KENTUCKY WILDCATS

FOOTBALL

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Date	Opponent (TV)	Time
8/30	**TOLEDO (SECN)**	**W, 24-16**
9/6	**#20/14 OLE MISS* (ABC)**	**L, 30-23**
9/13	**E. MICHIGAN (ESPNU)**	**W, 48-23**
9/27	at South Carolina*(SECN)	L, 35-13
10/4	at #12/10 Georgia* (ABC)	L, 35-14
10/18	**#21/17 TEXAS* (ESPN)**	**L, 16-13 (OT)**
10/25	**#17/17 TENNESSEE* (SECN)**	**L, 56-34**
11/1	at Auburn* (SECN)	7:30 P.M.
11/8	**FLORIDA***	**TBA**
11/15	**TENNESSEE TECH (SECN+/ESPN+)**	**1:30 P.M.**
11/22	at Vanderbilt*	TBA
11/30	at Louisville	TBA

*Home games in bold; *SEC game*

GAME INFORMATION

TV - SEC NETWORK
Play-by-Play Tom Hart
Analyst Jordan Rodgers
Sideline Cole Cubelic

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

SATELLITE RADIO - SIRIUSXM
374 (UK); 113 or 190 (Auburn)

TICKET INFORMATION - UKATHLETICS.COM

BY THE NUMBERS

55 PLAYERS ON THE ROSTER ARE NEW TO KENTUCKY IN 2025

27 PLAYERS ON THE ROSTER ARE FROM THE TRANSFER PORTAL

UK DEFENSE HAS ALLOWED FEWER THAN 26 POINTS PER GAME AND 162 RUSHING YARDS PER GAME IN SEVEN STRAIGHT SEASONS

MARK STOOPS HOLDS SCHOOL RECORDS FOR WINS **(69)** AND BOWL APPEARANCES **(7)**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1
7:30 P.M. ET • SEC NETWORK
AUBURN, ALABAMA
JORDAN-HARE STADIUM

KENTUCKY WILDCATS

2025 Record / SEC Record ..... 2-5 / 0-5
AP / AFCA Coaches Poll ..... NR / NR
Head Coach ..... Mark Stoops
Career Record at UK (Years) 69-78 (13th)
On-Field Career Record 79-78 (13th)
Last Game ..... L, 56-34, vs. Tennessee (10/25)

AUBURN TIGERS

2025 Record / SEC Record ..... 4-4 / 1-4
AP / AFCA Coaches Poll ..... NR / NR
Head Coach ..... Hugh Freeze
Record at Auburn (Years) 15-18 (3rd)
Career (Years) 90-66 (15th)
Last Game ..... W, 33-24, at Arkansas (10/25)

QUICK NOTES

- Kentucky will play its eighth game of the season at Auburn on Saturday, Nov. 1 at 7:30 p.m. ET on SEC Network.
  - The Wildcats will return to Auburn, Alabama, for the first time since 2020, the season SEC teams played a 10-game conference schedule, which kicked off Sept. 26.
  - Auburn has a four-game win streak over Kentucky.
  - The last time UK beat AU also was the last time UK won in Auburn, a 21-14 triumph in 2009.
- Cutter Boley, redshirt freshman QB, is coming off a pair of confidence-building impressive performances against No. 21/17 Texas and No. 17/17 Tennessee.
  - In those games combined, he completed 57-of-74 pass attempts (77 percent) for 588 yards and five touchdowns. He also rushed for 76 net yards and one touchdown.
  - He is the first UK QB to complete at least 74.3 percent of his passes (min. 30 attempts) in consecutive games since Dusty Bonner in 1999.
  - He is the first UK QB with at least 26 completions in consecutive games since 2015 (Patrick Towles) and consecutive conference games since 2010 (Mike Hartline).
- Mark Stoops is the SEC's longest-tenured coach, currently in his 13th season at the helm of the Wildcats in 2025.
  - He also is UK's all-time winningest head coach with 69 wins.
- UK executed an expansive overhaul of its roster during the offseason, bringing in 55 new players, including 27 via the transfer portal.
- UK's offense is led by a "2-3" punch - RBs Donte Dowdell (jersey #2) and Seth McGowan (#3).
  - McGowan, who sat out last game and had limited snaps in the game prior as he battles injury, is still fourth in the SEC in TDs rushing (7) and seventh in rushing yardage (79.3 yards per game).
- Josh Kattus, senior tight end, was named a semifinalist for the Campbell Trophy, college football's premier scholar-athlete award. He also has been named to the 2025 Allstate AFCA Good Works Team and is a semifinalist for the 2025 Allstate Wuerffel Trophy.
- UK has one of the most experienced offensive lines in FBS, with 166 career starts between them prior to the start of the season, which ranked as the third-most in FBS.
- LB Alex Afari Jr. ranks 15th in the SEC in tackles per game (6.1).
- DB Ty Bryant has two interceptions and LB Steven Soles Jr. has two caused fumbles in 2025, tied for third and fourth in the SEC, respectively, in those categories.
- UK currently has played the nation's fifth-toughest schedule, according to the Sagarin Ratings.
  - Going into Week 10, UK is set to play six teams ranked in the current Associated Press Top 25 poll, including (5) Georgia, (8) Ole Miss, (11) Vanderbilt, (14) Tennessee, (17) Louisville and (19) Texas. Tennessee Tech is ranked 8th in the FCS Coaches Poll.

WEEKLY MEDIA SCHEDULE - GAME 8

Monday - 27	Tuesday - 28	Wednesday - 29	Thursday - 30	Friday - 31	Saturday - 1	Sunday - 2
Stoops news conference - Noon ET Carried live on UKAthletics.com Mark Stoops Call-in Show 6-7 p.m.ET	Post-Practice: Off Coord.; Select Players 5:00 p.m. ET	Post-Practice: Def Coord., Select Players 5:00 p.m. ET	No availability	No availability	UK at Auburn 7:30 p.m. ET Jordan-Hare Stadium (Auburn, Ala.) SEC Network	No availability

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MEDIA SERVICES

CREDENTIAL APPROVALS/DENIALS
For UK's next home game vs. Florida, requests are being accepted through Sportssystems and the deadline to apply is Monday, Nov. 3, 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 Saturday, beginning three hours before kickoff - Apply at www.sportssystems.com/seccredentials.

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 (offensives 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

2025 Fall Practice Photo Gallery Link >>> https://bit.ly/3IY34Mg

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.

NUMERICAL ROSTER

0	Troy Stellato	WR	6-1	184	Sr-Tr
1*	Kam Olds	OLB	6-4	252	Sr-Tr
1*	Kendrick Law	WR	6-0	205	Sr-Tr
2*	Dante Dowdell	RB	6-2	227	Jr-Tr
2*	Sam Greene	OLB	6-2	248	So-Tr
3*	Alex Afari Jr.	ILB	6-2	227	Sr-3L
3*	Seth McGowan	RB	6-1	215	Sr-Tr
4*	J.J. Hester	WR	6-5	203	Gr-Tr
4*	Martels Carter Jr.	DB	6-0	200	Fr-HS
5*	DJ Waller Jr.	DB	6-3	203	Jr-1L
5*	Zach Calzada	QB	6-4	230	Gr-Tr
6	JQ Hardaway	DB	6-3	193	Sr-2L
7*	DJ Miller	WR	6-3	204	Fr-HS
7*	Daveren Rayner	ILB	6-2	217	Sr-1L
8	Cutter Boley	QB	6-5	220	Fr-RS
9*	Ja'Mori Maclin	WR	5-11	191	Sr-1L
9*	Landyn Watson	ILB	6-1	242	Sr-Tr
10*	Jamarion Wilcox	RB	5-10	191	So-1L
10*	Jantzen Dunn	DB	6-0	185	Sr-2L
11	Beau Allen	QB	6-2	211	Gr-Sq
12*	Quay'sheed Scott	DB	6-0	196	So-1L
12*	Stone Saunders	QB	6-1	222	Fr-HS
13*	Dyllon Williams	DB	6-2	187	Fr-HS
13*	Fred Farrier II	WR	6-1	188	Sr-1L
14*	Brennen Ward	QB	6-4	222	Fr-HS
14*	Ty Bryant	DB	6-0	198	Jr-2L
15	Cedric "CJ" Works	DL	6-5	254	Fr-HS
16	Jacob Smith	OLB	6-4	242	Fr-RS
17	Hardley Gilmore IV	WR	6-1	183	So-Tr
18*	Cam Dooley	DB	6-2	208	So-1L
18*	Mikkel Skinner	TE	6-4	231	Fr-HS
19*	Kevis Thomas	DB	6-0	181	Jr-Tr
19*	Montavin Quisenberry	WR	5-10	170	Fr-HS
20	Terhyon Nichols	DB	5-11	198	So-1L
21	Nasir Addison	DB	6-0	204	Jr-2L
22*	Cameron Miller	WR	5-11	167	Fr-HS
22*	Grant Godfrey	ILB	6-3	234	So-1L
23	Brian Robinson	DL	6-5	265	Fr-RS
24	Jaden Smith	DB	6-3	208	Fr-RS
25	Jordan Lovett	DB	6-2	208	Sr-3L
26*	Andrew Purcell	DB	5-10	193	Fr-HS
26*	Jason Patterson	RB	5-10	209	Fr-RS
28*	Demarcus Gardner	DB	6-0	178	Fr-HS
28*	Tovani Mizell	RB	6-0	217	Fr-RS
29	Jackson Schulz	DB	6-2	210	Sr-1L
30	Grant Grayton	DB	6-3	205	Fr-HS
31	Quintavion Norman	ILB	6-3	224	Fr-RS
32	Devin Smith	ILB	6-0	223	Fr-RS
33	Rico Crowder	WR	6-4	191	Fr-RS
34	Lorenzo Cowan	DE	6-3	247	R-Fr-Tr
35*	Steven Soles Jr.	OLB	6-2	235	So-1L
35*	James Dalrymple	RB	5-10	190	Fr-HS
36*	Andrew Weber	DB	6-0	177	So-Sq
36*	Chy Rivers	RB	5-8	179	Jr-Sq
37	Spencer Leadbetter	WR	6-3	199	Jr-Sq
38	Devon Gusta	DB	6-0	186	Jr-Tr
39	Saxton Howard	WR	6-0	175	Fr-HS
40	Aumad Edwards	WR	5-9	168	Fr-HS
42	Alex McLaughlin	LS	5-10	228	Sr-1L

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

21	Nasir Addison	DB	6-0	204	Jr-2L	Newark, N.J. (Irvington)
3*	Alex Afari Jr.	ILB	6-2	227	Sr-3L	Cincinnati, Ohio (Lakota West)
11	Beau Allen	QB	6-2	211	Gr-Sq	Lexington, Ky. (Georgia Southern/Tarleton St./Lexington Catholic)
74	Jermiel Atkins Jr.	OL	6-8	329	Fr-HS	Dayton, Ohio (Madison)
77	Bryan J. Auguste	OL	6-4	298	Fr-HS	Boynton Beach, Fla. (Monarch)
93*	Wilson Berry	P	6-4	214	Sr-2L	Maribyrnong, Australia (Maribyrnong College)
8	Cutter Boley	QB	6-5	220	Fr-RS	Hodgenville, Ky. (Lexington Christian)
89	Preston Bowman	WR	5-11	204	Fr-HS	Pickerington, Ohio (Pickerington North)
87	Henry Boyer	TE	6-6	265	Jr-Tr	Chicago, Ill. (Illinois/Brother Rice)
75	Joshua Braun	OL	6-6	342	Gr-Tr	Live Oak, Fla. (Arkansas/Florida/Suwanee)
85	Elijah Brown	TE	6-6	258	Jr-Tr	Dayton, Ohio (UCF/FAU/Alabama/Wayne)
14*	Ty Bryant	DB	6-0	198	Jr-2L	Lexington, Ky. (Frederick Douglass)
64	Jackson Bunn	DL	6-2	305	Jr-Sq	Oxford, Ala. (Oxford)
62	Jager Burton	OL	6-4	323	Sr-3L	Lexington, Ky. (Frederick Douglass)
5*	Zach Calzada	QB	6-4	230	Gr-Tr	Buford, Ga. (Incarnate Word/Auburn/Texas A&M/Lanier)
56	Javeon Campbell	DL	6-5	246	Fr-HS	Frankfort, Ky. (Western Hills)
4*	Martels Carter Jr.	DB	6-0	200	Fr-HS	Chattanooga, Tenn. (Paducah Tilghman – Ky.)
79	Jay Clark	OL	6-4	325	Fr-HS	Cleveland, Ohio (Northmont)
34	Lorenzo Cowan	DE	6-3	247	R-Fr-Tr	Savannah, Ga. (Southern Cal/Jenkins)
80	Ashton Cozart	WR	6-3	197	So-Tr	Flower Mound, Texas (SMU/Oregon/Marcus)
33	Rico Crowder	WR	6-4	191	Fr-RS	Glasgow, Ky. (Glasgow)
35*	James Dalrymple	RB	5-10	190	Fr-HS	Clarksville, Tenn. (Clarksville)
53*	Hayden Dawahare	OLB	6-3	241	Jr-Sq	Lexington, Ky. (Lexington Catholic)
68	Alexander DiMartino	OL	6-4	275	Fr-HS	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Fort Lauderdale)
18*	Cam Dooley	DB	6-2	208	So-1L	Valley, Ala. (Valley)
2*	Dante Dowdell	RB	6-2	227	Jr-Tr	Picayune, Miss. (Nebraska/Oregon/Picayune)
10*	Jantzen Dunn	DB	6-0	185	Sr-2L	Bowling Green, Ky. (Ohio State/South Warren)
40	Aumad Edwards	WR	5-9	168	Fr-HS	Villa Hills, Ky. (Dixie Heights)
93*	Kalen Edwards	DL	6-4	328	Fr-HS	Dyersburg, Tenn. (Dyersburg)
61	Jason Ekperuoh	OL	6-6	335	Fr-HS	Montreal, Quebec (The Webb School, TN)
52	Jalen Farmer	OL	6-5	318	Jr-1L	Covington, Ga. (Florida/Eastside)
13*	Fred Farrier II	WR	6-1	188	Sr-1L	Frankfort, Ky. (UAB/Franklin County)
70	Rob Fogler	OL	6-7	308	So-Tr	Cincinnati, Ohio (Ball State/St. Xavier)
94	Tavion Gadson	DL	6-5	298	So-Sq	Savannah, Ga. (Jenkins)
28*	Demarcus Gardner	DB	6-0	178	Fr-HS	Cedartown, Ga. (Cedartown)
17*	Hardley Gilmore IV	WR	6-1	183	So-Tr	Belle Glade, Fla. (Nebraska/Kentucky/Pahokee)
22*	Grant Godfrey	ILB	6-3	234	So-1L	Suwanee, Ga. (North Gwinnett)
30	Grant Grayton	DB	6-3	205	Fr-HS	Laurel, Md. (Good Counsel)
2*	Sam Greene	OLB	6-2	248	So-Tr	Washington, D.C. (Southern Cal/St. Frances Academy)
60	David Gusta	DL	6-3	317	Sr-Tr	San Bernardino, Calif. (Washington State/Cajon)
38	Devon Gusta	DB	6-0	186	Jr-Tr	San Bernardino, Calif. (UC Davis/Grand Terrace)
6	JQ Hardaway	DB	6-3	193	Sr-2L	Columbus, Ga. (Cincinnati/Central-Phenix City - Ala.)
98	Kenyatta Hardge II	DL	6-0	305	So-Sq	Lexington, Ky. (Lexington Christian)
97	Josaih Hayes	DL	6-3	322	Sr-3L	Horn Lake, Miss. (Horn Lake)
4*	J.J. Hester	WR	6-5	203	Gr-Tr	Tulsa, Okla. (Oklahoma/Missouri/Booker T. Washington)
39	Saxton Howard	WR	6-0	175	Fr-HS	Lexington, Ky. (Lexington Christian)
90	Mi'Quise Humphrey-Grace	DL	6-4	270	Jr-Tr	Cincinnati, Ohio (South Dakota/Princeton)
72	Hayes Johnson	OL	6-4	300	Fr-RS	Campbellsville, Ky. (Taylor County)
78	Cameron Jones	OL	6-6	341	So-TR	Weirton, W. Va. (James Madison/Weir)
84	Josh Kattus	TE	6-4	247	Sr-3L	Cincinnati, Ohio (Archbishop Moeller)
44*	Justin Kattus	TE	6-1	213	Fr-RS	Cincinnati, Ohio (St. Xavier)
91*	Jacob Kauwe	K	6-1	212	Fr-RS	Billings, Mont. (Billings West)
59	David LaGanga	LS	6-0	212	Jr-Tr	Staten Island, N.Y. (Lehigh/Xaverian)
86	Cole Lanter	WR	5-11	195	Sr-Sq	Danville, Ky. (Boyle County)
48	Aidan Laros	P	6-2	218	Sr-1L	Cape Town, South Africa (UT Martin/Charlotte/Northwood)
1*	Kendrick Law	WR	6-0	205	Sr-Tr	Shreveport, La. (Alabama/Captain Shreve)
37	Spencer Leadbetter	WR	6-3	199	Jr-Sq	Glenview, Ill. (Loyola Academy)
25	Jordan Lovett	DB	6-2	208	Sr-3L	Radcliff, Ky. (North Hardin)
9*	Ja'Mori Maclin	WR	5-11	191	Sr-1L	Kirkwood, Mo. (North Texas/Missouri/Kirkwood)
3*	Seth McGowan	RB	6-1	215	Sr-Tr	Mesquite, Texas, (New Mexico State/Butler CC/Oklahoma/Poteet)
42	Alex McLaughlin	LS	5-10	228	Sr-1L	Weddington, N.C. (Illinois/NC State/Weddington)
66	Tino Merlo	OL	6-2	292	Jr-Sq	Youngstown, Ohio (Cardinal Mooney)
22*	Cameron Miller	WR	5-11	167	Fr-HS	Camden, N.J. (Winslow Township)

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7*	DJ Miller	WR	6-3	204	Fr-HS	St. Louis, Mo. (Cardinal Ritter)
63	Kyle Mixon	OL	6-5	326	So-Sq	Warner Robins, Ga. (Northside)
28*	Tovani Mizell	RB	6-0	217	Fr-RS	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Western)
83	Jack Monday	TE	6-1	229	Sr-Sq	Lexington, Ky. (Lexington Catholic)
20	Terhyon Nichols	DB	5-11	198	So-1L	Cincinnati, Ohio (Withrow)
31	Quintavion Norman	ILB	6-3	224	Fr-RS	Covington, Ga. (Newton)
1*	Kam Olds	OLB	6-4	252	Sr-Tr	Richmond, Va. (Kent State/Buffalo/Midlothian)
26*	Jason Patterson	RB	5-10	209	Fr-RS	Sneads, Fla. (Sneads)
73	Shiyazh Pete	OL	6-8	322	Sr-Tr	Navajo Nation (New Mexico State/Shiprock)
49	Wyatt Phyle	OLB	6-2	210	Fr-HS	Clarkston, Mich. (Everest Collegiate)
67	Brady Pullins	OL	6-3	295	Fr-HS	Lexington, Ky. (Henry Clay)
26*	Andrew Purcell	DB	5-10	193	Fr-HS	Enterprise, Ala. (Enterprise)
19*	Montavin Quisenberry	WR	5-10	170	Fr-HS	Danville, Ky. (Boyle County)
76	Austin Ramsey	DL	6-4	303	So-1L	Philadelphia, Pa. (Roman Catholic)
7*	Daveren Rayner	ILB	6-2	217	Sr-1L	Indianapolis, Ind. (Northern Illinois/Lawrence Central)
36*	Chy Rivers	RB	5-8	179	Jr-Sq	Baton Rouge, La. (Parkview Baptist)
23	Brian Robinson	DL	6-5	265	Fr-RS	Youngstown, Ohio (Westerville North)
81	Willie Rodriguez	TE	6-4	252	So-1L	Taylor Mill, Ky. (Covington Catholic)
92	Kahlil Saunders	DL	6-5	293	Sr-3L	Huntsville, Ala. (Grissom)
12*	Stone Saunders	QB	6-1	222	Fr-HS	Harrisburg, Pa. (Bishop McDevitt)
29	Jackson Schulz	DB	6-2	210	Sr-1L	Louisville, Ky. (Trinity)
97*	Zach Schreiner	K	6-0	181	Gr-Tr	Rocklin, Calif. (Sacramento State/American River JC/Whitney)
12*	Quay'sheed Scott	DB	6-0	196	So-1L	Marion, S.C. (Marion)
53*	Aba Selm	OL	6-4	323	Fr-RS	Independence, Ky. (Simon Kenton)
88	Quintin Simmons Jr.	WR	6-1	171	Fr-HS	Cincinnati, Ohio (Withrow)
18*	Mikkel Skinner	TE	6-4	231	Fr-HS	Greer, S.C. (Riverside)
44*	Antwan Smith	ILB	6-3	215	So-1L	Atlanta, Ga. (Westlake)
32	Devin Smith	ILB	6-0	223	Fr-RS	Brunswick, Ga. (Brunswick)
16	Jacob Smith	OLB	6-4	242	Fr-RS	Somerset, Ky. (Corbin)
24	Jaden Smith	DB	6-3	208	Fr-RS	Charlotte, N.C. (West Charlotte)
95	Jerod Smith II	DL	6-4	275	So-1L	Somerset, Ky. (Corbin)
55	Nic "Happy" Smith	DL	6-5	290	Fr-HS	Loganville, Ga. (Walnut Grove)
35	Steven Soles Jr.	OLB	6-2	235	So-1L	Powell, Tenn. (Powell)
0	Troy Stellato	WR	6-1	184	Sr-Tr	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Clemson/Cardinal Gibbons)
69	Darrin Strey	OL	6-7	322	Fr-HS	Paw Paw, Mich. (Paw Paw)
19*	Kevis Thomas	DB	6-0	181	Jr-Tr	Perry, Fla. (Maryland/Lowndes)
45	Kris Thompson	ILB	6-0	215	Fr-HS	Nashville, Tenn. (Lipscomb Academy)
46	Rushaune Vilane	OLB	6-2	237	So-Sq	Woonsocket, R.I. (Bishop Hendricken)
5*	DJ Waller Jr.	DB	6-3	203	Jr-1L	Youngstown, Ohio (Michigan/Chaney)
14*	Brennen Ward	QB	6-4	222	Fr-HS	Gahanna, Ohio (Gahanna Lincoln)
82	David Washington Jr.	WR	5-11	204	So-1L	Philadelphia, Pa. (St. Joseph's)
9*	Landyn Watson	ILB	6-1	242	Sr-Tr	Austin, Texas (Marshall/TCU/Hutto)
36*	Andrew Weber	DB	6-0	177	So-Sq	Cincinnati, Ohio (St. Xavier)
58	Evan Wibberley	OL	6-5	304	Jr-Tr	Edgewood, Ky. (Western Kentucky/Dixie Heights)
10*	Jamarion Wilcox	RB	5-10	191	So-1L	Douglasville, Ga. (South Paulding)
13*	Dyllon Williams	DB	6-2	187	Fr-HS	Demopolis, Ala. (Demopolis)
91*	Jaden Williams	DL	6-4	295	Jr-Tr	Inglewood, Calif. (Wyoming/Campbell Hall)
50	Alex Wollschlaeger	OL	6-7	311	Gr-Tr	Aurora, Ill. (Bowling Green State/Oswego East)
71	Malachi Wood	OL	6-8	328	So-1L	Richmond, Ky. (Madison Central)
15	Cedric "CJ" Works	DL	6-5	254	Fr-HS	Dayton, Ohio (Frederick Douglass)

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Jermiel (jer-MEEL) Atkins Jr.
Bryan Auguste (August, like the month)
Jager (Jagger) Burton
Javeon (jay-VEE-on) Campbell
Martels (mar-TELL-us) Carter Jr.
James Dalrymple (DAL-rim-pull)
Dante Dowdell (DOW-dell)
Jason Ekperuoh (ek-PEAR-ee-oh)
Mi'Quise (mi-KEESE) Grace
David Gusta (GUST-uh)
Devon (Devan) Gust (GUST-uh)
Josaih (joe-SIGH-uh) Hayes
Jacob Kauwe (COW-way)
David LaGanga (La-GANG-uh)
Aidan Laros (luh-ROSS)
Ja'Mori Maclin (jah-MORE-ee)
Terhyon (tuh-RYAN) Nichols
Shiyazh (SHE-ah-zz) Pete
Daveren (DAVE-ren) Rayner
Jerod (jer-AWD) Smith II
Troy Stellato (still-AH-toe)
Kevis (KEE-vus) Thomas
Rushaune Vilane (rah-SHAWN) Vilane
Evan Wibberley (Wib rhymes with rib)
Alexander Wollschlaeger (wool-SCHLAY-ger)

NUMERICAL ROSTER

44*	Antwan Smith	ILB	6-3	215	So-1L
44*	Justin Kattus	TE	6-1	213	Fr-RS
45	Kris Thompson	ILB	6-0	215	Fr-HS
46	Rushaune Vilane	OLB	6-2	237	So-Sq
48	Aidan Laros	P	6-2	218	Sr-1L
49	Wyatt Phyle	OLB	6-2	210	Fr-HS
50	Alex Wollschlaeger	OL	6-7	311	Gr-Tr
52	Jalen Farmer	OL	6-5	318	Jr-1L
53*	Aba Selm	OL	6-4	323	Fr-RS
53*	Hayden Dawahare	OLB	6-3	241	Jr-Sq
55	Nic "Happy" Smith	DL	6-5	290	Fr-HS
56	Javeon Campbell	DL	6-5	246	Fr-HS
58	Evan Wibberley	OL	6-5	304	Jr-Tr
59	David LaGanga	LS	6-0	212	Jr-Tr
60	David Gusta	DL	6-3	317	Sr-Tr
61	Jason Ekperuoh	OL	6-6	335	Fr-HS
62	Jager Burton	OL	6-4	323	Sr-3L
63	Kyle Mixon	OL	6-5	326	So-Sq
64	Jackson Bunn	DL	6-2	305	Jr-Sq
66	Tino Merlo	OL	6-2	292	Jr-Sq
67	Brady Pullins	OL	6-3	295	Fr-HS
68	Alexander DiMartino	OL	6-4	275	Fr-HS
69	Darrin Strey	OL	6-7	322	Fr-HS
70	Rob Fogler	OL	6-7	308	So-Tr
71	Malachi Wood	OL	6-8	328	So-1L
72	Hayes Johnson	OL	6-4	300	Fr-RS
73	Shiyazh Pete	OL	6-8	322	Sr-Tr
74	Jermiel Atkins Jr.	OL	6-8	329	Fr-HS
75	Joshua Braun	OL	6-6	342	Gr-Tr
76	Austin Ramsey	DL	6-4	303	So-1L
77	Bryan J. Auguste	OL	6-4	298	Fr-HS
78	Cameron Jones	OL	6-6	341	So-TR
79	Jay Clark	OL	6-4	325	Fr-HS
80	Ashton Cozart	WR	6-3	197	So-Tr
81	Willie Rodriguez	TE	6-4	252	So-1L
82	David Washington Jr.	WR	5-11	204	So-1L
83	Jack Monday	TE	6-1	229	Sr-Sq
84	Josh Kattus	TE	6-4	247	Sr-3L
85	Elijah Brown	TE	6-6	258	Jr-Tr
86	Cole Lanter	WR	5-11	195	Sr-Sq
87	Henry Boyer	TE	6-6	265	Jr-Tr
88	Quintin Simmons Jr.	WR	6-1	171	Fr-HS
89	Preston Bowman	WR	5-11	204	Fr-HS
90	Mi'Quise Humphrey-Grace	DL	6-4	270	Jr-Tr
91*	Jacob Kauwe	K	6-1	212	Fr-RS
91*	Jaden Williams	DL	6-4	295	Jr-Tr
92	Kahlil Saunders	DL	6-5	293	Sr-3L
93*	Kalen Edwards	DL	6-4	328	Fr-HS
93*	Wilson Berry	P	6-4	214	Sr-2L
94	Tavion Gadson	DL	6-5	298	So-Sq
95	Jerod Smith II	DL	6-4	275	So-1L
97*	Josaih Hayes	DL	6-3	322	Sr-3L
97*	Zach Schreiner	K	6-0	181	Gr-Tr
98	Kenyatta Hardge II	DL	6-0	305	So-Sq

KENTUCKY-AUBURN

THE SERIES

- Auburn leads the all-time series with Kentucky, 28-6-1.
  - Auburn also leads in Auburn, 13-2.
- The Tigers have a four-game winning streak over the Wildcats (2010, 2015, 2020, 2024).
  - The last time UK defeated AU was a 21-14 win in 2009 at Auburn.

IN THE LAST MEETING

- Auburn defeated Kentucky, 24-10, in Lexington, on Oct. 26, 2024.
- QB Brock Vandagriff completed nine of his 17 passes for 120 yards.
- WR Dane Key had a game-high-tying four receptions for a game-high 87 yards.
  - Three of his four catches were of 20 yards or more, including his first two of the game in the first quarter, each of which helped set up UK's two scores.
- RB Jason Patterson had six rushes and a team-high 38 yards, while he also had his first career reception for 15 yards in the first quarter.
- DB JQ Hardaway made his second interception of the season, and the second of his career, on the Auburn 40 in the first quarter.

THE CONNECTIONS

- Kentucky has five players from the state of Alabama on its roster: DB Dyllon Williams (Demopolis, Ala.); DB Andrew Purcell (Enterprise, Ala.); Jackson Bunn (Oxford, Ala.); Kahlil Saunders (Huntsville, Ala.).
  - JQ Hardaway also went to high school at Phenix City Central in Alabama.

KENTUCKY IN THE SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

- The Wildcats have a 189-418-12 (.315) all-time record in Southeastern Conference games.
  - UK head coach Mark Stoops has a 31-67 (.316) all-time record in SEC games.

TOUGH SCHEDULE

- Kentucky had the nation's fifth-toughest schedule at the start of 2025, according to USA Today, and currently remains fifth according to the Sagarin computer ratings.
- Going into Week 10, UK is set to play six teams ranked in the current Associated Press Top 25 poll, including (5) Georgia, (8) Ole Miss, (11) Vanderbilt, (14) Tennessee, (17) Louisville and (19) Texas.

OFFENSIVE NOTES

THE CUTTER BOLEY FILE

- Cutter Boley, Bluegrass native and redshirt freshman, has been starting QB1 for the team since Eastern Michigan on Sept. 20. In six games and five starts, he has completed 105-of-158 passes for 1,215 yards and nine touchdowns. The rookie also has a touchdown rushing.
  - He is fifth in the SEC and 34th in the nation in completion percentage (66.5%).
- The Bluegrass native proved why he was one of the top rated quarterbacks in his class in his last two games, putting up impressive numbers and setting schools records.
  - He became the first UK quarterback to complete at least 74.3 percent of his passes (min. 30 attempts) in consecutive games since Dusty Bonner in 1999.
  - He became the first UK quarterback with at least 26 completions in consecutive games since 2015 (Patrick Towles) and consecutive conference games since 2010 (Mike Hartline).

(more on these performances on next page)

VS. TEXAS

- He completed a career-best, 31-of-39 pass attempts for a then-career-best 258 yards against No. 21/17 Texas on Oct. 18.

RETURNING / LOST

OFFENSVE STARTERS RETURNING (4)

OL	Jager Burton
OL	Jalen Farmer
OL	Malachi Wood
TE	Josh Kattus

OFFENSIVE STARTERS LOST (7)

LT	Marques Cox
C	Eli Cox
WR	Barion Brown
WR	Dane Key
RB	Demie Sumo-Karngbaye
QB	Brock Vandagriff
TE	Jordan Dingle

DEFENSIVE STARTERS RETURNING (5)

ILB	Alex Afari Jr.
DB	Ty Bryant
DB	JQ Hardaway
DB	Jordan Lovett
DB	DJ Waller Jr.

DEFENSIVE STARTERS LOST (7)

DB	Zion Childress
OLB	J.J. Weaver
ILB	Jamon Dumas-Johnson
DB	Maxwell Hairston
DE	Tre'vonn Rybka
NG	Keeshawn Silver
DT	Deone Walker

OFFENSIVE LETTERWINNERS RETURNING (10)

OL	Jager Burton
OL	Jalen Farmer
OL	Malachi Wood
TE	Josh Kattus
TE	Willie Rodriguez
WR	Fred Farrier II
WR	Hardley Gilmore IV
WR	Ja'Mori Maclin
WR	David Washington Jr.
RB	Jamarion Wilcox

DEFENSIVE LETTERWINNERS RETURNING (19)

ILB	Grant Godfrey
ILB	Alex Afari Jr.
ILB	Daveren Raynor
ILB	Antwan Smith
OLB	Steven Soles Jr.
DB	Nasir Addison
DB	Ty Bryant
DB	Cam Dooley
DB	Janzten Dunn
DB	JQ Hardaway
DB	Jordan Lovett
DB	Terhyon Nichols
DB	Jackson Schultz
DB	Quay'sheed Scott
DB	DJ Waller Jr.
DL	Josaih Hayes
DL	Austin Ramsey
DL	Kahlil Saunders
DL	Jerod Smith II

SPECIALISTS LETTERWINNERS RETURNING (3)

P	Aidan Laros
LS	Alex McLaughlin
H	Wilson Berry

QUICK FACTS

Location: Lexington, Ky.
Founded: 1865
Enrollment: 38,719
Nickname: Wildcats
Colors: Blue (PMS 286) and White
Conference: Southeastern
Stadium: Kroger Field (61,000)
President: Dr. Eli Capilouto
Athletics Director: Mitch Barnhart
Faculty Representative: Joseph L. Fink III

2025 COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Mark Stoops (Iowa, '89)
Overall College Coaching Record:
UK/Career Record (Years): 69-78 (13th yr.)
On-field Record: 79-78 (.506)
SEC Record: 31-67 (.320)
On-field SEC Record: 36-67 (.350)
Bowl Record: 3-4 (.429)
On-field Bowl Record: 4-4 (.500)

Assistant Coaches:

Brad White (Wake Forest, '05)
Def. Coord./OLBs, 8th year (7th as DC)
Bush Hamdan (Boise State, '08)
Offensive Coord./QBs, 2nd year
Jay Boulware (Texas, '96)
Running Backs/Sp. Teams Coord., 3rd year
Frank Buffano (Arizona, '06)
Safeties, 6th year
Chris Collins (Western Carolina, '10)
Co-Def. Coord./Defensive Backs, 5th year
Anwar Stewart (Kentucky, '17)
Defensive Line, 6th year
Mike Stoops (Iowa, '87)
Inside Linebackers, 4th year
L'Damien Washington (Missouri, '13)
Wide Receivers, 1st year
Derek Shay (Eastern Illinois, '13)
Tight Ends, 1st year
Eric Wolford (Kansas State, '94)
Offensive Line, 3rd year (2nd in 2nd term)

Analysts:

Kevin Barbay (Lamar, '05)
Josh Estes-Waugh (Kentucky, '12)
Greg Frey (Florida State, '96)
Nate Fuqua (Wofford, '03)
Mike Hartline (Kentucky, '11)
Brad Lambert (Kansas State, '87)
Mark Perry (Kentucky, '01)
Jack Ray (Arkansas Pine Bluff, '18)
Joe Scola (Dartmouth, '07)

Graduate Assistants:

Yusuf Corker - defense (Kentucky, '21)
Paul Rodriguez - offense (Kentucky, '24)
"Bunchy" Stallings - defense (Kentucky, '18)
Max Steurer - defense (Kentucky, '23)

- He added a career-best 14 rushes for a career-best 45 yards and the first touchdown rushing of his career.
  - His 16-yard TD run was the longest for a UK QB since Will Levis at Louisville in 2021.
  - On non-sack plays, he ran 11 times for 69 yards.
- His 31 completions are the most for a UK freshman quarterback since Jared Lorenzen in 2000.
- His 258 yards passing were the most for a UK freshman since Maxwell Smith threw for 283 against Ole Miss in 2011, which Boley reset that career high in the following game.
- His 79.4 percent completion percentage is also the best single-game percentage for a freshman quarterback with 30 attempts.
  - His 79.4 percentage is the best for any UK quarterback since Dusty Bonner completed 85 percent (34-of-40) against Connecticut in 1999.
- He became the first UK quarterback with at least 250 yards passing and 45 yards rushing since Will Levis against Tennessee in 2021.

VS. TENNESSEE

- He completed 26-of-35 pass attempts for a career-best 330 yards and a career-best five touchdowns against No. 17/17 Tennessee on Oct. 25.
- His five touchdown passes are a UK freshman record. The previous record was three by Morgan Newton (2009) and Jared Lorenzen (2000).
  - His five TD passes also are the most since Andre' Woodson threw for six TDs against Tennessee in 2007.
- His 330 passing yards are the most for a UK freshman since Jared Lorenzen threw for 385 yards against Vanderbilt in 2000.
- He became the first UK quarterback with two touchdown passes of at least 56 yards in the same game since Will Levis against Northern Illinois on Sept. 24, 2022.
  - It marked the first time two touchdown passes of at least 56 yards against a league foe since Patrick Towles vs. Mississippi State in 2014.

RECONSTRUCTED OFFENSIVE LINE

- The reconstruction of the Big Blue Wall had a significant focus on size, depth - and maybe most important - experience during the offseason. UK now has a group that - prior to the season opener - featured the third-most collegiate starts in the nation and more than 200 career games played.
  - Included in that group is transfer lineman and 2025 Preseason Coaches All-Southeastern Conference Third Teamer Josh Braun, who has played 57 career games (seven at Kentucky, 26 at Florida and 24 at Arkansas) with 38 career starts (seven at Kentucky, eight at Florida and 24 at Arkansas).
  - Going into Week 10, Braun ranks 28th amongst FBS players in career games played.
- Kentucky has started the same lineup in all seven games this season, including LT Shiyazh Pete, LG Josh Bruan, C Jager Burton, RG Jalen Farmer and RT Alex Wollschlaeger.
- **FUN FACT:** While offensive lines don't get much of the limelight, the Big Blue Wall is a fairly popular group, from Jager Burton spearheading a tornado relief drive that filled more than two semi-trucks full of goods for those affected this summer in Eastern Kentucky to Shiyazh Pete's unique perspective on his Navajo roots.

Most Games Started

Rank	Team	Played (Prior to Season Opener)
1.	Virginia	213
2.	Illinois	169
3.	**KENTUCKY**	**166**
4.	Texas Tech	165
5.	Texas A&M	156

Most Games Played

Rank	Team	Played (Prior to Season Opener)
1.	Virginia	334
2.	UTSA	288
3.	Florida State	265
4.	Illinois	259
15.	**KENTUCKY**	**220**

SHIYAZH PETE ONE OF FIVE NATIVE AMERICANS IN FBS

The representation of Native American players in college football is limited but growing, with five notable players proudly carrying their tribal heritage onto the national stage, including Kentucky's Shiyazh Pete. Here are the other Native American players and their tribes:

Name	School	Tribe
Shiyazh Pete	Kentucky	Navajo Nation
Tao Johnson	Utah	Northern Arapaho and Bishop Paiute
Walter Young Bear	West Virginia	Kiowa, Comanche, Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Tribes
Zae Thomas	Florida State	Seminole
Prayer Young-Blackgoat	Arizona State	Navajo Nation

FUN FACT: During preseason media day, Pete referred to the offensive line, which consists of three new starters, as "Beasts of No Nation," a quote that resonated with fans across the Bluegrass state.

"BIG BACKS" LED THEIR TEAMS IN RUSHING LAST SEASON

- The running room features two veteran "big backs" plucked from the transfer portal in Seth McGowan (New Mexico State) and Dante Dowdell (Nebraska). It also includes a young man, redshirt freshman Jason Patterson, who gained valuable experience through just four games in 2024.
- McGowan and Dowdell led their teams in rushing last season, while Patterson showed plenty of promise.
    - McGowan led New Mexico State with 153 carries, 823 yards and three touchdowns rushing - also added three touchdowns receiving - though 12 games and 11 starts.
    - Dowdell paced Nebraska in rushing with 143 carries, 614 rushing yards and 12 touchdowns through 12 games and seven starts.
    - Patterson was limited to four games in order to retain his redshirt but showed plenty of ability by running for 111 yards and averaging 5.6 per carry.

2-3 PUNCH

- No. 2 Dante Dowdell and No. 3 Seth McGowan are the bell cows of the ground game.
- Going into Week 10, despite playing limited snaps or no snaps the last couple games, McGowan still ranks fourth in the SEC in TDs rushing (7), seventh in the SEC in rushing yards per game (79.3) and 11th in the SEC in yards rushing per carry (5.12).
    - He became the first UK player with at least 75 yards rushing and a touchdown rushing in each of the first four games of the season since George Adams in 1984.
    - He became the first UK player with at least seven touchdowns rushing through four games since Benny Snell in 2018 (also seven).
        - He also became the first UK player with six touchdowns rushing in the first three games of the season since at least 1984.
- Dowdell recently surpassed the 1,000-yard mark for his college career, including his time at Oregon and Nebraska, and now has 1,030 rushing yards as a collegian going into Week 10.
    - He shined in the season opener against Toledo on Aug. 30, recording 14 carries for a career-best 129 yards and a career-long, 79-yard touchdown, which, until Week 9, was the longest run by a SEC player this season.
        - It was the most rushing yards for a UK player in the season opener since Stanley

TOP 25 POLLS

2025 AP TOP 25

1 Ohio State (54)
2 Indiana (11)
3 Texas A&M (1)
4 Alabama
5 Georgia
6 Oregon
7 Ole Miss
8 Georgia Tech
9 Vanderbilt
T10 BYU
T10 Miami
12 Notre Dame
13 Texas Tech
14 Tennessee
15 Virginia
16 Louisville
17 Cincinnati
18 Oklahoma
19 Missouri
20 Texas
21 Michigan
22 Houston
23 Southern Cal
24 Utah
25 Memphis

UK & OPPONENTS RECEIVING VOTES:

2025 AFCA COACHES TOP 25

1 Ohio State (62)
2 Indiana
3 Texas A&M (2)
4 Alabama
5 Georgia
6 Oregon
7 Georgia Tech
8 Ole Miss
9 Miami
10 BYU
11 Vanderbilt
12 Notre Dame
13 Texas Tech
14 Tennessee
15 Virginia
16 Cincinnati
17 Louisville
18 Oklahoma
19 Texas
20 Missouri
21 Michigan
22 Houston
23 Navy
24 Utah
25 Memphis

UK & OPPONENTS RECEIVING VOTES:

STAT LEADERS

100-YARD RUSHERS

Player	2025	Career	'25 Opp.
Seth McGowan	2*	3	E. Michigan Georgia
Dante Dowdell	1*	1	Toledo
Jamarion Wilcox	0	2	

**First season at UK*

100-YARD RECEIVERS

Player	2025	Career	'25 Opp.
Kendrick Law	1	1	Tennessee
DJ Miller	1	1	Tennessee
Ja'Mori Maclin	0	5	
J.J. Hester	0*	1	

**First season at UK*

300-YARD PASSERS

Player	2025	Career	'25 Opp.
Cutter Boley	1	1	Tennessee
Zach Calzada *^at Incarnate Word*	0	11^	
Beau Allen **at Tarleton State*	0	5*	

INTERCEPTIONS

Player	2025	Career
Jordan Lovett	1	8
Ty Bryant	2	3
JQ Hardaway	1	3
Daveren Rayner	1	1
Grant Grayton	1	1
Kam Olds	0*	1
Landyn Watson	0*	1

**First season at UK*

SACK LEADERS

Player	2025	Career
Steven Soles Jr.	3.0	4.0
M. Humphrey-Grace*	2.0	17.0
Tavion Gadson	1.5	1.5
Daveren Rayner	1.0	6.5
Alex Afari Jr.	1.0	4.5
David Gusta*	1.0	2.5
Grant Godfrey	0.5	0.5
Jaden Williams*	0.5	2.0
Kam Olds*	0.5	6.5
Josaih Hayes	0.0	2.5
Kahlil Saunders	0.0	2.5
Jantzen Dunn	0.0	1.0
Sam Greene*	0.0	1.0
JQ Hardaway	0.0	1.0

**First season at UK*

"Boom" Williams jetted for 135 yards against Louisiana Lafayette in 2015.

- **FUN FACT:** In meetings with the television announcers prior to the season opener, linebacker Alex Afari Jr. was asked to talk about the UK transfer running backs. Afari quipped, "Dowdell runs like he's mad at the ground."

IN THE TRENCHES

- UK began the season with at least 170 yards rushing and two touchdowns rushing in each of the first three games, the first time that's happened since 2010.

TIGHT END TIME IN THE BLUEGRASS

- Kentucky has a couple of solid dudes at tight end in senior Josh Kattus and sophomore Willie Rodriguez, and while they're not new to the team, they add a fresh look to the team's offense in 2025.
  - Kattus and Rodriguez are second and third on the team in yards receiving.
  - Just through seven games in 2025, each Kattus and Rodriguez have set new single-season highs in both receptions and yards.
- **FUN FACT:** Kattus and Rodriguez are roommates with redshirt freshman quarterback Cutter Boley.

WIDE NET OF WIDE RECEIVERS

- With transfers going out and transfers coming in, this has proven to be a room with a lot of competition, with several beginning to set themselves apart heading into Week 9.
  - The wide receiver room includes:
    - No returning starters.
    - Two returners that played on offense in all 12 games last season - Ja'Mori Maclin, Fred Farrier II.
    - Five transfers - Troy Stellato (Clemson), Kendrick Law (Alabama), J.J. Hester (Oklahoma), Hardley Gilmore IV (Nebraska), Ashton Cozart (SMU).
      - **FUN FACT:** Gilmore did not actually play for Nebraska, he played for Kentucky last season. However, he did enter the transfer portal and signed with the Cornhuskers in the offseason, following former UK wide recievers coach Dakiel Shorts. He made his return back to the Bluegrass in April. In an interview with the Lexington Herald Leader, Hardley said, "I'm where I'm supposed to be.... I'm comfortable here.... It's just genuine love here.... There isn't anybody like Coach Stoops to me."
    - Five scholarship freshmen - Cam Miller (4-star), DJ Miller (4-star), Quintin Simmons Jr. (4-star), Montavin Quisenberry (3-star), Preston Bowman (3-star).

NEW KIDS, BIG PLAYS

- Look out for a couple of freshmen who have come on midseason.
- Cam Miller, who played in his first game at No. 12/10 Georgia on Oct. 4, played in only the fourth quarter but he finished with three catches – of three total targets – for 41 yards.
  - He earned his first start in the following game against No. 21/17 Texas on Oct. 18, and again in the next game against No. 17/17 Tennessee on Oct. 25. In the latter game, he made two more receptions on both of his targets for 21 yards.
- DJ Miller played in his first game against No. 21/17 Texas on Oct. 18 and caught two passes for 13 yards. He followed that up with a record night against No. 17/17 Tennessee on Oct. 25:
  - He had five catches on all five of his targets for a team-best and career-best 120 yards and two touchdowns.
  - He had a career-long, 56-yard touchdown reception in the second quarter, the first of his college career, followed by a 28-yarder in the third quarter.
  - He tied the school record – with seven others – for most touchdown pass receptions by a freshman in a game with two, becoming the first since Dane Key and Barion Brown both did so in 2022.
  - He also is just the seventh freshman in school history with a 100-yard receiving game and just the eighth such performance.

- Kendrick Law is separating himself game-by-game, almost doubling the amount of receptions of the next player with a team-high 24 catches for a team-high 302 yards and two touchdowns.
- At No. 12/10 Georgia on Oct. 4, he led the team on a career-high-tying six passes for a then-career high 64 yards and a touchdown.
    - The five-yard TD reception marked his first score at Kentucky and the second score of his career.
    - He also had a season-long, 38-yard reception to set up UK for its first touchdown of the game, which also was one yard shy of his career long, a 39-yard reception against Auburn in 2022.
- Then, against No. 21/17 Texas on Oct. 18, on the first play of overtime, he had a 22-yard reception that was UK's longest gain of the game.
- In his last appearance against No. 17/17 Tennessee on Oct. 25, he had two catches for a career-high 103 yards and one touchdown.
    - Included was a career-long, 71-yard touchdown reception in the first quarter. It was the program's longest since Gavin Wimsatt's connection to Ja'Mori Maclin against Louisville in 2024 (83 yards).

J-MAC IS BACK

- Ja'Mori Maclin, who prior to the season opener had 87 career receptions for 1,702 career yards and 17 career scores, recorded 13 catches for 313 yards and four scores last season at Kentucky. However, seven of his 13 catches came in the final four games, while three catches for 121 yards and two touchdowns came in the season finale against Louisville.
    - Not included in his four TDs, he also caught a two-point conversion pass following his own TD at Tennessee.
    - **FUN FACT:** Maclin desires to have an impact on younger players - both on and off the field. He has been using TikTok and YouTube to post free workouts / drills / technical tips, while also slipping in life wisdoms, too.

DEFENSIVE NOTES

FOUR YEARS OF CONTINUITY

- The Wildcats' defensive coaches have been together for at least four years:
    - Brad White (defensive coordinator) - Eighth season at UK
    - Chris Collins (co-defensive coordinator/defensive backs coach) - Fifth season
    - Frank Buffano (safeties coach) - Sixth season
    - Anwar Stewart (defensive line coach) - Sixth season
    - Mike Stoops (inside linebackers coach) - Fourth season

A DEFENSE THAT RANKS...

UK concluded last season ranked in the nation's top 25 and the Southeastern Conference's top five in five categories, including two special teams categories, which are coached by Jay Boulware.

Stat	Nat'l Rank	SEC Rank	Statistic
Red Zone Defense	6	2	70.8%
Punt Return Defense	6	2	3.25
First Downs Defense	12	4	215.0
Passing Yards Allowed	21	4	183.7
Kickoff Return Defense	25	4	17.81

GOOD TO SEE YOU BACK!

- Two defensive linemen were tagged as Comeback Player of the Year Watch List candidates this preseason after suffering injuries in Spring 2024.
    - Tavion Gadson, a sophomore, has been very patient since stepping foot in Lexington as a freshman two years ago. He played just four games as a freshman in 2023, with

STAT SUPERLATIVES

Most Games Played (min. 30):
Joshua Braun (57), Josaih Hayes (51), Ja'Mori Maclin (50), Fred Farrier II (46), Daveren Rayner (46), Kahlil Saunders (46), Alex Afari Jr. (45), Jager Burton (45), Jordan Lovett (44), JQ Hardaway (43), Zach Calzada (41), J.J. Hester (41), Aidan Laros (41), Kendrick Law (41), Josh Kattus (40), Kam Olds (40), Shiyazh Pete (40), Wilson Berry (39), David Gusta (39), Alex Wollschlaeger (39), Mi'Quise Humphrey-Grace (37), Jantzen Dunn (32), Henry Boyer (32), Ty Bryant (32), Landyn Watson (32)

Most Games Started (min. 20):
Jager Burton (41), Jordan Lovett (40), Joshua Braun (39), Shiyazh Pete (37), Zach Calzada (34), Alex Wollschlaeger (34), David Gusta (31), Alex Afari Jr. (28), Ja'Mori Maclin (22), Josh Kattus (22), Mi'Quise Humphrey-Grace (22), Ty Bryant (20), JQ Hardaway (20)

Consecutive Games Started (min. 12, **unavailable to play due to injury does not count*): Jager Burton (41), Alex Wollschlaeger (39), Shiyazh Pete (37), Joshua Braun (31), David Gusta (30), Jordan Lovett (22), Mi'Quise Humphrey-Grace (21), Jalen Farmer (19), JQ Hardaway (19)

Consecutive Games with a Tackle (min. 12):
Jordan Lovett (22), Ty Bryant (20)

Consecutive Games with a Reception (min. 5):
Willie Rodriguez (7), Kendrick Law (5)

WHERE ARE THE COACHES?

Sideline
Mark Stoops, Head Coach
Jay Boulware, RBs/Special Teams
Frank Buffano, Safeties
Chris Collins, Co-DC, Defensive Backs
L'Damian Washington, 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
Derek Shay, Tight Ends

2025 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

QB • BEAU ALLEN
- Dad, Bill, played quarterback at Kentucky from 1984-88

P • WILSON BERRY
- Played three years of Australian rules football for Essedon'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 27 years old, oldest player on the team
- One of four married players on the team ... Married to the former Courtney Stewart of Paducah, Kentucky ... The couple has two sons, Leo and Gus
- Older brother, Jordan, played football at Eastern Kentucky and was the punter for the Minnesota Vikings and the Pittsburgh Steelers
- Younger brother, Oscar, played basketball at the University of North Florida

QB • CUTTER BOLEY
- Dad, Scott, played basketball at Western Kenucky (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 • PRESTON BOWMAN
- Dad, Geoff, played football at Miami (Ohio) from 1996-99

OL • JOSHUA BRAUN
- One of four married players on the team ... Got married in June of '22 to Azucena Gonzalez of Live Oak, Florida
- Father, Mike, was a four-year letter winner as an offensive tackle for Army West Point's football team (1986-89), and mother, Karen, was a four-year starter for Army West Point's basketball team from 1985-89, playing 112 games ... She ranks fourth in school history in career rebounds (863) and career rebounding average (7.7)

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

OL • JAGER BURTON
- Dad, Jeff, played football at Morehead State

QB • ZACH CALZADA
- Dad, Hector, was an All-American swimmer at Tulane
- Sister, Carolyn, played three seasons of soccer at Texas A&M and was a three-time All-SEC selection ... Currently a graduate transfer at Notre Dame
- Paternal grandparents are originally from Cuba

the goal to redshirt, then he suffered a knee injury in Spring 2024. It kept him out for majority of last season, playing limited snaps in just two games in 2024.
    - Gadson recently had three straight games with four tackles, all against SEC opponents (at South Carolina, at Georgia, Texas), which is his career high.
- Josaih Hayes is due for a breakthrough season. This will mark his sixth season in the program, with 45 career games, four starts and 57 career tackles under his belt prior to this season. He sat out most of last season after suffering a torn Achilles tendon in Spring 2024. He, too, played limited snaps in three games in 2024.

BRAD'S BENCHMARKS

- Brad White is in his seventh season as the defensive coordinator, and his eighth 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 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 61-of-80 games - 76.3 percent - with White as the defensive coordinator (2019-present).
    - The UK defense has held opponents to 24 points or fewer in 31 of the last 47 games - 65.9 percent - since November 2021.
    - For the first time since 1983-89, UK has allowed 26 points or fewer per game in seven straight seasons (2018-24).
    - For the first time since 1946-54, UK has yielded fewer than 162 rushing yards per game for seven straight seasons (2018-24).

TACKLE TERROR

- Going into Week 10, senior linebacker Alex Afari Jr. leads the team and is 15th in the league in total tackles (6.1).
    - He has had a trio of 10-tackle games in his last eight games, a stretch that dates back to the end of last season.
- Prior to Eastern Michigan on Sept. 13, Afari had nine straight games with a tackle for loss, which tied the second-longest streak in program history and one short of the school record.
- **FUN FACT:** A native of Italy, Afari's family moved to Ghana, then moved to the United States when he was eight-years-old. A friend asked him to play youth league football and he agreed - thinking he was going to play soccer. American football was initially a total mystery, but he stuck with the sport, and the rest is history.

STEVEN "SACK 'EM" SOLES JR.

- Steven Soles Jr., sophomore linebacker, leads the team with three sacks, which also ranks 15th in the SEC.
- In the season opener against Toledo on Aug. 30, Soles had a career-high two sacks (-20 yards), causing a fumble on both plays. He had another strong pass rush that drew a hands-to-the-face penalty, nullifying a completion for a first down and forcing a punt.
    - He is the first player to have two sacks in a game since Octavious Oxendine had two at Ole Miss on Sept. 28, 2024.
    - His two caused fumbles are tied for fourth in the SEC in that category.
- He collected his third sack of the season - and the fourth of his young career - against No. 21/17 Texas on Oct. 18.

HOMETOWN KID

- Ty Bryant, junior safety from right here in Lexington, had two interceptions on back-to-back drives against Ole Miss on Sept. 6, each of which set up a Kentucky score.
    - He became the first Wildcat with two interceptions in an SEC home game since Anthony Wajda against LSU in 1999.

- His two pickoffs are second the SEC in interceptions.
- The performance earned him honorable mention for the Thorpe Award National Defensive Back of the Week.

- Bryant also has been an active tackler, as his 5.7 tackles per game are second on the team and 22nd in the league.

YOU GOTTA LOVETT

- Jordan Lovett, senior defensive back, notched his first interception of the season at No. 12/10 Georgia on Oct. 4, returning the pick 20 yards.
  - He now has eight interceptions in his career, at least one in four consecutive seasons.
  - He needs two more to reach UK's all-time top-10 list.

AN APPETITE FOR TURNOVERS

- Kentucky's defense has intercepted the ball on the opponents' first possession in two games in 2025.
  - **FUN FACT:** In four of seven games this season, UK has allowed less than 20 yards of offense on opponents' opening drives.
- The Wildcats have forced nine turnovers on downs so this season, second-most in the SEC.
- The Wildcats have forced a turnover in 13 of their last 16 games.

PICK SIX

- UK has had 11 interceptions returned for touchdowns since 2020, including two each in two different games.
- UK has had at least one interception returned for touchdown in each of the last five seasons (2020-24).
  - It marked the first time UK has assembled five straight seasons with a pick six since 1968-72.
  - An interception return for TD this season would give UK six straight seasons with a pick six, setting the school record for consecutive seasons.

Kentucky's Pick Sixes Since 2020

Year	Player	Opponent	Yards	Date
2024	Maxwell Hairston	Ohio	25 yards	Sept. 21
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

STOPPING THE RUN

- Kentucky has held 14 of its last 33 opponents - 42.4 percent - to less than 100 yards rushing, dating back to the final game of 2022.
  - Against Toledo in Week 1, the Wildcats held the Rockets to 59 net rushing yards. The Wildcats have held their opponents to under 100 yards rushing in each of their last three straight season openers (2023-25).
  - Against No. 21/17 Texas in Week 8, the Wildcats held the Longhorns to 47 net rushing yards, a team that came into the game averaging 166.5 yards per game.

2025 CAT SCRATCHES

DL • JAVEON CAMPBELL
- Has only been playing football for two years (started in 2023)

DB • MARTELS CARTER JR.
- Dad, Martels, played football at Austin Peay (1995-2000); brother, Deno Montgomery, played football at EKU (2011-15); sister, Kimia, played basketball at North Carolina Central (2019-23)

DE • LORENZO COWAN
- Brother of Wildcat sophomore defensive lineman, Tavion Gadson

DB • JANTZEN DUNN
- Dad, Mitchell, played basketball at Miami from 1994-95

OL • ROB FOGLER
- Has a fraternal twin, Dave, who is 13 minutes older than him ... Dave is a junior mechanical engineering major at Dayton

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

DB • GRANT GRAYTON
- Has a twin sister, Gabrielle, who is older by seven minutes ... She is currently a freshman at Maryland

DL • DAVID GUSTA
- Older brother to Devon Gusta, also a transfer on the team

OL • HAYES JOHNSON
- Mom, Stephanie, was a collegiate cheerleader at Campbellsville University from 1995-97

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 redshirt freshman TE for the Cats, while brother, Tucker, is a freshman offensive lineman at Clemson

LS • DAVID LAGANGA
- Father, David, was a defensive tackle at Pitt from 1985-87

WR • COLE LANTER
- One of four married players on the team ... Got married in June of '25 to Taylor Ebbs of Keizer, Oregon
- Cousin Tod Lanter, was a walk-on on the Kentucky basketball team from 2012-2015 and uncle, Bo, played basketball at Kentucky from 1979-82

P • AIDAN LAROS
- Moved to the United States as a freshman in high school
- Father, Adrian, played 14 seasons of Division I rugby in South Africa and three seasons of professional rugby in France ... Grandfather, Paul Ripchik, was a left-handed pitcher in the Canadian League in the late 1950s

2025 CAT SCRATCHES

WR • SPENCER LEADBETTER
- Cousin, Conor Dwyer, was an Olympic gold medalist swimmer who won a gold medal for the U.S. 4×200-meter freestyle relay team at the 2012 Summer Olympics

WR • JA'MORI MACLIN
- Cousin, Jeremy Maclin, was an All-American wide receiver at Missouri who spent eight seasons in the NFL

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 Coco Gauff, is an American professional tennis player

ILB • QUINTAVION NORMAN
- Older brother, Tay Gowan, was drafted by the Arizona Cardinals in the sixth round of the 2021 NFL Draft and has played for four teams

OLB • KAM OLDS
- Dad, Kevin Olds Sr., was a cornerback at UT Martin from 1989-91 and brother, Kevin Olds Jr., was an athlete at Alabama State from 2019-22; brother-in-law, Justin Thorpe, was a quarterback at James Madison from 2008-12

OL • SHIYAZH PETE
- Is a full-blooded Navajo Indian from Navajo Nation
- Father, Natani, is of the Salish/Navajo tribe, while mother, Geraldine, is full-blooded Navajo
- Can solve a Rubik's Cube in less than a minute
- Can play the didgeridoo, a wind instrument that originated among Australian aborigines

TE • WILLIE RODRIGUEZ
- Mom, Jody, was an outside hitter on the volleyball team at Dayton from 1993-97; Dad, Willie, was a middle linebacker at Thomas More from 1992-96; Sister, Sofia, is currently a soccer player at Western Carolina

QB • STONE SAUNDERS
- Dad, Steve, was a defensive lineman at Millersville University from 1988-92; sister Lily, played field hockey at William & Mary and Richmond from 2019-23; brother, Logan, played football at Shippensburg from 2021-22; sister, Morgan, played field hockey at Shippensburg from 2020-24

DB • QUAY'SHEED SCOTT
- Cousin, Xavier Legette, is currently a wide receiver for the Carolina Panthers
- Cousin, T.J. Sanders, currently plays defensive tackle for the Buffalo Bills

TE • MIKKEL SKINNER
- Aunt, Kalana Greene, played basketball at UConn (2005-10) before playing professionally in the WNBA and for CCC Polkowice in Poland
- Cousin, Courtney Brown, was an defensive lineman at Penn State and for the Cleveland Browns
- Cousin, Joe Hamilton, was a quarterback at Georgia Tech

ILB ANTWAN SMITH
- Mom, Tiffani, ran track at the University of

READY FOR THE LONGHORNS

- Kentucky's defense held No. 21/17 Texas to 179 total yards of offense on Oct. 18.
  - The last time UK held an SEC opponent to 179 yards or less was against Vanderbilt (139 yards) in 2014.
- Kentucky limited No. 21/17 Texas to eight first downs, the fewest against an SEC opponent since also holding Vanderbilt to eight in 2014.
- This was the fewest total yards allowed and fewest first downs allowed against a ranked opponent since the 1976 Peach Bowl against North Carolina (108 yards, five first downs).
- UK has allowed 16 points or less against an Associated Press ranked opponent in seven of the last eight seasons.

SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES

AIDAN LAROS: BOOMING PUNTS AND "ZERO TOUGHNESS"?

- Aidan Laros (pronounced luh-ROSS), starting punter, was named to the 2025 Preseason Coaches All-Southeastern Conference Third Team after handling kickoffs and also was the primary punter in the last nine games last season.
- Laros, who is on the watch list for the Ray Guy Award, is ranked sixth in the league and 31st in the nation in punting with a 44.5 yard average.
  - In his recent appearance at No. 12/10 Georgia on Oct. 4, he punted five times for a 47.0-yard average. He had a long of 55 yards, two punts of 50+ yards and two inside the 20-yard line.
- He's become wildly popular for his "zero toughness" rating on EA Sports' College Football 26, which he humbly and comically calls an obvious mistake. He's undoubtedly the first rugby player in history to have a zero toughness rating (see below).
  - **FUN FACT:** Aidan played rugby growing up in South Africa. Also, his father, Adrian, played 14 seasons of Division I rugby in South Africa and three seasons of professional rugby in France.

HOLY KAUWE!

- Jacob Kauwe (pronounced COW-way), a redshirt freshman from Billings, Montana, handles field goals and extra points for the Wildcats.
  - Going into Week 10, he is 10-of-13 on field goals and is a perfect 19-of-19 on extra points this season, which are also his career numbers.
    - He is 10th in the SEC in FG% (76.9).
  - Kauwe's longest field goal - in high school or in college - is 51 yards, which he set against Eastern Michigan on Sept. 13.
    - Going into Week 10, he is 5-of-7 on field goals more than 40 yards.
  - Mark Stoops has said he would be willing to try Kauwe from as long as 60 yards.

AGE IS ONLY A NUMBER

UK holder and punter Wilson Berry is one of the oldest players in college football this season. At 27 years old he is the fifth-oldest player:

Name	Age	Pos.	Birthday	School
Jack Murley	30	P	4/23/95	Southern Miss
Monte Harrison	30	WR	8/10/95	Arkansas
Billy Gowers	29	P	6/10/96	Hawaii
Mitch McCarthy	27	P	10/10/97	Indiana
WILSON BERRY	**27**	**P**	**6/8/98**	**KENTUCKY**

MILESTONES BY THE WILDCATS

- **Coach Mark Stoops** has the most on-field victories (79) in Kentucky history, SEC victories (36), home victories (55) and victories against ranked opponents (14).
- Senior **WR Ja'Mori Maclin** has 1,749 receiving yards in his career ... Needs 251 to reach 2,000 for his collegiate career.
- Senior transfer **QB Zach Calzada** has thrown for 8,941 passing yards in his career. He needs 59 yards to reach 9,000 for his collegiate career.
- Junior transfer **RB Dante Dowdell** has 1,030 career rushing yards. He reached 1,000 for his collegiate career against Tennessee on Oct. 25, 2025
- Senior **LB Alex Afari Jr.** has 23.0 career tackles for loss. He needs 7.0 TFL to reach 30 and enter UK's career top 10 list.
- Senior **DB Jordan Lovett** has eight career interceptions. He needs two more to break into UK's top 10 list.

KICKOFF RETURN FOR TOUCHDOWN

- Kentucky is one of two schools (also Florida State) that have at least one kickoff return for touchdown each of the last three years (2022-24).
  - 2024 - 1
  - 2023 - 3
  - 2022 - 1

GENERAL NOTES

WILDCATS AGAINST RANKED TEAMS

- Kentucky's last ranked win was over then-No. 6 Ole Miss last Sept. 28 in Oxford.
  - Kentucky's last win over a ranked team at home was over No. 22 Florida, 33-14, in 2023.
- Kentucky has played 279 ranked teams in the Associated Press poll in its history, holding a 51-221-5 record in those games. (The on-field record is 53-221-5 after two wins were vacated by NCAA from 2021).
  - In ranked games thus far this season, Kentucky lost to No. 20/14 Ole Miss, 30-23, on Sept. 6 at home, No. 12/10 Georgia, 35-14, on Oct. 4 on the road, No. 21/17 Texas on Oct. 18 at home and No. 17/17 Tennessee, 56-34, on Oct. 25 at home.
- The Wildcats are 9-16 on-field against their last 25 ranked AP-ranked teams, dating back to a win over NC State in the 2020 TaxSlayer Gator Bowl.
  - Since 2018, the Cats are 12-31 on-field against AP-ranked teams.

HOME SWEET HOME

- In 2025, UK is in its 53rd season playing at Kroger Field, which was formerly named Commonwealth Stadium (1973-2016).
  - The Cats are 185-151-4 (.550) all-time in the stadium, including 49-36 (.577) under Mark Stoops. (Those marks do not include five home wins vacated by the NCAA in 2021).

ALLSTATE AFCA GOOD WORKS TEAM

- Josh Kattus, a senior tight end, was one of 11 members named to the 2025 Allstate AFCA Good Works Team, it was announced Sept. 16, which makes him an eligible semifinalist for the 2025 Allstate Wuerffel Trophy.
  - Kattus is the second straight Wildcat to be named to the prestigious team and the eighth under Stoops.
- Earlier this season, Kattus spearheaded a shoe drive that benefited Camp Horsin' Around, a local nonprofit that enriches the lives of children whose health is compromised or who have special needs by collaborating with organized groups to provide an outdoor camp adventure.

2025 CAT SCRATCHES

Miami and earned All-America honors after placing 13th in the long jump at the 1995 NCAA Indoor Track & Field Championships
- Dad, Dadra, played basketball at Utah State from 1995-97
- Brother, Deon, played football at Duke from 2017-2020 and has played with four NFL teams since 2021

DL JEROD AND OLB JACOB SMITH
- Fraternal twins ... Jerod is older by 15 minutes
- Dad, Jerod, is currently a master sergeant in the United States Marine Corps

OL DARRIN STREY
- Dad, Dennis, was an offensive lineman at Ferris State; mother, Jennifer, was a pitcher on the softball team at Ferris State
- Older brother, Dennis Strey Jr., currently is an offensive lineman at Eastern Michigan

QB BRENNEN WARD
- Dad, Bruce, played football at Farmont State; mother, Meghan, was a swimmer at Fairmont State; sister, Bella, played basketball at Xavier

WR DAVID WASHINGTON JR.
- Brother, Damir, played football at Rowan University from 2018-21

DB DYLLON WILLIAMS
- Sister, Tatyenna Armstrong, played volleyball at Tougaloo College in Jackson, Miss.; brother, Sam Freemon, played basketball at Minnesota; an uncle, Cedric Samuel, was a cornerback at Alabama

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

CATS IN THE PROS

A total of 26 former Kentucky Wildcats are currently on National Football League active rosters or practice squads. The list of those players is as follows *(as of Oct. 14, 2025)*:

Buffalo Bills
Ray Davis, RB (2023)
Maxwell Hairston, DB (2022-24)
Deone Walker, DL (2022-24)

Carolina Panthers
Trevin Wallace, LB (2021-23)

Dallas Cowboys
*Zion Childress, DB (2022-24)

Denver Broncos
*Keidron Smith, DB (2022)

Detroit Lions
%Josh Paschal, DE (2017-21)

Green Bay Packers
*Jamon Johnson, LB (2024)
Darian Kinnard, OT (2018-21)
Carrington Valentine, DB (2020-22)

Houston Texans
Brenden Bates, TE (2019-23)
Zion Childress, DB (2022-24)
*Eli Cox, OL (2020-24)

Jacksonville Jaguars
Josh Hines-Allen, DE/LB (2015-18)

Kansas City Chiefs
*Mike Edwards, S (2015-18)

LA Chargers
Bud Dupree, OLB (2011-14)

Las Vegas Raiders
*Jamin Davis, LB (2018-20)
%Lonnie Johnson Jr., CB (2017-18)

New Orleans Saints
Luke Fortner, C (2017-21)
%Landon Young, OT (2016-17, 19-20)

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

Pittsburgh Steelers
Brandin Echols, CB (2019-20)

Seattle Seahawks
*Quinton Bohanna, DL (2017-20)

Tennessee Titans
%Will Levis, QB (2021-22)

Washington Commanders
Chris Rodriguez Jr., RB (2019-22)

**practice squad %reserve/injured*

- For the past two years, he has volunteered to participate in the "Dancing with the Lexington Stars" event. In 2024, he helped raise more than $34K for the Lexington Rotary Club Endowment Fund and Surgery on Sunday. In 2025, he helped raise close to $11K for Baby Health Services and the Rotary Club of Lexington's scholarship and service initiatives.
- He also is a weekly volunteer at the Kentucky Children's Hospital, specifically at the DanceBlue Kentucky Children's Hospital Hematology Oncology Clinic, where he visits with sick children, plays games or just hangs out.

NONCONFERENCE COMPETITION

- The Wildcats have won 21 of their last 22 nonconference games in the **regular season.**
  - Kentucky had won 19 straight nonconference games in the **regular season**, a stretch that was second in the nation behind Georgia, before falling to Louisville on Nov. 30, 2024.
- Kentucky has won 24 of its last 27 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.

SUPER SENIORS

Kentucky has six "Super Seniors" who return for their final year of eligibility in 2025.

- QB Beau Allen - Transferred back to Kentucky in 2024 as a graduate transfer after one season at Georgia Southern (2023) and one at Tarleton State (2022). He started his collegiate career as a Wildcat in 2020-21.
- OL Josh Braun - Transferred to Kentucky in 2025 after two seasons at Arkansas (2023-24) and three at Florida (2020-22).
- QB Zach Calzada - Entering his seventh season of collegiate football after playing three seasons at Texas A&M (2019-21), one at Auburn (2022) and two at Incarnate Word (2023-24).
- WR J.J. Hester - Transferred to Kentucky in 2025 after three seasons at Oklahoma (2022-24) and two at Missouri (2020-2021).
- K Zach Schreiner - Received an extra year of eligibility after playing two seasons at Sacramento State and two seasons at American River College.
- OL Alex Wollschlaeger - Transferred to Kentucky in 2025 after five seasons at Bowling Green State (2020-24).

IMPACT PORTAL PICKUPS

Mark Stoops took full advantage of the transfer portal to fulfill needs in key positions in 2025, welcoming 27 transfers to the program.

Name	Pos.	Yr.	Previous School
Henry Boyer	TE	Jr.	Illinois
Josh Braun	OL	Gr.	Arkansas - 2023 Second Team All-SEC
Elijah Brown	TE	Jr.	Central Florida
Zach Calzada	QB	Gr.	Incarnate Word - 2024 FCS Player of the Year
Lorenzo Cowan	DE	RFr.	Southern Cal
Ashton Cozart	WR	So.	SMU
Dante Dowdell	RB	Jr.	Nebraska
Rob Fogler	OL	So.	Ball State
Hardley Gilmore IV	WR	So	Nebraska
Sam Greene	OLB	So.	Southern Cal
David Gusta	DL	Sr.	Washington State
Devon Gusta	DB	Jr.	UC Davis
J.J. Hester	WR	Gr.	Oklahoma
Mi'Quise Humphrey-Grace	DL	Jr.	South Dakota - 2024 MVFC Defensive Player of the Year
Cameron Jones	OL	So.	James Madison

David LaGanga	LS	Jr.	Lehigh
Kendrick Law	WR	Sr.	Alabama
Seth McGowan	RB	Sr.	New Mexico State - 2024 Second Team All-CUSA
Kam Olds	OLB	Sr.	Kent State
Shiyazh Pete	OL	Sr.	New Mexico State
Zach Schreiner	K	Sr.	Sacramento State
Troy Stellato	WR	Sr.	Clemson
Kevis Thomas	DB	Jr.	Maryland
Landyn Watson	ILB	Sr.	Marshall
Evan Wibberley	OL	Jr.	Western Kentucky - 2024 Fourth Team All-CUSA
Jaden Williams	DL	Jr.	Wyoming
Alex Wollschlaeger	OL	Gr.	Bowling Green State - 2024 First Team All-MAC

SMARTY CATS

Seventeen Wildcats will play the 2025 season having already graduated and will don the SEC Graduate patch on his uniform. They include:

1. Beau Allen – Interdisciplinary Studies (Georgia Southern)
2. Wilson Berry – Kinesiology
3. Josh Braun – Classical Studies (Florida) / MBA (Arkansas)
4. Jager Burton – Communication
5. Zach Calzada – Supply Chain Management (Texas A&M) / MBA (Incarnate Word)
6. Janzten Dunn - Community Leadership & Development
7. Fred Farrier II – Community Leadership & Development
8. Josaih Hayes – Community Leadership & Development
9. J.J. Hester – Sociology (Oklahoma)
10. Kendrick Law – Consumer Science (Alabama)
11. Jordan Lovett – Health Promotion
12. Ja'Mori Maclin – Integrated Studies (North Texas)
13. Shiyazh Pete – Communication Studies (New Mexico State)
14. Daveren Rayner - Communication
15. Jackson Schulz – Communication
16. Zach Schreiner – Business Management (Sacramento State)
17. Alex Wollschlaeger – Business (Bowling Green State) / MBA (BGSU)

LONG-TERM STABILITY

Mark Stoops is the longest-tenured active head coach in the Southeastern Conference and the fifth longest-tenured active head coach in FBS. Now in his 13th season at Kentucky, Stoops is one of only 17 head coaches who have coached at least 13 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 (27th season)
2.	Kyle Whittingham	Utah	Dec. 9, 2004 (21st season)
3.	Troy Calhoun	Air Force	Dec. 22, 2006 (19th season)
4.	Dabo Swinney	Clemson	Oct. 13, 2008 (18th season)
5.	**MARK STOOPS**	**KENTUCKY**	**NOV. 27, 2012 (13th season)**
6.	Dave Doeren	NC State	Dec. 1, 2012 (13th season)

BY THE NUMBERS

	2025	Stoops
Record on field	2-5	79-78
SEC	0-5	36-67
West	0-0	7-17
East	0-0	28-38
Non-Conference	2-0	43-11
Home	2-3	55-36
Road	0-2	20-37
Neutral site	0-0	4-5
Night	1-3	36-38
Day	1-2	43-40
TV Games	2-4	72-77
ABC	0-2	4-6
CBS	0-0	0-6
ESPN	0-1	6-18
ESPNU	1-0	5-5
ESPN2	0-0	6-3
ESPNews	0-0	0-1
SEC Network	1-2	52-38
Fox Sports South	0-0	1-1
CBS Sports Network	0-0	1-0
August/September	2-2	38-16
October	0-3	17-28
November	0-0	19-29
December/January	0-0	5-4
Bowl Games	0-0	4-4
Coming off an open date	0-2	6-12
UK scores on 1st possession	1-1	39-19
Opp scores on 1st possession	0-3	21-36
UK scores first	2-2	51-25
Opponent scores first	0-3	28-52
UK leads after 1st quarter	2-2	47-16
Opponent leads after 1stQ	0-2	16-49
Teams are tied after 1stQ	0-1	16-12
UK leads at halftime	2-0	58-10
Opponent leads at halftime	0-5	11-61
Teams are tied at halftime	0-0	11-6
UK leads after 3rd quarter	2-0	67-8
Opponent leads after 3rdQ	0-5	7-66
Teams are tied after 3rdQ	0-0	5-3
Game goes to overtime	0-1	1-4
Scoring less than 20 pts	0-3	5-51
Scoring 20+ points	2-2	68-27
Scoring 30+ points	1-1	46-11
Allowing less than 20 pts	1-1	50-8
Allowing 20+ points	1-3	23-59
Allowing 30+ points	0-4	8-46
UK has more total yards	1-1	62-13
Opp. has more total yds	1-4	17-65
UK has more rushing yards	2-2	62-21
Opp. has more rushing yards	0-3	17-58
UK has more passing yards	0-1	40-24
Opp. has more passing yards	2-4	39-52
Rushing for less than 100 yds	0-1	9-28
Rushing for over 100 yards	2-4	65-49
Rushing for 200+ yards	2-0	47-11
Passing for 200+ yards	1-3	33-22
Passing for 300+ yards	0-1	13-8
UK has 100-yard rusher	2-1	49-20
Opp. has 100-yard rusher	0-1	18-42
No turnovers	1-1	22-12
One or two turnovers	1-3	47-48
3 or more turnovers	0-1	10-18
No takeaways	0-3	14-20
3 or more takeaways	0-0	18-4
UK has more penalties	0-2	28-32
Opp. has more penalties	1-3	43-42
Teams have equal penalties	1-0	8-4
UK has more TOP	1-3	53-30
Opp. has more TOP	1-2	25-47
UK defense scores	0-0	19-6
Opponent defense scores	1-2	9-15
UK returns KO/Punt for TD	0-0	6-3
Opp. returns KO/Punt for TD	0-0	0-5
Playing on natural grass	0-2	18-42
Playing on artificial surface	2-3	61-35
In blue uniforms	1-1	20-12
In white uniforms	0-1	14-18
In white jerseys/blue pants	0-1	6-20
In blue jerseys/white pants	1-1	27-7
In black uniforms	0-1	1-6
In blue jerseys/grey pants	0-0	2-3
In black jerseys/blue pants	0-0	0-1
In grey uniforms	0-0	6-6
In grey jerseys/blue pants	0-0	3-5

HONORING THE CATS

LB - Alex Afari Jr.
- Butkus Award Watch List
- Preseason Phil Steele All-SEC, Fourth Team

S - Ty Bryant
- Thorphe Award National DB of the Week, Honorable Mention (Week 2, 9/9/25)

OL - Josh Bruan
- Preseason Phil Steele All-SEC, Third Team
- Preseason Coaches All-SEC, Third Team

OL - Jager Burton
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List

WR - Ja'Mori Maclin
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Top 300

QB - Zach Clazda
- Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award Watch List

DL - Josaih Hayes
- Comeback Player of the Year Watch List

TE - Josh Kattus
- Allstate AFCA Good Works Team
- Allstate Wuerffel Trophy Semifinalist
- William V. Campbell Trophy Watch List
- Jason Witten Man of the Year Watch List

P - Aidan Laros
- 'Ray's 8' Award, Week 3
- Ray Guy Award Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Watch List
- Preseason Coaches All-SEC, Third Team
- Preseason Media Days All-SEC, Third Team
- Preseason Phil Steele All-SEC, Second Team

WR - Ja'Mori Maclin
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Top 300

RB - Seth McGowan
- Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Player of the Week Award (Honorable Mention), Week 3
- Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award Watch List

LB - Kam Olds
- Reese's Senior Bowl Bowl Top 300

OL - Alex Wollschlaeger
- Preseason Phil Steele All-SEC, Third Team

He ranks 10th 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

Rank	Wins	Head Coach	School	Current Season at School
1.	210	Kirk Ferentz	Iowa	27th
2.	183	Dabo Swinney	Clemson	18th
3.	173	Kyle Whittingham	Utah	21st
4.	137	Troy Calhoun	Air Force	18th
5.	111	Kirby Smart	Georgia	10th
6.	97	K.C. Keeler	Sam Houston State	12th
7.	91	Dave Doeren	NC State	13th
8.	85	Jeff Monken	Army	12th
9.	78	Pat Narduzzi	Pitt	11th
10.	**69**	**MARK STOOPS**	**KENTUCKY**	**13TH**

LA FAMILIA

Kentucky football has two sets of sons of former Kentucky Wildcats:

- Junior DB Ty Bryant is the son of former Wildcat wide receiver Cisco Bryant from 1983-85
- Senior QB Beau Allen is the son of former Wildcat Bill Allen, a quarterback from 19984-88

BAND OF BROTHERS

Kentucky has four sets of brothers on its roster in Justin and Josh Kattus, David and Devon Gusta, twins Jerod and Jacob Smith, and Tavion Gadson and Lorenzo Cowan. Here's how that stacks up nationally:

Programs with Sets of Brothers in 2025

1.	5	Illinois
2.	**4**	**KENTUCKY**
		Auburn
		Southern Cal

OH CAPTAIN, MY CAPTAINS

- The Wildcats no longer have permanent team captains, instead opting for a system of weekly rotating captains for individual games.
  - **Toledo -** DB Ty Bryant, OL Jager Burton, DB JQ Hardaway, TE Josh Kattus
  - **Ole Miss** - LB Alex Afari Jr., OL Jalen Farmer, TE Josh Kattus, LB Daveren Rayner
  - **Eastern Michigan** - L Joshua Braun, DB Jordan Lovett, RB Seth McGowan, DL Kahlil Saunders
  - **South Carolina** - OT Shiyazh Pete, DB Ty Bryant, OG Jalen Farmer, DL Kahlil Saunders
  - **Georgia -** NG David Gusta, BB JQ Hardaway, WR Ja'Mori Maclin, TE Willie Rodriguez
  - **Texas -** DL Mi'Quise Humphrey-Grace, WR Kendrick Law, LB Daveren Rayner, OL Alex Wollschlaeger
  - **Tennessee -** OL Jager Burton, DL Tavion Gadson, TE Josh Kattus, DB Jordan Lovett

WIFED UP

- The Wildcats have three married players:
  P Wilson Berry (Courtney) - married in May of '23
  OL Josh Braun (Azucena or Suzi) - married in June of '22
  WR Cole Lanter (Taylor) - married in June of '25

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, 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)
  - **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** – Junior, offensive lineman (Cardinal Mooney)
  - **DJ Waller Jr.** – Junior, defensive back (Chaney)
  - **Brian Robinson** – R-freshman, defensive lineman (Westerville North)

COACHING CHANGES

- Kentucky welcomes a pair of new coaches to its on-field coaching staff, including La'Damian Washington (wide receivers) and Derek Shay (tight ends).
- Washington, a former National Football League and Canadian Football League receiver, opens his first season in Lexington with a strong resume that includes both playing and coaching in the Southeastern Conference.
  - Washington starred at Missouri from 2009-2013, helping lead the Tigers to four bowl games. He returned for one year as the schoool's Director of Player Development in 2020. He then spent time at Southern University and Oklahoma as a wide receivers coach before moving to South Florida the past two seasons, which both ended in bowl appearances.
- Shay played at both Western and Eastern Illinois before beginning his coaching career as a student assistant in 2011.
  - One of Shay's early stops included prep powerhouse IMG Academy, where he was the Co-Offensive Coordinator and Offensive Line Coach. He guided six All-American linemen while there and 10 who signed Division I.
  - Shay's collegiate coaching experience includes stops at McNeese State, LSU, Missouri and Marshall before spending the 2024 season as a senior offensive analyst and run game specialist at Kentucky.

WILDCATS IN THE NFL DRAFT

- Two players were drafted in 2025, giving head coach Mark Stoops a total of 30 drafted players since his arrival in 2013.
  - Twenty-six of those 30 selections have come in the last seven drafts (2019-25).
  - Eighteen of those 30 selections were defensive players.
  - 26 of the 28 players in previous drafts (not including 2025) have played at least one season in the league
- The 2025 NFL Draft marked the seventh straight year UK had at least one player drafted in the first three rounds.
- UK has had a least two players drafted in seven consecutive drafts, the first time that has happened since the 1984-91 drafts.
- With DB Maxwell Hairston being selected 30th overall by the Buffalo Bills, UK has had four first-round draft choices under Stoops. They include Alvin "Bud" Dupree (2015), Josh Hines-Allen (2019), Jamin Davis (2021) and Hairston.

DID YOU KNOW?

- A picture of longevity, UK Equipment Manager Tom Kalinowski enters his 48th season in that role in 2025. He also was a student manager in 1974-77, now marking his 52nd 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.

JACOB TAMME NAMED SEC LEGEND

- Former University of Kentucky football tight end Jacob Tamme has been named to the 2025 Southeastern Conference Football Legends class presented by T-Mobile.
- Tamme was a standout tight end at the University of Kentucky, earning All-America as a senior and All-SEC as a junior and senior. He finished his college career with 133 receptions, 1,417 yards, and 11 touchdowns—ranking first in UK history and second in SEC history for catches by a tight end. Tamme helped lead Kentucky to wins over Clemson, Florida State, and No. 1 LSU. He was recognized for his leadership with the Bobby Bowden Award and named UK's Most Inspirational Player. A top student, he was an Academic All-American and SEC Scholar-Athlete of the Year. Tamme played nine NFL seasons (2008–2016), appearing in the Super Bowl with the Colts, Broncos, and Falcons. Off the field, he co-founded the "Swings for Soldiers Classic," supporting injured veterans, runs Tamme Valley Farm, and works in wealth management. He also serves on the Board of Governors for Champions Blue, the new management model for UK Athletics.
- The class will be honored at the 2025 SEC Football "Weekend of Champions" December 5-6 in Atlanta, highlighted by the annual SEC Legends Celebration presented by T-Mobile on Friday, December 5 at the College Football Hall of Fame. The group will also be recognized prior to the SEC Football Championship Game, which will be held at Mercedes-Benz Stadium on Saturday, December 6.

WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME KENTUCKY ...

Scored 40 points: 48 vs. Eastern Michigan, Sept. 13, 2025
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. Murray State (24-0), Nov. 16, 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: at South Carolina, Sept. 27, 2025
Scored on first play from scrimmage of game: at Louisville, Nov. 26, 2016
Had 25 First Downs: 25 vs. Tennessee, Oct. 25, 2025
Had 30 First Downs: 32 vs. Murray State, Nov. 16, 2024
Had 250 yards rushing: 269 vs. Murray State, Nov. 16, 2024
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: 45 at Georgia, Oct. 4, 2025
Had 300 yards passing: 330 vs. Tennessee, Oct. 25, 2025
Had 400 yards passing: 459 vs. New Mexico State, Nov. 20, 2021
Had below 50 yards passing: 44 vs. South Carolina, Sept. 7, 2024
Had 300 yards rushing and passing: (381/311) vs. New Mexico St., Sept. 17, 2016
Had 500 yards total offense: 582 Murray State, Nov. 16, 2024
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: 47, Texas, Oct. 18, 2025
Held opp. below 100 yards rushing: 47, Texas, Oct. 18, 2025
Held opp. below 100 yards passing: 70, vs. ULM, Sept. 4, 2021
Held opponent below 200 yards total offense: 179 vs. Texas, Oct. 18, 2025
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: Seth McGowan (112), at South Carolina, Sept. 27, 2025
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: Seth McGowan vs. Eastern Michigan (104), Sept. 13, 2025 and at South Carolina (112), Sept. 27, 2025
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 Seth McGowan vs. Eastern Michigan, Sept. 13, 2025
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 Cutter Boley, vs. Texas, Oct. 18, 2025
Had a player with 300 passing yards: 330 by Cutter Boley, vs. Tennessee, Oct. 25, 2025
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: 5 by Cutter Boley, vs. Tennessee, Oct. 25, 2025
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: 105 by Dane Key at Ole Miss, Sept. 28, 2024
Had a player with consecutive 100-yard receiving games: Dane Key, 2 (vs. Ohio, Sept. 21, 2024; at Ole Miss, Sept. 28, 2024)
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: 120 by DJ Miller and 103 by Kendrick Law, vs. Tennessee, Oct. 25, 2025
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 via rushing, receiving and kick return: Barion Brown, vs. Clemson, Dec. 29, 2023
Had a player return a kickoff for a TD: Barion Brown (99 yards) at Florida, Oct. 19, 2024
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: Maxwell Hairston, 25 yards, vs. Ohio, Sept. 21, 2024
Had a player recover/return a fumble for a TD: Jamon Dumas-Johnson, at Texas, 25 yards, Nov. 23, 2024
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 intercept at least two passes in a game: Ty Bryant (2) vs. Ole Miss (Sept. 6, 2025)
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: Jacob Kauwe (51 yards) vs. Eastern Michigan, Sept. 13, 2025
Had a punt of 70 yards or more: Colin Goodfellow (70 yards) at Miss. State, Oct. 30, 2021
Played an overtime game: vs. Texas, Oct. 18, 2025 - (L, 13-16)
Won an overtime game: vs. EKU, 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); Untimed down

WHEN WAS THE TIME THE OPPONENT ...

Opponent scored 40 points: 56 by Tennessee, Oct. 25, 2025
Opponent scored 50 points: 56 by Tennessee, Oct. 25, 2025
Opponent scored 10 or less points: 6 by Murray State, Nov. 16, 2024
Shut Out Kentucky: 0-21 by Iowa, Dec. 31, 2022
Shut Out Kentucky in 2nd half: by Auburn, Oct. 26, 2024
Rushed for 300 yards: 326 by Auburn, Oct. 26, 2024
Passed for 300 yards: 396 by Tennessee, Oct. 25, 2025
Had 500 yards of total offense: 504 by Tennessee, Oct. 25, 2025
Recorded a safety: Toledo, Aug. 30, 2025 (tackled QB 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: 138, Kewan Lacy (Ole Miss, Sept. 6, 2025
Had a player with 200 yards rushing: 278, Jarquez Hunter (Auburn, Oct. 26, 2024
Had two players with 100 yards rushing: 129, Ray Davis (Vanderbilt) and 126, Mike Wright (Vanderbilt) Nov. 12, 2022
Had a player with 40 pass attempts: 42 by Noah Kim (Eastern Michigan, 25 completions), Sept. 13, 2025
Had a player with 25 pass completions: 25 by Noah Kim (Eastern Michigan, Sept. 13, 2025
Had a player with 300 yards passing: 396 by Joey Aguilar (Tennessee, Oct. 25, 2025)
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: 11, Tre Harris (Ole Miss, 176 yards), Sept. 28, 2021
Had a player with 100 yards receiving: 138, Chris Brazzell II (Tennessee, 4 catches), 107, Mike Matthews (Tennessee, 6 catches) and 105, Braylon Staley (6 catches), Oct. 25, 2025
Had a player with 200 yards receiving: 216 by Demarcus Robinson (Florida), Sept. 13, 2014
Had two players with 100 yards receiving: 138, Chris Brazzell II (Tennessee, 4 catches), 107, Mike Matthews (Tennessee, 6 catches) and 105, Braylon Staley (6 catches), Oct. 25, 2025
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: Edrees Farooq (Tennessee), 45 yards, Oct. 25, 2025
Had a player return a fumble for a TD: Jatius Geer (South Carolina), 41 yards, Sept. 27, 2025

INDIVIDUAL/TEAM RECORDS

Most Career SEC Wins By A Head Coach, School History

1. **31 Mark Stoops (2013-present; doesn't include 5 vacated wins)**
2. 25 Fran Curci (1973-1981)
3. 22 Paul "Bear" Bryant (1946-53)

Most Career Home Wins By A Head Coach, School History

1. **49 Mark Stoops (2013-present, doesn't include 6 vacated wins)**
2. 33 Paul Bryant (1946-53)
3. 32 Jerry Claiborne (1982-89)

Most Career Wins vs. A Ranked Opponent, School History

1. **12 Mark Stoops (2013-present, doesn't include 2 vacated wins)**
2. 9 Paul Bryant (1946-53)
   9 Fran Curci (1973-81)

Consecutive Games with a Tackle For Loss (Since 1980)

10 Vincent Burns (2002-03)
9 Alex Afari Jr. (2024-25)
Jeremy Jarmon, 2006-07
8 Josh Paschal (2021)
Josh Allen (2017)
Marlon McCree (2000)

Best Average Yards Per Punt, Career (min. 75)

45.96 Max Duffy (151/6940), 2018-20
44.43 Glenn Pakulak (134/5954), 2000-02
44.32 Colin Goodfellow (77/3413), 2020-22

44.96 Aidan Laros (62/2787), 2024-25

FRESHMAN SINGLE-GAME RECORDS

Most Touchdown Passes Thrown

5 Cutter Boley vs. Tennessee (Oct. 25, 2025)
3 Morgan Newton vs. Georgia (Nov. 21, 2009)
Jared Lorenzen vs. South Florida (Sept. 9, 2000)
Jared Lorenzen vs. Louisville (Sept. 2, 2000)

Most Touchdown Receptions

2 DJ Miller vs. Tennessee (Oct. 25, 2025)
Barion Brown vs. Northern Illinois (Sept. 24, 2022)
6 others

100-Yard Receiving Games

DJ Miller vs. Tennessee (Oct. 25, 2025)
Barion Brown vs. Northern Illinois (Sept. 24, 2022)
Barion Brown vs. Georgia (Nov. 19, 2022)
Garrett Johnson vs. Florida (Sept. 13, 2014)
Rafael Little vs. Georgia (Nov. 6, 2004)
Tommy Cook vs. Indiana (Dec. 1, 2001)
Derek Homer vs. Alabama (Oct. 4, 1997)
Andy Murray vs. LSU (Oct. 18, 1986)

Kentucky has had 10 game-winning fourth quarter scores in SEC play, and 16 total, under Coach Mark Stoops

Date	Opponent	Time Left	Scoring Play
9/21/24	at Ole Miss	2:25	2-yard rush
11/5/22	at Missouri	5:18	22-yard pass
9/11/21	vs. Missouri	11:28	Offensive fumble recovery in end zone
10/12/19	vs. Arkansas	6:53	24-yard rush
10/27/18	at Missouri	0:00	2-yard pass
10/20/18	vs. Vanderbilt	8:04	7-yard rush
10/7/17	vs. Missouri	9:40	53-yard field goal
10/22/16	vs. Mississippi State	0:00	51-yard field goal
9/24/16	vs. South Carolina	10:21	1-yard rush
10/4/14	vs. South Carolina	2:29	6-yard interception return

KROGER FIELD

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



- Since its opening in 1973, Kentucky has played 338 games within the friendly confines of newly-named Kroger Field. **UK has a 185-151-4 record (.551), 49-36 (.576) 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 featured 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 / 13TH SEASON / IOWA, 1989



The longest-termed coach in Kentucky history and having the longest term of any current coach in the Southeastern Conference, Mark Stoops looks to add to his legacy of success entering his 13th season with the Wildcats in 2025.

Stoops holds school records for wins (69), home wins (49), SEC wins (31) and wins over ranked opponents (12). Last season's victory at No. 6 Ole Miss was fifth straight season that his Wildcats had knocked off a ranked opponent, yet another school record.

In addition to the records listed above, a partial accounting of Stoops' exploits features:

- **Seven bowl appearances**
- **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)**

Individually, Stoops' players have 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, Freddie Solomon Spirit Award, Academic All-America and National 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.

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.

The bountiful crop of victories and honors are the fruit of the last nine seasons, but the harvest didn't come easily. Arriving in 2013, inheriting 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, and prompting ESPN analyst Tom Luginbill to call Stoops "the best program

builder in all of college football."

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 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

STOOPS AND CO. MAKING A HIT IN RECRUITING

Now in his 13th 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 13 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.

Outlet	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Rivals	#29	#17	#35	#29	#26	#30	#30	#20	#45	#10	#23	#24	#28
ESPN	#36	#20	#43	#34	#30	#36	#36	#23	#40	#13	#34	#24	#29
247Sports	#41	#23	#38	#34	#29	#38	#34	#22	#39	#11	#27	#24	#29

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 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.

STOOPS' KENTUCKY RECORDS

Most Wins By A Head Coach

1.	**69**	**Mark Stoops (2013-Present)**
2.	60	Paul "Bear" Bryant (1946-1953)
3.	47	Fran Curci (1973-1981)
4.	41	Jerry Claiborne (1982-1989)
	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.	**49**	**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	**0-3**
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	**3-0**
FLORIDA	**#3-8**
GEORGIA	**0-13**
Georgia Tech	0-1
Iowa	#0-1
Louisiana-Lafayette	1-0
Louisiana-Monroe	#1-0
LOUISVILLE	**#5-5**
LSU	#0-1
Miami (Ohio)	2-0
Middle Tennessee	1-0
Mississippi State	5-6
Missouri	#6-4
Murray State	2-0
New Mexico State	#1-0
North Carolina State	1-0
Northern Illinois	1-0
Northwestern	0-1
Ohio	2-0
OLE MISS	**1-4**
Penn State	1-0
SOUTH CAROLINA	**#6-6**
Southern Miss	2-1
TENNESSEE	**2-11**
Tennessee-Martin	2-0
TENNESSEE TECH	0-0
TEXAS	**0-2**
Texas A&M	0-1
TOLEDO	**2-0**
VANDERBILT	**#7-4**
Virginia Tech	1-0
Western Kentucky	0-1
Youngstown State	1-0
TOTAL	***69-78**

** Note: 10 wins from the 2021 season vacated by the NCAA; on-field record is 79-78*
 # record does not include win from the 2021 season, now vacated by the NCAA


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DARRELL
KHALIL MACK
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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 Levis, 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
	TRANSPERFECT MUSIC CITY BOWL			
0	Iowa	21	Nashville	Dec. 31
265		**250**		

COACH: Mark Stoops

CAPTS: Will Levis, 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 4, Lost 8

31	Southern Miss*	0	Lexington	Aug. 31
6	South Carolina	31	Lexington	Sept. 7
12	Georgia*	13	Lexington	Sept. 14
41	Ohio	6	Lexington	Sept. 21
20	Ole Miss	17	Oxford	Sept. 28
13	Vanderbilt*	20	Lexington	Oct. 12
20	Florida*	48	Gainesville	Oct. 19
10	Auburn*	24	Lexington	Oct. 26
18	Tennesee*	28	Knoxville	Nov. 2
48	Murray State	6	Lexington	Nov. 16
14	Texas	31	Austin	Nov. 23
14	Louisville	41	Lexington	Nov. 30
247		**265**		

COACH: Mark Stoops

CAPTS: Barion Brown, Zion Childress, Eli Cox, Marqus Cox, Maxwell Hairston, D'Eryk Jackson, Dane Key, Deone Walker, J.J. Weaver, Brock Vandagriff

* 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

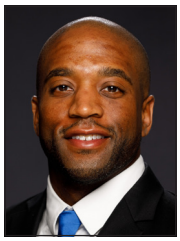
Jay Boulware came to Kentucky on Dec. 12, 2022, bringing a plethora of success to the Commonwealth. He has more than 25 years of coaching experience and has been a part of 17 teams that advanced to bowl games. Before UK, he served as an offensive intern in the NFL for the Pittsburgh Steelers, working 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 fifth 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 was 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



DEREK SHAY
TIGHT ENDS

Derek Shay is in his first season as Kentucky's tight ends coach, having previously served as the Wildcats' senior offensive analyst and run game specialist for the past 16 months. In that role, he played a key part in game planning and run scheme development, contributing to the overall success of Kentucky's offensive attack.

Shay, 34, has significant knowledge of the position, having developed his skills at Marshall (2023), LSU (2020, 2021), McNeese State (2019) and Bowling Green State (2014).

In 2024 for the Wildcats, Shay worked specifically with the offensive line and assistant coach Eric Wolford.

Shay arrived in the Bluegrass in March of 2024 after spending one season as the tight ends coach at Marshall in 2023. he served as a senior offensive analyst at Missouri in 2022. There, he worked closely with current UK offensive coordinator and former UM quarterbacks coach Bush Hamdan. He also directly oversaw UM's summer youth camps.

In July 2022, he was recognized by On3.com as one of the "65 Rising Star Support Staff Coaches."

2011-13	Student Assistant (TE/OL)	Eastern Illinois
2014-15	Graduate Assistant / Tight Ends	Bowling Green State
2015-17	Co-Offensive Coord./OL	Warren Central HS
2017-19	Co-Offensive Coord./OL	IMG Academy
2019-20	Tight Ends/Offensive Tackles	McNeese State
2020-22	Graduate Assistant / Tight Ends	LSU
2022-23	Senior Offensive Analyst	Missouri
2023-24	Tight Ends	Marshall
2024	Senior Offensive Analyst/Run Game	Kentucky
2025-present	Tight Ends	Kentucky



L'DAMIAN WASHINGTON
WIDE RECEIVERS

L'Damian Washington is in his first year as the wide receivers coach at Kentucky.

Washington came to the Bluegrass after two seasons (2023-24) as the wide receivers coach and pass game coordinator under head coach Alex Golesh at USF. He was the wide receivers coach in 2023 before adding pass game coordinator to his title in 2024. In his first season at USF in 2023, Washington helped the Bulls produce 12 team and 16 individual records, capping the biggest turnaround in program history (a six-win improvement). He also has spent time at Southern University, Oklahoma and Missouri.

2020	Director of Player Development	Missouri
2021	Wide Receivers	Southern Univ.
2022	Wide Receivers	Oklahoma
2023	Wide Receivers	South Florida
2024	Wide Receivers/Pass Game Coord.	South Florida
2025-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 Janurary 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 eighth 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 defensed, 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 2022 and 23 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.

A native of Youngstown, Ohio, Wolford, attended Ursuline High School where he was enshrined into the school's athletics Hall of Fame in 2009.

He received his bachelor's degree in social sciences with a focus on monetary policy and banking from Kansas State in 1994.

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

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

OFFENSIVE STARTERS

	TE/WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	WR	WR/TE	WR/TE	RB	QB
TOLEDO	Rodriguez	Pete	Braun	Burton	Farmer	Wollschlaeger	Maclin	Gilmore	Jo. Kattus	McGowan	Calzada
OLE MISS	Rodriguez	Pete	Braun	Burton	Farmer	Wollschlaeger	Maclin	Gilmore	Jo. Kattus	Dowdell	Calzada
E. MICHIGAN	Boyer	Pete	Braun	Burton	Farmer	Wollschlaeger	Maclin	Gilmore	Jo. Kattus	McGowan	Boley
at South Carolina	Rodriguez	Pete	Braun	Burton	Farmer	Wollschlaeger	Maclin	Law	Jo. Kattus	McGowan	Boley
at Georgia	Farrier	Pete	Braun	Burton	Farmer	Wollschlaeger	Maclin	Law	Jo. Kattus	McGowan	Boley
TEXAS	Rodriguez	Pete	Braun	Burton	Farmer	Wollschlaeger	C. Miller	Law	Jo. Kattus	McGowan	Boley
TENNESSEE	Rodriguez	Pete	Braun	Burton	Farmer	Wollschlaeger	C. Miller	Gilmore	Jo. Kattus	Dowdell	Boley
at Auburn											
FLORIDA											
TENNESSEE TECH											
at Vanderbilt											
at Louisville											

DEFENSIVE STARTERS

	CB	DE	NG	DT	LB/DE	MLB	WLB	NICK/LB	SS	FS	CB
TOLEDO	Hardaway	Humphrey-Grace	Gusta	Saunders	Greene	Rayner	Afari Jr.	Scott	Bryant	Lovett	Waller
OLE MISS	Hardaway	Humphrey-Grace	Gusta	Saunders	Greene	Rayner	Afari Jr.	Scott	Bryant	Lovett	Nichols
E. MICHIGAN	Hardaway	Humphrey-Grace	Gusta	Saunders	Greene	Rayner	Afari Jr.	Scott	Bryant	Lovett	Nichols
at South Carolina	Hardaway	Humphrey-Grace	Gusta	Saunders	Greene	Rayner	Afari Jr.	Scott	Bryant	Lovett	Nichols
at Georgia	Hardaway	Humphrey-Grace	Gusta	Saunders	Greene	Rayner	Afari Jr.	Scott	Bryant	Lovett	Nichols
TEXAS	Hardaway	Humphrey-Grace	Gusta	Saunders	Greene	Rayner	Afari Jr.	Scott	Bryant	Lovett	Nichols
TENNESSEE	Hardaway	Humphrey-Grace	Gusta	Saunders	Greene	Rayner	Afari Jr.	Scott	Bryant	Lovett	Nichols
at Auburn											
FLORIDA											
TENNESSEE TECH											
at Vanderbilt											
at Louisville											

2025 SCORING DRIVE ANALYSIS

GAME-BY-GAME SCORING DRIVES

Game	Plays/Yards	Qtr./Clock	Res.	Scoring Play
TOL	7/29	1/6:27	TD	Calzada 1 yd rush
TOL	10/23	2/2:04	FG	Kauwe 45 yd field goal
TOL	12/76	4/12:30	TD	McGowan 6 yd rush
TOL	1/79	4/9:22	TD	Dowdell 79 yd rush
MISS	8/31	1/1:55	TD	McGowan 9 yd rush
MISS	4/17	2/14:17	FG	Kauwe 33 yd field goal
MISS	10/62	2/4:31	FG	Kauwe 31 yd field goal
MISS	6/75	3/5:38	TD	McGowan 8 yd rush
MISS	5/54	4/0:08	FG	Kauwe 39 yd field goal
EMU	2/10	1/14:11	TD	McGowan 4 yd rush
EMU	11/79	1/5:32	TD	McGowan 12 yd rush
EMU	5/54	2/10:18	TD	W. Rodriguez 3 yd pass from Boley
EMU	7/75	2/1:55	TD	Jo. Kattus 4 yd pass from Boley
EMU	7/30	3/8:13	FG	Kauwe 51 yd field goal
EMU	4/27	3/5:15	TD	McGowan 8 yd rush
EMU	7/51	4/13:16	FG	Kauwe 24 yd field goal
EMU	10/63	4/4:46	TD	Patterson 6 yd rush
SCAR	8/65	1/11:27	TD	McGowan 20 yd rush
SCAR	9/76	1/0:11	FG	Kauwe 27 yd field goal
SCAR	7/15	3/0:11	FG	Kauwe 42 yd field goal
UGA	4/75	2/14:21	TD	Jo. Kattus 29 yd pass from Boley
UGA	3/23	4/1:51	TD	Law 5 yd pass from Boley
TEXAS	15/53	3/4:09	FG	Kauwe 46 yd field goal
TEXAS	5/56	4/12:04	TD	Boley 16 yd rush
TEXAS	7/46	4/0:09	FG	Kauwe 45 yd field goal
TENN	2/75	1/6:19	TD	Law 71 yd pass from Boley
TENN	3/75	2/12:39	TD	DJ Miller 56 yd pass from Boley
TENN	16/96	2/1:37	TD	Hester 3 yd pass from Boley
TENN	10/75	3/0:54	TD	DJ Miller 28 yd pass from Boley (pass failed)
TENN	11/75	4/8:12	TD	Hester 7 yd pass from Boley

TD DRIVES

Yds	TD
0-9	0
10-19	1
20-29	3
30-39	1
40-49	0
50-59	2
60-69	2
70-79	10
80-89	0
90-99	1
Total	**20**

GAME OPENING DRIVES

	KENTUCKY		OPPONENT	
Game	Res/Pts	Yds	Res/Pts	Yds
TOLEDO	Punt/0	14	INT/0	0
OLE MISS	Punt/0	1	Punt/0	19
E. MICHIGAN	TD/7	10	INT/0	0
at South Carolina	TD/7	65	TD/7	75
at Georgia	Punt/0	21	TD/7	75
TEXAS	Downs/0	59	Punt/0	23
TENNESSEE	Punt/0	16	TD/7	75
at Auburn				
FLORIDA				
TENNESSEE TECH				
at Vanderbilt				
at Louisville				
Total/Avg	**14/2.0**	**186/26.6**	**21/3.0**	**267/38.1**

2ND HALF OPENING DRIVES

	KENTUCKY		OPPONENT	
Game	Res/Pts	Yds	Res/Pts	Yds
TOLEDO	Punt/0	49	Punt/0	8
OLE MISS	Punt/0	3	Punt/0	5
E. MICHIGAN	Punt/0	37	Punt/0	4
at South Carolina	Punt/0	24	Punt/0	18
at Georgia	Fumble/0	13	TD/7	38
TEXAS	FG/3	53	Punt/0	9
TENNESSEE	Punt/0	23	TD/7	70
at Auburn				
FLORIDA				
TENNESSEE TECH				
at Vanderbilt				
at Louisville				
Total/Avg	**3/0.4**	**202/28.9**	**14/2.0**	**152/21.7**

DRIVE ANALYSIS

Game	Total Drive	TD	FG	MFG	P	TO	4DN
TOLEDO	13	3	1	0	5	2	0
OLE MISS	14	2	3	0	6	0	2
E. MICHIGAN	12	6	2	0	3	0	0
at South Carolina	11	1	2	0	2	4	1
at Georgia	10	2	0	1	5	2	0
TEXAS	13	1	2	1	6	1	2
TENNESSEE	11	5	0	1	3	2	0
at Auburn							
FLORIDA							
TENNESSEE TECH							
at Vanderbilt							
at Louisville							
Totals	**84**	**20**	**10**	**3**	**30**	**11**	**4**

2025 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

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
KENTUCKY	24	17	31:41	43-220-3	10-23-1-85-0	66-305-3	8-15	2-1
Toledo	16	17	28:19	29-59-1	23-40-1-270-1	69-329-2	7-17	2-0
KENTUCKY	23	18	32:13	37-172-2	16-33-0-187-0	70-359-2	5-16	0-0
Ole Miss	30	20	27:47	48-220-3	13-24-2-235-0	72-455-3	3-13	0-0
KENTUCKY	48	25	29:56	46-252-4	12-21-0-240-2	67-492-6	5-11	1-0
Eastern Michigan	23	21	30:04	30-131-1	25-43-1-330-1	73-461-2	4-14	0-0
KENTUCKY	13	14	28:57	41-108-1	10-19-2-124-0	60-232-1	5-13	3-2
at South Carolina	35	19	31:03	48-178-3	12-15-0-196-0	63-341-3	8-15	1-0
KENTUCKY	14	19	26:22	22-45-0	25-42-1-225-2	64-270-2	3-11	1-1
at Georgia	35	26	33:38	44-180-4	18-27-2-245-1	71-425-5	8-12	0-0
KENTUCKY	13	26	39:23	46-137-1	31-40-1-395-0	86-395-1	7-18	4-0
Texas	16	8	20:37	28-47-1	12-27-0-132-0	55-179-1	5-16	0-0
KENTUCKY	34	25	36:03	37-146-0	26-36-1-330-5	73-476-5	5-11	2-1
Tennessee	56	25	23:57	33-108-4	20-26-0-396-3	59-504-7	4-8	0-0
KENTUCKY								
at Auburn								
KENTUCKY								
Florida								
KENTUCKY								
Tennessee Tech								
KENTUCKY								
at Vanderbilt								
KENTUCKY								
at Louisville								

GAME-BY GAME RUSHING

(No-Yds-TD)	Dowdell	McGowan	Patterson	Calzada	Boley
TOLEDO	14-129-1	18-78-1	0-0-0	10-14-1	0-0-0
OLE MISS	14-56-0	15-93-2	0-0-0	4-9-0	4-14-0
E. MICHIGAN	8-29-0	18-104-3	13-80-1	DNP (INJ)	5-24-0
at South Carolina	13-24-0	17-112-1	1-3-0	DNP (INJ)	8/-31-0
at Georgia	7-9-0	11-44-0	0-0-0	DNP	3/-5-0
TEXAS	11-27-0	14-45-0	7-20-0	DNP	14-45-1
TENNESSEE	12-52-0	DNP (INJ)	16-51-0	DNP	7-31-0
at Auburn					
FLORIDA					
TENNESSEE TECH					
at Vanderbilt					
at Louisville					

GAME-BY GAME RECEIVING

(Rec-Yds-TD)	Farrier II	D. Miller	Rodriguez	Hester	Law	Jo. Kattus	Gilmore IV	Maclin	C. Miller	McGowan
TOLEDO	1-6-0	0-0-0	2-31-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	3-43-0	2/-5-0	1-11-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
OLE MISS	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-9-0	0-0-0	6-44-0	2-8-0	2-54-0	2-56-0	0-0-0	1-5-0
E. MICHIGAN	1-33-0	0-0-0	2-28-1	0-0-0	2-25-0	3-61-1	2-48-0	1-36-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
at South Carolina	2-4-0	0-0-0	2-66-0	0-0-0	5-41-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-10-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Georgia	1-3-0	0-0-0	2-7-0	0-0-0	6-64-1	1-29-1	3-24-0	2-22-0	3-41-1	3-21-0
TEXAS	1-7-0	2-13-0	3-32-0	0-0-0	3-25-0	3-22-0	4-34-0	3-33-0	0-0-0	7-68-0
TENNESSEE	DNP	5-120-2	2-28-0	4-23-2	2-103-1	0-0-0	3-0-0	0-0-0	2-21-0	DNP (INJ)
at Auburn										
FLORIDA										
TENNESSEE TECH										
at Vanderbilt										
at Louisville										

GAME-BY-GAME PASSING

(Cmp-Att-Int-Yds-TD)	Calzada	Boley
TOLEDO	10-23-1-85-0	-
OLE MISS	15-30-0-149-0	1-3-0-38-0
E. MICHIGAN	DNP (INJ)	12-21-0-240-2
at South Carolina	DNP (INJ)	10-19-2-124-0
at Georgia	DNP	25-41-1-225-2
TEXAS	DNP	31-39-1-258-0
TENNESSEE	DNP	26-36-1-330-5
at Auburn		
FLORIDA		
TENNESSEE TECH		
at Vanderbilt		
at Louisville		

GAME-BY-GAME PUNTING

(No-Yds-Avg-LG-In20)	Laros	Berry
TOLEDO	5-219-43.8-54-4	-
OLE MISS	6-255-42.5-55-2	-
E. MICHIGAN	3-152-50.7-54-2	-
at South Carolina	2-112-56.0-56-1	-
at Georgia	5-235-47.0-55-2	-
TEXAS	6-259-43.2-51-1	-
TENNESSEE	3-102-34.0-42-1	-
at Auburn		
FLORIDA		
TENNESSEE TECH		
at Vanderbilt		
at Louisville		

GAME-BY-GAME FG

FG Made (Miss)	Kauwe
TOLEDO	1 (0)
OLE MISS	3 (0)
E. MICHIGAN	2 (0)
at South Carolina	2 (0)
at Georgia	0 (1)
TEXAS	2 (1)
TENNESSEE	0 (1)
at Auburn	
FLORIDA	
TENNESSEE TECH	
at Vanderbilt	
at Louisville	

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

Game	Saunders	Gusta	Hayes	Je. Smith	Gadson	Humphrey-Grace	Works
TOLEDO	0-0-0	1-1-0	2-0-0	4-0-0	3-1-0	0-0-0	1-0-0
OLE MISS	5-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-0	3-0.5-0	4-0-0	0-0-0
E. MICHIGAN	3-0-0	1-0.5-0.5	INJ	1-0-0	2-0-0	4-1.5-1	0-0-0
at South Carolina	3-0-0	3-0-0	3-0-0	2-0-0	4-1-1	3-2-1	0-0-0
at Georgia	6-0.5-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-1-0	4-0-0	4-0.5-0	3-1-0
TEXAS	2-0-0	4-0.5-0.5	0-0-0	0-0-0	4-0.5-0.5	3-0-0	1-0-0
TENNESSEE	3-1-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	2-1-0	3-0-0	2-0-0	1-0-0
at Auburn							
FLORIDA							
TENNESSEE TECH							
at Vanderbilt							
at Louisville							

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

Game	Greene	D. Rayner	Watson	Afari Jr.	Olds	Godfrey	Soles
TOLEDO	1-0-0-0	6-0-0-0	2-0-0-0	13-2-1-0	3-0-0-0	2-0-0-0	3-2-2-2 FF
OLE MISS	3-0-0-0	8-0-0-0	0-0-0-0	10-1-0-0	2-1-0-0	0-0-0-0	2-0-0-0
E. MICHIGAN	3-0-0-0	3-0-0-INT	1-0.5-0-0	3-0-0-0	0-0-0-0	3-0-0-0	0-0-0-1
at South Carolina	4-0-0-0	7-0-0-0	3-0-0-0	5-0-0-0	2-0-0-0	0-0-0-0	0-0-0-0
at Georgia	2-0-0-0	4-1-0-0	0-0-0-0	6-0.5-0-0	2-0-0-0	2-0-0-0	0-0-0-0
TEXAS	1-0-0-2 QBH	3-1-0-0	2-0-0-0	2-0-0-0	1-0.5-0.5-0	4-0.5-0.5-0	2-1-1-0
TENNESSEE	3-0-0-0	2-1-1-0	1-0-0-0	4-0-0-0	2-0-0-0	2-0-0-0	DNP
at Auburn							
FLORIDA							
TENNESSEE TECH							
at Vanderbilt							
at Louisville							

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

Game	Dunn	Hardaway	Scott	Waller Jr.	Ja. Smith	Lovett	Thomas	T. Bryant	Nichols	Dooley
TOLEDO	2-0-0	2-0-1	3-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-0	2-0-0	1-0-0	6-0-0	2-0-0	2-0-0
OLE MISS	0-0-0	7-0-0	3-1-0	INJ	2-0-0	9-0-1.5 TFL	0-0-0	10-0-2	2-2-0	2-0-0
E. MICHIGAN	1-0-0	6-0-0	3-0-0	INJ	3-0-0	8-0-0	0-0-0	5-0-0	2-1-0	2-0-0
at South Carolina	2-0-0	5-0-0	4-0-0	INJ	2-0-0	6-0-0	0-0-0	3-0-0	4-0-0	1-0-0
at Georgia	1-0-0	11-0-0	2-0-0	INJ	0-0-0	5-0-0	0-0-0	7-1-0	0-0-0	3-0-0
TEXAS	0-0-0	1-0-0	2-0-0	INJ	0-0-0	4-0-0	0-0-0	7-0-0	4-1-0	1-0-0
TENNESSEE	DNP	6-0-0	1-1-0	INJ	1-0-0	4-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-0	5-0-0	2-0-0
at Auburn										
FLORIDA										
TENNESSEE TECH										
at Vanderbilt										
at Louisville										

TURNOVERS

Opponent	FORCED BY KENTUCKY				FORCED BY OPPONENT			
	Fum	Int	Tot	Margin	Fum	Int	Tot	Opp Pts Off
TOLEDO	0	1	1	-1	1	1	2	0
OLE MISS	0	2	2	+2	0	0	0	0
E. MICHIGAN	0	1	1	+1	0	0	0	0
at South Carolina	0	0	0	-4	2	2	4	14
at Georgia	0	2	2	0	1	1	2	7
TEXAS	0	0	0	-1	0	1	1	0
TENNESSEE	0	0	0	-2	1	1	2	14
at Auburn								
FLORIDA								
TENNESSEE TECH								
at Vanderbilt								
at Louisville								
TOTALS	0	6	6	-5	5	6	11	35

KENTUCKY BIG PLAYS

Opponent	RUSHING					PASSING				SPECIAL TEAMS	
	15+	20+	30+	40+	50+	20+	30+	40+	50+	Block	Return for TD
TOLEDO	2	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
OLE MISS	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	1	0	0	0
E. MICHIGAN	3	1	0	0	0	7	4	0	0	0	0
at South Carolina	3	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
at Georgia	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0
TEXAS	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
TENNESSEE	2	0	0	0	0	4	3	2	2	0	0
at Auburn											
FLORIDA											
TENNESSEE TECH											
at Vanderbilt											
at Louisville											
TOTALS	13	3	1	1	1	18	11	4	3	0	0

OPPONENT BIG PLAYS

Opponent	RUSHING					PASSING				SPECIAL TEAMS	
	15+	20+	30+	40+	50+	20+	30+	40+	50+	Block	Return for TD
TOLEDO	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	0	0	0
OLE MISS	3	2	1	0	0	5	3	1	1	0	0
E. MICHIGAN	1	0	0	0	0	5	2	1	1	0	0
at South Carolina	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0
at Georgia	2	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	0
TEXAS	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0
TENNESSEE	1	0	0	0	0	6	5	4	3	0	0
at Auburn											
FLORIDA											
TENNESSEE TECH											
at Vanderbilt											
at Louisville											
TOTALS	9	3	1	0	0	27	15	7	6	0	0

DRIVE CHART STATISTICS

Opponent	No.	Avg Plays	Avg Yds	For TD	Avg Plays	Avg Yds
TOLEDO	13	5.1	23.5	3	6.7	61.3
OLE MISS	14	5.0	25.6	2	7.0	53.0
E. MICHIGAN	12	5.6	41.0	6	6.5	51.3
at South Carolina	11	5.5	21.1	1	8.0	65.0
at Georgia	10	6.4	27.0	2	3.5	46.5
TEXAS	13	6.6	30.4	1	5.0	56.0
TENNESSEE	11	6.6	43.3	5	8.4	79.2
at Auburn						
FLORIDA						
TENNESSEE TECH						
at Vanderbilt						
at Louisville						

2025 EXPLOSIVE PLAYS

RUNS 15+

Dowdell
16 yards
79 yards*
16 yards
3 rush, 111 yards, 37.0 avg., 1 TD

McGowan
18 yards
17 yards
18 yards
20 yards*
16 yards
5 rush, 89 yards, 17.8 avg., 1 TD

Patterson
29 yards
17 yards
2 rush, 46 yards, 23.0 avg., 0 TD

Law
16 yards
1 rush, 16 yards, 16.0 avg., 0 TD

Boley
16 yards*
16 yards
2 rush, 32 yards, 16.0 avg., 1 TD

Total: 13 rush, 294 yards, 22.6 avg., 3 TD

RECEIVING 20+

Gilmore IV
38 yards
32 yards
2 rec., 70 yards, 35.0 avg., 0 TD

Maclin
44 yards
36 yards
2 rec., 80 yards, 40.0 avg., 0 TD

Rodriguez
23 yards
25 yards
53 yards
3 rec., 101 yards, 33.7 avg., 0 TD

Jo. Kattus
23 yards
34 yards
29 yards*
3 rec., 86 yards, 28.7 avg., 1 TD

Law
23 yards
38 yards
22 yards
71 yards*
32 yards
5 rec., 186 yards, 37.2 avg., 1 TD

Farrier III
33 yards
2 rec., 33 yards, 33.0 avg., 0 TD

DJ Miller
56 yards*
28 yards*
2 rec., 84 yards, 42.0 avg., 2 TD

Total: 18 rec. for 640 yards, 35.6 avg., 4 TD

KICK RETURNS 30+

Total: 0 returns, 0 yards, 0.0 avg. 0 TD

PUNT RETURNS 20+

Bryant
25 yards
1 ret., 25 yards, 25.0 avg., 0 TD

Total: 1 return, 25 yards, 25.0 avg., 0 TD

DEFENSIVE RETURNS 20+

Grayton
20 yards (INT)
1 ret., 20 yards, 20.0 avg., 0 TD

Rayner
25 yards (INT)
1 ret., 25 yards, 25.0 avg., 0 TD

Total: 2 returns, 45 yards, 22.5 avg., 0 TD

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	2	2
60-69	0	0
50-59	2	1
40-49	1	0
30-39	6	0
20-29	12	3
TOTAL	**23**	**6**

20+ Plays By Type	No.	TD
Rushing	3	2
Passing	18	4
Punt returns	1	0
Kick returns (30+)	0	0
Interceptions	2	0
Fumble returns	0	0
TOTAL	**24**	**6**

OPPONENT BIG PLAYS

Total:	
Run (15+)	9 for 182 yds
Receiving (20+)	27 for 946 yds
Kick Returns (30+)	0 for 0 yds
Punt Returns (20+)	2 for 88 yds
Defensive Returns (20+)	3 for 131 yds

TOTAL: 41 for 1,347 yards (32.9 avg.)

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KENTUCKY 24, TOLEDO 16

AUG. 30, 2025 • LEXINGTON, KY.
KROGER FIELD (56,457)



Dante Dowdell rushed for 129 yards and a touchdown as Kentucky topped Toledo 24-16 at Kroger Field in the season opener.

Kentucky got 78 rushing yards from Seth McGowan. The Cats rushed for 252 total yards in the game.

Quarterback Zach Calzada and the UK passing game had their moments in the game. Calzada connected on 10 of 23 through the air for 85 yards. Josh Kattus caught a career-high three passes for 43 yards for the Cats.

The UK defense held Toledo in check for most of the afternoon. The Cats held the Rockets to just 59 yards on the ground. Senior linebacker Alex Afari led the defense with a career-high 13 tackles, including a sack and two tackles for loss. Davern Rayner and Ty Bryant each had six tackles for UK, while sophomore linebacker Steven Soles had two sacks for the Cats.

Kentucky received the opening kickoff and the Cats were able to make a first down when Calzada connected with Ja'Mori Maclin for an 11-yard gain. UK appeared to have another first down but Calzada's pass to JJ Hester was ruled incomplete after video review and the Cats were forced to punt.

Toledo took over at its own 10 yard line and on the second play of the possession, JQ Hardaway intercepted a Tucker Gleason pass and the Cats took over at the Toledo 29.

UK would turn to the ground game on the ensuing drive, which ended with a one-yard touchdown rush by Calzada. Jacob Kauwe added the point after and Kentucky led 7-0 with 6:27 remaining in the first quarter.

The UK defense held Toledo in check again on the next drive and the Rockets were forced to punt. Kentucky took over at its own 43 yard line with 4:02 left in the first period.

Kentucky would give the ball back on the third play of the next possession when Calzada was intercepted by Toledo's Nasir Bowles at the Toledo 46 yard line. The Rockets would drive deep into UK territory as the first quarter ended with the Cats leading 7-0.

The Rockets would get inside the UK five yard line, but on fourth and two, Afari stopped Gleason short of a first down and the Cats took over at their own three with 13:13 left in the half.

On the first play of the ensuing drive, Calzada was sacked in the end zone for a safety, making the score 7-2.

After the UK free kick, Toledo took over at its own 23 yard line. However, the Rockets were unable to do anything with the possession and were forced to punt. Kentucky took over at its own 47 with 11:25 left in the half.

On the second play of the next drive, Calzada hit tight end Willie Rodriguez for a big gain, but Rodriguez fumbled and Toledo recovered at its own 27. The Rockets would make one first down but the UK defense stopped Toledo on fourth and one near midfield and the Cats took over with 7:28 left in the half.

Kentucky got into Toledo territory but the drive stalled and the Cats settled for a 45-yard field goal from Kauwe, taking a 10-2 lead with 2:04 left in the half.

The Rockets made one first down before punting the ball back to the Cats with 1:07 left in the half. UK punted it back to Toledo and after one play, the half expired with Kentucky leading 10-2.

Toledo got the ball at the beginning of the third quarter, but the UK defense forced a three-and-out and the Rockets punted. Kentucky took over at its own 12 yard line.

Kentucky moved the ball into Toledo territory when Calzada connected with Kattus for 18 yards. However, the drive stalled and the Cats were forced to punt. Toledo took over at its own seven with 10:03 left in the third quarter.

After getting one first down, Toledo punted again and UK took over at its own 38 yard line with 8:21 left in the third quarter. The teams would then exchange punts before Kentucky was able to move the ball near the end of the quarter. Calzada and Kattus connected again, this time for 12 yards, followed by a 16-yard rush from Dante Dowdell got the Cats to the Toledo 35. UK was threatening as the quarter ended with the Cats leading 10-2.

On the sixth play of the fourth quarter, UK's Seth McGowan rushed for a six-yard touchdown to cap a 12-play, 76-yard drive. Kauwe added the extra point and UK led 17-2 with 12:30 left in the game.

Toledo answered with its first scoring drive of the game. The Rockets went 69 yards in seven plays, capped by a nine-yard touchdown run from Gleason. Dylan Cunanan added the point after and UK's lead was cut to 17-9 with 9:38 to play.

On the first play of the next drive, Dowdell broke loose on the right and scampered 79 yards for a touchdown. Kauwe added the PAT and Kentucky led 24-9 with 9:22 remaining.

Toledo was able to add a late touchdown, but Kentucky recovered an onside kick and ran out the clock to preserve the victory.

SCORING SUMMARY

Toledo	0	2	0	14	-	16
Kentucky	7	3	0	14	-	24

1st 06:27 UK - #5 Z.Calzada 1 yd rush (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 7-29, 03:38 0-7
2nd 13:08 TOL - #20 L.Long SAFETY, 00:05 2-7
2nd 02:04 UK - #91 J.Kauwe 45 yd FG, 10-23, 05:24 2-10
4th 12:30 UK - #3 S.McGowan 6 yd rush (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 12-76, 06:27 2-17
4th 09:38 TOL - #4 T.Gleason 9 yd rush (#45 D.Cunanan kick), 7-69, 02:45 9-17
4th 09:22 UK - #2 D.Dowdell 79 yd rush (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 1-79, 00:12 9-24
4th 01:55 TOL - #2 J.Vandeross III 20 yd pass from #4 T.Gleason (#45 D.Cunanan kick), 7-95, 02:28 16-24

TEAM STATISTICS	ROCKETS	CATS
First Downs	17	17
Rush Att./Net Rush	29/59	43/220
Passing C/A/I	23/40/1	10/23/1
Offensive Plays	69	66
Total Offense	329	305
Fumbles/Lost	2/0	2/1
Penalties/Yards	11/93	3/30
Punts/Average	6/37.8	5/43.8
Third-Down Conv.	7 of 17	8 of 15
Time of Possession	28:19	31:41

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING (ATT.-YD.-TD)
TOLEDO – Trayanum 14-41, Walendzak 3-11, Christian 3-5, Gleason 9-2-1
UK – Dowdell 14-129-1, McGowan 18-78-1, Calzada 1-(-1)-1

PASSING (COMP-ATT-INT-YARDS-TD)
TOLEDO - Gleason 23-40-1-270-1
UK – Calzada 10-23-1-85-0

RECEIVING (REC-YARDS-TD)
TOLEDO - Vandeross III 7-88-1, Trayanum 3-42, Rudolph 3-27, Peterson 2-21, Christian 2-20, Brown 1-39
UK – Kattus 3-43, Rodriguez 2-31, Gilmore 2(-5), Maclin 1-11, Farrier II 1-6, Dowdell 1-(-1)

TACKLES
TOLEDO - McNeil-Warren 11, Sherman 8, Smith 6, D'Appolonia 5, Awls 5, Long 5
UK - Afari Jr. - 13, Bryant 6, Rayner 6, Jerod Smith II 4

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NO. 20/14 OLE MISS 30, KENTUCKY 23

SEPT 6, 2025 • LEXINGTON, KY.
KROGER FIELD (58,346)



Seth McGowan rushed 15 times for 93 yards and two touchdowns, but Kentucky fell to No. 20/14 Ole Miss 30-23 at Kroger Field.

Zach Calzada was 15 of 30 through the air for 149 yards before leaving the game with an injury in the fourth quarter. Kendrick Law caught six passes for 44 yards, while Ja'Mori Maclin caught two passes for 56 yards.

Linebacker Alex Afari and safety Ty Bryant each had 10 tackles to lead Kentucky. Bryant added two interceptions in the game.

Ole Miss had the first possession of the game and, after making one first down, the Rebels were forced to punt. Kentucky took over at its own 35 yard line.

The Cats were unable to do anything with the possession and punted it back to the Rebels. Ole Miss took over at its own 36 with 11:26 still remaining in the first quarter.

Ole Miss was able to gain some traction on its next drive. The Rebels drove into UK territory but the drive stalled and a 51-yard field goal attempt by Lucas Carnerio hit the left upright and landed in the end zone, and the game remained scoreless.

Kentucky went three-and-out and punted it back to Ole Miss, which started its drive from its own 18 yards line. The Rebels would get one first down, but, on the fourth play of the drive, Bryant intercepted an Austin Simmons pass and returned it to the Ole Miss 31 yard line.

The Cats would get a pair of first downs and would get inside the Ole Miss 10 yard line. On second and goal, UK running back McGowan rushed up the middle for a nine-yard touchdown, giving the Cats the first points of the game. Jacob Kauwe added the PAT and UK led 7-0 with 1:55 left in the first quarter.

On the ensuing possession, Bryant again intercepted Simmons and returned it to the Ole Miss 32. On the first play of the drive, the Rebels were flagged for a facemask and the Cats were in the red zone. The first quarter would end with UK leading 7-0.

The UK drive would stall and Kauwe would make a 33-yard field goal to give Kentucky a 10-0 lead with 14:17 left in the first half.

Ole Miss would respond on its next drive. The Rebels covered 75 yards in just six plays, culminating with a one-yard touchdown run from Kewan Lacy. Carnerio added the point after and UK's lead was cut to 10-7 with 12:25 left in the half.

After a Kentucky three-and-out, Ole Miss took over at its own 30 yard line and the Rebels marched down the field to take their first lead of the game. The eight-play, 70-yard drive ended with a Damien Taylor one-yard touchdown run. Carnerio added the PAT and Ole Miss led 14-10 with 8:24 left in the half.

Kentucky would respond on the ensuing drive. The Cats drove into the red zone but the drive stalled. Kauwe would convert a 31-yard field goal and Ole Miss led 14-13 with 4:31 left in the half.

The Rebels would add a field goal and took a 17-13 lead into the half.

The first three drives of the third quarter ended in punts. Ole Miss broke that streak on the fourth drive of the half, their second, when Carnerio made a 28-yard field goal to give the Rebels a 20-13 lead with 8:48 to play in the third quarter.

Kentucky responded with a drive that tied the game. The Cats drove 75 yards in just six plays, with a Calzada completion to Ja'Mori Maclin covering 44 of those yards. McGowan would score on a nine-yard touchdown run around the left end. Kauwe added the PAT and the game was tied 20-20 with 5:38 left in the third quarter.

Ole Miss answered right back with a scoring drive. The Rebels went 75 yards in eight plays, culminating with a seven-yard touchdown run by Simmons. Carnerio added the extra points and Ole Miss led 27-20 with 2:20 left in the third quarter.

The Cats would punt on their next possession and Ole Miss took over at its own 18 near the end of the third quarter, which would end with the Rebels leading 27-20.

Early in the fourth quarter, Ole Miss was forced to punt and UK took over at its own 36 with 14:13 left in the game.

Kentucky would drive into the red zone on the next drive, but the Cats came up empty and Ole Miss took over, but the Rebels were forced to punt.

On UK's next drive, sophomore Cutter Boley took over at quarterback for an injured Calzada. The Cats quickly got into Ole Miss territory. However, Kentucky would turn the ball over on downs for the second consecutive drive and Ole Miss took over with 4:11 to play.

The teams each added late field goals to provide the final margin of victory.

SCORING SUMMARY

Ole Miss	0	17	10	3	-	30
Kentucky	7	3	7	3	-	23

1st 01:55 UK - #3 S.McGowan 9 yd rush (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 8-31, 04:19 0-7
2nd 14:17 UK - #91 J.Kauwe 33 yd FG, 5-17, 01:53 0-10
2nd 12:25 MISS - #5 K.Lacy 1 yd rush (#17 L.Carneiro kick), 6-75, 01:52 7-10
2nd 08:24 MISS - #12 D.Taylor 1 yd rush (#17 L.Carneiro kick), 8-70, 02:49 14-10
2nd 04:31 UK - #91 J.Kauwe 31 yd FG, 10-62, 03:53 14-13
2nd 01:05 MISS - #17 L.Carneiro 43 yd FG, 8-50, 03:26 17-13
3rd 08:48 MISS - #17 L.Carneiro 28 yd FG, 9-61, 03:39 20-13
3rd 05:38 UK - #3 S.McGowan 8 yd rush (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 6-75, 03:10 20-20
3rd 02:20 MISS - #13 A.Simmons 7 yd rush (#17 L.Carneiro kick), 8-75, 03:18 27-20
4th 01:10 MISS - #17 L.Carneiro 36 yd FG, 9-50, 03:00 30-20
4th 00:08 UK - #91 J.Kauwe 39 yd FG, 5-54, 01:02 30-23

TEAM STATISTICS	REBELS	CATS
First Downs	20	18
Rush Att./Net Rush	48/220	37/172
Passing C/A/I	13/24/2	16/33/0
Offensive Plays	72	70
Total Offense	455	359
Fumbles/Lost	0/0	0/0
Penalties/Yards	7/86	6/50
Punts/Average	4/40.8	6/42.5
Third-Down Conv.	3 of 13	5 of 16
Time of Possession	27:47	32:13

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING (ATT.-YD.-TD)
UM – Lacy 28-138-1, Simmons 8-44-1, Chambliss 3-13, Alexander 2-11, Taylor 4-10-1, Diggs 2-6
UK – McGowan 15-93-2, Dowdell 14-56, Boley 4-14, Calzada 4-9

PASSING (COMP-ATT-INT-YARDS-TD)
UM - Simmons 13-24-2-235-0
UK – Calzada 15-30-0-149-0, Boley 1-3-0-38-0

RECEIVING (REC-YARDS-TD)
UM - Wallace III 4-117, Alexander 4-68, Bruckler 2-10, Stribling 1-9, Lee 1-8, Lacy 1-4
UK – Law 6-44, Maclin 2-56, Gilmore IV 2-54, Dowdell 2-11, Kattus 2-8, Rodriguez 1-9, McGowan 1-5

TACKLES
UM - Harris 6, Dottery 6, Yates 6, Gushiken 5, Franklin 5
UK - Afari Jr. - 10, Bryant 10, Lovett 9, Rayner 8, Hardaway 7, Saunders 5

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KENTUCKY 48, EASTERN MICHIGAN 23

SEPT 13, 2025 • LEXINGTON, KY.
KROGER FIELD (58,489)



Seth McGowan carried 18 times for 104 yards and three touchdowns as Kentucky cruised past Eastern Michigan 48-23 at Kroger Field.

Jason Patterson had 13 carries for 80 yards and a touchdown. As a team, UK ran for 252 yards.

Redshirt freshman Cutter Boley got the start at quarterback and he made the most of his opportunity. Boley connected on 12 of 21 through the air for 240 yards and two touchdowns. The completions and yards were both career highs and the touchdown passes tied the two that Boley threw against Murray State last season.

Josh Kattus led UK with three receptions and 61 yards receiving. Kattus was on the other end of one of Boley's touchdown passes.

Jordan Lovett led Kentucky with eight tackles, while JQ Hardaway had six.

Eastern Michigan got the game's first possession, but Noah Kim's pass was intercepted by Daveren Rayner, who returned it to the EMU 10 yard line. Two plays later, McGowan scored on a four-yard touchdown run. Jacob Kauwe added the point after and UK led 7-0.

EMU would have more success on its next drive. The Eagles drove into UK territory but on fourth and two from the 22, the UK defense stopped Tavierre Dunlap short of the line to get, and the Cats took over at their own 21 with 10:41 still to play in the first quarter.

Kentucky (2-1) would get a first down via run before moving into EMU territory on a 23-yard pass play from Boley to tight end Kattus. Later in the drive, Boley hit tight end Willie Rodriguez for a 25-yard gain, getting the Cats to the EMU 24. After a personal foul penalty on the Eagles, McGowan scored his second touchdown of the game, this time on a 12-yard run, to extend the lead. Kauwe added the PAT and UK led 14-0 with 5:32 left in the first period.

On the next drive, the Eagles again drove into UK territory, and this time, their drive ended with points. A 38-yard field goal by Rudy Kessinger cut the UK lead to 14-3 with 2:20 left in the first.

Kentucky would punt on its next possession and EMU took over with 32 seconds remaining in the period, which would end with UK leading 14-3.

Eastern Michigan would punt early in the second quarter and a 25-yard punt return by Ty Bryant got the Cats to their own 46 yard line. On the first play from scrimmage, Kendrick Law rushed for 16 yards, getting the Cats into EMU territory. Two plays later, Boley connected with Hardley Gilmore for a 32-yard completion, getting UK to the EMU three yard line. Two plays later, Boley found Rodriguez for a three-yard touchdown. Kauwe made the point after and UK led 21-3 with 10:18 remaining in the half.

The Eagles would respond with another scoring drive. EMU used 10 plays to cover 56 yards, ending with a 37-yard field goal from Kessinger, which cut the UK lead to 21-6 with 5:19 left in the first half.

On the first play of the ensuing drive, Boley connected with Kattus for a 34-yard completion, getting the Cats to the EMU 41. McGowan then rushed for 17 and four yards and, two plays later, Boley found Kattus wide open for a four-yard touchdown. Kauwe added another point after and Kentucky led 28-6 with 1:55 left in the half.

EMU would answer by scoring its first touchdown of the game. Kim found Terry Lockett streaking down the right sideline in what resulted in a 64-yard touchdown. Kessinger added the PAT and the UK lead was cut to 28-13 with 1:36 left in the half.

Kentucky would be forced to punt and EMU got the ball back late in the half. The Eagles drove into UK territory and Kessinger converted a 50-yard field goal with three seconds left in the half, cutting the UK lead to 28-16. That would be the halftime score.

The Cats had the first possession of the third quarter. UK would make one first down but would punt and EMU took over at its own 20 with 12:40 to play in the third quarter. UK would return the favor, forcing Eastern Michigan to punt. The Cats took over at their own 37 with 10:51 left in the third quarter.

Kentucky used the ground game to get into EMU territory but the drive stalled and UK settled for a 51-yard field goal from Kauwe, extending the lead to 31-16 with 8:13 left in the third quarter.

The UK defense stopped Eastern Michigan on its next possession and the Eagles lined up to punt. However, it was a fake and the UK special teams were ready, stopping EMU short of the line to gain. UK took over at the EMU 27. On the fourth play of the ensuing drive, McGowan scored again, this time on an eight-yard rush. Kauwe added the PAT and UK extended its lead to 38-16 with 5:15 left in the period.

EMU would make a pair of first downs on its next drive, but the UK defense came up with a stop on a fourth-and-four play and the Cats took over at their own 43.

On the first play of the next drive, Boley found Ja'Mori Maclin for a 36 yard completion. The quarter would end with Kentucky on the doorstep of adding to its lead, which stood at 38-16 through three quarters.

Early in the fourth quarter, the UK drive stalled inside the EMU five yard line. Kentucky settled for a 24-yard Kauwe field goal, which extended the lead to 41-16 with 13:16 remaining.

Kentucky added another touchdown in the fourth quarter, when Jason Patterson scored on a six-yard run, marking his first career touchdown. Kauwe added another point after and UK led 48-16 with 4:46 to play.

Eastern Michigan added a touchdown late to provide the final margin.

SCORING SUMMARY

Eastern Michigan	3	13	0	7	-	23
Kentucky	14	14	10	10	-	48

1st 14:11 UK - #3 S.McGowan 4 yd rush (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 2-10, 00:39 0-7
1st 05:32 UK - #3 S.McGowan 12 yd rush (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 11-79, 05:09 0-14
1st 02:20 EMU - #46 R.Kessinger 38 yd FG, 8-55, 03:12 3-14
2nd 10:18 UK - #81 W.Rodriguez 3 yd pass from #8 C.Boley (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 5-54, 01:52 3-21
2nd 05:19 EMU - #46 R.Kessinger 37 yd FG, 10-56, 04:59 6-21
2nd 01:55 UK - #84 J.Kattus 4 yd pass from #8 C.Boley (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 7-75, 03:23 6-28
2nd 01:36 EMU - #2 T.Lockett 64 yd pass from #1 N.Kim (#46 R.Kessinger kick), 3-75, 00:19 13-28
2nd 00:03 EMU - #46 R.Kessinger 50 yd FG, 5-34, 00:47 16-28
3rd 08:13 UK - #91 J.Kauwe 51 yd FG, 7-30, 02:38 16-31
3rd 05:15 UK - #3 S.McGowan 8 yd rush (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 4-27, 01:21 16-38
4th 13:16 UK - #91 J.Kauwe 24 yd FG, 7-51, 03:38 16-41
4th 04:46 UK - #26 J.Patterson 6 yd rush (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 10-63, 05:20 16-48
4th 00:58 EMU - #1 N.Kim 5 yd rush (#46 R.Kessinger kick), 12-75, 03:48 23-48

TEAM STATISTICS	EAGLES	CATS
First Downs	21	25
Rush Att./Net Rush	30/131	46/252
Passing C/A/I	25/43/1	12/21/0
Offensive Plays	73	67
Total Offense	461	492
Fumbles/Lost	0/0	1/0
Penalties/Yards	7/45	7/68
Punts/Average	2/41.5	3/50.7
Third-Down Conv.	4 of 14	5 of 11
Time of Possession	30:04	29:56

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING (ATT.-YD.-TD)
EMU – McMillan 13-83, Kim 9-19-1, Dunlap 5-15, Prosper 2-14
UK – McGowan 18-104-3, Patterson 13-80-1, Dowdell 8-29, Boley 5-14, Law 1-16

PASSING (COMP-ATT-INT-YARDS-TD)
EMU - Kim 25-41-1-330-1, Lockett 0-1-0-0-0
UK – Boley 12-21-0-240-2

RECEIVING (REC-YARDS-TD)
EMU - Long 4-45, Wheeler 4-32, Lockett 3-90-1, Devereaux 3-31, Prosper 3-27, McMillan 3-33, Lemaster 2-16, Dunlap 1-39, Mattord 1-22, Floyd 1-6
UK – Kattus 3-61-1, Gilmore IV 2-48, Rodriguez 2-28-1, Law 2-25, Maclin 1-36, Farrier II 1-33, Patterson 1-9

TACKLES
EMU - Llewellyn 7, Patiemo 7, Marshall 5, Gilbert 5
UK - Lovett 8, Hardaway 6, Bryant 5

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SOUTH CAROLINA 35, KENTUCKY 13

SEPT 27, 2025 • COLUMBIA, S.C.
WILLIAMS-BRICE STADIUM (79,266)



Seth McGowan rushed for 112 yards and a touchdown, but Kentucky lost at South Carolina 35-13.

Cutter Boley, making his first start against a Southeastern Conference opponent, was 10 of 19 through the air for 124 yards. Kendrick Law caught five passes for 41 yards.

Daveren Rayner led the Cats with seven tackles, while Jordan Lovett had six.

Kentucky got the game's first possession and on the second play from scrimmage, a Boley pass to Kendrick Law produced an 11-yard gain and a first down. Two plays later, McGowan went around left end for 17 yards and another first down. The Cats would get another first down and would get into the red zone. On the next play, McGowan rushed up the middle and shook loose for a 20-yard touchdown, his seventh of the season. Jacob Kauwe added the point after and Kentucky led 7-0 with 11:27 left in the first quarter.

South Carolina would respond with a scoring drive of its own. The Gamecocks went 75 yards in 12 plays and scored on a 12-yard Rahsul Faison touchdown rush. William Joyce added the PAT and the game was tied 7-7 with 5:48 remaining in the first quarter.

Kentucky's next possession appeared to be going nowhere until Boley hit tight end Willie Rodriguez down the right sideline for a 54-yard gain, getting UK to the South Carolina 23. The Cats would get inside the 10 yard line, but the drive stalled and Kentucky settled for a 27-yard Kauwe field goal, taking a 10-7 lead with 58 seconds left in the quarter.

Early in the second quarter, the Gamecocks were forced to punt. A 16-yard punt gave the Cats good field position as they took over at their own 38.

The Cats crossed midfield but on a third down play, Boley was sacked by Dylan Stewart and the ball came loose. South Carolina's Jatius Geer scooped it up and scampered 40 yards for a touchdown. Joyce added the PAT and South Carolina grabbed a 14-10 lead with 11:28 left in the half.

On the second play of UK's next possession, Boley was intercepted by South Carolina's Gerald Kilgore, who returned it 45 yards for a touchdown. Joyce made another point after and the Gamecocks led 21-10 with 10:43 remaining in the half.

Kentucky started its next drive on its own 46 yard line after a penalty on the kickoff return. UK crossed midfield again, but on fourth and three, Boley's pass intended for Fred Farrier was out of bounds and the Cats turned it over on downs.

South Carolina would drive into UK territory on its next drive, but a big third-down sack by Mi'Quise Humphrey-Grace forced the Gamecocks into a punting situation. The punt was a good one and the Cats took over at their own five yard line with 4:55 remaining in the half.

The Cats would make one first down on the ensuing drive but on third and 13, Boley was intercepted by South Carolina's Brandon Cisse and the Gamecocks took over at the UK 43 with 2:05 to play in the half.

South Carolina would cover the 43 yards in five plays, ending with a Faison six-yard touchdown run and a Joyce PAT that made it 28-10 Gamecocks with 1:07 left in the half. That would be the halftime score.

The Gamecocks got the first possession of the third quarter. They would get one first down but would punt the ball away and Kentucky took over at its own 20.

Kentucky would get three first downs on its next possession, eventually getting across midfield. However, the Cats would punt and the Gamecocks took over at their own 20 with 8:12 remaining in the third quarter.

The Gamecocks made one first down on their next drive but the UK defense appeared to stop South Carolina. On fourth and 12, the Gamecocks faked a punt and appeared to make a first down. However, after review, the call was overturned and the Cats took over at the South Carolina 39 yard line.

Kentucky was able to turn the good field position into points. After making one first down, the drive stalled, but Kauwe nailed a 42-yard field goal to cut the deficit to 28-13 with 34 seconds left in the third quarter.

In the fourth quarter, South Carolina went on an eight-play, 84-yard drive, ending with a one-yard touchdown run by Matt Fuller. Joyce added the PAT and the Gamecocks took a 35-13 lead with 12:14 to play.

SCORING SUMMARY

Kentucky	10	0	3	0	-	13
South Carolina	7	21	0	7	-	35

1st 11:27 UKY - #3 S.McGowan 20 yd rush (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 8-65, 03:33 7-0
1st 05:48 USC - #1 R.Faison 12 yd rush (#45 W.Joyce kick), 12-75, 05:39 7-7
1st 00:58 UKY - #91 J.Kauwe 27 yd FG, 9-76, 04:48 10-7
2nd 11:28 USC - #12 J.Geer 41 yd fumble return (#45 W.Joyce kick), 02:37 10-14
2nd 10:43 USC - #23 G.Kilgore 45 yd interception return (#45 W.Joyce kick), 00:45 10-21
2nd 01:07 USC - #1 R.Faison 6 yd rush (#45 W.Joyce kick), 5-43, 00:58 10-28
3rd 00:34 UKY - #91 J.Kauwe 42 yd FG, 7-15, 03:30 13-28
4th 12:14 USC - #28 M.Fuller 1 yd rush (#45 W.Joyce kick), 8-84, 03:14 13-35

TEAM STATISTICS	CATS	COCKS
First Downs	14	19
Rush Att./Net Rush	41/108	48/178
Passing C/A/I	10/19/2	12/15/0
Offensive Plays	60	63
Total Offense	232	341
Fumbles/Lost	3/2	1/0
Penalties/Yards	6/36	5/65
Punts/Average	2/56.0	3/37.3
Third-Down Conv.	5 of 13	8 of 15
Time of Possession	28:57	31:03

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING (ATT.-YD.-TD)
USC - Sellers 14-81, Fuller 19-48-1, Adaway 7-26, Faison 8-23-2
UK – McGowan 17-112-1, Dowdell 13-24, Patterson 1-3, Boley 9-(-31)

PASSING (COMP-ATT-INT-YARDS-TD)
USC - Sellers 11-14-0-153-0, Love 1-1-0-10-0
UK – Boley 10-19-2-124-0

RECEIVING (REC-YARDS-TD)
USC - Jacobs 5-109, Hunt 1-15, Harbor 1-10, Brown II 1-10, Adaway III 1-7, Bennett Jr. 1-7, Rowe Jr. 1-6
UK - Law 5-41, Rodriguez 2-66, Maclin 2-10, Patterson 1-3

TACKLES
USC - Thomas Jr. 7, Smith 6, Johnson5
UK - Rayner 7, Lovett 6, Hardway 5, Afari 5

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#12/10 GEORGIA 35, KENTUCKY 14

OCT 4, 2025 • ATHENS, GA.
SANFORD STADIUM (93,033)



Quarterback Cutter Boley was 25 of 41 through the air for 207 yards and two touchdowns, but Kentucky lost at No. 12 Georgia 35-14 in Athens.

Kendrick Law caught six passes for 64 yards and a touchdown, while freshman Cam Miller caught three balls for 41 yards.

Kentucky (2-3, 0-3 Southeastern Conference) got 11 tackles from JQ Hardaway and seven from Ty Bryant.

Georgia (4-1, 2-1) got the game's first possession and the Bulldogs made the most of it. Georgia went 75 yards in 12 plays, ending with a Gunner Stockton touchdown rush from seven yards out. Peyton Woodring added the extra point and the Bulldogs led 7-0 with 8:51 left in the first quarter.

Kentucky was able to get a first down on its first possession on a pair of rushes by McGowan. However, the Cats were forced to punt and Aidan Laros boomed one 55 yards, pinning the Bulldogs inside their own five.

The Bulldogs started on their own four yard line, but they were able to get out of trouble quickly. In fact, Georgia would march 96 yards in 13 plays, ending with a six-yard touchdown run by Stockton. Woodring made the PAT and Georgia led 14-0 near the end of the first quarter.

The Cats got a big play when Boley hit Kendrick Law for a 38-yard gain, getting UK into Georgia territory. On the second play of the second quarter, Boley hit Josh Kattus over the middle and the tight end took it to the house for a 29-yard touchdown. Jacob Kauwe added the point after and UK cut the Georgia lead to 14-7 with 14:21 left in the half.

Georgia was moving the ball on its next drive before Jordan Lovett intercepted Stockton and returned it to the UK 28 yard line. However, the Cats were unable to do anything with the possession and would punt. Georgia took over at its own 19 with 11:09 left in the half.

The Bulldogs would be unable to do anything with the ensuing possession and punted it away, pinning Kentucky at its own one yard line. UK would punt the ball back and Georgia took over at the UK 40.

Georgia would take advantage of the good field position. The Bulldogs covered the 40 yards in six plays, ending with a three-yard touchdown run by Dillon Bell. Woodring added the PAT and Georgia led 21-7 with 2:45 left in the half.

Kentucky drove down the field, getting into the red zone just before the end of the half. Kauwe came on for a field goal, but it missed wide left and the half ended with Georgia leading 21-7.

In the third quarter, Kentucky got the ball first. On the fourth play of the drive, McGowan fumbled and Georgia recovered, taking over in UK territory. The Bulldogs took advantage again, covering 38 yards in five plays, ending with a three-yard touchdown run by Bell. Woodring made the PAT and Georgia led 28-7. The Bulldogs added another score and led 35-7 after three quarters.

In the fourth quarter, the Bulldogs appeared to be ready to add to the lead. But on a fourth down play inside the red zone, the UK defense stopped Georgia and took over on downs.

The Cats took that possession and compiled a 20-play, 79-yard drive. However, the drive ended with an interception on fourth down, and the Cats came away with no points.

After UK's Grant Grayton intercepted a pass, the Cats were able to mount a scoring drive. Boley found Law for a five-yard touchdown pass. The Kauwe extra point made it 35-14, which would be the final score.

SCORING SUMMARY

Kentucky	0	7	0	7	-	14
Georgia	14	7	14	0	-	35

1st 08:51 UGA - #14 G.Stockton 7 yd rush (#91 P.Woodring kick), 12-75, 06:09 0-7
1st 00:55 UGA - #14 G.Stockton 6 yd rush (#91 P.Woodring kick), 13-96, 05:15 0-14
2nd 14:21 UKY - #84 J.Kattus 29 yd pass from #8 C.Boley (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 4-75, 01:34 7-14
2nd 02:45 UGA - #86 D.Bell 3 yd rush (#91 P.Woodring kick), 6-40, 02:49 7-21
3rd 10:54 UGA - #86 D.Bell 3 yd rush (#91 P.Woodring kick), 5-38, 02:24 7-28
3rd 04:23 UGA - #32 C.Jones 16 yd pass from #14 G.Stockton (#91 P.Woodring kick), 9-71, 04:38 7-35
4th 01:51 UKY - #1 K.Law 5 yd pass from #8 C.Boley (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 3-23, 00:31 14-35

TEAM STATISTICS	CATS	DAWGS
First Downs	19	26
Rush Att./Net Rush	22/45	44/180
Passing C/A/I	25/42/1	18/27/2
Offensive Plays	64	71
Total Offense	270	425
Fumbles/Lost	1/1	1/0
Penalties/Yards	6/41	7/58
Punts/Average	5/47.0	1/60.0
Third-Down Conv.	3 of 11	8 of 12
Time of Possession	26:22	33:38

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING (ATT.-YD.-TD)
UGA - Bowens 15-70, Stockton 6-48-2, Frazier 7-34, Walker 3-18, McCray 5-13, Bell 2-6-2, Puglisi 2-2
UK – McGowan 11-44, Dowdell 7-9

PASSING (COMP-ATT-INT-YARDS-TD)
UGA - Stockton 15-23-1-196-1, Puglisi 3-4-1-49-0
UK – Boley 25-41-1-225-2

RECEIVING (REC-YARDS-TD)
UGA - Bell 4-68, Branch 4-18, Williams 3-48, Humphreys 2-35, Delp 1-36, Jones 1-16, Frazier 1-11, Young 1-9, Bowens 1-4
UK - Law 6-64-1, Miller 3-41, Gilmore 3-24, McGowan 3-21, Maclin 2-22, Rodriguez 2-7, Patterson 2(-1), Kattus 1-29-1, Boyer 1-13, Farrier 1-3, Dowdell 1-2

TACKLES
UGA - Williams 6, Allen 6, Johnson 5, Bolden 5, Robinson 4
UK - Hardaway 11, Bryant 7, Saunders 6, Afari 6, Lovett 5

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#21/17 TEXAS 16, KENTUCKY 13

OCT 18, 2025 • LEXINGTON, KY.
KROGER FIELD (60,937)



Cutter Boley connected on 31 of 38 through the air for 258 yards and also rushed for 45 yards and a touchdown, but Kentucky fell to No. 21 Texas 16-13, in overtime, at Kroger Field.

Kentucky (2-4, 0-4 Southeastern Conference) dominated the game statistically. UK had 395 yards of total offense to just 179 for Texas. UK rushed for 137 compared to just 47 for the Longhorns.

Texas (5-2, 2-1) got a pair of punt returns that led to very good field position and, on both occasions, the 'Horns took advantage.

Kentucky got the game's first possession and the Cats were able to move the ball on the stout Texas defense. Boley completed four of his first five passes as UK marched into UT territory. The Cats got into the red zone but on a fourth-and-one from the Texas 16 yard line, Dante Dowdell was stopped short of the line to gain and the Longhorns took over with 9:21 left in the first quarter.

Texas would get one first down on its first possession, but the Longhorns punted the ball back to the Cats, who took over at their own 32 yard line with 7:10 left in the period. However, Kentucky went three-and-out and punted it back to Texas, which took over at its own 13 with 6:13 remaining in the quarter.

The Longhorns made a pair of first downs on their next drive, but were unable to cross midfield before having to punt it back to the Cats, who took over at their own 19 yard line with 3:45 to play in the quarter. The game would be scoreless after one period.

As the second quarter got underway, the Cats were able to cross midfield but would be forced to punt again. Texas would take over at its own 20 with 12:39 left in the half.

Texas would drive into UK territory on its next possession, but again the Longhorns would be forced to punt. Kentucky took over on its own nine yard line with 9:04 left in the half.

The Cats went three-and-out and punted it back to Texas. The Longhorns got a 45-yard punt return from Ryan Niblett at UT took over at the UK five yard line. Three plays later, Texas got on the board when Quentrevion Wisner fumbled into the end zone and the ball was recovered by UT's DJ Campbell. Mason Shipley added the point after and the Longhorns led 7-0 with 6:22 left in the half.

Kentucky would make a pair of first downs on its next drive before a Boley pass was intercepted by Texas' Trey Moore at the UK 49. The Longhorns were unable to turn the good field position into points, and punted it back to the Cats, who took over at their own 10 yard line with 1:07 left in the half.

The Cats attempted to make the most of the final possession of the half. Boley connected on three passes in a row to get Kentucky across midfield with 23 seconds left in the half. With 13 seconds to play, Jacob Kauwe attempted a 53-yard field goal, but it missed left. Texas would take a knee and would take a 7-0 lead into the half.

Texas took the ball to start the second half but the UK defense forced a three-and-out and a subsequent punt. The Cats took over at their own 19 yard line.

Kentucky put together a solid drive, using both the air and ground attack to cover 53 yards in 15 plays. Kauwe converted a 46-yard field goal to cut the Texas lead to 7-3 with 4:09 left in the third quarter.

Texas would respond with a scoring drive of its own. The Longhorns went 40 yards in six plays, ending with a 53-yard field goal by Shipley, making it 10-3 Texas with 2:05 left in the half.

Kentucky went three-and-out and punted it back to Texas with just 32 seconds left in the third quarter. The Longhorns would lead 10-3 after three periods.

The first play of the fourth quarter was a Texas punt that UK's Ty Bryant returned to the UK 44 yard line. The Cats would respond with a Boley pass to Josh Kattus for 11 yards and an 11-yard rush from Jason Patterson. A pass interference penalty got UK into the red zone and then Boley scrambled for a 16-yard touchdown. Kauwe added the PAT and the game was tied 10-10 with 12:04 left in the game.

The UK defense forced another three-and-out on the next Texas possession. The Longhorns punted and UK took over at its own 14 with 10:47 to play. Kentucky would make one first down before punting it back to Texas, which took over at its own 24 yard line. UK returned the favor and punted it back to the Longhorns, who got another big return from Niblitt, who took it to the UK 42 with 2:36 left.

Texas got one first down and got to the UK 21 yard line before the Cats' defense stopped the drive. Shipley came on and made a 39-yard field goal to give the Longhorns a 13-10 lead.

Kentucky was not done. The Cats got the ball back with 51 seconds remaining and navigated down the field, covering 46 yards in seven plays. With nine seconds remaining, Kauwe made a 45-yard field goal to tie the game at 13-13. Texas would take a knee on their next possession and the game would go to overtime.

On the first play of overtime, Boley connected with Kendrick Law for a 22-yard completion, getting the Cats to the three. However, UK ran four and did not get in, and Texas got their opportunity.

The UK defense stood tall, keeping Texas at bay in overtime. However, on fourth down, Shipley came on and made a 45-yard field goal to win it for the Longhorns.

SCORING SUMMARY

Texas	0	7	3	3	3	-	16
Kentucky	0	0	3	10	0	-	13

2nd 06:22 UT - #5 Q.Wisner 1 yd rush (#49 M.Shipley kick), 3-5, 00:46 7-0
3rd 04:09 UK - #91 J.Kauwe 46 yd FG, 15-53, 08:44 7-3
3rd 02:05 UT - #49 M.Shipley 53 yd FG, 6-40, 02:04 10-3
4th 12:04 UK - #8 C.Boley 16 yd rush (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 5-56, 02:44 10-10
4th 00:57 UT - #49 M.Shipley 39 yd FG, 7-21, 01:39 13-10
4th 00:09 UK - #91 J.Kauwe 45 yd FG, 7-46, 00:42 13-13
OT1 00:00 UT - #49 M.Shipley 45 yd FG, 4--2 16-13

TEAM STATISTICS	HORNS	CATS
First Downs	8	26
Rush Att./Net Rush	28/47	46/137
Passing C/A/I	12/27/0	31/40/1
Offensive Plays	55	86
Total Offense	179	395
Fumbles/Lost	0/0	4/0
Penalties/Yards	7/50	3/25
Punts/Average	8/42.0	6/43.2
Third-Down Conv.	5 of 16	7 of 18
Time of Possession	20:37	39:23

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING (ATT.-YD.-TD)
UT - Wisner 12-37-1, Clark 3-13, Manning 11(-1)
UK – McGowan 14-45, Boley 14-24-1, Dowdell 11-27, Patterson 7-20

PASSING (COMP-ATT-INT-YARDS-TD)
UT - Manning 12-27-132-0
UK – Boley 31-39-1-258-0

RECEIVING (REC-YARDS-TD)
UT - Moore Jr. 3-37, Wingo 2-22, Wisner 2-16, Niblett 2-2, Mosley V 1-31, Washington 1-25
UK - McGowan 7-68, Gilmore IV 4-34, Maclin 3-33, Rodriguez 3-32, Law 3-25, Kattus 3-22, D. Miller 2-13, Patterson 2-4, Boyer 1-14, Farrier 1-7, Stellato 1-4, Dowdell 1-2

TACKLES
UT - Hill Jr. 12, Taaffe 10, McDonald 9, Guilbeau 6
UK - Bryant 7, Nichols 4, Lovett 4, Gadson 4, Godfrey 4, Gusta 4

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#17/17 TENNESSEE 56, KENTUCKY 34

OCT 25, 2025 • LEXINGTON, KY.
KROGER FIELD (60,153)



Redshirt freshman Cutter Boley had a huge game, but Kentucky fell to No. 17 Tennessee 56-34 at Kroger Field.

Boley hit on 26 of 35 through the air for a career-high 330 yards and a career-high five touchdowns. The five touchdowns set a Kentucky freshman record for touchdown passes in a game.

Kentucky (2-5, 0-5 Southeastern Conference) had a pair of players with 100-yard receiving games for the first time since 2022. DJ Miller caught five passes for 120 yards and two touchdowns, while teammate Kendrick Law caught two passes for 10 yards and a score.

UT (6-2, 3-2) got the first possession of the game and the Vols quickly got across midfield. Two plays later, Tennessee scored on a 35-yard touchdown pass from Joey Aguilar to Chris Brazzell. The PAT by Max Gilbert was good and the Vols led 7-0.

Kentucky's first possession saw the Cats get a first down on a pair of Boley scrambles, but UK would be forced to punt and the Vols took over at their own 17 yard line with 11:32 left in the first period.

The Kentucky defense would stand tall on the next drive, forcing a three-and-out when Daveren Rayner sacked Aguilar for an 11-yard loss. Tennessee punted and UK took over at its own 46.

On Kentucky's ensuing possession, the Cats faced a third-and-10 near midfield when Boley was intercepted by Edrees Farooq, who returned it 45 yards for a touchdown. Gilbert added the point after and the Vols led 14-0 with 6:56 left in the first quarter.

The Cats would strike back with a scoring drive of their own. On the second play of the possession, Boley hit Law in the flat, and the speedster turned the corner and outran the Tennessee defense for a touchdown. Jacob Kauwe added the extra point and UK cut the Tennessee lead to 14-7 with 6:19 left in the first period.

The teams would exchange punts before Tennessee struck again. The Vols covered 72 yards in just five plays, ending with a one-yard touchdown rush by Star Thomas. Gilbert added another PAT and the Vols led 21-7 with 1:49 left in the first.

On Kentucky's next possession, Hardley Gilmore IV caught a pass, but fumbled and a mad scramble ensued. In the end, Tennessee recovered inside the UK red zone. The quarter would expire with the Vols holding a 21-7 lead.

On the third play of the second quarter, DeSean Bishop scored on a one-yard touchdown rush. Gilbert added the PAT and Tennessee led 28-7.

Kentucky would strike back on its next possession with another big pass play. The Cats covered 75 yards in just three plays, ending with a 56-yard touchdown strike from Boley to Miller. Kauwe added the point after and UK cut the deficit to 28-14 with 12:39 left in the half.

The Vols would punt on their next possession and the Cats took over at their own four yard line with 10:12 left in the half. From there, UK would go on a very long drive, covering 96 yards in 16 plays, ending with a three-yard touchdown pass from Boley to JJ Hester. Kauwe added the point after and UK cut the deficit to 28-21 with 1:37 left in the half.

Tennessee made the most of the remaining time. The Vols marched 75 yards in 10 quick plays, culminating with a 13-yard touchdown pass from Aguilar to Ethan Davis. Gilbert made another PAT and the Vols led 35-21 with five seconds left in the half. That would be the halftime score.

Kentucky got the first possession of the third quarter. The Cats were able to move into Tennessee territory on a 32-yard completion from Boley to Law. However, the drive stalled and the Cats punted it back to the Vols, who took over at their own 30.

The Vols needed just two plays to cover the 70 yards. Aguilar connected with Mike Matthews for a 62-yard touchdown pass. Gilbert added the PAT and Tennessee led 42-21.

On the ensuing drive, Kentucky was again able to march into Tennessee territory. However, the drive stalled and Kauwe's 55-yard field goal came up just short. The Vols would score on the following drive to extend the lead to 49-21.

Kentucky would respond with a scoring drive of its own. UK went 75 yards in 10 plays, culminating with a 28-yard touchdown pass from Boley to Miller. UK went for two, but was unsuccessful, leaving the score at 49-27. That would be the score after three quarters.

Early in the fourth quarter, the Vols extended their lead to 56-27. The Cats would score again, on Boley's fifth touchdown of the night. The freshman connected with Hester for a second time, this one a seven-yard score. Kauwe's PAT made it 56-34.

SCORING SUMMARY

Tennessee	21	14	14	7	-	56
Kentucky	7	14	6	7	-	34

1st 13:41 UT - #17 C.Brazzell II 35 yd pass from #6 J.Aguilar (#90 M.Gilbert kick), 4-75, 01:19 7-0
1st 06:56 UT - #15 E.Farooq 45 yd interception return (#90 M.Gilbert kick), 03:04 14-0
1st 06:19 UK - #1 K.Law 71 yd pass from #8 C.Boley (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 2-75, 00:37 14-7
1st 01:49 UT - #9 S.Thomas 1 yd rush (#90 M.Gilbert kick), 5-72, 02:11 21-7
2nd 13:52 UT - #18 D.Bishop 1 yd rush (#90 M.Gilbert kick), 4-6, 01:15 28-7
2nd 12:39 UK - #7 D.Miller 56 yd pass from #8 C.Boley (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 3-75, 01:13 28-14
2nd 01:37 UK - #4 J.Hester 3 yd pass from #8 C.Boley (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 16-96, 08:35 28-21
2nd 00:05 UT - #0 E.Davis 13 yd pass from #6 J.Aguilar (#90 M.Gilbert kick), 10-75, 01:32 35-21
3rd 10:40 UT - #4 M.Matthews 62 yd pass from #6 J.Aguilar (#90 M.Gilbert kick), 2-70, 00:25 42-21
3rd 05:46 UT - #2 P.Lewis 2 yd rush (#90 M.Gilbert kick), 5-63, 01:29 49-21
3rd 00:54 UK - #7 D.Miller 28 yd pass from #8 C.Boley (pass from #8 C.Boley failed), 10-75, 04:52 49-27
4th 13:35 UT - #18 D.Bishop 5 yd rush (#90 M.Gilbert kick), 6-75, 02:19 56-27
4th 08:12 UK - #4 J.Hester 7 yd pass from #8 C.Boley (#91 J.Kauwe kick), 11-75, 05:23 56-34

TEAM STATISTICS	VOLS	CATS
First Downs	25	25
Rush Att./Net Rush	33/108	37/146
Passing C/A/I	20/26/0	26/36/1
Offensive Plays	59	73
Total Offense	504	476
Fumbles/Lost	0/0	2/1
Penalties/Yards	6/56	8/73
Punts/Average	3/44.3	3/34.0
Third-Down Conv.	4 of 8	5 of 11
Time of Possession	23:57	36:03

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING (ATT.-YD.-TD)
UT - Thomas 10-64-1, Bishop 14-48-2, Lewis 4-9-1
UK – Dowdell 12-52, Patterson 16-51, Boley 7-31, Law 1-13

PASSING (COMP-ATT-INT-YARDS-TD)
UT - Aguilar 20-26-0-396-3
UK – Boley 26-35-1-330-5; Law 0-1-0-0-0

RECEIVING (REC-YARDS-TD)
UT - Matthews 6-107-1, Staley 6-105, Brazzell II 4-138-1, Davis 2-23-1, Jackson 1-19, Kitselman 1-4
UK - Patterson 7-44, DJ Miller 5-120-2, Hester 4-23-2, Gilmore IV 3-0, Law 2-103-1, Rodriguez 2-28, C. Miller 2-21, Dowdell 107

TACKLES
UT - Spillman 15, Telander 6, Hood 5, McMurray 5, Farooq 5
UK - Hardaway 6, Nichols 5, Afari 4, Lovett 4

2025-26 Kentucky Football
Combined Team Statistics
All games

Team Results

	Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
	08/30/2025	Toledo	W	24-16	56457
*	09/06/2025	Ole Miss	L	23-30	58346
	09/13/2025	Eastern Mich.	W	48-23	58489
*	09/27/2025	at South Carolina	L	13-35	79266
*	10/04/2025	at Georgia	L	14-35	93033
*	10/18/2025	Texas	Lot1	13-16	60937
*	10/25/2025	Tennessee	L	34-56	60153

Rushing

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Seth McGowan	6	93	487	11	476	5.1	7	20	79.3
Dante Dowdell	7	79	339	13	326	4.1	1	79	46.6
Jason Patterson	7	37	169	15	154	4.2	1	29	22.0
Cutter Boley	6	42	157	79	78	1.9	1	16	13.0
Kendrick Law	7	3	29	3	26	8.7	0	16	3.7
Zach Calzada	2	14	41	18	23	1.6	1	22	11.5
Team	7	3	0	3	-3	-1.0	0	0	-0.4
Total	**7**	**272**	**1222**	**142**	**1080**	**4.0**	**11**	**79**	**154.3**
Opponents	**7**	**260**	**1076**	**153**	**923**	**3.6**	**17**	**33**	**131.9**

Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Cutter Boley	6	143.5	105-158-5	66.5	1215	9	71	202.5
Zach Calzada	2	80.5	25-53-1	47.2	234	0	44	117.0
Kendrick Law	7	0.0	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Team	7	0.0	0-2-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	**7**	**125.9**	**130-214-6**	**60.7**	**1449**	**9**	**71**	**207.0**
Opponents	**7**	**138.4**	**123-202-6**	**60.9**	**1771**	**6**	**64**	**253.0**

Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Kendrick Law	7	24	302	12.6	2	71	43.1
Hardley Gilmore IV	7	16	155	9.7	0	38	22.1
Willie Rodriguez	7	14	201	14.4	1	53	28.7
Jason Patterson	7	13	59	4.5	0	19	8.4
Josh Kattus	7	12	163	13.6	2	34	23.3
Seth McGowan	6	11	94	8.5	0	17	15.7
Ja'Mori Maclin	7	11	152	13.8	0	44	21.7
DJ Miller	2	7	133	19.0	2	56	66.5
Dante Dowdell	7	6	21	3.5	0	9	3.0
Cameron Miller	3	5	62	12.4	0	18	20.7
J.J. Hester	6	4	23	5.8	2	13	3.8
Fred Farrier II	6	4	53	13.3	0	33	8.8
Henry Boyer	7	2	27	13.5	0	14	3.9
Troy Stellato	4	1	4	4.0	0	4	1.0
Total	**7**	**130**	**1449**	**11.1**	**9**	**71**	**207.0**
Opponents	**7**	**123**	**1771**	**14.4**	**6**	**64**	**253.0**

Game Records

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES	2-5	2-3	0-2	0-0
CONFERENCE	0-5	0-3	0-2	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	2-0	2-0	0-0	0-0

Team Statistics

	UK	OPP
First Downs	**144**	**136**
Rushing	62	56
Passing	64	68
Penalty	18	12
Rushing Yardage	**1080**	**923**
Rushing attempts	272	260
Average per rush	4.0	3.6
Average per game	154.3	131.9
TDs Rushing	11	17
Passing Yardage	**1449**	**1771**
Comp-Att-Int	130-214-6	123-202-6
Average per pass	6.8	8.8
Average per catch	11.1	14.4
Average per game	207.0	253.0
TDs Passing	9	6
Total offense	**2529**	**2694**
Average per play	5.2	5.8
Average per game	361.3	384.9
Kick returns: #-Yards	**11-185**	**5-101**
Punt returns: #-Yards	**8-41**	**7-113**
Int returns: #-Yards	**6-91**	**6-93**
Fumbles-Lost	**12-5**	**3-0**
Penalties-Yards	**40-323**	**50-453**
Punts-Avg	**30-44.5**	**27-41.3**
Time of possession / game	**32:05**	**27:55**
3rd-down conversion	**38/94**	**39/94**
4th-down conversion	**5/12**	**6/15**
PAT-attempts	**(19-19) 100%**	**(26-26) 100%**
2-point conversion-attempts	**(0-1) 0%**	**(0-0) 0%**

Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Ty Bryant	2	25	12.5	0	14
Daveren Rayner	1	25	25.0	0	25
Jordan Lovett	1	20	20.0	0	20
JQ Hardaway	1	0	0.0	0	0
Grant Grayton	1	21	21.0	0	21
Total	**6**	**91**	**15.2**	**0**	**25**
Opponents	**6**	**93**	**15.5**	**2**	**45**

Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Jacob Kauwe	10-13	76.9	0-0	2-3	3-3	4-4	1-3	51	0
Opponents	**9-11**	**81.8**	**0-0**	**1-1**	**4-4**	**2-2**	**2-4**	**53**	**0**

Scoring

			PAT						
Player	**td**	**fg**	**kick**	**rush**	**rcv**	**pass**	**dxp**	**saf**	**pts**
Jacob Kauwe	-	10-13	19-19	-	-	-	-	-	49
Seth McGowan	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42
J.J. Hester	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Josh Kattus	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Kendrick Law	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
DJ Miller	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Zach Calzada	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Dante Dowdell	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Cutter Boley	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Jason Patterson	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Willie Rodriguez	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	**20**	**10-13**	**19-19**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**169**
Opponents	**26**	**9-11**	**26-26**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**211**

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
Kentucky	45	44	29	51	0	169
Opponents	45	81	41	41	3	211

Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Aidan Laros	30	1334	44.5	56	4	14	13	9	0
Total	**30**	**1334**	**44.5**	**56**	**4**	**14**	**13**	**9**	**0**
Opponents	**27**	**1114**	**41.3**	**60**	**1**	**8**	**10**	**7**	**0**

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Ty Bryant	7	36	5.1	0	25
Ja'Mori Maclin	1	5	5.0	0	5
Total	**8**	**41**	**5.1**	**0**	**25**
Opponents	**7**	**113**	**16.1**	**0**	**45**

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Kendrick Law	6	97	16.2	0	25
Jason Patterson	3	42	14.0	0	22
Ty Bryant	1	20	20.0	0	20
Hardley Gilmore IV	1	26	26.0	0	26
Total	**11**	**185**	**16.8**	**0**	**26**
Opponents	**5**	**101**	**20.2**	**0**	**31**

All Purpose

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Seth McGowan	6	476	94	0	0	0	570	95.0
Kendrick Law	7	26	302	0	97	0	425	60.7
Dante Dowdell	7	326	21	0	0	0	347	49.6
Jason Patterson	7	154	59	0	42	0	255	36.4
Willie Rodriguez	7	0	201	0	0	0	201	28.7
Hardley Gilmore IV	7	0	155	0	26	0	181	25.9
Josh Kattus	7	0	163	0	0	0	163	23.3
Ja'Mori Maclin	7	0	152	5	0	0	157	22.4
DJ Miller	2	0	133	0	0	0	133	66.5
Ty Bryant	7	0	0	36	20	25	81	11.6
Cutter Boley	6	78	0	0	0	0	78	13.0
Cameron Miller	3	0	62	0	0	0	62	20.7
Fred Farrier II	6	0	53	0	0	0	53	8.8
Henry Boyer	7	0	27	0	0	0	27	3.9
Daveren Rayner	7	0	0	0	0	25	25	3.6
Zach Calzada	2	23	0	0	0	0	23	11.5
J.J. Hester	6	0	23	0	0	0	23	3.8
Grant Grayton	4	0	0	0	0	21	21	5.3
Jordan Lovett	7	0	0	0	0	20	20	2.9
Troy Stellato	4	0	4	0	0	0	4	1.0
Total	**7**	**1080**	**1449**	**41**	**185**	**91**	**2846**	**406.6**
Opponents	**7**	**923**	**1771**	**113**	**101**	**93**	**3001**	**428.7**

Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Cutter Boley	6	200	78	1215	1293	215.5
Seth McGowan	6	93	476	0	476	79.3
Dante Dowdell	7	79	326	0	326	46.6
Zach Calzada	2	67	23	234	257	128.5
Jason Patterson	7	37	154	0	154	22.0
Kendrick Law	7	4	26	0	26	3.7
Total	**7**	**486**	**1080**	**1449**	**2529**	**361.3**
Opponents	**7**	**462**	**923**	**1771**	**2694**	**384.9**

Team Defense

			Tackles				Sacks	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
##	Player	gp	ua	a	tot	tfl/yds	no-yds	int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick	saf
3	Alex Afari Jr.	7	26	17	43	3.5-8	1-1	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
14	Ty Bryant	7	21	19	40	1.5-2	.	2-25	1	.	.	.	.	.
25	Jordan Lovett	7	26	12	38	2-2	.	1-20	.	.	.	.	.	.
6	JQ Hardaway	7	27	11	38	0.5-1	.	1-0	.	.	.	.	.	.
7	Daveren Rayner	7	15	18	33	3-13	1-11	1-25	.	1	.	.	.	.
94	Tavion Gadson	7	11	12	23	3-12	1.5-9	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
92	Kahlil Saunders	7	12	10	22	1.5-3	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
90	Mi'Quise Humphrey-Grace	7	13	7	20	4-35	2-30	.	2	4	.	.	.	.
12	Quay'sheed Scott	7	13	5	18	0.5-1	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.
20	Terhyon Nichols	7	11	7	18	1-2	.	.	5	2	.	.	.	.
2	Sam Greene	7	8	9	17	.	.	.	.	3	.	.	.	.
18	Cam Dooley	7	11	3	14	0.5-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
22	Grant Godfrey	7	2	11	13	0.5-3	0.5-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
95	Jerod Smith II	7	8	5	13	2-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1	Kameron Olds	7	5	7	12	1.5-6	0.5-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
60	David Gusta	7	2	8	10	2-8	1-6	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
9	Landyn Watson	7	4	5	9	0.5-2	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
24	Jaden Smith	6	4	5	9	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
15	Cedric "CJ" Works	7	8	.	8	1-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
35	Steven Soles Jr.	6	6	1	7	3-28	3-28	.	1	.	.	2	.	.
10	Jantzen Dunn	6	2	4	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
97	Josaih Hayes	6	2	3	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30	Grant Grayton	4	3	2	5	.	.	1-21	1	.	.	.	.	.
21	Nasir Addison	2	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
4	Martels Carter, Jr.	3	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1	Kendrick Law	7	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44	Antwan Smith	7	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
34	Lorenzo Cowan	4	2	.	2	1-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26	Andrew Purcell	1	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
75	Joshua Braun	7	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
48	Aidan Laros	7	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
52	Jalen Farmer	7	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
91	Jaden Williams	3	.	1	1	0.5-2	0.5-2	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
5	DJ Waller	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
42	Alex McLaughlin	7	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
19	Kevis Thomas	7	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
28	Demarcus Gardner	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Totals	**7**	**256**	**188**	**444**	**33-143**	**11-95**	**6-91**	**13**	**20**	**0-0**	**2**	**0**	**0**
	Opponents	7	300	164	464	45-199	17-93	6-93	26	19	5-38	9	0	1

Kentucky - Individual Game Highs

RUSHES	18	Seth McGowan vs Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
	18	Seth McGowan vs Toledo (08/30/2025)
YARDS RUSHING	129	Dante Dowdell vs Toledo (08/30/2025)
TD RUSHES	3	Seth McGowan vs Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
LONG RUSH	79	Dante Dowdell vs Toledo (08/30/2025)
PASS ATTEMPTS	41	Cutter Boley at Georgia (10/04/2025)
PASS COMPLETIONS	31	Cutter Boley vs Texas (10/18/2025)
YARDS PASSING	330	Cutter Boley vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
TD PASSES	5	Cutter Boley vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
LONG PASS	71	Cutter Boley vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
RECEPTIONS	7	Jason Patterson vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
	7	Seth McGowan vs Texas (10/18/2025)
YARDS RECEIVING	120	DJ Miller vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
TD RECEPTIONS	2	J.J. Hester vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
	2	DJ Miller vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
LONG RECEPTION	71	Kendrick Law vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
PUNTS	6	Aidan Laros vs Texas (10/18/2025)
	6	Aidan Laros vs Ole Miss (09/06/2025)
PUNTING AVG	56.0	Aidan Laros at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
LONG PUNT	56	Aidan Laros at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	4	Aidan Laros vs Toledo (08/30/2025)
LONG PUNT RETURN	25	Ty Bryant vs Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
LONG KICKOFF RETURN	26	Hardley Gilmore IV vs Texas (10/18/2025)
TACKLES	13	Alex Afari Jr. vs Toledo (08/30/2025)
SACKS	2	Steven Soles Jr. vs Toledo (08/30/2025)
TACKLES FOR LOSS	2	Mi'Quise Humphrey-Grace at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
	2	Alex Afari Jr. vs Toledo (08/30/2025)
	2	Steven Soles Jr. vs Toledo (08/30/2025)

Kentucky - Game Highs

RUSHES	46	Texas (10/18/2025)
	46	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
YARDS RUSHING	252	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
YARDS PER RUSH	5.5	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
TD RUSHES	4	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
PASS ATTEMPTS	42	at Georgia (10/04/2025)
PASS COMPLETIONS	31	Texas (10/18/2025)
YARDS PASSING	330	Tennessee (10/25/2025)
YARDS PER PASS	11.4	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
TD PASSES	5	Tennessee (10/25/2025)
TOTAL PLAYS	86	Texas (10/18/2025)
TOTAL OFFENSE	492	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
YARDS PER PLAY	7.3	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
POINTS	48	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
SACKS BY	3	Texas (10/18/2025)
	3	Toledo (08/30/2025)
FIRST DOWNS	26	Texas (10/18/2025)
PENALTIES	8	Tennessee (10/25/2025)
PENALTY YARDS	73	Tennessee (10/25/2025)
TURNOVERS	4	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
PUNTS	6	Texas (10/18/2025)
	6	Ole Miss (09/06/2025)
PUNTING AVG	56.0	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
LONG PUNT	56	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	4	Toledo (08/30/2025)
LONG PUNT RETURN	25	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)

Opponent - Game Lows

RUSHES	28	Texas (10/18/2025)
YARDS RUSHING	47	Texas (10/18/2025)
YARDS PER RUSH	1.7	Texas (10/18/2025)
TD RUSHES	1	Texas (10/18/2025)
	1	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
	1	Toledo (08/30/2025)
PASS ATTEMPTS	15	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
PASS COMPLETIONS	12	Texas (10/18/2025)
	12	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
YARDS PASSING	132	Texas (10/18/2025)
YARDS PER PASS	4.9	Texas (10/18/2025)
TD PASSES	0	Texas (10/18/2025)
	0	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
	0	Ole Miss (09/06/2025)
TOTAL PLAYS	55	Texas (10/18/2025)
TOTAL OFFENSE	179	Texas (10/18/2025)
YARDS PER PLAY	3.3	Texas (10/18/2025)
POINTS	16	Texas (10/18/2025)
	16	Toledo (08/30/2025)
SACKS BY	0	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
	0	Toledo (08/30/2025)
FIRST DOWNS	8	Texas (10/18/2025)
PENALTIES	5	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
PENALTY YARDS	45	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
INTERCEPTIONS BY	0	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
	0	Ole Miss (09/06/2025)
PUNTS	1	at Georgia (10/04/2025)
PUNTING AVG	37.3	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
LONG PUNT	42	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	0	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
	0	Ole Miss (09/06/2025)
LONG PUNT RETURN	0	Tennessee (10/25/2025)
	0	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
	0	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)

Kentucky - Game Lows

RUSHES	22	at Georgia (10/04/2025)
YARDS RUSHING	45	at Georgia (10/04/2025)
YARDS PER RUSH	2.0	at Georgia (10/04/2025)
TD RUSHES	0	Tennessee (10/25/2025)
	0	at Georgia (10/04/2025)
PASS ATTEMPTS	19	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
PASS COMPLETIONS	10	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
	10	Toledo (08/30/2025)
YARDS PASSING	85	Toledo (08/30/2025)
YARDS PER PASS	3.7	Toledo (08/30/2025)
TD PASSES	0	Texas (10/18/2025)
	0	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
	0	Ole Miss (09/06/2025)
	0	Toledo (08/30/2025)
TOTAL PLAYS	60	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
TOTAL OFFENSE	232	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
YARDS PER PLAY	3.9	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
POINTS	13	Texas (10/18/2025)
	13	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
SACKS BY	0	at Georgia (10/04/2025)
	0	Ole Miss (09/06/2025)
FIRST DOWNS	14	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
PENALTIES	3	Texas (10/18/2025)
	3	Toledo (08/30/2025)
PENALTY YARDS	25	Texas (10/18/2025)
INTERCEPTIONS BY	0	Tennessee (10/25/2025)
	0	Texas (10/18/2025)
	0	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
PUNTS	2	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
PUNTING AVG	34.0	Tennessee (10/25/2025)
LONG PUNT	42	Tennessee (10/25/2025)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	1	Tennessee (10/25/2025)
	1	Texas (10/18/2025)
	1	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
LONG PUNT RETURN	0	at Georgia (10/04/2025)
	0	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
	0	Ole Miss (09/06/2025)
	0	Toledo (08/30/2025)

Opponent - Individual Game Highs

RUSHES	28	Kewan Lacy vs Ole Miss (09/06/2025)
YARDS RUSHING	138	Kewan Lacy vs Ole Miss (09/06/2025)
TD RUSHES	2	DeSean Bishop vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
	2	Gunner Stockton at Georgia (10/04/2025)
	2	Dillon Bell at Georgia (10/04/2025)
	2	Rahsul Faison at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
LONG RUSH	33	Kewan Lacy vs Ole Miss (09/06/2025)
PASS ATTEMPTS	42	Noah Kim vs Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
PASS COMPLETIONS	25	Noah Kim vs Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
YARDS PASSING	396	Joey Aguilar vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
TD PASSES	3	Joey Aguilar vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
LONG PASS	64	Noah Kim vs Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
RECEPTIONS	7	Junior Vandeross III vs Toledo (08/30/2025)
YARDS RECEIVING	138	Chris Brazzell II vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
TD RECEPTIONS	1	Chris Brazzell II vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
	1	Ethan Davis vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
	1	Mike Matthews vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
	1	Cash Jones at Georgia (10/04/2025)
	1	Terry Lockett vs Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
	1	Junior Vandeross III vs Toledo (08/30/2025)
LONG RECEPTION	64	Terry Lockett vs Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
FIELD GOALS	3	Mason Shipley vs Texas (10/18/2025)
	3	Rudy Kessinger vs Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
	3	Lucas Carneiro vs Ole Miss (09/06/2025)
LONG FIELD GOALS	53	Mason Shipley vs Texas (10/18/2025)
PUNTS	8	Jack Bouwmeester vs Texas (10/18/2025)
PUNTING AVG	60.0	Brett Thorson at Georgia (10/04/2025)
LONG PUNT	60	Brett Thorson at Georgia (10/04/2025)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	6	Jack Bouwmeester vs Texas (10/18/2025)
LONG PUNT RETURN	45	Ryan Niblett vs Texas (10/18/2025)
LONG KICKOFF RETURN	31	Peyton Lewis vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
	31	Trayvon Rudolph vs Toledo (08/30/2025)
TACKLES	15	Edwin Spillman vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
SACKS	3	Colin Simmons vs Texas (10/18/2025)
TACKLES FOR LOSS	3	Colin Simmons vs Texas (10/18/2025)
INTERCEPTIONS	1	Edrees Farooq vs Tennessee (10/25/2025)
	1	Anthony Hill Jr. vs Texas (10/18/2025)
	1	Ellis Robinson IV at Georgia (10/04/2025)
	1	Gerald Kilgore at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
	1	Brandon Cisse at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
	1	Nasir Bowers vs Toledo (08/30/2025)

Opponent - Game Highs

RUSHES	48	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
	48	Ole Miss (09/06/2025)
YARDS RUSHING	220	Ole Miss (09/06/2025)
YARDS PER RUSH	4.6	Ole Miss (09/06/2025)
TD RUSHES	4	Tennessee (10/25/2025)
	4	at Georgia (10/04/2025)
PASS ATTEMPTS	43	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
PASS COMPLETIONS	25	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
YARDS PASSING	396	Tennessee (10/25/2025)
YARDS PER PASS	15.2	Tennessee (10/25/2025)
TD PASSES	3	Tennessee (10/25/2025)
TOTAL PLAYS	73	Eastern Mich. (09/13/2025)
TOTAL OFFENSE	504	Tennessee (10/25/2025)
YARDS PER PLAY	8.5	Tennessee (10/25/2025)
POINTS	56	Tennessee (10/25/2025)
SACKS BY	6	at South Carolina (09/27/2025)
FIRST DOWNS	26	at Georgia (10/04/2025)
PENALTIES	11	Toledo (08/30/2025)
PENALTY YARDS	93	Toledo (08/30/2025)
TURNOVERS	2	at Georgia (10/04/2025)
	2	Ole Miss (09/06/2025)
PUNTS	8	Texas (10/18/2025)
PUNTING AVG	60.0	at Georgia (10/04/2025)
LONG PUNT	60	at Georgia (10/04/2025)
PUNTS INSIDE 20	6	Texas (10/18/2025)
LONG PUNT RETURN	45	Texas (10/18/2025)

2025-26 Kentucky Football
Games Played
All games

##	Player	GP-GS	UT	UM	EMU	SC	UG	TX	UT
0	Troy Stellato	4/0	XXX	XXX	...	...	XXX	XXX	...
1	Kameron Olds	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
1	Kendrick Law	7/3	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	START	XXX
2	Sam Greene	7/7	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
2	Dante Dowdell	7/2	XXX	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START
3	Seth McGowan	6/5	START	XXX	START	START	START	START	...
3	Alex Afari Jr.	7/7	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
4	J.J. Hester	6/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX
4	Martels Carter, Jr.	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...
5	Zach Calzada	2/2	START	START	...	...	...	...	...
5	DJ Waller	1/1	START	...	...	...	...	...	...
6	JQ Hardaway	7/7	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
7	Daveren Rayner	7/7	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
7	DJ Miller	2/0	...	...	...	...	...	XXX	XXX
8	Cutter Boley	6/5	...	XXX	START	START	START	START	START
9	Ja'Mori Maclin	7/5	START	START	START	START	START	XXX	XXX
9	Landyn Watson	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
10	Jantzen Dunn	6/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
10	Jamarion Wilcox	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
11	Beau Allen	1/0	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...
12	Quay'sheed Scott	7/7	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
12	Stone Saunders	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
13	Fred Farrier II	6/1	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	XXX	...
13	Dyllon Williams	1/0	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...
14	Ty Bryant	7/7	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
14	Brennen Ward	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
15	Cedric "CJ" Works	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
16	Jacob Smith	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
17	Hardley Gilmore IV	7/4	START	START	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	START
18	Cam Dooley	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
18	Mikkel Skinner	2/0	...	...	...	...	...	XXX	XXX
19	Kevis Thomas	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
19	Montavin Quisenberry	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
20	Terhyon Nichols	7/6	XXX	START	START	START	START	START	START
21	Nasir Addison	2/0	...	...	...	XXX	...	...	XXX
22	Grant Godfrey	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
22	Cameron Miller	3/2	...	...	...	...	XXX	START	START
23	Brian Robinson	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
24	Jaden Smith	6/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	XXX
25	Jordan Lovett	7/7	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
26	Jason Patterson	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
26	Andrew Purcell	1/0	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...
28	Tovani Mizell	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
28	Demarcus Gardner	1/0	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...
29	Jackson Schulz	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
30	Grant Grayton	4/0	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
31	Quintavion Norman	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
32	Devin Smith	5/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...
33	Rico Crowder	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
34	Lorenzo Cowan	4/0	...	...	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX
35	Steven Soles Jr.	6/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
35	James Dalrymple	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
36	Chy Rivers	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
36	Andrew Weber	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
37	Spencer Leadbetter	1/0	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...
38	Devon Gusta	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
39	Saxton Howard	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
40	Aumad Edwards	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
42	Alex McLaughlin	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
44	Justin Kattus	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

##	Player	GP-GS	UT	UM	EMU	SC	UG	TX	UT
44	Antwan Smith	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
45	Kris Thompson	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
46	Rushaune Vilane	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
48	Aidan Laros	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
49	Wyatt Phyle	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
50	Alex Wollschlaeger	7/7	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
52	Jalen Farmer	7/7	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
53	Hayden Dawahare	5/0	XXX	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
53	Aba Selm	1/0	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...
55	Nic "Happy" Smith	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
56	Javeon Campbell	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
58	Evan Wibberley	2/0	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	XXX
59	David Laganga	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
60	David Gusta	7/7	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
61	Jason Ekperuoh	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
62	Jager Burton	7/7	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
63	Kyle Mixon	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
64	Jackson Bunn	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
66	Tino Merlo	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
67	Brady Pullins	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
68	Alexander DiMartino	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
69	Darrin Strey	1/0	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...
70	Rob Fogler	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
71	Malachi Wood	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
72	Hayes Johnson	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
73	Shiyazh Pete	7/7	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
74	Jermiel Atkins Jr.	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
75	Joshua Braun	7/7	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
76	Austin Ramsey	6/0	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
77	Bryan J. Auguste	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
78	Cameron Jones	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
79	Jay Clark	1/0	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...
80	Ashton Cozart	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
81	Willie Rodriguez	7/5	START	START	XXX	START	XXX	START	START
82	David Washington Jr.	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
83	Jack Monday	1/0	...	...	...	...	...	XXX	...
84	Josh Kattus	7/7	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
85	Elijah Brown	1/0	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...
86	Cole Lanter	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
87	Henry Boyer	7/1	XXX	XXX	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
88	Quintin Simmons Jr.	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
89	Preston Bowman	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
90	Mi'Quise Humphrey-Grace	7/7	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
91	Jaden Williams	4/0	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	...	...	XXX
91	Jacob Kauwe	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
92	Kahlil Saunders	7/7	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
93	Wilson Berry	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
93	Kalen Edwards	1/0	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...
94	Tavion Gadson	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
95	Jerod Smith II	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
97	Josaih Hayes	6/0	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
97	Zach Schreiner	0/0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
98	Kenyatta Hardge II	7/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX

2025 DEPTH CHART

OFFENSE (GAME 8)

Left Tackle
73 Shiyazh Pete, 6-8, 322, Sr-Tr, Navajo Nation (New Mexico State/Shiprock)
71 Malachi Wood, 6-8, 328, So-1L, Richmond, Ky. (Madison Central)

Left Guard
75 Joshua Braun, 6-6, 342, Gr-Tr, Live Oak, Fla. (Arkansas/Florida/Suwanee)
53 Aba Selm, 6-4, 323, Fr-RS, Independence, Ky. (Simon Kenton)

Center
62 Jager Burton, 6-4, 323, Sr-3L, Lexington, Ky. (Frederick Douglass)
58 Evan Wibberley, 6-5, 304, Jr-Tr, Edgewood, Ky. (Western Kentucky/Dixie Heights)

Right Guard
52 Jalen Farmer, 6-5, 318, Jr-1L, Covington, Ga. (Florida/Eastside)
79 Jay Clark, 6-4, 325, Fr-HS, Cleveland, Ohio (Northmont)

Right Tackle
50 Alex Wollschlaeger, 6-7, 311, Gr-Tr, Aurora, Ill. (Bowling Green State/Oswego East)
69 Darrin Strey, 6-7, 322, Fr-HS, Paw Paw, Mich. (Paw Paw)

Wide Receiver (X)
17 Hardley Gilmore IV, 6-1, 183, So-Tr, Belle Glade, Fla. (Nebraska/Kentucky/Pahokee)
or 4 J.J. Hester, 6-5, 203, Gr-Tr, Tulsa, Okla. (Oklahoma/Missouri/Booker T. Washington)
7 DJ Miller, 6-3, 204, Fr-HS, St. Louis, Mo. (Cardinal Ritter)

Wide Receiver (F)
1 Kendrick Law, 6-0, 205, Sr-Tr, Shreveport, La. (Alabama/Captain Shreve)
or 0 Troy Stellato, 6-1, 184, Sr-Tr, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Clemson/Cardinal Gibbons)
19 Montavin Quisenberry, 5-10, 170, Fr-HS, Danville, Ky. (Boyle County)

Wide Receiver (Z)
9 Ja'Mori Maclin, 5-11, 191, Sr-1L, Kirkwood, Mo. (North Texas/Missouri/Kirkwood)
or 13 Fred Farrier II, 6-1, 188, Sr-1L, Frankfort, Ky. (UAB/Franklin County)
22 Cameron Miller, 5-11, 167, Fr-HS, Camden, N.J. (Winslow Township)

Tight End (Y)
84 Josh Kattus, 6-4, 247, Sr-3L, Cincinnati, Ohio (Archbishop Moeller)
87 Henry Boyer, 6-6, 265, Jr-Tr, Chicago, Ill. (Illinois/Brother Rice)
or 85 Elijah Brown, 6-6, 258, Jr-Tr, Dayton, Ohio (UCF/FAU/Alabama/Wayne)

Tight End (F)
81 Willie Rodriguez, 6-4, 252, So-1L, Taylor Mill, Ky. (Covington Catholic)
18 Mikkel Skinner, 6-4, 231, Fr-HS, Greer, S.C. (Riverside)

Quarterback
8 Cutter Boley, 6-5, 220, Fr-RS, Hodgenville, Ky. (Lexington Christian)
5 Zach Calzada, 6-4, 230, Gr-Tr, Buford, Ga. (Incarnate Word/Auburn/Texas A&M/Lanier)
or 11 Beau Allen, 6-2, 211, Gr-Sq, Lexington, Ky. (Georgia Southern/Tarleton St./Lexington Catholic)

Running Back
2 Dante Dowdell, 6-2, 227, Jr-Tr, Picayune, Miss. (Nebraska/Oregon/Picayune)
or 3 Seth McGowan, 6-1, 215, Sr-Tr, Mesquite, Texas, (New Mexico State/Butler CC/Oklahoma/Poteet)

SPECIALISTS (GAME 8)

Kicker
91 Jacob Kauwe, 6-1, 212, Fr-RS, Billings, Mont. (Billings West)
97 Zach Schreiner, 6-0, 181, Gr-TR, Rocklin, Calif. (Sacramento State/American River JC/Whitney)

Kickoff
48 Aidan Laros, 6-2, 218, Sr-1L, Cape Town, South Africa (UT Martin/Charlotte/Northwood)
97 Zach Schreiner, 6-0, 181, Gr-TR, Rocklin, Calif. (Sacramento State/American River JC/Whitney)

Punter
48 Aidan Laros, 6-2, 218, Sr-1L, Cape Town, South Africa (UT Martin/Charlotte/Northwood)
93 Wilson Berry, 6-4, 214, Sr-2L, Maribyrnong, Australia (Maribyrnong College)

Long Snapper
42 Alex McLaughlin, 5-10, 228, Sr-1L, Weddington, N.C. (Illinois/NC State/Weddington)
59 David LaGanga, 6-0, 212, Jr-Tr, Staten Island, N.Y. (Lehigh/Xaverian)

Short Snapper
42 Alex McLaughlin, 5-10, 228, Sr-1L, Weddington, N.C. (Illinois/NC State/Weddington)
59 David LaGanga, 6-0, 212, Jr-Tr, Staten Island, N.Y. (Lehigh/Xaverian)

Holder
93 Wilson Berry, 6-4, 214, Sr-2L, Maribyrnong, Australia (Maribyrnong College)
48 Aidan Laros, 6-2, 218, Sr-1L, Cape Town, South Africa (UT Martin/Charlotte/Northwood)

Kickoff Return
1 Kendrick Law, 6-0, 205, Sr-Tr, Shreveport, La. (Alabama/Captain Shreve)
12 Quay'sheed Scott, 6-0, 196, So-1L, Marion, S.C. (Marion)

Punt Return
14 Ty Bryant, 6-0, 198, Jr-2L, Lexington, Ky. (Frederick Douglass)
0 Troy Stellato, 6-1, 184, Sr-Tr, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Clemson/Cardinal Gibbons)

DEFENSE (GAME 8)

Defensive End
90 Mi'Quise Humphrey-Grace, 6-4, 270, Jr-Tr, Cincinnati, Ohio (South Dakota/Princeton)
95 Jerod Smith II, 6-4, 275, So-1L, Somerset, Ky. (Corbin)

Nose Guard
60 David Gusta, 6-3, 317, Sr-Tr, San Bernardino, Calif. (Washington State/Cajon)
97 Josaih Hayes, 6-3, 322, Sr-3L, Horn Lake, Miss. (Horn Lake)

Defensive Tackle
92 Kahlil Saunders, 6-5, 293, Sr-3L, Huntsville, Ala. (Grissom)
94 Tavion Gadson, 6-5, 298, So-Sq, Savannah, Ga. (Jenkins)

Outside Linebacker (Jack)
2 Sam Greene, 6-2, 248, So-Tr, Washington, D.C. (Southern Cal/St. Frances Academy)
35 Steven Soles Jr., 6-2, 235, So-1L, Powell, Tenn. (Powell)
or 1 Kam Olds, 6-4, 252, Sr-Tr, Richmond, Va. (Kent State/Buffalo/Midlothian)

Middle Linebacker (Mike)
7 Daveren Rayner, 6-2, 217, Sr-1L, Indianapolis, Ind. (Northern Illinois/Lawrence Central)
22 Grant Godfrey, 6-3, 234, So-1L, Suwanee, Ga. (North Gwinnett)
or 9 Landyn Watson, 6-1. 242. Sr-Tr, Austin, Texas (Marshall/TCU/Hutto)

Weakside Linebacker (Will)
3 Alex Afari Jr., 6-2, 227, Sr-3L, Cincinnati, Ohio (Lakota West)
44 Antwan Smith, 6-3, 215, So-1L, Atlanta, Ga. (Westlake)

Med/Nickel
12 Quay'sheed Scott, 6-0, 196, So-1L, Marion, S.C. (Marion)
or 10 Jantzen Dunn, 6-0, 185, Sr-2L, Bowling Green, Ky. (Ohio State/South Warren)
or 24 Jaden Smith, 6-3, 208, Fr-RS, Charlotte, N.C. (West Charlotte)

Field Cornerback
5 DJ Waller Jr., 6-3, 203, Jr-1L, Youngstown, Ohio (Michigan/Chaney)
19 Kevis Thomas, 6-0, 181, Jr-Tr, Perry, Fla. (Maryland/Lowndes)

Boundary Cornerback
6 JQ Hardaway, 6-3, 193, Sr-2L, Columbus, Ga. (Cincinnati/Central-Phenix City - Ala.)
20 Terhyon Nichols, 5-11, 198, So-1L, Cincinnati, Ohio (Withrow)

Strong Safety
14 Ty Bryant, 6-0, 198, Jr-2L, Lexington, Ky. (Frederick Douglass)
18 Cam Dooley, 6-2, 208, So-1L, Valley, Ala. (Valley)

Free Safety
25 Jordan Lovett, 6-2, 208, Sr-3L, Radcliff, Ky. (North Hardin)
4 Martels Carter Jr., 6-0, 200, Fr-HS, Chattanooga, Tenn. (Paducah Tilghman – Ky.)