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**San Diego State head coach Brady Hoke finished sixth in the nation in balloting for AP Coach of the Year in 2008.**

**2009 SAN DIEGO STATE SCHEDULE**

SEPT. 5 - PASADENA TBD • TBD		at UCLA
SEPT. 12 - SAN DIEGO 5:30 p.m. PT		SOUTHERN UTAH
SEPT. 19 - MOSCOW 2 p.m. PT		at IDAHO
SEPT. 26 - USAF ACADEMY 11 a.m. PT • The Mtn.		at AIR FORCE
OCT. 3 - SAN DIEGO 5 p.m. PT		NEW MEXICO ST.
OCT. 17 - SAN DIEGO 3 p.m. PT • The Mtn.		BRIGHAM YOUNG
OCT. 24 - FT. COLLINS 1 p.m. PT • The Mtn.		at COLORADO ST.
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NOV. 14 - SAN DIEGO 7 p.m. PT • The Mtn.		WYOMING
NOV. 21 - SALT LAKE CITY 1 p.m. PT • VERSUS		at UTAH
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 Founded: ..... 1897  
 Enrollment: ..... 35,887  
 Nickname: ..... Aztecs  
 School Colors: ..... Scarlet (PMS 185) and Black  
 Stadium (Cap.): ..... Qualcomm Stadium (54,000)  
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 Conference/Finish: ..... 1-7/t-8th  
 Starters Returning/Lost: ..... 17/8  
     Offense/Defense/Kickers Returning: ..... 8/7/2  
 Lettermen Returning/Lost: ..... 46/18  
 Offensive System: ..... Pro-Style  
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 First Year of Football: ..... 1921  
 All-Time Record: ..... 471-377-32  
 Bowl Games: ..... 8 (4-4)  
 Division I Seasons: ..... Entering 41st  
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Date	Opponent	Result	Score	Broadcast
Aug. 30	Cal Poly	L	27-29	Channel 4 SD
Sept. 6	at Notre Dame	L	13-21	NBC
Sept. 13	at San Jose State	L	10-35	
Sept. 27	Idaho	W	45-17	
Oct. 4	at TCU*	L	7-41	The Mtn.
Oct. 11	Air Force*	L	10-35	The Mtn.
Oct. 18	at New Mexico*	L	7-70	The Mtn.
Nov. 25	Colorado State*	L	34-38	The Mtn.
Nov. 1	at Wyoming*	L	10-35	The Mtn.
Nov. 8	at BYU*	L	12-41	The Mtn.
Nov. 15	Utah*	L	14-63	The Mtn.
Nov. 22	UNLV*	W	42-21	CBS College Sports

\* - Mountain West Conference game

# 2009 Season Preview

*Quarterback Ryan Lindley is one of eight returning starters on offense for the Aztecs in 2009.*



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# 2009 Season Outlook

There is nothing more exciting in college athletics than the turnaround. The championships grab the headlines, but it is the transition years – when teams go from playing to competing and to believing that make college athletics great.

Most of the time it is tough to identify a turnaround in its infancy. Pundits will look for proof of the turnaround – more wins, narrower defeats and so on.

But sometimes you don't need to wait for the results. Sometimes you know the verdict before the stacks of evidence are presented. Sometimes the story can be written before the events unfold.

In these rare instances, there has to be one undeniable truth. In this case that truth is – Brady Hoke.

No game has been played yet in the Brady Hoke era. Not one point scored, not one first down allowed, not one three-and-out forced, but make no mistake, San Diego State made the right hire.

Brady Hoke, San Diego State's 17th head coach, was hired on Dec. 16, 2008. Author of Ball State's rise through the football ranks, Hoke led his alma mater to consecutive bowl appearances and last season, took the Cardinals to a 12-0 record and a No. 12 national ranking en route to being named a finalist for national coach of the year.

Since that date, it is hard to find anyone who has heard him speak that doesn't believe that a return to Aztec football glory is indisputable.

As the tagline says, "College football never left San Diego, but it has definitely returned."

Hoke didn't mince words when talking about his initial experience at San Diego State.

"It's been great," Hoke said. "We have a tremendous staff. The kids have done a great job of understanding the expectations that we have for the program and how we want to handle ourselves as students and how we want to represent the University socially, in the community and on the field. We've got high expectations and we are going to demand a lot of each and every one of us."

The cornerstone of San Diego State's new football program will be based on toughness. Clearly, that cornerstone

will be located in the weight room.

"We've got to keep looking forward and we've got to keep doing the job in the weight room," Hoke said. "We have to keep getting stronger, our conditioning has to keep improving and our body compositions have to get better. Everyone has a lot of work and we will continue to work and strive to get better, be more disciplined and be a team that is more accountable to each other.

"We have to play as a team," Hoke said. "This program has to be about the team, the team, the team. How we react, how we play, we are going to have adversity against every football team. Our goals are just like everyone else's. We have expectations of winning and we have expectations of playing hard and playing with consistency. We have to play with great toughness and effort every time we take the field."

Below is a position-by-position breakdown of the 2009 Aztecs entering the fall.

## ■ The Aztec Offense

Hoke and offensive coordinator Al Borges will have a veteran group to work with in their first year at San Diego State. The Aztecs return seven starters on offense, including one of the top young quarterbacks in the country, a 1,000-yard career rusher and the top two receivers from a year ago.

That being said, the Aztecs will have to look to improve on an offensive unit that scored 14 points or less on eight occasions last season.

One area that has already been stressed by the new staff is the ability to run the ball. That is an area in which the Aztecs have struggled not only last season, when SDSU averaged 3.1 yards per rush and gained 878 yards, but it also has become a recent trend. San Diego State has not averaged four yards per carry in a season since 1999.

That noted, the passing game has shown promise with first-year starting quarterback Ryan Lindley throwing for 2,653 yards and 16 scores in 2008. Lindley posted four, 300-yard passing games as a redshirt freshman in 11 outings, ranking 24th nationally in passing average and 42nd in total offense.

"Coach Al Borges does a tremendous job with personnel groups," Hoke said. "We are a pro-style offense with a lot of different personnel groups and we want to be able to use those groups to leverage a defense and put us in a good situation offensively to be productive. We want to be able to run the football. We definitely want to be balanced, but we definitely want to be more run than pass."

How quickly San Diego State is able to reach that goal will go a long way toward determining its success in 2009.

## QUARTERBACKS

**Returning players with starting experience:** Ryan Lindley, Drew Westling

What a difference a year makes.

San Diego State found a gem last season as redshirt freshman Ryan Lindley shattered school and conference records for a freshman. A native of Alpine, Calif., Lindley threw for 2,653 yards in his first season on The Mesa, completing 242-of-427 attempts (56.7 percent) and did a nice job of managing the passing attack, which was responsible for 76.6 percent of the offense.

Lindley was touted as one of the top 35 quarterbacks in the country out of high school, so his ability to produce in his first season was not a surprise. But to produce a freshman-record passing yardage total while having four interception-free games in his first year on the field shows that the youngster has the complete package to play the position.

Although different in style, Aztec fans can see Lindley becoming a four-year starter at the position just like the player he replaced in current New England Patriot, Kevin O'Connell.

"I think Ryan has made some gains through the spring, but I think there is more work for him out there to continue and get better," Hoke said. "He needs to continue to compete, continue to learn a scheme better and manage an offense while understanding that he doesn't have to be the offense."

Lindley, a prototypical pocket passer, with great arm strength and good decision making skills should fit well into the new Brady Hoke-Al Borges offensive scheme.



Last season, Lindley received a baptism by fire. In his second collegiate game, he marched into historic Notre Dame Stadium and threw passes on each of SDSU's first 29 offensive plays of the game. That dependence upon the passing attack certainly helped speed up the maturation process and is one reason why one media outlet has tabbed Lindley an all-conference second-team performer entering his sophomore campaign.

Lindley progressed as his inaugural season on The Mesa went on. He completed 50 percent or more of his passes in his final five games of the season, including two games against nationally-ranked teams.

He also had a touchdown strike in each of his final six contests of the 2008 season and four, 300-yard passing games.

The Aztecs had a chance to look at the depth at the position last season when Drew Westling started a game against Air Force. Westling, a senior, saw action in four contests in 2008, after transferring from nearby Southwestern College. In limited opportunities, he was 27-of-56 for 206 yards through the air and added a rushing touchdown.

Also in the mix at the position is junior Kelsey Sokoloski. A native of Englewood, Colo., Sokoloski is the only two-year letterwinner at the position for the Aztecs. Sokoloski has played in 24 career contests, mostly as a place holder, although he does have 15 career pass attempts.

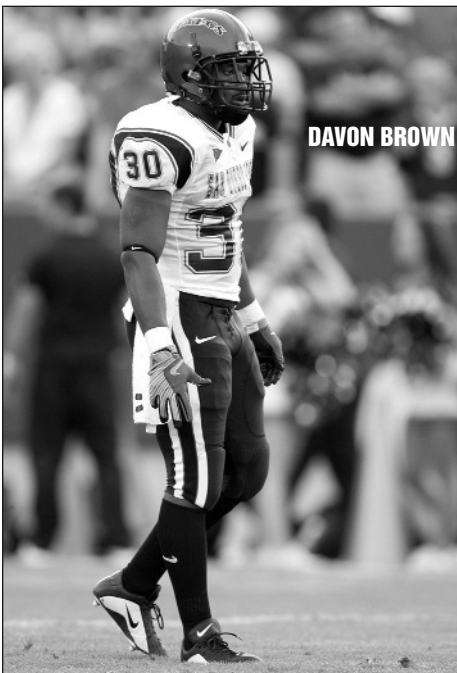
"I think Drew and Kelsey both have worked extremely hard and both of them showed bright spots during the spring. You know that both of them are going to battle," Hoke said. "When we get into fall camp, there is nothing set in stone with anybody, so we've got to have competitive guys who understand that and keep competing."

## RUNNING BACKS

**Returning players with starting experience: Atiyyah Henderson, Matthew Kawulok, Brandon Sullivan**

The running game is expected to be where Aztec fans can see the biggest difference under Brady Hoke. The Aztecs will show much more of a 2-back look and will certainly expect to run more than in the past. Last season, the Aztecs rushed 36.7 percent of the time and passed 63.3 percent of the time. Those numbers will likely be more balanced in 2009.

The good news is that San Diego State returns a pair of experienced players at the tailback position. Junior Brandon Sullivan tops the depth chart entering the fall campaign. The Poway, Calif., native, carried 48 times for 185 yards and one



**DAVON BROWN**



**VINCENT BROWN**

touchdown a year ago and has 405 yards and three rushing scores in his first two seasons on campus.

A threat as a receiver out of the backfield, Sullivan has 39 career catches and two receiving touchdowns to his credit.

Senior Atiyyah Henderson is the most experienced player not only at the position but on the entire offensive side of the ball with 33 career games, including 18 starts. He has 1,531 career yards rushing and led the team in the category last season with 490 yards on 120 carries and four touchdowns. He, too, is a threat out of the backfield with 81 career catches for 508 yards. He was the second-leading receiver on the squad last season with 36 catches.

With Sullivan and Henderson returning, it is easy to overlook junior Davon Brown. Although Brown has received limited opportunities in his first two seasons, he impressed the coaching staff in the spring and will have an opportunity to earn more playing time in the fall.

"When we look at our three backs who are returners, I think they all do certain things well," Hoke said. "They all have their strengths. I think Davon, really the first few weeks of spring, had a tremendous spring. Atiyyah showed glimpses of what he can do and Brandon was running stronger and being more physical with the football and that's got to be a strength of his.

"All three players at the position, can catch the ball well coming out of the back field. They have done a good job of being taught pass protection, but we have got to get more consistency when you look at what we are trying to do on the offensive side of the ball from that position."

With the emergence of the two-back set, the coaching staff has tabbed senior Matthew Kawulok as the fullback. A three-year veteran at tight end for the Aztecs with 27 career receptions, including 21 catches a year ago, Kawulok will take his 6-2, 235-pound frame into the backfield this season.

During fall camp, many people will be keeping an eye on how things shake down in the backfield.

"I think right now, until someone emerges as the go-to guy with consistency and toughness and a physical presence out there, it will be a little bit by committee," Hoke said. "They have to compete hard through camp."

## WIDE RECEIVERS

**Returning players with starting experience: Vincent Brown, Roberto Wallace, Mekell Wesley**

The wide receiver position represents the deepest and most

talented position on the offensive side of the ball. No fewer than five individuals listed at one of the receiver positions have shown the ability to impact a game. Combine that with an experienced quarterback and you can see why San Diego State fans feel this can be a strength in 2009.

Junior Vincent Brown returns after leading the team in receptions (64), receiving yards (631) and receiving touchdowns (5) as a sophomore. A native of Rancho Cucamonga, Calif., Brown has lightning speed as demonstrated by the fact that he has been a staple on both the kickoff and punt return teams. He has shown great consistency, catching a pass in 18 consecutive games, and yet produced a pair of 100-yard receiving games a year ago.

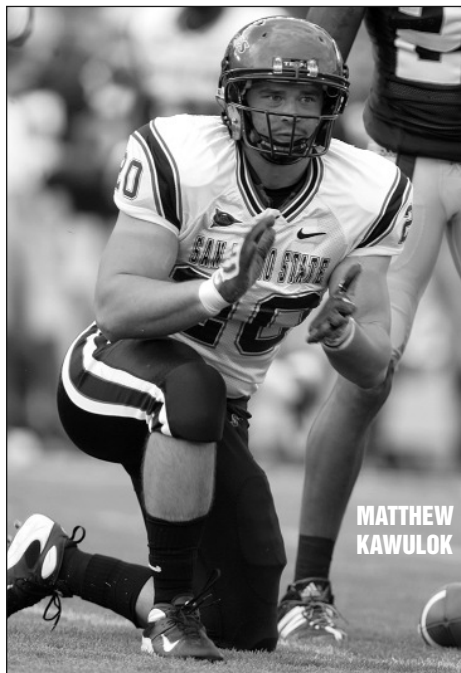
With 20 career games and 10 career starts, senior Roberto Wallace is penciled in at the other starting receiver position. After suffering through injuries early in his career, Wallace enjoyed a breakout junior campaign, catching 31 passes for 405 yards en route to earning the team's most improved offensive player award.

The biggest wildcard in the receiving corps may be senior DeMarco Sampson. Possibly the most athletic of all of the wideouts, nagging injuries have kept Sampson from reaching his full potential to date. Nonetheless, Sampson has seen action on both return squads and has 17 career catches for 171 yards receiving with a pair of touchdowns. If Sampson can remain healthy this season, he may be able to show off his pass catching skills that have turned heads in practice the past couple of seasons.

Mekell Wesley has become a staple as both a kickoff and punt returner in his time on The Mesa. The senior has played in 30 career games and made eight starts at the receiver position. Of his 17 career receptions, a dozen came last season when he hauled in 151 receiving yards.

A fourth senior in the receiving corps, Jon Toledo, should not be overlooked. The Encinitas, Calif., native, has played in 16 career games and is currently listed second on the depth chart at the talent-rich receiving position.

"I think the wide receivers should be a little bit of the strength of our offensive team," Hoke said. "There are many players who will see action. I think there are guys like Vincent Brown who will have a chance to really do some great things. I think Roberto being back and having DeMarco in the mix and healthy will strengthen the position. We have quality depth when you look at Dominique Sandifer and Mekell Wesley. Jon Toledo is another guy who I think showed well this spring. We expect great things from that whole core group."



### TIGHT ENDS

**Returning players with starting experience: Tony DeMartinis, Alston Umuolo**

The tight end spot is another position that appears to have a surplus of depth for the Aztecs. So much so, in fact, that Brady Hoke has moved the incumbent starter, Matthew Kawulok, to the fullback position.

Although Kawulok could split time at both spots, the Aztecs won't be hurting at the position. Both junior Alston Umuolo and senior Tony DeMartinis have seen plenty of field time and both have previous starting experience.

Umuolo will enter the fall at the top of the depth chart. Hailing from Phoenix, Ariz., Umuolo was one of five true freshmen to see action in 2007, and he followed that up by playing in 10 games and making a career-high 14 catches for 110 yards last year.

DeMartinis was originally a defensive end, but made the switch to tight end prior to the 2008 spring. Last season, he was listed on the depth chart at both defensive end and tight end before a knee injury in the season-opening game forced him to miss the remainder of the campaign.

A pair of redshirt freshmen in D.J. Shields and Hunter Hewitt provides the Aztecs with additional depth.

"I think with Kawulok, DeMartinis and Umuolo in there with Hewitt and Shields, we have depth there," Hoke said. "We are going to use Matt as an H-back a little more at times. I think there is some depth there and some good quality leadership. We have to keep developing with strength and our endurance through the course of summer.

"I think the tight end position can be a weapon. Offensively, we want it to be a position where we can get some mismatches on linebackers and safeties. This has to be a point of strength in running the football with the power players."

### OFFENSIVE LINE

**Returning players with starting experience: Ikaika Aken-Moleta, Kurtis Gunther, Trask Iosefa, Peter Nelson, Emilio Rivera**

On Dec. 16, 2008, Brady Hoke was named San Diego State's head coach. That same day, it is safe to say, the look of the Aztec offensive and defensive lines started to change. Hoke, his staff, and his strength and conditioning coach Aaron Wellman immediately put an emphasis on strength, power and quickness.

The result is a new slimmer, yet stronger look for the lines.

The goal is to have a balanced offensive attack. Whether that goal is achievable or not will depend greatly on the transformation of the offensive line. Last season, the Aztecs struggled to find a consistent rushing attack. The Aztecs did rush for a season-best 226 yards against bowl-bound Colorado State, but had five games with 35 yards or less rushing.

The Aztecs open with three returning starters on the offensive line and another two who have starting experience.

At right tackle, Peter Nelson returns for his senior campaign. Nelson is a two-year letterwinner with 14 career starts. Originally a walk-on, Nelson was one of only seven players last season to make every start.

"I think the offensive line is one of the keys to any team," Hoke said. "There is some experience there. I think Peter does a really good job of asserting himself, but it takes more than one guy to pave the way."

Behind Nelson, is sophomore Kurtis Gunther and true freshman Nik Embarnate. Gunther saw action in six games last season and made a start against Air Force.

Ikaika Aken-Moleta is the returning starter at right guard. The senior, entering his fifth year at San Diego State, saw his first extensive action last season when he made all 12 starts. A native of Kapolei, Hawaii, he has 16 career games played. Backing up Aken-Moleta is sophomore Kellen Farr and redshirt freshman Jimmy Miller. Farr is the only one of the two with game experience having played in 11 outings a year ago.

At center is two-year starter Trask Iosefa. Despite the rash of injuries to hit the program the last two seasons, Iosefa has started all 24 games since arriving on campus. The junior is backed up by senior Damian Shankle.

For all of the experience at center and on the right side of the line, San Diego State will be looking to shore up the left side during fall camp. The seven players listed at left guard and left tackle have combined to play in just 17 games.

The most experienced player on the left side of the ball is sophomore Emilio Rivera at left guard. Rivera played mostly on special teams a year ago, but did earn the starting assignment twice. Behind Rivera is redshirt freshman Alec Johnson, sophomore Leo Grassilli and redshirt freshman Erik Quinones.

Sophomore Tommie Draheim opens fall camp on the top line at left tackle, followed by sophomore Mike Matamua and junior Tom Rische. None of those three players has played in a game yet at San Diego State.

"I think the offensive line is a place of concern to some degree," Hoke said. "We do have some guys who are returning who can assert themselves a little more aggressively when you look at Ikaika, Trask and Peter. We want to be a running football team so our attitude has to be that of knock-

ing people off the ball. There is a lot of youth there. I think fall camp will be very important to see how it all shakes down. Overall, the group has understood how we want to play the game and we have just got to get better at it."

## ■ The Aztec Defense

For years San Diego State fans have seen up close and personal how effective Rocky Long's defenses can be. While leading the New Mexico program, Long's defense held the Aztecs to 16 points or less in eight of the last nine meetings. In four of those games, San Diego State failed to reach double figures.

Now Aztec fans hope Long can work his magic on The Mesa. It will certainly be a challenge out of the gate as San Diego State struggled mightily a year ago, allowing 37.2 points and 460.8 yards per outing.

The good news is that, once again, San Diego State is loaded at the linebacker position and has good experience on the defensive line. The secondary group will have to learn a new system and develop quickly for SDSU to reach its potential.

"Coach Rocky Long's scheme is great," Hoke said. "I think it's very flexible and it helps us as a defense to utilize our best players. I think the depth of our linebackers is critical; we have athleticism there and I think it will fit very well with coach Long's scheme and what we want to try and do in being aggressive."

Hoke was pleased with the progress the unit made during the spring.

"I think they picked it up," Hoke said. "One thing we have to understand is the urgency that we will need during fall camp to execute as a team unit better and be a group of all 11 playing as hard as they possibly can on every snap."

### DEFENSIVE LINE

**Returning players with starting experience: J.J. Autele, Eric Ikonne, Ernie Lawson, Jerome Long, Jonathan Soto, Neil Spencer, B.J. Williams**

There is little chance of the defensive line position being overlooked this season. Not with head coach Brady Hoke doubling as the position coach.

San Diego State has a wealth of experience on the defensive line. Six players have played in double-digit games and senior Jonathan Soto and junior B.J. Williams are two of the most experienced players on the team with 20 and 19 career starts, respectively.

Officially, the Aztecs return four starters for three depth-chart positions.





Senior Jonathan Soto has been a staple on the defensive line. A Malik Award recipient for owning the highest grade-point average for a student-athlete at San Diego State, Soto has tallied 34 career games and has started 16 consecutive games dating back to the 2007 campaign.

Sophomore J.J. Autele and junior Eric Ikonne are both experienced players behind Soto on the depth chart. Each player made two starts for the Aztecs a year ago.

With 18 career games played and five starts, Ernie Lawson draws the top line at defensive tackle. The junior was the opening day starter last season and missed the majority of the year due to injury or illness only to return to the starting lineup late in the campaign. Behind Lawson is sophomore Neil Spencer and redshirt freshman Greg Scott. Spencer earned his first career start two years ago against Wyoming, before redshirting in 2008.

At the other defensive end is junior B.J. Williams and sophomore Jerome Long. Williams has seen action in 23 games and made 19 starts. A playmaker, Williams had 10 tackles for loss among his 74 tackles. Against nationally-ranked Brigham Young, Williams put on a show, posting a career-high 11 tackles, including four behind the line of scrimmage.

Long, meanwhile, had 37 tackles a year ago in 11 games during his true freshman campaign.

"It will be important for us to stay healthy and there is some maturity that has to develop between some of those guys who have played," Hoke said. "I think, physically, there are some guys there who are talented. Now it's a matter of us developing them as the kind of defensive linemen we want them to be.

"I would like somebody to emerge as a leader. Obviously, Jonathan (Soto) has the most experience and B.J. (Williams) and Ernie (Lawson) are guys we have to count on."

## LINEBACKERS

**Returning players with starting experience: Luke Laolagi, Jerry Milling, Andrew Preston, Marcus Yarbrough**

Although the Aztec defense has struggled since the vaunted Dark Side struck fear in the hearts of opposing players, San Diego State has continued to produce quality linebackers. This decade alone, the Aztecs have produced NFL starters Kirk Morrison and Freddy Keiaho, along with the school's all-

time career assisted tackles leader, Russell Allen.

That streak should continue as one could make a solid argument that the linebacking corps is the strongest unit on either side of the ball. Seniors Jerry Milling and Luke Laolagi along with junior Andrew Preston will garner preseason attention for all-conference honors.

Entering fall camp, Milling is listed ahead of Preston at one of the outside linebacker positions. Milling's playing time has been limited the last two seasons due to injury. Nonetheless, the senior has battled his way back onto the field to log 18 career games and tally 46 career tackles. In his first career start last season at Notre Dame, Milling tied his career high with 11 stops and also recovered an Irish fumble.

Andrew Preston enters his junior campaign with 23 games played and 20 starts. He already has 154 career tackles to his credit and has posted five double-digit tackle games, including a career-best 18 stops against Air Force in 2008.

At middle linebacker, senior Luke Laolagi appears to be well positioned. Laolagi played in every game each of the last two seasons – starting all 24 of those outings. Last year, the Reseda, Calif., native, was third on the team with 99 stops, lifting his three-year total to 203 tackles. He was also credited with three forced fumbles.

Junior Marcus Yarbrough provides a wealth of experience as a backup at middle linebacker.

At the other outside linebacker is sophomore Miles Burris. A scholar-athlete, Burris played in all 12 games a year ago and recorded 19 tackles in limited action. He should have more of an opportunity on the field to showcase his talents this year. Sophomore Logan Ketchum and senior Zach Shapiro will push Burris for playing time.

"I think it's the best group on the football team when you look at the amount of depth we have and their athleticism that we have in that group," Hoke said. "I think that's probably our deepest position with Milling, Laolagi, Ketchum, Yarbrough, Burris and Preston. We have got some guys who have played some football and some guys who are athletic enough and tough enough to be aggressive at how they play.

Hoke has indicated that the depth in the linebacking corps will allow the Aztecs to keep fresh bodies on the field.

"I guarantee that if they all play with effort, they are all going to play," Hoke said. "It's nice to have fresh guys on the field at all times so there are no excuses for not playing as hard as you can."

## SECONDARY

**Returning players with starting experience: Davion Mauldin, Aaron Moore, Jose Perez, Nick Sandford**

The biggest difference in defensive coordinator Rocky Long's attacking defense and that of a typical defense is the role of the secondary. San Diego State will frequently play with five players in the secondary and the ability of this position to thrive in man coverage will go a long way in determining how much improvement the Aztecs can make on this side of the ball.

There are only a couple of players with starting experience in this group, led by senior Aaron Moore. Only three other players have a start to their credit.

At one corner position is Kwincy Edwards. The senior has played in nine games and has yet to make a start. He enters fall camp ahead of Moore, SDSU's most experienced player at the position.

At one warrior position, junior Romeo Horn will open camp as the projected starter. He has played in 19 games in his two seasons with the Aztecs.

A Long trademark is the Aztec position (a position that sported a different nickname at his previous coaching assignment). This player is called upon to do a host of things and must be athletic enough to get in the backfield and skilled enough to cover and tackle in the open field.

The two leading candidates going into camp are senior Nick Sandford and junior Martrell Fantroy. Both players re-

## ROMEO HORN



ceived reps in the spring. Sandford has seven career starts and has seen action in 27 games, logging 61 career tackles, including 44 stops in his junior season. Fantroy missed all of 2008 due to injury. The junior exploded onto the scene in 2007, intercepting three passes, gaining 100 yards in interception returns and adding a fumble recovery.

The other warrior position will be earned by a first-time starter. Sophomore Brandon Davis and junior Dey Juan Hemmings are one-two on the pre-fall depth chart.

At the second corner position, senior Davion Mauldin is listed in front of junior Jose Perez.

"Mauldin was a guy who really stuck out in the spring," Hoke said. "I thought he did some good things. We have to get a guy playing the Aztec position the way we envision it being played physically and with a certain mentality. Kwincy Edwards did a lot of good things in the spring and showed that he will play with toughness. We have to develop safeties. We have to get guys in this scheme to understand how important it is if they are giving up big plays, where they need to be."

## ■ The Aztec Special Teams

**Returning players with starting experience: Aaron Brewer, Brian Stahovich, Lane Yoshida**

San Diego State returns its punter, place-kicker and long snapper from last season.

Sophomore Brian Stahovich averaged 39.5 yards per punt with eight of his kicks going for more than 50 yards. Senior Lane Yoshida burst on the scene late last year to win the place-kicking duties. He connected on eight of his 12 field goal attempts. Long snapper Aaron Brewer served as the long snapper in all 12 games last season as a true freshman.

"When you look at our snapper, I think Brewer does a really good job," Hoke said. "I was impressed with what Stahovich did and I think the competition between Yoshida and Bryan Shields was good at the kickoff position."

The return responsibilities will be sorted out during fall camp.

"I think Vincent Brown is a guy who could be an outstanding returner for us in a lot of different ways," Hoke said. "With Atiyah (Henderson) at kickoff and Brown and Mauldin at punts, I think we will settle on that a little more when we get in the middle of fall camp."



LUKE LAOLAGI

# Aztec Roster

## Alphabetical

No.	Name	Pos.
67	Aken-Moleta, Ikaika	OL
26	Andrews, Marcus	DB
44	Andrews, Rob	LB
49	Autele, J.J.	DL
54	Barksdale, Demetrius	LB
47	• Berhe, Nat	DB
12	Bernards, Jake	QB
38	Booker, Aarein	DB
58	Brewer, Aaron	LS
30	• Brown, Davon	RB
80	Brown, Vincent	WR
9	• Burris, Miles	LB
32	• Camarda, Vincent	DB
13	Davis, Brandon	DB
17	• Deakin, Doug	WR
41	DeMartinis, Tony	TE
60	Draheim, Tommie	OL
46	Driver, Jacob	LB
24	• Edwards, Kwincy	DB
68	Emberate, Nik	OL
88	• Escobar, Gavin	TE
11	• Fantroy, Martrell	DB
73	Farr, Kellen	OL
16	Finkel, Bryan	LB
63	Gibbs, Larry	DL
50	• Gordert, Chris	DL
75	Grassilli, Leo	OL
1	• Gregorio, Andy	DB
21	• Gregorio, Robert	WR
79	Gunther, Kurtis	OL
5	Hemmings, Dey Juan	DB
6	Henderson, Atiyyah	RB
89	Hewitt, Hunter	TE
22	• Hillman, Ronnie	RB
4	• Horn, Romeo	DB
97	Ikonne, Eric	DL
50	• Iosefa, Trask	OL
71	Johnson, Alec	OL
81	Jones, Marven	WR
33	• Judkins, Ramon	RB
20	Kawulok, Matthew	FB
31	• Kazee, Walter	RB
31	• Ketchum, Logan	LB
39	King, Preston	DB
11	• Kohn, Brandon	WR
35	Laolagi, Luke	LB
99	Lawson, Ernie	DL
23	• Lemon, Gabe	DB
30	• Lewis, Darryn	DB
14	• Lindley, Ryan	QB
24	• Lockett, Colin	DB
94	Long, Jerome	DL
29	• Mack, Derek	DB
74	Matamua, Mike	OL
2	• Mauldin, Davion	DB
82	McFadden, Leon	WR
78	Milholland, Brian	OL
32	• Miller, Anthony	RB
51	• Miller, Jimmy	OL
34	Milling, Jerry	LB
21	• Moore, Aaron	DB
48	Moses, Eron	DL

## Numerical

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown (High School/College)
1	Andy Gregorio	DB	5-9	190	Jr.	SQ	Rolling Hills, Calif. (Palos Verdes High)
1	DeMarco Sampson	WR	6-2	210	Sr.	2L	Chula Vista, Calif. (Castle Park High)
2	Davion Mauldin	DB	5-10	165	Sr.	1L	Compton, Calif. (Cimarron-Memorial High/Cerritos CC)
2	Kelsey Sokoloski	QB	6-2	190	Jr.	2L	Greenwood Village, Colo. (Cherry Creek High)
3	Mekell Wesley	WR	5-10	180	Sr.	3L	Chandler, Ariz. (Hamilton High)
4	Romeo Horn	DB	6-0	190	Jr.	2L	Fresno, Calif. (Edison High)
4	Dominique Sandifer	WR	6-0	180	Fr.	RS	Gardena, Calif. (Beverly Hills High)
5	Dey Juan Hemmings	DB	5-11	190	Jr.	2L	San Bernardino, Calif. (Rialto High)
6	Atiyyah Henderson	RB	5-9	185	Sr.	3L	Rockledge, Fla. (Rockledge High)
7	Larry Parker	DB	5-11	175	So.	TR	San Diego, Calif. (St. Augustine High/Grossmont JC)
7	Alston Umuolo	TE	6-4	245	Jr.	2L	Phoenix, Ariz. (Centennial High)
9	Miles Burris	LB	6-2	235	So.	1L	Granite Bay, Calif. (Granite Bay High)
9	Drew Westling	QB	6-2	210	Sr.	1L	Mission Viejo, Calif. (Aliso Niguel HS/Southwestern JC)
10	Josh O'Brien	DB	6-4	215	Jr.	SQ	Del Mar, Calif. (Santa Fe Christian High)
11	Martrell Fantroy	DB	6-1	215	Jr.	1L	Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman High)
11	Brandon Kohn	WR	5-11	200	Sr.	SQ	Fairfield, Calif. (Fairfield High/Contra Costa College)
12	Jake Bernards	QB	6-5	200	Fr.	HS	Valencia, Calif. (West Ranch High)
13	Brandon Davis	DB	6-2	185	So.	1L	Oakland, Calif. (Castlemont High)
14	Ryan Lindley	QB	6-3	205	So.	1L	Alpine, Calif. (El Capitan High)
14	Brian Stahovich	P/K	6-0	175	So.	1L	Solana Beach, Calif. (Cathedral Catholic High)
15	Jose Perez	DB	6-1	180	Jr.	1L	Oceanside, Calif. (Oceanside High)
16	Bryan Finkel	LB	6-2	220	Sr.	SQ	South Tahoe, Calif. (South Tahoe High/Linfield College)
17	Doug Deakin	WR	6-0	180	Jr.	SQ	Oak Park, Calif. (Oak Park High)
17	Josh Wade	DB	6-0	180	Fr.	RS	San Diego, Calif. (Point Loma High)
18	Roberto Wallace	WR	6-4	225	Sr.	2L	Oceanside, Calif. (Oceanside High)
19	Jon Toledo	WR	6-3	215	Sr.	2L	Encinitas, Calif. (La Costa Canyon High)
20	Matthew Kawulok	FB	6-2	235	Sr.	3L	Boulder, Colo. (Monarch High)
21	Robert Gregorio	RB	5-10	165	Fr.	RS	Rolling Hills, Calif. (Palos Verdes High)
21	Aaron Moore	DB	6-0	190	Sr.	3L	Tampa, Fla. (Jefferson High)
22	Ronnie Hillman	RB	5-10	175	Fr.	HS	La Habra, Calif. (La Habra High)
22	Andrew Preston	LB	6-1	215	Jr.	2L	Centennial, Colo. (Arapahoe High)
23	Gabe Lemon	DB	5-10	175	Fr.	HS	Orange, Calif. (Lutheran High)
23	Brandon Sullivan	RB	5-11	215	Jr.	2L	Poway, Calif. (Poway High)
24	Kwincy Edwards	DB	5-11	175	Sr.	1L	Palmdale, Calif. (Palmdale High)
24	Colin Lockett	DB	6-0	165	Fr.	HS	Diamond Bar, Calif. (Diamond Bar High)
26	Marcus Andrews	DB	6-0	175	Fr.	HS	Los Angeles, Calif. (Crenshaw High)
27	Eric Pinkins	DB	6-3	180	Fr.	HS	Sacramento, Calif. (Inderkum High)
29	Derek Mack	DB	5-7	155	Fr.	RS	Spring Valley, Calif. (Otay Ranch High)
29	Bryan Shields	K/P	6-1	190	Jr.	SQ	Bonita, Calif. (Bonita Vista High/Utah State)
30	Davon Brown	RB	5-9	180	Jr.	2L	Torrance, Calif. (South High)
30	Darryn Lewis	DB	5-9	155	Jr.	1L	Elk Grove, Calif. (Franklin High)
31	Walter Kazee	RB	5-9	175	Fr.	HS	San Bernardino, Calif. (Cajon High)
31	Logan Ketchum	LB	6-3	215	So.	SQ	Oak Park, Calif. (Oak Park High)
32	Vincent Camarda	DB	6-2	195	So.	SQ	San Diego, Calif. (Cathedral Catholic High)
32	Anthony Miller	RB	6-0	220	Fr.	HS	Dallas, Texas (Carter High)
33	Ramon Judkins	RB	6-0	210	Fr.	RS	Los Angeles, Calif. (Beverly Hills High)
33	Colin Shumate	LB	6-2	220	Fr.	RS	Las Vegas, Nev. (Las Vegas High)
34	Jerry Milling	LB	5-10	215	Sr.	1L	Palmdale, Calif. (Palmdale High)
35	Luke Laolagi	LB	6-1	225	Sr.	3L	Reseda, Calif. (Birmingham High)
36	Nick Tenhaeff	LB	6-2	205	Fr.	HS	Atascadero, Calif. (Atascadero High)
37	James Simon	RB	5-7	175	So.	SQ	San Diego, Calif. (University City High)
38	Aarein Booker	DB	6-0	185	Fr.	HS	San Bernardino, Calif. (San Bernardino High)
39	Preston King	DB	5-10	175	Fr.	HS	Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif. (Tesoro High)
40	Zachary Shapiro	LB	6-2	230	Sr.	1L	Claremont, Calif. (Claremont High/Nevada)
41	Tony DeMartinis	TE	6-5	255	Sr.	3L	Sun Valley, Calif. (Notre Dame High)
42	Nick Sandford	DB	6-2	210	Sr.	3L	Orange, Calif. (El Modena High)
43	Ross Williams	DB	6-3	195	Fr.	RS	Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif. (Mission Viejo High)
44	Rob Andrews	LB	6-2	225	Fr.	RS	Pleasanton, Calif. (Foothill High)
45	Khalid Stevens	DB	5-11	200	Fr.	HS	Pacific Palisades, Calif. (Palisades High)
46	Jacob Driver	LB	6-2	210	Fr.	HS	Carlsbad, Calif. (La Costa Canyon High)
47	Nat Berhe	DB	5-10	160	Fr.	HS	Colton, Calif. (Colton High)
47	Jacob Tauanuu	DL	6-1	240	Jr.	RS	San Diego, Calif. (Helix High/UAB)

## Numerical

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Exp.	Hometown (High School/College)
48	Eron Moses	DL	6-4	235	So.	SQ	Yorba Linda, Calif. (Esperanza High)
49	J.J. Autele	DL	6-1	245	So.	SQ	Waipahu, Hawaii (Punahou High)
50	Chris Gordert	LB	6-0	225	Fr.	RS	Honolulu, Hawaii (Mira Mesa High (Calif.))
50	Trask Iosefa	OL	6-0	290	Jr.	2L	Ewa Beach, Hawaii (Punahou High)
51	Jimmy Miller	OL	6-3	290	Fr.	RS	Denver, Colo. (J.K. Mullen High)
51	Isaac Sensabaugh	LB	6-0	200	Fr.	RS	Long Beach, Calif. (Long Beach Poly High)
52	Marcus Yarbrough	LB	6-2	235	Jr.	2L	San Diego, Calif. (Eastlake High)
53	Emilio Rivera	OL	6-4	295	So.	1L	Sylmar, Calif. (Sylmar High)
54	Demetrius Barksdale	LB	6-3	210	So.	SQ	Lakeside, Calif. (University City High)
55	Neil Spencer	DL	6-2	265	So.	1L	Las Vegas, Nev. (Cimmarron-Memorial High)
56	Jonathan Soto	DL	6-3	260	Sr.	3L	West Covina, Calif. (Bishop Amat High)
57	Willie Watters	LB	6-2	225	Sr.	SQ	Englewood, Colo. (Cherry Creek High/Palomar JC)
58	Aaron Brewer	LS	6-5	215	So.	1L	Fullerton, Calif. (Troy High)
60	Tommie Draheim	OL	6-4	290	So.	SQ	Lakeside, Calif. (El Capitan High)
62	Peter Nelson	OL	6-5	295	Sr.	2L	St. Charles, Ill. (St. Charles North High)
63	Larry Gibbs	DL	6-0	230	So.	HS	Riverside, Calif. (Riverside Ramona High)
67	Ikaika Aken-Moleta	OL	6-2	295	Sr.	1L	Kapolei, Hawaii (Kapolei High)
68	Nik Embernate	OL	6-4	290	Fr.	HS	Yucaipa, Calif. (Yucaipa High)
69	Erik Quinones	OL	6-3	290	Fr.	RS	Canyon Lake, Calif. (Temescal Canyon High)
71	Alec Johnson	OL	6-3	300	Fr.	RS	Denver, Colo. (J.K. Mullen High)
72	Tom Rische	OL	6-4	290	Jr.	SQ	Fresno, Calif. (Bullard High)
73	Kellen Farr	OL	6-7	300	So.	1L	Mesa, Ariz. (Red Mountain High)
74	Mike Matamua	OL	6-4	290	So.	SQ	Kapolei, Hawaii (Kapolei High)
75	Leo Grassilli	OL	6-3	290	So.	SQ	Woodbridge, Va. (Hylton High)
77	Damian Shankle	OL	6-2	295	Sr.	SQ	Laguna Niguel, Calif. (Aliso Niguel High/Saddleback College)
78	Brian Milholland	OL	6-6	300	Fr.	RS	San Diego, Calif. (Helix High)
79	Kurtis Gunther	OL	6-8	285	So.	1L	Camarillo, Calif. (Adolfo Camarillo High)
80	Vincent Brown	WR	6-0	180	Jr.	2L	Rancho Cucamonga, Calif. (Rancho Cucamonga High)
81	Marven Jones	WR	6-4	205	Fr.	HS	San Diego, Calif. (Kearny High)
82	Leon McFadden	WR	5-10	165	Fr.	HS	Bellflower, Calif. (St. John Bosco High)
83	Osmond Nicholas	WR	6-3	195	Fr.	HS	Oceanside, Calif. (Oceanside High)
85	D.J. Shields	TE	6-4	240	Fr.	RS	Bonita, Calif. (Bonita Vista High)
86	Waika Spencer	TE	6-4	265	Sr.	3L	Honolulu, Hawaii (Kamehameha High)
87	Javier Nicholas	WR	6-0	190	So.	HS	Oceanside, Calif. (Oceanside High)
88	Gavin Escobar	TE	6-6	210	Fr.	HS	Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif. (Santa Margarita Catholic High)
88	Lane Yoshida	K	5-10	190	Sr.	1L	Pinole, Calif. (Pinole Valley HS/Reedley College)
89	Hunter Hewitt	TE	6-5	235	Fr.	RS	Lafayette, Calif. (Acalanes High)
90	B.J. Williams	DL	6-3	240	Jr.	2L	Aurora, Colo. (Eaglecrest High)
91	Frederick Trujillo	DL	6-1	220	Fr.	RS	Albuquerque, N.M. (Highland High)
94	Jerome Long	DL	6-5	265	So.	1L	Los Osos, Calif. (Morro Bay High)
95	Michael Sned	DL	6-4	250	So.	SQ	Oakland, Calif. (Skyline High)
96	Greg Scott	DL	6-2	265	Fr.	RS	Torrance, Calif. (Bishop Montgomery High)
97	Eric Ikonne	DL	6-0	250	Jr.	1L	Dallas, Texas (Newman Smith High)
99	Ernie Lawson	DL	6-3	270	Jr.	2L	Vallejo, Calif. (St. Patrick-St. Vincent High)

## Alphabetical

No.	Name	Pos.
62	Nelson, Peter	OL
87	Nicholas, Javier	WR
83	Nicholas, Osmond	WR
10	O'Brien, Josh	DB
7	♦ Parker, Larry	DB
15	Perez, Jose	DB
27	Pinkins, Eric	DB
22	Preston, Andrew	LB
69	Quinones, Erik	OL
72	Rische, Tom	OL
53	Rivera, Emilio	OL
1	♦ Sampson, DeMarco	WR
42	Sandford, Nick	DB
4	♦ Sandifer, Dominique	WR
96	Scott, Greg	DL
51	♦ Sensabaugh, Isaac	LB
77	Shankle, Damian	OL
40	Shapiro, Zachary	LB
29	♦ Shields, Bryan	K/P
85	Shields, D.J.	TE
33	♦ Shumate, Colin	LB
37	Simon, James	RB
95	Sned, Michael	DL
2	♦ Sokoloski, Kelsey	QB
56	Soto, Jonathan	DL
55	Spencer, Neil	DL
86	Spencer, Waika	TE
14	♦ Stahovich, Brian	P/K
45	Stevens, Khalid	DB
23	Sullivan, Brandon	RB
47	Tauanuu, Jacob	DL
36	Tenhaeff, Nick	LB
19	Toledo, Jon	WR
91	Trujillo, Frederick	DL
7	♦ Umuolo, Alston	TE
17	♦ Wade, Josh	DB
18	Wallace, Roberto	WR
57	Watters, Willie	LB
3	Wesley, Mekell	WR
9	♦ Westing, Drew	QB
90	Williams, B.J.	DL
43	Williams, Ross	DB
52	Yarbrough, Marcus	LB
88	Yoshida, Lane	K

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## The Coaching Staff

**Brady Hoke** (Ball State '82) Head Coach/Defensive Line, 1st season; **Al Borges** (Chico State '81) Offensive Coordinator, 1st season; **Rocky Long** (New Mexico '74), Defensive Coordinator, 1st season; **Jeff Hecklinski** (Western Illinois '97) Assistant Head Coach/Running Backs/Recruiting Coordinator, 1st season; **Dan Ferrigno** (San Francisco State '75) Tight Ends/Special Teams, 1st season; **Darrell Funk** (Colorado State '88) Offensive Line, 1st season; **LeCharis McDaniel** (Cal Poly '81) Wide Receivers, 9th season; **Brian Sipe** (San Diego State) Quarterbacks, 1st season; **Mark Smith** (Purdue '79) Linebackers, 1st season; **Tony White** (UCLA '02) Cornerbacks, 1st season; **Bob Lopez** (Illinois State '77) Director of Football Operations, 2nd season.

## Pronunciation Guide

<b>Ikaika Aken-Moleta</b>	ee-KYE-kuh A-kin MOW-let-uh	<b>Andy/Robert Gregorio</b>	greh-gore-EE-o	<b>Tom Rische</b>	rish-EE
<b>J.J. Autele</b>	all-tell-EE	<b>Atiyah Henderson</b>	uh-TEE-uh	<b>DeMarco Sampson</b>	duh-mark-O
<b>Nat Berhe</b>	nat bur-HEY	<b>Eric Ikonne</b>	eye-CON-ee	<b>Kelsey Sokoloski</b>	sock-OH-loss-key
<b>Aarein Booker</b>	air-EE-in	<b>Trask Iosefa</b>	i-o-SEF-uh	<b>Waika Spencer</b>	VIE-kuh
<b>Davon Brown</b>	duh-VAUGHN	<b>Ramon Judkins</b>	RAY-mun	<b>Brian Stahovich</b>	stuh-HOV-ituh
<b>Vincent Camarda</b>	cuh-MARD-uh	<b>Matthew Kawulok</b>	kuh-WALL-uk	<b>Khalid Stevens</b>	kuh-LEAD
<b>Doug Deakin</b>	DEE-kin	<b>Walter Kazee</b>	KAY-zz	<b>Nick Tenhaeff</b>	tin-OFF
<b>Tony DeMartinis</b>	dee-mar-TEE-niss	<b>Luke Laolagi</b>	Lao (Like now)-long-EE	<b>Alston Umuolo</b>	ALL-stun OO-moo-low
<b>Tommie Draheim</b>	DRAY-hime	<b>Mike Matamua</b>	mah-tah-MOO-uh	<b>Mekell Wesley</b>	MUH-kell
<b>Martrell Fantroy</b>	MAR-trell fant-ROY	<b>Davion Mauldin</b>	dave-EE-on	<b>Marcus Yarbrough</b>	yar-BRO
<b>Chris Gordert</b>	GORE-dert	<b>Eron Moses</b>	Aaron		
<b>Leo Grassilli</b>	gruh-SILL-ee	<b>Erik Quinones</b>	KEEN-own-is		

# Aztec Depth Chart

## Offense (PRO-STYLE)

			Career GP	GS	
<b>LT</b>	60	Tommie Draheim, 6-4, 285, So.-SQ, Lakeside, Calif.	0	0	
	74	Mike Matamua, 6-4, 305, So.-SQ, Kapolei, Hawaii	0	0	
	72	Tom Rische, 6-4, 320, Jr.-SQ, Fresno, Calif.	4	0	
<b>LG</b>	53	Emilio Rivera, 6-4, 330, So.-1L, Sylmar, Calif.	12	2	
	-OR-	71	Alec Johnson, 6-3, 300, Fr.-RS, Denver, Colo.	0	0
	75	Leo Grassilli, 6-3, 290, So.-SQ, Woodbridge, Va.	1	0	
	69	Erik Quinones, 6-3, 290, Fr.-RS, Canyon Lake, Calif.	0	0	
<b>C</b>	50	<b>Trask Iosefa</b> , 6-0, 290, Jr.-2L, Ewa Beach, Hawaii	24	24	
	77	Damian Shankle, 6-2, 295, Sr.-SQ, Laguna Niguel, Calif.	5	0	
<b>RG</b>	67	<b>Ikaika Aken-Moleta</b> , 6-2, 295, Sr.-1L, Kapolei, Hawaii	16	12	
	-OR-	73	Kellen Farr, 6-7, 300, So.-1L, Mesa, Ariz.	11	0
	51	Jimmy Miller, 6-3, 290, Fr.-RS, Denver, Colo.	0	0	
<b>RT</b>	62	<b>Peter Nelson</b> , 6-5, 295, Sr.-2L, St. Charles, Ill.	25	14	
	79	Kurtis Gunther, 6-8, 285, So.-1L, Camarillo, Calif.	6	1	
	68	Nik Embernate, 6-4, 290, Fr.-HS, Yucaipa, Calif.	0	0	
<b>TE</b>	7	Alston Umuolo, 6-4, 245, Jr.-2L, Phoenix, Ariz.	21	2	
	41	Tony DeMartinis, 6-5, 255, Sr.-3L, Sun Valley, Calif.	23	1	
	85	D.J. Shields, 6-4, 240, Fr.-RS, Bonita, Calif.	0	0	
	89	Hunter Hewitt, 6-5, 235, Fr.-RS, Lafayette, Calif.	0	0	
<b>FB</b>	20	<b>Matthew Kawulok</b> , 6-2, 235, Sr.-3L, Boulder, Colo.	30	12	
	33	Ramon Judkins, 6-0, 210, Fr.-RS, Los Angeles, Calif.	0	0	
<b>TB</b>	23	Brandon Sullivan, 5-11, 215, Jr.-2L, Poway, Calif.	19	7	
	6	<b>Atiyah Henderson</b> , 5-9, 185, Sr.-3L, Rockledge, Fla.	33	18	
	30	Davon Brown, 5-9, 180, Jr.-2L, Torrance, Calif.	13	0	
	21	Robert Gregorio, 5-10, 165, Fr.-RS, Palos Verdes, Calif.	0	0	
	37	James Simon, 5-7, 175, So.-SQ, San Diego, Calif.	0	0	
<b>QB</b>	14	<b>Ryan Lindley</b> , 6-3, 205, So.-1L, Alpine, Calif.	11	11	
	9	Drew Westling, 6-2, 210, Sr.-1L, Mission Viejo, Calif.	4	1	
	2	Kelsey Sokoloski, 6-2, 190, Jr.-2L, Englewood, Colo.	0	0	
<b>X</b>	80	<b>Vincent Brown</b> , 6-0, 180, Jr.-2L, Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.	24	20	
	1	DeMarco Sampson, 6-2, 210, Sr.-2L, Chula Vista, Calif.	23	0	
	3	Mekell Wesley, 5-10, 180, Sr.-3L, Chandler, Ariz.	30	8	
	17	Doug Deakin, 6-0, 180, Jr.-SQ, Oak Park, Calif.	0	0	
<b>Z</b>	18	<b>Roberto Wallace</b> , 6-4, 225, Sr.-2L, Oceanside, Calif.	20	10	
	19	Jon Toledo, 6-3, 215, Sr.-2L, Encinitas, Calif.	16	0	
	-OR-	4	Dominique Sandifer, 6-0, 180, Fr.-RS, Gardena, Calif.	0	0
	87	Javier Nicholas, 6-0, 190, So.-HS, Oceanside, Calif.	0	0	

## Special Teams

			Career GP
<b>P</b>	14	Brian Stahovich, 6-0, 175, So.-1L, Solana Beach, Calif.	12
	29	Bryan Shields, 6-1, 190, Jr.-SQ, Bonita, Calif.	0
<b>PK</b>	88	Lane Yoshida, 5-10, 190, Sr.-1L, Pinole, Calif.	12
	29	Bryan Shields, 6-1, 190, Jr.-SQ, Bonita, Calif.	0
<b>LS</b>	58	Aaron Brewer, 6-5, 215, So.-1L, Fullerton, Calif.	12
	50	Trask Iosefa, 6-0, 290, Jr.-2L, Ewa Beach, Hawaii	24

## Defense (3-3-5)

			Career GP	GS
<b>DE</b>	90	<b>B.J. Williams</b> , 6-3, 240, Jr.-2L, Aurora, Calif.	23	19
	94	<b>Jerome Long</b> , 6-5, 265, So.-1L, Los Osos, Calif.	11	7
	48	Eron Moses, 6-4, 235, So.-SQ, Yorba Linda, Calif.	0	0
	91	Frederick Trujillo, 6-1, 220, Fr.-RS, Albuquerque, N.M.	0	0
	95	Michael Snead, 6-4, 250, So.-SQ, Oakland, Calif.	0	0
<b>DT</b>	99	<b>Ernie Lawson</b> , 6-3, 270, Jr.-2L, Vallejo, Calif.	18	5
	55	Neil Spencer, 6-2, 265, So.-1L, Las Vegas, Nev.	12	1
	96	Greg Scott, 6-2, 265, Fr.-RS, Torrance, Calif.	0	0
<b>DE</b>	56	<b>Jonathan Soto</b> , 6-3, 260, Sr.-3L, West Covina, Calif.	34	20
	47	Jake Tauanuu, 6-1, 240, Jr.-RS, San Diego, Calif.	0	0
	63	Larry Gibbs, 6-0, 230, So.-HS, Riverside, Calif.	0	0
	49	J.J. Autele, 6-1, 245, So.-SQ, Waipahu, Hawaii	5	2
	97	Eric Ikonne, 6-0, 250, Jr.-1L, Dallas, Texas	11	2
<b>LB</b>	34	Jerry Milling, 5-10, 215, Sr.-1L, Palmdale, Calif.	18	2
	22	<b>Andrew Preston</b> , 6-1, 215, Jr.-2L, Centennial, Colo.	23	20
	16	Bryan Finkel, 6-2, 220, Sr.-SQ, South Lake Tahoe, Calif.	3	0
	44	Rob Andrews, 6-2, 225, Fr.-RS, Pleasanton, Calif.	0	0
	51	Isaac Sensabaugh, 6-0, 200, Fr.-RS, Long Beach, Calif.	0	0
<b>MIKE</b>	35	<b>Luke Laolagi</b> , 6-1, 225, Sr.-3L, Reseda, Calif.	34	24
	52	Marcus Yarbrough, 6-2, 235, Jr.-2L, San Diego, Calif.	21	1
	57	Willie Watters, 6-2, 225, Jr.-SQ, Englewood, Colo.	1	0
	50	Chris Gordert, 6-0, 225, Fr.-RS, Honolulu, Hawaii	0	0
<b>LB</b>	9	Miles Burris, 6-2, 235, So.-1L, Granite Bay, Calif.	12	0
	31	Logan Ketchum, 6-3, 215, So.-SQ, Oak Park, Calif.	5	0
	40	Zach Shapiro, 6-2, 230, Sr.-1L, Claremont, Calif.	7	0
	54	Demetrius Barksdale, 6-3, 210, So.-SQ, San Diego, Calif.	0	0
	33	Colin Shumate, 6-2, 220, Fr.-RS, Las Vegas, Nev.	0	0
<b>CB</b>	24	Kwincy Edwards, 5-11, 175, Sr.-1L, Palmdale, Calif.	9	0
	21	<b>Aaron Moore</b> , 6-0, 190, Sr.-3L, Tampa, Fla.	34	24
	17	Josh Wade, 6-0, 180, Fr.-RS, San Diego, Calif.	0	0
<b>W</b>	4	Romeo Horn, 6-1, 190, Jr.-2L, Fresno, Calif.	19	0
	32	Vincent Camarda, 6-2, 195, So.-SQ, San Diego, Calif.	0	0
	43	Ross Williams, 6-3, 195, Fr.-RS, Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif.	0	0
<b>A</b>	42	<b>Nick Sandford</b> , 6-2, 210, Sr.-3L, Orange, Calif.	27	7
	11	Martrell Fantroy, 6-1, 215, Jr.-1L, Las Vegas, Nev.	12	0
	10	Josh O'Brien, 6-4, 215, Jr.-SQ, Del Mar, Calif.	0	0
<b>W</b>	13	Brandon Davis, 6-2, 185, So.-1L, Oakland, Calif.	11	0
	5	Dey Juan Hemmings, 5-11, 190, Jr.-2L, San Bernadino, Calif.	24	0
	1	Andy Gregorio, 5-9, 190, Jr.-SQ, Palos Verdes, Calif.	0	0
<b>CB</b>	2	Davion Mauldin, 5-10, 165, Sr.-1L, Compton, Calif.	9	1
	15	Jose Perez, 6-1, 180, Jr.-1L, Oceanside, Calif.	10	2
	30	Darryn Lewis, 5-9, 155, Jr.-1L, Elk Grove, Calif.	9	0
	29	Derek Mack, 5-9, 155, Fr.-RS, Spring Valley, Calif.	0	0

Depth chart at the completion of spring practice. Bold indicates player started at least six games in 2008.

# Aztecs At A Glance

## Aztecs By Class

Personnel listed with eligibility as it will be entering the 2009 season.

### SENIORS (24)

OL Ikaika Aken-Moleta, TE Tony DeMartinis, DB Kwincy Edwards, LB Bryan Finkel, RB Atiyah Henderson, FB Matthew Kawulok, WR Brandon Kohn, LB Luke Laolagi, DB Davion Mauldin, LB Jerry Milling, DB Aaron Moore, OL Peter Nelson, WR DeMarco Sampson, DB Nick Sandford, OL Damian Shankle, LB Zachary Shapiro, DL Jonathan Soto, TE Waika Spencer, WR Jon Toledo, WR Roberto Wallace, LB Willie Watters, WR Mekell Wesley, QB Drew Westling, K Lane Yoshida

### JUNIORS (22)

RB Davon Brown, WR Vincent Brown, WR Doug Deakin, DB Martrell Fantroy, DB Andy Gregorio, DB Dey Juan Hemmings, DB Romeo Horn, DL Eric Ikonne, OL Trask Iosefa, DL Ernie Lawson, DB Darryn Lewis, DB Josh O'Brien, DB Jose Perez, LB Andrew Preston, OL Tom Rische, K/P Bryan Shields, QB Kelsey Sokoloski, RB Brandon Sullivan, DL Jacob Tauanuu, TE Alston Umuolo, DL B.J. Williams, LB Marcus Yarbrough

### SOPHOMORES (23)

DL J.J. Autele, LB Demetrius Barksdale, LS Aaron Brewer, LB Miles Burris, DB Vincent Camarda, DB Brandon Davis, OL Tommie Draheim, OL Kellen Farr, DL Larry Gibbs, OL Leo Grassilli, OL Kurtis Gunther, LB Logan Ketchum, QB Ryan Lindley, DL Jerome Long, OL Mike Matamua, DL Eron Moses, WR Javier Nicholas, DB Larry Parker, OL Emilio Rivera, RB James Simon, DE Michael Snead, DL Neil Spencer, P/K Brian Stahovich

### REDSHIRT FRESHMEN (18)

LB Rob Andrews, LB Chris Gordert, RB Robert Gregorio, TE Hunter Hewitt, OL Alec Johnson, RB Ramon Judkins, DB Derek Mack, OL Brian Milholland, OL Jimmy Miller, OL Erik Quinones, WR Dominique Sandifer, DL Greg Scott, LB Issac Sensabaugh, TE D.J. Shields, LB Colin Shumate, DL Frederick Trujillo, DB Josh Wade, DB Ross Williams

### TRUE FRESHMEN (19)

DB Marcus Andrews, DB Nat Berhe, QB Jake Bernards, DB Aarein Booker, LB Jacob Driver, OL Nik Embernate, TE Gavin Escobar, RB Ronnie Hillman, WR Marven Jones, RB Walter Kazee, DB Preston King, DB Gabe Lemon, DB Colin Lockett, WR Leon McFadden, RB Anthony Miller, WR Osmond Nicholas, DB Eric Pinkins, DB Khalid Stevens, LB Nick Tenhaeff

## What Returns

By percentage, what returns from last season.

OFFENSE	Pct.
Rushing Yards	.78.7
Passing Yards	.99.6
Receiving Yards	.76.0
Scoring	.74.0

DEFENSE	Pct.
Tackles	.65.0
Tackles For Loss	.75.4
Sacks	.76.9
Forced Fumbles	.45.5
Fumble Recoveries	.50.0
Interceptions	.55.5

SPECIAL TEAMS	Pct.
Field Goals	.100.0
Punting Yards	.100.0
Punt Return Yards	.100.0
Kickoff Return Yards	.100.0

## Starters Returning & Lost

### OFFENSIVE STARTERS RETURNING (8)

Pos.	Name	Career Starts
RG	Ikaika Aken-Moleta	.12
WR	Vincent Brown	.20
RB	Atiyah Henderson	.18
C	Trask Iosefa	.24
TE	Matthew Kawulok	.12
QB	Ryan Lindley	.11
RT	Peter Nelson	.14
WR	Roberto Wallace	.10
	TOTAL	.121

### OFFENSIVE STARTERS LOST (3)

Pos.	Name	Career Starts
LT	Lance Louis	.17
WR	Darren Mougey	.19
LG	Mike Schmidt	.23
	TOTAL	.59

### DEFENSIVE STARTERS RETURNING (7)

Pos.	Name	Career Starts
LB	Luke Laolagi	.24
DL	Ernie Lawson	.5
DL	Jerome Long	.7
DB	Aaron Moore	.24
LB	Andrew Preston	.20
DL	Jonathan Soto	.20
DL	B.J. Williams	.19
	TOTAL	.119

### DEFENSIVE STARTERS LOST (5)

Pos.	Name	Career Starts
LB	Russell Allen	.43
S	Corey Boudreaux	.22
DL	Siaosi Fifita	.15
DB	Vonnie Holmes	.18
S	T.J. McKay	.11
	TOTAL	.109

### KICKERS RETURNING (2)

Pos.	Name
P	Brian Stahovich
PK	Lane Yoshida

### KICKERS LOST (0)

## Returning Statistical Leaders

Rushing	Atiyah Henderson (120 att., 490 yds., 4 TDs)
Passing	Ryan Lindley (242-427-9, 2,653 yds., 16 TDs)
Receiving	Vincent Brown (64 rec., 631 yds., 5 TDs)
Total Offense	Ryan Lindley (458 plays, 2,591 yards)
All-Purpose	Atiyah Henderson (718 yards)
Punt Returns	Mekell Wesley (12 ret., 7.8 ypr.)
Kickoff Returns	Davion Mauldin (26 ret., 22.6 ypr., 1 TD)
Field Goals	Lane Yoshida (8-for-12)
Scoring	Lane Yoshida (51 points)
Tackles	Luke Laolagi (99)
Tackles For Loss	B.J. Williams (10.5-31 yards)
Sacks	B.J. Williams (3.5)
Interceptions	Jose Perez (2)
Punting Average	Brian Stahovich (39.5)

## Lost Statistical Leaders

Rushing	Tyler Campbell (33 att., 152 yds.)
Passing	Darren Mougey (2-4-0, 12 yards, 0 TDs)
Receiving	Darren Mougey (34 rec., 437 yds., 4 TDs)
Total Offense	Tyler Campbell (33 plays, 152 yds.)
All-Purpose	Darren Mougey (462 yds.)
Punt Returns	none
Kickoff Returns	none
Field Goals	none
Scoring	Darren Mougey (30 points)
Tackles	Russell Allen (107)
Tackles For Loss	Russell Allen (9.5-23 yards)
Sacks	Russell Allen (2.5-12 yards)
Interceptions	Corey Boudreaux (2)
Punting Average	none

## Geographical Breakdown

Current Aztecs by home state or country.

### CALIFORNIA (78)

DB Marcus Andrews, LB Rob Andrews, LB Demetrius Barksdale, DB Nat Berhe, QB Jake Bernards, DB Aarein Booker, LS Aaron Brewer, RB Davon Brown, WR Vincent Brown, LB Miles Burris, DB Vincent Camarda, DB Brandon Davis, WR Doug Deakin, TE Tony DeMartini, OL Tommie Draheim, LB Jacob Driver, DB Kwincy Edwards, OT Nik Embernate, LB Bryan Finkel, DL Larry Gibbs, DB Andy Gregorio, RB Robert Gregorio, OL Kurtis Gunther, DB Dey Juan Hemmings, TE Hunter Hewitt, RB Ronnie Hillman, DB Romeo Horn, WR Marven Jones, RB Ramon Judkins, RB Walter Kazee, LB Logan Ketchum, DB Preston King, WR Brandon Kohn, LB Luke Laolagi, DL Ernie Lawson, DB Gabe Lemon, DB Darryn Lewis, QB Ryan Lindley, DB Colin Lockett, DL Jerome Long, DB Derek Mack, DB Davion Mauldin, OL Brian Millholland, LB Jerry Milling, DE Eron Moses, WR Javier Nicholas, WR Osmond Nicholas, DB Josh O'Brien, DB Larry Parker, DB Jose Perez, DB Eric Pinkins, OL Erik Quinones, OL Tom Rische, OL Emilio Rivera, WR DeMarco Sampson, DB Nick Sandford, WR Dominique Sandifer, DL Greg Scott, LB Issac Sensabaugh, OL Damian Shankle, LB Zachary Shapiro, K/P Bryan Shields, TE D.J. Shields, RB James Simon, DE Michael Snead, DL Jonathan Soto, P/K Brian Stahovich, DB Khalid Stevens, RB Brandon Sullivan, DL Jacob Tauanu, LB Nick Tenhaeff, WR Jon Toledo, DB Josh Wade, WR Roberto Wallace, QB Drew Westling, DB Ross Williams, LB Marcus Yarbrough, K Lane Yoshida

### COLORADO (7)

FB Matthew Kawulok, OL Alec Johnson, OL Jimmy Miller, LB Andrew Preston, QB Kelsey Sokoloski, LB Willie Watters, DL B.J. Williams

### HAWAII (6)

OL Ikaika Aken-Moleta, DE J.J. Autele, LB Chris Gordert, OL Trask Iosefa, OL Mike Matamua, TE Waika Spencer

### ARIZONA (3)

OL Kellen Farr, TE Alston Umuolo, WR Mekell Wesley

### NEVADA (3)

DB Martrell Fantroy, LB Colin Shumate, DL Neil Spencer

### FLORIDA (2)

RB Atiyah Henderson, DB Aaron Moore

### TEXAS (2)

DE Eric Ikonne, RB Anthony Miller

### ILLINOIS (1)

OL Peter Nelson

### NEW MEXICO (1)

DL Frederick Trujillo

### VIRGINIA (1)

OL Leo Grassilli

## 2009 Signing Class

Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown
Marcus Andrews	DB	6-0	175	Los Angeles, Calif.
Nat Berhe	DB	5-10	160	Colton, Calif.
Jake Bernards	QB	6-5	200	Valencia, Calif.
Aarein Booker	DB	6-0	185	San Bernardino, Calif.
Jacob Driver	LB	6-2	210	Carlsbad, Calif.
Gavin Escobar	TE	6-6	210	R. Santa Margarita, Calif.
Ronnie Hillman	RB	5-10	175	La Habra, Calif.
Marven Jones	WR	6-4	205	San Diego, Calif.
Walter Kazee	RB	5-9	175	San Bernardino, Calif.
Preston King	DB	5-10	175	R. Santa Margarita, Calif.
Gabe Lemon	DB	5-10	175	Orange, Calif.
Colin Lockett	DB	6-0	165	Diamond Bar, Calif.
Leon McFadden	WR	5-10	165	Bellflower, Calif.
Anthony Miller	RB	6-0	220	Dallas, Texas
Osmond Nicholas	WR	6-3	195	Oceanside, Calif.
Larry Parker#	DB	5-11	175	San Diego, Calif.
Eric Pinkins	DB	6-3	180	Sacramento, Calif.
Khalid Stevens	DB	5-11	200	Pacific Palisades, Calif.
Nick Tenhaeff	LB	6-2	205	Atascadero, Calif.

# = Junior college transfer



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*An Oceanside High graduate, senior Roberto Wallace had 31 catches last season.*

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