

LEFT TACKLE

78 Bryce Quigley

6-5 • 295 • Jr.-2L CGP: 36; CGS: 24
Apple Valley, Calif. (Granite Hills High)

Notes: '12 - Black; Career - Red; Personal - Gold
Made the move to offensive line in the spring after playing the past two seasons as a blocking tight end ... Gained 35 pounds on the process ... Ended an earning honorable-mention All-Mountain West honors ... Made his debut at the position in the opener vs. Washington ... Coaching staff has been happy with his quick adjustment to the offensive line ... Has played in 36 straight games, starting 24 times, including all 12 this year at left tackle ... In his career, he has 14 catches for 130 yards and a touchdown ... Career-high four receptions for 32 yards vs. Washington State ... Named in the 2010 signing class to log a start that season ... Collegiate debut came at Missouri ... First reception was a touchdown on fourth down vs. Utah State ... Majoring in civil engineering ... Conference all-academic and scholar-athlete.

BACKUP

66 Riley Gauld

6-5 • 300 • Sr.-1L CGP: 12; CGS: 7
Santa Ynez, Calif. (Allan Hancock College)

Notes: Has played in 10 games, starting at LG vs. UH, CSU, NV, UNLV, BSU & AFA ... Completed in 2 games in 2011, inc. his 1st-ever start at CSU ... Was a RS in 2010 ... Two-time all-conference at Allan Hancock ... Majoring in history.

LEFT GUARD

65 Japheth Gordon

6-3 • 295 • Jr.-SQ CGP: 6; CGS: 6
Canyon Country, Calif. (Canyon High)

Notes: '12 - Black; Career - Red; Personal - Gold
Pronounced: JAW-phet (like prophel) ... Started the first five games of the season at left guard and again at Wyoming in the regular season finale ... Missed the six games in between, mainly because of a foot injury ... Made his first career start and played in the fourth game of his career against Washington ... It was his first game action since the opening contest of the 2011 campaign ... Helped SDSU run for 292 yards against North Dakota ... After missing six straight games, came back at Wyoming and helped the Aztecs rush for 400 yards (second most in its D-I history) and four touchdowns ... Saw playing time last season against Cal Poly and saw action in 2010 against Nicholls State and UNLV ... A social science major who is working on a minor in geology ... Born in Hawaii but attended high school in Canyon County, Calif.

BACKUP

66 Riley Gauld

6-5 • 300 • Sr.-1L CGP: 12; CGS: 7
Santa Ynez, Calif. (Allan Hancock College)

Notes: Has played in 10 games, starting at LG vs. UH, CSU, NV, UNLV, BSU & AFA ... Completed in 2 games in 2011, inc. his 1st-ever start at CSU ... Was a RS in 2010 ... Two-time all-conference at Allan Hancock ... Majoring in history.

CENTER

71 Alec Johnson

6-3 • 300 • Sr.-2L CGP: 43; CGS: 41
Denver, Colo. (J.K. Mullen High)

Notes: '11 - Black; Career - Red; Personal - Gold
On the Rimington Award preseason watch list for the nation's top center ... Played at the guard position his 1st 2 seasons before changing over to center prior to 2011 ... Started 25 consecutive games at center; 38 straight overall & slated to make his 42nd career start on the offensive line Thursday vs. BYU ... Named a second-team All-MW pick for the second straight season ... Broke his snapping hand (right) for the 2nd straight year vs. North Dakota & started with his left hand until it was healed (before UNLV) ... Snapped at 13 games at the position last season despite breaking his right hand in the opener vs. Cal Poly ... Started two injury games in 2010 ... Started at J.K. Mullen High along with backup center Jimmy Miller ... Helped his team to a 25-2 record & a 14-0 mark in conference his first 2 seasons ... Recruited as a center coming out of high school ... MV all-academic team member & SDSU scholar-athlete ... Is majoring in business.

BACKUP

51 Jimmy Miller

6-3 • 290 • Sr.-SQ CGP: 8; CGS: 0
Denver, Colo. (J.K. Mullen High)

Notes: Logged time vs. Army, SJSU, UH, CSU & AFA ... Played in opener last year vs. Cal Poly ... Played his first 2 games as a reserve in 2010 vs. Nicholls & UNLV ... Did not see time in 2009 or 2008 (RS) ... A social science major.

RIGHT GUARD

68 Nik Embemate

6-4 • 300 • Sr.-3L CGP: 45; CGS: 45
Yucaipa, Calif. (Yucaipa High)

Notes: '11 - Black; Career - Red; Personal - Gold
Pronounced: ember-not.EE ... Has a team-high 44 career starts, including every game this season ... He is a three-year starter at right guard who has helped the Aztecs to post three consecutive 2,000-yard rushing seasons ... This year, SDSU set a school record with 2,750 rushing yards (with still the BYU game to go) ... Named a first-team All-MW selection ... Started 45 of the last 46 games (missing the 2011 Colorado State game due to injury) ... Starts by season: 12 in 2012, 12 in 2011, 13 in 2010, 8 in 2009 ... Earned the team's outstanding freshman award (2009) ... Part of the 2008 recruiting class, but did not report to campus until the spring of 2009 ... A social science major ... A two-time first-team all-county selection in high school ... Also completed in track and field as a prep, throwing the shot put and the discus.

BACKUP

51 Jimmy Miller

6-3 • 290 • Sr.-SQ CGP: 7; CGS: 0
Denver, Colo. (J.K. Mullen High)

Notes: Logged time vs. Army, SJSU, UH & CSU ... Played in opener last year vs. Cal Poly ... Played his first 2 games as a reserve in 2010 vs. Nicholls & UNLV ... Did not see time in 2009 or 2008 (RS) ... A social science major.

RIGHT TACKLE

64 Zach Dilley

6-5 • 295 • So.-SQ CGP: 12; CGS: 12
Sun Valley, Calif. (Paloma Valley High)

Notes: '12 - Black; Career - Red; Personal - Gold
Had first career 12 starts in first career 12 games this season ... Helped Aztecs set a school record with 2,750 rushing yards ... Played in 1st career game with 1st career start in the opener at Washington ... Started again vs. Army as SDSU rushed for 228 yds & 4 TDs ... Helped the Aztecs run for 292 yds vs. North Dakota ... Team carried 275 yds in win vs. UNLV ... Also started vs. San Jose St., Fresno St., Hawaii, Colorado St., Nevada, Boise St. & Air Force ... Team had 400 yards (No. 2 in D-I era) at Wyoming ... In his 3rd season in the program after reestablishing in 2010 & earning a spot on the depth chart in 2011 ... Earned 3rd-team all-state honors by CalSJSports.com as a prep senior at Paloma Valley HS ... Rated as the 59th-best prospect nationally at his position by Rivals.com ... The same service listed him as the first best offensive tackle prospect in the state of California ... His mother played college volleyball ... A business major.

BACKUP

69 Paul Rodriguez

6-7 • 285 • Fr.-RS CGP: 3; CGS: 0
San Bernardino, Calif. (San Geronimo High)

Notes: Played in first-ever game vs. Army ... Also played vs. Hawaii & vs. CSU ... RS in 2011 as a true freshman ... Was rated as the 173rd overall OL recruit by ESPN.com ... Played both sides of the ball in HS & earned all-league honors on offense.

TIGHT END

88 Gavin Escobar

6-6 • 255 • Jr.-2L CGP: 38; CGS: 23
R. Santa Margarita, Calif. (Santa Margarita High)

2012 Stats:

G	No.	Yds	TD	Avg.
12	41	519	6	12.7

Notes: Named a Mackey Award semifinalist ... Three-time All-MW (first team in 2011-12) ... Fantastic receiver with great hands ... 5 rec., 117 yards, TD vs. UNLV ... 5 rec., 46 yards, TD vs. SJSU ... 5 rec., 39 yds, 2 TD at NV ... 4 rec., 108 yds, TD vs. UNLV ... Three-time All-American (honorable mention in 2011-12, freshman AA in 2010) ... Career numbers: 121 catches, 1,622 yards, 17 TDs ... 4, 100-yd receiving games ... Public admin major ... Scholar-athlete ... Born in New York, N.Y.

BACKUP

85 D.J. Shields

6-4 • 240 • Sr.-3L CGP: 44; CGS: 8
Bonita, Calif. (Bonita Vista High)

2012 Stats:

G	No.	Yds	TD	Avg.
12	6 <td>50</td> <td>1</td> <td>9.3</td>	50	1	9.3

Notes: Excellent TE who played in every game during the 2009 & 2010 seasons, all 12 so far in 2012 ... Had 3 rec., 18 yards & TD at Fresno State ... Missed time last season due to a broken foot ... Scholar-athlete, posted a 4.0 GPA to earn SDSU Malik Award ... Civil engineer major.

ALSO: No. 44 Adam Roberts (6-2, 220, So.-1L) (see FB)

OFFENSE

2012 Statistics	Average	NCAA	MW
Category	35.08	28	3
Scoring	407.75	27	4
Total Offense	229.17	16	4
Passing Offense	178.58	10	8
Passing Efficiency	144.03	32	6

► **OVERALL:** SDSU ranks 28th in scoring offense (35.08) & 57th in total offense (407.74). San Diego State has scored 409 points in its last 11 games ... The Aztecs have 421 points through the first 12 games, the highest output to open a campaign since the 1996 squad had 428 through 11 games ... SDSU scored 52 points against Hawai'i, its highest output since posting 52 vs. Portland St. (Sept. 22, 2007) ... It was the most points against a FBS opponent since scoring 52 vs. San Jose St. on Sept. 24, 2005 ... San Diego State has scored 30 or more points in 12 of the last 16 games dating back to last year ... The Aztecs did not have a turnover in 4 of their last 11 games & have 1 or less in 13 of the last 20 games.

► **OFFENSIVE RUSHING:** SDSU ranks 16th in rushing offense (229.17), 25th in rushing yards per carry (5.1), 123rd in rushing TDs (30) ... San Diego State has rushed for 2,371 yards in the first 10 games (237.1 ypp) ... The Aztecs have 2,750 rushing yards this year, the highest mark in the Division I era ... Since the beginning of 2010 (last 38 games), SDSU has 87 rushing TDs (tied with Stanford for the 22nd-highest total during that time frame) ... San Diego State has at least 1 rushing TD in a school-record 20 consecutive games, dating back to the Oct. 8, 2011 contest vs. TCU, & has 28 rushing TDs in the last 11 games ... Earlier this year vs. North Dakota, & UNLV, for the 15th & 16th time in school history, the Aztecs had 2 players (Adam Muema & Walter Kazez) rush for 100 or more yards, the second time in its Division I history that SDSU has had the same duo each break 100-yard total during that time frame ... In 2009, SDSU had 1998 when Lewis and Ned did it ... San Diego State rushed for 400 rushing yards at Wyoming on Nov. 24, its 2nd most in the Division I era, 7th-most overall & most since recording 430 on Sept. 14, 1991 vs. Pacific.

► **OFFENSIVE PASSING:** The Aztecs rank 102nd in passing offense (178.58) & 36th in pass efficiency (144.03). SDSU had just 1 interception in its first 6 games this season & have just 4 in the last 7 games combined ... Earlier this year, Ryan Katz threw 91 consecutive passes without an interception ... That was the first time San Diego State has gone 3 straight games without an interception in the same season since 2005 ... Against North Dakota, Ryan Katz produced the 7th-highest single-game passing efficiency rating in school history at 228.58 ... The Aztecs completed 19 of 24 passes at Wyoming, the highest completion percentage (79.17) since Aug. 31, 2006 & the 7th highest in the Division I era ... During the last 27 games, SDSU has 50 passing TDs with just 15 interceptions ... San Diego State has just 8 interceptions in the past 14 games combined.

Offensive Coaching Staff/Game Day Assignments
F. Head Coach: Rocky Long (New Mexico '74)
F. Off. Coordinator/TEs: Andy Ludwig (Portland State '88)
Asst. HC/Rushing Backs: Jeff Horton (Nevada '81)
F. Wide Receivers: LeCharis McDaniel (Cal Poly '81)
F. Offensive Line: Mike Schmidt (San Diego State '09)
F. Quarterbacks: Brian Sipe (San Diego State)
Game day location: F - indicates field; P - indicates press box.

SPECIALISTS

43 Chance Marden

Placekicker • 6-1 • 175 • Sr.-HS
Fremont, Calif. (Washington High)

2012 Stats:

FG/A	Pct.	Long	Blk.	PA/5
8-12	66.7	46	0	51-52

2012 Stats:

G	No.	Avg.	Long	50+	100
10	35	41.9	66	11	12

Punter • 5-11 • 190 • Fr.-HS
San Diego, Calif. (St. Augustine High)

► **Other Specialists**
Kickoffs: 17 Seamus McMorrow, 5-11, 190, Fr.-HS
Long Snapper: 60 Jeff Overbaugh, 6-2, 240, Fr.-HS
Holder: 6 Adam Dingwell, 6-4, 210, So.-1L
Kick Returns: 24 Colin Lockett and 33 Brandon Wright
Punt Returns: 41 Tim Vizzi

X RECEIVER

3 Ezell Ruffin

6-1 • 205 • So.-SQ CGP: 11; CGS: 3
Long Beach, Calif. (Woodrow Wilson High)

2012 Stats:

G	No.	Yds	TD	Avg.
11	16	292	0	18.2

Notes: Excellent combination of speed & hands ... Has 16 receptions for 252 yards (18.2 average per catch) in his first season ... Played in 11 games with 3 starts ... Had a breakout game in the home opener vs. Army, catching 5 passes for 132 yds ... Had a combined 6 catches for 83 yds vs. FS & UH, despite playing with a broken hand ... Missed the CSU game with an injury ... Returned to action at NV & had a 30-yd catch late in the 4th quarter that led to Chance Marden's game-tying FG ... Grabbed 3 balls for 36 yds vs. AFA ... Moved from RB to WR late in the 2010 fall camp ... Did not play in 2011, redshirted in 2010 ... Was a two-way player at Woodrow Wilson High ... Plans to major in sociology.

ALSO: No. 18 Dominique Sandifer (6-0, 195, Sr.-2L)

BACKUP

19 Brice Butler

6-3 • 205 • Sr.-TR CGP: 48; CGS: 14
Norcross, Ga. (USC)

Notes: Earned his degree from USC & is now in grad school at SDSU ... Has played in all 12 games, recording 23 catches for 343 yds & 4 TDs, starting in the past 8 ... Has a catch in 10 straight games ... 3 rec. for 66 yds & a TD vs. ND ... 3 rec. for 39 yds & a TD at FS ... 36-yd TD catch vs. UH ... 3 rec. for 43 yds & a TD vs. CSU ... 4 rec. each at NV & vs. UNLV ... Has 64 career rec. for 897 yds & 7 TDs ... His father, Bobby, was an All-American CB at Florida St. & played for 12 years with the Atlanta Falcons.

QUARTERBACK

6 Adam Dingwell

6-4 • 210 • So.-1L CGP: 15; CGS: 4
Rockwall, Texas (Rockwall High)

2012 Passing Stats:

G	Eff.	Att.	Comp.	Int.	Pct.	Yds	TD
12	135.81	115	71	4	61.74	795	8

Notes: Dual-threat signal caller ... Had a breakout game at Nevada after coming in for an injured Ryan Katz, & leading the Aztecs to a come-from-behind win ... Also has 35 rushes for 96 yds & a TD ... Had a 7-yd TD rush vs. Army ... Was 2-for-4 for 28 yds vs. UH (1st career completion) ... Was 14-for-23 for 177 yds & 3 TDs off the bench in the win at NV ... Also had 26 rushing yds ... Was 13-for-26 for 231 yds & 2 TDs vs. UNLV ... 12-for-18 for 106 yds at BSU ... 11-for-18 for 80 yds & 2 TDs at AFA ... Was 19-for-24 for 164 yds & 2 TDs at WYO ... Also had a career-high 46 rushing yds on 4 rushes ... Red-shirted in 2010 ... Team's offensive scout player of the year ... Was thrown for 1,665 yds & 10 TDs as a senior & 1,833 yds & 16 scores as a junior at Rockwall High ... Business major.

BACKUP

12 Jake Bernards

6-5 • 215 • Jr.-SQ CGP: 2; CGS: 0
Valencia, Calif. (West Ranch High)

2012 Stats:

G	Att.	Comp.	Yds	TD
0	0	0	0	0

Notes: Moved up to No. 2 on the depth chart by the end of the 2011 season ... DNP in 2011 ... Has 1-for-1 for 10 yds in 2010 ... RS in 2009 ... Two-time all-league pick at West Ranch High ... Had 1,655 passing yds, as a senior ... Also excelled in baseball ... Exercise and nutritional sciences major.

FULLBACK

40 Chad Young

5-10 • 230 • Jr.-2L CGP: 37; CGS: 17
La Verne, Calif. (Glendora High)

2012 Stats:

G	Att.	Yds	TD	Avg.	No.	Yds	TD
11	2	13	0	6.5	17	100	3

Notes: '11 - Black; Career - Red; Personal - Gold
Hard-nosed fullback who specializes in blocking ... Has played in 30 consecutive games ... Has 17 catches for 100 yards this year, including a 8-yard TD reception vs. Army, a 7-yard TD vs. CSU & a 2-yard TD vs. Air Force ... Career-high 3 receptions at Boise State and vs. AFA ... A former walk-on who was awarded a scholarship prior to the start of the 2011 season ... First career TD in his first catch vs. TCU last year ... Also had a 9-yd run vs. TCU & FF on punt coverage ... Appeared in 12 contests in 2010 ... Redshirted in 2009 ... Is a criminal justice major ... SDSU scholar-athlete ... Played at the same high school as RS freshman QB Chad Jeffries.

BACKUP

44 Adam Roberts

6-3 • 235 • So.-1L CGP: 22; CGS: 8
El Paso, Texas (Coronado High)

2012 Stats:

G	No.	Yds	TD	Avg.
12	2	19	1	9.5

Notes: Is listed as No. 2 on the depth chart at TE, but also plays some FB ... Has 8 starts at TE with 2 catches ... Caught the GW 2-pt. conversion at NV ... 6-yd TD catch at WYO ... Played in 10 games as a true freshman in 2011 ... First-team all-district 1st-team all-wk 2 straight years ... Physics major.

RUNNING BACK

4 Adam Muema

5-10 • 205 • So.-1L CGP: 18; CGS: 13
Covina, Calif. (Charter Oak HS)

2012 Stats:

G	Att.	Yds	TD	Avg.	No.	Yds	TD
12	211	1,355	16	6.4	8	113	1

Notes: 2nd-team All-MW ... 1,355 rushing yds, the 8th most ever by an Aztec in a single season ... 16 rushing TDs (7-TDs at SDSU) & 17 overall scores (8th at SDSU) ... Ranks 16th in the country in rushing (112.92) & 3rd among sophom ... Has 7 career 100-yd rushing games (6 in 2012) ... 124 yds & a TD vs. UNLV ... Became 18th Aztec with 200-plus rushing yds with 202 vs. SJSU ... 105 yds & 2 TDs vs. CSU ... 143 yds vs. UNLV ... 127 yds & TD at NV, 19 BSU ... Career-high 259 yds (8th most at SDSU) & 4 TDs at WYO (named MW Co-Off POW) ... Rushed for 119 yds with 2 TDs vs. No. 10 BSU last year ... Played the first 6 games of the 2011 season ... RS in 2010 ... Scored a TD in the RHL at New Orleans Bowl ... Exercise & nutritional science major.

BACKUP

22 Chase Price

5-8 • 200 • Fr.-RS CGP: 12; CGS: 12
Diamond Bar, Calif. (Diamond Bar High)

2012 Stats:

G	Att.	Yds	TD	Avg.	No.	Yds	TD
12	24	106	1	4.4	0	0	0

Notes: No. 20 depth chart after W. Kazez had an injury at WYO ... Has 106 rushing yds & a TD on 24 ... 8 att., 43 yds vs. Army ... 9 att., 22 yds, TD vs. UH ... Att., 41 yds at WYO ... RS in 2011 ... All-league at Diamond Bar HS ... Kinestology major.

Z RECEIVER

24 Colin Lockett

6-0 • 180 • Jr.-2L CGP: 35; CGS: 17
Diamond Bar, Calif. (Diamond Bar High)

2012 Stats:

G	No.	Yds	TD	Avg.
11	20	293	3	14.7

Notes: On the Blekwith Award preseason watch list ... Has 20 rec. for 293 yds & 3 TDs ... Also has 4 games for 42 yds ... Is averaging 26.7 yds per KR (20th in the nation), including a 100-yd & a 95-yd TD ... Has a school-record 3 KR for a TD all-time in 2011 (2 TDs in the country over that time frame) ... Is 2nd all-time at SDSU in KR yds (1,428) ... Moved from DB to WR during the 2011 fall camp ... Has three 100-yd receiving games ... Had a 94-yd KOR for a TD vs. Cal Poly ... Career highs with 8 rec. & 149 yds vs. BSU ... Made his collegiate debut in 2010, compiling 10 catches for 83 yds & 3 TDs ... Played in 11 contests, logging 8 tackles ... RS in 2009 ... All-league pick at both WR & DB at Diamond Bar HS ... Brother, Brent, played football at UCLA & was with the New England Patriots ... A communications major.

BACKUP

10 Dylan Denso

6-2 • 205 • Jr.-2L CGP: 37; CGS: 12
Laguna Niguel, Calif. (Dana Hills HS)

Originally a walk-on, who was the only WR on the active roster with a career catch entering 2011 ... Has 4 catches for 63 yards this year in 11 games (1 start) ... Career numbers: 75 receptions, 738 yards, 3 touchdowns ... Had 49 receptions for 634 yards & 3 touchdowns in 2011 ... 4 catches for 63 yards in 2010 ... Redshirted 2009 season ... Two-time all-league pick at Dana Hills HS ... Also was a first-team all-league selection in lacrosse ... Business major.

HEAD COACH

Rocky Long

2nd Year As H.C. At SDSU
New Mexico, 1974

Overall: 81-77, SDSU Record: 17-8;
Notes:
 ► Named head coach at SDSU on Jan. 12, 2011, after a two-year stint as the Aztecs' defensive coordinator.
 ► Only coach in SDSU history to lead the Aztecs to a bowl game in his first season.
 ► Served as head coach at New Mexico from 1998-2008 and guided the Lobos to bowl eligibility in seven of his last eight seasons.
 ► Prior to becoming the head coach at UNM, served as defensive coordinator for 12 seasons at three different schools (UCLA, Oregon State and Wyoming).

OFF. COORDINATOR

Andy Ludwig

Second Year at SDSU
Portland State, 1988

LEFT END

59 Jordan Thomas

6-1 • 255 • Jr.-2L • Redlands, Calif. (Redlands High)

2012 Stats: CGP: 38; CGS: 20

G	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL-Yds.	Sacks	Int.-Yds.	FF-FR
12	10	7	17	4.5-10	1.0-2	0-0	1-0

Notes: '12 - Black; Career - Red; Personal - Gold

Has 17 tackles, including 5 at NV... Started 1st 12 at RE & last 7 at LE... 1st-ever sack & FF in '12... Has played in all 38 games since he came to SDSU... Started 8 times in 2011 with 20 tackles, including 10 TFL... 1 of only 4 freshmen to earn a letter in 10 & one of only 2 to compete in all 13 games... A-3-star recruit by Rivals & 4-year letterwinner... A scholar-athlete & MW all-academic pick.

BACKUP

99 Jon Sanchez

6-2 • 265 • Fr.-RS • Murrieta, Calif. (Vista Murrieta High)

Notes: Has played in all 12 games this season in a reserve role, registering 19 tackles... Had a career-high four stops and first career TFL vs. Hawaii... Redshirted the 2011 season... A three-star recruit at Vista Murrieta High School by both Rivals and ESPN.com.

LINEBACKER

36 Nick Tenhaeff ter-OFF

6-2 • 225 • Jr.-2L • Atascadero, Calif. (Atascadero High)

2012 Stats: CGP: 38; CGS: 11

G	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL-Yds.	Sacks	Int.-Yds.	FF-FR
12	32	13	45	11.0-33	3.0-18	0-0	1-0

Notes: '12 - Black; Career - Red; Personal - Gold

Earned first career 11 starts this year & has played in 38 straight games... Has 45 tackles, 11.0 TFL, 3.0 sacks & FF... 1.0 sacks vs. SJSU, UH & BSU... 2.0 TFL in 4 games... Had 47 tackles last year off the bench in 2011... Also had a FF & FR... Has 122 career tackles, including 16.0 TFL, 5.0 sacks, 2 FR & 2 FF... Had 3,533 yards as a prep RB... Criminal justice major.

BACKUP

48 Josh Gavert

6-2 • 220 • So.-1L • Lakewood, Calif. (Mayfair High)

Notes: Has 23 tackles in 12 games... Had 4 tackles & 1st career INT vs. Army... 1st career start at FS with 7 tackles... 1st career FR vs. UH & FF vs. AFA... Played all 13 games last year... Had 8 tackles, with sacks vs. UNLV & FS... Had 138 tackles as a Sr. at Mayfair HS, including 25 in one game.

LEFT CORNER

2 Leon McFadden

5-10 • 190 • Sr.-3L • Inglewood, Calif. (St. John Bosco High)

2012 Stats: CGP: 50; CGS: 44

G	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL-Yds.	Int.-Yds.	PBU	FF-FR
12	45	14	59	2.0-4	3-24	10	1-0

Notes: '12 - Black; Career - Red; Personal - Gold

3-time 1st-team all-MW (2011-12)... On Nagasaki and Thorne Award Watch Lists... CH tackles at UW & AF... 2 PBUs & 28-yd INT for TD vs. UND... INT vs. SJSU & INT for TD at FS... 4-year starter... MW leader in PBU in 2010-11... Only true freshman to play all 12 games in 2009... Signed with SDSU as a WR out of high school... MW all-academic... Communications major.

BACKUP

35 King Holder

5-10 • 165 • So.-1L • Oceanside, Calif. (Oceanside High)

Notes: Has 31 tackles, 4 PBUs & 1.5 TFL this year... CH 9 tackles at FS... 1st career start at RB vs. UH... Missed spring drills with inj... Played all 13 games in 2011 w/ 11 tackles & 2 PBUs... RS in 2010... One of 6 Aztecs from Oceanside HS... Business management major.

TACKLE

98 Sam Meredith

6-4 • 275 • So.-1L • La Mesa, Calif. (Helix High)

2012 Stats: CGP: 24; CGS: 12

G	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL-Yds.	Sacks	Int.-Yds.	FF-FR
12	16	15	31	4.5-11	1.0-2	0-0	0-1

Notes: '12 - Black; Career - Red; Personal - Gold

Has 31 tackles in 1st 12 starts of career... Had 4 sacks & a TFL vs. CSU... Career-high 5 tackles & 1st FR vs. AFA... Is 1 of 4 sophomores in the starting lineup on defense... Played 12 games as a true freshman in 2011... Had 4 tackles (all solo) & a TFL... Three-star recruit by Rivals, ESPN.com... Played both sides of the ball on the DULOL & TE... Cousin of former Aztec center Trask Kosela.

BACKUP

94 Robert Craighead

6-3 • 265 • Fr.-RS • Lakeside, Calif. (El Capitan High)

Notes: Moved to DT from TE in the spring... Has played in 8 games this year with 3 tackles... Had 1st career tackle vs. CSU... RS in 2011... Two-star recruit by Rivals... Had 66 catches for 882 yds & 7 TDs over his final 2 HS seasons... Two-time captain & all-league pick.

MIKE LB

42 Jake Fely FEE-lee

5-10 • 210 • So.-1L • Oceanside, Calif. (Oceanside High)

2012 Stats: CGP: 28; CGS: 25

G	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL-Yds.	Sacks	Int.-Yds.	FF-FR
12	64	22	86	11.5-58	7.0-46	0-0	2-2

Notes: '12 - Black; Career - Red; Personal - Gold

2nd-team all-MW... 2-time MW POW this year... Leads team with 7.0 sacks... Last 6 games: 60 tackles, 7.5 TFL, 4.0 sacks, 2 FF & FR... Career stats: 143 tackles, 18.5 TFL, 9.5 sacks, 5 FF & 2 FR... Started all 13 games last year with 3 FF... Played 3 games in 2010 as a 1-FR... was granted a med. RS... One of 6 Aztecs from nearby Oceanside HS... A criminal justice major.

BACKUP

44 Rob Andrews

6-2 • 220 • Sr. • Pleasanton, Calif. (Foothill High)

Notes: Has 19 tackles this year, including 4 vs. AFA... Competed in the first 4 games of 2011 before a broken foot sidelined him for year... Played all 13 contests in 2010, starting 3... Had 34 tackles & a FF that was recovered for a TD at TCU... Business major.

RIGHT END

47 Cody Galea guh-LAYuh

6-3 • 265 • So.-1L • Elk Grove, Calif. (Franklin High)

2012 Stats: CGP: 21; CGS: 8

G	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL-Yds.	Sacks	Int.-Yds.	FF-FR
12	13	9	22	3.5-22	2.5-18	0-0	0-0

Notes: '12 - Black; Career - Red; Personal - Gold

Started past 8 games & played in all 12... Had 2 tackles with a 6-yd sack at UW... Had 1st-ever start at FS, making a tackle... Career-high 4 tackles vs. AFA... 8-yd sack at WYO... Played in 9 games in 2011, making 6 tackles, 2 TFL & a sack... RS in 2010... Holds Franklin HS record with 244 career tackles... Also was a 2-time conference wrestling champion... Business major.

BACKUP

90 Everett Beed

6-3 • 255 • So.-SQ • Phelan, Calif. (Serrano High)

Notes: Has 10 tackles in 2012, including 4.5 TFL in 9 games... 8-yd TFL & a 52-yd FR for a TD vs. AFA... 4 tackles & 2 sacks at WYO... Made 1st appearance last year at AFA with 2 tackles, inc. a 13-yd sack... RS in 2010... A-3-star recruit by Rivals & 2-time all-league pick at Serrano High.

LINEBACKER

50 Derek Largent

6-4 • 235 • So.-TR • Hermosa Beach, Calif. (El Camino CC)

2012 Stats: CGP: 12; CGS: 5

G	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL-Yds.	Sacks	Int.-Yds.	FF-FR
12	35	22	57	9.5-55	6.5-49	2-5	1-3

Notes: '12 - Black; Career - Red; Personal - Gold

HMA all-MW... Started last 5... Having a big 1st year with 57 tackles, 9.5 TFL, 6.5 sacks, 3 FR, 3 PBUs and 2 INTs... Career-high 6 tackles & 1st 2 INTs vs. CSU... 8 more stops vs. AFA... 6 tackles, a sack, FF & FR at UW... El Camino CC transfer, where 2011 team went 8-2... Earned 1st-team all-No. Conference honors with 65 tackles (7.5 TFL)... Bay League Defensive POT at Mira Costa HS.

BACKUP

37 Vanessa Harris

6-2 • 255 • Jr.-1L • Los Angeles, Calif. (Dorsey High)

Has started 7 of 12 games... Has 30 tackles, 6.0 TFL, 3.0 sacks, a FF & a PBU... 5 tk, 2.0 TFL, 1.0 sack & a PBU at UW... CH 6 tk at NV... Played all 13 games in '11, starting 2 w/ 2 FR & 4.5 TFL... 4 games in '10... RS in 2009... Was 1st-team all-city as a WR in HS... Social science major.

DEFENSE

2012 Statistics

Category	Average	NCAA	MW
Scoring Defense	24.50	44	3
Total Defense	375.08	43	4
Rushing Defense	140.25	35	1
Pass Defense	234.83	59	7
Pass Efficiency Defense	135.74	74	6
Turnover Margin	+0.25	T-48	5

DEF. COORDINATOR

Rocky Long

4th Year as D.C. at SDSU
New Mexico, 1974



Notes:

- Named head coach at SDSU on Jan. 12, 2011, after a two-year stint as the Aztecs' defensive coordinator.
- Continues his role as defensive coordinator, in addition to his head coaching duties.
- SDSU went from 85th to 25th in turnovers forced since his arrival.
- Served as head coach at New Mexico from 1998-2008 and guided the Lobos to bowl eligibility in seven of his last eight seasons.
- Prior to becoming the head coach at UNM, served as defensive coordinator for 12 seasons at three different schools (UCLA, Oregon State and Wyoming).

OVERALL: San Diego State ranks 44th in scoring defense (24.50), 43rd in total defense (375.08) & 40th in turnovers gained (23)... The Aztecs allowed just 173 yards of total offense in the victory against Hawai'i, the fewest allowed in a game since UNM had 162 yards last season... SDSU allowed just 2.98 yards per offensive play, the lowest average since Nicholls St. (2.71 ypp) on Sept. 4, 2010, the lowest against a FBS opponent since Colorado St. (2.97 ypp) on Oct. 16, 2004, and the 33rd-lowest average in the Division I era... Prior to the game against North Dakota, San Diego State had allowed seven points in the last 20 opponent drives... The Aztecs went 16 drives (the last 7 of the Washington game & the first 9 of the Army game) without allowing a point... The Huskies' 21 points (including a FR for a TD came on a total of 97 yards of offense... San Jose St.'s first 17 points came on 24 yards of total offense... SDSU has returned 3 interceptions for TDs this season, that ranks in a tie for 6th nationally behind SMU (6), Fresno St. (6), Oregon (4), Stanford (4) & Toledo (4).

DEFENSIVE RUSHING: San Diego State is 35th in rushing yards allowed per game (140.25), 29th in average yards allowed per rush (3.6) & tied for 35th in fewest rushing TDs allowed (15)... Only 4 opponents this year (Army, UNLV, Boise St. & AFA) have averaged more than 3.67 yards per rush... 2 opponents (North Dakota & Colorado St.) have been held below 2.05 yards per carry... The Aztecs have 84 TFL this season from 21 different players... At 7.00 TFL per game, SDSU ranks in a tie for 23rd in the nation... 3 of San Diego State's last 9 opponents have failed to rush for 100 yards & the Aztecs have held an opponent to under 100 yards rushing in 5 of the last 15 games.

DEFENSIVE PASSING: SDSU is 59th in pass defense (234.83) & 74th in pass efficiency defense (135.74)... With 11 interceptions, San Diego State ranks in a tie for 53rd... Army's passing efficiency of 35.56 was the lowest for an Aztec opponent since Nov. 29, 1986 against BYU... Leon McFadden has an interception in 3 of his last 8 games & returned an interception for a TD vs. North Dakota, the program's 1st defensive TD since Nov. 13, 2010, at No. 3 TCU, & the 1st interception return for a score since Nov. 28, 2009 at UNLV... McFadden is 1 of just 11 players in the nation with 2 interceptions returned for a TD.

Defensive Coaching Staff/Game Day Assignments

- H** Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator: Rocky Long (New Mexico '74)
- F** Safeties: Danny Gonzales (New Mexico '98)
- P** Defensive Line: Osia Lewis (Oregon State '86)
- C** Cornerbacks: Tony White (UCLA '02)
- F** G.A. Defense: Zach Arnett (New Mexico '09)

Game day location: F - indicates field; P - indicates press box.

SAN DIEGO STATE
9-3 (Home: 6-1/Away: 3-2)/7-1 MW (Home: 4-0/Away: 3-1)

2012 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

S	at	W	L	21-21	Pac-12 Networks	O	20	at	Nevada*	W	39-38	(ot)	CBS Sports Network
8	at	Army	W	42-27	NBC Sports Network	0	27	at	UNLV	W	24-13	Time Warner Cable SportsNet	
9	at	North Dakota	W	49-41	KUSI	N	3	at	19-14 Boise State*	W	21-19	CBS Sports Network	
10	at	San Jose State	L	34-38	KUSI	N	10	at	Air Force*	W	28-9	NBC Sports Network	
11	at	Fresno State	L	40-52	KUSI	N	24	at	Wyoming*	W	42-28	Time Warner Cable SportsNet	
12	at	Hawai'i*	W	52-14	CBS Sports Network	D	20	vs.	Brigham Young	5:01 p.m.	ESPN		
13	at	Colorado State* (HC)	W	38-14	Time Warner Cable SportsNet				Mountain West game	HC - Homecoming. All times local to site			

WARRIOR

27 Eric Pinkins

6-3 • 215 • Jr.-2L • Sacramento, Calif. (Inderkum High)

2012 Stats: CGP: 32; CGS: 11

G	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL-Yds.	Int.-Yds.	PBU	FF-FR
12	43	19	62	7.0-27	2-24	2	0-1

Notes: '12 - Black; Career - Red; Personal - Gold

Hard-hitting DB... Started 10 times & played in all 12... Is 3rd on the team with 62 tackles... 1st career INT vs. Army... 8 tackles & INT TD return vs. FS... 7 tackles & sacks vs. CSU... CH 9 stops at Nev... Had 22 tackles in 2011 with 3 stops & blocked punt in 1st career start at UNLV (11/26/11)... RS in 2010 after playing in 7 games as a true freshman in 2009... Is a communications major.

BACKUP

6 Gabe Lemon

5-10 • 195 • Jr.-2L • Mission Viejo, Calif. (Lutheran High)

Notes: Played in 11 games with 2 starts (missed MW with inj)... Has 26 tackles, 2.5 TFL, 2 PBUs & a sack... Has 11 career starts, 9 in 2011... Had 53 tackles, 5 PBU & an INT last year... Missed on ST in 2010, posting 10 stops... RS in 2009... Had 12 INT over final 2 yrs of HS... Sociology major.

RIGHT CORNER

12 Josh Wade

6-0 • 190 • Sr.-2L • San Diego, Calif. (Point Loma High)

2012 Stats: CGP: 37; CGS: 15

G	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL-Yds.	Int.-Yds.	PBU	FF-FR
12	22	17	39	2.5-9	0-0	1	1-1

Notes: '12 - Black; Career - Red; Personal - Gold

Started in 11 games with 39 tackles, 2.5 TFL, 1 PBU, 1 FF & 1 FR... Career-high 8 stops vs. CSU... Missed entire '11 season after injuring his Achilles in R&B preseason game... Played in 13 games in '10 with 2 starts... Had 25 tackles, 3 PBUs & an INT... Had 9 tackles in 12 games as a reserve in 2009... RS in 2008... 1st-team all-CF at Point Loma in 2007... Kinesiology major.

BACKUP

16 David Lamar

6-2 • 180 • So.-SQ • San Diego, Calif. (Madison High)

Notes: Spent 2 seasons at WR before moving to DE during 2012 spring drills... Made his debut at No. 2 on the depth chart before Hawai'i game & responded with career-high 3 tackles... DNP in 2011 after RS in 2010... A-3-star signee at WR out of Madison HS... Social science major.