

2023 SERVPRO First Responder Bowl

Texas State Bobcats (7-5, 4-4 Sun Belt) vs. Rice Owls (6-6, 4-4 American Athletic)

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THE GAME



Tuesday,
Dec. 26, 2023



4:30 p.m. CT



Dallas, Texas



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Stats Comparison

Texas State	Stat	Rice
36.0	PPG	30.25
33.83	Opp. PPG	26.67
134	Rush Off PG	80
106	Rush Def PG	89
143	Pass Off PG	132
132	Pass Def PG	123
297	Total Off PG	232
271	Total Def PG	236
29:06	Average TOP	31:08

TJ Finley	Passing	JT Daniels
24	Touchdowns	21
8	Interceptions	7
3,287	Yards	2,443
273.92	Avg/G	271.44

L. Mahdi	Rushing	D. Connors
10	Touchdowns	5
199	Attempts	106
1,239	Yards	737
100.75	Avg/G	58.92

J. Hobert	Receiving	L. McCaffrey
8	Touchdowns	12
71	Catches	68
847	Yards	963
84.70	Avg/G	80.25

THE MATCHUP

Coaching Staff Head-To-Head



Head Coach GJ Kinne
TXST Record: 7-5
Overall: 19-7
Bowl Record: First
Alma Mater: Tulsa, '11

Head Coach Mike Bloomgren
Rice Record: 22-45
Overall: Same
Bowl Record: 0-1
Alma Mater: Florida State, '99



SERVPRO FIRST RESPONDER BOWL NOTES

» Texas-Sized Showdown

This is the first time in First Responder Bowl history that two schools from the state of Texas will face each other. Texas Tech (2010), Houston (2011), North Texas (2013, 2016) and UTSA (2020) are the previous schools from the Lone Star State to participate in the game. Texas teams are 3-2 all time. This is the first FR Bowl to feature a matchup between the SBC and AAC.

» Something New for Everyone

Neither Texas State nor Rice has ever played in the SERVPRO First Responder Bowl since the game's inception in 2010. Including this game, the bowl has now had 27 different schools appear over its 14-year history. Only North Texas (2013, 2016) has been a participant more than once.

Texas State and Rice have played just four times previously (all at Rice), and the last clash came 36 years ago (1987). The all-time series is tied, 2-2.

» Bowled Over by This Game

The Bobcats are making their first-ever bowl appearance, while the Owls are playing in a bowl game in back-to-back years for just the third time in more than a century of football (1960, 1961) and (2012, 2023, 2014).

» Bobcats Bowl Bound

The Bobcats are playing in their first-ever bowl game since moving to the FBS level in 2012. In 2014, the Bobcats finished with a 7-5 overall record but were not selected for a postseason game.

» All-American in the Back Field

Sophomore RB Ismail Mahdi was named First Team All-American by CBS Sports/247 Sports as he led the nation in all-purpose yards with 2,014. He finished with 1,209 rushing, 529 kick return, and 276 receiving yards, getting into the endzone 12 times.

» Rice senior WR Luke McCaffrey will be taking part in the 99th annual East-West Shrine Bowl, the nation's oldest football all-star game, played Feb. 1, 2024 at Ford Center at the Star in Frisco.

» Rice Bowls

This is the Owls' 14th bowl appearance ever, and Rice is 7-6 all time dating back to 1938. It is the eighth time at Rice has played a bowl game in Texas, joining the Cotton Bowl (1938, 1950, 1954, 1958), Bluebonnet Bowl (1961), Texas Bowl (2008) and Armed Forces Bowl (2012).

» Texas-Sized Talent

A total of 152 players from Texas are on the rosters. The Texas State contingent includes 92 players from the Lone Star State, while the Rice roster features 60 players. In addition, Bobcats head coach G.J. Kinne is a native of Mesquite, Texas, just 14 miles east of Dallas.

» Close Encounters of the Third Kind

Three of the last four First Responder Bowls have been decided by a touchdown or less, including two contests that were determined on the final play. The 2019 game ended on a made 52-yard field goal with no time remaining as WKU defeated Western Michigan, 23-20. In the 2016 tilt, Army West Point defeated North Texas, 38-31, with a touchdown in overtime.

» Just Out Here Schooling

Schools that have competed in the First Responder Bowl include: Air Force, Army West Point, Boise State, Boston College, Houston, Illinois, Louisiana, Louisiana Tech, Louisville, Memphis, North Texas, Northwestern, Oklahoma State, Penn State, Purdue, Southern Miss, Texas Tech, UNLV, Utah, Utah State, UTSA, Washington, West Virginia, Western Michigan and WKU. In all, nine conferences (all but the SEC) and one football independent have been part of the game.

» It Gets Late Early Around Here

The 4:30 p.m. (CT) kickoff is the latest kickoff time in the bowl's history. The 2020 edition's gametime kick of 2:36 p.m. was the previous latest game time. In all, the last four games are the four latest start times in the game's annals.

» If It's Tuesday, It Must Be the First Responder Bowl

The First Responder Bowl is being played on a Tuesday for the sixth time in 14 games, making it the most popular day of the week for the game. The bowl has been played on every day except Thursday and Sunday.

» Taking The Temperature

The average game-time temperature in bowl annals is 49 degrees, which is exactly the temperature in 2022. The highest temperature of 78 degrees occurred at the 2015 game, while the lowest of 33 came at the inaugural game. (Let's not talk about the weather at the 2018 "no contest" game anymore.)

GERALD J. FORD STADIUM

Gerald J. Ford Stadium has a horseshoe configuration with an open south end zone adjacent to Mockingbird Lane. The architecture is consistent with the Collegiate-Georgian style of the entire SMU campus and features traditional, yet state-of-the-art design concepts. The stadium has a seating capacity of 32,000 with the possibility for future expansion to 45,000.

The configuration includes nearly 600 club level seats and 240 seats in 24 spacious luxury suites housed in a three-level tower and press box. In addition to housing the club and suites, the press box provides excellent sightlines and comfortably accommodates more than 125 working print, digital, radio and television media.

The playing surface is 25 feet below ground level, with half of the stadium's seats sunk below grade, ensuring a smooth transition into the surrounding neighborhood and the remainder of the SMU campus.

The stadium has undergone millions of dollars' worth of upgrades since its opening. In the summer of 2018, SMU installed end zone video screens that run the width of the field. At this time, SMU also completed a \$2 million renovation of the locker room and team meeting rooms.

A new 233-seat Hall of Champions Club and new suites were added prior to the 2013 season. Among the great features of the new Club and suites is their indoor/outdoor design which allows fans to enjoy the comfort of indoor amenities as well as the excitement of sitting out in the bowl and hearing the roar of the crowd and the hard-hitting action on the field.

A \$50 million commitment from the Garry Weber Foundation, established by former Mustang football letterman Garry A. Weber '58, is the largest gift in the history of SMU Athletics and supports a \$100 million drive for a new 192,500-square-foot Garry Weber End Zone Complex at Gerald J. Ford Stadium. The new Garry Weber End Zone Complex will anchor Ford Stadium's south bowl that will connect the stadium's existing east and west gate entries.

The three levels of the new complex will increase the functionality, efficiency and overall experience of Mustang football for student-athletes and fans, as well as inspire interest and investments in athletics across SMU's campus. Team-focused spaces will include new locker rooms, a weight room, position-specific meeting rooms, a full-team auditorium and a kitchen and training table to support all of SMU's 484 student-athletes. The new facility will also house football coaches, support staff and video and recruiting services.

The newly constructed concourse will offer premium experiences for fans, expand guest facilities, improve pedestrian accessibility and add an inviting breezeway that joins the stadium's entryways to the internal field.

MISCELLANEOUS

SERVPRO First Responder Bowl Notes Continued

- » The school winning the coin toss has won the game five times (Texas Tech, Louisiana Tech, Utah, WKU and Memphis).
- » The school leading after the first quarter has won the game 10 times with only the UNLV-North Texas contest being tied (7-7).
- » The school (Texas Tech, Houston, Oklahoma State, Louisiana Tech, Washington, Army, Utah and Memphis) leading at halftime has won the game 10 times with the UNLV-North Texas (7-7) contest & WKU vs. Western Michigan (10-10) being tied.
- » The school (Texas Tech, Houston, Oklahoma State, North Texas, Louisiana Tech, Washington, Army and Utah) leading going to the 4th had won the first nine games until WKU in 2019.
- » The school that has scored first has won 10 times with only North Texas (2014) and WKU (2019) rebounding to be victorious.
- » Only twice, the school (Louisiana Tech, Louisiana) with the fewest total yards has won the game.
- » **COMPETITION FOR MVP**
Each of the game's first four players named Game MVP were quarterbacks. However, only two of the next 7 were signal callers through 2020. However, the QB's are back in control of the huddle as the last two have been quarterbacks, with 7 QB's earning the honor overall.

BOWL HISTORY

Date	Result (Conference)	Attendance	Television
1/1/2011	Texas Tech (Big 12) 45, Northwestern (Big Ten) 38	40,121	ESPNU
1/2/2012	Houston (C-USA) 30, Penn State (Big Ten) 14	46,817	ESPNU
1/1/2013	Oklahoma State (Big 12) 58, Purdue (Big Ten) 14	48,313	ESPNU
1/1/2014	North Texas (C-USA) 36, UNLV (Mountain West) 14	38,380	ESPNU
12/26/2014	Louisiana Tech (C-USA) 35, Illinois (Big Ten) 18	31,297	ESPN
12/26/2015	Washington (Pac-12) 44, Southern Miss (C-USA) 31	20,229	ESPN
12/26/2016	Army (Independent) 38, North Texas (C-USA) 31 (OT)	39,117	ESPN
12/26/2017	Utah (Pac-12) 30, West Virginia (Big 12) 14	20,507	ESPN
12/30/2019	WKU (C-USA) 23, Western Michigan (MAC) 20	13,164	ESPN
12/26/2020	Louisiana (SBC) 31, UTSA (C-USA) 24	3,512	ABC
12/28/2021	Air Force (MWC) 31, Louisville (ACC) 28	15,251	ESPN
12/26/2022	Memphis (AAC) 38, Utah State (MWC) 10	10,343	ESPN

MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS

Year	Most Valuable Player	Highlights
2011	QB Taylor Potts, Texas Tech	completed 43 of 56 passes for 369 yards and four TDs
2012	QB Case Keenum, Houston	completed 45 of 69 passes for 532 yards and three TDs
2013	QB Clint Chelf, Oklahoma State	completed 17 of 22 passes for 197 yards and three TDs
2014	QB Derek Thompson, North Texas	completed 21 of 30 passes for 256 yards and two TDs
2014	DE Houston Bates, Louisiana Tech	6 tackles, 5 solo, 5.5 tackles for losses (35 yards), 4.5 sacks (32)
2015	RB Myles Gaskin, Washington	26 rushes, 181 yards and four TDs
2016	QB Ahmad Bradshaw, Army	completed 2 of 3 passes for 53 yards, 18 carries for 129 yards and a TD
2017	CB Julian Blackmon, Utah	2 interceptions, 2 tackles
2019	WR Lucky Jackson, WKU	17 rec for 148 yards and a TD
2020	RB Elijah Mitchell, Louisiana	19 carries, 127 yards, 1 TD
2021	QB Haaziq Daniels, Air Force	completed 9 of 10 passes for 252 yards and two TDs
2022	QB Seth Henigan, Memphis	completed 20 of 29 passes for 284 yards and 3 TDs

POSTSEASON HISTORY

Texas State Bobcats				Rice Owls			
Bowl Record: 0-0				Bowl Record: 7-6			
Last 10 Bowl Games (0-0)				Last 10 Bowl Games (4-6)			
Year	Opponent	Bowl/Game	Result	Year	Opponent	Bowl/Game	Result
2022	Southern Miss	Lending Gree	L, 38-24	2022	Southern Miss	Lending Gree	L, 38-24
2014	Fresno St.	Hawaii	W, 30-6	2014	Fresno St.	Hawaii	W, 30-6
2013	Miss St.	Liberty	L, 44-7	2013	Miss St.	Liberty	L, 44-7
2012	Air Force	Armed Forces	W, 33-14	2012	Air Force	Armed Forces	W, 33-14
2008	W. Michigan	Texas	W, 38-13	2008	W. Michigan	Texas	W, 38-13
2006	Troy	New Orleans	L, 41-17	2006	Troy	New Orleans	L, 41-17
1961	Kansas	Bluebonnet	L, 33-7	1961	Kansas	Bluebonnet	L, 33-7
1961	Ole Miss	Sugar	L, 14-6	1961	Ole Miss	Sugar	L, 14-6
1958	Navy	Cotton	L, 20-7	1958	Navy	Cotton	L, 20-7
1954	Alabama	Cotton	W, 28-6	1954	Alabama	Cotton	W, 28-6

RECORD BREAKING PLAYS				RECORD BREAKING GAMES			
LONGEST RUSHING PLAYS				OFFENSIVE	No.	Player. School. Season	
Yds. Player	Team	Year		Rushing Yards	181	Myles Gaskin, Washington, 2015	
1. 86 Eric Stephens	Tech	2011		Rushing Attempts	26	Myles Gaskin, Washington, 2015	
86 Myles Gaskin	UW	2015		Rushing TDs	4	Myles Gaskin, Washington, 2015	
3. 65 Ahmad Bradshaw	Army	2016		Longest Rush	86	Eric Stephens, Texas Tech, 2010	
4. 58 Zack Moss	Utah	2017		Longest TD Rush	86	Eric Stephens, Texas Tech, 2010	
5. 50 Mike Dudek	Illinois	2014		Passing Yards	532	Case Keenum, Houston, 2011	
6. 48 Jevyon Ducker	Memphis	2022		Pass Attempts	69	Case Keenum, Houston, 2011	
7. 39 Gej Walker	WKU	2019		Pass Completions	45	Case Keenum, Houston, 2011	
8. 34 Malik Cunningham	Louisville	2021		Passing TDs	4	Taylor Potts, Texas Tech, 2010	
9. 29 Jaydon Mickens	UW	2015		Completion Percentage	(9/10) 90.0%	Haaziq Daniels, Air Force, 2021	
10. 29 Sincere McCormick	UTSA	2020		Passes Had Intercepted	3	Rob Bolden, Penn State, 2011	
29 Elijah Mitchell	LA	2020		Longest Pass	80	Cody Sokol to Kenneth Dixon, LA Tech, 2014	
LONGEST PASSING PLAYS				Pass Receptions	17	Lucky Jackson, Western Kentucky, 2019	
Yds. Player	Team	Year		Receiving Yards	228	Patrick Edwards, Houston, 2011	
1. 80 Cody Sokol	La. Tech	2014		Receiving TDs	2	(4x); last Brandon Lewis, Air Force, 2021	
2. 75 Case Keenum	Houston	2012		Total Plays	76	Case Keenum, Houston, 2011	
3. 70 Cody Sokol	La Tech	2014		Total Yards	542	Case Keenum, Houston, 2011	
4. 69 Rob Bolden	Penn St.	2012		Touchdowns Responsible For	5	Taylor Potts, Texas Tech, 2010	
5. 64 Haaziq Daniels	Air Force	2021		All-Purpose Yards	234	Patrick Edwards, Houston, 2011	
6. 56 Nick Mullens	So. Miss	2015		Touchdowns Scored	4	Myles Gaskin, Washington, 2015	
7. 52 Frank Harris	UTSA	2020		Points Scored	24	Myles Gaskin, Washington, 2015	
8. 44 Bishop Davenport	Utah St.	2022		SPECIAL TEAMS			
9. 43 Rob Bolden	Penn St.	2012		No.	Player. School. Season		
10. 42 Seth Henigan	Memphis	2022		Kicking Points Scored	15	Quinn Sharp, Oklahoma State, 2012	
LONGEST RECEPTIONS				Field Goals Attempted	5	Matt Hogan, Houston, 2011	
Yds. Player	Team	Year		Field Goals Made	3	(5x); last Cory Munson, Western Kentucky, 2019	
1. 80 K. Dixon	La. Tech	2014		Longest Field Goal Made	53	Connor Coles, Utah St., 2022	
2. 75 Pat Edwards	Houston	2012		Longest Field Goal Attempted	53	Connor Coles, Utah St., 2022	
3. 70 C. Henderson	La Tech	2014		Extra Points Made	6	Matt Williams, Texas Tech, 2010	
4. 69 Justin Brown	Penn St.	2012		Kickoff Returns	5	Quinn Sharp, Oklahoma State, 2012	
5. 64 Brandon Lewis	Air Force	2021		Kickoff Return Yards	121	Venric Mark, Northwestern, 2010	
6. 56 M. Thomas	So. Miss	2015		Longest Kickoff Return	100	Terrell Vaughn, Utah St., 2022	
7. 52 Zakhari Franklin	UTSA	2020		Punts	9	Jawhar Jordan, Louisville, 2021	
8. 44 Brian Cobbs	Utah St.	2022		Punt Yards	424	Anthony Fera, Penn State, 2011	
9. 43 Devon Smith	Penn St.	2012		Punting Average (Min. 3)	52.7	Billy Kinney, West Virginia, 2017	
10. 42 Joe Scates	Memphis	2022		Longest Punt	65	Billy Kinney, West Virginia, 2017	
LONGEST FIELD GOALS				Punt Returns	3	Quinn Sharp, Oklahoma State, 2012	
Yds. Player	Team	Year		Punt Return Yards	73	Boobie Hobbs, Utah, 2017	
1. 53 Connor Coles	Utah St.	2022		Longest Punt Return	64	Josh Steward, Oklahoma State, 2012	
2. 52 Cory Munson	WKU	2019		DEFENSIVE			
3. 43 David Reisner	Illinois	2014		No.	Player. School. Season		
4. 42 Quinn Sharp	Okla. St.	2013		Interceptions	2	(4x); last Sylvonta Oliver, Memphis, 2022	
5. 38 Matt Hogan	Houston	2012		Interception Return Yards	88	Kareem Ali, Western Michigan, 2019	
6. 37 Trevor Moore	NT	2016		Interception Return TDs	1	(3x); last Kareem Ali, Western Michigan, 2019	
7. 35 Matt Hogan	Houston	2012		Longest Interception Return	69	Kareem Ali, Western Michigan, 2019	
8. 31 Cory Munson	WKU	2019		Fumble Return	37	Daytawion Lowe, Oklahoma State, 2012	
9. 31 Kenneth Almenda	LA	2020		Forced Fumbles	2	Brodick Brown, Oklahoma State, 2012	
10. 30 Thiago Kapps	WMU	2019		Total Tackles	15	Quentin Davie, Northwestern, 2010	
MOST TACKLES				Unassisted Tackles	12	Jeremy Timpf, Army West Point, 2016	
Tot/Solo Player	Team	Year		Tackles For Loss	5.5	Houston Bates, Louisiana Tech, 2014	
1. 15 3 Quentin Davis	NW	2011		Sacks	4.5	Houston Bates, Louisiana Tech, 2014	
15 12 Jeremy Timpf	Army	2016		Sack Yards	32	Houston Bates, Louisiana Tech, 2014	
3. 14 3 Nate Williams	NW	2011		Passes Defensed	4	Ta'Corian Darden, Western Kentucky, 2019	
4. 13 1 Cqulin Hubert	Texas Tech	2011					
13 7 Kyzir White	WVU	2017					
13 6 Rashad Wisdom	UTSA	2020					
7. 12 7 Nate Stupar	Penn St.	2012					
8. 11 5 Hunter Bates	NW	2011					
11 4 Peni Vea	UNLV	2014					
11 6 Fred Scott	NT	2016					
11 5 Kyle Bailey	WKU	2019					
11 4 Lorenzo McCaski	LA	2020					

TEXAS STATE SBC HONORS

VIA TXST.com — Ismail Mahdi, one of the most dynamic players in the country, and Mason Shipley, one of the nation's most accurate kickers, were named to the 2023 All-Sun Belt First Team and headlined a group of six Bobcats who earned a total of seven all-conference selections as the Sun Belt office announced the postseason award winners.

Mahdi was named a first team all-purpose player – and second team return specialist – while Shipley was a first team kicker. Joey Hobert was named All-Sun Belt Second Team as a wide receiver, and Ben Bell (defensive line) and Brian Holloway (linebacker) were selected to the all-conference second team on the defensive side. Offensive lineman Brey Walker was named All-Sun Belt Third Team.

The Bobcats also had four honorable mention selections, including quarterback TJ Finley, wide receivers Kole Wilson and Ashtyn Hawkins, and defensive back Shawn Holton.

The all-conference selections were voted on by Sun Belt head coaches and media members.

Mahdi and Shipley are the first Bobcats to be named all-conference first team since linebacker Bryan London II in 2019. Mahdi is the first Texas State offensive player on the first team since Keenen Brown (tight end) in 2018 while Shipley is the first ever specialist to be named All-Sun Belt First Team in school history. He is the first kicker in school history to earn all-conference first team honors since Stan Jones was named All-Southland First Team in 2005.

The seven selections on the all-conference first, second and third teams are the most for the Bobcats since 2008.

Mahdi not only led the Sun Belt in all-purpose yards in the regular season, but he led the entire country with 2,014 yards. He was the only player in the nation to finish the regular season with more than 2,000 all-purpose yards. The sophomore ran for 1,209 rushing yards on 199 carries and added 276 receiving yards on 18 catches and 529 kick return yards on 20 returns. He scored 12 total touchdowns in 12 games.

Shipley led the Sun Belt with his perfect 100 percent field goal percentage on 14 attempts. The Liberty Hill, Texas product, who finished the regular season as one of three kickers in the country with a perfect field goal percentage, tied the school record for most field goals made in a season. He also totaled 94 points, which were the most by a Bobcat since 2008 and ranked seventh best in the Sun Belt this year.

The seven All-Sun Belt selections were tied with South Alabama and Georgia Southern for the fifth-most in the conference.

TOP PERFORMANCES

100-YARD RUSHERS

Rushing, School, Year	Carries	Yards	Avg.	TD	Long
Myles Gaskin, Washington, 2015	26	181	7.0	4	86
Zach Moss, Utah, 2017	20	153	7.5	1	58
Ahmad Bradshaw, Army, 2016	18	129	7.2	1	65
Eric Stephens, Texas Tech, 2011	14	126	9.0	1	86
Elijah Mitchell, Louisiana, 2020	19	127	6.7	1	29
Sincere McCormick, UTSA, 2020	23	122	5.3	0	29
Frank Harris, UTSA, 2020	18	117	5.1	1	15
Kain Colter, Northwestern, 2011	18	105	5.8	2	14
Trey Ragas, Louisiana, 2020	14	104	7.0	1	22
Tyler Huntley, Utah, 2017	25	101	2.3	2	16

250-YARD PASSERS

Passing, School, Year	Comp.	Att.	Int.	Yards	TD	Long
Case Keenum, Houston, 2012	45	69	0	532	3	75
Taylor Potts, Texas Tech, 2011	43	56	1	369	4	30
Ty Storey, WKU, 2019	35	51	2	358	2	30
Nick Mullens, Southern Miss, 2015	25	38	0	331	2	56
Alec Morris, North Texas, 2016	26	38	1	304	3	30
Reilly O'Toole, Illinois, 2014	24	39	1	295	1	25
Jake Browning, Washington, 2015	23	34	0	284	0	41
Seth Henigan, Memphis, 2022	20	29	0	284	3	42
Derek Thompson, North Texas, 2014	21	30	0	256	2	34
Haaziq Daniels, Air Force, 2021	9	10	0	252	2	64

100-YARD RECEIVERS

Receiving, School, Year	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Long
Patrick Edwards, Houston, 2012	10	228	22.8	2	75
Michael Thomas, Southern Miss, 2015	9	190	21.1	2	56
Brandon Lewis, Air Force, 2021	5	172	34.4	2	64
Justin Johnson, Houston, 2012	12	148	12.3	1	24
Lucky Jackson, WKU, 2019	17	148	8.7	1	20
Lyle Leong, Texas Tech, 2011	10	118	11.8	2	30
Zakhari Franklin, UTSA, 2020	5	115	23.0	1	52
Joshua Simon, WKU, 2019	6	105	17.5	0	30

150-YARD ALL-PURPOSE

Player, School, Year	Plays	T Yds	Avg.	Rush Y	Rec. Y	PR	KOR	INT
Patrick Edwards, Houston, 2012	11	234	21.3	0	228	6	0	0
Eric Stephens, Texas Tech, 2011	23	227	9.9	126	19	0	82	0
Michael Thomas, Southern Miss, 2015	11	224	20.4	0	190	0	34	0
Myles Gaskin, Washington, 2015	27	184	6.8	181	3	0	0	0
Brelan Chancellor, North Texas, 2014	17	181	10.6	47	74	16	44	0
Carlos Henderson, Louisiana Tech, 2014	11	180	16.4	11	93	0	76	0
Tyler Wilson, North Texas, 2016	9	174	19.3	0	81	0	93	0
Terrell Vaughn, Utah State, 2022	10	161	16.1	6	34	0	121	0
Zach Moss, Utah, 2017	21	159	7.6	150	9	0	0	0
Marcus Simms, WVU, 2017	8	150	18.8	0	33	7	124	0
Josh Stewart, Oklahoma State, 2013	8	150	18.8	21	56	73	0	0

TOTAL BOWL RECORDS

Category	No.	Player, School, Season
Rushes	101	Army West Point vs. North Texas, 2016
Yards Rushing	604	Army West Point vs. North Texas, 2016
Rushing Touchdowns	7	Washington (5) vs. Southern Miss (2), 2015
Pass Attempts	96	Houston (69) vs. Penn State (27), 2011
Pass Completions	57	Northwestern (14) vs. Texas Tech (43), 2010
Passing Yards	669	Houston (532) vs. Penn State (137), 2011
Passing TDs	7	Oklahoma State (5) vs. Purdue (2), 2012
Total Offensive Plays	165	Northwestern (80) vs. Texas Tech (85), 2010
Total Yards	955	Washington (580) vs. Southern Miss (375), 2015
Yards Per Play	6.5	Washington (7.4) vs. Washington (5.4), 2015
First Downs	57	Texas Tech (34) vs. Northwestern (23), 2010
First Downs Rushing	26	Texas Tech (10) vs. Northwestern (16), 2010
First Downs Passing	30	Western Kentucky (20) vs. Western Michigan (10), 2019
First Downs By Penalty	5	(4x); last Western Kentucky (3) vs. Western Michigan (2), 2019
Points Scored	83	Texas Tech (45) vs. Northwestern (38), 2010
Points Scored, Quarter	32	Texas Tech (14) vs. Northwestern (18), 2010
Points Scored, Half	53	Texas Tech (21) vs. Northwestern (32), 2010
Most Touchdowns	10	Texas Tech (4) vs. Northwestern (6), 2010
Most Field Goals	5	Western Kentucky (3) vs. Western Michigan (2), 2019
Most Fumbles	3	Oklahoma State (0) vs. Purdue (3), 2012
Most Interceptions	3	Houston (0) vs. Penn State (3), 2011
		Western Kentucky (1) vs. Western Michigan (2), 2019
Most Turnovers	5	Oklahoma State (2) vs. Purdue (3), 2012
Most Penalties	15	Illinois (9) vs. Louisiana Tech (6), 2014
Most Penalty Yards	120	Western Kentucky (56) vs. Western Michigan (64), 2019
Fewest Penalties	8	UNLV (2) vs. North Texas (6), 2014
Most Punts	15	Penn State (9) vs. Houston (6), 2011
Yards Punted	629	Penn State (374) vs. Houston (255), 2011
Punt Returns	5	Penn State (3) vs. Houston (2), 2011
Punt Return Yards	73	Oklahoma State (73, 2 returns) vs. Purdue (0), 2012
Kickoff Returns	13	Texas Tech (7) vs. Northwestern (6), 2010
Kickoff Return Yards	67	Texas Tech (43) vs. Northwestern (24), 2010

RICE AAC HONORS

RiceOwls.com — Rice wide receiver Luke McCaffrey leads the list of five Owls who were named to the 2023 All-American Athletic Conference football team.

The junior wide receiver, who leads the conference and is tied for seventh nationally with 12 touchdown receptions, was named to the All-AAC first team in voting by conference coaches and he was joined by running back Dean Connors, linebacker Myron Morrison, rush end Josh Percy and safety Gabriel Taylor who earned honorable mention honors.

McCaffrey finished the regular season reaching career highs with 68 receptions and 963 yards in addition to his 12 receiving touchdowns. He ranks fourth in the conference in receptions and fifth in yards while his conference-leading 12 touchdowns are tied for the eighth most in conference history. He ranks fifth on the Rice season list with 963 yards and 12 TDs, and seventh with 68 receptions while he is tied for third on the career list with 17 touchdowns and ranks eighth with 120 career receptions and 1,686 yards. He has been invited to play in the East-West Shrine Bowl after the season.

Connors enjoyed a breakout season, leading the Owls in rushing (707 yards), rushing touchdowns (5), and all-purpose yards (1,117) while also catching 42 passes for 395 yards and three scores. He averaged 6.7 yards per carry, the best by a Rice running back (minimum 100 carries) since Thomas Lott Jr. averaged 7.29 in 2003.

Morrison started all 12 games at the Will LB this season and finished second on the team with 71 tackles while serving as a co-captain.

Percy also served as a co-captain this year and led the team with six quarterback hits. He was tied for second on the team with 17 hurries and third with 25 total pressures while finishing with 42 tackles in 12 starts.

Taylor started 11 games and was second on the squad with 10 passes defending, including a pair of interceptions to tie for the team lead. He averaged a career-best 5.1 tackles per game.

TEAM RECORDS

OFFENSIVE	No.	School, Year
Rushes	74	Army West Point, 2016
Yards Rushing	486	Army West Point, 2016
Rushing TDs	6	Army West Point, 2016
Pass Attempts	69	Houston, 2011
Completions	45	Houston, 2011
Passing Yards	532	Houston, 2011
Passing TDs	5	Oklahoma State, 2012
Total Offensive Plays	85	Texas Tech, 2010
		Houston, 2011
Total Yards	600	Houston, 2011
Yards Per Play	7.4	Washington, 2015
First Downs	34	Texas Tech, 2010
First Downs Rushing	20	Army West Point, 2016
First Downs Passing	22	Texas Tech, 2010
First Downs By Penalty	3	(4x); last Western Kentucky, 2019
Longest Scoring Drive By Yards	95	UNLV, 2013
Most Plays, Scoring Drive	15	Northwestern, 2010
Longest Scoring Drive By Time Elapsed	6:32	Western Kentucky, 2019
Shortest Scoring Drive By Yards	21	Washington, 2015
Fewest Plays, Scoring Drive	1	(3x); last Washington, 2015
Shortest Scoring Drive By Time Elapsed	0:12	Louisiana Tech, 2014
Longest Non-Scoring Drive By Yards	60	Illinois, 2014
Most Plays, Non-Scoring Drive	11	Illinois, 2014
Longest Non-Scoring Drive By Time Elapsed	10:30	Army West Point, 2016
Most Points Scored	58	Oklahoma State, 2012
Most Points Scored, Quarter	22	North Texas, 2013
Most Points Scored, Half	32	Northwestern, 2010
Most Touchdowns	6	Texas Tech, 2010
PENALTIES	No.	School, Year
Most Penalties	9	Illinois, 2014
Most Penalty Yards	68	Illinois, 2014
Fewest Penalties	1	Memphis & Utah St., 2022
Time of Possession	38:34	Utah, 2017
SPECIAL TEAMS & DEFENSE	No.	School, Year
Most Field Goals	3	4x; last Western Kentucky, 2019
Most Punts	9	Penn State, 2011
		West Virginia, 2017
Punt Yards	424	West Virginia, 2017
Punt Returns	4	Utah, 2017
Punt Return Average	36.5	Oklahoma State, 2012
Kickoff Returns	7	(3x); last West Virginia, 2017
Kickoff Return Yards	168	West Virginia, 2017
Kickoff Return Average	30.3	Utah St., 2022
Most Field Goals	3	(4x); last Western Kentucky, 2019
Most Fumbles Recovered	3	Oklahoma State, 2012
Most Interceptions, Defense	3	(2x); last Memphis 2022
Most Turnovers, Defense	5	Oklahoma State, 2012
Fewest Points Allowed	14	(4x); last Utah, 2017

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YEAR-BY-YEAR STATISTICS

Team Statistics	NW	Tech	UH	Penn St.	Purdue	OSU	UNLV	NT	ILL	LA Tech	UW	USM
Year, Home Team	2011	Home	2012	Home	2013	Home	2014	Home	2014	Home	2015	Home
Coin Toss		won		won		won		won		won		won
Coin Toss Decision		deferred		deferred		deferred		deferred		deferred		deferred
POINTS	38	45	30	14	14	58	14	36	18	35	44	31
FIRST DOWNS	23	34	25	14	18	28	19	21	26	16	27	22
Rushing	16	10	5	10	10	11	7	10	6	6	13	5
Passing	7	22	19	3	6	14	10	11	18	7	12	14
Penalty	0	2	1	1	2	3	2	0	2	3	2	3
3rd-Down Conversions	6 of 16	8 of 15	6 of 17	6 of 18	5 of 15	4 of 12	6 of 15	10 of 17	3 of 15	3 of 13	7 of 13	6 of 15
4th-Down Conversions	3 of 4	1 of 1	0 of 1	0 of 1	2 of 3	1 of 1	1 of 2	0 of 0	1 of 2	0 of 0	0 of 1	2 of 2
NET YARDS RUSHING	229	183	68	169	155	213	66	141	122	114	296	22
Rushing Attempts	50	29	16	44	38	41	27	45	33	31	44	30
Average Per Rush	4.6	6.3	4.2	3.8	4.1	5.2	2.4	3.1	3.7	3.7	6.7	0.7
Rushing Touchdowns	3	2	0	1	0	1	0	3	1	3	5	2
Yards Gained Rushing	241	189	83	194	171	227	109	158	175	145	320	64
Yards Lost Rushing	12	6	15	25	16	14	43	17	53	31	24	42
NET YARDS PASSING	146	369	532	137	212	311	196	256	329	247	284	353
Comp.-Att.-Int.	14-30-1	43-56-1	45-69-0	7-27-3	21-34-2	25-34-0	22-41-1	21-30-0	28-41-1	14-28-0	23-34-0	26-39-0
Avg. Per Attempt	4.9	6.6	7.7	5.1	6.2	9.1	4.8	8.5	7.0	8.8	8.4	9.1
Avg. Per Completion	10.4	8.6	11.9	19.6	10.1	12.4	8.9	12.2	11.8	17.6	12.3	13.6
Passing TD	1	4	3	1	2	5	2	2	1	1	0	2
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	375	552	600	306	367	524	262	397	451	361	580	375
Total offense plays	80	85	85	71	72	75	68	75	80	59	78	69
Avg. Gain Per Play	4.7	6.5	7.1	4.3	5.1	7.0	3.9	5.3	5.6	6.1	7.4	5.4
Fumbles: Number-Lost	2-0	1-1	0-0	2-0	6-3	0-0	2-1	3-1	1-1	1-1	3-1	1-0
Int.: Num.-Yds-TD	1-39-1	1-19-0	3-13-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-15-0	0-0-0	1-11-0	0-0-0	1-69-1	0-0-0	0-0-0
Fumble Ret.: Num.-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-48-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-19	1-0	0-0-0	1-0-0
Turnovers	1	2	0	0	5	0	2	1	1	2	1	0
Penalties: Number-Yards	7-52	3-34	6-55	6-55	4-45	7-62	2-20	6-60	9-68	6-45	5-50	4-45
PUNTS-YARDS	5-178	4-124	6-255	9-374	4-155	3-158	6-236	6-265	5-194	6-224	2-112	6-226
Average Yards Per Punt	35.6	31.0	42.5	41.6	38.8	52.7	39.3	44.2	38.8	37.3	56.0	37.7
Net Yards Per Punt	35.6	31.0	34.7	38.7	20.5	52.7	33.3	37.3	38.8	35.5	36.0	26.3
Inside 20	1	1	4	1	0	3	0	3	1	0	0	0
50+ Yards	1	0	2	2	0	2	1	3	1	1	2	0
Touchbacks	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	1	1	2	1
Fair catch	1	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
Punt returns: Num.-Yds.-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-6-0	3-47-0	0-0-0	2-73-0	2-1-0	2-16-0	0-0-0	2-11-0	3-48-0	0-0-0
Average Per Return	0.0	0.0	3.0	15.7	0.0	36.5	0.5	8.0	0.0	5.5	16.0	0.0
KICKOFFS-YARDS	7-457	7-433	7-435	3-180	3-182	11-692	3-178	6-366	5-312	6-358	9-522	5-293
Average Yards Per Kickoff	65.3	61.9	62.1	60.0	60.7	62.9	59.3	61.0	62.4	59.7	58.0	58.6
Net Yards Per Kickoff	44.9	44.1	42.6	35.3	40.3	39.3	36.3	36.3	49.2	47.0	34.3	39.4
Touchbacks	0	0	1	0	0	4	1	2	1	2	4	2
Kickoff returns: Nu.-Yds-TD	6-124-0	7-143-0	3-74-0	6-117-0	7-160-0	3-61-0	4-98-0	2-44-0	3-66-0	4-76-0	3-46-0	5-113-0
Average Per Return	20.7	20.4	24.7	19.5	22.9	20.3	24.5	22.0	22.0	19.0	15.3	22.6
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Possession Time	30:17	29:37	27:49	32:11	32:52	27:08	24:44	35:15	35:00	25:00	34:25	25:35
1st Quarter	6:35	8:25	8:55	6:05	9:02	5:58	4:47	10:13	11:50	3:10	11:24	3:36
2nd Quarter	8:34	6:26	5:48	9:12	8:32	6:28	9:07	5:53	9:05	5:55	5:32	9:28
3rd Quarter	9:06	5:48	6:30	8:30	9:28	5:32	5:09	9:51	8:48	6:12	6:44	8:16
4th Quarter	6:02	8:58	6:36	8:24	5:50	9:10	5:41	9:19	5:17	9:43	10:45	4:15
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	5-5	6-6	4-5	1-1	1-2	7-7	2-2	4-5	2 of 3	2 of 2	6-6	303
Touchdowns	4	5	1	1	1	4	2	4	1	2	3	2
Field goals	1	1	3	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	3	1

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YEAR-BY-YEAR STATISTICS

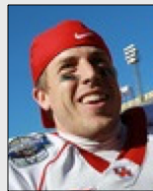
Team Statistics Year, Home Team	Army 2016	NT Home	Utah 2017	WVU Home	WKU 2019	WMU Home	LA 2020	UTSA Home	AF 2021	UL Home	Mempis 2021	USU Home
Coin Toss		Won	Won		Won		Won		Won		Won	
Coin Toss Decision		Deferred	Deferred		Deferred		Deferred		Deferred		Receive	
POINTS	38	31	30	14	23	20	31	24	31	28	38	10
FIRST DOWNS	22	19	19	6	28	19	23	27	21	21	26	15
Rushing	20	7	10	1	5	7	13	13	11	12	11	7
Passing	2	11	7	5	20	10	6	10	9	9	14	7
Penalty	0	1	2	0	3	2	4	4	1	0	1	1
3rd-Down Conversions	11-17	5-12	6-19	2-14	7-15	5-15	6-12	4-10	8-14	7-13	7-14	5-13
4th-Down Conversions	2-4	1-3	2-3	1-1	1-2	1-2	2-3	1-2	1-1	2-3	0-0	0-1
NET YARDS RUSHING	480	96	197	29	481	307	265	223	170	192	146	126
Rushing Attempts	74	27	53	21	28	31	46	44	55	37	47	35
Average Per Rush	6.5	3.6	3.7	1.4	4.4	3.7	5.8	5.1	3.1	5.2	3.1	3.6
Rushing Touchdowns	6	1	3	0	0	0	2	1	2	2	2	0
Yards Gained Rushing	483	121	273	41	137	118	276	249	192	219	213	153
Yards Lost Rushing	3	25	76	12	14	4	11	26	22	27	67	27
NET YARDS PASSING	53	314	165	124	358	193	146	208	252	207	284	135
Comp.-Att.-Int.	2-4-0	27-40-2	12-27-0	10-32-2	35-52-2	19-36-1	12-23-0	13-21-1	9-10-0	13-22-0	20-29-0	15-23-3
Avg. Per Attempt	13.2	7.8	6.1	4.1	6.9	5.4	6.3	9.9	25.2	9.4	9.8	5.9
Avg. Per Completion	26.5	11.6	13.8	12.4	10.2	10.2	12.2	16.0	28.0	15.9	14.2	9.0
Passing TD	0	3	0	1	2	1	2	2	2	1	3	1
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	533	410	362	153	481	307	411	431	422	399	430	261
Total offense plays	78	67	80	51	80	67	69	65	65	59	76	58
Avg. Gain Per Play	6.8	6.1	4.5	3.0	6.0	4.6	6.0	6.6	6.5	6.8	5.7	4.5
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-1	1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	2-1	1-1	1-0	3-0	1-0	0-0
Int.: Num.-Yds-TD	0-0-0	2-3-0	2-24-0	0-0-0	1-0-0	2-88-1	1-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	3-35-0	0-0-0
Fumble Ret.: Num.-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
Turnovers	1	2	0	2	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	3
Penalties: Number-Yards	4-40	6-55	5-32	5-51	4-56	6-64	4	4	3-35	4-35	5-55	8-54
PUNTS-YARDS	2-70	3-128	6-247	9-424	3-123	5-232	2-73	2-74	3-126	2-93	4-148	5-188
Average Yards Per Punt	35.0	42.7	41.2	47.1	41.0	46.4	36.5	37.0	42.0	46.5	37	37.6
Net Yards Per Punt	35.0	43.7	40.6	40.8	41.0	45.6	37.5	37.0				
Inside 20	0	1	0	3	2	1	1	0	0	0	2	1
50+ Yards	0	0	1	4	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
Touchbacks	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
Fair catch	0	1	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Punt returns: Num.-Yds.-TD	2-3-0	0-0-0	4-46-0	1-7-0	2-8-0	2-5-0	1-0-0	1-2-0	0-0-0	1-4-0	2-8-0	1-1-0
Average Per Return	-1.5	0-01	11.5	-7.0	4.0	2.5	0	-2	0	4.0	4.0	1.0
KICKOFFS-YARDS	4-54	6-126	7-399	3-180	3-61	4-107	6-384	5-304	1-0-0	5-159-1	1-26-0	4-121-0
Average Yards Per Kickoff	13.5	21.0	57.0	60.0	20.3	26.8	64.0	60.8	0.0	31.8	26.0	30.3
Touchbacks	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	3	3	1
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Possession Time	36:18	2:42			32:01	27:59	32:37	27:23	35:26	24:34	36:06	23:54
1st Quarter	10:40	4:20					7:25	7:35				
2nd Quarter	6:51	8:09					8:01	6:59				
3rd Quarter	6:18	8:42					6:18	8:42				
4th Quarter	12:29	2:10					10:53	4:07				
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-4	3-4	5-5	3-3	4-6	3-3	5-6	3-3	3-3	1-3	4-4	0-0
PAT	4-4	2-4	3-3	0-0	2-2	2-2	4-4	3-3	4-4	4-4	5-5	1-1
Field goals	0-4	1-4	3-3	2-2	3-4	2-2	1-1	1-2	1-1	0-1	1-1	1-1

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PREVIOUS MVPS



Taylor Potts
Texas Tech, 2011



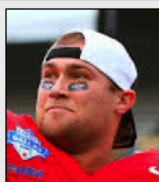
Case Keenum
Houston, 2012



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Oklahoma St., 2013



Derek Thompson
North Texas, 2014



Houston Bates
La. Tech, 2014



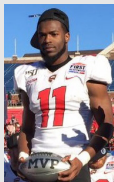
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Washington, 2015



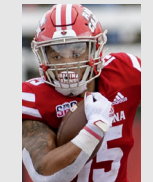
Ahmad Bradshaw
Army, 2016



Justin Blackmon
Utah, 2017



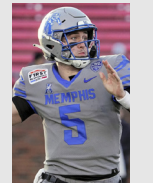
Lucky Jackson
WKU, 2019



Elijah Mitchell
Louisiana, 2020



Haaziq Daniels
Air Force, 2021



Seth Henigan
Memphis, 2022

MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS

COACHES

Champion	Year	Runner-up
Tommy Tuberville, Texas Tech	2011	Pat Fitzgerald, Northwestern
Tony Levine, Houston	2012	Tom Bradley, Penn State
Mike Gundy, Oklahoma State	2013	Patrick Higgins, Purdue
Dan McCarney, North Texas	2014	Bob Hauck, UNLV
Skip Holtz, Louisiana Tech	2014	Tim Beckman, Illinois
Chris Petersen, Washington	2015	Todd Monken, Southern Miss
Jeff Monken, Army	2016	North Texas, Seth Littrell
Kyle Whittingham, Utah	2017	West Virginia, Dana Holgerson
Tyson Helton, WKU	2019	Tim Lester, WMU
Billy Napier, Louisiana	2020	Jeff Traylor, UTSA
Troy Calhoun, Air Force	2021	Scott Satterfield, Louisville
Ryan Silverfield, Memphis	2022	Blake Anderson, Utah State

WEATHER, OPENING KICKOFF

Date	Opponents	Temperature at KO	Visibility	Opening KO Return	Duration Hours:Minutes
2011	Northwestern vs. Texas Tech	33°F at 11:00 a.m.	Clear	Northwestern, 19 yards	3:42
2012	Houston vs. Penn State	47°F at 11:06 a.m.	Clear	Houston, 22 yards	3:30
2013	Purdue vs. Oklahoma State	42°F at 11:04 a.m.	Cloudy	Oklahoma State, 14 yards	3:19
2014	UNLV vs. North Texas	46°F at 11:05 a.m.	Clear	North Texas, touchback	3:27
2014	Illinois vs. Louisiana Tech	59°F at 12:02 p.m.	Light Rain	Illinois, out-of-bounds	3:30
2015	Washington vs. Southern Miss	78°F at 1:20 p.m.	Cloudy	Washington, touchback	3:34
2016	Army vs. North Texas	57°F at 11:06 a.m.	Cloudy	Army, 24 yards	3:29
2017	Utah vs. West Virginia	39°F at 12:30 p.m.	Cloudy	WVU, 29 yards	3:22
2019	WKU vs. Western Michigan	50°F at 11:33 a.m.	Clear	WKU, 36 yards	3:35
2020	No. 19 Louisiana vs. UTSA	70°F at 2:36 p.m.	Clear	LA, 26 yards	3:19
2021	Air Force vs. Louisville	80°F at 2:26 p.m.	Clear	Louisville, 26 yards	3:03
2022	Memphis vs. Utah State	49°F at 2:20 p.m.	Clear	Memphis, touchback	3:18

FIRST PLAYS, FIRST DRIVE

Date	School	First Play, Yards	First Series, Start (duration)/Result
2011	Northwestern	False Start, 5	5 plays, 25 yards, N20, 2:08 39-yard punt
2012	Houston	Pass Incomplete, 0	6 plays (all passes), 76 yards, H24, 1:52 40-yd TD Pass (Case Keenum to Pat Edwards)
2013	Oklahoma State	Pass Incomplete, 0	3 plays, 9 yards, OS18, 1:40 65-yard punt
2014	North Texas*	Pass, completed, 19	7 plays 19 yards, NT25, 4:29 51-yard punt
2014	Illinois	Rush, 1	3 plays, -15 yards, I35, 2:51 38-yard punt
2015	Washington	Pass incomplete, 0	9 plays, 43 yards, W25, 3:38 Turnover on downs
2016	Army	Rush, 6	11 plays, 75 yards, 5:48 5-yd TD run (D. Woolfolk)
2017	WVU	Rush, 1	3 plays, 4 yards, 1:35 45-yard punt
2019	WMU	Rush, 1	6 plays, 0 yards, 3:12 53-yard punt
2020	Louisiana	Rush, 5	8 plays, 68 yards, 4:17 15-yd TD Pass (Levi Lewis to Jalen Williams)
2021	Louisville	Rush, 7	5 plays, 13 yards, 2:20 59-yard punt
2022	Memphis	Pass complete, 12	6 plays, 35 yards, 3:05 25-yard punt

CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Conference	Won	Lost	PF	PA	Schools
CUSA	4	3	210	179	Houston 2012 (30-14), North Texas 2014 (36-14), Louisiana Tech 2014 (35-18), Southern Miss 2015 (31-44), North Texas 2016 (31-38), WKU 2019 (23-20), UTSA 2020 (24-31) Washington 2015 (44-31), Utah 2017 (30-14)
Pac-12	2	0	74	45	
Big 12	2	1	117	82	Texas Tech 2011 (45-38), Oklahoma State 2013 (58-14), WVU 2017 (14-30)
Independent	1	0	38	31	Army 2016 (38-31)
Sun Belt	1	0	31	24	Louisiana 2020 (31-24)
American	1	0	38	10	Memphis 2022 (38-10)
Mountain West	1	2	55	102	UNLV 2014 (14-36), Air Force 2021 (31-28) Utah State 2022 (10-38)
ACC	0	1	28	31	Louisville 2021 (28-21)
MAC	0	1	20	23	Western Michigan 2019 (20-23)
Big Ten	0	4	84	168	Northwestern 2011 (38-45), Penn State (14-30), Purdue (14-58), Illinois (18-35)

7 Conferences, 1 independent, 20 schools 63.7 average points per game, 18.0 scoring margin

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Previous Edition (2022)

DALLAS - Bowl performances aren't always indicative of how a team will fare the next season, but the Memphis Tigers must have some idea that things could bounce their way in 2023.

Memphis and the rest of the American Athletic Conference welcome six new members next season, and odds are, the Tigers will be ready.

On Tuesday, Memphis (7-6) snuffed the candle on the 2022 college football season, lifting the 13th SERVPRO First Responder Bowl trophy after a 38-10 victory over Utah State (6-7) at SMU's Ford Stadium.

The Tigers are set – at least by the current roster – to return their quarterback, Tuesday's top running back, at least two top receivers, their starting tight end and a host of ball-hawking defenders next season.

It shapes up to potentially spell trouble for most of the AAC, including newcomers North Texas, Rice, Charlotte, FAU, UAB and UTSA.

"I can finally exhale," Memphis coach Ryan Silverfield said. "I don't try to hide from it. College football is quite different. It's a different job from year to year.

"To get to a bowl and win as champions, there are only so many teams that can end the year as champions. The guys here in the locker room know we have bright days ahead."

Memphis' Seth Henigan completed 20 of 29 passes for 284 yards and three touchdowns. Jevyon Ducker had 83 yards rushing and two scores, averaging 6.4 yards per carry. Eddie Lewis had five catches for 83 yards and two scores.

Tight end Caden Prieskorn added another touchdown. Cornerbacks Sylvonta Oliver (two) and Joel Williams combined for three Memphis interceptions of three different Utah State quarterbacks.

Memphis never trailed but was tied briefly, 3-3, in the second quarter after Utah State's Connor Coles nailed a 53-yard field goal. The Aggies' Cooper Legas, who began the season as a backup to senior Logan Bonner before the latter's season-ending injury, was sacked twice on that drive.

Little else went Utah State's way from there, save for a crossing route by backup Bishop Davenport that wideout Brian Cobbs took 44 yards to the house. By then, Memphis still led, 24-10.

YEAR-BY-YEAR RESULTS

2011 Score by Quarters						2014 Score by Quarters						
	1	2	3	4	Total		1	2	3	4	Total	
Northwestern (7-6)	0	6	18	14	38	Illinois (6-7)		3	6	6	3	18
Texas Tech (8-5)	10	14	14	7	45	Louisiana Tech (9-5)	14	7	0	14	35	
Total elapsed time - 3:42, Weather - 33°, NNW@14, Clear						Total elapsed time - 3:30, Weather 59° SSE@10, Light Rain						

2012 Score by Quarters						2015 Score by Quarters					
	1	2	3	4	Total		1	2	3	4	Total
Houston (13-1)	17	7	3	3	30	Washington (6-7)	14	7	10	13	44
Penn State (8-4)	0	7	7	0	14	Southern Miss (9-5)	7	10	7	7	31
Total elapsed time - 3:30, Weather - 47° N@14, Sunny & Clear						Total elapsed time - 3:34, Weather 78° SSE@21, Cloudy					

2013 Score by Quarters						2016 Score by Quarters					
	1	2	3	4	Total		1	2	3	4	Total
Purdue (6-7)	0	0	7	7	14	Army (8-5)	12	12	7	0(7)	38
Oklahoma State (8-5)	14	14	17	13	58	North Texas (5-8)	7	14	7	3(0)	31
Total elapsed time - 3:19, Weather, 42° NNW@16, Cloudy						Total elapsed time - 3:29, Weather 57° NW@3, Cloudy					

2014 Score by Quarters						2017 Score by Quarters					
	1	2	3	4	Total		1	2	3	4	Total
UNLV (7-6)	7	0	0	7	14	Utah (7-6)	7	10	0	13	30
North Texas (9-4)	7	0	7	22	36	WVU (7-6)	0	3	3	8	14
Total elapsed time - 3:27, Weather 46° SSE@9, Clear & Sunny						Total elapsed time - 3:22, Weather 39° NE@7, Cloudy					

2019 Score by Quarters						2020 Score by Quarters					
	1	2	3	4	Total		1	2	3	4	Total
Western Kentucky (8-4)	0	10	0	13	23	Louisiana (10-1)	7	10	7	7	31
Western Michigan (7-5)	3	7	7	3	20	UTSA (7-5)	0	7	14	3	24
Total elapsed time - 3:35, Weather 50°F WNW@12, Clear & Sunny						Total elapsed time - 3:19, Weather 70°F S@15mph, Sunny					

2021 Score by Quarters						2022 Score by Quarters					
	1	2	3	4	Total		1	2	3	4	Total
Air Force (10-3)	7	21	0	3	31	Mempis (7-6)	3	21	0	14	38
Louisville (6-7)	0	14	7	7	28	Utah State (6-7)	0	3	0	7	10
Total elapsed time - 3:03, Weather 80°F S@12mph, Sunny						Total elapsed time - 3:18, Weather 49°F SE@4, Sunny					

Memphis (7-6 , 3-5) -vs- Utah St. (6-7 , 5-3) 12/27/2022 at Dallas, Texas (Gerald J. Ford)

Date: 12/27/2022
Site: Dallas, Texas (Gerald J. Ford)
Attendance: 10,343

Score By Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
MEM	3	21	0	14	38
USU	0	3	0	7	10

Scoring Summary

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	MEM	USU
1st	01:05	MEM - Howard,Chris 26 yd field goal 12 plays, 64 yards, TOP 05:14	3	0
2nd	12:13	USU - Coles,Connor 53 yd field goal 9 plays, 37 yards, TOP 03:45	3	3
2nd	07:24	MEM - Lewis,Eddie 15 yd pass from Henigan,Seth (Howard,Chris kick) 8 plays, 72 yards, TOP 04:43	10	3
2nd	02:56	MEM - Lewis,Eddie 22 yd pass from Henigan,Seth (Howard,Chris kick) 5 plays, 50 yards, TOP 02:26	17	3
2nd	00:24	MEM - Prieskorn,Caden 3 yd pass from Henigan,Seth (Howard,Chris kick) 10 plays, 52 yards, TOP 01:38	24	3
4th	11:04	USU - Cobbs,Brian 44 yd pass from Davenport,Bishop (Coles,Connor kick) 5 plays, 92 yards, TOP 01:48	24	10
4th	07:22	MEM - Ducker,Jevyon 1 yd run (Howard,Chris kick), 7 plays, 47 yards, TOP 03:41	31	10
4th	03:16	MEM - Ducker,Jevyon 48 yd run (Howard,Chris kick), 5 plays, 58 yards, TOP 01:54	38	10

Kickoff Time: 02:20 PM **End of Game:** 05:39 PM **Duration:** 03:18
Referee: Villar,Francisco **Line Judge:** Stabile,Jon **Side Judge:** Reed,Gary **Umpire:** Robinson,Brad
Back Judge: Hudson,Steve **Score Keeper:** Hutcheon,Jeff **Field Judge:** Migchelbrink,Todd
Temperature: 49 **Wind:** SE 4mph **Weather:** Sunny