis, former East Nashville Magnet standout Jashon Watkins decided to return to his home city and make a name for himself as a defensive back at TSU. Watkins grabbed the first interception of the season for the TSU defense in the loss to MTSU, as the lengthy corner made an incredible gran in front of an MTSU receiver on the sideline while managing to get his foot in bounds. The interception was also the first of his collegiate career. Watkins has 10 tackles, 1 tackle for loss, and two pass breakups to go along with his interception through the first three games.

RUNNING THROUGH HALE: Junior running back Devon Starling knows a thing or two about playing in Hale Stadium. Starling's freshman season in the spring of 2021 saw all TSU home games moved to Hale Stadium due to Nissan being closed. Starling was named OVC Co-Freshman of the year after rushing for 648 yards and three touchdowns. More than half of Starling's yards on the ground came on the grass at Hale Stadium, as the freshman accounted for 413 rushing yards and all three of his touchdowns in the Hole. Starling's best game at Hale Stadium came against UT Martin, as he rushed for 134 yards and a score.

WEEK 3: BY THE NUMBERS

38: The number of miles that separate the campus of TSU and the campus of MTSU.

20: The number of times that TSU and MTSU met as OVC members, finishing 10-10 against each other in the OVC. TSU won their first matchup over MTSU 23-0 in 1973. The Tigers lost in 1984, and then reeled off six straight wins 1975-1978, and 1986.

7: The number of players that have 10+ tackles. Senior linebacker Jahsun Bryant leads the team with 18 tackles, followed by Boogie Trotter (15), and Gleson Sprewell (14). Josh Green and K'Vaughan Pope both have 11 tackles, while Bryce Phillips and Michael Crawford have both logged 10.

IN THE MIDDLE: After finishing second on the team in tackles a season ago, 5th year linebacker Jahsun Bryant is primed for a big season in the middle of the Tiger defense. The Nashville native currently leads TSU with 18 tackles through two games after having back-to-back nine tackle games to start the 2022 campaign. His 18 tackles is tied for the third most in the OVC this season. Bryant has played in 27 career games over the span of four seasons, and has collected 159 career tackles.

LEAGUE LEADER: Through two games this season, junior running back Devon Starling has rushed for 277 total yards, which leads the OVC. Starling is averaging a league high 138.5 yards, and a league high 6.4 yards per rush with backs that have 13 or more carries. He rushed for 207 yards in week one against EVU, followed by a 70-yard performance against JSU last Saturday.

SPREAD IT AROUND: Quarterback Draylen Ellis has passed for 396 yards this season and two touchdowns on 27-of-51 passing. Ellis has done a great job of spreading the ball around, as six Tiger players have at least one reception or more. Cam Wyche has been Ellis's top target as he leads the team with 10 receptions, followed by Zack Dobson with eight. Devon Starling has hauled in four receptions, while Zaire Thornton and JJ Holloman both have two. Jalen Rouse has one reception.

SPREWELL'S START: Sixth-year transfer Gleson Sprewell joined the TSU football team and instantly brought a wealth of experience to Brandon Fisher's defense. Sprewell played in 33 career games for the Houston Cougars over the span of four years from 2018-2021, and finished with 115 tackles as a Cougar. The Arizona native had a breakout year at Houston in his first year after transferring in from Mesa CC. He took over as the starting safety in week four and finished fifth in the American Athletic Conference with five interceptions, while also notching 81 tackles. He would battle injuries in 2019 and 2020, only playing in four games both years, before playing in all 13 games in 2021. Sprewell has found a new home at TSU in the secondary, and is off to a strong start this season, as he was voted a team captain. He has collected 14 tackles, 11 solo, and three assists. Sprewell finished five nine tackles, .5 tackles for loss, a forced fumble, and fumble recovery in the Southern Heritage Classic last weekend.

STOPPING THE RUN: The TSU defense has done well stopping the run it its first two games against No. 12 EVU and No. 13 JSU. Eddie George's defense has allowed 0 rushing touchdowns on 69 attempts heading into week three, and are limiting teams to 134.0 yards per game on the ground.

WEEK 2: BY THE NUMBERS

17: The number of wins TSU has in the Southern Heritage Classic. All 17 wins have come against Jackson State University. TSU is 17-13 all-time in the Classic as they dropped games against Mississippi Valley and Grambling State.

49: The number of FBS transfers that will be on the field Saturday when TSU takes on Jackson State. TSU has 19 FBS transfers, while JSU has 30.

22: The number of players that made their debut for TSU.

3: The number of Tiger players that finished with 100+ all-purpose yards. Quarterback Draylen Ellis finished with 339 yards, followed by Devon Starling (230 yards) and Zack Dobson (132 yards).

5: The number of pass breakups the Tiger defense collected. Boogie Trotter, Bryce Phillips, Gleson Sprewell, and Jashon Watkins all collected a breakup in their first game as the Tigers. Kendall Johnson was the fifth TSU player to break up a pass.

NORTHERN MOST START: Last Saturday's season-opener at Eastern Washington marked the second time TSU has taken on a team from the West Coast to open the season. The Tigers opened with San Diego State in 1967.

ZACK DOBSON FILES: A 2018 graduate of Fulton High School in Lonsdale, Zack Dobson, made his way to Middle Tennessee State University after becoming a 3-star recruit that totaled over 2,800 career all-purpose yards. The now senior is in his





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second year at TSU after spending 2020 at West Virginia and is looking to have a breakout senior season after seeing limited action for the Tigers last season. Dobson has totaled 1,088 all-purpose yards in his collegiate career across two seasons at MTSU and one full season at TSU. The Volunteer State product has played in 26 career games and has hauled in 44 passes for 611 yards and eight touchdowns. Dobson has shown his versatility in his career with his ability to run the ball, as he has racked up 309 yards on the ground for a score. The 5-8 speedster has returned five kickoffs for 106 yards, while returning nine punts for 62 yards.

FIRST POSSESSION SCORING: For the first time since October 15, 2019, the TSU football team scored a touchdown on their first possession last Saturday. Zack Dobson took a pop pass from Draylen Ellis to the house on the first play of the game for 67-yards. TSU's last first-possession touchdown scoring drive came against Jacksonville State University on October 15, 2019, as Chris Rowland ran one in from 48 yards out. The Tigers' only other first-possession scoring drive came on a field goal vs. Kentucky State University on September 18, 2021.

REPLACING ZITA: TSU has a new foot booting balls through the uprights for the first time since the 2017 season. TSU is having to replace Antonio Zita who left TSU with 241 career points, and senior punter Kaleb Mosley has been called on to replace Zita as the place-kicker. Zita played in 38 games for the Tigers and finished his career 53-of-74 on field goals, with a long of 62-yards against Eastern Illinois in the spring of 2021. Zita also connected on 86-of-95 point after attempts. Mosley scored five points in his debut as the Tigers place-kicker, finishing 1-of-2 with a 32-yard field goal and two extra points. Mosley punted five times for 216 yards (43.2 Avg.) and landed two of his punts inside the 20.

OUTGAINING THE OPPONENT: In Saturday's season-opening loss to Eastern Washington, TSU outgained the Eagles in total yardage 547-474. The Tigers rushed for 290 yards, while passing for 257. The Eagles finished with 358 yards through the air and only 126 on the ground. The last time TSU outgained an opponent in the total yardage column and lost was in last year's season opener against Grambling State. TSU posted 230 yards to GSU's 179 yards.

CONVERTING WHEN IT MATTERS: The Tigers went for it three times on fourth down against EWU and converted on all three chances to finished 3-of-3 on fourth down. TSU's first fourth-down conversion came on a 4th and one in the third quarter, as Devon Starling took a handoff from Draylen Ellis for 26 yards for a first down. The Tigers would convert two more times in the fourth quarter, with the first coming on 4th and two, as Draylen Ellis would rush up the middle for 16 yards and a first down. TSU's final conversion resulted in an Ellis rushing touchdown on 4th and goal from the four-yard line.

IN THE ZONE: TSU finished a perfect 2-2 in red zone attempts on the red turf in Cheney, Wash. Both red-zone attempts would come in the fourth quarter, as the Tigers converted on a 32-yard field goal with 13:09 remaining, and then would convert a four-yard rush from the four-yard line into a touchdown.

CONTROLLING THE CLOCK: TSU won the time of possession battle last Saturday, as they held the ball for 33:26 to EWU's 26:34. TSU had four drives that were 3:30 or longer, and three drives of 4:30 or longer. The Tigers' longest drive of the game was a nine-play 42-yard drive that lasted 4:57, ending in a punt. EWU's longest drive lasted 4:58.

SOFT HANDS: Cam Wyche has hauled in lots of passes during his four years as a collegiate wide receiver. The senior from Georgia started his collegiate career at Lindsey Wilson College, an NAIA in Kentucky, before arriving to TSU in the spring of 2021. The 6-1 wide receiver has accounted for 108 receptions, 1,870 yards, and 17 touchdowns in his collegiate career. Wyche arrived at TSU with 60 career receptions, 1,083 yards, and 14 touchdowns. Since becoming a Tiger, he has posted 48 receptions, 787 yards, and three touchdowns as an NCAA player.

DEFENDING THE LONG PASS: While the TSU defense gave up many short passes, the defense only allowed two completions on passes of 20 yards or more. EWU connected on 21-of-30 passes inside of 20 yards, but only finished 2-of-8 on deep passes.

BEHIND THE LOS: Tunnel screens and pop passes worked well for TSU against EWU, as the Tigers finished 6-of-6 with 128 yards and two touchdowns on plays that started behind the line of scrimmage. TSU's first play of the game was a pop pass behind the LOS that Dobson took 67 yards to the house. TSU would tack on another 57 yards on a tunnel screen to Wyche that went for 57 yards and a score.

THE 40/40 CLUB: Eddie George's offense was highlighted by a high-powered balanced offensive attack in Week One. TSU outgained EWU 547-474 yards. The Tigers had five plays of 40+ yards with 41 and 43 yards, respectively on the ground, and two passes for 67 yards, 57 yards, and 41 yards.

THERE'S A STARMAN WAITING IN THE SKY: The Tigers rushed for 290 yards on 54 attempts for an average of 5.4 yards per carry. The OVC Co-Offensive player of the week Devon Starling highlighted the TSU ground attack, as the Nashville product rushed for a career-high 207 yards on 25 carries for an average of 8.3 yards and one touchdown.

GRAB A SHOVEL AND PITCH IN: Quarterback Draylen Ellis tacked on 82 yards on 22 attempts. Ellis finished 17-of-27 for 257 yards and two touchdowns through the air to total 339 all-purpose yards. Zack Dobson scored the first touchdown of the season for TSU on the first offensive play from scrimmage for the Tigers. The Lonsdale product took a pop pass from Ellis 67 yards to the house, breaking multiple tackles, and then later had a 41 yards reception. Dobson finished the game with five receptions, 132 yards, and one touchdown. Cam Wyche led TSU with eight receptions while tacking on 95 yards and a touchdown.

BOOGIE NIGHTS: True freshman Boogie Trotter led the Tigers defensively as he collected 10 tackles, one tackle for loss, and one pass break up. Jahsun Bryant

totaled nine tackles, while Josh Green collected six. Bryce Phillips and Josh Green both collected five tackles. Davion Nash picked up a sack for the Tiger defense.

YEARTWO FOR #27: The Tigers will be under the leadership of second-year head coach Eddie George, whose team was picked fourth in the Ohio Valley Conference Preseason Coaches Poll. TSU finished 5-6 (3-3 OVC) in George's first season a year ago.

TOP-HEAVY SCHEDULE: TSU will start the season against three teams that participated in either a bowl game or the FCS Playoffs when it meets Eastern Washington (FCS 2nd Round), Jackson State (Celebration Bowl), and MTSU (Bahamas Bowl). This is the first time TSU has started a season against teams that reached the postseason in the modern FCS era.

TSU IN SEASON OPENERS: TSU is 51-30-4 in season openers dating back to the 1933 season. The Tigers largest margin of victory in a season opener came in the 1966 season when they took down North Carolina A&T 58-0 to open the season. John Merritt's team would finish that season 10-0 and take down Muskingum 34-7 in the Grantland Rice Bowl. TSU's 55-19 loss to Middle Tennessee to open up the 1987 is the worst opening day loss that the Tigers have suffered. TSU has posted 17 shutout wins in season openers since 1933, with the last one coming in the 2016 opener as the Tigers shutout Arkansas-Pine Bluff 44-0.

LAST FIVE SEASON OPENERS: TSU is 3-2 in their last five season openers, and they have averaged 21.4 points per game in that span. The Eagles have posted a 2-3 record in their last five season openers while averaging 27.6 points per game. TSU dropper their season opener a year ago to Grambling, while EWU took down UNLV 35-33 in double overtime.

OUT WEST: Tennessee State has played seven teams that are located west of the Central Time Zone. The Tigers are 2-5-1 all-time when playing teams located in the Pacific Time Zone, which includes a 2-0 record at home, and an 0-4-1 record on the road. The last time the Tigers played a team from the Pacific was on September 24, 2011, a trip to Colorado Springs to take on Air Force. TSU fell 63-24. Prior to that, the last time TSU played a team from the West was on December 6, 1986 in the Quarterfinals of the FCS Playoffs, as the Tigers were taken down by Nevada 33-6. The last time a team from out West made a trip to Nashville was on October 4, 1980, when the Tigers sent the now defunct-Long Beach State 49ers football team back to the Ocean after a 35-18 victory.

Sept. 15, 1967	at San Diego State	L, 16-8	
Nov. 23, 1968	at San Diego State	T, 13-13	
Nov. 9, 1979	at UNLV	L, 36-28	
Nov. 22, 1979	Cal Poly Pomona	W, 71-3	
Oct. 4, 1980	Long Beach State	W, 35-18	
Dec. 6, 1986	at Nevada	L, 33-6	—— QF I-AA Playoffs
Sept. 24, 2011	at Air Force	L, 63-24	
Sept. 3, 2022	at Eastern Washington	L, 29-36	

STARLING THE STAR: When you think of an all-purpose back, you think of someone that can run between the tackles, run to the outside, block, and catch passes out of the backfield. Devon Starling can do all of those things and more. The third-year Tiger will look to have a strong junior year after finishing last season with over 1,100 all purpose yards, which was the 4th most in the Ohio Valley Conference a year ago. The former Memphis Tiger led TSU in rushing yards last season with 800, while also leading the team in receptions with 37, to go along with 312 receiving yards, which was good for the second most on the team. Starling had three games of 100+ rushing yards, and ran for a season high 142 yards against Kentucky State. The Nashville native added three scores on the ground.

WEEK 1: BY THE NUMBERS

2,128: The number of miles from the campus of TSU to Roos Field on the campus of Eastern Washington. This game will be the farthest road trip for the Tigers, and the farthest they have ever traveled for a season opener. TSU will travel a combined 955 miles for their remaining five away games.

19: The number of FBS transfers on the 2022 roster. The Tigers will rely heavily on 18 FBS transfers, many that saw lots of playing time at their previous school, as well as any FCS transfers. Karate Brenson (Ball State), Jason Watkins (Memphis), Gleson Sprewell (Houston), K'Vaughan Pope (Ohio State), JJ Holloman (Georgia), Cory Gross (Buffalo), and Raytonta Rose (East Carolina) are a few of the new FBS additions that will look to help the Tigers in 2022.

8: The number of TSU players selected to the 2022 All-OVC Preseason Team. Quarterback Draylen Ellis highlights the team, followed by running back Devon Starling. Wide receiver Zaire Thornton got the All-OVC preseason nod, while offensive lineman Robert Lacey joined his three teammates on the offensive side. The Tigers had three defensive players get the nod as defensive tackles Tadarrius Patterson and Terray Jones were both selected, along with James Green at outside linebacker. Dayron Johnson was selected to the team as a kick returner/punt returner. Ohio State transfer linebacker K'Vaughan Pope was selected as a newcomer to watch in the conference.

26: Tennessee State needs 26 more wins to reach 600 all-time. The program has an all-time record of 574-313-33.





COACHING STAFF



EDDIE GEORGE

HEAD COACH

Eddie George is entering his second season as the 22nd head football coach at Tennessee State University.

George was appointed to the post on April 13, 2021.

In his first season, George led the Tigers to a 5-6 overall record and placed 10 players on the All-OVC team.

George played college football for Ohio State University and won the Heisman in 1995. That season, George rushed for a school record 1,927 yards and 24 touchdowns, an average of 148.23 yards per game, while also catching 47 passes for 417 yards and another score. He left Ohio State second in school history in career rushing yards (3,768) and third in rushing touchdowns (44). The Philadelphia native finished with 4,284 all-purpose yards, 45 touchdowns, and a 5.5 yards-per-carry average.

In 1996, George was the first-round draft selection of the then-Houston Oilers. He won the NFL Rookie of the Year award that season, and was the Oilers/Titans' starting tailback through 2003, never missing a start. He made the Pro Bowl four consecutive years (1997-2000), and assisted the Titans to a championship appearance in Super Bowl XXXIV. George is only the second NFL running back to rush for 10,000 yards while never missing a start, joining Jim Brown. Only Walter Payton (170) started more consecutive regular season games than George's 130.

In 2004, George signed a one-year contract with the Dallas Cowboys where he started eight games and finished the season with 432 yards and four touchdowns. He officially retired in 2006. George's career totals include 10,441 rushing yards, 268 receptions, 2,227 receiving yards, and 78 touchdowns (68 rushing and 10 receiving).

George was inducted in the College Hall of Fame in 2011 and the Philadelphia Sports Hall of Fame in 2013. He is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. and a board member of Music City Baseball. A native of Philadelphia, George graduated from Ohio State in 2001 with a bachelor's degree in Landscape Architecture. He later earned an MBA from Northwestern in 2009. He is married to Tamara "Taj" George and they have two sons, Eriq and Jaire.



THERON AYCH

OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR / QUARTERBACKS

Aych has more than 20 years of experience coaching in the college ranks. Aych spent last season as the inside wide receivers coach at UTEP. Prior to that, Aych spent four seasons at Arizona working with the wide receivers and tight ends. During his extensive career, Aych has also coached at Houston, Angelo State, Central Missouri and Washington.



BRANDON FISHER

DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR

Fisher brings over a decade of high-level NFL and collegiate coaching experience to the Tigers. The son of former Houston Oilers/Tennessee Titans and St. Louis/Los Angeles Rams head coach Jeff Fisher, Brandon Fisher spent eight seasons as an NFL assistant coach, serving as the secondary coach and assistant secondary coach for the Rams over six seasons. He also spent time on the staffs of the Tennessee Titans and Detroit Lions. Fisher was a two-year starter at Montana, playing in two FCS National Championship Games. Most recently, he served as a defensive analyst at Auburn and as the defensive coordinator at Southern Utah.





COACHING STAFF

**PEPE PEARSON, RUNNING BACKS**

Pearson brings more than 16 years of coaching experience to TSU after an outstanding playing career that saw him star at Ohio State with Eddie George, play in the NFL with the Chicago Bears and Pittsburgh Steelers and win NFL Europe's 2000 World Bowl Championship. Pearson coached running backs at Marshall for the past five seasons, guiding Brenden Knox to Conference USA MVP honors. He also coached running backs at Youngstown State and Ohio Dominican.

**KENAN SMITH, WIDE RECEIVERS**

A former two-sport star at Sacramento State, Smith was on the Los Angeles Rams staff for three seasons (2014-16), serving as offensive assistant and interim tight ends coach, before coaching wide receivers at Southern Utah for two seasons. He also served as recruiting coordinator for the Thunderbirds. Smith was selected for the NFL's Bill Walsh Minority Coaching Fellowship Program in 2018, interning with the Miami Dolphins. Smith also has made stops at Butler and Ball State and worked in marketing at Michigan in his career.

**ANTHONY LEWIS, OFFENSIVE LINE**

Lewis started his playing career at Cisco Junior College before joining Angelo State for the 2012 and 2013 seasons on the offensive line. He was a Don Hansen third-team All-Super Region Four selection and a first-team All-LSC selection in 2013. He helped the Ram offense break the ASU single-season record for total yards per game average with 457.9. Lewis helped pave the way for Kyle Washington to become the first player to pass for at least 2,000-yards and rush for at least 1,000-yards in a single season. In 2013, Lewis also helped ASU for the most rushing yards in a single season at 3,034 yards, the 1988 NFL Draft.

**MICHAEL BREWSTER, TIGHT ENDS**

Former Ohio State center Michael Brewster spent the previous two seasons as a quality control coach at the University of Cincinnati. Brewster joined former Ohio State teammate Marcus Freeman on UC's defensive coaching staff in 2020. He then moved to the offensive side of the ball in 2021.

Brewster started 49 consecutive games for the Buckeyes from 2008-2011. He was a freshman All-American, first-team All-Big Ten, first-team All-American, Rimington Trophy finalist and team captain who helped Ohio State win three Big Ten titles.

**JOE BOWDEN, ASST. HEAD COACH/ LINEBACKERS**

A former Tennessee Titans linebacker and nine-year NFL veteran, Bowden brings more than a decade of coaching experience to Tennessee State. Bowden served as defensive coordinator and linebackers coach at Missouri Baptist over the last four seasons after working as the inside linebackers coach for the San Francisco 49ers (2016) and the assistant linebackers coach for the St. Louis Rams (2012-15). He also coached at Central Oklahoma, in NFL Europe and completed an internship with the Washington Football Team. After earning All-America honors at Oklahoma, he was selected in the fifth round of the 1992 NFL Draft by the Houston Oilers and was teammate of Eddie George for several seasons.

**CLYDE SIMMONS, DEFENSIVE LINE**

A two-time All-Pro and Philadelphia Eagles Hall of Famer, Simmons played in the NFL for 15 seasons before spending the last decade in coaching. Simmons was the defensive line coach for the Cleveland Browns in 2017-18, mentoring No. 1 pick Myles Garrett before coaching the defensive lines at Missouri Baptist and Western Carolina. He also was an assistant defensive line coach with the St. Louis/Los Angeles Rams and was a coaching intern with the New York Jets. Simmons led the NFL with 19 sacks in 1992. His 121.5 career sacks ranked 11th in NFL history at the time of his retirement.

**RICHARD MCNUTT, DEFENSIVE BACKS**

McNutt, who won a national championship as a player at Ohio State, brings more than a 15 years of collegiate coaching experience to Tennessee State. Most recently, McNutt served as the defensive backs coach at Southeastern University following four seasons as the co-defensive coordinator and secondary coach at Youngstown State, where he helped the Penguins to an appearance in the 2016 FCS National Championship Game. McNutt also has coached at Toledo, Kent State, Northern Illinois and NC State, and spent one season on the Cleveland Browns staff, among several successful coaching stints.

**KEITH BURNS, SPECIAL TEAMS/ DEFENSIVE SPECIALIST**

One of the greatest special teams players in NFL history, Burns won two super bowls with the Denver Broncos and played in the NFL for 13 years. Since his playing career ended, Burns has made a name for himself as an NFL assistant, coaching special teams with the Los Angeles Chargers, Washington Football Team and Broncos. Burns starred at linebacker at Oklahoma State and was selected by the Broncos in the seventh round of the 1994 NFL Draft.

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OVC STANDINGS

(In games through November 5)

	OVC					OVERALL								
	W	L	PCT.	PF	PA	W	L	PCT.	PF	PA	Home	Away	Neutral	Streak
Southeast Missouri	3	0	1.000	125	48	7	2	.778	320	208	3-1	4-1	0-0	W1
UT Martin	3	0	1.000	146	70	5	4	.556	328	297	3-1	2-3	0-0	L1
Tennessee State	2	2	.500	70	92	3	6	.333	176	238	2-2	1-3	0-1	L2
Tennessee Tech	2	3	.400	117	160	3	6	.333	211	307	2-2	1-4	0-0	W2
Eastern Illinois	1	2	.333	69	78	2	7	.222	207	278	1-3	1-4	0-0	L4
Lindenwood	1	3	.250	121	158	6	3	.667	332	287	3-1	3-2	0-0	L1
Murray State	1	3	.250	74	116	1	8	.111	118	344	1-3	0-5	0-0	W1

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 12

McKendree at Lindenwood, 1:00 p.m. (ESPN+)
Robert Morris at Murray State, 1:00 p.m. (ESPN3)
*#19 Southeast Missouri at Eastern Illinois, 2 p.m. (ESPN+)
Tennessee Tech at North Alabama, 4:00 p.m. (ESPN+)
*UT Martin at Tennessee State, 4:00 p.m. (ESPN+)

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Saturday, November 5

*@Tennessee Tech 35, Lindenwood 34
*#20 Southeast Missouri 42, @Tennessee State 0
Kennesaw State 44, @#15 UT Martin 27
@McNeese 29, Eastern Illinois 15

* Indicates OVC Contest
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THIS WEEK'S OVC HIGHLIGHTS/STORYLINES

This year marks the 75th anniversary of the OVC, which was founded in 1948, making it the eighth-oldest Division I Conference ... The OVC is made up of seven football-playing schools in 2022, including Lindenwood which joined the league this season ... The League schedule is based around five Conference games this season (new member Lindenwood will play only four; its game with EIU is a non-conference game) ... UT Martin and Southeast Missouri are tied atop the OVC standings at 3-0 (the teams do not play this season due to the unbalanced schedule) ... SEMO is 7-1 against FCS teams in 2022 ... Lindenwood is 5-0 against non-conference teams (including three road wins) ... UTM's Rob Hicks had 26 tackles against Kennesaw State, the most by a NCAA player this season (any level) and second-most in OVC single-game history ... Three different OVC running backs have rushed for 200 or more yards in a game in 2022 (Hess, TSU's Devon Starling and UTM's Zak Wallace); Hess has reached the mark twice this year ... Southeast Missouri is now ranked No. 19/20 in the FCS Top 25 polls while UT Martin slipped out of the rankings for the first time since September of last year ... Every current OVC team (except newly Division I Lindenwood) has been ranked in the Top 25 polls for at least one week over the past six years (2016-21) ... OVC teams have 13 playoff victories since 2013, including five Quarterfinal and one National Championship game appearance ... Since 2013, six different teams that have represented the OVC have won a playoff games; the only other conferences to accomplish that are the CAA, MVFC and Southern Conference ... SEMO's Geno Hess and UTM's Dresser Winn are on the Walter Payton Watch List while UT Martin's John H. Ford II and SEMO's Bryce Norman are on the Buck Buchanan Award Watch List ... UTM's Sam Franklin is on the Jerry Rice Watch Award List ... In seven of the past 12 years (2010-21), an OVC team has defeated a Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) opponent ... Last academic year (2021-22), 103 football student-athletes were named to the OVC Commissioner's Honor Roll for achieving a 3.25 GPA or better ... This season the OVC and Southland Conference begin a two-year (2022, 2023) non-conference scheduling alliance which filled open schedule dates with a focus toward competitive balance and reasonable travel; OVC teams are 6-2 against Southland Conference teams so far this season (with one game remaining) ... The OVC and Big South have created an alliance which begins next season (2023), and combines the two conferences' football membership to ensure NCAA championship access and stability for the multisport conferences.





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Team Statistics

	TSU	OPP
Scoring	176	238
Points per game	19.6	26.4
Points Off Turnovers	24	41
First Downs	161	172
Rushing	73	69
Passing	76	87
Penalty	12	16
Rushing Yardage	1271	1495
Yards gained rushing	1626	1683
Yards lost rushing	355	188
Rushing attempts	359	325
Average per rush	3.5	4.6
Average per game	141.2	166.1
TDs Rushing	9	13
Passing Yardage	1714	1740
Comp-Att-Int	144-259-6	169-276-6
Average per pass	6.6	6.3
Average per catch	11.9	10.3
Average per game	190.4	193.3
TDs Passing	10	15
Total offense	2985	3235
Total plays	618	601
Average per play	4.8	5.4
Average per game	331.7	359.4
Kick returns: #-Yards	35-667	26-566
Punt returns: #-Yards	10-49	19-193
Int returns: #-Yards	6-98	6-184
Kick return average	19.1	21.8
Punt return average	4.9	10.2
Int return average	16.3	30.7
Fumbles-Lost	13-5	14-9
Penalties-Yards	74-580	60-536
Average per game	64.4	59.6
Punts-Yards	47-1791	39-1493
Average per punt	38.1	38.3
Net punt average	31.9	35.5
Kickoffs-Yards	40-2419	43-2572
Average per kick	60.5	59.8
Net kick average	38.0	39.6
Time of possession / game	29:42	30:13
3rd-down conversion	49/135	44/123
3rd-down pct	36%	36%
4rd-down conversion	8/19	8/18





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	TSU	OPP
4rd-down pct	42%	44%
Sacks by-Yards	22-109	30-221
Misc Yards	0	0
Touchdowns scored	21	31
Field goals - attempts	11-16	7-12
On-Side kicks	0-0	1-1
Red-zone scores	(16-23) 70%	(25-36) 69%
Red-zone touchdowns	(9-23) 39%	(20-36) 56%
PAT-attempts	(17-19) 89%	(27-29) 93%
2-point conversion-attempts	(0-2) 0%	(2-2) 100%
Attendance	46390	47164
Games / Avg per game	4/11598	4/11791
Neutral site games	-	1/51351

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
Tennessee St.	39	70	30	30	7	176
Opponents	52	68	51	59	8	238





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Team Defense

##	Player	gp	Tackles				Sacks	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot	tfl/yds		int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick	saf
11	Jahsun Bryant	9	29	34	63	2-2	0.5-0	1-1	.	2	1-0	1	.	.
4	K'Vaughan Pope	8	25	24	49	3.5-6	0.5-2	.	4	2	.	1	.	.
6	Josh Green	9	25	23	48	1-1	.	3-70	2	.	1-0	.	1	.
3	Gleson Sprewell	6	19	18	37	1.5-2	.	.	1	.	1-11	1	.	.
1	Terray Jones	9	11	22	33	4.5-32	3-29	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
0	Bryce Phillips	9	23	6	29	.	.	.	9	1	.	.	.	.
5	Tadarrius Patterson	9	16	12	28	8-38	4-22	.	.	4	.	1	.	.
37	Michael Crawford	9	12	15	27	1.5-2	.	.	1	2	.	.	3	.
55	Davoan Hawkins	9	13	13	26	3-6	0.5-1	.	.	4	2-5	1	.	.
23	Boogie Trotter	9	16	10	26	1-1	.	.	3	1	1-0	.	.	.
9	Terrell Allen	8	11	12	23	6.5-20	3.5-11	.	1	3	.	.	.	.
2	Jashon Watkins	7	17	4	21	1-4	.	1-2	3	.	.	1	.	.
48	Chris Walker	9	13	6	19	4-11	2-6	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
27	Marcellious Lockett	9	12	7	19	0.5-2	.	.	.	1	1-0	.	.	.
18	Terry Straughter	7	10	6	16	1-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
24	Cory Gross Jr.	6	6	10	16	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
19	Kendall Johnson	9	10	5	15	2-5	1-2	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
40	Detoye Adewole	9	6	8	14	3-4	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
50	Davion Nash	8	6	8	14	3.5-13	3-12	.	.	2	.	1	.	.
10	Fondren Hollis III	8	8	6	14	.	.	.	5	.	.	.	.	.
96	Cameron Stewart	9	7	4	11	2.5-12	1.5-8	.	1	.	1-0	.	1	.
25	Christian A. Smith	9	6	3	9	0.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30	Darius Harper	6	7	1	8	1-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
28	Jalen McClendon	6	7	1	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
7	Ken Andrews	9	6	1	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26	Chancellor Lorick	7	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44	Maurice McDonald	7	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
99	Abraham Alabi	4	2	1	3	0.5-1	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
85	Thomas Nance	3	2	.	2	2-15	2-15	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
57	Brent Rowe	5	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
84	Benjamin Johnson II	9	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
20	Tre Boone III	8	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
52	Carson Buchanan	9	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
31	Micah Gay	4	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
22	Jalen Rouse	9	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
98	Matthew Phillips	8	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
12	Dion Villiers	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
47	Ahmad Nelson	9	1	.	1
39	Logan McGraw	2	1	.	1
4	Chayil Garnett	2	1	.	1
17	Austin Yelder	2	1	.	1





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			Tackles				Sacks	Pass defense			Fumbles	blkd		
##	Player	gp	ua	a	tot	tfl/yds	no-yds	int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick	saf
36	Zachery Drake	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
34	James Reese IV	3	.	.	.	.	.	1-25	.	.	.	.	.	.
32	Mack Guice	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
	Totals	9	343	266	609	54-184	22-109	6-98	33	27	9-16	9	5	0
	Opponents	9	358	278	636	76-353	30-221	6-184	32	29	5-21	5	3	0





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Tennessee St. - Game Highs

RUSHES	54	at Eastern Wash. (09/03/2022)
YARDS RUSHING	290	at Eastern Wash. (09/03/2022)
YARDS PER RUSH	5.4	at Eastern Wash. (09/03/2022)
TD RUSHES	3	Lane (10/01/2022)
PASS ATTEMPTS	40	at Murray St. (10/29/2022)
PASS COMPLETIONS	27	Eastern Ill. (10/22/2022)
YARDS PASSING	309	Eastern Ill. (10/22/2022)
YARDS PER PASS	9.5	at Eastern Wash. (09/03/2022)
TD PASSES	3	Eastern Ill. (10/22/2022)
	3	at Tennessee Tech (10/15/2022)
TOTAL PLAYS	81	at Eastern Wash. (09/03/2022)
TOTAL OFFENSE	547	at Eastern Wash. (09/03/2022)
YARDS PER PLAY	6.8	at Eastern Wash. (09/03/2022)
POINTS	41	Bethune-Cookman (10/08/2022)
SACKS BY	6	Eastern Ill. (10/22/2022)
FIRST DOWNS	24	at Tennessee Tech (10/15/2022)
PENALTIES	13	at Murray St. (10/29/2022)
PENALTY YARDS	95	at Eastern Wash. (09/03/2022)
TURNOVERS	3	at Eastern Wash. (09/03/2022)
	3	Bethune-Cookman (10/08/2022)
PUNTS	9	vs Jackson St. (N) (09/10/2022)
PUNTING AVG	45.3	at Murray St. (10/29/2022)
LONG PUNT	58	at Murray St. (10/29/2022)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	2	at Eastern Wash. (09/03/2022)
LONG PUNT RETURN	16	at Tennessee Tech (10/15/2022)





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Team Results

Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
09/03/2022	at Eastern Wash.	L	29-36	3932
09/10/2022	vs Jackson St.	L	3-16	51351
09/17/2022	at Middle Tenn.	L	6-49	22227
10/01/2022	Lane	Lot1	27-28	11553
10/08/2022	Bethune-Cookman	W	41-17	22231
* 10/15/2022	at Tennessee Tech	W	30-14	5883
* 10/22/2022	Eastern Ill.	W	37-17	6237
* 10/29/2022	at Murray St.	L	3-19	15122
* 11/05/2022	Southeast Mo. St.	L	0-42	6369

Rushing

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Jalen Rouse	9	112	552	28	524	4.7	2	36	58.2
Devon Starling	8	102	499	16	483	4.7	1	43	60.4
Draylen Ellis	8	83	327	251	76	0.9	3	50	9.5
Chayil Garnett	2	13	77	4	73	5.6	1	31	36.5
Edwin Rhodes III	3	11	49	8	41	3.7	1	23	13.7
Deveon Bryant	5	8	41	1	40	5.0	1	12	8.0
Tre Boone III	8	7	40	2	38	5.4	0	11	4.8
Jordan Gant	1	7	38	0	38	5.4	0	10	38.0
John Roberts IV	7	1	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	0	-0.1
James Thorpe	3	5	3	4	-1	-0.2	0	2	-0.3
Matthew Phillips	8	1	0	5	-5	-5.0	0	0	-0.6
Rayonta Rose	7	1	0	5	-5	-5.0	0	0	-0.7
Zack Dobson	4	1	0	7	-7	-7.0	0	0	-1.8
Kobie Stillwell	2	1	0	11	-11	-11.0	0	0	-5.5
Team	9	6	0	12	-12	-2.0	0	0	-1.3
Total	9	359	1626	355	1271	3.5	9	50	141.2
Opponents	9	325	1683	188	1495	4.6	13	85	166.1

Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Draylen Ellis	8	122.8	125-221-4	56.6	1524	8	67	190.5
Chayil Garnett	2	84.4	9-19-2	47.4	92	1	34	46.0
Edwin Rhodes III	3	97.6	6-12-0	50.0	68	0	26	22.7
Deveon Bryant	5	131.6	3-6-0	50.0	19	1	12	3.8
Kaleb Mosley	9	192.4	1-1-0	100.0	11	0	11	1.2
Total	9	119.3	144-259-6	55.6	1714	10	67	190.4
Opponents	9	127.8	169-276-6	61.2	1740	15	52	193.3

Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
J.J. Holloman	9	29	320	11.0	1	26	35.6
Karate Brenson	8	17	190	11.2	1	37	23.8
Da'Shon Davis	7	14	192	13.7	0	46	27.4
Zack Dobson	4	14	210	15.0	1	67	52.5
Zaire Thornton	7	14	102	7.3	0	26	14.6
Devon Starling	8	13	167	12.8	1	49	20.9
Cam Wyche	5	12	168	14.0	1	57	33.6
Jalen Rouse	9	8	153	19.1	1	34	17.0
Josh Trueheart	9	6	57	9.5	0	19	6.3
John Roberts IV	7	6	50	8.3	2	52	7.1
Rayonta Rose	7	3	11	3.7	0	8	1.6
Jytireus Smith	9	3	32	10.7	1	18	3.6
Benjamin Johnson II	9	2	47	23.5	1	30	5.2
Tre Boone III	8	2	19	9.5	0	11	2.4
Chazan Page	9	1	-4	-4.0	0	0	-0.4
Total	9	144	1714	11.9	10	67	190.4
Opponents	9	169	1740	10.3	15	52	193.3

Game Records

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES	3-6	2-2	1-3	0-1
CONFERENCE	2-2	1-1	1-1	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	1-4	1-1	0-2	0-1

Team Statistics

	TSU	OPP
First Downs	161	172
Rushing	73	69
Passing	76	87
Penalty	12	16
Rushing Yardage	1271	1495
Rushing attempts	359	325
Average per rush	3.5	4.6
Average per game	141.2	166.1
TDs Rushing	9	13
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Average per pass	6.6	6.3
Average per catch	11.9	10.3
Average per game	190.4	193.3
TDs Passing	10	15
Total offense	2985	3235
Average per play	4.8	5.4
Average per game	331.7	359.4
Kick returns: #-Yards	35-667	26-566
Punt returns: #-Yards	10-49	19-193
Int returns: #-Yards	6-98	6-184
Fumbles-Lost	13-5	14-9
Penalties-Yards	74-580	60-536
Punts-Avg	47-38.1	39-38.3
Time of possession / game	29:42	30:13
3rd-down conversion	49/135	44/123
4rd-down conversion	8/19	8/18
PAT-attempts	(17-19) 89%	(27-29) 93%
2-point conversion-attempts	(0-2) 0%	(2-2) 100%

Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Josh Green	3	70	23.3	1	52
Jahsun Bryant	1	1	1.0	0	1
James Reese IV	1	25	25.0	0	25
Jashon Watkins	1	2	2.0	0	2
Total	6	98	16.3	1	52
Opponents	6	184	30.7	1	57





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Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Kaleb Mosley	11-16	68.8	0-0	2-4	4-5	4-6	1-1	51	2
Opponents	7-12	58.3	0-0	3-4	2-3	2-4	0-0	47	4

Scoring

Player	td	fg	PAT					pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass	dxp	
Kaleb Mosley	-	11-16	17-19	-	-	-	-	50
Draylen Ellis	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Jalen Rouse	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Devon Starling	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
John Roberts IV	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Deveon Bryant	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Josh Green	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Benjamin Johnson II	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
J.J. Holloman	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Zack Dobson	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Chayil Garnett	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Tre Boone III	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Edwin Rhodes III	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Cam Wyche	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Karate Brenson	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Jytireus Smith	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	21	11-16	17-19	0	0	0	0	176
Opponents	31	7-12	27-29	1	1	1	0	238

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
Tennessee St.	39	70	30	30	7	176
Opponents	52	68	51	59	8	238

Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Kaleb Mosley	32	1267	39.6	58	4	8	3	6	0
Matthew Phillips	6	255	42.5	55	1	1	1	1	0
Kobie Stillwell	5	173	34.6	43	0	0	1	0	0
Draylen Ellis	1	27	27.0	27	0	0	1	0	0
Team	3	69	23.0	0	0	2	0	0	1
Total	47	1791	38.1	58	5	11	6	7	1
Opponents	39	1493	38.3	60	3	9	10	5	1

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Boogie Trotter	10	49	4.9	0	16
Total	10	49	4.9	0	16
Opponents	19	193	10.2	1	20

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
TySean Jefferson	16	309	19.3	0	37
Zack Dobson	6	140	23.3	0	31
Mike Mitchell	5	101	20.2	0	34
Marcellious Lockett	5	75	15.0	0	26
Da'Shon Davis	1	14	14.0	0	14
Kamden Edwards	1	11	11.0	0	11
Cam Wyche	1	17	17.0	0	17
Total	35	667	19.1	0	37
Opponents	26	566	21.8	0	45

All Purpose

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Jalen Rouse	9	524	153	0	0	0	677	75.2
Devon Starling	8	483	167	0	0	0	650	81.3
Zack Dobson	4	-7	210	0	140	0	343	85.8
J.J. Holloman	9	0	320	0	0	0	320	35.6
TySean Jefferson	7	0	0	0	309	0	309	44.1
Da'Shon Davis	7	0	192	0	14	0	206	29.4
Karate Brenson	8	0	190	0	0	0	190	23.8
Cam Wyche	5	0	168	0	17	0	185	37.0
Zaire Thornton	7	0	102	0	0	0	102	14.6
Mike Mitchell	2	0	0	0	101	0	101	50.5
Draylen Ellis	8	76	0	0	0	0	76	9.5
Marcellious Lockett	9	0	0	0	75	0	75	8.3
Chayil Garnett	2	73	0	0	0	0	73	36.5
Josh Green	9	0	0	0	0	70	70	7.8
Josh Trueheart	9	0	57	0	0	0	57	6.3
Tre Boone III	8	38	19	0	0	0	57	7.1
Boogie Trotter	9	0	0	49	0	0	49	5.4
John Roberts IV	7	-1	50	0	0	0	49	7.0
Benjamin Johnson II	9	0	47	0	0	0	47	5.2
Edwin Rhodes III	3	41	0	0	0	0	41	13.7
Deveon Bryant	5	40	0	0	0	0	40	8.0
Jordan Gant	1	38	0	0	0	0	38	38.0
Jytireus Smith	9	0	32	0	0	0	32	3.6
James Reese IV	3	0	0	0	0	25	25	8.3
Kamden Edwards	3	0	0	0	11	0	11	3.7
Rayonta Rose	7	-5	11	0	0	0	6	0.9
Jashon Watkins	7	0	0	0	0	2	2	0.3
Jahsun Bryant	9	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.1
James Thorpe	3	-1	0	0	0	0	-1	-0.3
Chazan Page	9	0	-4	0	0	0	-4	-0.4
Matthew Phillips	8	-5	0	0	0	0	-5	-0.6
Kobie Stillwell	2	-11	0	0	0	0	-11	-5.5
Total	9	1271	1714	49	667	98	3799	422.1
Opponents	9	1495	1740	193	566	184	4178	464.2

Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Draylen Ellis	8	304	76	1524	1600	200.0
Jalen Rouse	9	112	524	0	524	58.2
Devon Starling	8	102	483	0	483	60.4
Chayil Garnett	2	32	73	92	165	82.5
Edwin Rhodes III	3	23	41	68	109	36.3
Deveon Bryant	5	14	40	19	59	11.8
Tre Boone III	8	7	38	0	38	4.8
Jordan Gant	1	7	38	0	38	38.0
Kaleb Mosley	9	1	0	11	11	1.2
John Roberts IV	7	1	-1	0	-1	-0.1
James Thorpe	3	5	-1	0	-1	-0.3
Matthew Phillips	8	1	-5	0	-5	-0.6
Rayonta Rose	7	1	-5	0	-5	-0.7
Zack Dobson	4	1	-7	0	-7	-1.8
Kobie Stillwell	2	1	-11	0	-11	-5.5
Total	9	618	1271	1714	2985	331.7
Opponents	9	601	1495	1740	3235	359.4

Team Defense





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##	Player	gp	Tackles				Sacks	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot	tfl/yds		int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick	saf
11	Jahsun Bryant	9	29	34	63	2-2	0.5-0	1-1	.	2	1-0	1	.	.
4	K'Vaughan Pope	8	25	24	49	3.5-6	0.5-2	.	4	2	.	1	.	.
6	Josh Green	9	25	23	48	1-1	.	3-70	2	.	1-0	.	1	.
3	Gleson Sprewell	6	19	18	37	1.5-2	.	.	1	.	1-11	1	.	.
1	Terray Jones	9	11	22	33	4.5-32	3-29	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
0	Bryce Phillips	9	23	6	29	.	.	.	9	1	.	.	.	.
5	Tadarrius Patterson	9	16	12	28	8-38	4-22	.	.	4	.	1	.	.
37	Michael Crawford	9	12	15	27	1.5-2	.	.	1	2	.	.	3	.
55	Davoan Hawkins	9	13	13	26	3-6	0.5-1	.	.	4	2-5	1	.	.
23	Boogie Trotter	9	16	10	26	1-1	.	.	3	1	1-0	.	.	.
9	Terrell Allen	8	11	12	23	6.5-20	3.5-11	.	1	3	.	.	.	.
2	Jashon Watkins	7	17	4	21	1-4	.	1-2	3	.	.	1	.	.
27	Marcellious Lockett	9	12	7	19	0.5-2	.	.	.	1	1-0	.	.	.
48	Chris Walker	9	13	6	19	4-11	2-6	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
18	Terry Straughter	7	10	6	16	1-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
24	Cory Gross Jr.	6	6	10	16	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
19	Kendall Johnson	9	10	5	15	2-5	1-2	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
10	Fondren Hollis III	8	8	6	14	.	.	.	5	.	.	.	.	.
40	Detoye Adewole	9	6	8	14	3-4	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
50	Davion Nash	8	6	8	14	3.5-13	3-12	.	.	2	.	1	.	.
96	Cameron Stewart	9	7	4	11	2.5-12	1.5-8	.	1	.	1-0	.	1	.
25	Christian A. Smith	9	6	3	9	0.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
28	Jalen McClendon	6	7	1	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30	Darius Harper	6	7	1	8	1-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
7	Ken Andrews	9	6	1	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44	Maurice McDonald	7	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26	Chancellor Lorick	7	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
99	Abraham Alabi	4	2	1	3	0.5-1	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
20	Tre Boone III	8	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
31	Micah Gay	4	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
57	Brent Rowe	5	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
84	Benjamin Johnson II	9	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
85	Thomas Nance	3	2	.	2	2-15	2-15	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
52	Carson Buchanan	9	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
39	Logan McGraw	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
98	Matthew Phillips	8	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
17	Austin Yelder	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
12	Dion Villiers	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
22	Jalen Rouse	9	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
47	Ahmad Nelson	9	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
36	Zachery Drake	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
4	Chayil Garnett	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.

