



TARLETON STATE TEXAN FOOTBALL

GAME 14 | PLAYOFF GAME 2 | VS. VILLANOVA WILDCATS

SATURDAY, DEC. 13, 2025

KICKOFF 11 A.M. CT | MEMORIAL STADIUM (24,000) IN STEPHENVILLE, TEXAS

NCAA DIVISION I // UNITED ATHLETIC CONFERENCE (FCS) // #TEXANSAREHERE

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(12) VILLANOVA
WILDCATS

TEAM RECORD: 11-2
CONFERENCE RECORD: 7-1 (CAA)
STREAK: W10
HEAD COACH: MARK FERRANTE
COACH RECORD AT SCHOOL: 68-35 (IN 9TH YR)
COACH CAREER RECORD: 68-35 (IN 9TH YR)
COACH ALMA MATER: ST. LAWRENCE ('83)



(4) TARLETON
STATE
TEXANS

TEAM RECORD: 12-1
CONFERENCE RECORD: 7-1 (UAC)
STREAK: W3
HEAD COACH: TODD WHITTEN
COACH RECORD AT SCHOOL: 126-58 (IN 16TH YR)
COACH CAREER RECORD: 151-86 (IN 21ST YR)
COACH ALMA MATER: STEPHEN F. AUSTIN ('87)

ABOUT THE MATCHUP

- This is the first all-time meeting, and Tarleton State's third game against a team from Pennsylvania, first since 1990 (Westminster).
- Villanova has made the playoffs in three straight years and five of the last seven years. Villanova is 17-15 all-time in the FCS Playoffs.
- Villanova has won 10 straight games, its longest winning streak since 1997, when the Wildcats started 12-0 before a playoffs defeat.
- Villanova is a balanced team, 23rd in total defense (334.5 YPG allowed) and 35th in total offense (396.2 YPG).
- Villanova (five) has the fewest amount of turnovers in the country (TSU t-4th at 8). Villanova (+11) is t-9th in TO margin (TSU 1st, +30).

SERIES HISTORY	TIED 0-0
IN STEPHENVILLE	TIED 0-0
IN VILLANOVA	TIED 0-0
NEUTRAL/UNKNOWN LOCATIONS	TIED 0-0
FIRST MEETING	N/A
LAST MEETING	N/A
WHITTEN VS. VILLANOVA	0-0
SCHMIDT VS. TARLETON STATE	0-0
CURRENT STREAK	N/A
LONGEST TARLETON STATE WIN STREAK	N/A

QUICK HITS

- The Texans have reached the FCS Playoffs Quarterfinals in just their second year of D1 postseason eligibility. Tarleton State is the first FCS team since 1993 (Troy) to make the quarterfinals in its first two seasons of playoff eligibility (8+ team format in FCS). The Texans are the first active FCS program to accomplish that feat since 1985 (Eastern Washington). Tarleton State is one of four Texas programs to make the FCS Playoffs Quarterfinals in its first or second playoff appearance (Texas State in 2005, SFA in 1988, North Texas in 1983).
- Tarleton State now owns a 6-6 NCAA playoff record in seven playoff appearances (not including bowl games). Including bowl games, Tarleton State has played in 23 postseason games; 11-12 overall, 9-10 playoffs, 2-2 bowl.
- Tarleton State has hosted five playoff games in its NCAA era (4-1). The Texans just rolled North Dakota at home 31-13, outgaining them 437-248, with a 37-to-23 minute time of possession advantage.
- Tarleton State has tied its most wins in a single-season at 12 (2018). That season, Tarleton State won its first two playoff games, reaching the NCAA Division II quarterfinals before falling at No. 1 Minnesota State-Mankato.
- The Texans are undefeated at home this season at 7-0, with nine straight home wins. This is Tarleton State's longest home winning streak since rattling off 13 straight wins at Memorial Stadium from 2018-19.

FALL 2025 SCHEDULE



W
42-0



W (207)
30-27



W
59-3



W
56-10



W
52-24



W
52-42



W
41-23



W
45-10



W
31-7



L
31-28



W
61-0



W (OT)
45-44



W
31-13



UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

System Member	Texas A&M University System
Chancellor	Glenn Hegar
Location	Stephenville, Texas
Founded	1899
Enrollment	21,030
Nickname	Texans
Colors	Purple & White
Conference	United Athletic Conference (FCS)
Venue	Memorial Stadium
Playing Surface	CoolPlay by FieldTurf
Capacity	24,000
President	Dr. James Hurley
Vice President and Director of Athletics	Steve Uryasz

Dr. James Hurley
PRESIDENTMr. Steve Uryasz
DIR. OF ATHLETICSMr. Todd Whitten
HEAD COACH

FOOTBALL HISTORY

First Season of Competition	1915
No Intercollegiate Competition	1942-43
First Season as Senior College	1961
First Season as NCAA Division II	1994
First Season as NCAA Division I	2020
All-Time Record	542-502-33 (.519)
All-Time Record as a Senior College	351-327-3 (.518)
All-Time Record as an NCAA Institution	212-142-1 (.599)
All-Time Record as an NCAA Division I Institution	47-21 (.691)
TIAA Championships	6 ('77, '78, '86, '87, '89, '90)
Lone Star Conference (D2) Championships	5 ('01, '09, '13, '18, '19)
Lone Star Conference (D2) Division Championships	5 ('01, '02, '03, '06, '09)
Years in the TIAA National Playoffs	4 ('78, '87, '89, '90)
Years in the NCAA Division II Playoffs	5 ('01, '03, '09, '18, '19)
Years in the NCAA Division I Playoffs	2 ('24, '25)
All-Time Playoff Record	9-10

BOWL HISTORY

Bowl Invitations	*5
All-Time Bowl Record	2-2
1966 Aztec Bowl (Mexico City) vs Mexico All-Stars	W, 42-8
1984 Aztec Bowl (Mexico City) vs Mexico All-Stars	L, 15-22
1986 Sunflower Bowl (Winfield, KS) vs Benedictine	W, 40-38
2013 Heart of TX Bowl (Copperas Cove, TX) vs Ouachita Bapt	DNP
2017 Corsicana Bowl vs Central Oklahoma	L, 31-38

* the 2013 HOT Bowl vs Ouachita Baptist was canceled due to ice

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COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Todd Whitten
Alma Mater	Stephen F. Austin, 1987
Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator (ILB)	Tyrone Nix
Alma Mater	Southern Mississippi, 1995
Offensive Coordinator (QB)	Adam Austin
Alma Mater	Arizona, 2007
Co-Offensive Coordinator (OL)	Scott Carey
Alma Mater	Tarleton State, 1999
Special Teams Coordinator (S)	Michael Walton
Alma Mater	Eastern New Mexico, 2001
Assistant Coach (DL)	Fred Tate
Alma Mater	Southern Mississippi, 1997
Assistant Coach (OLB)	Jake Stone
Alma Mater	Tulane, 2016
Assistant Coach (WR)	Tate Whitten
Alma Mater	Tarleton State, 2016
Assistant Coach (RB)	Pepe Pearson
Alma Mater	Ohio State, 1998
Assistant Coach (CB)	Devante Sims
Alma Mater	Lake Erie College, 2014
Assistant Coach (TE)	Beau Blair
Alma Mater	Stephen F. Austin, 2014
Offensive Assistant	Braden Hucks
Alma Mater	Tarleton State, 2021
Defensive Assistant	TJ McCollum
Alma Mater	Western Kentucky, 2016

NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown / Previous School
0	Caden Holt	LB	6-2	230	SR	New Braunfels, TX / Blinn College
0	Tre Page III	RB	5-9	180	R-FR	Atlanta, GA / Langston Hughes HS
1	Tylan Hines	RB	5-7	180	JR	Mount Pleasant, TX / Hawaii
1	Ja'Voni Melidor	DB	6-0	175	R-SR	Columbia, SC / Benedict College
2	Cody Jackson	WR	6-0	175	JR	Richmond, TX / Houston
2	Kasyus Kurns	DB	5-10	170	SR	Chicago, IL / Fullerton College
3	Daniel Greek	QB	6-5	225	SR	Argyle, TX / Mississippi State
3	Les Odimara	DB	6-1	180	SR	Arlington, TX / Arlington HS
4	Omar Emmons	LB	5-9	170	SR	Greenwood, MS / Mississippi Valley State
4	Jaden Pete	QB	6-1	190	R-JR	Houston, TX / Tyler JC
5	Dabari Hawkins	DB	6-4	195	SR	Missouri City, TX / Trinity Valley CC
6	Caleb Lewis	RB	5-9	195	R-SR	New Orleans, LA / Pittsburg State
6	Ty Rawls	LB	6-0	220	SR	Wetumpka, AL / Jones College
7	Bam Smith	LB	6-0	225	SR	Hollywood, FL / Texas State
7	Marquis Willis	WR	6-2	215	R-JR	Atlanta, GA / Coahoma CC
8	Braelon Bridges	RB	5-10	180	JR	Houston, TX / Klein Collins HS
8	Branson Tita-Nwa	LB	6-0	195	SR	Memphis, TN / Fullerton College
9	Blake Smith	DB	5-11	175	SR	Pearland, TX / Dawson HS
9	T'iar Young	WR	6-2	225	SR	Philadelphia, PA / Lock Haven
10	Josh Griffiths	DL	6-4	282	SR	Starke, FL / Oregon State
10	Bryce Parker	WR	5-9	180	SO	Corona, CA / Utah Tech
11	Victor Gabalis	QB	6-3	220	SR	Duvall, WA / Utah Tech
11	Yasir Holmes	LB	6-4	240	SR	Indian Head, MD / Frostburg State
12	Mekhi Gibson	WR	5-8	165	JR	Trenton, NJ / Kutztown
12	Devin Sterling	LB	6-2	235	SR	Sunnyvale, TX / Sunnyvale HS
13	Peyton Kramer	WR	5-11	185	SR	Aledo, TX / Oklahoma State
13	Pius Njenge	DL	6-4	265	SR	Houston, TX / Gardner-Webb
14	Angelo Anderson	DL	6-3	265	SR	New Orleans, LA / Tulane
14	James Paige	QB/RB	5-10	196	SO	Newnan, GA / Newnan HS
15	Jadan Aubert	DB	5-10	195	R-SO	Vacherie, LA / Jones CC
15	Cardea Collier	QB	5-10	150	FR	Alvarado, TX / Alvarado HS
16	Ike Hall IV	WR	6-2	190	R-FR	Daytona Beach, FL / Brownwood HS
16	AJ Owens	LB	6-2	230	SR	Houston, TX / Hutchinson CC
17	Mike Hodge	WR	6-1	200	JR	Richmond, VA / Lackawanna College
18	Matt Freeman	LB	6-3	235	JR	Desoto, TX / Kilgore College
18	Preston Lancaster	QB	6-0	210	FR	Tuscaloosa, AL / Tuscaloosa Academy
19	Kyle Jackson	LB	6-1	225	SR	Manteca, CA / Modesto JC
19	Trevon West	WR	6-0	175	R-SR	Fort Worth, TX / Oklahoma
20	Evan Chisolm	WR	6-3	190	SR	El Paso, TX / Americas HS
21	Jeremiah Postell	DB	5-10	185	SR	Cibola, TX / Southern Arkansas
22	Luke Anderson	LB	6-1	215	SO	North Richland Hills, TX / Fort Worth Christian
23	Mike Hookfin	DB	5-9	185	SR	Spring, TX / Southeastern Oklahoma State
24	Avian Rice	DB	6-0	200	JR	Fort Myers, FL / Hutchinson CC
25	Steve Albert Jr.	LB	6-3	218	JR	Prattville, AL / Ellison HS
26	Brandon Tolvert	DL	6-1	295	SR	Columbus, GA / Newnan HS
27	Stephen Woods Jr.	LB	6-2	190	JR	Houston, TX / Angelo State
28	Bones Marks	DB	6-0	175	JR	Baltimore, MD / Tyler JC
29	Cayden Cutler	LB	5-11	190	JR	Mansfield, TX / Mansfield HS
30	Markell Johnson	LB	6-5	190	SO	Edmond, OK / Edmond Memorial HS
31	Deaubry Hood	DB	5-10	190	SO	Harker Heights, TX / Arkansas State
32	Koby Dickens	LB	6-0	195	R-FR	Paradise, TX / Paradise HS
33	Jay Henry	DL	6-3	275	JR	Oviedo, FL / Laney College
35	Kam Robinson	DB	6-1	190	SO	Dallas, TX / Tyler JC
36	Amechi Ofili	TE	6-3	250	SO	Rowlett, TX / Sachse HS
37	Hagan Stephenson	DB	5-10	180	SR	Eugene, OR / Marshall
38	Rodrick Roberts	LB	6-1	190	FR	North Richland Hills, TX / Richland HS
39	Deangelo Rosemond	RB	5-8	175	SR	San Antonio, TX / East Central HS
40	Morsello Hooker	DB	6-3	170	R-FR	Brownwood, TX / Brownwood HS
41	Reid Brass	LS	6-0	185	JR	Newnan, GA / Valdosta State
42	Tate Maruska	RB	5-10	185	R-FR	Stephenville, TX / Stephenville HS
43	Maxx Malyk	K	5-11	195	R-FR	Plano, TX / Hebron HS
43	Dawson Rudd	TE	6-6	295	JR	New Alluwe, OK / South Dakota State
44	Danny Joiner	TE	6-3	250	R-JR	Kansas City, MO / SEMO
44	Vilijami Wolfgramm	DL	6-4	285	JR	Fort Worth, TX / Kilgore College
45	Courtland Stephens	LB	6-0	185	SR	San Antonio, TX / MacArthur HS
46	Brad Larson	K	5-9	190	SR	Prosper, TX / Angelo State

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown / Previous School
47	Charlie Robinson	TE	6-1	245	JR	Lubbock, TX / Texas Tech
48	Reese Woerner	RB	5-8	190	JR	Eau Claire, WI / Memorial HS
49	Danny Hojdea	DB	6-1	200	SO	Fort Worth, TX / Rhodes College
50	Braxton Goff	OL	6-2	300	JR	Petal, MS / East Mississippi CC
51	Sione Teuhema	LB	6-3	220	SR	Arlington, TX / UTPB
52	Robert Rios	DL	6-4	315	SR	Killeen, TX / Shoemaker HS
53	Narci Wickley	LB	6-3	215	R-FR	San Antonio, TX / Alamo Heights HS
54	Sean DaVault	LB	6-1	220	FR	Sachse, Texas / Sachse HS
55	Artis Hall	OL	6-2	300	SR	Beaumont, TX / Trinity Valley CC
56	Carlos Fuentes	OL	6-3	315	R-JR	San Diego, CA / Southwestern College
57	Fred Fisher	LB	6-3	225	R-FR	Austin, TX / Westwood HS
58	Major Garza	OL	6-4	270	R-FR	Abilene, TX
59	Kurt Hatch	OL	6-3	305	SR	Weatherford, TX / Weatherford HS
60	Hunter Smith	OL	6-5	300	SR	Rockwall, TX / Heath HS
61	Xavier Parker	OL	6-3	285	R-FR	Oklahoma City, OK / Lone Star HS
65	Landon Rangel	OL	6-5	285	FR	Harker Heights, TX / Harker Heights HS
66	Jake Hall	OL	6-3	300	SO	Southlake, TX / Southlake Carroll HS
67	Keldrick Davis	OL	6-2	325	FR	Tyler, TX / Chapel Hill HS
68	Jordan Love	OL	6-2	290	SR	Rockledge, FL / Kennesaw State
69	Braden Smith	OL	6-4	290	R-FR	Franklin, TX / Franklin HS
70	Michael Collins	OL	6-4	290	FR	Waco, TX / Waco Midway HS
71	Connor Beeman	OL	6-3	280	SO	Killeen, TX / Killeen HS
72	Alec Ambrosia	OL	6-1	305	SR	Charlton, MA / Central Connecticut State
73	Aidan Moe	OL	6-8	310	JR	Parker, CO / Northern Colorado
75	Alex Todt	OL	6-4	300	JR	St. Louis, MO / Indiana State
76	Antonio Heath	OL	6-6	320	R-FR	South Euclid, OH / Charles F. Brush HS
77	Jack Gallagher	OL	6-6	250	SR	Fredericksburg, TX / Fredericksburg HS
78	Brodrick Stewart	DL	6-2	305	SO	Arlington, TX / Northern Arizona
79	Nathan Baker	OL	6-4	300	R-JR	Aylett, VA / West Virginia Wesleyan
80	Reis Taylor	WR	6-1	205	JR	Ardmore, OK / Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College
81	Reginald Harden	WR	6-5	195	SR	Jacksonville, FL / Arkansas State
82	Cydd Ford	WR	6-2	175	JR	Arlington, TX / James Martin HS
83	Charlie Mullen	P	6-4	220	JR	Houston, TX / Lamar HS
84	Corbin Poston	K	6-0	185	JR	Stephenville, TX / Stephenville HS
85	Klein Essler	TE	6-4	220	R-FR	Henrietta, TX / Henrietta HS
86	Matt Bosset	LS	6-2	225	SR	Ormond Beach, FL / Marshall
87	Wheeler Bowron	P	6-4	220	SR	Mountain Brook, AL / TCU
88	Dawson Hearne	TE	6-4	240	SR	Cisco, TX / Texas A&M-Commerce
89	Grant Ghali	WR	5-11	190	FR	Southlake, TX / Fort Worth Christian School
90	Luke Vyvlecka	TE	6-6	260	FR	Jourdanton, TX / Jourdanton HS
91	Jaydan Shaw	DL	6-2	255	FR	Lancaster, TX / Lancaster HS
92	Tramaine Chism	DL	6-3	290	SR	Tuscaloosa, AL / Hinds CC
93	Kane Bolt	LS	6-3	200	FR	Gunter, TX / Gunter HS
94	Leslie Adindu	DL	6-4	335	SR	Fort Worth, TX / Southern
97	James Turrentine	DL	6-1	305	SR	Sacramento, CA / Colorado State-Pueblo
98	Tanner Thompson	DL	6-1	250	R-FR	Red Oak, TX / Red Oak HS

PRACTICE SQUAD (as of Dec. 9)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown / Previous School
SQ	Junior Martinez	K	5-10	195	R-FR	Brownwood, TX / Brownwood HS
SQ	Colton Rodriguez	WR	5-9	165	FR	Dodd City, TX / Celina HS
SQ	Jerren Terrell	QB	6-4	215	SR	Orange, TX / Navarro College

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown / Previous School
94	Leslie Adindu	DL	6-4	335	SR	Fort Worth, TX / Southern
25	Steve Albert Jr.	LB	6-3	218	JR	Prattville, AL / Ellison HS
72	Alec Ambrosia	OL	6-1	305	SR	Charlton, MA / Central Connecticut State
14	Angelo Anderson	DL	6-3	265	SR	New Orleans, LA / Tulane
22	Luke Anderson	LB	6-1	215	SO	North Richland Hills, TX / Fort Worth Christian
15	Jadan Aubert	DB	5-10	195	R-SO	Vacherie, LA / Jones CC
79	Nathan Baker	OL	6-4	300	R-JR	Aylett, VA / West Virginia Wesleyan
71	Connor Beeman	OL	6-3	280	SO	Killeen, TX / Killeen HS
93	Kane Bolt	LS	6-3	200	FR	Gunter, TX / Gunter HS
86	Matt Bosset	LS	6-2	225	SR	Ormond Beach, FL / Marshall
87	Wheeler Bowron	P	6-4	220	SR	Mountain Brook, AL / TCU
41	Reid Brass	LS	6-0	185	JR	Newnan, GA / Valdosta State
8	Braelon Bridges	RB	5-10	180	JR	Houston, TX / Klein Collins HS
92	Tramaine Chism	DL	6-3	290	SR	Tuscaloosa, AL / Hinds CC
20	Evan Chisolm	WR	6-3	190	SR	El Paso, TX / Americas HS
15	Cardea Collier	QB	5-10	150	FR	Alvarado, TX / Alvarado HS
70	Michael Collins	OL	6-4	290	FR	Waco, TX / Waco Midway HS
29	Cayden Cutler	LB	5-11	190	JR	Mansfield, TX / Mansfield HS
54	Sean DaVault	LB	6-1	220	FR	Sachse, Texas / Sachse HS
67	Keldrick Davis	OL	6-2	325	FR	Tyler, TX / Chapel Hill HS
32	Koby Dickens	LB	6-0	195	R-FR	Paradise, TX / Paradise HS
4	Omar Emmons	LB	5-9	170	SR	Greenwood, MS / Mississippi Valley State
85	Klein Essler	TE	6-4	220	R-FR	Henrietta, TX / Henrietta HS
57	Fred Fisher	LB	6-3	225	R-FR	Austin, TX / Westwood HS
82	Cyld Ford	WR	6-2	175	JR	Arlington, TX / James Martin HS
18	Matt Freeman	LB	6-3	235	JR	Desoto, TX / Kilgore College
56	Carlos Fuentes	OL	6-3	315	R-JR	San Diego, CA / Southwestern College
11	Victor Gabalis	QB	6-3	220	SR	Duvall, WA / Utah Tech
77	Jack Gallagher	OL	6-6	250	SR	Fredericksburg, TX / Fredericksburg HS
58	Major Garza	OL	6-4	270	R-FR	Abilene, TX
89	Grant Ghali	WR	5-11	190	FR	Southlake, TX / Fort Worth Christian School
12	Mekhi Gibson	WR	5-8	165	JR	Trenton, NJ / Kutztown
50	Braxton Goff	OL	6-2	300	JR	Petal, MS / East Mississippi CC
3	Daniel Greek	QB	6-5	225	SR	Argyle, TX / Mississippi State
10	Josh Griffis	DL	6-4	282	SR	Starke, FL / Oregon State
55	Artis Hall	OL	6-2	300	SR	Beaumont, TX / Trinity Valley CC
66	Jake Hall	OL	6-3	300	SO	Southlake, TX / Southlake Carroll HS
16	Ike Hall IV	WR	6-2	190	R-FR	Daytona Beach, FL / Brownwood HS
81	Reginald Harden	WR	6-5	195	SR	Jacksonville, FL / Arkansas State
59	Kurt Hatch	OL	6-3	305	SR	Weatherford, TX / Weatherford HS
5	Dabari Hawkins	DB	6-4	195	SR	Missouri City, TX / Trinity Valley CC
88	Dawson Hearne	TE	6-4	240	SR	Cisco, TX / Texas A&M-Commerce
76	Antonio Heath	OL	6-6	320	R-FR	South Euclid, OH / Charles F. Brush HS
33	Jay Henry	DL	6-3	275	JR	Oviedo, FL / Laney College
1	Tylan Hines	RB	5-7	180	JR	Mount Pleasant, TX / Hawaii
17	Mike Hodge	WR	6-1	200	JR	Richmond, VA / Lackawanna College
49	Danny Hoidjea	DB	6-1	200	SO	Fort Worth, TX / Rhodes College
11	Yasir Holmes	LB	6-4	240	SR	Indian Head, MD / Frostburg State
0	Caden Holt	LB	6-2	230	SR	New Braunfels, TX / Blinn College
31	Deaubry Hood	DB	5-10	190	SO	Harker Heights, TX / Arkansas State
40	Morsello Hooker	DB	6-3	170	R-FR	Brownwood, TX / Brownwood HS
23	Mike Hookfin	DB	5-9	185	SR	Spring, TX / Southeastern Oklahoma State
2	Cody Jackson	WR	6-0	175	JR	Richmond, TX / Houston
19	Kyle Jackson	LB	6-1	225	SR	Manteca, CA / Modesto JC
30	Markell Johnson	LB	6-5	190	SO	Edmond, OK / Edmond Memorial HS
44	Danny Joiner	TE	6-3	250	R-JR	Kansas City, MO / SEMO
13	Peyton Kramer	WR	5-11	185	SR	Aledo, TX / Oklahoma State
2	Kasyus Kurns	DB	5-10	170	SR	Chicago, IL / Fullerton College
18	Preston Lancaster	QB	6-0	210	FR	Tuscaloosa, AL / Tuscaloosa Academy
46	Brad Larson	K	5-9	190	SR	Prosper, TX / Angelo State
6	Caleb Lewis	RB	5-9	195	R-SR	New Orleans, LA / Pittsburg State
68	Jordan Love	OL	6-2	290	SR	Rockledge, FL / Kennesaw State
43	Maxx Malyk	K	5-11	195	R-FR	Plano, TX / Hebron HS
28	Bones Marks	DB	6-0	175	JR	Baltimore, MD / Tyler JC
42	Tate Maruska	RB	5-10	185	R-FR	Stephenville, TX / Stephenville HS
1	Ja'Voni Melidor	DB	6-0	175	R-SR	Columbia, SC / Benedict College

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73	Aidan Moe	OL	6-8	310	JR	Parker, CO / Northern Colorado
83	Charlie Mullen	P	6-4	220	JR	Houston, TX / Lamar HS
13	Pius Njenge	DL	6-4	265	SR	Houston, TX / Gardner-Webb
3	Les Odimara	DB	6-1	180	SR	Arlington, TX / Arlington HS
36	Amechi Ofili	TE	6-3	250	SO	Rowlett, TX / Sachse HS
16	AJ Owens	LB	6-2	230	SR	Houston, TX / Hutchinson CC
0	Tre Page III	RB	5-9	180	R-FR	Atlanta, GA / Langston Hughes HS
14	James Paige	QB/RB	5-10	196	SO	Newnan, GA / Newnan HS
10	Bryce Parker	WR	5-9	180	SO	Corona, CA / Utah Tech
61	Xavier Parker	OL	6-3	285	R-FR	Oklahoma City, OK / Lone Star HS
4	Jaden Pete	QB	6-1	190	R-JR	Houston, TX / Tyler JC
21	Jeremiah Postell	DB	5-10	185	SR	Cibola, TX / Southern Arkansas
84	Corbin Poston	K	6-0	185	JR	Stephenville, TX / Stephenville HS
65	Landon Rangel	OL	6-5	285	FR	Harker Heights, TX / Harker Heights HS
6	Ty Rawls	LB	6-0	220	SR	Wetumpka, AL / Jones College
24	Avian Rice	DB	6-0	200	JR	Fort Myers, FL / Hutchinson CC
52	Rodrick Rios	DL	6-4	315	SR	Killeen, TX / Shoemaker HS
38	Rodrick Roberts	LB	6-1	190	FR	North Richland Hills, TX / Richland HS
47	Charlie Robinson	TE	6-1	245	JR	Lubbock, TX / Texas Tech
35	Kam Robinson	DB	6-1	190	SO	Dallas, TX / Tyler JC
39	Deangelo Rosemond	RB	5-8	175	SR	San Antonio, TX / East Central HS
43	Dawson Rudd	TE	6-6	295	JR	New Alluwe, OK / South Dakota State
91	Jaydan Shaw	DL	6-2	255	FR	Lancaster, TX / Lancaster HS
7	Bam Smith	LB	6-0	225	SR	Hollywood, FL / Texas State
9	Blake Smith	DB	5-11	175	SR	Pearland, TX / Dawson HS
69	Braden Smith	OL	6-4	290	R-FR	Franklin, TX / Franklin HS
60	Hunter Smith	OL	6-5	300	SR	Rockwall, TX / Heath HS
45	Courtland Stephens	LB	6-0	185	SR	San Antonio, TX / MacArthur HS
37	Hagan Stephenson	DB	5-10	180	SR	Eugene, OR / Marshall
12	Devin Sterling	LB	6-2	235	SR	Sunnyvale, TX / Sunnyvale HS
78	Brodrick Stewart	DL	6-2	305	SO	Arlington, TX / Northern Arizona
80	Reis Taylor	WR	6-1	205	JR	Ardmore, OK / Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College
51	Sione Teuhema	LB	6-3	220	SR	Arlington, TX / UTPB
98	Tanner Thompson	DL	6-1	250	R-FR	Red Oak, TX / Red Oak HS
8	Branson Tita-Nwa	LB	6-0	195	SR	Memphis, TN / Fullerton College
75	Alex Todt	OL	6-4	300	JR	St. Louis, MO / Indiana State
26	Brandon Tolvert	DL	6-1	295	SR	Columbus, GA / Newnan HS
97	James Turrentine	DL	6-1	305	SR	Sacramento, CA / Colorado State-Pueblo
90	Luke Vyrlecka	TE	6-6	260	FR	Jourdanton, TX / Jourdanton HS
19	Trevon Vyst	WR	6-0	175	R-SR	Fort Worth, TX / Oklahoma
53	Narci Wickley	LB	6-3	215	R-FR	San Antonio, TX / Alamo Heights HS
7	Marquis Willis	WR	6-2	215	R-JR	Atlanta, GA / Coahoma CC
48	Reese Woerner	RB	5-8	190	JR	Eau Claire, WI / Memorial HS
44	Vililami Wolframgram	DL	6-4	285	JR	Fort Worth, TX / Kilgore College
27	Stephen Woods Jr.	LB	6-2	190	JR	Houston, TX / Angelo State
9	T'iar Young	WR	6-2	225	SR	Philadelphia, PA / Lock Haven

PRACTICE SQUAD (as of Dec. 9)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown / Previous School
SQ	Junior Martinez	K	5-10	195	R-FR	Brownwood, TX / Brownwood HS
SQ	Colton Rodriguez	WR	5-9	165	FR	Dodd City, TX / Celina HS
SQ	Jerren Terrell	QB	6-4	215	SR	Orange, TX / Navarro College

PRONUNCIATION ROSTER

No.	Name	Pronunciation
0	Caden Holt	Kay-din Holt
0	Tre Page III	Tray Page the third
1	Tylan Hines	Tie-lin Hynes
1	Ja'Voni Melidor	Juh-Von-ee Mell-ih-door
2	Cody Jackson	Koh-dee Jack-sin
2	Kasyus Kurns	Kuh-sy-uss Kerns
3	Daniel Greek	Dan-yull Greek
3	Les Odimara	Less Oh-di-mar-uh
4	Omar Emmons	Oh-mar Em-ins
4	Jaden Pete	Jay-din Pete
5	Dabari Hawkins	Duh-bar-ee Hawk-ins
6	Caleb Lewis	Kaylib Lew-iss
6	Ty Rawls	Ty Rawls
7	Bam Smith	Bam Smith
7	Marquis Willis	Mar-keese Will-iss
8	Braelon Bridges	Bray-lin Bridges
8	Branson Tita-Nwa	Bran-sin Tituh-wah
9	Blake Smith	Blayke Smith
9	T'iar Young	Tea-air Young
10	Josh Griffis	Josh Griff-iss
10	Bryce Parker	Bryce Park-ur
11	Victor Gabalis	Vick-turr Guh-ball-iss
11	Yasir Holmes	Yah-seer Holms
12	Mekhi Gibson	Mih-ky Gib-sin
12	Devin Sterling	Deven Sterling
13	Peyton Kramer	Pay-tin Kray-murr
13	Pius Njenge	Pie-es Jenga
14	Angelo Anderson	An-juh-lo An-der-sin
14	James Paige	Jaymss Page
15	Jadan Aubert	Jay-din Ah-burt
15	Cardea Collier	Card-day-uh Coll-ee-ur
16	Ike Hall IV	Ike Hall the fourth
16	AJ Owens	AJ Oh-wins
17	Mike Hodge	Mike Hodge
18	Matt Freeman	Matt Free-min
18	Preston Lancaster	Preston Lan-cast-ur
19	Kyle Jackson	Ky-ull Jack-sun
19	Trevon West	Tray-von West
20	Evan Chisolm	Ehv-in Chih-zum
21	Jeremiah Postell	Jair-uh-myuh Pah-stell
22	Luke Anderson	Luke An-dur-sin
23	Mike Hookfin	Mike Hook-fin
24	Avian Rice	Ay-vee-on Rice
25	Steve Albert Jr.	Steve Al-burt Junior
26	Brandon Tolvert	Bran-din Toll-vurt
27	Stephen Woods Jr.	Steven Woods Junior
28	Bones Marks	Bones Marks
29	Cayden Cutler	Kay-din Cut-ler
30	Markell Johnson	Mar-kell John-sun
31	Deaubry Hood	Dee-aubry Hood
32	Koby Dickens	Ko-bee Dick-ins
33	Jay Henry	Jay Hen-ree
35	Kam Robinson	Kam Rob-in-sin
36	Amechi Ofili	Uh-mee-chee Oh-feel-ee
37	Hagan Stephenson	Hay-gin Steven-sin
38	Roddrick Roberts	Rodd-rick Rob-urts
39	Deangelo Rosemond	Dee-an-juh-low Rose-mahnd
40	Morsello Hooker	More-sell-oh Hook-ur
41	Reid Brass	Reed Brass
42	Tate Maruska	Tate Muh-roo-skuh
43	Maxx Malyk	Max Mal-ick
43	Dawson Rudd	Dawson Ruh-d
44	Danny Joiner	Dan-ee Join-ur
44	Vililami Wolfgramm	Vil-lee-lahmee Wolf-gramm
45	Courtland Stephens	Court-lend Steve-ens
46	Brad Larson	Brad Lar-sin

No.	Name	Pronunciation
47	Charlie Robinson	Char-lee Rob-in-sin
48	Reese Woerner	Reese Warner
49	Danny Hojdea	Danny Oh-hade-uh
50	Braxton Goff	Brax-tin Goff
51	Sione Teuhema	See-oh-nay Day-oh-hem-oh
52	Robert Rios	Robert Ree-ohss
53	Narci Wickley	Nar-see Wick-lee
54	Sean DaVault	Shawn Duh-vault
55	Artis Hall	Ar-tis Hall
56	Carlos Fuentes	Car-lohs Fwen-tez
57	Fred Fisher	Fred Fish-ur
58	Major Garza	May-jur Gar-zuh
59	Kurt Hatch	Kurt Hatch
60	Hunter Smith	Hunter Smith
61	Xavier Parker	Ex-zay-vee-urr Par-kurr
65	Landon Rangel	Landon Rang-uhl
66	Jake Hall	Jake Hall
67	Keldrick Davis	Kel-drick Davis
68	Jordan Love	Jor-din Love
69	Braden Smith	Bray-din Smith
70	Michael Collins	My-kul Coll-ins
71	Connor Beeman	Con-urr Bee-min
72	Alec Ambrosia	Alec Am-bro-sjuh
73	Aidan Moe	Ay-din Mo
75	Alex Todt	Alex Tote
76	Antonio Heath	An-tone-ee-oh Heeth
77	Jack Gallagher	Jack Gall-uh-ger
78	Brodrick Stewart	Brod-rick Stew-urt
79	Nathan Baker	Nay-thin Baker
80	Reis Taylor	Reese Tay-lur
81	Reginald Harden	Rej-ih-nuld Har-din
82	Cydd Ford	Sid Ford
83	Charlie Mullen	Char-lee Mull-in
84	Corbin Poston	Core-bin Post-in
85	Klein Essler	Kline Ess-lur
86	Matt Bosset	Matt Boss-it
87	Wheeler Bowron	Wheel-ur Boh-rin
88	Dawson Hearne	Daw-sin Hern
89	Grant Ghali	Grant Gall-ee
90	Luke Vvylecka	Luke Viv-lech-kuh
91	Jaydan Shaw	Jaden Shaw
92	Tramaine Chism	Truh-main Chih-zum
93	Kane Bolt	Kane Bolt
94	Leslie Adindu	Leslie Uh-din-doo
97	James Turrentine	James Tur-in-tine
98	Tanner Thompson	Tan-er Tomp-sin

PRACTICE SQUAD (as of Dec. 9)

No.	Name	Pronunciation
SQ	Junior Martinez	Junior Mar-teen-is
SQ	Colton Rodriguez	Colton Rod-reeg-ez
SQ	Jerren Terrell	Jair-in Tur-el

A LOOK AT THE OPPOSITION



GENERAL INFORMATION

Location.....Villanova, Pennsylvania
 Established.....1842
 Enrollment.....6,700
 Colors.....Blue and White
 President.....Rev. Peter M. Donohue
 Athletic Director.....Eric Roedl
 Conference.....CAA (DI FCS)
 Stadium.....Villanova Stadium (12,000)
 Website.....www.villanova.com

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach.....Mark Ferrante
 HC Alma Mater (Grad Yr).....St. Edwards ('83)
 Record at School.....68-35 (In 9th Yr)
 Record Overall.....68-35 (In 9th Yr)
 Offensive Coordinator.....Chris Boden
 Defensive Coordinator.....Ross Pennypacker
 Special Teams Coordinator.....Josh Fletcher

SERIES INFORMATION

Overall Record.....TIED 0-0
 In Stephenville.....TIED 0-0
 In Villanova.....TIED 0-0
 At a neutral site.....TIED 0-0
 Site unknown.....TIED 0-0
 First Meeting.....N/A
 Last Meeting.....N/A

VILLANOVA
WILDCATS

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School (Previous)	No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School (Previous)
0	Capri Martin	DL	Jr.	6-2	255	Harlem, N.Y./Iona Prep (NY)	50	AJ Koukou	DL	RFr.	6-1	285	Havertown, Pa./Episcopal Academy
0	Luke Larsen	P	Gr.	6-2	225	Keilor Park, Vic, Australia/St. Bernard's (East Carolina)	51	Dale Law	LB	Sr.	6-1	230	West Chester, Pa./Malvern Prep
1	Jon Wyatt	DB	Jr.	6-2	200	Somerset, N.J./St. Thomas Aquinas	53	Michael Gaul	LB	Fr.	6-1	215	State College, Pa./State College
1	Luke Colella	WR	Gr.	5-10	195	Wexford, Pa./North Allegheny/Princeton	54	Thomas Colello	LS	So.	5-11	195	North Caldwell, N.J./Delbarton
2	Eli Smith	RB	Sr.	6-0	230	Houston, Texas/Second Baptist	55	Mike Kennedy	DL	Jr.	6-1	300	Greenville, S.C./Southside Christian
2	Zahmir Dawud	DB	So.	6-0	185	N. Brunswick, N.J./N. Brunswick Twp.	56	Christian Caballero	LB	So.	6-2	225	Niceville, Fla./Niceville
3	Tanner Maddocks	QB	Jr.	6-1	200	Reading, Pa./Fleetwood	58	Thomas Brown	OL	Fr.	6-3	315	Chelmsford, Mass./Chelmsford
3	Josh Oluremi	DB	Jr.	6-3	200	Avenel, N.J./Colonia	61	Dan McManus	OL	Sr.	6-4	270	Havertown, Pa./Cardinal O'Hara
4	Jordan Adderley	DB	Gr.	5-10	185	Fayetteville, Ga./Sandy Creek/Lehigh	62	RJ Reyes	OL	So.	6-5	295	Weston, Fla./Western
4	Ja'briel Mace	RB	So.	5-9	175	Somers Point, N.J./Mainland	63	Quin Whalen	OL	Sr.	6-4	290	Chalfont, Pa./Central Bucks West
5	Turner Inge	LB	Jr.	6-1	225	Williamstown, N.J./Williamstown	67	Kyle Fay	OL	So.	6-6	310	Cranford, N.J./Cranford
6	Nate Hill	WR	Jr.	6-3	215	Dallas, Texas/Parish Episcopal	69	Jake Picard	OL	Gr.	6-4	310	Hope, R.I./Bishop Hendricken
7	Julian Talley	DB	Gr.	5-9	190	Hatfield, Pa./St. Joe's Prep/Penn	70	Dhamir Wesley	OL	RFr.	6-5	300	Millersville, Pa./Penn Manor
7	Pat McQuaide	QB	Gr.	6-0	205	Solon, Ohio/Solon/Nicholls State	71	Colt Brennan	OL	Fr.	6-5	325	Easton, Md./St. Mary's
8	Kaleb Moody	DB	Gr.	5-10	200	N. Andover, Mass./Choate (Conn)/Harvard	72	Matthias Ogrinc	OL	Fr.	6-4	270	Hingham, Mass./St. Sebastian's
8	Michael Benincasa	QB	Jr.	6-2	215	Ardmore, Pa./Haverford School(Franklin & Marshall)	73	Nico Sclafani	OL	Fr.	6-2	290	Bethesda, Md./Georgetown Prep
9	Antonio Johnson	TE	Sr.	6-4	260	Fort Lauderdale, Fla./St. Thomas Aquinas	74	Temi Ajitrotutu	OL	Gr.	6-5	310	Queens, N.Y./Eagle Academy
10	JR Strauss	LB	Jr.	6-3	230	Reading, Pa./Exeter Township	75	Stephane Voltaire	OL	Sr.	6-5	315	Randolph, Mass./Tabor Academy
11	Jason Hall	LB	So.	6-2	230	Fall River, Mass./Suffield Academy (Conn.)	76	Chris McCullers	OL	So.	6-3	310	Round Hill, Va./Woodgrove
12	Hudson Heinemann	QB	Fr.	6-2	170	Wappingers Falls, N.Y./IMG Academy	77	Chris Therien	OL	Fr.	6-5	280	Marlton, N.J./Cherokee
12	Colin Kennedy	LB	Sr.	6-2	225	Fair Haven, N.J./Rumson-Fair Haven	78	Tommy Broderick	OL	So.	6-5	295	Alpharetta, Ga./Cambridge
13	Chris Colby	WR	So.	6-3	205	Rowley, Mass./Pingree School	79	Ryan Cregan	OL	So.	6-6	315	Morristown, N.J./Delbarton
14	Robert Russo	QB	Jr.	6-3	225	Millsboro, Del./Delbarton	80	D'Hani Cobbs	WR	Fr.	5-9	180	Camden, N.J./Camden
14	Dylan Mills	QB	So.	6-2	205	Dana Point, Calif./San Clemente	81	Brandon Binkowski	WR	RFr.	6-3	205	Haymarket, Va./Battlefield
15	Kenyon Miles	WR	Jr.	6-2	195	Huntington Station, N.Y./St. Anthony's	82	Ryan Kennedy	WR	Jr.	6-1	195	Cleveland Heights, Ohio/St. Ignatius
16	Lucas Kopecky	WR	Gr.	6-3	200	Rocky Hill, N.J./Montgomery	83	Braden Reed	WR	Fr.	5-9	180	Pottstown, Pa./Pope John Paul
16	Jack Ryder	QB	Sr.	6-2	195	Media, Pa./Strath Haven (IMG Academy, Fla.)	84	Ralee Stephens	WR	RFr.	5-9	165	Asbury, N.J./Asbury Park
18	Julian Glantz	RB	Sr.	6-1	220	Scarsdale, N.Y./Scarsdale	85	Nolan Clayton	TE	So.	6-5	245	King of Prussia, Pa./Upper Merion
19	Chris Dobrydney	WR	Sr.	5-10	185	Fairfax, Va./Woodson	86	Sean Brodnik	TE	RFr.	6-3	245	Ardmore, Pa./Haverford School
20	Isaiah Ragland	RB	So.	5-9	205	Alexandria, Va./Centreville	87	Ryan Sorge	WR	Jr.	6-3	205	Warrington, Pa./La Salle College High School
21	Jayvont Williams	DB	So.	6-1	205	Ft. Worth, Tex./All Saints Episcopal	89	Sean Welde	TE	Fr.	6-6	260	Cherry Hill, N.J./Camden Catholic
22	Christian Sapp	DB	Sr.	6-0	195	East Stroudsburg, Pa./East Stroudsburg South	90	Sebastian Smith	PK	Sr.	5-10	195	Bellingham, Wash./Squalicum
23	Jamie Tyson	DB	RFr.	6-2	200	Somers Point, N.J./Mainland	91	Ayden Howard	DL	Gr.	6-2	290	McKinney, Texas/Bishop Lynch
24	David Avit	RB	So.	6-0	225	Frederick, Md./Winston Churchill	92	Nigel McSween	DL	So.	6-4	250	Newark, N.J./Delbarton
25	Amari Jackson	DB	Fr.	6-0	185	Midland, Pa./Beaver	93	Nate Sullivan	DL	Fr.	6-4	245	Bethesda, Md./Walt Whitman
26	Isaiah Wright	RB	Sr.	5-8	200	Douglassville, Pa./Malvern Prep	94	Ivan Murray	DL	So.	6-3	275	Paulsboro, N.J./Paulsboro
27	Anthony Hawkins	DB	RFr.	6-3	195	Arnold, Md./Choate Rosemary Hall (Conn.)	95	Tyler Langin	DL	Jr.	6-3	270	Houston, Tex./St. Thomas
28	Brenden Toppin	DB	Fr.	5-11	195	Glastonbury, Conn./Suffield Academy	96	Ugo Nwotite	DL	RFr.	6-5	230	Linwood, N.J./St. Augustine Prep
29	Samir Wilkins	DB	Fr.	5-11	170	Newark, N.J./Shabazz	97	Daniel Mueller	P	Jr.	5-10	200	Ephrata, Pa./Lancaster Catholic
31	Shane Hartzell	LB	Sr.	6-0	230	Perkasie, Pa./Pennridge	98	Obinna Nwobodo	DL	Gr.	6-3	295	Wilmington, Del./Delaware County Christian School
32	Omari Bursey	LB	RFr.	6-0	230	Broomfield, Colo./Legacy	99	Ratu Delano Navoti	DL	RFr.	6-3	290	Brooklyn, N.Y./Xavier
33	Ian Files	DB	Fr.	6-0	190	Newtown Square, Pa./Malvern Prep							
34	Tyler Womack	RB	Fr.	5-10	190	Pasadena, Md./Annapolis		MARK FERRANTE (Head Coach); St. Lawrence '83; 9th Season					
35	Langston White	LB	RFr.	6-2	215	Bristow, Va./Brentsville		SEAN DEVINE (Offensive Run Game Coordinator/Offensive Line); Colby College '94; 9th Season					
36	Damill Bostic, Jr.	DB	RFr.	6-0	185	Hyattsville, Md./Archbishop Carroll		CHRIS BODEN (Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks); Villanova '00; 7th Season					
38	Newton Essiem	DB	So.	5-11	185	Frederick, Md./Frederick		ROSS PENNYPACKER (Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Line); Millersville '05; 11th Season					
39	Luke Myers	PK	RFr.	5-10	195	Breinigsville, Pa./Allentown Central Catholic		DAVID RIEDE (Recruiting Coordinator/Linebackers); Baldwin Wallace '03; 19th Season					
41	Garrett Rogan	DB	Sr.	6-3	210	Mercer Island, Wash./Mercer Island		NATE PAGAN (Wide Receivers); West Chester '13; 9th Season					
42	Jack Barnum	PK	Gr.	6-2	210	Southington, Conn./Southington Central Conn. St.		JOSH FLETCHER (Running Backs/Special Teams Coordinator); McDaniel '14; 7th Season					
43	Nino Betances	DB	Sr.	5-10	190	Brooklyn, N.Y./Eagle Academy II		DUSTIN JOHNSON (Cornerbacks); Salisbury '06; 4th Season					
44	Richie Kimmel	LB	Gr.	6-1	230	Holmes, Pa./Archbishop Carroll		FORREST RHYNE (Linebackers); Villanova '21; 1st Season					
45	Walker Murray	LB	Fr.	6-1	225	Yardley, Pa./Pennsbury		LACHLAN KLINE (Offensive Assistant/Tight Ends); Florida '20; 4th Season					
48	Griffin Galletta	DL	Fr.	6-2	260	Greenwich, Conn./The Hun School (NJ)		NICK WOODMAN (Defensive Assistant); Utica '16; 1st Season					

DEPTH CHARTS

TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY TEXANS

OFFENSE

QB*	*11	Victor Gabalis	6-3	220	SR
OR	*3	Daniel Greek	6-5	225	SR
RB	1	Tylan Hines	5-7	180	JR
	6	Caleb Lewis	5-9	195	R-SR
LT	73	Aidan Moe	6-8	310	JR
	61	Xavier Parker	6-3	285	R-FR
LG	60	Hunter Smith	6-5	300	SR
	75	Alex Todt	6-4	300	JR
C	68	Jordan Love	6-2	290	SR
	55	Artis Hall	6-2	300	SR
RG	69	Braden Smith	6-4	290	R-FR
	72	Alec Ambrosia	6-1	305	SR
RT	59	Kurt Hatch	6-3	305	SR
	77	Jack Gallagher	6-6	250	SR
TE	88	Dawson Hearne	6-4	240	SR
	44	Danny Joiner	6-3	250	R-JR
WR	19	Trevon West	6-0	175	R-SR
	9	T'iar Young	6-2	225	SR
WR*	*2	Cody Jackson	6-0	175	JR
OR	*7	Marquis Willis	6-2	215	R-JR
WR	13	Peyton Kramer	5-11	185	SR
	10	Bryce Parker	5-9	180	SO

DEFENSE

END	10	Josh Griffis	6-4	282	SR
	13	Pius Njenge	6-4	265	SR
NOSE	92	Tramaine Chism	6-3	290	SR
	97	James Turrentine	6-1	305	SR
DE	26	Brandon Tolvert	6-1	295	SR
	52	Robert Rios	6-4	315	SR
SAM	4	Omar Emmons	5-9	170	SR
	27	Stephen Woods Jr.	6-2	190	JR
MIKE	12	Devin Sterling	6-2	235	SR
	32	Koby Dickens	6-0	195	R-FR
JACK	16	AJ Owens	6-2	230	SR
	7	Bam Smith	6-0	225	SR
WILL*	*11	Yasir Holmes	6-4	240	SR
OR	*14	Angelo Anderson	6-3	265	SR
CB	2	Kasyus Kurns	5-10	170	SR
	28	Bones Marks	6-0	175	JR
FS	9	Blake Smith	5-11	175	SR
	24	Avian Rice	6-0	200	JR
BS	6	Ty Rawls	6-0	220	SR
	15	Jadan Aubert	5-10	195	R-SO
CB	1	Ja'Voni Melidor	6-0	175	R-SR
	5	Dabari Hawkins	6-4	195	SR

SPECIALISTS

P	83	Charlie Mullen	6-4	220	JR
	87	Wheeler Bowron	6-4	220	SR
K	46	Brad Larson	5-9	190	SR
	84	Corbin Poston	6-0	185	JR
LS	41	Reid Brass	6-0	185	JR
	86	Matt Bosset	6-2	225	SR
SS	86	Matt Bosset	6-2	225	SR
	41	Reid Brass	6-0	185	JR
H	83	Charlie Mullen	6-4	220	JR
	87	Wheeler Bowron	6-4	220	SR
KR	39	Deangelo Rosemond	5-8	175	SR
	6	Caleb Lewis	5-9	195	R-SR
PR	6	Caleb Lewis	5-9	195	R-SR
	9	Blake Smith	5-11	175	SR

* indicates a game-time decision

VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY WILDCATS

OFFENSE

QB	7	Pat McQuaide (6-0, 190, Gr.)
	3	Tanner Maddocks (6-1, 200, Jr.)
RB	20	Isaiah Ragland (5-9, 215, So.)
	4	Ja'bril Mace (5-9, 175, So.)
WR	1	Luke Colella (5-10, 190, Gr.)
	13	Chris Colby (6-3, 205, So.)
WR	16	Lucas Kopecky (6-3, 200, Gr.)
	81	Brandon Binkowski (6-3, 205, RFr.)
WR	83	Braden Reed (5-9, 175, Fr.)
	84	Ralee Stephens (5-9, 165, RFr.)
TE	9	Antonio Johnson (6-4, 260, Sr.)
	85	Nolan Clayton (6-5, 245, So.)
RT	67	Kyle Fay (6-6, 310, So.)
	79	Ryan Cregan (6-6, 315, So.)
LT	75	Stephane Voltaire (6-5, 320, Sr.)
	79	Ryan Cregan (6-6, 315, So.)
C	63	Quin Whalen (6-4, 290, Sr.)
	76	Chris McCullers (6-3, 310, So.)
LG	76	Chris McCullers (6-3, 310, So.)
	78	Tommy Broderick (6-5, 295, So.)
RG	74	Temí Ajírotutu (6-5, 310, Gr.)
	78	Tommy Broderick (6-5, 295, So.)

DEFENSE

DE	91	Ayden Howard (6-2, 290, Gr.)
	99	Ratu Delano Navoti (6-3, 290, RFr.)
DT	98	Obinna Nwobodo (6-3, 295, Gr.)
	50	AJ Koukou (6-1, 285, RFr.)
DE	0	Capri Martin (6-2, 255, Jr.)
	96	Ugo Nwotite (6-5, 230, RFr.)
LB	31	Shane Hartzell (6-0, 230, Sr.)
	51	Dale Law (6-1, 230, Sr.)
LB	44	Richie Kimmel (6-1, 230, Gr.)
	11	Jason Hall (6-2, 230, So.)
LB	32	Omari Bursey (6-0, 230, RFr.)
	5	Turner Inge (6-1, 225, Jr.)
CB	2	Zahmir Dawud (6-0, 185, So.)
	1	Jon Wyatt (6-2, 200, Jr.)
CB	36	Damil Bostic (6-0, 185, RFr.)
	38	Newton Essiem (5-11, 175, Fr.)
FS	27	Anthony Hawkins (6-3, 196, So.)
	21	Jayvont Williams (6-1, 200, So.)
WS	22	Christian Sapp (6-0, 195, Sr.)
	8	Kaleb Moody (5-10, 200, Gr.)
	3	Josh Oluremi (6-3, 205, Jr.)
SS	41	Garrett Rogan (6-3, 210, Sr.)
	23	Jamie Tyson (6-2, 200, RFR.)

SPECIALISTS

PK	42	Jack Barnum (6-2, 200, Gr.)
	39	Luke Myers (5-10, 195, RFr.)
KO	42	Jack Barnum (6-2, 200, Gr.)
P	0	Luke Larsen (6-2, 235, Gr.)
	97	Daniel Mueller (5-10, 200, Jr.)
H	16	Jack Ryder (6-2, 195, Sr.)
	0	Luke Larsen (6-2, 235, Gr.)
LS	54	Thomas Colello (5-11, 195, So.)
KR	4	Ja'bril Mace (5-9, 175, So.)
	26	Isaiah Wright (5-8, 200, Sr.)
PR	83	Braden Reed (5-9, 175, Fr.)
	3	Tanner Maddocks (6-1, 200, Jr.)

MEDIA AVAILABILITY / INFORMATION

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<u>NO AVAILABILITY</u>	**IF A WIN** <u>AVAILABILITY AFTER PRACTICE</u> Upon request only, Coach Whitten and requested players are available in-person after practice.	**IF A WIN** <u>AVAILABILITY AFTER PRACTICE</u> Upon request only, Coach Whitten and requested players are available in-person after practice.	**IF A WIN** <u>ZOOM CONFERENCE</u> Zoom availability with Coach Whitten at 2 p.m. Request Zoom link from Jake Withee if interested in participating.	**IF A WIN** <u>TODD WHITTEN SHOW</u> Coach Whitten will do his live show on KTRL 90.5 FM and TarletonSports.com/watch live at 12 p.m. at Triple Crown Ford.	<u>NO AVAILABILITY</u>	<u>NO AVAILABILITY</u>

CREDENTIALS

Credentials for Tarleton State home games are issued to working media only. Due to limitations and work space in the press box, game day credentials will be granted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Additional seating is available in the east side press box. Credentials may be requested at TarletonSports.com/media.

WEEKLY GAME NOTES

Game Notes and a weekend preview story are released no later than 5 p.m. on Thursday of game weeks at TarletonSports.com. Members of the media who would like to receive copies of the weekly game notes via email may do so by emailing Jake Withee at jwithee@tarleton.edu.

PRESS BOX

The Press Box is available to working media only. Loitering will not be permitted. Media members are asked to use the elevator on the north side of the press box, farthest away from the video board.

MEDIA WILL CALL

Media can pick up their credentials at the will call window on the home side ticket booth at Memorial Stadium. The ticket window opens two hours prior to kickoff.

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PLAYOFF MATCHUP

The 4-seed Tarleton State will host the 12-seed Villanova on Saturday, the first meeting between the two. Like most teams in the playoffs, both teams are well balanced, and turnovers may be the key in Saturday's game. The Wildcats have the fewest turnovers across all of the FCS, with just five coughed up all season, spanning four of their 13 games played. Meanwhile, the Texans are No. 1 in takeaways, with 38 on the year (next closest is at 28). That's the most takeaways by an FCS program since James Madison had 44 in 2017.

The Texans have a Walter Payton Award finalist at quarterback who ranks No. 2 in pass yards per completion (15.4), No. 7 in pass touchdowns (28), No. 7 in passing efficiency (164.9), and No. 14 in pass yards per game (244.2). As a team, the Texans are No. 12 in pass offense (267.8 YPG), and Villanova allows 201.4 pass yards per game, No. 40 in the FCS. Of course, the Texans' rushing offense is as elite as their pass offense, averaging the 12th most rush yards per game at 204.5. Villanova has a solid rush defense to counter, allowing just 133.1 yards per game, No. 29 in the country.

On the flip side, Villanova has a better rushing offense (No. 32, 177.8 YPG) than passing offense (No. 51, 218.4 YPG). The same can be said about Tarleton State's rush defense and pass defense, with the Texans No. 6 in pass defense (160.5 YPG) and No. 69 in rush defense (163.6 YPG). Tarleton State has allowed more 200-yard rushing

performances (five) than 200-yard passing performances (three).

In a college football world that is typically familiar, Saturday's matchup is not. The Texans have never played Villanova and have played just a single team from Pennsylvania. The Texans hosted Westminster twice, the games played in 1989 and 1990. This is the second straight year Villanova will play an FCS Playoffs game in the state of Texas, as the Wildcats faced Incarnate Word in San Antonio in the second round last year, falling 13-6.

HISTORIC SEASON

It's been a historic season for the Texans. The team is the 4-seed in the FCS Playoffs and has advanced to the quarterfinals, conference co-champs and 12-1 overall, including a spotless 7-0 mark at home. They have won a pair of nationally televised games (42-0 at Portland State on ESPN2 during Week 0, 30-27 OT at Army on CBS Sports Network during Week 1), have set record crowds at Memorial Stadium, and were ranked as high as No. 2 in the national polls.

Offensively, the Texans are one of the best teams in the nation, ranked No. 1 in scoring (44.1 points per game), No. 4 in total offense (472.3 YPG), No. 4 in team passing efficiency (170.5), No. 12 in rushing offense (204.5 YPG), and No. 12 in passing offense (267.8 YPG).

Turnovers and takeaways have been a major reason for Tarleton State's historic campaign. On offense, the Texans

have turned the ball over just eight times, the tied-fourth fewest amount of turnovers lost across the FCS. On the flip side, Tarleton State has earned 38 takeaways, by far the most in the FCS with the next closest team at 28. The Texans' 38 takeaways are the most by an FCS team since 2017 (James Madison with 44). Tarleton State averages a turnover margin of +2.31, well above the margin that the No. 2 team averages (North Dakota State at +1.38). Tarleton State currently has the third highest average turnover margin in FCS history.

Furthermore defensively, Tarleton State has been elite, No. 6 in pass defense (160.5 YPG allowed), tied-10th in scoring defense (18.0 PPG allowed) and No. 16 in total defense (324.2 YPG allowed). The Texan defense has scored four touchdowns themselves, tied-fifth most in the nation (Jadan Aubert, Omar Emmons, AJ Owens, Ty Rawls). It's been a full effort by the Texans on defense, with 13 players recording a fumble recovery, 13 players with an interception, nine with a forced fumble, eight with a sack, six players at 5.0+ TFL, and four with a defensive touchdown. Kasyus Kurns has the tied-most interceptions in the nation at six, and has the highest interception rate per game at 0.55. Angelo Anderson is second in the nation in forced fumbles per game (0.45) and is tied-10th in the nation in sacks per game at 0.86.

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QUARTERFINALS RARITY

As elite as Tarleton State has been, it's important to not take the run for granted. Tarleton State is just the first FCS team since 1993 (Troy) to make the FCS Playoffs Quarterfinals in its first two seasons of playoff eligibility (8+ team format in FCS). The Texans are the first team since 1985 that is currently in the FCS to accomplish that feat.

- Tarleton State (2025)
- Troy (1993)
- UCF (1990)
- Eastern Washington (1985)
- Holy Cross (1983)
- Indiana State (1983)
- Southern Illinois (1983)
- Colgate (1982)
- Eastern Illinois (1982)
- Western Carolina (1982)
- South Carolina State (1981)
- Tennessee State (1981)
- Delaware (1981)
- Boise State (1980)

Tarleton State is also one of four Texas schools to make an FCS Playoffs Quarterfinal in its first or second playoff appearance.

- Tarleton State (2025)
- Texas State (2005)
- Stephen F. Austin (1988)
- North Texas (1983)

GABALLER

Gabalis keeps solidifying his resume as one of the best quarterbacks in Tarleton State Football history. He recently surpassed Ben Holmes in career pass touchdowns and now is No. 2 in program history, and he just surpassed Scott Grantham for No. 3 on the career pass yards list. He is just three pass touchdowns short of the program's all-time career pass touchdown mark, and 181 pass yards short of the No. 1 spot on the program's all-time career pass yards list.

- Tarleton State Career Pass TD:
1. Zed Woerner 72 (2014-17)
 2. Victor Gabalis 69 (2023-25)
 3. Ben Holmes 62 (2018-19)
 4. Scott Grantham 57 (2007-09)
 5. Steve Kelly 51 (1999-01)

Tarleton State Career Pass Yards:

1. Zed Woerner 8,243 (2014-17)
2. Steve Kelly 8,203 (1999-01)
3. Victor Gabalis 8,062 (2023-25)
4. Scott Grantham 7,860 (2007-09)
5. Chad Cole 7,267 (1995-98)

Through his 11 games played, Texan quarterback Victor Gabalis has completed 175-of-293 (.597) passes for 2,687 yards, 28 touchdowns, and five interceptions.

This is Gabalis' sixth season at the collegiate level; two seasons at Washington State (2020-21), one season at Utah Tech (2022) and now in his third season at Tarleton State (2023-25). He's played in 48 career collegiate

games, sitting at 10,209 passing yards and 88 passing touchdowns. In games Gabalis has started in his career, his teams have gone 30-9 (.769). At Tarleton State, Gabalis is 27-7 (.794) as a starter with 8,062 passing yards on 532-of-903 (.589) passing and 69 touchdowns.

Stats Perform announced Gabalis is on its list of 30 finalists for the 2025 Walter Payton Award, which is presented to the national offensive player of the year in Division I FCS college football. Gabalis has thrown 3+ touchdowns in more than half of his games played (six), including a four-touchdown game and a season-high five touchdowns against Mississippi Valley State on Sept. 6, to go with 295 pass yards. His five passing touchdowns are the most in a game by a Tarleton State QB in 10 years, since Zed Woerner had five against Oklahoma Panhandle on Oct. 24, 2015. He had three touchdowns and 311 pass yards in the regular season finale, in which he led a comeback victory at Austin Peay to win a share of the UAC championship, leading the Texans on a game-tying drive at the end of regulation, then throwing the game-winning touchdown in overtime. He also just threw for three touchdowns and 292 yards in the second round of the FCS Playoffs to help defeat North Dakota 31-13. During the preseason, Gabalis was named the unanimous UAC Preseason Offensive Player of the Year and to the Preseason All-UAC Team. He was also named to the 2025 Walter Payton Award Preseason Watch List, one of 30 players named to the list for an award that is equivalent to the Heisman Trophy at the FBS level.

ALL-CONFERENCE

Last week, the United Athletic Conference announced its postseason honors, tabbing 12 Texans as First and Second Team All-Conference. Tarleton State's 12 All-Conference honors are the most in the UAC by a wide margin, with Abilene Christian and Austin Peay tied-second with seven honors, Southern Utah and West Georgia tied-fourth with six honors, Eastern Kentucky sixth with five honors, Central Arkansas and North Alabama tied-seventh with three honors, and Utah Tech ninth with two honors.

Tarleton State had four players make First Team All-Conference and eight make Second Team All-Conference. The Texans' 12 players to make First and Second Team All-Conference sets a program NCAA Division I record, surpassing the 10 they had honored in both 2024 and 2022. The four First Team All-Conference honors ties a program D1 record, first set in 2023.

Among Tarleton State's 12 All-Conference honors, seven are offensive players and five are defensive players. Two from each side of the ball made First Team. Tarleton State wide receiver Peyton Kramer and offensive lineman Hunter Smith made First Team on offense, and defensive lineman Angelo Anderson and defensive back Kasyus Kurns made First Team on defense. On Second Team from Tarleton State's offense are quarterback Victor Gabalis, running back Tre Page III, wide receiver Cody Jackson, offensive lineman Aidan Moe and offensive lineman Braden Smith. On Second Team from Tarleton State's defense are defensive lineman Brandon Tolvert, linebacker Yasir Holmes, and nickel Omar Emmons.

BEST IN TEXAS

LEADER OF THE STATE

Since the start of the 2018 season, Tarleton State has been one of the best scholarship football programs in the entire state of Texas. The Texans enter Saturday's game with a .753 winning percentage since the start of 2018, the highest mark across all of the NCAA Division I and II programs in the state. Tarleton State is the only Texas D1 or D2 institution with all seven winning seasons since 2018. They have 70 wins since the start of 2018, the second most wins in the state by an NCAA Division I or II programs. The list of the top scholarship programs in Texas over that span are as follows:

#	School	Conf.	Win Pct.
1.	Tarleton State	UAC	.753
2.	Angelo State	LSC	.701
3.	Texas	SEC	.692
4.	SMU	American	.670
5.	Texas A&M	SEC	.663
6.	Incarnate Word	SLC	.656
7.	Sam Houston	C-USA	.593
8.	TCU	Big 12	.586
9.	UTSA	C-USA	.578
10.	UTPB	LSC	.570

#	School	Conf.	Wins
1.	Texas	SEC	72
2.	Tarleton State	UAC	70
3.	SMU	American	67
4.	Texas A&M	SEC	65
5.	Incarnate Word	SLC	61
	Angelo State	LSC	61
7.	UTSA	American	59
8.	TCU	Big 12	58
9.	Texas Tech	Big 12	55
10.	Baylor	Big 12	54
	Sam Houston	C-USA	54

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Tarleton State is the only NCAA Division I program in Texas with seven straight winning seasons. Among head coach Todd Whitten's 15 completed seasons at Tarleton State, his team has finished .500 or better 14 times, the only losing record at 5-6 in 2016.

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WHITTEN THE WINNER

Tarleton State Football head coach Todd Whitten can be described easily with one word -- winner. Whitten is now 126-58 (.685) at Tarleton State across his 16 seasons, and in the regular season finale, he won his 150th game as a collegiate head coach.

Now at 12 wins this season, this marks the seventh time in program history the Texans have reached double-digit wins. Those seasons are 2025, 2024, 2019, 2018, 2009, 2001 and 1990. Whitten has been the head coach for five of those seven 10+ win seasons. The winningest head coach in team history has more wins than Nos. 2-3 have combined. Among all active college football head coaches, Whitten is tied-34th in career wins with 151.

Stats Perform announced that Whitten is one of 15 finalists for the 2025 Eddie Robinson Award, which is presented to the national coach of the year in Division I FCS college football.

CONFERENCE CHAMPS

With a chaotic overtime win against Austin Peay on Nov. 22, the Texans clinched a share of the United Athletic Conference championship, along with Abilene Christian. This is Tarleton State's third conference championship in the past eight seasons, and the Texans' sixth conference championship as an NCAA institution. The Texans won five during their NCAA Division II days in 2019, 2018, 2013, 2009 and 2001. This is Tarleton State Football's first conference championship in the NCAA Division I era, and Tarleton State Athletics' second regular season conference championship in the D1 era (Tennis in 2022).

Trailing for most of the game against Austin Peay with the conference championship on the line, Tarleton State clawed its way back in the fourth quarter and forced overtime off a 41-yard field goal from Corbin Poston in the closing seconds. Victor Gabalis found Cody Jackson for a 27-yard touchdown pass in overtime to take the lead. The Texans forced the Governors into an incomplete pass on their two-point conversion attempt that allowed Tarleton State to clinch the win and a share of the conference championship. Gabalis led Tarleton State's passing with 311 yards and three touchdowns. Tylan Hines led the Texans' rushing attack with 215 yards and a touchdown. Jackson and senior wide receiver Trevon West both recorded 100-yard games, with Jackson tallying 116 yards to go with a pair of touchdowns. West had 100 yards off six receptions and a touchdown.

"It's outstanding. Never giving up is who we are," head coach Todd Whitten said after the game. "Being conference champions is unbelievable. I'm so happy for our players and our fans. Our players never gave up and stayed the course. That's what you have to do to win championships. I'm really grateful for this football team right here."

RUNNING BACK ROOM

It's been a revolving door of quality backs this season for Tarleton State, most recently with Tylan Hines bursting on scene. Hines has back-to-back games rushing for 100+ yards, racing for 120 in the second round of the playoffs

and for 215 rushing yards and a touchdown on 19 carries (11.3 yards per rush) against Austin Peay on Nov. 22. Hines has played just four games this season, the last three and the season opener, where he suffered an injury that kept him out the next nine games. Now Hines is No. 1 on the depth chart, already with 415 rush yards and three touchdowns in his three games back from injury (138.3 rush yards and a touchdown per game).

Despite missing four games due to injury, redshirt freshman Tre Page III has had one of the best seasons by any running back in the country, not just freshmen. Stats Perform announced Page is on its list of 25 finalists for the 2025 Jerry Rice Award, which honors the national freshman player of the year in college football's Division I FCS subdivision. Page led the Texans in rushing in the regular season with 839 yards in eight games, averaging 104.9 rushing yards per game and 7.5 yards per carry. He also had seven rushing touchdowns, third most on the team. His 7.5 rush yards per carry average would have led the nation if qualified in games played (cutoff is 75 percent of team's games), along with a No. 10 rank in rush yards per game.

Tarleton State's other two main running backs on the year have been Caleb Lewis and James Paige, who are the two leading scorers on the ground for the Texans. Lewis has punched it in nine times this season, adding 465 yards on 127 carries. He scored a touchdown in his first six games played on the season. Paige, the quarterback turned running back, has eight rushing touchdowns on the year, to go with 520 yards on 96 carries (5.4 YPC). He had a special debut, totaling five touchdowns, four on the ground and one through the air, at Utah Tech on Oct. 11.

ICE IN THEIR VEINS

Tarleton State's kickers have come up clutch this season. Most recently, Brad Larson just went 3-for-3 from field goal range in Tarleton State's second round playoff game. In the regular season finale, Stephenville native Corbin Poston nailed a 41-yard field goal with three seconds remaining in regulation to tie the game, leading to a 45-44 Tarleton State overtime victory to clinch a UAC co-championship. Poston has made four 40+ yard field goals on the season.

Earlier this year, Larson had a Texan place-kicking debut for the ages at Army. He instantly became a Texan legend with his 2-for-2 mark in the overtimes, including a 37-yard field goal make in double overtime to upset the Black Knights at Michie Stadium in front of 23,032 fans. Altogether he was perfect on the day, making 3-of-3 field goal attempts and 3-of-3 extra points. He made a 30-yard field goal to give Tarleton State a 3-0 lead in the first quarter, then made a 28-yard field goal in the first overtime to give Tarleton State a 27-24 lead, and finally made a 37-yard field goal to win the game for Tarleton State in double overtime. Even more incredibly, Larson is a childhood cancer survivor. He's raised almost \$38,000 for Childhood Cancer Research (Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation) via kicking in high school and college.

NATIONAL LEADER

FEW WIN MORE THAN TARLETON STATE

Across the country, only 10 NCAA Division I teams (seven FBS, three FCS) have a better win percentage than Tarleton State since 2018 (Ohio State, Georgia, North Dakota State, Alabama, Notre Dame, James Madison, Oregon, Clemson, South Dakota State, and Montana State). So among some other elite programs, Tarleton State has a higher W% than the likes of Michigan, Michigan State, Iowa, USC, LSU, etc.

#	School	Conf.	Win Pct.
1.	Ohio State	Big 10	.885
2.	Georgia	SEC	.881
3.	North Dakota State	MVFC	.878
4.	Alabama	SEC	.853
5.	Notre Dame	Ind.	.829
6.	James Madison	SBC	.812
7.	Oregon	Big 10	.802
8.	Clemson	ACC	.796
9.	South Dakota State	MVFC	.791
10.	Montana State	MVFC	.786
11.	Tarleton State	UAC	.753
12.	Montana	Big Sky	.745
13.	Oklahoma	SEC	.738
14.	Dartmouth	Ivy	.729
15.	Boise State	MWC	.723

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Tarleton State has the second most points scored in a season in program history (573). If the Texans score 12 points on Saturday, they will match their most points in a single-season in program history (585 in 2018).

1

Victor Gabalis is close to being the top quarterback in program history in both touchdown passes and pass yards. Gabalis needs three pass touchdowns to tie Zed Woerner's 72 career pass touchdown record, and 181 pass yards to tie Zed Woerner's 8,243 career pass yards record.

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Angelo Anderson has five forced fumbles this season, the tied-second most in the country. His five FF are the most in a single-season by a Texan since EJ Speed had five in 2016.

2

No FCS team has averaged a +2.00 average turnover margin since 2012 (Richmond). The Texans are at +2.31. The FCS record for average turnover margin is +3.18 (Saint Peter's in 2001), with just one more higher than Tarleton State's current mark (+2.73 by Western Kentucky in 2000).

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LET'S GET PERSONAL

All of the Tarleton State players have great stories and unique things about them -- here are some of the most notable...

#0 Caden Holt (LB)

- Chose #0 to do something different. Wore #14 his whole life.
- Calls being in the portal after going the JUCO route the hardest obstacle he's had to overcome.
- Enjoys going back to his hometown's river and anything outdoors.
- Has had one dog, Stetson, for 3 years. German Shepherd Mix. Drove all the way to El Paso to get him (eight hours).

#1 Tylan Hines (RB)

- Why Tarleton State: "God brought me here and it's part of my journey. It feels good to represent the state of Texas. It feels good to go to a program where I trust them and they trust me."
- Chose #1 because he feels like he's the "Chosen One".
- Has played piano for eight years. Liked the way it sounded, so he started playing and then took up lessons.
- Aspires to buy horses and start a big family and become a business man after football

#1 Ja'Voni Melidor (DB)

- Chose #1 because he felt like that had the most meaning from his hard work and dedication to his journey.
- Was small growing up, so that drove his work ethic. He had to work harder than everybody else.
- Wants to start a youth football team and go into coaching. Wants to bring positivity to the world.
- Loves to make music, play piano, cut hair, fishing and read his Bible.
- Dedicating this season to his brother, who is battling cancer. Wants to serve as an inspiration to him.

#2 Cody Jackson (WR)

- Chose #2 because it's his favorite number. Has worn it since Peewee Football.
- Wants to stay in football after his playing days, likely coaching.
- Has multiple tattoos on his right arm and each one tells a different story.
- Had Lemierre's syndrome when he was at OU
- Enjoys painting, playing basketball

#2 Kasyus Kurns (DB)

- Looking to stay in Texas to raise his family. Has two young kids.
- #2 is the first jersey number he started out with playing football. #2 brings him great childhood memories.
- JUCO route "was hard." "Financially, there's some tough things you have to go through."
- Father of two kids
- Plays basketball, goes to park to play with sons

- Passionate about Jesus Christ, Bible
- Life after football: Give back to community, coach college and be a defensive specialist
- Loves to fish, read his Bible and play with his kids.

Does each activity whenever he can

#3 Daniel Greek (QB)

- Chose #3 because of his Christian Faith: The Father, The Son and The Holy Spirit
- Currently in talks with three companies in Dallas and Waco for insurance and wealth management. Interested in either of those fields after football.
- Loves to swim, hunt, fish, and spend time with family.
- Had to overcome serious sickness, injury, surgery and rehab during his career.

#3 Les Odumara (DB)

- Why Tarleton State: Came on his visit and felt like a big family. Had faith in the progress of the program.
 - Chose #3 because he's the third child in his family and has worn #3 all his life.
 - Tore his ACL against Austin Peay, "a hard situation."
- Calls his rehab the hardest thing he's had to overcome

#4 Omar Emmons (LB)

- Chose #4 because he's the baby of four kids and he was a former quarterback.
- Plans to be a businessman and start a family and give back to the community in Texas.
- Recently lost his brother, aunt, and one of his teammates. This season is dedicated to all of them.
- Enjoys video games, fishing, hunting and being around family. Enjoys life and having fun.
- Lives for God "Without Him, nothing is possible."

#4 Jaden Pete (QB,)

- Nickname is JP because dad was the original Pete
- Dad was big part of how he has developed as a football player and student
- Student, that mentality has changed from struggling to A's and B's
- Junior college, time at Tyler helped him mentally, sit and learn from head coach
- Life after Tarleton State: NFL, become a coach, inspired by dad

#6 Ty Rawls (LB)

- Was in the portal, but decided to come back. Came back to Tarleton State because he didn't want to leave home. "Good to be back."
 - Chose #6 because it's been his number since he was five years old.
 - Making it out of JUCO was the biggest thing he had to overcome. "A lot of people don't make it out of JUCO. JUCO taught me a lot and I'm glad I went that route."
 - Big-time basketball player. He's a "bucket getter."
- Calls himself the best shooter on the team.
- Big family, six siblings, he is second youngest, all three years apart

- First one thus far in college
- Life after football: NFL or XFL, coach or DB coach

#7 Bam Smith (LB)

- Tarleton State was the first school to contact him out of the portal, and fell in love with it instantly.
 - The nickname "Bam" comes from childhood. Was reckless as a child and it stuck with him since. Everybody where he's from has a nickname and is not called by their actual name.
 - Chose #17 because #7 was his favorite number. Was going to switch back, but he decided to stay because #17 was the last number his father saw him play in before he passed away.
 - Considers going to Juco his biggest obstacle
 - Enjoys reading and is passionate about psychology.
- Passionate about the human brain

#8 Branson Tita-Nwa (LB)

- Chose #8 because he first realized he wanted to play football when he was 8 years old and it's his favorite number.
- Tattoos on his left arm are religious or family related. Favorite Bible verse Proverbs 14:23 is tattooed on his arm. The word "Ambitious" is also tattooed on his left arm, because he feels like he is a humble person.
- Came out of a small JUCO program that has helped him stay hungry and overcome adversity.
- Enjoys fishing and bowling and watching movies.

#9 T'iar Young (WR)

- Chose Tarleton State because it felt like home and was very welcoming.
- Chose #9 for his brother. His birthday is September 9.
- Came from the projects and public housing. Lost a lot of his friends later in life and wanted to make a life better for himself.
- Enjoys cooking, favorite things include baked chicken and asparagus

#11 Victor Gabalis (QB)

- Parents are from Lithuania
- Oldest of five kids
- Loves to hike, fish, outdoors

#11 Yasir Holmes (LB)

- Came to Tarleton State to get exposure and had a great relationship with the coaching staff. Immediately trusted them.
- Chose #11 because #8 was taken. Wore #11 his sophomore year in high school.
- Meeting his graduation requirement was the biggest obstacle he had to overcome to get here.

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LET'S GET PERSONAL

#12 Devin Sterling (LB)

- Plans to be a field engineer. Already has a job lined up for a company back in Dallas.
- #12 has been his jersey number his whole life. His birthday is on the 12th.
- Big-time animal lover. Loves dogs and has dogs back home. Has a cat named Nella
- Grandad played in NFL, Ronnel Reginal Sterling, Grandpa is first NFL, Dad is second NFL, third is Trey NFL, offer from Tarleton

#13 Pius Njenge (DL)

- Chose Tarleton State for Coach Nix. Coach Nix told him he was "going to take him the right way."
- #13 is his lucky number. Always resonated with #13.
- Has gone through four defensive line coaches
- First person on both sides of his family born in USA
- Likes to read a lot. Enjoys Sci-Fi Fiction. Maze Runner, Harry Potter and Percy Jackson are his top 3 books. Enjoys anything by Stephen King.

#16 AJ Owens (LB)

- Chose #16 because #7 is the number of completion. "I plan to complete every play. That's how I play."
- Been doubted his whole life and uses that as motivation. Leaves everything up in God's hands.
- Loves making music, creating graphics and videos, traveling
- Can play all four linebacker positions and is a sideline to sideline type guy

#17 Mike Hodge (WR)

- Chose Tarleton State because they made it feel like family. Wants to help the Texans win the FCS National Championship.
- Picked #17 because of DaVante Adams
- Wanted to get out of his hometown city.
- Tattoos on his right arm are symbols for his brothers and his father.
- Enjoys exploring outside and trying new things

#19 Kyle Jackson (LB)

- Why Tarleton State: Likes the culture on defense and the campus
- Looks to pursue real-estate back in his hometown after football
- Tore his ACL and Miniscus in JUCO, missed out on a couple of opportunities.
- Enjoys hiking, drawing and has an interest in cars.
- One of his best hobbies is fixing up cars with his Dad

#19 Trevon West (WR)

- Chose Tarleton State because it's close to home.
- Chose #19 because it's the same number he had in high school, loves to cook, favorite thing to cook is fish.

#21 Jeremiah Postell (DB)

- Chose #21 because of Deion "Prime" Sanders
- Tattoos on the left arm symbolize freedom.
- Former walk-on who was put on scholarship following Tarleton State's Spring Game earlier this year.
- Hobbies include drawing and cutting hair
- Plans to do work in AI following football

#23 Mike Hookfin (DB)

- Chose Tarleton State because he aspired to play Division I Football.
- Chose #23 for Michael Jordan
- Looks to get into coaching after football

#26 Brandon Tolvert (DL)

- Nickname Bino comes from family, dad was rapper they called Mino, been called that since he was 11 or 12
- Summer of 2024, both grandmothers passed away, dedicates every season to them, they were like mothers to him
- Family business was crop business, passions changed to sports after being at Tarleton State, wants to be coach or GM working in sports
- 2022 season was a turning point, SQ allowed him to improve focus on school, mental health, and work on himself, and look at past leaders at Tarleton

#27 Stephen Woods Jr. (LB)

- Chose Tarleton State because it felt like home and was closer to home.
- Has the first Bible verse he memorized tattooed on his body: Almany 31:6. Reminds him that God is always with him and that he can fight through any adversity
- Has aspirations to become a coach after football
- Tore hamstring during the 2023 season. Took a toll on him, but helped him grow stronger in his Christian faith.
- Has a passion for fashion, has his own clothing brand. Designs anything from hats, t-shirts, dress clothes, etc.

#28 Bones Marks (DB)

- All his tattoos mean something. The ones on his left hand symbolize that he's chosen. One on his left arm is for his grandma, as she was a primary caretaker for him since his father wasn't around. Has another tattoo for his other grandmother who passed away when he was eight years old. Tattoos on his right arm symbolize "only the strong survive" and show his daughter. When he's going through a tough time, he looks at his tattoos and gives him a lift.
- Became a father a year ago, has a daughter.
- Enjoys networking and enjoys learning about people's different walks of life. Uses every person's experience as a way to provide guidance for his life.

#31 Deaubry Hood (DB)

- Chose Tarleton State because he wanted to come back to Texas and it's close to home.
- Assigned #31, but it's growing on him. "I think I'll make some big plays wearing this number."
- Finance major and looks to do something with that after football, loves to fish and cook

#35 Kam Robinson (DB)

- Came to Tarleton State because the coaches showed him love and treated him like family. Ready to "play ball for his community."
- Was assigned #35, but he's going to embrace it. "Kevin Durant wore 35, so why not."
- Came from JUCO. "It's all about working." Was dedicated to the work it took to get there. "When you make it out of there, the sky is the limit."
- Plays all the football video games

#44 Danny Joiner (TE)

- Has John 4:4 tattooed on his arm because it resonates with him most as a man. "Be who God created you to be."
- Loves to fish and hang out with family.

#44 Vililami Wolfram (DL)

- Chose #44 because when he chose it, it just felt right.
- Tattoos on right arm symbolize his culture, Ngatu. It also honors his mom and symbolizes protection.
- Picked up cooking since he started at Tarleton State. Former teammate, Tuli Teuhema, taught him how to cook and he found a passion for it in Stephenville.
- After graduated, planned to do Air Force then COVID hit, was 6-2 180 when graduated HS, put on two inches and 100 pounds
- Little cousin planned to go to JC, good place since he had been out the game, planned to just help his cousin move in, coach in the doorway, "Golly what school you go to?" DLine coach needed a DE, really quick, moved in that Tuesday, moved in a matter of days
- Air Force, mom was forcing him to do something with his life, was partying too much
- Related to NFL players Tipa Galeai and Halapoulivaati Vaitai

#47 Charlie Robinson (TE)

- Grew up hunting and fishing and pursued Tarleton State because of the great agriculture program.
- Has been married for a year, got married June 2024.
- Picked #47 because #7 was his high school number and #47 is a fullback number. Considers himself to have a "fullback build."
- Loves everything outdoors: hunting, fishing, wakeboarding
- Was a great artist in high school

NOTES

LET'S GET PERSONAL

#52 Robert Rios (OL)

- Tarleton State was the first school to offer him out of high school. He felt loyalty to the Texans.
- Chose 52 because of Ray Lewis. Loves the way he plays football and motivates people.
- Lost his brother at 18 and wears a necklace every day, even on gamedays under his uniform, as a daily reminder to live the fullest each day.
- Loves to build Lego sets. Favorite set is Star Wars
- Family has been big part of his passion, especially mom, work hard and grind and never give up
- When he returned his touchdown in 2023, took ball to his mom right away
- Why he picked Tarleton State and stayed: easy for family to come to games, close to home, constant uprising and direction of the program
- Life after football: Sports broadcaster, life without sports is boring

#59 Kurt Hatch (OL)

- Plans to go back home to Weatherford after football and get a house.
- Wants to become a fireman or work in a management type field
- Has been married for over a year. Married his high school sweetheart.
- Enjoys golfing, hanging out with his wife and family
- Chose #59 because his grandpa wore #59. Wore #59 in his grandpa's honor. He passed away about a year ago.

#60 Hunter Smith (OL)

- Got the nickname Big Country in his first month on the team from Coach Carey, stuck ever since
- Why Tarleton: Really likes Stephenville, likes smaller towns, coaching staff

#68 Jordan Love (OL)

- Chose Tarleton State because of the opportunity to play immediately out of the transfer portal.
- Didn't care what number he got, so he chose "the nastiest one"
- Aspires to start his own IT business after football
- Loves to golf and shoot his guns

#69 Braden Smith (OL)

- Chose Tarleton State because it was close to home and had a great coaching staff
- Big duck hunter

#73 Aidan Moe (OL)

- Chose Tarleton State for the family atmosphere. Coach Carey was the final reason he signed.
- #73 has been his jersey number his whole life. His dad wore it when he played football. "My dad is the reason I played football."
- Coming back from an injury last season
- Enjoys playing video games. Has a "soft spot" for Fortnite

#74/43 Dawson Rudd (OL)

- Tarleton State felt like where he grew up. It felt like the best fit for him as a person.
- Picked #74 because #75 was taken. His mentor his freshman year wore #74, so he chose it to honor him. Mentor was Garrett Greenfield (former Tampa Bay Buccaneers player).
- Big outdoors guy. Loves hunting and fishing
- Father runs a fishing guide service in Alaska
- Cousin Levi Rudd is a professional rodeo contestant on the PRCA Tour

#75 Alex Todt (OL)

- Chose Tarleton State because he "wanted to win some football games." Won a combined seven games in his last three years.
- He is 13 hours from home, the farthest distance he has been away from home.
- Loves to cook, makes really good chicken alfredo, buffalo chicken, and chipotle bowls

#77 Jack Gallagher (OL)

- Why Tarleton State: A lot like home. Loves how big it's grown.
- Plans to work in Construction Management after college in Austin, Texas. Already has a job with Flintco Construction in Austin.
- Has two dogs: Max (Pit Bull) and Pig (Kennel Dog). He named Max, his girlfriend named Pig.
- Enjoys hanging out with his girlfriend and enjoys being outside.

#78 Brodrick Stewart (DL)

- Picked #78 because his dad wore it when he played and has worn it since playing Pee Wee.
- Had to overcome an ankle injury from last year. Excited to bounce back this season.
- Enjoys video games
- Plans to pursue a career in the medical field after football

#84 Corbin Poston (K)

- Chose Tarleton State because both of his parents went to school here and his dad played football here. Stephenville is home.
- Chose #84 because he couldn't get #9
- Went from a walk-on to a starter. Describes the moment he got put on scholarship as "relief and great," always had aspirations to be put on scholarship. Didn't have to worry about his mom paying for school.
- Loves to hunt, fish and take his family's boat out.

#88 Dawson Hearne (TE)

- Legendary Texan Ronnie Hearne is his grandpa – Dawson goes back and works on Ronnie's farm
- Can solve a Rubik's cube in a minute
- Wants to go to med school, pursuing because his family wants him to, tore his ACL and had the best surgeon, made him want to get into it
- Ideally wants to be a surgeon
- Likes to fish, likes to go back to Cisco

#92 Tramaine Chism (DL)

- Plans to go into facility management after football. Wants to build a training camp facility for little kids back home. Seeing the way he came up and how his mentors brought him up is the reason he is passionate about it.
- Looked up to Reggie White and was given No. 92 in JUCO. He stuck with it ever since.
- Enjoys fishing, hunting and anything outdoors.
- Considers the JUCO grind the biggest obstacle he had to overcome.
- Interest sparked in football from growing up in Tuscaloosa and his brother, Jahi, played at Alabama as a running back.
- First baseman in baseball. Originally was a baseball player before switching to football full-time, inspired by his brother.
- He considers himself country, hobbies include fishing, hunting and anything outdoors.
- Big-time video gamer and big-time streamer
- College Football 25 is his favorite game.
- Coach Nix motivated him to come and Tarleton felt like a family feel.

LAST TIME OUT

TARLETON STATE TEAM

50+ Points	61 vs. North Alabama, 11-15-25
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70+ Points	84 vs. OPSU, 10-24-15
Shut a team out at home	vs. North Alabama, 11-15-25 (61-0)
Held a team below 10 pts at home	vs. North Alabama, 11-15-25 (61-0)
Shut out Top-25 opponent at home	vs. #24 APU, 11-17-18 (58-0)
Shut a team out on the road	at Portland State, 8-23-25 (42-0)
Held a team below 10 pts on road	at Eastern Kentucky, 10-25-25 (31-7)
Overtime game	vs. Austin Peay, 11-22-25 (OT, W 45-44)
300+ Yards Rushing	301 at Portland State, 8-23-25 (42-0)
400+ Yards Rushing	402 vs. WNMU, 11-10-18
Less than 100 Yards Rushing	93 at #24 Abilene Christian, 11-1-25
Less than 25 Yards Rushing	22 vs. ENMU, 10-14-17
300+ Yards Passing	313 vs. Austin Peay, 11-22-25
400+ Yards Passing	404 vs. Chattanooga, 9-20-25
Less than 100 Yards Passing	50 at North Alabama, 9-21-24
500+ Yards Total Offense	549 vs. Austin Peay, 11-22-25
600+ Yards Total Offense	682 at William Jewell, 11-9-19
Less than 200 Yards Total Offense	181 at Baylor, 8-31-24
Beat a Top 25 team at home	#23 West Georgia, 10-18-25 (45-10)
Beat a Top 20 team at home	#20 TAMUC, 10-19-19 (35-21)
Beat a Top 15 team at home	#15 TAMUC, 11-24-18 (34-28)
Beat a Top 10 team at home	#4 WTAMU, 10-12-13 (31-27)
Beat a Top 5 team at home	#4 WTAMU, 10-12-13 (31-27)
Beat a Top 25 team on the road	#18 Central Arkansas, 10-28-23 (25-23)
Beat a Top 20 team on the road	#18 Central Arkansas, 10-28-23 (25-23)
Beat a Top 15 team on the road	#10 MSU, 10-27-18 (35-34)
Beat a Top 10 team on the road	#10 MSU, 10-27-18 (35-34)
Beat a Top 5 team on the road	#3 Chadron, 11-17-01
Scored Multiple Defensive TDs	2 INT Rtn TD vs. Houston Christian, 11-19-22

TARLETON STATE INDIVIDUAL RUSHING

200+ Yards Rushing	215, Tylan Hines vs. Austin Peay, 11-22-25
Two Players with 100+ Yards Rushing	155 by Kayvon Britten, 109 by Derrel Kelley III at Houston Christian, 9-7-24
Had 30+ Rushing Attempts	30, James Paige at Utah Tech, 10-11-25
Had 35+ Rushing Attempts	37, Kayvon Britten at Southern Utah, 10-5-24
Had 40+ Rushing Attempts	40, Ricky Bush vs. LCU, 1980
3+ Rushing TDs	4, James Paige at Utah Tech, 10-11-25
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TARLETON STATE INDIVIDUAL PASSING

300+ Yards Passing	311, Victor Gabalis vs. Austin Peay, 11-22-25
400+ Yards Passing	406, Beau Allen at Southern Utah, 10-8-22
Had 30+ Completions	37, Ben Holmes vs. #23 ASU, 10-5-19
Had 40+ Attempts	44, Victor Gabalis vs. Austin Peay, 11-22-25
Had 50+ Attempts	53, Zed Woerner vs. ENMU, 10-14-17
Had 60+ Attempts	60, Dan Garrett vs. TAMUK, 1970
Had 3+ TD Passes	3, Victor Gabalis vs. North Dakota, 12-6-25
Had 4+ TD Passes	4, Victor Gabalis vs. North Alabama, 11-15-25
Had 5+ TD Passes	5, Victor Gabalis vs. Mississippi Valley State, 9-6-25

TARLETON STATE INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING

Caught 10+ Passes	10, Cody Jackson vs. Austin Peay, 11-22-25
100+ Yards Receiving	133, Marquis Willis vs. North Dakota, 12-6-25
200+ Yards Receiving	219, Keylan Johnson vs. North Alabama, 9-9-23
Two Players with 100+ Yards Receiving	116, Cody Jackson, and 100, Trevon West, vs. Austin Peay, 11-22-25
Had 3+ TD Catches	3, Peyton Kramer vs. Chattanooga, 9-20-25
Had 4+ TD Catches	4, Keylan Johnson vs. North Alabama, 9-9-23

TARLETON STATE INDIVIDUAL DEFENSE

Had 15+ Tackles	15, Donta Stuart at #4 South Dakota, 12-7-24
Had 2+ INT	2, Kasyus Kurns at Army, 8-29-25
Had 3+ INT	3, Charles Moore at McMurry, 10-25-14
INT Rtn for a TD	57 yards, Ty Rawls vs. Chattanooga, 9-20-25
Fumble Rtn for a TD	0 yards, AJ Owens at Central Arkansas, 9-13-25
Had 5+ Tackles for Loss	5, Ronnell Wilson vs. Mississippi College, 3-6-21
Had 3+ Sacks	3, Jordan Wells & Erick Willis at William Jewell, 11-9-19
Blocked a Punt	Courtland Stephens vs. #23 West Georgia, 10-18-25
Blocked Punt Recovery for TD	Kason Fornes at MSU, 9-26-15
Blocked a FG	Deonte Bryant vs. #14 Abilene Christian, 11-16-24
Blocked FG Recovery for TD	Benjie Franklin vs. East Central, 4-1-21
Blocked a PAT	Benjie Franklin vs. Mississippi College, 3-6-21
Recorded a Safety	A.J. Owens vs. North Alabama, 11-15-25

TARLETON STATE INDIVIDUAL MISC.

100+ KO Return yards	107, Deangelo Rosemond vs. Southern Utah, 10-7-23
100+ Punt Return yards	103, Bubba Tandy vs. McMurry, 10-24-14
KR for a TD	100 yards, Dray Roberson vs. New Mexico Highlands, 9-25-21
PR for a TD	59 yards, Kaylon Horton vs. Northeastern State, 3-27-21
Punted the Ball 60+ Yards	70, Adrian Guzman at Austin Peay, 10-26-24
Punted the Ball 70+ Yards	70, Adrian Guzman at Austin Peay, 10-26-24
Punted the Ball 80+ Yards	84, Ron Reid vs. #24 APU, 11-17-18
Made a 40+ Yard FG	41, Corbin Poston vs. Austin Peay, 11-22-25
Made a 50+ Yard FG	50, Corbin Poston vs. Chattanooga, 9-20-25
Made 4+ FG	4, Adrian Guzman at #18 Central Arkansas, 10-28-23
Rtn KR & PR for TD in same game	Prince Robinson vs. WNMU, 11-10-18

OPPONENT TEAM

50+ Points	59 at TCU, 9-10-22 (L, 17-59)
60+ Points	63 vs. TAMUC, 10-3-15 (L, 0-63)
70+ Points	70, vs. ACU, 10-27-07 (W, 70-63)
Shutout TSU in Stephenville	vs. TAMUC, 10-3-15 (L, 0-63)
Shutout TSU on the road	at WTAMU, 11-8-08 (L, 0-51)
300+ Yards Rushing	304 vs. Sam Houston, 10-29-22 (L, 21-40)
Negative Rushing Yards	(21) vs. Houston Christian, 11-19-22
Less than 100 Yards Rushing	34 vs. North Alabama, 11-15-25
50+ Rushing Attempts	66 at Army, 8-29-25
300+ Passing Yards	308 vs. Austin Peay, 11-22-25
400+ Passing Yards	450 at TCU, 9-10-22
Less than 100 Yards Passing	31 vs. Eastern Kentucky, 11-2-24
50+ Passing Attempts	55 vs. #14 Abilene Christian, 11-16-24
60+ Passing Attempts	64 vs. North Alabama, 9-9-23
Less than 10 Passing Attempts	7 vs. Mississippi College, 3-6-21
500+ Yards Total Offense	570 vs. Austin Peay, 11-22-25
600+ Yards Total Offense	630 at TCU, 9-10-22
Less than 200 Yards Total Offense	150 vs. North Alabama, 11-15-25
Less than 100 Yards Total Offense	84 vs. Doane, 9-14-19

OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL RUSHING

200+ Yards Rushing	217, Targhee Lambson at Southern Utah, 10-5-24
Two Players with 100+ Yards Rushing	189, Joshua Dye, and 101, Will Burns, vs. Southern Utah, 10-4-25
3+ Rushing TDs	4, Joshua Dye vs. Southern Utah, 10-4-25

OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL PASSING

300+ Yards Passing	391, Maverick Mclvor vs. #14 Abilene Christian, 11-16-24
400+ Yards Passing	450, Koy Detmer at TAMUK, 10-26-19
Had 3+ TD Passes	4, Chris Parson vs. Austin Peay, 11-22-25
Had 4+ TD Passes	4, Chris Parson vs. Austin Peay, 11-22-25
Had 5+ TD Passes	5, Max Duggan at TCU, 9-10-22

OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL RECEIVING

Caught 10+ Passes	11, Taj Hughes vs. Drake, 11-30-24
100+ Yards Receiving	168, Blayne Taylor vs. #14 Abilene Christian, 11-16-24
200+ Yards Receiving	201, Brittan Golden vs. WTAMU, 11-7-09
Two Players with 100+ Yards Receiving	117, Tristan Gollightly, and 115, Kobe Clark vs. Abilene Christian, 11-5-22
Had 3+ TD Catches	3, Kamari Maxwell vs. Austin Peay, 11-22-25
No player had multiple receptions	vs. Eastern Kentucky, 11-2-24

OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL DEFENSE

Had 15+ Tackles	15, Logan Blake at Eastern Kentucky, 10-14-23
Had 2+ INT	2, Malik Dunlap at Texas Tech, 9-16-23
INT Rtn for a TD	35 yards, Keaton Thomas at Baylor, 8-31-24
Fumble Rtn for a TD	23 yds, Josh Lopez vs. Southern Utah, 10-7-23
Had 5+ Tackles for Loss	6.5, David Walker at #18 Central Arkansas, 10-28-23
Had 3+ Sacks	4, A. Kuyinu vs. TAMUK, 10-22-16
Blocked a Punt	Jemal Williams vs. #20 TAMUC, 10-19-19
Blocked a FG	Joseph Wallace vs. #1 Sam Houston, 10-30-21
Blocked a PAT	Dagen Dunham vs. ASU, 10-5-19
Recorded a Safety	Fred Lawrence vs. ASU, 9-17-16

OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL MISC.

100+ KO Return yards	107, Landon Freeman vs. Southern Utah, 10-7-23
100+ Punt Return yards	141, Patrick Weaver at SWOSU, 9-30-06
KR for a TD	91 yards, Cam Thomas at McNeese, 9-2-23
PR for a TD	84 yards, Xavier Gipson at Stephen F. Austin, 10-15-22
Punted the Ball 60+ Yards	71, Luke Silvernale vs. North Dakota, 12-6-25
Punted the Ball 70+ Yards	71, Luke Silvernale vs. North Dakota, 12-6-25
Made a 40+ Yard FG	47, Brandon Perez at #24 Abilene Christian, 11-1-25
Made a 50+ Yard FG	52, Simon Zeidan vs. #23 West Georgia, 10-18-25
Made 4+ FG	4, Seth Morgan vs. Sam Houston, 10-29-22
Missed 3+ FG	3, Payton Reyes vs. MSU, 11-2-19

HEAD COACH



Todd Whitten is the all-time winningest head coach in Tarleton State football history, now entering his 16th season as the leader of the Texans in 2025. This marks his 21st season as an NCAA head coach (other five seasons were at Sam Houston) and his 38th season of coaching football at any level.

The Texans just posted a historic campaign in 2024, going 10-4 overall and 6-2 in United Athletic Conference play, winning their FCS Playoffs debut against Drake before dropping a tight contest at No. 4 South Dakota in Vermillion in the second round. It was the longest regular season in program history both in number of games played and number of days on the calendar, with Tarleton State opening on Week 0 (a 26-23 win over McNeese on ESPN2) on Aug. 23, and finishing with a 42-31 loss at South Dakota on Dec. 7. On Nov. 30, 13-seed Tarleton hosted Drake in the first round of the FCS Playoffs, winning 43-29 at Memorial Stadium. The Texans became the fifth team in the history of the FCS Playoffs (Division I-AA Playoffs), which goes back 46 years, to win their first playoff game at the FCS level in their first year eligible after reclassifying from NCAA Division II. Two of those five teams comprised of the four-team playoff field in that initial round of the FCS Playoffs – Florida A&M and UMass, in 1978. The other two programs are currently in the FBS: Troy in 1993 and UCF in 1990. The Texans earned the No. 13 seed in FCS Playoffs among the 24-team field across 129 FCS programs in just their first year of championship eligibility. They had become just the first team fresh off of reclassification to make the playoffs since 2009 (South Dakota State). Tarleton State was named No. 12 in the final AFCA FCS Coaches Poll of the season, and No. 13 in the final Stats Perform FCS Top 25 Poll of the season. Tarleton State was ranked in both polls every single week of the 2024 campaign, from the preseason through the postseason. The Texans were just one of 11 teams nationwide to never leave the polls, joined by Idaho, Illinois State, Montana, Montana State, North Dakota State, South Dakota, South Dakota State, UC Davis, UIW and Villanova. Tarleton State started 2024 7-1, with a six-game winning streak, their best start and their longest winning streak in the D1 era. The Texans finished second in the UAC. Across the board, Tarleton was ranked No. 22 in total offense and they forced the tied-third most turnovers. Tarleton had both the leading receiver (Darius Cooper at 1,450 yards) and the leading rusher (Kayvon Britten at 1,982) across all of the FCS.

Whitten led Tarleton State through their reclassification period to NCAA Division I after ending Tarleton's Division II era with back-to-back undefeated regular season Lone Star Conference Championships. In the D1 era across five seasons, Whitten has guided the Texans to winning seasons each year, going 10-4 in 2024, 8-3 in 2023, 6-5 in 2022, 6-5 in 2021 and 5-3 in 2020. Tarleton State has posted eight straight regular seasons with winning records, and 14 of the last 15 seasons under Whitten the team has finished .500 or better. He boasts an NCAA coaching record of 139-85 (.621), including a record at Tarleton of 114-57 (.667), which gives him the most total wins in school history. He owns a 66-23 (.742) home record, taking the Texans to a 21-9 (.700) mark at Memorial Stadium at the D1 level. Tarleton's reclassification period was special nationwide, as the Texans posted the third highest winning percentage in a reclassification period since 2004 at .610 (.25-16). Among all Texas D1 and D2 programs since 2018, the Texans own the best winning percentage in the state at .725 (.58-22).

In 2023, the Texans went 8-3 overall, 4-2 in conference play. The Texans finished tied-second in the United Athletic Conference, despite being picked to finish sixth in the 2023 Preseason UAC Coaches Poll, and would have likely received an FCS playoff at-large bid, if eligible. Whitten's success helped earn him UAC Coach of the Year honors and become one of 20 finalists for the Eddie Robinson Award, which recognizes the national coach of the year in Division I FCS. A major milestone in Whitten's career came on Sept. 30 when the Texans defeated Southeastern Louisiana for his 100th win as Tarleton State's head coach. This made him the 12th coach among current D1 schools in Texas to reach 100 wins with one program. Four weeks later, Whitten led the Texans to a major team accomplishment. Their win over Central Arkansas made them only the third football program since 2004 to post a winning season in each year of their four-year reclassification, joining North Dakota State and South Dakota State. After starting the season 4-3, the Texans finished strong on a four-game winning streak. The two road wins came by a combined margin of three points, while the two at home were each won by 42 points. Perhaps the most entertaining of the bunch was the season finale against Abilene Christian, where Whitten helped engineer a 16-point fourth quarter comeback. This was the team's largest comeback win in the Division I era, which put a bow on their four years being non-postseason eligible. Tarleton had it going across all three phases in 2023, ranked first in the conference in yards per play (6.4, 11th most nationally), first in rush yards per game (201.7, 12th nationally), first in rush touchdowns (25, 16th nationally), second in points per game (33.3, 13th nationally), second in yards per game (430.5, 14th nationally) and second in yards per rush (5.2, 17th nationally). Defensively, the Texans had the most defensive touchdowns in the conference (four, tied-fourth nationally), were first in fumbles recovered (11, tied-ninth nationally), first in yards per play (4.8, 17th nationally), first in sacks (26, tied-28th nationally), tied-third in takeaways (18, tied-36th nationally), tied-third in tackles for loss (65, tied-39th nationally), and fourth in scoring offense (24.5 points per game, tied-46th nationally). On special teams, Tarleton was first in kickoff return (24.3 yards per return, eighth nationally) and second in punt return (18.2 yards per return, fourth nationally).

In 2022, the Texans averaged their most yards per game at the D1 level at 436.8, the best mark in the Western Athletic Conference. They scored 40+ points four times in five games, topping at 49 in the season finale in Tarleton State's 42-point victory against Houston Christian in Stephenville. In that game, Tarleton's lead running back Derrel Kelley III raced for 239 yards and two touchdowns, reaching the 1,000-yard milestone on the ground at the same time the Texans lead receiver Darius Cooper hit 1,000 yards as well. The Texans averaged the best rushing attack in the WAC at 174.6 yards per game and threw for the second most total passing yards at 2,883.

Whitten guided Tarleton's first NCAA Division I campaign in the unprecedented spring football season of 2021. The Texans went 5-3 in their first season at the FCS level and earned their first win over a Division I program against FBS Independent New Mexico State on Feb. 21. Tarleton's first Division I football team ran for 178.9 yards, threw for 231.9 yards and scored 31.9 points per game. Tarleton's win against Northeastern State (OK) on March 27 was a milestone moment for Whitten and the program. Whitten became Tarleton's all-time leader in games coached and secured the program's 500th all-time victory.

Whitten ended Tarleton's Division II era with back-to-back undefeated regular season Lone Star Conference Championships. In 2019, Whitten guided the Texans to their second consecutive undefeated regular season and Lone Star Conference Championship to earn his fifth LSC Coach of the Year award. On Sept. 29, Tarleton blasted UT Permian Basin in Odessa

49-7 to deliver Whitten's 72nd career coaching win to break W.J. Wisdom's school record of 71 that had stood tall since 1935. Tarleton boasted the fourth-best scoring offense in the country (45.0 PPG) and had 10 different players named to five different All-America teams, including WR Zimari Manning who made a clean sweep with five, first-team All-America honors. Whitten's Texans set a new program standard by moving up to the No. 3 ranking in the country by the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA). The Texans finished the season ranked No. 9 in the country.

In just his third season back with the Texans (2018), Whitten led the biggest turnaround in the country and guided the Texans to their best season in program history. The Texans posted the first of two straight undefeated regular seasons en route to the first outright Lone Star Conference title in program history. Tarleton had regular season road wins at No. 7 Texas A&M-Commerce – the defending National Champions – and No. 10 Midwestern State to claim the conference title. The Texans outscored opponents 45-16 per game and the Texans set numerous program records for total points (585), rushing yards (4,301) and total yards (6,709) to have a top-five offense in the country. Tarleton earned the No. 2 seed in the NCAA Division II football playoffs – the highest seed in program history. The Texans hosted the first two rounds of the NCAA playoffs, coming away with victories over No. 24 Azusa Pacific (58-0) and a rematch with No. 15 Texas A&M-Commerce (34-28). It was the first time in school history the Texans won 12 games in a season and advanced to the NCAA regional finals. Tarleton ended the season with the highest ranking in program history, finishing ranked No. 5 in the AFCA poll. Tarleton boasted a school-record 24 all-conference players that season, including six All-Americans.

In just his final two seasons in NCAA Division II and the Lone Star Conference, Whitten's Texans were not without their fair share of league, region and national accolades. Tarleton had 45 all-LSC selections in those two seasons, including the 2019 LSC Offensive Player of the Year (QB Ben Holmes), 2019 LSC Receiver of the Year (WR Zimari Manning), 2019 LSC Defensive Player of the Year (DE B.J. Jefferson), 2019 LSC Defensive Lineman of the Year (DT Jordan Wells), 2018 LSC Offensive Lineman of the Year (OT Deon Sheppard) and back-to-back LSC Offensive Backs of the Year (RBs Xavier Turner and Daniel McCants) and LSC Defensive Backs of the Year (CBs Devin Hafford and Prince Robinson). Tarleton had 16 All-Americans in those two seasons, all of which earned regional acclaim in addition to the national. In 2019, Zimari Manning had the highest finish by a WR in the Harlon Hill voting since 1991 by finishing third in the race for the best player in NCAA Division II.

Whitten made his return to the Tarleton on Dec. 3, 2015, and was tasked with turning around the program. This marked the 28th head coaching change in the history of Tarleton football, as Whitten became one of 24 different men to lead the Texans. He joined legendary coach W.J. Wisdom as one of two coaches with three different tenures as Tarleton's head football coach.

"I'm coming home," said Whitten at the time of his hiring. "I'm very excited to be back at Tarleton. This is a very special place and it's an incredible job. I'm very thankful to be chosen."

He made an immediate impact in his return by resurrecting a 3-7 season from the year before and led Tarleton into the final two games of the season with a chance to win the Lone Star Conference championship in his first season back. He followed up in 2017 by leading Tarleton to its first winning regular season since 2013 and the fifth bowl game invitation in program history.

During his first two stints at Tarleton, Whitten was no stranger to awards and championships.

Before taking over the program in 1996 for one season, Tarleton had a record of 4-16-1 since joining the NCAA in 1994. Whitten earned things around following a 1-10 season in 1995 by leading the Texans to a 5-5 record in his first season, which was enough to garner him the LSC Coach of the Year award for that season.

After a three-year hiatus as the offense coordinator for Wyoming and Sam Houston State, Whitten made his return to Stephenville to build Tarleton into a national powerhouse. Whitten came back in 2000 and turned Tarleton around once again with a 6-5 record to open the new century.

In the second season of his return stint, Whitten's Texans entered uncharted territory with a 10-3 mark to claim the school's first Lone Star Conference championship and division championship en route to their first trip to the NCAA playoffs. He would go on to boast a record of 17-6 over the next two seasons, each of which garnered his third and fourth LSC Coach of the Year awards, and Tarleton returned to the NCAA playoffs in 2003.

Before becoming a coach, Whitten was a star athlete at Dallas Kimball High School and Stephen F. Austin University – where he was inducted into the school's Hall of Fame in 2001. He was a three-year starter at quarterback and a three-year starter in the outfield during baseball season. He was drafted in the 17th round of the 1983 Major League Baseball Draft by Philadelphia out of Kimball High School, but declined to make his way to Stephen F. Austin. After his dual-sport career with the Lumberjacks, Whitten signed a free agent contract to play quarterback for the New England Patriots in 1987.

After playing for the Patriots in 1987, Whitten traded the helmet for the headset as he went back to school as a graduate assistant coach at Texas Tech to begin his coaching career. He earned his first full-time coaching job at New Mexico State in 1990, where he spent four seasons before heading to El Paso, where he spent two seasons at UTEP.

Whitten left UTEP for his first head coaching position at Tarleton in 1996 before leaving for Wyoming the following year.

After his second stint at Tarleton from 2000-04, Whitten returned to Sam Houston for his first Division I head coaching opportunity. He spent five seasons with the Bearkats. From there, he spent two seasons at Lamar, one year at Arlington Heights High School, and the last three years at UTEP before coming back to Tarleton in December 2015.

Whitten earned a bachelor's degree in education from Stephen F. Austin in 1987 and a master's degree in sports administration from Texas Tech in 1990. He resides in Stephenville with his wife, Dana. The couple has three sons – Brady, Blaze, and Tate – and a daughter, Maddie.

COACH RECORDS

AS A JUNIOR COLLEGE

COACH (YEARS)	W-L-T	PCT.
A.B. Hays (1913-20)	25-15-4	.613
W.J. Wisdom (1920-22, 24-28, 30-35)	71-35-15	.648
Davis R. Pena (1923)	3-5-0	.375
W.A. Hall (1929)	1-6-2	.222
H.J. "Choc" Sanders (1936-37)	9-7-2	.555
Ear Rudder (1938-40)	18-10-1	.637
T.G. Fields (1941)	5-2-2	.667
Jimmie Marshall (1944)	1-8-0	.111
Marshall Hughes (1945)	2-5-1	.312
C.M. "Dutch" Flory (1946-48)	7-22-0	.241
Willie Zapalac (1949-50)	11-9-0	.550
H.A. "Sandy" Sanford (1951-59)	33-46-3	.420
Johnny Dunn (1960)	5-4-0	.555
ALL-TIME JUNIOR COLLEGE RECORD	191-174-30	.521

AS A SENIOR COLLEGE

COACH (YEARS)	W-L-T	PCT.
Johnny Dunn (1961-66)	21-34-0	.382
Hobart Lytal (1967-69)	4-24-0	.143
Lloyd Taylor (1970-72)	5-24-0^	.172
Buddy Fornes (1973-82)	39-59-1	.399
Bobby Fox (1983-84)	8-12-0	.400
Bill Pringle (1985-87)	21-11-1	.652
Hal McAfee (1988-92)	36-18-0	.667
Ronnie Roemisch (1993-95)	9-21-1	.306
TODD WHITTEN (1996, 2000-04, 2016-NOW)	126-58-0	.685
Craig Wederquist (1997-99)	12-21-0	.364
Sam McElroy (2005-09)	40-15-0	.727
Cary Fowler (2010-15)	30-32-0	.484
ALL-TIME SENIOR COLLEGE RECORD	351-328-3	.517
OVERALL RECORD	542-502-33	.519

TOP-10 WINNINGEST COACHES (PCT.)

Rk.	COACH (YEARS)	W-L-T	PCT.
1.	Sam McElroy (2005-09)	40-15-0	.727
2.	TODD WHITTEN (1996, 2000-04, 2016-NOW)	126-58-0	.685
3.	Hal McAfee (1988-92)	36-18-0	.667
	T.G. Fields (1941)	5-2-2	.667
5.	Bill Pringle (1985-87)	21-11-1	.652
6.	W.J. Wisdom (1920-22, 24-28, 30-35)	71-35-15	.648
7.	Earl Rudder (1938-40)	18-10-1	.637
8.	A.B. Hays (1913-20)	25-15-4	.613
9.	H.J. "Choc" Sanders (1936-37)	9-7-2	.555
10.	Willie Zapalac (1949-50)	11-9-0	.550

TOP-10 WINNINGEST COACHES (WINS)

Rk.	COACH (YEARS)	W-L-T	PCT.
1.	TODD WHITTEN (1996, 2000-04, 2016-NOW)	126-58-0	.685
2.	W.J. Wisdom (1920-22, 24-28, 30-35)	71-35-15	.648
3.	Sam McElroy (2005-09)	40-15-0	.727
4.	Buddy Fornes (1973-82)	39-59-1	.399
5.	Hal McAfee (1988-92)	36-18-0	.667
6.	H.A. "Sandy" Sanford (1951-59)	33-46-3	.420
7.	Cary Fowler (2010-15)	30-32-0	.484
8.	A.B. Hays (1913-20)	25-15-4	.613
9.	Bill Pringle (1985-87)	21-11-1	.652
	Johnny Dunn (1961-66)	21-34-0	.382

COACH HISTORY

YEAR-BY-YEAR COACHING RECORDS

YEAR	COACH	W-L-T	PCT	POSTSEASON
2025	Todd Whitten	12-1	.923	FCS Playoffs Quarterfinals
2024	Todd Whitten	10-4	.714	FCS Playoffs 2nd Round
2023	Todd Whitten	8-3	.727	
2022	Todd Whitten	6-5	.545	
2021	Todd Whitten	6-5	.545	
2020	Todd Whitten	5-3	.625	
2019	Todd Whitten	11-1	.917	Div. II Playoffs 1st Rd
2018	Todd Whitten	12-1	.923	Div. II Playoffs 3RD RD
2017	Todd Whitten	6-6	.500	Corsicana Bowl
2016	Todd Whitten	5-6	.455	
2015	Cary Fowler	3-7	.300	
2014	Cary Fowler	5-5	.500	
2013	Cary Fowler	7-3	.700	
2012	Cary Fowler	6-4	.600	
2011	Cary Fowler	6-5	.545	
2010	Cary Fowler	3-8	.273	
2009	Sam McElroy	10-3	.769	Div. II Playoffs 2nd Rd
2008	Sam McElroy	8-3	.727	
2007	Sam McElroy	9-2	.818	
2006	Sam McElroy	6-4	.600	
2005	Sam McElroy	7-3	.700	
2004	Todd Whitten	7-4	.636	
2003	Todd Whitten	8-4	.667	Div. II Playoffs 1st Rd
2002	Todd Whitten	9-2	.818	
2001	Todd Whitten	10-3	.769	Div. II Playoffs 2nd Rd
2000	Todd Whitten	6-5	.545	
1999	Craig Wederquist	5-6	.455	
1998	Craig Wederquist	3-8	.273	
1997	Craig Wederquist	4-7	.364	
1996	Todd Whitten	5-5	.500	
1995	Ronnie Roemisch	1-10	.091	
1994	Ronnie Roemisch	3-6-1	.350	(First year in Div. II)
1993	Ronnie Roemisch	5-5	.500	
1992	Hal McAfee	6-4	.600	
1991	Hal McAfee	3-7	.300	
1990	Hal McAfee	11-1	.917	NAIA playoffs
1989	Hal McAfee	9-3	.750	NAIA playoffs
1988	Hal McAfee	7-3	.700	
1987	Bill Pringle	9-3	.750	NAIA playoffs
1986	Bill Pringle	9-1-1	.864	Sunflower Bowl
1985	Bill Pringle	3-7	.300	
1984	Bobby Fox	6-5	.545	Aztec Bowl
1983	Bobby Fox	2-7	.222	
1982	Buddy Fornes	4-4	.500	
1981	Buddy Fornes	6-4	.600	
1980	Buddy Fornes	3-7	.300	
1979	Buddy Fornes	6-4	.600	
1978	Buddy Fornes	8-1-1	.850	NAIA playoffs
1977	Buddy Fornes	7-3	.700	
1976	Buddy Fornes	2-7	.222	
1975	Buddy Fornes	1-10	.091	
1974	Buddy Fornes	1-10	.091	
1973	Buddy Fornes	1-9	.100	
1972	Lloyd Taylor	1-9	.100	(Forfeit win not included)
1971	Lloyd Taylor	3-7	.300	
1970	Lloyd Taylor	1-8	.111	
1969	Hobart Lytal	1-9	.100	
1968	Hobart Lytal	2-7	.222	
1967	Hobart Lytal	1-8	.111	
1966	Johnny Dunn	7-3	.700	Aztec Bowl
1965	Johnny Dunn	3-7	.300	
1964	Johnny Dunn	3-6	.333	
1963	Johnny Dunn	3-6	.333	
1962	Johnny Dunn	2-7	.222	
1961	Johnny Dunn	3-5	.375	(First year Senior College)

TRENDS UNDER WHITTEN

	2025	Career		2025	Career
Home	7-0	73-23	Leading at Halftime	9-0	101-16
Away	5-1	51-33	Trailing at Halftime	3-1	20-36
Neutral	0-0	2-2	Tied at Halftime	0-0	5-6
Overtime	2-0	4-4	More Rushing Yards Than Opponent	9-0	97-15
vs. NCAA Division I Opponents	12-1	40-23	Fewer Rushing Yards Than Opponent	3-1	28-43
Natural Grass	0-0	39-22	Rush For < 100 Yards	0-1	10-25
Artificial Turf	12-1	87-36	Rush For 100+ Yards	12-0	116-33
Day Games	4-1	41-23	Opponent Rushes For < 100 Yards	3-0	58-4
Night Games	8-0	84-35	Opponent Rushes For 100+ Yards	9-1	68-54
August	2-0	6-1	More Passing Yards Than Opponent	10-1	92-35
September	3-0	43-17	Fewer Passing Yards Than Opponent	2-0	34-23
October	4-0	43-16	Pass For < 300 Yards	8-0	88-42
November	2-1	28-18	Pass For 300+ Yards	4-1	38-16
December	1-0	1-3	Opponent Passes For < 300 Yards	11-1	110-44
February	0-0	1-2	Opponent Passes For 300+ Yards	1-0	16-14
March	0-0	4-0	More Total Yards Than Opponent	10-1	108-14
April	0-0	0-1	Fewer Total Yards Than Opponent	2-0	18-44
Score < 20 Points	0-0	6-32	Gain < 500 Total Yards	7-1	82-55
Score 20-29 Points	0-1	15-18	Gain 500+ Total Yards	5-0	44-3
Score 30-39 Points	3-0	35-27	Opponent Gains < 500 Total Yards	11-1	116-45
Score 40+ Points	9-0	70-1	Opponent Gains 500+ Total Yards	1-0	10-13
Opponent Scores < 20 Points	7-0	69-4	Trail Time of Possession	5-0	61-44
Opponent Scores 20-29 Points	3-0	37-20	Lead Time of Possession	7-1	65-14
Opponent Scores 30-39 Points	0-1	15-14	Commit No Turnovers	7-0	45-8
Opponent Scores 40+ Points	2-0	5-20	Win Turnover Battle	11-0	86-10
Scoring First	9-0	95-23	Lose Turnover Battle	1-0	23-33
Opponent Scoring First	3-1	31-35	Equal Turnovers As Opponent	0-1	17-15

THRIVING WITH WHITTEN



70-1

WHITTEN'S RECORD
AT TARLETON STATE
WHEN SCORING 40
OR MORE POINTS
IN A GAME

44-3

WHITTEN'S RECORD
AT TARLETON STATE
WHEN EXCEEDING
500 YARDS OF
OFFENSE
IN A GAME

35-16

WHITTEN'S RECORD
AT TARLETON STATE
WHEN QB PASSES
FOR OVER 300
YARDS
IN A GAME

70-23

TARLETON STATE'S
RECORD UNDER
WHITTEN
COMBINED OVER
THE LAST SEVEN
SEASONS

2025 Tarleton State University Football Overall Statistics (as of Dec 6, 2025)

Team Statistics	TAR	OPP
SCORING	573	234
Points Per Game	44.08	18.00
FIRST DOWNS	303	223
Rushing	136	103
Passing	142	100
Penalty	25	20
RUSHING YARDAGE	2658	2127
Yards gained	3004	2496
Yards lost	346	369
Attempts	544	485
Avg Per Attempt	4.9	4.4
Avg Per Game	204.5	163.6
TDs Rushing	33	20
PASSING YARDAGE	3482	2087
Att-Comp-Int	368-225-6	328-171-23
Avg Per Attempt	9.46	6.36
Avg Per Catch	15.48	12.20
Avg Per Game	267.85	160.54
TDs Passing	37	9
TOTAL OFFENSE	6140	4214
Total Plays	912	813
Avg Per Play	6.7	5.2
Avg Per Game	472.3	324.2
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS	21-493	43-600
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS	18-169	8-56
INT RETURNS: #-YARDS	23-393	6-133
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	23.48	13.95
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	9.39	7.00
INT RETURN AVERAGE	17.09	22.17
FUMBLES-LOST	15-2	27-15
PENALTIES-YARDS	69-633	73-658
Avg Per Game	48.69	50.62
PUNTS-YARDS	49-1896	70-2964
Avg Per Punt	38.69	42.34
Net Punt Avg	36.73	38.50
KICKOFFS-YARDS	97-5706	49-2985
Avg Per Kick	58.82	60.92
Net Kick Avg	46.04	41.47
TIME OF POSSESSION	06:46:38	06:08:32
Per Game	31:17	28:21
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	76-179	50-172
3rd-Down Pct	42.46%	29.07%
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	17-27	9-23
4th-Down Pct	62.96%	39.13%
SACKS BY-YARDS	33-217	23-132
MISC YARDS	0	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	74	29
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	17-23	11-17
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-2	0-2
RED-ZONE SCORES	54-62	23-32
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	43-62	15-32
PAT-ATTEMPTS	70-71	27-27
ATTENDANCE	144,783	53,562
Dates-Avg Per Date	7-20,683	6-8,927
Neutral Site #-Avg	-	0-0

Conf	Date	Opponent	WL	Score	Record	Time	Attend
	08/23/2025	at Portland State	W	42-0	1-0 , 0-0	03:09	1,890
	08/29/2025	at Army West Point	W	30-27	2-0 , 0-0	03:57	23,032
	09/06/2025	MISSISSIPPI VAL.	W	59-3	3-0 , 0-0	03:53	21,330
*	09/13/2025	at Central Ark.	W	56-10	4-0 , 1-0	03:32	6,374
	09/20/2025	CHATTANOOGA	W	52-24	5-0 , 1-0	03:51	23,732
*	10/04/2025	SOUTHERN UTAH	W	52-42	6-0 , 2-0	03:20	16,412
*	10/11/2025	at Utah Tech	W	41-23	7-0 , 3-0	03:22	3,818
*	10/18/2025	WEST GA.	W	45-10	8-0 , 4-0	03:21	24,012
*	10/25/2025	at Eastern Ky.	W	31-7	9-0 , 5-0	02:43	6,448
*	11/01/2025	at Abilene Christian	L	28-31	9-1 , 5-1	04:30	12,000
*	11/15/2025	NORTH ALA.	W	61-0	10-1 , 6-1	03:25	21,067
*	11/22/2025	AUSTIN PEAY	W	45-44	11-1 , 7-1	03:55	18,488
	12/06/2025	NORTH DAKOTA	W	31-13	12-1 , 7-1	03:14	19,742

* = Conference game

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Tarleton St.	120	166	155	119	13	573
Opponents	77	68	44	36	9	234

#	Rushing	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOSS	NET	AVG	TD	LG	AVG/G
0	Page III, Tre	8	112	869	30	839	7.5	7	89	104.88
14	Paige, James	9	96	532	12	520	5.4	8	53	57.78
6	Lewis, Caleb	10	127	511	46	465	3.7	9	40	46.50
1	Hines, Tylan	4	63	455	20	435	6.9	3	40	108.75
39	Rosemond, Deangelo	12	19	204	6	198	10.4	0	65	16.50
8	Bridges, Braelon	5	19	121	3	118	6.2	1	36	23.60
3	Greek, Daniel	12	39	125	50	75	1.9	4	14	6.25
4	Pete, Jaden	4	3	35	6	29	9.7	0	21	7.25
2	Jackson, Cody	13	1	6	0	6	6.0	0	6	0.46
48	Woerner, Reese	1	3	4	0	4	1.3	0	4	4.00
11	Gabalys, Victor	11	44	142	142	0	0.0	1	33	0.00
59	Hatch, Kurt	13	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.00
73	Moe, Aidan	13	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.00
	Team	13	18	0	31	-31	-1.7	0	0	-2.38
	Total	13	544	3004	346	2658	4.9	33	89	204.46
	Opponents	13	485	2496	369	2127	4.4	20	67	163.62

#	Passing	GP	Rating	COMP-ATT-INT	PCT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/G
11	Gabalys, Victor	11	164.88	175-293-5	59.73%	2687	28	78	244.27
3	Greek, Daniel	12	196.96	49-71-1	69.01%	791	8	44	65.92
14	Paige, James	9	231.80	1-2-0	50.00%	4	1	4	0.44
	Team	13	0.00	0-2-0	0.00%	0	0	0	0.00
	Total	13	170.54	225-368-6	61.14%	3482	37	78	267.85
	Opponents	13	100.61	171-328-23	52.13%	2087	9	64	160.54

#	Receiving	GP	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	LG	AVG/G
13	Kramer, Peyton	13	50	920	18.40	7	78	70.77
2	Jackson, Cody	13	53	799	15.08	6	60	61.46
19	West, Trevon	12	41	713	17.39	4	47	59.42
7	Willis, Marquis	12	20	459	22.95	4	77	38.25
10	Parker, Bryce	12	13	240	18.46	3	34	20.00
9	Young, T'lar	13	12	166	13.83	3	75	12.77
88	Hearne, Dawson	12	10	101	10.10	6	26	8.42
6	Lewis, Caleb	10	11	71	6.45	0	22	7.10
44	Joiner, Danny	13	6	33	5.50	3	8	2.54
0	Page III, Tre	8	7	29	4.14	0	10	3.63
5	Johnson, Keylan	7	2	16	8.00	1	12	2.29
4	Emmons, Omar	13	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
81	Harden, Reginald	12	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
11	Holmes, Yasir	13	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
	Total	13	225	3547	15.76	37	78	272.85
	Opponents	13	171	2087	12.20	9	64	160.54

#	Scoring	TD	FG	KICK	RUSH	PAT	RUSH	PASS	DXP	SAF	PTS
46	Larson, Brad	—	13	64-65	—	—	—	—	—	—	103
6	Lewis, Caleb	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	54
14	Paige, James	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	48
13	Kramer, Peyton	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	42
0	Page III, Tre	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	42
88	Hearne, Dawson	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	36
2	Jackson, Cody	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	36
7	Willis, Marquis	4	—	—	—	1	1-1	—	—	—	26
3	Greek, Daniel	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	24
19	West, Trevon	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	24
1	Hines, Tylan	3	—	—	1-1	—	—	—	—	—	20
44	Joiner, Danny	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18
10	Parker, Bryce	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18
84	Poston, Corbin	—	4	6-6	—	—	—	—	—	—	18
9	Young, T'lar	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	18
11	Gabalys, Victor	1	—	—	—	1	1-1	—	—	—	8
16	Owens, AJ	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	8
15	Aubert, Jadan	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
8	Bridges, Braelon	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
4	Emmons, Omar	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
5	Johnson, Keylan	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
6	Rawls, Ty	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
	Total	74	17	70-71	1-1	2	2-2	—	1	573	
	Opponents	29	11	27-27	—	—	0-2	—	—	234	

#	Field Goals	FGM-FGA	PCT	I20	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	LG	BLK
84	Poston, Corbin	4-8	50.00%	0-0	0-0	0-0	3-7	1-1	50	0
46	Larson, Brad	13-15	86.67%	0-0	4-5	9-9	0-1	0-0	39	0
	Total	17-23	73.91%	0-0	4-5	9-9	3-8	1-1	50	0
	Opponents	11-17	64.71%	1-4	1-1	5-5	3-6	1-1	52	0

FG Sequence	Tarleton St.	Opponents
Portland State	42,46	54,37
Army West Point	(30),(28),(37)	(24),43,(40),35
Mississippi Val.	43,(39)	(19)
Central Ark.	-	(33)
Chattanooga	(27),27,(50),(49)	(37)
Southern Utah	(32)	-
Utah Tech	-	(35),(37),(37)
West Ga.	(33),47	(52)
Eastern Ky.	(42)	-
Abilene Christian	47,(36),(34)	45,(47)
North Ala.	(34)	36
Austin Peay	(41)	(29)
North Dakota	(21),(39),(26)	-

#	Punt Returns	NO	YRDS	AVG	TD	LG
6	Lewis, Caleb	9	129	14.33	0	31
10	Parker, Bryce	1	15	15.00	0	15
9	Smith, Blake	7	14	2.00	0	7
45	Stephens, Courtland	1	11	11.00	0	11
	Total	18	169	9.39	0	31
	Opponents	8	56	7.00	0	32

#	Interceptions	NO	YRDS	AVG	TD	LG
2	Kurns, Kasyus	6	38	6.33	0	40
6	Rawls, Ty	3	111	37.00	1	57
4	Emmons, Omar	3	37	12.33	1	37
1	Melidor, Ja'Voni	2	-9	-4.50	0	0
37	Stephenson, Hagan	1	83	83.00	0	83
15	Aubert, Jadan	1	69	69.00	1	69
17	Smith, Bam	1	34	34.00	0	34
24	Rice, Avian	1	14	14.00	0	14
30	Johnson, Markell	1	13	13.00	0	13
12	Sterling, Devin	1	3	3.00	0	3
3	Odimara, Les	1	0	0.00	0	0
21	Postell, Jeremiah	1	0	0.00	0	0
9	Smith, Blake	1	0	0.00	0	0
	Total	23	393	17.09	3	83
	Opponents	6	133	22.17	0	57

#	Kick Returns	NO	YRDS	AVG	TD	LG
39	Rosemond, Deangelo	15	382	25.47	0	53
6	Lewis, Caleb	2	55	27.50	0	34
47	Robinson, Charlie	2	49	24.50	0	32
12	Sterling, Devin	1	7	7.00	0	7
8	Tita-Nwa, Branson	1	0	0.00	0	0
	Total	21	493	23.48	0	53
	Opponents	43	600	13.95	0	49

#	Fumble Returns	NO	YRDS	AVG	TD	LG
15	Aubert, Jadan	1	4	4.00	0	4
32	Dickens, Koby	1	0	0.00	0	0
16	Owens, AJ	1	0	0.00	1	0
26	Tolvert, Brandon	1	0	0.00	0	0
	Total	4	4	1.00	1	4
	Opponents	0	0	0	0	0

#	Total Offense	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	AVG/G
11	Gabalys, Victor	11	337	0	2687	2687	244.27
3	Greek, Daniel	12	110	75	791	866	72.17
0	Page III, Tre	8	112	839	0	839	104.88
14	Paige, James	9	98	520	4	524	58.22
6	Lewis, Caleb	10	127	465	0	465	46.50
1	Hines, Tylan	4	63	435	0	435	108.75
39	Rosemond, Deangelo	12	19	198	0	198	16.50
8	Bridges, Braelon	5	19	118	0	118	23.60
4	Pete, Jaden	4	3	29	0	29	7.25
2	Jackson, Cody	13	1	6	0	6	0.46
48	Woerner, Reese	1	3	4	0	4	4.00
	Team	13	20	-31	0	-31	-2.38
	Total	13	912	2658	3482	6140	472.31
	Opponents	13	813	2127	2087	4214	324.15

#	Punting	NO	YDS	AVG	LG	TB	FC	I20	50+	BLK
83	Mullen, Charlie	49	1896	38.69	57	2	14	20	5	0
	Total	49	1896	38.69	57	2	14	20	5	0
	Opponents	70	2964	42.34	72	5	16	23	19	2

#	Kickoffs	NO	YDS	AVG	TB	OB
46	Larson, Brad	13	797	61.3	3	0
84	Poston, Corbin	84	4909	58.4	29	1
	Total	97	5706	58.8	32	1
	Opponents	49	2985	60.9	23	0

#	Defensive Leaders	GP	Tackles				Sacks NO-YDS	Pass Defense			Fumbles		Blocked	
			Solo	ASST	TOT	TFL-YDS		INT-YDS	BU	QBH	RCV-YDS	FF	KICK	SAF
16	Owens, AJ	13	34	55	89.0	7.0-21	3.5-13	—	3	1	1-0	—	—	1
12	Sterling, Devin	13	22	36	58.0	3.5-10	0.5-4	1-3	1	2	1-0	—	—	—
17	Smith, Bam	12	20	27	47.0	4.0-8	—	1-34	1	1	—	—	—	—
26	Tolvert, Brandon	13	26	21	47.0	8.5-26	3.0-13	—	—	5	1-0	—	—	—
11	Holmes, Yasir	13	25	20	45.0	13.0-72	8.0-56	—	—	6	—	1	—	—
6	Rawls, Ty	13	26	17	43.0	3.0-7	—	3-111	2	1	—	—	—	—
15	Aubert, Jadan	13	27	10	37.0	3.0-9	—	1-69	—	—	2-4	—	—	—
4	Emmons, Omar	13	18	18	36.0	3.0-10	—	3-37	3	—	1-0	3	1	—
27	Woods Jr., Stephen	13	17	18	35.0	5.0-31	2.0-19	—	2	1	—	1	—	—
24	Rice, Avian	12	17	17	34.0	2.0-5	—	1-14	1	1	—	—	—	—
9	Smith, Blake	12	17	16	33.0	—	—	1-0	4	—	1-0	1	—	—
5	Hawkins, Dabari	13	23	8	31.0	3.0-9	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
2	Kurns, Kasyus	11	17	12	29.0	2.0-4	—	6-38	3	1	1-0	—	—	—
10	Griffis, Josh	13	13	15	28.0	8.0-41	2.5-31	—	1	6	—	1	—	—
97	Turrentine, James	13	7	17	24.0	3.5-8	1.0-6	—	1	—	1-0	—	—	—
14	Anderson, Angelo	11	14	8	22.0	10.5-60	9.5-55	—	—	2	—	5	—	—
1	Melidor, Ja'Voni	13	13	6	19.0	1.5-3	—	2--9	5	—	—	—	—	—
32	Dickens, Koby	13	8	7	15.0	0.5-1	—	—	2	—	2-0	—	—	—
13	Njenge, Pius	10	4	11	15.0	3.0-15	2.0-14	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
52	Rios, Robert	13	4	10	14.0	1.5-4	0.5-3	—	—	3	—	1	—	—
92	Chism, Tramaine	9	5	8	13.0	0.5-0	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—
44	Wolfgang, Vililami	11	2	10	12.0	0.5-3	0.5-3	—	—	2	—	—	—	—
3	Odimara, Les	11	5	6	11.0	—	—	1-0	1	—	—	—	—	—
30	Johnson, Markell	11	2	8	10.0	1.5-2	—	1-13	—	—	1-0	—	—	—
37	Stephenson, Hagan	13	2	8	10.0	—	—	1-83	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	Freeman, Matt	5	3	6	9.0	1.0-4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
33	Henry, Jay	8	3	6	9.0	1.5-5	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—
45	Stephens, Courtland	10	2	6	8.0	—	—	—	—	—	1-0	—	1	—
0	Holt, Caden	2	—	7	7.0	0.5-1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Hood, Deaubry	13	4	3	7.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19	Jackson, Kyle	3	1	5	6.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
78	Stewart, Brodrick	9	2	4	6.0	1.5-2	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
38	Roberts, Roddrick	2	1	4	5.0	0.5-2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
23	Hookfin, Mike	3	3	1	4.0	1.0-2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
29	Cutler, Cayden	7	3	—	3.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28	Marks, Bones	7	2	1	3.0	0.5-2	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
94	Adindu, Leslie	3	—	2	2.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
81	Harden, Reginald	12	1	1	2.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13	Kramer, Peyton	13	1	1	2.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21	Postell, Jeremiah	3	1	1	2.0	—	—	1-0	1	—	—	—	—	—
91	Shaw, Jaydan	2	—	2	2.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	Tita-Nwa, Branson	10	1	1	2.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
41	Brass, Reid	13	1	—	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	1-0	—	—	—
54	DaVault, Sean	1	—	1	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	Freeman, Mat	1	—	1	1.0	0.5-1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	Greek, Daniel	12	—	1	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	Hines, Tylan	4	1	—	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
83	Mullen, Charlie	13	—	1	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10	Parker, Bryce	12	1	—	1.0	1.0-22	—	—	—	—	1-0	1	—	—
84	Poston, Corbin	12	1	—	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	Robinson, Kam	1	1	—	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
69	Smith, Braden	13	1	—	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	Spruiells, David	1	—	1	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
51	Teuhema, Sione	1	—	1	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
19	West, Trevon	12	1	—	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	Willis, Marquis	12	1	—	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	Bridges, Braelon	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11	Gabalis, Victor	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
88	Hearne, Dawson	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	Jackson, Cody	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	Johnson, Keylan	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
44	Joiner, Danny	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
46	Larson, Brad	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	Lewis, Caleb	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
0	Page III, Tre	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14	Paige, James	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TM	Team	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	Young, T'iar	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total		13	404	446	850.0	96.0-390	33.0-217	23-393	35	37	15-4	15	2	1
Opponents		13	509	366	875.0	86.0-277	23.0-132	6-133	39	23	2-0	5	—	—