

SPARTANS	2-3 OVERALL	0-0 MEAC	-- / -- RANKING (STARTUP COACHES)	VS	 <b>TSU</b>	TIGERS			
	<b>DAWSON ODUMS</b> HEAD COACH	10-17 Record at NSU (1st Season)	74-61 Career Record (12th Season)				<b>EDDIE GEORGE</b> HEAD COACH	12-14 Record at NSU (1st Season)	12-14 Career Record (1st Season)
									

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2023 | 6 P.M. | NISSAN STADIUM [69,000] | NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

### 2023 NORFOLK STATE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

	<b>VIRGINIA STATE</b> September 2   2 p.m.   L, 24-33 William "Dick" Price Stadium
	<b>@ HAMPTON</b> September 9   6 p.m.   W, 31-23 Armstrong Stadium
	<b>@ TEMPLE</b> September 16   2 p.m.   L, 9-41 Lincoln Financial Field
	<b>@ TOWSON</b> September 23   4 p.m.   W, 21-14 Unitas Stadium
	<b>NORTH CAROLINA A&amp;T STATE</b> September 30   2 p.m.   L, 26-28 William "Dick" Price Stadium
	<b>@ TENNESSEE STATE</b> October 14   6 p.m. (ET) Nissan Stadium
	<b>@ HOWARD*</b> October 21   1 p.m. Greene Stadium
	<b>MORGAN STATE*</b> October 28   2 p.m. William "Dick" Price Stadium
	<b>VS. NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL*</b> November 4   2 p.m. O'Kelly-Riddick Stadium
	<b>VS. DELAWARE STATE*</b> November 11   12 p.m. Alumni Stadium
	<b>SOUTH CAROLINA STATE*</b> November 18   2 p.m. William "Dick" Price Stadium

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### GAME COVERAGE

 TELEVISION/STREAMING  
ESPN+  
TBD

 RADIO

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*Ross Gordon*

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*WNSB HOT 91.1 FM*

 LIVE STATS  
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### GAME PREVIEW

#### ABOUT THE GAME

- ◀ Norfolk State and Tennessee State will meet for just the second time ever
- ◀ The Tigers hold a 1-0 lead in the all-time series.
- ◀ Saturday's game is Homecoming at Nissan Stadium for Tennessee State University
- ◀ Norfolk State returns to action on Saturday coming off of a bye week
- ◀ Tennessee State is coming off a road victory at Kennesaw State last weekend, earning a 27-20 win at Fifth Third Bank Stadium
- ◀ The game will complete Norfolk State's non-conference regular season slate
- ◀ Norfolk State head coach Dawson Odums is in his third season
- ◀ Tennessee State head coach Eddie George is in his third year at TSU

#### ABOUT NORFOLK STATE

- ◀ The Spartans lost 28-26 to North Carolina A&T State on Saturday, Sept. 30
- ◀ The Spartans nearly pulled off a fourth-quarter comeback, with its two-point conversion attempt to tie the game falling incomplete
- ◀ Both of NSU's victories this season have come against members from the CAA
- ◀ Quarterback Otto Kuhns has tossed at least one touchdown pass in the past 10 games, dating back to the 2022 season
- ◀ Defensive lineman Grant Gaffney was selected the MEAC Rookie of the Week
- ◀ The Spartans were chosen to finish fifth in the MEAC predicted order of finish

#### ABOUT NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE

- ◀ Tennessee State comes into Saturday's game with a 3-2 record, with wins against Arkansas - Pine Bluff, Gardner-Webb, and Kennesaw State
- ◀ The Tigers are averaging 292.4 total yards and 18.2 points per game
- ◀ TSU has only played one homematchup this season

### SIDE-BY-SIDE COMPARISON

	
<b>THE BASICS</b>	
Record ..... 2-3	Record ..... 3-2
MEAC Record ..... 0-0	OVC Record ..... 1-1
Ranking (STATS/Coaches) ..... --/--	Ranking (STATS/Coaches) ..... /--
Last Game ..... Sept. 30, 2023	Last Game ..... Oct. 7, 2023
..... Loss vs. NCAT, (28-26)	..... Win at Kennesaw State (27-20)
Head Coach ..... Dawson Odums	Head Coach ..... Eddie George
Career Record ..... 74-61	Career Record ..... 11-15
Record at NSU ..... 10-17	Record at TSU ..... Same
Record in MEAC ..... 4-6	Record in OVC ..... 6-7

### STATISTICAL LEADERS

Passing ..... Otto Kuhns 57/112 678 yards, 10 TDs, 3 INT	Passing ..... Draylen Ellis 52/105 538 yards, 2 TDs, 1 INT
Rushing ..... Xavian Evans 49 att., 278 yards	Rushing ..... Jalen Rouse 58 att., 197 yards, 1 TD
Receiving ..... Andre Pegues 13 rec., 212 yards, 2 TDs	Receiving ..... Karate Brenson 5 rec., 188 yards, 1 TD
Tackles ..... Joseph White 27 tackles (12 solo)	Tackles ..... Monroe Beard III 63 tackles (32 solo)
Sacks ..... Four tied 1.0 sack	Sacks ..... Terrell Allen 3.0 sacks
Interceptions ..... Joseph White 2 interceptions	Interceptions ..... Two tied 1 interception each

### TEAM STATS

Points Per Game ..... 22.2	Points Per Game ..... 18.2
First Downs ..... 85	First Downs ..... 80
Rushing (Avg.) ..... 197.8	Rushing (Avg.) ..... 124.8
Passing (Avg.) ..... 146.6	Passing (Avg.) ..... 167.6
Offense (Avg.) ..... 344.4	Offense (Avg.) ..... 292.4
3rd Down % ..... 33.3	3rd Down % ..... 37.1
Touchdowns ..... 14	Touchdowns ..... 10
Field Goals ..... 3	Field Goals ..... 7
Time of Possession ..... 32:57	Time of Possession ..... 23:05
Sacks ..... 5	Sacks ..... 9

### INSIDE THE SERIES

Overall ..... Tennessee State leads series, 1-0
Current Streak ..... Tennessee State - Won 1
Longest Series Win Streak ..... Tennessee State - 1 (1972-Present)
First Meeting ..... Tennessee State 56, Norfolk State 6 [1972]
Last Meeting ..... Tennessee State 56, Norfolk State 6 [1972]
Games Decided by 3 Points or Less ..... 0-0
Games Decided by 7 points or less ..... 0-0

### A NORFOLK STATE WIN WOULD GIVE ...

- ◀ The Spartans their first victory over Tennessee State in program history
- ◀ NSU its third win of the season, placing them at 3-3.
- ◀ NSU its third road win of the season, its first time achieving the feat since 2019.

▼ MEDIA SCHEDULE - NORFOLK STATE													
MONDAY	9	TUESDAY	10	WEDNESDAY	11	THURSDAY	12	FRIDAY	13	SATURDAY	14	SUNDAY	15
<b>Practice</b>		<b>Practice</b>		<b>Practice</b>		<b>Practice</b>		<b>Travel Day</b>		<b>Game 5</b>		<b>OFF</b>	
Players and Coaches Only Available After Practice Upon Request  <i>MEAC Teleconference</i>		Players and Coaches Only Available After Practice Upon Request <i>Dawson Odums</i> <i>Press Conference - 11:30 a.m.</i>		Players and Coaches Only Available After Practice Upon Request		Players and Coaches Only Available After Practice Upon Request		Pregame Preparations Walk Through  No Media Availability		Norfolk State vs. Tennessee State  <i>6 p.m. EST // Nissan Stadium</i> <i>Nashville, Tenn.</i>			

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Thank you for your coverage of the Norfolk State University Spartans and Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) football. Please let us know if we can assist your efforts at any time during the football season.

The following is the list of policies and procedures of the Norfolk State University Athletic Communications Office. Please contact the NSU Athletic Communications Office with any questions or concerns.

Alex Lehmbek ([aclehmbek@nsu.edu](mailto:aclehmbek@nsu.edu)), Assistant Sports Information Director, will serve as the primary contact for Norfolk State football. All coaches/player interviews must be requested to him, and should be made at least 48 hours in advance. His contact information is listed below:

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**MEDIA CREDENTIALS**

Media credentials for Norfolk State must be requested through NSU's official website. To begin the process, visit [www.nsuspartans.com](http://www.nsuspartans.com) and under inside athletes, search Media Information. Only media covering the Spartans on a consistent basis and on assignment will be considered for season credentials. A lost season credential will result in credentials being issued on a game-by-game basis as available.

**PLAYER INTERVIEW AVAILABILITY**

All interviews with Norfolk State student-athletes should be coordinated through the Athletic Communications Office. During the season, NSU players are available after practices. No interviews will be conducted during practice. Telephone and/or Zoom interviews may be arranged by contacting Alex Lehmbek in the Athletic Communications Office. ALL interview requests should be made at least 48 hours in advance. NSU's first-year players (true freshmen) are not available for interviews.

**COACH INTERVIEW AVAILABILITY**

Interviews with third-year Spartans head coach Dawson Odums should also be arranged through the Athletic Communications Office. Head coach Dawson Odums is available for interviews throughout the week, after practices and after the conclusion of games. Telephone interviews with the head coach can be arranged by contacting the Athletic Communications Office. As with the student-athletes, interview requests should be made at least 48 hours in advance.

**COACH ODUMS WEEKLY PRESS CONFERENCE**

Norfolk State head football coach Dawson Odums will meet with the media on Tuesday's at 11:30 a.m. during his weekly press conference inside Gill Gymnasium.

**PRACTICE AVAILABILITY**

Norfolk State's football practices are open to the public and media. The first portion of the workouts (generally the first 15-20 minutes) is open to photographers.

Members of the media planning to shoot practice should contact the NSU Athletic Communications Office in advance to confirm arrangements and practice times.

**PRACTICE LOCATION**

The Spartans practice inside William "Dick" Price Stadium.

**ACCESSING INFORMATION**

In addition to the Norfolk State Athletics website ([www.nsuspartans.com](http://www.nsuspartans.com)), the latest news, weekly releases, rosters and season and single-game statistics can be sent on

a daily or weekly basis via e-mail. Contact Brian Howard to request to be added to the football distribution e-mail list.

**WE ARE NORFOLK STATE**

When referring to Norfolk State University, please only use the terms **NORFOLK STATE** or **NSU**. Please refrain from acronyms of the name **NOR**, **Norfolk St.** or **NOR ST**. In addition, Norfolk State plays in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC).

**MEAC WEEKLY HONORS**

The MEAC will name Players of the Week each Monday throughout the regular season in the following categories: Offense, Defense, Rookie, Offensive Lineman and Special Teams. Nominees are submitted to the conference office through member institutions' sports information offices, and the winners will be announced via email and the conference website each Monday.

**MEAC SOCIAL MEDIA**

Follow the MEAC on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, TikTok and YouTube for up-to-date news and information on the conference and its member institutions. Search MEAC-Sports on Facebook, follow @MEACSports on Twitter and @meacsports on Instagram and TikTok, and subscribe to the MEAC Digital Network on YouTube.

**MEAC WEEKLY TELECONFERENCE**

The MEAC will host a weekly football coaches video conference each Monday beginning at 10 a.m. The first video conference will be on Monday, Aug. 28, 2023, with the final one taking place on Monday, Nov. 20, 2023. Media interested in participating should contact Patricia Porter-Mayfield via email with their request.

**MEAC POSTSEASON AWARDS**

Following the conclusion of regular-season play, the MEAC will hold a vote for all-conference teams, to be conducted by the league's head football coaches and sports information directors. Each body will vote on a First, Second and Third Team all-conference squad, as well as Offensive Player of the Year, Defensive Player of the Year, Rookie of the Year and Offensive Lineman of the Year. The head coaches will also vote on a Coach of the Year. The Offensive and Defensive Players of the Year will be named during the National Football Foundation and College Football Hall of Fame's annual induction ceremony in December in Las Vegas, Nev.



▼ MEAC STANDINGS

Team	MEAC	Overall
Delaware State	0-0	1-5
Howard	0-0	2-3
Morgan State	0-0	1-4
<b>Norfolk State</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>2-3</b>
North Carolina Central	0-0	5-1
South Carolina State	0-0	2-3

▼ MEAC WEEKLY FOOTBALL VIDEO CONFERENCE

The MEAC will host the first weekly football video conference on Monday, Aug. 28 and conclude on Monday, Nov. 20. Beginning at 10 a.m., the Zoom will feature all MEAC head football coaches for a 10-minute session that includes a brief statement about the previous and upcoming opponent and game. Each session concludes with a question and answer session with members of the media.

Credible media outlets may access the video conference by contacting Patricia Porter-Mayfield at [mayfieldp@themecac.com](mailto:mayfieldp@themecac.com).

**DATES FOR 2023 TELECONFERENCES**  
 August 28 • September 4 • September 11 • September 18 • September 25 • October 2 • October 9 • October 16  
 October 23 • October 30 • November 6 • November 13  
 November 20

**2023 VIDEO CONFERENCE SCHEDULE:**  
 (All times Eastern)  
 10:00 a.m. MEAC Notes  
 10:03 a.m. Larry Scott, Howard  
 10:13 a.m. Trei Oliver, North Carolina Central  
 10:23 a.m. Lee Hull Delaware State  
 10:33 a.m. Dawson Odums, Norfolk State  
 10:43 a.m. Buddy Pough, South Carolina State  
 10:53 a.m. Damon Wilson, Morgan State

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▼ MID-EASTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE



**FORMED: 1970**  
 Charter members: Delaware State, Howard, Maryland Eastern Shore, Morgan State, North Carolina A&T State, North Carolina Central and South Carolina State

**Commissioner:** Ms. Sonja O. Stills      **Located:** Norfolk, Virginia

**HISTORY AT A GLANCE**

In 1969, a bold ad hoc group of innovators long associated with intercollegiate athletics met in Durham, N.C. to discuss the feasibility of organizing a new conference. From these discussions, they formed a steering and planning committee to fully investigate the idea, presented a detailed report with recommendations to interested collegiate institutions, and constructed a workshop to outline proposals.

After selecting a proposal and adopting a program, seven institutions (Delaware State College, Howard University, University of Maryland Eastern Shore, Morgan State University, North Carolina A&T State University, North Carolina Central University and South Carolina State College) agreed to become the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference. Their major objective was to establish, organize and supervise an intercollegiate athletic program among a compact group of educational institutions of high academic standards with a sound philosophy of co-curricular activities. The conference agreed to seek Division I status for its sports.

The conference was confirmed in 1970, kicking off its first season of competition in football in 1971.

In 1978, the MEAC reached a milestone when it selected Kenneth A. Free to be its first full-time commissioner. Free served the conference for 18 years before stepping down in May 1996. In July 1996, Charles S. Harris was named commissioner, and he served in that capacity until April 2002. On Sept. 1, 2002, Dr. Dennis E. Thomas was named commissioner and served in the position until Dec. 31, 2021.

On Jan. 1, 2022, Sonja Stills became the MEAC's first female commissioner and the first female commissioner of a Div. I HBCU conference.

The conference's first expansion occurred in October 1979, when Bethune-Cookman College and Florida A&M University were voted into the MEAC as new members. Original members Morgan State, North Carolina Central and Maryland Eastern Shore withdrew from the conference at the end of the 1979-80 fiscal year; Maryland Eastern Shore was readmitted in 1981 and Morgan State returned in 1984. Florida A&M opted to resign in 1984, but rejoined the conference in 1986. Coppin State College was granted admittance in 1985, becoming the ninth member institution.

The MEAC expanded again in the 1990s with the inclusion of Hampton University (1995) and Norfolk State University (1997). The conference grew once again in 2007, adding Winston-Salem State University. Winston-Salem State, a MEAC provisional member, did not meet the qualifications for Division I and withdrew from the conference following the 2009-10 academic and athletic season.

On July 1, 2010, the MEAC made its most recent expansion with the admittance of North Carolina Central and Savannah State University. On Sept. 10, 2014, the MEAC admitted Augusta University (formerly Georgia Regents University) as an associate member for men's golf. In June 2018, the MEAC added Alabama Birmingham (UAB) and Monmouth as associate members for women's bowling, effective for the 2018-19 academic year.

As of July 1, 2018, Hampton was no longer a member of the MEAC. Savannah State followed suit one year later, opting to return to the Div. II ranks.

As of July 1, 2021, Bethune-Cookman, Florida A&M and North Carolina A&T State were no longer members of the MEAC, though North Carolina A&T State does hold associate membership with the conference for the sport of women's bowling.

Augusta University, an associate member for men's golf, also left the conference on July 1, 2021.

On June 8, 1980, the MEAC was classified as a Division I conference by the NCAA; prior to that year, the conference had operated on the Division II level. The month after achieving Div. I status, the MEAC received automatic qualification to the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship. Currently, the conference has automatic qualifying bids for NCAA postseason play in men's basketball (since 1981), women's basketball (since 1982), softball (since 1995), men's and women's tennis (since 1998), volleyball (since 1994) and women's bowling (since 2018).

The MEAC declares champions in six men's sports — basketball, cross country, football, indoor track & field, outdoor track & field and tennis — and eight women's sports — basketball, bowling, cross country, indoor track & field, outdoor track & field, softball, tennis and volleyball.

The MEAC initiated cross country in 1980, and North Carolina A&T State earned the inaugural men's crown. The first women's cross country championship took place a year later, with Howard winning the first of its seven titles. Indoor track & field was also added in 1981, with South Carolina State winning the men's title and Howard taking the women's crown.

Tennis returned as MEAC-sponsored sports in 1981 after a five-year hiatus. South Carolina State won all seven of the conference's golf championships from 1972-83 before the sport was discontinued following the 1983 championship.

In wrestling, Morgan State won 13 of 24 conference championships before the sport was discontinued in 1995.

Baseball, which began in 1972, was discontinued following the 1977 season. It was brought back as a MEAC-governed sport, along with the addition of women's volleyball, in 1983. Women's softball became a MEAC-sanctioned sport in 1992.

Bowling was officially sanctioned as a MEAC sport in 1999. The MEAC was the first conference to secure NCAA sanctioning for women's bowling by adopting the club sport prior to the 1996-97 school year.

Men's golf returned as a MEAC-sponsored sport in 2014, with six teams participating in the conference championship. Bethune-Cookman was crowned the 2014 champion; the Wildcats also won the 2014 PGA Minority Collegiate Championship. Associate member Augusta University earned its first MEAC golf title in 2015, the institution's first year of conference competition, before repeating in 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019. Howard claimed the 2022 MEAC championship in just its second year sponsoring the sport following a donation by the NBA's Steph Curry to fund both the men's golf programs for a six-year period beginning in 2020-21. The Bison also claimed the 2022 PGA Works title, while Gregory Odom, Jr. was the 2022 individual champion at the MEAC and PGA Works Championships.

In July 2022, four MEAC baseball teams (Coppin State, Delaware State, Maryland Eastern Shore and Norfolk State) and three men's golf programs (Howard, Maryland Eastern Shore and North Carolina Central) temporarily joined the Northeast Conference as associate members. The schools will retain primary membership in the MEAC and begin competing in the NEC in the 2022-23 academic year.

**MEAC COMMISSIONERS**

- Ms. Sonja O. Stills (2022-present)
- Dr. Dennis E. Thomas (2002-21)
- Mr. Charles S. Harris (1996-2002)
- Mr. Kenneth A. Free (1978-96 -- first full-time commissioner)
- Dr. James Young (1975-78)
- Mr. Earl Mason (1974-75)
- Dr. Leroy Walker (1971-74)



▼ 2023 OPPONENTS SCHEDULE AND RESULTS



**VIRGINIA STATE**  
Trojans

6-0, 4-0 CIAA

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
9.2	at Norfolk State	W, 33-24
9.9	TUSCULUM	W, 21-17
9.16	at St. Augustine's*	W, 55-12
9.23	LIVINGSTONE*	W, 33-0
9.30	at Shaw*	W, 38-19
10.7	at Bowie State*	W, 44-16
10.14	BLUEFIELD STATE*	2 p.m.
10.21	ELIZABETH CITY STATE*	2 p.m.
10.28	LINCOLN (PA)	2 p.m.
11.4	at Virginia Union*	1 p.m.

\* CIAA Game



**HAMPTON**  
Pirates

3-2, 1-1 CAA

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
9.2	vs. Grambling State	W, 35-31
9.9	<b>NORFOLK STATE*</b>	<b>L, 23-31</b>
9.16	at Howard	W, 35-34
9.30	at Richmond*	W, 31-14
10.7	CAMPBELL*	L, 27-30
10.14	at Monmouth*	1 p.m.
10.21	DELAWARE*	2 p.m.
10.28	NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE*	1 p.m.
11.4	at Maine*	1 p.m.
11.11	WILLIAM & MARY*	1 p.m.
11.18	at Elon*	1 p.m.

\* Colonial Athletic Conference (CAA) Game



**TEMPLE**  
Owls

2-4, 0-2 AAC

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
9.2	AKRON	W, 24-21
9.9	at Rutgers	L, 7-36
9.16	<b>NORFOLK STATE</b>	<b>W, 41-9</b>
9.23	MIAMI (Fla.)	L, 7-41
9.28	at Tulsa*	L, 26-48
10.7	UT-SAN ANTONIO*	L, 34-49
10.14	at North Texas*	12 p.m.
10.20	SMU*	7 p.m.
11.4	NAVY*	TBA
11.11	at South Florida*	TBA
11.18	at UAB*	TBA
11.25	MEMPHIS*	TBA

\* American Athletic Conference



**TOWSON**  
Tigers

2-4, 1-2 CAA

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
9.2	at Maryland	L, 6-38
9.9	MONMOUTH*	L, 23-42
9.16	at Morgan State	W, 20-10
9.23	<b>NORFOLK STATE</b>	<b>L, 14-21</b>
9.30	at New Hampshire*	W, 54-51 (OT)
10.7	ALBANY*	L, 17-24
10.21	at William & Mary*	3:30 p.m.
10.28	DELAWARE*	4 p.m.
11.4	at North Carolina A&T State*	1 p.m.
11.11	at Villanova*	1 p.m.
11.18	RHODE ISLAND*	1 p.m.

\* Colonial Athletic Conference (CAA) Game



**NORTH CAROLINA A&T**  
Aggies

1-4, 0-2 CAA

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
8.31	at UAB	L, 6-35
9.9	NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL	L, 16-30
9.16	at Elon*	L, 3-27
9.30	at Norfolk State	W, 28-26
10.7	VILLANOVA*	L, 14-37
10.14	at Delaware*	3 p.m.
10.21	RICHMOND*	1 p.m.
10.28	at Hampton*	1 p.m.
11.4	TOWSON*	1 p.m.
11.11	at Rhode Island*	1 p.m.
11.18	CAMPBELL*	1 p.m.

\* Colonial Athletic Conference (CAA) Game



**TENNESSEE STATE**  
Tigers

2-1, 0-0 OVC

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
9.2	at Notre Dame	L, 3-56
9.9	vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff	W, 21-14
9.16	GARDNER-WEBB*	W, 27-25
9.30	at UT-Martin*	L, 10-20
10.7	at Kennesaw State	W, 27-20
10.14	<b>NORFOLK STATE</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
10.21	LINCOLN (CA)	2 p.m.
10.28	LINDENWOOD*	2 p.m.
11.4	at Charleston Southern	3 p.m.
11.11	at Eastern Illinois*	12 p.m.
11.18	TENNESSEE TECH	2 p.m.

\* Ohio Valley Conference



**HOWARD**  
Bison

2-3, 0-0 MEAC

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
9.1	at Eastern Michigan	L, 23-33
9.9	MOREHOUSE	W, 65-19
9.16	HAMPTON	L, 34-35
9.30	at Robert Morris	W, 35-10
10.7	at Northwestern	L, 20-23
10.14	at Harvard	1 p.m.
10.21	<b>NORFOLK STATE*</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
10.28	at Delaware State*	12 p.m.
11.4	at South Carolina State*	3:30 p.m.
11.11	NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL*	1 p.m.
11.18	MORGAN STATE	1 p.m.

\* Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) Game



**MORGAN STATE**  
Bears

1-4, 0-0 MEAC

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
9.2	at Richmond	W, 17-10
9.9	at Akron	L, 21-24
9.16	TOWSON	L, 10-20
9.23	ALBANY	L, 17-23
9.30	at Yale	L, 3-45
10.7	STONY BROOK	Cancelled
10.19	NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL*	7:30 p.m.
10.28	at Norfolk State*	2 p.m.
11.4	DELAWARE STATE*	1 p.m.
11.11	at South Carolina State*	12 p.m.
11.18	at Howard	1 p.m.

\* Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) Game



**N.C. CENTRAL**  
Eagles

5-1, 0-0 MEAC

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
9.9	WINSTON-SALEM STATE	W, 47-21
9.9	at North Carolina A&T State	W, 30-16
9.16	at UCLA	L, 7-59
9.23	vs. Mississippi Valley State	W, 45-3
9.30	CAMPBELL	W, 49-48
10.7	at Elon	W, 34-23
10.19	at Morgan State*	7:30 p.m.
10.26	SOUTH CAROLINA STATE*	7:30 p.m.
11.4	<b>NORFOLK STATE*</b>	<b>2 p.m.</b>
11.11	at Howard*	1 p.m.
11.18	DELAWARE STATE*	2 p.m.

\* Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) Game



**DELAWARE STATE**  
Hornets

1-5, 0-0 MEAC

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
9.2	BOWIE STATE	L, 11-22
9.9	at Army	L, 0-57
9.16	at Richmond	L, 6-38
9.23	at Miami (Ohio)	L, 20-62
9.30	VIRGINIA-LYNCHBURG	W, 48-10
10.7	at Central Connecticut State	L, 44-51
10.21	SOUTH CAROLINA STATE*	12 p.m.
10.28	HOWARD*	12 p.m.
11.4	at Morgan State*	1 p.m.
11.11	<b>NORFOLK STATE*</b>	<b>12 p.m.</b>
11.18	at North Carolina Central*	2 p.m.

\* Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) Game



**SOUTH CAROLINA ST.**  
Bulldogs

2-3, 0-0 MEAC

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
10.26	vs. Jackson State	L, 7-37
9.2	at Charlotte	L, 3-24
9.9	at Georgia Tech	L, 13-48
9.23	THE CITADEL	W, 31-10
10.7	VIRGINIA-LYNCHBURG	W, 56-6
10.14	TENNESSEE TECH	1:30 p.m.
10.21	at Delaware State*	12 p.m.
10.26	at North Carolina Central*	7:30 p.m.
11.4	HOWARD*	3:30 p.m.
11.11	MORGAN STATE*	12 p.m.
11.18	at Norfolk State*	2 p.m.

\* Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) Game



▼ SERIES RESULTS VS. 2023 OPPONENTS

1976	10/9	L	7	13
1977	10/8	L	14	21
1978	10/7	L	28	39
1979	10/6	W	27	26
1987	10/3	W	20	17
1988	10/1	W	30	6
1989	9/30	W	6	0
1990	9/29	L	6	20
1991	10/5	L	14	50
1992	10/3	L	6	35
1998	10/3	L	20	34
1999	10/2	L	14	28
2000	9/30	L	0	16
2001	9/29	L	0	43
2002	10/5	L	10	36
2003	10/4	L	14	34
2004	10/2	W	27	14
2005	9/10	L	14	16
2006	9/30	W	42	20
2007	9/27	W	50	20
2008	9/13	W	27	21
2009	9/12	L	13	17
2010*	9/11	W	23	14
2011*	10/29	W	14	10
2012	10/27	L	9	30
2015	10/10	L	3	27
2016	10/6	L	0	35
2017	11/4	L	7	35
2018	11/3	L	20	37
2019	10/5	L	19	58
2022	11/5	L	24	49
2023	9/30	L	26	28

**North Carolina A&T State Series Notes**

Norfolk State Points	647
North Carolina A&T State Points	1,170
Games Decided by 3 Points or Less	3-4
Games Decided by 7 Points or less	5-10
Longest Winning Streak	4 (1979-1989)
Current Streak	Lost 8
Last 10 Games	2-8
Biggest Win	2007 (50-20)
Biggest Loss	1968 (61-14)

**TENNESSEE STATE [0-1]**

YEAR	DATE	W/L/T	NSU	OPP.
1972	9/9	L	6	56

**Tennessee State Series Notes**

Norfolk State Points	6
Tennessee State Points	56
Games Decided by 3 Points or Less	0-0
Games Decided by 7 Points or less	0-0
Longest Winning Streak	None
Current Streak	Lost 1
Last 10 Games	0-1
Biggest Win	None
Biggest Loss	1972 (56-6)

**HOWARD [9-19]**

YEAR	DATE	W/L/T	NSU	OPP.
1981	10/31	L	28	49
1982	10/30	L	18	24
1983	10/29	W	19	12

1984	10/27	W	42	10
1985	11/2	L	21	28
1986	11/1	L	13	38
1987	10/31	L	6	43
1996	11/2	L	14	42
1997	11/1	L	24	32
1998	10/31	L	20	54
1999	10/30	L	23	29
2000	10/28	L	0	14
2001	10/27	W-OT	7	0
2002	11/2	L	0	21
2003	11/1	L	28	42
2004	10/30	L	17	35
2005	10/29	W	26	7
2006	10/28	L	10	13
2007	10/27	L	10	17
2008	11/1	W	49	12
2009*	10/31	W	41	6
2010*	10/30	W	10	9
2011*	9/17	W	23	9
2012	9/15	L-OT	36	37
2015	10/3	W	15	12
2016	10/1	L	28	33
2017	11/11	L	24	28
2018	11/10	W	29	17
2019	10/12	W	49	21
2021	10/23	W	45	31
2022	10/29	L	21	49

**Howard Series Notes**

Norfolk State Points	622
Howard Points	750
Games Decided by 3 Points or Less	2-2
Games Decided by 7 Points or less	4-7
Longest Winning Streak	3 (2018-2021)
Current Streak	Lost 1
Last 10 Games	5-5
Biggest Win	2008 (49-20)
Biggest Loss	1998 (54-20)

**MORGAN STATE [21-12]**

YEAR	DATE	W/L/T	NSU	OPP.
1965	11/13	L	0	33
1966	11/12	L	0	34
1967	11/11	L	0	63
1968	11/16	L	7	34
1969	11/15	L	6	48
1970	9/19	L	7	15
1971	9/18	L	9	33
1986	10/4	W	23	21
1988	10/25	W	35	9
1989	9/2	L	20	31
1991	9/7	W	27	9
1997	9/27	W	48	6
1998	9/26	W	46	43
1999	11/6	W	20	16
2000	11/4	W	19	14
2001	11/3	W	33	27
2002	11/9	W	17	14
2003	11/22	L	34	43
2004	11/6	L	28	58
2005	11/5	W	24	21
2006	11/4	L	20	29
2007	11/3	W	24	16
2008	11/8	W	35	9

2009*	11/17	W	31	23
2010*	11/6	W	37	25
2011*	11/12	W	47	14
2012	11/10	W	30	0
2013	9/28	W	27	21
2014	9/27	W	15	14
2015	11/21	W	17	10
2016	10/29	W	27	14
2017	11/18	W	45	32
2018	11/17	L	27	44
2019	11/2	W	48	0
2021	10/30	W	31	20
2022	10/8	W	24	21

**Morgan State Series Notes**

Norfolk State Points	773
Morgan State Points	802
Games Decided by 3 Points or Less	7-0
Games Decided by 7 Points or less	11-0
Longest Winning Streak	8 (2007-2017)
Current Streak	Won 3
Last 10 Games	9-1
Biggest Win	2019 (48-0)
Biggest Loss	1967 (63-0)

**NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL [7-12]**

YEAR	DATE	W/L/T	NSU	OPP.
1981	11/14	L	21	27
1982	10/9	W	14	9
1983	10/8	L	6	47
1984	10/6	W	29	26
1985	10/12	W	32	14
1987	9/19	L	20	28
1988	9/17	L	7	10
1993	9/11	L	20	30
1994	9/10	W	26	24
1995	11/3	W	27	6
2013	11/16	L	13	24
2014	11/15	L	14	19
2015	10/31	L	16	24
2016	9/24	L	31	34
2017	10/21	W	28	21
2018	10/20	L	6	36
2019	11/9	W	38	21
2021	11/6	L-20T	36	38
2022	11/12	L	14	48

**North Carolina Central Series Notes**

Norfolk State Points	398
North Carolina Central Points	486
Games Decided by 3 Points or Less	2-3
Games Decided by 7 Points or less	4-6
Longest Winning Streak	2 (1994-1995)
Current Streak	Lost 2
Last 10 Games	3-7
Biggest Win	1995 (27-6)
Biggest Loss	1983 (47-6)

**DELAWARE STATE [6-18]**

YEAR	DATE	W/L/T	NSU	OPP.
1953		L	0	18
1954		L	0	7
1995	9/30	L	14	20
1996	9/28	W	27	23



## ALPHABETICAL

NO.	NAME	POS.
21	Devon Allen	DB
3	RJ Baker	WR
0	Sage Beuchert-Irvine	DL
5	Taron Biles-Walker	WR
37	Kaleb Broadbent	NI
82	Kaleb Brown	WR
62	Jaden Bryant	OL
92	Taesean Burt	TE
24	Chris Butler	WR
66	Vincent Byrd Jr.	OL
74	Juwuan Carbonell	OL
33	Darren Castor	DB
	Isaiah Ceus	NI
71	Jayden Chappell	OL
45	Taevion Clarke	DL
28	R.J. Coles	DB
70	Isaiah Coley	DL
17	Jordin Cooper	WR
	Davion Corpening	DB
89	Michael Curry	TE
83	Clifton Davis	WR
73	Samuel Eskridge	OL
	Aaron Evans	DB
39	X'Zavion Evans	RB
46	De'Shawn Faunterloy	RB
26	Kailib Felder	DB
43	Cameron Foreman	WR
55	Baron Franks II	OL
78	Grant Gaffney	DL
40	Xavier Graham	LB
75	Evan Gregory	OL
15	Jordan Griffin	TE
59	Javoni Hales	LB
85	Jayden Hargett	DL
23	Richard Harleston	NI
57	Stewart Harris	OL
97	Bernard Heath	DL
48	Isaiah Henderson	DL
32	Lex Henry III	RB
87	Jayden Homuth	WR
48	DJ James III	RB
95	Levontae Jacobs	DL
7	Nolan James	QB
94	Tyler Johnson	DL
63	Chris Jones	OL
50	Justin Joyner	LB
69	Malcolm Kennion	OL
13	Kevon King	RB
4	Otto Kuhns	QB
18	Ruben Lee II	QB
9	Jordin Lennon	RB
	Azarai Lewis	DB
34	Kameron Lewis	DB
19	Daylan Long	LB
90	Keshawn Lynch	DL
9/13	Terron Mallory	DB
54	Javontay Martin	LB

## NUMERICAL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	POS.	HT.	WT.	CL.	HOMETOWN/PREVIOUS SCHOOL
0	Sage Beuchert-Irvine	DL	6-3	244	R-Jr.	Reston, Va. / South Lakes HS
1	Joseph White	DB	6-1	174	Gr.	Virginia Beach, Va. / Virginia
2	Tremayne Talbert	WR	5-8	183	R-Jr.	Richmond, Va. / Highland Springs HS
3	RJ Baker	WR	5-9	165	Fr.	Greensboro, N.C. / Dudley HS
4	Otto Kuhns	QB	6-3	194	Jr.	Carroll, Ohio / Eastern Illinois
5	Taron Biles-Walker	WR	5-7	145	So.	Columbus, Ohio / Whitehall-Yearling HS
6	Aaron Moore	WR	6-0	185	Sr.	Dumfries, Va. / Old Dominion
7	Andre Pegues	WR	6-3	205	Gr.	Raeford, N.C. / East Carolina
8	Ikeem Wright	TE	6-1	244	So.	Norfolk, Va. / Lake Taylor HS
9	Jordin Lennon	RB	5-10	211	So.	Yorktown, Va. / York HS
9/13	Terron Mallory	DB	5-11	185	Jr.	New Haven, Conn. / Sacred Heart
10	Izayah Whiteside	QB	6-2	164	R-Fr.	Columbia, S.C. / Irmo HS
10	Robert Rhem	NI	5-10	185	Gr.	Ocala, Fla. / Southern
11	Cameron Sapp	QB	6-2	215	R-Jr.	Jacksonville, Fla. / Florida A&M
12	Jaylen White	RB	5-10	185	R-So.	Hampton, Va. / Phoebus HS
13	Kevon King	RB	5-11	200	So.	Chesapeake, Va. / Oscar Smith HS
15	Jordan Griffin	TE	6-7	237	R-Jr.	Hyattsville, Md. / Bowie State
16	Christian Ruffin	DB	5-11	180	Jr.	Raleigh, N.C. / Southeast Raleigh HS
17	Jordin Cooper	WR	5-9	165	Fr.	Virginia Beach, Va. / Cox HS
18	Ruben Lee II	QB	6-1	200	R-So.	Moss Point, Miss. / Hinds CC
19	Daylan Long	LB	5-11	190	R-So.	Cincinnati, Ohio / Miami (Ohio)
20	Jason Wonodi	WR	5-11	161	So.	Brockton, Mass. / Brockton HS
21	Devon Allen	DB	6-0	177	Jr.	Virginia Beach, Va. / Ocean Lakes HS
22	Ryan Thompson	DB	5-11	185	Fr.	Burns, N.C. / Burns HS
23	Richard Harleston	NI	5-10	195	R-Jr.	Virginia Beach, Va. / James Madison
24	Chris Butler	WR	5-11	200	R-Jr.	Glen Allen, Va. / Glen Allen HS
25	Collis Pride	WR	6-2	180	R-Jr.	Dinwiddie, Va. / Bluefield State
26	Kailib Felder	DB	5-10	175	R-So.	Baltimore, Md. / Franklin HS
27	Oladapo Salimonu	DB	5-10	180	R-Jr.	Norcross, Ga. / Dodge City CC
28	R.J. Coles	DB	5-10	193	Gr.	Richmond, Va. / Varina HS
29	Kamaree Wells	DB	6-2	195	Fr.	Richmond, Va. / Fort Union Military Academy
30	Jayden Smith	DB	6-1	178	Jr.	Woodbridge, Va. / Freedom HS
31	Christian Parham	DB	6-0	179	So.	Virginia Beach, Va. / Green Run HS
32	Lex Henry III	RB	5-8	189	Jr.	Virginia Beach, Va. / Salem HS
33	Darren Castor	DB	5-10	177	R-Fr.	Brockton, Mass. / Brockton HS
34	Kameron Lewis	DB	6-1	174	R-So.	Woodbridge, Va. / Forest Park HS
35	Joshua Rembert	WR	5-9	160	Fr.	Ocala, Fla. / Vanguard HS
36	Jamare Robinson	NI	6-1	190	Fr.	Kannapolis, N.C. / A.L. Brown HS
37	Kaleb Broadbent	NI	5-11	196	So.	Chesapeake, Va. / Western Branch HS
39	X'Zavion Evans	RB	5-10	215	Jr.	Chesapeake, Va. / Lackawanna College
40	Xavier Graham	LB	6-2	206	Fr.	Lancaster, S.C. / Lancaster HS
41	AJ Richardson	LB	6-1	235	Fr.	Kings Mountain, N.C. / Kings Mountain HS
43	Cameron Foreman	WR	6-2	183	Gr.	Mechanicsville, Va. / Fort Union Military Academy
43	Richard Martin Jr.	LB	6-0	205	Fr.	Newport News, Va. / Warwick HS
44	Mohamed Nyangamukenga	RB	6-2	240	Jr.	Brooklyn, N.Y. / Mt. San Antonio College
45	Taevion Clarke	DL	6-4	227	R-So.	Baltimore, Md. / Old Dominion
46	De'Shawn Faunterloy	RB	5-6	190	So.	Newport News, Va. / Warwick HS
46	Isaiah Stevens	DB	5-9	166	R-Fr.	Stafford, Va. / North Stafford HS
47	Zion Porter-Ervin	WR	5-9	170	R-So.	Phoebus, Va. / Phoebus HS
48	DJ James III	RB	5-8	170	R-Fr.	Virginia Beach, Va. / Ocean Lakes HS
48	Isaiah Henderson	DL	6-3	240	So.	Virginia Beach, Va. / East Tennessee
49	Michael Vinson	LB	6-2	240	So.	Baltimore, Md. / St. Francis Academy
50	Justin Joyner	LB	5-11	200	Fr.	Virginia Beach, Va. / Kempsville HS
51	Miguel Rijo	LB	6-1	225	Fr.	Virginia Beach, Va. / Fort Union Military Academy
52	Austin Pittman	OL	6-3	312	Fr.	Winston-Salem, N.C. / Mt. Tabor HS
52	Matthieu Watts	LB	6-4	212	R-So.	Hampton, Va. / Phoebus HS
54	Javontay Martin	LB	6-3	181	So.	Virginia Beach, Va. / Bayside HS
55	Baron Franks II	OL	6-5	264	R-Jr.	Greenville, S.C. / Greenville Senior HS
57	Stewart Harris	OL	6-2	290	Fr.	Pearland, Texas / Shadow Creek HS
58	Terique Miles	LB	6-3	237	R-So.	Norfolk, Va. / Palmetto Prep
59	Javoni Hales	LB	5-11	238	R-So.	Newport News, Va. / Menchville HS
60	Dyral McMillan	OL	6-2	284	R-So.	Charlotte, N.C. / Jireh Prep
61	Grandin Willcox	P/K	5-11	220	So.	Ocala, Fla. / Vanguard HS
62	Jaden Bryant	OL	6-4	389	R-Fr.	Norfolk, Va. / Norview HS



**SQUAD BREAKDOWN**

True Freshman .....	29
Redshirt Freshmen .....	13
Sophomores .....	15
Redshirt Sophomores .....	25
Juniors .....	9
Redshirt Juniors .....	8
Redshirt Senior .....	1
Graduates .....	6

**POSITION BREAKDOWN**

Quarterbacks .....	5
Running Backs .....	8
Wide Receivers .....	17
Tight Ends .....	5
Offensive Lineman .....	17
Defensive Lineman .....	16
Nicklebacks .....	3
Linebackers .....	11
Defensive Backs .....	20
Kickers .....	3
Long Snappers .....	1

**LETTERMAN RETURNING [53]**

**OFFENSE [27]**

Jayden Bryant .....	OL
Vincent Byrd Jr. ....	OL
Chris Butler .....	WR
Juwuan Carbonell .....	OL
Michael Curry .....	TE
Clifton Davis .....	WR
De'Shawn Fautleroy .....	RB
Baron Franks II .....	OL
Evan Gregory .....	OL
Lex Henry .....	RB
D.J. James III .....	RB
Chris Jones .....	OL
Kevon King .....	RB
Otto Kuhns .....	QB
Jordin Lennon .....	RB
Dyral McMillan .....	OL
Tavian Morris .....	WR
Collis Pride .....	WR
Julian Soriano .....	OL
Isaiah Stephens .....	TE
Tremayne Talbert .....	WR
Michael Tamakloe .....	OL
Garrison Wheatley .....	OL
Jaylen White .....	RB
Izayah Whiteside .....	QB
Jason Wonodi .....	WR
Ikeem Wright .....	TE

**DEFENSE [28]**

Devon Allen .....	DB
Sage Beuchert-Irvine .....	DL
Kaleb Broadbent .....	DB
Darren Castor .....	DB
R.J. Coles .....	DB
Kailib Felder .....	DB
Cameron Foreman .....	DB
Javoni Hales .....	LB
Marquis Hall .....	LB
Jayden Hargett .....	DL
Ricky Harleston .....	DB
Jordyn Heath .....	DL
Levontae Jacobs .....	DL
Tyler Johnson .....	DL
Kameron Lewis .....	DB
Daylan Long .....	LB
Javontay Martin .....	LB
Terique Miles .....	LB
Christian Parham .....	DB
Javari Rice-Wilson .....	DL
Christian Ruffin .....	DB
Jayden Smith .....	DB
Jalen Swindell .....	DL
Isaiah Stevens .....	DB
Michael Vinson .....	LB
Matthieu Watts .....	DL
Joseph White .....	DB
Jaylen Williams .....	DL

**SPECIALISTS [3]**

Toby Willis .....	LS
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**2023 NORFOLK STATE FOOTBALL GAME NOTES**

Grandin Wilcox .....	K/P
Carson Wilt .....	K/P

**STARTERS RETURNING [18] [min 4 Games]**

**OFFENSE [9]**

Vincent Byrd Jr. ....	OL
Chris Butler .....	WR
Baron Franks II .....	OL
Otto Kuhns .....	QB
Jordin Lennon .....	RB
Dyral McMillan .....	OL
Collis Pride .....	WR
Tremayne Talbert .....	WR
Garrison Wheatley .....	OL

**DEFENSE [6]**

Sage Beuchert-Irvine .....	DL
R.J. Coles .....	DB
Marquis Hall .....	LB
Levontae Jacobs .....	DL
Jayden Smith .....	DB
Joseph White .....	DB

**SPECIALISTS [3]**

Toby Willis .....	LS
Grandin Wilcox .....	K/P
Carson Wilt .....	K/P

**LETTERMAN LOST [52]**

**OFFENSE [26]**

Jamarei Ashby-Phan .....	WR
Jaylan Adams .....	QB
Corie Addo .....	WR
Egan Atkins .....	OL
Jeremiah Boling-Farrar .....	OL
Frank Boyd III .....	OL
Tynique Breathwaite .....	OL
Colby Byrd .....	OL
Jay Carney III .....	QB
J.J. Davis .....	RB
Kyler Davis .....	QB
Bobby Dunn .....	WR
Da'Quan Felton .....	WR
Ademola Faleye .....	TE
Silas Fitzgerald .....	OL
Kevin Gayles .....	WR
Lukai Hatcher .....	WR
Andrew Nickens .....	OL
Zion Porter-Ervin .....	WR
Christopher Price .....	QB
Lamar Robinson .....	OL
Elijah Smith .....	WR
Teddy Watson .....	QB
Mark Williams .....	TE
Jeff Woods .....	OL

**DEFENSE [25]**

Stuart Anderson Jr. ....	DB
Imani Bey .....	DL
Anthony Blume .....	DB
Tayvion Chandler-Land .....	DB
Cameron Curry .....	DL
D.J. Djonkam .....	DL
Jonathan Hall .....	LB
Shamar Hill .....	DL
Owen Jackson .....	DB
Shawn Johnson .....	DL
Tyler Long .....	LB
Jeremiah Martin .....	DL
Ja'Len Morrison .....	DB
Jashaun Morrison .....	DB
Nyamusa Njoka .....	DB
Pierre Royster .....	DB
Brandon Savage .....	DB
Noah Spencer .....	DB
T.J. Stevenson .....	DL
Dorian Stitmon .....	DB
Justin Toler .....	DB
Marcus Triggs .....	LB
Amadeu Vital .....	DL
A.J. Williams .....	DB
Shavieaa Williams .....	DB

**SPECIALISTS [1]**

Marvin Dozier .....	LS
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**STARTERS LOST [19] [min 4 Games]**

**OFFENSE [6]**

Colby Byrd .....	OL
J.J. Davis .....	RB
Da'Quan Felton .....	WR
Ademola Faleye .....	TE
Lukai Hatcher .....	WR
Lamar Robinson .....	OL

**DEFENSE [13]**

Stuart Anderson Jr. ....	DB
Anthony Blume .....	DL
Tayvion Chandler-Land .....	DB
Jonathan Hall .....	LB
Shamar Hill .....	DL
Tyler Long .....	LB
Ja'Len Morrison .....	DB
Nyamusa Njoka .....	DB
Pierre Royster .....	DB
Brandon Savage .....	DB
Noah Spencer .....	DB
T.J. Stevenson .....	DL
Justin Toler .....	DB

**2023 SIGNEES/NEWCOMERS [53]**

**OFFENSE [28]**

RJ Baker .....	ATH
Taron Biles-Walker .....	WR
Kaleb Brown* .....	WR
Taesean Burt .....	TE
Jayden Chappell .....	OL
Jordin Cooper .....	WR
Samuel Eskridge .....	OL
Jordan Griffin .....	TE
Stewart Harris .....	OL
Jayden Homuth* .....	WR
Nolan James .....	QB
Tiwan Johnson^ .....	OL
Malcolm Kennion .....	OL
Ruben Lee II^ .....	QB
Elyjah Mitchell .....	WR
Aaron Moore* .....	WR
Mohamed Nyangamukenga^ .....	RB
Ola Olasimbo .....	OL
Andre Pegues* .....	WR
Gregory Perkins* .....	TE
Austin Pittman .....	OL
Joshua Rembert .....	WR
Cameron Sapp* .....	QB
I'Mire Talley .....	WR
Issac Tavo .....	OL
Zion Thomas-Fugate .....	WR
Mark Wagner II* .....	QB
Jahrell Walton .....	WR

**DEFENSE [24]**

Taevison Clarke* .....	DL
Isaiah Coley .....	DL
Davion Corpening .....	DB
Aaron Evans .....	DB
Grant Gaffney .....	DL
Xavier Graham .....	LB
Isaiah Henderson* .....	DL
Justin Joyner .....	LB
Azarai Lewis .....	DB
Keshawn Lynch* .....	DL
Terron Mallory* .....	DB
Richard Martin Jr. ....	LB
Dantey Menard .....	DL
Erik Queen Jr. ....	DB
Kamari Reynolds .....	LB
Robert Rhem III* .....	NI
AJ Richardson .....	LB
Miguel Rijo^ .....	LB
Jamare Robinson .....	LB
Mohammad Saleh .....	DL
Oladap Salimonu^ .....	DB
Brent Stratton .....	DB
Ryan Thompson .....	DB
Kamaree Wells .....	DB

**SPECIALISTS [1]**

Noah Tracey .....	P/K
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\* Division I Transfer

^ Community College/Junior College Transfer



**▼ NORFOLK STATE DEFENSIVE DEPTH CHART**

<b>DE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Sage Beuchart-Irvine</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>R-Jr.</b>	Reston, Va. / South Lakes HS
	48	Isaiah Henderson	6-3	240	So.	Virginia Beach, Va. / East Tennessee
<b>DT</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>Javari Rice-Wilson</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>R-So.</b>	<b>Kings Mountain, N.C. / Fordham</b>
	98	Jalen Swindell	6-2	308	R-Fr.	Charlotte, N.C. / Wake Forest
<b>NT</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>Grant Gaffney</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>Fr.</b>	<b>Virginia Beach, Va. / Salem HS</b>
	95	Levontae Jacobs	6-3	285	Jr.	Salisbury, N.C. / West Rowan HS
<b>DE</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>Keyshawn Lynch</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>R-So</b>	<b>Newport News, Va. / Old Dominion</b>
	45	Taevion Clarke	6-3	227	R-So.	Baltimore, Md. / Old Dominion
<b>Mike</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>AJ Richardson</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>Fr.</b>	<b>Kings Mountain, N.C. / Kings Mountain HS</b>
	59	Javoni Hales	5-11	238	R-So.	Newport News, Va. / Menchville HS
<b>Wing</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>Daylan Long</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>R-So.</b>	<b>Cincinnati, Ohio / Miami (Ohio)</b>
	58	Terique Miles	6-3	237	R-So.	Norfolk, Va. / Palmetto Prep
<b>S</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>Ricky Harleston</b>	<b>5-10</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>R-Jr.</b>	<b>Virginia Beach, Va. / James Madison</b>
	10	Robert Rhem	5-10	185	Gr.	Ocala, Fla. / Southern
<b>CB</b>	<b>9/13</b>	<b>Terron Mallory</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>Jr.</b>	<b>New Haven, Conn. / Sacred Heart</b>
	27	Ola Salimonu	5-10	180	R-Jr.	Norcross, Ga. / Dodge City CC
<b>R</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>R.J. Coles</b>	<b>5-10</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>Gr.</b>	<b>Richmond, Va. / Varina HS</b>
	34	Kameron Lewis	6-1	174	R-So.	Woodbridge, Va. / Forest Park HS
<b>FS</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Joseph White</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>Gr.</b>	<b>Virginia Beach, Va. / Virginia</b>
	29	Kamaree Wells	6-2	195	Fr.	Richmond, Va. / Fort Union Military Academy
<b>CB</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Devon Allen</b>	<b>6-0</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>Jr.</b>	<b>Virginia Beach, Va. / Ocean Lakes HS</b>
	26	Kailib Felder	5-10	180	R-Jr.	Baltimore, Md. / Franklin HS

**▼ NORFOLK STATE OFFENSIVE DEPTH CHART**

<b>LT</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>Vincent Byrd Jr.</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>So.</b>	<b>Stafford, Va. / Colonial Forge HS</b>
	68	Julian Soriano	6-6	283	R-So.	Suffolk, Va. / Emory & Henry
<b>LG</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>Evan Gregory</b>	<b>6-4</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>Gr.</b>	<b>Brandywine, Md. / Maryland</b>
	69	Malcolm Kennion	6-3	310	Fr.	Greensboro, N.C. / Dudley HS
<b>C</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>Garrison Wheatley</b>	<b>6-4</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>Jr.</b>	<b>Coppell, Texas / Hocking College</b>
	52	Austin Pittman	6-3	312	Fr.	Winston-Salem, N.C. / Mt. Tabor HS
<b>RG</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>Dyral McMillan</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>R-So.</b>	<b>Charlotte, N.C. / Jireh Prep</b>
	62	Jaden Bryant	6-4	389	Fr.	Norfolk, Va. / Norview HS
<b>RT</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>Baron Franks</b>	<b>6-5</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>R-Jr.</b>	<b>Greenville, S.C. / Greenville Senior HS</b>
	73	Samuel Eskridge	6-3	295	Fr.	Kings Mountain, N.C. / Kings Mountain HS
<b>WR-Z</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Andre Pegues</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>Gr.</b>	<b>Raeford, N.C. / East Carolina</b>
	81	Elyjah Mitchell	6-2	185	Fr.	Capital Heights, Md. / Fort Union Military Academy
<b>TE</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Ikeem Wright</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>So.</b>	<b>Norfolk, Va. / Lake Taylor HS</b>
	15	Jordan Griffin	6-7	237	R-Jr.	Hyattsville, Md. / Bowie State
<b>QB</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Otto Kuhns</b>	<b>6-4</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>Jr.</b>	<b>Carroll, Ohio / Eastern Illinois</b>
	11	Cameron Sapp	6-2	215	R-Jr.	Jacksonville, Fla. / Florida A&M
<b>WR-X</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>Collis Pride</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>R-Jr.</b>	<b>Dinwiddie, Va. / Bluefield State</b>
	84	Tavian Morris	6-0	180	R-So.	Prince George, Va. / Prince George HS
<b>H</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Tremayne Talbert</b>	<b>5-8</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>R-Jr.</b>	<b>Richmond, Va. / Highland Springs HS</b>
	24	Chris Butler	5-11	200	R-Jr.	Glen Allen, Va. / Glen Allen HS
<b>RB</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>Lex Henry</b>	<b>5-8</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>Jr.</b>	<b>Virginia Beach, Va. / Salem HS</b>
	13	Kevon King	5-11	200	So.	Chesapeake, Va. / Oscar Smith HS

**▼ NORFOLK STATE SPECIAL TEAMS DEPTH CHART**

<b>LS</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>Toby Willis</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>So.</b>	<b>Lancaster, S.C. / Lancaster HS</b>
	0	Sage Beuchert-Irvine	6-3	244	R-Jr.	Reston, Va. / South Lakes HS
<b>KO</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>Grandin Wilcox</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>So.</b>	<b>Ocala, Fla. / Vanguard HS</b>
	91	Carson Wilt	5-8	186	R-So.	Lake Worth, Fla. / Southern
<b>PK</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>Grandin Wilcox</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>So.</b>	<b>Ocala, Fla. / Vanguard HS</b>
	91	Carson Wilt	5-8	186	R-So.	Lake Worth, Fla. / Southern
<b>P</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>Noah Tracey</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>Fr.</b>	<b>Springwood, Australia / ProKick</b>
	61	Grandin Wilcox	5-11	220	So.	Ocala, Fla. / Vanguard HS
<b>H</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>Jason Wonodi</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>So.</b>	<b>Brockton, Mass. / Brockton HS</b>
	89	Noah Tracey	6-1	175	Fr.	Springwood, Australia / ProKick
<b>PR</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Tremayne Talbert</b>	<b>5-8</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>R-Jr.</b>	<b>Richmond, Va. / Highland Springs HS</b>
	12	Jaylen White	5-10	185	R-So.	Hampton, Va. / Phoebus HS
<b>KR</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Jaylen White</b>	<b>5-10</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>R-So.</b>	<b>Hampton, Va. / Phoebus HS</b>
	13	Kevon King	5-11	200	So.	Chesapeake, Va. / Oscar Smith HS





first nationally in blocked punts, second in third-down conversions, fifth in sacks and eighth in scoring offense. Southern finished the year ranked 20th in the FCS Top 25 Coaches Poll. Defensive end Jordan Lewis brought distinction to the Jaguars by winning the Buck Buchanan Award, given annually to the top defensive player in the Division I FCS. Lewis, who led the country in sacks and tackles for loss, also won SWAC Defensive Player of the Year honors.

Southern posted top-20 total offenses in 2015 and 2016 and a No. 13 mark in rushing offense en route to a SWAC West title in 2019. Odums' squads ranked in the top 10 in the FCS in punt return average four times, including leading the country in 2017, and also ranked top-10 in kickoff return average twice.

The 2013 season was a special one for Odums. His first full year as head coach at Southern culminated in a double-overtime SWAC championship game victory over Jackson State. The win made Odums just the second coach in Southern history to win a SWAC divisional title, outright SWAC championship and SWAC Coach of the Year honors in his first year as head coach.

The Jaguars went 9-4 that year, one of four seasons in which they won at least eight games on Odums' watch. They also won nine games and captured the divisional title the following year, 2014.

Seven players coached by Odums have signed with teams in the NFL or CFL. That list includes SWAC all-time leading rusher Lenard Tillery and Southern's all-time leader in receiving yards and return touchdowns, Willie Quinn. That list includes two-time All-*MEAC* defensive end De'Shaan Dixon, who signed as an undrafted free agent with the NFL's Jacksonville Jaguars last year after finishing his career as a Spartan.

Jaguar student-athletes have also performed well in the classroom. Fifty-seven Southern players earned Dean's List honors during the fall 2020 semester. Under Odums' guidance, Southern's APR score has steadily risen, reaching a multi-year rate of 952 in the last NCAA report of his tenure there.

Odums' other coaching stints include a pair of stops in the *MEAC*. He spent three seasons at North Carolina A&T

(2008-10), serving first as defensive line coach and special teams coordinator and then as defensive coordinator. The Aggies' special teams units thrived under his leadership, returning four kicks for touchdowns and blocking three kicks in 2010. That came on the heels of a 2009 season in which the Aggies blocked five kicks.

In 2010, Brandon Jackson became the first Aggie in five seasons to record more than 100 tackles in a season, finishing with 106. D'Vonte Graham led the *MEAC* in interceptions with seven. The year prior saw Jarrell Herring earn first-team All-*MEAC* honors at defensive end.

Odums' first stint in the *MEAC* came as defensive line coach at Bethune-Cookman from 2005-07. Over Odums' three-year span there, the Wildcats run defense was among the stingiest in the *MEAC*. In 2007, the Wildcats defense ranked third in the conference in rush defense and third in total defense. Odums also worked with the Wildcats special teams units and scouted opposing teams' special teams personnel.

Prior to arriving at Bethune-Cookman, Odums spent three seasons at Division II Clark Atlanta. He served as assistant head coach and defensive coordinator from 2002-03, then as interim head coach in 2004.

Odums' other stints at the Division I level include two years at Georgia Southern and one at Gardner-Webb. In his first year at GSU in 2000, Odums coached the linebackers while helping the Eagles win the Division I-AA (now FCS) national championship. He then mentored the defensive ends in his second year.

Odums played linebacker and quarterback at Crest High School in Boiling Springs, North Carolina, before competing collegiately at North Carolina Central. A defensive lineman at NCCU, Odums was a team captain and All-CIAA selection as a senior. He earned his bachelor's degree in physical education in 1997.

A member of the American Football Coaches Association, Odums participated in the NCAA Coaches Academy in Indianapolis in 2010.

Odums and his wife, Audrey, have two daughters, Jasmine and Jaiden.

▼ DAWSON ODUMS NORFOLK STATE TRENDS

Overall	10-17
Home	3-8
Away	7-9
Neutral	0-0
MEAC	4-6
Non-Conference	6-11
Current overall streak	Lost 1
Current home streak	Lost 8
Current conference streak	Won 1
Current road streak	Won 1
Current neutral site streak	---
Last win	9/23/23 at Towson (21-14)
Last loss	9/30/23 vs. NCAAT (28-26)
Day game (before 6 p.m.)	8-16
Night game (after 6 p.m.)	2-1
Won Coin Toss	4-11
Last Coin Toss	6-6
ABC	0-0
ESPN	0-0
ESPN2	0-0
ESPN3	0-3
ESPN+	6-12
CBS Sports Network	0-0
NFL Network	0-0
HBCU GO	0-0
HBCU League Pass+	0-0
FloSports Football	3-0
NEC Front Row	1-1
ACC Network Extra	0-1
August	0-0
September	4-5
October	4-0
November	0-3
December	0-0
vs. FCS Top-25 teams	0-0
vs. FCS non-ranked teams	8-11
vs. FBS	0-5
vs. Division II	1-1
On artificial turf	9-15
On natural grass	1-2
Scoring first	7-7
Opponent scores first	3-9
Leading after first quarter	6-5
Trailing after first quarter	3-9
Tied after first quarter	1-3
Leading at halftime	7-2
Trailing at halftime	2-14
Tied at halftime	1-1
Leading after third quarter	9-3
Trailing after third quarter	1-14
Tied after third quarter	0-0
Overtime	1-1
Double Overtime	0-1
Scoring 0-14 points	0-8
Scoring 15-27 points	2-8
Scoring 28-39 points	3-1
Scoring 40+ points	5-0
Allowing 0-14 points	2-0
Allowing 15-27 points	4-2
Allowing 28-39 points	2-7
Allowing 40+ points	1-9
With 100-yard rusher	2-3
Allow 100-yard rusher	2-9
With 300-yard passer	2-0
Allow 300-yard passer	2-1
Outgain opponent	8-2
Total offense 300-399 yards	2-9
Allow 300-399 yards total offense	5-8
Total offense 400+ yards	8-1
Allow 400+ yards total offense	3-10
No turnovers	2-4
Less than three turnovers	6-10
Three or more turnovers	2-2
No takeaways	1-4
Three or more takeaways	2-0
Commit fewer turnovers	5-4
Equal turnovers	0-5
Commit more turnovers	5-7
Control time of possession	9-8
Opponent controls time of possession	1-9
Games decided by 1-8 points	4-3
Games decided by 9-16 points	3-3
Games decided by 17-24 points	0-3
Games decided by 25+ points	2-8



▼ THE LAST TIME NORFOLK STATE AS A TEAM ...

**All Games**

Scored 40 or more points	45 at Howard [10/23/2021]
Scored 50 or more points	58 at Savannah State [9/24/2005]
Scored 60 or more points	61 vs. Bethune-Cookman [9/24/2005]
Scored 70 or more points	79 vs. Kittrell [1939]
Scored 80 or more points	86 vs. Friendship [1959]
Returned a punt return for a touchdown	at North Carolina A&T [11/3/2018]
Returned a kickoff for a touchdown	at James Madison [9/16/2017]
Returned an interception for a touchdown	84 yards at Delaware State [11/16/2019]
Returned a fumble for a touchdown	0 yards at Howard [10/23/2021]
Returned a blocked punt for a touchdown	2 yards at Delaware State [11/13/2021]
Scored on offensive 2-point conversion	vs. North Carolina A&T State [9/30/2023]
Scored on defensive 2-point conversion	at Morgan State [11/18/2017]
Failed offensive 2-point conversion attempt	vs. North Carolina A&T State [9/30/2023]
Scored on a safety	vs. North Carolina A&T State [9/30/2023]
Blocked a punt	vs. South Carolina State [11/20/2021]
Blocked a field goal	vs. Morgan State [10/29/2016]
Blocked an extra point	vs. North Carolina Central [11/12/2022]
Blocked a punt for touchdown	at Howard [10/23/2021]
Allowed an extra point blocked	at Delaware State [11/16/2019]
Allowed a punt blocked	vs. South Carolina State [11/20/2021]
Allowed a punt blocked for touchdown	at Toledo [9/4/2021]
Allowed two punt blocks for touchdowns	at Toledo [9/4/2021]
Allowed a field goal blocked	vs. South Carolina State [11/20/2021]
Allowed an extra point blocked	at Delaware State [11/13/2021]
Allowed 40 or more points	41 at Temple [9/16/2023]
Allowed 50 or more points	55 at Marshall [9/3/2022]
Allowed 60 or more points	63 at James Madison [9/10/2022]
Allowed a two-point conversion	at North Carolina Central [11/6/2021]
Allowed a safety	vs. Hampton [10/14/2017]
Allowed a punt return for a touchdown	vs. James Madison [9/8/2018]
Allowed a kickoff return for a touchdown	at North Carolina A&T [11/3/2018]
Allowed two kickoff returns for touchdowns	vs. Delaware State [9/29/2018]
Allowed interception return for touchdown	at North Carolina A&T [11/5/2022]
Allowed fumble return for touchdown	vs. St. Francis (PA) [9/24/2022]
Was held to 10 or fewer points	9 at Temple [9/16/2023]
Was held to 7 or fewer points	7 vs. Hampton [9/17/2022]
Was shut out	0 vs. James Madison [9/8/2018]
Was shut out by MEAC opponent	0 at North Carolina A&T [10/6/2016]
Was shut out in a half	First half vs. Delaware State [10/15/2022]
Was shut out in back-to-back games	vs. Virginia State; vs. Grambling State [1971]
Held an opponent to 10 or fewer points	7 at South Carolina State [9/22/2018]
Held an opponent to 7 or fewer points	7 at South Carolina State [9/22/2018]
Shut out an opponent	(48-0) vs. Morgan State [11/2/2019]
Held opponent scoreless at home	(48-0) vs. Morgan State [11/2/2019]
Shut out a conference opponent	(48-0) vs. Morgan State [11/2/2019]
Shut out a conference opponent at home	(48-0) vs. Morgan State [11/2/2019]
Shut out by an opponent	0 at Florida A&M [10/6/2018]
Shut out by an opponent at home	(17-0) vs. Liberty [9/6/2014]
	(17-0) vs. James Madison [9/8/2018]
Shut out an opponent in a half	First half at Delaware State [11/13/2021]
Shut out by a conference opponent	(17-0) at Florida A&M [10/6/2018]
Shut out by a conference opponent at home	(52-0) vs. Hampton [10/18/2003]
Shut out by a conference opponent on the road	(17-0) at Florida A&M [10/6/2018]
Back-to-back shut outs	vs. Elizabeth City State; at Bowie State [1984]
Overtime game	at North Carolina Central, loss, 38-36, 2OT [11/6/2021]
Come-from-behind win (trailing the 4th Q)	at South Carolina State, [35-28], won 42-38 [11/19/2022]

**Total Offense**

Had 400 yards or more total offense	443 at Towson [9/23/23]
Had 500 yards or more total offense	544 vs. Morgan State [10/30/2021]
Had 600 yards or more total offense	675 vs. Elizabeth City State [9/18/2021]
Consecutive games with 500-plus yards of offense	536 at Howard; 544 vs. Morgan State [2021]
Was held to 300 or fewer yards total offense	240 at Temple [9/16/2023]
Was held to 200 or fewer yards total offense	114 at Marshall [9/3/2022]
Was held to 100 or fewer yards total offense	29 vs. James Madison [9/8/2018]
Opponent held to under 200 total yards	184 vs. Virginia-Lynchburg [10/16/2021]
Opponent had 400 yards or more total offense	435 at Hampton [9/9/2023]
Opponent had 500 yards or more total offense	532 at Temple [9/16/2023]
Opponent had 600 yards or more total offense	612 at Marshall [9/3/2022]

**Rushing Yards**

Had a 100-yard rusher	114 vs. Howard [10/29/2022]
Had a 200-yard rusher	217 at North Carolina Central [11/6/2021]
Had a 300-yard rusher	318 vs. Livingstone [11/12/1983]
Had 2 100-yard rushers in same game	vs. Savannah State [11/3/2012]
Had 3 100-yard rushers in same game	vs. Bethune-Cookman [9/24/2005]
Had 200 or more rushing yards	212 at Sacred Heart [10/1/2022]
Had 300 or more rushing yards	350 at Towson [9/23/23]
Had 400 or more rushing yards	471 vs. Bethune-Cookman [9/24/2005]
Was held to 100 or fewer rushing yards	93 vs. Delaware State [10/15/2022]
Was held to 50 or fewer rushing yards	9 at James Madison [9/10/2022]

**2023 NORFOLK STATE FOOTBALL GAME NOTES**

Opponent held to under 50 rushing yards	42 vs. Virginia-Lynchburg [10/16/2021]
Opponent held to under 100 rushing yards	92 vs. Hampton [9/17/2022]
Opponent had 250 or more rushing yards	275 vs. North Carolina A&T State [9/30/2023]
Opponent had 300 or more rushing yards	316 vs. Virginia State [9/2/2023]
Had 3 or more rushing touchdowns	3 vs. North Carolina Central [11/12/2022]
Had 4 or more rushing touchdowns	4 at Howard [10/23/2021]
Had 5 or more rushing touchdowns	5 at North Carolina Central [11/6/2021]
Had 6 or more rushing touchdowns	6 vs. Bethune-Cookman [9/24/2005]
Had 60 or more rushes	80 vs. Bethune-Cookman [9/24/2005]
Had 50 or more rushes	57 at North Carolina Central [11/6/2021]
Was held without a rushing touchdown	vs. North Carolina A&T State [9/30/2023]
Was held without a rushing touchdown in consec. games	at James Madison [9/10/2022] and vs. Hampton [9/17/2022]
Did not allow a rushing touchdown	0 vs. Virginia-Lynchburg [10/16/2021]
Did not allow a rushing touchdown in consec. games	at South Carolina State and vs. Delaware State [2018]

**Passing Yards**

Had 250 or more passing yards	294 at Hampton [10/2/2021]
Had 300 or more passing yards	368 vs. Morgan State [10/30/2021]
Had 400 or more passing yards	476 vs. Morgan State [11/17/2018]
Had 500 or more passing yards	516 vs. Winston-Salem State [10/8/1994]
Was held to 150 or fewer passing yards	93 at Towson [9/23/2023]
Was held to 100 or fewer passing yards	93 at Towson [9/23/2023]
Was held to 50 or fewer passing yards	48 at James Madison [9/16/2017]
Had 3 or more passing touchdowns	3 vs. Morgan State [10/30/2021]
Had 4 or more passing touchdowns	4 at Howard [10/12/2019]
Had 5 or more passing touchdowns	5 vs. at South Carolina State [11/19/2022]
Had 6 or more passing touchdowns	7 vs. Winston-Salem State [10/8/1994]
Was held without a passing touchdown	at Marshall [9/3/2022]
Was held without a passing touchdown in consec. games	at Savannah State and vs. North Carolina Central [2018]
Did not allow a passing touchdown in consec. game	at Delaware State and vs. South Carolina State [2019]
Opponent held to under 50 yards passing	16 vs. Savannah State [11/7/2015]
Allowed 100 or fewer passing yards	98 vs. North Carolina A&T State [9/30/2023]
Allowed 200 or fewer passing yards	98 vs. North Carolina A&T State [9/30/2023]
Allowed 150 or fewer passing yards	98 vs. North Carolina A&T State [9/30/2023]
Did not allow a passing touchdown	0 vs. Virginia-Lynchburg [10/16/2021]
Allowed 3 or more passing touchdowns	3 at South Carolina State [11/19/2022]
Allowed 4 or more passing touchdowns	4 vs. North Carolina Central [11/12/2022]
Allowed 5 or more passing touchdowns	5 at West Virginia [9/10/2011]

**Receiving Yards**

Had 100-yard receiver	141 vs. James Madison [9/10/2022]
Had 200-yard receiver	213 vs. Bethune-Cookman [9/26/2009]
Had two 100-yard receivers	133 & 109 at Howard [10/12/2019]
Had a player catch 2 touchdowns - same game	2 vs. Elizabeth City State [9/18/2021]
Had a player catch 3 touchdowns - same game	3 at Bethune-Cookman [9/24/2015]
Had eight-plus players catch passes	9 vs. Delaware State [10/15/2022]

**First Downs**

Had 25 or more first downs	(17-0) at Florida A&M [10/6/2018]
Had 30 or more first downs	38 vs. Elizabeth City State [9/18/2021]
Had 35 or more first downs	38 vs. Elizabeth City State [9/18/2021]
Had 15 or fewer first downs	15 at North Carolina Central [11/12/2022]
Had 10 or fewer first downs	9 vs. Howard [10/29/2022]
Had 5 or fewer first downs	5 at Marshall [9/3/2022]
Allowed 20 or more first downs	22 vs. Virginia State [9/2/2023]
Allowed 25 or more first downs	27 at Temple [9/16/2023]
Allowed 30 or more first downs	33 at Marshall [9/3/2022]
Allowed 15 or fewer first downs	15 vs. North Carolina A&T State [9/30/2023]
Allowed 10 or fewer first downs	10 vs. Virginia-Lynchburg [10/16/2021]

**Total Defense**

Did not commit a turnover	0 vs. North Carolina A&T State [9/30/2023]
Committed four-plus turnovers	4 at North Carolina A&T [11/5/2022]
Scored 2 defensive touchdowns in same game	vs. Delaware State [9/29/2018]
Intercepted three passes	3 at Hampton [10/2/2021]
Intercepted four-plus passes	5 vs. Morgan State [11/2/2019]
Recovered three-plus fumbles	4 vs. Virginia State [9/7/2019]
Forced five turnovers	5 interceptions vs. Morgan State [11/2/2019]

**Miscellaneous**

Had 100 penalty yards	100 vs. Morgan State [11/2/2019]
Had 10 or more penalties	10 vs. St. Francis [9/24/2022]
Had 3 or fewer penalties	3 at North Carolina A&T [11/5/2022]
Scored 21+ points in a quarter	28 (first quarter) vs. Virginia-Lynchburg [10/16/2021]
Scored 28+ points in a half	31 (second half) at Howard [10/23/2021]
Played in an overtime game	at North Carolina Central [11/6/2021]
Played a two-overtime game	at North Carolina Central [11/6/2021]
Played in a four-overtime game	vs. Bethune-Cookman [9/24/2005]
Had 35:00 or more time of possession	36:54 at Towson [9/23/2023]
Had 25:00 or less of time of possession	22:34 vs. Howard [10/29/2022]



# GAME ONE

<b>VIRGINIA STATE</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>NORFOLK STATE</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>24</b>

Sept. 2 | Dick Price Stadium | Norfolk, Virginia | 2:00 p.m. | Att. 21,640



## TEAM STATISTICS

	<b>VSU</b>	<b>NSU</b>
<b>FIRST DOWNS</b>		
Total	22	17
Rushing	14	7
Passing	7	6
Penalty	1	4
<b>RUSHING</b>		
Total (Net)	316	138
Attempts	46	39
Avg. Per Rush	6.9	3.5
Rushing TDs	3	1
Yds. Gained	349	170
Yds. Lost	33	32
<b>PASSING</b>		
Total (Net)	171	166
Comp.-Att.-Int.	16-23-0	10-28-1
Avg. / Att.	7.4	5.9
Avg. / Comp.	10.7	16.6
TDs	1	2
<b>TOTAL OFFENSE</b>		
Yards	487	304
Plays	69	67
Avg. / Play	7.1	4.5
Fumbles - Lost	4-2	1-1
Penalties - Yds.	11-75	9-58
<b>PUNTING</b>		
Punts - Yds.	4-146	5-177
Avg. / Punt	36.5	35.4
Inside 20	0	1
50+ Yds.	0	0
Touchbacks	1	0
Fair Catch	0	1
<b>KICKOFFS</b>		
Total - Yds.	5-271	5-299
Avg. Yds. / Kickoff	54.2	59.8
Touchbacks	0	0
<b>RETURNS</b>		
Punt: Total - Yds. - TDs	0-0-0	1-2-0
Punt: Avg. / Return	0	2.0
Kickoff: Total - Yds. - TDs	4-39-0	4-117-0
Kickoff: Avg. / Return	9.8	29.3
INT: Total - Yds. - TDs	1-27-0	0-0-0
Fumble: Total - Yds. - TDs	1-77-1	0-0-0
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>		
Misc. Yards	0	0
Poss. Time	29:09	26:41
3rd. Down Conv.	5 of 13	5 of 16
4th. Down Conversions	1 of 3	1 of 2
Red-Zone: Scores - Chances	2-3	4-7
Sacks: Total - Yds.	1-4	2-16
PAT: Total - Made	3-3	3-3
2PT Conversion: Total - Made	0-1	0-0
Field Goals: Total - Made	0-0	1-2

### Game Notes

- Saturday's game was the first time these two teams met since 2019
- With the win, Virginia State extended the series lead to 31-22-2 all time
- The NSU loss halted the Spartans' win streak in the series at two games
- Attendance for the Labor Day Classic was announced at 21,640
- Norfolk State suffered its first loss to VSU since 2017

## OPPORTUNITIES FALL SHORT IN NSU'S HOME OPENER

**NORFOLK, Va.** | The Norfolk State University football team had two opportunities in the final minutes to upend Virginia State in the annual Labor Day Classic on Saturday afternoon. However, both opportunities fell just short as the Trojans escaped with a 33-24 victory at William "Dick" Price Stadium.

"I want to apologize to our fans," Norfolk State head coach Dawson Odums said. "We have to do a better job in preparing our team. You make the biggest adjustments from Week 1 to Week 2 and we have to be ready to go because we have another game next week."

Norfolk State (0-1) started out of the gate quickly, taking advantage of a Virginia State turnover.

A fumble by Zyshawn White-Muhamed gave NSU the ball at the Trojans 36. Six plays later, Lex Henry busted through the middle for the 4-yard touchdown score as the Spartans grabbed a quick 7-0 lead with 12:11 remaining in the opening quarter.

However, the lead was short lived as Upton Bailey went 80 yards for the score, tying the game at 7 with 11:34 left.

On NSU's next drive, the Spartans moved the ball to the VSU 18, but Grandin Willcox's 35-yard field goal attempt was wide left, keeping the score tied at 7.

After a VSU punt, Norfolk State went 45 yards in 10 plays, capped by a 26-yard field goal by Willcox as the Spartans grabbed the 10-7 lead with 4:09 remaining in the first period.

On the ensuing kick, Kymani Clarke fumbled the ball and was recovered by AJ Richardson at the VSU 13.

Norfolk State cashed the turnover into seven points as Otto Kuhns connected with Henry for 13 yards as the Spartans pushed the lead to 17-7 with 2:37 left.

Virginia State (1-0) trimmed the margin to 17-13 after Clarke scored a 16-yard touchdown run, capping an 8-play, 90-yard drive with 14:09 remaining in the first half.

After a NSU punt, the Trojans grabbed their first lead of the day (20-17) with just over 10 minutes to play when Malik Hunter caught a 16-yard touchdown pass from Steve Williams.

Norfolk State took the opening kickoff of the second half and went 57 yards in 13 plays with Andre Pegues hauling in a 17-yard touchdown pass from Kuhns, putting the Spartans back on top, 24-20 with 8:45 left in the third.

The scored remained 24-20 until early in the fourth when Williams scored on a 2-yard touchdown run, capping an 11-play, 66-yard drive with 13:21 left.

The Trojans tried to run out the clock, but were forced to punt the football as NSU set up shop of its own 39 with 2:49 remaining.

Norfolk State pushed the ball into the Red Zone and on fourth-and-1 from the VSU 4, Kuhns was stopped, turning the ball over to Virginia State with just 59 seconds left.

The Spartans burned their final two timeouts and with six seconds remaining, VSU called a timeout. Instead of punting the football, the Trojans elected to try to run out of the clock as Bailey was stopped short of the first down marker with 1 second left, turning the ball back over to the Spartans with an opportunity to potentially tie the game.

But just when it appeared the game was headed to overtime, the snap of the field goal attempt was high as Dante Clark picked up the loose ball and sprinted 77 yards into the end zone as time expired.

## SCORING SUMMARY

Team	Qrt/Time	Scoring Play	Conversion	Plays-Yds.-TOP	Score
NSU	1st/12:11	Henry 3 yd run	Willcox kick	5-36-2:39	0-7
VSU	1st/11:34	Bailey 80 yd run	Miller kick	2-85-00:33	7-7
NSU	1st/04:09	Willcox 26 yd held goal	---	9-7-03:08	7-10
NSU	1st/02:37	Henry 13 yd pass from Kuhns	Willcox kick	3-13-01:25	7-17
VSU	2nd/14:09	Clarke 16 yd run	run failed	7-90-03:28	13-17
VSU	2nd/10:02	Hunter 16 yd pass from Williams	Ward kick	6-48-00:00	20-17
NSU	3rd/08:45	Pegues 17 yd pass from Kuhns	Willcox kick	12-57-06:05	20-24
VSU	4th/13:21	Williams 2 yd run	Ward kick	11-66-04:19	27-24
VSU	4th/00:00	Clark 77 yd fumble recovery	---	---	33-24

## STATISTICAL LEADERS

### Norfolk State

Rushing	Att.	Yds.	Lg.	Avg.
Henry	20	71	10	3.6
Wonodi	1	30	30	30.0
Kuhns	8	28	13	3.5
King	7	27	7	3.9
Lennon	1	1	1	1.0
Biles-Walker	1	-2	0	-2.0
Wilt	1	-17	0	-17.0

Passing	C-A-I	Yds.	TD	Lg.	Sack
Kuhns	10-27-1	166	2	42	1
Moore	0-1-0	0	0	0	0

Receiving	Att.	Yds.	TD	Lg.
Pegues	3	83	1	36
Moore	4	63	0	42
Henry	2	11	1	13
Morris	1	9	0	9
Talbert	0	0	0	0
Biles-Walker	0	0	0	0
White	0	0	0	0
Homuth	0	0	0	0

### Virginia State

Rushing	Att.	Yds.	Lg.	Avg.
Bailey	18	184	80	10.2
Clarke	12	89	16	7.4
White-Muhamed	1	24	24	24.0
Williams	12	21	19	1.8
Ray	2	4	5	2.0
Davis	1	-6	0	-6.0

Passing	C-A-I	Yds.	TD	Lg.	Sack
Williams	13-19-0	133	1	35	1
Davis	3-4-0	38	0	23	1

Receiving	Att.	Yds.	TD	Lg.
Ray	3	49	0	35
Hunter	4	35	1	16
White-Muhamed	1	23	0	23
Porter	2	15	0	10
Jackson	2	11	0	11
Clarke	1	6	0	6
Bailey	2	4	0	4
Dean	1	4	0	4



# GAME THREE

<b>NORFOLK STATE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>TEMPLE</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>41</b>

Sept. 16 | Lincoln Financial Field | Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | 2:00 p.m. | Att. 10,932



## TEAM STATISTICS

	NSU	TEMPLE
<b>FIRST DOWNS</b>		
Total	15	27
Rushing	7	14
Passing	5	11
Penalty	3	2
<b>RUSHING</b>		
Total (Net)	130	290
Attempts	39	41
Avg. Per Rush	3.3	7.1
Rushing TDs	0	4
Yds. Gained	165	296
Yds. Lost	35	6
<b>PASSING</b>		
Total (Net)	110	242
Comp.-Att.-Int.	12-22-0	15-23-0
Avg. / Att.	5.0	10.5
Avg. / Comp.	9.2	16.1
TDs	1	1
<b>TOTAL OFFENSE</b>		
Yards	240	532
Plays	61	64
Avg. / Play	3.9	8.3
Fumbles - Lost	2-0	1-1
Penalties - Yds.	4-36	9-70
<b>PUNTING</b>		
Punts - Yds.	5-194	0-0
Avg. / Punt	38.8	0
Inside 20	1	0
50+ Yds.	1	0
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair Catch	1	0
<b>KICKOFFS</b>		
Total - Yds.	2-121	9-556
Avg. Yds. / Kickoff	60.5	61.8
Touchbacks	0	4
<b>RETURNS</b>		
Punt: Total - Yds. - TDs	0-0-0	3-32-0
Punt: Avg. / Return	0	10.7
Kickoff: Total - Yds. - TDs	3-43-0	2-37-0
Kickoff: Avg. / Return	14.3	18.5
INT: Total - Yds. - TDs	0-0-0	0-0-0
Fumble: Total - Yds. - TDs	0-0-0	0-0-0
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>		
Misc. Yards	0	0
Pass. Time	30:24	29:36
3rd. Down Conv.	4 of 14	4 of 10
4th. Down Conversions	1 of 2	4 of 4
Red-Zone: Scores - Chances	1-3	5-6
Sacks: Total - Yds.	0-0	1-5
PAT: Total - Made	1-1	5-5
2PT Conversion: Total - Made	0-0	0-0
Field Goals: Total - Made	0-2	2-3

### Game Notes

- Saturday's game marked the first time Norfolk State and Temple have played
- The Spartans failed to score on their opening drive for the first time this season
- Norfolk State allowed an opening score on the first drive for the first time this season
- NSU continued to seek its first Group of Five victory
- The Spartans are 0-10 all-time against members of the Group of Five
- Norfolk State played three quarterbacks — Otto Kuhns (started), Cameron Sapp and Ruben Lee
- The Owls played two quarterbacks — E.J. Warner (started) and Quincy Patterson
- NSU picked up its first, first down after Layton Jordan was called for targeting
- Through three games, the NSU defense has forced five fumbles and two interceptions

## BIG FIRST QUARTER LEADS TEMPLE PAST NORFOLK STATE

**PHILADELPHIA, Pa.** | The Norfolk State University football team surrendered 14 first-quarter points and could not recover as Temple picked up its second win of the season with a 41-9 victory over the Spartans on Saturday afternoon at Lincoln Financial Field.

"We played a very tough opponent today in a very good stadium," Norfolk State head coach Dawson Odums said. "We are improving from week-to-week and continuing to see the growth in our team. That's all we can ask for and now we turn our attention to Towson next week."

Temple (2-1) received the opening kickoff and marched 80-yards in 9 plays as the Owls quickly grabbed a 7-0 lead with 11:37 left in the first quarter.

On the Owls' opening drive, E.J. Warner completed a third down pass to Zae Baines for 32 yards and four plays later, Warner found Jaquez Smith for 15 yards down the left sideline for the score.

The Owls struck again right before the end of the opening period, converting a 4th-and-play from 50 as Warner connected with Darvon Hubbard for 32 yards. Temple completed the 8-play, 70-yard drive when Quincy Patterson plunged in from the 1 as the Owls extended the advantage to 14-0 with 1:09 remaining.

Norfolk State (1-2) went to the ground game late in the first as Xzavion Evans rushed for 22, 8 and 7 yards as the Spartans ended the quarter strong, moving the football to the Temple 45.

NSU took more than five minutes off the clock, going 82 yards in 13 plays as Otto Kuhns completed a 2-yard touchdown pass to Aaron Moore, closing the gap to 14-7 with 10:23 remaining in the half.

Back came Temple on its next offensive series as Smith broke free for a 51-yard touchdown run, pushing the margin to 21-7 with nine minutes left.

After a Norfolk State punt, the Owls marched 58 yards in five plays with Hubbard scoring on a 21-yard touchdown run, extending the lead to 28-7 with 5:23 remaining.

The Spartans moved the ball to the Temple 9 and had to settle for a 33-yard field goal attempt by Grandin Willcox. However, Willcox's kick banged off the right upright, keeping the Owls lead, 28-7 with 59 seconds left.

The Owls moved the football by using the two-minute drill but came away empty-handed as Camden Price's 49-yard field goal attempt was short as Temple went into the break with a 28-7 advantage.

After a punt to begin the third quarter, Temple got a 38-yard field by Price to complete an 8-play, 65-yard drive as the Owls pushed the lead to 31-7 with just over 10 minutes to play.

Temple added to the lead, completing a 12-play, 48-yard drive, as Patterson scored on a two-yard touchdown run as the Owls stretched their advantage to 38-7 with 3:24 left in the third.

Norfolk State put together a time-consuming drive but came away with no points as Kuhns' pass to Mohamad Nyangamukenga on fourth day was incomplete as the Spartans turned the ball over on downs at the Temple 1.

However, two plays later, the Owls were called for holding in the endzone. As a result, the Spartans picked up a safety as Temple continued to lead, 38-9, with 12:42 remaining.

The Owls tacked on one more score, a 36-yard field goal by Price, with just under two minutes remaining.

The Norfolk State defense sealed the victory with less than two minutes remaining when Joseph White picked off Zellous at the HU 19. The Spartans ran out the clock to give NSU the victory.

## SCORING SUMMARY

Team	Qrt/Time	Scoring Play	Conversion	Plays-Yds.-TOP	Score
TU	1st/11:37	Smith 15 yd pass from Warner	Price kick	9-80-3:23	7-0
TU	1st/1:09	Patterson 1 yd run	Price kick	8-70-3:17	14-0
NSU	2nd/10:23	Moore 2 yd pass from Kuhns	Willcox kick	13-82-5:39	14-7
TU	2nd/9:00	Smith 51 yd run	Price kick	3-74-1:17	21-7
TU	2nd/5:23	Hubbard 21 yd run	Price kick	5-58-2:19	28-7
TU	3rd/10:02	Price 38 yd field goal	---	8-65-3:49	31-7
TU	3rd/3:24	Patterson 2 yd run	Price kick	12/48/5:30	38-7
NSU	4th/12:42	Safety	---	---	38-9
TU	4th/1:59	Price 36 yd field goal	---	10-50-6:21	41-9

## STATISTICAL LEADERS

### ► Norfolk State

Rushing	Att.	Yds.	Lg.	Avg.
Evans	13	59	22	4.5
White	4	26	14	6.5
Kuhns	6	19	22	3.2
King	7	17	8	2.4
Henry	2	12	8	6.0
Lee	1	6	6	6.0
Nyangamukenga	3	5	4	1.7
Lennon	2	4	4	2.0
TEAM	1	-18	0	-18.0

Passing	C-A-I	Yds.	TD	Lg.	Sack
Kuhns	12-21-0	110	1	24	1
Sapp	0-1-0	0	0	0	0

Receiving	Att.	Yds.	TD	Lg.
Henry	1	24	0	24
Moore	2	23	1	21
Evans	3	17	0	10
Butler	1	13	0	13
Morris	1	13	0	13
Peages	1	9	0	9
Perkins	1	5	0	5
Talbert	1	4	0	4
Mitchell	1	2	0	2
White	0	0	0	0
Nyangamukenga	0	0	0	0

### ► Temple

Rushing	Att.	Yds.	Lg.	Avg.
Smith	15	142	51	9.5
Hubbard	4	57	21	14.3
Wilson Jr.	6	38	20	6.3
Warner	3	24	9	8.0
Saydee	6	14	5	2.3
Patterson	5	13	9	2.6
Clark	1	3	3	3.0
Anderson Jr.	1	-1	0	-1.0

Passing	C-A-I	Yds.	TD	Lg.	Sack
Warner	14-22-0	238	1	39	0
Patterson	1-1-4	0	0	4	0

Receiving	Att.	Yds.	TD	Lg.
Anderson Jr.	5	79	0	39
Baines	2	49	0	32
Wright	3	47	0	24
Hubbard	1	32	0	32
Martin-Robinson	1	19	0	19
Smith	1	15	1	15
Wilson Jr.	1	4	0	4
Clark	1	-3	0	0



## GAME FIVE

<b>NCAT</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Norfolk State</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>26</b>

Sept. 30 | William "Dick" Price Stadium | Norfolk, Virginia | 2:00 p.m. | Att. 12,894



### TEAM STATISTICS

	<b>NSU</b>	<b>NCAT</b>
<b>FIRST DOWNS</b>		
Total	15	21
Rushing	10	12
Passing	4	9
Penalty	1	0
<b>RUSHING</b>		
Total (Net)	275	230
Attempts	41	45
Avg. Per Rush	6.7	5.1
Rushing TDs	4	0
Yds. Gained	305	242
Yds. Lost	30	12
<b>PASSING</b>		
Total (Net)	98	165
Comp.-Att.-Int.	6-10-1	15-30-0
Avg. / Att.	9.8	5.5
Avg. / Comp.	16.3	11.0
TDs	0	3
<b>TOTAL OFFENSE</b>		
Yards	373	395
Plays	51	75
Avg. / Play	7.3	5.3
Fumbles - Lost	3-1	3-1
Penalties - Yds.	4-17	5-45
<b>PUNTING</b>		
Punts - Yds.	4-162	6-217
Avg. / Punt	40.5	36.2
Inside 20	1	1
50+ Yds.	0	0
Touchbacks	1	0
Fair Catch	1	1
<b>KICKOFFS</b>		
Total - Yds.	6-331	5-271
Avg. Yds. / Kickoff	55.2	54.2
Touchbacks	1	0
<b>RETURNS</b>		
Punt: Total - Yds. - TDs	1-0-0	0-0-0
Punt: Avg. / Return	0.0	0
Kickoff: Total - Yds. - TDs	4-94-0	5-95-0
Kickoff: Avg. / Return	23.5	19.0
INT: Total - Yds. - TDs	0-0-0	1-0-0
Fumble: Total - Yds. - TDs	0-0-0	0-0-0
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>		
Misc. Yards	0	0
Pass. Time	25:36	34:24
3rd. Down Conv.	2 of 9	6 of 17
4th. Down Conversions	1 of 1	2 of 2
Red-Zone: Scores - Chances	1-2	4-5
Sacks: Total - Yds.	3-7	1-9
PAT: Total - Made	4-4	1-1
2PT Conversion: Total - Made	0-0	1-2
Field Goals: Total - Made	0-0	1-2

### ► Game Notes

• Saturday was the 46th meeting between NSU and North Carolina A&T State

• The Aggies now lead the all-time series 35-9

• Joseph White recorded his second interception of the season on Saturday. His other pick came against Hampton, sealing that victory.

• Otto Kuhns has thrown a touchdown pass in 10 straight games, dating back to the 2022 season

• The first-quarter safety was the Spartans' second safety forced this season, the other coming against Temple

• Three Spartans recorded six tackles each -- R.J. Coles, Miguel Rijo, and Grant Gaffney

• Andre Pegues caught a team-high five passes for 58 yards and one touchdown

## SPARTANS' COMEBACK AGAINST NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE FALLS SHORT ON LATE TWO-POINT CONVERSION ATTEMPT

**NORFOLK, Va.** | A valiant fourth-quarter comeback came up just short for the Norfolk State football team on Saturday, as the Spartans (2-3) dropped a home contest to North Carolina A&T State (1-3) 28-26 at William "Dick" Price Stadium.

"I thought these guys weathered the storm," NSU head coach Dawson Odums said. "They battled back, made plays to get back in the game, but it takes so much out of you to climb that hill. I told the guys that nobody can question their effort."

The Aggies struck first, thanks to an explosive run play. On the second play from scrimmage, Kevin White broke free for a 65-yard touchdown score up the middle of the field.

Otto Kuhns found Andre Pegues for an 18-yard gain on the Spartans' first offensive play of the afternoon, but the drive stalled from there.

Noah Tracey pinned the Aggies at their own five-yard line with a booming punt on the following sequence. The play proved crucial to the Spartans' momentum, as a botched snap moments later resulted in a safety, putting NSU on the board.

Norfolk State received great field position on its next drive, converting on a third-and-17 play with a deep Chris Butler reception. Grandin Willcox knocked a 28-yard field goal attempt through the uprights, trimming NCAT's lead to 7-6.

Another big play kept the Aggies in front, however. Kenji Christian found a gap in the Spartan defense, rushing for a 34-yard touchdown, his first of the afternoon.

Jaylen White got the Spartans moving on their next offensive possession, tallying multiple first down runs to enter Aggie territory. Willcox missed the ensuing field goal attempt after the NCAT defensive mounted a drive-ending stop.

Norfolk State's defense got the Spartans the ball back swiftly, but a Kuhns fumble near midfield gave A&T prime field position.

NSU would get one more chance to score in the second quarter, and this time the Spartans would capitalize. After White put together several strong runs, Kuhns scrambled out of trouble to find Pegues in the back of the end zone.

The highlight-worthy play cut North Carolina A&T's lead to 14-12 at the half.

The Aggies got off to a quick start in the third quarter, forcing a three-and-out before White broke free for a 40-yard touchdown run.

The teams traded three-and-outs on three consecutive possessions, until the Aggies made some gains through the air late in the period. Christian punched the score in at the goal line, pushing NCAT ahead 28-12.

With the Aggies knocking at the door once again a few minutes later, the Spartans looked to be on their last breath. Joseph White gave NSU a crucial gasp of air, however, picking off a tipped pass deep in NSU territory. Xzavien Evans got to work on the ground, picking up a first down on third and short. Kevon King took the reins from there, moving the Spartans into enemy territory with a tough run and a reception from a screen pass a few plays later.

### SCORING SUMMARY

Team	Qrt/Time	Scoring Play	Conversion	Plays-Yds.-TOP	Score
NCAT	1st/14:14	White, 65 yd run	Owen kick	2-65-0-41	0-7
NSU	1st/13:05	0 yd safety			2-7
NSU	1st/7:49	Willcox 28 yd kick		10/39/5:11	5-7
NCAT	1st/7:49	Christian 34 yd run	Daffer kick	5/48/2:06	5-14
NSU	2nd/0:35	Pegues 16 yd rec	Willcox kick	12/80/4:57	12-14
NCAT	3rd/11:13	White 40 yd run	Daffer kick	4/52/2:15	12-21
NCAT	3rd/4:43	Christian 1 yd run	Daffer kick	6/56/2:11	12-28
NSU	4th/8:08	Talbert 7 yd run	2PC- GOOD	12/96/5:23	20-28
NSU	4th/3:07	Morris 10 yd rec	2PC- NO GOOD	8/60/2:24	26-28

### STATISTICAL LEADERS

#### ► Norfolk State

Rushing	Att.	Yds.	Lg.	Avg.
Evans	17	81	11	4.8
White	10	64	16	6.1
Kuhns	8	51	37	5.9
King	10	45	41	12
Perkins	0	0	0	0.0

Passing	C-A-I	Yds.	TD	Lg.	Sack
Kuhns	15-30-0	165	3	29	3

Receiving	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Lg.
Pegues	5	58	1	18
Butler	1	29	0	29
Talbert	3	24	1	13
Homuth	2	17	0	22
King	1	15	0	15
Perkins	2	12	0	10
Morris	1	10	1	10
Wonodi	0	0	0	0

#### ► North Carolina A&T State

Rushing	Att.	Yds.	Lg.	Avg.
Christian	15	118	11	4.8
White	11	115	65	10.5
Graves	8	43	21	5.4
Cooke	1	6	6	6.0
Blizzard	2	5	4	2.5

Passing	C-A-I	Yds.	TD	Lg.	Sack
White	6-10-1	98	0	38	1

Receiving	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Lg.
Jones	3	76	0	38
Caldwell	1	15	0	15
Christian	1	4	0	4
Wilds-Lawing	1	3	0	3
Graves	0	0	0	0





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Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Grandin Willcox	3-7	42.9	0-0	2-3	1-3	0-1	0-0	33	0
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>3-4</b>	<b>75.0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>2-2</b>	<b>0-1</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0</b>

Scoring

Player	td	fg	PAT					dxp	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass				
Grandin Willcox	-	3-7	12-12	-	-	-	-	-	-	21
Aaron Moore	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Tremayne Talbert	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	14
Lex Henry	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Andre Pegues	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Tavian Morris	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Otto Kuhns	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	6
Jaylen White	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Jayden Homuth	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Mohamed Nyanamukenga	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3-7</b>	<b>12-12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>111</b>	
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>3-4</b>	<b>16-17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>139</b>	

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
Norfolk St.	36	21	31	23	0	111
Opponents	35	43	31	30	0	139

Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Noah Tracey	24	894	37.3	54	0	6	7	2	0
Grandin Willcox	2	55	27.5	43	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>949</b>	<b>36.5</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>795</b>	<b>39.8</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Tremayne Talbert	1	2	2.0	0	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Jaylen White	11	251	22.8	0	48
Joshua Remberth	5	83	16.6	0	35
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>20.9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>44</b>

All Purpose

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Jaylen White	5	107	0	0	251	0	358	71.6
Xzavion Evans	4	278	17	0	0	0	295	73.8
Andre Pegues	5	0	212	0	0	0	212	42.4
Kevon King	4	182	22	0	0	0	204	51.0
Otto Kuhns	5	179	0	0	0	0	179	35.8
Aaron Moore	4	0	172	0	0	0	172	43.0
Lex Henry	5	124	38	0	0	0	162	32.4
Jayden Homuth	5	0	110	0	0	0	110	22.0
Mohamed Nyanamukenga	5	94	8	0	0	0	102	20.4
Joshua Remberth	4	0	9	0	83	0	92	23.0
Jason Wonodi	5	64	0	0	0	0	64	12.8
Tremayne Talbert	5	0	41	2	0	0	43	8.6
Chris Butler	5	0	42	0	0	0	42	8.4
Tavian Morris	5	0	32	0	0	0	32	6.4
Gregory Perkins	5	0	17	0	0	0	17	3.4
Joseph White	5	0	0	0	0	14	14	2.8
Elyjah Mitchell	3	0	13	0	0	0	13	4.3
Jordin Lennon	3	10	0	0	0	0	10	3.3
Ruben Lee	2	6	0	0	0	0	6	3.0
Terron Mallory	5	0	0	0	0	4	4	0.8
Taron Biles-Walker	4	-2	0	0	0	0	-2	-0.5
Carson Wilt	2	-17	0	0	0	0	-17	-8.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>989</b>	<b>733</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2076</b>	<b>415.2</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1245</b>	<b>899</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>2516</b>	<b>503.2</b>

Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Otto Kuhns	5	148	179	678	857	171.4
Xzavion Evans	4	49	278	0	278	69.5
Kevon King	4	35	182	0	182	45.5
Lex Henry	5	38	124	0	124	24.8
Jaylen White	5	19	107	0	107	21.4
Mohamed Nyanamukenga	5	25	94	0	94	18.8
Jason Wonodi	5	3	64	0	64	12.8
Aaron Moore	4	2	0	55	55	13.8
Jordin Lennon	3	5	10	0	10	3.3
Ruben Lee	2	1	6	0	6	3.0
Taron Biles-Walker	4	1	-2	0	-2	-0.5
Carson Wilt	2	1	-17	0	-17	-8.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>989</b>	<b>733</b>	<b>1722</b>	<b>344.4</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>1245</b>	<b>923</b>	<b>2168</b>	<b>433.6</b>

Team Defense

