

YSU FOOTBALL

SEVEN FCS TITLE GAME APPEARANCES / 2016 • 1999 • 1997 • 1994 • 1993 • 1992 • 1991

The No. 23 Youngstown State football team opens the 2024 campaign on Thursday at sixth-ranked Villanova. Kickoff for the contest at Villanova Stadium is set for 6 p.m.. The game is available on Flo Football, WKBN 570 AM and iHeartRadio.

The Penguins are coming off an 8-5 campaign that ended at Villanova last December. In the second round of the FCS Playoffs, the Guins suffered a 45-28 setback to the Wildcats.

In that contest, YSU took 10-7 lead in the second quarter before Villanova scored 31 of the next 34 points in the game. Former YSU QB Mitch Davidson led the offensive charge throwing three touchdown passes, including two in the final nine minutes of the game.

The Wildcats finished with a 10-3 record following a 23-12 decision at eventual National Champion South Dakota State in the quarterfinals. At home, VU was 6-0 in the 2023 season and has won nine straight at Villanova Stadium since a 49-42 loss to Monmouth on Sept. 24, 2022.

The YSU team that will return to Philadelphia this time will be quite different. On offense, starters Aidan Parker, David Metzler, Jaison Williams, Desmeal Leigh, Tyshon King, Max Tomczak and Brandon Serrano return. On defense, only DE Hunter Allen and CB Jaylen Castleberry return. They combined to make nine total starts last season, with Castleberry starting the last seven games.

The game against Villanova is a rare Thursday night road tilt for the Guins. It marks the first time since Sept. 2, 1993, that YSU is opening on the road with a Thursday night contest. YSU picked up a 17-13 at Western Michigan to open a campaign that eventually ended with a National Championship.

The Penguins and Wildcats have played 10 contests with YSU leading the all-time series 7-3. The previous three games have been played in Villanova Stadium, including the playoff contest back in December. YSU's last win in the series was on Nov. 13, 1999, a 28-21 victory in Philadelphia.

Following Thursday's contest, YSU returns home for two straight games. Youngstown State plays Valparaiso on Sept. 7 and Duquesne on Sept. 14. The Guins return to Pennsylvania on Sept. 21 to play at Pittsburgh.

GAME #1



Date: August 29, 2024

Time: 6 p.m.

Location:

Philadelphia, Pa.

Stadium:

Villanova Stadium

Series:

YSU leads 7-3

Last Meeting:

VU 45, YSU 28 (2023)

Radio: 570 WKBN

iHeartRadio App

Bob Hannon (*Play by Play*)

Steve Leslie (*Analyst*)

TV: Flo Football

John Fanta (*Play by Play*)

Steve Pinone (*Analyst*)

Probable Starters vs. VU

OFFENSE

LT 78 Desmeal Leigh

LG 73 David Metzler

C 56 Aidan Parker

RG 62 Shane Keenan

RT 54 Jaison Williams

QB 12 Beau Brungard

TB 10 Tyshon King

TE 15 Brandon Serrano

WR 4 Max Tomczak

WR 1 Latrell Fordham

WR 18 Cryus Traugh

DEFENSE

DE 93 Hunter Allen

DT 99 Joe Brown

DT 88 Jaelen Crider

DE 91 Dawan Martin

LB 8 Mike Wells

LB 45 Devin Johnson

SAM 4 Kerion Martin

CB 2 Isaiah Hackett

FS 6 Makai Shahid

SS 1 Stephon Hall

CB 3 Jaylen Castleberry

SPECIAL TEAMS

PK 24 Andrew Lastovka

P 40 Brendon Kilpatrick

PR 4 Max Tomczak

KR 1/23 Fordham/Gilbert

KO 24 Andrew Lastovka

2024 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site	Time	Series Notes
Aug. 29	at Villanova	Philadelphia, Pa.	6 p.m.	YSU's last game of 2023 was at Villanova; Guins lead all-time series 7-3
Sept. 7	Valparaiso	Stambaugh	2 p.m.	Guins outscored Valpo 35-0 in the second half in 2023 for 52-10 victory
Sept. 14	Duquesne	Stambaugh	2 p.m.	YSU beat the Dukes 40-7 in the opening round of the playoffs in November
Sept. 21	at Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh, Pa.	3:30 p.m.	Penguins make their first trip to Pitt since 2017; YSU beat the Panthers in 2012 (31-17)
Sept. 28	at Missouri State*	Springfield, Mo.	3 p.m.	YSU makes final conference trip to Springfield; Penguins last won at MSU in
Oct. 5	Indiana State* (HC)	Stambaugh	2 p.m.	Guins have won last two meetings, including 48-42 triumph at home in 2022
Oct. 12	at South Dakota State*	Brookings, S.D.	3 p.m.	YSU's last win in series vs. SDSU was in 2017 (19-7 at YSU)
Oct. 19	South Dakota*	Stambaugh	6 p.m.	Penguins have won all six meetings in Youngstown vs. the Coyotes
Oct. 26	North Dakota*	Stambaugh	6 p.m.	North Dakota returns to YSU for first time since 2022
Nov. 2	at Illinois State*	Normal, Ill.	3 p.m.	YSU has won the last two meetings by a total of five points; Guins won past three games
Nov. 9	at Southern Illinois*	Carbondale, Ill.	1 p.m.	Guins have won last three meetings; YSU has won six of last eight contests
Nov. 16	UNI*	Stambaugh	Noon	Last home win against the Panthers came in 2018

All Times are Eastern and subject to change | *Missouri Valley Football Conference game | (HC) Homecoming | All games on 570 WKBN and Watch ESPN

STARTING EXPERIENCE

Name, Pos.	20*	21	22	23	24	No.	Str
Jaison Williams, OL	7	10	10	13	-	40	13
Aidan Parker, OL	7	9	11	11	-	38	4
David Metzler, OT	-	7	11	13	-	31	30
Max Tomczak, WR	-	0	7	12	-	19	9
Andrew Lastovka, PK	-	-	0	13	-	13	13
Desmeal Leigh, OL	-	-	0	13	-	13	13
Brendon Kilpatrick, P	-	-	0	12	12	1	
Tyshon King, RB	-	-	-	10	-	10	9
Brandon Serrano, TE	-	-	1	8	-	9	3
Latrell Fordham, WR	-	-	8	0	-	8	0
Jaylen Castleberry, DB	-	-	-	7	-	7	7
Dawan Martin, DE	-	3	0	0	-	3	0
Van Keen, OL	-	-	-	2	-	2	0
Colt Sechrest, TE	-	-	-	2	-	2	0
Hunter Allen, DE	-	0	0	2	-	2	2

*2020 was Spring 2021

MILESTONE GAMES

1	Sept. 15, 1938	Geneva (L, 6-12)
100	Oct. 18, 1952	Marshall (T, 6-6)
200	Nov. 15, 1963	Augustana (W, 20-6)
300	Sept. 13, 1975	Central State (W, 10-0)
400	Sept. 15, 1984	Cincinnati (W, 27-23)
500	Oct. 17, 1992	Northeastern (L, 23-28)
600	Dec. 11, 1999	Florida A&M (W, 27-24)
700	Oct. 11, 2008	Missouri State (L, 28-42)
800	Dec. 20, 2016	Eastern Washington (W, 40-38)
878	Dec. 2, 2023	at Villanova

MILESTONE WINS

1	Oct. 22, 1938	Westminster (20-0)
100	Nov. 17, 1960	Akron (34-21)
200	Oct. 3, 1981	Akron (34-7)
300	Sept. 24, 1994	Slippery Rock (52-17)
400	Oct. 14, 2006	Western Illinois (35-28)
500	Aug. 31, 2023	Valparaiso (52-10)
507	Nov. 25, 2023	Duquesne (40-7)

PLAYOFF GAME RECAP

Youngstown State's 2023 season came to an end in the second round of the FCS Playoffs as the Penguins fell 45-28 to eighth-seeded Villanova at Villanova Stadium.

YSU held a 10-7 lead after Mitch Davidson threw a 34-yard touchdown to Joey Farthing a minute into the second quarter, but Villanova scored 31 of the next 34 points in the contest and built a 38-13 lead.

Davidson threw for 287 yards and three touchdowns in his final collegiate game. He completed 27 of his 44 attempts, and he finished the campaign with a school-record 3,088 yards.

Max Tomczak was on the receiving end of nine of those passes, and he finished with a game-high 105 yards through the air. Farthing finished with 73 yards and two scores, Bryce Oliver caught three of hits 10 targets for 38 yards in his final game. Dra Rushton ran for 48 yards on 13 carries to lead the rushing attack.

The Guins finished with 369 yards of offense, and they gained 22 first downs. Villanova finished with 466 yards on offense and gained at least 20 yards on 10 different plays. The Wildcats gained 191 yards on the ground, and Connor Watkins threw for 275 yards on 12 completions.

OFFENSE PUT UP POINTS

In their 12 games against FCS opponents this season the Penguins scored at least 28 points in 10 of them. In six of those contests, the Guins registered 40 or more.

YSU set a school record with six consecutive 30-plus point contests during the season and with 40 points vs. Duquesne in the playoffs, the Guins set a school record for 40-point games in a season breaking the record of five (2016, 2001 and 1978).

In five league games, YSU scored 44 against Missouri State, 41 vs. UNI and Illinois State, 34 against Murray State and 31 each against Southern Illinois and South Dakota.

PASSING NUMBERS SKYROCKETED

The Penguins set team passing season records for yards, completions, attempts, percentage and yards per game. The 24 touchdown passes were the second most in school history and impressively threw just seven interceptions.

For the year, YSU had 3,160 yards passing, 270 completions on 388 attempts for a 69.6 percent completion rate and 243.1 yards per game. Four times last season YSU threw for more than 300 yards in a game.

TOUGH ON THE RUN; 3RD DOWN

The Penguins allowed just 102.2 yards rushing per game which ranked 10th in the FCS for the campaign.

Nine times last year, the Guins allowed fewer

than 111 yards in a game, highlighted by a low of six against Southern Illinois.

On third down, YSU's defense ranked fifth in the FCS allowing a success rate of just 29.4 percent (42-of-153).

TIME OF POSSESSION LEADER

The Guins ranked first in the FCS in time of possession averaging 35:06 per game. That number was buoyed by a TOP of 34:49 in last year's contest at Villanova.

In 11 of 13 games last year, YSU has held the ball for more than 33:23. On three occasions - Indiana State, Murray State and Duquesne - the Guins owned the ball for more than 39 minutes.

FRESHMAN ALL-AMERICANS

Last year, OT Desmeal Leigh and PK Andrew Lastovka earned freshman All-America honors in 2023. Both players played key roles in the Penguins' success last year.

As a redshirt freshman, Leigh started all 13 games at left tackle for the Guins. He was named a Stats Perform FCS Freshman All-American team presented by FedEx Ground. He was also a second-team Freshman FCS All-American by Phil Steele.

Lastovka made 17-of-20 field goals with a long of 50 yards against Duquesne in the FCS playoffs. In the postseason he was 6-of-6 on field-goal tries after going 11-of-14 during the regular season. On PAT tries he was 44-of-46 during the year and finished with 95 points. He kicked a game-winning 37-yard field goal against Illinois State as time expired. He was a third-team Phil Steele FCS Freshman All-American.

WILLIAMS GARNERS MULTIPLE PRESEASON ACCOLADES

Veteran OL Jaison Williams has been named to multiple preseason FCS All-American teams.

Williams was tabbed a preseason Second-Team All-American by FCS Football Central/SI.com and a third-team All-American by Stats Perform.

In 2023, he earned second-team all-conference honors after being named Honorable Mention All-MVFC in 2021 and 2022.

FIVE EARN ALL-MVFC HONORS

YSU had five preseason All-MVFC selections. Garnering first-team accolades were OL Jaison Williams and TB Tyshon King.

Additionally, WR Max Tomczak was a second-team pick while long snapper Sam Merryman and placekicker Andrew Lastovka were honorable-mention selections.

2024 TEAM CAPTAINS

YSU has elected five team captains for the upcoming 2024 season. The five players voted

QUICK FACTS

Location	Youngstown, Ohio
Founded	1908
Enrollment	11,298
Conference	Missouri Valley Football
Nickname	Penguins
Colors	Red and White
President	Bill Johnson
Athletics Director	Ron Strollo
Faculty Representative	Dr. Chet Cooper
Head Coach	Doug Phillips
Record / Season	19-22 / Fifth Season

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MVFC STANDINGS

Team	MVFC	Overall
South Dakota State	8-0	15-0
South Dakota	6-2	10-3
North Dakota State	5-3	11-4
Youngstown State	5-3	8-5
North Dakota	5-3	7-5
UNI	5-3	6-5
Southern Illinois	4-4	8-5
Illinois State	4-4	6-5
Missouri State	3-5	4-7
Murray State	1-7	2-9
Indiana State	1-7	1-10
Western Illinois	0-8	0-11

CAREER TOUCHDOWNS SCORED

TD Scorers (No. TDs)

Tyshon King - 9 rush

Joey Farthing - 4 pass

Max Tomczak - 3 pass

Luke Hensley - 3 pass

Brandan Serrano - 3 pass

Beau Brungard - 3 rush

Latrell Fordham - 1 pass / 1 KO

Colt Sechrest - 1 pass

Jaylen Castleberry - 1 blocked punt

captains for the upcoming year are Jaison Williams, Tyshon King, Michael Voitius, Devin Johnson and Logan Pasco.

Williams and King are the offensive captains, Voitius and Johnson are the defensive captains and Pasco is the special teams captain.

O-LINE FEATURES EXPERIENCE

YSU's offensive line should be battle tested entering the postseason.

That group features a large amount of starting experience with Jaison Williams (40 starts), Aidan Parker (38 starts), David Metzler (31 starts) and Desmeal Leigh who started all 13 games at left tackle in 2023 all returning. The only starter lost is Ryan Johnson who is playing with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Van Keen filled in as starting center on two occasions a year ago. Shane Keenan is slated to step in at right guard replacing Johnson.

KING PENGUIN IMPRESSED

Tailback Tyshon King had a strong debut season for the Guins last year after transferring from Northern Michigan.

In his first season at YSU, King rushed for 1,011 yards on 187 carries and scored nine touchdowns en route to earning second-team All-MVFC honors. He also caught 18 passes for 149 yards.

Six times last year he has eclipsed the 100-yard mark. Five times last year he had 18-or-more carries in a game.

King had a career-high 152 yards at Murray State in the regular-season finale.

On three occasions he was named the MVFC Newcomer of the Week for his efforts.

TOMCZAK STEPPED UP

Wide receiver Max Tomczak had a huge season for the Penguins a year ago.

Tomczak has caught 47 passes for 564 yards and a touchdown while Charleston has 33 receptions for 503 yards and four scores. Tomczak led the Penguins during MVFC play with 41 receptions.

Tomczak was named to the MVFC All-Newcomer Team last year. He had 26 catches for 430 yards and two touchdowns in 2022.

TRANSFERS TO MAKE IMPACT

The Guins will look to a group of transfers to step in and contribute this fall.

Heading into the campaign, YSU added Stephon Hall (Pittsburgh), Isaiah Hackett (UNLV), Ethan Wright (Cincinnati), Richard Dandridge (Temple), Kerion Martin (Marshall), Carston Marshall (Iowa State), Brady Shannon (UCF), Jace Tutty (Penn State), Jeremiah Robinson (Southern Miss), Dathan Hickey (Yale), DJ Harris (Tiffin), Jawon Hall (Slippery Rock), Jabarrek Hopkins (Marshall), Cole Parvin (Campbell), Payton

Edwards (Indiana State), Matt Reardon (Miami, Ohio), Mason Ludwig (Toledo), Andrew Jacobs (Charlotte), Austin Bray (UT-Martin), Tyler Bukur (Marian, Ind.) and Joe Brown (Northern Colorado).

NINE STARTS RETURN ON DEFENSE

The Penguins return two players who started on defense in last year's playoff tilt at Villanova - DE Hunter Allen and CB Jaylen Castleberry.

Castleberry started the final seven games of the season while Allen started the final two.

Out of 143 possible starts for the 13-game season, only nine belonged to Allen and Castleberry.

HISTORY VS. VILLANOVA

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STRONG ON SPECIAL TEAMS

The Penguins special teams performed well throughout the 2023 campaign.

YSU ranked sixth in the nation in net punting at 41.2 yards and tied for fourth in the country with four blocked punts.

Punter Brendon Kilpatrick averaged 43.4 yards per punt which ranked second in a season in school history. YSU's average of 43.4 yards a kick eclipsed the school record of 43.3 (2013).

PK Andrew Lastovka made 17-of-20 field-goal attempts in his first season. YSU allowed fewer than 20 return yards on 52 kickoff returns.

YSU also returns special teams contributors Devin Johnson, Logan Pasco, Preston Zandier and Daryan Bowling.

NUMBERS OF NOTE

• **Turnover Margin:** Since 1996, YSU is 157-48 when they win or tie the turnover margin. When committing more turnovers, YSU is just 30-89.

• **Since 1990 YSU is:**

- 178-22-2 when holding opponents to fewer than 21 points in a game.
- 157-23 when rushing for 200-plus yards.
- 181-33 when scoring 28-or-more points.
- 97-14-1 when holding opponents to fewer than 100 yards rushing in a game.
- 210-23 when leading entering the fourth.
- 95-3-2 holding opponents to 10 points-or-less.
- YSU is 21-6 when a back rushes for more than 200 yards in a game.

UP NEXT:

YSU plays its first home game of the season on Sept. 7 when it entertains Valparaiso. Kickoff of the contest at Stambaugh Stadium is set for 2 p.m.

YSU AT VILLANOVA DEPTH CHART

Offense

RT	54	Jaison Williams	6-4, 320, Sr.; Trotwood, Ohio
	70	Max Lockett	6-7, 275, RFr.; Springfield, Mass.
RG	62	Shane Keenan	6-5, 305, So.; Toronto, Ohio
	59	Joey Sferra	6-3, 305, So.; Boardman, Ohio
C	56	Aidan Parker	6-2, 300, Sr.; Westfield, Ind.
	67	Van Keen	6-4, 305, So.; Stow, Ohio
LG	73	David Metzler	6-5, 320, Sr.; Hilliard, Ohio
	57	Easton Korody	6-4, 305, So.; Carey, Ohio
-or-	66	Wyatt Minor	6-5, 315, RFr.; Clarksburg, W. Va.
LT	78	Desmeal Leigh	6-7, 325, So.; Kent, Ohio
	76	Nick Nielsen	6-6, 270, RFr.; Warren, Mich.
TE	15	Brandan Serrano	6-0, 250, Sr.; Struthers, Ohio
	89	Colt Sechrest	6-4, 255, So.; Bellaire, Ohio
	85	Austin Bray	6-5, 255, Jr.; Venice, Fla.
	17	Alex McDonald	6-4, 250, So.; Chardon, Ohio
WR	18	Cyrus Traugh	6-0, 180, RFr.; Parkersburg, W. Va.
	13	Daryan Bowling	6-4, 200, Jr.; Hamilton, Ohio
WR	4	Max Tomczak	6-0, 195, Jr.; Frankfort, Ill.
	3	Richard Dandridge	5-11, 170, So.; Homestead, Fla.
	22	Matt Reardon	6-1, 190, Jr.; Youngstown, Ohio
WR	1	Latrell Fordham	6-3, 195, Jr.; Flint, Mich.
	14	Jawon Hall	6-1, 185, Sr.; Pittsburgh, Pa.
	9	Joey Farthing	6-4, 200, So.; Dover, Ohio
QB	12	Beau Brungard	6-0, 210, So.; New Middletown, Ohio
	7	Max Blanc	6-5, 225, So.; Bethel Park, Pa.
-or-	5	Brady Shannon	6-3, 210, So.; Youngstown, Ohio
TB	10	Tyshon King	5-11, 210, Sr.; Kankakee, Ill.
	2	Ethan Wright	6-1, 208, Sr.; Akron, Ohio
	24	Da'Shuan Whatley	5-9, 180, So.; Cleveland, Ohio
-or-	23	Jaden Gilbert	5-10, 180, RFr.; Elyria, Ohio

Subject to Change



Defense

CB	3	Jaylen Castleberry	6-0, 190, Jr.; Lakewood, Ohio
	10	Jordan Rudolph	5-11, 170, So.; Lewis Center, Ohio
-or-	0	Isaiah Crozier	6-0, 175, RFr.; Pickerington, Ohio
SS	1	Stephon Hall	6-2, 190, Jr.; Pittsburgh, Pa.
	9	Jeremiah Robinson	6-0, 190, Jr.; Petal, Miss.
FS	6	Makai Shahid	6-0, 190, RFr.; Gahanna, Ohio
	12	Dallas Harper	6-1, 190, RFr.; Pittsburgh, Pa.
CB	2	Isaiah Hackett	5-10, 185, Jr.; Youngstown, Ohio
-or-	20	Payton Edwards	6-0, 185, Sr.; Port St. Joe, Fla.
	13	DJ Harris	5-11, 195, Jr.; North Canton, Ohio
SAM	4	Kerion Martin	6-1, 210, Sr.; Charleston, W. Va.
	14	Dominic Julius	6-2, 200, So.; Philadelphia, Pa.
-or-	27	Andrew Centofanti	6-0, 220, Jr.; Poland, Ohio
WLB	45	Devin Johnson	6-0, 215, Sr.; Paintsville, Ky.
	33	Preston Zandier	6-0, 225, Jr.; Pittsburgh, Pa.
MLB	8	Mike Wells	6-3, 250, So.; New Castle, Pa.
	34	Logan Pasco	6-0, 225, Sr.; Davison, Mich.
DE	91	Dawan Martin	6-4, 230, Jr.; Youngstown, Ohio
	90	Ebony Curry Jr.	6-5, 250, RFr.; Hamilton, Ohio
DT	88	Jaelen Crider	6-3, 310, Jr.; Stow, Ohio
	16	Jabarrek Hopkins	6-4, 280, Jr.; Greenville, Fla.
-or-	44	Nehemiah Dukes	6-2, 280, So.; Douglasville, Ga.
DT	99	Joe Brown	6-5, 315, Jr.; Flint, Mich.
	97	Tyler Bukur	6-2, 275, Sr.; Valparaiso, Ind.
-or-	98	Michael Boyd Jr.	6-3, 285, So.; Sylvania, Ga.
DE	93	Hunter Allen	6-5, 255, Sr.; Canal Winchester, Ohio
	22	DaShawn Carter	6-3, 240, RFr.; McKeesport, Pa.
	42	Michael Voitus	6-1, 240, Jr.; Poland, Ohio

Special Teams

PK	24	Andrew Lastovka	5-8, 170, So.; Sagamore Hills, Ohio
	34	Josh Wilkins	5-10, 160; Fr.; Bessemer, Pa.
H	40	Brendon Kilpatrick	6-2, 220, Jr.; Cortland, Ohio
LS	0	Sam Merryman	6-2, 215, Sr.; Shadyside, Ohio
	35	George Gabriel	6-1, 215, Fr.; Youngstown, Ohio
P	40	Brendon Kilpatrick	6-2, 220, Jr.; Cortland, Ohio
	49	Alex Grace	6-4, 190, Fr.; Cincinnati, Ohio
PR	4	Max Tomczak	6-0, 195, Jr.; Frankfort, Ill.
-or-	18	Cyrus Traugh	6-0, 180, RFr.; Parkersburg, W. Va.
	1	Latrell Fordham	6-3, 195, Jr.; Flint, Mich.
KR	1	Latrell Fordham	6-3, 195, Jr.; Flint, Mich.
	23	Jaden Gilbert	5-10, 180, RFr.; Elyria, Ohio
KO	24	Andrew Lastovka	5-8, 170, So.; Sagamore Hills, Ohio
	34	Josh Wilkins	5-10, 160; Fr.; Bessemer, Pa.

YOUNGSTOWN STATE FOOTBALL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown/High School
0	Isaiah Crozier	DB	6-0	175	RFr.	Pickerington, Ohio/Central
0	Sam Merryman	LS	6-2	215	Sr.	Shadyside, Ohio/Shadyside
1	Latrell Fordham	WR	6-3	195	Sr.	Flint, Mich./St. Thomas More
1	Stephon Hall	DB	6-2	190	Jr.	Pittsburgh, Pa./Central Valley
2	Isaiah Hackett	DB	5-10	185	Jr.	Youngstown, Ohio/East
2	Ethan Wright	TB	6-1	195	Sr.	Akron, Ohio/Manchester
3	Jaylen Castleberry	DB	6-0	190	Jr.	Lakewood, Ohio/St. Edward's
3	Richard Dandridge	WR	5-11	170	So.	Homestead, Fla./Homestead
4	Kerion Martin	DB	6-1	215	Sr.	Charleston, W.Va./Capital
4	Max Tomczak	WR	6-0	195	Jr.	Frankfort, Ill./Lincoln-Way East
5	Carston Marshall	LB	6-2	215	So.	Kennesaw, Ga./Wadsworth (Ohio)
5	Brady Shannon	QB	6-2	225	So.	Youngstown, Ohio/Ursuline
6	Luke Hensley	WR	6-2	195	Jr.	Medina, Ohio/Medina
6	Makai Shahid	DB	6-0	190	RFr.	Gahanna, Ohio/Gahanna Lincoln
7	Max Blanc	QB	6-5	210	So.	Bethel Park, Pa./Bethel Park
7	Jace Tutty	DB	6-0	195	Jr.	Stroudsburg, Pa./Stroudsburg
8	Mike Wells	LB	6-3	250	So.	New Castle, Pa./New Castle
9	Jeremiah Robinson	DB	6-0	190	Jr.	Petal, Miss./Petal
9	Joey Farthing	WR	6-4	200	So.	Dover, Ohio/Dover
10	Jordan Rudolph	DB	5-11	170	So.	Lewis Center, Ohio/Olentangy Orange
10	Tyson King	TB	5-11	220	Sr.	Kankakee, Ill./Bishop McNamara
11	Bryce Schondelmyer	QB	6-2	190	RFr.	Springfield, Ohio/Springfield
11	Dathan Hickey	DB	6-1	200	Sr.	Bristol, Conn./Bristol Central
12	Dallas Harper	DB	6-1	190	RFr.	Pittsburgh, Pa./Gateway
12	Beau Brungard	QB	6-0	215	So.	New Middletown, Ohio/Springfield Local
13	Daryan Bowling	WR	6-4	200	Jr.	Hamilton, Ohio/Hamilton
13	DJ Harris	DB	5-11	185	Jr.	North Canton, Ohio/Jackson
14	Dominic Julius	LB	6-2	200	So.	Philadelphia, Pa./Fork Union
14	Jawon Hall	WR	6-1	185	Sr.	Pittsburgh, Pa./Central Valley
15	Solomon Farrell	LB	6-4	215	Fr.	Cincinnati, Ohio/Princeton
15	Brandon Serrano	TE	6-0	250	Sr.	Struthers, Ohio/Struthers
16	Vinny Ballone	TE	6-5	250	RFr.	Lowellville, Ohio/Lowellville
16	Jabarrek Hopkins	DL	6-4	280	Jr.	Greenville, Fla./Madison County
17	Alex McDonald	TE	6-4	250	So.	Chardon, Ohio/Chardon
18	Cyrus Traugh	WR	6-0	180	RFr.	Parkersburg, W. Va./South
18	Cole Parvin	DB	6-0	195	Sr.	Leesburg, Va./Independence
19	Brandon Chambers Jr.	DB	6-0	180	Fr.	Farrell, Pa./Farrell
19	Colin Seibert	QB	6-4	190	Fr.	Cleveland, Ohio/Brecksville-Broadview Hts
20	Payton Edwards	DB	6-0	185	Sr.	Port St. Joe, Fla./Amos P. Godby
22	Dashawn Carter	DL	6-3	240	RFr.	McKeesport, Pa./South Allegheny
22	Matt Reardon	WR	6-1	190	Jr.	Youngstown, Ohio/Ursuline
23	Jaden Gilbert	TB	5-10	180	RFr.	Elyria, Ohio/Elyria
23	Stephen Henderson	LB	6-2	225	Fr.	Cleveland, Ohio/Shaker Heights
24	Da'Shaun Whatley	TB	5-9	190	So.	Cleveland, Ohio/Glenville
24	Andrew Lastovka	PK	5-8	170	So.	Sagamore Hills, Ohio/Nordonia
25	DeVaughn McClinton	DB	5-10	170	RFr.	Pittsburgh, Pa./Woodland Hills
25	Cephus Harris III	TB	5-9	210	So.	Clinton Twp, Mich./Chippewa Valley
26	Javien Brownlee	WR	5-10	170	Fr.	Dayton, Ohio/Northmont
26	Tino Pesce	DB	5-10	180	So.	Hubbard, Ohio/Hubbard
27	Andrew Centofanti	DB	6-0	220	Jr.	Poland, Ohio/Poland
28	Antuan Gardner	TB	6-0	210	Fr.	Niles, Ohio/Niles McKinley
28	DeYor Brumfield	DB	6-1	200	Fr.	Cincinnati, Ohio/LaSalle
29	Jarin Davis	DB	5-11	165	Jr.	Fort Lauderdale, Fla./St. Thomas
31	Jonathan Schmidt	PK	5-7	180	Jr.	Canfield, Ohio/Canfield
32	Antwan Brown	TB	5-10	170	RFr.	Warren, Ohio/Warren JFK
32	Preston Zandier	LB	6-0	225	Jr.	Pittsburgh, Pa./Thomas Jefferson
34	Logan Pasco	LB	6-0	225	Sr.	Davison, Mich./Davison
34	Josh Wilkins	PK	5-10	160	Fr.	Bessemer, Pa./Mohawk
35	Graydon Rollins	LB	6-1	220	Fr.	Elyria, Ohio/Elyria Catholic
35	George Gabriel	LS	6-1	215	Fr.	Youngstown, Ohio/Cardinal Mooney
36	Gino Calabrette	LB	6-1	215	So.	Struthers, Ohio/Struthers
37	Anthony Carter	DB	6-0	190	Fr.	Youngstown, Ohio/Struthers
39	Ross Davidson	DB	6-2	195	Fr.	Salem, Ohio/Salem
40	Brendon Kilpatrick	P	6-2	220	Jr.	Cortland, Ohio/Lakeview
41	Remy Bose	LB	6-1	215	Fr.	Pittsburgh, Pa./Gateway
42	Stephen Byrd	TB	6-0	215	So.	Canal Winchester, Ohio/Canal Winchester
42	Michael Voitus	DL	6-1	240	Jr.	Poland, Ohio/Poland
44	Nehemiah Dukes	DL	6-2	280	So.	Douglasville, Ga./Alexander
45	Devin Johnson	LB	6-0	215	Sr.	Paintsville, Ky./Johnson Central
45	Micheal Manna	TE	6-3	220	Fr.	Lauderhill, Fla./American Heritage
46	Caleb Mitchell	TB	5-10	200	Sr.	Steubenville, Ohio/Steubenville
48	Colin Rutland	TE	6-7	240	Fr.	Reston, Va./South Lakes
48	Andrew Jackson-Dunaway	DL	6-2	235	Fr.	Miamisburg, Ohio/Miamisburg
49	Alex Grace	P	6-4	190	Fr.	Cincinnati, Ohio/Indian Hills

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown/High School
49	Cruz Mobley	LB	6-3	240	RFr.	Nellie, Ohio/River View
50	Grant Woods	LB	6-2	230	So.	Mayfield, Ohio/Mayfield
51	Chris Sammarone	LB	5-11	220	Jr.	Canfield, Ohio/Canfield
52	Nick Bowser	DL	6-0	300	Fr.	Hubbard, Ohio/Hubbard
53	Ethan Coe	LB	5-10	215	So.	Cincinnati, Ohio/Moeller
54	Jaison Williams	OL	6-4	320	Sr.	Trotwood, Ohio/Trotwood-Madison
55	Ben Fosnot	OL	6-6	230	RFr.	Mason, Ohio/Mason
55	Bryson Hobbs	DL	6-6	240	RFr.	Indianapolis, Ind./Park Tudor
56	Connor Johannesen	DL	6-4	275	RFr.	Parsippany, N.J./Parsippany Hills
56	Aidan Parker	OL	6-2	300	Sr.	Westfield, Ind./Westfield
57	Easton Korody	OL	6-4	305	So.	Carey, Ohio/Carey
59	LJ Layson	DL	6-0	300	RFr.	Toledo, Ohio/Lima
59	Joe Sfera	OL	6-3	305	So.	Boardman, Ohio/Boardman
62	Shane Keenan	OL	6-5	305	So.	Toronto, Ohio/Toronto
64	Matt Keeley	OL	6-3	285	RFr.	Niles, Ohio/Niles McKinley
66	Wyatt Minor	OL	6-5	315	RFr.	Clarksburg, W. Va./Robert C. Byrd
67	Van Keen	OL	6-4	305	So.	Stow, Ohio/Stow-Munroe Falls
68	TJ Fulgham	OL	6-5	310	RFr.	Circleville, Ohio/Circleville
69	Nate Williams	OL	6-5	325	Jr.	Poland, Ohio/Poland
70	Max Lockett	OL	6-7	275	RFr.	Springfield, Mass./Central
71	Dallas McCracken	OL	6-2	285	Fr.	Hanoverton, Ohio/United
72	Mason Ludwig	OL	6-5	295	RFr.	East Liverpool, Ohio/East Liverpool
73	David Metzler	OL	6-5	320	Sr.	Hilliard, Ohio/Hilliard Bradley
75	Karter Kellgren	OL	6-4	315	Jr.	Poland, Ohio/Poland
76	Nick Nielsen	OL	6-6	270	RFr.	Warren, Mich./De La Salle
77	Sebastian Espinoza	OL	6-7	300	RFr.	Mount Washington, Ky./Bullitt East
78	Desmeal Leigh	OL	6-7	325	So.	Kent, Ohio/Kent Roosevelt
80	Maddox Bloomgren	TE	6-4	255	Fr.	Austin, Texas/Dripping Springs
81	Dalen Stovall	WR	6-3	190	Jr.	Stow, Ohio/Stow-Munroe Falls
82	Andrew Jacobs	WR	5-11	185	So.	Severn, Md./Saint Frances Academy
83	Anthony Fuline	WR	5-11	170	Fr.	Massillon, Ohio/Jackson
84	Cameron Davenport	WR	5-10	190	RFr.	Youngstown, Ohio/Valley Christian
85	Austin Bray	TE	6-5	255	Jr.	Venice, Fla./Venice
86	Tyler Sanchez	WR	5-10	175	RFr.	Struthers, Ohio/Struthers
87	Kadden Mobley	TE	6-4	245	RFr.	Warsaw, Ohio/River View
88	Jaelen Crider	DL	6-3	310	Jr.	Stow, Ohio/Stow-Munroe Falls
89	Colt Sechrest	TE	6-4	255	So.	Bellarie, Ohio/Bellarie
90	Ebony Curry Jr.	DL	6-5	250	RFr.	Hamilton, Ohio/Hamilton
91	Dawan Martin	DL	6-4	230	Jr.	Youngstown, Ohio/East
92	Devaughn Perkins	DL	6-0	320	Fr.	Indianapolis, Ind./Cathedral
93	Hunter Allen	DL	6-5	260	Sr.	Canal Winchester, Ohio/Canal Winchester
94	Ajayi Ajaga	DL	6-4	230	So.	Grayslake, Ill./Carmel Catholic
96	Brendan Tabachnick	DL	6-5	235	Fr.	Cleveland, Ohio/North Royalton
97	Tyler Bukur	DL	6-3	285	Sr.	Valparaiso, Ind./Valparaiso
98	Michael Boyd Jr.	DL	6-3	285	So.	Sylvania, Ga./Severen County
99	Joe Bown	DL	6-2	335	Jr.	Flint, Mich./Desert Pines (Nevada)

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Doug Phillips (Toledo, 1991) Fifth Season

Assistant Coaches and Staff:

Troy Rothenbuhler | Ohio State, 1995; Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
Austen Bujnoch | Cincinnati, 2014; Co-Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line
John Haneline | Bowling Green, 2009; Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers
Christian Dukes | Toledo, 2015; Recruiting Coordinator/Cornerbacks
Pat Shepard | Miami (Ohio), 2009; Special Teams Coordinator/OLBs
Jelani Berrasa | Youngstown State, 2013; Wide Receivers
Ray Hunter | Central Missouri, 2014; Defensive Line
Trent Voss | Toledo, 2015; Safeties
Reggie Gamble | Ashland, 2009; Tight Ends
Jeremy Larkin | Northwestern, 2020; Running Backs
Tom Phillips | Akron, 1987; Director of Football Operations
Tony Chiaro | Youngstown State, 2022; Director of Player Development
Rollen Smith | Arkansas, 1976; Assistant Director of Football Operations
Mike Tomczak | Ohio State, 1985; Advisor to the Head Coach
Kyle Hazell | Dayton, 2023; Offensive Assistant
Hunter Krause | Georgetown (Ky.), 2022; Defensive Assistant
Jeff Wilkins | Youngstown State, 1994; Special Teams Assistant
Mason Garrison | Cincinnati, 2020; Sports Performance Coordinator
Mark Preto | Akron, 1990; Video Coordinator
Drew Wilson | Utah, 2014; Athletic Trainer

THE LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

A Kickoff Returned For A Touchdown

YSU: Latrell Fordham (98 yards) vs. Indiana State | 10/15/2022
Opponent: Tony Tate (95 yards), Western Illinois | 4/3/2021

A Punt Returned for a Touchdown

YSU: Jake Coates (63 yards) vs. Robert Morris | 9/28/2019
Opponent: Michael Lawson (36 yards), Western Illinois | 4/3/2021

An Interception Returned for a Touchdown

YSU: Zaire Jones (30 yards) vs. Illinois State | 11/23/2019
Opponent: Don Gardner (42 yards), South Dakota State | 10/12/2019

A Fumble Returned for a Touchdown

YSU: Cash Mitchell vs. Samford (26 yards) | 8/24/2019
Opponent: Jonas Griffin, Indiana State (80 yards) | 10/27/2018

Blocked Punt Returned for a Touchdown

YSU: Jaylen Castleberry vs. Valparaiso | 8/31/2023
Opponent: Cole Davis, North Dakota | 10/8/2022

Blocked Field Goal Returned for a Touchdown

YSU: Lenny Wicks (79 yards) at North Dakota State | 11/21/2009
Opponent: Damon Gladney (64), McNeese State | 9/23/1995

Individual Rushed For 200+ Yards

YSU: Jaleel McLaughlin (227 yards) at Missouri State | 11/12/2022
Opponent: James Robinson (256 yards), Illinois State | 11/17/2018

70-Yard Rush

YSU: Demeatric Crenshaw (73 yards) vs. Missouri State | 10/9/2021
Opponent: Justin Dinka (75 yards), Indiana State | 10/15/2022

80-Yard Rush

YSU: Joe Craycraft (80 yards) at Indiana State | 11/16/2019
Opponent: TK Marshall (84 yards), North Dakota State | 11/13/2021

30 Carries

YSU: Jaleel McLaughlin (32) at Western Illinois | 10/22/2022
Opponent: Rameses Owens (33) Robert Morris | 9/12/2015

40 Carries

YSU: Jamaine Cook (42) vs. South Dakota | 11/3/2012
Opponent: Herb Donaldson (40), Western Illinois | 11/22/2008

Three Rushing Touchdowns

YSU: Tyshon King (3) vs. Robert Morris | 9/16/2023
Opponent: James Robinson (3), Illinois State | 10/28/2017

Individual Pass For 300+ Yards

YSU: Mitch Davidson (316 yards) vs. Duquesne | 11/25/2023
Opponent: Jordan Pachot (341 yards), Missouri State | 10/28/2023

Three or More Passing Touchdowns

YSU: Mitch Davidson (3) at Villanova | 12/2/2023
Opponent: Zack Annexstad (5), Illinois State | 10/21/2023

30-or-More Completions

YSU: Mitch Davidson (30) at UNI | 9/30/2023
Opponent: Connor Sampson (33), Western Illinois | 9/25/2021

40-or-More Passing Attempts

YSU: Mitch Davidson (44) at Villanova | 12/2/2023
Opponent: Joe Mischler (41), Duquesne | 9/3/2022

50-or-More Passing Attempts

YSU: Montgomery VanGorder (57) at Western Illinois | 9/29/2018
Opponent: Devlin Hodges (51), Samford | 11/26/2016

100 Yards Rushing/100 Yards Passing

YSU: Joe Craycraft (123 Rush/181 Pass) at Indiana State | 11/16/2019
Opponent: Easton Stick (172 Rush/113 Pass) | 10/14/2017

Two Players Rush For 100+ Yards

YSU: Tyshon King (148), Dra Rushton (109) vs. Illinois State | 10/21/2023
Opponent: TK Marshall (146), TaMerik Williams (137); NDSU | 11/13/2021

Individual With 100+ Yards Receiving

YSU: Max Tomczak (105 yards) at Villanova | 12/2/2023
Opponent: Raylen Sharpe (109 yards); Missouri State | 10/28/2023

70-Yard Reception

YSU: Mitch Davidson to CJ Charleston (72 yards) vs. Illinois State | 10/21/2023
Opponent: Kyle McCord to Marvin Harrison Jr., OSU (71 yards) | 9/9/2023

80-Yard Reception

YSU: Hunter Wells to Darien Townsend (85 yards) at Jacksonville St. | 12/3/2016
Opponent: Payton Thorne to Jayden Reed, MSU (85 yards) | 9/11/2021

Two Players with 100+ Yards Receiving

YSU: CJ Charleston (118)/Bryce Oliver (108) vs. Robert Morris | 9/16/2023
Opponent: Abdul Janneh (121), Dwayne Menders (102); Duquesne | 9/3/2022

10-or-More Receptions In One Game

YSU: Max Tomczak (10) vs. Indiana State | 11/4/2023
Opponent: Daniel Sobkowicz (11), Illinois State | 10/21/2023

60-Yard Punt

YSU: Mark Schuler (61 yards) at Illinois State | 11/17/2018
Opponent: Evan Matthes (70 yards), Valparaiso | 8/31/2023

70-Yard Punt

YSU: Mark Schuler (74 yards) vs. Samford | 11/26/2016
Opponent: Evan Matthes (70 yards), Valparaiso | 8/31/2023

Player Blocked A Punt

YSU: Deamontae Diggs vs. Missouri State | 10/28/2023
Opponent: Brian Bruce, Western Illinois | 10/22/2022

Player Blocked a Field Goal

YSU: Keyon Martin at Western Illinois | 4/3/2021
Opponent: Ryan Van Marel, South Dakota State | 3/13/2021

Player Made Four Field Goals In One Game

YSU: Andrew Lastovka (4) vs. Duquesne | 11/25/2023
Opponent: Ryan Pretorius (4), Ohio State | 8/30/2008

50-Yard Field Goal

YSU: Andrew Lastovka (50 yards) vs. Duquesne | 11/25/2023
Opponent: Cole Frahm (52 yards), South Dakota State | 10/30/2021

Non-Quarterback to Throw a Touchdown Pass

YSU: Jamaine Cook 23-yard pass to Will Shaw at Pittsburgh | 9/1/2012
Opponent: Sam Woods 52-yard pass to Eldin Anu; Robert Morris | 9/17/2016

Multiple Interceptions

YSU: Marcus Hooker (2) vs. Southern Illinois | 11/19/2022
Opponent: JJ Henderson (2), Indiana State | 10/23/2021

Recorded a Safety

YSU: Armand Dellovade tackled SDSU's Mikey Daniel in end zone | 9/30/2017
Opponent: Illinois State blocked punt out of end zone | 11/14/2009

Team Passed for 300+ Yards

YSU: 415 vs. Missouri State | 10/28/2023
Opponent: 341, Missouri State | 10/28/2023

Team Rushed For 400+ Yards

YSU: 454 vs. Howard | 9/7/2019
Opponent: 454, North Dakota State | 11/13/2021

Team Had 500+ Yards Total Offense

YSU: 532 vs. Duquesne | 11/25/2023
Opponent: 623, North Dakota State | 11/13/2021

A Team Accounted for 30+ First Downs

YSU: 31 vs. Robert Morris | 9/16/2023
Opponent: 30, Michigan State | 9/14/2013

Defensive Two-Point Scored

YSU: None
Opponent: South Dakota State | 10/30/2021

No Penalties

YSU: at UNI | 10/2/2021
Opponent: Pittsburgh | 9/2/2017

RUSHING CAREER HIGHS

#1 • Latrell Fordham

Attempts 1 vs. Indiana State (2022)
Yards 14 vs. Indiana State (2022)
Longest Rush 14 vs. Indiana State (2022)

#10 • Tyshon King

Attempts 24 vs. Illinois State (2023)
Yards 152 at Murray State (2023)
Longest Rush 62 vs. Valparaiso (2023)
Touchdowns 3 vs. Robert Morris (2023)

#12 • Beau Brungard

Attempts 5 vs. Valparaiso (2023)
Yards 59 at Indiana State (2023)
Longest Rush 37 at Indiana State (2023)
Touchdowns 1; Three times

#24 • Da'Shaun Whatley

Attempts 5 vs. Valparaiso (2023)
Yards 59 vs. Valparaiso (2023)
Longest Rush 54 vs. Valparaiso (2023)
Touchdowns 1 vs. Valparaiso (2023)

#25 • Cephus Harris III

Attempts 7 vs. Valparaiso (2023)
Yards 57 vs. Valparaiso (2023)
Longest Rush 29 vs. Valparaiso (2023)

#46 • Caleb Mitchell

Attempts 3 vs. Valparaiso (2023)
Yards 25 vs. Valparaiso (2023)
Longest Rush 14 vs. Valparaiso (2023)

PASSING CAREER HIGHS

#12 • Beau Brungard

Completions 5 vs. Valparaiso (2023); at Ohio State (2023)
Attempts 8 at Ohio State (2023)
Yards 39 vs. Valparaiso (2023)
Longest Pass 18 vs. Valparaiso (2023); at Ohio State (2023)

RECEIVING CAREER HIGHS

#1 • Latrell Fordham

Receptions	5 vs. North Dakota (2022)
Yards	46 vs. Indiana State (2022)
Longest Catch	24 vs. Indiana State (2022)
Touchdowns	1 vs. Dayton (2022)

#4 • Max Tomczak

Receptions	10 at Indiana State (2023)
Yards	134 at South Dakota (2023)
Longest Catch	66 at South Dakota (2023)
Touchdowns	1; Three times

#6 • Luke Hensley

Receptions	4 at Michigan State (2021)
Yards	58 vs. Southern Illinois (2022)
Longest Catch	39 vs. North Dakota (2022)
Touchdowns	1; Three times

#9 • Joey Farthing

Receptions	4 at Villanova (2023)
Yards	73 at Villanova (2023)
Longest Catch	65 at South Dakota (2023)
Touchdowns	2 at Villanova (2023)

#10 • Tyshon King

Receptions	3; Three times
Yards	25 at Indiana State (2023); at Villanova (2023)
Longest Catch	20 at Indiana State (2023)

#13 • Daryan Bowling

Receptions	1 vs. South Dakota (2022); at Ohio State (2023)
Yards	19 vs. South Dakota (2022)
Longest Catch	19 vs. South Dakota (2022)

#15 • Brandon Serrano

Receptions	3 vs. South Dakota (2022); vs. Robert Morris (2023)
Yards	30 vs. South Dakota (2022)
Longest Catch	16 vs. South Dakota (2022)
Touchdowns	1; Three times

#18 • Cyrus Traugh

Receptions	2 vs. Missouri State (2023)
Yards	69 vs. Missouri State (2023)
Longest Catch	57 vs. Missouri State (2023)

#24 • Da'Shaun Whatley

Receptions	1 at Ohio State (2023)
Yards	2 at Ohio State (2023)
Longest Catch	2 at Ohio State (2023)

#89 • Colt Sechrest

Receptions	2; Three times
Yards	22 vs. Duquesne (2023)
Longest Catch	14 vs. Duquesne (2023)
Touchdowns	1 at Murray State (2023)

DEFENSE CAREER HIGHS

#3 • Jaylen Castleberry

Total Tackles 6 vs. South Dakota State (2023)
Solo Tackles 5 vs. South Dakota State (2023)

#8 • Michael Wells

Total Tackles 1; Three times
Solo Tackles 1; Three times

#10 • Jordan Rudolph

Total Tackles 1 vs. Valparaiso (2023)

#14 • Dominic Julius

Total Tackles 2 vs. Robert Morris (2023)
Solo Tackles 2 vs. Robert Morris (2023)

#27 • Andrew Centofanti

Total Tackles 3 vs. Valparaiso (2023)

#33 • Preston Zandier

Total Tackles 3 vs. Duquesne (2023)
Solo Tackles 1; Four times

#34 • Logan Pasco

Total Tackles 3 at Kentucky (2022); vs. Duquesne (2023)
Solo Tackles 2; Four times

#42 • Michael Voit

Total Tackles 5 at Missouri State (2022)
Solo Tackles 3 at Missouri State (2022)

#45 • Devin Johnson

Total Tackles 5; Three times
Solo Tackles 4 vs. Valparaiso (2023)
Interceptions 2 vs. Duquesne (2022)

#88 • Jaelen Crider

Total Tackles 4 at Illinois State (2022)
Solo Tackles 1; Three times

#91 • Dawan Martin

Total Tackles 5 vs. Dayton (2022)
Solo Tackles 4 vs. Dayton (2022)

#93 • Hunter Allen

Total Tackles 5 at Indiana State (2021); vs. Southern Illinois (2022)
Solo Tackles 4 vs. North Dakota State (2021)

SPECIAL TEAMS HIGHS

#1 • Latrell Fordham

Kickoff Returns: 3 vs. Indiana State (2022); at Ohio State (2023)

Kickoff Return Yards: 139 vs. Indiana State (2022)

Longest Kickoff Return: 98 vs. Indiana State (2022)

#4 • Max Tomczak

Punt Returns: 2 at Indiana State (2023)

Punt Return Yards: 20 at Indiana State (2023)

Longest Punt Return: 11 at UNI (2023)

#12 • Beau Brungard

Punt Returns: 1 at Murray State (2023)

Punt Return Yards: 27 at Murray State (2023)

Longest Punt Return: 27 at Murray State (2023)

#24 • Andrew Lastovka

FG Attempts: 4 vs. Duquesne (2023)

FGs Made: 4 vs. Duquesne (2023)

Longest FG: 50 vs. Duquesne (2023)

#40 • Brendon Kilpatrick

Punts: 6 at Ohio State (2023)

Punting Yards: 270 at Ohio State (2023)

Longest Punt: 58 at Ohio State (2023)

ADDITIONAL LAST TIMES:

Posted a Shutout	
vs. Robert Morris (30-0)	9/9/2017
Posted Consecutive Shutouts	
vs. Wofford (28-0)	8/29/1996
vs. Slippery Rock (22-0)	9/7/1996
Two Shutouts in Same Season	
at Liberty (42-0)	9/17/2005
at Indiana State (45-0)	10/8/2005
Scored 60 Points	
at Indiana State (66-24)	11/4/2017
Scored 50 Points	
vs. Valparaiso (52-10)	8/31/2023
Scored 40 Points	
vs. Duquesne (40-7)	11/25/2023
Scored 30 Points	
vs. Duquesne (40-7)	11/25/2023
Scored 50 Points in Consecutive Games	
vs. Morgan State (57-22)	9/21/1991
vs. Northeastern (59-7)	9/28/1991
Scored 40 Points in Consecutive Games	
vs. Illinois State (41-38)	10/30/2023
vs. Missouri State (44-28)	10/30/2023
Played a One-Point Game	
at Western Illinois (W, 28-27)	10/22/2022
Played a One-Point Game at Home	
vs. UNI (L, 20-21)	10/25/2008
Played an Overtime Game	
vs. UIW (W, 44-41)	9/4/2021
Played an Overtime Game at Home	
vs. UIW (W, 44-41)	9/4/2021
Played an Overtime Game Away	
at Pittsburgh (L, 21-28)	9/2/2017
Held Scoreless	
South Dakota State (0-34)	11/11/2023
Held Scoreless at Home	
South Dakota State (0-34)	11/11/2023
Held Scoreless in Consecutive Games	
at Tampa (0-49)	10/2/1971
at Northern Michigan (0-29)	10/9/1971
Held Scoreless Twice in a Season	
at Ohio State (0-43)	9/1/2008
Southern Illinois (0-33)	10/18/2008
Allowed 60 Points	
at Akron (27-60)	11/8/1969
Allowed 50 Points	
at South Dakota (21-56)	11/9/2019
Allowed 40 Points	
at Villanova (28-45)	12/2/2023
Allowed 40 Points at Home	
Indiana State (48-42)	10/15/2022
Allowed 40 Points in Consecutive Games	
UIW (41-44)	9/2/2021
Michigan State (42-14)	9/11/2021
Allowed 30 Points	
at Villanova (28-45)	12/2/2023
Allowed 30 Points at Home	
South Dakota State (0-34)	11/11/2023
Scoreless Second Half (Both Teams)	
YSU at Western Illinois	10/3/1998
Scoreless First Half (Both Teams)	
YSU at Richmond	11/25/2000

Game-By-Game Team Statistics

Youngstown State	Rushing	Passing	Total Offense	First Downs	Fumbles	Time	Third Down	4th Down	Penalties	Red Zone
Valparaiso	41-302	16-26-169	67-461	21	0-0	34:29	6-11	0-0	8-91	5-6
Ohio State	33-99	17-26-135	59-234	12	2-0	34:00	7-15	0-1	9-76	1-1
Robert Morris	43-256	21-26-339	69-595	31	1-1	35:02	4-7	0-0	9-53	6-6
UNI	27-85	31-41-333	68-418	20	0-0	33:23	5-13	0-1	4-12	7-8
Southern Illinois	47-167	14-18-156	65-323	17	3-1	37:39	7-14	2-2	4-24	3-5
South Dakota	35-178	15-26-267	61-445	17	2-2	29:45	3-10	1-1	10-75	3-3
Illinois State	50-267	16-25-203	75-470	23	0-0	35:06	3-13	4-4	5-55	5-5
Missouri State	32-106	27-34-415	66-521	22	0-0	34:02	7-13	0-0	7-71	6-6
Indiana State	38-132	25-37-254	75-386	23	0-0	39:29	7-17	0-0	10-83	2-3
South Dakota State	25-47	18-30-160	55-207	16	1-0	26:29	2-11	0-2	4-25	0-3
Murray State	43-206	23-26-156	69-362	22	1-0	39:37	7-14	2-3	1-15	5-6
Duquesne	46-210	20-29-322	75-532	25	3-0	42:27	9-15	1-2	5-50	5-6
Villanova	30-82	27-44-287	74-369	19	1-0	34:49	4-16	3-4	6-60	4-4

Opponent	Rushing	Passing	Total Offense	First Downs	Fumbles	Time	Third Down	4th Down	Penalties	Red Zone
Valparaiso	26-40	17-30-155	56-195	14	3-3	25:31	4-13	0-1	2-10	2-3
Ohio State	27-123	21-33-359	60-482	23	1-0	26:00	5-12	2-3	6-65	1-2
Robert Morris	22-111	20-32-179	54-290	17	1-0	24:58	5-13	1-1	10-71	2-2
UNI	28-99	21-29-337	57-436	24	0-0	26:37	3-10	0-0	4-44	3-3
Southern Illinois	23-6	12-27-94	50-100	8	0-0	22:21	2-13	2-4	5-45	1-1
South Dakota	26-106	24-40-369	58-475	20	3-2	30:15	3-9	0-0	4-30	1-1
Illinois State	29-203	23-36-238	65-441	26	0-0	24:54	3-11	0-0	6-75	4-4
Missouri State	27-95	25-40-341	67-436	21	0-0	25:58	6-13	1-1	11-93	2-3
Indiana State	23-66	9-24-125	47-191	13	1-1	20:31	0-10	1-2	4-42	0-1
South Dakota State	29-166	22-33-324	62-490	22	1-0	33:31	6-13	1-1	12-119	4-4
Murray State	18-49	14-32-257	50-306	14	2-0	20:23	2-9	1-3	3-33	2-2
Duquesne	22-74	9-22-74	44-148	8	2-0	17:33	1-11	1-2	5-30	0-0
Villanova	32-191	12-21-275	53-466	19	1-0	25:11	2-7	0-0	5-60	5-5

Game-by-Game Rushing

Opponent	King Att.-Yds.-TD	Rushton Att.-Yds.-TD	Whatley Att.-Yds.-TD	Harris Att.-Yds.-TD	Davidson Att.-Yds.-TD	Brungard Att.-Yds.-TD	Mitchell Att.-Yds.-TD	Walker Att.-Yds.-TD
Valparaiso	11-111-2	DNP	5-59-1	7-57-0	4-22-1	5-20-1	3-25-0	4-10-0
Ohio State	12-66-0	9-22-0	3-7-0	1-3-0	6-(-2)-1	2-3-0	DNP	0-0-0
Robert Morris	12-117-3	14-55-2	4-11-0	1-6-0	5-42-1	4-24-0	0-0-0	1-3-0
UNI	8-33-1	10-34-1	DNP	DNP	7-18-1	2-0-0	DNP	DNP
Southern Illinois	22-117-2	17-52-2	2-11-0	DNP	3-(-13)-0	0-0-0	DNP	1-2-0
South Dakota	10-39-0	16-116-1	1-4-0	DNP	5-11-0	3-8-0	DNP	DNP
Illinois State	24-148-1	19-109-0	DNP	DNP	4-6-0	3-4-0	DNP	0-0-0
Missouri State	13-42-0	15-56-1	DNP	DNP	2-9-0	2-(-1)-0	DNP	DNP
Indiana State	18-49-0	10-24-0	0-0-0	DNP	7-0-1	3-59-1	DNP	DNP
South Dakota State	7-20-0	7-17-0	3-11-0	DNP	7-(-3)-0	1-2-0	DNP	DNP
Murray State	23-152-0	17-57-1	DNP	DNP	2-(-2)-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP
Duquesne	19-101-0	16-74-1	1-7-0	3-11-0	0-0-0	3-10-0	DNP	DNP
Villanova	8-16-0	13-48-0	DNP	DNP	9-18-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP

Game-by-Game Receiving

Opponent	Oliver No.-Yds.-TD	Tomczak No.-Yds.-TD	Charleston No.-Yds.-TD	Serrano No.-Yds.-TD	Hensley No.-Yds.-TD	Benio No.-Yds.-TD	Farthing No.-Yds.-TD	Bowling No.-Yds.-TD	Whatley No.-Yds.-TD	King No.-Yds.-TD	Sechrest No.-Yds.-TD	Rushton No.-Yds.-TD	Traugh No.-Yds.-TD
Valparaiso	5-65-0	1-6-0	4-47-1	1-12-0	1-6-0	0-0-0	1-10-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-1-0	DNP	DNP
Ohio State	6-37-0	3-53-0	1-7-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	1-18-0	1-2-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP
Robert Morris	6-108-0	1-28-0	6-119-0	3-24-0	0-0-0	1-15-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-19-0	2-12-0	1-14-0	DNP
UNI	7-111-1	7-51-0	5-88-0	1-11-0	1-9-1	3-17-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	3-15-0	DNP	4-31-0	DNP
Southern Illinois	5-76-0	1-18-0	3-28-0	2-14-0	0-0-0	1-11-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-3-0	0-0-0	1-6-0	DNP
South Dakota	3-16-1	6-134-1	2-20-0	1-5-0	0-0-0	1-22-0	1-65-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-5-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP
Illinois State	1-15-1	1-5-0	2-81-1	DNP	1-(-3)-0	4-19-0	1-33-1	0-0-0	DNP	1-8-0	1-4-0	4-41-1	DNP
Missouri State	6-169-2	5-52-0	3-51-1	DNP	2-21-0	3-13-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	2-30-0	2-6-0	1-6-0	2-69-0
Indiana State	3-67-0	10-81-0	2-18-0	0-0-0	2-17-0	DNP	1-10-0	0-0-0	DNP	3-25-0	0-0-0	2-15-0	1-12-0
South Dakota St.	3-21-0	5-57-0	1-22-0	1-4-0	3-20-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	3-19-0	0-0-0	2-17-0	DNP
Murray State	8-74-2	6-46-0	2-11-0	2-5-1	2-(-2)-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	1-7-1	2-15-0	DNP
Duquesne	8-181-1	1-33-0	2-11-0	1-15-0	1-(-3)-0	DNP	1-31-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-22-0	1-6-0	DNP
Villanova	3-38-0	9-105-0	0-0-0	2-3-0	2-21-1	DNP	4-73-2	0-0-0	DNP	3-25-0	2-4-0	1-8-0	DNP

Quarterbacks Game-by-Game Passing

Opponent	Davidson Comp.-Att.-TD-INT-LG-Yds	Brungard Comp.-Att.-TD-INT-LG-Yds
Valparaiso	11-19-1-0-31-130	5-7-0-0-18-39
Ohio State	12-18-0-0-36-98	5-8-0-1-18-37
Robert Morris	21-25-1-1-71-339	0-1-0-0-0-0
UNI	30-40-2-1-61-339	1-1-0-0-1-1
Southern Illinois	14-18-0-1-39-156	0-0-0-0-0-0
South Dakota	15-26-3-0-66-267	0-0-0-0-0-0
Illinois State	16-25-4-0-72-203	0-0-0-0-0-0
Missouri State	26-33-4-0-57-390	1-1-0-0-25-25
Indiana State	25-37-0-0-35-254	0-0-0-0-0-0
South Dakota State	18-30-0-1-23-160	0-0-0-0-0-0
Murray State	23-26-4-0-20-156	0-0-0-0-0-0
Duquesne	18-27-2-0-45-316	2-2-0-0-9-6
Villanova	27-44-3-2-34-287	0-0-0-0-0-0

SCORING DRIVES BREAKDOWN

YSU Longest Drives Breakdown

by # of Plays	16 vs. Duquesne
by # of Yards	96 vs. Southern Illinois
Time of Possession	10:57 (16 plays, 68 yards) vs. Duquesne

Scoring Drives

69 • Drives (27 run, 25 pass, 18 FG)

- 17 • First Quarter Drives (8 run, 5 pass, 4 FG)
- 16 • Second Quarter Drives (4 run, 9 pass, 3 FG)
- 18 • Third Quarter Drives (8 run, 3 pass, 7 FG)
- 18 • Fourth Quarter Drives (7 run, 7 pass, 3 FG)
- 0 • OT Drives (0 run, 0 pass, 0 FG)

Most Points in a Quarter: 28 vs. Valparaíso (3rd)

Most Points in a Half: 35 vs. Valparaíso (2nd)

Scoreless Quarters: 9

Opponent Longest Drives Breakdown

by # of Plays	14; South Dakota State
by # of Yards	97; Villanova
Time of Possession	7:47 (14 plays, 70 yards) South Dakota State

Scoring Drives

56 • Drives (16 run, 28 pass, 10 FG)

- 12 • First Quarter Drives (3 run, 7 pass, 2 FG)
- 21 • Second Quarter Drives (5 run, 12 pass, 4 FG)
- 11 • Third Quarter Drives (2 run, 7 pass, 2 FG)
- 9 • Fourth Quarter Drives (6 run, 1 pass, 2 FG)
- 0 • OT Drives (0 run, 0 pass, 0 FG)

Most Points in a Quarter: 21; UNI (3rd); Illinois State (2nd)

Most Points in a Half: 28: Ohio State (1st); Illinois State (1st)

Scoreless Quarters: 16

Game-Opening Drives

Game	YSU			Opponent		
	Pts.	Plays	Yds	Pts.	Plays	Yds
Valparaíso	0	3	5	0	3	5
Ohio State	7	11	75	7	4	76
Robert Morris	7	9	65	7	10	64
UNI	3	5	67	0	3	-1
Southern Illinois	7	7	75	0	10	25
South Dakota	0	4	23	3	8	34
Illinois State	7	11	51	0	3	-2
Missouri State	7	8	75	7	4	45
Indiana State	0	5	32	0	4	15
South Dakota St.	0	3	5	3	14	70
Murray State	7	10	75	7	5	67
Duquesne	7	3	60	0	3	1
Villanova	0	3	4	7	6	88

Second-Half Opening Drives

Game	YSU			Opponent		
	Pts.	Plays	Yds	Pts.	Plays	Yds
Valparaíso	7	7	32	0	3	-10
Ohio State	0	11	43	0	3	7
Robert Morris	7	10	92	0	7	25
UNI	0	3	5	3	8	60
Southern Illinois	0	8	30	0	4	15
South Dakota	7	3	76	7	10	83
Illinois State	0	3	-6	0	3	6
Missouri State	7	4	75	7	6	77
Indiana State	3	14	79	0	5	14
South Dakota St.	0	11	70	7	1	56
Murray State	7	12	69	0	8	44
Duquesne	3	9	70	0	3	2
Villanova	0	4	13	7	5	68

YSU Scoring Drives (Game-By-Game)

Team	Plays	Yards	Time	Result	Qtr	Scoring Play
Valparaíso	5	91	2:08	TD	1	King 62 rush
Valparaíso	10	80	4:03	TD	2	Charleston 17 pass; Davidson
Valparaíso	8	50	4:15	FG	2	Lastovka 30 FG
Valparaíso	7	32	3:48	TD	3	Davidson 1 rush
Valparaíso	5	12	1:56	TD	3	King 1 rush
Valparaíso	1	54	0:10	TD	3	Whately 54 rush
Valparaíso	12	59	5:21	TD	4	Brungard 5 rush
Ohio State	11	75	5:52	TD	1	Davidson 1 rush
Robert Morris	9	65	4:51	TD	1	Rushton 6 rush
Robert Morris	5	80	2:40	TD	1	King 32 rush
Robert Morris	5	75	2:25	TD	2	Rushton 10 rush
Robert Morris	7	65	3:38	TD	2	King 18 rush
Robert Morris	10	92	5:00	TD	3	Serrano 9 pass; Davidson
Robert Morris	4	71	1:59	TD	3	King 14 rush
Robert Morris	6	83	2:26	TD	4	Davidson 7 rush
UNI	5	67	2:17	FG	1	Lastovka 38 FG
UNI	9	59	4:52	TD	1	Davidson 6 rush
UNI	8	45	3:29	FG	2	Medvec 38 FG
UNI	3	9	1:38	TD	3	Rushton 1 rush
UNI	6	48	2:45	TD	3	King 1 rush
UNI	10	70	4:11	TD	4	Oliver 5 pass; Davidson
UNI	5	75	0:55	TD	4	Hensley 9 pass; Davidson
Southern Illinois	7	75	3:17	TD	1	King 40 rush
Southern Illinois	13	96	5:55	TD	2	Rushton 2 rush
Southern Illinois	4	-3	2:04	FG	3	Lastovka 22 FG
Southern Illinois	5	19	1:44	TD	4	King 2 rush
Southern Illinois	7	36	5:01	TD	4	Rushton 1 rush
South Dakota	6	26	2:57	FG	1	Lastovka 33 FG
South Dakota	3	76	1:20	TD	3	Farthing 65 pass; Davidson
South Dakota	2	75	0:57	TD	3	Tomczak 66 pass; Davidson
South Dakota	5	42	2:13	TD	4	Rushton 1 rush
South Dakota	12	66	6:37	TD	4	Oliver 6 pass; Davidson
Illinois State	11	51	5:37	TD	1	King 1 rush
Illinois State	3	75	0:59	TD	1	Charleston 72 pass; Davidson
Illinois State	6	75	3:08	TD	2	Oliver 15 pass; Davidson
Illinois State	3	71	1:05	TD	2	Farthing 33 pass; Davidson
Illinois State	7	43	2:12	FG	3	Lastovka 22 FG
Illinois State	13	44	7:44	TD	4	Rushton 6 pass; Davidson
Illinois State	10	55	4:18	FG	4	Lastovka 37 FG
Missouri State	8	75	3:42	TD	1	Charleston 10 pass; Davidson
Missouri State	7	72	3:45	TD	1	Benio 2 pass; Davidson
Missouri State	5	85	2:02	TD	2	Oliver 51 pass; Davidson
Missouri State	8	61	3:41	TD	2	Oliver 20 pass; Davidson
Missouri State	2	39	0:10	FG	2	Lastovka 27 FG
Missouri State	4	75	2:06	TD	3	Rushton 1 rush
Missouri State	11	68	6:13	FG	4	Lastovka 29 FG
Missouri State	9	30	4:10	FG	4	Lastovka 44 FG
Indiana State	7	75	3:24	TD	1	Davidson 18 rush
Indiana State	14	79	7:14	FG	3	Lastovka 35 FG
Indiana State	9	42	3:24	FG	3	Lastovka 45 FG
Indiana State	12	82	6:58	TD	4	Brungard 37 rush
Murray State	10	75	5:35	TD	1	Sechrest 7 pass; Davidson
Murray State	7	55	3:50	TD	2	Serrano 3 pass; Davidson
Murray State	3	19	1:36	TD	2	Oliver 14 pass; Davidson
Murray State	12	69	7:09	TD	3	Rushton 3 rush
Murray State	4	28	1:52	TD	4	Oliver 2 pass; Davidson
Duquesne	3	60	1:34	TD	1	Charleston 9 pass; Davidson
Duquesne	7	33	4:32	FG	1	Lastovka 34 FG
Duquesne	13	78	6:55	TD	2	Rushton 2 rush
Duquesne	5	32	2:14	TD	2	Oliver 21 pass; Davidson
Duquesne	9	70	4:20	FG	3	Lastovka 25 FG
Duquesne	8	42	3:38	FG	3	Lastovka 40 FG
Duquesne	9	54	3:54	FG	4	Lastovka 50 FG
Duquesne	16	68	10:57	TD	4	Brungard 3 rush
Villanova	8	18	3:53	FG	1	Lastovka 25 FG
Villanova	8	73	3:57	TD	2	Farthing 34 pass; Davidson
Villanova	9	34	5:32	FG	3	Lastovka 31 FG
Villanova	7	84	2:42	TD	4	Hensley 14 pass; Davidson
Villanova	10	75	3:22	TD	4	Farthing 27 pass; Davidson

Three-and-Outs

	YSU	Opponent
Valparaíso	3	5
Ohio State	3	2
Robert Morris	0	5
UNI	2	3
Southern Illinois	0	4
South Dakota	2	2
Illinois State	3	2
Missouri State	3	4
Indiana State	3	3
South Dakota St.	4	2
Murray State	1	3
Duquesne	0	5
Villanova	2	2
Total	26	42

2023 Starting Lineups (First Snap of Game)

OFFENSE

Valparaiso	WR Oliver	WR Charleston	WR Tomczak	TE Serrano	TB King	QB Davidson	LT Leigh	LG Metzler	C Parker	RG R. Johnson	RT Williams
Ohio State	WR Oliver	WR Charleston	WR Tomczak	TE Benio	TB Rushton	QB Davidson	LT Leigh	LG Metzler	C Parker	RG R. Johnson	RT Williams
Robert Morris	WR Oliver	WR Charleston	WR Tomczak	TE Serrano	TB Rushton	QB Davidson	LT Leigh	LG Metzler	C Parker	RG R. Johnson	RT Williams
UNI	WR Oliver	WR Charleston	TE Serrano	TE Benio	TB Rushton	QB Davidson	LT Leigh	LG Metzler	C Parker	RG R. Johnson	RT Williams
Southern Illinois	WR Oliver	WR Charleston	WR Tomczak	TE Serrano	TB King	QB Davidson	LT Leigh	LG Metzler	C Parker	RG R. Johnson	RT Williams
South Dakota	WR Oliver	WR Charleston	WR Tomczak	TE Sechrest	TB King	QB Davidson	LT Leigh	LG Metzler	C Parker	RG R. Johnson	RT Williams
Illinois State	WR Oliver	WR Charleston	WR Tomczak	TE Benio	TB King	QB Davidson	LT Leigh	LG Metzler	C Parker	RG R. Johnson	RT Williams
Missouri State	WR Oliver	WR Charleston	WR Tomczak	TE Benio	TB King	QB Davidson	LT Leigh	LG Metzler	C Keen	RG R. Johnson	RT Williams
Indiana State	WR Oliver	WR Charleston	WR Tomczak	TE Serrano	TB King	QB Davidson	LT Leigh	LG Metzler	C Keen	RG R. Johnson	RT Williams
South Dakota St.	WR Oliver	WR Charleston	WR Tomczak	TE Sechrest	TB King	QB Davidson	LT Leigh	LG Metzler	C Parker	RG R. Johnson	RT Williams
Murray State	WR Oliver	WR Charleston	WR Tomczak	TE Serrano	TB King	QB Davidson	LT Leigh	LG Metzler	C Parker	RG R. Johnson	RT Williams
Duquesne	WR Oliver	WR Charleston	WR Tomczak	TE Serrano	TB King	QB Davidson	LT Leigh	LG Metzler	C Parker	RG R. Johnson	RT Williams
Villanova	WR Oliver	WR Charleston	WR Tomczak	TE Serrano	TB King	QB Davidson	LT Leigh	LG Metzler	C Parker	RG R. Johnson	RT Williams

DEFENSE

Valparaiso	CB Trowers	CB Robinson	SS Hooker	FS T. Jones	DB Augustin	LB Benton	LB Howard	DE Lehrmann	DT A. Johnson	DT Fitzgerald	DE Wudke
Ohio State	CB Robinson	CB Jakubec	SS Hooker	FS T. Jones	DB Augustin	LB Benton	LB Howard	DE Lehrmann	DT A. Johnson	DT Fitzgerald	DE Wudke
Robert Morris	CB Trowers	CB Jakubec	SS Hooker	FS T. Jones	DB Augustin	LB Benton	LB Howard	DE Lehrmann	DT A. Johnson	DT Fitzgerald	DE Wudke
UNI	CB Robinson	CB Jakubec	SS Hooker	FS T. Jones	DB Augustin	LB Benton	LB Howard	DE Lehrmann	DT A. Johnson	DT Fitzgerald	DE Wudke
Southern Illinois	CB Trowers	CB Jakubec	SS Hooker	FS T. Jones	DB Augustin	LB Benton	LB Howard	DE Lehrmann	DT A. Johnson	DT Fitzgerald	DE Wudke
South Dakota	CB Trowers	CB Jakubec	SS Hooker	FS T. Jones	DB Augustin	LB Benton	LB Howard	DE Lehrmann	DT A. Johnson	DT Fitzgerald	DE Wudke
Illinois State	CB Castleberry	CB Jakubec	SS Hooker	DB Lenton	FS T. Jones	LB Benton	LB Howard	DE Lehrmann	DT A. Johnson	DT Fitzgerald	DE Wudke
Missouri State	CB Castleberry	CB Jakubec	SS Hooker	FS Lenton	DB Augustin	LB Benton	LB Howard	DE Lehrmann	DT A. Johnson	DT Fitzgerald	DE Wudke
Indiana State	CB Castleberry	CB Jakubec	SS T. Jones	FS Lenton	DB Augustin	LB Benton	LB Howard	DE Lehrmann	DT A. Johnson	DT Fitzgerald	DE Wudke
South Dakota St.	CB Castleberry	CB Jakubec	SS Hooker	FS Lenton	DB Augustin	LB Benton	LB Howard	DE Lehrmann	DT A. Johnson	DT Fitzgerald	DE Wudke
Murray State	CB Castleberry	CB Jakubec	SS Hooker	FS Lenton	DB Augustin	LB Benton	LB Howard	DE Lehrmann	DT A. Johnson	DT Fitzgerald	DE Wudke
Duquesne	CB Castleberry	CB Jakubec	SS Hooker	FS Lenton	DB Augustin	LB Benton	LB Howard	DE Allen	DT A. Johnson	DT Fitzgerald	DE Wudke
Villanova	CB Castleberry	CB Jakubec	SS Hooker	FS Lenton	DB Augustin	LB Benton	LB Howard	DE Allen	DT A. Johnson	DT Fitzgerald	DE Wudke

Game-By-Game Tackles (Press Box Totals)

Solo-Assists-Total

Player	Valparaiso	Ohio State	Robert Morris	UNI	SIU	South Dakota	Illinois St.	Missouri St.	Indiana St.	SDSU	Murray St.	Duquesne	Villanova
Hunter Allen	1-0-1	0-1-1	1-0-1	0-0-0	1-2-3	1-1-2	2-0-2	2-0-2	1-2-3	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-2-2	1-0-1
D'Marco Augustin	0-0-0	3-0-3	2-1-3	0-1-1	0-2-2	2-1-3	DNP	2-0-2	0-2-2	1-2-3	0-0-0	0-1-1	2-0-2
Greg Benton	5-1-6	2-2-4	1-0-1	5-6-11	4-1-5	2-4-6	2-3-5	5-5-10	2-3-5	3-4-7	1-3-4	1-0-1	0-1-1
Ezekiel Blake	0-0-0	3-0-3	1-1-2	2-1-3	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-2	2-1-3	0-0-0	1-0-1	3-0-3	1-0-1	1-0-1
Daryan Bowling	1-0-1	2-1-3	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	1-0-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0
Jaylen Castleberry	1-2-3	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-1-1	1-0-1	1-3-4	2-1-3	5-1-6	2-0-2	1-2-3	2-0-2
Andrew Centofanti	0-3-3	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Jaelen Crider	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
Alijah Curtis	0-1-1	0-0-0	3-1-4	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP
Aboubakare Dabo	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Deamontae Diggs	2-1-3	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-2-3	0-0-0	1-0-1	1-2-3	0-0-0	0-0-0
Nehemiah Dukes	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	DNP
Dylan Dominguez	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
Chris Fitzgerald	1-2-3	2-1-3	0-1-1	0-3-3	2-2-4	0-1-1	3-1-4	1-3-4	0-6-6	1-1-2	0-1-1	2-0-2	2-0-2
Keon Freeman	2-1-3	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Marcus Hooker	0-3-3	5-1-6	1-3-4	0-2-2	1-0-1	5-1-6	8-1-9	1-1-2	DNP	8-2-10	3-0-3	1-0-1	3-0-3
Alex Howard	8-1-9	5-0-5	2-5-7	1-5-6	3-2-5	2-4-6	6-3-9	4-3-7	1-3-4	1-3-4	3-1-4	3-2-5	5-0-5
Troy Jakubec	0-0-0	1-0-1	2-1-3	1-2-3	1-0-1	1-1-2	2-0-2	3-1-4	3-1-4	7-2-9	1-1-2	1-0-1	1-1-2
Anthony Johnson	0-3-3	2-0-2	0-1-1	4-0-4	1-2-3	0-1-1	0-1-1	0-1-1	1-2-3	0-0-0	0-2-2	1-2-3	1-0-1
Devin Johnson	4-1-5	1-0-1	2-0-2	1-0-1	1-1-2	0-0-0	1-1-2	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	1-0-0	2-0-2
Tyjon Jones	4-0-4	2-4-6	1-3-4	7-1-8	2-2-4	4-1-5	1-1-2	2-2-4	2-1-3	0-1-1	DNP	0-0-0	1-1-2
Dominique Julius	DNP	DNP	0-2-2	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0
Devin Lee	1-0-1	0-0-0	2-0-2	2-0-2	1-0-1	3-2-5	0-0-0	2-1-3	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1
Andres Lehrmann	1-0-1	0-0-0	2-0-2	2-2-4	1-0-1	0-1-1	1-1-2	2-0-2	0-3-3	2-1-3	0-1-1	0-0-0	1-1-2
Quincy Lenton	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-1-1	0-0-0	3-1-4	4-1-5	3-3-6	2-0-2	3-0-3	1-0-1	2-0-2	4-0-4
Dawan Martin	0-1-1	0-2-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-2-2	0-1-1	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-1-1	1-0-1	1-1-2	1-0-1	1-0-1
Logan Pasco	1-1-2	1-0-1	2-0-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-1-3	0-0-0
Amarian Robinson	0-0-0	1-0-1	1-0-1	1-0-1	1-0-1	3-1-4	2-0-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	1-0-1	1-0-1
Jordan Rudolph	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	DNP
Brandon Serrano	1-0-1	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
Sir Jerome Treadwell	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Jordan Trowers	1-0-1	4-0-4	2-2-4	4-0-4	6-1-7	4-1-5	1-1-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0
Michael Voitus	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	1-0-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Michael Wells	1-0-1	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0
Dylan Wudke	0-1-1	1-2-3	3-0-3	0-0-0	2-1-3	1-2-3	1-2-3	0-1-1	1-5-6	1-2-3	2-2-4	1-1-2	2-0-2
Preston Zandier	1-0-1	0-0-0	1-0-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-1-2	0-1-1	1-0-1	0-0-0	1-2-3	1-0-1

2023 GAME-BY-GAME RECAPS

GAME
#1

Youngstown State 52,
Valparaiso 10
Aug. 31, 2023 • Youngstown, Ohio
Stambaugh Stadium

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Valparaiso	0	10	0	0	10
Youngstown State	7	10	28	7	52

The Penguins opened the season with a strong 52-10 win over Valparaiso at Stambaugh Stadium. YSU led by just a touchdown at halftime before outscoring the Beacons 35-0 in the second half.

TB Tyson King scored two touchdowns while rushing for 111 yards on 11 carries. CJ Charleston caught the first touchdown pass of his career while Mitch Davidson, Beau Brungard and Da'Shaun Whatley had rushing scores and Jaylen Castleberry returned a blocked punt for a TD.

King opened the scoring with a 62-yard run in the first quarter. Leading 7-3, the Guins scored the next 10 points before the Beacons closed within 17-10 at halftime after scoring a short TD in final minute.

The Penguins scored a school-record-tying 28 points in the third quarter to seize control. The momentum took a big swing when Michael Voitius blocked a punt and Castleberry returned it for a TD. Davidson and King added one-yard scores before Whatley scooted 54 yards for a touchdown.

Team Statistics		
	Valpo	YSU
First Downs	14	21
Rushes	26	41
Yards	40	302
Passes	30	26
Yards	155	169
Total Plays	56	67
Total Yards	195	471
Avg. Play	3.5	7.0
Fumbles	3	0
Lost	3	0
Penalties	2	8
Yards	10	91
Punts	6-229	3-127
Avg.	38.2	42.3
Punt Returns	1-0-0	2-35-1
Avg.	0.0	17.5
KO Return	9-139-0	2-29-0
Avg.	15.4	14.5
INTs	0	0
Return Yds	0	0
TOP	25:31	34:29
3rd Down	4-13	6-11
4th Down	0-1	0-0
Sacks By	1-2	5-37

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

YSU 10:08 • Tyshon King 62-yard rush (Andrew Lastovka kick)

2nd Quarter

VAL 12:58 • Patrick Olivia 33-yard field goal

YSU 8:50 • C.J. Charleston 17-yard pass from Mitch Davidson (Lastovka kick)

YSU 1:52 • Lastovka 30-yard field goal

VAL 0:31 • Ryan Mann 2-yard rush (Olivia kick)

3rd Quarter

YSU 13:38 • Jaylen Castleberry 7-yard blocked punt return (Clay Medvec kick)

YSU 7:57 • Davidson 1-yard rush (Lastovka kick)

YSU 5:56 • King 1-yard rush (Lastovka kick)

YSU 3:40 • Da'Shaun Whatley 54-yard rush (Lastovka kick)

4th Quarter

YSU 8:42 • Beau Brungard 5-yard rush Medvec kick)

Individual Statistics

RUSHING: Youngstown State • Tyshon King 11-111; Da'Shaun Whatley 5-59; Cephus Harris 7-58; Caleb Mitchell 3-25; Mitch Davidson 4-22; Beau Brungard 5-22; Dante Walker 4-10. Valparaiso • Ryan Mann 10-40; Jashon Butler 2-9; Jeffery Vercher 3-7; Brian Thomas 3-7; Mikey Appel 8-(-23).

RECEIVING: Youngstown State • Bryce Oliver 5-65; CJ Charleston 4-47; Latrell Fordham 2-24; Brandon Serrano 1-12; Joey Farthing 1-10; Max Tomczak 1-6; Luke Hensley 1-4; Colt Sechrest 1-1; Tyshon King 1-0. Valparaiso • Solomon Davis 4-56; Brandon Jimenez 4-52; Moise Tezzo 3-21; Tytus Ragle 2-4; Brian Thomas 1-10; Evan Jernegan 1-5; Jake Vickers 1-4; Jalen Jones 1-3.

PASSING: Youngstown State • Mitch Davidson 11-19-130; Beau Brungard 5-7-39. Valparaiso • Mikey Appel 17-29-155; Jeffrey Jackson 0-1-0.

INTERCEPTIONS: Youngstown State • None. Valpo • None

GAME
#2

No. 5 (FBS) | Ohio State 35,
No. 25 | Youngstown State 7
Sept. 9, 2023 • Columbus, Ohio
Ohio Stadium

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Youngstown State	7	0	0	0	7
Ohio State	14	14	7	0	35

YSU dropped a 35-7 to No. 5-ranked Ohio State at Ohio Stadium. After falling behind 7-0, the Guins tied the contest midway through the first quarter following a one-yard run by QB Mitch Davidson. The Buckeyes added another score in the first quarter, two touchdowns in the second quarter and a final one in the fourth.

OSU jumped out to a 7-0 lead when Marvin Harrison Jr. hauled in a 71-yard touchdown pass from Kyle McCord. But the Penguins answered right back with an 11-play, 75-yard drive that was capped by the one-yard score by Davidson.

Later in the first quarter, OSU went in front 14-7 on a 38-yard scoring reception by Harrison Jr. In the second quarter, TreVeyon Henderson scored on a 13-yard rush while Emeka Egbuka caught a 28-yard touchdown pass making the score 28-7 at halftime.

YSU had a time of possession of 34 minutes in the game and ran one fewer play than the Buckeyes. The Guins held Ohio State to just 123 yards rushing in the contest.

Team Statistics		
	YSU	OSU
First Downs	12	23
Rushes	33	27
Yards	99	123
Passes	26	33
Yards	135	359
Total Plays	59	60
Total Yards	234	482
Avg. Play	4.0	8.0
Fumbles	2	1
Lost	0	0
Penalties	9	6
Yards	76	65
Punts	6-270	3-136
Avg.	45.0	45.3
Punt Returns	2-9-0	2-3-0
Avg.	-4.5	1.5
KO Return	3-41-0	2-40-0
Avg.	13.7	20.0
INTs	0	1
Return Yds	0	0
TOP	34:00	26:00
3rd Down	7-15	5-12
4th Down	0-1	2-3
Sacks By	2-7	2-17

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

OSU 13:34 • Marvin Harrison Jr. 71-yard pass from Kyle McCord (Jayden Fielding kick)

YSU 7:42 • Mitch Davidson 1-yard rush (Andrew Lastovka kick)

OSU 1:20 • Harrison Jr. 39-yard pass from McCord (Fielding kick)

2nd Quarter

OSU 9:07 • TreVeyon Henderson 13-yard rush (Fielding kick)

OSU 3:06 • Emeka Egbuka 28-yard pass from McCord (Fielding kick)

3rd Quarter

OSU 1:40 • Henderson 30 yd rush (Fielding kick)

Individual Statistics

RUSHING: Youngstown State • Tyshon King 12-66; Dra Rushton 9-22; Da'Shaun Whatley 3-7; Beau Brungard 2-3; Cephus Harris 1-3; Mitch Davidson 6-(-2). Ohio State • TreVeyon Henderson 5-56; Miyan Williams 6-25; DeaMonte Trayanum 6-20; Xavier Johnson 3-12; Devin Brown 6-9; Kyle McCord 1-1.

RECEIVING: Youngstown State • Bryce Oliver 6-37; Max Tomczak 3-53; Latrell Fordham 3-23; Daryan Bowling 1-18; Da'Shaun Whatley 1-2; Jake Benio 1-0; Dra Rushton 1-5. Ohio State • Marvin Harrison Jr. 7-160; Emeka Egbuka 9-94; Julian Fleming 5-25; TreVeyon Henderson 2-18; Miyan Williams 1-27; Carnell Tate 2-20; Gee Scott Jr. 1-9; Xavier Johnson 1-6.

PASSING: Youngstown State • Mitch Davidson 12-18-98; Beau Brungard 5-8-37. Ohio State • Kyle McCord 14-20-258; Devin Brown 7-13-101.

INTERCEPTIONS: Youngstown State • None. Ohio State: Denzel Burke 1-0.

2023 GAME-BY-GAME RECAPS

GAME
#3

No. 25 | Youngstown State 48 ,
Robert Morris 28
Sep. 16, 2023 • Youngstown, Ohio
Stambaugh Stadium

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Robert Morris	7	7	0	14	28
Youngstown State	13	14	14	7	48

YSU completed non-conference play with a 48-28 victory over Robert Morris at Stambaugh Stadium. Leading 14-13 in the second quarter, the Guins scored 28 straight points to seize control of the contest against the Colonials.

YSU scored six rushing touchdowns against RMU with Tyshon King scoring three times, Dra Rushton punching in two scores and QB Mitch Davidson adding another. Davidson connected with Brandon Serrano for the Guins' other touchdown in the contest.

The Guins took a 6-0 lead on a six-yard run by Rushton before RMU took a 7-6 lead. YSU went back in front 13-7 on a 32-yard scoring run by King.

Trailing 14-13 it was all Penguins until the final 10 minutes. To close out the first half, Rushton scored on a 10-yard carry while King had an 18-yard scoring TD. In the third quarter, Davidson found Serrano for a nine-yard score before King added his third TD of the game. Davidson added a seven-yard score in the fourth for the final margin.

Team Statistics	RMU	YSU
First Downs	17	31
Rushes	22	43
Yards	111	256
Passes	32	26
Yards	179	339
Total Plays	54	69
Total Yards	290	595
Avg. Play	5.4	8.6
Fumbles	1	1
Lost	0	1
Penalties	10	9
Yards	71	53
Punts	7-288	1-41
Avg.	41.1	41.0
Punt Returns	0-0-0	1-5-0
Avg.	0.0	5.0
KO Return	7-143-0	2-35-0
Avg.	20.4	17.5
INTs	1	0
Return Yds	30	0
TOP	24:58	30:52
3rd Down	5-13	4-7
4th Down	1-1	0-0
Sacks By	0-0	2-13

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

YSU 10:09 • Dra Rushton 6-yard rush (Andrew Lastovka kick blocked)
RMU 6:02 • Noah Robinson 29-yard pass from Anthony Chicci (Jayson Jenkins kick)
YSU 3:24 • Tyshon King 32-yard rush (Lastovka kick)

2nd Quarter

RMU 11:25 • Robinson 8-yard pass from Chaese Jackson (Jenkins kick)
YSU 8:55 • Rushton 10-yard rush (Lastovka kick)
YSU 3:05 • King 18-yard rush (Lastovka kick)

3rd Quarter

YSU 5:48 • Brandon Serrano 9-yard pass from Mitch Davidson (Lastovka kick)
YSU 2:48 • King 14-yard rush (Lastovka kick)

4th Quarter

YSU 13:31 • Davidson 7-yard rush (Lastovka kick)
RMU 10:40 • Jackson 8-yard pass from Chicci (Jenkins kick)
RMU 1:22 • Zin'tayvius Smith 60-yard rush (Jenkins kick)

Individual Statistics

RUSHING: Youngstown State • Tyshon King 12-124; Dra Rushton 14-55; Mitch Davidson 5-42; Beau Brungard 4-24; Da'Shaun Whatley 4-11; Cephus Harris 1-6; Dante Walker 1-3. Robert Morris • Zin'tayvius Smith 3-77; Cyrus Bonsu 10-51; Day Day Jones 2-2; Delvecchio Powell II 1-1; Trenell Ridgley 2-2; Kimon O'Sullivan 1-0; Anthony Chicci 3-0.

RECEIVING: Youngstown State • CJ Charleston 6-119; Bryce Oliver 6-108; Brandon Serrano 3-24; Colt Sechrest 2-12; Max Tomczak 1-28; Tyshon King 1-19; Jake Benio 1-15; Dra Rushton 1-14; Chase Glover-Rodgers 1-0. Robert Morris • Noah Robinson 9-100; Chaese Jackson 4-26; Moise Connor Becker 2-14; Landen Lucas 1-27; Parker Fetterman 1-12; Trenell Ridgley 1-2; Jermarian Jackson 1-1; Delvecchio Powell II 1-(-3).

PASSING: Youngstown State • Mitch Davidson 21-25-339; Beau Brungard 0-1-0. Robert Morris • Anthony Chicci 19-31-17; Chaese Jackson 1-1-8.

INTERCEPTIONS: Youngstown State • None. Robert Morris • Jamar Shegog 1-30.

GAME
#4

UNI 44,
No. 19 | Youngstown State 41
Sept. 30, 2023 • Cedar Falls, Iowa
UNI-Dome

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Youngstown State	10	3	14	14	41
UNI	6	14	3	21	44

The Penguins suffered a 44-41 loss to UNI last in the UNI-Dome. YSU led 10-0 in the first quarter and 27-23 in the fourth, but couldn't hang on against the pesky Panthers.

YSU used an Andrew Lastovka 38-yard field goal to take an early 3-0 lead before QB Mitch Davidson scored on a six-yard keeper giving the Guins a 10-point advantage. UNI scored the next 20 points before a 38-yard field goal by Clay Medvec with 16 seconds remaining.

Trailing 23-13, Bryce Oliver blocked a punt and set the Guins up inside the UNI 10. Three plays later Dra Rushton punched it in from one-yard out to pull YSU within 23-20. On the next series, Tyshon King scored on a one-yard run as the Guins went in front 27-23 after three quarters.

However in the fourth, UNI outscored the Guins 21-14 in the final period. UNI went in front 37-27 at the 5:58 mark of the contest. In the final two minutes, Davidson had passing touchdowns to Bryce Oliver and Luke Hensley.

Team Statistics	YSU	UNI
First Downs	20	24
Rushes	27	28
Yards	85	99
Passes	41	29
Yards	333	337
Total Plays	68	57
Total Yards	418	436
Avg. Play	6.1	7.6
Fumbles	0	0
Lost	0	0
Penalties	4	4
Yards	12	44
Punts	4-185	4-119
Avg.	46.2	29.8
Punt Returns	2-14	2-10
Avg.	7.0	5.0
KO Return	2-42	6-128
Avg.	21.0	21.3
INTs	1	1
Return Yds	5	0
TOP	33:23	26:37
3rd Down	5-13	3-10
4th Down	0-1	0-0
Sacks By	2-7	2-17

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

YSU 12:38 • Andrew Lastovka 38-yard FG
YSU 6:41 • Mitch Davidson 6-yard rush (Lastovka kick)
UNI 2:39 • Layne Pryor 13-yard pass from Theo Day (N. Pettinger pass failed)

2nd Quarter

UNI 13:43 • Jaiden Ellis-Lahey 2-yard pass from Day (Matthew Cook kick)
UNI 10:53 • Naran Buntin 32-yard pass from Day (Cook kick)
YSU 0:16 • Clay Medvec 38-yard FG

3rd Quarter

UNI 11:20 • Cook 40-yard FG
YSU 5:44 • Dra Rushton 1-yard rush (Lastovka kick)
YSU 1:34 • Tyshon King 1-yard rush (Lastovka kick)

4th Quarter

UNI 10:36 • Sam Schnee 30-yard pass from Day (Cook kick)
UNI 1:34 • Tye Edwards 30-yard rush (Cook kick)
YSU 1:40 • Bryce Oliver 5-yard pass from Davidson (Lastovka kick)
UNI 1:19 • Day 1-yard rush (Cook kick)
YSU 0:24 • Luke Hensley 9-yard pass from Davidson (Lastovka kick)

Individual Statistics

RUSHING: Youngstown State • Dra Rushton 10-36; Tyshon King 8-40; Mitch Davidson 7-25; Beau Brungard 2-0; UNI • Tye Edwards 21-129; Harrison Ney-Buei 1-2; Theo Day 5-3.

RECEIVING: Youngstown State • Bryce Oliver 7-111; Max Tomczak 7-51; CJ Charleston 5-88; Dra Rushton 4-31; Jake Benio 3-17; Tyshon King 3-15; Brandon Serrano 1-11; Luke Hensley 1-9. UNI • Sam Schnee 5-73; Jaiden Ellis-Lahey 4-66; Logan Wolf 4-53; Naran Buntin 3-79 Tye Edwards 3-21; Alex Allen 1-32; Layne Prior 1-13.

PASSING: YSU • Mitch Davidson 30-40-332; Beau Brungard 1-1-1. UNI • Theo Day 21-29-337.

INTERCEPTIONS: Youngstown State • Tyjon Jones 1-5. UNI • Jahsiah Galvan 1-0.

2023 GAME-BY-GAME RECAPS

GAME
#5

Youngstown State 31,
No. 5 | Southern Illinois 3
Oct. 7, 2023 • Youngstown, Ohio
Stambaugh Stadium

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Southern Illinois	0	3	0	0	3
Youngstown State	7	7	3	14	31

The Penguins picked up an impressive 31-3 victory over then No. 5-ranked Southern Illinois at Stambaugh Stadium. YSU built a 14-0 lead and rode one of the most impressive defense performances in years to earn a four-touchdown victory.

On its first drive of the contest the Guins opened up a 7-0 lead when Tyshon King raced home from 40 yards just 3:17 into the contest. The Guins put together an impressive 13-play, 96-yard drive that Dra Rushton finished off with a one-yard score early in the second quarter to increase the lead to 14-0.

Leading 14-3 in the third quarter, Andrew Lastovka kicked a 22-yard field goal that was set up by a Troy Jakubec interception. In the fourth, YSU took advantage of short fields to tack on a pair of TD runs. King scored on a two-yard run while Rushton capped off the scoring with 3:29 left.

YSU's defense recorded seven sacks and held SIU to just 100 yards of total offense, including six yards rushing.

Team Statistics	SIU	YSU
First Downs	8	17
Rushes	23	47
Yards	6	167
Passes	27	18
Yards	94	156
Total Plays	50	65
Total Yards	100	323
Avg. Play	2.0	5.0
Fumbles	0	3
Lost	0	1
Penalties	5	4
Yards	45	24
Punts	6-208	1-39
Avg.	34.7	39.0
Punt Returns	0-0-0	0-0-0
Avg.	0.0	0.0
KO Return	5-82-0	1-14-0
Avg.	16.4	14.0
INTs	1	1
Return Yds	0	20
TOP	22:21	37:39
3rd Down	2-13	7-14
4th Down	2-4	2-2
Sacks By	1-8	7-47

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

YSU 11:43 • Tyshon King 40-yard rush (Andrew Lastovka kick)

2nd Quarter

YSU 14:47 • Dra Rushton 2-yard rush (Lastovka kick)

SIU 1:22 • Thomas Burks 33-yard Field Goal

3rd Quarter

YSU 5:31 • Lastovka 22-yard Field Goal

4th Quarter

YSU 13:31 • King 2-yard rush (Lastovka kick)

YSU 3:29 • Rushton 1-yard rush (Lastovka kick)

Individual Statistics

RUSHING: Youngstown State • Tyshon King 22-123; Dra Rushton 17-54; Da'Shaun Whatley 2-11; Dante Walker 1-2. Southern Illinois • Justin Strong 5-8; Shaun Lester 5-9; Jimmy Athans 1-0; Nic Baker 12-41.

RECEIVING: Youngstown State • Bryce Oliver 5-76; CJ Charleston 3-28; Brandon Serrano 2-14; Max Tomczak 1-18; Jake Benio 1-11; Dra Rushton 1-6; Tyshon King 1-3. Southern Illinois • Izaiah Hartrup 5-68; Justin Strong 3-15; Vinson Davis 2-7; Aidan Quinn 2-4.

PASSING: Youngstown State • Mitch Davidson 14-18-156. Southern Illinois • Nic Baker 12-27-94

INTERCEPTIONS: Youngstown State • Troy Jakubec 1-20. Southern Illinois • Mark Davis 1-0

GAME
#6

No. 10 | South Dakota 34,
No. 20 | Youngstown State 31
Oct. 14, 2023 • Vermillion, S.D.
DakotaDome

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Youngstown State	3	0	14	14	31
South Dakota	3	14	14	3	34

The Penguins suffered another tough road setback falling 34-31 at South Dakota at the DakotaDome. YSU overcame a 31-10 deficit to force a tie late. But on the final play of the game, South Dakota kicked a field goal for the win.

YSU and USD traded field goals in the first quarter before the Coyotes built a 17-3 halftime lead behind two touchdowns of more than 30 yards. On its first drive of the second half, USD pushed its lead out to 24-3.

The Guins offense awoke when QB Mitch Davidson hit WR Joey Farthing on a 65-yard touchdown pass. However, the Coyotes answered back two plays later on a 56-yard pass from Aidan Bouman to Carter Bell.

Following that TD, the Guins scored 21 straight points. Davidson connected with Max Tomczak on a 65-yard score in the third. In the fourth, Dra Rushton scored and Davidson found Bryce Oliver for a six-yard touchdown tying the contest with 5:48 left.

With three seconds left, USD's Will Leyland kicked a 41-yard field goal for the win.

Team Statistics	YSU	USD
First Downs	17	20
Rushes	35	26
Yards	178	106
Passes	26	30
Yards	267	369
Total Plays	61	56
Total Yards	445	475
Avg. Play	7.3	8.5
Fumbles	2	3
Lost	2	2
Penalties	10	4
Yards	75	30
Punts	5-217	4-143
Avg.	43.4	35.8
Punt Returns	1-3	0-0
Avg.	3.0	0.0
KO Return	2-41	3-37
Avg.	20.5	12.3
INTs	0	0
Return Yds	0	0
TOP	29:45	30:15
3rd Down	3-10	3-9
4th Down	1-1	0-0
Sacks By	0-0	2-6

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

USD 8:27 • Will Leyland 41-yard FG

YSU 3:56 • Andrew Lastovka 33-yard FG

2nd Quarter

USD 12:03 • Keyondre Jones 34-yard rush (Leyland kick)

USD 1:34 • Carter Bell 36 yd pass from Aidan Bouman (Leyland kick)

3rd Quarter

USD 9:20 • JJ Galbreath 10 yd pass from Bouman (Leyland kick)

YSU 7:55 • Joey Farthing 65-yard pass from Mitch Davidson (Lastovka kick)

USD 7:10 • Bell 56-yard pass from Bouman (Leyland kick)

YSU 6:13 • Max Tomczak 66-yard pass from Davidson (Lastovka kick)

4th Quarter

YSU 12:42 • Dra Rushton 1-yard rush (Lastovka kick)

YSU 5:48 • Bryce Oliver 6-yard pass from Davidson (Lastovka kick)

USD 0:00 • Leyland 41-yard FG

Individual Statistics

RUSHING: Youngstown State • Dra Rushton 16-116; Tyshon King 10-40; Mitch Davidson 5-17; Beau Brungard 3-10; Da-Shaun Whatley 1-4. South Dakota • Keyondre Jones 3-40; Travis Theis 10-33; Charles Pierre Jr. 10-26; Aidan Bouman 1-5; L.J. Phillips Jr. 2-3.

RECEIVING: Youngstown State • Max Tomczak 6-134; Bryce Oliver 3-16; CJ Charleston 2-20; Joey Farthing 1-65; Jake Benio 1-22; Tyshon King 1-5; Brandon Serrano 1-5. South Dakota • JJ Galbreath 6-101; Carter Bell 5-131; Charles Pierre Jr. 5-34; Travis Theis 3-10; Javion Phelps 2-62; Jack Hagy 2-9; Makai Lovett 1-22.

PASSING: YSU • Mitch Davidson 15-26-267. South Dakota • Aidan Bouman 24-29-369.

INTERCEPTIONS: Youngstown State • None. South Dakota • None

2023 GAME-BY-GAME RECAPS

GAME
#7

No. 25 | Youngstown State 41,
No. 25 | Illinois State 38
Oct. 21, 2023 • Youngstown, Ohio
Stambaugh Stadium

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Illinois State	7	21	7	3	3
Youngstown State	14	14	3	10	31

YSU won a classic Homecoming tilt beating Illinois State 41-38 at Stambaugh Stadium. Andrew Lastovka made a 37-yard field goal as time expired capping off a wild offensive battle.

YSU took a 7-0 lead on a one-yard run by Tyshon King in the first quarter. After ISU tied the contest, Mitch Davidson found C.J. Charleston for a 72-yard scoring toss giving the Guins a 14-7 lead. With the game tied at 14 in the second quarter, Davidson threw a 15-yard touchdown toss to Bryce Oliver. Now at 21-21, Davidson connected with Joey Farthing for a 33-yard scoring toss, but Illinois State tied the game 28-28 at halftime.

YSU took a 31-28 lead on a 22-yard field goal in the third quarter before ISU grabbed a 35-31 lead on Zach Annexstad's fifth TD pass of the game in the third quarter. The Penguins went ahead 38-35 with 7:57 left on a Davidson to Dra Rushton six-yard toss.

The Redbirds tied the game for a fifth time at 38-38 following a 35-yard field goal by Ian Wagner with 4:18 remaining.

Team Statistics

	ILS	YSU
First Downs	26	23
Rushes	29	50
Yards	203	267
Passes	36	25
Yards	238	203
Total Plays	65	75
Total Yards	441	470
Avg. Play	6.8	6.3
Fumbles	0	0
Lost	0	0
Penalties	6	5
Yards	75	55
Punts	5-186	5-209
Avg.	37.2	41.8
Punt Returns	2-2-0	1-2-0
Avg.	1.0	2.0
KO Return	0-0-0	1-20-0
Avg.	0.0	20.0
INTs	0	1
Return Yds	0	3
TOP	24:54	35:06
3rd Down	3-11	3-13
4th Down	0-0	4-4
Sacks By	1-6	1-1

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

YSU 8:30 • Tyshon King 1-yard rush (Andrew Lastovka kick)
ILS 1:16 • Daniel Sobkowicz 27-yard pass from Zack Annexstad (Ian Wagner kick)
YSU 0:17 • C.J. Charleston 72-yard pass from Mitch Davidson (Lastovka kick)

2nd Quarter

ILS 13:50 • Sobkowicz 7-yard pass from Annexstad (Wagner kick)
YSU 10:42 • Bryce Oliver 15-yard pass from Davidson (Lastovka kick)
ILS 9:13 • Rylan Crawford 5-yard pass from Annexstad (Wagner kick)
YSU 8:08 • Joey Farthing 33-yard pass from Davidson (Lastovka kick)
ILS 0:29 • Sobkowicz 31-yard pass from Annexstad (Wagner kick)

3rd Quarter

YSU 10:17 • Lastovka 22-yard Field Goal
ILS 5:58 • Camo Nelson 3-yard pass from Annexstad (Wagner kick)

4th Quarter

YSU 7:57 • Dra Rushton 6-yard pass from Davidson (Lastovka kick)
ILS 4:18 • Wagner 35-yard FG
YSU 0:00 • Lastovka 37-yard FG

Individual Statistics

RUSHING: Youngstown State • Tyshon King 24-150; Dra Rushton 19-111; Mitch Davidson 4-12; Beau Brungard 3-6. Illinois State • Mason Blakemore 17-136; Wenkers Wright 2-56; Cole Mueller 8-27; Zack Annexstad 2-5.

RECEIVING: Youngstown State • Dra Rushton 4-41; Jake Benio 4-19; CJ Charleston 2-81; Joey Farthing 1-33; Bryce Oliver 1-15; Tyshon King 1-8; Max Tomczak 1-5; Colt Sechrest 1-4; Luke Hensley 1-3. Illinois State • Daniel Sobkowicz 11-170; Jalen Carr 5-25; Cam Grandy 2-23; Mason Blakemore 2-1; Javon Charles 1-11; Rylan Crawford 1-5; Camo Nelson 1-3.

PASSING: Youngstown State • Mitch Davidson 16-25-203. Illinois State • Zack Annexstad 23-36-238.

INTERCEPTIONS: Youngstown State • Troy Jakubec 1-3. Illinois State • None

GAME
#8

No. 25 | Youngstown State 44,
Missouri State 28
Oct. 28, 2023 • Youngstown, Ohio
Stambaugh Stadium

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Missouri State	7	7	14	0	28
Youngstown State	14	17	7	6	44

The Penguins closed out a strong October beating Missouri State 44-28 at Stambaugh Stadium. YSU trailed 7-0 before building a 38-14 lead early in the third quarter. QB Mitch Davidson passed for a career-high 390 yards and tied his career best with four touchdowns.

After MSU went in front 7-0, Davidson connected with C.J. Charleston for a 10-yard touchdown and Jake Benio for a two-yard score. The Bears tied the game at 14 then the Guins answered with 24 consecutive points. Davidson found Bryce Oliver on a 51-yard touchdown and a 20-yard score and to end the half Andrew Lastovka made a 27-yard field goal.

To open the third quarter, Dra Rushton added a one-yard score to give the Guins a 38-14 lead. The Bears cut the deficit to within 10 points entering the fourth quarter before Lastovka added a pair of field goals from 29 and 44 yards for the final margin.

YSU scored 30-or-more points in six straight games which sets a school record.

Team Statistics

	MSU	YSU
First Downs	21	22
Rushes	27	32
Yards	95	106
Passes	40	34
Yards	341	415
Total Plays	67	66
Total Yards	436	521
Avg. Play	6.5	7.9
Fumbles	0	0
Lost	0	0
Penalties	11	7
Yards	93	71
Punts	6-234	4-190
Avg.	39.0	47.5
Punt Returns	2-23-0	3-6-0
Avg.	11.5	2.0
KO Return	6-128-01-25-0	
Avg.	21.3	25.0
INTs	0	1
Return Yds	0	0
TOP	25:58	34:02
3rd Down	6-13	7-13
4th Down	1-1	0-0
Sacks By	0-0	5-48

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

MSU 13:44 • J. Pachot 9-yard rush (Rozanc kick)
YSU 10:02 • CJ Charleston 10-yard pass from Mitch Davidson (Andrew Lastovka kick)
YSU 3:36 • Jake Benio 2-yard pass from Davidson (Lastovka kick)

2nd Quarter

MSU 8:18 • J. Wright 45-yard rush (Rozanc kick)
YSU 6:10 • Bryce Oliver 51-yard pass from Davidson (Lastovka kick)
YSU 00:45 • Oliver 20-yard pass from Davidson (Lastovka kick)
YSU 0:00 • Lastovka 27-yard FG

3rd Quarter

YSU 12:54 • Dra Rushton 1-yard rush (Lastovka kick)
MSU 10:12 • J. Wright 29-yard pass from Pachot (Rozanc kick)
MSU 4:48 • L. Mason 7-yard pass from Pachot (Rozanc kick)

4th Quarter

YSU 8:21 • Lastovka 29-yard FG
YSU 2:17 • Lastovka 44-yard FG

Individual Statistics

RUSHING: Youngstown State • Dra Rushton 15-57; Tyshon King 13-43; Mitch Davidson 2-13; Beau Brungard 2-2. Missouri State • Jacardia Wright 7-73; Jakaiei Moses 8-51; Jayden Becks 1-6.

RECEIVING: Youngstown State • Bryce Oliver 6-169; Max Tomczak 5-52; CJ Charleston 3-51; Jakae Benio 3-13; Cyrus Traugh 2-69; Tyshon King 2-30; Luke Hensley 2-21; Dra Rushton 1-6; Colt Sechrest 1-6. Missouri State • Raylen Sharpe 8-109; Jmariya Robinson 6-77; Terique Owens 3-51; Hunter Wood 3-35; Jacardia Wright 1-29; Gary Clinton 1-18; Jayden Becks 1-15; Lance Mason 1-7.

PASSING: Youngstown State • Mitch Davidson 26-33-390. Missouri State • Jordan Pachot 25-38-341.

INTERCEPTIONS: Youngstown State • Troy Jakubec 1-0. Missouri State • None

2023 GAME-BY-GAME RECAPS

GAME
#9No. 22 | Youngstown State 19,
Indiana State 7Nov. 4, 2023 • Terre Haute, Ind.
Memorial Stadium

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Youngstown State	7	0	6	6	19
Indiana State	7	0	0	0	7

The Penguins picked up their third consecutive win beating Indiana State 19-7 at Memorial Stadium in Terre Haute, Ind. YSU trailed 7-0 before scoring the final 19 points and holding ISU scoreless the final three quarters.

After falling behind 7-0, QB Mitch Davidson scored on an 18-yard keeper late in the first quarter to tie the ballgame. Neither team could muster points in the second quarter and YSU took a 13-7 lead after three following Andrew Lastovka 35 and 45-yard field goals in the third period. The Penguins added a score on a 37-yard run by QB Beau Brungard for the final margin.

The defense was solid throughout the game holding the Sycamores to just 191 yards of offense, 47 snaps, a 20:31 time of possession and 0-for-10 on third downs. YSU registered four sacks in the contest and forced two key fourth-quarter turnovers.

Team Statistics

	YSU	INS
First Downs	23	13
Rushes	38	23
Yards	132	66
Passes	37	24
Yards	254	125
Total Plays	75	47
Total Yards	386	191
Avg. Play	5.1	4.1
Fumbles	0	1
Lost	0	1
Penalties	10	4
Yards	83	42
Punts	5-186	7-287
Avg.	37.2	41.0
Punt Returns	2-20	1-0
Avg.	10.0	0.0
KO Return	1-0	2-16
Avg.	0.0	8.0
INTs	1	0
Return Yds	0	0
TOP	39:29	20:31
3rd Down	3-10	3-9
4th Down	1-1	0-0
Sacks By	0-0	2-6

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

INS 3:28 • Justin Dinka 56 yard pass from Cade Chambers (J. Andjelic kick)

YSU 0:04 • Mitch Davidson 18 yard rush (Andrew Lastovka kick)

3rd Quarter

YSU 7:43 • Lastovka 35 yard FG

YSU 1:57 • Lastovka 45 yard FG

4th Quarter

YSU 7:04 • Beau Brungard 37-yard rush (Davidson pass failed)

Individual Statistics

RUSHING: Youngstown State • Beau Brungard 3-59; Tyshon King 18-51; Dra Rushton 10-27; Mitch Davidson 7-25. Indiana State • Plez Lawrence 7-42; Evan Olaes 2-39; Justin Dinka; Cade Chambers 5-6.

RECEIVING: Youngstown State • Max Tomczak 10-81; Bryce Oliver 3-67; Tyshon King 3-25; CJ Charleston 2-18; Luke Hensley 2-17; Dra Rushton 2-15; Cyrus Traugh 1-12; Joey Farthing 1-10; Nate Damron 1-9. Indiana State • Kevin Barnett 3-37; Dakota Caton 2-15; Harry Van Dyne 2-12; Justin Dinka 1-56; Ethan Chambers 1-5.

PASSING: Youngstown State • Mitch Davidson 25-37-254. Indiana State • Cade Chambers 9-24-125.

INTERCEPTIONS: Youngstown State • Troy Jakubec 1-0. Indiana State • None

GAME
#10No. 1 South Dakota State 34,
No. 22 | Youngstown State 0Nov. 11, 2023 • Youngstown, Ohio
Stambaugh Stadium

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
South Dakota State	3	17	7	7	34
Youngstown State	0	0	0	0	0

Youngstown State was defeated by No. 1 South Dakota State, 34-0, at Stambaugh Stadium.

SDSU's first possession ran nearly eight minutes off the clock but the Penguins' defense showed resilience and held the Jackrabbits to a field goal.

The Penguins struggled to get going offensively as SDSU found the endzone with 8:29 remaining in the first half, increasing their lead to 10-0.

Following the score, Mitch Davidson threw an interception in Penguins' territory that the Jackrabbits capitalized on with their second score in under three minutes. The score gave SDSU a 17-0 lead over Youngstown State at the 6:07 mark of the second quarter.

SDSU's Gronowski connected with Janke on a 56-yard touchdown pass on the first play of the second half to take a 27-0 lead. The Jackrabbits scored their final touchdown of the game with 11:33 remaining on a short one-yard touchdown rush by Isaiah Davis, making the final score 34-0.

Team Statistics

	SDSU	YSU
First Downs	22	16
Rushes	29	25
Yards	166	47
Passes	33	30
Yards	324	160
Total Plays	62	55
Total Yards	490	207
Avg. Play	7.9	3.8
Fumbles	1	1
Lost	0	0
Penalties	12	4
Yards	119	25
Punts	3-160	5-232
Avg.	53.3	46.4
Punt Returns	1-1-0	1-9-0
Avg.	1.0	9.0
KO Return	1-40-0	3-12-0
Avg.	40.0	4.0
INTs	1	0
Return Yds	5	0
TOP	33:31	26:29
3rd Down	6-13	2-11
4th Down	1-1	0-2
Sacks By	3-15	0-0

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

SDSU 5:24 • Hunter Dustman 33 yard FG

2nd Quarter

SDSU 8:29 • Griffin Wilde 5-yard pass from Mark Gronowski (Dustman kick)

SDSU 6:07 • Jadon Janke 16-yard pass from Gronowski (Dustman kick)

SDSU 0:01 • Dustman 43-yard FG

3rd Quarter

SDSU 14:38 • Janke 56-yard pass from Gronowski (Dustman kick)

4th Quarter

SDSU 11:33 • Isaiah Davis 1-yard rush (Dustman kick)

Individual Statistics

RUSHING: Youngstown State • Tyshon King 7-20; Dra Rushton 7-17; Da'Shaun Whatley 3-11; Beau Brungard 1-2; Mitch Davidson 7-12. South Dakota State • Isaiah Davis 19-131; Chase Mason 3-14; Angel Johnson 3-7; Amar Johnson 2-7; Mark Gronowski 1-5; Jadon Janke 1-4.

RECEIVING: Youngstown State • Max Tomczak 5-57; Bryce Oliver 3-21; Luke Hensley 3-20; Tyshon King 3-19; Dra Rushton 2-17; CJ Charleston 1-22; Brandon Serrano 1-4. South Dakota State • Jadon Janke 7-166; Grahm Goering 3-29; Zach Heins 2-39; Michael Morgan 2-27; Griffin Wilde 2-16; Isaiah Davis 2-14; Kevin Brenner 1-15; Devon Cole 1-10; Angel Johnson 1-4; Kentrell Prejean 1-4.

PASSING: Youngstown State • Mitch Davidson 18-30-160. South Dakota State • Mark Gronowski 19-28-295; Chase Mason 3-4-29.

INTERCEPTIONS: Youngstown State • None. South Dakota State • Tucker Large 1-5.

2023 GAME-BY-GAME RECAPS

GAME
#11

**Youngstown State 34,
Murray State 17**
Nov. 18, 2023 • Murray, Ky.
Roy Stewart Stadium

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Youngstown State	7	13	7	7	34
Murray State	7	3	7	0	17

Youngstown State closed out the regular season with a strong 34-17 win at Murray State at Roy Stewart Stadium. It was the program's first-ever win at MSU in five tries.

QB Mitch Davidson tied a career high with four touchdown passes while WR Bryce Oliver tied the school record for career touchdown receptions in the victory.

YSU took a 7-0 lead when Davidson connected with TE Colt Sechrest in the first quarter. Murray State rallied to take a 10-7 lead before the Guins scored two touchdowns in a span of 1:45 to seize momentum.

Davidson found Brandon Serrano for a score then Marcus Hooker's first interception of the season allowed the Guins to take over at 19-yard line. Three plays later, Davidson found Oliver for the first time and YSU led 20-10 at halftime.

In the third quarter, Dra Rushton's three-yard TD run increased the lead to 27-10. Owning a 10-point lead in the fourth, Davidson connected with Oliver on a two-yard score for the final margin.

Team Statistics

	YSU	MSU
First Downs	22	14
Rushes	43	18
Yards	206	49
Passes	26	32
Yards	156	257
Total Plays	69	50
Total Yards	362	306
Avg. Play	5.2	6.1
Fumbles	0	0
Lost	0	0
Penalties	1	3
Yards	15	33
Punts	3-132	3-118
Avg.	44.0	39.3
Punt Returns	1-27	0-0
Avg.	27.0	0.0
KO Return	3-32	3-60
Avg.	10.7	20.0
INTs	1	0
Return Yds	23	0
TOP	39:37	20:23
3rd Down	7-14	2-9
4th Down	2-3	1-3
Sacks By	2-17	1-9

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

YSU 9:25 • Colt Sechrest 7-yard pass from Mitch Davidson (Andrew Lastovka kick)
MUR 6:58 • Cole Rush 47-yard pass from Jayden Stinson (Matt Maldonado kick)

2nd Quarter

MUR 11:03 • Maldonado 26-yard FG
YSU 2:39 • Brandon Serrano 3-yard pass from M. Davidson (Lastovka kick missed)
YSU 0:54 • Bryce Oliver 14-yard pass from M. Davidson (Lastovka kick)

3rd Quarter

YSU 4:09 • Dra Rushton 3-yard rush (Lastovka kick)
MUR 1:00 • Michael Fox 9-yard pass from Stinson (Maldonado kick)

4th Quarter

YSU 5:11 • Oliver 2-yard pass from Davidson (Lastovka kick)

Individual Statistics

RUSHING: Youngstown State • Tyshon King 23-152, Dra Rushton 17-58; Mitch Davidson 2-7. Murray State • Jawaun Northington 11-47; Eric Phoenix 1-8; DJ Escort 1-0; Jayden Stinson 5-12.

RECEIVING: Youngstown State • Bryce Oliver 8-74; Max Tomczak 6-46; Dra Rushton 2-15; CJ Charleston 2-11; Brandon Serrano 2-5; Luke Hensley 2--2; Colt Sechrest 1-7 Murray State • Cole Rush 4-94; Michael Fox 4-36; Jacob Bell 2-44; Taylor Shields 1-35; Jawaun Northington 1-23; Parker Perry 1-13; Ben Williamson 1-12.

PASSING: Youngstown State • Mitch Davidson 23-26-156. Murray State • Jayden Stinson 12-30-245; Eric Phoenix 2-2-12.

INTERCEPTIONS: Youngstown State • Marcus Hooker - 1-23. Murray State • None

GAME
#12

**No. 21 | Youngstown State 40,
Duquesne 7**
Nov. 25, 2023 • Youngstown, Ohio
Stambaugh Stadium

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Duquesne	7	0	0	0	7
Youngstown State	10	14	6	10	40

In its first playoff contest since the 2017 National Championship Game, YSU played well-rounded football to defeat Duquesne, 40-7 at Stambaugh Stadium.

The Guins took a 10-0 lead in the contest following a nine-yard touchdown pass from Mitch Davidson to CJ Charleston and a 34-yard field goal by Andrew Lastovka. Duquesne pulled within 10-7 on a 24-yard TD run by Edward Robinson late in the first quarter, but after that it was all Guins.

Dra Rushton added a two-yard score before Davidson connected with Bryce Oliver for a 21-yard touchdown pass to push the halftime lead to 24-7. The TD catch by Oliver was the 26th of his YSU career, which eclipsed the previous school mark of 25 held since 1979.

Lastovka kicked three straight field goals from 25, 40 and 50 yards as the Penguins built a 33-7 lead. QB Beau Brungard's TD with 3:10 left capped off a 10:57 drive late in the fourth quarter.

Team Statistics

	DUQ	YSU
First Downs	8	25
Rushes	22	46
Yards	74	210
Passes	22	29
Yards	74	322
Total Plays	44	75
Total Yards	148	532
Avg. Play	3.4	7.1
Fumbles	2	3
Lost	0	0
Penalties	5	5
Yards	30	50
Punts	6-188	0-0
Avg.	39.5	0.0
Punt Returns	0-0-0	1-10-0
Avg.	0.0	10.0
KO Return	5-91-0	2-26-0
Avg.	18.2	13.0
INTs	0	1
Return Yds	0	0
TOP	17:33	42:27
3rd Down	1 of 11	9 of 15
4th Down	1 of 2	1 of 2
Sacks By	0-0	2-21

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

YSU 12:28 • CJ Charleston 9-yard pass from Mitch Davidson (Andrew Lastovka kick)
YSU 5:34 • Lastovka 34-yard FG
DUQ 1:06 • Edward Robinson 24-yard rush (Brian Bruzdewicz kick)

2nd Quarter

YSU 9:05 • Dra Rushton 2-yard rush (Lastovka kick)
YSU 0:35 • Bryce Oliver 21-yard pass from M. Davidson (Lastovka kick)

3rd Quarter

YSU 10:34 • Lastovka 25-yard FG
YSU 5:25 • Lastovka 40-yard FG

4th Quarter

YSU 14:51 • Lastovka 50-yard FG
YSU 3:10 • Beau Brungard 3-yard rush (Clay Medvec kick)

Individual Statistics

RUSHING: Youngstown State • Tyshon King 19-101; Dra Rushton 16-77; Cephus Harris III 3-11; Beau Brungard 3-15; Mitch Davidson 3-14; Da'Shaun Whatley 1-7. Duquesne • Taj Butts 7-44; Edward Robinson 4-32; Matt Robinson 3-18; JaMario Clements 3-1; Darius Perrantes 5-9.

RECEIVING: Youngstown State • Bryce Oliver 8-181; Colt Sechrest 2-22; Latrell Fordham 2-17; CJ Charleston 2-11; Max Tomczak 1-33; Joey Farthing 1-31; Brandon Serrano 1-15; Nate Damron 1-9; Dra Rushton 1-6; Luke Hensley 1--3. Duquesne • Taj Butts 3-41; Tedy Afful 2-11; Keshawn Brown 2-7; Darryl Powell, Jr. 1-11; Edward Robinson 1-4.

PASSING: Youngstown State • Mitch Davidson 18-27-316; Beau Brungard 2-2-6. Duquesne • Darius Perrantes 3-12-33; Matt Robinson 6-10-41.

INTERCEPTIONS: Youngstown State • Tyjon Jones 1-0. Duquesne • None

2023 GAME-BY-GAME RECAPS

GAME
#13
Villanova 45,
Youngstown State 28
Dec. 2, 2023 • Philadelphia, Pa.
Villanova Stadium | Att: 2,105

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Final
Youngstown State	3	7	3	15	28
Villanova	7	14	10	14	45

Youngstown State's 2023 season came to an end in the second round of the FCS Playoffs as the Penguins fell 45-28 to eighth-seeded Villanova at Villanova Stadium.

YSU held a 10-7 lead after Mitch Davidson threw a 34-yard touchdown to Joey Farthing a minute into the second quarter, but Villanova scored 31 of the next 34 points in the contest and built a 38-13 lead.

Davidson threw for 287 yards and three touchdowns in his final collegiate game. He completed 27 of his 44 attempts, and he finished the campaign with a school-record 3,088 yards.

Max Tomczak was on the receiving end of nine of those passes, and he finished with a game-high 105 yards through the air. Farthing finished with 73 yards and two scores, Bryce Oliver caught three of hits 10 targets for 38 yards in his final game. Dra Rushton ran for 48 yards on 13 carries to lead the rushing attack.

The Guins finished with 369 yards of offense, and they gained 22 first downs.

Team Statistics

	YSU	VIL
First Downs	22	19
Rushes	30	32
Yards	82	191
Passes	44	21
Yards	287	275
Total Plays	74	53
Total Yards	369	466
Avg. Play	5.0	8.8
Fumbles	1	1
Lost	0	0
Penalties	6	5
Yards	60	70
Punts	4-168	3-146
Avg.	42.0	48.7
Punt Returns	0-0-0	0-0-0
Avg.	0.0	0.0
KO Returns	6-162	4-95
Avg.	27.0	23.8
INTs	1	2
Return Yds	2	0
TOP	34:49	25:11
3rd Down	4 of 16	2 of 7
4th Down	3 of 4	0 of 0
Sacks By	1-13	3-19

Scoring Summary

1st Quarter

VIL 11:31 • Jalen Jackson 5-yard rush (Matthew Mercurio kick)

YSU 4:40 • Andrew Lastovka 25-yard FG

2nd Quarter

YSU 14:01 • Joey Farthing 34-yard pass from Mitch Davidson (Lastovka kick)

VIL 11:36 • Connor Watkins 1-yard rush (Mercurio kick)

VIL 5:26 • Jaylan Sanchez 64-yard pass from C. Watkins (Mercurio kick)

3rd Quarter

VIL 10:44 • Jackson 4-yard rush (Mercurio kick)

YSU 5:03 • Lastovka 31-yard FG

VIL 1:27 • Mercurio 31-yard FG

4th Quarter

VIL 11:41 • Watkins 14-yard rush (Mercurio kick)

YSU 8:53 • Luke Hensley 14-yard pass from Davidson (Lastovka kick)

VIL 4:52 • DeeWil Barlee 22-yard rush (M. Mercurio kick)

YSU 1:30 • Farthing 27-yard pass from Davidson (Lastovka kick)

Individual Statistics

RUSHING: Youngstown State • Dra Rushton 13-52; Mitch Davidson 9-37; Tyshon King 8-17. Villanova • Jalen Jackson 11-84; DeeWil Barlee 7-62; Connor Watkins 9-69; TD Ayo-Durojaite 2-0; Tanner Maddocks 1-0.

PASSING: Youngstown State • Mitch Davidson 27-44-287. Villanova • Connor Watkins 12-21-275.

RECEIVING: Youngstown State • Max Tomczak 9-105; Joey Farthing 4-73; Bryce Oliver 3-38; Tyshon King 3-25; Luke Hensley 2-21; Colt Sechrest 2-4; Brandon Serrano 2-3; Nate Damron 1-10; Dra Rushton 1-8; CJ Charleston 1-0. Villanova • Jaylan Sanchez 2-91; Jaaron Hayek 2-41; Antonio Johnson 2-40; TD Ayo-Durojaite 2-16; Luke Daly 1-45; Jalen Jackson 1-22; DeeWil Barlee 1-15; Rayjoun Pringle 1-5.

INTERCEPTIONS: Youngstown State • Alex Howard 1-2. Villanova • Isas Waxter 1-0; Christian Sapp 1-0.