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SCHEDULES & SCOREBOARDS

MICHIGAN STATE (2-0, 0-0 BIG)

Sept. 4	TOLEDO (FS1)	W, 30-20
Sept. 12	EASTERN MICHIGAN (BTN)	W, 35-7
Sept. 19	at No. 3/3 Notre Dame (NBC/Peacock)	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 26	NEBRASKA	TBA
Oct. 3	at Wisconsin	TBA
Oct. 10	ILLINOIS (HC)	TBA
Oct. 17	NORTHWESTERN	TBA
Oct. 24	at UCLA	TBA
Nov. 7	at Michigan	TBA
Nov. 14	WASHINGTON	TBA
Nov. 20	OREGON (FOX)	8 p.m.
Nov. 28	at Rutgers	TBA

NO. 3/3 NOTRE DAME (2-0)

Sept. 6	vs. Wisconsin (Green Bay, Wis.)	W, 41-13
Sept. 12	RICE	W, 52-0
Sept. 19	MICHIGAN STATE	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 26	at Purdue	TBA
Oct. 3	at North Carolina	TBA
Oct. 10	STANFORD	3:30 p.m.
Oct. 17	at BYU	TBA
Oct. 31	vs. Navy (Foxboro, Mass.)	12 p.m.
Nov. 7	MIAMI (FLA.)	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 14	BOSTON COLLEGE	3:30 p.m.
Nov. 21	SMU	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 28	at Syracuse	TBA

• All times listed – Eastern. Rankings – CFP/AP/Coaches

MEDIA COVERAGE

TV: NBC

STREAMING: Peacock

Play-by-Play: Noah Eagle

Analyst: Todd Blackledge

Sidelines: Kathryn Tappen



NBC

RADIO: SPARTAN MEDIA NETWORK

Play-by-Play: George Blaha

Analyst: Jehuu Caulcrick

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GAME

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MICHIGAN STATE (2-0) AT NO. 3/3 NOTRE DAME (2-0)

Date..... Saturday, Sept. 19
Kickoff..... 7:36 p.m. ET
Location..... Notre Dame, Ind.
Stadium..... Notre Dame Stadium (77,622)
Surface..... FieldTurf
TV..... NBC
Streaming/Mobile..... Peacock
Live Stats..... und.com
Tickets..... Sold Out
All-Time Series..... UND leads, 49-29-1
Series at UND..... UND leads, 29-14
Last Meeting..... UND 38, MSU 18 (2017 at MSU)
Current Series Streak... 1 by Notre Dame (2017-)



Head Coach

Pat Fitzgerald

MSU Record

2-0 (first year)

Overall Record

112-101 (18th year)

Record vs. UND

1-1



Head Coach

Marcus Freeman

UND Record

45-12 (fifth year)

Overall Record

45-12 (fifth year)

Record vs. MSU

0-0

• Off to a 2-0 start under first-year head coach **Pat Fitzgerald**, Michigan State heads to No. 3/3 Notre Dame on Saturday, Sept. 19 to take on the Fighting Irish for the Megaphone Trophy at 7:30 p.m. in Notre Dame Stadium. The game will be televised on NBC and streamed on Peacock with Noah Eagle (play-by-play), Todd Blackledge (analyst) and Kathryn Tappen (sidelines) on the call.

• MSU defeated Eastern Michigan, 35-7, last Saturday in Spartan Stadium. The Spartans led 14-7 at halftime and rattled off 21 unanswered points in the second half en route to the victory. Michigan State compiled 472 yards of total offense and rushed for 258 yards, the most on the ground for the Spartans since Sept. 10, 2022, against Akron (260). MSU started the Fitzgerald era with a 30-20 win over Toledo on Sept. 4.

• Notre Dame is also 2-0 after recording a 52-0 shutout over Rice in the home opener for the Fighting Irish last Saturday. UND opened the season with a 41-13 win against Wisconsin at Lambeau Field in Green Bay.

• One of the winningest coaches in Big Ten history, **Fitzgerald** was named Michigan State's 27th head coach on Dec. 1, 2025. Over 17 seasons as the head coach at Northwestern from 2006-22, Fitzgerald won 110 games, while guiding the Wildcats to 10 bowl games, five AP Top 25 finishes and a pair of appearances in the Big Ten Football Championship Game after winning the Big Ten West Division title in both 2018 and 2020. He was named the 2018 Big Ten Coach of the Year, and in 2020, won the Dodd Trophy Coach of the Year Award after leading the Wildcats to a No. 10 national ranking and a win in the Citrus Bowl over Auburn.

• Fitzgerald's 112 wins rank 12th all-time for a Big Ten football coach, while his five bowl game victories rank tied for 12th among conference coaches.

• Saturday's game marks the 80th meeting between Michigan State and Notre Dame. The Irish lead the all-time series 49-29-1, including a 29-14 record in games played at Notre Dame. The Spartans have won 11 of the last 19 meetings in the series. Eleven of the last 16 games in the series have been decided by one score or less. The two teams haven't met since Notre Dame defeated MSU in Spartan Stadium in 2017, 38-18, but the Spartans beat the Irish in the last matchup at Notre Dame with a 36-28 win in 2016.

• Michigan State ranks second among opponents in all-time victories (29) over Notre Dame. Only USC (38) has posted more wins over the Irish than the Spartans.



2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

WEEKLY MEDIA PLANNER

Monday, Sept. 14	Tuesday, Sept. 15	Wednesday, Sept. 16	Thursday, Sept. 17	Friday, Sept. 18	Saturday, Sept. 19	Sunday, Sept. 20
12 p.m. Head coach Pat Fitzgerald press conference at Spartan Stadium North End Zone Media Center.	12 p.m. Selected offensive assistant coaches and players available for interviews at Skandalaris Football Center. Game notes available on msuspartans.com	11:50 a.m. Selected defensive assistant coaches and players available for interviews at Skandalaris Football Center. 7-8 p.m. Pat Fitzgerald radio show on Spartan Media Network, msuspartans.com, Michigan State Athletics mobile app, and MSU football social media accounts. <i>Location:</i> One North, 1310 Abbot Rd., East Lansing	No media availability.	No media availability.	7:36 p.m. Kickoff vs. Notre Dame • TV: NBC • Streaming: Peacock • Radio: Spartan Media Network/msuspartans.com MSU head coach Pat Fitzgerald and players available in post-game press conference. 	Off day.

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2026 SEASON

• All requests for working press, photo and broadcast credentials for Michigan State's 2026 home football games should be submitted online. Please contact the Spartan Ventures Communications office at (517) 355-2271 for the website.

• Priority for the issuance of credentials will be given to daily print/digital media outlets and radio and television stations which cover MSU football on a regular basis.

PRESS BOX

• The Spartan Stadium press box, located on level eight, is the working press deck for reporters that features 193 seats and three radio broadcast booths. Level six is the television camera deck as well as the broadcast location for national telecasts. Admission to the press box is through Gate F on the west side of the stadium. All press personnel are subject to search prior to entering Spartan Stadium.

POST-GAME PRESS CONFERENCES

• Post-game press conferences from both head coaches are conducted in the media center on the lower level of the north end zone facility at Spartan Stadium. Reporters can access the media center from the concourse. Selected Spartan players will also be available for interviews following the game. Quotes from both coaches and selected players will be posted online at msuspartans.com approximately one hour after the game.

MEDIA INTERVIEWS

• Outside the weekly press conference, interviews during the week with coaches or any Spartan players should be arranged through the Spartan Ventures Communications office. The best time for player interviews is following practice on Tuesday. All player interviews should be completed by Wednesday. Please contact the Spartan Ventures Communications office for all player interview requests at least 24 hours in advance.

GAME NOTES/POST-GAME MATERIALS

• Upon request, a final statistics book, quotes and notes can be e-mailed to media members approximately 90 minutes after the conclusion of the game. To be added to the list, please e-mail football contact Ben Phlegar. In addition, statistics, game notes and quotes will be posted on msuspartans.com after the game.

Please note that all media policies are subject to change.

RESOURCES/PROGRAMMING

MSUSPARTANS.COM

• The official website of Michigan State Athletics, msuspartans.com, is the most complete source of information on the Spartans, featuring the 2026 media guide, news releases, schedules, rosters, bios, statistics, game notes, photos, videos, archives and more. A complete video from the weekly press conference is available on the website Monday afternoon; weekly releases are available on Monday evenings. Each game day, the website will have stats, quotes and notes following the conclusion of the game.

SPARTAN VIDEO GOOGLE DRIVE UPDATES

Links to download footage for broadcast television use only will be emailed when footage is made available. For questions or to be added to the list, please contact Ben Phlegar.

SPARTAN MEDIA NETWORK

The Spartan Media Network is the radio and audio streaming broadcast partner of Michigan State Athletics. The Spartan Media Network has 20 radio affiliates, including three flagship stations that anchor the network: Detroit's WJR 760-AM, Lansing's WVFN 730/WJIM 1240-AM and 94.9 WMMQ-FM. The Spartan Media Network extends its programming nationally and worldwide via partnerships with SiriusXM and TuneIn radio. Free game broadcasts are also available at msuspartans.com/watch and on the official MSU Athletics mobile app.

PAT FITZGERALD SHOW

The Spartan Media Network produces and distributes Pat Fitzgerald's weekly radio program Wednesdays from 7-8 p.m. ET (note: show is on Tuesdays from 7-8 p.m. when MSU plays on Friday nights). Spartan announcers Jehuu Caulcrick and Dalton Shetler host the live show, featuring insight from coaches, players, special guests, features and phone calls. The radio show can be heard on the Spartan Media Network statewide, in addition to msuspartans.com/watch and the MSU Athletics mobile app. The show is also available via a live webstream on Michigan State football's social media accounts (Facebook: Michigan State Football; X: @msu_football).

THE SPARTAN WAY: A SEASON WITH MSU FOOTBALL

"The Spartan Way: A Season with MSU Football," presented by Farm Bureau Insurance, is a docuseries providing an exclusive look at Michigan State football. The series airs on MSU's football social media platforms throughout the season. The show is produced by the Emmy award-winning Spartan Vision team.



QUICK GLANCE AT THE SPARTANS

• Michigan State has 62 newcomers on the 2026 roster, including 32 transfers and 30 freshmen. The Spartans have 49 returning players in 2026, including 16 letterwinners from last season.

► SPARTANS ANNOUNCE CAPTAINS FOR 2026 SEASON

• The Spartans announced six team captains for the 2026 season on Aug. 24, as voted on by their teammates. The six team captains are junior punter **Rhys Dakin**, fifth-year center **Trent Fraley**, senior linebacker **Jordan Hall**, fifth-year safety **Nikai Martinez**, redshirt sophomore quarterback **Alessio Milivojevic** and fifth-year rush end **Kenny Soares Jr.**

• The six captains tie the 1998 team for the most on a Spartan team.

► CAM EDWARDS LEADS BIG TEN IN RUSHING AFTER TWO GAMES

• Fifth-year graduate transfer running back **Cam Edwards** leads the Big Ten and ranks tied for fifth in the FBS in rushing after collecting 250 yards (125.0 ypg) on the ground in his first two games as a Spartan. He also ranks tied for third in the conference with three rushing touchdowns.

• Edwards ran for 152 yards and two TDs on 21 carries in the win over Eastern Michigan; it marked the most rushing yards by a Spartan running back since Kenneth Walker III had 197 against Michigan in 2021.

• In his Spartan debut, Edwards carried the ball a career-high 27 times for 98 yards and one TD in the win over Toledo.

• Edwards, who is on the Maxwell Award Watch List and Doak Walker Award Watch List, currently ranks fourth among active FBS players with 2,940 career rushing yards and fifth with 30 rushing touchdowns.

• Edwards played the last four seasons (2022-25) at UConn and posted career highs for rushing yards (1,240), rushing touchdowns (15), carries (210), receptions (19) and receiving yards (187) for the Huskies in 2025, finishing the year ranked among the FBS Top 25 leaders in six categories (tied for ninth in TDs with 16; tied for 13th in rushing TDs; 15th in rushing yards; 17th in rushing yards per game; 22nd in all-purpose yards; 23rd in yards per carry).

► QUARTERBACK ALESSIO MILIVOJEVIC RETURNS AT QB FOR THE SPARTANS

• Redshirt sophomore quarterback **Alessio Milivojevic** has started the last six games for the Spartans, including the final four games of the 2025 season and the first two of this season (3-3 record).

• Milivojevic ranks sixth in the Big Ten with his .704 completion percentage (38-of-54) through the first two games. He has thrown for 417 yards (208.5 ypg) with three touchdowns and no interceptions.

• Overall in nine games of action as a redshirt freshman in 2025, Milivojevic connected on 64 percent of his throws (111-of-173) for 1,267 yards, 10 touchdowns and three interceptions. In his four starts, he completed 58 percent of his passes (79-of-136) for 986 yards and seven touchdowns.

► TWO-TIME CAPTAIN JORDAN HALL LEADS SPARTAN DEFENSE

• Senior linebacker **Jordan Hall**, who is the first Spartan linebacker to be named a captain in back-to-back years since Joe Bachie (2018-19), is back to lead the defense in 2026. Hall had four tackles, including a 3-yard TFL, in the season opener against Toledo.

• Hall enters 2026 as a first-team All-Big Ten preseason selection by Phil Steele. He was also named to preseason watch lists for the Bednarik Award (best defensive player), the Butkus Award (nation's top linebacker) and the Wuerffel Trophy (premier community service award in college football).

• Hall recorded a career-high 88 tackles last season, including 4.5 TFLs and 2.5 sacks to go along with three forced fumbles, an interception, a fumble recovery and a pass break-up, to earn honorable mention All-Big Ten honors.

► ELI COENEN OFF TO STRONG START ON THE DEFENSIVE LINE

• Fourth-year defensive lineman **Eli Coenen**, a transfer from Illinois, is off to a strong start to his Spartan career. He was named the Spartan Defensive Player of the Week with three tackles, an 11-yard sack and a pass break-up vs. Toledo, and earned the honor for the second week in a row after recording four tackles with two sacks against Eastern Michigan.

• Coenen currently ranks first in the Big Ten with his three sacks. As a team, the Spartans rank tied for third in the conference with six sacks.

MICHIGAN STATE QUICK FACTS

► GENERAL INFORMATION

Location: East Lansing, Mich.
Enrollment: 51,838 (fall 2025)
Conference: Big Ten
Nickname: Spartans
Colors: Green and White
President: Kevin Guskiewicz
Athletics Director: Dan Bartholomae
Stadium (Capacity): Spartan Stadium (74,866)
Surface: Natural Grass
Press Box Number: 517-353-0630

► FOOTBALL HISTORY

All-Time Record: 727-502-44 (.593)*
**MSU vacated 14 wins from the 2022 (five), 2023 (four) and 2024 (five) seasons as part of a negotiated resolution with NCAA due to infractions*
First Season of Football: 1896
Bowl Games: 30 (14-16)
National Championships: 6 (1951, 1952, 1955, 1957, 1965, 1966)
Big Ten Championships: 9 (1953, 1965, 1966, 1978, 1987, 1990, 2010, 2013, 2015)
Big Ten Division Championships: 3 (2011, 2013, 2015)
College Football Playoff appearances: 1 (2015)
New Year's Six bowl appearances: 3 (2015 Cotton Bowl Classic, 2015 CFP Semifinal at Cotton Bowl Classic, 2021 Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl)

► PERSONNEL SNAPSHOT

Total Players on Roster: 111
Returning Players: 49
Newcomers: 62 (32 transfers, 30 freshmen)
Lettermen Lost: 46 (16 offense, 25 defense, 5 specialists)
Lettermen Returning: 16 (9 offense, 7 defense, 0 specialists)
Starters Lost: 18 (7 offense, 8 defense, 3 specialists)
Starters Returning: 7 (4 offense, 3 defense, 0 specialists)
Incoming Transfers: 32 (13 offense, 15 defense, 4 special teams)



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2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL STAFF

► COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Pat Fitzgerald (first year; Northwestern 1997)

Record at MSU: 2-0 (first season)

Career Record: 112-101 (18th season)

Assistant Head Coach/Special Teams Coordinator: LeVar Woods (first year; Iowa, 2000)

Offensive Coordinator:

Nick Sheridan (first year; Michigan, 2010)

Defensive Coordinator:

Joe Rossi (third year; Allegheny College, 2001)

Co-Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers:

Max Bullough (first year; Michigan State, 2014)

Safeties Coach:

James Adams (second year; Wake Forest, 2006)

Rush Ends:

Andrew Bindelglass (third year; Tufts, 2017)

Defensive Line:

Winston DeLattiboudere III (first year; Minnesota, 2018)

Wide Receivers:

Courtney Hawkins (seventh year; Michigan State)

Quarterbacks:

John McNulty (first year; Penn State, 1991)

Cornerbacks:

Hank Poteat (first year; Pittsburgh, 2011)

Running Backs:

Devon Spalding (first year; Central Michigan, 2019)

Offensive Line:

Nick Tabacca (first year; Ball State, 2004)

Tight Ends:

Brian Wozniak (third year; Wisconsin, 2014)

Assistant Quarterbacks Coach:

Morgan Bequeaith (first year)

Assistant Running Backs Coach:

Grover Bortolotti (first year)

Assistant Defensive Line Coach:

Jake Chaney (first year)

Assistant Cornerbacks Coach:

Elijah Douglass (second year)

Assistant Secondary Coach:

Ted Flaherty (first year)

Assistant Special Teams Coach:

Zac Garvin (first year)

Assistant Linebackers Coach:

Chris Gordon (fourth year)

Assistant Offensive Line Coach:

Colin Johnson (first year)

Assistant Tight Ends Coach:

Jacob Lail (fifth year)

Assistant Special Teams Coordinator:

Josh Robinson (first year)

Assistant Wide Receivers Coach:

Dominic Spalding (first year)

Volunteer Offensive Line Coach:

Matt Allen (first year)

► ADMINISTRATIVE/PERSONNEL/RECRUITING STAFF

Chief of Staff: Jacob Schmidt (first year)

General Manager: Bryan Gasser (first year)

Director of Football Operations:

Alex Knisely (first year)

Director of Football Strategy/Special Assistant to the Head Coach:

Riley Lees (first year)

Executive Director of Player Personnel:

Antwon Murray (second year)

Director of Player Personnel:

Sean Levy (seventh year)



LAST TIME OUT: MICHIGAN STATE 35, EASTERN MICHIGAN 7

► GAME RECAP

• Michigan State scored 21 unanswered points in the second half en route to a 35-7 victory over Eastern Michigan at Spartan Stadium last Saturday afternoon.

• Redshirt sophomore quarterback **Alessio Milivojevic** completed 12-of-20 passes for 170 yards and two touchdowns, while graduate running back **Cam Edwards** rushed for 152 yards with a pair of touchdowns on 21 attempts. Graduate quarterback **Cam Fancher** completed 6-of-6 passes for 44 yards and rushed for eight more yards on two carries.

• Redshirt freshman tight end **Jayden Savoury** led MSU with four receptions, good for a career-best 63 yards, including a 46-yard catch-and-run in the fourth quarter. Leading the Spartans in receiving yards was redshirt freshman **Charles Taplin** who caught three passes for a career-best 65 yards and his first career touchdown on a 38-yard strike.

• Redshirt sophomore linebacker **Brady Pretzlaff** tallied a career-high eight tackles, tying redshirt junior safety **Devin Vaughn** for the team high. Redshirt junior **Eli Coenen** led the Spartans with two sacks. Graduate cornerback **Charles Brantley** forced and recovered a third quarter fumble.

► SPARTAN PLAYERS OF THE GAME

• **Offense:** #19 R-Fr. WR **Charles Taplin** (3 catches for 65 yards, 1 TD)

• **Offensive Playmaker:** #52 Gr. OL **Nick Sharpe**

• **Defense:** #96 R-Jr. DL **Eli Coenen** (4 tackles, 2 sacks for 11 yards, 1 QB hurry)

• **Defensive Playmaker:** #4 Gr. CB **Charles Brantley** (4 tackles, 1 FF, 1 FR)

• **Special Teams:** #13 R-Sr. PR **Chrishon McCray** (1 PR for 31 yards to set up MSU touchdown)

► SCORING SUMMARY

• Michigan State opened the game's scoring on its second drive, following a **Chrishon McCray** 31-yard punt return that gave the Spartans on the EMU 24-yard line. Three plays later, **Alessio Milivojevic** found **Fredrick Moore** in the end zone for an 18-yard touchdown pass at the 6:32 mark in the first quarter.

• MSU went up 14-0 midway through the second quarter after capitalizing on a 16-play, 80-yard drive in 7:19 with a 1-yard TD run by **Cam Edwards**. Eastern Michigan got on the board late in the first half with 1:50 remaining as Noah Kim ran it in 4 yards for a touchdown that cut the Spartan lead to 14-7.

• The Spartans took their first possession of the second half and marched right down the field, driving 75 yards on 13 plays while taking 6:10 off the clock, capped by a 2-yard TD run by Edwards, his second of the game.

• **After Charles Brantley** forced a fumble on EMU's next series, Michigan State took advantage of the turnover as Milivojevic connected on a 38-yard touchdown pass to **Charles Taplin** to make it 28-7 in favor of MSU with 5:46 remaining in the third quarter. It marked Taplin's first career TD reception. Two series later, Edwards busted loose for a game-long rush of 40 yards to set up **Jaziun Patterson's** 7-yard TD run that gave MSU a 35-7 advantage with 7:48 left in the game.

► OFFENSIVE NOTES

• Michigan State scored five touchdowns on its nine offensive drives . . . after five field goals and two TDs against Toledo, the Spartans scored five TDs vs. EMU and now have seven TDs and five FGs for 12 scores out of 19 drives.

• The Spartans had four drives of 10 plays or more, scoring on two of them, with a 16-play drive that ended with a TD in the first quarter, a 13-play that ended with a TD in the third quarter, a 12-play drive that ended with a punt in the second quarter and a 10-play drive to run out the clock at the end of the game.

• Michigan State amassed 472 yards of total offense, which was the Spartans' highest offensive output since game 2 of the 2024 season with 484 yards at Maryland (Sept. 7, 2024).

• MSU's 258 yards rushing were the most since game 2 of the 2022 season with 260 yards vs. Akron (Sept. 10, 2022).

• Graduate running back **Cam Edwards** had 152 rushing yards on 21 carries and two TDs . . . Edwards is MSU's first running back with 150+ rushing yards in game since Kenneth Walker III had 197 yards vs. Michigan on Oct. 30, 2021.

• Edwards' 21 carries marked his second straight outing as a Spartan with 20+ rushing attempts after a career-high 27 last time out vs. Toledo . . . overall it was Edwards' eighth career game with 20 or more carries.



• The 152-yard rushing outing was his first 100-yard outing as a Spartan and the 10th 100-yard rushing outing of his collegiate career after nine during his three seasons at UConn . . . it was his fourth 100-yard outing in his last five games, ending the 2025 season with three straight before the streak came to an end with 98 yards last time out in his Spartan debut, but back on track last Saturday with the 152 yards.

• With the two rushing TDs, Edwards tied his career-high for the sixth time of his career, and the first time since two in UConn's game vs. FAU (11/22/25) . . . it was Edwards' third outing with two TDs out of his last five games played.

• Graduate running back **Jaziun Patterson** scored his first rushing TD as a Spartan and his fifth career score, with four rushing TDs during his four seasons at Iowa (2022-25).

► DEFENSIVE NOTES

• The Spartan defense forced one takeaway for the second game in a row with a fumble recovery, along with a season-high 4.0 sacks of former MSU QB and current EMU QB Noah Kim, along with a season-high 7.0 tackles for loss, three pass break-ups and six QB hurries.

• Redshirt junior safety **Devin Vaught** and redshirt sophomore linebacker **Brady Pretzlaff** led MSU's defense in tackles for the second straight game, this time tying with a season-best eight stops apiece.

• Redshirt junior defensive lineman **Eli Coenen** finished with 2.0 sacks, the most of his Division I career, and tied his collegiate career-high with 2.0 sacks during the 2024 season while at Division II Bemidji State in a contest vs. Western Colorado (11/30/24).

• Graduate edge **Kenny Soares Jr.** posted a career-high 1.5 tackles for loss, topping his previous career-best of 1.0 TFLs a total of nine previous times in his career (2022-24 at Northwestern; 2025 at NC State), last doing so last season vs. Memphis (12/19/25).

• With his forced fumble and recovery in the third quarter, graduate cornerback **Charles Brantley** logged the first forced fumble and fumble recovery of his six-year collegiate career.

► SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES

• Graduate placekicker **Liam Boyd** had five PATs, the second-most of his collegiate career behind his career-best of six PATs during his time at Charlotte, which came in a game vs. Monmouth (9/13/25).

• Junior punter **Rhys Dakin** had a season-long 59-yard punt that was downed at the EMU 3-yard line . . . it was Dakin's longest punt as a Spartan and the 27th 50+ yarder of his collegiate career with 26 during his two seasons at Iowa . . . the 59-yarder was the fourth-longest of his career, behind his career-long of 65 yards, along with two punts of 61 yards . . . it marked his second punt inside the 10 this season and the 14th punt inside the 10 of his collegiate career as part of the 49th career punt inside the 20.



► *Cam Edwards rushed for 152 yards against Eastern Michigan, the most by a Spartan running back since Kenneth Walker III had 197 yards vs. Michigan in 2021.*

2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL STAFF

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Assistant Director of Player Personnel and Scouting: AJ Pearson (first year)

Assistant Director of Player Personnel: Michael Morales (second year)

Player Personnel: Analyst: Frank Herzog (second year)

Personnel Assistants:

Andrew Franklin, JoJo Hawkins

Director of Player Engagement:

Kurt Richardson (fourth year)

Director of Football Technology:

Dustin Smith (second year)

Director of Football Digital and Brand Strategy:

Nicklos Bristol (third year)

Director of Football Creative Video:

Allen Bernard (second year)

Assistant Directors of Football Creative: Dylan

Gray (fourth year), Cole Burney (first year)

Assistant Director of Football Technology:

Colin Ludema (fifth year)

Director of Recruiting Communications:

Malik Gill (second year)

Assistant Director of Football Recruiting Operations: Madilyn Weigand (third year)

Assistant Director of Football Operations:

Sam Verne (first year)

Office Assistant: Cindy Mejorado (28th year)

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Head Strength & Conditioning Coach - Football:

Joel Welsh (first year)

Assistant Strength & Conditioning Coaches:

Darren Bailey (first year), Michael DeRoy (first year),

Corbin Ferry (first year), Matt Flannery (first year)

► ATHLETIC PERFORMANCE

Director of Sports Science: Dr. Bill Burghardt (15th

► SPORTS MEDICINE AND PERFORMANCE

Head Football Athletic Trainer: Steve Gaul (second year)

Assistant Football Athletic Trainers: Theo Bel-

homme (fifth year); Jael Funte (fourth year); Teagan

Puckett (third year)

► SPARTANS FUEL STAFF

Head Football Performance Dietitian: Jazmine

Belmar (second year)

► EQUIPMENT STAFF

Head Football Equipment Manager: Andrew

Kolpacki (eighth year)

Asst. Football Equipment Managers: Jacob Crane

(sixth year), Jacob Guskiewicz (second year)

► ACADEMIC STAFF

Senior Associate AD/Executive Director for Student-Athlete Support Services:

Todd Edwards (23rd year)

Associate AD/Director of Academic Services:

Mandy Chandler (29th year)

Academic Coordinator: Demetrius Miller (first year)



2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

TOP SINGLE-GAME PERFORMANCES (at MSU only)

► PASSING

#11 R-So. QB Alessio Milivojevic

Yds.	Opponent (C-A-I)	Date
311	Minnesota (20-28-0)	11/1/25
292	Maryland (27-39-1)	11/29/25
255	Iowa (25-42-1)	11/22/25
247	Toledo (26-34-0)	9/4/2026

► RUSHING

#0 Gr.-5 RB Cam Edwards

Yds.	Opponent (Catches)	Date
152	Eastern Michigan (21)	9/12/26

► RECEIVING

#3 Gr.-5 WR Rodney Bullard Jr.

Yds.	Opponent (Catches)	Date
102	Minnesota (4)	11/1/25

► TACKLES

#5 Sr. LB Jordan Hall Tackles

Total	Opponent (S-A)	Date
15	Boston College (9-6)	9/6/25
10	Minnesota (7-3)	11/1/25

#21 Gr.-5 S Nikai Martinez Tackles

Total	Opponent (S-A)	Date
10	Minnesota (7-3)	11/1/25

MSU TOP SINGLE-GAME PERFORMANCES VS. NOTRE DAME

RUSHING

Player (Att.)	Yards	Year
Javon Ringer (39)	201	2008

PASSING

Player (C-A)	Yards	Year
Brian Lewerke (31-51)	340	2017
Kirk Cousins (34-53)	329	2011
Drew Stanton (16-27)	327	2005
Ed Smith (27-41)	306	1978
Kirk Cousins (23-35)	302	2009

RECEIVING

Player (Rec.)	Yards	Year
Charles Rogers (7)	175	2002



MICHIGAN STATE-NOTRE DAME SERIES NOTES

► STAT COMPARISON (CONFERENCE RANK, FBS RANK)

	Michigan State	Notre Dame
Scoring Offense	32.5 (12/63)	46.5 (-/21)
Total Offense	434.5 (9/52)	414.0 (-/67)
Rushing Offense	204.0 (6/40)	114.5 (-/116)
Passing Offense	230.5 (12/66)	299.5 (-/26)
Time of Possession	37:19 (1/2)	31:57 (-/44)
Third Down Conversions	.485 (8/43)	.476 (-/45)
Red Zone Offense	.889 (9/61)	.900 (-/54)
Sacks Allowed	2.50 (15/104)	0.50 (-/11)
Scoring Defense	13.5 (7/35)	6.5 (-/5)
Total Defense	246.0 (6/24)	206.0 (-/13)
Rushing Defense	89.0 (5/39)	65.5 (-/14)
Passing Defense	157.0 (8/38)	140.5 (-/23)
Third Down Conversions Defense	.333 (10/54)	.280 (-/34)
Red Zone Defense	1.000 (8/89)	.667 (-/22)
Sacks Per Game	3.00 (2/18)	1.50 (-/80)
Turnover Margin	+0.50 (7/42)	+3.00 (-/3)
Turnovers Gained/Lost	2/1 (8/75, 6/21)	6/0 (-/4, -/1)
Fewest Penalties Per Game	4.00 (2/17)	3.0 (-/3)
Fewest Penalty Yards Per Game	37.5 (5/26)	30.5 (-/13)

► STAT LEADERS

Michigan State:

Rushing – Gr. Cam Edwards (48 carries for 250 yards, 5.2 avg., 3 TDs, 125.0 ypg)

Passing – R-So. Alessio Milivojevic (38-of-54, .704, 417 yards, 3 TDs, 0 INTs, 208.5 ypg)

Receiving – Gr. Rodney Bullard Jr. (10 receptions for 116 yards, 11.6 avg., 1 TD, 58.0 ypg)

Tackles – Two players with 13 tackles (LB Brady Pretzlaff, S Devin Vaught)

Notre Dame:

Rushing – Jr. Aneyas Williams (29 carries for 119 yards, 4.1 avg., 2 TDs, 59.5 ypg)

Passing – Jr. CJ Carr (35-of-49, .714, 492 yards, 6 TDs, 0 INTs, 246.0 ypg)

Receiving – Fr. Jordan Faison (8 receptions for 135 yards, 16.9 avg., 2 TDs, 67.5 ypg)

Tackles – Sr. LB Jaiden Ausberry (12 tackles, 1.0 TFLs, 1 FR)

► SERIES NOTES

• Saturday's game marks the 80th meeting between Michigan State and Notre Dame. The Irish lead the all-time series 49-29-1, including a 29-14 record in games played at Notre Dame. The series dates back 129 years ago as Notre Dame won the first meeting, 34-6, on Nov. 25, 1897.

ALL-TIME SERIES RESULTS VS. NOTRE DAME

Overall: 29-49-1

H: 15-20-1; A: 14-29-0

1897	L	6-34	A	1960	W	21-0	A	1987	L	8-31	A
1961	W	17-7	H	1961	W	17-7	H	1988	L	3-20	H
1962	W	31-7	A	1962	W	31-7	A	1989	L	13-21	A
1963	W	12-7	H	1963	W	12-7	H	1990	L	19-20	H
1964	L	7-34	A	1964	L	7-34	A	1991	L	10-49	A
1965	W	12-3	A	1965	W	12-3	A	1992	L	31-52	H
1966	T	10-10	H	1966	T	10-10	H	1993	L	14-36	A
1967	L	12-24	A	1967	L	12-24	A	1994	L	20-21	H
1968	W	21-17	H	1968	W	21-17	H	1997	W	23-7	A
1969	L	28-42	A	1969	L	28-42	A	1998	W	45-23	H
1970	L	0-29	H	1970	L	0-29	H	1999	W	23-13	A
1971	L	2-14	A	1971	L	2-14	A	2000	W	27-21	H
1972	L	0-16	H	1972	L	0-16	H	2001	W	17-10	A
1973	L	10-14	A	1973	L	10-14	A	2002	L	17-21	H
1974	L	14-19	H	1974	L	14-19	H	2003	W	22-16	A
1975	W	10-3	A	1975	W	10-3	A	2004	L	24-31	H
1976	L	6-24	H	1976	L	6-24	H	2005	W	44-41 (OT)	A
1977	L	6-16	A	1977	L	6-16	A	2006	L	37-40	H
1978	L	25-29	H	1978	L	25-29	H	2007	W	31-14	A
1979	L	3-27	A	1979	L	3-27	A	2008	W	23-7	H
1980	L	21-26	H	1980	L	21-26	H	2009	L	30-33	A
1981	L	7-20	A	1981	L	7-20	A	2010	W	34-31 (OT)	H
1982	L	3-11	H	1982	L	3-11	H	2011	L	13-31	A
1983	W	28-23	A	1983	W	28-23	A	2012	L	3-20	H
1984	L	20-24	H	1984	L	20-24	H	2013	L	13-17	A
1985	L	10-27	A	1985	L	10-27	A	2016	W	36-28	A
1986	W	20-15	H	1986	W	20-15	H	2017	L	18-38	H



- The Spartans have won 11 of the last 19 meetings in the series.
- Eleven of the last 16 games in the series have been decided by one score or less.
- The two teams haven't met since Notre Dame defeated MSU in Spartan Stadium in 2017, 38-18, but the Spartans beat the Irish in the last matchup at Notre Dame with a 36-28 win in 2016.

• The Spartans recorded six straight victories in Notre Dame Stadium from 1997-2007. The six-game winning streak was the longest run by an Irish opponent in the history of Notre Dame Stadium.

► COACH FITZGERALD OWNS VICTORIES AS PLAYER AND COACH AT NOTRE DAME STADIUM

• **Pat Fitzgerald** has recorded wins at Notre Dame Stadium as both a player and coach during his career at Northwestern.

• As a player, Fitzgerald and the Wildcats upset No. 9 Notre Dame in the 1995 season opener at Notre Dame Stadium on Sept. 2, 17-15. Northwestern ended up winning the Big Ten Championship that season and earned a berth in the Rose Bowl against USC.

• As a coach, Fitzgerald led his Wildcats to a 43-40 victory in overtime on Nov. 15, 2014, at No. 18 Notre Dame, coached by Brian Kelly.

► MSU-NOTRE DAME CONNECTIONS

• MSU co-defensive coordinator/linebackers **Max Bullough** spent the past three seasons (2023-25) coaching under Marcus Freeman at Notre Dame. Bullough joined the UND staff in 2023 as a graduate assistant on defense before getting promoted to linebackers coach in 2024.

• Fourth-year wide receiver **KK Smith** spent his first three seasons at Notre Dame (2023-25) before transferring to Michigan State in January. Smith had 11 catches for 161 yards and two TDs in 17 games for the Irish.

• Michigan State's veteran play-by-play radio announcer **George Blaha** graduated from Notre Dame in 1966 with a degree in economics. Blaha is in his 50th year as the Spartans' radio voice.

► SPARTANS RANK SECOND IN ALL-TIME VICTORIES VS. NOTRE DAME

• Michigan State ranks second among opponents in all-time victories (29) over Notre Dame. Only USC (38) has posted more wins over the Irish than the Spartans.

All-Time Wins vs. Notre Dame

Opponent	Games Played	Wins vs. ND
USC	96	38
Michigan State	79	29
Purdue	89	26
Michigan	44	25
Pittsburgh	74	21

► SPARTANS RANK TIED FOR FIRST IN ALL-TIME VICTORIES AT NOTRE DAME STADIUM

• Michigan State ranks tied for first, along with USC, with the most wins by an opponent (14) in Notre Dame Stadium. MSU is 14-18 all-time at Notre Dame Stadium, which opened in 1930 (USC is 14-30-1).

All-Time Wins at Notre Dame Stadium

Opponent	Games Played	Wins at ND Stadium
USC	45	14
Michigan State	32	14
Purdue	38	10
Pittsburgh	33	10

► MEGAPHONE TROPHY

• Since 1949, the winner of the Michigan State-Notre Dame game has been presented the Megaphone Trophy, sponsored jointly by the Detroit alumni clubs of both schools. The megaphone is printed half blue, with a gold ND monogram, and half white, with a green MSC. All previous game scores are listed on the trophy.

• Michigan State and Notre Dame played 36 consecutive seasons from 1959-94 until a two-year interruption of the series in 1995-96. MSU and Notre Dame then played 17 straight seasons from 1997-2013 before another two-year break in 2014-15. The two schools played a home-and-home in 2016-17 in the most recent games in the series. MSU and UND are renewing their rivalry with a home-and-home series in 2026 and 2027.

FUTURE SCHEDULES

2027

Sept. 4: DUQUESNE
Sept. 11: CENTRAL MICHIGAN
Sept. 18: NOTRE DAME

BIG TEN GAMES (DATES TBA):

Home (4): Indiana, Michigan, Rutgers, Wisconsin

Away (5): Northwestern, Ohio State, Penn State, Purdue, Washington

2028

Sept. 2: WESTERN MICHIGAN
Sept. 16: at Oklahoma State

BIG TEN GAMES (DATES TBA):

Home (5): Iowa, Minnesota, Penn State, Purdue, USC

Away (4): Illinois, Maryland, Michigan, Oregon

2029

Sept. 15: OKLAHOMA STATE

2030

Aug. 31: CENTRAL MICHIGAN
Sept. 14: at Cincinnati

2031

Aug. 30: WESTERN MICHIGAN
Sept. 13: CINCINNATI

2032

Sept. 11: at BYU

ACTIVE FBS LEADERS

RUSHING YARDS

1.	Ismail Mahdi, Arizona	3,181
2.	Ahmad Hardy, Missouri	3,000
3.	Makhi Hughes, Houston	2,991
4.	Cam Edwards, Michigan State	2,940
5.	Jalen Buckley, Western Michigan	2,806

RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

1.	Devon Dampier, Utah	35
2.	Jai'Den Thomas, UNLV	32
	Byrum Brown, Auburn	32
4.	Jalen Buckley, Western Michigan	31
5.	Cam Edwards, Michigan State	30



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2026 SPARTAN MEDIA NETWORK RADIO AFFILIATES

City.....	Call Letters
Alma	WQBX (FM 104.9)
Alpena	WKJZ (FM 94.9)
Bad Axe	WLEW (AM 1340)
Benton Harbor/South Haven	WCSY (FM 103.7)
Detroit.....	WJR (AM 760)
Grand Haven/Muskegon.....	WGHM (FM 92.1)
Grand Rapids	WBFX (FM 101.3)
.....	WMAX (FM 96.1/Pat Fitzgerald Show)
Hastings.....	WBCH (FM 100.1)
Iron Mountain.....	WZNL (FM 94.3)
Jackson	WKHM (FM 101.9)
Lansing	WJIM (AM 1240 & FM 106.9)
.....	WMMQ (FM 94.9)
Ludington/Manistee	WLDN (FM 98.7)
Marquette/Ishpeming.....	WRUP (FM 98.3)
Midland.....	WLUN (FM 100.9)
Ontonagon.....	WUPY (FM 101.1)
Port Huron	WPHM (AM 1380)
Saginaw/Flint.....	WILZ (FM 104.5)
Tawas City	WQLB (FM 103.3)
Traverse City	WCCW (FM 107.5)

Note: Radio affiliate listing as of July 23 and is subject to change.

Sirius/XM Radio: streaming for games available at select channel each week - check Sirius/XM for weekly listings; Mobile app for iPhone & Android (Michigan State Spartans)

► SPARTAN STADIUM ART INSTALLATION WILL PERMANENTLY HONOR 1965-1966 TEAMS

The 1965 and 1966 Michigan State Football teams, defined by their championship performances on the field and their transcendent impact on sport and society off the field, will be immortalized outside of Spartan Stadium with an art installation. The announcement comes in the 60th anniversary season of the 1966 season, just days before Michigan State and Notre Dame meet 60 years after the Game of the Century. The project is scheduled to be dedicated in conjunction with the MSU-Notre Dame football game next fall in East Lansing.

The art, designed by J Brett Grill of JBG Sculpture, will capture an iconic photo of Michigan State head coach Duffy Daugherty and five All-Americans from the 1965 and 1966 teams: running back Clinton Jones, fullback Bob Apisa, defensive end Bubba Smith, wide receiver Gene Washington and linebacker George Webster. The individuals depicted represent all team members from Michigan State that created a positive force for change in college football. The project is made possible in part through the generosity of Spartan Athletic Foundation donors, including a lead gift from Jim and Matt Pasant.

"Michigan State is privileged to celebrate the 1965 and 1966 football teams with a permanent display at Spartan Stadium," said Dan Bartholomae, Michigan State Vice President and Director of Athletics. "We are immensely proud of the leading role these teams played in integrating college football and college athletics. They embody the very best of what it means to be a Spartan. This project will help tell their story and bring recognition to the brave trailblazers who broke records and barriers, ensuring that their mark on sport and society is not forgotten."

On the football field, the Spartans captured back-to-back Big Ten and National Championships in 1965 and 1966, posting a combined record of 19 wins, 1 loss and 1 tie. The one tie came in the historic 1966 Game of the Century against No. 1 Notre Dame, a 10-10 result in Spartan Stadium on Nov. 19.

Although the athletic achievements were exceptional, what separates these teams from other champions is their impact on society. They sparked national changes not just in college football, but also college athletics. Daugherty was one of the first college football coaches to compile a roster consisting of a racially integrated team, including many Black players from the South, breaking down racial barriers and changing the college football landscape forever. In a decade where many major programs remained segregated, the 1965 team had 23 Black players on its roster and the 1966 team had 20 Black players, including 12 starters – numbers that were unprecedented at the time.

Under Daugherty, players had individual success both athletically and academically, as 20 players earned All-Big Ten accolades in 1965, only to be topped by 21 earning all-conference recognition in 1966. Numerous academic All-Conference, All-Region and All-American accolades were earned, including two Academic All-Americans in each of the 1965 and '66 seasons. The 1967 NFL Draft included four Michigan State players in the top eight selections, and all four of them were Black (Jones, Smith, Washington and Webster).

In 2024, the 1965 and 1966 football teams became the only teams ever inducted into the MSU Athletics Hall of Fame.

► GAME OF THE CENTURY: 60TH ANNIVERSARY

• This fall marks the 60th anniversary of the famous "Game of the Century" 10-10 tie between No. 1 Notre Dame and No. 2 Michigan State on Nov. 19, 1966, in Spartan Stadium. Thirty-one players from that game went on to play in the NFL, including 10 first-round draft picks. Four Michigan State players from the game were selected in the first eight picks on the 1967 NFL Draft (No. 1, Colts, DE **Bubba Smith**; No. 2, Vikings, RB **Clinton Jones**; No. 5, Oilers, LB **George Webster**; No. 8, Vikings, WR **Gene Washington**).

► LONG HISTORY OF BIG WINS OVER NOTRE DAME

• Michigan State has defeated Notre Dame 16 times when the Fighting Irish were ranked in the AP Top 25, including eight wins in the top 10.

• Although neither team was ranked, one of the most famous wins of the **Mark Dantonio** era came against Notre Dame in Spartan Stadium on Sept. 18, 2010. Down 31-28 in overtime to Notre Dame and facing a 47-yard field-goal attempt by Dan Conroy, Dantonio decided to call the trick play "Little Giants" – and the result was one of the most dramatic finishes in Michigan State history. Holder **Aaron Bates** threw a 29-yard, game-winning touchdown pass to tight end **Charlie Gantt** on the fake field goal, setting off a wild celebration on the field.

• Notre Dame enters Saturday's matchup ranked No. 3 in the AP Poll, the highest ranking for the Irish entering the Michigan State game since 1990 (No. 1).



► **Charlie Gantt** scored the game-winning touchdown on a pass from holder **Aaron Bates** on a fake field goal in the 34-31 win in overtime against Notre Dame on Sept. 18, 2010.

Here's a look at MSU's all-time AP Top 25 wins over Notre Dame:

Date	Result	Site
Nov. 10, 1951	No. 5 MSU 35, No. 11 Notre Dame 0	East Lansing
Nov. 15, 1952	No. 1 MSU 21, No. 6 Notre Dame 3	East Lansing
Oct. 15, 1955	No. 13 MSU 21, No. 4 Notre Dame 7	East Lansing
Nov. 9, 1957	No. 4 MSU 34, No. 15 Notre Dame 6	East Lansing
Oct. 21, 1961	No. 1 MSU 17, No. 6 Notre Dame 7	East Lansing
Nov. 20, 1965	No. 1 MSU 12, No. 4 Notre Dame 3	Notre Dame
Nov. 9, 1968	MSU 21, No. 5 Notre Dame 17	East Lansing
Oct. 4, 1975	MSU 10, No. 8 Notre Dame 3	Notre Dame
Sept. 17, 1983	MSU 28, No. 4 Notre Dame 23	Notre Dame
Sept. 20, 1986	MSU 20, No. 20 Notre Dame 15	East Lansing
Sept. 12, 1998	MSU 45, No. 10 Notre Dame 23	East Lansing
Sept. 18, 1999	MSU 23, No. 24 Notre Dame 13	Notre Dame
Sept. 23, 2000	No. 23 MSU 27, No. 16 Notre Dame 23	East Lansing
Sept. 22, 2001	MSU 17, No. 23 Notre Dame 10	Notre Dame
Sept. 17, 2005	MSU 44, No. 10 Notre Dame 41 (OT)	Notre Dame
Sept. 17, 2016	No. 12 MSU 36, No. 18 Notre Dame 28	Notre Dame

► A BRIEF GLANCE AT NO. 3/3 NOTRE DAME (2-0)

• The No. 3/3 Fighting Irish improved to 2-0 with a 52-0 win over Rice last Saturday, opening a 42-0 lead at halftime and coasting to the rout of the Owls. Notre Dame opened the season with a 41-13 win over Wisconsin on Sept. 6 at Lambeau Field in Green Bay, Wisconsin, home of the Green Bay Packers.

• Notre Dame is 21st in the FBS in scoring offense (46.5 ppg) and fifth in scoring defense (6.5 ppg).

• The Fighting Irish offense is 67th in the FBS in total offense (414.0 ypg), ranking 26th in the nation in passing offense (299.5 ypg) and 116th in rushing offense (114.5 ypg). Notre Dame is also 11th in the country in sacks allowed (0.5 pg), only yielding one sack through the first two games.

• UND's defense is 13th in the FBS in total defense (206.0 ypg), ranking 14th in rushing defense (65.5 ypg) and 23rd in passing yards allowed (140.5 ypg).

• Junior quarterback **CJ Carr** is 11th in the FBS in passing efficiency (196.2), as well as 14th in passing TDs (6), 27th in pass completion percentage (.714), 35th in passing yards/completion (14.1) and 42nd in passing yards/game (246.0). Carr is 35-of-49 for 492 yards with the six TDs and zero interceptions through two games. Carr only has two rushing attempts, getting sacked on one and rushing for 2 yards on the other carry, both coming in the Wisconsin game.

• Notre Dame head coach **Marcus Freeman** is in his fifth year leading the Irish and as a head coach, logging a 45-12 ledger.

2026 HONORS & AWARDS

#3 TRE BELL (Gr.-5, CB)

• Shrine Bowl 1000 List

#37 LIAM BOYD (Gr.-5, PK)

• Lou Groza Award Three Stars of the Week (vs. Toledo)

#9 RHYS DAKIN (Jr., P)

• Preseason All-Big Ten Second Team (Phil Steele, Athlon Sports)

#0 CAM EDWARDS (Gr.-5, RB)

• Maxwell Award Player of the Year Watch List
• Doak Walker Award Watch List
• Shrine Bowl 1000 List

#2 CAM FANCHER (Gr.-6, QB)

• Comeback Player of the Year Watch List

#63 TRENT FRALEY (Gr.-5, C)

• Preseason All-Big Ten Second Team (Phil Steele)
• Preseason All-Big Ten Third Team (The Athletic)
• Shrine Bowl 1000 List

#5 JORDAN HALL (Sr., LB)

• Bednarik Award Watch List
• Butkus Award Watch List
• Preseason All-Big Ten First Team (Phil Steele)
• Preseason All-Big Ten Third Team (Athlon Sports)
• AFCA Good Works Team nominee
• Wuerffel Trophy Watch List
• Jason Witten Man of the Year Watch List

#21 NIKAI MARTINEZ (Gr.-5, DB)

• Shrine Bowl 1000 List

#13 CHRISHON McCRAY (R-Sr., WR)

• Shrine Bowl 1000 List

#58 CONNER MOORE (R-Sr., OL)

• Preseason All-Big Ten Second Team (Phil Steele)
• Shrine Bowl 1000 List

#75 BEN MURAWSKI (Gr.-5, OL)

• Outland Trophy Watch List
• Preseason All-Big Ten Second Team (Phil Steele)
• Shrine Bowl 1000 List

#7 MICHAEL RICHARD (Sr., DB)

• Shrine Bowl 1000 List

#1 KENNY SOARES JR. (Gr.-5, EDGE)

• Shrine Bowl 1000 List

#9 KEAHNIST THOMPSON (R-Sr., EDGE)

• Senior Bowl Top 300 List
• Shrine Bowl 1000 List

#32 KENNETH WILLIAMS (R-Jr., KR)

• Preseason All-Big Ten Second Team (The Athletic, Phil Steele, Athlon Sports)



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BIG TEN COACHING RECORDS

OVERALL

Rk.	Coach (School, Years)	Wins
1.	Kirk Ferentz (Iowa, 1999-)	211
2.	Woody Hayes (Ohio State, 1951-78)	205
3.	Amos Alonzo Stagg (Chicago, 1896-1932)	199
4.	Bo Schembechler (Michigan, 1969-89)	194
5.	Joe Paterno (Penn State, 1993-2011 in B1G)	162
6.	Hayden Fry (Iowa, 1979-98)	143
7.	Henry Williams (Minnesota, 1900-21)	136
8.	Robert Zuppke (Illinois, 1931-41)	131
9.	Lloyd Carr (Michigan, 1995-2007)	122
10.	Barry Alvarez (Wisconsin, 1990-2005)	119
11.	Mark Dantonio (Michigan State, 2007-19)	114
12.	Fielding Yost (Michigan, 1901-06, '17-23, '25-26 in B1G)	113
13.	Pat Fitzgerald (Northwestern, 2006-22; MSU 2026-)	112
14.	John Cooper (Ohio State, 1988-2000)	111
15.	Duffy Daugherty (Michigan State, 1954-72)	109

ACTIVE (BIG TEN SCHOOLS)

Rk.	Coach	Wins
1.	Kirk Ferentz	211
2.	Pat Fitzgerald	111
3.	Bret Bielema	106

BOWL WINS

Note: Big Ten counts all CFP wins as bowl wins

Rk.	Coach (School)	Wins
1.	Kirk Ferentz (Iowa)	11
2.	Joe Paterno (Penn State)	10
3.	Barry Alvarez (Wisconsin)	9
4.	P.J. Fleck (Minnesota)	8
T5.	Mark Dantonio (Michigan State)	6
	Hayden Fry (Iowa)	6

FITZGERALD'S WINS OVER AP RANKED TEAMS (15)

Nov. 1, 2008: Northwestern 24, No. 20 Minnesota 17
 Nov. 7, 2009: Northwestern 17, No. 8 Iowa 10
 Nov. 21, 2009: Northwestern 33, No. 17 Wisconsin 31
 Nov. 13, 2010: Northwestern 21, No. 13 Iowa 17
 Nov. 5, 2011: Northwestern 28, No. 9 Nebraska 25
 Oct. 4, 2014: Northwestern 20, No. 17 Wisconsin 14
 Nov. 15, 2014: Northwestern 43, No. 15 Notre Dame 40
 Sept. 5, 2015: Northwestern 16, No. 21 Stanford 6
 Nov. 21, 2015: No. 20 Northwestern 13, No. 21 Wisconsin 7
 Dec. 28, 2016: Northwestern 31, No. 22 Pitt 24 (Pinstripe Bowl)
 Oct. 28, 2017: Northwestern 39, No. 16 Michigan State 31 (3OT)
 Oct. 6, 2018: Northwestern 29, No. 20 Michigan State 19
 Oct. 27, 2018: Northwestern 31, No. 20 Wisconsin 17
 Dec. 31, 2018: Northwestern 31, No. 20 Utah 20 (Holiday Bowl)
 Nov. 21, 2020: No. 19 Northwestern 17, No. 10 Wisconsin 7



2026 COACHING STAFF



• One of the winningest coaches in Big Ten history, **Pat Fitzgerald** was named Michigan State's 27th head coach on Dec. 1, 2025.

the Wildcats to a No. 10 national ranking and a win in the Citrus Bowl over Auburn.

• Fitzgerald has coached more than 50 All-Big Ten selections, including 21 first-teamers; 11 All-Americans, including four first-team honorees; and 22 NFL Draft picks.

• His 112 wins rank 12th all-time for a Big Ten football coach, while his five bowl game victories rank tied for 12th among conference coaches.

• Michigan State has eight new assistant coaches on the 2026 staff, including offensive coordinator **Nick Sheridan** and assistant head coach/special teams coordinator **LeVar Woods**.

• **Max Bullough** (co-defensive coordinator/linebackers coach), **Winston DeLattiboudere III** (defensive line coach), **John McNulty** (quarterbacks coach), **Hank Poteat** (cornerbacks coach), **Devon Spalding** (running backs coach) and **Nick Tabacca** (offensive line coach) are also new to the Spartan staff.

• Four assistant coaches are back in 2026 for the Spartans: defensive coordinator **Joe Rossi** (third year), safeties coach **James Adams** (second year), wide receivers coach **Courtney Hawkins** (seventh year) and tight ends coach **Brian Wozniak** (third year).

• **Andrew Bindelglass**, who was an assistant linebackers coach in 2025, was promoted to rush ends coach.



• One of the most respected special teams coaches in college football, **LeVar Woods** was named Michigan State's assistant head coach/special teams coordinator in January 2026. Woods spent the previous 18 years under Kirk Ferentz at Iowa, including the last 14 coaching special teams, with coordinator duties added in 2017.

• Woods has led some of the best special teams units in the country throughout his career and has coached multiple All-Americans, national award winners, NFL Draft picks, Pro Bowlers and all-conference players.



• A three-time nominee for the Broyles Award, **Joe Rossi** has been Michigan State's defensive coordinator since 2024. Highly respected as one of the top defensive coaches in the country, Rossi has more than 20 years of collegiate coaching experience and has been on the sidelines for seven bowl games.

• After serving as both the Secchia Family Defensive Coordinator and linebackers coach his first two seasons (2024-25) in East Lansing, Rossi will focus solely on his defensive coordinator role in 2026.



• **Nick Sheridan**, who spent the previous two seasons at Alabama, joined Michigan State's staff as the offensive coordinator in January 2026.

• A coaching veteran of 15 years in the collegiate ranks, Sheridan has previous experience as an offensive coordinator at Alabama and Indiana.

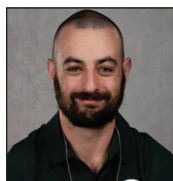
• The last three quarterbacks Sheridan has coached were all drafted and are currently playing in the NFL (Michael Penix Jr., Jalen Milroe, Ty Simpson).



• **James Adams** was named Michigan State's safeties coach in January 2025 and enters his second season on the Spartan coaching staff.

• Adams has coached defensive backs for the past 17 seasons since beginning his coaching career in 2009 as a graduate assistant at his alma mater in Wake Forest.

• Adams has previous experience at Wake Forest (2022-23), Purdue (2021), Navy (2020), Western Michigan (2019), Charlotte (2011-18) and Wofford (2010).



- **Andrew Bindelglass**, who joined the Michigan State football program as a defensive analyst in January 2024 and served as an assistant linebackers coach in 2025, is in his first season as rush ends coach for the Spartans in 2026.
- Bindelglass previously worked with current Spartan defensive coordinator/linebackers coach Joe Rossi for five seasons at Minnesota (defensive graduate assistant in 2019-21; defensive quality control in 2022-23).



- Former Spartan All-Big Ten linebacker **Max Bullough** joined Pat Fitzgerald's coaching staff in December 2025 as the co-defensive coordinator and linebackers coach.
- Bullough helped coach one of the best defenses in the nation the past three seasons (2023-25) at Notre Dame as the Fighting Irish compiled a 34-7 record and reached the National Championship in the first-ever 12-team College Football Playoff against Ohio State. He arrived to South Bend as a defensive graduate assistant in 2023 and was promoted to the full-time staff as linebackers coach beginning in 2024.



- **Winston DeLattiboudere III** was named defensive line coach in January 2026. After spending one season in the NFL as the defensive line coach with the Arizona Cardinals, DeLattiboudere III (DEE-lat-TEE-bo-DARE) is returning to the college ranks as the defensive line coach for the Spartans. DeLattiboudere coached the defensive line for two seasons (2023-24) at his alma mater, Minnesota, prior to heading to the NFL with Arizona in 2025. He has both played and coached for Joe Rossi at Minnesota and was promoted to assistant head coach for the Gophers during the 2024 season.



- Former Spartan great and nine-year NFL veteran **Courtney Hawkins** has been on the Spartan staff coaching the wide receivers since 2020 and enters his seventh season in 2026. Three wide receivers he has coached at MSU are currently starting in the NFL (Jayden Reed, Packers; Jalen Nailor, Raiders; Keon Coleman, Bills).
- Hawkins came to MSU in 2020 after serving as the head football coach and athletic director at his alma mater, Beecher High School, in Flint, Michigan, for 15 years.



- **John McNulty** is in his first year at MSU as quarterbacks coach. McNulty most recently was a senior offensive assistant at Rutgers in 2025 and worked with MSU offensive coordinator Nick Sheridan for one season at Alabama as an analyst in 2024.
- McNulty has over 30 years of coaching experience, including time at Boston College (OC in 2022) and Notre Dame (tight ends coach in 2020-21), and also spent 15 years overall in the NFL with stints at Jacksonville (1998-2002), Dallas (2003), Arizona (2009-12), Tampa Bay (2013), Tennessee (2014-15) and San Diego/Los Angeles (2016-17).



- A veteran coach of 15 years in college who also won a Super Bowl ring during his 10-year NFL career, **Hank Poteat** was named Michigan State's cornerbacks coach in January 2026.
- Poteat (pronounced: POE-teet) arrives in East Lansing after spending the previous three seasons (2023-25) as the cornerbacks coach at Iowa State.



- **Devon Spalding** arrived in East Lansing as the program's running backs coach in January 2026 after spending the previous three seasons (2023-25) in the same position at Wisconsin.
- Spalding coached two running backs who earned All-Big Ten honors at UW, including Braelon Allen, a second-team selection in 2023 who was selected in the fourth round of the 2024 NFL Draft by the New York Jets.



- **Nick Tabacca**, who has 20 years of offensive line coaching experience, was named Michigan State's offensive line coach in January 2026. Tabacca most recently spent 11 seasons (2014-24) coaching the o-line at Wake Forest, helping send several players to the NFL throughout his tenure in Winston-Salem. Wake Forest played in a school-record seven consecutive bowl games from 2016-22 and rewrote the offensive record book under former head coach Dave Clawson. Eight Demon Deacon offensive linemen, including four NFL Draft picks, played in the NFL under Tabacca's tutelage.



- **Brian Wozniak** (Wahz-nee-ack) enters his third season as tight ends coach after originally joining the Spartan staff in December 2023. Wozniak previously was the tight ends coach at Oregon State (2018-23).
- Two of the tight ends Wozniak coached at Oregon State are currently playing in the NFL, Teagan Quitoriano (Texans) and Luke Musgrave (Packers), and five tight ends have earned all-conference recognition under Wozniak's tutelage.

AROUND THE BIG TEN

2026 BIG TEN STANDINGS

	Conf.	Games	All Games
USC	0-0	.000	3-0 1.000
Indiana	0-0	.000	2-0 1.000
Iowa	0-0	.000	2-0 1.000
Maryland	0-0	.000	2-0 1.000
Michigan	0-0	.000	2-0 1.000
Michigan State	0-0	.000	2-0 1.000
Nebraska	0-0	.000	2-0 1.000
Penn State	0-0	.000	2-0 1.000
UCLA	0-0	.000	2-0 1.000
Washington	0-0	.000	2-0 1.000
Northwestern	0-0	.000	1-0 1.000
Illinois	0-0	.000	1-1 .500
Minnesota	0-0	.000	1-1 .500
Ohio State	0-0	.000	1-1 .500
Oregon	0-0	.000	1-1 .500
Purdue	0-0	.000	1-1 .500
Wisconsin	0-0	.000	1-1 .500
Rutgers	0-0	.000	0-2 .000



THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Friday, Sept. 18

Portland State at Oregon, 10:30 p.m. (BTN)

Saturday, Sept. 19

Akron at Minnesota, 12 p.m. (BTN)
 Buffalo at Penn State, 12 p.m. (BTN)
 Kent State at Ohio State, 12 p.m. (FOX)
 Eastern Michigan at Wisconsin, 12:30 p.m. (Peacock)
 Southern Illinois at Illinois, 2 p.m. (Peacock)
 UTEP at Michigan, 3:30 p.m. (BTN)
 USC at Rutgers, 3:30 p.m. (CBS)
 Northern Iowa at Iowa, 4 p.m. (FS1)
 Western Kentucky at Indiana, 4 p.m. (Peacock)
 Eastern Washington at Washington, 7:15 p.m. (BTN)
 North Dakota at Nebraska, 7:15 p.m. (BTN)
 Virginia Tech at Maryland, 7:30 p.m. (FS1)
 Colorado at Northwestern, 7:30 p.m. (FOX)
 Purdue at UCLA, 11 p.m. (BTN)
 Michigan State at Notre Dame, 7:30 p.m. (NBC)

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Friday, Sept. 11

Boston College 28, Rutgers 21
 Oklahoma State 39, Oregon 31
 Indiana 55, Howard 0
 Penn State 27, Temple 9
 Wake Forest 38, Purdue 36 (OT)
 Michigan 17, Oklahoma 10
 Michigan State 35, Eastern Michigan 7
 Maryland 38, UConn 14
 Mississippi State 38, Minnesota 13
 Duke 31, Illinois 27
 Washington 16, Utah State 14
 Nebraska 56, Bowling Green 7
 UCLA 28, San Diego State 10
 Wisconsin 36, Western Illinois 9
 Texas 24, Ohio State 23
 Iowa 16, Iowa State 13
 USC 49, Louisiana 30



2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

QUARTERBACKS: SNAPSHOT

► ROSTER (5)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
23	Payton Babbitt	Fr./1	6-0/200	Muskegon, MI
10	Kayd Coffman	Fr./1	6-2/206	Kentwood, MI
2	Cam Fancher	Gr./6	6-0/207	Dayton, OH
15	Leo Hannan	R-Fr./2	6-3/221	Long Beach, CA
11	Alessio Milivojevic	R-So./3	6-3/223	Wheaton, IL

► POSITION COACH

John McNulty (first season)

CAREER STATISTICS: QUARTERBACKS

► #2 CAM FANCHER

Year	G/GS	C	A	I	PCT	YDS	YPG	TD	EFF.
2021 ^A	2/0	3	6	0	.500	46	23.0	0	114.4
2022 ^A	13/7	131	235	6	.557	1,558	119.8	10	120.4
2023 ^A	10/10	202	309	11	.654	2,162	216.2	11	128.8
2024 [#]	9/9	126	212	6	.594	1,528	169.8	6	123.7
2025 [*]	3/2	41	72	0	.569	333	111.0	0	95.8
2026 ^{&}	2/0	6	6	0	1.000	44	22.0	0	161.6
Career	39/28	509	840	23	.606	5,671	145.4	27	122.4

Year	G/GS	ATT	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2021 ^A	2/0	5	18	3.6	0	10	9.0
2022 ^A	13/7	107	466	4.4	1	41	35.8
2023 ^A	10/10	120	273	2.3	4	63	27.3
2024 [#]	9/9	99	365	3.7	3	76	40.6
2025 [*]	3/2	31	170	5.5	1	25	56.7
2026 ^{&}	2/0	3	11	3.7	0	5	5.5
Career	39/28	365	1,303	3.7	9	76	33.4

^A at Marshall | [#] at FAU | ^{*} at UCF | [%] at MSU

► #11 ALESSIO MILIVOJEVIC

Year	G/GS	C	A	I	PCT	YDS	YPG	TD	EFF.
2024	1/0	0	1	1	.000	0	0.0	0	-200.0
2025	9/4	111	173	3	.642	1,267	140.8	10	141.3
2026	2/2	38	54	0	.704	417	208.5	3	153.6
Career	12/6	149	228	4	.654	1,684	140.3	13	142.7

Year	G/GS	ATT	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2024	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2025	9/4	31	-59	-1.9	1	16	-6.6
2026	2/2	13	9	0.7	0	13	4.5
Career	12/6	44	-50	-1.1	1	16	-4.2

TRACKING EXPLOSIVE RUNS (10-PLUS YARDS)

Player	No.	TD
Cam Edwards	6	0
Jaziun Patterson	2	0
Brandon Tullis	2	0
Marvis Parrish	1	0
Alessio Milivojevic	1	0
Totals	12	0

BY GAME:

TOL: 6 (3 Edwards, 1 Milivojevic, 1 Parrish, 1 Patterson)

EMU: 6 (3 Edwards, 2 Tullis, 1 Patterson)



QUARTERBACKS



#11 ALESSIO MILIVOJEVIC • R-SO./3 • 6-3 • 223 • CAPTAIN

Naperville, Ill. / St. Francis High School

2026: 2 games/2 starts, 38-of-54 passing (.704), 417 yards, 3 TDs, 0 INTs

• Redshirt sophomore quarterback **Alessio Milivojevic** has started the last six games for the Spartans, including the final four games of the 2025 season and the first two of this season (3-3 record).

• Milivojevic ranks sixth in the Big Ten with his .704 completion percentage (38-of-54) through the first two games. He has thrown for 417 yards (208.5 ypg) with three touchdowns and no interceptions.

• Milivojevic started the last four games of the 2025 season for the Spartans, completing 58 percent of his passes (79-of-136) for 986 yards and seven touchdowns in his four starts. Overall in nine games of action, Milivojevic connected on 64 percent of his throws (111-of-173) for 1,267 yards, 10 touchdowns and three interceptions.

• In his first career start at Minnesota on Nov. 1, 2025, Milivojevic threw for 311 yards, the third most by a Spartan freshman/redshirt freshman quarterback, and the fourth most by any Spartan QB in his first career start. During the regular-season finale vs. Maryland at Ford Field in Detroit, Milivojevic led the Spartans to a victory over the Terrapins by throwing for a career-high four touchdowns and 292 yards. He nearly engineered a road win at Iowa on Nov. 22 against a Top 10 defense, tossing two touchdowns and a total of 255 yards, but the Hawkeyes won on a last second field goal as time expired. Milivojevic, a product of Naperville, Illinois, and St. Francis High School, is looking to build on those performances entering his third season at MSU in 2026.



#2 CAM FANCHER • GR./6 • 6-0 • 207

Dayton, Ohio / Wayne HS / Marshall (2021-23) / FAU (2024) / UCF (2024)

2026: 2 games, 6-of-6 passing (1.000), 44 yards, 3 carries for 11 yards

• In addition to Milivojevic, the Spartans brought in experienced sixth-year graduate transfer **Cam Fancher**, who has played in 39 collegiate games, including 28 starts (14-14 record). He entered 2026 on the AP Comeback Player of the Year Watch List.

• Fancher was 6-of-6 passing for 44 yards and rushed three times for 11 yards in the 35-7 win over Eastern Michigan (9/12).

• Fancher most recently spent the 2025 season at UCF, but was limited by injuries to just three games and two starts, and was granted a sixth year of eligibility by the NCAA for 2026. He played three seasons at Marshall from 2021-23, including a 6-1 record as the starting QB in 2022 as the Thundering Herd closed the year on a five-game winning streak and a win over UConn in the Myrtle Beach Bowl. Following 10 starts in 2023 at Marshall, he transferred to FAU in 2024, starting the first nine games of the season for the Owls before suffering a season-ending injury in Week 9.

• Fancher has thrown for 5,671 yards and 27 touchdowns in his career while rushing for 1,303 yards and nine TDs, good for 6,974 yards of total offense.



RUNNING BACKS



#0 CAM EDWARDS • GR./5 • 5-11 • 206

Norwalk, Conn. / Norwalk HS / UConn (2022-25)

DOAK WALKER AWARD WATCH LIST / MAXWELL AWARD WATCH LIST

2026: 2 games/2 starts, 48 carries, 250 yards, 5.2 avg., 3 TDs, 125.0 ypg

• Fifth-year graduate transfer running back Cam Edwards leads the Big Ten and ranks tied for fifth in the FBS in rushing after collecting 250 yards (125.0 ypg) on the ground in his first two games as a Spartan. He also ranks tied for third in the conference with three rushing touchdowns.

• Edwards ran for 152 yards and two TDs on 21 carries in the win over Eastern Michigan; it marked the most rushing yards by a Spartan running back since Kenneth Walker III had 197 against Michigan in 2021.

• In his Spartan debut, Edwards carried the ball a career-high 27 times for 98 yards and one TD in the win over Toledo.

• Edwards, who is on the Maxwell Award Watch List and Doak Walker Award Watch List, currently ranks fourth among active FBS players with 2,940 career rushing yards and fifth with 30 rushing touchdowns.

• Edwards played the last four seasons (2022-25) at UConn and posted career highs for rushing yards (1,240), rushing touchdowns (15), carries (210), receptions (19) and receiving yards (187) for the Huskies in 2025, finishing the year ranked among the FBS Top 25 leaders in six categories (tied for ninth in TDs with 16; tied for 13th in rushing TDs; 15th in rushing yards; 17th in rushing yards per game; 22nd in all-purpose yards; 23rd in yards per carry).

• He concluded his UConn career ranked among the school's all-time leaders in rushing yards per carry (tied for first at 5.6), rushing yards (fifth with 2,690), rushing touchdowns (fifth with 27) and carries (ninth with 467) in 36 career games, including 23 starts.

• A third-team Group of Five All-American in 2025, led UConn in rushing three years in a row and has nine career 100-yard rushing performances. He enters the season on the Maxwell Award Player of the Year Watch List and the Doak Walker Award Watch List.



#21 MARVIS PARRISH • SO./2 • 5-11 • 209

Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. / Lowndes HS / Western Kentucky (2025)

2026: 2 games, 10 carries, 39 yards, 3.9 avg., 19.5 ypg

• Rushed six times for 28 yards in his Spartan debut against Toledo (9/4).

• Had a breakthrough season as a true freshman at Western Kentucky in 2025, leading the Hilltoppers in rushing yards (576; 5.4 avg.; 44.3 ypg) and carries (106) while also ranking third in receptions with 36 for 203 yards. He started all 12 games during the regular season and played in all 13 games while being named to the Conference USA All-Freshman Team.



#4 JAZIUN PATTERSON • GR./5 • 5-10 • 214

Pompano Beach, Fla. / Deerfield Beach HS / Iowa (2022-25)

2026: 2 games, 10 carries, 46 yards, 4.6 avg., 1 TD, 23.0 ypg

• Had three carries for 23 yards vs. EMU (9/12), including a 7-yard TD; rushed seven times for 23 yards in his Spartan debut against Toledo.

• Played in 34 games at Iowa the past four seasons (2022-25) and has rushed for 904 yards and five touchdowns on 205 carries in his career.



#7 BRANDON TULLIS • JR./3 • 6-1 • 224

Dallas, Texas / Memorial HS

2026: 2 games, 4 carries, 37 yards, 9.3 avg., 18.5 ypg

• Gained 37 yards on just four carries vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12).

• Two-year letterwinner ranked third on the team in 2025 with 301 rushing yards on 69 carries, including four touchdowns, in 12 games of action with two starting assignments.

RUNNING BACKS: SNAPSHOT

► ROSTER (10)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
25	Jace Clarizio	R-Fr./2	5-10/213	East Lansing, MI
0	Cam Edwards	Gr./5	5-11/206	Norwalk, CT
20	Zion Gist	R-Fr./2	5-11/209	Frankfort, IL
27	Darrin Jones Jr.	R-Fr./2	5-11/206	Lake Orion, MI
33	Jaxon McCaig	R-So./3	6-1/236	Plymouth, MI
21	Marvis Parrish	So./2	5-11/209	Ft. Lauderdale, FL
4	Jaziun Patterson	Gr./5	5-10/214	Pompano Beach, FL
7	Brandon Tullis	Jr./3	6-1/224	Dallas, TX
26	Cedric Williams Jr.	Fr./1	5-9/201	Canton, MI
32	Kenneth Williams	R-Jr./4	5-9/191	Detroit, MI

► POSITION COACH

Devon Spalding (first season)

CAREER STATISTICS: RUNNING BACKS

► #0 CAM EDWARDS

Year	G/GS	ATT	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2022*	1/0	1	2	2.0	2	2	2.0
2023*	9/5	123	618	5.0	4	39	68.7
2024*	13/7	146	830	5.7	8	71	63.8
2025*	13/11	210	1,240	5.9	15	73	95.4
2026^	2/2	48	250	5.2	3	40	125.0
Career	38/25	528	2,940	5.6	30	73	77.4

Year	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2022*	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2023*	15	132	8.8	1	26	14.7
2024*	13	148	11.4	2	50	11.4
2025*	19	187	9.8	1	34	14.3
2026^	3	12	4.0	0	7	6.0
Career	50	479	9.6	4	50	12.6

* at UConn | ^ at MSU

► #21 MARVIS PARRISH

Year	G/GS	ATT	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2025*	13/12	106	576	5.4	1	66	44.3
2026^	2/0	10	39	3.9	0	15	19.5
Career	15/12	116	615	5.3	1	66	41.0

Year	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2025*	36	203	5.6	1	22	15.6
2026^	1	-1	-1.0	0	0	-0.5
Career	37	202	5.5	1	22	13.5

* at Western Kentucky | ^ at MSU

► #4 JAZIUN PATTERSON

Year	G/GS	ATT	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2022*	3/0	14	47	3.4	0	17	15.7
2023*	11/1	58	206	3.6	2	59	18.7
2024*	10/0	63	309	4.9	2	39	30.9
2025*	10/1	60	296	4.9	0	17	29.6
2026^	2/0	10	46	4.6	1	14	23.0
Career	36/2	205	904	4.4	5	59	25.1

Year	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2022*	1	1	1.0	0	1	0.3
2023*	4	22	5.5	0	18	2.0
2024*	1	3	3.0	0	3	0.3
2025*	3	9	3.0	0	5	0.9
2026^	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Career	9	35	3.9	0	18	1.0

* at Iowa | ^ at MSU

► #7 BRANDON TULLIS

Year	G/GS	ATT	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2024	8/0	7	20	2.9	0	9	2.5
2025	12/2	69	301	4.4	4	35	25.1
2026	2/0	4	37	9.3	0	13	18.5
Career	22/2	80	358	4.5	4	35	16.3

Year	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2024	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2025	11	82	7.5	0	24	6.8
2026	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Career	11	82	7.5	0	24	3.9



2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

WIDE RECEIVERS: SNAPSHOT

► ROSTER (14)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
3	Rodney Bullard Jr.	Gr./5	5-11/188	Albany, GA
81	Colin Charles	Fr./1	6-0/202	Northville, MI
37	Darelle Cochran	Fr./1	6-2/175	Redford, MI
17	Braylon Collier	R-Fr./2	6-0/187	Sandusky, OH
18	Jameel Gardner Jr.	Gr./5	6-0/193	Detroit, MI
5	Samson Gash	Fr./1	6-0/185	South Lyon, MI
89	Nick Hardy	R-Fr./2	6-1/194	Birmingham, MI
13	Chrishon McCray	R-Sr./5	5-10/180	Avon, IN
6	Fredrick Moore	R-Jr./4	6-1/187	St. Louis, MO
8	KK Smith	R-Jr./4	6-0/180	Frisco, TX
19	Charles Taplin	R-Fr./2	6-1/184	Red Oak, TX
16	Zach Washington	Fr./1	6-2/188	Naperville, IL
14	Bryson Williams	R-Fr./2	6-2/225	Canton, MI
22	Jack Yanachik	R-Jr./4	6-2/205	Rochester Hills, MI

► POSITION COACH

Courtney Hawkins (seventh season)

CAREER STATISTICS: WIDE RECEIVERS

► #3 RODNEY BULLARD JR.

Year	G/GS	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2023 [^]	14/9	44	566	12.9	7	48	40.4
2024 [^]	14/13	42	1,001	23.8	12	84	71.5
2025#	12/0	5	119	23.8	1	71	9.9
2026#	2/2	10	116	11.6	1	26	58.0
Career	42/24	101	1,802	17.8	21	84	42.9

[^] = at Valdosta State | # = at Michigan State

► #13 CHRISHON McCRAY

Year	G/GS	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2022 [^]	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2023 [^]	9/6	41	610	14.9	4	42	67.8
2024 [^]	11/11	40	705	17.6	9	68	64.1
2025#	11/6	24	330	13.8	3	45	30.0
2026#	2/1	10	79	7.9	0	20	39.5
Career	34/24	115	1,724	15.0	16	68	50.7

[^] = at Kent State | # = at Michigan State

► #6 FREDRICK MOORE

Year	G/GS	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2023 [^]	13/0	4	32	8.0	0	10	2.5
2024 [^]	13/3	11	128	11.6	1	20	9.8
2025 [^]	5/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2026%	2/2	4	43	10.8	1	18	21.5
Career	33/5	19	203	10.7	2	20	6.3

[^] = at Michigan | % at MSU

► #8 KK SMITH

Year	G/GS	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2023 [^]	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2024 [^]	6/0	3	38	12.7	0	25	6.3
2025 [^]	10/0	8	123	15.4	2	34	12.3
2026#	1/0	1	10	10.0	0	10	10.0
Career	18/0	12	171	14.3	2	34	9.5

[^] = at Notre Dame | # at MSU



WIDE RECEIVERS



#3 RODNEY BULLARD JR. • GR./5 • 5-11 • 188

Albany, Ga. / Westover HS / Valdosta State (2022-24)

2026: 2 games/2 starts, 10 catches, 116 yards, 11.6 avg., 1 TD, 58.0 ypg

• Tied for team lead with 10 receptions and leads MSU with 116 receiving yards.

• Had seven receptions for 90 yards in the Week 1 win over Toledo; caught the go-ahead TD pass on a 5-yard toss from Alessio Milivojevic on fourth-and-1 from the MSU 5-yard line with 10:37 remaining in the game.

• Crossed the 100-catch mark for his career in the Eastern Michigan game; has 101 receptions for 1,802 yards and 21 TDs in his 42-game collegiate career.

• Transferred to Michigan State in January 2025 after hauling in 85 passes for 1,567 yards and 19 TDs in two seasons (2023-24) at Division II Valdosta State. He was one of the best Division II receivers in the nation in 2024, ranking sixth in the country in yards per catch (23.8 avg.), 10th in TD catches (12) and 17th in receiving yards (1,001; 71.5 ypg) while helping lead Valdosta State to a 13-1 record and the D-II national championship game. A first-team All-Gulf South Conference selection, Bullard also led the league in touch-down receptions, yards per catch and receiving yards.



#13 CHRISHON McCRAY • R-SR./5 • 5-10 • 180

Avon, Ind. / Avon HS / Kent State (2022-24)

2026: 2 games/1 start, 10 catches, 79 yards, 7.9 avg., 39.5 ypg

• Led MSU with eight catches for 69 yards in the season opener vs. Toledo.

• Has 115 career receptions for 1,724 yards and 16 TDs in his career.

• A two-year starter at Kent State, McCray caught 81 passes for 1,315 yards and 13 TDs in 2023 and 2024 with the Golden Flashes. He earned first-team All-MAC honors as a redshirt freshman in 2023 with 41 receptions for 610 yards and four TDs, and was a second-team choice in 2024 with 40 catches for 705 yards and nine TDs. McCray entered last season on the Biletnikoff Award Watch List.



#6 FREDRICK MOORE • R-JR./4 • 6-1 • 187

St. Louis, Mo. / Cardinal Ritter College Prep / Michigan (2023-25)

2026: 2 games/2 starts, 4 catches, 43 yards, 10.8 avg., 1 TD, 21.5 ypg

• Had his first TD as a Spartan with an 18-yard reception in the first quarter vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12).

• Caught three passes for 25 yards in his Spartan debut vs. Toledo in Week 1.

• Has played in 33 career games (19 receptions for 203 yards and 2 TDs).



#8 KK SMITH • R-JR./4 • 6-1 • 187

Frisco, Texas / Reedy HS / Notre Dame (2023-25)

2026: 1 game, 1 catch, 10 yards, 10.0 avg

• Fourth-year player spent his first three seasons at Notre Dame.

• Had one catch for 10 yards in his Spartan debut vs. Toledo (9/4).

• Has 12 career receptions for 171 yards and two TDs in 18 career games.



#19 CHARLES TAPLIN • R-FR./2 • 6-1 • 184

Red Oak, Texas / Red Oak HS

2026: 1 game, 3 catches, 65 yards, 21.7 avg, 1 TD, 65.0 ypg

• Second-year player had a breakout game with three catches for 65 yards against Eastern Michigan (9/12), including a 38-yard TD catch, his first as a Spartan; named the team's offensive player of the week vs. EMU.



#14 BRYSON WILLIAMS • R-FR./2 • 6-2 • 225

Canton, Mich. / Orchard Lake St. Mary's HS

2026: 2 games

• Promising second-year player has played 39 snaps the first two games.



OFFENSIVE LINE



#63 TRENT FRALEY • GR./5 • 6-1 • 306 • CAPTAIN
Moon Twp., Pa. / Moon Area HS / Marshall (2022-23) / North Dakota State (2024-25)
 • Has started 31 consecutive games at center in his career.
 • Played all 88 snaps in his Spartan debut vs. Toledo (9/4) and was named the team's offensive playmaker of the week.
 • Won the Rimington Award for the FCS while earning first-team All-America honors at North Dakota State last season.
 • Started all 16 games in 2024 as NDSU won the FCS National Championship.



#55 RAKEEM JOHNSON • R-SO./3 • 6-4 • 296
Boise, Idaho / Bishop Kelly HS
 • Has started the first two games at right tackle (146 total snaps).
 • Played all 88 snaps in the Week 1 win over Toledo; started at right tackle.
 • Has seven career starts (1 at LT in 2024; 4 at RG in 2025; 2 at RT in 2026).



#58 CONNER MOORE • R-SR./5 • 6-6 • 311
Millbury, Ohio / Lake HS / Montana State (2022-24)
 • Has played a team-high 158 snaps this season; has started the first two games at left guard.
 • Has started 42 consecutive games on the offensive line in his career, dating back to Montana State (12 at Montana State in 2023; 16 at Montana State in 2024; 12 at Michigan State in 2025; 2 at Michigan State in 2026).
 • Started nine games at right tackle and three at left tackle for the Spartans in 2025.



#75 BEN MURAWSKI • GR./5 • 6-7 • 340 • OUTLAND TROPHY WATCH LIST
Harleysville, Pa. / St. Thomas More HS / UConn (2022-25)
 • Has started at left tackle the first two games for the Spartans (105 total snaps).
 • Started all 12 games at left tackle for UConn in 2025 and played in 30 games the past three seasons for the Huskies.
 • Featured on the Outland Trophy Watch List for the nation's best lineman.
 • Has 21 career starts.



#52 NICK SHARPE • GR./6 • 6-2 • 351
Gastonia, N.C. / Hunter Huss HS / Wake Forest (2021-24) / South Carolina (2025)
 • Has started the first two games at right guard (142 total snaps).
 • Named the team's offensive playmaker of the week vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12).
 • Has 19 career starts (12 at Wake Forest, five at South Carolina, two at MSU).



#70 LUKA VINCIC • R-SR./5 • 6-5 • 306
Bothell, Wash. / Bothell HS / Oregon State (2022-24)
 • Has played 34 snaps the first two games in the playing rotation at guard.
 • Played 18 snaps in Week 1 in his return to playing action; missed the final nine games of the 2025 season due to injury.
 • Has played in 24 career games, including three starting assignments.



#71 ROBERT WRIGHT JR. • R-JR./4 • 6-5 • 294
Atlanta, Ga. / Stockbridge HS / Georgia Southern (2023-25)
 • Transfer from Georgia Southern has played 75 snaps the first two games at tackle.
 • Has played in 18 career games, including 11 starts at Georgia Southern.

OFFENSIVE LINE: SNAPSHOT

► ROSTER (16)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
65	Cole Bertke	Fr./1	6-5/285	E. Grand Rapids, MI
68	Eli Bickel	Fr./1	6-6/312	N. Branch, MI
61	Collin Campbell	Fr./1	6-6/295	Gilbert, AZ
79	Tristan Comer	Fr./1	6-6/280	Freeland, MI
77	Andrew Dennis	R-So./2	6-4/302	Mt. Pleasant, MI
63	Trent Fraley	Gr./5	6-1/306	Moon Twp., PA
54	Antonio Johnson	R-Fr./2	6-5/287	Detroit, MI
55	Rakeem Johnson	R-So./3	6-4/296	Boise, ID
58	Conner Moore	R-Sr./5	6-6/311	Millbury, OH
75	Ben Murawski	Gr./5	6-7/340	Harleysville, PA
76	Drew Nichols	R-Fr./2	6-4/298	Murrieta, CA
52	Nick Sharpe	Gr./6	6-2/351	Gastonia, NC
70	Luka Vincic	R-Sr./5	6-5/306	Bothell, WA
71	Robert Wright Jr.	R-Jr./4	6-5/294	Atlanta, GA
73	Rustin Young	R-So./3	6-4/308	Honolulu, HI
56	Jack Ziarko	Fr./1	6-2/286	North Canton, MI

► POSITION COACH

Nick Tabacca (first season)

SPARTAN PLAYERS OF THE GAME

OFFENSE

Game..... Player
 Toledo..... WR Rodney Bullard Jr.
 Eastern Michigan..... WR Charles Taplin

OFFENSE: PLAYMAKER

Game..... Player
 Toledo..... C Trent Fraley
 Eastern Michigan..... OG Nick Sharpe

DEFENSE

Game..... Player
 Toledo..... DL Eli Coenen
 Eastern Michigan..... DL Eli Coenen

DEFENSE: PLAYMAKER

Game..... Player
 Toledo..... EDGE Kenny Soares Jr.
 Eastern Michigan..... CB Charles Brantley

SPECIAL TEAMS

Game..... Player
 Toledo..... PK Liam Boyd
 Eastern Michigan..... PR Chrishon McCray

SPARTAN WARRIOR

Game..... Player
 Toledo..... OL Robert Wright Jr.



2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

TIGHT ENDS: SNAPSHOT

► ROSTER (9)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
48	Charlie Baker	R-So./3	6-4/252	East Lansing, MI
87	Joe Caudill	Fr./1	6-4/232	Lexington, OH
44	Jay Coyne	Gr./5	6-1/231	New York, NY
12	Carson Gulker	Gr./6	6-3/245	Zeeland, MI
86	Ethan Melville	Fr./1	6-4/213	Holt, MI
82	Brennan Parachek	Gr./4	6-5/249	Dexter, MI
88	Kai Rios	R-Sr./5	6-6/262	Rock Island, IL
31	Jayden Savoury	R-Fr./2	6-5/253	Canton, MI
84	Eddie Whiting	Fr./1	6-6/254	Sioux Falls, SD

► POSITION COACH

Brian Wozniak (third season)

CAREER STATISTICS: TIGHT ENDS

► #12 CARSON GULKER

Year	G/GS	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2022 ^A	15/4	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2023 ^A	11/1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2024 ^A	2/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2025 ^A	16/12	34	548	16.1	7	64	34.4
2026 [#]	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Career	45/16	34	548	16.1	7	64	12.2

Year	G/GS	ATT	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2022 ^A	15/4	187	882	4.7	31	54	58.8
2023 ^A	11/1	144	707	4.9	14	45	64.3
2024 ^A	2/0	10	98	9.8	0	64	49.0
2025 ^A	16/12	81	541	6.7	5	34	33.8
2026 [#]	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Career	45/16	422	2,228	5.3	50	64	49.5

Year	C	A	I	PCT	YDS	YPG	TD	EFF.
2022 ^A	46	77	3	.597	701	46.7	4	145.6
2023 ^A	50	80	0	.625	722	65.6	10	179.6
2024 ^A	3	4	0	.750	27	13.5	1	214.2
2025 ^A	8	15	1	.533	141	8.8	1	141.0
2026 [#]	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0
Career	107	176	4	.608	1,591	9.0	16	162.2

^A at Ferris State | [#] at MSU

► #82 BRENNAN PARACHEK

Year	G/GS	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2023	8/0	6	55	9.2	0	17	6.9
2024	12/3	8	63	7.9	0	19	5.3
2025	4/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2026	2/2	1	10	10.0	0	10	5.0
Career	26/5	15	128	8.5	0	19	4.9



TIGHT ENDS



#12 CARSON GULKER • GR./6 • 6-3 • 245

Zeeland, Mich. / Zeeland West HS / Ferris State (2021-25)

2026: 1 game

- Played five seasons (2021-25) at Ferris State and was a part of four Division II National Championship teams for the Bulldogs, starting games at both quarterback and tight end in his career while also carrying the ball 422 times for 2,228 yards and 50 rushing TDs, including a school-record 31 in 2022.
- The multi-dimensional player accounted for a total of 73 touchdowns at FSU (50 rushing, 16 passing and seven receiving).
- Most recently, he played in all 16 games, including 11 starts, for the 2025 National Champions with a team-best 548 receiving yards on 34 catches. A first-team All-GLIAC selection as an H-Back, Gulker also had 541 rushing yards on 81 carries to rank third on the team with 1,089 all-purpose yards and fourth with 12 total TDs (seven receiving, five rushing).



#82 BRENNAN PARACHEK • GR./4 • 6-5 • 249

Dexter, Mich. / Dexter HS

2026: 2 games/2 starts, 1 catch, 10 yards, 10.0 avg, 5.0 ypg

- Fourth-year player has started the first two games at tight end.
- Only played in four games last season and redshirted.
- Has 15 career catches for 128 yards in 26 career games (five starts).



#88 KAI RIOS • R-SR./5 • 6-6 • 262

Rock Island, Ill. / Rock Island HS / Indiana State (2022-24)

2026: 2 games, 1 catch, 5 yards, 5.0 avg., 2.5 ypg

- Fifth-year senior has played in 25 snaps the first two games.
- Has played in 33 career games; joined MSU as a transfer from Indiana State in 2025.



#31 JAYDEN SAVOURY • R-FR./2 • 6-5 • 253

Canton, Mich. / Orchard Lake St. Mary's HS

2026: 2 games/1 start, 8 catches, 99 yards, 12.4 avg., 49.5 ypg

- Second-year player has eight catches for 99 yards in the first two games of the season.
- Tied his career high with four catches for the second game in a row against Eastern Michigan (9/12) while compiling 63 receiving yards, including a 46-yard catch-and-run in the fourth quarter.
- Played in just four games as a true freshman in 2025 to preserve his redshirt year.



DEFENSIVE LINE



#52 MIKESHUN BEELER • R-SO./3 • 6-2 • 290
Chicago, Ill. / Simeon HS
2026: 2 games, 4 tackles, 0.5 TFL (3 yards)

- Third-year player adds depth along the defensive front for the Spartans.
- Posted a career-high three tackles in the season-opening win over Toledo (9/4).



#96 ELI COENEN • R-JR./4 • 6-6 • 287
Baldwin, Wis. / Baldwin-Woodville HS / Bemidji State (2023-24) / Illinois (2025)
2026: 2 games/2 starts, 7 tackles, 3.0 sacks (22 yards), 1 PBU

- Fourth-year player transferred from Illinois and is in his first season at MSU.
- Currently ranks first in the Big Ten with three sacks.
- Was named the Spartan Defensive Player of the Week with three tackles, an 11-yard sack and a pass break-up vs. Toledo, and earned the honor for the second week in a row after recording four tackles with two sacks against Eastern Michigan.



#55 BEN ROBERTS • R-SR./5 • 6-3 • 325
Lakewood, Wash. / East (Utah) HS / Oregon (2022-23)
2026: 2 games/2 starts, 4 tackles, 0.5 TFL

- Fifth-year senior is in his third season at MSU after transferring from Oregon.
- Has played in 28 career games, including six starts.



#98 DERRICK SIMMONS • R-FR./2 • 6-3 • 305
Frankenmuth, Mich. / Frankenmuth HS
2026: 2 games, 1 PBU

- Second-year player redshirted in 2025 after playing in just four games.
- Was the consensus No. 1 defensive tackle prospect in the state of Michigan in the Class of 2025.

DEFENSIVE LINE: SNAPSHOT

► ROSTER (8)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
57	Hudson Aultman	Fr./1	6-4/312	Delaware, OH
52	Mikeshun Beeler	R-So./3	6-2/290	Chicago, IL
96	Eli Coenen	R-Jr./4	6-6/287	Baldwin, WI
25	Carlos Hazelwood	R-So./3	6-4/290	Chicago, IL
91	Jackson Pahl	Fr./1	6-2/282	Howell, MI
55	Ben Roberts	R-Sr./5	6-3/325	Lakewood, WA
98	Derrick Simmons	R-Fr./2	6-3/305	Frankenmuth, MI
97	Cal Thrush	R-Fr./2	6-5/263	Upper Arlington, OH

► POSITION COACH

Winston DeLattiboudere III (first season)

SPARTANS IN THE NFL

Michigan State has 23 former players listed on rosters for National Football League teams as of Sept. 10, 2026:



Active Roster:

Joe Bachie, LB	Detroit Lions
Kirk Cousins, QB	Las Vegas Raiders
Ryan Eckley, P	Baltimore Ravens
Montorie Foster, WR	Seattle Seahawks
Matt Gulbin, C	Washington Commanders
Connor Heyward, FB	Las Vegas Raiders
Jalen Nailor, WR	Las Vegas Raiders
Luke Newman, OL	Chicago Bears
Jayden Reed, WR	Green Bay Packers
Nick Samac, C	Minnesota Vikings
Ameer Speed, CB	Dallas Cowboys
Jordan Turner, LB	Denver Broncos
Kenneth Walker III, RB	Kansas City Chiefs

Practice Squad:

AJ Arcuri, OT	Baltimore Ravens
Nate Carter, RB	Kansas City Chiefs
Naquan Jones, DL	Minnesota Vikings
Wayne Matthews III, LB	Chicago Bears
Ben VanSumeren, FB	Kansas City Chiefs
Jack Velling, TE	Atlanta Falcons
Jacoby Windmon, LB	Pittsburgh Steelers
Cody White, WR	Las Vegas Raiders

Reserve/Injured:

Bryce Baringer, P	New England Patriots
Kendell Brooks, DB	Tennessee Titans



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RUSH ENDS: SNAPSHOT

► ROSTER (11)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
6	Leonard Ah You	R-Fr./2	6-3/250	Laie, HI
94	Aidan Boehle	R-Jr./4	6-6/253	Minnetonka, MN
51	Kekai Burnett	R-So./3	6-3/262	Honolulu, HI
33	Cory House Jr.	Fr./1	6-3/230	Memphis, TN
11	Anelu Lafaele	R-So./3	6-2/240	Kalihi, HI
8	Trey Lisle	R-So./3	6-6/254	Fayetteville, AR
56	Chris Piwowarczyk	R-So./3	6-0/250	Fenton, MI
13	Isaac Smith	Gr./6	6-6/260	Wagoner, OK
23	Kenny Soares Jr.	Gr./5	6-2/234	Trumbull, CT
9	Keahnist Thompson	R-Sr./5	6-3/266	Lakeland, FL
47	Jaxson Wilson	R-Jr./4	6-5/258	Howell, MI

► POSITION COACH

Andrew Bindelglass (third season overall at MSU)

CAREER STATISTICS: RUSH ENDS

► #51 KEKAI BURNETT

Year	G/GS	U	A	T	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2024	1/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2025	10/1	3	3	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Career	11/1	3	3	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0

► #11 ANELU LAFAELE

Year	G/GS	U	A	T	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2025	5/0	6	1	7	2-9	2-9	0-0	0	0-0	0
2026	2/0	0	1	1	0.5-5	0.5-5	0-0	0	0-0	0
Career	7/0	6	2	8	2.5-14	2.5-14	0-0	0	0-0	0

► #8 TREY LISLE

Year	G/GS	U	A	T	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2024 [^]	1/0	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2025 [^]	8/0	7	9	16	4.5-20	0.5-4	0-0	0	0-0	0
2026 [#]	2/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Career	11/0	7	10	17	4.5-20	0.5-4	0-0	0	0-0	0

[^] at Southeast Missouri State | [#] at MSU

► #13 ISAAC SMITH

Year	G/GS	U	A	T	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2023 [^]	11/2	9	5	14	3-5	1-2	0-0	0	1-0	0
2024 [^]	12/6	15	16	31	3.5-27	2.5-24	0-0	0	0-0	0
2025 [#]	12/12	16	10	26	1-6	1-6	0-0	0	0-0	0
2026 [#]	2/1	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Career	37/21	41	33	74	7.5-38	4.5-32	0-0	0	1-0	0

[^] at Texas Tech | [#] at MSU

► #1 KENNY SOARES JR.

Year	G/GS	U	A	T	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2022 [^]	4/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2023 [^]	12/5	18	19	37	4-16	2-11	0-0	2	1-0	0
2024 [^]	12/3	13	7	20	1.5-7	0.5-3	0-0	1	0-0	0
2025 [#]	13/8	35	45	80	4-6	0.5-0	0-0	2	1-0	0
2026 [*]	2/2	2	4	6	1.5-10	1-7	1-0	1	0-0	0
Career	43/18	68	75	143	11-39	4-21	1-0	6	1-0	0

[^] at Northwestern | [#] at NC State | ^{*} at MSU

► #9 KEAHNIST THOMPSON

Year	G/GS	U	A	T	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2022 [^]	1/0	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2023 [#]	11/4	12	17	29	4-26	2.5-21	0-0	0	0-0	0
2024 [#]	12/6	11	12	23	1.5-11	0.5-6	0-0	1	0-0	0
2025 [#]	9/9	14	13	27	7-30	4-26	0-0	0	0-0	0
2026 [*]	2/1	0	4	4	1-1	0.5-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Career	35/20	38	46	84	13.5-68	7.5-53	0-0	1	0-0	0

[^] at UCF | [#] at Weber State | ^{*} at MSU



EDGE/RUSH ENDS



#11 ANELU LAFAELE • R-SO./3 • 6-2 • 240

Honolulu, Hawai'i / Punahou HS / Wisconsin (2024)

2026: 2 games, 1 tackle, 0.5 sacks (5 yards)

• Third-year player is in his second season at MSU after transferring from Wisconsin in 2025.

• Recorded seven tackles, including two sacks, in five games in 2025.



#8 TREY LISLE • R-SO./3 • 6-6 • 254

Fayetteville, Ark. / Fayetteville HS / SE Missouri State (2024-25)

2026: 2 games

• Third-year player is in his first season at MSU after transferring from Southeast Missouri State in 2026.



#13 ISAAC SMITH • GR./6 • 6-6 • 260

Wagoner, Okla. / Wagoner HS / Texas Tech (2021-24)

2026: 2 games/1 start, 3 tackles

• Sixth-year graduate is in his second season at MSU after transferring from Texas Tech in 2025.

• Has played in 37 career games with 21 career starts.



#1 KENNY SOARES JR. • GR./5 • 6-2 • 234 • CAPTAIN

Trumbull, Conn. / Avon Old Farms HS / Northwestern (2022-24) / NC State (2025)

2026: 2 games/2 starts, 6 tackles, 1.5 TFLs (10 yards), 1 sack (7 yards) 1 INT, 1 PBU

• Fifth-year graduate is in his first season at MSU after transferring from North Carolina State in 2026.

• Off to a strong start with six tackles, 1.5 TFLs, 1.0 sack and an interception in his first two games.

• Has 143 career tackles, including 11.0 TFLs and 4.0 sacks, with six PBUs and one

interception in 43 collegiate games, including 18 starts.

• Voted to wear the #1 jersey in 2026 by his teammates.

• Recruited by Pat Fitzgerald to Northwestern and played for Fitzgerald during the 2022 season.



#9 KEAHNIST THOMPSON • R-SR./5 • 6-3 • 266

Lakeland, Fla. / Lakeland HS / UCF (2022) / Weber State (2023-25)

2026: 2 games/1 start, 4 tackles, 1.0 TFL (1 yard), 0.5 sacks

• Fifth-year player is in his first season at MSU after transferring from Weber State.

• Had three tackles, including a half sack, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12).

• Named to the Senior Bowl 300 List and the Shrine Bowl 1000 List.

• Has 84 tackles, including 13.5 TFLs and 7.5 sacks, in 35 collegiate games with 20 starts.



LINEBACKERS

**#18 DION CRAWFORD • SR./4 • 6-1 • 243**

Atlanta, Ga. / Collins Hill HS / Buffalo (2023-25)

2026: 1 game/1 start, 7 tackles

- Fourth-year player is in his first season at MSU after transferring from Buffalo.
- Recorded seven tackles in his Spartan debut vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12) after missing the season opener due to an injury.
- Has 178 tackles, 21 TFLs and 12 sacks in 36 career games, including 22 starts.

**#5 JORDAN HALL • SR./4 • 6-3 • 249 • CAPTAIN**

Fredericksburg, Va. / IMG Academy HS

BEDNARIK AWARD WATCH LIST / BUTKUS AWARD WATCH LIST**2026: 1 game/1 start, 4 tackles, 1 TFL (3 yards)**

- Three-year letterwinner was voted a team captain for the second straight year; first Spartan linebacker to be named a captain in back-to-back years since Joe Bachie (2018-19).
- First-team preseason All-Big Ten selection by Phil Steele.

- Has collected 183 tackles, 14 TFLs and seven sacks in 36 career games (20 starts)
- Led team with a career-high 88 tackles in 2025; earned honorable mention All-Big Ten.

**#45 BRADY PRETZLAFF • R-SO./3 • 6-3 • 238**

Gaylord, Mich. / Gaylord HS

2026: 2 games/2 starts, 13 tackles

- Third-year player has started the first two games of the season and is tied for the team lead with 13 tackles.
- Posted a career-high eight stops vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12).
- Earned his first career start in season opener vs. Toledo and had five tackles.
- Played in four games to redshirt in 2024 and played in just three games last season due to an injury.

**#12 CAM STODGILL • SR./4 • 6-3 • 222**

Charlotte, N.C. / LaSalle HS / Albany (2023-25)

2026: 2 games, 1 tackle, 1 PBU

- Fourth-year player is in his first season at MSU after transferring from Albany.
- Has 102 tackles, 4.5 TFLs and 2.5 sacks in 27 collegiate games (15 starts).

**#44 CALEB WHEATLAND • GR./5 • 6-1 • 244**

Centreville, Va. / Avalon School / Maryland (2022-24) / Auburn (2025)

2026: 2 games, 5 tackles, 0.5 TFLs (1 yard)

- Fifth-year graduate is in his first season at MSU after transferring from Auburn.
- Has 106 tackles, 15.0 TFLs and 7.5 sacks in 40 collegiate games (12 starts).

LINEBACKERS: SNAPSHOT

► ROSTER (9)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
18	Dion Crawford	Sr./4	6-1/243	Atlanta, GA
5	Jordan Hall	Sr./4	6-3/249	Fredericksburg, VA
39	Jack Lansing III	Fr./1	6-0/213	Brighton, MI
10	DiMari Malone	R-Fr./2	6-1/238	Macomb Twp., MI
45	Brady Pretzlaff	R-So./3	6-3/238	Gaylord, MI
16	Adam Shaw	Fr./1	6-3/223	River Vale, NJ
12	Cam Stodgill	Sr./4	6-3/222	Charlotte, NC
44	Caleb Wheatland	Gr./5	6-1/244	Centreville, VA
23	DeJae White	R-Fr./2	6-3/225	Pontiac, MI

► POSITION COACH

Max Bullough (first season)

CAREER STATISTICS: LINEBACKERS

► #18 DION CRAWFORD

Year	G/GS	U	A	T	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2023 [^]	11/2	23	8	31	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
2024 [^]	13/12	28	31	59	15-65	8.5-51	0-0	2	0-0	1
2025 [^]	13/7	30	51	81	5-19	3.5-15	0-0	1	0-0	1
2026#	1/1	0	7	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Career	36/22	81	97	178	21-85	12-66	0-0	4	0-0	2

[^] at Buffalo | # at MSU

► #5 JORDAN HALL

Year	G/GS	U	A	T	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2023	12/6	31	36	67	7.5-49	4.5-42	0-0	1	0-0	1
2024	11/1	13	11	24	1-1	0-0	0-0	2	0-0	0
2025	12/12	47	41	88	4.5-17	2.5-14	1-0	1	1-0	3
2026	1/1	1	3	4	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Career	36/20	92	91	183	14-70	7-56	1-0	4	1-0	4

► #45 BRADY PRETZLAFF

Year	G/GS	U	A	T	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2024	4/0	5	2	7	1-4	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2025	3/0	4	0	4	1-3	0-0	0-0	2	0-0	0
2026	2/2	4	9	13	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Career	9/2	13	11	24	2-7	0-0	0-0	2	0-0	0

► #12 CAM STODGILL

Year	G/GS	U	A	T	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2023 [^]	6/0	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2024 [^]	12/8	26	23	49	2.5-23	2-22	0-0	0	0-0	0
2025 [^]	7/7	23	42	65	2-2	0.5-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2026#	2/0	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Career	27/15	63	39	102	4.5-25	2.5-22	0-0	1	0-0	0

[^] at Albany | # at MSU

► #44 CALEB WHEATLAND

Year	G/GS	U	A	T	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2022 [^]	11/1	14	3	17	2-3	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2023 [^]	13/0	23	18	41	5.5-29	3.5-24	0-0	1	0-0	0
2024 [^]	11/11	24	18	42	7-39	4-32	0-0	2	1-0	0
2025*	3/0	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2026#	2/0	1	4	5	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Career	40/12	63	43	106	15-72	7.5-56	0-0	3	1-0	0

[^] at Maryland | * at Auburn | # at MSU



2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

CORNERBACKS: SNAPSHOT

► ROSTER (10)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
3	Tre Bell	Gr./5	6-1/200	St. Louis, MO
4	Charles Brantley	Gr./6	6-0/170	Sarasota, FL
14	Andrew Brinson IV	R-So./3	6-1/186	Tampa, FL
0	NiJhay Burt	R-Sr./5	5-11/188	Homestead, PA
22	Tyran Chappell	R-So./3	6-3/189	Dallas, TX
29	KJ Deriso	Fr./1	6-0/160	Atlanta, GA
24	Jeremiah Favorite	Fr./1	5-11/172	Myrtle Beach, SC
42	Luca Genrich	Fr./1	5-10/187	Farmington, MI
27	Truth Umenyiora	Fr./1	6-1/194	Atlanta, GA
20	Keshawn Williams	R-So./3	6-0/187	Murfreesboro, TN

► POSITION COACH

Hank Poteat (first season)



CORNERBACKS



#3 TRE BELL • GR./5 • 6-1 • 200

St. Louis, Mo. / Parkway West HS / Lindenwood (2022-24) / Iowa State (2025)
2026: 2 games/2 starts, 6 tackles, 2.5 TFLs (14 yards), 1 sack (7 yards), 1 PBU

- Fifth-year graduate is in his first season at MSU after transferring from Iowa State.
- Ranks second on the team with 2.5 TFLs (14 yards).
- Had three tackles, 2 TFLs, one sack and one PBU in his Spartan debut vs. Toledo (9/4).
- Has 90 tackles, 7.0 TFLs, 14 PBUs and three interceptions in 34 career games.



#4 CHARLES BRANTLEY • GR./6 • 6-0 • 170

Sarasota, Fla. / Venice HS / Michigan State (2021-24) / Miami (2025)
2026: 2 games/1 start, 5 tackles, 1 FR, 1 FF

- Sixth-year graduate played his first four seasons (2021-24) at Michigan State; returned to MSU in 2026 after transferring to Miami in 2025.
- Started his 25th game at cornerback for the Spartans in the season opener against Toledo (9/4).
- Forced a fumble and recovered it on the same play in third quarter against Eastern Michigan (9/12); also had four tackles against the Eagles.
- Has 109 tackles, 18 PBUs, 5 INTs and 4.5 TFLs in 35 career games.



#22 TYRAN CHAPPELL • R-SO./3 • 6-3 • 189

Dallas, Texas / Ryan HS / Houston Christian (2024-25)
2026: 2 games/1 start, 4 tackles, 1 PBU

- Third-year player is in his first season at MSU after transferring from Houston Christian.
- Started his first game as a Spartan vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12).
- Recorded two tackles and one PBU in his Spartan debut vs. Toledo (9/4).
- Named to the Stats Perform FCS Freshman All-America Team and was graded the No. 2 freshman cornerback (84.8) in the FCS by Pro Football Focus in 2025 after recording four interceptions and seven PBUs.



SAFETIES



#21 NIKAI MARTINEZ • GR./5 • 5-11 • 196 • CAPTAIN

Apopka, Fla. / Apopka HS / UCF (2023-24)

2026: 2 games/2 starts, 6 tackles, 1 PBU

- Fifth-year graduate is in his third season at MSU after playing his first two seasons at UCF.

- Has started in all 18 games he has played in at Michigan State (12 in 2024, four in 2025, two in 2026).

- Has recorded 156 tackles, 5.5 TFLs, 5 INTs and 6 PBUs in 45 collegiate games (27

at UCF; 18 at MSU)

- Has started 31 career games at safety, most on the defense at any position.



#7 MICHAEL RICHARD • SR./4 • 5-10 • 179

New Orleans, La. / Edna Karr HS / Louisiana Tech (2023-25)

2026: 2 games/2 starts, 6 tackles, 1 TFL (3 yards)

- Fourth-year senior is in his first season as a Spartan after transferring from Louisiana Tech.

- Played safety at Louisiana Tech; primarily plays nickelback.

- Started in his Spartan debut (9/4 vs. Toledo) and tied for team lead with five tackles.

- Has played in 36 collegiate games, including 24 career starts.

- Productive career at La. Tech with 104 tackles, 7.5 TFLs, 3 INTs and 11 PBUs in three seasons.



#2 DEVIN VAUGHT • R-JR./4 • 6-0 • 212

Charlotte, N.C. / Mallard Creek HS / Maine (2023-25)

2026: 2 games/2 starts, 13 tackles, 1 TFL (1 yard)

- Fourth-year player is in his first season at MSU after playing his first three years at Maine.

- Tied for team lead with 13 tackles in the first two games.

- Collected eight stops, including a 1-yard loss, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12).

- Recorded five tackles in his Spartan debut against Toledo (9/4).

- Has started in 25 of his 28 career games at safety, including two at MSU.

- Recorded 106 tackles, 9 PBUs, 6 INTs and 2.5 TFLs in three seasons at Maine.

SAFETIES: SNAPSHOT

► ROSTER (12)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
35	Elijah Caldwell	Fr./1	6-0/188	Jacksonville, FL
31	Deuce Edwards	R-Fr./2	6-0/202	Richmond, VA
15	Caleb Gash	R-Jr./4	6-0/193	South Lyon, MI
17	Jonathan Granby	Fr./1	5-10/200	Alpharetta, GA
30	Aveon Grose	R-Sr./5	5-11/187	Mansfield, OH
34	Khalil Majeed	Gr./6	5-11/201	Moorestown, NJ
21	Nikai Martinez	Gr./5	5-11/196	Apoka, FL
26	Trevaughn Martinez	R-Jr./4	5-9/175	Ft. Lauderdale, FL
7	Michael Richard	Sr./4	5-10/179	New Orleans, LA
28	Brayden Thomas	Fr./1	6-0/177	Cleveland, OH
2	Devin Vaught	R-Jr./4	6-0/212	Charlotte, NC
32	Evan Young	R-Fr./2	6-0/196	Lufkin, TX

► POSITION COACH

James Adams (second season)

TRACKING EXPLOSIVE PLAYS (20-PLUS YARDS)

Player	No.	TD	R	P	KR	PR	IR	FR
Cam Edwards	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Chrishon McCray	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Kenneth Williams	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Rodney Bullard Jr.	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Charles Taplin	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Jayden Savoury	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	8	1	2	4	1	1	0	0

TOTAL: 8 (1 TDs)

Rushing: 2 (0 TDs)

Passing: 4 (1 TD)

Kickoff Returns: 1

Punt Returns: 1

Interception Returns: 0

Fumble Returns: 0

Blocked Kick Returns: 0

BY GAME:

TOL: 3 (0 TDs, 0 rush, 2 pass, 1 KR)

EMU: 5 (1 TD, 2 rush, 2 pass, 1 PR)



2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

SPECIALISTS: SNAPSHOT

► ROSTER (6)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
37	Liam Boyd (K)	Gr./5	6-1/200	Asheville, NC
9	Rhys Dakin (P)	Jr./3	6-4/235	Melbourne, AU
50	Nick Duzansky (LS)	R-Jr./4	6-5/197	Glen Elyn, IL
85	Stephen Gonzales (K)	Fr./1	5-10/182	Monroe, NC
53	Trey Serauskis (LS)	Fr./1	5-10/205	Frankfort, IL
49	Alex Weeks (P)	R-Fr./2	6-4/191	Desert Mtn., AZ

► POSITION COACH

LeVar Woods (first season)

MSU'S ALL-TIME OVERTIME RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Result
10/10/1998	Indiana (2OT)	W, 38-31
10/30/2004	at Michigan (3OT)	L, 37-45
9/17/2005	at Notre Dame	W, 44-41
10/1/2005	Michigan	L, 31-34
10/6/2007	Northwestern	L, 41-48
10/27/2007	at Iowa (2OT)	L, 27-34
10/3/2009	Michigan	W, 26-20
9/18/2010	Notre Dame	W, 34-31
1/2/2012	vs. Georgia (3OT)	W, 33-30
10/13/2012	Iowa (2OT)	L, 16-19
10/27/2012	at Wisconsin	W, 16-13
10/1/2016	at Indiana	L, 21-24
10/28/2017	at Northwestern (3OT)	L, 31-39
9/25/2021	Nebraska	W, 23-20
10/15/2022	Wisconsin (2OT)	W, 34-28
11/19/2022	Indiana (2OT)	L, 31-39
9/6/2025	Boston College (2OT)	W, 42-40
11/1/2025	at Minnesota	L, 23-20

All-Time Overtime Record: 9-9 (.500)

Home Overtime Record: 6-4 (.600)

Road Overtime Record: 2-5 (.286)

Neutral/Bowl Overtime Record: 1-0 (1.000)



SPECIALISTS



#37 PK LIAM BOYD • GR./5 • 6-1 • 200

Asheville, N.C. / Asheville HS / Clemson (2022) / UNC (2023-24) / Charlotte (2025)
2026: 5-of-6 FGs (.833), 6-for-6 PATs (1.000)

- Fifth-year graduate joined the Spartan program in January after transferring from Charlotte.

- Made five field goals in the season opener against Toledo, the most ever by a Spartan kicker in his debut and tied for the second most in a single game in school history.



#9 P RHYS DAKIN • JR./3 • 6-4 • 235

Melbourne, Australia / Mazenod College / Iowa (2024-25)

2026: 48.3-yard avg., 2 punts inside the 20, 2 punts inside the 10

- Third-year junior is in his first year at MSU after spending two seasons at Iowa.

- Was a Freshman All-American at Iowa in 2024 and honorable mention All-Big Ten in 2025.



#50 LS NICK DUZANSKY • R-JR./4 • 6-5 • 197

Glen Elyn, Ill. / St. Francis HS / Oregon (2023-25)

- Fourth-year player is in his first year at MSU after transferring from Oregon in 2026.



#13 PR CHRISHON McCRAY • R-SR./5 • 5-10 • 180

Avon, Ind. / Avon HS / Kent State (2022-24)

2026: 2 games, 15.3-yard PR avg. (4 returns for 61 yards)

- Returned three punts for 30 yards, with a long of 13, against Toledo in the season opener (9/4).

- Had a 31-yard punt return that set up MSU's first TD against Eastern Michigan (9/12); named the Spartan Special Teams Player of the Week.



#32 KR KENNETH WILLIAMS • R-JR./4 • 5-9 • 191

Detroit, Mich. / Lincoln (Neb.) HS / Nebraska (2023-25)

2026: 1 game, 47.0-yard avg. (1 return for 47 yards)

- Second-team preseason All-Big Ten selection (Phil Steele, The Athletic, Athlon Sports)

- Returned his first Spartan kickoff 47 yards in the season opener vs. Toledo (9/4).



SPARTAN FOOTBALL PROGRAM & PERSONNEL NOTES

► SPARTANS ENTER 2026 AS ONE OF THE MOST EXPERIENCED TEAMS IN POWER 4

• According to The Athletic, Michigan State had one of the most experienced rosters in the Power 4 heading into the 2026 season.

• In a breakdown of the 68 Power 4 teams (and Notre Dame), Michigan State ranked fourth in career starts (570), seventh in career snaps (44,903) and 21st in career games (1,394). Those numbers rank No. 1, No. 2 and No. 6 in the Big Ten, respectively.

• Michigan State features an experienced offensive line with a total of 139 combined starts (**Conner Moore**, 42; **Trent Fraley**, 31; **Ben Murawski**, 21; **Nick Sharpe**, 19; **Robert Wright Jr.**, 11; **Rakeem Johnson**, 7; **Rustin Young**, 5; **Luka Vincic**, 3).

► SEVERAL SPARTANS EARN PRESEASON HONORS

Several Michigan State Spartans earned preseason honors entering the 2026 season.

- Gr. CB #3 **Tre Bell** (Shrine Bowl 1000 List)
- Jr. P #9 **Rhys Dakin** (Preseason All-Big Ten: Phil Steele, second team; Athlon Sports, second team)
- Gr. RB #0 **Cam Edwards** (Maxwell Award Player of the Year Watch List; Doak Walker Award Watch List; Shrine Bowl 1000 List)
- Gr. QB #2 **Cam Fancher** (Comeback Player of the Year Watch List)
- Gr. C #63 **Trent Fraley** (Preseason All-Big Ten: Phil Steele, second team; The Athletic, third team; Shrine Bowl 1000 list)
- Sr. LB #5 **Jordan Hall** (Bednarik Award Watch List; Butkus Award Watch List; Preseason All-Big Ten: Phil Steele, first team; Athlon Sports, third team; AFCA Good Works Team nominee; Wuerffel Trophy Watch List; Shrine Bowl 1000 List)
- Gr. S #21 **Nikai Martinez** (Shrine Bowl 1000 List)
- R-Sr. WR #13 WR **Chrishon McCray** (Shrine Bowl 1000 List)
- R-Sr. OL #58 **Conner Moore** (Preseason All-Big Ten: Phil Steele, second team; Shrine Bowl 1000 List)
- Gr. OL #75 **Ben Murawski** (Outland Trophy Watch List; Preseason All-Big Ten: Phil Steele, second team; Shrine Bowl 1000 List)
- Sr. DB #7 **Michael Richard** (Shrine Bowl 1000 List)
- Gr. EDGE #1 **Kenny Soares Jr.** (Shrine Bowl 1000 List)
- R-Sr. EDGE #9 **Keahnist Thompson** (Senior Bowl Top 300 List; Shrine Bowl 1000 List)
- R-Jr. KR #32 **Kenneth Williams** (Preseason All-Big Ten: The Athletic, second team; Phil Steele, second team; Athlon Sports, second team)

► SEVERAL NEW FACES IN WEEK 1 STARTING LINEUP

• A total of 13 players who made their Spartan debuts against Toledo were in the starting lineup:

Offense (5): RB Cam Edwards, WR Fredrick Moore, OG Nick Sharpe, C Nick Fraley, LT Ben Murawski
Defense (5): EDGE Kenny Soares Jr.; S Devin Vaught; CB Tre Bell; DB Michael Richard; DL Eli Coenen
Special Teams (3): P Rhys Dakin, PK Liam Boyd, LS Nick Duzansky

► CAPTAIN KENNY SOARES JR. VOTED TO WEAR #1 JERSEY IN 2026

• A tradition of head coach **Pat Fitzgerald** is to have the team vote for a player to wear the #1 jersey. At the beginning of preseason camp, fifth-year graduate senior rush end **Kenny Soares Jr.** was voted by his teammates to don the #1 jersey for the 2026 season. Soares was also elected a team captain at the end of preseason camp.

• Soares played for Fitzgerald at Northwestern during the 2022 season and spent three seasons overall (2022-24) with the Wildcats. After transferring to North Carolina State in 2025, Soares recorded a career-high 80 tackles, second most on the Wolfpack, and played in all 13 games, including starting assignments the last eight games in a row at middle linebacker. A native of Trumbull, Connecticut, Soares has played in 41 career games and is shifting to rush end for the Spartans this season.

POLLS (SEPT. 13)

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Rk.	School	Record
1.	Texas (56)	2-0
2.	Georgia (3)	2-0
3.	Notre Dame (1)	2-0
4.	Indiana (3)	2-0
5.	Miami (4)	2-0
6.	Ohio State	1-1
7.	LSU (1)	2-0
8.	Ole Miss	2-0
9.	Texas A&M	2-0
10.	Alabama	2-0
11.	BYU	2-0
12.	USC	3-0
13.	Texas Tech	2-0
14.	Penn State	2-0
15.	Tennessee	2-0
16.	SMU	2-0
17.	Utah	2-0
18.	Iowa	2-0
19.	Michigan	2-0
20.	Missouri	2-0
21.	Oregon	1-1
22.	Houston	2-0
23.	Louisville	1-1
24.	Oklahoma	1-1
25.	Virginia	2-0

AFCA COACHES

Rk.	School	Record
1.	Texas (42)	2-0
2.	Georgia (15)	2-0
3.	Notre Dame (4)	2-0
4.	Indiana (10)	2-0
5.	Miami (2)	2-0
6.	Ohio State	1-1
7.	LSU (1)	2-0
8.	Texas A&M	2-0
9.	Ole Miss	2-0
10.	Alabama	2-0
11.	USC	3-0
12.	Texas Tech	2-0
13.	BYU	2-0
14.	Tennessee	2-0
15.	Penn State	2-0
16.	SMU	2-0
17.	Utah	2-0
18.	Oregon	1-1
19.	Michigan	2-0
20.	Iowa	2-0
21.	Oklahoma	1-1
22.	Missouri	2-0
23.	Houston	2-0
24.	Washington	2-0
25.	Virginia	2-0

(First-place votes) | **Bold** indicates MSU opponent



2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

SPARTAN STREAKS

Consecutive Games Started at MSU

Conner Moore, OL	14
Alessio Milivojevic, QB	6
Rakeem Johnson, OL	6

MSU'S ALL-TIME NIGHT GAMES AT SPARTAN STADIUM

Date	Opponent	Result
Sept. 7, 1987	No. 19 USC	W, 27-13
Sept. 12, 1998	No. 10 Notre Dame	W, 45-23
Sept. 2, 1999	Oregon	W, 27-20
Oct. 26, 2002	Wisconsin	L, 42-24
Sept. 18, 2004	Notre Dame	L, 31-24
Sept. 23, 2006	Notre Dame	L, 40-37
Oct. 13, 2007	Indiana	W, 52-27
Oct. 24, 2009	No. 7 Iowa	L, 15-13
Sept. 18, 2010	Notre Dame	W, 34-31 (OT)
Sept. 2, 2011	Youngstown State	W, 28-6
Oct. 22, 2011	No. 4 Wisconsin	W, 37-31
Aug. 31, 2012	No. 24 Boise State	W, 17-13
Sept. 15, 2012	No. 20 Notre Dame	L, 20-3
Aug. 30, 2013	Western Michigan	W, 26-13
Aug. 29, 2014	Jacksonville State	W, 45-7
Oct. 4, 2014	No. 19 Nebraska	W, 27-22
Nov. 8, 2014	No. 13 Ohio State	L, 49-37
Sept. 12, 2015	No. 7 Oregon	W, 31-28
Sept. 2, 2016	Furman	W, 28-13
Sept. 23, 2017	Notre Dame	L, 38-18
Aug. 31, 2018	Utah State	W, 38-31
Aug. 30, 2019	Tulsa	W, 28-7
Sept. 7, 2019	Western Michigan	W, 51-17
Sept. 25, 2021	Nebraska	W, 23-20 (OT)
Oct. 2, 2021	Western Kentucky	W, 48-31
Sept. 2, 2022	Western Michigan	W, 35-13
Sept. 1, 2023	Central Michigan	W, 31-7
Oct. 21, 2023	No. 2 Michigan	L, 0-49
Aug. 30, 2024	Florida Atlantic	W, 16-10
Sept. 28, 2024	No. 3 Ohio State	L, 38-7
Oct. 19, 2024	Iowa	W, 32-20
Nov. 22, 2024	Purdue	W, 24-17
Aug. 29, 2025	Western Michigan	W, 23-6
Sept. 6, 2025	Boston College	W, 42-40 (2OT)
Oct. 25, 2025	No. 25 Michigan	L, 31-20
Sept. 4, 2026	Toledo	W, 30-20

All-Time Night Game Spartan Stadium Record:
26-10 (.722)
Record in Big Ten Games: 6-6
Record vs. Ranked Teams: 6-6
Record vs. Nonconference Opponents: 20-4
Record in Overtime Games: 3-0

► SPARTANS WELCOME 32 TRANSFERS TO 2026 ROSTER

• The Spartans welcomed 32 transfers to the 2026 roster.

• MSU added 15 transfers on defense that have started a combined 181 games in their careers, while the 13 transfers on offense have started a combined 176 games.

Here's a breakdown of the incoming transfers by position:

OFFENSE (13)

»**WR (3):** Gr.-5 Jameel Gardner Jr. (Jackson State), R-Jr. Fredrick Moore (Michigan), R-Jr. KK Smith (Notre Dame)

»**OL (4):** Gr.-5 Trent Fraley (North Dakota State), Gr.-5 Ben Murawski (UConn), Gr.-6 Nick Sharpe (South Carolina), R-Jr. Robert Wright Jr. (Georgia Southern)

»**TE (1):** Gr.-6 Carson Gulker (Ferris State)

»**RB (4):** Gr.-5 Cam Edwards (UConn), So. Marvis Parrish (Western Kentucky), Gr.-5 Jaziun Patterson (Iowa), R-Jr. Kenneth Williams (Nebraska)

»**QB (1):** Gr.-6 Cam Fancher (UCF)

DEFENSE (15)

»**DL (2):** R-Jr. Eli Coenen (Illinois), R-So. Carlos Hazelwood (Toledo)

»**EDGE (4):** R-Jr. Aidan Boehle (Winona State) R-So. Trey Lisle (Southeast Missouri State), Gr.-5 Kenny Soares Jr. (NC State), R-Sr. Keahnist Thompson (Weber State)

»**LB (3):** Sr. Dion Crawford (Buffalo), Sr. Cam Stodghill (Albany), Gr.-5 Caleb Wheatland (Auburn)

»**CB (3):** Gr.-5 Tre Bell (Iowa State), Gr.-6 Charles Brantley (Miami), R-So. Tyran Chappell (Houston Christian)

»**S (3):** R-Jr. Trevaughn Martinez (Western Carolina), Sr. Michael Richard (Louisiana Tech), R-Jr. Devin Vaught (Maine)

SPECIAL TEAMS (4)

»**PK (1):** Gr.-5 Liam Boyd (Charlotte)

»**P (2):** Jr. Rhys Dakin (Iowa), R-Fr., Alex Weeks (Northern Arizona)

»**LS (1):** R-Jr. Nick Duzansky (Oregon)

Additional Transfer Breakdown:

By Class:

- Seniors (Graduate/Sixth-Year/Fifth-Year/Fourth-Year): 17
- Redshirt Juniors/Juniors: 10
- Redshirt Sophomores/Sophomores: 4
- Redshirt Freshmen: 1

► ALL IN THE FAMILY

• Michigan State has a deep family legacy on the 2026 roster, from siblings to fathers to relatives.

Legacy: **Jace Clarizio** (father Craig); **Deuce Edwards** (cousin Felton Davis III); **Aveon Grose** (brother Angelo); **Chris Piwowarczyk** (father Chris); **Jaxson Wilson** (late father Travis).

Siblings: **Caleb/Samon Gash**, **Nikai/Trevaughn Martinez**

Alumni: Co-DC/LB coach **Max Bullough** (LB from 2010-13), WR coach **Courtney Hawkins** (WR from 1988-91)

2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



► SPARTANS BOAST 19 GRADUATES ON 2025 ROSTER

• Michigan State has 19 graduates on its 2026 roster:

Tre Bell (Iowa State, Management, 2026)
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Charles Brantley (Miami, American Studies, 2026)
Rodney Bullard (Valdosta State, Interdisciplinary Studies, 2023)
Jay Coyne (Michigan State, Food Industry Management, 2026)
Cam Edwards (UConn, Urban and Community Studies, 2026)
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Trent Fraley (North Dakota State, 2026, Physical Education)
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Carson Gulker (Ferris State, Business Administration, 2025)
Khalil Majeed (Michigan State, Criminal Justice, 2025)
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Ben Murawski (UConn, Economics of Sustainable Development and Management, 2026)
Brennan Parachek (Michigan State, Communication, 2026)
Jaziun Patterson (Iowa, Sport and Recreation Management, 2026)
Nick Sharpe (Wake Forest, Communication, 2024)
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Kenny Soares Jr. (Northwestern, Education & Social Policy, 2025)
Caleb Wheatland (Maryland, Criminology & Criminal Justice, 2025)

► 2026 OPPONENTS UPDATE

Date vs.

MSU	Opponent	Last Game Result	Next Game
Sept. 4	Toledo (1-1)	vs. Central Conn. State (W, 63-10)	vs. Temple
Sept. 12	Eastern Michigan (1-2)	at Michigan State (L, 35-7)	at Wisconsin
Sept. 19	at Notre Dame (2-0)	vs. Rice (W, 52-0)	vs. Michigan State
Sept. 26	Nebraska (2-0)	vs. Bowling Green (W, 56-7)	vs. North Dakota
Oct. 3	at Wisconsin (1-1)	vs. Western Illinois (W, 36-9)	vs. Eastern Michigan
Oct. 10	Illinois (1-1)	vs. Duke (L, 31-27)	vs. Southern Illinois
Oct. 17	Northwestern (1-0)	vs. South Dakota State (W, 34-18)	vs. Colorado
Oct. 24	at UCLA (2-0)	vs. San Diego State (W, 28-10)	vs. Purdue
Nov. 7	at Michigan (2-0)	vs. Oklahoma (W, 17-10)	vs. UTEP
Nov. 14	vs. Washington (2-0)	vs. Utah State (W, 16-14)	vs. E. Washington
Nov. 20	vs. Oregon (1-1)	at Oklahoma State (L, 39-31)	vs. Portland State
Nov. 28	at Rutgers (0-2)	at Boston College (L, 28-21)	vs. USC

BIG TEN/FBS LEADERS

Here's a glance at how Michigan State ranks among the Big Ten/FBS individual stat leaders in 2026:

Individual Statistics (Big Ten Rank/FBS Top 50)

All-Purpose:

Cam Edwards (8th/25th with 131.0 ypg)

Completion Percentage:

Alessio Milivojevic (6th/31st with .704)

Completions Per Game:

Alessio Milivojevic (7th/41st with 19.0 pg)

Field Goals Per Game:

Liam Boyd (2nd/6th with 2.5 pg)

Punt Returns:

Chrishon McCray (4th/19th with 15.3 avg.)

Rushing Touchdowns:

Cam Edwards (3rd/11th with 3)

Rushing Yards Per Game:

Cam Edwards (1st/5th with 125.0 ypg)

Sacks:

Eli Coenen (1st/4th with 1.5 pg)

Scoring:

Liam Boyd (8th/32nd with 10.5 ppg)

Total Touchdowns:

Cam Edwards (8th/25th with 3)

TRACKING TURNOVERS

Takeaways (2)	Qtr.	MSU Result
INT-Toledo (Soares)	2	FG
FUM-Eastern Michigan (Brantley)	3	TD
TOTAL: 2 takeaways for 10 points (2-for-2 scoring)		

Turnovers (1)	Qtr.	Opp. Result
FUM-Eastern Michigan (Edwards)	4	Punt
TOTAL: 1 takeaway for 0 points (0-for-1 scoring)		

MSU: +1 turnovers (+0.50 margin), +10 points off turnovers (10-0)

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6	Fredrick Moore	WR	6-1	187	R-Jr./4	TR	St. Louis, Mo. (Michigan)
7	Michael Richard	S	5-10	179	Sr./4	TR	New Orleans, La. (Louisiana Tech)
7	Brandon Tullis	RB	6-1	224	Jr./3	2L	Dallas, Texas (Memorial)
8	Trey Lisle	EDGE	6-6	254	R-So./3	TR	Fayetteville, Ark. (Southeast Missouri State)
8	KK Smith	WR	6-0	180	R-Jr./4	TR	Frisco, Texas (Notre Dame)
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9	Keahnist Thompson	EDGE	6-3	266	R-Sr./5	TR	Lakeland, Fla. (Weber State)
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19	Charles Taplin	WR	6-1	184	R-Fr./2	RS	Red Oak, Texas (Red Oak)
20	Zion Gist	RB	5-11	209	R-Fr./2	RS	Frankfurt, Ill. (Lincoln-Way East)
20	Keshawn Williams	CB	6-0	187	R-So./3	SQ	Murfreesboro, Tenn. (Riverdale)
21	Nikai Martinez	S	5-11	196	Gr./5	1L	Apopka, Fla. (UCF)
21	Marvis Parrish	RB	5-11	209	So./2	TR	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Western Kentucky)
22	Tyran Chappell	CB	6-3	189	R-So./3	TR	Dallas, Texas (Houston Christian)
22	Jack Yanachik	WR	6-2	205	R-Jr./4	SQ	Rochester Hills, Mich. (De La Salle)
23	Peyton Babbitt	QB	6-0	200	Fr./1	HS	Muskegon, Mich. (Orchard View)
23	DeJae White	LB	6-3	225	R-Fr./2	RS	Pontiac, Mich. (Orchard Lake St. Mary's)
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26	Cedric Williams Jr.	RB	5-9	201	Fr./1	HS	Canton, Mich. (Detroit Catholic Central)
27	Darrin Jones Jr.	RB	5-11	206	R-Fr./2	RS	Lake Orion, Mich. (Orchard Lake St. Mary's)
27	Truth Umenyiora	CB	6-1	194	Fr./1	HS	Atlanta, Ga. (Trinity Catholic)
28	Brayden Thomas	S	6-0	177	Fr./1	HS	Cleveland, Ohio (St. Edward)
29	KJ Deriso	CB	6-0	160	Fr./1	HS	Atlanta, Ga. (Whitewater)
30	Aveon Grose	S	5-11	187	R-Sr./5	2L	Mansfield, Ohio (Southern Illinois)
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32	Kenneth Williams	RB	5-9	191	R-Jr./4	TR	Detroit, Mich. (Nebraska)
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48	Charlie Baker	TE	6-4	252	R-So./3	SQ	East Lansing, Mich. (East Lansing)
49	Alex Weeks	P	6-4	191	R-Fr./2	TR	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Northern Arizona)
50	Nick Duzansky	LS	6-5	197	R-Jr./4	TR	Glen Ellyn, Ill. (Oregon)
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52	Mikeshun Beeler	DL	6-2	290	R-So./3	SQ	Chicago, Ill. (Simeon)
52	Nick Sharpe	OL	6-2	351	Gr./6	TR	Gastonia, N.C. (South Carolina)
53	Trey Serauskis	LS	5-10	205	Fr./1	HS	Frankfort, Ill. (Lincoln-Way East)
54	Antonio Johnson	OL	6-5	287	R-Fr./2	RS	Detroit, Mich. (Orchard Lake St. Mary's)
55	Rakeem Johnson	OL	6-4	296	R-So./3	1L	Boise, Idaho (Bishop Kelly)
55	Ben Roberts	DL	6-3	325	R-Sr./5	2L	Lakewood, Wash. (Oregon)
56	Chris Piowarczyk	EDGE	6-0	250	R-So./3	SQ	Fenton, Mich. (Fenton)
56	Jack Ziarko	OL	6-2	286	Fr./1	HS	North Canton, Ohio (Canton)
57	Hudson Aultman	DL	6-4	312	Fr./1	HS	Delaware, Ohio (Olentangy Berlin)
58	Conner Moore	OL	6-6	311	R-Sr./5	1L	Millbury, Ohio (Montana State)
61	Collin Campbell	OL	6-6	295	Fr./1	HS	Gilbert, Ariz. (Williams Field)
63	Trent Fraley	OL	6-1	306	R-Sr./5	TR	Moon Township, Pa. (North Dakota State)
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71	Robert Wright Jr.	OL	6-5	294	R-Jr./4	TR	Atlanta, Ga. (Georgia Southern)
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EXP. KEY – HS: High School in 2025; **RS:** Redshirted in 2025; **TR:** Transfer in 2026; **L:** Letters Earned at MSU; **GR:** Graduate; **SQ:** Squad Member (on team in 2025/didn't letter).

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

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 JAZZ-ee-uhn
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 #9 Keahnist Thompson:
 key-honest

#11 Anelu Lafaele: ah-neh-LU,
 lah-fuh-EL-a
 #11 Alessio Milivojevic:
 A-less-ee-o, MILL-uh-voy-a-vick
 #21 Nikai Martinez: nuh-KIE
 #22 Tyran Chappell: chapel
 #22 Jack Yanachik:
 yeah-nuh-check
 #27 TJ Umenyiora:
 you-men-YUR-uh

#29 KJ Deriso: DARE-uh-so
 #31 Jayden Savoury:
 SAVE-er-EE
 #34 Khalil Majeed:
 kuh-leel, muh-jeed
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Winston DeLattiboudere III:
 DEE-lat-TEE-bo-DARE
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6	Fredrick Moore	WR	6-1	187	R-Jr./4	TR	St. Louis, Mo. (Michigan)
75	Ben Murawski	OL	6-7	340	Gr./5	TR	Harleysville, Pa. (UConn)
76	Drew Nichols	OL	6-4	298	R-Fr./2	RS	Murrieta, Calif. (Murrieta Valley)
91	Jackson Pahl	DL	6-2	282	Fr./1	HS	Howell, Mich. (Howell)
82	Brennan Parachek	TE	6-5	249	Gr./4	2L	Dexter, Mich. (Dexter)
21	Marvis Parrish	RB	5-11	209	So./2	TR	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Western Kentucky)
4	Jaziun Patterson	RB	5-10	214	Gr./5	TR	Pompano Beach, Fla. (Iowa)
56	Chris Piowarczyk	EDGE	6-0	250	R-So./3	SQ	Fenton, Mich. (Fenton)
45	Brady Pretzlaff	LB	6-3	238	R-So./3	SQ	Gaylord, Mich. (Gaylord)
7	Michael Richard	S	5-10	179	Sr./4	TR	New Orleans, La. (Louisiana Tech)
88	Kai Rios	TE	6-6	262	R-Sr./5	1L	Rock Island, Ill. (Indiana State)
55	Ben Roberts	DL	6-3	325	R-Sr./5	2L	Lakewood, Wash. (Oregon)
31	Jayden Savoury	TE	6-5	253	R-Fr./2	RS	Canton, Mich. (Orchard Lake St. Mary's)
53	Trey Serauski	LS	5-10	205	Fr./1	HS	Frankfort, Ill. (Lincoln-Way East)
52	Nick Sharpe	OL	6-2	351	Gr./6	TR	Gastonia, N.C. (South Carolina)
16	Adam Shaw	LB	6-3	223	Fr./1	HS	River Vale, N.J. (Pascack Valley)
98	Derrick Simmons	DL	6-3	305	R-Fr./2	RS	Frankenmuth, Mich. (Frankenmuth)
13	Isaac Smith	EDGE	6-6	260	Gr./6	1L	Wagoner, Okla. (Texas Tech)
8	KK Smith	WR	6-0	180	R-Jr./4	TR	Frisco, Texas (Notre Dame)
1	Kenny Soares Jr.	EDGE	6-2	234	Gr./5	TR	Trumbull, Conn. (NC State)
12	Cam Stodghill	LB	6-3	222	Sr./4	TR	Charlotte, N.C. (Albany)
19	Charles Taplin	WR	6-1	184	R-Fr./2	RS	Red Oak, Texas (Red Oak)
28	Brayden Thomas	S	6-0	177	Fr./1	HS	Cleveland, Ohio (St. Edward)
9	Keahnist Thompson	EDGE	6-3	266	R-Sr./5	TR	Lakeland, Fla. (Weber State)
97	Cal Thrush	DL	6-5	263	R-Fr./2	RS	Upper Arlington, Ohio (Upper Arlington)
7	Brandon Tullis	RB	6-1	224	Jr./3	2L	Dallas, Texas (Memorial)
27	Truth Umenyiora	CB	6-1	194	Fr./1	HS	Atlanta, Ga. (Trinity Catholic)
2	Devin Vaught	S	6-0	212	R-Jr./4	TR	Charlotte, N.C. (Maine)
70	Luka Vincic	OL	6-5	306	R-Sr./5	SQ	Bothell, Wash. (Oregon State)
16	Zach Washington	WR	6-2	188	Fr./1	HS	Naperville, Ill. (St. Francis)
49	Alex Weeks	P	6-4	191	R-Fr./2	TR	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Northern Arizona)
44	Caleb Wheatland	LB	6-1	244	Gr./5	TR	Centreville, Va. (Auburn)
23	DeJae White	LB	6-3	225	R-Fr./2	RS	Pontiac, Mich. (Orchard Lake St. Mary's)
84	Eddie Whiting	TE	6-6	254	Fr./1	HS	Sioux Falls, S.D. (Thomas Jefferson)
14	Bryson Williams	WR	6-2	225	R-Fr./2	RS	Canton, Mich. (Orchard Lake St. Mary's)
26	Cedric Williams Jr.	RB	5-9	201	Fr./1	HS	Canton, Mich. (Detroit Catholic Central)
32	Kenneth Williams	RB	5-9	191	R-Jr./4	TR	Detroit, Mich. (Nebraska)
20	Keshawn Williams	CB	6-0	187	R-So./3	SQ	Murfreesboro, Tenn. (Riverdale)
47	Jaxson Wilson	EDGE	6-5	258	R-Jr./4	SQ	Howell, Mich. (Hartland)
71	Robert Wright Jr.	OL	6-5	294	R-Jr./4	TR	Atlanta, Ga. (Georgia Southern)
22	Jack Yanachik	WR	6-2	205	R-Jr./4	SQ	Rochester Hills, Mich. (De La Salle)
32	Evan Young	S	6-0	196	R-Fr./2	RS	Lufkin, Texas (Lufkin)
73	Rustin Young	OL	6-4	308	R-So./3	1L	Honolulu, Hawai'i (St. Louis)
56	Jack Ziarko	OL	6-2	286	Fr./1	HS	North Canton, Ohio (Canton)

EXP. KEY – HS: High School in 2025; **RS:** Redshirted in 2025; **TR:** Transfer in 2026; **L:** Letters Earned at MSU; **GR:** Graduate; **SQ:** Squad Member (on team in 2025/didn't letter).

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

PLAYERS:

#51 Kekai Burnett: cay-KIE
 #0 NiJhay Burt: nah-jhay
 #22 Tyran Chappell: chapel
 #37 Darelle Cochran: duh-rell
 #96 Eli Coenen: coo-nin
 #9 Rhys Dakin: REECE, Day-kin
 #29 KJ Deriso: DARE-uh-so
 #50 Nick Duzansky: duh-zan-ski

#11 Anelu Lafaele: ah-neh-LU, lah-fuh-EL-a
 #8 Trey Lisle: LYLE
 #34 Khalil Majeed: kuh-leel, muh-jeed
 #21 Nikai Martinez: nuh-KIE
 #11 Alessio Milivojevic: A-less-ee-o, MILL-uh-voy-a-vick
 #75 Ben Murawski: mer-ow-ski

#4 Jaziun Patterson: JAZZ-ee-uhn
 #56 Chris Piowarczyk: PEE-o-wah-zick
 #7 Michael Richard: REE-shard
 #31 Jayden Savoury: SAVE-er-EE
 #53 Trey Serauski: sare-ow-skiss
 #1 Kenny Soares Jr.: SOARS

#9 Keahnist Thompson: key-honest
 #27 TJ Umenyiora: you-men-YUR-uh
 #70 Luka Vincic: Veen-cheech
 #22 Jack Yanachik: yeah-nuh-check
 #56 Jack Ziarko: czar-koe

COACHES:

Winston DeLattiboudere III: DEE-lat-TEE-bo-DARE
 Hank Poteat: POE-teet
 Brian Wozniak: Wahz-nee-ack



2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

2026 OFFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

Game	WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	TE/WR	WR	QB	TB
Toledo	F. Moore	Murawski	C. Moore	Fraley	Sharpe	R. Johnson	Parachek	McCray	Bullard	Milivojevic	C. Edwards
Eastern Michigan	F. Moore	Murawski	C. Moore	Fraley	Sharpe	R. Johnson	Parachek	Savoury	Bullard	Milivojevic	C. Edwards
Notre Dame											
Nebraska											
Wisconsin											
Illinois											
Northwestern											
UCLA											
Michigan											
Washington											
Oregon											
Rutgers											

2026 DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

Game	DE	DT	DT	EDGE	LB	LB	NB/LB	CB	S	S	CB
Toledo	I. Smith	Roberts	Coenen	Soares	Hall	Pretzlaff	Richard	Bell	Martinez	Vaught	Brantley
Eastern Michigan	Thompson	Roberts	Coenen	Soares	Crawford	Pretzlaff	Richard	Bell	Martinez	Vaught	Chappell
Notre Dame											
Nebraska											
Wisconsin											
Illinois											
Northwestern											
UCLA											
Michigan											
Washington											
Oregon											
Rutgers											

STARTS CHART (2026 SPARTANS)

► OFFENSE

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	'26	Total
C. Moore-OL	-	<0	<12	<16	12	2	42
Fraley-C	-	#0	#0	+16	+13	2	31
Fancher-QB	^0	^7	^10	#9	*2	-	28
Edwards-RB	-	%0	%5	%7	&11	2	25
Bullard-WR	-	-	~9	~13	1	2	25
McCray-WR	-	±0	±6	±11	6	1	24
Murawski-OT	-	-	*1	*6	*12	2	21
Sharpe-OG	*0	*0	*2	*10	%5	2	19
Gulker-TE	#0	#4	#1	#0	#11	-	16
Gardner-WR	-	-	+8	-	#8	-	16
Parrish-RB	-	-	-	-	<12	-	12
Wright-OT	-	-	%0	%0	%11	-	11
Rios-TE	-	-	0	>7	0	-	7
R. Johnson-OL	-	-	-	1	4	2	7
Milivojevic-QB	-	-	-	0	4	2	6
Young-OL	-	-	-	0	5	-	5
F. Moore-WR	-	-	~0	~3	~0	2	5
Parachek-TE	-	-	0	3	0	2	5
Vincic-OL	-	x0	x0	x2	1	-	3
Patterson-RB	-	=0	=1	=0	=1	-	2
Tullis-RB	-	-	-	0	2	-	2
Savoury-TE	-	-	-	-	0	1	1

Bullard: ~ at Valdosta State (2023-24)
Edwards: % at UConn (2022-25)
Fancher: ^ at Marshall (2021-23); # at FAU (2024); * at UCF (2025)
Fraley: # at Marshall (2022-23); + at North Dakota State (2024-25)
Gardner: + at Kent State (2022-23); # at Jackson State (2024-25)
Gulker: # at Ferris State (2021-25)
McCray: ± at Kent State (2022-24)
C. Moore: < at Montana State (2022-24)
F. Moore: ~ at Michigan (2023-25)
Murawski: * at UConn (2022-25)
Parrish: < at Western Kentucky (2025)
Patterson: = at Iowa (2022-25)
Rios: > at Indiana State (2022-24)
Sharpe: * at Wake Forest (2021-24); % at South Carolina (2025)
Vincic: x at Oregon State (2022-24)
Wright: % at Georgia Southern (2023-25)

Notes:

Gulker: 15 starts (11 at TE at Ferris State in 2025; 4 at QB in 2022 and 1 at QB in 2023 at Ferris State)
C. Moore: 42 starts (25 at LT at Montana State; 3 at LG at Montana State; 9 at RT at Michigan State in 2025; 3 at LT at Michigan State in 2025; 2 at LG in 2026)

► DEFENSE

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	'26	Total
Martinez-S	-	x0	x13	12	4	2	31
Brantley-CB	^1	^11	^3	+9	0	1	25
Vaught-S	-	-	*0	*11	*12	2	25
Richard-S	-	-	%6	%5	%11	2	24
Crawford-LB	-	-	&2	&12	&7	1	22
Smith-EDGE	-	+2	+0	+6	12	1	21
Hall-LB	-	-	6	1	12	1	20
Thompson-EDGE	-	%0	^4	^6	^9	1	20
Soares-LB	-	#0	#5	#3	^8	2	18
Stodghill-LB	-	-	<0	<8	<7	-	15
Bell-CB	-	~0	~4	~1	@8	2	15
Wheatland-LB	-	%1	%0	%11	*0	-	12
Burt-CB	-	#0	#0	#12	0	-	12
Chappell-CB	-	-	-	%0	%10	1	11
Roberts-DT	-	-	0	0	6	2	8
Grose-S	-	-	~4	0	1	-	5
Coenen-DT	-	-	*0	*1	=0	2	3
Pretzlaff-LB	-	-	-	0	0	2	2
Burnett-DL	-	-	-	0	1	-	1

Bell: ~ at Lindenwood (2022-24); @ Iowa State (2025)
Brantley: ^ at Michigan State (2021-24; 2026); + at Miami (2025)
Burt: # at Eastern Illinois (2022-24)
Chappell: % at Houston Christian (2024-25)
Coenen: * at Bemidji State (2023-24); = at Illinois (2025)
Crawford: & at Buffalo (2023-25)
Grose: ~ at Charlotte (2022)
N. Martinez: x at UCF (2022-23)
Richard: % at Louisiana Tech (2023-25)
Smith: + at Texas Tech (2021-24)
Soares: # at Northwestern (2022-24); ^ at NC State (2025)
Stodghill: < at Albany (2023-25)
Thompson: & at UCF (2022); ^ at Weber State (2023-25)
Vaught: * at Maine (2023-25)
Wheatland: % at Maryland (2022-24); * at Auburn (2025)

2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



BY POSITION/OFFENSE

OFFENSIVE LINE (16) - POSITION COACH: NICK TABACCA (FIRST YEAR)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown (Previous School)
65	Cole Bertke	Fr./1	6-5/285	E. Grand Rapids (E. Grand Rapids)
68	Eli Bickel	Fr./1	6-6/312	N. Branch, MI (North Branch)
61	Collin Campbell	Fr./1	6-6/295	Gilbert, AZ (Williams Field)
79	Tristan Comer	Fr./1	6-6/280	Freeland, MI (Freeland)
77	Andrew Dennis	R-So./3	6-4/302	Mt. Pleasant, MI (Illinois)
63	Trent Fraley	Gr./5	6-1/306	Moon Twp., PA (North Dakota State)
54	Antonio Johnson	R-Fr./2	6-5/287	Detroit, MI (Orchard Lake St. Mary's)
55	Rakeem Johnson	R-So./3	6-4/296	Boise, ID (Bishop Kelly)
58	Conner Moore	R-Sr./5	6-6/311	Millbury, OH (Montana State)
75	Ben Murawski	Gr./5	6-7/340	Harleysville, PA (UConn)
76	Drew Nichols	R-Fr./2	6-4/298	Murrieta, CA (Murrieta Valley)
52	Nick Sharpe	Gr./6	6-2/351	Gastonia, NC (South Carolina)
70	Luka Vincic	R-Sr./5	6-5/306	Bothell, WA (Oregon State)
71	Robert Wright Jr.	R-Jr./4	6-5/294	Atlanta, GA (Georgia Southern)
73	Rustin Young	R-So./3	6-4/308	Honolulu, HI (St. Louis)
56	Jack Ziarko	Fr./1	6-2/286	North Canton, OH (Hoover)

QUARTERBACKS (5) - POSITION COACH: JOHN McNULTY (FIRST YEAR)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown (Previous School)
23	Peyton Babbitt	Fr./1	6-0/200	Muskegon, MI (Orchard View)
10	Kayd Coffman	Fr./1	6-2/206	Kentwood, MI (East Kentwood)
2	Cam Fancher	Gr./6	6-0/207	Dayton, OH (UCF)
15	Leo Hannan	R-Fr./2	6-3/221	Long Beach, CA (Servite)
11	Alessio Miliivojevic	R-So./3	6-3/223	Wheaton, IL (St. Francis)

RUNNING BACKS (10) - POSITION COACH: DEVON SPALDING (FIRST YEAR)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown (Previous School)
25	Jace Clarizio	R-Fr./2	5-10/213	East Lansing, MI (East Lansing)
0	Cam Edwards	Gr./5	5-11/206	Norwalk, CT (UConn)
20	Zion Gist	R-Fr./2	5-11/209	Frankfort, IL (Lincoln-Way East)
27	Darrin Jones Jr.	R-Fr./2	5-11/206	Lake Orion, MI (Orchard Lake St. Mary's)
33	Jaxon McCaig	R-So./3	6-1/236	Plymouth, MI (Plymouth)
21	Marvis Parrish	So./2	5-11/209	Ft. Lauderdale, FL (Western Kentucky)
4	Jaziun Patterson	Gr./5	5-10/214	Pompano Beach, FL (Iowa)
7	Brandon Tullis	Jr./3	6-1/224	Dallas, TX (Memorial)
26	Cedric Williams Jr.	Fr./1	5-9/201	Canton, MI (Detroit Catholic Central)
32	Kenneth Williams	R-Jr./4	5-9/191	Detroit, MI (Nebraska)

TIGHT ENDS (9) - POSITION COACH: BRIAN WOZNAK (THIRD YEAR)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown (Previous School)
48	Charlie Baker	R-So./3	6-4/252	East Lansing, MI (East Lansing)
87	Joe Caudill	Fr./1	6-4/232	Lexington, OH (Lexington)
44	Jay Coyne	Gr./5	6-1/231	New York, NY (IMG Academy)
12	Carson Gulker	Gr./6	6-3/245	Zeeland, MI (Ferris State)
86	Ethan Melville	Fr./1	6-4/213	Holt, MI (Holt)
82	Brennan Parachek	Gr./4	6-5/249	Dexter, MI (Dexter)
88	Kai Rios	R-Sr./5	6-6/262	Rock Island, IL (Indiana State)
31	Jayden Savoury	R-Fr./2	6-5/253	Canton, MI (Orchard Lake St. Mary's)
84	Eddie Whiting	Fr./1	6-6/254	Sioux Falls, SD (Thomas Jefferson)

WIDE RECEIVERS (14) - POSITION COACH: COURTNEY HAWKINS (SEVENTH YEAR)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown (Previous School)
3	Rodney Bullard Jr.	Gr./5	5-11/188	Albany, GA (Valdosta State)
81	Colin Charles	Fr./1	6-0/202	Northville, MI (St. Thomas More)
37	Darelle Cochran	Fr./1	6-2/175	Redford, MI (Ferndale)
17	Braylon Collier	R-Fr./2	6-0/187	Sandusky, OH (Perkins)
18	Jameel Gardner Jr.	Gr./5	6-0/193	Detroit, MI (Jackson State)
5	Samson Gash	Fr./1	6-0/185	South Lyon, MI (Detroit Catholic Central)
89	Nick Hardy	R-Fr./2	6-1/194	Birmingham, MI (Groves)
13	Chrishon McCray	R-Sr./5	5-10/180	Avon, IN (Kent State)
6	Fredrick Moore	R-Jr./4	6-1/187	St. Louis, MO (Michigan)
8	KK Smith	R-Jr./4	6-0/180	Frisco, TX (Notre Dame)
19	Charles Taplin	R-Fr./2	6-1/184	Red Oak, TX (Red Oak)
16	Zach Washington	Fr./1	6-2/188	Naperville, IL (St. Francis)
14	Bryson Williams	R-Fr./2	6-2/225	Canton, MI (Orchard Lake St. Mary's)
22	Jack Yanachik	R-Jr./4	6-2/205	Rochester Hills, MI (De La Salle)

BY POSITION/DEFENSE

DEFENSIVE LINE (8) - POSITION COACH: WINSTON DELATTIBOUDERE III (FIRST YEAR)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown (Previous School)
57	Hudson Aultman	Fr./1	6-4/312	Delaware, OH (Olentangy Berlin)
52	Mikeshun Beeler	R-So./3	6-2/290	Chicago, IL (Simeon)
96	Eli Coenen	R-Jr./4	6-6/287	Baldwin, WI (Illinois)
25	Carlos Hazelwood	R-So./3	6-4/290	Chicago, IL (Toledo)
91	Jackson Pahl	Fr./1	6-2/282	Howell, MI (Howell)
55	Ben Roberts	R-Sr./5	6-3/325	Lakewood, WA (Oregon)
98	Derrick Simmons	R-Fr./2	6-3/305	Frankenmuth, MI (Frankenmuth)
97	Cal Thrush	R-Fr./2	6-5/263	Upper Arlington, OH (Upper Arlington)

EDGE (11) - POSITION COACH: ANDREW BINDELGLASS (THIRD YEAR OVERALL AT MSU)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown (Previous School)
6	Leonard Ah You	R-Fr./2	6-3/250	Laie, HI (Kahuku)
94	Aidan Boehle	R-Jr./4	6-6/253	Minnetonka, MN (Winona State)
51	Kekai Burnett	R-So./3	6-3/262	Honolulu, HI (Punahou)
33	Cory House Jr.	Fr./1	6-3/230	Memphis, TN (Whitehaven)
11	Anelu Lafaele	R-So./3	6-2/240	Kalihi, HI (Wisconsin)
8	Trey Lisle	R-So./3	6-6/254	Fayetteville, AR (SE Missouri State)
56	Chris Piwowarczyk	R-So./3	6-0/250	Fenton, MI (Fenton)
13	Isaac Smith	Gr./6	6-6/260	Wagoner, OK (Texas Tech)
1	Kenny Soares Jr.	Gr./5	6-2/234	Trumbull, CT (NC State)
9	Keahnist Thompson	R-Sr./5	6-3/266	Lakeland, FL (Weber State)
47	Jaxson Wilson	R-Jr./4	6-5/258	Howell, MI (Hartland)

LINEBACKERS (9) - POSITION COACH: MAX BULLOUGH (FIRST YEAR)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown (Previous School)
18	Dion Crawford	Sr./4	6-1/243	Atlanta, GA (Buffalo)
5	Jordan Hall	Sr./4	6-3/249	Fredericksburg, VA (IMG Academy)
39	Jack Lansing III	Fr./1	6-0/213	Brighton, MI (Hartland)
10	DiMari Malone	R-Fr./2	6-1/238	Macomb Twp., MI (Dakota)
45	Brady Pretzlaff	R-So./3	6-3/238	Gaylord, MI (Gaylord)
16	Adam Shaw	Fr./1	6-3/223	River Vale, NJ (Pascack Valley)
12	Cam Stodghill	Sr./4	6-3/222	Charlotte, NC (Albany)
44	Caleb Wheatland	Gr./5	6-1/244	Centerville, VA (Auburn)
23	DeJae White	R-Fr./2	6-3/225	Pontiac, MI (Orchard Lake St. Mary's)

CORNERBACKS (10) - POSITION COACH: HANK POTEAT (FIRST YEAR)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown (Previous School)
3	Tre Bell	Gr./5	6-1/200	St. Louis, MO (Iowa State)
4	Charles Brantley	Gr./6	6-0/170	Sarasota, FL (Miami)
14	Andrew Brinson IV	R-So./3	6-1/186	Tampa, FL (Gaither)
0	Nijhay Burt	R-Sr./5	5-11/188	Homestead, PA (Eastern Illinois)
22	Tyran Chappell	R-So./3	6-3/189	Dallas, TX (Houston Christian)
29	KJ Deriso	Fr./1	6-0/160	Atlanta, GA (Whitewater)
24	Jeremiah Favorite	Fr./1	5-11/172	Myrtle Beach, SC (Boiling Springs)
42	Luca Genrich	Fr./1	5-10/187	Farmington, MI (Detroit Catholic Central)
27	Truth Umenyiora	Fr./1	6-1/194	Atlanta, GA (Trinity Catholic)
20	Keshawn Williams	R-So./3	6-0/187	Murfreesboro, TN (Riverdale)

SAFETIES (12) - POSITION COACH: JAMES ADAMS (SECOND YEAR)

No.	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown (Previous School)
35	Elijah Caldwell	Fr./1	6-0/188	Jacksonville, FL (Impact Christian Academy)
31	Deuce Edwards	R-Fr./2	6-0/202	Richmond, VA (Trinity Episcopal School)
15	Caleb Gash	R-Jr./4	6-0/193	South Lyon, MI (South Lyon East)
17	Jonathan Granby	Fr./1	5-10/200	Alpharetta, GA (Fellowship Christian School)
30	Aveon Grose	R-Sr./5	5-11/187	Mansfield, OH (Southern Illinois)
34	Khalil Majeed	Gr./6	5-11/201	Moorestown, NJ (Suffield Academy)
21	Nikai Martinez	Gr./5	5-11/196	Apopka, FL (UCF)
26	Trevaughn Martinez	R-Jr./4	5-9/175	Ft. Lauderdale, FL (Western Carolina)
7	Michael Richard	Sr./4	5-10/179	New Orleans, LA (Louisiana Tech)
28	Brayden Thomas	Fr./1	6-0/177	Cleveland, OH (St. Edward)
2	Devin Vaught	R-Jr./4	6-0/212	Charlotte, NC (Maine)
32	Evan Young	R-Fr./2	6-0/196	Lufkin, TX (Lufkin)

BY POSITION/SPECIAL TEAMS

SPECIALISTS (6) - POSITION COACH: LEVAR WOODS (FIRST YEAR)

No.	Name (Pos.)	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown (Previous School)
37	Liam Boyd (K)	Gr./5	6-1/200	Asheville, NC (Charlotte)
9	Rhys Dakin (P)	Jr./3	6-4/235	Melbourne, AU (Iowa)
50	Nick Duzansky (LS)	R-Jr./4	6-5/197	Glen Ellyn, IL (Oregon)
85	Stephen Gonzales (K)	Fr./1	5-10/182	Monroe, NC (Union Academy)
53	Trey Serauskis (LS)	Fr./1	5-10/205	Frankfort, IL (Lincoln-Way East)
49	Alex Weeks (P)	R-Fr./2	6-4/191	Desert Mtn., AZ (Northern Arizona)



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2026 ROSTER BREAKDOWN: BY CLASS

SIXTH-YEAR PLAYERS (6)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
4	Charles Brantley +	CB	6-0/170	Sarasota, FL
2	Cam Fancher +	QB	6-0/207	Dayton, OH
12	Carson Gulker +	TE	6-3/245	Zeeland, MI
34	Khalil Majeed +	S	5-11/201	Moorestown, NJ
52	Nick Sharpe +	OL	6-2/351	Gastonia, NC
13	Isaac Smith +	EDGE	6-6/260	Wagoner, OK

FIFTH-YEAR PLAYERS (20)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
3	Tre Bell +	CB	6-1/200	St. Louis, MO
37	Liam Boyd +	PK	6-1/200	Asheville, NC
3	Rodney Bullard Jr. +	WR	5-11/188	Albany, GA
0	NiJhay Burt	CB	5-11/188	Homestead, PA
44	Jay Coyne +	TE	6-1/231	New York, NY
0	Cam Edwards +	RB	5-11/206	Norwalk, CT
63	Trent Fraley +	C	6-1/306	Moon Twp., PA
18	Jameel Gardner Jr. +	WR	6-0/193	Detroit, MI
30	Aveon Grose	S	5-11/187	Mansfield, OH
21	Nikai Martinez +	S	5-11/196	Apopka, FL
13	Chrishon McCray	WR	5-10/180	Avon, IN
58	Conner Moore	OL	6-6/311	Millbury, OH
75	Ben Murawski +	OL	6-7/340	Harleysville, PA
4	Jaziun Patterson +	RB	5-10/214	Pompano Beach, FL
88	Kai Rios	TE	6-6/262	Rock Island, IL
55	Ben Roberts	DL	6-3/325	Lakewood, WA
1	Kenny Soares Jr. +	EDGE	6-2/234	Trumbull, CT
9	Keahnist Thompson	EDGE	6-3/266	Lakeland, FL
70	Luka Vincic	OL	6-5/306	Bothell, WA
44	Caleb Wheatland +	OL	6-1/244	Centreville, VA

FOURTH-YEAR PLAYERS (17)

FOURTH-YEAR PLAYERS - SENIORS (4)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
18	Dion Crawford	LB	6-1/243	Atlanta, GA
5	Jordan Hall	LB	6-3/249	Fredericksburg, VA
7	Michael Richard	DB	5-10/179	New Orleans, LA
12	Cam Stodghill	LB	6-3/215	Charlotte, NC

FOURTH-YEAR PLAYERS - REDSHIRT JUNIORS (13)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
94	Aidan Boehle	EDGE	6-4/253	Minnetonka, MN
96	Eli Coenen	DL	6-6/287	Baldwin, WI
50	Nick Duzansky	LS	6-5/197	Glen Ellyn, IL
15	Caleb Gash	S	6-0/193	South Lyon, MI
26	Trevaughn Martinez S		5-9/175	Ft. Lauderdale, FL
6	Fredrick Moore	WR	6-1/187	St. Louis, MO
82	Brennan Parachek+ TE		6-5/249	Dexter, MI
8	KK Smith	WR	6-0/180	Frisco, TX
2	Devin Vaught	DB	6-0/212	Charlotte, NC
32	Kenneth Williams	RB	5-9/191	Detroit, MI
47	Jaxson Wilson	EDGE	6-5/258	Howell, MI
71	Robert Wright Jr.	OL	6-5/294	Atlanta, GA
22	Jack Yanachik	WR	6-2/205	Rochester Hills, MI

THIRD-YEAR PLAYERS (18)

THIRD-YEAR PLAYERS - JUNIORS (2)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
9	Rhys Dakin	P	6-4/235	Melbourne, AU
7	Brandon Tullis	RB	6-1/224	Dallas, TX

THIRD-YEAR PLAYERS - REDSHIRT SOPHOMORES (16)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
48	Charlie Baker	TE	6-4/252	East Lansing, MI
52	Mikeshun Beeler	DL	6-2/290	Chicago, IL
14	Andrew Brinson IV	CB	6-1/186	Tampa, FL
51	Kekai Burnett	EDGE	6-3/262	Honolulu, HI
22	Tyran Chappell	DB	6-3/189	Dallas, TX
77	Andrew Dennis	OL	6-4/302	Mt. Pleasant, MI
25	Carlos Hazelwood	DL	6-4/290	Chicago, IL
55	Rakeem Johnson	OL	6-4/296	Boise, ID
11	Anelu Lafaele	EDGE	6-2/240	Kalihi, HI
8	Trey Lisle	EDGE	6-6/254	Fayetteville, AR
33	Jaxon McCaig	RB	6-1/236	Plymouth, MI
11	Alessio Milivojevic	QB	6-3/223	Wheaton, IL
56	Chris Piwowarczyk	EDGE	6-0/250	Fenton, MI
45	Brady Pretzlaff	LB	6-3/238	Gaylord, MI
20	Keshawn Williams	CB	6-0/187	Murfreesboro, TN
73	Rustin Young	OL	6-4/308	Honolulu, HI

SECOND-YEAR PLAYERS (20)

SECOND-YEAR PLAYERS - SOPHOMORES (1)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
21	Marvis Parrish	RB	5-11/209	Ft. Lauderdale, FL

SECOND-YEAR PLAYERS - REDSHIRT FRESHMEN (19)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
6	Leonard Ah You	EDGE	6-3/250	Laie, HI
25	Jace Clarizio	RB	5-10/213	East Lansing, MI
17	Braylon Collier	WR	6-0/187	Sandusky, OH
31	Deuce Edwards	S	6-0/202	Richmond, VA
20	Zion Gist	RB	5-11/209	Frankfort, IL
15	Leo Hannan	QB	6-3/221	Long Beach, CA
89	Nick Hardy	WR	6-1/194	Birmingham, MI
54	Antonio Johnson	OL	6-5/287	Detroit, MI
27	Darrin Jones Jr.	RB	5-11/206	Lake Orion, MI
10	DiMari Malone	LB	6-1/238	Macomb Twp., MI
76	Drew Nichols	OL	6-4/298	Murrieta, CA
31	Jayden Savoury	TE	6-5/253	Canton, MI
98	Derrick Simmons	DL	6-3/305	Frankenmuth, MI
19	Charles Taplin	WR	6-1/184	Red Oak, TX
97	Cal Thrush	DL	6-5/263	Upper Arlington, OH
49	Alex Weeks	P	6-4/191	Desert Mtn., AZ
23	DeJae White	LB	6-3/225	Pontiac, MI
14	Bryson Williams	WR	6-2/225	Canton, MI
32	Evan Young	S	6-0/196	Lufkin, TX

FIRST-YEAR PLAYERS - FRESHMEN (29)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht./Wt.	Hometown
57	Hudson Aultman	DL	6-4/312	Delaware, OH
23	Peyton Babbitt	QB	6-0/200	Muskegon, MI
65	Cole Bertke	OL	6-5/285	E. Grand Rapids, MI
68	Eli Bickel	OL	6-6/312	N. Branch, MI
35	Elijah Caldwell	S	6-0/188	Jacksonville, FL
61	Collin Campbell	OL	6-6/295	Gilbert, AZ
87	Joe Caudill	TE	6-4/232	Lexington, OH
81	Colin Charles	WR	6-0/202	Northville, MI
37	Darelle Cochran	WR	6-2/175	Redford, MI
10	Kayd Coffman	QB	6-2/206	Kentwood, MI
79	Tristan Comer	OL	6-5/305	Freeland, MI
29	KJ Deriso	CB	6-0/160	Atlanta, GA
24	Jeremiah Favorite	CB	5-11/172	Myrtle Beach, SC
5	Samson Gash	WR	6-0/185	South Lyon, MI
42	Luca Genrich	CB	5-11/187	Farmington, MI
85	Stephen Gonzales	PK	5-10/182	Monroe, NC
17	Jonathan Granby	S	5-10/200	Alpharetta, GA
33	Cory House Jr.	EDGE	6-3/230	Memphis, TN
39	Jack Lansing III	LB	6-0/213	Brighton, MI
86	Ethan Melville	TE	6-4/213	Holt, MI
91	Jackson Pahl	DL	6-2/282	Howell, MI
53	Trey Serauskis	LS	6-0/205	Frankfort, IL
16	Adam Shaw	LB	6-3/223	River Vale, NJ
28	Brayden Thomas	S	6-0/177	Cleveland, OH
27	Truth Umenyiora	CB	6-1/194	Atlanta, GA
16	Zach Washington	WR	6-2/188	Naperville, IL
84	Eddie Whiting	TE	6-6/254	Sioux Falls, SD
26	Cedric Williams Jr.	RB	5-9/201	Canton, MI
56	Jack Ziarko	OL	6-2/286	North Canton, OH

BREAKDOWN:

Total: 110

Newcomers: 61

Transfers: 32

Freshman: 29

Returning Players: 49

Graduates: 19 (denoted by +)

Total Transfers (all years): 44 (4 from 2024, 8 from 2025, 32 from 2026)

BY STATE (27 STATES)

ARIZONA (2): OL Collin Campbell, K Alex Weeks

ARKANSAS (1): EDGE Trey Lisle

CALIFORNIA (2): QB Leo Hannan, OL Drew Nichols

CONNECTICUT (2): RB Cam Edwards, EDGE Kenny Soares Jr.

FLORIDA (8): CB Charles Brantley, CB Andrew Brinson IV, S Elijah Caldwell-Hardy, S Nikai Martinez, S Trevaughn Martinez, RB Marvis Parrish, RB Jaziun Patterson, EDGE Keahnist Thompson

GEORGIA (6): WR Rodney Bullard Jr., LB Dion Crawford, CB KJ Deriso, S Jonathan Granby, CB Truth Umenyiora, OL Anthony Wright Jr.

HAWAII (4): EDGE Leonard Ah You, EDGE Kekai Burnett, EDGE Anelu Lafaele, OL Rustin Young

IDAHO (1): OL Rakeem Johnson

ILLINOIS (8): DL Mikeshun Beeler, LS Nick Duzansky, RB Zion Gist, DL Carlos Hazelwood, QB Alessio Milivojevic, TE Kai Rios, LS Trey Serauskis, WR Zach Washington

INDIANA (1): WR Chrishon McCray

LOUISIANA (1): S Michael Richard

MICHIGAN (34): QB Peyton Babbitt, TE Charlie Baker, OL Cole Bertke, OL Eli Bickel, WR Colin Charles, RB Jace Clarizio, WR Darelle Cochran, QB Kayd Coffman, OL Tristan Comer, OL Andrew Dennis, WR Jameel Gardner Jr., S Caleb Gash, WR Samson Gash, CB Luca Genrich, TE Carson Gulker, WR Nick Hardy, OL Antonio Johnson, RB Darrin Jones Jr., LB Jack Lansing III, LB DiMari Malone, RB Jaxon McCaig, TE Ethan Melville, DL Jackson Pahl, TE Brennan Parachek, DL Chris Piwowarczyk, LB Brady Pretzlaff, TE Jayden Savoury, DL Derrick Simmons, LB DeJae White, WR Bryson Williams, RB Cedric Williams Jr., RB Kenneth Williams, EDGE Jaxon Wilson, WR Jack Yanachik

MINNESOTA (1): EDGE Aidan Boehle

MISSOURI (2): CB Tre Bell, WR Fredrick Moore

NEW JERSEY (2): S Khalil Majeed, LB Adam Shaw

NEW YORK (2): TE Jay Coyne, LB Cam Stodghill

NORTH CAROLINA (4): PK Liam Boyd, PK Stephen Gonzales, OL Nick Sharpe, S Devin Vaught

OHIO (9): DL Hudson Aultman, TE Joe Caudill, WR Braylon Collier, QB Cam Fancher, S Aveon Grose, OL Conner Moore, S Brayden Thomas, DL Cal Thrush, OL Jack Ziarko

OKLAHOMA (1): EDGE Isaac Smith

PENNSYLVANIA (3): CB NiJhay Burt, OL Trent Fraley, OL Ben Murawski

SOUTH CAROLINA (1): CB Jeremiah Favorite

SOUTH DAKOTA (1): TE Eddie Whiting

TENNESSEE (2): EDGE Cory House Jr., CB Keshawn Williams

TEXAS (5): CB Tyran Chappell, WR KK Smith, WR Charles Taplin, RB Brandon Tullis, S Evan Young

VIRGINIA (3): S Deuce Edwards, LB Jordan Hall, LB Caleb Wheatland

WASHINGTON (2): DL Ben Roberts, OL Luka Vincic

WISCONSIN (1): DL Eli Coenen

INTERNATIONAL (1)

Australia (1): P Rhys Dakin

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ROSTER - YEAR-BY-YEAR BREAKDOWN (110 PLAYERS)

2021 (1)

Joined as freshmen (1)

S Khalil Majeed

Transfers (0)

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2022 (1)

Joined as freshmen (1)

TE Jay Coyne

Transfers (0)

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2023 (5)

Joined as freshmen (5)

S Caleb Gash, LB Jordan Hall, TE Brennan Parachek, EDGE Jaxson Wilson, WR Jack Yanachik

Transfers (0)

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2024 (16)

Joined as freshmen (12)

TE Charlie Baker, CB Andrew Brinson IV, DL Mikesun Beeler, EDGE Kekai Burnett, OL Rakeem Johnson, RB Jaxon McCaig, QB Alessio Milivojevic, DL Chris Piwowarczyk, LB Brady Pretzlaff, RB Brandon Tullis, CB Keshawn Williams, OL Rustin Young

Transfers (4)

OL Andrew Dennis (Illinois), S Aveon Grose (Southern Illinois/Charlotte), S Nikai Martinez (UCF), DL Ben Roberts (Oregon)

2025 (26)

Joined as freshmen (18)

EDGE Leonard Ah You, RB Jace Clarizio, WR Braylon Collier, S Deuce Edwards, RB Zion Gist, QB Leo Hannan, WR Nick Hardy, OL Antonio Johnson, RB Darrin Jones Jr., LB DiMari Malone, OL Drew Nichols, TE Jayden Savoury, DL Derrick Simmons, WR Charles Taplin, DL Cal Thrush, LB DeJae White, RB Bryson Williams, S Evan Young

Transfers (8)

WR Rodney Bullard Jr. (Valdosta State), CB Nijhay Burt (Eastern Illinois), EDGE Anelu Lafaele (Wisconsin), WR Chrishon McCray (Kent State), OL Conner Moore (Montana State), TE Kai Rios (Indiana State), EDGE Isaac Smith (Texas Tech), OL Luka Vincic (Oregon State)

2026 (61)

Joined as freshmen (29)

DL Hudson Aultman, QB Peyton Babbitt, OL Cole Bertke, OL Eli Bickel, S Elijah Caldwell, OL Collin Campbell, TE Joe Caudill, WR Colin Charles, WR Darelle Cochran, QB Kayd Coffman, OL Tristan Comer, CB KJ Deriso, CB Jeremiah Favorite, WR Samson Gash, CB Luca Genrich, PK Stephen Gonzales, S Jonathan Granby, EDGE Cory House Jr., LB Jack Lansing III, TE Ethan Melville, DL Jackson Pahl, LB Trey Serauskis, LB Adam Shaw, S Brayden Thomas, CB TJ Umenyiora, WR Zach Washington, TE Eddie Whiting, RB Cedric Williams Jr., OL Jack Ziarko

Transfers (32)

CB Tre Bell (Iowa State), EDGE Aidan Boehle (Winona State), K Liam Boyd (North Carolina/Charlotte), CB Charles Brantley (Miami), CB Tyran Chappell (Houston Christian), DL Eli Coenen (Bemidji State/Illinois), LB Dion Crawford (Buffalo), P Rhys Dakin (Iowa), LS Nick Duzansky (Oregon), RB Cam Edwards (UConn), QB Cam Fancher (Marshall/FAU/UCF), OL Trent Fraley (Marshall/North Dakota State), WR Jameel Gardner (Jackson State), TE Carson Gulker (Ferris State), DL Carlos Hazelwood (Toledo), EDGE Trey Lisle (Southeast Missouri State), S Trevaughn Martinez (Western Carolina), WR Fredrick Moore (Michigan), OL Ben Murawski (UConn), RB Marvis Parrish (Western Kentucky), S Michael Richard (Louisiana Tech), OL Nick Sharpe (Wake Forest/South Carolina), WR KK Smith (Notre Dame), EDGE Kenny Soares Jr. (Northwestern/NC State), LB Cam Stodghill (Albany), EDGE Keahnist Thompson (Weber State), S Devin Vaught (Maine), K Alex Weeks (Northern Arizona), RB Kenneth Williams (Nebraska), LB Caleb Wheatland (Maryland/Auburn), OL Robert Wright Jr. (Georgia Southern)



HEAD COACH PAT FITZGERALD



One of the winningest football coaches in Big Ten history, Pat Fitzgerald was named head football coach at Michigan State University on Dec. 1, 2025.

Over 17 seasons as the head coach at Northwestern University, Fitzgerald won 110 games, while guiding the Wildcats to 10 bowl games, five AP Top 25 finishes and a pair of appearances in the Big Ten Football Championship Game after winning the Big Ten West Division title in both 2018 and 2020. He was named the 2018 Big Ten Coach of the Year, and in 2020, won the Dodd Trophy Coach of the Year Award after leading the Wildcats to a No. 10 national ranking and a win in the Citrus Bowl over Auburn. Fitzgerald has coached more than 50 All-Big Ten selections, including 21 first-teamers; 11 All-Americans, including four first-team honorees; and 22 NFL Draft picks.

His 112 wins rank 12th all-time for a Big Ten football coach, while his five bowl game victories rank tied for 12th among conference coaches.

"Pat Fitzgerald is a proven leader who understands the full mission of inter-collegiate athletics — competitive excellence, academic achievement, and the holistic development of student-athletes," said MSU President Kevin M. Guskiewicz, Ph.D. "His track record of building disciplined, resilient teams and his commitment to coaching with integrity make him an exceptional fit for Michigan State University. I'm confident that under his leadership, Spartan Football will thrive on and off the field."

"I am honored to be named the head football coach at Michigan State University," said Fitzgerald. "This is a program with a deep and storied tradition, a passionate fan base, and a commitment to excellence that extends far beyond the football field. What excited me most about this opportunity was the vision for what Michigan State can be for years to come. We will restore tradition, and I'm eager to earn the trust of our players, alumni, and fans while competing at the highest level."

During Fitzgerald's tenure at Northwestern (2006-22) his teams also excelled in the classroom, earning seven American Football Coaches Association (AFCA)



Academic Achievement Awards, the most of any team in the FBS during that time span. In 2019, the Wildcats became the first Power 5 team to post a perfect 100 percent Graduation Success Rate (GSR).

Fitzgerald was named to the AFCA Board of Trustees for the second time in his career in 2026. While he was at Northwestern, Fitzgerald served on the AFCA board from 2012-21; he was the president of the association in 2021.

Fitzgerald is not only the winningest coach in Northwestern football history, he also was the leader of a stout Wildcat defense that won back-to-back Big Ten Championships in 1995 and 1996. He was named Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year twice and he became the first player ever to win both the Bronko Nagurski Trophy and Chuck Bednarik Award two times, a feat he accomplished his junior and senior seasons. Fitzgerald also won the 1996 Jack Lambert Trophy, awarded to the top linebacker in college football, and was named NU's recipient of the Big Ten Medal of Honor in 1997, recognizing him for athletic and academic excellence. The only two-time consensus All-American in Wildcat history, Fitzgerald was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame in 2008 as player; he is also a member of the Northwestern Athletics Hall of Fame.

Fitzgerald began his coaching career as a defensive graduate assistant at Maryland (1998) and Colorado (1999) before getting his first full-time position as a linebackers and special teams coach at Idaho in 2000.

He returned to Northwestern under Randy Walker as a defensive backs coach in 2001 and coached the linebackers from 2002-05 while adding recruiting coordinator duties in 2004-05. Named one of college football's top recruiters by SI.com in 2005, Fitzgerald mentored two-time All-Big Ten linebacker and former St. Louis Ram Tim McGarigle, the second all-time leading tackler in NCAA history (545).

Fitzgerald was named Northwestern's 29th head coach on July 7, 2006, following the tragic death of Walker on June 29, 2006. At the age of 31, Fitzgerald became the youngest head coach in the FBS at the time of his hiring.

Fitzgerald's program took off in his third season, going 9-4 and earning the first of five consecutive bowl bids from 2008-2012 with a trip to the Alamo Bowl. For leading Northwestern to nine wins for the first time since 1996 – when he was a player – Fitzgerald was named the 2008 Big Ten Coach of the Year

by the Touchdown Club of Columbus, a semifinalist for the George Munger Coach of the Year Award and a finalist for the Liberty Mutual Coach of the Year Award.

In 2009, the Wildcats finished undefeated in November, including ranked wins over No. 8 Iowa and No. 17 Wisconsin, propelling them to an 8-4 regular season mark and a New Year's Day bowl game against Auburn in the Outback Bowl.

Fitzgerald recorded his first 10-win season in 2012 as the Wildcats finished ranked No. 17 in the AP Poll following a win over Mississippi State in the Gator Bowl. The win marked the 50th of Fitzgerald's career, making him the winningest head coach in Northwestern football history.

Northwestern won 10 games again in 2015 and went 6-2 in the Big Ten to earn a bid to play in the Outback Bowl on New Year's Day while finishing No. 23 in the AP Poll. The Wildcats posted two wins over ranked teams (No. 21 Stanford, No. 21 Wisconsin) and closed the regular season on a five-game winning streak.

Fitzgerald won his last four bowl games as head coach of the Wildcats with victories in the Pinstripe Bowl (2016 vs. No. 22 Pitt), Music City Bowl (2017 vs. Kentucky), Holiday Bowl (2018 vs. No. 20 Utah) and Citrus Bowl (2021 vs. Auburn). The Wildcats also closed out the season ranked in the AP Top 25 in 2017 (No. 17), 2018 (No. 21) and 2020 (No. 10) following their bowl wins.

The win over Kentucky in the 2017 Music City Bowl capped off an eight-game winning streak for the Wildcats, who finished the 2017 season with 10 wins for the fifth time in program history and third time over the last six seasons. Northwestern averaged nine victories over the 2016-18 seasons (27-12), setting a program record for wins during a three-year span. The previous high was 26 wins from 1903-05.

In 2018, Northwestern mounted a dramatic 31-20 come-from-behind victory over No. 20 Utah in the Holiday Bowl by scoring a bowl-record 28 points in the third quarter, erasing a 17-point halftime deficit, to claim its third straight bowl win for the first time in program history. Fitzgerald was named the 2018





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FITZGERALD'S CAREER RECORD: HEAD COACH

Year	School	Overall			Conference			Conference Finish	Bowl	Rank*
		W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.			
2006	Northwestern	4	8	.333	2	6	.250	T-8th (Big Ten)	-	-
2007	Northwestern	6	6	.500	3	5	.375	T-7th (Big Ten)	-	-
2008	Northwestern	9	4	.692	5	3	.625	T-4th (Big Ten)	Alamo (L)	-
2009	Northwestern	8	5	.615	5	3	.625	T-4th (Big Ten)	Outback (L)	-
2010	Northwestern	7	6	.538	3	5	.375	T-6th (Big Ten)	Ticket City (L)	-
2011	Northwestern	6	7	.462	3	5	.375	5th (Big Ten Legends)	Texas (L)	-
2012	Northwestern	10	3	.769	5	3	.625	3rd (Big Ten Legends)	Gator (W)	17/16
2013	Northwestern	5	7	.417	1	7	.125	6th (Big Ten Legends)	-	-
2014	Northwestern	5	7	.417	3	5	.375	T-6th (Big Ten West)	-	-
2015	Northwestern	10	3	.769	6	2	.750	T-2nd (Big Ten West)	Outback (L)	23/22
2016	Northwestern	7	6	.538	5	4	.556	T-4th (Big Ten West)	Pinstripes (W)	-
2017	Northwestern	10	3	.769	7	2	.778	2nd (Big Ten West)	Music City (W)	17/17
2018	Northwestern	9	5	.643	8	1	.889	1st (Big Ten West)	Holiday (W)	21/19
2019	Northwestern	3	9	.250	1	8	.111	7th (Big Ten West)	-	-
2020	Northwestern	7	2	.778	6	1	.857	1st (Big Ten West)	Citrus (W)	10/10
2021	Northwestern	3	9	.250	1	8	.111	T-6th (Big Ten West)	-	-
2022	Northwestern	1	11	.083	1	8	.111	7th (Big Ten West)	-	-
2026	Michigan State	2	0	1.000	0	0	.000			
Totals		112	101	.526	65	76	.461	-	-	-

ALL-BIG TEN SELECTIONS UNDER FITZGERALD

► **ALL-BIG TEN:** Fitzgerald has coached more than 50 All-Big Ten selections, including 21 first-team honorees.

2008 (1): DE Corey Wootton (1st, coaches; 2nd, media)

2009 (5): CB Sherrick McManis (1st, media; 2nd, coaches), S Brad Phillips (1st, coaches; 2nd, media), QB Mike Kafka (2nd, coaches and media), K Stefan Demos (2nd, coaches and media), WR Zeke Markshausen (2nd, media)

2010 (4): QB Dan Persa (1st, coaches; 2nd, media), WR Jeremy Ebert (1st, media), DL Vince Browne (2nd, media); DB Brian Peters (2nd, media)

2011 (3): TE Drake Dunsmore (1st, coaches and media), S Brian Peters (1st, media), WR Jeremy Ebert (2nd, media)

2012 (1): K Jeff Budzein (1st, coaches; 2nd, media), RB Venric Mark (2nd, coaches), OG Brian Mulroe (2nd, media)

2013 (2): K Jeff Budzein (1st, coaches and media); DL Tyler Scott (2nd, media)

2014 (2): DB Ibraheim Campbell (2nd, coaches), DB Nick VanHoose (2nd, media)

2015 (7): LB Anthony Walker (1st, coaches and media), RB Justin Jackson (2nd, coaches and media), TE Dan Vitale (2nd, coaches and media), DL Dan Lowry (2nd, coaches and media), DB Nick VanHoose (3rd, coaches and media), DL Deonte Gibson (3rd, media), RET Solomon Vault (3rd, media)

2016 (6): WR Austin Carr (1st, coaches and media), RB Justin Jackson (1st, media; 2nd, coaches), DL Ifeadi Odenigbo (1st, media; 2nd, coaches), LB Anthony Walker (2nd, coaches; 3rd, media), DB Godwin Igwebuike (2nd, coaches; 3rd, media), RET Solomon Vault (3rd, media)

2017 (7): RB Justin Jackson (2nd, coaches and media), DB Godwin Igwebuike (2nd, coaches and media), DL Joe Gaziano (2nd, media; 3rd, coaches), LB Paddy Fisher (2nd, media; 3rd, coaches), QB Clayton Thorson (3rd, coaches and media), OG Tommy Doles (3rd, coaches and media), DB Kyle Queiro (3rd, coaches and media)

2018 (5): LB Paddy Fisher (1st, coaches; 2nd, media), DB Montre Hartage (1st, media; 3rd, coaches); DL Joe Gaziano (2nd, coaches; 3rd, media); OT Rashawn Slater (3rd, coaches), LB Blake Gallagher (3rd, media)

2019 (2): DL Joe Gaziano (1st, coaches; 2nd, media); LB Paddy Fisher (2nd, media; 3rd, coaches)

2020 (7): LB Paddy Fisher (1st, coaches and media); DB Brandon Joseph (1st, coaches and media); DB Greg Newsome II (1st, coaches and media), LB Blake Gallagher (2nd, coaches and media); OT Peter Skoronski (2nd, media; 3rd, coaches); QB Peyton Ramsey (3rd, coaches and media); DL Eku Leota (3rd, media)

2021 (3): OT Peter Skoronski (1st, media; 2nd, coaches), DB Brandon Joseph (2nd, media), LB Chris Bergin (2nd, media; 3rd, coaches)

2022 (3): OT Peter Skoronski (1st, coaches and media), DL Adetomiwa Adebawore (3rd, media), LB Bryce Gallagher (3rd, media)

MOST BIG TEN WINS: ALL GAMES

Rk.	Coach (Years)	Wins
1.	Kirk Ferentz (Iowa, 1999-)	211
2.	Woody Hayes (Ohio State, 1951-78)	205
3.	Amos Alonzo Stagg (Chicago, 1896-1932)	199
4.	Bo Schembechler (Michigan, 1969-89)	194
5.	Joe Paterno (Penn State, 1993-2011 in B1G)	162
6.	Hayden Fry (Iowa, 1979-98)	143
7.	Henry Williams (Minnesota, 1900-21)	136
8.	Robert Zuppke (Illinois, 1931-41)	131
9.	Lloyd Carr (Michigan, 1995-2007)	122
10.	Barry Alvarez (Wisconsin, 1990-2005)	119
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Big Ten Coach of the Year after guiding Northwestern to the Big Ten West Division title (8-1 league record) and its first Big Ten title game appearance.

The Wildcats had a special season in 2020. In the conference only season due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Fitzgerald led Northwestern to a 6-1 regular season record, the Big Ten West Division title, and a win in the 2021 Citrus Bowl over Auburn. He was named the 2020 Dodd Trophy Coach of the Year recipient in addition to winning the 2021 Stallings Award, given to a Division I coach for being an exceptional humanitarian and coach. The 2020 Wildcats finished the season ranked No. 10 in the AP's final poll with a 7-2 record, the program's best finish in the poll since the 1995 season.

Four players – defensive back Brandon Joseph, defensive back Greg Newsome II, linebacker Paddy Fisher and linebacker Blake Gallagher – received All-America recognition in 2020. Joseph headlined the group, becoming Northwestern's first consensus All-American since 2000 and only the second defensive consensus All-American in program history, the other being Fitzgerald.





A total of 14 players earned All-Big Ten recognition from either the league coaches or media, including Joseph, Fisher and Newsome II, who received first-team honors. It was the first time in program history that three Northwestern defensive players earned first team honors. Joseph also was named the Big Ten Thompson-Randle El Freshman of the Year, while Fisher was tabbed as the Big Ten Butkus-Fitzgerald Linebacker of the Year. The Katy, Texas, native finished his collegiate career as the active career leader in total tackles with 404 and was named a finalist for the Lott IMPACT Trophy.

Three players from the 2020 team were selected in the 2021 NFL Draft, including a pair of first-rounders (OT Rashawn Slater, No. 13 overall, Chargers; DB Greg Newsome II, No. 26 overall, Browns).

Offensive tackle Peter Skoronski was the third first-rounder in the Fitzgerald era at Northwestern, getting selected with the 11th overall pick in the 2023 NFL Draft. A two-time All-Big Ten First Team honoree, Skoronski was named the Big Ten Offensive Lineman of the Year as a senior in 2022 and earned unanimous first-team All-America honors.

Four players overall on the 2022 team were chosen in the 2023 NFL Draft, the most in a single year under Fitzgerald at NU.

Fitzgerald was very active in the community during his tenure at Northwestern, participating in numerous charitable causes, including the Special Olympics and the NU chapter of Uplifting Athletes, while also visiting schools and children's hospitals. For his work in the community, Fitzgerald was named the honorary coach of the 2017 Allstate AFCA Good Works Team.

Fitzgerald and his wife, Stacy, have three sons: Jack, Ryan and Brendan.

THE FITZGERALD FILE

► PREVIOUS COACHING EXPERIENCE:

- Head coach at Northwestern (2006-22)
- Linebackers coach/recruiting coordinator at Northwestern (2004-05)
- Defensive backs coach at Northwestern (2001)
- Linebackers coach/special teams coach at Idaho (2000)
- Defensive graduate assistant at Colorado (1999)
- Defensive graduate assistant at Maryland (1998)

► **PERSONAL DATA:** Born Dec. 2, 1974. Family: wife Stacy and three sons: Jack, Ryan and Brendan.

► **CONNECT:** X: @coachfitz51

► **EDUCATION:** Earned his bachelor's degree in 1997 from Northwestern's School of Education and Social Policy.

► **HEAD COACHING RECORD:** 112-101; in his 18th season as head coach (Northwestern, 2006-22; MSU 2026-).

► **PLAYING EXPERIENCE:** College: Played linebacker at Northwestern from 1993-96.

► POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE/BOWL TEAMS:

Coach: 2003 Motor City Bowl (assistant), 2005 Sun Bowl (assistant), 2008 Alamo, 2010 Outback, 2011 Ticket City, 2011 Texas, 2013 Gator, 2016 Outback, 2016 Pinstripe, 2017 Music City, 2018 Holiday, 2021 Citrus.

Player: 1996 Rose Bowl, 1997 Citrus Bowl.



ALL-AMERICANS/NFL DRAFT PICKS UNDER FITZGERALD

► **NFL DRAFT PICKS:** Fitzgerald has coached 22 NFL draft picks during his career, including three first-rounders.

Year-by-Year Breakdown:

2006 (1): LB Tim McGarigle (Northwestern; 7th round, No. 221 overall, Rams)

2010 (3): DE Corey Wootton (Northwestern; 4th round, No. 109 overall, Bears); QB Mike Kafka (Northwestern; 4th round, No. 122 overall, Eagles); DB Sherrick McManis (Northwestern; 5th round, No. 144 overall, Texans)

2012 (2): TE Drake Dunsmore (Northwestern; 7th round, No. 233 overall, Buccaneers); WR Jeremy Ebert (Northwestern; 7th round, No. 235 overall, Patriots)

2015 (2): S Ibraheim Campbell (Northwestern; 4th round, No. 115 overall, Browns); QB Trevor Siemian (Northwestern; 7th round, No. 250 overall, Broncos)

2016 (2): DE Dean Lowry (Northwestern; 4th round, No. 137 overall, Packers); FB Danny Vitale (Northwestern; 6th round, No. 197 overall, Buccaneers)

2017 (2): LB Anthony Walker (Northwestern; 5th round, No. 161 overall, Colts); DL Ifeadi Odenigbo (Northwestern; 7th round, No. 220 overall, Vikings)

2018 (1): RB Justin Jackson (Northwestern; 7th round, No. 251 overall, Chargers)

2019 (1): QB Clayton Thorson (Northwestern; 5th round, No. 167 overall, Eagles)

2021 (3): OT Rashawn Slater (Northwestern; 1st round, No. 13 overall, Chargers); CB Greg Newsome II (Northwestern; 1st round, No. 26 overall, Browns); DE Earnest Brown IV (Northwestern; 5th round, No. 174 overall, Raiders)

2023 (4): OT Peter Skoronski (Northwestern; 1st round, No. 11 overall, Titans); DL Adetomiwa Adebawore (Northwestern; 4th round, No. 110 overall); DB Cameron Mitchell (5th round, No. 142 overall, Browns); RB Evan Hull (Northwestern; 5th round, No. 176 overall, Colts)

2024 (1): WR Malik Washington (Northwestern/Virginia; 6th round, No. 184 overall, Dolphins)

► **ALL-AMERICANS:** Fitzgerald has coached 11 All-Americans during his career, including four first-teamers.

Year-by-Year Breakdown:

2010 (1): QB Dan Persa (CFN, honorable mention)

2012 (1): PR Venric Mark (FWAA, first team)

2013 (1): K Jeff Budzien (Sporting News, first team)

2015 (2): LB Anthony Walker (AP, third team), DB Nick VanHoose (Sports Illustrated, honorable mention)

2016 (1): WR Austin Carr (Sports Illustrated, third team)

2018 (1): LB Paddy Fisher (AP, third team)

2020 (4): DB Brandon Joseph (consensus first team; AFCA, AP, Sporting News, first team), LB Paddy Fisher (AFCA, second team), CB Greg Newsome II (FWAA, second team), LB Blake Gallagher (Phil Steele, third team)

2022 (1): OT Peter Skoronski (unanimous first team; AP, AFCA, FWAA, Sporting News, Walter Camp, first team)



2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL COACHING STAFF



Pat Fitzgerald
Head Coach
First Year at MSU



LeVar Woods
Asst. HC/Special Teams Coordinator
First Year at MSU



Joe Rossi
Defensive Coordinator
Third Year at MSU



Nick Sheridan
Offensive Coordinator
First Year at MSU



Max Bullough
Co-Def. Coord./Linebackers
First Year at MSU



James Adams
Safeties
Second Year at MSU



Andrew Bindelglass
Rush Ends
Third Year Overall at MSU



Winston DeLattiboudere III
Defensive Line
First Year at MSU



Courtney Hawkins
Wide Receivers
Seventh Year at MSU



John McNulty
Quarterbacks
First Year at MSU



Hank Poteat
Cornerbacks
First Year at MSU



Devon Spalding
Running Backs
First Year at MSU



Nick Tabacca
Offensive Line
First Year at MSU



Brian Wozniak
Tight Ends
Third Year at MSU



OFFENSE

100-YARD RUSHING GAME

Spartans: Cam Edwards, 152 yards vs. Eastern Michigan, Sept. 12, 2026 (MSU 35-7)
Opponent: Kaytron Allen, 181 yards, Penn State, Nov. 15, 2025 (PSU 28-10)

150-YARD RUSHING GAME

Spartans: Cam Edwards, 152 yards vs. Eastern Michigan, Sept. 12, 2026 (MSU 35-7)
Opponent: Kaytron Allen, 181 yards, Penn State, Nov. 15, 2025 (PSU 28-10)

200-YARD RUSHING GAME

Spartans: Kenneth Walker III, 233 yards vs. Rutgers, Oct. 9, 2021 (MSU 31-13)
Opponent: Jordan Nubin (204 yards), Minnesota, Oct. 28, 2023 (MINN 27-12)

150 RUSHING YARDS AT HALFTIME

Spartans: Javon Ringer, 160 yards vs. Indiana, Oct. 13, 2007 (MSU 52-27)
Opponent: Jordan James (151 yards), Oregon, Oct. 4, 2024 (ORE 31-10)

30 OR MORE CARRIES

Spartans: Kenneth Walker III, 30 vs. Penn State, Nov. 27, 2021 (MSU 30-27)
Opponent: Kyle Monangai, Rutgers, 31, Nov. 30, 2024 (RUT 41-14)

40 OR MORE CARRIES

Spartans: Le'Veon Bell, 44 vs. Boise State, Aug. 31, 2012 (MSU 17-13)
Opponent: Jordan Nubin, Minnesota, 40, Oct. 28, 2023 (MINN 27-12)

TWO PLAYERS WITH 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

Spartans: Jalen Berger (119 yards) and Elijah Collins (107 yards), vs. Indiana, Nov. 19, 2022 (IU 39-31 2OT)
Opponent: Justice Haynes (152 yards) and Jordan Marshall (110 yards), Michigan, Oct. 25, 2025 (MICH 31-20)

TWO PLAYERS WITH MULTIPLE RUSHING TDS

Spartans: Jalen Berger (3) and Jarek Broussard (2), vs. Akron, Sept. 10, 2022 (MSU 52-0)

300-YARD PASSING GAME

Spartans: Alessio Milivojevic, 311 yards (20-for-28) vs. Minnesota, Nov. 1, 2025 (MINN 23-20 OT)
Opponent: Malik Washington, Maryland, 459 yards (38-for-61), Nov. 29, 2025 (MSU 38-28)

400-YARD PASSING GAME

Spartans: Brian Lewerke, 400 yards (33-for-56) vs. Penn State, Nov. 4, 2017 (MSU 27-24)
Opponent: Malik Washington, Maryland, 459 yards (38-for-61), Nov. 29, 2025 (MSU 38-28)

500-YARD PASSING GAME

Spartans: Not accomplished.
Opponent: Aidan O'Connell, Purdue, 536 yards (40-for-54), Nov. 6, 2021 (PUR 40-29)

TWO PLAYERS WITH 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

Spartans: Nick Marsh, 113 yards (8 catches) and Montorie Foster Jr., 100 yards (5 catches) vs. Iowa, Oct. 19, 2024 (MSU 32-20)
Opponent: Jalil Farooq, 110 yards (10 catches), Shaleak Knotts, 139 yards (8 catches), Maryland, Nov. 29, 2025 (MSU 38-28)

150-YARD RECEIVING GAME

Spartans: Nick Marsh, 194 yards (8 catches) vs. Maryland, Sept. 7, 2024 (MSU 27-24)
Opponent: Tai Felton, 152 yards (11 catches), Maryland, Sept. 7, 2024 (MSU 27-24)

150-YARD RECEIVING GAME AT HALFTIME

Spartans: Jalen Nailor, 208 yards (4 catches) vs. Rutgers, Oct. 9, 2021 (MSU 31-13) * school record for first half

200-YARD RECEIVING GAME

Spartans: Jalen Nailor, 221 yards (5 catches) vs. Rutgers, Oct. 9, 2021 (MSU 31-13)
Opponent: David Bell, 217 yards (11 catches), Purdue, Nov. 6, 2021 (PUR 40-29)

10 STRAIGHT COMPLETIONS TO START GAME

Spartans: Payton Thorne, 10 vs. Washington, Sept. 17, 2022 (UW 39-28)

10 STRAIGHT COMPLETIONS

Spartans: Aidan Chiles, 20 vs. Indiana, Oct. 18, 2025 (IU 38-13) * school record

30 PASS COMPLETIONS

Spartans: Payton Thorne, 30 vs. Washington (42 attempts), Sept. 17, 2022 (UW 39-28)
Opponent: Malik Washington, Maryland, 38, Nov. 29, 2025 (MSU 38-28)

SCORED FOUR RUSHING TDS

Spartans: Kenneth Walker III, five vs. Michigan (runs of 27, 8, 1, 58, 23 yards), Oct. 30, 2021 (MSU 37-33)
Opponent: Larry Johnson, Penn State, four (runs of 11, 78, 11, 38 yards), Nov. 23, 2002 (PSU 61-7)

SCORED FOUR RUSHING TDS IN FIRST HALF

Spartans: Jehu Caulcrick, four vs. UAB (runs of 5, 1, 42 and 5 yards), Sept. 1, 2007 (MSU 55-18)
 * tied school record with Blake Ezor (1989 vs. Northwestern)

SCORED THREE RUSHING TDS IN ONE QUARTER

Spartans: Nathan Carter, three vs. Richmond (runs of 2, 44, 6 yards in third quarter), Sept. 9, 2022 (MSU 45-14)

SCORED FOUR TDS

Spartans: Kenneth Walker III, five vs. Michigan (runs of 27, 8, 1, 58, 23 yards), Oct. 30, 2021 (MSU 37-33)
Opponent: Montee Ball, Wisconsin, four (3 rush, 1 receiving), Dec. 3, 2011 (WIS 42-39)

SCORED FIVE TDS

Spartans: Kenneth Walker III, five vs. Michigan (runs of 27, 8, 1, 58, 23 yards), Oct. 30, 2021 (MSU 37-33)
Opponent: Lee Evans, Wisconsin, five (catches of 9, 75, 18, 70, 18 yards), Nov. 15, 2003 (WIS 56-21)

SCORED TD ON FIRST OFFENSIVE PLAY FROM SCRIMMAGE

Spartans: Elijah Tau-Tolliver, 57-yard rushing TD, Penn State, Nov. 15, 2025 (PSU 28-10)

SCORED TD ON FIRST OFFENSIVE PLAY FROM SCRIMMAGE - BACK-TO-BACK GAMES

Spartans: Kenneth Walker III, 75-yard rushing TD, Northwestern, Sept. 3, 2021 (MSU 38-21); Payton Thorne to Jayden Reed, 75-yard TD pass, Youngstown State (MSU 42-14)

THREW FOUR TD PASSES

Spartans: Alessio Milivojevic, four vs. Maryland, Nov. 29, 2025 (MSU 38-28)
Opponent: Fernando Mendoza, Indiana, four, Oct. 18, 2025 (IU 38-13)

THREW FIVE TD PASSES

Spartans: *Drew Stanton, five vs. Illinois, Sept. 24, 2005 (MSU 61-14) *school record
Opponent: C.J. Stroud, Ohio State, six, Oct. 8, 2022 (OSU 49-20)

THREE TD RECEPTIONS

Spartans: Jalen Nailor, three vs. Rutgers (63, 63, 65 yards from Payton Thorne), Oct. 9, 2021 (MSU 31-13)
Opponent: Jack Westover, Washington, three (catches of 5, 13, 7 yards), Sept. 16, 2023 (UW 41-7)

QUARTERBACK WITH TD RECEPTION

Spartans: Brian Lewerke 4-yard pass from Darrell Stewart vs. Michigan, Oct. 20, 2018 (UW 21-7)

NON-QUARTERBACK WITH TD PASS

Spartans: WR Jayden Reed 25-yard pass to WR Keon Coleman vs. Wisconsin, Oct. 15, 2022 (MSU 34-28 2OT)
Opponent: RB Donovan Edwards 23-yard pass to TE Colston Loveland, Michigan, Oct. 26, 2024 (UW 24-17)

RUSHING/RECEIVING TD IN SAME GAME

Spartans: Nathan Carter, 2-yard rush and 20-yard reception, vs. Purdue, Nov. 22, 2024 (MSU 24-17)

RUSHING/PASSING TD IN SAME GAME

Spartans: Alessio Milivojevic, 1-yard rush and 2-yard pass, vs. Nebraska, Oct. 4, 2025 (NEB 38-27)

PASSING/RECEIVING TD IN SAME GAME

Spartans: Jayden Reed 25-yard pass to Keon Coleman; Reed 27-yard reception from Payton Thorne (both in overtime), vs. Wisconsin, Oct. 15, 2022 (MSU 34-28 2OT)

80-YARD OR LONGER TD RECEPTION

Spartans: Payton Thorne to Jayden Reed, 85 yards vs. Youngstown State, Sept. 11, 2021 (MSU 42-14)
Opponent: Cade McNamara to Andrel Anthony, Michigan, 93 yards, Oct. 30, 2021 (MSU 37-33)

80-YARD OR LONGER TD RUN

Spartans: Kenneth Walker III, 94 yards vs. Rutgers, Oct. 9, 2021 (MSU 31-13) * school record
Opponent: Mike Weber, Ohio State, 82 yards, Nov. 11, 2017 (OSU 48-3)

BACK-TO-BACK 200-YARD RUSHING GAMES

Spartans: *Javon Ringer, 208 (Florida Atlantic and Notre Dame)
 * First time accomplished in school history

10 STRAIGHT 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES*

Spartans: Jeremy Langford, 2014 (Sept. 27 Wyoming - Jan. 1 Baylor) * school record

300 ALL-PURPOSE YARDS

Spartans: Javon Ringer, 308 yards vs. Florida Atlantic, Sept. 13, 2008 (MSU 17-0)

DID NOT SCORE A TOUCHDOWN

Spartans: vs. Penn State, Nov. 24, 2023 (PSU 42-0)
Opponent: Prairie View A&M, Sept. 14, 2024 (MSU 40-0)

DID NOT SCORE AN OFFENSIVE TOUCHDOWN

Spartans: vs. Penn State, Nov. 24, 2023 (PSU 42-0)
Opponent: Western Michigan, Aug. 29, 2025 (MSU 23-6)

NEITHER TEAM SCORED A TOUCHDOWN

Nov. 17, 2018, Michigan State at Nebraska (NEB 9-6)

SPECIAL TEAMS

KICKOFF RETURN FOR TOUCHDOWN

Spartans: Alante Brown, 92 yards vs. Maryland, Nov. 29, 2025 (MSU 38-28)
Opponent: Jaylin Lucas, Indiana, 88 yards, Nov. 19, 2022 (IU 39-31 2OT)

RETURN FOR TOUCHDOWN ON OPENING KICKOFF

Spartans: R.J. Shelton, 90 yards vs. Penn State, Nov. 29, 2014 (MSU 34-10)

PUNT RETURN FOR TOUCHDOWN

Spartans: Jayden Reed, 88 yards vs. Western Kentucky, Oct. 2, 2021 (MSU 48-31)
Opponent: Kaden Wetjen, Iowa, 62 yards, Nov. 22, 2025 (IOWA 20-17)

BLOCKED PUNT RETURN FOR TOUCHDOWN

Spartans: Bennie Fowler, 0 yards (recovered in end zone; blocked by Tyler Elsworth, 36-yard return) vs. Wisconsin, Oct. 22, 2011 (MSU 37-31)
Opponent: Carter Nelson, Nebraska, 3 yards (blocked by Jamir Conn), Oct. 4, 2025 (NEB 38-27)

BLOCKED PUNT

Spartans: Dominique Long vs. Tulsa, Aug. 30, 2019 (MSU 28-7)
Opponent: Dani Dennis-Sutton of Penn State blocked Ryan Eckley's punt/Nov. 15, 2025 (PSU 28-10)

SPECIALIST SCORED A TOUCHDOWN

Spartans: PK Matt Coghlin vs. Indiana, Sept. 22, 2018 (MSU 35-21)

BLOCKED FIELD GOAL

Spartans: Ru'Quan Buckley vs. Purdue, blocked Ben Freehill's 30-yard attempt, Nov. 22, 2024 (MSU 24-17)
Opponent: James Head Jr., Indiana, blocked Ben Patton's 28-yard attempt, Nov. 19, 2022 (IU 39-31 2OT)

BLOCKED TWO FIELD GOALS

Spartans: Percy Snow vs. Minnesota, Nov. 11, 1989 (MSU 21-7)

DEFENSIVE EXTRA POINT SCORED

Spartans: Ashton Watson, returned blocked PAT, vs. Indiana, Oct. 29, 2005 (MSU 46-15)
Opponent: Jabrill Peppers, Michigan, returned fumble on 2-point conversion, Oct. 29, 2016 (MICH 32-23)

SUCCESSFUL 2-POINT CONVERSION

Spartans: Aidan Chiles pass to Omari Kelly, vs. Boston College, Sept. 6, 2025 (MSU 42-40, 2OT)
Opponent: Athan Kaliakmanis pass to KJ Duffe, Rutgers, Nov. 30, 2024 (RUT 41-14)

70-YARD PUNT

Spartans: Bryce Baringer, 72 yards vs. Penn State, Nov. 26, 2022 (PSU 35-16)
Opponent: Drue Chrisman, Ohio State, 74 yards, Dec. 5, 2020 (OSU 52-12)

50-YARD FIELD GOAL

Spartans: Liam Boyd, 51 yards vs. Toledo, Sept. 4, 2026 (MSU 32-20)
Opponent: Andrew Boyle, Oregon, 50 yards, Oct. 4, 2024 (ORE 31-10)

KICKED FOUR FIELD GOALS

Spartans: Liam Boyd, five vs. Toledo (32, 42, 48, 35, 51 yards), Sept. 4 vs. Toledo (MSU 30-20)
Opponent: Jai Patel, Rutgers, four (25, 42, 30, 29), Nov. 30, 2024 (RUT 41-14)

MISSED/BLOCKED/FAILED EXTRA POINT

Spartans: Martin Connington vs. UCLA, Oct. 11, 2025 (UCLA 38-13)
Opponent: Dominic Zvada, Michigan, Oct. 26, 2024 (UM 24-17)

SUCCESSFUL ONSIDE KICK

Spartans: Kevin Cronin vs. Baylor, Jan. 1, 2015 (MSU 42-41)
Opponent: Palmer Domschke, Western Michigan, Aug. 29, 2025 (MSU 23-6)

DEFENSE

HELD TO 25 OR FEWER YARDS RUSHING

Spartans: -36 yards vs. Indiana (32 attempts), Nov. 2, 2024 (IU 47-10)
Opponent: 4 yards by Purdue (19 carries), Nov. 22, 2024 (MSU 24-17)

HELD TO 50 OR FEWER YARDS RUSHING

Spartans: -36 yards vs. Indiana (32 attempts), Nov. 2, 2024 (IU 47-10)
Opponent: 29 yards by Western Michigan (24 carries), Aug. 29, 2025 (MSU 23-6)

HELD TO FEWER THAN 10 FIRST DOWNS

Spartans: 5 vs. Penn State, Nov. 24, 2023 (PSU 42-0)
Opponent: 7 by Rutgers, Nov. 23, 2019 (MSU 27-0)

HELD TO 100 OR FEWER YARDS PASSING

Spartans: 88 yards vs. Penn State (12-20), Nov. 24, 2023 (PSU 42-0)
Opponent: 96 yards by Central Michigan (13-25), Sept. 1, 2023 (MSU 31-7)

HELD TO 100 OR FEWER YARDS PASSING BACK-TO-BACK GAMES

Opponent: 40 yards by Rutgers (6-18-2), Nov. 12, 2016 (MSU 49-0); 86 yards by Ohio State (10-22-0), Nov. 19, 2016 (OSU 17-16)

HELD TO 100 OR FEWER TOTAL YARDS

Spartans: 53 yards vs. Penn State, Nov. 24, 2023 (PSU 42-0)
Opponent: 80 yards by Tulsa, Aug. 30, 2019 (MSU 28-7)

SHUTOUT RECORDED

Spartans: vs. Prairie View A&M (40-0), Sept. 14, 2024
Opponent: by Penn State (42-0), Nov. 24, 2023

SHUTOUT RECORDED IN SPARTAN STADIUM

Spartans: vs. Prairie View A&M (40-0), Sept. 14, 2024
Opponent: by Michigan (49-0), Oct. 21, 2023

SAFETY RECORDED

Spartans: Alex VanSumeren and Jalen Thompson vs. Western Michigan, Aug. 29, 2025 (MSU 23-6)
Opponent: Indiana, Nov. 2, 2024 (IU 47-10)

PLAYER HAD THREE SACKS

Spartans: Jacoby Windmon, four vs. Western Michigan, Sept. 2, 2022 (MSU 35-13)
Opponent: Brandon Graham, Michigan, three, Oct. 25, 2008 (MSU 35-21)

SCORED TWO DEFENSIVE TOUCHDOWNS

Spartans: Two vs. Penn State (Demetrius Cox 77-yard fumble return; Malik McDowell 13-yard interception return), Nov. 28, 2015 (MSU 55-16)
Opponent: Two by Ohio State (Thaddeus Gibson fumble return; Jermale Hines fumble return), Oct. 18, 2008 (OSU 45-7)

SCORED TWO DEFENSIVE TOUCHDOWNS - SAME PLAYER

Spartans: Two vs. South Florida (Shilique Calhoun 4-yard fumble return; Calhoun 56-yard interception return), Sept. 7, 2013 (MSU 21-6) * school record

INTERCEPTION RETURN FOR TOUCHDOWN

Spartans: Charles Brantley, 100 yards vs. Prairie View A&M, Sept. 14, 2024 (MSU 40-0) * school record
Opponent: Daquan Hardy, Penn State, 17 yards, Nov. 27, 2021 (MSU 30-27)

FOUR INTERCEPTIONS (TEAM)

Spartans: Four vs. Central Michigan (Robinson, Lewis, Bullough, Drummond), Sept. 24, 2011 (MSU 45-7)
Opponent: Four by Boston College, Dec. 28, 2007 (BC 24-21)

FORCED FIVE TURNOVERS

Spartans: Forced five vs. Michigan, Oct. 7, 2017 (MSU 14-10)
Opponent: Five forced by Maryland, Sept. 23, 2023 (UMD 31-9)

TWO INTERCEPTIONS (INDIVIDUAL)

Spartans: Shakur Brown, two vs. Northwestern, Nov. 28, 2020 (29-20)

FUMBLE RETURN/RECOVERY FOR TOUCHDOWN

Spartans: Cal Haladay, 42 yards vs. Iowa, Sept. 30, 2023 (IOWA 26-16)
Opponent: Avery Young, Rutgers, 0 yards, Oct. 14, 2023 (RUT 27-24)

PLAYER HAD TWO FUMBLE RECOVERIES

Spartans: Kenny Willekes, two vs. Tulsa, Aug. 30, 2019 (MSU 28-7)

PLAYER HAD THREE FORCED FUMBLES

Spartans: Jacoby Windmon, three vs. Akron, Sept. 10, 2022 (MSU 52-0)

PLAYER HAD FORCED FUMBLE, INT, TFL, 10-PLUS TACKLES IN SAME GAME

Spartans: Jacoby Windmon, 11 tackles, 2 TFLs, 1 INT, 1 FF vs. Wisconsin, Oct. 15, 2022 (MSU 34-28 2OT)

TEAM/MISCELLANEOUS

BIGGEST COMEBACK



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EAST LANSING, Mich. -- Graduate kicker Liam Boyd connected on five field goals, including a career-best from 51 yards with 1:55 left, as Michigan State opened up a 19-7 lead at the half and beat Toledo, 30-20, in the season opener for both teams in front of 72,083 at Spartan Stadium on the night of Friday, Sept. 4.

It was the first win for Michigan State under first-year head coach Pat Fitzgerald.

Redshirt sophomore quarterback Alessio Milivojevic completed 26-of-34 passes for 247 yards and one touchdown, graduate running back Cam Edwards had 27 carries for 98 yards and one touchdown and graduate wide receiver Rodney Bullard Jr. caught seven passes for 90 yards, including a 5-yard TD pass with 10:37 left in the game as MSU reclaimed the lead.

Boyd, a transfer from Charlotte, kicked five field goals, four in the first half -- from 32 yards, 42 yards, 48 yards and 35 yards -- before the 51-yarder to seal the win.

After forcing a three-and-out on Toledo's first possession, Michigan State marched right down the field on its first offensive drive of the season, going 63 yards on 13 plays in 7:14 to take a quick 7-0 lead. Edwards capped the long drive with a 2-yard run from the Wildcat formation.

Liam Boyd connected on a 32-yard field goal with six seconds left in the first quarter as MSU opened a 10-0 advantage.

Playing in his first game as a Spartan, Kenny Soares Jr. recorded an interception in Toledo territory to set up Boyd's second field goal of the game, this time from 42 yards away to make it 13-0 in favor of the Spartans with 11:37 remaining in the second quarter.

Toledo answered on its next series as John Alan Richter threw a 60-yard touchdown to Adjatay Dabbs to get on the board, cutting MSU's lead to 13-7.

Boyd hit two more field goals in the second quarter (48 yards, 35 yards) to give MSU a 19-7 halftime lead.

The Spartans held onto the ball for more than six minutes to start the third quarter, but Boyd's fifth field-goal attempt was blocked. The Rockets then drove 60 yards on six plays, capped by a Richter 6-yard TD pass to Dabbs, to trim the MSU lead to 19-14 at the 6:49 mark in the third quarter.

Following a fourth-down stop by Toledo in MSU territory, the Rockets took their first lead of the game on Connor Walendzak's 71-yard touchdown run that put UT on top, 20-19, with 13:47 left in the fourth quarter.

Michigan State answered right back, going on a seven-play, 70-yard touchdown drive to regain the lead, 27-20. On fourth-and-1 from the Toledo 5-yard line, Milivojevic found Bullard in the end zone at the 10:37 mark, and then the duo found a connection again on the 2-point conversion.

Toledo took possession and moved to the MSU 24-yard line before the drive stalled and a missed field goal gave the ball back to the Spartans. An 11-play, 43-yard drive over nearly six minutes went to the Toledo 33-yard line and Boyd's kick sealed the victory for MSU.

POST-GAME NOTES:

• Friday's game marked just the second meeting between Michigan State and Toledo, and the first since Nov. 8, 1925, when the Spartans routed the Rockets, 58-0.



Michigan State kicked off its 130th season of football and opened its first season under head coach Pat Fitzgerald with a 30-20 Victory for MSU over Toledo. With the win, Fitzgerald now has 111 wins, which now ranks tied for 13th all-time for a Big Ten football coaches, tying John Cooper from Ohio State (1988-2000). Graduate wide receiver Rodney Bullard Jr. (3) snared a team-high 90 yards on seven catches with one TD and a 2-point conversion. The seven receptions was the most during his Spartan career and tied his second-most in his career with seven during his Valdosta State career.

SCORE BY QUARTERS

	1	2	3	4	F
Toledo (0-1, 0-0 MAC)	0	7	7	6	- 20
Michigan State (1-0, 0-0 B1G)	10	9	0	11	- 30

SCORING SUMMARY

FIRST QUARTER

MSU (7-0)	Edwards 2-yard run (Boyd kick), 6:59 left Drive: 13 plays, 63 yards, TOP 7:14
MSU (10-0)	Boyd 32-yard field goal, 0:06 left Drive: 11 plays, 56 yards, TOP 5:34

SECOND QUARTER

MSU (13-0)	Boyd 42-yard field goal, 11:37 left Drive: 5 plays, 16 yards, TOP 2:45
TOL (13-7)	Dabbs 60-yard pass from Richter (Griffith kick), 7:50 left Drive: 7 plays, 75 yards, TOP 3:47
MSU (16-7)	Boyd 48-yard field goal, 4:40 left Drive: 7 plays, 15 yards, TOP 3:32
MSU (19-7)	Boyd 35-yard field goal, 0:00 left Drive: 10 plays, 46 yards, TOP 2:33

THIRD QUARTER

TOL (19-14)	Dabbs 6-yard pass from Richter (Griffith kick), 6:49 left Drive: 6 plays, 60 yards, TOP 2:08
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FOURTH QUARTER

TOL (20-14)	Walendzak 71-yard run (2-point failed), 13:47 left Drive: 2 plays, 71 yards, TOP 0:49
MSU (27-20)	Bullard 5-yard pass from Milivojevic (Bullard Jr. pass), 10:37 left Drive: 7 plays, 70 yards, TOP 3:10
MSU (30-20)	Boyd 51-yard field goal, 1:55 left Drive: 11 plays, 43 yards, TOP 5:55

TEAM STATISTICS

	TOL	MSU
First Downs	10	26
Rushes-Yards	20-77	49-150
Passing Yards	196	247
Passes (C-A-I)	12-21-1	26-34-0
Total Offense	41-273	83-397
Punts-Avg.	4-46.0	1-44.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	7-39	4-43
Possession Time	16:44	43:16

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING (CARRIES-YARDS-TD)

TOL: Walendzak 7-76-1; C.Miller 8-22; Ison 1-(-2); Richter 4-(-19). **MSU:** C.Edwards 27-98-1; Parrish 6-28; Patterson 7-23; McCray 1-4; Fancher 1-3; Team 1-(-1); Milivojevic 6-(-5).

PASSING (C-A-I-YARDS-TD)

TOL: Richter 12-21-1-196-2. **MSU:** Milivojevic 26-34-0-247-1.

RECEIVING (RECEPTIONS-YARDS-TD)

TOL: Dabbs 4-101-2; Hammer 3-49; Walendzak 3-18; Barnett 2-28. **MSU:** McCray 8-69; Bullard 7-90-1; Savoury 4-36; F.Moore 3-25; C.Edwards 2-7; Parachek 1-10; K.Smith 1-10.

TACKLES-TOP FIVE (TOTAL-SOLO-ASSISTS)

TOL: Zay 12 (6-6); Conteh 10 (7-3); Fox 10 (3-7); A.Smith 7 (4-3); Petite 7 (4-3); Johnson 7 (4-3). **MSU:** Richard 5 (5-0-5); Vaught 4 (3-2); Pretzlaff 5 (2-3); Hall 4 (1-3); Bell 3 (3-0); Coenen 3 (2-1); Beeler 3 (1-2).



GAME 2 • MICHIGAN STATE 35, EASTERN MICHIGAN 7

Game 2 | Michigan State 35, Eastern Michigan 7

Sept. 12, 2026 • East Lansing, Mich.

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Play-by-play, post-game quotes and notes available at msuspartans.com.

EAST LANSING, Mich. -- Michigan State scored 21 unanswered points in the second half en route to a 35-7 victory over Eastern Michigan at Spartan Stadium on Saturday afternoon.

The Spartans improve to 2-0 and will take on Notre Dame for the Megaphone Trophy next Saturday on NBC and Peacock. Eastern Michigan falls to 1-2 on the season.

Redshirt sophomore quarterback Alessio Milivojevic completed 12-of-20 passes for 170 yards and two touchdowns, while graduate running back Cam Edwards rushed for 152 yards with a pair of touchdowns on 21 attempts. Graduate quarterback Cam Fancher completed 6-of-6 passes for 44 yards and rushed for eight more yards on two carries.

Redshirt freshman tight end Jayden Savoury led MSU with four receptions, good for a career-best 63 yards, including a 46-yard catch-and-run in the fourth quarter. Leading the Spartans in receiving yards was redshirt freshman Charles Taplin who caught three passes for a career-best 65 yards and his first career touchdown on a 38-yard strike.

Redshirt sophomore linebacker Brady Pretzlaff tallied a career-high eight tackles, tying red-shirt junior safety Devin Vaught for the team high. Redshirt junior Eli Coenen led the Spartans with two sacks. Graduate cornerback Charles Brantley forced and recovered a third quarter fumble.

Michigan State opened the game's scoring on its second drive, following a Chrishton McCray 31-yard punt return that gave the Spartans on the EMU 24-yard line. Three plays later, Milivojevic found Fredrick Moore in the end zone for an 18-yard touchdown pass at the 6:32 mark in the first quarter.

MSU went up 14-0 midway through the second quarter after capitalizing on a 16-play, 80-yard drive in 7:19 with a 1-yard TD run by Edwards.

Eastern Michigan got on the board late in the first half with 1:50 remaining as Noah Kim ran in 4 yards for a touchdown that cut the Spartan lead to 14-7.

The Spartans took their first possession of the second half and marched right down the field, driving 75 yards on 13 plays while taking 6:10 off the clock, capped by a 2-yard TD run by Edwards, his second of the game.

After Charles Brantley forced a fumble on EMU's next series, Michigan State took advantage of the turnover as Milivojevic connected on a 38-yard touchdown pass to Charles Taplin to make it 28-7 in favor of MSU with 5:46 remaining in the third quarter. It marked Taplin's first career TD reception.

Two series later, Edwards busted loose for a game-long rush of 40 yards to set up Jaziun Patterson's 7-yard TD run that gave MSU a 35-7 advantage with 7:48 left in the game.

POST-GAME NOTES:

• MSU remains unbeaten all-time against EMU, improving to 11-0, including a 9-0 mark in East Lansing . . . Saturday was the first meeting between the Spartans and Eagles since 2014 . . . with Saturday's 35-7 score, the Spartans have now outscored the Eagles, 432-84 (average score: 39.3-7.6) over those 11 all-time meetings . . . the two teams met twice during the 1898 season and once in 1899 before not playing again until 1996.



Graduate running back Cam Edwards (0) had 152 rushing yards on 21 carries and two TDs . . . Edwards was MSU's first running back with 150+ rushing yards in game since Kenneth Walker III had 197 yards vs. Michigan on Oct. 30, 2021 . . . MSU's offensive line cleared the way for Edwards and the Spartan offense to amass 472 yards of total offense, which was the Spartans' highest offensive output since game 2 of the 2024 season with 484 yards at Maryland (Sept. 7, 2024) . . . MSU's 258 yards rushing on Saturday was its most since game 2 of the 2022 season with 260 yards vs. Akron (Sept. 10, 2022)

SCORE BY QUARTERS

	1	2	3	4	F
Eastern Michigan (1-1, 1-0 MAC)	0	7	0	0	- 7
Michigan State (2-0, 0-0 B1G)	7	7	14	7	- 35

SCORING SUMMARY

FIRST QUARTER

MSU (7-0) Moore 18-yard pass from Milivojevic (Boyd kick), 6:32 left
Drive: 3 plays, 24 yards, TOP 0:27

SECOND QUARTER

MSU (14-0) Edwards 1-yard run (Boyd kick), 8:45 6:32 left
Drive: 16 plays, 80 yards, TOP 7:19

EMU (7-14) Kim 4-yard run (Kessinger kick), 1:50 left
Drive: 13 plays, 78 yards, TOP 6:50

THIRD QUARTER

MSU (21-7) Edwards 2-yard run (Boyd kick), 8:50 left
Drive: 13 plays, 75 yards, TOP 6:10

MSU (28-7) Taplin 38-yard pass from Milivojevic (Boyd kick), 5:46 left
Drive: 3 plays, 60 yards, TOP 1:22

FOURTH QUARTER

MSU (35-7) Patterson 7-yard run (Boyd kick), 7:48 left
Drive: 3 plays, 53 yards, TOP 1:12

TEAM STATISTICS

	EMU	MSU
First Downs	13	24
Rushes-Yards	26-101	45-258
Passing Yards	118	214
Passes (C-A-I)	16-26-0	18-26-0
Total Offense	52-219	71-472
Punts-Avg.	6-41.3	2-50.5
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	3-12	4-32
Possession Time	28:39	31:21

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING (CARRIES-YARDS-TD)

EMU: Bennett 9-56, Blue 8-40, Mattord 2-3, Kim 7-2-1. MSU: C.Edwards 21-152-2, Tullis 4-37, Patterson 3-23-1, Milivojevic 7-14, Parrish 4-11, Ken.Williams 1-8, Fancher 2-8, Gist 3-5.

PASSING (C-A-I-YARDS-TD)

EMU: Kim 16-26-0-118-0. MSU: Milivojevic 2-20-0-170-2, Fancher 6-6-0-44-0.

RECEIVING (RECEPTIONS-YARDS-TD)

EMU: Mack 5-49, Prosper 4-30, Devereaux 3-8, Mattord 2-5, Bennett 1-22, Long 1-4. MSU: Savoury 4-63, Taplin 3-65-1, Bullard 3-26, Collier 2-23, McCray 2-10, F.Moore 1-18-1, C.Edwards 1-5, Rios 1-5, Parrish 1-(minus 1), McCray 8-69; Bullard 7-90-1; Savoury 4-36; F.Moore 3-25; C.Edwards 2-7; Parachek 1-10; K.Smith 1-10.

TACKLES-TOP FIVE (TOTAL-SOLO-ASSISTS)

EMU: Marshall 13 (6-7); Salas 11 (2-9); Adkins 7 (2-5); Williams 6 (3-3); Eliuk 6 (1-5); McDuffey 6 (1-5). MSU: Vaught 8 (3-5); Pretzlaff 8 (2-6); Crawford 7 (0-7); Soares 5 (2-3); Martinez 5 (1-4).



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2026 SCORING DRIVES BREAKDOWN

MSU SCORING DRIVES (Game-by-Game)

Opp.	Plays	Yards	Time	Result	Qtr	Scoring Play
TOL	13	63	7:14	TD	1	C.Edwards 2-yard run
TOL	11	56	5:34	FG	1	Boyd 37-yard FG
TOL	5	16	2:45	FG	2	Boyd 42-yard FG
TOL	7	15	3:32	FG	2	Boyd 48-yard FG
TOL	10	46	2:33	FG	2	Boyd 35-yard FG
TOL	7	70	3:10	TD	4	Bullard 5-yard pass; Milivojevic
TOL	11	43	5:55	FG	4	Boyd 51-yard FG
EMU	3	24	0:27	TD	1	Moore 17-yard pass; Milivojevic
EMU	16	80	7:19	TD	2	C.Edwards 1-yard run
EMU	13	75	6:10	TD	3	C.Edwards 2-yard run
EMU	3	60	1:22	TD	3	Taplin 38-yard pass; Milivojevic
EMU	3	53	1:12	TD	4	Patterson 7-yard run

Quick Strike Breakdown

Fewest Plays (TD): 3 (3) vs. Eastern Michigan
Fewest Plays (FG): 7, vs. Toledo
Fewest Yards (TD): 24, vs. Eastern Michigan
Fewest Yards (FG): 15, vs. Toledo
Time of Possession (TD): 3:10, vs. Toledo
Time of Possession (FG): 0:27, vs. Eastern Michigan

Longest Drives Breakdown

by No. of Plays (TD): 16, vs. Eastern Michigan
by No. of Plays (FG): 11 (twice), vs. Toledo
by No. of Yards (TD): 80, vs. Eastern Michigan
by No. of Yards (FG): 56, vs. Toledo
Time of Possession (TD): 7:19, vs. Eastern Michigan
Time of Possession (FG): 5:55, vs. Toledo
Longest Scoring Play (run): Crawford 2-yard run (twice) (Toledo; Eastern Michigan)
Longest Scoring Play (pass): Taplin 38-yard pass from Milivojevic (Toledo)

TD Drive Breakdown

No. of TD Scoring Drives: 7

1-9 yards: 0
10-19 yards: 0
20-29 yards: 1
30-39 yards: 0
40-49 yards: 0
50-59 yards: 1
60-69 yards: 2
70-79 yards: 2
80-89 yards: 1
90-99 yards: 0

1st Quarter: 2
2nd Quarter: 1
3rd Quarter: 1
4th Quarter: 2
Overtime: 0

Most Points in a Quarter: 14, vs. Eastern Michigan
Most Points in 1st Half: 19, vs. Toledo
Most Points in 2nd Half: 21, vs. Eastern Michigan

Scoring On Opening Drive: Toledo (TD)

OPPONENT SCORING DRIVES (Game-by-Game)

Opp.	Plays	Yards	Time	Result	Qtr	Scoring Play
TOL	7	75	3:47	TD	2	Dabbs 60-yard pass; Richter
TOL	6	60	2:08	TD	3	Dabbs 6-yard pass; Richter
TOL	2	71	0:49	TD	4	Walendzak 71-yard run
EMU	13	78	6:50	TD	2	Kim 4-yard run

Quick Strike Breakdown

Fewest Plays (TD): 2, vs. Toledo
Fewest Plays (FG): 6, vs. Toledo
Fewest Yards (TD): 60, vs. Toledo
Fewest Yards (FG): --
Time of Possession (TD): 0:49, vs. Toledo
Time of Possession (FG): --

Longest Drives Breakdown

by No. of Plays (TD): 13, vs. Eastern Michigan
by No. of Plays (FG): --
by No. of Yards (TD): 78, vs. Eastern Michigan
by No. of Yards (FG): --
Time of Possession (TD): 6:50, vs. Eastern Michigan
Time of Possession (FG): --
Longest Scoring Play (run): Walendzak 71-yard run (Toledo)
Longest Scoring Play (pass): Dabbs 60-yard pass; Richter (Toledo)

TD Drive Breakdown

No. of TD Scoring Drives: 4

1-9 yards: 0
10-19 yards: 0
20-29 yards: 0
30-39 yards: 0
40-49 yards: 0
50-59 yards: 0
60-69 yards: 1
70-79 yards: 3
80-89 yards: 0
90-99 yards: 0

1st Quarter: 0
2nd Quarter: 1
3rd Quarter: 1
4th Quarter: 1
Overtime: 0

Most Points in a Quarter: 7, (2nd and 3rd), vs. Toledo
Most Points in 1st Half: 7, vs. Toledo
Most Points in 2nd Half: 13, vs. Toledo

Fewest Points in a Quarter: 0, 4; Toledo (1st), Eastern Michigan (1st, 3rd, 4th)
Fewest Points in 1st Half: 7, (twice) last vs. Eastern Michigan
Fewest Points in 2nd Half: 0, vs. Eastern Michigan

Scoring On Opening Drive: --



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MIKESHUN
BEELER

CHICAGO, ILL.
SIMEON HS

R-SO | DL 6-2 | 290 | SQ

CAREER NOTES: Third-year defensive lineman looks to have an increased role for the Spartans in 2026 after playing in two games his first two seasons.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT SOPHOMORE): Has played in both games, posting five stops while logging 45 defensive snaps . . . logged career-high three tackles in Toledo game, including first solo stop and first tackle for loss of collegiate career, in charting 18 snaps.

BEELER'S CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 3, vs. Toledo (9/4/26)
Tackle For Loss: 0.5, vs. Toledo (9/4/26)

BEELER'S STATISTICS

	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2024	1/0	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
2025	1/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
2026	2/0	1	3	4	0.5-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Career	4/0	1	4	5	0.5-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0



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BELL

ST. LOUIS, MO.
PARKWAY WEST HS
LINDENWOOD (2022-24)
IOWA STATE (2025)

GR-5 | CB 6-2 | 205 | TR

CAREER NOTES: Transfer cornerback from Iowa State joined the Spartans in January 2026 and competed in spring practice . . . ranked the No. 17 cornerback transfer by 247Sports . . . spent three years at Lindenwood (2022-24) before playing one season at Iowa State in 2025 . . . has played in 34 career games, including 15 starts at cornerback (five at Lindenwood; eight at Iowa State; two at Michigan State) . . . has recorded 90 tackles, including 7.0 tackles for loss and 1.0 sack, along with three interceptions and 14 pass break-ups, in addition to one forced fumble and one fumble recovery . . . graduated from Iowa State in December 2025 with a business degree . . . named to the Shrine Bowl 1000 List as one of the top NFL Draft eligible players entering the 2026 season.

2026 SEASON (GRADUATE SENIOR): Has started both games at cornerback, posting six tackles, including 2.5 TFL and 1.0 sack, adding one pass break-up, in charting 91 snaps . . . started Eastern Michigan game at cornerback and posted three tackles, including 0.5 TFL, in logging 49 defensive snaps, which led MSU's cornerbacks and ranked fourth on the defense overall, and also downed punt at the EMU 3-yard line, pinning Eagles deep in their own territory . . . made start in Spartan debut, opening Toledo game at cornerback, tallying three tackles, including first sack of collegiate career, as part of 2.0 total tackles for loss, adding one pass break-up, in charting 42 snaps, which ranked third among cornerbacks and fifth overall on defense.

BELL'S CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 9[^], vs. Western Illinois (10/26/24)
Tackles For Loss: 1*[#], four times (last vs. Toledo, 9/4/26)
Sack: 1[#], vs. Toledo (9/4/26)
Pass Break-Ups: 2, three times (last vs. Southeast Missouri State, 11/9/24)

BELL'S STATISTICS

	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2022 [^]					-DNP-					
2023 [^]	10/4	17	7	24	0-0	0-0	0-0	5	0-0	0
2024 [^]	10/1	21	3	24	0.5-1	0-0	1-5	6	1-0	0
2025 *	12/8	28	8	36	4.0-5	0-0	2-0	2	0-0	1
2026 [#]	2/2	4	2	6	2.5-14	1.0-11	0-0	1	0-0	0
Career	34/15	70	20	90	7.0-20	1.0-11	3-5	14	1-0	1

[^] at Lindenwood / * = at Iowa State / [#] = at Michigan State

BELL'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2023: Lindenwood

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Wis.-Stevens Point	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Southeast Mo. St.	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Western Illinois	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Illinois State	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Austin Peay	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0-0	0
Tennessee Tech	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Charleston So.	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Tennessee State	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Eastern Illinois	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Bryant	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	17	7	24	0-0	0-0	0-0	5	0-0	0

2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



BELL'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS {CONT'D}

2024: Lindenwood

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Kansas	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	1-5	0	0-0	0
St. Thomas (MN)	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Eastern Illinois	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0-0	0
Tennessee State	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Charleston So.	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1-0	0
Gardner-Webb	2	1	3	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Western Illinois	8	1	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Tennessee Tech	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Southeast Mo. St.	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0-0	0
UT Martin	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	21	3	24	0.5-1	0-0	1-5	6	1-0	0

2025: Iowa State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Kansas State	1	2	3	0.5-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
South Dakota	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Iowa	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Arkansas State	3	1	4	1-2	0-0	1-0	0	0-0	0
Arizona	4	0	4	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Cincinnati	0	1	1	0.5-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Colorado	3	0	3	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
BYU	4	1	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Arizona State	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
TCU	3	2	5	0-0	0-0	1-0	1	0-0	1
Kansas	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Oklahoma State	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	28	8	36	4-5	0-0	2-0	2	0-0	1

2026: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Toledo	3	0	3	2.0-12	1.0-7	0-0	1	0-0	0
Eastern Michigan	1	2	3	0.5-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	4	2	6	2.5-14	1.0-7	0-0	1	0-0	0



LIAM BOYD

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ASHEVILLE, N.C.

ASHEVILLE HS.

CLEMSON (2022)

NORTH CAROLINA (2023-24)

CHARLOTTE (2025)

GR-5 | K

6-1 | 200 | TR

• Week 1 Lou Groza Collegiate Place-Kicker Award Stars of the Week (Week 1 - Toledo)

CAREER NOTES: Fifth-year kicker has appeared in 27 career games (13 at North Carolina in 2023-24; 12 at Charlotte in 2025; two at Michigan State in 2026) . . . began his career at Clemson in 2022 . . . is 15-of-19 on field goals and 28-for-28 on PATs in his career . . . averaging 62.3 yards per kickoff (138 kickoffs for 8,601 yards) . . . has 101 career touchbacks (73.2 percent of his kickoffs) . . . enrolled at Michigan State in January 2026 for the spring semester and competed in spring practice . . . is a registered EMT in North Carolina . . . earned his undergraduate degree from North Carolina.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT SENIOR): Named to Week 1 Lou Groza Collegiate Place-Kicker Award Stars of the Week list after performance in Toledo game, splitting the upright a career-high five times on 5-of-6 field goals, adding one PAT . . . one of three placekickers in the B1G and one of 43 placekickers in the FBS with a perfect FG percentage and tied for first in both the B1G and FBS in field goal percentage (1.000) . . . also ranks tied for second in the B1G and is tied for eighth in the FBS in field goals made (5), as well as also ranking tied for second in the conference and sixth in the country in FG made/game (2.5), and also tied for second in the league and tied for seventh in the nation in FG attempts (6) . . . is the second-highest scoring placekicker in the B1G and tied for 11th among placekickers in the FBS in total points (21), and also ranks tied for ninth in the B1G and tied for 38th in the FBS in total points (21) and also tied for eighth in the league and tied for 32nd in the nation in points/game (10.5) . . . one week after splitting the uprights a career-high five times and finished with 16 points on the night in the win over Toledo, had five PATs on against Eastern Michigan, which were the second-most of his collegiate career behind his career-best of six PATs during his time at Charlotte, which came in a game vs. Monmouth (9/13/25) . . . added five kickoffs for a 63.7 ypg average with four touchbacks . . . tied or topped career-long field goals a total of three times in the Toledo game, finishing with a career-high five field goals on 5-of-6 and one PAT, tying his collegiate long field goal with his second field goal of the night, a 42-yarder in the second quarter, then topped it with a 48-yarder in the second quarter, and then breaking his career-long with a 51-yarder in the fourth quarter for the first 50+ yarder of his career . . . also had a 35-yarder as time expired in the first half . . . only field goal missed was a 54-yarder that was blocked . . . the five field goals was the most field goals by a Spartan kicker in his debut . . . it was also the fifth time in school history that a Spartan placekicker made at least five field goals in a game, and the most since Jonathan Kim's school-record six field goals on Oct. 19, 2024, vs. Iowa in a 32-20 Victory for MSU over the Hawkeyes . . . finished with 16 points on the night, a new career-high and first time in double-digits, topping his previous high of nine points, done twice during his career at Charlotte . . . also had seven kickoffs for a 65.0 ypg average with six touchbacks . . . earned the Spartan Special Teams Player of the Game award,

BOYD'S CAREER HIGHS

Extra Points Made 6*, vs. Monmouth (9/13/25)
 Extra Points Att..... 6*, vs. Monmouth (9/13/25)
 Field Goals Made..... 5#, vs. Toledo (9/4/26)
 Field Goals Att..... 6#, vs. Toledo (9/4/26)
 Longest FG Made 51#, vs. Toledo (9/4/26)
 Total Points..... 16#, vs. Toledo (9/4/26)

BOYD'S STATISTICS

SCORING	PAT (Pct.)	FG (Pct.)	PTS	LG
2023 ^	0-0 (.000)	0-0 (.000)	0	0
2024 ^	7-7 (1.000)	1-1 (1.000)	10	36
2025 *	15-15 (1.000)	9-12 (.750)	42	42
2026 #	6-6 (1.000)	5-6 (.833)	21	51
Career	28-28 (1.000)	15-19 (.789)	73	51



2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

KICKOFFS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TB
2023 ^	66	4,118	62.4	49
2024 ^	20	1,282	64.1	13
2025 *	39	2,364	60.6	29
2026 #	13	837	64.8	10
Career	138	8,601	62.3	101

^ at North Carolina / * = at Charlotte / # = at Michigan State

BOYD'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2023: North Carolina

KICKOFFS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TB
Minnesota	6	389	64.8	4
Pitt	8	483	60.4	5
Syracuse	9	585	65.0	8
Miami	8	451	56.4	3
Georgia Tech	7	455	65.0	7
Campbell	10	586	58.6	6
Duke	8	520	65.0	7
Clemson	4	260	65.0	4
NC State	3	194	64.7	2
West Virginia	3	195	65.0	3
Totals	66	4,118	62.4	49

2024: North Carolina

KICKOFFS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TB
Minnesota	6	379	63.2	5
Charlotte	7	455	65.0	7
NC Central	7	448	64.0	1
Totals	20	1,282	64.1	13

2025: Charlotte

OPPONENT	PATs	FGs	LG	PTS
App State	0-0	1-1	42	3
North Carolina	0-0	1-2	39	3
Monmouth	6-6	0-0	-	6
Rice	0-0	3-4	40	9
USF	1-1	1-1	33	4
Army West Point	1-1	0-0	-	1
Temple	2-2	0-0	-	2
North Texas	2-2	2-2	24	8
East Carolina	2-2	0-0	-	2
UTSA	1-1	0-0	-	1
Georgia	0-0	1-1	42	3
Tulane	0-0	0-1	-	0
Totals	15-15	9-12	42	42

KICKOFFS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TB
App State	3	195	65.0	2
North Carolina	2	130	65.0	1
Monmouth	7	455	65.0	7
Rice	5	325	65.0	5
USF	4	195	48.8	3
Army West Point	2	130	65.0	2
Temple	3	183	61.0	2
North Texas	5	324	64.8	3
East Carolina	4	235	58.8	2
UTSA	2	127	63.5	1
Georgia	1	65	65.0	1
Tulane	1	0	0.0	0
Totals	39	2,364	60.6	29

2026: Michigan State

OPPONENT	PATs	FGs	LG	PTS
Toledo	1-1	5-6	51	16
Eastern Michigan	5-5	0-0	--	5
Totals	6-6	5-6	51	21

KICKOFFS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TB
Toledo	7	455	65.0	6
Eastern Michigan	6	382	63.7	4
Totals	13	837	64.4	10



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CHARLES
BRANTLEY

SARASOTA, FLA.
VENICE HS
MICHIGAN STATE (2021-24)
MIAMI (FLA.) (2025)

GR-6 | CB 6-0 | 170 | 3L/TR

CAREER NOTES: Transfer from Miami is returning for his sixth season of college football at Michigan State . . . spent the first four years of his college career (2021-24) at MSU before transferring to Miami for the 2025 season . . . has played in 36 career games with 109 tackles . . . earned three letters with the Spartans (2021, 2022, 2024) . . . played in 33 total games at MSU, including 25 starts (31 games with 24 starts from 2021-24; two games with one start in 2026) . . . has 23 passes defended with 18 pass break-ups and five interceptions, with two interception returns for a TD, with 140 interception return yards, boosted by his school-record 100-yard INT return for a TD vs. Prairie View A&M on Sept. 14, 2024 . . . has 109 tackles in his Spartan career (103 from 2021-24; 5 in 2026), including 4.5 tackles for loss (16 yards) and 1.0 sack (8 yards), with five INTs, one forced fumble and one fumble recovery . . . earned his undergraduate degree from Miami.

2026 SEASON (GRADUATE SENIOR): Has played in both games with one start, logging five tackles, with one forced fumble and one fumble recovery, in 52 snaps . . . tallied three tackles along with first forced fumble and fumble recovery of his carer in logging 32 snaps in Eastern Michigan game, earning the Spartan Defensive Playmaker of the Game team award . . . returned to Spartan Stadium in starting Toledo game at cornerback, tallying one tackle, in charting 20 snaps.

BRANTLEY'S CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 10^, vs. Western Michigan (9/2/22)

Tackles For Loss: 1.0^, twice (last vs. Central Michigan, 9/1/23)

Sacks: 1.0^, vs. Wisconsin (10/15/22)

Interception: 1^, twice (last vs. Ohio State, 10/8/22)

Interception Return For TD: 1^, vs. Ohio State (10/8/22)

Pass Break-Up: 3^, vs. Akron (9/10/22)

Forced Fumble: 1, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12/26)

Fumble Recovery: 1, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12/26)

BRANTLEY'S STATISTICS

	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2021 ^	8/1	15	3	18	0-0	0-0	1-7	4	0-0	0
2022 ^	11/11	22	26	48	2.0-12	1.0-8	1-32	6	0-0	0
2023 ^	3/3	5	5	10	1.0-3	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
2024 ^	9/9	19	8	27	1.5-1	0-0	3-101	7	0-0	0
2025 *	3/0	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2026 #	2/2	1	4	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1-0	1
MSU Totals	33/25	62	46	108	4.5-16	1.0-8	5-140	18	1-0	1
Career	36/25	63	46	109	4.5-16	1.0-8	5-140	18	1-0	1

^ at Michigan State | * at Miami (Fla.) | # at Michigan State

BRANTLEY'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2021

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Northwestern	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Youngstown State	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Miami	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Nebraska	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Western Kentucky	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Rutgers					-DNP-				
Indiana	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Michigan	4	0	4	0-0	0-0	1-7	0	0-0	0
Purdue	2	3	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0-0	0
Maryland					-DNP-INJURED-				
Ohio State					-DNP-INJURED-				
Penn State					-DNP-INJURED-				
Pittsburgh					-DNP-INJURED-				
Totals	15	3	18	0-0	0-0	1-7	4	0-0	0

2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



BRANTLEY'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS {CONT'D}

2022										
DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF	
Western Michigan	6	4	10	0.5-3	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0	
Akron	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	3	0-0	0	
Washington	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	
Minnesota	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	
Maryland	3	2	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	
Ohio State	3	5	8	0.5-1	0-0	1-32	0	0-0	0	
Wisconsin	2	2	4	1.0-8	1.0-8	0-0	1	0-0	0	
Michigan	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0	
Illinois	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	
Rutgers	1	4	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	
Indiana	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	
Penn State					-DNP-INJURED-					
Totals	22	26	48	2.0-12	1.0-8	1-32	6	0-0	0	

2023										
DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF	
Central Michigan	2	2	4	1.0-3	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0	
Richmond	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	
Washington	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	
Maryland					-DNP-INJURED-					
Iowa					-DNP-INJURED-					
Rutgers					-DNP-INJURED-					
Michigan					-DNP-INJURED-					
Minnesota					-DNP-INJURED-					
Nebraska					-DNP-INJURED-					
Ohio State					-DNP-INJURED-					
Indiana					-DNP-INJURED-					
Penn State					-DNP-INJURED-					
Totals	5	5	10	1.0-3	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0	

2024										
DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF	
Florida Atlantic	1	1	2	0.5-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0	
Maryland	3	1	4	1-1	0-0	1-0	1	0-0	0	
Prairie View A&M	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	1-100	1	0-0	0	
Boston College	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0	
Ohio State	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0	
Oregon	5	4	9	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0-0	0	
Iowa	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	
Michigan	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	
Indiana	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0-0	0	
Illinois					-DNP-INJURED-					
Purdue					-DNP-INJURED-					
Rutgers					-DNP-INJURED-					
Totals	19	8	27	1.5-1	0-0	3-101	7	0-0	0	

2026										
DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF	
Toledo	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	
Eastern Michigan	1	3	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1-0	1	
Totals	1	3	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1-0	1	



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RODNEY BULLARD JR.
 ALBANY, GA.
 WESTOVER HS
 VALDOSTA STATE (2022-24)
 GR-5 | WR 6-0 | 186 | 1L

CAREER NOTES: Graduate senior has played in 42 collegiate games the past four seasons (2023-26) . . . has played in 14 games at Michigan State (played in all 12 games at Michigan State in 2025 after transferring to MSU in January 2025; played in two games in 2026) with 25 starts (had nine starts in 2023; 13 starts in 2024; one start in 2025 and two starts in 2026) . . . was extremely productive for two seasons (2023-24) at Division II Valdosta State, catching 86 passes for 1,567 yards and 19 touchdowns in 28 games for the Blazers . . . has 101 career receptions for 1,802 yards and 21 touchdowns . . . ranks No. 55 in the NCAA for receiving yards (1,802) among all active receivers at all levels . . . has accounted for 2,224 all-purpose yards in his career, on 1,802 receiving, 433 kick return, 15 rushing yards (had 1,567 receiving, 433 kick return, 9 rushing at Valdosta State; has 12 catches for 209 yards and two rushes for 6 yards at MSU) in his collegiate career . . . has 22 career touchdowns (19 receiving and one kick return at Valdosta State; has two receiving TDs and one rushing TD at MSU) . . . transferred to MSU in January 2025 and competed in spring practice; currently pursuing his master's degree in sports administration . . . graduated from Valdosta State in December 2023 with a degree in interdisciplinary studies.

2026 SEASON (GRADUATE SENIOR): Ranks tied for 14th in the B1G and tied for 66th in the FBS in receptions/game (5.0), along with tied for 17th in the league and tied for 81st in the nation in receptions (10), tied for 21st in the conference in receiving yards (116), 43rd in the B1G in receiving yards/catch (11.6), in addition to tied for 15th in the league in receiving TD (1) . . . leads MSU with 116 receiving yards, while sharing the team lead with 10 catches (11.6 ypc/58.0 ypg), with one TD . . . the 116 yards through two games is only three yards shy of his season output last season in 12 games . . . 8-of-10 catches have gone for first down or touchdown . . . started Eastern Michigan game and snared three catches for 26 yards . . . 2-of-3 receptions went for first downs . . . started season-opener vs. Toledo and snared a team-high 90 yards on seven catches with one TD and added a 2-point conversion . . . the seven catches was the most during his Spartan career and tied his second-most in his career with seven during his Valdosta State career, which came vs. West Georgia on Nov. 11, 2023, and only trailing his collegiate career-high of 11 catches which came two games later vs. Delta State in the Division II playoffs on Nov. 25, 2023 . . . the seven catches topped his previous MSU high of four catches at Minnesota on Nov. 1, 2025, and the TD was only his second scoring reception as a Spartan, also with one at Minnesota . . . 6-of-7 catches went for first down or touchdown . . . earned the Spartan Player of the Game award for the offense.

BULLARD'S CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 11[^], vs. Delta State (11/25/23)
 Receiving Yards: 158[^], vs. Virginia Union (12/7/24)
 Long Reception: 84[^], vs. Delta State (11/9/24)
 TD Receptions: 3[^], twice (last vs. Virginia Union, 12/7/24)
 Rushing TD: 1[#], vs. Youngstown State (9/13/25)
 Kick Return Yards: 131[^], vs. West Georgia (11/11/23)
 Long Kick Return: 99[^], vs. West Georgia (11/11/23)

BULLARD'S STATISTICS

RECEIVING	G/GS	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2023 ^	14/9	44	566	12.9	7	48	40.4
2024 ^	14/13	42	1,001	23.8	12	84	71.5
2025 #	12/1	5	119	23.8	1	71	9.9
2026 #	2/2	10	116	11.6	1	26	58.0
MSU Totals	14/14	15	235	15.7	2	71	16.8
Career	42/25	101	1,802	17.8	21	84	42.9



2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

RUSHING	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2023 ^	1	7	7.0	0	7	0.5
2024 ^	1	2	2.0	0	2	0.1
2025 #	2	6	3.0	1	8	0.5
2026 #	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
MSU Totals	2	6	3.0	1	8	0.5
Career	4	15	3.8	1	8	0.4

KICK RETURNS	ATT	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG
2023 ^	16	397	24.8	1	99
2024 ^	1	36	36.0	0	36
2025 #	0	0	0.0	0	0
2026 #	0	0	0.0	0	0
MSU Totals	0	0	0.0	0	0
Career	17	433	25.5	1	99

ALL PURPOSE RUSH	REC	PR	KR	TOTAL	YPG
2023 ^	7	566	0	397	69.3
2024 ^	2	1,001	0	36	1,039
2025 #	6	119	0	0	125
2026 #	0	116	0	0	116
MSU Totals	6	235	0	0	241
Totals	15	1,802	0	433	2,250

^ at Valdosta State | # = at Michigan State

BULLARD'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2023: Valdosta State

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Point University	1	44	0	44
Albany State (GA)	2	28	0	15
Keiser	3	36	1	21
North Greenville	1	12	0	12
Chowan	4	71	1	36
Delta State	1	12	0	12
Mississippi College	2	24	0	18
Shorter	0	0	0	0
West Florida	0	0	0	0
West Alabama	6	108	1	48
West Georgia	7	86	1	1
Limestone	5	52	2	18
Delta State	11	93	1	16
Lenoir-Rhyne	1	0	0	0
Total	43	566	7	48

2024: Valdosta State

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Albany State (GA)	4	100	2	41
Newberry	4	30	0	11
Fayetteville State	3	77	0	45
Erksine	3	114	3	75
Shorter	4	57	0	24
North Greenville	4	50	0	17
Mississippi College	1	56	1	56
Chowan	2	87	1	69
Delta State	3	121	1	84
West Florida	3	74	1	50
Miles	3	62	0	33
Virginia Union	5	158	3	47
Minnesota State	0	0	0	0
Ferris State	3	15	0	8
Total	42	1,001	12	84

2025: Michigan State

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Western Michigan	0	0	0	0
Boston College	0	0	0	0
Youngstown State	1	17	0	17
USC	0	0	0	0
Nebraska	0	0	0	0
UCLA	0	0	0	0
Indiana	0	0	0	0
Michigan	0	0	0	0
Minnesota	4	102	1	71
Penn State	0	0	0	0
Iowa	0	0	0	0
Maryland	0	0	0	0
Totals	5	119	1	71

2025: Michigan State

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Western Michigan	0	0	0	0
Boston College	1	-2	0	-2
Youngstown State	1	8	1	8
USC	0	0	0	0
Nebraska	0	0	0	0
UCLA	0	0	0	0
Indiana	0	0	0	0
Michigan	0	0	0	0
Minnesota	0	0	0	0
Penn State	0	0	0	0
Iowa	0	0	0	0
Maryland	0	0	0	0
Totals	2	6	1	8

2026: Michigan State

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo	7	90	1	26
Eastern Michigan	3	26	0	17
Totals	10	116	1	26

2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



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TYRAN CHAPPELL

DALLAS, TEXAS
RYAN HS
HOUSTON CHRISTIAN (2024-25)

R-SO | CB 6-3 | 170 | TR



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ELI COENEN

BALDWIN, WIS.
BALDWIN-WOODVILLE HS
BEMIDJI STATE (2023-24)
ILLINOIS (2025)

R-JR | DL 6-7 | 290 | TR

CAREER NOTES: Transfer cornerback from Houston Christian University has three seasons of eligibility remaining . . . played in 16 career games (played 14 games at HCU; two games at MSU) . . . has 33 career tackles, four interceptions and eight pass break-ups (had 29 tackles, four interceptions and seven pass break-ups at HCU; has four tackles and one pass break-up at MSU) . . . enrolled at Michigan State in January 2026 for the spring semester.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT SOPHOMORE): Has played in both games, logging four tackles in 73 snaps . . . notched two tackles in Eastern Michigan game, posting 43 snaps . . . made Spartan debut in Toledo game and tallied two tackles and one pass break-up in charting 30 snaps.

CHAPPELL'S CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 7, vs. Northern Colorado (9/20/25)

Tackles For Loss: 1, twice (last vs. Nicholls, 11/1/25)

Pass Break-Ups: 2, vs. Southeastern Louisiana (10/25/25)

CHAPPELL'S STATISTICS

	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2024 ^	3/0	0	2	2	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2025 ^	11/10	14	13	27	2-3	0-0	4-82	7	0-0	0
2026 #	2/0	0	4	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	1
Career	16/10	14	19	33	2.5-4	0-0	4-82	8	0-0	0

^ at Houston Christian | # at Michigan State

CHAPPELL'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2024: Houston Christian

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
SMU	0	2	2	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
La. Christian	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
UTSA	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	0	2	2	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0

2025: Houston Christian

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Arkansas Baptist	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	1-0	1	0-0	0
Eastern Kentucky	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Nebraska	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Northern Colorado	2	5	7	1-2	0-0	1-82	0	0-0	0
UTRGV	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Northwestern St.	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
McNeese	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	1-0	0	0-0	0
Southeastern La.	0	3	3	0-0	0-0	1-0	2	0-0	0
Nicholls	3	1	4	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
SFA	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
East Texas A&M	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0-0	0
Totals	14	13	27	2-3	0-0	4-82	7	0-0	0

2026: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Toledo	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Eastern Michigan	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	0	4	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0

CAREER NOTES: Transfer defensive lineman from Illinois has two seasons of eligibility remaining . . . played two seasons at Bemidji State (2023-24) and one season at Illinois (2025) . . . has played in 30 career games (played 15 games at Bemidji State; played 13 games at Illinois; played two games at MSU) . . . has streak of at least 1.0 sack in three-straight games dating back to 2025 Music City Bowl while at Illinois and first two games as a Spartan this season . . . enrolled at Michigan State in January 2026 for the spring semester and competed in spring practice.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT JUNIOR): Tops the B1G in sacks (3.0), sack yards (22) and sacks/game (1.5), while ranking tied for fifth in the FBS in sacks, tied for 14th in sack yards and tied for fourth in sacks/game . . . also leads the league in tackles for loss yards (22), while ranking tied for fourth in B1G in tackles for loss (3.0) and tied for third in TFL/game (1.5), ranking tied for 30th in the FBS in TFL, tied for 19th in TFL yards and tied for 26th in TFL/game . . . has at least 1.0 TFL on 1.0 sack in each of the first two games . . . has seven total tackles with 3.0 tackles for loss and 3.0 sacks, adding one pass break-up and two QB hurries, in 64 tackles . . . has earned the Spartan Defensive Player of the Game team award in first two games . . . posted 2.0 tackles for loss on 2.0 sacks in Eastern Michigan game, recording the most of his Division I career and tied collegiate career-high of 2.0 sacks during the 2024 season while at Division II Bemidji State in a contest vs. Western Colorado (11/30/24) . . . finished with four total stops, which tied collegiate career high for third time in career, and added one QB hurry in charting 31 defensive snaps, earning the Spartan Defensive Player of the Game team award for the second-straight week . . . started Toledo game at defensive tackle and tallied three tackles with 1.0 tackles for loss, coming on a sack, adding one pass break-up and a QB hurry, while charting 33 snaps, earning the Spartan Defensive Player of the Game team award.

COENEN'S CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 4^#, three times (last vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/12/26)

Tackles For Loss: 2.5^, vs. Western Colorado (11/30/24)

Sacks: 2.0^, vs. Western Colorado (11/30/24)

Pass Break-Ups: 1^, vs. Western Colorado (11/30/24)

COENEN'S STATISTICS

	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2023 ^	2/0	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2024 ^	13/1	10	10	20	5.5-19	2-12	0-0	1	1-0	0
2025 *	13/0	5	7	12	1.5-8	1.5-8	0-0	0	0-0	0
2026 #	2/2	3	4	7	3.0-22	3.0-22	0-0	1	0-0	0
Career	30/3	18	23	41	10.0-49	6.5-41	0-0	2	1-0	0

^ at Bemidji State | * at Illinois | # at Michigan State



2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

COENEN'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2023: Bemidji State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Mary	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Concordia-St. Paul	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0

2024: Bemidji State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Minnesota State	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
SW Minnesota St.	1	0	1	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Sioux Falls	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Mary	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Northern State	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Minot State	1	3	4	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	0	1-3	0
Winona State	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Wayne State (NE)	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
MSU Moorhead	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Augustana (SD)	3	1	4	1.5-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Angelo State	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Western Colorado	1	3	4	2.5-13	2-12	0-0	1	0-0	0
Minnesota State	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	10	10	20	5.5-19	2-12	0-0	1	1-3	0

2025: Illinois

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Western Illinois	1	1	2	0.5-2	0.5-2	0-0	0	0-0	0
Duke	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Western Michigan	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Indiana	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
USC	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Purdue	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Ohio State	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Washington	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Rutgers	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Maryland	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Wisconsin	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Northwestern	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Tennessee	2	2	4	1-6	1-6	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	5	7	12	1.5-8	1.5-8	0-0	0	0-0	0

2026: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Western Illinois	2	1	3	1.0-11	1.0-11	0-0	1	0-0	0
Eastern Michigan	1	3	4	2.0-11	2.0-11	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	3	4	7	3.0-22	3.0-22	0-0	1	0-0	0



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JAY COYNE

NEW YORK, N.Y.
IMG ACADEMY

GR-5 | FB 6-1 | 230 | 3L

CAREER NOTES: Fifth-year senior and three-year letterwinner made the position switch to fullback in 2024 after spending his first two seasons on defense as a defensive end . . . has played in 29 games (three in 2023, 12 in 2024, 12 in 2025; two in 2026) . . . has three career catches for 23 yards and one TD . . . three-time Academic All-Big Ten honoree.

COYNE'S CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 1, three times (last vs. Iowa, 11/22/25)

Receiving TD: 1, vs. Boston College (9/6/25)

Receiving Yards: 12, vs. Prairie View A&M (9/14/24)

COYNE'S STATISTICS

RECEIVING	G/GS	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2023	4/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2024	12/0	1	12	12.0	0	12	1.0
2025	11/0	2	11	5.5	1	5	0.9
2026	2/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Career	29/0	3	23	7.7	1	12	0.8

2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



CAREER NOTES: One of the top punters in the nation his first two seasons at Iowa (2024-25) . . . transferred to Michigan State in January 2026 . . . averaging 44.0 yards per punt (109 punts for 4,800 yards) in his career, including 49 punts inside the 20 (45 percent) with 27 punts of 50-plus yards . . . ranks No. 15 among all active NCAA punters and No. 9 in FBS in punt average, as well as ranking No. 69 among all active NCAA punters and No. 28 among active FBS punters in total yards, and also No. 83 and No. 28 in FBS in total punts . . . second-team preseason All-Big Ten selection by Phil Steele and Athlon Sports . . . named a FWAA Freshman All-American at Iowa, and also named to the PFF All-True Freshman team . . . additionally, earned All-Big Ten honors (second team, media and Associated Press; third team, coaches and Phil Steele) as a freshman . . . was an honorable mention All-Big Ten choice by the media as a sophomore . . . has experience in Australian rules football and basketball.

2026 SEASON (JUNIOR): Would rank second in the B1G in punting average at 48.3 ypp, but doesn't reach the minimum of 3.5 punts per game to qualify, only punting three times for 145 yards, with two inside the 20 and both going inside the 10, with a long of 59 yards . . . voted a team captain by his teammates . . . handles punting duties along with holder on field goals and PATs, making his collegiate debut as a holder this season . . . had a season-long 59-yard punt in Eastern Michigan game, which came on his first punt of the day on MSU's opening possession of the game . . . it was longest punt as a Spartan and the 27th 50+ yarder of his collegiate career with 26 during his two seasons at Iowa . . . the 59-yarder was the fourth-longest of his career, behind career-long of 65 yards, along with two punts of 61 yards during time at Iowa . . . the 59-yard punt was downed at the EMU 3-yardline, marking second punt inside the 10 this season . . . also holder for five successful PAT attempts . . . made his Spartan debut in Toledo game as holder on placekicker Ethan Boyd's five field goals and one PAT, as well as punting one time on the night, a 44-yarder in the third quarter, pinning Toledo at the 8-yard line, the first time that the Rockets started their offensive drive inside their own 25, and only one of two of their 10 drives all night and the only one inside the 20.

DAKIN'S CAREER HIGHS

Punts: 9[^], twice (last vs. Nebraska, 11/29/24)
 Punting Yards: 364[^], vs. Nebraska (11/29/24)
 Punting Avg. (Min. 4): 49.6[^], vs. Minnesota (9/21/24)
 Punts Of 50+: 3[^], twice (last vs. Ohio State, 10/5/24)
 Punts Inside 20: 4[^], vs. Northwestern (10/26/24)
 Longest Punt: 65[^], vs. Iowa State (9/6/25)

DAKIN'S STATISTICS

PUNTING	G	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	LG	I20	I10	50+
2024 [^]	13	64	2,822	44.1	61	29	11	16
2025 [^]	13	42	1,833	43.6	65	18	1	10
2026 #	2	3	145	48.3	59	2	2	1
Career	28	109	4,800	44.0	65	49	14	27

[^] at Iowa | # at Michigan State

DAKIN'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

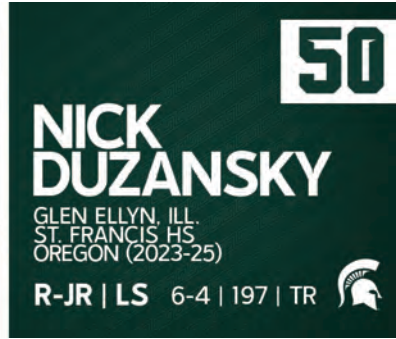
2024: Iowa								
PUNTING	NO.	YDS	AVG	LG	I20	I10	50+	
Illinois State	5	196	39.2	46	3	0	0	
Iowa State	9	363	40.3	49	3	2	0	
Troy	4	197	49.3	52	1	0	3	
Minnesota	5	248	49.6	55	3	0	3	
Ohio State	5	219	43.8	55	2	0	1	
Washington	2	116	58.0	61	2	0	2	
Michigan State	4	184	46.0	49	2	0	0	
Northwestern	8	358	44.8	52	4	4	2	
Wisconsin	3	160	53.3	57	1	1	2	
UCLA	3	117	39.0	50	1	0	0	
Maryland	3	132	44.0	53	2	1	1	
Nebraska	9	364	40.4	54	3	2	1	
Missouri	4	168	42.0	47	2	1	0	
Total	64	2,822	44.1	61	29	11	16	

2025: Iowa								
PUNTING	NO.	YDS	AVG	LG	I20	I10	50+	
Albany	2	100	50.0	53	0	0	1	
Iowa State	5	235	47.0	65	1	0	2	
Massachusetts	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	
Rutgers	3	138	46.0	54	1	0	1	
Indiana	3	114	38.0	47	3	1	0	
Wisconsin	4	155	38.8	42	2	0	0	
Penn State	2	115	57.5	61	1	0	2	
Minnesota	5	192	38.4	46	1	0	0	
Oregon	3	120	40.0	48	1	0	0	
USC	3	105	35.0	43	2	0	0	
Michigan State	6	260	43.3	53	2	0	1	
Nebraska	3	152	50.7	53	2	0	2	
Vanderbilt	3	147	49.0	51	2	0	1	
Totals	42	1,833	43.6	65	18	1	10	

2026: Michigan State								
PUNTING	NO.	YDS	AVG	LG	I20	I10	50+	
Toledo	1	44	44.0	44	1	1	0	
Eastern Michigan	2	101	50.5	59	1	1	1	
Totals	3	145	48.3	59	2	2	1	

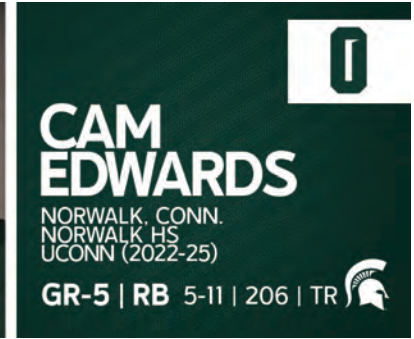


2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



CAREER NOTES: Transfer long snapper from Oregon . . . two-time Academic All-Big Ten selection . . . enrolled at Michigan State in January 2026 for the spring semester . . . former high school teammate of quarterback Alessio Milivojevic, playing tight end and defensive end at St. Francis HS.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT JUNIOR): Has handled all of MSU's snapping duties in two games, six field goal attempts, six PATs and three punts . . . successfully snapped five PATs and three punts in Eastern Michigan game . . . made Spartan debut in Toledo game and snapped on six field goal attempts, one PAT and one punt.



- Maxwell Award Player of the Year Watch List
- Doak Walker Award Watch List
- Shrine Bowl 1000 List

CAREER NOTES: Transfer running back played the last four seasons (2022-25) at UConn . . . enrolled at Michigan State in January 2026 for the spring semester . . . named to the Maxwell Award Player of the Year Watch List and the Doak Walker Award Watch List . . . featured on the Shrine Bowl 1000 List as one of the top NFL Draft eligible players entering the 2026 season . . . productive running back finished his UConn career ranked in the school record book in yards per attempt (tied for first at 5.6), rushing yards (fifth with 2,690), rushing touchdowns (fifth with 27) and carries (ninth with 467) . . . has rushed for 2,940 yards on 528 carries with 30 touchdowns (rushed for 2,690 yards on 480 carries with 27 touchdowns at UConn; has rushed for 250 yards on 48 carries with three TDs at MSU) . . . ranks No. 13 among all active NCAA players and No. 4 among active FBS players in rushing yards (2,940) . . . ranks No. 28 among all active NCAA players and No. 5 among active FBS players in rushing TDs (30) . . . also ranks 26th among all active NCAA players and No. 3 among active FBS players in all-purpose yards (3,419) . . . has played in 38 career games, including 25 starts (played in 36 career games, including 23 starts at UConn; has played in two games with two starts at MSU) . . . also has 50 receptions for 479 yards and four TD catches (had 47 receptions for 467 yards and four TD catches at UConn; has three catches for 12 yards at MSU) . . . has 10 career 100-yard rushing games (had nine at UConn; has one at MSU) . . . has four 100-yard outings in last five games, ending the 2025 season with three-straight before the streak came to an end with 98 yards in Spartan debut in 2026 season opener vs. Toledo, but back on track with 152 yards in Week 2 vs. Eastern Michigan . . . has three career outings of 150+ yards, led by career-high 194 yards vs. Ball State (9/20/25), followed by 165 yards vs. Air Force (11/15/25) and 152 yards vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12/26) . . . led UConn in rushing three seasons in a row (2023-25).

2025 SEASON (REDSHIRT SENIOR): Leads the B1G and ranks tied for fifth in the FBS in rushing yards/game (125.0), also topping the league and ranking seventh in the nation in total rushing yards (250), ranking tied for third in the conference and tied for 11th in the country in rushing TDs (3), along with tied for topping the B1G and ranking tied for fifth in the FBS in rushing attempts (48) and also leading the league and ranking second in the nation in rushing attempts/game (24.0) . . . also 20th in the B1G and just outside the top 100 in the FBS in rushing yards/carry (5.21) . . . additionally tied for 13th in the B1G in points (18) and tied for 14th in points/game (9.0) . . . started Eastern Michigan game in the offensive backfield and posted 152 rushing yards on 21 carries and two TDs, to become MSU's first running back with 150+ rushing yards in game since Kenneth Walker III had 197 yards vs. Michigan on Oct. 30, 2021 . . . the 21 carries was second-straight outing as a Spartan with 20+ rushing attempts after a career-high 27 last time out vs. Toledo . . . the 152-yard rushing outing was first 100-yard outing as a Spartan and the 10th 100-yard rushing outing of his collegiate career after nine during three seasons at UConn . . . added one catch for 5 yards . . . made Spartan debut in Toledo game with game-highs of 27 carries for 98 yards and one TD, scoring on MSU's opening possession . . . the 27 carries was a collegiate career-high, topping previous top mark of 24 carries done twice during career at UConn, most recently vs. Air Force on Nov. 15, 2025 . . . the 27 carries was seventh career game with 20+ rushing attempts . . . added two catches for 7 yards, while logging 51 snaps.

C. EDWARDS' CAREER HIGHS

Rushing Attempts: 27#, vs. Toledo (9/4/26)
Rushing Yards: 194^, vs. Ball State (9/20/25)
Rushing TD: 2^#, six times (last vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/12/26)
Longest Rush: 73^, vs. Central Connecticut State (8/30/25)
Receptions: 5^, vs. FAU (11/22/25)
Receiving Yards: 50^, vs. Merrimack (9/7/24)
Longest Reception: 50^, vs. Merrimack (9/7/24)

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C. EDWARDS' STATISTICS

RUSHING	G/GS	ATT	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2022 ^	1/0	1	2	2.0	2	2	2.0
2023 ^	9/5	123	618	5.0	4	39	68.7
2024 ^	13/7	146	830	5.7	8	71	63.8
2025 ^	13/11	210	1,240	5.9	15	73	95.4
2026 #	2/2	48	250	5.2	3	40	125.0
Career	38/25	528	2,940	5.6	30	73	77.4

RECEIVING	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2022 ^	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2023 ^	15	132	8.8	1	26	14.7
2024 ^	13	148	11.4	2	50	11.4
2025 ^	19	187	9.8	1	34	14.4
2026 #	3	12	4.0	0	7	6.0
Career	50	479	9.6	4	50	12.6

ALL PURPOSE	RUSH	REC	PR	KR	TOTAL	YPG
2022 ^	2	0	0	0	2	2.0
2023 ^	618	132	0	0	750	83.3
2024 ^	830	148	0	0	978	75.2
2025 ^	1,240	187	0	0	1,427	109.8
2026 #	250	12	0	0	262	131.0
Totals	1,940	479	0	0	3,419	90.0

^ at UConn | # at Michigan State

C. EDWARDS' GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2023: Connecticut

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Duke	13	43	0	9
Utah State	13	73	0	15
Rice	7	8	0	5
USF	22	149	1	39
Boston College	16	89	1	30
Tennessee	9	21	0	11
James Madison	12	43	0	14
Sacred Heart	12	90	0	17
Massachusetts	19	102	2	20
Totals	123	618	4	39

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Duke	1	5	0	5
Utah State	1	6	0	6
Rice	0	0	0	0
USF	4	15	1	6
Boston College	2	35	0	26
Tennessee	2	26	0	17
James Madison	2	21	0	20
Sacred Heart	2	18	0	17
Massachusetts	1	6	0	6
Totals	15	132	1	26

2024: Connecticut

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Maryland	5	32	0	16
Merrimack	6	15	1	5
Duke	21	106	1	16
FAU	7	30	0	9
Buffalo	10	97	1	43
Temple	15	40	0	11
Wake Forest	7	26	0	15
Rice	8	11	1	4
Georgia State	13	88	0	46
UAB	11	82	1	48
Syracuse	8	87	1	71
Massachusetts	18	142	1	35
North Carolina	17	74	1	13
Totals	146	830	8	71

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Maryland	1	10	0	10
Merrimack	1	50	1	50
Duke	1	26	0	26
FAU	0	0	0	0
Buffalo	1	2	0	2
Temple	2	17	0	12
Wake Forest	3	25	0	12
Rice	0	0	0	0
Georgia State	0	0	0	0
UAB	0	0	0	0
Syracuse	3	15	0	7
Massachusetts	1	3	1	3
North Carolina	0	0	0	0
Totals	13	148	2	50

2025: Connecticut

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Central Conn. St.	6	115	1	73
Syracuse	21	75	0	25
Delaware	23	116	2	51
Ball State	24	194	2	67
Buffalo	15	57	1	12
FIU	12	80	1	25
Boston College	12	57	0	12
Rice	16	59	1	12
UAB	15	62	1	10
Duke	15	51	1	12
Air Force	24	165	2	36
FAU	16	101	2	23
Army West Point	11	108	1	34
Totals	210	1,240	15	73

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Central Conn. St.	0	0	0	0
Syracuse	2	46	0	34
Delaware	0	0	0	0
Ball State	0	0	0	0
Buffalo	2	10	0	11
FIU	0	0	0	0
Boston College	2	11	0	6
Rice	3	24	1	12
UAB	0	0	0	0
Duke	4	42	0	18
Air Force	1	9	0	9
FAU	5	45	0	29
Army West Point	0	0	0	0
Totals	19	187	1	34

2026: Michigan State

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo	27	98	1	17
Eastern Michigan	21	152	2	40
Totals	480	250	3	40

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo	2	7	0	7
Eastern Michigan	1	5	0	5
Totals	3	12	0	7



2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



CAM FANCHER
DAYTON, OHIO
WAYNE HS
MARSHALL (2021-23)
FAU (2024)
UCF (2025)
GR-6 | QB 6-0 | 205 | TR

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CAREER NOTES: Granted a sixth year of eligibility from the NCAA after playing in only three games in 2025 at UCF due to injuries . . . enrolled at Michigan State in January 2026 for the spring semester . . . has played in 39 career games, including 29 (15-14 record), over the course of six seasons (25 at Marshall from 2021-23; nine at Florida Atlantic in 2024; three at UCF in 2025; two at MSU in 2026) . . . has thrown for 5,671 yards and 27 touchdowns while completing 61 percent of his passes (509-for-840) . . . has five 300-yard passing games . . . has rushed for 1,303 yards with nine TDs in his career . . . has compiled a total of 6,974 yards of total offense in his career (5,671 passing; 1,303 rushing) for an average of 178.8 yards per game . . . earned his undergraduate degree from UCF.

2026 SEASON (GRADUATE SENIOR): Has played in both games, logging 6-of-6 passing for 44 yards and rushing three times for 11 yards, in charting 19 offensive snaps . . . was 6-for-6 passing for 44 yards and had two rushes for 8 yards in 18 snaps in Eastern Michigan game . . . made Spartan debut in Toledo game, coming on for one play and rushing for 3 yards.

FANCHER'S CAREER HIGHS

- Pass Completions: 29, twice (last vs. NC State, 10/7/23)
- Pass Attempts: 51^, vs. NC State (10/7/23)
- Passing Yards: 351#, vs. North Texas (10/12/24)
- Passing TDs: 3, twice (last vs. North Texas, 10/12/24)
- Completion Percentage (min. 10 att.): .800 (28-35)^, vs. Albany (9/2/23)
- Rush Attempts: 25#, vs. Michigan State (8/30/24)
- Rushing Yards: 136^, vs. Old Dominion (11/5/22)
- Rushing TDs: 2, three times (last vs. UTSA, 10/9/24)
- Total Offense: 420#, vs. North Texas (10/12/24)
- Longest Pass Play: 71^, vs. App State (11/12/22)
- Longest Rush Play: 76#, vs. UTSA (10/19/24)

FANCHER'S STATISTICS

PASSING	G/GS	COMP	ATT	INT	PCT	YDS	YPG	TD	LG	Effic.
2021 ^	2/0	3	6	0	.500	46	23.0	0	17	114.4
2022 ^	13/7	131	235	6	.557	1,558	119.8	10	71	120.4
2023 ^	10/10	202	309	11	.654	2,162	216.2	11	65	128.8
2024 %	9/9	126	212	6	.594	1,528	169.8	6	71	123.7
2025 *	3/2	41	72	0	.569	333	111.0	0	30	95.8
2026 #	2/0	6	6	0	1.000	44	22.0	0	17	161.1
Totals	39/28	509	840	23	.606	5,671	145.4	27	71	122.4

RUSHING	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2021 ^	5	18	3.6	0	10	9.0
2022 ^	107	466	4.4	1	41	35.8
2023 ^	120	273	2.3	4	63	27.3
2024 %	99	365	3.7	3	76	40.6
2025 *	31	170	5.5	1	25	56.7
2026 #	3	11	3.7	0	5	5.5
Totals	365	1,303	3.6	9	76	33.4

^ at Marshall | % at FAU | * at UCF | # at Michigan State

FANCHER'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2021: Marshall							
PASSING	COMP	ATT	INT	PCT	YDS	TD	LG
NC Central	2	3	0	.667	32	0	17
FIU	1	3	0	.333	14	0	14
Totals	3	6	0	.500	46	0	17

2021: Marshall				
RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
NC Central	2	15	0	10
FIU	3	3	0	6
Totals	5	18	0	10

2022: Marshall							
PASSING	COMP	ATT	INT	PCT	YDS	TD	LG
Norfolk State	2	3	0	.667	27	1	15
Notre Dame	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0
Bowling Green	3	4	0	.750	18	0	14
Troy	3	7	0	.429	29	0	21
Gardner-Webb	8	13	0	.615	47	0	27
Louisiana	7	9	0	.778	69	0	21
James Madison	15	31	2	.484	159	1	57
Coastal Carolina	19	36	0	.528	320	0	61
Old Dominion	13	25	2	.520	89	0	12
App State	16	28	1	.571	225	2	71
Georgia Southern	17	32	0	.531	274	2	65
UConn	10	20	1	.500	92	2	34
Totals	131	235	6	.557	1,558	10	71

2022: Marshall				
RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Norfolk State	3	60	0	32
Notre Dame	3	12	0	7
Bowling Green	2	24	0	17
Troy	7	-3	0	10
Gardner-Webb	5	29	0	19
Louisiana	5	10	0	10
James Madison	9	22	0	11
Coastal Carolina	13	-3	0	17
Old Dominion	18	136	0	41
App State	12	37	0	17
Georgia Southern	14	63	1	19
Georgia State	10	69	0	23
UConn	6	10	0	12
Totals	107	466	1	41

2023: Marshall							
PASSING	COMP	ATT	INT	PCT	YDS	TD	LG
Albany	28	35	1	.800	268	1	27
East Carolina	15	28	0	.536	178	0	30
Virginia Tech	16	27	2	.593	166	1	35
Old Dominion	29	35	1	.829	278	2	40
NC State	29	51	1	.569	315	2	31
Georgia State	27	34	0	.794	301	1	65
James Madison	17	30	1	.567	173	0	36
Coastal Carolina	11	22	2	.500	125	0	27
App State	14	25	3	.560	144	1	35
Georgia Southern				-DNP-			
South Alabama				-DNP-			
Arkansas State	16	22	9	.727	214	3	0
UTSA				-DNP-			
Totals	202	309	11	.654	2,162	11	65

2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



FANCHER'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS {CONT'D}

2023: Marshall

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Albany	5	16	0	6
East Carolina	15	30	0	13
Virginia Tech	8	14	0	6
Old Dominion	15	102	0	22
NC State	20	25	2	9
Georgia State	10	9	0	5
James Madison	12	-66	0	2
Coastal Carolina	7	8	0	8
App State	10	35	0	43
Georgia Southern		-DNP-		
South Alabama		-DNP-		
Arkansas State	18	100	2	63
UTSA		-DNP-		
Totals	120	273	4	63

2024: Florida Atlantic

PASSING	COMP	ATT	INT	PCT	YDS	TD	LG
Michigan State	12	25	2	.480	116	1	28
Army West Point	25	37	1	.676	193	1	27
FIU	14	26	0	.538	161	0	23
UConn	9	15	1	.600	87	0	26
Wagner	9	12	1	.750	150	0	71
North Texas	22	30	1	.733	351	3	52
UTSA	9	19	0	.474	96	0	26
USF	22	42	0	.524	306	1	63
East Carolina	4	6	0	.667	68	0	34
Temple				-DNP-INJURED-			
Charlotte				-DNP-INJURED-			
Tulsa				-DNP-INJURED-			
Totals	126	212	6	.594	1,528	6	71

2024: Florida Atlantic

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Michigan State	25	67	0	20
Army West Point	4	10	0	16
FIU	14	64	1	12
UConn	8	71	0	24
Wagner	1	7	0	7
North Texas	15	69	0	27
UTSA	15	56	2	76
USF	15	23	0	35
East Carolina	2	-2	0	5
Temple		-DNP-INJURED-		
Charlotte		-DNP-INJURED-		
Tulsa		-DNP-INJURED-		
Totals	99	365	3	76

2025: UCF

PASSING	COMP	ATT	INT	PCT	YDS	TD	LG
Jacksonville State	5	9	0	.556	32	0	20
North Carolina A&T				-DNP-INJURED-			
North Carolina				-DNP-INJURED-			
Kansas State				-DNP-INJURED-			
Kansas	8	14	0	.571	79	0	22
Cincinnati	28	49	0	.571	222	0	30
West Virginia				-DNP-INJURED-			
Baylor				-DNP-INJURED-			
Houston				-DNP-INJURED-			
Texas Tech				-DNP-INJURED-			
Oklahoma State				-DNP-INJURED-			
BYU				-DNP-INJURED-			
Totals	41	72	0	.569	333	0	30

2025: UCF

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Jacksonville State	4	39	0	25
North Carolina A&T		-DNP-INJURED-		
North Carolina		-DNP-INJURED-		
Kansas State		-DNP-INJURED-		
Kansas	7	23	0	18
Cincinnati	20	118	1	16
West Virginia		-DNP-INJURED-		
Baylor		-DNP-INJURED-		
Houston		-DNP-INJURED-		
Texas Tech		-DNP-INJURED-		
Oklahoma State		-DNP-INJURED-		
BYU		-DNP-INJURED-		
Totals	31	170	1	25

2026: Michigan State

PASSING	COMP	ATT	INT	PCT	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0
Eastern Michigan	6	6	0	1.000	44	0	17
Totals	6	6	0	1.000	44	0	17

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo	1	3	0	3
Eastern Michigan	2	8	0	5
Totals	3	11	0	5



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TRENT FRALEY

MOON TOWNSHIP, PA.
MOON AREA HS
MARSHALL (2022-23)
NORTH DAKOTA STATE (2024-25)

GR-5 | OL 6-1 | 303 | TR

CAREER NOTES: All-America transfer from North Dakota State will be in his fifth year of college football in 2026 . . . enrolled at Michigan State in January 2026 for the spring semester and competed in spring practice . . . has played in 34 career games, including 29 consecutive starts at center at NDSU . . . began his career at Marshall (2022-23) . . . second-team preseason All-Big Ten selection by Phil Steele and third team by The Athletic . . . named to the Shrine Bowl 1000 List as one of the top NFL Draft eligible players entering the 2026 season . . . his father, Hank, played 10 seasons in the NFL from 2001-10 (Eagles, 2001-05; Browns, 2006-09; Rams, 2010) and is currently the offensive line coach/run game coordinator for the Detroit Lions.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT SENIOR): Voted a team captain by his teammates . . . has started both games at center, playing in 150 offensive snaps out of a possible 160 snaps through two games, tying with left guard Conner Moore for leading both the offensive line and overall offense . . . started Eastern Michigan game at center and played in 54 of the 64 offensive snaps, grading out at 67.6 overall offense and 78.1 pass block by PFF . . . made Spartan debut in started Toledo game at center and playing in all 88 snaps, one of three Spartans to play in every snap, grading out at 72.1 by PFF, which was tops among offensive line and second-best on offense, only behind QB Alessio Milivojevic . . . earned the Spartan Offensive Playmaker Player of the Game award for the offense.



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JORDAN HALL

FREDERICKSBURG, VA.
IMG ACADEMY

SR | LB 6-3 | 238 | 3L

CAREER NOTES: Fourth-year senior and three-year letterwinner has 183 tackles (92 solo, 91 assists), 14.0 tackles for loss (70 yards) and 7.0 sacks (56 yards), adding one interception, four pass break-ups, four forced fumbles and one fumble recovery in 36 career games, including 20 starting assignments at linebacker (six in 2023, one in 2024, 12 in 2025, one in 2026) . . . two-time team captain . . . first-team preseason All-Big Ten selection by Phil Steele . . . named to Athlon Sports preseason All-Big Ten Third Team . . . two-time Academic All-Big Ten honoree . . . member of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee . . . Michigan State's 2025 and 2026 nominee for the Allstate AFCA Good Works Team and Wuerffel Trophy . . . actively participates in numerous outreach initiatives including March is Reading Month and Team Impact, and also hosts an annual Youth Football Camp . . . named to the Shrine Bowl 1000 List as one of the top NFL Draft eligible players entering the 2026 season . . . represented Michigan State at the 2025 Big Ten Media Days in Las Vegas and the 2026 Big Ten Media Days in Chicago.

2026 SEASON (SENIOR): Has played in one game, starting Toledo game, but missed Eastern Michigan game with an injury . . . voted a team captain by his teammates . . . did not play in Eastern Michigan game . . . started Toledo game at linebacker and posted four tackles with 1.0 TFL and a QB hurry, logging 25 snaps.

HALL'S CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 15, vs. Boston College (9/6/25)
Tackles For Loss: 2.5, vs. Western Michigan (8/29/25)
Sacks: 2.0, vs. Minnesota (10/28/23)
Pass Break-Up: 1, four times (last vs. Iowa, 11/22/25)
Interception: 1, vs. Nebraska (10/4/25)
Forced Fumble: 2, vs. Minnesota (11/1/25)
Fumble Recovery: 1, vs. Iowa (11/22/25)

HALL'S STATISTICS

	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2023	12/6	31	36	67	7.5-49	4.5-42	0-0	1	0-0	1
2024	11/1	13	11	24	1.0-1	0-0	0-0	2	0-0	0
2025	12/12	47	41	88	4.5-17	2.5-14	1-0	1	1-0	3
2026	1/1	1	3	4	1.0-3	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	36/20	92	91	183	14.0-70	7.0-56	1-0	4	1-0	4

HALL'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2023: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Central Michigan	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Richmond	2	3	5	1.5-3	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Washington	1	2	3	1.0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Maryland	0	4	4	0.5-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Iowa	4	1	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Rutgers	3	4	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Michigan	3	4	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Minnesota	6	3	9	2.0-19	2.0-19	0-0	0	0-0	1
Nebraska	2	4	6	0.5-1	0.5-1	0-0	1	0-0	0
Ohio State	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Indiana	3	2	5	1.0-14	1.0-14	0-0	0	0-0	0
Penn State	4	8	12	1.0-8	1.0-8	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	31	36	67	7.5-49	4.5-42	0-0	1	0-0	1

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HALL'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS {CONT'D}

2024: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Florida Atlantic	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Maryland	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Prairie View A&M	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Boston College	3	1	4	1.0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Ohio State	0	3	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Oregon				-DNP-INJURED-					
Iowa	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Michigan	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Indiana	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Illinois	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Purdue	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Rutgers	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	13	11	24	1.0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0

2025: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Western Michigan	3	5	8	2.5-9	1.0-7	0-0	0	0-0	0
Boston College	9	6	15	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	1
Youngstown State	2	2	4	1.0-1	1.0-1	0-0	0	0-0	0
USC	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Nebraska	5	3	8	0-0	0-0	1-0	0	0-0	0
UCLA	4	3	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Indiana	1	5	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Michigan	5	4	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Minnesota	7	3	10	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	2
Penn State	1	3	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Iowa	6	2	8	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	1	1-0	0
Maryland	2	4	6	0.5-6	0.5-6	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	47	41	88	4.5-17	2.5-14	1-0	1	1-0	3

2026: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Toledo	1	3	4	1.0-3	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Eastern Michigan				-DNP-INJURED-					
Totals	1	3	4	1.0-3	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0



• Named to the Shrine Bowl 1000 List

CAREER NOTES: Fifth-year safety enters his third season with the Spartans in 2026 . . . has played in 45 collegiate games the past five seasons (27 at UCF in 2022-23; 12 at MSU in 2024; four at MSU in 2025; two at MSU in 2026) . . . has collected 156 tackles in his career, including 5.5 tackles for loss (18 yards) and 1.0 sack (7 yards), with the 150 tackles nearly evenly split of 75 tackles at UCF and 81 at MSU . . . has six career pass break-ups and five interceptions (156 yards) . . . has started 31 games the past four seasons (13 at UCF in 2023; 12 at MSU in 2024; four at MSU in 2025; two at MSU in 2026) . . . had 75 tackles, 3.0 TFLs, 1.0 sack, three interceptions and three pass break-ups at UCF in 2022-23, has 81 tackles with 2.5 TFLs and three pass break-ups at MSU in 2024-26 . . . has played in over 2,000 snaps on defense at safety (2,067), with 1,009 at MSU and 1,050 in his two seasons at UCF (319 in 2022; 731 in 2023) . . . transferred to MSU in 2024 and joined the program over the summer . . . named to the Shrine Bowl 1000 List as one of the top NFL Draft eligible players entering the 2026 season . . . his younger brother, Trevaughn, joined the Spartans in January 2026.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT SENIOR): Has started both games at safety, logging six stops with one pass break-up, in charting 98 defensive snaps, which leads all defensive backs and shares the overall team lead on defense . . . voted a team captain by his teammates . . . opened Eastern Michigan game at safety and posted five stops and one pass break-up in playing all 53 snaps . . . started Toledo game at safety and tallied one tackle in charting 45 snaps.

N. MARTINEZ'S CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 10#, vs. Minnesota (11/1/25)

Tackles For Loss: 1.5^#, twice (last vs. Purdue, 11/22/24)

Sacks: 1^, vs. South Carolina State (9/1/22)

Interception: 1^#, five times (last vs. Iowa, 10/19/24)

Pass Break-ups: 2^, vs. SMU (10/5/22)

N. MARTINEZ'S STATISTICS

	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2022 ^	14/0	17	4	21	1.5-9	1.0-7	0-0	2	0-0	0
2023 ^	13/13	40	14	54	1.5-6	0-0	3-94	1	0-0	0
2024 #	12/12	30	21	51	2.5-3	0-0	2-62	2	0-0	0
2025 #	4/4	17	7	24	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2026 #	2/2	2	4	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
MSU Total	18/18	49	32	81	2.5-3	0-0	2-62	3	0-0	0
Career	45/31	106	50	156	5.5-18	1.0-7	5-156	6	0-0	0

^ = at UCF | # = at Michigan State

N. MARTINEZ'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2022: UCF

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
South Carolina State	1	1	2	1.5-9	1-7	0-0	0	0-0	0
Louisville	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Florida Atlantic	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Georgia Tech	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
SMU	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0-0	0
Temple	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
East Carolina	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Cincinnati	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Memphis	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Tulane	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Navy	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
South Florida	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Tulane	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Duke	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	17	4	21	1.5-9	1-7	0-0	2	0-0	0



CAREER NOTES: Third-year offensive lineman has played in 18 career games (all 12 in 2025, four in 2024, two in 2026) . . . has seven career starts (one at LT in 2024; four at RG in 2025; two at RT in 2026).

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT SOPHOMORE): Started both games at right tackle, tallying 138 offensive snaps, which ranks third among both offensive line and fourth among total offense . . . opened Eastern Michigan game at right tackle, charting 50 snaps . . . started Toledo game at right tackle, playing in all 88 snaps, one of three Spartans to play in every snap.



2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

N. MARTINEZ'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS {CONT'D}

2023: UCF

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Kent State	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Boise State	3	0	3	1-5	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Villanova	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	1-42	0	0-0	0
Kansas State	5	1	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Baylor	3	2	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Kansas	4	0	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Oklahoma	5	1	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
West Virginia	4	1	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Cincinnati	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	1-24	0	0-0	0
Oklahoma State	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Texas Tech	5	1	6	0-0	0-0	1-28	0	0-0	0
Houston	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Georgia Tech	2	2	4	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	40	14	54	1.5-6	0-0	3-94	1	0-0	0

2024: Michigan State

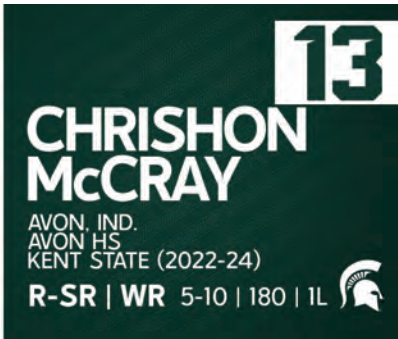
DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Florida Atlantic	5	1	6	0-0	0-0	1-41	0	0-0	0
Maryland	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Prairie View A&M	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Boston College	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Ohio State	4	1	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Oregon	2	5	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Iowa	3	3	6	0-0	0-0	1-21	0	0-0	0
Michigan	2	1	3	1.0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Indiana	3	2	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Illinois	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Purdue	3	2	5	1.5-2	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Rutgers	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Totals	30	21	51	2.5-3	0-0	2-62	2	0-0	0

2025: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Western Michigan				-DNP-INJURED-					
Boston College				-DNP-INJURED-					
Youngstown State	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
USC	5	2	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Nebraska				-DNP-INJURED-					
UCLA				-DNP-INJURED-					
Indiana				-DNP-INJURED-					
Michigan	4	1	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Minnesota	7	3	10	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Penn State				-DNP-INJURED-					
Iowa				-DNP-INJURED-					
Maryland				-DNP-INJURED-					
Totals	17	7	24	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0

2026: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Toledo	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Eastern Michigan	1	4	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Totals	2	4	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0



CAREER NOTES: Redshirt senior enters his second season with the Spartans in 2026 . . . transferred to Michigan State in January 2025 . . . spent three years (2022-24) at Kent State, earning letters for the Golden Flashes in 2023 and 2024 . . . has played in 34 career games, including 23 starts (played in 21 games, including 17 starting assignments at Kent State; played in 13 games with six starts at MSU) . . . has 115 career receptions for 1,724 yards with 16 TDs (caught 81 passes for 1,315 yards and 13 TDs in two seasons at Kent State in 2023-24; had 24 catches for 330 yards and three TDs at MSU in 2025; has 10 catches for 79 yards in 2026) . . . reached the 100-reception milestone in Iowa game (11/22/25) . . . ranks tied for No. 72 in the NCAA for receiving yards (1,724) among all active receivers at all levels, while ranking No. 21 among players who have played at the FBS level their entire career . . . adds 226 yards in career kick returns, 61 yards in career punt returns and 46 yards in career rushing for 2,057 career all-purpose yards . . . has at least one catch in total of 31 of 34 career games played . . . finished his KSU career ranked tied for fifth in school history with 13 touchdown catches . . . two-time All-Mid-American Conference honoree (first team in 2023, second team in 2024) . . . named to the Shrine Bowl 1000 List as one of the top NFL Draft eligible players entering the 2026 season . . . his career-long pass reception and punt return came against the same team but playing for different teams, both coming against Eastern Michigan, with his career-long reception coming while at Kent State in 2024 and his career-long punt return coming while at MSU in 2026.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT SENIOR): Ranks tied for 14th in the B1G and tied for 66th in the FBS in receptions/game (5.0), along with tied for 17th in the league and tied for 21st in the nation in receptions (10) and tied for 20th in the conference in receiving yards/game (39.5) . . . had two catches for 10 yards in Eastern Michigan, and also had a career-long 31-yard punt return in his only return of the night, setting up an MSU TD drive and earning the Spartan Special Teams Player of the Game team award . . . the career-best punt return came a week after the first three punt returns of his collegiate career last time out vs. Toledo . . . started season-opener vs. Toledo and tallied a game-high eight catches for 69 yards . . . the eight receptions were the most of his MSU career, topping previous mark of six catches vs. Iowa last season on Nov. 22, 2025, and the 69 yards was the second-most as a Spartan, trailing his 75 yards vs. Iowa last year . . . added three punt returns for 30 yards for his first three returns of collegiate career, along with one rush for 4 yards and logged 69 offensive snaps.

McCRAY'S CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 10[^], vs. Miami (Ohio) (9/30/23)
Receiving Yards: 213[^], vs. Ball State (10/12/24)
Long Reception: 68[^], vs. Eastern Michigan (9/28/24)
TD Receptions: 3[^], vs. Ball State (10/12/24)
Long Punt Return: 31[#], vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12/26)

McCRAY'S STATISTICS

RECEIVING	G/GS	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2022 [^]	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2023 [^]	9/6	41	610	14.9	4	42	67.8
2024 [^]	11/11	40	705	17.6	9	68	64.1
2025 [#]	11/5	24	330	13.8	3	45	30.0
2026 [#]	2/2	10	79	7.9	0	20	39.5
MSU Totals	13/7	34	409	12.0	3	45	31.5
Career	34/22	115	1,724	15.0	16	68	50.7

KICK RETURNS	ATT	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG
2022 [^]	0	0	0.0	0	0
2023 [^]	9	196	21.8	0	34
2024 [^]	0	0	0.0	0	0
2025 [#]	2	30	15.0	0	20
2026 [#]	0	0	0	0	0
Career	11	226	20.5	0	34

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McCRAV'S STATISTICS {CONT'D}

ALL PURPOSE	RUSH	REC	PR	KR	TOTAL	YPG
2022 ^	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
2023 ^	22	610	0	196	828	92.0
2024 ^	20	705	0	0	725	65.9
2025 #	0	330	0	30	360	32.7
2026 #	4	79	61	0	144	72.0
MSU Totals	4	409	61	30	504	38.8
Career	46	1,724	61	226	2,057	60.5

^ = at Kent State | # = at Michigan State

McCRAV'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2023: Kent State

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
UCF	3	61	0	36
Arkansas	1	33	0	33
Central Connecticut St.	3	11	0	11
Fresno State	2	24	0	18
Miami (OH)	10	105	0	32
Ohio	6	93	2	42
Eastern Michigan	5	70	0	40
Buffalo	5	52	0	14
Akron	6	161	2	42
Bowling Green		-DNP-		
Ball State		-DNP-		
Northern Illinois		-DNP-		
Totals	41	610	4	42

2024: Kent State

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Pitt	4	49	1	29
Saint Francis	5	45	1	11
Tennessee	3	27	0	9
Penn State	0	0	0	0
Eastern Michigan	5	188	2	68
Ball State	8	213	3	63
Bowling Green	3	21	0	16
Western Michigan	3	23	0	11
Ohio	3	28	0	18
Miami (OH)	3	18	1	11
Akron	3	93	1	45
Buffalo		-DNP-		
Totals	40	705	9	68

2025: Michigan State

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Western Michigan	1	28	0	28
Boston College	3	44	0	23
Youngstown State	1	8	0	8
USC	2	48	1	42
Nebraska	1	14	0	14
UCLA	1	23	0	23
Indiana	4	42	0	13
Michigan	3	24	0	15
Minnesota		-DNP-INJURED-		
Penn State	0	0	0	0
Iowa	6	75	2	45
Maryland	2	24	0	13
Totals	24	330	3	45

2026: Michigan State

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo	8	69	0	20
Eastern Michigan	2	10	0	6
Totals	10	79	0	20



CAREER NOTES: Redshirt sophomore quarterback enters his third season with the Spartans in 2026 . . . has played in 12 career games, including six consecutive starts (four-straight to close out the 2025 season, two in 2026) . . . has thrown for at least one TD in his last four starts as part of in eight of his last 10 games, now with 13 TDs for his career . . . has thrown for multiple TDs in three of the last four games, with two passing scores last season vs. Iowa (11/22/25) and four in the season finale vs. Maryland (11/29/25), then two vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12/26) . . . represented Michigan State at the 2026 Big Ten Media Days in Chicago.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT SOPHOMORE): Ranks 11th in the B1G in passing yards (417) and 12th in passing yards/game (208.5), while ranking 70th in the FBS in passing yards and 68th in passing yards/game, along with tied for seventh in the league and tied for 46th in the nation in passing completions (38), ninth in the conference and tied for 56th in the country in passing attempts (54), sixth in the B1G and 31st in the FBS in passing percentage (.704) and ninth in the league and 52nd in the nation in QB rating (153.6) . . . also tied for 10th in the B1G and tied for 60th in the FBS in TD passes (3) . . . has thrown for 417 yards on 38-of-54 passing with three TDs and no INTs in starting both games . . . was 12-of-20 passing (.600) for 170 yards and two TDs in Eastern Michigan game . . . the 170 yards passing snapped streak of three-straight outings with 200+ passing yards . . . with only 12 completions, streak of 20+ completions also came to a halt at three in a row . . . completed at least one pass to nine different receivers in EMU game . . . started season-opener vs. Toledo and was 26-of-34 passing (.765) for 247 yards and one TD, with no interceptions, in playing 87 of the 88 snaps . . . the 76.5 completion percentage was a new career-high, topping his previous career-best of 71.4 percent (20-of-28) vs. Minnesota on Nov. 1, 2025 . . . connected with Rodney Bullard Jr. for both the go ahead TD and 2-point conversion that gave MSU a 27-20 lead with 10:37 left in the fourth quarter . . . the 247 yards passing was third-straight outing with 200+ passing yards and his fourth in his last five career starts dating back to the aforementioned Nov. 1, 2025 game at Minnesota . . . the 26 completions was also the third-straight start with 20+ completions and the fourth time in his last five starts.

MILIVOJEVIC'S CAREER HIGHS

Pass Completions: 27, vs. Maryland (11/29/25)
 Pass Attempts: 42, vs. Iowa (11/22/25)
 Passing Yards: 311, vs. Minnesota (11/1/25)
 Passing TDs: 4, vs. Maryland (11/29/25)
 Completion Percentage (min. 10 att.): .765 (26-34), vs. Toledo (9/4/26)
 Rush Attempts: 13, vs. Minnesota (11/1/25)
 Rushing Yards: 9, twice (last vs. Indiana, 10/18/25)
 Rushing TDs: 1, vs. Nebraska (10/4/25)
 Longest Pass Play: 71, vs. Minnesota (11/1/25)
 Longest Rush Play: 16, vs. Penn State (11/15/25)
 Longest Pass TD: 71, vs. Minnesota (11/1/25)
 Longest Rush TD: 1, vs. Nebraska (10/4/25)

MILIVOJEVIC'S STATISTICS

PASSING	G/GS	COMP	ATT	INT	PCT	YDS	YPG	TD	LG	Effic.
2024	1/0	0	1	1	.000	0	0.0	0	0	-200
2025	9/4	111	173	3	.642	1,267	140.8	10	71	141.3
2026	2/2	38	54	0	.704	417	208.5	3	46	153.6
Totals	12/6	149	228	4	.654	1,684	140.3	13	71	142.7

RUSHING	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2024	0	0	0	0	0	0
2025	31	-59	-1.9	1	16	-6.6
2026	13	9	0.7	0	13	4.5
Totals	44	-50	-1.1	1	16	-4.2



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MILIVOJEVIC'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2025: Michigan State

PASSING	COMP	ATT	INT	PCT	YDS	TD	LG
Western Michigan	0	1	1	.000	0	0	0
Boston College			-DNP-				
Youngstown State			-DNP-				
USC			-DNP-				
Nebraska	6	7	0	.857	71	1	24
UCLA	8	18	0	.444	100	1	23
Indiana	3	5	0	.600	50	0	22
Michigan	5	6	0	.833	60	1	21
Minnesota	20	28	0	.714	311	1	71
Penn State	17	27	0	.630	128	0	32
Iowa	25	42	1	.595	255	2	45
Maryland	27	39	1	.692	292	4	46
Totals	111	173	3	.642	1,267	10	71

2025: Michigan State

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Western Michigan	0	0	0	0
Boston College		-DNP-		
Youngstown State		-DNP-		
USC		-DNP-		
Nebraska	1	1	1	1
UCLA	1	9	0	9
Indiana	2	9	0	11
Michigan	2	-7	0	0
Minnesota	13	-53	0	6
Penn State	6	-20	0	16
Iowa	3	-11	0	6
Maryland	3	13	0	11
Totals	31	-59	1	16

2026: Michigan State

PASSING	COMP	ATT	INT	PCT	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo	26	34	0	.765	247	1	26
Eastern Michigan	12	20	0	.600	170	2	46
Totals	38	54	0	.704	417	3	46

2026: Michigan State

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo	6	-5	0	13
Eastern Michigan	7	14	0	9
Totals	13	9	0	13



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CONNER MOORE

MILLBURY, OHIO
LAKE HS
MONTANA STATE (2022-24)
R-SR | OL 6-6 | 311 | 1L

CAREER NOTES: Redshirt senior offensive tackle enters his second season with the Spartans in 2026 . . . second-team preseason All-Big Ten selection by Phil Steele . . . enrolled at Michigan State in January 2025 after spending three years at Montana State (2022-24) . . . has played in 45 career games, including 42 consecutive starts . . . played in 31 games at Montana State from 2022-24, including 28 consecutive starts to close out his Bobcat career (25 at left tackle, three at left guard) . . . has played and started in all 14 games at MSU in 2025-26 (12 in 2025; two in 2026) . . . earned FCS All-America honors at Montana State in 2024 as the Bobcats finished 15-1 and reached the FCS National Championship Game . . . has started 28 career games at left tackle, nine at right tackle and five at left guard . . . named to the Shrine Bowl 1000 List as one of the top NFL Draft eligible players entering the 2026 season.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT SENIOR AT MICHIGAN STATE): Has started both games at left guard, playing in 158 total snaps and 150 offensive snaps, tying with center Trent Fraley for leading both the offensive line and overall offense . . . opened Eastern Michigan game at left guard and played in all 72 snaps, grading out at team-high 85.6 pass block according to PFF, adding a 65.1 offensive grade . . . started season-opener vs. Toledo at left guard and played in all 88 offensive snaps.

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FREDRICK MOORE

ST. LOUIS, MO.
CARDINAL RITTER COLLEGE PREP
MICHIGAN (2023-25)

R-JR | WR 6-1 | 187 | TR



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BEN MURAWSKI

HARLEYSVILLE, PA.
ST. THOMAS MORE HS
UConn (2022-25)

GR-5 | OL 6-7 | 340 | TR

CAREER NOTES: Transfer wide receiver from Michigan has two seasons of eligibility remaining . . . has played in 33 career games (played in 31 games at UM in 2023-25; has played in two games at MSU in 2026 . . . has 19 receptions for 203 yards and two TDs . . . enrolled at Michigan State in January 2026.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT JUNIOR): Ranks tied for 15th in B1G in TD catches (1), along with tied for 49th in the league in yards/catch (10.75) and 51st in the conference in receptions (4) . . . has four catches for 43 yards and one TD in starting both games . . . 3-of-4 catches have gone for a first down or TD . . . started Eastern Michigan game and had one catch for an 18-yard TD in the first quarter to open MSU's scoring on the day . . . started season-opener vs. Toledo and tallied collegiate career-high tying three catches on three targets for 25 yards, with all three catches coming on consecutive plays, with 2-of-3 catches going for first down, including first catch as a Spartan, for a first down, then another first down on the next play, going for a game-high 15 yards, and another catch on the third-straight play . . . finished with 73 offensive snaps.

MOORE'S CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 3[^]#, three times (last vs. Toledo, 9/4/26)

Receiving Yards: 38, vs. Arkansas State (9/14/24)

Long Reception: 20, vs. Northwestern (11/23/24)

TD Receptions: 1[^]#, twice (last vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/12/26)

MOORE'S STATISTICS

RECEIVING	G/GS	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2023 [^]	13/0	4	32	8.0	0	10	2.5
2024 [^]	13/3	11	128	11.6	1	20	9.8
2025 [^]	5/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2026 #	2/2	4	43	10.8	1	18	21.5
Career	33/5	19	203	10.7	2	20	6.3

[^] at Michigan | # at Michigan State

MOORE'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2024: Michigan

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Fresno State	0	0	0	0
Texas	0	0	0	0
Arkansas State	3	38	0	17
USC	1	5	0	5
Minnesota	0	0	0	0
Washington	0	0	0	0
Illinois	0	0	0	0
Michigan State	0	0	0	0
Oregon	0	0	0	0
Indiana	1	16	0	16
Northwestern	2	26	0	20
Ohio State	1	6	0	6
Alabama	3	37	1	15
Total	11	128	1	20

2026: Michigan State

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo	3	25	0	15
Eastern Michigan	1	18	1	18
Totals	4	43	1	18

CAREER NOTES: Transfer offensive lineman will be playing his fifth season of college football at Michigan State in 2026 after spending the previous four years (2022-25) at UConn . . . enters the 2026 season on the Outland Trophy Watch List for the nation's best interior lineman . . . second-team preseason All-Big Ten selection by Phil Steele . . . has played in 32 career games, including 21 starts (played in 30 games at UConn, including 19 starts; has played in two games at MSU, including two starts) . . . played a total of 1,190 snaps on the offensive line for the Huskies . . . named to the Shrine Bowl 1000 List as one of the top NFL Draft eligible players entering the 2026 season . . . his father, Matt, lettered in football at Oregon in 1997.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT SENIOR): Started both games at left tackle, logging 98 offensive snaps, grading out at 69.1 offensive grade, according to PFF . . . opened Eastern Michigan game at left tackle and logged 43 snaps, grading out at 85.2 pass block and 74.6 offensive grade, according to PFF . . . made Spartan debut in starting Toledo game at left tackle and charting 55 snaps



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BRENNAN
PARACHEK

DEXTER, MICH.
DEXTER HS

GR-4 | TE 6-5 | 249 | 2L

CAREER NOTES: Fourth-year tight end and two-year letterwinner has 15 career receptions for 128 yards in playing 26 games with five starts over the past four seasons (2023-26) . . . two-time Academic All-Big Ten honoree . . . graduated with his bachelor's degree in communication in the spring of 2026.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT JUNIOR): Has started both games at tight end, tallying one catch for 10 yards, in logging 92 offensive snaps . . . opened Eastern Michigan game at tight end, notching 41 offensive snaps . . . started season-opener vs. Toledo at tight end, logging one catch for 10 yards, going for a first down on 3rd-and-6 in the fourth quarter, leading to an MSU field goal for the insurance points at 30-20 . . . charted 51 offensive snaps.

PARACHEK'S CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 2, four times (last vs. Purdue, 11/22/24)
Receiving Yards: 27, vs. Ohio State (9/28/24)

PARACHEK'S STATISTICS

RECEIVING	G/GS	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2023	8/0	6	55	9.2	0	17	6.9
2024	12/3	8	63	7.9	0	19	5.2
2025	4/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2026	2/2	1	10	10.0	0	10	5.0
Totals	26/5	15	128	8.5	0	19	4.9

PARACHEK'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2023: Michigan State				
RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Central Michigan		-DNP-		
Richmond		-DNP-		
Washington		-DNP-		
Maryland	0	0	0	0
Iowa	0	0	0	0
Rutgers	0	0	0	0
Michigan	2	19	0	14
Minnesota	1	13	0	13
Nebraska	1	17	0	17
Ohio State	2	6	0	4
Indiana		-DNP-INJURED-		
Penn State	0	0	0	0
Totals	6	55	0	17

2024: Michigan State				
RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Florida Atlantic	0	0	0	0
Maryland	0	0	0	0
Prairie View A&M	1	12	0	12
Boston College	0	0	0	0
Ohio State	2	27	0	19
Oregon	0	0	0	0
Iowa	0	0	0	0
Michigan	1	7	0	7
Indiana	1	17	0	17
Illinois	1	0	0	0
Purdue	2	0	0	7
Rutgers	0	0	0	0
Totals	8	63	0	19

2026: Michigan State				
RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo	1	10	0	10
Eastern Michigan	0	0	0	0
Totals	1	10	0	10

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CAREER NOTES: Transfer running back from Western Kentucky has three seasons of eligibility remaining after playing in 13 games with the Hilltoppers in 2025 as a true freshman . . . enrolled at Michigan State in January 2026.

2026 SEASON (SOPHOMORE): Has played in both games, logging 10 carries for 39 yards, adding one reception . . . had four rushing attempts for 11 yards in Eastern Michigan game, adding one catch . . . made Spartan debut in season-opener vs. Toledo, tallying six carries for 28 yards with a long of 15 yards, in logging 16 snaps

PARRISH'S CAREER HIGHS

Rushing Attempts: 12[^], three times (last vs. Jacksonville State, 11/29/25)
 Rushing Yards: 102[^], vs. Middle Tennessee (11/15/25)
 Rushing TD: 1[^], vs. Southern Miss (12/23/25)
 Longest Rush: 66[^], vs. Middle Tennessee (11/15/25)
 Receptions: 7[^], vs. Toledo (9/6/25)
 Receiving Yards: 58[^], vs. Sam Houston (8/23/25)
 Receiving TD: 1[^], vs. Sam Houston (8/23/25)
 Longest Reception: 22[^], vs. Sam Houston (8/23/25)

PARRISH'S STATISTICS

RUSHING	G/GS	ATT	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2025 [^]	13/12	106	576	5.4	1	66	44.3
2026 #	2/0	10	39	3.9	0	15	19.5
Career	15/12	116	615	5.3	1	66	41.0

RECEIVING	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2025 [^]	36	203	5.6	1	22	15.6
2026 #	1	-1	-1.0	0	0	-0.5
Career	37	202	5.5	1	22	13.5

[^] at Western Kentucky | # at Michigan State

PARRISH'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2025: Western Kentucky

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Sam Houston	12	52	0	18
North Alabama	4	19	0	22
Toledo	7	22	0	5
Nevada	10	44	0	19
Missouri State	9	20	0	9
Delaware	5	27	0	11
FIU	9	74	0	16
Louisiana Tech	5	33	0	13
New Mexico State	7	34	0	12
Middle Tennessee	12	102	0	66
LSU	7	32	0	16
Jacksonville State	12	52	0	13
Southern Miss	7	65	1	54
Totals	106	576	1	66

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Sam Houston	6	58	1	22
North Alabama	1	14	0	14
Toledo	7	28	0	8
Nevada	3	11	0	8
Missouri State	5	38	0	19
Delaware	1	0	0	0
FIU	3	10	0	5
Louisiana Tech	2	18	0	15
New Mexico State	2	7	0	6
Middle Tennessee	2	11	0	8
LSU	3	3	0	3
Jacksonville State	1	5	0	5
Southern Miss	0	0	0	0
Totals	36	203	1	22

2026: Michigan State

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo	6	28	0	15
Eastern Michigan	4	11	0	6
Totals	10	39	0	15

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo	0	0	0	0
Eastern Michigan	1	-1	0	0
Totals	1	-1	0	0



2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



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JAZIUN PATTERSON

POMPANO BEACH, FLA.
DEERFIELD BEACH HS
IOWA (2022-25)

GR-5 | RB 5-10 | 210 | TR

CAREER NOTES: Transfer running back from Iowa has one season of eligibility remaining . . . has played in 36 career games (played in 34 games with the Hawkeyes the previous four seasons (2022-25); has played in two games with the Spartans in 2026) . . . has rushed for 904 yards and five touchdowns on 205 carries in his career (rushed for 858 yards and four touchdowns on 195 carries at Iowa; has 10 carries for 46 yards and one TD at MSU) . . . also has nine receptions for 35 yards for a total of 939 all-purpose yards.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT SENIOR): Has played in both games, notching 10 carries for 46 yards with one TD, splitting rushing yardage evenly with 23 yards in each game . . . scored first TD as a Spartan in Eastern Michigan game, part of three carries for 23 yards, scoring a 7-yard TD to cap scoring in the Victory for MSU, for first collegiate rushing TD in Nov. 2, 2024 while at Iowa . . . made Spartan debut in season-opener vs. Toledo, tallying seven carries for 23 yards with a long of 10 yards, in charting 25 snaps.

PATTERSON'S CAREER HIGHS

- Rushing Attempts: 18, vs. Minnesota (9/21/24)
- Rushing Yards: 86^, vs. Iowa State (9/9/23)
- Rushing TD: 1^#, five times (last vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/12/25)
- Longest Rush: 59^, vs. Iowa State (9/9/23)
- Receptions: 2^, vs. Utah State (9/2/23)
- Receiving Yards: 19^, vs. Utah State (9/2/23)
- Longest Reception: 18^, vs. Utah State (9/2/23)

PATTERSON'S STATISTICS

RUSHING	G/GS	ATT	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2022 ^	3/0	14	47	3.4	0	17	15.7
2023 ^	11/1	58	206	3.6	2	59	18.7
2024 ^	10/0	63	309	4.9	2	39	30.9
2025 ^	10/1	60	296	4.9	0	17	29.6
2026 #	2/0	10	46	4.6	1	14	23.0
Career	36/2	205	904	4.4	5	59	25.1

RECEIVING	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2022 ^	1	1	1.0	0	1	0.3
2023 ^	4	22	5.5	0	18	2.0
2024 ^	1	3	3.0	0	3	0.3
2025 ^	3	9	3.0	0	5	0.9
2026 #	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Career	9	35	3.9	0	18	1.0

^ at Iowa | # at Michigan State

PATTERSON'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2022: Iowa				
RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Nevada	6	20	0	6
Purdue	4	4	0	1
Kentucky	4	23	0	17
Totals	14	47	0	17

2023: Iowa				
RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Utah State	5	-2	0	6
Iowa State	10	86	1	59
Western Michigan	6	20	0	6
Penn State		-DNP-		
Michigan State		-DNP-		
Purdue		-DNP-		
Wisconsin	0	0	0	0
Northwestern	8	21	0	5
Rutgers	14	53	1	9
Illinois	4	11	0	4
Nebraska	5	6	0	3
Michigan	1	2	0	2
Tennessee	2	7	0	5
Totals	58	206	2	59

2024: Iowa				
RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Illinois State		-DNP-		
Iowa State		-DNP-		
Troy	8	72	1	39
Minnesota	18	66	0	13
Ohio State	4	6	0	4
Washington	3	10	0	5
Michigan State	2	6	0	4
Northwestern	3	11	0	5
Wisconsin	10	56	1	16
Maryland	5	8	0	3
Nebraska	1	0	0	0
Missouri	9	74	0	21
Totals	63	309	2	39

2025: Iowa				
RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Albany	7	47	0	17
Iowa State	11	60	0	10
Massachusetts	10	54	0	11
Rutgers	6	37	0	12
Indiana		-DNP-		
Wisconsin		-DNP-		
Penn State		-DNP-		
Minnesota	5	18	0	6
Oregon	2	10	0	5
USC	8	37	0	10
Michigan State	6	24	0	12
Nebraska	2	12	0	9
Vanderbilt	3	-3	0	2
Totals	60	296	0	17

2026: Michigan State				
RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo	7	23	0	10
Eastern Michigan	3	23	1	14
Totals	10	46	1	14

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BRADY
PRETZLAFF

GAYLORD, MICH.
GAYLORD HS

R-SO | LB 6-3 | 237 | SQ



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MICHAEL
RICHARD

NEW ORLEANS, LA.
EDNA KARR HS
LOUISIANA TECH (2023-25)

SR | S 5-11 | 185 | TR

CAREER NOTES: Redshirt sophomore linebacker enters his third season with the Spartans in 2026 . . . has played in nine games the past three seasons (four in 2024, three in 2025, two in 2026), with two starts (both in 2026) . . . has 24 career tackles, including 2.0 for losses (7 yards) and two pass break-ups . . . his father, Jeff, is a longtime high school coach and currently serves as the defensive coordinator at Gaylord High School; he also played collegiality at Augustana College in Rock Island, Illinois . . . his mother, Molly, played basketball at Northern Michigan.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT SOPHOMORE): Has started both games at linebacker, logging 13 tackles in notching 112 snaps, which leads the defense . . . the 13 tackles in two games so far this season has topped his career total of 11 stops in seven games entering this season, playing four games as a true freshman in 2024 and three last season with an injury . . . has shared the lead for the defense in both games and topped his career-best in both games . . . posted a new career-high with eight tackles in the Eastern Michigan game, logging 53 defensive snaps to tie for the team lead, grading out at 72.1 defensive grade, and 72.6 coverage grade, according to PFF . . . made first career start in opening the Toledo game at linebacker, posting a career-high five tackles to share top team honors, in making return to action after missing the final nine games of last season with an injury after playing the first three games of the year . . . charted 44 snaps.

PRETZLAFF'S CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 8, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12/26)

Tackles For Loss: 1.0, twice (last vs. Youngstown State, 9/13/25)

Pass Break-ups: 1, twice (last vs. Boston College, 9/6/25)

PRETZLAFF'S STATISTICS

	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2024	4/0	5	2	7	1-4	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2025	3/0	4	0	4	1-3	0-0	0-0	2	0-0	0
2026	2/2	4	9	13	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Career	9/2	13	11	24	2-7	0-0	0-0	2	0-0	0

PRETZLAFF'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2024: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Prairie View A&M	1	0	1	1-4	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Indiana	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Illinois	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Rutgers	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	5	2	7	1-4	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0

2025: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Western Michigan	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Boston College	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Youngstown State	3	0	3	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	4	0	4	1-3	0-0	0-0	2	0-0	0

2026: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Toledo	2	3	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Eastern Michigan	2	6	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	4	9	13	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0

CAREER NOTES: Transfer safety from Louisiana Tech has one season of eligibility remaining . . . joined the Spartans in January 2026 and competed in spring practice . . . has played in 36 career games, including 24 starts (played in 34 games for the Bulldogs, including 22 starts; has played in two games for the Spartans, making two starts) . . . has tallied 110 career tackles, with 8.5 tackles for loss, three interceptions and 11 pass break-ups (recorded 104 tackles, 7.5 TFLs, three interceptions and 11 pass break-ups at LA Tech; has six tackles with 1.0 TFL at MSU) . . . has played more than 1,500 snaps (1,587) on defense (played in 1,523 snaps for the Bulldogs; played in 64 snaps for the Spartans) . . . was named the Conference USA Freshman of the Year in 2023 and also earned second-team Freshman All-America honors . . . named to the Shrine Bowl 1000 List as one of the top NFL Draft eligible players entering the 2026 season.

2026 SEASON (SENIOR): Has started both games, tallying six stops, including 1.0 tackle for loss (3 yards), in logging 63 defensive snaps . . . started Eastern Michigan game at defensive back, notching one tackle in 21 snaps . . . made Spartan debut and started season-opener vs. Toledo, sharing for top honors on team with five tackles, all solo stops, adding 1.0 tackle for loss, in logging 42 defensive snaps.

RICHARD'S CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 11[^], vs. FIU (9/28/24)

Tackles For Loss: 2[^], vs. Kennesaw State (10/9/25)

Interceptions: 1[^], three times (last vs. Liberty, 11/22/25)

Pass Break-Up: 3[^], vs. Northwestern State (9/9/23)

RICHARD'S STATISTICS

	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2023 [^]	12/6	14	18	32	1.5-5	0-0	0-0	7	0-0	0
2024 [^]	10/5	14	19	33	1.0-2	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
2025 [^]	12/11	28	11	39	5.0-19	0-0	3-0	3	0-0	0
2026 #	2/2	5	1	6	1.0-3	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Career	36/24	61	49	110	8.5-29	0-0	3-0	11	0-0	0

[^] at Louisiana Tech | # at Michigan State



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RICHARD'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2023: Louisiana Tech

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
FIU	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
SMU	3	1	4	1-5	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Northwestern St.	0	4	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	3	0-0	0
North Texas	2	5	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Nebraska	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
UTEP	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Western Kentucky	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
MTSU	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
New Mexico State	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Liberty	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0-0	0
Sam Houston	1	4	5	0.5-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Jacksonville State	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	14	18	32	1.5-5	0-0	0-0	7	0-0	0

2024: Louisiana Tech

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Nicholls	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
NC State	1	3	4	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Tulsa	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
FIU	7	4	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
MTSU	2	3	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
New Mexico State				-DNP-INJURED-					
UTEP				-DNP-INJURED-					
Sam Houston				-DNP-INJURED-					
Jacksonville State	0	3	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Western Kentucky	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Arkansas	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Kennesaw State	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Army West Point	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	14	19	33	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0

2025: Louisiana Tech

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
SE Louisiana	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
LSU	3	3	6	0.5-0	0-0	1-0	0	0-0	0
New Mexico State	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Southern Miss	2	3	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
UTEP	4	0	4	0-0	0-0	1-0	1	0-0	0
Kennesaw State	5	0	5	2-6	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Western Kentucky	1	1	2	1.5-9	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Sam Houston	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Delaware	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Washington State	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Liberty	4	1	5	0-0	0-0	1-0	1	0-0	0
Missouri State	1	0	1	1-4	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	28	11	39	5-19	0-0	3-0	3	0-0	0

2026: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Toledo	5	0	5	1.0-3	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Eastern Michigan	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	5	1	6	1.0-3	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0



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BEN ROBERTS
LAKEWOOD, WASH.
EAST (UTAH) HS
OREGON (2022-23)
R-SR | DL 6-2 | 325 | 2L

CAREER NOTES: Fifth-year senior defensive lineman and third-year Spartan has played in 28 collegiate games the past four seasons (nine games at Oregon from 2022-23; 10 games at MSU in 2024; seven games at MSU in 2025; two games at MSU in 2026), with six starts (four in 2025, two in 2026) . . . has recorded 28 career tackles (five at Oregon, 23 at MSU) . . . has earned two Spartan letters (2024, 2025).

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT SENIOR): Has started both games at defensive tackle, logging four stops, including 0.5 tackle for loss, in notching 46 defensive snaps . . . opened Eastern Michigan game at defensive tackle and tallying three tackles with 0.5 TFL in posting 24 defensive snaps . . . started season-opener vs. Toledo and tallied one tackle in charting 22 defensive snaps.

ROBERTS' CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 4#, twice (last vs. Boston College, 9/6/25)

Tackles For Loss: 2#, vs. Rutgers (11/30/24)

ROBERTS' STATISTICS

	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2022 ^	4/0	0	3	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2023 ^	5/0	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2024 #	10/0	6	2	8	2.0-5	1.0-3	0-0	0	0-0	0
2025 #	7/6	4	7	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2026 #	2/2	2	2	4	0.5-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
MSU Totals	19/8	12	11	23	2.5-5	1.0-3	0-0	0	0-0	0
Career	28/8	13	15	28	2.5-5	1.0-3	0-0	0	0-0	0

^ at Oregon | # at Michigan State

2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



ROBERTS' GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2024: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Florida Atlantic	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Maryland				-DNP-INJURED-					
Prairie View A&M	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Boston College				-DNP-INJURED-					
Ohio State	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Oregon	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Iowa	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Michigan	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Indiana	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Illinois	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Purdue	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Rutgers	2	1	3	2-5	1-3	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	6	2	8	2-5	1-3	0-0	0	0-0	0

2025: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Western Michigan	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Boston College	0	4	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Youngstown State	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
USC	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Nebraska	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
UCLA				-DNP-INJURED-					
Indiana	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Michigan	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Minnesota				-DNP-INJURED-					
Penn State				-DNP-INJURED-					
Iowa				-DNP-INJURED-					
Maryland				-DNP-INJURED-					
Totals	4	7	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0

2026: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Toledo	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Eastern Michigan	1	2	3	0.5-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	2	2	4	0.5-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0



CAREER NOTES: Second-year tight end redshirted his first season at MSU in 2025 . . . has played in six games (four in 2025; two in 2026) with one start (one in 2026), snaring nine career receptions (one in 2025; eight in 2026) . . . high school teammates with fellow Spartan redshirt freshmen Antonio Johnson, Darrin Jones Jr., DJ White and Bryson Williams.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT FRESHMAN): Ranks tied for 23rd in the B1G and tied for 101st in the FBS in receptions (8), along with tied for 26th in the conference in receiving yards/game (49.5), tied for 29th in the league in receiving yards (99) and 41st in the conference in yards/catch (12.38) . . . has played in both games, with one start, snaring eight catches for 99 yards, ranking second on team in yards and third in catches, in charting 81 offensive snaps . . . has set or tied career-highs for catches and yards last two games . . . 1-of-8 catches has gone for first down . . . made first collegiate start by opening Eastern Michigan game at tight end and snared career-high tying four catches for career-best 63 yards, including career-long 46-yard catch that was longest offensive play of game by either team, in charting 42 snaps . . . snared career-high four catches for career-best 36 yards in season-opener vs. Toledo, tallying 39 offensive snaps . . . three of the four catches came on Spartan drives that ended with points, as MSU capped all three drives with field goals.

SAVOURY'S CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 4, twice (last vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/12/26)

Receiving Yards: 63, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12/26)

Longest Reception: 46, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12/26)

SAVOURY'S STATISTICS

RECEIVING	G/GS	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2025	4/0	1	16	16.0	0	16	4.0
2026	2/1	8	99	12.4	0	46	49.5
Career	6/1	9	115	12.8	0	46	19.2

SAVOURY'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2026: Michigan State

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo	4	36	0	13
Eastern Michigan	4	63	0	46
Totals	8	99	0	46



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NICK SHARPE

GASTONIA, N.C.
HUNTER HUSS HS
WAKE FOREST (2021-24)
SOUTH CAROLINA (2025)

GR-6 | OL 6-2 | 335 | TR

CAREER NOTES: Graduate transfer from South Carolina in his sixth season of college football in 2026 . . . joined the Spartans in January 2026 and competed in spring practice . . . played four seasons at Wake Forest (2021-24) before transferring to South Carolina for the 2025 season . . . has played in 35 career games, including 18 starts (13 at right guard, five at left guard) . . . played for offensive line coach Nick Tabacca at Wake Forest from 2021-24 . . . graduated from Wake Forest in December 2024 with a degree in communications.

2026 SEASON (GRADUATE SENIOR): Has started both games at right guard, charting 117 offensive snaps, grading out at 68.6 offensive grade according to PFF . . . started Eastern Michigan game at right guard and charted 47 snaps, grading out at 83.8 pass block, 69.7 offensive grade and 67.4 run block grade, according to PFF, earning Offensive Playmaker Spartan Player of the Game team award . . . made Spartan debut in season-opener vs. Toledo, starting at right guard and logging 70 offensive snaps.



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ISAAC SMITH

WAGONER, OKLA.
WAGONER HS
TEXAS TECH (2021-24)

GR-6 | EDGE 6-6 | 260 | IL

CAREER NOTES: Sixth-year graduate edge defender enters his second season at Michigan State in 2026 . . . received an additional year of eligibility from the NCAA for the 2026 season . . . transferred to Michigan State in the summer of 2025 after spending four years at Texas Tech (2021-24) . . . has played in 37 career games (11 at Texas Tech in 2022, 12 at Texas Tech in 2024, 12 at MSU in 2025, two at MSU in 2026) . . . has 21 career starts (two at Texas Tech in 2022, six at TTU in 2024, 12 at MSU in 2025, one at MSU in 2026) . . . has 74 tackles, including 7.5 TFLs and 4.5 sacks, in his career . . . graduated from Texas Tech in December 2024 with a bachelor's degree in university studies.

2026 SEASON (GRADUATE SENIOR): Has played in both games with one start, tallying three tackles, in charting 14 defensive snaps . . . tallied two tackles in charting nine snaps . . . started season-opener vs. Toledo at defensive end and recorded one tackle in logging five snaps

I. SMITH'S CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 7[^], vs. Iowa State (11/2/24)
Tackles For Loss: 2.0[^], vs. Ole Miss (12/28/22)
Sacks: 1.5[^], vs. Arkansas (12/27/24)

I. SMITH'S STATISTICS

	G	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2022	11/2	9	5	14	3.0-5	1-2	0-0	0	1-0	0
2023					-DNP-INJURED-					
2024 [^]	12/6	15	16	31	3.5-27	2.5-24	0-0	0	0-0	0
2025 #	12/12	16	10	26	1.0-6	1.0-6	0-0	0	0-0	0
2026 #	2/1	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Career	37/21	41	33	74	7.5-38	4.5-32	0-0	0	1-0	0

[^] = at Texas Tech | # = at Michigan State

2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



I. SMITH'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2022: Texas Tech

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Murray State	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Houston				-DNP-					
NC State				-DNP-					
Texas	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Kansas State	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Oklahoma State	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
West Virginia	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Baylor	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
TCU	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Kansas	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Iowa State	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Oklahoma	3	1	4	1.0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Ole Miss	4	0	4	2.0-3	1-2	0-0	0	1-0	0
Totals	9	5	14	3.0-5	1-2	0-0	0	1-0	0

2024: Texas Tech

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Abilene Christian	2	2	4	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Washington State	2	1	3	1.0-15	1-15	0-0	0	0-0	0
North Texas	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Arizona State	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Cincinnati	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Arizona				-DNP-INJURED-					
Baylor	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
TCU	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Iowa State	3	4	7	0.5-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Colorado	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Oklahoma State	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
West Virginia	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Arkansas	2	1	3	1.5-9	1.5-9	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	15	16	31	3.5-27	2.5-25	0-0	0	0-0	0

2025: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Western Michigan	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Boston College	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Youngstown State	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
USC	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Nebraska	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
UCLA	4	0	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Indiana	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Michigan	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Minnesota	1	1	2	1.0-6	1.0-6	0-0	0	0-0	0
Penn State	1	3	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Iowa	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Maryland	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	16	10	26	1.0-6	1.0-6	0-0	0	0-0	0

2026: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Toledo	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Eastern Michigan	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0



CAREER NOTES: Transfer wide receiver from Notre Dame has two seasons of eligibility remaining . . . has played in 18 career games (played in 17 games for the Fighting Irish from 2023-25; played in one game for the Spartans in 2026) . . . has 12 career receptions for 171 yards and two TDs (caught 11 passes for 161 yards and two TDs at UND; has one catch for 10 yards at MSU).

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT JUNIOR): Has played in one game, with one catch for 10 yards . . . did not see action in Eastern Michigan game . . . made Spartan debut in season-opener vs. Toledo, making one catch for 10 yards, in charting 11 snaps.

KK SMITH'S CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 3^, vs. NC State (10/11/25)
 Receiving Yards: 59^, vs. NC State (10/11/25)
 Long Reception: 34^, vs. Navy (11/9/25)
 TD Receptions: 1^, twice (last vs. Navy, 11/9/25)

KK SMITH'S STATISTICS

RECEIVING	G/GS	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2023 ^	1/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2024 ^	6/0	3	38	12.7	0	25	6.3
2025 ^	10/0	8	123	15.4	2	34	12.3
2026 #	1/0	1	10	10.0	0	10	10.0
Career	18/0	12	171	14.3	2	34	9.5

^ at Notre Dame | # at Michigan State

KK SMITH'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2025: Notre Dame

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Miami (Fla.)	0	0	0	0
Texas A&M	1	7	0	7
Purdue	1	11	0	11
Arkansas		-DNP-		
Boise State	0	0	0	0
NC State	3	59	1	31
USC		-DNP-		
Boston College	0	0	0	0
Navy	2	39	1	34
Pittsburgh	1	7	0	7
Syracuse	0	0	0	0
Stanford 0	0	0	0	0
Total	8	123	2	34

2026: Michigan State

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo	1	10	0	10
Eastern Michigan		-DNP-		
Totals	1	10	0	10



2026 SPARTAN FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



KENNY SOARES JR.

TRUMBULL, CONN.
AVON OLD FARMS HS
NORTHWESTERN (2022-24)
NC STATE (2025)

GR-5 | EDGE 6-2 | 234 | TR

CAREER NOTES: Graduate senior transfer has one season of eligibility remaining . . . has played in 43 career collegiate games (28 at Northwestern from 2022-24; 13 at NC State in 2025; two at MSU in 2026) . . . earned his bachelor's degree from Northwestern . . . played for Coach Pat Fitzgerald during the 2022 season at Northwestern . . . named to the Shrine Bowl 1000 List as one of the top NFL Draft eligible players entering the 2026 season.

2026 SEASON (GRADUATE SENIOR): Voted to wear the #1 jersey in 2026 by his teammates . . . voted a team captain by his teammates . . . has started both games, notching six tackles with 1.5 TFL, 1.0 sack, one interception and one pass break-up . . . started Eastern Michigan game and posted five stops with a career-high 1.5 tackles for loss (10 yards), including career-best tying 1.0 sack (7 yards) in charting 34 defensive snaps . . . made Spartan debut in season-opener vs. Toledo and snared first interception of collegiate career, as well as logging one tackle, one pass break-up and a QB hurry, in charting 38 plays . . . interception came early in the second quarter, tipping ball to himself for interception, which set up the Spartans at the Toledo 40 and the short field resulted in an MSU field goal and a 13-0 lead . . . earned the Spartan Defensive Playmaker Player of the Game team award.

SOARES' CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 14[^], vs. Georgia Tech (11/1/25)

Tackles For Loss: 1.5[#], vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12/26)

Sacks: 1[^]#, three times (last vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/12/26)

Pass Break-Up: 1[^]%, six times (last vs. Toledo, 9/4/26)

Interception: 1[#], vs. Toledo (9/4/26)

SOARES' STATISTICS

	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2022 [^]	4/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2023 [^]	12/5	18	19	37	4.0-16	2.0-11	0-0	2	1-0	0
2024 [^]	12/3	13	7	20	1.5-7	0.5-3	0-0	1	0-0	0
2025 %	13/8	35	45	80	4.0-6	0.5-0	0-0	2	1-0	0
2026 #	2/2	2	4	6	1.5-10	1.0-7	1-0	1	0-0	0
Career	43/18	68	75	143	11.0-39	4.0-21	1-0	6	2-0	0

[^] at Northwestern | % at NC State | # at Michigan State

SOARES' GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2023: Northwestern

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Rutgers	0	3	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1-0	0
UTEP	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Duke	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Minnesota	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Penn State	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Howard	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Nebraska	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Maryland	2	2	4	1-4	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Iowa	0	4	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Wisconsin	1	0	1	1-1	1-1	0-0	1	0-0	0
Illinois	1	1	2	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Utah	3	4	7	1-10	1-10	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	18	19	37	4-16	2-11	0-0	2	1-0	0

2024: Northwestern

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Miami (Ohio)	0	2	2	0.5-3	0.5-3	0-0	0	0-0	0
Duke	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Eastern Illinois	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Washington	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Indiana	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Maryland	1	0	1	1-4	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Wisconsin	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Iowa	4	1	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Purdue	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Ohio State	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Michigan	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Illinois	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	13	7	20	1.5-7	0.5-3	0-0	1	0-0	0

2025: NC State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
East Carolina	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Virginia	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Wake Forest	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Duke	2	3	5	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Virginia Tech	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Campbell	2	7	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1-0	0
Notre Dame	4	4	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Pittsburgh	7	5	12	1-3	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Georgia Tech	3	11	14	1-0	0.5-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Miami (Fla.)	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Florida State	4	3	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
North Carolina	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Memphis	5	7	12	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	35	45	80	4-6	0.5-0	0-0	2	1-0	0

2026: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Toledo	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	1-0	1	0-0	0
Eastern Michigan	2	3	5	1.5-10	1.0-7	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	2	4	6	1.5-10	1.0-7	1-0	1	0-0	0

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CHARLES TAPLIN

RED OAK, TEXAS
RED OAK HS

R-FR | WR 6-1 | 184 | RS



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KEAHNIST THOMPSON

LAKELAND, FLA.
LAKELAND HS
UCF (2022)
WEBER STATE (2023-25)

R-SR | EDGE 6-3 | 266 | TR

CAREER NOTES: Redshirt freshman wide receiver in his second season at Michigan State in 2026 after redshirting in 2025.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT FRESHMAN): Has three catches for 65 yards with a 38-yard TD catch, all coming in the Eastern Michigan game . . . erupted on scene with a 38-yard catch for first collegiate TD in Eastern Michigan game, finishing with a career-high three catches for a career-best 65 yards, earning the Offensive Spartan Player of the Game team award . . . did not play in the Toledo game.

TAPLIN'S CAREER HIGHS

Receptions: 3, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12/26)

Receiving Yards: 65, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12/26)

Receiving TD: 1, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12/26)

Longest Reception: 38, vs. Eastern Michigan (9/12/26)

TAPLIN'S STATISTICS

RECEIVING	G/GS	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2025	4/0	1	8	8.0	0	8	2.0
2026	1/0	3	65	21.7	1	38	65.0
Career	5/0	4	73	18.3	1	38	14.6

TAPLIN'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2026: Michigan State

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo		-DNP-		
Eastern Michigan	3	65	1	38
Totals	3	65	1	38

CAREER NOTES: Transfer edge defender from Weber State has one season of eligibility remaining . . . has played in 35 collegiate games (one at UCF in 2022; 32 at Weber State from 2023-25; two at MSU in 2026) . . . started in 20 games (starting 19 at Weber State; has one start at MSU) . . . has recorded 84 tackles, including 13.5 TFLs (68 yards) and 7.5 sacks (53 yards) . . . named to the Shrine Bowl 1000 List and Senior Bowl 300 List as one of the top NFL Draft eligible players entering the 2026 season.

2025 SEASON (REDSHIRT SENIOR): Has played in both games, with one start, logging four tackles, including 1.0 tackle for loss and 0.5 sack, in logging 63 defensive snaps . . . made first start as a Spartan in Eastern Michigan game, tallying three tackles, including 0.5 TFL on 0.5 sack, in notching 34 defensive snaps . . . made Spartan debut in season-opener vs. Toledo, logging one tackle in charting 29 defensive snaps.

THOMPSON'S CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 6⁺, twice (last vs. Arizona ,9/6/25)

Tackles For Loss: 2⁺, vs. Northern Arizona (10/7/23)

Sacks: 2⁺, vs. Northern Arizona (10/7/23)

Pass Break-Ups: 1, vs. Northern Colorado (10/12/24)

THOMPSON'S STATISTICS

	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2022 %	1/0	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2023 ^	11/4	12	17	29	4-26	2.5-21	0-0	0	0-0	0
2024 ^	12/6	11	12	23	1.5-11	0.5-6	0-0	1	0-0	0
2025 ^	9/9	14	13	27	7-30	4.0-26	0-0	0	0-0	0
2026 #	2/1	0	4	4	1.0-1	0.5-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Career	35/20	38	46	84	13.5-68	7.5-53	0-0	1	0-0	0

% at UCF | ^ at Weber State | # at Michigan State

THOMPSON'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2023: Weber State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Central Washington	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Northern Iowa	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Utah	1	3	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Montana State	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Northern Colorado	1	5	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Northern Arizona	2	1	3	2-18	2-18	0-0	0	0-0	0
UC Davis	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Eastern Washington	2	1	3	1-4	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Idaho State	1	2	3	0.5-3	0.5-3	0-0	0	0-0	0
Idaho	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Cal Poly	0	2	2	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	12	17	29	4-26	2.5-21	0-0	0	0-0	0

2024: Weber State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Washington	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Portland State	2	1	3	1.5-11	0.5-6	0-0	0	0-0	0
Lamar	0	4	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Northwestern State	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
McNeese	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Montana	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Northern Colorado	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Sacramento State	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Northern Arizona	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Idaho State	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Idaho	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Cal Poly	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	11	12	23	1.5-11	0.5-6	0-0	1	0-0	0



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THOMPSON'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS {CONT'D}

2025: Weber State									
DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
James Madison	1	2	3	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Arizona	3	3	6	1.5-13	1.5-13	0-0	0	0-0	0
McNeese	0	2	2	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Butler				-DNP-					
UC Davis	0	1	1	0.5-1	0.5-1	0-0	0	0-0	0
Sacramento State				-DNP-					
Portland State				-DNP-					
Eastern Washington	3	1	4	0.5-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Montana	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Montana State	3	1	4	1.5-6	1-5	0-0	0	0-0	0
Idaho State	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Northern Arizona	2	0	2	1-7	1-7	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	14	13	27	7-30	4-26	0-0	0	0-0	0

2026: Michigan State									
DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Toledo	0	1	1	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Eastern Michigan	0	3	3	0.5-0	0.5-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	0	4	4	1.0-1	0.5-0	0-0	0	0-0	0



CAREER NOTES: Third-year running back and two-year letterwinner has rushed for 358 yards and four touchdowns on 80 carries in 22 career games for the Spartans.

2026 SEASON (JUNIOR): Has played in both games, logging four carries for 37 yards ... tallied four rushing attempts for 37 yards in Eastern Michigan game, in seven snaps ... saw limited action in season opener vs. Toledo.

TULLIS' CAREER HIGHS

Rushing Attempts: 14, vs. Minnesota (11/1/25)
Rushing Yards: 56, vs. Iowa (11/22/25)
Rushing TD: 1, four times (last vs. Minnesota, 11/1/25)
Longest Rush: 35, vs. Iowa (11/22/25)
Receiving Yards: 24, vs. Nebraska (10/4/25)
Longest Reception: 24, vs. Nebraska (10/4/25)

TULLIS' STATISTICS

RUSHING	G/GS	ATT	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2024	8/0	7	20	2.9	0	9	2.5
2025	12/2	69	301	4.4	4	35	25.1
2026	2/0	4	37	9.3	0	13	18.5
Career	22/2	80	358	4.5	4	35	16.3

RECEIVING	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2024	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
2025	11	82	7.5	0	24	6.8
2026	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Career	11	82	7.5	0	24	3.7

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TULLIS' GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2025: Michigan State

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Western Michigan	7	52	1	12
Boston College	4	29	0	14
Youngstown State	7	31	1	10
USC	7	16	0	8
Nebraska	5	4	0	5
UCLA	3	5	0	4
Indiana	2	3	0	5
Michigan	2	2	1	1
Minnesota	14	51	1	13
Penn State	1	6	0	6
Iowa	8	56	0	35
Maryland	9	46	0	19
Totals	69	301	4	35

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Western Michigan	0	0	0	0
Boston College	1	6	0	6
Youngstown State	2	10	0	6
USC	0	0	0	0
Nebraska	1	24	0	24
UCLA	1	11	0	11
Indiana	1	10	0	10
Michigan	1	6	0	6
Minnesota	0	0	0	0
Penn State	0	0	0	0
Iowa	1	7	0	7
Maryland	3	8	0	8
Totals	11	82	0	24

2026: Michigan State

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo	0	0	0	0
Eastern Michigan	4	37	0	13
Totals	4	37	0	13

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
Toledo	0	0	0	0
Eastern Michigan	0	0	0	0
Totals	0	0	0	0



CAREER NOTES: Transfer safety from Maine has two seasons of eligibility remaining . . . played in 28 games over the past four seasons (three in 2023, 11 in 2024, 12 in 2025, two in 2026) with the Black Bears . . . has started 25 games . . . has recorded 120 tackles, including 3.5 TFLs (7 yards) . . . has six career interceptions for 103 return yards and nine career pass break-ups.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT JUNIOR): Has started both games at safety, notching 13 tackles, with 1.0 tackle for loss, in charting 96 defensive snaps . . . started Eastern Michigan game and shared team-high honors for second game in a row, with eight tackles, tying linebacker Brady Pretzlaff both games, in logging 52 defensive snaps . . . made Spartan debut in starting Toledo game at safety and sharing top tackle total honors on the team with five stops, in charting 44 defensive snaps.

VAUGHT'S CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 10[^], vs. New Hampshire (11/22/25)

Tackles For Loss: 1[^]#, three times (last vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/12/26)

Interceptions: 1[^], six times (last vs. Elon, 10/25/25)

Pass Break-Ups: 2, vs. Stonehill (9/13/25)

VAUGHT'S STATISTICS

	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2023 [^]	3/0	1	3	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
2024 [^]	11/11	26	17	43	1.5-4	0-0	3-2	3	0-0	0
2025 [^]	12/12	50	10	60	1.0-2	0-0	3-101	5	0-0	0
2026 #	2/2	6	7	13	1.0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Career	28/25	83	37	120	3.5-7	0-0	6-103	9	0-0	0

[^] at Maine | # at Michigan State

VAUGHT'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2024: Maine

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Colgate	0	4	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Montana State	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Monmouth	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Merrimack	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	1-0	0	0-0	0
Albany				-DNP-					
Delaware	1	5	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Villanova	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	1-0	0	0-0	0
Rhode Island	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Oklahoma	6	0	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Bryant	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Elon	5	2	7	0.5-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
New Hampshire	5	2	7	1-2	0-0	1-2	0	0-0	0
Totals	26	17	43	1.5-4	0-0	3-2	3	0-0	0



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VAUGHT'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS {CONT'D}

2025: Maine

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Liberty	8	1	9	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
William & Mary	4	1	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Stonehill	4	2	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0-0	0
Georgia Southern	4	0	4	0-0	0-0	1-76	1	0-0	0
NC AT&T	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Bryant	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Merrimack	4	1	5	0-0	0-0	1-14	0	0-0	0
Elon	7	1	8	0-0	0-0	1-11	0	0-0	0
Stony Brook	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Hampton	4	0	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Rhode Island	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
New Hampshire	7	3	10	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	50	10	60	1-2	0-0	3-101	5	0-0	0

2026: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Toledo	3	2	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Eastern Michigan	3	5	8	1.0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	6	7	13	1.0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0



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CALEB WHEATLAND

CENTREVILLE, VA.
AVALON SCHOOL HS
MARYLAND (2022-24)
AUBURN (2025)

GR-5 | LB 6-1 | 244 | TR

CAREER NOTES: Experienced fifth-year senior linebacker has played in 39 collegiate games during his career . . . played in 35 games at Maryland from 2022-24 . . . played in three games at Auburn in 2025 to preserve redshirt season . . . played in two games at MSU in 2026 . . . has recorded 106 tackles, including 15.0 TFLs (72 yards) and 7.5 sacks (56 yards), along with three pass break-ups and one fumble recovery, in his career . . . has played over 900 career snaps on defense and 320 plays on special teams . . . enrolled at Michigan State in January 2026 for the spring semester.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT SENIOR): Has played in both games, posting five stops with 0.5 tackle for loss, in charting 51 defensive snaps . . . logged four tackles with 0.5 TFL in Eastern Michigan game, notching 29 snaps . . . made Spartan debut in Toledo game, tallying one tackle in logging 22 defensive snaps.

WHEATLAND'S CAREER HIGHS

Tackles: 7[^], vs. USC (10/19/24)
Tackles For Loss: 2[^], twice (last vs. Indiana, 9/28/24)
Sacks: 1.5[^], vs. Michigan State (9/23/23)
Pass Break-Up: 1[^], three times (last vs. USC, 10/19/24)

WHEATLAND'S STATISTICS

	G/GS	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
2022 [^]	11/1	14	3	17	2-3	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2023 [^]	13/0	23	18	41	5.5-29	3.5-24	0-0	1	0-0	0
2024 [^]	11/11	24	18	42	7-39	4-32	0-0	2	1-0	0
2025 %	3/0	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
2026 #	2/0	1	4	5	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Career	40/12	63	43	106	15.0-72	7.5-56	0-0	3	1-0	0

[^] at Maryland | % at Auburn | # at Michigan State



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LUKA VINCIC

BOTHELL, WASH.
BOTHELL HS
OREGON STATE (2022-24)

R-SR | OL 6-5 | 306 | SQ

CAREER NOTES: Fifth-year senior offensive lineman enters his second season at Michigan State in 2026 . . . spent three seasons at Oregon State (2022-24) before transferring to MSU in January 2025 . . . has played in 24 career games (20 at Oregon State, four at MSU) . . . his cousin, Branko Vincic, played in the Canadian Football League (CFL).

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT SENIOR): Has played in both games, charting 33 snaps . . . logged 15 snaps in Eastern Michigan game . . . returned to action in season-opener vs. Toledo after missing the final 10 games of 2025 season with an injury, logging 18 snaps.

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WHEATLAND'S GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

2022: Maryland

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Buffalo	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Charlotte	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
SMU	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Michigan	4	2	6	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Michigan State	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Purdue	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Indiana	1	0	1	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Northwestern	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Wisconsin	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Rutgers	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
NC State	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	14	3	17	2-3	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0

2023: Maryland

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Towson	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Charlotte	5	1	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Virginia	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Michigan State	1	3	4	1.5-15	1.5-15	0-0	0	0-0	0
Indiana	3	1	4	2-9	1-8	0-0	0	0-0	0
Ohio State	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Illinois	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Northwestern	1	3	4	1-4	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Penn State	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Nebraska	0	3	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Michigan	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Rutgers	1	3	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Auburn	5	0	5	1-1	1-1	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	23	18	41	5.5-29	3.5-24	0-0	1	0-0	0

2024: Maryland

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
UConn	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Michigan State	2	3	5	1.5-11	1-9	0-0	0	0-0	0
Virginia	1	4	5	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Villanova	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Indiana	5	1	6	2-12	1-11	0-0	1	1-0	0
Northwestern	2	0	2	1-2	1-2	0-0	0	0-0	0
USC	5	2	7	1-3	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0
Minnesota	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Oregon	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Rutgers	4	1	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Iowa	3	2	5	1-10	1-10	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	24	18	42	7-39	4-32	0-0	2	1-0	0

2025: Auburn

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Ball State	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
South Alabama	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Mercer	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0

2026: Michigan State

DEFENSE	UT	AT	TM	TFL	SACKS	INT	PBU	FR	FF
Toledo	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Eastern Michigan	0	4	4	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0
Totals	1	4	5	0.5-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0



CAREER NOTES: Second-year player redshirted his first season in East Lansing . . . competed at wide receiver during spring practice after playing both running back and wide receiver in 2025 . . . high school teammates with fellow Spartan freshmen Antonio Johnson, Darrin Jones Jr., Jayden Savoury and DJ White.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT FRESHMAN): Has played in both games, with two targets . . . was targeted on one pass in Eastern Michigan game, logging 38 offensive snaps . . . saw action in Toledo game, with one target in charting 15 snaps

WILLIAMS' CAREER HIGHS

Rushing Attempts: 1, twice (last vs. Maryland, 11/29/25)

Rushing Yards: 14, vs. Maryland (11/29/25)

Longest Rush: 14, vs. Maryland (11/29/25)

Receiving Yards: 8, vs. Indiana (10/18/25)

Longest Reception: 8, vs. Indiana (10/18/25)

WILLIAMS' STATISTICS

RUSHING	G/GS	ATT	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2025	4/0	2	20	10.0	0	14	5.0
2026	2/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Career	6/0	2	20	10.0	0	14	3.3

RECEIVING	REC.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LG	YPG
2025	1	8	8.0	0	8	2.0
2026	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Career	1	8	8.0	0	8	1.3



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ROBERT WRIGHT JR.

ATLANTA, GA.
STOCKBRIDGE HS
GEORGIA SOUTHERN (2023-25)

R-JR | OL 6-4 | 294 | TR

CAREER NOTES: Transfer from Georgia Southern spent the past three seasons (2023-25) with the Eagles . . . has played in 17 games, making 11 starts (played 15 games at right tackle at Georgia Southern, including 11 starting assignments; has played in two games at MSU) . . . enrolled at Michigan State in January 2026 for the spring semester.

2026 SEASON (REDSHIRT JUNIOR): Has played in both games, charting 74 snaps . . . saw action in Eastern Michigan game, notching 41 snaps . . . made Spartan debut in season-opener vs. Toledo and saw action on both offense and special teams, logging 33 offensive snaps.



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Date	Opponent		Score	Overall	Conf	Time	Attend
09/04/2026	Toledo	W	30-20	1-0	0-0	3:36	72083
09/12/2026	Eastern Mich.	W	35-7	2-0	0-0	3:06	70712

Opponent	Score	First Downs				Rushing Number-Yards	Passing		Total Offense Plays-Yards	Return Yards	Turn- Overs
		Total	Rush	Pass	Pen		Comp-Att.-Int	Yards			
Toledo	30-20	26 / 10	9 / 2	14 / 6	3 / 2	49-150 / 20-77	26-34-0 / 12-21-1	247 / 196	83-397 / 41-273	77 / 23	0 / 1
Eastern Mich.	35-7	24 / 13	13 / 10	10 / 2	1 / 1	45-258 / 26-101	18-26-0 / 16-26-0	214 / 118	71-472 / 52-219	31 / 42	1 / 1
Totals	65-27	50 / 23	22 / 12	24 / 8	4 / 3	94-408 / 46-178	44-60-0 / 28-47-1	461 / 314	154-869 / 93-492	108 / 65	1 / 2



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		Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot			
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp	att	int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	off	
09/04/2026	Toledo	49	150	1	17	26	247	1	26	26-34-0				247	1	26	1	47	0	47	3	30	0	13	397
09/12/2026	Eastern Mich.	45	258	3	40	18	214	2	46	18-26-0				214	2	46	0	0	0	0	1	31	0	31	472
Michigan St.		94	408	4	40	44	461	3	46	44-60-0				461	3	46	1	47	0	47	4	61	0	31	869
Opponents		46	178	2	71	28	314	2	60	28-47-1				314	2	60	3	65	0	28	0	0	0	0	492

Michigan St. Averages

Games	Avg/ rush	Avg/ catch	Pass effc	KR avg	PR avg	All purpose avg/game	Total offense avg/game
2	4.3	10.5	154.4	47.0	15.3	488.5	434.5

		Tackles				Sacks	Fumble	Pass Defense			blkd	PAT attempts			off			
Date	Opponent	ua	a	total	tfl-yds	no-yds	ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
09/04/2026	Toledo	22	18	40	6.0-33	2-18	0	0-0	1-0	3	4	0	1-1	0	1	0	3	30
09/12/2026	Eastern Mich.	14	56	70	7.0-30	4-23	1	1-0	0-0	6	3	0	5-5	0	0	0	7	35
Michigan St.		36	74	110	13.0-63	6-41	1	1-0	1-0	9	7	0	6-6	0	1	0	10	65
Opponents		66	122	188	12.0-42	5-30	2	1-0	0-0	5	6	1	3-3	0	0	0	0	27

		Punting										Field Goals			Kickoffs				
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	
09/04/2026	Toledo	1	44	44.0	44	0	0	1	0	1	5-6	51	1	7	455	65.0	6	0	
09/12/2026	Eastern Mich.	2	101	50.5	59	0	1	0	1	1	0-0	0	0	6	382	63.7	4	0	
Michigan St.		3	145	48.3	59	0	1	1	1	2	5-6	51	1	13	837	64.4	10	0	
Opponents		10	432	43.2	52	0	2	3	1	1	0-1	0	0	6	309	51.5	2	0	



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		Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot			
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp	att	int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	off	
09/04/2026	Toledo	20	77	1	71	12	196	2	60	12-21-1				196	2	60	1	23	0	23	0	0	0	0	273
09/12/2026	Eastern Mich.	26	101	1	20	16	118	0	22	16-26-0				118	0	22	2	42	0	28	0	0	0	0	219
Opponents		46	178	2	71	28	314	2	60	28-47-1				314	2	60	3	65	0	28	0	0	0	0	492
Michigan St.		94	408	4	40	44	461	3	46	44-60-0				461	3	46	1	47	0	47	4	61	0	31	869

Opponents Averages

Games	Avg/ rush	Avg/ catch	Pass effc	KR avg	PR avg	All purpose avg/game	Total offense avg/game
2	3.9	11.2	125.5	21.7	0.0	278.5	246.0

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks		Fumble		Pass Defense			blkd	PAT attempts				off	
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds	no	yds	ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup	kick	kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
09/04/2026	Toledo	46	50	96	5.0-30	3	24	1	0-0	0-0	2	3	1	2-2	0	0	0	0	20
09/12/2026	Eastern Mich.	20	72	92	7.0-12	2	6	1	1-0	0-0	3	3	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	7
Opponents		66	122	188	12.0-42	5	30	2	1-0	0-0	5	6	1	3-3	0	0	0	0	27
Michigan St.		36	74	110	13.0-63	6	41	1	1-0	1-0	9	7	0	6-6	0	1	0	10	65

		Punting										Field Goals			Kickoffs				
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	
09/04/2026	Toledo	4	184	46.0	49	0	0	1	0	0	0-1	0	0	4	179	44.8	0	0	
09/12/2026	Eastern Mich.	6	248	41.3	52	0	2	2	1	1	0-0	0	0	2	130	65.0	2	0	
Opponents		10	432	43.2	52	0	2	3	1	1	0-1	0	0	6	309	51.5	2	0	
Michigan St.		3	145	48.3	59	0	1	1	1	2	5-6	51	1	13	837	64.4	10	0	



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Team Statistics

	MSU	OPP
Scoring	65	27
Points per game	32.5	13.5
Points Off Turnovers	10	0
First Downs	50	23
Rushing	22	12
Passing	24	8
Penalty	4	3
Rushing Yardage	408	178
Yards gained rushing	453	235
Yards lost rushing	45	57
Rushing attempts	94	46
Average per rush	4.3	3.9
Average per game	204.0	89.0
TDs Rushing	4	2
Passing Yardage	461	314
Comp-Att-Int	44-60-0	28-47-1
Average per pass	7.7	6.7
Average per catch	10.5	11.2
Average per game	230.5	157.0
TDs Passing	3	2
Total offense	869	492
Total plays	154	93
Average per play	5.6	5.3
Average per game	434.5	246.0
Kick returns: #-Yards	1-47	3-65
Punt returns: #-Yards	4-61	0-0
Int returns: #-Yards	1-0	0-0
Kick return average	47.0	21.7
Punt return average	15.3	0.0
Int return average	0.0	0.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	8-75	10-51
Average per game	37.5	25.5
Punts-Yards	3-145	10-432
Average per punt	48.3	43.2
Net punt average	41.7	33.1
Kickoffs-Yards	13-837	6-309
Average per kick	64.4	51.5
Net kick average	40.2	34.2
Time of possession / game	37:19	22:41
3rd-down conversion	16/33	7/21
3rd-down pct	48%	33%
4th-down conversion	5/6	0/1



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	MSU	OPP
4th-down pct	83%	0%
Sacks by-Yards	6-41	5-30
Misc Yards	0	0
Touchdowns scored	7	4
Field goals - attempts	5-6	0-1
On-Side kicks	0-0	0-0
Red-zone scores	(8-9) 89%	(2-2) 100%
Red-zone touchdowns	(6-9) 67%	(2-2) 100%
PAT-attempts	(6-6) 100%	(3-3) 100%
2-point conversion-attempts	(1-1) 100%	(0-1) 0%
Attendance	142795	0
Games / Avg per game	2/71398	0/0
Neutral site games	-	0/0

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
Michigan St.	17	16	14	18	0	65
Opponents	0	14	7	6	0	27



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Rushing

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Cam Edwards	2	48	258	8	250	5.2	3	40	125.0
Jaziun Patterson	2	10	48	2	46	4.6	1	14	23.0
Marvis Parrish	2	10	40	1	39	3.9	0	15	19.5
Brandon Tullis	2	4	37	0	37	9.3	0	13	18.5
Cam Fancher	2	3	11	0	11	3.7	0	5	5.5
Alessio Milivojevic	2	13	39	30	9	0.7	0	13	4.5
Kenneth Williams	2	1	8	0	8	8.0	0	8	4.0
Zion Gist	1	3	8	3	5	1.7	0	8	5.0
Chrishon McCray	2	1	4	0	4	4.0	0	4	2.0
Team	2	1	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	0	-0.5
Total	2	94	453	45	408	4.3	4	40	204.0
Opponents	2	46	235	57	178	3.9	2	71	89.0

Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Alessio Milivojevic	2	153.6	38-54-0	70.4	417	3	46	208.5
Cam Fancher	2	161.6	6-6-0	100.0	44	0	17	22.0
Total	2	154.4	44-60-0	73.3	461	3	46	230.5
Opponents	2	125.5	28-47-1	59.6	314	2	60	157.0

Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Chrishon McCray	2	10	79	7.9	0	20	39.5
Rodney Bullard Jr.	2	10	116	11.6	1	26	58.0
Jayden Savoury	2	8	99	12.4	0	46	49.5
Fredrick Moore	2	4	43	10.8	1	18	21.5
Cam Edwards	2	3	12	4.0	0	7	6.0
Charles Taplin	1	3	65	21.7	1	38	65.0
Braylon Collier	1	2	23	11.5	0	17	23.0
Kai Rios	2	1	5	5.0	0	5	2.5
Brennan Parachek	2	1	10	10.0	0	10	5.0
KK Smith	2	1	10	10.0	0	10	5.0
Marvis Parrish	2	1	-1	-1.0	0	0	-0.5
Total	2	44	461	10.5	3	46	230.5
Opponents	2	28	314	11.2	2	60	157.0

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Chrishon McCray	4	61	15.3	0	31
Total	4	61	15.3	0	31
Opponents	0	0	0.0	0	0

Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Kenny Soares, Jr.	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	1	0	0.0	0	0
Opponents	0	0	0.0	0	0

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Kenneth Williams	1	47	47.0	0	47
Total	1	47	47.0	0	47
Opponents	3	65	21.7	0	28

Fumbles Recovered

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Charles Brantley	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	1	0	0.0	0	0
Opponents	1	0	0.0	0	0



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Scoring

Player	td	fg	PAT						pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass	dxp	saf	
Liam Boyd	-	5-6	6-6	-	-	-	-	-	21
Cam Edwards	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Rodney Bullard Jr.	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	8
Jaziun Patterson	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Fredrick Moore	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Charles Taplin	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	7	5-6	6-6	0	1	1	0	0	65
Opponents	4	0-1	3-3	0	0	0	0	0	27

Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Liam Boyd	5-6	83.3	0-0	0-0	2-2	2-2	1-2	51	1
Opponents	0-1	0.0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0	0

FG Sequence

Team Name	Michigan St.	Opponents
Toledo	(32),(42),(48),(35),54,(51)	41
Eastern Mich.		

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made

Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Alessio Milivojevic	2	67	9	417	426	213.0
Cam Edwards	2	48	250	0	250	125.0
Cam Fancher	2	9	11	44	55	27.5
Jaziun Patterson	2	10	46	0	46	23.0
Marvis Parrish	2	10	39	0	39	19.5
Brandon Tullis	2	4	37	0	37	18.5
Kenneth Williams	2	1	8	0	8	4.0
Zion Gist	1	3	5	0	5	5.0
Chrishon McCray	2	1	4	0	4	2.0
Team	2	0	-1	0	-1	-0.5
Total	2	154	408	461	869	434.5
Opponents	2	93	178	314	492	246.0

Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Rhys Dakin	3	145	48.3	59	1	1	2	1	0
Total	3	145	48.3	59	1	1	2	1	0
Opponents	10	432	43.2	52	2	3	1	1	0

Kickoffs

Player	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydl
Liam Boyd	13	837	64.4	10	0			
Total	13	837	64.4	10	0	3	40.2	24
Opponents	6	309	51.5	2	0	1	34.2	30

All Purpose

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Cam Edwards	2	250	12	0	0	0	262	131.0
Chrishon McCray	2	4	79	61	0	0	144	72.0
Rodney Bullard Jr.	2	0	116	0	0	0	116	58.0
Jayden Savoury	2	0	99	0	0	0	99	49.5
Charles Taplin	1	0	65	0	0	0	65	65.0
Kenneth Williams	2	8	0	0	47	0	55	27.5
Jaziun Patterson	2	46	0	0	0	0	46	23.0
Fredrick Moore	2	0	43	0	0	0	43	21.5
Marvis Parrish	2	39	-1	0	0	0	38	19.0
Brandon Tullis	2	37	0	0	0	0	37	18.5
Braylon Collier	1	0	23	0	0	0	23	23.0
Cam Fancher	2	11	0	0	0	0	11	5.5
Brennan Parachek	2	0	10	0	0	0	10	5.0
KK Smith	2	0	10	0	0	0	10	5.0
Alessio Milivojevic	2	9	0	0	0	0	9	4.5
Kai Rios	2	0	5	0	0	0	5	2.5
Zion Gist	1	5	0	0	0	0	5	5.0
Team	2	-1	0	0	0	0	-1	-0.5
Total	2	408	461	61	47	0	977	488.5
Opponents	2	178	314	0	65	0	557	278.5