



PATRIOT LEAGUE FOOTBALL 2026 NOTEBOOK

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2026 PATRIOT LEAGUE FOOTBALL STANDINGS

	PATRIOT LEAGUE						OVERALL					
	W-L	Pct.	H	A	PF-PA	STREAK	W-L	Pct.	H	A	PF-PA	STREAK
RV COLGATE	2-0	1.000	1-0	1-0	59-24	W2	2-0	1.000	1-0	1-0	59-24	W2
NO. 8/9 LEHIGH	2-0	1.000	0-0	2-0	80-24	W2	2-0	1.000	0-0	2-0	80-24	W2
NO. 21/RV RICHMOND	1-0	1.000	1-0	0-0	35-14	W1	2-0	1.000	1-0	1-0	63-35	W2
NO. 16/16 WILLIAM & MARY	1-0	1.000	0-0	1-0	35-32	W1	2-0	1.000	1-0	1-0	57-47	W2
NO. 18/21 VILLANOVA	1-1	.500	0-1	1-0	49-51	W1	1-1	.500	0-1	1-0	49-51	W1
LAFAYETTE	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	--	0-1	.000	0-0	0-1	7-56	L1
GEORGETOWN	0-1	.000	0-1	0-0	14-45	L1	0-1	.000	0-1	0-0	14-45	L1
FORDHAM	0-1	.000	0-1	0-0	14-24	L1	0-2	.000	0-1	0-1	14-62	L2
BUCKNELL	0-2	.000	0-1	0-1	30-52	L2	0-2	.000	0-1	0-1	30-52	L2
HOLY CROSS	0-2	.000	0-1	0-1	20-70	L2	0-2	.000	0-1	0-1	20-70	L2

THIS WEEK'S GAMES (ALL TIMES ET)

WEEK TWO

Friday, September 11

Richmond at NC State (ESPNU)..... 7 p.m.

Villanova at Louisville (ACCNX) 7 p.m.

Saturday, September 12

Marist at Lafayette (ESPN+) 12:30 p.m.

Holy Cross at Miami (Ohio) (ESPN+)..... 1 p.m.

Colgate at Central Michigan (ESPN+) 1 p.m.

Bucknell at VMI (ESPN+) 1:30 p.m.

William & Mary at Lehigh (ESPN+) ..2 p.m.

Fordham at Coastal Carolina (ESPN+) 7:30 p.m.

WEEK THREE

Saturday, September 19

Villanova at LIU (NECFR)..... Noon

Dartmouth at Lehigh (ESPN+) Noon

Lafayette at Columbia (ESPN+) Noon

Cornell at Colgate (ESPN+) 1 p.m.

Yale at Holy Cross (ESPN+) 2 p.m.

Penn at Bucknell (ESPN+) 3 p.m.

Georgetown at Richmond (ESPN+) 3:30 p.m.

Fordham at William & Mary (ESPN+) 6 p.m.

RECENT GAMES

WEEK ONE

Saturday, September 5

At UConn 56, Lafayette 7

Lehigh 45, at Georgetown 14

At Colgate 35, Holy Cross 10

At North Dakota State 38, Fordham 0

Richmond 28, at Howard 21

Villanova 17, at Bucknell 16

At William & Mary 22, Delaware State 15



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•Patriot League Football in the Polls: AFCA - No. 8 Lehigh, No. 16 William & Mary, No. 18 Villanova, No. 21 Richmond and Colgate receiving votes; Stats Perform - No. 9 Lehigh, No. 16 William & Mary, No. 21 Villanova and Richmond receiving votes.

•Patriot League Players of the Week: Offensive - Colgate's Matt Fogler (So., WR); Defensive - Villanova's Omari Bursey (So., LB); Special Teams - W&M's Max Lipinski (Jr., PK); Rookie - W&M's Khyll Johnson (Fr., WR).

•Villanova's Omari Bursey earned Stats Perform FCS National Defensive Player of the Week; Bursey posted a game-high 14 tackles in a Week One win over Bucknell. He is the FCS leader with 14.5 tackles per game through two weeks.

•Bucknell's Sam Milligan (Sr., WR) tied the Bison's career record for touchdown receptions with 18, catching two vs. Villanova (9.5). Milligan leads the FCS with 9.5 receptions per game.

•Lehigh's Luke Yoder (Sr., RB) is second among active FCS rushers and 15th in Patriot League history with (3,317 yards) and third in rushing touchdowns (36). Yoder is two rushing TDs shy of Matthew Sluka (HC, QB) for 10th in League history.

PATRIOT LEAGUE NOTEBOOK (WEEK TWO)

ONE PATRIOT LEAGUE CONTEST, FIVE FBS MATCHUPS AND TWO NON-LEAGUE FCS GAMES IN WEEK TWO

•**Lehigh Hosts William & Mary in Top 25 Showdown** - No. 8/9 Lehigh hosts No. 16/16 William & Mary in one of two FCS games this week between Top 25 opponents (the other is No. 13 SFA at No. 23 Abilene Christian). The Mountain Hawks and Tribe meet for the first time since 1992 and the first time as League rivals.

•**Patriot League vs. FBS** - Five Patriot League teams will face FBS teams this week. Richmond and Villanova aim to become the first Patriot League teams to beat an ACC opponent on Friday. Colgate and Holy Cross will face MAC opponents on Saturday. Fordham defeated Buffalo, 40-37, on Sept. 9, 2023, in the League's last win over a MAC team. Fordham meets Coastal Carolina (Sun Belt), marking the first time a League team has faced the Chanticleers since they transitioned to the FBS in 2017.

•**Patriot League vs. FCS** - Lafayette hosts Marist (Pioneer), and Bucknell travels to VMI (SoCon) in a pair of FCS matchups. The Patriot League is 2-0 against non-conference FCS opponents in 2026.

A NEW ERA OF PATRIOT LEAGUE FOOTBALL: PATRIOT LEAGUE IN THE POLLS

•**AFCA COACHES POLL:** Four Patriot League teams are in the AFCA Coaches Poll for the second straight week. The last two polls mark the first in League history that four teams have been ranked. Lehigh moved up two spots to No. 8 after improving to 2-0. William & Mary climbed to No. 16, Villanova checked in at No. 18 and Richmond also improved by two spots to No. 21. Colgate is receiving votes after a pair of decisive League wins.

•**STATS PERFORM FCS TOP 25 POLL:** No. 9 Lehigh, No. 16 William & Mary and No. 21 Villanova all appeared in the Stats Perform FCS Top 25 Poll, with Richmond receiving votes. This marks the second straight week and the first time since the postseason poll of the 2009 season in which three League squads were ranked. In that poll, Patriot League champion Holy Cross was No. 14, Colgate was No. 21 and Lafayette was No. 24.

PATRIOT LEAGUE 2026 SINGLE-GAME LEADERS

OFFENSE

PASSING: David Lynch (HC) vs. Lehigh (8.29.26), 313

TD PASSES: Jake Stearney (GATE) vs. Holy Cross (9.5.26), 4

RUSHING: Danny Shaban (GATE) at Fordham (8.28.26), 214

RECEIVING: Matt Fogler (GATE) at Holy Cross (9.5.26), 153

RECEPTIONS: Sam Milligan (BUCK) vs. Villanova (9.5.26), 13

SCORING: Luke Yoder (LEH) at Georgetown (9.5.26), 24

DEFENSE/SPECIAL TEAMS

TACKLES: Omari Bursey (NOVA) vs. William & Mary (8.28.26), 15

TFLs: Omari Bursey (NOVA) vs. William & Mary (8.28.26), 4.0

SACKS: Camden Byrd (RICH) vs. Bucknell (8.29.26), 3.0

INTERCEPTIONS: Cade Ellis (W&M) at Villanova (8.28.26), 2

LONGEST KOR: Yohan-Li Louis (FORD) vs. Colgate (8.28.26), 40

FG DISTANCE: Max Lipinski (W&M) vs. Del St. (9.5.26), 51



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THIS WEEK IN PATRIOT LEAGUE FOOTBALL (WEEK TWO)

NO. 21/rv RICHMOND SPIDERS (2-0, 1-0 PL) AT NC STATE WOLFPACK (0-1, 0-0 ACC - FBS)

Carter-Finley Stadium/Raleigh, N.C. Friday, Sept. 11 – 7 p.m. (ESPNU)

BROADCAST (ESPNU): PxP – Jay Alter, Analyst – Tom Luginbill

RADIO BROADCAST: (ESPN Richmond 106.1): PxP - Bob Black; Analyst - Chris Anderson; Sideline - Matt Smith; Studio Host - Matt Josephs

SERIES HISTORY: Richmond meets NC State for the 21st time in series history, trailing the Wolfpack, 18-1-1.

LAST MEETING: (Sept. 7, 2013) At NC State 23, Richmond 21

NO. 18/21 VILLANOVA WILDCATS (1-1, 1-1 PL) AT NO. 24/rv LOUISVILLE CARDINALS (0-1, 0-0 ACC - FBS)

L&N Federal Credit Union Stadium/Louisville, Ky. Friday, Sept. 11 – 7 p.m. (ACC Network)

BROADCAST (ACCN): PxP – Cooper Boardman, Analyst – Charles Arbuckle; Sideline – Ashley Stroehlein

RADIO BROADCAST (Villanova - AM 1480, FM 102.5, FM 104.1): PxP - Ryan Fanon; Analyst - Nick Mantegna

SERIES HISTORY: Villanova and Louisville will meet for the first time in series history.

MARIST RED FOXES (1-1, 0-0 PIONEER) AT LAFAYETTE LEOPARDS (0-1, 0-0 PL)

Fisher Stadium/Easton, Pa. Saturday, Sept. 12 – 12:30 p.m. (ESPN+)

BROADCAST (ESPN+): PxP – Gary Laubach; Analyst – Mike Joseph; Sidelines – Gabby DiPaula, John Leone and Phil Ng

SERIES HISTORY: Lafayette and Marist meet for the seventh time, with the Leopards holding a 6-0 advantage.

LAST MEETING: (Sept. 14, 2024) At Lafayette 56, Marist 14

HOLY CROSS CRUSADERS (0-2, 0-2 PL) AT MIAMI UNIVERSITY REDHAWKS (0-1, 0-0 MAC - FBS)

Yager Stadium/Oxford, Ohio. Saturday, Sept. 12 – 1 p.m. (ESPN+)

BROADCAST (ESPN+): PxP – Eric Rothman; Analyst – Brad Hopkins

SERIES HISTORY: Holy Cross and Miami will meet for the first time in series history.

COLGATE RAIDERS (2-0, 2-0 PL) AT CENTRAL MICHIGAN CHIPPEWAS (0-1, 0-0 MAC - FBS)

Kelly/Shorts Stadium/Mount Pleasant, Mich. Saturday, Sept. 12 – 1 p.m. (ESPN+)

BROADCAST (ESPN+): PxP – Dan Gutowsky; Analyst – Ahman Green

SERIES HISTORY: Colgate and Central Michigan will meet for the first time in series history.

BUCKNELL BISON (0-2, 0-2 PL) AT VMI KEYDETS (0-2, 0-0 SOCON)

Alumni Memorial Field/Lexington, Va. Saturday, Sept. 12 – 1:30 p.m. (ESPN+)

BROADCAST (ESPN+): PxP – PxP – Wade Branner; Analyst – Chip Tarkenton

RADIO BROADCAST (1070 AM WKOK): PxP – Doug Birdsong; Analyst – Charlie Fisher

SERIES HISTORY: Bucknell and VMI will meet for the 10th time, with the Bison holding a 6-3 series advantage.

LAST MEETING: (Sept. 13, 2025) At Bucknell 35, VMI 28

NO. 16/16 WILLIAM & MARY TRIBE (2-0, 1-0 PL) AT NO. 8/9 LEHIGH MOUNTAIN HAWKS (2-0, 2-0 PL)

Goodman Stadium/Bethlehem, Pa. Saturday, Sept. 12 – 2 p.m. (ESPN+)

BROADCAST (ESPN+): PxP – Marco Socci; Analyst – Lance Haynes

RADIO BROADCAST (Lehigh - Fox Sports Radio 94.7 FM/1230AM): PxP – Matt Kerr; Analyst – Mike Yadush; Sideline - Connor Brown

RADIO BROADCAST (92.3 The Tide): PxP - Jay Colley; Analyst - Shawn Knight

SERIES HISTORY: William and Mary and Lehigh meet for the 10th time in series history, with the Tribe holding an 8-1 advantage.

LAST MEETING: (1992) William & Mary 26, Lehigh 13

FORDHAM RAMS (0-2, 0-1 PL) AT COASTAL CAROLINA CHANTICLEERS (0-1, 0-0 SUN BELT - FBS)

Brooks Stadium/Conway, S.C. Saturday, Sept. 12 – 7:30 p.m. (ESPN+)

BROADCAST (ESPN+): PxP – Roy Philpott; Analyst – Brock Osweiler

RADIO BROADCAST (Fordham - WFUVSports.org): PxP - Tucker Austin; Analyst - Max Langer

SERIES HISTORY: Fordham meets Coastal Carolina for the first time in program history.

2026 PATRIOT LEAGUE IN THE POLLS (FCS COACHES/STATS PERFORM)

	BUCKNELL	COLGATE	FORDHAM	GEORGETOWN	HOLY CROSS	LAFAYETTE	LEHIGH	RICHMOND	VILLANOVA	WILLIAM & MARY
Preseason	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	rv/-	-/-	11/11	rv/rv	7/8	rv/-
Week 0 (Aug. 31)	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	10/10	23/rv	17/18	19/17
Week 1 (Sept. 7)	-/-	rv/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	8/9	21/rv	18/21	16/16
Week 2 (Sept. 14)	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-
Week 3 (Sept. 21)	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-
Week 4 (Sept. 28)	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-
Week 5 (Oct. 5)	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-
Week 6 (Oct. 12)	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-
Week 7 (Oct. 19)	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-
Week 8 (Oct. 26)	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-
Week 9 (Nov. 2)	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-
Week 10 (Nov. 9)	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-
Week 11 (Nov. 16)	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-
Week 12 (Nov. 23)	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-



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PATRIOT LEAGUE PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

WEEK ZERO (8.31.26)

OFFENSE - Danny Shaban, Colgate, RB
DEFENSE - Camden Byrd, Richmond, DE
SPECIAL TEAMS - Max Lipinski, W&M, PK
ROOKIE - Cade Ellis, W&M, S

WEEK ONE (9.7.26)

OFFENSE - Matt Fogler, Colgate, WR
DEFENSE - Omari Bursey, Villanova, LB
SPECIAL TEAMS - Max Lipinski, W&M, PK
ROOKIE - Khyll Johnson, W&M, WR

WEEK TWO (9.14.26)

OFFENSE -
DEFENSE -
SPECIAL TEAMS -
ROOKIE -

WEEK THREE (9.21.26)

OFFENSE -
DEFENSE -
SPECIAL TEAMS -
ROOKIE -

WEEK FOUR (9.28.26)

OFFENSE -
DEFENSE -
SPECIAL TEAMS -
ROOKIE -

WEEK FIVE (10.5.26)

OFFENSE -
DEFENSE -
SPECIAL TEAMS -
ROOKIE -

WEEK SIX (10.12.26)

OFFENSE -
DEFENSE -
SPECIAL TEAMS -
ROOKIE -

WEEK SEVEN (10.19.26)

OFFENSE -
DEFENSE -
SPECIAL TEAMS -
ROOKIE -

WEEK EIGHT (10.26.26)

OFFENSE -
DEFENSE -
SPECIAL TEAMS -
ROOKIE -

WEEK NINE (11.2.26)

OFFENSE -
DEFENSE -
SPECIAL TEAMS -
ROOKIE -

WEEK TEN (11.9.26)

OFFENSE -
DEFENSE -
SPECIAL TEAMS -
ROOKIE -

WEEK ELEVEN (11.16.26)

OFFENSE -
DEFENSE -
SPECIAL TEAMS -
ROOKIE -

WEEK TWELVE (11.23.26)

OFFENSE -
DEFENSE -
SPECIAL TEAMS -
ROOKIE -

PATRIOT LEAGUE FOOTBALL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

PATRIOT LEAGUE FOOTBALL OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Matt Fogler, Colgate, So., WR, Cincinnati, Ohio/Archbishop Moeller

*Fogler finished with a career-high 153 receiving yards and three TD on six receptions in a 35-10 win vs. Holy Cross.

*The reigning Patriot League Rookie of the Year had first-quarter touchdown receptions of 33 and 64 yards before an 18-yard touchdown catch in the second quarter to build a 28-10 halftime lead.

*His 153-yard game is the most by a Patriot League receiver through two weeks.

PATRIOT LEAGUE FOOTBALL DEFENSIVE PLAYER AND ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

Omari Bursey, Villanova, So., LB, Brookfield, Colo./Legacy

*Bursey finished with a game-high 14 tackles and a half tackle for loss in Villanova's 17-16 victory over Bucknell.

*The sophomore linebacker helped the Wildcats' defense limit the Bison to 60 rushing yards.

*He leads the Patriot League and NCAA DI FCS with 14.5 tackles per game.

PATRIOT LEAGUE FOOTBALL SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Max Lipinski, William & Mary, Jr., PK, King George, Va./King George

*Lipinski connected on 3-of-4 field-goal attempts, including a career-long 51-yard kick in the fourth quarter to earn his second straight Patriot League Special Teams Player of the Week honor.

*He also hit field goals from 25 and 32 yards, finishing with 10 of William & Mary's 22 points.

*He is 8-of-9 on field-goal attempts, including 4-of-5 from more than 40 yards this season.

PATRIOT LEAGUE FOOTBALL ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

Khyll Johnson, William & Mary, Fr., WR, Pittsburgh, Pa./Cornell

*Johnson led the Tribe with four catches for 83 yards in their 22-15 victory over Delaware State.

*The freshman receiver had a 63-yard reception during William & Mary's first drive of the game to set up a field goal.

*He ranks tied for fourth in the Patriot League with 158 receiving yards on eight catches through two games.

HONORABLE MENTIONS

TJ Cadden, Bucknell, Sr., WR/RS, Phoenixville, Pa./Episcopal Academy

*Cadden had two kick returns for 53 yards and three punt returns for 68 yards in the Bison's loss vs. No. 17/18 Villanova. His 49-yard punt return in the fourth quarter set up a field goal that gave Bucknell a 16-14 lead.



Sam Milligan, Bucknell, Sr., WR, Swarthmore, Pa./Strath Haven

*Milligan caught 13 passes for 135 yards and two touchdowns in a 17-16 loss to No. 17/18 Villanova. The senior wide receiver's two touchdown catches give him 18 during his career to match Bucknell's career receiving TD record.

Luke Yoder, Lehigh, Sr., RB, Palm Harbor, Fla./East Lake

*Yoder found the end zone four times, rushing for three touchdowns for the second straight week in Lehigh's 45-14 win at Georgetown. His 24-point game is his second in the Mountain Hawks' last four games, dating back to last season. He posted his second straight 100-yard rushing performance, finishing with 120 yards on 17 carries.

Christian Magliacano, Colgate, Jr., OLB, Berkeley Heights, N.J./St. Joseph Prep

*Magliacano finished with six tackles, including a career-high 3.5 TFLs for a loss of eight yards. The junior linebacker also returned an interception 14 yards to the Holy Cross 30-yard line in the third quarter. He helped the Raiders' defense hold the Crusaders scoreless in a 35-10 win.

Brian Allen, Georgetown, So. DB, Dallas, Ga./East Paulding

*Allen led the Hoyas with 14 tackles, including 10 solo stops. The sophomore defensive back also forced a fumble that was recovered and returned for a 22-yard touchdown in the second quarter.

Ned Gray, Richmond, So., P, Melbourne, Australia/St. Leonard's

*Gray averaged a career-high 46.9 yards per punt on seven attempts in the Spiders' 28-21 win over Howard. Four of his seven punts were for more than 50 yards with a long of 54 yards. He placed one punt inside the Bison 20-yard line.

Nathaniel McDonald, William & Mary, So., DL, Chesapeake, Va./Atlantic Shores Christian

*McDonald registered four tackles, two sacks, one forced fumble, and a game-high five quarterback hurries in the Tribe's 22-15 win over Delaware State. He also had one pass breakup, helping a defense that limited the Hornets to 15 points and forced six turnovers.



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PATRIOT LEAGUE NOTEBOOK (WEEK TWO)

PATRIOT LEAGUE FCS STATS LEADERS - AFTER WEEK ONE

Seven Patriot League football student-athletes sit atop FCS statistical categories after Week One, including both of the League's preseason major award winners.

- Lehigh's Luke Yoder (Sr., RB) leads the FCS in scoring (21.0), total touchdowns (7), rushing touchdowns (6), total points scored (42).
- Richmond's Camden Byrd (Gr., DL) sits atop the FCS leaderboard in sacks (2.0 per game).
- Bucknell's Sam Milligan (Sr., WR) is the FCS leader in receptions (9.5 per game).
- Georgetown's Brian Allen (So., DB) and Chigozie Oge-Evans (Sr., DL) lead the FCS in fumbles forced (1.0 per game). Allen leads the FCS in solo tackles (10.0 per game).
- Villanova's Omari Bursey (So., LB) tops the FCS in total tackles (14.5 per game).
- William & Mary's Max Lipinski (Jr., PK) leads the FCS with 4.0 field goals per game.

BURSEY EARNS FCS NATIONAL DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Villanova's Omari Bursey (So., LB) received Stats Perform FCS National Defensive Player of the Week honors after his 14-tackle performance in a 17-16 win at Bucknell. Three of Bursey's tackles came during the Bison's last drive. He leads the FCS with 14.5 tackles per game. Colgate's Matt Fogler (So., WR) earned an honorable mention for national offensive player of the week.

PATRIOT LEAGUE WINS VS. FBS OPPONENTS

Patriot League teams will face nine FBS opponents during the 2026 season, including five in Week Two. Since 2000, the Patriot League has recorded eight victories against FBS (formerly I-A) opponents, with the last coming in Fordham's 40-37 victory at Buffalo in 2023. Fordham and Holy Cross have three FBS wins apiece, while Colgate and Lehigh each have one.

Patriot League FBS Victories Since 2000

Sept. 9, 2023	Fordham 40, Buffalo 37
Sept. 10, 2022	Holy Cross 37, Buffalo 31
Sept. 4, 2021	Holy Cross 38, UConn 28
Sept. 4, 2015	Fordham 37, Army 35
Sept. 14, 2013	Fordham 30, Temple 29
Sept. 13, 2003	Colgate 38, Buffalo 15
Aug. 29, 2002	Lehigh 37, Buffalo 26
Sept. 7, 2002	Holy Cross 30, Army 21

BYRD ESTABLISHES HIMSELF AMONG FCS SACKS LEADERS

Richmond's Camden Byrd leads the FCS, averaging 2.0 sacks per game through two weeks. The pressure he puts on opposing QBs is nothing new, as Byrd has recorded a sack in each of his last six games dating back to last season. The Patriot League Preseason Defensive Player of the Year ranks second among all FCS players in career total sacks with 21.5.

Rk. Name, School, Career total sacks

1. Ckelby Givens, Southern U. 37.0
2. Camden Byrd, Richmond 21.5
3. Three players tied 14.5

YODER AMONG FCS CAREER RUSHING LEADERS

Lehigh RB Luke Yoder posted his second straight 100-yard rushing game, totaling 120 yards and four touchdowns in the Mountain Hawks' win at Georgetown. Through two weeks, Yoder is up to 3,317 career rushing yards to rank second among active FCS leaders, behind only Montana's Eli Gilman. Yoder is 15th among Patriot League career rushers entering Week Two. Yoder is also third among active FCS rushers with 36 career touchdowns. He has rushed for more than 1,000 yards and at least 10 touchdowns in the last two seasons to lead Lehigh to consecutive Patriot League titles.

Rk. Name, School Career rush yds

1. Eli Gilman, Montana 3,858
2. Luke Yoder, Lehigh 3,317
3. Beau Brungard, Youngstown St. 2,743

RAIDERS RECEIVE BREAKOUT PERFORMANCES IN 2-0 START

•Danny Shaban (Jr., RB) rushed for a career-high 214 yards and two touchdowns on 28 carries to lead the Raiders to a 24-14 season-opening victory at Fordham in Week Zero. Shaban was the first Colgate rusher to top 200 yards in a single game since QB Gavin McCarney (288) and RB Jordan McCord (203) both eclipsed the mark in 2012. Shaban is third in the FCS in rushing yards per game (154.0).

•Matt Fogler (So., WR), the 2025 Patriot League Rookie of the Year, caught six passes for career highs of 153 yards and three touchdowns in a 25-10 win vs. Holy Cross. Fogler is 15th in the FCS with 99.0 yards per game.

LIPINSKI TURNING INTO A WEAPON FOR THE TRIBE

William & Mary's Max Lipinski, a two-time Patriot League Special Teams Player of the Week, earned Stats Perform FCS National Special Teams Player of the Week for his performance in the Tribe's Week Zero win over Villanova. He booted a 45-yard field goal as time expired to complete a 10-point comeback in the final minute of the game, which also included a 40-yard field goal. His five made field goals broke a single-game program record. The junior placekicker went 3-for-4 in the Tribe's win over Delaware State, scoring 10 of their 22 points, including a career-long 51-yard field goal in the fourth quarter. Lipinski leads the FCS with 4.0 field goals per game.

THREE LEAGUE TEAMS AMONG FCS TAKEAWAY LEADERS

William & Mary leads the FCS in turnovers gained (10) and turnover margin (+4.00) after a six-takeaway game against Delaware State in Week Two. Two more League teams rank in the top five in the FCS in turnover margin, including Georgetown (+2.0) and Lafayette (+2.0). The Tribe also leads the FCS with six interceptions, with two more League teams ranking in the top 10, with Colgate and Lehigh tied for eighth with three interceptions apiece.

PATRIOT LEAGUE HISTORICAL SINGLE-GAME OFFENSIVE LEADERS

OFFENSE

PASSING: Joe Lee (TOW), 567 (vs. LEH, 10.30.99)

PASSES COMPLETED: Joe Lee (TOW), 47 (vs. LEH, 10.30.99)

TD PASSES: Jeff Wiley (HC vs. LEH, 9.26.87), Rob Curley (LAF vs. GATE, 11.7.09), 7

RUSHING: Chase Edmonds (FORD), 359 (vs. LAF, 10.8.16)

RUSHING ATTEMPTS: Erik Marsh (LAF), 46 (vs. LEH, 11.21.92)

TD RUSHES: 7 tied with 5; Last: C. Edmonds (FORD) (at LEH, 10.25.14)

RECEIVING: Fotis Kokosioulis (FORD), 320 (at Ohio, 9.24.22)

RECEPTIONS: Troy Pelletier (LEH), Treyhon Saunders (GATE), 16

TD RECEPTIONS: 12 tied with 4; Last Two: Sam Milligan (BUCK), at VMI, (9.13.25); J. Shorter (HC) (at Colgate, 10.5.24)

SCORING: Gordie Lockbaum (HC), 36 (vs. Dartmouth, 10.11.86)

POINTS RESPONSIBLE FOR: Rob Curley (LAF), 44 (vs. GATE, 11.7.09)

TDS RESPONSIBLE FOR: 3 tied 7; Last: R. Curley (LAF) (vs. GATE, 11.7.09)



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PATRIOT LEAGUE NOTEBOOK (WEEK TWO)

BYRD, PELTEKIAN MAKE BUCK BUCHANAN WATCH LIST

Richmond's Camden Byrd (Gr., DL) and Lehigh's Nick Peltekian (5th-year, DB) were named to the initial Buck Buchanan Award Watch List when Stats Perform issued the 30-member preseason watch list for the honor presented annually to recognize the FCS defensive player of the year. Byrd, the Preseason Patriot League Defensive Player of the Year, is the League's returning leader in TFLs (11.5), sacks (8.5) and forced fumbles (3). Peltekian, a two-time All-League selection, was limited to nine games last season due to injury, but recorded five tackles and an interception vs. Lafayette to help Lehigh clinch its second straight League crown.

Buck Buchanan Award Watch List Members

Name, School ('25 Stats) GP TKLS TFL-YDS Sacks

Camden Byrd, Richmond 12 34 11.5-83 8.5

Nick Peltekian, Lehigh 9 28 1.5-16 1.5

THREE EARN WALTER PAYTON WATCH LIST SPOTS

Lehigh's Yoder, Villanova's Ja'briel Mace (Jr., RB/RS) and Bucknell's Sam Milligan (Sr., WR) were among the 30 FCS student-athletes named to the preseason watch list for the Walter Payton Award, presented annually to the FCS offensive player of the year. Yoder, the reigning Patriot League Offensive Player of the Year, ranks among the leading active rushers in the FCS. Mace rushed for 946 yards and 11 TDs in addition to being named the CAA Special Teams Player of the Year after leading the FCS with 32.0 yards per kickoff return with two touchdowns. Milligan was ranked among the FCS leaders with 10 TD receptions last season.

Walter Payton Award Watch List Members

Name, School ('25 Stats) GP Att. Rush Yds. TDs YPC.

Luke Yoder, Lehigh 13 198 1,409 15 7.1

Ja'briel Mace, Villanova 15 128 946 11 7.4

Name, School ('25 Stats) GP Rec. Rec. Yds. TDs YPC.

Sam Milligan, Bucknell 12 56 975 10 17.4

EIGHT LEAGUE PLAYERS NAMED PRESEASON ALL-AMERICANS

Eight Patriot League football student-athletes were selected to one of the three 2026 Stats Perform FCS Preseason All-America teams. All 13 FCS conferences and 53 schools were represented among the 101 Preseason All-America selections. Mace was a Stats Perform First Team All-America honoree and Yoder was a Stats Perform Third Team All-America selection last season.

Preseason All-America First Team

Luke Yoder, Lehigh, Sr., RB; Ja'briel Mace, Villanova, Jr., RB/KR

Preseason All-America Second Team

Sam Milligan, Bucknell, Sr., WR; Aidan Palmer, Lehigh, 5th-year, OL; Camden Byrd, Richmond, Gr., DL; Carter Glassmyer, Richmond, Gr., LB

Preseason All-America Third Team

Cam Nolan, Holy Cross, 5th-year, OL; Nick Peltekian, Lehigh, Sr., DB

PATRIOT LEAGUE HISTORICAL SINGLE-GAME DEFENSIVE AND SPECIAL TEAMS LEADERS

DEFENSE

TACKLES: Ryan Greenhagen (FORD), 31 (vs. Nebraska, 9.4.21)

SACKS: Kevin Jefferson (LEH), 5.0 (W&M, 11.14.92)

SACK YARDS LOST: Alec May (GU), 37 (vs. LAF, 10.11.14)

TACKLES FOR LOSS: Robert De La Rosa (BUCK), 6.5 (vs. GU, 10.1.11)

INTERCEPTIONS: Kevin Eiben (BUCK), 4 (vs. Duquesne, 9.30.00)

INTERCEPTION YARDS: Davon Telp (TOW), 144 (vs. GU, 11.8.03)

PATRIOT LEAGUE WELCOMES TWO NEW HEAD COACHES

RICH NAGY ELEVATED TO LEHIGH HEAD FOOTBALL COACH

Lehigh announced the elevation of Richard Nagy, who will serve as head football coach. Nagy spent the last three years as Lehigh's defensive coordinator, where he led one of the top defensive units in the FCS.

BUCKNELL TABS JEFF BEHRMAN AS HEAD COACH

Bucknell selected Jeff Behrman as the 28th head football coach in program history. Behrman, a 30-year veteran in the college football coaching ranks, comes to Lewisburg from his alma mater, John Carroll, where he guided the Blue Streaks to a 29-7 record in his three seasons. Behrman was named the Division III Region 4 Coach of the Year in 2025 after his top-10 team finished 12-2, won the North Coast Athletic Conference title, and made a run to the NCAA semifinals.

LEHIGH'S POOLE NAMED TO FCS PUNTER OF THE YEAR LIST

Lehigh's Connor Poole (Jr., P) was one of 14 candidates selected to the Preseason Watch List for the 2026 FCS Punter of the Year Award, presented by The Augusta Sports Council. Poole earned First Team All-Patriot League honors in 2025 after averaging 42.1 yards per punt with a season-long punt of 57 yards and nine punts of 50 yards or more. He pinned 17 punts inside the opposing 20-yard line.

TWO NOMINATED FOR 2025 GOOD WORKS TEAM

Richmond's Carter Glassmyer and William & Mary's Davin Dzidzienyo are among the nominees for the 2026 AFCA All-state Good Works Team. Allstate and the AFCA announced 162 nominees for the honor, recognizing college football players and coaches for their commitment to community service and leadership beyond the gridiron. The 2026 All-state AFCA Good Works Team will be announced in September and will include 22 student-athletes and one honorary head coach. One student-athlete will also be selected as team captain and receive the Allstate Wuerffel Trophy.

A NEW ERA OF PATRIOT LEAGUE FOOTBALL: THE POWER OF 10

In July, the Patriot League unveiled its football-specific brand identity and slogan, "The Power of 10," marking the beginning of A New Era of Patriot League Football as the League enters the 2026 season with 10 football-playing institutions for the first time in its 41-year history.

• "The Power of 10" campaign reflects both the strength coming with expansion and the collective success that has long defined Patriot League football, creating one of the nation's premier FCS conferences.

• Collectively, the Patriot League's 10 football members have won two FCS national championships, advanced to 12 FCS national semifinals and reached the quarterfinal round 22 times, earning 42 FCS postseason wins.

PATRIOT LEAGUE HEAD COACHES

JEFF BEHRMAN, BUCKNELL

Year at Bucknell/Overall 1st/10th

Overall 71-29

at Bucknell 0-2

vs. Patriot League 0-2

CURT FITZPATRICK, COLGATE

Year at Colgate/Overall 2nd/13th

Overall 87-50

at Colgate 7-7

vs. Patriot League 5-4

JOE CONLIN, FORDHAM

Year at Fordham/Overall 9th/9th

Overall 32-54

at Fordham 32-54

vs. Patriot League 20-27

ROB SGARLATA, GEORGETOWN

Year at Georgetown/Overall 12th/12th

Overall 41-81

at Georgetown 41-81

vs. Patriot League 18-49

DAN CURRAN, HOLY CROSS

Year at Holy Cross/Overall 3rd/14th

Overall 62-75

at Holy Cross 9-17

vs. Patriot League 8-7

JOHN TROXELL, LAFAYETTE

Year at Lafayette/Overall 5th/20th

Overall 119-88

at Lafayette 27-21

vs. Patriot League 16-9

RICH NAGY, LEHIGH

Year at Lehigh/Overall 1st/5th

Overall 12-20

at Lehigh 2-0

vs. Patriot League 2-0

RUSS HUESMAN, RICHMOND

Year at Richmond/Overall 10th/18th

Overall 120-78

at Richmond 61-41

vs. Patriot League 4-4

MARK FERRANTE, VILLANOVA

Year at Villanova/Overall 10th/10th

Overall 70-37

at Villanova 70-37

vs. Patriot League 1-1

MIKE LONDON, WILLIAM & MARY

Year at W&M/Overall 8th/18th

Overall 107-92

at W&M 45-31

vs. Patriot League 2-0

PATRIOT LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

14 LEHIGH 1993, 1995, 1998, 1999c,

2000, 2001, 2004c, 2006c, 2010, 2011,

..... 2016, 2017c, 2024c, 2025

12 HOLY CROSS 1986, 1987, 1989

1990, 1991, 2009, 2019, 2020-21, 2021,

..... 2022, 2023c, 2024c

10 COLGATE 1997, 1999c, 2002c

2003, 2005c, 2008, 2012, 2015, 2017c,

..... 2018

8 LAFAYETTE 1988, 1992, 1994

..... 2004c, 2005c, 2006c, 2013, 2023c

3 FORDHAM 2002c, 2007, 2014

1 BUCKNELL 2002c, 2007, 1996

(C = Co-Champ)



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AFCA FCS COACHES POLL (9.6)

Rk	School (1st Place votes)	Rec.	Pts.
1	Montana St. (25)	2-0	648
2	Montana	2-0	591
3	South Dakota St. (1)	1-1	582
4	Illinois St.	2-0	575
5	Tarleton St.	2-0	551
6	UC Davis	2-0	519
7	North Dakota	2-0	448
8	LEHIGH	2-0	425
9	Stephen F. Austin	2-0	417
10	Youngstown St.	1-1	372
11	Tennessee Tech	2-0	357
12	South Dakota	2-0	352
13	Rhode Island	1-1	333
14	Mercer	2-0	316
15	Austin Peay	1-1	237
16	WILLIAM & MARY	2-0	216
17	Lamar	1-1	195
18	VILLANOVA	1-1	163
19	Yale	0-0	142
20	South Carolina St.	2-0	132
21	RICHMOND	2-0	130
22	West Florida	2-0	102
23	Northern Arizona	1-1	101
24	Idaho St.	2-0	75
25	Abilene Christian	0-2	71

Others Receiving Votes: Wofford, 53; Cal Poly, 44; Southern Illinois, 41; Prairie View A&M, 32; Elon, 31; COLGATE, 25; Campbell, 23; UT-Rio Grande Valley, 15; Alabama St., 13; Jackson St., 13; Robert Morris (Pa.), 13; UIW, 13; Harvard, 12; Furman, 10; Southern Utah, 10; UT Martin, 10; Southeast Missouri St., 8; Central Arkansas, 6; Chattanooga, 6; Portland St., 5; Western Carolina, 5; Dartmouth, 4; Monmouth (N.J.), 4; East Tennessee St., 1; Eastern Washington, 1; San Diego, 1; The Citadel, 1.

STATS PERFORM FCS TOP 25 POLL (9.6)

Rk	School	Rec.	Pts.
1	Montana State (57)	2-0	1425
2	South Dakota State	1-1	1303
3	Montana	2-0	1292
4	Tarleton State	2-0	1272
5	Illinois State	2-0	1209
6	North Dakota	2-0	1037
7	UC Davis	2-0	1007
8	Rhode Island	1-1	994
9	LEHIGH	2-0	941
10	Youngstown State	1-1	939
11	South Dakota	2-0	901
12	Tennessee Tech	2-0	836
13	Stephen F. Austin	2-0	806
14	Lamar	1-1	545
15	Austin Peay	1-1	540
16	WILLIAM & MARY	2-0	506
17	Idaho State	2-0	478
18	Mercer	2-0	417
19	Yale	0-0	383
20	West Florida	2-0	317
21	VILLANOVA	1-1	275
22	South Carolina State	2-0	270
23	Abilene Christian	0-2	196
24	Northern Arizona	1-1	160
25	Harvard	0-0	64

Others Receiving Votes: Alabama State (2-0), 55; Southern Utah (1-1, 0-1 Big Sky), 51; Campbell (2-0), 49; Cal Poly (2-0, 1-0 Big Sky), 46; Southern Illinois (1-1), 30; RICHMOND (2-0, 1-0 PATRIOT), 28; Houston Christian (1-1, 1-0 Southland), 24; Elon (2-0), 21; Jackson State (2-0), 21; Wofford (2-0), 19; Western Carolina (1-1), 15; Southeast Missouri (1-1), 14; UAlbany (1-1, 1-0 CAA), 13; UTRGV (1-1), 12; Prairie View A&M (1-1, 1-0 SWAC), 8; Monmouth (1-1, 1-0 CAA), 4; The Citadel (1-1, 0-1 Southern), 3

PATRIOT LEAGUE VS. NON-LEAGUE OPPONENTS

OVERALL NON-LEAGUE (2-2)

VS. FCS OPPONENTS (2-0)

AFCA OR STATS PERFORM TOP 25 (0-0)

ACC (Div. I FBS) (0-0)

Sept. 11

Richmond at NC State (7 p.m.)

Villanova at Louisville (7 p.m.)

Sept. 26

Bucknell at Pittsburgh (Noon)

William & Mary at Duke (3:30 p.m.)

CAA (0-0)

Sept. 26

Stony Brook at Fordham (1 p.m.)

DIV. I FBS INDEPENDENT (0-1)

Sept. 5

At UConn 56, Lafayette 7

IVY (0-0)

Sept. 19

Dartmouth at Lehigh (Noon)

Lafayette at Columbia (Noon)

Cornell at Colgate (Noon)

Yale at Holy Cross (Noon)

Penn at Bucknell (3 p.m.)

Sept. 26

Columbia at Georgetown (12:30 p.m.)

Lehigh at Penn (1 p.m.)

Oct. 3

Cornell at Georgetown (12:30 p.m.)

Colgate at Harvard (7 p.m.)

Oct. 17

Holy Cross at Harvard (1 p.m.)

Lehigh at Cornell (2 p.m.)

MAC (Div. I FBS) (0-0)

Sept. 12

Colgate at Central Michigan (1 p.m.)

Holy Cross at Miami University (1 p.m.)

MEAC (2-0)

Sept. 5

Richmond 28, at Howard 21

At William & Mary 22, Delaware State 15

Oct. 3

Morgan State at Villanova (1 p.m.)

Oct. 10

William & Mary at North Carolina Central (1 p.m.)

MOUNTAIN WEST (Div. I FBS) (0-1)

Sept. 5

At North Dakota State 38, Fordham 0

NEC (0-0)

Sept. 19

Villanova at LIU (Noon)

PIONEER (0-0)

Sept. 12

Marist at Lafayette (12:30 p.m.)

SOUTHERN (0-0)

Sept. 12

Bucknell at VMI (1:30 p.m.)

Sept. 26

Furman at Richmond (2 p.m.)

SUN BELT (Div. I FBS) (0-0)

Sept. 12

Fordham at Coastal Carolina (7:30 p.m.)



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2026 Patriot League Football Preseason Poll

1. Villanova, 79 points (7 first-place votes)
2. Lehigh, 75 (3)
- T3. Richmond, 57
- T3. William & Mary, 57
5. Lafayette, 55
6. Holy Cross, 38
7. Colgate, 36
- T8. Fordham, 19
- T8. Georgetown, 19
10. Bucknell, 15

2026 Preseason Offensive Player of the Year:

Luke Yoder, Lehigh, Sr., RB

2026 Preseason Defensive Player of the Year

Camden Byrd, Richmond, Gr., DL

FIRST TEAM ALL-PATRIOT LEAGUE OFFENSE (14)#

QB: Hayden Johnson, Lehigh, Jr.
RB: Luke Yoder, Lehigh, Sr.
RB: Aziz Foster-Powell, Richmond, Sr.
RB: Ja'briel Mace, Villanova, Jr.
WR: Sam Milligan, Bucknell, Sr.
WR: Winston Moore, Colgate, Sr.
WR: Carson Persing, Lafayette, Sr.
WR: Braden Reed, Villanova, So.
TE: Sean McElwain, William & Mary, Sr.
OL: Cam Nolan, Holy Cross, 5th-year
OL: Sean Wilson, Lafayette, Sr.
OL: Aidan Palmer, Lehigh, 5th-year
OL: Ronald Anderson, Richmond, Sr.
OL: Chris McCullers, Villanova, Jr.

DEFENSE (13)#

DL: Chigozie Oge-Evans, Georgetown, Sr.
DL: Camden Byrd, Richmond, Gr.
DL: Capri Martin, Villanova, Sr.
DL: Davin Dzdzienyo, William & Mary, Gr.
LB: Brandon Biagiarelli, Bucknell, Jr.
LB: Trooper Price, Colgate, Sr.
LB: Andrew Osmun, Fordham, Sr.
LB: Carter Glassmyer, Richmond, Gr.
LB: Omari Bursey, Villanova, So.
DB: Tymir Wynn, Colgate, Sr.
DB: Jordan Allen, Richmond, Gr.
DB: Tayshaun Burney, Richmond, Jr.
DB: Bryce Barnes, William & Mary, Sr.

SPECIAL TEAMS (5)

K PK: Luke Vogeler, Colgate, Sr.
P: Connor Poole, Lehigh, Jr.
RS: Ja'briel Mace, Villanova, Jr.
LS: Mike Doctor, Fordham, Sr.
STNS: Stephon Hicks, William & Mary, Jr.

Additional player selected due to ties in the voting

2026 PATRIOT LEAGUE FOOTBALL PRESEASON HONORS

BETHLEHEM, Pa. – Reigning Patriot League Football Offensive Player of the Year Luke Yoder (Sr., RB) of Lehigh and Richmond's Camden Byrd (Gr., DL) were selected as the 2026 Patriot League Football Preseason Offensive and Defensive Players of the Year, respectively. Villanova earned the top spot in the 2026 preseason poll as the League announced honors during the 2026 Patriot League Preseason Football Show on ESPN+.

Yoder and Byrd highlight the 31-member Preseason All-Patriot League Team. The preseason favorite Wildcats earned a League-high seven spots on the preseason squad, with Ja'briel Mace (Jr., RB/RS) collecting two at running back and return specialist. Richmond received six preseason All-League selections, while the two-time defending League champion Mountain Hawks had five representatives. Colgate and William & Mary each had four selections, with Bucknell, Fordham and Lafayette each placing two student-athletes on the preseason team. Georgetown and Holy Cross had one preseason honoree apiece.

2026 PRESEASON PATRIOT LEAGUE OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

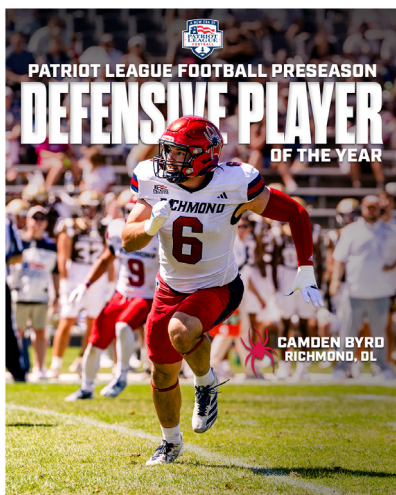
LUKE YODER, LEHIGH, SR., RB, PALM HARBOR, FLA./EAST LAKE

2025 STATISTICS: 13 GP, 198 CARRIES, 1,425 RUSHING YARDS (108.4 YPG), 7.10 YARDS PER CARRY, 15 TDS

*Yoder, a two-time All-Patriot League selection and 2025 Patriot League Offensive Player of the Year, ranked among the League and FCS leaders in rushing yards (1,409), rushing touchdowns (15) and rushing yards per carry (7.1).

*He helped the Mountain Hawks' finish among the FCS top-12 in rushing offense in each of the last two seasons on their way to two straight League titles.

*The Palm Harbor, Fla., native earned Patriot League and Stats Perform National FCS Offensive Player of the Week after rushing for a career-high 234 yards and four touchdowns against Lafayette to clinch the League title and a berth in the FCS Playoffs.



2026 PRESEASON PATRIOT LEAGUE FOOTBALL DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

CAMDEN BYRD, RICHMOND, GR., DL, ASHLAND, VA./PATRICK HENRY

2025 STATISTICS: 12 GP, 34 TOTAL TACKLES 18 SOLO, 11.5 TFLS OF 83 YARDS, 8.5 SACKS, 3 FF, 6 QBH

*Byrd is the Patriot League's returning leader in tackles for loss (11.5), sacks (8.5) and forced fumbles (3). His 83 tackles for loss yards ranked second in the League last season.

*The Ashland, Va., native helped the Spiders rank second in the League in total defense (290.8) and scoring defense (22.7) last season.

*He earned Second Team All-Patriot League honors last season after being selected Second Team All-CAA in 2024.

2026 PRESEASON ALL-PATRIOT LEAGUE FOOTBALL BY THE NUMBERS

Fifteen of the 2026 Preseason All-Patriot League Football Team selections earned All-Patriot League honors at the conclusion of the 2025 season, including seven first-team honorees. Lehigh's Yoder and teammates Hayden Johnson (Jr., QB), Aidan Palmer (5th, OL) and Holy Cross' Cam Nolan (5th, OL) return from the offense. Richmond's Jordan Allen (Gr., DB) is back from last season's first-team defense and Bucknell's Sam Milligan (Sr., STNS) and Lehigh's Connor Poole (Jr., P) are back from the first-team special teams unit. Milligan made the first team as a special-teams non-specialist. Nine preseason selections earned second-team honors in 2025, including Bucknell's Milligan (Sr., WR), Lafayette's Sean Wilson (Sr., OL) and Richmond's Aziz Foster-Powell (Sr., RB) on offense. On defense, Richmond's Byrd, Tayshaun Burney (Jr., DB) and Carter Glassmyer (Gr., LB), Colgate's Tymir Wynn (Sr., DB) and Georgetown's Chigozie Oge-Evans (Sr., DL) return. Colgate's Luke Vogeler (Sr., PK) also earned second-team honors last season. Four more preseason selections earned All-CAA honors last season, including Mace, the 2025 CAA Special Teams Player of the Year. Villanova's Braden Reed (So., WR) earned Third Team All-CAA honors. William & Mary's Stephon Hicks (Jr., LB) earned first-team special teams in the CAA after leading the FCS with four blocked kicks. The Tribe's Sean McElwain (Sr., TE) was a Third Team All-CAA honoree.



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PATRIOT LEAGUE SINGLE-SEASON RECORDS

MOST RUSHING YARDS

2,326	1.	Jamaal Branch, Colgate (2003) *
1,875	2.	Jordan Scott, Colgate (2007)
1,871	3.	Nate Eachus, Colgate (2010)*
1,838	4.	Chase Edmonds, Fordham (2014)
1,816	5.	Kenny Gamble, Colgate (1986)
1,799	6.	Chase Edmonds, Fordham (2016)
1,708	7.	Jordan McCord, Colgate (2012)
1,648	8.	Chase Edmonds, Fordham (2014)
1,596	9.	Carlton Koonce, Fordham (2012)
1,536	10.	Rabih Abdullah, Lehigh (1995)

MOST RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

29	1.	Jamaal Branch, Colgate (2003)
23	2.	Chase Edmonds, Fordham (2014)
23	3.	Gavin McCarney, Colgate (2012)
23	2.	Jordan McCord, Colgate (2012)
23	2.	Ronald Jean, Lehigh (1999)
21	6.	Nate Eachus, Colgate (2010)
21	6.	Kenny Gamble, Colgate (1986)
20	8.	Chase Edmonds, Fordham (2015)
20	8.	Kente Edwards, Lafayette (2025)
20	8.	Jordan Scott, Colgate (2007)
20	8.	Kirwin Watson, Fordham (2003)

MOST PASSING YARDS

4,891	1.	Tim DeMorat, Fordham (2022)*
4,380	2.	Mike Nebrich, Fordham (2013)
4,378	3.	Chris Lum, Lehigh (2011)*
4,168	4.	Joe Lee, Towson (1999) *
3,886	5.	Brad Mayes, Lehigh (2017)
3,838	6.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2008)
3,776	7.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2009)
3,708	8.	John Skelton, Fordham (2009)
3,677	9.	Jeff Wiley, Holy Cross (1987)
3,604	10.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2007)

MOST PASSING YARDS PER GAME

407.58	1.	Tim DeMorat, Fordham (2022)*
378.91	2.	Joe Lee, Towson (1999) *
348.91	3.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2008) *
337.09	4.	John Skelton, Fordham (2009) *
336.92	5.	Mike Nebrich, Fordham (2013)
336.77	6.	Chris Lum, Lehigh (2011)
334.27	7.	Jeff Wiley, Holy Cross (1987)
327.64	8.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2007)
324.09	9.	Glenn Kempa, Lehigh (1991)
323.80	10.	Brad Mayes, Lehigh (2017)

MOST COMPLETIONS

358	1.	Chris Lum, Lehigh (2011)*
353	2.	Mike Nebrich, Fordham (2013)
340	3.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2008)
326	4.	Tim DeMorat, Fordham (2022)
322	5.	Joe Lee, Towson (1999)
310	6.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2009)
297	7.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2007)
292	8.	Brad Mayes, Lehigh (2017)
292	8.	Pierce Holley, Georgetown (2022)
286	10.	Peter Pujals, Holy Cross (2015)
286	10.	Glenn Kempa, Lehigh (1991)

MOST PASSING ATTEMPTS

577	1.	Joe Lee, Towson (1999)
543	2.	Chris Lum, Lehigh (2011)
520	3.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2008)
499	4.	Tim DeMorat, Fordham (2022)
485	5.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2009)
484	6.	Peter Pujals, Holy Cross (2015)
482	7.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2007)
480	8.	Mike Nebrich, Fordham (2013)
474	9.	Glenn Kempa, Lehigh (1991)
455	10.	Brad Mayes, Lehigh (2017)

MOST PASSING TOUCHDOWNS

56	1.	Tim DeMorat, Fordham (2022)
35	2.	Mike Nebrich, Fordham (2013)
34	3.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2009)
34	3.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2008)
34	3.	Jeff Wiley, Holy Cross (1987)
32	6.	Kevin Anderson (2015)
32	6.	Chris Lum, Lehigh (2011)
31	8.	Tim DeMorat, Fordham (2021)
31	8.	Glenn Kempa, Lehigh (1991)
31	8.	Brad Mayes, Lehigh (2017)

BEST COMPLETION PERCENTAGE

73.54	1.	Mike Nebrich, Fordham (2013)*
68.90	2.	Matt Bassuener, Georgetown (2006)
68.75	3.	Rob Curley, Lafayette (2009)
68.01	4.	Phil Stambaugh, Lehigh (1999)
67.00	5.	Brad Maurer, Lafayette (2004)
67.00	5.	Ralph Rucker IV, Bucknell (2024)
66.96	7.	Kevin Anderson, Fordham (2015)
66.77	8.	Ryan O'Neil, Lafayette (2010)
66.77	8.	Matt Bassuener, Georgetown (2007)
66.70	10.	Dean DeNobile, Lafayette (2023)

MOST TOTAL OFFENSE

4,939	1.	Tim DeMorat, Fordham (2022)*
4,893	2.	Mike Nebrich, Fordham (2013)
4,499	3.	Chris Lum, Lehigh (2011)*
4,256	4.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2009) *
4,031	5.	Joe Lee, Towson (1999)
3,917	6.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2008)
3,830	7.	John Skelton, Fordham (2009)
3,778	8.	Gavin McCarney, Colgate (2012)
3,741	9.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2007)
3,723	10.	Matthew Sluka, Holy Cross (2022)

MOST TOTAL OFFENSE PER GAME

411.6	1.	Tim DeMorat, Fordham (2022)*
376.4	2.	Mike Nebrich, Fordham (2013) *
366.5	3.	Joe Lee, Towson (1999)
356.1	4.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2008) *
354.8	5.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2009) *
348.2	6.	John Skelton, Fordham (2009)
346.1	7.	Chris Lum, Lehigh (2011)
340.1	8.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2007)
338.3	9.	Jeff Wiley, Holy Cross (1987)
330.8	10.	Todd Brunner, Lehigh (1989)

MOST TOUCHDOWNS RESPONSIBLE FOR

61	1.	Tim DeMorat, Fordham (2022)
44	2.	Mike Nebrich, Fordham (2013)
41	3.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2009)
38	4.	Gavin McCarney, Colgate (2012)
38	4.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2008)
37	6.	Matthew Sluka, Holy Cross (2022)
35	7.	Tim DeMorat, Fordham (2021)
35	7.	Chris Lum, Lehigh (2011)
34	9.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2007)
34	9.	Jeff Wiley, Holy Cross (1987)

MOST RECEIVING YARDS

1,646	1.	Sam Ajala, Fordham (2013)
1,614	2.	Ryan Spadola, Lehigh (2011)
1,439	3.	Javarus Dudley, Fordham (2003)
1,351	4.	Lee Kurfis, Lehigh (2013)
1,322	5.	Jamal White, Towson (1999)
1,318	6.	Dave Cecchini, Lehigh (1993)
1,312	7.	Fotis Kokosioulis, Fordham (2022)*
1,292	8.	Troy Pelletier, Lehigh (2016)
1,287	9.	Corey Hill, Colgate (1998)
1,282	10.	Jason Cristino, Lehigh (1992)

MOST RECEPTIONS

106	1.	Brendan Flaherty, Holy Cross (2015)
105	2.	Troy Pelletier, Lehigh (2017)
103	3.	Fotis Kokosioulis, Fordham (2022)
101	4.	Javarus Dudley, Fordham (2003)
100	5.	Joshua Tomas, Georgetown (2022)
99	6.	Lee Kurfis, Lehigh (2013)
96	7.	Ryan Spadola, Lehigh (2011)
96	8.	Troy Pelletier, Lehigh (2016)
93	9.	Sam Ajala, Fordham (2013)
92	10.	Jake Drwal, Lehigh (2011)

MOST RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS

15	1.	Dave Cecchini, Lehigh (1993)
15	1.	Jalen Coker, Holy Cross (2023)
14	3.	Fotis Kokosioulis, Fordham (2022)
14	3.	Gatlin Casey, Lehigh (2016)
14	3.	Sam Ajala, Fordham (2013)
14	3.	Brian Wetzel, Fordham (2013)
14	3.	Pat Simonds, Colgate (2009)
14	3.	Javarus Dudley, Fordham (2003)
13	9.	Dequene Carter, Fordham (2022)
13	9.	Fotis Kokosioulis, Fordham (2021)
13	9.	Robbie Cantelli, Fordham (2016)
13	9.	Jon Brock, Holy Cross (2008)
13	9.	Chris Summers, Holy Cross (1993)
13	9.	Horace Hamm, Lehigh (1991)
13	9.	Phillip Ng, Lafayette (1988)

MOST TACKLES

182	1.	Rob McGovern, Holy Cross (1988)
167	2.	Rob Milanette, Holy Cross (1993)
162	3.	Greg Manusky, Colgate (1986)
159	4.	James Conway, Fordham (2025)
159	4.	Robert McCabe, Georgetown (2012)
159	4.	Craig Callahan, Holy Cross (1990)
159	4.	David Streeter, Holy Cross (1995)
157	8.	Jerry McCabe, Holy Cross (1986)
155	9.	Jacob Dobbs, Holy Cross (2021)
153	10.	Ryan Hiles, Lafayette (1998)

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MOST PASSING YARDS

13,461	1.	Tim DeMorat, Fordham (2018-22)
13,455	2.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2006-09)
11,695	3.	Peter Pujals, Holy Cross (2013-17)
9,923	4.	John Skelton, Fordham (2006-09)
9,819	5.	Marko Glavic, Lafayette (2000-03)
9,669	6.	Phil Stambaugh, Lehigh (1996-99)
8,714	7.	Jeff Wiley, Holy Cross (1986-88)
8,603	8.	Tom Ciacco, Holy Cross (1988-91)
8,093	9.	Brad Mayes, Lehigh (2015-18)
8,084	10.	Mike Nebrich, Fordham (2012-14)
7,823	11.	Chris Lum, Lehigh (2008-11)
7,663	12.	Kevin Anderson, Fordham (2014-17)
7,467	13.	Nick Shafnisky, Lehigh (2013-16)
7,427	14.	Ryan Vena, Colgate (1996-99)
7,324	15.	Frank Baur, Lafayette (1987-89)

MOST PASSING ATTEMPTS

1,796	1.	Peter Pujals, Holy Cross (2013-17)
1,786	2.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2006-09)
1,685	3.	Tim DeMorat, Fordham (2018-22)
1,459	4.	Marko Glavic, Lafayette (2000-03)
1,363	5.	John Skelton, Fordham (2006-09)
1,284	6.	Phil Stambaugh, Lehigh (1996-99)
1,072	7.	Tom Ciacco, Holy Cross (1988-91)
1,051	8.	Jeff Wiley, Holy Cross (1986-88)
1,045	9.	Chris Lum, Lehigh (2008-11)
1,030	10.	Brad Mayes, Lehigh (2015-18)

MOST PASSING COMPLETIONS

1,160	1.	Tim DeMorat, Fordham (2018-22)
1,131	2.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2006-09)
1,071	3.	Peter Pujals, Holy Cross (2013-17)
820	4.	Marko Glavic, Lafayette (2000-03)
818	5.	Phil Stambaugh, Lehigh (1996-99)
802	6.	John Skelton, Fordham (2006-09)
658	7.	Tom Ciacco, Holy Cross (1988-91)
647	8.	Jeff Wiley, Holy Cross (1986-88)
639	9.	Chris Lum, Lehigh (2008-11)
637	10.	Mike Nebrich, Fordham (2012-14)

MOST PASSING TOUCHDOWNS

123	1.	Tim DeMorat, Fordham (2018-22)
117	2.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2006-09)
84	3.	Peter Pujals, Holy Cross (2013-17)
78	4.	Phil Stambaugh, Lehigh (1996-99)
73	5.	Kevin Anderson, Fordham (2014-17)
72	6.	Tom Ciacco, Holy Cross (1988-91)
69	7.	John Skelton, Fordham (2006-09)
66	8.	Mike Nebrich, Fordham (2012-14)
66	8.	Jeff Wiley, Holy Cross (1986-88)
62	10.	Marko Glavic, Lafayette (2000-03)

MOST TOUCHDOWNS RESPONSIBLE FOR

140	1.	Tim DeMorat, Fordham (2018-22)
133	2.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2006-09)
104	3.	Peter Pujals, Holy Cross (2013-17)
97	4.	Matthew Sluka, Holy Cross (2020-23)
94	5.	Ryan Vena, Colgate (1996-99)
87	6.	Tom Ciacco, Holy Cross (1988-91)
84	7.	Nick Shafnisky, Lehigh (2013-16)
83	8.	John Skelton, Fordham (2006-09)
81	9.	Phil Stambaugh, Lehigh (1996-99)
80	10.	Mike Nebrich, Fordham (2012-14)

MOST TOTAL OFFENSE

14,240	1.	Dominic Randolph, Holy Cross (2006-09)
13,487	2.	Peter Pujals, Holy Cross (2013-17)
13,332	3.	Tim DeMorat, Fordham (2018-22)
10,488	4.	John Skelton, Fordham (2006-09)
10,064	5.	Marko Glavic, Lafayette (2000-03)
9,500	6.	Matthew Sluka, Holy Cross (2020-23)
9,435	7.	Ryan Vena, Colgate (1996-99)
9,291	8.	Phil Stambaugh, Lehigh (1996-99)
9,078	9.	Nick Shafnisky, Lehigh (2013-16)
9,066	10.	Tom Ciacco, Holy Cross (1988-91)
8,929	11.	Jeff Wiley, Holy Cross (1986-88)
8,663	12.	Mike Nebrich, Fordham (2012-14)
8,465	13.	Gavin McCarney, Colgate (2010-13)
8,353	14.	Jake Melville, Colgate (2013-16)
8,289	15.	Kevin Anderson, Fordham (2014-17)

BEST COMPLETION PERCENTAGE

68.79	1.	Mike Nebrich, Fordham (2012-14)
67.62	2.	Matt Bassuener, Georgetown (2004-07)
65.52	3.	Ralph Rucker IV, Bucknell (2023-25)
65.50	4.	Ryan O'Neil, Lafayette (2008-11)
65.18	5.	Drew Reed, Lafayette (2013-16)
65.15	6.	Dean DeNobile, Lafayette (2023-25)
64.20	7.	Gavin McCarney, Colgate (2010-13)
63.84	8.	Rob Curley, Lafayette (2006-09)
63.71	9.	Phil Stambaugh, Lehigh (1996-99)
63.59	10.	Kevin Anderson, Fordham (2014-17)

MOST RUSHING YARDS

5,862	1.	Chase Edmonds, Fordham (2014-17)
5,621	2.	Jordan Scott, Colgate (2005-08)
4,834	3.	Erik Marsh, Lafayette (1991-94)
4,742	4.	Rich Lemon, Bucknell (1993-96)
4,617	5.	Kirwin Watson, Fordham (2000-03)
4,485	6.	Nate Eachus, Colgate (2008-11)
4,474	7.	Joe McCourt, Lafayette (2001-04)
4,324	8.	Dominick Bragalone, Lehigh (2015-18)
4,108	9.	Jamaal Branch, Colgate (2000-04)
3,696	10.	Rabih Abdullah, Lehigh (1994-97)

MOST RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

67	1.	Chase Edmonds, Fordham (2014-17)
57	2.	Jordan Scott, Colgate (2005-08)
53	3.	Nate Eachus, Colgate (2008-11)
50	4.	Joe McCourt, Lafayette (2001-04)
48	5.	Jamaal Branch, Colgate (2000-04)
48	5.	Kirwin Watson, Fordham (2000-03)
46	7.	Dominick Bragalone, Lehigh (2015-18)
44	8.	Jordan Fuller, Holy Cross (2021-24)
40	9.	Erick Torain, Lehigh (1987-90)
38	10.	Matthew Sluka, Holy Cross (2020-23)

MOST POINTS

444	1.	Chase Edmonds, Fordham (2014-17)
358	2.	Jordan Scott, Colgate (2005-08)
330	3.	Nate Eachus, Colgate (2008-11)
326	4.	Joe McCourt, Lafayette (2001-04)
323	5.	Derek Ng, Holy Cross (2018-22)
312	6.	Dominick Bragalone, Lehigh (2015-18)
306	7.	Erick Torain, Lehigh (1987-90)
300	8.	Kirwin Watson, Fordham (2000-03)
288	9.	Jamaal Branch, Colgate (2000-04)
283	10.	Michael Marando, Fordham (2011-14)

MOST ALL-PURPOSE YARDS

7,374	1.	Chase Edmonds, Fordham (2014-17)
7,121	2.	Javarus Dudley, Fordham (2000-03)
6,346	3.	Ross Scheuerman, Lafayette (2011-14)
6,153	4.	Jordan Scott, Colgate (2005-08)
6,047	5.	Joe McCourt, Lafayette (2001-04)
5,952	6.	Rich Lemon, Bucknell (1993-96)
5,783	7.	Erik Marsh, Lafayette (1991-94)
5,536	8.	A.J. Kizekai, Bucknell (2006-09)
5,370	9.	Ari Confesor, Holy Cross (2000-03)
5,244	10.	Brian Wetzel, Fordham (2011-14)

MOST RECEIVING YARDS

4,216	1.	Troy Pelletier, Lehigh (2014-17)
4,197	2.	Javarus Dudley, Fordham (2000-03)
3,870	3.	Brian Wetzel, Fordham (2011-14)
3,611	4.	Ryan Spadola, Lehigh (2009-12)
3,434	5.	Corey Hill, Colgate (1995-98)
3,349	6.	Luke Graham, Colgate (2001-04)
3,292	7.	Deron Braswell, Lehigh (1995-98)
3,156	8.	Jamal White, Towson (1998-02)
3,035	9.	Dequece Carter, Fordham (2019-22)
2,994	10.	Fotis Kokosioulis, Fordham (2019-22)

MOST RECEPTIONS

328	1.	Troy Pelletier, Lehigh (2014-17)
295	2.	Javarus Dudley, Fordham (2000-03)
286	3.	Brian Wetzel, Fordham (2011-14)
232	4.	Ryan Spadola, Lehigh (2009-2012)
230	5.	Treyvonn Saunders, Colgate (2022-25)
229	6.	Geoffrey Jamiel, Lehigh (2022-25)
229	6.	Fotis Kokosioulis, Fordham (2019-22)
228	8.	Joshua Tomas, Georgetown (2018-22)
219	9.	Jamal White, Towson (1998-02)
217	10.	Luke Graham, Colgate (2001-04)
217	10.	Deron Braswell, Lehigh (1995-98)

MOST RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS

37	1.	Troy Pelletier, Lehigh (2014-17)
35	2.	Fotis Kokosioulis, Fordham (2019-22)
34	3.	Corey Hill, Colgate (1995-98)
34	3.	Javarus Dudley, Fordham (2000-03)
32	5.	Brian Wetzel, Fordham (2011-14)
31	6.	Dequece Carter, Fordham (2019-22)
31	6.	Jalen Coker, Holy Cross (2020-23)
30	8.	Gatlin Casey, Lehigh (2015-17)
28	9.	Pat Simonds, Colgate (2006-09)
28	9.	Deron Braswell, Lehigh (1995-98)
28	9.	Gerry McDermott, Fordham (1996-99)

MOST TACKLES

595	1.	James Conway, Fordham (2021-25)*
432	2.	Jacob Dobbs, Holy Cross (2019-23)
425	3.	Ryan Greenhagen, Fordham (2018-22)
425	3.	Lee Picariello, Lehigh (1988-91)
425	3.	David Streeter, Holy Cross (1993-96)
420	6.	Rob McGovern, Holy Cross (1986-88)
408	7.	Dan Bengele, Lafayette (1994-97)
407	8.	Robert McCabe, Georgetown (2009-2012)
407	8.	Rob Milanette, Holy Cross (1991-93)
388	10.	Kevin McManus, Lafayette (1989-91)

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BUCKNELL BISON (0-2, 0-2 PL)

Date	Opponent (Coverage)	Time
Aug. 29	at Richmond* (ESPN+)	L, 35-14
Sept. 5	VILLANOVA* (ESPN+)	L, 17-16
Sept. 12	at VMI (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
Sept. 19	UPENN (ESPN+)	3 p.m.
Sept. 26	at Pittsburgh (ESPN+)	Noon
Oct. 10	at Georgetown* (ESPN+)	12:30 p.m.
Oct. 17	LAFAYETTE* (ESPN+)	3 p.m.
Oct. 24	at Holy Cross* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Oct. 31	at Lehigh* (ESPN+)	Noon
Nov. 7	FORDHAM* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Nov. 14	at William & Mary* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Nov. 21	COLGATE* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.

COLGATE RAIDERS (2-0, 2-0 PL)

Date	Opponent (Coverage)	Time
Aug. 28	at Fordham* (ESPN+)	W, 24-14
Sept. 5	HOLY CROSS* (ESPN+)	W, 35-10
Sept. 12	at Central Michigan (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Sept. 19	CORNELL (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Sept. 26	at Villanova* (ESPN+)	2:30 p.m.
Oct. 3	at Harvard (ESPN+)	7 p.m.
Oct. 17	GEORGETOWN* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Oct. 24	at Richmond* (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
Oct. 31	WILLIAM & MARY* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Nov. 7	at Lehigh* (ESPN+)	Noon
Nov. 14	LAFAYETTE* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Nov. 21	at Bucknell* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.

FORDHAM RAMS (0-2, 0-1 PL)

Date	Opponent (Coverage)	Time
Aug. 28	COLGATE* (ESPN+)	L, 24-14
Sept. 5	at North Dakota State (TheMW.com)	L, 38-0
Sept. 12	at Coastal Carolina (ESPN+)	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 19	at William & Mary* (ESPN+)	6 p.m.
Sept. 26	STONY BROOK (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Oct. 3	at Lehigh* (ESPN+)	Noon
Oct. 10	RICHMOND* (ESPN+)	3:30 p.m.
Oct. 17	VILLANOVA* (ESPN+)	3:30 p.m.
Oct. 24	LAFAYETTE* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Nov. 7	at Bucknell* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Nov. 14	GEORGETOWN* (ESPN+)	Noon
Nov. 21	at Holy Cross* (ESPN+)	Noon

GEORGETOWN HOYAS (0-1, 0-1 PL)

Date	Opponent (Coverage)	Time
Aug. 27	LAFAYETTE* (ESPN+)	No Contest
Sept. 5	LEHIGH* (ESPN+)	L, 45-14
Sept. 19	at Richmond* (ESPN+)	3:30 p.m.
Sept. 26	COLUMBIA (ESPN+)	12:30 p.m.
Oct. 3	CORNELL (ESPN+)	12:30 p.m.
Oct. 10	BUCKNELL* (ESPN+)	12:30 p.m.
Oct. 17	at Colgate* (ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 24	at William & Mary* (ESPN+)	3:30 p.m.
Nov. 7	HOLY CROSS* (ESPN+)	12:30 p.m.
Nov. 14	at Fordham* (ESPN+)	Noon
Nov. 21	at Villanova* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.

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HOLY CROSS CRUSADERS (0-2, 0-2 PL)

Date	Opponent (Coverage)	Results/Time
Aug. 29	LEHIGH* (ESPN+/Spectrum News 1)	L, 35-10
Sept. 5	at Colgate* (ESPN+)	L, 35-10
Sept. 12	at Miami (Ohio) (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Sept. 19	YALE (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
Sept. 26	at Lafayette* (ESPN+)	12:30 p.m.
Oct. 3	at William & Mary* (ESPN+)	3:30 p.m.
Oct. 17	at Harvard (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Oct. 24	BUCKNELL* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Oct. 31	RICHMOND* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Nov. 7	at Georgetown* (ESPN+)	12:30 p.m.
Nov. 14	VILLANOVA* (ESPN+)	Noon
Nov. 21	FORDHAM* (ESPN+)	Noon

LAFAYETTE LEOPARDS (0-1, 0-0 PL)

Date	Opponent (Coverage)	Results/Time
Aug. 27	at Georgetown* (ESPN+)	No Contest
Sept. 5	at UCONN (UCONN+)	L, 56-7
Sept. 12	MARIST (ESPN+)	12:30 p.m.
Sept. 19	at Columbia (ESPN+)	Noon
Sept. 26	HOLY CROSS* (ESPN+)	12:30 p.m.
Oct. 3	RICHMOND* (ESPN+)	12:30 p.m.
Oct. 17	at Bucknell* (ESPN+)	3 p.m.
Oct. 24	at Fordham* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Oct. 31	VILLANOVA* (ESPN+)	12:30 p.m.
Nov. 7	at William & Mary* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Nov. 14	at Colgate* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Nov. 21	LEHIGH* (ESPN+)	12:30 p.m.

LEHIGH MOUNTAIN HAWKS (2-0, 2-0 PL)

Date	Opponent (Coverage)	Results/Time
Aug. 29	at Holy Cross (ESPN+)	W, 35-10
Sept. 5	at Georgetown* (ESPN+)	W, 45-14
Sept. 12	WILLIAM & MARY* (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
Sept. 19	DARTMOUTH (ESPN+)	Noon
Sept. 26	at Penn (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Oct. 3	FORDHAM (ESPN+)	12 p.m.
Oct. 17	at Cornell (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
Oct. 24	at Villanova (ESPN+)	3:30 p.m.
Oct. 31	BUCKNELL* (ESPN+)	Noon
Nov. 7	COLGATE* (ESPN+)	Noon
Nov. 14	at Richmond* (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
Nov. 21	at Lafayette* (ESPN+)	2 p.m.

RICHMOND SPIDERS (2-0, 1-0 PL)

Date	Opponent (Coverage)	Results/Time
Aug. 29	BUCKNELL (ESPN+)	W, 35-14
Sept. 5	at Howard (MEAC Network)	W, 28-21
Sept. 11	at NC State (ESPNU)	7 p.m.
Sept. 19	GEORGETOWN (ESPN+)	3:30 p.m.
Sept. 26	FURMAN (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
Oct. 3	at Lafayette* (ESPN+)	12:30 p.m.
Oct. 10	at Fordham* (ESPN+)	3:30 p.m.
Oct. 24	COLGATE* (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
Oct. 31	at Holy Cross* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Nov. 7	at Villanova* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Nov. 14	LEHIGH* (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
Nov. 21	WILLIAM & MARY* (ESPN+)	Noon

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VILLANOVA WILDCATS (1-1, 1-1 PL)

Date **Opponent (Coverage)**..... **Results/Time**

Aug. 28	WILLIAM & MARY* (ESPN+)	L, 35-32
Sept. 5	at Bucknell* (ESPN+)	W, 17-16
Sept. 11	at Louisville (ACC Network Extra)	7 p.m.
Sept. 19	at LIU (NEC Front Row)	Noon
Sept. 26	COLGATE* (ESPN+)	2:30 p.m.
Oct. 3	MORGAN STATE (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Oct. 17	at Fordham* (ESPN+)	3:30 p.m.
Oct. 24	LEHIGH* (ESPN+)	3:30 p.m.
Oct. 31	at Lafayette* (ESPN+)	12:30 p.m.
Nov. 7	RICHMOND* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Nov. 14	at Holy Cross* (ESPN+)	Noon
Nov. 21	GEORGETOWN* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.

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Date **Opponent (Coverage)**..... **Results/Time**

Aug. 28	at VILLANOVA* (ESPN+)	W, 35-32
Sept. 5	DELAWARE STATE (ESPN+)	W, 22-15
Sept. 12	at Lehigh* (ESPN+)	2 p.m.
Sept. 19	FORDHAM* (ESPN+)	6 p.m.
Sept. 26	at Duke (ACCNX)	3:30 p.m.
Oct. 3	HOLY CROSS* (ESPN+)	3:30 p.m.
Oct. 10	at North Carolina Central	1 p.m.
Oct. 24	GEORGETOWN* (ESPN+)	3:30 p.m.
Oct. 31	at Colgate* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Nov. 7	LAFAYETTE* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Nov. 14	BUCKNELL* (ESPN+)	1 p.m.
Nov. 21	at Richmond* (ESPN+)	Noon

All times ET | **BOLD** denotes home game | * denote Patriot League game

PATRIOT LEAGUE FOOTBALL TIEBREAKER INFORMATION

- If a tie exists, the higher seed will go to the team that won the most head-to-head League contest(s) played against the other team(s) involved in the tie.
- If a tie still exists, a comparison of League records will be made between the tied institutions starting at the highest seed and continuing through the lowest seed, if necessary.
- If a tie still exists, a comparison of records against common out-of-league opponents will be made.
- If a tie still exists, a comparison of rank according to the FCS Committee Metric will be made.
- If a tie still exists, a committee consisting of the athletics directors of each of the institutions not involved in the tie will make a final decision. The committee should consider various factors, including, but not limited to, the following examples. Note: the criteria are listed in no particular order:
 - Strength of schedule
 - Overall record
 - Computer rankings
 - Performance during the second half of the seasonThe committee will meet immediately following the release of the FCS Committee Metric should a tie still exist. A majority vote of the committee is required to determine the champion.

Note: In the case of a multiple-team tiebreaker (more than two teams), the process will revert to the beginning of the tiebreaker formula once the tie has been reduced to two teams.

Today's Scholar-Athletes, Tomorrow's Leaders

The Patriot League continually demonstrates that student-athletes can excel at both academics and athletics without sacrificing its high standards. The Patriot League's athletic success is achieved while its member institutions remain committed to its founding principle of admitting and graduating student-athletes that are academically representative of their class. Participation in athletics at Patriot League institutions is viewed as an important component of a well rounded education.



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2026-27 PATRIOT LEAGUE ATHLETICS & ACADEMIC SUCCESS

Now in its fourth decade as an all-sport conference combining academic and athletic excellence, the Patriot League sponsors championships in 24 men's and women's sports. Beginning as an NCAA Division I-AA football conference in 1986, the Patriot League became an all-sport conference in 1990 and now includes American, Army West Point, Boston University, Bucknell, Colgate, Holy Cross, Lafayette, Lehigh, Loyola Maryland and Navy as full members. Fordham, Georgetown, MIT, Richmond, Villanova and William & Mary are associate members. These institutions are among the oldest and most prestigious in the nation, while their alumni continue to play leadership roles in shaping our country.

The Patriot League's mission is simple: to provide successful competitive athletic experiences while maintaining high academic standards and preparing its student-athletes to be leaders in society. During the 2025-26 academic year, Patriot League student-athletes and teams accomplished the following:

*The League's 94 percent graduation success rate (GSR) is the third-best mark in the nation, finishing in the top three each year since the rating was released in 2013. All 10 member schools registered totals of 91 percent or higher, exceeding the record-high national GSR of 90 percent. In addition, the League's 83 percent Federal Graduation Rate (FGR) is the national leader for the 13th consecutive year.

*The Patriot League ranks among the leaders of the 32 NCAA Division I conferences in Academic Progress Rate (APR) (1994), eligibility (1996) and retention trends (1993) by conference. In the latest data release by the NCAA, the League stands second in APR, retention trends and eligibility trends by conference. The League had 165 of its 194 teams score at or above the national average multi-year APR of 986. Eighty-six squads earned a perfect score of 1,000.

*Seven student-athletes earned College Sports Communicators (CSC) Academic All-America recognition, including first-team accolades for Navy's Andrew Schug (Men's Soccer) and Justin Mumford (Men's Track & Field/Cross Country). Second-team honorees include Army West Point's Jordan Follenweider (Women's Soccer) and Charlotte Richman (Women's Track and Field/Cross Country), Bucknell's David Krumov (Men's Soccer) and Navy's Zach Hayashi (At-Large, Men's Lacrosse). Bucknell's Wade Shomper (Men's Track & Field/Cross Country) received third-team accolades.

*A record 4,152 student-athletes named to the Patriot League Academic Honor Roll in 2025-26. The total marked the second year the League has topped 4,000 honorees and a 105-member improvement from the 2024-25 academic year.

*Navy's Justin Mumford (Men's Cross Country/Track and Field) and Boston University's Kasey Ricard (Softball) were named the Patriot League Men's and Women's Scholar-Athlete of the Year honorees, respectively.

*Bucknell's Freddie Lapworth (Men's Soccer) and Navy's Maren Louridas (Women's Basketball) received the 2025-26 Patriot League Award of Outstanding Leadership and Character, recognizing their shared excellence in leadership and service.

*Colgate's Hunter Drouin (Men's Lacrosse) and Holy Cross' Anna Brait (Softball) were named the League's 2025-26 Sportsmanship Award winners for demonstrating fairness, equality and excellence in academics and athletics.

*Navy captured the Patriot League Presidents' Cup following the 2025-26 academic year. The Midshipmen led the men's standings, while Army West Point finished atop the women's standings and second overall. It marked the 11th time in 12 seasons that Navy won the Presidents' Cup.

*Twenty-five Patriot League graduates have participated in the Victory Scholarship program, through the Sport Changes Life Foundation (SCLF), allowing them to attend graduate school in Ireland or Northern Ireland. A pair of League basketball student-athletes - Colgate's Zach Light and Lafayette's Naomi Ganpo - were the most recent recipients (2022-23 academic year).

*Ten Patriot League football student-athletes were named to the 2025 FCS ADA Academic All-Star Team: Bucknell's John Ohnegan, Colgate's

Treyvyn Saunders, Fordham's James Conway, Georgetown's Jimmy Kibble and GianCarlo Rufo, Holy Cross' Cam Nolan, Lafayette's Ethan Hosak and Phillip Peiffer, Richmond's Carter Glassmeyer and Scott Hummel. Ohnegan was selected as one of 12 finalists for the 2025 FCS ADA Postgraduate Scholarship.

*Patriot League men's basketball featured two national awards recipients, including Navy's Austin Benigni, who was named the Lou Henson Mid-Major National Player of the Year, and Navy head coach Jon Perry, who received the Hugh Durham National Mid-Major Coach of the Year award, both from CollegeInsider.com.

*The Patriot League featured 47 All-America selections during the 2025-26 athletic year with first-team status for Army West Point's Sean Byrne (Men's Lacrosse), Johnny Crush (Men's Swimming & Diving), Brigid Duffy (Women's Lacrosse), Evan Plunkett (Men's Lacrosse) and Allison Reilly (Women's Lacrosse), Bucknell's Evelyn Bliss (Women's Outdoor Track & Field), Fordham's James Conway (Football), Lehigh's Tyler Ochowski (Football), Loyola Maryland's Mae Murphy (Women's Lacrosse) and Navy's Alyssa Chung (Women's Lacrosse).

*One Patriot League men's lacrosse student-athlete was selected in the 2026 Premier Lacrosse League (PLL) College Draft, with Army West Point's Evan Plunkett being selected by the Denver Outlaws with the fourth pick in the first round. One Patriot League women's lacrosse student-athlete was selected in the 2026 Women's Lacrosse League (WLL) College Draft, with Army West Point's Brigid Duffy being selected by the Maryland Charm with the third pick in the first round.

*12 Patriot League men's lacrosse student-athletes were on PLL rosters during the 2026 season, including Army West Point's Sean Byrne (Philadelphia Waterdogs), Jackson Eicher (Carolina Chaos), Christian Mazur (Maryland Whipsnakes) and Evan Plunkett (Denver Outlaws), Colgate's Hunter Drouin (New York Atlas), Holy Cross' Chris Conlin (California Redwoods), Lafayette's Nolan Byrne (Denver Outlaws), Lehigh's Richard Checo (Carolina Chaos) and Mike Sisselberger (Utah Archers), Loyola Maryland's Adam Poiras (Maryland Whipsnakes), Payton Rezanka (Maryland Whipsnakes) and Remi Reynolds (Boston Cannons).

*Six Patriot League women's lacrosse student-athletes were on WLL rosters during the inaugural 2026 season, including Army West Point's Brigid Duffy (Maryland Charm) and Allison Reilly (New York Chargers), Loyola Maryland's Sydnie Black (Maryland Charm), Chase Boyle (Loyola Maryland), Katie Dewitler (California Palms) and Livy Rosenzweig (Loyola Maryland).

*Army West Point's Evan Plunkett (Men's Lacrosse) was honored with the Lt. J.G. Donald MacLaughlin Jr. Award, which is given annually to the nation's most outstanding midfielder. Plunkett is the first student-athlete in Patriot League history to receive the award.

*Army West Point's Sean Byrne (Men's Lacrosse) received the Ensign C. Markland Kelly Jr. Award, which is given annually to the nation's most outstanding goalie. Byrne is the second student-athlete in Patriot League history to receive the award, joining Navy's Matt Russell (2004).

*Army West Point's Brigid Duffy (Women's Lacrosse) was selected as the Midfielder of the Year by the Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association (IWCA), marking the third time a Patriot League women's lacrosse student-athlete earned the award in the last four years, joining Loyola Maryland's Chase Boyle (2024) and Jillian Wilson (2023).

*Nine student-athletes from Patriot League football programs were on NFL rosters at the beginning of training camp season. Bucknell's Ethan Robinson (Miami Dolphins), Colgate's Max Hurlman (Pittsburgh Steelers) and Treyvyn Saunders (Houston Texans), Fordham's Nick Zakelj (San Francisco 49ers), Holy Cross's Liam Anderson (Cincinnati Bengals), Jalen Coker (Carolina Panthers), CJ Hanson (Kansas City Chiefs) and Kalif Raymond, and William & Mary's Charles Grant (Las Vegas Raiders).

*Five Patriot League baseball student-athletes have played on Major League Baseball (MLB) rosters during the 2026 season: Army West Point's Connely Early (Boston Red Sox/Washington Nationals), Lafayette's David Bednar (New York Yankees), who was selected as an MLB All-Star in 2022 and 2023, Bucknell's Sean Keys (Toronto Blue Jays), who made his

Big League debut in July, and Lehigh's Mason Black (Kansas City Royals) and Matt Svanson (St. Louis Cardinals).

*Three Patriot League men's basketball student-athletes played on NBA rosters during the 2025-26 season, including Lehigh's C.J. McCollum (Atlanta Hawks/Washington Wizards) and Loyola Maryland's Santi Aldama (Memphis Grizzlies) and Cam Spencer (Memphis Grizzlies). McCollum served as the President of the National Basketball Players Association (NBPA) from the 2021-22 season until July 2025. Aldama is a member of the NBPA Board of Directors. Former Bucknell men's basketball student-athlete Charles Lee enters his third season as the head coach of the Charlotte Hornets for the 2026-27 season.

*Five Patriot League soccer student-athletes are playing in the MLS or NWSL. American's Troy Elgersma (Los Angeles Galaxy), Army West Point's Zac McGraw (Portland Timbers) and Boston University's Francesco Montali (San Jose Earthquakes) are currently playing in the MLS. Boston University graduate Kylie Nadaner (Orlando Pride) and Loyola Maryland graduate Didi Haračić (San Diego Wave FC) are playing in the NWSL.

*Boston University women's rowing head coach Malcolm Doldron was honored as the Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association Mid-Atlantic Region Coach of the Year after leading the Terriers to their third straight Patriot League championship.

*Two Patriot League Men's Lacrosse programs finished the 2026 season ranked in Inside Lacrosse's KANE Men's Division I Top 20 Poll, including Army West Point at No. 13 and Loyola Maryland at No. 18.

*Two Patriot League men's lacrosse student-athletes, Army West Point's Jackson Eicher ('25) and Evan Plunkett ('26), were selected to the represent the United States at the inaugural Pan-American Men's Lacrosse Championship.

*Three Patriot League Women's Lacrosse programs, Army West Point, Loyola Maryland and League champion Navy received berths in the 2026 NCAA Women's Lacrosse Championship, marking the second straight season the League received three bids. All three were ranked in the final KANE DI Media Poll, with Navy (7th), Army West Point (13th) and Loyola Maryland (22nd) among the top 25.

*Patriot League women's lacrosse champion Navy earned the No. 6 seed in the 2026 NCAA Division I Women's Lacrosse Championship and advanced to the quarterfinal round. The Mids run marked the sixth time a Patriot League team has advanced to the quarterfinal round or further in the NCAA DI Women's Lacrosse Championship.

*Lehigh ranked No. 9 in the AFCA FCS Coaches Poll and No. 11 in the Stats Perform Top 25 after earning its second straight Patriot League crown. The Mountain Hawks fell to future League rival Villanova in the second round of the FCS Playoffs. Lafayette and Richmond both received votes in the FCS Coaches Poll.

*Bucknell's Amar Tahirovic peaked at No. 43 in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association's (ITA) men's singles rankings. Tahirovic and Brendan McDonald represented the Patriot League at the ITA Conference Masters in San Diego, Calif. and advanced to the semifinals before falling one win shy of an automatic berth in the NCAA Doubles Tournament. McDonald received the ITA Sportsmanship Award.

*Seven Patriot League individual student-athletes qualified for the NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships. Bucknell's Evelyn Bliss (Javelin) became the second Patriot League student-athlete to finish as the runner-up, earning First Team All-America honors. Army West Point's Nathan Davis (3,000-meter Steeplechase) was a Second Team All-American for the second straight year, while Bucknell's Wade Shomper (Shot Put) received Second Team All-American honors. Boston University's Owen Faulha (Javelin), Peace Omonzane (Long Jump) and Ellie Roan (Hammer Throw) as well as Navy's Brian Schloeder (Pole Vault) earned Honorable Mention All-America honors.

*Bucknell's Evelyn Bliss earned the silver medal at the 2026 Toyota USAITF Outdoor & Para National Championships.