# MISSISSIPPI STATE

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### **SERIES HISTORY**

Overall	UA leads, 84-18-3
In Starkville	UA leads, 20-4
In Tuscaloosa	UA leads, 45-9-1
Neutral Sites	UA, 19-5-2
Last Meeting	UA won 41-0
(1	10/31/2020 in Tuscaloosa, Ala.)

#### **TELEVISION: ESPN**

Play-by-Play	Joe Tessitore
Analyst	Greg McElroy
Reporter	Katie George

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Analyst	
Reporter	

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## MISSISSIPPI STATE BULLDOGS (3-2, 1-1 SEC)

Head Coach: Mike Leach (BYU '83) Career Record: 146-99 (20th Season) MSU Record: 7-9 (2nd Season)



#### NO. 5/5 ALABAMA CRIMSON TIDE (5-1, 2-1 SEC)

Head Coach: Nick Saban (Kent State '73) Career Record: 261-66-1 (26th Season) Alabama Record: 170-24 (15th Season)

#### TALKING POINTS

- ► Since 2001. Mike Leach has defeated an AP Top 5 team five times, which is tied for fourth most among active FBS head coaches during that span.
- ► Leach owns three victories over ranked opponents in his first 16 games as Mississippi State's head coach. That's the most by an MSU head coach through his first 16 games.
- ► There have been 11 games of 400-plus passing yards in MSU history. Four of those performances have occurred in the first 16 games of the Leach era.
- ▶ QB Will Rogers' 14 passing touchdowns are the most by a Mississippi State quarterback through the first five games of a season in the last 15 years. That's more than Dak Presscott (13) in 2014 and Tyler Russell (10) in 2012.
- ▶ In the fourth quarter this season, Rogers leads the SEC in completion percentage (74.6), passing yards (509), passing touchdowns (5), fewest interceptions (0), completions for a first down (26) and completions for 15+ yards (10).
- ▶ WR Makai Polk is the only receiver in the SEC and one of eight nationally this season with 40+ receptions, 400+ receiving yards and 4+ receiving touchdowns (4).
- ▶ Polk caught 11 passes for first downs at Texas A&M after entering the game with 11 first-down receptions all season.



Will Rogers is the only QB in the SEC with 400+ passing yards and multiple touchdowns in the same game, and he's done so twice. He is one of four passers in the country with at least 14 TDs and two or fewer INTs.

## **PROVEN WINNER**

One of the most successful coaches in the history of college football, Mike Leach's 146 career wins are the second-most among active SEC coaches and sixth-most among active Power 5 coaches.

Coach	Wins
1. Nick Saban	261
2. Mike Leach	146
3. Jimbo Fisher	113
4. Dan Mullen	102
5. Bryan Harsin	80

### 2021 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS »









LSU

















LOUISIANA TECH Sept. 4 ESPNU W, 35-34

Sept. 11 ESPN2 W, 24-10

NC STATE

Sept. 18 ESPN2 L, 29-31

@ Memphis

Sept. 25 L, 25-28 @ 15 Texas A&M Oct. 2

SEC Network W, 26-22

5 Alabama Oct. 16 FSPN

**@ Vanderbilt** Oct. 23

SEC Network

Kentucky [HC] Oct. 30 TBD

ര Arkansas Nov. 6 TBD

@ Auburn Nov. 13 TBD

Tennessee State Nov. 20 TBD

Ole Miss Nov. 25 6:30 p.m. CT ESPN

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### **HEAD COACH MIKE LEACH**

Alma Mater:	BYU, 1983
Career Record:	146-99
Record at Mississippi State:	7-9
Record at Washington State:	55-47
Record at Texas Tech:	84-43

#### **ASSISTANT COACHES** LOCATION PB Tony Hughes (Associate HC/Nickelbacks) Zach Arnett (Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers) SL Matt Brock (Special Teams/Outside Linebackers) SL Darcel McBath (Cornerbacks) SL Eric Mele (Running Backs) SL Mason Miller (Offensive Line) SL Dave Nichol (Inside Receivers) SL PR Jeff Phelps (Defensive Line) Steve Spurrier Jr. (Outside Receivers) PB Jason Washington (Safeties) SL

#### **TEAM HISTORY**

 First Year of Football:
 1895

 Current Season:
 122nd

 All-Time Overall Record:
 568-594-39 (.489)

 All-Time SEC Record:
 203-380-13 (.352)

 All-Time Bowl Record:
 14-10 (.583)

#### STADIUM INFORMATION

Name: Davis Wade Stadium
Field Name: Scott Field
Capacity: 61,337
Surface: Hybrid Bermuda Grass (Certified Tifway 419)
Constructed: 1914

#### UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Location: Starkville, Miss.
Founded: February 28, 1878
Enrollment: 22,986
Colors: Maroon (PMS 202) and White
President: Dr. Mark Keenum
Athletics Director: John Cohen

#### **TALKING POINTS CONTINUED**

- ▶ Polk has totaled 430 receiving yards already this season, which trails only Justin Jenkins (576, 2003) for the most by a Bulldog in the team's first five games since 2000.
- ► State's offensive line has been much improved in the second year of the Air Raid as the Bulldogs have allowed the fewest number of tackles for loss [18.0] in the SEC this season.
- ▶ With the exception of LT **Charles Cross**, the Bulldogs' remaining four starting offensive linemen entered the 2021 season with just 53 combined career snaps at their current positions, including two who had never taken a snap at their respective 2021 positions.
- ► Since he arrived in 2020, defensive coordinator **Zach Arnett's** defense has allowed fewer than 150 rushing yards in 11 games, which is the third most in the SEC during that span. MSU is holding its opponents to just 107.88 rushing yards per game, which ranks second in the SEC during that span.
- ▶ The Bulldogs' run defense is one of the best in the nation. MSU has held seven of its 15 opponents since the start of 2020 to 100 yards or fewer on the ground. State has held the opponent below the 100-yard mark three times this year, and allowed just 101 yards in the season opener against Louisiana Tech (Sept. 4).
- ▶ MSU has recorded a takeaway in seven straight games with 14 (11 INT, 3 FR) in that span.
- ► The Bulldogs are allowing only 14.4 first downs per game this season, good for second in the SEC and eighth in the country. In SEC games this season, MSU has allowed the fewest rushing (14) and passing [14] first downs.
- ► MSU leads the SEC this season in percentage of its opponents offensive drives that lasted 2 minutes or less (49.18).
- ► CB **Emmanuel Forbes** is the SEC's active career leader in interceptions (7), which is tied for 18th in the FBS. He is tied for second in the FBS in picks since the start of his freshman season in 2020.
- ▶ A two-time national coach of the year, **Mike Leach** has won 145 games in 19-plus seasons as a head coach highlighted by two 11-win seasons, five 9-win seasons, and five 8-win seasons. He's the only active Power 5 head coach to produce an 11-win season at two different programs since 2008.
- ▶ Mike Leach's program returns 15 of 22 starters from last season (eight on offense and seven on defense). One of the youngest teams in college football last year, 26 Bulldogs made their first career start, tied for the FBS lead. Just over 50 percent of State's snaps were taken by first-time starters last season.
- ► The 2020 season saw MSU claim victories over multiple AP-ranked opponents away from home for the first time since 1980. State defeated No. 6 LSU, 44-34, in Baton Rouge to open the season and No. 22 Tulsa, 28-26, in a neutral matchup at the Armed Forces Bowl. In 1980, the Bulldogs toppled No. 18 Miami (Fla.) on the road, 34-31, before defeating No. 1 Alabama, 6-3, on a neutral field.

### **YEAR 2 OF LEACH ERA BEGINS**

- ▶ Mike Leach was hired as the 34th head coach in program history on Jan. 9, 2020. He previously spent eight seasons at Washington State where he was twice named Pac-12 Coach of the Year. In 2018, he was tabbed the AFCA National Coach of the Year for the second time in his career. Prior to his stint with the Cougars, Leach took Texas Tech to a bowl game in 10 consecutive seasons, setting a program record with 84 victories in his tenure.
- ▶ **Mike Leach** is the only active Power Five head coach to produce an 11-win season at two different programs since 2008 and one of two active FBS head coaches to win 50-plus games at multiple Power Five programs. He currently, ranks seventh among active Power 5 head coaches in career wins (143).

#### MISSISSIPPI STATE'S RECORD » WHEN PLAYING IN 2021 LEACH STREAK 0-0 0-0 W1 August September 3-2 4-2 W1 **October** 0-0 0-4 L7 November 0-0 1-2 L2 W2 December-January 0-0 2-1 **IN SEC PLAY** 2-4 0-1 L1 at home 1-0 2-4 W1 on the road **VS RANKED OPPONENTS** overall 1-0 3-3 W2 at home 0-0 0-1 L3 1-0 2-2 W1 on the road 0-0 1-0 W1 neutral 0-0 1-1 vs. Top 10 L1 **IN GAMES** decided by 7 pts or less 2-2 4-5 W1 decided by 3 pts or less 2-2 L2 1-2 Road during the day 0-1 1-2 L2 Road at night 1-0 1-3 W1 Home during the day 1-1 3-2 L1 1-2 W1 Home at night 1-0 WHEN SCORING less than 21 points 0-0 0-5 L15 21 or more points 3-2 7-4 W1 24 or more points 3-2 7-4 W1 30 or more points 1-0 3-0 W5 WHEN ALLOWING less than 21 points 1-0 2-0 W4 21 or more points 1-2 3-9 W1 24 or more points 0-2 2-8 L2 30 or more points 11 1-1 4-4 WHEN SCORING W4 3-0 8-1 MSU scores first Opponent scores first 0-2 1-8 L2 WHEN LEADING 3-0 7-1 W5 after the 1st qtr at halftime 2-1 6-1 W1 after the 3rd qtr 2-1 6-1 W1 WHEN TRAILING 0-2 0-5 L13 after the 1st gtr at halftime 1-1 1-7 L1 after the 3rd gtr 1-1 1-7 L1 WITH less than 300 yards 0-0 2-3 W1 400+ yards total offense 2-2 4-4 W1 500+ yards total offense 0-0 1-0 W6 600+ yards total offense 0-0 1-0 W7 less than 100 yards rush 3-1 5-8 W1 100+ yards rushing 0-1 2-1 L1 250+ yards passing 3-2 5-6 W1 300+ yards passing 2-2 3-5 W1 400+ yards passing 2-2 1-1 W1

#### THE AIR RAID IN YEAR 2

▶ In **Mike Leach's** first two coaching stops, the Air Raid offense has made significant strides from Year 1 to Year 2. At both Washington State and Texas Tech, Leach's second team improved by more than 35 passing yards per game while seeing significant increases to their touchdowns, completion percentage and passing efficiency.

WSU	COMP.	ATT.	PCT.	YDS	TD	INT	RTG.	YDS./GM.
2012	363	624	.582	3965	23	21	116.97	330.4
2013	470	756	.622	4784	36	24	124.69	368.0
Y1 » Y2	+107	+132	+.040	+819	+13	+3	+7.72	+37.6
TTU	COMP.	ATT.	PCT.	YDS	TD	INT	RTG.	YDS./GM.
<b>TTU</b> 2000	<b>COMP.</b> 373	<b>ATT.</b> 614	<b>PCT.</b> .607	<b>YDS</b> 3554	<b>TD</b> 21	<b>INT</b> 18	<b>RTG.</b> 114.79	YDS./GM. 295.7

#### **EYEING THE RECORD BOOK**

- ▶ Mike Leach's Air Raid offense has broken records at every school he's coached at over a 30-plus-year career. In just 22 games as the offensive coordinator at Kentucky, his offense broke 116 school records. Under his guidance, Washington State set or tied 42 school, Pac-12 or NCAA records in 2014 alone.
- ▶ 21 MSU passing and receiving records were broken by the Bulldogs in **Mike Leach's** first year.

<b>MSU OFFENSIVE</b>	RECORDS	<b>BROKEN IN 2020</b>
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<b>Team Game</b> Passing Attempts Completions Comp. Pct. (30 att.) Passing Yards	<b>Previous</b> 54 38 .744 (29-39) 508	Game LSU, 2015 at Arkansas, 2015 Florida State, 1968 at Arkansas, 2015	2020 Record 70, at Kentucky 45, at Ole Miss; at Kentucky^ .788 (41-52), at Georgia 623, at LSU
Individual Game Total Offense Passing Attempts Completions Consecutive Comp. Comp. Pct. (15 att.) Comp. Pct. (25 att.) Passing Yards Freshman Rcv. Yds. Freshman Pass Yds.	Previous 554, Dak Prescott 53, Joe Reed 38, Dak Prescott 11, Garrett Shrader .813, John Bond .766, Dak Prescott 508, Dak Prescott 148, Mardye McDole 421, Wesley Carroll	dame at Arkansas, 2015 at LSU, 1970 at Arkansas, 2015 Kentucky, 2019 at Tulane, 1982 Texas A&M, 2014 at Arkansas, 2015 at Auburn, 1977 vs. Arkansas, 2007	2020 Record 585, K.J. Costello, at LSU 61, Will Rogers, at Ole Miss^ 45, Will Rogers, at Ole Miss^ 12, K.J. Costello, Arkansas^ .833, Will Rogers, Texas A&M .788, Will Rogers, at Georgia^ 623, K.J. Costello, at LSU 176, Jaden Walley, at Ole Miss 440, Will Rogers, at Ole Miss
Team Season Passing Attempts Completions Comp. Pct. (30 att.) 100-yd Rcv. Games Individual Season	Previous 500 331 .662 7 times Previous	Year 2015 2015 2015 2015 Year	<b>2020 Record</b> 557 373 .700 (327-of-557) 7 times <b>2020 Record</b>
Completion Pct. Receptions by RB Receptions by Fr. Receiving Yds. by Fr.	.662, Dak Prescott 37, Justin Griffith 37, Justin Griffith 510, Mardye McDole	2015 1999 1999 1977	.691 (239-of-346), Will Rogers 60, Jo'quavious Marks 60, Jo'quavious Marks 718, Jaden Walley

<sup>^</sup> Record already tied or broken in 2021

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#### > BULLDOGS IN THE NFL »

NAME	MSU	TEAM	YR.	POS.
Johnathan Abram*	2017-18	Las Vegas	3	S
Denico Autry*	2012-13	Tennessee	8	DE
Hunter Bradley	2012-17	Green Bay	4	LS
Logan Cooke	2014-17	Jacksonville	4	P
Fletcher Cox*^	2009-11	Philadelphia	10	DT
Cameron Dantzler*	2016-19	Minnesota	2	CB
Greg Eiland	2016-20	Seattle	R	OT
Willie Gay Jr.*	2017-19	Kansas City	2	LB
J.T. Gray	2014-17	New Orleans	4	DB
Farrod Green+	2015-19	Indianapolis	1	TE
Gerri Green+	2017-18	Las Vegas	1	DE
Kylin Hill	2017-20	Green Bay	R	RB
Gabe Jackson*	2009-13	Seattle	8	OG
Elgton Jenkins*^	2014-18	Green Bay	3	OG
Chris Jones*^	2013-15	Kansas City	6	DT
Pernell McPhee*	2009-10	Baltimore	11	LB
Osirus Mitchell+	2016-20	Dallas	R	WR
Tyre Phillips*	2017-19	Baltimore	2	OT
Dak Prescott	2011-15	Dallas	6	QB
Will Redmond	2012-15	Green Bay	6	S
Chauncey Rivers	2017-19	Baltimore	1	LB
Jeffery Simmons*	2016-18	Tennessee	3	DL
Darius Slay*	2011-12	Philadelphia	9	CB
Preston Smith*	2011-14	Green Bay	7	LB
Marquiss Spencer	2016-20	Denver	R	DE
Montez Sweat*	2017-18	Washington	3	DE
Darryl Williams	2015-19	Kansas City	1	0L
K.J. Wright*	2007-10	Las Vegas	11	LB
Isaiah Zuber	2019	San Francisco	1	WR

- \* 2020 Regular Starter (50 percent of games)
- ^ 2020 Pro Bowl Selection
- + Practice Squad

## GRADUATES ON ROSTER »

- ► Jack Abraham (R-Sr., QB)
- ► Jamire Calvin (Gr., WR)
- Londyn Craft (R-Sr., S)
- ► Tucker Day (R-Sr., P)
- Landon Guidry (R-Sr., S)
- Scott Lashley (R-Sr., OL)
- C.J. Morgan (R-Sr., S)
- Fred Peters (Sr., S)
- ► Jaylon Reed (R-Jr., CB)
- ► Brandon Ruiz (R-Sr., K)
- LaQuinston Sharp (Sr., OL)
- ► Sherman Timbs (R-Sr., LB)
- Austin Williams (R-Sr., WR)

#### **50 BURGER**

- ▶ With its 51-32 victory against Missouri on Dec. 19, Mississippi State has now scored 50+ points in at least one game in 10 consecutive seasons. The 51 points were MSU's most in a game since the Bulldogs' 54-24 victory at Arkansas on Nov. 2, 2019.
- ► State has put up 50+ points five times since 2018, with three of those games coming against SEC opponentsh. MSU has scored 50+ points 18 times over the last 15 seasons and is 18-0 in those games.

## **RECORD RALLIES**

- ► **Mike Leach** has led record-setting comebacks at Texas Tech, Washington State and now Mississippi State.
- ► Leach's Texas Tech team overcame a 31-point deficit in the 2006 Insight Bowl, which is tied for the largest comeback in a bowl game in FBS history.
- ► WR **Jamire Calvin** played in the record-setting comebacks under Leach at both Mississippi State and Washington State.

#### SCHOOL-RECORD COMEBACK VICTORIES UNDER MIKE LEACH

School	Opponent (Date)	Deficit	Score	Time	Final	
Mississippi State	Louisiana Tech (9-4-2021)	20	14-34	13:11 (4th)	35-34	
Washington State	Boise State (9-10-2017)	21	10-31	10:53 (4th)	47-44 (3 OT)	
Texas Tech	vs. Minnesota (12-29-2006)	31	7-38	7:47 (3rd)	44-41 (OT)	

#### **RANKED ROAD RECORDS**

- Mike Leach has already defeated three AP-ranked opponents in road or neutral site contests with wins at then-No. 6 LSU (9/26/2020), vs. then-No. 22 Tulsa (12/31/2020) and at then-No. 15 Texas A&M (10/2/2021).
- Leach's three ranked wins are the most of any Bulldog head coach in his first 16 games and tied for second by an MSU head coach outside of Starkville in program history.
- Leach is tied for fifth in the nation since 2020 in wins over AP Top 15 opponents (2). Since 2001, he has defeated an AP Top 5 team five times, which is tied for fourth most among active FBS head coaches during that span.

#### **MSU RECORD BOOK: COACHES AP-RANKED WINS**

Rank	<b>Head Coach</b>	Road/Neutral	Rank	<b>Head Coach</b>	First 16 Games
1.	Emory Bellard	4	1.	Mike Leach	3
2.	Mike Leach	3	2.	Joe Moorhead	2
	Allyn McKeen	3	3.	Six Tied	1
4.	Dan Mullen	2			
	Rocky Felker	2			

### **CHUNK PLAYS**

- ► The Bulldogs are second in the SEC with 69 passes of 10 or more yards this year. Twenty of those have gone for 20 yards or more.
- ► State threw for more than 15 yards a dozen times in the season opener against Louisiana Tech. WR **Jaden Walley** made five catches in the game, all for 15 yards or more.
- ▶ Defensively, MSU has allowed just 15 runs to go for more than 10 yards this season, which is second in the SEC and tied for ninth in the FBS.

#### TOP GAMES »

## **400-YARD PASSING GAMES**

QB Will Rogers, So.

419, at Memphis 408 at Texas A&M

# **300-YARD PASSING GAMES** QB Will Rogers, So.

371. LSU

370. Louisiana Tech

# 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

WR Makai Polk, Jr.

136, Louisiana Tech 126, at Texas A&M

## 150-YARD ALL-PURPOSE GAMES

WR Lideatrick Griffin, So.

173, Louisiana Tech

#### > WEEKLY AWARDS >>

#### OL Charles Cross, So.

SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (Week 2)

#### QB Will Rogers, So.

Manning Award Stars of the Week (Week 1)
Manning Award Stars of the Week (Week 5)
Davey O'Brien Great 8 (Week 5)
SEC Co-Offensive Player of the Week (Week 5)

#### 2021 STAT LEADERS »

Points Scored	Three players tied (24)
Touchdowns	Three players tied (4)
Rushing Yards	RB Dillon Johnson (149)
Rushing Touchdowns	RB Jo'quavious Marks (2)
Receiving Yards	WR Makai Polk (430)
Receiving TD	WR Makai Polk (4)
	WR Jaden Walley (4)
Passing Yards	QB Will Rogers (1,862)
Passing TD	QB Will Rogers (14)
Tackles	LB Jett Johnson (37)
Tackles For Loss	DB Emmanuel Forbes (3.5)
Sacks	Three players tied (2.0)
Interceptions	DB Emmanuel Forbes (2)
	S Fred Peters (2)

#### **LEADING THE NATION**

► Several Bulldogs are among the FBS national and SEC leaders.

#### **FBS STATISTICAL LEADERS (TOP 25)**

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Player	Statistic	Value	FBS	SEC
DB Emmanuel Forbes	Interceptions/Game	0.4	22	3
	Total Interceptions	2	21	3
WR Lideatrick Griffin	Yards/Kick Return	43.8	1	1
	Kick Return Touchdowns	1	3	2
RB Dillon Johnson	Receptions/Game	6.2	25	4
RB Jo'quavious Marks	Receptions/Game	7.6	9	2
WR Makai Polk	Receptions/Game	9.2	3	1
QB Will Rogers	Completion Pct.	.757	2	1
	Completions/Game	43.0	1	1
	Passing Touchdowns	14	11	3
	Passing Yards	1,862	7	1
	Passing Yards/Game	372.4	3	1
	Points Responsible For/Game	17.2	17	3
	Total Offense/Game	371.2	5	1
S Fred Peters	Interceptions/Game	0.4	22	3
	Total Interceptions	2	21	3
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#### **MAKING THE GRADES**

- ► State has the FBS' No. 6 passing grade (90.1) as a team per PFF.
- ► MSU posted a season-high passing (85.3) grade in Week 5 at Texas A&M and its highest pass blocking (83.3) grade in Week 4 against LSU per PFF.
- ▶ QB **Will Rogers** is tied with Alabama's Bryce Young for the SEC's highest passing grade (90.1) and tied for 14th in the FBS. He is sixth among Power Five quarterbacks with 13 "Big Time Throws," which PFF defines as a pass with excellent ball location and timing, generally thrown further down the field and/or into a tighter window.
- ▶ RB **Jo'quavious Marks** leads all FBS running backs in hands/drop grade (90.8) and ranks fourth overall. He boasts the sixth-highest receiving grade (88.2) among FBS running backs.
- ▶ DT **Cameron Young** has posted the nation's No. 21 run defense grade (85.1) per PFF, which ranks ninth in the SEC.

#### YOUTH MOVEMENT

- ► Mississippi State is one of the most inexperienced teams in the SEC. Only two Bulldogs have started 20 or more games in their careers, **DT Jaden Crumedy** (23) and CB **Martin Emerson** (21), which is the fewest total in the SEC.
- ► Freshmen and sophomores have scored 14 of State's 18 touchdowns. When including QB **Will Rogers**' passing scores, underclassmen have been responsible for 28 touchdowns.
- ► True freshmen were responsible for 76 percent of the Bulldogs' touchdowns (22 of 29) in 2020, scoring 14 in 2020. Freshmen scored all of State's touchdowns at Georgia (Nov. 28 3) and vs. Tulsa (Dec. 31 4).
- ➤ 21 Bulldogs have made their MSU debuts in 2021 (WR Jamire Calvin, DE Randy Charlton, LB Ty Cooper, LS Colby Cox, S Janari Dean, WR Caleb Ducking, WR Christian Ford, S Jalen Green, LS Hayes Hammond, RB Ke'Travion Hargrove, WR Rufus Harvey, RB J.J. Jernighan, OL Nick Jones, DE Izuchukwu King Ani, K Nolan McCord, LB DeShawn Page, WR Makai Polk, RB Simeon Price, WR Rara Thomas and P Archer Traffor, WR Trip Wilson).

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#### ON THE LINE

- ► MSU's offensive line has shuffled this year, with almost every lineman playing a new position.
- ► LT **Charles Cross** is the only lineman returning to the same position he played previously. He played 738 snaps at left tackle last year and has already played 394 snaps there this year.
- Not including Cross, the remaining four linemen entered 2021 with a combined total of 53 snaps played at their current positions.
- ► The starting five on the O-line have played a total of 1,910 snaps this year after playing a total of 2,289 snaps across all positions in their careers prior to this season.
- ➤ State's offensive line has been much improved in the second year of the Air Raid as the Bulldogs have allowed the fewest number of tackles for loss (18.0) in the SEC this season.

#### **OFFENSIVE LINE SNAP COUNTS**

Pos.	Name	2021	<b>Prior At Position</b>	<b>Prior Career</b>
LT	Charles Cross	394	738	738
LG	Kameron Jones	367	0	416
С	LaQuinston Sharp	395	1	697
RG	Kwatrivous Johnson	382	0	247
RT	Scott Lashley	372	52*	191
	TOTAL	1,910	791	2,289

<sup>\*</sup>at Alabama

## SEC OFFENSIVE LINES COMBINED CAREER STARTS

Rank	School	Starts	Rank	School	Starts
1.	Arkansas	135	8.	Tennessee	95
2.	Vanderbilt	128	9.	Kentucky	87
3.	LSU	118	10.	Ole Miss	84
4.	Auburn	114	11.	Alabama	79
	Florida	114	12.	Texas A&M	65
6.	Missouri	113	13.	Georgia	63
7.	South Carolina	109	14.	Mississippi St.	62

#### **NEW AIR**

- ► There have been 11 games of 400-plus passing yards in Mississippi State history. Four of those performances have occurred in the first 16 games of the **Mike Leach** era.
- ► MSU had thrown for 400-plus yards just three times in the previous 141 games prior to Leach's arrival in Starkville.
- ► The Bulldogs lead the SEC and are one of 10 schools nationally with multiple 400-plus yard passing games in 2021.
- ► State's most recent 400-plus passing yard performance came in its 26-22 win at No. 15 Texas A&M on Oct. 2, 2021. QB **Will Rogers** completed 46 of 59 passes for 408 yards and three touchdowns in that game.

#### **MSU RECORD BOOK: 400-YARD PASSING GAMES**

Yds	Opponent	Date	Stats
623	at LSU	9-26-2020	36-of-60, 5TD
508	at Arkansas	11-21-2015	38-of-51, 5TD
466	Tulane	10-22-1994	21-of-30, 4TD
456	vs. Alabama (Birmingham)	11-4-1978	31-of-53, 1TD
453	vs. Georgia Tech (Miami)	12-31-2014	33-of-51, 5TD
440	at Ole Miss	11-28-2020	45-of-62, 3TD
421	at Arkansas (Little Rock)	11-17-2007	29-of-51, 4TD
419	at Memphis	9-18-2021	50-of-67, 3TD
417	Samford	10-29-2016	20-of-35, 5TD
408	at Texas A&M	10-2-2021	46-of-59, 3TD
405	at Florida	10-2-1993	24-of-44, 2TD

## THE AIR RAID THROUGH FIVE GAMES

- ► MSU's passing game has been one of the best on record by any team through its first five games of the season since 2000. Mike Leach-coached teams have posted eight of the top 10 five-game completion totals on record.
- ► The Bulldogs have completed the highest volume of passes (215) in a team's first five games.
- ► State's 14 passing touchdowns are the second most in school history through the first five games of a season (15 is the most in 2014).
- ► QB **Will Rogers** is one of two quarterbacks since 2000 to complete 200 or more passes in his team's first five games. (201 by Connor Halliday, Washington State, 2014).

#### NCAA TEAM COMPLETION LEADERS IN FIRST FIVE GAMES (SINCE 2000)

Rank	Name	Year	Cmp.	Att.	Pct.	Yds.	TD
1.	Mississippi State	2021	215	284	75.7	1862	14
2.	Texas Tech	2007	213	297	71.7	2618	27
3.	Washington State	2017	203	274	74.1	2070	19
4.	Washington State	2014	203	301	67.4	2404	21
5.	Texas Tech	2016	200	278	71.9	2720	25

# NCAA INDIVIDUAL COMPLETION LEADERS IN FIRST FIVE GAMES (SINCE 2000)

Rank	Name	Year	School	Cmp-Att-Int	Pct	Yds	TD
1.	Will Rogers (So.)	2021	MSU	215-284-2	.757	1862	14
2.	Connor Halliday (Sr.)	2014	WSU	201-299-7	.672	2318	20
3.	Luke Falk (So.)	2015	WSU	196-275-2	.713	1964	15
4.	Graham Harrell (Jr.)	2007	TTU	192-267-2	.719	2301	24
5.	Rakeem Cato (So.)	2012	MAR	187-268-5	.698	1920	15

# SEC INDIVIDUAL PASSING YARDS LEADERS IN FIRST FIVE GAMES (SINCE 2000)

Rank	Name	Year	School	Cmp-Att-Int	Pct	Yds	TD
1.	Mac Jones (Jr.)	2020	ALA	115-146-2	.788	1905	12
2.	Rex Grossman (So.)	2001	FLA	109-163-3	.669	1865	20
3.	Joe Burrow (Sr.)	2019	LSU	127-162-3	.784	1864	22
4.	Will Rogers (So.)	2021	MSU	215-284-2	.757	1862	14
5.	Kyle Trask (Sr.)	2020	FLA	125-182-3	.687	1815	22

### **ROGERS ON A ROLL**

- ▶ QB **Will Rogers** is riding a hot hand entering this week's game. In his last three games, Rogers has averaged 381.3 yards passing with three touchdowns in all three games while completing 143 of 188 attempts.
- ► He has thrown a touchdown pass in 11 straight games with 22 scores in that span. Since 2020, Rogers has tossed multiple touchdowns in seven different games, which is the second most among active SEC quarterbacks.
- ► Has connected with 11 different receivers this season and thrown touchdown passes to six of them.

## **EARLY RETURNS ON ROGERS**

- ► Through just 14 games and 11 starts, QB **Will Rogers** has moved to the top of State's career leaderboard in total offense. His 270.8 yards per game (3,791 total yards) currently leads all Bulldogs.
- ▶ Bulldog legend Dak Prescott held the record previously, averaging 242.8 yards per game of total offense (11,897 yards in 49 games), but Prescott recorded more than half of his career yardage in his senior season. With his senior year removed, Prescott averaged 155.1 yards per game (5,583 yards in 36 games).
- ▶ In his first 10 starts, Rogers was 360-for-501 with 21 TDs and 5 INTs.
- ► Rogers' five interceptions were the fewest by any quarterback in his first 10 starts in Leach's system, and his .719 completion percentage led all Leach passers.
- ▶ In 11 career starts, Rogers has thrown just five interceptions despite having 560 passing attempts (0.9 percent).

#### PASSERS IN THEIR FIRST 10 STARTS UNDER LEACH

Player	Team (Class)	Cmp-Att-Int	Cmp. %	Yds	TD
Will Rogers	MSU (FrSo.)	360-501-5	.719	3,120	21
Anthony Gordon	WSU (Sr.)	323-455-10	.710	3,794	34
Gardner Minshew	WSU (Gr.)	364-523-7	.696	3,855	29
Luke Falk	WSU (RFrSo.)	398-571-10	.697	4,312	36
Connor Halliday	WSU (RFrSoJr.)	249-430-22	.579	2,850	23
Seth Doege	TTU (RFrJr.)	309-458-6	.675	3,324	25
Taylor Potts	TTU (Jr.)	298-451-12	.661	3,346	22
Graham Harrell	TTU (So.)	322-470-9	.685	3,507	32
Cody Hodges	TTU (Sr.)	296-435-11	.680	3,673	28
Sonny Cumbie	TTU (Sr.)	351-536-17	.655	3,941	26
B.J. Symons	TTU (Sr.)	366-557-16	.657	4,741	44
Kliff Kingsbury	TTU (So.)	291-481-15	.605	2,887	17

#### **AIRING IT OUT**

- ▶ OB Will Rogers completed a school-record and SEC-record 50 passes at Memphis (Sept. 18) and completed 47 against LSU (Sept. 25), which ranks second in SEC history. Rogers holds six of the top seven single-game marks in program history, including each of the top four.
- Rogers is 12th passer nationwide with 50 completions in a game since 2000, and **Mike Leach** has coached five of the 12.

- ► The 50 completions at Memphis are tied for the sixth-most by any team under **Mike Leach** in his 20-year career.
- MSU passed for 419 yards against Memphis, which ranks eighth in program history and is the third-highest Bulldog total under Leach.
- ► MSU surpassed the 1,000 yards passing milestone after just three games, which is tied with the 2020 season for the fewest games needed to reach 1,000 yards through the air in school history.
- ► State completed 215 passes in just five games, the fewest number of games needed to reach the 200-completion mark in program history. The 2021 team already ranks eighth in MSU single-season historyl
- ► State's 67 passing attempts against the Tigers trail only its 70 attempts at Kentucky last year and LSU's 69 attempts against Auburn in 1999 for the most in a single game in SEC history.

#### **MSU RECORD BOOK: SINGLE-GAME COMPLETIONS**

Rank	Comp.	Name	Opponent	Date
1.	50	Will Rogers	at Memphis	9-18-2021
2.	47	Will Rogers	LSU	9-25-2021
3.	46	Will Rogers	at Texas A&M	10-2-2021
4.	45	Will Rogers	at Ole Miss	11-28-2020
5.	43	K.J. Costello	Arkansas	10-3-2020

### **RECORDS FOR ROGERS**

- ► QB **Will Rogers** broke nearly every freshman passing record last year despite starting just six games.
- Currently MSU's career leader in completion percentage: 72.1 percent (454-of-630). Career No. 2: 64.1 percent by K.J. Costello (134-of-209; 2020) Career No. 3: 62.8 percent by Dak Prescott (734-of-1169; 2012-15).
- ► Tied the MSU single-game record for consecutive completions with 12 against Louisiana Tech (Sept. 4) in the 2021 season opener.
- ► Broke his own MSU single-game-record with 50 completions at Memphis, which stands as the SEC record (Previous MSU: 45 by Rogers, at Ole Miss, 2020; Previous SEC: 47 by Tim Couch, Kentucky, vs. Arkansas, 1998).
- ► Holds the MSU freshman record with 1,976 yards, breaking Wayne Madkin's 1998 mark of 1,532 and ranking ninth in MSU single-season history.
- ► Holds MSU freshman record with 239 completions in 2020, which ranks third in MSU single-season history.
- ► Broke the single-season completion percentage record with a 69.1 percent mark (239-of-346), surpassing Dak Prescott's 66.2 percent mark in 2015 (316-of-477). Completion percentage ranked 10th nationally and led all freshmen passers in the FBS.
- Threw for an MSU freshman-single-game record 440 yards at Ole Miss (Nov. 28, 2020).
- ► Became the first Bulldog quarterback to complete 30 or more passes in four consecutive games in 2020 and is now riding another four-game streak.

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- ► Eight career 30-completion games is an MSU career record (Previous: 5 by Dak Prescott, 2012-15). Had four as a freshman.
- ▶ Only MSU freshman to throw for 300-plus yards in multiple games. Now boasts five career 300-yard passing games, which ranks second in MSU career history trailing only Dak Prescott (9, 2012-15).

#### TRUE FRESHMAN STARTING AT QB

- ► Prior to QB **Will Rogers** in 2020, head coach **Mike Leach** had never started a true freshman at quarterback during his coaching career. Rogers became just the seventh true freshman to start at quarterback for the Bulldogs since the NCAA began allowing freshmen to compete in 1972.
- ▶ Rogers threw for 226 yards, the most by a Bulldog true freshman in his first career start. He joined Todd Jordan as the only MSU true freshman quarterbacks to throw a touchdown in their first career start. He completed 35 passes, the most by a freshman in school history. MSU has won all seven games when a true freshman quarterback is making his first career start with four of those victories coming against SEC opponents. Below is a look at how all seven true freshmen passers fared in their first career start:

Player	Opponent (Year)	Cmp-Att-Int	Yds	TD	Lg
Will Rogers	Vanderbilt (2020)	35-46-0	226	1	17
Garrett Shrader	Kentucky (2019)	17-22-1	180	0	25
Keytaon Thompson	Louisville (2017)	11-20-1	127	0	29
Damian Williams	Ole Miss (2013)	8-18-1	82	0	20
Wesley Carroll	Gardner-Webb (2007)	4-8-0	42	0	18
Todd Jordan	Tulane (1989)	9-18-1	105	1	32
John Bond	Vanderbilt (1980)	6-15-0	72	0	

#### "TULU" TAKES IT BACK

- ► WR **Lideatrick Griffin** returned the opening kickoff 100 yards for a touchdown against NC State (Sept. 11). It was the fifth 100-yard kick return in program history and the first 100-yard return since Brandon Holloway did so against Southern Miss (Sept. 5, 2015).
- ► Griffin's kick return was the first time MSU had scored on its first kickoff return of a game since Jameon Lewis returned the second kickoff of the game 100 yards against Ole Miss on Nov. 24, 2012 following the Rebels' game-opening scoring drive.
- ► It was the first opening kickoff return for a touchdown since Kevin Prentiss returned the opening kick 91 yards at South Carolina on Sept. 26, 1998.
- ► The sophomore leads the nation in yards per return (43.8) and is one of 22 players to return a kick for a touchdown this year.
- ► Griffin posted a career-best 144 kick return yards against Louisiana Tech along with a then-career-long 70-yard return.
- ▶ Boasts three 100-yard kick return games and is one of five Bulldogs since 1992 with three or more 100-yard kick return games in their careers trailing Leon Berry, Fred Reid, Derek Pegues and Pig Prather, who all have four.
- ► Is the first Bulldog with 100+ kick return yards since Keith Mixon (106 yards, 5 returns) vs. Arkansas on Nov. 19, 2016.

- ▶ One of five SEC players and 20 players nationally with multiple all-purpose plays of 70 or more yards.
- ► Provided 261 of State's 393 yards on kick returns in 2020 and now has five career returns of 40+ yards.

# MSU RECORD BOOK: SINGLE-GAME KICK RETURN YARDS (SINCE 1998)

Name	Opponent (Date)	Ret.	Yds.	Yds./Ret.
Leon Berry	at Auburn (9-12-2009)	7	186	26.6
Leon Berry	Florida (10-24-2009)	7	184	26.3
Fred Reid	Kentucky (11-2-2002)	7	176	25.1
Derek Pegues	at LSU (9-27-2008)	7	166	23.7
Nick Turner	at Tennessee (11-15-2003)	7	163	23.3
Leon Berry	Alcorn State (10-2-2010)	3	153	51.0
Derek Pegues	vs. Arkansas (11-17-2007)	5	149	29.8
Leon Berry	Georgia Tech (10-3-2009)	3	145	48.3
Lideatrick Griffin	Louisiana Tech (9-4-2021)	4	144	36.0
Lideatrick Griffin	vs. Tulsa (12-31-2020)	4	138	34.5
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#### MAKING HIS MARKS

- ► RB **Jo'quavious Marks** posted his first career multi-touchdown game (2 rush, 1 rec) against Louisiana Tech (Sept. 4), including his first career receiving score.
- Marks is second on the team with 38 receptions, which leads all FBS running backs and is tied for 15th overall.
- ► His 90.8 hands/drop grade leads all FBS running backs and ranks fourth overall. His 88.2 receiving grade is sixth among running backs.
- ► Carried a career-high 13 times against LSU (Sept. 25) for 46 yards. Also caught nine passes for a career-high 67 yards and a touchdown.
- ► In 2020, Marks broke MSU's single-season records for receptions by both freshmen and running backs. MSU's overall school record is 88 catches set by Fred Ross in 2015, and Marks finished the season with 60 catches which was tied for ninth in program history.

#### **SPREADING THE LOVE**

- Mississippi State is the only school in the nation with three players who have recorded 30+ receptions this season (WR Makai Polk, 46; RB Jo'quavious Marks, 38; and RB Dillon Johnson, 31).
- ► The Bulldogs are the only SEC school with three players ranked in the top 20 in the conference in receiving yards per game (4 Polk, 86.0; 15 WR **Austin Williams**, 49.8; 18 WR **Malik Heath**, 47.5).
- ► State was the only program in the country to boast four players with 40 or more receptions in 2020. Auburn and No. 2 Clemson were the only programs with three such receivers.
- ► The Bulldogs were one of six teams that saw multiple players catch at least 50 passes, and it marked just the third time in MSU history that two Bulldogs reached the mark in the same year (2015 Fred Ross and De'Runnya Wilson, 1969 Sammy Milner and David Smith).

### STAYIN' FRESH

- ► MSU's true freshmen combined for 158 catches in 2020, the most by any true freshman group in the NCAA.
- RB **Jo'quavious Marks** was tied for the national lead among freshmen with 60 total receptions, which ranked fourth overall in the SEC.
- ► WR **Jaden Walley** ranked third among FBS freshmen with 52 catches, which trailed only Marks among SEC freshmen and ranked ninth in the league overall. Walley finished second among SEC freshmen with 65.3 receiving yards per game and fourth in yards per catch (13.8).

# 2020 NCAA TEAM LEADERS IN RECEPTIONS BY TRUE FRESHMEN

Rank	School	Rec.
1.	Mississippi State	158
2.	LSU	112
3.	Texas Tech	80
4.	Penn State	73
5.	Pittsburgh	69

#### **MSU RECORD BOOK: FRESHMAN RECEPTIONS**

Rank	Name	Rec.	Year	Yds.
1.	Jo'quavious Marks	60	2020	268
2.	Jaden Walley	52	2020	718
3.	Justin Griffith	37	1999	380
4.	Dillon Johnson	36	2020	157

#### **BULLDOGS' YAC ATTACK**

- ► The Bulldogs lead the SEC and rank second in the FBS in yards after catch in 2021.
- ► Four players are aveargeing more than seven yards after the catch this season: WR Lideatrick Griffin (8.3), WR Jamire Calvin (7.6), WR Rara Thomas (7.5) and RB Dillon Johnson (7.3).
- ► Mississippi State was one of eight Power Five teams in the nation with more than 1,500 yards after catch in 2020. The Bulldogs ranked second in the SEC in yards after catch and third nationally.

#### **MSU YARDS AFTER CATCH BY GAME**

Date	Opponent	Rec.	Yds.	YAC	Pct.
Sept. 4	LOUISIANA TECH	39	370	228	61.6
Sept. 11	NC STATE	33	294	152	51.7
Sept. 18	at Memphis	50	419	201	48.0
Sept. 25	LSU	47	371	291	78.4
Oct. 2	at No. 15 Texas A&M	46	408	252	61.8
	TOTAL	215	1.862	1.124	60.4

#### POWER 5 LEADERS IN YARDS AFTER CATCH/GAME PER PFF

Rank	School	YAC	GP	YAC/G
1.	Maryland	1,245	6	207.5
2.	Mississippi State	1,090	5	218.0
3.	Missouri	1,087	6	181.2
4.	Alabama	1,040	6	173.3
5.	Ohio State	986	6	164.3

#### RELIABLE RECEIVERS

- Five Bulldogs boast streaks of 10 or more consecutive games with a reception.
- ► RB Jo'quavious Marks has the longest active streak at 16 games, which includes every game of his collegiate career. WR Malik Heath, WR Makai Polk, WR Jaden Walley and WR Austin Williams all have catches in 14 straight contests.

#### **POINTS ON POLK**

- ► WR **Makai Polk** has had one of the best starts to a season on record. Since 2000, only one Bulldog has recorded more receiving yards through the first five games of the year: 576 by Justin Jenkins, 2003.
- ► Caught a career-high 13 passes at Texas A&M (10/2), which is fourth-most in MSU single-game history, for 126 yards. It was his third career double-digit reception game, which is tied for second in school history.
- Against the Aggies, Polk also recorded the first multi-touchdown game of his career and caught 11 passes for first downs after entering the game with 11 total for the season.
- ▶ Polk is one of four Bulldogs ever to record multiple double-digit reception games in his career and the first with multiple in the same season since Fred Ross posted a school-record four double-digit reception games in 2015.
- ▶ Polk has made 10 or more catches in three of five games this year, which leads the SEC and ranks second nationally. A Bulldog has caught 10 or more passes just 19 times in school history.
- Polk leads the SEC and is tied for the national lead this season in games with 10-plus receptions, 100-plus receiving yards and at least one receiving touchdown.
- Against Memphis, he caught a 41-yard pass that stands as State's longest play from scrimmage this year and added a 36-yard touchdown reception.
- ▶ Polk leads the SEC and ranks third in the FBS in receptions per game (9.2).

# SEC INDIVIDUAL RECEPTIONS LEADERS IN FIRST FIVE GAMES (SINCE 2000)

Rank	Name	Year	School	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD
1.	Amari Cooper (Jr.)	2014	ALA	52	746	14.3	5
2.	Elijah Moore (Jr.)	2020	MO	47	591	12.6	3
3.	Makai Polk (Jr.)	2021	MSU	46	430	9.3	4
4.	DeVonta Smith (Sr.)	2020	ALA	45	556	12.4	4
5.	Kalija Lipscomb (Jr.)	2018	VAN	43	480	11.2	6
6.	Earl Bennett (Jr.)	2007	VAN	41	499	12.2	4
7.	Chad Jackson (Sr.)	2005	FLA	40	451	11.3	6
8.	Jordan Matthews (Sr.)	2013	VAN	40	586	14.7	4

# MSU RECORD BOOK: RECEIVING YARDS THROUGH FIVE GAMES (SINCE 2000)

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Rank	Name	Year	Class	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
1.	Justin Jenkins	2003	Sr.	37	576	15.6	7
2.	Makai Polk	2021	Jr.	46	430	9.3	4
3.	Chad Bumphis	2012	Sr.	21	375	17.9	6
4.	Jameon Lewis	2013	Jr.	19	359	18.9	3
5.	Chad Bumphis	2010	So.	25	352	14.1	4

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### **RECEIVERS SHINE IN DAWG DEBUTS**

- ► WR Jamire Calvin, WR Makai Polk and WR Rara Thomas were given starting nods in their MSU debut against Louisiana Tech. The trio combined for 179 receiving yards on 16 catches.
- ► Calvin led the team with 67 yards in his first game for the Maroon and White. His 40-yard reception in the fourth quarter stands as State's longest play from scrimmage this year and led to a 5-yard rushing touchdown on the next snap.
- ► The graduate transfer who spent four years in **Mike Leach's** system while at Washington State leads MSU with 40 yards after catch and averaged 10.0 yards after catch per reception. He also registerd a 20-yard touchdown.
- ▶ Polk, a transfer from California, led the team with 10 receptions for 57 yards. He currently leads the SEC and ranks fifth in the FBS in receptions (46).
- ► Thomas caught his first career target for a 21-yard gain and his second for a 25-yard haul.

### **WALLEY WATCH**

- ► WR **Jaden Walley** is tied for the team lead with four receiving touchdowns this season and has a touchdown in catch in all but one game this season. His six games with a touchdown reception are tied for fifth in the SEC since 2020.
- ▶ Posted breakout performances down the stretch in 2020, leading MSU in both receptions and yards at No. 13 Georgia (Nov. 21), at Ole Miss (Nov. 28) and against Auburn (Dec. 12) and Missouri (Dec. 19).
- Turned in four consecutive 100-yard receiving games and became the second freshman in MSU history with multiple 100-yard receiving games in the same year (Mardye McDole, 2 games, 1977). Averaged 130.0 receiving yards and 7.25 catches per game over the four-game span.
- ► The last Bulldog with four consecutive 100-yard receiving games was Fred Ross in 2015 (Four straight: at Missouri, Alabama, at Arkansas, Ole Miss).
- ► Led MSU with 718 receiving yards in 2020, which ranked third nationally among freshmen and became the first freshman to lead State in receiving yardage since Chad Bumphis (375) in 2009.
- ▶ Broke Mardye McDole's freshman record of 510 yards set in 1977 and became just the second MSU freshman with a 500-yard season.
- ▶ Just the sixth true freshman with a 100-yard receiving game in program history.
- ► Had a career-high nine catches and 176 receiving yards at Ole Miss, breaking the MSU freshman record for receiving yards in a game (Previous: 148 - Mardye McDole at Auburn, Nov. 5, 1977).
- Posted then-career highs in receptions (7) and receiving yards (115) at Georgia, becoming the first true freshman to reach the century mark since Chad Bumphis (123) against Georgia Tech in 2009.
- ► Made a career-long 51-yard reception for his first career touchdown at Georgia, which was MSU's second-longest passing play of the 2020 season.

## MR. RELIABLE

- ▶ WR **Austin Williams** hauled in a career-long 34-yard reception against NC State (Sept. 11). He also made a 30-yard reception against Louisiana Tech (Sept. 4), which was his longest catch since his previous career-long of 33 yards on a touchdown against Arkansas (Nov. 17, 2018).
- ▶ Of his 88 career receptions, 56.8 percent have led to a touchdown or first down. Williams caught 43 passes in 2020, which was a single-season career-high.
- ▶ Williams boasts the No. 5 hands grade in the Power Five (85.9) per PFF. He has caught 24 of his 26 targets (92.3 percent), which ranks third among Power Five players with at least 20 targets.

#### **AUSTIN WILLIAMS' CAREER RECEPTIONS**

Year	Rec.	TDs	1st	15+	25+
2021	24	1	14	5	2
2020	43	3	17	7	0
2019	11	2	5	2	1
2018	10	3	5	4	2
Total	88	9	41	18	5

#### DAWG DEFENSE QUICK HITS

- ▶ Mississippi State ranks second in the SEC and eighth in the nation in rushing defense (89.4). MSU is one of just three SEC schools and nine FBS schools to allow fewer than three rushing touchdowns this season.
- ▶ MSU leads the SEC this season in percentage of its opponents offensive drives that lasted 2 minutes or less (49.18).
- ► State' defense held Memphis, which entered the matchup as the nation's leader in total offense (633.5 yards per game), to just 246 total yards. MSU allowed just 12 first downs, which is tied for the seventh-fewest allowed by any Mike Leachcoached team.
- ▶ MSU is holding opponents to just 29.58 percent on third down conversions, which is second in the SEC and 13th nationally.
- ► State has allowed the fewest rushing first downs this season (23) and the third fewest passing first downs (40) this season.
- ▶ Offenses are averaging just 1.52 points per possession against MSU, which is the fifth fewest in the SEC, and are scoring on 31.5 percent of their possessions against State, also the fifth lowest percentage in the SEC.
- ▶ State has allowed only 50 plays of 10+ yards from scrimmage this season, the second fewest in the SEC and the seventh fewest in the FBS.

### **ANALYZING ARNETT'S DEFENSE**

- Since his arrival in 2020, defensive coordinator Zach Arnett's defense has been one of the best in the country.
- ► The Bulldogs rank No. 30 in turnovers forced (26) since the start of 2020 and are tied for No. 16 among Power Five programs. Only Alabama (31) and LSU (28) have more in the SEC.
- State is tied for sixth among Power Five teams with just 13 rushing touchdowns allowed since 2020.
- ➤ Since 2020, MSU has allowed fewer than 150 rushing yards in 11 games, which is the third most in the SEC during that span. MSU is holding its opponents to just 107.88 rushing yards per game, which ranks second in the SEC during that span.
- State is tied for sixth among Power Five teams with just 13 rushing touchdowns allowed since 2020.

# STATE HAS A TAKEAWAY IN 39 OF ITS LAST 44 GAMES

- ▶ The Bulldogs have collected at least one takeaway in 39 of their last 44 games dating back to the 2017 season at Arkansas on Nov. 18. State has compiled 76 takeaways over the 44-game stretch and forced three or more turnovers 10 times in that span.
- ► In that span, the Bulldogs had a takeaway streak of 22 straight games (Nov. 18, 2017-Oct. 12, 2019) and a streak of nine games (Nov. 23, 2019-Nov. 7, 2020).
- ► MSU has now recorded a takeaway in seven straight games with 14 (11 INT, 3 FR) in that span.
- ► MSU has forced multiple turnovers in 14 games since the start of 2019.

# MSU HAS AN INTERCEPTION IN 29 OF ITS LAST 42 GAMES

► State has collected an interception in 29 of its last 42 games dating back to Nov. 17, 2019 and has 39 total interceptions during that stretch. Eight active players have collected 21 total interceptions in their career.

## **ABOUT THAT BLOCK...**

- ► Mississippi State completed its comeback against Louisiana Tech (Sept. 4) by blocking a game-winning field goal attempt on the final snap. DT **Jaden Crumedy** was credited with the block.
- ► It was the first blocked field goal for the Bulldogs since Nelson Adams did so in the St. Petersburg Bowl against Miami (Ohio) on Dec. 26, 2016.
- ► The last time MSU met Louisiana Tech in 2017, the teams combined for one blocked punt and three blocked extra points. MSU's Jeffery Simmons blocked the punt and one of the extra points.

► The one-point victory (35-34) was MSU's narrowest margin of victory since the 2019 Egg Bowl win on a missed field goal against Ole Miss. The Bulldogs have now won at least one game by three points or less in each of the last three seasons.

## HOLDING TEAMS TO FEWER THAN 200 YARDS RUSHING

- ► Since the start of the 2018 season, MSU has held 37 of its 42 opponents below the 200-yard rushing mark, which is the third most in the SEC during that stretch. 27 of those 37 games holding teams below 200 yards have been SEC games.
- ► In 2020, MSU held four opponents to fewer than 100 yards on the ground. MSU held opponents to 126.4 rushing yards per game, which was fourth in the SEC. Just 41 of opponents' 391 rushing attempts went for 12 or more yards in 2020.
- ► The Bulldogs have already held three opponents to fewer than 100 yards on the ground in 2021.
- ▶ Only two teams rushed for 200+ yards on the Bulldogs in 2020 Alabama (208) and Auburn (218).

# SEC LEADERS HOLDING TEAMS BELOW 200 YARDS RUSHING (SINCE 2018)

Rank	School	Opp. Below 200+ Rushing	Record When
1.	Alabama	43	39-4
	Georgia	43	37-6
3.	Mississippi State	37	21-16
4.	Florida	36	30-6
	Texas A&M	36	25-11

# HOLDING TEAMS TO FEWER THAN 100 YARDS RUSHING

- ▶ The Bulldogs have held seven opponents to less than 100 rushing yards in 15 games under defensive coordinator **Zach Arnett**, which is tied with Texas A&M for the fourth-most games in the SEC since he arrived behind Georgia's 12 and Alabama's 10.
- ► MSU held NC State to just 34 yards rushing, marking the second-lowest total under Arnett trailing an eight-yard performance at then-No. 13 Georgia on Nov. 21, 2020. Most recently, MSU held LSU to just 63 yards on the ground.
- ► State has held three opponents to fewer than 100 yards on the ground this year, and allowed just 101 yards in the season opener against Louisiana Tech (Sept. 4).
- ▶ MSU held four opponents to fewer than 100 rushing yards in 2020 including each of its first three games. Since 1976, MSU has now held opponents under 100 yards rushing in at least three straight games on four occasions. The last time State held three straight opponents under 100 yards rushing came during the 2000 season when the Dawgs held five straight opponents under the 100-yard mark (at Memphis: 81 yards; at BYU: 74 yards; at South Carolina: 30 yards; Florida: -78 yards; Auburn: 18 yards).
- ► MSU also owns a string of six straight games (1999) and three straight games (1981). The last time MSU held four conference opponents below the century mark on the ground was the 2018 season. State finished that year with seven games of less than 100 rushing yards allowed. (Auburn: 90 yards; Texas A&M: 61 yards; Arkansas: 69 yards; at Ole Miss: 37 yards).

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### **GREEN'S GREAT DAY**

- S Jalen Green had a career day against NC State (Sept. 11). The transfer from Texas picked up his first takeaways in the Maroon and White and matched his career high with two pass breakups.
- Green made his first MSU interception in the end zone to save a touchdown against the Wolfpack. It was his second career pick following one while playing for Texas on Oct. 31, 2020, at Oklahoma State.
- He also recovered a fumble for the first time in his career.
- ▶ Became the third Bulldog in as many years with multiple takeaways in a game joining DB **Emmanuel Forbes** (2 INT) against Missouri on Dec. 19, 2020, and Leo Lewis (2 FR) at Auburn on Sept. 28, 2019.
- Green is second among SEC safeties with four passes defended this year.

## **NO FLY FORBES**

- ▶ DB **Emmanuel Forbes** is the nation's active career leader (FBS only) in interception return touchdowns (3) and the SEC's active career leader in defensive scores.
- ► SEC's active career leader with seven interceptions, which is tied for 18th in the FBS. Seven interceptions is tied for second in the FBS since the start of the 2020 season. Sixth in the FBS in career interception return yards (194).
- ▶ Leads the team with 20 solo tackles and 3.5 tackles for loss in 2021 and is tied for third on the team in total tackles (27). Leads the team and ranks 18th in the SEC with 16 "stops" per PFF, which are tackles that constitute a "failure" for the offense.
- Made a career-high 11 tackles against NC State (Sept. 11) along with a careerhigh 1.5 tackles for loss and his first career sack.
- ▶ Was named a Freshman All-American in 2020 after leading the nation in interception touchdowns (3) and leading the SEC in total interceptions (5). His five interceptions led all true freshmen nationally and were tied for third overall.
- ▶ Tied for third among FBS freshmen with 11 total pass defenses in 2020 and was 12th overall.
- First Bulldog with five or more interceptions in a season since Mark McLaurin tied the school record with six in 2017, and he is tied for eighth in MSU single-season history.
- ▶ Tied for the MSU career record for interception return touchdowns (3) with Johnthan Banks (2009-12), Corey Broomfield (2009-12) and Derek Pegues (2005-08).
- ► Took an interception back 90 yards against Tulsa, setting an Armed Forces Bowl record and matching the sixth-longest interception return in school history (Anthony Derricks vs. Auburn on Nov. 1, 1997).
- ▶ Picked off two passes against Missouri, returning one 29 yards for his second touchdown. First Bulldog with multiple interceptions in a game since the 2017 TaxSlayer Bowl win against Louisville (Mark McLaurin, 3).

#### **EMERSON ONE OF SEC'S TOP CORNERS**

- ▶ DB Martin Emerson was named a Pro Football Focus All-American in 2020 after leading the SEC with 11 pass breakups, which was also tied for fourth in the FBS.
- ► Has only been targeted on 25 of 178 snaps in coverage (14.0 percent) this year and was only targeted on 59 of his 388 snaps in coverage (15.2 percent) in 2020.
- Ranked eighth among Power Five cornerbacks and third in the SEC at the position in coverage grade (82.9) (min. 200 snaps) in 2020.
- One of 16 SEC cornerbacks in 2020 with one or fewer TDs allowed in coverage per PFF (min. 200 coverage snaps).

#### **TURN ON THE JETTS**

- ▶ LB **Jett Johnson** leads the team with 37 total tackles and is second on the squad with 3.0 tackles for loss.
- ► He posted a breakout game against NC State (Sept. 11) when he recorded a career-high nine tackles, more than any of his previous season totals. He entered 2021 with five career tackles and made five solo stops agains the Wolfpack.
- Johnson also forced his first career fumble and added a pass breakup in that game.

## **REVIEWING 2020**

- ▶ MSU played in a bowl game for a school-record 11th straight year a season ago, defeating Tulsa, 28-26, in the 2020 Lockheed Martin Armed Forces Bowl. State is 7-4 in bowl games in that span. MSU is one of only four SEC programs to go to a bowl each of the last 11 seasons, joining Alabama, Georgia and Texas A&M.
- ► MSU claimed its first win over a ranked opponent in a bowl game since 1940 when State defeated then-No. 13 Georgetown, 14-7. **Mike Leach** is the first head coach in MSU history to win a bowl game in his first year leading the program.
- ➤ State's 11 opponents in 2020 combined to win 57.1 % of their games, good for the second-highest percentage in the SEC. Based on opponent's record and opponents' opponents' record, the Bulldogs played the second-strongest schedule in the SEC in 2020.
- ▶ With its 51-32 victory against Missouri on Dec. 19, Mississippi State has now scored 50+ points in at least one game in 10 consecutive seasons. The 51 points were MSU's most in a game since the Bulldogs' 54-24 victory at Arkansas on Nov. 2, 2019.
- ► WR **Jaden Walley** and CB **Emmanuel Forbes** marked Mississippi State's first duo in program history to earn Freshman All-American accolades in the same season.
- ▶ WR **Jaden Walley** became the first true freshman to lead MSU in receiving yardage since Chad Bumphis (375) in 2009, and his 718 yards were an MSU freshman record. He ranked third among all FBS freshmen. Walley was the only true freshman in the nation last season to record 50+ receptions and 700+ receiving yards.
- ► CB Emmanuel Forbes returned three interceptions for touchdowns in his freshman season which led the nation and is already tied for State's career record with Johnthan Banks (2009-12), Corey Broomfield (2009-12) and Derek Pegues (2005-08). Forbes led the SEC and all true freshmen nationally with five interceptions. Forbes also earned a spot on both The Associated Press and ESPN.com All-Bowl teams after delivering his fifth interception of the season and returning it 90 yards for a touchdown in last season's finale.
- ► For the first time in school history last season, MSU finished with four players recording 40+ catches. The Bulldogs were the only team in the nation with four players with 40+ catches in 2020. **Mike Leach** has had at least four players catch 40+ passes in each of his 19 seasons as a head coach.
- ▶ QB Will Rogers finished last season with a 69.1 completion percentage, the second highest by a true freshman in FBS history. RB Jo'quavious Marks collected 60 receptions last season, which tied for the most in the country among freshmen. SEC All-Freshman LT Charles Cross played 720 offensive snaps in 2020 per PFF, the most snaps in the SEC among freshman offensive lineman, and 90 more snaps than the next closest. Armed Forces Bowl MVP and WR Lideatrick Griffin became just the second player in the country last season with 135+ kickoff return yards and one receiving touchdown in a single game.

- ▶ RB **Jo'quavious Marks**, WR **Jaden Walley**, RB **Dillon Johnson** and WR **Lideatrick Griffin** combined for 158 receptions in 2020, the most by any true freshmen group in the nation.
- ► State was one of six teams in the FBS with four defensive touchdowns in 2020 (3 INT, 1FR).

# ONE OF THE YOUNGEST TEAMS IN FBS LAST YEAR

- ▶ A total of 27 players made their MSU debuts last season, including nine true freshmen. Twenty-six Bulldogs made their first career start last year, 15 on offense and 11 on defense. That was tied for the most in the FBS. MSU's first-time starters played an impressive 8,563 snaps last season after combining for just 635 career snaps entering the season with only two members of that group playing more than 100 career snaps.
- MSU totaled 1,541 plays for 16,951 total snap opportunities with 50.5 percent of snaps being taken up by first-time starters. On average, MSU had 5.6 first-time starters on the field for every play.
- ► The first-time starters from last season returning in 2021 are: LB Aaron Brule, S London Craft, OL Charles Cross, WR Brad Cumbest, S Collin Duncan, CB Emmanuel Forbes, CB Esaias Furdge, WR Lideatrick Griffin, S Landon Guidry, WR Malik Heath, S Jay Jimison, RB Dillon Johnson, OL Kwatrivous Johnson, OL Kameron Jones, RB Jo'quavious Marks, DE Aaron Odom, S Fred Peters, QB Will Rogers, OL Cole Smith, WR Jaden Walley, LB Nathaniel Watson, LB Tyrus Wheat.

#### FRESHMEN FLYING HIGH

▶ A trio of Bulldogs were named to the SEC All-Freshman Team in 2020, with two earning Freshman All-American honors. OL **Charles Cross**, WR **Jaden Walley** and CB **Emmanuel Forbes** earned conference honors. Walley and Forbes earned All-American recognition, marking the first time in program history that multiple individuals have earned Freshman All-American accolades in the same season.

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## **SERIES SUPERLATIVES**

Most points scored by Mississippi State: 34 (1988)
Most points scored by Alabama: 59 (1922)
Largest margin of victory by Mississippi State: +22 (2000)
Largest margin of victory by Alabama: +59 (1922)
Longest winning streak by Mississippi State: 3 (1912-14)
Longest winning streak by Alabama: 22 (1958-79)
Last win by Mississippi State: 17-12 (2007)
Last win by Alabama: 41-0 (2020)
Current winning streak: 13, Alabama (2008-20)

## TOP INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES

#### **INDIVIDUAL 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES (17)**

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Yds.	Player	Date	Att.				
237	James Johnson	11-14-1998	36				
198	James Johnson	11-15-1997	23				
147	Joe Robertson	10-25-1952	17				
123	Kevin Bouie	11-12-1994	17				
121	Anthony Dixon	11-4-2006	25				
119	Wayne Jones	11-3-1973	22				
118	Hank Phillips	10-31-1987	25				
117	Hank Phillips	11-2-1985	22				
117	Dontae Walker	11-13-2000	16				
115	Wally Beech	10-28-1950	18				
107	Michael Davis	11-12-1994	21				
106	Lewis Grubbs	10-31-1970	8				
104	Dicenzo Miller	11-11-2000	16				
102	Hoyle Granger	10-30-1965	21				
102	Michael Davis	11-13-1993	23				
101	Hoyle Granger	10-31-1964	17				
101	Dontae Walker	11-10-2001	15				

#### **INDIVIDUAL 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES (9)**

Yds.	Player	Date	Rec.
168	Mardye McDole	11-4-1978	9
166	Fred Hadley	10-29-1988	7
127	Fred Hadley	10-31-1987	5
115	Jerry Bouldin	10-29-1988	5
115	Kenny Causey	11-13-1993	7
114	Fred Ross	11-14-2015	8
114	James Bloodworth	11-2-1985	5
111	Danny Knight	10-29-1983	6
109	Kelvin Love	11-13-1999	4

#### **INDIVIDUAL 250-YARD PASSING GAMES (7)**

Yds.	Player	Date	CmpAttInt.
429	Dave Marler	11-4-1978	28-46-4
335	Tony Shell	10-29-1988	21-44-3
300	Dak Prescott	11-14-2015	22-43-1
297	Don Smith	11-2-1985	22-45-2
290	Dak Prescott	11-15-2014	27-48-3
262	Wayne Madkin	11-11-2000	18-27-0
258	Tommy Pharr	11-1-1969	32-49*

<sup>\*</sup>interceptions not available

# **SERIES NOTABLES**

MSU and Alabama are meeting for the 105th time ... The Crimson Tide holds an 84-18-3 edge in the all-time series ... Alabama has won 13 straight in the series and five straight in Starkville ... MSU's last win over Alabama occurred on Nov. 10, 2007 by a score of 17-12 in Starkville ... Alabama was ranked No. 21 in that game in Nick Saban's first season ... In 2020, MSU was one of two teams (Florida) to hold Alabama scoreless in a quarter and one of two teams (Notre Dame) to keep the Crimson Tide from scoring a rushing touchdown all season ... This game will be the ninth straight in the series that Alabama is ranked inside the top five at the time of the matchup ... The Bulldogs' last win in the series came in Starkville in 2007 by a score of 17-12 ... At 83 miles, Alabama is the closest SEC campus to Starkville.

# 2021 TEAM COMPARISONS

	MISSISSIF	PI STATE		ALABAMA		
Statistic	Value	FBS	SEC	Value	FBS	SEC
3rd Down Conversion Pct	0.439	44	7	0.512	11	2
3rd Down Conversion Pct Defense	0.296	13	2	0.351	42	5
4th Down Conversion Pct	0.333	110	13	0.778	11	1
4th Down Conversion Pct Defense	0.500	53	7	0.500	53	7
Blocked Kicks	1	26	4	2	14	3
Blocked Kicks Allowed	0	1	1	0	1	1
Blocked Punts				2	8	2
Blocked Punts Allowed	0	1	1	0	1	1
Completion Percentage	0.757	2	1	0.689	14	3
Defensive TDs						
Fewest Penalties	43	104	8	48	116	11
Fewest Penalties Per Game	8.6	124	12	8	115	10
Fewest Penalty Yards	321	73	5	445	122	13
Fewest Penalty Yards Per Game	64.20	100	10	74.17	122	13
First Downs Defense	72	6	2	110	55	6
First Downs Offense	120	68	10	145	18	2
Fumbles Lost	5	107	10	2	22	6
Fumbles Recovered	2	83	6	2	83	6
Kickoff Return Defense	24.50	107	13	22.58	93	11
Kickoff Returns	42.33	3	7	29.44	16	3
Net Punting	30.83	130	14	37.19	97	12
Passes Had Intercepted	2	11	4	3	29	5
Passes Intercepted	6	33	6	7	19	3
Passing Offense	372.4	5	1	310.8	17	2
Passing Yards Allowed	229	70	10	195.2	34	5
Passing Yards per Completion	8.66	130	14	13.13	44	4
Punt Return Defense	22	129	14	5.5	48	6
Punt Returns	5.8	88	8	9.25	51	4
Red Zone Defense	0.800	48	4	0.875	86	7
Red Zone Offense	0.857	63	9	0.909	29	4
Rushing Defense	89.0	9	2	105.5	25	4
Rushing Offense	56.2	130	14	161.7	69	9
Sacks Allowed	2.00	61	9	2.33	77	11
Scoring Defense	25.0	70	10	22.0	40	7
Scoring Offense	27.8	77	11	44.3	6	7
Tackles for Loss Allowed	3.40	6	1	5.83	73	10
Team Passing Efficiency	145.64	47	8	175.71	7	1
	130.79	61	8	135.44	74	9
Team Passing Efficiency Defense Team Sacks	2.2	63	o 10	2	72	12
Team Tackles for Loss		os 71			34	
	5.6		12	6.8		5
Time of Possession	34:22	5	1	32:33	19	3
Total Defense	318.0	29	5	300.7	16	2
Total Offense	428.6	51	9	472.5	20	4
Turnover Margin	0.20	58	9	0.67	27	3
Turnovers Gained	8	60	6	9	40	5
Turnovers Lost	7	56	8	5	17	4

# MISSISSIPPI STATE VS. ALABAMA: ALL-TIME RESULTS (UA LEADS, 84-18-3\*)

10/24/1896:	UA, 20-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/26/1901:	UA, 45-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/8/1902:	UA, 27-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/16/1903:	MSU, 11-0	at Columbus, Miss.
10/15/1904:	UA, 6-0	at Columbus, Miss.
10/14/1905:	UA, 34-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/3/1906:	UA, 16-4	at Starkville
10/20/1911:	Tied, 6-6	at Columbus, Miss.
10/18/1912:	MSU, 7-0	at Aberdeen, Miss.
11/27/1913:	MSU, 7-0	at Birmingham, Ala.
11/26/1914:	MSU, 9-0	at Birmingham, Ala.
11/27/1919:	UA, 14-6	at Birmingham, Ala.
11/25/1920:	UA, 24-7	at Birmingham, Ala.
11/24/1921:	Tied, 7-7	at Birmingham, Ala.
11/30/1922:	UA, 59-0	at Birmingham, Ala.
10/31/1925:	UA, 6-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/9/1926:	UA, 26-7	at Meridian, Miss.
10/29/1927:	UA, 13-7	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/13/1928:	UA, 46-0	at Starkville
10/10/1931:	UA, 53-0	at Meridian, Miss.
10/1/1932:	UA, 53-0	at Montgomery, Ala.
10/14/1933:	UA, 18-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/13/1934:	UA, 41-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/12/1935:	MSU, 20-7	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/10/1936:	UA, 7-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/28/1939:	UA, 7-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/30/1940:	MSU, 13-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/4/1941:	MSU, 14-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/3/1942:	UA, 21-6	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/18/1944:	UA, 19-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
12/1/1945:	UA, 55-13	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/30/1946:	UA, 24-7	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/23/1948:	UA, 10-7	at Starkville
10/22/1949:	UA, 35-6	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/28/1950:	UA, 14-7	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/27/1951:	UA, 7-0	at Starkville
10/25/1952:	UA, 42-19	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/24/1953:	Tied, 7-7	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/23/1954:	MSU, 12-7	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/22/1955:	MSU, 26-7	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/27/1956:	UA, 13-12	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/26/1957:	MSU, 25-13	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/25/1958:	UA, 9-7	at Starkville
10/31/1959:	UA, 10-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/29/1960:	UA, 7-0	at Starkville
11/4/1961:	UA, 24-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
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11/3/1962:	UA, 20-0	at Starkville
11/2/1963:	UA, 20-19	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/31/1964:	UA, 23-6	at Jackson, Miss.
10/30/1965:	UA, 10-7	at Jackson, Miss.
10/29/1966:	UA, 27-14	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/4/1967:	UA, 13-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/2/1968:	UA, 20-13	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/1/1969:	UA, 23-19	at Jackson, Miss.
10/31/1970:	UA, 35-6	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/30/1971:	UA, 41-10	at Jackson, Miss.
11/4/1972:	UA, 58-14	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/3/1973:	UA, 35-0	at Jackson, Miss.
11/2/1974:	UA, 35-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/1/1975:	UA, 21-10	at Jackson, Miss.
10/30/1976:	UA, 34-17	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/29/1977:	UA, 37-7	at Jackson, Miss.
11/4/1978:	UA, 35-14	at Birmingham, Ala.
11/3/1979:	UA, 24-7	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/1/1980:	MSU, 6-3	at Jackson, Miss.
10/31/1981:	UA, 13-10	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
10/30/1982:	UA, 20-12	at Jackson, Miss.
10/29/1983:	UA, 35-18	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/3/1984:	UA, 24-20	at Jackson, Miss.
11/2/1985:	UA, 44-28	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/1/1986:	UA, 38-3	at Starkville
10/31/1987:	UA, 21-18	at Birmingham, Ala.
10/29/1988:	UA, 53-34	at Starkville
11/4/1989:	UA, 23-10	at Birmingham, Ala.
11/3/1990:	UA, 22-0	at Starkville
11/2/1991:	UA, 13-7	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/14/1992:	UA, 30-21	at Starkville
11/13/1993:	UA, 36-25*	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/12/1994:	UA, 29-25	at Starkville
11/11/1995:	UA, 14-9	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/16/1996:	MSU, 17-16	at Starkville
11/15/1997:	MSU, 32-20	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/14/1998:	MSU, 26-14	at Starkville
11/13/1999:	UA, 19-7	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/11/2000:	MSU, 29-7	at Starkville
	UA, 24-17	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/10/2001: 11/9/2002:	UA, 24-17 UA, 28-14	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/9/2002:		
11/8/2003:	UA, 38-0	at Starkville
11/6/2004:	UA, 30-14	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/5/2005:	UA, 17-0	at Starkville
11/4/2006:	MSU, 24-16	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/10/2007:	MSU, 17-12	at Starkville

11/15/2008:	UA, 32-7	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/14/2009:	UA, 31-3	at Starkville
11/13/2010:	UA, 30-10	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/12/2011:	UA, 24-7	at Starkville
10/27/2012:	UA, 38-7	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/16/2013:	UA, 20-7	at Starkville
11/15/2014:	UA, 25-20	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/14/2015:	UA, 31-6	at Starkville
11/12/2016:	UA, 51-3	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/11/2017:	UA, 31-24	at Starkville
11/10/2018:	UA, 24-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.
11/16/2019:	UA, 38-7	at Starkville
10/31/2020:	UA, 41-0	at Tuscaloosa, Ala.

at Starkville: *UA, 20-4* at Tuscaloosa: *UA, 45-9-1* at Neutral Sites: *UA, 19-5-2* 

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<sup>\*</sup> Denotes wins which were forfeited due to NCAA infractions

# LAST GAME VS. LSU

Mississippi State #2 Alabama				) 41		Bry: Tus	Oct. 31, 2020 Bryant-Denny Stadium Tuscaloosa, Ala. 19,424			
Mississippi State Rushing	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Ava			
Jo'quavious Marks	9	41	9	32	0	Long 20	<b>Avg.</b> 3.6			
Will Rogers	2	11	7	4	0	11	2.0			
	1			1	0					
Dillon Johnson		1	0		-	1	1.0			
Lee Witherspoon	1 2	0 4	0 4	0	0	4	0.0			
K.J. Costello	L	4	4	U	U	4	0.0			
PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks			
Will Rogers	24	37	2	147	0	19	1			
K.J. Costello	4	11	0	16	0	7	1			
RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long						
Jo'quavious Marks	8	38	0	12						
Lee Witherspoon	4	25	0	13						
Dillon Johnson	4	13	0	7						
Austin Williams	3	32	0	19						
Jaden Walley	3	18	0	9						
Osirus Mitchell	2	17	0	10						
			0							
JaVonta Payton	2	16	-	8						
Malik Heath	1	2	0	2						
Brad Cumbest	1	2	0	2						
PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB				
Tucker Day	5	192	38.4	48	0	0				
Reed Bowman	5	196	39.2	54	2	0				
FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS						
none			·							
	Punts	;		Kicko	ffs		Interc	epted		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	
JaVonta Payton	0	0	0	4	72	22	0	0	0	
Alabama										
RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.			
Najee Harris	21	120	1	119	0	14	5.7			
Trey Sanders	12	82	2	80	0	25	6.7			
Brian Robinson Jr.	2	5	0	5	0	5	2.5			
Mac Jones	4	16	12	4	0	14	1.0			
Bryce Young	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0			
,	0		11	V.1.	TD		0			
<b>PASSING</b> Mac Jones	Com 24	<b>Att</b> 31	Int O	<b>Yds</b> 291	TD 4	Long 53	Sacks			
Bryce Young	0	2	0	0	0	0	Ö			
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NeVonta Smith			4							
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Najee Harris	6	36	0	11						
Najee Harris Slade Bolden	6	36 20	0	13						
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# **Bulldogs Fall To No. 2 Crimson Tide In Tuscaloosa**

Mississippi State could not overcome No. 2 Alabama's passing game, as the Bulldogs fell to the Crimson Tide in a 41-0 loss at Bryant-Denny Stadium. Alabama jumped out to an early 17-0 lead in the first quarter. On its first possession, the Crimson Tide put together an 8-play, 61-yard march that culminated in a Will Reichard field goal from 40 yards out. A pair of touchdown passes from Mac Jones to DeVonta Smith in three minutes extended Alabama's advantage to 17 and set the tone for the night. Reichard successfully hit another field goal eight seconds into the second quarter, and Jones found Smith from 11 yards out to bring the score to 27-0 at halftime. The Bulldogs were able to gain momentum late in the contest, registering 162 yards of total offense during the second half. Late in the third quarter, MSU drove into Alabama territory but Dylan Moses intercepted **Will Rogers**' pass in the endzone to hold State scoreless and end their threat. Smith reeled in his fourth touchdown reception of the game and Patrick Surtain intercepted Rogers' pass and returned it 25 yards to the endzone to bring the score to its final 41-0 margin. Through the air, Rogers, who entered the game in the second quarter, was 24-of-37 passing for a career-high 147 yards with two interceptions. K.J. Costello hit on 4-of-11 of his pass attempts for 16 yards. Running back Jo'quavious Marks caught eight passes for a team-high 38 yards. He also carried nine times for 32 yards. Defensively, State was led by **Erroll Thompson** who posted double-digit tackles for the fourth time in five games this season. Additionally, four Bulldogs matched or surpassed their previous career highs in tackles..

1st	11:57	UA	Will Reichard 40 yd field goal
	05:04	UA	DeVonta Smith 35 yd pass from Mac Jones (Will Reichard kick)
	02:14	UA	DeVonta Smith 53 yd pass from Mac Jones (Will Reichard kick)
2nd	14:52	UA	Will Reichard 24 yd field goal
	01:43	UA	DeVonta Smith 11 yd pass from Mac Jones (Will Reichard kick)
4th	13:50	UA	DeVonta Smith 10 yd pass from Mac Jones (Will Reichard kick)
	02:12	UA	Patrick Surtain 25 yd interception return (Will Reichard kick)

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#### **Team Stats**

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FIRST DOWNS	12	26
Rushing	3	12
Passing	7	11
Penalty	2	3
NET YARDS RUSHING	37	208
Rushing Attempts	15	40
Average Per Rush	2.5	5.2
Rushing Touchdowns	0	0
Yards Gained Rushing	57	223
Yards Lost Rushing	20	15
NET YARDS PASSING	163	291
Completions-Attempts-Int	28-48-2	24-33-0
Average Per Attempt	3.4	8.8
Average Per Completion	5.8	12.1
Passing Touchdowns	0	4
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	200	499
Total offense plays	63	73
Average Gain Per Play	3.2	6.8
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-1	2-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	9-85	10-71
PUNTS-YARDS	10-388	4-152
KICKOFFS-YARDS	1-65	8-484
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	4-26-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	4-72-0	1-17-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	2-26-1
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	1-13-0	0-0-0
Possession Time	28:18	31:42
Third-Down Conversions	2 of 15	6 of 14
Fourth-Down Conversions	2 of 2	0 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	0-1	3-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-10	2-11
PAT Kicks	0-0	5-5
Field Goals	0-0	2-2
Points off turnovers	0	14



## THE LEACH FILE

Hometown: Cody, Wyoming

Education: BYU, 1983 (Bachelor's); Pepperdine, 1986 (J.D.);

U.S. Sports Academy, 1988 (Master's)

Wife:

Children: Janeen, Kim, Cody and Kiersten

March 9, 1961 Birthday:

#### **COACHING CAREER**

2020-p: Mississippi State (Head Coach)

2012-19: Washington State (Head Coach/OC/QBs)

2000-09: Texas Tech (Head Coach/OC/QBs)

1999: Oklahoma (OC/QBs) 1997-98: Kentucky (OC/QBs)

1994-96: Valdosta State (OC/WRs/QBs)

1992-93: Valdosta State (OC/Offensive Line)

1989-91: Iowa Wesleyan (OC/Offensive Line)

1989: Pori, Finland – European League (Head Coach)

1988: College of the Desert [Calif.] (Linebackers)

1987: Cal Poly (Offensive Line)

### **BOWL GAMES AS A HEAD COACH**

2020: Armed Forces Bowl (Mississippi State)

2019: Cheez-It Bowl (Washington State)

2018: Alamo Bowl (Washington State)

2017: Holiday Bowl (Washington State)

2016: Holiday Bowl (Washington State)

2015: Sun Bowl (Washington State)

2013: New Mexico Bowl (Washington State)

2009: Alamo Bowl\* (Texas Tech)

2008: Cotton Bowl (Texas Tech)

2007: Gator Bowl (Texas Tech)

2006: Insight Bowl (Texas Tech)

2005: Cotton Bowl (Texas Tech)

2004: Holiday Bowl (Texas Tech)

2003: Houston Bowl (Texas Tech)

2002: Tangerine Bowl (Texas Tech)

2001: Alamo Bowl (Texas Tech)

2000: GalleryFurniture.com Bowl (Texas Tech)

\* - denotes did not coach in game

# **MIKE LEACH**

Second Season @Coach Leach

## 34TH HEAD FOOTBALL COACH AT MISSISSIPPI STATE 2018 & 2008 NATIONAL COACH OF THE YEAR

Mike Leach, a two-time national coach of the year, three-time conference coach of the year and the mastermind behind the NCAA record-setting "Air Raid" offense, was tabbed Mississippi State's 34th head football coach on January 9, 2020.

The accomplishments for Leach in his 20th year as a head coach are long and distinguished. He has compiled a 146-99 (.596) record, guided his squads to 17 bowl games, produced seven seasons of at least nine victories, captured two division titles, become the winningest coach in Texas Tech history and set school records for bowl appearances at both Texas Tech (10) and Washington State (6). During 10 of those 19 seasons, Leach's passing attack led the FBS – six at Texas Tech and four at Washington State.

Of the 50 most productive passing yardage seasons in FBS history, 11 came from quarterbacks coached by Leach since his hiring as head coach at Texas Tech in 2000. That includes three seasons by Graham Harrell (2006-08), two by Luke Falk (2015-16), one by Gardner Mishew II (2018) and one by Anthony Gordon (2019).

Leach, 59, arrived in Starkville after eight seasons at the helm at Washington State where he compiled a 55-47 (.539) record and was named the 2018 American Football Coaches Association National Coach of the Year and two-time Pac-12 Coach of the Year (2015, 2018). Leach spearheaded WSU to a school-record six bowl appearances and became the first coach in school history to lead the Cougars to five consecutive bowl games. They also led the nation in passing offense in four out of his last six seasons in charge.

The 2018 campaign saw Leach produce one of the finest coaching performances as WSU posted its first 11-win season in school history and a share of the Pac-12 North Division. The Cougars were ranked in the top 13 of each College Football Playoff rankings, including four consecutive weeks at No. 8. WSU capped the season with a win over Iowa State in the Alamo Bowl and finished No. 10 in the Associated Press and Coaches polls. Senior quarterback and Mississippi native Minshew captivated the nation, leading the FBS in passing yards per game (367.6).

Leach previously spent 10 seasons as head coach at Texas Tech (2000-09) where his squads produced bowl appearances all 10 years. He compiled a school-record 84 victories, a school-record five bowl wins and eight consecutive seasons of at least eight victories.

The architect of the most prolific passing offense in the country, Leach received three national coach of the year awards in 2008 - the Woody Hayes Award, Howie Long/Fieldturf Coach of the Year and George Munger Award. Leach's offense captured six NCAA passing titles and three total offense titles during his 10 seasons in Lubbock

Leach led Texas Tech to one of the most memorable seasons in school history in 2008 as the team set a program record with 11 regularseason wins en route to an 11-2 record. The win total tied the mark, set previously by the 1953 and 1973 Red Raider squads. Numerous accolades poured in from across the country as an unprecedented four players earned first-team All-America status, in addition to Leach's three coach of the year honors. Harrell, offensive tackle Rylan Reed and offensive guard Brandon Carter each garnered first-team honors, while wide receiver Michael Crabtree was honored as a unanimous All-American for the second-straight season.

A total of 18 players were drafted at Texas Tech under Leach's watch and 21 others signed free agent contracts. In the spring of 2009, four players were selected among the first four rounds of the NFL Draft, marking the most successful draft for Texas Tech in the Leach era. The program made strides academically as well under Leach. During his 10 years, Texas Tech was recognized as one of the nation's top institutions for consistently being above a 70 percent graduation rate, according to the AFCA.

Prior to coming on board at Texas Tech, Leach, in just one season at Oklahoma, directed a Sooner offense that went from 11th in the Big 12 in 1998 to first in 1999 and 101st in the nation to 11th.

Prior to joining Bob Stoops' Oklahoma staff, Leach served as offensive coordinator for Hal Mumme at the University of Kentucky and Valdosta (Ga.) State University. Under Mumme and Leach, the Kentucky offense set six NCAA records, 41 Southeastern Conference records and 116 school records in 22 games.

Leach and Mumme first teamed up at Iowa Wesleyan College in 1989 where he served as offensive coordinator and line coach until 1991. He has also made stops in Pori, Finland, where he served as a head coach in the European Football League (1989), as well as one-year stints at College of the Desert (1988) and Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo (1987).

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# LEACH'S YEAR-BY-YEAR HEAD COACHING RECORD

Year	School	Overall	Conf.	Notable
2000	Texas Tech	7-6	3-5	
2001	Texas Tech	7-6	4-4	
2002	Texas Tech	9-5	5-3	Beat No. 4 Texas, Tangerine Bowl Champions
2003	Texas Tech	8-5	4-4	Houston Bowl Champions
2004	Texas Tech	8-4	5-3	No. 18 in AP/No. 17 in Coaches, Holiday Bowl Champions
2005	Texas Tech	9-3	6-2	No. 20 in AP/No. 19 in Coaches
2006	Texas Tech	8-5	4-4	Insight Bowl Champions
2007	Texas Tech	9-4	4-4	Beat No. 3 Oklahoma, No. 22 in AP/No. 23 in Coaches
2008	Texas Tech	11-2	7-1	No. 7 in BCS, Two top-10 wins including No. 1 Texas
2009	Texas Tech	8-4	5-3	Beat No. 15 Nebraska
2012	Washington State	3-9	1-8	Beat No. 25 Washington
2013	Washington State	6-7	4-5	Beat No. 25 USC
2014	Washington State	3-9	2-7	
2015	Washington State	9-4	6-3	Sun Bowl Champions
2016	Washington State	8-5	7-2	Beat No. 15 Stanford
2017	Washington State	9-4	6-3	Beat No. 5 USC and No. 18 Stanford
2018	Washington State	11-2	7-2	AFCA Coach of the Year, Pac-12 North Co-Champions
2019	Washington State	6-7	3-6	Fifth straight bowl appearance at WSU
2020	Mississippi State	4-7	3-7	Beat No. 5 LSU, Armed Forces Bowl Champions
2021	Mississippi State	3-2	1-1	
TOTALS	(20th season)	146-99	87-78	
MSU Record	(2nd season)	7-9	4-8	
TTU Record	(10 seasons)	84-43	47-33	
WSU Record	(8 seasons)	55-47	36-36	

#### ASSISTANT COACHES »



## TONY HUGHES

N THE BOO

Associate Head Coach/Nickelbacks | 10th season (second stint)

Veteran coach and heralded recruiter with three decades of experience in his home state of Mississippi ... Spent seven seasons (2009-15) as recruiting coordinator and safeties coach at Mississippi State prior to becoming the head coach at Jackson State University

... Boasting a reputation as being one of the top recruiters in college football, Hughes played a pivotal role in helping State land 22 signees for the 2020 class, including 11 top-30 prospects from Mississippi ... A teacher and mentor to his student-athletes, Hughes has excelled at identifying players in the state of Mississippi that leave MSU as NFL prospects, including Super Bowl Champions Fletcher Cox and Chris Jones, three-time Pro Bowl defensive back Darius Slay, 2012 Jim Thorpe Award winner Johnthan Banks and first-team All-American Benardrick McKinney.



**ZACH ARNETT** 

Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers | 2nd season

Rising star in college football's coaching ranks ... Learned under one of the game's great defensive minds in former New Mexico and San Diego State head coach Rocky Long ... Member of the prestigious AFCA 35 Under 35 Coaches Leadership Institute in 2020

... Spent the first nine years of his coaching career at San Diego State, beginning as a defensive graduate assistant in 2011 before being elevated to linebackers coach in 2014 and eventually promoted to defensive coordinator in 2018 ... Led an SDSU defense that ranked in the top 10 nationally in rushing defense (No. 2), scoring defense (No. 3), interceptions (No. 4), first downs allowed (No. 4), total defense (No. 6), passing efficiency defense (No. 6) and takeaways (No. 8) in 2019 ... Logged 200 career tackles as a linebacker at New Mexico from 2005-08 and helped the Lobos to consecutive bowl appearances in 2006 and 2007.



MATT BROCK

Special Team Coordinator/Outside Linebackers | 2nd season

Selected to the AFCA's prestigious 35 Under 35 Coaches Leadership Institute for 2020 ... In 2019 at Washington State, coached kicker Blake Mazza who led the Pac-12 in scoring [115 points] on his way to first-team All-Pac-12 honors ... Mazza was a Lou Groza Award

finalist and midseason All-America second team selection by The Athletic and made a program-record 18 straight field goals to start the season ... Tutored eight all-conference performers and a pair of All-Americans during his coaching career, with six specialists and two linebackers earning the honor ... Played and began his coaching career at Baker University in Baldwin City, Kansas ... A two-time all-conference pick and two-time NAIA Academic All-American who tallied 277 career tackles and seven interceptions.



DARCEL McBATH

Cornerbacks | 2nd season

Spent three seasons at Washington State (2017-19), including part of the 2019 season as interim co-defensive coordinator and cornerbacks coach ... Led a defense in 2019 as co-interim defensive coordinator that finished the year No. 5 in the Pac-12 in takeaways

[19] and tied for second in fumbles gained [9] ... Cornerbacks unit combined for five takeaways in 2018, highlighted by four interceptions while breaking up 18 passes on the year and adding 3.0 sacks ... Earned his degree in four years while playing for Mike Leach at Texas Tech from 2004-08 and spent five seasons in the NFL after being selected in the second round of the 2009 NFL Draft by the Denver Broncos ... Played five seasons in the NFL with two seasons in Denver, one in Jacksonville and two in San Francisco ... Appeared in Super Bowl XLVII as a member of the 49ers and made one tackle.



ERIC MELE
Running Backs | 2nd season

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Spent eight seasons at Washington State, coaching the running backs during his final two seasons (2018-19) ... Spent three seasons coaching special teams (2015-17) after three seasons as an offensive quality control (2012-14) ... Tutored three All-Pac-12

honorees at WSU, including running back Max Borghi who was named Pac-12 Freshman of the Year honorable mention in 2018 ... Kicker Erik Powell earned All-Pac-12 second team honors in 2017 and finished No. 3 on WSU's all-time points kicking list with a school-record 164 career extra points ... Powell ranked third in school history in field goals made [51] and career field goal percentage [72.8] ... Helped WSU's special teams reach multiple milestones in 2016, as the Cougars recorded a kick return TD and punt return for a score for the first time in the same season since 1968, and the punt return unit finished No. 9 nationally (13.48 yd/rtn).



## **MASON MILLER**

Offensive Line | 2nd season

No stranger to the Air Raid system, after working with both Mike Leach and Hal Mumme, two of the Air Raid's architects ... Has coached at all three levels of the NCAA and been a key part in establishing lethal offenses at each stop ... In two seasons at Washington

State, three student-athletes earned All-Pac-12 honors and the offensive line allowed the fewest sacks in the Pac-12 during that span while protecting college football's top passing attack in consecutive seasons, generating 437.2 passing yards per game during the 2019 campaign ... Helped Andre Dillard become the top pass-blocking tackle in the country per Pro Football Focus and earn first-team All-Pac-12 and second-team All-America honors in 2019 before becoming the highest drafted Cougar offensive lineman in program history when the Philadelphia Eagles selected him in the first round of the 2019 NFL Draft.



**DAVE NICHOL** 

Inside Receivers | 2nd season

Has spent 10 of his 20 years as a collegiate coach under Mike Leach, including five at Texas Tech and four at Washington State ... Owns 12 career bowl game appearances ... In four seasons at WSU, helped Gabe Marks become the Pac-12 all-time receptions

leader (316) and finish No. 2 all-time in receiving touchdowns (37), while earning first-team All-Pac-12 honors in 2016 ... Helped Brandon Arconado finish with a Cougars single-season-record seven 100-yard receiving games on his way to leading the conference in receiving yards per game (100.8) in 2019 ... Spent four seasons at ECU, taking on the offensive coordinator role in his final season with the Pirates, and played a vital role in guiding an offense that established successive single-season school records for passing yards and total offense, and combined to break 70 individual or team single-game, season and career records.



## **JEFF PHELPS**

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Defensive Line | 2nd season

Has been a part of vaunted defensive fronts at nearly every stop of his coaching career, helping produce NFL talent and All-American pass rushers in the Pac-12, Mid-American and Big 10 conferences ... In 2018, saw the Cougar "Speed D" lead the Pac-12 with 38.0

sacks and finish No. 2 in the league with 88.0 tackles for loss ... Tutored Hercules Mata'afa to Consensus All-American and AP Pac-12 Defensive Player of the Year honors in 2017 after totaling a WSU-record 22.5 tackles for loss that season ... In six seasons as the defensive line coach at Minnesota, the Gophers earned five bowl berths ... Coached four All-Big Ten performers, including 2013 third-team All-American and 2014 second-round NFL Draft pick Ra'Shede Hagemen ... Helped Larry English to a pair of MAC Most Valuable Player honors, the 2008 MAC Defensive Player of the Year award and the No. 16 pick in the 2009 NFL Draft.



## STEVE SPURRIER JR.

Outside Receivers | 2nd season

Collegiate coaching career includes 17 postseason bowl games, including the Sugar Bowl, Fiesta Bowl, Cotton Bowl and Orange Bowl, and two national championships (Oklahoma, 2000; Florida, 1996) ... In two seasons at Washington State, helped three

receivers top the 60-catch mark, including Easop Winston Jr.'s 85-catch, 11-touchdown campaign in 2019 ... Spent one season as the assistant head coach/quarterbacks coach at Western Kentucky and developed Mike White who led the nation in completions (368) and ranked fourth in passing yards (4,177) ... No stranger to the SEC, he coached 11 seasons at South Carolina (2005-15) and spent five seasons at Florida (1994-98), helping develop numerous All-SEC performers and NFL Draft picks ... At South Carolina, coached NFL stars Sidney Rice, Alshon Jeffery and Kenny McKinley ... Worked with Mike Leach during his first stint at Oklahoma (1999).



## JASON WASHINGTON

Safeties | 2nd season

Spent three seasons at Texas as the recruiting coordinator and cornerbacks coach, where he was tabbed the top Big 12 recruiter in 2018 by 247Sports ... In 2018, both Longhorn starting cornerbacks garnered All-Big 12 honors, as Kris Boyd grabbed first-

team honors and Davante Davis was an honorable mention pick after combining for two interceptions, 24 pass breakups and 109 tackles ... With 23 all-conference honorees coached over his 17 years as a collegiate coach, he has also seen 10 pupils reach the NFL ... Spent a week during the 2009 season with the Minnesota Vikings as part of the Bill Walsh Minority Coaching Fellowship program ... Four-year letterwinner at Texas State in both football and baseball, starting at cornerback and in centerfield, respectively. Still ranks tied for No. 9 on the Bobcats' career stolen base charts (38).

# **DEPTH CHART**

# **OFFENSE**

- QB 2 Will Rogers (6-2, 210, So.) **OR** 9 Chance Lovertich (5-11, 190, Sr.)
- **RB** 32 J.J. Jernighan (5-11, 215, R-Jr.)
  - 7 Jo'quavious Marks (5-10, 205, So.) **OR**
  - 23 Dillon Johnson (6-0, 215, So.)
- X 4 Malik Heath (6-3, 220, Sr.)
  - 5 Lideatrick Griffin (5-10, 180, So.)
- **H** 6 Jamire Calvin (5-10, 160, Gr.)
  - 82 Rufus Harvey (5-10, 170, R-Fr.)
- **LT** 67 Charles Cross (6-5, 310, R-So.)
  - 66 Nick Jones (6-3, 300, R-So.)
- **LG** 58 Kameron Jones (6-5, 305, R-Jr.)
  - 57 Cole Smith (6-3, 305, R-Jr.)
- **C** 63 LaQuinston Sharp (6-3, 300, Sr.)
  - 57 Cole Smith (6-3, 305, R-Jr.)
- **RG** 69 Kwatrivous Johnson (6-7, 320, R-Jr.)
  - 77 Cordavien Suggs (6-6, 305, R-Sr.)
- **RT** 78 Scott Lashley (6-7, 315, R-Sr.)
  - 76 Albert Reese IV (6-7, 315, Fr.)
- Y 85 Austin Williams (6-3, 200, R-Sr.) **OR** 
  - 11 Jaden Walley (6-0, 185, So.)
  - 24 Christian Ford (5-11, 175, R-Jr.)
- **Z** 10 Makai Polk (6-3, 200, R-So.)
  - 17 Caleb Ducking (6-5, 205, R-Jr.)

# **DEFENSE**

- **DE** 5 Randy Charlton (6-3, 265, R-Jr.)
  - 9 De'Monte Russell (6-4, 265, R-So.)
- **NG** 93 Cameron Young (6-3, 310, R-Jr.)
  - 22 Nathan Pickering (6-4, 300, Jr.)
- **DT** 94 Jaden Crumedy (6-5, 310, R-Jr.)
  - 15 Jack Harris (6-3, 270, R-So.)
- **SAM** 2 Tyrus Wheat (6-2, 265, Sr.)
  - 34 Sherman Timbs (6-2, 265, R-Sr.) **OR**
  - 54 Rodney Groce Jr. (6-2, 240, R-Fr.)
- **MIKE** 14 Nathaniel Watson (6-2, 240, R-Jr.)
  - 16 DeShawn Page (6-2, 225, So.)
- **WILL** 3 Aaron Brule (6-1, 230, R-Jr.)
  - 44 Jett Johnson (6-2, 235, R-Jr.)
- **CB** 1 Martin Emerson (6-2, 200, Jr.)
  - 30 Decamerion Richardson (6-2, 195, So.)
- FS 19 Collin Duncan (6-0, 205, Jr.)
  - 36 Jay Jimison (6-0, 200, R-Sr.)
- **SS** 0 Jalen Green (6-1, 200, Sr.)
  - 24 Dylan Lawrence (6-4, 205, R-So.)
- **DOG** 38 Fred Peters (5-10, 205, Sr.)
  - 12 Shawn Preston Jr. (6-0, 205, R-Jr.)
- **CB** 13 Emmanuel Forbes (6-0, 180, So.)
  - 27 Esaias Furdge (6-0, 185, R-Jr.)

# **SPECIAL TEAMS**

- **K** 8 Brandon Ruiz (5-10, 180, R-Sr.)
  - 91 Nolan McCord (6-0, 170, R-Fr.)
- P 37 Tucker Day (6-0, 215, R-Sr.) **OR**
- **KO** 8 Brandon Ruiz (5-10, 180, R-Sr.)
- KR 5 Lideatrick Griffin (5-10, 180, So.)
  - 7 Jo'quavious Marks (5-10, 205, So.)

Archer Trafford (6-2, 240, R-So.)

Scott Goodman (5-10, 205, R-Jr.)

- **PR** 85 Austin Williams (6-3, 200, R-Sr.)
  - 13 Emmanuel Forbes (6-0, 180, So.)
- LS 43 Hayes Hammond (5-10, 205, R-Fr.) OR
  - 41 Colby Cox (6-1, 235, R-Fr.)
- **H** 37 Tucker Day (6-0, 215, R-Sr.)

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Jo'quavious Marks	7	17	0	12	0						
Dillon Johnson						8	6.0				
Will Rogers	5	7	25	(-18)	0	6	(-3.6)				
PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks				
Will Rogers	39	47	1	370	3	40	3				
RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long							
Makai Polk	10	57	0	10							
Jo'quavious Marks	9	27	1	14							
Austin Williams	5	57	0	30							
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Jaden Walley	4	64	1	17							
Jamire Calvin	3	67	1	40							
Rara Thomas	3	55	0	25							
Dillon Johnson	3	14	Ö	8							
	7		0								
Lideatrick Griffin	L	29	U	18							
PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB					
Tucker Day	5	210	42.0	46	0	0					
FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS							
Brandon Ruiz	Att. 1	Maue	LUIIY	missed	52						
		-									
ALL DETUDNO	Punts	V.I.	1	Kickof		Interce		V.I.	1		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.		
Lideatrick Griffin	0	0	0	4	144	70	0	0	0		
Tyrus Wheat	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0		
LOUISIANA TECH											
RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.				
Austin Kendall	5	77	9	68	1	59	13.6				
Marcus Williams Jr.	13	34	13	21	0	7	1.6				
Greg Garner	4	11	0	11	0	5	2.8				
	2	1	0	1	0	1	0.5				
Keyon Brooks			_								
Harlan Dixon	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0				
PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks				
Austin Kendall	20	36	1	269	2	72	1				
Aaron Allen	1	1	0	(-1)	0	0	0				
DECEMBE	N.	V-I-	TD	Lana							
RECEIVING Smoke Harris	<b>No.</b> 4	<b>Yds.</b> 52	<b>TD</b> 1	Long 24							
	3	41	0								
Isaiah Graham			-	29							
Marcus Williams Jr.	3	25	0	9							
Griffin Hebert	3	20	0	15							
Bub Means	2	94	1	72							
Tre Harris	2	7	Ō	7							
Harlan Dixon	2	7	0	5							
Tahj Magee	1	12	0	12							
Keyon Brooks	1	10	0	10							
PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB					
Cesar Barajas	7	270	38.6	51	2	1					
FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS							
Jacob Barnes	<b>Att.</b> 3	Made 2	Long 33		O. made	33, block	ed 46				
		-									
ALL DETUDNO	Punts	Vdc	l a	Kickof		Interce		Vda	l a		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.		
Smoke Harris	0	24	14	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Bub Means	0	0	0	1	18	18	0	0	0		
Trey Baldwin	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	35	35		

# **Bulldogs Complete Largest Comeback In MSU History**

Mississippi State found itself facing a 20-point deficit with just over 12 minutes remaining in its season opener against Louisiana Tech on Saturday. Undeterred, MSU finished with a flurry in all three phases to complete the largest comeback in school history. The 35-34 victory was sealed on the final play as LA Tech's 46-yard field goal fell short to send 44,669 maroon and white faithful home happy. Louisiana Tech took a 34-14 lead following a field goal early in the fourth quarter before State began mounting its comeback. The spark was started on special teams as Lideatrick Griffin returned the ensuing kickoff 70 yards to setup the homestanding Bulldogs at the 31-yard line. Three plays later, Jo'quavious Marks leapt into the end zone to start the rally with 12:01 left. MSU's defense forced a three-and-out to get the ball back quickly. The offense marched 77 yards in seven plays with guarterback **Will Rogers** completing all five of his passes on the drive to setup Marks again for a 5-yard scoring run to pull MSU within six. Another three-and-out by the defense gave State the ball back with just over six minutes remaining. Rogers was again perfect on all five throws, with the last going to Jaden Walley for a 15-yard touchdown to tie things at 34 before the extra point. In the fourth quarter, Rogers was a perfect 10-of-10 for 128 yards and a touchdown. Louisiana Tech still had 3:37 to make something happen and kept its hopes alive by converting a crucial 4th-and-11 from the MSU 43-yard line. Tech then ran the ball three straight plays - netting just six yards - and called timeout with two ticks remaining. Tech's 46-yard potential game-winner was blocked by Jaden Crumedy to give State its fifth consecutive season-opening win. The Bulldogs finished with 435 total yards, including 370 through the air.

	siana Tec sissippi S		7 14	14 0	10 0	3 21	34 35			
1st	08:09	MS	Jo'qua	vious Ma	ırks 1 yd	pass fror	n Will Roge	ers (Brandon Ruiz kick)		
	00:35	MS	Jamire	Jamire Calvin 20 yd pass from Will Rogers (Brandon Ruiz kick)						
	00:00	LATC	Bub M	eans 72	yd pass 1	from Aust	tin Kendall	(Jacob Barnes kick)		
2nd	11:55	LATC	Austin	Kendall	59 yd ru	n (Jacob	Barnes kicl	k)		
	03:06	LATC	Smoke	Harris 2	24 yd pas	s from Ai	ustin Kenda	all (Jacob Barnes kick)		
3rd	03:06	LATC	Jacob	Barnes 2	20 yd fiel	d goal				
	01:50	LATC	Trey Ba	aldwin 3	5 yd intei	ception r	eturn (Jaco	ob Barnes kick)		
4th	13:11	LATC	Jacob	Barnes 3	33 yd fiel	d goal				
	12:01	MS	Jo'qua	vious Ma	rks 1 yd	run (Brar	ndon Ruiz k	ick)		
	07:24	MS	Jo'qua	vious Ma	irks 5 yd	run (Brar	ndon Ruiz k	ick)		
	03:37	MS	Jaden	Walley 1	5 yd pas	s from (B	randon Rui	iz kick)		

#### **Team Stats**

	LATC	MS
FIRST DOWNS	14	22
Rushing	2	5
Passing	10	17
Penalty	2	0
NET YARDS RUSHING	101	65
Rushing Attempts	25	19
Average Per Rush	4.0	3.4
Rushing Touchdowns	1	2
Yards Gained Rushing	123	90
Yards Lost Rushing	22	25
NET YARDS PASSING	268	370
Completions-Attempts-Int	21-37-1	39-47-1
Average Per Attempt	7.2	7.9
Average Per Completion	12.8	9.5
Passing Touchdowns	2	3
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	369	435
Total offense plays	62	66
Average Gain Per Play	6.0	6.6
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-1	3-3
Penalties: Number-Yards	7-36	12-96
PUNTS-YARDS	7-270	5-210
KICKOFFS-YARDS	7-413	6-385
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	3-24-0	0-0-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	1-18-0	4-144-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	1-35-1	1-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Possession Time	27:40	32:20
Third-Down Conversions	4 of 15	2 of 8
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-2	5-5
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-29	1-9
PAT Kicks	4-4	5-5
Field Goals	2-3	0-1
Points off turnovers	3	14

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## **GAME 2: NC STATE**

**NC State** 

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Mississippi S	tate	9	4	24		45,8		<b>33.</b>	
MISSISSIPPI STATE									
RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.		
Dillon Johnson	6	18	0	18	0	8	3.0		
Jo'quavious Marks	6	12	1	11	0	6	1.8		
TEAM	1	0	2	(-2)	0	0	(-2.0)		
Will Rogers	2	0	5	(-5)	0	0	(-2.5)		
PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks		
Will Rogers	33	49	0	294	2	34	1		
RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long					
Jo'quavious Marks	7	28	0	15					
Dillon Johnson	6	70	0	26					
Jaden Walley	5	44	1	13					
Makai Polk	4	33	0	17					
Austin Williams	3	48	0	34					
Lideatrick Griffin	3	22	0	11					
Malik Heath	2	79	1	71					
Jamire Calvin	2	17	Ö	11					
Rara Thomas	1	3	0	3					
Kala IIIUIIIas	1	J	U	J					
PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB			
Tucker Day	7	251	35.9	56	1	1			
FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS					
Nolan McCord	1	1	32	made 3	2				
	Punts			Kickof	fs	Interce	pted		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Jaden Walley	3	31	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
Austin Williams	2	18	13	Ō	Ō	0	Ō	Ō	Ō
Lideatrick Griffin	0	0	0	1	100	100	Ō	Ō	Ō
Fred Peters	Ō	0	0	Ö	0	0	1	0	0
Jalen Green	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
NC STATE									
RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.		
Zonovan Knight	8	34	3	31	0	10 10	3.9		
	8	25	6	19	0	13	2.4		
Ricky Person	1				0				
Jordan Houston	8	0	2	(-2)		0	(-2.0)		
Devin Leary	ď	12	27	(-15)	0	8	(-1.9)		
PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks		
Devin Leary	30	49	1	303	1	38	4		
Ricky Person	0	1	1	0	0	0	0		
Ben Finley	0	1	0	0	0	0	0		
RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long					
Thayer Thomas	7	39	1	15					
Emeka Emezie	6	92	Ô	38					
Devin Carter	5	79	0	37					
Ricky Person	3	9	0	6					
Porter Rooks	2	58	0	37					
Zonovan Knight	2	7	0	7					
Trent Pennix	2	5	0	5					
	1	7	0	7					
Dylan Parham									
C.J. Riley	1	4	0	4					
Jordan Houston	1	3	0	3					
PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB			
Trenton Gill	7	305	43.6	55	1	0			
FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS					
Christopher Dunn	2	1	45	missed	48, made	45			
	Punts			Kickof		Interce			
ALL RETURNS None	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
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# **Griffin And Defense Pave Way To Win Over NC State**

Lideatrick Griffin electrified the home crowd as he returned the games' opening kickoff 100 yards for a touchdown to set the stage for a 24-10 victory over NC State. Griffin became only the fifth Bulldog all-time to record a 100-yard kickoff return, and in the process, he laid the foundation for a successful night across the board for the Maroon and White. The Bulldog defense was stout, holding NC State out of the end zone until late in the fourth quarter. Emmanuel Forbes paced Mississippi State with a career-high 11 tackles, including 1.5 tackles for loss. MSU finished the evening with nine total tackles for loss, including four sacks. State also forced three turnovers. Jalen Green recorded an interception and fumble recovery. Jett Johnson forced the fumble that was recovered by Green, and Fred Peters also recorded a pick to seal the win with only seconds to play. On the other side of the ball, Will Rogers completed 33 of his 49 pass attempts for 294 yards and two touchdowns. It marked the sophomore's seventh career 200-plus-yard passing game, a total that is tied for ninth in Mississippi State history. Nine different Bulldogs caught passes from Rogers with Jo'quavious Marks hauling in a team-high seven catches and Dillon Johnson pacing State with a career-high 70 receiving yards. Griffin's game-starting touchdown return had the Bulldogs off and running from the opening moments of the second quarter, the Bulldogs increased their lead just before halftime when Rogers found Malik Heath for a 21-yard scoring pass that completed a 13-play, 83-yard drive. MSU rode its offensive momentum right into the second half. Following Jett Johnson's forced fumble and Green's recovery, State took advantage of a short field. With 8:59 left in the third quarter, Rogers found Jaden Walley on a four-yard touchdown tost to go up 21-3. The Bulldogs added to their advantage in the fourth quarter when Notan McCord drilled a 32-yard field goal with 1:06 remaining, but after the Wolfpack recovered an onside kick, Peters cemented the MSU

<b>NC State</b> 0 3 0 7 <b>10</b>									
Miss	issippi S	State	7	7	7	3	24		
1st	14:47	MS	Lideat	rick Grif	fin 100 y	d kickoff	return (Brando	on Ruiz kick)	
2nd	12:46	NCST	Christ	Christopher Dunn 45 yd field goal					
	01:09	MS	Malik	Heath 2	1 yd pass	s from Wi	ll Rogers (Brai	ndon Ruiz kick)	
3rd	08:59	MS	Jaden	Walley	4 yd pass	s from Wi	ll Rogers (Nol:	an McCord kick)	
4th	12:30	MS	Nolan	Nolan McCord 32 yd field goal					
	01:06	NCST	Thaye	r Thoma:	s 4 yd pa	ss from [	Devin Leary (Ch	ristopher Dunn kick)	

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#### Team Stats

	NCST	MS
FIRST DOWNS	16	15
Rushing	2	1
Passing	13	14
Penalty	1	0
NET YARDS RUSHING	34	22
Rushing Attempts	25	15
Average Per Rush	1.4	1.5
Rushing Touchdowns	0	0
Yards Gained Rushing	72	30
Yards Lost Rushing	38	8
NET YARDS PASSING	303	294
Completions-Attempts-Int	30-51-2	33-49-0
Average Per Attempt	5.9	6.0
Average Per Completion	10.1	8.9
Passing Touchdowns	1	2
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	335	316
Total offense plays	76	64
Average Gain Per Play	4.4	4.9
Fumbles: Number-Lost	2-1	0-0
Penalties: Number-Yards	6-59	9-60
PUNTS-YARDS	7-305	7-251
KICKOFFS-YARDS	2-130	5-300
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	5-49-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-100-1
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	2-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Possession Time	28:57	31:03
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 20	3 of 13
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 3	1 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-3	2-2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-3	4-31
PAT Kicks	1-1	3-3
Field Goals	1-2	1-1
Points off turnovers	0	7

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## **GAME 3: AT MEMPHIS**

**Mississippi State** 

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MISSISSIPPI STATE									
RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.		
Dillon Johnson	7	49	0	49	1	14	7.0		
J.J. Jernighan	2	5	0	5	0	4	2.5		
J. Marks	4	7	5	2	0	5	0.5		
Will Rogers	3	8	14	-6	0	8	(-2.0)		
PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks		
Will Rogers	50	67	0	419	3	41	2		
RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long					
Makai Polk	11	136	1	41					
Malik Heath	9	88	1	29					
Dillon Johnson	7	32	0	15					
Austin Williams	6	44	0	12					
Jo'quavious Marks	6	39	0	9					
Jaden Walley	5	58	1	24					
J.J. Jernighan	3	15	0	9					
Jamire Calvin	3	7	Ö	9					
PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB			
Archer Trafford	5	211	42.2	57	1	1			
FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS					
Nolan McCord	1	1	39	made 3	9				
	Punts			Kickof		Interce			
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Dillon Johnson	0	0	0	3	42	17	0	0	0
Jaden Walley	2	-3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lideatrick Griffin	0	0	0	1	19	19	0	0	0
Emmanuel Forbes	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	21	21
Sherman Timbs	0	0	0	1	3	3	0	0	0
MEMPHIS									
RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.		
Brandon Thomas	16	83	0	83	0	19	5.2		
Rodrigues Clark	1	16	0	16	0	16	16.0		
Seth Henigan	4	6	3	3	0	5	0.8		
Gabriel Rogers	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0		
TEAM	3	0	15	-15	Ō	0	(-5.0)		
PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks		
Seth Henigan	16	28	1	159	2	25	1		
RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long					
Calvin Austin III	9	105	2	25					
Brandon Thomas	2	19	0	10					
Javon Ivory	2	15	0	11					
Gabriel Rogers	1	8	0	8					
Sean Dykes	1	7	0	7					
Rodrigues Clark	1	5	0	5					
PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB			
Joe Doyle	5	231	46.2	65	3	0			
FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS					
Joe Doyle	1	1	51	made 5	1				
	Punts			Kickof	fs	Interce	epted		
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Calvin Austin III	2	107	94	0	0	0	0	0	0
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# **Late Surge Falls Short At Memphis**

MSU scored a pair of touchdowns in the final minutes to nearly complete a late comeback, but the Bulldogs ultimately came up short and fell on the road to Memphis, 31-29. Down 28-17 with just over three minutes to play, Will Rogers bookended a Memphis field goal with a nine-yard touchdown pass to Malik Heath and a 36-yard scoring toss to Makai Polk. However, the Bulldogs failed on a potential game-tying two-point conversion attempt when Rogers' scramble came up about a yard short of the goal line. The State signal caller passed for 419 yards, which stands as the eighth-best single-game mark in MSU history. Rogers also threw for three touchdowns as he set new State single-game records in completions and attempts by connecting on 50 of his 67 passes. Polk set career highs in both catches and yardage, hauling in 11 passes for 136 yards. Emmanuel Forbes came through with his sixth career interception. Martin Emerson and Jett Johnson tied for the team lead with eight total tackles each. The Bulldogs scored 17 unanswered points following a Memphis 49-yard fumble return on State's first drive of the game. MSU first clawed into the Tiger lead by putting together its longest scoring drive of the season. **Nolan McCord** drilled a career-long 39-yard field goal to cap a 17-play series and pull State within four points at 7-3. Early in the second quarter, the Bulldogs surged ahead. Polk hauled in five receptions on MSU's go-ahead drive. With 9:58 left in the period, Dillon **Johnson's** three-yard run into the end zone put State in front 10-7. Less than five minutes of game action later, the Bulldogs added to their advantage when Rogers connected with Walley on a six-yard touchdown pass that put MSU up 17-7. The score held until the late in the third quarter. Memphis' Seth Henigan threw a pair of touchdown passes – one in the third quarter and one in the fourth – to put the Tigers up 21-17. Then, Memphis later returned a punt 94 yards for a score to go up 28-17 with only 5:36 to play. Following State's failed twopoint attempt with 1:32 left, MSU's chances were ended when the Bulldogs weren't able to an onside kick.

Mississippi State Memphis			3	14	0	12	29			
			7	0	7	17	31			
1st	12:02	MEM	Sanch	iez Blake	49 yd fu	ımble reco	very (Joe Doyle kick)			
	03:20	MS	Nolan	Nolan Mccord 39 yd field goal						
2nd	09:58	MS	Dillon	Dillon Johnson 3 yd run (Nolan Mccord kick)						
	05:07	MS	Jaden	Jaden Walley 6 yd pass from Will Rogers (Nolan Mccord kick)						
3rd	06:15	MEM	Calvin	Calvin Austin III 21 yd pass from Seth Henigan (Joe Doyle kick)						
4th	07:48	MEM	Calvin	Austin II	1 25 yd p	oass from	Seth Henigan (Joe Doyle kick)			
	05:36	MEM	Calvin	Austin II	1 94 yd p	ount returi	(Joe Doyle kick)			
	03:03	MS	Malik	Heath 9	yd pass	from Will	Rogers (Will Rogers pass failed)			
	02:02	MEM	Joe D	oyle 51 y	d field g	oal				
	01:32	MS	Maka	Makai Polk 36 yd pass from Will Rogers (Will Rogers rush failed)						

#### Team Stats

	MS	MEM	
FIRST DOWNS	26	12	
Rushing	6	5	
Passing	18	6	
Penalty	2	1	
NET YARDS RUSHING	50	87	
Rushing Attempts	16	25	
Average Per Rush	3.1	3.5	
Rushing Touchdowns	1	0	
Yards Gained Rushing	69	105	
Yards Lost Rushing	19	18	
NET YARDS PASSING	419	159	
Completions-Attempts-Int	50-67-0	16-28-1	
Average Per Attempt	6.3	5.7	
Average Per Completion	8.4	9.9	
Passing Touchdowns	3	2	
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	469	246	
Total offense plays	83	53	
Average Gain Per Play	5.7	4.6	
Fumbles: Number-Lost	2-1	0-0	
Penalties: Number-Yards	8-59	6-55	
PUNTS-YARDS	5-211	5-231	
KICKOFFS-YARDS	6-271	6-307	
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	2-(-3)-0	2-107-1	
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	5-64-0	0-0-0	
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	1-21-0	0-0-0	
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-49-1	
Possession Time	36:57	23:03	
Third-Down Conversions	9 of 17	2 of 12	
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 1	1 of 3	
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-5	0-0	
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-3	2-14	
PAT Kicks	2-2	4-4	
Field Goals	1-1	1-1	
Points off turnovers	0	7	

## **GAME 4: LSU**

LSU Mississippi S	itate	9		28 25		Dav	t. 25, 202 is Wade S rkville, M	Stadium	
MISSISSIPPI STATE									
RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.		
Dillon Johnson	8	51	0	51	0	12	6.4		
Jo'quavious Marks	13	49	3	46	0	14	3.5		
Will Rogers	5	20	2	18	0	10	3.6		
DACCINC	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Caalra		
PASSING Will Rogers	47	62	1	371	3	29	Sacks 1		
will hogora	47	UL		J/ I	J	LI	ı		
RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long					
Jo'quavious Marks	9	67	1	16					
Dillon Johnson	9	58	0	15					
Makai Polk	8	78	1	79					
Austin Williams	6	62	1	22					
Malik Heath	5	48	0	77					
Lideatrick Griffin	3	18	0	10					
Jamire Calvin	2	21	0	13					
Christian Ford	2	14	0	9					
Jaden Walley	2	9	0	7					
	1	-4	0	0					
Will Rogers	1	-4	U	U					
<b>PUNTING</b> Archer Trafford	<b>No.</b> 3	<b>Yds.</b> 131	<b>Avg.</b> 43.7	Long 53	<b>120</b> 1	<b>TB</b> 0			
FIELD GOALS Nolan McCord	<b>Att.</b> 2	<b>Made</b> 1	Long 23	KICKS made 2	3				
ALL RETURNS Jaden Walley	Punts No.	<b>Yds.</b> 7	<b>Lg.</b>	Kickoff No.	Yds. O	Interce Lg.	<b>No.</b>	Yds.	<b>Lg.</b> 0
Emmanuel Forbes	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	-10	0
LSU									
RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.		
Tyrion Davis-Price	13	54	3	51	0	18	3.9		
Corey Kiner	4	15	1	14	0	7	3.5		
Armoni Goodwin	3	11	0	11	0	9	3.7		
TEAM	3	0	3	(-3)	0	0	(-1.0)		
Max Johnson	4	5	15	(-10)	0	5	(-2.5)		
DAGGING	0		1-4	V.I.	TD	1	01		
PASSING May Jahanan	<b>Com</b> 17	<b>Att</b> 27	Int 1	<b>Yds</b> 280	TD /	Long	Sacks		
Max Johnson	17	LI	1	200	4	64	2		
RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long					
Kayshon Boutte	4	85	2	64					
Brian Thomas Jr.	3	43	0	20					
Deion Smith	2	19	0	12					
	2	15	0	10					
Jaray Jenkins	7			9					
Jack Bech		13	0						
Trey Palmer	1	58	1	58					
Kole Taylor	1	41	1	41					
Malik Nabers	1	4	0	4					
Armoni Goodwin	1	2	0	2					
BUNTING					100				
PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB			
Avery Atkins	5	197	39.4	52	2	1			
FIELD GOALS None	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS					
ALL DETUDNE	Punts	Vdc	l a	Kickoff		Interce		Vd-	l a
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Trey Palmer	2	26	24	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cordale Flott	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

**State Drops 28-25 Decision To LSU**Mississippi State fell 28-25 to LSU at Davis Wade Stadium in the SEC opener. The Bulldogs trailed 7-3 at halftime, but the Tigers used three second half touchdowns to claim the win. MSU outgained LSU in total yardage in defeat. The Bulldogs posted 486 yards of total offense, paced by **Will Rogers'** 371 yards passing. The State signal caller completed 47 of 62 attempts and had three touchdown passes. Rogers has now thrown for 300 or more yards in a game five times already in his career, the second-most in school history behind only Dak Prescott. Makai Polk, Jo'quavious Marks and Austin Williams served as three of Rogers' favorite targets. Each caught touchdown passes as Polk finished with 78 yards, Marks tallied 67 and Williams ended with 62. On the ground, **Dillon Johnson** and Marks led the way for the Bulldogs, who set a new season high in team rushing yardage with 115 yards. Johnson totaled 51 rushing yards on eight attempts while Marks had 46 yards on 13 runs. Defensively, Fred Peters led MSU with nine tackles. The Bulldogs created a turnover as **Emmanuel Forbes** notched his seventh career pick - a total that leads all the FBS since the start of the 2020 season. LSU took a 7-0 lead less than six minutes into the game and led from that point on. State accumulated its points with a **Nolan McCord** 23-yard field goal in the second quarter that pulled MSU to within four at 7-3. After falling behind 21-3 in the third, State clawed closer on a 29-yard touchdown pass from Rogers to Polk. LSU went up 28-10 early in the fourth. Rogers would again narrow the margin with his two-yard scoring toss to Williams with 6:48 left and 16-yard touchdown pass to Marks with 1:53 left, but the comeback attempt fell short.

LSU			7	0	14	7	28			
Mississippi State			0	3	7	15	25			
1st	09:04	LSU	Kaysh	on Boutte	e 11 yd pa	ss from N	1ax Johnson (	(Cade York kick	k)	
2nd	08:19	MS	Nolan	McCord	23 yd fie	ld goal				
3rd	14:22	LSU	Kaysh	Kayshon Boutte 64 yd pass from Max Johnson (Cade York kick)						
	03:35	LSU	Trey P	Trey Palmer 58 yd pass from Max Johnson (Cade York kick)						
	00:26	MS	Makai	Polk 29	yd pass t	from Will	Rogers (Nola	an McCord kic	:k)	
4th	11:32	LSU	Kole T	aylor 41	yd pass f	rom Max	Johnson (Ca	de York kick)		
	06:48	MS	Austin	Williams	s 2 yd pas	s from W	ill Rogers (No	olan McCord ki	ck)	
	01:53	MS		viious M rom Will	-	d pass fr	om Will Roge	ers (Malik Heat	th	

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#### **Team Stats**

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	LSU	MS	
FIRST DOWNS	15	29	
Rushing	6	10	
Passing	8	18	
Penalty	1	1	
NET YARDS RUSHING	63	115	
Rushing Attempts	27	26	
Average Per Rush	2.3	4.4	
Rushing Touchdowns	0	0	
Yards Gained Rushing	85	120	
Yards Lost Rushing	22	5	
NET YARDS PASSING	280	371	
Completions-Attempts-Int	17-27-1	47-62-1	
Average Per Attempt	10.4	6.0	
Average Per Completion	16.5	7.9	
Passing Touchdowns	4	3	
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	343	486	
Total offense plays	54	88	
Average Gain Per Play	6.4	5.5	
Fumbles: Number-Lost	0-0	1-1	
Penalties: Number-Yards	5-32	6-36	
PUNTS-YARDS	5-197	3-131	
KICKOFFS-YARDS	5-325	4-255	
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	2-26-0	2-7-0	
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0	
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	1-0-0	1-(-10)-0	
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	1-35-0	0-0-0	
Possession Time	24:52	35:08	
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 13	12 of 18	
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	0 of 0	
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-1	3-4	
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-2	2-15	
PAT Kicks	4-4	2-2	
Field Goals	0-0	1-2	
Points off turnovers	7	0	

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## **GAME 5: TEXAS A&M**

**Mississippi State** 

#15 Texas A	&M		4	22			rkville, Mi 298		
MISSISSIPPI STATE RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.		
Dillon Johnson	6	20	1	19	0	7	3.2		
Jo'quavious Marks	5	16	0	16	0	11	3.2		
Will Rogers	4	10	5	5	0	10	1.2		
TEAM	2	0	10	(-10)	0	0	(-5.0)		
<b>PASSING</b> Will Rogers	<b>Com</b> 46	<b>Att</b> 59	Int O	<b>Yds</b> 408	<b>TD</b> 3	Long 25	Sacks 3		
RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long					
Makai Polk	13	126	2	20					
Jo'quavious Marks	7	40	0	12					
Dillon Johnson	6	27	0	8					
Christian Ford	4	40	0	16					
Austin Williams	4	38	0	14					
Lideatrick Griffin	3	52	0	23					
Jamire Calvin	3	33	0	23					
Jaden Walley	3	27	1	25					
Malik Heath	3	25	0	22					
<b>PUNTING</b> Archer Trafford	<b>No.</b> 3	<b>Yds.</b> 122	<b>Avg.</b> 40.7	Long 47	<b>120</b> 2	<b>TB</b> 0			
FIELD GOALS Nolan McCord	<b>Att.</b> 3	<b>Made</b> 1	Long 24	KICKS made 2	4, misse	d 46, miss	sed 49		
	Punts			Kickof		Interce			
ALL RETURNS	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Jaden Walley	2	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fred Peters	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	12	12
TEXAS A&M									
RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.		
Isaiah Spiller	16	107	7	100	0	44	6.2		
Devon Achane	8	75	7	68	0	40	8.5		
Zach Calzada	6	35	29	6	1	25	1.0		
Ainias Smith TEAM	1	3	16	3 (-16)	0	3	3.0 (-16.0)		
PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks		
Zach Calzada	12	20	1	135	1	38	3		
RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long					
Ainias Smith	5	30	0	9					
Jalen Preston	2	49	0	38					
Devon Achane	2	31	0	29					
Jalen Wydermyer	2	17	1	11					
Demond Demas	1	8	0	8					
PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	120	TB			
Nic Constantinou	3	159	53.0	57	2	0			
		Made	Long	KICKS					
FIELD GOALS	Att.					27 mode	1.1.		
FIELD GOALS Seth Small	3	3	44	made 4	0, made	o/, Illaue	44		
			44	made 4		Interce			
	3		44 Lg.					Yds.	Lg.
Seth Small	3 Punts	3		Kickof	fs	Interce	epted	Yds.	<b>Lg.</b> 0

# **Bulldogs Take Down No. 15 Aggies 26-22**

The Bulldogs took down the No. 15 Aggies at Kyle Field as MSU knocked off a ranked Texas A&M team yet again. The Bulldogs have now played a ranked Aggie squad four times since Texas A&M entered the Southeastern Conference in 2012 with victories in three of those meetings. Quarterback **Will Rogers** led the way. He completed 46 of his 59 passes for 408 yards and matched a career high with three touchdown tosses. It marked Rogers' sixth career game with more than 300 yards through the air, a total that stands second in MSU history behind only Dak Prescott. Much of Rogers' success came on throws to receiver Makai Polk. Polk set a trio of new career highs as he hauled in 13 passes for 126 yards and two touchdowns. Overall, State racked up 438 yards of total offense. Meanwhile MSU's defense held Texas A&M to 297 total yards. It was the State defense that got the Bulldogs going early. After Texas A&M received the opening kickoff, MSU safety Fred Peters intercepted an Aggie pass on the first drive of the game. The Bulldogs followed by cashing in with a Nolan McCord 24-yard field goal to go up 3-0. From there, it became a back-and-forth affair. Texas A&M and MSU alternated touchdown passes later in the first quarter. After the Aggies took a 7-3 lead, Rogers hit Jaden Walley for a one-yard score late in the period and State surged back ahead 10-7. Texas A&M was able to reclaim the lead at 13-10 in the second quarter, courtesy of a pair of field goals. However MSU put together a 12-play, 75-yard drive prior to halftime to shift momentum. State was able to go into the locker room with a 17-13 lead after Rogers hit Polk for a 15-yard score. Rogers and Polk hooked up again in the third quarter. With 6:54 left in the frame, Polk gave MSU a 24-13 advantage when he brought down a 20-yard pass. Texas A&M used a third-quarter touchdown and fourth-quarter field goal to pull back within two points at 24-22. However the Aggie comeback was thwarted when MSU cemented its win with a safety with only 2:02 remaining. State followed by recovering an onside kick, then ran out the clock to wrap the game in MSÚ Maroon and White

Miss	issippi S	itate	10	7	7	2	26		
Texa	s A&M		7	6	6	3	22		
1st	11:49	MS	Nolan	McCord	24 yd fie	ld goal			
	09:26	TAMU	Jalen \	Jalen Wydermyer 11 yd pass from Zach Calzada (Seth Small kick)					
	02:58	MS	Jaden	Walley	1 yd pass	from Wi	l Rogers (Nolan McCord kick)		
2nd	14:16	TAMU	Seth S	mall 40	yd field	goal			
	02:47	TAMU	Seth S	mall 37	yd field	goal			
	01:16	MS	Makai	Polk 15	yd pass	- from Will	Rogers (Nolan McCord kick)		
3rd	06:54	MS	Makai	Polk 20	yd pass	from Will	Rogers (Nolan McCord kick)		
	01:18	TAMU	Zach C	alzada 2	25 yd run	(Jalen W	ydermyer pass failed)		
4th	05:39	TAMU	Seth S	mall 44	yd field !	goal			
	02:02	MS	TEAM :	safety	,				

### Team Stats

	MS	TAMU	
FIRST DOWNS	29	15	
Rushing	4	8	
Passing	22	6	
Penalty	3	1	
NET YARDS RUSHING	30	161	
Rushing Attempts	17	32	
Average Per Rush	1.8	5.0	
Rushing Touchdowns	0	1	
Yards Gained Rushing	46	220	
Yards Lost Rushing	16	59	
NET YARDS PASSING	408	135	
Completions-Attempts-Int	46-59-0	12-20-1	
Average Per Attempt	6.9	6.8	
Average Per Completion	8.9	11.2	
Passing Touchdowns	3	1	
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	438	296	
Total offense plays	76	52	
Average Gain Per Play	5.8	5.7	
Fumbles: Number-Lost	0-0	4-0	
Penalties: Number-Yards	7-65	8-59	
PUNTS-YARDS	3-122	3-159	
KICKOFFS-YARDS	5-297	7-403	
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	2-5-0	1-19-0	
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-31-0	
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	1-12-0	0-0-0	
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0	
Possession Time	35:06	24:54	
Third-Down Conversions	3 of 10	4 of 11	
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	0 of 0	
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-5	4-4	
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-29	3-5	
PAT Kicks	3-3	1-1	
Field Goals	1-3	3-3	
Points off turnovers	3	0	

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# **TEAM**

Defense	Rushing
Allowed 60+ points South Carolina, 1995 [65]	Had 400+ yards rushing at Arkansas, 2019 (460)
Allowed 50+ points at Auburn, 2019 (56)	Had 300+ yards rushing Abilene Christian, 2019 (372)
Allowed 40+ points at Alabama, 2020 (41)	Had 250+ yards rushing Abilene Christian, 2019 (372)
Allowed 30+ points Louisiana Tech, 2021 (34)	Had 70+ rushing attempts Arkansas, 2010 (70)
Held opponent scoreless Charleston Southern, 2017 [49-0]	Had 60+ rushing attempts Ole Miss, 2017 (62)
Held opponent scoreless at Scott Field Charleston Southern, 2017 (49-0)	Had 50+ rushing attempts at Arkansas, 2019 (57)
Held opponent scoreless on the road at South Carolina, 1998 (38-0)	
Held opponent scoreless at neutral site vs. Kansas, 1981 (10-0)	Had seven+ rushing TDs Middle Tennessee State, 2010 [7]
Held two opponents scoreless in one season 2014 (Southern Miss, 49-0; Vanderbilt, 51-0)	Had six+ rushing TDs Louisiana, 2018 (6)
Held three opponents scoreless in one season 1963 (Samford, 43-0; at Tennessee, 7-0; Houston, 20-0)	Had five+ rushing TDs Louisiana, 2018 (6)
Held an SEC opponent scoreless Vanderbilt, 2014 (51-0)	Had four+ rushing TDs at Arkansas, 2019 (4)
Held two SEC opponents scoreless in one season 1998 (Vanderbilt, 42-0; at South Carolina, 38-0)	Had three+ rushing TDs Ole Miss, 2019 (3)
Held opponent without an offensive touchdown at Ole Miss, 2018 (35-3)	Had two+ players with 100 yards rushing at Arkansas, 2019 (Kylin Hill, 234; Nick Gibson, 129)
Held opponent to 10 or fewer first downs at Kentucky, 2020 [10]	Had three+ players with 100 yards rushing ULM, 1996 (Tony Buckhalter, 119; Nakia Greer, 110; Robert Isaac, 103)
Held opponent to 0 or fewer yards rushing vs. lowa, 2018 (-15 yds, 20 att.)	Receiving
Held opponent to 25 or fewer yards rushing at Georgia, 2020 (8 yds., 23 att.)	Had two players with 100+ yards receiving at LSU, 2020 (Kylin Hill, 158; Osirus Mitchell, 183; JaVonta Payton, 122)
Held opponent to 50 or fewer yards rushing at Georgia, 2020 (8 yds., 23 att.)	Had three players with 100+ yards receiving at LSU, 2020 (Kylin Hill, 158; Osirus Mitchell, 183; JaVonta Payton, 122)
Held opponent to 50 or fewer yards passing Charleston Southern, 2017 (15)	
Held opponent to 100 or fewer yards passing at Kentucky, 2020 (73)	Had 10+ different receivers catch a pass LSU, 2021 (10)
Held opponent to 100 or fewer yards total offense Charleston Southern, 2017 (33)	Had eight+ different receivers catch a pass at Texas A&M, 2021 [9]
Held opponent to 200 or fewer yards total offense at Kentucky, 2020 (157)	Total Offense/Scoring
Held opponent to 250 or fewer yards total offense at Kentucky, 2020 (157)	iotat offense/scoring
20 10 10	Had 600+ yards total offense at LSU, 2020 (632)
Recorded six+ takeaways at Kentucky, 2007 (6; 3 INT, 3 fumbles)	Had 550+ yards total offense at LSU, 2020 (632)
Recorded five+ takeaways Vanderbilt, 2020 (5; 3 INT, 2 fumbles)	Had 500+ yards total offense at LSU, 2020 (632)
Intercepted five+ passes at Memphis, 2002 (5)	Had 400+ yards total offense at Texas A&M, 2021 (438)
Intercepted four+ passes at Middle Tennessee, 2009 (4)	Totaled 100+ plays Arkansas, 2010 (100)
Intercepted three+ passes Missouri, 2020 (3)	Totaled 90+ plays Ole Miss, 2017 (94)
Deturned three intercentions for TDs. Advances Chate 100/ (Molt Harris /1 unds. limmy Lincomb 20 unds. Durana Cura 20 unds)	Totaled 80+ plays LSU, 2021 (88)
Returned three+ interceptions for TDs Arkansas State, 1994 (Walt Harris, 41 yards; Jimmy Lipscomb, 28 yards; Dwayne Curry, 29 yards)  Returned two+ interceptions for TDs Jackson State, 2012 (Darius Slay, 52 yards; Matthew Wells, 22 yards)	Totaled 70+ plays at Texas A&M, 2021 (76)
Returned one interception for a TD  Returned one interception for a TD  Vs. Tulsa, 2020 (Emmanuel Forbes, 90 yards)	Had 40 minutes+ of possession time at Arkansas, 2019 (40:09)
Two players had 2+ interceptions at Middle Tennessee State, 2009 (Corey Broomfield, 2; Johnthan Banks, 2)	Had 40 minutes+ of possession time     at Arkansas, 2019 (40:09)       Had 35 minutes+ of possession time     LSU, 2021 (35:08)
Returned a fumble for a TD at Louisiana Tech, 2017 (Jeffery Simmons, 90 yards)	Had 30+ first downs BYU, 2017 (35)
	Had 20+ first downs at Texas A&M, 2021 [28]
Scored a safety at Texas A&M, 2021	
Scored two+ safeties Charleston Southern, 2017 (2)	Scored 60+ points Stephen F. Austin, 2018 (63)
Recorded nine+ sacks at Ole Miss, 1996 [9]	Scored 50+ points Missouri, 2020 [51] Scored 40+ points Missouri, 2020 [51]
Recorded eight+ sacks Oklahoma State, 1999 (8)	Scored 40+ points Missouri, 2020 (51) Scored 30+ points Louisiana Tech, 2021 (35)
Recorded seven+ sacks at LSU, 2020 (7)	Scored 30+ points Equisiana recti, 2021 (33)
Recorded six+ sacks at LSU, 2020 (7)	Scored a two-point conversion passing LSU, 2021 (Will Rogers to Malik Heath)
Recorded five+ sacks vs. Tulsa, 2020 (5)	Scored a two-point conversion rushing Ole Miss, 2017 (Keytaon Thompson rush)
Did not record a sack Auburn, 2020	Attempted a two-point conversion LSU, 2021 (pass successful)
Recorded 10+ tackles for loss at Georgia, 2020 (11)	Was held scoreless at Alabama, 2020 (0-41)
Had four players record 10+ tackles Texas A&M, 2012 (B. McKinney, 14; C. Lawrence, 13; N. Whitley, 12; M. Wells, 10)	Was held scoreless at Scott Field LSU, 2007 (0-45)
Had three players record 10+ tackles Vanderbilt, 2020 (Aaron Brule, 12; Martin Emerson, 10; Marcus Murphy, 10)	Was held scoreless on the road at Alabama, 2020 (0-41)
Had two players record 10+ tackles vs. Tulsa, 2020 (Londyn Craft, 10; Erroll Thompson, 10)	Was held scoreless at a neutral site vs. Florida, 1989 (0-21)
	Had 20+ penalties vs. Clemson, 1999 (21)
Passing	Had 10+ penalties Louisiana Tech, 2021 (12)
Had 500+ yards passing at LSU, 2020 (623)	Had 100+ yards in penalties vs. Tulsa, 2020 (102)
Had 500+ yards passing         at LSU, 2020 (623)           Had 450+ yards passing         at LSU, 2020 (623)	Had 300-yard passer and 100-yard rusher in a game BYU, 2001 (Kevin Fant 346 pass & Dicenzo Miller 119 rush)
Had 400+ yards passing at Texas A&M, 2021 (408)	Had 100-yard receiver and 100-yard rusher in a game  Stephen F. Austin, 2018 (Osirus Mitchell 114 receiving & Keytaon Thompson 109 rush)
Had 300+ yards passing LSU, 2021 (371)	That had you grad received and had you desired in a game Seption 1. Austria, 2010 (osticas fritancial fritanci
Had 70+ pass attempts at Kentucky, 2020 (70)	
Had 60+ pass attempts LSU, 2021 (62)	
Had 50+ pass attempts at Texas A&M, 2021 (59) Had 40+ pass attempts at Texas A&M, 2021 (60)	
Had 40+ pass attempts         at Texas A&M, 2021 (59)           Had 30+ pass attempts         at Texas A&M, 2021 (59)	
Had 45+ pass completions at Texas A&M, 2021 [46]	
Had 40+ pass completions at Texas A&M, 2021 [46]	
Had 35+ pass completions at Texas A&M, 2021 [46]	
Had 30+ pass completions at Texas A&M, 2021 [46]	
Had five+ passing TDs at LSU, 2020 (5)	
Had four+ passing TDs at LSU, 2020 (5)	
Had three+ passing TDs at Texas A&M, 2021 (3)	

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Did not commit a turnover	at Texas A&M, 2021
Did not commit a turnover in back-to-back games	Vanderbilt & at Georgia, 2020
Committed eight+ turnovers	at Arkansas, 2003 (8; 6 INT; 2 fumbles)
Committed seven+ turnovers	LSU, 2007 (7; 6 INT, 1 fumble)
Committed six+ turnovers	at Kentucky, 2020 (6; 6 INT)
Committed five+ turnovers	at Kentucky, 2020 (6; 6 INT)
Had five+ fumbles	Georgia Tech, 2009 (5)
Lost four+ fumbles	Georgia Tech, 2009 (4)
Lost three+ fumbles	Louisiana Tech, 2021 (3)
Threw six+ interceptions	at Kentucky, 2020 (6)
Threw five+ interceptions	at Kentucky, 2020 (6)
Threw four+ interceptions	at Kentucky, 2020 (6)
Threw three+ interceptions	at Kentucky, 2020 (6)
Did not cause a turnover	Auburn, 2020

## **Special Teams**

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Returned a punt for a TD	UMass, 2017 (Deddrick Thomas - 82)
Returned a blocked punt for a TD	at Louisiana Tech, 2017 (Jeffery Simmons - 90)
Returned a kickoff for a TD	NC State, 2021 (Lideatrick Griffin - 100)
Returned a blocked FG for a TD	Southern Miss, 2014 (Jay Hughes - 70)
Returned a blocked PAT kick	vs. Texas A&M, 2000 (Julius Griffith)
Blocked three punts	LSU, 1999 (3; Robert Bean, Eugene Clinton, Rob Knight)
Blocked two punts	LSU, 1999 (3; Robert Bean, Eugene Clinton, Rob Knight)
Blocked one punts	at Louisiana Tech, 2017 (Jeffery Simmons)
Blocked a field goal	Louisiana Tech, 2021 (Jaden Crumedy)
Blocked a PAT kick	vs. Miami (Ohio), 2016 (Johnathan Calvin)
Punted 10+ times	at Alabama, 2020 (10)
Did not punt	Troy, 2013
Had a punt blocked	Texas A&M, 2020
Had a field goal blocked	at Arkansas, 2013 (Devon Bell; 28-yard attempt)
Had a kicking PAT blocked	at Louisiana Tech, 2017
Missed a kicking PAT	at Auburn, 2019
Recovered an onside kick	vs. Tulsa, 2020
Recovered two onside kicks	Missouri, 2020

## **INDIVIDUAL**

## **Defense**

Intercepted three+ passes	Mark McLaurin; vs. Louisville, 2017 (3)
Intercepted two+ passes	Emmanuel Forbes; Missouri, 2020 (2)
Returned two interceptions for a touchdown	Johnthan Banks; at Florida, 2009
Returned one interception for a touchdown	Emmanuel Forbes; vs. Tulsa, 2020
Recovered two+ fumbles	Leo Lewis; at Auburn, 2019 (2)
Forced two+ fumbles	Tyrus Wheat; Vanderbilt, 2020 (2)
Recorded five+ sacks	Greg Favors; at Ole Miss, 1996 (5.5)
Recorded four+ sacks	Greg Favors; at Ole Miss, 1996 (5.5)
Recorded three+ sacks	Montez Sweat; Auburn, 2018 (3.0)
Recorded two+ sacks	Aaron Odom; vs. Tulsa, 2020 (2.0)
Recorded five+ tackles for loss	Deljuan Robinson; Auburn, 2006 (5.0)
Recorded four+ tackles for loss	A.J. Jefferson; South Alabama, 2016 (4.0)
Recorded three+ tackles for loss	Kobe Jones; vs. Louisville, 2019 (3.5)
Recorded 20+ tackles	Mario Haggan; Arkansas, 2000 (20)
Recorded 10+ tackles	Londyn Craft (10) and Erroll Thompson (10); vs. Tulsa, 2020
Recorded 10+ tackles in back-to-back games	Erroll Thompson, 2020; Texas A&M (11), at Alabama (11)

## **Passing**

Passed for 600+ yards	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (623)
Passed for 500+ yards	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (623)
Passed for 400+ yards	Will Rogers; at Texas A&M, 2021 (408)
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Passed for 300+ yards	Will Rogers; at Texas A&M, 2021 (408)
Attempted 60+ passes	Will Rogers; LSU, 2021 (62)
Attempted 50+ Passes	Will Rogers; at Texas A&M, 2021 (59)
Attempted 40+ passes	Will Rogers; at Texas A&M, 2021 (59)
Attempted 30+ passes	Will Rogers; at Texas A&M, 2021 (59)
Completed 40+ passes	Will Rogers; at Texas A&M, 2021 (46)
Completed 35+ passes	Will Rogers; at Texas A&M, 2021 (46)
Completed 30+ passes	Will Rogers; at Texas A&M, 2021 (46)
Threw five+ touchdown passes	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (5)
Threw four+ touchdown passes	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (5)
Threw three+ touchdown passes	Will Rogers; at Texas A&M, 2021 (3)
Threw six+ interceptions	Michael Henig; LSU, 2007 (6)
Threw five+ interceptions	Michael Henig; LSU, 2007 (6)
Threw four+ interceptions	K.J. Costello; at Kentucky, 2020 (4)
Threw three+ interceptions	K.J. Costello; at Kentucky, 2020 (4)
Completed pass for 90+ yards	Kevin Fant to Terrell Grindle; Kentucky, 2002 (91)
Completed pass for 80+ yards	Tommy Stevens to Kylin Hill; Abilene Christian, 2019 (88)
Completed pass for 70+ yards	K.J. Costello to Kylin Hill; at LSU, 2020 (75)
Completed pass for 60+ yards	K.J. Costello to Kylin Hill; at LSU, 2020 (75)
Completed pass for 50+ yards	Will Rogers to Jaden Walley; at Georgia, 2020 (51)

## **Rushing**

Rushed 40+ times	Michael Davis; Ole Miss, 1993 (40
Rushed 35+ times	James Johnson; Alabama, 1998 (36
Rushed 30+ times	Vick Ballard; Arkansas, 2010 (33
Rushed for 250+ yards	Nick Fitzgerald; at Ole Miss, 2016 (258
Rushed for 200+ yards	Kylin Hill; at Arkansas, 2019 (234
Rushed for 150+ yards	Kylin Hill; Abilene Christian, 2019 (153
Rushed for 100+ yards	Kylin Hill; Ole Miss, 2019 (132
Rushed for 100+ yards (QB)	Garrett Shrader; Kentucky, 2019 (125
Rushed for four+ touchdowns	Nick Fitzgerald; Louisiana, 2018 (4
Rushed for three+ touchdowns	Kylin Hill; at Arkansas, 2019 (3
Rushed for two+ touchdowns	Joʻquavious Marks; Louisiana Tech, 2021 (2
Had a run of 80+ yards	James Johnson; at Alabama, 1997 (83
Had a run of 70+ yards	Nick Fitzgerald; Texas A&M, 2018 (76
Had a run of 60+ yards	Kylin Hill; at Arkansas, 2019 (62
Had a run of 50+ yards	Kylin Hill; at Arkansas, 2019 (62

# Receiving

Caught 15+ passes	Kylin Hill; at Kentucky, 2020 (15)
Caught 10+ passes	Makai Polk; at Texas A&M, 2021 (13)
Had 200+ yards receiving	Donald Gray; Samford, 2016 (207)
Had 150+ yards receiving	Jaden Walley; at Ole Miss, 2020 (167)
Had 100+ yards receiving	Makai Polk; at Texas A&M, 2021 (126)
Caught three+ TD passes	Donald Gray; Samford, 2016 (3)
Caught two+ TD passes	Makai Polk; at Texas A&M, 2021 (2)

# **Total Offense/Scoring**

Had 550+ yards total offense	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (585)
Had 500+ yards total offense	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (585)
Had 400+ yards total offense	Will Rogers; at Texas A&M, 2021 (413)
Had 300+ yards total offense	Will Rogers; at Texas A&M, 2021 (413)
Had both 100 yards passing and rushing	Garrett Shrader; Kentucky, 2019 (125 rush, 180 pass)
Scored four+ touchdowns	Nick Fitzgerald; Louisiana, 2018 (4 rush)
Scored three+ touchdowns	Joʻquavious Marks; Louisiana Tech, 2021 (2 rush, 1 receiving)
Scored two+ touchdowns	Makai Polk; at Texas A&M, 2021 (2 receiving)
Five+ touchdowns responsible for	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (5 pass)
Four+ touchdowns responsible for	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (5 pass)
Three+ touchdowns responsible for	Will Rogers; at Texas A&M, 2021 (3 pass)
Scored two+ non-offensive TDs	Jeffery Simmons; at Louisiana Tech, 2017 (FR & blocked punt)

## **Special Teams**

Scored 15+ points kicking	Derek DePasquale; UAB, 2010 (17)
Scored 10+ points kicking	Brandon Ruiz; Missouri, 2020 (12)
Attempted five+ field goals	Derek DePasquale; UAB, 2010 (5-for-5)
Attempted four+ field goals	Derek DePasquale; UAB, 2010 (5-for-5)
Attempted three+ field goals	Nolan McCord; at Texas A&M, 2021 (1-for-3)
Made one field goal of 50+ yards	Jace Christmann; at Tennessee, 2019 (51)
Attempted two field goals of 50+ yards	Brian Hazelwood; Memphis, 1997 (51, 53)
Attempted one field goal of 50+ yards	Brandon Ruiz; Louisiana Tech, 2021 (52)
80+ yard punt	Mike Patrick; at Alabama, 1974
70+ yard punt	Tucker Day; LSU, 2019 (70)
60+ yard punt	Reed Bowman; Vanderbilt, 2020 (63)
Punted 10+ times	Blake McAdams; at Ole Miss, 2008 (12)
Totaled 175+ kickoff return yards	Jameon Lewis; at Ole Miss, 2012 (183, 5 ret.)
Totaled 150+ kickoff return yards	Jameon Lewis; at Ole Miss, 2012 (183, 5 ret.)
Totaled 100+ kickoff return yards	Lideatrick Griffin, NC State, 2021 (100, 1 ret.)
Returned a kickoff off for a touchdown	Lideatrick Griffin, NC State, 2021 (100 yards)
Returned the opening kickoff off for a touchdown	Lideatrick Griffin, NC State, 2021 (100 yards)

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## **TEAM**

## **Defense**

Held MSU to 10 or fewer first downs	at Alabama, 2018 (7)
Recorded 10+ sacks	at Ole Miss, 2008 (11)
Recorded nine+ sacks	Alabama, 2019 (9)
Recorded eight+ sacks	Alabama, 2019 (9)
Recorded seven+ sacks	Tennessee, 2019 (7)
Recorded six+ sacks	Auburn, 2020 (6)
Recorded five+ sacks	Auburn, 2020 (6)
Scored one safety	Texas A&M, 2013
Scored multiple safeties	Florida, 2005 (2)
Held MSU to 0 or fewer yards rushing	Vanderbilt, 2020 (minus-22)
Held MSU to 25 or fewer yards rushing	Auburn, 2020 (19)
Held MSU to 50 or fewer yards rushing	at Texas A&M, 2021 (30)
Held MSU to 50 or fewer yards passing	Florida, 2010 (33)
Held MSU to 100 or fewer yards passing	Auburn, 2018 (69)
Held MSU to 100 or less yards total offense	at Ole Miss, 2008 (37)
Held MSU to 200 or less yards total offense	at Alabama, 2020 (200)
Held MSU to 300 or less yards total offense	vs. Tulsa, 2020 (271)
Held MSU to 100 or fewer yards both rushing & passing	at Ole Miss, 2008 (minus-51 rush, 88 pass)
Returned an interception for a TD	Louisiana Tech, 2021 (Trey Baldwin; 35 yards)
Returned a fumble for a TD	at Memphis, 2021 (Blake Sanchez 49-yd fumble recovery)

# **Passing**

Had 450+ yards passing	Samford, 2016 (468)
Had 400+ yards passing	at Georgia, 2020 (401)
Had 300+ yards passing	vs. Tulsa, 2020 (347)
Had 60+ pass attempts	Samford, 2016 (70)
Had 50+ pass attempts	Samford, 2016 (70)
Had 40+ pass attempts	NC State, 2021 (49)
Had 40+ pass completions	Samford, 2016 (42)
Had 30+ pass completions	NC State, 2021 (33)
Had 20+ pass completions	Louisiana Tech, 2021 (21)
Threw five+ passing TDs	Alabama, 2016 (5)
Threw four+ passing TDs	LSU, 2021 (4)
Threw three+ passing TDs	LSU, 2021 (4)

# **Rushing**

Had 400+ yards rushing	Georgia Tech, 2014 (452)
Had 300+ yards rushing	Arkansas, 2016 (357)
Had 200+ yards rushing	Auburn, 2020 (218)
Had 70+ rushing attempts	Oklahoma State, 1998 (71)
Had 60+ rushing attempts	Georgia Tech, 2014 (61)
Had 50+ rushing attempts	Auburn, 2016 (58)
Had 40+ rushing attempts	vs. Tulsa, 2020 (40)
Had six+ rushing TDs	Auburn, 2019 (6)
Had five+ rushing TDs	Auburn, 2019 (6)
Had four+ rushing TDs	Texas A&M, 2019 (4)
Had two players with 100 yards rushing	Arkansas, 2016 (Rawleigh Williams III 205, Devwah Whaley 112)

## Receiving

Had two players with 100 yards receiving in a game	vs. Tulsa, 2020 (Stokes, Keylon, 117; JuanCarols Santana 112)
Had 10+ players catch a pass	Louisiana Tech, 2021 (10)
Had eight+ players catch a pass	LSU, 2021 (9)

# **Total Offense/Scoring**

3	
10+ yards total offense	Arkansas, 2016 (661)
10+ yards total offense	at Ole Miss, 2020 (550)
10+ yards total offense	vs. Tulsa, 2020 (484)
d 100+ plays	Samford, 2016 (104)
1 90+ plays	Samford, 2016 (104)
1 80+ plays	vs. Tulsa, 2020 (86)
d 70+ plays	Vanderbilt, 2020 (82)
ssful two-point conversion	Missouri, 2020 (pass)
two-point conversion	at Texas A&M, 2021 (pass)
I+ first downs	Vanderbilt, 2020 (30)
+ first downs	vs. Tulsa, 2020 (27)
I+ penalties	at Ole Miss, 2020 (10)
0+ yards in penalties	LSU, 2017 (112)
i minutes+ of possession time	Louisiana Tech, 2017 (36:08)
o 100-yard rushers and one 100-yard receiver G	Georgia Tech, 2014 (Days, 171 rush; Thomas, 121 rush; Waller, 114 rec.)
e 100-yard rusher and one 100-yard receiver	Vanderbilt, 2020 (Henry-Brooks, 115 rush; Johnson 114 rec.)
I+ first downs I+ penalties IO+ yards in penalties in minutes+ of possession time IO 100-yard rushers and one 100-yard receiver G	vs. Tulsa, ¿ at Ole Miss, ¿ LSU, 20 Louisiana Tech, 201 Georgia Tech, 2014 (Days, 171 rush; Thomas, 121 rush; Waller,

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Turnovers	
Committed six+ turnovers	at Kentucky, 2007 (6; 3 INT, 2 fumbles)
Committed five+ turnovers	Vanderbilt, 2020 (5; 3 INT, 2 fumbles)
Did not commit a turnover	Auburn, 2020
Had five+ fumbles	Ole Miss, 2011 (6)
Had four+ fumbles	Charleston Southern, 2017 (4)
Had three+ fumbles	Vanderbilt, 2020 (3)
Lost four+ fumbles	LSU, 2004 (4)
Lost three+ fumbles	Auburn, 2019 (3)

Returned a punt for a TD	at Memphis, 2021 (Calvin Austin III - 94
Returned a blocked punt for a TD	Ole Miss, 2013 (Terrell Grant - O
Returned a kickoff for a TD	NC State, 2021 (Lideatrick Griffin - 100
Punted 10+ times	Vanderbilt, 2009 (11
Did not punt	Arkansas, 2010
Missed two+ kicking PATs	Tulane, 2006 (2
Missed one kicking PAT	Ole Miss, 2019
Blocked a field goal	Arkansas, 2013
Blocked a punt	Texas A&M, 2021

## INDIVIDUAL

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Defense	
Intercepted three+ passes	Craig Steltz; LSU, 2007 (3)
Intercepted two+ passes	Joe Foucha; Arkansas, 2020 (2)
Recorded three+ sacks	Jonathan Allen; Alabama, 2015 (3.0)
Recorded two+ sacks	Demarvin Leal; at Texas A&M, 2021 (2.0)
Passing	
Passed for 450+ yards	Devlin Hodges; Samford, 2016 (468)
Passed for 400+ yards	JT Daniels; at Georgia, 2020 (401)
Passed for 300+ yards	Zach Smith; vs. Tulsa, 2020 (347)
Attempted 60+ passes	Devlin Hodges; Samford, 2016 (69)
Attempted 50+ passes	Devlin Hodges; Samford, 2016 (69)
Attempted 40+ passes	Devin Leary; NC State, 2021 (49)
Completed 40+ passes	Devlin Hodges; Samford, 2016 (42)
Completed 30+ passes	Ken Seals; Vanderbilt, 2020 (31)
Completed 20+ passes	Austin Kendall; Louisiana Tech, 2021 (20)
Threw five+ touchdown passes	Brandon Allen; Arkansas, 2015 (7)
Threw four+ touchdown passes	Max Johnson; LSU, 2021 (4)
Threw three+ touchdown passes	Max Johnson; LSU, 2021 (4)
Completed a pass for 80+ yards	Matt Corral to Braylon Sanders; at Ole Miss, 2020 (81)
Completed a pass for 70+ yards	Austin Kendall to Bub Means; Louisiana Tech, 2021 (72)
Completed a pass for 60+ yards	Max Johnson to Kayshon Boutte; LSU, 2021 (64)
Completed a pass for 50+ yards	Max Johnson to Kayshon Boutte; LSU, 2021 (64)
Rushing	
Rushed 40+ times	Deuce McAllister; Ole Miss, 1998 (40)
Rushed 35+ times	Kamryn Pettway; Auburn, 2016 (39)
Rushed 30+ times	Kamryn Pettway; Auburn, 2016 (39)
Rushed for 200+ yards	Rawleigh Williams III; Arkansas, 2016 (205)
Rushed for 150+ yards	Tank Bigsby; Auburn, 2020 (192)
Rushed for 100+ yards	Isaiah Spiller; at Texas A&M, 2021 (100)
Rushed for five+ touchdowns	Carnell Williams; Auburn, 2003 (6)

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Elijah Moore; at Ole Miss, 2020 (12)
Keylon Stokes; vs. Tulsa, 2020 (9)
Keyon Henry-Brooks (11) and Cam Johnson (10); Vanderbilt, 2020
DeVonta Harris; at Alabama, 2020 (203)
Jermaine Burton; at Georgia, 2020 (197)
Stokes, Keylon (117) and JuanCarols Santana (112); vs. Tulsa, 2020
DeVonta Harris; at Alabama, 2020 (4)
DeVonta Harris; at Alabama, 2020 (4)
Kayshon Boutte; LSU, 2021 (2)

## **Total Offense/Scoring**

Had 500+ yards total offense	Devlin Hodges; Samford, 2016 (513)
Had 400+ yards total offense	Jalen Hurts; Alabama, 2016 (447)
Had 300+ yards of total offense	Austin Kendall; Lousiana Tech, 2021 (337)
Had both 100 yards passing and rushing	Lamar Jackson; vs. Louisville, 2017 (171 pass/158 rush)
Scored four+ touchdowns	DeVonta Harris; at Alabama, 2020 (4)
Scored three+ touchdowns	Najee Harris; Alabama, 2019 (3 rush)
Seven+ touchdowns responsible for	Brandon Allen; Arkansas, 2015 (7 pass)
Six+ touchdowns responsible for	Brandon Allen; Arkansas, 2015 (7 pass)
Five+ touchdowns responsible for	Kellen Mond; at Texas A&M, 2019 (3 pass, 2 rush)
Four+ touchdowns responsible for	Max Johnson; LSU, 2021 (4 pass)

## **Special Teams**

Benny Snell; at Kentucky, 2018 (4)

Marquis Young; UMass, 2016 (83)

Lamar Jackson; vs. Louisville, 2017 (75)

Lamar Jackson; vs. Louisville, 2017 (75)

Austin Kendall; Louisiana Tech, 2021 (59)

Scored 10+ points kicking	Jacob Barnes; Louisiana Tech, 2021 (10)
Made five+ field goals	Austin MacGinnis; Kentucky, 2016 (5)
Made four+ field goals	Cole Tracy; at LSU, 2018 (4)

Rushed for four+ touchdowns

Had a run of 80+ yards

Had a run of 70+ yards

Had a run of 60+ yards

Had a run of 50+ yards

## **SCORING SUMMARY**

Plays	lays Yds Time Resul		Result	Qtr.	Scoring Play
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7	40	3:41	TD	1	Marks 1-yard pass from Rogers (Ruiz kick)
}	33	1:45	TD	1	Calvin 20-yard pass from Rogers (Ruiz kick)
}	21	0:59	TD	4	Marks 1-yard rush (Ruiz kick)
7	77	3:25	TD	4	Marks 5-yard rush (Ruiz kick)
)	52	2:30	TD	4	Walley 15-yard pass from Rogers (Ruiz kick)
IC St	ate				
-			TD	1	Griffin 100-yard kick return (Ruiz kick)
3	83	4:30	TD	2	Heath 21-yard pass from Rogers (Ruiz kick)
7	54	4:12	TD	3	Walley 4-yard pass from Rogers (McCord kick)
}	51	2:23	FG	4	McCord 32-yard field goal
nt Me	mphis				
7	54	8:39	FG	1	McCord 39-yard field goal
0	75	4:28	TD	2	D. Johnson 3-yard rush (McCord kick)
)	81	3:41	TD	2	Walley 6-yard pass from Rogers (McCord kick)
Ò	57	2:29	TD	4	Heath 9-yard pass from Rogers (Rogers pass failed)
	65	0:29	TD	4	Polk 36-yard pass from Rogers (Rogers rush failed)
.SU					
4	80	6:19	FG	2	McCord 23-yard field goal
}	75	3:09	TD	3	Polk 29-yard pass from Rogers (McCord kick)
2	75	4:44	TD	4	Williams 2-yard pass from Rogers (McCord kick)
2	66	3:43	TD	4	Marks 16-yard pass from Rogers (Rogers pass successful)
at Tex	as A&N	1			
Ò	19	2:28	FG	1	McCord 24-yard field goal
2	75	6:28	TD	1	Walley 1-yard pass from Rogers (McCord kick)
)	75	1:31	TD	2	Polk 15-yard pass from Rogers (McCord kick)
0	77	4:18	TD	3	Polk 20-yard pass from Rogers (McCord kick)

## **SCORING BREAKDOWN**

## MISSISSIPPI STATE DRIVES

Offense: 22 scoring drives (18 TD, 4 FG)

Special Teams/Defensive: 1: Griffin 100-yard kick return - NC STATE (9/11).

#### LONGEST SCORING DRIVES BY:

Plays:	17 14	at Memphis (9/18) LSU (9/25)
Yards:	83 81	NC STATE (9/11) at Memphis (9/18)
Time:	8:39 6:28	at Memphis (9/18) at Texas A&M (10/2)

## **OPPONENT DRIVES**

Offense: 19 scoring drives (12 TD, 7 FG)

Special Teams/Defensive: 3: Baldwin 35-yard interception return - LOUISIANA TECH (9/4); Blake 49-yard fumble return - at Memphis (9/18); Austin III 94-yard punt return - at Memphis (9/18).

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## LONGEST SCORING DRIVES BY:

Plays:	12	at Memphis (9/18)
	11	NC STATE (9/11)
Yards:	98 75	at Memphis (9/18) Four times (Last: at Texas A&M 10/2)
Time:	5:38 5:36	at Texas A&M (10/2) at Texas A&M (10/2)

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	LATC	NCST	at MEM	LSU	at TA&M	ALA	VAN	UK	UK at ARK
rst Downs	22	15	26	29	28				
Rushing	5 17	1 14	6 18	10 18	22				
Passing Penalty			2	10	2				
et Yards Rushing	65	22	50	115	30				
Rushing Attempts	19	14	16	26	17				
Average Per Rush	3.4	1.5	3.1	4.4	1.8				
Rushing Touchdowns	2		1						
Yards Gained	90	30	69	120	46				
Yards Lost	25	8	19	5	16				
Net Yards Passing	370	294	419	371	408				
Completions	39 47	33	50	47	46			_	
Attempts Interceptions	1	49	67	62 1	59 				
Yards Per Attempt	7.9	6.0	6.3	6.0	6.9				
Yards Per Completion	9.5	8.9	8.4	7.9	8.9				
Passing Touchdowns	3	2	3	3	3				
Total Offensive Yards	435	316	469	486	438				
Plays	66	64	83	88	76				
Yards Per Play	6.6	4.9	5.7	5.5	5.8				
Fumbles-Lost	3-3	0-0	2-1	1-1	0-0				
Penalties-Yards	12-96	9-60	8-59	6-36	7-65			 _	
Punts-Yards	5-210	7-251	5-211	3-131	3-122				
Yards Per Punt	42.0	35.9	42.2	43.7	40.7				
Net Yards Per Punt	37.2	33.0	46.8	35.0	37.7				
Inside 20		1	3	1	2				
50+ Yard Kicks		1	2	1				_	
Touchbacks Fair Catch	2	1 2			2			_	
Kickoffs-Yards	6-385	5-325	6-271	4-255	5-315			_	
Yards Per Kickoff	64.2	<b>5-325</b> 65.0	45.2	63.8	63.0			_	
Net Yards Per Kickoff	40.3	49.0	28.5	41.2	36.4			-	
Touchbacks	5	47.0	4	2	2			_	
Punt Returns		5	2	2	1				
Yards		49	3	7	5				
Touchdowns									
Yards Per Return		9.8	(-1.5)	3.5	5.0				
Kickoff Returns	4	1	5						
Yards	144	100	64						
Touchdowns		1							
Yards Per Return	36.0	100.0	12.8						
Interceptions	1	2	1	1	1				
Yards			21	-10	12				
Touchdowns									
Fumble Recoveries									
Returns-Yards			1						
Touchdowns									
Miscellaneous Yards	12.20	21.07	 2/.E7	 2E.00	2/-2/			_	
Possession Times	<b>32:20</b>	31:06	36:57	35:08	34:36				
1st Quarter 2nd Quarter	9:11	4:52 11:19	11:40 11:36	8:09 9:09	8:56 6:18			_	
3rd Quarter	4:55	8:51	3:54	9:09	7:50				
4th Quarter	7:05	6:04	9:47	8:27	11:32				
3rd-Down Conversions	2-8	3-13	9-17	12-18	3-10				
4th-Down Conversions		1-2	0-1	0-0	0-0				
Red Zone Scoring	5-5	2-2	4-5	3-4	4-5				
Touchdowns	5	1	3	2	3				
Field Goals		1	1	1	1				
Sacks By-Yards	1-9	4-31	1-3	2-15	3-29				
PAT Kicks	5-5	3-3	2-2	2-2	3-3				
Field Goals	0-1	1-1	1-1	1-2	1-3				
Total Points	35	24	29	25	26				
Touchdowns Rushing	2								
Touchdowns Passing	3	2	3	3	3				
Touchdown Returns		1							
								_	
Other Touchdowns									
Other Touchdowns Safeties					1			_	
Other Touchdowns Safeties Kick PAT-Attempts	 5-5	3-3	2-2	2-2	3-3				
Other Touchdowns Safeties									

	LATC	NCST	at MEM	LSU	at TA&M	ALA	VAN	UK	at ARK	at AUB	TNST	0M
First Downs	14	16	12	15	15				-			
Rushing	2	2	5	6	8							
Passing	10	13	6	8	6							
Penalty	2	1	1	1	1							
let Yards Rushing	101	34	87	63	162							
Rushing Attempts	25	25	25	27	32							
Average Per Rush	4.0	1.4	3.5	2.3	5.1							
Rushing Touchdowns	1				1							
Yards Gained	123	72	105	85	221							
Yards Lost	22	38	18	22	59							
let Yards Passing	268	303	159	280	135							
Completions	21	30	16	17	12							
<u> </u>	37	51	28	27	20							
Attempts	1		1	1	1							
Interceptions		2										
Yards Per Attempt	7.2	5.9	5.7	10.4	6.8							
Yards Per Completion	12.8	10.1	9.9	16.5	11.2							
Passing Touchdowns	2	11	2	4	11							
ital Offensive Yards	369	335	246	343	297							
Plays	62	76	53	54	52							
Yards Per Play	6.0	4.4	4.6	6.4	5.7							
umbles-Lost	1-1	2-1	0-0	0-0	4-0							
enalties-Yards	7-36	6-59	6-55	5-32	8-59							
Punts-Yards	7-270	7-305	5-231	5-197	3-159							
Yards Per Punt	38.6	43.6	46.2	39.4	53.0							
Net Yards Per Punt	37.3	36.6	46.8	34.0	56.3							
Inside 20	2	1	3	2	2							
50+ Yard Kicks	1	2	2	1	2							
Touchbacks	1			1								
Fair Catch	3	1		1	1							
ickoffs-Yards	7-413	2-130	6-307	5-325	6-390							
Yards Per Kickoff	59.0	65.0	51.2	65.0	65.0							
Net Yards Per Kickoff	29.7	5.0	36.3	40.0	40.0							
Touchbacks	2	1	1	5	6							
ınt Returns	3		2	2	1							
Yards	24		107	26	19							
Touchdowns			1									
Yards Per Return	8.0		53.5	13.0	19.0							
ickoff Returns	1				1							
Yards	18				31							
Touchdowns												
Yards Per Return	18.0				31.0							
terceptions	1			1								
Yards	35											
Touchdowns	1											
umble Recoveries	3		1	1								
Returns-Yards	1-0		1-49	1-35								
Touchdowns			1									
iscellaneous Yards												
ossession Times	27:04	28:54	23:03	24:52	24:32							
1st Quarter	3:51	10:08	3:20	6:51	5:42							
2nd Quarter	5:49	3:41	3:24	5:51	8:38							
3rd Quarter	10:05	6:09	11:06	5:37	7:10							
4th Quarter	7:55	8:56	5:13	6:33	3:02							
d-Down Conversions	4-15	6-20	2-12	5-13	4-11							
h-Down Conversions	1-1	1-3	1-3	1-1	0-0							
ed Zone Scoring	2-2	2-2		1-1	4-4							
Touchdowns	0	1		1	1							
Field Goals	2	1			3							
cks By-Yards	3-29	1-3	2-14	1-2	3-5							
T Kicks	4-4	1-1	4-4	4-4	1-1							
eld Goals	2-3	1-2	1-1		3-3							
tal Points	34	10	31	28	22							
Touchdowns Rushing	1											
Touchdowns Passing	2	1	2	4	1							
Touchdown Returns	1				1							
Other Touchdowns			2									
Safeties												
Kick PAT-Attempts			4-4		1-1							
	4-4	1-1		4-4								
2pt PAT-Attempts					0-1							
Field Goals-Attempts	2-3	1-2	1-1		3-3							
oints Off Turnovers	10		7	7	0							

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# INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME

RUSHING													·
(ATT-YDS-TD)	LATC	NCST	at MEM	LSU	at TA&M	ALA	VAN	UK	at ARK	at AUB	TNST	OM	
Dillon Johnson	2-12-0	6-18-0	7-49-1	8-51-0	6-19-0								
Jo'quavious Marks	12-71-2	6-11-0	4-1-0	13-46-0	5-16-0								
J.J. Jernighan	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-5-0	0-0-0	0-0-0								
Will Rogers	5-(-18)-0	2-(-5)-0	3-(-6)-0	5-18-0	4-5-0								

RECEIVING													
(REC-YDS-TD)	LATC	NCST	at MEM	LSU	at TA&M	ALA	VAN	UK	at ARK	at AUB	TNST	0M	
Makai Polk	10-57-0	4-33-0	11-136-1	8-78-1	13-126-2								
Austin Williams	5-57-0	3-48-0	6-44-0	6-62-1	4-38-0								
Jaden Walley	4-64-1	5-44-1	5-58-1	2-9-0	3-27-1								
J. Marks	9-27-1	7-28-0	6-39-0	9-67-1	7-40-0								
Dillon Johnson	3-14-0	6-70-0	7-32-0	9-58-0	6-27-0								
Malik Heath	0-0-0	2-29-1	9-88-1	5-48-0	3-25-0								
Jamire Calvin	3-67-1	2-17-0	3-7-0	2-21-0	3-33-0								
L. Griffin	2-29-0	3-22-0	0-0-0	3-18-0	3-52-0								
Rara Thomas	3-55-0	1-3-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP								
Christian Ford	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	2-14-0	4-40-0								
J.J. Jernighan	0-0-0	0-0-0	3-15-0	0-0-0	0-0-0								
Will Rogers	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-(-4)-0	0-0-0								

## **PASSING**

Rogers, Will							
	C-A-I	Pct.	Yards	TD	Long	Sack-Yards	Efficiency
LOUISIANA TECH	39-47-1	.830	370	3	40	3-29	165.91
NC STATE	33-49-0	.673	294	2	34	1-3	131.22
at Memphis	50-67-0	.746	419	3	41	2-14	141.93
LSU	47-62-1	.758	371	3	29	1-2	138.81
at Texas A&M	46-59-0	.780	408	3	25	3-5	152.83
ALABAMA							
at Vanderiblt							
KENTUCKY							
at Arkansas							
at Auburn							
TENNESSEE STATE							
OLE MISS							

KICKING	& PUN	ITING						
KICKOFFS								
Season	КО	Total Yards	TB	OB	Kick Avg.	Returns	Rtn. Yds.	Yds./ Rtn.
Goodman, Scott	15	7815	9	1	52.3	1	18	18.0
Ruiz, Brandon	8	490	6	0	61.2			
Day, Tucker	3	193	2	0	56.5	1	31	31.0
OPPONENT	27	1578	15	1	58.4	10	308	30.8

Season	КО	Total Yards	TB	OB	Kick Avg.	Opp Returns	Rtn. Yds.	Yds./ Rtn.
LOUISIANA TECH	6	385	5		64.2	1	18	18.0
NC STATE	5	325	4		65.0			
at Memphis	4	260	4		65.0			
LSU	4	255	2		63.8			
at Texas A&M	5	315	2		63.0	1	31	31.0
ALABAMA								
at Vanderiblt								
KENTUCKY								
at Arkansas								
at Auburn								
TENNESSEE STATE								
OLE MISS								

PUNTING									
Season	No.	Total Yds	Avg.	Long	TB	FC	120	50+	Blk
Day, Tucker	12	461	38.4	56	1	4	1	1	0
Trafford, Archer	11	464	42.2	57	1	3	4	2	0

Game	No.	Total Yds	Avg.	Long	ТВ	FC	120	50+	Blk
LOUISIANA TECH	5	210	42.0	46	0	2	0	0	0
NC STATE	7	251	35.9	56	1	2	1	1	0
at Memphis	5	211	42.2	57	1	1	1	1	0
LSU	3	131	43.7	53	0	0	1	1	0
at Texas A&M	3	122	40.7	47	0	2	2	0	0
ALABAMA									
at Vanderiblt									
KENTUCKY									
at Arkansas									
at Auburn									
TENNESSEE STATE									
OLE MISS									

# INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME

TACKLES															
(UT-AT)	UT-AT	TT	LATC	NCST	at MEM	LSU	at TA&M	ALA	VAN	UK	at ARK	at AUB	TNST	OM	
Jett Johnson	16-21	37	2-2	5-4	5-3	2-6	2-6								
Fred Peters	9-21	30	1-8	2-4	1-2	4-5	1-2								
Martin Emerson	19-8	27	3-2	5-1	5-3	2-1	4-1								
Emmanuel Forbes	20-7	27	2-1	9-2	2-1	2-2	5-1								
Nathaniel Watson	8-18	26	2-5	1-4		1-5	4-4								
Cameron Young	7-14	21	2-2	1-5	1-1	1-3	2-3								
Jalen Green	9-10	19	3-3	2-2	2-1	1-3	1-1								
Aaron Brule	7-10	17	3-4	2-2	1-1	1-3									
Collin Duncan	5-12	17	0-4	2-3	2-2	0-3	1-0								
Randy Charlton	7-10	17	1-4	2-0	3-1	1-3	0-2								
Tyrus Wheat	4-10	14	1-2	0-3	1-1	1-2	1-2								
Jaden Crumedy	3-6	9	1-2	1-1	1-1		0-2								
Sherman Timbs	1-5	6	0-1	1-1	0-1	0-2									
Nathan Pickering	2-4	6	0-1	0-2	0-1		2-0								
Aaron Odom	3-3	6		1-1	1-0	1-2									
Jack Harris	0-4	4	DNP	0-1	0-1	0-2									
Shawn Preston Jr.	1-2	3	1-2	DNP											
Decamerion Richardson	2-0	2	1-0				1-0								
Grant Jackson	1-0	1	1-0												
Jaden Walley	0-1	1	0-1												
DeMonte Russell	1-0	1	DNP	DNP			1-0								
Makai Polk	1-0	1				1-0									
Tucker Day	1-0	1					1-0								

# **INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME**

<b>TFL &amp; SACKS</b>												
TFL (Sacks)	LATC	NCST	at MEM	LSU	at TA&M	ALA	VAN	UK	at ARK	at AUB	TNST	OM
Emmanuel Forbes	1.0	1.5 (1.0)			1.0							
Aaron Brule	2.0 (1.0)	0.5										
Jett Johnson		0.5	1.0	1.0	0.5							
Randy Charlton		1.0 (1.0)		1.0 (1.0)	0.5							
Jalen Green	1.0	0.5										
Jaden Crumedy		1.5 (1.0)			0.5							
Aaron Odom				1.5 (1.0)								
Tyrus Wheat			1.0 (1.0)	0.5	1.5 (1.0)							
Martin Emerson		0.5	1.0									
Nathaniel Watson		0.5	DNP	0.5	1.0 (1.0)							
Cameron Young		0.5			1.0							
Nathan Pickering					1.0 (1.0)							
Collin Duncan		0.5										
Jack Harris	DNP			0.5			-		-			
Sherman Timbs		0.5										·

# TACKLE BREAKDOWN

Johnson, Jett	26
Peters, Fred	20
Watson, Nathaniel	17
Young, Cameron	16
Charlton, Randy	12
Brule, Aaron	10
Green, Jalen	10
Crumedy, Jaden	8
Wheat, Tyrus	8
Forbes, Emmanuel	7
Emerson, Martin	6
Pickering, Nathan	5
Timbs, Sherman	4
Duncan, Collin	4
Odom, Aaron	4
Preston Jr., Shawn	2
Harris, Jack	2
Russell, DeMonte	1
TOTALS	162

Emerson, Martin	20
Forbes, Emmanuel	17
Duncan, Collin	13
Green, Jalen	9
Johnson, Jett	9
Peters, Fred	8
Watson, Nathaniel	8
Brule, Aaron	5
Wheat, Tyrus	4
Young, Cameron	4
Charlton, Randy	3
Harris, Jack	2
Richardson, Decamerion	2
Preston Jr., Shawn	1
TOTALS	105

SPECIAL TEAMS TACKLES	Total	K0	Punt
Peters, Fred	2	0	2
Timbs, Sherman	2	0	2
Brule, Aaron	1	0	1
Day, Tucker	1	1	0
Emerson, Martin	1	0	1
Johnson, Jett	1	1	0
Jackson, Grant	1	0	1
Walley, Jaden	1	0	1
Young, Cameron	1	0	1
TOTALS	11	2	9

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# INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME

<b>ALL-PURPO</b>	SE YARD	S											
	Total	LATC	NCST	at MEM	LSU	at TA&M	ALA	VAN	UK	at ARK	at AUB	TNST	OM
Makai Polk	430	57	33	136	78	126							
Dillon Johnson	392	26	88	123	109	46							
Lideatrick Griffin	384	173	122	19	18	52							
Jo'quavious Marks	346	98	39	40	113	56							
Austin Williams	267	57	66	44	62	38							
Jaden Walley	242	64	75	55	16	32							
Malik Heath	190	-	29	88	48	25							
Jamire Calvin	145	67	17	7	21	33							
Rara Thomas	58	55	3	-	-	DNP							
Christian Ford	54	DNP	-	DNP	14	40							
J.J. Jernighan	20	-	-	20	-	-							
Fred Peters	12	-	-	-	-	12							
Emmanuel Forbes	11	-	-	21	-10	-							
Sherman Timbs	3	-	-	3	-	-							
Will Rogers	-10	-18	-5	-6	14	5							
TEAM	-12	-	-2	-	-	-10							

RED ZONE	RECAP						ريطا
		MISSISSIPPI STATE				OPPONENT	•
Opponent	Scores/Chances	Result	Pct.	Opponent	Scores/Chances	Result	Pct.
LOUISIANA TECH	5/5	5 TD, 0 FG	100%	LOUISIANA TECH	2/2	0 TD, 2 FG	100%
NC STATE	2/2	1 TD, 1 FG	100%	NC STATE	1/3	1 TD, 0 FG	33%
at Memphis	4/5	3 TD, 1 FG	80%	at Memphis	0/0	O TD, O FG	0%
LSU	3/4	2 TD, 1 FG	75%	LSU	1/1	1 TD, 0 FG	100%
at Texas A&M	4/5	3 TD, 1 FG	80%	at Texas A&M	4/4	1 TD, 3 FG	100%
ALABAMA				ALABAMA			
at Vanderiblt				at Vanderiblt			
KENTUCKY				KENTUCKY			
at Arkansas				at Arkansas			
at Auburn				at Auburn			
TENNESSEE STATE				TENNESSEE STATE			
OLE MISS				OLE MISS			
TOTAL	18/21	14 TD, 4 FG, 1 Downs	86%	TOTAL	8/10	3 TD, 5 FG, 0 Downs	80%
		O Interceptions, O Fumbles				O Interceptions, O Fumbles	

GAME LEADER	S					
Opponent	Rushing Attempts	Rushing Yards	Receptions	Receiving Yards	All-Purpose Yards	Tackles
LOUISIANA TECH	Joʻquavious Marks - 12	Joʻquavious Marks - 71	Makai Polk - 10	Jamire Calvin - 67	Lideatrick Griffin - 173	Fred Peters - 9
NC STATE	Dillon Johnson - 6	Dillon Johnson - 18	Jo'quavious Marks - 16	Dillon Johnson - 70	Lideatrick Griffin - 122	Emmanuel Forbes - 11
at Memphis	Dillon Johnson - 7	Dillon Johnson - 49	Makai Polk - 11	Makai Polk - 136	Makai Polk - 136	J. Johnson/M. Emerson -8
LSU	Joʻquavious Marks - 13	Dillon Johnson - 51	J. Marks/D. Johnson - 9	Makai Polk - 78	Jo'quavious Marks - 113	Fred Peters - 9
at Texas A&M	Dillon Johnson - 6	Dillon Johnson -19	Makai Polk - 13	Makai Polk - 126	Makai Polk - 126	J. Johnson/N. Watson - 8
ALABAMA						
at Vanderiblt						
KENTUCKY						
at Arkansas						
at Auburn						
TENNESSEE STATE						
OLE MISS						

# **MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS**

Games with a Reception	'18	<b>'19</b>	'20	'21	Streak Care
Calvin, Jamire	12 ('17*)	12 ('18*)	4	5	10
Cumbest, Brad	1	1	2		
Ford, Christian				2	2
Griffin, Lideatrick			4	4	2
Heath, Malik			10	4	14
Jernighan, J.J.				1	1 /
Johnson, Dillon Johnson, Kwatrivous			9	5	
Jones, Kameron			1		
Marks, Jo'quavious			11	5	16
Polk, Makai		8	4	5	14
Rogers, Will				1	
Thomas, Rara				2	
Walley, Jaden			10	5	14
Williams, Austin	7	7	10	5	14
Daniel Daniel Daniel	110	110	100	101	0
Games with 5+ Receptions Calvin, Jamire	<b>18</b>	<b>'19</b> 6 ('18*)	<b>'20</b>	'21 	Career 8
Heath, Malik			4	2	6
Johnson, Dillon			3	4	7
Marks, Joʻquavious			6	5	11
Polk. Makai		1	1	4	6
Walley, Jaden			6	2	8
Williams, Austin			4	3	7
			100	4	_
Receptions of 20+ Yards Calvin, Jamire	<b>118</b> 3 ('17*)	<b>19</b>	<b>'20</b>	<b>'21</b>	Career 17
Cumbest, Brad	1				1
Griffin, Lideatrick				2	2
Heath, Malik			3	4	7
Johnson, Dillon				1	1
Polk, Makai		5	1	5	11
Thomas, Rara				2	2
Walley, Jaden			11	2	13
Williams, Austin	3	2	1	3	9
D	110	110	100	101	0
Receptions of 50+ Yards Calvin, Jamire	<b>118</b>	<b>19</b> 1 ('18*)	'20 	'21 	Career 1
Polk, Makai			1		1
Walley, Jaden			1		1
			100		
Receptions for a First Down	10 (17)	19	'20	<b>'21</b>	Career
Calvin, Jamire	12 (*17)	26 (*18)	7	7	52
Cumbest, Brad Ford, Christian	1			 5	<u>1</u> 5
Griffin, Lideatrick			1	7	8
Heath, Malik			12	8	20
Johnson, Dillon			6	8	14
Marks, Jo'quavious			13	6	19
Polk, Makai		11	7	22	40
Thomas, Rara				2	2
Walley, Jaden			31	10	41
Williams, Austin	5	5	16	14	40
			100		_
100-Yards Receiving Calvin, Jamire	<b>18</b> (17)	19 1 ('18)	<b>'20</b>	'21 	Career 2
Polk, Makai	( 17)	1		2	3
Walley, Jaden			4		4
<b>,,</b>					
Games with a Receiving TD	118	19	'20	'21	Career
Calvin, Jamire	3 (*17)	1 ('18)	1	1	6
Cumbest, Brad			<u>1</u> 1		<u> </u>
Griffin, Lideatrick Heath, Malik			2	2	4
Heath, Malik Marks, Jo'quavious				2	2
Polk, Makai		2	1	3	6
			2	4	6
Nalley lanen		2	3	1	8
Walley, Jaden Williams. Austin	7				•
Walley, Jaden Williams, Austin	2	L			
Williams, Austin  Games with Multiple Receiving TDs	'18	'19	'20	'21	Career
Nilliams, Austin				<b>'21</b> 	Career 1

Runs of 10+ Yards	<b>'18</b>	'19	'20	'21	Career
Johnson, Dillon			3	5	8
Marks, Joʻquavious			6	3	9
Rogers, Will			4	2	6
Runs of 20+ Yards	<b>'18</b>	'19	'20	'21	Career
Marks, Joʻquavious			2	1	3
Rushing First Downs	<b>'18</b>	<b>'19</b>	'20	'21	Career
Jernighan, J.J.				1	1
Johnson, Dillon			10	9	19
Marks, Joʻquavious			18	13	31
Rogers, Will			5	3	8
Games with a Rushing Touchdown	<b>'18</b>	<b>'19</b>	'20	'21	Career
Johnson, Dillon			3	1	4
Marks, Joʻquavious			3	1	4
Rogers, Will			1		1
Games with multiple Rushing Touchdowr	ns '18	<b>'19</b>	'20	'21	Career
Johnson, Dillon			1		1
Marks, Jo'quavious				1	1

Games with 300 yards passing	<b>'18</b>	<b>'19</b>	'20	'21	Career
Rogers, Will			2	4	6
Games with 30+ completions	'18	'19	'20	'21	Career
Rogers, Will			4	5	9
Completions of 20+ yards	<b>'18</b>	<b>'19</b>	'20	'21	Career
Rogers, Will			17	21	38
Games with Multiple Passing TDs	<b>'18</b>	<b>'19</b>	'20	'21	Career
Rogers, Will			2	5	7

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# **TURNOVERS GAINED**

MISSISS	SIPPI S	STATE (7)			
TYPE	QTR	PLAYER	PLAYS/ YDS	1st DOWNS	RESULT
LOUISIANA TEC	CH (2)				
Interception	1	Wheat of Kendall	7/40	3	TD
Fumble	1	Odom of Williams Jr.	3/33	2	TD
NC STATE (3)					
Interception	1	Green of Person	3/(-3)	0	Punt
Fumble	3	Green of Leary	7/54	2	TD
Interception	4	Peters of Leary	1/(-2)	0	End of Game
at Memphis (1)	)				
Interception	3	Forbes of Henigan	6/12	1	Downs
LSU (1)					
Interception	2	Forbes of Johnson	4/18	1	Downs
at Texas A&M (	[1]				
Interception	1	Peters of Calzada	6/19	1	FG

TYPE	QTR	PLAYER	PLAYS/ YDS	1st DOWNS	RESULT
LOUISIANA TE	CH (4)				
Fumble	2	Buchanan by Johnson	6/19	1	Punt
Fumble	2	Bell by Rogers	3/(-6)		Punt
Fumble	3	Mason by Williams	7/38	2	FG
Interception	3	Baldwin of Rogers			TD
NC STATE (0)					
None	)				
	<b>)</b>	Blake by Marks			TD
None at Memphis (1	<b>)</b>	Blake by Marks			TD
None at Memphis (1 Fumble	1	Blake by Marks  Clark by Heath			TD

# **TURNOVERS BY PLAYER**

FUMBLES													Ť
(#-Lost)	LATC	NCST	at MEM	LSU	at TA&M	ALA	VAN	UK	at ARK	at AUB	TNST	OM	
Johnson, Dillon	1-1	0-0	0-0										
Rogers, Will	2-2	0-0	0-0										
Marks, Jo'quavious	0-0	0-0	1-1										
Heath, Malik	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1									

FORCED FUME	FORCED FUMBLES												
	LATC	NCST	at MEM	LSU	at TA&M	ALA	VAN	UK	at ARK	at AUB	TNST	OM	
Forbes, Emmanuel					1								
Johnson, Jett		1											
Odom, Aaron		1											
Wheat, Tyrus					1								

<b>FUMBLES RECO</b>	VERED												
	LATC	NCST	at MEM	LSU	at TA&M	ALA	VAN	UK	at ARK	at AUB	TNST	0M	
Green, Jalen		1											
Odom, Aaron	1												

INTERCEPTIO	INTERCEPTIONS												
(#-Yards)	LATC	NCST	at MEM	LSU	at TA&M	ALA	VAN	UK	at ARK	at AUB	TNST	OM	
Forbes, Emmanuel			1-21	1-(-10)									
Green, Jalen		1-0											
Peters, Fred		1-0			1-12								
Wheat, Tyrus	1-0												

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## **LONG PLAY BREAKDOWN**

## **BY YARDAGE**

## OFFENSE (21)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Opponent
41	Pass	Polk, Makai from Rogers, will	at Memphis
40	Pass	Calvin, Jamire from Rogers, Will	LOUISIANA TECH
*36	Pass	Polk, Makai from Rogers, Will	at Memphis
34	Pass	Williams, Austin from Rogers, Will	NC STATE
30	Pass	Williams, Austin from Rogers, Will	LOUISIANA TECH
*29	Pass	Polk, Makai from Rogers, Will	LSU
29	Pass	Heath, Malik from Rogers, Will	at Memphis
26	Pass	Johnson, Dillon from Rogers, Will	NC STATE
25	Pass	Walley, Jaden from Rogers, Will	at Texas A&M
25	Pass	Thomas, Rara from Rogers, Will	LOUISIANA TECH
24	Pass	Walley, Jaden from Rogers, Will	at Memphis
23	Pass	Griffin, Lideatrick from Rogers, Will	at Texas A&M
23	Pass	Calvin, Jamire from Rogers, Will	at Texas A&M
23	Rush	Marks, Jo'quavious	LOUISIANA TECH
22	Pass	Heath, Malik from Rogers, Will	at Texas A&M
22	Pass	Williams, Austin from Rogers, Will	LSU
22	Pass	Heath, Malik from Rogers, Will	LSU
*21	Pass	Heath, Malik from Rogers, Will	NC STATE
21	Pass	Thomas, Rara from Rogers, Will	LOUISIANA TECH
*20	Pass	Polk, Makai from Rogers, Will	at Texas A&M
*20	Pass	Calvin, Jamire from Rogers, Will	LOUISIANA TECH

## SPECIAL TEAMS (4)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Opponent
*100	KR	Griffin, Lideatrcik	NC STATE
70	KR	Griffin, Lideatrick	LOUISIANA TECH
38	KR	Griffin, Lideatrick	LOUISIANA TECH
20	KR	Griffin, Lideatrick	LOUISIANA TECH

<sup>\* -</sup> touchdown scored on play

## DEFENSE (1)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Opponent
21	INT	Forbes, Emmanuel	at Memphis

# **LONG PLAY BREAKDOWN**

LONG PLAYS BY THE NUMBERS						
BY YARDAGE			ВҮТҮРЕ			
Yards	No.	TD	Туре	No.	TD	
100+	1	1	Rushing	1		
90-99			Passing	20	5	
80-89			Punt returns			
70-79	1		Kick returns	4	1	
60-69			Interceptions	1		
50-59			Fumble returns			
40-49	2		Other			
30-39	4	1	TOTAL	26	6	
20-29	18	4				

Player	No.	TD	Rush	Rec.	KR	PR	IR	FR
Griffin, Lideatrick	5	1		1	4			
Polk, Makai	4	3		4				
Heath, Malik	4	1		4				
Calvin, Jamire	3	1		3				
Williams, Austin	3			3				
Waley, Jaden	2			2				
Thomas, Rara	2			2				
Forbes, Emmanuel	1						1	
Johnson, Dillon	1			1				
Marks, Jo'quavious	1		1					
TOTAL	26	6	1	20	4		1	

LONGEST	PLAYS OF THE YEAR	
Rushing 23	Marks, Jo'quavious	LOUISIANA TECH (9/4)
Rushing Touchdov 5*	<b>vn</b> Marks, Joʻquavious	LOUISIANA TECH (9/4)
<b>Passing</b> 41	Polk, Makai from Rogers, Will	at Memphis (9/18)
Passing Touchdow 36*	<b>rn</b> Polk, Makai from Rogers, Will	at Memphis (9/18)
<b>Punt Return</b> 15	Walley, Jaden	NC STATE (9/11)
Kick Return 100*	Griffin, Lideatrick	NC STATE (9/11)
Interception Return 21	r <b>n</b> Forbes, Emmanuel	at Memphis (9/18)
<b>Fumble Return</b> 0 0	Green, Jalen Odom, Aaron	NC STATE (9/11) LOUISIANA TECH (9/4)
<b>Punt</b> 57	Trafford, Archer	at Memphis (9/18)
Field Goal		

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McCord, Nolan

Play	#	Long	Play	Opponent
Passing	20	41	Polk, Makai from Rogers, Will	at Memphis (9/18)
Rushing	1	23	Marks, Jo'quavious	LOUISIANA TECH (9/4)
Kick Return	4	100*	Griffin, Lideatrick	NC STATE (9/11)
Punt Return	0			
Interception	1	21	Forbes, Emmanuel	at Memphis (9/18)
Орр.	#	Long	Play	Туре
LOUISIANA TECH	9	70	Griffin, Lideatrick	Kick Return
NC STATE	6	100*	Griffin, Lideatrick	Kick Return
at Memphis	5	41	Polk, Makai from Rogers, Will	Pass
LSU	3	29	Polk, Makai from Rogers, Will	Pass
at Texas A&M ALABAMA at Vanderiblt KENTUCKY at Arkansas at Auburn TENNESSEE STATI OLE MISS	5 E	25	Walley, Jaden from Rogers, Will	Pass

Play	#	Long	Play	Opponent
Passing	19	73*	Means, Bub from Kendall, Austin	LOUISIANA TECH (9/4)
Rushing	4	59*	Kendall, Austin	LOUISIANA TECH (9/4)
Kick Return	0			
Punt Return	2	94*	Doyle, Joe	at Memphis (9/18)
Fumble Return	1	35	Clark, Damone	LSU (9/25)
Interception	1	35*	Baldwin, Trey	LOUISIANA TECH (9/4)
Орр.	#	Long	Play	Туре
LOUISIANA TECH	6	73*	Means, Bub from Kendall, Austin	Pass
NC STATE	5	38	Emezie, Emeka from Leary, Devin	Pass
at Memphis	4	94*	Doyle, Joe	Punt Return
LSU	6	64*	Boutte, Kayshon from Johnson, Max	Pass
at Texas A&M ALABAMA at Vanderiblt KENTUCKY at Arkansas at Auburn TENNESSEE STAT OLE MISS	5 E	44	Spiller, Isaiah	Rush

<sup>\* -</sup> touchdown scored on play

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at Memphis (9/18)

# **SEASON SUPERLATIVES**

MISSISSIPPI STA	TE IND	IVIDUAL
Rushes	13	Marks, Joʻquavious; LSU (9/25)
Yards Rushing	71	Marks, Jo'quavious; Louisiana Tech (9/4)
TD Rushes	2	Marks, Jo'quavious; Louisiana Tech (9/4)
Long Rush	23	Marks, Jo'quavious; Louisiana Tech (9/4)
Pass Attempts	67	Rogers, Will; at Memphis (9/18)
Pass Completions	50	Rogers, Will; at Memphis (9/18)
Yards Passing	419	Rogers, Will; at Memphis (9/18)
TD Passes	3	Four times: Last Rogers, Will; at Texas A&M (10/2)
Long Pass	41	Rogers, Will; at Memphis (9/18)
Receptions	13	Polk, Makai; at Texas A&M (10/2)
Yards Receiving	136	Polk, Makai; at Memphis (9/18)
TD Receptions	2	Polk, Makai; at Texas A&M (10/2)
Long Reception	41	Polk, Makai; at Memphis (9/18)
Field Goals	1	Four times: Last McCord, Nolan; at Texas A&M (10/2)
Long Field Goal	39	Mccord, Nolan; at Memphis (9/18)
Punts	7	Day, Tucker; NC State (9/11)
Punting Avg	43.7	Trafford, Archer; LSU (9/25)
Long Punt	57	Trafford, Archer; at Memphis (9/18)
Punts Inside 20	2	Trafford, Archer; at Texas A&M (10/2)
Long Punt Return	15	Walley, Jaden; NC State (9/11)
Long Kickoff Return	100	Griffin, Lideatrick; NC State (9/11)
Tackles	11	Forbes, Emmanuel; NC State (9/11)
Sacks	1.0	11 times: Last Three players; at Texas A&M (10/2)
Tackles For Loss	2.0	Brule, Aaron; Louisiana Tech (9/4)
Interceptions	1	Six times: Last Peters, Fred; at Texas A&M (10/2)

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OPPONENT INI	DIVIDUAL	
Rushes	16	Twice: Last Spiller, Isaiah; at Texas A&M (10/2)
Yards Rushing	100	Spiller, Isaiah; at Texas A&M (10/2)
TD Rushes	1	Twice: Last Calzada, Zach; at Texas A&M (10/2)
Long Rush	59	Kendall, Austin; Louisiana Tech (9/4)
Pass Attempts	49	Leary, Devin; NC State (9/11)
Pass Completions	30	Leary, Devin; NC State (9/11)
Yards Passing	303	Leary, Devin; NC State (9/11)
TD Passes	4	Johnson, Max; LSU (9/25)
Long Pass	72	Kendall, Austin; Louisiana Tech (9/4)
Receptions	9	Calvin III, Austin; at Memphis (9/18)
Yards Receiving	105	Calvin III, Austin; at Memphis (9/18)
TD Receptions	2	Twice: Last Boutte, Kayshon; LSU (9/25)
Long Reception	72	Means, Bub; Louisiana Tech (9/4)
Field Goals	3	Small, Seth; at Texas A&M (10/2)
Long Field Goal	51	Doyle, Joe; at Memphis (9/18)
Punts	7	Twice: Last Gill, Trenton; NC State (9/11)
Punting Avg	53.0	Constantinou, Nic; at Texas A&M (10/2)
Long Punt	65	Doyle, Joe; at Memphis (9/18)
Punts Inside 20	3	Doyle, Joe; at Memphis (9/18)
Long Punt Return	94	Calvin III, Austin; at Memphis (9/18)
Long Kickoff Return	31	Achane, Devon; at Texas A&M (10/2)
Tackles	15	Twice: Last Johnson, Antonio; at Texas A&M (10/2)
Sacks	2.0	Leal, Demarvin; at Texas A&M (10/2)
Tackles For Loss	2.0	Leal, Demarvin; at Texas A&M (10/2)
Interceptions	1	Twice: Last Flott, Cordale; LSU (9/25)

MISSISSIPPI S	STATE TEAM	
	Highs	Lows
Yards Rushing	115, LSU (9/25)	22, NC State (9/11)
Yards Per Rush	4.4, LSU (9/25)	1.5, NC State (9/11)
TD Rushes	2, Louisiana Tech (9/4)	O, Twice: Last at Texas A&M (10/2)
Pass Attempts	67, at Memphis (9/18)	47, Louisiana Tech (9/4)
Pass Completions	50, at Memphis (9/18)	33, NC State (9/11)
Yards Passing	419, at Memphis (9/18)	294, NC State (9/11)
Yards Per Pass Attempt	7.9, Louisiana Tech (9/4)	6.0, NC State (9/11)
TD Passes	3, Four times: Last at Texas A&M (10/2)	2, NC State (9/11)
Total Plays	88, LSU (9/25)	64, NC State (9/11)
Total Offense	486, LSU (9/25)	316, NC State (9/11)
Yards Per Play	6.6, Louisiana Tech (9/4)	4.9, NC State (9/11)
Points	35, Louisiana Tech (9/4)	24, NC State (9/11)
Sacks By	4.0, NC State (9/11)	1.0, Twice: Last at Memphis (9/18)
First Downs	29, Twice: Last at Texas A&M (10/2)	15, NC State (9/11)
Penalties	12, Louisiana Tech (9/4)	7, at Texas A&M (10/2)
Penalty Yards	96, Louisiana Tech (9/4)	60, NC State (9/11)
Turnovers	4, Louisiana Tech (9/4)	O, Twice: Last at Texas A&M (10/2)
Interceptions By	2, NC State (9/11)	1, Four times: Last at Texas A&M (10/2)
Punts	7, NC State (9/11)	3, at Texas A&M (10/2)
Punting Avg	43.7, LSU (9/25)	29.0, NC State (9/11)
Long Punt	57, at Memphis (9/18)	46; Louisiana Tech (9/4)
Punts Inside 20	2, at Texas A&M (10/2)	O, Louisiana Tech (9/4)
Long Punt Return	15, NC State (9/11)	O, Louisiana Tech (9/4)

OPPONENT TE	AM	
	Highs	Lows
Yards Rushing	161, at Texas A&M (10/2)	34, NC State (9/11)
Yards Per Rush	5.0, at Texas A&M (10/2)	1.4, NC State (9/11)
TD Rushes	1, Twice: Last at Texas A&M (10/2)	0, Twice: Last at Memphis (9/18)
Pass Attempts	51, NC State (9/11)	20, at Texas A&M (10/2)
Pass Completions	30, NC State (9/11)	12, at Texas A&M (10/2)
Yards Passing	303, NC State (9/11)	135, at Texas A&M (10/2)
Yards Per Pass Attempt	10.4, LSU (9/25)	5.8, at Memphis (9/18)
TD Passes	4, LSU (9/25)	1, Twice: Last at Texas A&M (10/2)
Total Plays	76, NC State (9/11)	52, at Texas A&M (10/2)
Total Offense	369, Louisiana Tech (9/4)	246, at Memphis (9/18)
Yards Per Play	6.4, LSU (9/25)	4.4, NC State (9/11)
Points	34, Louisiana Tech (9/4)	10, NC State (9/11)
Sacks By	3.0, Twice: Last at Texas A&M (10/2)	1.0, NC State (9/11)
First Downs	16, NC State (9/11)	12, at Memphis (9/18)
Penalties	8, at Texas A&M (10/2)	6, Twice: Last at Memphis (9/18)
Penalty Yards	59, Twice: Last at Texas A&M (10/2)	36, Louisiana Tech (9/4)
Turnovers	3, NC State (9/11)	1, at Texas A&M (10/2)
Interceptions By	1, Twice: Last LSU (9/25)	O, Three times: Last at Texas A&M (10/2)
Punts	7, Twice: Last NC State (9/11)	3, at Texas A&M (10/2)
Punting Avg	53.0, at Texas A&M (10/2)	38.6, Louisiana Tech (9/4)
Long Punt	65, at Memphis (9/18)	51, Louisiana Tech (9/4)
Punts Inside 20	3, at Memphis (9/18)	1, NC State (9/11)
Long Punt Return	94, at Memphis (9/18)	0, NC State (9/11)

# **STARTERS**

# **OFFENSE**

OPPONENT	LT	LG	С	RG	RT	QB	RB	WR	WR	WR	WR
LOUISIANA TECH	Cross	K. Jones	Sharp	K. Johnson	Lashley	Rogers	Marks	Thomas	Calvin	Williams	Polk
NC STATE	Cross	K. Jones	Sharp	K. Johnson	Lashley	Rogers	Marks	D. Johnson	Griffin	Williams	Polk
at Memphis	Cross	K. Jones	Sharp	K. Johnson	Lashley	Rogers	Marks	Heath	Walley	Williams	Polk
LSU	Cross	K. Jones	Sharp	K. Johnson	Lashley	Rogers	Marks	Heath	Walley	Williams	Polk
at Texas A&M	Cross	K. Jones	Sharp	K. Johnson	Lashley	Rogers	Marks	Griffin	Walley	Williams	Polk
ALABAMA											
at Vanderiblt											
KENTUCKY											
at Arkansas											
at Auburn											

<sup>\*</sup> started two running backs against NC State.

## **DEFENSE**

TENNESSEE STATE OLE MISS

OPPONENT	DE	NG	DT	SLB	MLB	WLB	СВ	FS	Bulldog	SS	СВ
LOUISIANA TECH	Charlton	Young	Crumedy	Wheat	Watson	Brule	Emerson	Duncan	Peters	Green	Forbes
NC STATE	Charlton	Young	Crumedy	Wheat	Watson	Brule	Emerson	Duncan	Peters	Green	Forbes
at Memphis	Charlton	Young	Crumedy	Wheat	J. Johnson	Brule	Emerson	Duncan	Peters	Green	Forbes
LSU	Charlton	Young	Crumedy	Wheat	Watson	Brule	Emerson	Duncan	Peters	Green	Forbes
at Texas A&M	Charlton	Young	Crumedy	Wheat	Watson	Brule	Emerson	Duncan	Peters	Green	Forbes
ALABAMA											
at Vanderiblt											
KENTUCKY											
at Arkansas											
at Auburn											
TENNESSEE STATE											
OLE MISS											

## **CAREER STARTS**

Player	Total	LT	LG	С	RG	RT	QB	RB	WR	DE	DT	NG	LB	СВ	S	Bulldog
Crumedy, Jaden	23										12	11				
Emerson, Martin	21													21		
Williams, Austin	19								19							
Charlton, Randy	16*									5						
Brule, Aaron	16												16			
Cross, Charles	15	15														
Forbes, Emmanuel	14													14		
Sharp, LaQuinston	14		4	5	5											
Green, Jalen	13*														5	
Wheat, Tyrus	13												13			
Marks, Jo'quavious	13							13								
Duncan, Collin	12														12	
Morgan, C.J.	12													12		
Polk, Makai	12*								5							
Jones, Kameron	11		5			6										
Rogers, Will	11						11									
Walley, Jaden	11								11							
Peters, Fred	9														4	5
Smith, Cole	9			9												
Craft, Londyn	8														8	
Heath, Malik	8								8							
Johnson, Kwatrivous	8				5	3										
Preston Jr., Shawn	7												1		2	4
Watson, Nathaniel	7												7			
Calvin, Jamire	5*								1							
Young, Cameron	5											5				
Lashley, Scott	5					5										
Griffin, Lideatrick	4								4							
Furdge, Esaias	2													2		
Johnson, Dillon	2							2								
Odom, Aaron	2										2					
Five Tied	1	Cumbest, i	Brad. WR: Gu	idrv. Landon.	S; Johnson, .	Jett. LB: Jim	ison. Jav. S:	Thomas. Rara	. WR.							

 $<sup>\</sup>mbox{*}$  - Total includes starts at previous school | By position starts MSU only

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# **PARTICIPATION CHART**

	GP/GS	LATC	NCST	at MEM	LSU	at TA&M	ALA	VAN	UK	at ARK	at AUB	TNST	ОМ
Banks, Jevon	2/0		Р	Р									_
Brule, Aaron	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							_
Calvin, Jamire	5/1	ST	Р	Р	Р	Р							_
Charlton, Randy	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							_
Cooper, Ty	1/0					Р							_
Cox, Colby	5/0	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р							_
Craft, Londyn	2/0				Р	Р							_
Cross, Charles	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							_
Crumedy, Jaden	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							_
Day, Tucker	5/0	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р							_
Dean, Janari	2/0				Р	Р							_
Ducking, Caleb	3/0	Р	Р	Р									_
Duncan, Collin	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							_
Emerson, Martin	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							_
Forbes, Emmanuel	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							_
Ford, Christian	3/0		Р		Р	Р							_
Furdge, Esaias	2/0	Р			Р								_
Goodman, Scott	4/0		Р	Р	Р	Р							_
Green, Jalen	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							_
Griffin, Eldric	1/0					Р							_
Griffin, Lideatrick	5/2	Р	ST	Р	Р	ST							_
Groce, Jr., Rodney	4/0	Р	Р	Р	Р								_
Hammond, Hayes	5/0	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р							_
Hargrove, Ke'Travion	3/0	Р	Р	Р									
Harris, Jack	4/0		Р	Р	Р	Р							
Harvey, Rufus	1/0	Р											_
Heath, Malik	4/2		Р	ST	ST	Р							_
Jackson, Grant	5/0	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р							_
Jernighan, J.J.	5/0	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р							_
Jimison, Jay	3/0	Р	Р	Р									_
Johnson, Dillon	5/1	Р	ST	Р	Р	Р							_
Johnson, Jett	5/1	Р	Р	ST	Р	Р							_
Johnson, Kwatrivous	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							_
Jones, Kameron	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							_
Jones, Nick	2/0		Р		Р								_
King Ani, Izuchukwu	1/0	Р											

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	GP/GS	LATC	NCST	at MEM	LSU	at TA&M	ALA	VAN	UK	at ARK	at AUB	TNST	OM
Lashley, Scott	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							
Lawrence, Dylan	5/0	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р							
Marks, Jo'quavious	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							
McCord, Nolan	4/0		Р	Р	Р	Р							
Odom, Aaron	5/0	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р							
Page, DeShawn	5/0	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р							
Peters, Fred	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							
Pickering, Nathan	5/0	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р							
Polk, Makai	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							
Preston Jr., Shawn	4/0	Р		Р	Р	Р							
Price, Simeon	4/0	Р		Р	Р	Р							
Purvis, J.P.	1/0	Р											
Richardson, Decamerio	n 5/0	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р							
Rogers, Will	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							
Ruiz, Brandon	2/0	Р	Р										
Russell, DeMonte	3/0			Р	Р	Р							
Sharp, LaQuinston	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							
Smith, Cole	5/0	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р							
Thomas, Rara	4/1	ST	Р	Р	Р								
Timbs, Sherman	5/0	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р							
Trafford, Archer	3/0			Р	Р	Р							
Walley, Jaden	5/3	Р	Р	ST	ST	ST							
Watson, Nathaniel	4/4	ST	ST		ST	ST							
Wheat, Tyrus	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							
Williams, Austin	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							
Wilson, Trip	1/0			Р									
Young, Cameron	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST							

# **CAREER PARTICIPATION**

Games/Starts	'17	'18	'19	'20	'21	Career
Banks, Jevon				4/0	2/0	6/0
Brule, Aaron		4/0	13/0	11/11	5/5	33/16
Calvin, Jamire	13/0*	13/0*		4/4*	5/1	35/5*
Charlton, Randy		13/1*	10/5*	10/5*	5/5	38/16*
Cooper, Ty					1/0	1/0
Cox, Colby					5/0	5/0
Craft, Londyn		2/0	6/0	10/8	2/0	20/8
Cross, Charles			3/0	10/10	5/5	18/15
Crumedy, Jaden		2/0	12/7	11/11	5/5	30/23
Cumbest, Brad		3/0	11/0	7/1		21/1
Davis, Jordan				9/0		9/0
Day, Tucker	2/0	13/0	13/0	9/0	5/0	42/0
Dean, Janari					2/0	2/0
Ducking, Caleb					3/0	3/0
Duncan, Collin			11/0	10/7	5/5	26/12
Emerson, Martin			13/5	11/11	5/5	29/21
Forbes, Emmanuel				11/9	5/5	16/14
Ford, Christian					3/0	3/0
Furdge, Esaias		2/0		10/2	2/0	14/2
Goodman, Scott		13/0	12/0	1/0	4/0	30/0
Green, Jalen		11/0*	10/7*	9/1*	5/5	35/13*
Griffin, Lideatrick				9/2	5/2	14/4
Groce Jr., Rodney				1/0	4/0	5/0
Guidry, Landon		8/0	12/0	6/1		26/1
Hammond, Hayes					5/0	5/0
Hargrove, Ke'Travion					3/0	3/0
Harris, Jack			1/0	9/0	4/0	14/0
Harvey, Rufus					1/0	1/0

Games/Starts	'17	'18	'19	'20	'21	Career
Heath, Malik				10/6	4/2	14/8
Jackson, Grant				3/0	5/0	8/0
Jernighan, J.J.					5/0	5/0
Jimison, Jay				5/1	3/0	8/1
Johnson, Dillon				11/1	5/1	16/2
Johnson, Jett		2/0		5/0	5/1	12/1
Johnson, Kwatrivous		2/0	2/0	8/3	5/5	17/8
Jones, Kameron				6/6	5/5	11/11
Jones, Nick					2/0	2/0
King Ani, Izuchukwu					1/0	1/0
King, Brodie				4/0		4/0
Lashley, Scott	3/0*	8/0*	8/0*		5/5	24/5*
Lawrence, Dylan			1/0	1/0	5/0	7/0
Marks, Jo'quavious				11/8	5/5	16/13
McCord, Nolan					4/0	4/0
Morgan, C.J.	10/0	13/3	9/9			32/12
Odom, Aaron		2/0	3/0	11/2	5/0	21/2
Page, DeShawn					5/0	5/0
Peters, Fred			13/0	4/4	5/5	22/9
Pickering, Nathan			9/1	5/0	5/0	19/1
Polk, Makai			13/5*	4/2*	5/5	22/12*
Preston Jr., Shawn		1/0	7/1	10/6	4/0	22/7
Price, Simeon					4/0	4/0
Purvis, J.P.			4/0	5/0	1/0	10/0
Reed, Jaylon		3/0				3/0
Richardson, Decamerion				7/0	5/0	12/0
Rogers, Will				9/6	5/5	14/11
Ruiz, Brandon	13/0*	13/0*		10/0	2/0	38/0*

Games/Starts	`17	18	19	'20	`21	Career
Russell, De'Monte			3/0		3/0	6/0
Sharp, LaQuinston			9/5	9/4	5/5	23/14
Smith, Cole				10/9	5/0	15/9
Swanson, Cody				1/0		1/0
Thomas, Rara					4/1	4/1
Timbs, Sherman		1/0	12/0	10/0	5/0	28/0
Trafford, Archer					3/0	3/0
Walley, Jaden				11/8	5/3	16/11
Watson, Nathaniel		2/0	7/0	11/3	4/4	24/7
Wheat, Tyrus				9/8	5/5	14/13
Williams, Austin		13/5	13/0	11/9	5/5	42/19
Wilson, Trip					1/0	1/0
Young, Cameron		1/0	8/0	8/0	5/5	22/5

<sup>\* -</sup> Includes prior school

## **2021 RESULTS & STATISTICS**



## 2021-22 Mississippi St. Football Combined Team Statistics All games

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### **Team Results**

	Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
	09/04/2021	Louisiana Tech	W	35-34	44669
	09/11/2021	NC State	W	24-10	45834
	09/18/2021	at Memphis	L	29-31	43461
*	09/25/2021	LSU	L	25-28	50298
*	10/02/2021	at Texas A&M	W	26-22	102272

# Game Records

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES	3-2	2-1	1-1	0-0
CONFERENCE	1-1	0-1	1-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	2-1	2-0	0-1	0-0

## **Rushing**

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Dillon Johnson	5	29	150	1	149	5.1	1	14	29.8
Jo'quavious Marks	5	40	155	10	145	3.6	2	23	29.0
J.J. Jernighan	5	2	5	0	5	2.5	0	4	1.0
Will Rogers	5	19	45	51	-6	-0.3	0	10	-1.2
Team	5	3	0	12	-12	-4.0	0	0	-2.4
Total	5	93	355	74	281	3.0	3	23	56.2
Opponents	5	134	605	160	445	3.3	2	59	89.0

### **Team Statistics**

	MSU	OPP
First Downs	120	72
Rushing	26	23
Passing	89	43
Penalty	5	6
Rushing Yardage	281	445
Rushing attempts	93	134
Average per rush	3.0	3.3
Average per game	56.2	89.0
TDs Rushing	3	2
Passing Yardage	1862	1145
Comp-Att-Int	215-284-2	96-163-6
Average per pass	6.6	7.0
Average per catch	8.7	11.9
Average per game	372.4	229.0
TDs Passing	14	10
Total offense	2143	1590
Average per play	5.7	5.4
Average per game	428.6	318.0
Kick returns: #-Yards	6-254	2-49
Punt returns: #-Yards	10-58	8-176
Int returns: #-Yards	6-23	2-35
Fumbles-Lost	6-5	7-2
Penalties-Yards	43-321	32-241
Punts-Avg	23-40.2	27-43.0
Time of possession / game	34:22	25:05
3rd-down conversion	29/66	21/71
4rd-down conversion	1/3	4/8

## **Passing**

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Will Rogers	5	145.6	215-284-2	75.7	1862	14	41	372.4
Total	5	145.6	215-284-2	75.7	1862	14	41	372.4
Opponents	5	130.8	96-163-6	58.9	1145	10	72	229.0

# Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Makai Polk	5	46	430	9.3	4	41	86.0
Jo'quavious Marks	5	38	201	5.3	2	16	40.2
Dillon Johnson	5	31	201	6.5	0	26	40.2
Austin Williams	5	24	249	10.4	1	34	49.8
Malik Heath	4	19	190	10.0	2	29	47.5
Jaden Walley	5	19	202	10.6	4	25	40.4
Jamire Calvin	5	13	145	11.2	1	40	29.0
Lideatrick Griffin	5	11	121	11.0	0	23	24.2
Christian Ford	3	6	54	9.0	0	16	18.0
Rara Thomas	4	4	58	14.5	0	25	14.5
J.J. Jernighan	5	3	15	5.0	0	9	3.0
Will Rogers	5	1	-4	-4.0	0	0	-0.8
Total	5	215	1862	8.7	14	41	372.4
Opponents	5	96	1145	11.9	10	72	229.0

## Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg							
Fred Peters	2	12	6.0	0	12							
Emmanuel Forbes	2	11	5.5	0	21							
Jalen Green	1	0	0.0	0	0							
Tyrus Wheat	1	0	0.0	0	0							
Total	6	23	3.8	0	21							
Opponents	2	35	17.5	1	35							

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Field Goals									
Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Nolan Mccord	4-7	57.1	0-0	2-2	2-3	0-2	0-0	39	0
Brandon Ruiz	0-1	0.0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0
Opponents	7-9	77.8	0-0	1-1	2-2	3-5	1-1	51	1

_	Punting									
k	Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
)	Tucker Day	12	461	38.4	56	1	4	1	1	0
)	Archer Trafford	11	464	42.2	57	1	3	5	2	0
	Total	23	925	40.2	57	2	7	6	3	0
_	Opponents	27	1162	43.0	65	2	6	10	8	0

#### Scoring

				PAT	•				
Player	td	fg	kick	rush	rcv	pass	dxp	saf	pts
Makai Polk	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
Jo'quavious Marks	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
Jaden Walley	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
Nolan Mccord	-	4-7	8-8	-	-	-	-	-	20
Malik Heath	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	14
Brandon Ruiz	-	0-1	7-7	-	-	-	-	-	7
Jamire Calvin	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Austin Williams	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Dillon Johnson	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Lideatrick Griffin	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	18	4-8	15-15	0	1	1	0	1	139
Opponents	15	7-9	14-14	0	0	0	0	0	125

Punt Returns											
Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg						
Jaden Walley	8	40	5.0	0	15						
Austin Williams	2	18	9.0	0	13						
Total	10	58	5.8	0	15						
Opponents	8	176	22.0	0	94						

# Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	ОТ	тот
Mississippi St.	34	31	21	53	0	139
Opponents	28	23	37	37	0	125

#### **Kick Returns**

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Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Lideatrick Griffin	5	244	48.8	1	100
Dillon Johnson	1	10	10.0	0	10
Total	6	254	42.3	1	100
Opponents	2	49	24.5	0	31

### **All Purpose**

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Makai Polk	5	0	430	0	0	0	430	86.0
Lideatrick Griffin	5	0	121	0	244	0	365	73.0
Dillon Johnson	5	149	201	0	10	0	360	72.0
Jo'quavious Marks	5	145	201	0	0	0	346	69.2
Austin Williams	5	0	249	18	0	0	267	53.4
Jaden Walley	5	0	202	40	0	0	242	48.4
Malik Heath	4	0	190	0	0	0	190	47.5
Jamire Calvin	5	0	145	0	0	0	145	29.0
Rara Thomas	4	0	58	0	0	0	58	14.5
Christian Ford	3	0	54	0	0	0	54	18.0
J.J. Jernighan	5	5	15	0	0	0	20	4.0
Fred Peters	5	0	0	0	0	12	12	2.4
Emmanuel Forbes	5	0	0	0	0	11	11	2.2
Will Rogers	5	-6	-4	0	0	0	-10	-2.0
Total	5	281	1862	58	254	23	2478	495.6
Opponents	5	445	1145	176	49	35	1850	370.0

#### **Total Offense**

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Will Rogers	5	303	-6	1862	1856	371.2
Dillon Johnson	5	29	149	0	149	29.8
Jo'quavious Marks	5	40	145	0	145	29.0
J.J. Jernighan	5	2	5	0	5	1.0
Total	5	377	281	1862	2143	428.6
Opponents	5	297	445	1145	1590	318.0

#### **Team Defense**

				Tackles S		Sacks	Pass defense			Fumble	blkd			
##	Player	gp	ua	а	tot	tfl/yds	no-yds	int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick	saf
44	Jett Johnson	5	16	21	37	3-5			2			1		
38	Fred Peters	5	9	21	30			2-12						
13	Emmanuel Forbes	5	20	7	27	3.5-20	1-15	2-11	2			1		
1	Martin Emerson	5	19	8	27	1.5-2			2					



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			Tackles			Sacks	Pass	se	Fumbles		blkd		
##	Player	gp	ua	а	tot	tfl/yds	no-yds	int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick saf
14	Nathaniel Watson	4	8	18	26	2-13	1-10			2			
93	Cameron Young	5	7	14	21	1.5-4			1	2			
0	Jalen Green	5	9	10	19	1.5-5		1-0	3		1-0		
19	Collin Duncan	5	5	12	17	0.5-1			3				
3	Aaron Brule	5	7	10	17	2.5-12	1-9			2			
5	Randy Charlton	5	7	10	17	2.5-15	2-13			4			
2	Tyrus Wheat	5	4	10	14	3-14	2-12	1-0	1	2		1	
94	Jaden Crumedy	5	3	6	9	2-9	1-8		1	2			
22	Nathan Pickering	5	2	4	6	1-10	1-10						
17	Aaron Odom	5	3	3	6	2.5-6	2-6				1-0	1	
34	Sherman Timbs	5	1	5	6	0.5-2							
15	Jack Harris	4		4	4	0.5-1							
12	Shawn Preston Jr.	4	1	2	3								
30	Decamerion Richardson	5	2		2								
11	Jaden Walley	5		1	1								
10	Makai Polk	5	1		1								
9	De'Monte Russell	3	1		1								
37	Tucker Day	5	1		1								
52	Grant Jackson	5	1		1								
	Totals	5	127	166	293	28-119	11-83	6-23	15	14	2-0	4	0 1
	Opponents	5	200	194	394	17-69	10-53	2-35	18	8	7-84	5	0 0

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# ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

# **NUMERICAL ROSTER**

No.	Name	Pos.	No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown (Previous School)
16	Jack Abraham	QB	0	Jalen Green	S	6-1 6-2	200	Sr.	TR	Houston, Texas (Texas)
91	Deonte Anderson	DE	1	Martin Emerson	CB		200	Jr.	2L	Pensacola, Fla. (Pine Forest HS)
88	Carson Banks	WR	2	Will Rogers Tyrus Wheat	QB	6-2 6-2	210 265	So. Sr.	1L 1L	Brandon, Miss. (Brandon HS) Amite, La. (Copiah-Lincoln [Miss.] C.C.)
92	Jevon Banks	DE	3	,	LB LB	6-1	230	51. R-Jr.	2L	
72	Canon Boone	OL		Aaron Brule	QB	6-4	225	K-JI. Fr.	HS	New Orleans, La. (Archbishop Rummel HS)
87	Bo Brooks	WR	3 4	Daniel Greek Malik Heath	WR	6-3	220	Sr.	пъ 1L	Argyle, Texas (Liberty Christian School)  Jackson, Miss. (Copiah-Lincoln [Miss.] C.C.)
3	Aaron Brule	LB	4	Izuchukwu King Ani	DE	0-3 6-4	265	R-So.	SQ	Hendersonville, Tenn. (Davidson Academy)
51	Reed Buys	OL	5	Randy Charlton	DE	6-3	265	R-Jr.	TR	Goulds, Fla. (UCF)
6	Jamire Calvin	WR	5	Lideatrick Griffin	WR	5-10	180	So.	1L	Philadelphia, Miss. (Philadelphia HS)
20	Kyle Cass	S	6	Jamire Calvin	WR	5-10	160	Gr.	GTR	Pasadena, Calif. (Washington State)
68	Gabe Cavazos Jr.	OL	6	Jordan Davis	DE	6-4	265	Sr.	1L	Memphis, Tenn. (Copiah-Lincoln [Miss.] C.C.)
5	Randy Charlton	DE	7	Jo'quavious Marks	RB	5-10	205	So.	1L	Atlanta, Ga. (Carver HS)
90	Armondous Cooley	DT	8	Brandon Ruiz	K	5-10	180	R-Sr.	1L	Tempe, Ariz. (Arizona State)
45	Ty Cooper	LB	9	Chance Lovertich	QB	5-11	190	Sr.	TR	Brandon, Miss (South Alabama)
41	Colby Cox	LS	9	De'Monte Russell	DE	6-4	265	R-So.	SQ	Jackson, Miss. (Provine HS)
28	Londyn Craft	S	10	Makai Polk	WR	6-3	200	R-So.	TR	Richmond, Calif. (California)
67	Charles Cross	OL	11	Jaden Walley	WR	6-0	185	So.	1L	D'Iberville, Miss. (D'Iberville HS)
			12	Shawn Preston Jr.	S	6-0	205	R-Jr.	2L	St. James, La. (St. James HS)
94	Jaden Crumedy	DT	12	Sawyer Robertson	QB	6-4	210	Fr.	HS	Lubbock, Texas (Coronado HS)
6	Jordan Davis	DE	13	Emmanuel Forbes	CB	6-0	180	So.	1L	Grenada, Miss. (Grenada HS)
37	Tucker Day	Р	13	Jack Kristofek	QB	6-4	200	R-So.	TR	Dallas, Texas (Sam Houston State)
18	Janari Dean	S	14	Nathaniel Watson	LB	6-2	240	R-Jr.	2L	Maplesville, Ala. (Maplesville HS)
17	Caleb Ducking	WR	15	Jack Harris	DE	6-3	270	R-So.	1L	Sumrall, Miss. (Oak Grove HS)
19	Collin Duncan	S	15	Jake Weir	QB	6-2	205	Fr.	HS	Tupelo, Miss. (Tupelo HS)
42	Corey Ellington	S	16	Jack Abraham	QB	6-0	205	R-Sr.	GTR	Oxford, Miss. (Southern Miss)
1	Martin Emerson	CB	16	DeShawn Page	LB	6-2	225	So.	JC	Knoxville, Tenn. (East Mississippi CC)
13	Emmanuel Forbes	CB	17	Caleb Ducking	WR	6-5	205	R-Jr.	RS	Rolling Fork, Miss. (Holmes [Miss.] C.C.)
24	Christian Ford	WR	17	Aaron Odom	DE	6-3	275	R-Sr.	2L	Jackson, Miss. (Callaway HS)
27	Esaias Furdge	СВ	18	Janari Dean	S	5-11	195	R-Fr.	RS	Batesville, Miss. (South Panola HS)
48	Scott Goodman	P	19	Collin Duncan	S	6-0	205	Jr.	1L	Montgomery, Ala. (St. James School)
3	Daniel Greek	QB	20	Kyle Cass	S	6-2	205	R-Jr.	RS	New Orleans, La. (Mississippi Delta C.C.)
0	Jalen Green	S	20	Trip Wilson	WR	6-2	195	R-Fr.	RS	Tupelo, Miss. (Tupelo HS)
48	Eldric Griffin	S	21	Ke'Travion Hargrove	RB	5-11	195	Fr.	HS	Ruston, La. (Ruston HS)
5	Lideatrick Griffin	WR	21	Jaylon Reed	СВ	6-0	190	R-Jr.	SQ	Olive Branch, Miss. (Olive Branch HS)
			22	Nathan Pickering	DT	6-4	300	Jr.	2L	Mount Olive, Miss. (Seminary HS)
35	Landon Guidry	S	22	Omni Wells	RB	5-10	200	R-Sr.	RS	Moss Point, Miss. (Mississippi Gulf Coast C.C
43	Hayes Hammond	LS	23	Dillon Johnson	RB	6-0	215	So.	1L	Greenville, Miss. (St. Joseph HS)
39	Jay Hampton	СВ	24	Christian Ford	WR	5-11	175	R-Jr.	SQ	Atlanta, Ga. (Iowa Central C.C.)
46	William Hardrick	CB	24	Dylan Lawrence	S	6-4	205	R-So.	SQ	George County, Miss. (George County HS)
21	Ke'Travion Hargrove	RB	26	J.P. Purvis	LB	6-1	220	R-So.	1L	Pelahatchie, Miss. (Pelahatchie Attendance Cente
81	Antonio Harmon	WR	27	Esaias Furdge	СВ	6-0	185	R-Jr.	1L	Clarksdale, Miss. (Clarksdale HS)
15	Jack Harris	DE	28	Londyn Craft	S	6-0	205	R-Sr.	1L	Rio Rancho, N.M. (IMG Academy)
82	Rufus Harvey	WR	29	C.J. Morgan	S	6-0	205	R-Sr.	3L	Bossier City, La. (Parkway HS)
4	Malik Heath	WR	30	Decamerion Richardson	СВ	6-2	195	So.	1L	Cullen, La. (Bossier HS)
52	Grant Jackson	OL	31	Teddy Knox	WR	5-11	175	Fr.	HS	Baton Rouge, La. (The Woodlands (Texas) HS)
53	Nick Jarrett	LB	32	J.J. Jernighan	RB	5-11	215	R-Jr.	RS	Amory, Miss. (Copiah-Lincoln [Miss.] C.C.)
32	J.J. Jernighan	RB	33	Simeon Price	RB	6-0	215	Fr.	HS	Pensacola, Fla. (West Florida HS)
36	Jay Jimison	S	34	Sherman Timbs	LB	6-2	265	R-Sr.	2L	Indianola, Miss. (Indianola Academy)
23	Dillon Johnson	RB	35	Landon Guidry	S	6-0	195	R-Sr.	3L	Spring Hill, Tenn. (Independence HS)
	Jett Johnson	LB	36	Jay Jimison	S	6-0	200	R-Sr.	1L	Forest, Miss. (Copiah-Lincoln [Miss.] C.C.)
44			37	Tucker Day	P	6-0	215	R-Sr.	3L	Brentwood, Tenn. (Brentwood HS)
69	Kwatrivous Johnson	0L	37	John Lewis	LB	6-3	230	Fr.	HS	Canton, Miss. (Germantown HS)
70	Ramble Johnson	0L	38	Fred Peters	S	5-10	205	Sr.	2L	Columbia, Miss. (Jones [Miss.] College)
58	Kameron Jones	0L	39	Jay Hampton	СВ	6-2	175	Fr.	HS	Amory, Miss. (Amory HS)
66	Nick Jones	0L	40	Nic Mitchell	LB	6-2	230	Fr.	HS	Jacksonville, Fla. (Mandarin HS)
89	Brodie King	WR	41	Colby Cox	LS	6-1	235	R-Fr.	RS	Woodstock, Ga. (Woodstock HS)
4	Izuchukwu King Ani	DE	41	Cody Swanson	S	6-0	195	R-So.	SQ	Madison, Miss. (Madison-Ridgeland Academy
31	Teddy Knox	WR	42	Corey Ellington	S	6-3	185	Fr.	HS	Lexington, Miss. (Holmes County Central HS)
13	Jack Kristofek	QB	43	Hayes Hammond	LS	5-10	205	R-Fr.	RS	Tupelo, Miss. (Tupelo HS)
78	Scott Lashley	0L	44	Jett Johnson	LB	6-2	235	R-Jr.	SQ	Tupelo, Miss. (Tupelo HS)
24	Dylan Lawrence	S	45	Ty Cooper	LB	6-4	240	Fr.	HS	Louisville, Miss. (Louisville HS)
37	John Lewis	LB	46	William Hardrick	CB	6-1	160	Fr.	HS	Adamsville, Ala. (Minor HS)
9	Chance Lovertich	QB	47	Marshall Nichols	Р	6-1	205	Fr.	HS	Atlanta, Ga. (Holy Innocents Episcopal School
7	Jo'quavious Marks	RB	47	Tre Phillips	CB	5-9	175	Fr.	HS	Olive Branch, Miss. (Olive Branch HS)

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No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown (Previous School)
48	Scott Goodman	Р	5-10	205	R-Jr.	3L	Brandon, Miss. (Brandon HS)
48	Eldric Griffin	S	6-0	195	Fr.	HS	Loganville, Ga. (Grayson HS)
49	Aidan Martin	K	6-1	205	R-Fr.	RS	Houston, Texas (Klein Cain HS)
50	Timar Rogers	LB	6-1	200	Fr.	HS	Deland, Fla. (Deland HS)
50	Britain Virden	OL	6-3	285	R-Fr.	RS	Greenville, Miss. (St. Joseph Catholic School)
51	Reed Buys	OL	6-4	300	R-So.	RS	Vicksburg, Miss. (Jones [Miss.] College)
52	Grant Jackson	OL	6-6	310	R-Fr.	RS	Brookhaven, Miss. (West Lincoln HS)
53	Nick Jarrett	LB	6-3	225	R-Jr.	SQ	Harvest, Ala. (Garden City [Kan.] CC)
56	Rex Robich	LS	6-4	210	Fr.	HS	Palm Coast, Fla. (Matanzas HS)
56	Archer Trafford	Р	6-2	240	R-So.	JC	Shreveport, La. (Air Force Prep)
57	Cole Smith	OL	6-3	305	R-Jr.	1L	Pontotoc, Miss. (LSU)
58	Kameron Jones	OL	6-5	305	R-Jr.	1L	Starkville, Miss. (Starkville HS)
60	William Ryland	OL	6-2	285	R-So.	SQ	Fairhope, Ala. (Fairhope HS)
63	LaQuinston Sharp	OL	6-3	300	Sr.	2L	Columbus, Miss. (East Mississippi C.C.)
65	JT Zakkak	OL	6-3	295	R-Fr.	RS	Gulfport, Miss. (Gulfport HS)
66	Nick Jones	OL	6-3	300	R-So.	JC	Byhalia, Miss. (East Mississippi CC)
67	Charles Cross	OL	6-5	310	R-So.	1L	Laurel, Miss. (Laurel HS)
68	Gabe Cavazos Jr.	OL	6-4	285	Fr.	HS	Lake Cormorant, Miss. (Lake Cormorant HS)
69	Kwatrivous Johnson	OL OL	6-7	320	R-Jr.	1L	Greenwood, Miss. (Greenwood HS)
70	Ramble Johnson	OL	6-4	290	R-Jr.	RS	Purvis, Miss. (Northwest Mississippi C.C.)
71	Jim Riley	OL OL	6-4	270	Fr.	HS	luka, Miss. (Tishomingo County HS)
72	Canon Boone	OL OL	6-4	290	Fr.	HS	Kemah, Texas (Dickinson HS)
73	Max Ryan	OL.	6-4	260	Fr.	HS	Key West, Fla. (Key West HS)
74	Carson Williams	OL OL	6-5	300	R-So.	JC	Forest, Miss. (Mississippi Gulf Coast CC)
75	Calvin McMillian	OL OL	6-5	300	R-Fr.	RS	Houston, Miss. (Houston HS)
76	Albert Reese IV	OL OL	6-7	315	Fr.	HS	Edmonton, Alberta (Clearwater (Fla.) Academy Internation
77	Cordavien Suggs	OL OL	6-6	305	R-Sr.	1L	Jackson, Miss. (Duncan U. Fletcher (Fla.)
78	Scott Lashley	OL.	6-7	315	R-Sr.	GTR	West Point, Miss. (Alabama)
81	Antonio Harmon	WR	6-3	210	Fr.	HS	Kosciusko, Miss. (Kosciusko HS)
82	Rufus Harvey	WR	5-10	170	R-Fr.	RS	Starkville, Miss. (Starkville HS)
83	Quinton Torbor	WR	6-1	195	R-So.	SQ	Destrehan, La. (Destrehan HS)
84	Rara Thomas	WR	6-2	200	Fr.	HS	Eufaula, Ala. (Eufaula HS)
85	Austin Williams	WR	6-3	200	R-Sr.	3L	Ocean Springs, Miss. (Ocean Springs HS)
86	Jacobi Moore	WR	6-2	200	Fr.	HS	Gulfport, Miss. (Harrison Central HS)
87	Bo Brooks	WR	6-1	185	R-Jr.	RS	Madison, Miss. (Copiah-Lincoln [Miss.] C.C.)
88	Carson Banks	WR	5-10	170	R-Jr.	SQ	Brandon, Miss. (Northeast Mississippi C.C.)
89	Brodie King	WR	5-10	190	R-Jr.	1L	Biloxi, Miss. (Jones [Miss.] College)
90	Armondous Cooley	DT	6-2	300	R-Fr.	RS	Shubuta, Miss. (Wayne County HS)
91 na	Deonte Anderson	DE	6-3	235	Fr.	HS	Fort Meade, Fla. (Fort Meade Senior HS)
91	Nolan McCord	K	6-0	170	R-Fr.	RS	Lilburn, Ga. (Parkview HS)
92	Jevon Banks	DE	6-2	300	R-Fr.	RS	Olive Branch, Miss. (Olive Branch HS)
93	Cameron Young	DT	6-3	310	R-Jr.	2L	Crosby, Miss. (Franklin County HS)
94	Jaden Crumedy	DT	6-5	310	R-Jr.	2L	Hattiesburg, Miss. (Oak Grove HS)
95	Matai Mata'afa	DL	6-1	220	Fr.	HS	Lahaina, Hawaii (Lahainaluna HS)
99	Tre'von Marshall	DE	6-4	260	Fr.	HS	McDonough, Ga. (Locust Grove HS)

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No.	Name	Pos.
99	Tre'von Marshall	DE
49	Aidan Martin	K
95	Matai Mata'afa	DL
91	Nolan McCord	K
75	Calvin McMillian	0L
40	Nic Mitchell	LB
86	Jacobi Moore	WR
29	C.J. Morgan	S
47	Marshall Nichols	Р
17	Aaron Odom	DE
16	DeShawn Page	LB
38	Fred Peters	S
47	Tre Phillips	СВ
22	Nathan Pickering	DT
10	Makai Polk	WR
12	Shawn Preston Jr.	S
33	Simeon Price	RB
26	J.P. Purvis	LB
21	Jaylon Reed	CB
76	Albert Reese IV	OL.
30	Decamerion Richardson	
71	Jim Riley	OL.
12	Sawyer Robertson	QB
56	Rex Robich	LS
50	Timar Rogers	LB
2	Will Rogers	QB
8	Brandon Ruiz	ųb К
9	De'Monte Russell	DE
73	Max Ryan	OL.
60	William Ryland	OL OL
63	LaQuinston Sharp	OL
57	Cole Smith	OL OL
77		OL OL
41	Cordavien Suggs Cody Swanson	S
84	Rara Thomas	WR
34	Sherman Timbs	LB
83	Quinton Torbor	WR
56	Archer Trafford	P
50 50	Britain Virden	OL
11	Jaden Walley	WR
14 15	Nathaniel Watson Jake Weir	LB FR
22	Omni Wells	QB RB
2	Tyrus Wheat	LB
85 74	Austin Williams Carson Williams	WR OL
20	Trip Wilson	WR
93	Cameron Young	DT
65	JT Zakkak	OL.
UJ	JI Lannan	UL

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5	Lideatrick "Tulu" Griffin	TOO-loo
6	Jamire Calvin	JAH-meer
7	Jo'quavious Marks	jo-QUAY-vee-US
9	Chance Lovertich	LOVE-er-titch

9	De'Monte Russell	Duh-mahn-tay
10	Makai Polk	Muh-KY
13	Jack Kristofek	Chris-tuh-feck
18	Janari Dean	Juh-NAR-ee
21	Ke'Travion Hargrove	Kuh-TRAY-vion
27	Esaias Furdge	ee-SIGH-us
35	Landon Guidry	GID-ree

56	Rex Robich	Row-beach
69	Kwatrivous Johnson	Kwa-TRAY-vee-us
77	Cordavien Suggs	COR-day-vee-uhn
94	Jaden Crumedy	Crum-eh-DEE

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