

GAME 4 | SEPT. 20, 2025 | 12:45 P.M. ET | KNOXVILLE, TENN. | NEYLAND STADIUM (101,915)



TENNESSEE VOLUNTEERS

2-1 (0-1 SEC)

Head Coach: Josh Heupel
Record at UT: 39-16 (.709) // fifth season
Career Record: 67-24 (.736) // eighth season
Rankings: AP - 15 // Coaches - 15



UAB BLAZERS

2-1 (0-1 AAC)

VS

Head Coach: Trent Dilfer
Record at UAB: 9-18 (.333) // third season
Career Record: 9-18 (.333) // seventh season
Rankings: AP - NR // Coaches - NR

STORYLINES

- **THIRD STRAIGHT HOME GAME:** No. 15/15 Tennessee plays its third straight home game in as many weeks as it looks to bounce back against UAB at 12:45 p.m. ET Saturday in Neyland Stadium, which is sold out for the 23rd straight contest. The Volunteers remained at No. 15 in both polls this week following their overtime loss to No. 3 Georgia. UT and UAB are meeting for the first time since 2019, and the Vols lead the all-time series, 5-0, on the field. Tennessee, who was picked to finish ninth in the SEC, has won 13 of its last 16 regular season games. **Josh Heupel** has lost back-to-back games only three times as a head coach in his eight seasons. He owns a 16-3 record following a loss in the same season, including an 11-2 mark at Tennessee and a 5-1 record at UCF. The only two times it occurred at UT was in his first year of 2021 as the Vols dropped back-to-back games to No. 13 Ole Miss and No. 4 Alabama and then 2023 with back-to-back losses at No. 16 Mizzou and vs. No. 1 Georgia. UAB was picked to finish ninth in the AAC and is off to a 2-1 start following a 31-28 win over Akron. The Blazers also own a win over Alabama State and a loss to Navy.
- **OVERTIME THRILLER:** Tennessee saw its nine-game home winning streak come to an end in a 44-41 overtime loss to No. 6/3 Georgia in Neyland Stadium. The Vols held a 38-30 lead inside the four-minute mark, but the Bulldogs responded on a 28-yard fourth-down touchdown pass and converted the two-point play to push it into OT at 38 all. **Max Gilbert** missed a potential game-winning 43-yard field goal in the final seconds, but made a 42-yarder in overtime on UT's first possession. However, Georgia needed just three rushing plays to reach the endzone for the final score. QB **Joey Aguilar**, making his first SEC start, accounted for five touchdowns and was 24-of-36 for 371 yards and four passing touchdowns. Aguilar completed his first 14 passes - the third-longest streak in school history - and found WR **Chris Brazzell II** for TD passes of 72, 14 and 56 yards. Brazzell finished with a career-best 177 yards on six receptions. Tennessee led 21-7 at the end of the first quarter and 21-17 at halftime. The Vols finished with 496 yards of total offense, representing their most against Georgia since putting up 519 on Oct. 10, 2015. LB **Arion Carter** finished with a career-best 14 tackles, and DE **Joshua Josephs** registered a sack for the third straight game. Josephs had a key strip sack in the fourth quarter that led to a field goal. DE **Caleb Herring** had 2.5 tackles for loss.
- **HEUPEL ERA:** Since taking over a program that was 3-7 prior to his arrival, **Josh Heupel** owns a 39-16 record and has won 14 of his last 18 games. Since 2018, he ranks sixth nationally among active FBS head coaches in victories with 67. Heupel signed an extension through January 2030 on Aug. 26. Heupel's .709 winning percentage is the second-highest by a Vol coach in the last five decades, trailing only Fulmer's .745 in that span. Heupel's next win will be his 40th as the Vols' coach, and he is seeking to become just the seventh head coach and first since Fulmer to reach that feat.
- **SEC LEADERS:** Tennessee leads the SEC in scoring offense (52.7 - 6th FBS) and passing offense (358.7 - 7th FBS). The Vols have scored at least 30 points in five straight regular season games. WR **Chris Brazzell II** leads the SEC and is tied for the FBS lead with five receiving touchdowns. Defensively, the Vols have the SEC leader in tackles (LB **Arion Carter** with 27), pass breakups (CB **Colton Hood** with five), sacks (DE **Joshua Josephs** with 3) and forced fumbles (DE **Joshua Josephs** with two). Tennessee is averaging 568.7 yards of total offense, which is third in the SEC and sixth in the FBS. The Vols have ranked in the top 20 nationally in total offense in all five seasons under **Josh Heupel**. UT is tied for the SEC lead in 10+ yard pass plays (42), 50+ yard pass plays (4), 60+ yard pass plays (2) and 70+ yard plays (2 - had 2 entire '24 season).

BY THE NUMBERS

19-3

non-conference record by UT in **Josh Heupel** era, including 17-1 in regular season (put up at least 30 points in all 18 reg. season games)

290.9

average yards of total offense per game by QB **Joey Aguilar** in his FBS career, is the active FBS career leader in the category

32

games producing 200 rushing yards in the **Josh Heupel** era and own a 30-2 record when doing so (won 24 in a row when doing so)

1

sacks allowed by UT this season, the fewest in the SEC (1 sack allowed on intentional grounding vs. Georgia)

ON THE AIR

TV: SEC NETWORK

Play-by-Play: Taylor Zarzour
Analyst: Matt Stinchcomb
Sideline Reporter: Alyssa Lang

RADIO: VOL NETWORK

Local: WIVK-FM 107.7 | WNML-FM 99.1
SiriusXM: Ch. 106 or Ch. 190
SiriusXM App: Ch. 960
Web: UTsports.com
App: Tennessee Athletics
Play-by-Play: Mike Keith
Analysts: Ramon Foster, Jayson Swain
Sideline Reporter: Brent Hubbs

RADIO: SPANISH BROADCAST

Local: WNML-AM 990
Play-by-Play: Carlos Lopez
Analyst: JP Vasquez

THE SCHEDULE

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

AUGUST (1-0)

30 vs. Syracuse[^] ABC W, 45-26

SEPTEMBER (1-1)

6 ETSU SECN+ W, 72-17
 13 #6/3 Georgia* ABC L, 44-41 OT
 20 UAB SECN 12:45 p.m.
 27 at Mississippi State* SECN 4:15 p.m.

OCTOBER

11 Arkansas* TBD Flex
 18 at #14/14 Alabama* TBD Flex
 25 at Kentucky* TBD Night

NOVEMBER

1 #11/12 Oklahoma* TBD Flex
 15 New Mexico St. (HC) SECN 4:15 p.m.
 22 at Florida* TBD Flex
 29 #20/23 Vanderbilt* TBD Afternoon

* - denotes SEC game

[^] - denotes Aflac Kickoff Game (Atlanta)

Flex - 3:30-4:30 p.m. ET or 6-8 p.m. ET

Afternoon - 3:30-4:30 p.m. ET

Night - 6-8 p.m. ET

THE COACHING STAFF

Josh Heupel, Head Coach (5th)
Alec Abeln[^], TE (5th, 3rd as TE)
Tim Banks[^], DC (5th)
Evan Crabtree, ST (4th, 1st as ST)
Glen Elarbee, OL (5th)
Rodney Garner, DL (7th, 5th on this staff)
Joey Halzle[^], OC/QB (5th, 3rd as OC)
Levon Harbin, OLB (5th, 1st as OLB)
William Inge, LB (2nd)
Willie Martinez, DB (9th, 5th on this staff)
Kelsey Pope, WR (5th, 4th as WR)
De'Rail Sims, RB (2nd)

() - 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 via email.
- **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.

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 student-athletes 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.

THE MIKE KEITH SHOW - THURSDAYS

- *The Mike Keith Show*, hosted by the new Voice of the Vols, will feature a segment with head coach Josh Heupel on Thursdays during the season. *The Mike Keith Show* airs live from 3-5 p.m. ET Thursdays on the Tennessee Athletics YouTube Channel and participating Vol Radio Network affiliates across the state of Tennessee, including Knoxville flagship station WIVK 107.7 FM, on Thursday or Friday evenings.

BIG ORANGE REWIND - SUNDAYS

- "Voice of the Vols" Mike Keith and analyst Brent Hubbs will host a live, statewide radio show, *Big Orange Rewind* presented by Calhoun's, on Vol Radio Network affiliates from 6-8 p.m. ET during football season. An on-demand video replay of the show will be available on Mondays on YouTube.

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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 four 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 four 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. Access is also available through Gate 25.

- **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.



WEEK 4 MEDIA SCHEDULE: UAB (subject to change, all times Eastern)

SUNDAY [14]	MONDAY [15]	TUESDAY [16]	WEDNESDAY [17]	THURSDAY [18]	FRIDAY [19]	SATURDAY [20]
off day no media availability	12:15 p.m. ET - Head Coach Josh Heupel Press Conference followed by select players in north studio	approx. 11:20 a.m. ET - post practice assistant coach media availability (LB Coach Inge, WR Coach Kelsey Pope) followed by select players in north studio	11:50 a.m. ET - Head Coach Josh Heupel on SEC Media Teleconference	no media availability 3-5 p.m. - <i>The Mike Keith Show</i> on Tennessee Athletics YouTube (Head Coach Josh Heupel segment)	no media availability	Game 4: vs. UAB 12:45 p.m. Neyland Stadium SECN • Vol Network Postgame Coach Heupel and select players available in Stokely Media Center

SERIES HISTORY vs. UAB

6TH MEETING

TENNESSEE LEADS (4-0 NCAA, 5-0 on-field)

in Knoxville: 5-0

in Birmingham: N/A

at Neutral Site: N/A

Biggest Win: 32 points (35-3, 2008 in Knoxville)

Biggest Loss: N/A

Longest Winning Streak: 5 games (1998-pres.)

Longest Losing Streak: N/A

Current Streak: Tennessee 5 games

1998	Knoxville	W	37-13
2005	Knoxville	W	17-10
2008	Knoxville	W	35-3
2010	Knoxville (2OT)	W	32-29
2019	Knoxville	W^	30-7

* - denotes win vacated by the ruling of the NCAA COI penalty (July 2023)

TOP PERFORMANCES vs. UAB

RUSHING

Rushing Yards:

110, Gerald Riggs Jr, 2005

100-Yard Rushing Games:

3, last Arian Foster, 100, 2008

Touchdowns:

2, Lennon Creer, 2008

Attempts:

23, Gerald Riggs Jr, 2005

Longest Rush:

45, Lennon Creer, 2008

RECEIVING

Receiving Yards:

132, Lucas Taylor, 2008

100-Yard Rec. Games:

2, last Lucas Taylor, 132, 2008

Touchdowns:

2 (2x), last Denarius Moore, 2010

Catches:

9, Lucas Taylor, 2008

Longest Reception:

72, Zach Rogers, 2010

PASSING

Passing Yards:

275, Tee Martin, 1998

Completions:

19 (2x), last Matt Simms, 2010

Attempts:

34, Matt Simms, 2010

Touchdowns:

3, Matt Simms, 2010

Longest Pass:

72, Matt Simms, 2010

NOTING THE TENNESSEE-UAB SERIES

- Tennessee owns a perfect 5-0 record on the field against UAB. The last meeting on Nov. 2, 2019, was vacated by the NCAA COI during Jeremy Pruitt's tenure, and the Vols' NCAA record is 4-0 vs. the Blazers.
- The Vols have scored at least 30 points in four of the five previous meetings.
- UAB head coach Trent Dilfer coached at Lipscomb Academy in Nashville from 2019-22. Dilfer coached Tennessee defensive back **Kaleb Beasley** and linebacker **Edwin Spillman** at Lipscomb. Beasley was named the Defensive Player of the Year by the Tennessean in 2022 under Dilfer's watch as the Mustangs won back-to-back state championships.
- The Sept. 25, 2010, meeting went two overtimes as UAB rallied from a 23-7 halftime deficit. Matt Simms threw the game-winner, a 25-yard touchdown to Denarius Moore on UT's first play of the second overtime to give the Vols a 32-29 victory following a UAB field goal.
- Josh Heupel** has never faced UAB as a head coach.
- 259 miles separate the two campuses from Birmingham to Knoxville.

STAT COMPARISON

CATEGORY	TENNESSEE		UAB	
	VALUE	SEC (FBS) RANK	VALUE	AC (FBS) RANK
3rd D Conv. Pct.	0.579	4 (12)	0.406	9 (73)
3rd D Conv. Pct. Defense	0.326	10 (50)	0.575	14 (130)
4th D Conv. Pct.	0.00	14 (130)	0.429	10 (97)
4th D Conv. Pct Defense	0.714	14 (107)	0.500	6 (51)
Blocked Kicks	---	---	---	---
Completion Pct.	0.672	9 (42)	0.703	4 (29)
Fewest Penalties P/G	7.67	11 (103)	4.33	2 (22)
Fewest Penalty Yds P/G	64.00	13 (102)	33.67	2 (18)
First Downs Defense	62	16 (97)	67	11 (106)
First Downs Offense	86	2 (6)	73	4 (27)
Fumbles Lost	2	12 (84)	1	5 (39)
Fumbles Recovered	2	4 (24)	1	8 (56)
Kickoff Return Defense	15.50	5 (37)	19.00	8 (66)
Kickoff Returns	21.00	9 (60)	22.86	2 (31)
Net Punting	43.00	6 (28)	36.00	14 (111)
Passes Had Intercepted	2	6 (57)	3	11 (91)
Passes Intercepted	2	9 (57)	---	---
Passing Offense	358.7	1 (7)	303.0	3 (23)
Passing Yds Allowed	248.3	15 (107)	254.0	11 (109)
Passing Yds per Comp.	13.79	4 (20)	12.80	3 (44)
Punt Return Defense	12.00	13 (110)	8.00	9 (90)
Punt Returns	13.33	7 (27)	11.40	4 (39)
Red Zone Defense	0.917	15 (97)	1.000	9 (101)
Red Zone Offense	0.944	7 (30)	0.769	10 (99)
Rushing Defense	116.7	11 (56)	218.7	14 (129)
Rushing Offense	210.0	6 (33)	148.7	10 (84)
Sacks Allowed	0.33	1 (6)	1.00	6 (26)
Scoring Defense	29.0	16 (105)	36.0	14 (121)
Scoring Offense	52.7	1 (6)	35.7	6 (50)
Tackles for Loss Allowed	2.67	1 (5)	4.00	2 (30)
Team Passing Efficiency	173.00	5 (23)	159.56	4 (34)
Team Passing Effic. Defense	132.80	14 (89)	194.19	14 (133)
Team Sacks	3.67	1 (6)	2.33	6 (53)
Team Tackles for Loss	6.7	5 (38)	6.0	6 (64)
Time of Possession	27:21	14 (107)	27:49	13 (103)
Total Defense	365.0	14 (85)	472.7	14 (129)
Total Offense	568.7	3 (6)	451.7	4 (40)
Turnover Margin	0.00	10 (64)	-1.00	11 (107)
Turnovers Gained	4	6 (48)	1	11 (117)
Turnovers Lost	4	9 (77)	4	11 (77)

THE LAST MEETING

UAB	0	0	0	7	7
TENNESSEE	6	17	7	0	30

Nov. 2, 2019 | Neyland Stadium | Knoxville, Tenn. | Attendance: 85,791

Thompson's Picks Propel UT To Homecoming Victory

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. - Sophomore cornerback Bryce Thompson tied a Tennessee single-game record with three interceptions, and the Vols turned four UAB turnovers into 20 points in a 30-7 Homecoming win before 85,791 fans at Neyland Stadium.

Quarterback Jarrett Guarantano, playing one week after hand surgery, completed 13 of 21 passes for 147 yards with a touchdown and an interception.

Jauan Jennings led Tennessee's receivers with five catches for 70 yards, moving into ninth place on the school's career receiving yards list (1,906), and added a two-yard rushing score.

Ty Chandler rushed for 85 yards and a touchdown on 16 carries.

Defensively, Tennessee held UAB to 237 total yards, including just 63 rushing.

Brent Cimaglia booted three first-half field goals, including a career-long 53-yarder, to help build a 23-0 halftime lead. Chandler's 11-yard TD run and Jennings' short rushing score followed Thompson's takeaways.

Guarantano added a 13-yard touchdown pass to freshman Eric Gray late in the third quarter for a 30-0 advantage. UAB avoided a shutout when backup quarterback Dylan Hopkins, a Maryville High product, connected on a 15-yard TD pass with 2:35 remaining.

STAT LEADERS

UAB

Rushing	Att	Yds	TD	Long	Avg.
Stanley	9	34	0	9	3.8
Brown	4	22	0	9	5.5
Hopkins	2	6	0	6	3.0
Mitchell	1	4	0	4	4.0
Haden	2	4	0	2	2.0
Team	1	-1	0	0	-1.0
Johnston III	6	-6	0	4	-1.0
Totals	25	63	0	9	2.5

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long
Johnston III	11-22-3	136	0	26
Hopkins	3-8-0	38	1	15
Totals	14-30-3	174	1	26

Receiving	No.	Yds	TD	Long
Mitchell	5	63	0	26
Watkins	3	34	0	23
Stanley	3	30	1	15
Parham	2	30	0	21
Pittman	1	17	0	17
Totals	14	174	1	26

TENNESSEE

Rushing	Att	Yds	TD	Long	Avg.
Chandler	16	85	1	31	5.3
Jordan	6	19	0	8	3.2
Shrout	1	10	0	10	10.0
Gray	8	8	0	6	1.0
Palmer	1	4	0	4	4.0
Crouch	2	3	0	2	1.5
Jennings	1	2	1	2	2.0
Guarantano	4	-10	0	8	-2.5
Totals	39	121	2	31	3.1

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long
Guarantano	13-21-1	147	1	23
Shrout	3-6-0	34	0	29
Total	16-27-1	181	1	29

Receiving	No.	Yds	TD	Long
Jennings	5	70	0	23
Wood-Anderson	3	34	0	23
Chandler	2	14	0	9
Craig	1	29	0	29
Gray	1	13	1	13
Callaway	1	10	0	10
Pope	1	6	0	6
Palmer	1	4	0	4
Warren	1	1	0	1
Totals	16	181	1	29

SCORING SUMMARY

Qtr	Time	Team	Scoring Play	P-Yds.	TOP	Score
1st	13:27	UT	Cimaglia,B. 36 yd field goal	4-1	1:19	0-3
1st	04:44	UT	Cimaglia,B. 48 yd field goal	11-56	5:39	0-6
2nd	13:38	UT	Cimaglia,B. 53 yd field goal	4-5	1:00	0-9
2nd	11:36	UT	Chandler,T. 11 yd run (Cimaglia,B. kick)	5-30	1:52	0-16
2nd	03:08	UT	Jennings,J. 2 yd run (Cimaglia,B. kick)	6-43	3:29	0-23
3rd	01:08	UT	Gray,E. 13 yd pass from Guarantano,J. (Cimaglia,B. kick)	11-74	6:07	0-30
4th	02:35	UAB	Stanley,L. 15 yd pass from Hopkins,D. (Vogel,N. kick)	11-66	5:05	7-30

NATIONAL POLLS

ASSOCIATED PRESS (SEPT. 14)

Rank	School	Points	Record
1	Ohio State (55)	1631	3-0
2	Penn State (5)	1490	3-0
3	LSU (2)	1470	3-0
4	Miami (Fla.) (3)	1434	3-0
5	Georgia	1428	3-0
6	Oregon (1)	1423	3-0
7	Florida State	1123	2-0
8	Texas	1111	2-1
9	Illinois	1110	3-0
10	Texas A&M	1101	3-0
11	Oklahoma	1056	3-0
12	Iowa State	820	4-0
13	Ole Miss	748	3-0
14	Alabama	599	2-1
15	Tennessee	583	2-1
16	Utah	573	3-0
17	Texas Tech	538	3-0
18	Georgia Tech	511	3-0
19	Indiana	458	3-0
20	Vanderbilt	397	3-0
21	Michigan	356	2-1
22	Auburn	344	3-0
23	Missouri	292	3-0
24	Notre Dame	207	0-2
25	Southern Cal.	105	3-0

RV: BYU 94, South Florida 83, South Carolina 82, Mississippi St. 69, TCU 67, Arizona St. 57, Tulane 33, Louisville 25, Nebraska 9, Baylor 6, Clemson 6, SMU 4, NC State 4, UNLV 2, Navy 1.

AFCA COACHES (SEPT. 14)

Rank	School	Points	Record
1	Ohio State (62)	1668	3-0
2	Penn State (3)	1559	3-0
3	Georgia (1)	1501	3-0
4	LSU (1)	1468	3-0
5	Oregon	1444	3-0
6	Miami (Fla.)	1379	3-0
7	Texas	1209	2-1
8	Illinois	1150	3-0
9	Florida State	1023	2-0
10	Texas A&M	1003	3-0
11	Mississippi	951	3-0
12	Oklahoma	906	3-0
13	Iowa State	896	4-0
14	Alabama	630	2-1
15	Tennessee	625	2-1
16	Texas Tech	563	3-0
17	Indiana	550	3-0
18	Utah	510	3-0
19	Georgia Tech	333	3-0
20	Michigan	316	2-1
21	Notre Dame	296	0-2
22	Missouri	252	3-0
23	Vanderbilt	249	3-0
24	South Carolina	198	2-1
25	Auburn	160	3-0

RV: Arizona St. 94, BYU 92, Georgia Tech 78, Florida 70, Southern Cal 64, TCU 58, Mississippi St. 52, Louisville 49, SMU 26, Nebraska 10, Tulane 9, Baylor 7, UNLV 5, Pittsburgh 3, Navy 2, Memphis 1, Vanderbilt 1.

VOLS IN THE POLLS WEEK-BY-WEEK

Week	AP	Coaches
Preseason	24	18
Week 2 (9/2)	22	17
Week 3 (9/7)	15	15
Week 4 (9/14)	15	15

The first College Football Playoff Rankings will be announced on Tuesday, Nov. 4 at 8 p.m. ET.

2025 HONORS

Head Coach Josh Heupel

- Dodd Trophy Watch List

Special Teams Coordinator Evan Crabtree

- 247Sports 30 Under 30 List

Joey Aguilar, QB, Sr.

- Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award Watch List
- Manning Award Star of the Week (vs. Syracuse, 9/2)

DeSean Bishop, RB, R-So.

- Doak Walker Award Watch List
- Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)

Chris Brazzell II, WR, R-Jr.

- East-West Shrine Bowl Breakout Offensive Player of the Week (vs. Georgia, 9/15)
- Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award PoTW Honorable Mention (vs. Georgia, 9/16)
- Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award PoTW Honorable Mention (vs. ETSU, 9/9)
- Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award Watch List
- Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Coaches)

Arion Carter, LB, Jr.

- Bednarik Award Watch List
- Butkus Award Watch List
- All-SEC Second Team (Athlon)
- All-SEC Third Team (Media, Coaches)

Boo Carter, DB, So.

- Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Media, Coaches)
- Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)

Bryson Eason, DL, R-Sr.

- Allstate Wuerffel Trophy Watch List
- Allstate/AFCA Good Hands Team Nominee
- Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Athlon)

Rickey Gibson III, DB, Jr.

- Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Athlon)

Max Gilbert, PK, R-So.

- Lou Groza Award Watch List

Colton Hood, DB, R-So.

- SEC Co-Defensive Player of the Week (vs. Syracuse, 9/1)

Lance Heard, OL, Jr.

- Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Coaches)
- Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)

Joshua Josephs, DL, Sr.

- Preseason All-SEC Second Team (Athlon)
- Senior Bowl Top 300 List

Miles Kitselman, TE, R-Sr.

- Mackey Award Watch List
- Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Coaches)
- Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)
- Senior Bowl Top 300 List

Jermody McCoy, DB, Jr.

- Bednarik Award Watch List
- Nagurski Award Watch List
- Thorpe Award Watch List
- Lott IMPACT Trophy Watch List
- ESPN Top 100 Players List (No.31)
- Preseason All-America First Team (AP, Athlon, ESPN, PFF, Sporting News, Walter Camp)
- All-SEC First Team (Athlon, Coaches, Media)
- Senior Bowl Top 300 List

NOTEBOOK

JOEY FOOTBALL TIME

- Tennessee is starting a new quarterback for the fourth straight season as graduate transfer **Joey Aguilar** takes the reins after earning the job in preseason camp. The Vols and Kentucky are the only SEC teams to start a new QB for four straight years from 2022-25. Tennessee is one of four teams who reached last year's College Football Playoff to start a new QB for at least four straight years, joining Ohio State, Notre Dame and Indiana. The Vols started Hendon Hooker in 2022, Joe Milton III in 2023 and Nico Iamaleava in 2024.
- **Aguilar's** unique timeline includes stops at City College of San Francisco (2019), Diablo Valley Community College in central California (2021-22), Appalachian State (2023-24) and UCLA (spring of 2025). After completing his senior season at App State, Aguilar entered the portal on Dec. 24, 2024, before committing to UCLA on Dec. 28, 2024. He spent the spring in Los Angeles and entered the transfer portal on April 21, committing to Tennessee. Aguilar graduated from App State in communication studies on May 10, 2025, before arriving in Knoxville in late May. He began the Vols' summer program on June 1, went through preseason camp, and the 24-year-old was named the starter on Sunday, Aug. 17.
- **Aguilar** is the FBS active career leader in total offense per game (290.9, min. 2,500 yards). That mark is 24.7 yards per game better than second place held by Colton Joseph of Old Dominion (266.2). Aguilar is also the FBS active career leader in passing yards per game (273.8). E.J. Warner of Fresno State is second (264.7).
- **Aguilar** will be making his 28th FBS start in his 29th career FBS game when he takes on UAB. Aguilar owns a 15-12 overall record and a 2-1 mark as a starter at Tennessee.
- As a junior in 2003, **Aguilar** broke three single-season records at App State, including touchdown passes (33), passing yards (3,757) and total offense (4,002). For his FBS career, he has produced 7,493 yards of total offense - 7,007 passing yards and 486 rushing yards.
- **Aguilar** is the first Tennessee starting quarterback to wear No. 6 since Alan Cockrell did from 1982-83. **Aguilar** is just the second UT player to hail from Antioch, California. Offensive tackle Albert Toeaina (2004-05) did as well and also began his career at City College of San Francisco.
- **Aguilar** made his Tennessee debut against Syracuse in the Aflac Kickoff Game, accounting for 281 yards of total offense - 247 passing and 34 rushing. He was 16-of-28 with three touchdowns and no picks. It was the 12th three-or-more TD passing game for Aguilar in his FBS career. He did it 11 times at App State.
- The big blow in **Aguilar's** debut was a 73-yard strike to WR **Braylon Staley** in the second quarter. The completion was also the third longest of Aguilar's career after connecting on passes of 83 yards (vs. ETSU in 2024) and 77 yards (at Georgia State in 2023) during his time with App State. The 73-yard bomb by **Aguilar** to **Staley** was the longest pass play in the SEC in Week 1 and tied for the longest in the Power Four. Southern Cal's Jayden Maiava and Eli Sanders also had a 73-yarder vs. Missouri State.
- **Aguilar** has thrown for over 200 yards in all 27 of his previous FBS starts. He's thrown multiple touchdown passes in five straight games and 21 of his 27 starts.
- **Aguilar** has already hit on four 50+ yard pass plays this season. He's one of two SEC quarterbacks to do that this season, joining Mississippi State's Blake Shapen (4). The Vols had six 50+ yard pass plays all of last season.
- **Aguilar** ranks in the top 10 nationally in passing touchdowns (fifth - 9), passing yards (10th - 906) and points responsible for (seventh - 60).
- **Aguilar's** first SEC start against Georgia on Sept. 13 was an all-timer. He threw for 371 yards, accounted for five touchdowns and threw for four touchdowns. The 371 passing yards tied for the most ever by a Vol vs. Georgia, matching Peyton Manning's 371 in 1996. The four passing touchdowns matched Jonathan Crompton's four in 2009. Aguilar's 371 pass yards were also the most by a Vol in an SEC contest since Joe Milton III threw for 383 against Vanderbilt on Nov. 25, 2023.
- **Aguilar** posted the third-most consecutive completions in a game by a Tennessee quarterback with his 14-of-14 start to the game vs. Georgia. That start trailed only the 23—at the time an FBS record—by Tee Martin on Oct. 31, 1998, at South Carolina and the 15 by Erik Ainge on Sept. 9, 2006, versus Air Force. Per ESPN Insights, Aguilar was the first SEC quarterback to go 14-of-14 (or better) in any quarter over the last 20 seasons (2006-25). Aguilar led the Vols to touchdowns on their first three drives against the Bulldogs.
- In addition, **Aguilar** became the fifth Tennessee quarterback this century to throw for 350-plus yards against an AP top-25 opponent, including the second to do so versus a team ranked sixth or better. The four prior occurrences—only two of which featured a higher yardage total than Aguilar's 371—were as follows:
 - Hendon Hooker vs. #3 Alabama on Oct. 15, 2022 — 21-of-30 for 385 yards
 - Joshua Dobbs at #9 Texas A&M (2OT) on Oct. 8, 2016 — 28-of-47 for 398 yards
 - Tyler Bray at #17 South Carolina on Oct. 27, 2012 — 27-of-43 for 368 yards
 - Erik Ainge vs. #18 Wisconsin on Jan. 1, 2008, in Outback Bowl (Tampa, Fla.) — 25-of-43 for 365 yards
- **Joey Aguilar** became just the third player with 350+ yards passing and 4+ passing touchdowns against Georgia in the Kirby Smart era (2016-present). The others ended up being Heisman Trophy finalists:
 - Kyle Trask of Florida on Nov. 7, 2020 — 474 yards, 4 TDs
 - Mac Jones of Alabama on Oct. 17, 2020 — 417 yards, 4 TDs

16 STRAIGHT NON-CONFERENCE REGULAR SEASON WINS

- Tennessee puts its non-conference regular season winning streak on the line. The Vols have won 16 non-SEC regular season games in a row. The current streak dates back to a Sept. 18, 2021, a 56-0 victory vs. Tennessee Tech. The Vols' last non-conference regular season loss was to Pitt on Sept. 11, 2021, in what was **Josh Heupel's** second game at UT.
- Tennessee is 19-3 overall vs. non-SEC foes under **Josh Heupel**, including 17-1 in the regular season. UT has outscored non-conference opponents 1,084-331 in the Heupel era.
- The Vols have won 16 of their last 17 games overall vs. non-conference competition with the only loss occurring last December at eventual national champion Ohio State in the College Football Playoff.

2025 HONORS

Wendell Moe Jr., OL, R-Jr.

- On3 Preseason All-Transfer Portal Team

Jaxson Moi, DL, Sr.

- Polynesian College Player of the Year Award Watch List

Jackson Ross, P, R-Jr.

- Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)

David Sanders Jr., OL, Fr.

- Shaun Alexander Freshman of the Year Award Watch List
- On3 True Freshman Preseason All-America Team

Braylon Staley, WR, R-Fr.

- SEC Freshman of the Week (vs. Syracuse, 9/1)

Star Thomas, RB, Sr.

- Doak Walker Award Watch List

QUICK FACTS

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

Conference: Southeastern

Enrollment: 36,954

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: 500-142-17 (.772)

NCAA Record at Neyland: 494[^]-142-17 (.770)

First Year of Football: 1891 (129th season)

All-Time NCAA Record: 877[^]-419-54 (.670)

All-Time On-Field Record: 888-419-54 (.672)

All-Time SEC NCAA Record: 356[^]-236-19 (.598)

All-Time SEC On-Field Record: 364-236-19 (.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)

College Football Playoff Appearances: 1

(2024)

[^] - denotes 11 wins from 2019-20 were vacated by NCAA Committee on Infractions penalty ruling in July 2023

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 45/39

Offense: 15/21

Defense: 26/16

Specialists: 4/2

Starters Returning/Lost: 11/11

Offense: 3/8

Defense: 8/3

NOTEBOOK

BRAZZELL DAZZLE

- Jr. WR **Chris Brazzell II** is off to a torrid start to the 2025 season, as he is tied for the FBS lead in receiving touchdowns (5). He ranks second in the FBS in receiving yards (364), third in receiving yards per game (121.3) and tied for first in 50+ yard receptions (2).
- Brazzell**, who is in his second season as a Vol after transferring from Tulane, has produced back-to-back 100-yard receiving games and two straight games with multiple touchdown catches.
- Brazzell** had the best game of his career in the SEC opener against Georgia, catching six passes for a career-best 177 yards and three touchdowns. He scored on plays of 72, 14 and 56 yards. The 177 yards represented the most by a Vol in a game since Jalin Hyatt's infamous 207-yard, five-touchdown performance against Alabama on Oct. 15, 2022.
- Over the last four seasons (2022-25), **Brazzell II** is now one of just three SEC players—two are Vols—to record 175 receiving yards and three receiving touchdowns in a single game. The others are Ole Miss' Jordan Watkins at Arkansas on Nov. 2, 2024, and Tennessee's Jalin Hyatt versus Alabama on Oct. 15, 2022.
- Additionally, **Brazzell** became the fifth SEC player to achieve that stat line against an AP top-10 foe this century. Both players to do it at home are Volunteers. The others are as follows:
 - Tennessee's Jalin Hyatt vs. #3 Alabama on Oct. 15, 2022 — 6 rec., 207 yards, 3 TD
 - Alabama's DeVonta Smith vs. #3 Ohio State on Jan. 11, 2021, in the CFP National Championship Game 12 rec., 215 yards, 3 TD
 - LSU's Justin Jefferson vs. #4 Oklahoma on Dec. 28, 2019, in the Peach Bowl — 14 rec., 227 yards, 4 TD
 - South Carolina's Deebo Samuel at #2 Clemson on Nov. 24, 2018 — 10 rec., 210 yards, 3 TD

34 VOLS HAVE MADE THEIR DEBUTS THIS SEASON

- Twenty-one Vols made their Tennessee debuts in the Aflac Kickoff Game win over Syracuse in Atlanta. Fifteen of those 21 made their collegiate debuts overall, including 15 true freshmen. The list includes: Sr. QB **Joey Aguilar**, Fr. LB **Brenden Anes***, Fr. RB **Justin Baker***, Fr. TE **DaSaahn Brame***, Fr. DL **Mariyon Dye***, Fr. LB **Jaedon Harmon***, RS-So. CB **Colton Hood**, Fr. WR **Radarious Jackson***, Fr. DB **Timothy Merritt***, RS-Jr. OL **Wendell Moe Jr.**, Fr. RB **Daune Morris***, RS-So. OL **Sam Pendleton**, Fr. LB **Jadon Perlotte***, Fr. DB **Tre Poteat***, Fr. CB **Ty Redmond***, RS-Jr. DL **Josh Schell**, Fr. WR **Travis Smith Jr.**, Sr. RB **Star Thomas**, Fr. DL **Ethan Utley***, Fr. TE **Jack Van Dorselaer*** and Fr. DB **Sidney Walton***.
- An additional 13 Vols made their UT debuts in the home opener against ETSU on Sept. 6: DL **Isaiah Campbell***, DL **Joakim Dodson***, DL **Herb Gray***, DL **Charles House III***, WR **Amari Jefferson** (transfer), DB **Steele Katina***, DB **Dylan Lewis***, QB **George MacIntyre***, TE **Seamus Meagher***, OL **Nic Moore***, OL **Antoni Ogumoro***, DL **Emmanuel Okoye***, QB **Mason Phillips*** and OL **Charlie Powell III***.

* - denotes collegiate debut

- A total of 24 true freshmen have played this season for Tennessee.

13 FIRST-TIME STARTERS THIS SEASON

- A total of 11 players - eight on offense and three on defense - made their first Tennessee starts in the Aflac Kickoff Game vs. Syracuse. Six of the 11 made their first collegiate starts overall - five on offense and one on defense.
- The UT first-time starters vs. Syracuse included: QB **Joey Aguilar** (24 starts at App State), RB **DeSean Bishop**, S **Edrees Farooq**, CB **Colton Hood** (1 start at Colorado), WR **Mike Matthews**, RG **Wendell Moe Jr.** (27 starts at Arizona), DT **Jaxson Moi** (8 starts at Stanford), C **Sam Pendleton** (7 starts at Notre Dame), RT **Jesse Perry**, WR **Braylon Staley** and LG **Shamurad Umarov**.
- An additional two players made their first career starts in the home opener vs. ETSU: true freshman CB **Ty Redmond** and TE **Ethan Davis**. Against the Bucs, sixth-year senior DL **Dominic Bailey** made his 14th career start, but it was his first at defensive tackle. His previous 13 starts were at defensive end.

PASS DEFENSE NOTABLES

- Despite the absence of preseason All-American cornerback **Jermod McCoy** and cornerback **Rickey Gibson III** due to injury, Tennessee's secondary has played well. The Vols recorded an SEC-best 10 pass breakups in Week 1 vs. Syracuse, which were their most in a game since recording 10 at Georgia on Oct. 9, 2004.
- The Vols have logged 15 pass breakups through three games, which is tied with LSU for second in the SEC. Ole Miss is first with 17. UT ranks tied for 12th in the nation in PBUs.
- Colorado transfer cornerback **Colton Hood** has made an immediate splash and leads the SEC in pass breakups and is tied for second in the FBS with five. Hood, making his Tennessee debut and start vs. Syracuse, had three PBUs in the opener, which led the SEC. He had two vs. ETSU.
- Cornerback **Ty Redmond** is second among all FBS freshmen with three pass breakups this season.

RACKING UP NEGATIVE PLAYS DEFENSIVELY, VOLS LEAD SEC IN SACKS

- Tim Banks'** defensive unit is known for making plays in the backfield. Tennessee has racked up 417.0 tackles for loss under Banks (since 2021), which leads the SEC during that span.
- The Vols have finished in the top 15 nationally and top two in the SEC in tackles for loss in all four previous seasons under **Banks**. Four out of the 12 highest tackle-for-loss seasons in Tennessee history have occurred under his watch - 2021 (fifth - 102), 2022 (12th - 94), 2023 (seventh - 101) and 2024 (eighth - 100).
- 28 times in the **Tim Banks/Josh Heupel** era have the Vols registered at least three sacks in a game, and they are 25-3 in those contests when doing so with the only losses coming at Alabama on Oct. 21, 2023, at Mizzou on Nov. 11, 2023 and vs. Georgia on Sept. 13, 2025.

VOL TRENDS

	HEUP		
	2025	AT UT	STK
August	1-0	1-0	W2
September	1-1	14-4	L1
October	0-0	10-4	W2
November	0-0	11-6	W2
December	0-0	1-2	L1
vs. above .500 (time of game)	1-1	18-15	L1
vs. below .500 (time of game)	0-0	12-0	W13
vs. at .500 (time of game)	1-0	8-1	W3
SEC at home	0-1	13-4	L1
SEC on road	0-0	7-9	W1
in Orange J/White P	2-1	19-2	L1
in Orange J/Orange P	0-0	6-1	W5
in White J/White P	0-0	7-7	L1
in White J/Orange P	0-0	1-4	L3
in Dark Mode	0-0	4-1	W3
in Smokey Grey	0-0	3-0	W3

UT vs. Non-Conference Opponents

overall	2-0	19-3	W2
at home	1-0	13-1	W12
on the road	0-0	1-2	L1
neutral	1-0	5-1	W5

UT Record In Games ...

decided by 7 pts or less	0-1	8-5	L1
decided by 3 pts or less	0-1	2-2	L1
Home during the day	1-1	15-3	L1
Home at night	0-0	11-2	W10
Road during the day	0-0	4-3	W1
Road at night	0-0	4-7	L3

UT Record When ...

scoring first	2-1	32-9	L1
opponent scores first	0-0	7-7	L1
leading after the 1st quarter	2-1	29-8	L1
trailing after the 1st quarter	0-0	4-7	L1
tied after the 1st quarter	0-0	6-1	W3
leading at halftime	2-1	35-2	L1
trailing at halftime	0-0	4-13	L1
tied at halftime	0-0	0-1	L7
halftime lead/deficit 4 pts	0-0	3-2	W1
leading after the 3rd quarter	2-1	37-3	L1
trailing after the 3rd quarter	0-0	1-13	L8
tied after the 3rd quarter	0-0	1-0	W1
3rd qtr lead/deficit 4 pts	0-1	4-4	L1
tied after 4th quarter/OT	0-1	2-2	L1
turnover margin even	1-1	10-5	L1
turnover margin +1 or better	1-0	22-5	W1
turnover margin +2 or better	0-0	12-1	W9
turnover margin +3 or better	0-0	5-0	W9
turnover margin -1 or worse	0-0	7-6	W1
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	0-0	0-9	L15
scoring 20 or more pts	2-1	39-6	L1
scoring 25 or more pts	2-1	36-5	L1
allowing 14 or fewer pts	0-0	19-0	W37
allowing 25 or fewer pts	1-0	32-1	W7
allowing 30 or more pts	0-1	3-14	L8

UT Record With ...

less than 300 yds total offense	0-0	0-3	L7
300+ yds total offense	2-1	39-13	L1
400+ yds total offense	2-1	34-6	L1
500+ yds total offense	1-0	17-2	W8
600+ yds total offense	1-0	9-1	W8
less than 100 yds rushing	0-0	1-4	L2
100+ yds rushing	2-1	37-12	L1
150+ yds rushing	2-0	34-6	W2
200+ yds rushing	2-0	30-2	W24
250+ yds rushing	1-0	15-1	W11
less than 200 yds passing	0-0	8-5	L2
less than 300 yds passing	1-0	26-12	W1
300+ yds passing	1-1	13-4	L1
350+ yds passing	1-1	9-3	L1
400+ yds passing	1-0	6-0	W7

NOTEBOOK

- Tennessee has registered 12 sacks this season, which leads the SEC and is tied for second in the FBS. They have recorded at least three sacks in all three games, including three against Georgia, who came into the contest without allowing a sack through its first two games. The Vols' 3.67 sacks per game also leads the SEC and is sixth nationally.
- The Vols have tallied double-digit tackles for loss in a game under **Banks** 14 times, including four times last season. In 2024, Tennessee had 13.0 vs. NC State, 11.0 at Oklahoma, 12.0 vs. Florida, and a Banks era high 15.0 vs. UTEP. The 15.0 tackles for loss were the most by the Vols in a game since registering 15.5 tackles for loss in a Sept. 2, 2000, win over Southern Miss.
- Despite the departure of 2025 NFL Draft first round pick edge rusher **James Pearce Jr.**, Tennessee returns five out of its top seven tackle-for-loss leaders from a year ago.
- Sr. DE **Joshua Josephs** has been dominant to start the season. Josephs ranks tied for first in the SEC and 13th in the FBS in sacks with three. He has recorded one apiece in all three contests. Josephs also is tied for the FBS lead with two forced fumbles. He provided a big strip sack of Georgia's Gunner Stockton in the fourth quarter that led to a field goal.
- In terms of total tackles, the Vols bring back six of their top eight leading tacklers headlined by preseason All-SEC LB **Arion Carter**, who had 68 a year ago. Carter has picked up where he left off as he leads the SEC in tackles with 27 through three weeks.

SPECIAL TEAMS SUCCESS

- Tennessee has thrived on special teams in the **Josh Heupel** era. **Evan Crabtree** takes over special teams coordinator duties in 2025, but served on Heupel's staff from 2022-24 as a special teams graduate assistant and analyst.
- Tennessee has ranked either first or second in the SEC in punt return average in all four of Heupel's previous seasons. The Vols led the SEC and ranked ninth in the nation a season ago with 15.7 yards per return. Their 424 total punt return yards led the nation.
- The Vols are averaging 13.3 yards per punt return this year, and sophomore **Boo Carter** broke out in a big way vs. ETSU with 94 yards on four kick returns, including a long of 40.
- Under Heupel, 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 2025) 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 Heupel era (2021-present), including six blocked punts:

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

NEW-LOOK OFFENSIVE LINE SHINES THROUGH THREE WEEKS

- Tennessee's offensive line has a new look in 2025 following the departure of four starters. Jr. OT **Lance Heard** is the returning starter. Heard started 11 games at left tackle a year ago and enters his second season with the program after transferring from LSU.
- The Vols have a new starter at center for the first time since the 2021 season. Cooper Mays, who was a 2024 first-team All-American, departed after starting the past four seasons from 2021-24. Mays was the fourth center in Tennessee history to be named an All-American and the first since Bob Johnson was a unanimous selection in 1967. Notre Dame transfer RS-So. **Sam Pendleton** has started the first three games of the 2025 season and has not allowed a sack in 19 FBS career games played.
- Another FBS transfer is making noise at guard. The Vols brought in RS.-Jr. **Wendell Moe Jr.** from Arizona. He started 27 games at left guard for the Wildcats from 2022-24. Moe Jr. went through spring practice and owns two years of remaining eligibility, including this season. Moe is the Vols' most experienced offensive linemen with action on 1,975 offensive snaps. Moe started at right guard in the first three contests and enters the UAB game having not allowed a sack in 22 consecutive games.
- Tennessee signed one of the most heralded recruits of the 2025 class in five-star offensive tackle **David Sanders Jr.**, from Charlotte. Sanders was the No. 1 offensive tackle in the country by Rivals and ESPN. Sanders is seeking to become the first true freshman to start on the offensive line for Tennessee since Darnell Wright and Wanya Morris started at the tackle positions in 2019. Wright started five games at right tackle as a true freshman. Wright, a former five-star recruit, is in his third NFL season as the starter at right tackle for the Chicago Bears. Morris, now with the Kansas City Chiefs, started 12 of 13 games at left tackle in 2019. Another prominent true freshman offensive line starter for the Vols was Trey Smith, who started all 12 games at tackle in 2017. Smith, a two-time Super Bowl champion with the Chiefs, became the highest paid offensive guard in NFL history in July at four years, \$94 million. Sanders did not play in the Syracuse, ETSU and Georgia games due to injury.
- RS-Fr. **Jesse Perry** has started at right tackle in the first three games and been flawless. He has not allowed a sack or a QB hit this season. Perry ranks fifth in the FBS among tackles in pass block grade according to PFF this season (86.7, min. 100 snaps).
- In 2024, UT's offensive line was named a semifinalist for the Joe Moore Award for the third consecutive season. The Vols joined Oregon as the only programs to be named semifinalists in 2022, 2023 and 2024.



ON THIS DAY...

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THE RECORD: 4-3
THE STREAK: L1
LAST TIME: L, 30-6
 to Florida in 2008.

DID YOU KNOW:

This Saturday will be the first time Tennessee has played someone other than Florida on this date since 1980, when the Vols defeated Washington State, 35-23, in Knoxville.

VOLS IN THE NFL

NAME	TEAM	POS.	YR.
Derek Barnett	Texans	DE	9
Matthew Butler	Dolphins	DT	4
Jerome Carvin*	Jaguars	OL	3
Morgan Cox	Titans	LS	16
Joshua Dobbs	Patriots	QB	9
Princeton Fant*	Cowboys	TE	3
Kamal Hadden	Packers	DB	2
Hendon Hooker*	Panthers	QB	3
Jalin Hyatt	Giants	WR	3
Theo Jackson	Vikings	DB	4
Jauan Jennings	49ers	WR	5
Jakob Johnson*	Texans	FB	8
Velus Jones Jr.	Saints	RB	4
Alvin Kamara	Saints	RB	9
Cade Mays	Panthers	OL	4
Jaylen McCollough	Rams	DB	2
Joe Milton III	Cowboys	QB	2
Omarr Norman-Lott	Chiefs	DT	1
Josh Palmer	Bills	WR	5
James Pearce Jr.	Falcons	OLB	1
Dylan Sampson	Browns	RB	1
Elijah Simmons	Buccaneers	DT	1
Trey Smith	Chiefs	OL	5
Alontae Taylor	Saints	DB	4
Darrell Taylor	Texans	OLB	5
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	Raiders	WR	1
Cedric Tillman	Browns	WR	3
Shy Tuttle	Titans	DT	7
Dee Williams*	Giants	CB	2
Darnell Wright	Bears	OL	3
Jaylen Wright	Dolphins	RB	2
Byron Young	Rams	OLB	3

* - denotes practice squad

^ - denotes IR

list is as of Sept. 17

NOTEBOOK

- 13 times in the **Josh Heupel** era someone has earned SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week.
- Tennessee leads the SEC in fewest sacks allowed this year with only one, and that one came on an intentional grounding against Georgia. Both Tennessee and Georgia entered that contest without a sack allowed, but the Vols' defense gathered three against the Bulldogs. The one sack is allowed is tied for sixth fewest in the FBS.

RUSHING IDENTITY: 2,500 RUSH YARDS FOR FOUR STRAIGHT SEASONS

- **Josh Heupel's** Tennessee teams have gone over 2,500 rushing yards for four straight seasons, which is a first in program history.
- It's no secret of the Vols' rushing success under **Heupel** as UT led the SEC in rushing in back-to-back seasons in 2023 and 2024. Tennessee was also ninth in the nation in 2024 (225.9) and 10th in the FBS in 2023 (204.5). The Vols were the only SEC team to average more than 200 rushing yards last season.
- Two out of the four highest single-season team rushing totals in program history have occurred in the **Heupel** era - second in 2024 (2,936) and fourth in 2021 (2,832). The school record is 3,068 in 1951.
- It was 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 his eighth season as a head coach, **Heupel's** teams have gone over 2,000 rushing yards all seven previous seasons. His UCF teams rushed for 3,448 in 2018; 2,909 in 2019 and 2,107 during the COVID-shortened season of 2020.
- Tennessee has continued its rushing prowess in 2025, averaging over 200 yards per game again with 210.0.

IMPACT NEW FBS TRANSFERS IN 2025

- Tennessee brought in seven **FBS** transfers, four of whom enrolled in January and went through spring practice. These are the **new** FBS transfers:

Sr. QB **Joey Aguilar** - record-setting App State QB joined team in June, starting QB

R-So. CB **Colton Hood** - began career at Auburn and started at Colorado in 2024, enrolled in June

R-Fr. WR **Amari Jefferson** - Chattanooga native who redshirted last season at Alabama, enrolled in Jan.

R-Fr. OL **Michael Kostantonov** - walk-on offensive lineman who joined team in August from Central Michigan

R-Jr. OG **Wendell Moe Jr.** - Three-year Arizona starter at offensive guard, enrolled in January

R-So. OL **Sam Pendleton** - Notre Dame transfer who enrolled in January

Sr. RB **Star Thomas** - former New Mexico State/Duke standout, Duke's starter in 2024, enrolled in Jan.

- The 2025 roster is made up of 15 players who transferred to Tennessee from FBS schools.

- In addition, 23 of the Vols' 25 true freshmen signees enrolled at Tennessee in January and were present for spring practice. Two others - WR **Joakim Dodson** (Memphis) and DL **Charles House III** (Charlotte) arrived in June.

FAST STARTS IN HEUPEL ERA, 62-7 IN FIRST QUARTER THIS SEASON

- Tennessee outscores opponents 605-209 in the first quarter under **Josh Heupel**: 190-51 in 2021, 141-72 in 2022, 110-46 in 2023, 102-54 in 2024 and 62-7 in 2025. The Vols have scored at least one touchdown in the first quarter in 43 of 55 games under Heupel.
- **Josh Heupel** teams are known for quick starts. In 91 games as a head coach, Heupel's squads have outscored opponents 1,052-444 in the first quarter (605-209 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 first-quarter scoring at 11.00 points per game. SMU is second at 9.57, and Ole Miss is third at 9.47.
- **Heupel's** teams have scored at least one touchdown in the first quarter in 76 of the 91 games he has coached.
- Tennessee has dominated the first quarter this season, 62-7. The 20.67 points per first quarter this year leads the FBS, and the +18.33 point differential per first quarter this season is second in the FBS. The Vols have scored eight touchdowns (seven offense, one defense) in the first quarter this year, including three straight drives vs. Georgia. The Bulldogs were the only team to score on the Vols in the first quarter this year.

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 11 out of the last 17 games dating back to the 2023 regular season finale. They have combined for 13 touchdowns during that 18-game stretch.
- Back in 2025 thanks to the junior college ruling is senior captain **Miles Kitselman**. Kitselman, an Alabama transfer, enters his second season with the program and his fifth and final collegiate season. Kitselman started all 13 games in 2024, leading the unit with 301 receiving yards and four touchdowns.
- Tight ends have scored touchdowns in two of the first three games for the Vols this season and three out of the last four regular season games. **Kitselman** added to his touchdown total in the opener, hauling in a 2-yarder from **Joey Aguilar** with 3:57 left in the fourth quarter vs. Syracuse. True freshman **Jack Van Dorselaer** caught a 7-yarder in the third quarter vs. ETSU.
- In the **Josh Heupel** era (since 2021), tight ends have accounted for 31 touchdowns - 25 receiving and six rushing.

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

- Tennessee has produced 28 individual 100-yard receiving games in the **Josh Heupel** era, and **Chris Brazzell II** (125) and **Mike Matthews** (111) added to that total in the win over ETSU. It was the first time the Vols produced multiple 100-yard receivers in a game since Nov. 25, 2023 vs. Vanderbilt when Ramel Keyton (122) and Squirrel White (110) did it. Four times in the Heupel era have the Vols achieved that feat. Brazzell added another 100-yard game with his epic 177-yard performance vs. Georgia.
- Nine times in the Heupel era (since 2021) have the Vols produced a 100-yard receiver and 100-yard rusher in the same game.

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
11/30/24	at Vanderbilt	Sampson (178)/Thornton Jr. (118)	W, 36-23

IN JOSH HEUPEL'S 91 GAMES AS A HEAD COACH (UCF & UT)

- His teams have scored 30 points 71 times (38 times at Tennessee) and own a 62-9 record when doing so (34-4 at UT).
- His teams have scored 40 points 47 times (27 times at Tennessee, 25-2).
- His teams have scored 50 points 25 times (15 times at Tennessee, 15-0).
- His teams have scored 60 points nine times (eight times at Tennessee).
- His teams have put up 400 yards of total offense in a game 74 times (40 times at Tennessee).
- His teams have put up 500 yards of total offense in a game 40 times (19 times at Tennessee).
- His teams have put up 600 yards of total offense in a game 22 times (10 times at Tennessee).
- His teams have put up 700 yards of total offense in a game five times (four at Tennessee).

Games Scoring 30+ Points Since 2018 By Active Head Coach

- Lincoln Riley, Oklahoma, USC - 74
- Josh Heupel, UCF, Tennessee - 71**
- Kirby Smart, Georgia - 68

Games Scoring 40+ Points Since 2018 By Active Head Coach

- Lincoln Riley, Oklahoma, USC - 53
- Josh Heupel, UCF, Tennessee - 47**
- Dabo Swinney, Clemson - 43
- Kirby Smart, Georgia - 43

DEFENSIVE TOUCHDOWNS IN THE TIM BANKS ERA

- Tennessee has tallied 10 defensive touchdowns in the DC **Tim Banks**/HC **Josh Heupel** era. They are 8-0 when recording a defensive score.
- Tennessee added to that total in Week 1 vs. Syracuse in the Aflac Kickoff Game. With 0:56 remaining in the first quarter, DL **Nathan Robinson's** strip sack led CB **Colton Hood** to scoop it and score from 22 yards out. It was the second fumble return touchdown in the Heupel era and first since Tyler Baron's against UConn on Nov. 4, 2023.

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)
Syracuse	8/30/25	Colton Hood 22-yard fumble return on Nathan Robinson strip sack (1Q)

FAST, FUN, REAL TEMPO

- Tennessee's offensive tempo has picked up in 2025. The Vols are averaging 2.90 plays per minute, which leads the Power Four and ranks second in the FBS behind Florida Atlantic (2.96).
- Tennessee is also averaging 1.93 points per minute, which is second in the FBS behind Texas Tech (2.14).

HEUPEL CLIMBING THE UT VICTORIES CHARTS

- Since the start of the 2018 season when **Josh Heupel** became a head coach, he has won 67 of the 91 games he has coached. That ranks sixth among active FBS head coaches during that span.
- Heupel** owns a 39-16 record in now his fifth season at Tennessee. That win total ranks seventh in UT history.

All-Time Tennessee Wins

- Gen. Robert Neyland - 173-31-12
- Phillip Fulmer - 152-52
- Johnny Majors - 116-62-8
- Bill Battle - 59-22-2
- Bowden Wyatt - 49-29-4
- Doug Dickey - 46-15-4
- Josh Heupel - 39-16**

- Of **Heupel's** 39 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 sixth 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, one shy of fourth. Heupel surpassed Bill Battle in the category with the win at Oklahoma on Sept. 21, 2024.
- Heupel** owns a 10-7 record vs. ranked teams since the start of the 2022 season, which is the fifth highest win mark among active FBS coaches in that time frame. Heupel also owns four wins over top 10 teams since 2022.

All-Time Wins vs. AP Ranked Teams at Tennessee

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

WINS BY SEC TEAMS SINCE START OF 2022 SEASON

- Tennessee ranks fourth in wins among SEC programs since the start of the 2022 season with 32.

Overall Wins By SEC Teams Since the Start of 2022 Season

- Georgia - 42
- Texas - 35 (2022, '23 seasons were in Big 12)
- Alabama - 34
- Tennessee - 32**
- LSU - 32
- Ole Miss - 32

WINNING THE TURNOVER BATTLE

- In **Josh Heupel's** 55 games as Tennessee's head coach, the Vols have won the turnover battle 27 times, only lost it 13 times and pushed it 15.
- The Vols own a 22-5 record when winning the turnover battle in his tenure.
- Tennessee owns a +27 combined turnover margin during **Heupel's** tenure. The +0.50 margin per game from 2021-present ranks 11th nationally and is second in the SEC.
- Last season, the Vols produced a +6 turnover margin, gaining 21 turnovers and committing 15. The +6 tied for fifth in the SEC.
- In the opener against Syracuse, the Vols were +1, forcing two and committing one.

JACKSON ROSS, A FIELD POSITION WEAPON

- Junior Australian native **Jackson Ross** is in his third season as the Vols' starting punter. Ross, who can punt with either foot, is a huge weapon in the field position game.
- Last season, Tennessee led the nation and SEC in percentage of punts downed inside the 10-yard line. A total of 15 of the Vols' 53 punts were inside the 10 (28.3 percent). Miami was the next closest at 24 percent (6 of 25).

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- **Ross** has also logged 21 punts of 50 or more yards in his career, including 10 last season and two this season. Ross had a 56-yarder in the 2025 opener vs. Syracuse and a 57-yarder vs. Georgia.
- **Ross** continued his placement prowess against Georgia in Week 3, landing two inside the 10-yard line, including one that was saved from going in the endzone on a spectacular hustle play by long snapper **Bennett Brady**.

Jackson Ross 2024 Punt Breakdown

Opponent	Punts	I20	I10	I5
Chattanooga	1	0	0	0
NC State	1	1	1	0
Kent State	0	0	0	0
at Oklahoma	8	2	1	1
at Arkansas	7	2	2	0
Florida	7	3	2	0
Alabama	4	2	2	1
Kentucky	3	1	1	0
Miss. State	3	0	0	0
at Georgia	5	5	2	0
UTEP	6	3	3	3
Vanderbilt	1	1	1	1
at Ohio State	7	1	0	0
TOTALS	53	21	15	6

Jackson Ross 2025 Punt Breakdown

Opponent	Punts	I20	I10	I5
Syracuse	4	3	0	0
ETSU	1	1	1	1
Georgia	3	2	2	1
TOTALS	8	6	3	2

SOLD OUT: 70,500 SEASON TICKETS PURCHASED AGAIN

- Tennessee exhausted its football season ticket inventory for the third straight season with 70,500 purchased.
- The Vols also have a season ticket wait list of over 24,000 entering the 2025 campaign. The department produced a record 97.8 percent season ticket renewal rate.
- With this season's ETSU, Georgia and UAB games already sold out, Tennessee's home sellout streak will extend to 23 straight games.

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	70,500 (sold out)
2026-27	70,000	TBD

DEFENDING NEYLAND

- The Vols own a 26-5 record in Neyland Stadium under **Josh Heupel** and are 21-2 in the venue since the start of the 2022 season. The 21 home wins during that span are tied for second in the SEC with Georgia (21-0). Alabama is first with 22.
- The Sept. 6 ETSU victory marked UT's 500th on-field win on Shields-Watkins Field. Since the historic property's inception in 1921, the Vols own a 500-142-17 (.773) on-field record at home. Tennessee's overall NCAA record on Shields-Watkins Field is now 494-142-17 (six wins were vacated from 2019-20).

RECAPING 2024 CFP SEASON

- Tennessee won 10 regular season games for the second time in three years and secured its first berth to the College Football Playoff in 2024.
- UT finished No. 8 in the Coaches poll and No. 9 in the AP poll with a 10-3 overall record.
- The Vols were picked to finish seventh in the SEC and ended up tied for second in the final regular season standings at 6-2 with marquee wins over Alabama, Oklahoma and Florida. Tennessee earned the No. 9 seed in the CFP and lost at eventual national champion Ohio State, 42-17, in the first round on Dec. 21.
- The Vols produced the SEC Offensive Player of the Year for the second time in three years when RB Dylan Sampson led the SEC in rushing (114.7) and broke school records for rushing touchdowns (22) and rushing yards (1,491).
- UT issued just 16.1 points per game, which was seventh in the nation and the best by a Vol defense since the 1998 national championship team (14.5).
- DE James Pearce Jr. led the squad in tackles for loss (13) and sacks (7.5). Sampson (third round - Cleveland), Pearce (first round - Atlanta), DT Omarr Norman-Lott (second round - Kansas City) and WR Dont'e Thornton Jr. (fourth round - Las Vegas) were all selected in the 2025 NFL Draft.

NEYLAND STADIUM

PRESERVED BY **Pilot.**CAPACITY: **101,915** | OVERALL ON-FIELD RECORD AT NEYLAND STADIUM: **500-142-17 (.772)** // OVERALL NCAA RECORD AT NEYLAND STADIUM: **494-142-17 (.770)**

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. Since the 2022 season, the Vols are 21-2 inside of its confines. In the Josh Heupel era (since 2021), UT is 26-5 at home and has outscored opponents 1,376-584.

Neyland Stadium has now been sold out for 23 consecutive games. Tennessee has ranked in the top six nationally in attendance in each of the last three seasons. In 2023, the Vols ranked No. 3 in total attendance (713,405) and No. 4 in average attendance (101,915), leading the SEC in both categories.

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. In August 2024, Tennessee and Pilot announced the partnership that preserves the iconic venue's name and enhances the stadium experience for future generations. 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.

Fans will notice a number of new features and amenities that have been completed for the 2025 season.

Most notably, major updates have been completed in the South End Zone. Entry into Gate 9 has doubled in size while the southwest plaza has expanded to ease congestion. A new elevator has been added to the southeast corner of Neyland Stadium, allowing patrons to access all three levels on the south end of the stadium.

Truly's Tailgate, located outside Gate 9, has expanded with Texas Roadhouse and a number of other new food and beverage options for fans to enjoy before and during the game.

Fans will also notice new restrooms, a new UT Medical first aid station and a significantly wider concourse to help ease navigation around the south end of the stadium.

A Vintage Volunteer trailer has been behind section M on the new south concourse of Neyland Stadium. The shop will offer vintage gear and unique items.

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 backlit 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 QUICK FACTS

ALL-TIME STADIUM WIN PCT.

1. Bryant-Denny Stadium (Alabama)	.845 (306-55-3)
2. Albertsons Stadium (Boise State)	.826 (295-62)
3. Memorial Stadium (Oklahoma)	.819 (425-88-15)
4. Paulson Stadium (Georgia Southern)	.811 (219-51)
5. Edwards Stadium (Marshall)	.806 (187-45)
6. Ohio Stadium (Ohio State)	.801 (484-113-19)
7. Beaver Stadium (Penn State)	.799 (326-82)
8. Sanford Stadium (Georgia)	.780 (390-107-9)
9. Jordan-Hare Stadium (Auburn)	.776 (352-99-7)
10. Kidd Brewer Stadium (Appalachian State)	.771 (278-81-5)
11. Neyland Stadium (Tennessee)	.770 (494-142-17)
12. Michigan Stadium (Michigan)	.769 (467-135-15)

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**

"Neyland Stadium is the toughest place to play in college football. ... I've never been in an avalanche before, but I would imagine Tennessee taking the lead on you in the fourth quarter and Rocky Top blaring, that's what an avalanche of orange feels like."

- **Josh Pate, Josh Pate's College Football Show (July 2025)**

"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)**

HEAD COACH JOSH HEUPEL

Fifth Season • @CoachJoshHeupel



- 2022 Associated Press SEC Coach of the Year
- 2022, 2018 National Coach of the Year Finalist
- 2024 College Football Playoff, 2022 Orange Bowl champ
- Coached in three national title games and 20 postseason games
- Four 10-Win Seasons in Seven Years as a Head Coach
- 17 NFL Draft picks last four seasons
- Won eight conference championships
- 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, including the Volunteers' first College Football Playoff appearance in 2024. The 2022 SEC Coach of the Year and two-time National Coach of the Year finalist was officially announced as Tennessee's 27th head football coach on Jan. 27, 2021, by Vice Chancellor/Director of Athletics Danny White, who he worked alongside at UCF. Heupel signed an extension through Jan. 2030.

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. The results have seen Tennessee celebrate its greatest chapter in over two decades. Heupel's remarkable revival of the Volunteers has seen him produce a 39-16 overall record, 11 victories over Top 25 teams, the school's first New Year's Six berth in the CFP era, three straight top-20 poll finishes and a College Football Playoff berth. The 11 ranked wins are sixth nationally among FBS head coaches during that span and are already fifth in UT history. Heupel's .709 winning percentage is the second-highest by a Vol coach in the last five decades. His 37 wins were the third-most through the first four full seasons by a UT coach, trailing only Bill Battle (39 from 1970-73) and Phillip Fulmer (38 from 1993-96). Both Battle and Fulmer took over UT teams that had winning records prior to their hires. Heupel guided Tennessee to its winningest three-year stretch (30) since 1998-2000 (30), and the program's .769 winning percentage during that stretch was the eighth-best nationally and third-best in the SEC. The Vols have also won at least nine games in three straight seasons, which is the longest streak for the program since 1995-99.

The Vols' on-field success has correlated in the classroom as UT has shattered the program record for GPA in four consecutive fall semesters under Heupel. The Vols produced a spring semester GPA record of 3.25 in May.

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	10-3	6-2	College Football Playoff, #8 Coaches, #9 AP
2025	Tennessee	2-1	0-1	#15 Coaches, #15 AP
Overall	8th season	67-24(.736)	42-18	7 Postseason Games, 1 AAC Championship
UCF	3 seasons	28-8	20-5	
Tennessee	5th season	39-16(.709)	20-13	

* - denotes COVID-19 shortened season

^ - denotes includes The American Championship Game

PROLIFIC OFFENSES UNDER HEUPEL

TOTAL OFFENSE

Year	YPG	FBS	Conf.
2025 (Tennessee)	568.7	6	3
2024 (Tennessee)	447.0	15	3
2023 (Tennessee)	448.1	19	4
2022 (Tennessee)	525.5	1	1
2021 (Tennessee)	474.9	9	3
2020 (UCF)	568.1	2	1
2019 (UCF)	540.5	2	1
2018 (UCF)	522.7	5	2
2017 (Mizzou)	502.2	8	1
2016 (Mizzou)	500.5	13	1

RUSHING

Year	YPG	FBS	Conf.
2025 (Tennessee)	210.0	33	6
2024 (Tennessee)	225.9	9	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

SCORING OFFENSE

Year	PPG	FBS	Conf.
2025 (Tennessee)	52.7	6	1
2024 (Tennessee)	35.7	12	2
2023 (Tennessee)	31.8	36	7
2022 (Tennessee)	46.1	1	1
2021 (Tennessee)	39.3	7	2
2020 (UCF)	42.2	8	1
2019 (UCF)	43.4	5	1
2018 (UCF)	43.2	6	2
2017 (Mizzou)	37.5	14	1
2016 (Mizzou)	31.4	48	5

PASSING

Year	YPG	FBS	Conf.
2024 (Tennessee)	358.7	7	1
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

THE HEUPEL FILE

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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)

POSTSEASON APPEARANCES AS A COACH (20)

2024 CFP First Round - Tennessee

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

HEUPEL ERA HIGHS

TEAM - OFFENSIVE

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 - 41 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
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 - 72 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25

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 (6x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Fumbles Recovered - 2 (3x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Tackles For Loss - 15 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Pass Breakups - 10 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
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 Iamaleava 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 - 86, Nico Iamaleava to Dont'e Thornton Jr. at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
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 - 53, Max Gilbert vs. ETSU, 9/6/25

FAST. FUN. REAL.

600
yards 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
ETSU (717) - 9/6/25

275
yards
rushing

Bowling Gr. (331) - 9/2/21
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

375
yards
passing

Purdue (378) - 12/30/21
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
ETSU (458) - 9/6/25

60
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
ETSU (72) - 9/6/25

11
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 (18)

Wins Over Ranked Teams - 6* in 2022
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
Yards Per Play - 7.2 in 2022
Total Touchdowns - 79 in 2022
Offensive Touchdowns - 78 in 2022
Passing Touchdowns - 38 in 2022
Rushing Touchdowns - 40 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
 * - at time of meeting; tied 1998 team

INDIVIDUAL SINGLE-SEASON SCHOOL RECORDS UNDER HEUPEL (18)

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: 22 in 2024
Consecutive Games With a TD Rush - Dylan Sampson: 11 in 2024
Rushing Yards - Dylan Sampson: 1,491 in 2024

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
Total Touchdowns Scored - Dylan Sampson: 22 in 2024
Points Scored - Dylan Sampson: 132 in 2024

UT SINGLE-GAME RECORDS UNDER HEUPEL (9)

Points (modern era) - 72 vs. ETSU in 2025
Total Yards (modern era) - 740 vs. Kent State in 2024
First Downs - 41 vs. ETSU in 2025
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

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: 11 in 2024

THE LAST TIME TENNESSEE...

INDIVIDUAL
OFFENSE

Rushed for 100 yards - 178, Dylan Sampson at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
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 - 371, Joey Aguilar vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25
Passed for 350 yards - 371, Joey Aguilar vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25
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 - 177, Chris Brazzell II vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25
Had 150 yards receiving - 177, Chris Brazzell II vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25
Had 200 yards receiving - 207, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
Rushed for three TDs - 3, Star Thomas vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Rushed for four TDs - 4, Dylan Sampson vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Threw four TD passes - 4, Joey Aguilar vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25
Threw five TD passes - 5, Hendon Hooker vs. Alabama, 10/14/22
Completed 20 or more passes - 24, Joey Aguilar vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25
Completed 25 or more passes - 28, Nico Iamaleava vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Completed 30 or more passes - 37, Tyler Bray vs. Missouri (OT), 9/29/25
Completed 10 consecutive passes - 14, Joey Aguilar (1Q) vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25
Caught three TD passes - 3, Chris Brazzell II vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25
Caught four TD passes - 5, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
Caught five TD passes - 5, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
Caught 10+ receptions - 10, Squirrel White vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23
Scored four touchdowns - 4 (all rush), Dylan Sampson vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Responsible for five touchdowns - 5 (4 pass, 1 rush), Joey Aguilar vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25
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 a 70-yard run - 82, Jaylen Wright vs. UConn, 11/4/23
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 a 70-yard completion - 72, Joey Aguilar to Chris Brazzell II vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25
Had an 80-yard completion - 86, Nico Iamaleava to Dont'e Thornton Jr. at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24

DEFENSE

Returned INT for TD - 85 yards, Will Brooks vs. NC State, 9/7/24
Returned a fumble for TD - 22 yards, Colton Hood vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25 (forced by Nathan Robinson)
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 (OT), 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

SPECIAL TEAMS

Returned onside kick for TD - 44, Bret Smith at South 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 yards - 82, Marquez 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)
Had a 60-yard punt - 71, Jackson Ross at Alabama, 10/21/23
Made four FGs - 4, Max Gilbert vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Made a 50-yard FG - 53, Max Gilbert vs. ETSU, 9/6/25

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 - 371 vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25 (36 att.)
Passed for more than 400 yards - 458 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25 (52 att.)
Had more than 500 yards total offense - 717 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25 (458 pass, 259 rush)
Had more than 600 yards total offense - 717 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25 (458 pass, 259 rush)
Had more than 700 yards total offense - 717 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25 (458 pass, 259 rush)
Scored 50 points - 72 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25 (Score: 72-17)
Scored 60 points - 72 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25 (Score: 72-17)
Scored 70 points - 72 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25 (Score: 72-17)
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 Ohio State, 12/21/24
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 - J. Aguilar (288) & J. Merklinger (118) vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Two players w/ 100 yards receiving - C. Brazzell II (125) & M. Matthews (111) vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Three players w/ 100 yards receiving - J. Palmer (124), J. Jennings (115), M. Callaway (110) at Missouri, 11/23/19

DEFENSE

Held opponent to fewer than 100 yards rushing - 49 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25 (28 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 to fewer than 200 yards total offense - 112 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (54 rush, 58 pass)
Held opponent without a TD - vs. UTEP (Score: Tennessee 56-0)
Scored a safety - at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24 (Tyre West 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.)

SPECIAL TEAMS

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-yard 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)

MISCELLANEOUS

Shut out an opponent - 56-0 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Shut out consecutive opponents - at Vanderbilt and vs. Kentucky, 11/23/02 & 11/30/02 (24-0)
Won OT game - vs. Florida (OT), 10/12/24 (Score: UT 23-17, OT)
Lost OT Game - vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25 (Score: Georgia 44-41, OT)
Won game on last play - vs. Florida (OT), 10/12/24 (UT 23-17, D. Sampson 1-yd rushing TD in OT)
Lost game on last play - vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25 (Score: Georgia 44-41; J. McCray 1-yd rushing TD in OT)
Rallied from down 10 to win - at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24 (trailed 14-0 in 1Q & won, 36-23)
Rallied from down 14 to win - at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24 (trailed 14-0 in 1Q & won, 36-23)
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 2025



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 - 304, Gunner Stockton vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25
Passed for 400 yards - 438, Spencer Rattler at South Carolina, 11/19/22
Passed for 500 yards - 534, Aidan O'Connell vs. Purdue (OT), 12/30/21
Had 100 yards receiving - 103, Jeremiah Smith at Ohio State, 12/21/24
Had 150 yards receiving - 177, Antwane Wells Jr. at South Carolina, 11/19/22
Had 200 yards receiving - 217, Broc Thompson vs. Purdue (OT), 12/30/21
Rushed for three TDs - 3, Yasin Willis vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
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 Pharoah 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, Jihad 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, Junior Sherrill at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
Returned a kickoff 100 yards - 100, Junior Sherrill at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
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 (OT), 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 - 304 vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25
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)
Failed to rush for 100 yards - 49 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25 (28 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 yards, successful)
Failed 2-pt conversion - vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25 (2x, S. Angeli pass & rush attempt failed)
Scored 2-pt conversion - vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25 (G. Stockton completion to Z. Branch)
Attempted an onside kick - at Oklahoma, 9/21/24 (UT recovered)
Recovered an 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. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25 (Score: Georgia 44-41, OT)
Lost OT game - vs. Florida (OT), 10/12/24 (Score: UT 23-17, OT)
Beat a ranked Tennessee team - vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25 (Score: #6 UGA 44, #15 UT 41 OT)
Beat a Tennessee team ranked in the top 15 - vs. Georgia (OT), 9/13/25 (Score: #6 UGA 44, #15 UT 41 OT)
Beat a Tennessee team ranked in the top 5 - at Arkansas, 10/5/24 (Score: ARK 19, #4 UT 14)

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GAME RECAPS

GAME 1

Syracuse
#24/18 Tennessee26
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Aug. 30, 2025
Mercedes-Benz Stadium
Atlanta, Ga.
Attendance: 45,918
Time: 12:08 p.m. ET • Duration: 3:55

Tennessee

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Thomas, Star	12	93	1	92	0	22	7.7
Bishop, DeSean	11	84	2	82	1	47	7.5
Aguilar, Joey	6	42	8	34	0	25	5.7
Lewis, Peyton	8	38	0	38	1	8	4.8
Morris, Daune	2	2	0	2	0	2	1
Team	1	0	2	-2	0	0	-2

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Aguilar, Joey	16	28	247	3	0	73	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Staley, Braylon	4	95	1	73
Brazzell II, Chris	5	62	0	18
Bishop, Desean	2	44	0	23
Matthews, Mike	2	29	0	16
Kitselman, Miles	2	10	1	8
Thomas, Star	1	7	1	7

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB	50+
Ross, Jackson	4	175	43.8	56	3	0	1

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Gilbert, Max	1	1	34	34G

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

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Interceptions		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Staley, Braylon	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lewis, Peyton	0	0	0	1	24	24	0	0	0
Telander, Jeremiah	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

Syracuse

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Willis, Yasin	23	91	0	91	3	14	4
Nixon, Will	9	33	0	33	0	10	3.7
Angeli, Steve	7	12	39	-27	0	11	-3.9
Russell, Tyshawn	1	5	0	5	0	5	5
James, Malachi	2	3	5	-2	0	3	-1
Villari, Dan	2	3	0	3	0	2	1.5

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Angeli, Steve	23	40	274	1	1	29	5

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Cook II, Johntay	6	58	1	29
Villari, Dan	5	55	0	20
Ross-Simmons, J.	3	50	0	23
Russell, Tyshawn	3	40	0	28
Gill Jr., Darrell	2	33	0	26
Nixon, Will	2	29	0	21
Clement, David	1	8	0	8
Tremble, Jamie	1	1	0	1

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB	50+
Stonehouse, Jack	4	196	49	58	1	0	2
Angeli, Steve	1	35	35	35	1	0	0

#24/18 Vols Triumph in Atlanta, Down Syracuse 45-26

No. 24/18 Tennessee opened its 2025 campaign with a statement win, rolling past Syracuse, 45-26, in the Aflac Kickoff Game at Mercedes-Benz Stadium. The Vols seized control early with 17 first-quarter points. **Max Gilbert** opened the scoring with a 34-yard field goal, **Peyton Lewis** punched in a 2-yard touchdown run, and the defense delivered when **Colton Hood** returned a strip sack 22 yards for a score. Syracuse (0-1) cut into the lead with a short touchdown run in the second quarter, but **Joey Aguilar** answered quickly, hitting **Braylon Staley** for a 73-yard strike. After the Orange pulled within 24-14, **DeSean Bishop's** 47-yard run set up his own 1-yard score, giving Tennessee a 31-14 halftime cushion. The defense provided another spark after the break, as **Jeremiah Telander** intercepted a tipped pass to set up Aguilar's 7-yard touchdown toss to **Star Thomas**. Syracuse battled back with two rushing scores to make it 38-26, but Aguilar capped a nine-play, 54-yard drive with a 2-yard strike to **Miles Kitselfman**, sealing the win. Aguilar finished 16-of-28 for 247 yards and three touchdowns in his first start for the Big Orange, while Thomas posted 92 rushing yards and a receiving score in his UT debut. Bishop added 82 yards and a touchdown, and Staley led the receivers with 95 yards and a long TD. Defensively, **Arion Carter** paced the Vols with nine tackles and a sack as Tennessee recorded five sacks and seven tackles for loss. The Vols totaled 493 yards of offense and converted all five red-zone trips.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th		Final
Syracuse	0	14	6	6	-	26
Tennessee	17	14	7	7	-	45

1st	12:46	UT	Gilbert, Max	34 yd field goal
1st	06:02	UT	Lewis, Peyton	2 yd run (Gilbert, Max kick)
1st	00:56	UT	Hood, Colton	22 yd fumble recovery (Gilbert, Max kick)
2nd	11:40	SU	Willis, Yasin	2 yd run (Woody, Tripp kick)
2nd	11:14	UT	Staley, Braylon	73 yd pass from Aguilar, Joey (Gilbert, Max kick)
2nd	01:55	SU	Cook II, Johntay	3 yd pass from Angeli, Steve (Woody, Tripp kick)
2nd	00:21	UT	Bishop, DeSean	1 yd run (Gilbert, Max kick)
3rd	12:22	UT	Thomas, Star	7 yd pass from Aguilar, Joey (Gilbert, Max kick)
3rd	07:33	SU	Willis, Yasin	1 yd run
4th	11:54	SU	Willis, Yasin	1 yd run
4th	03:57	UT	Kitselman, Miles	2 yd pass from Aguilar, Joey (Gilbert, Max kick)

Team Stats

	SU	UT
FIRST DOWNS	24	22
Rushing	9	12
Passing	13	9
Penalty	2	1
NET YARDS RUSHING	103	246
Rushing Attempts	44	40
Average Per Rush	2.3	6.2
Rushing Touchdowns	3	2
Rushing Yards Gained	147	259
Rushing Yards Lost	44	13
NET YARDS PASSING	274	247
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions	23-40-1	16-28-0
Average Per Attempt	6.8	8.8
Average Per Completion	11.9	15.4
Passing Touchdowns	1	3
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	377	493
Total Offensive Plays	84	68
Average Gain Per Play	4.5	7.2
Fumbles: Number-Lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	4-30	7-65
PUNTS-YARDS	5-231	4-175
Average Yards Per Punt	46.2	43.8
Net Yards Per Punt	45.8	43.8
Inside 20	2	3
50+ Yards	2	1
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair Catch	3	3
KICKOFFS-YARDS	5-320	8-520
Average Yards Per Kickoff	64.0	65.0
Net Yards Per Kickoff	40.0	40.0
Touchbacks	2	8
Fair Catch Yards	46	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-2-0
Average Per Return	0.0	2.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-24-0
Average Per Return	0.0	24.0
Interceptions: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-22-1
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	34:31	25:29
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 14	7 of 12
Fourth-Down Conversions	3 of 4	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-5	5-5
Touchdowns	4	4
Field goals	0	1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	5-39
PAT Kicks	2-2	6-6
2Pts Conversions	0-2	0-0
Field Goals	0-0	1-1
Points off turnovers	0	7

GAME 2

ETSU

#22/17 Tennessee 17 72

Sept. 6, 2025
 Neyland Stadium
 Knoxville, Tenn.
 Attendance: 101,915
 Time: 3:32 p.m. ET • Duration: 3:30

Tennessee

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Thomas, Star	12	69	0	69	3	19	5.8
Bishop, Desean	3	68	0	68	0	50	22.7
Morris, Daune	9	48	0	48	1	10	5.3
Baker, Justin	11	40	3	37	0	7	3.4
Lewis, Peyton	8	22	3	19	1	7	2.4
Phillips, Mason	2	18	0	18	0	16	9
Merklinger, Jake	2	17	0	17	0	11	8.5
Team	1	0	17	-17	0	0	-17

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Aguilar, Joey	23	31	288	2	0	53	0
Merklinger, Jake	9	14	118	2	0	32	0
MacIntyre, George	6	7	52	0	0	13	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Brazzell II, Chris	9	125	2	32
Matthews, Mike	6	111	1	53
Staley, Braylon	5	39	0	13
Kitselman, Miles	3	36	0	17
Jackson, Radarious	3	35	0	15
Dodson, Joakim	1	27	0	27
Winton III, Tommy	3	26	0	12
Smith Jr., Travis	2	20	0	13
Brame, Dasaahn	2	16	0	12
Lewis, Peyton	1	9	0	9
Van Dorselaer, Jack	1	7	1	7
Weary, Trey	1	6	0	6
Davis, Ethan	1	1	0	1

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB	50+
Ross, Jackson	1	36	36	36	1	0	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Gilbert, Max	3	3	53	29G, 37G, 53G

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

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Interceptions		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Carter, Boo	4	94	40	0	0	0	0	0	0
Morris, Daune	3	24	11	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lewis, Peyton	0	0	0	1	18	18	0	0	0

ETSU

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Albritton, Jason	4	30	0	30	1	20	7.5
Eichelberger, Khalil	7	30	0	30	0	11	4.3
Criswell, Jacoby	4	14	9	5	0	9	1.2
McNamara, Cade	3	6	8	-2	0	5	-0.7
Rucker, D'marius	4	3	1	2	0	2	0.5
Houston, Devontae	4	1	10	-9	0	1	-2.2
Byrd, Jackson	2	0	7	-7	0	0	-3.5

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
McNamara, Cade	11	18	85	1	0	22	1
Criswell, Jacoby	7	12	76	0	0	24	1
Byrd, Jackson	1	1	6	0	0	6	1

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Keller, Cole	3	47	0	24
Floyd, Ephraim	5	43	0	22
Page, Karim	4	32	0	12
Browder, Charlie	1	21	0	21
Albritton, Jason	1	7	0	7
Harrison, Jeremiah	1	6	0	6
Sudderth, Taharin	1	5	1	5
Rucker, D'marius	1	4	0	4
Houston, Devontae	1	2	0	2
Eichelberger, Khalil	1	0	0	0

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB	50+
Brackett, Nate	10	461	46.1	55	1	1	3

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Johnson, Ewan	1	1	41	41G

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

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Interceptions		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Browder, Charlie	0	0	0	1	3	3	0	0	0

#22/17 Vols Overwhelm Bucs, 72-17, In Home Opener

No. 22/17 Tennessee put on a record-setting show in its home opener, piling up 48 first-half points and cruising past ETSU, 72-17, before a sold-out Neyland Stadium crowd of 101,915. The Vols eclipsed their modern-era scoring record with 72 points, topping the 71 they posted last fall against Kent State. Tennessee's offense rolled to 717 total yards and 41 first downs—a program best in the modern era—while three different quarterbacks accounted for touchdowns. **Joey Aguilar** sparked the early surge, throwing for 288 yards and two touchdowns in just two quarters. He connected with **Chris Brazzell II** on a 21-yard score to open the game, then added a 53-yard strike to **Mike Matthews**. **Star Thomas** and **Peyton Lewis** combined for four rushing touchdowns in the first half, and a 40-yard punt return by **Boo Carter** set up another score as UT built a 48-7 halftime cushion. In the second half, redshirt freshman **Jake Merklinger** tossed two touchdown passes, including his first career score, while **Max Gilbert** drilled a career-long 53-yard field goal. True freshman **George MacIntyre** later guided a drive capped by **Daune Morris'** 10-yard touchdown run. Thomas led the ground game with 69 yards and three touchdowns, while Brazzell (125 yards) and Matthews (111 yards) each topped 100 receiving. Defensively, Tennessee limited ETSU to 216 yards and just 49 rushing, forcing 10 three-and-outs and not allowing a first down in the opening quarter.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
ETSU	0	7	3	7	- 17
Tennessee	24	24	14	10	- 72

1st	13:08	UT	Brazzell II, Chris	21 yd pass from Aguilar, Joey (Gilbert, Max kick)
1st	9:28	UT	Gilbert, Max	29 yd field goal
1st	7:07	UT	Thomas, Star	2 yd run (Gilbert, Max kick)
1st	0:46	UT	Lewis, Peyton	1 yd run (Gilbert, Max kick)
2nd	11:41	UT	Thomas, Star	2 yd run (Gilbert, Max kick)
2nd	8:03	UT	Gilbert, Max	37 yd field goal
2nd	4:08	UT	Matthews, Mike	53 yd pass from Aguilar, Joey (Gilbert, Max kick)
2nd	1:55	ETSU	Sudderth, Taharin	5 yd pass from McNamara, Cade (Johnson, Ewan kick)
2nd	0:22	UT	Thomas, Star	7 yd run (Gilbert, Max kick)
3rd	11:52	ETSU	Johnson, Ewan	41 yd field goal
3rd	8:45	UT	Brazzell II, Chris	1 yd pass from Merklinger, Jake (Turbyville, Josh kick)
3rd	2:45	UT	Van Dorselaer, Jack	7 yd pass from Merklinger, Jake (Turbyville, Josh kick)
4th	10:43	UT	Gilbert, Max	53 yd field goal
4th	8:46	ETSU	Albritton, Jason	20 yd run (Johnson, Ewan kick)
4th	3:55	UT	Morris, Daune	10 yd run (Turbyville, Josh kick)

Team Stats

	ETSU	UT
FIRST DOWNS	10	41
Rushing	3	14
Passing	6	25
Penalty	1	2
NET YARDS RUSHING	49	259
Rushing Attempts	28	48
Average Per Rush	1.8	5.4
Rushing Touchdowns	1	5
Rushing Yards Gained	84	282
Rushing Yards Lost	35	23
NET YARDS PASSING	167	458
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions	19-31-0	38-52-0
Average Per Attempt	5.4	8.8
Average Per Completion	8.8	12.1
Passing Touchdowns	1	4
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	216	717
Total Offensive Plays	59	100
Average Gain Per Play	3.7	7.2
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	8-48	6-45
PUNTS-YARDS	10-461	1-36
Average Yards Per Punt	46.1	36.0
Net Yards Per Punt	32.3	36.0
Inside 20	1	1
50+ Yards	3	0
Touchbacks	1	0
Fair Catch	0	0
KICKOFFS-YARDS	4-257	13-806
Average Yards Per Kickoff	64.2	62.0
Net Yards Per Kickoff	41.8	38.7
Touchbacks	2	12
Fair Catch Yards	22	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	7-118-0
Average Per Return	0.0	16.9
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-3-0	1-18-0
Average Per Return	3.0	18.0
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	24:58	35:02
Third-Down Conversions	2 of 15	10 of 14
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 1	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-2	10-10
Touchdowns	2	8
Field goals	0	2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	3-23
PAT Kicks	2-2	9-9
2Pts Conversions	0-0	0-0
Field Goals	1-1	3-3
Points off turnovers	7	0



GAME 3

#6/3 Georgia 44 (OT)
#15/15 Tennessee 41

Sept. 13, 2025
Neyland Stadium
Knoxville, Tenn.
Attendance: 101,915
Time: 3:45 p.m. ET • Duration: 3:53

Tennessee

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Thomas, Star	9	60	0	60	0	27	6.7
Bishop, Desean	15	54	0	54	0	8	3.6
Lewis, Peyton	5	20	1	19	0	7	3.8
Aguilar, Joey	5	6	14	-8	1	4	-1.6

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Aguilar, Joey	24	36	371	4	2	72	1

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Brazzell II, Chris	6	177	3	72
Staley, Braylon	9	97	1	32
Matthews, Mike	5	59	0	21
Kitselman, Miles	3	33	0	18
Jackson, Radarious	1	5	0	

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB	50+
Ross, Jackson	3	145	48.3	57	2	0	1

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Gilbert, Max	3	2	48	48G, 43WR, 42G

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

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Interceptions		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Carter, Boo	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Redmond, Ty	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	38	38

Georgia

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Frazier, Nate	14	73	0	73	0	21	5.2
Phillips Jr., Dwight	5	29	0	29	0	15	5.8
Stockton, Gunner	13	48	10	38	1	14	2.9
Bowens, Chauncey	12	37	5	32	0	13	2.7
Jones, Cash	1	7	0	7	0	7	7
Mccray, Josh	7	17	0	17	2	5	2.4
Branch, Zachariah	1	4	0	4	0	4	4
Bell, Dillon	1	0	1	-1	0	0	-1
Team	1	0	1	-1	0	0	-1

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Stockton, Gunner	23	31	304	2	0	45	4
Puglisi, Ryan	0	1	0	0	1	0	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Young, Colbie	4	73	0	45
Branch, Zachariah	5	69	1	36
Humphreys, London	2	59	1	31
Luckie, Lawson	3	25	0	16
Bell, Dillon	4	23	0	10
Delp, Oscar	1	18	0	18
White-Helton, S.	1	17	0	17
Jones, Cash	2	13	0	9
Bowens, Chauncey	1	7	0	7
Thomas, Noah	0	0	0	0

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB	50+
Thorson, Brett	3	143	47.7	52	2	0	2

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Woodring, Peyton	3	3	48	20G, 48G, 24G

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

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Interceptions		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
White-Helton, S.	1	12	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
Branch, Zachariah	0	0	0	1	28	28	0	0	0
Bolden, KJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Aguero, Joenel	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

#15/15 Vols Fall To #6/3 Georgia In Overtime, 44-41

No. 15/15 Tennessee went toe-to-toe with No. 6/3 Georgia but came up just short in overtime, falling 44-41 before a sold-out Checker Neyland crowd of 101,915. After Tennessee grabbed a 41-38 lead on a 42-yard **Max Gilbert** field goal in the extra period, Georgia answered with a one-yard touchdown run by Josh McCray to seal the win. The Vols nearly ended it in regulation, driving to the Bulldog 25, but Gilbert's 43-yard attempt sailed wide with three seconds left. Quarterback **Joey Aguilar** paced a fast start, throwing two first-half touchdowns to **Chris Brazzell II** and running for another. Aguilar went a perfect 14-of-14 for 213 yards in the opening quarter as Tennessee raced to a 21-7 lead. Georgia chipped away, pulling within 21-17 by halftime, then grabbed its first lead in the third quarter. The Vols answered with explosive plays down the stretch. Aguilar and Brazzell connected for a 56-yard score to regain the lead, then Aguilar hit **Braylon Staley** from 32 yards out to go up 35-30 with 11:01 left. After a **Joshua Josephs** strip sack set up a 48-yard Gilbert kick, Tennessee led 38-30, but Georgia responded with a touchdown and two-point conversion to force overtime. Aguilar finished with 371 passing yards and four touchdowns, three to Brazzell, who posted 177 yards receiving. Staley added 97 yards and a score. Defensively, **Arion Carter** tallied 14 tackles, while **Caleb Herring** had 2.5 TFLs and 1.5 sacks.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT		Final
Georgia	7	10	10	11	6	-	44
Tennessee	21	0	7	10	3	-	41

1st	12:30	UT	Aguilar, Joey 4 yd run (Gilbert, Max kick)
1st	09:58	UGA	Stockton, Gunner 6 yd run (Woodring, Peyton kick)
1st	09:29	UT	Brazzell II, Chris 72 yd pass from Aguilar, Joey (Gilbert, Max kick)
1st	03:37	UT	Brazzell II, Chris 14 yd pass from Aguilar, Joey (Gilbert, Max kick)
2nd	14:52	UGA	Branch, Zachariah 36 yd pass from Stockton, Gunner (Woodring, Peyton kick)
2nd	01:42	UGA	Woodring, Peyton 20 yd field goal
3rd	07:19	UGA	McCray, Josh 1 yd run (Woodring, Peyton kick)
3rd	01:45	UGA	Woodring, Peyton 48 yd field goal
3rd	00:07	UT	Brazzell II, Chris 56 yd pass from Aguilar, Joey (Gilbert, Max kick)
4th	12:17	UGA	Woodring, Peyton 24 yd field goal
4th	11:01	UT	Staley, Braylon 32 yd pass from Aguilar, Joey (Gilbert, Max kick)
4th	06:40	UT	Gilbert, Max 48 yd field goal
4th	02:32	UGA	Humphreys, London 28 yd pass from Stockton, Gunner (Branch, Zachariah pass)
4th	00:00	UT	Gilbert, Max 42 yd field goal
4th	00:00	UGA	McCray, Josh 1 yd run

Team Stats

	UGA	UT
FIRST DOWNS	28	23
Rushing	9	6
Passing	14	15
Penalty	5	2
NET YARDS RUSHING	198	125
Rushing Attempts	55	34
Average Per Rush	3.6	3.7
Rushing Touchdowns	3	1
Rushing Yards Gained	215	140
Rushing Yards Lost	17	15
NET YARDS PASSING	304	371
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions	23-32-1	24-36-2
Average Per Attempt	9.5	10.3
Average Per Completion	13.2	15.5
Passing Touchdowns	2	4
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	502	496
Total Offensive Plays	87	70
Average Gain Per Play	5.8	7.1
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-1	2-0
Penalties: Number-Yards	5-39	10-82
PUNTS-YARDS	3-143	3-145
Average Yards Per Punt	47.7	48.3
Net Yards Per Punt	47.7	44.3
Inside 20	2	2
50+ Yards	2	1
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair Catch	2	1
KICKOFFS-YARDS	8-520	7-455
Average Yards Per Kickoff	65.0	65.0
Net Yards Per Kickoff	40.0	39.6
Touchbacks	8	6
Fair Catch Yards	0	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-12-0	1-0-0
Average Per Return	12.0	0.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-28-0	0-0-0
Average Per Return	28.0	0.0
Interceptions: Number-Yards-TD	2-0-0	1-38-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	38:26	21:32
Third-Down Conversions	8 of 17	5 of 12
Fourth-Down Conversions	2 of 2	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	5-5	2-3
Touchdowns	3	2
Field goals	2	0
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-10	4-10
PAT Kicks	3-3	5-5
2Pts Conversions	1-1	0-0
Field Goals	3-3	2-3
Points off turnovers	3	0

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NEUTRAL: 1-0

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Schedule & Results											
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. 30	24/18	vs. Syracuse	ABC	Atlanta	W, 45-26	45,918	S. Thomas (12-92-0)	J. Aguilar (16-28-247-3)	B. Staley (4-95-1)	A. Carter (9)	
Sept. 6	22/17	ETSU	SECN+	Knoxville	W, 72-17	101,915	S. Thomas (12-69-3)	J. Aguilar (23-31-288-2)	C. Brazzell (9-125-2)	A. Carter/Eason (4)	
Sept. 13	15/15	#6/3 Georgia*	ABC	Knoxville	L, 44-41 (OT)	101,915	S. Thomas (9-60-0)	J. Aguilar (24-36-371-4)	C. Brazzell (6-177-3)	A. Carter (14)	
Sept. 20	15/15	UAB	SECN	Knoxville	12:45 ET						
Sept. 27	-/-	at Miss. State*	SECN	Starkville	4:15 ET						
Oct. 11	-/-	Arkansas*	TBD	Knoxville	TBD						
Oct. 18	-/-	at Alabama*	TBD	Tuscaloosa	TBD						
Oct. 25	-/-	at Kentucky*	TBD	Lexington	TBD						
Nov. 1	-/-	Oklahoma*	TBD	Knoxville	TBD						
Nov. 15	-/-	New Mexico St. (HC)	SECN	Knoxville	4:15 ET						
Nov. 22	-/-	at Florida*	TBD	Gainesville	TBD						
Nov. 29	-/-	Vanderbilt*	TBD	Knoxville	TBD						
Rankings listed (AP/Coaches) *SEC Game											

TEAM STATS

	UT	OPP
Scoring	158	87
Points per game	52.7	29.0
Points Off Turnovers	10	10
First Downs	86	62
Rushing	32	21
Passing	49	33
Penalty	5	8
Rushing Yardage	630	350
Yards gained rushing	681	446
Yards lost rushing	51	96
Rushing attempts	122	127
Average per rush	5.2	2.8
Average per game	210.0	116.7
TDs Rushing	8	7
Passing Yardage	1076	745
Comp-Att-Int	78-116-2	65-103-2
Average per pass	9.3	7.2
Average per catch	13.8	11.5
Average per game	358.7	248.3
TDs Passing	11	4
Total offense	1706	1095
Total plays	238	230
Average per play	7.2	4.8
Average per game	568.7	365.0
Kick returns: #-Yards	2-42	2-31
Punt returns: #-Yards	9-120	1-12
Int returns: #-Yards	2-38	2-0
Kick return average	21.0	15.5
Punt return average	13.3	12.0
Int return average	19.0	0.0
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	4-2
Penalties-Yards	23-192	17-117
Average per game	64.0	39.0
Punts-Yards	8-356	18-835
Average per punt	44.5	46.4
Net punt average	43.0	38.6
Kickoffs-Yards	28-1781	17-1097
Average per kick	63.6	64.5
Net kick average	39.3	40.4
Time of possession / game	27:21	32:38
3rd-down conversion	22/38	15/46
3rd-down pct	58%	33%
4th-down conversion	0/0	5/7
4th-down pct	0%	71%
Sacks by-Yards	12-72	1-10
Misc Yards	0	0
Touchdowns scored	20	11
Field goals - attempts	6-7	4-4
On-Side kicks	0-0	0-0
Red-zone scores	(17-18) 94%	(11-12) 92%
Red-zone touchdowns	(14-18) 78%	(9-12) 75%
PAT-attempts	(20-20) 100%	(7-7) 100%
2-point conversion-attempts	(0-0) 0%	(1-3) 33%
Attendance	203830	0
Games / Avg per game	2/101915	0/0
Neutral site games	-	1/45918

Score by Periods						
Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
Tennessee	62	38	28	27	3	158
Opponents	7	31	19	24	6	87

INDIVIDUAL OFFENSIVE STATS

Rushing									
Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Star Thomas	3	33	222	1	221	6.7	3	27	73.7
DeSean Bishop	3	29	206	2	204	7.0	1	50	68.0
Peyton Lewis	3	21	80	4	76	3.6	2	8	25.3
Daune Morris	2	11	50	0	50	4.5	1	10	25.0
Justin Baker	3	11	40	3	37	3.4	0	7	12.3
Joey Aguilar	3	11	48	22	26	2.4	1	25	8.7
Mason Phillips	1	2	18	0	18	9.0	0	16	18.0
Jake Merklinger	1	2	17	0	17	8.5	0	11	17.0
Team	3	2	0	19	-19	-9.5	0	0	-6.3
Total	3	122	681	51	630	5.2	8	50	210.0
Opponents	3	127	446	96	350	2.8	7	21	116.7

Passing									
Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g	
Joey Aguilar	3	173.5	63-95-2	66.3	906	9	73	302.0	
Jake Merklinger	1	182.2	9-14-0	64.3	118	2	32	118.0	
George MacIntyre	1	148.1	6-7-0	85.7	52	0	13	52.0	
Total	3	173.0	78-116-2	67.2	1076	11	73	358.7	
Opponents	3	132.8	65-103-2	63.1	745	4	45	248.3	

Receiving							
Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Chris Brazzell II	3	20	364	18.2	5	72	121.3
Braylon Staley	3	18	231	12.8	2	73	77.0
Mike Matthews	3	13	199	15.3	1	53	66.3
Miles Kitselman	3	8	79	9.9	1	18	26.3
Radarious Jackson	3	4	40	10.0	0	15	13.3
Tommy Winton III	1	3	26	8.7	0	12	26.0
DeSean Bishop	3	2	44	22.0	0	23	14.7
Travis Smith Jr.	3	2	20	10.0	0	13	6.7
DaSaahn Brame	2	2	16	8.0	0	12	8.0
Star Thomas	3	1	7	7.0	1	7	2.3
Trey Weary	1	1	6	6.0	0	6	6.0
Ethan Davis	3	1	1	1.0	0	1	0.3
Peyton Lewis	3	1	9	9.0	0	9	3.0
Jack Van Dorselaer	3	1	7	7.0	1	7	2.3
Joakim Dodson	1	1	27	27.0	0	27	27.0
Total	3	78	1076	13.8	11	73	358.7
Opponents	3	65	745	11.5	4	45	248.3



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INDIVIDUAL OFFENSIVE/SPECIAL TEAMS STATISTICS

Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Max Gilbert	6-7	85.7	0-0	1-1	2-2	2-3	1-1	53	0
Opponents	4-4	100.0	0-0	2-2	0-0	2-2	0-0	48	0

Scoring

Player	td	fg	PAT						pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass	dxp	saf	
Max Gilbert	-	6-7	17-17	-	-	-	-	-	35
Chris Brazzell II	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
Star Thomas	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
Braylon Staley	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Peyton Lewis	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Miles Kitselman	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Colton Hood	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
DeSean Bishop	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Joey Aguilar	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Mike Matthews	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Jack Van Dorselaer	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Daune Morris	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Josh Turbyville	-	-	3-3	-	-	-	-	-	3
Total	20	6-7	20-20	0	0	0	0	0	158
Opponents	11	4-4	7-7	0	1	1	0	0	87

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
Tennessee	62	38	28	27	3	158
Opponents	7	31	19	24	6	87

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Boo Carter	5	94	18.8	0	40
Daune Morris	3	24	8.0	0	11
Braylon Staley	1	2	2.0	0	2
Total	9	120	13.3	0	40
Opponents	1	12	12.0	0	12

Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Jeremiah Telander	1	0	0.0	0	0
Ty Redmond	1	38	38.0	0	38
Total	2	38	19.0	0	38
Opponents	2	0	0.0	0	0

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Peyton Lewis	2	42	21.0	0	24
Total	2	42	21.0	0	24
Opponents	2	31	15.5	0	28

Fumbles Recovered

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Colton Hood	1	0	0.0	1	0
Bryson Eason	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	2	0	0.0	1	0
Opponents	2	0	0.0	0	0

Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Jackson Ross	8	356	44.5	57	0	4	6	2	0
Total	8	356	44.5	57	0	4	6	2	0
Opponents	18	835	46.4	58	1	5	5	7	0

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Boo Carter	5	94	18.8	0	40
Daune Morris	3	24	8.0	0	11
Braylon Staley	1	2	2.0	0	2
Total	9	120	13.3	0	40
Opponents	1	12	12.0	0	12

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Peyton Lewis	2	42	21.0	0	24
Total	2	42	21.0	0	24
Opponents	2	31	15.5	0	28

All Purpose

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Chris Brazzell II	3	0	364	0	0	0	364	121.3
DeSean Bishop	3	204	44	0	0	0	248	82.7
Braylon Staley	3	0	231	2	0	0	233	77.7
Star Thomas	3	221	7	0	0	0	228	76.0
Mike Matthews	3	0	199	0	0	0	199	66.3
Peyton Lewis	3	76	9	0	42	0	127	42.3
Boo Carter	3	0	0	94	0	0	94	31.3
Miles Kitselman	3	0	79	0	0	0	79	26.3
Daune Morris	2	50	0	24	0	0	74	37.0
Radarious Jackson	3	0	40	0	0	0	40	13.3
Ty Redmond	3	0	0	0	0	38	38	12.7
Justin Baker	3	37	0	0	0	0	37	12.3
Joakim Dodson	1	0	27	0	0	0	27	27.0
Tommy Winton III	1	0	26	0	0	0	26	26.0
Joey Aguilar	3	26	0	0	0	0	26	8.7
Travis Smith Jr.	3	0	20	0	0	0	20	6.7
Mason Phillips	1	18	0	0	0	0	18	18.0
Jake Merklinger	1	17	0	0	0	0	17	17.0
DaSaahn Brame	2	0	16	0	0	0	16	8.0
Jack Van Dorselaer	3	0	7	0	0	0	7	2.3
Trey Weary	1	0	6	0	0	0	6	6.0
Ethan Davis	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	0.3
Total	3	630	1076	120	42	38	1906	635.3
Opponents	3	350	745	12	31	0	1138	379.3

Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Joey Aguilar	3	106	26	906	932	310.7
Star Thomas	3	33	221	0	221	73.7
DeSean Bishop	3	29	204	0	204	68.0
Jake Merklinger	1	16	17	118	135	135.0
Peyton Lewis	3	21	76	0	76	25.3
George MacIntyre	1	7	0	52	52	52.0
Daune Morris	2	11	50	0	50	25.0
Justin Baker	3	11	37	0	37	12.3
Mason Phillips	1	2	18	0	18	18.0
Total	3	238	630	1076	1706	568.7
Opponents	3	230	350	745	1095	365.0

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INDIVIDUAL DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

##	Player	gp	Tackles				Sacks	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot	tfl/yds		int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick	saf
7	Arion Carter	3	9	18	27	2-11	1-10	.	1	.	.	1	.	.
6	Jalen McMurray	3	12	5	17	1-5	1-5	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
2	Andre Turrentine	3	10	5	15	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
15	Edrees Farooq	3	6	8	14	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.
13	Edwin Spillman	3	4	10	14	1-7	1-7	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
22	Jeremiah Telander	3	6	7	13	1-1	.	1-0	.	.	.	.	.	.
19	Joshua Josephs	3	9	3	12	4-20	3-19	.	1	1	.	2	.	.
20	Bryson Eason	3	2	9	11	1-5	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
8	Colton Hood	3	6	5	11	.	.	.	5	.	1-0	.	.	.
42	Tyre West	3	3	7	10	1-8	1-8	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
4	Ty Redmond	3	6	3	9	.	.	1-38	3	.	.	.	.	.
90	Dominic Bailey	3	2	7	9	1-3	1-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
18	Tyree Weathersby	2	4	4	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
23	Boo Carter	3	4	4	8	0.5-1	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
29	Jordan Ross	3	2	5	7	2-8	0.5-2	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
94	Nathan Robinson	3	1	5	6	1-7	1-7	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
12	Jaedon Harmon	3	3	3	6	.	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
10	Kaleb Beasley	3	2	3	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
31	Caleb Herring	3	4	1	5	3.5-13	1.5-5	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
33	Ben Bolton	3	1	4	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
9	Mariyon Dye	3	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
99	Charles House III	1	1	1	2	1.5-7	1-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26	Sidney Walton	3	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
89	Mike Bethea II	2	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30	Jamal Wallace	3	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
58	Herb Gray	1	.	1	1	0.5-0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
35	Carson Gentle	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
11	Jordan Burns	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
0	William Wright	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
17	Ethan Utley	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
20	Justin Baker	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
21	Tre Poteat	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
24	Dylan Lewis	2	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1	Rickey Gibson III	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
27	Jadon Perlotte	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
47	Isaiah Campbell	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
28	Marcus Goree Jr.	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Totals		3	108	126	234	21-96	12-72	2-38	15	8	2-0	4	0	0
Opponents		3	106	150	256	8-26	1-10	2-0	10	5	2-0	0	0	0

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TENNESSEE GAME-BY-GAME

		Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				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
08/30/2025	vs Syracuse	40	246	2	47	16	247	3	73	16-28-0	247	3	73	1	24	0	24	1	2	0	2	493		
09/06/2025	ETSU	48	259	5	50	38	458	4	53	38-52-0	458	4	53	1	18	0	18	7	118	0	40	717		
09/13/2025	Georgia	34	125	1	27	24	371	4	72	24-36-2	371	4	72	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	496		
Tennessee		122	630	8	50	78	1076	11	73	78-116-2	1076	11	73	2	42	0	24	9	120	0	40	1706		
Opponents		127	350	7	21	65	745	4	45	65-103-2	745	4	45	2	31	0	28	1	12	0	12	1095		

Tennessee Averages

Games	Avg/ rush	Avg/ catch	Pass effic	KR avg	PR avg	All purpose avg/game	Total offense avg/game
3	5.2	13.8	173.0	21.0	13.3	635.3	568.7

		Tackles				Sacks	Fumble	Pass Defense			blkd	PAT attempts			off			
Date	Opponent	ua	a	total	tfl-yds	no-yds	ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
08/30/2025	vs Syracuse	48	28	76	7.0-45	5-39	2	1-0	1-0	1	10	0	6-6	0	0	0	7	45
09/06/2025	ETSU	25	28	53	7.0-35	3-23	1	0-0	0-0	5	4	0	9-9	0	0	0	0	72
09/13/2025	Georgia	35	70	105	7.0-16	4-10	1	1-0	1-38	2	1	0	5-5	0	0	0	3	41
Tennessee		108	126	234	21.0-96	12-72	4	2-0	2-38	8	15	0	20-20	0	0	0	10	158
Opponents		106	150	256	8.0-26	1-10	0	2-0	2-0	5	10	0	7-7	0	1	0	10	87

Date	Opponent	Punting										Field Goals			Kickoffs			
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
08/30/2025	vs Syracuse	4	175	43.8	56	0	0	3	1	3	1-1	34	0	8	520	65.0	8	0
09/06/2025	ETSU	1	36	36.0	36	0	0	0	0	1	3-3	53	0	13	806	62.0	12	0
09/13/2025	Georgia	3	145	48.3	57	0	0	1	1	2	2-3	48	0	7	455	65.0	6	0
Tennessee		8	356	44.5	57	0	0	4	2	6	6-7	53	0	28	1781	63.6	26	0
Opponents		18	835	46.4	58	0	1	5	7	5	4-4	48	0	17	1097	64.5	12	0



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OPPONENT GAME-BY-GAME

		Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				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
08/30/2025	vs Syracuse	44	103	3	14	23	274	1	29	23	40	1	274	1	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	377
09/06/2025	ETSU	28	49	1	20	19	167	1	24	19	31	0	167	1	24	1	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	216
09/13/2025	Georgia	55	198	3	21	23	304	2	45	23	32	1	304	2	45	1	28	0	28	1	12	0	12	502
Opponents		127	350	7	21	65	745	4	45	65	103	2	745	4	45	2	31	0	28	1	12	0	12	1095
Tennessee		122	630	8	50	78	1076	11	73	78	116	2	1076	11	73	2	42	0	24	9	120	0	40	1706

Opponents Averages

Games	Avg/ rush	Avg/ catch	Pass effc	KR avg	PR avg	All purpose avg/game	Total offense avg/game
3	2.8	11.5	132.8	15.5	12.0	379.3	365.0

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks	Fumble	Pass Defense			blkd	PAT attempts			off			
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds	no-yds	ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
08/30/2025	vs Syracuse	37	26	63	3.0-7	0-0	0	1-0	0-0	0	4	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	26
09/06/2025	ETSU	50	60	110	3.0-8	0-0	0	1-0	0-0	4	2	0	2-2	0	0	0	7	17
09/13/2025	Georgia	19	64	83	2.0-11	1-10	0	0-0	2-0	1	4	0	3-3	0	1	0	3	44
Opponents		106	150	256	8.0-26	1-10	0	2-0	2-0	5	10	0	7-7	0	1	0	10	87
Tennessee		108	126	234	21.0-96	12-72	4	2-0	2-38	8	15	0	20-20	0	0	0	10	158

		Punting										Field Goals			Kickoffs				
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	
08/30/2025	vs Syracuse	5	231	46.2	58	0	0	3	2	2	0-0	0	0	5	320	64.0	2	0	
09/06/2025	ETSU	10	461	46.1	55	0	1	0	3	1	1-1	41	0	4	257	64.3	2	0	
09/13/2025	Georgia	3	143	47.7	52	0	0	2	2	2	3-3	48	0	8	520	65.0	8	0	
Opponents		18	835	46.4	58	0	1	5	7	5	4-4	48	0	17	1097	64.5	12	0	
Tennessee		8	356	44.5	57	0	0	4	2	6	6-7	53	0	28	1781	63.6	26	0	

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TEAM GAME-BY-GAME COMPARISON

Opponent	Score	First Downs				Rushing Number-Yards	Passing		Total Offense Plays-Yards	Return Yards	Turn- Overs
		Total	Rush	Pass	Pen		Comp-Att.-Int	Yards			
Syracuse	45-26	22 / 24	12 / 9	9 / 13	1 / 2	40-246 / 44-103	16-28-0 / 23-40-1	247 / 274	68-493 / 84-377	26 / 0	1 / 2
ETSU	72-17	41 / 10	14 / 3	25 / 6	2 / 1	48-259 / 28-49	38-52-0 / 19-31-0	458 / 167	100-717 / 59-216	136 / 3	1 / 0
Georgia	41-44	23 / 28	6 / 9	15 / 14	2 / 5	34-125 / 55-198	24-36-2 / 23-32-1	371 / 304	70-496 / 87-502	38 / 40	2 / 2
Totals	158-87	86 / 62	32 / 21	49 / 33	5 / 8	122-630 / 127-350	78-116-2 / 65-103-2	1076 / 745	238-1706 / 230-1095	200 / 43	4 / 4

Opponents	3rd Down Conversion	4th Down Conversion	Time of Possession	TOP Margin	Avg Yds/Rush	Avg Yds/Pass	Avg Yds/Play	Punting Number-Avg	Penalties Number-Yards	Sacks
Syracuse	7-12 / 5-14	0-0 / 3-4	25:29 / 34:31	-09:02	6.2 / 2.3	8.8 / 6.9	7.3 / 4.5	4-43.8 / 5-46.2	7-65.0 / 4-30.0	5 / 0
ETSU	10-14 / 2-15	0-0 / 0-1	35:02 / 24:58	10:04	5.4 / 1.8	8.8 / 5.4	7.2 / 3.7	1-36.0 / 10-46.1	6-45.0 / 8-48.0	3 / 0
Georgia	5-12 / 8-17	0-0 / 2-2	21:32 / 38:26	-16:54	3.7 / 3.6	10.3 / 9.5	7.1 / 5.8	3-48.3 / 3-47.7	10-82.0 / 5-39.0	4 / 1
Totals	22-38 / 15-46	0-0 / 5-7	82:03 / 97:55	-15:52	5.2 / 2.8	9.3 / 7.2	7.2 / 4.8	8-44.5 / 18-46.4	23-192.0 / 17-117.0	12 / 1

Note: Game totals are displayed in the format TEAM/OPPONENT for each category

TURNOVERS

TENNESSEE GIVEAWAY/TAKEAWAY

Game	Giveaway			Takeaway			Dif.
	Fum	Int	Tot	Fum	Int	Tot	
vs. Syracuse	1	0	1	1	1	2	+1
ETSU	1	0	1	0	0	0	-1
Georgia	0	2	2	1	1	2	--
TOTAL	2	2	4	2	2	4	--

INTERCEPTIONS

Name	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
vs. Syracuse	1	0	0.0	0	0
ETSU	0	0	0.0	0	--
Georgia	1	38	38.0	0	38
TOTAL	2	38	19.0	0	38

FUMBLES

Name	No.-Lost
Joey Aguilar	2-1
Boo Carter	1-0
TEAM	1-1
TOTAL	4-2

OPENING DRIVES

OPENING OFFENSIVE SERIES

Game	1st Half	2nd Half
vs. Syracuse	Field Goal	Touchdown
ETSU	Touchdown	Touchdown
Georgia	Touchdown	Punt

OPENING DEFENSIVE SERIES

Game	1st Half	2nd Half
vs. Syracuse	Punt	Interception
ETSU	Punt	Field Goal
Georgia	Touchdown	Touchdown

UNIFORMS

TENNESSEE UNIFORM COMBOS

Game	Helmet	Jersey	Pants
vs. Syracuse	White	Orange	White
ETSU	White	Orange	White
Georgia	White	Orange	White

PREGAME

COIN FLIPS

Game	Flip Outcome
vs. Syracuse	Syracuse Won & Deferred to 2nd Half
ETSU	ETSU Won & Deferred to 2nd Half
Georgia	Georgia Won & Deferred to 2nd Half

TENNESSEE CAPTAINS

Game	Name(s)
vs. Syracuse	Bennett Brady, Arion Carter, Miles Kitselman, Andre Turrentine
ETSU	Dominic Bailey, DeSean Bishop, Edwin Spillman, William Wright
Georgia	Bennett Brady, Joshua Josephs, Miles Kitselman, Jeremiah Telander



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STARTING LINEUPS

Offense	TE	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	WR	WR	QB	RB	RB/FB/TE	WR
vs. Syracuse	M. Kitselman	L. Heard	S. Umarov	S. Pendleton	W. Moe	J. Perry	M. Matthews	B. Staley	J. Aguilar	D. Bishop	--	C. Brazzell
ETSU	M. Kitselman	L. Heard	S. Umarov	S. Pendleton	W. Moe	J. Perry	M. Matthews	--	J. Aguilar	D. Bishop	E. Davis	B. Staley
Georgia	M. Kitselman	L. Heard	S. Umarov	S. Pendleton	W. Moe	J. Perry	M. Matthews	B. Staley	J. Aguilar	D. Bishop	--	C. Brazzell

Defense	LEO	DT	DT	DE	MLB	WLB	SLB	STAR	CB	S	S	CB
vs. Syracuse	J. Josephs	J. Moi	B. Eason	D. Bailey	J. Telander	A. Carter	--	J. McMurray	C. Hood	E. Farooq	A. Turrentine	R. Gibson
ETSU	J. Josephs	D. Bailey	B. Eason	T. West	J. Telander	A. Carter	--	J. McMurray	C. Hood	E. Farooq	A. Turrentine	T. Redmond
Georgia	J. Josephs	D. Bailey	B. Eason	T. West	J. Telander	A. Carter	--	J. McMurray	C. Hood	E. Farooq	A. Turrentine	T. Redmond

STARTING EXPERIENCE

OFFENSE	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Tot	Strk
Joey Aguilar, QB	.	.	.	13*	11*	3	27	27
DeSean Bishop, RB	3	3	3
Chris Brazzell II, WR	.	.	.	8*	9	2	19	1
Ethan Davis, TE	1	1	.
Lance Heard, OL	.	.	.	1*	11	3	15	12
Miles Kitselman, TE	13	3	16	16
Mike Matthews, WR	3	3	3
Wendell Moe Jr., OL	.	.	3*	13*	11*	3	30	10
Sam Pendleton, OL	7*	3	10	3
Jesse Perry, OL	3	3	3
Braylon Staley, WR	3	3	3
Star Thomas, RB	.	.	1*	3*	10*	.	14	.
Shamurad Umarov, OL	3	3	3

* Starts were recorded while playing for another school

DEFENSE	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Tot	Strk
Dominic Bailey, DL	.	.	.	2	10	3	15	8
Arion Carter, LB	13	3	16	16
Boo Carter, DB	5	.	5	.
Bryson Eason, DL	.	.	1	7	13	3	24	16
Edrees Farooq, DB	3	3	3
Rickey Gibson III, DB	.	.	.	1	12	1	14	.
Colton Hood, DB	1*	3	4	3
Joshua Josephs, DL	5	3	8	3
Jermod McCoy, DB	.	.	.	5*	13	.	18	.
Jalen McMurray, DB	.	.	12*	11*	1	3	27	3
Jaxson Moi, DL	.	.	1*	7*	.	1	9	.
Ty Redmond, DB	2	2	2
Jeremiah Telander, LB	8	3	11	11
Andre Turrentine, DB	.	.	.	3	13	3	19	19
Tyre West, DL	3	2	5	2

* Starts were recorded while playing for another school

2025 STATISTICS

EXPLOSIVE PLAYS (20+ YARDS)

20-YARD PLUS PLAYS
BY TENNESSEE (22)

OFFENSE (17)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Opp.
73*	Pass	Aguilar to Staley	SU
72*	Pass	Aguilar to Brazzell	UGA
56*	Pass	Aguilar to Brazzell	UGA
53*	Pass	Aguilar to Matthews	ETSU
50	Rush	DeSean Bishop	ETSU
47	Rush	DeSean Bishop	SU
32*	Pass	Aguilar to Staley	UGA
32	Pass	Merklinger to Brazzell	ETSU
27	Rush	Star Thomas	UGA
27	Pass	Merklinger to Dodson	ETSU
26	Pass	Aguilar to Brazzell	ETSU
25	Rush	Joey Aguilar	SU
23	Pass	Aguilar to Bishop	SU
22	Rush	Star Thomas	SU
21	Pass	Aguilar to Matthews	UGA
21*	Pass	Aguilar to Brazzell	ETSU
21*	Pass	Aguilar to Bishop	SU

* touchdown scored on play

DEFENSE (2)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Opp.
38	INT	Ty Redmond	UGA
22*	FR	Colton Hood	SU

* touchdown scored on play

SPECIAL TEAMS (3)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Opp.
40	PR	Boo Carter	ETSU
34	PR	Boo Carter	ETSU
24	KR	Peyton Lewis	SU

* touchdown scored on play

20-YARD PLUS PLAYS
BY OPPONENT (17)

OFFENSE (16)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Team
45	Pass	Stockton to Young	UGA
36*	Pass	Stockton to Branch	UGA
31	Pass	Stockton to Humphreys	UGA
28*	Pass	Stockton to Humphreys	UGA
29	Pass	Angeli to Cook	SU
28	Pass	Angeli to Russell	SU
26	Pass	Angeli to Gill	SU
24	Pass	Criswell to Keller	ETSU
23	Pass	Angeli to Ross-Simmons	SU
22	Pass	McNamara to Floyd	ETSU
22	Pass	Angeli to Ross-Simmons	SU
21	Rush	Nate Frazier	UGA
21	Pass	McNamara to Browder	ETSU
21	Pass	Angeli to Nixon	SU
20*	Rush	Jason Albritton	ETSU
20	Pass	Angeli to Villari	SU

* touchdown scored on play

DEFENSE (0)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Team
* touchdown scored on play			

SPECIAL TEAMS (1)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Team
28	KR	Zachariah Branch	UGA

* touchdown scored on play

UT LONG PLAYS BY THE NUMBERS

Long Plays By Yards	No.	TD
100+	0	0
90-99	0	0
80-89	0	0
70-79	2	2
60-69	0	0
50-59	3	2
40-49	2	0
30-39	4	1
20-29	11	2

Long Plays By Type	No.	TD
Rushing	5	0
Passing	12	6
Punt returns	2	0
Kick returns	1	0
Interceptions	1	0
Fumble returns	1	1
Other	0	0
TOTAL	22	7

20-YARDS-PLUS BY PLAYER

Player	No.	TD	Rush	Rec	KR	PR	IR	FR
Chris Brazzell II	5	3	0	5	0	0	0	0
DeSean Bishop	4	0	2	2	0	0	0	0
Boo Carter	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Mike Matthews	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
Braylon Staley	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
Star Thomas	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Joey Aguilar	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Joakim Dodson	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Colton Hood	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Peyton Lewis	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Ty Redmond	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
TOTAL	22	7	5	12	1	2	1	1

20-YARDS-PLUS BY GAME

Player	No.	TD	R	P	KR	PR	IR	FR
vs. Syracuse	8	2	3	3	1	0	0	1
ETSU	8	2	1	5	0	2	0	0
Georgia	6	3	1	4	0	0	1	0
TOTAL	22	7	5	12	1	2	1	1

20-YARDS-PLUS OPPONENT BY GAME

Player	No.	TD	R	P	KR	PR	IR	FR
vs. Syracuse	7	0	0	7	0	0	0	0
ETSU	4	1	1	3	0	0	0	0
Georgia	6	2	1	4	1	0	0	0
TOTAL	17	3	2	14	1	0	0	0

TENNESSEE'S LONGEST PLAYS OF THE YEAR

Rushing	50	DeSean Bishop vs. ETSU (9/6)
Rushing TD	10	Daune Morris vs. ETSU (9/6)
Passing	73	B. Staley from J. Aguilar vs. Syracuse (8/30)
Passing TD	73	B. Staley from J. Aguilar vs. Syracuse (8/30)
Punt Return	40	Boo Catrer vs. ETSU (9/6)
Kick Return	24	Peyton Lewis vs. Syracuse (8/30)
INT Return	38	Ty Redmond vs. Georgia (9/13)
Fumble Return	22	Colton Hood vs. Syracuse (8/30)
Field Goal	53	Max Gilbert vs. ETSU (9/6)
Punt	57	Jackson Ross vs. Georgia (9/13)

2025 STATISTICS

TENNESSEE MISCELLANEOUS INDIVIDUAL STATS

GAMES WITH A RECEPTION

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Streak	Career
DeSean Bishop	1	1	...	2
DaSaahn Brame	1	...	1
Chris Brazzell II	...	1*	12*	12	3	5	28
Ethan Davis	1	8	1	...	10
Joakim Dodson	1	...	1
Radarious Jackson	2	2	2
Miles Kitselman	...	1*	...	9	3	9	13
Peyton Lewis	2	1	...	3
Mike Matthews	4	3	3	7
Nathan Roberts	1	...	...	...	1
Travis Smith Jr.	1	...	1
Braylon Staley	2	3	4	5
Star Thomas	...	10*	11*	8*	1	...	30
Jack Van Dorselaer	1	...	1
Trey Weary	1	1	...	2
Tommy Witton III	1	...	1

FIRST DOWN RECEPTIONS

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Career
DeSean Bishop	1	2	3
DaSaahn Brame	1	1
Chris Brazzell II	...	1*	33*	18	14	66
Ethan Davis	2	6	...	8
Joakim Dodson	1	1
Radarious Jackson	3	3
Miles Kitselman	...	1*	...	18	4	23
Mike Matthews	5	10	15
Travis Smith Jr.	1	1
Braylon Staley	1	9	10
Trey Weary	2	1	3
Star Thomas	...	5*	13*	7*	...	25
Jack Van Dorselaer	1	1
Tommy Witton III	2	2

25+ YARD RECEPTIONS

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Career
Chris Brazzell II	9*	1	4	14
Joakim Dodson	1	1
Miles Kitselman	1	...	1
Mike Matthews	1	1	2
Braylon Staley	2	2
Star Thomas	...	3*	...	1*	...	4

GAMES WITH A RECEIVING TOUCHDOWN

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Streak	Career
Chris Brazzell II	4*	2	2	2	8
Ethan Davis	2	...	...	2
Miles Kitselman	4	1	...	5
Mike Matthews	2	1	...	3
Braylon Staley	2	1	2
Star Thomas	...	3*	2*	1*	1	...	7
Jack Van Dorselaer	1	...	1

GAMES WITH A RUSHING TOUCHDOWN

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Streak	Career
Joey Aguilar	3*	1*	1	1	5
DeSean Bishop	2	1	...	3
Miles Kitselman	1	...	...	1
Peyton Lewis	2	2	...	4
Daune Morris	1	...	1
Star Thomas	...	5*	3*	6*	1	...	15

10+ YARD RUSHES

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Career
Joey Aguilar	14*	14*	1	29
Hunter Barnes	2	...	2
DeSean Bishop	12	3	15
Peyton Lewis	9	...	9
Jake Merklinger	1	1	2
Daune Morris	1	1
Mason Phillips	1	1
Star Thomas	...	12*	19*	22*	8	61

20+ YARD RUSHES

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Career
Joey Aguilar	3*	2*	1	6
DeSean Bishop	4	2	6
Peyton Lewis	4	...	4
Jake Merklinger	1	...	1
Star Thomas	...	5*	6*	9*	2	22

GAMES WITH A PASSING TOUCHDOWN

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Streak	Career
Joey Aguilar	11*	11*	3	14	25
Jake Merklinger	1	...	1

GAMES WITH MULTIPLE PASSING TOUCHDOWNS

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Streak	Career
Joey Aguilar	11*	8*	3	5	22
Jake Merklinger	1	...	1

GAMES WITH A TACKLE

Player	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Streak	Career
Hunter Barnes	1	...	...	...	...	1
Dominic Bailey	...	1	7	8	12	3	5	31
Justin Baker	1	1	1
Kaleb Beasley	3	3	3	6
Mike Bethea II	1	2	2	3
Ben Bolton	1	2	3	3	6	9
Colin Brazzell	1	...	...	1
Jordan Burns	1	1	...	2
Isaiah Campbell	1	...	1
Arion Carter	7	13	3	16	23
Boo Carter	13	3	16	16
Mariyon Dye	1	...	1
Bryson Eason	2	2	12	12	11	3	3	42
Edrees Farooq	5	3	3	8
Carson Gentle	3	1	...	4
Rickey Gibson III	4	10	1	...	15
Marcus Goree Jr.	1	1	...	2
Herb Gray	1	...	1
Jaedon Harmon	2	...	2
Caleb Herring	2	6	2	2	10
Daevin Hobbs	6	12	...	...	18
Colton Hood	1*	13*	2	1	16
Charles House III	1	...	1
Joshua Josephs	5	10	12	3	7	30
Dylan Lewis	1	1	1
Peyton Lewis	1	...	...	1
Kellen Lindstrom	1	...	...	1
Jackson Mathews	1	...	...	1
Jermody McCoy	8*	11	...	...	19
Jalen McMurray	...	1*	12*	11*	10	3	4	37
Jaxon Moi	9*	9*	8	...	...	26
Jadon Perlotte	1	...	1
Tre Poteat	1	...	1
Ty Redmond	3	3	3
Nathan Robinson	3	2	...	5
Jordan Ross	2	3	3	5
Ryan Scott	3	...	...	3
Grier Short	1	...	...	1
Edwin Spillman	4	3	5	7
Jeremiah Telander	9	11	3	4	23
Josh Turbyville	1	...	...	...	1
Andre Turrentine	5	6	12	2	1	25
Ethan Utley	1	1	1
Jamal Wallace	2	1	...	3
Sidney Walton	1	...	1
Tyree Weathersby	1	2	1	3
Tyre West	6	6	9	2	2	23
William Wright	...	1	6	2	1	1	1	11

GAMES AS LEADING TACKLER (UT ONLY)

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Streak	Career
Boo Carter	2	...	...	2
Arion Carter	4	3	3	7
Bryson Eason	1	1	...	2
Edrees Farooq	1	...	...	1
Joshua Josephs	1	...	...	1
Jermody McCoy	2	...	...	2
Jeremiah Telander	1	1	...	...	2
Andre Turrentine	...	1	...	...	...	...	1

DOUBLE-DIGIT TACKLE GAMES

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Streak	Career
Arion Carter	1	1	1	2
Jeremiah Telander	1	1
Andre Turrentine	1	1	1

Only stats recorded at the FBS level listed

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2025 STATISTICS

GAME-BY-GAME CONVERSIONS/BY QUARTER STATS

3rd-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
08/30/2025	vs Syracuse	W 45-26	7-12 58.3	3-4 75.0	0-1 0.0	2-4 50.0	2-3 66.7	0-1 0.0
09/06/2025	ETSU	W 72-17	10-14 71.4	2-4 50.0	1-2 50.0	4-4 100.0	3-4 75.0	0-0 0.0
09/13/2025	Georgia	Lot1 41-44	5-12 41.7	1-1 100.0	0-3 0.0	1-3 33.3	3-4 75.0	0-0 0.0
Tennessee			22-38 57.9	6-9 66.7	1-6 16.7	7-11 63.6	8-11 72.7	0-1 0.0
Opponents			15-46 32.6	0-9 0.0	3-12 25.0	10-16 62.5	2-9 22.2	0-0 0.0

4th-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
08/30/2025	vs Syracuse	W 45-26	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0
09/06/2025	ETSU	W 72-17	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0
09/13/2025	Georgia	Lot1 41-44	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0
Tennessee			0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0
Opponents			5-7 71.4	1-1 100.0	2-3 66.7	0-0 0.0	2-3 66.7	0-0 0.0

Time of Possession

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
08/30/2025	vs Syracuse	W 45-26	25:29	07:36	03:22	06:07	08:24	00:00
09/06/2025	ETSU	W 72-17	35:02	08:16	08:31	06:29	11:46	00:00
09/13/2025	Georgia	Lot1 41-44	21:32	08:03	04:23	03:40	05:26	00:00
Tennessee			Total 82:03	23:55	16:16	16:16	25:36	00:00
			Avg. 27:21	07:58	05:25	05:25	08:32	00:00
Opponents			Total 97:55	15:52	33:55	25:44	22:24	00:00
			Avg. 32:38	05:17	11:18	08:35	07:28	00:00

RED ZONE STATS

Tennessee Inside Opponent Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times In RZ	Times Scored	Total Pts	Failed to score inside RZ				Failed to score inside RZ					
			In RZ	Scored	Pts	TDs	Rush TDs	Pass TDs	FGs Made	FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
08/30/2025	vs Syracuse	W 45-26	5	5	31	4	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
09/06/2025	ETSU	W 72-17	10	10	62	8	5	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
09/13/2025	Georgia	L 41-44	3	2	14	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals 17 of 18 (94.4%)			18	17	107	14	8	6	3	4	0	0	0	0	0

Opponents Inside Tennessee Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times In RZ	Times Scored	Total Pts	Failed to score inside RZ				Failed to score inside RZ					
			In RZ	Scored	Pts	TDs	Rush TDs	Pass TDs	FGs Made	FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
08/30/2025	Syracuse	W 45-26	5	4	26	4	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
09/06/2025	ETSU	W 72-17	2	2	14	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
09/13/2025	Georgia	L 41-44	5	5	26	3	3	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
Totals 11 of 12 (91.7%)			12	11	66	9	7	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0



2024 STATISTICS

OFFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

Passing

#6 Joey Aguilar	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
Syracuse	16	28	0	57.1	247	3	73	0-0	166.6
ETSU	23	31	0	74.2	288	2	53	0-0	173.5
Georgia	24	36	2	66.7	371	4	72	1-10	178.8
Totals	63	95	2	66.3	906	9	73	1-10	173.5

#12 Jake Merklinger	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
ETSU	9	14	0	64.3	118	2	32	0-0	182.2
Totals	9	14	0	64.3	118	2	32	0-0	182.2

#15 George MacIntyre	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
ETSU	6	7	0	85.7	52	0	13	0-0	148.1
Totals	6	7	0	85.7	52	0	13	0-0	148.1

Rushing

Player	No-Yds/TD	SU	ETSU	UG
Star Thomas	33-221/3	12-92/0	12-69/3	9-60/0
DeSean Bishop	29-204/1	11-82/1	3-68/0	15-54/0
Peyton Lewis	21-76/2	8-38/1	8-19/1	5-19/0
Daune Morris	11-50/1	2-2/0	9-48/1	DNP
Justin Baker	11-37/0	-	11-37/0	-
Joey Aguilar	11-26/1	6-34/0	-	5--8/1
Mason Phillips	2-18/0	DNP	2-18/0	DNP
Jake Merklinger	2-17/0	DNP	2-17/0	DNP

Receiving

Player	No-Yds/TD	SU	ETSU	UG
Chris Brazzell II	20-364/5	5-62/0	9-125/2	6-177/3
Braylon Staley	18-231/2	4-95/1	5-39/0	9-97/1
Mike Matthews	13-199/1	2-29/0	6-111/1	5-59/0
Miles Kitselman	8-79/1	2-10/1	3-36/0	3-33/0
Radarious Jackson	4-40/0	-	3-35/0	1-5/0
Tommy Winton III	3-26/0	DNP	3-26/0	DNP
DeSean Bishop	2-44/0	2-44/0	-	-
Travis Smith Jr.	2-20/0	-	2-20/0	-
DaSaahn Brame	2-16/0	-	2-16/0	DNP
Joakim Dodson	1-27/0	DNP	1-27/0	DNP
Peyton Lewis	1-9/0	-	1-9/0	-
Jack Van Dorselaer	1-7/1	-	1-7/1	-
Star Thomas	1-7/1	1-7/1	-	-
Trey Weary	1-6/0	DNP	1-6/0	DNP
Ethan Davis	1-1/0	-	1-1/0	-

2025 STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

Total Tackles

Player	S-A	Total	SU	ETSU	UG
Arion Carter	9-18	27	3-6	2-2	4-10
Jalen McMurray	12-5	17	4-3	3-0	5-2
Andre Turrentine	10-5	15	4-1	-	6-4
Edrees Farooq	6-8	14	4-0	0-2	2-6
Edwin Spillman	4-10	14	3-3	0-2	1-5
Jeremiah Telander	6-7	13	3-1	1-1	2-5
Joshua Josephs	9-3	12	5-2	1-0	3-1
Colton Hood	6-5	11	3-1	-	3-4
Bryson Eason	2-9	11	1-0	1-3	0-6
Tyre West	3-7	10	-	2-1	1-6
Ty Redmond	6-3	9	3-1	1-1	2-1
Dominic Bailey	2-7	9	1-1	0-2	1-4
Tyree Weathersby	4-4	8	4-2	DNP	0-2
Boo Carter	4-4	8	1-0	1-2	2-2
Jordan Ross	2-5	7	1-0	1-1	0-4
Jaedon Harmon	3-3	6	2-2	1-1	-
Nathan Robinson	1-5	6	1-2	0-3	-
Caleb Herring	4-1	5	-	1-0	3-1
Kaleb Beasley	2-3	5	1-0	1-2	0-1
Ben Bolton	1-4	5	1-2	0-1	0-1
Sidney Walton	2-0	2	-	2-0	-
Jamal Wallace	2-0	2	2-0	-	-
Mariyon Dye	1-1	2	-	1-1	-
Mike Betha II	1-1	2	DNP	1-0	0-1
Charles House III	1-1	2	DNP	1-1	DNP
Rickey Gibson III	1-0	1	1-0	DNP	DNP
Tre Poteat	1-0	1	-	1-0	-
Jadon Perlotte	1-0	1	-	1-0	-
Marcus Goree Jr.	1-0	1	DNP	1-0	DNP
Carson Gentle	1-0	1	-	1-0	-
William Wright	0-1	1	-	-	0-1
Jordan Burns	0-1	1	0-1	-	-
Ethan Utley	0-1	1	-	-	0-1
Justin Baker	0-1	1	-	-	0-1
Dylan Lewis	0-1	1	DNP	-	0-1
Isaiah Campbell	0-1	1	DNP	0-1	DNP
Herb Gray	0-1	1	DNP	0-1	DNP

Tackles For Loss

Player	UA-A	Total	SU	ETSU	UG
Joshua Josephs	4-0	4.0	1.0-10	1.0-9	2.0-1
Caleb Herring	3-1	3.5	-	1.0-5	2.5-8
Arion Carter	2-0	2.0	1.0-10	1.0-1	-
Jordan Ross	1-2	2.0	1.0-5	-	1.0-3
Charles House III	1-1	1.5	DNP	1.5-7	DNP
Jalen McMurray	1-0	1.0	1.0-5	-	-
Edwin Spillman	1-0	1.0	1.0-7	-	-
Bryson Eason	1-0	1.0	-	1.0-5	-
Jeremiah Telander	1-0	1.0	1.0-1	-	-
Tyre West	1-0	1.0	-	1.0-8	-
Nathan Robinson	1-0	1.0	1.0-7	-	-
Dominic Bailey	0-2	1.0	-	-	1.0-3
Boo Carter	0-1	0.5	-	-	0.5-1
Herb Gray	0-1	0.5	DNP	0.5-0	DNP

Sacks

Player	UA-A	Total	SU	ETSU	UG
Joshua Josephs	3-0	3	1-10	1-9	1-0
Caleb Herring	1-1	1.5	-	-	1.5-5
Jalen McMurray	1-0	1	1-5	-	-
Arion Carter	1-0	1	1-10	-	-
Edwin Spillman	1-0	1	1-7	-	-
Tyre West	1-0	1	-	1-8	-
Nathan Robinson	1-0	1	1-7	-	-
Charles House III	1-0	1	DNP	1-6	DNP
Dominic Bailey	0-2	1	-	-	1-3
Jordan Ross	0-1	0.5	-	-	0.5-2

2025 STATISTICS

RETURNS GAME-BY-GAME

Punt Returns

Player	No-Yds	SU	ETSU	UG
Boo Carter	5-94	-	4-94	1-0
Daune Morris	3-24	-	3-24	DNP
Braylon Staley	1-2	1-2	-	-

Kick Returns

Player	No-Yds	SU	ETSU	UG
Peyton Lewis	2-42	1-24	1-18	-

Interceptions Returns

Player	No-Yds	SU	ETSU	UG
Ty Redmond	1-38	-	-	1-38
Jeremiah Telander	1-0	1-0	-	-

Fumble Returns

Player	No-Yds	SU	ETSU	UG
Colton Hood	1-0	1-0	-	-
Bryson Eason	1-0	-	-	1-0

2025 STATISTICS

TENNESSEE SCORING DRIVES

Opponent	Plays	Yards	TOP	Result	Qtr.	Time	Scoring Play
vs. Syracuse	9	59	2:14	FG	1	12:46	Gilbert 34-yd FG
vs. Syracuse	12	85	3:35	TD	1	6:02	Lewis 2-yd rush
vs. Syracuse	-	-	0:10	TD	1	0:56	Hood 22-yd FR
vs. Syracuse	2	75	0:26	TD	2	11:14	Staley 73-yd rec.
vs. Syracuse	6	75	1:29	TD	2	0:21	Bishop 1-yd rush
vs. Syracuse	7	17	2:27	TD	3	12:22	Thomas 7-yd rec.
vs. Syracuse	9	54	4:42	TD	4	3:57	Kitselman 2-yd rec.
ETSU	6	82	1:46	TD	1	13:08	Brazzell 21-yd rec.
ETSU	7	38	2:13	FG	1	9:28	Gilbert 29-yd FG
ETSU	4	27	1:17	TD	1	7:07	Thomas 2-yd rush
ETSU	3	5	1:09	TD	1	0:46	Lewis 1-yd rush
ETSU	9	58	3:09	TD	2	11:41	Thomas 2-yd rush
ETSU	6	26	1:57	FG	2	8:03	Gilbert 37-yd FG
ETSU	6	80	1:30	TD	2	4:08	Matthews 53-yd rec.
ETSU	8	75	1:33	TD	2	0:22	Thomas 7-yd rush
ETSU	10	75	3:07	TD	3	8:45	Brazzell 1-yd rec.
ETSU	9	67	3:22	TD	3	2:45	Van Dorselaer 7-yd rec.
ETSU	12	41	4:57	FG	4	10:43	Gilbert 53-yd FG
ETSU	11	75	4:51	TD	4	3:55	Morris 10-yd rush
Georgia	8	75	2:30	TD	1	12:30	Aguilar 4-yd rush
Georgia	2	75	0:29	TD	1	9:29	Brazzell 72-yd rec.
Georgia	12	83	5:04	TD	1	3:37	Brazzell 14-yd rec.
Georgia	5	75	1:38	TD	3	0:07	Brazzell 56-yd rec.
Georgia	4	75	1:16	TD	4	11:01	Staley 32-yd rec.
Georgia	4	4	1:41	FG	4	6:40	Gilbert 48-yd FG
Georgia	4	1	--	FG	OT	--	Gilbert 42-yd FG

TOTAL - 26 Scores (20 TDs | 6 FGs)

2025 STATISTICS

PARTICIPATION

##	Player	GP-GS	SU	ETSU	UG
0	William Wright	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
0	Ethan Davis	3/1	XXX	START	XXX
1	Rickey Gibson III	1/1	START	...	...
1	Travis Smith Jr.	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
2	Andre Turrentine	3/3	START	START	START
2	Peyton Lewis	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
3	Jermod McCoy	0/0	...	...	...
3	Jack Van Dorselaer	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
4	Mike Matthews	3/3	START	START	START
4	Ty Redmond	3/2	XXX	START	START
5	Daevin Hobbs	0/0	...	...	...
5	Radarious Jackson	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
6	Jalen McMurray	3/3	START	START	START
6	Joey Aguilar	3/3	START	START	START
7	Arion Carter	3/3	START	START	START
7	DaSaahn Brame	2/0	XXX	XXX	...
8	Colton Hood	3/3	START	START	START
9	Star Thomas	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
9	Mariyon Dye	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
10	Kaleb Beasley	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
11	Jordan Burns	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
12	Jake Merklinger	1/0	...	XXX	...
12	Jaedon Harmon	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
13	Edwin Spillman	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
13	Mason Phillips	1/0	...	XXX	...
14	Braylon Staley	3/3	START	START	START
15	Edrees Farooq	3/3	START	START	START
15	George MacIntyre	1/0	...	XXX	...
17	Chris Brazzell II	3/2	START	XXX	START
17	Ethan Utley	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
18	DeSean Bishop	3/3	START	START	START
18	Tyree Weathersby	2/0	XXX	...	XXX
19	Joshua Josephs	3/3	START	START	START
19	Daune Morris	2/0	XXX	XXX	...
20	Bryson Eason	3/3	START	START	START
20	Justin Baker	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
21	Tre Poteat	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
22	Jeremiah Telander	3/3	START	START	START
23	Boo Carter	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
24	Hunter Barnes	1/0	XXX	...	...
24	Dylan Lewis	2/0	...	XXX	XXX
25	Timothy Merritt	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
26	Carson Whitehead	0/0	...	...	...
26	Sidney Walton	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
27	Jadon Perlotte	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
28	Marcus Goree Jr.	1/0	...	XXX	...
29	Jack-Henry Jakobik	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
29	Jordan Ross	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
30	Jamal Wallace	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
31	Caleb Herring	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
33	Ben Bolton	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
34	Emmanuel Okoye	1/0	...	XXX	...
35	Carson Gentle	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
35	Ben Petermann	0/0	...	...	...
36	Nathan Roberts	1/0	...	XXX	...
37	Montrell Bandy	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
38	Andre Stewart	0/0	...	...	...
39	Malcolm Kinzer	0/0	...	...	...
39	Jayden Loftin	0/0	...	...	...
40	Colin Brazzell	1/0	...	XXX	...

##	Player	GP-GS	SU	ETSU	UG
40	Seamus Meagher	1/0	...	XXX	...
41	Steele Katina	1/0	...	XXX	...
42	Tyre West	3/2	XXX	START	START
42	Braylon Harmon	1/0	...	XXX	...
43	Jackson Mathews	1/0	...	XXX	...
44	Christian Gass	0/0	...	...	...
47	Isaiah Campbell	1/0	...	XXX	...
47	John Rosen	0/0	...	...	...
48	Bennett Brady	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
50	William Satterwhite	2/0	XXX	XXX	...
50	Ryan Scott	1/0	...	XXX	...
51	Jaxson Moi	1/1	START	...	...
51	Jeremias Heard	2/0	...	XXX	XXX
53	Lance Heard	3/3	START	START	START
55	Brenden Anes	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
55	Antoni Ogumoro	2/0	...	XXX	XXX
56	Sam Pendleton	3/3	START	START	START
56	Kellen Lindstrom	1/0	...	XXX	...
57	Grier Short	1/0	...	XXX	...
58	Herb Gray	1/0	...	XXX	...
58	Nic Moore	1/0	...	XXX	...
59	Charlie Powell III	1/0	...	XXX	...
65	Michael Kostantonov	0/0	...	...	...
68	Bennett Warren	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
69	Gus Hill	0/0	...	...	...
70	David Sanders Jr.	0/0	...	...	...
71	Max Anderson	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
72	Jesse Perry	3/3	START	START	START
73	Brian Grant	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
74	Shamurad Umarov	3/3	START	START	START
75	Wendell Moe Jr.	3/3	START	START	START
78	Gage Ginther	0/0	...	...	...
81	Amari Jefferson	1/0	...	XXX	...
83	Trey Weary	1/0	...	XXX	...
84	Tommy Winton III	1/0	...	XXX	...
86	Cole Harrison	1/0	...	XXX	...
87	Joshua Helsdon	0/0	...	...	...
87	Miles Kitselman	3/3	START	START	START
88	Deon Hardin	0/0	...	...	...
89	Mike Bethea II	2/0	...	XXX	XXX
89	Joakim Dodson	1/0	...	XXX	...
90	Dominic Bailey	3/3	START	START	START
90	Max Gilbert	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
93	Grady Dangerfield	0/0	...	...	...
94	Josh Turbyville	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
94	Nathan Robinson	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
96	Isaiah Inge	0/0	...	...	...
97	Josh Schell	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
98	Jackson Ross	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX
99	Charles House III	1/0	...	XXX	...

START indicates started

XXX indicates played

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TENNESSEE OVERTIME RECORDS

TENNESSEE OVERTIME GAMES & RESULTS (15-10)

Date	Opponent	OTs	1st Poss.	Game-Winning Score	Final Score
Sept. 19, 1998	Florida	1	Offense	Jeff Hall 41 field goal	W, 20-17
Sept. 30, 2000	at LSU	1	Defense*	Robert Royal 25 pass from Rohan Davey (John Corbello kick)	L, 31-38
Oct. 5, 2002	Arkansas	6	Offense	Jason Witten 25 pass from Casey Clausen+	W, 41-38
Sept. 27, 2003	South Carolina	1	Defense*	James Banks 4 pass from Casey Clausen+	W, 23-20
Oct. 25, 2003	at Alabama	5	Offense	Casey Clausen 1 run (James Banks pass from Casey Clausen)	W, 51-43
Sept. 26, 2005	at LSU	1	Defense*	Gerald Riggs, Jr. 1 run+	W, 30-27
Oct. 27, 2007	South Carolina	1	Offense	Daniel Lincoln 27 field goal	W, 27-24
Nov. 24, 2007	at Kentucky	4	Defense*	Quintin Hancock 40 pass from Erik Ainge (Austin Rogers pass from Ainge)	W, 52-50
Sept. 1, 2008	at UCLA	1	Defense*	Kai Forbath 42 field goal	L, 24-27
Nov. 28, 2009	at Kentucky	1	Defense*	Montario Hardesty 20 run+	W, 30-24
Sept. 25, 2010	UAB	2	Offense	Denarius Moore 25 pass from Matt Simms+	W, 32-29
Dec. 30, 2010	vs. North Carolina#	2	Defense*	Casey Barth 23 field goal+	L, 27-30
Nov. 19, 2011	Vanderbilt	1	Defense*	Eric Gordon 90 INT return+	W, 27-21
Nov. 10, 2012	Missouri	4	Defense*	Andrew Baggett 35 field goal+	L, 48-51
Oct. 5, 2013	Georgia	1	Offense	Marshall Morgan 42 field goal+	L, 31-34
Nov. 1, 2014	at South Carolina	1	Offense	Aaron Medley 32 field goal	W, 45-42
Sept. 12, 2015	Oklahoma	2	Offense	Sterling Shepard 18 pass from Baker Mayfield (Austin Seibert kick)	L, 24-31
Sept. 1, 2016	Appalachian State	1	Offense	Joshua Dobbs rush for 1 yard to the APP1, fumble forced by Kennan Gilchrist, fumble by Dobbs recovered by UT's Jalen Hurd in the end zone (Aaron Medley kick)	W, 20-13
Oct. 8, 2016	at Texas A&M	2	Offense	Trevor Knight 1 run (Daniel LaCamera kick)	L, 38-45
Sept. 4, 2017	vs. Georgia Tech^	2	Defense*	John Kelly 2 run (Aaron Medley kick)	W, 42-41
Sept. 7, 2019	BYU	2	Defense*	Ty'Son Williams 5 run+	L, 29-26
Dec. 30, 2021	vs. Purdue#	1	Offense	Mitchell Fineran 39 field goal+	L, 45-48
Sept. 10, 2022	at Pittsburgh	1	Offense	Cedric Tillman 28 pass from Hendon Hooker	W, 34-27
Oct. 12, 2024	Florida	1	Defense*	Dylan Sampson 1 run+	W, 23-17
Sept. 13, 2025	Georgia	1	Offense	Josh McCray 1 run+	L, 44-41

*Won coin toss +Game-ending play #Bowl game ^Neutral site regular season game

OVERTIME TEAM RECORDS

Record in OT: 15-10

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: 42, Max Gilbert vs. Georgia, Sept. 13, 2025

PLAYER NOTES | LISTED ALPHABETICALLY



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award Watch List
- Manning Award QB of the Week (vs. Syracuse, 9/2)
- 2024 All-Sun Belt Honorable Mention
- 2023 Cure Bowl MVP
- 2023 Sun Belt Newcomer of the Year
- 2023 All-Sun Belt Second Team

CAREER

- Veteran graduate transfer quarterback who was named Tennessee's starter on Aug. 17 after winning a QB battle between redshirt freshman Jake Merklinger and true freshman George MacIntyre
- In his fifth season of college football after transferring from UCLA and a record-breaking two years at Appalachian State
- Spent the spring at UCLA before enrolling at Tennessee in June 2025, arrived in Knoxville in May
- Originally began his career at City College of San Francisco and then transferred to Diablo Valley Community College in Pleasant Hill, California
- Shattered six single-season records at App State
- In two years at App State, produced 22 TD passes to either tie the game or give his team the lead
- Ranks fifth in career touchdown passes (56) and fifth in passing yards (6,760) at App State
- Has compiled 8,144 yards of total offense at the FBS level
- In 28 FBS games, completed 574-of-945 passes (60.7 percent) for 7,666 yards and 65 touchdowns with 26 interceptions
- Has rushed for 478 yards on 151 attempts with six rushing scores
- Thrown for over 200 yards in all 27 starts of his career with seven 300-yard games and one 400-yard game
- Is the FBS active career leader in total offense per game (290.9, minimum 2,500 yards) and passing yards per game (273.8, minimum 5,000 yards)
- Played in 28 FBS games with 27 starts (15-12 record)

2025

- Showcased his playmaking ability in SEC debut vs. #6 Georgia (9/13), completing 24 of 36 passes for 371 yards and tying a career high with four touchdowns while adding another score on the ground
- His 371 passing yards tied Peyton Manning (10/12/96) for the most ever by a UT player in a game against Georgia
- Three of his four passing TDs against the Bulldogs were 32 yards or longer, including 56-yard and 72-yard connections with Chris Brazzell II
- Posted the third-most consecutive completions in a game by a Tennessee quarterback with his 14-of-14 start against the Bulldogs. Per ESPN Insights, Aguilar is the first SEC quarterback to go 14-of-14 (or better) in any quarter over the last 20 seasons (2006-25)
- Was extremely efficient in just one half of work in his Neyland Stadium debut vs. ETSU (9/6), leading UT to 48 first-half points while completing 23 of 31 pass attempts for 288 yards and two touchdowns, including a 53-yarder to Mike Matthews in the second quarter
- Impressed in his Tennessee debut, leading the Vols to 493 yards of total offense in a 45-26 victory over Syracuse (8/30) in the Aflac Kickoff Game
- Was 16-28 for 247 yards and three touchdowns through the air against the Orange, including a 73-yard deep ball for a score to Braylon Staley early in the second quarter, marking the third longest completion of his career and the longest completion by an SEC player in Week 1
- Added 34 yards on six carries to finish with 281 yards of total offense for the game

2024

- An All-Sun Belt honorable mention selection in his second straight year as the starting quarterback
- Started all 11 games for the Mountaineers
- Finished with 3,003 passing yards and 23 touchdowns on 390 attempts, with an average of 273.0 passing yards per game
- Rushed for 207 yards on 59 attempts with two scores
- Had a career-high 424 yards on 32 completions against ECU (9/14), while also throwing two touchdown passes. Finished that contest against the Pirates with 452 yards of total offense
- Tied his career high of four touchdown passes in a game against Old Dominion and was 13-of-24 for 212 yards through the air (11/2)
- Notched 300-yard total offense games against ETSU (345 on 8/31), ECU (452 on 9/14), Marshall (348 on 10/5), Georgia State (307 on 10/26) and Georgia Southern (304 on 11/30)
- Logged a career-long 83-yard touchdown pass against ETSU (8/31)

NOTABLE

- Earned his undergraduate degree in communication studies from App State in May 2025
- Did not play football for two years following his high school career after redshirting at City College of San Francisco in 2019 and having his 2020 season canceled because of COVID
- During COVID, nearly quit football to begin training to become a firefighter
- Did not start playing quarterback until his freshman year of high school
- In final two prep seasons at Freedom High School, threw for 5,575 yards with 59 touchdowns and 14 interceptions
- At age 24, is one of the oldest players on the team ... born on June 16, 2001
- Parents are Jose and Lydia Aguilar
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CAREER FBS HIGHS

Completions	32 at East Carolina, 9/14/24*
Attempts	47 at East Carolina, 9/14/24*
Comp. Pct (Min. 10 Att.)	84.6 vs. Gardner-Webb, 9/2/23*
Passing Yards	424 at East Carolina, 9/14/24*
Passing Touchdowns	4 (5x), last vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Long Pass	83 vs. ETSU, 8/31/24*
Interceptions	4 at Louisiana, 10/12/24*
Rushing Attempts	10 (3x), last at Marshall, 10/5/24*
Rushing Yards	61 vs. Old Dominion, 11/2/24*
Rushing Touchdowns	2 vs. ETSU, 8/31/24*
Long Rush	49 at Coastal Carolina, 11/7/24*

* at App State

CAREER FBS STATS

Passing	GP/GS	Comp	Att	Pct	TD	Int	Yds	Per/G	Long	High Yd
2023*	14/14	293	460	63.7	33	10	3757	268.4	77-GSU	391-USM
2024*	11/11	218	390	55.9	23	14	3003	273.0	83-ETSU	424-ECU
2025	3/3	63	95	66.3	9	2	906	302.0	73-SU	371-UGA
at APP	25/24	511	850	60.1	56	24	6760	270.4	83-ETSU	424-ECU
at UT	3/3	63	95	66.3	9	2	906	302.0	73-SU	371-UGA
Career	28/27	574	945	60.7	65	26	7666	273.8	83-ETSU	424-ECU

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023*	14/14	81	249	3.1	17.8	3	25-ULM	49-ULM
2024*	11/11	59	207	3.5	18.8	2	49-CCU	61-ODU
2025	3/3	11	26	2.4	8.7	1	25-SU	34-SU
at APP	25/24	140	456	3.3	18.2	5	49-CCU	61-ODU
at UT	3/3	11	26	2.4	8.7	1	25-SU	34-SU
Career	28/27	151	482	3.2	17.2	6	49-CCU	61-ODU

* at App State

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
*vs. Syracuse	16	28	3	0	57.1	247	73	6	34	0	25
*ETSU	23	31	2	0	74.2	288	53	0	0	0	-
*Georgia	24	36	4	2	66.7	371	72	5	-8	1	4

2024 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
*ETSU	22	36	2	0	61.1	326	83	5	19	2	7
*at Clemson	18	41	1	0	43.9	214	29	2	-3	0	4
*at ECU	32	47	2	2	68.1	424	49	8	28	0	10
*South Ala.	21	40	1	1	52.5	266	49	2	-11	0	2

*at Marshall	26	44	2	2	59.1	293	27	10	55	0	28
*at Louisiana	20	42	3	4	47.6	236	26	5	2	0	10
*Georgia St.	18	27	3	0	66.7	299	50	2	8	0	6
*ODU	13	24	4	1	54.2	212	46	7	61	0	19
*at Coastal	17	31	1	2	54.8	226	39	10	30	0	49
*JMU	12	23	2	0	52.2	217	64	5	4	0	19
*at Ga. Southern	19	35	2	2	54.3	290	40	3	14	0	9

2023 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
Gardner-Webb	11	13	4	0	84.6	174	43	3	8	0	12
*at UNC	22	43	2	1	51.2	275	34	6	42	0	13
*ECU	17	29	3	1	58.6	241	35	6	13	1	8
*at Wyoming	22	40	0	1	55.0	200	23	6	20	0	9
*at ULM	27	39	3	2	69.2	335	52	7	49	0	25
*Coastal	18	31	2	0	58.1	305	69	3	6	0	3
*at ODU	22	31	2	0	71.0	252	28	8	18	1	16
*So. Miss	23	33	4	1	69.7	391	57	9	43	0	24
*Marshall	20	27	3	0	74.1	229	29	10	44	0	15
*at Georgia St.	14	21	3	1	66.7	255	77	5	20	0	10
*at JMU	28	46	3	1	60.9	318	39	3	0	0	4
*Ga. Southern	23	36	4	1	63.9	296	41	4	11	0	14
*at Troy	28	39	0	0	71.8	275	40	6	-39	0	6
*vs. Miami (OH)	18	32	0	1	56.3	211	52	5	14	1	16

* - denotes started



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CAREER

- Experienced pass rusher who is in his sixth and final year with the program
- One of the leaders of the defensive line room and was tabbed as the MVP of this year's fall camp by DL coach Rodney Garner
- Sees most time at strongside defensive end but has showcased his versatility by sliding in to play defensive tackle at times, as well
- Has racked up 59 total tackles, six TFLs, 3.5 sacks, five QB hurries, three fumble recoveries and one forced fumble in his career with the Vols
- Played in 45 career games with 15 starts

2025

- Had one of the most productive games of his career in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13), tallying a career-high five tackles to go along with a sack
- Started at DT and made a pair of tackles in blowout win over ETSU (9/6)
- Started at DE and finished with two tackles in season-opening victory over Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Finished the year with career highs in tackles (25), TFLs (5.0), sacks (2.0), QB hurries (4), forced fumbles (1) and fumble recoveries (2)
- Had a TFL and a quarterback hurry in CFP First Round game at #6 Ohio State (12/21)
- Recovered a second-quarter fumble that led to a UT touchdown in win over UTEP (11/23)
- 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)
- 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 finished with three tackles

NOTABLE

- Graduated with his bachelor's degree in communication studies in Dec. 2024
- 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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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	5 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Tackles for Loss	1.5 vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
Sacks	1.0 (3x), last vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
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 (3x), last vs. UTEP, 11/23/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	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	13/10	10	15	25	2-15	3.5-17	1	2	4	0	4-2x
2025	3/3	2	7	9	1-3	1-3	0	0	0	0	5-UGA
Career	45/15	22	37	59	3.5-22	6-27	1	3	5	1	5-UGA

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	1-1-2
*ETSU	0-2-2
*Georgia	1-4-5, 1 tfl, 1 s

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
*UTEP	0-0-0, 1 fr
*at Vanderbilt	0-1-1
*at Ohio State	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 qbh

2023 Opp.	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. Iowa	3-0-3, 1 fr

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	0-0-0
at Pitt	0-0-0, 1 qbh
Akron	0-1-1
Florida	1-0-1
at LSU	0-3-3
Alabama	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
UT Martin	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-0-0
at Georgia	2-1-3
Missouri	0-1-1
at South Carolina	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
vs. Clemson	0-0-0

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Bowling Green	DNP
Pitt	DNP
Tennessee Tech	0-1-1, 1 pd
at Florida	DNP
at Missouri	DNP
South Carolina	DNP
Ole Miss	DNP
at Alabama	DNP

at Kentucky	DNP
Georgia	0-0-0
South Alabama	DNP
Vanderbilt	DNP
vs. Purdue	DNP

2020 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Florida	0-0-0

* - denotes started



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CAREER

- Versatile, in-state defensive back who can play multiple positions in the secondary
- Transformed his body during the offseason following his freshman year and will be in the mix for extensive playing time in 2025
- Played extensively on special teams as a true freshman in 2024, seeing action in all 13 games and making four tackles
- Played in 16 career games

2025

- Had one tackle in 20 defensive snaps in SEC opener against #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Made a career-high three tackles in dominant win over ETSU (9/6)
- Saw extensive action at safety in UT's season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30), finishing with one tackle in 42 defensive snaps

2024

- Appeared in all 13 games, primarily as a special teams contributor, and finished with four tackles and one pass breakup
- Logged one tackle in regular season finale at Vanderbilt (11/30)
- Posted a season-high two tackles in win over Kentucky (11/2)
- Made his first career tackle against Kent State, a solo stop, while playing a season-high 41 snaps
- Saw 27 defensive snaps of action in his collegiate debut against Chattanooga and registered one pass breakup (8/31)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Was rated as the No. 1 prep player in the state of Tennessee by On3 in the 2024 signing class
- Was coached by former NFL Pro Bowlers Trent Dilfer and Kevin Mawae during his prep career at Lipscomb Academy in Nashville
- Was a multi-sport standout in high school who also starred on the hardwood, earning all-region honors in basketball after averaging more than 19 points per game as a junior
- Named Defensive Player of the Year by The Tennessean in 2022 after a stellar junior campaign where he totaled 30 tackles, 27 pass breakups, nine interceptions and six defensive touchdowns
- Led the Mustangs to a 13-0 record and second consecutive state title his junior season and was selected as Div. II-AA Mr. Football Award Finalist and MaxPreps All-American
- Favorite movie is the Sandlot
- Likes to play golf in his free time
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	3 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Passes Defended	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2024	13/0	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	2-UK
2025	3/0	2	3	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3-ETSU
Career	16/0	4	5	9	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	3-ETSU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	1-0-1
ETSU	1-2-3
Georgia	0-1-1

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-0-0, 1 pd
vs. NC State	0-0-0
Kent State	1-0-1
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0
Florida	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0
Kentucky	1-1-2
Mississippi State	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0
UTEP	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-1-1
at Ohio State	0-0-0



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Doak Walker Award Watch List
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Explosive, playmaking running back who produced one of the most prolific careers in Tennessee high school history for nearby Karns High School
- Stepping into a much larger role for the Vols this season as the team's leading returning rusher
- A valuable part of UT's running back rotation last 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 three years of eligibility remaining
- Has 103 carries for 659 rushing yards (6.4 avg) and four rushing touchdowns in his career
- Played in 13 career games with three starts

2025

- Started and carried the ball 15 times for 54 yards in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Made the most of limited carries in blowout victory over ETSU (9/6), rushing for 68 yards on just three attempts for an average of 22.7 yards per rush, including a 50-yard run on the game's first play from scrimmage
- Made his first-career start in season-opening victory vs. Syracuse (8/30) and showcased his well-rounded game with 126 yards from scrimmage
- Had 11 carries for 82 yards (7.5 avg) and a touchdown while also hauling in a career-best two receptions for 44 yards against the Orange

2024

- Was the Vols' second-leading rusher on the year with 74 carries for 455 yards and three touchdowns, averaging 6.1 yards per attempt, which was third in the SEC
- Totted the ball seven times for 22 yards in CFP First Round contest at #6 Ohio State (12/21)
- After missing three straight games due to injury, returned to action in regular-season finale at Vanderbilt (11/30) and was extremely productive in the win, finishing with 13 carries for 61 yards
- 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 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
- 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 first-career touchdown

NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- Signed with Tennessee as a preferred walk-on in Dec. 2022 and was put on scholarship in spring 2025
- 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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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	2 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Receiving Yards	44 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Long Reception	23 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023								DNP - Redshirted
2024	10/0	74	455	6.1	45.5	3	53-KSU	120-KSU
2025	3/3	29	204	7.0	68.0	1	50-ETSU	82-SU
Career	13/3	103	659	6.4	50.7	4	53-KSU	120-KSU

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023								DNP - Redshirted
2024	10/0	1	10	10.0	1.0	0	10-UTC	10-UTC
2025	3/3	2	44	22.0	14.7	0	23-SU	44-SU
Career	13/3	3	54	18.0	4.2	0	23-SU	44-SU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*vs. Syracuse	11-82-1, 47	2-44-0, 23
*ETSU	3-68-0, 50	0-0-0
*Georgia	15-54-0, 8	0-0-0

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	
UTEP	DNP - Injury	
at Vanderbilt	13-61-0, 11	0-0-0
at Ohio State	7-22-0, 8	0-0-0

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Hard-nosed walk-on linebacker from West Tennessee who is in his fourth season with the program
- Has been a major contributor on special teams throughout his time at UT

- After an impressive preseason camp, has earned a role in the linebacker rotation this season
- A two-time Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient
- Played in 30 career games

2025

- Played nine defensive snaps and finished with one tackle in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Saw the most extensive playing time of his career in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30), tying a career-high with three tackles while playing 26 defensive snaps at linebacker

2024

- Saw action in 10 games as a reserve linebacker and special teams contributor
- Totaled five tackles on the year
- Tied a season-high with two tackles against #8 Ohio State in the CFP First Round (12/21)
- Recorded a tackle at Vanderbilt in the regular-season finale (11/30)
- Posted two tackles against UTEP (11/23)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in management
- A two-way player in high school who played ball at Lausanne Collegiate School in Memphis
- His father played baseball for Tennessee Wesleyan and grandfather played football for Middle Tennessee
- Enjoys the outdoors, fishing, being on the lake, tubing, and wake boarding
- Favorite movie is Interstellar
- Lived in Peru
- Received 10 Division 1 offers coming out of high school but chose to walk on at Tennessee
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles 3 (2x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2022	4/0	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-VU
2023	13/0	1	3	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3-UTSA
2024	10/0	2	3	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-OSU
2025	3/0	1	4	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3-SU
Career	30/0	4	11	15	0.5-3	0.5-3	0	0	0	0	3-2x

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	1-2-3
ETSU	0-1-1
Georgia	0-1-1

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	DNP
vs. NC State	0-0-0
Kent State	DNP
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0
Florida	DNP
Alabama	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0
UTEP	1-1-2
at Vanderbilt	1-0-1
at Ohio State	0-2-2

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	1-2-3
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	0-0-0
Georgia	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-1-1
vs. Iowa	0-0-0

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Akron	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-1-1
vs. Clemson	0-0-0



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Fourth-year, in-state long snapper from West Tennessee
- Stepped into the role of UT's starting long snapper in 2025, taking over for Matthew Salansky, who was in the role from 2020-24
- Played in 10 career games and executed every snap he's made

2025

- Had 11 clean snaps (5 PAT, 3 FG, 3 punts) vs. #6 Georgia (9/13) and made a highlight-reel effort play to keep a Jackson Ross punt from bouncing into the end zone in the third quarter to pin the Bulldogs inside their own 5-yard line
- Had 13 clean snaps (9 PAT, 3 FG, 1 punt) in 72-17 win vs. ETSU (9/6)
- Executed all 11 snaps (6 PAT, 1 FG, 4 punt) cleanly in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Saw action in four games and handled long snapping duties for two punts, four field goals and nine PATs during his third season on Rocky Top
- Played in all four regular season non-conference wins over Chattanooga (8/31), NC State (9/7), Kent State (9/14) and UTEP (11/23)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Learned how to snap from Pro Bowler and Tennessee Titan long snapper Morgan Cox, who taught him and his brother ... Cox attended same high school (Evangelical Christian in Memphis)
- Has been working with Morgan Cox for over nine years now
- Member of the 2024-25 VOLEaders Academy
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CAREER STATS

Games Played: 2025: 3; 2024: 4; 2023: 3; 2022: 0
Career: 10



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CAREER HONORS

- East-West Shrine Bowl Breakout Offensive Player of the Week (vs. Georgia, 9/15/25)
- Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award Player of the Week Honorable Mention (vs. Georgia, 9/16/25)
- Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award Player of the Week Honorable Mention (vs. ETSU, 9/9/25)
- 2025 Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award Watch List
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Coaches)
- 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

- UT's leading returning wideout from last season
- Has two seasons of remaining eligibility, including the 2025 campaign
- Played in 15 games at Tulane, recording 45 receptions for 722 yards and five touchdowns, while averaging 16.0 yards per catch
- Owns 11 30+ yard catches and four 100-yard receiving games in his career
- Played in 31 career games (15 at Tulane, 16 at UT) with 19 starts (8 at Tulane, 11 at UT)

2025

- Tied for the national lead with five receiving touchdowns and ranks among the FBS leaders in receiving yards (2nd - 364) and receiving yards per game (3rd - 121.3)
- Posted the best game of his college career in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13), hauling in six receptions and setting career highs with 177 receiving yards and three touchdowns, including scoring grabs of 72 and 56 yards
- Had four catches for 106 yards and two touchdowns in the first quarter alone against the Bulldogs
- Had a breakout performance in blowout win vs. ETSU (9/6), setting a career high with nine receptions for 125 receiving yards and two touchdown catches
- Started and led UT in catches with five for 62 yards in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Played in all 13 games and made nine starts, finishing third on the team with 29 receptions and fourth on the team with 333 receiving yards to go along with two TD catches
- Started at WR and tied a season-high with five receptions for 54 yards in win at Vanderbilt (11/30)
- Hauled in two receptions for 27 yards, including the game-winning diving touchdown grab on a 16-yard 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 quarter 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	9 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Receiving Yards	177 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Receiving Touchdowns	3 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Long Reception	72 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25

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	13/9	29	333	11.5	25.6	2	53-KSU	63-KSU
2025	3/2	20	364	18.2	121.3	5	72-UGA	177-UGA
at TU	15/8	45	722	16.0	48.1	5	47-UTSA	103-2x
at UT	16/11	49	697	14.2	43.6	7	72-UGA	177-UGA
Career	31/19	94	1419	15.1	45.8	12	72-UGA	177-UGA

* at Tulane

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*vs. Syracuse	5-62-0, 18
ETSU	9-125-2, 32
*Georgia	6-177-3, 72

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
UTEP	0-0-0
*at Vanderbilt	5-54-0, 21
at Ohio State	1-8-0, 8

2023 Opp.	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



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Athletic and physical linebacker who redshirted during his true freshman season
- Expected to be a contributor this fall after a solid spring and preseason camp
- Named to the 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- Played in four career games

2025

- Saw extensive action on special teams and finished with one tackle in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Redshirted as a true freshman after seeing action in one game
- Finished the year with one tackle and half a sack
- Made his collegiate debut in win over UTEP (11/23), finishing with one tackle and half a sack

NOTABLE

- Majoring in university exploratory
- Has six siblings - one brother and five sisters
- Was a two-way standout at Pace Academy in Atlanta
- Rated a four-star prospect by ESPN and Rivals
- Had offers from 25 Division I schools, including nine SEC programs
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	1 (2x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Tackles for Loss	0.5 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Sacks	0.5 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2024	1/0	0	1	1	0.5-3	0.5-3	0	0	0	0	1-UTEP
2025	3/0	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-SU
Career	4/0	0	2	2	0.5-3	0.5-3	0	0	0	0	1-2x

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	0-1-1
ETSU	0-0-0

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
UTEP	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Butkus Award Preseason Watch List
- 2025 Bednarik Award Preseason Watch List
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Second Team (Athlon)
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Coaches, Media)
- 2025 SEC Football Leadership Council
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Talented, physical in-state linebacker who had a breakout sophomore season and is one of the team's defensive leaders in 2025
- Tennessee's leading tackler in 2024 with 68 total tackles to go along with 6.5 TFLs and six PBUs
- Totaled 112 tackles, 9.5 TFLs, one sack, eight PBUs, one forced fumble and one interception in his career
- Voted to the 2025 SEC Football Leadership Council by his peers and is a two-time SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient and member of the 2024-25 VOLeaders Academy
- Played in 24 career games and made 16 starts

2025

- Leads the SEC with 27 tackles entering Week 4
- Finished with a career high with 14 total tackles and added a PBU in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Tied for the team lead with four tackles and also had one TFL and forced fumble in blowout victory over ETSU (9/6)
- Started and led the Vols with nine tackles in season-opening victory vs. Syracuse (8/30), recording his first-career sack in the game, as well

2024

- Started all 13 games at WLB and led the team with 68 total tackles to go along with 6.5 TFLs, six PBUs, one interception and three QB hurries
- Posted three tackles and a PBU at #6 Ohio State in CFP First Round game (12/21)
- Led the team with seven tackles, including half a TFL, and added a pass breakup in road win at Vanderbilt (11/30) in regular-season finale
- 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 public health
- Was one of UT's three player representatives at 2025 SEC Media Days in Atlanta
- Two-way standout at Smyrna High School just outside of Nashville where he also played running back and racked up 3,302 all-purpose yards in 30 games played at the varsity level
- A consensus four-star prospect rated as high as No. 2 in the state of Tennessee by On3 and Rivals
- Tabbed a top-10 linebacker in the country by Rivals (No. 8) and ESPN (No. 5)
- Participated in the 2023 All-American Bowl at the Alamodome in San Antonio in January 2023
- Also lettered in basketball and track & field in high school, qualifying for the state meet in the 300-meter hurdles
- Held offers from over 40 other Division I programs, including 10 SEC schools
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	14 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Tackles for Loss	1.5 (3x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Sacks	1.0 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
QB Hurries	1 (3x), last vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Forced Fumbles	1 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Passes Defended	1 (9x), last vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Interceptions	1 vs. Florida, 10/12/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2023	8/0	8	9	17	0-0	1-4	0	0	1	0	4-UGA
2024	13/13	29	39	68	0-0	6.5-9	0	0	7	1	10-UK
2025	3/3	9	18	27	1-10	2-11	1	0	1	0	14-UGA
Career	24/16	46	66	112	1-10	9.5-24	1	0	9	1	14-UGA

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	3-6-9, 1 tfl, 1 s
*ETSU	2-2-4, 1 tfl, 1 ff
*Georgia	4-10-14, 1 pd

2024 Opp.	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
*UTEP	3-1-4
*at Vanderbilt	3-4-7, 0.5 tfl, 1 pd
*at Ohio State	2-1-3, 1 pd

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	2-2-4
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

* - denotes started



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CAREER

- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Coaches, Media)
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)
- 2024 SEC All-Freshman Team
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- SEC Freshman of the Week (vs. Florida, 10/14/24)
- 2024 On3 True Freshman Preseason All-American

CAREER

- Dynamic athlete who quickly made an impact on defense and special teams as a true freshman
- Earned the starting STAR position and shined while becoming a dangerous weapon as a punt returner as a true freshman in 2024
- Saw action as a slot receiver as well during 2025 spring practices
- An early enrollee in January 2024 who participated in Citrus Bowl practices and spring practice
- Has compiled 46 tackles, 3.5 tackles for loss, one sack and one interception on defense in his career
- Dynamic punt returner who averages 17.2 yards per return in his career
- Played in 16 career games and made five starts

2025

- Plated 28 defensive snaps and made four tackles, including half a TFL, in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Had three tackles and a QB hurry in blowout win vs. ETSU (9/6) but impacted the game most as a punt returner with four returns for 94 yards, including a career-long 40 yard return, setting the Vols up with multiple short fields to set up scoring drives
- Played 27 defensive snaps and made one tackle in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Played in all 13 games and started the final five contests of the regular season at the STAR position in UT's secondary
- Was the first UT freshman to receive SEC All-Freshman honors as a return specialist since Shawn Summers in 1992 after leading the SEC in punt return average at 16.5 (12 for 198)
- Finished the year sixth on the team in tackles with 38, including 28 solo, while adding three TFLs, one sack, one interception and three QB hurries
- Led the team with six tackles, including half a TFL, and returned three punts for 61 yards, including a career-long 38-yard return to set up a Vols' touchdown in the third quarter in win over UTEP (11/23). Also had an 18-yard return in the first quarter that led to a touchdown
- 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 one of his most productive games of the year, 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)
- 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 quarter

23

- 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 communication studies
- Models his game after Tyrann Mathieu
- A consensus four-star prospect and top-300 player nationally according to all major recruiting services, ranking as high as No. 39 by Rivals
- 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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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	94 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Long Punt Return	40 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2024	13/5	28	10	38	1-10	3-13	0	0	1	1	7-UF
2025	3/0	4	4	8	0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	4-UGA
Career	16/5	32	14	46	1-10	3.5-14	0	0	1	1	7-UF

Punt Returns	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2024	12	198	16.5	15.2	0	38-UTEP	61-UTEP
2025	5	94	18.8	31.3	0	40-ETSU	94-ETSU
Career	17	292	17.2	18.3	0	40-ETSU	94-ETSU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other	PR-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Syracuse	1-0-1	0-0-0
ETSU	1-2-3, 1 qbh	4-94-0, 40
Georgia	2-2-4, 0.5 tfl	1-0-0, 0

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other	PR-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	2-0-2, 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
*UTEP	5-1-6, 0.5 tfl	3-61-0, 38
*at Vanderbilt	1-0-1	0-0-0
at Ohio State	1-2-3	0-0-0

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 SEC All-Freshman Team
- 2023 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Athletic tight end with big-play potential who is part of the Vols' stellar rotation at tight end
- Earned SEC All-Freshman Team honors after seeing an increased role in 2024 and will look to play an even larger part in the offense in 2025 as one of just two returning tight ends with game experience
- Member of the 2024-25 VOLeaders Academy
- Enrolled at UT in Jan. 2023 and showed his big-play potential and physicality during the spring and fall
- Played in 18 career games with one start

2025

- Made his first-career start in blowout win over ETSU (9/6), finishing with one catch
- Showcased his improved blocking ability and physicality while playing 39 snaps at tight end in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Posted one reception for six yards in road win at Vanderbilt (11/30) in regular-season finale
- Played a season high 26 snaps and finished with two catches for 19 yards and a TD in win over UTEP (11/23)
- 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 Iamaleava 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 communication studies with a minor in culinary arts
- Was one of the top tight end prospects in the nation coming out of Collins Hill HS in Georgia
- A four-star tight end prospect who was considered the No. 5 player at his position by Rivals, No. 6 by On3 and No. 7 by 247Sports
- 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 (5x), last vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Receiving Yards	33 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
Receiving Touchdowns	1 (2x), last vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
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	12/0	13	100	7.7	8.3	2	18-UTEP	20-UTC
2025	3/1	1	1	1.0	0.3	0	1-ETSU	1-ETSU
Career	18/1	16	134	8.4	7.4	2	19-CONN	33-CONN

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Syracuse	0-0-0
*ETSU	1-1-0, 1
Georgia	0-0-0

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
UTEP	2-19-1, 18
at Vanderbilt	1-6-0, 6
at Ohio State	0-0-0

2023 Opp.	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

* - denotes started

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**20****CAREER HONORS**

- 2025 Allstate/AFCA Good Works Team Nominee
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Athlon)

CAREER

- A strong, disruptive in-state interior defensive lineman who has been a consistent force for UT on the interior defensive line
- Elected to return for his sixth and final season in 2025, in what will be his third straight year as a starter
- Consistently improved every season, totaling 85 tackles, including 38 solo, and 18.5 tackles for loss, 4.5 sacks, two pass breakups, 12 quarterback hurries and two fumble recoveries
- Played in 51 career games with 24 starts

2025

- Set a career high with six tackles and recovered a fumble on a Joshua Josephs strip sack that set up a UT field goal midway through the fourth quarter of SEC opener vs. Georgia (9/13)
- Tied for the team lead with four tackles to go along with a TFL in dominant win over ETSU (9/6)
- Started at DT and finished with one tackle in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- A leader at DT who started all 13 games for a defense that ranked among the best in the nation
- Finished the year with 25 total tackles and ranked third on the squad in tackles for loss with seven, including 1.5 sacks to go along with one PBU and five QB hurries
- Made a pair of tackles, including half a sack, in road win at Vanderbilt (11/30) in regular-season finale
- Posted a TFL and a QB hurry in Senior Day win over UTEP (11/23)
- 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)
- 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
- Tied a career high with four tackles, including one TFL in victory over #24 NC State (9/7)

NOTABLE

- Graduated with his bachelor's degree in communication studies in Dec. 2024
- Was one of UT's three player representatives at 2025 SEC Media Days in Atlanta
- One of the Vols' leaders in community service
- Came to Tennessee has a linebacker before bulking up and transitioning to defensive line
- Memphis native who was rated as a four-star prospect and the No. 16 ranked inside linebacker in the county by the 247 composite rankings
- Made his first-career start in the 2022 Capital One Orange Bowl victory over No. 7 Clemson
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	6 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
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
Passes Defended	1 (2x), last vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Fumble Recoveries	1 (2x), last vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Blocked Kicks	1 (FG) at Florida, 9/16/23

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	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	13/13	16	8	24	1.5-9	7-27	0	0	5	1	4-NCST
2025	3/3	2	9	11	0-0	1-5	0	1	0	0	6-UGA
Career	51/24	38	47	85	4.5-22	18.5-64	0	2	12	2	6-UGA

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	1-0-1
*ETSU	1-3-4, 1 tfl
*Georgia	0-6-6, 1 fr

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
*UTEP	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 qbh
*at Vanderbilt	1-1-2, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s
*at Ohio State	0-0-0

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	3-1-4, 1.5 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh, 1 blk (FG)
*UTSA	0-3-3, 0.5 tfl
*South Carolina	2-2-4
*Texas A&M	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 qbh
*at Alabama	1-2-3, 2 qbh
*at Kentucky	1-3-4, 1 tfl
*UConn	0-1-1, 1 pd
*at Missouri	0-1-1
Georgia	0-1-1
Vanderbilt	0-1-1
vs. Iowa	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	0-2-2
at Pitt	0-1-1
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 Opp.	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

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Instinctive, hard-hitting safety that saw action in all 13 games as a true freshman in 2024
- Earned a starting role at safety this season
- Played extensively on multiple special teams units as a freshman on top of seeing time as a reserve safety
- Early enrollee in January 2023 who took part in UT's Citrus Bowl practices and 2024 spring practice
- Totaled 27 tackles (14 solo), one TFL and two pass breakups in his career
- Played in 16 career games with three starts

2025

- Posted a career-high eight tackles in SEC opener against #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Made his first-career start and finished with four solo tackles as well as two pass breakups in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Played in all 13 games as a special teams contributor and reserve defensive back
- Logged 13 tackles, including eight solo and one tackle for loss
- Collected two tackles against UTEP (11/23)
- Played a season-high 27 snaps against Kent State (9/14) and finished with six total tackles
- Recorded a tackle for loss while playing safety late in the game vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made his collegiate debut in the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and recorded three solo tackles

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Cousin, Jalil Farooq, is a wide receiver at Maryland
- Participated in the 2024 Under Armour All-America Game on Jan. 3 in Orlando
- Held offers from over 30 other Division I programs
- Favorite food is chicken and shrimp alfredo
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	8 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Tackles for Loss	1 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
Passes Defended	2 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2024	13/0	8	5	13	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	6-KSU
2025	3/3	6	8	14	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0	8-UGA
Career	16/3	14	13	27	0-0	1-1	0	0	2	0	8-UGA

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	4-0-4, 2 pd
*ETSU	0-2-2
*Georgia	2-6-8

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	3-0-3
vs. NC State	1-0-1, 1tfl
Kent State	2-4-6
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0
Florida	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0
Kentucky	1-1-2
Mississippi State	0-1-1
at Georgia	0-0-0
UTEP	2-0-2
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0
at Ohio State	0-0-0

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Athlon)
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Lockdown cornerback who has emerged as one of the most steady and consistent defenders in the SEC
- Teams with Jermod McCoy to form one of the elite cornerback duos in the nation
- In his second straight year as a starter and his third with the program
- Made an immediate impact as a true freshman in 2023 before solidifying a starting role in 2024
- Arrived at Tennessee in Dec. 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices before going through spring practice 2023
- A two-time SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient and member of the team's leadership council
- Recorded 42 career tackles with three tackles for loss, six pass breakups and one forced fumble
- Played in 26 career games and made 14 starts

2025

- Expected to be out for an extended period after sustaining an injury in season opener vs. Syracuse on Aug. 30
- Started at corner and had one tackle in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30) but played just 19 snaps after leaving the game early due to injury

2024

- Delivered a breakout sophomore campaign in his first year as a starter at cornerback
- Started all 12 games he played in at corner

- Ranked third on the team in pass breakups with five to go along with 32 tackles, two tackles for loss and one forced fumble
- Made three tackles at #6 Ohio State (12/21) in CFP First Round game
- Had one of his best performances of the year in win vs. UTEP (11/23), making four tackles, including a 12-yard TFL, posting a career-high two PBUs and forcing a fumble in the second quarter that led to a UT touchdown
- 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)
- 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 nine-year professional career overseas
- Rated a four-star prospect by On3, Rivals and the 247Sports Composite rankings
- Slotted as the No. 17 cornerback in the country and a top-200 player overall (No. 172) by On3
- Held offers from over 30 Division I programs
- Donated \$5,000 of his NIL earnings back to his high school football team at Hewitt-Trussville In May 2025
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	6 (2x), last vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Tackles for Loss	1.0 (3x), last vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Passes Defended	2 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Forced Fumbles	1 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	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	12/12	25	7	32	0-0	2-15	1	0	5	0	6-2x
2025	1/1	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-SU
Career	26/14	32	10	42	0-0	3-18	1	0	6	0	6-2x

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	1-0-1
ETSU	DNP - Injury
Georgia	DNP - Injury

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	DNP - Injury
*vs. NC State	1-0-1
*Kent State	0-0-0
*at Oklahoma	1-1-2
*at Arkansas	0-0-0
*Florida	5-1-6, 1 pd
*Alabama	2-1-3
*Kentucky	4-2-6, 1 pd
*Mississippi State	2-0-2, 1 tfl
*at Georgia	2-2-4, 1 pd
*UTEP	4-0-4, 1 tfl, 1 ff, 2 pd
*at Vanderbilt	1-0-1
*at Ohio State	3-0-3

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	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. Iowa	1-0-1

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 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 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Strong-legged, in-state placekicker who starred for Lausanne Collegiate School in Memphis
- Earned a scholarship in 2025 and returns for his third year and second as the primary place kicker
- Redshirted as a true freshman in 2023 and won the starting kicker spot in the fall of 2024
- Arrived on Rocky Top in Dec. 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices before beginning classes in January 2023
- Is 26-of-33 on field goals and 71-of-71 on PATs in his career
- Played in 16 career games

2025

- Totaled 11 points in SEC opener against #6 Georgia (9/13), going 2-3 on field goal attempts and a perfect 5-5 on PATs
- Tied his career high with 15 points after converting all six of his PATs and all three field goal attempts, including a career-long 53-yarder in the fourth quarter of blowout win vs. ETSU (9/6)
- Was perfect in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30), hitting a 34-yard field goal to cap UT's opening drive of the game while converting all six of his PATs

2024

- Earned the starting place kicker role and played in all 13 games
- Was 20-of-26 on field goals and a perfect 54-of-54 on PATs, racking up 114 total points, which ranked sixth in UT single-season history. That tally was also fourth among all players in the SEC in 2024
- His 20 makes tied for fifth in the SEC and tied for sixth in school single-season annals
- Ranked sixth nationally and second in the SEC among kickers in scoring per game (8.8 ppg)
- Was 3-of-6 from 50 or more yards with a long of 52 yards
- Accounted for five points in the CFP First Round game at #6 Ohio State (12/21), drilling a 36-yarder in frigid temperatures in the second quarter
- Totaled 10 points in road win at Vanderbilt (11/30) after converting on all four of his PATs and both field goal attempts, including a 50-yarder in the second quarter
- Drilled a career-long 52-yard field goal in the first quarter at #12 Georgia (11/16) to become just the seventh placekicker in UT history with multiple 50-plus yard field goals in a single season (first since Brent Cimaglia in 2019)
- Was 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
- 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

- Selected as this season's "cookie monster," continuing an NIL tradition established by VFL and current New Orleans Saints CB Alontae Taylor that provides fans in Knoxville free cookies from Moonshine Mountain Cookies any time he makes a 50-plus yard field goal
- 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 Goal	53 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Longest Attempt	53 (3x), last vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
PATs	9 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Points	15 (4x), last vs. ETSU, 9/6/25

CAREER STATS

Kick	GP	FG	FGA	Pct.	PAT	Pts	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	Long
2023							DNP	-	Redshirted		
2024	13	20	26	76.9	54-54	114	4-4	9-10	4-6	3-6	52-UGA
2025	3	6	7	85.7	17-17	35	1-1	2-2	2-3	1-1	53-ETSU
Career	16	26	33	78.8	71-71	149	5-5	11-12	6-9	4-7	53-ETSU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	FGs, PATs, Pts
vs. Syracuse	1-1 (34G), 6-6, 9
ETSU	3-3 (29G, 37G, 53G), 6-6, 15
Georgia	2-3 (48G, 43M, 42G), 5-5, 11

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
UTEP	0-0, 8-8, 8
at Vanderbilt	2-2 (50G, 22G), 4-4, 10
at Ohio State	1-1 (36G), 2-2, 5

**LANCE HEARD**

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53**CAREER HONORS**

- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Coaches)
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 SEC All-Freshman Team

CAREER

- Physically impressive former five-star offensive tackle in his second year with the program after transferring to Tennessee following an SEC All-Freshman season at LSU in 2023
- Was the Vols' starting left tackle in 2024 and poised for a strong 2025
- 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
- Seen action on 1,148 offensive snaps and allowed only two sacks in his career
- Played in 26 career games (12 at LSU, 14 at UT) and has made 15 starts (1 at LSU, 14 at UT)

2025

- Played all 70 offensive plays at LT and didn't allow a sack or hit to help the Vols post 496 yards of total offense against #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Was UT's highest-graded pass blocker according to PFF (84.9) after playing 56 offensive snaps in dominant win over ETSU (9/16), helping the Vols rack up 717 yards of total offense and modern-era program records for in points (72) and first downs (41)
- Started and played all 68 offensive snaps at left tackle in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30) without allowing a sack or a hit as UT piled up 493 yards of total offense and 246 rushing yards
- Was the Vols' highest-graded offensive lineman against the Orange with a 76.2 grade from PFF

2024

- Earned the starting left tackle spot in his first year on Rocky Top
- Started all 11 games he played in and missed two games due to injury
- Played 753 offensive snaps while allowing just two sacks and three quarterback hits on the year according to PFF
- Played all 73 snaps at LT as UT rolled up an SEC season-high 281 rushing yards and 538 yards of total offense in a road win at Vanderbilt (11/30)
- Played 41 snaps at LT and helped UT rush for 241 yards while compiling 460 yards of total offense in win vs. UTEP (11/23)
- Played all 72 snaps at #12 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)
- 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: 2025: 3/3; 2024: 11/11; 2023: 12/1

Career: 26/15; LSU: 12/1; Tennessee: 14/14

**JAEDON HARMON**

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Rome, Ga.

12**CAREER**

- Instinctive, intelligent linebacker out of Georgia who has a chance to be an immediate contributor for the Vols this season
- Enrolled in January 2025 and was a part of the team during the spring while rehabbing from injury
- Played in 3 career games

2025

- Saw action on 16 defensive snaps and finished with two tackles and a QB hurry in dominant win over ETSU (9/6)
- Played extensively on special teams and also logged 13 defensive snaps in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30), posting four tackles and a pass breakup in his collegiate debut

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- A consensus four-star prospect by all major recruiting services and a top 200 player in the country for the 2025 recruiting cycle according to On3 (No. 199) and ESPN (No. 141)
- Chose UT over 36 other Division I offers, including 32 Power Four programs and 12 SEC schools
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	4 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Quarterback Hurries	1 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Passes Defended	1 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2025	3/0	3	3	6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	4-SU
Career	3/0	3	3	6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	4-SU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	2-2-4, 1 pd
ETSU	1-1-2, 1 qbh
Georgia	0-0-0



CALEB HERRING
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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Athletic edge rusher with exceptional burst who is in his third season with the program in 2025
- Saw an increased role in the defensive line rotation as a sophomore in 2024 and is emerging as a key contributor off the edge in 2025
- Bulked up this offseason and did an outstanding job developing his body after true freshman season
- Arrived on Rocky Top in Dec. 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices and spring practice 2023
- Has made 16 tackles, 5.5 TFLs, 2.5 sacks and forced one fumble in his career
- Played in 26 career games

2025

- Had a breakout performance in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13), setting career highs in tackles (4), TFLs (2.5), sacks (1.5) and QB hurries (1)
- Had one TFL in blowout victory vs. ETSU (9/6)
- Played 25 defensive snaps in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Saw action in 12 of the Vols' 13 games in 2024 at LEO
- Played 119 defensive snaps and finished with eight total tackles to go along with one tackle for loss
- Posted a pair of tackles and a TFL in CFP First Round contest at #6 Ohio State (12/21)
- Played a season-high 23 snaps and had a pair of tackles in win over UTEP (11/23)
- 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
- The consensus No. 1 overall player in the state of Tennessee for the Class of 2023 and a consensus four-star prospect
- 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
- Over his final three seasons at Riverdale High School, accumulated 200 total tackles, 56 tackles for loss, 11 sacks, four pass breakups and three interceptions
- Younger brother of Elijah Herring, who played linebacker for the Vols from 2022-23 before transferring to Memphis and then Florida State
- Chose Tennessee over 35 other Division I offers, including nine SEC programs
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	4 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Tackles for Loss	2.5 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Sacks	1.5 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
QB Hurries	1 (2x), last vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Forced Fumbles	1 vs. UTSA, 9/23/23

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	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	12/0	4	4	8	0-0	1-3	0	0	1	0	2-2x
2025	3/0	4	1	5	1.5-5	3.5-13	0	0	1	0	4-UGA
Career	26/0	9	7	16	2.5-12	5.5-23	1	0	2	0	4-UGA

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	0-0-0
ETSU	1-0-1, 1 tfl
Georgia	3-1-4, 2.5 tfl, 1.5 s, 1 qbh

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-1-1, 1 qbh
vs. NC State	1-0-1
Kent State	DNP
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0
Florida	0-0-0
Alabama	0-1-1
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-1-1
at Georgia	0-0-0
UTEP	1-1-2
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0
at Ohio State	2-0-2, 1 tfl

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	0-0-0
at Alabama	DNP
at Kentucky	DNP
UConn	0-0-0
at Missouri	0-1-1
Georgia	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-0-0
vs. Iowa	0-0-0



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CAREER HONORS

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Former five-star recruit who is in his third season, poised to make a major impact in the defensive interior

- Has seen increased time every year and played a vital role in the rotation in 2024
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2023 and was limited in spring practice after recovering from an upper body injury
- Played in 23 career games with no starts

2025

- Sustained a lower body injury during fall camp and has missed the first three games of the season

2024

- Member of the defensive tackle rotation on Tennessee's elite defense
- Saw action in all 13 games and played 209 total defensive snaps
- Logged 20 total tackles, including 2.5 tackles for loss and one sack at defensive tackle
- Made CFP debut at #6 Ohio State (12/21) and posted one assisted tackle
- Played a season-high 32 snaps and made three tackles in win vs. UTEP (11/23), including a career-best 1.5 TFLs and half a sack
- Had two solo tackles in 20 defensive snaps at No. 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 adding a QB hurry
- Played 22 snaps and finished with one tackle and one QB hurry in win over No. 7 Alabama (10/19)
- Had half a sack and a QB hurry at Arkansas (10/5)
- Logged 16 defensive snaps and made two tackles in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31).

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Nicknames are "D2W" and "Shrek"
- Considered the No. 4 defensive lineman in the country by On3 and 247Sports
- Ranked the top prospect in North Carolina by 247Sports and Rivals
- Dual sport athlete in high school who led the Robinson 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	1.5 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Sacks	0.5 (2x), last vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
QB Hurries	1 (3x), last vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2023	10/0	6	8	14	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	3-2x
2024	13/0	7	13	20	1-3	2.5-5	0	0	3	0	4-UK
2025	0/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	-
Career	23/0	13	21	34	1-3	3.5-6	0	0	3	0	4-UK

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	DNP - Injury
ETSU	DNP - Injury
Georgia	DNP - Injury

2024 Opp.	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
UTEP	1-2-3, 1.5 tfl, 0.5 s
at Vanderbilt	1-0-1
at Ohio State	0-1-1

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
at Missouri	0-0-0
Georgia	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	1-1-2, 0.5 tfl
vs. Iowa	0-0-0



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CAREER HONORS

- SEC Co-Defensive Player of the Week (vs. Syracuse, 9/1/25)

CAREER

- Transfer cornerback expected to make an impact in his first season on Rocky Top
- Committed to the Vols in May 2025
- Played his redshirt freshman season of 2024 at Colorado where he was part of a starting rotation
- Joined the Buffaloes after spending his freshman campaign of 2023 at Auburn
- A McDonough, Georgia, native who is closer to home and has three years of remaining eligibility, including the 2025 season
- Made 38 total tackles during his career with two interceptions, 11 pass breakups and one fumble recovery for a touchdown
- Played in 20 career games (4 at Auburn, 13 at Colorado, 3 at UT) with four starts (1 at Colorado, 3 at UT)

2025

- Tied for second in the FBS with five pass breakups entering Week 4 of the season
- Posted a career-high seven tackles in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Started the home opener vs. ETSU (9/6) and had a pair of pass breakups in his Neyland Stadium debut
- Started at cornerback in his Tennessee debut vs. Syracuse (8/30) and earned SEC Co-Defensive Player of the Week honors after making an immediate impact in the secondary, finishing with four tackles, a fumble recovery for a touchdown and three pass breakups, all career bests
- Provided a swing in momentum against the Orange with a 22-yard fumble return for a touchdown late in the first quarter, the first scoop-and-score for the Vols since 2023
- His three PBUs were the most by an SEC player in Week 1

2024 (AT COLORADO)

- Part of a cornerback rotation at Colorado that included Heisman Trophy winner Travis Hunter
- Earned All-Big 12 honorable mention honors from College Football News
- Played in all 13 games with one start and also was a major contributor in special teams coverage
- Finished the season with 24 total tackles, six pass breakups, two interceptions and one tackle for loss
- In his first career start against Arizona, limited future top pick Tetairoa McMillan to only five receptions for 38 yards, while collecting his second career interception and returning it 46 yards
- Delivered a breakout game against Kansas State (10/12) after Hunter left for injury
- Finished with two tackles and his first career interception, returning it 59 yards, that helped set up a touchdown against the Wildcats
- Collected a career-high three solo tackles in Alamo Bowl vs. BYU (12/28)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in journalism and electronic media
- Has two sisters and five brothers
- Brother, Brandon, played running back at Colorado in 2024 before transferring to UMass
- Uncle, Roderick Hood, played eight seasons in the NFL after appearing in 47 games as a defensive back for Auburn
- Favorite musical artist is NBA YoungBoy
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	7 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Tackles for Loss	1.0 at UCF, 9/28/24*
Interceptions	1 (2x), last at Arizona, 10/19/24*
Long Interception Return	59 vs. Kansas State, 10/12/24*
Passes Defended	3 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Fumble Recoveries	1 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Long Fumble Return	22 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Touchdowns	1 (fumble return) vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

* - at Colorado

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PD	High Tk
2023	4/0	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3-MD
2024	13/1	20	4	24	0-0	1-1	0	0	2	8	3-3x
2025	3/3	6	5	11	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	5	7-UGA
at AUB	4/0	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3-MD
at COLO	13/1	20	4	24	0-0	1-1	0	0	2	8	3-3x
at UT	3/3	6	5	11	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	5	7-UGA
Career	20/4	29	9	38	0-0	1-1	0	1	2	13	7-UGA

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	3-1-4, 1 fr (TD), 3 pd
*ETSU	0-0-0, 2 pd
*Georgia	3-4-7

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
North Dakota State	2-0-2
at Nebraska	0-1-1
at Colorado State	2-0-2, 1 pd
Baylor	1-0-1, 1 pd
at UCF	2-0-2, 1 tfl
Kansas State	0-2-2, 1 pd, 1 int
*at Arizona	3-0-3, 1 pd, 1 int
Cincinnati	2-0-2
at Texas Tech	2-1-3
Utah	1-0-1, 2 pd
at Kansas	1-0-1
Oklahoma State	1-0-1, 2 pd
vs. BYU	3-0-3

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
UMass	0-0-0
Samford	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0
vs. Maryland	3-0-3

* - denotes started



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CAREER

- Physical receiver who starred for Sheffield High School in Memphis
- Enrolled at UT in January 2025, participated in spring practice and shined in the Orange & White Game
- Rated a consensus four-star prospect and top-10 player from Tennessee by all major recruiting services
- The No. 2 player in the state of Tennessee according to On3
- Named the 2023 Class 3A Mr. Football for Tennessee
- Played in three career games

2025

- Tallied one five-yard catch in his first SEC action vs. #6 Georgia (9/13)

- Saw action on 15 offensive snaps and pulled in three catches for 35 yards in blowout win vs. ETSU (9/6)
- Made his Tennessee debut in the season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30), did not record any stats

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Goes by "RaRa"
- Favorite musical artists are NBA YoungBoy and Rod Wave
- X: @RadariousC | IG: @iamthr3e

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions	3 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Receiving Yards	35 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Long Reception	15 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25

CAREER STATS

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2025	3/0	4	40	10.0	13.3	0	15-ETSU	35-ETSU
Career	3/0	4	40	10.0	13.3	0	15-ETSU	35-ETSU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Syracuse	0-0-0
ETSU	3-35-0, 15
Georgia	1-5-0, 5



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Senior Bowl Top 300 List
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Second Team (Athlon)
- SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/23/24)

CAREER

- Fourth-year defensive pass rusher with great length and quickness who is poised to have a big fall
- In 2024, teamed with James Pearce Jr., at the LEO position to form a ferocious pass rush
- According to PFF, is the only returning edge in the country with 85+ grades in run defense (91.4) and pass rush (86.4)
- Recorded 83 tackles, 20 tackles for loss, 8.5 sacks, 17 QB hurries, five forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries and seven pass breakups in his career
- Played in 40 career games and made eight starts

2025

- Ranks tied for first in the SEC and 13th in the FBS with 3.0 sacks this season
- Tied for the FBS lead with two forced fumbles entering Week 4
- His 90.5 pass rush grade according to PFF leads all SEC players and ranks 10th in the FBS (min. 50 pass rush snaps)
- In his 40th career game, started at LEO and posted four total tackles and a career-high 2.0 TFLs vs. #6 Georgia (9/13) - including a strip sack late in the fourth quarter that led to a field goal
- Posted a solo sack for a loss of nine yards and one pass breakup in the home opener vs. ETSU (9/6)
- Started at LEO in the season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30) and posted a career-high tying seven tackles, one sack for a loss of 10 yards and a forced fumble

2024

- One of the top 10 highest graded edge rushers in the country according to PFF (90.0)
- Played in all 13 games with five starts at the LEO position
- Ranked fifth on the team overall with 39 tackles and was second on the squad with nine tackles for loss
- Added 1.5 sacks, three pass breakups, eight QB hurries, a team-high three forced fumbles and two fumble recoveries
- Tied for fourth in the SEC in forced fumbles

- Made three tackles, including one TFL and half a sack, while adding a pass breakup in road win at Vanderbilt (11/30)
- Was dominant in win vs. UTEP (11/23), posting five tackles and a QB hurry while setting a career high with two TFLs
- Posted three tackles and one PBU at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- 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), and pass breakups (1) while also recording 1.5 TFLs and 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 (2x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Tackles for Loss	2.0 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Sacks	1.0 (8x), last vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
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 (7x), last at ETSU, 9/6/25

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	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	13/5	17	22	39	1.5-10	9-25	3	2	8	3	7-UF
2025	3/3	9	3	12	4-20	3-19	2	0	1	1	7-SU
Career	40/8	43	40	83	8.5-54	20-78	5	2	17	7	7-2x

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	5-2-7, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff, 1 qbh
*ETSU	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 pd
*Georgia	3-1-4, 2 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff

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
UTEP	2-3-5, 2 tfl, 1 qbh
at Vanderbilt	1-2-3, 1 tfl, 0.5 s, 1 pd
at Ohio State	0-1-1

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	1-1-2

Austin Peay	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s
at Florida	DNP
UTSA	0-1-1
South Carolina	1-0-1, 1 s, 1 tfl, 1 qbh
Texas A&M	1-0-1
at Alabama	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 Opp.	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

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Mackey Award Preseason Watch List
- 2025 Senior Bowl Top 300 List
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Coaches)
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Veteran SEC tight end in his final season as one of the top players at his position in the country
- Came to Tennessee after spending the 2022-23 seasons at Alabama and has developed into one of the team leaders
- Member of the team's leadership council
- A tremendous pass catcher with punishing blocking ability
- Originally signed with Alabama after playing one season at Hutchinson (Kan.) Community College
- Granted another year of eligibility with an NCAA waiver in December 2024
- According to PFF, is one of the top three returning tight ends in the SEC in 2025
- Has 32 career catches for 398 yards and five receiving touchdowns
- Played in 35 games at the FBS level with 16 starts (16/16 at UT)

2025

- Hauled in three catches for the second straight week and finished with 33 receiving yards in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Recorded three receptions for 36 yards in the home opener vs. ETSU (9/6)
- Started the season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30), played 63 offensive snaps and finished with two catches for 10 yards, including a 2-yard touchdown grab in the fourth quarter

2024

- Tennessee's starting tight end in all 13 games during the 2024 College Football Playoff season, leading the unit with 301 receiving yards, four receiving touchdowns and one rushing score
- His five total scores were third-most among SEC tight ends
- Scored a go-ahead, 18-yard touchdown at Vanderbilt (11/30) and finished the regular season finale with two catches for 33 yards

- Logged two catches for 34 yards vs. UTEP (11/23)
- 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
- Produced the best outing of his FBS career against Kentucky (11/2), finishing with a game- and career-high 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)
- 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 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
Receiving Touchdowns	1 (5x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Long Reception	31 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Rushing Attempts	1 (2x), last at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
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	13/13	22	301	13.7	23.2	4	31-UK	97-UK
2025	3/3	8	79	9.9	26.3	1	18-UGA	36-ETSU
at ALA	19/0	2	18	9.0	0.9	0	13-UST	18-UST
at UT	16/16	30	380	12.7	23.8	5	31-UK	97-UK
Career	35/16	32	398	12.4	11.4	5	31-UK	97-UK

* at Alabama

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*vs. Syracuse	2-10-1, 8
*ETSU	3-36-0, 17
*Georgia	3-33-0, 18

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)
*UTEP	2-34-0, 24
*at Vanderbilt	2-33-1, 18
*at Ohio State	1-5-0, 5

2023 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
MTSU	0-0-0
Texas	0-0-0

at USF	0-0-0
Ole Miss	0-0-0
at Mississippi St.	0-0-0
at Texas A&M	0-0-0
Arkansas	0-0-0
Tennessee	0-0-0
LSU	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0
Chattanooga	DNP
at Auburn	0-0-0
vs. Georgia	0-0-0
vs. Michigan	0-0-0

2022 Opp.	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



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Electrifying 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
- Taking on a larger role in the Vols' backfield in 2025 after a solid freshman campaign
- Began his Tennessee career as a special teams contributor before earning a spot in the rotation at running back in 2024
- Played in 16 career games

2025

- Part of Tennessee's three-man rotation at running back this season
- Had five carries for 19 yards in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Toted eight carries in the home opener vs. ETSU (9/6) and found the end zone for the second week in a row with a 2-yard touchdown in the first quarter
- Scored UT's first touchdown of the 2025 campaign in the season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30) with a 2-yard plunge in the first quarter and finished the game with eight carries for 38 yards

2024

- Played in all 13 contests during his debut season, handling 64 carries for 339 yards and three TDs
- Assumed kick return duties during the latter half of the 2024 campaign and finished the year with seven returns for 151 yards (21.6 avg)
- Logged 10 carries for 77 yards and three catches for seven yards in Tennessee's CFP First Round tilt at #6 Ohio State (12/21)
- Posted his first career multi-touchdown performance with two rushing scores vs. UTEP (11/23), finishing the contest with seven carries for 46 yards and a 26-yard kickoff return
- Had 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 sport management with a minor in business administration
- 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
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CAREER HIGHS

Rushes	14 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Rushing Yards	99 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Rushing Touchdowns	2 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Long Rush	35 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Receptions	3 at Ohio State, 12/21/24
Receiving Yards	9 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Long Reception	9 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Kickoff Returns	2 at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
Kickoff Return Yards	36 at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
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	13/0	64	339	5.3	26.1	3	35-KSU	99-KSU
2025	3/0	21	76	3.6	25.3	2	8-SU	38-SU
Career	16/0	85	415	4.9	25.9	5	35-KSU	99-KSU

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2024	13/0	4	14	3.5	1.1	0	7-UGA	7-2x
2025	3/0	1	9	9.0	3.0	0	9-ETSU	9-ETSU
Career	16/0	5	23	4.6	1.4	0	9-ETSU	9-ETSU

Kick Returns	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2024	7	151	21.6	11.6	0	31-MSU	36-VU
2025	2	42	21.0	14.0	0	24-SU	24-SU
Career	9	193	21.4	12.1	0	31-MSU	36-VU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	KR-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Syracuse	8-38-1, 8	1-24-0, 24
ETSU	8-19-1, 7	1-18-0, 18
Georgia	5-19-0, 7	0-0-0

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
UTEP	7-46-2, 14	1-26-0, 26
at Vanderbilt	2-0-0, 0	2-36-0, 19
at Ohio State	10-77-0, 26	1-24-0, 24



GEORGE MacINTYRE

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Franklin, Tenn.

CAREER

- Outstanding four-star in-state quarterback and leader who comes from a successful football family
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2025 and participated in spring practice
- Consensus four-star prospect by all services
- At his position, ranked No. 8 by Rivals, No. 10 by ESPN, No. 12 by On3 and No. 14 by 247Sports

- Considered the No. 1 overall recruit in the Volunteer State by ESPN, No. 2 by On3 and No. 3 by 247Sports
- For his high school career, threw for 8,293 yards (230.4 ypg) with 62 touchdowns in 36 games
- As a sophomore in 2022, led Brentwood Academy to the 2022 state semifinals by throwing for 2,341 yards and 19 touchdowns
- Also played basketball, guiding Brentwood to the Division II-AA state championship as a sophomore and a state runner-up finish as a junior
- Committed to the Vols in January 2024
- Played in one career game

2025

- Made his collegiate debut in the home opener vs. ETSU (9/6), completing 6-of-7 passes for 52 yards and engineering a scoring drive in the fourth quarter

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Grandson of former Vanderbilt coach, the late George MacIntyre
- Mike MacIntyre, George's uncle, coached at San Jose State, Colorado and FIU and in the NFL
- Nickname is "G-Mac"
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CAREER HIGHS

Completions	6 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Attempts	7 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Passing Yards	52 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Long Pass	13 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25

CAREER STATS

Passing	GP/GS	Com	Att	Pct	TD	Int	Yds	Per/G	Long	High Yd
2025	1/0	6	7	85.7	0	0	52	52.0	13-ETSU	52-ETSU
Career	1/0	6	7	85.7	0	0	52	52.0	13-ETSU	52-ETSU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
vs. Syracuse						DNP					
ETSU	6	7	0	0	85.7	52	13	0	0	0	--
Georgia						DNP					



MIKE MATTHEWS

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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Signed with the Vols as one of the nation's top wide receiver prospects in 2024 and is poised to be a go-to receiver in his second year in 2025
- Showcases elite ball skills and athleticism and can make an impact in the return game, as well
- Came on strong late in 2024 and that momentum carried over to the spring
- Played in 14 career games and made three starts

2025

- Logged five receptions for 59 yards in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Posted career-highs in receptions (6) and receiving yards (111) in blowout win vs. ETSU (9/6), including an acrobatic 53-yard touchdown catch in the second quarter
- Made his first-career start in the season-opening victory vs. Syracuse (8/30) and pulled in two catches for 29 yards

2024

- Saw action in 11 games in the wide receiver rotation and finished his true freshman season with seven receptions for 90 yards and two touchdowns
- Hauled in a season-high three catches for 30 yards in the regular season finale at Vanderbilt (11/30), including his second touchdown of the year on a 14-yard reception in the third quarter

- Pulled in a season-long 25-yard catch in the regular season home finale vs. UTEP (11/23)
- 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	6 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Receiving Yards	111 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Receiving TDs	1 (3x), last vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Long Reception	53 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
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	11/0	7	90	12.9	8.2	2	25-UTEP	35-KSU
2025	3/3	13	199	15.3	66.3	1	53-ETSU	111-ETSU
Career	14/3	20	289	14.4	20.6	2	53-ETSU	111-ETSU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	KR-Yds-TD, Lg
*vs. Syracuse	2-29-0, 16	0-0-0
*ETSU	6-111-1, 53	0-0-0
*Georgia	5-59-0, 21	0-0-0

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
UTEP	1-25-0, 25	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	3-30-1, 14	0-0-0
at Ohio State	0-0-0	0-0-0

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Bednarik Award Preseason Watch List
- 2025 Thorpe Award Preseason Watch List
- 2025 Nagurski Trophy Preseason Watch List
- 2025 Lott IMPACT Trophy Preseason Watch List
- 2025 ESPN Top 100 Players List (No. 31)
- 2025 Senior Bowl Top 300 List
- 2025 Preseason All-America First Team (AP, Athlon, ESPN, PFF, Sporting News, Walter Camp)
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC First Team (Athlon, Coaches, Media)
- 2024 Jim Thorpe Award Semifinalist
- 2024 All-America Second Team (AP, SI)
- 2024 All-SEC First Team (AP)
- 2024 All-SEC Second Team (Coaches)
- Thorpe Award National Defensive Back of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/24/24)

CAREER

- Athletic, ball-hawking cornerback who is considered the nation's best at his position

- A candidate for the 2025 Thorpe Award and preseason first-team All-American after earning second team honors in 2024
- Played his true freshman season at Oregon State before transferring to Tennessee in January 2024
- In his second season on Rocky Top and owns two years of remaining eligibility
- The highest rated cornerback in EA Sports College Football 26 with a 94 overall grade
- Is the sixth-highest ranked defensive player regardless of his position by EA Sports
- Totaled 75 tackles, 16 pass breakups and six interceptions during his career
- Played in 25 career games (12 at OSU, 13 at UT) with 18 starts (5 at OSU, 13 at UT)
- Suffered a knee injury while training in January 2025 and is working his way back

2025

- Has not seen action in the first three weeks of the season due to injury

2024

- Second-team All-America selection and semifinalist for the Thorpe Award in his first season on Rocky Top
- Started all 13 games at corner and led the Vols with 13 passes defended — four interceptions and nine pass breakups
- Two of his picks were in the endzone and prevented touchdowns
- His 13 passes defended ranked fourth in the SEC and fourth among underclassmen nationally
- Ranked in a four-way tie for fourth in the SEC in interceptions
- His 13 passes defended were the most by a Vol since Theo Jackson also had 13 in 2021
- According to PFF, his 89.6 coverage grade ranked third in the SEC and ninth in the FBS among cornerbacks
- Selected to the All-SEC First Team by the AP and the All-SEC Second Team by the coaches
- Allowed only one touchdown during the regular season on 640 total snaps
- Finished with 44 total tackles, which ranked third on the team
- Snared his fourth interception of the season with a spectacular carom off a tipped pass in the end zone at Vanderbilt (11/30) and finished the regular season finale with six total tackles
- Registered a career-high three passes defended vs. UTEP (11/23), including his third pick of the season and a pair of pass breakups in the shutout victory
- Tied for the team lead with seven tackles in the win over Mississippi State (11/9), including two solo stops
- 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)
- 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 yards
- 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)
- 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
- X: @JermodMcCoy | IG: @jermodmccoy

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	8 vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
Tackles For Loss	0.5 (2x), last vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
Interceptions	1 (6x), last at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
Passes Defended	3 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Fumble Recoveries	1 at Washington State, 9/23/23*
Punt Returns	2 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Punt Return Yards	34 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Long Punt Return	23 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

* - at Oregon State

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	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	13/13	26	18	44	0-0	0.5-0	0	0	4	13	8-ALA
2025	0/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	-
at OSU	12/5	16	15	31	0-0	0.5-1	0	1	2	9	6-2x
at UT	13/13	26	18	44	0-0	0.5-0	0	0	4	13	8-ALA
Career	25/18	42	33	75	0-0	1-1	0	1	6	22	8-ALA

* - at Oregon State

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	DNP - Injury
ETSU	DNP - Injury
Georgia	DNP - Injury

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	1-1-2, 1 pd
*vs. NC State	3-0-3
*Kent State	0-0-0, 1 pd (23-yd. PR)
*at Oklahoma	3-0-3, 2 pd, 1 int
*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
*UTEP	0-0-0, 3 pd, 1 int
*at Vanderbilt	4-2-6, 1 pd, 1 int
*at Ohio State	4-1-5

2023 Opp.	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

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2022 College Football News Freshman All-America Second Team

CAREER

- Versatile and experienced cornerback who joined the Vols prior to the 2024 season after spending three years at Temple
- Appeared in 27 games with 23 starts and was a team captain for the Owls
- Using his final year of eligibility in 2025 after a solid debut season for the Big Orange in 2024
- Logged 121 tackles—82 solo—with 3.5 tackles for loss, one interception, 16 pass breakups, two forced fumbles and one fumble recovery during his career
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2024
- Played in 43 career games (27 at TU, 16 at UT) with 27 starts (23 at TU, 4 at UT)

2025

- Tied his career high with seven total tackles in SEC opener against #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Made the start at STAR in the home opener vs. ETSU (9/6) and posted three solo tackles
- Started at STAR in the season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30), racked up a career-high tying seven tackles, including his first-career sack, and made a pivotal pass breakup that led to an interception by Jeremiah Telandier early in the second half

2024

- Played in all 13 games and made one start at corner in his debut season with Tennessee
- Finished the year with 14 total tackles (12 solo) and four pass breakups
- Had one tackle and played 16 defensive snaps in CFP First Round game at #6 Ohio State (12/21)
- Collected a pair of tackles vs. UTEP (11/23)
- 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)
- 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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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	7 (5x), last vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Tackles For Loss	1.0 (3x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Sacks	1.0 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
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*
Fumble Recoveries	1 vs. USF, 11/5/22*

* - at Temple

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	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	13/1	12	2	14	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	4	2-4x
2025	3/3	12	5	17	1-5	1-5	0	0	0	1	7-2x
at TU	27/23	59	31	90	0-0	2.5-11	2	1	1	12	7-3x
at UT	16/4	24	7	31	1-5	1-5	0	0	0	5	7-2x
Career	43/27	78	36	114	1-5	3.5-16	2	1	1	17	7-5x

* - at Temple

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	4-3-7, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 pd
*ETSU	3-0-3
*Georgia	5-2-7

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
UTEP	1-1-2
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0, 1 pd
at Ohio State	1-0-1

2023 Opp.	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

* - denotes started



JAKE MERKLINGER
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Savannah, Ga.

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CAREER

- Talented young quarterback who put up prolific passing numbers during his prep career in Georgia
- Served as the Vols' third-string quarterback during his true freshman season in 2024
- Played in three career games

2025

- Saw the most extensive action of his career in the home opener vs. ETSU (9/6) and completed 9-of-14 passes for a career-high 118 yards, including the first two touchdown passes of his career

2024

- Served as Tennessee's third-string quarterback during his first season on campus and earned a redshirt
- Played in two games and was 6-of-9 for 48 yards with no touchdowns or interceptions
- 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
- A consensus four-star recruit by all four major recruiting services
- Rated a top-300 player nationally by Rivals (No. 80), ESPN (No. 185) and 247Sports (No. 211)
- A four-year starter at Calvary Day School in Savannah, Georgia, who finished his prep career with an impressive 42-10 record and 145 total touchdowns (113 passing, 32 rushing)
- Has one brother, Ryan, who played college football at Western Illinois and Valparaiso
- Multi-sport standout who also starred for the Calvary Day basketball and lacrosse teams

- Chose Tennessee over 27 other Division I offers, including eight SEC programs
- 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
- X: @JakeMerklinger | IG: @jakemerklinger

CAREER HIGHS

Completions	9 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Attempts	14 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Passing Yards	118 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Passing Touchdowns	2 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Long Pass	32 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
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	9	66.7	0	0	48	24.0	13-UTC	31-UTC
2025	1/0	9	14	64.3	2	0	118	118.0	32-ETSU	118-ETSU
Career	3/0	6	9	66.7	0	0	48	24.0	13-UTC	31-UTC

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
vs. Syracuse					DNP						
ETSU	9	14	2	9	64.3	118	32	2	17	0	11
Georgia					DNP						

2024 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
Chattanooga	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					DNP						
at Arkansas					DNP						
Florida					DNP						
Alabama					DNP						
Kentucky					DNP						
Mississippi State					DNP						
at Georgia					DNP						
UTEP					DNP						
at Vanderbilt					DNP						
at Ohio State					DNP						



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 On3 Preseason All-Transfer Portal Team
- 2024 Big 12 Fall Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 All-Pac-12 Second Team (AP)
- 2023 Midseason Freshman All-American Watch List (FWAA)

CAREER

- Powerful offensive guard who transferred to Tennessee after playing three seasons at Arizona where he was all-conference
- Enrolled on Rocky Top in January 2025 and went through spring practice after entering the transfer portal on Dec. 18, 2024
- Owns two seasons of eligibility, including the 2025 campaign
- Seen action on 1,975 offensive snaps and has allowed only one sack during his career
- Has not allowed a sack in 22 consecutive games dating back to his redshirt freshman season
- Played in 32 games (29 at Arizona, 3 at UT) with 30 starts (27 at Arizona, 3 at UT)
- Of his 30 starts, 27 were at left guard and three at right guard

2025

- Played 70 offensive plays at RG in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13) and did not allow a pressure as the Vols put up 41 points and 496 yards of total offense

- Played 56 offensive snaps at right guard during the home opener vs. ETSU (9/6) and did not allow a sack or hurry as the Vols rolled up 717 total yards and a modern-era school record 72 points against the Bucs
- Started his Tennessee debut at right guard and saw action on all 68 offensive snaps vs. Syracuse (8/30), did not allow a sack or pressure and helped pave the way for 493 total yards and 246 rushing yards

2024 (AT ARIZONA)

- Played in all 12 games with 11 starts, all at left guard
- Did not allow a sack or a penalty and issued only one QB hit in a team-high 760 offensive snaps
- According to PFF, played 638 snaps at left guard and 122 snaps at right guard
- Saw a season-high 86 offensive snaps at BYU (10/12)
- Selected to the Big 12 Academic Honor Roll

NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- Nickname is "Wowo"
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CAREER STATS

Games Played/Started: 2025: 3/3; 2024: 12/11; 2023: 13/13; 2022: 4/3

Career: 32/30; Arizona: 29/27; Tennessee: 3/3



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Polynesian College Football Player of the Year Award Watch List

CAREER

- Strong, experienced interior defensive lineman in his second season with the program after transferring from Stanford
- Quickly developed into a leader on the defense and was selected to the team's leadership council
- In two seasons with the Cardinal, played in 24 games with eight starts at defensive tackle
- For his entire collegiate career, recorded 53 total tackles, 10 tackles for loss, three sacks, one forced fumble and four pass breakups
- Played in 38 career games (24 at Stanford, 14 at UT) with nine starts (8 at Stanford, 1 at Tennessee)

2025

- Did not play in home opener vs. ETSU (9/6) or SEC opener vs. Georgia (9/13) due to injury
- Started the season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30) but played just three snaps before leaving the game early due to injury

2024

- Quickly made his presence known at defensive tackle in his first season as a prominent part of the rotation
- Played in all 13 games with no starts, seeing action on 246 defensive snaps
- Finished the season with 16 total tackles, 4.5 tackles for loss, two sacks, a forced fumble and one PBU
- Posted a solo sack and a pass breakup in the regular season finale at Vanderbilt (11/30)
- 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 seven yards as part of a dominant defensive showing by UT
- Logged three tackles, including a half TFL, in UT's win 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
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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 (2x), last at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
Forced Fumbles	1 at Georgia, 11/16/24
Passes Defended	1 (4x), last at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24

* - at Stanford

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	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	13/0	7	9	16	2-13	4.5-19	1	0	0	1	3-2x
2025	1/1	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	-
at STAN	24/8	11	26	37	1-4	5.5-15	0	0	3	3	4-3x
at UT	14/1	7	9	16	2-13	4.5-19	1	0	0	1	3-2x
Career	38/9	18	35	53	3-17	10-34	1	0	3	4	4-3x

* - at Stanford

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	0-0-0
ETSU	DNP - Injury
Georgia	DNP - Injury

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
UTEP	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 pd
at Ohio State	0-0-0

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

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Colgate	0-0-0, 1 qbh
Southern Cal	0-2-2
at Washington	1-1-2
at Oregon	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s
*Oregon State	0-0-0
at Notre Dame	2-2-4, 1 pd
Arizona State	0-3-3, 1.0 tfl, 1 pd

at UCLA	1-0-1
Washington State	1-2-3, 1.0 tfl
at Utah	0-0-0
at California	3-1-4, 2.0 tfl
BYU	0-2-2

* - denotes started



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First name pronounced duh-WAN

CAREER

- Dynamic running back who is competing for a spot in the rotation as a true freshman
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2025 and participated in spring practice
- Also in the mix for kickoff and punt return duties
- Played in two career games

2025

- Logged nine carries for 48 yards in the home opener vs. ETSU (9/6), including his first-career touchdown with a 10-yard rushing score in the fourth quarter
- Also active in the punt return game against the Bucs with three returns for 24 yards
- Made his collegiate debut in the season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30) and toted two carries for two yards

NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- Consensus top-20 prospect in the state of Tennessee for the class of 2025
- Helped lead Oakland (Tenn.) High School to a 2024 Class 6A state title his senior season
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CAREER HIGHS

Rushes	9 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Rushing Yards	48 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Rushing Touchdowns	1 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Long Rush	10 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Punt Returns	3 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Punt Return Yards	24 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Long Punt Return	11 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25

CAREER STATS

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2025	2/0	11	50	4.5	25.0	1	10-ETSU	48-ETSU
Career	2/0	11	50	4.5	25.0	1	10-ETSU	48-ETSU

Punt Returns	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2025	3	24	8.0	12.0	0	11-ETSU	24-ETSU
Career	3	24	8.0	12.0	0	11-ETSU	24-ETSU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	PR-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Syracuse	2-2-0, 2	0-0-0
ETSU	9-48-1, 10	3-24-0, 11
Georgia	DNP	



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CAREER

- Experienced interior lineman who transferred to Tennessee after playing two seasons at Notre Dame
- Was originally recruited by the Vols out of high school in nearby North Carolina
- Owns three seasons of remaining eligibility after redshirting as a true freshman
- Member of two Joe Moore Award semifinalist units with the Irish
- Committed to Tennessee on Jan. 24, 2025
- Enrolled at UT in January 2025 and went through spring practice

- Has not allowed a sack over 694 snaps during his career
- Played in 19 career games (16 at Notre Dame, 3 at UT) with 10 starts (7 at Notre Dame, 3 at UT)
- Of his 10 starts, seven were at left guard and three at center

2025

- Saw action on all 70 offensive plays in his SEC debut vs. #6 Georgia (9/13) and did not allow a sack or hit as UT put up 41 points and 496 yards of total offense
- Played 46 offensive snaps at center during the home opener vs. ETSU (9/6) and did not allow a pressure as the Vols rolled up 717 total yards and a modern-era school record 72 points
- Started his Tennessee debut at center vs. Syracuse (8/30) and according to PFF, played 67 offensive snaps without allowing a sack and helped pave the way for 493 total yards and 246 rushing yards

2024 (AT NOTRE DAME)

- A major contributor at offensive guard and the backup center for Notre Dame, who reached the College Football Playoff National Championship Game
- Played in 13 games with seven starts – all at left guard
- Starts came during the first seven games of the year
- Saw action on 482 offensive snaps and did not allow a sack the entire season
- Played 34 snaps in CFP First Round Game vs. Indiana (12/20)
- Did not play in the Sugar Bowl, Orange Bowl or CFP title game
- Played a season-high 68 offensive snaps in left guard start at Georgia Tech (10/19)
- Started and played all 48 snaps vs. Stanford (10/12)
- Left guard start vs. Louisville (9/28) saw him play 52 offensive snaps
- Made first career start at Texas A&M (8/31), playing all 67 snaps at left guard and five snaps on special teams unit in big road win

NOTABLE

- Majoring in economics
- Has a twin sister, Emma and a brother, Eli
- Lived on a beef farm near Pilot Mountain, North Carolina, where his dad runs a feed business
- Works on the farm when he goes back home, including during spring break
- Was originally recruited by Tennessee out of high school
- Wears an old-school facemask as an homage to his father Jason, who played on the offensive line at William & Mary, where he was a teammate of Pittsburgh Steelers head coach Mike Tomlin in the early 1990s
- Watches old-school tape on former Washington NFL standout John Riggins
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CAREER STATS

Games Played/Started: 2025: 3/3; 2024: 13/7; 2023: 3/0
Career: 19/10; **Notre Dame:** 16/7; **Tennessee:** 3/3



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Versatile offensive lineman from the midstate who is expected to make an impact in 2025 at guard or tackle
- Transformed his body since arriving on Rocky Top in January 2024, adding to his frame and gaining more than 50 pounds during that span

- Regarded as a player who “does everything right” according to offensive line coach Glen Elarbee
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2024 as a three-star prospect by all major recruiting services
- Played in seven career games with three starts, all at right tackle

2025

- According to PFF, his 86.7 pass blocking grade for the season ranks second among tackles in the SEC and third among tackles in the FBS entering Week 4 (min. 100 pass block snaps)
- Saw action on all 70 offensive plays vs. #6 Georgia (9/13) and did not allow a pressure as the Vols put up 41 points and 496 yards of total offense
- Played 56 offensive snaps at right tackle during the home opener vs. ETSU (9/6) and did not allow a sack or QB hit as the Vols rolled up 717 total yards and a modern-era school record 72 points
- Made his first-career start in the season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30) and played all 68 offensive snaps at right tackle without allowing a sack, helping pave the way for 493 total yards and 246 rushing yards

2024

- Played in four games as a true freshman before earning a redshirt
- Saw action on 72 offensive snaps for the season
- Played 20 snaps at right tackle vs. UTEP (11/23) and Kent State (9/14)
- Made his collegiate debut with a season-high 32 snaps vs. Chattanooga (8/31)
- Also appeared in the Vanderbilt game (11/30)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Chose Tennessee over 25 other Division I offers, including four SEC programs
- Favorite movie is Elf
- Favorite musical artist is 21 Savage
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CAREER STATS

Games Played/Started: 2025: 3/3; 2024: 4/0
Career: 7/3



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CAREER

- Versatile defensive back who has earned a spot in the rotation at corner as a true freshman
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2025 and flashed during spring practice
- Thrust into a starting role as a true freshman and has thrived with nine tackles, three pass breakups and one interception during his debut season
- Played in three career games with two starts

2025

- Leads all SEC freshmen and ranks tied for fourth in the conference with four passes defended (1 INT, 3 PBUs) this season
- Posted three tackles in his SEC debut vs. #6 Georgia (9/13) and snagged his first-career interception at the end of the first half, returning it 38 yards
- Earned his first-career start at cornerback in the home opener vs. ETSU (9/6) and finished the game with two tackles and one pass breakup
- Made his collegiate debut in the season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30), playing 61 defensive snaps while finishing with four tackles and two pass breakups, which led all FBS freshman in Week 1

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Arrived at Tennessee as a three-star prospect by all major recruiting services
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	4 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Interceptions	1 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Passes Defended	2 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PD	High Tk
2025	3/2	6	3	9	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	4	4-SU
Career	3/2	6	3	9	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	4	4-SU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	3-1-4, 2 pd
*ETSU	1-1-2, 1 pd
*Georgia	2-1-3, 1 int, 1 pd

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Tall, nimble playmaker on the defensive side of the ball who has transformed his body since arriving at Tennessee in December 2022
- Was a consistent special teams contributor in 2024 after redshirting as a true freshman in 2023
- Expected to have a more consistent role in the defensive line rotation in 2025
- Two-time SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll selection
- Played in 16 career games

2025

- Recorded three total tackles during blowout victory over ETSU (9/6)
- Played a key role on the defensive line in season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30), totaling three tackles with one TFL and a strip sack that resulted in a Colton Hood scoop and score in the first quarter

2024

- Played in all 13 games, primarily on the field goal/PAT unit while also seeing time as a reserve defensive lineman
- Totaled three tackles and half a tackle for loss
- Tallied one tackle in CFP First Round game at No. 6 Ohio State (12/21)
- Played a season high 15 defensive snaps and posted one tackle in win over Kent State (9/14)
- Recorded half a TFL in win over No. 24 NC State (9/7), which was the first tackle of his career

NOTABLE

- Majoring in kinesiology
- Lengthy defensive standout who played multiple roles for Greenbrier High School just north of Nashville
- Played on both sides of the ball for the Bobcats and had a knack for the ball, recovering and forcing four fumbles along with a blocked field goal
- Also competed in track and field, throwing shot put and discus while running in the 110m hurdles and the 4x100 relay at Greenbrier
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	3 (2x), last vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Tackles For Loss	1.0 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Sacks	1.0 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Forced Fumbles	1.0 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2024	13/0	0	3	3	0-0	0.5-0	0	0	0	0	2-NCSU
2025	3/0	1	5	6	1-7	1-7	1	0	0	0	3-2x
Career	16/0	1	8	9	1-7	1.5-7	1	0	0	0	3-2x

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	1-2-3, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff
ETSU	0-3-3
Georgia	0-0-0

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-0-0
vs. NC State	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
Kent State	0-1-1
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0
Florida	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0
UTEP	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0
at Ohio State	0-1-1



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 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 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Talented ambidextrous punter out of Australia in his fourth year with the program and third as the starting punter and holder
- Enrolled at UT in the fall of 2022 and has two years of eligibility remaining, including the 2025 season
- A field position weapon with 49 career punts downed inside the 20-yard line and 21 career boots of 50-plus yards
- Averages 43.3 yards per punt and is the Tennessee single-game punting average record holder (53.2)
- Three-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll
- Played in 29 career games

2025

- Punted three times in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13) for 145 yards with a long of 57 and two downed inside the 20
- Punted just once in lopsided win vs. ETSU (9/6), a 36-yard boot that was downed inside the 20
- Punted four times for 175 yards in season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30), landing three punts inside the 20 with a long of 56 yards

2024

- Tennessee's starting punter and holder in all 13 contests
- Led the nation and SEC in percentage of punts downed inside the 10-yard line as 15 of his 53 punts landed inside the mark for 28.3 percent
- Averaged 43.9 yards per punt (53 for 2,329) with 21 inside the 20-yard line and 10 of 50 or more yards
- Punted seven times for 286 yards for a 40.9 average in the frigid cold of Tennessee's CFP First Round Game at #6 Ohio State (12/21), including a long of 53 yards
- Knocked his lone punt at Vanderbilt (11/30) for 36 yards which was downed inside the 20
- Punted six times for 281 yards (46.8 avg) vs. UTEP (11/23) with three downed inside the 5-yard line and two kicks of 50-plus yards
- 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)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- At Age 26, is the oldest player on the team
- 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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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	TB	FC	I20	50+	Blk	Long
2022										
2023	13	55	2337	42.5	3	24	22	9	0	71-ALA
2024	13	53	2329	43.9	4	15	21	10	0	57-OU
2025	3	8	356	44.5	0	4	6	2	0	57-UGA
Career	29	116	5022	43.3	7	43	49	21	0	71-ALA

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Punting
vs. Syracuse	4-175-43.8, Lg 56, 3 I20, 1 50+
ETSU	1-36-36.0, Lg 36, 1 I20
Georgia	3-145-48.3, Lg 57, 2 I20

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+
UTEP	6-281-46.8, Lg 52, 3 I20, 2 50+
at Vanderbilt	1-36-36.0, Lg 36, 1 I20
at Ohio State	7-286-40.9, Lg 53, 1 I20

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



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Freshman All-SEC Team
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Highly touted, lengthy defensive end with elite closing speed and explosive athleticism off the edge
- Earned Freshman All-SEC honors in 2024 and is expected to take on a larger role in UT's LEO rotation in 2025
- Played in 14 games

2025

- Made a career-best four tackles with a TFL and half a sack in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Notched two tackles and added a QB hurry in home opener vs. ETSU (9/6)
- Recorded a TFL and a pass breakup in UT's season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Flashed his athleticism in his debut season and made a major impact on special teams
- Earned Freshman All-SEC honors as an edge rusher and appeared in 11 games
- Registered three total tackles, 1.5 tackles for loss, one blocked punt and a touchdown as a rookie
- Totaled two tackles with a half tackle for loss in Tennessee's win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- In his collegiate debut, blocked a punt and returned it 49 yards for a touchdown against Chattanooga (8/31)
- Also recorded one TFL in the win over UTC on eight snaps

NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- A five-star prospect and the No. 1 edge rusher in the country according to On3 and 247Sports
- Selected to the 2024 Under Armour All-America Game
- Played basketball for Vestavia Hills where he nearly averaged a double-double (9.2 ppg, 8.1 rpg) as a junior and helped the Rebels reach the 2023 Class 7A Northwest Regional Final
- Favorite movie is Batman
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	4 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Tackles For Loss	1.0 (3x), last vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Sacks	0.5 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Quarterback Hurries	1 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Passed Defended	1 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Blocked Punts	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Touchdowns	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	Int	High	Tk
2024	11/0	1	2	3	0-0	1.5-4	0	0	0	0	0	2-NCSU
2025	3/0	2	5	7	0.5-2	2.0-8	0	0	1	0	4-UGA	
Career	14/0	3	7	10	0.5-2	3.5-12	0	0	1	0	4-UGA	

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 pd
ETSU	1-1-2, 1 qbh
Georgia	0-4-4, 1 tfl, 0.5s

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 blk, 1 td
vs. NC State	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0
Florida	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-0-0

at Georgia	0-0-0
UTEP	0-0-0
at Ohio State	0-0-0



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Shaun Alexander Freshman of the Year Award Watch List
- 2025 On3 True Freshman Preseason All-America Team

CAREER

- An elite, blue-chip offensive tackle considered the best in America at his position who boasts a rare combination of explosiveness, size and nimble movement
- Enrolled at UT in January 2025 and went through spring practice, making his presence known at tackle
- Consensus five-star prospect who was rated the No. 1 offensive tackle by ESPN and Rivals and ranked No. 2 by On3 and No. 3 by 247Sports
- In terms of overall ranking at all positions, considered No. 6 by Rivals, No. 5 by ESPN, No. 11 by 247Sports and No. 11 by On3
- The consensus No. 1 overall prospect in the state of North Carolina by all services
- The 2023 North Carolina Gatorade Player of the Year who led Providence Day School to three straight NCISAA State Championships
- A 2024 finalist for Mr. Football in the state of North Carolina by the Charlotte Observer and News & Observer of Raleigh
- As a senior, graded at 93 percent and did not allow a sack en route to another state title game
- Member of the 247Sports 2025 Freaks List and a two-time first-team all-state selection
- Selected as a 2023 MaxPreps Second-Team All-American, and in 2022 was named to the MaxPreps Sophomore All-America Team
- Played in the Navy All-American Bowl in January 2025 on NBC

2025

- Has not seen action yet this season due to injury

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sociology
- Also played basketball and was a two-time state qualifier in the shot put and discus throw
- Owns personal-bests of 53-3.5 in the shot and 143-1 in the discus
- Started playing football at the age of seven
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WILLIAM SATTERWHITE
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Barberton, Ohio

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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Talented young offensive lineman who will be in the mix at center in 2025 after playing three games and redshirting as a true freshman in 2024
- Had a solid spring working as the primary center
- Named a 2024 SEC Academic Honor Roll selection
- Seen action on 88 offensive snaps, allowing zero pressures in his career
- Played in five career games

2025

- Played 40 snaps at center in blowout win vs. ETSU (9/6), helping the Vols roll up 717 yards of total offense and set the modern era scoring record with 72 points

- Played three snaps at center in UT's season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Redshirted as a true freshman
- Saw action in three games during his debut season on Rocky Top, playing 45 total offensive snaps at center
- Played 16 snaps and did not allow any quarterback pressures in Week 3 win over Kent State (9/14)
- Got in late in win over #24 NC State (9/7), playing six clean snaps
- Made his collegiate debut and played a season-high 23 offensive snaps without allowing a pressure in season-opening victory over Chattanooga (8/31)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in finance
- Nickname is "Satt"
- Four-star recruit by 247Sports, ESPN and Rivals
- Rated a top-200 player nationally according to ESPN (No. 156) and Rivals (No. 184)
- Also played basketball in high school
- Favorite hobbies outside of football include cooking and building Lego jets
- Favorite musical artist is Drake
- LeBron James has been his biggest sports influence, and is from the same city he lived in
- Chose Tennessee over receiving 30 other Division I offers
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CAREER STATS

Games Played/Started: 2025: 2/0; 2024: 3/0
Career: 5/0



TRAVIS SMITH JR.
WR • 6-3 • 210 • Fr.
Atlanta, Ga.

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CAREER

- Big, fast, powerful receiver out of Atlanta's Westlake High School who has had a strong preseason and will be in the mix for early playing time at receiver
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2025 and participated in spring practice
- A consensus four-star prospect by all major recruiting services and the No. 6 player from the state of Georgia according to On3
- Rated the No. 19 player in Georgia and No. 18 receiver nationally by 247Sports
- The No. 9 wideout in the nation according to On3
- Atlanta Journal-Constitution All-Metro pick in 2023
- GHSA Region 2 6A 2024 All-Region selection
- Caught 64 passes for 1,320 yards and 15 touchdowns as a senior in 2024
- Played in three career games

2025

- Made his first two career receptions for 20 yards in home opener vs. ETSU (9/6)
- Made his Tennessee debut in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Was invited to play in the 2025 Polynesian Bowl
- A two-sport star who also competed in basketball
- Chose Tennessee over 33 other Division I offers, including 10 SEC programs
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CAREER HIGHS

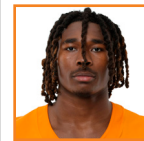
Receptions	2 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Receiving Yards	20 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Long Reception	13 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25

CAREER STATS

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2025	3/0	2	20	10.0	10.0	0	13-ETSU	20-ETSU
Career	3/0	2	20	10.0	10.0	0	13-ETSU	20-ETSU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Syracuse	0-0-0
ETSU	2-20-0, 13
Georgia	0-0-0



EDWIN SPILLMAN
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Nashville, Tenn.

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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Physical and athletic linebacker with all the tools who saw action in four games as a true freshman and earned a redshirt
- Has had an impressive preseason camp and is expected to be a major contributor at linebacker for the Vols in 2025
- Has 20 tackles, one TFL and one sack in his career
- Played in seven career games

2025

- Tied his career-high with six tackles in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Registered two tackles and a QB hurry in blowout win vs. ETSU (9/6)
- Recorded a career-best six tackles with one TFL and one sack in season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Rounded out his freshman campaign in UT's CFP First Round matchup at #6 Ohio State (12/21), playing a season-high 25 defensive snaps and posting one solo tackle
- Tallied a pair of stops in the regular season finale at Vanderbilt (11/30)
- Made SEC debut in UT's dominant defensive effort at #15 Oklahoma (9/21) and logged one solo tackle
- Made his collegiate debut vs. Kent State (9/14) and made a pair of assisted tackles

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Born in Freetown, Sierra Leone in West Africa
- Was adopted and came to the United States in 2013, arriving in Nashville on Nov. 25, 2013
- Brother, Nate Spillman, was a WR for the Vols in 2023 and 2024 before transferring to Charlotte
- Consensus four-star prospect and top-10 player from the state of Tennessee by all major recruiting services
- Was coached by former NFL Pro Bowlers Trent Dilfer and Kevin Mawae at Lipscomb Academy
- Chose Tennessee over 33 other Division I offers, including 10 SEC programs
- Favorite movie is The Green Mile
- Favorite TV shows are The Office and Kickin' It
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	6 (2x), last vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Tackles For Loss	1.0 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Sacks	1.0 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Quarterback Hurries	1 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	Int	High Tk
2024	4/0	3	3	6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-2x
2025	3/0	4	10	14	1-0-7	1-0-7	0	0	1	0	6-2x
Career	7/0	7	13	20	1-0-7	1-0-7	0	0	1	0	6-2x

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T Other
vs. Syracuse	3-3-6, 1 tfl, 1 s
ETSU	0-2-2, 1 qbh
Georgia	1-5-6

2024 Opp.	U-A-T Other
Kent State	0-2-2

at Oklahoma	1-0-1
at Vanderbilt	1-1-2
at Ohio State	1-0-1



BRAYLON STALEY
WR • 6-0 • 190 • R-Fr.
Aiken, S.C.

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CAREER HONORS

- SEC Freshman of the Week (vs. Syracuse, 9/1/25)
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Speedy wide receiver earned a redshirt during his true freshman season
- Emerging as big-play threat in 2025 at slot receiver
- January 2024 early enrollee who participated in bowl practices and spring practice at Tennessee
- Has 21 receptions for 252 yards (12.0 avg) and two touchdowns in his career
- Played in seven career games with three starts

2025

- Had a career-best nine catches for 97 yards and a touchdown in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13), including a 32-yard scoring grab to give the Vols the lead early in the fourth quarter
- Logged five catches in 72-17 win over ETSU (9/6), totaling 39 yards
- Tabbed the SEC Freshman of the Week after reeling in four catches for 95 yards and a touchdown in his first-career start vs. Syracuse (8/30)
- Hauled in a 73-yard TD grab in the second quarter that was the longest reception by any SEC player in Week 1

2024

- Redshirted after playing in three games as a true freshman
- Caught three passes for 21 yards
- Saw action in the CFP First Round game at #6 Ohio State (12/21), making a career-high two catches for 11 yards
- Recorded his first-career catch with a 10-yard reception vs. UTEP (11/23)
- Also appeared in games against Kent State (9/14) and Mississippi State (11/9)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Father was a junior college football All-American cornerback at Georgia Military College in 2001 and 2002 who then played at Mississippi State under Sylvester Croom
- A consensus four-star recruit who was rated as the No. 2 wide receiver in the state of South Carolina by On3 and 247Sports
- Tabbed a top-300 player nationally according to On3 (No. 75), 247Sports (No. 78) and ESPN (No. 174)
- Favorite hobbies outside of football include playing video games, running track and playing baseball
- Excelled in track and field, capturing three South Carolina Class 4A state titles (two in the triple jump and one in the 200-meter dash)
- The Aiken High School record holder in the 200-meter dash (21.6) and the triple jump (48-5), winning state titles in both events as a junior. Also won a state title in the triple jump as a sophomore
- Chose Tennessee over 25 other Division I offers
- Favorite food is chicken alfredo
- Favorite musical artist is Lil Baby
- Played the drums at church
- Favorite TV show is Ballers
- Aspires to become a coach one day
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CAREER HIGHS

Receptions	9 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Receiving Yards	97 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Long Reception	73 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Receiving TDs	1 (2x), last vs. Georgia, 9/13/25

CAREER STATS

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2024	4/0	3	21	7.0	5.2	0	10-UTEP	11-OSU
2025	3/3	18	231	12.8	77.0	2	73-SU	97-UGA
Career	7/3	21	252	12.0	36.0	2	73-SU	97-UGA

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*vs. Syracuse	4-95-1, 73
*ETSU	5-39-0, 13
*Georgia	9-97-1, 32

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Kent State	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-0-0
UTEP	1-10-0, 10
at Ohio State	2-11-0, 7

* - denotes started



JEREMIAH TELANDER
LB • 6-2 • 235 • Jr.
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Last name pronounced TEE-lan-dur

CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Physical linebacker with a nose for the ball who stepped into a starting role at MLB during the 2024 campaign and will be counted on again in 2025
- Selected by his teammates as a member of the 2025 Tennessee football's leadership council
- Has seen consistent development throughout his career, including a rookie season in which he got better every single week and was the leading freshman tackler on the squad
- 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
- Two-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll who was also selected to the 2024-25 VOLEaders Academy
- Totaled 91 tackles, seven tackles for loss, three fumble recoveries and one interception
- Played in 29 career games with 11 starts

2025

- Had seven tackles in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Finished season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30) with four tackles and one TFL and recorded his first-career interception on a tipped pass early in the third quarter that set up a UT touchdown

2024

- Worked his way into starting role at middle linebacker and was a consistent performer
- Played in all 13 games and started the final eight contests of his sophomore campaign as the Vols earned their first berth to the College Football Playoff
- Ranked fourth on the squad with 43 total tackles and led the team with three fumble recoveries
- Capped the season leading the Vols with a career-high 10 total tackles on 47 snaps in CFP First Round matchup at #6 Ohio State (12/21)
- 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
- A four-star recruit by ESPN and rated as the No. 11 linebacker in the country and the No. 27 player in the state of Georgia by ESPN
- Held offers from more than 25 Division I schools
- 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
- Avid bowler with a high score of 242 who owns his own ball
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	10 at Ohio State, 12/21/24
Tackles For Loss	1.0 (5x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Sacks	0.5 vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
QB Hurries	1 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Passes Defended	1 (3x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Interceptions	1 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Fumble Recoveries	1 (3x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	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	13/8	20	23	43	0.5-1	3.5-4	0	3	1	0	10-OSU
2025	3/3	6	7	13	0-0	1.0-1	0	0	1	1	7-UGA
Career	29/11	41	50	91	0.5-1	7.0-9	0	3	3	1	10-OSU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	3-1-4, 1 tfl, 1 pd, 1 int
*ETSU	1-1-2
*Georgia	2-5-7

2024 Opp.	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
*UTEP	1-0-1, 1 qbh
*at Vanderbilt	0-0-0
*at Ohio State	7-3-10, 1 tfl

2023 Opp.	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. Iowa	3-2-5, 1 tfl

* - denotes started



STAR THOMAS

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CAREER HONORS

- 2023 All-Conference USA Second Team
- 2021 KJCCC All-Conference First Team

CAREER

- Experienced, versatile graduate transfer running back who arrived on Rocky Top with one year of eligibility remaining
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2025 and went through spring practice
- The 2025 campaign is his sixth year of college football after earning an extra year of eligibility following the NCAA junior college ruling
- The starting running back at Duke during the 2024 season after spending two seasons at New Mexico State (2022-23) and two years at Coffeyville Community College in Kansas (2020-21)
- In 43 career FBS games, has logged 2,265 yards on 466 carries (5.4 ypc) with 19 rushing touchdowns
- Also caught 55 passes for 511 yards and seven receiving scores in FBS contests
- Has four 100-yard rushing games at the FBS level
- Owns a business degree from Coffeyville CC (May 2022) and a master's degree in individual studies from New Mexico State (May 2024)
- Played in 43 career games at the FBS level (3 at UT, 28 at NMSU, 12 at Duke) with 14 starts (4 at NMSU, 10 at Duke)

2025

- UT's leading rusher for the second week in a row, going for 60 yards on nine carries in SEC opener against #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Was team's leading rusher in home opener vs. ETSU (9/6), posting 12 carries for 69 yards and a career-best three rushing touchdowns, all in the first half
- Made his Tennessee debut in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30), finishing with a team-high 92 yards on 12 carries with a 7-yard receiving touchdown

2024 (DUKE)

- Emerged as the starting running back in the final 10 games of the regular season
- Ranked 11th in the ACC in rushing, producing 871 yards on 213 carries with seven touchdowns
- Averaged 72.6 yards rushing per game
- Totaled 1,024 all-purpose yards as he also caught 20 passes for 153 yards and one score
- One of only 10 players in the ACC with over 800 yards rushing and 100 yards receiving
- Appeared in all 12 regular season contests and did not play in the TaxSlayer Gator Bowl vs. Ole Miss after entering the portal
- Logged three straight 100-yard rushing games from Sept. 14-28
- Rushed for a season-high 166 yards on 30 carries with one score in comeback win over rival North Carolina (9/28) and was named ACC Running Back of the Week for his efforts
- Accounted for a season-best 211 yards of total offense against the Tar Heels, also catching two passes for 45 yards, including a 29-yard TD reception
- Registered a season-high two rushing scores to go along with 111 yards on 17 carries against Middle Tennessee (9/21)
- A week earlier, posted 122 rushing yards on 22 carries in start vs. UConn (9/14)
- Also had rushing touchdowns in games vs. Virginia Tech (11/23) and Wake Forest (11/30)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in retail and merchandising management
- Two-sport standout who also played basketball in high school
- Graduate with a business degree from Coffeyville CC (May 2022) and a master's degree in individual studies from New Mexico State (May 2024)
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CAREER HIGHS

Rushes	30 vs. North Carolina, 9/28/24**
Rushing Yards	166 vs. North Carolina, 9/28/24**
Long Rush	57 vs. Hawaii, 9/24/23*
Rushing TDs	3 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
Receptions	5 at Wake Forest, 11/30/24**
Receiving Yards	50 at UTEP, 9/10/22*
Long Reception	44 at UTEP, 9/10/22*
Receiving TDs	1 (7x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

* - at New Mexico State

** - at Duke

CAREER STATS

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2022	13/1	108	520	4.8	40.0	5	57-HAW	144-HAW
2023	15/3	112	653	5.8	43.5	4	40-2x	96-WIU
2024	12/10	213	871	4.0	72.6	7	44-FSU	166-UNC
2025	3/0	33	221	6.7	73.7	3	27-UGA	92-SU
at NMS	28/4	220	1173	5.3	41.9	9	57-HAW	144-HAW
at DUKE	12/10	213	871	4.1	72.6	7	44-FSU	166-UNC
at UT	3/0	33	221	6.7	73.7	3	27-UGA	92-SU
Career	43/14	466	2265	5.4	62.7	19	57-HAW	166-UNC

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2022	13/1	12	151	12.6	11.6	3	44-UTEP	50-UTEP
2023	15/3	22	200	9.1	13.3	2	21-HAW	35-HAW
2024	12/10	20	153	7.65	12.8	1	29-UNC	45-UNC
2025	3/0	1	7	7.0	2.3	1	7-SU	7-SU
at NMS	28/4	34	351	10.3	12.5	5	44-UTEP	50-UTEP
at DUKE	12/10	20	153	7.65	12.8	1	29-UNC	45-UNC
at UT	3/0	1	7	7.0	2.3	1	7-SU	7-SU
Career	43/14	55	511	8.3	9.2	7	44-UTEP	50-UTEP

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Syracuse	12-92-0, 22	1-7-1, 7
ETSU	12-69-3, 19	0-0-0
Georgia	9-60-0, 27	0-0-0

2024 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Elon	13-23-0, 12	1-17-0, 17
at Northwestern	17-58-0, 11	0-0-0
*UConn	22-122-0, 22	1-24-0, 24
*at MTSU	17-111-2, 25	0-0-0
*North Carolina	30-166-1, 19	2-45-1, 29
*at Georgia Tech	14-48-0, 20	4-7-0, 4
*Florida State	21-88-1, 44	0-0-0
*SMU	17-65-1, 11	2-11-6
*at Miami	12-25-0, 7	0-0-0
*at NC State	17-36-0, 11	4-7-0, 4
*Virginia Tech	19-63-1, 33	1-15-0, 15
*at Wake Forest	14-66-1, 20	5-27-0, 9
vs. Ole Miss	DNP	DNP

2023 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
UMass	8-42-0, 9	2-20-0, 18
Western Illinois	12-96-2, 25	3-32-0, 13
*at Liberty	4-3-0, 1	2-26-0, 14
*at New Mexico	10-54-1, 15	0-0-0
at Hawaii	9-38-0, 15	4-35-1, 21
FIU	8-25-1, 13	2-17-0, 11
Sam Houston	9-21-0, 5	0-0-0
at UTEP	7-42-0, 14	0-0-0
*at La Tech	10-88-0, 40	2-17-0
MTSU	4-21-0, 12	1-13-0, 13
at WKU	7-85-0, 40	0-0-0, 0
at Auburn	7-67-0, 31	1-17-1, 17
Jax State	8-22-0, 11	3-23-0, 13
at Liberty	8-39-0, 14	1-6-0, 0
vs. Fresno State	1-10-0, 10	1-6-0, 6

2022 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Nevada	5-9-0, 5	1-2-0, 2
at Minnesota	3-7-0, 4	1-1-0, 1
at UTEP	11-47-0, 11	2-50-0, 44
at Wisconsin	9-46-0, 22	0-0-0
Hawaii	11-144-1, 57	1-8-0, 8
FIU	9-19-1, 5	0-0-0, 0
New Mexico	13-54-1, 37	1-1-0, 0
at UMass	7-23-0, 7	1-2-0, 0
Lamar	5-21-0, 9	1-30-1, 30
at Missouri	9-35-1, 12	0-0-0, 0
at Liberty	7-11-0, 8	1-39-1, 39
*Valparaiso	10-56-1, 23	1-6-0, 6
vs. Bowling Green	9-48-0, 13	2-18-1, 15

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 All-SEC Third Team (Coaches)
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Strong-legged, homegrown placekicker who is the Vols' primary kickoff specialist for the third straight season
- Averages 63.0 yards per kickoff (188 for 11,843) with 149 touchbacks
- Has connected on six PATs and one field goal during his college career
- Two-time SEC Academic Honor Roll member
- Played in 30 career games

2025

- Is tied for first in the SEC and tied third nationally with 22 touchbacks
- Kicked off seven times in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13) for 455 yards and six touchbacks
- Booted eight touchbacks on nine kickoff attempts for 546 yards, while connecting on a career-best three PATs in home opener vs. ETSU (9/6)
- Kicked off eight times with eight touchbacks in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30), totaling 520 yards for an average of 65.0

2024

- Selected to the Coaches All-SEC Third Team in his second straight year as the starting kickoff specialist
- Participated in all 13 games
- Ranked second in the SEC and fifth in the FBS with 68 touchbacks and third in the SEC and eighth in the FBS in touchback percentage (82.9)
- Averaged 63.8 yards per kickoff, which ranked fourth in the SEC
- Seven of his 13 games had a 65.0 yard average
- Knocked three touchbacks on seven kickoffs for 422 yards at Vanderbilt (11/30)
- Booted nine touchbacks on nine kickoffs, totaling 585 yards vs. UTEP (11/23)
- 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
- Nickname is "Turbo"
- Mother is a UT graduate
- Earned Ray Guy Prokicker.com All-America honors and was tabbed a Mr. Football Kicker of the Year finalist after a strong senior season at Knoxville Catholic High School
- Two of his toes are conjoined
- Favorite movie is Step Brothers
- Favorite musical artist is Zach Bryan
- Favorite food is sushi
- X: @jturby93 | IG: @jturby33

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	3 vs. ETSU, 9/6/25
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
Touchbacks	9 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24

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	13	0	0	-	2-2	2	-	-	-	-	-
2025	3	-	-	-	3-3	3	-	-	-	-	-
Career	30	1	1	100	6-6	9	-	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	13	82	5228	63.8	68	2
2025	3	24	1521	63.4	22	0
Totals	30	188	11843	63.0	149	8

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	FGs, PATs, Pts
vs. Syracuse	0-0, 0-0
ETSU	0-0, 3-3
Georgia	0-0, 0-0

2025 Opp.	Kickoffs, YDs, AVG, TB
vs. Syracuse	8-520-65.0, 8 tb
ETSU	9-546-60.7, 8 tb
Georgia	7-455-65.0, 6 tb

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
UTEP	0-0, 0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-0, 0-0
at Ohio State	0-0, 0-0

2024 Opp.	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
UTEP	9-585-65.0, 9 tb
at Vanderbilt	7-422-60.3, 3 tb
at Ohio State	4-246-61.5, 2 tb

2023 Opp.	FGs, PATs, 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.	Kickoffs, 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

2022 Opp.	Kickoffs, YDs, AVG, TB
Ball State	DNP
Pittsburgh	DNP
Akron	DNP
Florida	DNP
LSU	DNP
Alabama	DNP
UT-Martin	1-65-65.0, 1 tb
Kentucky	DNP
Georgia	DNP
Missouri	DNP
South Carolina	DNP
Vanderbilt	DNP
Clemson	DNP



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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
- An important leadership piece of the defense, entering his third year with the program and second as a starter
- Thrust into starting action during the final three games of 2023
- Enrolled at Tennessee in June 2022 after a solid 2022 spring at Ohio State
- Signed with the Buckeyes after a standout prep career at Ensworth School
- Totaled 81 tackles, four tackles for loss, two interceptions and six pass breakups
- Played in 44 career games (40 at UT, 4 at OSU) and has made 19 career starts (all at UT)

2025

- In his 40th game with the Vols, recorded a career-best 10 tackles in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Collected five total tackles in season-opening victory over Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- A veteran presence and starter at safety for all 13 games
- Tallied 37 tackles, 1.5 tackles for loss, one interception and three pass breakups
- Recorded three tackles in victory at Vanderbilt (11/30) in regular-season finale
- Made two tackles with one TFL in a shutout win over UTEP (11/23)

- 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
- Member of the 2025 Tennessee Football Leadership Council
- Was ranked the No. 4 overall player in the state of Tennessee by the 247Sports Composite and the No. 9 safety in the country
- Both 247Sports and Rivals ranked him among the top 200 overall prospects in America
- Has three brothers, Antonio Jr., James and Alijah, and one sister, Katche
- X: @KingATIII | IG: returnofdos

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	10 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
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	AT	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	13/13	20	17	37	0-0	1-5-3	0	0	4	1	6-UF
2025	3/3	10	5	15	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	10-UGA
at OSU	4/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	-
at UT	40/19	50	31	81	0-0	4-6	0	0	6	2	10-UGA
Career	44/19	50	31	81	0-0	4-6	0	0	6	2	10-UGA

* - at Ohio State

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	4-1-5
*ETSU	0-0-0
*Georgia	6-4-10

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
*UTEP	1-1-2, 1 tfl
*at Vanderbilt	1-2-3
*at Ohio State	2-0-2

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. Iowa 3-0-3, 1 int, 2 pd

2022 Opp.	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

* - denotes started



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Last name is pronounced oo-MAH-rawf (goes by Sham)

CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Tall, long and athletic offensive lineman with a chance to earn a larger role in the offensive line rotation in 2025
- Saw an increased role on special teams and as a reserve offensive guard in 2024 after appearing in four games and redshirting as a true freshman in 2023
- Two-time Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll selection
- Early enrollee who arrived in December 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices and then spring practice
- Seen action in 279 snaps, allowing just five pressures
- Played in 17 career games with three starts

2025

- Earned another start at left guard in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13), playing all 70 offensive snaps without allowing a pressure as UT piled up 41 points and 496 yards of total offense
- Started at left guard for the second consecutive game, helping the Vols roll up 717 yards of total offense and set the modern era scoring record with 72 points in win vs. ETSU (9/6)
- Made his first-career start (at LG) in season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30), helping the Vols roll up 493 yards of total offense and 246 yards rushing

2024

- Appeared in 10 games as a reserve offensive lineman, playing 66 total offensive snaps at guard
- Was also a mainstay on UT's field goal/PAT unit
- Did not allow a pressure while playing 12 offensive snaps at guard in win over UTEP (11/23)
- Played nine snaps at guard without allowing a pressure in Homecoming win vs. Mississippi State (11/9)

- Played 16 snaps at guard in win against Kent State (9/14)
- Played six clean snaps late in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Saw action on a season-high 23 snaps in season-opening victory over Chattanooga (8/31)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in hospitality and tourism management with a minor in business administration
- Tabbed as a four-star recruit by 247Sports and ESPN
- Rated the No. 113 overall player in the nation and the No. 10 prospect in the state of Georgia by 247Sports
- Named a 2023 High School All-American by the All-American Bowl and was selected to play in the 2023 All-American Bowl at the Alamodome in San Antonio
- Held offers from more than 30 Division I programs
- Threw shot put for Denmark High's track and field team
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CAREER STATS

Games Played/Started: 2025: 3/3; 2024: 10/0; 2023: 4/0
Career: 17/3



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CAREER

- Talented, nimble defensive tackle prospect from the Midstate region
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2025, went through spring practice and is expected to make an impact in the defensive interior as a true freshman
- A consensus four-star prospect and top 200 player in the country for the 2025 recruiting cycle according to On3, 247Sports and ESPN
- A top 10 recruit from Tennessee by all services, rated as high as No. 2 in the state by ESPN
- The No. 10 defensive tackle and No. 153 overall prospect in the nation according to ESPN
- On3 tabbed him No. 201 nationally, No. 20 at his position and No. 5 in the Volunteer State
- Played in three games

2025

- Recorded his first-career tackle in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Saw action against ETSU (9/6) in UT's home-opener
- Made his Tennessee debut in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in journalism and electronic media
- One of three finalists for the 2024 Tennessee Titans Mr. Football Award for class D2-AAA after leading Nashville's Ensworth School to an undefeated regular season and a playoff berth reaching the state semifinals to cap his high school career
- As a junior, racked up 35 tackles, seven tackles for loss and four forced fumbles
- Tabbed to The Tennessean's All-Midstate Large Class first-team defense in 2023
- Posted 25 tackles and 10 TFLs as a sophomore at Ensworth
- Multi-sport athlete who also played basketball and competed in track & field throwing events
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CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2025	3/0	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-UGA
Career	3/0	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-UGA

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	0-0-0
ETSU	0-0-0
Georgia	0-1-1



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CAREER

- Defensive tackle in his second season with the Vols after transferring from Sierra College in Northern California
- Consensus three-star junior college prospect and rated among the top JUCO players in California by multiple outlets
- Played two seasons at Sierra, totaling 45 tackles, 11 tackles for loss and 3.5 sacks while helping the Wolverines reach the 2023 NorCal Junior College playoffs
- Earned 2023 NorCal All-State honors and All-NorCal Conference recognition after a standout sophomore season with 39 tackles, 10.5 TFLs, 3.5 sacks, two forced fumbles, one fumble recovery and three pass breakups
- Enrolled at Tennessee in the summer of 2024
- Played in six career games at FBS level

2025

- Made his SEC debut vs. #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Saw action in the Vols' blowout win against ETSU (9/6)
- Tallied two tackles in season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Saw action in three games during his debut season at Tennessee in 2024, recording three total tackles, including two in a shutout victory over Kent State
- Made Tennessee debut vs. Chattanooga (8/31), recording one tackle

NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- Favorite movie is Zombieland
- Favorite TV show is Martin
- Favorite food is pasta
- Favorite musical artist is Juice WRLD
- Has seven siblings
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles 2 (2x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2024	3/0	0	3	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-KSU
2025	3/0	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-SU
Career	6/0	2	3	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-2x

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	2-0-2
ETSU	0-0-0
Georgia	0-0-0

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-1-1
Kent State	0-2-2
UTEP	0-0-0



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Extremely talented offensive tackle prospect with great size and length as well as high-level physical tools

- Was a reserve tackle in his debut season who is poised for a bigger role within UT's offensive line unit in 2025
- Seen action on 81 offensive snaps
- Played in eight career games

2025

- Saw action on 41 snaps in home opener vs. ETSU (9/6), helping the Vols roll up 717 yards of total offense and set the modern era scoring record with 72 points
- Played seven special teams snaps in the Vols' season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Played 40 offensive snaps and did not allow a pressure or commit a penalty
- Also blocked for Tennessee's field goal and PAT units
- Rounded out his rookie campaign in UT's CFP First Round matchup at #6 Ohio State (12/21) as a member of the FG/PAT unit
- Made SEC debut vs. Mississippi State (11/9)
- Saw action on 15 offensive snaps at right tackle vs. Kent State (9/14)
- Made collegiate debut in season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31), playing a season-high 17 snaps at left tackle

NOTABLE

- Majoring in kinesiology
- Rated a four-star recruit by all major recruiting services
- A consensus top-300 player nationally and a top-100 prospect according to ESPN (No. 73) and 247Sports (No. 80)
- Named a 2023 High School All-American and was invited to play in the 2024 All-American Bowl in San Antonio
- Also participated in the 2024 Polynesian Bowl in Honolulu
- Chose Tennessee over 31 other Division I offers, including eight SEC programs
- Played varsity basketball and was on the track and field team, throwing shot put and discus
- Favorite hobbies outside of football include detailing cars and cooking
- Enjoys eating any kind of pasta and salmon
- Favorite movie is Wolf of Wall Street
- Favorite musical artist is LUCKI
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CAREER STATS

Games Played/Started: 2025: 3/0; 2024: 5/0
Career: 8/0



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- An athletic defensive lineman who is in his third season with the program in 2025
- Expected to be a major contributor as part of the defensive line rotation in 2025 and has tremendous potential
- A two-time SEC Academic Honor Roll member
- Played in 15 games

2025

- Notched two tackles in SEC opener against #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Posted a career-best six tackles in season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Saw action in all 13 games as a reserve on the defensive line and on special teams
- Tallied two total tackles on the year

- Recorded his first career tackle versus UTEP (11/23)
- Played a season-high 13 snaps on the defensive line against Kent State (9/14)
- Played six snaps along the defensive line in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made his Tennessee debut in season opener against Chattanooga (8/31), playing eight snaps on the defensive line

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- A four-star prospect by On3
- Ranked as the No. 108 overall player in the country, the No. 13 rated defensive lineman and the No. 7 player in the state of Georgia by On3
- Helped lead New Manchester High School to consecutive Georgia Class 5A state playoff appearances during his sophomore and junior seasons, including a Region 6-5A title in 2020
- Finished his senior season with 61 total tackles, 16 tackles for loss and seven sacks
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles 6 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2023											
2024	13/0	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-2x
2025	2/0	4	4	8	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	6-SU
Career	15/0	4	6	10	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	6-SU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	4-2-6
ETSU	DNP - Injury
Georgia	0-2-2

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-0-0
vs. NC State	0-0-0
Kent State	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0
Florida	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0
UTEP	0-1-1
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0
at Ohio State	0-1-1



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First name pronounced tie-REE

CAREER

- Veteran defensive lineman with a notable pass-rushing ability in his fourth and final season with the program
- Expected to be a key contributor in 2025 as one of the team's most experienced defensive linemen
- Has registered 52 total tackles, 14.0 tackles for loss of 70 yards, seven sacks for a loss of 50 yards, one forced fumble and a safety
- Arrived at Tennessee in December 2021 after an elite prep career in Georgia
- Played in 39 career games with five starts

2025

- Registered a career-best seven tackles with a QB hurry in SEC opener vs. #6 Georgia (9/13)
- Started at DE and posted three tackles with one TFL and a sack in blowout win over ETSU (9/6)
- Played along the defensive line in the Vols' season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Saw action in 12 games and made three starts along the defensive line, finishing the year with 16 total tackles and a career-high five tackles for loss to go along with two sacks and a forced fumble
- Made a pair of tackles in 13 snaps against #6 Ohio State (12/21) in the first round of the College Football Playoff
- Notched his first career safety in victory at Vanderbilt (11/30) in regular-season finale
- 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
- Rated a consensus four-star prospect by all major recruiting services
- Tabbed by Rivals as the No. 7 defensive lineman and No. 9 player from the state of Georgia for the class of 2022
- Member of the ESPN300 (No. 74 overall)
- Favorite movie is "Rush Hour"
- Favorite musical artist is Lil' Baby
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	7 vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Tackles for Loss	2.0 (3x), last vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Sacks	1.5 vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
QB Hurries	1 (7x), last vs. Georgia, 9/13/25
Forced Fumbles	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Safety	1 at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	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	12/3	8	8	16	2-12	5-23	1	0	2	0	3-2x
2025	3/2	3	7	10	1-8	1-8	0	0	0	0	7-UGA
Career	39/5	25	27	52	7-50	14-70	1	0	6	0	7-UGA

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	0-0-0
*ETSU	2-1-3, 1 tfl, 1 s
*Georgia	1-6-7, 1 qbh

2024 Opp.	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	0-1-1
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
UTEP	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	1-0-1, 1 saf, 1 qbh
at Ohio State	0-2-2

2023 Opp.	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 Opp.	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

* - denotes started



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No.	Name	Pos.	Cl.	Exp.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School/Previous School
0	Ethan Davis	TE	R-SO	1L	6-5	245	Atlanta, Ga./Collins Hill
0	William Wright	DB	R-SR*	3L	6-0	198	Nashville, Tenn./Ensworth
1	Rickey Gibson III	DB	JR	2L	6-0	185	Trussville, Ala./Hewitt-Trussville
1	Travis Smith Jr.	WR	FR	HS	6-3	210	Atlanta, Ga./Westlake
2	Peyton Lewis	RB	SO	1L	6-1	212	Salem, Va./Salem
2	Andre Turrentine	DB	R-SR	3L	5-11	195	Nashville, Tenn./Ensworth/Ohio State
3	Jermody McCoy	DB	JR	1L	6-0	193	Whitehouse, Texas/Whitehouse/Oregon State
3	Jack Van Dorselaer	TE	FR	HS	6-5	236	Southlake, Texas/Southlake Carroll
4	Mike Matthews	WR	SO	1L	6-1	200	Lilburn, Ga./Parkview
4	Ty Redmond	DB	FR	HS	6-2	192	Alpharetta, Ga./Milton
4	Jourdan Thomas	DB	R-JR	2L	6-2	205	Montgomery, Ala./Montgomery Catholic Prep
5	Daevin Hobbs	DL	JR	2L	6-4	290	Concord, N.C./Jay M. Robinson
5	Radarious Jackson	WR	FR	HS	6-2	210	Memphis, Tenn./Sheffield
6	Joey Aguilar	QB	SR	TR	6-3	225	Antioch, Calif./Freedom/Diablo Valley CC/App State/UCLA
6	Jalen McMurray	DB	R-SR	1L	6-0	187	Upper Marlboro, Md./Gonzaga College HS/Temple
7	DaSaahn Brame	TE	FR	HS	6-4	230	Derby, Kan./Derby
7	Arion Carter	LB	JR	2L	6-1	235	Smyrna, Tenn./Smyrna
8	Colton Hood	DB	R-SO	TR	6-0	195	McDonough, Ga./Eagles Landing Christian/Auburn/Colorado
9	Mariyon Dye	DL	FR	HS	6-5	264	Elkhart, Ind./Elkhart
9	Star Thomas	RB	SR	TR	6-0	210	Homer, La./Homer/Coffeyville (Kan.) CC/NMSU/Duke
10	Kaleb Beasley	DB	SO	1L	6-1	200	Nashville, Tenn./Lipscomb Academy
11	Jordan Burns	LB	R-FR	RS	6-1	224	Conyers, Ga./Pace Academy
12	Jaedon Harmon	LB	FR	HS	6-0	215	Rome, Ga./Rome
12	Jake Merklinger	QB	R-FR	RS	6-3	215	Savannah, Ga./Calvary Day School
13	Mason Phillips	QB	FR	HS	6-1	180	Kodak, Tenn./Northview Academy
13	Edwin Spillman	LB	R-FR	1L	6-1	230	Nashville, Tenn./Lipscomb Academy
14	Braylon Staley	WR	R-FR	1L	6-0	190	Aiken, S.C./Strom Thurmond
15	Edrees Farooq	DB	SO	1L	6-0	200	Columbia, Md./Saint Frances Academy
15	George MacIntyre	QB	FR	HS	6-6	195	Franklin, Tenn./Brentwood Academy
17	Chris Brazzell II	WR	R-JR	1L	6-5	200	Midland, Texas/Midland Legacy/Tulane
17	Ethan Utley	DL	FR	HS	6-4	285	Nashville, Tenn./Ensworth
18	DeSean Bishop	RB	R-SO	1L	5-10	208	Knoxville, Tenn./Karns
18	Tyree Weathersby	DL	R-SO	1L	6-5	265	Douglasville, Ga./New Manchester
19	Joshua Josephs	DL	SR	3L	6-3	240	Kennesaw, Ga./North Cobb
19	Daune Morris	RB	FR	HS	5-10	195	Chattanooga, Tenn./Oakland
20	Justin Baker	RB	FR	HS	5-10	211	Stone Mountain, Ga./Buford
20	Bryson Eason	DL	R-SR*	5L	6-3	315	Memphis, Tenn./Whitehaven
21	Tre Poteat	DB	FR	HS	6-0	190	Fitchburg, Wis./Verona Area
22	Jeremiah Telander	LB	JR	2L	6-2	235	Gainesville, Ga./Gainesville
23	Boo Carter	DB	SO	1L	5-11	200	Chattanooga, Tenn./Bradley Central
24	Hunter Barnes	RB	R-JR	1L	6-0	196	Memphis, Tenn./Memphis School
25	Timothy Merritt	DB	FR	HS	6-1	185	Birmingham, Ala./Parker
26	Sidney Walton	DB	FR	HS	6-1	196	Moody, Ala./Moody
26	Carson Whitehead	WR	R-JR	1L	5-10	178	Powell, Tenn./Powell
27	Jadon Perlotte	LB	FR	HS	6-4	210	Buford, Ga./Buford
28	Marcus Goree Jr.	DB	R-FR	RS	6-1	185	Chattanooga, Tenn./Bradley Central
29	Jack-Henry Jakobik	WR	R-SO	SQ	6-4	203	Brentwood, Tenn./Ravenwood
29	Jordan Ross	DL	SO	1L	6-5	245	Vestavia Hills, Ala./Vestavia Hills
30	Jamal Wallace	DL	R-JR	SQ	6-3	313	Kansas City, Mo./Ruskin/Sierra College
31	Caleb Herring	DL	JR	2L	6-5	245	Newnan, Ga./Riverdale (Tenn.)
33	Ben Bolton	LB	R-JR	3L	6-3	233	Memphis, Tenn./Lausanne Collegiate School
34	Emmanuel Okoye	DL	R-SO	SQ	6-5	243	Lagos, Nigeria/NFL (UK) Academy
35	Carson Gentle	DL	R-FR	RS	6-3	256	Chattanooga, Tenn./McCallie School
35	Ben Petermann	WR	FR	HS	6-2	208	Chicago, Ill./Rolling Meadows
36	Dylan Lewis	DB	FR	HS	6-0	187	Atlanta, Ga./Milton
36	Nathan Roberts	WR	R-SO	SQ	6-4	214	Morristown, Tenn./Morristown-Hamblen East
37	Montrell Bandy	DB	R-SR	1L	6-3	194	Mount Juliet, Tenn./Mount Juliet
38	Andre Stewart	DB	R-JR	SQ	6-0	185	Kennesaw, Ga./North Cobb/Towson
39	Malcolm Kinzer	WR	R-FR	RS	6-2	196	Parker, Colo./Ponderosa
39	Jayden Loftin	DL	FR	HS	6-4	255	Somerville, N.J./Somerville
40	Colin Brazzell	DB	R-FR	RS	6-1	175	Midland, Texas/Midland Legacy
40	Seamus Meagher	TE	SR	HS	6-4	252	Piedmont, Calif./Piedmont
41	Steele Katina	DB	R-FR	RS	6-1	200	Thompson's Station, Tenn./Independence
42	Braylon Harmon	WR	R-FR	RS	5-9	185	Sevierville, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic
42	Tyre West	DL	SR	3L	6-3	290	Tifton, Ga./Tift County
43	Jackson Mathews	DB	R-FR	RS	6-0	192	Franklin, Tenn./Christ Presbyterian Academy
44	Christian Gass	DL	FR	HS	6-3	217	Covington, Ga./Eastside

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6	Joey Aguilar	QB
71	Max Anderson	OL
55	Brenden Anes	LB
90	Dominic Bailey	DL
20	Justin Baker	RB
37	Montrell Bandy	DB
24	Hunter Barnes	RB
10	Kaleb Beasley	DB
89	Mike Bethea II	DL
18	DeSean Bishop	RB
33	Ben Bolton	LB
48	Bennett Brady	LS
7	DaSaahn Brame	TE
17	Chris Brazzell II	WR
40	Colin Brazzell	DB
11	Jordan Burns	LB
47	Isaiah Campbell	DL
7	Arion Carter	LB
23	Boo Carter	DB
93	Grady Dangerfield	PK
0	Ethan Davis	TE
89	Joakim Dodson	WR
9	Mariyon Dye	DL
20	Bryson Eason	DL
15	Edrees Farooq	DB
44	Christian Gass	DL
35	Carson Gentle	DL
1	Rickey Gibson III	DB
90	Max Gilbert	PK
78	Gage Ginther	OL
28	Marcus Goree Jr.	DB
73	Brian Grant	OL
58	Herb Gray	DL
88	Deon Hardin	WR
42	Braylon Harmon	WR
12	Jaedon Harmon	LB
86	Cole Harrison	TE
51	Jeremias Heard	OL
53	Lance Heard	OL
87	Joshua Helsdon	DL
31	Caleb Herring	DL
69	Gus Hill	OL
5	Daevin Hobbs	DL
8	Colton Hood	DB
99	Charles House III	DL
96	Isaiah Inge	DL
5	Radarious Jackson	WR
29	Jack-Henry Jakobik	WR
81	Amari Jefferson	WR
19	Joshua Josephs	DL
41	Steele Katina	DB
39	Malcolm Kinzer	WR
87	Miles Kitselman	TE
65	Michael Kostantonov	OL
36	Dylan Lewis	DB
2	Peyton Lewis	RB
56	Kellen Lindstrom	DL
39	Jayden Loftin	DL
15	George MacIntyre	QB
43	Jackson Mathews	DB
4	Mike Matthews	WR
3	Jermody McCoy	DB
6	Jalen McMurray	DB
40	Seamus Meagher	TE
12	Jake Merklinger	QB
25	Timothy Merritt	DB
75	Wendell Moe Jr.	OL



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47	Isaiah Campbell	DL	FR	HS	6-4	295	Durham, N.C./Southern Durham
47	John Rosen	LS	FR	HS	6-2	239	Morristown, Tenn./Morristown West
48	Bennett Brady	LS	R-JR	2L	6-1	210	Memphis, Tenn./Evangelical Christian
50	William Satterwhite	OL	R-FR	1L	6-3	305	Barberton, Ohio/Archbishop Hoban
50	Ryan Scott	LB	R-FR	RS	6-0	218	Knoxville, Tenn./West
51	Jeremias Heard	OL	R-FR	RS	6-8	333	Rome, Ga./Model
51	Jaxson Moi	DL	SR	1L	6-2	305	Oceanside, Calif./Cathedral Catholic/Stanford
53	Lance Heard	OL	JR	1L	6-6	330	Bonita, La./Neville/LSU
55	Brenden Anes	LB	FR	HS	6-2	223	Nolensville, Tenn./Page
55	Antoni Ogumoro	OL	FR	HS	6-4	320	Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands/Elgin (Okla.)
56	Kellen Lindstrom	DL	R-FR	1L	6-5	240	Springfield, Mo./Glendale
56	Sam Pendleton	OL	R-SO	TR	6-4	310	Lawsonville, N.C./Reagan/Notre Dame
57	Grier Short	LB	R-FR	RS	6-1	219	Franklin, Tenn./Ensworth
58	Herb Gray	DL	R-FR	RS	6-3	288	Upper Marlboro, Md./C.H. Flowers
58	Nic Moore	OL	FR	HS	6-3	315	Talbott, Tenn./Jefferson County
59	Charlie Powell III	OL	FR	HS	6-3	295	Cincinnati, Ohio/Archbishop Moeller
65	Michael Kostantonov	OL	R-FR	TR	6-4	320	Northbrook, Ill./Loyola Academy/Central Michigan
68	Bennett Warren	OL	R-FR	RS	6-7	325	Houston, Texas/Fort Bend Christian Academy
69	Gus Hill	OL	R-JR	SQ	6-4	300	Fayetteville, Tenn./Fayetteville
70	David Sanders Jr.	OL	FR	HS	6-6	305	Charlotte, N.C./Providence Day
71	Max Anderson	OL	R-FR	RS	6-5	311	Frisco, Texas/Reedy
72	Jesse Perry	OL	R-FR	1L	6-6	320	Murfreesboro, Tenn./Middle Tennessee Christian
73	Brian Grant	OL	R-JR	2L	6-7	325	Fort Walton Beach, Fla./Choctawhatchee
74	Shamurad Umarov	OL	R-SO	2L	6-7	330	Alpharetta, Ga./Denmark
75	Wendell Moe Jr.	OL	R-JR	TR	6-2	330	Long Beach, Calif./Long Beach Poly/Arizona
78	Gage Ginther	OL	R-FR	RS	6-5	311	Fort Collins, Colo./Fossil Ridge
81	Amari Jefferson	WR	R-FR	TR	6-0	207	Chattanooga, Tenn./Baylor School/Alabama
83	Trey Weary	WR	R-JR	SQ	6-2	185	Houston, Texas/Manvel
84	Tommy Winton III	WR	R-JR	1L	5-10	200	Knoxville, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic/ETSU
86	Cole Harrison	TE	R-FR	RS	6-5	238	San Mateo, Calif./Junipero Serra
87	Joshua Helsdon	DL	R-JR	1L	6-4	290	Cleveland, Tenn./Bradley Central
87	Miles Kitselman	TE	SR*	1L	6-5	255	Lyndon, Kan./Lyndon/Hutchinson (Kan.) CC/Alabama
88	Deon Hardin	WR	JR	JC	6-0	178	Biloxi, Miss./Biloxi/East Central (Miss.) CC
89	Mike Bethea II	DL	R-JR	SQ	6-1	215	Destin, Fla./Maryville/Maryville College
89	Joakim Dodson	WR	FR	HS	6-0	190	Memphis, Tenn./Baylor School
90	Dominic Bailey	DL	R-SR*	3L	6-3	292	Salisbury, Md./St. Frances Academy
90	Max Gilbert	PK	R-SO	2L	6-0	200	Memphis, Tenn./Lausanne Collegiate School
93	Grady Dangerfield	PK	FR	HS	6-0	220	Charleston, S.C./James Island Charter
94	Nathan Robinson	DL	R-SO	1L	6-6	300	Greenbrier, Tenn./Greenbrier
94	Josh Turbyville	P/PK	R-JR	2L	6-2	200	Knoxville, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic
96	Isaiah Inge	DL	R-FR	RS	6-1	292	Fresno, Calif./Buchanan
97	Josh Schell	DL	R-JR	TR	6-4	265	Mt. Pleasant, Mich./Mt. Pleasant/Grand Valley State
98	Jackson Ross	P	R-JR	2L	6-4	205	Melbourne, Australia/Haileybury College
99	Charles House III	DL	FR	HS	6-3	295	Charlotte, N.C./North Mecklenburg

* - denotes "super" senior

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2	Andre Turrentine	TUR-en-tine	34	Emmanuel Okoye	oh-KOY-ay
3	Jermod McCoy	JUR-mahd	40	Colin Brazzell	BRAZ-ull
3	Jack Van Dorselaer	Van DOAR-suh-lair	40	Seamus Meagher	SHAY-mus MAR
5	Daevin Hobbs	DAY-vin	42	Tyre West	tie-REE
5	Radarious Jackson	RUH-dair-ee-us	44	Christian Gass	GAS
6	Joey Aguilar	AG-uh-lar	51	Jaxson Moi	MOY (rhymes with boy)
7	DaSaahn Brame	duh-SAHN BRAIM	55	Brenden Anes	AINS
7	Arion Carter	air-EE-on	55	Antoni Ogunoro	AN-tuh-nee OH-goo-mo-row
9	Mariyon Dye	MAIR-ee-uhn	65	Michael Kostantonov	KOZZ-tan-toe-nov
12	Jaedon Harmon	JAY-din	74	Shamurad Umarov	oo-MAH-rawf (goes by Sham)
12	Jake Merklinger	MURK-ling-ur	75	Wendell Moe Jr.	MOY (rhymes with boy)
15	Edrees Farooq	EE-drees fuh-RUKE	87	Miles Kitselman	KITS-ull-min
17	Chris Brazzell II	BRAZ-ull	89	Joakim Dodson	JOE-kim
19	Daune Morris	duh-WAN			
21	Tre Poteat	poh-TEET		Coaches	
22	Jeremiah Telander	TEE-lan-dur		Offensive Coordinator/QBs Joey Halzle	HALLS-lee
27	Jadon Perlotte	PUR-lah-tee		Tight Ends Alec Abeln	ABE-lin
29	Jack-Henry Jakobik	juh-KOE-bick			

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No.	Name	Pos.
51	Jaxson Moi	DL
58	Nic Moore	OL
19	Daune Morris	RB
55	Antoni Ogumoro	OL
34	Emmanuel Okoye	DL
56	Sam Pendleton	OL
27	Jadon Perlotte	LB
72	Jesse Perry	OL
35	Ben Petermann	WR
13	Mason Phillips	QB
21	Tre Poteat	DL
59	Charlie Powell III	OL
4	Ty Redmond	DB
36	Nathan Roberts	WR
94	Nathan Robinson	DL
47	John Rosen	LS
98	Jackson Ross	P
29	Jordan Ross	DL
70	David Sanders Jr.	OL
50	William Satterwhite	OL
97	Josh Schell	DL
50	Ryan Scott	LB
57	Grier Short	LB
1	Travis Smith Jr.	WR
13	Edwin Spillman	LB
14	Braylon Staley	WR
38	Andre Stewart	DB
22	Jeremiah Telander	LB
4	Jourdan Thomas	DB
9	Star Thomas	RB
94	Josh Turbyville	P/PK
2	Andre Turrentine	DB
74	Shamurad Umarov	OL
17	Ethan Utley	DL
3	Jack Van Dorselaer	TE
30	Jamal Wallace	DL
26	Sidney Walton	DB
68	Bennett Warren	OL
83	Trey Weary	WR
18	Tyree Weathersby	DL
42	Tyre West	DL
26	Carson Whitehead	WR
84	Tommy Winton III	WR
0	William Wright	DB