# TENNESSEE.



## FOOTBALL

128 SEASONS / 6 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS / 13 SEC TITLES / 94 FIRST-TEAM ALL-AMERICA HONORS / 47 NFL FIRST ROUNDERS / 26 CFB HALL OF FAMERS

### GAME 11 | NOV. 23, 2024 | 1 P.M. ET | KNOXVILLE, TENN. | NEYLAND STADIUM (101,915)





8-2 (5-2 SEC)

Head Coach: Josh Heupel Record at UT: 35-14 (.714) // fourth season

Career Record: 63-22 (.741) // seventh season **Rankings:** AP - 10 // Coaches - 11 // CFP - 11

2-8 (2-5 C-USA)

Head Coach: Scotty Walden

Record at UTEP: 2-8 (.200) // first season Career Record: 36-28 (.563) // seventh season Rankings: AP - NR // Coaches - NR // CFP - NR

#### **STORYLINES**

■SENIOR DAY: Tennessee looks to close out a perfect regular season home slate when it welcomes UTEP for a 1 p.m. ET Saturday kickoff on Senior Day. During pregame festivities, the Volunteers will honor multiple seniors who have been instrumental in revitalizing the program since 2021. The game will be televised digitally on ESPN+/SEC Network+. It will also be the annual Salute to Service Game. Since the introduction of the recognition in 2018, Tennessee has welcomed thousands of military and veterans from across the southeast to numerous athletics events as part of Salute to Service. Tennessee has won seven in a row at home and is seeking a 7-0 home regular season mark for the second time in three years. The Vols are No. 11 in the latest College Football Playoff rankings and own a victory over current No. 7 Alabama. Both of their losses came on the road at night. Tennessee is fourth in the SEC standings at 5-2 with one league game remaining next week at Vanderbilt. UTEP is eighth in C-USA and was open on Saturday after defeating Kennesaw State, 43-35, on Nov. 9. The Vols are seeking nine victories for the third straight year under Josh Heupel, which would be a first for the program since five consecutive seasons from 1995-99.

**VOLS COME UP SHORT IN ATHENS SHOWDOWN:** Tennessee jumped out to a 10-0 first-quarter lead on No. 12 Georgia in Athens on Saturday, but the Bulldogs outscored the Vols 31-7 the rest of the way and 14-0 in the second half to take a 31-17 decision. Tennessee was within a touchdown vs. Georgia midway through the fourth quarter, and the Bulldogs stretched their home winning streak to 29 games. RB Dylan Sampson, a semifinalist for the Maxwell Award, went over 100 yards for the ninth time this season, finishing with 101 yards on 19 carries with a 27-yard second-quarter touchdown. Sampson tied the UT single-season record for total touchdowns scored with his 21st on that run. He matched Gene McEver (1929). QB Nico lamaleava was 20-of-33 for 167 yards with no touchdowns and no interceptions. TE Miles Kitselman registered his first career rushing touchdown on a 1-yard plunge to put UT on the board. The Vols equaled their season-high with six pass breakups by six different players. S Will Brooks, who will participate in Senior Day, led the Vols with seven tackles. DE James Pearce Jr., a semifinalist for the Bednarik Award and Lombardi Award, and DT Bryson Eason each notched a tackle for loss.

■HEUPEL ERA: Josh Heupel, the 2022 AP SEC Coach of the Year, is in his fourth season at UT. Since taking over a program that was 3-7 prior to his arrival, Heupel owns a 35-14 record and is 28-8 since the start of the 2022 season. The 28 wins since the start of 2022 are third-most in the SEC. Since 2018, he ranks sixth nationally among active FBS head coaches in victories with 63. Heupel has led the Vols to at least eight regular season wins in three straight seasons for the first time since 1995-2004 under Phillip Fulmer. Heupel has assured the Vols of finishing .500 or better in SEC play in now all four of his seasons at the helm.

■TOP 10 IN THE FBS: Tennessee heads into the UTEP contest ranked in the FBS top 10 in eight major categories: third-down defense (3rd - 27.5), yards per play allowed (6th - 4.46), kickoff return defense (3rd - 13.0), red zone defense (9th - 71.9), total defense (9th - 289.7), scoring defense (8th - 14.4), rushing offense (10th - 226.2) and rushing defense (7th - 100.6). The Vols lead the SEC in third-down defense, kickoff return defense and rushing offense. UT has held nine of its 10 opponents under 20 points. The Vols have issued the eighth-fewest offensive touchdowns in the FBS this season with 16. Opponents have managed only one first-quarter touchdown this season on UT and only five first-half TDs (Alabama 2Q, Kentucky 1Q, Mississippi State 2Q, Georgia two 2Q).

#### BY THE NUMBERS

straight games without allowing a sack by Preseason All-American C Cooper Mays, who is the Vols' starter for the fourth straight year

school-record rushing touchdowns by Jr. RB **Dylan Sampson**, which leads the SEC, ranks t2nd in FBS, No. 6 in SEC single-season history

games producing 200 rushing yards in the Josh Heupel era and own a 26-2 record when doing so (won 20 in a row when doing so)

30+ yard plays allowed by Tennessee defense all season. which is the fourth-fewest in FBS. second-fewest in Power Four

## ON THE AIR

TV: ESPN+/SEC NETWORK+

Play-by-Play: Lowell Galindo Analyst: Fozzy Whittaker Sideline Reporter: Marilyn Payne

RADIO: VOL NETWORK

Local: WIVK-FM 107.7 | WNML-FM 99.1 SiriusXM: Ch. 119 or 191 | App: Ch. 961 **Web:** UTsports.com | **App:** Tennessee Ath. Play-by-Play: Bob Kesling

**Analysts:** Pat Ryan & Brent Hubbs Sideline Reporter: Jayson Swain

**RADIO: SPANISH BROADCAST** 

Local: WNML-AM 990 Play-by-Play: Carlos Lopez **Analyst:** Fuad Reveiz

## THE SCHEDULE

Home: 6-0 | Away: 1-2 | Neutral: 1-0

#### AUGUST (1-0)

31 Chattanooga SECN W, 69-3 SEPTEMBER (3-0)

vs. #24/23 NC State<sup>^</sup> ABC W, 51-10 14 Kent State SECN W, 71-0 21 at #15/13 Oklahoma\* ABC W, 25-15 OCTOBER (2-1)

at Arkansas\* ABC L, 14-19 12 Florida\* ESPN W, 23-17 OT #7/7 Alabama\* ABC W, 24-17 **NOVEMBER (2-1)** 

Kentucky\* SECN W, 28-18 Miss. State\* (HC) ESPN W, 33-14 at #11/10/12 Georgia\* ABC L, 17-31 23 UTEP SECN+1 p.m. 30 at Vanderbilt\* ABC 12 p.m.

\* - denotes SEC game

^ - denotes in Charlotte (Duke's Mayo Classic) Flex - 3:30-4:30 p.m. ET or 6-8 p.m. ET Night - 6-8 p.m. ET | Early - 12-1 p.m. ET

## THE COACHING STAFF

Josh Heupel, Head Coach (4th)

Alec Abeln<sup>^</sup>, Tight Ends (4th, 2nd as TE)

Tim Banks<sup>^</sup>, DC (4th) Mike Ekeler, OLB/ST (4th)

Glen Elarbee, OL (4th)

**Rodney Garner**, DL (6th, 4th on this staff) Joey Halzle<sup>^</sup>, OC/QB (4th, 2nd as OC)

William Inge, LB (1st)

Willie Martinez, DB (8th, 4th on this staff) Kelsey Pope, WR (4th, 3rd as WR)

De'Rail Sims, RB (1st)

( ) - denotes year at Tennessee

^ - denotes in press box

#### **MEDIA INFORMATION**

#### **COACH HEUPEL MEDIA INTERVIEWS**

- MONDAY: Coach Heupel's weekly press conference will be held in person every Monday of game week at 12:15 p.m. ET in the north studio of the Neyland-Thompson Sports Center. It will also be streamed live on UTsports.com and the UT Athletics YouTube page. There will be no Zoom option.
- WEDNESDAY: Coach Heupel takes part in the weekly SEC Teleconference each Wednesday at 11:50 a.m. ET. A confidential link to ask questions will be distributed.
- POSTGAME: For home games, Coach Heupel's postgame press conference will take place in person in the Stokely Family Media Center of Neyland Stadium. For road games, Coach Heupel's postgame press conference will be held in person in the visiting team's postgame room. On-demand video after the press conference will be distributed via Tennessee's media share folder.

#### **ASSISTANT COACH MEDIA INTERVIEWS**

- TUESDAY: One to two assistant coaches will be made available following practice on Tuesdays at approximately 11:20 a.m in the north studio of the Neyland-Thompson Sports Center. There will be no Zoom option available.
- WEDNESDAY: An assistant coach will appear on "Vol Calls" at 8 p.m. ET on Wednesdays during the season at Calhoun's On the River.

#### STUDENT-ATHLETE MEDIA INTERVIEWS

- MONDAY/TUESDAY: Select student-athletes will be available following Coach Heupel's weekly press conference on Mondays in the north studio of the Neyland-Thompson Sports Center at approximately 12:30 p.m. Players will also be available following the assistant coach availabilities on Tuesday beginning at approximately 11:45 a.m. or depending on the schedule.
- POSTGAME: For home games, select studentathletes will be available in person on the stage in Stokely Family Media Center following Coach Heupel's postgame press conference. For road games, select players will be available in the visiting team's postgame room following Coach Heupel's press conference.
- Student-athletes' contact information will not be distributed.

#### "VOL CALLS" WEDNESDAYS

 "Vol Calls," the official statewide radio show of the Tennessee Volunteers, airs from 8-9 p.m. ET on Wednesdays from Calhoun's On the River in downtown Knoxville. The show features head coach Josh Heupel and assistant coaches. It also airs live on UTsports.com/watch and the Tennessee Athletics app.

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#### **NEYLAND GAME DAY INFORMATION**

- MEDIA WILL CALL: For those media members picking up their credentials, pickup is located at the Tennessee Strategic Communications Office on the ground floor of the Anderson Training Center on Fridays from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. On gameday, credential pickup is located inside Gate 15A on the west side of Neyland Stadium. Gameday pickup opens four hours prior to kickoff.
- MEDIA PARKING: For those media members approved for media parking, parking passes are digital and accessed via mobile devices through email via Ticketmaster.
- MEDIA ENTRANCE: Media will enter the press box through Gate 15A on the west side of Neyland Stadium.
- PRESS BOX: The Tom Elam Press Box opens 3.5 hours prior to kickoff. A pregame meal will be served beginning two hours prior to kickoff. After entering Gate 15A, take the elevator to Level 5.
- STOKELY FAMILY MEDIA CENTER: Stokely Family Media Center on the field level of Neyland Stadium opens 3.5 hours prior to kickoff and is available for credentialed photographers/videographers. A pregame meal for photographers/videographers

will be served beginning two hours prior to kickoff. To access Stokely Family Media Center, take the elevator to Level 1, enter the stadium concourse, and walk north (left). Just inside Gate 21, take the stairs down to the Gate 21A ramp. Enter the field area and walk along the back of the north end zone to the media center, which is located in the northeast corner of Neyland Stadium.

- PRINTABLES: With the exception of flip cards and final game books, media materials will be available digitally in accordance with FWAA recommendations. This includes in-game stats and game notes. Digital links will be distributed prior to game day for game notes.
- POSTGAME PRESS CONFERENCES: Tennessee's home postgame press conference will be held in the Stokely Family Media Center. There will be no Zoom option. The visiting team postgame press conference will be held adjacent to the visitor's locker room in the south end zone of Neyland Stadium. Media can access this area via the south end zone tunnel. On-demand video of Tennessee's press conference will be distributed via Tennessee's media share folder.

**COLLEGEPRESSBOX.COM** is the official media website for FBS football. Access and download weekly game notes, quotes, statistics, media guides, headshots, logos and more for each conference and its member schools. Register for access at collegepressbox.com/register.









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#### GAME 11 MEDIA SCHEDULE: UTEP (subject to change, all times Eastern)

#### **SUNDAY [17]**

off day no media availability

#### **MONDAY** [18]

12:15 p.m. ET - Head Coach Josh Heupel Press Conference followed by select players in north studio

#### TUESDAY [19]

approx. 11:20 a.m.

ET - post practice assistant coach media availability (LB Coach Inge, TE Coach Abeln) followed by select players in north studio

#### WEDNESDAY [20]

11:50 a.m. ET - Head Coach Josh Heupel on SEC Teleconference

8 p.m. ET - "Vol Calls" on Vol Network live from Calhoun's on The River (Heupel, Elarbee)

#### THURSDAY [21]

no media availability

#### FRIDAY [22]

no media availability travel day

#### SATURDAY [23]

Game 11: vs. UTEP 1 p.m. ET Neyland Stadium ESPN+/SECN+ • Vol Network Postgame

Coach Heupel and select players available in Stokely Media Center





## **TENNESSEE | DEPTH CHART**

## **OFFENSE**

TE -or- -or-	0 19 87	Ethan Davis Holden Staes Miles Kitselman	6-5 6-4 6-5	246 248 256	R-Fr. Jr. Sr.
LT	53	Lance Heard	6-6	340	So.
-or-	77	Larry Johnson III	6-7	350	R-So.
LG	70 75	Andrej Karić	6-6	314 725	Sr.
-or-	75	Jackson Lampley 49	6-4	325	R-Sr.*
С	63	Cooper Mays	6-4	310	Sr.*
	50	William Satterwhite	6-3	300	Fr.
-or-	54	Vysen Lang	6-4	340	R-Fr.
RG	76	Javontez Spraggins		330	Sr.*
	79	Shamurad Umarov	6-7	330	R-Fr.
RT	74	John Campbell Jr.	6-6	330	R-Sr.*
-or-	66	Dayne Davis 49	6-7	333	R-Sr.*
WR	5	Bru McCoy	6-3	230	R-Sr.*
-or-		Kaleb Webb	6-3	204	R-So.
	10	Mike Matthews	6-1	197	Fr.
WR	3	Squirrel White	5-10	167	Jr.
-or-	11	Chas Nimrod	6-3	202	R-So.
	14	Braylon Staley	6-0	190	Fr.
WR	1	Dont'e Thornton Jr.	6-5	214	Sr.
-or-	17	Chris Brazzell II	6-5	200	R-So.
	85	Nathan Leacock	6-3	217	R-Fr.
QB	8	Nico lamaleava	6-6	215	R-Fr.
	13	Gaston Moore 🥮	6-2	212	R-Sr.
	12	Jake Merklinger	6-3	215	Fr.
RB	6	Dylan Sampson	5-11	201	Jr.
	23	Cameron Seldon	6-2	222	So.
-or-	18	DeSean Bishop	5-10	200	R-Fr.
-or-	20	Khalifa Keith	6-1	239	So.
-or-	27	Peyton Lewis	6-1	210	Fr.

## **PRONUNCIATION GUIDE**

17	Chris Brazzell II	BRAZ-ull
7	Arion Carter	air-EE-on
15	Edrees Farooq	EED-reez FUH-rook
53	Daevin Hobbs	DAY-vin
8	Nico lamaleava	ee-ah-MAH-LAY-ah-va
70	Andre Karić	awn-DRAY KAHR-ich
20	Khalifa Keith	kah-LEE-fah
87	Miles Kitselman	KITS-ull-man
54	Vysen Lang	VIE-sun
3	Jermod McCoy	JUR-mahd
12	Jake Merklinger	MURK-ling-ur
51	Jaxson Moi	MOY (rhymes with boy)
11	Chas Nimrod	CHAZZ
11	Keenan Pili	KEE-nan PEE-lee
47	Matthew Salansky	SUH-lan-skee
76	Javontez Spraggins	juh-VAWN-tez SPRA-gins
19	Holden Staes	STAYS
22	Jeremiah Telander	TEE-lan-dur
2	Andre Turrentine	TUR-en-tine
79	Shamurad Umarov	oo-MAH-rawf (goes by Sham)
42	Tyre West	tie-REE

## **DEFENSE**

James Pearce Jr.	6-5	243	Jr.
Joshua Josephs	6-3	245	Jr.
Caleb Herring	6-5	249	So.
Jordan Ross	6-5	245	Fr.
Omari Thomas 🐠	6-4	325	Sr.*
Elijah Simmons 🐠	6-2	340	R-Sr.*
Jaxson Moi	6-2	307	Jr.
Bryson Eason	6-3	310	R-Sr.
<b>Omarr Norman-Lott</b>	6-3	315	Sr.
Daevin Hobbs	6-4	300	So.
<b>Dominic Bailey</b>	6-3	292	R-Sr.
Tyre West	6-3	290	Jr.
Jayson Jenkins	6-6	281	R-So.
Tyree Weathersby	6-5	272	R-Fr.
Arion Carter	6-1	234	So.
Kalib Perry	6-3	231	Jr.
Jeremiah Telander	6-2	238	So.
Jalen Smith	6-2	230	R-Fr.
Edwin Spillman	6-1	234	Fr.
Rickey Gibson III	6-0	185	So.
Jalen McMurray	6-0	187	R-Jr.
Kaleb Beasley	6-1	200	Fr.
Jermod McCoy	6-0	193	So.
Jordan Matthews	6-2	182	R-Fr.
William Wright	6-0	198	R-Sr.
<b>Christian Harrison</b>	6-1	191	R-So.
<b>Boo Carter</b>	5-11	195	Fr.
Will Brooks 🐠	6-1	206	R-Sr.
<b>Christian Charles</b>	6-1	200	R-Jr.
Edrees Farooq	6-0	200	Fr.
Andre Turrentine	5-11	195	R-Jr.
<b>Jakobe Thomas</b>	6-2	200	R-Jr.
John Slaughter	6-2	195	So.
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## **SPECIALISTS**

90	Max Gilbert	6-0	200	R-Fr.
94	Josh Turbyville	6-2	209	R-So.
98	Jackson Ross	6-3	204	R-So.
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90	Max Gilbert	6-0	200	R-Fr.
47	Matthew Salansky 🐠	5-11	250	R-Sr.*
48	Bennett Brady	6-1	211	R-So.
98	Jackson Ross	6-3	204	R-So.
23	Cameron Seldon	6-2	222	So.
- 27	Peyton Lewis	6-1	210	Fr.
- 18	DeSean Bishop	5-10	200	R-Fr.
- 10	Mike Matthews	6-1	197	Fr.
3	Jermod McCoy	6-0	193	So.
- 23	Boo Carter	5-11	195	Fr.
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<sup>🐠 -</sup> denotes graduated

<sup>\* -</sup> denotes "super" senior who elected to return in 2024

### SERIES HISTORY VS. UTEP

FOURTH MEETING (Tennessee leads, 3-0)

in Knoxville: 3-0 in El Paso: N/A

**Biggest Win:** 56 points (56-0, 1990 in Knoxville)

Biggest Loss: N/A

Longest Winning Streak: 3 games

(1986-pres.)

Longest Losing Streak: N/A Current Streak: Tennessee 3 games

1986	Knoxville	W	26-16
1990	Knoxville	W	56-0
2015	Knoxville	W	24-0

#### TOP PERFORMANCES vs. UTEP

#### RUSHING

**Rushing Yards:** 158, Ty Chandler, 2018

**Longest Rush:** 81, Ty Chandler, 2018

**TD Rushes:** 3, Tony Thompson, 1990

**100-Yard Rushing Games:** 2, last Ty Chandler, 2018

#### RECEIVING

Catches: 4 (3x), last Brandon Johnson, 2018

**Receiving Yards:** 85, Alvin Harper, 1990

**Receiving TD:** 1 (2x), last Jauan Jennings, 2018

100-Yard Rec. Games: N/A

#### **PASSING**

Passing Yards: 168, Jarrett Guarantano, 2018

Passing Completions: 14, Jeff Francis, 1986

Passing Attempts: 20, Jeff Francis, 1986

**Longest Pass:** 59, Sterling Henton, 1990

**TD Passes:** 1 (2x), last Jarrett Guarantano, 2018 **300-Yard Pass Games:** N/A

### **NOTING THE TENNESSEE-UTEP SERIES**

- Tennessee and UTEP are meeting for the fourth time and the first time since Sept. 15, 2018. All three previous meetings occurred in Knoxville with the Vols winning all three by double-digits.
- The Sept. 15, 1990, meeting was a 56-0 blowout and the Vols' fourth game of an SEC championship season under Johnny Majors.
- UTEP head coach Scotty Walden, who is in his first season with the Miners, coached in Neyland Stadium last season. He was head coach of Austin Peay as the Vols defeated the Governors, 30-13, on Sept. 9.
- Josh Heupel has never faced UTEP as a head coach. The Vols are 7-0 vs. Group of Five teams under his watch, outscoring them 395-53. The victories include: Kent State (71-0), South Alabama (60-14), UTSA (45-14), UConn (59-3), Ball State (59-10), Akron (63-6) and Bowling Green (38-6).
- A total of 1,478 miles separate the two campuses.

### STAT COMPARISON

	TENNE	SSEE	UTEP		
CATEGORY	VALUE	SEC (FBS) RANK	VALUE	CUSA (FBS) RANK	
3rd D Conv. Pct.	0.455	6 (28)	0.318	8 (122)	
3rd D Conv. Pct. Defense	0.275	1(3)	0.387	5 (69)	
4th D Conv. Pct.	0.667	3 (20)	0.333	8 (126)	
4th D Conv. Pct Defense	0.294	1(4)	0.529	7 (64)	
Blocked Kicks	1	3 (48)			
Completion Pct.	0.646	5 (31)	0.627	3 (51)	
Fewest Penalties P/G	7.90	14 (118)	5.50	6 (45)	
Fewest Penalty Yds P/G	65.70	13 (111)	50.50	5 (57)	
First Downs Defense	171	6 (16)	187	4 (44)	
First Downs Offense	233	4 (20)	171	9 (122)	
Fumbles Lost	7	10 (90)	5	1 (54)	
Fumbles Recovered	8	4 (15)	5	6 (59)	
Kickoff Return Defense	13.00	1(3)	27.55	9 (130)	
Kickoff Returns	22.22	5 (35)	20.67	4 (56)	
Net Punting	40.21	13 (44)	34.79	9 (130)	
Passes Had Intercepted	6	6 (29)	10	7 (92)	
Passes Intercepted	8	7 (64)	10	2 (35)	
Passing Offense	229.5	10 (67)	207.4	5 (87)	
Passing Yds Allowed	189.1	4 (29)	211.9	6 (58)	
Passing Yds per Comp.	12.34	12 (55)	10.92	7 (110)	
Punt Return Defense	7.87	13 (77)	5.65	3 (46)	
Punt Returns	15.13	3 (13)	13.47	1 (19)	
Red Zone Defense	0.719	4 (9)	0.771	5 (26)	
Red Zone Offense	0.776	15 (109)	0.680	9 (132)	
Rushing Defense	100.6	2 (7)	171.0	4 (97)	
Rushing Offense	226.2	1 (10)	124.7	5 (98)	
Sacks Allowed	2.30	10 (88)	2.30	7 (88)	
Scoring Defense	14.4	3 (8)	29.7	7 (99)	
Scoring Offense	35.5	4 (18)	19.2	7 (121)	
Tackles for Loss Allowed	4.90	5 (42)	7.00	9 (118)	
Team Passing Efficiency	142.25	8 (42)	128.85	7 (88)	
Team Passing Effic. Defense	114.61	5 (26)	142.20	7 (107)	
Team Sacks	2.20	10 (51)	2.50	1 (36)	
Team Tackles for Loss	7.3	3 (11)	7.1	1 (19)	
Time of Possession	29:45	9 (79)	28:02	6 (107)	
Total Defense	289.7	2 (9)	382.9	6 (81)	
Total Offense	455.7	3 (12)	332.1	8 (114)	
Turnover Margin	0.30	8 (46)	0.00	4 (65)	
Turnovers Gained	16	6 (34)	15	4 (44)	
Turnovers Lost	13	6 (54)	15	5 (82)	

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# Ground Game, Defense Propel Vols To 24-0 Win Over UTEP

**KNOXVILLE, Tenn.** - Sophomore running back Ty Chandler rushed 12 times for a career-best 158 yards and a touchdown as Tennessee recorded its first shutout since 2016 in a 24-0 victory over UTEP on Saturday afternoon at Neyland Stadium.

Chandler averaged 13.2 yards per carry, bolstered by an 81-yard touchdown run in the third quarter. His previous best rushing day came at Kentucky last season, when he had 120 yards on 22 attempts. He posted the most yards by a UT running back in a single game since Rajion Neal had 169 against South Alabama on. Sept. 28, 2013.

Sophomore running back Tim Jordan added another rushing TD for the Vols, who rolled up 345 yards on the ground on 50 carries for a 6.9 average on the day. Graduate transfer Madre London contributed a season-high 74 yards to that cause via nine attempts.

Redshirt sophomore quarterback Jarrett Guarantano completed 12 of 16 passes for 168 yards and a score, connecting with six different receivers. Redshirt junior wide receiver Jauan Jennings had a four-yard TD reception and finished with three catches for 22 yards. Junior wideout Brandon Johnson led UT with four catches for 51 yards, while sophomore receiver Josh Palmer hauled in two balls for a career-best 64 yards.

UT's defense, meanwhile, limited the Miners (0-3) to only 134 total yards and seven first downs. Junior linebacker Daniel Bituli paced the Vols, tallying six tackles, including a sack. Redshirt senior defensive end Alexis Johnson Jr. added five stops and a quarterback hurry.

#### **STAT LEADERS**

UTEP					
Rushing	Att	Yds	TD	Long	Avg.
Wadley	8	33	0	9	4.1
Hughes	5	33	0	18	6.6
Locksley	9	24	0	9	2.7
Johnson	2	6	0	4	3.0
Fields	4	-1	0	3	-0.3
Totals	28	95	0	18	3.4

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long
Locksley	9-22-0	39	0	14
Metz	0-1-0	0	0	0
Totals	9-23-0	39	0	14

Receiving	No.	Yds	TD I	Long
Foster	2	21	0	14
Redix	2	15	0	9
Lucero	1	4	0	4
McKee	1	2	0	2
Johnson	1	1	0	1
Dimel	2	-4	0	0
Totals	0	70	_	1/

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Rusning	Att	ras	עו	Long	Avg.
Chandler	12	158	1	81	13.2
London	9	74	0	28	8.2
Jordan	13	49	1	14	3.8
Banks	9	45	0	23	5.0
Guarantano	6	20	0	14	3.3
Team	1	-1	0	0	-1.0
Totals	25	130	1	75	5.2

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long
Guarantano	12-16-0	168	1	53
Chryst	1-3-0	-1	0	0
Total	13-19-0	167	1	53

Receiving	No.	Yds	TDL	.ong
Palmer	2	64	0	53
Johnson	4	51	0	29
Jennings	3	22	1	14
Wood-Anderson	2	21	0	11
Callaway	1	8	0	8
London	1	1	0	1
Totals	13	167	1	53

#### **SCORING SUMMARY**

Qtr	Time	Team	Scoring Play	P-Yds.	TOP	Score
1st	14:49	UT	Cimaglia,B. 38 yd field goal	15-60	7:41	0-3
2nd	10:49	UT	Jordan,T. 3 yd run (Cimaglia,B. kick)	3-36	1:04	0-10
3rd	13:49	UT	Chandler,T. 81 yd run (Cimaglia,B. kick)	1-81	0:12	0-17
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#### **NATIONAL POLLS**

#### **ASSOCIATED PRESS (NOV. 17)**

Rank	School	Points	Record
1	Oregon (62)	1550	11-0
2	Ohio State	1485	9-1
3	Texas	1413	9-1
4	Penn State	1319	9-1
<u>5</u>	Indiana	1310	10-0
	Notre Dame	1191	9-1
7	Alabama	1130	8-2
8	Georgia	113	8-2
9	Ole Miss	1083	8-2
10	Tennessee	953	8-2
11	Miami (FL)	945	9-1
12	Boise State	880	9-1
13	SMU	819	9-1
14	BYU	785	9-1
15	Texas A&M	687	8-2
16	Colorado	583	8-2
17	Clemson	559	8-2
18	Army	55	9-0
19	South Carolina	44	7-3
20	Tulane	323	9-2
21	Arizona State	322	8-2
22	Iowa State	256	8-2
23	UNLV	125	8-2
24	Illinois	74	7-3
25	Washington State	61	8-2

**RV:** Missouri 56, Memphis 38, Kansas State 36, Syracuse 21, Louisville 15, Pittsburgh 6, LSU 6, Louisiana-Lafayette 5, Vanderbilt 4, Colorado State 2, Duke 2, James Madison 2, Georgia Tech 1.

#### **AFCA COACHES (NOV. 17)**

Rank	School	Points	Record
1	Oregon (55)	1,375	11-0
2	Ohio State	1,316	9-1
3	Texas	1,263	9-1
4	Penn State	1,158	9-1
5	Indiana	1,109	10-0
6	Notre Dame	1,096	9-1
7	Alabama	996	8-2
8	Georgia	993	8-2
9	Ole Miss	984	8-2
10	Miami (FL)	847	9-1
11	Tennessee	823	8-2
12	SMU	744	9-1
13	Boise State	714	9-1
14	Texas A&M	646	8-2
15	BYU	633	9-1
16	Clemson	569	8-2
17	Army	509	9-0
18	Colorado	464	8-2
19	South Carolina	379	7-3
20	Tulane	280	9-2
21	Iowa State	268	8-2
22	Arizona State	251	8-2
23	UNLV	93	8-2
24	Memphis	77	9-2
25	Kansas State	67	7-3

RV: Washington State 65, Illinois 56, Missouri 44, Syracuse 18, James Madison 11, Duke 9, Pittsburgh 7, Louisiana-Lafayette 5, Louisville 2, Colorado State 1, LSU 1, Sam Houston 1, Vanderbilt 1.

#### **CFP RANKINGS (NOV. 19)**

Rank	School	Record	
1	Oregon	11-0	
2	Ohio State	9-1	
3	Texas	9-1	
4	Penn State	9-1	
5	Indiana	10-0	
6	Notre Dame	9-1	
7	Alabama	8-2	
8	Miami (FL)	9-1	
9	Ole Miss	8-2	
10	Georgia	9-2	
11	Tennessee	8-2	
12	Boise State	9-1	
13	SMU	9-1	
14	BYU	9-1	
15	Texas A&M	8-2	
16	Colorado	8-2	
17	Clemson	8-2	
18	South Carolina	7-3	
19	Army	9-0	
20	Tulane	9-2	
21	Arizona State	8-2	
22	Iowa State	8-2	
23	Missouri	7-3	
24	UNLV	8-2	
25	Illinois	7-3	



## **2024 HONORS**

#### **Head Coach Josh Heupel**

- Dodd Trophy Midseason Watch List
- Bear Bryant Coach of the Year Watch List
- Bear Bryant National Coach of the Week (Week 4)
- Dodd Trophy Coach of the Week (Week 7)

#### **Defensive Coordinator Tim Banks**

- AFCA Assistant Coach of the Year Nominee
- 247Sports SEC Coordinator of the Week (vs. Alabama, 10/19)

#### **Offensive Line**

• Joe Moore Award Semifinalist

#### Will Brooks, DB, R-Sr.

- · Burlsworth Trophy Semifinalist
- Burlsworth Trophy Walk-On of the Week (vs. Alabama, 10/22)

#### John Campbell Jr., OL, R-Sr.

- · Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- · Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List

#### Boo Carter, DB, Fr.

• SEC Freshman of the Week (vs. Florida, 10/14)

#### Bryson Eason, DL, R-Sr.

- · Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- · Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List

#### Max Gilbert, PK, R-So.

- Lou Groza Award "Stars of the Week" (vs. Mississippi State, 11/12)
- SEC Special Teams Player of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/23)

#### Nico Iamaleava, QB, R-Fr.

- Shaun Alexander Freshman of the Year Award Semifinalist
- Polynesian College Football Player of the Year Watch List
- SEC Freshman of the Week (vs. Chattanooga, 9/2; vs. NC State, 9/9; at Oklahoma, 9/23)
- Manning Award QB of the Week (vs. NC State, 9/11)

#### Joshua Josephs, DL, Jr.

 SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/23)

#### Cooper Mays, C, Sr.

- Outland Trophy Watch List
- Rimington Trophy Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- Outland Trophy Player of the Week (vs. Mississippi State, 11/12)
- SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (vs. NC State, 9/9; vs. Alabama, 10/21)
- Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List

#### Bru McCoy, WR, R-Sr.

- Witten Award Semifinalist
- Wuerffel Trophy Nominee
- AFCA Good Works Team Nominee
- Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List

#### NOTEBOOK

#### 13 STRAIGHT NON-CONFERENCE WINS

- The Vols have won 13 non-conference games in a row, representing their longest streak against non-SEC foes since winning 27 straight from 1969-73. The current streak dates back to a Sept. 1, 2022, seasonopening victory over Ball State. The Vols' last non-conference loss was to Purdue in the 2021 Music City Bowl.
- They are 16-2 vs. non-SEC foes under **Josh Heupel**. UT has outscored non-conference opponents 894-246 in the Heupel era.
- Tennessee is going for a third straight perfect non-conference regular season record. The Vols were 4-0 in the 2022 regular season and 4-0 in the 2023 regular season. They also own two straight bowl game victories, doing so vs. Clemson (2022 Orange Bowl) and vs. Iowa (2024 Citrus Bowl).

#### **DEFENDING NEYLAND STADIUM**

- Neyland Stadium has returned as one of the toughest places to play in the country under head coach Josh Heupel.
- Tennessee owns a 24-4 record in Neyland Stadium under **Heupel** and has won 19 of its last 20 games it has played there with the only loss during that span coming to top-ranked Georgia.
- The Vols have outscored opponents 1,207-523 in Neyland in the **Heupel** era. 19 of those 24 victories have come by double-digits.
- The Vols' 19 home wins since the start of the 2022 season are tied for third in the nation during that span. That .950 win percentage since 2022 is tied for third-best in the nation behind only 20-0 Washington and 17-0 Georgia.
- Against UTEP, Tennessee is seeking a perfect home record for the second time in three years. The Vols were 7-0 in 2022, and they are 6-0 this season.

#### STREAK OF HOLDING OPPONENTS UNDER 20 POINTS SNAPPED AT NINE

- Tennessee has held opponents to under 20 points in 10 out of its last 11 games dating back to last season's 35-0 Citrus Bowl shutout of lowa.
- The Vols held opponents to under 20 points in the first nine games of this season for the first time since 1966. That streak ended at nine after Georgia scored 31 in game 10 on Nov. 16. Tennessee was the fifth SEC team to hold its first nine opponents under 20 since 2000, joining 2003 LSU, 2011 Alabama, 2012 Alabama and 2021 Georgia. All four of those previous teams won the national title.
- Despite allowing 31 points to Georgia, the Vols are still eighth in the FBS and third in the SEC in scoring defense, allowing only 14.4 points per game. That figure is the best by a Tennessee defense since the 1998 national championship squad led the SEC at 13.3 ppg. The last Vol team to finish a season holding opponents to under 15 points per game was in 1999 (14.8).
- The Vols have issued 144 total points (8th fewest in FBS) and 16 offensive touchdowns (t7th fewest in FBS).

#### 2024 Tennessee Scoring Defense

Opponent	Opp. Avg. Entering Game	Total	Difference
NC State	38.0	10	-28.0
Oklahoma	33.7	15	-18.7
Arkansas	35.8	19	-16.8
Florida	30.2	17	-13.2
Alabama	41.7	17	-24.7
Kentucky	19.1	18	-1.1
Miss. State	29.1	14	-15.1
Georgia	30.6	31	+0.4

#### D-SAMP: THE SEC'S BEST RUNNING BACK, UT SINGLE-SEASON TD RECORD HOLDER

- Jr. Dylan Sampson, a semifinalist for the Maxwell Award and Doak Walker Award, has proven to be the best running back in the SEC and one of the best in the nation through 10 games:
  - Rushing TDs: 21 (1st in SEC, t2nd in FBS)
  - Rushing Yds: 1,230 (1st in SEC, 6th in FBS)
  - Rushing Yds Per Game: 123.0 (1st in SEC, 7th in FBS)
  - All-Purpose Yards: 1,340 (1st in SEC, 12th in FBS)
  - All-Purpose Yards Per Game: 134.0 (1st in SEC, 11th in FBS)
  - 100-Yard Rushing Games: 9 (1st in SEC, 2nd in FBS)
  - Scoring: 12.6 (1st in SEC, 4th in FBS)
  - Total Points Scored: 126 (1st in SEC, 3rd in FBS)
- **Sampson** owns 12 career 100-yard rushing games, which is fifth in UT single-season annals. He's done it in nine out of the first 10 games this season. He was eight yards shy of hitting the mark vs. Oklahoma on Sept. 21.
- Sampson's nine 100-yard rushing games this season are second-most in UT single-season annals. Jay Graham (1995) holds the school record with 11. This is the second consecutive year a Tennessee player has six or more 100-yard rushing games, as Jaylen Wright did so in 2023, after none did so the prior seven seasons (2016-22).

#### **UT Career 100-Yard Rushing Games**

- 1. Travis Henry (1997-2000) 15
- 2. Jay Graham (1993-96) 14
- 3. Jamal Lewis (1997-99) 13 Johnnie Jones (1981-84) - 13

#### 5. Dylan Sampson (2022-pres.) - 12

6. Jalen Hurd (2014-16) - 11

#### **UT Single-Season 100-Yard Rushing Games**

- 1. Jay Graham (1995) 11
- 2. Dylan Sampson (2024) 9
- 3. Travis Stephens (2001) 7 Jamal Lewis (1997) - 7 Chuck Webb (1989) - 7

## 2024 HONORS (cont.)

#### Jermod McCoy, DB, So.

- Jim Thorpe Award Semifinalist
- Thorpe Award National Defensive Back of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/24)

#### Jaxson Moi, DL, Jr.

· Polynesian College Football Player of the Year Watch List

#### Omarr Norman-Lott, DT, Sr.

· Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List

#### James Pearce Jr., DE, Jr.

- Chuck Bednarik Award Semifinalist
- Lombardi Award Semifinalist
- Walter Camp Player of the Year Semifinalist
- Bronko Nagurski Trophy Watch List
- · Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- · SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week (vs. Florida, 10/14)
- · Reese's Senior Bowl Co-Defensive Player of the Week (vs. Florida)

#### Keenan Pili, LB, Sr.

- NFF Campbell Trophy Semifinalist
- · Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- · Polynesian College Football Player of the Year Watch List
- · Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List

#### Dylan Sampson, RB, Jr.

- · Maxwell Award Semifinalist
- Doak Walker Award Semifinalist
- · SEC Offensive Player of the Week (vs. Alabama, 10/21)

#### Javontez Spraggins, OL, Sr.

- · Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List

#### Omari Thomas, DL, Sr.

- · Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- · Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List

#### Squirrel White, WR, Jr.

· Biletnikoff Award Watch List

SEC Weekly Honors earned in the Josh Heupel era (2021-present)

SEC Weekly Honors earned this season

#### NOTEBOOK

- Sampson has registered multi-touchdown rushing games in seven out of his 10 games this season, and the Baton Rouge native has scored at least one rushing touchdown in 10 straight games, becoming the first in UT history to do so. Only one other player in school history had ever produced eight straight games with a rushing touchdown, and it happened over the course of two seasons. Jimmy Wade did it in eight straight games from Oct. 24, 1953 (Louisville; final seven games of 1953) to Sept. 25, 1954 (Mississippi State, first game of 1954).
- Sampson has seven outings this season with multiple rushing touchdowns after no other Vol this century (2000-24) had even five in a single campaign. He is the second player in school history with at least seven games in a single season with multiple rushing touchdowns, joining Reggie Cobb, who had eight
- According to PFF, 773 of Sampson's 1,230 rushing yards have come after contact (62.8 percent). He had 57 vs. Chattanooga, 98 vs. NC State, 56 vs. Kent State, 67 vs. Oklahoma, 52 at Arkansas, 95 vs. Florida, 64 vs. Alabama, 77 vs. Kentucky, a season-high 128 vs. Mississippi State and 77 at Georgia.
- · Sampson put up a historic first half vs. Kent State on Sept. 14, scoring four rushing touchdowns while carrying the ball 13 times for 101 yards. The four rushing TDs tied the single-game school record for the modern era (since 1937) with six other players, most recently John Kelly, who had four rushing TDs vs. Georgia Tech on Sept. 4, 2017 at Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta. Sampson was the first Vol to accomplish the feat in a single half in the modern era. Prior to the modern era, Gene McEver had four rushing scores in the second half against South Carolina in 1929.
- With a career-high 149 yards vs. Mississippi State on Nov. 9, Sampson hit the 1,000-yard rushing mark for the season. He became the second straight Vol to achieve that feat as Jaylen Wright, now with the Miami Dolphins, had 1,013 last season. It's the first time Tennessee produced back-to-back individual 1,000-yard rushing seasons since Montario Hardesty in 2009 (1,345) and Tauren Poole in 2010 (1,034). Sampson's 1,000-yard rushing season is the 20th in UT history.
- Sampson's numbers are even better in SEC play. In conference-only games (7), Sampson is averaging an SEC-best 124.7 yards per game on the ground. He's rushed for 873 yards on 175 carries with 12 touchdowns in those games. He leads the SEC in all three of those categories.
- Sampson led Tennessee to a comeback victory over Florida on Oct. 12. He rushed for 112 yards on 27 carries with three touchdowns - all in the second half. His 1-yard plunge in overtime gave the Vols the walkoff winner.
- Sampson was named SEC Offensive Player of the Week for the first time in his career after 139 rushing yards on 26 carries and two third-quarter touchdowns to help lift the Vols past No. 7 Alabama on the Third Saturday in October.
- Sampson shattered a 95-year-old UT single season record for rushing touchdowns on Nov. 2 vs. Kentucky in remarkably his eighth game of the season. Sampson scored twice, lifting his school record to 19 and surpassing that of the 18 set by All-American Gene McEver in 1929. McEver hit that mark in 10 games.
- · Sampson's 21 rushing touchdowns are tied for sixth in SEC single-season history and are the most by an SEC player in a season since Alabama's Najee Harris produced 26 in 2020. Sampson is tied with Alabama's Trent Richardson (2011) and Texas A&M's Johnny Manziel (2012) for sixth place. Sampson is the 10th player in SEC history to record at least 20 rushing touchdowns in a season.
- Sampson's 21 rushing touchdowns through 10 games are the second-most by an SEC player all-time through the first 10 games, behind Alabama's Najee Harris (2020), who had 22 before finishing with 26.

#### SEC Single-Season Rushing Touchdowns

- 1. Derrick Henry, Alabama (2015) 28
- 2. Najee Harris, Alabama (2020) 26
- 3. Tim Tebow, Florida (2007) 23 Tre Mason, Auburn (2013) - 23
- 5. Leonard Fournette, LSU (2015) 22

#### 6. Dylan Sampson, Tennessee (2024) - 21

Trent Richardson, Alabama (2011) - 21

Johnny Manziel, Texas A&M (2012) - 21 8. Cam Newton, Auburn (2010) - 20

Alex Collins, Arkansas (2015) - 20

• Sampson has played in 32 career games and has scored an incredible 34 rushing touchdowns already - 35 total touchdowns including one receiving.

**UT Single-Season Rushing Touchdowns** 

1. Dylan Sampson (2024) - 21

2. Gene McEver (1929) - 18

#### **UT Career Rushing Touchdowns**

- 1. Gene McEver (1928-31) 37
- 2. James Stewart (1991-94) 35

#### 3. Dylan Sampson (2022-pres.) - 34

- 3. Reggie Cobb (1987) 17
- 4. Joshua Dobbs (2013-16) 32 4. Tony Thompson (1990) - 16 • With his one touchdown at Georgia on Nov. 16, Sampson tied the UT single-season touchdown record set

#### by Gene McEver in 1929, who produced 21. **UT Single-Season Touchdowns Scored**

1. Gene McEver (1929) - 21 (18 rush, 2 receiving, 1 kickoff return)

#### Dylan Sampson (2024) - 21 (21 rush)

- 3. Reggie Cobb (1987) 20 (17 rush, 3 receiving)
- Sampson has hit the 200 attempts mark for the season (220), and he has cracked the UT single-season top 10 in carries.

#### **UT Single-Season Rushing Attempts**

1. Travis Stephens (2001) - 291

- 7. Reggie Cobb (1987) 237
- 8. Jamal Lewis (1997) 232



## **VOL TRENDS**

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	2024	AT UT	STK
August	1-0	1-0	W1
September	3-0	13-3	W5
October	2-1	10-4	W2
November	2-1	9-6	L1
December	0-0	1-1	W1
vs. above .500 (time of game)	4-2	16-13	L1
vs. below .500 (time of game)	3-0	11-0	W12
vs. at .500 (time of game)	1-0	7-1	W2
SEC at home	4-0	13-3	W5
SEC on road	1-2	6-9	L2
in Orange J/White P	3-0	16-1	W5
in Orange J/Orange P	1-0	6-1	W5
in White J/White P	2-1	6-6	L1
in White J/Orange P	0-1	1-4	L3
in Dark Mode	1-0	4-1	W3
in Smokey Grey	1-0	3-0	W3

#### **UT vs. Non-Conference Opponents**

overall	3-0	16-2	W13
at home	2-0	11-1	W10
on the road	0-0	1-1	W1
neutral	1-0	4-1	W4

#### UT Record In Games ...

decided by 7 pts or less	2-1	8-4	W2
decided by 3 pts or less	0-0	2-1	W1
Home during the day	2-0	13-2	W3
Home at night	4-0	11-2	W10
Road during the day	0-0	3-3	L3
Road at night	1-2	4-6	L2

#### UT Record When ...

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scoring first	5-1	29-8	L1
opponent scores first	3-1	6-6	W3
leading after the 1st quarter	5-1	27-7	L1
trailing after the 1st quarter	2-1	3-6	W2
tied after the 1st quarter	1-0	5-1	W2
leading at halftime	5-0	31-1	W8
trailing at halftime	3-1	4-12	W3
tied at halftime	0-1	0-1	L7
halftime lead/deficit 4 pts	1-1	3-2	W1
leading after the 3rd quarter	7-1	33-2	W3
trailing after the 3rd quarter	0-1	1-12	L7
tied after the 3rd quarter	1-0	1-0	W1
3rd qtr lead/deficit 4 pts	2-1	4-3	W2
tied after 4th quarter/OT	1-0	2-1	W2
turnover margin even	3-1	9-4	W1
turnover margin +1 or better	4-0	20-4	W5
turnover margin +2 or better	1-0	11-1	W8
turnover margin +3 or better	0-0	4-0	W8
turnover margin -1 or worse	1-1	6-6	L1
turnover margin -2 or worse	0-0	1-3	L3
turnover margin -3 or worse	0-0	0-1	L1
scoring less than 20 pts	0-2	0-8	L14
scoring 20 or more pts	8-0	35-5	W12
scoring 25 or more pts	6-0	32-4	W16
allowing 14 or fewer pts	4-0	18-0	W36
allowing 25 or fewer pts	7-1	28-1	W3
allowing 30 or more pts	0-1	3-12	L6

#### **UT Record With...**

less than 300 yds total offense	0-0	0-2	L6
300+ yds total offense	8-2	35-12	L1
400+ yds total offense	6-0	30-5	W9
500+ yds total offense	2-0	15-2	W6
600+ yds total offense	2-0	8-1	W7
less than 100 yds rushing	0-0	1-4	L2
100+ yds rushing	7-2	33-10	L1
150+ yds rushing	6-2	30-5	L1
200+ yds rushing	4-0	26-2	W20
250+ yds rushing	2-0	13-1	W9
less than 200 yds passing	3-2	8-4	L1
less than 300 yds passing	7-2	23-11	L1
300+ yds passing	1-0	12-3	W3
350+ yds passing	1-0	8-2	W3
400+ yds passing	1-0	5-0	W6

#### NOTEBOOK

9. Johnnie Jones (1984) - 229

#### 10. Dylan Sampson (2024) - 220

- Sampson's SEC-leading 126 points scored this season is tied for second in UT single-season history. Sampson, Gene McEver (school-record 130 in 1929) and Reggie Cobb (second, 120 in 1987) are the only non-kickers in the school single-season top 10 in the category. One more touchdown would give Sampson the record.
- **Sampson** cracked the UT single-season rushing yardage top 10 with his 101 yards at Georgia. He stands in 10th place at 1,230.

#### **UT Single-Season Rushing Yards**

- 1. Travis Stephens (2001) 1,464
- 4. Montario Hardesty (2009) 1,345
- 5. Travis Henry (2000) 1,314
- 6. Johnnie Jones (1984) 1,290
- 7. Jalen Hurd (2015) 1,288
- 8. Tony Thompson (1990) 1,261
- 9. Chuck Webb (1989) 1,236

#### 10. Dylan Sampson (2024) - 1,230

• Sampson's 123.0 rushing yards per game average is the third-best in Tennessee history, trailing only Jay Graham (130.7 in 1995) and Chuck Webb (123.6 in 1989).

#### **NICO TIME**

- RS-Fr. **Nico lamaleava** took the reins at quarterback for Tennessee in 2024. The former five-star recruit from Long Beach, Calif., is making his 12th career start this weekend. lamaleava is 9-2 with six home victories, a road win at then-No. 15/13 Oklahoma and two neutral site wins (Citrus Bowl, Duke's Mayo Classic). Four of his nine wins have come vs. ranked opponents at the time of the meeting (No. 20 Iowa, No. 24 NC State, at No. 15/13 Oklahoma, No. 7 Alabama).
- Tennessee has outscored opponents 404-130 in lamaleava's 11 starts dating back to the 2024 Citrus Bowl.
- lamaleava, the MVP of the 2024 Citrus Bowl in his first start, became the first Vol freshman quarterback to win a bowl game since Peyton Manning beat Virginia Tech in the 1994 Gator Bowl.
- Iamaleava has already three times been named SEC Freshman of the Week, doing so vs. Chattanooga, NC State and Oklahoma. He's already tied the school record for SEC Freshman of the Week honors set by Tyler Bray, who won it three times in a four-week span during the 2010 campaign.
- lamaleava set a UT record for most passing yards in a half with 314 in his first home start vs. Chattanooga, topping the previous record of 313 by Tyler Bray in the first half vs. Troy on Nov. 3, 2012. It marked the fourth 300-yard passing total in a half in UT history. Iamaleava connected on his first 10 passes, and he finished 22-of-28 with three touchdowns and no picks in only one half of work.
- A week later in the Duke's Mayo Classic vs. NC State, lamaleava earned SEC Freshman of the Week with 276 yards of total offense and three touchdowns.
- At No. 15/13 Oklahoma on Sept. 21, lamaleava completed 13-of-21 passes for 194 yards and one touchdown
  with a career-long 66-yard TD pass to Dont'e Thornton Jr. in the first guarter for his third freshman honor.
- lamaleava became the first UT freshman QB true or redshirt to beat Florida since true freshmen Erik Ainge and Brent Schaeffer in 2004. Though Schaeffer started the game, Ainge took the majority of the snaps. lamaleava also became the first UT freshman QB - true or redshirt - to defeat Alabama since Ainge in 2004 (17-13).
- lamaleava has guided the Vols to three second-half comeback victories in his last four contests (Florida, Alabama, Kentucky). He missed the second half of the Mississippi State game.
- lamaleava delivered the best pure passing game of his young career vs. Kentucky, finishing with career highs in completions (28) and attempts (38) for 292 yards and a touchdown. The 28 completions tied for the most by a UT QB in the **Josh Heupel** era (2021-present), matching the 28 Joe Milton III had vs. Alabama last season.

#### **GOAL LINE DEFENSE TURNOVERS FORCED**

 Tennessee's defense has pulled off the remarkable feat of forcing a goal line turnover in three games this seasons, including back-to-back contests vs. rivals Florida and Alabama. The three turnovers prevented touchdowns.

Date	Opponent	Situation	Result
9/21/24	at Oklahoma	1st and G at 5-yard line (13:49 2Q)	Jakobe Thomas fumble recovery
10/12/24	Florida	1st and G at 1-yard line (3:19 2Q)	James Pearce Jr. forced fumble, recovery
10/19/24	Alabama	2nd and G at 3-yard line (3:54 1Q)	Jermod McCoy interception in end zone

#### **VOLS AMONG THE NATION'S BEST IN ONE-TD GAMES**

- Tennessee has proven to be among the nation's best in tight games. The Vols are 7-1 in one-touchdown games (decided by 8 points or less) since the start of the 2022 season, and UT added to that total in back-to-back weeks with a 23-17 overtime victory over Florida on Oct. 12 and a 24-17 comeback win over No. 7 Alabama on Oct. 19.
- The Vols' only loss during that span was at Arkansas on Oct. 5. Of those seven wins, four have come vs. ranked teams #17 Pitt (2022), #20 Florida (2022), #3/1 Alabama (2022) and #7/7 Alabama (2024). The other three were vs. Kentucky (2023), Texas A&M (2023) and Florida (2024).
- The 87.50 win percentage for Tennessee in one-score games since the start of the 2022 season is the best in the SEC and second-best in the FBS behind Coastal Carolina (10-1, 90.91).

## ON THIS DAY...

NOV. **23** 

THE RECORD: 11-2 NCAA, 12-2 on-field THE STREAK: W1 LAST TIME: 2019, Tennessee defeated Missouri, 24-20

#### DID YOU KNOW:

UTEP will become the first nonconference opponent to play the Vols on this date since the formation of the SEC in 1933.

## **VOLS IN THE NFL (38)**

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NAME	TEAM	POS.	YR.
Micah Abernathy <sup>^</sup>	Falcons	S	3
Derek Barnett	Texans	DE	8
Matthew Butler	Raiders	DT	3
Marquez Callaway	Buccaneer		4
Jerome Carvin*	Jaguars	OL	2
McCallan Castles*	Chargers	TE	1
Morgan Cox	Titans	LS	15
Joshua Dobbs	49ers	QB	8
Princeton Fant*	Cowboys	TE	2
Kamal Hadden*	Packers	DB	1
Hendon Hooker	Lions	QB	2
Jalin Hyatt	Giants	WR	2
Theo Jackson	Vikings	DB	3
Jauan Jennings	49ers	WR	4
Gabe Jeudy-Lally*	Titans	CB	1
Jakob Johnson*	Giants	FB	7
Velus Jones Jr.*	Jaguars	WR	3
Alvin Kamara	Saints	RB	8
Ramel Keyton	Raiders	WR	1
Cade Mays	Panthers	OL	3
Jaylen McCollough	Rams	DB	1
Joe Milton III	Patriots	QB	1
Emmanuel Moseley <sup>^</sup>	Lions	СВ	7
Josh Palmer	Chargers	WR	4
Cordarrelle Patterson	Steelers	RB	12
Jalen Reeves-Maybin	Lions	LB	8
Jabari Small*	Titans	RB	1
Trey Smith	Chiefs	OL	4
Cameron Sutton	Steelers	СВ	8
Alontae Taylor	Saints	DB	3
Darrell Taylor	Bears	OLB	4
Cedric Tillman	Browns	WR	2
Shy Tuttle	Panthers	DL	6
Kendal Vickers*	Saints	DT	5
Dee Williams	Seahawks	DB/RS	1
Darnell Wright	Bears	OL	2
Jaylen Wright	Dolphins	RB	1
Byron Young	Rams	DE	2
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- \* denotes practice squad
- ^ denotes IR

### **NOTEBOOK**

#### **RACKING UP NEGATIVE PLAYS DEFENSIVELY**

- **Tim Banks** is in his fourth season as defensive coordinator for the Vols, and he has established an attacking identity of creating negative plays.
- Tennessee has racked up 370.0 tackles for loss under Banks (7.55 per game since start of 2021 season). The Vols have finished in the top 15 nationally and top two in the SEC in all three previous seasons under Banks. Three out of the 12 highest tackle-for-loss seasons in Tennessee history have occurred under Banks' watch: 2021 (fifth 102), 2022 (12th 94) and (seventh 101).
- This season, Tennessee ranks third in the SEC and 11th in the FBS with 7.3 tackles for loss per game. The Vols' 71.0 total tackles for loss is tied for third in the SEC and tied for 11th in the FBS.
- 23 times in the **Tim Banks/Josh Heupel** era have the Vols registered at least three sacks in a game, and they are 21-2 in those contests when doing so with the only losses coming at Alabama on Oct. 21, 2023, and at Mizzou on Nov. 11, 2023. The Vols had three sacks vs. NC State in Week 2, three in the win at Oklahoma on Sept. 21, three in the overtime victory over Florida on Oct. 12, three in the comeback win over Alabama on Oct. 19 and three vs. Mississippi State on Nov. 9.
- The Vols have tallied double-digit tackles for loss in a game under **Banks** 13 times, including most recently with 12.0 for 46 yards vs. Florida on Oct. 12. Tennessee had nine vs. Alabama this season.
- This season, 28 different players have at least 0.5 tackle for loss and 19 have multiple TFLs. DE James
   Pearce Jr. leads the way with 8.5 tackles for loss, and he is tops on the team in sacks with 5.5 for a loss of
   38 yards. DE Joshua Josephs and LB Arion Carter are second on the team in TFLs with 6.0.
- Pearce Jr. is a semifinalist for the Bednarik Award and Lombardi Award. He has been outstanding in six straight games against Arkansas, Florida, Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi State and Georgia. He registered a career-best nine tackles at Arkansas with two TFLs. In the win over Florida, Pearce had seven tackles, 0.5 sacks, one tackle for loss, one forced fumble and one fumble recovery. With Florida at the Tennessee 1-yard line looking to extend its lead to double digits, Pearce Jr. forced Florida QB Graham Mertz to fumble at the goal line, and then Pearce recovered that fumble to keep the Gators out of the endzone. It proved to be the difference in the game. Pearce Jr. was named SEC Co-Defensive Lineman of the Week for his efforts. Pearce had 1.5 tackles for loss and 1.5 sacks in the win against Alabama, including a sack of Jalen Milroe in the fourth quarter.
- **Pearce Jr.** has collected at least a half tackle for loss in seven straight games and at least one TFL in six straight contests. He's registered a combined 6.5 sacks and 8.0 tackles for loss in the last seven games.
- According to PFF, **Pearce** has tallied 45 total pressures this season, which is fourth among edge rushers in the FBS and leads the SEC. He had a season-high 10 total pressures in the win against Alabama.

#### SPECIAL TEAMS COVERAGE SUCCESS

- Tennessee has thrived on special teams under coordinator **Mike Ekeler**, who is in his fourth season with the program.
- The Vols have returned at least one punt <u>OR</u> one kickoff for a touchdown in all three previous seasons under Ekeler and **Josh Heupel**: Dee Williams (2023 PR vs. Texas A&M), Dee Williams (2022 PR at Vanderbilt) and Velus Jones Jr. (2021 KR vs. South Alabama).
- Tennessee has ranked either first or second in the SEC in punt return average in all three of Ekeler's previous seasons, and the Vols have been first in the league in punt return defense in two out of his three previous years. The Vols are currently third in the SEC in punt return average in 2024, putting up 15.1 yards per return, which is also 13th in the FBS.
- Under Ekeler, the Vols have produced an SEC Special Teams Player of the Year (RS Velus Jones Jr. in 2021), an SEC All-Freshman punter (**Jackson Ross** in 2023, back in 2024) and the school's all-time career leader in punt return average (Dee Williams 15.4 from 2022-23).
- Tennessee has blocked nine kicks in the Ekeler/Heupel era (2021-present), including six blocked punts. The Vols ranked third in the nation and first in the SEC with four blocked kicks during the 2023 season.
- Tennessee did it again in Week 1 vs. Chattanooga, as true freshman defensive end **Jordan Ross**, making his collegiate debut, blocked a punt and returned it 49 yards for a touchdown with 1:07 left in the fourth quarter. Ross was the first Vol to return a blocked punt for a touchdown since Daniel Bituli returned one 29 yards vs. South Carolina on Oct. 26, 2019.

#### Blocked Kicks/Punts In Josh Heupel Era (2021-pres.) (9 - 6 blocked punts, 2 blocked PAT, 1 blocked FG)

Date	Opponent	Play	Quarter
9/11/21	Pittsburgh	Christian Charles blocked punt	1Q
10/23/21	at Alabama	De'Shawn Rucker blocked punt	3Q
10/29/22	Kentucky	Da'Jon Terry blocked PAT	1Q
10/29/22	Kentucky	Kalib Perry blocked punt	2Q
9/16/23	at Florida	Omari Thomas blocked PAT	1Q
9/16/23	at Florida	Bryson Eason blocked 46-yd field goal attempt	1Q
9/23/23	UTSA	Jourdan Thomas blocked punt	1Q
11/25/23	Vanderbilt	Kalib Perry blocked punt	1Q
8/31/24	Chattanooga	Jordan Ross blocked punt, returned 13 yds for TD	4Q

#### **NOTING THE OFFENSIVE LINE**

- Tennessee's offensive line has been named a semifinalist for the Joe Moore Award for the third consecutive seasons. The Vols joined Oregon as the only programs to be named semifinalists in 2022, 2023 and 2024.
- Four of the five starters on last year's line returned in 2024 headlined by preseason All-American center
   Cooper Mays (fifth year). He's joined by tackle John Campbell Jr. (seventh collegiate year, second at UT),
   right guard Javontez Spraggins (fifth year). Andrej Karic (fifth collegiate year, second at UT) and Jackson
   Lampley (sixth year) started at guard in 2023.



- The Vols brought in former five-star recruit **Lance Heard** to play offensive tackle. Heard joined the squad in January and was an SEC All-Freshman selection at LSU last season.
- UT's 2024 offensive line has combined for 163 collegiate starts led by guard **Javontez Spraggins'** 47.
- Mays has twice earned SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week honors this
  season, doing so following the Vols' dominant 51-10 win over NC State on
  Sept. 7 and the 24-17 win over Alabama on Oct. 19. Mays has not allowed a
  sack in 23 straight games. Eleven times in the Josh Heupel era someone has
  earned SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week, including three times by Mays.
- Mays was also recognized as the Outland Trophy Player of the Week following the Vols' win over Mississippi State.

#### 2,000 RUSH YARDS FOR FOURTH STRAIGHT SEASON

- Josh Heupel's Tennessee teams have gone over 2,000 rushing yards for now four straight seasons. They hit that mark this season in the ninth game of the year vs. Mississippi State on Nov. 9. It's the second straight year that the Vols are the first SEC team to reach 2,000 rushing yards.
- The Vols head into the UTEP contest with 2,226 rushing yards, and they lead the SEC in rushing for the second straight season with 226.2 yards per game.
- It's the first time since 1989-94 (six straight seasons) that the Vols have produced more than 2,000 rushing yards in at least four straight seasons.
- In now seven seasons as a head coach, Josh Heupel's teams have gone over 2,000 rushing yards all seven seasons. His UCF teams rushed for 3,448 in 2018; 2,909 in 2019 and 2,107 during the COVID-shortened season of 2020.

#### **BOWL ELIGIBLE FOR FOURTH STRAIGHT SEASON UNDER HEUPEL**

- With the Third Saturday in October victory over Alabama, Tennessee secured bowl eligibility for the fourth consecutive season under Josh Heupel. It's the longest streak of bowl-eligible seasons for the program since making 16 straight bowl appearances from 1989-2004.
- Heupel is the first Tennessee coach since Phillip Fulmer (1993-96) to lead
  the Vols to bowl eligibility in each of his first four seasons. He is the third
  all-time to do it at Tennessee, joining Fulmer and Bill Battle (1970-73). Note:
  Gen. Robert Neyland began his career in the pre-bowl, pre-SEC era, while
  John Barnhill's first four teams produced winning records from 1941-45 but
  did not go to bowls.

#### SCORING ON THE FIRST OFFENSIVE PLAY FROM SCRIMMAGE

- Five times during the **Josh Heupel** era (2021-present), Tennessee has scored on its first offensive play from scrimmage to start a game.
- The Vols did it twice in 2023. RB Jaylen Wright was the latest to join the party, bursting through for 75 yards to start the game and put the Vols up 7-0 vs. No. 1 Georgia on Nov. 18, 2023.

#### Scoring on UT's First Offensive Play From Scrimmage In Josh Heupel Era

Date	Opponent	Play	Result
9/11/21	Pittsburgh	Jabari Small 2-yd TD run following blocked punt	L, 41-34
11/6/21	at Kentucky	JaVonta Payton 75-yd TD reception from H. Hooker	W, 45-42
9/1/22	Ball State	Jalin Hyatt 23-yd TD reception from H. Hooker	W, 59-10
9/23/23	UTSA	Joe Milton III 81-yd TD run	W, 45-14
11/18/23	Georgia	Jaylen Wright 75-yd TD run	L, 38-10

#### **FAST STARTS IN HEUPEL ERA**

- Tennessee outscores opponents 536-185 in the first quarter under **Josh Heupel**, including 190-51 in 2021, 141-72 in 2022, 110-46 in 2023 and 95-16 this season. The Vols have scored at least one touchdown in the first quarter in 39 of 49 games under Heupel.
- Josh Heupel teams are known for quick starts. In 85 games as a head coach, Heupel's squads have outscored opponents 983-399 in the first quarter (536-185 at UT, 447-214 at UCF). Since 2018, no active Power 4 head coach scores more points per first quarter in a career than Heupel (11.56).
- From 2021-present under Heupel, the Vols are first in the nation in firstquarter scoring at 10.94 points per game. SMU is second at 9.88, and Ole Miss is third at 9.86.
- Heupel's teams have scored at least one touchdown in the first quarter in 72 of the 85 games he has coached.
- In 2024, Tennessee is outscoring opponents an outstanding 95-16 in the first quarter and 193-53 in the first half.
- In total, the Volunteers have conceded just 50 first-half points in their last 11 games (five field goals, five touchdowns and five extra points).

#### **TIGHT ENDS THRIVE IN HEUPEL SYSTEM**

- Tennessee's tight ends have been productive under coach Alec Abeln. Vol tight ends have scored at least one touchdown in seven out of the last 12 games dating back to last season's Vanderbilt contest. They have combined for nine touchdowns during that 12-game stretch and six this season -- five receiving and one rushing.
- A new look tight end room features RS-Fr. Ethan Davis, Notre Dame transfer Holden Staes and Alabama transfer Miles Kitselman. Each has caught at least one touchdown this season. Kitselman leads the way with three receiving scores and a rush score.
- **Kitselman** had a career-best outing on Nov. 2 vs. Kentucky, reeling in a career-best six catches for a game-and career-high 97 yards, including a six-yard grab with 33 seconds to go in the third quarter. The 97 receiving yards were the most by a Vol tight end in a single game since Mychal Rivera had 129 vs. Missouri on Nov. 10, 2012.
- **Kitselman** added to that total at Georgia on Nov. 16, catching four passes for 48 yards, but the highlight came at the goal line in the first quarter as he plunged over the top from 1-yard out to put the Vols on the board first.
- Through nine games this season, Tennessee tight ends have combined for 35 catches for 350 yards and five touchdowns.
- In the Josh Heupel era (since 2021), tight ends have accounted for 27 touchdowns 21 receiving and six rushing. From 2018-20, UT tight ends combined for six scores.

#### THORPE SEMIFINALIST MCCOY, BROOKS LEAD SECONDARY

- Tennessee is tied for ninth in the nation and third in the SEC in fewest touchdown passes allowed this season with eight. Texas is first with three allowed.
- The longest pass play that Tennessee has allowed this season was 46 yards by Oklahoma. The Vols have allowed only five pass plays of over 30 yards this season, which is tied for second in the nation and second in the SEC. Texas is first with four.
- In terms of 40+ yard pass plays, Tennessee is one of only four teams in the nation who have allowed only one, joining Indiana and Penn State.
- A big part of that success has come from Oregon State transfer cornerback Jermod McCoy, who has been named a semifinalist for the Jim Thorpe Award. He is Tennessee's second under coach Josh Heupel and Willie Martinez, as Trevon Flowers was a semifinalist in 2022. McCoy was named the Jim Thorpe Award National Defensive Back of the Week following the Sept. 21 win at Oklahoma. McCoy registered three tackles, one pass breakup and one interception that he returned 17 yards. According to PFF, McCoy logged 48 coverage snaps and did not allow a completion all night, while registering a 0.0 passer grade.
- McCoy came up huge again in back-to-back weeks, including the overtime win vs. Florida on Oct. 12 and the Alabama win on Oct. 19. He was targeted five times and gave up only one completion vs. the Gators. He had three tackles and provided a key fourth-quarter pass breakup on fourth down that ended a Gator drive. Against rival Alabama, McCoy logged a teamhigh-tying eight tackles (five solo) to go along with 0.5 tackles for loss, one pass breakup and an incredible one-handed interception in the endzone on Alabama star Ryan Williams that prevented a touchdown in the first half. McCoy returned that interception 54 yards.
- McCoy ranks tied for fifth in the SEC in passes defended (9), seventh in pass breakups (7), and he is tied for 10th in the SEC in interceptions (2).
- Meanwhile, senior walk-on starting safety Will Brooks leads the Vols and ranks tied for fourth in the SEC in interceptions with three. The Burlsworth Trophy semifinalist's 152 interception return yards ranks second in the FBS behind only Navy's Dashaun Peele's 166. All three of Brooks' interceptions have come at critical times and shifted momentum.
- **Brooks** was named the Burlsworth Trophy Walk-On of the Week following the Oct. 19 victory over Alabama. He led all Vols with eight tackles (five solo), two of which saved touchdowns, and added one tackle for loss as the Vols beat the Crimson Tide, 24-17. Brooks iced the game with a diving interception with 1:24 to play, and Tennessee was able to run out the clock for the victory. He also made a critical shoestring tackle in the first quarter on Alabama quarterback Jalen Milroe that prevented a long touchdown. According to Pro Football Focus, Brooks was the highest graded defender in the game at 84.1.
- With Tennessee up 14-10 on Kentucky on Nov. 2, Brooks intercepted a pass and returned it 67 yards with 1:11 in the third quarter all the way down to the UK 10-yard line. The Vols scored a touchdown two plays later and eventually put the game away.

#### 13 FIRST-TIME STARTERS IN 2024

- The Vols have produced 13 first-time starters this season, including nine on defense and four on offense.
- Seven players made their first Tennessee starts in the opener vs. Chattanooga on Aug. 31, including three on offense and four on defense. They included: WR Chris Brazzell II (also made eight starts at Tulane), LB Arion Carter, STAR DB Christian Harrison, OL Lance Heard, TE Miles Kitselman, DB Jermod McCoy (five starts at Oregon State) and DB Jalen McMurray (23 starts at Temple).
- During its 51-10 blowout of No. 24/23 NC State on Sept. 7, DE Joshua Josephs and TE Holden Staes earned their first UT starts. Staes had previously started nine games in two seasons at Notre Dame.
- In the 23-17 overtime win over Florida on Oct. 12, three Vols earned their first career starts on defense, including LB Jeremiah Telander, LB Kalib Perry and DE Tyre West as part of UT's 4-3 look.
- True freshman DB **Boo Carter** got his first start at STAR in the 28-18 victory over Kentucky on Nov. 2.
- Tennessee did not have any first-time starters vs. Kent State, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Alabama, Mississippi State or Georgia.

#### **42 MAKE TENNESSEE DEBUT THIS SEASON**

- Thirty-seven players made their Tennessee debuts during the Chattanooga season opener, including 19 true freshmen: DB Kaleb Beasley, DB Colin Brazzell, DB Boo Carter, DB Edrees Farooq, DL Carson Gentle, OL Gage Ginther, DB Marcus Goree Jr., TE Cole Harrison, DL Isaiah Inge, RB Peyton Lewis, DL Kellen Lindstrom, DB Jackson Mathews, QB Jake Merklinger, OL Jesse Perry, DL Jordan Ross, OL William Satterwhite, LB Ryan Scott, LB Grier Short and OL Bennett Warren.
- Twelve transfers saw their first action as Vols in Week 1: DL Mike Bethea II
  (FBS debut), WR Chris Brazzell II, OL Lance Heard, TE Miles Kitselman, DB
  Jermod McCoy, DB Jalen McMurray, DL Jaxson Moi, LB Eli Purcell (FBS
  debut), TE Holden Staes, DB Jakobe Thomas, DL Jamal Wallace (FBS
  debut) and WR Tommy Winton III.
- Additionally, five redshirt freshmen made their collegiate debuts against the Mocs: RB DeSean Bishop, OL Ayden Bussell, PK Max Gilbert, WR Nate Spillman and DL Tyree Weathersby.
- Redshirt junior defensive lineman Tim Amet rounded out UT's 37 players to make their debut on Aug. 31.
- During the Vols' historic 71-0 blanking of Kent State on Sept. 14, five players made their UT debuts, including WR Braylon Harmon, WR Malcolm Kinzer, WR Mike Matthews, WR Braylon Staley and LB Edwin Spillman.

#### MODERN ERA RECORD FOR POINTS IN KENT ST. 71-0 SHUTOUT

- In a 71-0 blanking of Kent State on Sept. 14, Tennessee set modern era school records (since 1937) in total offensive yards (740), points in a game (71), points in a quarter (37 in first quarter), points in a half (65 in first half) and margin of victory (+71).
- Tennessee's 71 points broke the previous modern era top mark of 70 vs. UL-Monroe on Sept. 23, 2000 Including games before the modern era, it was the 11th time the Volunteers had ever scored 70-plus points in a game and the first since tallying 73 on Nov. 9, 1929, versus Carson-Newman, four years before Tennessee joined the SEC. The 71 points ranked 10th on the program's all-time list, regardless of era.
- The 71 vs. Kent State was the first time an SEC team scored 70-plus points in regulation against an FBS opponent since Ole Miss registered 73 versus Fresno State on Sept. 12, 2015.
- The Vols won by 70-plus points for the 10th time in program history, including the first in the modern era (since 1937).
- Tennessee amassed 740 total yards to set a school record, eclipsing the prior top mark of 724 against Missouri on Nov. 12, 2022. This was the second time in three outings in 2024 the Volunteers had posted 700-plus yards after previously doing so twice all-time. Tennessee had 718 yards, tied for its second-most ever, in its opener against Chattanooga on Aug. 31.
- Four of the top five yardage marks in Tennessee history are in the last three seasons under the direction of **Josh Heupel**. In addition to the three aforementioned games, the Volunteers notched 696 yards versus UT Martin on Oct. 22, 2022.
- The 740 yards by Tennessee against Kent State tied for the 10th-most in SEC history and for the fifth-highest such mark against an FBS foe.
- The Vols led 37-0 after one quarter of play vs. Kent State, setting a new program record for points in a period in the modern era (since 1937). The prior record was 35 in the first quarter against Arkansas on Nov. 11, 2000.

- Tennessee took a 65-0 lead into the halftime break to set a new school
  modern era (since 1937) record for points in a half. The prior mark, also
  under Heupel, was 52 on Oct. 22, 2022, in the first half versus UT Martin.
  Previously, the record in said era for points in a half against an FBS team was
  49 before the intermission against UL Monroe on Sept. 23, 2000.
- Per ESPN Stats and Info, Tennessee's 65 first-half points vs. Kent State marked the most in a half by any team in at least the last 20 seasons. Tennessee finished 11 points shy of the FBS record for points in a half. The all-time mark is 76 by Houston on Nov. 23, 1968, versus Tulsa.
- The Vols scored 50-plus points in the first three games of a season for the second time in school history and first since 1913. That year, UT beat Carson-Newman 58-0, Athens 95-0 and Maryville 75-0. UT joined 2018 Alabama as the only SEC programs to accomplish the 50-point feat in the AP Poll era.

#### **DUKE'S MAYO CLASSIC 51-10 WIN OVER #24/23 NC STATE**

- Tennessee earned its ninth win over an AP Top 25 opponent under **Josh Heupel** and its most lopsided win over a ranked foe in the Heupel era by a score of 51-0 vs. NC State on Sept. 7. The 41-point margin of victory was the highest for the Vols against any AP ranked team since defeating No. 9 Florida, 45-3, on Oct. 13, 1990.
- The win marked UT's highest margin of victory against a ranked opponent away from home since downing No. 18 Auburn, 42-0, on the road in Sept. 27. 1980.
- UT's 41-point margin of victory vs. NC State was its third-highest against a ranked opponent in school history since the AP poll began in 1936.
- Tennessee limited the Wolfpack to just 143 yards of total offense (104 passing, 39 rushing) the fewest yards allowed during the Josh Heupel era before breaking that mark a week later vs. Kent State (112).
- NC State's 143 yards of total offense were the fewest allowed by Tennessee against an AP ranked opponent since allowing 110 vs. No. 11 Auburn on Sept. 29, 1973.
- The 249 rushing yards by the Vols were the most allowed by NC State in a regular season game since North Carolina had 300 in November 2021.
   The 460 yards by the UT offense were the most allowed by NC State since Louisiana Tech had 480 on Oct. 2, 2021.

#### IN JOSH HEUPEL'S 85 GAMES AS A HEAD COACH (UCF & UT)

- His teams have scored 30 points 66 times (33 times at Tennessee) and own a 58-8 record when doing so.
- His teams have scored 40 points 43 times (23 times at Tennessee).
- His teams have scored 50 points 23 times (13 times at Tennessee).
- His teams have scored 60 points eight times (seven times at Tennessee).
- His teams have put up 400 yards of total offense in a game 69 times (35 times at Tennessee).
- His teams have put up 500 yards of total offense in a game 38 times (17 times at Tennessee).
- His teams have put up 600 yards of total offense in a game 21 times (nine times at Tennessee).
- His teams have put up 700 yards of total offense in a game four times (three at Tennessee).

#### Games Scoring 30+ Points Since 2018 By Active Head Coach

1. Lincoln Riley, Oklahoma, USC - 69

2. Josh Heupel, UCF, Tennessee - 66

3. Dabo Swinney, Clemson - 63

Games Scoring 40+ Points Since 2018 By Active Head Coach

1. Lincoln Riley, Oklahoma, USC - 51

2. Josh Heupel, UCF, Tennessee - 43

3. Dabo Swinney, Clemson - 42

#### **DEFENSIVE TOUCHDOWNS IN THE TIM BANKS ERA**

- Tennessee has a knack for racking up defensive touchdowns under defensive coordinator Tim Banks.
- This season, the Vols have one as Sr. S **Will Brooks** became the latest to join the party, returning an interception 85 yards for a touchdown to put Tennessee ahead 17-3 with 3:29 remaining in the second quarter vs. NC State on Sept. 7. It was Tennessee's first pick-six of the season and the eighth of the **Josh Heupel/Banks** era. The 85-yard return was the 10th-longest interception return in UT history and longest for the Vols since Daniel Bituli had a 97-vard pick-six at Alabama in 2017.
- Tennessee has tallied nine defensive touchdowns in the DC Tim Banks/HC Josh Heupel era. They are 7-0 when recording a defensive score:



Opponent	Date	Play
Tennessee Tech	9/18/21	Solon Page 31-yd interception return (3Q)
at Kentucky	11/6/21	Alontae Taylor 56-yd interception return (3Q)
Vanderbilt	11/27/21	Theo Jackson 55-yd interception return (1Q)
South Carolina	11/30/23	Kamal Hadden 28-yd interception return (2Q)
UConn	11/4/23	Tyler Baron 24-yd fumble return (2Q)
UConn	11/4/23	Jaylen McCollough 30-yd interception return (3Q)
UConn	11/4/23	Aaron Beasley 39-yard interception return (3Q)
Iowa (Citrus)	1/1/24	James Pearce Jr. 52-yard interception return (4Q)
NC State	9/7/24	Will Brooks 85-yard interception return (2Q)

#### **HEUPEL SEVENTH IN UT ALL-TIME VICTORIES**

- Since the start of the 2018 season when **Josh Heupel** became a head coach, he has won 63 of the 85 games he has coached. That ranks sixth among active FBS head coaches during that span.
- **Heupel** (35-13) surpassed Butch Jones (34-27) for seventh in all-time wins at Tennessee with the win over Mississippi State on Nov. 9.

#### **All-Time Tennessee Wins**

- 1. Gen. Robert Neyland 173-31-12
- 2. Phillip Fulmer 152-52
- 3. Johnny Majors 116-62-8
- 4. Bill Battle 59-22-2
- 5. Bowden Wyatt 49-29-4
- 6. Doug Dickey 46-15-4
- 7. Josh Heupel 35-14
- 8. Butch Jones 34-27
- Of **Heupel's** 35 victories at Tennessee, 11 have come vs. ranked opponents at the time of the meeting. The Vols had only seven ranked wins in the six seasons combined prior to Heupel (2015-20). The 11 ranked wins are third among active FBS head coaches since the start of the 2021 season. They are also the fifth most by a UT coach in AP poll history. Heupel surpassed Bill Battle in the category with the win at Oklahoma on Sept. 21.
- **Heupel** owns a 10-5 record vs. ranked teams since the start of the 2022 season, which is the third-best mark among active FBS coaches in that time frame (*min. at least two games vs. ranked teams*). Heupel also owns four wins over top 10 teams over the past three seasons.
- On Oct. 19, **Heupel** defeated rival Alabama for the second time in three seasons. No other coach in the nation has two victories against the Crimson Tide in the last seven seasons (2018-24).

#### Wins Since Start of 2018 Season Among Active FBS Head Coaches

- 1. Kirby Smart, Georgia 81
- 2. Dabo Swinney, Clemson 77
- 3. Brian Kelly, Notre Dame and LSU 70
- 4. Lincoln Riley, Oklahoma and USC 68
- 5. Luke Fickell, Cincinnati and Wisconsin 65

#### 6. Josh Heupel, UCF and Tennessee - 63

- 7. Ryan Day, Ohio State 62
- 8. James Franklin, Penn State 61
- 9. Kirk Ferentz, Iowa 58

#### Wins Over Ranked Teams By Active FBS Coaches Since Start 2021 Season

- 1. Kirby Smart, Georgia 19
- 2. Kalen DeBoer, Washington and Alabama 15
- 3. Josh Heupel, Tennessee 11
- 4. Marcus Freeman, Notre Dame 10
- 5. Dan Lanning, Oregon 9

Steve Sarkisian, Texas - 9

Mike Gundy, Oklahoma State - 9

#### All-Time Wins vs. AP Ranked Teams at Tennessee

- 1. Phillip Fulmer 40 (17 years)
- 2. Johnny Majors 18 (16 years)
- 3. Gen. Robert Neyland 16 (21 years)
- 4. Bowden Wyatt 12 (8 years)
- 5. Josh Heupel 11 (4 years)
- 6. Bill Battle 9 (7 years)
- 7. Doug Dickey 7 (6 years)

#### **GAMES WITH A 100-YARD RECEIVER AND 100-YARD RUSHER**

 Tennessee has produced 24 individual 100-yard receiving games in the Josh Heupel era. • Eight times in the Heupel era (since 2021) have the Vols produced a 100-yard receiver and 100-yard rusher in the same game. UT added to that total in Week 1 vs. Chattanooga when **Dylan Sampson** (rushing) and **Dont'e Thornton Jr.** (receiving) achieved the feat and then the duo did it again vs. Mississippi State on Nov. 9:

Date	Opponent	Rusher/Receiver	Result
10/9/21	So. Carolina	Evans (119)/Jones Jr. (103)	W, 45-20
11/27/21	Vanderbilt	Wright (112), Small (103)/Tillman (106)	W, 45-21
12/30/21	vs. Purdue	Small (180)/Tillman (150)	L, 48-45
9/24/22	#20 Florida	Hooker (112)/McCoy (102)	W, 38-33
10/8/22	at #25 LSU	Small (127)/McCoy (140)	W, 40-13
9/30/23	So. Carolina	Wright (123)/White (104)	W, 41-20
8/31/24	Chattanooga	Sampson (124)/Thornton Jr. (105)	W, 69-3
11/9/24	Miss. State	Sampson (149)/Thornton Jr. (104)	W, 33-14

#### SQUIRREL WHITE MOVING UP THE CHART

- Jr. WR **Squirrel White**, who is in his third season on the field, has entered the Tennessee career receptions top 10.
- White enters the UTEP game with 128 catches, which ranks seventh all-time in UT history.
- White hauled in a game-high six catches for 45 yards in his last contest at Georgia and leaped past four players: Tim McGee (123), Thomas Woods (124), Robert Meachem (125) and Jayson Swain (126).

#### **UT Career Receptions**

1. Joey Kent (1993-96) - 183

6. Gerald Jones (2007-10) - 142

7. Squirrel White (2022-pres.) - 128

#### POLLING POSITION, NO. 11 IN CFP RANKING

- Tennessee dropped to No. 11 in the Coaches poll and one spot to No. 10 in the AP Top 25. The Vols are in the top 10 of at least one poll for the 11th straight week.
- The Vols are ranked No. 11 in the latest College Football Playoff Rankings. Tennessee has been ranked in 15 consecutive editions of the CFP rankings dating back to Nov. 1, 2022.
- Tennessee has been ranked for 43 consecutive weeks in the Coaches poll, which dates back to Sept. 11, 2022. That streak is the Vols' longest in that poll since being ranked 92 straight weeks from Nov. 27, 1994 to Oct. 1, 2000.
- Since the start of the 2022 season, Tennessee owns 10 wins over ranked teams, a mark that is tied for fourth nationally during that span.

Week	AP	Coaches	CFP
Preseason	15	15	
Week 2 (9/3)	14	12	
Week 3 (9/8)	7	9	
Week 4 (9/15)	6	7	
Week 5 (9/22)	5	6	
Week 6 (9/29)	4	4	
Week 7 (10/6)	8	9	
Week 8 (10/13)	11	10	
Week 9 (10/20)	7	8	
Week 10 (10/27)	7	7	
Week 11 (11/3)	7	6	7
Week 12 (11/10)	6	4	7
Week 13 (11/17)	10	11	11

#### Wins Over Ranked Teams Since Start of 2022 Season

- 1. Georgia 13
- 2. Alabama 11

Washington - 11

4. Tennessee, Notre Dame - 10

#### **DEFENSIVE STREAK OF NOT ISSUING A TD ENDS AT 19 QUARTERS**

- Dating back to the 2024 Citrus Bowl vs. Iowa on Jan. 1, Tennessee went 19 consecutive quarters without allowing an offensive touchdown before Oklahoma crossed the goal line with 8:25 remaining in the fourth quarter on Sept. 21. It was the second-longest streak in program history, longest in the FBS in the last 20 years and longest for Tennessee since shutting out 15-straight opponents from Nov. 5, 1938 to Dec. 9, 1939.
- The Vols enter the UTEP game having allowed only 16 offensive touchdowns in the last 44 quarters.

#### **PILI OUT FOR REMAINDER OF SEASON**

- Tennessee Sr. LB **Keenan Pili** was a semifinalist for the William V. Campbell Trophy, college football's premier scholar-athlete award.
- **Pili** is one of seven Campbell Trophy semifinalists who have already earned a master's degree. Pili received his undergraduate degree in exercise science from BYU in December 2022 and earned his master's in agricultural leadership, education and communication from Tennessee in May 2024.
- Pili was the Vols' leading tackler entering the Florida game, but he suffered
  a season-ending torn ACL in the first quarter of the game and is missing the
  remainder of the season. It's the second straight year that Pili is out for the
  year with an injury. He was injured in the Virginia season opener last season.
  Pili has missed four straight games Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi State and
  Georgia.
- Pili is the second Vol defensive starter to be sidelined this season. S **Jourdan Thomas** suffered a season-ending knee injury during preseason camp.

#### WINS BY SEC TEAMS SINCE START OF 2022 SEASON

 Tennessee ranks fourth in wins among SEC programs since the start of the 2022 season.

#### Overall Wins By SEC Teams Since the Start of 2022 Season

- 1. Georgia 36
- 2. Alabama 31

Texas - 31 (2022, 2023 seasons were in Big 12)

#### 4. Tennessee - 28

5. LSU - 26

#### **SOLD OUT: 70,500 SEASON TICKETS PURCHASED AGAIN**

- Tennessee exhausted its football season ticket inventory for the second straight season with 70,500 purchased. The department sold out of tickets in May for the second consecutive year. The Vols also have a season ticket wait list of over 15,000.
- It marked the third time in the past 23 seasons that UT has sold out of its football season ticket inventory, doing so in August 2016 and in May 2023.
- Neyland Stadium is sold out for a 20th consecutive game vs. UTEP. That streak dates back to Sept. 17, 2022, vs. Akron.
- The Vols sold out all seven games last year and this year.

#### **Tennessee Athletics Strategic Plan Football Season Ticket Goals**

Year	Goal	Actual Sold
2022-23	56,000	61,490
2023-24	61,000	70,500 (sold out)
2024-25	68,000	70,500 (sold out)
2025-26	69,000	TBD
2026-27	70,000	TBD

#### TENNESSEE LED SEC IN ATTENDANCE IN 2023, SECOND IN 2024

- The 2023 season saw Neyland Stadium lead the SEC in both average attendance (101,915) and accumulated attendance (713,405). Those marks also ranked fourth and third in the nation, respectively.
- It was the first time since the 2006 season that Tennessee sold out every home game of a season. It was also Neyland's highest average attendance for a season since the 2007 mark of 103,918.
- This season, the Vols are fifth in the nation in average attendance and second in the SEC (101,915). Texas is first in the SEC (102,315) and Michigan tops the FBS (110,650).

### 2023 Accumulated Attendance

#### FBS Rnk. School - Att.

- 1. Michigan 769,797 (7 games)
- 2. Penn State 758,864 (7 games)
- 3. Tennessee 713,405 (7 games)

### 2023 Average Attendance

- FBS Rnk. School Att. 1. Michigan - 109,971
- 2. Penn State 108,409
- 3. Ohio State 103,792
- 4. Tennessee 101,915



## **QUICK FACTS**

Location (Founded): Knoxville, Tenn. (1794)

Conference: Southeastern Enrollment: 36,304 Colors: Orange & White Nickname: Volunteers Mascot: Smokey XI

Band: Pride of the Southland
Chancellor: Donde Plowman
Director of Athletics: Danny White
Facility (Opened): Neyland Stadium (1921)
Capacity: 101,915 (Sixth-largest in CFB)
On-Field Record at Neyland: 497-142-17 (.770)
NCAA Record at Neyland: 491^-142-17 (.768)
First Year of Football: 1891 (128th season)
All-Time NCAA Record: 873^-416-54 (.670)
All-Time SEC NCAA Record: 355^-235-19 (.598)
All-Time SEC On-Field Record: 363-235-19 (.603)
SEC Championships: 13

(1998, 1997, 1990, 1989, 1985, 1969, 1967, 1956, 1951, 1946, 1940, 1939, 1938)

**SEC Eastern Division Championships:** 5 (2007, 2004, 2001, 1998, 1997)

SEC Championship Games: 5 National Championships: 6 (1998, 1967, 1951, 1950, 1940, 1938) BCS Titles: 1 (1998)

^ - denotes 11 wins from 2019-20 were vacated by

## **ALL-TIME NCAA WINS (FBS)**

Rank	Team	Wins
1.	Michigan	1,009
2.	Alabama*	973
	Ohio State*	973
4.	Notre Dame*	957
5.	Texas	956
6.	Oklahoma	949
7.	Penn State	939
8.	Nebraska	922
9	Georgia	889
10.	USC*	880
11.	Tennessee*	873
12.	LSU*	813

<sup>\*</sup> Teams who have vacated wins

## **ACADEMIC SUCCESS**

straight fall semesters with a program-record GPA

Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll accolades in the **Josh Heupel** era (since fall 2021)

5 2023 CSC Academic All-District Team recipients (program record, most SEC)

SCS Academic All-Americans in the Josh Heupel era (since fall 2021; Paxton Brooks twice, Matthew Butler)

#### **300-YARD PASSERS, 100-YARD RUSHERS, 100-YARD RECEIVERS**

#### **300-YARD PASSING PERFORMANCES**

#### Nico lamaleava (1 career, 1 in 2024)

Yds	Opponent	Date	Score	
314	Chattanooga	8/31/24	W. 69-3	

#### 100-YARD RUSHING PERFORMANCES

#### Dylan Sampson (12 career, 9 in 2024)

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Yds	Opponent	Date	Score
149	Mississippi State	11/9/24	W, 33-14
142	Kentucky	11/2/24	W, 28-18
139	Alabama	10/19/24	W, 24-17
139	UTSA	9/23/23	W, 45-14
138	at Arkansas	10/5/24	L, 14-19
133	vs. lowa	1/1/24	W, 35-0
132	vs. NC State	9/7/24	W, 51-10
131	at Vanderbilt	11/26/22	W, 56-0
124	Chattanooga	8/31/24	W, 69-3
112	Florida	10/12/24	W, 23-17 (OT)
101	at Georgia	11/16/24	L, 17-31
101	Kent State	9/14/24	W, 71-0

#### DeSean Bishop (1 career, 1 in 2024)

Yds	Opponent	Date	Score	
120	Kent State	9/14/24	W, 71-0	

#### **100-YARD RECEIVING PERFORMANCES**

#### Chris Brazzell II (2 career, 0 at UT, 0 in 2024)

Yds	Opponent	Date	Score
*103	FAU	11/18/23	W, 24-8
*103	at Memphis	10/13/23	W, 31-21
* - den	otes produced at Tulane		

#### Bru McCoy (3 career, 3 at UT, 0 in 2024)

Yds	Opponent	Date	Score
140	at LSU	10/8/22	W, 40-13
111	Missouri	11/12/22	W, 66-24
102	Florida	9/24/22	W, 38-33

#### Dont'e Thornton Jr. (3 career, 2 at UT, 2 in 2024)

Yds	Opponent	Date	Score	•
*151	Utah	11/19/22	W, 20-17	
105	Chattanooga	8/31/24	W, 69-3	
104	Mississippi State	11/9/24	W, 33-14	
* - den	otes produced at Orego	n		

#### Squirrel White (5 career, 0 in 2024)

Yds	Opponent	Date	Score
122	UT Martin	10/22/22	W, 65-24
111	at Alabama	10/21/23	L, 20-34
110	Vanderbilt	11/25/23	W, 48-24
108	vs. Clemson	12/30/22	W, 31-14
104	South Carolina	9/30/23	W, 41-20

#### **GRADUATES**

• A total of 15 Volunteers on the 2024 team have earned their degrees and are wearing the graduate patch on their jersey this fall.

Degree (1)	School Earned
Finance	Tennessee (May 2024)
Criminology	Miami (Dec. 2021)
Sport Management	Tennessee (Aug. 2024)
Supply Chain Management	Tennessee (May 2023)
Communication Studies	Tennessee (Aug. 2024)
Management	Tennessee (Dec. 2023)
Sport Management	Tennessee (May 2024)
Communication Studies	Tennessee (Aug. 2024)
Supply Chain Management	Tennessee (May 2024)
Exercise Science	BYU (Dec. 2022)
Ag Leadership, Education, Comm^	Tennessee (May 2024)
Kinesiology	Tennessee (Dec. 2023)
Communication Studies	Tennessee (May 2024)
Communication Studies	Tennessee (Dec. 2023)
Sociology	Tennessee (Dec. 2023)
Journalism and Electronic Media	Tennessee (May 2024)
	Criminology Sport Management Supply Chain Management Communication Studies Management Sport Management Communication Studies Supply Chain Management Exercise Science Ag Leadership, Education, Comm^ Kinesiology Communication Studies Communication Studies Sociology

<sup>^ -</sup> denotes master's degree

#### **MOUNTAIN STRONG**

• Beginning with the Arkansas game on Oct. 5, Tennessee is wearing "Mountain Strong" decals on the back of its helmets to honor all of those impacted by Hurricane Helene. "Mountain Strong" merchandise is available for purchase at Vol Shop and Alumni Hall and all proceeds will go to charity to benefit those affected by the storm. Tennessee has raised over \$200,000 in merchandise sales for disaster relief funds.



NCAA Committee on Infractions penalty ruling in July 2023

## NEYLAND STADIUM

PRESERVED BY DILOT



CAPACITY: 101.915 | OVERALL ON-FIELD RECORD AT NEYLAND STADIUM: 497-142-17 (.771) // OVERALL NGAA RECORD AT NEYLAND STADIUM: 491-142-17 (.769)

#### **STADIUM NOTES**

#### THE NEYLAND EFFECT

Neyland Stadium is once again one of the nation's most electric environments and toughest places to play for visiting teams. Over the past three seasons, the Vols are 19-1 inside of its confines. In the Josh Heupel era (since 2021), UT is 24-4 at home and has outscored opponents 1,209-510.

Neyland Stadium has now been sold out for 19 consecutive games. Tennessee has ranked in the top five nationally in attendance in each of the last two seasons, ranking No. 3 in total attendance (713,405) and No. 4 in average attendance (101,915) in 2023. The Vols led the SEC in attendance in 2023.

# NEYLAND STADIUM HOME OF THE VOLS. PROUDLY PRESERVED BY PILOT.

Neyland Stadium has been home of the Vols for more than 100 years and that legacy will live on thanks to a transformative partnership with Tennessee Athletics and Knoxville-based Pilot, the largest network of travel centers in North America. Under the terms of the agreement, which is slated for up to 20 years and could extend further, the names of Neyland Stadium and Shields-Watkins Field will remain unchanged. Pilot is designated as the presenting partner of the Neyland Stadium renovation project and the official travel stop of Tennessee Athletics.

Future updates will include necessary upgrades to the south side and perimeter of the stadium, such as widening concourses, constructing expanded gates and entryways, and adding additional restrooms and concessions areas. This element of the partnership will dramatically improve fan comfort and safety, reduce wait times, and allow for more food and beverage offerings. There will also be a Pilot-sponsored Fast Favorites refreshment and snack stand located inside the main stadium entrance at Gate 21.

#### THE RETURN OF V-O-L-S

During the 2022 season, the iconic V-O-L-S letters returned on the south end of Neyland Stadium. Two sets with an orange background and white lettering were installed as part of stadium upgrades under the leadership of Vice Chancellor/Director of Athletics Danny White. A V-O-L-S history:

#### Summer 1966

The 8-foot tall backlighted VOLS letters—originally with orange lettering and a white background—were installed at the top of the stadium on the south side. From summer 1966 until 1978, they were lit every evening. Beginning in 1978, they were turned off—with the exception of during night football games—as part of an energy conservation program.

#### Summer 1976

As part of renovations prior to the 1976 season, the design of the letters shifted to white lettering with orange background.

#### Summer 1999

Neyland Stadium installed its first edition of a videoboard, and the letters are moved to the top of the videoboard. The design of the letters also shifted to orange lettering with white background.

#### Summer 2009

Due to Neyland Stadium's videoboard being replaced, the letters were removed entirely from the stadium for the first time since the 1965 season.

#### November 2010

The version of letters that overlooked Neyland Stadium from 1999 to 2009 were auctioned off to Copper Cellar Family of Restaurants through United Way of Greater Knoxville's online auction.



#### STADIUM OUICK FACTS

#### **ALL-TIME STADIUM WIN PCT.**

1. Bryant-Denny Stadium (Alabama)	.844 (303-55-3)
2. Albertsons Stadium (Boise State)	.825 (292-62)
3. Memorial Stadium (Oklahoma)	.818 (422-88-15)
4. Paulson Stadium (Georgia Southern)	.810 (217-51)
5. Edwards Stadium (Marshall)	.809 (186-44)
6. Ohio Stadium (Ohio State)	.801 (479-112-19)
7. Beaver Stadium (Penn State)	.797 (321-82)
8. Sanford Stadium (Georgia)	.778 (386-107-9)
9. Jordan-Hare Stadium (Auburn)	.775 (349-99-7)
10. Kidd Brewer Stadium (Appalachian State)	.769 (276-81-5)
11. Neyland Stadium (Tennessee)	.769 (491-142-17)
12. Michigan Stadium (Michigan)	.768 (464-135-15)

#### **LARGEST CFB STADIUMS**

1. Michigan Stadium (Michigan)	107,601	
2. Beaver Stadium (Penn State)	106,572	
3. Ohio Stadium (Ohio State)	102,780	
4. Kyle Field (Texas A&M)	102,733	
5. Tiger Stadium (LSU)	102,321	
6. Neyland Stadium (Tennessee)	101,915	
7. Bryant-Denny Stadium (Alabama)	101,821	
8. Darrell K. Royal Memorial Stadium (Texas)	100,119	
9. Sanford Stadium (Georgia)	92,746	
10. Rose Bowl (UCLA)	91,136	

## "QUOTES"

#### ABOUT NEYLAND STADIUM

"The big games I played in Neyland Stadium are right up there with the Super Bowl. It is still one of the most electric atmospheres I have ever experienced, and the passion of the fans is what makes the difference"

#### - Peyton Manning, Hall of Famer

"To be here in a primetime setting, this is as good as it gets if you are a college football fan. It is wild in here right now. ... Still thinking about Neyland this morning. The brick around the stadium inside the tunnel with the banners, the stadium is massive but has like a 'friendly confines' kind of feel where it doesn't seem as big as it is. Throw in the passion and game ops. it's just incredible!"

#### - Kirk Herbstreit, ESPN (Nov. 2022)

"Take anybody that's never been to a game in Knoxville and let them experience that with neutral glasses on and they will be blown away. The campus, the Vol Navy, when you pull into town, the stadium, the mascot, the uniforms, the crowd, the fight song, all of it. There is no way you can't be impressed when you go to a game in Knoxville."

## - Cole Cubelic, ESPN/SEC Network analyst

"The noise was a constant, oppressive force. I could literally feel it on my skin. But these fans weren't just loud on the first drive. Or just on 3rd down. Or just in the fourth quarter. It was every. single. play."

## - Ty Darlington, former Oklahoma offensive lineman (2015)

"Last year when we went to play Tennessee in Neyland Stadium, that was probably the best game experience I've had and probably will ever have. That's a different type of loud. I can't even describe it. It was unbelievable."

- Baker Mayfield, former Oklahoma quarterback (2015)

## COACH JOSH HEUPEL Fourth Season • @CoachJoshHeupel



- 2022 Associated Press SEC Coach of the Year
- 2022, 2018 National Coach of the Year Finalist
- Coached in three national title games and 19 bowl games
- 13 NFL Draft picks last three seasons
- Won eight conference championships
- One of only four active FBS HC to lead multiple programs to New Year's Six bowl appearances in the CFP era
- 2000 National Champion QB and Heisman finalist

Former national champion quarterback Josh Heupel took the reins of Tennessee football in 2021 and has guided the proud program to a national resurgence. The 2022 SEC Coach of the Year and two-time National Coach of the Year finalist was officially announced as the Volunteers' 27th head football coach on Jan. 27, 2021, by Vice Chancellor/Director of Athletics Danny White, who he worked alongside at UCF. On Jan. 24, 2023, White announced a contract extension for Heupel through January 2029.

Taking over a program coming off a 3-7 season and the departure of several players prior to his arrival, Heupel instilled a strong culture built on trust, accountability and relationships. He combined those pillars with the nation's top offense and an attacking defense. In now his fourth season, Heupel's remarkable revival of the Volunteers has seen him produce a 35-14 overall record, 11 victories over Top 25 teams, the program's first New Year's Six berth in the College Football Playoff era and back-to-back top-20 poll finishes. From 2022-23, Heupel guided Tennessee to its winningest two-year stretch (20) since 2003-04. Heupel joined Bill Battle and Phillip Fulmer as the only three coaches in program history to lead UT to bowl berths in each of their first three seasons. Heupel's .723 winning percentage is the second-highest by a Vol coach in the last five decades (minimum two seasons coached). The 2022 season saw Heupel's Vols finish No. 6 in the final polls with an 11-win season. That year the Vols ascended to the No. 1 ranking for the first time since the 1998 national title.

Player development has been evident in the Heupel era. Thirteen Vols have been selected in the last three NFL Drafts combined, which is the highest three-year span of picks for UT in nearly two decades. Tennessee is one of just two programs in the last five years with a quarterback selected in back-to-back drafts.

The Vols' on-field success has correlated in the classroom as Tennessee has shattered the program record for GPA in three consecutive fall semesters under Heupel. The fall of 2023 saw the Vols produce a program-record 63 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipients, representing the second-most in the SEC.

### HEUPEL YEAR-BY-YEAR HEAD COACHING RECORD

Year	Team	Overall	Conf.	Notable
2018	UCF	12-1	9-0^	AAC Champs, Fiesta Bowl, #11 AP, #12 Coaches
2019	UCF	10-3	6-2	Gasparilla Bowl, #24 AP, #24 Coaches
2020	UCF	6-4	5-3	Boca Raton Bowl (COVID-19 shortened season)
2021	Tennessee	7-6	4-4	Music City Bowl, winningest 1st-year coach in P5
2022	Tennessee	11-2	6-2	Orange Bowl champs, #6 AP, #6 Coaches
2023	Tennessee	9-4	4-4	Citrus Bowl champs, #17 AP, #17 Coaches
2024	Tennessee	8-2	5-2	#11 CFP, bowl eligible 4th straight year
Overall	7 seasons	ons 63-22 (.741) 41-17		6 Bowl Games, 1 AAC Championship

Year

2024 (Tennessee)

2023 (Tennessee)

2022 (Tennessee)

2021 (Tennessee)

2020 (UCF)

2019 (UCF)

2018 (UCF)

2017 (Mizzou)

2016 (Mizzou)

UCF 3 seasons 28-8 20-5 Tennessee 4 seasons 35-14(.714) 19-12

- \* denotes COVID-19 shortened season
- ^ denotes includes The American Championship Game

## PROLIFIC OFFENSES UNDER HEUPEL

#### TOTAL OFFENSE YPG **FBS** Conf. Year 2024 (Tennessee) 455.7 12 3 2023 (Tennessee) 448.1 19 4 2022 (Tennessee) 525.5 9 2021 (Tennessee) 474.9 3 2020 (UCF) 2 5681 2019 (UCF) 540.5 522.7 5 2018 (UCF) 2017 (Mizzou) 502.2 8 500.5 13 2016 (Mizzou)

	RUSHING		
Year	YPG	FBS	Conf.
2024 (Tennessee)	226.2	10	1
2023 (Tennessee)	204.8	9	1
2022 (Tennessee)	199.5	26	6
2021 (Tennessee)	217.8	11	2
2020 (UCF)	210.7	25	3
2019 (UCF)	223.8	19	3
2018 (UCF)	265.2	8	3
2017 (Mizzou)	193.5	36	6
2016 (Mizzou)	205.1	38	8

	<b>PASSING</b>		
Year	YPG	FBS	Conf.
2024 (Tennessee)	229.5	66	10
2023 (Tennessee)	243.2	50	8
2022 (Tennessee)	326.1	5	1
2021 (Tennessee)	257.1	40	4
2020 (UCF)	357.4	4	1
2019 (UCF)	316.7	8	1
2018 (UCF)	257.5	37	4
2017 (Mizzou)	308.6	14	2
2016 (Mizzou)	295.4	20	2

**SCORING OFFENSE** 

**PPG** 

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**FBS** 

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#### THE HEUPEL FILE

#### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name: Joshua Kenneth Heupel **Born:** March 22. 1978 (age 46) Hometown: Aberdeen, South Dakota Education: Oklahoma, 2001 (bachelor's in

business marketing) Wife: Dawn

Children: Hannah, Jace

#### **PLAYING HISTORY**

1997: Weber State, quarterback 1998: Snow College, quarterback 1999-2000: Oklahoma, quarterback

#### COACHING HISTORY

2003-04: Oklahoma, Graduate Assistant 2005: Arizona, Tight Ends 2006-10: Oklahoma, Quarterbacks 2011-14: Oklahoma, Co-Offensive Coordinator/ Quarterbacks

2015: Utah State, Assistant Head Coach/ Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks 2016-17: Missouri. Offensive Coordinator/QBs 2018-20: UCF, Head Coach

2021-present: Tennessee, Head Coach

#### **NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (1)**

2000 - Oklahoma (player)

#### **CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS (8)**

2018 AAC - UCF (head coach) 2012 Big 12 - Oklahoma (co-offensive coordinator/QBs)

2010 Big 12 - Oklahoma (quarterbacks) 2008 Big 12 - Oklahoma (quarterbacks)

2007 Big 12 - Oklahoma (quarterbacks) 2006 Big 12 - Oklahoma (quarterbacks)

2004 Big 12 - Oklahoma (graduate assistant)

2000 Big 12 - Oklahoma (player)

#### **BOWL GAME APPEARANCES AS A COACH (19)**

2024 Citrus Bowl - Tennessee 2022 Orange Bowl - Tennessee 2021 Music City Bowl - Tennessee 2020 Boca Raton Bowl - UCF 2019 Gasparilla Bowl - UCF

2019 Fiesta Bowl - UCF

2017 Texas Bowl - Missouri

2015 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl - Utah State

2014 Russell Athletic Bowl - Oklahoma

2014 Sugar Bowl - Oklahoma

2013 Cotton Bowl - Oklahoma

2011 Insight Bowl - Oklahoma

2011 Fiesta Bowl - Oklahoma

2009 Sun Bowl - Oklahoma

2009 BCS National Championship Game -

Oklahoma

2008 Fiesta Bowl - Oklahoma

2007 Fiesta Bowl - Oklahoma

2005 BCS National Championship Game Orange

Bowl - Oklahoma

2004 BCS National Championship Game Sugar Bowl - Oklahoma

#### **BOWL GAME APPEARANCES AS A PLAYER (2)**

2001 BCS National Championship Game Orange Bowl - Oklahoma

1999 Independence Bowl - Oklahoma

## <del>l</del>eupel era Highs

Rushing Yards - 458 at Missouri, 10/2/21

Rushing Yards per Attempt - 11.7 at Vanderbilt, 11/26/22 Rushing Touchdowns - 6 (2x), last vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

Passing Yards - 495 vs. UT Martin, 10/22/22

Passing Yards per Attempt - 17.5 vs. Akron, 9/17/22

Passing Touchdowns - 5 (3x), last vs. UT Martin, 10/22/22

First Downs - 36 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24 **Total Plays** - 105 vs. Purdue, 12/30/21

Total Offense - 740 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

Yards Per Play - 10.0 vs. UConn, 11/4/23 Points Scored - 71 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

#### TEAM - DEFENSIVE

Fewest Rushing Yards Allowed - 32 vs. Bowling Green, 9/2/21 Fewest Passing Yards Allowed - 58 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

Fewest Total Yards Allowed - 112 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 Fewest First Downs Allowed - 8 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

**Sacks** - 7 vs. Austin Peay, 9/9/23

Interceptions - 4 vs. Tennessee Tech, 9/18/21

Forced Fumbles - 2 (5x), last vs. Florida, 10/12/24 Fumbles Recovered - 2 (3x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24 Tackles For Loss - 14 vs. Austin Peay, 9/9/23

Pass Breakups - 8 at Kentucky, 11/6/21 **QB Hurries** - 16 at Pitt, 9/10/22

#### **INDIVIDUAL - OFFENSIVE**

Rushing Yards - 180, Jabari Small vs. Purdue, 12/30/21

Rushing Touchdowns - 4, Dylan Sampson vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

Longest Rush - 92, Tiyon Evans at Missouri, 10/2/21

Pass Completions - 28 (2x), last Nico lamaleava vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24 Completion % (min. 20 att.) - 85.0 (17-20), Joe Milton III at Kentucky, 10/28/23 Passing Yards - 385, Hendon Hooker vs. Alabama, 10/15/21

Passing Touchdowns - 5 (2x), last Hendon Hooker vs. Alabama, 10/15/22

Longest Pass - 83, Joe Milton III to Squirrel White vs. UConn, 11/4/23

Receptions - 11, Jalin Hyatt at Pitt, 9/10/22 Receiving Yards - 207, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22

Receiving Touchdowns - 5, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22

#### **INDIVIDUAL - DEFENSIVE**

Total Tackles - 20, Jeremy Banks vs. Purdue, 12/30/21

**Sacks** - 2.5, Byron Young at LSU, 10/8/22

Tackles for Loss - 5.0, Aaron Beasley vs. Austin Peay, 9/9/23

#### **INDIVIDUAL - SPECIAL TEAMS**

Longest Kick Return - 96, Velus Jones Jr. vs. South Alabama, 11/20/21

Longest Punt Return - 73, Dee Williams at Vanderbilt, 11/26/22

Punt Return Touchdowns - 1 (3x), last Dee Williams vs. Texas A&M, 10/14/23

Blocked Kicks - 2 (2x), last at Florida (1 FG, 1 PAT), 9/16/23

Punts Blocked - 1 (6x), last Jordan Ross vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

Longest Punt - 71, Jackson Ross at Alabama, 10/21/23

Longest Field Goal - 52, Max Gilbert at Georgia, 11/16/24

## FAST. FUN. REA

## vards of total offense

Missouri (683) - 10/2/21 Purdue (666) - 12/30/21 Akron (676) - 9/17/22 UT Martin (696) - 10/22/22 Missouri (724) - 11/12/22 UConn (650) - 11/4/23 Vanderbilt (617) - 11/25/23 Chattanooga (718) - 8/31/24 Kent State (740) - 9/14/24

# rushing

Bowling Gr. (331) - 9/2/21 Purdue (378) - 12/30/21 Missouri (458) - 10/2/21 Vanderbilt (285) - 11/27/21 Purdue (288) - 12/30/21 at Vanderbilt (362) - 11/26/22 vs. Virginia (287) - 9/2/23 UTSA (303) - 9/23/23 UConn (275) - 11/4/23 Chattanooga (304) - 8/31/24 Kent State (456) - 9/14/24

# vards

passing

Akron (438) - 9/17/22 #3 Alabama (385) - 10/15/22 UT Martin (495) - 10/22/22 Missouri (460) - 11/12/22 UConn (375) - 11/4/23 Vanderbilt (449) - 11/25/23 Chattanooga (414) - 8/31/24

## point games

Missouri (62) - 10/2/21 South Ala. (60) - 11/20/21 Akron (63) - 9/17/22 UT Martin (65) - 10/22/22 Missouri (66) - 11/12/22 Chattanooga (69) - 8/31/24 Kent State (71) - 9/14/24

## ranked wins

at #18 Kentucky - 11/6/21 at #17 Pitt - 9/10/22 #20 Florida - 9/24/22 at #25 LSU - 10/8/22 #3 Alabama - 10/15/22 #19 Kentucky - 10/30/22 vs. #7 Clemson - 12/30/22 vs. #17 Iowa - 1/1/24 vs. #24 NC State - 9/7/24 at #15 Oklahoma - 9/21/24 vs. #7 Alabama - 10/19/24

#### **TEAM SINGLE-SEASON SCHOOL RECORDS UNDER HEUPEL (17)**

**Points** - 599 in 2022 Points Per Game - 46.1 in 2022 **Total Offense** - 6,832 in 2022 Total Offense Per Game - 525.5 in 2022

Total Touchdowns - 79 in 2022 Offensive Touchdowns - 78 in 2022 Passing Touchdowns - 38 in 2022

Rushing Touchdowns - 40 in 2022

**Yards Per Play** - 7.2 in 2022

Completion Percentage - 68.7 in 2022 Passing Efficiency - 181.4 in 2022 Passing Yards - 4,239 in 2022

Passing Yards Per Game - 326.1 in 2022 Point After Touchdowns Made - 75 in 2022

Total First Downs - 330 in 2022 Rushing First Downs - 164 in 2021

Fewest Interceptions Thrown - 3 (2x), 2021 & 2022

#### **INDIVIDUAL SINGLE-SEASON SCHOOL RECORDS UNDER HEUPEL (14)**

Total Offense Per Game - Hendon Hooker: 324.1 in 2022

Yards Per Play (min. 400 plays) - Hendon Hooker: 8.24 in 2022

Completion Pct. (min. 300 attempts) - Hendon Hooker: 69.6 in 2022

Passing Efficiency - Hendon Hooker: 181.4 in 2021

Consecutive Games Throwing TD Pass - Hendon Hooker: 12 in 2021 Lowest INT Pct. (min. 300 attempts) - Hendon Hooker: 0.61% in 2022

Rushing Touchdowns - Dylan Sampson: 20 in 2024

### **UT SINGLE-GAME RECORDS UNDER HEUPEL (8)**

Points (modern era) - 71 vs. Kent State in 2024

Total Yards (modern era) - 740 vs. Kent State in 2024

Rushing Yards per Attempt - 11.7 at Vanderbilt in 2022

Total Offense Per Play (min. 20 plays) - Hendon Hooker: 16.1 vs. Akron in 2022 **Rushing Touchdowns (modern era)** - Dylan Sampson, 4 vs. Kent State in 2024

Receiving Touchdowns - Jalin Hyatt: 5 vs. #3 Alabama in 2022

Modern Era Scoring - Jalin Hyatt: 30 points vs. #3 Alabama in 2022 Punting Average - Jackson Ross: 53.2 (5 for 266) at #11/8 Alabama in 2023 Receiving Yards Per Game - Jalin Hyatt: 105.6 in 2022

Receiving Touchdowns - Jalin Hyatt: 15 in 2022

Consecutive Games with a TD Catch - Cedric Tillman: 7 in 2021

Points By Kicking - Chase McGrath: 118 in 2022

Point After Touchdowns Made - Chase McGrath: 70 in 2022

Point After Touchdowns Attempted - Chase McGrath: 72 in 2022

Percentage PATs Made - Chase McGrath: 100.0 (66 of 66) in 2021

#### **INDIVIDUAL CAREER RECORDS UNDER HEUPEL (7**

Total Offense Per Play (min. 900 plays) - Hendon Hooker: 7.90, 2021-22 Completion Pct. (min. 500 attempts) - Hendon Hooker: 68.8, 2021-22

Consecutive Games with a TD Pass - Hendon Hooker: 20, 2021-22 Consecutive Passes without an INT - Hendon Hooker: 261, 2021-22

Lowest Interception Pct. (min. 500 att.) - Hendon Hooker: 0.79, 2021-22

Consecutive Games with a TD Reception - Cedric Tillman: 7 in 2021

Consecutive Games with a TD Rush - Dylan Sampson: 10 in 2024

## ASSISTANT COACHING STAFF (PB = PRESS BOX | S = SIDELINE)



TIGHT ENDS

ALEC ABELN (PB) • 4th season (2nd TE)

Served as analyst on UT staff from 2021-22 before being promoted to TE coach in 2023

Served on coaching staffs at three different SEC programs - Missouri, Ole Miss and Tennessee

2023 247Sports 30 Under 30 recipient, recognizing top young coaches

His TEs caught 44 passes for 538 yards and 9 TDs in 2023, which ranked 2nd in the SEC and most by UT since 2007



DEFENSIVE LINE
RODNEY GARNER (S) • 6th season

Now in his 36th season in the SEC and arguably the top defensive line coach in the nation with seven NFL first round draft picks

Returned to UT after serving as defensive line coach at Georgia from (1998-2012) and at Auburn from 2013-20

Owns six SEC Championships

Coached tight ends (1996-97) and offensive tackles at Tennessee (1997)



**SECONDARY** 

#### WILLIE MARTINEZ (S) • 8th season

Over 30 years of experience and in his second stint at Tennessee after coaching the secondary for four seasons from 2013-16

Has produced six NFL Draft picks at DB in the last four drafts combined, including school-record three at UCF in '22, two at UT in '23, one at UT in '24

Part of six conference championships as a coach and 23 bowl games



DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR
TIM BANKS (PB) • 4th season

His unit leads the SEC in tackles for loss per game with 7.62 from 2021-23 (8th FBS in 2021 with 102, 14th FBS in 2022 with 93. 8th FBS with 101 in 2023)

In his 18th year of defensive coordinator experience and served as co-DC and safeties coach for five seasons at Penn State (2016-20) prior to Tennessee



OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR/QUARTERBACKS
JOEY HALZLE (PB) • 4th season (2nd OC)

Officially promoted to OC in January 2023 and served in the role during the 2022 Orange Bowl and 2023 season

Has produced an NFL drafted quarterback in back-to-back drafts (Hendon Hooker, Joe Milton III)

Developed 2022 SEC Offensive Player of the Year Hendon Hooker

Worked with Heupel for 12 seasons, including at Oklahoma (2009-11), Utah State (2015), Missouri (2016)



**WIDE RECEIVERS** 

### KELSEY POPE (S) • 4th season (3rd WR)

2023 On3 Rising Assistant Coach and 2022 Football Scoop WR Coach of Year

Developed the first Biletnikoff Award winner in UT history as Jalin Hyatt won the honor in 2022

In his three prev. seasons at UT, Vols have produced three NFL Draft picks, multiple first-team All-SEC recipients, and they have generated an SEC-best 22 100-yard receiving games



OUTSIDE LBS/SPECIAL TEAMS COORDINATOR

#### MIKE EKELER (S) · 3rd season

In his 19th season in the Power Five and owns three national championship game appearances

UT has ranked either 1st or 2nd in SEC in punt return average and 1st or 2nd in SEC in punt return defense in all three of Ekeler's previous seasons (2021-23)

Coached with Heupel at Oklahoma from 2003-04 when both were graduate assistants



LINEBACKERS

#### WILLIAM INGE (S) • 1st season

Served as Co-DC and LB coach for Washington from 2022-23, including during their 2024 CFP title game run

Has served as either DC or Co-DC for 10 seasons, including Washington, Fresno State, Indiana, Buffalo and Northern Iowa

In his 27th season coaching and coached in 12 postseason/bowl game appearances



**RUNNING BACKS** 

#### DE'RAIL SIMS (S) • 1st season

Led rushing units to three straight top 25 rankings, including at Louisville (2021-22) and Cincinnati (2023)

His 2023 rushing unit at Cincinnati averaged 217.1 yards per game and ranked fifth in the nation

Also served as running backs coach at East Carolina (2019-20), James Madison (2016-18, 2016 national champions), Western Carolina (2013-15) and Carson-Newman (2012)



OFFENSIVE LINE

#### GLEN ELARBEE (S) - 4th season

Returned to the SEC after stops at LSU (2007) and Missouri (2016-17, OL)

In his ninth year alongside Heupel as he was the offensive line coach at UCF from 2018-20

Guided the Vols to back-to-back Joe Moore Award semifinalists for first time in school history

4 of the Vols he has coached are on NFL rosters, including 2023 NFL Draft first round pick Darnell Wright (No. 10)

## **UT COACHING STAFF**

#### **BY THE NUMBERS:**

- 5 National Championships
- 12 National Title Game Appearances
- **42** Conference Championships

#### **QUICK NOTES:**

- Six of the 10 assistant coaches on the staff have coordinator experience, including four as defensive coordinators (**Tim Banks, Mike Ekeler, William Inge, Willie Martinez**) and two as offensive coordinators (**Glen Elarbee, Joey Halzle).**
- Two assistants on the staff are serving in their second stint at Tennessee, including Rodney Garner and Willie Martinez.
- All 11 coaches on the staff played in college and two of them won national titles as players, including Josh Heupel (Oklahoma) and Willie Martinez (Miami).
- Tennessee was one of only two schools (South Carolina) in the new, 16-team SEC to not have turnover at head coach or coordinator positions in 2024.
- Eight of the 10 assistants on the current staff have been part of Josh Heupel's staff for all four of his seasons at Tennessee. Two of them were promoted as QC/ analysts. Five of the assistants worked with **Josh Heupel** prior to Tennessee.

#### THE LAST TIME TENNESSEE...

#### **OFFENSE**

Rushed for 100 yards - 101, Dylan Sampson at Georgia, 11/16/24 Rushed for 200 yards - 246, Eric Gray vs. Vanderbilt, 11/30/19 Rushed for 250 yards - 294, Chuck Webb vs. Mississippi, 11/18/89

QB Rushed for 100 yards - 112, Hendon Hooker vs. Florida, 9/24/22

Passed for 300 yards - 314, Nico lamaleava vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24 Passed for 400 yards - 415, Jarrett Guarantano at Missouri, 11/23/19

Passed for 500 yards - 530, Tyler Bray vs. Troy, 11/3/12

Had 100 yards receiving - 104, Dont'e Thornton Jr. vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24 Had 150 yards receiving - 207, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22

Had 200 yards receiving - 207, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22 Rushed for three TDs - 3, Dylan Sampson vs. Florida, 10/12/24

Rushed for four TDs - 4, Dylan Sampson vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 Threw four TD passes - 4, Joe Milton III vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23 Caught three TD passes - 5, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22

Caught four TD passes - 5, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22 Caught five TD passes - 5, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22

Scored four touchdowns - 4 (all rush), Dylan Sampson vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

Responsible for five touchdowns - 6 (4 pass, 2 rush), Joe Milton III vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23

Responsible for six touchdowns - 6 (4 pass, 2 rush), Joe Milton III vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23

**Had rushing + receiving TD** - Dylan Sampson vs. Virginia, 9/2/23 Had an 80-yard run - 82, Jaylen Wright vs. UConn, 11/4/23

Had a 90-yard run - 92, Tiyon Evans at Missouri, 10/2/21

Had an 80-yard completion - 83, Joe Milton III to Squirrel White vs. UConn, 11/4/23

Returned INT for TD - 85 yards, Will Brooks vs. NC State, 9/7/24

Returned a fumble for TD - 24 yards, Tyler Baron vs. UConn, 11/4/23 (forced by Gabe Jeudy-Lally) Returned PAT for a score - 97 yards, Floyd Miley vs. Mississippi, 11/17/90 (blocked kick return)

Had 20+ tackles - 20, Jeremy Banks vs. Purdue, 12/30/21

Recorded three sacks - 4.0, Darrell Taylor vs. Kentucky, 11/10/18

Recorded five tackles for loss - 5.0, Aaron Beasley vs. Austin Peay, 9/9/23

Forced two fumbles - 2, Joshua Josephs at Oklahoma, 9/21/24 Intercepted two passes - 3, Bryce Thompson vs. UAB, 11/2/19 Intercepted three passes - 3, Bryce Thompson vs. UAB, 11/2/19

Made interception on first play of the game - Tamarion McDonald vs. Ball State, 9/1/22

Returned onside kick for TD - 44, Bret Smith at S. Carolina, 10/30/04

Returned opening kickoff for TD - 91, Ty Chandler vs. Indiana State, 9/9/17

Returned conventional kickoff for TD - 96, Velus Jones Jr. vs. South Alabama, 11/20/21

Returned kickoff 100 yards - Evan Berry at South Carolina, 10/29/16

Returned punt for TD - 39, Dee Williams vs. Texas A&M, 10/14/23 Returned a blocked punt for TD - 13, Jordan Ross vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

Returned punt at least 75 vards - 82, Marguez Callaway vs. Charlotte, 11/4/18 (TD)

Had a rushing + punt return TD in same game - Alvin Kamara vs. WCU, 9/19/15 (2, 50)

Made four FGs - 4, Max Gilbert vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24

Made a 50-yard FG - 52, Max Gilbert at Georgia, 11/16/24

#### **TEAM**

#### **OFFENSE**

Rushed for more than 300 yards - 456 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (55 att.)

Rushed for more than 400 yards - 456 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (55 att.)

Passed for more than 300 yards - 414 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24 (44 att.) Passed for more than 400 yards - 414 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24 (44 att.)

Had more than 500 yards total off. - 740 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (284 pass, 456 rush) **Had more than 600 yards total off. -** 740 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (284 pass, 456 rush)

**Had more than 700 yards total off. -** 740 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (284 pass, 456 rush)

Scored 50 points - 71 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (Score: 71-0)

Scored 60 points - 71 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (Score: 71-0)

Scored 70 points - 71 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (Score: 71-0)

Scored 30+ points in a quarter - 37 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (first quarter)

Scored 35+ points in a quarter - 37 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (first quarter)

Failed to rush for 100 yards - 83 at Missouri, 11/11/23 (23 att.)

Failed to pass for 100 yards - 44 at Alabama 10/21/17 (9-of-16.1 int.)

Failed to get a first down - vs. Auburn, 9/27/58 (Score: Auburn 13-0)

Committed no turnovers - at Arkansas, 10/5/24

Two players with 100 yards rushing - D. Bishop (120) & D. Sampson (101) vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

Three players with 100 yards rushing - James Stewart (145), Aaron Hayden (115) & Mose Phillips (107) vs. Vanderbilt, 11/30/91

**Two players w/ 100 yards passing** - H. Hooker (247) & J. Milton III (108) at S. Carolina, 11/19/22 Two players w/ 100 yards receiving - R. Keyton (122) & S. White (110) vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23

Three players w/ 100 yards receiving - J. Palmer (124), J. Jennings (115), M. Callaway (110) at Missouri, 11/23/19

Held opponent to fewer than 100 yards rushing - 75 vs. Alabama, 10/19/24 (34 att.)

Held opponent to fewer than 100 yards passing - 92 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24 (10-of-26)

Held opponent to fewer than 100 yards total offense - 83 vs. WKU, 9/5/09 (34 rush, 49 pass)

Held opponent without a TD - vs. Kent State (Score: Tennessee 71-0)

Scored a safety - at Oklahoma, 9/21/24 (Jayson Jenkins TFL)

Scored two safeties - 2 vs. South Alabama, 11/20/21 (Kurott Garland sack, snap out of end zone)

Forced opponent into five turnovers - vs. Chattanooga, 9/14/19

Intercepted four passes - vs. Tennessee Tech, 9/18/21

Intercepted five passes - vs. Western Kentucky, 9/7/13

Forced four fumbles - at Kentucky, 10/28/17 Recovered four fumbles - at Kentucky, 10/28/17

Scored two defensive TDs - 3 vs. UConn, 11/4/23 (Baron fumble ret., McCollough INT ret., Beasley INT ret.)

Scored three defensive TDs - 3 vs. UConn, 11/4/23 (Baron fumble ret., McCollough INT ret., Beasley INT ret.)

Never had to punt - vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

Blocked a punt - Jordan Ross vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

Returned blocked punt for TD - 13-yard return by Jordan Ross vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

Blocked a field goal - at Florida, 9/16/23 (Bryson Eason)

Returned blocked FG for TD - 90 vs. South Carolina, 10/28/95 (Tyrone Hines)

Returned punt and kickoff for TD in same game - at Kentucky, 10/31/15 (Evan Berry 100-yard KR; Cameron Sutton 84-vard PR)

Blocked a PAT - at Florida, 9/16/23 (Omari Thomas)

Faked a punt - at Vanderbilt, 12/12/20 (Paxton Brooks completed pass for 31 yards)

Faked punt for 1st down - at Vanderbilt, 12/12/20 (Paxton Brooks completed pass for 31 yards)

Faked a FG - vs. Missouri, 11/22/14 (P. Ashford pass to A. Ellis for touchdown)

Attempted 2-pt conversion - at Florida, 9/16/23 (Joe Milton III rush unsuccessful) Scored 2-pt conversion - vs. Alabama, 10/15/22 (H. Hooker pass to P. Fant successful)

Attempted onside kick - vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (John Slaughter recovered)

Recovered onside kick - vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (John Slaughter recovered)

Shut out an opponent - 71-0 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

Shut out consecutive opponents - at Vanderbilt and vs. Kentucky, 11/23/02 & 11/30/02 (24-0)

**Won OT game** - vs. Florida, 10/12/24 (Score: UT 23-17, OT) Lost OT Game - vs. Purdue, 12/30/21 (Score: Purdue 48-45 OT)

Won game on last play - vs. Florida, 10/12/24 (UT 23-17, Dylan Sampson 1-yd rushing TD in OT) Lost game on last play - vs. Purdue, 12/30/21 (Score: Purdue 48-45: 39-yd FG in OT)

Rallied from down 10 to win - vs. Florida, 10/12/24 (trailed 10-0 in 3Q & won, 23-17 in OT)

Rallied from down 14 to win - vs. Georgia Tech, 9/4/17 (trailed 28-14 in 4Q & won, 42-41)

Beat ranked opponent - vs. #7/7 Alabama (Score: Tennessee 24-17)

Beat team ranked in top 15 - vs. #7/7 Alabama (Score: Tennessee 24-17)

Beat team ranked in top 10 - vs. #7/7 Alabama (Score: Tennessee 24-17)

Beat team ranked in top 5 - vs. #3/1 Alabama, 10/15/22 (Score: Tennessee 52-49)

Committed no penalties - vs. Austin Peay, 8/31/13

Shaded - Occurred in 2024



#### THE LAST TIME AN OPPONENT...

#### **INDIVIDUAL**

#### OFFENSE

Rushed for 100 yards - 125, Davon Booth vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24 (20 attempts)

Rushed for 200 yards - 205, Cody Schrader at Missouri, 11/11/23 (35 attempts)

Rushed for 250 yards - 282, Dexter McCluster at Mississippi, 11/14/09 (25 attempts)

QB Rushed for 100 yards - 106, Brady Cook vs. Missouri, 11/12/22 (16 attempts)

Passed for 300 yards - 347, Carson Beck at Georgia, 11/16/24

Passed for 400 yards - 438, Spencer Rattler at South Carolina, 11/19/22

Passed for 500 yards - 534, Aidan O'Connell vs. Purdue, 12/30/21

Had 100 yards receiving - 132, Andrew Armstrong at Arkansas, 10/5/24

Had 150 yards receiving - 177, Antwane Wells Jr. at South Carolina, 11/19/22

Had 200 yards receiving - 217, Broc Thompson vs. Purdue, 12/30/21

Rushed for three TDs - 3, Jahmyr Gibbs vs. Alabama, 10/15/22

Rushed for four TDs - 4, Dexter McCluster at Mississippi, 11/14/09

Rushed for five TDs - 5, TaQuon Marshall vs. Georgia Tech, 9/4/17

Threw four TD passes - 6, Spencer Rattler at South Carolina, 11/19/22

Threw five TD passes - 6, Spencer Rattler at South Carolina, 11/19/22

Threw six TD passes - 6, Spencer Rattler at South Carolina, 11/19/22

Caught three TD passes - 3, Josh Reed at LSU, 9/30/00 (overtime)
Had an 80-yard run - 85, Bo Scarbrough vs. Alabama, 10/15/16

Had an 80-yard completion - 85, Dylan Thompson to Pharoh Cooper at South Carolina (TD), 11/1/14

#### **DEFENSE**

Returned an INT for TD - 87, Aydan White vs. NC State, 9/7/24

Returned a fumble for TD - 24, Jihaad Campbell at Alabama, 10/21/23

Recorded three sacks - 4, Joe Evans vs. Iowa, 1/1/24

Intercepted two passes - 2, DeMarkus Acy vs. Missouri, 11/17/18

#### SPECIAL TEAMS

Returned a kickoff for TD - 100, Kris Abrams-Draine at Missouri, 10/2/21

Returned a kickoff 100 yards - 100, Kris Abrams-Draine at Missouri, 10/2/21

Returned a punt for TD - 79, Eddie Jackson vs. Alabama, 10/15/16

Returned a blocked punt for TD - 17, Sean Westgate at UCLA, 9/1/08

**Returned an extra point for score** - Quinton Reese, Auburn (SEC Championship), 12/6/97 (yardage not recorded)

Returned a punt at least 75 yards - 79, Eddie Jackson vs. Alabama, 10/15/16 (TD)

Made four FGs - 4, Mitchell Fineran vs. Purdue, 12/30/21

Made a 50-yard FG - 50, Will Reichard at Alabama, 10/21/23

#### **TEAM**

#### OFFENSE

Rushed for more than 300 yards - 433 at Missouri, 11/11/17

Rushed for more than 400 yards - 433 at Missouri, 11/11/17

Rushed for more than 500 yards - 535 vs. Georgia Tech, 9/4/17

Passed for more than 300 yards - 347 vs. Georgia, 11/16/24

Had more than 600 yards total offense - 606 at South Carolina, 11/19/22 (453 pass, 153 rush)

Scored 50 points - 63 at South Carolina, 11/19/22 (Score: South Carolina 63-38)

Scored 60 points - 63 at South Carolina, 11/19/22 (Score: South Carolina 63-38)
Scored 70 points - 70 at Trinity (present-day Duke), 11/4/1893 (Score: Trinity 70-0)

Scored 70 points - 70 at Trinity (present-day Duke), 11/4/1893 (Score: Trinit Failed to rush for 100 yards - 75 vs. Alabama, 10/19/24 (34 att.)

Failed to pass for 100 yards - 92 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24 (10-of-26)

Two players with 100 yards rushing - at Missouri, I. Witter (216), L. Rountree (155), 11/11/17

Three players with 100 yards rushing - Mississippi, P. Hofer (119), J. Reed (115), M. Sweet (103), 11/15/75
Two players with 100 yards passing - Alabama, Jalen Hurts (198) and Tua Tagovailoa (134), 10/21/17

Two players with 100 yards receiving - 155, J. Shorter; 103, R. Pearsall vs. Florida, 9/24/22

#### DEFENSE

Held Tennessee to fewer than 100 yards rushing - 83 at Missouri, 11/11/23 (23 att.)

Held Tennessee to fewer than 100 yards passing - 44 at Alabama 10/21/17 (9-of-16, 1 int.)

Held Tennessee to fewer than 100 yards total offense - 59 vs. Alabama, 10/18/80

Held Tennessee without TD - at Florida, 9/21/19 (Score: Florida, 34-3)

Scored a safety - vs. Florida, 9/22/18 (Tim Jordan tackled in end zone)

#### SPECIAL TEAMS

Never had to punt - at Kentucky, 11/6/21 (11 off. possessions in 42-45 loss)

Blocked a punt - at Pitt, 9/10/22 (P.J. O'Brien)

Returned a blocked punt for TD - 17 at UCLA, 9/1/08 (Sean Westgate)

Blocked a FG - at Missouri, 11/23/19 (blocked by Jordan Elliot)

Blocked two FGs - at Alabama, 10/24/09 (Terrence Cody blocked both)

Returned punt and kickoff for TD in same game - Auburn, 11/9/13 (Chris Davis 85-yard punt return; Corey Grant 90-yard kickoff return)

Faked a punt - vs. South Carolina, 9/30/23 (Kai Kroeger pass to Xavier Legette 32 yards, successful)
Faked a punt for first down - vs. South Carolina, 9/30/23 (Kai Kroeger pass to Xavier Legette 32

Failed 2-pt conversion - at Missouri, 11/11/23 (M. Singleton completion to I. Sategna failed)

Scored 2-pt conversion - vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24 (G. Wimsatt completion to J. Maclin)

Attempted an onside kick - at Oklahoma, 9/21/24 (UT recovered)

Recovered a successful onside kick - vs. Florida, 9/24/22 (UF's Diwun Black recovered)

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Shut out Tennessee - 41-0 vs. Georgia, 9/30/17

Shut out Tennessee in consecutive games - at Kentucky and vs. Vanderbilt, 11/19/59 & 11/26/59

(Scores: 20-0, 14-0)

Won OT Game - vs. Purdue, 12/30/21 (Score: Purdue 48-45 OT)

**Lost OT game** - vs. Florida, 10/12/24 (Score: UT 23-17, OT)

Beat a ranked Tennessee team - at Georgia, 11/16/24 (Score: #12 UGA 31, #7 UT 17)

Beat a Tennessee team ranked in the top 15 - at Georgia, 11/16/24 (Score: #12 UGA 31, #7 UT 17)
Beat a Tennessee team ranked in the top 5 - at Arkansas, 10/5/24 (Score: ARK 19, #4 UT 14)

Shaded - Occurred in 2024

## **GAME REGAPS**

## **GAME 1**

# Chattanooga #15/15 Tennessee

Aug. 31, 2024
Neyland Stadium
Knoxville, Tenn.
Attendance: 101,915

Time: 12:47 p.m. ET • Duration: 3:19

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RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Sampson, Dylan	12	124	0	124	3	56	10.3
Bishop, DeSean	5	60	0	60	1	24	12.0
Keith, Khalifa	10	44	1	43	1	9	4.3
Seldon, Cameron	7	47	0	47	0	14	6.7
McCoy, Bru	1	9	0	9	0	9	9.0
Lewis, Peyton	4	14	0	14	0	7	3.5
lamaleava, Nico	4	10	4	6	0	5	1.5
Merklinger, Jake	3	3	2	1	0	3	0.3

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Iamaleava, Nico	22	28	314	3	0	59	1
Moore, Gaston	7	12	69	0	1	13	0
Merklinger, Jake	4	4	31	0	0	13	1

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Thornton Jr., Dont'e	3	105	2	59
McCoy, Bru	6	89	0	37
Brazzell II, Chris	5	59	0	23
Sampson, Dylan	3	29	0	19
White, Squirrel	2	22	0	11
Davis, Ethan	2	20	1	16
Webb, Kaleb	2	19	0	13
Weary, Trey	3	18	0	8
Staes, Holden	2	13	0	9
Leacock, Nathan	1	13	0	13
Sneed, Dayton	1	12	0	12
Bishop, DeSean	1	10	0	10
Nimrod, Chas	1	7	0	7
Seldon, Cameron	1	-2	0	0

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PUNTING Ross, Jackson	<b>No.</b> 1	<b>Yds.</b> 23	<b>Avg.</b> 23	Long 23	<b>I20</b> 0	<b>TB</b> 0	<b>50+</b> 0
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FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks	
Gilbert, Max	2	2	42	36G, 42G	
Key: G=Good, WL=W	ide Left	t, WR=Wic	le Right,	S=Short, B=Block	ked

	Punt	S		Kicko	offs		Inter	Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	
McCoy, Jermod	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
White, Squirrel	1	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Ross, Jordan	1	49	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Seldon, Cameron	0	0	0	1	35	35	0	0	0	

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RUSHING Davis, Reggie	<b>Att.</b> 20	<b>Gain</b> 59	Loss 8	<b>Net</b> 51	<b>TD</b> 0	<b>Long</b> 10	<b>Avg.</b> 2.6
Wyche, Journey	6	23	0	23	0	8	3.8
Jackson, Lance	8	10	2	8	0	3	1.0
Artopoeus, Chase	1	0	8	-8	0	0	-8.0

PASSING Artopoeus, Chase	<b>Cmp.</b> 12	<b>Att.</b> 23	<b>Yds.</b> 141	<b>TD</b> 0	<b>Int.</b> 0	Long 22	Sacks 1
Schomburg, Luke	1	1	12	0	0	12	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long	
Phillips, Sam	5	54	0	19	
Whatley, Javin	3	40	0	22	
Gibson, Jay	2	22	0	14	
Domercant, Chris	1	19	0	19	
Thornton, Zaire	2	18	0	12	

PUNTING Kelley, Jude	<b>No.</b> 3	<b>Yds.</b> 112	<b>Avg.</b> 37.3	Long 39	<b>I20</b> 0	<b>TB</b> 0	<b>50+</b> 0
Jehu, Heath	5	202	40.4	52	0	0	2
TFAM	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks	
Kelley, Jude	2	1	43	43G, 25WL	
Karajic, Alen	1	0	n/a	55WL	
Key: G=Good	WI = Wide I oft	W/R=W/ic	le Riaht	S=Short R=Rlocked	

Punts				Kicko	offs		Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Joseph, Kobe	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	71	71

## #15 Vols Dominate Mocs In Season Opener, 69-3

No. 15 Tennessee scored on its first seven possessions and rolled up 718 yards of total offense, cruising past Chattanooga, 69-3, on Saturday afternoon in the 2024 season opener at Neyland Stadium. Playing in front of a sellout crowd of 101,915, the Vols scored on 10 of their 13 offensive possessions, producing touchdowns on eight of them. They finished with 414 yards through the air and another 304 on the ground, tying for the second-highest total yardage number in program history. Additionally, Tennessee's 69 points were the second-most points scored in the modern era (1937-present), and the 66-point margin of victory was the third-highest of the modern era. Quarterback  ${f Nico}$ lamaleava was very impressive in his first start on Shields-Watkins Field, completing his first 10 passes and finishing with 314 yards through the air on 22-of-28 accuracy with three touchdowns in only two quarters of action. That yardage total was a school record for a half. Running back Dylan Sampson accounted for 153 all-purpose yards and crossed the goal line three times on the ground for the second season opener in a row, while wide receiver Dont'e Thornton Jr. led the Vols with a 105-yard day on three catches, including two touchdown hauls from lamaleava. In total, 94 players saw action  $\frac{1}{2}$ in the opener with 37 making their Tennessee debuts. Twenty-eight defensive players registered at least one tackle, paced by starting safety Will Brooks with five stops. Defensive end Tyre West was disruptive in the pass rush throughout the game, logging two TFLs, one sack, one forced fumble and a quarterback hurry on the afternoon.

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1st	11:09	UT	D. Sa	mpson	1 yd ru	ın (M. 0	Gilbert	kick)	
1st	08:34	UT	E. Da	vis 4 y	d pass	from N	l. lama	leava (M	I. Gilbert kick)
1st	07:18	UT	D. Th	ornton	Jr. 36	yd pas:	s from	N. lama	leava (M. Gilbert kick)
1st	03:32	UT	M. Gi	lbert 36	yd fie	eld goa	l		
2nd	14:03	UT	D. Sa	mpson	3 yd r	un (M.	Gilbert	t kick)	
2nd	10:14	UT	D. Th	ornton	Jr. 10	yd pass	from	N. lamal	eava (M. Gilbert kick)
2nd	06:43	UT	D. Sa	mpson	5 yd r	un (M.	Gilbert	t kick)	
3rd	10:10	UTC	J. Kel	ley 43	yd field	d goal			
3rd	07:15	UT	M. Gi	lbert 4	2 yd fie	eld goa	I		
3rd	01:13	UT	D. Bis	shop 22	yd ru	n (M. G	ilbert	kick)	
4th	04:06	UT	K. Ke	ith 1 yd	run (J	. Turby	ville ki	ick)	
4th	01:07	UT	Jo. R	oss 13 y	d pun	t returr	ı (J. Tu	rbyville	kick)

	UTC	UT
FIRST DOWNS	10	36
Rushing	2	14
Passing	8	21
Penalty	0	1
NET YARDS RUSHING	74	304
Rushing Attempts	35	46
Average Per Rush	2.1	6.6
Rushing Touchdowns	0	5
Rushing Yards Gained	92	311
Rushing Yards Lost	18	7
NET YARDS PASSING	153	414
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions	13-24-0	33-44-1
Average Per Attempt	6.4	9.4
Average Per Completion	11.8	12.5
Passing Touchdowns	0	3
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	227	718
Total Offensive Plays	59	90
Average Gain Per Play	3.1	8.0
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-1	1-0
Penalties: Number-Yards	9-65	6-52
PUNTS-YARDS	9-314	1-23
Average Yards Per Punt	34.9	23.0
Net Yards Per Punt	33.8	23.0
Inside 20	0	0
50+ Yards	2	0
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair Catch	2	0
KICKOFFS-YARDS	2-99	12-780
Average Yards Per Kickoff	49.5	65.0
Net Yards Per Kickoff	32.0	40.0
Touchbacks	0	12
Fair Catch Yards	0	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	3-69-1
Average Per Return	0.0	23.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-35-0
Average Per Return	0.0	35.0
Interceptions: Number-Yards-TD	1-71-0	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	30:46	29:10
Third-Down Conversions	1 of 14	9 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	1 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-2	7-7
Touchdowns	0	6
Field goals	1	1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-6	1-8
PAT Kicks	0-0	9-9
2Pts Conversions	0-0	0-0
Field Goals	1-3	2-2
Points off turnovers	0	7

## #14/12 Tennessee #24/23 NC State

Sept. 7, 2024
Bank of America Stadium
Charlotte, N.C.
Attendance: 72,730
Time: 7:44 p.m. ET • Duration: 3:19

**Tennessee** 

Tennessee							
RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Sampson, Dylan	20	138	6	132	2	34	6.6
lamaleava, Nico	8	68	3	65	1	31	8.1
Bishop, DeSean	10	42	0	42	0	15	4.2
Keith, Khalifa	3	5	0	5	0	2	1.7
Lewis, Peyton	3	5	0	5	0	3	1.7
PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Iamaleava, Nico	16	23	211	2	2	45	0
RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long			
White, Squirrel	2	67	0	45			
Kitselman, Miles	3	39	1	16			
Sampson, Dylan	3	37	0	21			
Staes, Holden	1	18	1	18			
Brazzell II, Chris	3	18	0	12			
Davis, Ethan	2	14	0	10			
McCoy, Bru	1	10	0	10			
Webb, Kaleb	1	8	0	8			
PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	ТВ	50+
Ross, Jackson	1	43	43	43	1	0	0
FIELD GOALS Gilbert, Max	Att.	Made 3	Long 45	Kicks 32G. 4	5G. 36G	. 53WL	

	Punts			Kicko	ffs		Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
White, Squirrel	3	58	31	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brooks, Will	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	85	85

Key: G=Good, WL=Wide Left, WR=Wide Right, S=Short, B=Blocked

#### **NC State**

**PASSING** 

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Smothers, Hollywood	6	31	6	25	0	15	4.2
Bailey, CJ	2	11	4	7	0	11	3.5
McCall, Grayson	9	20	14	6	0	11	0.7
Raphael, Kendrick	4	8	3	5	0	8	1.3
Waters, Jordan	7	11	15	-4	0	6	-0.6

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Long

Sacks

McCall, Grayson	15	22	104	U	- 1	28	3	
RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long				
Concepcion, Kevin	5	53	0	28				
Joly, Justin	4	30	0	14				
Colling Dagari	2	17	0	7				

C	oncepcion, Kevin	5	53	U	28
J	oly, Justin	4	30	0	14
C	ollins, Dacari	2	13	0	7
R	ogers, Noah	1	7	0	7
S	mothers, Hollywood	3	1	0	4

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB	50+
Noonkester, Caden	6	276	46	58	1	0	3

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Vinesett, Kanoah	1	1	24	24G

Cmp.

Att.

Key: G=Good, WL=Wide Left, WR=Wide Right, S=Short, B=Blocked

	Punts			Kickoffs			Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Smothers, Hollywood	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	0
White, Aydan	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	87	87
Fitzgerald, Bishop	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	29	29

## #14/12 Vols Run Wild in Duke's Mayo Classic

Running back **Dylan Sampson** delivered another sensational performance, and 12thranked Tennessee's stellar defense shut down the No. 23 NC State Wolfpack, 51-10, in the 2024 Duke's Mayo Classic — earning UT's ninth ranked win of the Josh Heupel era and third-straight win over a ranked opponent at a neutral site. Sampson handled 20 carries for 132 yards and two rushing scores, marking his second consecutive game with over 100 yards and multiple touchdowns on the ground. The stifling Volunteer defense limited the Wolfpack to a Heupel-era best 143 yards of total offense (39 rushing, 104 passing) for the fewest yards allowed against a ranked foe since 1973. The Big Orange forced three turnovers, accumulated 13 tackles for loss with three sacks and saw senior safety Will Brooks swing the momentum in Tennessee's favor after an 85-yard picksix in the second quarter. Redshirt freshman QB Nico lamaleava accounted for three touchdowns in the victory, tallying a 31-yard rushing score on a designed run up the middle and connecting with tight ends Miles Kitselman and Holden Staes on their first receiving touchdowns for the Vols. With the final score of 51-10, Tennessee notched its third-highest margin of victory over an AP Top 25 opponent in program history and most lopsided ranked win since defeating No. 9 Florida 45-3 on Oct. 13, 1990.

			1st	2nd	3rd	4th		Final	
Tenn	essee		7	13	17	14	-	51	
NC S	tate		0	3	7	0	-	10	
1st	00:09	UT	D. S	ampso	n 9 yd	run (M	. Gilbe	ert kick)	
2nd	09:04	NCST	K. V	'inesett	, Kano	ah 24 y	d field	d goal	
2nd	06:33	UT	M. (	Silbert	32 yd f	ield go	al		
2nd	03:29	UT	W. I	Brooks	85 yd	interce	otion	(M. Gilbe	ert kick)
2nd	00:00	UT	М. (	Silbert	45 yd f	ield go	al		
3rd	10:27	UT	M. k	(itselm	an 15 y	d pass	from I	N. lamale	eava (M. Gilbert kick)
3rd	06:31	UT	M. (	Silbert	36 yd f	ield go	al		
3rd	04:02	UT	N. I	amalea	va 31 y	d run (	M. Gill	oert kick	:)
3rd	02:20	NCST	A. V	Vhite 8	7 yd in	tercept	ion (k	K. Vinese	tt kick)
4th	14:07	UT	D. S	ampso	n 34 y	d run (1	M. Gilk	ert kick	)
4th	08:22	UT	H S	taes 18	vd pa	ss from	N lar	maleava	(M. Gilbert kick)

	UT	NCST
FIRST DOWNS	22	10
Rushing	11	2
Passing	11	6
Penalty	0	2
NET YARDS RUSHING	249	39
Rushing Attempts	44	28
Average Per Rush	5.7	1.4
Rushing Touchdowns	3	0
Rushing Yards Gained	258	81
Rushing Yards Lost	9	42
NET YARDS PASSING	211	104
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions	16-23-2	15-22-1
Average Per Attempt	9.2	4.7
Average Per Completion	13.2	6.9
Passing Touchdowns	2	0
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	460	143
Total Offensive Plays	67	50
Average Gain Per Play	6.9	2.9
Fumbles: Number-Lost	0-0	3-2
Penalties: Number-Yards	7-70	6-52
PUNTS-YARDS	1-43	6-276
Average Yards Per Punt	43.0	46.0
Net Yards Per Punt	43.0	38.8
Inside 20	1	1
50+ Yards	0	3
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair Catch	1	2
KICKOFFS-YARDS	9-579	3-195
Average Yards Per Kickoff	64.3	65.0
Net Yards Per Kickoff	41.9	40.0
Touchbacks	8	3
Fair Catch Yards	0	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	3-58-0	0-0-0
Average Per Return	19.3	0.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-2-0
Average Per Return	0.0	2.0
Interceptions: Number-Yards-TD	1-85-1	2-116-1
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	31:28	28:32
Third-Down Conversions Fourth-Down Conversions	7 of 14	3 of 12
	1 of 1	0 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	5-6	1-2
Touchdowns	4	1
Field goals	2	1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-13	0-0
PAT Kicks	6-6 0-0	1-1 0-0
2Pts Conversions Field Goals	0-0 3-4	0-0 1-1
Points off turnovers	3-4 7	1-1
Forms on turnovers	/	10

## Kent State #7/9 Tennessee

Sept. 14, 2024
Neyland Stadium
Knoxville, Tenn.
Attendance: 101,915

Time: 7:55 p.m. ET • Duration: 3:09

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RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Bishop, DeSean	7	122	2	120	2	53	17.1
Sampson, Dylan	13	101	0	101	4	22	7.8
Lewis, Peyton	10	99	0	99	0	35	9.9
Barnes, Hunter	7	38	0	38	0	14	5.4
lamaleava, Nico	5	31	0	31	0	11	6.2
Merklinger, Jake	4	27	6	21	0	24	5.3
Moore, Gaston	1	15	0	15	0	15	15.0
Keith, Khalifa	4	13	0	13	0	6	3.3
Wilk, Patrick	3	12	0	12	0	9	4.0
Shuler, Navy	1	6	0	6	0	6	6.0

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Iamaleava, Nico	10	16	173	1	0	53	0
Moore, Gaston	4	4	94	2	0	53	0
Merklinger, Jake	2	5	17	0	0	9	1

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long	
Thornton Jr., Dont'e	2	64	0	53	
Brazzell II, Chris	2	63	1	53	
Matthews, Mike	2	35	1	18	
Nimrod, Chas	2	34	0	27	
White, Squirrel	1	19	0	19	
Webb, Kaleb	2	17	0	9	
Staes, Holden	1	16	0	16	
Kitselman, Miles	1	15	1	15	
McCoy, Bru	1	9	0	9	
Keith, Khalifa	1	8	0	8	
Sampson, Dylan	1	4	0	4	

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Gilbert, Max	2	2	36	36G, 21G, 36G, 53WL

Key: G=Good, WL=Wide Left, WR=Wide Right, S=Short, B=Blocked

	Punts	S		Kicko	offs		Inter	Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	
White, Squirrel	1	22	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	
McCoy, Jermod	1	23	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Matthews, Mike	0	0	0	1	32	32	0	0	0	
Harmon, Braylon	1	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Carter, Boo	2	55	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	

#### **Kent State**

FIELD GOALS

Floriea, Luke

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Sherrod, JD	7	57	1	56	0	30	8.0
Lowe, Jordan	7	32	0	32	0	13	4.6
Douglas, Curtis	4	14	0	14	0	6	3.5
Thomas, Ky	7	12	2	10	0	3	1.4
Wolford, Cade	2	5	0	5	0	3	2.5
TEAM	5	0	63	-63	0	0	-12.6

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Kargman, Devin	9	15	58	0	0	9	0
Sherrod, JD	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

RECEIVING McCray, Chrishon	<b>No.</b> 3	<b>Yds.</b> 27	<b>TD</b> 0	<b>Long</b> 9
Etheridge, Jay Jay	2	16	0	9
Floriea, Luke	3	13	0	8
Thomas, Ky	1	2	0	2

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	ТВ	50+
Smith, Josh	8	334	41.8	49	1	1	0

Made Long

Kicks

Glass, Andrew	1	0	n/a	51S	
Key: G=Good, V	VL=Wide Left.	WR=	Wide Right,	S=Short,	B=Blocked

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Punts Kickoffs Interceptions
ALL RETURNS No. Yds. Lg. No. Yds. Lg. No. Yds. Lg.

# Sampson Ignites #7/9 Vols In Historic Shutout Dylan Sampson ran for four first-half touchdowns as No. 7/9 Tennessee exploded for 37 first-quarter points en route to a record-setting 71-0 shutout of Kent State in front

**Dylan Sampson** ran for four first-half touchdowns as No. 7/9 Tennessee exploded for 37 first-quarter points en route to a record-setting 71-0 shutout of Kent State in front of a sellout crowd at Neyland Stadium. The Vols' final point total was a modern era record, replacing the old mark from a 70-3 win over Louisiana-Monroe on Sept. 23, 2000, and it stands as the most generated by the squad from Rocky Top since 1929. Additionally, Saturday night's scoring onslaught vs. the Golden Flashes (0-3) made it the first time since 1913 and only the second time in program annals that the Big Orange tallied 50 points in each of its first three games. Individually, Sampson rushed for 66 yards and three scores in the first 15 minutes and finished with 101 yards and four TDs on 13 attempts. He became the first Vol in the modern era with four rushing touchdowns in a half and tied the modern-day school single-game record with that total. **DeSean Bishop** joined Sampson with a 100-yard day of his own, carding his first effort above the century mark as a Vol with 120 yards and a career-high two touchdowns on only seven carries. Tennessee finished with a 740 to 112 edge in total yardage, with the Vols' offensive production setting a program record and tying as the 10th best in SEC history. Defensively, Tennessee limited the Golden Flashes to an opponent's lowest total yardage of the Josh Heupel era with that 112 mark. UT also extended its streak of not allowing an offensive touchdown to 16 straight quarters - its longest such streak since 1965-66.

			1st	2nd	3rd	4th		Final	
Kent	State		0	0	0	0	-	0	
Tenn	essee		37	28	3	3	-	71	
1st	11:32	UT	D. Sa	mpson	22 yd	run (M.	Gilbe	ert kick)	
1st	10:35	UT	0 yd	safety					
1st	08:11	UT	D. Sa	mpson	1 yd ru	un (M. 6	ilbert	kick)	
1st	05:56	UT	C. Br	azzell I	53 yd	pass fr	om N	. Iamale	ava (M. Gilbert kick)
1st	03:35	UT	D. Bis	shop 53	yd ru	n (M. G	ilbert	kick)	
1st	00:02	UT	D. Sa	mpson	1 yd ru	un (M. 6	ilbert	kick)	
2nd	13:06	UT	D. Bis	shop 4	7 yd ru	n (M. G	ilbert	kick)	
2nd	07:49	UT	D. Sa	mpson	14 yd	run (M.	Gilbe	rt kick)	
2nd	03:06	UT	M. Ki	tselma	า 15 yd	pass fr	om G	. Moore	(M. Gilbert kick)
2nd	00:19	UT	M. M	atthew	s 18 yd	pass fr	om G	Moore	(M. Gilbert kick)
3rd	12:04	UT	M. Gi	lbert 3	5 yd fie	eld goal			
4th	14:05	UT	M. Gi	lbert 2	vd fie	ld goal			
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	KENT	UT
FIRST DOWNS	8	32
Rushing	5	20
Passing	2	12
Penalty	1	0
NET YARDS RUSHING	54	456
Rushing Attempts	32	55
Average Per Rush	1.7	8.3
Rushing Touchdowns	0	6
Rushing Yards Gained	120	464
Rushing Yards Lost	66	8
NET YARDS PASSING	58	284
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions	9-16-0	16-25-0
Average Per Attempt	3.6	11.4
Average Per Completion	6.4	17.8 3
Passing Touchdowns	0	3 740
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS Total Offensive Plays	112 48	80
Average Gain Per Play	2.3	9.2
Fumbles: Number-Lost	4-0	1-0
Penalties: Number-Yards	2-7	5-54
PUNTS-YARDS	8-334	0-0
Average Yards Per Punt	41.8	0.0
Net Yards Per Punt	27.1	0.0
Inside 20	1	0.0
50+ Yards	0	0
Touchbacks	1	0
Fair Catch	0	0
KICKOFFS-YARDS	2-125	11-678
Average Yards Per Kickoff	62.5	61.6
Net Yards Per Kickoff	34.0	40.5
Touchbacks	1	8
Fair Catch Yards	0	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	5-106-0
Average Per Return	0.0	21.2
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-8-0	1-32-0
Average Per Return	8.0	32.0
Interceptions: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	28:15	31:45
Third-Down Conversions	2 of 12	9 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	3 of 4
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	0-0	7-8
Touchdowns	0	5
Field goals	0	2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-6	0-0
PAT Kicks	0-0	9-9
2Pts Conversions Field Goals	0-0 0-1	0-0
Points off turnovers	0-1	2-2 0
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## #6/7 Tennessee #15/13 Oklahoma

Sept. 21, 2024
Gaylord Family

Gaylord Family-Memorial Stadium Norman, Okla.

Attendance: 84,701 Time: 6:44 p.m. CT • Duration: 3:46

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RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Sampson, Dylan	24	97	5	92	1	16	3.8
Bishop, DeSean	16	70	5	65	0	17	4.1
lamaleava, Nico	8	29	14	15	0	16	1.9
White, Squirrel	1	0	7	-7	0	0	-7.0
TEAM	3	0	14	-14	0	0	-4.7

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Iamaleava, Nico	13	21	194	1	0	66	3

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
McCoy, Bru	4	92	0	42
Thornton Jr., Dont'e	2	73	1	66
White, Squirrel	3	13	0	14
Davis, Ethan	1	8	0	8
Staes, Holden	2	8	0	6
Brazzell II, Chris	1	0	0	0

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB	50+
Ross, Jackson	8	387	48.4	57	2	1	3

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Gilbert, Max	3	3	41	27G, 41G, 32G
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	Punt	Punts			offs		Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
White, Squirrel	2	12	8	1	0	0	0	0	0
McCov. Jermod	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	17	17

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RUSHING	Att.	Gain	LOSS	net	טו	Long	Avg.
Hawkins Jr., Michael	12	46	24	22	0	11	1.8
Burks, Deion	2	18	0	18	0	11	9.0
Tatum,Taylor	3	14	0	14	0	6	4.7
Barnes, Jovantae	8	19	7	12	1	17	1.5
Sawchuk, Gavin	2	0	2	-2	0	0	-1.0
Franklin,Sam	1	0	3	-3	0	0	-3.0
TEAM	1	0	4	-4	0	0	-4.0
Arnold, Jackson	5	7	28	-21	0	7	-4.2

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Hawkins Jr., Michael	11	18	132	1	0	46	2
Arnold, Jackson	7	16	54	0	1	12	1

<b>RECEIVING</b> Pettaway,Jaquaize	<b>No.</b> 3	<b>Yds.</b> 79	<b>TD</b> 0	Long 46	
Sharp,Bauer	4	36	0	13	
Burks,Deion	4	32	0	12	
Thompson, Brenen	2	18	0	12	
Roberts, Jake	2	11	0	9	
Ragins, Zion	1	10	0	10	
Barnes, Jovantae	2	0	1	2	

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB	50+
Elzinga,Luke	7	357	51	63	3	1	4

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Keltner, Tyler	1	1	37	37G

Key: G=Good, WL=Wide Left, WR=Wide Right, S=Short, B=Blocked

Punts				Kicko	offs		Inter	Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	
Bowen.Pevton	5	30	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	

## **Dominant Defense Leads #6/7 Vols to Victory**

No. 6 Tennessee showcased its defensive prowess in a commanding, 25-15 SEC-opening victory over No. 15 Oklahoma at Memorial Stadium. The win marked the Vols' 10th over a ranked opponent under head coach Josh Heupel, who made the return to his alma mater a memorable one. Tennessee established defensive dominance from the outset, limiting the Sooners to just 222 total yards, including 36 on the ground. The Vols had an impressive defensive streak end as they went 19 quarters without allowing an offensive touchdown, which went down as the second-longest in program history. Linebacker Arion Carter was a standout for Tennessee's defense, recording six tackles, including one for a loss, and breaking up a pass. Andre Turrentine, Christian Harrison, and Keenan Pili each contributed five tackles, with Pili particularly disruptive, adding a tackle for loss and two quarterback hurries. Tennessee forced three Oklahoma turnovers thorughout the contest, including Jermod McCoy's first interception as a Vol, a forced fumble and recovery by Joshua Josephs and another fumble recovery by Jakobe Thomas. As a unit, the Vols' defense registered three sacks and 11 tackles for loss led by Jaxson Moi who posted a pair of solo stops behind the line of scrimmage. On the offensive front, quarterback Nico lamaleava had a solid performance in his first SEC start that included a career-long 66-yard scoring strike to **Dont'e Thornton Jr.** and four completions to Bru McCoy for 92 yards. Dylan Sampson finished with 92 yards on 24 carries and a touchdown, while fellow running back **DeSean Bishop** contributed 65 yards on 16 carries. As the clock expired in Norman, lamaleava presented the game ball to his head coach in recognition of the significant victory.

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	UT	OU
FIRST DOWNS	14	16
Rushing	8	4
Passing	5	8
Penalty	1	4
NET YARDS RUSHING	151	36
Rushing Attempts	52	34
Average Per Rush	2.9	1.1
Rushing Touchdowns	1	1
Rushing Yards Gained	196	104
Rushing Yards Lost	45	68
NET YARDS PASSING	194	186
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions	13-21-0	18-34-1
Average Per Attempt	9.2	5.5
Average Per Completion	14.9	10.3
Passing Touchdowns	1	1
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	345	222
Total Offensive Plays	73	68
Average Gain Per Play	4.7	3.3
Fumbles: Number-Lost	2-2	4-2
Penalties: Number-Yards	10-82	3-32
PUNTS-YARDS	8-387	7-357
Average Yards Per Punt	48.4	51.0
Net Yards Per Punt	42.1	46.4
Inside 20	2	3
50+ Yards	3	4
Touchbacks	1	1
Fair Catch	1	2
KICKOFFS-YARDS	6-390	4-262
Average Yards Per Kickoff	65.0	65.5
Net Yards Per Kickoff	40.0	48.5
Touchbacks	6	1
Fair Catch Yards	0	43
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	2-12-0	5-30-0
Average Per Return	6.0	6.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-0-0	0-0-0
Average Per Return	0.0	0.0
Interceptions: Number-Yards-TD	1-17-0	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-1-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	35:41	24:28
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 19	3 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	1 of 3
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-3	3-4
Touchdowns	1	2
Field goals	2	1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-27	3-14
PAT Kicks	2-2	0-1
2Pts Conversions	0-0	0-1
Field Goals	3-3	1-1
Points off turnovers	10	0

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Sampson, Dylan

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# #4/4 Tennessee Arkansas

Oct. 5, 2024
DWR Razorback Stadium
Fayetteville, Ark.
Attendance: 75,573

Time: 6:45 p.m. CT • Duration: 3:45

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RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Av
Sampson, Dylan	22	138	0	138	2	53	6.3
Bishop, DeSean	3	19	0	19	0	13	6.3
lamaleava, Nico	11	36	19	17	0	12	1.5

PASSING Iamaleava, Nico	<b>Cmp.</b> 17	<b>Att.</b> 29	<b>Yds.</b> 158	<b>TD</b> 0	<b>Int.</b> 0	Long 42	Sacks 4
RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long			
Thornton Jr., Dont'e	1	42	0	42			
White, Squirrel	7	38	0	10			
Kitselman, Miles	2	24	0	17			
Brazzell II, Chris	2	21	0	15			
Nimrod, Chas	2	13	0	11			

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PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB	50+
Ross, Jackson	7	299	42.7	51	2	1	2

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	Punt	s		Kicko	offs		Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Seldon Cameron	0	0	0	1	24	24	Ο	0	Ο

Arkansas							
RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Russell, Braylen	8	62	0	62	0	24	7.8
Jackson, Ja'Quinden	20	61	4	57	1	22	2.9
Singleton, Malachi	4	16	1	15	1	11	3.8
Dubinion, Rashod	2	10	0	10	0	8	5.0
TEAM	1	0	2	-2	0	0	-2.0
Green, Taylen	9	9	14	-5	0	4	-0.6

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Green, Taylen	19	27	266	0	0	30	1
Singleton, Malachi	2	3	31	0	0	18	1

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Armstrong, Andrew	9	132	0	30
Sategna, Isaiah	5	72	0	23
Jackson, Ja'Quinden	2	33	0	26
Broden, Tyrone	1	22	0	22
Dubinion, Rashod	1	18	0	18
Hasz, Luke	1	16	0	16
Anthony, Jordan	1	4	0	4
Gumms, Var'Keyes	1	0	0	0

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB	50+
Bale, Devin	3	172	57.3	66	0	11	2

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks	
Keltner, Tyler	2	1	22	20G, 44WL	
Shipley, Matthew	1	1	23	23G	
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Key: G=Good, WL=Wide Left, WR=Wide Right, S=Short, B=Blocked

	Punts	;		Kicko	offs		Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Sategna, Isaiah	2	13	8	0	0	0	0	0	0

## #4 Vols Come Up Short in Loss at Arkansas

No. 4/4 Tennessee fell to Arkansas, 19-14, in a low-scoring affair on the road at DWR Razorback Stadium in Fayetteville. After falling behind 14-3 in the third quarter, the Razorbacks scored the final 16 points of the game to pull out the victory and hand the Volunteers their first loss of the season, snapping a six-game winning streak in the process. A last-ditch effort on the final drive came up just short as the Volunteers were stopped on fourth-and-5 from the 21-yard line on the final play of the game. UT's defense put forth another solid effort but came up one stop short as Arkansas scored on their final possession of the game to pull ahead for the first time in the second half. The Vols racked up seven tackles for loss, led by James Pearce Jr. (2.0) and Arion Carter (1.5), who were two of nine different players to post at least half a tackle for loss. Despite the offensive struggles overall, **Dylan Sampson** was a bright spot once again. The junior running back recorded his fourth 100-yard rushing performance of the year and the eighth of his career, finishing with a season-high 138 rushing yards and two touchdowns on 22 carries. Sampson led a third-quarter offensive surge with a pair of touchdowns on UT's first two possessions of the half. In those two drives, the Baton Rouge, Louisiana, native carried the ball six times for 77 yards before plunging into the end zone to finish off both possessions. Three Vols finished with career highs in tackles in Will Brooks (10), Pearce Jr. (nine) and Carter (eight), while Keenan Pili led all players with a game-high 14 stops, the most in a game during his UT career.

			1st	2nd	3rd	4th		Final	
Tenn	essee		0	0	14	0	-	14	
Arka	ınsas		3	0	7	9	-	19	
1st	05:47	ARK	K. Ra	msey 2	0 yd fi	ield go	al		
3rd	12:33	UT	D. Sampson 4 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)						
3rd	08:19	UT	D. Sa	mpson	4 yd r	un (M.	Gilber	t kick)	
3rd	04:38	ARK	J. Ja	ckson 2	yd rur	n (M. Sh	nipley	kick)	
4th	12:08	ARK	M. Sł	nipley 2	3 yd fi	eld goa	ıl		
4th	01:17	ARK	M. Si	ngletor	11 yd i	run (2- <sub> </sub>	ot con	version f	ailed)

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FIRST DOWNS	16	23
Rushing	6	8
Passing	8	14
Penalty	2	1
NET YARDS RUSHING	174	137
Rushing Attempts	36	44
Average Per Rush	4.8	3.1
Rushing Touchdowns	2	2
Rushing Yards Gained	193	158
Rushing Yards Lost	19	21
NET YARDS PASSING	158	297
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions	17-29-0	21-30-0
Average Per Attempt	5.4	9.9
Average Per Completion	9.3	14.1
Passing Touchdowns	0	0
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	332	434
Total Offensive Plays	65	74
Average Gain Per Play	5.1	5.9
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-0	2-0
Penalties: Number-Yards	10-60	6-45
PUNTS-YARDS	7-299	3-172
Average Yards Per Punt	42.7	57.3
Net Yards Per Punt	38.0	50.7
Inside 20	2	0
50+ Yards	2	2
Touchbacks	1	1
Fair Catch	1	0
KICKOFFS-YARDS	3-195	5-324
Average Yards Per Kickoff		
Net Yards Per Kickoff	65.0	64.8
	40.0	40.0
Touchbacks	3	4
Fair Catch Yards	0	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	2-13-0
Average Per Return	0.0	6.5
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-24-0	0-0-0
Average Per Return	24.0	0.0
Interceptions: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	24:31	35:28
Third-Down Conversions	7 of 16	6 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 2	1 of 3
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-3	4-5
Touchdowns	2	2
Field goals	0	2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-9	4-19
PAT Kicks	2-2	1-1
2Pts Conversions	0-0	0-1
Field Goals	0-0	2-3
Points off turnovers	0	0

Florida 17 (OT) #8/9 Tennessee 23

17 (OT) Oct. 12, 2024 Neyland Stadium Knoxville, Tenn. Attendance: 101,915

Time: 7:05 p.m. ET • Duration: 3:43

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RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Sampson, Dylan	27	119	7	112	3	23	4.1
Bishop, DeSean	7	24	0	24	0	6	3.4
McCoy, Bru	1	6	0	6	0	6	6.0
lamaleava, Nico	8	22	21	1	0	15	0.1
DASSING	Cmn	Λtt	Vde	TD	Int	Long	Sacks

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
lamaleava, Nico	16	26	169	0	1	24	3

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
White, Squirrel	5	71	0	24
Brazzell II, Chris	3	49	0	23
Nimrod, Chas	1	16	0	16
Thornton Jr., Dont'e	1	11	0	11
Davis, Ethan	2	10	0	11
Sampson, Dylan	2	7	0	8
Staes, Holden	2	5	0	3

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB	50+
Ross, Jackson	7	319	45.6	53	3	0	1

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Gilbert, Max	1	1	35	35G

Key: G=Good, WL=Wide Left, WR=Wide Right, S=Short, B=Blocked

Punts			Kick	offs		Inter	Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
McCoy, Jermod	2	34	17	0	0	0	0	0	0
Carter Arion	Ο	0	Ο	Ο	Ο	Ο	1	15	15

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RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Johnson Jr., Montrell	12	86	1	85	0	23	7.1
Baugh, Jadan	12	35	10	25	0	12	2.1
Jackson, Ja'Kobi	5	20	4	16	0	13	3.2
Mertz, Graham	5	21	10	11	0	15	2.2
Lagway, DJ	5	16	15	1	0	8	0.2
Wilson III, Eugene	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Mertz, Graham	11	15	125	1	0	25	1
Lagway, DJ	9	17	98	1	1	27	2

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Dike, Chimere	4	76	1	27
Boardingham, Arlis	3	40	1	20
Hansen, Hayden	3	40	0	17
Wilson III, Eugene	5	35	0	18
Badger, Elijhah	2	30	0	18
Johnson Jr., Montrell	1	8	0	8
Jackson, Ja'Kobi	1	-1	0	0
Baugh, Jadan	1	-5	0	0

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB	50+
Crawshaw, Jeremy	5	224	44.8	59	2	0	2

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks	
Smack, Trey	2	1	42	42G, 47WR	
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Punts				Kickoffs				Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	
Dike, Chimere	2	57	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Denson, Sharif	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	20	20	

## #8/9 Vols Take Down Gators In Overtime

Dylan Sampson ran for three touchdowns, including the decisive blow in overtime, as No. 8/9 Tennessee overcame a double-digit third-quarter deficit to stave off Florida, 23-17, in front of a sold-out Checker Neyland crowd. The Vols trailed 10-0 midway through the third quarter before scoring 17 unanswered points to seize the lead with just under 10 minutes remaining in the contest. Florida evened it up at 17 with 29 seconds left and came up empty on its first possession in overtime with a missed field goal, setting the stage for UT's first walk-off victory since defeating No. 3/1 Alabama, 52-49, in regulation on Oct. 15, 2022. Sampson plunged past the goal line from one-yard out, capping his night with 27 carries for 112 yards. Defensively, Tennessee came up with big plays at opportune times to prevent the Gators from adding to their lead. Contributing to that effort were a pair of turnovers forced and fourth-down stops, 12 tackles for losses (by 12 players) and three sacks. Safety Christian Charles, LEO Joshua Josephs, STAR Boo Carter and LEO James Pearce Jr. all recorded seven tackles each, with Carter posting a sack and 1.5 TFLs; Joseph 1.5 TFLs and a pass break-up; Pearce a half sack, TFL, forced fumble and fumble recovery; and Charles a TFL. Defensive tackle Omarr Norman-Lott also was credited with 1.5 sacks along with two tackles. LB Arion Carter had a key interception in the second half. Pearce Jr. forced UF QB Graham Mertz to fumble at the goal line, and Pearce recovered it in one of the biggest plays of the game in the first half. It marked the first time UT secured back-to-back home wins over Florida since 1990-92.

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Tenn	iessee		0	0	10	7	6	-	23		
1st	03:15	FLA	T. Sm	ack 42	yd fie	ld goal					
3rd	07:18	FLA	A. Bo	arding	ham 13	yd pa	ss from	G. Me	ertz (T. Sr	mack kick	.)
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3rd         02:57         TEN         D. Sampson 6 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)           3rd         01:37         TEN         M. Gilbert 35 yd field goal           4th         09:42         TEN         D. Sampson 23 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)           4th         00:29         FLA         C. Dike 27 yd pass from D. Lagway (T. Smack kick)           0T         00:00         TEN         D. Sampson 1 yd run	3rd	07:18	FLA	A. Boardingham 13 yd pass from G. Mertz (T. Smack kick)
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,	4th	09:42	TEN	D. Sampson 23 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)
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	OT	00:00	TEN	D. Sampson 1 yd run

ream stats	UF	UT
FIRST DOWNS	22	18
Rushing	10	9
Passing	10	9
Penalty	1	0
NET YARDS RUSHING	138	143
Rushing Attempts	40	43
	3.4	3.3
Average Per Rush	0	3.3 3
Rushing Touchdowns	178	3 171
Rushing Yards Lost	40	28
Rushing Yards Lost NET YARDS PASSING	223	28 169
	223 20-32-1	16-26-1
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions		
Average Per Attempt	7.0 11.2	6.5 10.6
Average Per Completion		
Passing Touchdowns	2	0
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	361	312
Total Offensive Plays	72	69
Average Gain Per Play	5.0	4.5
Fumbles: Number-Lost	2-1	2-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	6-36	6-47
PUNTS-YARDS	5-224	7-319
Average Yards Per Punt	44.8	45.6
Net Yards Per Punt	38.0	37.4
Inside 20	2	3
50+ Yards	2	1
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair Catch	3	4
KICKOFFS-YARDS	4-260	4-260
Average Yards Per Kickoff	65.0	65.0
Net Yards Per Kickoff	40.0	40.0
Touchbacks	4	4
Fair Catch Yards	0	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	2-57-0	2-34-0
Average Per Return	28.5	17.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Average Per Return	0.0	0.0
Interceptions: Number-Yards-TD	1-20-0	1-15-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	34:56	25:04
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 15	4 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 2	2 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-6	3-3
Touchdowns	2	2
Field goals	1	1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-19	3-25
PAT Kicks	2-2	2-2
2Pts Conversions Field Goals	0-0 1-2	0-0 1-1
Points off turnovers	0	1-1 3
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## #7/7 Alabama #11/10 Tennessee

Oct. 19, 2024 Neyland Stadium Knoxville, Tenn. Attendance: 101,915

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RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Sampson, Dylan	26	140	1	139	2	36	5.3
lamaleava, Nico	9	61	17	44	0	27	4.9
Bishop, DeSean	5	36	0	36	0	15	7.2
Seldon, Cameron	1	1	0	1	0	1	1.0
TEAM	2	0	6	-6	0	0	-3.0
PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Iamaleava, Nico	14	27	194	1	1	55	3
Moore, Gaston	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long			
McCoy, Bru	6	80	0	23			
Thornton Jr., Dont'e	3	70	0	55			
Brazzell II, Chris	2	27	1	16			
Davis, Ethan	2	12	0	11			
Staes, Holden	1	5	0	5			
PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	ТВ	50+
Ross, Jackson	4	187	46.8	49	2	0	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks	
Gilbert, Max	3	1	41	53WR, 50WR, 41G	
Key: G=Good, V	VL=Wide Left,	WR=Wid	de Right,	S=Short, B=Blocked	

	Punt	S		Kicko	offs		Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Seldon, Cameron	0	0	0	1	18	18	0	0	0
McCoy, Jermod	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	54	54
Brooks, Will	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

#### Alabama DUCHING

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	ID	Long	Avg.
Miller, Jamarion	12	50	8	42	0	11	3.5
Haynes, Justice	8	22	0	22	1	7	2.8
Milroe, Jalen	14	41	30	11	0	10	8.0
PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Milroe, Jalen	25	45	239	1	2	28	3
RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long			
Williams, Ryan	8	73	1	16			
Bernard, Germie	5	72	0	28			
Law, Kendrick	4	37	0	20			
Haynes, Justice	5	34	0	13			
Dippre, CJ	2	21	0	12			
Miller, Jamarion	1	2	0	2			
PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB	50+

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Nicholson, Graham	2	1	35	54S, 35G
Key: G=Good, WL=W	ide Left,	WR=Wia	le Right,	S=Short, B=Blocked

Punts	Kickoffs	Interception

	Punt	S		KICKO	otts		Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Adams, Cole	3	15	11	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mbakwe, Jaylen	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	9	9
Moore, Malachi	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	41	41

## #11/10 Tennessee Turns Back #7 Tide

Safety Will Brooks' fourth-quarter interception with 1:28 remaining sealed the deal as Tennessee's defense was stout throughout and its offense scored all of its points in the second half to earn a thrilling 24-17 victory over rival Alabama in front of a raucous crowd at Neyland Stadium. The Vols trailed 7-0 at the half, 10-7 in the third quarter and 17-14 in the fourth before a 16-yard Nico lamaleava pass found a diving Chris Brazzell II in the back of the end zone to put UT up 21-17 with 5:52 remaining. Max Gilbert's 41yard field goal with 1:30 left extended the final lead to seven, 24-17. The Crimson Tide, though, had one final opportunity, starting at its own 25. On the first play, quarterback Jalen Milroe's pass attempt was picked off by Brooks. The Tennessee offense took two snaps to run out the clock, setting the scene for the orange-clad masses to stream onto the field, reminiscent of the 52-49 Vols triumph in Knoxville two seasons ago. Running back Dylan Sampson propelled a second-half resurgence by the Big Orange's offense, carrying 26 times for a career-high-tying 139 yards and two touchdowns on the night. With the two scores, Sampson passed Tony Thompson (16 in 1990) and tied Reggie Cobb (17 in 1987) for the second-most single-season rushing TDs in Tennessee history. In addition to Brooks' pick, cornerback Jermod McCoy came up with a huge one earlier in the game to prevent points by Alabama. With the Tide threatening at the UT three-yard line, the cornerback leaped high into the air to intercept a second-down Milroe pass in the end zone and return the ball 54 yards to the Alabama 46. McCoy finished the game with a team-high eight stops and added a pass break-up. Brooks also matched McCoy for tackles, including a pair of key stops that appeared to thwart potential scoring plays, and added a tackle for a loss. Alabama's last four drives managed only three yards.

			1st	2nd	3rd	4th		Final	
Alaba	ama		0	7	3	7	-	17	
Tenne	essee		0	0	14	10	-	24	
2nd	13:01	ALA	R. W	illiams :	5 yd pa	ass fron	n J. M	ilroe (G	Nich
3rd	06:32	UT	D. Sa	mpson	2 yd r	un (M. (	Gilber	t kick)	
3rd	03:11	ALA	G. Ni	cholsor	1 35 yd	l field g	oal		
3rd	01:00	UT	D. Sa	mpson	3 yd r	un (M. (	Gilber	t kick)	
4th	13:56	ALA	J. Ha	ynes 7	yd run	(G. Nic	holso	n kick)	
4th	05:52	UT	C. Br	azzell II	16 yd	pass fro	om N.	lamale	ava (I
4th	01:30	UT	M. Gi	lbert 4	l vd fie	ld goal			

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	ALA	UT
FIRST DOWNS	23	21
Rushing	8	7
Passing	12	8
Penalty	3	6
NET YARDS RUSHING	75	214
Rushing Attempts	34	43
Average Per Rush	2.2	5.0
Rushing Touchdowns	1	2
Rushing Yards Gained	113	238
Rushing Yards Lost	38	24
NET YARDS PASSING	239	194
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions	25-45-2	14-28-2
Average Per Attempt	5.3	6.9
Average Per Completion	9.6	13.9
Passing Touchdowns	1	1
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	314	408
Total Offensive Plays	79	71
Average Gain Per Play	4.0	5.7
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	15-115	11-95
PUNTS-YARDS	7-327	4-187
Average Yards Per Punt	46.7	46.8
Net Yards Per Punt	43.9	43.0
Inside 20	2	2
50+ Yards	2	0
	1	0
Touchbacks	3	0
Fair Catch	3 4-254	5-325
KICKOFFS-YARDS		
Average Yards Per Kickoff	63.5	65.0
Net Yards Per Kickoff	41.8	40.0
Touchbacks	2	5
Fair Catch Yards	19	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	3-15-0	0-0-0
Average Per Return	5.0	0.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-18-0
Average Per Return	0.0	18.0
Interceptions: Number-Yards-TD	2-50-0	2-54-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	33:15	26:32
Third-Down Conversions	3 of 14	6 of 14
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 2	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-4	3-4
Touchdowns	2	3
Field goals	1	0
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-17	3-19
PAT Kicks	2-2	3-3
2Pts Conversions	0-0	0-0
Field Goals	1-2	1-3
Points off turnovers	0	0

# **Kentucky** #7/7 Tennessee

Nov. 2, 2024
Neyland Stadium
Knoxville, Tenn.
Attendance: 101,915

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Jamaleava, Nico

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RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Sampson, Dylan	27	143	1	142	2	17	5.3
Lewis, Peyton	8	25	1	24	1	5	3.0
Iamaleava, Nico	7	22	8	14	0	8	2.0
Bishop, DeSean	1	6	0	6	0	6	6.0
TEAM	1	0	1	-1	0	0	-1.0
PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks

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RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long	
Kitselman, Miles	6	97	1	31	
McCoy, Bru	5	56	0	23	
Nimrod, Chas	3	45	0	19	
Thornton Jr., Dont'e	5	36	0	9	
Staes, Holden	3	27	0	20	
White, Squirrel	2	11	0	6	
Brazzell II, Chris	2	11	0	7	
Sampson, Dylan	1	9	0	9	
Matthews, Mike	1	0	0	0	

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	ТВ	50+
Ross, Jackson	3	119	39.7	45	1	0	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks	
Gilbert, Max	3	0	n/a	43WL,	40WR, 34WL
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Key: G=Good,	WL=Wide Left,	WR=Wide	Right,	S=Short,	B=Blocked
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	Punts			Kicko	offs		Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
McCoy, Jermod	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lewis, Peyton	0	0	0	1	21	21	0	0	0
Turrentine, Andre	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Brooks, Will	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	67	67

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RUSHING Wilcox, Jamarion	<b>Att.</b> 17	Gain 102	<b>Loss</b> O	<b>Net</b> 102	<b>TD</b> 0	Long 50	<b>Avg.</b> 6.0
Sumo-Karngbaye, D.	6	38	0	38	0	15	6.3
Wimsatt, Gavin	4	20	0	20	0	13	5.0
Vandagriff, Brock	9	37	23	14	0	16	1.6
TEAM	1	0	6	-6	0	0	-6.0

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Vandagriff, Brock	10	17	123	1	1	27	3
Wimsatt, Gavin	4	10	69	1	1	32	0

43 32	1	26 32
20		
29	0	16
27	1	27
25	0	25
11	0	6
10	0	7
9	0	9
6	0	6
1	25 1 0	15 0 1 0 0 0 0 0

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB	50+
Laros, Aidan	4	200	50	61	2	0	2

Laros, Aldan	4	200	50	61	2	U	
FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks			
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Raynor, Alex	1	1	32	32G			
Rayrior, Alex		_ '	JZ	320			

Key: G=Good, WL=Wide Left, WR=Wide Right, S=Short, B=Blocked

	Punts	Punts			offs		Inter	Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	
Walker, Deone	0	0	0	1	16	16	0	0	0	
Brown, Barion	0	0	0	1	23	23	0	0	0	

## #7 Vols Dominate Final Three Quarters, Upend Kentucky

No. 7 Tennessee outscored visiting Kentucky by 17 points over the final 35 minutes inside a sold-out Neyland Stadium, treating the 101,915 fans in attendance to a 28-18 triumph. The Volunteers scored 21 of the game's 29 second-half points en route to defeating the Wildcats for the fourth time in as many tries under head coach Josh Heupel. A staunch Tennessee defense forced three turnovers, two of which led to second-half touchdowns, helping the team post a second-half comeback victory for the third consecutive outing. Junior running back **Dylan Sampson** totaled a career-high-tying 27 carries for a careerbest 142 yards and etched his name into Tennessee history with a pair of rushing touchdowns, setting the single-season school record for rushing scores at 19. The record-breaking was a total team effort as all 10 of Sampson's teammates on the field pushed the pile over the goal line for a six-yard touchdown with 4:55 remaining in the contest. Redshirt freshman quarterback Nico lamaleava was magnificent, completing 28-of-38 passes for 292 yards and a six-yard touchdown through the air to tight end Miles Kitselman, who led all receivers with six catches for 97 yards - the most by a Vol tight end in a single game since 2012. Defensively, starting safeties **Andre Turrentine** and WIII Brooks each came up with interceptions in the win, the latter of which was returned 67 yards to set up a Tennessee scoring drive late in the third quarter. Junior edge rusher Joshua Josephs generated a momentum-shifting play in the third quarter as well, as his strip sack was recovered by sophomore linebacker Jeremiah Telander. Arion Carter led the defensive unit with 10 total tackles, followed by Jalen Smith with 9 total stops.

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Tenn	essee		0	7	14	7	-	28				
1st	05:28	UK	J. Kat	. Kattus 27 yd pass from B. Vandagriff (A. Raynor kick)								
2nd	04:45	UT	P. Lev	P. Lewis 1 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)								
2nd	00:30	UK	A. Ra	A. Raynor 32 yd field goal								
3rd	08:28	UT	D. Sar	D. Sampson 7 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)								
3rd	00:33	UT	M. Kit	M. Kitselman 6 yd pass from N. lamaleava (M. Gilbert kick)								
4th	13:31	UK	J. Mad	J. Maclin 32 yd pass from G. Wimsatt (J. Maclin pass)								
4th	04:55	UT	D. Sampson 6 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)									

Final

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	UK	UT
FIRST DOWNS	19	29
Rushing	9	13
Passing	6	15
Penalty	4	1
NET YARDS RUSHING	168	185
Rushing Attempts	37	44
Average Per Rush	4.5	4.2
Rushing Touchdowns	0	3
Rushing Yards Gained	197	196
Rushing Yards Lost	29	11
NET YARDS PASSING	192	292
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions	14-27-2	28-38-0
Average Per Attempt	7.1	7.7
Average Per Completion	13.7	10.4
Passing Touchdowns	2	1
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	360	477
Total Offensive Plays	64	82
Average Gain Per Play	5.6	5.8
Fumbles: Number-Lost	2-1	2-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	10-71	9-77
PUNTS-YARDS	4-200	3-119
Average Yards Per Punt	50.0	39.7
Net Yards Per Punt	51.2	39.7
Inside 20	2	1
50+ Yards	2	0
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair Catch	1	1
KICKOFFS-YARDS	4-257	5-325
Average Yards Per Kickoff	64.2	65.0
Net Yards Per Kickoff	40.2	42.2
Touchbacks	3	3
Fair Catch Yards	0	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	2-2-0
Average Per Return	0.0	1.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	2-39-0	1-21-0
Average Per Return	19.5	21.0
Interceptions: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	2-67-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	30:32	29:28
Third-Down Conversions Fourth-Down Conversions	4 of 14 0 of 2	7 of 14 1 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-2	4-8
Touchdowns	0	4-0
	1	0
Field goals Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-8	3-23
PAT Kicks	2-0 1-1	3-23 4-4
2Pts Conversions	1-1	0-0
Field Goals	1-1	0-0
Points off turnovers	0	7
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# Mississippi State #7/6/7 Tennessee

Nov. 9, 2024 Neyland Stadium Knoxville, Tenn. Attendance: 101,915

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Tennessee

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Sampson, Dylan	30	152	3	149	1	33	5.0
Lewis, Peyton	14	44	0	44	0	11	3.1
Seldon, Cameron	6	26	0	26	0	10	4.3
Iamaleava, Nico	4	22	0	22	0	13	5.5
Moore, Gaston	2	3	0	3	0	2	1.5
TEAM	1	0	4	-4	0	0	-4.0

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Iamaleava, Nico	8	13	174	2	0	73	0
Moore, Gaston	5	8	38	0	0	14	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Thornton Jr., Dont'e	3	104	1	73
White, Squirrel	3	63	1	34
Brazzell II, Chris	2	17	0	11
McCoy, Bru	2	12	0	8
Davis, Ethan	1	11	0	11
Kitselman, Miles	1	8	0	8
Sampson, Dylan	1	-3	0	0

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB	50+
Ross, Jackson	3	139	46.3	49	0	0	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks	
Gilbert, Max	4	4	51	24G, 38G, 51G, 38	G
Key: G=Good,	WL=Wide Left,	WR=W	ide Right,	S=Short, B=Blockea	1

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	Punts			Kickoffs			Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Carter. Boo	6	56	28	0	0	0	1	9	9

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#### Mississippi State

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Wright, William

Lewis, Peyton

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Booth, Davon	20	127	2	125	1	43	6.3
Daniels, Johnnie	10	65	2	63	1	18	6.3
Van Buren Jr., M.	8	19	28	-9	0	7	-1.1

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Van Buren Jr., M.							4

RECEIVING Coleman Jr., Kevin	<b>No.</b> 5	<b>Yds.</b> 68	<b>TD</b> 0	Long 23	
Craver, Mario	1	13	0	13	
Daniels, Johnnie	1	5	0	5	
Ball, Justin	1	4	0	4	
Traore, Seydou	1	3	0	3	
Booth, Davon	1	-1	0	0	

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB	50+
Barr-Mira, Nick	7	301	43	50	0	0	1

	Punts			Kicko	offs		Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Coleman Jr., Kevin	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Sampson's Career Night Propels #7 Vols Past State

**Dylan Sampson** rushed for a career-high 149 yards and eclipsed 1,000 for the season and 2,000 for his career as seventh-ranked Tennessee took care of Mississippi State, 33-14, at Neyland Stadium in the Vols' 100th Homecoming game. UT improved to 6-0 on Shields-Watkins Field this season by winning its final Southeastern Conference home game, securing five league wins under head coach Josh Heupel for the second time in three seasons. Wide receiver Dont'e Thornton Jr. caught three passes for 104 yards and a touchdown and carded his second 100-yard receiving game of the year and the third of his career. Squirrel White also added a TD reception and 63 yards receiving. Both wideouts were the recipients of balls thrown by quarterback Nico lamaleava, who finished 8-of-13 for 174 yards and two scores before Gaston Moore handled signalcalling duties in the second half. Sampson tallied his 20th rushing touchdown of the season on a 33-yard scamper, improving his school record and moving into a tie for eighth all-time in SEC single-season history. Additionally, lamaleava and Thornton's 73-yard scoring connection was the longest offensive play for Tennessee this season. Defensively, Tennessee limited the Bulldogs to 271 yards of total offense, which marked the lowest output by a Vol foe since the Arkansas game. MSU's 92 yards passing ranks as the second fewest generated by a Vols opponent in 2024. Jermod McCoy and Arion Carter paced the defense with seven tackles each. Boo Carter came up with his first career interception, while James Pearce Jr., Bryson Eason, Omarr Norman-Lott and Jayson Jenkins recorded sacks.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th		Final
Mississippi State	0	7	7	0	-	14
Tennessee	7	13	10	3	-	33

1st	11:44	UT	S. White 34 yd pass from N. lamaleava (M. Gilbert kick)
2nd	13:35	UT	D. Thornton Jr. 73 yd pass from N. lamaleava (M. Gilbert kick)
2nd	05:47	MSU	D. Booth 1 yd run (K. Ferrie kick)
2nd	00:46	UT	M. Gilbert 24 yd field goal
2nd	00:00	UT	M. Gilbert 38 yd field goal
3rd	07:59	UT	M. Gilbert 51 yd field goal
3rd	06:22	MSU	J. Daniels 18 yd run (K. Ferrie kick)
3rd	03:31	UT	D. Sampson 33 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)
4th	08:14	UT	M. Gilbert 38 yd field goal

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	MSU	UI
FIRST DOWNS	15	25
Rushing	9	13
Passing	5	8
Penalty	1	4
NET YARDS RUSHING	179	240
Rushing Attempts	38	57
Average Per Rush	4.7	4.2
Rushing Touchdowns	2	1
Rushing Yards Gained	211	247
Rushing Yards Connect	32	7
NET YARDS PASSING	92	212
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions	10-26-1	13-21-0
Average Per Attempt	3.5	10.1
Average Per Completion	9.2	16.3
Passing Touchdowns	0	2
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	271	452
Total Offensive Plays	64	78
Average Gain Per Play	4.2	5.8
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-1	2-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	9-85	6-50
PUNTS-YARDS	7-301	3-139
Average Yards Per Punt	43.0	46.3
Net Yards Per Punt	35.0	49.3
Inside 20	0	0
50+ Yards	1	0
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair Catch	0	1
KICKOFFS-YARDS	3-191	7-450
Average Yards Per Kickoff	63.7	64.3
Net Yards Per Kickoff	36.3	38.6
Touchbacks	1	6
Fair Catch Yards	0	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	2-1-0	6-56-0
Average Per Return	0.5	9.3
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	2-57-0
Average Per Return	0.0	28.5
		1-9-0
Interceptions: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	25:42	34:18
Third-Down Conversions	3 of 13	5 of 14
Fourth-Down Conversions	2 of 3	1 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-2	3-6
Touchdowns	2	0
Field goals	0	3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	4-28
PAT Kicks	2-2	3-3
2Pts Conversions	0-0	0-0
Field Goals	0-0	4-4
Points off turnovers	0	0

## #6/4/7 Tennessee #11/10/12 Georgia

Nov. 16, 2024 Sanford Stadium Athens, Ga. Attendance: 93,033

Time: 7:49 p.m. ET • Duration: 3:40

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RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Sampson, Dylan	19	101	0	101	1	27	5.3
Lewis, Peyton	6	32	2	30	0	16	5.0
Iamaleava, Nico	12	40	16	24	0	11	2.0
Kitselman, Miles	1	1	0	1	1	1	1.0
TEAM	1	0	4	-4	0	0	-4.0

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
lamaleava, Nico	20	33	167	0	0	17	5

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long	
Kitselman, Miles	4	46	0	13	
White, Squirrel	6	45	0	17	
McCoy, Bru	4	38	0	14	
Sampson, Dylan	3	16	0	8	
Staes, Holden	1	9	0	9	
Lewis, Peyton	1	7	0	7	
Brazzell II, Chris	1	6	0	6	

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB	50+
Ross, Jackson	5	210	42	53	5	0	1

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Gilbert, Max	1	1	52	52G

Key: G=Good, WL=Wide Left, WR=Wide Right, S=Short, B=Blocked

	Punt	Punts			offs		Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Carter, Boo	1	26	26	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lewis Peyton	0	0	0	1	13	13	Ο	0	0

#### Georgia

RUSHING Frazier, Nate	<b>Att.</b> 19	<b>Gain</b> 69	Loss 1	<b>Net</b> 68	<b>TD</b> 1	<b>Long</b> 16	<b>Avg.</b> 3.6
Beck, Carson	3	32	0	32	1	14	10.7
Bowens, Chauncey	5	9	2	7	0	4	1.4
Bell, Dillon	1	2	0	2	0	2	2.0
TEAM	3	0	3	-3	0	0	-1.0

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Beck, Carson	25	40	347	2	0	38	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Humphreys, London	3	63	0	32
Lovett, Dominic	3	59	0	38
Delp, Oscar	4	56	2	25
Yurosek, Ben	5	51	0	21
Smith, Arian	3	50	0	23
Tuggle, Nitro	2	25	0	16
Luckie, Lawson	1	23	0	23
Bell, Dillon	2	12	0	8
Frazier, Nate	1	4	0	4
Jones, Cash	1	4	0	4

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB	50+
Thorson, Brett	4	177	44.2	53	2	0	2

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Woodring, Peyton	1	1	36	36G

Key: G=Good, WL=Wide Left, WR=Wide Right, S=Short, B=Blocked

	Punts				offs		Interceptions		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Evans III, Anthony	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jones, Cash	0	0	0	1	16	16	0	0	0

## #7 Vols Battle Between the Hedges, Fall to #12 Georgia

The seventh-ranked Vols battled but were unable to overcome No. 12 Georgia, falling 31-17 at Sanford Stadium after jumping out to a 10-0 lead. Running back **Dylan Sampson** led the offense on the ground, rushing 19 times for 101 yards and a touchdown. The score, his 21st of the season, moved the Baton Rouge, Louisiana, native into a tie with Gene McEver for the single-season program record for total touchdowns scored. Redshirt freshman quarterback Nico lamaleava completed 20 of 33 passes for 167 yards, including six completons to wide receiver Squirrel White who caught a team-leading six passes for 45 yards, giving him 128 career receptions and moving him into seventh place on Tennessee's all-time list. On defense, the Vols batted down a season-hightying six passes, with six different players recording a pass breakup. Defensive back Will Brooks led the team with seven tackles. The Vols jumped out to a 10-0 lead in the first quarter after Miles Kitselman's first career rushing touchdown capped the opening drive and Max Gilbert nailed a career-long 52-yard field goal - his second connection from 50-plus in as many weeks. Georgia responded with touchdowns on consecutive drives to take a 14-10 lead in the second quarter. Sampson's touchdown came on a 27yard scamper up the middle in the second quarter, giving him 10 straight games with a rushing touchdown which is the longest streak by a Vol in program history. The Bulldogs closed the first half with a 36-yard field goal and scored 14 unanswered in the second half to pull away with the victory.

			1st	2nd	3rd	4th		Final		
Tenn	essee		10	7	0	0	-	17		
Geor	gia		0	17	7	7	-	31		
1st	10:09	UT	M. Ki	tselmaı	า 1 yd r	un (M.	Gilber	t kick)		
1st	00:43	UT	M. Gi	lbert 52	2 yd fie	ld goal				
2nd	13:30	UGA	O. De	lp 19 y	d pass	from C	. Beck	(P. Wo	odring kick)	
2nd	06:36	UGA	O. De	lp 4 yc	l pass t	rom C.	Beck	(P. Woo	dring kick)	
2nd	01:54	UT	D. Sa	mpson	27 yd	run (M.	Gilbe	rt kick)		
2nd	00:05	UGA	P. Wo	odring	36 yd	field g	oal			
3rd	05:32	UGA	C. Be	ck 10 y	d run (	P. Woo	dring	kick)		
4th	02:26	UGA	N. Fr	azier 2	yd run	(P. Wo	odring	kick)		

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	UT	UGA
FIRST DOWNS	20	25
Rushing	11	8
Passing	8	15
Penalty	1	2
NET YARDS RUSHING	152	106
Rushing Attempts	39	31
Average Per Rush	3.9	3.4
Rushing Touchdowns	2	2
Rushing Yards Gained	174	112
Rushing Yards Lost	22	6
NET YARDS PASSING	167	347
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions	20-33-0	25-40-0
Average Per Attempt	5.1	8.7
Average Per Completion	8.4	13.9
Passing Touchdowns	0	2
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	319	453
Total Offensive Plays	72	71
Average Gain Per Play	4.4	6.4
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-1	1-0
Penalties: Number-Yards	9-70	7-59
PUNTS-YARDS	5-210	4-177
Average Yards Per Punt	42.0	44.2
Net Yards Per Punt	41.6	37.8
Inside 20	5	2
50+ Yards	1	2
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair Catch	3	1
KICKOFFS-YARDS	4-253	6-389
Average Yards Per Kickoff	63.2	64.8
Net Yards Per Kickoff	40.5	41.8
Touchbacks	3	5
Fair Catch Yards	0	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-26-0	1-2-0
Average Per Return	26.0	2.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-13-0	1-16-0
Average Per Return	13.0	16.0
Interceptions: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	29:31	30:29
Third-Down Conversions	10 of 18	8 of 14
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 2	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-1 1	5-5 4
Touchdowns		
Field goals	0	1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	5-19
PAT Kicks	2-2	4-4
2Pts Conversions	0-0	0-0
Field Goals	1-1	1-1
Points off turnovers	0	0

**OVERALL: 8-2 SEC: 5-2 HOME: 6-0 AWAY: 1-2 NEUTRAL: 1-0** 

SCHED	OULE & RES	SULTS								
Date	UT (rank)	Opponent	TV	Site	Time/Result	Att.	Top Rusher (A-Y-TD)	Top Passer (C-A-Y-TD)	Top Receiver (R-Y-TD)	Top Tackler
Aug. 31	15/15	Chattanooga	SECN	Knoxville	W, 69-3	101,915	D. Sampson (12-124-3)	N. lamaleava (22-28-314-3)	D. Thornton (3-105-2)	W. Brooks (5)
Sept. 7	14/12	vs. #24/23 NC State	ABC	Charlotte	W, 51-10	72,730	D. Sampson (20-132-2)	N. lamaleava (16-23-211-2)	S. White (2-67-0)	Three tied (4)
Sept. 14	7/9	Kent State	SECN	Knoxville	W, 71-0	101,915	D. Bishop (7-120-2)	N. lamaleava (10-16-173-1)	D. Thornton (2-64-0)	E. Farooq (6)
Sept. 21	6/7	at #15/13 Oklahoma*	ABC	Norman	W, 25-15	84,701	D. Sampson (24-92-1)	N. lamaleava (13-21-194-1)	B. McCoy (4-92-0)	A. Carter (6)
Oct. 5	4/4	at Arkansas*	ABC	Fayetteville	L, 19-14	75,573	D. Sampson (22-138-2)	N. lamaleava (16-28-158-0)	D. Thornton (1-42-0)	K. Pili (14)
Oct. 12	8/9	Florida*	ESPN	Knoxville	W, 23-17 (OT)	101,915	D. Sampson (27-112-3)	N. lamaleava (16-26-169-0)	S. White (5-71-0)	Four tied (7)
Oct. 19	11/10	#7/7 Alabama*	ABC	Knoxville	W, 24-17	101,915	D. Sampson (26-139-2)	N. lamaleava (14-27-194-1)	B. McCoy (6-80-0)	Brooks/McCoy (8
Nov. 2	7/7	Kentucky*	SECN	Knoxville	W, 28-18	101,915	D. Sampson (27-142-2)	N. lamaleava (28-38-292-1)	M. Kitselman (6-97-1)	A. Carter (10)
Nov. 9	7/6/7	Miss. State* (HC)	ESPN	Knoxville	W, 33-14	101,915	D. Sampson (30-149-1)	N. lamaleava (8-13-174-2)	D. Thornton (3-104-1)	Carter/McCoy (7)
Nov. 16	6/4/7	at #11/10/12 Georgia*	ABC	Athens	L, 31-17	93,033	D. Sampson (19-101-1)	N. lamaleava (20-33-167-0)	M. Kitselman (4-46-0)	W. Brooks (7)
Nov. 23	10/11/11	UTEP	SECN+	Knoxville	1 p.m. ET					
Nov. 30	-/-	at Vanderbilt*	ABC	Nashville	12 ET					
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Rankings listed (AP/Coaches/CFP) \*SEC Game

## **TEAM STATS**

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Scoring	355	144
Points per game	35.5	14.4
Points Off Turnovers	34	10
First Downs	233	171
Rushing	112	65
Passing	105	87
Penalty	16	19
Rushing Yardage	2262	1006
Yards gained rushing	2445	1366
Yards lost rushing	183	360
Rushing attempts	459	353
Average per rush	4.9	2.8
Average per game	226.2	100.6
TDs Rushing	28	3
Passing Yardage	2295	1891
Comp-Att-Int	186-288-6	170-296-8
Average per pass	8.0	6.4
Average per catch	12.3	11.1
Average per game	229.5	189.1
TDs Passing	13	8
Total offense	4557	2897
Total plays	747	649
Average per play	6.1	4.5
Average per game	455.7	289.7
Kick returns: #-Yards	9-200	5-65
Punt returns: #-Yards	24-363	15-118
Int returns: #-Yards	8-247	6-257
Kick return average	22,2	13.0
Punt return average	15.1	7.9
Int return average	30.9	42.8
Fumbles-Lost	13-7	21-8
Penalties-Yards	79-657	73-567
Average per game	65.7	56.7
Punts-Yards	39-1726	60-2682
	44.3	44.7
Average per punt	44.3	38.8
Net punt average		37-2356
Kickoffs-Yards	66-4235	
Average per kick	64.2	63.7
Net kick average	40.4	40.4
Time of possession / game	29:45	30:14
3rd-down conversion	70/154	38/138
3rd-down pct	45%	28%
4rd-down conversion	10/15	5/17
4rd-down pct	67%	29%
Sacks by-Yards	22-152	23-108
Misc Yards	0	C
Touchdowns scored	43	17
Field goals - attempts	17-23	9-15
On-Side kicks	1-1	0-1
Red-zone scores	(38-49) 78%	(23-32) 72%
Red-zone touchdowns	(27-49) 55%	(14-32) 44%
	(42-42) 100%	(13-14) 93%
PAT-attempts		
•		(1-3) 33%
PAT-attempts 2-point conversion-attempts	(0-0) 0%	(1-3) 33%
•		(1-3) 33% 252677 3/84226

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	ОТ	TOT
Tennessee	95	98	95	61	6	355
Opponents	16	37	41	50	0	144

# INDIVIDUAL OFFENSIVE STATS

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Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Dylan Sampson	10	220	1253	23	1230	5.6	21	56	123.0
DeSean Bishop	8	54	379	7	372	6.9	3	53	46.5
Nico Iamaleava	10	76	338	105	233	3.1	1	31	23.3
Peyton Lewis	10	45	219	3	216	4.8	1	35	21.6
Cameron Seldon	5	14	74	0	74	5.3	0	14	14.8
Khalifa Keith	3	17	62	1	61	3.6	1	9	20.3
Hunter Barnes	3	7	38	0	38	5.4	0	14	12.7
Jake Merklinger	2	7	30	8	22	3.1	0	24	11.0
Gaston Moore	5	3	18	0	18	6.0	0	15	3.6
Bru McCoy	10	2	15	0	15	7.5	0	9	1.5
Patrick Wilk	2	3	12	0	12	4.0	0	9	6.0
Navy Shuler	1	1	6	0	6	6.0	0	6	6.0
Miles Kitselman	10	1	1	0	1	1.0	1	1	0.1
Squirrel White	10	1	0	7	-7	-7.0	0	0	-0.7
Team	10	8	0	29	-29	-3.6	0	0	-2.9
Total	10	459	2445	183	2262	4.9	28	56	226.2
Opponents	10	353	1366	360	1006	2.8	8	50	100.6

Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Nico Iamaleava	10	143.4	164-254-4	64.6	2046	11	73	204.6
Gaston Moore	5	141.9	16-25-2	64.0	201	2	53	40.2
Jake Merklinger	2	111.5	6-9-0	66.7	48	0	13	24.0
Total	10	142.3	186-288-6	64.6	2295	13	73	229.5
Opponents	10	114.6	170-296-8	57.4	1891	8	46	189.1

#### Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Bru McCoy	10	31	395	12.7	0	42	39.5
Squirrel White	10	31	349	11.3	1	45	34.9
Chris Brazzell II	10	23	271	11.8	2	53	27.1
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	10	20	505	25.3	4	73	50.5
Miles Kitselman	10	17	229	13.5	3	31	22.9
Dylan Sampson	10	15	110	7.3	0	21	11.0
Holden Staes	10	13	101	7.8	1	20	10.1
Ethan Davis	9	10	75	7.5	1	16	8.3
Chas Nimrod	10	9	115	12.8	0	27	11.5
Kaleb Webb	5	5	44	8.8	0	13	8.8
Trey Weary	2	3	18	6.0	0	8	9.0
Mike Matthews	8	3	35	11.7	1	18	4.4
DeSean Bishop	8	1	10	10.0	0	10	1.3
Cameron Seldon	5	1	-2	-2.0	0	0	-0.4
Khalifa Keith	3	1	8	8.0	0	8	2.7
Nathan Leacock	5	1	13	13.0	0	13	2.6
Dayton Sneed	3	1	12	12.0	0	12	4.0
Peyton Lewis	10	1	7	7.0	0	7	0.7
Total	10	186	2295	12.3	13	73	229.5
Opponents	10	170	1891	11.1	8	46	189.1

## **INDIVIDUAL OFFENSIVE/SPECIAL TEAMS STATISTICS**

Field Goals									
Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Max Gilbert	17-23	73.9	0-0	3-3	8-9	4-6	2-5	52	0
Opponents	9-15	60.0	0-0	3-4	4-4	2-4	0-3	43	0

				PAT					
Player	td	fg	kick	rush	rcv	pass	dxp	saf	pts
Dylan Sampson	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	126
Max Gilbert	-	17-23	40-40	-	-	-	-	-	91
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
Miles Kitselman	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
DeSean Bishop	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Chris Brazzell II	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Will Brooks	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Holden Staes	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Squirrel White	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	- [	6
Ethan Davis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Khalifa Keith	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Nico Iamaleava	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Mike Matthews	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Peyton Lewis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Jordan Ross	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Josh Turbyville	-	-	2-2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Jayson Jenkins	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
Total	43	17-23	42-42	0	0	0	0	2	355
Opponents	17	9-15	13-14	0	1	1	0	0	144

Score by Periods											
Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	ОТ	тот					
Tennessee	95	98	95	61	6	355					
Opponents	16	37	41	50	0	144					

## **Punt Returns**

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Boo Carter	9	137	15.2	0	35
Squirrel White	7	112	16.0	0	31
Jermod McCoy	6	59	9.8	0	23
Jordan Ross	1	49	49.0	1	36
Braylon Harmon	1	6	6.0	0	6
Total	24	363	15.1	1	36
Opponents	15	118	7.9	0	30

#### Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Will Brooks	3	152	50.7	1	85
Jermod McCoy	2	71	35.5	0	54
Andre Turrentine	1	0	0.0	0	0
Arion Carter	1	15	15.0	0	15
Boo Carter	1	9	9.0	0	9
Total	8	247	30.9	1	85
Opponents	6	257	42.8	1	87

#### **Kick Returns**

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Cameron Seldon	3	77	25.7	0	35
Peyton Lewis	3	65	21.7	0	31
William Wright	1	26	26.0	0	26
Squirrel White	1	0	0.0	0	0
Mike Matthews	1	32	32.0	0	32
Total	9	200	22.2	0	35
Opponents	5	65	13.0	0	23

#### **Fumbles Recovered**

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Jeremiah Telander	3	0	0.0	0	0
Joshua Josephs	2	0	0.0	0	0
Dominic Bailey	1	0	0.0	0	0
Jakobe Thomas	1	0	0.0	0	0
James Pearce Jr.	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	8	0	0.0	0	0
Opponents	7	1	0.1	0	1

Punting									
Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Jackson Ross	39	1726	44.3	57	2	12	16	7	0
Total	39	1726	44.3	57	2	12	16	7	0
Opponents	60	2682	44.7	66	4	14	13	20	1

	Punt Returns					
ts	Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
6	Boo Carter	9	137	15.2	0	35
1	Squirrel White	7	112	16.0	0	31
4	Jermod McCoy	6	59	9.8	0	23
4	Jordan Ross	1	49	49.0	1	36
8	Braylon Harmon	1	6	6.0	0	6
2	Total	24	363	15.1	1	36
6	Opponents	15	118	7.9	0	30

Player	n	o. yds	avg	td	lg
Cameron Seldon	3	77	25.7	0	35
Peyton Lewis	3	65	21.7	0	31
William Wright	1	26	26.0	0	26
Squirrel White	1	0	0.0	0	0
Mike Matthews	1	32	32.0	0	32
Total	9	200	22.2	0	35
Opponents	5	65	13.0	0	23

All Purpose								
Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Dylan Sampson	10	1230	110	0	0	0	1340	134.0
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	10	0	505	0	0	0	505	50.5
Squirrel White	10	-7	349	112	0	0	454	45.4
Bru McCoy	10	15	395	0	0	0	410	41.0
DeSean Bishop	8	372	10	0	0	0	382	47.8
Peyton Lewis	10	216	7	0	65	0	288	28.8
Chris Brazzell II	10	0	271	0	0	0	271	27.1
Nico Iamaleava	10	233	0	0	0	0	233	23.3
Miles Kitselman	10	1	229	0	0	0	230	23.0
Will Brooks	10	0	0	0	0	152	152	15.2
Cameron Seldon	5	74	-2	0	77	0	149	29.8
Boo Carter	10	0	0	137	0	9	146	14.6
Jermod McCoy	10	0	0	59	0	71	130	13.0
Chas Nimrod	10	0	115	0	0	0	115	11.5
Holden Staes	10	0	101	0	0	0	101	10.1
Ethan Davis	9	0	75	0	0	0	75	8.3
Khalifa Keith	3	61	8	0	0	0	69	23.0
Mike Matthews	8	0	35	0	32	0	67	8.4
Jordan Ross	9	0	0	49	0	0	49	5.4
Kaleb Webb	5	0	44	0	0	0	44	8.8
Hunter Barnes	3	38	0	0	0	0	38	12.7
William Wright	7	0	0	0	26	0	26	3.7
Jake Merklinger	2	22	0	0	0	0	22	11.0
Gaston Moore	5	18	0	0	0	0	18	3.6
Trey Weary	2	0	18	0	0	0	18	9.0
Arion Carter	10	0	0	0	0	15	15	1.5
Nathan Leacock	5	0	13	0	0	0	13	2.6
Patrick Wilk	2	12	0	0	0	0	12	6.0
Dayton Sneed	3	0	12	0	0	0	12	4.0
Navy Shuler	1	6	0	0	0	0	6	6.0
Braylon Harmon	1	0	0	6	0	0	6	6.0
Total	10	2262	2295	363	200	247	5367	536.7
Opponents	10	1006	1891	118	65	257	3337	333.7

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Nico Iamaleava	10	330	233	2046	2279	227.9
Dylan Sampson	10	220	1230	0	1230	123.0
DeSean Bishop	8	54	372	0	372	46.5
Gaston Moore	5	28	18	201	219	43.8
Peyton Lewis	10	45	216	0	216	21.6
Cameron Seldon	5	14	74	0	74	14.8
Jake Merklinger	2	16	22	48	70	35.0
Khalifa Keith	3	17	61	0	61	20.3
Hunter Barnes	3	7	38	0	38	12.7
Bru McCoy	10	2	15	0	15	1.5
Patrick Wilk	2	3	12	0	12	6.0
Navy Shuler	1	1	6	0	6	6.0
Miles Kitselman	10	1	1	0	1	0.1
Squirrel White	10	1	-7	0	-7	-0.7
Total	10	747	2262	2295	4557	455.7
Opponents	10	649	1006	1891	2897	289.7

## **INDIVIDUAL DEFENSIVE STATISTICS**

				Ta	ckles		Sacks	Pass defense		Fumbl	Fumbles		i	
##	Player	gp	ua	а	tot	tfl/yds	no-yds	int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick	saf
7	Arion Carter	10	21	33	54	6-9		1-15	4	3				
35	Will Brooks	10	29	19	48	2.5-3		3-152	5	1		1		
3	Jermod McCoy	10	18	15	33	0.5-0		2-71	7					
22	Jeremiah Telander	10	12	20	32	2.5-3	0.5-1		1		3-0			
2	Andre Turrentine	10	16	14	30	0.5-1		1-0	3					$\Box$
19	Joshua Josephs	10	14	16	30	6-19	1-7		2	7	2-0	3		
27	James Pearce Jr.	10	17	13	30	8.5-44	5.5-38		1	9	1-0	1		
11	Keenan Pili	6	11	18	29	1.5-4				3				
39	Jalen Smith	10	9	19	28									╗
23	Boo Carter	10	21	7	28	2.5-12	1-10	1-9		3				
1	Rickey Gibson III	9	17	7	24	1-3			3					
90	Dominic Bailey	10	9	14	23	2.5-16	2-15			3	1-0	1		
20	Bryson Eason	10	14	7	21	5.5-25	1-9		1	4				╗
14	Christian Charles	8	13	8	21	2-3								
9	Jakobe Thomas	10	12	8	20	3-12	1-5		2		1-0			╗
21	Omari Thomas	10	9	9	18	4-13	1-7		4	3				
55	Omarr Norman-Lott	10	7	9	16	3.5-29	3.5-29			3				
51	Jaxson Moi	10	6	9	15	3.5-13	1-7					1		
8	Kalib Perry	9	6	9	15	1-7				1		1		
53	Daevin Hobbs	10	5	10	15	1-1	0.5-0			3				
5	Christian Harrison	9	8	6	14	2.5-6	0.5-1		1	2				
42	Tyre West	9	7	6	13	4-18	2-12			1		1		
6	Jalen McMurray	10	10	1	11				3					
15	Edrees Farooq	10	6	5	11	1-1								
10	Elijah Simmons	10	4	5	9	1.5-7								
97	Jayson Jenkins	10	2	3	5	3-15	1.5-11					1		1
12	John Slaughter	7	3	2	5	0.5-1								
31	Caleb Herring	9	1	3	4					1				
56	Kellen Lindstrom	2	2	2	4									
95	Carson Gentle	2	1	3	4									
47	Matthew Salansky	10	2	1	3									
52	Eli Purcell	10		3	3									
24	Jordan Matthews	10	2	1	3				2					
13	Edwin Spillman	2	1	2	3									
25	Kaleb Beasley	10	2	1	3				1					
29	Jordan Ross	9	1	2	3	1.5-4							1	
30	Jamal Wallace	2		3	3									
94	Nathan Robinson	10		2	2	0.5-0								
50	Ryan Scott	3	1	1	2	1-1								
70	Andrej Karic	10	1		1									
13	Gaston Moore	5	1		1									
8	Nico Iamaleava	10	1		1		·		•	•				Ħ
85	Nathan Leacock	5	1		1	•							-	
27	Peyton Lewis	10		1	1	•				•			•	
28	Marcus Goree Jr.	2	1	-	1									
40	Colin Brazzell	2	1		1	•					•			
43	Jackson Mathews	2	1		1				•					•
57	Grier Short	2		1	1	•		•	•					
89	Mike Bethea II	2	1		1			•	•	•	•		•	
	Totals	10	327	318	645	73-270	22-152	8-247	40	47	8-0	10	1	2
	Opponents	10	389	396	785	49-161	23-108	6-257	23	18	7-1	7	0	0
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## **TENNESSEE GAME-BY-GAME**

			Rushii	ng		Receiving			Pas	ssing			Kic	k Re	tur	ns	Punt Returns				tot	
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	off
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	46	304	5	56	33	414	3	59	33-44-1	414	3	59	1	35	0	35	3	69	1	36	718
09/07/2024	vs NC State	44	249	3	34	16	211	2	45	16-23-2	211	2	45	0	0	0	0	3	58	0	31	460
09/14/2024	Kent St.	55	456	6	53	16	284	3	53	16-25-0	284	3	53	1	32	0	32	5	106	0	35	740
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	52	151	1	17	13	194	1	66	13-21-0	194	1	66	1	0	0	0	2	12	0	8	345
10/05/2024	at Arkansas	36	174	2	53	17	158	0	42	17-29-0	158	0	42	1	24	0	24	0	0	0	0	332
10/12/2024	Florida	43	143	3	23	16	169	0	24	16-26-1	169	0	24	0	0	0	0	2	34	0	17	312
10/19/2024	Alabama	43	214	2	36	14	194	1	55	14-28-2	194	1	55	1	18	0	18	0	0	0	0	408
11/02/2024	Kentucky	44	185	3	17	28	292	1	31	28-38-0	292	1	31	1	21	0	21	2	2	0	1	477
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	57	240	1	33	13	212	2	73	13-21-0	212	2	73	2	57	0	31	6	56	0	28	452
11/16/2024	at Georgia	39	146	2	27	20	167	0	17	20-33-0	167	0	17	1	13	0	13	1	26	0	26	313
Tennessee		459	2262	28	56	186	2295	13	73	186-288-6	2295	13	73	9	200	0	35	24	363	1	36	4557
Opponents		353	1006	8	50	170	1891	8	46	170-296-8	1891	8	46	5	65	0	23	15	118	0	30	2897

### **Tennessee Averages**

Games	Avg/ rush	Avg/ catch	Pass effic	KR avg	PR avg	All purpose avg/game	Total offense avg/game
10	4.9	12.3	142.3	22.2	15.1	536.7	455.7

	Tackles			Sacks	Fu	mble	Pass	Defe	ıse	blkd	PAT a	ttemp	ots		off			
Date	Opponent	ua	a	total	tfl-yds	no-yds	ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	33	26	59	5.0-18	1-8	1	1-0	0-0	5	7	1	9-9	0	0	0	7	69
09/07/2024	vs NC State	25	32	57	13.0-40	3-13	1	2-0	1-85	4	3	0	6-6	0	0	0	7	51
09/14/2024	Kent St.	20	34	54	2.0-3	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	4	5	0	9-9	0	0	1	0	71
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	43	14	57	11.0-45	3-27	2	2-0	1-17	4	4	0	2-2	0	0	1	10	25
10/05/2024	at Arkansas	33	54	87	7.0-19	2-9	1	0-0	0-0	3	2	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	14
10/12/2024	Florida	32	52	84	12.0-46	3-25	2	1-0	1-15	3	4	0	2-2	0	0	0	3	23
10/19/2024	Alabama	41	30	71	9.0-37	3-19	0	0-0	2-54	12	1	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	24
11/02/2024	Kentucky	33	30	63	3.0-23	3-23	1	1-0	2-67	7	4	0	4-4	0	0	0	7	28
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	25	36	61	9.0-36	4-28	1	1-0	1-9	5	4	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	33
11/16/2024	at Georgia	42	10	52	2.0-3	0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	6	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	17
Tennessee		327	318	645	73.0-270	22-152	10	8-0	8-247	47	40	1	42-42	0	0	2	34	355
Opponents		389	396	785	49.0-161	23-108	7	7-1	6-257	18	23	0	13-14	0	1	0	10	144

				Punt	ting					Field	d Goa	als		Kic	koffs		
Date Opponent	no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
08/31/2024 Chattanooga	1	23	23.0	23	0	0	0	0	0	2-2	42	0	12	780	65.0	12	0
09/07/2024 vs NC State	1	43	43.0	43	0	0	1	0	1	3-4	45	0	9	579	64.3	8	0
09/14/2024 Kent St.	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2-2	36	0	11	678	61.6	8	1
09/21/2024 at Oklahoma	8	387	48.4	57	0	1	1	3	2	3-3	41	0	6	390	65.0	6	0
10/05/2024 at Arkansas	7	299	42.7	51	0	1	1	2	2	0-0	0	0	3	195	65.0	3	0
10/12/2024 Florida	7	319	45.6	53	0	0	4	1	3	1-1	35	0	4	260	65.0	4	0
10/19/2024 Alabama	4	187	46.8	49	0	0	0	0	2	1-3	41	0	5	325	65.0	5	0
11/02/2024 Kentucky	3	119	39.7	45	0	0	1	0	1	0-3	0	0	5	325	65.0	3	0
11/09/2024 Mississippi S	t. 3	139	46.3	49	0	0	1	0	0	4-4	51	0	7	450	64.3	6	1
11/16/2024 at Georgia	5	210	42.0	53	0	0	3	1	5	1-1	52	0	4	253	63.3	3	0
Tennessee	39	1726	44.3	57	0	2	12	7	16	17-23	52	0	66	4235	64.2	58	2
Opponents	60	2682	44.7	66	1	4	14	20	13	9-15	43	0	37	2356	63.7	24	0



## **OPPONENT GAME-BY-GAME**

Rushing			ı	Receiv	ing		Pas	ssing			Kic	k Re	tur	ns	Pu	nt Re	tur	'ns	tot			
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	off
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	35	74	0	10	13	153	0	22	13-24-0	153	0	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	227
09/07/2024	vs NC State	28	39	0	15	15	104	0	28	15-22-1	104	0	28	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	143
09/14/2024	Kent St.	32	54	0	30	9	58	0	9	9-16-0	58	0	9	1	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	112
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	34	36	1	17	18	186	1	46	18-34-1	186	1	46	0	0	0	0	5	30	0	17	222
10/05/2024	at Arkansas	44	137	2	24	21	297	0	30	21-30-0	297	0	30	0	0	0	0	2	13	0	8	434
10/12/2024	Florida	40	138	0	23	20	223	2	27	20-32-1	223	2	27	0	0	0	0	2	57	0	30	361
10/19/2024	Alabama	34	75	1	11	25	239	1	28	25-45-2	239	1	28	0	0	0	0	3	15	0	11	314
11/02/2024	Kentucky	37	168	0	50	14	192	2	32	14-27-2	192	2	32	2	39	0	23	0	0	0	0	360
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	38	179	2	43	10	92	0	23	10-26-1	92	0	23	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	2	271
11/16/2024	at Georgia	31	106	2	16	25	347	2	38	25-40-0	347	2	38	1	16	0	16	1	2	0	2	453
Opponents		353	1006	8	50	170	1891	8	46	170-296-8	1891	8	46	5	65	0	23	15	118	0	30	2897
Tennessee		459	2262	28	56	186	2295	13	73	186-288-6	2295	13	73	9	200	0	35	24	363	1	36	4557

## **Opponents Averages**

Games	nes Avg/ rush Avg/ o		Pass effic	KR avg	PR avg	All purpose avg/game	Total offense avg/game
10	2.8	11.1	114.6	13.0	7.9	333.7	289.7

			T	ackle	S	Sacks	Fu	mble	Pass I	Defe	nse	blkd	PAT at	temp	ots		off	
Date	Opponent	ua	а	total	tfl-yds	no-yds	ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	44	48	92	4.0-9	2-6	0	0-0	1-71	1	2	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3
09/07/2024	vs NC State	30	50	80	5.0-10	0-0	0	0-0	2-116	5	1	0	1-1	0	0	0	10	10
09/14/2024	Kent St.	35	56	91	2.0-8	1-6	0	0-0	0-0	3	2	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	42	38	80	9.0-32	3-14	2	2-1	0-0	1	2	0	0-1	0	0	0	0	15
10/05/2024	at Arkansas	29	38	67	4.0-19	4-19	0	0-0	0-0	3	3	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	19
10/12/2024	Florida	35	32	67	8.0-28	3-19	1	1-0	1-20	1	2	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	17
10/19/2024	Alabama	32	36	68	4.0-18	3-17	1	1-0	2-50	2	3	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	17
11/02/2024	Kentucky	49	34	83	4.0-10	2-8	1	1-0	0-0	2	4	0	1-1	0	1	0	0	18
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	42	58	100	3.0-6	0-0	1	1-0	0-0	0	1	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	14
11/16/2024	at Georgia	51	6	57	6.0-21	5-19	1	1-0	0-0	0	3	0	4-4	0	0	0	0	31
Opponents		389	396	785	49.0-161	23-108	7	7-1	6-257	18	23	0	13-14	0	1	0	10	144
Tennessee		327	318	645	73.0-270	22-152	10	8-0	8-247	47	40	1	42-42	0	0	2	34	355

					Punt	ting					Field	l Goa	ıls		Kic	koffs		
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	9	314	34.9	52	1	0	2	2	0	1-3	43	0	2	99	49.5	0	0
09/07/2024	vs NC State	6	276	46.0	58	0	0	2	3	1	1-1	24	0	3	195	65.0	3	0
09/14/2024	Kent St.	8	334	41.8	49	0	1	0	0	1	0-1	0	0	2	125	62.5	1	0
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	7	357	51.0	63	0	1	2	4	3	1-1	37	0	4	262	65.5	1	0
10/05/2024	at Arkansas	3	172	57.3	66	0	1	0	2	0	2-3	23	0	5	324	64.8	4	0
10/12/2024	Florida	5	224	44.8	59	0	0	3	2	2	1-2	42	0	4	260	65.0	4	0
10/19/2024	Alabama	7	327	46.7	59	0	1	3	2	2	1-2	35	0	4	254	63.5	2	0
11/02/2024	Kentucky	4	200	50.0	61	0	0	1	2	2	1-1	32	0	4	257	64.3	3	0
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	7	301	43.0	50	0	0	0	1	0	0-0	0	0	3	191	63.7	1	0
11/16/2024	at Georgia	4	177	44.3	53	0	0	1	2	2	1-1	36	0	6	389	64.8	5	0
Opponents	Opponents		2682	44.7	66	1	4	14	20	13	9-15	43	0	37	2356	63.7	24	0
Tennessee	<b>Tennessee</b>		1726	44.3	57	0	2	12	7	16	17-23	52	0	66	4235	64.2	58	2



## **TEAM GAME-BY-GAME COMPARISON**

	:		First D	owns		Rushing	Passing		Total Offense	Return	Turn-
Opponent	Score	Total	Rush	Pass	Pen	Number-Yards	Comp-AttInt	Yards	Plays-Yards	Yards	Overs
Chattanooga	69-3	36 / 10	14 / 2	21/8	1/0	46-304 / 35-74	33-44-1 / 13-24-0	414 / 153	90-718 / 59-227	104 / 71	1/1
NC State	51-10	22 / 10	11/2	11/6	0/2	44-249 / 28-39	16-23-2 / 15-22-1	211 / 104	67-460 / 50-143	143 / 118	2/3
Kent St.	71-0	32 / 8	20 / 5	12 / 2	0/1	55-456 / 32-54	16-25-0 / 9-16-0	284 / 58	80-740 / 48-112	138 / 8	0/0
Oklahoma	25-15	14 / 16	8 / 4	5/8	1/4	52-151 / 34-36	13-21-0 / 18-34-1	194 / 186	73-345 / 68-222	29 / 31	2/3
Arkansas	14-19	16 / 23	6/8	8 / 14	2/1	36-174 / 44-137	17-29-0 / 21-30-0	158 / 297	65-332 / 74-434	24 / 13	0/0
Florida	23-17	18 / 22	9 / 10	9/11	0/1	43-143 / 40-138	16-26-1 / 20-32-1	169 / 223	69-312 / 72-361	49 / 77	2/2
Alabama	24-17	21 / 23	7/8	8 / 12	6/3	43-214 / 34-75	14-28-2 / 25-45-2	194 / 239	71-408 / 79-314	72 / 65	3/2
Kentucky	28-18	29 / 19	13/9	15 / 6	1/4	44-185 / 37-168	28-38-0 / 14-27-2	292 / 192	82-477 / 64-360	90 / 39	1/3
Mississippi St.	33-14	25 / 15	13/9	8 / 5	4/1	57-240 / 38-179	13-21-0 / 10-26-1	212 / 92	78-452 / 64-271	122 / 1	1/2
Georgia	17-31	20 / 25	11/8	8 / 15	1/2	39-146 / 31-106	20-33-0 / 25-40-0	167 / 347	72-313 / 71-453	39 / 18	1/0
Totals	355-144	233 / 171	112 / 65	105 / 87	16 / 19	459-2262 / 353-1006	186-288-6 / 170-296-8	2295 / 1891	747-4557 / 649-2897	810 / 441	13 / 16

	3rd Down	4th Down	Time of	TOP	Avg	Avg	Avg	Punting	Penalties	
Opponents	Conversion	Conversion	Possession	Margin	Yds/Rush	Yds/Pass	Yds/Play	Number-Avg	Number-Yards	Sacks
Chattanooga	9-15 / 1-14	1-1 / 0-0	29:10 / 30:46	-01:36	6.6 / 2.1	9.4 / 6.4	8.0 / 3.8	1-23.0 / 9-34.9	6-52.0 / 9-65.0	1/2
NC State	7-14 / 3-12	1-1 / 0-2	31:28 / 28:32	02:56	5.7 / 1.4	9.2 / 4.7	6.9 / 2.9	1-43.0 / 6-46.0	7-70.0 / 6-52.0	3/0
Kent St.	9-15 / 2-12	3-4 / 0-0	31:45 / 28:15	03:30	8.3 / 1.7	11.4 / 3.6	9.3 / 2.3	0-0.0 / 8-41.8	5-54.0 / 2-7.0	0/1
Oklahoma	6-19 / 3-15	0-0 / 1-3	35:41 / 24:28	11:13	2.9 / 1.1	9.2 / 5.5	4.7 / 3.3	8-48.4 / 7-51.0	10-82.0 / 3-32.0	3/3
Arkansas	7-16 / 6-15	0-2 / 1-3	24:31 / 35:28	-10:57	4.8 / 3.1	5.4 / 9.9	5.1 / 5.9	7-42.7 / 3-57.3	10-60.0 / 6-45.0	2/4
Florida	4-15 / 5-15	2-2 / 0-2	25:04 / 34:56	-09:52	3.3 / 3.5	6.5 / 7.0	4.5 / 5.0	7-45.6 / 5-44.8	6-47.0 / 6-36.0	3/3
Alabama	6-14 / 3-14	0-0 / 1-2	26:32 / 33:15	-06:43	5.0 / 2.2	6.9 / 5.3	5.7 / 4.0	4-46.8 / 7-46.7	11-95.0 / 15-115.0	3/3
Kentucky	7-14 / 4-14	1-1 / 0-2	29:28 / 30:32	-01:04	4.2 / 4.5	7.7 / 7.1	5.8 / 5.6	3-39.7 / 4-50.0	9-77.0 / 10-71.0	3/2
Mississippi St.	5-14 / 3-13	1-2 / 2-3	34:18 / 25:42	08:36	4.2 / 4.7	10.1 / 3.5	5.8 / 4.2	3-46.3 / 7-43.0	6-50.0 / 9-85.0	4/0
Georgia	10-18 / 8-14	1-2 / 0-0	29:31 / 30:29	-00:58	3.7 / 3.4	5.1 / 8.7	4.3 / 6.4	5-42.0 / 4-44.3	9-70.0 / 7-59.0	0/5
Totals	70-154 / 38-138	10-15 / 5-17	297:28 / 302:23	-04:55	4.9 / 2.8	8.0 / 6.4	6.1 / 4.5	39-44.3 / 60-44.7	79-657.0 / 73-567.0	22 / 23

## **TURNOVERS**

### TENNESSEE GIVEAWAY/TAKEAWAY

	G	ivea	way	T	akea	way	
Game	Fum	Int	Tot	Fum	Int	Tot	Dif.
Chattanooga	0	1	1	1	0	1	
vs. NC State	0	2	2	2	1	3	+1
Kent State	0	0	0	0	0	0	
at Oklahoma	2	0	2	2	1	3	+1
at Arkansas	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Florida	1	1	2	1	1	2	
Alabama	1	2	3	0	2	2	-1
Kentucky	1	0	1	1	2	3	+2
Mississippi State	1	0	1	1	1	2	+1
at Georgia	1	0	1	0	0	0	-1
TOTAL	7	6	13	8	8	16	+3

#### **INTERCEPTIONS**

Name	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Chattanooga	0	0	0.0	0	
vs. NC State	1	85	85.0	1	85
Kent State	0	0	0.0	0	
at Oklahoma	1	17	17.0	0	17
at Arkansas	0	0	0.0	0	
Florida	1	15	15.0	0	15
Alabama	2	54	27.0	0	54
Kentucky	2	67	33.5	0	67
Mississippi State	1	9	9.0	0	9
TOTAL	8	247	30.9	1	85

#### **FUMBLES**

Name	NoLost
Nico Iamaleava	6-4
Boo Carter	1-0
Jermod McCoy	1-0
Gaston Moore	1-0
Dylan Sampson	3-3
TOTAL	12-7

## **OPENING DRIVES**

#### **OPENING OFFENSIVE SERIES**

Game	1st Half	2nd Half
Chattanooga	TOUCHDOWN	TOUCHDOWN
vs. NC State	Punt	TOUCHDOWN
Kent State	TOUCHDOWN	FIELD GOAL
at Oklahoma	Punt	Punt
at Arkansas	Punt	TOUCHDOWN
Florida	Fumble	Punt
Alabama	Fumble	Punt
Kentucky	Missed FG	Missed FG
Mississippi State	TOUCHDOWN	Punt
at Georgia	TOUCHDOWN	Punt

#### **OPENING DEFENSIVE SERIES**

Game	1st Half	2nd Half
Chattanooga	Fumble	Punt
vs. NC State	Punt	Fumble
Kent State	Punt	Punt
at Oklahoma	Downs	Punt
at Arkansas	FIELD GOAL	Punt
Florida	Punt	Punt
Alabama	Punt	Punt
Kentucky	Downs	Fumble
Mississippi State	Punt	Fumble
at Georgia	Punt	TOUCHDOWN

## **UNIFORMS**

#### **TENNESSEE UNIFORM COMBOS**

Game	Helmet	Jersey	Pants
Chattanooga	Smokey Grey	Smokey Grey	Smokey Grey
vs. NC State	White	White	White
Kent State	White	Orange	Orange
at Oklahoma	White	White	White
at Arkansas	White	White	Orange
Florida	White	Orange	White
Alabama	White	Orange	White
Kentucky	Black	Black	Black
Mississippi State	White	Orange	White
at Georgia	White	White	White

## **PREGAME**

#### **COIN FLIPS**

Game	Flip Outcome
Chattanooga	UTC Won & Deferred to 2nd Half
vs. NC State	UT Won & Deferred to 2nd Half
Kent State	UT Won & Deferred to 2nd Half
at Oklahoma	UT Won & Deferred to 2nd Half
at Arkansas	UT Won & Deferred to 2nd Half
Florida	UF Won & Deferred to 2nd Half
Alabama	UA Won & Elected to Receive
Kentucky	UT Won & Deferred to 2nd Half
Mississippi State	MSU Won & Elected to Receive
at Georgia	UT Won & Deferred to 2nd Half

#### **TENNESSEE CAPTAINS**

Game	Name(s)
Chattanooga	Bru McCoy, Keenan Pili,
	Matthew Salansky, Omari Thomas
vs. NC State	Cooper Mays, Keenan Pili,
	Matthew Salansky, Elijah Simmons
Kent State	Arion Carter, Dayne Davis,
	Matthew Salansky, Jeremiah Telander
at Oklahoma	Cooper Mays, Keenan Pili,
	Matthew Salansky, Dylan Sampson,
	Omari Thomas
at Arkansas	Omarr Norman-Lott,
	Matthew Salansky, Elijah Simmons,
	Omari Thomas
Florida	Cooper Mays, Keenan Pili,
	Matthew Salansky, Omari Thomas
Alabama	Cooper Mays, Bru McCoy, Keenan Pili,
	Matthew Salansky, Omari Thomas
Kentucky	Dayne Davis, Bryson Eason,
	Miles Kitselman, Matthew Salansky,
	Jourdan Thomas
Mississippi State	Will Brooks, Cooper Mays,
	Matthew Salanksy, Dylan Sampson,
	Omari Thomas
at Georgia	Bryson Eason, Cooper Mays,
	Bru McCoy, Matthew Salansky,
	Omari Thomas

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# **STARTING LINEUPS**

Offense	TE	LT	LG	С	RG	RT	WR	WR	QB	TB	RB/FB/TE	WR
Chattanooga	M. Kitselman	L. Heard	A. Karic	C. Mays	J. Spraggins	J. Campbell	B. McCoy	S. White	N. lamaleava	D. Sampson		C. Brazzell
vs. NC State	M. Kitselman	L. Heard	A. Karic	C. Mays	J. Spraggins	J. Campbell	B. McCoy		N. lamaleava	D. Sampson	H. Staes	C. Brazzell
Kent State	M. Kitselman	D. Davis	A. Karic	C. Mays	J. Spraggins	J. Campbell	B. McCoy	S. White	N. lamaleava	D. Sampson		C. Nimrod
at Oklahoma	M. Kitselman	D. Davis	A. Karic	C. Mays	J. Spraggins	J. Campbell	B. McCoy	S. White	N. lamaleava	D. Sampson		C. Brazzell
at Arkansas	M. Kitselman	L. Heard	A. Karic	C. Mays	J. Spraggins	J. Campbell	B. McCoy	S. White	N. Iamaleava	D. Sampson		D. Thornton
Florida	M. Kitselman	L. Heard	A. Karic	C. Mays	J. Spraggins	J. Campbell	B. McCoy	S. White	N. lamaleava	D. Sampson		C. Brazzell
Alabama	M. Kitselman	L. Heard	A. Karic	C. Mays	J. Spraggins	J. Campbell	B. McCoy	S. White	N. lamaleava	D. Sampson		C. Brazzell
Kentucky	M. Kitselman	L. Heard	A. Karic	C. Mays	J. Spraggins	J. Campbell	B. McCoy		N. Iamaleava	D. Sampson	H. Staes	C. Brazzell
Mississippi State	e M. Kitselman	L. Heard	A. Karic	C. Mays	J. Spraggins	J. Campbell	B. McCoy		N. lamaleava	D. Sampson	H. Staes	C. Brazzell
at Georgia	M. Kitselman	L. Heard	A. Karic	C. Mays	J. Spraggins	J. Campbell	B. McCoy	S. White	N. lamaleava	D. Sampson		C. Brazzell
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Defense	LEO	DT	DT	DE	MLB	WLB	SLB	STAR	СВ	S	S	СВ
Chattanooga	J. Pearce	O. Thomas	B. Eason	D. Bailey	K. Pili	A. Carter		C. Harrison	J. McCoy	W. Brooks	A. Turrentine	J. McMurray
vs. NC State	J. Josephs	O. Thomas	B. Eason	D. Bailey	K. Pili	A. Carter	J. Pearce		J. McCoy	W. Brooks	A. Turrentine	R. Gibson
Kent State	J. Pearce	O. Thomas	B. Eason	D. Bailey	K. Pili	A. Carter		C. Harrison	J. McCoy	W. Brooks	A. Turrentine	R. Gibson
at Oklahoma	J. Pearce	E. Simmons	B. Eason	D. Bailey	K. Pili	A. Carter		C. Harrison	J. McCoy	W. Brooks	A. Turrentine	R. Gibson
at Arkansas	J. Pearce	E. Simmons	B. Eason	D. Bailey	K. Pili	A. Carter		C. Harrison	J. McCoy	W. Brooks	A. Turrentine	R. Gibson
Florida	J. Josephs	O. Thomas	B. Eason	T. West	J. Teleander	A. Carter	K. Perry		J. McCoy	W. Brooks	A. Turrentine	R. Gibson
Alabama	J. Josephs	O. Thomas	B. Eason	T. West	J. Teleander	A. Carter	K. Perry		J. McCoy	W. Brooks	A. Turrentine	R. Gibson
Kentucky	J. Josephs	O. Thomas	B. Eason	T. West	J. Teleander	A. Carter		B. Carter	J. McCoy	W. Brooks	A. Turrentine	R. Gibson
Mississippi Stat	e J. Josephs	O. Thomas	B. Eason	D. Bailey	J. Teleander	A. Carter		B. Carter	J. McCoy	W. Brooks	A. Turrentine	R. Gibson
at Georgia	J. Pearce	O. Thomas	B. Eason	D. Bailey	J. Teleander	A. Carter		B. Carter	J. McCoy	W. Brooks	A. Turrentine	R. Gibson

# **STARTING EXPERIENCE**

OFFENSE	<b>'19</b>	'20	<b>'21</b>	'22	'23	<b>'24</b>	Tot	Strk
Chris Brazzell II, WR					8*	8	16	5
John Campbell Jr., OL	2*	4*		12*	9	10	37	10
Dayne Davis, OL			3		3	2	8	
Lance Heard, OL					1*	8	9	6
Nico Iamaleava, QB					1	10	11	11_
Andrej Karic, OL		1*	1*	3*	4	10	19	10
Miles Kitselman, TE						10	10	10
Jackson Lampley, OL					2		2	
Cooper Mays, OL		2	8	13	9	10	42	19
Bru McCoy, WR		3*		12	5	10	30	10
Chas Nimrod, WR					5	1	6	
Dylan Sampson, RB					1	10	11	11_
Javontez Spraggins, OL		1	12	13	11	10	47	10
Holden Staes, TE				1*	8*	3	12	
Dont'e Thornton Jr., WR			2*	3*	3	1	9	
Squirrel White, WR				2	13	7	22	1

<sup>\*</sup> Starts were recorded while playing for another school

DEFENSE	<b>'19</b>	'20	<b>'21</b>	'22	<b>'23</b>	'24	Tot	Strk
Dominic Bailey, DL					2	7	9	2
Will Brooks, DB					1	10	11	10
Arion Carter, LB						10	10	10
Boo Carter, DB						3	3	3
Christian Charles, DB			1	6			7	
Bryson Eason, DL				1	7	10	18	10
Rickey Gibson III, DB					1	9	10	9
Christian Harrison, DB						4	4	
Joshua Josephs, DL						5	5	
Jermod McCoy, DB					5*	10	15	13
Jalen McMurray, DB				12*	11*	1	24	
Jaxson Moi, DL				1*	7*		8	
Omarr Norman-Lott, DL			1*	2*	2		5	
James Pearce Jr., DL					3	6	9	1
Kalib Perry, LB					1	2	3	
Keenan Pili, LB	1*	8*	3*	12*	1	5	30	
Elijah Simmons, DL		2	4			2	8	
Jeremiah Telander, LB						5	5	5
Jakobe Thomas, DB				3*	10*		13	
Jourdan Thomas, DB					1		1	
Omari Thomas, DL			6	13	11	8	38	5
Andre Turrentine, DB					3	10	13	13
Tyre West, DL						3	3	

<sup>\*</sup> Starts were recorded while playing for another school



# **EXPLOSIVE PLAYS (20+ YARDS)**

### **20-YARD PLUS PLAYS**

BY TENNESSEE (66)

	NSE (		_
Yards	- 71	Player(s)	Opp.
73*	Pass	lamaleava to Thornton Jr.	MSU
66*	Pass	lamaleava to Thornton Jr.	OU
59	Pass	lamaleava to Thornton Jr.	UTC
56	Rush	Dylan Sampson	UTC
55	Pass	lamaleava to Thornton Jr.	UA
53	Rush	Dylan Sampson	ARK
53*	Rush	DeSean Bishop	KSU
53*	Pass	lamaleava to Brazzell II	KSU
53	Pass	Moore to Thornton Jr.	KSU
47*	Rush	DeSean Bishop	KSU
45	Pass	lamaleava to White	NCST
42	Pass	lamaleava to Thornton Jr.	ARK
42	Pass	lamaleava to McCoy	OU
38	Pass	lamaleava to McCoy	OU
37	Pass	lamaleava to McCov	UTC
36	Rush	Dylan Sampson	UA
36*	Pass	lamaleava to Thornton Jr.	UTC
35	Rush	Pevton Lewis	KSU
34*	Pass	lamaleava to White	MSU
34*	Rush	Dylan Sampson	NCST
33*	Rush	Dylan Sampson	MSL
31	Pass	lamaleava to Kitselman	Uk
31*	Rush		
		Nico lamaleava	NCST
27*	Rush	Dylan Sampson	UGA
27	Rush	Nico lamaleava	UA
27	Pass	lamaleava to Nimrod	KSL
24	Pass	lamaleava to White	UF
24	Rush	Jake Merklinger	KSL
24	Rush	Peyton Lewis	KSU
24	Pass	lamaleava to McCoy	UTC
24	Rush	DeSean Bishop	UTC
23	Pass	lamaleava to McCoy	UK
23	Pass	lamaleava to McCoy	UA
23*	Rush	Dylan Sampson	UF
23	Pass	Iamaleava to Brazzell II	UF
23	Pass	lamaleava to Brazzell II	UTC
22	Pass	lamaleava to Kitselman	Uk
22*	Rush	Dylan Sampson	KSU
22	Pass	lamaleava to White	NCST
22*	Rush	DeSean Bishop	UTC
21	Pass	lamaleava to White	MSU
21	Pass	lamaleava to Sampson	NCST
20	Pass	lamaleava to Staes	UK
20	Pass	lamaleava to McCoy	UA
20	Rush	Dylan Sampson	UA
20	Pass	lamaleava to Brazzell II	UF
20	Rush	Dylan Sampson	UF
<b>Z</b> U	down s	Dylan Sampson	UF

### DEFENSE (3)

Yards	Туре	Player(s)	Opp.
85*	INT	Will Brooks	NCST
67	INT	Will Brooks	UK
54	INT	Jermod McCoy	UA
* touch	down	cared on play	

SPE	CIAL TI	EAMS (16)	
Yard	s Type	Player(s)	Opp.
49*	PR	Jordan Ross	UTC
35 35	PR	Boo Carter	KSU
35	KR	Cameron Seldon	UTC
32	KR	Mike Matthews	KSU
31 31	KR	Peyton Lewis	MSU
31	PR	Squirrel White	NCST
28	PR	Boo Carter	MSU
26 26	PR	Boo Carter	UGA
26	KR	William Wright	MSU
24	KR	Cameron Seldon	ARK
23	PR	Boo Carter	MSU
24 23 23 22 21 20 20	PR	Jermod McCoy	KSU
22	PR	Squirrel White	KSU
21	KR	Peyton Lewis	UK
20	PR	Boo Carter	KSU
	PR	Squirrel White	UTC
* tou	chdown	scored on play	

# **20-YARD PLUS PLAYS** BY OPPONENT (41)

OFFE	NSE (	33)	
Yards	Type	Player(s)	Team
50	Rush	Jamarion Wilcox	UK
46	Pass	Hawkins Jr. to Pettaway	OU
43	Rush	Davon Booth	MSU
38	Pass	Beck to Lovett	UGA
32	Pass	Beck to Humphreys	UGA
32*	Pass	Wimsatt to Maclin	UK
30	Pass	Green to Armstrong	ARK
30	Rush	JD Sherrod	KSU
28	Pass	Beck to Humphreys	UGA
28	Pass	Milroe to Bernard	UA
28	Pass	McCall to Concepcion	NCST
27*	Pass	Vandagriff to Kattus	UK
27*	Pass	Lagway to Dike	UF
26	Pass	Wimsatt to Key	UK
26	Pass	Green to Jackson	ARK
26	Pass	Green to Armstrong	ARK
25	Pass	Beck to Delp	UGA
25	Pass	Vandagriff to Gilmore IV	UK
25	Pass	Mertz to Dike	UF
24	Rush	Braylen Russell	ARK
23	Pass	Beck to Luckie	UGA
23	Pass	Beck to Smith	UGA
23	Pass	Van Buren Jr. to Coleman Jr.	MSU
23	Rush	Montrell Johnson Jr.	UF
23	Pass	Green Sategna	ARK
22	Rush	Ja'Quinden Jackson	ARK
22	Pass	Green to Broden	ARK
22	Pass	Artopoeus to Whatley	UTC
21	Pass	Beck to Yurosek	UGA
21	Pass	Milroe to Bernard	UA
20	Pass	Milroe to Law	UA
20	Rush	Montrell Johnson Jr.	UF
20	Pass	Lagway to Boardingham	UF
* touch	idown so	cored on play	

### DEFENSE (5)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Team
87*	INT	Aydan White	NCST
71	INT	Kobe Joseph	UTC
41	INT	Malachi Moore	UA
29	INT	Bishop Fitzgerald	NCST
20	INT	Sharif Denson	UF
* touch	down so	cored on play	

SPEC			
Yards	Type	Player(s)	Team
30	PR	Chimere Dike	UF
27	PR	Chimere Dike	UF
23	KR	Barion Brown	UK
* touch	ndown s	cored on play	

### **UT LONG PLAYS BY THE NUMBERS**

Long Plays By Yards	No.	TD
100+	0	0
90-99	0	0
80-89	1	1
70-79	1	1
60-69	2	1
50-59	8	2
40-49	5	2
30-39	15	5
20-29	34	4

LKJ		
Long Plays By Type	No.	TD
Rushing	19	9
Passing	28	5
Punt returns	10	1
Kick returns	6	0
Interceptions	3	1
Fumble returns	0	0
Other	0	0
TOTAL	66	16

### **20-YARDS-PLUS BY PLAYER**

No. 11 8 7	5 1	10 0	<b>Rec</b> 1 5	KR 0	<b>PR</b> 0	IR O	FR O
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7	1	0		_			
	Λ		<u> </u>	0	3	0	0
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# 20-YARDS-PLUS BY GAME

Player	No.	TD	R	P	KR	PR	IR	FR
Chattanooga	11	3	3	5	1	2	0	0
vs. NC State	7	3	2	3	0	1	1	0
Kent State	14	4	6	3	1	4	0	0
at Oklahoma	3	1	0	3	0	0	0	0
at Arkansas	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
Florida	5	1	2	3	0	0	0	0
Alabama	7	0	3	3	0	0	1	0
Kentucky	6	0	0	4	1	0	1	0
Mississippi State	8	3	1	3	2	2	0	0
at Georgia	2	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
TOTAL	66	16	19	28	6	10	3	0

### **20-YARDS-PLUS OPPONENT BY GAME**

Player	No.	TD	R	P	KR	PR	IR	FR
Chattanooga	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
vs. NC State	3	1	0	1	0	0	2	0
Kent State	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
at Oklahoma	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
at Arkansas	7	0	2	5	0	0	0	0
Florida	8	1	2	3	0	2	1	0
Alabama	4	0	0	3	0	0	1	0
Kentucky	6	2	1	4	1	0	0	0
Mississippi State	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
at Georgia	7	0	0	7	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	41	4	7	26	1	2	5	0

### **TENNESSEE'S LONGEST PLAYS OF THE YEAR**

Rushing	56	Dylan Sampson vs. Chattanooga (8/31)
Rushing TD	53	DeSean Bishop vs. Kent State (9/14)
Passing	73	D. Thornton Jr. from N. lamaleava vs. Mississippi State (11/9)
Passing TD	73	D. Thornton Jr. from N. lamaleava vs. Mississippi State (11/9)
Punt Return	49	Jordan Ross vs. Chattanooga (8/31)
Kick Return	35	Cameron Seldon vs. Chattanooga (8/31)
INT Return	85	Will Brooks vs. NC State (9/7)
Fumble Return		
Field Goal	52	Max Gilbert at Georgia (11/16)
Punt	57	Jackson Ross at Oklahoma (9/21)

# **TENNESSEE MISCELLANEOUS INDIVIDUAL STATS**

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Player	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	Streak	Career	
Nico lamaleava				2	7		9	
Caston Moore					1		1	

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Player	'20	'21	'22	'23	<b>'24</b>	Streak	Career	
Nico lamaleava					3		3	
Gaston Moore					1		1	

Player	<b>'19</b>	'20	'21	'22	'23	<b>'24</b>	Streak	Career
Hunter Barnes				1				1
Dominic Bailey			1	7	8	10	11	26
Kaleb Beasley						2		2
Mike Bethea II						1		1
Ben Bolton				1	2			- 3
Colin Brazzell						1		1
Will Brooks				4	5	9	2	18
					7	10	10	17
Arion Carter					/			
Boo Carter						10	10	10
Christian Charles			3	9		8	7	20
<u>Dayne Davis</u>					1			1
Bryson Eason		2	2	12	12	9	7	37
Edrees Faroog						4		4
Carson Gentle						<u>2</u> 7		2
Rickey Gibson III					4	7	5	11
Marcus Goree Jr.						1		1
Christian Harrison				5	1	6		12
Caleb Herring					2	4		6
Daevin Hobbs					6	9	7	15
Nico lamaleava						1		1
Jayson Jenkins				1	4	4		9
Joshua Josephs				5	10	9	1	24
						1		2
Andrej Karic					1			
Nathan Leacock						11		1
Peyton Lewis						1		1
Kellen Lindstrom						1		1
Jackson Mathews						11		1
Jordan Matthews					1	2		3
Jermod McCoy					8*	9	7	17
Jalen McMurray			1*	12*	11*	8	2	32
Jaxson Moi				9*	9*	7	2	25
Gaston Moore						1		1
Omarr Norman-Lott		1*	10*	7*	9	9	7	36
James Pearce Jr.				4	11	8	7	23
Kalib Perry				6	10	7		23
Keenan Pili	9*	10*	3*	12*	1	6		41
Eli Purcell		- 10		- 12		2		2
Nathan Robinson						2		2
Jordan Ross								2
Matthew Salansky		2	1		2	3		8
						2		2
Ryan Scott								
Cameron Seldon					1			1
Grier Short						1		1
Elijah Simmons		6	4	5	9	6	1	30
John Slaughter					11	4	1	5
Jalen Smith					4	9	6	13
Edwin Spillman						2		2
Javontez Spraggins					1			1
Jeremiah Telander					9	9	6	18
Jakobe Thomas				9*	11*	9		29
Jourdan Thomas				6	8			14
Omari Thomas		7	11	11	11	8	7	48
Josh Turbyville					1	U		1
Andre Turrentine				5	6	9	7	20
					0			
Jamal Wallace						2		2
Tyre West				6	6	7	11	19
William Wright			1	6	2			9

# GAMES AS LEADING TACKLER (UT ONLY) Player '20 '21 '22 '23 '24 Streak Career

Player	20	41	~~	23	24	Streak	Career	
Will Brooks				1	3	1	4	
Boo Carter					1		1	_
Arion Carter					3		3	_
Christian Charles			1		1		2	_
Bryson Eason					1		1	_
Edrees Faroog					1		1	_
Joshua Josephs					1		1	_
Jermod McCoy					2		2	_
James Pearce Jr.					1		1	_
Kalib Perry			1				1	_
Keenan Pili					2		2	_
Jeremiah Telander				1			1	_
Omari Thomas					1		1	_
Andre Turrentine			1				1	_

### **DOUBLE-DIGIT TACKLE GAMES**

Player	'20	'21	'22	'23	<b>'24</b>	Streak	Career	
Will Brooks					1		1	
Arion Carter					1		1	
Keenan Pili		1*			1		2	
lakohe Thomas			1*	1*			2	

<sup>\*</sup>Stats recorded while playing for another school

<sup>\*\*</sup>Only stats recorded at the FBS level listed

# **TENNESSEE MISCELLANEOUS TEAM STATS**

# **3rd-Down Conversions**

Date	Opponent		Score	Over	all	1st (	Qtr	2nd	Qtr	3rd	Qtr	4th	Qtr	Over	time
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	W	69-3	9-15	60.0	1-3	33.3	4-6	66.7	0-1	0.0	4-5	80.0	0-0	0.0
09/07/2024	vs NC State	W	51-10	7-14	50.0	2-3	66.7	0-2	0.0	4-6	66.7	1-3	33.3	0-0	0.0
09/14/2024	Kent St.	W	71-0	9-15	60.0	3-4	75.0	4-5	80.0	1-3	33.3	1-3	33.3	0-0	0.0
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	W	25-15	6-19	31.6	0-3	0.0	3-7	42.9	2-5	40.0	1-4	25.0	0-0	0.0
10/05/2024	at Arkansas	L	14-19	7-16	43.8	0-1	0.0	2-5	40.0	3-4	75.0	2-6	33.3	0-0	0.0
10/12/2024	Florida	Wot1	23-17	4-15	26.7	2-4	50.0	0-3	0.0	1-4	25.0	1-4	25.0	0-0	0.0
10/19/2024	Alabama	W	24-17	6-14	42.9	1-3	33.3	0-2	0.0	2-3	66.7	3-6	50.0	0-0	0.0
11/02/2024	Kentucky	W	28-18	7-14	50.0	1-3	33.3	2-4	50.0	1-3	33.3	3-4	75.0	0-0	0.0
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	W	33-14	5-14	35.7	1-4	25.0	2-4	50.0	0-2	0.0	2-4	50.0	0-0	0.0
11/16/2024	at Georgia	L	17-31	10-18	55.6	5-7	71.4	1-3	33.3	1-3	33.3	3-5	60.0	0-0	0.0
	Tennessee			70-154	45.5	16-35	45.7	18-41	43.9	15-34	44.1	21-44	47.7	0-0	0.0
	Opponents			38-138	27.5	15-42	35.7	9-39	23.1	7-24	29.2	7-32	21.9	0-1	0.0

### 4th-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent		Score	Ove	Overall		1st Qtr		2nd Qtr		d Qtr	4th Qtr		Overtime	
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	W	69-3	1-1	100.0	1-1	100.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0
09/07/2024	vs NC State	W	51-10	1-1	100.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	1-1	100.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0
09/14/2024	Kent St.	W	71-0	3-4	75.0	1-1	100.0	1-1	100.0	1-1	100.0	0-1	0.0	0-0	0.0
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	W	25-15	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0
10/05/2024	at Arkansas	L	14-19	0-2	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-1	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-1	0.0	0-0	0.0
10/12/2024	Florida	Wot1	23-17	2-2	100.0	0-0	0.0	1-1	100.0	1-1	100.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0
10/19/2024	Alabama	W	24-17	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0
11/02/2024	Kentucky	W	28-18	1-1	100.0	0-0	0.0	1-1	100.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	W	33-14	1-2	50.0	1-2	50.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0	0-0	0.0
11/16/2024	at Georgia	L	17-31	1-2	50.0	0-0	0.0	1-1	100.0	0-0	0.0	0-1	0.0	0-0	0.0
	Tennessee			10-15	66.7	3-4	75.0	4-5	80.0	3-3	100.0	0-3	0.0	0-0	0.0
	Opponents			5-17	29.4	1-4	25.0	3-5	60.0	0-1	0.0	1-7	14.3	0-0	0.0

### **Time of Possession**

Date	Opponent		Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	W	69-3	29:10	07:48	06:47	04:28	10:07	00:00
09/07/2024	vs NC State	W	51-10	31:28	06:49	05:47	08:33	10:19	00:00
09/14/2024	Kent St.	W	71-0	31:45	08:01	06:23	02:56	14:25	00:00
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	W	25-15	35:41	06:32	11:47	09:48	07:34	00:00
10/05/2024	at Arkansas	L	14-19	24:31	02:19	06:57	07:51	07:24	00:00
10/12/2024	Florida	Wot1	23-17	25:04	04:20	07:42	07:12	05:50	00:00
10/19/2024	Alabama	W	24-17	26:32	03:55	05:43	06:32	10:22	00:00
11/02/2024	Kentucky	W	28-18	29:28	06:43	07:56	06:36	08:13	00:00
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	W	33-14	34:18	08:17	05:27	08:04	12:30	00:00
11/16/2024	at Georgia	L	17-31	29:31	09:25	07:15	05:31	07:20	00:00
	Tennessee		Total	297:28	64:09	71:44	67:31	94:04	00:00
			Avg.	29:45	06:25	07:10	06:45	09:24	00:00
	Opponents		Total	302:23	76:58	87:00	66:20	72:05	00:00
			Avg.	30:14	07:42	08:42	06:38	07:13	00:00



# **RED ZONE STATS**

## **Tennessee Inside Opponent Red-Zone**

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				Times	Times	Total		Rush	Pass	FGs	F	ailed t	o so	ore in	side	RZ
Date	Opponent		Score	In RZ	Scored	Pts	TDs	TDs	TDs	Made	FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	W	69-3	7	7	45	6	4	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
09/07/2024	vs NC State	W	51-10	6	5	28	3	1	2	2	2	0	1	0	0	0
09/14/2024	Kent St.	W	71-0	8	7	41	5	3	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	W	25-15	3	3	13	1	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
10/05/2024	at Arkansas	L	14-19	3	2	14	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
10/12/2024	Florida	W	23-17	3	3	16	2	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
10/19/2024	Alabama	W	24-17	4	3	21	3	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
11/02/2024	Kentucky	W	28-18	8	4	28	4	3	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	1
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	W	33-14	6	3	9	0	0	0	3	3	1	0	1	0	1
11/16/2024	at Georgia	L	17-31	1	1	7	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Totals 38 of 4	9 (7	7.6%)	49	38	222	27	19	8	11	14	3	2	1	0	2

### **Opponents Inside Tennessee Red-Zone**

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				Times	Times	Total		Rush	Pass	FGs	F	ailed t	o so	ore in	side	RZ
Date	Opponent		Score	In RZ	Scored	Pts	TDs	TDs	TDs	Made	FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	W	69-3	2	1	3	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
09/07/2024	NC State	W	51-10	2	1	4	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
09/14/2024	Kent St.	W	71-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
09/21/2024	Oklahoma	W	25-15	4	3	15	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
10/05/2024	Arkansas	L	14-19	5	4	19	2	2	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	0
10/12/2024	Florida	W	23-17	6	3	17	2	0	2	1	1	1	0	1	0	1
10/19/2024	Alabama	W	24-17	4	3	17	2	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
11/02/2024	Kentucky	W	28-18	2	1	3	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	W	33-14	2	2	14	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11/16/2024	Georgia	L	17-31	5	5	31	4	2	2	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
	Totals 23 of 3	2 (7	71.9%)	32	23	123	14	8	6	9	10	3	2	3	0	1



# **OFFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME**

# **Passing**

#8 Nico lamaleava	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
Chattanooga	22	28	0	78.6	314	3	59	1-4	208.1
NC State	16	23	2	69.6	211	2	45	0-0	157.9
Kent St.	10	16	0	62.5	173	1	53	0-0	174.0
Oklahoma	13	21	0	61.9	194	1	66	3-14	155.2
Arkansas	17	29	0	58.6	158	0	42	4-19	104.4
Florida	16	26	1	61.5	169	0	24	3-19	108.4
Alabama	14	27	1	51.9	194	1	55	3-17	117.0
Kentucky	28	38	0	73.7	292	1	31	2-8	146.9
Mississippi St.	8	13	0	61.5	174	2	73	0-0	224.7
Georgia	20	33	0	60.6	167	0	17	5-19	103.1
Totals	164	254	4	64.6	2046	11	73	21-100	143.4

#12 Jake Merklinger	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
Chattanooga	4	4	0	100.0	31	0	13	1-2	165.1
Kent St.	2	5	0	40.0	17	0	9	1-6	68.6
Totals	6	9	0	66.7	48	0	13	2-8	111.5

#13 Gaston Moore	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
Chattanooga	7	12	1	58.3	69	0	13	0-0	90.0
Kent St.	4	4	0	100.0	94	2	53	0-0	462.4
Alabama	0	1	1	0.0	0	0	0	0-0	-200.0
Mississippi St.	5	8	0	62.5	38	0	14	0-0	102.4
Totals	16	25	2	64.0	201	2	53	0-0	141.9



# **OFFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME CONT.**

# Rushing

Player	No-Yds/TD	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK	AR	UF	UA	UK	MS	UG
Dylan Sampson	220-1230/21	12-124/3	20-132/2	13-101/4	24-92/1	22-138/2	27-112/3	26-139/2	27-142/2	30-149/1	19-101/1
Nico lamaleava	76-233/1	4-6/0	8-65/1	5-31/0	8-15/0	11-17/0	8-1/0	9-44/0	7-14/0	4-22/0	12-18/0
DeSean Bishop	54-372/3	5-60/1	10-42/0	7-120/2	16-65/0	3-19/0	7-24/0	5-36/0	1-6/0	DNP	DNP
Peyton Lewis	45-216/1	4-14/0	3-5/0	10-99/0	-	-	-	-	8-24/1	14-44/0	6-30/0
Khalifa Keith	17-61/1	10-43/1	3-5/0	4-13/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Cameron Seldon	14-74/0	7-47/0	DNP	DNP	-	-	DNP	1-1/0	DNP	6-26/0	DNP
Hunter Barnes	7-38/0	-	DNP	7-38/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	DNP
Jake Merklinger	7-22/0	3-1/0	DNP	4-21/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Gaston Moore	3-18/0	-	-	1-15/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	DNP	2-3/0	DNP
Patrick Wilk	3-12/0	-	DNP	3-12/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Bru McCoy	2-15/0	1-9/0	-	-	-	-	1-6/0	-	-	-	-
Navy Shuler	1-6/0	DNP	DNP	1-6/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Miles Kitselman	1-1/1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-1/1
Squirrel White	17/0	-	-	-	17/0	-	-	-	-	-	-

### Receiving

Receiving											
Player	No-Yds/TD	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK	AR	UF	UA	UK	MS	UG
Bru McCoy	31-395/0	6-89/0	1-10/0	1-9/0	4-92/0	2-9/0	-	6-80/0	5-56/0	2-12/0	4-38/0
Squirrel White	31-349/1	2-22/0	2-67/0	1-19/0	3-13/0	7-38/0	5-71/0	-	2-11/0	3-63/1	6-45/0
Chris Brazzell II	23-271/2	5-59/0	3-18/0	2-63/1	1-0/0	2-21/0	3-49/0	2-27/1	2-11/0	2-17/0	1-6/0
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	20-505/4	3-105/2	-	2-64/0	2-73/1	1-42/0	1-11/0	3-70/0	5-36/0	3-104/1	-
Miles Kitselman	17-229/3	-	3-39/1	1-15/1	-	2-24/0	-	-	6-97/1	1-8/0	4-46/0
Dylan Sampson	15-110/0	3-29/0	3-37/0	1-4/0	-	1-11/0	2-7/0	-	1-9/0	13/0	3-16/0
Holden Staes	13-101/1	2-13/0	1-18/1	1-16/0	2-8/0	-	2-5/0	1-5/0	3-27/0	-	1-9/0
Ethan Davis	10-75/1	2-20/1	2-14/0	-	1-8/0	DNP	2-10/0	2-12/0	-	1-11/0	-
Chas Nimrod	9-115/0	1-7/0	-	2-34/0	-	2-13/0	1-16/0	-	3-45/0	-	-
Kaleb Webb	5-44/0	2-19/0	1-8/0	2-17/0	-	DNP	DNP	-	DNP	DNP	DNP
Mike Matthews	3-35/1	DNP	DNP	2-35/1	-	-	-	-	1-0/0	-	<u>-</u>
Trey Weary	3-18/0	3-18/0	DNP	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Nathan Leacock	1-13/0	1-13/0	-	-	DNP	-	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Dayton Sneed	1-12/0	1-12/0	-	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
DeSean Bishop	1-10/0	1-10/0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	DNP	DNP
Khalifa Keith	1-8/0	-	-	1-8/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Peyton Lewis	1-7/0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-7/0
Cameron Seldon	12/0	12/0	DNP	DNP	-	-	DNP	-	DNP	-	DNP



# **DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME**

## **Total Tackles**

Player	S-A	Total	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	ОК	AR	UF	UA	UK	MS	UG
Arion Carter	21-33	54	0-3	2-1	0-3	3-3	2-6	1-3	3-3	5-5	3-4	2-2
Will Brooks	29-19	48	4-1	0-1	1-3	2-1	6-4	1-5	5-3	-	3-1	7-0
Jermod McCoy	18-15	33	1-1	3-0	-	3-0	1-4	1-2	5-3	1-0	2-5	1-0
Jeremiah Telander	12-20	32	4-0	1-0	1-2	-	0-5	0-5	2-2	1-2	2-4	1-0
James Pearce Jr.	17-13	30	_	0-1	-	1-1	5-4	3-4	2-1	1-0	2-2	3-0
Andre Turrentine	16-14	30	1-1	1-0	-	3-2	2-2	2-4	2-2	1-0	2-2	2-1
Joshua Josephs	14-16	30	2-1	2-0	0-1	3-0	1-3	2-5	0-3	2-2		2-1
Keenan Pili	11-18	29	1-1	1-3	1-2	4-1	4-10	0-1	DNP		DNP	:
Boo Carter	21-7	28	2-0	2-0	0-1	2-0	2-0	2-5	3-0	3-1	2-0	3-0
Jalen Smith	9-19	28	1-3	0-1	0-1	-	0-3	1-3	0-1	3-6	0-1	4-0
Rickey Gibson III	17-7	24	DNP	1-0	-	1-1	-	5-1	2-1	4-2	2-0	2-2
Dominic Bailey	9-14	23	2-1	1-2	1-0	1-1	0-2	0-2	2-2	2-2	0-1	0-1
Bryson Eason	14-7	21	2-0	2-2	-	1-0	1-1	1-2	2-0	2-1	1-1	2-0
Christian Charles	13-8	21	0-1	DNP	DNP	2-0	3-1	5-2	1-0	0-1	0-2	2-1
Jakobe Thomas	12-8	20	1-1	2-1	3-1	2-0	1-2	1-0	1-1	0-1	1-1	-
Omari Thomas	9-9	18		1-3	-	1-0	1-0	0-2	2-0	3-0	0-3	1-1
Omarr Norman-Lott	7-9	16	0-3	1-1	-	1-0	1-1	1-1	0-1	0-1	2-0	1-1
Kalib Perry	6-9	15	-	DNP	0-3	0-1	1-0	2-1	2-2	1-0	0-2	-
Jaxson Moi	6-9	15	_	0-3	- -	2-0	0-2	1-1	2-0	-	0-3	1-0
Daevin Hobbs	5-10	15	0-2	0-1	-	1-0	0-1	0-1	0-1	1-3	1-1	2-0
Christian Harrison	8-6	14	1-0	1-1	-	3-2	0-1	DNP	1-1	2-1	-	-
Tyre West	7-6	13	2-0	1-2	0-1	3-0	-	0-1	0-2		DNP	1-0
Jalen McMurray	10-1	11	1-0	0-1	1-0	J-0 -	2-0	2-0	1-0	_	1-0	2-0
Edrees Faroog	6-5	11	3-0	1-0	2-4	-	-	-	-	_	0-1	-
Elijah Simmons	4-5	9	1-2	-	- -	1-0	0-1	0-1	_	0-1	-	2-0
John Slaughter	3-2	5	-	0-2	1-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	1-0	-	_	1-0
Jayson Jenkins	2-3	5	_	-	0-1	1-1	0-1	-	1-0		1-0	_
Kellen Lindstrom	2-2	4		DNP	2-2	DNP						
Caleb Herring	1-3	4	0-1	1-0	DNP	-	-	-	0-1	-	0-1	-
Carson Gentle	1-3	4	1-1	DNP	0-2	DNP	DNP	DNP		DNP	DNP	DNP
Jordan Matthews	2-1	3	0-1	-	2-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kaleb Beasley	2-1	3	_	-	1-0	_	_	_	_	1-1	_	-
Matthew Salansky	2-1	3	_	_	-	1-0	_	_	1-0		0-1	_
Edwin Spillman	1-2	3	DNP	DNP	0-2	1-0	DNP			DNP		
Jordan Ross	1-2	3	1-0	0-2	DNP	-	-	-	- DIVI		- DIVI	-
Jamal Wallace	0-3	3	0-1	DNP	0-2	DNP	DND	DNIP	DND	DNP	DND	DNP
Eli Purcell	0-3	3	-	0-1	0-2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ryan Scott	1-1	2	_	0-1	1-0	DNP	DNID	DNID	DNID	DNP	DNP	DNP
Nathan Robinson	0-2	2	_	0-1	0-1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nico lamaleava	1-0	1	_	1-0	-	-	_	_	_		_	_
Gaston Moore	1-0	1	_	-	-	DNP	DNP	DNID	1-0	DNP	-	DNP
Marcus Goree Jr.	1-0	1	1-0	DNP	-	DNP		DNP	:	DNP		:
Colin Brazzell	1-0	1	-	DNP	1-0	DNP			DNP	:	DNP	
Jackson Mathews	1-0	1	-	DNP	1-0	DNP		DNP	:	DNP	:	
Andrej Karic	1-0	1	_		-	- DINF	DINF.	1-0	DINE	DINE	- DINF	- DINF
Nathan Leacock	1-0	1	1-0	-	-	DNP	-	T-0	DND -	- DNP	- DNP	- DNP
Mike Bethea II	1-0	1		- DNP	- 1-0	DNP	- DNP	- DNP	:	DNP	DNP	DNP
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# **DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME CONT.**

# **Tackles For Loss**

Player	UA-A	Total	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK	AR	UF	UA	UK	MS	UG
James Pearce Jr.	6-5	8.5	-	0.5-2	-	0.5-8	2.0-10	1.0-6	1.5-4	1.0-9	1.0-4	1.0-1
Arion Carter	4-4	6.0	-	1.5-3	-	1.0-1	1.5-2	0.5-1	-	-	1.5-2	-
Joshua Josephs	3-6	6.0	0.5-1	1.0-5	-	1.0-1	0.5-1	1.5-2	0.5-2	1.0-7	-	-
Bryson Eason	4-3	5.5	-	1.0-4	-	-	0.5-2	2.0-8	-	-	1.0-9	1.0-2
Tyre West	3-2	4.0	2.0-11	0.5-1	-	1.0-4	-	0.5-2	-	-	DNP	-
Omari Thomas	2-4	4.0	-	1.5-2	-	-	-	1.0-3	-	1.0-7	0.5-1	-
Jaxson Moi	3-1	3.5	-	0.5-3	-	2.0-9	-	-	1.0-1	-	-	-
Omarr Norman-Lott	3-1	3.5	-	1.0-7	-	-	-	1.5-10	-	-	1.0-12	-
Jakobe Thomas	2-2	3.0	-	1.0-5	-	-	0.5-1	-	1.5-6	-	-	-
Jayson Jenkins	2-2	3.0	-	-	-	1.5-10	0.5-2	-	-	-	1.0-3	-
Christian Harrison	2-1	2.5	1.0-2	-	-	1.0-3	0.5-1	DNP	-	-	-	-
Will Brooks	2-1	2.5	-	-	1.0-2	-	-	0.5-0	1.0-1	-	-	-
Dominic Bailey	2-1	2.5	-	1.0-1	-	-	-	-	1.5-15	-	-	-
Jeremiah Telander	1-3	2.5	-	-	-	-	0.5-0	0.5-1	0.5-1	-	1.0-1	-
Boo Carter	1-3	2.5	-	-	-	-	-	1.5-11	-	-	1.0-1	-
Christian Charles	2-0	2.0	-	DNP	DNP	1.0-2	-	1.0-1	-	-	-	-
Elijah Simmons	1-1	1.5	0.5-2	-	-	1.0-5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Keenan Pili	1-1	1.5	-	0.5-2	-	1.0-2	-	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Jordan Ross	1-1	1.5	1.0-2	0.5-2	DNP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rickey Gibson III	1-0	1.0	DNP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.0-3	-
Kalib Perry	1-0	1.0	-	DNP	-	-	-	-	1.0-7	-	-	-
Edrees Farooq	1-0	1.0	-	1.0-1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ryan Scott	1-0	1.0	-	-	1.0-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Daevin Hobbs	0-2	1.0	-	0.5-1	-	-	0.5-0	-	-	-	-	-
Andre Turrentine	0-1	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	0.5-1	-	-	-	-
Jermod McCoy	0-1	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5-0	-	-	-
John Slaughter	0-1	0.5	-	0.5-1	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	-
Nathan Robinson	0-1	0.5	-	0.5-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

## **Sacks**

Sacks												
Player	UA-A	Total	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK	AR	UF	UA	UK	MS	UG
James Pearce Jr.	4-3	5.5	-	-	-	0.5-8	1-8	0.5-5	1.5-4	1-9	1-4	-
Omarr Norman-Lott	3-1	3.5	-	1-7	-	-	-	1.5-10	-	-	1-12	-
Tyre West	2-0	2	1-8	-	-	1-4	-	-	-	-	DNP	-
Dominic Bailey	2-0	2	-	1-1	-	-	-	-	1-14	-	-	-
Jayson Jenkins	1-1	1.5	-	-	-	0.5-8	-	-	-	-	1-3	-
Jakobe Thomas	1-0	1	-	1-5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Joshua Josephs	1-0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-7	-	-
Bryson Eason	1-0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-9	-
Omari Thomas	1-0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-7	-	-
Jaxson Moi	1-0	1	-	-	-	1-7	-	-	-	-	-	-
Boo Carter	0-2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1-10	-	-	-	-
Christian Harrison	0-1	0.5	-	-	-	-	0.5-1	DNP	-	-	-	-
Jeremiah Telander	0-1	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5-1	-	-	-
Daevin Hobbs	0-1	0.5	-	-	-	-	0.5-0	-	-	-	-	-



# **RETURNS GAME-BY-GAME**

## **Punt Returns**

Player	No-Yds	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK	AR	UF	UA	UK	MS	UG
Boo Carter	9-137	-	-	2-55	-	-	-	-	-	6-56	1-26
Squirrel White	7-112	1-20	3-58	1-22	2-12	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jermod McCoy	6-59	1-0	-	1-23	-	-	2-34	-	2-2	-	-
Jordan Ross	1-49	1-49	-	DNP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Braylon Harmon	1-6	DNP	DNP	1-6	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP

# **Kick Returns**

Player	No-Yds	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK	AR	UF	UA	UK	MS	UG
Cameron Seldon	3-77	1-35	DNP	DNP	-	1-24	DNP	1-18	DNP	-	DNP
Peyton Lewis	3-65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-21	1-31	1-13
Mike Matthews	1-32	DNP	DNP	1-32	-	-	-	-	-	-	<u>-</u>
William Wright	1-26	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	-	-	1-26	-
Squirrel White	1-0	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-

# **Interceptions Returns**

Player	No-Yds	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	ОК	AR	UF	UA	UK	MS	UG
Will Brooks	3-152	-	1-85	-	-	-	-	1-0	1-67	-	-
Jermod McCoy	2-71	-	-	-	1-17	-	-	1-54	-	-	-
Arion Carter	1-15	-	-	-	-	-	1-15	-	-	-	-
Boo Carter	1-9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-9	-
Andre Turrentine	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-

## **Fumble Returns**

Player	No-Yds	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK	AR	UF	UA	UK	MS	UG
Jeremiah Telander	3-0	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	1-0	-
Joshua Josephs	2-0	1-0	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jakobe Thomas	1-0	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-
James Pearce Jr.	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-
Dominic Bailey	1-0	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



# **TENNESSEE SCORING DRIVES**

Opponent	Plays	Yards	ТОР	Result	Qtr.	Time	How Scored
Chattanooga	11	65	3:43	TD	1	11:09	Sampson 1-yd rush
Chattanooga	4	35	1:03	TD	1	8:34	Davis 4-yd rec.
Chattanooga	2	59	0:26	TD	1	7:18	Thornton Jr. 36-yd rec.
Chattanooga	8	72	2:28	FG	1	3:32	Gilbert 36-yd FG
Chattanooga	6	78	1:59	TD	2	14:03	Sampson 3-yd rush
Chattanooga	9	79	1:55	TD	2	10:14	Thornton Jr. 10-yd rec.
Chattanooga	2	61	0:16	TD	2	6:43	Sampson 5-yd rush
Chattanooga	9	45	2:54	FG	3	7:15	Gilbert 42-yd FG
Chattanooga	6	63	1:33	TD	3	1:13	Bishop 22-yd rush
Chattanooga	17	80	7:05	TD	4	4:06	Keith 1-yd rush
Chattanooga	-			TD	4	1:07	Ross 49-yd blocked PR
vs. NC State	9	62	4:10	TD	1	0:09	Sampson 9-yd rush
vs. NC State	7	61	2:31	FG	2	6:33	Gilbert 32-yd FG
vs. NC State		-		TD	2	3:29	Brooks 85-yd INT
vs. NC State	6	18	1:44	<u>FG</u>	2	0:00	Gilbert 45-yd FG
vs. NC State	10	75	4:33	TD	3	10:27	Kitselman 15-yd rec.
vs. NC State	4	5	1:40	FG	3	6:31	Gilbert 36-yd FG
vs. NC State	3	34	0:43	<u>TD</u>	3	4:02	lamaleava 31-yd rush
vs. NC State	5	60	3:13	TD	4	14:07	Sampson 34-yd rush
vs. NC State	<u>5</u> 7	34	2:58	TD	4	8:22	Staes 18-yd rec.
Kent State	/	73	1:25	TD	I	11:32	Sampson 22-yd rush
Kent State	7	48	2:16	Safety	I	10:35	Kent St. FR in End Zone
Kent State				TD	I	8:11	Sampson 1-yd rush
Kent State Kent State	3	51 53	0:33 0:11	TD TD	<u> </u> 1	5:56 3:35	Brazzell 53yd rec. Bishop 53-yd rush
Kent State	8	 48	3:28	TD	<u>!</u> 1	0:02	Sampson 1-yd rush
Kent State	4		1:03	TD	2	13:06	Bishop 47-yd rush
Kent State	<del></del>	<u>56</u>	2:04	TD	2	7:49	Sampson 14-yd rush
Kent State Kent State	6	90	1:56	TD	2	3:06	Kitselman 15-yd rec.
Kent State Kent State	6	48	1:20	TD	2	0:19	Matthews 18-yd rec.
Kent State Kent State	9	58	2:56	FG	3	12:04	Gilbert 36-yd FG
Kent State	12	79	6:56	FG	4	14:05	Gilbert 21-yd FG
at Oklahoma	6	42	2:36	FG	1	3:45	Gilbert 27-yd FG
at Oklahoma	2	75	0:39	TD	1	0:03	Thornton Jr. 66-yd rec.
at Oklahoma	-	=	-	Safety	2	9:12	Jenkins TFL in End Zone
at Oklahoma	8	46	3:47	TD	2	1:40	Sampson 1-yd rush
at Oklahoma	6	53	2:49	FG	3	6:03	Gilbert 41-yd FG
at Oklahoma	4	9	1:40	FG	4	3:35	Gilbert 32-yd FG
at Arkansas	7	75	2:27	TD	3	12:33	Sampson 4-yd rush
at Arkansas	6	60	2:09	TD	3	8:19	Sampson 4-yd rush
Florida	11	75	4:21	TD	3	2:57	Sampson 6-yd rush
Florida	4	3	1:10	FG	3	1:37	Gilbert 35-yd FG
<u>Florida</u>	2	29	0:29	TD	4	9:42	Sampson 23-yd rush
<u>Florida</u>	5	25		TD	OT		Sampson 1-yd rush
Alabama	<u>7</u>	91	1:54	TD	3	6:32	Sampson 2-yd rush
Alabama	5	75	2:11	TD	3	1:00	Sampson 3-yd rush
Alabama	7	54	2:43	TD	4	5:52	Brazzell II 16-yd rec.
Alabama	4	8	0:18	FG	4	1:30	Gilbert 41-yd FG
Kentucky	14	64	4:54	TD	2	4:45	Lewis 1-yd rush
Kentucky	5	28	1:37	TD	3	8:28	Sampson 7-yd rush
Kentucky	2	10	0:28	TD	3	0:33	Kitselman 6-yd rec.
Kentucky	13	91	5:14	TD	4	4:55	Sampson 6-yd rush
Mississippi State	7	55 77	2:34	TD	<u> ၂</u>	11:44	White 34-yd rec.
Mississippi State	<u> </u> 1⊑	73 64	0:12 4:53	TD FG	2 2	13:35	Thornton Jr. 73-yd rec.
Mississippi State Mississippi State	15 3	26	0:14	FG FG	2	0:46 0:00	Gilbert 24-yd FG Gilbert 38-yd FG
Mississippi State	<u>5</u>	<u>26</u> 32	3:09	FG FG	3	7:59	Gilbert 51-yd FG
Mississippi State	7	<u>32</u> 75	2:51	TD	<u> </u>	7.59 3:31	Sampson 33-yd rush
Mississippi State	15	67	7:54	FG	4	8:14	Gilbert 38-yd FG
at Georgia	12	78	7.54 3:47	TD	1	10:09	Kitselman 1-yd rush
at Georgia	4		3.47 1:54	FG	<u> </u>	0:43	Gilbert 52-yd FG
at Georgia	10	<u>3</u> 	4:42	TD	2	1:54	Sampson 27-yd rush
at Ocorgia	10	13	4.42	וט		1.34	3amps011 Z7-y0 10511

TOTAL - 62 Scores (43 TDs | 17 FGs | 2 Safeties)



# **PARTICIPATION**

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	Ethan Davis	9/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX		XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
1	Dont'e Thornton Jr.	10/1	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
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2	Andre Turrentine	10/10	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
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5	Christian Harrison	9/4	START	XXX	START	START	START		XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
6	Jalen McMurray	10/1	START	XXX								
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7	Arion Carter	10/10	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
8	Kalib Perry	9/2	XXX		XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	XXX	XXX	XXX
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9	Jakobe Thomas	10/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
10	Elijah Simmons	10/2	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
10	Mike Matthews	8/0			XXX							
11	Keenan Pili	6/5	START	START	START	START	START	XXX				
11	Chas Nimrod	10/1	XXX	XXX	START	XXX						
12	John Slaughter	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX				XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
12	Jake Merklinger	2/0	XXX		XXX							
13	Gaston Moore	5/0	XXX	XXX	XXX				XXX		XXX	
13	Edwin Spillman	2/0			XXX	XXX						
14	Christian Charles	8/0	XXX			XXX						
14	Braylon Staley	2/0			XXX						XXX	
15	Ryan Damron	1/0			XXX							
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17	Chris Brazzell II	10/8	START	START	XXX	START	XXX	START	START	START	START	START
18	DeSean Bishop	8/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX		
18	Tyree Weathersby	10/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
19	Holden Staes	10/3	XXX	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	XXX
19	Joshua Josephs	10/5	XXX	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	START	START	XXX
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20	Khalifa Keith	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX							
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21	Navy Shuler	1/0			XXX							
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23	Cameron Seldon	5/0	XXX			XXX	XXX		XXX		XXX	
23	Boo Carter	10/3	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	START
24	Hunter Barnes	3/0	XXX		XXX						XXX	
24	Jordan Matthews	10/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
25	Kaleb Beasley	10/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
26	Carson Whitehead	0/0										
27	James Pearce Jr.	10/6	START	START	START	START	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START
27	Peyton Lewis	10/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
28	Patrick Wilk	2/0	XXX		XXX							
28	Marcus Goree Jr.	2/0	XXX		XXX							
29	Jack-Henry Jakobik	1/0			XXX							
29	Jordan Ross	9/0	XXX	XXX		XXX						
30	Tommy Winton III	10/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
30	Jamal Wallace	2/0	XXX		XXX							
31	Jackson Locke	1/0			XXX							
31	Caleb Herring	9/0	XXX	XXX		XXX						
33	Ben Bolton	7/0		XXX		XXX	XXX		XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
35	Will Brooks	10/10	START	START	:		START	START		START	START	START
36	Nathan Roberts	1/0			XXX							
37	Montrell Bandy	9/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX		XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
	Andre Stewart	0/0						:				
38	Andre Stewart	10/0	XXX	 XXX								

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39	Malcolm Kinzer	1/0			XXX							
40	Colin Brazzell	2/0	XXX		XXX							
41	JT Carver	1/0	XXX									
42	Tyre West	9/3	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	START		XXX
42	Braylon Harmon	1/0			XXX							
43	Jackson Mathews	2/0	XXX		XXX							
44	Luke Shouse	0/0										
44	Steele Katina	0/0										
46	Cody Duncan	0/0										
47	Matthew Salansky	10/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
48	Bennett Brady	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX							
50	William Satterwhite	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX							
50	Ryan Scott	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX							
51	Jaxson Moi	10/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
52	Eli Purcell	10/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
53	Daevin Hobbs	10/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
53	Lance Heard	8/8	START	START			START	START	START	START	START	START
54	Vysen Lang	5/0	XXX		XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX				
54	Jordan Burns	0/0										
55	Omarr Norman-Lott	10/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
56	Kellen Lindstrom	2/0	XXX		XXX							
57	Grier Short	2/0	XXX		XXX							
58	Herb Gray	0/0										
58	Marshall Box	0/0										
59	Masai Reddick	0/0										
59	Tim Amet	2/0	XXX		XXX							
60	Jeremias Heard	1/0			XXX							
63	Cooper Mays	10/10	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
64	Ayden Bussell	2/0	XXX		XXX							
65	Trevor Duncan	1/0			XXX							
66	Dayne Davis	10/2	XXX	XXX	START	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
68	Bennett Warren	3/0	XXX		XXX						XXX	
69	Gus Hill	0/0										
70	Andrej Karic	10/10	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
71	Max Anderson	1/0			XXX							
72	Jesse Perry	2/0	XXX		XXX							
73	Brian Grant	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX							
74	John Campbell Jr.	10/10	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
75	Jackson Lampley	10/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
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77	Larry Johnson III	9/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX		XXX
78	Gage Ginther	2/0	XXX		XXX							
79	Shamurad Umarov	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX				XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
80	Nate Spillman	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX							
82	Dayton Sneed	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX							
83	Trey Weary	2/0	XXX		XXX							
84	Kaleb Webb	5/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX			XXX			
85	Nathan Leacock	5/0	XXX	XXX	XXX		XXX	XXX				
86	Cole Harrison	2/0	XXX		XXX							
87	Joshua Helsdon	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX							
87	Miles Kitselman	10/10	START	START	:	:	START	START	START	START	START	START
88	Charlie Browder	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX							
89	Titus Rohrer	1/0			XXX							
89	Mike Bethea II	2/0	XXX		XXX							
90	Dominic Bailey	10/7	START	 START	START	 START	 START	XXX	 XXX	 XXX	 START	 START
-	Max Gilbert			XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX		XXX	XXX	XXX
90		10/0	XXX		:	:	:	:	XXX			:
94	Josh Turbyville	10/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
94	Nathan Robinson	10/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
95 96	Carson Gentle	2/0	XXX		XXX							
	Isaiah Inge	2/0	XXX		XXX							

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97	Jayson Jenkins	10/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
98	Jackson Ross	10/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
98	Emmanuel Okoye	0/0										

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### **TENNESSEE OVERTIME RECORDS**

### TENNESSEE OVERTIME GAMES & RESULTS (15-9) Opponent OTs 1st Poss. Game-Winning Score Final Score Sept. 19, 1998 Florida Jeff Hall 41 field goal W, 20-17 Offense Sept. 30, 2000 at LSU Defense\* Robert Royal 25 pass from Rohan Davey (John Corbello kick) L, 31-38 Oct. 5, 2002 Jason Witten 25 pass from Casey Clausen+ W, 41-38 Arkansas Offense Sept. 27, 2003 South Carolina W. 23-20 Defense<sup>®</sup> James Banks 4 pass from Casey Clausen+ Oct. 25, 2003 at Alabama Offense Casey Clausen 1 run (James Banks pass from Casey Clausen) W. 51-43 Sept. 26, 2005 at LSU Gerald Riggs, Jr. 1 run+ W, 30-27 Defense\* South Carolina Oct. 27, 2007 Offense Daniel Lincoln 27 field goal W, 27-24 at Kentucky Nov. 24, 2007 Quintin Hancock 40 pass from Erik Ainge (Austin Rogers pass from Ainge) W, 52-50 Defense\* Sept. 1, 2008 at UCLA Defense\* Kai Forbath 42 field goal L. 24-27 Nov. 28, 2009 at Kentucky Defense\* Montario Hardesty 20 run+ W. 30-24 Sept. 25, 2010 UAB Offense Denarius Moore 25 pass from Matt Simms+ W, 32-29 vs. North Carolina# Casev Barth 23 field goal+ Dec. 30, 2010 Defense Nov. 19, 2011 Vanderbilt Eric Gordon 90 INT return+ W, 27-21 Defense\* Nov. 10, 2012 Missouri Defense Andrew Baggett 35 field goal+ L. 48-51 Oct 5 2013 I 31-34 Georgia Offense Marshall Morgan 42 field goal+ Nov. 1, 2014 at South Carolina Offense Aaron Medley 32 field goal W. 45-42 Sterling Shepard 18 pass from Baker Mayfield (Austin Seibert kick) Sept. 12, 2015 Oklahoma Offense L, 24-31 Sept. 1, 2016 **Appalachian State** Offense Joshua Dobbs rush for 1 yard to the APP1, fumble forced by Kennan Gilchrist, W, 20-13 fumble by Dobbs recovered by UT's Jalen Hurd in the end zone (Aaron Medley kick) Oct. 8, 2016 at Texas A&M Offense L. 38-45 Trevor Knight 1 run (Daniel LaCamera kick) Sept. 4, 2017 vs. Georgia Tech' Defense\* John Kelly 2 run (Aaron Medley kick) W. 42-41 Sept. 7, 2019 BYU Defense\* Ty'Son Williams 5 run+ L, 29-26 Dec. 30, 2021 vs. Purdue# Mitchell Fineran 39 field goal+ L, 45-48 Offense Sept. 10, 2022 at Pittsburgh Offense Cedric Tillman 28 pass from Hendon Hooker W, 34-27 W, 23-17 Oct. 12, 2024 Florida Defense\* Dylan Sampson 1 run+ \*Won coin toss +Game-ending play #Bowl game ^Neutral site regular season game

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### **OVERTIME TEAM RECORDS**

Record in OT: 15-9

Most OT Periods: 6 vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002

Longest Game (Elapsed Time): 4:43 at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007; at Texas A&M, Oct. 8, 2016

Points: 31 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003

Opponent Points: 23 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003; Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012

Points, Both Teams: 54 (UT 31, Alabama 23), Oct. 25, 2003

Fewest Points: 0 at LSU, Sept. 30, 2000; at UCLA, Sept. 1, 2008

Fewest Points, Both Teams: 3 (Five Times) Most Recent: (Purdue 3, UT 0), Dec. 30, 2021

Touchdowns: 4 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003

Total Offense Plays: 21 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (105 yards)

Total Offense Yards: 105 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (21 plays)

Rushing Attempts: 13 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (40 yards) Rushing Yards: 40 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (13 attempts)

Pass Attempts: 16 vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (9 completions, 72 yards, 2 touchdowns)

Pass Completions: 9 vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (for 72 yards)

Passing Yards: 77 at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (6-of-9)

Field Goals Attempted: 2 vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (2 made)

Field Goals Made: 2 vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (2 attempts)

Longest Drive, Plays: 9 vs. Purdue, Dec. 30, 2021 (24 yards, TO on Downs)

Shortest Drive, Plays: 1 vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (25 yards, Jason Witten 25 pass from Casey Clausen); vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (25 yards, Tony Brown 25 pass from Casey Clausen); at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (25 yards, James Banks 25 pass from Casey Clausen); vs. UAB, Sept. 25, 2010 (25 yards, Denarius Moore 25 pass from Matt Simms)

Shortest Drive, Yards: minus-7 vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (1 play, Derrick Tinsley rush and fumble lost)

Opponent Longest Drive, Plays: 8, Pitt, Sept. 10, 2022 (5 yards, Turnover on Downs)
Opponent Shortest Drive, Plays: 1, LSU, Sept. 30, 2000 (25 yards, Robert Royal 25 pass from Rohan Davey)

Opponent Shortest Drive, Yards: minus-15, at South Carolina, Nov. 1, 2014 (4 plays, Elliott Fry missed 58-yard field goal attempt)

### **OVERTIME INDIVIDUAL RECORDS**

Points: 14, James Banks at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (2 TDs, 1 PAT)

Touchdowns: 2, James Banks at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003; John Kelly vs. Georgia Tech, Sept. 4, 2017

Rushing Attempts: 6, Jaylen Wright vs. Purdue, Dec. 30, 2021 (23 yards)

Rushing Yards: 23, Jaylen Wright vs. Purdue, Dec. 30, 2021 (6 attempts); Jabari Davis vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (5 attempts)

Longest Rushing Play: 20, Montario Hardesty at Kentucky, Nov. 28, 2009

**Longest Rushing Touchdown:** 20 yards, Montario Hardesty at Kentucky, Nov. 28, 2009

Passing Attempts: 15, Tyler Bray vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (8 completions)

Passing Completions: 8, Tyler Bray vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (15 attempts)

Passing Yards: 77, Erik Ainge at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (6-of-9); Tyler Bray vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (8-of-15)

Longest Pass Completion: 40, Erik Ainge to Quintin Hancock (TD) at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (1st-and-10 from the 40-yard line)

Longest Passing Touchdown: 40, Erik Ainge to Quintin Hancock at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (1st-and-10 from the 40-yard line)

Receptions: 2, Cedrick Wilson at LSU, Sept. 30, 2000 (16 yards); James Banks at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (30 yards); Gerald Jones at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (20 yards); Denarius Moore vs. UAB, Sept. 25, 2010 (31 yards); Cordarrelle Patterson vs. Missouri, Nov, 10, 2012 (31 yards); Rajion Neal vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (12 yards); Zach Rogers vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (10 yards); Marlin Lane vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (6 yards)

Receiving Yards: 40, Quintin Hancock at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (1 reception)

Field Goals Attempted: 2, Philip Newman vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (2 made)

Field Goals Made: 2, Philip Newman vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (2 attempts)

Longest Field Goal Made: 41, Jeff Hall vs. Florida, Sept. 19, 1998



# **PLAYER NOTES | LISTED ALPHABETICALLY**



# DOMINIC BAILEY

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DL • 6-3 • 292 • R-Sr. Salisbury, Md.

### CAREER

- Experienced pass rusher who is in his fifth year with the program
- Sees most time at strongside defensive end
- Has steadily improved throughout his career and is part of the starting rotation in 2024
- Played in 39 career games with nine starts and has two years of eligibility remaining, which includes his COVID-19 exempt season

### 2024

- Started at DE and notched one tackle in win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Tied a career high in tackles (4) for the second straight game in win over Kentucky (11/2)
- Had the most productive game of his career, setting or tying career highs in tackles (4), TFLs (1.5), sacks (1.0) and QB hurries (2) in win over #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Saw action on a season-high 49 snaps and finished with two tackles at Arkansas (10/5)
- Played 48 snaps in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), finishing with a pair of tackles and a QB hurry
- Posted three tackles, a sack, a forced fumble and fumble recovery in victory over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Set up a UT field goal with his third-quarter strip sack of Wolfpack QB Grayson McCall that he also recovered
- Started the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and tied a career high with three tackles

### **NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
- Goes by "Dom"
- Favorite musical artist is NBA YoungBoy
- Favorite food is chicken alfredo
- Favorite sport other than football is basketball
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 56

### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	4 (2x), last vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Tackles for Loss	1.5 vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
Sacks	1.0 (2x), last vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
QB Hurries	2 vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
Passes Defended	1 vs. Tennessee Tech, 9/18/21
Forced Fumbles	1 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
Fumble Recoveries	1 (2x), last vs. NC State, 9/7/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2020	1/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
2021	2/0	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	1-TTU
2022	13/0	3	8	11	0-0	1-3	0	0	1	0	3-2x
2023	13/2	7	6	13	0.5-4	0.5-4	0	1	0	0	3-IOWA
2024	10/7	9	14	23	2-15	2.5-16	1	1	3	0	4-2x
Career	39/9	19	29	48	2.5-19	4-23	1	2	4	1	4-2x

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	2-1-3
*vs. NC State	1-2-3, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff, 1 fr
*Kent State	1-0-1
*at Oklahoma	1-1-2, 1 qbh
*at Arkansas	0-2-2
Florida	0-2-2
Alabama	2-2-4, 1.5 tfl, 1 s, 2 qbh
Kentucky	2-2-4
*Mississippi State	0-1-1
*at Georgia	0-1-1

2023 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	1-0-1
at Florida	0-2-2

UTSA	0-2-2
South Carolina	1-1-2, 0.5 s, 0.5 tfl
Texas A&M	1-0-1
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-1-1
UConn	0-0-0
at Missouri	0-0-0
Georgia	1-0-1
Vanderbilt	0-0-0
*vs. lowa	3-0-3, 1 fr

U-A-T, Other
0-0-0
0-0-0, 1 qbh
0-1-1
1-0-1
0-3-3
0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
0-0-0
0-0-0
2-1-3
0-1-1
0-0-0
0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
0-0-0

U-A-T, Other
DNP
DNP
0-1-1, 1 pd
DNP
0-0-0
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DNP

2020 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
Florida	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



# DE'SEAN BISHOP

RB • 5-10 • 200 • R-Fr. Knoxville, Tenn.

### CAREER

- Explosive, playmaking running back who produced one of the most prolific careers in Tennessee high school history for nearby Karns High School
- A contributor in UT's running back rotation this season after a strong spring and preseason camp
- Did not see action and redshirted as a true freshman as sustaining an injury during preseason camp
- Has four years of eligibility remaining
- Played in eight career games

### 2024

- Averaged 7.2 yards per carry in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19), totaling five carries for 36 yards
- Had seven carries for 24 yards in win vs. Florida (10/12)
  Posted a career-high 16 carries and finished with 65
- rushing yards in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/31)

  Continued his impressive start to the year with a
- Continued his impressive start to the year with a game and career-high 120 rushing yards and two TDs on just seven carries in win over Kent State (9/14)
- Averaged 17.1 yards per attempt against the Golden Flashes had TD runs of 53 and 47 yards on consecutive carries in the first half
- Had a career-high 10 rushes for 42 yards (4.2 avg) in win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Shined in his collegiate debut, finishing with 60 rushing yards and a touchdown on just five carries, averaging 12.0 yards per attempt, while also adding one catch for 10 yards in season-opening win over Chattanooga (8/31)

 Had two carries of 20-plus yards against the Mocs, including a 22-yarder in the third quarter for his firstcareer touchdown

### NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- Signed with Tennessee as a preferred walk-on in Dec. 2022
- Racked up 8,347 rushing yards and 102 rushing touchdowns over the course of his high school career, ranking second and third all-time in Tennessee high school football history, respectively, according to the TSSAA online record book
- Back-to-back Tennessee Titans 5A Mr. Football Award winner after compiling more than 6,000 all-purpose yards between his junior and senior seasons
- Exploded as a junior in 2021, carrying the ball 441 times for 3,179 yards and 34 touchdowns, finishing less than 200 yards shy of the state record and second in state history
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- >> Full profile on UTSports.com

### **CAREER HIGHS**

Rushes	16 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Rushing Yards	120 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Rushing Touchdowns	2 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Long Rush	53 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Receptions	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Receiving Yards	10 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Long Reception	10 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023			D١	NP - R	edshirte	d		
2024	8/0	54	372	6.9	46.5	3	53-KSU	120-KSU
Career	8/0	54	372	6.9	46.5	3	53-KSU	120-KSU

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023			DN	P - Red	shirted			
2024	8/0	1	10	10.0	1.3	0	10-UTC	10-UTC
Career	8/0	1	10	10.0	1.3	0	10-UTC	10-UTC

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

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2024 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	5-60-1, 24	1-10-0, 10
vs. NC State	10-42-0, 15	0-0-0
Kent State	7-120-2, 53	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	16-65-0, 17	0-0-0
at Arkansas	3-19-0, 13	0-0-0
Florida	7-24-0, 6	0-0-0
Alabama	5-36-0, 15	0-0-0
Kentucky	1-6-0, 6	0-0-0
Mississippi State	DNP - Injury	
at Georgia	DNP - Injury	



# CHRIS BRAZZELL II

WR • 6-5 • 200 • R-So. Midland, Texas

Last name pronounced BRAZ-ull

### **CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award Watch List
- 2023 CFN Freshman All-American (HM)
- 2023 All-AAC Third Team

### **CAREER**

- Explosive and lengthy wide receiver who transferred to UT after playing two seasons at Tulane where he was the team's leading receiver in his final year
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2024 and went through spring practice and summer workouts
- Has three seasons of remaining eligibility, including the 2024 campaign
- Played in 15 games at Tulane, recording 45 receptions for 722 yards and five touchdowns, while averaging 16.0 yards per catch



- Owns eight 30+ yard catches and two 100-yard receiving games in his career
- Played in 25 career games (15 at Tulane, 10 at UT) with 16 starts (8 at Tulane, 8 at UT)

### 2024

- Hauled in two receptions for 27 yards, including the game-winning diving touchdown grab on a 16yard pass in the corner of the end zone with 5:52 remaining in the fourth quarter against #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Got the start and was second on the team with three catches for 49 yards in win over Florida (10/12)
- Made a pair of first down catches for 21 yards at Arkansas (10/5)
- Hauled in two catches for 63 yards in win over Kent State (9/14), including a career-long 53-yarder in the first guarter for his first touchdown as a Vol
- Was productive in his Tennessee debut in the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31), tallying five receptions for 59 yards on eight targets

### **NOTABLE**

- · Majoring in sociology
- Teams up with his brother, Colin, who plays defensive back and joined the Vols in the summer of 2024
- Father, Chris, played at Blinn College and Angelo State before being selected in the sixth round (pick No. 174) of the 1998 NFL Draft by the New York Jets. He played on the Jets' practice squad and then spent two seasons with the Dallas Cowboys (1999-2000) before playing seven seasons in the CFL with four different franchises
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Receptions	7 at FAU, 11/18/23
Receiving Yards	103 (2x), last at FAU, 11/18/23
Receiving Touchdowns	2 vs. UTSA, 11/24/23
Long Reception	53 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
*2022	2/0	1	11	11.0	5.5	0	11-ALC	11-ALC
*2023	13/8	44	711	16.2	54.7	5	47-UTSA	103-2x
2024	10/8	23	271	11.8	27.1	2	53-KSU	63-KSU
at TU	15/8	45	722	16.0	48.1	5	47-UTSA	103-2x
at UT	10/8	23	271	11.8	27.1	2	53-KSU	63-KSU
Career	25/16	68	993	14.6	39.7	7	53-KSU	103-2x
* at Tulane								

### GAME-RY-GAME

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*Chattanooga	5-59-0, 23
*vs. NC State	3-18-0, 12
Kent State	2-63-1, 53
*at Oklahoma	1-0-0, 0
at Arkansas	2-21-0, 15
*Florida	3-49-0, 23
*Alabama	2-27-1, 16
*Kentucky	2-11-0, 7
*Mississippi State	2-17-0, 11
*at Georgia	1-6-0, 6

2027 0	D W-l- TD /
2023 Орр.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*South Alabama	4-53-1, 33
*Ole Miss	0-0-0
*at Southern Miss	3-35-1, 17
*Nicholls	4-42-0, 13
*UAB	2-49-0, 39
at Memphis	3-103-0, 38
North Texas	2-50-0, 28
at Rice	5-75-0, 24
at East Carolina	3-26-0, 12
*Tulsa	3-41-0, 26
*at FAU	7-103-1, 38
*UTSA	5-93-2, 47
*SMU	3-41-0, 22
v. Virginia Tech	DNP

- 2022 Opp.
   Rec-Yds-TD, Lg

   UMass
   0-0-0

   Alcorn State
   1-11-0, 11
- \* denotes started



# WILL BROOKS

DB • 6-1 • 206 • R-Sr. Birmingham, Ala.

### **CAREER HONORS**

- Burlsworth Trophy Semifinalist
- Burlsworth Trophy Walk-On of the Week (vs. Alabama, 10/22/24)
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2022 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2021 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

### CARFFR

- Smart, veteran and dependable safety who is in his fifth year with the program
- A Burlsworth Trophy semifinalist who earned a starting role in UT's secondary and has had a breakout season for the Vols
- Stepped into a significant role in the Vols' secondary during the final two games of the 2023 regular season due to injuries and also been a prominent contributor on special teams coverage
- Three-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll and will wear the SEC Graduate patch this season after earning his undergraduate degree in finance in May 2024
- Played in 46 career games and made 11 starts

### 2024

- Has started all 10 games at safety, leading the team with three interceptions and ranking second with 48 total tackles
- Led the Vols with seven tackles (all solo) and also had a pass breakup at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Posted four tackles in win vs. Mississippi State (11/9)
- Returned a third quarter interception 67 yards to set up what turned out to be the game-winning touchdown in win over Kentucky (11/2). Also had a QB hurry in the win over the Wildcats
- Was recognized by the Burlsworth Trophy as the Walk-On of the Week after an impressive performance in UT's win vs. Alabama (10/19), tying for the team lead with eight tackles, including a TFL, and also had an interception on the Crimson Tide's final offensive play to seal the victory
- Also made a shoestring, touchdown saving tackle on Alabama QB Jalen Milroe early in the first quarter
- Had another solid performance in a win over Florida (10/12), posting six tackles, including half a TFL and a pass breakup
- Posted a career-high 10 tackles and also forced a fumble at Arkansas (10/5)
- Played 54 snaps in win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), posting three tackles and a pass breakup in UT's dominant defensive showing
- Finished tied for second on the team with four tackles, including his first TFL of the year, in win over Kent State (9/14)
- Made his first-career interception and returned it 85 yards for a touchdown in the second quarter of win vs. #24 NC State (9/7) and also added another pass breakup
- His pick-six was the turning point in UT's win over the Wolfpack as it gave the Vols a 17-3 lead and was part of a 30-0 run to break the game open
- Started at safety in Vols' season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and led the team with five tackles on the day

### **NOTABLE**

- Earned his undergraduate degree in finance in May 2024 and is pursuing an MBA
- Favorite movie is Remember The Titans
- Favorite food is steak
- Favorite TV show is The Office
- Is an avid hiker
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

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Tackles	10 at Arkansas, 10/5/24
Tackles for Loss	1.0 (3x), last vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
Interceptions	1 (3x), last vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Passes Defended	2 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
QB Hurries	1 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Forced Fumbles	1 at Arkansas, 10/5/24
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	1 at LSU, 10/8/22
Touchdowns	1 (pick-six) vs. NC State, 9/7/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2020				D١	NP - Re	edshirt					
2021	13/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
2022	13/0	4	1	5	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	2-VU
2023	10/1	13	5	18	0-0	1-6	0	0	1	0	8-VU
2024	10/10	29	19	48	0-0	2.5-3	1	0	7	3	10-ARK
Career	46/11	46	25	71	0-0	3.5-9	1	1	8	3	10-ARK

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

4-1-5
0-1-1, 2 pd, 1 int (TD)
1-3-4, 1 tfl
2-1-3, 1 pd
6-4-10, 1 ff
1-5-6, 0.5 tfl, 1 pd
5-3-8, 1 tfl, 1 pd, 1 int
0-0-0, 1 pd, 1 int, 1 qbh
3-1-4
7-0-7, 1 pd

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	1-0-1
Austin Peay	DNP
at Florida	DNP
UTSA	DNP
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	0-0-0
at Alabama	1-0-1
at Kentucky	0-0-0
UConn	2-0-2, 1 pd
at Missouri	0-0-0
Georgia	5-1-6
*Vanderbilt	4-4-8, 1 tfl
vs. lowa	0-0-0

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	0-0-0
at Pitt	0-0-0
Akron	1-0-1
Florida	1-0-1
at LSU	0-0-0, 1 fr
Alabama	1-0-1
UT Martin	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0
Missouri	0-0-0
at South Carolina	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	1-1-2
vs. Clemson	0-0-0

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Bowling Green	0-0-0
Pitt	0-0-0
Tennessee Tech	0-0-0
at Florida	0-0-0
at Missouri	0-0-0
South Carolina	0-0-0
Ole Miss	0-0-0
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0
Georgia	0-0-0
South Alabama	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-0-0
vs. Purdue	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



# JOHN CAMPBELL JR. OL • 6-6 • 330 • R-Sr. Orlando, Fla.

### **CAREER HONORS**

- 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- 2025 Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List
- SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (at Kentucky, 10/30/23)

### **CAREER**

- Skilled, veteran offensive tackle who is in his seventh collegiate season
- Announced he would return for his final year prior to the Citrus Bowl
- Transferred to Tennessee in the spring of 2023 after spending five years at Miami
- Extremely versatile and can play both tackle spots
- Had a strong spring in 2023, in which he took control of a starting spot upon arrival and was a difference maker for the Vols, who were semifinalists for the 2023 Joe Moore Award
- Shifted to the right side for the 2024 season and played there during the spring
- Appeared in 53 career games (34 at Miami, 19 at UT) with 37 starts (18 at Miami, 19 at UT) playing 2,306 collegiate offensive snaps
- For his career, has made 25 starts at left tackle, 11 at right tackle and one at left guard
- The 2024 season is his final year of eligibility

### 2024

- Has started all 10 games at right tackle this season
- Helped UT pile up 240 rushing yards, 452 total yards and did not allow a pressure in win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Did not allow any pressures in 59 snaps as Tennessee piled up 477 yards of total offense in win vs. Kentucky (11/2)
- Appeared in the 50th game of his career in win over #7 Alabama (10/19), playing 46 snaps without allowing a sack or QB hit
- Saw action on a season-high 60 snaps and did not allowed any pressures in a win vs. Florida (10/12)
- Played 55 offensive snaps at right tackle at Arkansas (10/5)
- Started his 30th career game and played 24 clean snaps at RT in blowout win over Kent State (9/14), helping UT set a program record with 740 total yards, including 456 rushing yards, and a modernera record for total points with 71
- Started at RT and helped the Vols rush for 249 yards in blowout victory over #24 NC State (9/7), playing 30 offensive snaps without allowing a pressure
- Got the start at RT in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31), playing 37 snaps without allowing any pressures as UT racked up 718 total yards of offense, which was tied for the second most in program history

### NOTABLE

- Earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Miami in fall of 2021
- One of his favorite places to eat is Waffle House
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### CAREER STATS

**Games Played/Started:** 2024: 10/10; 2023: 9/9; 2022: 12/12; 2021: DNP; 2020: 7/4; 2019: 11/2; 2018: 4/0 **Career: 53/37; Miami: 34/18; Tennessee: 19/19** 



# ARION CARTER LB • 6-1 • 234 • So. Smyrna, Tenn.

First name pronounced air-EE-on

### **CAREER HONORS**

• 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

### **CAREER**

- Talented, physical in-state linebacker who is having a breakout sophomore season and has emerged as one of the team's top defensive players this year
- Was limited during spring practice after a shoulder surgery in October 2023 forced him to miss the final five games of the year
- Earned a starting role at WLB this season
- Played in 18 career games and made 10 starts

### 2024

- Has started all 10 games at WLB this season and leads the team with 54 total tackles
- Posted four tackles at No. 12 Georgia (11/16)
- Had a team-high seven tackles, including 1.5 TFLs and a pass breakup in win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Led the team with a career-high 10 tackles and added a QB hurry in win vs. Kentucky (11/2)
- Totaled six tackles and a QB hurry is win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Finished with four tackles, half a TFL and had a key interception in the third quarter vs. Florida (10/12) that he returned 15 yards to set up a field goal that tied the game. The INT was the first of his career
- Posted eight tackles and tied career bests with 1.5 TFLs and one pass breakup at Arkansas (10/5)
- Led a dominant defensive effort in win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21) with a team-leading six tackles, including a TFL and a pass breakup
- Flashed in win over #24 NC State (9/7), making three tackles while setting or tying career highs in TFLs (1.5), QB hurries (1) and pass breakups (1)
- Made his first-career start in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and finished with three tackles while playing 22 defensive snaps

### **NOTABLE**

- Majoring in pre-professional programs
- Also lettered in basketball and track & field in high school, qualifying for the state meet in the 300-meter hurdles
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 62

### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	10 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Tackles for Loss	1.5 (3x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
QB Hurries	1 (3x), last vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
<b>Passes Defended</b>	1 (6x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Interceptions	1 vs. Florida, 10/12/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2023	8/0	8	9	17	0-0	1-4	0	0	1	0	4-UVA
2024	10/10	21	33	54	0-0	6-9	0	0	5	1	10-UK
Career	18/10	29	42	71	0-0	7-13	0	0	6	1	10-UK

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

vs. Virginia

2024 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	0-3-3
*vs. NC State	2-1-3, 1.5 tfl, 1 pd
*Kent State	0-3-3
*at Oklahoma	3-3-6, 1 tfl, 1 pd
*at Arkansas	2-6-8, 1.5 tfl, 1 pd
*Florida	1-3-4, 0.5 tfl, 1 pd, 1 int
*Alabama	3-3-6, 1 qbh
*Kentucky	5-5-10, 1 qbh
*Mississippi State	3-4-7, 1.5 tfl, 1 pd
*at Georgia	2-2-4
2023 Opp.	U-A-T. Other

Austin Peay	1-0-1	
at Florida	2-1-3	
UTSA	1-1-2, 1 pd	
South Carolina	1-2-3, 1 tfl	
Texas A&M	1-1-2	
at Alabama	0-0-0	
at Kentucky	0-2-2	
UConn	DNP - Injury	
at Missouri	DNP - Injury	
Georgia	DNP - Injury	
Vanderbilt	DNP - Injury	
vs. Iowa	DNP - Injury	
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\* - denotes started

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# BOO CARTER

DB • 5-11 • 195 • Fr. Chattanooga, Tenn.

### CAREER

- SEC Freshman of the Week (vs. Florida, 10/14/24)
- 2024 On3 True Freshman Preseason All-American

### CAREER

- Dynamic athlete and two-way star who made an impact on defense and special teams as a true freshman
- Early enrollee in January 2024 who participated in Citrus Bowl practices and spring practice
- Worked in the secondary during spring practice and is the starting rotation at Tennessee's STAR position
- · Has emerged as a dangerous punt returner
- Played in 10 career games and made three starts

### 2024

- Started at STAR and played 40 defensive snaps at Georgia (11/16), making three tackles and also returning a punt for 26 yards to set up a first quarter field goal for the Vols
- Started at STAR and put together one of his best games of the season in win vs. Mississippi State (11/9), posting a pair of tackles and one TFL as well as his first-career interception
- Was also dynamic as a punt returner against the Bulldogs with six returns for 56 yards, including returns of 28 and 23 yards to help set UT up with great field position
- Earned his first-career start (STAR) and made four tackles in win vs. Kentucky (11/2)
- Played a season-high 45 snaps and finished with three solo tackles in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Had his most productive game of the year to date, posting career highs in tackles (7), TFLs (1.5) and sacks (1.0) to go along with one QB hurry in a win vs. Florida (10/12)
- Played 39 defensive snaps and had two tackles at Arkansas (10/5)
- Made a pair of tackles in his SEC debut during road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Showcased his playmaking ability in the return game with two punt returns of 20-plus yards in win vs. Kent State (9/14), including a 35-yard return in the second guarter
- Played 23 defensive snaps and made a pair of tackles in win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Flashed in his collegiate debut, playing 30 defensive snaps and making two tackles while leading all players with two QB hurries in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

### NOTABLE

- Full name is Orlando Boo Carter
- Majoring in marketing
- · Favorite movie is Friday
- Models his game after Tyrann Mathieu
- Favorite sport other than football is baseball
- Was named the 2023 Tennessee Titans Class 6A Mr. Football Award winner after a phenomenal senior campaign that saw him finish with 1,795 all-purpose yards and 27 total touchdowns
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 63

### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	7 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Tackles for Loss	1.5 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Sacks	1.0 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
QB Hurries	2 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Passes Defended	1 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Interceptions	1 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Punt Returns	6 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Punt Return Yards	56 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Long Punt Return	35 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2024	10/3	21	7	28	1-10	2.5-12	0	0	1	1	7-UF
Career	10/3	21	7	28	1-10	2.5-12	0	0	1	1	7-UF

Punt Returns	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2024	9	137	15.2	13.7	0	35-KSU	56-MSU
Career	9	137	15.2	13.7	0	35-KSU	56-MSU

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other	PR-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	2-02, 2 qbh	0-0-0
vs. NC State	2-0-2	0-0-0
Kent State	0-1-1	2-55-0, 35
at Oklahoma	2-0-2	0-0-0
at Arkansas	2-0-2	0-0-0
Florida	2-5-7, 1.5 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh	0-0-0
Alabama	3-0-3	0-0-0
*Kentucky	3-1-4	0-0-0
*Mississippi State	2-0-2, 1 tfl, 1 pd, 1 int	6-56-0, 28
*At Georgia	3-0-3	1-26-0, 26

<sup>\* -</sup> denotes started



# CHRISTIAN CHARLES

DB • 6-1 • 200 • R-Jr. Gainesville, Ga.

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### CAREER

- Versatile and instinctive redshirt junior defensive back who is also a contributor on special teams coverage
- Suffered an Achilles injury during the Vols' second game of the 2023 season and has worked his way back
- Has recorded 64 career tackles to go along with two TFLs, one pass breakup and one fumble recovery
- Played in 28 games with seven starts in career
- · Including this season, has two years of eligibility

### 2024

- Played 27 snaps at safety and posted three tackles at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Tied a season high with 29 snaps and made one tackle in win vs. Kentucky (11/2)
- Saw action on a season-high 29 snaps and made one tackle in win over #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Played 26 snaps at safety and finished with a season-best seven tackles to go along with one TFL in win over Florida (10/12)
- Posted four tackles in 24 defensive snaps at Arkansas (10/5)
- Played 21 snaps and had two tackles, including a TFL, in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Saw action on 20 defensive snaps and made one tackle in season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

### **NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sport management
- Was an All-Region QB at Chestatee High School
   First feetball player from Chestatee High School
- First football player from Chestatee High School to sign with an SEC program since 2009
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	8 (2x), last vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
Tackles for Loss	1.0 (3x), last vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Passes Defended	1 at Missouri, 10/2/21
Fumbles Recovered	1 vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
Blocked Kicks	1 (Blocked Punt) vs. Pitt. 9/11/21

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2021	8/1	6	2	8	0-0	1-2	0	0	1	0	4-TTU
2022	10/6	19	16	35	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	8-2x
2023	2/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
2024	8/0	13	8	21	0-0	2-3	0	0	0	0	7-UF
Career	28/7	38	26	64	0-0	3-5	0	1	1	0	8-2x

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

U-A-T, Other
0-1-1
DNP
DNP
2-0-2, 1 tfl
3-1-4
5-2-7, 1 tfl
1-0-1
0-1-1
0-2-2
2-1-3

2023 Орр.	U-A-T, Other		
vs. Virginia	0-0-0		
Austin Peay	0-0-0		
Missed remainder of season due to injury			

U-A-T, Other
3-5-8
0-0-0
1-0-1
3-1-4
6-1-7
3-5-8, 1 fr
DNP
DNP
DNP
1-1-2
1-1-2
0-1-1
1-1-2

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Bowling Green	2-0-2
Pitt	0-0-0, 1 blocked punt
Tennessee Tech	3-1-4, 1 tfl
at Florida	1-1-2
*at Missouri	0-0-0, 1 pd
South Carolina	DNP
Ole Miss	DNP
at Alabama	DNP
at Kentucky	DNP
Georgia	DNP
South Alabama	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-0-0
vs. Purdue	0-0-0

\* - denotes started

DAYNE DAVIS

OL • 6-7 • 333 • R-Sr.

Bluff City, Tenn.

### **CAREER HONORS**

- SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (vs. Vanderbilt, 11/27/23)
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2022 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2021 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2020 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

### CAREER

- Former preferred walk-on offensive lineman who has been invaluable in terms of his versatility at multiple positions
- Seen action at right tackle, left tackle and center during his career
- Has been a key contributor in the offensive line rotation in 2023 and 2024
- Earned a scholarship in December 2020 and then made an immediate impact on the staff with his outstanding play and work ethic
- Played in 49 career games and made eight starts (six at RT, two at LT)

• Is using his last year of eligibility this season

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- Played 31 snaps at right tackle at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Did not allow a pressure in 56 snaps at RT and helped the Vols rush for 240 yards while piling up 452 yards of total offense in win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Saw action on 25 snaps at RT, helping Vols post 477 yards of total offense in win vs. Kentucky (11/2)
- Logged 30 offensive snaps at RT in win over #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Saw limited action at RT against Arkansas (10/5) and Florida (10/12)
   Started at LT for the second straight game in SEC
- Started at LT for the second straight game in SEC opener at #15 Oklahoma (9/21) and played a seasonhigh 75 snaps, splitting time at both tackle spots
- Made his seventh career start and first at LT in win over Kent State (9/14), playing 39 clean snaps to help UT set a program record with 740 total yards, including 456 rushing yards, and a modern-era record for total points with 71
- Did not allow a pressure in 33 snaps at RT and helped the Vols rush for 249 yards in 51-10 win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Played 25 clean snaps at RT in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31) as UT racked up 718 total yards of offense, which was tied for the second most in program history

### **NOTABLE**

- Earned his bachelor's degree in supply chain management from the Haslam College of Business in May 2023 and is working towards a master's degree in management and human resources
- Has helped contribute to the "Mountain Strong" campaign by raising over \$8,000 in supplies for relief efforts following Hurricane Helene and delivering those supplies to those in need in East Tennessee
- Is an avid golfer
- $\bullet \ \, \text{Twitter/X:} @ \text{BigDayne\_Davis} \mid \text{IG:} @ \_ \text{daynedavis}$
- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 65

### **CAREER STATS**

**Games Played/Started:** 2024: 10/2; 2023: 13/3; 2022: 13/0; 2021: 13/3; 2020: 0/0; 2019: 0/0

Career: 49/8



# ETHAN DAVIS

TE • 6-5 • 246 • R-Fr.

Atlanta, Ga.

### CAREER HONORS

• 2023 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

### CAREER

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- Athletic tight end with big-play potential who is part of the Vols' stellar rotation
- Outstanding job developing his body and skills in the spring and summer
- Enrolled at UT in Jan. 2023 and showed his bigplay potential and physicality during spring and fall practices
- Played in 12 career games

- Had one catch for 11 yards in win vs. Mississippi State (11/9)
- Played 20 snaps in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19) and for the fourth time this season, tied his career-high with two receptions which gained 12 yards
- Tied his career high with two catches for 10 yards in win over Florida (10/12)
- Saw action on 14 snaps and made one catch for eight yards in his SEC debut in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Played 23 snaps and made two catches for 14 yards in blowout win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Hauled in his first-career touchdown reception on a four-yard pass from Nico lamaleava in the first quarter of UT's season-opening win over Chattanooga (8/31) and finished with two catches for 20 yards on the day

### NOTABLE

- Majoring in sociology
- Was one of the top tight end prospects in the nation coming out of Collins Hill HS in Georgia
- Was a two-sport star in high school who was also a coveted recruit on the basketball court, garnering offers from numerous major D-I programs
- Holds the school record for points in a game with 43 against Mill Creek on Feb. 9, 2022 and is a two-time Georgia All-State selection in hoops
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Receptions	2 (4x), last vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
Receiving Yards	33 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
Receiving Touchdowns	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Long Reception	19 vs. UConn, 11/4/23

### **CAREER STATS**

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023	3/0	2	33	16.5	11.0	0	19-CONN	33-CONN
2024	9/0	10	75	7.5	8.3	1	16-UTC	20-UTC
Career	12/0	12	108	9.0	9.0	1	19-CONN	33-CONN

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

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2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	2-20-1, 16
vs. NC State	2-14-0, 10
Kent State	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	1-8-0, 8
at Arkansas	DNP
Florida	2-10-0, 11
Alabama	2-12-0, 11
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	1-11-0, 11
at Georgia	0-0-0

2023 Орр.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	DNP
at Florida	DNP
UTSA	DNP
South Carolina	DNP
Texas A&M	DNP
at Alabama	DNP
at Kentucky	DNP
UConn	2-33-0, 19
at Missouri	DNP
Georgia	DNP
Vanderbilt	DNP
vs. Iowa	0-0-0



# BRYSON EASON

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### CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- 2025 Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List

### CAREER

- A strong, disruptive in-state interior defensive lineman who has been a consistent force for UT on the interior defensive line
- Had the best season of his career in 2023 and has continued his impressive play this year
- Has totaled 71 tackles, 16 TFLs, four sacks, 11 QB hurries, one fumble recovery and two PBUs in his career
- Played in 45 career games with 18 starts
- Including this season, has two years of eligibility remaining

### 2024

- Has started all 10 games at defensive tackle
- Had two solo stops, including a TFL at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Had two tackles, including a nine-yard sack and two QB hurries in win over Mississippi State (11/9)

- Played 30 snaps and finished with three tackles in win over Kentucky (11/2)
- Finished with three tackles, including a career-high tying two TFLs in win vs. Florida (10/12), including a key five-yard TFL in overtime
- Had two tackles, half a TFL and a QB hurry at Arkansas (10/5) before having to leave the game with an injury
- Played a season-high 36 snaps in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), finishing with one tackle and one QB hurry
- Played just 11 defensive snaps but posted a pass breakup in win over Kent State (9/14)
- Tied a career high with four tackles, including one TFL in victory over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Started at DT and finished with two tackles in 15 defensive snaps during season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

### **NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
- Came to Tennessee has a linebacker before bulking up and transitioning to defensive line
- Made his first-career start in the 2022 Capital One Orange Bowl victory over No. 7 Clemson
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	4 (4x), last vs. NC State, 9/7/24
Tackles for Loss	2.0 (2x), last vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Sacks	1.0 (3x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
QB Hurries	2 (2x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
<b>Passes Defended</b>	1 (2x), last vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Fumble Recoveri	es 1 at Georgia, 11/5/22
Blocked Kicks	1 (FG) at Florida, 9/16/23

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2020	6/0	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-2x
2021	3/0	2	1	3	0-0	2-7	0	0	1	0	2-BG
2022	13/1	10	8	18	1.5-3	3.5-8	0	1	2	0	3-VU
2023	13/7	8	19	27	1.5-10	5-17	0	0	4	1	4-3x
2024	10/10	14	7	21	1-9	5.5-25	0	0	4	1	4-NCST
Career	45/18	34	37	71	4-22	16-57	0	1	11	2	4-4x

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

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2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	2-0-2
*vs. NC State	2-2-4, 1 tfl
*Kent State	0-0-0, 1 pd
*at Oklahoma	1-0-1, 1 qbh
*at Arkansas	1-1-2, 0.5 tfl, 1 qbh
*Florida	1-2-3, 2 tfl
*Alabama	2-0-2
*Kentucky	2-1-3
* Mississippi State	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 s, 2 qbh
*at Georgia	2-0-2, 1 tfl
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U-A-T, Other
0-2-2, 0.5 tfl
0-0-0
3-1-4, 1.5 tfl, 1 s,
1 qbh, 1 blk (FG)
0-3-3, 0.5 tfl
2-2-4
1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 qbh
1-2-3, 2 qbh
1-3-4, 1 tfl
0-1-1, 1 pd
0-1-1
0-1-1
0-1-1
0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	0-2-2
at Pitt	O-1-1
Akron	1-1-2, 1 s, 1 tfl
Florida	1-0-1
at LSU	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s
Alabama	1-0-1
UT Martin	2-0-2, 1 qbh
Kentucky	1-0-1

at Georgia	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 fr
Missouri	0-0-0
at South Carolina	0-1-1
at Vanderbilt	2-1-3, 1 tfl
*vs. Clemson	1-1-2, 1 qbh

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Bowling Green	2-0-2, 2 tfl
Pitt	0-0-0, 1 qbh
Tennessee Tech	DNP
at Florida	DNP
at Missouri	DNP
South Carolina	DNP
Ole Miss	DNP
at Alabama	DNP
at Kentucky	DNP
Georgia	DNP
South Alabama	DNP
Vanderbilt	0-1-1
vs. Purdue	DNP

2020 Орр.	U-A-T, Other	
at South Carolina	DNP	
Missouri	DNP	
at Georgia	DNP	
Kentucky	0-1-1	
Alabama	0-0-0	
at Arkansas	DNP	
at Auburn	0-0-0	
Florida	0-0-0	
at Vanderbilt	0-1-1	
Texas A&M	0-0-0	

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# RICKEY GIBSON III

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### **CAREER HONORS**

• 2023 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

### CAREER

- •Lockdown cornerback who made an immediate impact as a true freshman in 2023 and is one of the Vols' starters at the position in 2024
- Finished the year strong with his first career start in the Citrus Bowl and was a regular contributor on special teams coverage as well
- Arrived at Tennessee in Dec. 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices before going through spring practice 2023
- Saw an increased role at corner as the 2023 season progressed
- Played in 22 career games and made 10 starts

### 2024

- Made four tackles and had a PBU at Georgia (11/16)
- Had a pair of tackles, including a TFL, in win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Tied a career high with six tackles and also had a crucial pass breakup in the end zone on fourth down in win vs. Kentucky (11/2)
- Made three tackles in win over #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Posted a career-high six tackles and one pass breakup in win vs. Florida (10/12)
- Did not allow a reception and was targeted just once in 69 snaps while also making two tackles during win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Made his season debut in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7), getting the start at corner and making one tackle in 39 defensive snaps
- Did not play in season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) due to injury

### NOTABLE

- Majoring in supply chain management
- His father, Rickey Gibson Jr., played basketball at Stillman College (Ala.) and went on to have a nineyear professional career overseas
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	6 (2x), last vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Tackles for Loss	1.0 (2x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Passes Defended	1 (4x), last at Georgia, 11/16/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2023	13/1	6	3	9	0-0	1-3	0	0	1	0	4-CONN
2024	9/9	17	7	24	0-0	1-3	0	0	3	0	6-2x
Career	22/10	23	10	33	0-0	2-6	0	0	4	0	6-2x

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

U-A-T, Other
DNP - Injury
1-0-1
0-0-0
1-1-2
0-0-0
5-1-6, 1 pd
2-1-3
4-2-6, 1 pd
2-0-2, 1 tfl
2-2-4, 1 pd

2023 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	0-0-0
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	0-0-0
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-1-1
UConn	3-1-4, 1 tfl
at Missouri	0-0-0
Georgia	0-0-0, 1 pd
Vanderbilt	2-1-3
*vs. lowa	1-0-1

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### **CAREER HONORS**

- Lou Groza Award "Stars of the Week" (vs. Mississippi State, 11/12/24)
- SEC Special Teams Player of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/23/24)
- 2023 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

### CAREER

- Strong-legged, in-state placekicker who starred for Lausanne Collegiate School in Memphis
- Redshirted as a true freshman in 2023 and won the starting kicker spot this fall
- Arrived on Rocky Top in Dec. 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices before beginning classes in January 2023
- Played in 10 career games

### 2024

- Ranks sixth nationally and second in the SEC among kickers in scoring (9.1 points/game)
- Ranks 16th in the FBS and fourth in the SEC in total points scored (91)
- Tied for 13th in the FBS and fourth in the SEC with 17 field goals made this season
- Drilled a career-long 52-yard field goal in the first quarter at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Gilbert has made his last two 50-plus yard field goal attempts and is the seventh placekicker in UT history with multiple 50-plus yard field goals in a single season (first since Brent Cimaglia in 2019)
- Gilbert is the first UT kicker to make two 50-plus yard FGs in consecutive weeks since Fuad Reveiz did so in four straight games during the 1982 season
- Had an incredible bounce-back performance in win over Mississippi State (11/9), making a career-best four field goals and tying a career high with 15 total points

- Went 4-for-4 on FG attempts, including a then career-long 51-yarder in the third quarter against the Bulldogs
- Missed two 50-plus yard FG attempts in the first half but responded with an important 41-yarder late in the fourth quarter in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Made his lone FG attempt and both PATs in win vs. Florida (10/12). His 35-yard FG in the third quarter tied the game at 10
- Connected on all three of his FG attempts and both PATs, including a long FG of 41 yards in his SEC debut on the road at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Posted 15 points for the second straight game after drilling a career-high nine PATs and both of his FG attempts from 36 and 21 yards in win over Kent State (9/14)
- Went 3-of-4 on field goal attempts, making his first three in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7), including a career-long 45-yarder on the last play of the first half. Also drilled all six of his PATs, giving him a total of 15 points on the night
- Was perfect in his collegiate debut, totaling 13 points after drilling a pair of field goals from 36 yards and 42 yards and all seven of his PATs

### NOTABLE

- Majoring in management
- Was rated by Kohl's Kicking as a five-star prospect and the No. 30 placekicker in the nation
- Was one of three finalists for the 2022 Tennessee Mr. Football High School Kicker of the Year
- Transitioned from soccer to football after former LSU All-American kicker Josh Jasper, who coached at his high school, emailed his mother to come join the team
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

FG Made	4 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
FG Attempts	4 (2x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Longest Field Go	52 at Georgia, 11/16/24
Longest Attempt	53 (2x), last vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
PATs	9 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Points	15 (3x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Kick	GP	FG	FGA	Pct.	PAT	Pts	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	Long
2023					DN	P - I	Redshi	rted			
2024	10	17	23	73.9	40-40	91	3-3	8-9	4-6	2-5	52-UGA
Career	10	17	23	73.9	40-40	91	3-3	8-9	4-6	2-5	52-UGA

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	FGs, PATs, Pts
Chattanooga	2-2 (36G, 42G), 7-7, 13
vs. NC State	3-4 (32G, 45G, 36G, 53M), 6-6, 15
NC State	2-2 (36G, 21G), 9-9, 15
at Oklahoma	3-3 (27G, 41G, 32G), 2-2, 11
at Arkansas	0-0, 2-2, 2
Florida	1-1 (35G), 2-2, 5
Alabama	1-3 (53M, 50M, 41G), 3-3, 7
Kentucky	0-3 (43M, 40M, 34M), 4-4, 4
Mississippi State	4-4 (24G, 38G, 51G, 38G), 3-3, 15
at Georgia	1-1 (52G), 2-2, 5

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### **CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- 2022 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

### CAREER

• Versatile DB out of Georgia who is also one of the Vols' top special teams coverage contributors

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- •In his third year with the program and part of the starting rotation at STAR
- Has totaled 25 tackles, three TFLs, half a sack and one pass breakup in his career
- Played in 22 career games with four starts

### 2024

- Played 36 snaps, had one QB hurry and recorded his first-career pass breakup in victory over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Played 16 snaps at STAR and made three tackles in win vs. Kentucky (11/2)
- Returned to action and played 11 defensive snaps in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19), finishing with a pair of tackles against the Crimson Tide
- Started at STAR and recorded half a sack for the first time in his career in loss at Arkansas (10/5)
- Had the most productive game of his career thus far in road win over #15 Oklahoma (9/21), posting a career-high five tackles, including a TFL, in 56 snaps
- Had two tackles and a QB hurry vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made his first-career start in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31), logging one tackle and one TFL in 23 defensive snaps from the STAR position

### NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Father, Rodney Harrison, was a 15-year NFL veteran, two-time Super Bowl champion and a two-time Pro Bowler who played for the San Diego Chargers from 1994-2002 and the New England Patriots from 2003-08 before serving as a broadcaster for NBC
- His father also owns the most sacks of any defensive back in NFL history (30.5) and is the league's alltime career leader in Super Bowl tackles (33)
- Says his father is his biggest influence and inspiration because "he was always and still is the hardest working person in the room, and he motivates me to be great everyday"
- Aspires to be a business owner or get into real estate following his playing career
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	5 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Tackles for Loss	1.0 (2x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Sacks	0.5 at Arkansas, 10/5/24
QB Hurries	1 (2x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Passes Defended	1 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24

### CAREER STATS

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Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Th
2022	8/0	5	4	9	0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	3-BSL
2023	5/0	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-IOWA
2024	9/4	8	6	14	0.5-1	2.5-6	0	0	1	0	5-OL
Career	22/4	15	10	25	0.5-1	3-7	0	0	1	0	5-OL

2024 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	1-0-1, 1 tfl
vs. NC State	1-1-2, 1 qbh
*Kent State	0-0-0
*at Oklahoma	3-2-5, 1 tfl
*at Arkansas	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s
Florida	DNP
Alabama	1-1-2
Kentucky	2-1-3
Mississippi State	0-0-0, 1 qbh, 1 pd
at Georgia	0-0-0

2023 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	0-0-0
South Carolina	DNP
Texas A&M	DNP
at Alabama	DNP
at Kentucky	DNP
UConn	DNP
at Missouri	DNP
Georgia	DNP
Vanderbilt	DNP
vs. Iowa	2-0-2
at Florida UTSA South Carolina Texas A&M at Alabama at Kentucky UConn at Missouri Georgia Vanderbilt	0-0-0 0-0-0 DNP DNP DNP DNP DNP DNP DNP DNP

2022 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	1-2-3, 0.5 tfl
at Pitt	DNP
Akron	2-0-2
Florida	DNP

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### CAREER HONORS

• 2023 SEC All-Freshman Team

### **CAREER**

- Physically impressive five-star offensive tackle who transferred to Tennessee after an SEC All-Freshman season at LSU in 2023
- His combination of size and athleticism was on full display in the spring as he took control of left tackle for the Vols
- Considered the second-highest rated offensive tackle prospect during the 2023 transfer portal cycle
- Signed with LSU as a member of the Class of 2023 before committing and signing with Tennessee in January 2024
- Played in 20 career games (12 at LSU, 8 at UT) and has made nine starts (1 at LSU, 8 at UT)

### 2024

- Played all 72 snaps at Georgia (11/16) and did not allow a sack or QB hit
- Did not allow a pressure in a stout performance in win vs. Mississippi State (11/9), helping UT rush for 240 yards and pile up 452 yards of total offense
- Played all 82 offensive snaps at LT in win vs. Kentucky (11/2), helping the Vols post 477 yards of total offense
- Was in at LT on all 71 offensive plays and did not allow a sack in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Played all 69 offensive snaps and allowed just one pressure in win vs. Florida (10/12)
- Returned from injury and played all 64 offensive snaps at Arkansas (10/5)
- Did not play in wins over Kent State (9/14) or Oklahoma (9/21) due to injury
- Started at LT and helped the Vols rush for 249 yards in blowout victory over #24 NC State (9/7), playing 63 offensive snaps
- Started at LT in Chattanooga opener (8/31) and did not allow a pressure in 45 offensive snaps as UT racked up 718 total yards of offense, which was tied for the second most in program history

### NOTABLE

- Full name is Zalance Heard
- Majoring in communication studies
- Played in the Army All-American Game in December of 2022 and caught a touchdown pass
- Was ranked the No. 2 offensive tackle prospect in high school by On3 and No. 3 by 247Sports, Rivals and ESPN in the class of 2023
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### CAREER STATS

**Games Played/Started:** 2024: 8/8 2023: 12/1 Career: 20/9; LSU: 12/1; Tennessee: 8/8



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### **CAREER HONORS**

• 2023 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

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- Athletic edge rusher with exceptional burst who is in his second season with the program in 2024
- Bulked up this offseason and did an outstanding job developing his body after true freshman season
- •The consensus No. 1 overall player in the state of Tennessee for the Class of 2023 and a consensus four-star prospect
- Arrived on Rocky Top in Dec. 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices and spring practice 2023
- Saw increased action as the 2023 season progressed
- Played in 20 career games

### 2024

- Saw action on 12 defensive snaps at #12 Georgia, tying his season high for an SEC game
- Posted one tackle in win vs. Mississippi State (11/9)
- Played nine snaps and had one tackle in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Had one tackle and one quarterback hurry in 20 defensive snaps during season-opening victory vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

### NOTABLE

- Majoring in agricultural leadership, education and communication
- Was a top-15 edge rusher in the country by all major recruiting outlets, rated as high as No. 4 by Rivals and No. 8 by ESPN
- Younger brother of Elijah Herring, who played for the Vols from 2022-23 before transferring to Memphis
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	2 vs. UTSA, 9/23/23
Tackles for Loss	1.0 vs. UTSA, 9/23/23
Sacks	1.0 vs. UTSA, 9/23/23
Quarterback Hurries	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2023	11/0	1	2	3	1-7	1-7	1	0	0	0	2-UTSA
2024	9/0	1	3	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	1-4x
Career	20/0	2	5	7	1-7	1-7	1	0	1	0	2-UTSA

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### **GAME-BY-GAME**

U-A-T, Other
0-1-1, 1 qbh
1-0-1
DNP
0-0-0
0-0-0
0-0-0
0-1-1
0-0-0
0-1-1
0-0-0
U-A-T, Other

023 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
s. Virginia	0-0-0
ustin Peay	0-0-0
t Florida	0-0-0
ITSA	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff
outh Carolina	0-0-0
exas A&M	0-0-0
t Alabama	DNP
t Kentucky	DNP
lConn	0-0-0
t Missouri	0-1-1
ieorgia	0-0-0
anderbilt and a second	0-0-0
s. lowa	0-0-0



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### CAREER

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- Former five-star recruit out of North Carolina who has had an increased role in his second season as a Vol defensive lineman
- Enrolled at Tennessee in Jan. 2023 and was limited in spring practice after recovering from an injury
- When healthy, was in the defensive line rotation as a true freshman in 2023
- Played in 20 career games

### 2024

- Had two solo tackles in 20 defensive snaps at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Made two tackles in 19 snaps in win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Had one of his most productive games as a Vol in win vs. Kentucky (11/2), racking up a career-high four tackles while and a QB hurry
- Played a season-high 22 snaps and finished with one tackle and one QB hurry in win over #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Had half a sack and a QB hurry at Arkansas (10/5)
- Posted one tackle in 11 defensive snaps in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Played 13 defensive snaps and had half a TFL in win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Logged 16 defensive snaps and made two tackles in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

### NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Considered the No. 4 defensive lineman in the country by On3 and 247Sports
- Ranked the top prospect in North Carolina by 247Sports and Rivals
- Also starred on the basketball court for Robinson High, leading the Bulldogs to a 2021 Class 2A state championship while averaging 14.7 points per game
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	4 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Tackles for Loss	0.5 (4x), last at Arkansas, 10/5/24
Sacks	0.5 at Arkansas, 10/5/24
QB Hurries	1 (3x), last vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Career	20/0	11	18	29	0.5-0	2-2	0	0	3	0	4-UK
2024	10/0	5	10	15	0.5-0	1-1	0	0	3	0	4-UK
2023	10/0	6	8	14	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	3-2x
Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	π	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk

2024 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-2-2
vs. NC State	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
Kent State	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	1-0-1
at Arkansas	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s, 1 qbh
Florida	0-1-1
Alabama	0-1-1, 1 qbh
Kentucky	1-3-4, 1 qbh
Mississippi State	1-1-2
at Georgia	2-0-2

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other	
vs. Virginia	3-0-3	
Austin Peay	2-1-3	
at Florida	DNP	
UTSA	0-2-2	
South Carolina	DNP	
Texas A&M	DNP	
at Alabama	0-0-0	
at Kentucky	0-2-2	
UConn	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl	
UConn	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl	

at Missouri	0-0-0
Georgia	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	1-1-2, 0.5 tfl
vs. Iowa	0-0-0



# NICO IAMALEAVA QB • 6-6 • 215 • R-Fr. Long Beach, Calif.

Last name pronounced ee-ah-MAH-LAY-ah-va

### **CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 Shaun Alexander Freshman of Year Award Semifinalist
- Manning Award QB of the Week (9/11/24)
- SEC Freshman of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/23/24; vs. NC State, 9/9/24; vs. Chattanooga, 9/2/24)
- 2024 Maxwell Award Watch List
- 2024 Polynesian CFB Player of the Year Watch List
- 2024 ESPN.com College Football Top 100 Player (No. 92)
- 2024 Citrus Bowl MVP
- 2023 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

### CAREER

- Dynamic, dual-threat quarterback who is in his second season with the program
- Strong-armed signal caller with natural physical tools and leadership traits
- Member of the team's 2024 leadership council
- Arrived at Tennessee as the No. 1 prep player in the country according to On3 for the Class of 2023
- Came to Knoxville in Dec. 2022 and participated in 2022 Orange Bowl practices
- Followed that up a year later with his first career start in leading the Vols to a 2024 Citrus Bowl victory in which he was named the MVP
- Became the first UT true freshman QB to win a bowl game since Peyton Manning beat Virginia Tech in the 1994 Gator Bowl
- Played in 15 career games and made 11 starts

### 2024

- Named SEC Freshman of the Week in three of the first four weeks to start the season, which has already tied UT's single-season record for most times winning the award
- Completed 20 of 33 passes for 167 yards at #12 Georgia (11/16), marking his third-career game with 20 or more completions. Also had a season-high 12 rushes for 24 yards against the Bulldogs
- Was 8-of-13 passing for 174 yards and two TDs in the first half of win over Mississippi State (11/9) before missing the second half with an injury
- Connected with Dont'e Thornton Jr. for a 73-yard TD pass in the second quarter against the Bulldogs, marking UT's longest play this season
- Posted his best SEC performance to date in win vs. Kentucky (11/2), setting career highs in completions (28) and pass attempts (38) while totaling 292 yards and one touchdown through the air while adding 14 yards on the ground, as well
- Finished with 194 passing yards after completing 14 of 27 pass attempts, including the game-winning 16-yard TD connection with Chris Brazzell II with 5:52 left in the fourth quarter to defeat #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Went 16-of-26 passing for 169 yards in win vs. Florida (10/12)
- Was 17 of 29 for 158 yards and no interceptions and had 11 carries for 17 yards at Arkansas (10/5)
- Delivered another solid performance in his first-career SEC start, completing 13 of 21 passes for 194 yards, including a career-long 66-yard touchdown pass to Dont'e Thornton at the end of the first quarter, in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Was 10-of-16 passing for 173 yards and a touchdown in just a quarter and a half of action in blowout victory vs. Kent State (9/14), including a 53-yard TD pass to Chris Brazzell II in UT's record-setting 37-point first quarter. Also had five rushes for 31 yards in the win over the Golden Flashes

- Played a solid all-around game in blowout win vs.
   #24 NC State (9/7), passing for 211 yards and two touchdowns while adding a career-high 65 rushing yards and a score on the ground, as well
- Wowed in his first-ever start at Neyland Stadium, completing 22-of-28 pass attempts for a career-high 314 yards and three touchdowns in the first half of UT's season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31) ... Was tabbed SEC Freshman of the Week
- His 314 yards vs. the Mocs broke the school record for passing yards in a half, previously held by Tyler Bray who logged 313 in the first half against Troy on Nov. 3, 2012. It marked the fourth 300-yard passing total in a half in Tennessee history.
- Opened the game vs. UTC 10-of-I0 for 159 yards and two touchdowns, and led the Vols into the end zone on each of its first three drives of the game

### **NOTABLE**

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- Majoring in information sciences
- · Is of Samoan descent
- Comes from an athletic family and has seven siblings, Nicaylah, Matt, Madden, McKennah, Ninalei, Mallory and Nori
- His older brother, Matt, was one of the top high school volleyball players in the country before playing at Long Beach State
- His sister, Nicaylah, played volleyball at Cypress College
- His younger brother, Madden, is one of the top prep quarterbacks in the country for the Class of 2025
- Wears No. 8 because he is one of eight children in his family (seven siblings) and because one of his favorite players, Marcus Mariota, wore it in college
- Was widely considered one of the top high school volleyball players in the country
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Completions	28 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Attempts	38 at Kentucky, 11/2/24
Passing Yards	314 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Passings Touchdowns	3 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Long Pass	73 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Rushing Attempts	15 vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
Rushing Yards	65 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
Rushing Touchdowns	3 vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
Long Rush	31 vs. NC State, 9/7/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Passing	GP/GS	Cmp	Att	Pct	TD	Int	Yds	Per/G	Long	High Yd
2023	5/1	28	45	62.2	2	0	314	62.8	28-CONN	151-IOWA
2024	10/10	164	254	64.6	11	4	2046	204.6	73-MSU	314-UTC
Career	15/11	192	299	64.2	13	4	2360	157.3	73-MSU	314-UTC

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023	5/1	20	71	3.6	14.2	3	25-CONN	27-IOWA
2024	10/10	76	239	3.1	23.9	1	31-NCST	65-NCST
Career	15/11	96	310	3.2	20.7	4	31-NCST	65-NCST

# GAME-BY-GAME 2024 Opp. Comp. Att. TD. INT. Pct. Vards La. Pun Vds TD. La.

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*Chattanooga	22	28	3	0	78.6	314	59	4	6	0	5
*vs. NC State	16	23	2	2	69.6	211	45	8	65	1	31
*Kent State	10	16	1	0	62.5	173	53	5	31	0	11
*Oklahoma	13	21	1	0	61.9	194	66	8	15	0	16
*at Arkansas	17	29	0	0	58.6	158	42	11	17	0	12
*Florida	16	26	0	1	61.5	169	24	8	1	0	15
*Alabama	14	27	1	1	51.9	194	55	9	44	0	27
*Kentucky	28	38	1	0	73.7	292	31	7	14	0	8
*Miss. State	8	13	2	0	61.5	174	73	4	22	0	13
*at Georgia	20	33	0	0	60.6	167	17	12	24	0	11

2023 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
vs. Virginia	2	3	0	0	66.7	11	6	1	8	0	8
Austin Peay					DNP						
at Florida					DNP						
UTSA	0	2	0	0	0.0	0	-	1	-4	0	-4
So. Carolina					DNP						
Texas A&M					DNP						
at Alabama					DNP						
at Kentucky					DNP						
UConn	5	9	1	0	55.6	86	28	1	25	0	25
at Missouri					DNP						
Georgia					DNP						

Vanderbilt	9	12	0	0	75.0	66	14	2	15	0	11	
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### CAREER

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2022 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

### CARFER

- Hard-working and talented defensive end who is in his third season with the program
- Continues to make significant strides under coach Rodney Garner, who called him one of the hardest working and most improved players all spring
- Has been a consistent contributor on DL unit this season and is having the best year of his career
   Played in 17 career games

### 2024

- Had a strip sack in win over Mississippi State (11/9) that ended the Bulldogs opening drive of the second half and led to a UT field goal
- Finished with half a TFL at Arkansas (10/5)
- Made the most of five defensive snaps in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), setting career highs with 1.5 TFLs and half a sack to go along with a safety in the second quarter as part of a dominating effort by UT's defense
- Made one tackle in shutout win vs. Kent State (9/14)
- Logged 13 defensive snaps in season-opening win over Chattanooga (8/31)

### **NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sport management
- Grandfather, Willis Crenshaw, played for Kansas State in the early 1960s and went on to play in the NFL for seven seasons for the St. Louis Cardinals and Denver Broncos
- Says he models his game after former NFL star Julius Peppers because he watched him a lot growing up
- Favorite movie is "Pulp Fiction"
- Favorite food is fried fish and mac and cheese
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	2 (2x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Tackles for Loss	1.5 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Sacks	1.0 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Forced Fumbles	1 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	QBH	High Tk
2022	1/0	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-BSU
2023	6/0	3	1	4	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	1-4x
2024	10/0	2	3	5	1.5-11	3-15	1	0	0	0	2-OU
Career	17/0	6	5	11	1.5-11	4-16	1	0	0	0	2-2x

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-0-0
vs. NC State	0-0-0
Kent State	0-1-1
at Oklahoma	1-1-2, 1.5 tfl, 0.5 s
at Arkansas	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
Florida	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1ff
at Georgia	0-0-0

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other	
vs. Virginia	0-1-1	
Austin Peay,	1-0-1, 1 tfl	
at Florida	DNP	
UTSA	1-0-1	
South Carolina	DNP	
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2022 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	1-1-2



# LARRY JOHNSON III

OL • 6-7 • 348 • R-So. Savannah, Ga.

### CAREER

- Towering offensive lineman with impressive size who joined the Vols as a junior college transfer from Hutchinson (Kan.) Community College and owns three years of remaining eligibility
- Played in four games and earned a redshirt during his first season at Tennessee in 2023
- Arrived on Rocky Top in Dec. 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices and then spring practice
- Played in 13 career games

### 2024

- Saw the most extensive action of his UT career in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21) after being forced into action due to injuries along the offensive line
- Played 41 clean snaps at LT against the Sooners and was UT's highest-graded lineman according to PFF. com after not allowing any pressures
- Did not allow any pressures in 31 offensive snaps vs. Kent State (9/14), helping UT set a program record with 740 total yards, including 456 rushing yards, and a modern-era record for total points with 71
- Played six offensive snaps at LT and nine special teams snaps in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Logged 32 snaps at LT in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31) as UT racked up 718 total yards of offense, which was tied for the second most in program history

### NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- Nickname is "Big Larry"
- A top-10 overall junior college prospect and the No.
   2 JUCO offensive tackle according to the 247Sports Composite rankings
- Named to the All-KJCCC first team as a freshman and helped lead the Blue Dragons to an undefeated regular season and a berth to the 2021 NJCAA National Championship game
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### CAREER STATS

**Games Played/Started:** 2024: 9/0; 2023: 4/0 Career: 13/0



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### **CAREER HONORS**

• SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/23/24)

### CAREER

- •Third-year defensive pass rusher who possesses great length and quickness
- Started the 2024 season strong as one of the Vols' most prominent LEO edge rushers
- Recorded 62 tackles, 13 TFLs and five sacks, 15 QB hurries, three forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries and five pass breakups in his career

• Played in 34 career games and made five starts

### 2024

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- Is Tennessee's highest graded defensive player (89.9), the sixth highest-graded defensive player in the SEC and 18th-highest in the FBS according to PFF.com
- Posted three tackles and a PBU at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Started at LEO and had two QB hurries in win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Had four tackles, a QB hurry and a massive strip sack to force a turnover and setup a go-ahead touchdown for the Vols in the third quarter of their win over Kentucky (11/2)
- Started at defensive end and played a season-high 40 snaps in win over #7 Alabama (10/19), posting three tackles, including half a TFL and a career-best three QB hurries
- Was a force in win over Florida (10/12), setting career highs in tackles (7), TFLs (1/5) and pass breakups (1) while also recording a QB hurry
- Played 38 snaps and finished with four tackles and half a TFL at Arkansas (10/5)
- Was extremely disruptive in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), posting three tackles, a TFL, two forced fumbles and a fumble recovery in a dominant defensive effort
- Forced and recovered a fumble to stifle a potential Sooners' scoring drive inside UT's 10-yard line at the beginning of the second quarter
- Made his first-career start in blowout win vs. #24 NC State (9/7), posting two tackles and a TFL on 18 defensive snaps
- Played 15 snaps and posted three tackles, half a TFL and made his first-career fumble recovery, which led to a first-quarter touchdown in UT's season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

### **NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
- Models his game after T.J. Watt
- Favorite movie is Kung Fu Panda
- Favorite artist is YoungBoy Never Broke Again
- Would most like to visit Greece
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	7 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Tackles for Loss	1.5 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Sacks	1.0 (5x), last vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
QB Hurries	3 vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
Forced Fumbles	2 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Fumble Recoveries	1 (2x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Passes Defended	1 (5x), last at Georgia, 11/16/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2022	12/0	6	6	12	1-7	2.5-9	0	0	5	2	3-2x
2023	12/0	11	9	20	3-18	4.5-24	0	0	3	1	5-MIZ
2024	10/5	14	16	30	1-7	6-92	3	2	7	2	7-UF
Career	34/5	31	31	62	5-32	13-52	3	2	15	5	7-UF

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

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2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other					
Chattanooga	2-1-3, 0.5 tfl, 1 fr					
*vs. NC State	2-0-2, 1 tfl					
Kent State	0-1-1					
at Oklahoma	3-0-3, 1 tfl, 2 ff, 1 fr					
at Arkansas	1-3-4, 0.5 tfl					
*Florida	2-5-7, 1.5 tfl, 1 qbh, 1 pd					
*Alabama	0-3-3, 0.5 tfl, 3 qbh					
*Kentucky	2-2-4, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh, 1 ff					
*Mississippi State	0-0-0, 2 qbh					
at Georgia	2-1-3, 1 pd					

U-A-T, Other
1-1-2
1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s
DNP
0-1-1
1-0-1, 1 s, 1 tfl, 1 qbh
1-0-1
2-0-2, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 pd

at Kentucky	0-0-0
UConn	0-0-0, 1 qbh
at Missouri	4-1-5, 1 tfl
Georgia	0-1-1
Vanderbilt	0-4-4, 0.5 tfl, 1 qbh
vs. Iowa	1-1-2

2022 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl, 1 pd
at Pitt	DNP
Akron	3-0-3, 1 tfl
Florida	0-1-1, 2 qbh
at LSU	1-1-2, 1 s, 1 tfl
Alabama	0-0-0
UT Martin	0-1-1, 1 qbh, 1 pd
Kentucky	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0
Missouri	0-0-0, 1 qbh
at South Carolina	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0, 1 qbh
vs. Clemson	2-1-3

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# ANDREJ KARIC

OL • 6-6 • 314 • Sr. Southlake, Texas

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Name is pronounced awn-DRAY KAHR-ich

### CAREER

- Athletic, nimble offensive lineman who arrived at Tennessee with three years of experience at the Power Five level at Texas
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2023 and earned a starting spot at guard in his first season
- Saw action on 540 offensive snaps at Texas and 822 at Tennessee
- Originally signed with the Longhorns for the Class of 2020 as a four-star prospect
- Has one year of eligibility remaining
- Played in 41 career games with 19 starts (26/5 at Texas, 15/14 at UT)
- Of his 19 starts, 14 have come at left guard, three at jumbo tight end, one at left tackle and one at right tackle

- Tennessee's starting left guard in all 10 games this season and according to PFF College, has allowed two sacks in 575 offensive snaps
- Played all 72 offensive snaps at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Limited to 21 offensive snaps vs. Mississippi State (11/9) but was effective and did not allow a pressure in his 40th career appearance
- Blocked for 71 snaps at left guard vs. Kentucky (11/2) and did not allow a pressure as Tennessee totaled 477 yards of offense in the victory
- Started at LG vs. #7 Alabama (10/19) and paved the way for 214 rushing yards and 408 yards of total offense, seeing action on all 71 offensive snaps
- Played all 69 offensive snaps at left guard vs. Florida (10/12) and did not allow a pressure or commit a penalty in the overtime victory
- Saw action at LG on all 64 offensive plays and earned the highest blocking grade (73.8) on the team according to PFF College at Arkansas (10/5)
- Played all 73 snaps at LG in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21) and did not allow a pressure
- Started at LG vs. Kent State (9/14) and saw action on 12 offensive snaps, helping UT post a recordsetting 37 first-quarter points
- Made second-straight start at LG vs. #24 NC State (9/7), played 63 snaps without allowing a pressure and paved the way for 249 rushing yards and 460 yards of total offense
- Started the season opener at LG vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and played 43 clean snaps, helping the Vols pile up 718 total yards of offense, which is tied for the third most in program history

### **NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
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### **CAREER STATS**

**Games Played/Started:** 2024: 10/10; 2023: 5/4; 2022: 12/3;

2021: 11/1; 2020: 3/1

Career: 41/19; Texas: 26/5; Tennessee: 15/14



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### **CAREER HONORS**

· 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

### **CAREER**

- Veteran SEC tight end who came to Tennessee after spending the 2022-23 seasons at Alabama
- Went through spring practice with UT and possesses outstanding blocking and pass catching ability

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  Originally signed with Aleks or of the painting and pass.
- Originally signed with Alabama after playing one season at Hutchinson (Kan.) Community College
- Played in 29 games at the FBS level with 10 starts (10/10 at UT) and owns 19 career catches for 247 yards and three receiving touchdowns

### 2024

- UT's starting tight end in all 10 games this season who leads the unit with 229 receiving yards, three receiving TDs and one rushing score
- Capped Tennessee's opening drive at #12 Georgia (11/16) with his first-career rushing touchdown while also pulling in four catches for a team-high 46 yards against the Bulldogs
- Posted one catch for eight yards in win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Produced the best outing of his FBS career against Kentucky (11/2), finishing with a game- and careerhigh six receptions for 97 yards, including a 6-yard touchdown that ended up being the game-winning score against the Wildcats
- His 97 receiving yards in the win over the Wildcats were the most by a Tennessee tight end in a single game since Mychal Rivera had 129 vs. Missouri on Nov. 10, 2012
- Started and played 53 offensive snaps against his former team as Tennessee defeated #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Pulled in two receptions for 24 yards at Arkansas (10/5), including a season-long 17-yard catch in the second quarter
- Made fourth-straight start at TE in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), seeing action on 58 snaps
- Started at TE and hauled in a touchdown for the second week in a row on a 15-yard strike from Gaston Moore in victory over Kent State (9/14)
- Was the highest graded tight end in the country for Week 2 (94.0) according to PFF College in the win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made second straight start at tight end and caught three passes for 39 yards vs. #24 NC State (9/7), including an 15-yard touchdown grab in the third quarter for his first trip to the end zone as a Vol
- Started at TE and played 26 offensive snaps in his Tennessee debut vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

### NOTABLE

- · Majoring in marketing
- · Enjoys fishing and is a scratch golfer
- · Says his father has been his biggest influence
- Models his game after Rob Gronkowski
- Favorite movie is Step Brothers
- Favorite TV show is Breaking Bad
- · Superstition before every game is eating a Snickers
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Receptions	6 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Receiving Yards	97 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
<b>Receiving Touchdowns</b>	1 (3x), last vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Long Reception	31 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Rushing Attempts	1 at Georgia, 11/16/24
Rushing Yards	1 at Georgia, 11/16/24
Rushing Touchdowns	1 at Georgia, 11/16/24
Long Rush	1 at Georgia, 11/16/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
*2022	6/0	2	18	9.0	3.0	0	13-UST	18-UST
*2023	13/0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0		
2024	10/10	17	229	13.5	22.9	3	31-UK	97-UK
at ALA	19/0	2	18	9.0	0.9	0	13-UST	18-UST
at UT	10/10	17	229	13.5	22.9	3	31-UK	97-UK
Career	29/10	19	247	13.0	8.5	3	31-UK	97-UK
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### **GAME-BY-GAME**

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2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg						
*Chattanooga	0-0-0						
*vs. NC State	3-39-1, 16						
*Kent State	1-15-1, 15						
*at Oklahoma	0-0-0						
*at Arkansas	2-24-0, 17						
*Florida	0-0-0						
*Alabama	0-0-0						
*Kentucky	6-97-1, 31						
*Mississippi State	1-8-0, 8						
*at Georgia	4-46-0, 13 (1-yd rush TD)						

Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
0-0-0
0-0-0
0-0-0
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DNP
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2022 Орр.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Utah State	2-18-0, 13
at Texas	0-0-0
ULM	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-0-0
at Arkansas	DNP
Texas A&M	DNP
at Tennessee	DNP
Mississippi State	DNP
at LSU	DNP
at Ole Miss	DNP
Austin Peay	0-0-0
Auburn	DNP
vs. Kansas State	0-0-0

\* - denotes started

JACKSON LAMPLEY



OL • 6-4 • 325 • R-Sr. Nashville, Tenn.

### **CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2021 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2020 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2019-20 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

### CAREER

- A constant contributor on the interior offensive line who continued a family legacy of Tennessee Vols
- In his sixth and final season with the program
- Four-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll who graduated in December 2023

- Sees time at guard and on field goal and PAT units
- According to PFF College, has allowed only one sack in his career on 599 offensive snaps
- Played in 49 career games with two starts

### 2024

- Played a season-high 66 offensive snaps in win over Mississippi State (11/9), did not allow a pressure and helped pave the way for 240 rushing yards
- Blocked for 19 offensive snaps in win over Kentucky (11/2) and did not allow a pressure
- Played 10 offensive snaps at right guard in win vs. Florida (10/12)
- Blocked for the PAT and FG units in back-to-back SEC road trips to Oklahoma (9/21) and Arkansas (10/5)
- Saw action on 33 offensive snaps in a dominant win over Kent State (9/14), helping the Vols pile up 71 points and 740 yards of total offense - both setting school records
- Played 11 snaps at RG vs. #24 NC State (9/7) and did not allow a sack or pressure
- Made his 40th career appearance, saw action on 44 offensive snaps vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and did not allow a pressure as the Vols racked up 718 yards of total offense in their season opener

### **NOTABLE**

- Earned his bachelor's degree in management from the Haslam College of Business in December 2023
- Currently working on a master's degree in recreation and sport management
- Father, Brad, played offensive line for the Vols during the Peyton Manning era and was a threetime member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll
- Wore the No. 50 his first four years at UT in honor of his grandfather, Dennis, who is a member of the Kentucky Sports Hall of Fame
- Dennis coached for 47 years at Trinity High School in Louisville and still holds the Kentucky state record for consecutive wins with 50
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 83

### CAREER STATS

**Games Played/Started:** 2024: 10/0; 2023: 13/2; 2022: 12/0; 2021: 12/0; 2020: 0/0; 2019: 2/0

Career: 49/2



## PEYTON LEWIS

RB • 6-1 • 210 • Fr. Salem, Va. 27

### CAREER

- Electrifying freshman running back with elite track speed and a strong frame
- Signed with the Vols as a four-star prospect and top-15 running back in the country by all major recruiting services
- Began his Tennessee career as a special teams contributor before earning a spot in the rotation at running back
- Played in 10 career games

- Handled six carries for 30 yards and hauled in his first-career reception for seven yards at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Toted a career-high 14 carries for 44 yards in the win over Mississippi State (11/9) and handled one kickoff return for 31 yards
- Scored his first-career rushing touchdown during the win over Kentucky (11/2), finishing with eight carries for 24 yards and saw action as Tennessee's kickoff return specialist, as well
- Carried the ball 10 times for 99 yards in Tennessee's rout of Kent State (9/14)
- Made his collegiate debut in the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31), rushing four times for 14 yards

### **NOTABLE**

- Majoring in kinesiology
- · Favorite movie is Friday
- · Favorite TV show is Stranger Things
- · Plays the guitar
- Models his game after Earl Campbell
- Competed in track & field in high school and was a five-time state champion
- X: @peytonlew2 | IG: @p.leww
- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 86

### **CAREER HIGHS**

Rushes	14 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Rushing Yards	99 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Rushing Touchdowns	1 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Long Rush	35 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Receptions	1 at Georgia, 11/16/24
Receiving Yards	7 at Georgia, 11/16/24
Long Reception	7 at Georgia, 11/16/24
Kickoff Returns	1 (3x), last at Georgia, 11/16/24
Kickoff Return Yards	31 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Long Kickoff Return	31 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2024	10/0	45	216	4.8	21.6	1	35-KSU	99-KSU
Career	10/0	45	216	4.8	21.6	1	35-KSU	99-KSU

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	KR-Yds-TD, Lg						
Chattanooga	4-14-0, 7	0-0-0						
vs. NC State	3-5-0, 3	0-0-0						
Kent State	10-99-0, 35	0-0-0						
at Oklahoma	0-0-0	0-0-0						
at Arkansas	0-0-0	0-0-0						
Florida	0-0-0	0-0-0						
Alabama	0-0-0	0-0-0						
Kentucky	8-24-1, 5	1-21-0, 21						
Mississippi State	14-44-0, 11	1-31-0, 31						
at Georgia	6-30-0, 16	1-13-0, 13						



### 10 MIKE **MATTHEWS** WR • 6-1 • 197 • Fr. Lilburn, Ga.

### CARFER

- · Signed with the Vols as one of the nation's top wide receiver prospects
- Showcases elite ball skills and athleticism and can make an impact in the return game, as well
- Enrolled at Tennessee in Jan. 2024 and participated in Citrus Bowl practices and spring ball
- Played in eight career games

### 2024

- · Has seen action in eight games in the wide receiver rotation this season
- Made one catch in win over Kentucky (11/2)
- In his collegiate debut vs. Kent State (9/14), hauled in two catches for 35 yards and his first touchdown

### **NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sport management
- Models his game after Justin Jefferson
- · Says LeBron James is his biggest sports influence because he took this generation to another level along with his attitude toward the game
- Favorite TV show is Stranger Things
- Favorite food is pasta
- · Favorite musical artists include Young Thug, Hunxho, Gunna and Lil Baby
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 88

### **CAREER HIGHS**

Receptions	2 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Receiving Yards	35 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Receiving TDs	1 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Long Reception	18 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Kickoff Returns	1 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

**Kickoff Return Yards** 32 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 Long Kickoff Return 32 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

### **CAREER STATS**

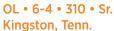
Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2024	8/0	3	35	11.7	4.4	1	18-KSU	35-KSU
Career	8/0	3	35	11.7	4.4	1	18-KSU	35-KSU

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

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2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	KR-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	DNP - Injury	
vs. NC State	DNP - Injury	
Kent State	2-35-1, 18	1-32-0, 32
at Oklahoma	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0	0-0-0
Florida	0-0-0	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0	0-0-0
Kentucky	1-0-0, 0	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0	0-0-0



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### CAREER HONORS

- Outland Trophy Player of the Week (vs. Mississippi State, 11/12/24)
- · SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (vs. Alabama, 10/21/24; vs. NC State, 9/9/24)
- 2024 Rimington Trophy Watch List
- 2024 Outland Trophy Watch List
- 2024 Preseason All-American First Team (Walter Camp)
- 2024 Preseason All-American Second Team (AP, ESPN, Phil Steele)
- 2024 Preseason All-SEC First Team (Coaches, Media)
- 2024 Preseason All-SEC Second Team (Athlon, Phil Steele)
- 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- 2025 Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 All-SEC Second Team (AP, Phil Steele)
- 2022 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll · SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week
- (vs. Missouri, 11/14/22)
- 2021 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

### CAREER

- · Local All-SEC performer and preseason All-American who serves as Tennessee's starting center and continues a family legacy of Vols
- In his fifth and final year with the program and serves as the Vols' starting center for the fourth consecutive season
- · A Rimington and Outland Trophy candidate who is one of the nation's best centers
- · Leader of an offensive line that was a semifinalist for the Joe Moore Award in 2022 and 2023
- · Lined up alongside his brother, Cade, on the offensive line for two seasons, while his father, Kevin, was an All-SEC guard in the 90s
- · A three-time SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient, member of the team's leadership council and a leader on and off the field
- Wears the SEC graduate patch this season after earning his degree in May 2024
- · Seen action on 2,764 career offensive snaps, allowing only four sacks
- · Played in 50 games with 42 starts, all at center
- Has not allowed a sack in 24 straight appearances, a streak that dates back to the 2022 season

- Tennessee's starting center in all 10 games this season who has not given up a sack or QB hit in 689 offensive snaps according to PFF.com
- His 98.8 pass blocking efficiency rating according to PFF ranks second in the SEC and 14th in the FBS among centers (min. 350 pass blocking snaps)

- Made his 50th career appearance and saw action on all 72 offensive snaps at #12 Georgia (11/16), did not allow a sack or QB hit
- Played all 78 offensive snaps as UT rolled up 452 total yards, including 240 on the ground, in the win over Mississippi State (11/9) and did not allow a pressure
- Made his 40th career start in the win over Kentucky (11/2) and saw action on all 82 offensive plays while not allowing a sack or QB hit
- Earned SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week honors after his performance vs. #7 Alabama (10/19), paving the way for a Tennessee offense that put up 408 total yards and 214 rushing yards
- Against Alabama, was the highest graded blocker in the game on both sides at 82.9 according to PFF
- Registered 69 offensive snaps at center vs. Florida (10/12) and did not allow a sack or QB hit
- PFF recognized his effort against the Gators as the highest graded center in Week 7 (75.8)
- Started at center and did not give up a pressure in all 64 offensive plays at Arkansas (10/5)
- Played all 73 snaps at center in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21) and did not allow a pressure for the third time this season
- Started at center vs. Kent State (9/14) and did not allow a pressure in 39 offensive snaps as Tennessee set modern-era school records for points (71) and total offense (740)
- In his 11th consecutive game starting at center, saw action on 63 snaps and did not allow a sack vs. #24 NC State (9/7) – paving the way for 249 rushing yards and 460 yards of total offense ... Was named SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week for the second time in his career for his efforts
- Started the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and played 54 snaps at center without allowing a pressure, helping the Vols compile 718 total yards of offense, which was tied for the second most in program history

### NOTABLE

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- Earned his undergraduate degree in sport management in May 2024
- Played alongside his brother, Cade, for two seasons from 2020-21, before Cade was drafted by the Carolina Panthers in the sixth round (pick 199) of the 2022 NFL Draft
- Father, Kevin, lettered for the Vols from 1991-94 and was a team captain and All-SEC guard in 1994
- Started playing football in third grade
- An avid outdoorsman
- Dream vacation says is to Santorini, Greece
- Twitter: @CooperMays | IG: @coop.mays
- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 89

### **CAREER STATS**

Games Played/Started: 2024: 10/10; 2023: 9/9; 2022: 13/13; 2021: 8/8; 2020: 10/2

Career: 50/42



**BRU McCOY** 



WR • 6-3 • 230 • R-Sr. Rolling Hills Estates, Calif.

### **CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 Witten Collegiate Man of the Year Semifinalist
- 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- 2025 Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List

### CAREER

- A physical, big-target wide receiver who transferred from Southern Cal to Tennessee and made an immediate impact in the Vols' record-setting offense
- In his third season with the Vols and sixth at the collegiate level
- Returned from a fracture-dislocation of his right ankle that he sustained on Sept. 30, 2023
- Member of the team's leadership council, a team captain and a leader in the community



- Continued the pipeline of transfers from USC to Tennessee which included his former teammates Velus Jones Jr. and Chase McGrath
- Originally enrolled at Southern Cal before spending the spring of 2018 at Texas and then returning to USC for three seasons
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2022
- Entered the collegiate ranks after a five-star, All-American prep career at powerhouse Mater Dei in California
- For his career, logged 121 catches for 1,515 yards and seven touchdowns
- Caught 21 passes for 236 yards and two touchdowns in six games played at USC
- At UT, hauled in 100 catches for 1,279 yards and five touchdowns
- Owns three 100-yard receiving games, all as a Vol
- Has played in 33 career games (6 at USC, 27 at UT) with 30 starts (3 at USC, 27 at UT)

### 2024

- Started all 10 games at WR this season and is tied for the team lead with 31 receptions
- Made his 100th reception as a Vol and finished the game at #12 Georgia (11/16) with four catches for 38 yards
- Logged five catches for 56 yards in the victory over Kentucky (11/2)
- Led the UT receiving corps with a season-high six catches for 80 yards in win over #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Held without a catch for the first time in his career in UT's overtime win over Florida (10/12) but had one rush for six yards in the first quarter
- Held without a catch for the first time in his career in UT's overtime win over Florida (10/12) but had one rush for six yards in the first guarter
- Logged a season-high 92 receiving yards on four catches in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), including a diving 42-yard grab in the third quarter
- Started and pulled in one reception each in victories over Kent State (9/14) and NC State (9/7)
- Made triumphant return to Neyland Stadium with a team-high six receptions for 89 yards in the season opening win over Chattanooga (8/31)

### NOTABLE

- Earned his undergraduate degree in communication studies in August 2024
- His father, Horace McCoy II, was a tight end at Northern Illinois (1994) and his mother, Shelby, was a record-setting four-time (1991-94) All-Conference setter for Northern Illinois volleyball
- Is helping to make sudden cardiac arrest prevention, awareness and treatment a priority this season as he co-created Huddle for Hearts. Through Huddle For Hearts, his work provides AEDs (Automated External Defibrillators) to youth sports organizations
  – focusing primarily on underserved communities
- Held a CPR training and demo seminar in the Knoxville community and also donated two AED machines to inner-city youth
- Hosted a charity golf tournament in Knoxville in July 2024 to benefit Huddle For Hearts
- Has an NIL deal in place this season where for every touchdown he catches, an AED will be donated to the community
- Was USC teammates with VFL and Chicago Bears WR Velus Jones Jr. and former UT placekicker Chase McGrath
- For 2024, made the switch to No. 5, which was his high school number and the number of Reggie Bush, who was one of his favorite players
- Dedicated his 2024 season to his late grandfather, Tom Snyder, who passed away on Dec. 1, 2023
- His grandfather was a former Pepperdine Hall of Fame baseball player
- Is this season's "cookie monster," continuing an NIL tradition established by VFL and current New Orleans Saint Alontae Taylor that grants fans in Knoxville two cookies from Moonshine Mountain Cookies if he catches one TD pass in a game
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Receptions	9 vs. Missouri, 11/12/22
Receiving Yards	140 at LSU, 10/8/22
Receiving TDs	1 (7x), last at Florida, 9/16/23
Long Reception	70 vs. Florida, 9/24/22
Rushing Attempts	1 (4x), last vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Rushing Yards	9 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Long Rush	9 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
*2019			DN	IP - Re	edshirte	d		
*2020	6/3	21	236	11.2	39.3	2	28-ORE	76-ORE
*2021				DNP				
2022	12/12	52	667	12.8	55.6	4	70-UF	140-LSU
2023	5/5	17	217	12.8	43.4	1	55-UF	94-UF
2024	10/10	31	395	12.7	39.5	0	42-OU	92-OU
at USC	6/3	21	236	11.2	39.3	2	28-ORE	76-ORE
at UT	27/27	100	1279	12.8	47.4	5	70-UF	140-LSU
Career	33/30	121	1515	12.5	45.9	7	70-UF	140-LSU
* - at South	nern Cal							

### GAME-BY-GAME

2024 Орр.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg
*Chattanooga	6-89-0, 37	1-9-0, 9
*vs. NC State	1-10-0, 10	0-0-0
*Kent State	1-9-0, 9	0-0-0
*at Oklahoma	4-92-0, 42	0-0-0
*at Arkansas	2-9-0, 5	0-0-0
*Florida	0-0-0	1-6-0, 6
*Alabama	6-80-0, 23	0-0-0
*Kentucky	5-56-0, 23	0-0-0
*Mississippi State	2-12-0, 8	0-0-0
*at Georgia	4-38-0, 14	0-0-0

2023 Орр.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg						
*vs. Virginia	2-21-0, 14	0-0-0						
*Austin Peay	5-51-0, 20	0-0-0						
*at Florida	5-94-1, 55	1-2-0, 2						
*UTSA	3-30-0, 13	0-0-0						
*South Carolina	2-21-0, 17	0-0-0						
Missed remain	Missed remainder of season due to injury							

2022 Орр.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg
*Ball State	3-42-0, 20	0-0-0
*at Pitt	4-58-1, 32	0-0-0
*Akronv	1-9-0, 9	0-0-0
*Florida	5-102-1, 70	0-0-0
*at LSU	7-140-0, 48	1-3-0, 3
*Alabama	2-38-0, 27	0-0-0
*UT Martin	2-8-0, 5	0-0-0
*Kentucky	6-54-0, 16	0-0-0
*at Georgia	6-38-0, 11	0-0-0
*Missouri	9-111-0, 38	0-0-0
*at South Carolina	3-19-1, 8	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	DNP	
*vs. Clemson	4-48-1, 16	0-0-0

2020 Орр.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg
Arizona State	5-51-1, 26	0-0-0
at Arizona	3-25-0, 11	0-0-0
*at Utah	5-66-0, 23	0-0-0
*Washington State	1-8-0, 8	0-0-0
at UCLA	1-10-0, 10	0-0-0
*Oregon	6-76-1, 28	0-0-0

<sup>\* -</sup> denotes started

# JERMOD McCOY

DB • 6-0 • 193 • So. Whitehouse, Texas

### **CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 Jim Thorpe Award Semifinalist
- Thorpe Award National Defensive Back of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/24/24)

### **CAREER**

- Athletic, ball-hawking transfer cornerback who owns three years of remaining eligibility
- Tabbed a semifinalist for the Thorpe Award in 2024

- Played his true freshman season at Oregon State before entering the portal and has already made a significant impact in the Tennessee secondary
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2024 and went through spring practice
- Rated the No. 9 transfer cornerback and No. 82 overall transfer prospect according to 247Sports for the 2023 cycle
- Played in 22 career games (12 at OSU, 10 at UT) with 15 starts (5 at OSU, 10 at UT)

### 2024

- Started all 10 games at corner this season and leads the Vols with nine passes defended (2 INT, 7 PBU)
- According to PFF, his 82.2 coverage grade ranks third in the SEC and 15th in the FBS among cornerbacks who have played at least 300 coverage snaps
- Recorded a solo tackle and a pass breakup at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Tied for the team lead with seven tackles in the win over Mississippi State (11/9), including two solo stops
- Logged one solo tackle and a pass breakup in win vs. Kentucky (11/2)
- Had a career day in his Third Saturday In October debut vs. #7 Alabama (10/19), tallying eight tackles (five solo), half a TFL, one pass breakup and a crucial, one-handed interception in the end zone that halted a second-and-goal opportunity for the Crimson Tide in the first quarter
- Tallied three tackles, a critical fourth-down PBU in the fourth quarter and two punt returns for 34 yards in an overtime victory vs. Florida (10/12)
- Posted a season-high five tackles in 71 defensive snaps at Arkansas (10/5)
- Earned National DB of the Week honors from the Jim Thorpe Award after a sensational performance at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), registering three tackles, one PBU and his first interception as a Vol that he returned 17 vards
- Logged 48 snaps against the Sooners and did not allow a completion, recording a 0.0 passer grade
- Started at corner, logged a PBU and returned a punt 23 yards in shutout victory over Kent State (9/14)
- Posted three solo tackles in his second consecutive start at corner in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Started in his UT debut at CB, posted two tackles and had one pass breakup in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

### NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- His cousin, Travis Gibson, plays for the Jacksonville Jaguars
- Models his game after Jalen Ramsey
- Favorite movie is Friday
- Favorite sport other than football is baseball
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

8 vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
0.5 (2x), last vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
1 (4x), last vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
2 (2x), last vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
s 1 at Washington State, 9/23/23*
2 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
34 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
23 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

<sup>\* -</sup> at Oregon State

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### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PD	High Tk
*2023	12/5	16	15	31	0-0	0.5-1	0	1	2	9	6-2x
2024	10/10	18	15	33	0-0	0.5-0	0	0	2	9	8-ALA
at OSU	12/5	16	15	31	0-0	0.5-1	0	1	2	9	6-2x
at UT	10/10	18	15	33	0-0	0.5-0	0	0	2	9	8-ALA
Career	22/15	34	30	64	0-0	1-1	0	1	4	18	8-ALA
* - at Ore	eaon Sta	ite									

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GAME-DI-GAME	
2024 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	1-1-2, 1 pd
*vs. NC State	3-0-3
*Kent State	0-0-0.1 pd (23-vd. PR)

*at Oklahoma	3-0-3, 1 int, 2 pd
*at Arkansas	1-4-5
*Florida	1-2-3, 1 pd (2 PR for 34 yds.)
*Alabama	5-3-8, 0.5 tfl, 2 pd, 1 int
*Kentucky	1-0-1, 1 pd
*Mississippi State	2-5-7
*at Georgia	1-0-1, 1 pd

2023 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
at San Jose State	0-1-1, 1 pd
UC Davis	1-1-2, 1 pd
San Diego State	3-0-3
at Washington State	2-3-5, 1 qbh
Utah	0-0-0
*at California	2-4-6, 1 pd, 1 int, 0.5 tfl
UCLA	0-0-0, 1 pd
*at Arizona	1-5-6
at Colorado	0-0-0, 1 pd
*Stanford	0-0-0, 2 pd, 1 int
*Washington	3-1-4, 1 pd
*at Oregon	4-0-4, 1 pd
vs. Notre Dame	DNP

<sup>\* -</sup> denotes started



# JALEN McMURRAY

DB • 6-0 • 187 • R-Jr. Upper Marlboro, Md.

### **CAREER**

- Talented transfer cornerback from Temple
- Played three seasons for the Owls, appearing in 27 games with 23 starts and was a captain
- Owns two years of remaining eligibility, including the 2024 season
- Logged 101 tackles—68 solo—with 2.5 tackles for loss, one interception, 14 pass breakups, two forced fumbles and one fumble recovery during his career
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2024 and went through spring practice
- Played in 37 career games (27 at TU, 10 at UT) with 24 starts (23 at TU, 1 at UT)

### 2024

- Logged his 100th and 101st career tackles at #12 Georgia (11/16), finishing the contest with two solo stops and a pass breakup
- Had a solo tackle and a PBU in Tennessee's win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Posted one solo tackle in 32 defensive snaps as UT defeated #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Played eight defensive snaps vs. Florida (10/12) and finished the game with two solo stops
- Registered two solo tackles at Arkansas (10/5)
- Logged one solo tackle and a PBU in his 30th career appearance in shutout win over Kent State (9/14)
- Played 18 defensive snaps in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7) and had one assisted tackle
- Earned the start at CB in his Tennessee debut in season-opening victory vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and finished the game with one solo tackle

### NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Models his game after Jaire Alexander
- Favorite food is fried rice
- Favorite movie is Avengers: Infinity War
- Favorite musical artist is J. Cole
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 94

### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	7 (3x), last at UAB, 11/18/23*
Tackles For Loss	1.0 (2x), last at USF, 11/11/23*
Interceptions	1 vs. Tulsa, 10/21/22*
Passes Defended	3 at Memphis, 10/1/22*
Forced Fumbles	1 (2x), last vs. USF, 11/5/22*
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	1 vs. USF, 11/5/22*

<sup>\* -</sup> at Temple

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PD	High Tk
*2021	4/0	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-WAG
*2022	12/12	33	16	49	0-0	1-4	2	1	1	8	7-2x
*2023	11/11	24	15	39	0-0	1.5-7	0	0	0	4	7-UAB
2024	10/1	10	1	11	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	3	2-3x
at TU	27/23	59	31	90	0-0	2.5-11	2	1	1	12	7-3x
at UT	10/1	10	1	11	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	3	2-3x
Career	37/24	69	32	101	0-0	2.5-11	2	1	1	15	7-3x
* - at Ter	nple										

### GAME-BY-GAME

GAME-DI-GAME	
2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	1-0-1
vs. NC State	0-1-1
Kent State	1-0-1, 1 pd
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	2-0-2
Florida	2-0-2
Alabama	1-0-1
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	1-0-1, 1 pd
at Georgia	2-0-2, 1 pd

2023 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
*Akron	3-1-4
*at Rutgers	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl, 2 pd
*Norfolk State	2-2-4
Miami	DNP
*at Tulsa	3-1-4
*UTSA	2-1-3
*at North Texas	3-1-4, 1 pd
*SMU	2-2-4
*Navy	1-0-1
*at USF	1-1-2, 1.0 tfl
*at UAB	5-2-7
*Memphis	2-2-4, 1 pd

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*at Duke	4-3-7
*Lafayette	2-0-2, 1 pd
*Rutgers	3-4-7, 1 pd, 1 ff
*Massachusetts	3-0-3, 1 pd
*at Memphis	2-1-3, 3 pd
*at UCF	0-2-2
*Tulsa	4-2-6, 1 int
*at Navy	2-1-3
*USF	3-1-4, 1.0 tfl, 1 ff, 1 fr
*at Houston	5-0-5
*Cincinnati	4-1-5, 1 pd
*East Carolina	1-1-2

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other	
at Rutgers	0-0-0	
at Akron	0-0-0	
Wagner	2-0-2	
at Tulsa	0-0-0	

<sup>\* -</sup> denotes started

# JAKE MERKLINGER

QB • 6-3 • 215 • Fr. Savannah, Ga.

### 2024

- Serves as Tennessee's third-string quarterback and has played in two games as a true freshman
- Saw action in blowout win vs. Kent State (9/14) and completed two passes for 17 yards while adding 21 rushing yards on four carries
- Made his Tennessee debut on his 19th birthday and completed four-straight passes for 31 yards in the fourth quarter of UT's season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

### **NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sport management
- Has one brother, Ryan, who played college football at Western Illinois and Valparaiso
- Favorite hobbies include playing golf, boating and chess
- Aspires to be an athletics director
- Favorite musical artist is Chris Stapleton

- · Favorite TV show is Outer Banks
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Completions	4 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Attempts	5 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Passing Yards	31 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Long Pass	13 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Rushes	4 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Rushing Yards	21 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Long Rush	24 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Passing	GP/GS	Com	Att	Pct	TD	Int	Yds	Per/G	Long	High Yd
2024	2/0	6	6	66.7	0	0	48	24.0	13	31-UTC
Career	2/0	6	9	66.7	0	0	48	24.0	13	31-UTC

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
Chattanooga	a 4	4	0	0	100.0	31	13	3	1	0	3
vs. NC State					DNP						
Kent State	2	5	0	0	40.0	17	9	4	21	0	24
at Oklahoma	3				DNP						
at Arkansas					DNP						
Florida					DNP						
Alabama					DNP						
Kentucky					DNP						
Mississippi State DNP											
at Georgia					DNP						



### JAXSON MOI

DL • 6-2 • 307 • Jr. Oceanside, Calif.

### **CAREER HONORS**

 2024 Polynesian College Football Player of the Year Award Watch List

### CAREER

- Strong, experienced interior defensive lineman who transferred from Stanford to Tennessee
- Owns two seasons of eligibility remaining, including the 2024 season
- In two seasons with the Cardinal, played in 24 games with eight starts at defensive tackle
- Recorded 52 total tackles, nine tackles for loss, two sacks, one forced fumble and three pass breakups in his collegiate career
- Played in 34 career games (24 at Stanford, 10 at UT) with eight starts (all at Stanford)

### 2024

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- Had a solo tackle and his first-career forced fumble at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Equaled his season-high with three tackles in the win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Blocked for Tennessee's short-yardage package vs. Kentucky (11/2) and helped pave the way for Peyton Lewis' first career rushing touchdown
- Had two tackles, including one TFL in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Had two total tackles and saw action on the offensive side of the ball, blocking for UT's short-yardage package vs. Florida (10/12)
- Logged two assisted tackles at Arkansas (10/5)
- Led the team with two TFLs in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), including his first sack as a Vol for a loss of 7 yards as part of a dominant defensive showing by UT
- Logged three assisted tackles, including a half TFL, in UT's dominant defensive performance vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made his Tennessee debut on the defensive line in season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and saw action on 16 defensive snaps

### NOTABLE

- · Majoring in communication studies
- Father, Junior, played football at Southern Cal
- Family is of Samoan, Irish and Armenian descent
- Models his game after Aaron Donald

- · Favorite food is sushi
- Grew up playing baseball X: @JaxsonMoi | IG: @Jaxson\_King
- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 96

### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	4 (2x), last at California, 11/19/22*
Tackles For Loss	2.0 (2x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Sacks	1.0 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Forced Fumbles	1 at Georgia, 11/16/24
Passes Defended	1 (3x), last vs. Notre Dame, 11/25/23*
* - at Stanford	

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
*2022	12/1	8	14	22	0.5-0	4.5-10	0	0	1	2	4-2x
*2023	12/7	3	12	15	0.5-4	1-5	0	0	2	1	3-2x
2024	10/0	6	9	15	1-7	3.5-13	1	0	0	0	3-2x
at STAN	24/8	11	26	37	1-4	5.5-15	0	0	3	3	4-3x
at UT	10/0	6	9	15	1-7	3.5-13	1	0	0	0	3-2x
Career	34/8	17	35	52	2-11	9-28	1	0	3	3	4-3x

<sup>\* -</sup> at Stanford

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-0-0
vs. NC State	0-3-3, 0.5 tfl
Kent State	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	2-0-2, 2 tfl, 1 s
at Arkansas	0-2-2
Florida	1-1-2
Alabama	2-0-2, 1 tfl
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-3-3
at Georgia	1-0-1, 1 ff

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
at Hawaii	1-0-1
at Southern Cal	1-0-1
*Sacramento State	0-1-1
Arizona	0-1-1, 1 qbh
Oregon	1-1-2
at Colorado	0-0-0
*UCLA	0-0-0
*Washington	0-0-0
*at Washington State	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s, 1 qbh
*at Oregon State	0-3-3, 0.5 tfl
*California	0-3-3
*Notre Dame	0-1-1, 1 pd

U-A-T, Other
0-0-0, 1 qbh
0-2-2
1-1-2
0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s
0-0-0
2-2-4, 1 pd
0-3-3, 1.0 tfl, 1 pd
1-0-1
1-2-3, 1.0 tfl
0-0-0
3-1-4, 2.0 tfl
0-2-2

<sup>-</sup> denotes started



# **GASTON MOORE**



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QB • 6-2 • 212 • R-Sr. Hilton Head, S.C.

### **CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2022 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

### CAREER

- · Smart transfer backup quarterback from UCF that brings experience and knowledge of the Josh Heupel system
- Served as UT's third string quarterback in 2022 and 2023 and is the backup this year
- · In his fifth collegiate season and fourth with the Vols
- Two-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll who graduated from Tennessee in May 2024

• Played in 13 career games

- · Saw the most extensive action of his career in the win over Mississippi State (11/9), playing the entire second half and completing 5-of-8 passes for 38 yards
- Came in for one play in relief of Nico lamaleava in Tennessee's win over rival #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Completed 4-of-4 passes for 94 yards, recorded the first two passing TDs of his career and logged a 15yard rush in the win over Kent State (9/14)
- · Made his 10th career appearance in Week 2 victory vs. #24 NC State (9/7), did not record any stats
- Completed 7-of-12 passes for 69 yards with one INT in the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

- Earned his undergraduate degree in supply chain management from Tennessee in May 2024
- One of several avid golfers on the team
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Completions	7 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Attempts	12 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Passing Yards	94 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Passing Touchdowns	2 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Long Pass	53 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Interceptions 1	(3x), last vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
<b>Rushes</b> 2 (2x),	ast vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Rushing Yards	15 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Long Rush	15 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Passing	GP/GS	Com	Att	Pct	TD	Int	Yds	Per/G	Long	High Yd
2020*				DN	P - I	Red	shirte	d		
2021	1/0	2	2	100	0	0	6	6.0	3-USA	6-USA
2022	3/0	4	5	80.0	0	1	30	10.0	17-BSU	17-BSU
2023	4/0	4	10	40.0	0	0	36	9.0	19-CON	36-CON
2024	5/0	16	25	64.0	2	2	201	40.2	53-KSU	94-KSU
Career	13/0	26	42	61.9	2	3	273	21.0	53-KSU	94-KSU
* at UC	F									

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
Chattanooga	7	12	0	1	58.3	69	13	0	0	0	0
vs. NC State	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kent State	4	4	2	0	100.0	94	53	1	15	0	15
at Oklahoma					DNP						
at Arkansas					DNP						
Florida					DNP						
Alabama	0	1	0	1	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kentucky					DNP						
Mississippi St	t. 5	8	0	0	62.5	38	14	2	3	0	2
at Georgia					DNP						

2023 Орр.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
vs. Virginia	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
UConn	4	7	0	0	57.1	36	19	1	-3	0	-3
Vanderbilt	0	2	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Iowa	0	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	2	7	0	4

2022 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
Ball State	1	1	0	0	100	17	17	0	0	0	0
UT Martin	2	3	0	1	66.7	9	5	0	0	0	0
at Vanderbi	lt 1	1	0	0	100	4	4	0	0	0	0
2021 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
So. Alabama	2	2	0	0	100	6	3	0	0	0	0



CHAS **NIMROD** WR • 6-3 • 202 • R-So. Bentonville, Ark.

### **CAREER HONORS**

• 2022 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

- Speedy receiver in his third year with the program
- · Saw action on special teams early in his career before developing into a consistent contributor in the rotation at receiver

- Redshirted in 2022 and has three years of eligibility remaining, including the 2024 campaign
- Played in 25 career games with six starts and owns 28 catches for 309 yards with one touchdown

- Hauled in three receptions for a career-high 45 yards in win over Kentucky (11/2)
- Reeled in one catch for 16 yards vs. Florida (10/12)
- Returned to his home state and had two receptions for 13 yards at Arkansas (10/5)
- Started in Week 3 win vs. Kent State (9/14) and pulled in two catches for 34 yards
- Played 16 offensive snaps in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and hauled in one reception for seven yards

- Majoring in hospitality and tourism management
- A consensus top-10 player in the state of Arkansas by all major recruiting services out of high school
- · Also ran track in high school and helped set a school record in the 4x100-meter relay
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Receptions	5 vs. Georgia, 11/18/23
Receiving Yards	45 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Receiving Touchdowns	1 at Kentucky, 10/28/23
Long Reception	39 at Kentucky, 10/28/23

### **CAREER STATS**

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2022	2/0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0		
2023	13/5	19	194	10.2	14.9	1	39-UK	44-UGA
2024	10/1	9	115	12.8	11.5	0	27-KSU	45-UK
Career	25/6	28	309	11.0	12.4	1	39-UK	45-UK

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	1-7-0, 7	0-0-0
vs. NC State	0-0-0	0-0-0
*Kent State	2-34-0, 27	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Arkansas	2-13-0, 11	0-0-0
Florida	1-16-0, 16	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0	0-0-0
Kentucky	3-45-0, 19	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0	0-0-0

2023 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Virginia	0-0-0	0-0-0
Austin Peay	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Florida	0-0-0	0-0-0
UTSA	0-0-0	0-0-0
South Carolina	1-10-0, 10	0-0-0
*Texas A&M	4-31-0, 11	0-0-0
*at Alabama	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Kentucky	1-39-1, 39	0-0-0
UConn	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Missouri	2-17-0, 14	0-0-0
*Georgia	5-44-0, 21	0-0-0
*Vanderbilt	4-37-0, 16	0-0-0
*vs. lowa	2-16-0, 9	0-0-0

2022 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg
UT Martin	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



### **55** OMARR **NORMAN-LOTT** DL • 6-3 • 315 • Sr. North Highlands, Calif.

### **CAREER HONORS**

2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List

- Stout defensive tackle who transferred to Tennessee from Arizona State prior to the 2023 spring semester
- Became a critical part of Tennessee's defensive interior and with two springs and a season under his belt, is a major contributor in 2024
- Played three seasons at Arizona State, seeing action in 21 games with three starts and totaling 45 tackles
- Totaled 42 tackles, 9.5 TFLs, nine sacks and one fumble recovery in two seasons with the Vols
- Played in 41 career games (21 at ASU, 20 at UT) with five starts (3 at ASU, 2 at UT)

- Collected two tackles at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Made two solo stops in win over Mississippi State (11/9), including a critical third-down sack for a 12yard loss in the fourth quarter
- · Had one assisted tackle and one QB hurry each in back-to-back wins over #7 Alabama (10/19) and Kentucky (11/2)
- Registered 1.5 sacks for a loss of 10 yards to help the Vols secure an overtime victory over Florida (10/12)
- · Played a season-high 29 defensive snaps and logged two stops at Arkansas (10/5)
- Posted one solo tackle in victorious SEC opener at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- · Logged a pair of tackles in UT's dominant defensive effort vs. #24 NC State (9/7), including a solo sack for a loss of seven yards in the first quarter
- Played 14 defensive snaps and logged three assisted tackles in UT's season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

### **NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	8 vs. Wisconsin, 12/30/21*
Tackles for Loss	2.0 at Missouri, 11/11/23
Sacks	2.0 at Missouri, 11/11/23
Passes Defended 1(2	2x), last vs. Oregon State, 11/19/22*
QB Hurries	2 at Oklahoma State, 9/10/22*
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	1 at Alabama, 10/21/23
* at Arizona State	

### CADEED STATS

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Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2020*	1/0	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-USC
2021*	11/1	16	14	30	2-12	4-21	0	0	0	0	8-WIS
2022*	9/2	8	6	14	2-12	3-13	0	0	2	2	4-OSU
2023	10/2	15	11	26	5.5-33	6-33	0	1	1	0	5-UGA
2024	10/0	7	9	16	3.5-29	3.5-29	0	0	3	0	3-UTC
at ASU	21/3	24	21	45	4-24	7-34	0	0	2	2	8-WIS
at UT	20/2	22	20	42	9-62	9.5-62	0	1	4	0	5-UGA
Career	41/5	46	41	87	13-86	16.5-96	0	1	6	2	8-WIS

<sup>\*</sup> at Arizona State

vs. Virginia

\*Austin Peay

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-3-3
vs. NC State	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 s
Kent State	0-0-0, 1 qbh
at Oklahoma	1-0-1
at Arkansas	1-1-2
Florida	1-1-2, 1.5 tfl, 1.5 s
Alabama	0-1-1, 1 qbh
Kentucky	0-1-1, 1 qbh
Mississippi State	2-0-2, 1 tfl, 1 s
at Georgia	1-1-2
2023 Opp.	U-A-T. Other

2-2-4

*at Florida	3-0-3
UTSA	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s
South Carolina	2-2-4, 0.5 s, 0.5 tfl
Texas A&M	DNP - Injury
at Alabama	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 fr
at Kentucky	1-1-2, 1.5 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh
UConn	0-0-0
at Missouri	3-0-3, 2 tfl, 2 s
Georgia	1-4-5
Vanderbilt	DNP - Injury
vs. lowa	DNP - Injury

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Northern Arizona	0-1-1, 1 pd
*at Oklahoma State	2-2-4, 2 qbh
Eastern Michigan	0-0-0
at Stanford	1-0-1
at Colorado	3-0-3, 1.0 tfl
UCLA	0-1-1
at Washington State	0-2-2, 1.0 tfl, 1.0 s
Oregon State	2-0-2, 1.0 tfl, 1.0 s, 1 pd
at Arizona	0-0-0

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Southern Utah	2-0-2
at BYU	3-1-4, 1.0 tfl, 1.0 s
Colorado	1-1-2,
at UCLA	2-3-5, 0.5 tfl
Stanford	2-1-3, 1.5 tfl, 1.0 s
at Utah	1-1-2
Washington State	0-0-0
Southern Cal	1-0-1
*at Washington	1-1-2
at Oregon State	0-1-1
vs. Wisconsin	3-5-8, 1.0 tfl

2020 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
at Southern Cal	0-1-1

<sup>\* -</sup> denotes started



## **JAMES** PEARCE JR. DL • 6-5 • 243 • Jr.

Charlotte, N.C.

### CARFER HONORS

- 2024 Bednarik Award Semifinalist
- 2024 Lombardi Award Semifinalist
- 2024 Walter Camp Player of the Year Semifinalist • 2024 Nagurski Trophy Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Defensive Player of the Week (vs. Florida, 10/14/24)
- · SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week (vs. Florida, 10/14/24; vs. Texas A&M, 10/16/23; vs. South Carolina, 10/2/23)
- · 2024 Preseason All-American First Team (AP, The Athletic, Athlon, ESPN, Phil Steele, Walter Camp)
- · 2024 Preseason All-SEC First Team (Athlon, Coaches, Media, Phil Steele)
- 2024 ESPN.com College Football Top 100 Player (No. 1)
- 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- 2023 All-SEC First Team (AP, Coaches)

### CAREER

- · The top returning edge rusher in the SEC and one of the best defenders in the nation who is in his third season with the program
- · Long, athletic LEO with freakish explosiveness and instincts
- · Considered the No. 1 player in the country entering the 2024 season by On3 and ESPN
- Projected as a future top 10 NFL Draft pick
- Coming off a sophomore season in which he got stronger as the season went on and dominated in the 2024 Citrus Bowl
- Owns 63 tackles (38 solo), 25 tackles for a loss of 131 vards, 17.5 sacks for a loss of 113 yards, 26 QB hurries, one interception for a touchdown, two pass breakups, three forced fumbles and one fumble recovery
- According to PFF, has generated 103 QB pressures in three seasons at Tennessee

- Is the SEC's returning statistical leader in both tackles for loss and sacks
- · Played in 36 career games with nine starts

### 2024

- UT's starting LEO in six of 10 games this season who leads the team with 45 total pressures according to
- · His 45 total pressures lead the SEC and rank third among edge rushers in the Power 4 conferences
- Credited with 8.5 TFLs and 5.5 sacks so far in 2024, which leads the Tennessee defense
- · Has seen his production increase during SEC play, registering at least a half-TFL in each of his last seven games played
- Started at LEO and had three solo tackles with one TFL at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- · Notched four total tackles, including a solo sack for a loss of four yards in the fourth quarter, in UT's victory over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Posted a monster solo sack for a 9-yard loss in win over Kentucky (11/2) and added a QB hurry to his season tally
- Effective in the pass rush in victory over rival #7 Alabama (10/19), logging three tackles, 1.5 sacks and three QB hurries against the Tide
- · Logged seven tackles with one TFL and a half-sack in addition to a pivotal forced fumble and recovery at the goal line in overtime win vs. Florida (10/12)
- · Impacted the game with a career-high nine tackles, two TFLs, one sack and one pass breakup at Arkansas (10/5)
- Posted two total tackles, including a half-sack for a loss of eight yards in the win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Led the Vols with three QB hurries in a dominant 71-0 victory over Kent State (9/14)
- Earned the start at SAM linebacker and posted a halftackle for loss in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7) along with two quarterback hurries
- · Started at LEO in the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and played 10 defensive snaps

### **NOTABLE**

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- Majoring in sociology
- · Arrived on Rocky Top as a five-star recruit out of Charlotte in June 2022
- · Helped lead his high school to four-straight state championship games, including back-to-back titles in 2019 and 2020
- X: @JamesPearceJr10 | IG: @tenn.jamess
- >> Full profile on Record Book Pages 101-102

### **CAREER HIGHS**

<u>Tackles</u>	9 at Arkansas, 10/5/24
Tackles for Loss	2.0 (5x), last at Arkansas, 10/5/24
Sacks 2.0 (2)	(), last vs. South Carolina, 9/30/23
QB Hurries	5 vs. Texas A&M, 10/14/23
Forced Fumbles	1 (3x), last vs. Florida, 10/12/24
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	1 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Interceptions	1 vs. lowa, 1/1/24
Passes Defended	1 (3x), last at Arkansas, 10/5/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2022	13/0	3	2	5	2-16	2-16	0	0	1	0	2-AKR
2023	13/3	18	10	28	10-59	14.5-71	2	0	16	2	4-IOWA
2024	10/6	17	13	30	5.5-38	8.5-44	1	1	9	1	9-ARK
Career	36/9	38	25	63	17.5-113	25-131	3	1	26	3	9-ARK

U-A-T, Other
0-0-0
0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 2 qbh
0-0-0, 3 qbh
1-1-2, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s
5-4-9, 2.0 tfl, 1 s, 1 pd
3-4-7, 1 tfl, 0.5 s, 1 ff, 1 fr
2-1-3, 1.5 tfl, 1.5 s, 3 qbh
1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh
2-2-4, 1 tfl, 1 s
3-0-3, 1 tfl

2023 Орр.	U-A-T, Other	
vs. Virginia	2-1-3, 2 tfl, 2 s, 2 qbh	

1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh
3-0-3, 2 tfl
0-0-0, 1 qbh
1-2-3, 2 tfl, 2 s, 2 qbh
3-0-3, 2 tfl, 1 s, 5 qbh
1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff
0-1-1, 2 qbh, 1 pd
0-0-0
1-1-2, 1.5 tfl, 1 s
1-2-3
2-1-3, 1.5 tfl, 0.5 s, 2 qbh
3-1-4, 1.5 tfl, 1.5 s, 1 ff, 1 int, 1 qbh

U-A-T, Other
0-0-0
1-0-1
1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 s
0-0-0
0-0-0
0-0-0
0-1-1, 1 qbh
0-0-0
0-0-0
1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s
0-0-0
0-0-0
0-0-0

<sup>\* -</sup> denotes started



# KALIB PERRY LB • 6-3 • 231 • Jr. Georgetown, Ky.

### **CAREER HONORS**

2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

### CAREER

- Bright, instinctive linebacker who continues to see his role grow year after year as a key member of the defensive unit
- One of UT's top special teams coverage contributors as well who has a knack for blocking punts
- Blocked two punts during his previous two seasons
- Originally enrolled at UT in June 2022
- Played in 34 career games with two starts and has registered 50 tackles, including 20 solo stops and one tackle for loss

### 2024

- Logged a pair of assisted tackles in win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Registered one solo tackle in 19 defensive snaps in win vs. Kentucky (11/2)
- Earned the starting nod at LB against #7 Alabama (10/19) and finished with a career-high tying four tackles and his first career TFL
- Made his first career start in UT's overtime win vs. Florida (10/12), logging three tackles and one forced fumble
- Registered his 40th career tackle with a solo stop at Arkansas (10/5)
- Saw action on nine defensive snaps and made one assisted tackle in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Logged three assisted tackles as part of a dominant shutout win over Kent State (9/14)
- Saw action on 23 defensive snaps in season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

### NOTABLE

- Majoring in information sciences
- Favorite hobbies include building PCs, Lego, bible study, ultimate frisbee and Spikeball
- His father, LaBreece Perry, played in the Canadian Football League
- Two-time All-Pro, five-time Pro Bowler and 2019 NFL Defensive Player of the Year Stephon Gilmore is his second cousin
- Models his game after his father
- Favorite movies are Real Steel, Unbroken and Race
- Favorite TV show is Adventure Time
- Favorite musical artist is Kodak Black

- Favorite place to take a vacation is the Outer Banks in North Carolina
- Aspires to become a mechanical engineer
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 103

### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	4 (4x), last vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
<b>Tackles For Loss</b>	1.0 vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
Forced Fumbles	1 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
QB Hurries	2 vs. Ball State, 9/1/22
Blocked Punts	1 (2x), last vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2022	12/0	7	7	14	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0	4-2x
2023	13/0	7	14	21	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	4-CONN
2024	9/2	6	9	15	0-0	1-7	1	0	0	0	4-ALA
Career	34/2	20	30	50	0-0	1-7	1	0	2	0	4-4x

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-0-0
vs. NC State	DNP - Illness
Kent State	0-3-3
at Oklahoma	0-1-1
at Arkansas	1-0-1
*Florida	2-1-3, 1 ff
*Alabama	2-2-4, 1 tfl
Kentucky	1-0-1
Mississippi State	0-2-2
at Georgia	0-0-0

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	2-0-2
Austin Peay	0-2-2
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	0-2-2
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	0-0-0
at Alabama	O-1-1
at Kentucky	1-1-2
UConn	1-3-4
at Missouri	0-1-1
Georgia	1-2-3
Vanderbilt	1-2-3, 1 blk
vs. lowa	1-0-1

2022 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	0-0-0, 2 qbh
at Pitt	0-0-0
Akron	2-0-2
Florida	0-0-0
at LSU	0-0-0
Alabama	0-1-1
UT Martin	2-2-4
Kentucky	1-3-4, 1 blk
at Georgia	0-0-0
Missouri	0-0-0
at South Carolina	2-0-2
at Vanderbilt	0-1-1
vs. Clemson	DNP

<sup>\* -</sup> denotes started

KEENAN PILI LB • 6-3 • 240

LB • 6-3 • 240 • R-Sr. Las Vegas, Nev.

Name pronounced KEE-nan PEE-lee

### **CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 NFF Campbell Trophy Semifinalist
- 2024 Polynesian College Football Player of the Year Award Watch List
- 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- 2025 Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List
- 2025 Stifflie Bowl 1000 Watch List
   2024 NFF Hampshire Honor Society
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2020 Phil Steele All-Independent Team (2nd Team)

### **CAREER**

- Outstanding graduate transfer linebacker and team captain who was in the midst of a big year before suffering a season-ending knee injury on Oct. 12 vs. Florida
- Showed his leadership and instincts when he arrived in the spring of 2023 and that continued into the fall
- Suffered a season-ending triceps injury in his first game as a Vol in 2023
- Applied for an extension of eligibility waiver for a seventh season, which was granted prior to the 2024 Citrus Bowl
- Played at BYU from 2019-22 where he was a defensive leader and a team captain
- Originally signed with the Cougars as a member of the Class of 2016 as one of the top prep players in Utah
- Graduated from BYU in December 2022 and received his master's degree from Tennessee in May 2024
- Gathered 223 total tackles 108 solo with 12.5 tackles for loss, three sacks, one forced fumble, two fumble recoveries and four pass breakups during his entire collegiate career
- UT's defensive representative for the newly adopted in-helmet communications system this season
- Played in 43 career games (36 at BYU, 7 at UT) with 31 starts (25 at BYU, 6 at UT)

### 2024

- Named team captain prior to Tennessee's win over #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Started the first five games of the season at MLB and led the team with 29 total tackles before suffering a season ending knee injury in win over Florida (10/12)
- Served as a captain for UT's overtime win vs. Florida (10/12) and posted one tackle and one QB hurry before exiting the game with an injury
- Led all players with 14 total tackles at Arkansas (10/5) which were the most by a Vol in a single game since Aaron Beasley had 14 at Pitt on Sept. 10, 2022
- Made his 30th career start in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21) and totaled five tackles, one TFL and two QB hurries in his first SEC game to help lead a dominate defensive showing by the Vols
- Started at LB and logged his 200th career tackle in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7), finishing the game with four total stops and a half TFL in the dominant defensive performance
- Made his long-awaited Neyland Stadium debut in the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and had two total tackles in his first home start for the Vols

### NOTABLE

- Earned his degree in exercise science from BYU in December 2022
- Received his master's degree in agricultural leadership, education and communication from Tennessee in May 2024
- Served a full-time mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Orlando, Florida from 2017-19 and returned to the field in the fall of 2019
- Brother, Trajan, played defensive line at BYU (2013, 2016-19)
- Father's cousin, Ifo Pili, played defensive line at BYU (1997-98, 2001-03)
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Pages 104-105

### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	17 vs. Arizona, 9/4/21
<b>Tackles for Loss</b>	2.0 at Arizona State, 9/18/21
Sacks	1.0 (3x), last at Boise State, 11/5/22
Forced Fumbles	1 at Boise State, 11/5/22
<b>Fumble Recoverie</b>	es 1 (2x), last vs. Arkansas, 10/15/22
<b>Passes Defended</b>	1 (4x), last vs. Utah Tech, 11/19/22
QB Hurries	2 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24



### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2016*				D١	NP - Re	edshirte	ed				
2019*	11/2	17	8	25	1-8	1.5-9	0	0	0	2	5- MASS
2020*	10/8	35	37	72	0-0	2-6	0	1	1	1	9-5x
2021*	3/3	14	17	31	1-12	3.5-16	0	0	1	0	17-ARIZ
2022*	12/12	29	33	62	1-10	4-15	1	1	0	1	8-LIB
2023	1/1	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	4-UVA
2024	6/5	11	18	29	0-0	1.5-4	0	0	3	0	14-ARK
at BYU	36/25	95	95	190	3-30	11-46	1	2	2	4	17-ARIZ
at UT	7/6	13	20	33	0-0	1.5-4	0	0	3	0	14-ARK
Career	43/31	108	115	223	3-30	12.5-50	1	2	5	4	17-ARIZ
* at RYLL											

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	1-1-2
*vs. NC State	1-3-4, 0.5 tfl
*Kent State	1-2-3
*at Oklahoma	4-1-5, 1 tfl, 2 qbh
*at Arkansas	4-10-14
Florida	0-1-1, 1 qbh
Will miss remaind	er of season due to injury

2023 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Virginia	2-2-4
Missed remainder of	season due to injury

U-A-T, Other
0-3-3, 0.5 tfl
3-3-6, 1.5 tfl
0-1-1
2-3-5
1-5-6
4-3-7
3-2-5, 1 fr
5-3-8
1-3-4
3-3-6, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff
5-2-7, 1 tfl, 1 pd
2-2-4

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Arizona	10-7-17, 1 tfl, 1 s
*Utah	3-4-7, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s
*Arizona State	1-6-7, 2 tfl

2020 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*at Navy	2-2-4
*Troy	6-3-9
*Louisiana Tech	5-1-6, 1 tfl
*UTSA	2-3-5
*at Houston	5-3-8, 1 tfl
at Boise State	4-5-9
*North Alabama	0-4-4
at Coastal Carolina	6-3-9
*San Diego State	5-4-9, 0.5 tfl
*vs. UCF	2-7-9

2019 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
*Utah	4-0-4
at Tennessee	0-2-2
*Southern Cal	0-0-0
at Toledo	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl
at USF	1-1-2
Boise State	3-0-3
Liberty	4-0-4, 1 tfl, 1 s
Idaho State	1-0-1
at Massachusetts	3-2-5
at San Diego State	1-1-2
at Hawaii	0-0-0

<sup>\* -</sup> denotes started



## JACKSON ROSS

P • 6-3 • 204 • R-So. Melbourne, Australia

### **CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 Ray Guy Award Watch List
- 2023 SEC All-Freshman Team
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Ray Guy Award Final Candidate List
- Ray Guy Award College Punter of the Week Ray's 8 List (at Alabama, 10/23/23)
- 2022 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

### CAREER

- Talented ambidextrous punter out of Australia in his third year with the program and second as the starting punter and holder
- Enrolled at UT in the fall of 2022 and has three years of eligibility remaining, including the 2024 season
- The Tennessee single-game punting average record holder (53.2)
- The catalyst for a Tennessee punt unit that allowed only four return yards in 2023
- Two-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll
- Has 38 career punts downed inside the 20-yard line and 16 career boots of 50-plus yards
- Played in 23 career games and averages 43.2 yards per punt

### 2024

- Had all five of his punts downed inside the 20 at #12 Georgia (11/6), logging five boots for 210 yards with a long of 53
- Punted three times against Mississippi State (11/9) for 139 yards (46.3 avg)
- Logged three punts for 119 yards (39.7 avg) against Kentucky (11/2), including one kick downed inside the 20
- Punted four times for 187 yards (46.8 avg) in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19) with two of his kicks downed inside the 20
- Booted seven punts for 319 yards (45.6 avg) with three downed inside the 20 and a long kick of 53 yards in win vs. Florida (10/12)
- Punted seven times for 299 yards (42.7 avg) with two downed inside the 20 and two boots of 50-plus yards at Arkansas (10/5)
- Had a career day at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), booming eight punts for 387 yards (48.4 avg.) which included three kicks of 50+ yards and two downed inside the 20-yard line
- Did not punt for the first time in his career in blowout win vs. Kent State (9/14)
- Had a 43-yard punt downed inside the 20 in the win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Only punted once in season opening victory vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

### NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Has the ability to kick with both feet
- Played tennis from the age of 4 to 17
- Avid coffee enthusiast
- Adopted a golden retriever named Maverick
- Loves watching any type of sports
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 107

### **CAREER HIGHS**

Punts	8 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Punting Yards	387 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Punting Average (min. 2)	53.2 at Alabama, 10/21/23
Longest Punt	71 at Alabama, 10/21/23
Punts Inside 20	5 at Georgia, 11/16/24
Punts 50+ Yards	3 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Punting	GP	No	Yds	Avg	TΒ	FC	120	50+	BIK	Long
2022			DN	P - Re	dshi	rted				
2023	13	55	2337	42.5	3	24	22	9	0	71-ALA
2024	10	39	1726	44.3	2	12	16	7	0	57-OU
Career	23	94	4063	43.2	5	36	38	16	0	71-ALA

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

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2024 Opp.	Punting
Chattanooga	1-23-23.0, Lg 23
vs. NC State	1-43-43.0, Lg 43, 1 I20
Kent State	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	8-387-48.4, Lg 57, 2 I20, 3 50+
at Arkansas	7-299-42.7, Lg 41, 2 I20, 2 50+
Florida	7-319-45.6, Lg 53, 3 I20, 1 50+
Alabama	4-187-46.8, Lg 49, 2 I20
Kentucky	3-119-39.7, Lg 45, 1 I20
Mississippi State	3-139-46.3, Lg 49
at Georgia	5-210-42.0, Lg 53, 5 I20, 1 50+

2023 Opp.	Punting
vs. Virginia	5-179-35.8, Lg 50, 1 50+
Austin Peay	4-172-43.0, Lg 49, 2 I20
at Florida	3-120-40.0, Lg 41, 2 I20
UTSA	6-266-44.3, Lg 52, 3 I20, 2 50+
South Carolina	3-147-49.0, Lg 54, 1 I20, 2 50+
Texas A&M	3-120-40.0, Lg 49, 2 I20
at Alabama	5-266-53.2, Lg 71, 2 I20, 2 50+
at Kentucky	2-79-39.5, Lg 43
UConn	2-83-41.5, Lg 42, 2 I20
at Missouri	6-262-43.7, Lg 54, 3 I20, 2 50+
Georgia	6-240-40.0, Lg 47
Vanderbilt	3-119-39.7, Lg 47, 1 I20
vs. Iowa	7-284-40.6, Lg 48, 4 I20



# MATTHEW SALANSKY



LS • 5-11 • 250 • R-Sr.

Morristown, Tenn.

Name is pronounced SUH-lan-skee

### **CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2022 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2021 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

### CAREER

- Tennessee's starting long snapper who continues to be a model of consistency on the field, in the locker room and academically
- Is in his fifth straight and final season as the starting long snapper
- A walk-on who comes from a family history of Vols
- Has successfully executed 569 snaps in his career with 87 on field goal, 252 on PAT and 230 on punt
- Also has nine career tackles to his credit
- A three-time SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient and a member of the team's leadership council
- Received his undergraduate degree in December of 2023
- Two-time Burlsworth Trophy nominee
- Played in 59 career games

- Was 8-for-8 on snaps (2 PAT, 1 FG, 5 punt) at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Notched a tackle and went 10-for-10 (3 PAT, 4 FG, 3 punt) on snap attempts in win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Went 10-for-10 (4 PAT, 3 FG, 3 punt) on snaps vs. Kentucky (11/2)
- Recorded one tackle and went 10-for-10 on snaps (3 PAT, 3 FG, 4 punt) vs. #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Was perfect for the Vols in their win over Florida (10/12) going 10-for-10 on snaps (2 PAT, 1 FG, 7 punt)
- Went 9-for-9 on snaps at Arkansas (10/5)
- Registered one tackle in win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21) while going 13-for-13 on snaps (2 PAT, 3 FG, 8 punt)
- Successfully executed eight snaps vs. Kent State (9/14), going 8-for-8 for the third straight week
- Snapped the ball eight times (4 PAT, 3 FG, 1 punt) in the Vols' 51-10 victory over #24 NC State (9/7), and also served as a team captain
- Served as a team captain and made his 50th career appearance for the Vols in their season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31), snapping the ball eight times (6 PAT, 1 FG, 1 punt)

### **NOTABLE**

- · Earned his bachelor's degree in kinesiology in December 2023
- · Uncle, Casey Woods, lettered at wide receiver and was a specialist holder for the Vols from 2005-07 • Grew up 45 min. away wanting to play for the Vols
- Both his brother and mother graduated from UT
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 108

### **CAREER STATS**

Games Played: 2024: 10; 2023: 13; 2022: 13; 2021: 13; 2020: 10: 2019: 0

Career: 59



# DYLAN **SAMPSON** RB • 5-11 • 201 • Jr. Baton Rouge, La.

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### **CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 Maxwell Award Semifinalist
- 2024 Doak Walker Award Semifinalist
- · SEC Offensive Player of the Week (vs. Alabama, 10/21/24)
- 2024 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Athlon)
- 2024 Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Phil Steele)
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2022 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll
- SEC Freshman of the Week (at Vanderbilt, 11/28/22)

### **CAREER**

- · An explosive, speedy running back with great playmaking ability who is in his third season
- Formed a dynamic backfield with Jaylen Wright and Jabari Small from 2022-23 and now has the reins as the starting back in 2024
- Provides a vocal presence and is a member of the team's leadership council
- Two-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll and one of the Vols' leaders in community service
- · One of the fastest players on the team, clocked at 22-23.0 mph on Catapult system
- Enrolled at Tennessee in June 2022 and went through his first spring practice in 2023
- · For his career, rushed for 2,231 yards on 384 carries with 34 TDs and averages 5.8 yards per carry
- Has 35 career catches for 309 yards and one receiving touchdown
- · His 34 career rushing scores ranks third all-time at UT behind Gene McEver (37 from 1928-31) and James Stewart (35 from 1991-94)
- · His 13 career 100-yard games is tied for the thirdmost in Tennessee history with Jamal Lewis (1997-99) and Johnnie Jones (1981-84)
- · Played in 32 career games with 11 starts

### 2024

- · Doak Walker Award semifinalist leads the SEC and is tied for second nationally in rushing touchdowns (21)
- · His 21 rushing TDs are the most by an SEC player since Alabama's Najee Harris had an FBS-best 26 in 2020 (13 games)
- Tied with Alabama's Trent Richardson (2011) and Texas A&M's Johnny Manziel (2012) for sixth-most rushing scores in SEC single-season history
- Leads the SEC in rushing yards per game (123.00)
- · Leads the SEC and is tied for second in the FBS in total points scored (126), while ranking tied for third nationally in points per game (12.6)
- · Tied with Gene McEver for the single-season program record for touchdowns scored with 21
- Is the second player in Tennessee history with nine 100-yard rushing games in a single season, joining Jay Graham, who had 11 in 1995
- · He is the first Vol in program history with a rushing touchdown in 10 consecutive games
- · Has totaled multiple rushing touchdowns in a game 10 times in his career, including in seven of 10 contests in 2024. He is the second player in school history with at least seven games in a single season with multiple rushing touchdowns, joining Reggie Cobb, who had eight in 1987

- Headlined the Tennessee offense once again at #12 Georgia (11/16), finishing with 19 carries for 101 yards and his 21st rushing touchdown of the season
- Reached a pair of milestones with his effort vs. Mississippi State (11/9), finishing the game with 30 carries for 149 rushing yards, both career highs, while eclipsing 1,000 yards on the ground this season and 2,000 for his collegiate career
- · With two rushing scores vs. Kentucky (11/2), Sampson broke the Tennessee single-season record for rushing touchdowns with 19. The record of 18 was previously set by UT's first All-American, Gene McEver in 1929
- · Sampson logged his seventh 100-yard game of the year against Kentucky (11/2), rushing 27 times for 142 yards on the ground, punching in scores of seven and six yards in the third and fourth quarters, respectively
- · Named SEC Offensive Player of the Week after posting 26 carries for 139 yards in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19), his sixth triple-digit performance of the season and his seventh consecutive outing with more than 90 yards
- · Sparked Tennessee's offense in the second half vs. #7 Alabama (10/19), with two rushing scores
- Was magnificent for the Vols once again vs. Florida (10/12), toting 27 carries for 112 yards and three touchdowns. All three of his scores came in the second half and overtime
- · Reached the end zone for the first time against Florida (10/12) with 2:57 left in the third quarter. giving him six consecutive games - each one this season - with a touchdown. The last Tennessee player with a rushing touchdown in six straight contests was Montario Hardesty, who did so in the opening six games of the 2009 season
- · Carried the ball 22 times for a season-high 138 yards and two touchdowns at Arkansas (10/5), marking his fourth 100-plus yard rushing game this year
- Rushed a career-high 24 times for 92 hard-earned yards and a touchdown in SEC opening victory at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- · Became the first Vol in the modern era with four rushing touchdowns in a half and tied the modernera school single-game record with that total vs. Kent State (9/14)
- · Rushed for 66 yards and three scores in the first 15 minutes against the Golden Flashes and finished with 101 yards and four TDs on 13 attempts, marking his fourth straight 100-yard performance dating back to the Citrus Bowl last season
- · Delivered another sensational performance in UT's win over #24 NC State (9/7) amassing 132 yards on 20 carries with two rushing scores and adding three catches for 37 yards to finish with a career-high 169 all-purpose yards
- Tied his career-high in rushing touchdowns with three against Chattanooga (8/31) in the season opener, carrying the ball 12 times for 124 yards while also hauling in three receptions for 29 yards

### **NOTABLE**

- Majoring in information sciences
- · His biggest influence on his playing career is Reggie Bush-grew up a New Orleans Saints fan and appreciated his elusiveness
- · Shattered NFL and Dutchtown High School alum Eddie Lacy's program record for all-time rushing yards, racking up 4,927 yards on 521 carries
- · Said the passing of his grandfather from cancer during the Louisiana floods of 2016 motivated him to stay focused
- · Is an avid outdoorsman
- Favorite movie is Juice (1992)
- · Favorite musical artist is Rod Wave
- Favorite food is blackened chicken with Cajun fries
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Rushes	30 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Rushing Yards	149 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Rushing Touchdowns	4 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Long Rush	80 at Vanderbilt, 11/26/22
Receptions	4 at Kentucky, 10/28/23
Receiving Yards	42 vs. South Carolina, 9/30/23
Receiving Touchdowns	1 vs. Virginia, 9/2/23
Long Reception	37 vs. South Carolina, 9/30/23
Kick Returns	1 vs. Clemson, 12/30/22
Kick Return Yards	24 vs. Clemson, 12/30/22
Long Kick Return	24 vs. Clemson, 12/30/22

### **CAREER STATS**

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2022	10/0	58	397	6.8	39.7	6	80-VU	131-VU
2023	12/1	106	604	5.7	50.3	7	44-UTSA	139-UTSA
2024	10/10	220	1230	5.6	123.0	21	56-UTC	149-MSU
Career	32/11	384	2231	5.8	69.7	34	80-VU	149-MSU

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2022	10/0	3	24	8.0	2.4	0	19-BSU	19-BSU
2023	12/1	17	175	10.3	14.6	1	37-SC	42-SC
2024	10/10	15	110	7.3	11.0	0	21-NCST	37-NCST
Career	32/11	35	309	8.8	9.7	1	37-SC	42-SC

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Орр.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*Chattanooga	12-124-3, 56	3-29-0, 19
*vs. NC State	20-132-2, 34	3-37-0, 21
*Kent State	13-101-4, 22	1-4-0, 4
*at Oklahoma	24-92-1, 16	0-0-0
*at Arkansas	22-138-2, 53	1-11-0, 11
*Florida	27-112-3, 23	2-7-0, 8
*Alabama	26-139-2, 36	0-0-0
*Kentucky	27-142-2, 17	1-9-0, 9
*Mississippi State	30-149-1, 33	13-0, 0
*at Georgia	19-101-1, 27	3-16-0, 8

<b>2023 Opp.</b> vs. Virginia	<b>Rush-Yds-TD, Lg</b> 13-52-3, 11	<b>Rec-Yds-TD, Lg</b> 1-9-1, 9
Austin Peay	3-8-0, 3	1-9-0, 9
at Florida	DNP	
UTSA	11-139-2, 44	1-20-0, 20
South Carolina	9-49-1, 12	2-42-0, 37
Texas A&M	9-25-0, 12	1-9-0, 9
at Alabama	4-28-0, 12	2-9-0, 8
at Kentucky	17-76-1, 24	4-39-0, 17
UConn	5-28-0, 17	2-23-0, 13
at Missouri	3-20-0, 14	2-13-0, 9
Georgia	2-9-0, 8	1-2-0, 2
Vanderbilt	10-37-0, 9	0-0-0
*vs. lowa	20-133-0, 31	0-0-0

2022 Орр.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Ball State	10-32-1, 10	1-19-0, 19
at Pitt	DNP	
Akron	8-57-2, 27	0-0-0
Florida	DNP	
at LSU	2-14-0, 9	0-0-0
Alabama	DNP	
UT Martin	13-62-1, 45	0-0-0
Kentucky	1-1-0, 1	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0	0-0-0
Missouri	8-98-1, 42	1-7-0, 7
at South Carolina	4-2-0, 4	1-(-2)-0, 0
at Vanderbilt	12-131-1, 80	0-0-0
vs. Clemson	0-0-0	0-0-0

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# CAMERON **SELDON**

RB • 6-2 • 222 • So. Browns Store, Va.

### **CAREER HONORS**

• 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

### **CAREER**

- Physical back and bigger contributor in 2024 following the departure of Jaylen Wright and Jabari Small
- Underwent shoulder surgery during spring practice 2024 but was able to work his way back for 2024 opener

- Was a solid member of Tennessee's special teams coverage unit in his debut season
- Arrived at Rocky Top in January 2023
- Played in 18 career games

- Carried the ball six times for 26 vards in UT's win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Rushed one time for one yard, while returning one
- kickoff for 18 yards vs. #7 Alabama (10/19) • Returned one kickoff for 24 yards at Arkansas (10/5)
- · Carried the ball seven times in season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) for 47 yards, including a new career-long rush of 14 yards

### **NOTABLE**

- Majoring in management
- Goes by "Cam"
- · Was a track star in high school, winning state championships in the 100-meter dash, 200-meter dash (twice) and 4x100 meter relay
- Holds the Northumberland school record in both the 100- and 200-meter dash, clocking times of 10.74 (100m) and 21.7 (200m)
- Also played basketball in high school
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

13 vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
55 vs. lowa, 1/1/24
14 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
1 (6x), last vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
35 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
35 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023	13/0	25	106	4.2	8.2	0	13-IOWA	55-IOWA
2024	5/0	14	74	5.3	14.8	0	14-UTC	47-UTC
Career	18/0	39	180	4.6	10.0	0	14-UTC	55-IOWA

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	KR-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	7-47-0, 14	1-35-0, 35
vs. NC State	DNP - Injury	
Kent State	DNP - Injury	
at Oklahoma	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0	1-24-0, 24
Florida	DNP	
Alabama	1-1-0, 1	1-18-0, 18
Kentucky	DNP	
Mississippi State	6-26-0, 10	0-0-0
at Georgia	DNP	

2023 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	KR-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Virginia	2-4-0. 2	0-0-0
Austin Peay	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Florida	0-0-0	0-0-0
UTSA	1-1-0, 1	0-0-0
South Carolina	0-0-0	1-21-0, 21
Texas A&M	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Alabama	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0	0-0-0
UConn	6-35-0, 11	1-15-0, 15
at Missouri	0-0-0	0-0-0
Georgia	3-11-0, 10	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-0-0	0-0-0
vs. lowa	13-55-0, 13	0-0-0



# **ELIJAH SIMMONS**



DL • 6-2 • 340 • R-Sr. Memphis, Tenn.

### **CAREER**

- · Strong, imposing interior defensive lineman with incredible athleticism for his size
- Is in his sixth and final collegiate season
- Totaled 57 career tackles. 7.0 tackles for loss and three pass breakups during his time at UT

- Originally from Memphis but moved to Nashville where he enjoyed a stellar high school career
- Graduated from Tennessee in December 2023
- Has seen action in 52 games and made eight starts during his career

### 2024

- Registered two tackles at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Played in his 50th career game, making one stop in Tennessee's 28-18 victory over Kentucky (11/2)
- · Recorded one tackle in UT's overtime victory over Florida (10/12)
- Served as a team captain and started for the Vols as they visited Arkansas (10/5), finishing the night with
- Made a big play early in the game at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), setting the tone with a tackle for loss on the first play from scrimmage
- Served as a captain in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7), playing 11 snaps on the defensive line
- · Was extremely disruptive up front, posting three total tackles and a half tackle for loss in the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

### **NOTABLE**

- · Earned his bachelor's degree in communications studies in December 2023
- · Born in Memphis but moved to Nashville as an eight-year-old
- Video of him dunking a basketball and then making a full court basket went viral in the spring of 2019
- · Appeared on stage at the 2019 NFL Draft in Nashville as one of the city's top high school players
- · Grew up singing in choir and was a member of high school a cappella group called the Fab Five
- Won state titles in the shot put (49-10.5) and discus (146-8) at TSSAA Small Class Track & Field Championships as a junior
- Repeated as state champion in the shot put (53-0) as a senior and finished second in the discus (144-11)
- · Models his game and watches NFL standouts Aaron Donald and Geno Atkins
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	5 at Kentucky, 11/6/21
Tackles For Loss	1.0 (6x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Sacks	0.5 vs. lowa, 1/1/24
QB Hurries	1 at Florida, 9/25/21
Passes Defended	1 (3x), last vs. UConn, 11/4/23

### **CAREER STATS**

Detense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	П	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	QBH	High TK
2019	3/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
2020	10/2	2	8	10	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	4-UGA
2021	7/4	4	7	11	0-0	1.5-2	0	0	1	1	5-UK
2022	13/0	5	3	8	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	2-2x
2023	9/0	7	12	19	0.5-4	3-9	0	0	1	0	4-CONN
2024	10/2	4	5	9	0-0	1.5-7	0	0	0	0	3-UTC
Career	52/9	22	35	57	0.5-4	7-19	0	0	3	1	5-UK

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

U-A-T, Other
1-2-3, 0.5 tfl
0-0-0
0-0-0
1-0-1, 1 tfl
0-1-1
0-1-1
0-0-0
0-1-1
0-0-0
2-0-2

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	DNP - Injury
Austin Peay	DNP - Injury
at Florida	DNP - Injury
UTSA	DNP - Injury
South Carolina	0-1-1
Texas A&M	2-0-2
at Alabama	0-2-2
at Kentucky	0-1-1
UConn	3-1-4, 1 tfl, 1 pd

at Missouri	1-2-3, 1 tfl
Georgia	0-1-1
Vanderbilt	1-2-3, 0.5 tfl
vs. Iowa	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	2-0-2, 1 tfl
at Pitt	0-1-1
Akron	0-0-0
Florida	2-0-2
at LSU	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0
UT Martin	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-1-1
at Georgia	0-0-0
Missouri	0-1-1
at South Carolina	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	1-0-1
vs. Clemson	0-0-0

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Bowling Green	0-0-0, 1 pd
*Pitt	1-2-3
*Tennessee Tech	0-0-0
*at Florida	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl, 1 qbh
at Missouri	1-0-1, 1 tfl
South Carolina	DNP
Ole Miss	DNP
at Alabama	DNP
at Kentucky	2-3-5
Georgia	0-0-0
South Alabama	DNP
Vanderbilt	DNP
vs. Purdue	DNP

2020 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*at S. Carolina	1-0-1
*Missouri	0-1-1
at Georgia	0-4-4
Kentucky	0-1-1
Alabama	0-0-0, 1 pd
at Arkansas	1-1-2
at Auburn	0-1-1
Florida	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0
Texas A&M	0-0-0
*Missouri at Georgia Kentucky Alabama at Arkansas at Auburn Florida at Vanderbilt	0-1-1 0-4-4 0-1-1 0-0-0, 1 pd 1-1-2 0-1-1 0-0-0 0-0-0

2019 Opp.	U-A-T, Other	
Georgia State	DNP	
BYU	DNP	
Chattanooga	0-0-0	
at Florida	DNP	
Georgia	DNP	
Mississippi State	DNP	
at Alabama	DNP	
South Carolina	DNP	
UAB	DNP	
at Kentucky	0-0-0	
at Missouri	0-0-0	
Vanderbilt	DNP	
vs. Indiana	DNP	

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# **SLAUGHTER** DB • 6-2 • 195 • So.

Clarksdale, Miss.

### **CAREER HONORS**

•2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

- Young, talented safety who is also a contributor on special teams
- Arrived on Rocky Top in December 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices
- Played in 20 career games

### 2024

- Played in his 20th game as a Vol, making one tackle against #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Made one tackle in victory over #7 Alabama (10/19)



- Recovered an onside kick and made one solo tackle in Tennessee's 71-0 victory over Kent State (9/14)
- In just six defensive snaps, made two stops and added a half tackle for loss in blowout win vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Saw action on 12 defensive snaps at safety in seasonopening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

### **NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sport management
- Was a two-time captain of Southaven High School
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	2 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
Tackles for Loss	0.5 vs. NC State, 9/7/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2023	13/0	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-A&M
2024	7/0	3	2	5	0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	2-NCST
Career	20/0	4	2	6	0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	2-NCST

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T Other
Chattanooga	0-0-0
vs. NC State	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl
Kent State	1-0-1 (Recovered Onside Kick)
at Oklahoma	DNP - Injury
at Arkansas	DNP - Injury
Florida	DNP
Alabama	1-0-1
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-0-0
at Georgia	1-0-1

2023 Opp.	U-A-T Other	
vs. Virginia	0-0-0	
Austin Peay	0-0-0	
at Florida	0-0-0	
UTSA	0-0-0	
South Carolina	0-0-0	
Texas A&M	1-0-1	
at Alabama	0-0-0	
at Kentucky	0-0-0	
UConn	0-0-0	
at Missouri	0-0-0	
Georgia	0-0-0	
Vanderbilt	0-0-0	
vs. lowa	0-0-0	



# JALEN SMITH

LB • 6-2 • 230 • R-Fr. Grayson, Ga.

### **CAREER HONORS**

• 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

### 2024

- Registered four tackles at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Notched one tackle in win vs. Mississippi State (11/9)
- Made a career-best nine tackles in the Vols' win over Kentucky (11/2)
- Recorded one tackle in win over #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Played 19 snaps and tied his career high with four tackles in a win over Florida (10/12)
- Played 14 snaps and registered three tackles for the Vols at Arkansas (10/5)
- Made one tackle as the Vols held Kent State to just 112 yards of total offense in a 71-0 victory (9/14)
- Played 17 snaps on defense and registered one tackle in win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made a career-high four tackles in UT's seasonopening win over Chattanooga (8/31)

### NOTABLE

- Majoring in nutrition
- A two-time team captain who helped lead Grayson High School to a Region 4-7A title and the Class 7A state quarterfinals as a senior in 2022

- Rated a four-star prospect by Rivals
- Finished his prep career with a school-record 434 tackles to go along with 30 TFLs, 18 sacks, three forced fumbles and a pick six
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

**Tackles** 9 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2023	5/0	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-4x
2024	10/0	9	19	28	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	9-UK
Career	15/0	12	20	32	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	9-UK

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

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2024 Opp.	U-A-T Other
Chattanooga	1-3-4
vs. NC State	0-1-1
Kent State	0-1-1
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-3-3
Florida	1-3-4
Alabama	O-1-1
Kentucky	3-6-9
Mississippi State	0-1-1
at Georgia	4-0-4

2023 Opp.	U-A-T Other
UTSA	O-1-1
UConn	1-0-1
Georgia	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	1-0-1
vs. lowa	1-0-1



# JAVONTEZ SPRAGGINS

OL • 6-3 • 330 • Sr. East St. Louis, III.

Name is pronounced juh-VAWN-tez SPRA-gens

### **CAREER HONORS**

- 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- 2025 Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 All-SEC Third Team (Phil Steele)
- 2022 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (vs. #20 Florida, 9/26/22)
- 2021 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2020-21 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

### CAREER

**39** 

- Powerful and relentless offensive guard who returns for his fifth season with the program and his fourth straight as a starter
- Has steadily been one of the leaders of an offensive line that was a semifinalist for the Joe Moore Award last season for the first time in school history
- Four-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll who will wear the SEC graduate patch in 2024
- Seen action on 3,188 career offensive snaps
- Played in 54 games with 47 career starts, including 46 at right guard

### 2024

- Has started all 10 games at right guard this yearPlayed all 72 offensive snaps and helped the Vols
- Played all 72 offensive snaps and helped the Vols eclipse 300 yards of total offense for the 10th time this season on the road at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Did not allow a pressure for the second consecutive game and helped UT rush for 240 yards and pile up 452 yards of total offense while playing 72 snaps against Mississippi State (11/9)
- Played 78 snaps and did not allow a pressure as the Vols racked up 477 yards of total offense in win vs. Kentucky (11/2)
- Helped pave the way for Tennessee's offense to put up 408 yards of total offense vs. #7 Alabama (10/19), winning 24-17 over the Crimson Tide

- •Played in his 50th game as a Vol against Florida (10/12), helping the offense roll up 312 yards of total offense in a 23-17 overtime win
- •Started at RG for the 40th time in his career and played all 73 offensive snaps in the Vols' road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Made his 40th career start for the Vols in recordsetting win vs. Kent State (9/14) helping UT post modern-era single-game record with 740 total of total offense and 71 points
- Started at RG and helped pave the way for UT's punishing rushing attack that rolled up 249 yards on the ground in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Started at RG and played 44 clean snaps in seasonopening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31), helping UT rack up 718 total yards of offense, which was tied for the second most in program history

### **NOTABLE**

- Earned his bachelor's degree in sociology in December 2023
- Earned the nickname "The Zookeeper" after hoisting up opponent stuffed-toy mascots that fans give him following victories
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### **CAREER STATS**

**Games Played/Started:** 2024: 10/10; 2023: 11/11; 2022: 13/13; 2021: 12/12; 2020: 8/1

**Career:** 54/47



# HOLDEN STAES

TE • 6-4 • 248 • Jr. Atlanta, Ga.

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Last name is pronounced STAYS

### CAREER

**60.76** 

- •Dynamic tight end transfer with excellent pass catching ability and size
- Tabbed as the No. 1 transfer tight end and No. 16 overall transfer prospect for the 2023 cycle by 247 Sports
- Spent his freshman and sophomore seasons at Notre Dame before entering the portal and enrolling at Tennessee in January 2024
- Owns two years of remaining eligibility, including the 2024 season
- Got his first taste of the Heupel offense being able to go through a full spring in 2024
- Played in 22 games with nine starts at Notre Dame, catching 16 passes for 187 yards and four touchdowns
- Played in 32 career games (22 at ND, 10 at UT) and made 12 starts (9 at ND, 3 at UT)

### 024

- Caught one pass for nine yards at #12 Georgia (11/16)
  Made his second start for the Vols in win vs. Kentucky (11/2), setting season-highs with three receptions for 27 yards
- Caught one pass for five yards as the Vols defeated #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Hauled in two receptions for five yards in Tennessee's overtime win vs. Florida (10/12)
- Played 46 snaps and had two catches for eight yards in SEC opener on the road at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Pulled down one reception for 16 yards in blowout win vs. Kent State (9/14)
- Made his first start and hauled in his first touchdown catch as a Vol, an 18-yard reception for the final score of the game in win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made Tennessee debut in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31), playing 24 snaps and hauling in two receptions for 13 yards

### **NOTABLI**

- · Majoring in journalism and electronic media
- Outside of football, enjoys going to concerts, playing basketball and golfing
- Favorite musical artists are Rod Wave and Drake

- · Aspires to be a sports broadcaster
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Receptions	4 at NC State, 9/9/23*
Receiving Yards	115 at NC State, 9/9/23*
Receiving Touchdowns	2 at NC State, 9/9/23*
Long Reception	40 at NC State, 9/9/23*

<sup>\* -</sup> at Notre Dame

### **CAREER STATS**

GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
11/1	1	11	11.0	1.0	0	11-BYU	11-BYU
11/8	15	176	11.7	16.0	4	40-NCST	115-NCST
10/3	13	101	7.8	10.1	1	20-UK	27-UK
22/9	16	187	11.7	8.5	4	40-NCST	115-NCST
10/3	13	101	7.8	10.1	1	20-UK	27-UK
32/12	29	288	9.8	9.3	5	40-NCST	115-NCST
	11/1 11/8 10/3 22/9 10/3	11/1 1 11/8 15 10/3 13 22/9 16 10/3 13	11/1 1 11 11/8 15 176 10/3 13 101 22/9 16 187 10/3 13 101	11/1 1 11 11.0 11/8 15 176 11.7 10/3 13 101 7.8 22/9 16 187 11.7 10/3 13 101 7.8	11/1         1         11         11.0         1.0           11/8         15         176         11.7         16.0           10/3         13         101         7.8         10.1           22/9         16         187         11.7         8.5           10/3         13         101         7.8         10.1	11/1	11/1 1 11 11.0 1.0 0 11-BYU 11/8 15 176 11.7 16.0 4 40-NCST 10/3 13 101 7.8 10.1 1 20-UK 22/9 16 187 11.7 8.5 4 40-NCST 10/3 13 101 7.8 10.1 1 20-UK

<sup>\* -</sup> at Notre Dame

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	2-13-0, 9
*vs. NC State	1-18-1, 18
Kent State	1-16-0, 16
at Oklahoma	2-8-0, 6
at Arkansas	0-0-0
Florida	2-5-0, 3
Alabama	1-5-0, 5
*Kentucky	3-27-0, 20
*Mississippi State	0-0-0
at Georgia	1-9-0, 9

2023 Орр.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*vs. Navy	0-0-0
*Tennessee State	1-4-1, 4
at NC State	4-115-2, 40
*Central Michigan	1-4-1, 4
*Ohio State	0-0-0
at Duke	0-0-0
at Louisville	2-16-0, 9
*USC	2-10-0, 7
*Pittsburgh	2-14-0, 9
*at Clemson	1-7-0, 7
*Wake Forest	2-6-0, 10
at Stanford	DNP
vs. Oregon State	DNP

2022 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
at Ohio State	DNP
Marshall	0-0-0
California	DNP
*at North Carolina	0-0-0
vs. BYU	1-11-0
Stanford	0-0-0
UNLV	0-0-0
at Syracuse	0-0-0
Clemson	0-0-0
vs. Navy	0-0-0
Boston College	0-0-0
at USC	0-0-0
vs. South Carolina	0-0-0

<sup>-</sup> denotes started



# JEREMIAH TELANDER LB • 6-2 • 238 • So. Gainesville, Ga.

Last name pronounced TEE-lan-dur

### **CAREER HONORS**

• 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

### CAREER

- Physical linebacker with a nose for the ball who has taken over as the starting MLB following a seasonending injury to Keenan Pili
- Coming off a true freshman season in which he got better every single week and was the leading freshman tackler on the squad

- Also a major contributor on special teams coverage
- Arrived on Rocky Top in December 2022, participating in Orange Bowl practices and then attending the game before going through his first spring practice in 2023
- Played in 23 career games with five starts

### 2024

- Tied his career high with six tackles and one TFL in win vs. Mississippi State (11/9), and recovered a fumble for the third time this season
- Recovered his second fumble of the season in win vs. Kentucky (11/2) and finished the game with three total tackles
- Recorded his first-career sack in a 24-17 win over #7 Alabama (10/19), finishing the night with four total tackles and half a TFL
- Made his first-career start for the Vols in overtime win vs. Florida (10/12), making five tackles with a half TFL in a season-high 67 snaps
- Had five tackles and half a TFL at Arkansas (10/5)
- Recorded three total tackles and a PBU in shutout win over Kent State (9/14) as the defense held the Golden Flashes to 112 yards of total offense
- Notched one tackle and recovered a fumble in UT's 51-10 victory over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Played 29 snaps and tallied four solo tackles in the season-opening win over Chattanooga (8/31)

### NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- His father, Steve, played college football at UMass before getting into coaching and spending time as an assistant coach at Missouri, Bowling Green, UTEP and UMass
- Was also a standout track and field athlete and played basketball in high school
- Won a sectional title and placed fourth at the Georgia Class 3A state championship meet in the high jump as a sophomore in 2020
- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 120

### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	6 (3x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Tackles For Loss	1.0 (3x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Sacks	0.5 vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
Passes Defended	1 (2x), last vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Fumble Recoverie</b>	s 1 (3x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24

### CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2023	13/0	15	20	35	0-0	2.5-4	0	0	1	0	6-2x
2024	10/5	12	20	32	0.5-1	2.5-3	0	3	1	0	6-MSU
Career	23/5	27	40	67	0.5-1	5.0-7	0	3	2	0	6-3x

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

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2024 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	4-0-4
vs. NC State	1-0-1, 1 fr
Kent State	1-2-3, 1 pd
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-5-5, 0.5 tfl
*Florida	0-5-5, 0.5 tfl
*Alabama	2-2-4, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s
*Kentucky	1-2-3, 1 fr
*Mississippi State	2-4-6, 1 tfl, 1 fr
*at Georgia	1-0-1

2023 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	2-4-6
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	1-2-3
South Carolina	1-1-2
Texas A&M	0-1-1
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0
UConn	1-4-5, 1 tfl
at Missouri	2-1-3, 0.5 tfl
Georgia	2-2-4
Vanderbilt	3-3-6, 1 pd
vs. lowa	3-2-5, 1 tfl

<sup>\* -</sup> denotes started



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DB • 6-2 • 200 • R-Jr.
Tullahoma, Tenn.

### **CAREER**

- Veteran in-state transfer safety with two years of eligibility remaining
- Spent the first three seasons of his college career at Middle Tennessee after a standout prep career at Tullahoma High School
- The No. 12 safety and No. 118 prospect overall according to the 247Sports transfer rankings cycle
- Saw action in 24 games with 13 starts during his career as a Blue Raider, totaling 108 tackles, four interceptions, eight PBUs and two forced fumbles
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2024 and went through spring practice
- Played in 34 career games (24 at MTSU, 10 at UT) with 13 starts (all at MTSU)

### 2024

- Finished with a pair of tackles and a pass breakup in UT's win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Had one tackle in victory over Kentucky (11/2)
- Tallied two tackles with a season-high 1.5 TFLs in victory vs. #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Recorded one tackle in UT's win over Florida (10/12)
- Made three tackles with a half tackle for loss at Arkansas (10/5)
- Notched two tackles, including a highlight-reel hit down the sideline, and recovered a fumble in UT's road victory at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Tallied four total tackles in UT's 71-0 win over Kent State (9/14)
- Made three stops with one TFL and a sack against #24 NC State (9/7), helping the Vols' defense hold the Wolfpack to just 143 yards of total offense
- Had two tackles and one pass breakup in his Tennessee debut in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

### NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- Two-way player for Tullahoma who led the team in rushing with 712 yards and 16 touchdowns his senior season
- Named a semifinalist for the 2020 Class 4-A Tennessee Mr. Football Award
- Favorite musical artist is Cody Johnson
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 121

### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	11 (2x), last at Liberty, 10/17/23*
Tackles For Loss	1.5 vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
Sacks	1.0 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
Interceptions	2 at FIU, 11/26/22*
Passes Defended 2	(2x), last vs. Jacksonville State, 10/4/23*
Forced Fumbles	1 (2x), last vs. Murray State, 9/16/23*
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	1 (2x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
* - at MTSU	

# CAREER STATS

### Defense GP/GS UT AT TT Sack TFL FF FR PD Int High Tk 2021\* 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 11-WKU 2022 27 10 37 0-0 1-5 1 0 52 19 71 0-0 3-6 1 1 1 0 2023 11-LIB 12 8 20 1-5 3-12 0 1 4-KSU at MTSU 24/13 79 29 108 0-0 4-11 2 1 12 4 10/0 12 8 20 1-5 3-12 0 1 4-KSU

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2024 Opp.	U-A-T Other
Chattanooga	1-1-2, 1 pd
vs. NC State	2-1-3, 1 tfl, 1 s
Kent State	3-1-4
at Oklahoma	2-0-2, 1 fr
at Arkansas	1-2-3, 0.5 tfl
Florida	1-0-1
Alabama	1-1-2, 1.5 tfl

Career 34/13 91 37 128 1-5 7.0-23 2 2 14 4 \* - at MTSU

Mississippi State	I-I-2, I pa
at Georgia	0-0-0
2023 Opp.	U-A-T Other
*at Alabama	6-2-8, 1 pd
*at Missouri	5-1-6
*Murray State	6-0-6, 1 tfl, 1 ff
*Colorado State	4-1-5
*at WKU	2-1-3, 1 pd
*Jacksonville State	2-3-5, 2 pd, 1 punt return
*La Tech	2-4-6, 1 tfl
*at Liberty	8-3-11
*at New Mexico State	3-1-4, 1 tfl
FIU	DNP
UTEP	5-3-8, 1 pd, 1 fr
*at Sam Houston State	9-0-9

0-1-1

Kentucky

2022 Орр.	U-A-T Other
at James Madison	1-2-3
at Colorado State	DNP
Tennessee State	0-1-1
at Miami (FL)	0-0-0
UTSA	0-0-0
at UAB	0-0-0
*WKU	9-2-11, 1 ff
*at UTEP	5-1-6, 1 tfl, 1 int
*at La Tech	1-1-2
Charlotte	2-1-3, 1 pd, 1 int
FAU	4-0-4, 1 pd
at FIU	3-2-5, 2 int, 1 td (int)
vs. San Diego State	2-0-2

2021 Opp.	U-A-T Other
Monmouth	DNP
at Virginia Tech	DNP
at UTSA	DNP
at Charlotte	DNP
Marshall	DNP
at Liberty	DNP
at UConn	DNP
Southern Miss	DNP
at WKU	DNP
FIU	0-0-0
Old Dominion	DNP
at FAU	DNP
vs. Toledo	DNP

\* - denotes started



# OMARI THOMAS DL • 6-4 • 325 • Sr. Memphis, Tenn.

### **CAREER HONORS**

- 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- 2025 Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List
- 2024 NCAA Oversight Committee
- 2022-2023 SEC Football Leadership Council
- 2021 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

### CAREER

- A highly-touted, strong defensive tackle out of Memphis who is in his fifth season with the program as one of the leaders in the SEC
- Member of the team's leadership council and has served as the Vols' representative on the SEC Football Leadership Council for three straight seasons
- Selected to be the SEC's representative on the NCAA Division I Football Oversight Committee Student-Athlete Connection Group in 2024
- Is in his final season of eligibility and fourth straight season as a starter
- Has accumulated 110 tackles, 15.0 tackles for loss, five sacks, 13 QB hurries, one fumble recovery, one forced fumble and one blocked kick
- Also skilled at batting balls down at the line with 12 pass breakups in his career
- Graduated from Tennessee in May 2024
- Played in 58 career games with 38 starts

### 2024

- Made two tackles and batted down one pass against #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Totaled three tackles and a half TFL in win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Notched three tackles with one TFL, one sack and one QBH in UT's win over Kentucky (11/2)
- Posted two tackles in his 35th career start as the Vols defeated #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Reached the 100-tackle mark for his career after making two tackles with one TFL in the Vols' 23-17 overtime win vs. Florida (10/12)
- Had one tackle and one QB hurry at Arkansas (10/5)
- Played 26 snaps and made one tackle in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Appeared in his 50th game as a Vol with his 32nd start, tying for the team lead with four tackles to go along with 1.5 TFLs and one pass breakup in UT's victory over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made his 31st start as a Vol in UT's season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31), batting down one pass and recording a QB hurry in just 15 snaps

### **NOTABLE**

- Earned his degree in journalism and electronic media from Tennessee in May 2024
- · Nickname is "Big O"
- Father, Romarcus Thomas, played football at Arkansas State
- High school teammates with RB Jabari Small and VFL/Memphis Grizzlies guard Kennedy Chandler
- Was a member of the 2020-21 VOLeaders Academy and visited Botswana in Southern Africa in the summer of 2022
- Raised money for the Down Syndrome Association of Mid-South, Autism Speaks and the Mowet-Wilson Foundation as a senior in high school
- Also played basketball, tennis and threw shot put for the track & field team in high school
- Roommates with fellow Memphis native Jabari Small
- Enjoys playing video games and outdoor activities
- · Favorite movie is "Rush Hour"
- Favorite TV show is "All American"
- One of his superstitions is to drink a Minute Maid on the day of the game
- Enjoys listening to people play musical instruments
- Goal beyond football is to either become a sports broadcaster, an investor or a coach
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

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Tackles	5 (2x), last vs. UTSA, 9/23/23
Tackles for Loss	1.5 (2x), last vs. NC State, 9/7/24
Sacks	1.0 (5x), last vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Forced Fumbles	1 vs. Florida, 9/24/22
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	1 at Pitt, 9/10/22
Passes Defended	1 (12x), last at Georgia, 11/16/24
QB Hurries	2 (2x), last vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23
Blocked Kicks	1 (PAT) at Florida, 9/16/23

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2020	10/0	7	3	10	0-0	1-2	0	0	0	0	2-3x
2021	13/6	11	10	21	1-5	3-14	0	0	3	4	4-2x
2022	13/13	11	15	22	2-15	2.5-16	1	1	4	4	5-UF
2023	12/11	19	16	35	1-3	4.5-15	0	0	3	1	5-UTSA
2024	10/8	9	9	18	1-7	4-13	0	0	2	3	4-NCST
Career	58/38	57	53	110	5-30	15-60	1	1	12	12	5-2x

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### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Орр.	U-A-I, Otner
*Chattanooga	0-0-0, 1 pd, 1 qbh
*vs. NC State	1-3-4, 1.5 tfl, 1 pd
*Kent State	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	1-0-1
at Arkansas	1-0-1, 1 qbh
*Florida	0-2-2, 1 tfl
*Alabama	2-0-2
*Kentucky	3-0-3, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh
*Mississippi State	0-3-3, 0.5 tfl
*at Georgia	1-1-2, 1 pd

2023 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Virginia	2-1-3, 1.5 tfl
*Austin Peay	1-1-2, 1 tfl
*at Florida	0-0-0, 1 blk (PAT)
*UTSA	3-2-5
*South Carolina	1-2-3, 1 s, 1 tfl
*Texas A&M	1-1-2
*at Alabama	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 qbh
*at Kentucky	3-1-4
UConn	DNP
at Missouri	1-2-3
*Georgia	0-3-3
*Vanderbilt	3-1-4, 2 qbh
*vs. lowa	3-1-4, 1 pd

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Ball State	0-4-4, 1 pd
*at Pitt	3-1-4, 1 fr, 1 pd
*Akron	0-0-0
*Florida	3-2-5, 1 ff, 2 qbh, 1 pd
*at LSU	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl
*Alabama	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh
*UT Martin	0-0-0
*Kentucky	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh
*at Georgia	1-0-1
*Missouri	0-1-1
*at South Carolina	0-2-2, 1 pd
*at Vanderbilt	1-1-2
*vs. Clemson	1-1-2

U-A-T, Other
0-0-0, 1 pd, 1 qbh
0-1-1
2-0-2
0-1-1
1-0-1
1-0-1
3-1-4, 1 s, 1 tfl, 1 pd, 1 saf
0-0-0
1-0-1
1-3-4, 1 tfl
1-2-3, 1 tfl, 1 qbh, 1 pd
1-0-1, 1 qbh, 1 pd
0-2-2

2020 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
at South Carolina	1-0-1
Missouri	1-1-2, 1 tfl
at Georgia	0-1-1
Kentucky	1-0-1
Alabama	0-0-0
at Arkansas	2-0-2
at Auburn	1-0-1
Florida	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	1-1-2
Texas A&M	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



# **DONT'E THORNTON JR.**WR • 6-5 • 214 • Sr. Baltimore, Md.

### CAREER HONORS

• 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

### **CAREER**

- A speedy transfer wide receiver with dynamic athletic ability and big potential
- Originally signed with Oregon as a member of the Class of 2021, playing two seasons with the Ducks before enrolling at Tennessee in January 2023
- Owns two seasons of remaining eligibility
- Can play on the outside or in the slot
- Played in 25 games in his two seasons at Oregon, totaling 26 catches for 541 yards and three TDs
- Played in 44 career games (25 at Oregon, 19 at UT) and made nine starts (5 at Oregon, 4 at UT)

### 2024

 Has been a big-play threat this season, ranking tied for second in the SEC and tied for fourth in the FBS with six receptions of 40-plus yards

- Leads the Vols with 505 receiving yards and is averaging an impressive 25.3 yards per catch
- Caught three pass for 104 yards, including a careerlong 73-yard touchdown reception vs. Mississippi State (11/9)
- Hauled in a career-high five catches for 36 yards as UT defeated Kentucky (11/2)
- Caught three passes for 70 yards vs. #7 Alabama (10/19), including an explosive 55-yard reception in the third quarter to set up Tennessee's second touchdown of the game
- Made one reception for 11 yards vs. Florida (10/12)
- Had one catch for 42 yards at Arkansas (10/5)
- Caught two passes for 73 yards and a touchdown in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), including a 66-yard TD reception against the Sooners in the first quarter for the first TD of the game
- Hauled in two receptions for 64 yards with a long of 53 in the Vols' victory over Kent State (9/14)
- Recorded his first multi-touchdown performance in college in season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31), hauling in three receptions for 105 yards and two touchdowns, including a 36-yard catch-and-run for his first score in Neyland Stadium

### NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- Selected to play in the 2021 All-American Bowl and the 2021 Polynesian Bowl
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### **CAREER HIGHS**

Receptions	5 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Receiving Yards	151 vs. Utah, 11/19/22*
Receiving TDs	2 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Long Reception	73 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24

\*at Oregon

### **CAREER STATS**

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
*2021	14/2	9	175	19.4	12.5	2	66-OU	90-OU
*2022	11/3	17	366	21.5	33.3	1	58-UTAH	151-UTAH
2023	9/3	13	224	17.2	24.9	1	47-UK	63-UK
2024	10/1	20	505	25.3	50.5	4	73-MSU	105-UTC
at ORE	25/5	26	541	20.8	21.6	3	66-OU	151-UTAH
at UT	19/4	33	729	22.1	38.4	5	73-MSU	105-UTC
Career	44/9	59	1270	21.5	30.0	8	73-MSU	151-UTAH

\*at Oregon

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	3-105-2, 59
vs. NC State	0-0-0
Kent State	2-64-0, 53
at Oklahoma	2-73-1, 66
*at Arkansas	1-42-0, 42
Florida	1-11-0, 11
Alabama	3-70-0, 55
Kentucky	5-36-0, 9
Mississippi State	5-104-1, 73
at Georgia	0-0-0

2023 Орр.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Virginia	2-12-0, 7
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	3-53-0, 43
UTSA	2-24-0, 15
South Carolina	DNP - Injury
Texas A&M	0-0-0
at Alabama	0-0-0
*at Kentucky	3-63-0, 47
*UConn	2-26-0, 22
*at Missouri	1-46-1, 46
Georgia	DNP - Injury
Vanderbilt	DNP - Injury
vs. Iowa	DNP - Injury

2022 Орр.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg (Other)
at Georgia	2-20-0, 10
Eastern Washington	4-60-0, 22
BYU	0-0-0
at Washington State	1-42-0, 42
Stanford	0-0-0 (1 rush, 9 yds)
at Arizona	DNP

UCLA	0-0-0
at Cal	1-7-0, 7
*at Colorado	2-17-0, 25
Washington	1-46-1, 46
*Utah	4-151-0, 58 (1 rush, -3 yds)
*at Oregon State	2-23-0, 16
vs. North Carolina	DNP

2021 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Fresno State	0-0-0
at Ohio State	0-0-0
Stony Brook	2-60-1, 54
Arizona	0-0-0
at Stanford	0-0-0
Cal	0-0-0
at UCLA	0-0-0
Colorado	0-0-0
at Washington	0-0-0
Washington State	0-0-0
*at Utah	2-16-0, 8
Oregon State	1-9-0, 9
vs. Utah	0-0-0
*vs. Oklahoma	4-90-1, 66

\* - denotes started



# JOSH TURBYVILLE

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### **CAREER HONORS**

• 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

### **CAREER**

- Strong-legged, homegrown specialist who is the primary kickoff specialist for the second straight year
- Connected on three PATs and one field goal during his college career
- Played in 24 career games and totaled 144 kickoffs for 9,069 yards (63.0 avg.)

### 2024

- Ranks tied for third in the FBS and second in the SEC with 54 touchbacks
- Kicked off four times for 253 yards with three touchbacks at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Had seven kickoffs for 450 yards vs. Mississippi State (11/9), with six going for touchbacks
- Hit five kickoffs for 325 yards and three touchbacks vs. Kentucky (11/2)
- Totaled five touchbacks on five kickoffs in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19), with his kickoffs traveling 325 yards
- Kicked off four times for 260 yards with four touchbacks vs. Florida (10/12)
- Kicked off six times for 390 yards with six touchbacks in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Set career highs with 11 kickoffs for 678 yards and eight touchbacks against Kent State (9/14)
- Kicked off nine times for 579 yards with eight touchbacks vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Kicked off eight times for 520 yards and eight touchbacks against Chattanooga (8/31), while also converting on two PAT attempts

### **NOTABLE**

- · Majoring in marketing
- Mother is a UT graduate
- Two of his toes are conjoined
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- CAREER HIGHS

Field Goals Made	1 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
Field Goals Attempted	1 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
Longest Field Goal	33 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
Longest Attempt	33 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
PATs	2 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Points	4 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
Kickoffs Attempted	11 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Kickoff Yards	678 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Touchhacks	8 (4x) last vs. Kent State 9/14/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Kick	GP	FG	FGA	Pct.	PAT	Pts	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	· Lg
2022	1										
2023	13	1	1	100	1-1	4		1-1			33-CONN
2024	10	0	0		2-2	2					
Career	24	1	1	100	3-3	6		1-1			33-CONN

Kickoffs	GP	No	Yds	Avg	TB	OB	
2022	1	1	65	65.0	1	0	
2023	13	81	5029	62.1	58	6	
2024	10	62	3975	64.1	54	2	
Totals	24	144	9069	63.0	113	8	

2024 Opp.	FGs. PATs. Pts	
Chattanooga	0-0, 2-2, 2	
vs. NC State	0-0, 0-0	
Kent State	0-0, 0-0	
at Oklahoma	0-0, 0-0	
at Arkansas	0-0, 0-0	
Florida	0-0, 0-0	
Alabama	0-0, 0-0	
Kentucky	0-0, 0-0	
Mississippi State	0-0, 0-0	
at Georgia	0-0, 0-0	

2024 Орр.	Kickoffs, YDs, AVG, TB
Chattanooga	8-520-65.0, 8 tb
vs. NC State	9-579-64.3, 8 tb
Kent State	11-678-61.6, 8 tb
at Oklahoma	6-390-65.0, 6 tb
at Arkansas	3-195-65.0, 3 tb
Florida	4-260-65.0, 4tb
Alabama	5-325-65.0, 5 tb
Kentucky	5-325-65.0, 3 tb
Mississippi State	7-450-64.3, 6 tb
at Georgia	4-253-63.3, 3 tb

2023 Opp.	FGS, PAIS, PtS
vs. Virginia	0-0, 0-0, 0
Austin Peay	0-0, 0-0, 0
at Florida	0-0, 0-0, 0
UTSA	0-0, 0-0, 0
South Carolina	0-0, 0-0, 0
Texas A&M	0-0, 0-0, 0
at Alabama	0-0, 0-0, 0
at Kentucky	0-0, 0-0, 0
UConn	1-1 (33M), 1-1, 4 pts
at Missouri	0-0, 0-0, 0
Georgia	0-0, 0-0, 0
Vanderbilt	0-0, 0-0, 0
vs. Iowa	0-0, 0-0, 0

2023 Opp.	Kickotts, YDs, AVG, TB
vs. Virginia	8-489-61.1, 4 tb
Austin Peay	6-387-64.5, 5 tb
at Florida	4-260-65.0, 4 tb
UTSA	8-520-65.0, 8 tb
South Carolina	8-531-66.4, 6 tb
Texas A&M	5-325-65.0, 4 tb
at Alabama	5-260-52.0, 3 tb
at Kentucky	8-520-65.0, 7 tb
UConn	10-581-58.1, 5 tb
at Missouri	2-130-65.0, 2 tb
Georgia	2-123-61.5, 1 tb
Vanderbilt	9-556-61.8, 5 tb
vs. Iowa	6-347-57.8, 4 tb

2022 Opp.	FGs, PATs, Pts
Ball State	DNP
Pittsburgh	DNP
Akron	DNP
Florida	DNP
LSU	DNP
Alabama	DNP
UT-Martin	0-0, 0-0, 0
Kentucky	DNP
Georgia	DNP
Missouri	DNP
South Carolina	DNP
Vanderbilt	DNP
Clemson	DNP



Kickoffs, YDs, AVG, TB
DNP
1-65-65.0, 1 tb
DNP



# ANDRE TURRENTINE DB • 5-11 • 195 • R-Jr. Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Last name pronounced TUR-en-tine

### **CAREER**

- Highly-touted Nashville native and starting safety who returned to his home state after spending his true freshman campaign at Ohio State
- Became an important piece of the secondary in his second season at UT and was thrust into starting action during the final three games of 2023
- · Shined in the 2024 Citrus Bowl win
- Enrolled at Tennessee in June 2022 after a solid spring at Ohio State
- Owns two seasons of eligibility remaining, including the 2024 campaign
- Signed with Ohio State after a standout prep career at Ensworth School
- Played in 38 career games (34 at UT, 4 at OSU) and has made 13 career starts (all at UT)

### 2024

- Started all 10 games at safety this year
- Registered three tackles at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Finished UT's win over Mississippi State (11/9) with four total tackles
- Had one interception, one PBU and one tackle in UT's 28-18 win over Kentucky (11/2)
- Made his 10th career start in victory vs. #7 Alabama (10/19), totaling four tackles
- Set a career-best with six tackles in win vs. Florida
- (10/12), including one half tackle for loss
   Notched four tackles on the road at Arkansas (10/5)
- Recorded five tackles with one PBU in road win over #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Had one PBU in Tennessee's shutout win over Kent State (9/14) as the defense held the Golden Flashes to just 112 yards of total offense
- Made his fifth start for the Vols in their 51-10 win over #24 NC State (9/7), registering one tackle
- Started at safety and made two total tackles in UT's season-opening victory over Chattanooga (8/31)

### NOTABLE

- · Majoring in communication studies
- Has three brothers, Antonio Jr., James and Alijah, and one sister. Katche
- X: @KingATIII | IG: returnofdos
- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 126

### **CAREER HIGHS**

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Tackles	6 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Tackles for Loss	1.5 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
Interceptions	1 (2x), last vs. Kentucky, (11/2/24)
Passes Defended	2 (2x), last vs. Kentucky, (11/2/24)
QB Hurries	1 vs. UTSA, 9/23/23

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2021*	4/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
2022	13/0	7	4	11	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	4-2x
2023	11/3	13	5	18	0-0	2.5-3	0	0	2	1	4-3x
2024	10/10	16	14	30	0-0	0.5-1	0	0	4	1	6-UF
at OSU	4/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	
at UT	34/13	36	23	59	0-0	3-4	0	0	6	2	6-UF
Career	38/13	36	23	59	0-0	3-4	0	0	6	2	6-UF

\* - at Ohio State

### **GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	1-1-2
*vs. NC State	1-0-1
*Kent State	0-0-0, 1 pd
*at Oklahoma	3-2-5, 1 pd
*at Arkansas	2-2-4
*Florida	2-4-6, 0.5 tfl
*Alabama	2-2-4
*Kentucky	1-0-1, 2 pd, 1 int
*Mississippi State	2-2-4
*at Georgia	2-1-3

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	1-0-1
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	DNP
UTSA	3-1-4, 1 qbh
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	DNP
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0
UConn	1-3-4, 1.5 tfl
at Missouri	0-0-0
*Georgia	3-1-4, 1 tfl
*Vanderbilt	2-0-2
*vs. lowa	3-0-3, 1 int, 2 pd

2022 Орр.	U-A-T, Other	
Ball State	2-2-4	
at Pitt	0-0-0	
Akron	1-0-1	
Florida	0-0-0	
at LSU	0-0-0	
Alabama	0-0-0	
UT Martin	3-1-4	
Kentucky	0-1-1	
at Georgia	0-0-0	
Missouri	1-0-1	
at South Carolina	0-0-0	
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0	
vs. Clemson	0-0-0	

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
at Minnesota	DNP
Oregon	DNP
Tulsa	DNP
Akron	0-0-0
at Rutgers	DNP
Maryland	0-0-0
at Indiana	DNP
Penn State	DNP
at Nebraska	DNP
Purdue	DNP
Michigan State	0-0-0
at Michigan	DNP
vs. Utah	0-0-0

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### CADEED

- Quick defensive lineman with a notable passrushing ability in his third season with the program
- Arrived at Tennessee in December 2021 after an elite prep career in Georgia
- Has registered 39 total tackles, 12.0 tackles for loss of 57 yards and six sacks for a loss of 42 yards

• Played in 33 career games with three starts

### 2024

- Recorded one stop against #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Made his second consecutive start in UT's 24-17 win over #7 Alabama (10/19), notching two total tackles
- Played in his 30th game as a Vol making his first career start - against Florida (10/12), totaling a half tackle for loss in UT's overtime win
- Was strong for the Vols on the defensive line against #15 Oklahoma (9/21), totaling three tackles - one TFL - and a sack in the win
- Had another strong outing in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7), totaling three tackles with a half TFL
- Tallied two tackles for loss of 11 yards, one sack for a loss of eight yards and forced one fumble in UT's season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

### **NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
- Related to former NFL and current CFL player Larry Dean
- Favorite movie is "Rush Hour"
- · Favorite musical artist is Lil' Baby
- X: @Tyre\_west95 | IG: uno.ree
- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 131

### **CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	6 vs. UTSA, 9/23/23
Tackles for Loss	2.0 (3x), last vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Sacks	1.5 vs. lowa, 1/1/24
QB Hurries	1 (4x), last vs. Kentucky, 10/29/22
Forced Fumbles	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

### **CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	ΑT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	I PD	High Tk
2022	11/0	7	2	9	2-13	5-20	0	0	4	0	2-3x
2023	13/0	7	10	17	2-17	3-19	0	0	0	0	6-UTSA
2024	9/3	7	6	13	2-12	4-18	1	0	1	0	3-2x
Career	33/3	21	18	39	6-42	12-57	1	0	5	0	6-UTSA

2024 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	2-0-2, 2 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff
vs. NC State	1-2-3, 0.5 tfl
Kent State	O-1-1
at Oklahoma	3-0-3, 1 tfl, 1 s
at Arkansas	0-0-0
*Florida	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
*Alabama	0-2-2
*Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	DNP - Injury
at Georgia	1-0-1

2023 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
Austin Peay	2-0-2
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	1-5-6
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	0-0-0
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0
UConn	0-0-0
at Missouri	1-1-2
Georgia	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-2-2, 1 tfl, 0.5 s
vs. Iowa	3-1-4, 1.5 tfl, 1.5 s

2022 Орр.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	1-0-1, 1 qbh
at Pitt	DNP
Akron	2-0-2, 2 tfl, 1 qbh
Florida	0-1-1
at LSU	1-0-1
Alabama	DNP
UT Martin	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh
Kentucky	0-0-0, 1 qbh
at Georgia	0-0-0
Missouri	0-0-0
at South Carolina	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	2-0-2, 2 tfl, 1 s
vs. Clemson	0-0-0

<sup>-</sup> denotes started



# SQUIRREL WHITE WR • 5-10 • 167 • Jr. Birmingham, Ala.

### **CAREER HONORS**

• 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

### CAREER

- Explosive playmaker who is one of the fastest wide receivers and return specialists in college football
- Burst onto the scene as a true freshman and got stronger as the season went on, culminating with an elite performance in the 2022 Orange Bowl
- Followed that up with a sophomore campaign in which he was one of the best slot receivers in the SEC
- In his third season with the program and has the experience to continue his growth
- Clocked at 23.4 MPH on the Catapult system
- Owns 12 catches of 30+ yards, 10 catches of 40+ yards, six catches of 50+ yards and three receptions of 60+ yards
- Produced five 100-yard receiving games
- Caught 128 passes for 1,633 yards and five touchdowns, averaging 12.8 yards per reception
- His 128 receptions ranks seventh all-time at UT
- Played in 35 career games with 22 starts

### 2024

- Is tied for the team lead with 31 receptions
- Had a game-high six catches for 45 yards at #12 Georgia (11/16), moving into seventh on UT's alltime receptions list
- Found the end zone for the first time this season, while catching three passes for 63 yards against Mississippi State (11/9)
- Had two catches for 11 yards vs. Kentucky (11/2)
- Had his streak of 23 straight games with a reception come to an end in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Started in his 20th career game and led the team with five catches for 71 yards vs. Florida (10/12)
- Made a season-high seven catches for 38 yards at Arkansas (10/5)
- Pulled down three catches for 13 yards and returned two punts for 12 yards at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Caught one pass for 19 yards as the Vols rolled to a 71-0 victory over Kent State (9/14) and returned one punt for 22 yards
- Hauled in two receptions for 67 yards, including a 45-yard catch vs. #24 NC State (9/7) while notching carer highs in punt returns (3) and punt return yards (58), including a career-long 31-yard return
- Started and has two receptions for 22 yards in UT's season-opening win over Chattanooga (8/31). Also added a 20-yard punt return in the victory

### NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- Full name is Marquarius Malik "Squirrel" White
- · Goes by his nickname "Squirrel"
- Nickname originated from his great grandmother who called him "Squirrel" when he was an infant
- A sprinter on his high school track and field team ,finishing second in the 100m and 200m at the AHSAA State Championship with times of 10.68 and 21.58, respectively
- Selected to Bruce Feldman's "Freaks List" by The Athletic in summer 2023
- X: @squirrelwhite3 | IG: squirrelwhite
- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 132

### **CAREER HIGHS**

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Receptions	10 (2x), last vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23
Receiving Yards	122 vs. UT Martin, 10/22/22
<b>Receiving Touchdov</b>	vns 1 (5x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Long Reception	83 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
Rushing Attempts	1 (3x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Rushing Yards	5 (2x), last vs. South Carolina, 9/30/23
Long Rush	5 (2x), last vs. South Carolina, 9/30/23
Punt Returns	3 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
Punt Return Yards	58 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
Long Punt Return	31 vs. NC State, 9/7/24

### **CAREER STATS**

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Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2022	12/2	30	481	16.0	40.1	2	64-2x	122-UTM
2023	13/13	67	803	12.0	61.8	2	83-CONN	111-ALA
2024	10/7	31	349	11.3	34.9	1	45-NCST	71-UF
Career	35/22	128	1633	12.8	46.7	5	83-CONN	122-UTM

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2022	12/2	1	5	5.0	0.4	0	5-LSU	5-LSU
2023	13/13	2	13	6.5	1.0	0	8-UGA	8-UGA
2024	10/7	1	-7	-7.0	-0.7	0		
Career	35/22	4	11	2.8	0.3	0	8-UGA	8-UGA

Punt Retur	ns No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2022	2	43	21.5	3.6	0	23-AKR	23-AKR
2023	1	0	0.0	0.0	0		
2024	7	112	16.0	12.4	0	31-NCST	58-NCST
Career	10	155	15.5	4.6	0	31-NCST	58-NCST

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	PR-Yds-TD, Lg
*Chattanooga	2-22-0, 11	1-20-0
vs. NC State	2-67-0, 45	3-58-0, 31
*Kent State	1-19-0, 19	1-22-0, 22
*at Oklahoma	3-13-0, 14	2-12-0, 8
*at Arkansas	7-38-0, 10	0-0-0
*Florida	5-71-0, 24	0-0-0
*Alabama	0-0-0	0-0-0
Kentucky	2-11-0, 6	0-0-0
Mississippi State	3-63-1, 34	0-0-0
*at Georgia	6-45-0, 17	0-0-0

2023 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	PR-Yds-TD, Lg
*vs. Virginia	6-45-0, 16	0-0-0
*Austin Peay	4-30-0, 20	0-0-0
*at Florida	3-68-0, 41	0-0-0
*UTSA	4-29-0, 11	0-0-0
*South Carolina	9-104-0, 50	1-5-0, 5
*Texas A&M	3-29-0, 17	0-0-0
*at Alabama	10-111-1, 39	0-0-0
*at Kentucky	4-46-0, 25	0-0-0
*UConn	2-94-1, 83	0-0-0
*at Missouri	4-53-0, 23	0-0-0
*Georgia	5-45-0, 19	1-8-0, 8
*Vanderbilt	10-110-0, 27	0-0-0
*vs. lowa	3-39-0, 18	1-0-0, 0

2022 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	PR-Yds-TD, Lg
Ball State	3-25-0, 14	0-0-0
at Pitt	0-0-0	0-0-0
Akron	1-47-0, 47	1-23-0, 23
Florida	0-0-0	0-0-0
at LSU	1-1-0, 1	0-0-0
Alabama		DNP
UT Martin	5-122-1, 64	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0	0-0-0
Missouri	2-64-0, 58	0-0-0
at South Carolina	5-96-0, 64	0-0-0
*at Vanderbilt	4-18-0, 9	1-20-0, 20
* vs. Clemson	9-108-1, 50	0-0-0

<sup>\* -</sup> denotes started

# **2024 ROSTER**

<b>No.</b> 0	<b>Name</b> Ethan Davis	Pos. TE	CI. R-FR	Exp. RS	<b>Ht.</b> 6-5	<b>Wt.</b> 246	Hometown/High School/Previous School Atlanta, Ga./Collins Hill
)	William Wright	DB	R-FR R-SR	2L	6-0	198	Nashville, Tenn./Ensworth
	Rickey Gibson III	DB	SO	1L	6-0	185	Trussville, Ala./Hewitt-Trussville
	Dont'e Thornton Jr.	WR	SR	1L	6-5	214	Baltimore, Md./Mount Saint Joseph/Oregon
)	Andre Turrentine	DB	R-JR	2L	5-11	195	Nashville, Tenn./Ensworth/Ohio State
	Jermod McCoy	DB	SO	TR	6-0	193	Whitehouse, Texas/Whitehouse/Oregon State
5	Squirrel White	WR	JR	2L	5-10	167	Birmingham, Ala./Clay-Chalkville
1	Jourdan Thomas	DB	JR	2L	6-2	205	Montgomery, Ala./Montgomery Catholic Prep
5	Christian Harrison Bru McCoy	DB WR	R-SO R-SR*	2L 2L	6-1 6-3	191 230	Atlanta, Ga./Woodward Academy Rolling Hills Estates, Calif./Mater Dei/Southern Ca
5	Jalen McMurray	DB	R-JR	TR	6-0	187	Upper Marlboro, Md./Gonzaga College HS/Temple
5	Dylan Sampson	RB	JR	2L	5-11	201	Baton Rouge, La./Dutchtown
7	Arion Carter	LB	SO	1L	6-1	234	Smyrna, Tenn./Smyrna
}	Nico lamaleava	QB	R-FR	1L	6-6	215	Long Beach, Calif./Warren
3	Kalib Perry	LB	JR	2L	6-3	231	Georgetown, Ky./Great Crossing
)	Jakobe Thomas	DB	R-JR	TR	6-2	200	Tullahoma, Tenn./Tullahoma/MTSU
0	Mike Matthews	WR	FR	HS	6-1	197	Lilburn, Ga./Parkview
0	Elijah Simmons	DL	R-SR*	4L	6-2	340	Memphis, Tenn./Pearl-Cohn (Nashville, Tenn.)
1 <u> </u>	Chas Nimrod Keenan Pili	WR LB	R-SO R-SR*	2L 1L	6-3 6-3	202 240	Bentonville, Ark./Bentonville Las Vegas, Nev./Timpview/BYU
2	Jake Merklinger	QB	FR	HS	6-3	215	Savannah, Ga./Calvary Day School
2	John Slaughter	DB	SO	1L	6-2	195	Clarksdale, Miss./Southaven
3	Gaston Moore	QB	R-SR	3L	6-2	212	Hilton Head, S.C./Hilton Head/UCF
3	Edwin Spillman	LB	FR	HS	6-1	234	Nashville, Tenn./Lipscomb Academy
4	Christian Charles	DB	R-JR	3L	6-1	200	Gainesville, Ga./Chestatee
4	Braylon Staley	WR	FR	HS	6-0	190	Aiken, S.C./Strom Thurmond
5	Ryan Damron	QB	R-FR	RS	6-0	205	Paris, Tenn./Henry County
5	Edrees Farooq	DB	FR	HS	6-0	200	Columbia, Md./Saint Frances Academy
7	Chris Brazzell II	WR	R-SO	TR	6-5	200	Midland, Texas/Midland Legacy/Tulane
8 8	DeSean Bishop Tyree Weathersby	RB DL	R-FR R-FR	RS RS	5-10 6-5	200 272	Knoxville, Tenn./Karns  Douglasville, Ga./New Manchester
3 <u> </u>	Joshua Josephs	DL	JR	2L	6-3	245	Kennesaw, Ga./North Cobb
9	Holden Staes	TE	JR	TR	6-4	248	Atlanta, Ga./Westminster School/Notre Dame
0	Bryson Eason	DL	R-SR	4L	6-3	310	Memphis, Tenn./Whitehaven
20	Khalifa Keith	RB	SO	1L	6-1	239	Birmingham, Ala./Parker
21	Navy Shuler	QB	R-SR	2L	6-0	203	Waynesville, N.C./Christ School/Appalachian Stat
21	Omari Thomas	DL	SR*	4L	6-4	325	Memphis, Tenn./Briarcrest Christian
2	Jeremiah Telander	LB	SO	1L	6-2	238	Gainesville, Ga./Gainesville
3	Boo Carter	DB	FR SO	HS 1L	5-11	195 222	Chattanooga, Tenn./Bradley Central
23 24	Cameron Seldon Hunter Barnes	RB RB	R-SO	SQ	6-2 6-0	196	Browns Store, Va./Northumberland Memphis, Tenn./Memphis School
24	Jordan Matthews	DB	R-FR	1L	6-2	182	Baton Rouge, La./Woodlawn
25	Kaleb Beasley	DB	FR	HS	6-1	200	Nashville, Tenn./Lipscomb Academy
26	Carson Whitehead	WR	R-SO	1L	5-10	178	Powell, Tenn./Powell
27	Peyton Lewis	RB	FR	HS	6-1	210	Salem, Va./Salem
27	James Pearce Jr.	DL	JR	2L	6-5	243	Charlotte, N.C./Chambers
8.	Marcus Goree Jr.	DB	FR	HS	6-1	185	Chattanooga, Tenn./Bradley Central
8	Patrick Wilk	RB	R-JR	3L	5-11	203	Nashville, Tenn./Montgomery Bell Academy
9	Jack-Henry Jakobik	WR	R-FR	RS	6-3	195	Brentwood, Tenn./Ravenwood
9	Jordan Ross Jamal Wallace	DL	FR	HS	6-5	245	Vestavia Hills, Ala./Vestavia Hills
0 0	Tommy Winton III	DL WR	JR R-SO	JC TR	6-3 5-10	317 196	Kansas City, Mo./Ruskin/Sierra College Knoxville, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic/ETSU
31	Caleb Herring	DL	SO SO	1L	6-5	249	Newnan, Ga./Riverdale (Tenn.)
31	Jackson Locke	WR	R-JR	SQ	6-0	175	Granville, Ohio/Newark/Findlay
3	Ben Bolton	LB	R-SO	2L	6-3	233	Memphis, Tenn./Lausanne Collegiate School
35	Will Brooks	DB	R-SR	3L	6-1	206	Birmingham, Ala./Vestavia Hills
6	Nathan Roberts	WR	R-FR	RS	6-4	212	Morristown, Tenn./Morristown-Hamblen East
7	Montrell Bandy	DB	R-JR	SQ	6-3	194	Mount Juliet, Tenn./Mount Juliet
8	Andre Stewart	DB	R-SO	TR	6-0	185	Kennesaw, Ga./North Cobb/Towson
9	Malcolm Kinzer	WR	FR	HS	6-2	185	Parker, Colo./Ponderosa
9	Jalen Smith Colin Brazzell	LB	R-FR FR	1L HS	6-2 6-1	230 170	Grayson, Ga./Grayson Midland, Texas/Midland Legacy
.0	JT Carver	DB PK	R-JR	2L	5-11	213	Martin, Tenn./Westview
2	Braylon Harmon	WR	FR	HS	5-9	180	Sevierville, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic
12	Tyre West	DL	JR	2L	6-3	290	Tifton, Ga./Tifton County
13	Jackson Mathews	DB	FR	HS	6-0	190	Franklin, Tenn./Christ Presbyterian Academy
14	Steele Katina	DB	FR	HS	6-1	187	Thompson's Station, Tenn./Independence
4	Luke Shouse	TE	R-SR	1L	6-6	250	Nolensville, Tenn./Ravenwood/Ole Miss
6	Cody Duncan	LB	R-JR	1L	6-1	242	Knoxville, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic/Virginia Tech
7	Matthew Salansky	LS	R-SR*	4L	5-11	250	Morristown, Tenn./Morristown West
18	Bennett Brady	LS	R-SO	1L	6-1	211	Memphis, Tenn./Evangelical Christian
_	William Satterwhite	OL	FR	HS	6-3	300	Barberton, Ohio/Archbishop Hoban
50 50	Ryan Scott	LB	FR	HS	6-0	204	Knoxville, Tenn./West

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	Name	Pos
59	Tim Amet	DL
<u>71</u>	Max Anderson	OL
90	Dominic Bailey	DL
37	Montrell Bandy	DE
24	Hunter Barnes	RE
25	Kaleb Beasley	DE
89	Mike Bethea II	DL
18	DeSean Bishop	RE
33	Ben Bolton	LE
58	Marshall Box	LS
17 40	Chris Brazzell II	WF
35	Colin Brazzell Will Brooks	DE
35 88	Charlie Browder	DE Te
54	Jordan Burns	LE
64	Ayden Bussell	OL
74		OL
747	Arion Carter	LE
23	Boo Carter	DE
41	JT Carver	Pk
- <del></del> 14	Christian Charles	DE
15	Ryan Damron	QE
66		OL
0	Ethan Davis	TE
46	Cody Duncan	LE
65	Trevor Duncan	OL
20	Bryson Eason	DL
15	Edrees Farooq	DE
95	Carson Gentle	DL
	Rickey Gibson III	DE
90	Max Gilbert	Pk
78	Gage Ginther	OL
28	Marcus Goree Jr.	DE
73	Brian Grant	OL
58	Herb Gray	DL
42	Braylon Harmon	WF
5	Christian Harrison	DE
86	Cole Harrison	TE
60	Jeremias Heard	OL
53	Lance Heard	OL
87	Joshua Helsdon	DL
31	Caleb Herring	DL
69	Gus Hill	OL
53	Daevin Hobbs	DL
8	Nico lamaleava	QE
96	Isaiah Inge	DL
29	Jack-Henry Jakobik	WF
97	Jayson Jenkins	DL
77	Larry Johnson III	OL
19	Joshua Josephs	DL
70	Andrej Karic	OL
44	Steele Katina	DE
20	Khalifa Keith	RE
<u>39</u>	Malcolm Kinzer	WF
<u>87</u>	Miles Kitselman	TE
<u>75</u>	Jackson Lampley	OI
<u>54</u>	Vysen Lang	OL W/E
<u>85</u>	Nathan Leacock	WF
27 56	Peyton Lewis	RE DI
<u>30</u> 31	Kellen Lindstrom Jackson Locke	WF
43	Jackson Mathews	DE
43	Jackson Matriews	- DE

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No.	Name	Pos.	CI.	Exp.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School/Previous School
51	Jaxson Moi	DL	JR	TR	6-2	307	Oceanside, Calif./Cathedral Catholic/Stanford
52	Eli Purcell	LB	SR	TR	6-2	230	Knoxville, Tenn./Farragut/Wofford
53	Lance Heard	OL	SO	TR	6-6	340	Bonita, La./Neville/LSU
53	Daevin Hobbs	DL	SO	1L	6-4	300	Concord, N.C./Jay M. Robinson
54	Jordan Burns	LB	FR	HS	6-1	220	Conyers, Ga./Pace Academy
54	Vysen Lang	OL	R-FR	RS	6-4	340	Pike Road, Ala./Pike Road
55	Omarr Norman-Lott	DL	SR	1L	6-3	315	North Highlands, Calif./Grant Union/Arizona State
56	Kellen Lindstrom	DL	FR	HS	6-5	240	Springfield, Mo./Glendale
57	Grier Short	LB	FR	HS	6-1	205	Franklin, Tenn./Ensworth
58	Marshall Box	LS	FR	HS	6-0	195	Jackson, Tenn./Univ. School of Jackson
58	Herb Gray	DL	FR	HS	6-3	270	Upper Marlboro, Md./C.H. Flowers
59	Tim Amet	DL	R-JR	SQ	6-4	354	Sevierville, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic
59	Masai Reddick	OL	R-SO	2L	6-5	350	Detroit, Mich./Cass Technical
60	Jeremias Heard	OL	FR	HS	6-8	320	Rome, Ga./Model
63	Cooper Mays	OL	SR*	4L	6-4	310	Kingston, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic
64	Ayden Bussell	OL	R-FR	RS	6-5	300	Mount Juliet, Tenn./Mount Juliet
65	Trevor Duncan	OL	R-FR	1L	6-6	300	Knoxville, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic
66	Dayne Davis	OL	R-SR*	3L	6-7	333	Bluff City, Tenn./Sullivan East
68	Bennett Warren	OL	FR	HS	6-7	342	Houston, Texas/Fort Bend Christian Academy
69	Gus Hill	OL	R-SO	SQ	6-4	301	Fayetteville, Tenn./Fayetteville
70	Andrej Karić	OL	SR	1L	6-6	314	Southlake, Texas/Southlake Carroll/Texas
71	Max Anderson	OL	FR	HS	6-5	311	Frisco, Texas/Reedy
72	Jesse Perry	OL	FR	HS	6-6	310	Murfreesboro, Tenn./Middle Tennessee Christian
73	Brian Grant	OL	R-SO	1L	6-7	337	Fort Walton Beach, Fla./Choctawhatchee
74	John Campbell Jr.	OL	R-SR*	1L	6-6	330	Orlando, Fla./Dr. Phillips/Miami
75	Jackson Lampley	OL	R-SR*	3L	6-4	325	Nashville, Tenn./Montgomery Bell Academy
76	Javontez Spraggins	OL	SR*	4L	6-3	330	East St. Louis, III./East St. Louis
77	Larry Johnson III	OL	R-SO	RS	6-7	350	Savannah, Ga./Alfred Ely Beach/Hutchinson (Kan.) CC
78	Gage Ginther	OL	FR	HS	6-5	310	Fort Collins, Colo./Fossil Ridge
79	Shamurad Umarov	OL	R-FR	1L	6-7	330	Alpharetta, Ga./Denmark
80	Nate Spillman	WR	R-FR	RS	6-2	200	Nashville, Tenn./Lipscomb Academy
82	Dayton Sneed	WR	R-FR	1L	6-0	196	Hermitage, Tenn./Donelson Christian Academy
83	Trey Weary	WR	R-SO	SQ	6-2	187	Houston, Texas/Manvel
84	Kaleb Webb	WR	R-SO	2L	6-3	204	Powder Springs, Ga./McEachern
85	Nathan Leacock	WR	R-FR	RS	6-3	217	Rolesville, N.C./Millbrook
86	Cole Harrison	TE	FR	HS	6-5	227	San Mateo, Calif./Junipero Serra
87	Joshua Helsdon	DL	R-SO	1L	6-4	290	Cleveland, Tenn./Bradley Central
87	Miles Kitselman	TE	SR	TR	6-5	256	Lyndon, Kan./Lyndon/Hutchinson (Kan.) CC/Alabama
88	Charlie Browder	TE	R-JR	2L	6-7	255	Kingsport, Tenn./Christ School/UCF
89	Mike Bethea II	DL	JR	TR	6-1	215	Maryville, Tenn./Maryville/Maryville College
89	Titus Rohrer	TE	R-SO	SQ	6-7	261	Bryan, Ohio/Bryan
90	Dominic Bailey	DL	R-SR	2L	6-3	292	Salisbury, Md./St. Frances Academy
90	Max Gilbert	PK	R-FR	1L	6-0	200	Memphis, Tenn./Lausanne Collegiate School
94	Nathan Robinson	DL	R-FR	RS	6-6	295	Greenbrier, Tenn./Greenbrier
94	Josh Turbyville	P/PK	R-SO	1L	6-2	209	Knoxville, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic
95	Carson Gentle	DL	FR	HS	6-3	250	Chattanooga, Tenn./McCallie School
96	Isaiah Inge	DL	FR	HS	6-1	276	Fresno, Calif./Buchanan
97	Jayson Jenkins	DL	R-SO	1L	6-6	281	Bordentown, N.J./Notre Dame (N.J.)
98	Emmanuel Okoye	DL	R-FR	RS	6-5	243	Lagos, Nigeria/NFL (UK) Academy
98	Jackson Ross	Р	R-SO	1L	6-3	204	Melbourne, Australia/Haileybury College

<sup>\* -</sup> denotes "super" senior

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2	Andre Turrentine	TUR-en-tine
3	Jermod McCoy	JUR-mahd
7	Arion Carter	air-EE-on
8	Nico lamaleava	ee-ah-MAH-LAY-ah-va
11	Chas Nimrod	CHAZZ
11	Keenan Pili	KEE-nan PEE-lee
12	Jake Merklinger	MURK-ling-ur
15	Edrees Farooq	EED-reez FUH-rook
17	Chris Brazzell II	BRAZ-ull
19	Holden Staes	STAYS
20	Khalifa Keith	kah-LEE-fah
22	Jeremiah Telander	TEE-lan-dur
29	Jack-Henry Jakobik	juh-KO-bick
40	Colin Brazzell	BRAZ-ull
42	Tyre West	tie-REE
47	Matthew Salansky	SUH-lan-skee

51	Jaxson Moi	MOY (rhymes with boy)
53	Daevin Hobbs	DAY-vin
54	Vysen Lang	VIE-sun
59	Masai Reddick	MUH-sye
64	Ayden Bussell	A-din
70	Andrej Karić	awn-DRAY KAHR-ich
76	Javontez Spraggins	juh-VAWN-tez SPRA-gins
79	Shamurad Umarov	oo-MAH-rawf (goes by Sham)
87	Miles Kitselman	KITS-ull-man
89	Titus Rohrer	ROAR-ur
98	Emmanuel Okoye	oh-KOY-ay

### Coaches

Offensive Coordinator/QBs Joey Halzle	HALLS-lee
Tight Ends Alec Abeln	ABE-lin
Special Teams Coordinator/OLB Mike Ekeler	ECK-lur

ALPHABETICAL					
No.	Name	Pos.			
24	Jordan Matthews	DB			
10	Mike Matthews	WR			
63	Cooper Mays	OL			
5	Bru McCoy	WR			
3	Jermod McCoy	DB			
6	Jalen McMurray	DB			
12	Jake Merklinger	QB			
51	Jaxson Moi	DL			
13	Gaston Moore	QB			
11	Chas Nimrod	WR			
55	Omarr Norman-Lott	DL			
98		DL			
27	James Pearce Jr.	DL			
72 8	Jesse Perry Kalib Perry	OL LB			
<u>°</u> 11	Keenan Pili	LB LB			
52	Eli Purcell	LB			
59	Masai Reddick	OL			
36	Nathan Roberts	WR			
94	Nathan Robinson	DL			
89	Titus Rohrer	TE			
98	Jackson Ross	P			
29	Jordan Ross	DL			
47	Matthew Salansky	LS			
6	Dylan Sampson	RB			
50	William Satterwhite	OL			
50	Ryan Scott	LB			
23	Cameron Seldon	RB			
57	Grier Short	LB			
44	Luke Shouse	TE			
21	Navy Shuler	QB			
10	Elijah Simmons	DL			
12	John Slaughter	DB			
39 82	Jalen Smith  Dayton Sneed	LB WR			
13					
	Edwin Spillman Nate Spillman	LB WR			
76		OL			
19	Javontez Spraggins Holden Staes	TE			
14	Braylon Staley	WR			
38	Andre Stewart	DB			
22	Jeremiah Telander	LB			
9	Jakobe Thomas	DB			
4	Jourdan Thomas	DB			
21	Omari Thomas	DL			
	Dont'e Thornton Jr.	WR			
94	Josh Turbyville	P/PK			
2	Andre Turrentine	DB			
79	Shamurad Umarov	OL			
30	Jamal Wallace	DL			
68	Bennett Warren	OL			
83 18	Trey Weary Tyree Weathersby	WR DL			
42	Tyre West	DL			
3	Squirrel White	WR			
26	Carson Whitehead	WR			
28	Patrick Wilk	RB			
30	Tommy Winton III	WR			
0	William Wright	DB			