



2026 C.E. BYRD YELLOW JACKETS FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

SCHEDULE & RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME/SCORE
9/3	at Ouachita Lions	Lions (Monroe)	L, 44-37
9/10	vs. Airline Vikings	Lee Hedges	L, 40-21
9/18	at North DeSoto Griffins	Griffin (Stonewall)	L, 38-20
9/25	vs. Pleasant Grove Hawks	Lee Hedges	7 PM
10/2	at *Benton Tigers	Tiger (Benton)	7 PM
10/8	vs. *Huntington Raiders	Lee Hedges	7 PM
10/16	at *Haughton Buccaneers	Prescott (Haughton)	7 PM
10/23	vs. *Evangel Eagles (HC)	Lee Hedges	7 PM
10/30	at *Parkway Panthers	Crownover (Bossier)	7 PM
11/6	vs. *Captain Shreve Gators	Lee Hedges (Home)	7 PM

*District 1-5A (HC) Homecoming **Select Division 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: Jana Panos

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator /Safeties: Stacy Ballew
Offensive Coordinator: Wade Leone
Offensive Line: Craig Harris
Wingbacks: Rahkeem Mitchell
Wide Receivers: Carlos Doss
Defensive Line: Shimorye Hampton
Linebackers: Jalen Bowers
Corner Backs: Benji Piazza
Assistant: Billy Beene
Freshmen: Lee Wooldridge, Ronnie Buckingham, Tucker Gardner
Certified Athletic Trainer: Cordarius Wayne, ATC, LAT
Videographer: Gary Rushworth

YELLOW JACKET FACTS

2025 Overall Record (Playoffs): 2-8
District 1-5A Record (Place): 1-7, T7th
Offensive Starters Returning: 6
Defensive Starters Returning: 6
Offense: Multiple Option
Defense: 4-2-5

BY THE NUMBERS

122

2026 marks the 122nd season of Yellow Jackets Football, 102 as C.E. Byrd

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This will be the third meeting between Byrd and Pleasant Grove

348

Rushing yards needed for Christian Maxie to become the school's all-time leading rusher

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

Color analysts: Dr. Kirk Martinson, Jason Little

Sideline reporters: Dominique Wilson, Clark Harp

Statisticians: Marc Weddleton & Chad Ardoin

Producer: Travis Stewart

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GAME FOUR



SEPTEMBER 25, 2026 * 7 PM
LEE HEDGES STADIUM
SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA



BYRD YELLOW JACKETS

2026 Record (District): 0-3 (0-0, 1-5A)
Ranking: NR
Last Game: L, 38-20 at North DeSoto, 9/18/26
Head Coach: Stacy Ballew
Career Record [Years]: 32-28 (.533) [6th]
Byrd Record [Years]: Same
State Championships: 8 (Most recent 2020)
Ballew record vs. Pleasant Grove: 1-1

PLEASANT GROVE HAWKS

Record: 4-0
Ranking: No. 4 in Class 4A Division II
Last Game: W, 41-14 vs. Paris, 9/18/26
Head Coach: Jonathan Darby
Career Record [Years]: 4-0 [1st]
Record at PG [Years]: Same
State Championships: 2 (2017, 2019)
Darby record vs. Byrd: 0-0

Back Home Hosting the Hawks

On Friday, Sept. 25, the Byrd Yellow Jackets will be back at home hosting the Pleasant Grove Hawks. Kickoff for is scheduled for 7 p.m. at Lee Hedges Stadium.

A Little About the Teams

The Byrd Yellow Jackets own a 0-3 record after last Friday's 38-20 loss to the North DeSoto Griffins in Stonewall. Tied 7-7 after the first quarter, the North DeSoto Griffins scored 31 points in the second and third quarters to cruise to the win over the visiting Jackets last Friday at Griffin Stadium. The Pleasant Grove Hawks have won their first four games under new head coach Jonathan Darby. The Hawks, who are ranked fourth in the UIL's Class 4A, Div. II rankings, blew out the Paris Wildcats, 41-14, last Friday at Hawk Stadium.

The Last Time Out

North DeSoto freshman quarterback Mason Smith passed for 268 yards and three touchdowns and ran for another to lead the Griffins to a 38-20 victory over the Byrd Yellow Jackets. Griffins' tight end Miller Warren hauled in seven passes for 113 yards and a touchdown. Byrd running back Christian Maxie rushed for 141 yards and a touchdown. Maxie also had two receptions for 38 yards, including a 26-yard touchdown. Pleasant Grove continued its early season dominance under new head coach Jonathan Darby as the Hawks had no trouble dispatching the visiting Parish Wildcats 41-14.

The 102nd Season of Byrd Football

2026 marks the 102nd of Byrd Football and the 122nd season of Yellow Jackets Football. In the 101st season of Byrd Football, the Yellow Jackets posted a 2-8 record. It was the second time in five seasons under head coach Stacy Ballew that the Yellow Jackets finished below .500. The last time Byrd won just two games was in 1994 when the Jackets finished with an identical 2-8 record. Byrd's 1-7 record in District 1-5A marked the first time since 2018 (3-3) that the Jackets did not have a winning district record. Byrd did not make the playoffs for the first time since 2009.

The Series

This will be just the third meeting between Byrd and Pleasant Grove. The two teams split the series back in 2022-23 with each team winning at home. This series came about because Byrd head coach Stacy Ballew and former Pleasant Grove head coach Josh Gibson once coached together in Texas.

Last Time Versus the Hawks

Pleasant Grove used a balanced offensive attack to score four first half touchdowns, two off of Byrd turnovers, as the Hawks defeated the Yellow Jackets 27-10 at Hawk Stadium in Texarkana, Texas. Led by quarterback Ahkhari Johnson, an Arkansas commit, Pleasant Grove's offense rushed for 176 yards and two touchdowns and passed for 169 yards and two scores. Byrd junior wingback Quinton Hilliard was the leading ground gainer in the game with 109 yards on six carries.

The Coaches

Stacy Ballew was named the 24th head coach in Yellow Jackets Football history in 2021. He is now in his sixth season as Byrd's head coach. Ballew earned his first victory as the Jackets' head coach in Byrd's 43-14 season-opening win over Huntington in 2021. Ballew has spent most of 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 Mike Suggs' staff. In 2005, he would move over to the defensive side, where he'd remain for 16 seasons, coaching the linebackers. Promoted to defensive coordinator in 2009, Ballew spent 12 seasons coordinating the Purple Swarm Defense. Ballew owns a 32-28 (.533) record in his six seasons as Byrd's head coach. Pleasant Grove is coached by Jonathan Darby, who is in his first season as the Hawks head coach. Darby was promoted to the role on January 14, 2026. He succeeded long-time head coach Josh Gibson, who stepped down to pursue opportunities in the private sector after a highly successful 12-year run. Darby joined Gibson's staff in 2019, initially working his way up from a middle school position. He served as the Defensive Coordinator for five seasons, including the 2019 State Championship season.



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	9-4
2025	2-8
2026	0-3
6 Years	32-28

Achievements

2021 District 1-5A Champions

Four playoff appearances

Two 9-win seasons in six years

Stacy Ballew is in his sixth 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.

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.

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 Defense's 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.

After Suggs retired in May 2021, Ballew was named the 24th head coach in Yellow Jackets football history.

The 47-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
Stacy Ballew	2021-26	32	28	0	.533
George Hoy	1923-25	23	4	2	.827
Lee Hedges	1956-59	23	19	3	.544
Jerry Burton	1977-82	23	37	0	.439
E.L. Alberson	1920-22	19	4	5	.768
Unknown	1905-06, '09-11, '13, '18	20	5	3	.769
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	122 Years	700	452	35	.604

NOTEBOOK

DISTRICT 1-5A STANDINGS

Airline Vikings.....	3-0
Haughton Buccaneers.....	3-0
Benton Tigers.....	2-1
Parkway Panthers.....	2-1
Captain Shreve Gators.....	2-1
Evangel Eagles.....	1-2
Byrd Yellow Jackets.....	0-3
Huntington Raiders.....	0-3
Natchitoches Central Chiefs.....	0-3

RECENT RESULTS

Captain Shreve 49, Northwood 28
 Airline 40, Pulaski Academy, Ark. 35
 North DeSoto 38, Byrd 20
 Evangel 42, Huntington 0
 Benton 38, Woodlawn 6
 Haughton 45, Glenbrook 6
 Parkway 56, Red River 12
 Sterlington 42, Natchitoches Central 7

2026 YARDSTICK

Byrd	7	0	0	13	- 20
North DeSoto	7	21	10	0	- 38

ND - Braylon Moore 18 pass from Mason Smith (Dakota Denney kick)
 BHS - Trenton Henderson 1 run (Jackson Dowe kick)
 ND - Miller Warren 7 pass from Smith (Denney kick)
 ND - Khy Johnson 59 pass from Smith (Dakota Denney kick)
 ND - Smith 7 run (Denney kick)
 ND - Denney 34 field goal
 ND - Hayden Bell 3 run (Denney kick)
 BHS - Christian Maxie 26 pass from Aden Fullwood (Dowe kick)
 BHS - Maxie 26 run (kick failed)

	BHS	ND
First Downs	16	18
Rushing Att -Yards	58-254	30-185
Passing Yards	70	268
Passes (C-A-I)	4-6-1	19-26-0
Punts-Avg.	4-43.8	3-17.7
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	6-92	6-31

Individual Leaders

Rushing - BHS: Maxie 25-141, Fullwood 11-62, Henderson 13-36, Traylon Johnson 4-27, Kayden Jones 1-16, Eli Stephens 1-(-1), Peter Santiago 1-(-10), Team 2-(-14); ND: Derik White 14-80, Steven Sims 7-50, Bell 5-46, Smith 4-9.
Passing - BHS: Fullwood 4-6-1 70; ND: Smith 19-26-0 268.
Receiving - BHS: Maxie 2-38, Stephens 1-18, Logan Carlson 1-14; ND: Warren 7-113, Moore 4-47, Christian Ashworth 3-15, Johnson 2-63, Chris Kennedy 2-63, White 1-10, Colton LaCour 1-9.

2023 YARDSTICK

Byrd	0	0	7	3	- 10
Pleasant Grove	14	13	0	0	- 27

PG - Ahkhari Johnson 2 run (Carter Buxton kick)
 PG - Jackson Gibson 21 pass from A. Johnson (Caleb Jones kick)
 PG - Nick Bells 13 pass from A. Johnson (C. Jones kick)
 PG - Kristian Wrightner 2 run (kick blocked)
 BHS - Dixon Poirier 1 run (Abram Murray kick)
 BHS - Abram Murray 45 field goal

	BHS	PG
First Downs	14	22
Rushing Att - Yards	49-258	31-176
Passing Yards	13	169
Passes (C-A-I)	1-7-1	17-23-1
Punts-Avg.	4-46.0	1-37.0
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	2-1
Penalties-Yards	9-74	7-74

Individual Leaders

Rushing - BHS: Quinton Hilliard 6-109, Malachi Johnson 11-46, J.D. Gallman 6-45, Jontavious Mobery 7-32, Desmond Simmons 5-24, Poirier 11-16, Matthew Booras 1-(-1), Team 2-(-13); PG: Bells 5-87, Wrightner 4-34, A. Johnson 14-25, Kaden McFadden 3-15, Jaylen Boardley 3-13, Cade Martin 1-2, Buck Anderson 1-0.
Passing - BHS: Gallman 1-7-1 13; PG: A. Johnson 17-23-1 169.
Receiving - BHS: Poirier 1-13; PG: Phillips 5-47, Boardley 4-33, Jaybren Baltimore 2-39, McFadden 2-7, Gibson 1-21, Bells 1-13, K.J. Reader 1-10, Landon West 1-(-1).

YELLOW JACKET STINGERS

Yellow Jackets Football History

2026 marks the 122nd season of Yellow Jackets Football and the 102nd season 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 17, 1925...In the 20 seasons of Shreveport High School Football, the Yellow Jackets compiled an impressive 70-28-12 record...Shreveport-Byrd owns a 700-452-35 (.604) 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 a 32-28 (.533) record in his six seasons as the Jackets head coach...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...Last season, Byrd missed the playoffs for first time in 15 years, snapping the longest stretch in school history...Byrd has participated in the playoffs in 42 years, playing 72 games, and holding a 36-34-2 record...The two ties were split 1-1, one win on first downs and one loss on penetrations...In the 122-year combined history of Shreveport-Byrd football, the Yellow Jackets have made 14 state championship game appearances, winning eight state championships and having been the state runners-up six times...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 by the LHSAA, Byrd was awarded the 2020 Division I State Championship, giving the school eight state titles.

Notes

Wing back Christian Maxie had a record-setting night in the season opener against Ouachita as he rushed for 429 yards on 40 carries and scored three touchdowns and had a two-point conversion rush...Maxie's 429 rushing yards broke the school and city records for rushing yards in a game previously held by former Jacket Charles Ball, who rushed for 407 yards on 24 carries against Huntington in 1990... Maxie's 40 carries broke the school record of 36 carries previously held by Collin Deere, who had 36 against Benton in 2024, and Duan Maiden, who had 36 against Fair Park in 1992... Maxie followed that record-setting night with another incredible performance as he rushed for 265 yards on 24 carries and he scored two touchdowns...It was the 10th best rushing game in program history...Maxie has five of the top 20 best single-game rushing performances in a game in program history...14 times in his career, Maxie has rushed for over 100 yards in a game, including last week's 141-yard output against North DeSoto...Ten times in his 23 career games Maxie rushed for over 150 yards...He scored two rushing touchdowns against Airline, giving him 11 multi-rushing touchdown games in his career...His 835 rushing yards in the first three games upped his career rushing total to 3,400 yards, which ranks second on the career rushing list...Maxie needs just 348 yards to break Justan Gibson's mark of 3,747...Quarterback Leo Ezernack got the start against Ouachita...Ezernack started his first game against Benton in 2025... Ezernack's 26-yard touchdown pass to Kayden Jones in the fourth quarter against the Lions was the first touchdown pass and reception of the duo's respective careers...Unfortunately for Ezernack, he suffered a season-ending knee injury in the Airline game...Leo Ezernack and linebacker Ben Ezernack are twins...According to Ben, Leo is older by a couple of minutes...Quarterback Aden Fullwood got his first varsity start against North DeSoto... Fullwood rushed for 62 yards and passed for 70 yards...Kicker Nash Alexander, who is the quarterback on the freshmen football team, booted a 22-yard field goal in the second quarter against Ouachita...It was Alexander's first made field goal as a Byrd Yellow Jacket...Alexander is believed to be one of the first freshman to garner playing time at the varsity level since the late 2000s...Byrd rushed for 529 yards in its 44-37 loss to the Lions...The 529 rushing yards against Ouachita was the third best team single-game rushing performance in program history...Through three games, Byrd has rushed for 1,116 yards and is averaging 372 rushing yards per game...In Stacy Ballew's six seasons, the Yellow Jackets own a 28-10 record when rushing for 300 or more yards in a game...Byrd is 6-3 under Ballew when it rushes for 400 or more yards in a game...In 2025, Byrd's defense allowed opponents to amass over 400 yards of total offense and 37 points per game...Through three games, Byrd's defense is allowing 422.7 yards and 40.2 points per game...In 13 of the 28 losses Byrd has suffered in Ballew's six seasons, the Jackets have given up 40 or more points...Byrd did not register a punt return in 2025...Christian Maxie registered Byrd's first punt return in 12 games when he had 15-yard return of a North DeSoto punt...Fullback Trenton Henderson's 18-yard touchdown run against Ouachita was the longest touchdown run of his career...Defensive end Conrad Hilliard registered Byrd's first double-digit tackles night of the season with 10 against Airline...Safety Keonta Eason picked off Ouachita quarterback Lester Watts pass for the Jackets first interception of the season...Eason's interception is the only takeaway for Byrd through three games.

CAREER RUSHING LEADERS

Rk.	Player (Years)	Carries	Yards	TDs
1.	Justan Gibson (2004-06)	497	3747	47
2.	Christian Maxie (2024-26)	347	3400	35
3.	Arlenzia Jackson (1987-89)	791	3085	31
4.	Brandon Nightingale (1998-00)	477	3044	42
5.	Amaz Battle (1995-98)	277	2614	49
6.	Charlie Barham (2016-18)	446	2361	28
7.	John Martin Anthony (2006-08)	355	2331	19
8.	Duan Maiden (1990-92)	424	2261	24
9.	Richard Carthon (2008-11)	301	2152	44
10.	Desmond Simmons (2022-24)	347	1978	17

NOTEBOOK

BYRD UNDER BALLEW

Points Scored	Won	Loss
60+	1	0
50+	2	0
40+	7	2
30+	14	6
21+	5	10
-20	3	10
	32	28

UNIFORM TRACKER

Uniform Combo	Won	Loss
Purple pants/Purple jerseys	7	8
Purple pants/White jerseys	5	4
White pants/White jerseys	11	9
White pants/Purple jerseys	9	7
Gold pants/Purple Jerseys	0	0
Gold pants/White jerseys	0	0
	32	28

COIN TOSS TRACKER

Decision	Won	Loss
Win the toss	23	14
Lose the toss	9	14
	32	28

LSWA 5A POLL

(9/21/26)

Rk	Team	W-L	Pts	PR
1.	Karr (10)	3-0	131	2
2.	Ruston	2-1	115	1
3.	Alexandria	3-0	109	3
4.	St. Augustine (1)	3-0	104	4
5.	John Curtis	2-1	82	6
6.	Archbishop Rummel	3-0	80	7
7.	Acadiana	3-0	63	8
8.	Brother Martin	3-0	47	9
9.	Catholic-Baton Rouge	1-2	45	5
10.	Jesuit	3-0	22	NR

Others receiving votes: St. Thomas More 15, Central 13, West Monroe 8, Ouachita 7, Mandeville 5, Barbe 3, Thibodaux 3.

CCS CLASS 5A POLL

(9/21/26)

Rk	Team	W-L
1)	Edna Karr	(2-0)
2)	St. Augustine	(3-0)
3)	Alexandria	(3-0)
4)	John Curtis Christian	(2-1)
5)	Ruston	(2-1)
6)	Archbishop Rummel	(3-0)
7)	Brother Martin	(3-0)
8)	Acadiana	(3-0)
9)	Jesuit	(3-0)
10)	Barbe	(3-0)

SBI TOP 10

(9/21/26)

Rk	Team	W-L	PTS
1.	Calvary (4)	3-0	49
2.	Airline (1)	3-0	47
3.	Parkway	2-1	34
4.	Loyola	2-1	34
5.	Evangel	1-2	29
6.	Captain Shreve	2-1	22
7.	Green Oaks	3-0	21
8.	Haughton	3-0	15
9.	Booker T. Washington	2-1	13
10.	Benton	2-1	4

Receiving votes – Bossier 1.

BYRD BLASTS

He's A Magic Man

But try to understand, try to understand

Oh, oh, try, try, try to understand,

He's a magic man, oh, he's got the magic hands

Those lyrics are from the song "Magic Man," written and performed by sisters Ann & Nancy Wilson, who headlined the rock band Heart. These lyrics relate to Byrd's senior wing back Christian Maxie because when it comes to the feats he performs on the football field, he is indeed a Magic Man, with magic hands and legs. Maxie had a historic season in 2025 and he continues to his wield his magic through the first two games of 2026. In the season opener against Ouachita, Maxie set school and city records with 429 rushing yards. He also set a school record with 40 carries. He also scored three touchdowns and added a two-point conversion run. He followed that enchanted evening in Monroe, by rushing for 265 yards on 24 carries and scoring two touchdowns against Airline. Maxie finished the 2025 campaign with 1,574 rushing yards on 168 carries and scored 21 rushing touchdowns. His 1,574 rushing yards was the third-best rushing season in program history. Last season, he scored 23 total touchdowns for 138 points, which ranked fourth on the single season scoring leaders list. In 2025, Maxie rushed for over 100 yards in seven of Byrd's 10 games, including five straight from weeks six through 10. In the season finale against Shreve, he had 128 rushing yards and two touchdowns and added a 62-yard touchdown reception, which was the longest completion of the season. Maxie's had a magical night in leading the Yellow Jackets to a 49-40 win over the Benton Tigers in 2025. He had 32 carries for 341 yards and scored a school-record six touchdowns (121 yards of Yellow Jackets Football at the time). He also added a touchdown pass of 39 yards to receiver Logan Carlson. Maxie accounted for 42 of Byrd's 49 points. He scored 36 points against the Tigers which tied a school record set by Joe Almokary versus Longview, Texas in 1928 (5 TDs, 6 PATs). His 341-yard rushing performance was the fourth-best single-game rushing performance in program history. What made Maxie's incredible performance even more memorable was that he was the only starter remaining in Byrd's backfield. Maxie showed his big play ability in last year's season opener against St. Amant when he returned a kickoff for 95 yards and a touchdown. It tied Rodney Hill (2000) and Spanky McCoy (1954) for the second-longest kickoff return in program history. It was Byrd's first kickoff return for a touchdown since Christian Jones had a 61-yard return for a touchdown against the Southwood Cowboys on Oct. 28, 2022. Against the Airline Vikings, Maxie had a dazzling 88-yard touchdown run, which is the longest of his career. It was his sixth career touchdown run of 70-plus yards. In his magical career at Byrd, the Magic Man has registered five of the 20 best rushing performance by a Jacket in program history. Maxie's 3,400 career rushing yards ranks second on Byrd's career rushing list. After his 141-yard output against North DeSoto, Maxie needs 384 rushing yards to eclipse Justin Gibson's record of 3,747 yards and become the school's all-time leading rusher. In the 23 games played in his career, Maxie has scored 35 rushing touchdowns, averaged 9.8 yards per carry and averaged 148 yards per game. Ten times in his 23 career varsity games Maxie has rushed for over 150 yards, and he has registered 12 multi-touchdown games in his career. A two-time First-Team All-District selection, Maxie received numerous Player-of-the Week honors after his record-setting performance in week one. Maxie is indeed - A Magic Man.

Fullwood Is Byrd's QB1

Sophomore Aden Fullwood lined up behind center last week against North DeSoto as Byrd's QB1. Fullwood is a Byrd legacy. His father Albert Fullwood (2002-04) played football and ran track at Byrd. His older brothers, Ashton (2021-23) and Alton (2023-24), also played football for the Jackets. The youngest Fullwood has seen varsity playing time as a wide receiver, wing back and kick returner. He has been the junior varsity quarterback and entered the season as the third-string varsity quarterback. After projected starter Jackson Davis was indefinitely suspended prior to the start of the regular season, junior Leo Ezernack took over as the starter. Ezernack played in the Jackets' first two games before suffering a season-ending knee injury against Airline. Christian Maxie took the majority of snaps against the Vikings because Fullwood sat out of the game with a minor injury. Freshman quarterback and varsity kicker Nash Alexander was forced into action in the Airline game when Maxie's helmet came off during a play and he had to exit the field. Senior receiver Jonathan Harris, who played quarterback last season, may have been an option but he has been sidelined with an injury and has not dressed out for a game. Fullwood handled the bright Friday night lights admirably. He had 11 carries for 62 yards. He was 4-for-6 passing for 70 yards, including an incredible run after catch by Maxie. There were some first game jitters, but overall, a very gritty performance for a first-time starter on the road against one of the top teams in Class 4A.

SEASON RUSHING LEADERS

Rk.	Player (Year)	Carries	Yards	TDs
1.	Brandon Nightingale (2000)	228	1845	8.1
2.	Justin Gibson (2005)	230	1741	7.6
3.	Christian Maxie (2025)	168	1574	9.4
4.	Justin Gibson (2006)	203	1481	7.3
5.	Charlie Barham (2018)	226	1479	6.5
6.	Willard Rachal (1949)	172	1348	7.8
7.	Richard Gay (1954)	156	1279	8.2
8.	Amaz Battle (1996)	91	1234	13.6
9.	Richard Carthon (2011)	150	1224	8.2
10.	Duan Maiden (1992)	213	1142	5.4

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BYRD TRENDS

Byrd's Record in the months of...	2026	Ballew
August	0-0	0-0
September	0-3	14-11
October	0-0	12-10
November	0-0	6-7
December	0-0	0-0
	0-3	32-28
Byrd's Non-District Record...	2026	Ballew
at home	0-1	4-4
on the road	0-2	4-3
neutral	0-0	1-0
Byrd's District Record...	2026	Ballew
at home	0-0	10-9
on the road	0-0	10-8
neutral	0-0	0-0
Byrd's Playoff Record	2026	Ballew
at home	0-0	2-1
on the road	0-0	1-3
neutral	0-0	0-0
Byrd's Record in Games...	2026	Ballew
Decided by 7 pts or less	0-1	3-5
Decided by 3 pts or less	0-0	2-2
Homecomings	0-0	3-2
Away at night	0-2	15-14
Away during the day	0-0	0-0
Home at night	0-1	15-14
Home during the day	0-0	1-0
Neutral at night	0-0	1-0
Neutral during the day	0-0	0-0
Thursdays	0-2	9-11
Fridays	0-1	23-17
Saturdays	0-0	0-0
Sundays	0-0	0-0
Byrd's Record When...	2026	Ballew
Leading after the 1st quarter	0-1	21-4
Tied after the 1st quarter	0-1	7-5
Leading after the 2nd quarter	0-1	30-5
Tied after the 2nd quarter	0-0	1-0
Leading after the 3rd quarter	0-0	30-1
Tied after the 3rd quarter	0-0	1-1
Trailing after the 1st quarter	0-1	2-19
Trailing after the 2nd quarter	0-2	0-23
Trailing after the 3rd quarter	0-3	0-26
In Overtime games	0-0	0-1
Byrd's Record When Allowing	2026	Ballew
14 or fewer points	0-0	16-0
24 or fewer points	0-0	12-4
25+ points	0-3	4-24
Less than 200 total yards	0-0	9-0
Less than 300 total yards	0-0	8-3
Less than 400 total yards	0-1	10-6
400+ total yards	0-2	6-20
100+ yards rushing	0-3	16-25
200+ yards passing	0-2	9-15
A 100-yard rusher	0-1	12-20
A 200-yard passer	0-2	9-16
A 100-yard receiver	0-2	10-16

FAMOUS FOOTBALL ALUMS

Joe Almokary, LSU	J. Bennett Johnston, USMA, US Senator
Joseph Garnet "Red" Baird, LSU	Rube Leisk, LSU, NFL
Conway Baker, Centenary, NFL	Jack Pyburn, Texas A&M, NFL
Arnaz Battle, Notre Dame, NFL	Dan Sandifer, LSU, NFL
Chris Beard, LSU, Arena	Jonathan Stewart, Texas A&M, NFL
Carson Bruno, La. Tech, TCU	Dixie Stokes, Centenary, NFL
Billy Bundrick, La. Tech, Surgeon	Pat Studstill, Houston, NFL, CFL
Bo Campbell, LSU, NFL	Mercer Tenille, Centenary
Richard Carthon, Tulane	Mike Turner, LSU, NFL
Jordan Davis, Country Music Artist	Zack Ward, USMA, 11th 10th Mtn. Division
Richard Gay, Texas A&M	Kieron Williams, Nebraska, USFL
Isaac Hagins, Southern, NFL	David Woodley, LSU, NFL
Jim Harlan, Howard Payne, NFL	
Liffort Hobley, LSU, NFL	

BYRD BANTER

Offensive Lineman Love

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 lineman is recognized is when his number is called after committing a penalty. In week one, the O-Line paved the way for the Jackets' offense to amass 555 yards of total offense, including 529 rushing yards, the third highest single-game total in school history. Their blocking allowed Christian Maxie to set the school and city rushing records of 429 yards. Through the first threegames, Byrd is averaging 409.7 yards of total offense. For 14 consecutive seasons Byrd had at least one First-Team All-District offensive lineman until last season. Since 1993, 38 Yellow Jackets' offensive linemen have been named First-Team All-District. For the third straight season, offensive line coach Craig Harris is selecting a "Lineman of the Week" based on his grading system. He had this to say about his group, "A tough week, and not our standard. Our output as a unit fell short, and the slow start and breakdowns in communication are well below what we expect from this group. Communication is the point of emphasis this week. We fought back in the second half, but four quarters is the standard, not two." Our new Offensive Lineman of the Week is Dax Marshall. "Dax converted from tackle to tight end, gives up size to the guys across from him, and battled every single snap on his way to 10 knockdowns," said Harris. "He brought the kind of intensity this group has been missing for several weeks. That's the challenge for the rest of the line: match Dax's intensity. If they do, there's only one direction for this unit to go from here."

The 2026 Schedule and Polls

Eight of the 10 opponents on Byrd's 2026 schedule advanced to the playoffs in 2025. The Jackets opened the season against the Ouachita Lions, who are the defending Non-Select Division I Champions. After their big 21-14 win over Ruston in the Ceaser's Superdome last Saturday, the defending Select Division I State Champion Edna Karr Cougars were the unanimous No. 1 ranked team in both the Louisiana Sports Writer's Association and Crescent City Sports polls. The loss dropped the Ruston Bearcats to No. 2 in the LSWA poll and No. 5 in the CCS poll. None of the teams in District 1-5A were ranked in either poll this week. Last week's opponent, the North DeSoto Griffins, are ranked No. 2 in the LSWA's Class 4A poll and No. 1 in the CCS poll. This week's opponent, the Pleasant Grove Hawks, are ranked fourth in Class 4A Division II according to Dave Campbell's Texas Football. The Shreveport-Bossier Journal has the Calvary Cavaliers as the No. 1 team in its weekly Top 10. In this week's SBJ poll, which ranks teams located in Caddo and Bossier parishes, Airline is 2, Parkway 3, Evangel 5, Captain Shreve 6, Haughton 8, and Benton 10.

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." 2026 marks the 102nd season of Byrd Yellow Jackets Football. The Byrd Alumni Association boasts that it is one of the largest alumni organizations in the nation. In addition to head coach Stacy Ballew (1996), there are seven 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: Billy Beene (1996), Craig Harris (1997), Ronnie Buckingham (2004), Rahkeem Mitchell (2009), Jalen Bowers (2013), Carlos Doss (2017) and Shimorye Hampton (2017).

Alumni Report

Former Byrd Yellow Jackets in the collegiate ranks in 2026 are Asher Murray at Texas A&M, Abram Murray at the University of Louisiana Monroe, wide receiver Jackson Dufrene at Nicholls State University, defensive lineman Darell Cottonham, Jr., at Louisiana Christian University, linebacker Makarios "Junior" Brown and defensive lineman Ian Gray at Southern Arkansas University, punter/kicker Jackson Cooper at Lamar University, defensive back James Logan at Capital University (Ohio), linebacker Devon Strickland at Centenary College and quarterback J.D. Gallman at Kansas Wesleyan.

A Look Ahead

On Friday, Oct. 2, the C.E. Byrd Yellow Jackets will travel across the Red River to the town of Benton where they will begin District 1-5A play against the Tigers. Kickoff is scheduled for 7 p.m. at Benton's Tiger Stadium, which is located on the campus of Benton Middle School.

Did You Know...

That Pleasant Grove isn't the only school from the Texarkana that Byrd has played in its history. Byrd has played Texas High 20 times and holds a 14-5-1 record against the Tigers. Arkansas High (Ark.) beat Byrd in the previous two meetings in 1968-69.

CAREER SCORING LEADERS

Rk	Player (Years)	TDs	1PT	2PT	FG	Pts
1.	Arnaz Battle (1994-97)	50	0	3	0	306
2.	Justan Gibson (2004-06)	47	0	2	0	286
3.	Richard Carthon (2009-11)	44	0	0	0	264
4.	Brandon Nightingale (1998-00)	42	0	1	0	254
5.	Christian Maxie (2024-26)	38	0	2	0	232
6.	Dominic Haggerty (2012-14)	35	0	0	0	210
7.	Rodney Hill (1997-00)	32	0	3	0	198
8.	Jake Hanna (1926)	24	32	0	7	197
9.	Mercer Tenille (1927)	30	10	0	2	196
10.	Bucky Bryan (1931)	27	9	0	0	171

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INDIVIDUAL GAME RUSHING PERFORMANCES

Player	Carries	Yards
1. Christian Maxie at Ouachita (2026)	40	429
2. Charles Ball vs. Huntington (1990)	24	407
3. Richard Gay vs. Springhill (1954)	31	364
4. Jalin Thomas vs. Parkway (2017)	27	342
5. Christian Maxie vs. Benton (2025)	32	341
6. Brandon Nightingale vs. Evangel (2000)	21	323
7. Marlon Songer vs. Bolton (1953)	16	296
8. Christian Maxie vs. Parkway (2024)	8	291
9. Lake Lambert vs. Alexandria (2022)	8	267
10. Christian Maxie at Ouachita (2026)	24	265
11. Justan Gibson vs. Captain Shreve (2004)	21	255
12. Collin Deere vs. Haughton (2025)	35	253
13. Charlie Barham vs. Captain Shreve (2018)	29	248
14. Charlie Barham vs. Calvary (2018)	14	243
15. Brandon Nightingale vs. Ouachita (2000)	24	241
16. Jerome Bryant vs. BTW (1981)	15	240
17. Christian Maxie vs. Evangel (2025)	17	230
18. Collin Deere vs. Parkway (2025)	30	228
19. Brittain White vs. Airline (2007)	25	226
20. Justan Gibson vs. Ouachita (2005)	25	224

INDIVIDUAL GAME PASSING PERFORMANCES

Player	C-A	Yards
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	Yards
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 Jernigan 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. Ouachita (2026)	60	529	4
4. Parkway (2021)	52	512	5
5. Alexandria (2022, P)	31	475	7
6. New Iberia (2010)	46	467	3
7. Benton (2023)	53	466	6
8. West Jefferson (2011, P)	53	465	7
9. Captain Shreve (2018)	59	462	4
10. Calvary (2015)	57	455	7
11. Huntington (2021)	55	442	5
12. Huntington (2008)	51	439	6
13. Southwood (2017)	54	428	6
14. Evangel (2025)	51	424	4
15. Huntington (2022)	46	423	6
Huntington (1990)	39	423	4
17. Benton (2021)	50	421	5
18. Alexandria (2024, P)	59	412	3
Airline (2021)	48	412	7
20. Natchitoches Central (2009)	40	402	6

JACKET JARGON

All In the Fullwood Family

As previously mentioned, sophomore quarterback Aden Fullwood is a Byrd Yellow Jacket legacy. Aden's father Albert Fullwood played football and ran track at Byrd. Albert went on to Louisiana Tech where he became a star sprinter for the Bulldogs. Albert holds the all-time Louisiana Tech outdoor program record in the 400-Meter Dash with a blazing time of 45.72 seconds, set on May 28, 2010, at the NCAA Regionals in Greensboro, North Carolina. In 2010, Fullwood swept the Western Athletic Conference (WAC) Indoor Championships by winning individual titles in both the 200m (21.25s) and 400m (48.04s), while also anchoring the championship-winning 4x400m relay team. He was named the Western Athletic Conference Track Performer of the Year: He was previously named the WAC Outdoor Track Performer of the Year in 2009. Ashton Fullwood is a member of the Shreveport Fire Department. Ashton and his wife, Jeryn, welcomed a son and future Jacket, Asher, into the world earlier this year.

Where Did Everybody Go?

Coming into the 2026 season, Byrd was expecting to have a potent offensive attack. The Jackets were expecting a senior laden backfield led by Christian Maxie at one wing, Peter Santiago at the other wing, Collin Deere at fullback and Jackson Davis at quarterback. Santiago suffered a season-ending knee injury in 2025 and has been slow to fully recover, which has limited his carries this season. Deere, who was nine yards shy of 1,000 before having his '25 season cut short by a knee injury, and Davis were both suspended indefinitely before this season began. Senior receivers Logan Carlson and Jonathan Harris give the Jackets viable threats both receiving and running the ball. However, Carlson was just recently cleared to play, and did have a reception against North DeSoto. Harris, who is an outstanding athlete that played quarterback last year, has yet to play a down this season due to an undisclosed injury. Byrd has had to turn to Trenton Henderson at fullback, Traylon Johnson and Elijah Stephens at wings and Kayden Jones at receiver. All have contributed in their own way, but Maxie has wonder at times, where did everybody go?

Where Are They Now?

After finishing his incredible track career at Louisiana Tech, Albert Fullwood became a licensed professional counselor (LPC) and social worker practicing in the Shreveport area. He specializes in psychiatric mental health and psychotherapy, providing behavioral health services and counseling for children, adolescents, and adults. Albert is trained and experienced in a wide variety of health conditions and clinical disorders associated with their specialty providing the highest standard of patient care.

1905 SHS Football Team - The Original Yellow Jackets

While cleaning out the equipment room last year, coach Wade Leone found a very old piece of paper. On it was the roster and results of the 1905 Shreveport High School football team, the original Yellow Jackets. The roster included: Alan Reed, end; Walter Leabo, tackle; Leland Baird, guard; Stalky Robinson, center; Herman Strauss, guard; Willis Butler, tackle, Willie Dickinson, end; Ike Turner, halfback; Levi Hulsizer, fullback; Albert Dreyfuss, halfback; Hayes Meriwether, quarterback; Fred Dizell, alternate guard; Frazier Francisco, alternate; Leonard Dreyfuss and Bob Bates. After suffering a 15-0 loss to the Shreveport Athletic Association in the first-ever football game played in Shreveport, the SHS Yellow Jackets won five straight games, including avenging the loss to the SAA, to finish 5-1.

Former Jackets In the Coaching Ranks

In addition to former Yellow Jacket quarterback Jeremy Wilburn, who is the head coach at Captain Shreve, there are a few more former Byrd players serving as head coaches in the high school ranks. Nicholas Peoples, who holds the career interceptions record (10) at Byrd, is the head coach at Green Oaks. Former Jacket Chadwick Lewis was the head coach at Southwest High School in Little Rock, Ark., before moving on to become the Assistant Athletics Director for the Little Rock School District. Christopher Wilson, who played at Byrd from 2009-11, is the head coach of the North Webster Knights. Former Byrd player, coach and assistant principal, Jerry Byrd, Jr., is the head coach of the Plain Dealing Lions. Current Captain Shreve principal and former head football coach Bryant Sepulveda played and coached at Byrd.

Congratulations Is In Order

Congratulations to former Jacket defensive lineman Ben Martinson who is getting married this weekend. Ben's father, Kirk, is the color commentator on Byrd Football broadcasts.

SEASON SCORING LEADERS

Rk	Player (Year)	TDs	1PT	2PT	FG	Pts
1.	Joe Almokary (1928)	26	8	0	0	164
2.	Richard Carthon (2011)	26	0	0	0	156
3.	Brandon Nightingale (2000)	23	0	1	0	140
4.	Christian Maxie (2025)	23	0	0	0	138
5.	Justan Gibson (2005)	21	0	1	0	128
6.	Amaz Battle (1995)	20	0	1	0	122
7.	Rodney Hill (2000)	19	0	3	0	120
8.	Justan Gibson (2006)	19	0	1	0	116
9.	Mercer Tenille (1927)	16	9	0	2	111
10.	Richard Carthon (2010)	18	0	0	0	108
	Frank Pernici (1955)	18	0	0	0	108

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SEASON KICKING LEADERS

Rk.	Player (Year)	FG	PAT	Long	Points
1.	Asher Murray (2024)	12	44	*56	80
2.	Ben Eldredge (2009)	10	24	42	54
3.	John Shaughnessy (2008)	9	36	*56	63
	John Shaughnessy (2007)	9	33	47	60
5.	David Hankins (2006)	8	31	48	55
6.	Morgan Burke (1992)	7	15		36
7.	Asher Murray (2025)	6	32	54	50
	Abram Murray (2023)	6	38	45	56
	Scotty Roblow (2018)	6	30	44	48
	Pete Dupée (2003)	6	22	46	40
10.	Michael Hamauei (2021)	5	40	42	55
	Ben Smith (2016)	5	12	44	27
	Jake Wyss (2014)	5	58	37	73
	Jake Wyss (2012)	5	0	42	15
	Brandon Menard (2010)	5	22	38	37
	Chuck McBee (1993)	5	26	40	41

*denotes school, city and parishes record

CAREER KICKING LEADERS

Rk.	Player (Years)	FG	PAT	Long	Points
1.	Asher Murray (2024-25)	18	76	56*	148 (3 TD)
	John Shaughnessy (2007-08)	18	69	56*	123
3.	David Hankins (2004-06)	16	73	49	121
4.	Jake Wyss (2012-14)	13	119	42	158
5.	Ben Eldredge (2007-09)	10	25	42	55
6.	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
10.	Brandon Menard (2009-11)	7	96	38	117
	Jake Hanna (1924-26)	7	32		197 (24 TD)

* denotes school, city and parishes record

SEASON TACKLES LEADERS (SINCE 2002)

Rk.	Player (Year)	U	A	Total
1.	Sam Greer (2024)	70	66	136
2.	Paul Dupée (2007)	75	49	124
	Mike Turner (1976)	84	20	124
4.	Brooks Brossette (2022)	88	27	115
5.	Ethan Sipes (2024)	65	48	113
6.	Pat Thomas (2005)	58	50	108
7.	Jonathan Stewart (2007)	63	44	107
8.	Brooks Brossette (2021)	84	22	106
9.	Brad Petree (2002)	63	38	101
10.	Sam Greer (2023)	38	60	98

CAREER TACKLES LEADERS (SINCE 2002)

Rk.	Player (Years)	U	A	Total
1.	Paul Dupée (2005-07)	151	114	265
2.	Sam Greer (2022-24)	109	130	239
3.	Brooks Brossette (2020-22)	181	52	233
4.	Scotty Dickson (2006-08)	149	79	228
5.	Jonathan Stewart (2006-08)	131	82	213
6.	Pat Thomas (2004-06)	116	87	203
7.	Travis Gibson (2008-10)	138	48	186
8.	Will Anglin (2009-11)	143	30	173
9.	Brayden Hermes (2018-20)	130	38	168
10.	Krishun Cash (2012-14)	128	39	167

CAREER TACKLES-FOR-LOSS LEADERS (SINCE 2002)

Rk.	Player (Years)	TFL	Yds
1.	Scotty Dickson (2007-08)	44	193
2.	Krishun Cash (2012-14)	31	96
3.	Brooks Brossette (2020-22)	29	101
4.	Makarios "Junior" Brown (2018-20)	27	117
5.	Gabe McDonald (2012-14)	27	100
6.	Sam Greer (2022-24)	26	111
7.	Paul Dupée (2005-07)	25	101
8.	Chandler Nance (2011-13)	24	123
	Treyvon Sims (2010-11)	23	95
10.	Shimorye Hampton (2014-16)	20	71

CAREER INTERCEPTION LEADERS (SINCE 2002)

Rk.	Player (Years)	Int	Yds	TDs
1.	Nicholas Peoples (2009-11)	10	172	0
2.	Kaiden Abraham-Miller (2022-24)	7	50	0
	Brayden Hermes (2018-20)	7	66	0
4.	Will Anglin (2009-11)	6	55	1
5.	James Logan (2022-24)	5	133	0
	Chris Grieder (2018-20)	5	25	0
	Trent Jones (2013-15)	5	172	0
	Luther Dallas (2013-15)	5	117	2
	Tim Brown (2006-08)	5	78	1
	Detrick Taylor (2002-04)	5	20	1
	JaCory Wright (2010-12)	5	43	0

YELLOW JACKET YACK YACK

Vaughn Glover and Keonta Eason Into Safety Spots

Juniors Vaughn Glover and Keonta Eason have eased into their safety spots this season. Both played in four games last season and both registered six tackles apiece. Eason added an interception against Natchitoches Central. This season, the duo lead the team with 12 solo tackles each. Eason is tied with Conrad Hilliard for the team lead with 18 total tackles, while Glover is third with 12. Eason picked off Ouachita quarterback Lester Watts' pass at midfield in the opener. That interception led to a Byrd touchdown. The safety duo will be counted upon heavily again this week against Pleasant Grove's spread offense that's averaging 36.5 points per game.

Looking For a Few Good Men

From 2020 through 2024, at least one Byrd linebacker was among the top two tacklers on the Purple Swarm Defense. From 2021 through 2024, Brooks Brossette (2), Sam Greer (2), and Ethan Sipes (1) registered five of the Top 10 spots for tackles in a season. Brossette and Greer were both District and City Defensive Most Valuable Players in their respective senior seasons. Greer and Brossette, who both wore No. 3, sit in second and third place, respectively, on the career tackles list. Last season, linebacker Madden Cromer finished behind safety Ja'Cari Williams for the top tackler spot. This season, linebackers Ben Ezernack and Charlie Sepulvado currently sit in sixth and seventh place on the team with 10 and seven tackles, respectively. Like the U.S. Marines Corps, coach Stacy Ballew and linebackers coach Jalen Bowers are looking for a few good men, more specifically linebackers, to elevate their level of play and lead the Byrd defense.

From One Jacket to Another

In 1990, Byrd running back Charles Ball set the school and city single-game rushing record with 407 yards against the Huntington Raiders. Christian Maxie broke that record last week with 429 rushing yards against Ouachita. Currently, Ball serves as a captain with the Shreveport Fire Department.

Over the Airwaves

Byrd football has been broadcast live on The Tiger (KWKH) for over 30 years. Charlie Cavell is in his 29th season behind the microphone as the "Voice of the Byrd Yellow Jackets" calling the play-by-play action. Dr. Kirk Martinson is the color analyst, while former Yellow Jacket defensive back Dominique Wilson provides sideline reports. Marc Weddleton and Chad Ardoin are the statisticians. Former Jackets Jason Little and Clark Harp are frequent contributors. 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 in the world.

Who Was Lee Hedges?

Lee Hedges Stadium is named in honor of legendary football coach Lee Hedges, who passed away on July 9, 2023, at the age of 93. Who was Lee Hedges? Lee Hedges 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 Class 4A 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 stood atop the record books as the most for any coach in the history of Caddo-Bossier football until 2025 when that mark was surpassed by Calvary head coach Rodney Guin.

Salute to Service

Throughout the 102 years of Byrd Football numerous former players have entered into military service. One of the most notable former Jackets currently on the coaching staff, Billy Beene, served our great nation in the United States Marine Corps. A highly decorated Marine, Beene spent 20 years in the Corps. As a recruiter, Beene is looking for those who have the metal to be called a United States Marine.

Well Wishes for Suggs

The City of Byrd wishes former head coach Mike Suggs a speedy recovery from a medical procedure. Suggs spent 30 years at the Line Avenue school and is the all-time winningest coach in Yellow Jackets Football history, and he is in the Byrd Athletics Hall of Fame.

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.	Amaz 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

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

Kickoff Return for TD

Byrd: 95, Christian Maxie vs. St. Amant, 9/5/25
Opp: 49, Gabe Lockett, Captain Shreve, 11/6/25

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: 10, Ian Gray vs. Haughton, 9/13/24
Opp: 35, Imari Speed, Natchitoches Central, 10/17/25

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: 33-0 vs. John Ehret, 9/26/25
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: Christian Maxie rush at Ouachita, 9/3/26
Opp: Jamarcea Plater rush, Captain Shreve, 11/6/25
Gabe Lockett rush, Captain Shreve, 11/6/25

Blocked A Punt

Byrd: Team vs. Southwood, 10/27/23
Opp: Jameson Voigt, Haughton, 9/12/25

Blocked A Field Goal or Extra Point

Byrd: Team vs. Airline, PAT, 9/10/26
Opp: Team, Captain Shreve, PAT, 11/6/25

Missed An Extra Point Kick

Byrd: 1, Jackson Dowe at North DeSoto, 9/18/26
Opp: 1, Dylan Johnson, Airline, 9/10/26

100-Yard Rushing Game

Byrd: 141, Christian Maxie vs. North DeSoto, 9/18/26
Opp: 190, Carter McClinton, Ouachita, 9/3/26
116, Lester Watts III, Ouachita, 9/3/26

200-Yard Rushing Game

Byrd: 265, Christian Maxie vs. Airline, 9/10/26
Opp: 225, Peyton Houston, Evangel, 9/19/25

300-Yard Rushing Game

Byrd: 341, Christian Maxie vs. Benton, 10/24/25
Opp: None

400-Yard Rushing Game

Byrd: 429, Christian Maxie at Ouachita, 9/3/26*
Opp: None

100-Yard Passing Game

Byrd: 146, Lake Lambert vs. Calvary, 9/15/22
Opp: 190, Jackson Gaskin, Captain Shreve, 11/6/25

200-Yard Passing Game

Byrd: 209, Alex Walton vs. Southwood, 9/24/09
Opp: 268, Mason Smith, North DeSoto, 9/18/26

300-Yard Passing Game

Byrd: 330, James Johnson vs. Captain Shreve, 1971
Opp: 334, Peyton Houston, Evangel, 9/19/25

400-Yard Passing Game

Opp: 489, Malachi Zeigler, Benton, 10/24/25

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: 113, Miller Warren, North DeSoto, 9/18/26

200-Yard Receiving Game

Byrd: 210, Kevin Stevenson vs. Airline, 1995
Opp: 289, Ethan Johnson, Haughton, 9/12/25*

60+ Yard Punt

Byrd: 65, Abram Murray vs. Captain Shreve, 9/21/23
Opp: 62, Joemiah Robinson, Huntington, 10/11/24

40+ Yard Field Goal

Byrd: 46, Asher Murray vs. John Ehret, 9/26/25
Opp: 42, Mateo Restrepo, Natchitoches Central, 11/4/22

50+ Yard Field Goal

Byrd: 54, Asher Murray vs. Airline, 10/31/25

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

Byrd: Christian Maxie, (3 rush) at Ouachita, 9/3/26
Opp: Chase Williams, (3 pass), Airline, 9/10/26

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

Byrd: Collin Deere, (4 rush) vs. Haughton, 9/12/25
Opp: Mason Smith, (3 pass, 1 rush), North DeSoto, 9/18/26

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

Byrd: Christian Maxie, (6 rush, 1 pass) vs. Benton, 10/24/25*
Opp: Malachi Zeigler, (5 pass), Benton, 10/24/25

Three Rushing TDs In A Game

Byrd: Christian Maxie at Ouachita, 9/3/26
Opp: Jamarcea Plater, Captain Shreve, 11/6/25

Four Rushing TDs In A Game

Byrd: Collin Deere vs. Haughton, 9/12/25
Opp: Carter McClinton, Ouachita, 9/3/26

5+ Rushing TDs In A Game

Byrd: Christian Maxie (6) vs. Benton, 10/24/25*
Opp: None

Three Passing TDs In A Game

Byrd: Amaz Battle vs. Airline, 1995
Opp: Mason Smith, North DeSoto, 9/18/26

Three Receiving TDs In A Game

Byrd: Kevin Stevenson vs. Airline, 1995
Opp: Ethan Johnson, Haughton, 9/12/25

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: Malachi Zeigler (5), Benton, 10/24/25

TD Run 50-59 Yards

Byrd: 53, Christian Maxie at Ouachita, 9/3/26
Opp: 54, Jalen Abraham, Evangel, 11/16/18

TD Run 60-69 Yards

Byrd: 62 & 60, Malachi Johnson vs. Haughton, 10/6/23
Opp: 61 & 67, Carter McClinton, Ouachita, 9/3/26

TD Run 70-79 Yards

Byrd: 79, Christian Maxie vs. Haughton, 10/17/25
Opp: 74, Joshua Ware, Southwood, 11/4/21

TD Run 80-89 Yards

Byrd: 88, Christian Maxie vs. Airline, 9/10/26
Opp: 80, Kelton Howard, Natchitoches, 10/17/25

TD Run 90-99 Yards

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

TD Pass 50-59 Yards

Byrd: 53, Harrison Ayres to Quinton Hilliard vs. Alexandria (P), 11/29/24
Opp: 59, Mason Smith to Khy Johnson, North DeSoto, 9/18/26

TD Pass 60-69 Yards

Byrd: 62, Jackson Davis to Christian Maxie vs. Captain Shreve, 11/6/25
Opp: 67, Jackson Gaskin to Keith Bolton, Captain Shreve, 11/6/25

TD Pass 70-79 Yards

Byrd: 70, Lake Lambert to William Berry vs. East Ascension, 10/30/20
Opp: 72, Kaleb Williams to Gary Burney, Parkway, 10/3/25

TD Pass 80-89 Yards

Byrd: 84, Amaz Battle to Kevin Stevenson vs. Airline, 1995
Opp: 80, Malachi Zeigler to Case Austin, Benton, 10/24/25

TD Pass 90-99 Yards

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

* School, City record or record against Byrd

POINTS OFF TURNOVERS

Byrd-Forced Turnovers

Game 1 • Ouachita Lions

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
Interception	3 Plays, 50 Yards, 1:08 TOP	Touchdown

Game 2 • Airline Vikings

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
None		

Game 3 • North DeSoto Griffins

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
None		

Game 4 • Pleasant Grove Hawks

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
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Game 5 • Benton Tigers

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
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Game 6 • Huntington Raiders

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
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Game 7 • Haughton Buccaneers

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
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Game 8 • Evangel Eagles

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
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Game 9 • Parkway Panthers

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
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Game 10 • Captain Shreve Gators

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
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2026 Season Totals: 1 Forced Turnovers – 1 TD, 1 FG, 0 Missed FGs, 0 Punts, 0 Turnovers, 0 End of Half, 0 Downs

Opponents-Forced Turnovers

Game 1 • Ouachita Lions

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
Fumble	1 Play, 61 Yards, 0:05 TOP	Touchdown

Game 2 • Airline Vikings

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
Interception	5 Plays, 35 Yards, 0:40 TOP	Touchdown

Game 3 • North DeSoto Griffins

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
Fumble	4 Plays, 3 Yards, 0:58 TOP	Field Goal

Game 4 • Pleasant Grove Hawks

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
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Game 5 • Benton Tigers

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
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Game 6 • Huntington Raiders

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
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Game 7 • Haughton Buccaneers

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
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Game 8 • Evangel Eagles

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
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Game 9 • Parkway Panthers

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
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Game 10 • Captain Shreve Gators

Acquired	Ensuing Drive	Result
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2026 Season Totals: 7 Forced Turnovers – 2 TD, 2 FG, 0 Missed FGs, 0 Punts, 1 Turnovers, 1 End of Half, 1 Downs

LONGEST SCORING PLAYS

Longest Rushing Touchdowns

99, Frankie Sabbath vs. El Dorado, AR, 1981
97, Lake Lambert vs. Alexandria, 2022 (P)
95, Lake Lambert vs. Huntington, 2022
94, Justan Gibson vs. Holy Cross, 2005 (P)
92, Louis Mills vs. Bastrop, 2013
91, Spanky McCoy vs. Fair Park, 1953
91, Willard Rachal vs. Bolton, 1949
88, Christian Maxie vs. Airline, 2026
87, Mitchell Ramsey vs. Parkway, 2021
86, Christian Maxie vs. Huntington, 2025
86, Richard Carthon vs. Southwood, 2010
85, Harrison Ayres vs. Alexandria, 2024 (P)
85, Alex Walton vs. Captain Shreve, 2009
85, Brandon Huckaby vs. Natchitoches Central, 1998
82, Gene Hunt vs. North Caddo, 1964
80, Tysen Hardman vs. East Ascension, 2014 (P)
80, Justan Gibson vs. Captain Shreve, 2005
79, Christian Maxie vs. Natchitoches Central 2025
77, Desmond Simmons vs. Huntington, 2024
77, Joey Jernigan vs. Airline, 2015
77, Dominic Haggerty vs. Mansfield, 2013
76, Christian Maxie vs. Parkway, 2024
76, Tony Griffin vs. Airline, 2012
76, Richard Carthon vs. West Monroe, 2011
76, Tremmell Casey vs. Natchitoches Central, 2002
75, Quinton Hilliard vs. Huntington, 2024

Longest Passing and Receiving Touchdowns

98, Dale Sandifer from Edgar Galloway vs. Ruston, 1950
87, Steve Hansford from James Johnson vs. Capt. Shreve, 1971
84, Kevin Stevenson from Amaz Battle vs. Airline, 1995
78, Tony Griffin from J.D. Lorence vs. Barbe, 2012 (P)
75, Mitchell Ramsey from Logan Pons vs. Parkway, 2019
74, Zarrell Sanders from Clint Bickham vs. Parkway, 2007
70, William Berry from Lake Lambert vs. East Ascension, 2020
70, Brandon Hudgens from Richard Carthon vs. Tioga, 2010

Longest Kickoff Returns for Touchdowns

99, Jalin Thomas vs. Haughton, 2017
95, Christian Maxie vs. St. Amant, 2025
95, Rodney Hill vs. Natchitoches Central, 2000
95, Spanky McCoy vs. Sulphur, 1954
94, Mitchell Ramsey vs. Calvary, 2020
93, Brandon Huckaby vs. Southwood, 1999
92, Dominic Haggerty vs. Calvary, 2014
92, Bill Parker vs. Ruston, 1967
92, Frank Pernici vs. Bossier, 1955
92, Frank Pernici vs. Bolton, 1955

Longest Punt Returns for Touchdowns

98, Frederick Wade, 1982
94, Kevin Stevenson vs. Parkway, 1995
91, Dan Brown vs. Haynesville, 1951
81, Orlando Thrash vs. Ruston, 1981
79, Mitchell Ramsey vs. Maumelle, 2021
78, Jalin Thomas vs. Barbe, 2015
78, Dean Mann vs. Bastrop, 1960
76, Nicholas Peoples vs. Rummel, 2011 (P)
75, Brent Smith vs. Fair Park, 2003
71, Anthony Hall vs. Captain Shreve, 1995
70, Frederick Wade, 1982

Longest Interception Returns for Touchdowns

100, Liffort Hobley vs. Northwood, 1979
95, Billy Bundrick vs. Ouachita, 1954
95, James Haygood vs. Bolton, 1944
95, James Sweeney vs. Bolton, 1936
90, Shelby Cage vs. Airline, 1993

Longest Fumble Returns for Touchdowns

89, Anthony Hall vs. Fair Park, 1993
80, Demario Hughes vs. Airline, 2000
77, Trent Touchet vs. Parkway, 2015
72, Leon Thompson vs. Airline, 1970
70, Jude Partington vs. Benton, 2022
60, Mike Taylor vs. Fontainebleau, 2014 (P)
58, Lucillious Henderson vs. Southwood, 2011

48, Treyvon Sims vs. Airline, 2011

Longest Blocked Punt Returns for Touchdowns

33, Tyler Johnson vs. Bastrop, 2013
26, Rodney Hill vs. Huntington, 1999
25, Demario Hughes vs. Booker T. Washington, 2000

Longest Field Goals

56, Asher Murray vs. Benton, 2024*
56, John Shaughnessy vs. Airline, 2008* (P)
54, Asher Murray vs. Airline, 2025
52, Asher Murray vs. Alexandria, 2024 (P)
50, Asher Murray vs. Parkway, 2025
50, Asher Murray vs. Woodlawn BR, 2024 (P)
49, Abram Murray vs. Captain Shreve, 2022
49, David Hankins vs. Woodlawn, 2005
48, David Hankins vs. Natchitoches Central, 2006
48, Jason Bland vs. Mansfield, 1989
47, John Shaughnessy vs. Captain Shreve, 2007
47, John Shaughnessy vs. Captain Shreve, 2008
47, Jim Ryan vs. West Monroe, 1962

* denotes school, city and parishes record
(P) denotes playoffs game

2026 YARDSTICKS

Byrd	14	9	6	8	- 37
Ouachita	7	9	14	14	- 44

BHS - Trenton Henderson 18 run (Nash Alexander kick)
OPHS - Seneca Battle 57 pass from Lester Watts (Oscar Hernandez kick)
BHS - Christian Maxie 26 run (Alexander kick)
BHS - Maxie 54 run (kick failed)
OPHS - Watts 6 run (kick failed)
BHS - Alexander 22 field goal
OPHS - Hernandez 29 field goal
OPHS - Carter McClinton 1 run (Hernandez kick)
BHS - Maxie 5 run (kick failed)
OPHS - McClinton 18 run (Hernandez kick)
OPHS - McClinton 61 run (Hernandez kick)
OPHS - McClinton 67 run (Hernandez kick)
BHS - Kayden Jones 26 pass from Leo Ezernack (Maxie rush)

	BHS	OPHS
First Downs	23	17
Rushing Yards	60-529	35-282
Passing Yards	26	159
Passes (A-C-I)	1-4-0	8-22-1
Punts-Avg.	1-33.0	2-25.5
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	0-0
Penalties-Yards	7-96	6-77

Individual Leaders

Rushing - BHS: Maxie 40-429, Henderson 14-80, Traylon Johnson 2-15, Ezernack 4-5; OPHS: McClinton 13-190, Watts 13-116, Antonio Sharpley 2-11, Keivon Madison 2-1, Braxton Elliot 1-0, R.J. Brown 4-(-36).
Passing - BHS: Ezernack 1-4-0 26; OPHS: Watts 8-22-1 159.
Receiving - BHS: K. Jones 1-26; OPHS: Battle 2-64, Lewis Carter 2-19, Jaylan Robinson 1-57, Travis Gray 1-7, Ashtyn Johnson 1-7, McClinton 1-5.

Airline	13	13	7	7	- 40
Byrd	7	7	0	7	- 21

AHS - Preston Hughes 19 pass from Chase Williams (Dylan Johnson kick)
BHS - Trenton Henderson 3 run (Nash Alexander kick)
AHS - Hughes 5 pass from Williams (rush failed)
BHS - Christian Maxie 48 run (Alexander kick)
AHS - Chris Hart 9 run (Johnson kick)
AHS - Caleb Nunn 23 pass from Williams (kick blocked)
AHS - Nunn 25 run (Johnson kick)
AHS - Williams 5 run (Johnson kick)
BHS - Maxie 88 run (Alexander kick)

	AHS	BHS
First Downs	23	15
Rushing Att -Yards	28-109	45-333
Passing Yards	266	17
Passes (C-A-I)	20-30-0	2-5-1
Punts-Avg.	0-0	1-41.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	4-35	8-51

Individual Leaders

Rushing - AHS: Hart 13-58, Nunn 4-47, Tyler Goodloe 2-7, Drew Warren 1-4, Nathan White 2-2, Legend Allen 3-0, Terrance Hays 1-(-3), Williams 2-(-6); BHS: Maxie 24-265, Henderson 11-44, Leo Ezernack 6-39, Peter Santiago 1-1, Alexander 1-(-2), Traylon Johnson 1-(-6), Team 1-(-8).
Passing - AHS: Williams 20-30-1 266; BHS: Ezernack 2-5-1 17.
Receiving - AHS: Hughes 8-112, Nunn 4-64, Warren 4-34, Justin Woodfork 2-32, Josh Papion 2-24; BHS: Henderson 1-9, Kayden Jones 1-8.

Byrd	7	0	0	13	- 20
North DeSoto	7	21	10	0	- 38

ND - Braylon Moore 18 pass from Mason Smith (Dakota Denney kick)
BHS - Trenton Henderson 1 run (Jackson Dowe kick)
ND - Miller Warren 7 pass from Smith (Denney kick)
ND - Khy Johnson 59 pass from Smith (Dakota Denney kick)
ND - Smith 7 run (Denney kick)
ND - Denney 34 field goal
ND - Hayden Bell 3 run (Denney kick)
BHS - Christian Maxie 26 pass from Aden Fullwood (Dowe kick)
BHS - Maxie 26 run (kick failed)

	BHS	ND
First Downs	16	18
Rushing Att -Yards	58-254	30-185
Passing Yards	70	268
Passes (C-A-I)	4-6-1	19-26-0
Punts-Avg.	4-43.8	3-17.7
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	6-92	6-31

Individual Leaders

Rushing - BHS: Maxie 25-141, Fullwood 11-62, Henderson 13-36, Traylon Johnson 4-27, Kayden Jones 1-16, Eli Stephens 1-(-1), Peter Santiago 1-(-10), Team 2-(-14); ND: Derik White 14-80, Steven Sims 7-50, Bell 5-46, Smith 4-9.
Passing - BHS: Fullwood 4-6-1 70; ND: Smith 19-26-0 268.
Receiving - BHS: Maxie 2-38, Stephens 1-18, Logan Carlson 1-14; ND: Warren 7-113, Moore 4-47, Christian Ashworth 3-15, Johnson 2-63, Chris Kennedy 2-63, White 1-10, Colton LaCour 1-9.

OPPONENT'S SCHEDULES / RESULTS

OUACHITA LIONS



9/4 vs. ByrdW, 44-37
 9/11 at WossmanW, 43-28
 9/18 at Neville L, 49-0
 9/25 vs. Sterlington 7 PM
 10/2 at Central BR 7 PM
 10/9 vs. Ruston* 7 PM
 10/16 vs. West Monroe* 7 PM
 10/23 at Peabody* 7 PM
 10/30 vs. Alexandria* 7 PM
 11/6 at Pineville* 7 PM

AIRLINE VIKINGS



9/4 vs. Wossman..... W, 48-42
 9/10 at Byrd..... W, 40-21
 9/18 at Pulaski Academy.... W, 40-35
 9/25 vs. Franklin Parish 7 PM
 10/2 at Natchitoches Central* ... 7 PM
 10/9 vs. Benton* 7 PM
 10/16 at Huntington* 7 PM
 10/23 vs. Haughton* 7 PM
 10/30 at Evangel* 7 PM
 11/6 vs. Parkway* 7 PM

NORTH DESOTO GRIFFINS



9/4 vs. Union Parish..... W, 52-7
 9/11 at Natchitoches Central W, 56-21
 9/18 vs. Byrd W, 38-20
 9/25 at Woodlawn* (BTW)..... 7 PM
 10/2 vs. Northwood* 7 PM
 10/9 vs. Minden* 7 PM
 10/16 vs. Southwood* 7 PM
 10/23 at Franklin Parish..... 7 PM
 10/30 at Booker T. Washington* 7 PM
 11/5 at Bossier* 7 PM

PLEASANT GROVE HAWKS



8/28 vs. Kilgore W, 42-7
 9/4 at Sulphur Springs..... W, 34-27
 9/11 vs. Liberty-Eylau W, 29-15
 9/18 vs. Paris W, 41-14
 9/15 at Byrd 7 PM
 10/9 at Gilmer* 7 PM
 10/16 vs. Center* 7 PM
 10/23 at Carthage* 7 PM
 10/30 vs. Spring Hill* 7 PM
 11/6 at Pittsburg* 7 PM

BENTON TIGERS



9/4 at Northwood.....W, 34-26
 9/11 vs. BTW.....L, 30-16
 9/18 vs. Woodlawn W, 38-6
 9/25 at Evangel* 7 PM
 10/2 vs. Byrd* 7 PM
 10/9 at Airline* 7 PM
 10/16 at Parkway* 7 PM
 10/23 vs. Natchitoches Central* . 7 PM
 10/30 at Huntington* 7 PM
 11/6 vs. Southwood 7 PM

HUNTINGTON RAIDERS



9/3 vs. Calvary..... L, 48-22
 9/11 vs. KarrL, 50-0
 9/18 at Evangel.....L, 42-0
 9/24 vs. Parkway 7 PM
 10/2 at Franklin Parish 7 PM
 10/8 at Byrd* 7 PM
 10/16 vs. Airline* 7 PM
 10/22 at Captain Shreve* 7 PM
 10/30 at Benton* 7 PM
 11/6 vs. Natchitoches Central* .. 7 PM

HAUGHTON BUCCANEERS



9/4 vs. Homer..... W, 42-30
 9/11 vs. Southwood W, 50-0
 9/18 vs. Glenbrook W, 45-6
 9/25 vs. Captain Shreve* 7 PM
 10/1 at Parkway* 7 PM
 10/8 at St. Frederick 7 PM
 10/16 vs. Byrd* 7 PM
 10/23 at Airline* 7 PM
 10/30 at Natchitoches Central* 7 PM
 11/6 vs. Evangel* 7 PM

EVANGEL EAGLES



9/4 vs. West Monroe L, 42-32
 9/11 vs. Neville..... W, 43-27
 9/18 vs. Huntington W, 42-0
 9/25 vs. Benton* 7 PM
 10/2 at Captain Shreve* 7 PM
 10/9 vs. Natchitoches Central* . 7 PM
 10/16 Cornerstone Christian, TX.. 7 PM
 10/23 at Byrd* 7 PM
 10/30 vs. Airline* 7 PM
 11/6 at Haughton* 7 PM

PARKWAY PANTHERS



9/4 vs. Dunham (Indy) L, 55-15
 9/11 at LoyolaW, 42-41
 9/18 vs. Red River.....W, 56-12
 9/24 at Huntington* 7 PM
 10/1 vs. Haughton* 7 PM
 10/9 at Captain Shreve* 7 PM
 10/16 vs. Benton* 7 PM
 10/23 at East Ascension 7 PM
 10/30 vs. Byrd* 7 PM
 11/6 at Airline* 7 PM

CAPTAIN SHERE GATORS



9/4 vs. Loyola L, 55-34
 9/11 vs. Bastrop..... W, 51-6
 9/18 at Northwood W, 49-28
 9/25 at Haughton* 7 PM
 10/2 vs. Evangel* 7 PM
 10/9 vs. Parkway* 7 PM
 10/16 at Natchitoches Central* ... 7 PM
 10/22 vs. Huntington* 7 PM
 10/30 OPEN
 11/6 at Byrd* 7 PM

NATCHITOCHES CENTRAL CHIEFS



9/4 vs. Sam Houston..... L, 42-20
 9/11 vs. North DeSoto..... L, 56-21
 9/18 at Sterlington..... L, 42-7
 9/25 at Tioga 7 PM
 10/2 vs. Airline* 7 PM
 10/9 at Evangel* 7 PM
 10/16 vs. Captain Shreve* 7 PM
 10/23 at Benton* 7 PM
 10/30 vs. Haughton* 7 PM
 11/6 at Huntington* 7 PM

2025 IHSAA STATE CHAMPIONS

Non-Select Division I
 Ouachita Parish Lions
Select Division I
 Edna Karr Cougars
Non-Select Division II
 Iowa Yellow Jackets
Select Division II
 St. Charles Catholic Comets
Non-Select Division III
 Sterlington Panthers
Select Division III
 Dunham Tigers
Non-Select Division IV
 Haynesville Golden Tornado
Select Division IV
 Riverside Academy Rebels

PLAYOFF RESULTS SINCE 1995

1995 L, 7-20 vs. Glen Oaks	2011 W, 56-21 vs. West Jefferson	2018 L, 37-17 vs. Evangel
1996 L, 28-53 vs. Neville	W, 35-24 at Airline	2019 L, 45-40 at St. Augustine
1997 L, 7-22 vs. Ruston	W, 35-24 vs. Rummel	2020 W, 31-14 vs. St. Augustine
1998 L, 0-52 at West Monroe	L, 21-34 at Carencro	W, 14-13 vs. Joh Curtis
2000 L, 27-30 vs. Neville	W, 41-13 vs. Natchitoches	*L, 35-12 vs. Catholic BR
2002 W, 27-7 vs. Jesuit	L, 21-38 at Barbe	*(Div. I State Championship awarded to Byrd by LHSAA)
W, 24-7 at Catholic BR	W, 24-0 vs. Shaw	2021 L, 45-14 vs. Brother Martin
L, 20-21 OT vs. Rummel	W, 14-10 at Holy Cross	2022 W, 49-10 vs. Alexandria
2005 W, 28-22 vs. Holy Cross	L, 22-23 vs. Rummel	L, 35-14 at John Curtis
L, 6-49 at Acadiana	(Div. I State Championship)	2023 L, 23-2 at Jesuit
2006 W, 34-28 at John Ehret	W, 35-6 vs. Fontainebleau	2024 W, 20-0 vs. Woodlawn BR
L, 15-42 vs. Acadiana	W, 37-20 vs. East Ascension	W, 37-15 at St. Paul's
2007 W, 24-21 vs. Captain Shreve	L, 7-19 at West Monroe	L, 43-32 at Alexandria
L, 3-27 at John Ehret	2015 W, 45-9 vs. Fontainebleau	
2008 W, 13-0 vs. Airline	L, 41-47 vs. Landry-Walker	
L, 7-20 at Ouachita	2016 L, 15-27 at St. Augustine	
2010 L, 13-44 at Ouachita	2017 L, 28-55 vs. Rummel	

YELLOW 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		2024	2012	2010
1943			2015	2016
1949				2017
1953				2019
1956				2023
1962				
2013				
2020				

2026 BYRD YELLOW JACKETS (0-3)

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME / RESULTS
Thu., Sep. 3	at Ouachita Lions	Lions Stadium (Monroe)	L, 44-37
Thu., Sep. 10	vs. Airline Vikings	Lee Hedges Stadium	L, 40-21
Fri., Sep. 18	at North DeSoto Griffins	Griffin Stadium (Stonewall)	L, 38-20
Fri., Sep. 25	vs. Pleasant Grove Hawks	Lee Hedges Stadium	7 PM
Fri., Oct. 2	at *Benton Tigers	Tiger Stadium (Benton)	7 PM
Thu., Oct. 8	vs. *Huntington Raiders	Lee Hedges Stadium	7 PM
Fri., Oct. 16	at *Haughton Buccaneers	Dak Prescott Field (Haughton)	7 PM
Fri., Oct 23	vs. *Evangel Eagles (HC)	Lee Hedges Stadium	7 PM
Fri., Oct. 30	at *Parkway Panthers	Preston Crownover Stadium (Bossier)	7 PM
Fri., Nov. 6	vs. *Captain Shreve Gators	Lee Hedges Stadium (Home)	7 PM



* - District 1-5A games

HC - Homecoming

SR - Senior Night



SCORE BY QUARTERS

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Yellow Jackets	28	16	6	28	78
Opponents	27	43	31	21	122

SCORING

	78	122
Points Per Game	26.0	40.7
Points Off Turnovers	6	10

FIRST DOWNS

	54	58
Rushing	48	27
Passing	5	29
Penalty	1	2

RUSHING YARDAGE

	1116	575
Yards gained rushing	1216	651
Yards lost rushing	100	76
Rushing Attempts	163	94
Average Per Rush	6.8	6.1
Average Per Game	372.0	191.7
TDs Rushing	9	10

PASSING YARDAGE

	113	693
Comp-Att-Int	7-15-2	47-78-1
Average Per Pass	7.5	8.9
Average Per Catch	16.1	14.7
Average Per Game	37.7	231.0
TDs Passing	2	7

TOTAL OFFENSE

	1229	1268
Total Plays	178	172
Average Per Play	6.9	7.4
Average Per Game	409.7	422.7

KICK RETURNS: #-Yards

	8-105	9-153
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PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards

	1-15	1-19
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INT RETURNS: #-Yards

	1-0	2-46
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KICK RETURN AVERAGE

	13.1	17.0
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PUNT RETURN AVERAGE

	15.0	19.0
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INT RETURN AVERAGE

	0.0	23.0
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FUMBLES-LOST

	5-4	1-0
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PENALTIES-Yards

	21-239	16-143
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Average Per Game	79.7	47.7
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PUNTS-Yards

	6-249	5-119
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Average Per Punt	41.5	23.8
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Net punt average	38.3	20.8
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KICKOFFS-Yards

	14-571	20-1139
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Average Per Kick	40.8	57.0
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Net kick average	28.4	40.7
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TIME OF POSSESSION/Game

	27:34	19:39
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3RD-DOWN Conversions

	21/34	15/30
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3rd-Down Pct	62%	50%
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4TH-DOWN Conversions

	3/7	5/7
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4th-Down Pct	43%	71%
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SACKS BY-Yards

	2-19	0-0
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MISC YARDS

	0	0
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TOUCHDOWNS SCORED

	11	17
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FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS

	1-1	2-2
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ON-SIDE KICKS

	0-1	0-0
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RED-ZONE SCORES

	(4-5) 80%	(9-10) 90%
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RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS

	(3-5) 60%	(7-10) 70%
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PAT-ATTEMPTS

	(7-10) 70%	(14-16) 88%
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2026 OFFENSIVE STATISTICS

RUSHING	GP	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Maxie, C.	3	89	874	39	835	9.4	6	88	278.3
Henderson, T.	3	38	160	3	157	4.1	3	20	52.3
Fullwood, A.	2	11	70	8	62	5.6	0	31	31.0
Ezernack, L.	2	10	50	6	44	4.4	0	23	22.0
Johnson, T.	3	7	45	9	36	5.1	0	17	12.0
Jones, K.	3	1	16	0	16	16.0	0	16	5.3
Stephens, E.	2	1	0	1	-1	-1.0	0	0	-0.5
Alexander, N.	2	1	0	2	-2	-2.0	0	0	-1.0
Santiago, P.	3	2	1	10	-9	-4.5	0	1	-3.0
TEAM	3	3	0	22	-22	-7.3	0	0	-7.3
Total.....	3	163	1216	100	1116	6.8	9	88	372.0
Opponents.....	3	94	651	76	575	6.1	10	67	191.7

PASSING	GP	Effic	Cmp-Att-Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Avg/G
Ezernack, L.	2	87.9	3-9-1	33.3	43	1	26	21.5
Fullwood, A.	2	186.3	4-6-1	66.7	70	1	26	35.0
Total.....	3	127.3	7-15-2	46.7	113	2	26	37.7
Opponents.....	3	161.9	47-78-1	60.3	693	7	59	231.0

RECEIVING	GP	No.	Yards	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Maxie, C.	3	2	38	19.0	1	26	12.7
Jones, K.	3	2	34	17.0	1	26	11.3
Stephens, E.	2	1	18	18.0	0	18	9.0
Carlson, L.	3	1	14	14.0	0	14	4.7
Henderson, T.	3	1	9	9.0	0	9	3.0
Total.....	3	7	113	16.1	2	26	37.7
Opponents.....	3	47	693	14.7	7	59	231.0

PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yards	Avg	TD	Long
Maxie, C.	1	15	15.0	0	15
Total.....	1	15	15.0	0	15
Opponents.....	1	19	19.0	0	19

INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yards	Avg	TD	Long
Eason, K.	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total.....	1	0	0.0	0	0
Opponents.....	2	46	23.0	0	45

KICK RETURNS	No.	Yards	Avg	TD	Long
Fullwood, A.	4	40	10.0	0	13
Johnson, T.	2	33	16.5	0	19
Carlson, L.	1	18	18.0	0	18
Mosley, K.	1	14	14.0	0	14
Total.....	8	105	13.1	0	19
Opponents.....	9	153	17.0	0	48

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

SCORING	TD	FGs	Kick	Rush	Rcv	Pass	DXP	Saf	Points
Maxie, C.	7	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0-0	0	0	44
Henderson, T.	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	18
Alexander, N.	0	1-1	5-7	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	8
Jones, K.	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Dowe, J.	0	0-0	2-3	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	2
Total.....	11	1-1	7-10	1-1	0	0-0	0	0	78
Opponents.....	17	2-2	14-16	0-1	0	0-0	0	0	122

TOTALOFFENSE	GP	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
Maxie, C.	3	89	835	0	835	278.3
Henderson, T.	3	38	157	0	157	52.3
Fullwood, A.	2	17	62	70	132	66.0
Ezernack, L.	2	19	44	43	87	43.5
Johnson, T.	3	7	36	0	36	12.0
Jones, K.	3	1	16	0	16	5.3
Stephens, E.	2	1	-1	0	-1	-0.5
Alexander, N.	2	1	-2	0	-2	-1.0
Santiago, P.	3	2	-9	0	-9	-3.0
TEAM	3	3	-22	0	-22	-7.3
Total.....	3	178	1116	113	1229	409.7
Opponents.....	3	172	575	693	1268	422.7

ALL PURPOSE	GP	Rush	Rcv	PR	KR	IR	Total	Avg/G
Maxie, C.	3	835	38	15	0	0	888	296.0
Henderson, T.	3	157	9	0	0	0	166	55.3
Fullwood, A.	2	62	0	0	40	0	102	51.0
Johnson, T.	3	36	0	0	33	0	69	23.0
Jones, K.	3	16	34	0	0	0	50	16.7
Ezernack, L.	2	44	0	0	0	0	44	22.0
Carlson, L.	3	0	14	0	18	0	32	10.7
Stephens, E.	2	-1	18	0	0	0	17	8.5
Mosley, K.	3	0	0	0	14	0	14	4.7
Alexander, N.	2	-2	0	0	0	0	-2	-1.0
Santiago, P.	3	-9	0	0	0	0	-9	-3.0
TEAM	3	-22	0	0	0	0	-22	-7.3
Total.....	3	1116	113	15	105	0	1349	449.7
Opponents.....	3	575	693	19	153	46	1486	495.

2026 KICKING STATISTICS

FIELD GOALS	Made-Att	Pct	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	Long	Blkd
Alexander, N.	1-1	100.0	0-0	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	22	0

FG SEQUENCE	Yellow	Jackets	OPPONENTS
Lions	(22)		(29)
Vikings	-		-
Griffins	-		(34)

PUNTING	No.	Yards	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	50+	Blkd
Dowe, J.	5	216	43.2	52	0	2	0	1	0
Alexander, N.	1	33	33.0	33	0	0	0	0	0
Total.....	6	249	41.5	52	0	2	0	1	0
Opponents.....	5	119	23.8	40	0	0	1	0	0

KICKOFFS	No.	Yards	Avg	TB	OB	Retn	Net	YdLn
Alexander, N.	11	426	38.7	0	1			
Dowe, J.	3	145	48.3	1	1			
Total.....	14	571	40.8	1	2	17.0	28.4	31
Opponents.....	20	1139	57.0	11	0	13.1	40.7	19

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

2026 DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE LEADERS		GP	Tackles		Total TFL-Yds		Sacks	Pass Defense		PD	Qbh	Fumbles	FF	Blkd	Saf
			Solo	Ast			No-Yds	Int-Yds	BU			Rcv-Yds		Kick	
7	Eason, K.	3	12	6	18	.	.	1	- 0	1	2	.	.	.	.
3	Hilliard, C.	3	11	7	18	6.0	- 14	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
23	Glover, V.	3	12	.	12	.	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.
9	Roberts, J.	3	7	4	11	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
24	Carter, K.	3	7	3	10	1.0	- 1	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.
40	Ezernack, B.	3	5	5	10	0.5	- 1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
41	Sepulvado, C.	3	3	4	7	0.5	- 1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
8	Mosley, K.	3	4	2	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
49	Jelks, X.	2	3	3	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
17	Worthem, S.	3	6	.	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
13	Wiman, B.	3	2	4	6	1.0	- 4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
22	Morris, J.	3	3	2	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
94	Davis, G.	2	1	3	4	1.0	- 8	1.0	- 8	.	.	.	.	.	.
97	Atkinson, C.	2	3	1	4	.	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.
93	Anderson, K.	2	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30	Martin, R.	1	1	1	2	1.5	- 7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
76	Tilmon, C.	2	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
6	Crow, A.	3	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
33	Dowe, J.	3	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
TM	TEAM	3	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
95	Nations, M.	1	1	.	1	1.0	- 9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
45	Richardson, C.	1	.	1	1	0.5	- 1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
21	Johnson, K.	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
78	Thompson, J.	1	.	1	1	0.5	- 1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
92	Slaughter, J.	1	.	1	1	0.5	- 1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Total.....	3	87	54	141	14	- 48	2	- 19	1	- 0	6	7	.	.
	Opponents.....	3	110	48	158	16	- 58	0	- 0	2	- 46	.	2	.	.

BALLEW'S SUPERLATIVES AT BYRD

MOST POINTS

61 vs. Benton (9/27/23)

MOST POINTS (BY QUARTER)

1Q: 28 - vs. Haughton (9/13/24)

2Q: 24 - vs. Benton (9/27/23)

3Q: 21 - vs. Benton (9/27/23)

4Q: 21 - vs. Captain Shreve (10/28/21), Huntington (9/9/22), Benton (10/24/25)

OT: 7 - vs. Haughton (9/12/25)

Overall: 2Q - 552 (since 2021)

MOST POINTS IN A HALF

1H: 42 - vs. Haughton (9/13/24)

2H: 29 - vs. Huntington (9/9/22)

Overall: 1H - 958 (since 2021)

MOST RUSH ATTEMPTS

63 - vs. St. Paul's (P) (11/22/24)

MOST RUSHING YARDS

529 - vs. Ouachita (9/3/26)

MOST YARDS PER RUSH

15.3 - vs. Alexandria (11/18/22)

MOST RUSHING TDS

7 - vs. Airline (10/22/21)

7 - vs. Southwood (10/28/22)

7 - vs. Alexandria (11/1822)

MOST PASS ATTEMPTS

11 - vs. Haughton (10/6/22)

MOST PASS COMPLETIONS

7 - vs. Calvary (9/15/22)

MOST PASSING YARDS

146 - vs. Calvary (9/15/22)

MOST YARDS PER ATTEMPT

27.0 - vs. Natchitoches Central (11/4/22)

MOST PASSING TDS

2 - vs. Natchitoches Central (11/4/22)

2 - vs. Benton (9/27/23)

MOST RECEIVING YARDS

146 - vs. Calvary (9/15/22)

MOST TOTAL PLAYS

69 - vs. Alexandria (P) (11/29/24)

69 - vs. St. Paul's (P) (11/22/24)

MOST YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE

566 - vs. Benton (9/27/23)

MOST FIRST DOWNS

24 - vs. Natchitoches Central (10/17/25)

MOST TACKLES

95 - vs. Parkway (10/7/21)

MOST TACKLES FOR LOSS

10 - vs. John Ehret (9/26/25)

10 - vs. Huntington (9/9/22)

10 - vs. Pleasant Grove (9/2/22)

MOST SACKS

5.5 - vs. Woodlawn BR (P) (11/15/24)

5.0 - vs. Benton (10/24/25)

MOST FORCED FUMBLES

4 - vs. Calvary (9/15/22)

MOST FUMBLE RECOVERIES

3 - vs. Calvary (9/14/23)

MOST PASS BREAK UPS

11 - vs. Huntington (9/9/22)

MOST INTERCEPTIONS

3 - vs. St. Amant (9/6/24)

MOST PATS MADE IN A SINGLE GAME

8 - vs. Southwood (10/28/22)

FEWEST POINTS ALLOWED

0 - vs. John Ehret (9/26/25)

0 - vs. Woodlawn BR (P) (11/15/24)

0 - vs. Southwood (10/28/22)

LONGEST PUNT

68 - vs. Parkway (10/12/23)

LONGEST FIELD GOAL

56 - vs. Benton (10/25/24)

2026 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
PUNTS
PUNTING AVERAGE (2 PUNTS MIN)
FUMBLES
FUMBLES LOST
PENALTIES
PENALTY YARDS
SACKS BY BYRD
INTERCEPTIONS BY BYRD

HIGH

37 vs. OUACHITA
23 vs. OUACHITA
555 vs. OUACHITA
64 vs. OUACHITA, NORTH DeSoto
529 vs. OUACHITA
60 vs. OUACHITA
4 vs. OUACHITA
70 vs. NORTH DeSoto
6 vs. NORTH DeSoto
4 vs. NORTH DeSoto
1 vs. OUACHITA, NORTH DeSoto
1 vs. AIRLINE, NORTH DeSoto
4 vs. NORTH DeSoto
43.8 vs. NORTH DeSoto
2 vs. OUACHITA, NORTH DeSoto
2 vs. OUACHITA
8 vs. AIRLINE
96 vs. OUACHITA
1 vs. OUACHITA, AIRLINE
1 vs. OUACHITA

LOW

20 vs. NORTH DeSoto
15 vs. AIRLINE
324 vs. NORTH DeSoto
50 vs. AIRLINE
254 vs. NORTH DeSoto
45 vs. AIRLINE
2 vs. NORTH DeSoto
17 vs. AIRLINE
4 vs. OUACHITA
1 vs. OUACHITA
0 vs. AIRLINE
0 vs. OUACHITA
1 vs. OUACHITA, AIRLINE
1 vs. AIRLINE
1 vs. AIRLINE, NORTH DeSoto
6 vs. NORTH DeSoto
51 vs. AIRLINE
0 vs. NORTH DeSoto
0 vs. AIRLINE, NORTH DeSoto

BYRD PLAYER GAME HIGHS

CATEGORY

RUSH YARDS
RUSH ATTEMPTS
RUSH TDS
LONGEST RUSH
PASS YARDS
PASS ATTEMPTS
PASS COMPLETIONS
PASS TDS
LONGEST PASS
RECEIVING YARDS
RECEPTIONS
RECEIVING TDS
LONGEST RECEPTION
FIELD GOALS
LONGEST FG
PUNTS
LONGEST PUNT
PUNTING AVERAGE
LONGEST PUNT RETURN
LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN
SOLO TACKLES
ASSISTED TACKLES
TOTAL TACKLES
TACKLES FOR LOSS
SACKS
PASS BREAKUPS
INTERCEPTIONS
FUMBLE RECOVERIES

PLAYER

429, CHRISTIAN MAXIE vs. OUACHITA*
40, CHRISTIAN MAXIE vs. OUACHITA*
3, CHRISTIAN MAXIE vs. OUACHITA
88, CHRISTIAN MAXIE vs. AIRLINE
70, ADEN FULLWOOD vs. NORTH DeSoto
6, ADEN FULLWOOD vs. NORTH DeSoto
4, ADEN FULLWOOD vs. NORTH DeSoto
1, TWO PLAYERS vs. TWO TEAMS
26, TWO PLAYERS vs. TWO TEAMS
38, CHRISTIAN MAXIE vs. NORTH DeSoto
2, CHRISTIAN MAXIE vs. NORTH DeSoto
1, TWO PLAYERS vs. TWO TEAMS
26, TWO PLAYERS vs. TWO TEAMS
1, NASH ALEXANDER vs. OUACHITA
22, NASH ALEXANDER vs. OUACHITA
4, JACKSON DOWE vs. NORTH DeSoto
52, JACKSON DOWE vs. NORTH DeSoto
43.8, JACKSON DOWE vs. NORTH DeSoto
15, CHRISTIAN MAXIE vs. NORTH DeSoto
19, TRAYLON JOHNSON vs. AIRLINE
6, THREE PLAYERS vs. TWO TEAMS
4, CONRAD HILLIARD vs. AIRLINE
10, CONRAD HILLIARD vs. AIRLINE
2.5, CONRAD HILLIARD vs. AIRLINE
1.0, GRAYSON DAVIS vs. OUACHITA
1, SIX PLAYERS vs. THREE TEAMS
1, KEONTA EASON vs. OUACHITA
0

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OPPONENT PLAYER GAME HIGHS

CATEGORY

RUSH YARDS
RUSH ATTEMPTS
RUSH TDS
LONGEST RUSH
PASS YARDS
PASS ATTEMPTS
PASS COMPLETIONS
PASS TDS
LONGEST PASS
RECEIVING YARDS
RECEPTIONS
RECEIVING TDS
LONGEST RECEPTION
FIELD GOALS
LONGEST FG
PUNTS
LONGEST PUNT
PUNTING AVERAGE
LONGEST PUNT RETURN
LONGEST KICKOFF RETURN
TOTAL TACKLES
TACKLES FOR LOSS
SACKS
PASS BREAKUPS
INTERCEPTIONS
FUMBLE RECOVERIES

PLAYER

190, CARTER MCCLINTON, OUACHITA
14, DERIK WHITE, NORTH DeSoto
4, CARTER MCCLINTON, OUACHITA
67, CARTER MCCLINTON, OUACHITA
268, MASON SMITH, NORTH DeSoto
30, CHASE WILLIAMS, AIRLINE
20, CHASE WILLIAMS, AIRLINE
3, TWO PLAYERS, TWO TEAMS
59, MASON SMITH, NORTH DeSoto
113, MILLER WARREN, NORTH DeSoto
8, PRESTON HUGHES, AIRLINE
2, PRESTON HUGHES, AIRLINE
59, KHY JOHNSON, NORTH DeSoto
1, TWO PLAYERS, TWO TEAMS
34, DAKOTA DENNEY, NORTH DeSoto
3, DAKOTA DENNEY, NORTH DeSoto
40, OSCAR HERNANDEZ, OUACHITA
25.5, OSCAR HERNANDEZ, OUACHITA
19, KEIVON MADISON, OUACHITA
63, JOSH PAPION, AIRLINE
8, TWO PLAYERS, TWO TEAMS
2.0, BRYCE EVANS, NORTH DeSoto
0
0
1, TWO PLAYERS, TWO TEAMS
2, FOUR PLAYERS, THREE TEAMS

2026 FRIERSON FAMILY PLAYERS OF THE GAME

OUACHITA
O: Christian Maxie
D: Keonta Eason
S: N. Alexander, A. Fullwood

AIRLINE
O: Christian Maxie
D: Conrad Hilliard
S: Nash Alexander

NORTH DESOTO
O: Christian Maxie
D: Keonta Eason
S: Jackson Dowe

PLEASANT GROVE

BENTON

HUNTINGTON

HAUGHTON

EVANGEL

PARKWAY

CAPTAIN SHREVE

OFFENSIVE LINEMAN OF THE WEEK

OUACHITA
Ethan Suire

AIRLINE
Ethan Suire

NORTH DESOTO
Dax Marshall

PLEASANT GROVE

BENTON

HUNTINGTON

HAUGHTON

EVANGEL

PARKWAY

CAPTAIN SHREVE

2026 PLAYER PROFILES

#12 Aden Fullwood, Quarterback/Receiver/Returner

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Attempts: 6 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Completions: 4 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Yards: 70 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Touchdowns: 1 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Long: 26 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Rushes: 11 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Yards: 62 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Touchdowns: 0 *(same)*
Long: 31 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Receptions: 0 *(same)*
Yards: 0 *(same)*
Long: 0 *(same)*
Touchdowns: 0 *(same)*

#4 Christian Maxie, Wing Back / Returner

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Rushes: 40 vs. Ouachita* *(same)*
Yards: 429 vs. Ouachita* *(same)*
Long: 88 vs. Airline *(same)*
Touchdowns: 3 vs. Ouachita *(6 vs. Benton, 10/24/25*)*
Receptions: 2 vs. North DeSoto *(2 vs. two teams)*
Yards: 38 vs. North DeSoto *(62 vs. Captain Shreve, 11/6/25)*
Long: 26 vs. North DeSoto *(62 vs. Captain Shreve, 11/6/25)*
Touchdowns: 1 vs. North DeSoto *(1 vs. two teams)*
Kick Returns: 0 *(2 vs. St. Amant, 9/5/25)*
Yards: 0 *(108 vs. St. Amant, 9/5/25)*
Long: 0 *(95 vs. St. Amant, 9/5/25)*
Punt Returns: 1 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Yards: 15 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Long: 15 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*

#34 Trenton Henderson, Fullback

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Rushes: 14 vs. Ouachita *(21 vs. Natchitoches, 10/17/25)*
Yards: 80 vs. Ouachita *(83 vs. Natchitoches, 10/17/25)*
Long: 20 vs. Ouachita *(same)*
Touchdowns: 1 vs. three teams *(1 vs. four teams)*
Receptions: 1 vs. Airline *(same)*
Yards: 9 vs. Airline *(same)*
Long: 9 vs. Airline *(same)*
Touchdowns: 0 *(same)*

#28 Peter Santiago, Wing Back

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Rushes: 1 vs. two teams *(8 vs. Evangel, 9/19/25)*
Yards: 1 vs. Airline *(84 vs. Evangel, 9/19/25)*
Long: 1 vs. Airline *(33 vs. Benton, 10/25/24)*
Touchdowns: 0 *(2 vs. Benton, 10/25/24)*
Receptions: 0 *(1 vs. three teams)*
Yards: 0 *(12 vs. John Ehret, 9/26/25)*
Long: 0 *(12 vs. John Ehret, 9/26/25)*
Touchdowns: 0 *(same)*

#20 Traylon Johnson, Wing Back

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Rushes: 4 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Yards: 27 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Long: 17 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Touchdowns: 0 *(same)*

#15 Elijah Stephens, Wing Back

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Rushes: 1 vs. North DeSoto *(4 vs. Huntington, 10/9/25)*
Yards: 0 *(14 vs. Huntington, 10/9/25)*
Long: 0 *(9 vs. Huntington, 10/9/25)*
Touchdowns: 0 *(same)*
Receptions: 1 vs. North DeSoto *(1 vs. three teams)*
Yards: 18 vs. North DeSoto *(22 vs. two teams)*
Long: 18 vs. North DeSoto *(22 vs. two teams)*
Touchdowns: 0 *(same)*

#11 Logan Carlson, Wide Receiver

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Receptions: 1 vs. North DeSoto *(1 vs. seven teams)*
Yards: 14 vs. North DeSoto *(39 vs. Benton, 10/24/25)*
Long: 14 vs. North DeSoto *(39 vs. Benton, 10/24/25)*
Touchdowns: 0 *(1 vs. Benton, 10/24/25)*

#10 Jonathan Harris, Wide Receiver

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Attempts: 0 *(5 vs. Natchitoches, 10/17/25)*
Completions: 0 *(4 vs. Natchitoches, 10/17/25)*
Yards: 0 *(78 vs. Natchitoches, 10/17/25)*
Touchdowns: 0 *(same)*
Long: 0 *(26 vs. Natchitoches, 10/17/25)*
Rushes: 0 *(10 vs. Natchitoches, 10/17/25)*
Yards: 0 *(32 vs. Natchitoches, 10/17/25)*

Touchdowns: 0 *(same)*
Long: 0 *(22 vs. Haughton, 9/12/25)*

#19 Kayden Jones, Wide Receiver

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Receptions: 1 vs. two teams *(same)*
Yards: 26 vs. Ouachita *(same)*
Long: 26 vs. Ouachita *(same)*
Touchdowns: 1 vs. Ouachita *(same)*

#93 Kamerun Anderson, Defensive Lineman

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Solo: 1 vs. Airline *(2 vs. three teams)*
Assisted: 1 vs. two teams *(5 vs. Parkway, 10/3/24)*
Total Tackles: 2 vs. Airline *(6 vs. Parkway, 10/3/24)*
Tackles for Loss: 0 *(1.5 vs. John Ehret, 9/26/25)*
Sacks: 0 *(1 vs. John Ehret, 9/26/25)*
Pass Breakups: 0 *(1 vs. John Ehret, 9/26/25)*
Forced Fumbles: 0 *(1 vs. John Ehret, 9/26/25)*

#97 Clay Atkinson, Defensive Lineman

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Solo: 3 vs. Ouachita *(same)*
Assisted: 1 vs. Ouachita *(4 vs. Airline, 10/31/25)*
Total Tackles: 4 vs. Ouachita *(5 vs. Airline, 10/31/25)*
Tackles for Loss: 0 *(1 vs. St. Amant, 9/5/25)*
Sacks: 0 *(1.0 vs. St. Amant, 9/5/25)*
Pass Breakups: 1 vs. Ouachita *(same)*

#3 Conrad Hilliard, Defensive End

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Solo: 6 vs. Airline *(same)*
Assisted: 4 vs. Airline *(6 vs. Parkway, 10/3/25)*
Total Tackles: 10 vs. Airline *(same)*
Tackles for Loss: 2.5 vs. Airline *(3.5 vs. John Ehret, 9/26/25)*
Sacks: 0 *(2.0 vs. Benton, 10/24/25)*
Fumble Recoveries: 0 *(1 vs. two teams)*
Pass Breakups: 1 vs. Ouachita *(same)*

#49 Xavier Jelks, Defensive End

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Solo: 2 vs. Airlie *(same)*
Assisted: 2 vs. Airline *(same)*
Total Tackles: 4 vs. Airline *(same)*
Tackles for Loss: 0 *(same)*
Sacks: 0 *(same)*

#94 Grayson Davis, Defensive Lineman

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Solo: 1 vs. Ouachita *(same)*
Assisted: 3 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Total Tackles: 3 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Tackles for Loss: 1.0 vs. Ouachita *(same)*
Sacks: 1.0 vs. Ouachita *(same)*

#41 Charlie Sepulvado, Linebacker

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Solo: 2 vs. Airline *(2 vs. three teams)*
Assisted: 2 vs. two teams *(5 vs. Evangel, 9/19/25)*
Total Tackles: 4 vs. Airline *(7 vs. Evangel, 9/19/25)*
Tackles for Loss: 0.5 vs. Airline *(1 vs. Haughton, 9/12/25)*
Forced Fumbles: 0 *(same)*
Fumble Recoveries: 0 *(same)*

#40 Ben Ezemack, Linebacker

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Solo: 3 vs. Ouachita *(same)*
Assisted: 3 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Total Tackles: 5 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Tackles for Loss: 0.5 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Forced Fumbles: 0 *(same)*
Fumble Recoveries: 0 *(same)*

#6 Aaden Crow, Linebacker

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Solo: 1 vs. North DeSoto *(1 vs. five teams)*
Assisted: 1 vs. Airline *(1 vs. three teams)*
Total Tackles: 1 vs. two teams *(1 vs. eight teams)*
Tackles for Loss: 0 *(1 vs. John Ehret, 9/26/25)*
Sacks: 0 *(1 vs. John Ehret, 9/26/25)*
Forced Fumbles: 0 *(1 vs. John Ehret, 9/26/25)*

#22 Joshua Morris, Defensive Back

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Solo: 2 vs. Ouachita *(4 vs. two teams)*
Assisted: 1 vs. North DeSoto *(3 vs. two teams)*
Total Tackles: 2 vs. two teams *(7 vs. Airline, 10/31/25)*
Tackles for Loss: 0 *(1 vs. St. Amant, 9/5/25)*

#23 Vaughn Glover, Defensive Back

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Solo: 6 vs. Airline *(same)*
Assisted: 0 vs. Ouachita *(same)*
Total Tackles: 6 vs. Airline *(same)*
Pass Breakups: 1 vs. Airline *(same)*

#8 Kameron Mosley, Defensive Back

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Solo: 2 vs. Ouachita *(2 vs. three teams)*
Assisted: 1 vs. two teams *(2 vs. two teams)*
Total Tackles: 2 vs. three teams *(4 vs. Natchitoches, 10/17/25)*
Tackles for Loss: 0 *(1 vs. Captain Shreve, 11/6/25)*
Pass Breakups: 0 *(2 vs. Natchitoches, 10/17/25)*

#7 Keonta Eason, Defensive Back

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Solo: 6 vs. Ouachita *(same)*
Assisted: 3 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Total Tackles: 7 vs. two teams *(same)*
Interceptions: 1 vs. Ouachita *(1 vs. two teams)*
Pass Breakups: 1 vs. Ouachita *(same)*

#9 Jamaurie Roberts, Defensive Back

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Solo: 4 vs. Ouachita *(same)*
Assisted: 3 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Total Tackles: 5 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Pass Breakups: 0 *(same)*

#24 Kole Carter, Defensive Back

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Solo: 3 vs. Airline *(same)*
Assisted: 2 vs. Airline *(same)*
Total Tackles: 5 vs. Airline *(same)*
Tackles for Loss: 1 vs. North DeSoto *(same)*
Pass Breakups: 1 vs. two teams *(same)*

#18 Leo Ezemack, Quarterback

2026 game highs *(career high)*
Attempts: 5 vs. Airline *(same)*
Completions: 2 vs. Airline *(same)*
Yards: 26 vs. Ouachita *(same)*
Touchdowns: 1 vs. Ouachita *(same)*
Long: 26 vs. Ouachita *(same)*
Rushes: 8 vs. Airline *(same)*
Yards: 39 vs. Airline *(same)*
Touchdowns: 0 *(same)*
Long: 23 vs. Airline *(same)*

#1 Jackson Davis, Quarterback

2025 game highs *(career high)*
Attempts: 9 vs. Huntington *(same)*
Completions: 3 vs. two teams *(same)*
Yards: 62 vs. Captain Shreve *(same)*
Touchdowns: 1 vs. two teams *(same)*
Long: 62 vs. Captain Shreve *(same)*
Rushes: 12 vs. Captain Shreve *(same)*
Yards: 85 vs. Captain Shreve *(same)*
Touchdowns: 1 vs. three teams *(same)*
Long: 29 vs. Huntington *(same)*

#2 Collin Deere, Fullback

2025 game highs *(career high)*
Rushes: 35 vs. Haughton *(36 vs. Benton, 10/25/24)**
Yards: 253 vs. Haughton *(same)*
Long: 43 vs. Haughton *(same)*
Touchdowns: 4 vs. Haughton *(same)*
Receptions: 1 vs. two teams *(same)*
Yards: 7 vs. John Ehret *(same)*
Long: 7 vs. John Ehret *(same)*
Touchdowns: 1 vs. Evangel *(same)*

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