



BUCCANEER

20 FOOTBALL 26



THE RUNDOWN		
RECORD	OVERALL:	3-3
	OVC	0-2
	NON-CONFERENCE	3-1
	HOME	2-1
	AWAY	1-2

THE SCHEDULE		
Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 27	at Lindenwood*	L, 17-20
Sep. 5	at Georgia Southern	L, 0-31
Sep. 12	at RV/RV The Citadel	W, 26-20 (20T)
Sep. 19	vs Point (GA)	W, 65-0
Oct. 3	vs Gardner-Webb*	L, 10-12
Oct. 10	vs #21/21 S.C. State	W 49-39
Oct. 17	at Clemson	TBA
Oct. 24	at Tennessee State*	3:30 p.m.
Oct. 31	vs Western Illinois*	2 p.m.
Nov. 7	at UT Martin*	2 p.m.
Nov. 14	at SEMO*	2 p.m.
Nov. 21	vs Eastern Illinois*	1 p.m.

*OVC Opponent // All times Eastern // Rank - AFCA/Stats

HOME TELECAST

VIDEO:

CSU PXP:

CSU ANALYST:

CSU SIDELINE:

CSU PRODUCER:

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GAME 7 | CLEMSON

October 17, 2026 * Clemson, S.C. * 12:00 p.m. EST * ACC Network



CHARLESTON SOUTHERN
OHIO VALLEY

2026 Record: 3-3/0-2

Head Coach: Gabe Giardina

Career: 50-45 (10th)

CSU: 13-28 (4th)





QUICK HITS

27.8	Points/Game	19.4
20.3	Points Allowed/Game	25.8
136.3	Rush Yards/Game	137.6
127.0	Rush Yards Allowed/Game	164.6
144.5	Pass Yards/Game	183.6
194.8	Pass Yards Allowed/Game	217.2
280.8	Total Offense/Game	321.2



CLEMSON
Atlantic Coast

2026 Record: 3-2/2-1

Head Coach: Dabo Swinney

Career: 190-55 (19th)

CLEM: Same

STATISTICAL LEADERS

#6 Lek Powell

48-of-93, 552 yards, 3 TD, 1 INT

PASSING

#5 Tait Reynolds

83-128, 816 yards, 1 TD, 3 INT

#0 Hakeem Watters

55 carries, 369 yards, 6 TD

RUSHING

#8 Gideon Davidson

66 carries, 371 yards, 4 TD

#3 Mekhi Campfield

15 catches, 198 yards, 4 TD

RECEIVING

#12 Bryant Wesco Jr

25 catches, 315 yards, 0 TD

#5 Steve Zayachkowsky

58 tackles, 3.5 TFL, 2.0 Sacks, 3 PBU

DEFENSE

#47 Sammy Brown

40 tackles, 2.0 TFL, 1.0 Sacks, 1 PBU

AT A GLANCE

KEY STORYLINES

>>NEW QB, NEW QUESTIONS

This week will mark the second game this season that has seen a different quarterback start under center for the Buccaneers. Lek Powell was benched after the GWU game allowing for Jared Echols to now take the job. Through fall camp, it was a close battle between the two with Powell earning the starting nod off his previous starting experience at Sheppard. Echols threw for three touchdowns in his first start

>>HELLO AGAIN TIGERS

These two teams met for the first time ever back in 2023. Charleston Southern gave Clemson an early scare taking a 14-7 lead in the first quarter as the Buccaneers had a pick six to take the early edge in the contest.

>>HISTORIC NONCONFERENCE

Following the Buccaneers victory over South Carolina State last Saturday, they clinched a winning nonconference record for the first time since 2015. CSU currently has a 3-1 record with wins over The Citadel, Point and South Carolina State/

SERIES INFORMATION

Overall: CSU Trails 0-1 | 2nd Meeting

Buccaneer Field: N/A

Away: 0-1

Neutral: N/A

First Meeting: Sept. 9, 2023: L, 17-66

Last Meeting: Sept. 9, 2023: L, 17-66

Streak: Clemson won only meeting

CSU Home Venue

Stadium: Buccaneer Field

Capacity: 4,000

Surface: Field Turf



12	MON	13	TUE	14	WED	15	THU	16	FRI	17	SAT	18	SUN
OFF DAY		Coach Giardina Media Availability - 11:30 a.m.		Practice - 3:40 p.m.		Practice - 3:40 p.m.				GAME DAY at Clemson - 12:00 P.M. EST CLEMSON, SC ACC Network		Off Day No Media Availability	
		Practice - 3:40 p.m.											

THE BASICS

Location (Founded)	Charleston, S.C. (1964)
Address	P.O. Box 118087, Charleston, S.C. 29423-8087
Conference	Big South
Affiliation	NCAA Division I (FCS)
Enrollment	4,000 +
Colors	Blue (PMS 295) and Gold (PMS 7503)
Nickname	Buccaneers
Mascot	"Bucky"
Band	"Pride of the Lowcountry"
President	Dr. B. Keith Faulkner
Faculty Representative	Dr. Todd Heldreth
Athletic Director	Jeff Barber
Deputy A.D. / Chief of Staff	Courtney Hall
Senior Associate A.D. (Academics)/SWA	Carrie Gomez
Associate A.D. (External)	Mike Vigue
Assistant A.D. (Communications/PR)	Michael Causey
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Assistant A.D. (Sport Performance)	Noel Durfey
Head Athletic Trainer	Scott Yurcisin
Athletic Department Phone	843-863-7678
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Ticket Office Phone	843-863-7670

FACILITY INFORMATION

Facility	Buccaneer Field
Capacity	4,000
Surface	Field Turf
Record at Buccaneer Field (Entering 2026)	87-86

HISTORY

First Year of Football	1991
All-Time Record (Entering 2026)	133-231
All-Time Conference Record (Entering 2026)	48-70
Conference Championships	3 (2015 Title Vacated)
	(2005 Co-Champions), (2016 Co-Champions)
Playoff Appearances	2015 (#8 national seed; reached FCS quarterfinals)
	2016 (FCS First Round)

TEAM INFORMATION

2025 Overall Record	5-7
Home/Away	3-2 / 2-5
Big South Conference/Finish	4-4 / 5th
Home/Away	2-2 / 2-2

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Gabe Giardina
Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks	Seth Strickland
Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers	Randall McCray
Wide Receivers/Recruiting Coordinator	Vince Giardina
Running Backs	Cameron Gardner
Offensive Line	Cedric Williams
Secondary/Safeties	Maurice Duncan
Secondary/Corners	Mike Edwards
Defensive Line	Antonio Rodriguez
Director of Football Operations	Braxton Chadwick
Graduate Assistant - Tight Ends	Cade Rowland
Graduate Assistant - Linebackers	Landry Horne
Graduate Assistant - Film/Operations	Hogan Miller
Graduate Assistant - Offensive Line	Thomas McNeil
Graduate Assistant - Linebackers	Mason Levasseur

MEDIA AVAILABILITY AND POLICY

WEEKLY GAME NOTES

Thank you for your coverage of CSU Football for the 2026 season. These game notes have been designed to provide local, regional and national media with useful information about the CSU football program, specific to this week's game. You can also find more information at csusports.com. Should you need additional information such as photographs, video or additional media guides, please contact the CSU Sports Information office.

CSUSPORTS.COM

Please visit csusports.com for press releases, updated player and coach bios, statistics, game notes, and schedules.

PRACTICES AND MEDIA AVAILABILITY

Members of the media will be invited to conduct interviews before and at the conclusion of practice. Please give at least 24 hours notice with special requests. (PLEASE NOTE THE CALENDAR ABOVE FOR MEDIA AVAILABILITY FOR THE WEEK.)

ATHLETIC STAFF INTERVIEWS

Interview requests for Athletic Director Jeff Barber or any other member of the athletic administration should be directed to Assistant A.D. for Communications, Michael Causey.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Football Twitter:	@CSU_FB
CSU Athletics Twitter:	@CSUSports
Football Instagram:	@CSU_FB
CSU Athletics Instagram:	@CSUBucs
Facebook:	@CSUSports
YouTube:	@CSUSports

POSTGAME MEDIA AVAILABILITY

Postgame interviews will be conducted on the second floor of the Whitfield Stadium Center at Buccaneer Field following all CSU home football games. Coach Giardina and select players will be available following the NCAA mandatory cooling off period. For road games, CSU will conduct interviews outside the locker room or in a location designated by the host school.

POLICY REMINDERS

Other than during the recognized interview time at practice sessions, press conferences and other organized media availability, interviews and information inquiries must be initiated and arranged through the Athletic Communications office prior to being conducted. Media members should not contact directly CSU players, coaches, support staff or other athletic department personnel for any reason. Some players may not be available at every practice depending on circumstances such as classes, exams or other obligations.

2026 CHARLESTON SOUTHERN FOOTBALL

NUMERICAL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	POS	CL	HT	WT	HOMETOWN / H.S. (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)
0	Hakeem Watters	RB	So.	5-7	175	Hartsville, S.C. / Hartsville HS
0	Josiah Wyatt	DL	R-Sr.	6-4	265	Buford, Ga. / Buford HS (Appalachian State)
1	Champ Brantley	S	Sr.	6-0	205	Forsyth, Ga. / Mary Persons HS
2	Kendrick Clark	CB	Gr.	5-10	175	Reevesville, S.C. / Woodland HS (Austin-Peay)
3	Mekhi Campfield	WR	Sr.	6-3	210	Columbia, S.C. / Lower Richland HS
3	Julius Walton	DL	R-Jr.	6-2	215	Carrollton, Ga. / Central HS
4	Jayden Hancock	CB	So.	6-0	175	Douglas, Ga. / Coffee HS
5	Steve Zayachkowsky	LB	Sr.	5-10	215	Indian Trail, N.C. / Porter Ridge HS
6	Avery Dixon	S	R-Sr.	6-2	195	Concord, Va. / Rustburg HS (Bryant)
6	Lek Powell	QB	Gr.	6-0	190	Carlisle, Pa. / Bishop McDevitt HS (Shepherd)
7	Jared Echols	QB	R-So.	6-2	195	Ellenwood, Ga. / South Gwinnett HS
7	Taivon Snipe	LB	R-Jr.	6-1	230	Charleston, S.C. / Charleston Charter M & S (Guilford)
8	Quay Kindell	WR	R-Jr.	5-9	185	Tampa, Fla. / Plant HS
8	CJ Landrum	DL	Jr.	6-2	265	Hendersonville, N.C. / Hendersonville HS
9	Anthony Carter	CB	Jr.	6-1	185	Valdosta, Ga. / Lowndes HS (Georgia Military)
10	Mylan Bowen	DL	Jr.	6-1	225	Orlando, Fla. / Edgewater HS
10	TJ Smith	WR	Jr.	6-0	180	Acworth, Ga. / North Cobb HS (Georgia Military)
11	Caden Clay	QB	R-Fr.	6-3	215	Valley, Ala. / Northside HS
11	Kiemond Emilien	S	R-Sr.	5-11	195	Spring, Texas / Westfield HS (Mississippi College)
12	Kason Hooks	S	Jr.	6-0	180	Leesburg, Ga. / Lee County HS (Army Prep)
13	Chandler Perry	S	R-Jr.	5-10	190	Irmo, S.C. / Dutch Fork HS
14	KD Dorsey	WR	R-Jr.	6-1	200	Hephzibah, Ga. / Evans HS (Georgia Southern)
15	Kordell Lewis	WR	Jr.	6-3	180	Lakeland, Fla. / Lake Gibson HS (Glenville State)
16	Dylan Mullins	S	R-Jr.	6-0	190	Fayetteville, Ga. / Eagle's Landing Christian (Liberty)
18	Joshua Modupe	LB	Jr.	6-2	230	Fernandina Beach, Fla. / Fernandina Beach HS (Benedict)
18	Brody Woolbright	QB	Fr.	6-0	160	Clover, S.C. / Clover HS
19	Anthony Paulk	CB	R-So.	5-11	185	Douglas, Ga. / Coffee HS
20	Sharode Richardson	RB	So.	5-10	190	Anderson, S.C. / Westside HS
22	Brandon Musch	RB	R-So.	5-10	205	Huntsville, Ala. / Westminster Christian Academy
22	Peyton Schrader	S	Fr.	5-11	175	Taylors, S.C. / Eastside HS
23	Tyson Greenwade	RB	R-Jr.	6-0	210	Dalton, Ga. / Dalton HS
24	Angel Miles	LB	R-So.	6-0	220	Dade City, Fla. / Pasco HS
25	Tristan Lennon	LB	So.	6-2	200	Zephyrhills, Fla. / Zephyrhills HS
26	Harry Smalls	RB	R-Fr.	5-10	205	Savannah, Ga. / Savannah Christian
27	Turner Davis	CB	R-Fr.	6-1	185	Acworth, Ga. / North Cobb Christian Academy
28	Dwayne Wright	RB	Gr.	6-0	225	Charleston, S.C. / Fort Dorchester HS (Newberry)
28	Jay Hagan	S	Fr.	6-0	190	Carrollton, Ga. / Carrollton HS
29	Owen Farrell	WR	R-Fr.	6-0	190	Charlotte, N.C. / Charlotte Christian School
29	Braylon Phillips	LB	So.	6-2	215	Bainbridge, Ga. / Bainbridge HS
30	Jaiden Coleman	LB	Fr.	6-0	210	Perry, Ga. / Perry HS
31	Devontae Roberts	CB	So.	5-11	170	Crawfordville, Fla. / Gadsden County HS
32	Damarcus O'Neal	S	Fr.	6-0	185	Columbus, Ga. / Columbus HS
32	Jayden Rattigan	RB	R-Fr.	5-8	175	St. Thomas, Jamaica / Gates Chili HS (Roberts Wesleyan)
33	Brandon McDonald	S	So.	6-0	185	Richmond Hill, Ga. / Richmond Hill HS
34	Joshua Singleton	CB	Fr.	6-2	165	Rock Hill, S.C. / Northwestern HS
35	Hunter Green	TE	R-Fr.	6-2	250	Cumming, Ga. / West Forsyth HS
36	Austin Brown	CB	So.	6-0	165	Powder Springs, Ga. / McEachern HS
37	Terrence Murrill Jr	WR	Fr.	6-0	170	Columbia, S.C. / Spring Valley HS
37	Baxter Pearce	P	Fr.	6-2	195	Sale, Victoria, Australia / Gippsland Grammar
38	Jamarian Pullum	CB	R-Fr.	6-2	200	Adairsville, Ga. / Adairsville HS
39	Jalen Brassell	S	R-Fr.	6-0	185	Atlanta, Ga. / Douglas County HS
39	Jay Morris	LS/TE	Fr.	6-7	220	Charleston, S.C. / James Island HS
40	Collin Bray	DL	Jr.	6-4	245	Auburn, Ga. / Placer HS
42	Nate Black	S	R-Fr.	6-2	190	Roswell, Ga. / Centennial HS

COACHING STAFF LOCATIONS

Sidelines

Head Coach	Gabe Giardina
Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks	Seth Strickland
Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers.....	Randall McCray
Running Backs	Cameron Gardner
Offensive Line.....	Cedric Williams
Secondary (Safeties).....	Maurice Duncan
Defensive Line.....	Antonio Rodriguez
Director of Football Operations/Special Teams.....	Braxton Chadwick
G.A. - Tight Ends	Cade Rowland
G.A. - Linebackers	Landry Horne
G.A. - Video Coordinator	Hogan Miller

Press Box

Wide Receivers.....	Vince Giardina
G.A. - Offensive Line	Thomas Lefler
Secondary (Corners)	Mike Edwards
G.A. - Linebackers	Mason Levasseur

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NO.	NAME	POS	CL	HT	WT	HOMETOWN / H.S. (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)
43	Mikell Mathis	LB	Fr.	6-2	190	Bluffton, S.C. / Patrick Henry Academy
44	Lucas Tankersley	LB	Fr.	6-1	225	Marietta, S.C. / Eastside HS
45	Ross Rambo	LS	R-So.	6-2	230	Savannah, Ga. / Calvary Day HS
46	Zach Gordon	K	Sr.	6-0	195	Lillington, N.C. / Rosewood HS (Western New Mexico)
47	Nehemiah Ackey	RB	Fr.	5-8	165	Douglasville, Ga. / Chapel Hill HS
47	Matt Rolader	K	R-So.	5-10	185	Auburn, Ala. / Lee-Scott Academy (Valdosta State)
48	Brayden Woolbright	S	R-So.	6-1	190	Colver, S.C. / Clover HS
49	Reid Montgomery	K/P	R-So.	6-3	185	Prattville, Ala. / Prattville HS
50	Christian Echols	OL	R-So.	6-5	290	Aiken, S.C. / Silver Bluff HS
51	Shannon Adkins	LB	Fr.	6-2	240	Dublin, Ga. / West Laurens HS
52	Josias Addison	DL	Gr.	6-1	245	Columbia, S.C. / Blythewood HS
53	Jordan Hatten	DL	Fr.	6-0	250	Quincy, Fla. / Lincoln HS
53	Isaac Smith	OL	R-Fr.	6-2	290	Savannah, Ga. / Jenkins HS
54	Cayden Ricks	DL	Fr.	6-2	285	Yulee, Fla. / Yulee HS
55	Cameron Washington	DL	Fr.	6-3	235	Jacksonville, Fla. / Raines HS
56	Jason Hertz	DL	R-Jr.	6-4	295	Indian Trail, N.C. / Porter Ridge HS (Appalachian State)
57	Jamie Williamson	DL	Fr.	6-3	300	Florence, S.C. / Silver Florence HS
58	Hudson Champion	LB	Fr.	6-0	220	West Palm Beach, Fla. / King's Academy
59	Elijah Gillespie	LB	R-So.	6-0	215	Galax, Va. / Grayson County HS
60	Chris Coleman	OL	Fr.	6-3	270	Rock Hill, S.C. / Northwestern HS
61	Ben Bobo	OL	Fr.	6-0	270	Simpsonville, S.C. / Southside Christian School
62	Ethan Hunt	OL	Gr.	6-4	300	Lamar, S.C. / Lamar HS
64	Dylan Richardson	OL	So.	6-0	280	Albany, Ga. / Lee County HS
65	Robert Stevens	OL	R-Fr.	6-0	285	Greenwood, S.C. / Greenwood HS
66	Quandre Brooks	OL	Fr.	6-3	290	Brandon, Fla. / Armwood HS
67	Josiah Mason	OL	Fr.	6-3	250	Florence, S.C. / South Florence HS
68	Robert Clark	OL	Sr.	6-1	285	Gluckstadt, Miss. / St. Joseph's HS (Peal River CC)
69	Alec Beck	OL	Fr.	6-1	290	North Augusta, S.C. / Fox Creek HS
70	Caleb Barnes	OL	Fr.	6-2	290	Jacksonville, Fla. / Bolles HS
71	Josiah Lancaster	OL	R-Sr.	6-6	335	Plant City, Fla. / Plant City HS
72	Santos Whitt Hernandez	OL	Fr.	6-0	305	Aiken, S.C. / South Aiken HS
73	Jackson Wolford	OL	Fr.	6-3	285	Alpharetta, Ga. / Denmark HS
74	Khavijae Nixon	OL	R-Fr.	6-4	290	Lincolnton, N.C. / Lincolnton HS
75	Justin Joe	OL	R-So.	6-1	310	Florence, S.C. / South Florence HS
76	Bryson Moore	OL	Fr.	6-3	315	Columbia, S.C. / Irmo HS
77	Brendan Rolle	OL	So.	6-7	295	Powder Springs, Ga. / McEachern HS (Clark Atlanta)
78	Parker McClendon	OL	R-So.	6-2	315	Powder Springs, Ga. / McEachern HS
79	Aaron Watkins	OL	Jr.	6-3	280	Reseda, Calif. / Hamilton HS (College of the Canyons)
80	Frank Jackson	WR	Fr.	6-4	180	Atlanta, Ga. / Jonesboro HS
81	Aiden Berrios	WR	R-Fr.	5-10	185	St. Stephen, S.C. / Timberland HS
82	Omari Woodward	WR	Fr.	6-5	180	Americus, Ga. / Sumter County HS
83	Maxwell Warren	WR	R-Jr.	6-1	185	West Haven, Conn. / Avon Old Farms (Holy Cross)
84	Hudson Morton	TE	R-Fr.	6-4	230	Suwanee, Ga. / North Gwinnett HS
85	Hasan Lee Jr	TE	R-So.	6-3	235	Lexington, S.C. / White Knoll HS
86	Jackson Moseley	TE	R-Jr.	6-3	235	Columbia, S.C. / A.C. Flora HS (Lenoir-Rhyne)
87	Kaden Strickland	TE	Gr.	6-5	260	St. Matthews, S.C. / Calhoun Academy
88	Kyle Patterson	WR	R-Fr.	6-2	195	Spartanburg, S.C. / Boiling Springs HS
89	Ryan Lawson	WR	R-Jr.	6-0	175	Melfa, Va. / Broadwater Academy (Emory and Henry)
90	Cleve Tellery II	DL	So.	6-0	290	Columbia, S.C. / Ridge View HS
91	Alvin Green	DL	Fr.	6-2	275	Homerville, Ga. / Clinch County HS
92	Michael Hill	K	Fr.	6-0	175	Clarksville, Ga. / North Cobb HS
93	Chancy Jordan	DL	So.	6-1	255	Tallahassee, Fla. / Lincoln HS
94	Shaun Hamilton	DL	R-Fr.	6-2	270	Savannah, Ga. / New Hampstead HS
95	Charles Atkins	DL	Sr.	6-3	245	Metairie, La. / East Jefferson HS (Pearl River CC)
96	Alvoid Kennon	DL	So.	6-0	275	Bradenton, Fla. / Manatee HS
97	Jonah Wilson	DL	Fr.	6-0	200	Bowden, Ga. / Bowden HS
98	Linton Basko	DL	Fr.	6-3	280	Locust Grove, Ga. / Strong Rock Christian Academy
98	Will Laing	K/P	R-Sr.	6-1	200	Harrisburg, N.C. / Hickory Ridge HS
99	GeTerius Brown	DL	Fr.	6-1	300	Jacksonville, Fla. / Raines HS

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

#3 Mekhi - MAH-keye (like eye)
#5 Zayachkowsky - ZAYE (like eye)-uh-cow-ski
#10 Bowen - BOW-en
#11 Kiemond - KEY-mond
#12 Kason - KAY-son
#18 Modupe - Ma-DOOP-aye
#19 Paulk - POLK
#22 Musch - Mush (like push)
#43 Mikell - Michael
#47 Rolader - Roll-UH-der (basically a silent 2x L)
#74 Khavijae - KAH-va-jay

COACHES

HC - Giardina - GAR-dean-ya
WR - Giardina - G-are-DEAN-ya (yes ... it's different)
GA - Horne - Horn - (E is silent)
GA - Levasseur - LUH - vas - er
AT - Yurcisin - Your-sis-en

BUCCANEER TWO-DEEP

BUCCANEER OFFENSE

Pos.	No.	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Note
WR	3	Mekhi Campfield	Sr.	6-3	210	Expected to be the top receiving option for CSU in 2026. Had 46 career catches in 32 games
	14	KD Dorsey	R-Jr.	6-1	200	Transferred in from Georgia Southern during the winter after limited time in three years there
WR	8	Quay Kindell	R-Jr.	5-9	185	Also in his fourth year with the Bucs and has seen time in 22 games to go with 25 catches
	83	Maxwell Warren	R-Jr.	6-1	185	Transferred in from Holy Cross ahead of the 2025 season, saw time in one game last fall
LT	66	Quandre Brooks	Fr.	6-3	290	First true freshman starter on the offensive line in the season opener in the Giardina era
	74	Khavijae Nixon	R-Fr.	6-4	290	Redshirted during the 2025 season and was a standout in his high school in Lincolnton, NC
LG	68	Robert Clark	Sr.	6-1	285	Transferred from Pearl River CC, started for the first half of the 2025 season at the position
	60	Chris Coleman	Fr.	6-3	270	Did not allow a sack during each of his final three seasons at Northwestern High School
C	75	Justin Joe	R-So.	6-1	310	Played and started in all 12 games as a reshirt freshman at center last fall
	65	Robert Stevens	R-Fr.	6-0	285	Redshirted during the 2025 season and is from nearby Greenwood, S.C.
RG	62	Ethan Hunt	Gr.	6-4	300	Has seen time in 32 career games and started in each of the past 24 contests for CSU at RG
	78	Parker McClendon	R-So.	6-2	315	Moved from center to guard during fall camp after serving as the backup center in 2025
RT	71	Josiah Lancaster	R-Sr.	6-6	335	Moved to guard in 2025, rotating in on a few possessions a game. Moved back to T for 2026
	77	Brendan Rolfe	So.	6-7	295	Transferred in from Clark Atlanta this offseason, named a 3rd-Team HBCU True Freshman All-American
TE	87	Kade Strickland	Gr.	6-5	260	Played on the OL in 2024 and moved back to TE in 2025 allowing him to be an elite run blocker
	35	Hunter Green	R-Fr.	6-2	250	Suffered a broken foot in his career debut in the season opener at Vanderbilt in 2025
WR	10	TJ Smith	Jr.	6-0	180	Spent the past two years at GMC where he had 11 touchdowns off 36 catches and over 650 yards
	15	Kordell Lewis	Jr.	6-3	180	Transferred in from Glenville State after two years there where he ahd 28 catches for 400 yards
QB	7	Jared Echols	R-So.	6-2	195	Currently in his third year with CSU, lost a narrow QB battle during fall camp, got starting role Monday
	11	Caden Clay	R-Fr.	6-3	215	Made his career debut earlier this season against Point after redshirting in 2025
RB	0	Hakeem Watters	So.	5-7	175	Started to receive bulk of carries following the game at The Citadel to emerge as the lead RB
	28	Dwayne Wright	Gr.	6-0	225	Spent his first four seasons at Newberry and from nearby Fort Dorchester High School

BUCCANEER DEFENSE

Pos.	No.	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Note
DE	0	Josiah Wyatt	R-Sr.	6-4	265	Played in all 12 games on the D-line for CSU, spent three years at App State playing in 18 games prior
	40	Collin Bray	Jr.	6-4	245	Transferred in from American River College after two years there playing in 18 games there
NT	56	Jason Hertz	R-Jr.	6-4	295	Played 6 started in all 12 games for CSU in '25, saw time in 12 games in 2 years at App State
	57	Jamie Williamson	Fr.	6-3	300	Forced a fumble early in the game against Gardner-Webb to help flip the game towards the Bucs
DE	8	CJ Landrum	Jr.	6-2	265	Played 6 started all 12 games for Bucs in 2025, saw time in eight games in his freshman year
	94	Shaun Hamilton	R-Fr.	6-2	270	Redshirted in 2025, moved up depth chart due to injury to Chancy Jordan earlier this season
OLB	10	Mylan Bowen	Jr.	6-1	225	Moving into starting role after being #2 in '24 and '25 behind 1st-Team All-Conference players
	18	Joshua Modupe	Jr.	6-2	230	Spent his first two years in college at Bendict appearing in 20 total games
ILB	25	Tristan Lennon	So.	6-2	200	Saw time in nine games as a true freshman in 2025 including a start vs SC State on 9/27
	7	Taivon Snipe	R-Jr.	6-1	230	Suffered an injury on the first snap of the season, missed time since then
ILB	5	Steve Zayachowsky	Sr.	5-10	215	Named Phil Steele OVC Preseason Defensive POTY & All-American by them 6 Stats Perform
	24	Angel Miles	R-So.	6-0	220	Missed the start of the season due to recovering from injury
OLB	33	Brandon McDonald	So.	6-0	185	Saw time in eight games as a true freshman at the position due to injuries to people above him then
	13	Chandler Perry	R-Jr.	5-10	190	Missed the 2025 season after suffering an injury in the second game of the season
CB	19	Anthony Paulk	R-So.	5-11	185	Teammate of Hancock in HS, won State Championship as a senior, '25 OVC Freshman DPOTY
	31	Devontae Roberts	So.	5-11	170	In his second year at CSU and has emerged into a contributing cole in the secondary this year
CB	2	Kendrick Clark	Gr.	5-10	175	Spent three years at North Greenville and last year at Austin Peay, redshirting the season
	4	Jayden Hancock	So.	6-0	175	Lead Coffee High School to a State Championships as a junior, started in six games in 2025
FS	1	Champ Brantley	Sr.	6-0	205	Seen time in 33 games in his 3 years at CSU including starts in all 10 games played in '25
	11	Kiemond Emilien	R-Sr.	5-11	195	Played in the first four games of the season before having a season-ending injury
SS	6	Avery Dixon	R-Sr.	6-2	195	Transferred in from Bryant and The Citadelahead of 2025, collected 35 tackles in 10 games last fall
	39	Jalen Brassell	R-Fr.	6-0	185	Redshirted 2025, did not play, starred at Douglas County HS leading them to state semis as a senior

BUCCANEER SPECIAL TEAMS

Pos.	No.	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Note
FG	47	Matt Rolader	R-So.	5-10	185	Named Conference Speical Teams POTW 3 times in 2025 at Valdosta State, went 9-11 on kicks
	49	Reid Montgomery	R-So.	6-3	185	Served as the primary place kicker for the majority of the 2024 season, backup at each position
P	37	Baxter Pearce	Fr.	6-2	195	From Australia, joined CSU ahead of the spring, grew up playing Australian Rules Football
	49	Reid Montgomery	R-So.	6-3	185	Served as the primary place kicker for the majority of the 2024 season, backup at each position
KOS	98	Will Laing	R-Sr.	6-1	200	Began serving as the KOS in 2024, has had three onside kick recoveries - '24 - GWU 6 FSU, '25 - SEMO
LS	45	Ross Rambo	R-So.	6-2	230	Snapped on field goals and PATs for all games in 2025 after redshirting in 2024
	39	Jay Morris	Fr.	6-7	220	Never recorded an arrant snap in his two years as the starting LS in high school
HO	11	Caden Clay	R-Fr.	6-3	215	Also serves as the team's backup quarterback, was a holder in high school, first game in role at CSU
KR	8	Quay Kindell	R-So.	5-9	185	Collected 15 career kickoff returns going for an average of 20.2 yards per return in his career
OR	22	Brandon Musch	R-Sr.	5-9	165	Recorded two kickoff returns in 2025 for a total of 14 yards off them
PR	8	Quay Kindell	R-So.	5-9	185	Has two career punt returns with them both coming in 2025 totaling 29 yards off them
OR	10	TJ Smith	R-Sr.	5-9	165	Has not recorded an official punt return in his collegiate career

Bold denotes 2026 Big South Preseason All-Conference selections as marked by Phil Steele
Italics denotes 2025 Big South Preseason All-Conference selection as marked by OVC/Big South Conference Coaches

2026 OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE STANDINGS					
Team	Big South	PCT	Overall	PCT	Streak
Western Illinois	1-0	1.000	3-3	0.500	W1
Southeast Missouri St	1-0	1.000	3-3	0.500	W1
Eastern Illinois	1-0	1.000	2-4	0.333	W1
UT Martin	1-0	1.000	2-4	0.333	W1
Gardner-Webb	1-1	0.500	2-5	0.289	L1
Lindenwood	1-1	0.500	1-4	0.200	L4
Charleston Southern	0-2	0.000	2-3	0.400	W2
Tennessee State	0-2	0.000	1-5	0.167	L2

OHIO VALLEY SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 17	TIME (CT)	WATCH
Charleston Southern at Clemson	11:00 a.m.	ACC Network
Lindenwood at Eastern Illinois	2:00 p.m.	ESPN+
Western Illinois at Southeast Missouri State	2:00 p.m.	ESPN+
Gardner-Webb at UT Martin	2:00 p.m.	ESPN+
Morgan State at Tennessee State	5:30 p.m.	ESPN+

FCS NATIONAL POLLS				
STATS PERFORM FCS TOP 25				
Rk	School	Votes	Rec.	PV
1	South Dakota State (52)	5-1	1420	1
2	Tarleton State (5)	6-0	1371	3
3	Stephen F. Austin	6-0	1202	7
4	Lehigh	6-0	1201	5
5	Montana State	5-1	1195	6
6	Youngstown State	5-2	1178	8
7	Montana	5-2	1052	2
8	Northern Arizona	5-2	1026	13
9	South Dakota	5-2	986	10
10	Lamar	5-1	890	11
11	North Dakota	5-2	800	4
12	Austin Peay	5-2	755	9
13	Illinois State	4-2	722	12
14	UC Davis	4-2	670	14
15	Tennessee Tech	5-1	644	15
16	Campbell	5-1	596	17
17	Harvard	4-0	529	18
18	Mercer	5-2	402	20
19	Northern Iowa	3-2	380	24
20	ETSU	5-2	312	24
21	Idaho State	4-2	253	16
22	Colgate	4-2	251	23
23	Monmouth	4-2	121	NR
24	Morgan State	5-1	116	NR
25	Yale	3-1	104	NR
Dropped Out: Richmond (19), South Carolina State (21), Jackson State (22), Southern Illinois (25)				
Others Receiving Points: Stony Brook: 102; Richmond: 68; Jackson St.: 39; S.C. State: 24; West Florida: 24; Cal Poly: 22; Southern Ill.: 17; Abilene Christian: 14; North Alabama: 10; Grambling St.: 8; Southeastern Louisiana: 6; Weber St.: 6; Princeton: 2				
FCS AFCA COACHES POLL				
Rk	School	Rec.	Votes	PV
1	South Dakota St. (23)	5-1	647	1
2	Tarleton St. (3)	6-0	626	2
3	Stephen F. Austin	6-0	588	4
4	Lehigh	6-0	558	5
5	Montana St.	5-1	539	6
6	Youngstown St.	5-2	517	9
7	Montana	5-2	461	3
8	Lamar	5-1	458	10
9	South Dakota	5-2	407	12
10	Northern Arizona	5-2	398	14
11	Austin Peay	5-2	397	8
12	UC Davis	4-2	396	11
13	Illinois St.	4-2	333	13
14	Tennessee Tech	5-1	319	16
15	North Dakota	5-2	293	7
16	Mercer	5-2	253	18
17	Harvard	4-0	242	19
18	Campbell	5-1	227	20
19	Colgate	4-2	153	23
20	Monmouth (N.J.)	4-2	125	24
21	Idaho St.	4-2	106	17
22	Richmond	5-2	96	15
23	Yale	3-1	61	NR
24	East Tennessee St.	5-2	49	NR
25	Northern Iowa	3-2	38	NR
Dropped Out: South Carolina St. (21), Jackson St. (22), Southeastern Louisiana (25)				
Others Receiving Votes: Jackson St., 32; West Florida, 25; Morgan St., 24; South Carolina St., 18; Stony Brook, 18; ACU, 11; Southern Illinois, 11; Cal Poly, 7; Charleston Southern, 4; Delaware St., 4; North Alabama, 4; Southeastern Louisiana, 2; Wofford, 2; Central Connecticut St., 1.				

BY THE NUMBERS (FCS - CSU / FBS - CLEMSON)

CHARLESTON SOUTHERN		
	NCAA	Value
Total Offense	110	280.8
Rushing Offense	72	136.3
Passing Offense	113	144.5
Team Passing Efficiency	97	113.7
Scoring Offense	44	27.8
Total Defense	21	321.8
Rushing Defense	32	127.0
Passing Yards Allowed	34	194.8
Team Passing Efficiency Defense	5	100.2
Scoring Defense	22	20.3
Turnover Margin	T-37	0.33
3rd Down Conversion Percentage	104	.315
4th Down Conversion Percentage	T-66	.500
3rd Down Conversion Percentage Defense	48	.376
4th Down Conversion Percentage Defense	T-54	.500
Red Zone Offense	93	.733
Red Zone Defense	37	.762
Net Punting	28	38.8
Punt Returns	34	12.9
Kickoff Returns	6	30.3
First Downs Offense	T-104	92
First Downs Defense	41	115
Fewest Penalties Per Game	47	6.00
Fewest Penalty Yards Per Game	67	58.2
Time of Possession	108	27:16

CLEMSON		
	NCAA	Value
Total Offense	119	321.2
Rushing Offense	95	137.6
Passing Offense	114	183.6
Team Passing Efficiency	127	111.6
Scoring Offense	119	19.4
Total Defense	100	381.8
Rushing Defense	100	164.6
Passing Yards Allowed	84	217.2
Team Passing Efficiency Defense	29	115.0
Scoring Defense	91	25.8
Turnover Margin	T-110	-0.60
3rd Down Conversion Percentage	120	.315
4th Down Conversion Percentage	T-27	.667
3rd Down Conversion Percentage Defense	81	.386
4th Down Conversion Percentage Defense	T-21	.333
Red Zone Offense	T-69	.857
Red Zone Defense	116	.923
Net Punting	107	37.8
Punt Returns	20	15.4
Kickoff Returns	39	23.4
First Downs Offense	123	95
First Downs Defense	T-70	109
Fewest Penalties Per Game	T-85	7.00
Fewest Penalty Yards Per Game	94	64.0
Time of Possession	96	28:44

■ 2026 NOTABLES

■ OFFENSIVE STORYLINES

QUARTERBACKS

Lek Powell earned the starting nod during fall camp in a true quarterback competition. He beat out Jared Echols who is in his third year in the program. Powell was also in the program last year and split #2 reps with Echols in 2025 behind All-Conference QB Zolten Osborne who transferred to Tennessee Tech during the offseason. Powell spent his first four years of college at Shepherd in WV, a NCAA D2 program with him serving as the backup at first to future NFL backup Tyler Bagent who started for the Chicago Bears. He spent his final year at the school as the starter for each of the games before entering the portal.

RUNNING BACKS

This will be one of the most by committee groups in the nation with them going four deep at the position with each having a different skillset that can be used in particular packages. Harry Smalls had the start for the Bucs in the first games, however Dwayne Wright earned the majority of the carries for the squad. Brandon Musch was used in primarily third down sets despite not taking a single carry. Hakeem Watters took some snaps as well earning carries.

WIDE RECEIVERS

This group is expected to rotate through about six players throughout the year. This group will consist of returners in Mekhi Campfield and Quay Kindell who are each in their fourth years at Charleston Southern while Maxwell Warren is in his second after transferring in from Holy Cross. The others in the group are people who transferred in during this past offseason including Kordell Lewis (Glenville State), TJ Smith (Georgia Military College), and KD Dorsey (Georgia Southern). They are looking to replace Chris Rhone (graduation) and Rashawn Cunningham (transfer to Liberty) from last season and their production at their positions.

TIGHT ENDS

They are expected to go about four players deep in this position group throughout the fall, however Hunter Green will earn the majority of the reps. He is the best all-around player among the group that is able to pass block, run block, run routes and catch passes. He caught his first career touchdown in the season opener at Lindenwood. He suffered a season-ending injury in his career debut at Vanderbilt in 2025. Other players that will rotate in during the season include Kaden Strickland, Jackson Moseley and Hasan Lee.

OFFENSIVE LINE

This group's strength will be seen in its interior positions after losing each of their starting All-Conference tackles to Power 4 programs in Andrew Threatt (North Carolina) and Colin Sorensen (Missouri). In this year's group they return their starting center in Justin Joe who is the tone setter for the offensive line. At the guard positions, they will rotate between three players in Ethan Hunt, Robert Clark and Dylan Richardson. Hunt has played and started in all of the games during the past two seasons while Clark and Richardson split the starts at LG in 2025. At the tackle positions, they are rotating through four players for the two spots. Josiah Lancaster and Quandre Brooks, a true freshman, both started in the season opener. The ones that they are looking to off the bench are Brendan Rolle and Khavijae Nixon.

KICKER

Following another lackluster season in the field goal kicking area, Charleston Southern once again went to the portal to try and find a solution. This offseason, they brought in Matt Rolader who was the starter at D2 Valdosta State. Throughout camp, it was a three-way battle between Rolader, Zach Gordon (starter in 2025) and Reid Montgomery (starter in 2024) with Rolader winning the battle to earn the starting nod. In the season opener, he drilled a kick from 50 yards out to be the first FG made from 50 or longer in program history since 2022.

HOLDER

Charleston Southern is one of the only schools in the nation that will be having their starting quarterback also serve as the holder for PATs and field goals. Not too often will you see a QB celebrate their touchdown by holding for the PAT following the score but you do for the Bucs.

TEAM NOTABLES:

-Coffee HS - Won a state championships - Starting CBs: #4 Jayden Hancock & #19 Anthony Paulk (Coffee HS)
 -Porter Ridge HS - Hertz' dad is HC - Starters in Front 7: #5 Steve Zayachkowsky & #56 Jason Hertz / Steve helped recruit Jason to CSU when he went in portal leaving App State
 -Lee County HS - Had a state runner-up finish in 2021: #64 Dylan Richardson & #12 Kason Hooks
 -McEachern HS - #36 Austin Brown, #77 Brendan Rolle, #78 Parker McClendon
 -Raines HS - both backup freshman: #55 Cameron Washington & #99 GeTerius Brown
 -South Florence HS - two DL: #75 Justin Joe & #67 Josiah Mason
 -Clover HS - Brothers, dad is head coach at school: #18 Brody and #48 Brayden Woolbright

■ DEFENSIVE/SPECIAL TEAMS STORYLINES

DEFENSIVE LINE

The defensive line was one of the strongest in the nation at the position last year with the way that they controlled the line of scrimmage. From that group, they return a pair of starters in Jason Hertz and CJ Landrum. A new starter in the fold is Josiah Wyatt who was the first option off the bench last year and earned meaningful snaps. Behind them, expect to see Cleve Tillery, Alvoid Kennon and Chancy Jordan who each saw playing time as true freshman last fall. Another that will be in the mix is Collin Bray who arrived as a JUCO transfer this summer from American River College.

LINEBACKERS

The person to know here is Steve Zayachkowsky, the preseason All-American and someone named to the Buck Buchanan Award Watch List over the summer. The senior collected 109 tackles last year for the fifth-most in a single season in school history. Behind him, is a large group of unproven, but talented players. This includes players like Taivon Snipe and Tristan Lennon as well as Angel Miles. A transfer named Joshua Modupe is expected to rotate in for meaningful snaps as well. At the outside linebacker positions, there is plenty of talent with primary players to be featured are Mylan Bowen closer to the line with Chandler Perry, Dylan Mullins and Brandon McDonald to rotate in amongst the secondary and in coverage units.

Zayachkowsky passed 250 career tackles in the win over South Carolina to break into the school's all-time top ten for career tackles

DEFENSIVE BACKS

This is the most experienced position group of any for Charleston Southern entering this season. They return five of the top eight players to get snaps at the corner and safety positions. This includes a pair of high school teammates from Coffee HS who won a State Championship together in 2023 and now start opposite of each other at corner. Additionally, this includes a fifth-year senior in Champ Brantley as well as a pair of transfers who arrived ahead of the 2025 season in Avery Dixon and Keimond Emilien.

PUNTER

For the first time in school history, Charleston Southern went to the Land Down Under to find a solution to their punting needs for the 2026 season. Gilbert Brown graduated this offseason following a two-year stint as the starter for the Buccaneers where he earned All-American accolades and broke multiple school records in the process during his time. Pearce arrived from Australia in January as a midyear enrollee after spending time in punting academies back home and growing up playing rugby.

LONG SNAPPER

Last season, Charleston Southern used a pair of long snappers during the season. They turned to Ross Rambo for field goals and PATs while using Noah Summers for punts. Following the graduation of Summers, Rambo has stepped into the role of filling both spots.

KICKOFF SPECIALIST

The Bucs will be going back to Will Laing to serve as the kickoff specialist for this fall after serving in that role for each of the past two seasons. He has registered 78 attempts entering the season on kickoffs and collected 31 touchbacks on those attempts. He had the best percentage of touchbacks in 2024 with 16/36 attempts being one while he averaged 60.5 per attempt in 2025. There have been three successful onside kickoff recoveries during his time manning the kickoff responsibilities.

2025 TRANSFER PORTAL LOSSES:

-Both tackles lost to P4 programs - Andrew Threatt (Starting LG at North Carolina) & Colin Sorensen (backup at Missouri)
 -Top WR option transferred to Liberty and is now a starter there - Shawn Cunningham (finalist for the Jerry Rice Award)
 -Top RB left to go to Bowling Green (Ke'marion Baldwin) - he's RB2 there
 -QB1 (Zolten Osborne) Started all 12 games and left to go to Tennessee Tech (lost battle over the summer, QB2 there) - they're a top 10 FCS team
 -Top DL player (David Portu) left to go to Austin Peay and has been a starter there, suffered a small injury at the start of their season - they're another top 10 FCS team
 -Lost two starting DBs to G5 programs (Knai Cook - Troy & Nick Sawyer - Bowling Green)



GABE GIARDINA

HEAD FOOTBALL COACH

FOURTH SEASON AT CHARLESTON SOUTHERN TENTH SEASON AS A HEAD COACH

Gabe Giardina became the sixth Charleston Southern head football coach in program history in November of 2022. He comes to the Buccaneers after coaching stops at the University of Alabama, Charleston Southern, Delta State and Albany State. The 2026 season will mark the fourth under his leadership.

During his first season at the helm, he continued a long string of home success for the Buccaneers as they finished the year at 4-2 inside of Buccaneer Field. Additionally, he saw four players being named to All-Conference honors including Malik Barnes as a First-Team member as well as Darius Meeks and TJ Ruff as Second-Team honorees. Jacob Tylski was selected as an All-Academic honoree.

Giardina came to the Buccaneers after spending the six seasons prior as the head coach at Albany State after taking on the role in 2017. He compiled a record of 37-17, including a 26-5 Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SIAC) record, in that time frame including wins over multiple nationally ranked teams.

In his tenure at Albany State, Giardina found much success on and off the field, including a combined 17-5 record over his last two seasons and a SIAC Conference Championship in 2021 after having the No. 1 total defense in all of Division II football. Along with that storied 2021 season for the Rams, Giardina was named the SIAC Coach of the Year. Following that season, Giardina was selected to take part in the 2022 HBCU Legacy Bowl as a co-head coach. The HBCU Legacy Bowl is a post-season all-star game, showcasing the best NFL-eligible players from Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

Before arriving at Albany State, Giardina served as the Offensive Coordinator under Head Coach Jamey Chadwell, winning 36 games in four years at the height of Charleston Southern football. He called the plays for the first playoff teams in CSU program history (2015 and 2016), including the 2016 Big South Championship team. The 2015 team was ranked in the top-eight nationally and earned the first ever FCS playoff bid after a 10-3 output.

Before returning to Charleston Southern, Giardina served as the offensive coordinator at Delta State for one season after being the assistant head coach as well as special teams coordinator and running backs coach at CSU for a season. That season, he coached six All-Big South players, including NFL veteran Charles James. In those four seasons, CSU blocked six punts, had four kickoff returns for touchdowns and three punt returns TDs. His kickoff coverage teams ranked second in the Big South for three years and led the Big South in net punting in 2011.

Giardina started his coaching career at the University of Alabama after a three-year playing career for the Crimson Tide, serving as a graduate assistant under both Mike Shula and Nick Saban. In two years under Shula, Giardina and the Crimson Tide won the Cotton Bowl in 2005. His final year at Alabama came under Saban, where he tutored the likes of Andre Smith, Antwan Caldwell and Mike Johnson.

Giardina is married to the former Wimberly Edwards from Greenville, Alabama and together they have three sons, Frank, DeAra and Whitt.

■ HEAD COACHING RECORD

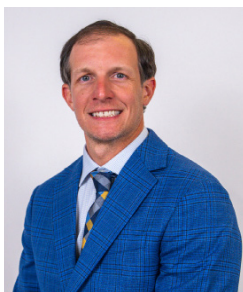
Year	School	Position	Record
2017	Albany State	Head Coach	6-4
2018	Albany State	Head Coach	7-4
2019	Albany State	Head Coach	7-4
2020	Albany State	Head Coach	COVID-19
2021	Albany State	Head Coach	10-2
2022	Albany State	Head Coach	7-3
2023	Charleston Southern	Head Coach	4-7
2024	Charleston Southern	Head Coach	1-11
2025	Charleston Southern	Head Coach	5-7
2026	Charleston Southern	Head Coach	3-3

■ COACHING CAREER

Year	School	Position
2005-07	Alabama	Graduate Assistant
2008-11	Charleston Southern	Running Backs / Special Teams
2012	Delta State	O.C. / Wide Receivers
2013-16	Charleston Southern	Offensive Coordinator
2017-22	Albany State	Head Coach
2023-pres	Charleston Southern	Head Coach



CHARLESTON SOUTHERN COORDINATORS



**SETH
STRICKLAND**

OFFENSIVE COORD.
2ND SEASON AT CSU



**RANDALL
MCCRAY**

DEFENSIVE COORD.
1ST SEASON AT CSU

Strickland arrived at Charleston Southern in January of 2025 after working at Anderson since February 2022 in the same role and helping launch the program from its start to its inaugural season this fall. He previously worked with Giardina at Albany State University, joining the Golden Rams staff in 2020 before going to the Trojans.

The 2025 season marked the most successful offensive season for the Buccaneers during the Giardina era. During that fall, there were five Buccaneers on the offensive side of the ball that earned All-Conference accolades including Andrew Threatt (First-Team), Rashawn Cunningham (First-Team), Zolten Osborne (Honorable Mention), Ke'Marion Baldwin (Honorable Mention) and Colin Sorensen (Honorable Mention). Additionally, Cunningham was named a finalist for the Jerry Rice Award which is given to the best Freshman in FCS football in the nation.

In his past, he worked at IMG Academy where he was the quarterbacks coach for the 2019 season where he helped them to a 9-1 record and #8 ranking nationally. Prior to that, he was in the professional ranks in the same position for Steve Spurrier's staff on the Orlando Apollos of the Alliance of American Football (AAF) leading them to a league-best 7-1 mark. Their starting quarterback, Garrett Gilbert, led the league in yards (2,152) and passer rating (99.1) that season and is now a member of the Washington Commanders.

He got his start in coaching at the University of South Carolina where he spent six seasons under head coaches Spurrier and Will Muschamp. While there, he worked closely with future NFL draft picks including Hayden Hurst (2018 first round), Deebo Samuel (2019 second round) and Pharoah Cooper (2016 fourth round).

Strickland earned a bachelor's degree in political science from South Carolina in 2012. He was a three-year football letterman, three-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll, and a six-time member of the Athletic Director's Honor Roll. Also, he was a member of the National Football Foundation Hampshire Society and was the MVP of the inaugural S.C. College All-Star Bowl game.

Randall McCray was tabbed as the Defensive Coordinator for the Buccaneers in March 2026 and has the 2026 season mark his first with the school with over 30 years of coaching experience. He spent the 2025 season at East Tennessee State University as the Defensive Backs Coach and Special Teams Coordinator. Prior to the move to Johnson City, he worked at Northern Iowa in 2022 as the Defensive Coordinator and spent a few more years in the state coaching.

Before UNI, McCray oversaw linebackers at Florida International University for a year after coaching special teams with the NFL's Arizona Cardinals for 2 seasons. Over his 30-year career, McCray has made prominent stops at Clemson, Wisconsin, Pittsburgh, South Carolina, Middle Tennessee, Gardner-Webb and Texas State. Prior to his NFL experience, McCray spent two seasons at Texas State. While at Texas State, McCray was an assistant head coach and defensive coordinator for the Bobcats. Before joining Withers at Texas State in 2016, McCray spent three seasons at Gardner-Webb as the defensive coordinator and secondary coach.

During those three seasons at Gardner-Webb, the defense held 13 different opponents to fewer than 100 yards rushing. O.J. Mau earned All-America honors for the third straight season in 2015, and Shaq Riddick earned FCS All-American honors and was fifth in the final voting for the Buck Buchanan Award in 2013. Gardner-Webb had 12 All-Big South defensive players during that span. In 2010, McCray served as the defensive coordinator for Middle Tennessee. The Blue Raiders ranked second in the conference in scoring defense, passing yards allowed, and pass efficiency defense and Jamari Lattimore earned Sun Belt Defensive Player of the Year honors. Rod Issac and Jeremy Kellum also earned All-Sun Belt first-team honors and Dwight Smith was named honorable mention. Issac was later drafted in the fifth round (147th overall) of the 2011 NFL Draft by Jacksonville, the highest pick for a Blue Raider since 2003.

McCray also has coached at Toledo (2003-05), Illinois State (2000-02), Murray State (1997-99), Bethune-Cookman (1996), Clemson (1995), UT Chattanooga (1993-94) and began his coaching career as a GA at South Carolina from 1991-92.

CSU STAFF ON FIELD

GABE GIARDINA - HEAD COACH
SETH STRICKLAND - OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR
RANDALL MCCRAY - DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR
CAMERON GARDNER - RUNNING BACKS
CEDRIC WILLIAMS - OFFENSIVE LINE
MAURICE DUNCAN - SECONDARY (SAFETIES)
ANTONIO RODRIGUEZ - DEFENSIVE LINE
BRAXTON CHADWICK - DIRECTOR OF FOOTBALL OPERATIONS / SPECIAL TEAMS
CADE ROWLAND - G.A. - TIGHT ENDS
LANDRY HORNE - G.A. - LINEBACKERS
HOGAN MILLER - G.A. - VIDEO COORDINATOR

CSU STAFF IN COACHES BOOTH

VINCE GIARDINA - WIDE RECEIVERS
THOMAS LEFLER - G.A. - OFFENSIVE LINE
MIKE EDWARDS - SECONDARY (CORNERS)
MASON LEVASSEUR - G.A. - LINEBACKERS



CHARLESTON SOUTHERN BUCCANEERS (5-7, 4-4 OVC/Big South)

2025 SEASON REVIEW

BUCCANEER STAT LEADERS			
RUSHING	Ke'Marion Baldwin	159 Carries, 778 yards, 6 TDs, Long of 89 yards	
PASSING	Zolten Osborne	166-304, 2216 Yards, 12 TD/6 INT, 184.7 YPG	
RECEIVING	Shawn Cunningham	33 Rec, 604 Yards, 7 TD, 50.3 YPG, Long of 73 yards	
DEFENSIVE	Steve Zayachkowsky	109 Tackles, 4.5 TFL, 1 FF, 1 FR, 1 INT, 2 QBH	

Charleston Southern football's 2025 season was defined by resilience and a strong second-half turnaround. After opening the season with four consecutive losses, the Bucs won four of their final five games to finish 5-7 overall and 4-4 in OVC/Big South play. The five victories marked the program's most since 2019 and provided momentum heading into 2026.

The Bucs faced a difficult opening stretch, beginning the year with road games against FBS opponents Vanderbilt and Coastal Carolina. Charleston Southern fell 45-3 at Vanderbilt before being shut out 13-0 at Coastal Carolina. The early struggles continued with a 35-28 home loss to Lindenwood and a 34-7 defeat at William & Mary, leaving the Bucs 0-4 heading into their final nonconference game.

Charleston Southern responded with one of its biggest wins of the season, defeating South Carolina State 31-24 on Sept. 27. The victory marked the Bucs' first win of the season and their first victory ever over the Bulldogs in the nine meetings in program history. The win provided a much-needed spark as the team entered conference play.

Following a narrow 30-27 loss at Gardner-Webb, Charleston Southern earned its first conference victory at Western Illinois, winning 29-24 behind four touchdown passes from quarterback Zolten Osborne. The Bucs then returned home for Homecoming and rallied past Eastern Illinois, 17-16. David Portu's blocked field goal in the final seconds preserved the victory and gave Charleston Southern consecutive wins for the first time in the season. The momentum continued the following week when

the Bucs traveled to Southeast Missouri State and earned a 23-17 victory. The win gave Charleston Southern three consecutive victories and positioned the team for a strong finish to the season.

Several young players emerged as important pieces during the late-season surge. Osborne established himself as a key contributor at quarterback, while redshirt freshman wide receiver Rashawn Cunningham emerged as one of the conference's top young playmakers. Cunningham delivered one of the season's most impressive individual performances at UT Martin, recording seven catches for 216 yards and a 73-yard touchdown. Although the Bucs fell 17-14 at UT Martin, they closed the season with another dramatic victory, defeating Tennessee State 7-6 on Senior Day. Charleston Southern's defense held the Tigers scoreless in the fourth quarter and produced a series of critical stops to preserve the one-point victory.

The win capped a 4-1 finish over the final five games and gave the Bucs their strongest season in six years. Charleston Southern also earned 12 All-Conference selections, including first-team honors for Cunningham, Andrew Threatt, Malik McKinzie and Steve Zayachkowsky. Anthony Paulk was named the conference's Defensive Freshman of the Year.

Ultimately, the 2025 season represented meaningful progress for Charleston Southern under Giardina. After an 0-4 start, the Bucs found their footing, competed consistently in conference -and finished the year playing some of their best football. The emergence of young talent, combined with veteran leadership, gives Charleston Southern a strong foundation to build upon heading into 2026.

2025 SCHEDULE & RESULTS						
DATE		OPPONENT	SITE	TV	RESULT	NOTES
Aug. 30		at Vanderbilt	Nashville, Tenn. First Bank Stadium	SEC Network +	L, 3-45	Diego Pavia threw for 275 off 20-25 on his passing attempts to go with three touchdowns as the hosts storm to a strong season opening victory.
Sept. 6		at Coastal Carolina	Conway, S.C. Brooks Stadium	ESPN+	L, 0-13	Charleston Southern picked off the Chants three times in the contest in the first matchup between the former Big South Conference rivals since 2016
Sept. 13		Lindenwood*	Charleston, S.C. Buccaneer Field	ESPN+	L, 28-35	Charleston Southern raced to a 21-0 lead at the start of the second quarter and allowed 35 unanswered to fall 35-28 in the conference opener for the Bucs.
Sept. 20		at William & Mary	Williamsburg, VA. Walter J. Zable Stadium	FloSports	L, 7-34	The Tribe score 20 unanswered in the second half to run away while Zayachkowsky collects as 19 tackles on the day to tie the association record for a single game.
Sept. 27		South Carolina State	Charleston, S.C. Buccaneer Field	ESPN+	W, 31-24	The Buccaneers pick up their first-ever victory over the Bulldogs in program history, giving them their only FCS loss of the 2025 season
Oct. 4		at Gardner-Webb*	Boiling Springs, N.C. Spangler Stadium	ESPN+	L, 27-30	An end of the first half hail mary by the Runnin' Bulldogs pave the way for them to squeak out a narrow 30-27 victory over the Buccaneers.
Oct. 11		Tennessee Tech*	Charleston, S.C. Buccaneer Field	ESPN+	L, 13-27	Charleston Southern held one of the nation's top offenses at bay fairly well throughout the afternoon, but the national ranked foe continued to roll the OVC
Oct. 18		at Western Illinois*	Macomb, Ill. Hanson Field	ESPN+	W, 29-24	Charleston Southern's Zolten Osborne throws a career-best four touchdowns in the victory on the road to pave the way for most complete game of the year for CSU.
Oct. 25		Eastern Illinois*	Charleston, S.C. Buccaneer Field	ESPN+	W, 17-16	The Buccaneers' David Portu comes up with a field goal block on the final play of the game to allow CSU to defend home field and come away with the home win.
Nov. 1		at Southeast Mo. St.*	Cape Girardeau, Mo. Houck Field	ESPN+	W, 23-17	A pair of special teams tricks allows for CSU to build an early lead and hold on for the road victory, giving them their first three-game win streak since 2019.
Nov. 15		at UT Martin*	Martin, Tenn. Hardy M. Graham Stadium	ESPN+	L, 14-17	Rashawn Cunningham finishes the day with seven receptions for 216 yards, one of the best days in CSU and OVC history as well as in the FCS in 2025
Nov. 22		Tennessee State*	Charleston, S.C. Buccaneer Field	ESPN+	W, 7-6	Charleston Southern caps off the 2025 season by winning four of their final five games with a rock fight of a 7-6 ball game to end the year.

*CONFERENCE

% POST-SEASON

BOLD: HOME TEAM

CHARLESTON SOUTHERN BUCCANEERS (2-2, 0-1 OVC)

2026 SEASON PREVIEW



TEAM MAKEUP
113 Players
62 Returners
34 Freshmen
17 Transfers

A new season brings a new chapter for Charleston Southern football, as the Buccaneers enter the 2026 campaign looking to build on the foundation established during the first three seasons of the Gabe Giardina era.

Now in his fourth season at the helm, Giardina leads a Buccaneer squad that returns a strong collection of veteran talent while welcoming a challenging 12-game schedule. Charleston Southern finished 2025 with a 5-7 overall record and 4-4 mark in conference play. They averaged 313.4 yards of total offense per game while allowing 393.3 yards per contest.

The centerpiece of the Buccaneers' defense is senior linebacker Steve Zayachkowsky, who enters the season as one of the top defensive players in the FCS. A first-team all-conference selection in 2025, Zayachkowsky led the league with 109 tackles and recorded double-digit tackles in six games. His performance has earned him preseason Third-Team All-America honors, a spot on the Buck Buchanan Award Watch List and recognition as Phil Steele's Preseason OVC Defensive Player of the Year.

Zayachkowsky will headline a defense that also features linebacker Taivon Snipe, who is expected to take on a larger role after appearing in all 12 games last season. The Buccaneers' defensive line returns preseason all-conference selections in Mylan Bowen, C.J. Landrum and Jason Hertz, giving Charleston Southern experience and playmaking ability up front.

BUCCANEER STAT LEADERS		
PASSING	Lek Powell	48 of 93, 552 yards, 3 TDs, 1 INT
RUSHING	Hakeem Watters	55 carries, 369 yards, 6 TDs long of 62
RECEIVING	Mekhi Campfield	15 catches, 198 yards, 4 TD
DEFENSIVE	Steve Zayachkowsky	58 tackles, 3.5 TFLs, 2.0 sacks, 3 PBU's, 4 QB Hurries

Offensively, the Bucs return several players who earned preseason recognition. In the skill positions, wide receiver Mekhi Campfield was selected first-team All-OVC, while running back Hakeem Watters and wide receiver Quay Kindell were named second-team selections. Across the offensive line, Ethan Hunt was chosen as a First-Teamer, Justin Joe to the second team and Josiah Lancaster to the third team. Dylan Richardson is expected to have a big season as well in one of the guard positions.

The schedule will provide an immediate test. For the first time in program history, Charleston Southern will open its season with a conference game, traveling to Lindenwood on August 27. The Bucs then remain on the road for games at Georgia Southern and The Citadel before finally opening their Buccaneer Field slate by playing Point on September 19.

The middle portion of the schedule includes three consecutive home games against Point, Gardner-Webb and nationally ranked South Carolina State. After an October trip to Clemson to conclude the nonconference games and a road contest at Tennessee State, Charleston Southern returns home for a November stretch featuring Western Illinois, nationally ranked UT Martin and Southeast Missouri State. They then will end the season at Eastern Illinois on November 21.

With six home games, seven conference contests and a roster featuring 19 preseason all-conference selections from Phil Steele, the most in the OVC, expectations are rising around Charleston Southern. The challenge will be continuing to build upon the success of last year, staying healthy and pulling away in the close games to be able to get the one possession wins.

2026 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

DATE		OPPONENT	SITE	TV	RESULT	NOTES
Aug. 27		at Lindenwood*	St. Charles, Mo. Hunter Stadium	ESPN +	L, 17-20	Lindenwood takes the win behind a late first half pick six that turns into a ten-point swing. Lek Powell threw for 200+ and 2 touchdowns in his starting debut.
Sept. 5		at Georgia Southern	Statesboro, Ga. Paulson Stadium	ESPN+	L, 0-31	Georgia Southern scored on each of their first three possessions of the game to race out to a 21-0 lead and claim their season opening victory.
Sept. 12		at The Citadel	Charleston, S.C. Johnson Hagood Stadium	ESPN+	W, 26-20 (2OT)	CSU won the Lowcountry Boil Bowl in double OT, using a blocked punt by Paulk, two long field goals by Rolader and three rushing TDs by three different players.
Sept. 19		Point	Charleston, S.C. Buccaneer Field	ESPN+	W, 65-0	Charleston Southern posted a day for the record books winning by a final score of 65-0, which is the third-most points in a game in school history .
Oct. 3		Gardner-Webb*	Charleston, S.C. Buccaneer Field	ESPN+	L, 10-12	Gardner-Webb got a late safety for a lead in the fourth quarter to take a lead. This served as the game-winning go-ahead score to win the North/South BBQ Bowl.
Oct. 10		#21 South Carolina St.	Charleston, S.C. Buccaneer Field	ESPN+	W, 49-39	The Buccaneers posted their top scoring showings in the Giardina era. Jared Echols threw for three TDs in his first career start and CSU had a PR and KOR touchdown.
Oct. 17		at Clemson	Clemson, S.C. Memorial Stadium	ACCN+	-	-
Oct. 24		at Tennessee State*	Nashville, Tenn. Nissan Stadium	ESPN+	-	-
Oct. 31		Western Illinois*	Charleston, S.C. Buccaneer Field	ESPN+	-	-
Nov. 7		UT Martin*	Charleston, S.C. Buccaneer Field	ESPN+	-	-
Nov. 14		Southeast Missouri St*	Charleston, S.C. Buccaneer Field	ESPN+	-	-
Nov. 21		at Eastern Illinois*	Charleston, Ill. O'Brien Field	ESPN+	-	-

*CONFERENCE % POST-SEASON BOLD: HOME TEAM

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#	Rushing	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOSS	NET	AVG	TD	LG	AVG/G
0	Watters, Hakeem	6	55	393	24	369	6.7	6	62	61.50
28	Wright, Dwayne	6	44	198	15	183	4.2	3	34	30.50
26	Smalls, Harry	4	29	139	12	127	4.4	1	46	31.75
20	Richardson, Sharode	1	4	86	2	84	21.0	1	66	84.00
7	Echols, Jared	4	12	53	4	49	4.1	0	20	12.25
22	Musch, Brandon	6	6	46	0	46	7.7	1	26	7.67
11	Clay, Caden	2	3	17	1	16	5.3	0	12	8.00
41	Ackey, Nehemiah	2	1	14	0	14	14.0	0	14	7.00
35	Green, Hunter	4	1	3	0	3	3.0	0	3	0.75
32	Rattigan, Jayden	1	1	2	0	2	2.0	0	2	2.00
	Team	6	3	0	4	-4	-1.3	0	0	-0.67
6	Powell, Lek	5	41	114	185	-71	-1.7	0	15	-14.20
	Total	6	200	1065	247	818	4.1	12	66	136.33
	Opponents	6	235	924	162	762	3.2	9	27	127.00

#	Passing	GP	Rating	COMP-ATT-INT	PCT	YDS	TD	LG	AVG/G
6	Powell, Lek	5	109.97	48-93-1	51.61 %	552	3	40	110.40
7	Echols, Jared	4	125.75	26-48-1	54.17 %	315	3	33	78.75
11	Clay, Caden	2	0.00	0-2-0	0.00 %	0	0	0	0.00
Total		6	113.73	74-143-2	51.75 %	867	6	40	144.50
Opponents		6	100.19	106-207-5	51.21 %	1169	4	57	194.83

#	Receiving	GP	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	LG	AVG/G
3	Campfield, Mekhi	6	15	198	13.20	4	39	33.00
4	Kindell, Quay	6	13	170	13.08	0	40	28.33
18	Dorsey, KD	6	9	116	12.89	0	28	19.33
10	Smith, TJ	6	8	114	14.25	0	24	19.00
83	Warren, Maxwell	6	11	103	9.36	1	27	17.17
15	Lewis, Kordell	6	5	57	11.40	0	23	9.50
85	Lee Jr, Hasan	6	1	31	31.00	0	31	5.17
35	Green, Hunter	4	3	23	7.67	1	14	5.75
0	Watters, Hakeem	6	4	22	5.50	0	11	3.67
88	Patterson, Kyle	6	1	15	15.00	0	15	2.50
26	Smalis, Harry	4	1	5	5.00	0	5	1.25
81	Berrios, Aiden	2	1	4	4.00	0	4	2.00
22	Musch, Brandon	6	1	3	3.00	0	3	0.50
86	Moseley, Jack	6	1	1	1.00	0	1	0.17
80	Jackson, Frank	1	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
28	Wright, Dwayne	6	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00
Total		6	74	862	11.65	6	40	143.67
Opponents		6	106	1169	11.03	4	57	194.83

#	Punt Returns	NO	YRDS	AVG	TD	LG
0	Watters, Hakeem	3	97	32.33	1	60
8	Kindell, Quay	7	29	4.14	0	13
19	Paulk, Anthony	0	13	∞	0	13
0	Wyatt, Josiah	1	13	13.00	0	13
20	Richardson, Sharode	1	3	3.00	0	3
	Total	12	155	12.92	1	60
	Opponents	8	69	8.63	0	22

#	Interceptions	NO	YRDS	AVG	TD	LG
12	Hooks, Kason	2	62	31.00	1	62
19	Paulk, Anthony	1	24	24.00	0	24
4	Hancock, Jayden	1	17	17.00	0	17
6	Dixon, Avery	1	0	0.00	0	0
Total		5	103	20.60	1	62
Opponents		2	85	42.50	1	85

#	Kick Returns	NO	YRDS	AVG	TD	LG
8	Kindell, Quay	8	273	34.13	2	98
25	Lennon, Tristan	1	0	0.00	0	0
	Total	9	273	30.33	2	98
	Opponents	11	188	17.09	0	33

#	Fumble Returns	NO	YRDS	AVG	TD	LG
No data to report.						

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#	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
5	Zayachkowsky, Steve	6	17	41	58.0	3.5-13	2.0-6	—	3	4	—	1	—	—
25	Lennon, Tristan	6	8	28	36.0	3.0-7	1.0-5	—	4	2	—	—	—	—
10	Bowen, Mylan	6	6	24	30.0	1.5-7	0.5-5	—	1	7	—	—	—	—
0	Wyatt, Josiah	6	10	16	26.0	2.5-7	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—
6	Dixon, Avery	6	13	8	21.0	0.5-2	—	1-0	1	—	1-0	—	—	—
12	Hooks, Kason	6	12	8	20.0	2.5-12	—	2-62	—	—	—	—	—	—
33	McDonald, Brandon	6	7	12	19.0	2.0-8	0.5-5	—	2	5	—	1	—	—
8	Landrum, CJ	6	8	10	18.0	1.0-1	—	—	—	4	—	—	—	—
19	Paulk, Anthony	6	12	6	18.0	0.5-2	—	1-24	1	1	—	—	—	—
4	Hancock, Jayden	5	9	7	16.0	2.0-8	—	1-17	5	—	—	—	—	—
1	Brantley, Champ	6	8	7	15.0	0.5-1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—
11	Emilien, Kiemond	5	10	2	12.0	1.5-5	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—
56	Hertz, Jason	6	3	9	12.0	0.5-1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
36	Brown, Austin	5	7	3	10.0	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
57	Williamson, Jamie	5	5	5	10.0	2.0-9	1.0-5	—	1	2	1-0	1	—	—
39	Brassell, Jalen	6	6	3	9.0	0.5-2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	Modupe, Joshua	6	4	5	9.0	2.0-18	2.0-18	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
13	Perry, Chandler	5	5	4	9.0	1.0-2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
24	Miles, Angel	3	6	2	8.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—
7	Snipe, Talvon	3	3	5	8.0	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
16	Mullins, Dylan	2	5	2	7.0	1.0-1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	Bray, Collin	6	2	4	6.0	1.0-2	—	—	1	3	—	—	—	—
30	Coleman, Jaiden	6	4	2	6.0	1.0-1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
94	Hamilton, Shaun	6	3	3	6.0	1.0-3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32	O'Neal, Damarcus	5	3	3	6.0	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—
31	Roberts, Devontae	6	5	1	6.0	—	—	—	2	1	—	—	—	—
9	Carter, Anthony	3	1	3	4.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	Clark, Kendrick	4	2	2	4.0	—	—	—	—	—	1-0	—	—	—
96	Kennon, Alvoid	5	2	2	4.0	0.5-1	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
51	Adkins, Shannon	4	2	1	3.0	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
99	Brown, GeTerius	2	3	—	3.0	1.0-3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
95	Atkins, Charles	5	—	2	2.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
42	Black, Nate	6	2	—	2.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
59	Gillespie, Elijah	4	2	—	2.0	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
17	Hagan, Jay	1	1	1	2.0	1.5-2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
93	Jordan, Chancy	3	1	1	2.0	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
43	Schrader, Peyton	5	1	1	2.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
90	Tellery II, Cleve	3	—	2	2.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	Walton, JuliuZ	3	2	—	2.0	1.0-5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
14	Dorsey, KD	6	—	1	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
98	Laing, Will	6	1	—	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
97	Wilson, Jonah	1	1	—	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28	Wright, Dwayne	6	1	—	1.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	Campfield, Mekhi	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
46	Gordon, Zach	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	Green, Hunter	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	Kindell, Quay	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
49	Montgomery, Reid	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
22	Musch, Brandon	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
88	Patterson, Kyle	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1-0	—	—	—
6	Powell, Lek	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20	Richardson, Sharode	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
47	Rolader, Matt	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
26	Smalls, Harry	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TM	Team	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
83	Warren, Maxwell	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
0	Watters, Hakeem	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total		6	203	236	439.0	35.0-123	7.0-44	5-103	25	37	4-0	5	2	1
Opponents		6	180	156	336.0	56.0-243	24.0-175	2-85	18	14	5-25	5	—	2

BUCCANEERS ON OPENING OFFENSIVE DRIVES

Game	1st Half	2nd Half
at Lindenwood	Punt - 8 plays, 54 yards	Punt - 3 plays, 6 yards
at Georgia Southern	Punt - 3 plays, 8 yards	Punt - 7 plays, 10 yards
at The Citadel	Punt - 3 plays, 4 yards	Punt, 3 plays, 4 yards
Point	TD - 3 plays, 79 yards	TD - 1 play, 59 yards
Gardner-Webb	Punt - 7 plays, 30 yards	TD - 2 plays, 63 yards
#21 South Carolina State	TD - 6 plays, 82 yards	TD - 1 play, 29 yards
at Clemson		
at Tennessee State		
Western Illinois		
UT Martin		
Southeast Missouri State		
at Eastern Illinois		

BUCCANEERS ON OPENING DEFENSIVE SERIES

Game	1st Half	2nd Half
at Lindenwood	Punt - 9 plays, 37 yards	TD - 8 plays, 64 yards
at Georgia Southern	TD - 14 plays, 75 yards	TD - 9 plays, 90 yards
at The Citadel	TD - 8 plays, 71 yards	FG - 10 plays, 49 yards
Point	Punt - 3 plays, 0 yards	Punt - 3 plays, 3 yards
Gardner-Webb	Fumble - 7 plays, 42 yards	Punt - 6 plays, 11 yards
#21 South Carolina State	Punt - 3 plays, (-1) yards	Fumble - 1 play, 4 yards
at Clemson		
at Tennessee State		
Western Illinois		
UT Martin		
Southeast Missouri State		
at Eastern Illinois		

OFFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

PASSING

	Att	Comp	Int	Pct	P. Yards	TD	Long	Sack	Rushes	R. Yards
Lek Powell - at Lindenwood	32	18	1	56.25%	208	2	28	4	9	9
Lek Powell - at Ga. Southern	6	20	0	30.0%	69	0	31	6	8	-33
Jared Echols - at Ga. Southern	3	9	1	33.3%	40	0	22	0	2	8
Lek Powell - at The Citadel	8	16	0	50.0%	84	0	20		14	-12
Lek Powell - Point	7	8	0	87.5%	153	1	40	1	2	4
Jared Echols - Point	6	10	0	60.0%	81	0	27	0	3	13
Caden Clay - Point	0	2	0	0%	0	0	0	1	3	16
Lek Powell - Gardner-Webb	9	17	0	52.9%	38	0	9		8	-39
Jared Echols - S.C. State	17	29	0	58.6%	194	3	33	1	7	28

RUSHING

RUSHING	No-Yds/TD	LIN	GSU	CIT	POI	GWU	SCS	CLE	TSU	WIU	UTM	SEMO
Dwayne Wright	44-183/3	11-58/0	7-13/0	7-21/1	3-12/1	12-77/0	4-2/1					
Harry Smalls	29-127/1	8-34/0	5-6/0	11-39/1	5-48/1							
Lek Powell	41-(-71)/0	9-9/0	8-(-33)/0	14-(-12)/0	2-4/0	8-(-39)/0						
Hakeem Watters	55-369/6	2-8/0	6-8/0	11-56/1	7-123/3	15-102/1	14-72/1					
Brandon Musch	6-46/1		1-4/0		4/33/1		1-9/0					
Hunter Green	1-3/0		1-3/0									
Jared Echols	12-53/0		2-8/0		3-13/0		7-28/0					
Sharode Richardson	4-84/1				4-84/0							
Caden Clay	3-16/0				3-16/0							
Nehemiah Ackey	1-14/0				1-14/0							
Jayden Rattigan	1-2/0				1-2/0							

RECEIVING

RECEIVING	No-Yds/TD	LIN	GSU	CIT	POI	GWU	SCS	CLE	TSU	WIU	UTM	SEMO
KD Dorsey	9-116/0	3-46/0	2-42/0	1-17/0	1-13/0	2-(-2)/0						
Mekhi Campfield	15-198/4	5-44/1	1-7/0	1-6/0	2-53/1	1-6/0	5-82/2					
Kordell Lewis	5-57/0	2-35/0					3-22/0					
Quay Kindell	13-170/0	2-32/0		2-24/0	3-64/0	4-21/0	2-29/0					
Maxwell Warren	11-103/0	3-20/0	2-0/0		3-48/0		3-35/1					
Hunter Green	3-23/1	1-14/1		1-8/0			1-1/0					
Hakeem Watters	4-22/0	1-11/0		1-5/0			2-6/0					
TJ Smith	8-114/0	1-6/0	1-22/0	2-24/0	2-36/0	1-7/0	1-19/0					
Hasan Lee	1-31/0		1-31/0									
Aiden Berrios	1-4/0		1-4/0									
Brandon Musch	1-3/0		1-3/0									
Kyle Patterson	1-15/0				1-15/0							
Harry Smalls	1-5/0				1-5/0							
Jack Moseley	1-1/0					1-1/0						

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

TOTAL TACKLES

TOTAL TACKLES	TOT	LIN	GSU	CIT	POI	GWU	SCS	CLE	TSU	WIU	UTM	SEMO
Steve Zavachkowsky	58	12	4	12	1	12	17					
Tristian Lennon	36	7	4	10	1	6	8					
Mylan Bowen	30	7	2	10	2	5	4					
Josiah Wyatt	26	5	4	8		6	3					
Avery Dixon	21	3	2	2		4	10					
Kason Hooks	20	1	3	4	4	1	7					
Brandon McDonald	19		3	6		3	7					
CJ Landrum	18	3	3	7	2	2	1					
Anthony Paulk	18	2	4	2		7	3					
Jayden Hancock	16	1	4	2		6	3					
Champ Brantley	15	5	2	2		3	3					
Kiemond Emilien	12	3	2	2	2	3						
Jason Hertz	12	2	1	3		3	3					
Austin Brown	10		2	1	4		3					
Jamie Williamson	10			1	4	3	2					
Chandler Perry	9	2	5	1			1					
Joshua Modupe	9	1	2	1	2	1	2					
Jalen Brassell	9		2	2	1	1	3					
Taivon Snipe	8	6					2					
Angel Miles	8				3	4	1					
Dylan Mullins	7	3	4									
Collin Bray	6	1	1			3	1					
Jaiden Coleman	6		2		4							
Devonate Roberts	6		1		1	3	1					
Shaun Hamilton	6		1		3	1	1					
Damarcus O'Neal	6				1	4	1					
Alvoid Kennon	4	1	1	1		1						
Anthony Carter	4	1	2				1					
Kendrick Clark	4		1		1	2						
GeTerius Brown	3				3							
Shannon Adkins	3			1	2							
Chancy Jordan	2	1	1									
Cleve Tellery	2	1	1									
Charles Atkins	2		2									
Peyton Schrader	2		1		1							
Nate Black	2		1			1						
Elijah Gillespie	2		1		1							
Juliuз Walton	2				2							
Jay Hagan	2				2							
KD Dorsey	1			1								
Jonah Wilson	1				1							
Will Laing	1					1						
Dwayne Wright	1						1					

SACKS

SACKS	UA-A	TOT	LIN	GSU	CIT	POI	GWU	SCS	CLE	TSU	WIU	UTM	SEMO
Steve Zavachkowsky	2-0	2.0	2.0										
Tristan Lennon					1.0								
Joshua Modupe						1.0		1.0					
Jamie Williamson						1.0							
Mylan Bowen								0.5					
Brandon McDonald								0.5					

TACKLES FOR LOSS

TACKLES FOR LOSS	TOT	LIN	GSU	CIT	POI	GWU	SCS	CLE	TSU	WIU	UTM	SEMO
Steve Zavachkowsky	3.0	2.0	1.0			0.5						
Tristan Lennon	1.0	1.0		1.5		0.5						
Chandler Perry	1.0	1.0										
Champ Brantley	0.5	0.5										
Alvoid Kennon	0.5	0.5										
Jayden Hancock	1.0		1.0			1.0						
Brandon McDonald	1.0		1.0	0.5			0.5					
Dylan Mullins	1.0		1.0									
Josiah Wyatt	0.5		0.5	1.0		1.0						
CJ Landrum	0.5		0.5									
Collin Bray						1.0						
Jamie Williamson					1.0	1.0						
Mylan Bowen						0.5	1.0					
Kiemond Emilien					1.0	0.5						
Anthony Paulk						0.5						
Jason Hertz						0.5						
Juliuз Walton					1.0							
Jay Hagan				1.5								
Joshua Modupe					1.0		1.0					
Jaiden Coleman					1.0							
Geterius Brown					1.0							
Kason Hooks				2.0	0.5							
Jalen Brassell					0.5							
Shaun Hamilton								1.0				
Avery Dixon								0.5				

SPECIAL TEAMS GAME-BY-GAME

PUNT RETURNS												
PUNT RETURNS	No-Yds	LIN	GSU	CIT	POI	GWU	SCS	CLE	TSU	WIU	UTM	SEMO
Quay Kindell	8-42	2-6	1-13	1-26	3-10	1-0						
Sharode Richardson	1-3				1-3							
Hakeem Watters	3-97						3-97					

KICK RETURNS												
KICK RETURNS	No-Yds	LIN	GSU	CIT	POI	GWU	SCS	CLE	TSU	WIU	UTM	SEMO
Quay Kindell	8-273	2-44	1-14		2-73		4-142					

MISCELLANEOUS STATS

3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS								
Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	OT
Aug. 27	at Lindenwood	L, 17-20	7 of 14	2 of 3	3 of 4	0 of 4	2 of 3	
Sept. 5	at Georgia Southern	L, 0-31	5 of 18	0 of 2	1 of 5	1 of 5	3 of 6	
Sept. 12	at The Citadel	W, 26-20 (2OT)	4 of 13	2 of 4	1 of 3	0 of 1	1 of 5	0 of 0
Sept. 19	Point	W, 65-0	5 of 8	2 of 2	1 of 3	2 of 2	0 of 1	
Oct. 3	Gardner-Webb	L, 10-12	0 of 12	0 of 3	0 of 3	0 of 2	0 of 4	
Oct. 10	S.C. State	W, 49-39	2 of 9	1 of 2	0 of 1	1 of 3	0 of 3	
Oct. 17	at Clemson							
Oct. 24	at Tennessee State							
Oct. 31	Western Illinois							
Nov. 7	UT Martin							
Nov. 14	Southeast Missouri State							
Charleston Southern Opponents								

4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS								
Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	OT
Aug. 27	at Lindenwood	L, 17-20	1 for 1	0 for 0	0 for 0	0 for 0	0 for 0	
Sept. 5	at Georgia Southern	L, 0-31	1 for 1	0 for 0	0 for 0	1 for 1	0 for 0	
Sept. 12	at The Citadel	W, 26-20 (2OT)	5 of 16	0 for 0	0 for 0	0 for 0	1 for 1	0 for 0
Sept. 19	Point	W, 65-0	0 of 2	0 of 0	0 of 1	0 of 0	0 of 1	
Oct. 3	Gardner-Webb	L, 10-12	1 of 3	0 of 0	0 of 1	0 of 0	1 of 2	
Oct. 10	S.C. State	W, 49-39	0 Of 0	0 of 0	0 of 0	0 of 0	0 of 0	
Oct. 17	at Clemson							
Oct. 24	at Tennessee State							
Oct. 31	Western Illinois							
Nov. 7	UT Martin							
Nov. 14	Southeast Missouri State							
Charleston Southern Opponents								

TIME OF POSSESSION				
Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	Opponent
Aug. 27	at Lindenwood	L, 17-20	27:31	32:29
Sept. 5	at Georgia Southern	L, 0-31	27:49	32:11
Sept. 12	at The Citadel	W, 26-20 (2OT)	25:50	34:10
Sept. 19	Point	W, 65-0	31:31	25:53
Oct. 3	Gardner-Webb	L, 10-12	26:22	33:38
Oct. 10	S.C. State	W, 49-39	24:31	35:29
Oct. 17	at Clemson			
Oct. 24	at Tennessee State			
Oct. 31	Western Illinois			
Nov. 7	UT Martin			
Nov. 14	Southeast Missouri St.			
Charleston Southern		Total	2:43:34	
		Avg.	27:16	
Opponents		Total	3:13:50	
		Avg.	32:18	

CHARLESTON SOUTHERN GIVEAWAY/TAKEAWAY							
Game	Giveaway			Takeaway			
	Fum	Int	Tot	Fum	Int	Tot	Dif
at Lindenwood	1	1	2	0	0	0	-2
at Georgia Southern	1	1	2	1	0	1	-1
at The Citadel	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
Point	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
Gardner-Webb	0	0	0	1	1	2	2
South Carolina State	1	0	0	2	2	3	4
at Clemson							
at Tennessee State							
Western Illinois							
UT Martin							
Southeast Missouri St							

GAME 7 | CLEMSON

OFFENSE	'23	'24	'25	'26	Tot	Strk
Tyson Greenwade		5			5	-
Ethan Hunt		12	12	6	30	30
Josiah Lancaster		12		6	18	6
Quay Kindell		4	2	6	12	6
Kade Strickland		3	1	1	5	-
Mekhi Campfield			11	6	17	12
Brandon Musch			2		2	-
Robert Clark			5	3	8	1
Justin Joe			12	6	18	18
Hakeem Watters			1	4	5	4
Dylan Richardson			7	4	11	-
TJ Smith				6	6	6
Hunter Green				3	3	-
Harry Smalls				2	2	-
Lek Powell				5	5	-
Quandre Brooks				4	4	1
Jackson Moseley				2	2	1
Brendan Rolle				1	1	-
Jared Echols				1	1	1

DEFENSE	'23	'24	'25	'26	Tot	Strk
Chandler Perry		9	2		11	-
Steve Zayachowsky	1	12	11	6	30	17
Kason Hooks		2			2	-
Julius Walton		1			1	-
Champ Brantley			10	5	15	5
Jason Hertz			12	6	18	18
CJ Landrum			12	6	18	18
Anthony Carter			4		4	-
Jayden Hancock			6	4	10	1
Anthony Paulk			11	6	17	17
Kiamond Emilien			2	1	3	-
Tristin Lennon			1	5	6	6
Avery Dixon				6	6	6
Dylan Mullins				2	2	-
Taivon Snipe				1	1	-
Isaiah Wyatt				6	6	6
Mylan Bowen				6	6	6
Brandon McDonald				4	4	4
Kendrick Clark				2	2	-

■ TEAM TOTALS GAME-BY-GAME

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GAME 7 | CLEMSON

#	Name	GP/GS	VAN	CCU	LIN	W&M	SCS	GWU	TTU	WIU	ETU	SEMO	UTM	TSU
52	ADDISON, J.	10/0		XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	
95	ATKINS, C.	12/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
4	BALDWIN, K.	11/9	XXX	XXX	START		START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
7	BARTOLO, N.	9/1	START	XXX	XXX	XXX				XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
80	BECKWITH, L.	9/1				XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	XXX	XXX
0	BISHOP, J.	10/7	START	XXX	START			START	XXX	START	START	XXX	XXX	START
80	BOONE, K.	7/0				XXX			XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	XXX
10	BOWAN, M.	12/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
25	BRANTLEY, C.	10/10	START	START			START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
39	BRASELL, J.	3/0				XXX						XXX		XXX
36	BROWN, A.	6/0	XXX					XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX		
1	BROWN, G.	12/12	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
41	BROWN, R.	9/0	XXX	XXX		XXX	XXX		XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	
16	CAMPFIELD, M.	12/11	START	START	START	START	START	XXX	START	START	START	START	START	START
77	CAMPOS, L.	3/0	XXX		XXX	XXX								
9	CARTER, A.	7/4	START	START	XXX	START	START						XXX	XXX
68	CLARK, R.	12/5	START	START	START	START	XXX	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
26	COOK, K.	12/12	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
17	CUNNINGHAM, R.	12/8	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	XXX	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
6	DIXON, A.	10/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX			XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
7	ECHOLS, J.	2/0	XXX						XXX					
11	EMILIEN, K.	4/2	XXX	XXX	START	START								
8	GIL, H.	5/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX							
59	GILLESPIE, E.	2/0					XXX	XXX						
2	GORDON, I.	8/0	XXX		XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX				XXX
46	GORDON, Z.	11/11	START	START		START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
35	GREEN, H.	1/0	XXX											
23	GREENWADE, T.	2/0	XXX	XXX										
14	HALL, S.	10/8	XXX	XXX	START			START	START	START	START	START	START	START
30	HANCOCK, J.	12/6	START	XXX	START	XXX	XXX	START	START	START	START	XXX	XXX	XXX
56	HERTZ, J.	12/12	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
28	HOLLIS, T.	9/1	START	XXX				XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
34	HOOKS, K.	12/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
62	HUNT, E.	12/12	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
75	JOE, J.	12/12	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
93	JORDAN, C.	10/0	XXX		XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX		XXX
96	KENNON, A.	9/0		XXX		XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX		XXX	XXX
8	KINDELL, Q.	10/2	XXX	XXX		XXX	START	XXX	START		XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
98	LAING, W.	12/12	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
71	LANCASTER, J.	12/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
91	LANDRUM, C.J.	12/12	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
85	LEE, H.	4/0				XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX					
44	LENNON, T.	9/												

2025 INDIVIDUAL SUPERLATIVES

MOST BY A BUCCANEER

Rushes	25 by Ke'Marion Baldwin	vs Lindenwood
Yards Rushing	175 by Ke'Marion Baldwin	at Gardner-Webb
TD Rushes	3 by Ke'Marion Baldwin	at Gardner-Webb
Long Rush	89 by Ke'Marion Baldwin	at Gardner-Webb
Pass attempts	38 by Zolten Osborne	vs Eastern Illinois
Pass completions	26 by Zolten Osborne	vs Eastern Illinois
Yards Passing	302 by Zolten Osborne	at SEMO
TD Passes	4 by Zolten Osborne	at Western Illinois
Long Pass	73 by Zolten Osborne	at UT Martin
Receptions	7 by Rashawn Cunningham	at UT Martin
Yards Receiving	216 by Rashawn Cunningham	at UT Martin
TD Receptions	2 by Cunningham / Bishop	at Western Illinois
Long Reception	73 by Rashawn Cunningham	at UT Martin
Field Goals	3 by Zach Gordon	at SEMO
Long Field Goal	38 by Zach Gordon	at Vanderbilt
Punts	9 by Gilbert Brown	at Coastal Carolina
Punting Avg	42.5 by Gilbert Brown	at SEMO
Long Punt	82 by Gilbert Brown	at Coastal Carolina
Long Punt Return	29 by Chris Rhone	vs Lindenwood
Long Kickoff Return	29 by Hakeem Watters	at Coastal Carolina
Tackles	19 by S. Zayachkowsky / J. Waters	at William & Mary / at GWU
Sacks	1.5 Mylan Bowen / Malik McKinzie	vs S.C. State / vs EIU
Interceptions	1 by Multiple Players	-

2025 TEAM SUPERLATIVES

BUCCANEER GAME HIGHS

Rushes	40 vs Tennessee State	-
Yards Rushing	218 at Gardner-Webb	-
Yards Per Rush	6.2 at Gardner-Webb	-
TD Rushes	4 at Gardner-Webb	-
Pass attempts	39 vs Eastern Illinois	-
Pass completions	26 vs Eastern Illinois	-
Yards Passing	289 vs Lindenwood	-
Yards Per Att.	11.0 at UT Martin	-
Yards Per Comp.	19.7 at UT Martin	-
TD Passes	4 at Western Illinois	-
Total Plays	68 vs Eastern Illinois	-
Total Offense	442 vs Lindenwood	-
Yards Per Play	7.6 at Gardner-Webb	-
Points	31 vs South Carolina State	-
Sacks By	4 vs Eastern Illinois	-
First Downs	19 at Western Illinois	-
Penalties	11 vs Lindenwood	-
Penalty Yards	115 vs Lindenwood	-
Turnovers	2 at Vanderbilt, vs Lindenwood, vs Eastern Illinois	-
Interceptions By	3 at Coastal Carolina	-
Punts	9 at Coastal Carolina	-
Punting Avg	42.5 at SEMO	-

BUCCANEERS ON 2025 OPENING OFFENSIVE DRIVES

Game	1st Half	2nd Half
at Vanderbilt	Punt: 3 plays, -3 yards	Punt: 3 plays, 6 yards
at Coastal Carolina	Punt: 4 plays, 6 yards	Punt: 5 plays, 11 yards
Lindenwood	TD: 8 plays, 53 yards	Punt: 5 plays, 24 yards
at William & Mary	Punt: 3 plays, 7 yards	Fumble: 2 plays, 13 yards
S.C State	TD: 4 plays, 71 yards	Punt: 5 plays, 14 yards
at Gardner-Webb	Punt: 3 plays, 7 yards	Punt: 3 plays, 7 yards
Tennessee Tech	Punt: 3 plays, -4 yards	Punt: 3 plays, 6 yards
at Western Illinois	Punt: 3 plays, 4 yards	TD: six plays, 75 yards
Eastern Illinois	Punt: 3 plays, 3 yards	Downs: 10 plays, 60 yards
at Southeast Missouri St.	FG: 8 plays, 71 yards	Fumble: 2 plays (-1 yard)
at UT Martin	Punt: 3 plays, 9 yards	INT: 7 plays, 42 yards
Tennessee State	FGA: 13 plays, 70 yards	Punt: 5 plays, 15 yards

MOST BY AN OPPONENT

Rushes	21 by Rashad Raymond	at William & Mary
Yards Rushing	105 by Carson Gresock	at Gardner-Webb
TD Rushes	3 by Nate Glantz	vs Lindenwood
Long Rush	52 by Dominic Knicely	at Coastal Carolina
Pass attempts	51 by Cason Carswell	at Western Illinois
Pass completions	34 by Cason Carswell	at Western Illinois
Yards Passing	375 by Cason Carswell	at Western Illinois
TD Passes	4 by Tyler Hughes	at William & Mary
Long Pass	63 by Tyler Hughes	at William & Mary
Receptions	10 by Markell Holman	at Western Illinois
Yards Receiving	120 by Phaizon Wilson	at UT Martin
TD Receptions	2 by Jackson Blee	at William & Mary
Long Reception	63 by Jackson Blee	at William & Mary
Field Goals	3 by Charles Violel / Drew Schiller	at Gardner-Webb / vs EIU
Long Field Goal	50 by Nico Cavanillas Alti	vs South Carolina State
Punts	7 by AJ Vinatieri	vs Lindenwood
Punting Avg	51.0 Nick Haberer at Vanderbilt / Emile Sebafundu at Coastal	
Long Punt	64 by Mason Miller	vs Eastern Illinois
Long Punt Return	31 by CJ Bennett / Tre Holloway	vs Lindenwood / S.C. State
Long Kickoff Return	34 by Anthony Lowe	at Gardner-Webb
Tackles	17 by Jacob Waller	vs Lindenwood
Sacks	2 by M. Lunz / J. Walton / K. Johnson	S.C. State / SEMO / UTM
Interceptions	1 by Six Players	-

OPPONENT GAME HIGHS

Rushes	51 by Coastal Carolina	-
Yards Rushing	256 by Tennessee Tech	-
Yards Per Rush	6.5 by Vanderbilt	-
TD Rushes	4 by Lindenwood	-
Pass attempts	51 by Western Illinois	-
Pass completions	34 by Western Illinois	-
Yards Passing	375 by Western Illinois	-
Yards Per Att.	10.0 by Vanderbilt	-
Yards Per Comp.	14.0 at UT Martin	-
TD Passes	4 by William & Mary	-
Total Plays	84 by William & Mary	-
Total Offense	490 by Gardner-Webb	-
Yards Per Play	8.2 by Vanderbilt	-
Points	45 by Vanderbilt	-
Sacks By	4 by Tennessee Tech	-
First Downs	29 by Gardner-Webb	-
Penalties	12 by South Carolina State	-
Penalty Yards	114 by Tennessee Tech	-
Turnovers	3 by Coastal Carolina, South Carolina State, Tennessee Tech	-
Interceptions By	1 by Four Teams	-
Punts	7 by Lindenwood	-
Punting Avg	51.0 by Vanderbilt & Coastal Carolina	-

BUCCANEERS ON 2025 OPENING DEFENSIVE SERIES

Game	1st Half	2nd Half
at Vanderbilt	TD: 8 plays, 75 yards	Punt: 5 plays, 12 yards
at Coastal Carolina	Punt: 6 plays, 13 yards	INT: 7 plays, 41 yards
Lindenwood	Punt: 6 plays, 15 yards	Punt: 3 plays, 3 yards
at William & Mary	Punt: 9 plays, 24 yards	TD: 4 plays, 38 yards
S.C State	Punt: 3 plays, 3 yards	Punt: 3 plays, 6 yards
at Gardner-Webb	FG: 14 plays, 57 yards	Fumble: 9 plays, 76 yards
Tennessee Tech	TD: 7 plays, 40 yards	Punt: 11 plays, 41 yards
at Western Illinois	FG: 10 plays, 41 yards	TD: 9 plays, 75 yards
Eastern Illinois	Punt: 5 plays, 22 yards	Punt: 5 plays, 7 yards
at Southeast Missouri St.	Fumble, 9 plays, 49 yards	TD: 7 plays, 39 yards
at UT Martin	Punt: 5 plays, 19 yards	TD: 3 plays, 52 yards
Tennessee State	Punt: 3 plays -1 yards	FG: 8 plays, 51 yards

ALL-TIME SERIES RECORDS AGAINST 2026 OPPONENTS/CONFERENCES

CLEMSON

(0-1, 0-1 Away)

9/9/2023 L, 17-66 AWAY

EASTERN ILLINOIS

(1-1, 1-0 HOME, 0-1 Away)

11/16/2024 L, 13-16 (OT) AWAY

10/25/2025 W, 17-16 HOME

GARDNER-WEBB

(9-14, 5-6 HOME, 4-8 AWAY)

9/12/1992 L, 56-0 AWAY

ALL-TIME VS OPPONENTS

11/9/2002 L, 57-15 HOME

11/8/2003 L, 46-0 AWAY

11/13/2004 L, 18-0 HOME

11/5/2005 W, 38-7 AWAY

11/4/2006 W, 28-14 HOME

10/27/2007 L, 29-25 AWAY

10/4/2008 W, 13-10 HOME

10/17/2009 L, 27-20 AWAY

10/16/2010 L, 35-25 HOME

10/29/2011 L, 14-7 AWAY

11/10/2012 W, 28-10 HOME

11/16/2013 L, 27-10 AWAY

11/8/2014 #, 44-14 HOME

10/24/2015 #, 34-0 AWAY

11/5/2016 L, 17-10 HOME

11/4/2017 W, 10-9 AWAY

11/10/2018 W, 16-0 HOME

11/2/2019 W, 30-27 AWAY

4/17/2021 W, 20-7 HOME

11/13/2021 W, 32-24 (2OT) AWAY

10/22/2022 L, 14-28 HOME

11/18/2023 L, 10-34 AWAY

11/2/2024 L, 14-17 HOME

104/2025 L, 27-30 AWAY

GEORGIA SOUTHERN

(0-0) *First-Ever Meeting

LINDENWOOD

(1-2, 1-1 Home, 0-1 Away)

10/14/2023 W, 24-10 Home

10/12/2024 L, 14-29 Away

9/13/2025 L, 28-35 Home

POINT

(1-0, 1-0 HOME)

8/28/2014 #, 61-9 HOME

9/23/2017 W, 66-0 HOME

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE

(1-8, 1-4, Home, 0-4 Away)

11/9/1991 L, 12-0 Home

11/14/1992 L 32-0 Home*

9/18/1993 L, 44-10 Away

9/17/1994 L, 37-0 Home

9/16/1995 L, 36-8 Away

9/6/1997 L, 13-12 Away

9/5/1998 L, 17-7 Home

9/4/1999 L, 20-14 Away

9/27/2025 W 31-24 Home

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE

(1-1, 0-1 Home, 1-0 Away)

10/19/2024 L, 13-26 Home

11/1/2025 W 23-17 AWAY

TENNESSEE STATE

(2-1, 2-0 Home, 0-1 Away)

11/4/2023 W, 35-21 HOME

9/28/2024 L, 9-13 AWAY

11/22/2025 W 7-6 HOME

THE CITADEL

(3-8, 0-1 Home, 3-7 Away)

11/21/2002 L, 19-53 AWAY

8/30/2003 L 10-64 AWAY

9/3/2005 L 14-28 AWAY

9/9/2006 W 38-35 AWAY

9/1/2007 L 14-35 AWAY

9/1/2012 L 14-49 AWAY

8/31/2013 W 32-29 AWAY

9/20/2014 # 20-18 HOME

9/26/2015 # 33-20 AWAY

12/5/2025 # 14-6 HOME (PLAYOFFS)

11/29/2018 L, 14-43 AWAY

9/21/2019 L, 13-22 AWAY

9/11/2021 W 38-21 AWAY

8/31/2024 L, 21-22 HOME

UT MARTIN

(0-4, 0-1 Home, 0-3 Away)

11/5/1994 L, 42-14 AWAY

10/21/2023 L, 0-17 AWAY

11/9/2024 L, 14-40 HOME

11/15/2025 L, 14-17 AWAY

WESTERN ILLINOIS

(1-1, 0-1 HOME, 1-0 AWAY)

10/5/2024 L, 20-31 HOME

10/18/2025 W 29-24 AWAY

- indicates wins vacated by the NCAA

HOW CSU FARES AGAINST

...the FBS

Year	Opponent	Score
2002	at South Florida	L, 56-6
2003	at South Florida	L, 55-7
2007	at Hawaii	L, 66-10
2008	at Miami	L, 52-7
2008	at Miami (Ohio)	L, 38-27
2009	at Florida	L, 62-3
2010	at Hawaii	L, 66-7
2010	at Kentucky	L, 49-21
2011	at Florida State	L, 62-10
2011	at Central Florida	L, 62-0
2012	at Illinois	L, 44-0
2013	at Colorado	L, 43-10
2014	at Vanderbilt	L, 21-20
2014	at Georgia	L, 55-9
2015	at Troy	L, 44-16
2015	at Alabama	L, 56-6
2016	at Florida State	L, 52-8
2017	at Mississippi State	L, 49-0
2017	at Indiana	L, 27-0
2018	at Florida	L, 53-6
2019	at South Carolina	L, 72-10
2021	at East Carolina	L, 31-28
2021	at Georgia	L, 56-7
2022	at N.C. State	L, 55-3
2023	at #25 Clemson	L, 66-17
2024	at Florida State	L, 41-7
2025	at Vanderbilt	L, 45-3
2025	at Coastal Carolina	L, 13-0
2026	at Georgia Southern	L, 31-0
2026	at Clemson	???

■ LAST TIME IT HAPPENED (ENTERING THE CITADEL GAME)

■ CHARLESTON SOUTHERN

RUSHING

30 attempts	33 Autavius Ison at Tennessee State 9/28/24
200 yards	229, Autavius Ison vs. Western Illinois 10/5/24
4 TDs	T. Allen vs. Presbyterian 10/20/12
3 TDs	3, Hakeem Watters vs Point, 9/19/26
100-yard Game	102, Hakeem Watters vs Gardner-Webb, 10/3/26
Two 100-Yd performances (same game)	229, A. Ison, 102 T. Greenwade vs. W. Illinois, 10/5/24
BTB 100-yard Games	H. Watters 123 vs Point, 9/19/26, 102 vs Gardner-Webb, 10/3/26

PASSING

30-39 attempts	32, Lek Powell at Lindenwood, 9/27/26
40-49 attempts	45, Ross Malmgren vs Western Carolina, 9/3/22
50 attempts	53 . A. Trudnowski vs. VMI 10/23/10
20-29 completions	26, Zolten Osborne vs Eastern Illinois, 10/25/25
30+ completions	30, Ross Malmgren vs. Western Carolina, 9/3/22
300-399 yards	302, Zolten Osborne, at SEMO 11/1/25
400+ yards	419, C. Drafts vs. Allen 11/6/04
3 TDs	3, Jared Echols, vs South Carolina State, 10/10/26
4 TDs	Zolten Osborne, at Western Illinois, 10/18/25
5 TDs	Ross Malmgren vs. Western Carolina 9/3/22

RECEIVING

10+ receptions	12, Vinson Davis vs. Kennesaw State 10/29/22
150 yards	216, Rashawn Cunningham at UT Martin 11/15/22
200 yards	216, Rashawn Cunningham at UT Martin 11/15/22
Two 100-yard receivers (same game)	N. Perera, 7-128 yards, 2 TD, K. Dinkins, 6-114 yards, 2 TDs vs. Liberty 11/14/15

TOTAL OFFENSE

600 yards	620, Point, 9/23/17
500 yards	582 vs Point, 9/19/26
400 yards	582 vs Point, 9/19/26

FIELD GOALS

50+ yards	52, Matt Rolader at The Citadel, 9/19/26
3 FG made	Z. Gordon, at SEMO 11/1/25
4 FG made	N. Ellis vs. Savannah St., 10/6/07

TOUCHDOWN RETURNS (YARDAGE)

Kickoff	98, Quay Kindell vs South Carolina State, 10/10/26
Punt	60, Hakeem Watters vs. South Carolina State, 10/10/26
Interception	62, Kason Hooks at South Carolina State, 10/10/26
Fumble	63, Champ Brantley vs S.C. State, 9/28/25
Blocked Field Goal	68, P. Ashley vs. Jacksonville State, 9/15/07
Blocked Punt	17, L. Mathis at Vanderbilt, 10/11/14

RUN/PASS DISTANCE

90-yard run	90, A. Singleton at Austin Peay, 10/14/00
80-yard run	89, K. Baldwin at. Gardner-Webb, 10/4/25
70-yard run	89, K. Baldwin at. Gardner-Webb, 10/4/25
60-yard run	62,H. Watters at. Gardner-Webb, 10/3/26
50-yard run	62,H. Watters at. Gardner-Webb, 10/3/26
90-yard pass	97, I. Bess to V. Davis vs FurmanJ. Stills vs. Furman, 9/24/22
80-yard pass	97, I. Bess to V. Davis vs FurmanJ. Stills vs. Furman, 9/24/22
70-yard pass	73, Z. Osborne to R. Cunningham at UT Martin, 11/15/25
60-yard pass	73, Z. Osborne to R. Cunningham at UT Martin, 11/15/25

TEAM

Shutout opponent at home	Point, 65-0, 9/19/26
Shutout opponent on road	at Presbyterian, 7-0, 10/14/17
Played Overtime	at The Citadel (W, 26-20, 20T), 9/12/26
Forced five turnovers	5 at Gardner-Webb, 11/2/19
Scored a safety	M. Taylor at Florida State, 9/10/16
Game-winning field goal	S. Babbush (48 yards) vs. Kennesaw State, 9/30/23
Blocked a punt	Damarcus O'Neal vs Gardner-Webb, 10/3/26
Scored 40 points	49 vs. South Carolina State, 10/10/26
Scored 50 points	65 vs. Point, 9/19/26
Scored 60 points	65 vs. Point, 9/19/26
Blocked a FG	David Portu vs Eastern Illinois, 10/25/25

■ OPPONENTS

RUSHING

30+ attempts	33, J. Farri at Monmouth, 9/18/22
200 yards	221, Pete Guerriero vs. Monmouth, 10/26/19
4 TDs	M. Adkins II, at Colorado, 10/19/13
3 TDs	3, Nate Glantz vs Lindenwood, 9/13/25
Two 100-yard rush (same game)	147 K. Harris, 118 M. Denson at South Carolina, 9/7/19

PASSING

30-39 attempts	47, Cole Pennington, vs Gardner-Webb, 10/3/26
40-49 attempts	47, Cole Pennington, vs Gardner-Webb, 10/3/26
50 attempts	51 .C. Carswell at Western Illinois 10/18/25
20-29 completions	27, Cole Pennington vs Gardner-Webb, 10/3/26
30+ completions	34, Cason Carswell at Western Illinois, 10/18/25
300 yards	375, Cason Carswell at Western Illinois, 10/18/25
400+ yards	408, Bailey Fisher vs Gardner-Webb 10/22/22
3 TDs	4, Tyler Hughes at William & Mary, 9/20/25
4 TDs	4, Tyler Hughes at William & Mary, 9/20/25
5 TDs	5, Cole Gonzalez vs Western Carolina, 9/23/23
6 TDs	B. Moniz at Hawaii, 9/25/10

RECEIVING

10+ receptions	10, Markell Holman at Western Illinois 10/18/25
200+ yards	214, K. Norrell at Stony Brook, 10/06/12
150-199 yards	185, Jayden Higgins at Eastern Kentucky, 9/17/22
3 TDs	3, Jadakis Bonds vs. Hampton, 11/9/19

TOTAL OFFENSE

700 yards	775 at South Carolina, 9/7/19
600 yards	683 at Western Carolina, 9/20/23
500 yards	539 vs. Monmouth, 10/26/19
400 yards	470 vs South Carolina State, 10/10/26

FIELD GOALS

50+ yards	50, Nico Alti vs South Carolina State 9/27/25
5 FG attempts	M. Sharpe at VMI, 10/11/03

TOUCHDOWN RETURNS (YARDAGE)

Kickoff	95, Taymon Cooke vs North Carolina A&T, 11/12/22
Punt	89, J. Wilson at Florida State, 9/10/16
Interception	76, Jabril Hayes at Richmond, 9/14/24
Fumble	70, J. Washington vs. VMI, 10/13/12

RUN/PASS DISTANCE

80-yard run	84, Jah-Maine Martin, 9/14/19
70-yard run	73, Jayden Brown at Gardner-Webb, 11/18/19
60-yard run	73, Jayden Brown at Gardner-Webb, 11/18/19
50-yard run	52, Dominic Knicely at Coastal Carolina 9/6/25
90-yard pass	91, B. Parson vs. Liberty, 11/10/01
80-yard pass	87, K. Hughes, 11/03/07
70-yard pass	71, Kromenhoek to Douglas at Florida State, 11/23/24
60-yard pass	63, Tyler Hughes to Jackson Blee at William & Mary 9/20/25

TEAM

Shutout Charleston Southern on road	at Georgia Southern, 0-31, 9/5/26
Scored 30-39 points	39 vs South Carolina State, 10/10/26
Scored 40-49 points	45 at Vanderbilt, 8/31/25
Scored 50-59 points	77 at Western Carolina, 9/23/23
Scored 60+ points	77 at Western Carolina, 9/23/23
Scored safety	Team vs South Carolina State, 10/10/26
Blocked a field goal	Team vs The Citadel, 9/1/24

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