



2024 C.E. BYRD YELLOW JACKETS FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

SCHEDULE & RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME/SCORE
9/6	at St. Amant Gators	The Pit	7 PM
9/13	vs. *Haughton Buccaneers	Lee Hedges	7 PM
9/20	at *Evangel Eagles	Rodney Duron	7 PM
9/27	at John Ehret Patriots	Hoss Memtsas	7 PM
10/3	at *Parkway Panthers	Preston Crownover	7 PM
10/11	at *Huntington Raiders	Independence	7 PM
10/18	vs. *Natchitoches Chiefs (HC)	Lee Hedges	7 PM
10/25	at *Benton Tigers	Tiger Stadium	7 PM
11/1	vs. *Airline Vikings	Lee Hedges	7 PM
11/7	vs. *Captain Shreve Gators	Lee Hedges (H)	7 PM
11/15	**LHSAA Select Division I Playoffs		

*District 1-5A (HC) Homecoming **Select Div. I Playoffs

C.E. BYRD HIGH SCHOOL

Located: Shreveport, Louisiana
Renamed: 1925 (previously Shreveport HS)
Enrollment: 1,470
Nickname: Yellow Jackets
Colors: Purple and Gold
District: 1-5A
Stadium: Lee Hedges Stadium
Principal: Gerald "Jerry" Badgley

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator /Safeties: Stacy Ballew
Offensive Coordinator: Wade Leone
Offensive Line: Craig Harris
Wingbacks: Rahkeem Mitchell
Wide Receivers: Kellum Humphrey
Defensive Line: Shimorye Hampton
Linebackers: Jalen Bowers
Corner Backs: Benji Piazza
Freshmen: Carlos Doss, Jason Pope, Ronnie Buckingham, Seth Guerra,
Tucker Gardner
Certified Athletic Trainer: Cordarius Wayne, ATC, LAT

YELLOW JACKET FACTS

2023 Overall Record (Playoffs): 4-7 (Div. I Regionals)
District 1-5A Record (Place): 4-3, Tied 3rd
Offensive Starters Returning: 6
Defensive Starters Returning: 6
Offense: Multiple Option
Defense: 4-2-5

BY THE NUMBERS

120

2023 marks the 120th season of Shreveport-Byrd Yellow Jackets Football

100

2024 is the 100th season of Byrd Yellow Jackets Football

7

Coaches on varsity staff who are Byrd alums; Returning starters on offense and defense

OVER THE AIRWAVES

Byrd Yellow Jackets Football can be heard live on AM 1130 & FM 103.3 The Tiger (KWKH). Fans can also livestream the games on 1130thetiger.com or by downloading the 1130 The Tiger app and clicking the "listen live" button.



Play-by-play: Charlie Cavell
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GAME ONE



SEPTEMBER 6, 2024 * 7 PM
THE PIT
ST. AMANT, LOUISIANA



BYRD YELLOW JACKETS

2023 Record (District): 4-7 (4-3, 1-5A)
Ranking: NR
Last Game: 11/10/23 - L, 23-2 at Jesuit
Head Coach: Stacy Ballew
Career Record [Years]: 21-13 (.618) [4th]
Byrd Record [Years]: Same
State Championships: 8 (Most recent 2020)
Byrd record vs. St. Amant: First meeting

ST. AMANT GATORS

2023 Record (District): 10-2 (4-1, 5-5A)
Ranking: NR
Last Game: 11/17/23 - L, 42-21 at Mandeville
Head Coach: David Oliver
Career Record [Years]: 102-59 (.633) [17th]
SAHS Record [Years]: Same
State Championships: 0
St. Amant record vs. Byrd: First meeting

Opening The 100th Season On The Road

The C.E. Byrd Yellow Jackets will open their 100th season on Friday, Sept. 6, against the St. Amant Gators. It's the second consecutive year the Yellow Jackets will start a season on the road. Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. at St. Amant's stadium known as "The Pit."

A Little About the Teams

Byrd finished the 2023 season with a 4-7 overall record and was the No. 17 seed in the LHSAA's Select Division I Playoffs. The Yellow Jackets finished in a three-way tie for third place in District 1-5A with a 4-3 record. Byrd returns six starters on offense and six on defense from last year's team. The St. Amant Gators had an outstanding 2023 season posting a 10-2 overall record and a 4-1 record in District 5-5A. After defeating Ouachita 31-3 in first round of the Non-Select Division I Playoffs, St. Amant lost 42-21 to the Mandeville Skippers in the Regional Round.

Last Time Out For Real

On a dreary night at the Shrine on Airline in Metairie, Byrd's performance reflected the less than ideal conditions as the Yellow Jackets lost 23-2 to the Jesuit Blue Jays in the bi-district round of the LHSAA's Division I Playoffs. Jesuit's defense limited Byrd's offense to just 81 yards of total offense and zero points. The Jackets avoided a shutout by registering a safety when the ball was snapped over the head of Jesuit punter Andrew Bordelon and he kicked it out of the back of the end zone. Blue Jays' running back Patrick Berrigan was the star of the game as he rushed for 177 yards and two touchdowns. The No. 21 seeded Mandeville Skippers upset the No. 5 seeded St. Amant Gators 42-21 in the regional round of the 2023 Non-Select Division I Playoffs.

The Series

This is the first-ever meeting between the Byrd Yellow Jackets and St. Amant Gators. St. Amant High School is located southeast of Baton Rouge and just east of Gonzales, La. The Gators are members of the seven-team District 5-5A which includes: Denham Springs, Dutchtown, East Ascension, Live Oak, Prairieville and Walker. The only times Byrd faced a team from District 5-5A was against the East Ascension Spartans in the 2014 playoffs (W, 37-20) and the 2020 regular season (W, 27-20).

The Centennial Season

2024 is the 100th season of C.E. Byrd Football and the 120th season of Yellow Jackets Football. On Sept. 17, 1925, Shreveport High School was renamed in honor of Clifton Ellis Byrd, who was the first superintendent of schools in Caddo Parish. The team will wear a special helmet decal commemorating the centennial season.

The Coaches

After Mike Suggs announced his retirement in May 2021, Byrd principal Jerry Badgley named Stacy Ballew as the 24th head coach in Yellow Jackets football history. He earned his first victory as the Jackets head coach in Byrd's 43-14 season-opening win over Huntington in 2021. Ballew has spent over half his life at the Line Avenue school. An All-District offensive lineman for coach Alan Carter, Ballew was a member of the Yellow Jackets from 1992-95. He was a sophomore on Byrd's 1993 District Championship team that went 10-1 and was a senior on the 1995 team that finished 8-3. After graduating in 1996, he returned to his alma mater in 1998, working as an assistant coach, while attending LSU Shreveport. He earned a bachelor of science degree from LSUS in 2000. After a one-year hiatus, Ballew returned home in 2002 to become the running backs coach on Suggs' staff. In 2005, Ballew would move over to the defensive side, where he'd remain for 16 seasons, coaching the linebackers. He was promoted to defensive coordinator in 2009 and spent 12 seasons coordinating the Purple Swarm Defense. Ballew owns a 21-13 (.618) record in his previous three seasons as Byrd's head coach. The rest of the coaching staff includes: Wade Leone, offensive coordinator; Craig Harris, offensive line; Rahkeem Mitchell, running backs; Kellum Humphrey, wide receivers; Jalen Bowers, linebackers; Shimorye Hampton, defensive line and Benji Piazza, cornerbacks. Ballew is the defensive coordinator and coaches the safeties. Freshmen coaches include: Carlos Doss, Jason Pope, Seth Guerra, Ronnie Buckingham and Tucker Gardner. Cordarius Wayne is the certified athletic trainer. St. Amant is coached by David Oliver, begins in his 17th season as the head coach of the St. Amant Gators football program. Oliver has compiled a 102-59 (.633) record in his previous 16 seasons at St. Amant. He previously served as an assistant coach for 13 years with the Gators. He was the Gators' offensive coordinator under then head coach David Swacker before being promoted to head coach.

COACH'S CORNER



BALLEW BIOGRAPHY

Education

High School: Byrd, 1996
 College: LSU Shreveport, B.S., 2000

Player

All-District offensive lineman for Byrd Yellow Jackets

Coach

1998-2001 - Assistant coach at Byrd High School
 2001 - Coach at Acton Junior High School, Granbury, TX
 2002-04 - Running backs coach at Byrd High School
 2005-08 - Linebackers coach at Byrd High School
 2009-2020 - Defensive Coordinator / Linebackers coach at Byrd High School
 2021 - Head coach at Byrd High School

Family

Wife - Jennifer Lord Ballew
 Children - Twins - Daughter - LeighAnne; Son - Jackson (both Byrd alums)

Byrd's yearly record while Ballew was an Assistant Coach

1998	.....	7-4
1999	.....	6-5
2000	.....	8-3
2002	.....	9-4
2003	.....	4-5
2004	.....	4-5
2005	.....	7-5
2006	.....	8-4
2007	.....	10-2
2008	.....	8-3
2009	.....	4-6
2010	.....	6-5
2011	.....	12-1
2012	.....	8-3
2013	.....	11-2
2014	.....	12-1
2015	.....	10-2
2016	.....	4-7
2017	.....	5-5
2018	.....	7-3
2019	.....	4-7
2020	.....	10-1
22 Years	.....	164-83

Head Coaching Record at Byrd

2021	.....	9-2
2022	.....	8-4
2023	.....	4-7
2024	.....	0-0
3 Years	.....	21-13

Achievements

2021 District 1-5A Champions
 Three consecutive playoff appearances

Stacy Ballew is in his fourth season as the head coach of the C.E. Byrd Yellow Jackets. However, Ballew is no stranger to the purple and gold having spent three-fourths of his life, four as a student athlete and 22 as an assistant coach, at the Line Avenue school.

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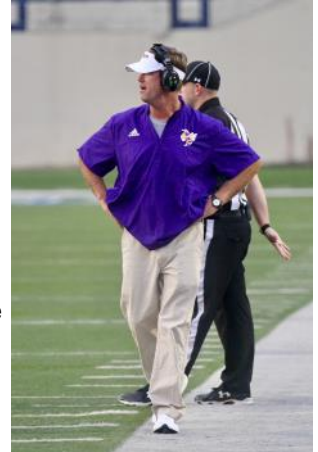
In 2001, Ballew left Shreveport and Byrd for a coaching position at Acton Junior High School in Granbury, Texas. His time in the Lone Star State was short lived as he returned home and to his alma mater in 2002 to become the running backs coach under head coach Mike Suggs.

In 2005, Ballew would move over to the defensive side of the football, where he'd remain for 16 seasons, to coach linebackers. Suggs promoted Ballew to defensive coordinator in 2009. He'd oversee some of the top "Purple Swarm Defenses" in school history.

Under his tutelage, the 2020 Purple Swarm Defense was one of the best in program history allowing just over 200 yards and 14 points a game. Byrd was particularly impressive against the run giving up just 80.3 yards per game and 3.0 yards per carry.

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The 45-year-old Ballew has been married to the former Jennifer Lord for over 20 years. The couple has twins, LeighAnne and Jackson, who graduated from Byrd in 2022.



COACHING RECORDS

Coach	Years	W	L	T	Pct
Mike Suggs	1998-2020	167	89	0	.652
H.M. Knilians	1926-34	74	10	5	.860
Lee Dobson	1935-45	72	31	7	.686
Jack Rowan	1946-55	68	40	4	.625
J.D. Cox	1960-67	59	31	2	.655
Alan Carter	1990-97	51	33	0	.607
Jimmy Harrison	1968-76	42	48	2	.467
George Hoy	1923-25	23	4	2	.827
Lee Hedges	1956-59	23	19	3	.544
Jerry Burton	1977-82	23	37	0	.439
Stacy Ballew	2021-24	21	13	0	.618
E.L. Alberson	1920-22	19	4	5	.768
Unknown	1905-06, '09-11, '13, '18	17	5	3	.740
Boyd Cole	1985-89	11	39	0	.275
S.E. Davies	1914-15	6	5	1	.542
Frank Bridges	1916	4	3	0	.571
Evans	1907	3	2	0	.600
Scovell	1919	2	3	0	.400
Douglas Sentell	1912	1	0	0	1.000
A. Bogard	1917	0	3	1	.125
Tom Cathey	1983-84	0	18	0	.000
Totals	120 Years	686	437	35	.608

NOTEBOOK

DISTRICT 1-5A STANDINGS

Airline Vikings.....	0-0
Benton Tigers.....	0-0
Byrd Yellow Jackets.....	0-0
Captain Shreve Gators.....	0-0
Evangel Eagles.....	0-0
Haughton Buccaneers.....	0-0
Huntington Raiders.....	0-0
Natchitoches Central Chiefs.....	0-0
Parkway Panthers.....	0-0

RECENT RESULTS

Huntington 20, Northwood 19
 Parkway 22, Airline 14
 Benton 21, Haughton 7
 Ouachita 6, Natchitoches Central 0
 Captain Shreve 20, Byrd 13
 Evangel 25, West Monroe 22

2023 YARDSTICK

Byrd	0	0	2	0	-2
Jesuit	0	13	3	7	-23

JHS - Patrick Berrigan 22 run (kick failed)
 JHS - Berrigan 7 run (Ethan Cabos kick)
 JHS - Cabos 29 field goal
 BHS - Safety, ball out of end zone
 JHS - Roman Larre' 11 pass from Beaux Perez (Cabos kick)

	BHS	JHS
First Downs	5	17
Rushing Att -Yards	36-94	45-223
Passing Yards	(-13)	57
Passes (C-A-I)	1-7-0	5-14-0
Punts-Avg.	7-39.9	4-22.8
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	1-1
Penalties-Yards	7-47	4-17

Individual Leaders

Rushing - BHS: Harrison Ayres 11-41, Desmond Simmons 10-31, Jontavious Mobery 3-18, Malachi Johnson 9-3, Asher Murray 2-2, Quinton Hilliard 1(-1); JHS: Berrigan 22-177, Landon Garcia 15-50, Beau Perez 4-22, Jack Lauricella 1-4, Tayler Norton 1(-2), Team 2(-28).
Passing - BHS: Asher Murray 1-7-0 (-13); JHS: Perez 5-14-0 57.
Receiving - BHS: Malachi Johnson 1(-13); JHS: Larre' 2-16, Caden Sanderson 1-20, Calvin Magee 1-11, Jake Giardina 1-10.

2020 YARDSTICK

E. Ascension	0	7	0	6	--20
Byrd	14	7	0	6	--27

BHS - Mitchell Ramsey 83 kickoff return (Brayden Hermes kick)
 BHS - Kellum Humphrey 35 pass from Lake Lambert (Hermes kick)
 BHS - Ramsey 58 run (Hermes kick)
 EA - Kendall Washington 21 pass from Troy Dunn (Logan Kern kick)
 EA - Novell Chopin 14 pass from Dunn (Kern kick)
 BHS - William Berry 70 pass from Lambert (kick failed)
 EA - Chopin 3 pass from Dunn (kick failed)

	EA	BHS
First Downs	11	111
Rushing Yards	37-201	39-258
Passing Yards	85	112
Passes (C-A-I)	7-17-1	3-7-0
Punts-Avg.	6-27.8	5-31.6
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-2
Penalties-Yards	6-47	9-66

Individual Leaders

Rushing - EA: Walter Samuel 18-105, Dunn 10-92, Keandre Johnson 1-4, Kendall Washington 7-1, Kael Babin 1(-1); BHS: Ramsey 11-138, Lambert 8-34, Venzell Thompson 9-33, Bery 3-27, Jason Little 7-27.
Passing - EA: Dunn 7-17-1 85; BHS: Lambert 4=3-7-0 112.
Receiving - EA: Chopin 4-62, Washington 2-29, Samuel 1(-6); BHS - Bery 1-70, Humphrey 1-35, Ramsey 1-7.

YELLOW JACKET STINGERS

Yellow Jackets Football History

2024 marks the 120th season of Yellow Jackets Football and the 100th as C.E. Byrd...Yellow Jackets Football began in 1905 and competed as Shreveport High School through the 1924 season...The school was renamed in honor of Clifton Ellis Byrd in September of 1925...In the 20 seasons of Shreveport High School Football, the Yellow Jackets compiled an impressive 67-28-12 record...In the 119-year combined history of Shreveport-Byrd football, the Yellow Jackets have won eight state championships and have been the state runners-up six times...Shreveport-Byrd owns a 686-437-35 (.608) overall won-loss record...Retired coach Mike Suggs is the school's all-time winningest coach with a 167-89 (.652) record...Head coach Stacy Ballew owns an 21-13 (.618) record in his three seasons as the Jackets' head coach...Ballew needs three more victories to tie three legendary coaches in George Hoy, Lee Hedges and Jerry Burton...In Ballew's first season, Byrd captured a share of the 2021 District 1-5A crown...The Jackets have won 24 district titles in program history...Byrd won six district titles under Suggs, the most for one coach in school history...In 2023, Byrd made the playoffs for the 14th consecutive year, the longest stretch in school history, and 18 of the last 19 seasons...Byrd has participated in the playoffs in 41 different seasons and holds a 34-33-2 record...In 2020, the Yellow Jackets reached the state finals for the 14th time in school history and the first time since 2013...After Catholic High of Baton Rouge was forced to vacate the title, Byrd was awarded the 2020 Division I State Championship by the LHSAA and Principal Jerry Badgley accepted...For three consecutive seasons from 2013-15 Byrd posted double-digit wins, a first in school history...Byrd is 14-10 in season openers since 2000...Since 1905, the Yellow Jackets own a 62-54-3 record in season openers.

2023 Notes

Byrd scored just two points against Jesuit which marked the second time during the 2023 season the Jackets failed to score a touchdown in a game...Parkway beat Byrd 21-3 in week seven...The last times Byrd was kept out of the end zone in a game was in weeks one and two of the 2019 season when the Jackets were shut out by Brother Martin (28-0) and West Monroe (24-0)...With its 376 rushing yards in its 42-14 win over Natchitoches Central, Byrd eclipsed the 300-yard mark plateau for the seventh time...Byrd also had five rushing touchdowns against the Chiefs, which marked the fourth time the Jackets had five or more rushing TDs in a game...Fullback Desmond Simmons registered career highs in carries with 28 and rushing yards with 205 against Airline...Simmons was the first Byrd back to rush for over 200 yards since Lake Lambert had 267 rushing yards against Alexandria in the 2022 regional playoff game...Defensive back Kaiden Abraham-Miller had two interceptions against Southwood...It was the first multi-interception game for a Byrd defender since Chris Grieder's three picks against Haughton in 2020...Abraham-Miller's first quarter interception against Natchitoches Central set the single-season interception record with six...Nicholas Peoples holds the career interception record with 10...Parkway's defense held Byrd to just 118 yards of total offense which was the Jackets' lowest offensive output since managing just 76 yards against Evangel in 2016...Byrd had more passing yards (61) than rushing yards (57) for the first time since the 2022 Calvary game (146 pass, 99 rush)...The Jackets' 57 rushing yards against the Panthers was their lowest output since gaining just 55 rushing yards against the Evangel Eagles in 2016...Byrd scored 61 points against Benton, which was its highest point total since 2013 when the Jackets beat Bastrop 63-8 in the Battle on the Border...Jontavious Mobery (157) and Desmond Simmons (120) each rushed for over 100 yards in the win over Benton...It was the second time that the Jackets had two backs rush for over 100 yards in a game...Quarterbacks Harrison Ayres and Asher Murray each threw a touchdown pass against Benton...It was the first times since 2022's Natchitoches Central game that the Jackets had two touchdown passes in a game...Abram Murray kicked two field goals (24, 25) against Benton...Murray's two field goals marked the first time since week four of the 2018 season that a Byrd kicker had two field goals in a game when Scotty Roblow booted two (42, 25) against Captain Shreve...Wingback Malachi Johnson tied a school record for rushing touchdowns in a game with five against Huntington...Johnson's performance marked the seventh time in the 119-year history of Yellow Jackets Football that a Byrd player scored five rushing touchdowns in a game...Lake Lambert had five rushing touchdowns in Byrd's 49-10 win over Alexandria in the 2022 playoffs...Johnson's 15 rushing touchdowns in 2023 were the most for a Byrd back since fullback Charlie Barham had 17 in 2018...Linebacker Sam Greer registered six double-digit tackle games in 2023, including three season-high 11 tackle games.

CAREER KICKING LEADERS

Rk.	Player (Years)	FG	PAT	Long	Points
1.	John Shaughnessy (2007-08)	18	69	56*	123
2.	David Hankins (2004-06)	16	73	49	121
3.	Jake Wyss (2012-14)	13	119	42	158
4.	Ben Eldredge (2007-09)	10	25	42	55
5.	Abram Murray (2022-23)	9	86	49	113
	Scotty Roblow (2017-18)	9	59	44	86
	Pete Dupée (2002-03)	9	49	46	76
	Morgan Burke (1991-92)	9	38	36	65
9.	Brandon Menard (2009-11)	7	96	38	117
	Jake Hanna (1924-26)	7	32		197 (24 TD)

*denotes city and school record

NOTEBOOK

BYRD UNDER BALLEW

Points Scored	Won	Loss
60+	1	0
50+	2	0
40+	5	1
30+	8	0
21+	3	5
-20	2	7
	21	13

UNIFORM TRACKER

Uniform Combo	Won	Loss
Purple pants/Purple jerseys	0	0
Purple pants/White jerseys	0	0
White pants/White jerseys	0	0
White pants/Purple jerseys	0	0
Gold pants/Purple Jerseys	0	0
Gold pants/White jerseys	0	0
	0	0

COIN TOSS TRACKER

Decision	Won	Loss
Win the toss	0	0
Lose the toss	0	0
	0	0

LSWA POLL

(9/3/24)

Rk	Team	W-L	Pts	PR
1.	Ruston (9)	0-0	140	
2.	Karr (1)	0-0	125	
3.	Acadiana (2)	0-0	122	
4.	Catholic-Baton Rouge	0-0	105	
5.	Destrehan	0-0	93	
6.	Zachary	0-0	82	
7.	John Curtis	0-0	72	
8.	Neville	0-0	31	
9.	Carencro	0-0	25	
10.	St. Augustine	0-0	22	

Others receiving votes: West Monroe 20, Airline 20, Alexandria 15, Archbishop Rummel 15, Holy Cross 8, Mandeville 8, Central 7, Brother Martin 7, Dutchtown 5, Southside 5, Evangel 4, Terrebonne 1, Walker 1.

GEAUX PREPS POLL

(8/17/24)

Rk	Team	W-L
1.	Ruston	0-0
2.	Edna Karr	0-0
3.	Catholic-Baton Rouge	0-0
4.	John Curtis	0-0
5.	Zachary	0-0
6.	Acadiana	0-0
7.	Destrehan	0-0
8.	Neville	0-0
9.	Dutchtown	0-0
10.	West Monroe	0-0

First Five Out: Carencro, Rummel, Brother Martin, Central, Evangel

CCS POLL

(8/29/24)

Rk	Team	W-L
1.	Ruston	0-0
2.	Catholic-Baton Rouge	0-0
3.	Karr	0-0
4.	John Curtis Christian	0-0
5.	Acadiana	0-0
6.	Zachary	0-0
7.	Destrehan	0-0
8.	Archbishop Rummel	0-0
9.	Brother Martin	0-0
10.	Warren Easton	0-0

Others to watch: Central, Neville, Mandeville, Dutchtown, Carencro, St. Augustine, West Monroe, St. Paul's, Southside, Alexandria, Airline, Evangel, Holy Cross, Jesuit, Walker, Northshore, Ponchatoula, Benton, Byrd, Ouachita Parish, Captain Shreve, East St. John, John Ehret, Hahnville

BYRD BLASTS

Outlook for 100th Season of Byrd Football

In the 100th year of Byrd Football (120th combined), re-establishing its winning tradition will be the focus of the 2024 Yellow Jackets football team. After finishing the 2023 season with a 4-7 record, the first losing season for coach Stacy Ballew, getting back to playing tough, physical, fundamentally sound, disciplined football, in laymen terms "Byrd Football," will be paramount for a successful 2024 campaign. Having 12 returning starters should give the Yellow Jackets a solid foundation in which to rebuild that winning tradition. However, Byrd faces a daunting schedule in 2024. The Jackets have long non-district road trips to St. Amant to start the season and in week three at John Ehret, while dealing with the always tough and highly competitive District 1-5A, which got even stronger with the addition of Evangel and Huntington in 2024. Staying healthy will be a key component to re-establishing the tradition of "Byrd Football."

Simmons Was No Sleeper

Fullback Desmond Simmons split time with Dixon Poirier in 2023 until Poirier suffered a season-ending injury against Captain Shreve. In Byrd's 61-35 win over Benton, Simmons had 18 carries for 120 yards and a touchdown. Against Airline, he had 28 carries for 205 yards, both career highs. Simmons was the first Byrd back to rush for over 205 yards since Lake Lambert rushed for 267 yards against Alexandria in last year's regional playoff game. Simmons burst onto the scene in Byrd's 58-0 win over Southwood in 2022 by rushing for a game-high 106 yards and scoring four touchdowns, including a 64 scamper. Simmons finished the 2023 season with 680 rushing yards, two touchdowns and averaged 4.6 yards per carry. He was a Second-Team All-District selection.

Harrison Painted A Pretty Picture

Junior Harrison Ayres was the Jackets' starting tight end at the beginning of the season but took over as Byrd's starting quarterback against Captain Shreve. Ayres posted a 4-4 record in the eight games he started in 2023. In those eight games, Ayres helped lead Byrd's ground attack to average 299.3 rushing yards and 29.0 points per game. He finished the season with 69 carries for 340 yards and four touchdowns. He was also 2-of-5 passing for 76 yards and a touchdown on the year. Ayres saw playing time at tight end, quarterback and fullback in 2023.

Highlight Reel Runs From Hilliard

Wing back Quinton Hilliard seemingly provided a full array of highlight reel clips every time he touched the ball in 2023. Hilliard, who also plays basketball at Byrd, averaged 9.3 yards per carry and scored a touchdown every five carries. Hilliard was the highlight of the Byrd's 27-10 loss to Pleasant Grove. He had a game-high 109 rushing yards on just six carries. In the third quarter, he had a dazzling 55-yard scamper that eventually led to Byrd's first touchdown. Most everyone, including the Byrd coaching staff, believed that Hilliard had scored on the long run because he was hit and tackled into the end zone by a pair of Pleasant Grove defenders. However, the officials ruled Hilliard down at the half-yard line. Byrd was forced to call a timeout because the extra-point unit was already lining up for the PAT. Hilliard had a spectacular 15-yard touchdown run against Benton as he took a toss around the right end, raced down the sidelines before leaping from the four-yard line into the end zone for the touchdown, his first as a Yellow Jacket. Against Airline, Hilliard showed off his speed on a incredible 14-yard touchdown run. He had his first multi-touchdown performance (2) against Southwood, then followed that performance with two touchdown runs against Natchitoches Central.

Taking It To the Maxie

The newest face in the Jackets' backfield this season is wingback Christian Maxie. The sophomore steps into the starting role opposite of senior Quinton Hilliard. Since turning heads in the spring game against Neville, Maxie has emerged as a big play threat in Byrd's multi-option attack.

The 2024 Schedule, Polls and More

Eight of the 10 opponents on Byrd's 2024 schedule advanced to the playoffs in 2023. Byrd's two non-district opponents this season, St. Amant and John Ehret, both advanced to the regional round of the playoffs last season. The defending Non-Select Div. I Champion Ruston Bearcats, who the Yellow Jackets faced in the scrimmage, are the unanimous No. 1 ranked team in the Louisiana Sports Writers Association, GeauxPreps.com and CrescentCitySports polls. The Airline Vikings were the top vote getters with 20 of teams just outside the LSWA's Top 10. The Evangel Eagles received four votes in the LSWA poll, were among "the first five out," in the GeauxPreps poll and among the "others to watch" in the CCS poll. Airline, Benton, Byrd and Captain Shreve were also among the list of "others to watch" in the CCS poll.

CAREER RUSHING LEADERS

Rk.	Player (Years)	Carries	Yards	TDs
1.	Justan Gibson (2004-06)	497	3747	47
2.	Arlenzia Jackson (1987-89)	791	3085	31
3.	Brandon Nightingale (1998-00)	477	3044	42
4.	Amaz Battle (1995-98)	277	2614	49
5.	Charlie Barham (2016-18)	446	2361	28
6.	John Martin Anthony (2006-08)	355	2331	19
7.	Duan Maiden (1990-92)	424	2261	24
8.	Richard Carthon (2008-11)	301	2152	44
9.	Marques Ashley (1994-96)	324	1944	20
10.	Xavier Long (2010-12)	356	1897	27

NOTEBOOK

BYRD TRENDS

Byrd's Record in the months of...	2024	Ballew
August	0-0	0-0
September	0-0	9-5
October	0-0	8-5
November	0-0	4-3
December	0-0	0-0
	0-0	21-13
Byrd's Non-District Record...	2024	Ballew
at home	0-0	3-2
on the road	0-0	2-1
neutral	0-0	1-0
Byrd's District Record...	2024	Ballew
at home	0-0	7-4
on the road	0-0	7-3
neutral	0-0	0-0
Byrd's Playoff Record	2024	Ballew
at home	0-0	1-1
on the road	0-0	0-2
neutral	0-0	0-0
Byrd's Record in Games...	2024	Ballew
Decided by 7 pts or less	0-0	2-1
Decided by 3 pts or less	0-0	2-1
Homecomings	0-0	1-2
Away at night	0-0	9-6
Away during the day	0-0	0-0
Home at night	0-0	10-7
Home during the day	0-0	1-0
Neutral at night	0-0	1-0
Neutral during the day	0-0	0-0
Thursdays	0-0	9-5
Fridays	0-0	12-8
Saturdays	0-0	0-0
Sundays	0-0	0-0
Byrd's Record When...	2024	Ballew
Leading after the 1st quarter	0-0	16-3
Tied after the 1st quarter	0-0	2-3
Leading after the 2nd quarter	0-0	19-2
Tied after the 2nd quarter	0-0	1-0
Leading after the 3rd quarter	0-0	19-1
Tied after the 3rd quarter	0-0	1-0
Trailing after the 1st quarter	0-0	1-7
Trailing after the 2nd quarter	0-0	0-11
Trailing after the 3rd quarter	0-0	0-12
In Overtime games	0-0	0-0
Byrd's Record When Allowing	2024	Ballew
14 or fewer points	0-0	11-0
24 or fewer points	0-0	7-4
25+ points	0-0	3-9
Less than 200 total yards	0-0	5-0
Less than 300 total yards	0-0	7-3
Less than 400 total yards	0-0	6-2
400+ total yards	0-0	4-8
100+ yards rushing	0-0	10-11
200+ yards passing	0-0	6-6
A 100-yard rusher	0-0	7-10
A 200-yard passer	0-0	6-6
A 100-yard receiver	0-0	7-6

JAMBOREE STATS

Byrd	7	6	-- 13
Shreve	13	7	-- 20

BHS - Quinton Hilliard 24 run (Asher Murray kick)
 CS - Car'darrian Devers 64 pass from Brodie Savage (pass failed)
 CS - Jamarcea Plater 3 run (Zane Wyss kick)
 CS - Plater 6 run (Wyss kick)
 BHS - Collin Deere 6 run (pass failed)

Individual Leaders

Rushing - BHS: Christian Maxie 5-67, Hilliard 3-48, Deere 11-37, Harrison Ayres 4(-4); CS: Plater 14-86, Savage 5(-6).

Passing - BHS: Ayres 1-3-0 41; Savage 2-7-0 122

Receiving - BHS: Alex Schoonover 1-41; CS: Devers 1-64, DJ Waldon 1-58.

BYRD BANTER

Some Love for the Offensive Line

The guys in the trenches, particularly the offensive linemen, don't often receive the same love, attention and notoriety that skill position players do. Generally, the only time an offensive linemen is recognized is when his number is called after committing a penalty. Despite lacking experience and size, Byrd's offensive line performed admirably in 2023. The O-line paved the way for the Jackets' offense to average 303.8 yards of total offense and 27.8 points per game. Despite suffering an ankle injury the week of the Jesuit game, guard Noah Slaughter was Byrd's lone First-Team All-District Selection. With Slaughter's selection, Byrd has had at least one First-Team All-District offensive lineman for 13 consecutive seasons. Since 1993, 37 Yellow Jackets' offensive linemen have named First-Team All-District. Tackle Dylan Gillie was a Second-Team All-District selection. Tanner Murrell, Jacob Martin, Elijah Chembles, Ayden Boutte and Mason Coenen all saw significant playing time in 2023 and return for the 2024 season.

Oh Deere

Another fresh face and name in the Jackets' backfield this season is fullback Collin Deere. The sophomore has carried the payload for the Jackets in the preseason due to starter Desmond Simmons being sidelined with an undisclosed illness. Simmons is expected to be ready for the opener against St. Amant. At 6'1", 224 pounds, Deere along with Simmons gives Byrd a formidable tandem at the full-back spot heading into the season. Deere rushed for 37 yards and a touchdown in the Jamboree.

Sam I Am

Senior linebacker Sam Greer was one of the bright spots for Byrd's Purple Swarm Defense in 2023. Greer had 11 total tackles, including six solo stops, a tackle-for-loss, a half sack, an interception, a forced fumble and a fumble recovery against Natchitoches Central. His 11 total tackles against the Chiefs matched a season-high, which he did two previous times. Greer registered six double-digit tackle games last season. He finished the season as the team's leading tackler with 98 total tackles, which ranks eighth on the single-season tackles list. Greer also had 10 tackles-for-loss, two forced fumbles, a fumble recovery and an interception on the season. He was a Second-Team All-District selection.

Kaiden Picks Off Record

Junior defensive back Kaiden Abraham-Miller displayed a knack for picking off passes last season. Abraham-Miller's first quarter interception against Natchitoches Central was his sixth pick of the season and set the single-season school record, which he previously shared with Nicholas Peoples, who had five in 2010 and 2011, and Luther Dallas, who have five in 2015. In 2024, Abraham-Miller will have a chance at Peoples' career record of 10 interceptions, which he set from 2009-11. Abraham-Miller had a career-high two interceptions against Southwood. He nearly had a second two-pick game against Natchitoches Central, but it was wiped away due to a penalty against Byrd.

Ja'Cari Jumps Into the Fray

Junior defensive back Ja'Cari Williams really jumped into the fray during the 2023 season. Williams' first significant action came against Captain Shreve, when he had five total tackles, including three solo stops. His had a personal-best seven tackles in Byrd's 31-28 win over Houghton. Against Airline, Williams had four total tackles but really stood out on special teams as he had three kickoff returns for 59 yards, including a long of 33. He finished the 2023 season with 35 total tackles, including 23 solo tackles, and two pass breakups.

Remembering a Pair of Jacket Legends

Dr. William S. "Billy" Bundrick, Sr., passed away on Dec. 9, 2023. Bundrick was an All-State end at Byrd in 1954, All-District and All-City running back in 1955 and an All-District performer on Byrd's 1956 State Championship baseball team. He was elected to the Byrd Athletics Hall of Fam in 1992. August 15, 2024, marked 37 years since the passing of Byrd great Dan Sandifer. Sandifer was one of the first Shreveporters to play in the NFL, where he made an immediate impact with a league record for interceptions by a rookie (13). His six-year professional football career included stops in Washington, Green Bay, Philadelphia and Chicago. Sandifer played collegiately at LSU.

A Look Ahead

The C.E. Byrd Yellow Jackets will play their home and District 1-5A opener on Friday, Sept. 13, against the Houghton Buccaneers and their new head coach Matthew Sewell. Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. at Lee Hedges Stadium

CAREER PASSING LEADERS

Rk.	Player (Years)	Att	Comp	Int	Yds	TDs
1.	Leon Murray (1992-94)	502	242	27	3493	25
2.	James Johnson (1971)	458	206	25	3442	25
3.	Mark Leonard (1978)	540	236	40	2969	20
4.	Arnaz Battle (1995-97)	227	112	9	2346	27
5.	David Woodley (1975)	355	131	25	2009	12
6.	Collier Thornton (1990-91)	268	121	15	1895	9
7.	Clint Bickham (2006-08)	169	89	10	1605	13
8.	Kenny Jones (1986)	445	154	29	1587	9
9.	David Brookings (1966)	233	95	26	1464	17
10.	Lake Lambert (2020-22)	146	76	2	1447	11

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INDIVIDUAL GAME RUSHING PERFORMANCES

Player	Carries	Yards
1. Charles Ball vs. Huntington (1990)	24	407
2. Richard Gay vs. Springhill (1954)	31	364
3. Jalin Thomas vs. Parkway (2017)	27	342
4. Brandon Nightingale vs. Evangel (2000)	21	323
5. Marion Songer vs. Bolton (1953)	16	296
6. Lake Lambert vs. Alexandria (2022)	8	267
7. Justan Gibson vs. Captain Shreve (2004)	21	255
8. Charlie Barham vs. Captain Shreve (2018)	29	248
9. Charlie Barham vs. Calvary (2018)	14	243
10. Brandon Nightingale vs. Ouachita (2000)	24	241
11. Jerome Bryant vs. BTW (1981)	15	240
12. Brittain White vs. Airline (2007)	25	226
13. Justan Gibson vs. Ouachita (2005)	25	224
14. Justan Gibson vs. Huntington (2005)	20	214
15. Amaz Battle vs. Airline (1996)	9	211
16. Duan Maiden vs. Fair Park (1992)	36	211
17. Justan Gibson vs. Holy Cross (2005)	24	210
Jethrie Thornton vs. El Dorado, AR (1984)	20	210

INDIVIDUAL GAME PASSING PERFORMANCES

Player	C-A	Yds
1. James Johnson vs. Captain Shreve (1971)	12-24	330
2. Leon Murray vs. Huntington (1994)	14-17	288
3. Collier Thornton vs. Bossier (1991)	11-26	285
4. James Johnson vs. Westlake (1971)	13-21	261
5. Leon Murray vs. Ruston (1993, P)	10-15	260
6. Amaz Battle vs. Airline (1995)	4-6	226
7. James Johnson vs. Parkway (1970)	9-16	221
8. Leon Murray vs. Airline (1994)	10-20	215
9. James Johnson vs. Ruston (1970)	16-32	211
10. Mark Leonard vs. Fair Park (1978)	18-27	211
11. James Johnson vs. Southwood (1970)	13-26	210
12. Alex Walton vs. Southwood (2009)	14-29	209
13. Leon Murray vs. Natchitoches (1994)	10-22	208
14. Leon Murray vs. Captain Shreve (1994)	14-28	206
15. Collier Thornton vs. West Monroe (1991)	11-20	204
16. Mark Leonard vs. West Monroe (1978)	14-29	202

INDIVIDUAL GAME RECEIVING PERFORMANCES

Player	Rec	Yds
1. Kevin Stevenson vs. Airline (1995)	3	210
2. Bo Flurry vs. Huntington (1994)	6	180
3. Chris Beard vs. Ruston (1994, P)	7	169
4. Isaac Hagins vs. Woodlawn (1970)	7	145
5. Henry Hill vs. Marshall, TX (1980)	6	140
6. Billy Boswell vs. Marshall, TX (1977)	6	138
7. Zarrell Sanders vs. Natchitoches (2007)	6	137
8. Keven Stevenson vs. Natchitoches (1994)	3	129
9. Isaac Hagins vs. Airline (1971)	6	127
Isaac Hagins vs. Westlake (1971)	8	127
11. Isaac Hagins vs. Captain Shreve (1971)	4	126
12. Chris Beard vs. Natchitoches (1993)	4	124
13. Robert Dowell vs. Airline (1994)	2	122
14. Joey Jemigan vs. Green Oaks (2015)	3	118
15. John Martin Anthony vs. Ouachita (2008)	5	113
Robert McCoy vs. West Monroe (1991)	5	113
17. Brandon Hudgens vs. Tioga (2010)	2	111
Isaac Hagins vs. Southwood (1970)	4	111

TEAM GAME RUSHING PERFORMANCES

Opponent (Year)	Carries	Yards	TD
1. Evangel (2000)	46	582	6
2. Ouachita (1964)		534	
3. Parkway (2021)	52	512	5
4. Alexandria (2022)	31	475	7
5. New Iberia (2010)	46	467	3
6. Benton (2023)	53	466	6
7. West Jefferson (2011, P)	53	465	7
8. Captain Shreve (2018)	59	462	4
9. Calvary (2015)	57	455	7
10. Huntington (2021)	55	442	5
11. Huntington (2008)	51	439	6
12. Southwood (2017)	54	428	6
13. Huntington (1990)	39	423	4
14. Benton (2021)	50	421	5
15. Airline (2021)	48	412	7
16. Natchitoches Central (2009)	40	402	6
17. Parkway (1997)	39	399	6
18. Haughton (2013)	53	398	5

JACKET JARGON

Scouting St. Amant

After finishing 10-2 in 2023, which included a 4-1 record in district play, the St. Amant Gators are looking to build upon last season's success. The Gators return nine starters, including quarterback Cooper Babin, running back Tyree Williams as well as wide receivers Jermichael Millien, Kaven Taylor and Timothy Jackson. St. Amant has a new offensive coordinator in Jay Dykes, whose son Wesley is a starting inside linebacker. Defensive coordinator Seth Babin's son Cooper, is the Gators' starting quarterback. St. Amant shut out Assumption 28-0 in last week's Jamboree.

Once a Citizen, Always a Citizen

C.E. Byrd High School is Shreveport's oldest public high school, and is often referred to as the "City of Byrd." In 2025, Byrd will celebrate its centennial. This is the 100th season of Byrd Yellow Jackets Football. The Byrd Alumni Associations boasts that it is one of the largest alumni organizations in the nation. In addition to head coach Stacy Ballew, there's six other members of the coaching staff who are citizens of the City of Byrd and played football for the Yellow Jackets. They are as follows: Ronnie Buckingham (2004), Rahkeem Mitchell (2009), Jalen Bowers (2013), Carlos Doss (2017), Shimorye Hampton (2017) and Seth Guerra (2022).

Alumni Report

Former Byrd Yellow Jackets in the collegiate ranks in 2024 are as follows: punter Scotty Roblow and long snapper Sawyer Benson at Northwestern State University, offensive lineman Carson Bruno at Texas Christian University, wide receiver Jackson Dufrene at Nicholls State University, linebacker Devon Strickland at Centenary College and quarterback J.D. Gallman at Ouachita Baptist University.

Over the Airwaves

Byrd football has been broadcast live on The Tiger (KWKH) for 30 years. Charlie Cavell is in his 27th season behind the microphone as the play-by-play "Voice of the Byrd Yellow Jackets." Dr. Kirk Martinson is the color analyst, while former Jacket Dominic Wilson provides sideline reports. Marc Weddleton and Chad Ardoin are the statisticians. Byrd Football can be heard on AM 1130 and FM 103.3 The Tiger or by visiting 1130thetiger.com and clicking on the Listen Live button. By downloading the 1130 The Tiger app fans can listen to Byrd Football anywhere.

Legendary Lee Hedges

When Byrd and Shreve met last Saturday in the 2024 Jamboree it marked the return of football to Lee Hedges Stadium, which is named in honor of legendary football coach Lee Hedges, who passed away on July 9, 2023, at the age of 93. Hedges had dedicated his life to teaching and mentoring young people in Shreveport. He is best known for guiding the 1973 Captain Shreve Gators to a perfect 14-0 record and the State Championship. However, Shreve was not the only Shreveport school where he was successful. A three-sport star at Fair Park, Hedges would begin his legendary coaching career at arch-rival Byrd as the Jackets' head coach in 1956. He led Byrd to the state title game that first season, losing to the Istrouma Indians, 14-7. After four years on Line Avenue, Hedges moved to newly opened Woodlawn in 1960. He had tremendous success with the Knights, leading them to the 1965 state championship game. Hedges' 217 career wins are the most for any coach in the history of Cad-do-Bossier football.

From One Brother to Another

Last year, Byrd's place kicker and punter was Abram Murray, who is now kicking for the University of Miami Hurricanes. Abram's younger brother, Asher, who saw considerable time at quarterback for the Jackets in 2023, has decided to focus solely on kicking this season. The elder Murray averaged 40.1 yards per punt and had 11 punts downed inside the 20-yard line last season. He had seven punts of over 50 yards, including a career-long punt of 68 yards against Parkway. Going back to 2022's playoff game against John Curtis where he had two punts of over 60 yards (66, 63), Abram had 10 career punts of over 50 yards to his credit. His 52.8 yards per punt average against Captain Shreve set a single-game school record. He also holds the career punting average record with a 39.9 yards per punt average. Abram finished his career in four-way tie for fifth place on the career Top 10 field goals list at Byrd with nine career made field goals. In 2023, Abram was 38-for-39 on PAT kicks, and had 42 of his 53 kickoffs resulted in touchbacks. Abram participated in the LHSCA & LFCA "I-20 Bowl" all-star game was named the Second-Team All-District punter. He also was named to the LHSCA's Composite Academic All-State Team with a grade point average of 4.0 or better. To say that Asher has big shoes to fill would be quite the understatement.

CAREER TACKLES LEADERS (SINCE 2002)

Rk.	Player (Years)	U	A	Total
1.	Paul Dupée (2005-07)	151	114	265
2.	Brooks Brossette (2020-22)	181	52	233
3.	Scotty Dickson (2006-08)	149	79	228
4.	Jonathan Stewart (2006-08)	131	82	213
5.	Pat Thomas (2004-06)	116	87	203
6.	Travis Gibson (2008-10)	138	48	186
7.	Will Anglin (2009-11)	143	30	173
8.	Brayden Hermes (2018-20)	130	38	168
9.	Krishun Cash (2012-14)	128	39	167
10.	Roger Goorley (2002-03)	96	58	154

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED**Kickoff Return for TD**

Byrd: 61, Christian Jones vs. Southwood, 10/28/22
 Opp: 77, Albert Quest, St. Augustine, 11/14/19

Punt Return for TD

Byrd: 79, Mitchell Ramsey vs. Maumelle, Ark., 9/16/21
 Opp: 44, Cade Stone, West Monroe, 9/1/12

Blocked Punt Return for TD

Byrd: 12, Krishun Cash vs. Captain Shreve, 10/17/14
 Opp: 0, T Gaines, Moss Point, 9/9/17

Interception Return for TD

Byrd: 35, Brooks Brossette vs. Airline, 10/20/22
 Opp: 40, Sawyer Simmons Benton, 9/30/22

Fumble Recovery Return for TD

Byrd: 70, Jude Partington vs. Benton, 9/30/22
 Opp: 0, Team, Calvary, 9/14/23

Safety Recorded

Byrd: Team, ball out of end zone vs. Jesuit, 11/10/23
 Opp: Team, punter tackled in end zone, Natchitoches Central, 10/1/21

Shutout at Home

Byrd: 41-0 vs. Southwood, 10/5/18
 Opp: 24-0 vs. West Monroe, 9/13/19 (neutral site)

Shutout on Road

Byrd: 58-0 at Southwood, 10/28/22
 Opp: 28-0 at Brother Martin, 9/6/19

Recorded A 2-Point Conversion

Byrd: Devon Strickland rush vs. Captain Shreve, 9/22/22
 Opp: Ben Taylor rush, Airline, 10/20/23

Blocked A Punt

Byrd: Team vs. Southwood, 10/27/23
 Opp: Laterious Pouncy, Airline, 11/18/11

Blocked A Field Goal or Extra Point

Byrd: Team vs. Airline, PAT, 10/20/23
 Opp: Team, Airline, FG, 10/20/23

Missed An Extra Point Kick

Byrd: 1, Abram Murray vs. Benton, 9/28/23
 Opp: 1, Ethan Cabos, Jesuit, 11/10/23

100-Yard Rushing Game

Byrd: 161, Malachi Johnson vs. Natchitoches, 11/4/23
 Opp: 177, Patrick Berrigan, Jesuit, 11/10/23

200-Yard Rushing Game

Byrd: 205, Desmond Simmons vs. Airline, 10/20/23
 Opp: 219, Joshua Ware, Southwood, 11/4/21

300-Yard Rushing Game

Byrd: 342, Jalin Thomas vs. Parkway, 10/13/17
 Opp: None

100-Yard Passing Game

Byrd: 146, Lake Lambert vs. Calvary, 9/15/22
 Opp: 111, Kaleb Williams, Parkway, 10/12/23

200-Yard Passing Game

Byrd: 209, Alex Walton vs. Southwood, 9/24/09
 Opp: 248, Owen Smith, Natchitoches, 11/4/23

300-Yard Passing Game

Byrd: 330, James Johnson vs. Captain Shreve, 1971
 Opp: 364, Ben Taylor, Airline, 10/20/23

500-Yard Passing Game

Opp: 516, Gray Walters, Benton, 9/30/22

100-Yard Receiving Game

Byrd: 118, Joey Jernigan vs. Green Oaks, 10/22/15
 Opp: 168, Dillon Braxton, Natchitoches, 11/4/23

200-Yard Receiving Game

Byrd: 210, Kevin Stevenson vs. Airline, 1995
 Opp: 267, Pearce Russell, Benton, 9/30/22

60+ Yard Punt

Byrd: 65, Abram Murray vs. Captain Shreve, 9/21/23
 Opp: 61, Joe Bordelon, Alexandria, 11/18/22

40+ Yard Field Goal

Byrd: 45, Abram Murray vs. Pleasant Grove, 9/1/23
 Opp: 42, Mateo Restrepo, Natchitoches Central, 11/4/22

50+ Yard Field Goal

Byrd: 56*, John Shaughnessy vs. Airline (P), 11/14/08

3 TDs Scored In A Game (Rush, Pass, Receiving, Return)

Byrd: Malachi Johnson, (3 rush) vs. Houghton, 10/6/23
 Opp: Jeff King, (3 pass), Benton, 9/28/23

4 TDs Scored In A Game (Rush, Pass, Receiving, Return)

Byrd: Desmond Simmons, (4 rush) vs. Southwood, 10/28/22
 Opp: Ben Taylor, (4 pass) Airline, 10/20/23

5+ TDs Scored In A Game (Rush, Pass, Receiving, Return)

Byrd: Malachi Johnson, (5 rush) vs. Huntington, 9/7/23
 Opp: Abram Wardell, (4 pass, 1 rush), Calvary, 9/14/23

Three Rushing TDs In A Game

Byrd: Malachi Johnson vs. Houghton, 10/6/23
 Opp: Mahmood Bailey, St. Augustine, 11/14/19

Four Rushing TDs In A Game

Byrd: Desmond Simmons vs. Southwood, 10/28/22
 Opp: Torey Lambert, Brother Martin, 11/19/21

Five Rushing TDs In A Game

Byrd: Malachi Johnson vs. Huntington, 9/7/23
 Opp: None

Three Passing TDs In A Game

Byrd: Amaz Battle vs. Airline, 1995
 Opp: Jeff King, Benton, 9/28/23

Three Receiving TDs In A Game

Byrd: Kevin Stevenson vs. Airline, 1995
 Opp: Kaleb Tucker, Huntington, 9/7/23

Four Passing TDs In A Game

Byrd: Amaz Battle vs. Airline, 1995
 Opp: Ben Taylor, Airline, 10/20/23

Four Receiving TDs In A Game

Byrd: None
 Opp: Pearce Russell, Benton, 9/30/22

Five+ Passing TDs In A Game

Opp: Gray Walters (8), Benton, 9/30/22

TD Run 50-59 Yards

Byrd: 54, Malachi Johnson vs. Huntington, 9/7/23
 Opp: 54, Jalen Abraham, Evangel, 11/16/18

TD Run 60-69 Yards

Byrd: 62 & 60, Malachi Johnson vs. Houghton, 10/6/23
 Opp: 66, Jamarlon Otis, Captain Shreve, 9/21/23

TD Run 70-79 Yards

Byrd: 70, Javien Wilson vs. Southwood, 10/14/16
 Opp: 74, Joshua Ware, Southwood, 11/4/21

TD Run 80-89 Yards

Byrd: 87, Mitchell Ramsey vs. Parkway, 10/7/21
 Opp: 80, Chris Smith, Brother Martin, 9/6/19

TD Run 90-99 Yards

Byrd: 97, Lake Lambert vs. Alexandria, 11/18/22
 Opp: 96, Caylin Demars, Natchitoches, 10/3/19

TD Pass 50-59 Yards

Byrd: 57, Lake Lambert to Jackson Dufrene vs. Benton, 9/30/22
 Opp: 53, Abram Wardell to Aubrey Hermes, Calvary, 9/14/23

TD Pass 60-69 Yards

Byrd: 65, Cameron Felt to William Berry vs. St. Augustine, 11/14/19
 Opp: 62, Lorenzo White to Kaleb Tucker, Huntington, 9/7/23

TD Pass 70-79 Yards

Byrd: 70, Lake Lambert to William Berry vs. East Ascension, 10/30/20
 Opp: 75, Owen Smith to Dillon Braxton, Natchitoches, 11/4/23

TD Pass 80-89 Yards

Byrd: 84, Amaz Battle to Kevin Stevenson vs. Airline, 1995
 Opp: 80, Jeff King to Trey Smith, Benton, 9/28/23

TD Pass 90-99 Yards

Byrd: 98, Edgar Galloway to Dale Sandifer vs. Ruston, 1950
 Opp: 90, Darius Grant to Laderrien Frierson, Captain Shreve, 9/27/18

* City & School records

POINTS OFF TURNOVERS

Byrd-Forced Turnovers

Game 1 • St. Amant Gators

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result

Game 2 • Haughton Buccaneers

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result

Game 3 • Evangel Eagles

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result

Game 4 • John Ehret Patriots

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result

Game 5 • Parkway Panthers

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result

Game 6 • Huntington Ralders

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result
None

Game 7 • Natchitoches Central Chiefs

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result
None

Game 8 • Benton Tigers

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result

Game 9 • Airline Vikings

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result

Game 10 • Captain Shreve Gators

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result

2024 Season Totals: 0 Forced Turnovers – 0 TD, 0 FG, 0 Missed FGs, 0 Punts, 0 Turnovers, 0 End of Half, 0 Downs

Opponents-Forced Turnovers

Game 1 • St. Amant Gators

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result

Game 2 • Haughton Buccaneers

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result

Game 3 • Evangel Eagles

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result

Game 4 • John Ehret Patriots

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result

Game 5 • Parkway Panthers

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result

Game 6 • Huntington Ralders

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result
None

Game 7 • Natchitoches Central Chiefs

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result
None

Game 8 • Benton Tigers

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result

Game 9 • Airline Vikings

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result

Game 10 • Captain Shreve Gators

Acquired Ensuing Drive Result

2024 Season Totals: 0 Forced Turnovers – 0 TD, 0 FG, 0 Missed FGs, 0 Punts, 0 Turnovers, 0 End of Half, 0 Downs

PLAYOFF RESULTS SINCE 1998

1998	L, 0-52 at West Monroe	W, 14-10 at Holy Cross	
2000	L, 27-30 vs. Neville	L, 22-23 vs. Rummel	
2002	W, 27-7 vs. Jesuit	(Div. I State Championship)	
	W, 24-7 at Catholic - BR	2014	W, 35-6 vs. Fontainebleau
	L, 20-21 OT vs. Rummel		W, 37-20 vs. East Ascension
2005	W, 28-22 vs. Holy Cross		L, 7-19 at West Monroe
	L, 6-49 at Acadiana	2015	W, 45-9 vs. Fontainebleau
2006	W, 34-28 at John Ehret		L, 41-47 vs. Landry-Walker
	L, 15-42 vs. Acadiana	2016	L, 15-27 at St. Augustine
2007	W, 24-21 vs. Captain Shreve		L, 28-55 vs. Rummel
	L, 3-27 at John Ehret	2018	L, 37-17 vs. Evangel
2008	W, 13-0 vs. Airline		L, 45-40 at St. Augustine
	L, 7-20 at Ouachita	2020	W, 31-14 vs. St. Augustine
2010	L, 13-44 at Ouachita		W, 14-13 vs. Joh Curtis
2011	W, 56-21 vs. West Jefferson		L, 35-12 vs. Catholic of Baton Rouge
	W, 35-24 at Airline		(Div. I State Championship awarded to Byrd)
	W, 35-24 vs. Rummel	2021	L, 45-14 vs. Brother Martin
	L, 21-34 at Carencro	2022	W, 49-10 vs. Alexandria
2012	W, 41-13 vs. Natchitoches		L, 35-14 at John Curtis
	L, 21-38 at Barbe	2023	L, 23-2 at Jesuit Blue Jays
2013	W, 24-0 vs. Shaw		

JACKETS IN PLAYOFFS

FINALS	SEMIS	QUARTERS	SECOND	FIRST
1926	1964	1960	1970	1993
1930	2011	2002	1971	1995
1931		2014	2005	1996
1933		2018	2006	1997
1934		2021	2007	1998
1935		2022	2008	2000
1937			2012	2010
1943			2015	2016
1949				2017
1953				2019
1956				2023
1962				
2013				
2020				

OPPONENT'S RESULTS**ST. AMANT GATORS** 

9/6 vs. Byrd 7 PM
 9/13 at Cecilia 7 PM
 9/19 vs. Kennedy 7 PM
 9/27 at Scotlandville..... 7 PM
 10/4 at Dutchtown* 7 PM
 10/11 vs. Walker* 7 PM
 10/18 at East Ascension* 7 PM
 10/25 vs. Live Oak* 7 PM
 11/1 at Prairieville* 7 PM
 11/8 vs. Denham Springs* 7 PM

HAUGHTON BUCCANEERS 

9/6 vs. Homer..... 7 PM
 9/13 at Byrd* 7 PM
 9/20 vs. Parkway* 7 PM
 9/27 at Huntington* 7 PM
 10/4 vs. Natchitoches* 7 PM
 10/10 at Benton* 7 PM
 10/18 vs. Airline* 7 PM
 10/25 at Evangel* 7 PM
 11/1 vs. Captain Shreve* 7 PM
 11/8 vs. St. Louis..... 7 PM

EVANGEL EAGLES 

9/6 vs. Neville..... 7 PM
 9/13 at Natchitoches* 7 PM
 9/20 vs. Byrd* 7 PM
 9/27 at Airline* 7 PM
 10/4 vs. Huntington* 7 PM
 10/10 at Captain Shreve* 7 PM
 10/18 vs. Benton* 7 PM
 10/25 vs. Haughton* 7 PM
 11/1 vs. Lafayette Christian 7 PM
 11/7 at Parkway* 7 PM

JOHN EHRET PATRIOTS 

9/5 vs. Chalmette 6:30 PM
 9/13 at Vandebilt 7 PM
 9/20 at Landry-Walker 7 PM
 9/27 vs. Byrd 7 PM
 10/3 at Kennedy 7 PM
 10/10 vs. Riverdale* 6:30 PM
 10/18 at Bonnabel* 7 PM
 10/25 vs. East Jefferson* 7 PM
 11/1 at L.W. Higgins* 7 PM
 11/9 at West Jefferson* 11 AM

PARKWAY PANTHERS 

9/6 vs. Carroll..... 7 PM
 9/13 vs. Woodlawn 7 PM
 9/20 at Haughton* 7 PM
 9/27 at Natchitoches* 7 PM
 10/3 vs. Byrd* 7 PM
 10/11 at Airline* 7 PM
 10/18 vs. Huntington* 7 PM
 10/25 at Captain Shreve* 7 PM
 11/1 vs. Benton* 7 PM
 11/7 vs. Evangel 7 PM

HUNTINGTON RAIDERS 

9/6 at West Monroe 7 PM
 9/13 vs. Captain Shreve* 7 PM
 9/20 at Benton* 7 PM
 9/27 vs. Haughton* 7 PM
 10/4 at Evangel* 7 PM
 10/11 vs. Byrd* 7 PM
 10/18 at Parkway* 7 PM
 10/25 vs. Calvary..... 7 PM
 11/1 at Natchitoches* 7 PM
 11/7 vs. Airline* 7 PM

NATCHITOCHEES CENTRAL CHIEFS 

9/6 at Breaux Bridge..... 7 PM
 9/13 vs. Evangel* 7 PM
 9/20 at Captain Shreve* 7 PM
 9/27 vs. Parkway* 7 PM
 10/4 at Haughton* 7 PM
 10/10 vs. Opelousas 7 PM
 10/18 at Byrd* 7 PM
 10/25 at Airline* 7 PM
 11/1 vs. Huntington* 7 PM
 11/8 vs. Benton* 7 PM

BENTON TIGERS 

9/5 at Northwood 7 PM
 9/13 at Airline* 7 PM
 9/20 vs. Huntington* 7 PM
 9/27 vs. Captain Shreve* 7 PM
 10/4 vs. Leesville..... 7 PM
 10/10 vs. Haughton* 7 PM
 10/18 at Evangel* 7 PM
 10/25 vs. Byrd* 7 PM
 11/1 at Parkway* 7 PM
 11/8 at Natchitoches* 7 PM

AIRLINE VIKINGS 

9/6 at Barbe 7 PM
 9/13 vs. Benton* 7 PM
 9/20 vs. Union Parish 7 PM
 9/27 vs. Evangel* 7 PM
 10/4 at Captain Shreve* 7 PM
 10/11 vs. Parkway* 7 PM
 10/18 at Haughton* 7 PM
 10/25 vs. Natchitoches* 7 PM
 11/1 at Byrd* 7 PM
 11/7 at Huntington* 7 PM

CAPTAIN SHREVE GATORS 

9/6 vs. Ouachita 7 PM
 9/13 at Huntington* 7 PM
 9/20 vs. Natchitoches* 7 PM
 9/27 at Benton* 7 PM
 10/4 vs. Airline* 7 PM
 10/10 vs. Evangel* 7 PM
 10/18 at Destrehan 7 PM
 10/25 vs. Parkway* 7 PM
 11/1 at Haughton* 7 PM
 11/7 at Byrd* 7 PM

SELECT DIVISION I GAMES

Acadiana (0-0) at Ruston (0-0)
 Alexandria (0-0) at West Feliciana (0-0)
 Ben Franklin (0-0) at Crescent City (0-0)
 Bonnabel (0-0) vs. Sophie B. Wright (0-0)
 Brother Martin (0-0) at East Ascension (0-0)
 Byrd (0-0) at St. Amant (0-0)
 Captain Shreve (0-0) vs. Ouachita (0-0)
 Carencro (0-0) vs. St. Thomas More (0-0)
 Catholic BR (0-0) at Destrehan (0-0)
 Comeaux (0-0) at South Terrebonne (0-0)
 East Jefferson (0-0) at Livonia (0-0)
 Edna Karr (0-0) at Shaw (0-0)
 Evangel (0-0) vs. Neville (0-0)
 Hammond (0-0) at Denham Springs (0-0)
 Holy Cross (0-0) at ED White (0-0)
 Huntington (0-0) at West Monroe (0-0)
 Jesuit NOLA (0-0) vs. Jesuit - Dallas (0-0)
 John Curtis (0-0) vs. Rabun Gap-Nacoochee, NC
 John Ehret (0-0) vs. Chalmette (0-0)
 L.W. Higgins (0-0) at South Plaquemines (0-0)
 Lafayette (0-0) vs. Franklin (0-0)
 Liberty (0-0) vs. Southern Lab (0-0)
 McDonogh #35 (0-0) vs. St. Augustine (0-0)
 Pineville (0-0) vs. New Iberia (0-0)
 Ponchatoula (0-0) at Walker (0-0)

SELECT DIVISION I GAMES

Riverdale (0-0) vs. Patrick Taylor (0-0)
 Rummel (0-0) vs. Lafayette Christian (0-0)
 Scotlandville (0-0) at John F. Kennedy (0-0)
 Southwood (0-0) open
 St. Augustine (0-0) at McDonogh #35 (0-0)
 St. Paul's (0-0) vs. Live Oak (0-0)
 St. Thomas More (0-0) at Carencro (0-0)
 Teurlings (0-0) at Opelousas (0-0)
 Tioga (0-0) at Sterlington (0-0)
 Warren Easton (0-0) at LB Landry (0-0)
 West Jefferson (0-0) vs. Franklin Parish (0-0)
 Woodlawn BR (0-0) vs. University (0-0)

2024 BYRD YELLOW JACKETS
(0-0)

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME / RESULTS
Fri., Sep. 6	at St. Amant Gators	The Pit (St. Amant)	7 p.m.
Fri., Sep. 13	vs. *Haughton Buccaneers	Lee Hedges Stadium	7 p.m.
Fri., Sep. 20	at *Evangel Eagles	Rodney Duron Field	7 p.m.
Fri., Sep. 27	at John Ehret Patriots	Hoss Memtsas Stadium (Harvey)	7 p.m.
Thu., Oct. 3	at *Parkway Panthers	Preston Crownover Stadium (Bossier)	7 p.m.
Fri., Oct. 11	at *Huntington Raiders	Independence Stadium (Visitor)	7 p.m.
Fri., Oct. 18	vs. *Natchitoches Central Chiefs (HC)	Lee Hedges Stadium	7 p.m.
Fri., Oct. 25	at *Benton Tigers	Tiger Stadium (Benton)	7 p.m.
Fri., Nov. 1	vs. *Airline Vikings	Lee Hedges Stadium	7 p.m.
Thu., Nov. 7	vs. *Captain Shreve Gators (SR)	Lee Heges Stadium (Home)	7 p.m.
Fri., Nov. 15	**LHSAA Select Division I Playoffs		



* - District 1-5A games
 HC - Homecoming
 SR - Senior Night
 ** - Select Division I Playoffs



SCORE BY QUARTERS

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Yellow Jackets	65	93	73	75	306
Opponents	76	136	50	67	329

SCORING

Points Per Game	27.8	29.9
Points Off Turnovers	63	55

FIRST DOWNS

Rushing	155	211
Passing	137	86
Penalty	9	98
	9	27

RUSHING YARDAGE

Yards gained rushing	3095	1478
Yards lost rushing	3365	1809
Rushing Attempts	270	331
Average Per Rush	503	334
Average Per Game	6.2	4.4
TDs Rushing	281.4	134.4
	38	20

PASSING YARDAGE

Comp-Att-Int	247	2634
Average Per Pass	12-38-3	170-276-10
Average Per Catch	6.5	9.5
Average Per Game	20.6	15.5
TDs Passing	22.5	239.5
	3	25

TOTAL OFFENSE

Total Plays	3342	4112
Average Per Play	541	610
Average Per Game	6.2	6.7
	303.8	373.8

KICK RETURNS: #-Yards

	33-459	9-237
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PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards

	8-111	14-187
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INT RETURNS: #-Yards

	10-107	3-23
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KICK RETURN AVERAGE

	13.9	26.3
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PUNT RETURN AVERAGE

	13.9	13.4
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INT RETURN AVERAGE

	10.7	7.7
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FUMBLES-LOST

	17-10	14-9
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PENALTIES-Yards

	93-823	75-579
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Average Per Game

	74.8	52.6
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PUNTS-Yards

	37-1433	24-723
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Average Per Punt

	38.7	30.1
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Net punt average

	33.1	25.5
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KICKOFFS-Yards

	56-3285	57-2481
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Average Per Kick

	58.7	43.5
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Net kick average

	38.4	30.9
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TIME OF POSSESSION/Game

	26:23	21:20
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3RD-DOWN Conversions

	41/110	48/106
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3rd-Down Pct

	37%	45%
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4TH-DOWN Conversions

	13/19	10/21
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4th-Down Pct

	68%	48%
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SACKS BY-Yards

	6-36	1-9
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MISC YARDS

	0	51
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TOUCHDOWNS SCORED

	41	46
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FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS

	6-10	3-7
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ON-SIDE KICKS

	1-1	1-3
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RED-ZONE SCORES

	(34-39) 87%	(28-35) 80%
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RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS

	(28-39) 72%	(25-35) 71%
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PAT-ATTEMPTS

	(38-39) 97%	(24-30) 80%
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2023 OFFENSIVE STATISTICS

RUSHING	GP	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
M. Johnson	10	90	958	69	889	9.9	15	62	88.9
D. Simmons	11	149	696	16	680	4.6	2	36	61.8
J. Mobery	11	40	421	6	415	10.4	4	60	37.7
H. Ayres	11	69	377	37	340	4.9	4	34	30.9
Q. Hilliard	10	30	288	10	278	9.3	6	56	27.8
D. Poirier	4	52	228	14	214	4.1	3	26	53.5
Ash. Murray	10	30	171	46	125	4.2	3	44	12.5
J.D. Gallman	11	26	157	42	115	4.4	1	50	10.5
G. Phill	1	1	44	0	44	44.0	0	44	44.0
Abr. Murray	11	1	17	0	17	17.0	0	17	1.5
M. Booras	10	3	4	1	3	1.0	0	3	0.3
T. Bow	1	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Alt. Fullwood	1	2	3	5	-2	-1.0	0	3	-2.0
TEAM	10	9	1	24	-23	-2.6	0	1	-2.3
Total.....	11	503	3365	270	3095	6.2	38	62	281.4
Opponents.....	11	334	1809	331	1478	4.4	20	66	134.4

PASSING	GP	Effic	Cmp-Att-Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Avg/G	
Ash. Murray	10	122.1	9-22-1		40.9	158	2	61	15.8
J.D. Gallman	11	-17.3	1-11-2		9.1	13	0	13	1.2
H. Ayres	11	233.7	2-5-0		40.0	76	1	52	6.9
Total.....	11	96.4	12-38-3		31.6	247	3	61	22.5
Opponents.....	11	164.4	170-276-10		61.6	2634	25	82	239.5

RECEIVING	GP	No.	Yards	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
M. Booras	10	4	109	27.2	1	61	10.9
A. Schoonover	8	4	87	21.8	1	52	10.9
J. Cooper	4	1	27	27.0	0	27	6.8
T. Bow	1	1	24	24.0	1	24	24.0
D. Poirier	4	1	13	13.0	0	13	3.2
M. Johnson	10	1	-13	-13.0	0	0	-1.3
Total.....	11	12	247	20.6	3	61	22.5
Opponents.....	11	170	2634	15.5	25	82	239.5

PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yards	Avg	TD	Long
M. Booras	6	77	12.8	0	36
TEAM	1	0	0.0	0	0
M. Johnson	1	12	12.0	0	12
Ash. Fullwood	0	22	0.0	0	22
Total.....	8	111	13.9	0	36
Opponents.....	14	187	13.4	0	37

INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yards	Avg	TD	Long
Abraham-Miller	6	50	8.3	0	25
G. Johnson	2	14	7.0	0	14
J. Logan	1	43	43.0	0	43
S. Greer	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total.....	10	107	10.7	0	43
Opponents.....	3	23	7.7	0	15

KICK RETURNS	No.	Yards	Avg	TD	Long
M. Booras	16	243	15.2	0	30
J. Williams	4	71	17.8	0	33
G. Johnson	4	43	10.8	0	20
Ash. Murray	3	50	16.7	0	21
M. Johnson	2	20	10.0	0	20
J.D. Gallman	2	29	14.5	0	17
Ash. Fullwood	1	0	0.0	0	0
H. Ayres	1	3	3.0	0	3
Total.....	33	459	13.9	0	33
Opponents.....	9	237	26.3	0	64

FUMBLE RETURNS	No.	Yards	Avg	TD	Long
Total.....	0	0	0.0	0	0
Opponents.....	0	0	0.0	1	0

SCORING	TD	|----- PATs -----|					DXP	Saf	Points
		FGs	Kick	Rush	Rcv	Pass			
M. Johnson	15	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	90
Abr. Murray	0	6-10	38-39	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	56
Q. Hilliard	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	36
J. Mobery	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	24
H. Ayres	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	24
Ash. Murray	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	18
D. Poirier	3	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0-0	0	0	18
D. Simmons	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
T. Bow	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
A. Schoonover	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
J.D. Gallman	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-1	0	0	6
M. Booras	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
TEAM	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	2	4
G. Johnson	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0
Total.....	41	6-10	38-39	0-1	0	0-1	0	2	306
Opponents.....	46	3-7	24-30	4-6	6	6-10	0	0	329

TOTAL OFFENSE	GP	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
M. Johnson	10	90	889	0	889	88.9
D. Simmons	11	149	680	0	680	61.8
H. Ayres	11	74	340	76	416	37.8
J. Mobery	11	40	415	0	415	37.7
Ash. Murray	10	52	125	158	283	28.3
Q. Hilliard	10	30	278	0	278	27.8
D. Poirier	4	52	214	0	214	53.5
J.D. Gallman	11	37	115	13	128	11.6
G. Phill	1	1	44	0	44	44.0
Abr. Murray	11	1	17	0	17	1.5
M. Booras	10	3	3	0	3	0.3
Alt. Fullwood	1	2	-2	0	-2	-2.0
TEAM	10	9	-23	0	-23	-2.3
Total.....	11	541	3095	247	3342	303.8
Opponents.....	11	610	1478	2634	4112	373.8

ALL PURPOSE	GP	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	Avg/G
M. Johnson	10	889	-13	12	20	0	908	90.8
D. Simmons	11	680	0	0	0	0	680	61.8
M. Booras	10	3	109	77	243	0	432	43.2
J. Mobery	11	415	0	0	0	0	415	37.7
H. Ayres	11	340	0	0	3	0	343	31.2
Q. Hilliard	10	278	0	0	0	0	278	27.8
D. Poirier	4	214	13	0	0	0	227	56.8
Ash. Murray	10	125	0	0	50	0	175	17.5
J.D. Gallman	11	115	0	0	29	0	144	13.1
A. Schoonover	8	0	87	0	0	0	87	10.9
J. Williams	9	0	0	0	71	0	71	7.9
G. Johnson	11	0	0	0	43	14	57	5.2
Abraham-Miller	10	0	0	0	0	50	50	5.0
G. Phill	1	44	0	0	0	0	44	44.0
J. Logan	7	0	0	0	0	43	43	6.1
J. Cooper	4	0	27	0	0	0	27	6.8
T. Bow	1	0	24	0	0	0	24	24.0
Ash. Fullwood	11	0	0	22	0	0	22	2.0
Abr. Murray	11	17	0	0	0	0	17	1.5
Alt. Fullwood	1	-2	0	0	0	0	-2	-2.0
TEAM	10	-23	0	0	0	0	-23	-2.3
Total.....	11	3095	247	111	459	107	4019	365.4
Opponents.....	11	1478	2634	187	237	23	4559	414.5

2023 DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP	Tackles			Total TFL-Yds	Sacks No-Yds	Pass Defense			Fumbles Rcv-Yds	FF	Blkd			
		Solo	Ast				Int-Yds	BU	PD			Qbh	Kick	Saf	
3 S. Greer	11	38	60	98	10.0 - 56	1.0 - 6	1	- 0	.	1	- 0	2	.	.	
6 Ash. Fullwood	11	37	45	82	10.5 - 21	.	.	.	.	3	- 0	1	.	.
44 G. Johnson	11	37	21	58	5.0 - 21	.	2	- 14	.	1	- 0	.	.	.	
5 J.D. Gallman	11	26	16	42	.	.	.	.	6	6	.	.	.	.
94 D. Cottonham	11	15	21	36	7.0 - 18	1.5 - 7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
41 J. Williams	9	23	12	35	0.5 - 4	.	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.
15 E. Sipes	10	20	14	34	3.0 - 23	2.0 - 21	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.
45 J. Rushing	11	16	13	29	7.5 - 35	1.0 - 1	.	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	
14 Abraham-Miller	10	18	8	26	1.0 - 3	.	6	- 50	6	12	.	.	.	.
19 E. Oliver	9	13	9	22	0.5 - 0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
90 I. Gray	11	8	13	21	5.5 - 14	0.5 - 1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
97 M. Franklin	10	7	13	20	3.5 - 9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
11 J. Logan	7	9	2	11	0.5 - 0	.	1	- 43	2	3	.	.	.	.
40 K. Fox	8	4	3	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
13 J. Thrasher	3	3	2	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TM TEAM	10	5	.	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	3	- 0	4	2
33 J. Mobery	11	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
7 K. Roberson	7	1	3	4	1.0 - 3	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.
16 R. Johnson	3	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
36 E. Cooper	3	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
9 M. Booras	10	.	3	3	0.5 - 9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
98 R. Perry	5	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
18 J. Johnson	2	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
17 C. Evans	3	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
49 J. Washington	2	1	1	2	0.5 - 1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
8 D. Simmons	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
38 H. Peacock	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
34 D. Padron	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
66 D. Bell	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	- 0	.	.
Total.....	11	301	262	563	56 - 217	6 - 36	10	- 107	20	30	.	9 - 0	4	4	2
Opponents.....	11	342	215	557	53 - 184	1 - 9	3	- 23	.	3	.	10 - 0	1	1	.

2023 KICKING STATISTICS

FIELD GOALS	Made-Att	Pct	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	Long	Blkd
Abr. Murray	6-10	60.0	0-0	3-3	2-3	1-1	0-3	45	1

FG SEQUENCE	Yellow Jackets	OPPONENTS
Hawks	(45)	42,35
Raiders	(22)	-
Cavaliers	-	-
Gators	-	(33),(35)
Tigers	(24),(35),53	-
Buccaneers	(23), 51	-
Panthers	(32)	30
Vikings	55	-
Cowboys	-	-
Chiefs	-	-
Blue Jays	34	(29),25

PUNTING	No.	Yards	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	50+	Blkd
Abr. Murray	35	1404	40.1	68	1	2	11	7	0
J. Cooper	2	29	14.5	29	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	37	1433	38.7	68	1	2	11	7	0
Opponents.....	24	723	30.1	47	0	2	3	0	1

KICKOFFS	No.	Yards	Avg	TB	OB	Retn	Net	YdLn
Abr. Murray	53	3105	58.6	42	0			
J. Cooper	3	180	60.0	3	0			
Total.....	56	3285	58.7	45	0	26.3	38.4	21
Opponents.....	57	2481	43.5	13	5	13.9	30.9	29

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

2023 TEAM SUPERLATIVES

CATEGORY

POINTS SCORED
FIRST DOWNS
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS
TOTAL PLAYS
RUSHING YARDS
RUSHING ATTEMPTS
RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS
PASSING YARDS
PASS ATTEMPTS
PASS COMPLETIONS
PASSING TOUCHDOWNS
INTERCEPTIONS THROWN
INTERCEPTIONS BY BYRD
PUNTS
PUNTING AVERAGE (2 PUNTS MIN)
FUMBLES
FUMBLES LOST
PENALTIES
PENALTY YARDS

HIGH

61 vs. BENTON
23 vs. BENTON
566 vs. BENTON
59 vs. SOUTHWOOD
466 vs. BENTON
56 vs. SOUTHWOOD
6 vs. HUNTINGTON, BENTON
100 vs. BENTON
7 vs. PLEASANT GROVE, JESUIT
3 vs. BENTON, NATCHITOCHE
2 vs. BENTON
1 vs. THREE TEAMS
2 vs. THREE TEAMS
7 vs. JESUIT
52.8 vs. CAPTAIN SHREVE
3 vs. THREE TEAMS
2 vs. PLEASANT GROVE, JESUIT
13 vs. BENTON
140 vs. BENTON

LOW

2 vs. JESUIT
5 vs. PARKWAY, JESUIT
61 vs. PARKWAY
34 vs. PARKWAY
57 vs. PARKWAY
30 vs. PARKWAY
0 vs. PARKWAY, JESUIT
-13 vs. JESUIT
0 vs. CAPTAIN SHREVE
0 vs. THREE TEAMS
0 vs. SEVEN TEAMS
0 vs. EIGHT TEAMS
0 vs. FOUR TEAMS
1 vs. THREE TEAMS
16.5 vs. BENTON
0 vs. BENTON, PARKWAY
0 vs. THREE TEAMS
4 vs. HUNTINGTON
42 vs. CALVARY

BYRD PLAYER GAME HIGHS

CATEGORY

RUSH YARDS 205, DESMOND SIMMONS vs. AIRLINE
RUSH ATTEMPTS 28, DESMOND SIMMONS vs. AIRLINE
RUSH TDs 5, MALACHI JOHNSON vs. HUNTINGTON
LONGEST RUSH 62, MALACHI JOHNSON, HAUGHTON
PASS YARDS 76, HARRISON AYRES vs. BENTON
PASS ATTEMPTS 7, TWO PLAYERS vs. TWO TEAMS
PASS COMPLETIONS 3, ASHER MURRAY vs. NATCHITOCHE
PASS TDs 1, TWO PLAYERS vs. (THREE TIMES) TWO TEAMS
LONGEST RECEPTION 61, MATTHEW BOORAS vs. PARKWAY
RECEIVING YARDS 76, ALEX SCHOONOVER vs. BENTON
RECEPTIONS 2, TWO PLAYERS vs. TWO TEAMS
RECEIVING TDs 1, THREE PLAYERS vs. TWO TEAMS
FIELD GOALS 2, ABRAM MURRAY vs. BENTON
LONGEST FG 45, ABRAM MURRAY vs. PLEASANT GROVE
PUNTS 7, ABRAM MURRAY vs. JESUIT
LONGEST PUNT 68, ABRAM MURRAY vs. PARKWAY
PUNTING AVG. 52.8, ABRAM MURRAY vs. CAPTAIN SHREVE
LONGEST PUNT RETURN 36, MATTHEW BOORAS vs. HUNTINGTON
LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN 33, JACARI WILLIAMS vs. AIRLINE
TACKLES 14, ASHTON FULLWOOD vs. PARKWAY
TACKLES FOR LOSS 3, SAM GREER vs. JESUIT
SACKS 1, THREE PLAYERS vs. (FOUR TIMES) THREE TEAMS
PASS BREAKUPS 2, TWO PLAYERS vs. TWO TEAMS
INTERCEPTIONS 2, KAIDEN ABRAHAM-MILLER vs. SOUTHWOOD
FUMBLE RECOVERIES 1, FIVE PLAYERS vs. (NINE TIMES) SIX TEAMS

OPPONENT PLAYER GAME HIGHS

CATEGORY

RUSH YARDS 190, JAMARLON OTIS, CAPTAIN SHREVE
RUSH ATTEMPTS 25, TWO PLAYERS, TWO TEAMS
RUSH TDs 2, SIX PLAYERS, SIX TEAMS
LONGEST RUSH 66, JAMARLON OTIS, CAPTAIN SHREVE
PASS YARDS 365, ABRAM WARDELL, CALVARY
PASS ATTEMPTS 40, BEN TAYLOR, AIRLINE
PASS COMPLETIONS 30, BEN TAYLOR AIRLINE
PASS TDs 4, THREE PLAYERS, THREE TEAMS
LONGEST RECEPTION 82, KALEB TUCKER, HUNTINGTON
RECEIVING YARDS 177, KALEB TUCKER, HUNTINGTON
RECEPTIONS 10, TREY SMITH, BENTON
RECEIVING TDs 3, KALEB TUCKER, HUNTINGTON
FIELD GOALS 2, JOHN CHANCE, CAPTAIN SHREVE
LONGEST FG 35, JOHN CHANCE, CAPTAIN SHREVE
PUNTS 4, MASON DUGGAN, BENTON
LONGEST PUNT 47, JOHN CHANCE, CAPTAIN SHREVE
PUNTING AVG. 44.5, JOHN CHANCE, CAPTAIN SHREVE
LONGEST PUNT RETURN 37, MARCUS WILLIS, HUNTINGTON
LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN 64, KJ READER, PLEASANT GROVE
TACKLES 12, TUCKER SCHIBLER, JESUIT
TACKLES FOR LOSS 3.5, JAYMON WHEELER, PLEASANT GROVE
SACKS 1, JA'THAN SKINNER, SOUTHWOOD
PASS BREAKUPS -
INTERCEPTIONS 1, THREE PLAYERS, THREE TEAMS
FUMBLE RECOVERIES 1, 10 PLAYERS, EIGHT TEAMS

2024 FRIERSON FAMILY PLAYERS OF THE GAME

ST. AMANT

HAUGHTON

EVANGEL

JOHN EHRET

PARKWAY

HUNTINGTON

NATCHITOCHE CENTRAL

BENTON

AIRLINE

CAPTAIN SHREVE

2024 PLAYER PROFILES

#25 Harrison Ayres, Quarterback

2024 game highs (career high)
Attempts: 0 (4 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Completions: 0 (2 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Yards: 0 (76 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Touchdowns: 0 (1 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Long: 0 (52 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Rushes: 0 (13 vs. Haughton, 10/6/23)
Yards: 0 (76 vs. two teams)
Touchdowns: 0 (1 vs. four teams)
Long: 0 (34 vs. Jesuit, 11/10/24)

#8 Desmond Simmons, Fullback

2024 game highs (career high)
Rushes: 0 (28 vs. Airline, 10/20/23)
Yards: 0 (205 vs. Airline, 10/20/23)
Touchdowns: 0 (4 vs. Southwood, 10/28/22)
Long: 0 (64 vs. Southwood, 10/28/22)
Receptions: 0 (same)
Yards: 0 (same)

#20 Collin Deere, Fullback

2024 game highs (career high)
Rushes: 0 (same)
Yards: 0 (same)
Long: 0 (same)
Touchdowns: 0 (same)
Receptions: 0 (same)
Yards: 0 (same)
Long: 0 (same)
Touchdowns: 0 (same)

#24, Quinton Hilliard, Wingback

2023 game highs (career high)
Rushes: 0 (6 vs. Pleasant Grove, 9/1/23)
Yards: 0 (109 vs. Pleasant Grove, 9/1/23)
Long: 0 (56 vs. Pleasant Grove, 9/1/23)
Touchdowns: 0 (2 vs. two teams)
Receptions: 0 (same)
Yards: 0 (same)

#4, Christian Maxie, Wingback

2024 game highs (career high)
Rushes: 0 (same)
Yards: 0 (same)
Long: 0 (same)
Touchdowns: 0 (same)
Receptions: 0 (same)
Yards: 0 (same)
Long: 0 (same)
Touchdowns: 0 (same)

#22 Gavin Phill, Wingback

2024 game highs (career high)
Rushes: 0 (1 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Yards: 0 (44 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Long: 0 (44 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Touchdowns: 0 (same)
Receptions: 0 (same)
Yards: 0 (same)
Long: 0 (same)
Touchdowns: 0 (same)

#23, Troy Bow, Running Back

2024 game highs (career high)
Rushes: 0 (1 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Yards: 0 (0 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Long: 0 (0 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Touchdowns: 0 (same)
Receptions: 0 (1 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Yards: 0 (24 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Long: 0 (24 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Touchdowns: 0 (1 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)

#2 Alex Schoonover, Receiver

2024 game highs (career high)
Receptions: 0 (2 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Yards: 0 (76 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Long: 0 (58 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Touchdowns: 0 (1 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)

#7 Kristian Roberson, Wide Receiver / Defensive Back

2024 game highs (career high)
Receptions: 0 (same)
Yards: 0 (same)
Long: 0 (same)
Touchdowns: 0 (same)
Solo: 0 (1 vs. Pleasant Grove, 9/1/23)

Assisted: 0 (2 vs. Pleasant Grove, 9/1/23)
Total Tackles: 0 (3 vs. Pleasant Grove, 9/1/23)
Tackles for Loss: 0 (1 vs. Pleasant Grove, 9/1/23)
Interceptions: 0 (same)
Pass Breakups: 0 (1 vs. Huntington, 9/7/23)
Fumble Recoveries: 0 (same)

#86 Jackson Cooper, Receiver / Kicker / Punter

2024 game highs (career high)
Receptions: 0 (1 vs. Southwood, 10/27/23)
Yards: 0 (27 vs. Southwood, 10/27/23)
Long: 0 (27 vs. Southwood, 10/27/23)
Touchdowns: 0 (same)
Kickoffs: 0 (1 vs. three teams)
Yards: 0 (60 vs. three teams)
Touchbacks: 0 (1 vs. three teams)
Punts: 0 (1 vs. Southwood, 10/27/23)
Yards: 0 (29 vs. Southwood, 10/27/23)
Long: 0 (29 vs. Southwood, 10/27/23)
Average: 0 (29.0 vs. Southwood, 10/27/23)

#12 Asher Murray, Kicker / Punter

2024 game highs (career high)
FGA: 0 (same)
FGM: 0 (same)
Long: 0 (same)
Punts: 0 (same)
Long: 0 (same)
Average: 0 (same)

#94 Darrell Cottonham, Defensive Lineman

2024 game highs (career high)
Solo: 0 (4 vs. two teams)
Assisted: 0 (4 vs. Southwood, 10/27/23)
Total Tackles: 0 (6 vs. Natchitoches, 11/3/23)
Tackles for Loss: 0 (2 vs. Huntington, 9/7/23)
Sacks: 0 (1 vs. Natchitoches, 11/3/23)

#90 Ian Gray, Defensive Lineman

2024 game highs (career high)
Solo: 0 (2 vs. two teams)
Assisted: 0 (2 vs. two teams)
Total Tackles: 3 vs. four teams (3 vs. four teams)
Tackles for Loss: 2 vs. two teams (2 vs. two teams)
Sacks: 0 (0.5 vs. Natchitoches, 11/3/23)

#98 Rhyan Perry, Defensive Lineman

2024 game highs (career high)
Solo: 0 (1 vs. three teams)
Assisted: 0 (same)
Total Tackles: 0 (1 vs. three teams)
Tackles for Loss: 0 (same)
Sacks: 0 (same)

#59 Tayvious Washington, Defensive Lineman

2024 game highs (career high)
Solo: 0 (same)
Assisted: 0 (same)
Total Tackles: 0 (same)
Tackles for Loss: 0 (same)

#3 Sam Greer, Linebacker

2024 game highs (career high)
Solo: 0 (8 vs. Natchitoches, 11/3/23)
Assisted: 0 (8 vs. two teams)
Total Tackles: 0 (11 vs. three teams)
Tackles for Loss: 0 (3 vs. two teams)
Sacks: 0 (0.5 vs. two teams)
Interceptions: 0 (1 vs. Natchitoches, 11/3/23)
Fumble Recoveries: 0 (1 vs. two teams)

#15 Ethan Sipes, Linebacker

2024 game highs (career high)
Solo: 0 (3 vs. four teams)
Assisted: 0 (3 vs. Parkway, 10/13/23)
Total Tackles: 0 (5 vs. two teams)
Tackles for Loss: 0 (1 vs. three teams)
Sacks: 0 (1 vs. two teams)

#40 Kian Fox, Linebacker

2024 game highs (career high)
Solo: 0 (1 vs. four teams)
Assisted: 0 (2 vs. Calvary, 9/14/23)
Total Tackles: 0 (2 vs. Calvary, 9/14/23)
Tackles for Loss: 0 (same)
Sacks: 0 (same)

#14 Kalden Abraham-Miller, Defensive Back

2024 game highs (career high)
Solo: 0 (3 vs. three teams)
Assisted: 0 (3 vs. Huntington, 9/7/23)
Total Tackles: 0 (5 vs. two teams)
Tackles for Loss: 0 (1 vs. Parkway, 10/13/23)
Interceptions: 0 (2 vs. Southwood, 10/27/23)
Pass Breakups: 0 (2 vs. Haughton, 10/6/23)

#11 James Logan, Defensive Back

2024 game highs (career high)
Solo: 0 (4 vs. Pleasant Grove, 9/1/23)
Assisted: 0 (1 vs. two teams)
Total Tackles: 0 (4 vs. Pleasant Grove, 9/1/23)
Tackles for Loss: 0 (1 vs. Airline, 10/20/23)
Interceptions: 0 (1 vs. Huntington, 9/7/23)
Pass Breakups: 0 (1 vs. two teams)

#19 Ethan Oliver, Defensive Back

2024 game highs (career high)
Solo: 0 (4 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Assisted: 0 (4 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Total Tackles: 0 (8 vs. Benton, 9/28/23)
Tackles for Loss: 0 (1 vs. Huntington, 9/7/23)
Pass Breakups: 0 (same)
Interceptions: 0 (same)

#5 Ja'Carl Williams, Defensive Back / Returner

2024 game highs (career high)
Solo: 0 (5 vs. Natchitoches, 11/3/23)
Assisted: 0 (4 vs. Haughton, 10/6/23)
Total Tackles: 0 (7 vs. Haughton, 10/6/23)
Tackles for Loss: 0 (41 vs. Haughton, 10/6/23)
Pass Breakups: 0 (2 vs. Natchitoches, 11/3/23)
Interceptions: 0 (same)
Kick Returns: 3 vs. Airline (3 vs. Airline, 10/20/23)
Yards: 0 (59 vs. Airline, 10/20/23)
Long: 0 (33 vs. Airline, 10/20/23)