



KENTUCKY WILDCATS

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Date	Opponent (TV)	Time
8/31	SOUTHERN MISS (SECN)	W, 31-0
9/7	SOUTH CAROLINA* (ABC)	3:30 P.M.
9/14	GEORGIA* (ABC)	7:30 P.M.
9/21	OHIO (SECN)	12:45 P.M.
9/28	at Ole Miss* (ABC/ESPN)	NOON
10/12	VANDERBILT* (TBA)	TBA
10/19	at Florida* (TBA)	TBA
10/26	AUBURN* (TBA)	TBA
11/2	at Tennessee* (TBA)	TBA
11/16	MURRAY STATE (SECN+/ESPN+)	1:30 p.m.
11/23	at Texas* (TBA)	TBA
11/30	LOUISVILLE (TBA)	TBA

Home games in bold; *SEC game



RV/RV KENTUCKY VS. SOUTH CAROLINA

SATURDAY, SEPT. 7

3:30 P.M. ET • ABC

LEXINGTON, KY.

KROGER FIELD AT C.M. NEWTON GROUNDS



WILDCATS

2024 Record / SEC Record 1-0 / 0-0
 AP / AFCA Coaches Poll RV / RV
 Head Coach Mark Stoops
 Career Record at UK (Years) 64-65 (12th)
 On-Field Career Record 74-65 (12th)
 Last Game W, 31-0 vs. Southern Miss (8/31/24)

GAMECOCKS

2024 Record / SEC Record 1-0 / 0-0
 AP / AFCA Coaches Poll NR / NR
 Head Coach Shane Beamer
 Record at South Carolina (Years) 21-18 (4th)
 Career Record (Years) 21-18 (4th)
 Last Game W, 23-19, vs. ODU (8/31/24)

QUICK NOTES

- Kentucky will play host to South Carolina for both teams' Southeastern Conference opener on Saturday, Sept. 7 at 3:30 p.m. ET on ABC.
 - Despite winning seven of the last 10 meetings, the Wildcats will aim to break its two-game losing skid to the Gamecocks, last defeating them on Sept. 25, 2021, in a 16-10 outcome in Columbia, South Carolina.
- The Wildcats have won every conference game hosted in the month of September since 2021. That is five straight conference wins during the month, including two in 2021, one in 2022 and two in 2023.
- Kentucky, who begins its season with four straight home games, is coming off a unique win in the season opener against Southern Miss on Aug. 31.
 - Originally scheduled for 7:45 p.m. ET, the game was delayed by lightning and didn't begin until 10:05 p.m. It was then stopped by a lightning delay at 11:51 p.m. before being called final at 12:25 p.m. The game ended with 9:56 remaining in the third quarter, as the Wildcats defeated the Golden Eagles, 31-0.
- In the abbreviated game, Kentucky limited Southern Miss to just six possessions and 131 yards total offense, including just five yards rushing. UK garnered interceptions on its first two defensive possessions of the game, credited to Jamon Dumas-Johnson and JQ Hardaway.
 - Georgia quarterback transfer Brock Vandagriff made his first career start, completing 12-of-18 passes for 169 yards and three touchdowns - also adding 35 yards rushing - all of which marked career highs.
- Bush Hamdan, newly hired offensive coordinator, inherited a group that includes a deep and veteran quarterback room, a trio of wide receivers that have more than 1,000 career yards receiving each and 76.9 percent of possible starts on the offensive line from 2023.
- This season, UK retained nine starters on defense from 2023.
 - Altogether, 16 defenders on the roster have seen significant action for at least two seasons, either at Kentucky or another school in the FBS, and another nine defenders have seen significant action for one season either at Kentucky or elsewhere.
- Three Wildcats received preseason All-America nods, including return specialist Barion Brown (*Athlon*, *Phil Steele*, *Sporting News* and *USA Today*), defensive lineman Deone Walker (*AP*, *Athlon*, *ESPN*, *Phil Steele*, *Sporting News*, *USA Today* and *Walter Camp*) and defensive back Maxwell Hairston (*Athlon*).
- Kentucky football head coach Mark Stoops is the longest-tenured active head coach in the Southeastern Conference and the sixth longest-tenured active head coach in FBS.
 - Now in his 12th season at Kentucky, Stoops is one of only 19 head coaches who have coached at least 12 seasons at an SEC school since the league's first season in 1933.

GAME INFORMATION

TV - ABC
 Play-by-Play Sean McDonough
 Analyst Greg McElroy
 Sideline Molly McGrath

LOCAL RADIO - UK SPORTS NETWORK OR UK ATHLETICS.COM
 Play-by-Play Tom Leach
 Analyst Jeff Piecoro
 Sideline Dick Gabriel

SATELLITE RADIO - SIRIUSXM
 139 or 191

LIVE STATS - UKATHLETICS.COM

TICKET INFORMATION - UKATHLETICS.COM

BY THE NUMBERS

17 STRAIGHT REGULAR-SEASON VICTORIES VS. NONCONFERENCE OPPONENTS

15 STRAIGHT REGULAR-SEASON HOME VICTORIES VS. NONCONFERENCE OPPONENTS

UK DEFENSE HAS ALLOWED FEWER THAN 26 POINTS PER GAME AND 160 RUSHING YARDS PER GAME IN SIX STRAIGHT SEASONS

MARK STOOPS HOLDS SCHOOL RECORDS FOR WINS (64) AND BOWL APPEARANCES (7)





2024 GAME NOTES

NUMERICAL ROSTER

0*	Deone Walker	DL	6-6	345	Jr-2L
0*	Demie Sumo-Karngbaye	RB	6-0	210	Sr-1L
1	Maxwell Hairston	DB	6-1	186	Jr-2L
2*	Jamon Dumas-Johnson	ILB	6-1	245	Sr-Tr
2*	Gavin Wimsatt	QB	6-3	227	Jr-Tr
3	Alex Afari Jr.	ILB	6-2	222	Jr-2L
4*	Kristian Story	DB	6-1	213	Sr-Tr
4*	Chip Trayanum	RB	5-11	227	Sr-Tr
5*	Anthony Brown-Stephens	WR	5-10	176	So-1L
5*	DJ Waller Jr.	DB	6-3	202	So-Tr
6*	JQ Hardaway	DB	6-3	191	Jr-1L
6*	Dane Key	WR	6-3	210	Jr-2L
7	Barion Brown	WR	6-1	182	Jr-2L
8*	Cutter Boley	QB	6-5	214	Fr-HS
8*	Octavious Oxendine	DL	6-1	278	Sr-4L
9*	Ja'Mori Maclin	WR	5-11	190	Jr-Tr
9*	Keeshawn Silver	DL	6-4	336	Jr-1L
10*	Jantzen Dunn	DB	6-0	185	Jr-1L
10*	Jamarion Wilcox	RB	5-10	197	Fr-RS
11*	Beau Allen	QB	6-2	223	Sr-Tr
11*	Zion Childress	DB	6-0	195	Sr-2L
12*	Brock Vandagriff	QB	6-3	217	Jr-Tr
12*	Quay'sheed Scott	DB	6-0	192	Fr-HS
13*	Fred Farrier II	WR	6-1	182	Jr-Tr
13*	J.J. Weaver	OLB	6-5	255	Sr-4L
14	Ty Bryant	DB	6-0	197	So-1L
15	Khamari Anderson	TE	6-5	252	So-1L
16*	Alex Raynor	K	6-0	185	Sr-1L
16*	Jacob Smith	OLB	6-4	240	Fr-HS
17*	Hardley Gilmore IV	WR	6-1	178	Fr-HS
17*	Daveren Rayner	ILB	6-2	217	Sr-1L
18*	Brandon White	WR	5-9	167	So-Sq
18*	Cam Dooley	DB	6-2	204	Fr-HS
20	Terhyon Nichols	DB	5-11	195	Fr-HS
21*	Nasir Addison	DB	6-0	199	So-1L
21*	Santos Alvarez	WR	5-11	178	So-Sq
22	Grant Godfrey	ILB	6-3	225	Fr-RS
23	Brian Robinson	DL	6-5	261	Fr-HS
24	Jaden Smith	DB	6-3	206	Fr-HS
25	Jordan Lovett	DB	6-2	205	Jr-2L
26	Jason Patterson	RB	5-10	206	Fr-HS
27*	Max DeGraff	WR	5-11	167	So-Sq
27*	Quavo Marshall	DB	6-4	181	Fr-HS
28	Tovani Mizell	RB	6-0	215	Fr-HS
29	Jackson Schulz	DB	6-2	198	Jr-Sq
30	Avery Stuart	DB	6-2	196	Fr-RS
31	Quintavion Norman	ILB	6-3	210	Fr-HS
32	Devin Smith	ILB	6-0	221	Fr-HS
33*	Rico Crowder	WR	6-4	188	Fr-HS
33*	Carson Wright	ILB	5-10	210	So-Sq
34*	Jayvant Brown	ILB	6-0	225	So-1L
34*	Trey Dennis	WR	5-8	144	Sr-Sq
35*	Jake Krekeler	RB	5-10	185	Fr-HS
35*	Steven Soles Jr.	OLB	6-2	225	Fr-HS
36	Chy Rivers	WR	5-8	181	So-Sq
36*	Andrew Weber	DB	6-0	175	Fr-HS
37*	Sage Dawson	DB	5-11	170	Fr-HS
37*	Spencer Leadbetter	WR	6-3	186	So-Sq
38	Henry Bennett	RB	5-10	201	So-Sq

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

21	Nasir Addison	DB	6-0	199	So-1L	Newark, N.J. (Irvington)
3	Alex Afari Jr.	ILB	6-2	222	Jr-2L	Cincinnati, Ohio (Lakota West)
11	Beau Allen	QB	6-2	223	Sr-Tr	Lexington, Ky. (Georgia Southern/Tarleton St./Lexington Catholic)
21	Santos Alvarez	WR	5-11	178	So-Sq	Cincinnati, Ohio (Anderson)
15	Khamari Anderson	TE	6-5	252	So-1L	Detroit, Mich. (Cass Tech)
77	Trent Baker	LS	6-2	210	Fr-HS	Friendswood, Texas (Friendswood)
38	Henry Bennett	RB	5-10	201	So-Sq	West Palm Beach, Fla. (Cardinal Newman)
93	Wilson Berry	P	6-4	217	Jr-1L	Maribyrnong, Australia (Maribyrnong College)
59	Lincoln Billiter	DL	6-3	288	So-Sq	Virgie, Ky. (Shelby Valley)
8	Cutter Boley	QB	6-5	214	Fr-HS	Hodgenville, Ky. (Lexington Christian)
39	Troy Booker	DB	5-10	186	Fr-HS	Evans, Ga. (Augusta Christian)
5	Anthony Brown-Stephens	WR	5-10	176	So-1L	Springfield, Ohio (Springfield)
7	Barion Brown	WR	6-1	182	Jr-2L	Nashville, Tenn. (Pearl-Cohn)
34	Jayvant Brown	ILB	6-0	225	So-1L	Deerfield Beach, Fla. (St. Thomas Aquinas)
45	Jase Bruner	ILB	6-2	235	Sr-Sq	Science Hill, Ky. (Somerset)
14	Ty Bryant	DB	6-0	197	So-1L	Lexington, Ky. (Frederick Douglass)
64	Jackson Bunn	DL	6-2	301	So-Sq	Oxford, Ala. (Oxford)
62	Jager Burton (Jagger)	OL	6-4	316	Jr-2L	Lexington, Ky. (Frederick Douglass)
45	Darius Cannon	WR	5-9	177	So-Sq	Gainesville, Ga. (Gainesville)
11	Zion Childress	DB	6-0	195	Sr-2L	Houston, Texas (Texas State/New Caney)
70	Ben Christman	OL	6-6	325	Jr-Sq	Akron, Ohio (Ohio State/Revere)
75	Eli Cox	OL	6-4	309	Sr-4L	Nicholasville, Ky. (West Jessamine)
69	Marques Cox	OL	6-5	318	Sr-1L	Peoria, Ill. (Northern Illinois/Peoria)
78	Anfernee Crease	OL	6-6	315	So-Tr	Tomball, Texas (Navarro College/Tomball Memorial)
33	Rico Crowder	WR	6-4	188	Fr-HS	Glasgow, Ky. (Glasgow)
53	Hayden Dawahare	OLB	6-3	230	So-Sq	Lexington, Ky. (Lexington Catholic)
37	Sage Dawson	DB	5-11	170	Fr-HS	Danville, Ky. (Boyle County)
27	Max DeGraff	WR	5-11	167	So-Sq	Lexington, Ky. (Lexington Catholic)
34	Trey Dennis	WR	5-8	144	Sr-Sq	Lexington, Ky. (Sayre)
85	Jordan Dingle	TE	6-4	242	Jr-2L	Bowling Green, Ky. (Bowling Green HS)
18	Cam Dooley	DB	6-2	204	Fr-HS	Valley, Ala. (Valley)
2	Jamon Dumas-Johnson	ILB	6-1	245	Sr-Tr	Hyattsville, Md. (Georgia/St. Frances Academy)
10	Jantzen Dunn	DB	6-0	185	Jr-1L	Bowling Green, Ky. (Ohio State/South Warren)
52	Jalen Farmer	OL	6-5	314	So-Tr	Covington, Ga. (Florida/Eastside)
13	Fred Farrier II	WR	6-1	182	Jr-Tr	Frankfort, Ky. (UAB/Franklin County)
42	Tyrese Fearbry	OLB	6-5	242	So-1L	Pittsburgh, Pa. (Perry Traditional Academy)
74	Courtland Ford	OL	6-6	327	Sr-1L	Peoria, Ill. (Southern California/Cedar Hill (Texas)
94	Tavion Gadson	DL	6-5	295	Fr-RS	Savannah, Ga. (Jenkins)
99	Kendrick Gilbert	DL	6-5	275	Fr-RS	Indianapolis, Ind. (Indianapolis Cathedral)
17	Hardley Gilmore IV	WR	6-1	178	Fr-HS	Belle Glade, Fla. (Pahokee)
86	Ethan Gregory	WR	5-8	190	Fr-HS	London, Ky. (North Laurel)
22	Grant Godfrey	ILB	6-3	225	Fr-RS	Suwanee, Ga. (North Gwinnett)
1	Maxwell Hairston	DB	6-1	186	Jr-2L	West Bloomfield, Mich. (West Bloomfield)
6	JQ Hardaway	DB	6-3	191	Jr-1L	Columbus, Ga. (Cincinnati/Central-Phenix City, Ala.)
98	Kenyatta Hardge II	DL	6-0	285	Fr-HS	Lexington, Ky. (Lexington Christian)
97	Josaih Hayes	DL	6-3	322	Sr-4L	Horn Lake, Miss. (Horn Lake)
50	Darrion Henry-Young	DL	6-4	290	Sr-2L	Cincinnati, Ohio (Ohio State/Princeton HS)
56	Walker Himebauch	LS	6-1	223	So-1L	Monument, Colo. (Palmer Ridge)
79	Dennious Jackson	DL	6-5	335	Jr-Tr	Augusta, Ga. (Contra Costa College/Lakeside)
54	D'Eryk Jackson	ILB	6-1	244	Sr-4L	Dublin, Ga. (West Laurens)
72	Hayes Johnson	OL	6-4	300	Fr-HS	Campbellsville, Ky. (Taylor County)
84	Josh Kattus	TE	6-4	246	Jr-2L	Cincinnati, Ohio (Archbishop Moeller)
44	Justin Kattus	TE	6-1	216	Fr-HS	Cincinnati, Ohio (St. Xavier)
91	Jacob Kauwe	K	6-1	206	Fr-HS	Billings, Mont. (Billings West)
50	Koby Keenum	OL	6-4	302	Fr-RS	Florence, Ala. (Mars Hill Bible School)
6	Dane Key	WR	6-3	210	Jr-2L	Lexington, Ky. (Frederick Douglass)
35	Jake Krekeler	RB	5-10	185	Fr-HS	Castle Rock, Colo. (Argyle TX)
48	Aidan Laros	P	6-2	212	Jr-Tr	Cape Town, South Africa (UT Martin/Charlotte/Northwood)
37	Spencer Leadbetter	WR	6-3	186	So-Sq	Glenview, Ill. (Loyola Academy)
88	Tanner Lemaster	TE	6-5	250	Fr-RS	Washington Court House, Ohio (Washington)
25	Jordan Lovett	DB	6-2	205	Jr-2L	Radcliff, Ky. (North Hardin)
68	Charlie Lush	OL	6-5	255	Fr-HS	Lexington, Ky. (Lexington Catholic)
9	Ja'Mori Maclin	WR	5-11	190	Jr-Tr	Kirkwood, Mo. (North Texas/Missouri/Kirkwood)
43	Landon Marcum	OLB	6-2	187	So-Sq	Winchester, Ky. (George Rogers Clark)





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55	Noah Matthews	OLB	6-5	254	So-1L
42	Alex McLaughlin	LS	5-10	229	Jr-Tr
66	Tino Merlo	OL	6-2	283	So-Sq
51	Daniel Mincey	OL	6-4	290	Fr-HS
54	Gerald Mincey	OL	6-6	335	Sr-Tr
63	Kyle Mixon	OL	6-5	322	Fr-HS
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90	Tre'vonn Rybka	DL	6-4	284	Sr-3L
92	Kahlil Saunders	DL	6-5	291	Jr-2L
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Bridgeville, Del. (Woodbridge)
Weddington, N.C. (Illinois/NC State/Weddington)
Youngstown, Ohio (Cardinal Mooney)
Pompano Beach, Fla. (Cardinal Gibbons)
Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Tennessee/Florida/Cardinal Gibbons)
Warner Robins, Ga. (Northside)
Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Western)
Lexington, Ky. (Lexington Catholic)
West Palm Beach, Fla. (Cardinal Newman)
Toledo, Ohio (Central Catholic)
Cincinnati, Ohio (Withrow)
Covington, Ga. (Newton)
Radcliff, Ky. (North Hardin)
Birmingham, Ala. (La Cueva)
Sneads, Fla. (Sneads)
Philadelphia, Pa. (Roman Catholic)
Noblesville, Ind. (West Virginia/Noblesville)
Indianapolis, Ind. (Northern Illinois/Lawrence Central)
Kennesaw, Ga. (Georgia Southern/Harrison)
St. Louis, Mo. (De Smet)
Baton Rouge, La. (Parkview Baptist)
Youngstown, Ohio (Westerville North)
Taylor Mill, Ky. (Covington Catholic)
Dickson, Tenn. (Dickson County)
Huntsville, Ala. (Grissom)
Louisville, Ky. (Trinity)
Marion, S.C. (Marion)
Independence, Ky. (Simon Kenton)
Rocky Mount, N.C. (North Carolina/Rocky Mount)
Atlanta, Ga. (Westlake)
Brunswick, Ga. (Brunswick)
Somerset, Ky. (Corbin)
Charlotte, N.C. (West Charlotte)
Somerset, Ky. (Corbin)
Powell, Tenn. (Powell)
Lanett, Ala. (Alabama/Lanett)
Montgomery, Ala. (Alabama Christian)
Willingboro, N.J. (NC State/Willingboro)
Fort Worth, Texas (Grapevine Faith Christian)
Akron, Ohio (Ohio State/Arizona State/Archibald Hoban)
Bogart, Ga. (Georgia/Prince Avenue Christian)
Woonsocket, R.I. (Bishop Hendricken)
Detroit, Mich. (Cass Tech)
Youngstown, Ohio (Michigan/Chaney)
Philadelphia, Pa. (St. Joseph's)
Louisville, Ky. (Moore Traditional)
Cincinnati, Ohio (St. Xavier)
Cincinnati, Ohio (Archbishop Moeller)
Douglasville, Ga. (South Paulding)
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PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

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 Marques (MARK-us) Cox
 Josaih (joe-SIGH-uh) Hayes
 Walker Himebauch (hime-BOCK)
 Dennious Jackson (dee-NIE-us)
 D'Eryk (dee-ERIC) Jackson
 Tanner Lemaster (LEE-master)

Aidan Laros (luh-ROSS)
 Ja'Mori Maclin (jah-MORE-ee)
 Terhyon Nichols (tuh-RYAN)
 Daveren (DAVE-ren) Rayner
 Jerod Smith II (jer-AWD)
 Demie (DEHM-ee) Sumo-Karngbaye (SUE-moh KARNG-bay)
 Chip Trayanum (TRAY-num)
 Rushaune Vilane (rah-SHAWN)
 Deone (dee-ON) Walker
 Tommy Ziesmer (ZEES-mer)





WEEKLY MEDIA SCHEDULE - WEEK TWO

Monday - 2	Tuesday - 3	Wednesday - 4	Thursday - 5	Friday - 6	Saturday - 7	Sunday - 8
Stoops news conference - Noon ET Carried live on UKAthletics.com Mark Stoops Call-in Show 7-8 pm	Post-Practice: OC Bush, Off. Players - 5:45 pm ET	Post-Practice: DC White, Def. Players - 5:45 pm ET	Post-Practice: Stoops 5:15 pm ET	No availability	UK vs. South Carolina 3:30 ET Kroger Field ABC	No availability

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MEDIA SERVICES

CREDENTIAL APPROVALS/DENIALS

For the South Carolina game, requests are being accepted through Sportssystem and the deadline to apply is Monday, Sept. 2 at 5 p.m. ET. No approved credentials will be distributed prior to game day. They will be picked up at Media Will Call at Gate 11 on game days. Apply at www.sportssystem.com/kentucky

UK WEBSITE -- UKATHLETICS.COM

For notes, player bios, rosters and stats, visit the official University of Kentucky Athletics website at UKAthletics.com/football. The official Southeastern Conference website is secsports.com.

UK WEEKLY NEWS CONFERENCE

Every Monday head coach Mark Stoops will host a news conference at noon ET from the media room at Kroger Field. The news conference is streamed live on UKAthletics.com. UK game notes will be released at approximately 11:35 a.m. ET on Monday. A transcript of the news conference will be emailed on Monday afternoons.

SEC HEAD COACHES' TELECONFERENCE

The SEC head coaches' teleconference is on Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. ET. Coach Mark Stoops' time slot is 12:40 p.m. A link/number will be sent via e-mail from SEC Communications Office Weekly and UKCPR will email it as well. Contact Susan Lax with questions.

POST-PRACTICE INTERVIEWS

Interviews will be conducted at the Joe Craft Football Training Center or by telephone at the conclusion of each practice on Tuesdays (offensive coaches and players) and Wednesdays (defensive coaches and players/special teams). Coach Stoops will speak to the media on Thursdays post practice. Contact Susan Lax, Matt May or Cami Moore Williams for assistance.

VIDEOS/PHOTOS

Every Monday press conference, post-practice press conferences and post-game press conference after home Saturday games will be here >> vimeo.com/showcase/kentuckyfootball

For photos this season, go here: bit.ly/3Knpovk PASSCODE: ukmedia2022-23

THE UK HEALTHCARE MARK STOOPS SHOW

The UK HealthCare Mark Stoops Show is Monday from 6-7 p.m. ET and is hosted by The Voice of the Wildcats Tom Leach. Fans will have the opportunity to ask questions of Coach Stoops by tweeting to @UKSportsNetwork or by calling 1-800-606-GAME (4263) or 859-280-2287 (CATS).

The show airs in Lexington on 630 WLAP, online at UKAthletics.com and on UK Sports Network affiliates throughout Kentucky. A live video stream of the show will be available on UKAthletics.com as well as on the Official Kentucky Football Facebook page.





KENTUCKY VS. SOUTH CAROLINA

THE SERIES

- Kentucky trails the meetings with South Carolina, 20-13-1, including, 9-8, in Lexington, in a series that began in 1937.
 - The two teams began their annual matchup in 1992.
 - The Wildcats have won seven of the past 10 meetings but the Gamecocks have won each of the past two.
 - South Carolina defeated Kentucky, 17-14, in Columbia last season.
- It has been a series of streaks for the two teams. South Carolina won 10 straight and 13-of-14 from 2000-13 before Kentucky won 7-of-8 between 2014-21.

Note: The series record does not include vacated UK win from 2021.

THE TIES

- Kentucky offensive line coach Eric Wolford was South Carolina's offensive line coach in 2009 and 2017-20.

KENTUCKY IN THE SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

- The Wildcats have a 188-406-12 (.320) all-time record in Southeastern Conference games.
 - UK head coach Mark Stoops has a 30-55 (.353) all-time record in SEC games.

SEPTEMBER IN THE SOUTH

- Since 2021, Kentucky is 5-0 in Southeastern Conference games played in September.
- Since 2018, Kentucky is 8-4 in SEC games played in September.
 - Since 2018, UK has won all of its SEC games played in September in four of the six seasons (three in 2018, two in 2021, one in 2022, two in 2023).

Note: The wins from 2021 are on-field but have been vacated by the NCAA.

A KENTUCKY WIN WOULD...

- Extend head coach Mark Stoops' all-time school records for overall wins (65), home wins (46) and Southeastern Conference wins (31).
 - Improve his on-field record against South Carolina to 9-3.
- Be its fourth straight on-field win in the Southeastern Conference opener, which UK hasn't accomplished since 1976-79.
 - Be its seventh on-field win in the conference opener in 10 seasons (2015-pres.).

OFFENSIVE NOTES

1K FOR BARION BROWN, DANE KEY & JA'MORI MACLIN

- Barion Brown and Dane Key eclipsed 1,000 career yards receiving - in the same game - as sophomores last season at South Carolina on Nov. 18, 2023.
 - Brown concluded last season with 1,167 career yards receiving after he became the 33rd player in program history to eclipse 1K.
 - Key concluded last season with 1,155 career yards receiving after he became the 34th player in program history to eclipse 1K.
- Ja'Mori Maclin, who played the last two seasons at North Texas (2022-23) after transferring from Missouri (2020-21), led the wide receiver room ahead of the season with 1,389 career yards receiving. In fact, he recorded 1,004 of those yards just last season, logging 57 catches and 11 scores at North Texas in 2023.
 - Fun Fact:** While Maclin committed to Kentucky prior to the hiring of offensive coordinator Bush Hamdan, Hamdan was actually Maclin's wide receivers coach at Missouri in 2020 and 2021.

QUICK FACTS

Location: Lexington, Ky.
 Founded: 1865
 Enrollment: 33,000
 Nickname: Wildcats
 Colors: Blue (PMS 286) and White
 Conference: Southeastern (Eastern Division)
 Stadium: Kroger Field (61,000)
 President: Dr. Eli Capilouto
 Athletics Director: Mitch Barnhart
 Faculty Representative: Joseph L. Fink III

2024 COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Mark Stoops (Iowa, '89)

Overall College Coaching Record:

UK/Career Record (Years): 64-65 (12th yr.)
 On-field Record: 74-65 (.532)
 SEC Record: 30-55 (.353)
 On-field SEC Record: 35-55 (.389)
 Bowl Record: 3-4 (.429)
 On-field Bowl Record: 4-4 (.500)

Assistant Coaches:

Vince Marrow (Toledo, '92)

Assoc. HC/TE/Recruiting Coord., 12th year

Brad White (Wake Forest, '05)

Def. Coord./OLBs, 7th year (6th as DC)

Bush Hamdan (Boise State, '08)

Offensive Coord./QBs, 1st year

Jay Boulware (Texas, '96)

Running Backs/Sp. Teams Coord., 2nd year

Frank Buffano (Arizona, '06)

Safeties, 5th year

Chris Collins (Western Carolina, '10)

Co-Def. Coord./Defensive Backs, 4th year

Anwar Stewart (Kentucky, '17)

Defensive Line, 5th year

Mike Stoops (Iowa, '87)

Inside Linebackers, 3rd year

Daikiel Shorts Jr. (West Virginia, '16)

Wide Receivers, 1st year

Josh Estes-Waugh (Kentucky, '12)

Assistant Coach Tight Ends

Bryan Berezowitz (Kentucky, '19)

Assistant Coach Nickels

Derek Shay (Eastern Illinois, '13)

Senior Offensive Assistant

Run Game Specialist

Mike Preifer Jr. (Wisconsin-Eau Claire, '17)

Assistant Coach Special Teams

Mark Perry (Kentucky, '01)

Director of High School Relations

Senior Offensive Analyst

Graduate Assistants:

Jeremy Bruce - defense (Campbellsville, '18)

Drake Jackson - offense (Kentucky, '20)

Taylor Kolste - off the field - offense

(Whitworth, '20)

Max Steurer - off the field - defense

(Kentucky, '23)

Andrew Verboys - offense (Delaware, '18)

Dae'One Wilkins - defense (Furman, '22)



STAT SUPERLATIVES

Most Games Played (min. 30):

Zion Childress (51), Marques Cox (50), Alex Raynor (50), J.J. Weaver (49), Eli Cox (45), Josaih Hayes (42), D'Eryk Jackson (40), Kristian Story (40), Jamon Dumas-Johnson (39), Tre'Vonn Rybka (37), Chip Trayanum (36), Octavious Oxendine (36), Daveren Rayner (36), Courtland Ford (33), Gerald Mincey (33)

Most Games Started (min. 20):

Marques Cox (48), Eli Cox (36), J.J. Weaver (30), Zion Childress (29), Jager Burton (26), Deone Walker (26), Jamon Dumas-Johnson (25), Dane Key (25), D'Eryk Jackson (24), Jordan Lovett (22)

Consecutive Games Started (min. 12, *unavailable to play due to injury does not count): Eli Cox (27), Jager Burton (26), Jamon Dumas-Johnson (25), Deone Walker (25), D'Eryk Jackson (22), J.J. Weaver (22), Maxwell Hairston (14), Ja'Mori Maclin (13)

Consecutive Games with a Tackle (min. 12): J.J. Weaver (26), Jamon Dumas-Johnson (25), D'Eryk Jackson (23), Zion Childress (17)

Consecutive Games with a Reception (min. 5): Barion Brown (27), Ja'Mori Maclin (13), Dane Key (9)

WHERE ARE THE COACHES?

Sideline

Mark Stoops, Head Coach
Jay Boulware, RBs/Special Teams
Frank Buffano, Safeties
Chris Collins, Co-DC, Defensive Backs
Vince Marrow, Assoc. Head Coach, Tight Ends
Daikiel Shorts, Wide Receivers
Anwar Stewart, Defensive Line
Mike Stoops, Inside Linebackers
Brad White, Defensive Coordinator, OLBs
Eric Wolford, Offensive Line

Press Box

Bush Hamdan, Offensive Coordinator/QBs

KEEP CALM AND BARION

- While Barion Brown is most honored and praised for his success returning kicks, he also led Kentucky with 43 catches for 539 yards and four touchdowns as a sophomore in 2023.
 - He added 12 rushes for 147 yards and one rushing TD last season.
- The Wildcat has caught at least one pass in 27 straight games, which is every game of his college career.
 - **Fun Fact:** Coming off the season opener where he led his team with four catches and a pair of touchdowns receiving in the abbreviated game against Southern Miss on Aug. 31, Brown became the first player in program history to record a touchdown in three straight season openers since Marc Logan in 1984-86.

BIG BLUE WALL

BETTER WITH AGE

- Prior to the start of 2024, Kentucky's offensive linemen combine for 207 career games played and 143 career games started in the FBS.
 - UK's 143 career games started was ranked second in the Southeastern Conference and ninth in the FBS.
- UK's offensive line includes five returners that appeared in at least 12 games in 2023. Those core returners started in 76.9 percent of possible starts - equaling 50 total starts - in 2023.
 - **Eli Cox** and **Marques Cox** started all 13 games, while **Jager Burton** started in all 12 games that he appeared.
 - **Dylan Ray** started in 10 of 13 games played, while **Courtland Ford** started in two of 13 games played.

THE COX BROTHERS

- Eli Cox and Marques Cox - not actually brothers by the way - returned for their sixth and seventh seasons, respectively, in 2024.
 - Going into Week 2 in 2024, between the two of them, they combine for 95 career games played and 84 career games started.
 - **Fun Fact:** Eli Cox has played center for three different quarterbacks at Kentucky, including Will Levis, Devin Leary and now Brock Vandagriff. Levis and Leary are currently in the NFL.

THE QUARTERBACK ROOM

Prior to the start of the season, none of Kentucky's four quarterbacks had started a game in Blue and White, but three of the four players have collegiate experience:

- Gavin Wimsatt played in 25 games at Rutgers over the last three seasons. He started 19 games, including all 13 in 2023. He totaled 2,537 passing yards and 14 touchdowns and also had 628 net rushing yards and 11 TDs.
- Brock Vandagriff played in 13 games at Georgia over the last three seasons (no starts) from 2021-23. He completed 12-of-21 passes for 165 yards and two touchdowns and had 46 net rushing yards during that stretch.
- Beau Allen played five games as a reserve at UK in 2020-21 before transferring to Tarleton State, where he passed for 2,836 yards and 23 touchdowns in 2022.

BROCK O'CLOCK

- Making his first collegiate start, Brock Vandagriff completed 12-of-18 passes for 169 yards and three touchdowns, all of which marked career highs, in a shortened game because of lightening in the area in the season opener against Southern Miss on Aug. 31.
- He added 35 yards rushing in that game, while his 34 yards rushing in the first quarter already eclipsed his career high, which was 27 yards against Kentucky in 2023.
 - Of his four rushes in the first quarter, three were first downs.



RED, WHITE & BLUE

Kentucky was one of three schools in the Southeastern Conference to have as many as 18 touchdowns passing in the red zone last season in 2023.

Red Zone Touchdowns Passing in the SEC in 2023

Rank	Team	Value
1.	LSU	19
	Georgia	19
3.	Kentucky	18

START ME UP

- The Wildcats scored at least 26 points in each of their first four games for the last three straight seasons from 2021 to 2023, marking the first time in school history.
 - The Cats are on track to continue that streak after logging a 31-point shutout in the abbreviated season opener against Southern Miss on Aug. 31.

DEFENSIVE NOTES

WISE WILDCATS

- This season, Kentucky retained nine starters on defense from 2023, including:
 - Defensive linemen:** Octavious Oxendine, Keeshawn Silver and Deone Walker
 - Linebackers:** Alex Afari Jr., J.J. Weaver and D'Eryk Jackson
 - Defensive backs:** Maxwell Hairston, Jordan Lovett and Zion Childress
- Altogether, 16 defenders on the roster have seen significant action for at least two seasons, either at Kentucky or another school in the FBS, including six defensive linemen, five defensive backs and five linebackers.
 - Another nine defenders have seen significant action for one season either at Kentucky or elsewhere.

STOPPING THE RUN

- Kentucky has held nine of its last 15 opponents - 60.0 percent - to less than 100 yards rushing, dating back to the final game of 2022.
 - That includes the five yards rushing Kentucky held Southern Miss to in the abbreviated season opener on Aug. 31. That marked the fewest since 2019, when UT Martin had minus-12 yards rushing.
- The Wildcats concluded last season ranked second in the SEC and 17th in the nation in rushing defense, allowing opponents just 113.1 yards per game in 2023.
 - The Cats held each of their first five opponents of last season to under 100 yards rushing for the first time in program history, based on game-by-game stats available since the 1940s.
 - Going into Week 2 in 2024, the Cats are on track to continue that streak.

TURNOVERS GAINED

- UK concluded last season ranked third in the SEC in turnovers gained, forcing 18 - for an average of 1.4 per game - in 2023.
 - Just one game in - really just two-and-a-half quarters into the season because of the abbreviated season opener against Southern Miss on Aug. 31 - UK already has two turnovers this season. UK is one of six teams in the SEC to have at least two turnovers so far in 2024.

DEFENSIVE TOUCHDOWNS

- UK concluded last season ranked third in the SEC and tied for eighth in the nation in defensive touchdowns with four in 2023.
 - UK was one of three schools in the SEC and one of 14 schools in the nation to record at least four defensive touchdowns in 2023.

100-YARD RUSHERS

Player	2024	Career	'24 Opp.
Chip Trayanum	0*	1	
Gavin Wimsatt	0*	1	

*First season at UK

100-YARD RECEIVERS

Player	2024	Career	'24 Opp.
Barion Brown	0	4	
Ja'Mori Maclin	0*	4	
Dane Key	0	1	

*First season at UK

300-YARD PASSERS

Player	2024	Career	'24 Opp.
Beau Allen	0	5*	

*at Tarleton State

INTERCEPTIONS

Player	2024	Career
Maxwell Hairston	0	5
Jordan Lovett	0	5
D'Eryk Jackson	0	4
J.J. Weaver	0	2
Zion Childress	0	1
Jamon Dumas-Johnson	1*	2
JQ Hardaway	1	1
Kristian Story	0*	1

TRACKING SACK LEADERS

Player	2024	Career
J.J. Weaver	1.0	17.5
Jamon Dumas-Johnson	0.0*	9.5
Deone Walker	0.0	8.5
Octavious Oxendine	0.0	5.5
Daveren Rayner	0.0	5.5
Darrion Henry-Young	0.0	3.5
Tre'vonn Rybka	1.0	3.0
Josaih Hayes	0.0	2.5
Kahlil Saunders	0.0	2.0
Alex Afari Jr.	0.0	2.0
Zion Childress	0.0	2.0
D'Eryk Jackson	0.0	2.0
Tommy Ziesmer	0.0	1.0
Jantzen Dunn	0.0	1.0
JQ Hardaway	0.0	1.0

*First season at UK



TOP 25 POLLS

2024 AP TOP 25 (PRESEASON)

- 1 Georgia (46)
- 2 Ohio State (15)
- 3 Oregon (1)
- 4 Texas
- 5 Alabama
- 6 Ole Miss
- 7 Notre Dame
- 8 Penn State
- 9 Michigan
- 10 Florida State
- 11 Missouri
- 12 Utah
- 13 LSU
- 14 Clemson
- 15 Tennessee
- 16 Oklahoma
- 17 Oklahoma State
- 18 Kansas State
- 19 Miami
- 20 Texas A&M
- 21 Arizona
- 22 Kansas
- 23 Southern Cal
- 24 NC State
- 25 Iowa

UK & OPPONENTS RECEIVING VOTES:
Louisville (111), KENTUCKY (3), Auburn (2)

2024 AFCA COACHES TOP 25 (PRESEASON)

- 1 Georgia (46)
- 2 Ohio State (7)
- 3 Oregon
- 4 Texas (1)
- 5 Alabama
- 6 Ole Miss
- 7 Notre Dame
- 8 Michigan (1)
- 9 Penn State
- 10 Florida State
- 11 Missouri
- 12 LSU
- 13 Utah
- 14 Clemson
- 15 Tennessee
- 16 Oklahoma
- 17 Kansas State
- 18 Oklahoma State
- 19 Miami
- 20 Texas A&M
- 21 Arizona
- 22 NC State
- 23 Southern Cal
- 24 Kansas
- 25 Iowa

UK & OPPONENTS RECEIVING VOTES:
Louisville (95), Auburn (25), KENTUCKY (12),
Florida (11), South Carolina (10)

PICK SIX

UK is tied for second in interceptions returned for touchdowns, among teams in the FBS, since the beginning of 2020, including two each in two different games.

Most Interception Returns for Touchdown Since 2020

Rank	Team	IRT
1.	Ohio State	11
2.	KENTUCKY	10
	Pitt	10
	Iowa	10

UK has had at least one pick six in the last four seasons.

Kentucky's Pick Sixes Since 2020

Year	Player	Opponent	Yards	Date
2023	Maxwell Hairston	at Vanderbilt	29 yards	Sept. 23
	Maxwell Hairston	at Vanderbilt	54 yards	Sept. 23
	D'Eryk Jackson	at Mississippi State	28 yards	Nov. 4
2022	Keidron Smith	at Florida	64 yards	Sept. 10
2021	Quandre Mosely	New Mexico State	38 yards	Nov. 20
	Jalen Geiger	at Vanderbilt	31 yards	Nov. 13
	Tyrell Ajian	UT Chattanooga	95 yards	Sept. 18
2020	Kelvin Joseph	at Tennessee	41 yards	Oct. 17
	Jamin Davis	at Tennessee	85 yards	Oct. 17
	Jordan Wright	Mississippi State	8 yards	Oct. 10

MADDD MAXXX

- Maxwell Hairston made five interceptions, including four against Southeastern Conference opponents, as a sophomore and first-year starter in 2023, running two of those back for touchdowns.
 - He totaled 131 return yards, which marked the most in program history since Greg Long had 176 return yards in 1981.
 - He led the SEC in interceptions (5), interception return average (26.2 yards per return), interception return yards (131) and interception return TDs (2) in 2023.
- His two interceptions returned for touchdowns came in the same game, the conference opener at Vanderbilt on Sept. 24, 2024.
 - He tied the SEC record for interception touchdowns in a game, becoming just the sixth player in league history - and the first at UK - to have two pick-sixes in one game.
- The Wildcat also recorded the third-most total tackles of anyone on the team in 2023 (68).

DEONE WALKER ANCHORING THE LINE

- Named to nearly every preseason watch list he was eligible for, Deone Walker, a 6-foot-6, 348-pound defensive lineman, is primed to have a big junior season in 2024.
 - Despite battling frequent double teams, he led the Blue and White in tackles for loss (12.5), quarterback sacks (7.5) and quarterback hurries (8). He also added two pass breakups, including one in Kentucky's win over Florida on Sept. 30, which was intercepted by UK and returned to the UF 15-yard line that led to an eventual touchdown.
- The Wildcat was named one of seven permanent team captains last season, as he went on to play in and start all 13 games. In fact, he improved his streak to 24 straight starts, a stretch dating back to his freshman season in 2022.
- Walker set or tied single-game career highs in every category last season, including recording nine tackles at South Carolina, 4.0 tackles for loss (-7 yards) at Missouri, 1.0 sacks (-6 yards) last at South Carolina, one pass breakup last at Georgia and two quarterback hurries against ECU.





ACTION JACKSON

- Inside linebacker D'Eryk Jackson has led the Wildcats in tackles in each of the last two seasons.
 - He tallied 89 stops a year ago, earning All-SEC First Team honors from Pro Football Focus and All-SEC Third Team honors from Phil Steele.
 - He also led the Cats with 67 tackles in 2022.
- Jackson also has been active in pass defense, totaling four interceptions (one for touchdown) and seven pass breakups during his career.
 - He got this season off to a good start on pass defense, deflecting a Southern Miss pass that was intercepted by JQ Hardaway in the season opener on Aug. 31.

BRAD'S BENCHMARKS

- Brad White is in his sixth season as the defensive coordinator, and his seventh season overall at Kentucky, since Mark Stoops plucked him from the NFL in 2018. He became defensive coordinator in 2019, and UK has steadily become more stout on that side of the ball.
 - Other programs have taken notice, too, as White has turned down several other coaching opportunities in that time.
- Kentucky's defense has remained constant under White, and that is evident by the benchmarks he continues to reach year-in and year-out.
 - The UK defense has held opponents to 30 points or fewer in 51-of-64 games - 79.6 percent - with White as the defensive coordinator (2019-present).
 - The UK defense has held opponents to 24 points or fewer in 23 of the last 31 games (November 2021-present).
 - Kentucky has allowed just 28 points or fewer in its first five games of the season, for three straight seasons (2021-23), for the first time since 1960-62.
 - Kentucky has allowed 17 points or less in its first three games of the season, for two straight seasons (2022-23), for the first time since 1949-50.
 - UK has allowed 26 points or fewer per game in six straight seasons (2018-23) for the first time since 1983-89.
 - UK has yielded fewer than 160 rushing yards per game for six straight seasons (2018-23) for the first time since 1946-53.

J.J. WEAVER ON THE ALLSTATE AFCA GOOD WORKS TEAM AND WUERFFEL TROPHY WATCH LIST

- J.J. Weaver, outside linebacker, has been named a nominee for the Allstate Wuerffel Trophy and the AllState Good Works Team.
- Weaver, who was born with polydactyly, a condition in which a person has more than five fingers or toes on one, or on each, hand or foot, has had to face many obstacles in his lifetime. With six fingers on his right hand, he was bullied and ridiculed in grade school for being different. But that obstacle was nothing compared to what he was about to face during his collegiate years.
 - From July 2020 to August 2021, Weaver lost his father to homicide, sustained a season-ending knee injury and then lost his beloved high school football coach to cancer.
- Inspired by the help he received, Weaver has become an outspoken advocate for mental health and counseling. In the fall of 2023, with help from the Kentucky Center for Grieving Children and Families, he launched an eight-week peer-led grief counseling group on UK's campus, the first of its kind at UK called "The Perfect Fit Support Group."
 - With Weaver's help, "The Perfect Fit Support Group" received a \$40,000 grant by Women in Philanthropy and now will be available to all students on UK's campus beginning in the fall of 2024.
- In Spring 2024, Weaver attended the "Supporting Children and Teens Through Loss" event at the Kentucky Center for Grieving Children and Families, where he spoke to the group about going through grief and participated in a drum circle with the children.
 - In June, he attended the 2024 Annual Symposium on Children's Grief in Denver, Colorado, hosted by the National Alliance for Children's Grief. He shared his story and the work he's doing on UK's campus.

ON THE WATCH LISTS

WR, RS, AP - Barion Brown

- Jet Award Watch List
- Hornung Award Preseason Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

OL - Jager Burton

- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

OL - Eli Cox

- Outland Trophy Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

OL - Marques Cox

- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

ILB - Jamon Dumas-Johnson

- Butkus Award Watch List
- Comeback Player of the Year Award Watch List

DB - Maxwell Hairston

- Jim Thorpe Award Watch List
- Bronko Nagurski Trophy Watch List
- Chuck Bednarik Award Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

ILB - D'Eryk Jackson

- Butkus Award Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

P - Aidan Laros

- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

WR - Ja'Mori Maclin

- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

OL - Gerald Mincey

- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

RB - Chip Trayanum

- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

QB - Brock Vandagriff

- Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award Watch List

DL - Deone Walker

- Lott IMPACT Trophy Watch List
- Bronko Nagurski Trophy Watch List
- Outland Trophy Watch List
- Chuck Bednarik Watch List
- The Lombardi Award Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

OLB - J.J. Weaver

- Allstate AFCA Good Works Team Watch List
- Allstate Wuerffel Trophy Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List



2024 CAT SCRATCHES

DB • ALEX AFARI JR.

- Born in Pordenone, Italy
- Mother, Mary Acheampong, originated from Ghana and moved to the U.S. in 2008
- Speaks fluent Twi (a dialect of the Akan language spoken in southern and central Ghana)
- Brother, David, is Lakota West HS's second all-time leading rusher who played two seasons at Miami (Ohio) before transferring to Northern Colorado in 2022

TE • KHAMARI ANDERSON

- Older brother, Raheem Anderson II, currently is a junior offensive lineman at Michigan

P • WILSON BERRY

- Played three years of Australian rules football for Essendon's team in the Victorian Football League
- While playing footy, held down a part-time job at Grill'd, a restaurant known for preparing healthy hamburgers ... Started as a waiter before being promoted into the kitchen as a cook and then as an assistant manager
- Currently 26 years old, oldest player on the team
- Married to the former Courtney Stewart of Paducah, Kentucky ... The couple has one son, Leo
- UK's third straight Australian punter, following in the footsteps of Matt Panton (2017) and Max Duffy (2018-20)
- Older brother, Jordan, played football at Eastern Kentucky and recently was the punter for the Minnesota Vikings and the Pittsburgh Steelers ... Younger brother, Oscar, currently plays basketball at the University of North Florida

QB • CUTTER BOLEY

- Dad, Scott, played basketball at Western Kentucky (1989-92)
- Brother, Jaxon, was a tight end at Wyoming (2018)
- Sister, Erin, was the 2016 Gatorade National Player of the Year out of Elizabethtown HS and went on to play at Notre Dame and Oregon

WR • ANTHONY BROWN-STEPHENS

- Brother, Michael Brown-Stephens, is now a wide receiver at USF
- Nephew of Grammy Award winner John Legend

OL • JAGER BURTON

- Dad, Jeff, played football at Morehead State

DB • TY BRYANT

- Father, Cisco, played at Kentucky for Coach Jerry Claiborne from 1983-85 ... Cisco was a big-play performer at wide receiver, with 29 career catches for 482 yards (16.6 yards per catch) and six touchdowns

DB • JANTZEN DUNN

- Dad, Mitchell, played basketball at Miami from 1994-95

OLB • GRANT GODFREY

- Dad, Randall, was a linebacker at Georgia who was named SEC Freshman of the Year in 1992 and earned All-SEC honors in 1993 and 1994
- Randall played 12 seasons in the NFL (1996-2007) with the Cowboys, Titans, Seahawks, Chargers and Redskins
- Brother, RJ, is currently a forward on the Clemson men's basketball team

- He's also done many other community service events, including hosting free football camps and two bike drives, providing more than 200 bicycles to children in Lexington and his hometown of Louisville.
- Because of his resilience and work in the community, Weaver recently earned the Kentucky Pro Football Hall of Fame's 2024 Ron Butler Character in Adversity Award.

WEAVER ON THE CAREER LISTS

- J.J. Weaver has been a big-play performer during his career in Lexington. Notching a quarterback sack in the season opener against Southern Miss on Aug. 31, he now has 17.5 career sacks and needs one-half sack to reach the top five in school history, - which also ranks seventh in the nation on the active career list.
- He also has 33 tackles for loss and needs four more to reach the top three in school history, which also ranks eighth in the nation on the active career list.

SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES

RAYNOR'S RETURN

- Prior to 2023, Kentucky brought in a senior transfer from Georgia Southern to help bring consistency to the program's kicking game in Alex Raynor.
 - He shined in his Kentucky debut against Ball State on Sept. 2, 2023, connecting on all three of his field goal attempts, all of which were more than 40 yards, and on all five of his extra point attempts. Raynor became the first Kentucky player with three made field goals in their UK debut since Taylor Begley against Louisville on Sept. 1, 2002.
 - The Wildcat's first field goal against No. 21/20 Tennessee on Oct. 28, 2023, a 28-yard field goal, made him 7-of-7 on the season at the time. With that, he broke the school record for most consecutive field goals made at the beginning of a career. The previous record of six was held by Joe Mansour (2013) and Miles Butler (all four in 2015, first two of 2018).
 - He concluded the season 10-of-11 on field goals and 48-of-49 on extra points.
 - **Fun Fact:** Last season, he went 9-of-9 on field goals between 0 and 49 yards, including 4-of-4 on field goals between 40 and 49 yards.
- Going into Week 2 in 2024, Raynor is 11-of-12 at field goals and 52-of-53 at extra points in his career at Kentucky.
 - He remains perfect - 10-of-10 - on kicks from 0 to 49 yards at Kentucky.
 - He holds a current field-goal streak of four straight.
- For his career, Raynor currently...
 - Ranks second on the NCAA's active career scoring list with 329 points
 - Ranks second on the NCAA's active career PATs list with 161
 - Ranks tied for fifth on the NCAA's active career field goals list with 56
 - Ranks 18th on the NCAA's active points per game list with 6.6
 - Ranks 18th on the NCAA's active career PATs percentage list (0.976 - 156-of-160)



MILESTONES REACHED IN 2024

- **Coach Mark Stoops** has the most on-field victories (74) in Kentucky history, most SEC victories (35), most home victories (51) and most victories against ranked opponents (13).
- Sophomore **WR Dane Key** has gone over 1,000 career receiving yards. He now has 1,215.
 - He has 82 career receptions, needing just 18 to reach 100.
- Sophomore **WR Barion Brown** has gone over 1,000 career receiving yards. He now has 1,195.
 - He has the most kickoff return TD by an active FBS player with four.
 - He currently owns the school record for kickoff return average (min. 30 returns) at 31.8 yards per return.
 - He owns a streak of 27 straight games with a reception, which is every game of his college career.
 - He has 97 career receptions, needing just three to reach 100.
- Junior transfer **WR Ja'Mori Maclin** has 1,455 receiving yards in his career. He needs 545 to reach 2,000 for his collegiate career.
- Senior **LB D'Eryk Jackson** has 181 career tackles and led the Cats in both 2022 and 2023. He needs 19 to reach 200.
- Senior **LB J.J. Weaver** has 17.5 career sacks and needs one to reach the top five in school history. He has 33.0 TFL and needs four to reach the top three in school history.

KICKOFF RETURN KING

- In just two seasons, junior Barion Brown has recorded four kickoff returns for touchdowns, including three as a sophomore in 2023.
 - Of those four kickoff returns for touchdowns, three were of 100 yards.
- As a sophomore in 2023, the return specialist concluded the season as the nation's leader in two categories:
 - KOR average (36.0)
 - KOR for touchdowns (3)
- Brown also holds four school records for his kickoff return averages and touchdowns.

Kickoff Return Average (Career)

1. 31.75 Barion Brown 2022-pres.

Kickoff Return Average (Season)

1. 36.0 Barion Brown 2023

Kickoff Return Touchdowns (Career)

1. 4 Barion Brown 2022-pres. *(also ties SEC record career kickoff return TDs)*

Kickoff Return Touchdowns (Season)

1. 3 Barion Brown 2023 *(also tied SEC season record for KO return TDs)*

2024 CAT SCRATCHES

LS • WALKER HIMEBAUCH

- Father, Jonathan Himebauch, was a center at USC from 1993-98, before a professional career that included stints at the Arizona Cardinals and the Kansas City Chiefs
- Jonathan currently serves as the offensive line coach and special teams coordinator for the Arlington Renegades of the XFL under head coach Bob Stoops
- Grandfather, Jack Himebauch, was a wide receiver and tight end at Miami (Ohio) from 1962-64
- Uncle, Curt Himebauch, was a defensive back at USC from 1989-91

TE • JOSH KATTUS

- Dad, Eric Kattus, was a tight end at Michigan from 1982-85 and went on to a seven-year career in the NFL, playing six years with the Cincinnati Bengals and one with the New York Jets
- Brother, Justin, is a freshman TE for the Cats

OL • KOBY KEENUM

- Father, Carl, was a long snapper at North Alabama

WR • DANE KEY

- Father, Donte Key, was a UK linebacker/defensive end from 1992-95
- Brother, Devon Key, played for the Kansas City Chiefs and is currently with the Broncos

DB • JORDAN LOVETT

- Mom, Tameka, is a Sergeant Major in the U.S. Army

OLB • NOAH MATTHEWS

- Mom, Christel, threw the discus at Delaware State from 1992-96

OL • KYLE MIXON

- Earned an Eagle Scout in 2023, the highest achievement or rank attainable in the Boy Scouting program of the Boy Scouts of America

RB • TOVANI MIZELL

- Dad, Travis, was a cornerback at UAB from 1992-95
- Mom, Cindra, played for the Miami Fury in the Women's Football Alliance in 2001-02
- Cousin, Jordan Fuller, currently plays for the Carolina Panthers
- Cousin, Devin Fuller, was a wide receiver with the Atlanta Falcons
- Cousin Coco Gauff, is an American professional tennis player
- Cousin, Keyon Dooling, played 13 seasons in the NBA

DT • OCTAVIOUS OXENDINE

- Dad, Kirk, is a retired U.S. Army Sergeant First Class

OL • DYLAN RAY

- Father, John, played offensive line at WVU from 1988-91 and went on to play professionally with the Indianapolis Colts

K • ALEX RAYNOR

- Dad, Christian, played golf at Florida State (1990-94) and was inducted into the FSU Hall of Fame in 2012

DB • QUAY'SHEED SCOTT

- Cousin, Cam Smith, currently is a cornerback for the Miami Dolphins
- Cousin, Xavier Legette, is currently a wide receiver for the Carolina Panthers



2024 CAT SCRATCHES

- Cousin, T.J. Sanders, currently plays defensive tackle at South Carolina

DL JEROD AND OLB JACOB SMITH

- Dad, Jerod, is currently a master sergeant in the United States Marine Corps

DB • KRISTIAN STORY

- Mom, Kristina, played basketball at Faulkner and Auburn University at Montgomery from 1992-96
- Dad, Clifford, played football and baseball at Jacksonville State from 1992-96
- Brother Tre, played football at Richmond from 2017-19 and Tuskegee from 2019-21
- Brother, Caden, currently is a defensive tackle at Clemson
- Uncle, Marcus Pollard, spent 14 years in the NFL and is currently the director of player engagement and youth football for the Jacksonville Jaguars

RB • DEMI SUMO-KARNGBAYE

- Cousin, Phillip Blidi, is currently on the defensive line at Auburn and formerly Indiana
- Cousin, Jeremie Karngbaye, played at West Texas

QB • BROCK VANDAGRIFF

- Dad, Greg, played football at Tennessee Wesleyan
- Mom, Kelly, played basketball at Southern Union
- Sister, Anna, is currently on the volleyball team at Eastern Kentucky University

WR • BRANDON WHITE

- Timed as fast as 4.28 seconds in the 40-yard dash
- Mother, Jeanita, played basketball at Mississippi State
- Dad, Ben, was a running back at Mississippi State

OLB • J.J. WEAVER

- Has six functioning fingers on his right hand
- Got custom gloves by Nike made to fit his hand
- Played high school football in Louisville but grew up in Broward County, Florida

OL • MALACHI WOOD

- Grandfather, Michael Wood, was an offensive guard at the University of Cincinnati (1979-81)

#LAFAMILIA

Kentucky football has several set of sons or grandsons of former Kentucky Wildcats:

- Sophomore DB Ty Bryant is the son of former Wildcat Cisco Bryant (1983-85)
- Senior walk-on WR Trey Dennis is the son of former Wildcat Harold Dennis (1994-96)
- Junior WR Dane Key is the son of former LB/DE Donte' Key, who played at UK from 1992-95 and was the National Defensive Player of the Week for his performance in the 1994 inaugural Governor's Cup game vs. Louisville
- Junior walk-on OL Lucas Padgett is the son of Scott Padgett, who played basketball at Kentucky (1995-99), helping the Wildcats advance to two Final Fours, including national titles in 1996 and '98 ... Went on to play eight years in the pros ... Mom, Cynthia (Dozier), was a four-year letterwinner on UK's volleyball team (1994-97)

GENERAL NOTES

HOME SWEET HOME

- In 2024, Kentucky is in its 52nd season playing at Kroger Field, which was formerly named Commonwealth Stadium (1973-2016).
 - The Cats are 181-144-4 (.556) all-time in the stadium, including 45-28 (.616) under Mark Stoops.

NONCONFERENCE COMPETITION

- The Wildcats have won their last 17 straight nonconference games in the **regular season**.
 - That streak is second in the nation behind Georgia (25).
- UK has won 15 straight nonconference games at Kroger Field, dating back to the start of 2018.
- Kentucky has won 20 of its last 22 nonconference games.
 - That stretch featured 16 straight nonconference wins, which was the longest active streak in FBS at the time, including four straight bowl wins. The streak began in the season opener on Sept. 1, 2018 and ended in the Music City Bowl game on Dec. 31, 2022.

PORTAL PICKUPS

Mark Stoops took advantage of the NCAA Transfer Portal to fulfill needs in key positions in 2024, welcoming 15 new Wildcats to the program.

Name	Pos.	Yr.	Previous School
Beau Allen	QB	Sr.	Georgia Southern/Tarleton State
Anfernee Crease	OL	So.	Navarro College
Jamon Dumas-Johnson	ILB	Sr.	Georgia
Jalen Farmer	OL	So.	Florida
Fred Farrier II	WR	Jr.	UAB
Dennious Jackson	DL	Jr.	Contra Costa College
Aidan Laros	P	Jr.	UT Martin/Charlotte
Ja'Mori Maclin	WR	Jr.	North Texas/Missouri
Alex McLaughlin	LS	Jr.	Illinois/N.C. State
Gerald Mincey	OL	Sr.	Tennessee/Florida
Kristian Story	DB	Sr.	Alabama
DeaMonte "Chip" Trayanum	RB	Sr.	Ohio State/Arizona State
Brock Vandagriff	QB	Jr.	Georgia
DJ Waller Jr.	DB	So.	Michigan
Gavin Wimsatt	QB	Jr.	Rutgers

VINCE MARROW'S RECRUITING RECORD

- In June, Carl Reed Jr. of 247Sports' named Vince Marrow - Kentucky's associate head coach, tight ends coach, recruiting coordinator and NFL liaison - one of the three top recruiters in college football, alongside Brian Hartline of Ohio State and Levar Woods of Iowa.

KROGER FIELD'S IMPROVED LIGHTING, RIBBON BOARDS

- In 2024, Kroger Field features brand new lighting and ribbon boards.
 - The LED lighting system includes the ability to do light shows during timeouts and breaks in play similar to those at games in Rupp Arena and Kentucky Proud Park.
 - The new ribbon boards have greater functionality, featuring sharper visual resolution than the previous set and expanded capability for display of video and graphics.



SMARTY CATS

In 2024, there are 14 players on the Kentucky roster who have earned at least one degree.

1. Beau Allen – Interdisciplinary Studies (*Georgia Southern*)
2. Wilson Berry – Kinesiology
3. Jase Bruner – Business and Economics
4. Zion Childress – Communications
5. Eli Cox – Integrated Strategic Communication with a Minor in Business
6. Marques Cox – Certificate in Business and Economics (*Kentucky*); Marketing (*Northern Illinois*)
7. Jordan Dingle – Clinical Leadership and Management
8. D'Eryk Jackson – Communication and Information
9. Ja'Mori Maclin – Integrated Studies (*North Texas*)
10. Alex Raynor – Business Administration (*Georgia Southern*)
11. Kristian Story – Sport Management (*Alabama*)
12. Chip Trayanum – Consumer and Family Financial Services (*Ohio State*)
13. Brock Vandergriff – Communication Studies (*Georgia*)
14. J.J. Weaver – Agriculture, Food & Environment

BY THE "BIG BLUE" NUMBERS

Most Career Wins By A Head Coach, School History

1. **64 Mark Stoops (2013-Present)**
2. 60 Paul "Bear" Bryant (1946-53)
3. 47 Fran Curci (1973-81)
4. 41 Jerry Claiborne (1982-89)
- 41 Blanton Collier (1954-61)

Most Career SEC Wins By A Head Coach, School History

1. **30 Mark Stoops (2013-Present)**
2. 25 Fran Curci (1973-1981)
3. 22 Paul "Bear" Bryant (1946-53)

Most Career Home Wins By A Head Coach, School History

1. **45 Mark Stoops (2013-present)**
2. 33 Paul Bryant (1946-53)
3. 32 Jerry Claiborne (1982-89)

Most Career Wins vs. A Ranked Opponent, School History

1. **11 Mark Stoops (2013-Pres.)**
2. 9 Paul Bryant (1946-53)
- 9 Fran Curci (1973-81)

LONG-TERM STABILITY

Mark Stoops is the longest-tenured active head coach in the Southeastern Conference and the sixth longest-tenured active head coach in FBS. Now in his 12th season at Kentucky, Stoops is one of only 19 head coaches who have coached at least 12 seasons at an SEC school since the league's first season in 1933.

Longest Tenured Active Head Coaches (FBS)

Rank	Head Coach	School	Hired
1.	Kirk Ferentz	Iowa	Dec. 2, 1998
2.	Kyle Whittingham	Utah	Dec. 9, 2004
3.	Mike Gundy	Okl. State	Jan. 3, 2005
4.	Troy Calhoun	Air Force	Dec. 22, 2006
5.	Dabo Swinney	Clemson	Oct. 13, 2008
6.	MARK STOOPS	KENTUCKY	NOV. 27, 2012
7.	Dave Doeren	NC State	Dec. 1, 2012

CATS IN THE PROS

A total of 18 former Kentucky Wildcats are currently on National Football League 53-man rosters with four additional players with other NFL roles or in the CFL. The list of those players is as follows (*as of Aug. 28, 2024*):

Buffalo Bills
Ray Davis, RB (2023)
Mike Edwards, S (2015-2018)

Carolina Panthers
Trevin Wallace, LB (2021-23)

Cleveland Browns
Za'Darius Smith, OLB (2013-14)

Denver Broncos
Keidron Smith, DB (2022)

Detroit Lions
Josh Paschal, DE (2017-21)

Green Bay Packers
Carrington Valentine, DB (2020-22)

Jacksonville Jaguars
Josh Hines-Allen, DE/LB (2015-18)
Luke Fortner, C (2017-21)

LA Chargers
Bud Dupree, OLB (2011-14)

New Orleans Saints
Landon Young, OT (2016-17, 19-20)

New York Giants
Dru Phillips, DB (2020-23)
Wan'Dale Robinson, WR (2021)

New York Jets
Brenden Bates, TE (2018-23)
Brandin Echols, CB (2019-20)

Philadelphia Eagles
Darian Kinnard, OT (2018-21)

Tennessee Titans
Will Levis, QB (2001-22)

Washington Commanders
Jamin Davis, ILB (2018-20)

OTHER CATS IN NFL ROLES
Asst. General Manager, Las Vegas Raiders
Champ Kelly, WR/DB (1998-2001)

Director of Player Engagement, San Francisco 49ers
Austin Moss, DE (2006-09)

College Scout, Jacksonville Jaguars
Corey Peters, DL (2006-09)

CATS IN THE CFL
Defensive Line, Saskatchewan Roughriders
Micah Johnson, LB (2006-09)





BY THE NUMBERS

Table with 3 columns: Category, 2024, Stoops. Rows include Record on field, SEC, West, East, Non-Conference, Home, Road, Neutral site, Night, Day, TV Games, ABC, CBS, ESPN, ESPN2, ESPNNews, SEC Network, Fox Sports South, CBS Sports Network, August/September, October, November, December/January, Bowl Games, Coming off an open date, UK scores on 1st possession, Opp scores on 1st possession, UK scores first, Opponent scores first, UK leads after 1st quarter, Opponent leads after 1stQ, Teams are tied after 1stQ, UK leads at halftime, Opponent leads at halftime, Teams are tied at halftime, UK leads after 3rd quarter, Opponent leads after 3rdQ, Teams are tied after 3rdQ, Game goes to overtime, Scoring less than 20 pts, Scoring 20+ points, Scoring 30+ points, Allowing less than 20 pts, Allowing 20+ points, Allowing 30+ points, UK has more total yards, Opp. has more total yds, UK has more rushing yards, Opp. has more rushing yards, UK has more passing yards, Opp. has more passing yards, Rushing for less than 100 yds, Rushing for over 100 yards, Rushing for 200+ yards, Passing for 200+ yards, Passing for 300+ yards, UK has 100-yard rusher, Opp. has 100-yard rusher, No turnovers, One or two turnovers, 3 or more turnovers, No takeaways, 3 or more takeaways, UK has more penalties, Opp. has more penalties, Teams have equal penalties, UK has more TOP, Opp. has more TOP, UK defense scores, Opponent defense scores, UK returns KO/Punt for TD, Opp. returns KO/Punt for TD, Playing on natural grass, Playing on artificial surface, In blue uniforms, In white uniforms, In white jerseys/blue pants, In blue jerseys/white pants, In black uniforms, In blue jerseys/grey pants, In grey uniforms, In grey jerseys/blue pants.

He is tied for the 13th most wins by an active head coach (all at the same school) in FBS.

Most Wins by an Active Head Coaches (FBS) - All at The Same School

Table with 5 columns: Rank, Wins, Head Coach, School, Current Season. Rows 1-14, with row 13 highlighted for Mark Stoops (64 wins, Kentucky, 12th season).

YOUNGSTOWN BOYS

- A neighbor of Pittsburgh, a.k.a. Steel City USA, Youngstown, Ohio, has a reputation as a blue collar community defined by hard work and relationships forged over generations that are stronger than steel. Kentucky's football program is, in many ways, defined by that bond as it creates a southern alumni club from Youngstown, the hometown of head coach Mark Stoops and his brother Mike Stoops and several other key members of the program. Below is a list of staffers and players from Youngstown:
- Mark Stoops – Head Coach (Cardinal Mooney High School)
- Mike Stoops – Inside Linebackers Coach (Cardinal Mooney)
- Vince Marrow – Associate Head Coach/Recruiting Coord./Tight Ends (Cardinal Mooney)
- Eric Wolford – Offensive Line (Ursuline High School)
 - Was the Youngstown State University football head coach from 2010-14
- Frank Buffano – Safeties (Cardinal Mooney)
- Tino Merlo – Sophomore, offensive lineman (Cardinal Mooney)
- DJ Waller Jr. – Sophomore, defensive back (Chaney)
- Brian Robinson – Freshman, defensive lineman (Westerville North)

COACHING CHANGES

- Bush Hamdan was named Kentucky's new offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach prior to 2024. Hamdan replaced Liam Coen, who was named the offensive coordinator for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Hamdan, 38, came to the Bluegrass with 15 years of collegiate and NFL coaching experience combined, most recently serving as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at his alma mater, Boise State.
- Daikiel Shorts Jr. was hired as the wide receivers coach. Shorts, 29, came to the Bluegrass after three seasons (2021-23) as the wide receivers coach under Dana Holgorsen at Houston. He also spent two years as the Director of Player Development (2019-20) for the Cougars.
- Eric Wolford returned to Lexington as the offensive line coach in 2024. Wolford, who was Kentucky's offensive line coach in 2021, spent the last two seasons in the same position at Alabama. He has over 25 years of coaching experience, including two in the NFL.

WILDCATS IN THE NFL DRAFT

- Four players were drafted in 2024, giving head coach Mark Stoops a total of 28 drafted players since his arrival in 2013.
- Twenty-four of those 28 selections have come in the last six drafts (2019-24).
- Sixteen of those 28 selections were defensive players.
- The 2024 NFL Draft marked the sixth straight year UK had at least one player drafted in the first three rounds.





HARDLEY ANYONE YOUNGER

Hardley Gilmore IV, a freshman wide receiver, was born on December 5, 2006, making him just 17 years old and the third-youngest player in the FBS in 2024.

Youngest Players in FBS in 2024

Birthday	Player	School
2/9/2007	Ryan Williams	Alabama
2/6/2007	Darius Washington	Houston
12/5/2006	Hardley Gilmore IV	Kentucky

BAND OF BROTHERS

Kentucky has three sets of brothers on its roster in Justin and Josh Kattus, Daniel and Gerald Mincey and twins, Jerod and Jacob Smith. Here's how that stacks up nationally:

Programs with Sets of Brothers in 2024

- 6 Colorado, Utah State
- 5 BYU
- 4 Kennesaw State, Miami (Fla.), Nebraska, Oklahoma State
- 3 Colorado State, Georgia, Iowa State, **Kentucky**, Louisiana, Southern California, Tennessee
- 2 Appalachian State, Baylor, Clemson, Eastern Michigan, Fresno State, Hawai'i, Maryland, Minnesota, Mississippi State, Nevada, Oregon, South Carolina, Temple, UNLV, UTSA

DID YOU KNOW?

- A University of Kentucky-record 11 Wildcats won 13 medals at the 2024 Paris Olympic Games – nine gold, two silver and two bronze.
- A picture of longevity, UK Equipment Manager Tom Kalinowski enters his 47th season in that role in 2024. He also was a student manager in 1974-77, now marking his 51st year working with UK football in 2024.
 - He has worked more than 500 consecutive games. In honor of his 50th season in 2023, Kalinowski was named an honorary captain for the home finale against Alabama.
- UK is one of only 11 schools that have won an NCAA men's basketball championship, while also having a claim on a national championship in football.
- UK is one of only eight universities in the United States with the full complement of liberal arts, engineering, professional, agricultural and medical colleges and disciplines on one contiguous campus.
- The Kentucky cheerleaders have won an unprecedented 24 national cheerleading championships at the annual Universal Cheerleaders Association championships.

TEAM CAPTAINS

This season's permanent captains are offensive lineman Eli Cox and defensive lineman Deone Walker. This season's rotating captains are wide receivers Barion Brown and Dane Key, offensive lineman Marques Cox, quarterback Brock Vandagriff, defensive backs Zion Childress and Maxwell Hairston and linebackers D'Eryk Jackson and J.J. Weaver. The game captains will be decided on a week-by-week basis:

- **Fun Fact:** J.J. Weaver joins DE Joshua Paschal (2017-21) and LB DeAndre Square (2018-22) as the only three-time team captains in school history.

2024 Game-by-Game Captains

vs. Southern Miss - Zion Childress, Eli Cox, Dane Key, Deone Walker
 vs. South Carolina
 vs. Georgia
 vs. Ohio
 at Ole Miss
 vs. Vanderbilt
 at Florida
 vs. Auburn
 at Tennessee
 vs. Murray State
 at Texas
 vs. Louisville

HONORING THE CATS (2024)

WR, RS - Barion Brown

- Jet Award Watch List
- Hornung Award Preseason Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List
- Preseason All-America, First Team (Sporting News)
- Preseason All-America, Second Team (Athlon, Phil Steele, USA Today)
- Preseason All-SEC, First Team, RS (Media)
- Preseason All-SEC, First Team, ST (Athlon, Phil Steele)
- Preseason All-SEC, Third Team, AP (Media)

OL - Jager Burton

- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

OL - Eli Cox

- Outland Trophy Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List
- Preseason All-SEC, Third Team (Phil Steele)
- Preseason All-SEC, Fourth Team (Athlon)

OL - Marques Cox

- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List
- Preseason All-SEC, Third Team (Athlon, Media)
- Preseason All-SEC, Fourth Team (Phil Steele)

ILB - Jamon Dumas-Johnson

- Butkus Award Watch List
- Comeback Player of the Year Award Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List
- Preseason All-SEC, Second Team (Athlon, Phil Steele)
- Preseason All-SEC, Third Team (Media)

DB - Maxwell Hairston

- Jim Thorpe Award Watch List
- Bronko Nagurski Trophy Watch List
- Chuck Bednarik Award Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List
- Preseason All-America, Fourth Team (Athlon)
- Preseason All-SEC, First Team (Athlon, Media, Phil Steele)

ILB - D'Eryk Jackson

- Butkus Award Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List
- Preseason All-SEC, Third Team (Athlon, Phil Steele)

WR - Dane Key

- Preseason All-SEC, Second Team (Athlon, Phil Steele)

P - Aidan Laros

- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

WR - Ja'Mori Maclin

- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

OL - Gerald Mincey

- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

RB - Chip Trayanum

- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

QB - Brock Vandagriff

- Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award Watch List



HONORING THE CATS

DL - Deone Walker

- Preseason All-America, First Team (ESPN, Sporting News)
- Preseason All-America, Second Team (AP, Athlon, Phil Steele, USA Today, Walter Camp)
- Preseason All-SEC, First Team (Athlon, Media, Phil Steele)
- Lott IMPACT Trophy Watch List
- Bronko Nagurski Trophy Watch List
- Outland Trophy Watch List
- Chuck Bednarik Watch List
- The Lombardi Award Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

OLB - J.J. Weaver

- Allstate AFCA Good Works Team Watch List
- Allstate Wuerffel Trophy Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List
- Preseason All-SEC, Third Team (Athlon)
- Preseason All-SEC, Fourth Team (Phil Steele)

SHRINE BOWL 1000

Fourteen Kentucky football players have been identified by the East-West Shrine Bowl as those among the Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List. The list is created by the Shrine Bowl committee in conjunction with collegiate programs, NFL franchises and the game's scouting department. The following Wildcats made the 2024 list:

- Jager Burton, OL
- Eli Cox, OL
- Marques Cox, OL
- Jordan Dingle, TE
- Jamon Dumas-Johnson, LB
- Maxwell Hairston, DB
- D'Eryk Jackson, LB
- Aidan Laros, P
- Jordan Lovett, DB
- Ja'Mori Maclin, WR
- Gerald Mincey, OL
- Chip Trayanum, RB
- Brock Vandagriff, QB
- J.J. Weaver, LB



WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME KENTUCKY ...

Scored 40 points: 45 at Vanderbilt, Sept. 23, 2023
 Scored 50 points: 52 at Louisville, Nov. 27, 2021
 Scored 60 points: 62 vs. New Mexico State, Sept. 17, 2016
 Scored 70 points: 77 vs. Texas El-Paso, Sept. 7, 2002
 Scored 80 points: 83 vs. North Dakota, Nov. 18, 1950
Shut Out an Opponent: vs. Southern Miss (31-0), Aug. 31, 2024
Shut Out an Opponent in the 1st half: vs. Southern Miss (31-0), Aug. 31, 2024
 Shut Out an SEC Opponent in the 1st half in consecutive games: at Georgia, Oct. 19, and vs. Missouri, Oct. 26, 2019
Did Not Allow an Offensive Point: vs. Southern Miss (31-0), Aug. 31, 2024
 Game is scoreless at the half: at Georgia, Oct. 19, 2019
 Shut Out an Opponent in the 2nd half: at Mississippi State, Nov. 4, 2023
 Scored a TD on first series: vs. Mississippi State, Nov. 4, 2023
 Scored on first play from scrimmage of game: at Louisville, Nov. 26, 2016
 Had 25 First Downs: 26 vs. Youngstown State, Sept. 17, 2022
 Had 30 First Downs: 35 vs. Tennessee, Nov. 6, 2021
 Had 250 yards rushing: 329 vs. Florida, Sept. 30, 2023
 Had 300 yards rushing: 329 vs. Florida, Sept. 30, 2023
 Had 400 yards rushing: 408 vs. Ole Miss, Oct. 3, 2020
 Had 500 yards rushing: 517 vs. Louisville, Nov. 30, 2019 (SCHOOL RECORD)
 Had consecutive 400-yard rushing games: 401 at Vanderbilt (11/16/19), 462 vs. UT Martin (11/23/19) and 517 vs. Louisville (11/30/19)
 Had below 50 yards rushing: 48 vs. Florida, Sept. 28, 2013
 Had 300 yards passing: 306 vs. Clemson, Dec. 29, 2023
 Had 400 yards passing: 459 vs. New Mexico State, Nov. 20, 2021
 Had below 50 yards passing: 47 at Missouri, Oct. 24, 2020
 Had 300 yards rushing and passing: (381/311) vs. New Mexico St., Sept. 17, 2016
 Had 500 yards total offense: 511 at Louisville, Nov. 27, 2021
 Had 600 yards total offense: 707 vs. New Mexico State, Nov. 20, 2021
 Had 700 yards total offense: 707 vs. New Mexico State, Nov. 20, 2021
 Had below 200 yards total offense: 183 at Georgia, Oct. 7, 2023
 Held opp. below 100 yards rushing: 50, at South Carolina, Nov. 18, 2023
Held opp. below 50 yards rushing: 5, vs. Southern Miss, Aug. 31, 2024
 Held opp. below 100 yards passing: 70, vs. ULM, Sept. 4, 2021
 Held opponent below 200 yards total offense: 192 vs. Youngstown State, Sept. 17, 2022
 Held opp. below 100 yards total offense: 87 vs. ULM, Sept. 4, 2021
 Had 10 or more tackles for loss: 12.0 vs. Clemson, Dec. 29, 2023
 Had six or more sacks: 8.0 vs. Clemson, Dec. 29, 2023
 Recorded a safety: vs. UT Martin, Nov. 23, 2019
 Recorded zero penalties: at Louisville, Nov. 25, 2023
 Had a player with 30 rush attempts: 31 by Chris Rodriguez Jr. vs. Mississippi State, Oct. 15, 2022
 Had a player rush for 100 yards: Ray Davis (128), vs. Missouri, Oct. 14, 2023
 Had two players rush for 100 yards: Chris Rodriguez Jr. (121) and Will Levis (113) at Louisville, Nov. 27, 2021
 Had three players rush for 100 yards: Chris Rodriguez Jr. (133), Terry Wilson (129), A.J. Rose (117) vs. Ole Miss; Oct. 3, 2020 (ONLY TIME AT UK)
 Had 2 players rush for 175 yards or more: Benny Snell (192) and Boom Williams (182) vs. Missouri, Oct. 29, 2016
 Had 2 players rush for 100 yards or more in consecutive games: Chris Rodriguez Jr. and Lynn Bowden Jr. at Vanderbilt (11/16/19); Bowden and A.J. Rose vs. UT Martin (11/23/19), Bowden and Rodriguez Jr. vs. Louisville (11/30/19)
 Had a player rush for 100 yards in consecutive games: Chris Rodriguez Jr. (112) at Missouri, Nov. 5, 2022 and (162), vs. Vanderbilt, Nov. 12, 2022
 Had a player rush for 100 yards in three consecutive games: Chris Rodriguez Jr., 119 vs. New Mexico State, Nov. 20, 2021; 121 at Louisville, Nov. 27, 2021 and Chris Rodriguez Jr. (107), vs. Iowa (Citrus Bowl), Jan. 1, 2022
 Had player rush for 100 yards in four consecutive games: Chris Rodriguez Jr. (2021)
 Had player rush for 100 yards in five consecutive games: Chris Rodriguez Jr. (2021)
 Had a true freshman rush for 100 yards: 152 by Benny Snell Jr. vs. Austin Peay, Nov. 19, 2016
 Had a player rush for 200 yards: Ray Davis (280), vs. Florida, Sept. 30, 2023
 Had 4 players with 50+ yards rushing in the same game: 4 vs. UT Martin, Nov. 23, 2019
 Had a player with 3 rushing touchdowns: 3 by Ray Davis vs. Florida, Sept. 30, 2023
 Had a player with 50 pass attempts: 60 by Maxwell Smith, vs. WKU, Sept. 15, 2012
 Had a player with 60 pass attempts: 60 by Maxwell Smith, vs. WKU, Sept. 15, 2012
 Had a player with 30 pass completions: 31 by Will Levis, vs. Tennessee, Nov. 6, 2021
 Had a player with 300 passing yards: 306 by Devin Leary, vs. Clemson, Dec. 29, 2023
 Had a player with 400 passing yards: 419 by Will Levis, vs. New Mexico State, Nov. 20, 2021

Had 2 players pass for 100 yards: Maxwell Smith (109), Jalen Whitlow (105) vs. Louisville, Sept. 14, 2013
 Had a player with 3 or more touchdowns passes: 3 by Devin Leary, at Louisville, Nov. 25, 2023
 Had a player with 2 passing touchdowns and 2 rushing touchdowns: Patrick Towles, vs. Mississippi State, Oct. 25, 2014
 Had a player with 10+ receptions: 10 by Barion Brown vs. Georgia, Nov. 19, 2022
 Had a player with 100 yards receiving: 100 by Barion Brown vs. Clemson, Dec. 29, 2023
 Had a player with consecutive 100-yard receiving games: Wan'Dale Robinson, 2 (vs. ULM, Sept. 4, 2021; vs. Missouri, Sept. 11, 2021)
 Had a player with three consecutive 100-yard receiving games: Wan'Dale Robinson, 3 (vs. ULM, Sept. 4, 2021; vs. Missouri, Sept. 11, 2021; vs. Chattanooga, Sept. 18, 2021)
 Had 2 players with 100 yards receiving: 147 by Tayvion Robinson and 102 by Barion Brown, vs. Northern Illinois, Sept. 24, 2022
 Had a player with 1,000 receiving yards in a season: 1334, Wan'Dale Robinson (2021)
 Had a true freshman with receiving TDs in each of first three collegiate games: Dane Key, 2022
Had a player with TD receptions in at least three straight games: (3) Dane Key, 2023-24
 Had a player with 3 touchdown receptions: 3 by C.J. Conrad vs. New Mexico State, Sept. 17, 2016
 Had a player with 100 rushing and 100 receiving yards in the same game: Rafael Little (132 rushing, 114 receiving) vs. Vanderbilt, Nov. 11, 2006
 Had a 100-yard passer and a 100-yard rusher in the same game: Terry Wilson (151 passing, 129 rushing) vs. Ole Miss, Oct. 3, 2020
 Had a 100-yard rusher and a 100-yard receiver in the same game: Chris Rodriguez Jr. (107 rush) and Wan'Dale Robinson (170 receiving), vs. Iowa (Citrus Bowl), Jan. 1, 2022
 Had a player score a TD by rushing and receiving in the same game: Ray Davis, at Louisville, Nov. 25, 2023
 Had a player throw a TD pass and score a rushing and receiving TD in the same game: Randall Cobb vs. Auburn, Oct. 9, 2010
 Had a player score a touchdown in each of team's first six+ games of season: 8 Ray Davis (2023)
 Had a player throw at least two TD passes and score a rushing TD in consecutive games: Patrick Towles in 2015
 Had a player throw a TD pass, score a receiving TD and score on a punt return for a TD in the same game: Randall Cobb vs. WKU, Sept. 11, 2010
 Had a player score a TD vs. rushing, receiving and kick return: Barion Brown, vs. Clemson, Dec. 29, 2023
 Had a player return a kickoff for a TD: Barion Brown (100 yards) vs. Clemson, Dec. 29, 2023
 Had a player return a punt for a TD: Josh Ali (74 yards) at Mississippi State, Oct. 30, 2021
 Had a player return an interception for a TD: D'Eryk Jackson, 28 yards, at Mississippi State, Nov. 4, 2023
 Had a player recover/return a fumble for a TD: Jalen Geiger, vs. Ball State, 69 yards, Sept. 2, 2023
 Had two defensive TDs in the same game: Maxwell Hairston (2 INT) at Vanderbilt, Sept. 23, 2023* (only time in UK history player returned two INT for TD in same game)
 Had a player recover two fumbles in one game: Jordan Wright vs. South Carolina, Dec. 5, 2020
 Had a player block a punt: Martez Thrower vs. Youngstown State, Sept. 17, 2022
 Had a player block a field goal: Keaten Wade vs. Missouri, Oct. 14, 2023
 Had a player block a PAT: Lonnie Johnson Jr. vs. Eastern Kentucky, Sept. 9, 2017
 Had a player return a blocked FG for a TD: Trevin Wallace (76 yards) vs. Florida, Oct. 2, 2021
 Had a player return a blocked punt for a TD: Andrew Hopewell (6 yards), vs. Arkansas, Nov. 1, 2006
 Had a player score a TD on a fake field goal: Joe Mansour (25 yards), vs. Florida, Sept. 28, 2013
 Had a field goal of 50 yards or more: Alex Raynor (50 yards) vs. Florida, Sept. 30, 2023
 Had a punt of 70 yards or more: Colin Goodfellow (70 yards) at Miss. State, Oct. 30, 2021
 Played an overtime game: vs. Ole Miss, Oct. 3, 2020 - (L, 41-42)
 Won an overtime game: vs. ECU, Oct. 3, 2015 - (W, 34-27)
 Won a game on the last play of regulation as time expired: 15-14 at Missouri, Oct. 27, 2018 (2-yard TD pass)



WHEN WAS THE TIME THE OPPONENT ...

Scored 40 points: 49 by Alabama, Nov. 11, 2023

Scored 50 points: 51 by Georgia, Oct. 7, 2023

Scored 10 or less points: 0 by Southern Miss, Aug. 31, 2024

Shut Out Kentucky: 0-21 by Iowa, Dec. 31, 2022

Shut Out Kentucky in 2nd half: by Tennessee, Oct. 29, 2022

Rushed for 300 yards: 331 by Georgia, Nov. 3, 2018

Passed for 300 yards: 435 by Georgia, Oct. 7, 2023

Had 500 yards of total offense: 608 by Georgia, Oct. 7, 2023

Recorded a safety: Ole Miss, Oct. 1, 2022 (intentional grounding in end zone)

Blocked a Kentucky punt: Eastern Kentucky, Sept. 9, 2023

Blocked a Kentucky field goal: Vanderbilt, Nov. 12, 2022

Blocked a Kentucky PAT: Florida, Sept. 30, 2023

Had a player with 30 rush attempts: 37, Larry Rountree (Missouri, 126 yards), Oct. 24, 2020

Had a player with 100 yards rushing: 120, Jalyn Wright (Tennessee), Oct. 28, 2023

Had a player with 200 yards rushing: 210, Kevin Harris (South Carolina), Dec. 5, 2020

Had a player with 100 yards rushing: 129, Ray Davis (Vanderbilt) and 126, Mike Wright (Vanderbilt) Nov. 12, 2022

Had a player with 40 pass attempts: 41 by Cade Klubnik (Clemson, 30 completions), Dec. 29, 2023

Had a player with 25 pass completions: 30 by Cade Klubnik (Clemson, 30 completions), Dec. 29, 2023

Had a player with 300 yards passing: 389 by Carson Beck (Georgia, Oct. 7, 2023)

Had two players with 100 yards passing: 174 by Feleipe Franks and 126 by Kyle Trask (Florida), Sept. 14, 2019

Had a player with 10 pass receptions: 10, Tyler Badie (Missouri, 88 yards), Sept. 11, 2021

Had a player with 100 yards receiving: 132, Brock Bowers (Georgia, 5 catches), Oct. 7, 2023

Had a player with 200 yards receiving: 216 by Demarcus Robinson (Florida), Sept. 13, 2014

Had two players with 100 yards receiving: 111, Korey Robertson and 103, Quez Watkins (Southern Miss), Sept. 2, 2017

Had a player return a kickoff for a TD: Evan Berry (UT), 100 yards, Oct. 31, 2015

Had a player return a punt for a TD: Kadarius Toney (UF), 50 yards, Nov. 28, 2020

Had a player return a blocked FG for a TD: Neiko Thorpe (69 yards) vs. Auburn, Oct. 17, 2009

Had a player return a blocked punt for a TD: Chris Rainey (23 yards) vs. Florida, Sept. 26, 2009

Had a player return an interception for a TD: Emmanuel Forbes (Miss. State), 59 yards, Oct. 15, 2022

Had a player return a fumble for a TD: Trevor Brohard (New Mexico State), 25 yards, Nov. 20, 2021



INDIVIDUAL/TEAM RECORDS

Most Career Wins By A Head Coach, School History

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3. 47 Fran Curci (1973-1981)
4. 41 Jerry Claiborne (1982-1989)
41 Blanton Collier (1954-1961)
6. 39 Rich Brooks (2003-2009)

Most Career Home Wins By A Head Coach, School History

- 1. 45 Mark Stoops (2013-present)
2. 33 Paul Bryant (1946-53)
3. 32 Jerry Claiborne (1982-89)
4. 29 Fran Curci (1973-81)
29 Blanton Collier (1954-61)

Kickoff Return Touchdowns, Career, School History

- 1. 4 Barion Brown, 32 returns (2022-present)
2. 3 Craig Yeast, 42 returns (1995-98)

Kickoff Return Average, Career, School History (min. 30 returns)

- 1. 31.75 Barion Brown, 32 returns (2022-23)
2. 27.11 Derrick Locke, 54 returns (2007-10)
3. 27.05 Calvin Bird, 37 returns (1958-60)
4. 25.50 Keenan Burton, 67 returns (2003-07)
5. 24.88 Craig Yeast, 42 returns (1995-98)

NCAA Kickoff Return Touchdowns, Career, Active Leaders (FBS)

- 1. 4 Barion Brown, 32 returns (KENTUCKY)

Most INT Return Touchdowns, Career

- 1. 3 Dallas Owens, 1974-77
2. 2 Maxwell Hairston*, 2022-present
Mike Edwards, 2018-18
Darryl Bishop, 1971-73
Greg Long, 1978-81

*Hairston is only player in UK history to have two in one game and is tied with Owens at 2 for the most in a season in school-history.

Most INT Return for TD Among Active Players in the FBS

- 1. Teja Young Ole Miss 4
2. Reddy Steward Troy 3
3. Cooper DeJean Iowa 3
3. M.J. Devonshire Pittsburgh 3
T5. Max Hairston KENTUCKY 2

Most Receiving Yards, Career, School History

Table with 5 columns: Rank, Name, Career, School History, Yards, Avg, TDs. Includes players like Craig Yeast, Keenan Burton, Derek Abney, etc.

Most Quarterback Sacks, Career (Since 1971)

- 1. 31.5 Josh Allen, 2015-18
2. 26 Oliver Barnett, 1986-89
3. 23.5 Alvin "Bud" Dupree, 2011-14
4. 19 Dennis Johnson, 1998-2001
5. 18.5 Jamar "Boogie" Watson, 2016-2020
6. 17.5 Jeremy Jarmon, 2006-08
17.5 J.J. Weaver (2019-24)

Most Career Tackles for Loss (Since 1977)

- 1. 43 Oliver Barnett, 1986-89
2. 41 Josh Allen, 2015-18
3. 37 Joshua Paschal, 2017-21
Bud Dupree, 2011-14
Vincent Burns, 2002-04
Marlon McCree, 1997-2002
7. 33 J.J. Weaver, 2019-24
8. 32.5 Danny Trevathan, 2008-11
9. 30 Jeremy Jarmon, 2006-08

NCAA Sacks, Career, Active Leaders (FBS)

- 1. 23.5
T7. 17.5 J.J. Weaver (KENTUCKY)

NCAA Tackles for Loss Career, Active Leaders (FBS)

- 1. 40.5
8. 33 J.J. Weaver (KENTUCKY)

NCAA Points Career, Active Leaders (FBS)

- 1. 410
2. 329 Alex Raynor (KENTUCKY)

NCAA Field Goals Made, Active Leaders (FBS)

- 1. 80
2. 56 Alex Raynor, 71 attempts (KENTUCKY)



KROGER FIELD

On game day, Kroger Field often becomes the third-largest city in Kentucky.



- Since its opening in 1973, Kentucky has played 334 games within the friendly confines of newly-named Kroger Field. **UK has a 181-144-4 record (.557), 45-28 (.616) under Mark Stoops.**
- 2024 marks the 52nd season at the facility.
- UK set a new Kroger Field attendance record when 63,543 fans packed the stadium for the Nov. 3, 2018 game vs. No. 6 Georgia.
- Two of the top five crowds in Kroger Field history came in 2018.
- UK announced its first sellout since 2015 when 62,945 fans attended the Florida game on Sept. 23, 2017.
- Since the 1999 expansion, UK has averaged 60,261 fans per game and ranked in the nation's top 30 teams in attendance in 17 of the last 19 seasons. Both the single game and season attendance record has been broken in recent years. *Note: Kroger Field capacity was limited to 12,000 fans per game in 2020 due to COVID-19 restrictions
- The stadium footprint is named C.M. Newton Grounds at Kroger Field in honor of the former UK Director of Athletics.

KROGER FIELD

Commonwealth Stadium was renamed to Kroger Field in May of 2017. The agreement--which is between Kroger and JMI Sports, UK's multimedia rights partner-- begins at approximately \$1.85 million annually with a term of up to 12 years. With the partnership, Kroger becomes the Official Fuel Partner of the University of Kentucky and the Official Grocery Partner of Move-In at UK while also providing additional engagement opportunities with UK students. Per the agreement, Kroger is also the Official Nutrition and Pharmacy Partner of UK Athletics.

Kroger Field was transformed into a state-of-the-art facility after a \$126-million reinvention which was completed prior to the 2015 season. The project was handled by HNTB. The outside of the stadium underwent a dramatic external facelift, receiving a modern look, but one that remained uniquely Kentucky. Inside, the capacity of Kroger Field was reduced over the course of the two-year project to approximately 61,000, but the value of all remaining seats were increased, from the top of the upper deck to front-row seats at midfield. Concourses were revamped and widened throughout the stadium with improved concessions, restrooms and security. Players and coaches reaped the benefits of the new Kroger Field as well, as home-team facilities were built, and a multi-purpose recruiting room hosts future Wildcats on their on-campus visits.

NEW LIGHTING, RIBBON BOARDS

In 2024, Kroger Field will feature brand new lighting and ribbon boards. The LED lighting system will include the ability to do light shows during timeouts and breaks in play similar to those at games in Rupp Arena and Kentucky Proud Park. The new ribbon boards have greater functionality, featuring sharper visual resolution than the previous set and expanded capability for display of video and graphics.

FACTS AND FIGURES

Seating Capacity: 61,000, including the Commonwealth Suites

Playing Field: UK switched from natural grass to synthetic turf for the 2015 season. Other SEC schools with a turf surface are: Arkansas, Ole Miss, Mississippi State and Missouri. The end zones and team sideline areas feature a checkerboard pattern in alternating shades of blue. It was designed to mimic the pattern of Secretariat's silks, which has been part of the football uniforms for five seasons. The school's

new interlocking "UK" logo is positioned in the center of the field.

Video Boards: Video boards by Daktronics measuring at 39 by 79 feet, each, bring a total of 6,162 square feet of video capability. The video boards put UK among the nation's leaders in video square footage.

Sound System: Sportsound system delivers pounding bass energy, smooth mid- and high-range frequencies, and high-impact entertainment. Components of the sound system include a main speaker cluster behind the end zone, under-balcony speakers and concourse speakers.

GAME DAY EXPERIENCES

The "Cat Walk" on Talbott Todd Way: With the unveiling of the new \$45 million Kentucky Football Training Facility in August of 2016, the headquarters of the program moved next door to Kroger Field. Therefore, the Cat Walk was moved to Talbott Todd Way. The Cat Walk typically begins outside Gate 1 two hours and 15 minutes prior to kickoff, and the team proceeds past Gate 1 and between Kroger Field and Nutter Field House. It was dedicated to former Wildcat Talbott Todd (1963-65) who passed away from ALS in August of 2017 and was an avid supporter of the program. From Talbott Todd Way the team walks to the locker room in the Joe Craft Kentucky Football Training Facility.

Lift Them Up: A unique partnership with Toyota Motor Manufacturing Kentucky (TMMK), the Kentucky College of Engineering and the Kentucky Children's Hospital was launched in 2019 that brings special guests to the Cat Walk as the Kentucky football team arrives at Kroger Field. A specially built push cart vehicle provides a Kentucky Children's Hospital patient the chance to both accompany the Wildcats on the Cat Walk and attend a game at Kroger Field. A new patient is chosen by the Kentucky Children's Hospital each week to participate.

TOP ATTENDANCES AT KROGER FIELD (SINCE 2015 RENOVATION)

1.	63,543	Georgia	2018
2.	63,407	Auburn	2015
3.	63,380	EKU	2015
4.	63,081	South Carolina	2018
5.	63,076	Florida	2019
6.	63,040	Florida	2015
7.	62,945	Florida	2017
8.	62,933	UL Lafayette	2015
9.	62,512	Louisville	2015



HEAD COACH MARK STOOPS / 12TH SEASON / IOWA, 1989



- A school-record, 16-game win streak against nonconference competition (2018-22), which was the nation's longest active streak at the time.
- First top-10 ranking in each the Associated Press poll and the coaches' poll since 2007 (Sept. 11, 2022)
- First consecutive top-10 rankings in each poll since 1977 (Sept. 18, 2022)
- First home win over Florida since 1986, also marking the first win over an Associated Press top 10-ranked opponent since 2010 (2021)
- First win at Tennessee since 1984 (2020)
- First New Year's Day Bowl win since 1951 (2018 season)
- First 10-win season since 1977 (2018)
- First SEC Coach of the Year since 1983 (2018)
- First final poll ranking since 1984 (2018)
- First bowl win since 2008 (2018 season)
- First win vs. Florida since 1986 (2018)
- First bowl appearance since 2010 (2016)
- Off the field, Stoops is a staunch supporter of the Kentucky Children's Hospital, helping raise more than \$500,000 **annually** for the kids. He was named the Honorary Coach of the 2022 AFCA Good Works Team.
- Kentucky's football team has fared well academically under Stoops, as each year UK's football score in the NCAA Academic Progress Rate has been well above the benchmark of 930.

The 2023 season marked yet another year of achievement for Coach Mark Stoops and the Kentucky football program.

Kentucky finished the regular season 7-5 and UK's bid to the TaxSlayer Gator Bowl extended Stoops' school record to seven official postseason appearances.

Now in his 12th season at Kentucky, Stoops has the longest term of any coach in school history and the longest term of any active coach in the Southeastern Conference.

Stoops also holds school record for wins (64), home wins (45), SEC wins (30) and wins over ranked opponents (11).

Called "the best program builder in all of college football" in 2021 by ESPN analyst Tom Luginbill, Stoops' success hasn't come easily.

Inheriting a program that was 2-10 the year before he arrived, Stoops' rebuilding efforts took time, but after reaching his first bowl bid in 2016, the coach and the Wildcats haven't looked back.

A partial accounting of Stoops' exploits features:

Several of Stoops' players have also won All-America accolades, along with honors such as the Bronko Nagurski Award, Chuck Bednarik Award, Paul Hornung Award, Ronnie Lott Trophy, Ray Guy Award, Danny Wuerffel Trophy, Jason Witten Man of the Year, Pop Warner Award, Academic All-America and National Good Works Team.

Off the field, Stoops has been active in fundraising and events for the UK Children's Hospital and he was named Honorary Coach of the 2022 National Good Works Team.

The bountiful crop of victories and honors are the fruit of the last eight seasons, but the harvest didn't come easily. Arriving in 2013, taking over a team that had gone 2-10 the season before, it took three years of plowing, planting and growing before the results came.

Stoops earned his first bowl game as head coach in 2016, when the Wildcats overcame an 0-2 start to go 7-3 down the stretch and advance to the TaxSlayer Gator Bowl. UK duplicated seven wins in 2017, playing in the Franklin-American Mortgage Music City Bowl.

Led by linebacker Josh Allen, the National Defensive Player of the Year, and Benny Snell Jr., the school's all-time leading rusher, the 2018 squad went 10-3. It was UK's best season in 41 years, topped by a win over Penn State in the VRBO Citrus Bowl. It was only the third 10-win season in school history.

In addition, the 2018 campaign featured a win at Florida -- the Wildcats' first victory over the Gators in 32 years -- resulting in UK being named the National Team of the Week by the Football Writers Association of America. The regular season concluded with a 56-10 win at in-state rival Louisville, the largest margin of victory in the history of the Governor's Cup series.

UK was No. 11 in the final *USA Today* coaches' poll and No. 12 in the final Associated Press tabulation, the school's first appearance in the final rankings since 1984. The 2018 season also continued a remarkable trend -- since Stoops took over as coach of the Cats in 2013, UK was the only school in the nation that tied or improved its win total in six straight seasons.

CollegeFootballNews.com listed Stoops as the best coaching performance of the season and he was named Southeastern Conference Coach of the Year by The Associated Press, Athlon Sports and the league coaches.

The 2019 season was one of the most unusual in school history. A succession of injuries decimated the quarterbacks and Stoops turned to wide receiver Lynn Bowden Jr. to man the QB position. Running the ball almost exclusively, UK went 6-2 down the stretch and closed the season with four straight wins, topped by a dramatic come-from-behind Belk Bowl win over Virginia Tech when



Bowden threw the game-winning touchdown pass with only 15 seconds remaining.

Stoops followed with the Covid-shortened 2020 season that was capped by a Gator Bowl win over No. 23 North Carolina State.

More winning seasons and bowl appearances have followed, giving Stoops the school records in both categories.

How has Stoops accomplished all of this? The coach would tell you that there's been nothing magical about the process.

True to his blue-collar roots in Youngstown, Ohio, the methodical advancement made by Stoops' teams is a reflection of the coach's rock-steady work ethic, tireless recruiting, and ability to adapt.

Stoops came to Kentucky from Florida State, where he was defensive coordinator from 2010-12. He inherited a unit ranked 108th in the nation in total defense and turned it into one of the nation's best. In the 2012 season, the Seminoles were second in the nation in total defense, allowing 254.1 yards per game, and sixth nationally in scoring defense at 14.7 points per game. Playing well against the run and the pass, FSU was third in the country in rushing defense and led the nation in pass defense. FSU led the ACC in seven defensive categories. Stoops also coached the defensive backs under head coach Jimbo Fisher.

Eight Seminoles on defense earned 2012 All-ACC honors, including four first-team selections, highlighted by one of the nation's top defensive end duos in Bjoern Werner and Cornellius Carradine, who combined for 24 sacks and 31 tackles for loss. Werner was a finalist for the 2012 Bronko Nagurski Award as the National Defensive Player of the Year and was among the national leaders in sacks with 13. Stoops also coached cornerback Ronald Darby to ACC Defensive Rookie of the Year. The Seminoles' prowess was a continuation of the 2011

season, when Stoops' defenders led the nation in fewest yards allowed per carry (2.3), ranked fourth in the nation in total defense (275 yards per game), second in rushing defense (82.7 ypg), fourth in scoring defense (15.1 points per game), and eighth in tackles for loss (8.6 per game) and quarterback sacks (3.1 per game). FSU led the ACC in eight defensive categories.

Stoops overhauled the Florida State defense in 2010, his first season as defensive coordinator. The Seminoles gave up 19.6 points per game, third-best in the ACC and 20th nationally. FSU ranked 42nd nationally in total defense that season; in contrast, the team was 108th nationally in total defense and 94th in scoring defense in 2009, the year before Stoops' arrival. FSU improved its overall defense by more than 80 yards per game, primarily by limiting opponents to 75 fewer rushing yards per game. The Seminoles ranked third in the nation in quarterback sacks and were 21st in tackles for loss. In the secondary, Stoops coached Xavier Rhodes to ACC Defensive Rookie of the Year honors and National Defensive Freshman of the Year accolades. During Stoops' three seasons, FSU went 10-4, 9-4 and 12-2, including wins over South Carolina in the 2010 Chick-fil-A Bowl, Notre Dame in the 2011 Champs Sports Bowl and Northern Illinois in the 2013 Orange Bowl.

Stoops was defensive coordinator and DBs coach at Arizona from 2004-09, working for his brother, Mike, who was head coach of the Wildcats. During Mark's time there, Arizona's records improved steadily, going 3-8, 3-8, 6-6, 5-7, 8-5 and 8-5. The Wildcats advanced to the Las Vegas Bowl and Holiday Bowl during the last two years.

Stoops inherited an Arizona unit that was 109th in the nation in total defense and 107th in scoring defense in 2003, the year before he arrived. By the end of his term at Arizona, the Wildcats ranked in the nation's top 25 in total

defense his final two seasons and ranked as high as 33rd in scoring defense.

Mark and Mike are also brothers of Bob Stoops, who spent 18 years as the Oklahoma head coach and has been elected to the College Football Hall of Fame. The eldest Stoops brother, Ron Jr., is retired after coaching at Youngstown State. Mark and Mike have reunited in Lexington, as Mike joined the UK staff in 2022 as inside linebackers coach.

Prior to Arizona, Mark Stoops coached the defensive backs three years at Miami (Fla.). The 2001 national champion Hurricanes led the nation in pass efficiency defense, scoring defense and turnover margin. That team also established a school record with 27 interceptions and 45 total takeaways.

Stoops' 2002 secondary led the nation in pass defense and pass efficiency defense. Despite having to replace all four starters in the defensive backfield, the 2003 team led the nation in pass defense. In his three seasons, Miami went 35-3, including the 12-0 Rose Bowl title campaign, plus appearances in the Fiesta and Orange bowls. Ten Miami defensive backs who played at least one season under Stoops were eventually selected in the National Football League draft – seven in the first round.

Stoops got his first experience in leading a defense as co-defensive coordinator at Houston in the 2000 season. He coached the secondary at Wyoming from 1997-99 and the Cowboys notched three straight winning seasons. A highlight of his time there was a school-record 24 interceptions in the '97 season. His first full-time coaching job was in 1996 at South Florida, helping USF in the start-up of its program before the Bulls had their first kickoff in '97.

Stoops has recruited and developed numerous outstanding defensive backs, many of whom went on to National Football League careers. Among the notables are Antoine Cason

STOOPS AND CO. MAKING A HIT IN RECRUITING

Now in his 12th season at the helm of the Kentucky football program, head coach Mark Stoops and his staff have been making noise on the recruiting trail. Kentucky's 12 classes under Stoops have ranked in the top 50 by all four major recruiting services. Below is a look at UK's recruiting success under Stoops and Co.

Kentucky's Signing Day class for 2022 was UK's highest-rated class in the available history of recruiting rankings.

Table with 13 columns: Outlet, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024. Rows include Rivals, ESPN, and 247Sports.



and Michael Johnson at Arizona, Miami’s Philip Buchanon, Kelly Jennings, Brandon Meriweather, Ed Reed, Antrel Rolle, Mike Rumph and Sean Taylor and Wyoming’s Brian Lee.

Stoops was raised in Youngstown, Ohio. As did brothers Bob and Mike, Mark played in the secondary at the University of Iowa for Hall of Fame coach Hayden Fry. He participated in four bowl games as a player. Fry hired Stoops as a graduate assistant coach at Iowa in the 1990 and '91 seasons. The Hawkeyes won the 1990 Big Ten title and played in the Rose Bowl, duplicating feats Stoops also achieved as a player. Stoops went on to coach four years in high school before entering the collegiate ranks.

Stoops has two sons, Will and Zack.

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- 41 Blanton Collier (1954-1961)
6. 39 Rich Brooks (2003-2009)
7. 32 Harry Gamage (1927-1933)
8. 26 Bill Curry (1990-1996)

Most Home Wins By A Head Coach

1. **45 Mark Stoops (2013-Present)**
2. 33 Paul “Bear” Bryant (1946-1953)
3. 32 Jerry Claiborne (1982-1989)
4. 29 Fran Curci (1973-1981)
5. 25 Rich Brooks (2003-2009)

STOOPS VS. ALL OPPONENTS

Opponent	Record
Akron	1-0
Alabama	0-4
Alabama State	1-0
Arkansas	1-0
AUBURN	0-2
Austin Peay.....	1-0
Ball State	1-0
Central Michigan	1-0
Charlotte.....	1-0
Chattanooga	#0-0
Clemson.....	0-1
Eastern Kentucky.....	3-0
Eastern Michigan.....	2-0
FLORIDA	#3-7
GEORGIA	0-11
Georgia Tech.....	0-1
Iowa.....	#0-1
Louisiana-Lafayette.....	1-0
Louisiana-Monroe	#1-0
LOUISVILLE	#5-4
LSU	#0-1
Miami (Ohio)	2-0
Middle Tennessee	1-0
Mississippi State	5-6
Missouri.....	#6-4
MURRAY STATE	1-0
New Mexico State	#1-0
North Carolina State.....	1-0
Northern Illinois	1-0
Northwestern	0-1
OHIO.....	1-0
OLE MISS.....	0-3
Penn State	1-0
SOUTH CAROLINA.....	#6-4
SOUTHERN MISS.....	2-1
TENNESSEE.....	2-9
Tennessee-Martin.....	2-0
TEXAS.....	0-0
Texas A&M.....	0-1
Toledo	1-0
VANDERBILT	#7-3
Virginia Tech	1-0
Western Kentucky	0-1
Youngstown State.....	1-0
TOTAL	*64-65

** Note: 10 wins from the 2021 season vacated by the NCAA; on-field record is 74-65
record does not include win from the 2021 season, now vacated by the NCAA*





FIRST ROUND PICKS

COACHED BY *Mark Stoops*

THE MARK STOOPS COACHING FILES

Year	School	Position	W-L	SEC	Bowl
1990	Iowa	Graduate Assistant	8-4		Rose
1991	Iowa	Graduate Assistant	10-1-1		Holiday
1992-95	Nordonia HS	Defensive Backs			
1996	South Florida	Defensive Backs	0-0		
1997	Wyoming	Defensive Backs	7-6		
1998	Wyoming	Defensive Backs	8-3		
1999	Wyoming	Defensive Backs	7-4		
2000	Houston	Co-Defensive Coord., Safeties	3-8		
2001	Miami (Fla.)	Defensive Backs	12-0		Rose
2002	Miami (Fla.)	Defensive Backs	12-1		Fiesta
2003	Miami (Fla.)	Defensive Backs	11-2		Orange
2004	Arizona	Defensive Coordinator, DBs	3-8		
2005	Arizona	Defensive Coordinator, DBs	3-8		
2006	Arizona	Defensive Coordinator, DBs	6-6		
2007	Arizona	Defensive Coordinator, DBs	5-7		
2008	Arizona	Defensive Coordinator, DBs	8-5		Las Vegas
2009	Arizona	Defensive Coordinator, DBs	8-5		Holiday
2010	Florida State	Defensive Coordinator, DBs	10-4		Chick-fil-A
2011	Florida State	Defensive Coordinator, DBs	9-4		Champs Sports
2012	Florida State	Defensive Coordinator, DBs	12-2		Orange
2013	Kentucky	Head Coach	2-10	0-8	
2014	Kentucky	Head Coach	5-7	2-6	
2015	Kentucky	Head Coach	5-7	2-6	
2016	Kentucky	Head Coach	7-6	4-4	TaxSlayer
2017	Kentucky	Head Coach	7-6	4-4	Music City
2018	Kentucky	Head Coach	10-3	5-3	Citrus
2019	Kentucky	Head Coach	8-5	3-5	Belk
2020	Kentucky	Head Coach	5-6	4-6	TaxSlayer Gator
2021	Kentucky	Head Coach	*0-3	0-3	Vrbo Citrus, NCAA vacated
2022	Kentucky	Head Coach	7-6	3-5	Music City
2023	Kentucky	Head Coach	7-6	3-5	TaxSlayer Gator
2024	Kentucky	Head Coach	1-0	0-0	
Overall	Head Coach		*64-65	30-55	*10 wins vacated by NCAA

STOOPS' NFL DRAFT PICKS

Name	Year	Rd	Pick	Overall	Team
Avery Williamson	2014	5	11	151	Titans
Bud Dupree	2015	1	22	22	Steelers
Za'Darius Smith	2015	4	23	122	Ravens
Josh Forrest	2016	6	15	190	Rams
Josh Allen	2019	1	7	7	Jaguars
Lonnie Johnson	2019	2	22	54	Texans
Mike Edwards	2019	3	35	99	Bucs
Benny Snell Jr.	2019	4	19	122	Steelers
George Asafo-Adjei	2019	7	18	232	Giants
Lynn Bowden Jr.	2020	3	16	80	Raiders
Logan Stenberg	2020	4	15	121	Lions
Jamin Davis	2021	1	19	19	Washington
Kelvin Joseph	2021	2	12	44	Cowboys
Quinton Bohanna	2021	6	8	192	Cowboys
Brandin Echols	2021	6	16	200	Jets
Landon Young	2021	6	22	206	Saints
Phil Hoskins	2021	7	3	232	Panthers
W. Robinson	2022	2	11	43	Giants
Josh Paschal	2022	2	14	46	Lions
Luke Fortner	2022	3	1	65	Jaguars
Darian Kinnard	2022	5	2	145	Chiefs
Will Levis	2023	2	2	33	Titans
Chris Rodriguez	2023	6	16	193	Washington
Carrington Valentine	2023	7	15	232	Packers
Andru Phillips	2024	3	6	70	Giants
Trevin Wallace	2024	3	8	72	Panthers
Ray Davis	2024	4	28	128	Bills
Devin Leary	2024	6	42	218	Ravens



STOOPS' YEAR-BY-YEAR

2013 – Won 2, Lost 10

26	WKU*	35	Nashville	Aug. 31
41	Miami (Ohio)	7	Lexington	Sept. 7
13	Louisville	27	Lexington	Sept. 14
7	Florida*	24	Lexington	Sept. 28
28	South Carolina*	35	Columbia	Oct. 5
7	Alabama*	48	Lexington	Oct. 12
22	Mississippi State*	28	Starkville	Oct. 24
48	Alabama State *	14	Lexington	Nov. 2
17	Missouri	48	Lexington	Nov. 9
6	Vanderbilt	22	Nashville	Nov. 16
17	Georgia*	59	Athens	Nov. 23
13	Tennessee*	27	Lexington	Nov. 30
246		374		

COACH: Mark Stoops
CAPTS: Avery Williamson and game captains

2014 – Won 5, Lost 7

59	UT Martin	14	Lexington	Aug. 30
20	Ohio	3	Lexington	Sept. 6
30	Florida* (3 OT)	36	Gainesville	Sept. 13
17	Vanderbilt	7	Lexington	Sept. 27
45	South Carolina*	38	Lexington	Oct. 4
48	ULM	14	Lexington	Oct. 11
3	LSU*	41	Baton Rouge	Oct. 18
31	Mississippi State	45	Lexington	Oct. 25
10	Missouri	20	Columbia	Nov. 1
31	Georgia	63	Lexington	Nov. 8
16	Tennessee	50	Knoxville	Nov. 15
40	Louisville	44	Louisville	Nov. 29
350		375		

COACH: Mark Stoops
CAPTS: Javess Blue, Alvin "Bud" Dupree, Za'Darius Smith, Jordan Swindle

2015 – Won 5, Lost 7

40	UL Lafayette*	33	Lexington	Sept. 5
26	South Carolina*	22	Columbia	Sept. 12
9	Florida*	14	Lexington	Sept. 19
21	Missouri*	13	Lexington	Sept. 26
34	Eastern Ky. (OT)*	27	Lexington	Oct. 3
27	Auburn*	30	Lexington	Oct. 15
16	Mississippi State*	42	Starkville	Oct. 24
21	Tennessee*	52	Lexington	Oct. 31
3	Georgia	27	Athens	Nov. 7
17	Vanderbilt	21	Nashville	Nov. 14
58	Charlotte*	10	Lexington	Nov. 21
24	Louisville	38	Lexington	Nov. 28
296		329		

COACH: Mark Stoops
CAPTS: Farrington Huguenin, Josh Forrest, Patrick Towles, Jordan Swindle, Melvin Lewis, A.J. Stamps

2016 – Won 7, Lost 6

35	Southern Miss*	44	Lexington	Sept. 3
7	Florida	45	Gainesville	Sept. 10
62	New Mexico St.	42	Lexington	Sept. 17
17	South Carolina*	10	Lexington	Sept. 24
6	Alabama*	34	Tuscaloosa	Oct. 1
20	Vanderbilt	13	Lexington	Oct. 8
40	Mississippi State*	38	Lexington	Oct. 22
35	Missouri	21	Columbia	Oct. 29
24	Georgia*	27	Lexington	Nov. 5
36	Tennessee	49	Knoxville	Nov. 12
49	Austin Peay	13	Lexington	Nov. 19
41	Louisville	38	Louisville	Nov. 26

TAXSLAYER BOWL

18	Georgia Tech	33	Jacksonville	Dec. 31
390		407		

COACH: Mark Stoops
CAPTS: Jon Toth, Courtney Miggins, Courtney Love, Jeff Badet, Jojo Kemp, Marcus McWilson

2017 – Won 7, Lost 6

24	Southern Miss	17	Hattiesburg	Sept. 2
27	Eastern Ky.	16	Lexington	Sept. 9
23	South Carolina*	13	Columbia	Sept. 16
27	Florida*	28	Lexington	Sept. 23
24	Eastern Mich.	20	Lexington	Sept. 30
40	Missouri*	34	Lexington	Oct. 7
7	Mississippi State	45	Starkville	Oct. 21
29	Tennessee*	26	Lexington	Oct. 28
34	Ole Miss	37	Lexington	Nov. 4
44	Vanderbilt	21	Nashville	Nov. 11
13	Georgia	42	Athens	Nov. 18
17	Louisville	44	Lexington	Nov. 25

FRANKLIN AMERICAN MORTGAGE MUSIC CITY BOWL

23	Northwestern	24	Nashville	Dec. 29
332		367		

COACH: Mark Stoops
CAPTS: Mike Edwards, Nick Haynes, Stephen Johnson, Courtney Love, Garrett Johnson, Charles Walker

2018 – Won 10, Lost 3

35	Central Michigan	20	Lexington	Sept. 1
27	Florida*	16	Gainesville	Sept. 8
48	Murray State	10	Lexington	Sept. 15
28	Mississippi State*	7	Lexington	Sept. 22
24	South Carolina*	10	Lexington	Sept. 29
14	Texas A&M (OT)*	20	College Station	Oct. 6
14	Vanderbilt*	7	Lexington	Oct. 20
15	Missouri	14	Columbia	Oct. 27
17	Georgia	34	Lexington	Nov. 3
7	Tennessee	24	Knoxville	Nov. 10
34	Middle Tennessee	23	Lexington	Nov. 17
56	Louisville*	10	Louisville	Nov. 24

VRBO CITRUS BOWL

27	Penn State	24	Orlando	Jan. 1
346		219		

COACH: Mark Stoops
CAPTS: Josh Allen, George Asafo-Adjei, C.J. Conrad, Kash Daniel, Mike Edwards, Benny Snell Jr.

2019 – Won 8, Lost 5

38	Toledo	24	Lexington	Aug. 31
38	Eastern Michigan*	17	Lexington	Sept. 7
21	Florida*	29	Lexington	Sept. 14
13	Mississippi State	28	Starkville	Sept. 21
7	South Carolina*	24	Columbia	Sept. 28
24	Arkansas*	20	Lexington	Oct. 12
0	Georgia*	21	Athens	Oct. 19
29	Missouri*	7	Lexington	Oct. 26
13	Tennessee*	17	Lexington	Nov. 9
38	Vanderbilt	14	Nashville	Nov. 16
50	UT Martin	7	Lexington	Nov. 23
45	Louisville	13	Lexington	Nov. 30

BELK BOWL

37	Virginia Tech	30	Charlotte	Dec. 31
353		251		

COACH: Mark Stoops
CAPTS: Lynn Bowden Jr., Kash Daniel, Logan Stenberg, Terry Wilson, Josh Paschal

2020 – Won 5, Lost 6

13	Auburn	29	Auburn	Sept. 26
41	Ole Miss (OT)	42	Lexington	Oct. 3
24	Mississippi State*	2	Lexington	Oct. 10
34	Tennessee	7	Knoxville	Oct. 17
10	Missouri	20	Columbia	Oct. 24
3	Georgia	14	Lexington	Oct. 31
38	Vanderbilt	35	Lexington	Nov. 14
3	Alabama	63	Tuscaloosa	Nov. 21
10	Florida	34	Gainesville	Nov. 28
41	South Carolina*	18	Lexington	Dec. 5

TAXSLAYER GATOR BOWL

23	North Carolina St.	21	Jacksonville	Jan. 2
240		285		

COACH: Mark Stoops
CAPTS: Josh Ali, Quinton Bohanna, Yusuf Corker, Max Duffy, Drake Jackson, Josh Paschal, DeAndre Square, Boogie Watson, Terry Wilson and Landon Young

Due to COVID 19, 2020 was a 10-game SEC-only schedule

2021 – Won 0, Lost 3 (10 wins vacated by NCAA)

45	ULM	10	Lexington	Sept. 4
35	Missouri*	28	Lexington	Sept. 11
28	Chattanooga	23	Lexington	Sept. 18
16	South Carolina*	10	Columbia	Sept. 25
20	Florida*	13	Lexington	Oct. 2
42	LSU*	21	Lexington	Oct. 9
13	Georgia	30	Athens	Oct. 16
17	Mississippi State*	31	Starkville	Oct. 30
42	Tennessee*	45	Lexington	Nov. 6
34	Vanderbilt*	17	Nashville	Nov. 13
56	New Mexico State	16	Lexington	Nov. 20
52	Louisville*	21	Louisville	Nov. 27

VRBO CITRUS BOWL

20	Iowa	17	Orlando	Jan. 1
432		276		

COACH: Mark Stoops
CAPTS: Josh Ali, Yusuf Corker, DeAndre Square, Luke Fortner, Marquan McCall, Will Lewis, Josh Paschal and Chris Rodriguez Jr.

2022 – Won 7, Lost 6

37	Miami (Ohio)*	13	Lexington	Sept. 3
26	Florida*	16	Gainesville	Sept. 10
31	Youngstown State	0	Lexington	Sept. 17
31	Northern Illinois*	23	Lexington	Sept. 24
19	Ole Miss	22	Oxford	Oct. 1
14	South Carolina*	24	Lexington	Oct. 8
27	Mississippi State*	17	Lexington	Oct. 15
6	Tennessee*	44	Knoxville	Oct. 29
21	Missouri	17	Columbia	Nov. 5
21	Vanderbilt	24	Lexington	Nov. 12
6	Georgia	16	Lexington	Nov. 19
26	Louisville	13	Lexington	Nov. 26

TRANSPERCT MUSIC CITY BOWL

0	Iowa	21	Nashville	Dec. 31
265		250		

COACH: Mark Stoops
CAPTS: Will Lewis, Jordan Wright, Chris Rodriguez Jr., Deandre Square, JJ Weaver, Jacquez Jones, and Kenneth Horsey

2023 – Won 7, Lost 6

44	Ball State	14	Lexington	Sept. 2
28	Eastern Kentucky	17	Lexington	Sept. 9
35	Akron*	3	Lexington	Sept. 16
45	Vanderbilt	28	Nashville	Sept. 23
33	Florida	14	Lexington	Sept. 30
13	Georgia*	51	Athens	Oct. 7
21	Missouri*	38	Lexington	Oct. 14
27	Tennessee*	33	Lexington	Oct. 28
24	Mississippi State*	3	Starkville	Nov. 4
21	Alabama	49	Lexington	Nov. 11
14	South Carolina	17	Columbia	Nov. 18
38	Louisville	31	Louisville	Nov. 25

TAXSLAYER GATOR BOWL BOWL

35	Clemson	38	Jacksonville	Dec. 29
378		336		

COACH: Mark Stoops
CAPTS: Zion Childress, Eli Cox, Kenneth Horsey, Devin Leary, Deone Walker, Trevin Wallace, J.J. Weaver

2024 – Won 1, Lost 0

31	Southern Miss*	0	Lexington	Aug. 31
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* Indicates night game





ASSISTANT COACHES



FRANK BUFFANO

SAFETIES

Frank Buffano was hired in March of 2020 after serving seven years as the director of football operations at UK. He assists Chris Collins with the defensive backs and works primarily with the safeties. In 2022, he also was the co-special teams coordinator.

Prior to Kentucky, Buffano was a secondary coach and linebackers coach at Youngstown State. He began his career at Arizona under Mike Stoops, serving as a defensive graduate assistant coach his last two seasons after three years of working as a video graduate assistant with the Wildcats.

2008-09	Defensive Grad Assistant	Arizona
2010	Secondary	Youngstown State
2011-12	Linebackers	Youngstown State
2020	Safeties	Kentucky
2021-2022	Safeties/Co-Special Teams Coordinator	Kentucky
2023-present	Safeties	Kentucky



JAY BOULWARE

RUNNING BACKS/SPECIAL TEAMS

Jay Boulware came to Kentucky on Dec. 12, 2022, bringing a plethora of success to the Commonwealth. He has more than 25 years of coaching experience and has been a part of 17 teams that advanced to bowl games. Before UK, he served as an offensive intern in the NFL for the Pittsburgh Steelers, working specifically with the running backs, including UK's all-time leading rusher, Benny Snell Jr.

Prior to the Steelers, he served as the associate head coach for special teams and tight ends coach at Texas, his alma mater, helping the No. 19 Longhorns finish 7-3 overall and capture the Alamo Bowl title in 2020.

He also spent seven years at Oklahoma, working under then-head coach Bob Stoops from 2013-16 and Lincoln Riley from (2017-19) and had stints at Auburn, Utah, Stanford, Arizona and Northern Illinois.

Boulware was an offensive lineman at Texas before entering the coaching ranks.

1994-95	Student Assistant	Texas
1996	Graduate Assistant	Texas
1997-2000	Tight Ends/Co-Offensive Line	Northern Illinois
2001-03	Tight Ends/Running Backs/Offensive Line	Arizona
Summer of 2004	NFL Minority Coaching Fellowship Program	San Francisco 49ers
2004	Running Backs	Stanford
2005-06	Tight Ends/Co-Special Teams	Utah
2007-08	Running Backs/Special Teams	Iowa State
2009-12	Tight Ends/Special Teams	Auburn
2013-19	Running Backs/Special Teams	Oklahoma
Summer of 2014	NFL Minority Coaching Fellowship Program	New Orleans Saints
2020	Assoc. Head Coach/Tight Ends/Special Teams	Texas
2021	Offensive Intern	Pittsburgh Steelers
2023-present	Running Backs/Special Teams Coord.	Kentucky



CHRIS COLLINS

CO-DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR/DBS

Chris Collins enters his fourth season at Kentucky coaching the defensive backs, his first as co-defensive coordinator.

Collins was hired in June of 2021 after four seasons as the safeties coach at Georgia State. He helped the Panthers advance to a bowl game in three of his four seasons.

Collins was a four-year letter winner and two-year captain as a safety and outside linebacker at Western Carolina from 2006-09. He finished his career with 303 tackles, 19 tackles for loss, nine forced fumbles and five pass breakups.

2011-12	Defensive Assistant	Western Carolina
2013-14	Secondary / Special Teams Coordinator	Catawba
2015	Defensive Graduate Assistant	Appalachian State
2016	Assistant Linebackers Coach	Western Carolina
2017-18	Assistant Safeties Coach	Georgia State
2019-20	Assistant Safeties Coach / Recruiting Coordinator	Georgia State
2021-23	Defensive Backs	Kentucky
2024-present	Co-Defensive Coord./DBs	Kentucky



BUSH HAMDAN

OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR/QBS

Bush Hamdan is the newest member of Kentucky's coaching staff, hired as the new offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach on Feb. 14, 2024.

Hamdan comes to the Bluegrass with 15 years of collegiate and NFL coaching experience combined, most recently serving as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at his alma mater, Boise State.

Boise State tied for the 2023 regular-season championship of the Mountain West Conference, then won the league championship game with a victory at UNLV. The Broncos went on to play in the LA Bowl. The Broncos were second in the MWC in scoring offense and third in total offense.

Hamdan was a three-year letter winner and two-time team captain as a quarterback at Boise State from 2006-08. His last three seasons, all played under Petersen, the Broncos posted a 35-4 overall record, including a perfect 13-0 mark and a win over Oklahoma in the Fiesta Bowl in 2006. As a senior, he earned the Bronco Excellence Award for integrity and leadership.

2009	Student Coach	Colorado
2010	Offensive Quality Control	Maryland
2011	Tight Ends	Sacramento State
2012	Wide Receivers	Florida
2013	Co-Offensive Coordinator/ Quarterbacks	Arkansas State
2014	Offensive Coordinator/ Quarterbacks	Davidson
2015	Offensive Quality Control	Washington
2016	Wide Receivers/Passing Game Coordinator	Washington
2017	Quarterbacks	Atlanta Falcons
2018-19	Offensive Coordinator/ Quarterbacks	Washington
2020-21	Wide Receivers/Quarterbacks	Missouri
2022	Quarterbacks	Missouri
2023	Offensive Coordinator/ Quarterbacks	Boise State
2024-present	Offensive Coordinator/ Quarterbacks	Kentucky



VINCE MARROW

ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH/TIGHT ENDS/RECRUITING COORDINATOR

Vince Marrow, aka the "Big Dawg," enters his 12th season at Kentucky, currently handling the duties of associate head coach/tight ends coach/recruiting coordinator/NFL liaison.

Marrow's tight ends have been a big factor in UK producing six seasons of 2,000 or more rushing yards with at least one 1,000-yard rusher in all six of those (Stanley "Boom" Williams -2016; Benny Snell Jr., - 2017, 2018; Lynn Bowden - 2019; Chris Rodriguez Jr. - 2021, Ray Davis - 2023). Marrow also has been instrumental in UK signing 11 straight top-50 recruiting classes, including the highest-rated class in UK history in 2021.

Marrow had a professional playing career as a member of NFL rosters on five teams, including Buffalo, Carolina, New York Jets, Chicago and San Francisco. After his NFL days ended, Marrow played for the Frankfurt Galaxy of NFL Europe in 1998, earning all-league honors with 32 receptions for 345 yards. He also played for the Orlando Rage in the XFL in 2001.

He began his collegiate playing career at Youngstown State before transferring to Toledo. Marrow played two seasons at Toledo, earning second-team All-MAC honors in 1991 before being drafted by the Bills in 1992.

2005-06	Tackles, Tight Ends	Berlin (NFL Europe)
2006-07	Tackles, Tight Ends	Rhein (NFL Europe)
2008	Tight Ends	Toledo
2009	Head Coach	Holland HS
2010	Tight Ends	Omaha (United Football League)
2011-12	Graduate Assistant / Tight Ends	Nebraska
2013	Tight Ends	Kentucky
2014-18	Tight Ends, Recruiting Coordinator	Kentucky
2019-present	Associate Head Coach/Tight Ends	Kentucky



DAIKIEL SHORTS

WIDE RECEIVERS

Daikiel Shorts is in his first season as the wide receivers coach at Kentucky after coaching the last three years (2021-23) in the same position at Houston. He also spent two years as the Director of Player Development (2019-20) for the Cougars.

Before getting into coaching, Shorts was a standout receiver under Dana Holgorsen at West Virginia from 2013-16. The four-year letter winner led the Mountaineers in receiving in three of his four years. He closed his collegiate career ranked fifth on the WVU career chart with 177 receptions and sixth with 2,263 receiving yards and 14 scores.

2018	Program Assistant	West Virginia
2019-20	Director of Player Personnel	Houston
2021-23	Wide Receivers	Houston
2024-present	Wide Receivers	Kentucky



ANWAR STEWART

DEFENSIVE LINE

Former Wildcat Anwar Stewart was named the defensive line coach at Kentucky in January of 2020. He returned to the Bluegrass after one season as the defensive line coach at Appalachian State.

Stewart is quite familiar with the Kentucky football program after playing linebacker/defensive end from 1996-99 under head coaches Bill Curry and Hal Mumme and having served as a student assistant and defensive assistant under head coach Mark Stoops from 2017-18.

During his playing days at Kentucky, he totaled 64 tackles, including nine tackles for loss and eight sacks, playing both linebacker and defensive end.

2014	Defensive Quality Control	Montreal Alouettes
2015	Defensive Ends	Montreal Alouettes
2016	Defensive Line	Montreal Alouettes
2017-18	Defensive Assistant	Kentucky
2019	Defensive Line	Appalachian State
2020-present	Defensive Line	Kentucky



MIKE STOOPS

INSIDE LINEBACKERS

Mike Stoops, a 35-year collegiate coaching veteran who is the brother of head coach Mark Stoops, was named the inside linebackers coach in January of 2022. He replaced Jon Sumrall, who was named the head coach at Troy.

Before UK, Mike Stoops coached at Florida Atlantic where he spent the 2021 season as the defensive coordinator and safeties coach. Prior to that, he spent two seasons (2019 and 2020) at Alabama as an analyst on Nick Saban's staff, highlighted by the 2020 national championship. He also was the assistant head coach and defensive coordinator at Oklahoma from 2012-18 and was the head coach at Arizona from 2004-11. He had a first term at Oklahoma from 1999-2003, including the 2000 national championship season.

1987	Graduate Assistant	Iowa
1988-91	Volunteer Assistant	Iowa
1992-95	Defensive Ends	Kansas State
1996	Co-Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Ends	Kansas State
1997	Co-Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Backs	Kansas State
1998	Asst. Head Coach/Co-Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Backs	Kansas State
1999-2003	Asst. Head Coach/Co-Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Backs	Oklahoma
2004-11	Head Coach	Arizona
2012-14	Asst. Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Backs	Oklahoma
2015-18	Asst. Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator/Outside Linebackers	Oklahoma
2019-20	Quality Control	Alabama
2021	Defensive Coordinator/Safeties	Florida Atlantic
2022-present	Inside Linebackers	Kentucky



BRAD **WHITE**

DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR/ OUTSIDE LINEBACKERS

Brad White is in his seventh season at Kentucky as the outside linebackers coach and sixth as the Cats' defensive coordinator. He was elevated to the DC position by head coach Mark Stoops in February of 2019.

White came to Kentucky after spending six years as the outside linebackers coach with the Indianapolis Colts.

A graduate of Wake Forest, White started at linebacker and finished his playing career with 227 tackles, 19.0 tackles for loss, 4.0 sacks and eight passes defended, while starting 34-of-35 games played. White was a three-time Academic All-ACC selection and was named to the 2004 CoSIDA Academic All-District III team.

2007-08	Defensive Graduate Assistant	Wake Forest
2009	Safeties	Murray State
2010-11	Inside Linebackers	Air Force
2012-13	Defensive Quality Control	Indianapolis (NFL)
2014	Assistant Linebackers	Indianapolis (NFL)
2015-17	Outside Linebackers	Indianapolis (NFL)
2018	Outside Linebackers	Kentucky
2019-present	Defensive Coordinator/Outside Linebackers	Kentucky



ERIC **WOLFORD**

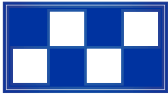
OFFENSIVE LINE

Eric Wolford returned to Kentucky as the Wildcats' offensive line coach in January 2024. Wolford, who was Kentucky's offensive line coach in 2021, spent the last two seasons at Alabama.

Prior to UK in 2021, Wolford spent four seasons at South Carolina. Wolford has over 25 years of coaching experience, including two in the NFL.

His new offensive line unit has plenty of playing experience as all but one starter from 2023 (Jeremy Flax) returns. Those linemen include Jager Burton, Eli Cox, Marques Cox, Courtland Ford and Dylan Ray.

1996	Offensive Line/Strength Coach	Emporia State (Division II)
1997-99	Offensive Line	South Florida
2000-02	Offensive Line	Houston
2003	Offensive Line	North Texas
2004-06	Offensive Line	Arizona
2007-08	Offensive Line	Illinois
2009	Offensive Line	South Carolina
2010-14	Head Coach	Youngstown State
2015-16	Offensive Line	San Francisco 49ers
2017-20	Offensive Line	South Carolina
2021	Offensive Line	Kentucky
2022-23	Offensive Line	Alabama
2024-present	Offensive Line	Kentucky



2024 GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

OFFENSIVE STARTERS

	TE/WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	WR	WR/TE	WR/TE	RB	QB
SOUTHERN MISS	Dingle	M. Cox	Burton	E. Cox	Farmer	G. Mincey	B. Brown	Key	Maclin	Sumo-Karn.	Vandagriff
SOUTH CAROLINA											
GEORGIA											
OHIO											
at Ole Miss											
VANDERBILT											
at Florida											
AUBURN											
at Tennessee											
MURRAY STATE											
at Texas											
LOUISVILLE											

DEFENSIVE STARTERS

	CB	DE	NG	DT	SLB/DT	WLB	MLB	NICK/LB	SS	FS	CB
SOUTHERN MISS	Hairston	Rybka	Silver	Walker	Weaver	D. Jackson	Dumas-Johnson	Bryant	Childress	Lovett	Hardaway
SOUTH CAROLINA											
GEORGIA											
OHIO											
at Ole Miss											
VANDERBILT											
at Florida											
AUBURN											
at Tennessee											
MURRAY STATE											
at Texas											
LOUISVILLE											





2024 SCORING DRIVE ANALYSIS

GAME-BY-GAME SCORING DRIVES

Game	Plays/Yards	Qtr./Clock	Res.	Scoring Play
USM	10/59	1/6:03	TD	Brown 12 yd pass from Vandagriff
USM	4/9	2/7:45	FG	A. Raynor 41 yd FG
USM	7/75	2/3:07	TD	Sumo-Karngbaye 1 yd rush
USM	3/29	2/0:31	TD	Brown 12 yd pass from Vandagriff
USM	7/84	3/9:56	TD	Dingle 5 yd pass from Vandagriff

GAME OPENING DRIVES

Game	KENTUCKY		OPPONENT	
	Res/Pts	Yds	Res/Pts	Yds
SOUTHERN MISS	INT/0	27	INT/0	29
SOUTH CAROLINA				
GEORGIA				
OHIO				
at Ole Miss				
VANDERBILT				
at Florida				
AUBURN				
at Tennessee				
MURRAY STATE				
at Texas				
LOUISVILLE				
Total/Avg				

2ND HALF OPENING DRIVES

Game	KENTUCKY		OPPONENT	
	Res/Pts	Yds	Res/Pts	Yds
SOUTHERN MISS	TD/7	84	Punt/0	28
SOUTH CAROLINA				
GEORGIA				
OHIO				
at Ole Miss				
VANDERBILT				
at Florida				
AUBURN				
at Tennessee				
MURRAY STATE				
at Texas				
LOUISVILLE				
Total/Avg				

DRIVE ANALYSIS

Game	Total Drive	TD	FG	MFG	P	TO	4DN
SOUTHERN MISS	7	4	1	0	1	1	0
SOUTH CAROLINA							
GEORGIA							
OHIO							
at Ole Miss							
VANDERBILT							
at Florida							
AUBURN							
at Tennessee							
MURRAY STATE							
at Texas							
LOUISVILLE							
Totals							

GAME-BY-GAME TD DRIVES

Yds	TD	TDs
0-9		
10-19		
20-29	1	
30-39		
40-49		
50-59	1	
60-69		
70-79	1	
80-89	1	
90-99		



2024 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Table with 9 columns: Game, Score, First Downs, Time of Possession, Rushing (No-Yds-TD), Passing (Cmp-Att-Int-Yds-TD), Total Offense (Plays-Yds-TD), 3rd Down Conversions, Fumbles-Lost. Rows include Kentucky vs Southern Miss and various other games.

GAME-BY GAME RUSHING

Table with 8 columns: (No-Yds-TD), Trayanum, Vandagriff, Wimsatt, Patterson, Sumo-Karnbaye, Wilcox, Brown. Rows list rushing stats for various games.

GAME-BY GAME RECEIVING

Table with 11 columns: (Rec-Yds-TD), Farrier II, Brown, Anderson, Jo. Dingle, Sumo-Karnbaye, Key, Trayanum, Maclin, Kattus, Brown-Stephens. Rows list receiving stats for various games.



GAME-BY-GAME PASSING

(Cmp-Att-Int-Yds-TD)	Vandagriff	Wimsatt
SOUTHERN MISS	12-18-1-169-3	0-0-0-0-0
SOUTH CAROLINA		
GEORGIA		
OHIO		
at Ole Miss		
VANDERBILT		
at Florida		
AUBURN		
at Tennessee		
MURRAY STATE		
at Texas		
LOUISVILLE		

GAME-BY-GAME PUNTING

(No-Yds-Avg-LG-In20)	Berry
SOUTHERN MISS	1-37-37.0-37-1
SOUTH CAROLINA	
GEORGIA	
OHIO	
at Ole Miss	
VANDERBILT	
at Florida	
AUBURN	
at Tennessee	
MURRAY STATE	
at Texas	
LOUISVILLE	

GAME-BY-GAME FG

FG Made (Miss)	Raynor
SOUTHERN MISS	1 (0)
SOUTH CAROLINA	
GEORGIA	
OHIO	
at Ole Miss	
VANDERBILT	
at Florida	
AUBURN	
at Tennessee	
MURRAY STATE	
at Texas	
LOUISVILLE	

GAME-BY GAME DEFENSIVE LINE (Tackles-Tackles For Loss-Sacks)

Game	Gilbert	Oxendine	Silver	Rybka	Saunders	Walker	Henry-Young
SOUTHERN MISS	1-0.5-0	0-0-0	2-0-0	2-1-1	2-0.5-0	0-0-0	INJ
SOUTH CAROLINA							
GEORGIA							
OHIO							
at Ole Miss							
VANDERBILT							
at Florida							
AUBURN							
at Tennessee							
MURRAY STATE							
at Texas							
LOUISVILLE							

GAME-BY GAME LINEBACKERS (Tackles-Tackles For Loss-Sacks-Pass Breakups)

Game	D. Jackson	D. Rayner	Dumas-Johnson	Afari	Fearbry	Weaver	Matthews
SOUTHERN MISS	3-0-0-1	2-0-0-0	2-0-0-INT	2-2-0-1	0-0-0-0	3-1-1-0	0-0-0-0
SOUTH CAROLINA							
GEORGIA							
OHIO							
at Ole Miss							
VANDERBILT							
at Florida							
AUBURN							
at Tennessee							
MURRAY STATE							
at Texas							
LOUISVILLE							

GAME-BY GAME DEFENSIVE BACKS (Tackles-Pass Breakups-Int.)

Game	Dunn	Hardaway	Childress	Waller Jr.	Hairston	Lovett	Story	T. Bryant	Addison
SOUTHERN MISS	2-0-0	2-0-1	4-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-0	0-0-0
SOUTH CAROLINA									
GEORGIA									
OHIO									
at Ole Miss									
VANDERBILT									
at Florida									
AUBURN									
at Tennessee									
MURRAY STATE									
at Texas									
LOUISVILLE									



2024 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

TURNOVERS

Opponent	FORCED BY KENTUCKY					FORCED BY OPPONENT			
	Fum	Int	Tot	Margin	UK Pts Off	Fum	Int	Tot	Opp Pts Off
SOUTHERN MISS	0	2	2	+1	7	0	1	1	0
SOUTH CAROLINA									
GEORGIA									
OHIO									
at Ole Miss									
VANDERBILT									
at Florida									
AUBURN									
at Tennessee									
MURRAY STATE									
at Texas									
LOUISVILLE									
TOTALS	0	2	2	+1	7	0	1	1	0

KENTUCKY BIG PLAYS

Opponent	RUSHING					PASSING				SPECIAL TEAMS	
	15+	20+	30+	40+	50+	20+	30+	40+	50+	Block	Return for TD
SOUTHERN MISS	1	1	0	0	0	4	2	1	0	0	0
SOUTH CAROLINA											
GEORGIA											
OHIO											
at Ole Miss											
VANDERBILT											
at Florida											
AUBURN											
at Tennessee											
MURRAY STATE											
at Texas											
LOUISVILLE											
TOTALS	1	1	0	0	0	4	2	1	0	0	0

OPPONENT BIG PLAYS

Opponent	RUSHING					PASSING				SPECIAL TEAMS	
	15+	20+	30+	40+	50+	20+	30+	40+	50+	Block	Return for TD
SOUTHERN MISS	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0
SOUTH CAROLINA											
GEORGIA											
OHIO											
at Ole Miss											
VANDERBILT											
at Florida											
AUBURN											
at Tennessee											
MURRAY STATE											
at Texas											
LOUISVILLE											
TOTALS	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0

DRIVE CHART STATISTICS

Opponent	No.	Avg Plays	Avg Yds	For TD	Avg Plays	Avg Yds
SOUTHERN MISS	7	6.0	45.3	4	6.8	61.2
SOUTH CAROLINA						
GEORGIA						
OHIO						
at Ole Miss						
VANDERBILT						
at Florida						
AUBURN						
at Tennessee						
MURRAY STATE						
at Texas						
LOUISVILLE						





2024 EXPLOSIVE PLAYS

RUNS 15+

Sumo-Karnbaye

22 yards

1 rush, 22 yards, 22.0 avg., 0 TD

Total: 1 rush, 22 yards, 22.0 avg., 0 TD

RECEIVING 20+

Key

35 yards

21 yards

2 rec., 56 yards, 28.0 avg., 0 TD

Maclin

20 yards

46 yards

2 rec., 66 yards, 33.0 avg., 0 TD

Total: 4 rec. for 122 yards, 30.5 avg., 0 TD

KICK RETURNS 30+

Total: 0 returns

PUNT RETURNS 20+

Total: 0 returns

DEFENSIVE RETURNS 20+

Total: 0 returns

UK LONG PLAYS (20+) BY THE NUMBERS

20+ Plays By Yards	No.	TD
100+	0	0
90-99	0	0
80-89	0	0
70-79	0	0
60-69	0	0
50-59	0	0
40-49	1	0
30-39	1	0
20-29	2	0
TOTAL	4	0

20+ Plays By Type	No.	TD
Rushing	1	0
Passing	4	0
Punt returns	0	0
Kick returns (30+)	0	0
Interceptions	0	0
Fumble returns	0	0
TOTAL	5	0

OPPONENT BIG PLAYS

Total:

Run (15+)	0 for 0 yds
Receiving (20+)	3 for 84 yds
Kick Returns (30+)	0 for 0 yds
Punt Returns (20+)	0 for 0 yds
Defensive Returns (20+)	0 for 0 yds
TOTAL: 3 for 84 yards (28.0 avg.)	

2024 GAME REVIEWS

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KENTUCKY 31, SOUTHERN MISS 0

AUG. 31, 2024 • LEXINGTON, KY.
KROGER FIELD (61,627)



Brock Vandagriff passed for three touchdowns and the Kentucky defense was stout all night as the Cats beat Southern Miss 31-0 in a weather-shortened season opener at Kroger Field.

Vandagriff, making his first career start, connected on 12 of 18 passing for 169 yards and those three scores. Demie Sumo-Karngbaye rushed eight times for 59 yards and a score. The UK defense held Southern Miss to just 131 yards and no points.

Kentucky took the opening kickoff and, after a good return by freshman Willie Rodriguez, the Cats started at their own 48 yard line. The Cats would drive deep into Southern Miss territory before Vandagriff's pass intended for Ja'Mori Maclin was tipped and intercepted by the Golden Eagles' Dylan Lawrence at the USM 15.

On the second play of the Southern Miss drive, UK linebacker Jamon Dumas-Johnson intercepted a Tate Rodemaker pass and the Cats took over at their own 41.

Kentucky would get on the board on the ensuing drive. Big plays by Maclin, Sumo-Karngbaye and Vandagriff propelled the offense down the field. UK covered 59 yards in 10 plays, ending with a 12-yard touchdown pass from Vandagriff to Barion Brown. Alex Raynor added the point after and the Cats led 7-0 with 6:03 remaining in the first quarter.

On the next possession, it appeared that the Cats were going to force a Southern Miss punt but a Rodemaker pass to Kyrin Heath went for a 34-yard gain and the Golden Eagles were near midfield with a new set of downs. The USM drive would continue into the red zone as the first quarter came to a close with the Cats leading 7-0.

As the second quarter started, the Golden Eagles appeared ready to tie the game. But Rodemaker's pass was tipped by D'Eryk Jackson and intercepted by J.Q. Hardaway in the end zone, ending the threat.

The Cats would go to Sumo-Karngbaye on the next drive, and he would deliver. Rushes of 10, 22 and three yards got the Cats into Southern Miss territory. However, the drive would stall and the Cats would be forced to punt.

A Wilson Berry punt pinned Southern Miss inside their own 10, and the UK defense forced a three-and-out on the following possession. The Cats would get excellent field possession after a 23-yard USM punt.

Kentucky started its drive from the USM 36 yard line, but the Cats were not able to get a first down. UK would add to its lead when Raynor converted a 41-yard field goal, giving Kentucky a 10-0 advantage with 7:45 left in the first half.

The Kentucky defense would force another three-and-out on the next Southern Miss possession, with a Tre'vonn Rybka sack on third down forcing another change in possession.

UK took over at its own 25 yard line and Vandagriff connected with Dane Key for a 35-yard strike across the middle, getting the Cats into Southern Miss territory. The Cats then got three solid runs from Jamarion Wilcox (10 yards) and Jason Patterson (12 and 11 yards). The Cats would finish the drive with a one-yard touchdown rush from Sumo-Karngbaye. The Raynor PAT made it 17-0 with 3:07 to play in the half.

The Cats' defense forced another three-and-out on the next USM possession. On fourth down, the Golden Eagles attempted a fake punt, but UK's Cam Dooley sniffed it out, made the tackle and the Cats took over at the Southern Miss 29 with 1:52 left in the half.

UK would take advantage of the good field possession, covering 29 yards in just three plays, ending with a 12-yard touchdown pass from Vandagriff to Brown. Raynor made another PAT and the Cats led 24-0 with 31 seconds left in the half. That would be the halftime score.

Southern Miss got the first possession of the third quarter and the Golden Eagles promptly marched into UK territory. However, the UK defense again stopped the drive and forced another USM punt.

Kentucky would mount another scoring drive on its next possession. A Vandagriff to Maclin pass for 46 yards set the Cats up at the Southern Miss eight yard line. Two plays later, Vandagriff connected with tight end Jordan Dingle for a five-yard scoring pass. When Raynor added the point after, Kentucky led 31-0 with 9:56 left in the third quarter.

At that point, the game was delayed, and ultimately stopped, due to lightning in the area.

SCORING SUMMARY

Southern Miss	0	0	0	0	-	0
Kentucky	7	17	7	0	-	31

1st 06:03 UK - #7 B.Brown 12 yd pass from #12 B.Vandagriff (#16 A.Raynor kick), 10-59, 05:54 0-7
 2nd 07:45 UK - #16 A.Raynor 41 yd FG, 4-9, 02:01 0-10
 2nd 03:07 UK - #0 D.Sumo-Karngbaye 1 yd rush (#16 A.Raynor kick), 7-75, 02:59 0-17
 2nd 00:31 UK - #7 B.Brown 12 yd pass from #12 B.Vandagriff (#16 A.Raynor kick), 3-29, 01:21 0-24
 3rd 00:00 UK - #85 J.Dingle 5 yd pass from #12 B.Vandagriff (#16 A.Raynor kick), 7-84, 12:54 0-31

TEAM STATISTICS

	GOLDEN EAGLES	CATS
First Downs	7	19
Rush Att./Net Rush	12/24	24/150
Passing C/A/I	13/19/2	12/18/1
Offensive Plays	31	42
Total Offense	131	317
Fumbles/Lost	0/0	0/0
Penalties/Yards	4/20	4/45
Punts/Average	3/37.0	1/37.0
Third-Down Conv.	3 of 8	3 of 5
Time of Possession	15:04	29:56

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING (ATT.-YD.-TD)

SOUTHERN MISS - Crawford 3-10, Clay 1-7, Clark 6-3, Rodemaker 2 (-15)
 UK - Sumo-Karngbaye 8-59-1, Vandagriff 5-35, Patterson 4-28, B. Brown 3-14, Wilcox 2-8, Farrier 1-3, Maclin 1-1

PASSING (COMP-ATT-INT-YARDS-TD)

SOUTHERN MISS - Rodemaker 13-19-2-126-0
 UK - Vandagriff 12-18-1-169-3

RECEIVING (REC-YARDS-TD)

SOUTHERN MISS - Jackson 3-42, Dalton 3-30-2, Clark 2-8, Mims 2 (-3), Heath 1-34, Simmons 1-9, Gray 1-6
 UK - Brown 4-28, Key 3-60, Maclin 2-66, Dingle 2-3-1, Farrier 2-12

TACKLES

SOUTHERN MISS - Lawrence 6, McNeal 4, James 4, Jones 4, Baker 4
 UK - Childress 4, Jackson 3, Weaver 3



**2024-25 Kentucky Football
Team Game Highs
All games**

Kentucky - Game Highs

RUSHES	24	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS RUSHING	148	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PER RUSH	6.2	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TD RUSHES	1	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PASS ATTEMPTS	18	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PASS COMPLETIONS	12	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PASSING	169	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PER PASS	9.4	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TD PASSES	3	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TOTAL PLAYS	42	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TOTAL OFFENSE	317	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PER PLAY	7.5	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
POINTS	31	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
SACKS BY	2	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
FIRST DOWNS	19	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PENALTIES	4	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PENALTY YARDS	45	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TURNOVERS	1	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PUNTS	1	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PUNTING AVG	37.0	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
LONG PUNT	37	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	1	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
LONG PUNT RETURN	5	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)



2024-25 Kentucky Football
Opponent Match Highs
All games

Opponent - Game Highs

RUSHES	12	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS RUSHING	5	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PER RUSH	0.4	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TD RUSHES	0	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PASS ATTEMPTS	19	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PASS COMPLETIONS	13	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PASSING	126	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PER PASS	6.6	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TD PASSES	0	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TOTAL PLAYS	31	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TOTAL OFFENSE	131	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PER PLAY	4.2	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
POINTS	0	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
SACKS BY	0	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
FIRST DOWNS	7	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PENALTIES	4	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PENALTY YARDS	20	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TURNOVERS	2	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PUNTS	3	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PUNTING AVG	37.0	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
LONG PUNT	52	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	1	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
LONG PUNT RETURN	0	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)



2024-25 Kentucky Football
Team Match Lows
All games

Kentucky - Game Lows

RUSHES	24	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS RUSHING	148	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PER RUSH	6.2	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TD RUSHES	1	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PASS ATTEMPTS	18	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PASS COMPLETIONS	12	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PASSING	169	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PER PASS	9.4	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
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TOTAL PLAYS	42	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TOTAL OFFENSE	317	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PER PLAY	7.5	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
POINTS	31	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
SACKS BY	2	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
FIRST DOWNS	19	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PENALTIES	4	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PENALTY YARDS	45	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
INTERCEPTIONS BY	2	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PUNTS	1	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PUNTING AVG	37.0	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
LONG PUNT	37	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	1	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
LONG PUNT RETURN	5	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)



2024-25 Kentucky Football
Opponent Match Lows
All games

Opponent - Game Lows

RUSHES	12	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS RUSHING	5	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PER RUSH	0.4	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TD RUSHES	0	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PASS ATTEMPTS	19	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PASS COMPLETIONS	13	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PASSING	126	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PER PASS	6.6	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TD PASSES	0	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TOTAL PLAYS	31	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TOTAL OFFENSE	131	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PER PLAY	4.2	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
POINTS	0	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
SACKS BY	0	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
FIRST DOWNS	7	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PENALTIES	4	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PENALTY YARDS	20	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
INTERCEPTIONS BY	1	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PUNTS	3	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PUNTING AVG	37.0	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
LONG PUNT	52	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	1	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
LONG PUNT RETURN	0	Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)



2024-25 Kentucky Football
Individual Game Highs
All games

Kentucky - Individual Game Highs

RUSHES	8	Demie Sumo-Karngbaye vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS RUSHING	59	Demie Sumo-Karngbaye vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TD RUSHES	1	Demie Sumo-Karngbaye vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
LONG RUSH	22	Demie Sumo-Karngbaye vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PASS ATTEMPTS	18	Brock Vandagriff vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PASS COMPLETIONS	12	Brock Vandagriff vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PASSING	169	Brock Vandagriff vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TD PASSES	3	Brock Vandagriff vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
LONG PASS	46	Brock Vandagriff vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
RECEPTIONS	4	Barion Brown vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS RECEIVING	66	Ja'Mori Maclin vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TD RECEPTIONS	2	Barion Brown vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
LONG RECEPTION	46	Ja'Mori Maclin vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PUNTS	1	Wilson Berry vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PUNTING AVG	37.0	Wilson Berry vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
LONG PUNT	37	Wilson Berry vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	1	Wilson Berry vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
LONG PUNT RETURN	5	Ja'Mori Maclin vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
LONG KICKOFF RETURN	20	Willie Rodriguez vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TACKLES	4	Zion Childress vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
SACKS	1	J.J. Weaver vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
	1	Tre'vonn Rybka vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TACKLES FOR LOSS	2	Alex Afari Jr. vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)



2024-25 Kentucky Football
Opponent Individual Match Highs
All games

Opponent - Individual Game Highs

RUSHES	6	Rodrigues Clark vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS RUSHING	10	Ethan Crawford vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TD RUSHES	none	
LONG RUSH	7	Kenyon Clay vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PASS ATTEMPTS	19	Tate Rodemaker vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PASS COMPLETIONS	13	Tate Rodemaker vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS PASSING	126	Tate Rodemaker vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TD PASSES	none	
LONG PASS	34	Tate Rodemaker vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
RECEPTIONS	3	Dannis Jackson vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
	3	Davis Dalton vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
YARDS RECEIVING	42	Dannis Jackson vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TD RECEPTIONS	none	
LONG RECEPTION	34	Kyirin Heath vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
FIELD GOALS	none	
LONG FIELD GOALS	none	
PUNTS	3	Bryce Lofton vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PUNTING AVG	37.0	Bryce Lofton vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
LONG PUNT	52	Bryce Lofton vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	1	Bryce Lofton vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
LONG PUNT RETURN	none	
LONG KICKOFF RETURN	17	JQ Gray vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
TACKLES	6	Dylan Lawrence vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
SACKS	none	
TACKLES FOR LOSS	1	Jalil Clemons vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)
INTERCEPTIONS	1	Dylan Lawrence vs Southern Miss. (08/31/2024)



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Rushing

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Demie Sumo-Karngbaye	1	8	59	0	59	7.4	1	22	59.0
Brock Vandagriff	1	5	35	0	35	7.0	0	14	35.0
Jason Patterson	1	4	28	0	28	7.0	0	12	28.0
Barion Brown	1	3	14	0	14	4.7	0	10	14.0
Jamarion Wilcox	1	2	10	2	8	4.0	0	10	8.0
Fred Farrier II	1	1	3	0	3	3.0	0	3	3.0
Ja'Mori Maclin	1	1	1	0	1	1.0	0	1	1.0
Total	1	24	150	2	148	6.2	1	22	148.0
Opponents	1	12	24	19	5	0.4	0	7	5.0

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Ja'Mori Maclin	1	5	5.0	0	5
Total	1	5	5.0	0	5
Opponents	0	0	0.0	0	0

Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Jamon Dumas-Johnson	1	-5	-5.0	0	0
JQ Hardaway	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	2	-5	-2.5	0	0
Opponents	1	0	0.0	0	0

Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Brock Vandagriff	1	189.4	12-18-1	66.7	169	3	46	169.0
Total	1	189.4	12-18-1	66.7	169	3	46	169.0
Opponents	1	103.1	13-19-2	68.4	126	0	34	126.0

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Willie Rodriguez	1	20	20.0	0	20
Total	1	20	20.0	0	20
Opponents	2	30	15.0	0	17

Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Barion Brown	1	4	28	7.0	2	12	28.0
Dane Key	1	3	60	20.0	0	35	60.0
Ja'Mori Maclin	1	2	66	33.0	0	46	66.0
Jordan Dingle	1	2	3	1.5	1	5	3.0
Fred Farrier II	1	1	12	12.0	0	12	12.0
Total	1	12	169	14.1	3	46	169.0
Opponents	1	13	126	9.7	0	34	126.0

Fumble Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Total	0	0	0.0	0	0
Opponents	0	0	0.0	0	0

Scoring

Player	td	fg	PAT					dpx	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass	pass			
Barion Brown	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	
Alex Raynor	-	1-1	4-4	-	-	-	-	-	7	
Demie Sumo-Karngbaye	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Jordan Dingle	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Total	4	1-1	4-4	0	0	0	0	0	31	
Opponents	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Brock Vandagriff	1	23	35	169	204	204.0
Demie Sumo-Karngbaye	1	8	59	0	59	59.0
Jason Patterson	1	4	28	0	28	28.0
Barion Brown	1	3	14	0	14	14.0
Jamarion Wilcox	1	2	8	0	8	8.0
Fred Farrier II	1	1	3	0	3	3.0
Ja'Mori Maclin	1	1	1	0	1	1.0
Total	1	42	148	169	317	317.0
Opponents	1	31	5	126	131	131.0

Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Alex Raynor	1-1	100.0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-0	41	0
Opponents	0-0	0.0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0

FG Sequence

Team Name	Kentucky	Opponents
Southern Miss.	(41)	

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made

Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Wilson Berry	1	37	37.0	37	0	0	1	0	0
Total	1	37	37.0	37	0	0	1	0	0
Opponents	3	111	37.0	52	0	0	1	1	0

Kickoffs

Player	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydl
Aidan Laros	5	320	64.0	3	0			
Total	5	320	64.0	3	0	2	43	22
Opponents	1	37	37.0	0	0	1	17	48



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All games

Team Results

Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
08/31/2024	Southern Miss.	W	31-0	61627

Rushing

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Demie Sumo-Karngbaye	1	8	59	0	59	7.4	1	22	59.0
Brock Vandagriff	1	5	35	0	35	7.0	0	14	35.0
Jason Patterson	1	4	28	0	28	7.0	0	12	28.0
Barion Brown	1	3	14	0	14	4.7	0	10	14.0
Jamarion Wilcox	1	2	10	2	8	4.0	0	10	8.0
Fred Farrier II	1	1	3	0	3	3.0	0	3	3.0
Ja'Mori Maclin	1	1	1	0	1	1.0	0	1	1.0
Total	1	24	150	2	148	6.2	1	22	148.0
Opponents	1	12	24	19	5	0.4	0	7	5.0

Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Brock Vandagriff	1	189.4	12-18-1	66.7	169	3	46	169.0
Total	1	189.4	12-18-1	66.7	169	3	46	169.0
Opponents	1	103.1	13-19-2	68.4	126	0	34	126.0

Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Barion Brown	1	4	28	7.0	2	12	28.0
Dane Key	1	3	60	20.0	0	35	60.0
Ja'Mori Maclin	1	2	66	33.0	0	46	66.0
Jordan Dingle	1	2	3	1.5	1	5	3.0
Fred Farrier II	1	1	12	12.0	0	12	12.0
Total	1	12	169	14.1	3	46	169.0
Opponents	1	13	126	9.7	0	34	126.0

Game Records

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES	1-0	1-0	0-0	0-0
CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	1-0	1-0	0-0	0-0

Team Statistics

	UK	OPP
First Downs	19	7
Rushing	10	1
Passing	7	5
Penalty	2	1
Rushing Yardage	148	5
Rushing attempts	24	12
Average per rush	6.2	0.4
Average per game	148.0	5.0
TDs Rushing	1	0
Passing Yardage	169	126
Comp-Att-Int	12-18-1	13-19-2
Average per pass	9.4	6.6
Average per catch	14.1	9.7
Average per game	169.0	126.0
TDs Passing	3	0
Total offense	317	131
Average per play	7.5	4.2
Average per game	317.0	131.0
Kick returns: #-Yards	1-20	2-30
Punt returns: #-Yards	1-5	0-0
Int returns: #-Yards	2--5	1-0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	4-45	4-20
Punts-Avg	1-37.0	3-37.0
Time of possession / game	29:56	15:04
3rd-down conversion	3/5	3/8
4rd-down conversion	0/0	0/1
PAT-attempts	(4-4) 100%	(0-0) 0%
2-point conversion-attempts	(0-0) 0%	(0-0) 0%

Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Jamon Dumas-Johnson	1	-5	-5.0	0	0
JQ Hardaway	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	2	-5	-2.5	0	0
Opponents	1	0	0.0	0	0



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Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Alex Raynor	1-1	100.0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-0	41	0
Opponents	0-0	0.0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0

Scoring

Player	td	fg	PAT					dpx	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass				
Barion Brown	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Alex Raynor	-	1-1	4-4	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
Demie Sumo-Karngbaye	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Jordan Dingle	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	4	1-1	4-4	0	0	0	0	0	0	31
Opponents	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
Kentucky	7	17	7	0	0	31
Opponents	0	0	0	0	0	0

Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Wilson Berry	1	37	37.0	37	0	0	1	0	0
Total	1	37	37.0	37	0	0	1	0	0
Opponents	3	111	37.0	52	0	0	1	1	0

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Ja'Mori Maclin	1	5	5.0	0	5
Total	1	5	5.0	0	5
Opponents	0	0	0.0	0	0

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Willie Rodriguez	1	20	20.0	0	20
Total	1	20	20.0	0	20
Opponents	2	30	15.0	0	17

All Purpose

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Ja'Mori Maclin	1	1	66	5	0	0	72	72.0
Dane Key	1	0	60	0	0	0	60	60.0
Demie Sumo-Karngbaye	1	59	0	0	0	0	59	59.0
Barion Brown	1	14	28	0	0	0	42	42.0
Brock Vandagriff	1	35	0	0	0	0	35	35.0
Jason Patterson	1	28	0	0	0	0	28	28.0
Willie Rodriguez	1	0	0	0	20	0	20	20.0
Fred Farrier II	1	3	12	0	0	0	15	15.0
Jamarion Wilcox	1	8	0	0	0	0	8	8.0
Jordan Dingle	1	0	3	0	0	0	3	3.0
Jamon Dumas-Johnson	1	0	0	0	0	-5	-5	-5.0
Total	1	148	169	5	20	-5	337	337.0
Opponents	1	5	126	0	30	0	161	161.0

Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Brock Vandagriff	1	23	35	169	204	204.0
Demie Sumo-Karngbaye	1	8	59	0	59	59.0
Jason Patterson	1	4	28	0	28	28.0
Barion Brown	1	3	14	0	14	14.0
Jamarion Wilcox	1	2	8	0	8	8.0
Fred Farrier II	1	1	3	0	3	3.0
Ja'Mori Maclin	1	1	1	0	1	1.0
Total	1	42	148	169	317	317.0
Opponents	1	31	5	126	131	131.0



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 Combined Team Statistics
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Team Defense

##	Player	gp	Tackles				Sacks	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot	tfl/yds		no-yds	int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick
11	Zion Childress	1	4	.	4	1-2	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
13	J.J. Weaver	1	1	2	3	1-7	1-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
54	D'Eryk Jackson	1	2	1	3	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
90	Tre'vonn Rybka	1	2	.	2	1-8	1-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
17	Daveren Rayner	1	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
9	Keeshawn Silver	1	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
25	Jordan Lovett	1	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
92	Kahlil Saunders	1	.	2	2	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
2	Jamon Dumas-Johnson	1	2	.	2	.	.	1--5	.	1	.	.	.	.
10	Jantzen Dunn	1	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	Alex Afari Jr.	1	2	.	2	2-2	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
6	JQ Hardaway	1	1	1	2	.	.	1-0	.	.	.	.	.	.
18	Cam Dooley	1	2	.	2	1-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
14	Ty Bryant	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
99	Kendrick Gilbert	1	.	1	1	0.5-0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Totals		1	20	12	32	7-22	2-15	2--5	2	2	0-0	0	0	0
Opponents		1	22	20	42	2-4	0-0	1-0	2	3	0-0	0	0	0



2024-25 Kentucky Football
Red-Zone Results
All games

Kentucky Inside Opponent Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times In RZ	Times Scored	Total Pts	Total TDs	Rush TDs	Pass TDs	FGs Made	Failed to score inside RZ					
										FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
08/31/2024	Southern Miss.	W 31-0	5	4	28	4	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Totals 4 of 5 (80.0%)			5	4	28	4	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0

Opponents Inside Kentucky Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times In RZ	Times Scored	Total Pts	Total TDs	Rush TDs	Pass TDs	FGs Made	Failed to score inside RZ					
										FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
08/31/2024	Southern Miss.	W 31-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Totals 0 of 1 (0.0%)			1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0



2024-25 Kentucky Football
By Quarter Statistics
All games

3rd-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
08/31/2024	Southern Miss.	W 31-0	3-5 60.0	2-2 100.0	0-2 0.0	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0
Kentucky			3-5 60.0	2-2 100.0	0-2 0.0	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0
Opponents			3-8 37.5	3-3 100.0	0-4 0.0	0-1 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0

4th-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
08/31/2024	Southern Miss.	W 31-0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0
Kentucky			0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0
Opponents			0-1 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-1 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0

Time of Possession

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
08/31/2024	Southern Miss.	W 31-0	29:56	08:30	08:32	12:54	00:00	00:00
Kentucky			Total	08:30	08:32	12:54	00:00	00:00
			Avg.	08:30	08:32	12:54	00:00	00:00
Opponents			Total	00:34	12:24	02:06	00:00	00:00
			Avg.	00:34	12:24	02:06	00:00	00:00



**2024-25 Kentucky Football
Team Game-by-Game Comparison
All games**

Opponent	Score	First Downs				Rushing Number-Yards	Passing		Total Offense Plays-Yards	Return Yards	Turn- Overs
		Total	Rush	Pass	Pen		Comp-Att.-Int	Yards			
Southern Miss.	31-0	19 / 7	10 / 1	7 / 5	2 / 1	24-148 / 12-5	12-18-1 / 13-19-2	169 / 126	42-317 / 31-131	20 / 30	1 / 2
Totals	31-0	19 / 7	10 / 1	7 / 5	2 / 1	24-148 / 12-5	12-18-1 / 13-19-2	169 / 126	42-317 / 31-131	20 / 30	1 / 2

Opponents	3rd Down Conversion	4th Down Conversion	Time of Possession	TOP Margin	Avg Yds/Rush	Avg Yds/Pass	Avg Yds/Play	Punting Number-Avg	Penalties Number-Yards	Sacks
Southern Miss.	3-5 / 3-8	0-0 / 0-1	29:56 / 15:04	14:52	6.2 / 0.4	9.4 / 6.6	7.5 / 4.2	1-37.0 / 3-37.0	4-45.0 / 4-20.0	2 / 0
Totals	3-5 / 3-8	0-0 / 0-1	29:56 / 15:04	14:52	6.2 / 0.4	9.4 / 6.6	7.5 / 4.2	1-37.0 / 3-37.0	4-45.0 / 4-20.0	2 / 0

Note: Game totals are displayed in the format TEAM/OPPONENT for each category



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Games Played
All games

##	Player	GP-GS	USM
0	Demie Sumo-Karngbaye	1/1	START
0	Deone Walker	1/1	START
1	Maxwell Hairston	1/1	START
2	Jamon Dumas-Johnson	1/1	START
2	Gavin Wimsatt	0/0	...
3	Alex Afari Jr.	1/0	XXX
4	Kristian Story	1/0	XXX
4	DeaMonte Trayanum	0/0	...
5	DJ Waller	0/0	...
5	Anthony Brown-Stephens	1/0	XXX
6	Dane Key	1/1	START
6	JQ Hardaway	1/1	START
7	Barion Brown	1/1	START
8	Octavious Oxendine	1/0	XXX
8	Cutter Boley	0/0	...
9	Ja'Mori Maclin	1/1	START
9	Keeshawn Silver	1/1	START
10	Jantzen Dunn	1/0	XXX
10	Jamarion Wilcox	1/0	XXX
11	Beau Allen	0/0	...
11	Zion Childress	1/1	START
12	Brock Vandagriff	1/1	START
12	Quay'sheed Scott	1/0	XXX
13	J.J. Weaver	1/1	START
13	Fred Farrier II	1/0	XXX
14	Ty Bryant	1/1	START
15	Khamari Anderson	1/0	XXX
16	Alex Raynor	1/0	XXX
16	Jacob Smith	0/0	...
17	Daveren Rayner	1/0	XXX
17	Hardley Gilmore IV	0/0	...
18	Brandon White	0/0	...
18	Cam Dooley	1/0	XXX
20	Terhyon Nichols	0/0	...
21	Nasir Addison	1/0	XXX
21	Santos Alvarez	0/0	...
22	Grant Godfrey	0/0	...
23	Brian Robinson	0/0	...
24	Jaden Smith	0/0	...
25	Jordan Lovett	1/1	START
26	Jason Patterson	1/0	XXX
27	Max DeGraff	0/0	...
27	Quavo Marshall	0/0	...
28	Tovani Mizell	0/0	...
29	Jackson Schulz	0/0	...
30	Avery Stuart	0/0	...
31	Quintavion Norman	0/0	...
32	Devin Smith	0/0	...
33	Carson Wright	0/0	...
33	Rico Crowder	0/0	...
34	Trey Dennis	0/0	...
34	Jayvent Brown	0/0	...
35	Jake Krekeler	0/0	...
35	Steven Soles Jr.	1/0	XXX
36	Chy Rivers	0/0	...
36	Andrew Weber	0/0	...
37	Spencer Leadbetter	0/0	...
37	Sage Dawson	0/0	...
38	Henry Bennett	0/0	...
39	Josh Terrell	0/0	...



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Games Played
All games

##	Player	GP-GS	USM
39	Troy Booker	0/0	...
40	Caleb Redd	0/0	...
42	Tyreese Fearbry	0/0	...
42	Alex McLaughlin	1/0	XXX
43	Landon Marcum	0/0	...
44	Justin Kattus	0/0	...
44	Antwan Smith	1/0	XXX
45	Jase Bruner	0/0	...
45	Darius Cannon	0/0	...
46	Rushaune Vilane	0/0	...
47	Jarard Mosely	0/0	...
48	Aidan Laros	1/0	XXX
50	Darrion Henry-Young	0/0	...
50	Koby Keenum	0/0	...
51	Daniel Mincey	0/0	...
52	Jalen Farmer	1/1	START
53	Hayden Dawahare	0/0	...
53	Aba Selm	0/0	...
54	D'Eryk Jackson	1/1	START
54	Gerald Mincey	1/1	START
55	Noah Matthews	1/0	XXX
55	Marc Nave Jr.	0/0	...
56	Walker Himebauch	0/0	...
58	Lucas Padgett	0/0	...
59	Lincoln Billiter	0/0	...
62	Jager Burton	1/1	START
63	Kyle Mixon	0/0	...
64	Jackson Bunn	0/0	...
66	Tino Merlo	0/0	...
68	Charlie Lush	0/0	...
69	Marques Cox	1/1	START
70	Ben Christman	1/0	XXX
71	Malachi Wood	1/0	XXX
72	Hayes Johnson	0/0	...
73	Dylan Ray	1/0	XXX
74	Courtland Ford	0/0	...
75	Eli Cox	1/1	START
76	Austin Ramsey	0/0	...
77	Trent Baker	0/0	...
78	Anfernee Crease	0/0	...
79	Dennious Jackson	0/0	...
81	Willie Rodriguez	1/0	XXX
82	David Washington Jr.	1/0	XXX
83	Jack Monday	0/0	...
84	Josh Kattus	0/0	...
85	Jordan Dingle	1/1	START
86	Ethan Gregory	0/0	...
88	Tanner Lemaster	0/0	...
90	Tre'vonn Rybka	1/1	START
91	Jacob Kauwe	0/0	...
92	Kahlil Saunders	1/0	XXX
93	Wilson Berry	1/0	XXX
94	Tavion Gadson	0/0	...
95	Jerod Smith II	0/0	...
96	Tommy Ziesmer	0/0	...
97	Josaih Hayes	0/0	...
98	Kenyatta Hardge II	0/0	...
99	Kendrick Gilbert	1/0	XXX



2024 DEPTH CHART

OFFENSE (WEEK 2)

Left Tackle

69 Marques Cox, 6-5, 318, Sr-1L, Peoria, Ill. (Northern Illinois/Peoria)
71 Malachi Wood, 6-8, 320, Fr-RS, Richmond, Ky. (Madison Central)

Left Guard

62 Jager Burton, 6-4, 316, Jr-2L, Lexington, Ky. (Frederick Douglass)
53 Aba Selm, 6-4, 303, Fr-HS, Independence, Ky. (Simon Kenton)

Center

75 Eli Cox, 6-4, 309, Sr-4L, Nicholasville, Ky. (West Jessamine)
50 Koby Keenum, 6-4, 302, Fr-RS, Florence, Ala. (Mars Hill Bible School)

Right Guard

52 Jalen Farmer, 6-5, 314, So-Tr, Covington, Ga. (Florida/Eastside)
73 Dylan Ray, 6-6, 310, Jr-1L, Noblesville, Ind. (West Virginia/Noblesville)

Right Tackle

54 Gerald Mincey, 6-6, 335, Sr-Tr, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Tennessee/Florida/Cardinal Gibbons)
78 Anfernee Crease, 6-6, 315, So-Tr, Tomball, Texas (Navarro College/Tomball Memorial)

Wide Receiver (F)

9 Ja'Mori Maclin, 5-11, 190, Jr-Tr, Kirkwood, Mo. (North Texas/Missouri/Kirkwood)
5 Anthony Brown-Stephens, 5-10, 176, So-1L, Springfield, Ohio (Springfield)

Wide Receiver (X)

7 Barion Brown, WR, 6-1, 182, Jr-2L, Nashville, Tenn. (Pearl-Cohn)
13 Fred Farrier II, 6-1, 182, Jr-Tr, Frankfort, Ky. (UAB/Franklin County)

Wide Receiver (Z)

6 Dane Key, 6-3, 210, Jr-2L, Lexington, Ky. (Frederick Douglass)
13 Fred Farrier II, 6-1, 182, Jr-Tr, Frankfort, Ky. (UAB/Franklin County)

Tight End (Y)

84 Josh Kattus, 6-4, 246, Jr-2L, Cincinnati, Ohio (Archbishop Moeller)
81 Willie Rodriguez, 6-4, 245, Fr-HS, Taylor Mill, Ky. (Covington Catholic)

Tight End (F)

85 Jordan Dingle, 6-4, 238, So-1L, Bowling Green, Ky. (Bowling Green HS)
15 Khamari Anderson, 6-5, 252, So-1L, Detroit, Mich. (Cass Tech)

Quarterback

12 Brock Vandagriff, 6-3, 217, Jr-Tr, Bogart, Ga. (Georgia/Prince Avenue Christian)
2 Gavin Wimsatt, 6-3, 227, Jr-Tr, Owensboro, Ky. (Rutgers/Owensboro)
or 8 Cutter Boley, 6-5, 214, Fr-HS, Hodgenville, Ky. (Lexington Christian)

Running Back

0 Demie Sumo-Karngbaye, 6-0, 210, Sr-1L, Willingboro, N.J. (NC State/Willingboro)
26 Jason Patterson, 5-10, 206, Fr-HS, Sneads, Fla. (Sneads)

SPECIALISTS (WEEK 2)

Kicker

16 Alex Raynor, 6-0, 185, Sr-1L, Kennesaw, Ga. (Georgia Southern/Harrison)
91 Jacob Kauwe, 6-1, 206, Fr-HS, Billings, Mont. (Billings West)

Kickoff

48 Aidan Laros, 6-2, 212, Jr-Tr, Cape Town, South Africa (UT Martin/Charlotte/Northwood)
91 Jacob Kauwe, 6-1, 206, Fr-HS, Billings, Mont. (Billings West)

Punter

93 Wilson Berry, 6-4, 217, Jr-1L, Maribyrnong, Australia (Maribyrnong College)
or 48 Aidan Laros, 6-2, 212, Jr-Tr, Cape Town, South Africa (UT Martin/Charlotte/Northwood)

Long Snapper

42 Alex McLaughlin, 5-10, 229, Jr-Tr, Weddington, N.C. (Illinois/NC State/Weddington)
56 Walker Himebauch, 6-1, 223, So-1L, Monument, Colo. (Palmer Ridge)

Short Snapper

42 Alex McLaughlin, 5-10, 229, Jr-Tr, Weddington, N.C. (Illinois/NC State/Weddington)
56 Walker Himebauch, 6-1, 223, So-1L, Monument, Colo. (Palmer Ridge)

Holder

93 Wilson Berry, 6-4, 217, Jr-1L, Maribyrnong, Australia (Maribyrnong College)
or 48 Aidan Laros, 6-2, 212, Jr-Tr, Cape Town, South Africa (UT Martin/Charlotte/Northwood)
or 11 Beau Allen, 6-2, 223, Sr-Tr, Lexington, Ky. (Georgia Southern/Tarleton St./Lexington Catholic)

Kickoff Return

7 Barion Brown, 6-1, 182, Jr-2L, Nashville, Tenn. (Pearl-Cohn)
0 Demie Sumo-Karngbaye, 6-0, 210, Sr-1L, Willingboro, N.J. (NC State/Willingboro)

Punt Return

9 Ja'Mori Maclin, 5-11, 190, Jr-Tr, Kirkwood, Mo. (North Texas/Missouri/Kirkwood)
or 7 Barion Brown, 6-1, 182, Jr-2L, Nashville, Tenn. (Pearl-Cohn)
6 Dane Key, 6-3, 210, Jr-2L, Lexington, Ky. (Frederick Douglass)

DEFENSE (WEEK 2)

Defensive End

90 Tre'vonn Rybka, 6-4, 284, Sr-3L, Dickson, Tenn. (Dickson County)
8 Octavious Oxendine, 6-1, 278, Sr-4L, Radcliff, Ky. (North Hardin)

Nose Guard

9 Keeshawn Silver, 6-4, 336, Jr-1L, Rocky Mount, N.C. (North Carolina/Rocky Mount)
99 Kendrick Gilbert, 6-5, 275, Fr-RS, Indianapolis, Ind. (Indianapolis Cathedral)

Defensive Tackle

0 Deone Walker, 6-6, 345, Jr-2L, Detroit, Mich. (Cass Tech)
92 Kahlil Saunders, 6-5, 291, Jr-2L, Huntsville, Ala. (Grissom)

Strongside Linebacker

3 Alex Afari Jr., 6-2, 222, Jr-2L, Cincinnati, Ohio (Lakota West)
or 42 Tyreese Fearbry, 6-5, 242, So-1L, Pittsburgh, Pa. (Perry Traditional Academy)

Outside Linebacker

13 J.J. Weaver, 6-5, 255, Sr-4L, Louisville, Ky. (Moore Traditional)
55 Noah Matthews, 6-5, 254, So-1L, Bridgeville, Del. (Woodbridge)

Middle Linebacker

2 Jamon Dumas-Johnson, 6-1, 245, Sr-Tr, Hyattsville, Md. (Georgia/St. Frances Academy)
or 17 Daveren Rayner, 6-2, 217, Sr-1L, Indianapolis, Ind. (Northern Illinois/Lawrence Central)

Weakside Linebacker

54 D'Eryk Jackson, 6-1, 244, Sr-4L, Dublin, Ga. (West Laurens)
3 Alex Afari Jr., 6-2, 222, Jr-2L, Cincinnati, Ohio (Lakota West)

Field Cornerback

6 JQ Hardaway, 6-3, 191, Jr-1L, Columbus, Ga. (Cincinnati/Central-Phenix City, Ala.)
or 10 Jantzen Dunn, 6-0, 185, Jr-1L, Bowling Green, Ky. (Ohio State/South Warren)

Boundary Cornerback

1 Maxwell Hairston, 6-1, 186, Jr-2L, West Bloomfield, Mich. (West Bloomfield)
5 DJ Waller Jr., 6-3, 202, So-Tr, Youngstown, Ohio (Michigan/Chaney)
or 21 Nasir Addison, 6-0, 199, So-1L, Newark, N.J. (Irvington)

Strong Safety

11 Zion Childress, 6-0, 195, Sr-2L, Houston, Texas (Texas State/New Caney)
4 Kristian Story, 6-1, 213, Sr-Tr, Lanett, Ala. (Alabama/Lanett)

Free Safety

25 Jordan Lovett, 6-2, 205, Jr-2L, Radcliff, Ky. (North Hardin)
or 14 Ty Bryant, 6-0, 197, So-1L, Lexington, Ky. (Frederick Douglass)