

# MISSISSIPPI STATE

## THE MATCHUP: GAME 6

MISSISSIPPI STATE BULLDOGS (1-4)



VS



VANDERBILT COMMODORES (0-4)

November 7, 2020 • 2:30 p.m. CT • Starkville, Miss. • Davis Wade Stadium (61,337 - limited to 25 percent)

## STORYLINES

- Mississippi State hosts Vanderbilt for the 82nd homecoming game in program history. The Bulldogs boast an all-time record of 55-22-3 in homecoming matchups and have won 10 straight. Vanderbilt will be the 39th different homecoming opponent in school history.
- The Bulldogs will don throwback uniforms featuring the Flying M logo, which was used throughout the late 60s and early 70s to recognize State's close ties to the United States' space program and aerospace and aeronautics research.
- While he was the offensive coordinator at Kentucky, **Mike Leach** played Vanderbilt twice, winning both matchups. In 1997, the Wildcats won, 21-10, in Nashville, and the next season saw Kentucky defeat the Commodores by a score of 55-17.
- State has won seven of its last eight meetings with Vanderbilt and has not lost to the Commodores since 2004. The teams have not played each other since the 2014 season when then-No. 4 MSU claimed a 51-0 victory. MSU has outscored Vanderbilt, 83-17, over the last three meetings.
- State has recorded a takeaway in 31 of its last 34 games and is currently on a streak of eight straight games with either an interception or fumble recovery. In that seven-game stretch, MSU has 13 takeaways (7 FR, 6 INT).
- MSU has held all five of its opponents below their season average for total offense this season. In two games, at Kentucky and against Texas A&M, State held the opponent to more than 100 yards fewer than its season average.
- The Bulldog defense has been especially stout following a turnover this season. When the ball is taken away by an interception or fumble, State has allowed just 158 yards over 11 opposing possessions while forcing seven punts with four three-and-outs.
- MSU is second in the SEC and No. 21 nationally in total defense (336.2 yards per game). State is one of seven Power 5 teams allowing less than 350 yards per game.
- A pair of Bulldog offensive linemen graded out among the top 10 in the nation in pass blocking last week at Alabama. **LaQuinston Sharp** (89.0) ranked fourth in the nation, and **Charles Cross** (88.5) was tied for seventh according to Pro Football Focus.
- The Bulldogs have broken 10 single-game passing records this season. Most recently, **Will Rogers** set the completion percentage record (minimum 15 attempts) against Texas A&M. Rogers completed 83.3 percent of his attempt (15-of-18), surpassing John Bond's 81.3 percent (13-fo-16) mark at Tulane on Sept. 4, 1982.
- MSU already boasts seven receivers with 15 or more catches this season. Last year, only four players reached that mark. RB **Jo'quavious Marks** has already caught 31 passes, more than any Bulldog in 2019.
- A total of 20 student-athletes have made their Mississippi State debut this season. Newcomers have accounted for 37.7 percent of MSU's all-purpose yards this season (761 of 2,020 yards) and 96.7 percent of State's total offense. Defensively, they have combined for 46 total tackles, 2.5 sacks, two interceptions and five pass breakups.
- The Bulldogs are one of five teams in the nation to record more than 1,000 yards after catch this season (1,015). The four teams ahead of MSU have all played an additional game (Clemson, Alabama, Texas Tech and West Virginia). RB **Jo'quavious Marks** (174 yards after catch) leads all SEC true freshmen and ranks fourth among freshmen in the FBS.

## NUMBERS TO KNOW

16

Number of 20+ yard plays allowed by MSU, which is tied for fifth in the FBS.

4

10+ tackle games by LB **Erroll Thompson**, which is tied for the SEC lead and tied for second nationally.

38

MSU freshmen, sophomores, or JUCO/grad transfers seeing first MSU game action in 2020.

37

The MSU single-season record for receptions by both a freshman and a running back. RB **Jo'quavious Marks** has 31 this season.

17

First-time starters on MSU's roster this season, which is third-most in the SEC and tied for eighth-most in the FBS.

4

Number of FBS freshmen, including CB **Emmanuel Forbes**, who have multiple INTs and 3+ PBU.

## BROADCAST INFORMATION

### TV: SEC NETWORK

**Play-by-Play:** Taylor Zarzour  
**Analysts:** Matt Stinchcomb  
**Reporter:** Dawn Davenport

### RADIO: MSU SPORTS RADIO NETWORK

**Play-by-Play:** Neil Price  
**Analyst:** Matt Wyatt  
**Sideline:** Jay Perry

### SIRIUS XM RADIO

**MSU Broadcast Channels:** 133, 190, 961

## TEAM INFORMATION

### MISSISSIPPI STATE

**Head Coach:** Mike Leach (BYU, 1983)  
**Rankings:** NR (AP) / NR (Coaches)  
**Overall Record:** 140-94 (19th season)  
**Mississippi State Record:** 1-4 (first season)

### VANDERBILT

**Head Coach:** Derek Mason (Northern Arizona, 1993)  
**Rankings:** NR (AP) / NR (Coaches)  
**Overall Record:** 27-51 (seventh season)  
**Vanderbilt Record:** 27-51 (seventh season)

## 2020 MISSISSIPPI STATE SCHEDULE

Overall: 1-4 | H: 0-2 | A: 1-2 | N: 0-0

### SEPTEMBER (1-0)

26 at No. 6/5 LSU \* CBS 21,124 W, 44-34

### OCTOBER (0-4)

3	Arkansas	SECN Alt.	13,564	L, 14-21
10	at Kentucky	SECN	12,000	L, 2-24
17	No. 11/11 Texas A&M	ESPN	13,142	L, 14-28
31	at No. 2/2 Alabama	ESPN	19,424	L, 0-41

### NOVEMBER (0-0)

7	Vanderbilt	SECN		2:30 p.m.
14	Auburn	TBA		TBA
21	at Georgia	TBA		TBA
28	at Ole Miss	TBA		TBA

### DECEMBER (0-0)

5	Missouri	TBA		TBA
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## MISSISSIPPI STATE COACHING STAFF

**Mike Leach**, head coach (1st)  
**\*Tony Hughes**, associate head coach/nickelbacks (9th, 2nd stint)  
**Zach Arnett**, defensive coordinator/linebackers (1st)  
**Matt Brock**, special teams coordinator/outside LBs (1st)  
**Darcel McBath**, cornerbacks (1st)  
**\*Eric Mele**, running backs (1st)  
**Mason Miller**, offensive line (1st)  
**Dave Nichol**, inside receivers (1st)  
**\*Jeff Phelps**, defensive line (1st)  
**\*Steve Spurrier Jr.**, outside receivers (1st)  
**Jason Washington**, safeties (1st)  
*\* - denotes in the booth*

# MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPTH CHART

## OFFENSE

<b>WR (X)</b>	4	Malik Heath	6-3	215	Jr.-JC
-or-	18	Cameron Gardner	6-4	220	So.-1L
	81	Lideatrick Griffin	5-10	175	Fr.-HS
<b>WR (H)</b>	0	JaVonta Payton	6-1	180	Sr.-1L
	11	Geor'quarius Spivey	6-5	240	So.-1L
<b>LT</b>	67	Charles Cross	6-5	290	RFr.-RS
	58	Kameron Jones	6-5	305	So.-SQ
<b>LG</b>	55	Greg Eiland	6-8	335	Sr.-3L
	63	LaQuinston Sharp	6-3	300	Sr.-1L
<b>C</b>	57	Cole Smith	6-3	305	So.-SQ
	71	James Jackson	6-3	330	Jr.-2L
<b>RG</b>	56	Dareuan Parker	6-4	355	Sr.-3L
	72	Brandon Cunningham	6-4	300	RFr.-RS
<b>RT</b>	69	Kwatrivous Johnson	6-7	315	So.-SQ
	78	Scott Lashley	6-7	315	Sr.-GTR
<b>WR (Y)</b>	85	Austin Williams	6-3	200	Jr.-2L
	31	Jaden Walley	6-0	180	Fr.-HS
<b>WR (Z)</b>	5	Osirus Mitchell	6-5	210	Sr.-3L
-or-	17	Caleb Ducking	6-5	200	Jr.-JC
-or-	84	Dontea Jones	6-4	230	Sr.-3L
<b>QB</b>	3	K.J. Costello	6-5	225	Sr.-GTR
-or-	2	Will Rogers	6-2	205	Fr.-HS
<b>RB</b>	21	Jo'quavious Marks	5-10	195	Fr.-HS
-or-	23	Dillon Johnson	6-0	215	Fr.-HS
-or-	22	Lee Witherspoon	5-10	195	So.-1L

## DEFENSE

<b>DE</b>	52	Kobe Jones	6-4	260	Sr.-2L
	15	Jack Harris	6-3	250	RFr.-RS
<b>NT</b>	94	Jaden Crumedy	6-5	300	So.-1L
	22	Nathan Pickering	6-4	310	So.-1L
<b>DT</b>	42	Marquiss Spencer	6-4	300	Sr.-3L
	17	Aaron Odom	6-3	275	Jr.-1L
<b>SAM</b>	2	Tyrus Wheat	6-2	260	Jr.-JC
	6	Jordan Davis	6-4	260	Jr.-JC
<b>MIKE</b>	40	Erroll Thompson	6-1	250	Sr.-3L
	14	Nathaniel Watson	6-2	250	So.-1L
<b>WILL</b>	3	Aaron Brule	6-1	230	So.-1L
	44	Jett Johnson	6-2	235	So.-SQ
-or-	54	Rodney Groce Jr.	6-2	245	Fr.-HS
<b>CB</b>	1	Martin Emerson	6-2	195	So.-1L
	30	Decamerion Richardson	6-2	180	Fr.-HS
<b>FS</b>	38	Fred Peters	5-10	210	Sr.-1L
	19	Collin Duncan	6-0	205	So.-SQ
<b>BULLDOG</b>	7	Marcus Murphy	6-1	200	Jr.-2L
	12	Shawn Preston Jr.	6-0	210	So.-1L
<b>SS</b>	28	Londyn Craft	6-0	200	Jr.-SQ
	24	Dylan Lawrence	6-4	195	RFr.-RS
<b>CB</b>	27	Esaías Furdge	6-0	185	So.-SQ
	13	Emmanuel Forbes	6-0	180	Fr.-HS

## SPECIALISTS

<b>PK</b>	8	Brandon Ruiz	5-10	180	Jr.-GTR
	47	Jace Christmann	6-0	195	Sr.-3L
-or-	91	Nolan McCord	6-0	170	Fr.-HS
<b>KO</b>	8	Brandon Ruiz	5-10	180	Jr.-GTR
	48	Scott Goodman	5-10	200	Jr.-2L
-or-	37	Tucker Day	6-0	210	Jr.-2L
<b>P</b>	37	Tucker Day	6-0	210	Jr.-2L
-or-	97	Reed Bowman	6-0	200	Sr.-SQ
<b>LS</b>	43	Paul Blackwell	5-10	205	Sr.-1L
	68	Hayes Hammond	5-10	190	Fr.-HS
-or-	41	Colby Cox	6-1	240	Fr.-HS
<b>H</b>	97	Reed Bowman	6-0	200	Sr.-SQ
	37	Tucker Day	6-0	210	Jr.-2L
<b>KR</b>	0	JaVonta Payton	6-1	180	Sr.-1L
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<b>PR</b>	85	Austin Williams	6-3	200	Jr.-2L
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## THE LEACH FILE

**Hometown:** Cody, Wyoming  
**Education:** BYU, 1983 (Bachelor's); Pepperdine, 1986 (J.D.); U.S. Sports Academy, 1988 (Master's)  
**Wife:** Sharon  
**Children:** Janeen, Kim, Cody and Kiersten  
**Birthday:** March 9, 1961

### COACHING CAREER

**2020-p: Mississippi State (Head Coach)**  
 2012-19: Washington State (Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator/QBs)  
 2000-09: Texas Tech (Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator/QBs)  
 1999: Oklahoma (Offensive Coordinator/QBs)  
 1997-98: Kentucky (Offensive Coordinator/QBs)  
 1994-96: Valdosta State (Offensive Coordinator/WRs/QBs)  
 1992-93: Valdosta State (Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line)  
 1989-91: Iowa Wesleyan (Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line)  
 1989: Pori, Finland – European League (Head Coach)  
 1988: College of the Desert (Calif.) (Linebackers)  
 1987: Cal Poly (Offensive Line)

### BOWL GAMES AS A HEAD COACH

2019: Cheez-It Bowl (Washington State)  
 2018: Alamo Bowl (Washington State)  
 2017: Holiday Bowl (Washington State)  
 2016: Holiday Bowl (Washington State)  
 2015: Sun Bowl (Washington State)  
 2013: New Mexico Bowl (Washington State)  
 2009: Alamo Bowl\* (Texas Tech)  
 2008: Cotton Bowl (Texas Tech)  
 2007: Gator Bowl (Texas Tech)  
 2006: Insight Bowl (Texas Tech)  
 2005: Cotton Bowl (Texas Tech)  
 2004: Holiday Bowl (Texas Tech)  
 2003: Houston Bowl (Texas Tech)  
 2002: Tangerine Bowl (Texas Tech)  
 2001: Alamo Bowl (Texas Tech)  
 2000: GalleryFurniture.com Bowl (Texas Tech)

\* - denotes did not coach in game

## BY THE NUMBERS

29

Players selected in the NFL Draft under Leach's leadership at Texas Tech and Washington State, including three first round picks.

10

Years that Leach's "Air Raid" passing attack has led the FBS, six times at Texas Tech and four at Washington State.

11

Of the top 50 most productive passing yardage seasons in FBS history have come from quarterbacks coached by Leach.

# MIKE LEACH

First Season  
 @Coach\_Leach

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

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

The accomplishments for Leach in his 19th year as a head coach are long and distinguished. He has compiled a 140-94 (.603) record, guided his squads to 16 bowl games, produced seven seasons of at least nine victories, captured two division titles, become the winningest coach in Texas Tech history and set school records for bowl appearances at both Texas Tech (10) and Washington State (6). During 10 of those 18 seasons, Leach's passing attack led the FBS – six at Texas Tech and four at Washington State.

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

Leach, 58, arrives in Starkville after eight seasons at the helm at Washington State where he compiled a 55-47 (.539) record and was named the 2018 American Football Coaches Association National Coach of the Year and two-time Pac-12 Coach of the Year (2015, 2018). Leach spearheaded WSU to a school-record six bowl appearances and became the first coach in school history to lead the Cougars to five consecutive bowl games. They also led the nation in passing offense in four out of his last six seasons in charge.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Year	School	Overall	Conf.	Notable
2000	Texas Tech	7-6	3-5	
2001	Texas Tech	7-6	4-4	
2002	Texas Tech	9-5	5-3	Beat No. 4 Texas, Tangerine Bowl Champions
2003	Texas Tech	8-5	4-4	Houston Bowl Champions
2004	Texas Tech	8-4	5-3	No. 18 in AP/No. 17 in Coaches, Holiday Bowl Champions
2005	Texas Tech	9-3	6-2	No. 20 in AP/No. 19 in Coaches
2006	Texas Tech	8-5	4-4	Insight Bowl Champions
2007	Texas Tech	9-4	4-4	Beat No. 3 Oklahoma, No. 22 in AP/No. 23 in Coaches
2008	Texas Tech	11-2	7-1	No. 7 in BCS, Two top-10 wins including No. 1 Texas
2009	Texas Tech	8-4	5-3	Beat No. 15 Nebraska
2012	Washington State	3-9	1-8	Beat No. 25 Washington
2013	Washington State	6-7	4-5	Beat No. 25 USC
2014	Washington State	3-9	2-7	
2015	Washington State	9-4	6-3	Sun Bowl Champions
2016	Washington State	8-5	7-2	Beat No. 15 Stanford
2017	Washington State	9-4	6-3	Beat No. 5 USC and No. 18 Stanford
2018	Washington State	11-2	7-2	AFCA Coach of the Year, Pac-12 North Co-Champions
2019	Washington State	6-7	3-6	Fifth straight bowl appearance at WSU
2020	Mississippi State	1-4	1-4	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>(19th season)</b>	<b>140-94</b>	<b>84-73</b>	
<b>MSU Record</b>	<b>(1st season)</b>	<b>1-4</b>	<b>1-4</b>	
<b>TTU Record</b>	<b>(10 seasons)</b>	<b>84-43</b>	<b>47-33</b>	
<b>WSU Record</b>	<b>(8 seasons)</b>	<b>55-47</b>	<b>36-36</b>	

# 2020 MISSISSIPPI STATE COACHES



## TONY HUGHES

IN THE BOOTH

Associate Head Coach/Nickelbacks | 9th season (second stint)

Veteran coach and heralded recruiter with three decades of experience in his home state of Mississippi ... Spent seven seasons (2009-15) as recruiting coordinator and safeties coach at Mississippi State prior to becoming the head coach at Jackson State University ... Boasting a reputation as being one of the top recruiters in college football, Hughes played a pivotal role in helping State land 22 signees for the 2020 class, including 11 top-30 prospects from Mississippi ... A teacher and mentor to his student-athletes, Hughes has excelled at identifying players in the state of Mississippi that leave MSU as NFL prospects, including Super Bowl Champions Fletcher Cox and Chris Jones, three-time Pro Bowl defensive back Darius Slay, 2012 Jim Thorpe Award winner Johnthan Banks and first-team All-American Benardrick McKinney.



## ZACH ARNETT

Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers | 1st season

Rising star in college football's coaching ranks ... Learned under one of the game's great defensive minds in former New Mexico and San Diego State head coach Rocky Long ... Member of the prestigious AFCA 35 Under 35 Coaches Leadership Institute in 2020 ... Spent the first nine years of his coaching career at San Diego State, beginning as a defensive graduate assistant in 2011 before being elevated to linebackers coach in 2014 and eventually promoted to defensive coordinator in 2018 ... Led an SDSU defense that ranked in the top 10 nationally in rushing defense (No. 2), scoring defense (No. 3), interceptions (No. 4), first downs allowed (No. 4), total defense (No. 6), passing efficiency defense (No. 6) and takeaways (No. 8) in 2019 ... Logged 200 career tackles as a linebacker at New Mexico from 2005-08 and helped the Lobos to consecutive bowl appearances in 2006 and 2007.



## MATT BROCK

Special Team Coordinator/Outside Linebackers | 1st season

Selected to the AFCA's prestigious 35 Under 35 Coaches Leadership Institute for 2020 ... In 2019 at Washington State, coached kicker Blake Mazza who led the Pac-12 in scoring (115 points) on his way to first-team All-Pac-12 honors ... Mazza was a Lou Groza Award finalist and midseason All-America second team selection by The Athletic and made a program-record 18 straight field goals to start the season ... Tutored eight all-conference performers and a pair of All-Americans during his coaching career, with six specialists and two linebackers earning the honor ... Played and began his coaching career at Baker University in Baldwin City, Kansas ... A two-time all-conference pick and two-time NAIA Academic All-American who tallied 277 career tackles and seven interceptions.



## DARCEL McBATH

Cornerbacks | 1st season

Spent three seasons at Washington State (2017-19), including part of the 2019 season as interim co-defensive coordinator and cornerbacks coach ... Led a defense in 2019 as co-interim defensive coordinator that finished the year No. 5 in the Pac-12 in takeaways (19) and tied for second in fumbles gained (9) ... Cornerbacks unit combined for five takeaways in 2018, highlighted by four interceptions while breaking up 18 passes on the year and adding 3.0 sacks ... Earned his degree in four years while playing for Mike Leach at Texas Tech from 2004-08 and spent five seasons in the NFL after being selected in the second round of the 2009 NFL Draft by the Denver Broncos ... Played five seasons in the NFL with two seasons in Denver, one in Jacksonville and two in San Francisco ... Appeared in Super Bowl XLVII as a member of the 49ers and made one tackle.



## ERIC MELE

IN THE BOOTH

Running Backs | 1st season

Spent eight seasons at Washington State, coaching the running backs during his final two seasons (2018-19) ... Spent three seasons coaching special teams (2015-17) after three seasons as an offensive quality control (2012-14) ... Tutored three All-Pac-12 honorees at WSU, including running back Max Borghi who was named Pac-12 Freshman of the Year honorable mention in 2018 ... Kicker Erik Powell earned All-Pac-12 second team honors in 2017 and finished No. 3 on WSU's all-time points kicking list with a school-record 164 career extra points ... Powell ranked third in school history in field goals made (51) and career field goal percentage (72.8) ... Helped WSU's special teams reach multiple milestones in 2016, as the Cougars recorded a kick return TD and punt return for a score for the first time in the same season since 1968, and the punt return unit finished No. 9 nationally (13.48 yd/rtn).



## MASON MILLER

Offensive Line | 1st season

No stranger to the Air Raid system, after working with both Mike Leach and Hal Mumme, two of the Air Raid's architects ... Has coached at all three levels of the NCAA and been a key part in establishing lethal offenses at each stop ... In two seasons at Washington State, three student-athletes earned All-Pac-12 honors and the offensive line allowed the fewest sacks in the Pac-12 during that span while protecting college football's top passing attack in consecutive seasons, generating 437.2 passing yards per game during the 2019 campaign ... Helped Andre Dillard become the top pass-blocking tackle in the country per Pro Football Focus and earn first-team All-Pac-12 and second-team All-America honors in 2019 before becoming the highest drafted Cougar offensive lineman in program history when the Philadelphia Eagles selected him in the first round of the 2019 NFL Draft.



## DAVE NICHOL

Inside Receivers | 1st season

Has spent nine of his 20 years as a collegiate coach under Mike Leach, including five at Texas Tech and four at Washington State ... Owns 12 career bowl game appearances ... In four seasons at WSU, helped Gabe Marks become the Pac-12 all-time receptions leader (316) and finish No. 2 all-time in receiving touchdowns (37), while earning first-team All-Pac-12 honors in 2016 ... Helped Brandon Arconado finish with a Cougars single-season-record seven 100-yard receiving games on his way to leading the conference in receiving yards per game (100.8) in 2019 ... Spent four seasons at ECU, taking on the offensive coordinator role in his final season with the Pirates, and played a vital role in guiding an offense that established successive single-season school records for passing yards and total offense, and combined to break 70 individual or team single-game, season and career records.



## JEFF PHELPS

IN THE BOOTH

Defensive Line | 1st season

Has been a part of vaunted defensive fronts at nearly every stop of his coaching career, helping produce NFL talent and All-American pass rushers in the Pac-12, Mid-American and Big 10 conferences ... In 2018, saw the Cougar "Speed D" lead the Pac-12 with 38.0 sacks and finish No. 2 in the league with 88.0 tackles for loss ... Tutored Hercules Mata'afa to Consensus All-American and AP Pac-12 Defensive Player of the Year honors in 2017 after totaling a WSU-record 22.5 tackles for loss that season ... In six seasons as the defensive line coach at Minnesota, the Gophers earned five bowl berths ... Coached four All-Big Ten performers, including 2013 third-team All-American and 2014 second-round NFL Draft pick Ra'Shede Hagemen ... Helped Larry English to a pair of MAC Most Valuable Player honors, the 2008 MAC Defensive Player of the Year award and the No. 16 pick in the 2009 NFL Draft.



## STEVE SPURRIER JR.

IN THE BOOTH

Outside Receivers | 1st season

Collegiate coaching career includes 17 postseason bowl games, including the Sugar Bowl, Fiesta Bowl, Cotton Bowl and Orange Bowl, and two national championships (Oklahoma, 2000; Florida, 1996) ... In two seasons at Washington State, helped three receivers top the 60-catch mark, including Easop Winston Jr.'s 85-catch, 11-touchdown campaign in 2019 ... Spent one season as the assistant head coach/quarterbacks coach at Western Kentucky and developed Mike White who led the nation in completions (368) and ranked fourth in passing yards (4,177) ... No stranger to the SEC, he coached 11 seasons at South Carolina (2005-15) and spent five seasons at Florida (1994-98), helping develop numerous All-SEC performers and NFL Draft picks ... At South Carolina, coached NFL stars Sidney Rice, Alshon Jeffery and Kenny McKinley ... Worked with Mike Leach during his first stint at Oklahoma (1999).



## JASON WASHINGTON

Safeties | 1st season

Spent the last three seasons at Texas as the recruiting coordinator and cornerbacks coach, where he was tabbed the top Big 12 recruiter in 2018 by 247Sports ... In 2018, both Longhorn starting cornerbacks garnered All-Big 12 honors, as Kris Boyd grabbed first-team honors and Davante Davis was an honorable mention pick after combining for two interceptions, 24 pass breakups and 109 tackles ... With 23 all-conference honorees coached over his 17 years as a collegiate coach, he has also seen 10 pupils reach the NFL ... Spent a week during the 2009 season with the Minnesota Vikings as part of the Bill Walsh Minority Coaching Fellowship program ... Four-year letterwinner at Texas State in both football and baseball, starting at cornerback and in centerfield, respectively. Still ranks tied for No. 9 on the Bobcats' career stolen base charts (38).

# TOP 25 RANKINGS / GAME-BY-GAME INFO

## ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL (WEEK 10)

RK.	TEAM	REC.	POINTS
1.	Clemson (33)	7-0	1,515
2.	Alabama (29)	6-0	1,513
3.	Ohio State	2-0	1,430
4.	Notre Dame	6-0	1,351
5.	Georgia	4-1	1,289
6.	Cincinnati	5-0	1,199
7.	Texas A&M	4-1	1,156
8.	Florida	3-1	1,066
9.	BYU	7-0	1,014
10.	Wisconsin	1-0	985
11.	Miami	5-1	946
12.	Oregon	0-0	831
13.	Indiana	2-0	765
14.	Oklahoma State	4-1	760
15.	Coastal Carolina	6-0	527
16.	Marshall	5-0	523
17.	Iowa State	4-2	427
18.	SMU	6-1	420
19.	Oklahoma	4-2	405
20.	USC	0-0	354
21.	Boise State	2-0	336
22.	Texas	4-2	190
23.	Michigan	1-1	151
24.	Auburn	4-2	144
25.	Liberty	6-0	118

**Others receiving votes:** Northwestern 106, Louisiana Lafayette 101, North Carolina 92, Penn State 87, Tulsa 73, Army 57, Kansas State 51, Utah 44, West Virginia 44, Washington 21, Purdue 15, Virginia Tech 11, San Diego State 8, Arizona State 7, Appalachian State 6, Wake Forest 5, Michigan State 4, California 3

## COACHES POLL (WEEK 10)

RK.	TEAM	REC.	POINTS
1.	Clemson (43)	1,527	7-0
2.	Alabama (17)	1,503	6-0
3.	Ohio State (2)	1,407	2-0
4.	Notre Dame	1,359	6-0
5.	Georgia	1,304	4-1
6.	Cincinnati	1,157	5-0
7.	Texas A&M	1,154	4-1
8.	Florida	1,101	3-1
9.	BYU	1,025	7-0
10.	Miami	964	5-1
11.	Wisconsin	908	1-0
12.	Oklahoma State	783	4-1
13.	Indiana	730	2-0
14.	Oregon	725	0-0
15.	Marshall	473	5-0
16.	Coastal Carolina	464	6-0
17.	Iowa State	433	4-2
18.	SMU	421	6-1
19.	Oklahoma	413	4-2
20.	USC	365	0-0
21.	Auburn	246	4-2
22.	Army	208	6-1
23.	Boise State	204	2-0
24.	North Carolina	192	4-2
25.	Michigan	141	1-1

**Others receiving votes:** Texas 115, Northwestern 112, Liberty 92, Louisiana Lafayette 90, Kansas State 64, Utah 57, Penn State 56, Purdue 55, West Virginia 49, Virginia Tech 37, Appalachian State 32, Tulsa 29, Missouri 23, Boston College 20, NC State 16, Kentucky 13, Memphis 12, Wake Forest 11, Arizona State 11, Tennessee 11, California 9, Michigan State 9, Arkansas 8, South Carolina 8, Nevada 3, UCF 1, San Diego State 1

## CFP RANKINGS (2019 FINAL)

RK.	TEAM	REC.
1.	LSU	15-0
2.	Ohio State	13-1
3.	Clemson	14-1
4.	Oklahoma	12-2
5.	Georgia	12-2
6.	Oregon	12-2
7.	Baylor	11-3
8.	Wisconsin	10-4
9.	Florida	11-2
10.	Penn State	11-2
11.	Utah	11-3
12.	Auburn	9-4
13.	Alabama	11-2
14.	Michigan	9-4
15.	Notre Dame	11-2
16.	Iowa	10-3
17.	Memphis	12-2
18.	Minnesota	11-2
19.	Boise State	12-2
20.	Appalachian State	13-1
21.	Cincinnati	11-3
22.	USC	8-5
23.	Navy	11-2
24.	Virginia	9-5
25.	Oklahoma State	8-5

## MISSISSIPPI STATE 2020 GAME-BY-GAME NOTABLES

Opponent	Time (CT)	Length	Won Coin Toss	Choice	Helmet/Jerseys/Pants	Captains
at LSU	2:45 p.m.	3:56	Mississippi State	MSU Receive	Maroon/Maroon/White	E. Thompson
Arkansas	6:39 p.m.	3:19	Arkansas	Defer - MSU Receive	Maroon/Maroon/White	E. Thompson
at Kentucky	6:39 p.m.	3:18	Kentucky	UK Receive	Maroon/White/White	E. Thompson
Texas A&M	3:05 p.m.	3:05	Texas A&M	Defer - MSU Receive	Maroon/Maroon/Maroon	E. Thompson
Alabama	6:05 p.m.	3:31	Mississippi State	Defer - UA Receive	Maroon/White/White	E. Thompson



# TRENDS / TOP GAMES / MSU IN NFL

## MSU TRENDS / RECORD WHEN

	2020	Leach	Streak
August	0-0	0-0	W1
September	1-0	1-0	W1
October	0-4	0-4	L7
November	0-0	0-0	W2
December-January	0-0	0-0	L2

### MSU's Conference Record...

at home	0-2	0-2	L2
on the road	1-2	1-2	L2

### MSU vs. Ranked Opponents...

overall	1-2	1-2	L2
at home	0-1	0-1	L3
on the road	1-1	1-1	L1
neutral	0-0	0-0	L3
vs. Top 10	1-1	1-1	L1

### MSU's Record in Games...

decided by 7 pts or less	0-1	0-1	L1
decided by 3 pts or less	0-0	0-0	W1
Road during the day	1-0	1-0	W2
Road at night	0-2	0-2	L3
Home during the day	0-1	0-1	L3
Home at night	0-1	0-1	L1

### MSU's Record When Scoring...

less than 21 points	0-4	0-4	L14
21 or more points	1-0	1-0	W1
24 or more points	1-0	1-0	W1
30 or more points	1-0	1-0	W3

### MSU's Record When Allowing...

less than 21 points	0-0	0-0	W2
21 or more points	1-4	1-4	L4
24 or more points	1-3	1-3	L3
30 or more points	1-1	1-1	L1

### MSU's Record When...

MSU scores first	1-0	1-0	W1
Opponent scores first	0-4	0-4	L11
Leading after the 1st qtr	1-0	1-0	W1
Trailing after the 1st qtr	0-1	0-1	L9
Leading at halftime	1-0	1-0	W1
Trailing at halftime	0-4	0-4	L11
Leading after the 3rd qtr	1-0	1-0	W5
Trailing after the 3rd qtr	0-4	0-4	L13

### MSU's Record With...

less than 300 yards	0-2	0-2	L12
400+ yards total offense	1-1	1-1	L1
500+ yards total offense	1-0	1-0	W6
600+ yards total offense	1-0	1-0	W7
less than 100 yards rush	1-4	1-4	L4
100+ yards rushing	0-0	0-0	L1
150+ yards rushing	0-0	0-0	W2
200+ yards rushing	0-0	0-0	W2
250+ yards rushing	0-0	0-0	W10
less than 200 yards pass	0-1	0-1	L1
300+ yards passing	1-1	1-1	L1
350+ yards passing	1-0	1-0	W7
400+ yards passing	1-0	1-0	W3
450+ yards passing	1-0	1-0	W2

## TOP GAMES

### 300-YARD PASSING GAMES

#### K.J. Costello, QB

623, at LSU, 2020  
313, Arkansas, 2020

### 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

#### Kylin Hill, RB

158, at LSU, 2020

#### Osirus Mitchell, WR

183, at LSU, 2020

#### JaVonta Payton, WR

122, at LSU, 2020

## AWARDS / HONORS

### TEAM

FWAA National Team of the Week (Sept. 27)

### K.J. COSTELLO, QB

#### Preseason

Maxwell Award Watch List  
Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award Watch List  
William V. Campbell Trophy Semifinalist

#### Week 1

Walter Camp FBS National Offensive Player of the Week  
SEC Offensive Player of the Week  
Davey O'Brien National Quarterback Award Great 8  
Manning Award Stars of the Week  
Manning Award National Quarterback of the Week

### KYLIN HILL, RB

#### Preseason

Maxwell Award Watch List  
Doak Walker Award Watch List  
First Team All-SEC (Coaches)  
First Team All-SEC (Media)

### KOBE JONES, DE

#### Preseason

Wuerffel Trophy Watch List  
Third Team All-SEC (Coaches)

### BRANDON RUIZ, K

#### Week 1

Lou Groza Award Stars of the Week

### ERROLL THOMPSON, LB

#### Preseason

Butkus Award Watch List  
Second Team All-SEC (Coaches)  
Third Team All-SEC (Media)

### EMMANUEL FORBES, DB

FWW Freshman All-American Watch List

## BULLDOGS IN THE NFL

Name	at MSU	Team	Year	Pos.
Johnathan Abram	2017-18	Las Vegas	2	S
Denico Autry *	2012-13	Indianapolis	7	DT/DE
Hunter Bradley	2012-17	Green Bay	3	LS
Fred Brown #	2014-15	Denver	2	WR
Deion Calhoun #	2014-18	Cincinnati	2	OG
Tommy Champion #	2017-19	Seattle	R	OT
Brian Cole II #	2017-19	Miami	R	S
Logan Cooke	2014-17	Jacksonville	3	P
Fletcher Cox **^	2009-11	Philadelphia	9	DT
Cameron Dantzler	2016-19	Minnesota	R	CB
Willie Gay Jr.	2017-19	Kansas City	R	LB
J.T. Gray	2014-17	New Orleans	3	DB
Farrod Green #	2015-19	Indianapolis	R	TE
Gerri Green #	2017-18	Las Vegas	1	DE
Stephen Guidry - IR	2018-19	Dallas	R	WR
Braxton Hoyett	2014-18	Kansas City	1	DT
Gabe Jackson *	2009-13	Las Vegas	7	OG
Elgton Jenkins *	2014-18	Green Bay	2	OG
Chris Jones **^	2013-15	Kansas City	5	DT
Jaquarius Landrews - IR	2017-19	N.Y. Giants	R	S
Benardrick McKinney - IR *	2011-14	Houston	6	LB
Pernell McPhee	2009-10	Baltimore	10	LB
Tyre Phillips	2017-19	Baltimore	R	OT
Dak Prescott - IR *	2011-15	Dallas	5	QB
Martinas Rankin - IR	2015-17	Kansas City	3	OT
Will Redmond	2012-15	Green Bay	5	S
Chauncey Rivers #	2017-19	Baltimore	R	DE
Jeffery Simmons	2016-18	Tennessee	2	DL
Darius Slay **^	2011-12	Philadelphia	8	CB
Preston Smith *	2011-14	Green Bay	6	LB
Tommy Stevens #	2019	New Orleans	R	TE
Montez Sweat	2017-18	Washington	2	DE
Jordan Thomas	2016-17	Arizona	3	TE
Darryl Williams #	2015-19	Kansas City	R	OT
K.J. Wright *	2007-10	Seattle	10	LB
Isaiah Zuber	2019	New England	R	WR

\* - 2019 Regular Starter  
^ - 2019 Pro Bowl Selection  
IR - Injured Reserved  
# - Practice Squad



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## SERIES SUPERLATIVES

**Most points scored by Mississippi State:** 52 (1973)  
**Most points scored by Vanderbilt:** 49 (1971)  
**Largest margin of victory by Mississippi State:** +51 (2014)  
**Largest margin of victory by Vanderbilt:** +30 (1904, 1971)  
**Longest winning streak by Mississippi State:** 4 (1972-81, 1989-2003)  
**Longest winning streak by Vanderbilt:** 2 (1934-35)  
**Last win by Mississippi State:** 51-0 (2014)  
**Last win by Vanderbilt:** 31-13 (2004)  
**Current winning streak:** 3, Mississippi State (2008-14)

## TOP INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES

### INDIVIDUAL 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES (11)

Yds.	Player	Date	Att.
167	Kenny Roberts	9-2-1989	14
144	Michael Haddix	9-20-1980	21
131	Joe Reed	9-26-1970	18
123	Anthony Dixon	9-19-2009	21
117	Wayne Jones	9-22-1973	13
113	Jerious Norwood	10-4-2003	22
111	James Johnson	9-5-1998	23
111	Orlando Wade	9-2-1989	19
107	Anthony Dixon	10-11-2008	27
135	Michael Haddix	9-19-1981	14
104	Rockey Felker	9-22-1973	7

### INDIVIDUAL 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES (1)

Yds.	Player	Date	Att.
118	Justin Jenkins	10-4-2003	8

### INDIVIDUAL 250-YARD PASSING GAMES (1)

Yds.	Player	Date	Cmp.-Att.-Int.
257	Wayne Madkin	10-2-1999	13-22-0

## SERIES HISTORY VS. VANDERBILT

### MSU LEADS, 13-7-2

10/1/1904:	VU, 30-0	at Columbus, Miss.
11/3/1923:	Tied, 0-0	at Nashville, Tenn.
11/8/1924:	VU, 18-0	at Nashville, Tenn.
10/21/1933:	Tied, 7-7	at Nashville, Tenn.
9/29/1934:	VU, 7-0	at Nashville, Tenn.
9/28/1935:	VU, 14-9	at Nashville, Tenn.
10/17/1942:	MSU, 33-0	at Nashville, Tenn.
9/26/1970:	MSU, 20-6	at Memphis, Tenn.
9/25/1971:	VU, 49-19	at Starkville
9/23/1972:	MSU, 10-6	at Nashville, Tenn.
9/22/1973:	MSU, 52-21	at Starkville
9/20/1980:	MSU, 24-14	at Nashville, Tenn.
9/19/1981:	MSU, 29-9	at Starkville
9/10/1988:	VU, 24-20	at Nashville, Tenn.
9/2/1989:	MSU, 42-7	at Starkville
9/5/1998:	MSU, 42-0	at Starkville
10/2/1999:	MSU, 42-14	at Nashville, Tenn.
10/4/2003:	MSU, 30-21	at Starkville
10/2/2004:	VU, 31-13	at Nashville, Tenn.
10/11/2008:	MSU, 17-14	at Starkville
9/19/2009:	MSU, 15-3	at Nashville, Tenn.
11/22/2014:	MSU, 51-0	at Starkville

**at Starkville:** MSU, 7-1  
**at Nashville:** Tied, 5-5-2  
**at Neutral Sites:** Tied, 1-1

## SERIES NOTABLES

MSU and Vanderbilt are meeting for the 23rd time ... The Bulldogs lead the all-time series 13-7-2, including a 7-1 mark in Starkville ... Vandy's only win in Starkville came by a score of 49-19 on Sept. 25, 1971 ... MSU has won the last three meetings (2008, '09, '14) ... The two teams last met on Nov. 22, 2014 in Starkville ... The Bulldogs have captured seven of the last eight meetings dating back to 1989 and 11 of the last 13 dating back to 1972 ... The Commodores' only wins in that span were Oct. 2, 2004 (31-3) and Sept. 10, 1988 (24-20) ... MSU has limited Vandy to 30 combined points in the last four meetings with the Commodores scoring no more than 14 points in any one game in that span ... 276 miles separate the two campuses.

## 2020 TEAM COMPARISONS

Statistic	MISSISSIPPI STATE			VANDERBILT		
	Value	FBS	SEC	Value	FBS	SEC
3rd Down Conversion Pct	0.325	84	12	0.390	63	10
3rd Down Conversion Pct Defense	<b>0.348</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>1</b>	0.444	67	8
4th Down Conversion Pct	0.667	33	5	0.429	75	9
4th Down Conversion Pct Defense	0.200	8	2	0.750	83	11
Blocked Kicks	-	-	-	-	-	-
Blocked Kicks Allowed	1	61	11	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Blocked Punts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Blocked Punts Allowed	1	82	13	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Completion Percentage	0.655	27	6	0.656	25	5
Defensive TDs	1	19	7	-	-	-
Fewest Penalties	31	51	9	<b>16</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>1</b>
Fewest Penalties Per Game	6.20	50	10	4.00	8	2
Fewest Penalty Yards	232	41	7	<b>130</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>1</b>
Fewest Penalty Yards Per Game	46.40	30	8	<b>32.50</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>
First Downs Defense	95	43	2	98	48	3
First Downs Offense	93	68	13	73	73	14
Fumbles Lost	5	85	12	3	42	4
Fumbles Recovered	4	28	5	5	15	2
Kickoff Return Defense	16.50	16	3	20.00	50	7
Kickoff Returns	18.86	65	8	23.17	24	4
Net Punting	37.48	66	10	34.38	94	14
Passes Had Intercepted	14	103	14	6	79	10
Passes Intercepted	3	55	9	1	80	12
Passing Offense	318.6	18	5	188.8	80	12
Passing Yards Allowed	<b>212.0</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>1</b>	292.8	88	11
Passing Yards per Completion	8.75	98	14	9.44	95	12
Punt Return Defense	7.80	57	7	14.89	92	13
Punt Returns	8.00	46	6	7.67	51	8
Red Zone Defense	0.824	50	8	0.867	70	9
Red Zone Offense	0.500	100	13	0.500	100	13
Rushing Defense	124.2	27	3	206.3	82	13
Rushing Offense	30.2	103	14	109.0	88	13
Sacks Allowed	3.20	91	13	2.25	56	10
Scoring Defense	29.6	58	8	38.3	90	13
Scoring Offense	14.8	98	13	11.8	101	14
Tackles for Loss Allowed	5.80	42	9	8.00	86	13
Team Passing Efficiency	111.84	89	14	121.25	74	12
Team Passing Efficiency Defense	142.15	61	6	177.75	98	14
Team Sacks	2.60	37	5	1.25	91	14
Team Tackles for Loss	5.0	82	8	4.5	89	12
Time of Possession	31:52	25	2	30:51	44	6
Total Defense	336.2	21	2	499.0	97	13
Total Offense	348.8	82	11	297.8	91	13
Turnover Margin	-2.40	102	14	-0.75	83	12
Turnovers Gained	7	53	9	6	60	11
Turnovers Lost	19	101	14	9	73	11

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## LAST GAME VS. VANDERBILT

**Vanderbilt** 0  
**#4 Mississippi State** 51

Nov. 22, 2014  
 Davis Wade Stadium  
 Starkville, Miss.  
 60,493

### Vanderbilt

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Johnny McCrary	8	33	12	21	0	16	2.6
Ralph Webb	11	17	3	14	0	6	1.3
Dallas Rivers	7	12	1	11	0	3	1.6
Patton Robinette	1	3	0	3	0	3	3.0

PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks
Johnny McCrary	15	31	1	161	0	24	2
Patton Robinette	2	3	1	18	0	11	0
Stephen Rivers	0	2	0	0	0	0	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Latevius Rayford	4	36	0	14
Davis Dudchock	3	41	0	24
Steven Scheu	3	21	0	14
C.J. Duncan	2	19	0	10
Kris Kentera	1	22	0	22
Kellen Williams	1	18	0	18
Dillon van der Wal	1	12	0	12
Dallas Rivers	1	7	0	7
Ralph Webb	1	3	0	3

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB
Colby Cooke	5	174	34.8	45	1	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS
Tommy Openshaw	1	0	--	missed 41

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs		Intercepted		Yds.	Lg.
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.		
Darrius Sims	0	0	0	7	112	23	0	0	0
Trey Ellis	1	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0

### Mississippi State

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Brandon Holloway	10	68	2	66	0	19	6.6
Josh Robinson	7	65	2	63	0	26	9.0
Ashton Shumpert	14	57	0	57	1	9	4.1
Damian Williams	5	34	0	34	0	11	6.8
Nick Griffin	9	34	1	33	0	7	3.7
Dak Prescott	6	32	2	30	1	10	5.0

PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks
Dak Prescott	16	21	0	193	3	27	1
Damian Williams	3	4	0	26	1	9	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Joe Morrow	5	79	2	27
Fred Brown	2	31	0	17
Malcolm Johnson	2	28	1	19
Gabe Myles	2	17	0	13
Jameon Lewis	2	14	0	14
Josh Robinson	1	14	1	14
Jamoral Graham	1	9	0	9
Fred Ross	1	8	0	8
Ashton Shumpert	1	7	0	7
Robert Johnson	1	7	0	7
Nick Griffin	1	5	0	5

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB
Devon Bell	3	117	39.0	49	0	1

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS
Evan Sobiesk	1	1	34	made 34

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs		Intercepted		Yds.	Lg.
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.		
Fred Ross	2	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tolando Cleveland	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	5
Beniquez Brown	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	24	24

## No. 4 Mississippi State Dominates Commodores 51-0

Mississippi State cruised past Vanderbilt, 51-0, on Senior Night in Davis Wade Stadium. The big win came in response to MSU's first loss of the season as the Bulldogs answered with their biggest conference win since beating Ole Miss by 65 in 1915. It was the first conference shutout since 1999 against South Carolina. The Bulldogs out-gained the Commodores, 502-228 offensively, holding Vandy to 27 yards on the ground as State racked up four tackles for loss and forced three turnovers. Junior quarterback **Dak Prescott** finished the game 16-of-21 passing for 193 yards and three touchdowns, also rushing for 30 yards and a score. **Joe Morrow** set careers highs for receptions (5), yards (79) and touchdowns (2) in the contest. Senior linebacker **Christian Holmes** was the star on defense, highlighted by his 50-yard fumble return for a touchdown.

Vanderbilt	0	0	0	0	0
Mississippi State	13	24	7	7	51

1st	08:01	MS	Malcolm Johnson 9 yd pass from Dak Prescott (Evan Sobiesk kick failed)
	05:05	MS	Joe Morrow 27 yd pass from Dak Prescott (Evan Sobiesk kick)
2nd	14:01	MS	Christian Holmes 51 yd fumble recovery (Evan Sobiesk kick)
	08:27	MS	Josh Robinson 14 yd pass from Dak Prescott (Evan Sobiesk kick)
	02:31	MS	Dak Prescott 4 yd run (Evan Sobiesk kick)
	00:00	MS	Evan Sobiesk 34 yd field goal
3rd	04:23	MS	Ashton Shumpert 3 yd run (Evan Sobiesk kick)
4th	14:55	MS	Joe Morrow 9 yd pass from Damian Williams (Evan Sobiesk kick)

### Team Stats

	VAN	MSU
FIRST DOWNS	15	32
Rushing	5	18
Passing	7	11
Penalty	3	3
NET YARDS RUSHING	49	283
Rushing Attempts	27	51
Average Per Rush	1.8	5.5
NET YARDS PASSING	179	219
Completions-Attempts-Int	17-36-2	19-25-0
Average Per Attempt	5.0	8.8
Average Per Completion	10.5	11.5
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	228	502
Total offense plays	63	76
Average Gain Per Play	3.6	6.6
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties: Number-Yards	5-57	11-87
PUNTS-YARDS	5-174	3-117
KICKOFFS-YARDS	1-65	8-484
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-5-0	2-4-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	7-112-0	0-0-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	2-29-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-51-1
Possession Time	28:34	31:26
Third-Down Conversions	4 of 15	11 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	2 of 4	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	0-1	7-7
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-2	2-12
PAT Kicks	0-0	6-7
Field Goals	0-1	1-1
Points Off Turnovers	0	17



# NOTEBOOK

## 11 GRADUATES ON MSU'S ROSTER



Name	Pos.	Degree
Jay Banks	WR	Criminal Justice (Louisville)
Paul Blackwell	LS	Chemical Engineering
K.J. Costello	QB	Political Science (Stanford)
Dontea Jones	WR	Interdisciplinary Studies
Kobe Jones	DE	Business Administration
Scott Lashley	OL	Human Environmental Sciences (Alabama)
Osirus Mitchell	WR	Human Development and Family Science
C.J. Morgan	S	Political Science
Brandon Ruiz	K	Liberal Studies (Arizona State)
Matt Stanic	OL	Accounting
Austin Williams	WR	Finance

## TOUGH SCHEDULE

According to ESPN's Football Power Index (FPI) preseason ranking, MSU owned the second-hardest schedule in the nation in 2020. Only Arkansas had a higher strength of schedule rating. SEC teams boasted 14 of the 15 strongest schedules according to FPI. Five of State's 10 opponents were ranked in the AP Preseason Top 25, and all five were among the Top 15.

## 2010s: THE MOST SUCCESSFUL DECADE IN MSU HISTORY

From 2010-19, State posted a 79-61 (.564) record on the field, appeared in a bowl every season, finished in the final polls four times (2010, 2014, 2017, 2018) and produced 15 All-American honors and 37 first or second-team All-SEC selections. In 2014, the Bulldogs went from unranked to No. 1 faster than any team in college football history and spent five consecutive weeks at the top spot. Prior to the 2010s, the Bulldogs' best decade was the 1990s with 64 total victories.

## FROM STATE TO SUNDAYS

Bulldogs continue to dominate NFL rosters in 2020 with 36 players on active rosters or practice squads. Of those, 27 have seen the field for at least one NFL game this season. Six current active Bulldogs have been selected to the Pro Bowl during their careers, including Philadelphia Eagles defensive tackle Fletcher Cox and cornerback Darius Slay, Seattle Seahawks linebacker K.J. Wright and Kansas City Chiefs defensive tackle Chris Jones, who won his first Super Bowl ring in February. Pro Bowlers Dak Prescott (Dallas Cowboys) and Benardrick McKinney (Houston Texans) are both on injured reserve for the remainder of the 2020 season.

## PROPULSION TOWARD EXCELLENCE

For its homecoming matchup against Vanderbilt, Mississippi State is bringing back The Flying M logo. Worn over a six-year period in the late 60s and early 70s, the mark was born out of State's close ties to the United States' space program and America's drive to land the first man on the moon. Aerospace and aeronautics research is a major pride point for the university. Today MSU is part of the FAA Center of Excellence for Unmanned Aerial Systems, continuing the tradition of national excellence in flight.



## UNDER NEW LEADERSHIP

**Mike Leach** was hired as the 34th head coach in program history on Jan. 9, 2020. He previously spent eight seasons at Washington State where he was twice named Pac-12 Coach of the Year. In 2018, he was tabbed the AFCA National Coach of the Year for the second time in his career. Prior to his stint with the Cougars, Leach took Texas Tech to a bowl game in 10 consecutive seasons, setting a program record with 84 victories in his tenure. He's the only active Power 5 head coach to produce an 11-win season at two different programs since 2008.

## ARNETT TO DIRECT DEFENSE

Leach tabbed **Zach Arnett**, a rising star in college football's coaching ranks, to serve as his defensive coordinator and linebackers coach. Arnett, who was selected as a member of the prestigious AFCA 35 Under 35 Coaches Leadership Institute in 2020, led a 2019 San Diego State defense that ranked in the top 10 nationally in seven categories.

## ARNETT'S NATIONAL DEFENSIVE RANKINGS SINCE 2018 (TWO SEASONS)

- Rushing yards allowed per game (1st – 89.6)
- Rushing yards allowed per carry (1st – 2.9)
- Fewest 30-point games allowed (T1st – 2)
- Fewest 40-point games allowed (T1st – 0 ... one of just six teams)
- Percentage of big plays allowed (2nd – 9.2) with only 153 of 1,658 opponent plays gaining either a 12-plus yard run or 15-plus yard pass
- Percentage of drives that they kept their opponent from crossing the 50-yard line (4th – 61.3)
- Percentage drives that their opponent covered less than 25 yards (4th – 60.1)
- Percentage drives holding their opponent scoreless (6th – 76.3)
- Points per play allowed (10th – 0.3) and points per possession allowed (10th – 1.3)
- Yards allowed per play (14th – 4.9)

## 50 BURGER

Mississippi State has scored 50+ points in at least one game in nine consecutive seasons, entering the 2020 campaign. The last time MSU did so came in a 54-24 victory at Arkansas on Nov. 2, 2019. The 54 points were MSU's most in an SEC game since the Bulldogs' 55-20 win at Ole Miss on Nov. 26, 2016. State has put up 50+ points four times since 2018, tied for the fourth most in the SEC during that span. The Bulldogs are one of just five SEC teams to log multiple 50+ point games against SEC opponents during that stretch. MSU has scored 50+ points 17 times over the last 15 seasons and is 17-0 in those games.

## EYING THE RECORD BOOK

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

At Iowa Wesleyan, his offense broke 26 national records. In 1993 at Valdosta State, the Blazer offense smashed 66 school records, 22 conference records and seven national records. The following year, they again shattered 80 school records, 35 conference records and seven more national marks.

Three Mississippi State school records (passing yardage, completions and attempts) have already fallen as the Bulldogs passed for 623 yards against LSU in Leach's first game on Sept. 26 then completed 45 passes at Kentucky on Oct. 10. Many more are in jeopardy, as Leach's WSU offense has surpassed them on more than one occasion during his tenure.

Team Season	MSU Record	Bettered	WSU Last	WSU Best
Passing Yards	4,113 (2015)	7 times	5,683 (2019)	5,732 (2014)
Passing Yards/Game	316.4 (2015)	8 times	437.2 (2019)	477.7 (2014)
Total Points	480 (2014)	3 times	491 (2019)	496 (2016)
Points/Game	36.9 (2014)	3 times	37.8 (2019)	38.2 (2016)
Total Offense/Game	513.8 (2014)	1 time	517.5 (2014)	517.5 (2014)

Team Game	MSU Record	Bettered	WSU Last	WSU Best
Total Points*	82 (11-18-1910)	Tied twice	69 (11-17-2018)	69 (11-5-2016)
<i>Modern Game</i>	<i>69 (11-2-1946)</i>			
Total Offense	669 (10-29-2016)	3 times	720 (9-21-2019)	812 (10-4-2014)

## THE QUARTERBACK WHISPERER

**Mike Leach** has coached a 3,000+ yard passer in 17 of his 18 seasons as a head coach at Texas Tech (2000-09) and Washington State (2012-19). His first 3,000+ yard passer as a head coach was Kliff Kingsbury in 2000, Tech's first in program history. The Bulldogs have not had a 3,000-yard passer since Dak Prescott threw for a school-record 3,793 yards in 2015.

### TOP PASSING YARDAGE SEASONS UNDER LEACH (WSU AND TTU)

	Player	School	Yds.	Year	Cmp.	TDs
1.	B.J. Symons	TTU	5,833	2003	470	52
2.	Graham Harrell	TTU	5,705	2007	512	48
3.	Anthony Gordon	WSU	5,579	2019	493	48
4.	Graham Harrell	TTU	5,111	2008	442	45
5.	Kliff Kingsbury	TTU	5,017	2002	479	45
6.	Gardner Minshew II	WSU	4,779	2018	468	38
7.	Sonny Cumbie	TTU	4,742	2004	421	32
8.	Connor Halliday	WSU	4,597	2013	449	34
9.	Luke Falk	WSU	4,561	2015	447	38
10.	Graham Harrell	TTU	4,555	2006	412	38
11.	Luke Falk	WSU	4,468	2016	443	38
12.	Cody Hodges	TTU	4,238	2005	353	31
13.	Connor Halliday	WSU	3,873	2014	354	32

> *Dak Prescott holds the MSU single-season record with 3,793 yards in 2015*

## SPREADING THE LOVE

**Mike Leach** has seen at least five receivers total 50+ catches in each of the last three seasons. In 2015, both Gabe Marks and Dom Williams surpassed the 1,000-yard mark. MSU's last 1,000-yard receiver was Fred Ross (1,007 yards) on his way to setting the single-season Bulldog record with 88 catches in 2015.

### TOP RECEIVING YARDAGE SEASONS UNDER LEACH (WSU AND TTU)

	Player	School	Yds.	Year	Rec.	TDs
1.	Michael Crabtree	TTU	1,962	2007	134	22
2.	Vince Mayle	WSU	1,483	2014	106	9
3.	Joel Filani	TTU	1,300	2006	91	13
4.	Danny Amendola	TTU	1,245	2007	109	6
5.	Gabe Marks	WSU	1,192	2015	104	15
6.	Carlos Francis	TTU	1,177	2003	75	9
7.	Jarrett Hicks	TTU	1,177	2004	76	13
8.	Michael Crabtree	TTU	1,165	2008	97	19
9.	Brandon Arconado	WSU	1,109	2019	78	7
10.	Wes Welker	TTU	1,089	2003	97	9
11.	Nehemiah Glover	TTU	1,081	2003	77	9
12.	Wes Welker	TTU	1,054	2002	86	7
13.	Joel Filani	TTU	1,048	2005	65	8
14.	Dom Williams	WSU	1,040	2015	75	11

> *Mardye McDale holds the MSU single-season record with 1,035 yards in 1978*

## AIRING IT OUT

- MSU surpassed the 1,000 yards passing milestone in three games, marking the fewest games needed to reach 1,000 yards through the air in school history.
- 70 passing attempts at Kentucky are the most in a single game in SEC and MSU history.
  - Previous MSU: 60 attempts in each of the first two games of the 2020 season.
  - Previous SEC: 69 by LSU against Auburn in 1999.
- 45 completions are a program record and sit No. 3 all-time in a single game in SEC history.
  - The two games better in the SEC belong to Kentucky during the 1998 season, when Mike Leach was the offensive coordinator for the Wildcats.

## GRADING THE AIR RAID

**Mike Leach** is one of the original architects of the Air Raid offense and few have proven its effectiveness more than he has. While at Washington State, Leach's Cougars ranked in the top 20 in passing grade according to Pro Football Focus in four of the last six years. His teams also led the NCAA in passing yardage four times while at WSU.

Year	Grade	Rank	Leader	Grade
2019	82.2	20th	LSU	94.0
2018	87.5	7th	Oklahoma	94.0
2016	83.4	11th	Oklahoma	94.3
2014	80.8	15th	USC	92.1

## FREQUENT FLIERS

QBs **Will Rogers** and **K.J. Costello** are no strangers to the Air Raid offense. Rogers ran a similar scheme at Brandon High School. He was recruited by head coach **Mike Leach** while he was still at Washington State before committing to MSU prior to Leach's hiring. Brandon was also home to Jacksonville Jaguars QB Gardner Minshew II, who led the nation in passing under Leach at Washington State in 2018.

Costello went head-to-head against Leach and Minshew while he was at Stanford. He would watch the defense's scout team film on the Cougars because he was intrigued by the Air Raid concepts. This summer, Costello and Rogers teamed up to teach their teammates the new offense before fall camp began.

## PASSERS IN THEIR FIRST START UNDER LEACH

**K.J. Costello** became the 16th quarterback to start a game under **Mike Leach** since 2000, and shattered MSU's single-game record for completions on his way to an SEC record 623 passing yards at LSU on Sept. 26. Below is a look at each quarterback's first start under Leach.

- Nine completed at least 30 passes in their debut under the "Quarterback Whisperer".
- Six passers threw for 400 or more yards.
- Seven passed for four or more touchdowns in their first start in Leach's system.
- Five made their first start in his system against a conference opponent.
- Anthony Gordon, turned in a 230.8 passer rating on the back of 420 yards and five touchdowns on Aug. 31, 2019 against New Mexico State.
- Steven Sheffield posted the highest passer rating (232.30), most passing yards (490) and most touchdowns (7) in his first Leach start (vs. Kansas State on Oct. 10, 2009).
- Cody Hodges also posted a passer rating above 200.0 against FIU on Sept. 10, 2005 (217.1).

Player	Date	Opponent	Cmp-Att-Int	Yds	TD	QBR
Kliff Kingsbury	8-26-2000	New Mexico	21-47-1	186	2	87.7
B.J. Symons	8-30-2003	SMU	23-38-1	297	3	147.0
Sonny Cumbie	9-4-2004	SMU	40-66-0	470	4	140.4
Cody Hodges	9-10-2005	FIU	29-37-0	454	4	217.1
Graham Harrell	9-2-2006	SMU	34-49-1	342	5	157.6
Taylor Potts	9-5-2009	North Dakota	34-48-3	405	2	143.0
Steven Sheffield	10-10-2009	Kansas State*	33-41-1	490	7	232.3
Seth Doege	10-31-2009	Kansas*	14-28-0	159	1	109.5
Jeff Tuel	9-1-2012	BYU	30-45-2	229	0	100.5
Connor Halliday	9-15-2012	UNLV	26-45-2	378	4	148.8
Luke Falk	9-8-2014	Oregon State*	44-61-0	471	5	164.0
Peyton Bender	11-27-2015	Washington*	36-58-2	288	1	102.6
Tyler Hilinski	12-28-2017	Michigan State	39-50-1	272	2	132.9
Gardner Minshew	9-1-2018	Wyoming	38-57-1	319	3	127.5
Anthony Gordon	8-31-2019	New Mexico State	29-35-0	420	5	230.8
<b>K.J. Costello</b>	<b>9-26-2020</b>	<b>LSU*</b>	<b>36-60-2</b>	<b>623</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>168.1</b>

\* Denotes conference games

## DEFENSE HAS YOUR BACK

State's defense has been especially stout following turnovers this season. The Bulldog defense has stepped on the field following a fumble or interception 11 times this season and after four turnovers on downs.

- In those 15 total drives, MSU opponents have run 59 plays for 198 total yards (3.36 yards per play) with an average time of possession of 1:45.
- MSU has forced punts on nine of 15 drives following a turnover, including six three-and-outs, while allowing three touchdowns this season.
- When the ball is taken away by an interception or fumble, State has allowed just 158 yards over 11 opposing possessions while forcing seven punts with four three-and-outs.

## STATE HAS A TAKEAWAY IN 31 OF ITS LAST 34 GAMES

The Bulldogs have collected at least one takeaway in 31 of their last 34 games dating back to the 2017 season at Arkansas on Nov. 18.

- State has compiled 58 takeaways over the 34-game stretch.
- MSU has forced multiple turnovers in nine games since the start of 2019.
- The Bulldogs had a takeaway streak of 22 straight games before they were unable to force a takeaway vs. No. 2 LSU on Oct. 19, 2019.
- State's current streak is eight games dating back to last season with seven fumble recoveries and six interceptions in that span.

## MSU HAS AN INTERCEPTION IN 21 OF ITS LAST 31 GAMES

State has collected an interception in 21 of its last 31 games and has 26 total interceptions during that stretch. MSU had a nine-game interception streak ended against Kansas State on Sept. 14, 2019. The 26 pickoffs have been credited to 14 different players, including seven on the 2020 roster.

## BRINGING THE PRESSURE

- State is fourth in the SEC in sacks per game (2.60).
- The Dawg defense picked up 7.0 sacks to open the season at LSU on Sept. 26, surpassing their single-game high from all of 2019 (4.0).
- The last time MSU had 7.0 sacks was against Ole Miss on Nov. 28, 2015.
- Last year, State finished with 28.0 sacks for the season. The Bulldogs have 13.0 through five games in 2020.

## DAWG DEFENSE QUICK HITS

- MSU is second in the SEC and No. 21 nationally in total defense (336.2 yards per game).
- State is one of seven Power 5 teams allowing less than 350 yards per game.
- The Bulldogs are allowing 5.06 yards per play.
- MSU's rush defense ranks third in the SEC, allowing 124.2 yards per game on the ground.
- State is tied for the SEC lead in pass defense, allowing just 212.0 yards per game.
- On third downs, State has allowed 180 total passing yards, which ranks eighth in the FBS among teams that have played at least three games, and has held opponents to an 96.44 passer rating, which is 16th overall in the FBS.

## HOLDING TEAMS TO FEWER THAN 200 YARDS RUSHING

Since the start of the 2018 season, MSU has held 27 of its 31 opponents below the 200-yard rushing mark, which is tied for the third most in the SEC during that stretch.

- In 2020, MSU has three opponents to fewer than 100 yards on the ground.
- MSU has held opponents to 621 total rushing yards this season (124.2 yards per game).
- State has allowed 17 rushing attempts to go for 12 or more yards this season.
- Only three times has a team rushed for 200+ yards on the Bulldogs since 2018 - Kentucky in 2018 (229 yards), Auburn in 2019 (217), Texas A&M in 2019 (207) and Alabama in 2020 (208).
- 20 of those 27 games holding teams below 200 yards have been SEC games.

## SEC LEADERS HOLDING TEAMS BELOW 200-YARDS RUSHING SINCE 2018

Rank	School	Opp. Below 200+ Rushing	Record When
1.	Georgia	32	27-5
2.	Alabama	30	27-3
3.	Mississippi State	27	15-12
	LSU	27	25-2
	Texas A&M	27	17-10
6.	Auburn	26	19-7

## HOLDING TEAMS TO FEWER THAN 100 YARDS RUSHING

- The Bulldogs held their opponents to fewer than 100 yards rushing in each of the first three games of 2020.
- Since 1976, MSU has now held opponents under 100 yards rushing in at least three straight games on four occasions.
- The last time State held three straight opponents under 100 yards rushing came during the 2000 season when the Dawgs held five straight opponents under the 100-yard mark.
  - at Memphis - 81 yards
  - at BYU - 74 yards
  - at South Carolina - 30 yards
  - Florida - (-78) yards
  - Auburn - 18 yards
- MSU also owns a string of six straight games (1999) and three straight games (1981).

## DOWNING THE DEFENDING CHAMPS

The Bulldogs defeated reigning national champion and then-No. 6 LSU, 44-34, in Baton Rouge to open the season.

- The win marked the first time a defending national champion lost its season opener since 1998 when No. 5 Michigan lost at No. 22 Notre Dame, 36-20.
- It was the first time a defending national champion lost its opener at home since 1978 when No. 5 Notre Dame lost to unranked Missouri, 3-0.
- MSU's victory snapped the longest active win streak in the country (16 games).
- The game was MSU's highest-ranked victory in a true road game in school history.
- **Mike Leach** is the first MSU coach to defeat a ranked team in his Bulldog debut.
- It was MSU's first win in Baton Rouge since 2014 and just its second since the 1992 season.

## QUICK STRIKES

MSU moved down the field quickly on its way to the end zone at LSU. The Bulldogs put together eight scoring drives, with an average drive time of 2:42. Six of those eight drives required less than two minutes to reach the end zone.

- Average scoring drive was 6.75 plays, covered 67.1 yards and consumed 2:42.
- No scoring drive was shorter than 50 yards and four were over 70 yards.
- MSU's shortest drive required one play as RB **Kylin Hill** caught a 75-yard touchdown pass, taking just 15 seconds off the clock.

## THE CENTURY CLUB

For just the second time in school history, MSU saw three players eclipse 100 yards receiving in a game in the win at LSU last week. WR **Osirus Mitchell** (183), RB **Kylin Hill** (158) and WR **JaVonta Payton** (122) all went over 100 yards.

- The only other time MSU had a trio of receivers crack the century mark came in the Orange Bowl vs. Georgia Tech on Dec. 31, 2014 (Joe Morrow, 117; De'Runnya Wilson, 105; Fred Ross, 102).
- First time MSU had multiple 100-yard receivers since Donald Gray (207) and Fred Ross (107) did so against Samford on Oct. 29, 2016.
- Mitchell and Hill were the first SEC duo to record 150 receiving yards in the same game since 2012.
- The Bulldogs had a combined two 100-yard receivers over their previous 39 games.
- MSU had not had a single receiver record 100 yards against LSU since 2014.
- LSU had not allowed more than 420 passing yards in a game over the last six seasons.

## COSTELLO'S RECORD DAY

QB **K.J. Costello** was more than impressive in his Bulldog debut at LSU on Sept. 26. The graduate transfer became the SEC's single-game passing king while breaking multiple MSU single-game records.

- 623 yards passing (Previous: Dak Prescott, 508 - Arkansas on Nov. 21, 2015)
  - Also an SEC record (Previous: Eric Zeier, Georgia, 544 - vs. Southern Miss in 1993)
  - Became the 11th quarterback in SEC history to pass for 500 yards and first 600-yard passer
  - Ranks 11th in NCAA history
  - MSU first 400-yard passer since Nick Fitzgerald threw for 417 vs. Samford on Oct. 29, 2016
  - Ninth career 300-yard passing game
  - Since 2005, no quarterback had thrown for more than 463 yards against LSU
- 36 completions currently rank third in school history
  - Later broke MSU single-game record with 43 completions against Arkansas on Oct. 3 (Previous: Dak Prescott, 38 - Arkansas on Nov. 21, 2015)
- 60 passing attempts (Previous: Joe Reed, 53 - LSU on Nov. 14, 1970)
- Five touchdown passes (Last by Keytaon Thompson vs. Stephen F. Austin on Sept. 1, 2018)
  - First Bulldog to throw four touchdown passes since Nick Fitzgerald against Arkansas on Nov. 17, 2018

## NCAA RECORD BOOK WATCH: SINGLE-GAME PASSING YARDS

Player	Team	Date	Opponent	Yds
1. Patrick Mahomes	Texas Tech	10-22-2016	Oklahoma	734
Connor Halliday	Washington State*	10-4-2014	California	734
3. David Klingler	Houston	12-2-1990	Arizona State	716
4. Matt Vogler	TCU	11-3-1990	Houston	690
5. B.J. Symons	Texas Tech*	9-27-2003	Ole Miss	661
6. Geno Smith	West Virginia	9-29-2012	Baylor	656
7. Graham Harrell	Texas Tech*	9-22-2007	Oklahoma State	646
8. Cody Hodges	Texas Tech*	10-15-2005	Kansas State	643
9. Brian Lindgren	Idaho	10-6-2001	Middle Tenn.	637
10. Scott Mitchell	Utah	10-15-1998	Air Force	631
11. <b>K.J. Costello</b>	<b>Mississippi State*</b>	<b>9-26-2020</b>	<b>LSU</b>	<b>623</b>

\* Coached by Mike Leach

## STEMMING THE TIDE

- The Bulldogs held Alabama scoreless in the third quarter on Oct. 31, becoming the first team to hold the Crimson Tide to no points in a quarter in 2020.
- State also held Alabama to a season low in passing yards (291).
- MSU did not allow a rushing touchdown, and is the only team to keep Alabama from scoring on the ground this season.

## COSTELLO BRINGS VETERAN PRESENCE UNDER CENTER

QB **K.J. Costello** is a graduate transfer from Stanford where he started 25 games under center. He missed time with an injury in 2019. In 2018, he was named a team captain and started every game while going on to lead the Pac-12 in yards per attempt (8.57) and passing efficiency (155.0).

- Owns 10 300-yard passing games in his career (7 in 2018, 1 in 2019, 2 in 2020).
- Thrown four-or-more touchdown passes on six occasions (1 in 2017, 4 in 2018, 1 in 2020).
- 59 career touchdowns (56 pass, 3 rush).
- Ninth QB in Stanford history to throw for 6,000 yards in a career.

## STAYIN' FRESH

A trio of freshmen accounted for 217 yards of total offense (141 receiving, 76 rushing), which was 54.3 percent of State's 400 yards against Arkansas.

- RB **Jo'quavious Marks** led the team lead with 10 catches (50 yards) and carried a team-leading and career-high 10 times for 37 yards.
- Marks leads SEC freshmen with 31 total receptions, and is second in the FBS.
- Marks is also third among conference freshmen in rushing yards per game (24.2) and is fourth in receiving yards per game (27.8).
- RB **Dillon Johnson** had a career-high eight receptions for 35 yards and added nine carries (39 yards) after having just one touch in his debut at LSU (Sept. 26).
- WR **Jaden Walley** finished with six catches for 56 yards and returned a punt 20 yards.
- Four of Walley's catches went for first downs and he avoided four tackles on his way to 22 yards after catch.
- Walley is sixth among SEC freshmen with 25.6 receiving yards per game.

## MAKING HIS MARKS

RB **Jo'quavious Marks** ranks second nationally among freshmen with 31 receptions this season, which has him in the Bulldogs' single-season record book.

## MSU RECORD WATCH: SEASON RECEPTIONS BY A FRESHMAN

Rank	School	Rec.	Year	Pos.
1.	Justin Griffith	37	1999	RB
2.	Chad Bumphis	32	2009	WR
3.	<b>Jo'quavious Marks</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>RB</b>
4.	Mardye McDole	29	1977	WR
5.	De'Runnya Wilson	26	2013	WR

## MSU RECORD WATCH: SEASON RECEPTIONS BY A RUNNING BACK

Rank	School	Rec.	Year	Class
1.	Justin Griffith	37	1999	Fr.
2.	Jeff Patton	34	1985	So.
3.	Brandon Holloway	33	2015	Jr.
4.	<b>Jo'quavious Marks</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>Fr.</b>
	Marcus Rhoden	31	1966	Sr.

## BREAKING DOWN THE BULLDOGS' YAC ATTACK

Mississippi State is one of five Power Five teams in the nation with more than 1,000 yards after catch this season. The Bulldogs rank second in the SEC in yards after catch, trailing only Alabama, which has played an additional game.

- RB **Jo'quavious Marks** (174) leads all SEC true freshmen and ranks fourth among freshmen in the FBS.
- **Dillon Johnson** (72) rank sixth among SEC true freshmen in yards after catch.
- Bulldogs have avoided 32 tackles in the receiving game this season.

## POWER FIVE TEAM LEADERS IN YARDS AFTER CATCH PER PFF

Rank	School	YAC	GP	YAC/G
1.	Clemson	1,473	6	245.5
2.	Alabama	1,071	6	178.5
3.	Texas Tech	1,064	6	177.3
4.	West Virginia	1,028	6	171.3
5.	<b>Mississippi State</b>	<b>1,015</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>203.0</b>

## NOTING OSIRUS MITCHELL'S CAREER DAY AT LSU

WR **Osirus Mitchell** had a career day in the season opener at LSU, finishing with career highs in receptions (7), receiving yards (183) and touchdowns (2) against the Tigers.

- 183 receiving yards were tied for the ninth-most in a single game in MSU history.
- Most receiving yards by a Bulldog since 2016 and the most by an MSU player in an SEC game since 2007.
- One of three receivers that eclipsed 100 yards receiving on the day, marking only the second time in program history a trio of Bulldogs achieved that feat.
- Became the ninth player in school history to record 100 or more receiving yards against the Tigers, setting a school record for yards against LSU.
- Six of his catches were for first downs.
- Went for 15+ yards on six of his receptions and 25+ yards on four.
- On third downs, he caught all three of his targets for first downs, including two touchdowns.

## MITCHELL LED BULLDOG RECEIVERS IN 2019

WR **Osirus Mitchell** returns for his senior year after leading the Bulldogs in receiving yards (430) and touchdowns (6) in 2019. The six scoring grabs were a career high for Mitchell in a single season, topping his previous best of four in 2018.

- Most TD catches by a Bulldog in a single season since 2016.
- Six TD catches of 20+ yards were the most by a Bulldog since at least 2000.
- Six TD catches of 20+ yards were tied for second in the SEC and tied for sixth in the FBS.
- Hands/drop grade from PFF (80.0) in 2019 ranks seventh among returning SEC wide receivers.

## NOTING JAVONTA PAYTON'S CAREER DAY AT LSU

- Became the 10th player in school history to record 100 or more receiving yards against the Tigers (122).
- Caught a career-high six passes for a career-high in yardage.
- Matched his career-long reception (34).



## MR. RELIABLE

WR **Austin Williams** has earned his reputation as “Mr. Reliable.” Of Williams’ 39 career receptions, 61.5 percent have led to a touchdown or first down.

Furthermore, Williams had the tenth-highest hands/drop grade among returning SEC players a year ago according to PFF (81.5) and the No. 5 grade among wide outs. Williams has now caught 18 passes on the year, which is a single-season career-high for the junior.

## AUSTIN WILLIAMS’ CAREER RECEPTIONS

Year	Rec.	TDs	1st	15+	25+
2020	18	1	7	2	0
2019	11	2	5	2	1
2018	10	3	5	4	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>

## A CLOSER LOOK AT STATE’S O-LINE

The Bulldogs are replacing a combined 2,009 snaps from the starting offensive line a year ago. Left tackle Tyre Phillips (821 snaps) and center Darryl Williams (755 snaps) departed for the NFL and Tommy Champion (510 snaps) graduated. Last fall, State entered the season with a combined 71 career starts on the line, which was the fifth-most in the SEC. This year, the Bulldogs’ starting five had a combined 36 starts to begin the year.

### LT **Charles Cross**

- Has played every offensive snap this season.
- State’s highest-graded pass-blocker against Arkansas (80.6) and third-highest at Kentucky (83.1).
- Made first career start at left tackle in the opener at LSU.
- Played 22 snaps at left and right tackle last year.

### LG **Greg Eiland**

- Started 28 games in his career (17 at left tackle, nine at right tackle and two at left guard).
- Played the fifth-most snaps in 2019 among MSU’s offensive linemen (455).
- 12 snaps were at left tackle with the remainder at right tackle in 2019.

### C **Cole Smith**

- Made first career start at LSU (Sept. 26) and played every snap against Arkansas (Oct. 3).
- Transfer from LSU who appeared in two games for LSU, playing 12 snaps at center, in 2018.
- Four-star recruit per ESPN and a three-star prospect by Rivals and 247Sports.
- Top-20 recruit in Mississippi according to ESPN (No. 2), Rivals (No. 18) and 247 Sports (No. 19).
- No. 2-rated center in the nation by ESPN out of high school.
- Did not allow a sack in his junior and senior seasons of high school.

### RG **Dareuan Parker**

- Started at left guard in 11 games in 2019 and saw action in every game in 2018.
- Missed the second and third games of 2019 (injury).
- One of 13 returning SEC offensive linemen to play at least 600 snaps and allow fewer than 12 total pressures in 2019 according to PFF.
- Just 11 pressures allowed in 2019 (2 sacks, 3 hits, 6 hurries).
- Had top overall grade in the season debut at LSU among MSU offensive linemen from PFF (78.6) and an impressive run-block grade (89.1).
- Posted an 84.0 pass-block grade at Kentucky and an 80.3 pass-block grade against Arkansas.

### RT **Kwatrivious Johnson**

- Has played 223 of 367 offensive snaps this season.
- Played 15 total snaps at left tackle a year ago without allowing a pressure.
- Invited to the Under Armour All-America Game and was the No. 10 overall recruit in Mississippi according to 247 Sports.

## MORE ON THE BULLDOGS’ OFFENSIVE LINE

### LG **LaQuinston Sharp**

- Started against Arkansas on Oct. 3, playing every offensive snap and allowing just two total pressures.
- Also played 28 snaps at Kentucky without allowing a pressure, earning the highest pass blocking grade on the team per PFF (86.4).
- Led State’s line in pass blocking grade at Alabama (Oct. 31) with an 89.0 grade from PFF.
- Played 410 snaps, mostly at right guard, last fall.

### C **James Jackson**

- Made his first career start at center at Kentucky and played every snap in that game, allowing just one pressure.
- Followed that game by starting against Texas A&M and playing every snap in that contest.

## E40 IS THE LEADER OF THE DEFENSE

LB **Erroll Thompson** is the SEC’s active career leader with 267 tackles, which is 11th in the FBS, and was the only SEC defender to enter the 2020 season with 200 or more career tackles.

- Made 13 tackles against Arkansas (Oct. 3), marking the first pair of consecutive games with 10+ tackles in his career (10 at LSU, Sept. 26).
- The last time a Bulldog had back-to-back 10-plus tackle games was 2015 when Beniquez Brown had 11 vs. Alabama and 12 at Arkansas.
- Recorded double-digit tackles in four games this year, which is tied for the SEC lead and tied for second nationally.
- Recorded seven or more tackles eight times last season, including three games with double-digit stops.
- Posted seven or more tackles in 22 of his 43 career games, including 10 or more nine times.
- Led the Bulldogs in 2019 with 84 tackles, which ranked 11th in the SEC among returning players.
- Finished the 2019 season ranked second in the SEC in QB hits among linebackers (6).
- Logged 38 total “stops” per PFF, which are tackles that constitute a “failure” for the offense.
- Named to the 2020 preseason watch list for the Dick Butkus Award and the SEC Coaches’ Preseason All-SEC second team.

## CREME BRULE

LB **Aaron Brule** earned a starting role this season and recorded at least 1.0 tackle for loss in each of the first three games. He picked up the saying “creme Brule” after laying a big hit on the opening drive at LSU in the season opener.

- Leads the Bulldogs with 16 total pressures this year (12 hurries, 2 hit, 2 sacks), which is tied for ninth in the SEC (second among linebackers).
- Tied for second on the team with 2.0 sacks for a loss of 13 yards and fourth with four quarterback hits.
- Second on the team with 29 tackles.
- Third on the team lead with 11 “stops” per PFF, which are tackles that constitute a “failure” for the offense.
- Also has one fumble recovery and one pass breakup in 2020.
- Has played 279 of 338 defensive snaps this year.

## NO FLY FORBES

DB **Emmanuel Forbes** was named to the FWAA Freshman All-American Watch List after enjoying a strong start to his collegiate career.

- One of three true freshmen nationally with multiple interceptions and tied for 10th among FBS freshmen with five total pass defenses.
- Returned an interception 60 yards for a touchdown against Texas A&M (Oct. 17), marking the longest interception return by a Bulldog since Oct. 28, 2017 (Jamal Peters, 90-yard TD).
- Also ranks second in the SEC in run-defense grade from PFF (84.6).



## THE MAYOR MAKING A MAJOR IMPACT

DE **Kobe Jones**, who is called "The Mayor" for his service efforts in the Starkville community, made a major impact for the Bulldogs down the stretch in 2019. Jones entered his senior season with 70 total tackles, 18.0 tackles for loss and 5.0 sacks. He collected 4.0 sacks a year ago, which ranked second on the team.

Jones was named to the preseason watchlist for the Wuerffel Trophy for the second straight year this summer. Known as "College Football's Premier Award for Community Service," the award exists to honor college football players who serve others, celebrate their positive impact on society, and inspire greater service in the world.

Jones actively volunteers time to the Starkville Cowboys little league football and Starkville High School football programs. He currently represent MSU on the SEC Football Leadership Council and attended the Black Student Athlete Summit in Austin, Texas, last year.

## TUCKER HAS A DAY

P **Tucker Day** returned to form at Kentucky, blasting four 60-plus yard punts on the night, with two downed inside the 20-yard line.

- Averaged a career-best 59.6 yards per punt, which bested his 50.4 yards per punt average against Iowa in 2019.
- Averaging 52.0 yards per punt this season with a long of 66 yards.
- With a career-high four punts of 50+ yards, he now has six 50+ yard punts in 2020 and 21 for his career.
- Has downed 28 punts inside the 20-yard line for his career.
- Now has nine career punts downed inside the opponents 10-yard line.

## THE NEW KIDS ARE ALRIGHT

A total of 20 student-athletes have made their MSU debuts this season, including eight true freshmen.

- K **Brandon Ruiz** is a perfect 9-for-9 on extra point attempts and has hit 3-of-4 field goals, only missing a 56-yard attempt that would have been a school record.
- The graduate transfer from Arizona State also put 15 of his 17 kickoffs in the endzone for touchbacks.
- LB **Jordan Davis** had a key hit on the quarterback that led to an interception at LSU, and has 17 tackles and a pass breakup this year.
- CB **Emmanuel Forbes** is one of three true freshmen nationally with multiple interceptions.
- LB **Tyrus Wheat** is tied for the team lead with 2.5 sacks for a team-high loss of 17 yards and has recovered a fumble.

## FIRST-TIME STARTERS

17 Bulldogs have made their first career start this year, 11 on offense and six on defense. That is tied for third-most in the SEC and tied for eighth-most in the FBS.

- LB **Aaron Brule**
- S **London Craft**
- OL **Charles Cross**
- WR **Brad Cumbest**
- S **Collin Duncan**
- CB **Emmanuel Forbes**
- CB **Esaias Furdge**
- WR **Malik Heath**
- OL **James Jackson**
- OL **Kwatrivous Johnson**
- OL **Kameron Jones**
- RB **Jo'quavious Marks**
- S **Fred Peters**
- WR **Tyrell Shavers**
- OL **Cole Smith**
- WR **Jaden Walley**
- WR **Tyrus Wheat**

## COMMODORE CONNECTIONS

- S **Collin Duncan**'s brother C.J. played at Vanderbilt from 2013-17 before signing with the Arizona Cardinals. C.J. caught 124 passes for 1,452 yards and nine touchdowns with the Commodores.
- QB **Allan Walters** transferred from Vanderbilt where he spent the 2018 and 2019 seasons. Walters played three games in 2019, including his collegiate debut at No. 10 Florida.
- WR **JaVonta Payton** is from Nashville, and P **Tucker Day** grew up in Brentwood, Tennessee, about 15 minutes outside the city.

# OUTSIDE THE HUDDLE PROFILES

## #43 Paul Blackwell - LS

Both of his grandfathers – Milton Chandler and James Blackwell served in the military ... Enjoys fishing and boating ... Goal is to work as a petroleum engineer following his football career ... Also played soccer and baseball growing up ... Favorite NFL team is the New Orleans Saints ... Graduated with his degree in chemical engineering.

## #3 Aaron Brule - LB

From a military family ... Mother runs a branch of the U.S. Postal Service ... Said if he wasn't playing football, he'd be learning to run a USPS branch ... Climbed trees often as a kid and would cook eggs in the sun ... His nine best friends all play college football ... Says his calling is helping people in need and hopes to give back ... Wants to get into coaching ... Spends free time playing Madden.

## #47 Jace Christmann - K

Born John Christmann V ... His family did not call him John for the first month of his life to avoid the confusion of being a fifth-generation John ... His dad found the name Jace in an old book, which is derived from the initials J.C. ... Learned how to solve a Rubik's Cube over the 2018 season ... Runs a Twitter account dedicated to the Bulldog specialists (@4thDownDawgs).

## #3 K.J. Costello - QB

If he wasn't a football player, he'd be a professional golfer ... also enjoys ping pong, wakeboarding and snowboarding ... plans to attend law school ... sister ran a 2:45 in her first marathon and made the Olympic qualifying meet ... Graduated from Stanford with his degree in political science.

## #28 Londyn Craft - S

Chose to major in human development because he's always been able to connect with kids and was a babysitter while he was growing up ... Wants to work in the community at a YMCA ... Father, Douglas, played in the NFL ... Says his parents are his best friends ... Played soccer and ran track ... Also played hockey until second grade while living in New Mexico.

## #67 Charles Cross - OL

Nov. 25 birthday often falls on Thanksgiving ... Likes to hunt deer ... Played center in basketball as a kid ... Wants to go into real estate or own a trucking business ... Mother is a special education teacher ... Father works with special needs people at a mental hospital ... Is the youngest child in the family ... Says he can't cook, but his favorite meal is chicken and shrimp alfredo.

## #94 Jaden Crumedy - DT

Wants to work in construction design because he enjoys "hands-on" work ... Has two adopted younger sisters ... The youngest is five and is "super hyper and loves to sing" ... Stepfather taught him to grill ... Started playing football because his parents told him he was too big to just sit in the house ... Also played basketball.

## #25 Brad Cumbest - WR

Nickname is "Mule" because he's stubborn ... Avid fisher and hunter ... Also plays baseball for MSU ... Part of the Bulldogs' 2019 College World Series team ... Four different student-athletes from his high school have played in Omaha ... Fan of the country singer Alan Jackson and famous bullrider Lane Frost.

## #72 Brandon Cunningham - OL

Brought a carnival-style, blow-up alien to his freshman dorm ... Drives a motorcycle ... Said he's hunted just about everything you can except for quail ... Wants to own his own business ... Calls himself the Most Interesting Man in the World ... Mother builds Naval ships ... Played baseball and was a pitcher until eighth grade.

## #6 Jordan Davis - LB

Wants to design athletic wear after graduation ... Designs logos and draws cartoons in his free time ... Personal slogan is "No Matter What" and sketches logos using that phrase or "NMW" ... Mother works four jobs and owns a decorating business and his 15-year-old brother has started his own business as well.

## #42 Tucker Day - P

Enjoys singing and acting ... Several family members are actors ... Brother, Thomas, is on America's Got Talent this season ... Skilled at impersonating people and characters ... Avid hockey fan and enjoys playing hockey ... Big fan of the Nashville Predators and New York Rangers ... Was an amateur junior hockey player for the Nashville Junior Predators.

## #55 Greg Eiland - OL

Nickname is "Peewee" ... Enjoys being outdoors ... Avid hunter and fisher ... Rides bulls and horses ... Boston Red Sox fan ... Favorite NFL team is the Indianapolis Colts and is a big fan of Peyton Manning ... Also played baseball growing up ... Favorite candy is Reese's.

## #1 Martin Emerson - CB

Wants to be a football coach after college because he likes kids ... All of the Emerson children's names start with "M" ... Cousins, uncle and brother all share his middle name of "Lorenzo" ... Began playing football as a defensive end when he was four then moved to quarterback until high school ... Favorite class at State was on the history of MSU ... Has worn No. 1 for all but two seasons since peewee football ... Spends free time playing Call of Duty.

## #18 Cameron Gardner - WR

Nicknames are "Cam" and "Cam G" ... Starkville native reunited with former teammate Kobe Jones ... Lists the Philadelphia Eagles as his favorite NFL team and De'Andre Hopkins as his favorite player ... His brother (Navy) and nephew (Air Force) both served in the military ... Played baseball and basketball growing up ... Favorite candies are Swedish Fish and Mike N' Ikes ... Wants to serve as a secret service agent following his football career ... Lists his parents as the inspirational people in his life because "they've been through so much, and you wouldn't even know because they always have a smile on their face."

## #48 Scott Goodman - K

Is a triplet ... The only boy of the triplet set and was born second by a minute ... His older sister, Jamie, attends Ole Miss while his younger sister, Sydney, attends Auburn ... He did not grow up playing football, only starting his football career in high school ... Favorite NFL team is the New Orleans Saints ... Grew up playing soccer and baseball ... Likes to hunt and fish during his free time.

## #69 Kwatrivious Johnson - OL

Nicknamed "Dolla Bill" because his grandmother had trouble pronouncing his name ... Teammates shortened nickname further to "Bill" ... Has a new puppy this season ... Plays for his mother who passed away two years ago from breast cancer ... Played baseball and was a pitcher and catcher in elementary school ... Favorite class was college algebra because he's pretty good at math.

## #84 Donte Jones - WR

Oldest player on the team ... Wants to work in real estate because he liked to drive around to look at houses as a kid ... Ran the open 400m, 4x200m and 4x400m relays and high jumped in high school ... Favorite class at MSU was an art class where he made a mosaic of Spongebob laughing ... Teammates would describe him as "goofy" and "always laughing".

## #52 Kobe Jones - DE

One of his former coaches gave him the nickname "Mayor of Starkville" over the 2018 season ... Has worn No. 52 since he was seven ... Favorite NFL team is the Dallas Cowboys ... Favorite television show is "Power" ... Favorite food is ribeye steak ... Helps coach the Starkville Cowboys, a local little league football team ... Graduated with his degree in business administration.

## #78 Scott Lashley - OL

Transferred to MSU to be closer to his family ... Favorite home cooked meal is his grandmother's fried catfish, mac and cheese and greens with pecan pie for dessert ... Enjoys spending time with his two-year-old son, Kingston ... Enjoys reading, especially history books ... Favorite author is Claude Anderson ... Graduated from Alabama with his degree in human environmental sciences.

## #21 Jo'quavious Marks - RB

Nickname is "Woody" ... Chose his number because the Cowboys' Ezekiel Elliot is his favorite player ... Favorite class he's taken is public speaking ... Wants to be an athletic trainer after football.

## #5 Osirus Mitchell - WR

Grandmother called him "Bam Bam" growing up because he tended to break and throw things ... Skilled cooked and painter ... Wanted to play basketball not football in college his entire high school career ... Only decided to pursue football after his senior year ... Addicted to white chocolate Hershey's and hot Cheetos ... Shares the same birthday (Sept. 15) with his mother and sister ... Enjoys fishing to relax ... Vikings' 2020 draft pick Cameron Dantzler lists Osirus as the teammate that inspires him most because of his "motor to go" that pushed Dantzler to also work harder.

# OUTSIDE THE HUDDLE PROFILES

## #29 C.J. Morgan - S

Played violin before he ever picked up football and continued to play the instrument up until the 9th grade ... Is the oldest of four siblings ... Before every game, listens to his "Old Vibes" playlist, which consists of 70s to 2000s R&B ... Active brother of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity ... Loves joking around with his friends ... Favorite artist is Drake ... Says he hates to hold hands with anyone because he has "really sweaty hands" ... Graduated with his degree in political science.

## #7 Marcus Murphy - S

Plays in honor of his mother Demetrick Murphy, who passed away unexpectedly in January 2019, and his son Mason ... Mason is battling a rare genetic abnormality and is searching for a bone marrow transplant ... Wears No. 7 because it "means everything" to his family ... Enjoys hunting in his spare time ... Favorite NFL team is the Atlanta Falcons ... Says his baseball skills are his hidden talent.

## #0 JaVonta Payton - WR

Nicknames are "JP" and "Tay" ... Oldest of 12 siblings ... Enjoys watching movies in his spare time and aspires to be a voice actor following his football career ... Enjoys watching old Disney shows to remind him of his childhood ... Can quote almost all of "Shrek" ... Teammates give him a hard time over how skinny he is ... Favorite NFL team is the Tennessee Titans ... Favorite candy is Reese's.

## #38 Fred Peters - S

Wants to start his own business after college ... Wore No. 38 in junior college then was going to switch to No. 1, but former Bulldog Johnathan Abram talked him into keeping his number ... Also competed in track and field in high school, running the 100m and 200m along with the 4x100m and 4x200m relays and long jumping ... Started playing football because his cousin did in elementary school and played running back in high school ... Teammates describe him as being quiet.

## #22 Nathan Pickering - DT

Enjoys duck hunting and fishing ... Picked his guitar hobby back up over quarantine ... Grandfather was a mechanic and taught him to repair cars, which is how he decided to major in engineering ... Plans to work on pipelines after graduating ... Father is a retired veterinarian and is now a preacher.

## #12 Shawn Preston Jr. - S

Father was a high school football coach while he was growing up and would have him be a ball boy on the sidelines when he was four or five ... Both parents played college sports ... If he had to play another sport, he'd pick baseball but he quit in third grade because he got bored ... Also played soccer as a kid and was a striker ... Wants to be a high school athletic director.

## #2 Will Rogers - QB

Enjoys hunting and fishing ... Fan of Mexican food ... Entire family attended SEC schools for college ... Sister graduated from Ole Miss and is now a graduate student at Southern Miss ... Wears No. 2 because Derek Jeter wore it ... Father called plays for him in high school ... Plays cards against Austin Williams and says he always wins ... Also plays golf and has shot a 78.

## #63 LaQuinston Sharp - OL

Hopes to work in appliance repair ... Fixes cars ... Loves chocolate.

## #57 Cole Smith - OL

Enjoys fishing in his spare time ... Wants to work in criminal justice ... Favorite class in college was government ... If he had to pick another sport, he'd play baseball and be an outfielder.

## #11 Geor'quarius Spivey - WR

His first name combines the beginning of his father's name, George ... His grandmother gave him the nickname "Monk" as a child because he was hyper and jumped around like a monkey ... Loves playing Fortnite and Madden in his free time ... Feels like he is the "greatest" on the team when it comes to gaming ... Enjoys shopping for new tennis shoes and cooking ... Favorite NFL players are Chad Johnson and Julio Jones ... Played basketball and ran track growing up ... Says his inspiration is his grandmother because she "influenced me to be a better person."

## #42 Marquiss Spencer - DE

Favorite hobby is traveling ... Has visited California, New York and Dubai ... Favorite location is California because he went to Hollywood ... Favorite subject in school was art and enjoys drawing ... Favorite food is meatlover's pizza ... Also was a shot putter in high school ... Nicknamed "MJ" by his family for his initials ... Teammates call him "Kebo," "Mo" and "Quiss".

## #40 Erroll Thompson - LB

Enjoys listening to music to get hyped on gamedays ... Favorite Mississippi State tradition is the Dawg Walk ... Doesn't like oranges, and says pineapple is the best fruit ... Is scared of birds ... Go-to breakfast on gamedays is an omelet ... Played baseball until his junior year of high school ... Claims he was a better baseball player than football player growing up ... Models his game after Luke Kuechly and Bobby Wagner ... Talks to his dad, a former Alabama State football player, after every game ... His father likes to watch game replays and will critique his game.

## #88 Powers Warren - WR

Nickname is "Powow" ... Born in Kansas City, Kansas ... His hidden talent is his ability to do a back flip ... Played basketball, hockey and soccer growing up ... His father is the former Chief Operating Officer of the Minnesota Vikings and the current commissioner of the Big Ten Conference.

## #85 Austin Williams - WR

Lived in Germany for two years when he was in the fourth and fifth grades ... Father was an Air Force fighter pilot ... Enjoys skydiving, fishing and grilling ... Reads a lot ... Sister is in medical school ... Graduated with his degree in finance.

## #22 Lee Witherspoon - RB

Favorite meal is shrimp alfredo, but DeMonte Russell does the cooking ... Wants to own a computer technology business after football and eventually work on video game development ... Fascinated by computers since he was a child ... Enjoys playing Call of Duty ... Ran track in high school and finished third at the state championships in the 100m where he came up 0.05 seconds behind Bulldog track athlete Okheme Moore.

# GAME 1

Mississippi State **44**  
**#6 LSU** **34**

Sept. 26, 2020  
 Tiger Stadium  
 Baton Rouge, La.  
 21,124

## Mississippi State

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Kylin Hill	7	34	0	34	0	12	4.9
Joquavious Marks	3	15	0	15	0	11	5.0
TEAM	1	0	2	(-2)	0	0	(-2.0)
K.J. Costello	5	0	38	(-38)	0	0	(-7.6)

PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks
K.J. Costello	36	60	2	623	5	75	5

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Kylin Hill	8	158	1	75
Osirus Mitchell	7	183	2	43
Austin Williams	7	57	1	14
JaVonta Payton	6	122	0	34
Tyrell Shavers	2	68	1	37
Cameron Gardner	2	35	0	24
Dillon Johnson	1	4	0	4
Malik Heath	1	1	0	1
Joquavious Marks	1	(-2)	0	0
Kwatrivous Johnson	1	(-3)	0	0

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB
Tucker Day	2	95	47.5	58	0	0
Reed Bowman	1	39	39.0	39	1	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS
Brandon Ruiz	3	3	43	made 35, made 24, made 43

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Intercepted		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Emmanuel Forbes	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Esaias Furdge	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	20	20

## LSU

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Chris Curry	9	47	0	47	0	12	5.2
Ty Davis-Price	11	43	0	43	0	7	3.9
John Emery	7	27	0	27	0	10	3.9
Myles Brennan	11	8	45	(-37)	0	4	(-3.4)

PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks
Myles Brennan	27	46	2	345	3	47	7

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Terrace Marshall Jr.	8	122	2	37
Jaray Jenkins	5	85	0	47
Arik Gilbert	4	37	1	16
Racey McMath	3	50	0	28
John Emery	3	25	0	11
Jontre Kirklin	1	12	0	12
Kayshon Boutte	1	6	0	6
Koy Moore	1	5	0	5
Trey Palmer	1	3	0	3

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB
Zach Von Rosenberg	7	346	49.4	58	5	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS
Cade York	2	2	40	made 26, made 40

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Intercepted		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Trey Palmer	1	(-2)	0	1	16	16	0	0	0
Jabril Cox	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	14	14
Eli Ricks	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

## State Shocks No. 6/Defending National Champ LSU

The Mike Leach era of Mississippi State football was ushered in on Saturday afternoon as a record-setting day for **K.J. Costello** propelled the Bulldogs over the defending national champions, No. 6 LSU, 44-34, at Tiger Stadium. The win marked the first time a defending national champion lost its season opener since 1998 and snapped the longest active win streak in the country. It was also MSU's highest-ranked road win in program history. The Bulldogs came away with just their second win in Baton Rouge since 1992. State grabbed their first lead of the game near the end of the first quarter, when a 12-play, 66-yard drive culminated in a **Brandon Ruiz** 35-yard field goal. The lead would change four times in the second quarter, with the Bulldogs landing on top heading into the locker room. With 5:20 on the clock, **Kylin Hill** scampered 12 yards to the MSU 37-yard line before Costello found **Osirus Mitchell** from 43 yards out, giving the Bulldogs a 17-14 advantage. The Tigers' largest lead came in the third quarter, when Myles Brennan connected with Terrace Marshall on a 37-yard pass for a 24-20 lead. A 75-yard strike from Costello to Hill on the ensuing drive was all it took for the Maroon and White to regain the lead. With the score even at 34-34 in the fourth, a Ruiz 43-yard field goal and Mitchell's 24-yard touchdown reception gave the Bulldogs the lead for good. On LSU's (0-1) final drive of the game, **Emmanuel Forbes** intercepted Myles Brennan's pass in the end zone to secure the victory for State. **Shawn Preston Jr.** led the Bulldogs with 11 tackles, ignited by six solo stops. **Aaron Brule** and **Erroll Thompson** followed with 10 tackles and one sack a piece. Mississippi State racked up seven sacks, including two contributed by **Marquiss Spencer** for a loss of 10 yards.

Mississippi State	3	14	10	17	<b>44</b>
LSU	0	14	10	10	<b>34</b>

1st	04:47	MS	Brandon Ruiz 35 yd field goal
2nd	09:45	LSU	Jabril Cox 14 yd interception return (Cade York kick)
	07:45	MS	Tyrell Shavers 31 yd pass from K.J. Costello (Brandon Ruiz kick)
	05:20	LSU	Arik Gilbert 2 yd pass from Myles Brennan (Cade York kick)
	02:27	MS	Osirus Mitchell 43 yd pass from K.J. Costello (Brandon Ruiz kick)
3rd	09:33	LSU	Cade York 26 yd field goal
	06:23	MS	Brandon Ruiz 24 yd field goal
	05:01	LSU	Terrace Marshall Jr. 37 yd pass from Myles Brennan (Cade York kick)
	04:46	MS	Kylin Hill 75 yd pass from K.J. Costello (Brandon Ruiz kick)
4th	14:14	MS	Austin Williams 9 yd pass from K.J. Costello (Brandon Ruiz kick)
	11:01	LSU	Terrace Marshall Jr. 33 yd pass from Myles Brennan (Cade York kick)
	09:37	LSU	Cade York 40 yd field goal
	07:27	MS	Brandon Ruiz 43 yd field goal
	03:39	MS	Osirus Mitchell 24 yd pass from K.J. Costello (Brandon Ruiz kick)

## Team Stats

	MSU	LSU
FIRST DOWNS	24	25
Rushing	2	8
Passing	22	16
Penalty	0	1
NET YARDS RUSHING	9	80
Rushing Attempts	16	38
Average Per Rush	0.6	2.1
NET YARDS PASSING	623	345
Completions-Attempts-Int	36-60-2	27-46-2
Average Per Attempt	10.4	7.5
Average Per Completion	17.3	12.8
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	632	425
Total Offense Plays	76	84
Average Gain Per Play	8.3	5.1
Fumbles: Number-Lost	2-2	0-0
Penalties: Number-Yards	7-40	7-31
PUNTS-YARDS	3-134	7-346
KICKOFFS-YARDS	9-585	7-455
Punt Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-(-2)-0
Kickoff Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-16-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	2-20-0	2-14-1
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Possession Time	30:28	29:32
Third-Down Conversions	8 of 16	5 of 17
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	1 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-4	3-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	7-45	5-38
PAT Kicks	5-5	4-4
Field Goals	3-3	2-2
Points Off Turnovers	7	17

# GAME 2

## Arkansas 21 #16 Mississippi State 14

Oct. 3, 2020  
Davis Wade Stadium  
Starkville, Miss.  
13,564

### Mississippi State

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Dillon Johnson	9	39	0	39	1	9	4.3
Joquavious Marks	10	39	2	37	0	10	3.7
Kylin Hill	1	7	0	7	0	7	7.0
K.J. Costello	4	15	11	4	0	7	1.0

PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks
K.J. Costello	43	59	3	313	1	34	1
TEAM	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Joquavious Marks	10	50	0	13
Dillon Johnson	8	35	0	10
Jaden Walley	6	56	0	16
Osirus Mitchell	5	61	0	34
Malik Heath	5	27	0	12
Cameron Gardner	3	32	0	12
Tyrell Shavers	3	21	0	11
JaVonta Payton	2	23	1	17
Garrett Shrader	1	8	0	8

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB
Tucker Day	2	75	37.5	45	0	0
Reed Bowman	3	138	46.0	51	1	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS
none				

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Intercepted		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Jaden Walley	2	21	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
JaVonta Payton	0	0	0	2	49	26	0	0	0
Austin Williams	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

### Arkansas

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Trelon Smith	14	50	2	48	0	11	3.4
Rakeem Boyd	8	28	0	28	0	5	3.5
Feleipe Franks	8	21	13	8	0	9	1.0
KJ Jefferson	2	1	1	0	0	1	0.0
DeVion Warren	2	3	9	(-6)	0	3	(-3.0)
TEAM	3	0	15	(-15)	0	0	(-5.0)

PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks
Feleipe Franks	20	28	0	212	2	52	3

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Trelon Smith	5	22	0	10
DeVion Warren	4	100	1	52
Hudson Henry	4	20	1	12
Trey Knox	3	31	0	12
Mike Woods	3	29	0	20
Treyton Burks	1	10	0	10

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB
Reid Bauer	1	38	38.0	38	1	0
George Caratan	7	300	42.9	48	3	1

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS
none				

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Intercepted		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Joe Foucha	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	26	26
Greg Brooks Jr.	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	69	69
Nathan Parodi	1	(-1)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Arkansas Upends No. 16 Bulldogs, 21-14

No. 16 Mississippi State suffered its first setback of the 2020 campaign Saturday night as the Bulldogs dropped a 21-14 decision to the Arkansas Razorbacks at Davis Wade Stadium. Quarterback **K.J. Costello** led the Bulldogs' to a team single-game record 43 completions as State tallied 400 total yards. The Bulldogs held Arkansas to just 275 yards. The Razorbacks drew first blood on State's opening drive as Greg Brooks Jr. intercepted Costello's pass at the Arkansas 31-yard line and returned it 69 yards for the first score of the game. MSU responded with a 15-play and 7:45 drive that culminated with a 17-yard strike to **JaVonta Payton** to knot the score at 7-7. The drive marked the Bulldogs' longest scoring drive of the season in terms of both plays and time. A toss from Feleipe Franks to DeVion Warren gave Arkansas a one score advantage at halftime. The Razorbacks maintained the momentum out of the locker room. Franks found Hudson Henry in the end zone from 12 yards out to go up 21-7. **Dillon Johnson** capped off a 76-yard drive as he hauled himself into the end zone to bring the Bulldogs within one touchdown, but the Arkansas defense forced turnovers on downs in the red zone twice to hold on for the victory.

Arkansas	7	7	7	0	21
Mississippi State	7	0	7	0	14

1st	11:44	AR	Greg Brooks Jr. 69 yd interception return (AJ Reed kick)
	03:59	MS	JaVonta Payton 17 yd pass from K.J. Costello (Brandon Ruiz kick)
2nd	05:27	AR	DeVion Warren 19 yd pass from Feleipe Franks (AJ Reed kick)
3rd	11:21	AR	Hudson Henry 12 yd pass from Feleipe Franks (AJ Reed kick)
	03:50	MS	Dillon Johnson 6 yd run (Brandon Ruiz kick)

### Team Stats

	MSU	ARK
FIRST DOWNS	17	24
Rushing	6	5
Passing	10	19
Penalty	1	0
NET YARDS RUSHING	63	87
Rushing Attempts	37	24
Average Per Rush	1.7	3.6
Rushing Touchdowns	0	1
Yards Gained Rushing	103	100
Yards Lost Rushing	40	13
NET YARDS PASSING	212	313
Completions-Attempts-Int	20-28-0	43-60-3
Average Per Attempt	7.6	5.2
Average Per Completion	10.6	7.3
Passing Touchdowns	2	1
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	275	400
Total Offense Plays	65	84
Average Gain Per Play	4.2	4.8
Fumbles: Number-Lost	2-2	1-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	5-40	4-25
PUNTS-YARDS	8-338	5-213
KICKOFFS-YARDS	4-258	3-195
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-(-1)-0	3-21-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	2-49-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	3-95-1	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Possession Time	23:40	36:20
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 14	6 of 17
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 1	4 of 6
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-3	2-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-11	3-13
PAT Kicks	3-3	2-2
Field Goals	0-0	0-0
Points off turnovers	7	0



# GAME 3

## Mississippi State 2 Kentucky 24

Oct. 10, 2020  
Kroger Field  
Lexington, Ky.  
12,000

### Mississippi State

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Kylin Hill	7	17	0	17	0	4	2.4
Joquavious Marks	2	12	0	12	0	9	6.0
K.J. Costello	4	7	11	(-4)	0	5	(-1.0)
TEAM	1	0	5	(-5)	0	0	(-5.0)

PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks
K.J. Costello	36	55	4	232	0	23	2
Will Rogers	9	15	2	43	0	13	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Kylin Hill	15	79	0	12
Malik Heath	6	52	0	23
Austin Williams	5	39	0	13
Javonta Payton	5	34	0	10
Tyrell Shavers	4	18	0	6
Cameron Gardner	3	20	0	10
Joquavious Marks	3	13	0	9
Jaden Walley	2	17	0	13
Osirus Mitchell	2	3	0	5

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB
Tucker Day	5	298	59.6	66	2	2
Reed Bowman	1	33	33.0	33	1	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS
Brandon Ruiz	1	0	--	missed 56

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Intercepted		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Austin Williams	5	43	17	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jaden Walley	0	0	0	1	11	11	0	0	0

### Kentucky

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Terry Wilson	13	75	25	50	0	51	3.8
Chris Rodriguez	7	38	0	38	1	12	5.4
Asim Rose	8	22	0	22	0	6	2.8
JuTahn McClain	1	17	0	17	0	17	17.0
Joey Gatewood	2	7	2	5	0	7	2.5
TEAM	1	0	48	(-48)	0	0	(-48.0)

PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks
Terry Wilson	8	20	0	73	1	17	2
Joey Gatewood	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Josh Ali	2	22	0	17
Brenden Bates	1	14	0	14
Keaton Upshaw	1	12	1	12
Justin Rigg	1	12	0	12
Asim Rose	1	8	0	8
Demarcus Harris	1	4	0	4
Allen Dailey	1	1	0	1

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB
Max Duffy	8	359	44.9	57	3	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS
Matt Ruffolo	1	1	35	made 35

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Intercepted		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Joshua Paschal	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	76	76
Jordan Wright	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	8	8
Jamar Watson	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Jamin Davis	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
D'Eryk Jackson	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	5
Kelvin Joseph	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

## Mississippi State Falls at Kentucky

Mississippi State was handed a 24-2 defeat by Kentucky at Kroger Field. After a scoreless first quarter, Kentucky jumped out to a 14-0 lead in the second. Terry Wilson found Keaton Upshaw from 12 yards out for the first touchdown of the game. Later in the second, Joshua Paschal intercepted **K.J. Costello's** pass at the UK 22-yard line and returned it 76 yards, before Chris Rodriguez plunged two yards into the end zone to extend Kentucky's lead to two scores. The Bulldogs' scoring drought came to an end in the third quarter. A high snap sailed over punter Max Duffy's head and Duffy kicked the ball out of the back of the end zone, resulting in a safety. The safety marked the first for the Bulldogs since MSU had two safeties against Charleston Southern in 2017. The Wildcats took advantage of another turnover in the fourth quarter when Jordan Wright intercepted Costello's pass and returned it eight yards for a score. A Kentucky field goal with 49 seconds left accounted for the final margin. Through the air, Costello was 36-of-55 passing for 232 yards and four interceptions. Freshman **Will Rogers** completed 9-of-15 passes for 43 yards and two interceptions in his collegiate debut. **Kylin Hill** led all receivers with a school-record-tying 15 catches for 79 yards.

Mississippi State	0	0	2	0	2
Kentucky	0	14	0	10	24

2nd	12:13	UK	Keaton Upshaw 12 yd pass from Terry Wilson (Matt Ruffolo kick)
	03:48	UK	Chris Rodriguez 2 yd run (Matt Ruffolo kick)
3rd	05:49	MS	Team safety
4th	06:25	UK	Jordan Wright 8 yd interception return (Matt Ruffolo kick)
	00:49	UK	Matt Ruffolo 35 yd field goal

### Team Stats

	MSU	UK
FIRST DOWNS	18	10
Rushing	2	6
Passing	15	4
Penalty	1	0
NET YARDS RUSHING	20	84
Rushing Attempts	14	32
Average Per Rush	1.4	2.6
Rushing Touchdowns	0	1
Yards Gained Rushing	36	159
Yards Lost Rushing	16	75
NET YARDS PASSING	275	73
Completions-Attempts-Int	45-70-6	8-21-0
Average Per Attempt	3.9	3.5
Average Per Completion	6.1	9.1
Passing Touchdowns	0	1
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	295	157
Total offense plays	84	53
Average Gain Per Play	3.5	3.0
Fumbles: Number-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	8-57	3-25
PUNTS-YARDS	6-331	8-359
KICKOFFS-YARDS	1-65	6-375
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	5-43-0	0-0-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	-11-0	0-0-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	6-89-1
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Possession Time	34:49	25:11
Third-Down Conversions	3 of 17	4 of 14
Fourth-Down Conversions	2 of 4	0 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	0-3	3-3
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-16	2-11
PAT Kicks	0-0	3-3
Field Goals	0-1	1-1
Points off turnovers	0	14

# GAME 4

## #11 Texas A&M 28 Mississippi State 14

Oct. 17, 2020  
Davis Wade Stadium  
Starkville, Miss.  
13,142

### Mississippi State

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Jo'quavious Marks	7	25	0	25	0	8	3.6
Dillon Johnson	3	7	0	7	0	3	2.3
Will Rogers	1	0	7	(-7)	0	0	(-7.0)
K.J. Costello	9	11	38	(-27)	0	7	(-3.0)

PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks
K.J. Costello	15	22	1	99	0	19	5
Will Rogers	15	18	0	120	1	32	1

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Jo'quavious Marks	9	40	0	19
Osirus Mitchell	6	40	0	17
Malik Heath	5	57	1	32
Jaden Walley	3	37	0	19
Austin Williams	3	32	0	16
JaVonta Payton	2	9	0	5
Dillon Johnson	2	4	0	4

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB
Tucker Day	5	216	43.2	54	0	1
Reed Bowman	1	38	38.0	38	0	1
TEAM	1	0	0.0	0	0	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS
none				

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Intercepted		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Emmanuel Forbes	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	60	60

### Texas A&M

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Isaiah Spiller	18	114	0	114	2	26	6.3
Ainias Smith	10	53	1	52	0	14	5.2
Devon Achane	4	20	0	20	0	11	5.0
Kellen Mond	1	1	0	1	0	1	1.0
TEAM	1	0	1	-1	0	0	-1.0

PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks
Kellen Mond	13	23	1	139	2	51	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Ainias Smith	5	20	1	9
Jalen Wydermyer	4	30	0	11
Chase Lane	2	70	1	51
Isaiah Spiller	2	19	0	13

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB
Nik Constantinou	5	217	43.4	54	2	1

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS
none				

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Intercepted		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Ainias Smith	3	34	22	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chris Russell	1	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Myles Jones	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

## No. 11 Texas A&M beats Mississippi State 28-14

Texas A&M built a 14-0 halftime lead and rode that momentum to a 28-14 victory over Mississippi State at Davis Wade Stadium. The Bulldogs got a 60-yard interception return for a score early in the third quarter to trim the Aggie lead to 14-7 but A&M responded with a 4-play, 75-yard drive and never looked back after that. State's other score in the game came when quarterback **Will Rogers** connected with **Malik Heath** on a 32-yard strike in the fourth quarter. It was the first career touchdown for both Bulldogs and the longest play of their MSU careers. Defensively, State was led by **Erroll Thompson's** 11 tackles. **Martin Emerson** added nine stops and one pass breakup. The Aggies struck first on their fourth drive of the game with a 3-yard touchdown run by Isaiah Spiller. On the Bulldogs' ensuing drive, Texas A&M blocked MSU's punt to take over on downs at the 1-yard line. Spiller again rushed across the line for six. **Emmanuel Forbes** intercepted a deflected pass in the third quarter and took it to the end zone for MSU's first points, but the Aggies immediately answered with a 51-yard touchdown pass. Texas A&M also scored on a 6-yard pass with 8:39 left in the third quarter before the Bulldog offense put up the final points of the game in the fourth quarter.

Texas A&M	0	14	14	0	28
Mississippi State	0	0	7	7	14

2nd	14:57	TAMU	Isaiah Spiller 3 yd run (Seth Small kick)
	13:27	TAMU	Isaiah Spiller 1 yd run (Seth Small kick)
3rd	11:38	MS	Emmanuel Forbes 60 yd interception return (Brandon Ruiz kick),
	10:05	TAMU	Chase Lane 51 yd pass from Kellen Mond (Seth Small kick)
	08:39	TAMU	Ainias Smith 6 yd pass from Kellen Mond (Seth Small kick)
4th	11:11	MS	Malik Heath 32 yd pass from Will Rogers (Brandon Ruiz kick)

### Team Stats

	TAMU	MSU
FIRST DOWNS	17	15
Rushing	13	5
Passing	4	9
Penalty	0	1
NET YARDS RUSHING	186	-2
Rushing Attempts	34	20
Average Per Rush	5.5	-0.1
Rushing Touchdowns	2	0
Yards Gained Rushing	188	43
Yards Lost Rushing	2	45
NET YARDS PASSING	139	219
Completions-Attempts-Int	13-23-1	30-40-1
Average Per Attempt	6.0	5.5
Average Per Completion	10.7	7.3
Passing Touchdowns	2	1
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	325	217
Total offense plays	57	60
Average Gain Per Play	5.7	3.6
Fumbles: Number-Lost	0-0	1-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	5-40	3-25
PUNTS-YARDS	5-217	7-254
KICKOFFS-YARDS	5-325	3-195
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	4-55-0	0-0-0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	1-0-0	1-60-1
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	1-19-0	0-0-0
Possession Time	30:32	29:28
Third-Down Conversions	4 of 10	7 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	2 of 0	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-4	0-0
Sacks By: Number-Yards	6-47	0-0
PAT Kicks	4-4	2-2
Field Goals	0-0	0-0
Points off turnovers	7	7

# GAME 5

## Mississippi State #2 Alabama

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Oct. 31, 2020  
Bryant-Denny Stadium  
Tuscaloosa, Ala.  
19,424

### Mississippi State

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Jo'quavious Marks	9	41	9	32	0	20	3.6
Will Rogers	2	11	7	4	0	11	2.0
Dillon Johnson	1	1	0	1	0	1	1.0
Lee Witherspoon	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
K.J. Costello	2	4	4	0	0	4	0.0

PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks
Will Rogers	24	37	2	147	0	19	1
K.J. Costello	4	11	0	16	0	7	1

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Jo'quavious Marks	8	38	0	12
Lee Witherspoon	4	25	0	13
Dillon Johnson	4	13	0	7
Austin Williams	3	32	0	19
Jaden Walley	3	18	0	9
Osirus Mitchell	2	17	0	10
JaVonta Payton	2	16	0	8
Malik Heath	1	2	0	2
Brad Cumbest	1	2	0	2

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB
Tucker Day	5	192	38.4	48	0	0
Reed Bowman	5	196	39.2	54	2	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS
none				

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Intercepted		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
JaVonta Payton	0	0	0	4	72	22	0	0	0

### Alabama

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Najee Harris	21	120	1	119	0	14	5.7
Trey Sanders	12	82	2	80	0	25	6.7
Brian Robinson Jr.	2	5	0	5	0	5	2.5
Mac Jones	4	16	12	4	0	14	1.0
Bryce Young	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0

PASSING	Com	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Long	Sacks
Mac Jones	24	31	0	291	4	53	1
Bryce Young	0	2	0	0	0	0	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
DeVonta Smith	11	203	4	53
Najee Harris	6	36	0	11
Slade Bolden	3	20	0	13
John Metchie	3	18	0	9
Miller Forristall	1	14	0	14

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB
Charlie Scott	4	152	38.0	46	1	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	KICKS
Will Reichard	2	2	40	made 40, made 24

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Intercepted		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Slade Bolden	4	26	14	0	0	0	0	0	0
Patrick Surtain	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	25	25
Dylan Moses	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Trey Sanders	0	0	0	1	17	17	0	0	0

## Bulldogs Fall To No. 2 Crimson Tide In Tuscaloosa

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

Mississippi State	0	0	0	0	0
Alabama	17	10	0	14	41

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

### Team Stats

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

TEAM

Defense

Allowed 60+ points	South Carolina, 1995 (65)
Allowed 50+ points	at Auburn, 2019 (56)
<b>Allowed 40+ points</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (41)</b>
<b>Allowed 30+ points</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (41)</b>
Held opponent scoreless	Charleston Southern, 2017 (49-0)
Held opponent scoreless at Scott Field	Charleston Southern, 2017 (49-0)
Held opponent scoreless on the road	at South Carolina, 1998 (38-0)
Held opponent scoreless at neutral site	vs. Kansas, 1981 (10-0)
Held two opponents scoreless in one season	2014 (Southern Miss, 49-0; Vanderbilt, 51-0)
Held three opponents scoreless in one season	1963 (Samford, 43-0; at Tennessee, 7-0; Houston, 20-0)
Held an SEC opponent scoreless	Vanderbilt, 2014 (51-0)
Held two SEC opponents scoreless in one season	1998 (Vanderbilt, 42-0; at South Carolina, 38-0)
Held opponent without an offensive touchdown	at Ole Miss, 2018 (35-3)
<b>Held opponent to 10 or fewer first downs</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (10)</b>
Held opponent to 0 or fewer yards rushing	vs. Iowa, 2018 (-15 yds, 20 att.)
Held opponent to 25 or fewer yards rushing	vs. Iowa, 2018 (-15 yds, 20 att.)
Held opponent to 50 or fewer yards rushing	Abilene Christian, 2019 (27 yds, 28 att.)
Held opponent to 50 or fewer yards passing	Charleston Southern, 2017 (15)
<b>Held opponent to 100 or fewer yards passing</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (73)</b>
Held opponent to 100 or fewer yards total offense	Charleston Southern, 2017 (33)
<b>Held opponent to 200 or fewer yards total offense</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (157)</b>
<b>Held opponent to 250 or fewer yards total offense</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (157)</b>
Recorded six+ takeaways	at Kentucky, 2007 (6)
Recorded five+ takeaways	Arkansas, 2012 (5)
Intercepted five+ passes	at Memphis, 2002 (5)
Intercepted four+ passes	at Middle Tennessee, 2009 (4)
Intercepted three+ passes	vs. Louisville, 2017 (4)
Returned three+ interceptions for TDs	Arkansas State, 1994 (Walt Harris, 41 yards; Jimmy Lipscomb, 28 yards; Dwayne Curry, 29 yards)
Returned two+ interceptions for TDs	Jackson State, 2012 (Darius Slay, 52 yards; Matthew Wells, 22 yards)
<b>Returned one interception for a TD</b>	<b>Texas A&amp;M, 2020 (Emmanuel Forbes, 60 yards)</b>
Two players had 2+ interceptions	at Middle Tennessee State, 2009 (Corey Broomfield, 2; Johnthan Banks, 2)
Returned a fumble for a TD	at Louisiana Tech, 2017 (Jeffery Simmons, 90 yards)
<b>Scored a safety</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020</b>
Scored two+ safeties	Charleston Southern, 2017 (2)
Recorded nine+ sacks	at Ole Miss, 1996 (9)
Recorded eight+ sacks	Oklahoma State, 1999 (8)
<b>Recorded seven+ sacks</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (7)</b>
<b>Recorded six+ sacks</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (7)</b>
<b>Recorded five+ sacks</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (7)</b>
<b>Did not record a sack</b>	<b>Texas A&amp;M, 2020</b>
Recorded 10+ tackles for loss	vs. Louisville, 2019 (12)
Had four players record 10+ tackles	Texas A&M, 2012 (B. McKinney, 14; C. Lawrence, 13; N. Whitley, 12; M. Wells, 10)
<b>Had three players record 10+ tackles</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (Shawn Preston Jr., 11; Aaron Brute, 10; Erroll Thompson, 10)</b>
<b>Had two players record 10+ tackles</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (Shawn Preston Jr., 11; Aaron Brute, 10; Erroll Thompson, 10)</b>
<b>Passing</b>	
<b>Had 500+ yards passing</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (623)</b>
<b>Had 450+ yards passing</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (623)</b>
<b>Had 400+ yards passing</b>	<b>Arkansas, 2020 (400)</b>
<b>Had 300+ yards passing</b>	<b>Arkansas, 2020 (400)</b>
<b>Had 70+ pass attempts</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (70)</b>
<b>Had 60+ pass attempts</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (70)</b>
<b>Had 50+ pass attempts</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (70)</b>
<b>Had 40+ pass attempts</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (48)</b>
<b>Had 30+ pass attempts</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (48)</b>
<b>Had 45+ pass completions</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (45)</b>
<b>Had 40+ pass completions</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (45)</b>
<b>Had 35+ pass completions</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (45)</b>
<b>Had 30+ pass completions</b>	<b>Texas A&amp;M, 2020 (30)</b>
<b>Had five+ passing TDs</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (5)</b>
<b>Had four+ passing TDs</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (5)</b>
<b>Had three+ passing TDs</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (5)</b>

Rushing

Had 400+ yards rushing	at Arkansas, 2019 (460)
Had 300+ yards rushing	Abilene Christian, 2019 (372)
Had 250+ yards rushing	Abilene Christian, 2019 (372)
Had 70+ rushing attempts	Arkansas, 2010 (70)
Had 60+ rushing attempts	Ole Miss, 2017 (62)
Had 50+ rushing attempts	at Arkansas, 2019 (57)
Had seven+ rushing TDs	Middle Tennessee State, 2010 (7)
Had six+ rushing TDs	Louisiana, 2018 (6)
Had five+ rushing TDs	Louisiana, 2018 (6)
Had four+ rushing TDs	at Arkansas, 2019 (4)
Had three+ rushing TDs	Ole Miss, 2019 (3)
Had two+ players with 100 yards rushing	at Arkansas, 2019 (Kytlin Hill, 234; Nick Gibson, 129)
Had three+ players with 100 yards rushing	ULM, 1996 (Tony Buckhalter, 119; Nakia Greer, 110; Robert Isaac, 103)

Receiving

<b>Had two players with 100+ yards receiving</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (Kytlin Hill, 158; Osirus Mitchell, 183; JaVonta Payton, 122)</b>
<b>Had three players with 100+ yards receiving</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (Kytlin Hill, 158; Osirus Mitchell, 183; JaVonta Payton, 122)</b>
<b>Had 10+ different receivers catch a pass</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (10)</b>
<b>Had eight+ different receivers catch a pass</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (9)</b>

Total Offense/Scoring

<b>Had 600+ yards total offense</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (632)</b>
<b>Had 550+ yards total offense</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (632)</b>
<b>Had 500+ yards total offense</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (632)</b>
<b>Had 400+ yards total offense</b>	<b>Arkansas, 2020 (400)</b>
Totaled 100+ plays	Arkansas, 2010 (100)
Totaled 90+ plays	Ole Miss, 2017 (94)
<b>Totaled 80+ plays</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (84)</b>
<b>Totaled 70+ plays</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (84)</b>
Had 40 minutes+ of possession time	at Arkansas, 2019 (40:09)
<b>Had 35 minutes+ of possession time</b>	<b>Arkansas, 2020 (36:20)</b>
Had 30+ first downs	BYU, 2017 (35)
<b>Had 20+ first downs</b>	<b>Arkansas, 2020 (24)</b>
Scored 60+ points	Stephen F. Austin, 2018 (63)
Scored 50+ points	at Arkansas, 2019 (54)
<b>Scored 40+ points</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (44)</b>
<b>Scored 30+ points</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (44)</b>
Scored a two-point conversion passing	Arkansas, 2016 (Nick Fitzgerald to Fred Ross)
Scored a two-point conversion rushing	Ole Miss, 2017 (Keytaon Thompson rush)
Attempted a two-point conversion	at Texas A&M, 2019 (pass unsuccessful)
<b>Was held scoreless</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (0-41)</b>
Was held scoreless at Scott Field	LSU, 2007 (0-45)
<b>Was held scoreless on the road</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (0-41)</b>
Was held scoreless at a neutral site	vs. Florida, 1989 (0-21)
Had 20+ penalties	vs. Clemson, 1999 (21)
Had 10+ penalties	LSU, 2019 (13)
Had 100+ yards in penalties	LSU, 2019 (109)
Had 300-yard passer and 100-yard rusher in a game	BYU, 2001 (Kevin Fant 346 pass & Dicenzo Miller 119 rush)
Had 100-yard receiver and 100-yard rusher in a game	Stephen F. Austin, 2018 (Osirus Mitchell 114 receiving & Keytaon Thompson 109 rush)

## Turnovers

Did not commit a turnover	Southern Miss, 2019
Committed eight+ turnovers	at Arkansas, 2003 (8; 6 INT; 2 Fumbles)
Committed seven+ turnovers	LSU, 2007 (7; 6 INT, 1 Fumble)
<b>Committed six+ turnovers</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (6; 6 INT)</b>
<b>Committed five+ turnovers</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (6; 6 INT)</b>
Had five+ fumbles	Georgia Tech, 2009 (5)
Lost four+ fumbles	Georgia Tech, 2009 (4)
Lost three+ fumbles	Ole Miss, 2017 (3)
<b>Threw six+ interceptions</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (6)</b>
<b>Threw five+ interceptions</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (6)</b>
<b>Threw four+ interceptions</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (6)</b>
<b>Threw three+ interceptions</b>	<b>at Kentucky, 2020 (6)</b>
Did not cause a turnover	Alabama, 2019

## Special Teams

Returned a punt for a TD	UMass, 2017 (Dedrick Thomas - 82)
Returned a blocked punt for a TD	at Louisiana Tech, 2017 (Jeffery Simmons - 90)
Returned a kickoff for a TD	at Southern Miss, 2015 (Brandon Holloway - 100)
Returned a blocked FG for a TD	Southern Miss, 2014 (Jay Hughes - 70)
Returned a blocked PAT kick	vs. Texas A&M, 2000 (Julius Griffith)
Blocked three punt	LSU, 1999 (3; Robert Bean, Eugene Clinton, Rob Knight)
Blocked two punts	LSU, 1999 (3; Robert Bean, Eugene Clinton, Rob Knight)
Blocked one punts	at Louisiana Tech, 2017 (Jeffery Simmons)
Blocked a field goal	vs. Miami (Ohio), 2016 (Nelson Adams)
Blocked a PAT kick	vs. Miami (Ohio), 2016 (Johnathan Catwin)
<b>Punted 10+ times</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (10)</b>
Did not punt	Troy, 2013
<b>Had a punt blocked</b>	<b>Texas A&amp;M, 2020</b>
Had a field goal blocked	at Arkansas, 2013 (Devon Bell; 28-yard attempt)
Had a kicking PAT blocked	at Louisiana Tech, 2017
Missed a kicking PAT	at Auburn, 2019
Recovered an onside kick	at Texas A&M, 2017

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### Defense

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

### Passing

Passed for 600+ yards	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (623)
Passed for 500+ yards	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (623)
Passed for 400+ yards	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (623)
Passed for 300+ yards	K.J. Costello; Arkansas, 2020 (313)
Attempted 60+ passes	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (60)
Attempted 50+ Passes	K.J. Costello; at Kentucky, 2020 (55)
Attempted 40+ passes	K.J. Costello; at Kentucky, 2020 (55)
Attempted 30+ passes	Will Rogers; at Alabama, 2020 (37)
Completed 40+ passes	K.J. Costello; Arkansas, 2020 (43)
Completed 35+ passes	K.J. Costello; at Kentucky, 2020 (36)
Completed 30+ passes	K.J. Costello; at Kentucky, 2020 (36)
Threw five+ touchdown passes	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (5)
Threw four+ touchdown passes	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (5)
Threw three+ touchdown passes	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (5)
Threw six+ interceptions	Michael Henig; LSU, 2007 (6)
Threw five+ interceptions	Michael Henig; LSU, 2007 (6)
Threw four+ interceptions	K.J. Costello; at Kentucky, 2020 (4)
Threw three+ interceptions	K.J. Costello; at Kentucky, 2020 (4)
Completed pass for 90+ yards	Kevin Fant to Terrell Grindle; Kentucky, 2002 (91)
Completed pass for 80+ yards	Tommy Stevens to Kylin Hill; Abilene Christian, 2019 (88)
Completed pass for 70+ yards	K.J. Costello to Kylin Hill; at LSU, 2020 (75)
Completed pass for 60+ yards	K.J. Costello to Kylin Hill; at LSU, 2020 (75)
Completed pass for 50+ yards	K.J. Costello to Kylin Hill; at LSU, 2020 (75)

### Rushing

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

### Receiving

Caught 15+ passes	Kylin Hill; at Kentucky, 2020 (15)
Caught 10+ passes	Kylin Hill; at Kentucky, 2020 (15)
Had 200+ yards receiving	Donald Gray; Samford, 2016 (207)
Had 150+ yards receiving	Osirus Mitchell; at LSU, 2020 (183)
Had 100+ yards receiving	Kylin Hill (158), Osirus Mitchell (183), JaVonta Payton (122); at LSU, 2020
Caught three+ TD passes	Donald Gray; Samford, 2016 (3)
Caught two+ TD passes	Osirus Mitchell; at LSU, 2020 (2)



## Total Offense/Scoring

Had 550+ yards total offense	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (585)
Had 500+ yards total offense	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (585)
Had 400+ yards total offense	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (585)
Had 300+ yards total offense	K.J. Costello; Arkansas, 2020 (317)
Had both 100 yards passing and rushing	Garrett Shrader; Kentucky, 2019 (125 rush, 180 pass)
Scored four+ touchdowns	Nick Fitzgerald; Louisiana, 2018 (4 rush)
Scored three+ touchdowns	Kylin Hill; at Arkansas, 2019 (3 rush)
Scored two+ touchdowns	Osirus Mitchell; at LSU, 2020 (2 receiving)
Five+ touchdowns responsible for	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (5 pass)
Four+ touchdowns responsible for	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (5 pass)
Three+ touchdowns responsible for	K.J. Costello; at LSU, 2020 (5 pass)
Scored two+ non-offensive TDs	Jeffery Simmons; at Louisiana Tech, 2017 (FR & blocked punt)

## Special Teams

Scored 15+ points kicking	Derek DePasquale; UAB, 2010 (17)
<b>Scored 10+ points kicking</b>	<b>Brandon Ruiz; at LSU, 2020 (14)</b>
Attempted five+ field goals	Derek DePasquale; UAB, 2010 (5-for-5)
Attempted four+ field goals	Derek DePasquale; UAB, 2010 (5-for-5)
<b>Attempted three+ field goals</b>	<b>Brandon Ruiz; at LSU, 2020 (3-for-3)</b>
Made one field goal of 50+ yards	Jace Christmann; at Tennessee, 2019 (51)
Attempted two field goals of 50+ yards	Brian Hazelwood; Memphis, 1997 (51, 53)
<b>Attempted one field goal of 50+ yards</b>	<b>Brandon Ruiz; at Kentucky, 2020 (56)</b>
80+ yard punt	Mike Patrick; at Alabama, 1974
70+ yard punt	Tucker Day; LSU, 2019 (70)
<b>60+ yard punt</b>	<b>Tucker Day; at Kentucky, 2020 (66)</b>
Punted 10+ times	Blake McAdams; at Ole Miss, 2008 (12)
Totaled 175+ kickoff return yards	Jameon Lewis; at Ole Miss, 2012 (183, 5 ret.)
Totaled 150+ kickoff return yards	Jameon Lewis; at Ole Miss, 2012 (183, 5 ret.)
Totaled 100+ kickoff return yards	Keith Mixon; Arkansas, 2016 (106, 5 ret.)

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### TEAM

#### Defense

Held MSU to 10 or fewer first downs	at Alabama, 2018 (7)
Recorded 10+ sacks	at Ole Miss, 2008 (11)
Recorded nine+ sacks	Alabama, 2019 (9)
Recorded eight+ sacks	Alabama, 2019 (9)
Recorded seven+ sacks	Tennessee, 2019 (7)
<b>Recorded six+ sacks</b>	<b>Texas A&amp;M, 2020 (6)</b>
<b>Recorded five+ sacks</b>	<b>Texas A&amp;M, 2020 (6)</b>
Scored two+ safeties	Florida, 2005 (2)
Scored one safety	Texas A&M, 2013
<b>Held MSU to 0 or fewer yards rushing</b>	<b>Texas A&amp;M, 2020 (minus-2)</b>
<b>Held MSU to 25 or fewer yards rushing</b>	<b>Texas A&amp;M, 2020 (minus-2)</b>
<b>Held MSU to 50 or fewer yards rushing</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (37)</b>
Held MSU to 50 or fewer yards passing	Florida, 2010 (33)
Held MSU to 100 or fewer yards passing	Auburn, 2018 (69)
Held MSU to 100 or less yards total offense	at Ole Miss, 2008 (37)
<b>Held MSU to 200 or less yards total offense</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (200)</b>
<b>Held MSU to 300 or less yards total offense</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (200)</b>
Held MSU to 100 or fewer yards both rushing & passing	at Ole Miss, 2008 (minus-51 rush, 88 pass)
<b>Returned an interception for a TD</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (Patrick Surtain; 25 yards)</b>
Returned a fumble for a TD	Louisville, 2019 (Khane Pass 31-yd fumble recovery)

#### Passing

Had 400+ yards passing	Samford, 2016 (468)
<b>Had 300+ yards passing</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (345)</b>
Had 60+ pass attempts	Samford, 2016 (70)
Had 50+ pass attempts	Samford, 2016 (70)
<b>Had 40+ pass attempts</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (46)</b>
Had 40+ pass completions	Samford, 2016 (42)
Had 30+ pass completions	Alabama, 2016 (31)
<b>Had 20+ pass completions</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (24)</b>
Threw five+ passing TDs	Alabama, 2016 (5)
<b>Threw four+ passing TDs</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (4)</b>
<b>Threw three+ passing TDs</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (3)</b>

#### Rushing

Had 400+ yards rushing	Georgia Tech, 2014 (452)
Had 300+ yards rushing	Arkansas, 2016 (357)
<b>Had 200+ yards rushing</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (208)</b>
Had 70+ rushing attempts	Oklahoma State, 1998 (71)
Had 60+ rushing attempts	Georgia Tech, 2014 (61)
Had 50+ rushing attempts	Auburn, 2016 (58)
<b>Had 40+ rushing attempts</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (40)</b>
Had six+ rushing TDs	Auburn, 2019 (6)
Had five+ rushing TDs	Auburn, 2019 (6)
Had four+ rushing TDs	Texas A&M, 2019 (4)
Had two players with 100 yards rushing	Arkansas, 2016 (Rawleigh Williams III 205, Dewwah Whaley 112)

#### Receiving

Had two players with 100 yards receiving in a game	Samford, 2016 (Karelc Hamilton 213 and Kelvin McKnight 115)
Had 10+ players catch a pass	Florida, 2018 (12)
<b>Had eight+ players catch a pass</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (9)</b>
<b>Total Offense/Scoring</b>	
Had 600+ yards total offense	Arkansas, 2016 (661)
Had 500+ yards total offense	vs. Louisville, 2019 (510)
<b>Had 400+ yards total offense</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (499)</b>
Totaled 100+ plays	Samford, 2016 (104)
Totaled 90+ plays	Samford, 2016 (104)
<b>Totaled 80+ plays</b>	<b>at LSU, 2020 (84)</b>
<b>Totaled 70+ plays</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (73)</b>
Scored a two-point conversion rushing	Southern Miss, 2019 (pass)
Failed on a two-point conversion attempt	Arkansas, 2016
Had 30+ first downs	Ole Miss, 2016 (31)
<b>Had 20+ first downs</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (26)</b>
<b>Had 10+ penalties</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (10)</b>
Had 100+ yards in penalties	LSU, 2017 (112)
Had 35 minutes+ of possession time	Louisiana Tech, 2017 (36:08)
Had two 100-yard rushers and one 100-yard receiver	Georgia Tech, 2014 (Days, 171 rush; Thomas, 121 rush; Waller, 114 rec.)
<b>Had one 100-yard rusher and one 100-yard receiver</b>	<b>at Alabama, 2020 (Harris, 119 rush; Smith 203 rec.)</b>

#### Turnovers

Committed six+ turnovers	at Kentucky, 2007 (6; 3 INT, 2 Fumbles)
Committed five+ turnovers	Arkansas, 2012 (5; 2 INT, 3 Fumbles)
Did not commit a turnover	Alabama, 2019
Had five+ fumbles	Ole Miss, 2011 (6)
Had four+ fumbles	Charleston Southern, 2017 (4)
Had three+ fumbles	Arkansas, 2018 (3)
Lost four+ fumbles	LSU, 2004 (4)
Lost three+ fumbles	Auburn, 2019 (3)

## Special Teams

Returned a punt for a TD	Texas A&M, 2016 (Christian Kirk - 93)
Returned a blocked punt for a TD	Ole Miss, 2013 (Terrell Grant - 0)
Returned a kickoff for a TD	Kansas State, 2019 (Malik Knowles - 100)
Punted 10+ times	Vanderbilt, 2009 (11)
Did not punt	Arkansas, 2016
Missed two+ kicking PATs	Tulane, 2006 (2)
Missed one kicking PAT	Ole Miss, 2019
Blocked a field goal	Arkansas, 2013
<b>Blocked a punt</b>	<b>Texas A&amp;M, 2020</b>

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### Defense

Intercepted three+ passes	Craig Steltz; LSU, 2007 (3)
<b>Intercepted two+ passes</b>	<b>Joe Foucha; Arkansas, 2020 (2)</b>
Recorded three+ sacks	Jonathan Allen; Alabama, 2015 (3.0)
<b>Recorded two+ sacks</b>	<b>JaCoby Stevens; at LSU, 2020 (2.0)</b>

### Passing

Passed for 450+ yards	Devlin Hodges; Samford, 2016 (468)
Passed for 400+ yards	Devlin Hodges; Samford, 2016 (468)
<b>Passed for 300+ yards</b>	<b>Myles Brennan; at LSU, 2020 (345)</b>
Attempted 60+ passes	Devlin Hodges; Samford, 2016 (69)
Attempted 50+ passes	Devlin Hodges; Samford, 2016 (69)
<b>Attempted 40+ passes</b>	<b>Myles Brennan; at LSU, 2020 (46)</b>
Completed 40+ passes	Devlin Hodges; Samford, 2016 (42)
Completed 30+ passes	Devlin Hodges; Samford, 2016 (42)
<b>Completed 20+ passes</b>	<b>Mac Jones; at Alabama, 2020 (24)</b>
Threw five+ touchdown passes	Brandon Allen; Arkansas, 2015 (7)
<b>Threw four+ touchdown passes</b>	<b>Mac Jones; at Alabama, 2020 (4)</b>
<b>Threw three+ touchdown passes</b>	<b>Mac Jones; at Alabama, 2020 (4)</b>
Completed a pass for 80+ yards	Jacoby Brisett to Pharoah McKeever; NC State, 2015 (82)
Completed a pass for 70+ yards	Nate Stanley to Nick Easley; vs. Iowa, 2018 (75)
Completed a pass for 60+ yards	Joe Burrow to Racey McMath; LSU, 2019 (60)
<b>Completed a pass for 50+ yards</b>	<b>Mac Jones to DeVonta Smith; at Alabama, 2020 (54)</b>

### Rushing

Rushed 40+ times	Deuce McAllister; Ole Miss, 1998 (40)
Rushed 35+ times	Kamryn Pettway; Auburn, 2016 (39)
Rushed 30+ times	Kamryn Pettway; Auburn, 2016 (39)
Rushed for 200+ yards	Rawleigh Williams III; Arkansas, 2016 (205)
Rushed for 150+ yards	Benny Snell; at Kentucky, 2018 (165)
<b>Rushed for 100+ yards</b>	<b>Najee Harris; at Alabama, 2020 (119)</b>
Rushed for five+ touchdowns	Carnell Williams; Auburn, 2003 (6)
Rushed for four+ touchdowns	Benny Snell; at Kentucky, 2018 (4)
Had a run of 80+ yards	Marquis Young; UMass, 2016 (83)
Had a run of 70+ yards	Lamar Jackson; vs. Louisville, 2017 (75)
Had a run of 60+ yards	Lamar Jackson; vs. Louisville, 2017 (75)
<b>Had a run of 50+ yards</b>	<b>Terry Wilson; at Kentucky, 2020 (51)</b>

### Receiving

<b>Caught 10+ passes</b>	<b>DeVonta Harris; at Alabama, 2020 (11)</b>
<b>Caught seven+ passes</b>	<b>DeVonta Harris; at Alabama, 2020 (11)</b>
<b>Had 200+ yards receiving</b>	<b>DeVonta Harris; at Alabama (203)</b>
<b>Had 150+ yards receiving</b>	<b>DeVonta Harris; at Alabama (203)</b>
<b>Had 100+ yards receiving</b>	<b>DeVonta Harris; at Alabama (203)</b>
<b>Caught four+ TD passes</b>	<b>DeVonta Harris; at Alabama (4)</b>
<b>Caught three+ TD passes</b>	<b>DeVonta Harris; at Alabama (4)</b>
<b>Caught two+ TD passes</b>	<b>DeVonta Harris; at Alabama (4)</b>

### Total Offense/Scoring

Had 500+ yards total offense	Devlin Hodges; Samford, 2016 (513)
Had 400+ yards total offense	Jalen Hurts; Alabama, 2016 (447)
Had 300+ yards of total offense	Malik Cunningham; vs. Louisville, 2019 (378)
Had both 100 yards passing and rushing	Lamar Jackson; vs. Louisville, 2017 (171 pass/158 rush)
<b>Scored four+ touchdowns</b>	<b>DeVonta Harris; at Alabama (4)</b>
Scored three+ touchdowns	Najee Harris; Alabama, 2019 (3 rush)
Seven+ touchdowns responsible for	Brandon Allen; Arkansas, 2015 (7 pass)
Six+ touchdowns responsible for	Brandon Allen; Arkansas, 2015 (7 pass)
Five+ touchdowns responsible for	Kellen Mond; at Texas A&M, 2019 (3 pass, 2 rush)
<b>Four+ touchdowns responsible for</b>	<b>DeVonta Harris; at Alabama (4)</b>

### Special Teams

<b>Scored 10+ points kicking</b>	<b>Will Reichard; at Alabama, 2020 (11)</b>
Kicked five+ field goals	Austin MacGinnis; Kentucky, 2016 (5)
Kicked four+ field goals	Cole Tracy; at LSU, 2018 (4)

## SCORING SUMMARY

Plays	Yds	Time	Result	Qtr.	Scoring Play
<b>at LSU (8)</b>					
12	66	6:22	FG	1	Ruiz 35-yard field goal
6	75	2:00	TD	2	Shavers 31-yard pass from Costello (Ruiz kick)
7	75	2:53	TD	2	Mitchell 43-yard pass from Costello (Ruiz kick)
9	69	3:10	FG	3	Ruiz 24-yard field goal
1	75	0:15	TD	3	Hill 75-yard pass from Costello (Ruiz kick)
5	56	1:44	TD	4	Williams, A. pass from Costello (Ruiz kick)
7	50	2:10	FG	4	Ruiz 43-yard field goal
7	71	2:36	TD	4	Mitchell 24-yard pass from Costello (Ruiz kick)
<b>Akransas (2)</b>					
15	75	7:45	TD	1	Payton 17-yard pass from Costello (Ruiz kick)
14	76	7:21	TD	3	Johnson, Dillon 6-yard run (Ruiz kick)
<b>at Kentucky (1)</b>					
--	--	--	Safety	3	TEAM
<b>TEXAS A&amp;M (2)</b>					
--	--	--	TD	3	Forbes 60-yard interception (Ruiz kick)
13	89	6:00	TD	4	Heath from Rogers (Ruiz kick)
<b>at Alabama (--)</b>					
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## SCORING BREAKDOWN

### MISSISSIPPI STATE DRIVES

**Offense:** 11 scoring drives (8 TD, 3 FG)

**Special Teams/Defensive:** 2: Safety - at Kentucky (10/10); Forbes 60-yard interception - Texas A&M (10/17).

#### LONGEST SCORING DRIVES BY:

<b>Plays:</b>	15	ARKANSAS (10/3)
	14	ARKANSAS (10/3)
<b>Yards:</b>	89	TEXAS A&M (10/17)
	76	ARKANSAS (10/3)
<b>Time:</b>	7:45	ARKANSAS (10/3)
	7:21	ARKANSAS (10/3)

### OPPONENT DRIVES

**Offense:** 20 scoring drives (11 TD, 3 FG)

**Special Teams/Defensive:** 4: Cox 14-yard interception return - at LSU (9/26); Brooks Jr. 69-yard interception return - ARKANSAS (10/3); Wright 8-yard interception return - at Kentucky (10/10); Surtain 25-yard interception return - at Alabama (10/31).

#### LONGEST SCORING DRIVES BY:

<b>Plays:</b>	15	at LSU (9/26)
	12	at Alabama(10/31)
<b>Yards:</b>	99	at Alabama (10/31)
	88	at Alabama (10/31)
<b>Time:</b>	5:35	at Alabama (10/31)
	5:27	at LSU (9/26)

# MISSISSIPPI STATE GAME-BY-GAME

	at LSU	ARK	at UK	TA&M	at Ala	VAN	AUB	at UGA	at OM	MIZ
<b>First Downs</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>12</b>					
Rushing	2	5	2	5	3					
Passing	22	19	15	9	7					
Penalty	--	--	1	1	2					
<b>Net Yards Rushing</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>(-2)</b>	<b>37</b>					
Rushing Attempts	16	24	14	20	15					
Average Per Rush	0.6	3.6	1.4	(-0.1)	2.5					
Rushing Touchdowns	--	1	--	--	--					
Yards Gained	49	100	36	43	57					
Yards Lost	40	13	16	45	20					
<b>Net Yards Passing</b>	<b>623</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>163</b>					
Completions	36	43	45	30	28					
Attempts	60	60	70	40	48					
Interceptions	2	3	6	219	2					
Yards Per Attempt	10.4	5.2	3.9	5.5	3.4					
Yards Per Completion	17.3	7.3	6.1	7.3	5.8					
Passing Touchdowns	5	1	--	1	--					
<b>Total Offensive Yards</b>	<b>632</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>200</b>					
Plays	76	84	84	60	63					
Yards Per Play	8.3	4.8	3.5	3.6	3.2					
<b>Fumbles-Lost</b>	<b>2-2</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>1-1</b>					
<b>Penalties-Yards</b>	<b>7-40</b>	<b>4-25</b>	<b>8-57</b>	<b>3-25</b>	<b>9-85</b>					
<b>Punts-Yards</b>	<b>3-134</b>	<b>5-213</b>	<b>6-331</b>	<b>7-254</b>	<b>10-388</b>					
Yards Per Punt	44.7	42.6	55.2	36.3	38.8					
Net Yards Per Punt	45.3	42.8	48.5	22.7	36.2					
Inside 20	1	1	3	--	2					
50+ Yard Kicks	1	1	4	1	1					
Touchbacks	--	--	2	2	--					
Fair Catch	1	1	2	--	2					
<b>Kickoffs-Yards</b>	<b>9-585</b>	<b>3-195</b>	<b>1-65</b>	<b>3-195</b>	<b>1-65</b>					
Yards Per Kickoff	65.0	65.0	65.0	65.0	65.0					
Net Yards Per Kickoff	41.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	48.0					
Touchbacks	8	3	1	3	--					
<b>Punt Returns</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>					
Yards	--	21	43	--	--					
Touchdowns	--	--	--	--	--					
Yards Per Return	--	7.0	8.6	--	--					
<b>Kickoff Returns</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>4</b>					
Yards	--	49	11	--	72					
Touchdowns	--	--	--	--	--					
Yards Per Return	--	24.5	11.0	--	18.0					
<b>Interceptions</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>--</b>					
Yards	20	--	--	60	--					
Touchdowns	--	--	--	1	--					
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>1</b>					
Returns-Yards	--	--	--	--	13					
Touchdowns	--	--	--	--	--					
<b>Miscellaneous Yards</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>					
<b>Possession Times</b>	<b>30:28</b>	<b>36:20</b>	<b>34:49</b>	<b>29:28</b>	<b>28:18</b>					
1st Quarter	10:40	13:57	8:13	5:23	5:11					
2nd Quarter	9:00	5:17	10:50	11:54	5:05					
3rd Quarter	4:23	9:34	10:03	4:37	8:55					
4th Quarter	6:25	7:32	5:43	7:34	9:07					
<b>3rd-Down Conversions</b>	<b>8-16</b>	<b>6-17</b>	<b>3-17</b>	<b>7-15</b>	<b>2-15</b>					
<b>4th-Down Conversions</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>4-6</b>	<b>2-4</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>2-2</b>					
<b>Red Zone Scoring</b>	<b>4-4</b>	<b>2-4</b>	<b>0-3</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>0-1</b>					
Touchdowns	1	2	--	--	--					
Field Goals	3	--	--	--	--					
<b>Sacks By-Yards</b>	<b>7-45</b>	<b>3-13</b>	<b>2-16</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>1-10</b>					
<b>PAT Kicks</b>	<b>5-5</b>	<b>2-2</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>2-2</b>	<b>--</b>					
<b>Field Goals</b>	<b>3-3</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>					
<b>Total Points</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>--</b>					
Touchdowns Rushing	--	1	--	--	--					
Touchdowns Passing	5	1	--	1	--					
Touchdown Returns	--	--	--	--	--					
Other Touchdowns	--	--	--	1	--					
Safeties	--	--	1	--	--					
Kick PAT-Attempts	5-5	2-2	--	2-2	--					
2pt PAT-Attempts	--	--	--	--	--					
Field Goals-Attempts	3-3	--	--	--	--					
<b>Points Off Turnovers</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>					

## OPPONENT GAME-BY-GAME

	at LSU	ARK	at UK	TA&M	at Ala	VAN	AUB	at UGA	at OM	MIZ
<b>First Downs</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>26</b>					
Rushing	8	6	6	13	12					
Passing	16	10	4	4	11					
Penalty	1	1	--	--	3					
<b>Net Yards Rushing</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>208</b>					
Rushing Attempts	38	37	32	34	40					
Average Per Rush	2.1	1.7	2.6	5.5	5.2					
Rushing Touchdowns	--	--	1	2	--					
Yards Gained	125	103	159	188	223					
Yards Lost	45	40	75	2	15					
<b>Net Yards Passing</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>291</b>					
Completions	27	20	8	13	24					
Attempts	46	28	21	23	33					
Interceptions	2	--	--	1	--					
Yards Per Attempt	7.5	7.6	3.5	6.0	8.8					
Yards Per Completion	12.8	10.6	9.1	10.7	12.1					
Passing Touchdowns	3	2	1	2	4					
<b>Total Offensive Yards</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>499</b>					
Plays	84	65	53	57	73					
Yards Per Play	5.1	4.2	3.0	5.7	6.8					
<b>Fumbles-Lost</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>2-2</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>2-1</b>					
<b>Penalties-Yards</b>	<b>7-31</b>	<b>5-40</b>	<b>3-25</b>	<b>5-40</b>	<b>10-71</b>					
<b>Punts-Yards</b>	<b>7-346</b>	<b>8-338</b>	<b>8-359</b>	<b>5-217</b>	<b>4-152</b>					
Yards Per Punt	49.4	42.2	44.9	43.4	38.0					
Net Yards Per Punt	49.4	37.1	39.5	39.4	38.0					
Inside 20	5	4	3	2	1					
50+ Yard Kicks	3	--	3	1	--					
Touchbacks	--	1	--	1	--					
Fair Catch	5	3	--	3	3					
<b>Kickoffs-Yards</b>	<b>7-455</b>	<b>4-258</b>	<b>6-375</b>	<b>5-325</b>	<b>8-484</b>					
Yards Per Kickoff	65.0	64.5	62.5	65.0	60.5					
Net Yards Per Kickoff	40.0	39.2	44.0	40.0	42.1					
Touchbacks	7	2	4	5	3					
<b>Punt Returns</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>					
Yards	(-2)	(-1)	--	55	26					
Touchdowns	--	--	--	--	--					
Yards Per Return	(-2.0)	(-1.0)	--	13.8	6.5					
<b>Kickoff Returns</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>1</b>					
Yards	16	--	--	--	17					
Touchdowns	--	--	--	--	--					
Yards Per Return	16.0	--	--	--	17.0					
<b>Interceptions</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>					
Yards	14	95	89	--	26					
Touchdowns	1	1	1	--	1					
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>					
Returns-Yards	--	--	--	19	--					
Touchdowns	--	--	--	--	--					
<b>Miscellaneous Yards</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>					
<b>Possession Times</b>	<b>29:32</b>	<b>23:40</b>	<b>25:11</b>	<b>30:32</b>	<b>31:42</b>					
1st Quarter	4:20	1:03	6:47	9:37	9:49					
2nd Quarter	6:00	9:43	4:10	3:06	9:55					
3rd Quarter	10:37	5:26	4:57	10:23	6:05					
4th Quarter	8:35	7:28	9:17	7:26	5:53					
<b>3rd-Down Conversions</b>	<b>5-17</b>	<b>5-14</b>	<b>4-14</b>	<b>4-10</b>	<b>6-14</b>					
<b>4th-Down Conversions</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>0-1</b>	<b>0-1</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>0-2</b>					
<b>Red Zone Scoring</b>	<b>3-3</b>	<b>2-3</b>	<b>3-3</b>	<b>3-4</b>	<b>3-4</b>					
Touchdowns	1	2	2	3	2					
Field Goals	2	--	1	--	1					
<b>Sacks By-Yards</b>	<b>5-38</b>	<b>1-11</b>	<b>2-11</b>	<b>6-47</b>	<b>2-11</b>					
<b>PAT Kicks</b>	<b>4-4</b>	<b>3-3</b>	<b>3-3</b>	<b>4-4</b>	<b>5-5</b>					
<b>Field Goals</b>	<b>2-2</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>2-2</b>					
<b>Total Points</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>41</b>					
Touchdowns Rushing	--	--	1	2	--					
Touchdowns Passing	3	2	1	2	4					
Touchdown Returns	--	--	--	--	--					
Other Touchdowns	1	1	1	--	1					
Safeties	--	--	--	--	--					
Kick PAT-Attempts	4-4	3-3	3-3	4-4	5-5					
2pt PAT-Attempts	--	--	--	--	--					
Field Goals-Attempts	2-2	--	1-1	--	2-2					
<b>Points Off Turnovers</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>14</b>					



## INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME

### RUSHING

(ATT-YDS-TD)	at LSU	ARK	at UK	TA&M	at Ala	VAN	AUB	at UGA	at OM	MIZ
Costello, K.J.	5-(-38)-0	4-4-0	4-(-4)-0	9-(-27)-0	2-0-0					
Hill, Kylin	7-34-0	1-7-0	7-17-0	DNP	DNP					
Johnson, Dillon	--	9-39-1	--	3-7-0	1-1-0					
Marks, Jo'quavious	3-15-0	10-37-0	2-12-0	7-25-0	9-32-0					
Rogers, Will	DNP	DNP	--	1-(-7)-0	2-4-0					
TEAM	1-(-2)-0	--	1-(-5)-0	--	--					
Witherspoon, Lee	--	--	--	--	1-0-0					

### RECEIVING

(REC-YDS-TD)	at LSU	ARK	at UK	TA&M	at Ala	VAN	AUB	at UGA	at OM	MIZ
Cumbest, Brad	DNP	DNP	--	--	1-2-0					
Gardner, Cameron	2-35-0	3-32-0	3-20-0	DNP	--					
Heath, Malik	1-1-0	5-27-0	6-52-0	5-57-1	1-2-0					
Hill, Kylin	8-158-1	--	15-79-0	DNP	DNP					
Johnson, Dillon	1-4-0	8-35-0	--	2-4-0	4-13-0					
Johnson, Kwatrivous	1-(-3)-0	--	--	--	DNP					
Marks, Jo'quavious	1-(-2)-0	10-50-0	3-13-0	9-40-0	8-38-0					
Mitchell, Osirus	7-183-2	5-61-0	2-3-0	6-40-0	2-17-0					
Payton, JaVonta	6-122-0	2-23-1	5-34-0	2-9-0	2-16-0					
Shavers, Tyrell	2-68-1	3-21-0	4-18-0	--	DNP					
Shrader, Garrett	--	1-8-0	--	--	DNP					
Walley, Jaden	--	6-56-0	2-17-0	3-37-0	3-18-0					
Williams, Austin	7-57-1	--	5-39-0	3-32-0	3-32-0					
Witherspoon, Lee	--	--	--	--	4-25-0					

### PASSING

#### Costello, K.J.

	C-A-I	Pct.	Yards	TD	Long	Sack-Yards	Efficiency
at LSU	36-60-2	60.0	623	5	75	5-38	168.1
ARKANSAS	43-59-3	72.9	313	1	34	1-11	112.9
at Kentucky	36-55-4	65.5	232	--	23	2-11	86.3
TEXAS A&M	15-22-1	68.2	99	--	19	5-40	96.9
at Alabama	4-11-0	36.4	16	--	7	1-4	48.6
VANDERBILT							
AUBURN							
at Georgia							
at Ole Miss							
MISSOURI							

#### Rogers, Will

	C-A-I	Pct.	Yards	TD	Long	Sack-Yards	Efficiency
at LSU				DNP			
ARKANSAS				DNP			
at Kentucky	9-15-2	60.0	43	--	13	--	57.41
TEXAS A&M	15-18-0	83.3	120	1	32	1-7	157.7
at Alabama	24-37-2	64.9	147	--	19	1-7	87.4
VANDERBILT							
AUBURN							
at Georgia							
at Ole Miss							
MISSOURI							

### KICKING & PUNTING

#### KICKOFFS

Season	KO	Total Yards	TB	OB	Kick Avg.	Returns	Rtn. Yds.	Yds./Rtn.
Ruiz, Brandon	17	1,105	15	--	65.0	--	--	--
TEAM	--	--	--	--	--	2	33	16.5

Season	KO	Total Yards	TB	OB	Kick Avg.	Returns	Rtn. Yds.	Yds./Rtn.
at LSU	9	585	8	--	65.0	1	16	16.0
ARKANSAS	3	195	3	--	65.0	--	--	--
at Kentucky	1	65	1	--	65.0	--	--	--
TEXAS A&M	3	195	3	--	65.0	--	--	--
at Alabama	1	65	--	--	65.0	1	17	17.0
VANDERBILT								
AUBURN								
at Georgia								
at Ole Miss								
MISSOURI								

#### PUNTING

Season	No.	Total Yds	Avg.	Long	TB	FC	I20	50+	Blk
Day, Tucker	19	876	46.1	66	3	2	2	6	--
Bowman, Reed	11	444	40.4	54	1	4	5	2	--
TEAM	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1

Game	No.	Total Yds	Avg.	Long	TB	FC	I20	50+	Blk
at LSU	3	134	44.7	58	--	1	1	1	--
ARKANSAS	5	213	42.6	51	--	1	1	1	--
at Kentucky	6	331	55.2	66	2	2	3	4	--
TEXAS A&M	7	254	36.3	54	2	--	--	1	1
at Alabama	10	388	38.8	54	--	2	2	1	--
VANDERBILT									
AUBURN									
at Georgia									
at Ole Miss									
MISSOURI									

## INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME

### TACKLES

(UT-AT)	UT-AT	TT	at LSU	ARK	at UK	TA&M	at Ala	VAN	AUB	at UGA	at OM	MIZ
Brule, Aaron	14-15	29	6-4	2-3	3-2	1-3	2-3					
Craft, Londyn	9-12	21	1-3	2-0	3-2	1-5	2-2					
Crumedy, Jaden	4-7	11	1-1	0-3	1-0	0-3	2-0					
Davis, Jordan	3-14	17	2-4	0-2	0-1	0-5	1-2					
Day, Tucker	0-1	1	--	--	--	0-1	--					
Duncan, Collin	7-6	13	1-0	--	DNP	1-4	5-2					
Emerson, Martin	13-14	27	1-3	5-3	1-0	4-5	2-3					
Forbes, Emmanuel	7-6	13	0-1	--	1-1	1-3	5-1					
Furdge, Esaias	8-3	11	5-1	3-2	--	--	--					
Guidry, Landon	0-1	1	DNP	DNP	--	DNP	0-1					
Harris, Jack	3-4	7	0-2	--	1-1	--	2-1					
Hill, Kytin	1-0	1	--	--	1-0	DNP	DNP					
Jackson, James	1-0	1	--	--	--	1-0	--					
Johnson, Jett	0-1	1	0-1	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP					
Jones, Kobe	3-10	13	0-3	0-3	0-2	0-1	3-1					
Lawrence, Dylan	0-3	3	0-3	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP					
Lawson, Tre	0-1	1	--	DNP	--	0-1	DNP					
Marks, Jo'quavious	1-0	1	--	--	--	--	1-0					
Murphy, Marcus	10-14	24	2-3	2-3	2-4	1-3	3-1					
Odum, Aaron	3-6	9	0-1	1-1	0-2	0-2	2-0					
Payton, JaVonta	3-0	3	--	1-0	1-0	--	1-0					
Peters, Fred	10-10	20	1-5	4-2	4-2	1-1	DNP					
Pickering, Nathan	2-14	16	0-3	1-3	0-3	0-3	1-2					
Preston Jr., Shawn	12-14	26	6-5	2-3	DNP	1-2	3-4					
Shavers, Tyrell	1-0	1	--	--	--	1-0	DNP					
Spencer, Marquiss	10-10	20	3-0	3-2	2-2	0-4	2-2					
Thompson, Erroll	17-33	50	4-6	6-7	1-4	1-10	5-6					
Timbs, Sherman	1-1	2	--	--	--	0-1	1-0					
Walley, Jaden	1-0	1	--	1-0	--	--	--					
Watson, Nathaniel	3-5	8	2-1	--	1-2	0-1	0-1					
Wheat, Tyrus	5-7	12	2-2	1-1	1-0	1-3	0-1					
Witherspoon, Lee	0-1	1	--	--	--	0-1	--					
Young, Cameron	0-1	1	--	DNP	DNP	DNP	0-1					

## INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME

### TFL & SACKS

TFL (Sacks)	at LSU	ARK	at UK	TA&M	at Ala	VAN	AUB	at UGA	at OM	MIZ
Brule, Aaron	1.0 (1.0)	1.0 (1.0)	1.5 (--)	--	--					
Crumedy, Jaden	1.0 (1.0)	--	--	--	--					
Duncan, Collin	--	--	DNP	0.5 (--)	--					
Emerson, Martin	--	1.0 (--)	--	--	--					
Guidry, Landon	--	--	--	--	0.5 (--)					
Jones, Kobe	0.5 (0.5)	0.5 (0.5)	--	--	1.0 (1.0)					
Murphy, Marcus	--	--	--	--	1.0 (--)					
Odom, Aaron	--	1.0 (--)	--	--	--					
Pickering, Nathan	0.5 (0.5)	1.0 (1.0)	0.5 (0.5)	--	1.0 (--)					
Preston Jr., Shawn	--	1.0 (--)	DNP	--	0.5 (--)					
Spencer, Marquiss	2.0 (2.0)	1.0 (--)	2.5 (0.5)	--	--					
Thompson, Erroll	1.0 (1.0)	--	--	0.5 (--)	--					
Watson, Nathaniel	--	--	0.5 (--)	--	--					
Wheat, Tyrus	1.0 (1.0)	0.5 (0.5)	1.0 (1.0)	--	--					

### TACKLE BREAKDOWN

#### RUSHING TACKLES

Thompson, Erroll	36
Brule, Aaron	25
Preston Jr., Shawn	18
Craft, Londyn	15
Murphy, Marcus	14
Davis, Jordan	13
Spencer, Marquiss	12
Pickering, Nathan	11
Jones, Kobe	10
Emerson, Martin	9
Crumedy, Jaden	8
Odom, Aaron	8
Wheat, Tyrus	8
Duncan, Collin	7
Harris, Jack	7
Forbes, Emmanuel	6
Peters, Fred	6
Watson, Nathaniel	6
Furdge, Esaias	2
Lawrence, Dylan	2
Guidry, Landon	1
Johnson, Jett	1
Lawson, Tre	1
Young, Cameron	1
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>227</b>

#### PASSING TACKLES

Emerson, Martin	16
Peters, Fred	13
Thompson, Erroll	13
Murphy, Marcus	10
Furdge, Esaias	9
Preston Jr., Shawn	8
Duncan, Collin	6
Forbes, Emmanuel	6
Craft, Londyn	5
Davis, Jordan	4
Spencer, Marquiss	4
Brule, Aaron	2
Crumedy, Jaden	2
Pickering, Nathan	2
Wheat, Tyrus	1
Watson, Nathaniel	1
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>102</b>

#### SPECIAL TEAMS TACKLES

	Total	KO	Punt
Emerson, Martin	2	--	2
Payton, JaVonta	2	--	2
Timbs, Sherman	2	1	1
Craft, Londyn	1	--	1
Day, Tucker	1	--	1
Lawrence, Dylan	1	--	1
Odom, Aaron	1	--	1
Shavers, Tyrell	1	--	1
Watson, Nathaniel	1	1	--
Witherspoon, Lee	1	--	1
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>

## INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME

### ALL-PURPOSE YARDS

	Total	at LSU	ARK	at UK	TA&M	at Ala	VAN	AUB	at UGA	at OM	MIZ
Costello, K.J.	(-65)	(-38)	4	(-4)	(-27)	--					
Cumbest, Brad	2	DNP	DNP	--	--	2					
Forbes, Emmanuel	60	--	--	--	60	--					
Furdge, Esaias	20	20	--	--	--	--					
Gardner, Cameron	87	35	32	20	DNP	--					
Heath, Malik	139	1	27	52	57	2					
Hill, Kylin	295	192	7	96	DNP	DNP					
Johnson, Dillon	103	4	74	--	11	14					
Johnson, Kwatrivous	(-3)	(-3)	--	--	--	DNP					
Marks, Jo'quavious	260	13	87	25	65	70					
Mitchell, Osirus	304	183	61	3	40	17					
Payton, JaVonta	325	122	72	34	9	88					
Rogers, Will	(-3)	DNP	DNP	--	(-7)	4					
Shavers, Tyrell	107	68	21	18	--	DNP					
Shrader, Garret	8	--	8	--	--	DNP					
TEAM	(-7)	(-2)	--	(-5)	--	--					
Walley, Jaden	160	--	77	28	37	18					
Williams, Austin	203	57	--	82	32	32					
Witherspoon, Lee	25	--	--	--	--	25					

## RED ZONE RECAP

### MISSISSIPPI STATE

Opponent	Scores/Chances	Result	Pct.
at LSU	4/4	1 TD, 3 FG	100%
ARKANSAS	2/4	2 TD, 2 Downs	50%
at Kentucky	0/3	3 Interceptions	--
TEXAS A&M	--	--	--
at Alabama	0/1	Interception	--
VANDERBILT			
AUBURN			
at Georgia			
at Ole Miss			
MISSOURI			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6/12</b>	<b>3 TD, 3 FG, 2 Downs, 3 Interceptions</b>	<b>50%</b>

### OPPONENT

Opponent	Scores/Chances	Result	Pct.
at LSU	3/3	1 TD, 2 FG	100%
ARKANSAS	2/3	2 TD, 1 Fumble	67%
at Kentucky	3/3	2 TD, 1 FG	100%
TEXAS A&M	3/4	3 TD, End of Game	75%
at Alabama	3/4	2 TD, 1 FG, 1 Fumble	75%
VANDERBILT			
AUBURN			
at Georgia			
at Ole Miss			
MISSOURI			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14/17</b>	<b>10 TD, 4 FG, 2 Fumbles 1 End of Game</b>	<b>82%</b>

## GAME LEADERS

Opponent	Rushing Attempts	Rushing Yards	Receptions	Receiving Yards	All-Purpose Yards	Tackles
at LSU	Kylin Hill - 7	Kylin Hill - 34	Kylin Hill - 8	Osirus Mitchell - 183	Kylin Hill - 192	Shawn Preston Jr. - 11
ARKANSAS	Jo'quavious Marks - 10	Dillon Johnson - 39	Jo'quavious Marks - 10	Osirus Mitchell - 61	Jo'quavious Marks - 87	Erroll Thompson - 13
at Kentucky	Kylin Hill - 7	Kylin Hill - 17	Kylin Hill - 15	Kylin Hill - 79	Kylin Hill - 96	Two Tied - 6
TEXAS A&M	Jo'quavious Marks - 7	Jo'quavious Marks - 25	Jo'quavious Marks - 9	Malik Heath - 57	Jo'quavious Marks - 65	Erroll Thompson - 11
at Alabama	Jo'quavious Marks - 9	Jo'quavious Marks - 32	Jo'quavious Marks - 8	Jo'quavious Marks - 38	JaVonta Payton - 88	Erroll Thompson - 11
VANDERBILT						
AUBURN						
at Georgia						
at Ole Miss						
MISSOURI						

## MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS

### RECEIVING

Games with a Reception	'17	'18	'19	'20	Streak	Career
Cumbest, Brad	--	1	1	1	1	3
Gardner, Cameron	--	--	1	3	--	4
Heath, Malik	--	--	--	5	5	5
Hill, Kylin	3	10	11	2	1	26
Johnson, Dillon	--	--	--	4	2	4
Johnson, Kwatrivous	--	--	--	1	--	1
Jones, Dontea	--	4	4	--	--	8
Marks, Jo'quavious	--	--	--	5	5	5
Mitchell, Osirus	5	10	10	5	6	30
Payton, JaVonta	--	--	7	5	8	12
Walley, Jaden	--	--	--	4	3	4
Williams, Austin	--	7	7	4	3	18
Witherspoon, Lee	--	--	1	1	1	2

Games with 5+ Receptions	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Heath, Malik	--	--	--	3	3
Hill, Kylin	--	1	--	2	3
Johnson, Dillon	--	--	--	1	1
Marks, Jo'quavious	--	--	--	3	3
Mitchell, Osirus	--	2	4	3	8
Payton, JaVonta	--	--	--	2	2
Walley, Jaden	--	--	--	1	1
Williams, Austin	--	--	--	2	2

Receptions of 20+ Yards	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Cumbest, Brad	--	1	--	--	1
Gardner, Cameron	--	--	--	1	1
Heath, Malik	--	--	--	2	2
Hill, Kylin	--	2	1	3	6
Jones, Dontea	--	1	--	--	1
Mitchell, Osirus	--	7	6	7	20
Payton, JaVonta	--	--	2	3	2
Williams, Austin	--	3	2	--	5

Receptions of 50+ Yards	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Hill, Kylin	--	1	1	1	3
Mitchell, Osirus	--	1	--	--	1

Receptions for a First Down	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Cumbest, Brad	--	1	--	--	1
Gardner, Cameron	--	--	1	5	6
Heath, Malik	--	--	--	7	7
Hill, Kylin	1	6	6	7	20
Johnson, Dillon	--	--	--	2	2
Jones, Dontea	--	3	3	--	6
Marks, Jo'quavious	--	--	--	6	6
Mitchell, Osirus	3	13	21	10	47
Peyton, JaVonta	--	--	6	8	14
Spivey, Geor'quarius	--	--	2	--	2
Walley, Jaden	--	--	--	7	7
Williams, Austin	--	5	5	8	18
Witherspoon, Lee	--	--	1	2	3

100-Yards Receiving	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Hill, Kylin	--	--	--	1	1
Mitchell, Osirus	--	1	--	1	2
Payton, JaVonta	--	--	--	1	1

Games with a Receiving TD	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Heath, Malik	--	--	--	1	1
Hill, Kylin	--	4	1	1	6
Jones, Dontea	--	1	--	--	1
Mitchell, Osirus	--	3	6	1	10
Payton, JaVonta	--	--	--	1	1
Williams, Austin	--	2	2	1	5

Games with Multiple Receiving TDs	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Mitchell, Osirus	--	1	--	1	2
Williams, Austin	--	1	--	--	1

### RUSHING

Runs of 10+ Yards	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Hill, Kylin	14	19	40	1	74
Marks, Jo'quavious	--	--	--	3	3
Payton, JaVonta	--	--	1	--	1
Rogers, Will	--	--	--	1	1
Witherspoon, Lee	--	--	3	--	3

Runs of 20+ Yards	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Costello, K.J.	1	1	--	--	1
Hill, Kylin	1	5	12	--	19
Marks, Jo'quavious	--	--	--	1	1

Runs of 50+ Yards	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Hill, Kylin	--	1	2	--	3

Rushing First Downs	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Costello, K.J.	2	1	--	1	4
Hill, Kylin	22	37	63	3	125
Johnson, Dillon	--	--	--	3	3
Marks, Jo'quavious	--	--	--	9	9
Payton, JaVonta	--	--	1	--	1
Rogers, Will	--	--	--	1	1
Witherspoon, Lee	--	--	6	--	6

100-Yards Rushing	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Hill, Kylin	0	3	8	--	11

Games with a Rushing Touchdown	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Hill, Kylin	2	3	6	--	11
Johnson, Dillon	--	--	--	1	1
Witherspoon, Lee	--	--	1	--	1

Games with Multiple Rushing TDs	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Hill, Kylin	--	1	2	--	3

### PASSING

<sup>^</sup> includes prior school

Games with 300 yards passing	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Costello, K.J.	--	7 <sup>^</sup>	1 <sup>^</sup>	1	9 <sup>^</sup>

Games with 30+ completions	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Costello, K.J.	--	1 <sup>^</sup>	1 <sup>^</sup>	3	5 <sup>^</sup>

Completions of 20+ yards	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Costello, K.J.	24 <sup>^</sup>	57 <sup>^</sup>	11 <sup>^</sup>	17	109 <sup>^</sup>
Rogers, Will	--	--	--	1	1

Games with Multiple Passing TDs	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Costello, K.J.	4 <sup>^</sup>	7 <sup>^</sup>	1 <sup>^</sup>	1	13 <sup>^</sup>



## TURNOVERS GAINED

### MISSISSIPPI STATE (7)

TYPE	QTR	PLAYER	PLAYS/ YDS	1st DOWNS	RESULT
<b>at LSU (2)</b>					
Interception	3	Furdge of Brennan	5/56	3	TD
Interception	4	Forbes of Brennan	End of Game	--	--
<b>ARKANSAS (2)</b>					
Fumble	2	Craft by Jefferson	5/20	1	Punt
Fumble	4	Brule by Warren	4/8	--	Downs
<b>Kentucky (1)</b>					
Fumble	3	Peters by Rose	5/17	1	Interception
<b>TEXAS A&amp;M (1)</b>					
Interception	3	Forbes of Mond	--	--	TD
<b>at Alabama (1)</b>					
Fumble	4	Wheat by Young	2/13	1	Interception

### OPPONENT (19)

TYPE	QTR	PLAYER	PLAYS/ YDS	1st DOWNS	RESULT
<b>at LSU (4)</b>					
Fumble	2	Stevens by TEAM	3/(-2)	--	Punt
Interception	2	Cox of Costello	--	--	TD
Interception	4	Ricks of Costello	3/45	1	TD
Fumble	4	Stevens by Costello	4/1	--	FG
<b>at LSU (4)</b>					
Interception	1	Brooks Jr. of Costello	--/--	--	TD
Interception	2	Foucha of Costello	4/3	1	Punt
Interception	4	Foucha of Costello	3/(-4)	--	Punt
Fumble	4	Edwards by Walley	6/(-13)	1	Punt
<b>Kentucky (6)</b>					
Interception	2	Paschal of Costello	1/2	--	TD
Interception	2	Davis of Costello	--	--	End of Half
Interception	3	Joseph of Costello	3/(-2)	--	Punt
Interception	4	Watson of Rogers	3/(-10)	--	Punt
Interception	4	Wright of Costello	--	--	TD
Interception	4	Jackson of Rogers	--	--	End of Game
<b>TEXAS A&amp;M (2)</b>					
Interception	1	Jones of Costello	6/33	2	Punt
Fumble	3	Peavy by Costello	2/8	--	TD
<b>at Alabama (3)</b>					
Interception	3	Moses of Rogers	9/99	5	TD
Fumble	4	Smith by Marks	6/41	2	Fumble
Interception	4	Surtain of Rogers	--	--	TD

## TURNOVERS BY PLAYER

### FUMBLES

(#-Lost)	at LSU	ARK	at UK	TA&M	at Ala	VAN	AUB	at UGA	at OM	MIZ
Costello, K.J.	2-2	--	--	1-1	--					
Marks, Joquavious	--	--	--	--	1-1					
Walley, Jaden	--	1-1	--	--	--					

### FORCED FUMBLES

	at LSU	ARK	at UK	TA&M	at Ala	VAN	AUB	at UGA	at OM	MIZ
Peters, Fred	--	--	1	--	DNP					
Spencer, Marquiss	--	1	--	--	--					

### FUMBLES RECOVERED

	at LSU	ARK	at UK	TA&M	at Ala	VAN	AUB	at UGA	at OM	MIZ
Brule, Aaron	--	1	--	--	--					
Craft, Londyn	--	1	--	--	--					
Peters, Fred	--	--	1	--	DNP					
Wheat, Tyrus	--	--	--	--	1					

### INTERCEPTIONS

(#-Yards)	at LSU	ARK	at UK	TA&M	at Ala	VAN	AUB	at UGA	at OM	MIZ
Forbes, Emmanuel	1	--	--	1	--					
Furdge, Esaias	1	--	--	--	--					

## LONG PLAY BREAKDOWN

### BY YARDAGE

#### OFFENSE (19)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Opponent
*75	Pass	Hill, Kylin from Costello, K.J.	at LSU
*43	Pass	Mitchell, Osirus from Costello, K.J.	at LSU
37	Pass	Shavers, Tyrell from Costello, K.J.	at LSU
34	Pass	Payton, JaVonta from Costello, K.J.	at LSU
34	Pass	Mitchell, Osirus from Costello, K.J.	ARKANSAS
34	Pass	Mitchell, Osirus from Costello, K.J.	at LSU
33	Pass	Payton, JaVonta from Costello, K.J.	at LSU
*32	Pass	Heath, Malik from Rogers, Will	TEXAS A&M
*31	Pass	Shavers, Tyrell from Costello, K.J.	at LSU
27	Pass	Mitchell, Osirus from Costello, K.J.	at LSU
27	Pass	Payton, JaVonta from Costello, K.J.	at LSU
26	Pass	Hill, Kylin from Costello, K.J.	at LSU
25	Pass	Mitchell, Osirus from Costello, K.J.	at LSU
24	Pass	Gardner, Cameron from Costello, K.J.	at LSU
*24	Pass	Mitchell, Osirus from Costello, K.J.	at LSU
23	Pass	Heath, Malik from Costello, K.J.	at Kentucky
22	Pass	Mitchell, Osirus from Costello, K.J.	at LSU
21	Pass	Hill, Kylin from Costello, K.J.	at LSU
20	Rush	Marks, Jo'quavious	at Alabama

#### DEFENSE (2)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Opponent
*60	INT	Forbes, Emmanuel	TEXAS A&M
20	INT	Furdge, Esaias	at LSU

#### SPECIAL TEAMS (4)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Opponent
26	KR	Payton, JaVonta	ARKANSAS
23	KR	Payton, JaVonta	ARKANSAS
22	KR	Payton, JaVonta	at Alabama
20	PR	Walley, Jaden	ARKANSAS

\* - touchdown scored on play

# LONG PLAY BREAKDOWN

## LONG PLAYS BY THE NUMBERS

### BY YARDAGE

Yards	No.	TD
100+	--	--
90-99	--	--
80-89	--	--
70-79	1	1
60-69	1	1
50-59	--	--
40-49	1	1
30-39	7	2
20-29	15	1

### BY TYPE

Type	No.	TD
Rushing	1	--
Passing	18	5
Punt returns	1	--
Kick returns	3	--
Interceptions	2	1
Fumble returns	--	--
Other	--	--
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>6</b>

## 20+ YARD PLAYS BY PLAYER

Player	No.	TD	Rush	Rec.	KR	PR	IR	FR
Mitchell, Osirus	7	2	--	7	--	--	--	--
Payton, JaVonta	6	--	--	3	3	--	--	--
Hill, Kylin	3	1	--	3	--	--	--	--
Heath, Malik	2	1	--	2	--	--	--	--
Shavers, Tyrell	2	1	--	2	--	--	--	--
Forbes, Emmanuel	1	1	--	--	--	--	1	--
Furdge, Esaias	1	--	--	--	--	--	1	--
Gardner, Cameron	1	--	--	1	--	--	--	--
Marks, Joquavious	1	--	1	--	--	--	--	--
Walley, Jaden	1	--	--	--	--	1	--	--
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>--</b>

## LONGEST PLAYS OF THE YEAR

<b>Rushing</b>			
20	Marks, Jo'quavious		at Alabama (10/31)
<b>Rushing Touchdown</b>			
6	Johnson, Dillon		ARKANSAS (10/3)
<b>Passing</b>			
75*	Hill, Kylin from Costello, K.J.		at LSU (9/26)
<b>Passing Touchdown</b>			
75*	Hill, Kylin from Costello, K.J.		at LSU (9/26)
<b>Punt Return</b>			
20	Walley, Jaden		ARKANSAS (10/3)
<b>Kick Return</b>			
26	Payton, JaVonta		ARKANSAS (10/3)
<b>Interception Return</b>			
60	Forbes, Emmanuel		TEXAS A&M (10/17)
<b>Fumble Return</b>			
13	Wheat, Tyrus		at Alabama (10/31)
<b>Punt</b>			
66	Day, Tucker		at Kentucky (10/10)
<b>Field Goal</b>			
43	Ruiz, Brandon		at LSU (9/26)

## MISSISSIPPI STATE (25 PLAYS)

Play	#	Long	Play	Opponent
Passing	18	75*	Mitchell, Osirus from Costello, K.J.	at LSU
Rushing	1	20	Marks, Jo'quavious	at Alabama
Kick Return	3	26	Payton, JaVonta	ARKANSAS
Punt Return	1	20	Walley, Jaden	ARKANSAS
Interception	2	60*	Forbes, Emmanuel	TEXAS A&M
Opp.	#	Long	Play	Type
at LSU	16	75*	Mitchell, Osirus from Costello, K.J.	Pass
ARKANSAS	4	34	Mitchell, Osirus from Costello, K.J.	Pass
at Kentucky	1	23	Heath, Malik from Costello, K.J.	Pass
TEXAS A&M	2	60*	Forbes, Emmanuel	Interception
at Alabama	2	22	Payton, JaVonta	Kick Return
VANDERBILT				
AUBURN				
at Georgia				
at Ole Miss				
MISSOURI				

## OPPONENTS (21 PLAYS)

Play	#	Long	Play	Opponent
Passing	12	53*	Smith, DeVonta from Jones, Max	at Alabama
Rushing	4	51	Wilson, Terry	at Kentucky
Punt Return	1	22	Smith, Ainias	TEXAS A&M
Interception	4	76	Paschal, Joshua	at Kentucky
Opp.	#	Long	Play	Type
at LSU	5	47	Jenkins, Jaray from Brennan, Myles	Pass
ARKANSAS	4	69*	Brooks Jr., Greg	Interception
at Kentucky	2	76	Paschal, Joshua	Interception
TEXAS A&M	3	51*	Lane, Chase from Mond, Kellen	Pass
at Alabama	7	53*	Smith, DeVonta from Jones, Max	Pass
VANDERBILT				
AUBURN				
at Georgia				
at Ole Miss				
MISSOURI				

\* - touchdown scored on play

## SEASON SUPERLATIVES

### MISSISSIPPI STATE INDIVIDUAL

Rushes	10	Marks, Jo'quavious; ARKANSAS (10/3)
Yards Rushing	39	Johnson, Dillon; ARKANSAS (10/3)
TD Rushes	1	Johnson, Dillon; ARKANSAS (10/3)
Long Rush	20	Marks, Jo'quavious; at Alabama (10/31)
Pass Attempts	60^	Costello, K.J.; at LSU (9/26)
Pass Completions	43^	Costello, K.J.; ARKANSAS (10/3)
Yards Passing	623^	Costello, K.J.; at LSU (9/26)
TD Passes	5*	Costello, K.J.; at LSU (9/26)
Long Pass	75	Costello, K.J.; at LSU (9/26)
Receptions	15*	Hill, Kylin; at Kentucky (10/10)
Yards Receiving	183	Mitchell, Osirus; at LSU (9/26)
TD Receptions	2	Mitchell, Osirus; at LSU (9/26)
Long Reception	75	Hill, Kylin; at LSU (9/26)
Field Goals	3	Ruiz, Brandon; at LSU (9/26)
Long Field Goal	43	Ruiz, Brandon; at LSU (9/26)
Punts	5	Three Times: Last Day, Tucker & Bowman; at Alabama (10/31)
Punting Avg	59.6 ^	Day, Tucker; at Kentucky (10/10)
Long Punt	66	Day, Tucker; at Kentucky (10/10)
Punts Inside 20	2	Twice: Last Bowman, Reed; at Alabama (10/31)
Long Punt Return	20	Walley, Jaden; ARKANSAS (10/3)
Long Kickoff Return	26	Payton, JaVonta; ARKANSAS (10/3)
Tackles	13	Thompson, Erroll; ARKANSAS (10/3)
Sacks	2.0	Spencer, Marquiss; at LSU (9/26)
Tackles For Loss	2.5	Spencer, Marquiss; at Kentucky (10/10)
Interceptions	1	Three Times: Last Forbes, Emmanuel; TEXAS A&M (10/17)

### OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL

Rushes	21	Harris, Najee; at Alaba.a (10/31)
Yards Rushing	119	Harris, Najee; Alabama (10/31)
TD Rushes	2	Spiller, Isaiah; TEXAS A&M (10/17)
Long Rush	51	Wilson, Terry; at Kentucky (10/10)
Pass Attempts	46	Brennan, Myles; at LSU (9/26)
Pass Completions	27	Brennan, Myles; at LSU (9/26)
Yards Passing	345	Brennan, Myles; at LSU (9/26)
TD Passes	4	Jones, Mac; at Alabama (10/31)
Long Pass	53	Jones, Mac; at Alabama (10/31)
Receptions	11	Smith, DeVonta; at Alabama (10/31)
Yards Receiving	203	Smith, DeVonta; at Alabama (10/31)
TD Receptions	4	Smith, DeVonta; at Alabama (10/31)
Long Reception	53	Smith, DeVonta; at Alabama (10/31)
Field Goals	2	Twice: Last Reichard, Will; at Alabama (10/31)
Long Field Goal	40	Twice: Last Reichard, Will; at Alabama (10/31)
Punts	8	Duffy, Max; at Kentucky (10/10)
Punting Avg	49.4	Von Rosenberg, Zach; at LSU (9/26)
Long Punt	58	Von Rosenberg, Zach; at LSU (9/26)
Punts Inside 20	5	Von Rosenberg, Zach; at LSU (9/26)
Long Punt Return	22	Smith, Ainnas; TEXAS A&M (10/17)
Long Kickoff Return	17	Sanders, Trey; at Alabama (10/31)
Tackles	20	Pool, Bumper; ARKANSAS (10/3)
Sacks	2.0	Stevens, JaCoby; at LSU (9/26)
Tackles For Loss	2.0	Four Times: Last Anderson, Jr., Will; at Alabama (10/31)
Interceptions	2	Foucha, Joe; ARKANSAS (10/3)

^ - School record | \* - Ties school record

### MISSISSIPPI STATE TEAM

	Highs	Lows
Yards Rushing	87, ARKANSAS (10/3)	minus-2, TEXAS A&M (10/17)
Yards Per Rush	3.6, ARKANSAS (10/3)	minus-0.1, TEXAS A&M (10/17)
TD Rushes	1, ARKANSAS (10/3)	0, Four Times: Last at Alabama (10/31)
Pass Attempts	70, at Kentucky (10/10)	40, TEXAS A&M (10/17)
Pass Completions	45, at Kentucky (10/10)	28, at Alabama (10/31)
Yards Passing	623, at LSU (9/26)	163, at Alabama (10/31)
Yards Per Pass Attempt	10.4, at LSU (9/26)	3.4, at Alabama (10/31)
TD Passes	5, at LSU (9/26)	0, Twice: Last at Alabama (10/31)
Total Plays	84, Twice: Last at Kentucky (10/10)	60, TEXAS A&M (10/17)
Total Offense	632, at LSU (9/26)	200, at Alabama (10/31)
Yards Per Play	8.3, at LSU (9/26)	3.2, at Alabama (10/31)
Points	44, at LSU (9/26)	0, at Alabama (10/31)
Sacks By	7.0, at LSU (9/26)	0.0, TEXAS A&M (10/17)
First Downs	24, Twice; Last: ARKANSAS (10/3)	12, at Alabama (10/31)
Penalties	9, at Alabama (10/31)	3, TEXAS A&M (10/17)
Penalty Yards	85, at Alabama (10/31)	25, Twice: Last TEXAS A&M (10/17)
Turnovers	6, at Kentucky (10/10)	2, TEXAS A&M (10/17)
Interceptions By	2, at LSU (9/26)	0, Three Times: Last at Alabama (10/31)
Punts	10, at Alabama (10/31)	3, at LSU (9/26)
Punting Avg	48.5, at Kentucky (10/10)	38.8, at Alabama (10/31)
Long Punt	66, at Kentucky (10/10)	51; ARKANSAS (10/3)
Punts Inside 20	3, at Kentucky (10/10)	0, TEXAS A&M (10/17)
Long Punt Return	26, ARKANSAS (10/3)	0, at LSU (9/26)

### OPPONENT TEAM

	Highs	Lows
Yards Rushing	208, at Alabama (10/31)	63, ARKANSAS (10/3)
Yards Per Rush	5.5, TEXAS A&M (10/17)	1.7, ARKANSAS (10/3)
TD Rushes	2, TEXAS A&M (10/17)	0, Three Times; Last: at Alabama (10/31)
Pass Attempts	46, at LSU (9/26)	21, at Kentucky (10/10)
Pass Completions	27, at LSU (9/26)	8, at Kentucky (10/10)
Yards Passing	345, at LSU (9/26)	73, at Kentucky (10/10)
Yards Per Pass Attempt	9.1, at Kentucky (10/10)	7.5, at LSU (9/26)
TD Passes	4, at Alabama (10/31)	1, at Kentucky (10/10)
Total Plays	84, at LSU (9/26)	53, at Kentucky (10/10)
Total Offense	499, at Alabama (10/31)	157, at Kentucky (10/10)
Yards Per Play	6.8, at Alabama (10/31)	3.0, at Kentucky (10/10)
Points	41, at Alabama (10/31)	21, ARKANSAS (10/3)
Sacks By	6.0, TEXAS A&M (10/17)	1.0, ARKANSAS (10/3)
First Downs	26, at Alabama (10/31)	17, TEXAS A&M (10/17)
Penalties	10, at Alabama (10/31)	3, at Kentucky (10/10)
Penalty Yards	71, at Alabama (10/31)	25, at Kentucky (10/10)
Turnovers	2, Twice; Last: ARKANSAS (10/3)	1, Three Times: Last at Alabama (10/31)
Interceptions By	6, at Kentucky (10/10)	2, Twice: Last at Alabama (10/31)
Punts	8, Twice: Last at Kentucky (10/10)	4, at Alabama (10/31)
Punting Avg	49.4, at LSU (9/26)	38.0, at Alabama (10/31)
Long Punt	58, at LSU (9/26)	46, at Alabama (10/31)
Punts Inside 20	5, at LSU (9/26)	1, at Alabama (10/31)
Long Punt Return	22, TEXAS A&M (10/17)	0, Three Times; Last: at Kentucky (10/10)



# STARTERS

## OFFENSE

OPPONENT	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	QB	RB	WR (H)	WR (X)	WR (Y)	WR (Z)
at LSU	Cross	Eiland	Smith	Parker	Johnson, K.	Costello	Hill	Marks*	Heath	Williams	Shavers
ARKANSAS	Cross	Sharp	Smith	Parker	Johnson, K.	Costello	Hill	Payton	Gardner	Walley	Mitchell
at Kentucky	Cross	Eiland	Jackson	Parker	Johnson, K.	Costello	Hill	Payton	Gardner	Williams	Mitchell
TEXAS A&M	Cross	Sharp	Jackson	Parker	Eiland	Costello	Marks	Payton	Heath	Williams	Mitchell
at Alabama	Cross	Sharp	Smith	Parker	Jones, Ka.	Costello	Marks	Cumbest	Heath	Williams	Walley
VANDERBILT											
AUBURN											
at Georgia											
at Ole Miss											
MISSOURI											

\* - Started two runnings backs

## DEFENSE

OPPONENT	DE	NT	DT	SLB	MLB	WLB	CB	FS	Bulldog	SS	CB
at LSU	Jones, Ko.	Crumedy	Spencer	Wheat	Thompson	Brule	Emerson	Peters	Murphy	Craft	Furdge
ARKANSAS	Jones, Ko.	Crumedy	Spencer	Wheat	Thompson	Brule	Emerson	Peters	Murphy	Craft	Furdge
at Kentucky	Jones, Ko.	Crumedy	Spencer	Wheat	Thompson	Brule	Emerson	Peters	Murphy	Craft	Forbes
TEXAS A&M	Jones, Ko.	Crumedy	Spencer	Wheat	Thompson	Brule	Emerson	Peters	Murphy	Craft	Forbes
at Alabama	Jones, Ko.	Crumedy	Spencer	Wheat	Thompson	Brule	Emerson	Duncan	Murphy	Craft	Forbes
VANDERBILT											
AUBURN											
at Georgia											
at Ole Miss											
MISSOURI											

## CAREER STARTS

Player	Total	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	QB	RB	WR	DE	DT	NT	LB	CB	S	Bulldog
Thompson, Erroll	50	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	50	--	--	--
Costello, K.J.	30^	--	--	--	--	--	30^	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Eiland, Greg	28	17	2	--	--	9	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Hill, Kylin	27	--	--	--	--	--	--	27	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mitchell, Osirus	27	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	27	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Morgan, C.J.	21	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	21	--	--
Spencer, Marquiss	18	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	13	5	--	--	--	--	--
Parker, Dareuan	15	--	10	--	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Crumedy, Jaden	12	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	7	5	--	--	--	--	--
Emerson, Martin	10	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	10	--	--	--
Williams, Austin	9	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	9	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Murphy, Marcus	8	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3	--	5
Jones, Kobe	6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	1	--	--	--	--	--
Brule, Aaron	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	--	--	--
Craft, Londyn	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	--
Cross, Charles	5	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Payton, JaVonta	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Wheat, Tyrus	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	--	--	--
Williams, Tyler	5	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5	--	--	--
Peters, Fred	4	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	4	--
Forbes, Emmanuel	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3	--	--
Gardner, Cameron	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Heath, Malik	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Johnson, Kwatrivous	3	--	--	--	--	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Marks, Jo'quavious	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Sharp, LaQuinston	3	--	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Smith, Cole	3	--	--	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Furdge, Esaias	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	--	--
Jackson, James	2	--	--	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Spivey, Geor'quarius	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2*	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Walley, Jaden	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Cumbest, Brad	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Duncan, Collin	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	--
Jones, Kameron	1	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Pickering, Nathan	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--
Preston Jr., Shawn	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	--

\* - Two (2) starts came at tight end in 2019 | ^ - 25 starts came at QB for Stanford

## PARTICIPATION CHART

	GP/GS	at LSU	ARK	at UK	TA&M	at Ala	VAN	AUB	at UGA	at OM	MIZ
Blackwell, Paul	5/0	P	P	P	P	P					
Bowman, Reed	5/0	P	P	P	P	P					
Brule, Aaron	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST					
Costello, K.J.	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST					
Craft, Londyn	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST					
Cross, Charles	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST					
Crumedy, Jaden	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST					
Cumbest, Brad	3/1	--	--	P	P	P	ST				
Cunningham, Brandon	5/0	P	P	P	P	P					
Davis, Jordan	5/0	P	P	P	P	P					
Day, Tucker	5/0	P	P	P	P	P					
Duncan, Collin	4/1	P	P	--	P	P	ST				
Eiland, Greg	4/3	ST	--	ST	ST	P					
Emerson, Martin	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST					
Forbes, Emmanuel	5/3	P	P	ST	ST	ST					
Furdge, Esaias	5/2	ST	ST	P	P	P					
Gardner, Cameron	4/2	P	ST	ST	--	P					
Griffin, Lideatrick	3/0	P	P	--	--	P					
Groce Jr., Rodney	1/0	P	--	--	--	--					
Guidry, Landon	2/0	--	--	P	--	P					
Harris, Jack	5/0	P	P	P	P	P					
Heath, Malik	5/3	ST	P	P	ST	ST					
Hill, Kytin	3/3	ST	ST	ST	--	--					
Jackson, James	5/2	P	P	ST	ST	P					
Jennings, R.J.	5/0	P	P	P	P	P					
Johnson, Dillon	5/0	P	P	P	P	P					
Johnson, Jett	1/0	P	--	--	--	--					
Johnson, Kwatirivous	4/3	ST	ST	ST	P	P	--				
Jones, Kameron	1/1	--	--	--	--	ST					
Jones, Kobe	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST					
Lawrence, Dylan	1/0	P	--	--	--	--					
Lawson, Tre	3/0	P	--	P	P	--					
Marks, Jo'quavious	5/3	ST	P	P	ST	ST					
Mitchell, Osirus	5/3	P	ST	ST	ST	P					

	GP/GS	at LSU	ARK	at UK	TA&M	at Ala	VAN	AUB	at UGA	at OM	MIZ
Murphy, Marcus	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST					
Odom, Aaron	5/0	P	P	P	P	P					
Parker, Dareuan	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST					
Payton, JaVonta	5/3	P	ST	ST	ST	P					
Pendley, Nick	4/0	P	P	P	P	--					
Peters, Fred	4/4	ST	ST	ST	ST	--					
Pickering, Nathan	5/0	P	P	P	P	P					
Preston Jr., Shawn	4/0	P	P	--	P	P					
Richardson, Decamerion	3/0	--	P	P	--	P					
Rogers, Will	3/0	--	--	P	P	P					
Ruiz, Brandon	5/0	P	P	P	P	P					
Sharp, LaQuinston	5/3	P	ST	P	ST	ST					
Shavers, Tyrell	4/1	ST	P	P	P	--					
Shrader, Garret	4/0	P	P	P	P	--					
Smith, Cole	4/3	ST	ST	--	P	ST					
Spencer, Marquiss	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST					
Spivey, Geor'quarius	5/0	P	P	P	P	P					
Thompson, Erroll	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST					
Timbs, Sherman	5/0	P	P	P	P	P					
Walker, Kareem	2/0	--	--	P	P	--					
Walley, Jaden	5/2	P	ST	P	P	ST					
Watson, Nathaniel	5/0	P	P	P	P	P					
Wheat, Tyrus	5/5	ST	ST	ST	ST	ST					
Williams, Austin	5/4	ST	P	ST	ST	ST					
Witherspoon, Lee	5/0	P	P	P	P	P					
Young, Cameron	2/0	P	--	--	--	P					

## CAREER PARTICIPATION

Games/Starts	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Anderson, Somon	--	2/0	2/0	--	4/0
Banks, Jay	--	1/0^	--	--	1/0^
Blackwell, Paul	--	--	13/0	5/0	18/0
Bowman, Reed	--	12/0^	1/0	5/0	18/0^
Brule, Aaron	--	4/0	13/0	5/5	22/5
Charles, Korey	3/0	7/0	7/0	--	17/0
Christmann, Jace	13/0	13/0	12/0	--	38/0
Conner, Aadreekis	--	--	9/0	--	9/0
Costello, K.J.	11/7^	13/13^	5/5^	5/5	34/30^
Craft, Londyn	--	2/0	6/0	5/5	13/5
Cross, Charles	--	--	3/0	5/5	8/5
Crumedy, Jaden	--	2/0	12/7	5/5	19/12
Cumbest, Brad	--	3/0	11/0	3/1	17/1
Cunningham, Brandon	--	--	--	5/0	5/0
Davis, Jordan	--	--	--	5/0	5/0
Day, Tucker	2/0	13/0	13/0	5/0	33/0
Duncan, Collin	--	--	11/0	4/1	15/1
Eiland, Greg	13/4	13/13	11/8	4/3	41/28
Emerson, Martin	--	--	13/5	5/5	18/10
Forbes, Emmanuel	--	--	--	5/3	5/3
Furdge, Esaias	--	2/0	--	5/2	7/2
Gardner, Cameron	--	3/0	13/1	3/1	20/3
Goodman, Scott	--	13/0	12/0	--	25/0
Griffin, Lideatrick	--	--	--	3/0	3/0
Groce Jr., Rodney	--	--	--	1/0	1/0
Guidry, Landon	--	8/0	12/0	2/0	22/0
Harris, Jack	--	--	1/0	5/0	6/0
Heath, Malik	--	--	--	5/3	5/3

Games/Starts	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Hill, Kytin	13/0	11/11	13/13	3/3	40/27
Jackson, James	--	4/0	8/0	5/2	17/2
Jennings, R.J.	--	9/0	5/0	5/0	19/0
Johnson, Dillon	--	--	--	5/0	5/0
Johnson, Jett	--	2/0	--	1/0	3/0
Johnson, Kwatirivous	--	2/0	2/0	4/3	8/3
Jones, Dontea	4/0	12/0	12/0	--	28/0
Jones, Kameron	--	--	--	1/1	1/1
Jones, Kobe	13/0	13/1	13/1	5/5	44/7
Lashley, Scott	3/0^	8/0^	8/0^	--	19/0^
Lawrence, Dylan	--	--	1/0	1/0	2/0
Lawson, Tre	--	--	--	3/0	3/0
Love, Allen	--	4/0^	--	--	4/0^
Marks, Jo'quavious	--	--	--	5/3	5/3
Mitchell, Osirus	9/0	13/13	13/11	5/3	40/27
Morgan, C.J.	10/0	13/3	9/9	--	32/12
Murphy, Marcus	--	12/0	5/3	5/5	22/8
Odom, Aaron	--	2/0	3/0	5/0	10/0
Parker, Dareuan	12/0	13/0	11/11	5/5	41/16
Payton, JaVonta	--	--	12/2	5/3	17/5
Pendley, Nick	--	--	2/0	4/0	6/0
Peters, Fred	--	--	13/0	4/4	17/4
Pickering, Nathan	--	--	9/1	5/0	14/1
Preston Jr., Shawn	--	1/0	7/1	4/0	12/1
Purvis, J.P.	--	--	4/0	--	4/0
Reed, Jaylon	--	3/0	--	--	3/0
Richardson, Decamerion	--	--	--	3/0	3/0
Robinson, Devon	--	1/0	--	--	1/0

Games/Starts	'17	'18	'19	'20	Career
Rogers, Will	--	--	--	3/0	3/0
Ruiz, Brandon	13/0^	13/0^	--	5/0	31/0^
Russell, De'Monte	--	--	3/0	--	3/0
Sharp, LaQuinston	--	--	9/5	5/3	14/8
Shavers, Tyrell	--	15/0^	13/0^	4/1	32/1
Shrader, Garrett	--	--	10/4	4/0	14/4
Smith, Cole	--	--	--	4/3	4/3
Spencer, Marquiss	13/0	4/1	13/13	5/5	47/19*
Spivey, Geor'quarius	--	3/0	13/2	5/0	21/2
Thompson, Erroll	13/3	13/13	13/13	5/5	44/34
Timbs, Sherman	--	1/0	12/0	5/0	18/0
Walker, Kareem	5/0^	--	--	2/0	7/0^
Walley, Jaden	--	--	--	5/2	5/2
Walters, Allen	--	--	3/0^	--	3/0^
Warren, Powers	--	5/0	1/0	--	6/0
Watson, Nathaniel	--	2/0	7/0	5/0	14/0
Wheat, Tyrus	--	--	--	5/5	5/5
Williams, Austin	--	13/5	13/0	5/4	31/9
Williams, Tyler	--	9/0	10/5	--	19/5
Witherspoon, Lee	--	--	10/0	5/0	15/0
Young, Cameron	--	1/0	8/0	2/0	11/0

\* - Includes 12 appearances in 2016 | ^ includes prior school

# 2020 RESULTS & STATISTICS

Date	MSU Rank	Opponent (Rank)	Score	Attendance	SEC	Overall
Sept. 26	--	at LSU * (6/5)	W, 44-34	21,124	1-0	1-0
Oct. 3	16/14	Arkansas *	L, 14-21	13,564	1-1	1-1
Oct. 10	RV/RV	at Kentucky * (-/RV)	L, 2-24	12,000	1-2	1-2
Oct. 17	RV/RV	Texas A&M * (11/11)	L, 14-28	13,142	1-3	1-3
Oct. 31	--	at Alabama * (2/2)	L, 0-41	19,424	1-4	1-4
Nov. 7		Vanderbilt *				
Nov. 14		Auburn *				
Nov. 21		at Georgia *				
Nov. 28		at Ole Miss *				
Dec. 5		Missouri *				

\* - Southeastern Conference game; Rankings - AP/Coaches.

TEAM STATISTICS	Mississippi State	Opponent
SCORING	74	148
Points Per Game	14.8	29.6
Points Off Turnovers	14	59
FIRST DOWNS	93	95
Rushing	17	45
Passing	72	45
Penalty	4	5
RUSHING YARDAGE	151	621
Yards Gained Rushing	285	798
Yards Lost Rushing	134	177
Rushing Attempts	89	181
Average Per Rush	1.7	3.4
Average Per Game	30.2	124.2
TDs Rushing	1	3
PASSING YARDAGE	1,593	1,060
Comp-Att-Int	182-278-14	92-151-3
Average Per Pass	5.7	7.0
Average Per Catch	8.8	11.5
Average Per Game	318.6	212.0
TDs Passing	7	12
TOTAL OFFENSE	1,744	1,681
Total Plays	367	332
Average Per Play	4.8	5.1
Average Per Game	348.8	336.2
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS	7-132	2-33
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS	8-64	10-78
INT RETURNS: #-YARDS	3-80	14-224
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	18.9	16.5
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	8.0	7.8
INT RETURN AVERAGE	26.7	16.0
FUMBLES-LOST	5-5	5-4
PENALTIES-YARDS	31-232	30-207
Average Per Game	46.4	41.4
PUNTS-YARDS	31-1,320	32-1,412
Average Per Punt	42.6	44.1
Net Punt Average	37.5	40.9
KICKOFFS-YARDS	17-1,105	30-1,897
Average Per Kick	65.0	63.2
Net Kick Average	41.0	41.3
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME	31:53	28:07
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	26/80	24/69
3rd-Down Pct	32%	35%
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	8/12	1/5
4th-Down Pct	67%	20%
SACKS BY-YARDS	13-84	16-118
MISC YARDS	--	--
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	9	19
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	3-4	5-5
ON-SIDE KICKS	--	--
RED-ZONE SCORES	(6-12) 50%	(14-17) 82%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(3-12) 25%	(10-17) 59%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(9-9) 100%	(19-19) 100%
ATTENDANCE	26,706/13,353	52,548/17,516
Neutral Site Games	--	--

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	Total	Average
Mississippi State	10	14	26	24	74	14.8
Opponents	24	59	31	34	148	29.6

PASSING	G	Rating	C-A-I	Pct.	Yards	TD	LP	Avg./G
Costello, K.J.	5	116.70	134-207-10	64.7	1,283	6	75	256.6
Rogers, Will	3	99.06	48-70-4	68.6	310	1	32	103.3
TEAM	4	--	0-1-0	--	--	--	--	--
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>111.84</b>	<b>182-278-14</b>	<b>65.5</b>	<b>1,593</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>318.6</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>142.15</b>	<b>92-151-3</b>	<b>60.9</b>	<b>1,060</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>212.0</b>

### Statistician's Note

Passing rating formula:  $[(8.4 \times \text{yards}) + (330 \times \text{touchdowns}) - (200 \times \text{interceptions}) + (100 \times \text{completions})] / \text{attempts}$ .

RUSHING	G	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg./Att.	TD	LG	Avg./G
Marks, Jo'quavious	5	31	132	11	121	3.9	--	20	24.2
Hill, Kylin	3	15	58	--	58	3.9	--	12	19.3
Johnson, Dillon	5	13	47	--	47	3.6	1	9	9.4
Witherspoon, Lee	5	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Rogers, Will	3	3	11	14	(-3)	(-1.0)	--	11	(-1.0)
TEAM	4	2	--	7	(-7)	(-3.5)	--	--	(-1.8)
Costello, K.J.	5	24	37	102	(-65)	(-2.7)	--	7	(-13.0)
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>30.2</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>798</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>124.2</b>

RECEIVING	G	No.	Yards	Avg./Rec.	TD	LG	Avg./G
Marks, Jo'quavious	5	31	139	4.5	--	19	27.8
Hill, Kylin	3	23	237	10.3	1	75	79.0
Mitchell, Osirus	5	22	304	13.8	2	43	60.8
Williams, Austin	5	18	160	8.9	1	19	32.0
Heath, Malik	5	18	139	7.7	1	32	27.8
Payton, JaVonta	5	17	204	12.0	1	34	40.8
Johnson, Dillon	5	15	56	3.7	--	10	11.2
Walley, Jaden	5	14	128	9.1	--	19	25.6
Shavers, Tyrell	4	9	107	11.9	1	37	26.8
Gardner, Cameron	4	8	87	10.9	--	24	21.8
Witherspoon, Lee	5	4	25	6.2	--	13	5.0
Shrader, Garret	4	1	8	8.0	--	8	2.0
Cumbest, Brad	3	1	2	2.0	--	2	0.7
Johnson, Kwatrivous	4	1	(-3)	(-3.0)	--	--	(-0.8)
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>1,593</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>318.6</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>1,060</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>212.0</b>

TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Plays	Rushing	Passing	Total	Avg./G
Costello, K.J.	5	231	(-65)	1,283	1,218	243.6
Rogers, Will	3	73	(-3)	310	307	102.3
Marks, Jo'quavious	5	31	121	--	121	24.2
Hill, Kylin	3	15	58	--	58	19.3
Johnson, Dillon	5	13	47	--	47	9.4
TEAM	4	3	(-7)	--	(-7)	(-1.8)
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>1,593</b>	<b>1,744</b>	<b>348.8</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>1,060</b>	<b>1,681</b>	<b>336.2</b>

KICKOFF RETURNS	No.	Yards	Avg./Ret.	TD	LG
Payton, JaVonta	6	121	20.2	--	26
Walley, Jaden	1	11	11.0	--	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>18.9</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>16.5</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>17</b>

PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yards	Avg./Ret.	TD	LG
Williams, Austin	6	43	7.2	--	17
Walley, Jaden	2	21	10.5	--	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>22</b>

ALL-PURPOSE YARDAGE	G	Rushing	Receiving	Punt Returns	KO Returns	Int. Returns	Total	Avg./G
Payton, JaVonta	5	--	204	--	121	--	325	65.0
Mitchell, Osirus	5	--	304	--	--	--	304	60.8
Hill, Kylin	3	58	237	--	--	--	295	98.3
Marks, Jo'quavious	5	121	139	--	--	--	260	52.0
Williams, Austin	5	--	160	43	--	--	203	40.6
Walley, Jaden	5	--	128	21	11	--	160	32.0
Heath, Malik	5	--	139	--	--	--	139	27.8
Shavers, Tyrell	4	--	107	--	--	--	107	26.8
Johnson, Dillon	5	47	56	--	--	--	103	20.6
Gardner, Cameron	4	--	87	--	--	--	87	21.8
Forbes, Emmanuel	5	--	--	--	--	60	60	12.0
Witherspoon, Lee	5	--	25	--	--	--	25	5.0
Furdge, Esaias	5	--	--	--	--	20	20	4.0
Shrader, Garret	4	--	8	--	--	--	8	2.0
Cumbest, Brad	3	--	2	--	--	--	2	0.7
Johnson, Kwatrivous	4	--	(-3)	--	--	--	(-3)	(-0.8)
Rogers, Will	3	(-3)	--	--	--	--	(-3)	(-1.0)
TEAM	5	(-7)	--	--	--	--	(-7)	(-1.8)
Costello, K.J.	5	(-65)	--	--	--	--	(-65)	(-13.0)
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>1,593</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>2,020</b>	<b>404.0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>621</b>	<b>1,060</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>2,016</b>	<b>403.2</b>

SCORING	TD	FG	Points After Touchdown				DXP	Saf	Points
			Kick	Rush	Rec.	Pass			
Ruiz, Brandon	--	3-4	9-9	--	--	--	--	18	
Mitchell, Osirus	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	12	
Johnson, Dillon	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	6	
Williams, Austin	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	6	
Heath, Malik	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	6	
Payton, JaVonta	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	6	
Hill, Kylin	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	6	
Forbes, Emmanuel	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	6	
Shavers, Tyrell	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	6	
TEAM	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	2	
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3-4</b>	<b>9-9</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>74</b>	
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>5-5</b>	<b>19-19</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>148</b>	

PUNTING	No.	Yards	Average	LG	TB	FC	I-20	50+	Blk.
Day, Tucker	19	876	46.1	66	3	2	2	6	--
Bowman, Reed	11	444	40.4	54	1	4	5	2	--
TEAM	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1,320</b>	<b>42.6</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>1,412</b>	<b>44.1</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>--</b>

FIELD GOALS	FG	Pct.	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	LG	Blk.
Ruiz, Brandon	3-4	75.0	--	1-1	1-1	1-1	0-1	43	--

Progression [Makes in (##)]: (35),(24),(43) | -- | 56 | -- | -- |

KICKOFFS	No.	Yards	Average	TB	OB
Ruiz, Brandon	17	1,105	65.0	15	--
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1,105</b>	<b>65.0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>--</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1,897</b>	<b>63.2</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>--</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yards	Average	TD	LG
Forbes, Emmanuel	2	60	30.0	1	60
Furdge, Esaias	1	20	20.0	--	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>26.7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>16.0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>76</b>

FUMBLE RETURNS	No.	Yards	Average	TD	LG
Wheat, Tyrus	1	13	13.0	--	13
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>19.0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>19</b>

DEFENSE	G-GS	Solo	Assist	Total	TFL-Yards	Sacks-Yards	Int.-Yards	PBU	QBH	FR-Yards	FF	Blk	Safety
Thompson, Erroll	5-5	17	33	50	1.5-6	1.0-6	--	--	2	--	--	--	--
Brule, Aaron	5-5	14	15	29	3.5-17	2.0-13	--	1	4	1-0	--	--	--
Emerson, Martin	5-5	13	14	27	1.0-1	--	--	2	--	--	--	--	--
Preston Jr., Shawn	4-0	12	14	26	1.5-2	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--
Murphy, Marcus	5-5	10	14	24	1.0-6	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--
Craft, Londyn	5-5	9	12	21	--	--	--	--	--	1-0	--	--	--
Peters, Fred	4-4	10	10	20	--	--	--	1	--	1-0	1	--	--
Spencer, Marquiss	5-5	10	10	20	5.5-22	2.5-15	--	--	1	--	1	--	--
Davis, Jordan	5-0	3	14	17	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--
Pickering, Nathan	5-0	2	14	16	2.0-10	2.0-10	--	--	1	--	--	--	--
Jones, Kobe	5-5	3	10	13	2.0-17	2.0-17	--	--	1	--	--	--	--
Duncan, Collin	4-1	7	6	13	0.5-1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Forbes, Emmanuel	5-3	7	6	13	--	--	2-60	3	1	--	--	--	--
Wheat, Tyrus	5-5	5	7	12	2.5-17	2.5-17	--	1	--	1-13	--	--	--
Furdge, Esaias	5-2	8	3	11	--	--	1-20	--	--	--	--	--	--
Crumedy, Jaden	5-5	4	7	11	1.0-6	1.0-6	--	1	1	--	--	--	--
Odom, Aaron	5-0	3	6	9	2.0-3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Watson, Nathaniel	5-0	3	5	8	0.5-1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Harris, Jack	5-0	3	4	7	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Payton, JaVonta	5-3	3	--	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Lawrence, Dylan	1-0	--	3	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Timbs, Sherman	5-0	1	1	2	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Jackson, James	5-2	1	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Guidry, Landon	2-0	--	1	1	0.5-1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Lawson, Tre	3-0	--	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Witherspoon, Lee	5-0	--	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Johnson, Jett	1-0	--	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Shavers, Tyrell	4-1	1	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Walley, Jaden	5-2	1	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Marks, Jo'quavius	5-3	1	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Hill, Kylin	3-3	1	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Day, Tucker	5-0	--	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Young, Cameron	2-0	--	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
TEAM	4-0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>5-0</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>25.0-110</b>	<b>13-84</b>	<b>3-80</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4-13</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>5-0</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>29.0-154</b>	<b>16-118</b>	<b>14-224</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>5-19</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>--</b>





**PAUL BLACKWELL** 43  
 Long Snapper | 5-10 | 205  
 Senior (1L)  
 Pascagoula, Miss./Resurrection Catholic  
 Major: Business Administration (Graduate)

» CAREER NOTES & RECORDS

**Career:** Walk-on long snapper ... Owns undergraduate degree in chemical engineering ... Handled all long snapping duties in 2019 and 2020 ... Two-time member of the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll (2018-19).

» 2020

**Awards:** Named to Patrick Mannelly Award preseason watch list for the overall best long snapper in the FBS.

**Season:** Started five games at long snapper.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)

at LSU 0-0-0; ARKANSAS 0-0-0; at Kentucky 0-0-0; TEXAS A&M 0-0-0; at Alabama 0-0-0.

» BLACKWELL'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2018	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2019	3-0	3	-	1	-	-	-	-
2020	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>3-0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

**Tackles** ..... 1; Three Times: Last Ole Miss, 11/28/19  
**Fumble Recoveries** ..... 1; Kansas State, 9/14/19



**REED BOWMAN** 97  
 Punter | 6-0 | 200  
 Senior (SQ)  
 Magnolia, Texas/Texas Tech  
 Major: Marketing

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in five games ... One of 20 student-athletes to make their Mississippi State debut in 2020 ... Served as the holder on all placements.

**at LSU (9/26):** Lone punt traveled 39 yards and pinned the Tigers inside their own 20-yard line. **Arkansas (10/3):** Punted three times for 138 yards (46.0 ypp) ... Boomed a long punt of 51 yards ... Pinned one punt inside the 20-yard line. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Landed his lone punt inside the 20-yard line. **Texas A&M (10/17):** Hit one punt for 38 yards. **at Alabama (10/31):** Punted a career-high five times for a career-high 196 yards ... One punt traveled a career-best 54 yards ... Downed two punts inside the 20 yard line.

» BOWMAN'S CAREER PUNTING STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	Punts	Yards	Avg.	I-20	FC	50+	LG	BLK
2018*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2019	2	82	41.0	1	-	1	51	-
2020	11	444	40.4	5	4	2	54	-
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>40.5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>-</b>

\* - at Texas Tech

**Punts** ..... 5; at Alabama, 10/31/20  
**Punt Yards** ..... 196; at Alabama, 10/31/20  
**Punt Average** ..... 46.0; Arkansas, 10/3/20  
**Longest Punt** ..... 54; at Alabama, 10/31/20  
**50+ Yard Punt** ..... 1; Three Times: Last at Alabama, 10/3/20  
**Punts Downed Inside the 20** ..... 2; at Alabama, 10/31/20



**AARON BRULE** 3  
 Linebacker | 6-1 | 230  
 Sophomore (1L)  
 New Orleans, La./Archbishop Rummel  
 Major: Psychology

» 2020

**Season:** Started five games ... One of 17 Bulldogs to make their first career start in 2020.

**Rankings:** Tied for No. 24 nationally and No. 2 in the SEC in fumbles recovered (1).

**at LSU (9/26):** Made his first career start ... Notched a career-best 10 tackles, six of which were unassisted ... Recorded a solo sack late in the fourth quarter. **Arkansas (10/3):** Finished with five tackles ... Added one sack ... Recovered a fourth-quarter fumble ... Graded as the top pass rusher for State (79.8) and was second on the team for tackling grade (80.4), according to PFF. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Posted five stops ... Logged a career-high 1.5 tackles for loss ... Part of a defense that allowed only 157 yards of total offense, the fewest yielded by the Bulldogs in an SEC contest since 2008 against Vanderbilt (107 yards). **Texas A&M (10/17):** Recorded four tackles and one pass break up ... PFF graded him as the team's No. 2 defender in coverage (75.8). **at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled five tackles.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)

at LSU 6-4-10; ARKANSAS 2-3-5; at Kentucky 3-2-5; TEXAS A&M 1-3-4; at Alabama 2-3-5.

» BRULE'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2018	0-1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
2019	2-9	11	-	1	-	-	1.0-3	1.5-4
2020	14-15	29	-	1	-	1	2.0-13	3.5-17
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>16-25</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3.0-16</b>	<b>5.0-21</b>

**Tackles** ..... 6; at LSU, 9/26/20  
**Tackles for Loss** ..... 1.5; at Kentucky, 10/10/20  
**Sacks** ..... 1.0; Three Times: Last Arkansas, 10/3/20  
**Pass Breakups** ..... 1; Texas A&M, 10/17/20  
**Fumbles Recovered** ..... 1; Twice: Last Arkansas, 10/3/20

**NOTE:** Owns one career punt return (vs. Iowa, 2018).



**K.J. COSTELLO** 3  
 Quarterback | 6-5 | 225  
 Senior (GTR)  
 Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif./Stanford  
 Major: Business Administration (Grad)

» CAREER NOTES & RECORDS

**Career:** Graduate transfer from Stanford where he started 25 games at quarterback ... Made 30 career starts at quarterback ... Owns his degree in political science from Stanford ... Missed all but eight games in 2019 due to injury ... Owns 10 300-yard passing games in his career (7 in 2018; 1 in 2019; 2 in 2020) ... Has thrown four-or-more touchdown passes on six occasions (1 in 2017; 4 in 2018; 1 in 2020) ... Responsible for 58 career touchdowns (55 pass, 3 rush) ... Left Stanford among the top 10 all-time in passing efficiency (No. 3; 143.8), completions percentage (No. 5; .626), touchdown passes (No. 6; 49), passing completions (No. 8; 495), total offense (No. 8 tied; 6,247 yards), passing yards (No. 9; 6,151), passing attempts (No. 10; 791).

**NCAA Active Leaders:** Is No. 8 in passing yards per attempt (7.45) ... Ranks No. 9 among active quarterbacks in passing yards (7,434) and completions (629) ... Sits No. 11 in completion percentage (63.0%) ... Is No. 12 in the FBS in touchdown passes (55) and total offense (7,465) ... Ranks No. 17 in the FBS in touchdowns responsible for (58) ... Sits No. 31 among active quarterbacks in career passing efficiency (138.17).

» 2020

**Awards:** Tabbed SEC Offensive Player of the Week along with Maxwell and Walter Camp FBS National Offensive Player of the Week after throwing for a school-record 623 yards and five touchdowns at LSU (9/26) ... Also garnered Davey O'Brien and Manning Award National Quarterback of the Week, along with receiving a helmet sticker from ESPN's College Football Final ... Preseason candidate for the Maxwell Award, which is presented annually to the most outstanding player in college football ... Named to the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award preseason watch list.

**Season:** Started five games ... One of 20 student-athletes to make their Mississippi State debut in 2020 ... Set the Mississippi State and SEC single-game record for yards passing at LSU with 623 yards, previously held by Dak Prescott (508; Arkansas, 2015) and Georgia's Eric Zeier (544; Southern Miss, 1993), respectively ... The 623 yards passing at LSU rank No. 11 in NCAA single-game history ... Is the first SEC quarterback to throw for 600 yards in a game ... Set the school standard for passing attempts (60) at LSU, besting Joe Reed (52; LSU, 1970) ... Surpassed Prescott (33; Arkansas, 2015) for most completions in a single game against Arkansas (43) ... Second quarterback in program history with back-to-back games of 30+ completions, joining Prescott (38 - at Arkansas, 2015; 31 - Ole Miss, 2015) ... Completed a school-record 12 straight passes against Arkansas, besting the 11 straight completions by Garrett Shrader (Kentucky, 2019) and Dave Marler (vs. Tennessee, 1978).

**Rankings:** Ranks No. 5 in the FBS and No. 1 in the SEC in the FBS in completions per game (26.8) ... Is No. 24 nationally and No. 4 in the SEC in passing yards per game (256.6) ... Sits No. 24 in the NCAA and No. 5 in the SEC in passing yards (1,283) ... Ranks No. 33 in the FBS and No. 8 in the SEC in completion percentage (64.7%) ... Is No. 42 nationally and No. 7 in the SEC in total offense per game (243.6) ... Sits tied for No. 56 in the NCAA and No. 9 in the SEC in passing touchdowns (6) ... Ranks No. 75 in the FBS and No. 11 in the SEC in yards per pass attempt (6.20) ... Is No. 77 nationally and No. 13 in the SEC in passing efficiency (116.7).

**at LSU (9/26):** Broke the SEC and MSU record for passing yards in a game with 623 yards, completing 36-of-60 passes with five touchdowns ... His 623 yards passing rank 11th in NCAA history ... The previous MSU record for passing yards in a game was 508 yards by Dak Prescott versus Arkansas in 2015 ... The previous SEC record was 544 yards by Georgia's Eric Zeier versus Southern Miss in 1993 ... Also set MSU record with 60 passing attempts (52; Reed, 1970) ... Five touchdown passes tied the MSU school record (Last: Thompson, 2018) ... Completed 15 passes that were 20 yards or longer ... Was 7-of-11 passing on third downs, throwing for 194 yards and three touchdowns ... Found Kylin Hill for a 75-yard touchdown pass to answer LSU's touchdown in the third quarter and give MSU a 27-24 lead ... Connected with Osirus Mitchell in the end zone twice, including a 24-yard strike with 3:39 left in the game that made the score 44-34. **Arkansas (10/3):** Threw for 313 yards and one touchdown on 43-of-59 passing ... Surpassed Dak Prescott (38; at Arkansas, 2015) for completions in a game (43) ... Second quarterback in program history with 30 completions in consecutive games, joining Prescott (38 - at Arkansas, 2015; 31 - Ole Miss, 2015) ... Connected with JaVonta Payton for a 17-yard touchdown in the first quarter, capping a 75-yard drive. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Finished 36-of-55 passing for 232 yards ... Became the fastest MSU passer to reach 1,000 to start a season (three games) ... Combined with Will Rogers to throw 70 passing attempts, setting the SEC and MSU single-game records ... The previous MSU was 60 attempts, which occurred in each of the first two games of the 2020 season, while the SEC record was 69 by LSU against Auburn in 1999 ... The duo combined for an MSU record 45 completions, a mark that ranks third in SEC history. **Texas A&M (10/17):** Threw for 99 yards on 15-of-22 passing. **at Alabama (10/31):** Went 4-of-11 passing for 16 yards ... Played just three plays in the second quarter and didn't play the third and fourth quarters.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Passing (Comp.-Att.-Yds.-TD-INT)

at LSU 36-60-623-5-2; ARKANSAS 43-59-313-1-3; at Kentucky 36-55-232-0-4; TEXAS A&M 15-22-99-0-1; at Alabama 4-11-16-0-0.

» COSTELLO'S CAREER PASSING STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	C-A	Yds.	%	TD-INT	YPG	LG
2017*	124-211	1,573	58.8	14-4	143.0	50
2018*	269-413	3,540	65.1	29-11	272.3	80
2019*	102-167	1,038	61.1	6-3	207.6	79
2020	134-207	1,283	64.7	6-10	256.6	75
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>629-998</b>	<b>7,434</b>	<b>63.0</b>	<b>55-28</b>	<b>218.6</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>MSU</b>	<b>134-207</b>	<b>1,283</b>	<b>64.7</b>	<b>6-10</b>	<b>256.6</b>	<b>75</b>

\* - at Stanford

**Pass Completions** ..... 43; Arkansas, 10/3/20  
**Pass Attempts** ..... 60; at LSU, 9/26/20  
**Passing Yards** ..... 623; at LSU, 9/26/20  
**Passing Touchdowns** ..... 5; Twice: Last at LSU, 9/26/20  
**Long Pass** ..... 80 yards; vs. San Diego State, 8/31/18\*

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

**Rushing (Carries-Yards-TD)**

at LSU 5-(-38)-0; ARKANSAS 4-4-0; at Kentucky 4-(-4)-0; TEXAS A&M 9-(-27)-0; at Alabama 2-4-0.

» COSTELLO'S CAREER OFFENSIVE STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	Att.-Yds.	YPC	TD	LG	Rec.-Yds.	YPC	TD	LG
2017*	28-92	3.3	3	25	-	-	-	-
2018*	42-(-20)	(-0.5)	-	45	-	-	-	-
2019*	18-24	1.3	-	14	1-(-12)	(-12.0)	-	-
2020	24-(-65)	(-2.7)	-	7	-	-	-	-
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>112-31</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>1-(-12)</b>	<b>(-12.0)</b>	-	-
<b>MSU</b>	<b>24-(-65)</b>	<b>(-2.7)</b>	-	<b>7</b>	-	-	-	-

\* - at Stanford

**Rush Attempts** ..... 9; Texas A&M, 10/17/20  
**Rush Yards** ..... 45; Oregon State, 11/10/18\*  
**Rushing Touchdowns** ..... 1; Three Times: Last at Washington State, 11/14/17\*  
**Long Rush** ..... 45 yards; Oregon State, 11/10/18\*

**Receptions** ..... 1; Arizona, 10/26/19\*  
**Receiving Yards** ..... minus-12; Arizona, 10/26/19\*  
**Long Reception** ..... minus-12 yards; Arizona, 10/26/19\*

**Total Offense Yards** ..... 585; at LSU, 9/26/20  
**All-Purpose Yards** ..... 45; Oregon State, 11/10/18\*



LONDYN CRAFT

28

Safety | 6-0 | 200  
 Junior (SO)  
 Rio Rancho, N.M./IMG Academy  
 Major: Human Development & Family Science

» 2020

**Season:** Started five games ... One of 17 Bulldogs to make their first career start in 2020.

**Rankings:** Tied for No. 24 nationally and No. 2 in the SEC in fumbles recovered (1).  
**at LSU (9/26):** Made his first career start ... Record four tackles.  
**Arkansas (10/3):** Picked up his first career fumble recovery in the second quarter, preventing the Razorbacks from scoring at the goal line ... Added two tackles ... Finished with the highest rushing defense grade (75.5) on the team, according to PFF. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Made five tackles ... Part of a defense that allowed only 157 yards of total offense, the fewest yielded by the Bulldogs in an SEC contest since 2008 against Vanderbilt (107 yards). **Texas A&M (10/17):** Recorded a career-best six tackles. **at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled four tackles.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

**Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)**

at LSU 1-3-4; ARKANSAS 2-0-2; at Kentucky 3-2-5; TEXAS A&M 1-5-6; at Alabama 2-2-4.

» CRAFT'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2018	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2019	0-1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
2020	9-12	21	-	1	-	-	-	-
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>9-13</b>	<b>22</b>	-	<b>1</b>	-	-	-	-

**Tackles** ..... 5; at Kentucky, 10/10/20  
**Fumble Recoveries** ..... 1; Arkansas, 10/3/20



CHARLES CROSS

67

Offensive Line | 6-5 | 290  
 Freshman (RS)  
 Laurel, Miss./Laurel  
 Major: Business Administration

» CAREER NOTES & RECORDS

**Career:** Five-star offensive tackle and No. 1 prospect in Mississippi as a senior.

» 2020

**Season:** Started five games ... One of 17 Bulldogs to make their first career start in 2020.

**at LSU (9/26):** Made his first career start at left tackle, playing every offensive snap ... Helped protect K.J. Costello as he passed for an SEC and MSU record 623 yards and five touchdowns. **Arkansas (10/3):** Played every offensive snap at left tackle ... Helped State record 400 yards of offense ... Graded as MSU's top offensive lineman (70.1) and pass blocker (80.6), according to PFF. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Helped protect K.J. Costello and Will Rogers as the duo combined to attempt an SEC and MSU-record 70 passes ... Led the team in run blocking grade (74.1), according to PFF. **at Alabama (10/31):** Earned the highest offensive grade (71.8) on the team from PFF ... Graded as the No. 2 pass blocker (88.5), which tied for No. 7 in the FBS for the week.



JADEN CRUMEDY

94

Defensive Tackle | 6-5 | 300  
 Sophomore (1L)  
 Hattiesburg, Miss./Oak Grove  
 Major: Industrial Tech

» 2020

**Season:** Started five games.

**at LSU (9/26):** Logged two tackles ... Recorded one sack for a six-yard loss to force the Tigers into a third-and-long situation with less than 3:30 left in the game. **Arkansas (10/3):** Tallied three stops. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Posted one tackle ... Part of a defense that allowed only 157 yards of total offense, the fewest yielded by the Bulldogs in an SEC contest since 2008 against Vanderbilt (107 yards). **Texas A&M:** Logged three stops. **at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled two tackles.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

**Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)**

at LSU 1-1-2; ARKANSAS 0-3-3; at Kentucky 1-0-1; TEXAS A&M 0-3-3; at Alabama 2-0-2.

» CRUMEDY'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2019	8-10	18	-	-	-	-	1.0-6	2.0-7
2020	4-7	11	-	-	-	1	1.0-6	1.0-6
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>12-17</b>	<b>29</b>	-	-	-	<b>1</b>	<b>2.0-12</b>	<b>3.0-13</b>

**Tackles** ..... 4; Alabama, 11/17/19  
**Tackles for Loss** ..... 1.0; Three Times: Last at LSU, 9/26/20  
**Sacks** ..... 1.0; Twice: Last at LSU, 9/26/20  
**Pass Breakups** ..... 1; at LSU, 9/26/20



BRAD CUMBEST

25

Wide Receiver | 6-5 | 245  
 Sophomore (1L)  
 Hurley, Miss./East Central  
 Major: Psychology

» CAREER NOTES & RECORDS

**Career:** Also a member of the Mississippi State baseball program.

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in three games with one start ... One of 17 Bulldogs to make their first career start in 2020.

**at Alabama (10/31):** Made first career start... Recorded one catch for two yards.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

**Receiving (Receptions-Yards-TD)**

at LSU DNP; ARKANSAS DNP; at Kentucky 0-0-0; TEXAS A&M 0-0-0; at Alabama 1-2-0.

» CUMBEST'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	Att.-Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.-Yds.	YPC	TD	LG
2018	-	-	-	-	1-21	21.0	-	21
2019	-	-	-	-	2-16	8.0	-	8
2020	-	-	-	-	1-2	2.0	-	2
<b>CAREER</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>4-39</b>	<b>9.8</b>	-	<b>21</b>

**Receptions** ..... 2; at Arkansas, 11/2/19  
**Receiving Yards** ..... 21; Louisiana, 9/15/18  
**Longest Reception** ..... 21 yards; Louisiana, 9/15/18



BRANDON CUNNINGHAM

72

Offensive Line | 6-4 | 300  
 Freshman (RS)  
 St. Martin, Miss./St. Martin  
 Major: Marketing

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in five games ... One of 20 student-athletes to make their Mississippi State debut in 2020 ... Has seen time on special teams.

**at LSU (9/26):** Made collegiate debut. **at Alabama (10/31):** Saw action at right guard.



JORDAN DAVIS

6

Linebacker | 6-4 | 260  
 Junior (JC)  
 Memphis, Tenn./Copiah-Lincoln [MS] CC  
 Major: Communication

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in five games ... One of 20 student-athletes to make their Mississippi State debut in 2020.

**at LSU (9/26):** Recorded six tackles and one pass break up in his MSU debut ... Forced the third-quarter interception with pressure of Myles Brennan, which eventually led to MSU's fourth touchdown of the game. **Arkansas (10/3):** Finished with two stops. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Tallied one tackle ... Part of a defense that allowed only 157 yards of total offense, the fewest yielded by the Bulldogs in an SEC contest since 2008 against Vanderbilt (107 yards). **Texas A&M (10/17):** Recorded five tackles. **at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled three stops.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

**Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)**

at LSU 2-4-6; ARKANSAS 0-2-2; at Kentucky 0-1-1; TEXAS A&M 0-5-5; at Alabama 1-2-3.

» DAVIS' CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2020	3-14	17	-	-	-	1	-	-
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>3-14</b>	<b>17</b>	-	-	-	<b>1</b>	-	-

**Tackles** ..... 6; at LSU, 9/26/20  
**Pass Breakups** ..... 1; at LSU, 9/26/20



**TUCKER DAY** 37  
 Punter | 6-0 | 210  
 Junior (2L)  
 Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood  
 Major: Political Science

» **CAREER NOTES & RECORDS**

**Career:** Versatile and experienced specialist ... Earned his year of eligibility back after an injury in 2017 ... Team's primary punter the past two season ... Longest punt of career is 70 yards, which he has recorded twice ... Pinned 29 punts inside the 20-yard line and nine inside the 10-yard line... Owns 20 punts of 50-plus yards.

**NCAA Active Leaders:** Sits No. 25 nationally in punting average (41.9) ... Ranks No. 37 in the FBS in total punting yards (4,901).

» **2020**

**Season:** Appeared in five games ... Set the MSU single game record for punting average at Kentucky (59.6 ypp), which surpassed Andy Russ (51.4; at Kentucky, 1996).

**Rankings:** Is No. 7 nationally and No. 2 in the SEC in punting average (46.1).

**at LSU (9/26):** Averaged 47.5 yards on two punts ... Recorded a 58-yard punt in the first quarter. **Arkansas (10/3):** Punted twice for a 37.5 average. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Recorded five punts for 298 yards ... Averaged a program single game record 59.6 yards per punt ... Hit four 60-plus yard punts, with two downed inside the 20-yard line ... His four punts of 50-plus yards marked a career best ... Downed a third quarter punt at the UK 2-yard line. **Texas A&M (10/17):** Punted five times for 216 yards ... Long punt traveled 54 yards ... Had one tackle. **at Alabama (10/31):** Punted five times for 192 yards.

» **DAY'S CAREER PUNTING STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS**

	Punts	Yards	Avg.	I-20	FC	50+	LG	BLK
2017	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2018	47	1,851	39.4	13	19	4	70	-
2019	51	2,174	42.6	13	10	11	70	-
2020	19	876	46.1	2	2	6	66	-
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>4,901</b>	<b>41.9</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>-</b>

**Punt Attempts** ..... 8; at Alabama, 11/10/18  
**Punt Yards** ..... 298; at Kentucky, 10/10/20  
**Punt Average** ..... 59.6; at Kentucky, 10/10/20  
**Long Punt** ..... 70; Twice: Last LSU, 10/19/19  
**50+ Yard Punts** ..... 4; at Kentucky, 10/10/20  
**Punts Downed Inside the 20** ..... 3; Twice: Last Southern Miss, 9/7/19  
**Punts Downed Inside the 10** ..... 2; Twice: Last Southern Miss, 9/7/19

**NOTE:** Is 2-of-4 on field goal attempts ... Long field goal is 40 yards (Charleston Southern; 2017) ... Owns eight career PATs ... Has 19 career kickoffs for an average of 59.0 yards per kickoff ... Rushed once for four yards (Ole Miss; 2019) ... Has two career tackles (1 in 2018, 1 in 2020).



**COLLIN DUNCAN** 19  
 Safety | 6-0 | 205  
 Sophomore (SQ)  
 Montgomery, Ala./St. James School  
 Major: Kinesiology

» **2020**

**Season:** Appeared in four games with one start ... One of 17 Bulldogs to make their first career start in 2020.

**at LSU (9/26):** Recorded one tackle. **Texas A&M (10/17):** Posted five stops ... Recorded his first career tackle for loss, a combined stop with Erroll Thompson. **at Alabama (10/31):** Earned his first career start ... Totaled a career-best seven tackles.

» **2020 GAME-BY-GAME**

**Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)**

at LSU 1-0-1; ARKANSAS 0-0-0; at Kentucky DNP; TEXAS A&M 1-4-5; at Alabama 5-2-7.

» **DUNCAN'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS**

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2019	1-0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
2020	7-6	13	-	-	-	-	-	0.5-1
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>8-6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.5-1</b>

**Tackles** ..... 7; at Alabama, 10/31/20  
**Tackles for Loss** ..... 0.5; Texas A&M, 10/17/20



**GREG EILAND** 55  
 Offensive Line | 6-8 | 335  
 Senior (3L)  
 Philadelphia, Miss./Philadelphia  
 Major: Industrial Tech

» **2020**

**Season:** Appeared in four games with three starts.

**at LSU (9/26):** Started at left guard, playing 69 snaps at the position ... Helped protect K.J. Costello as he passed for an SEC and MSU record 623 yards and five touchdowns. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Earned the start at left guard ... Also saw action at right tackle ... Helped protect K.J. Costello and Will Rogers as the duo combined to attempt an SEC and MSU-record 70 passes.



**MARTIN EMERSON** 1  
 Cornerback | 6-2 | 195  
 Sophomore (1L)  
 Pensacola, Fla./Pine Forest  
 Major: Undeclared

» **2020**

**Season:** Started five games.

**at LSU (9/26):** Finished with four tackles. **Arkansas (10/3):** Recorded eight stops with one tackle for loss ... Graded as State's top defender (74.8) and best in coverage (73.0) according to PFF ... Allowed just 18 yards on four targets. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Posted one tackle and one pass breakup ... Part of a defense that allowed only 157 yards of total offense, the fewest yielded by the Bulldogs in an SEC contest since 2008 against Vanderbilt (107 yards). **Texas A&M (10/17):** Logged a career-high nine tackles, including four solo stops ... Broke up one pass ... Graded as State's top tackler (83.0), according to PFF. **at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled five stops.

» **2020 GAME-BY-GAME**

**Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)**

at LSU 1-3-4; ARKANSAS 5-3-8; at Kentucky 1-0-1; TEXAS A&M 4-5-9; at Alabama 2-3-5.

» **EMERSON'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS**

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2019	17-15	32	1	-	1	2	-	1.5-1
2020	13-14	27	-	-	-	2	-	1.0-1
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>30-29</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2.5-2</b>

**Tackles** ..... 9; Texas A&M, 10/17/20  
**Tackles for Loss** ..... 1.0; Twice: Last Arkansas, 10/3/20  
**Pass Breakups** ..... 1; Four Times: Last Texas A&M, 10/17/20  
**Interceptions** ..... 1; Southern Miss, 9/7/19  
**Fumbles Forced** ..... 1; at Arkansas, 11/2/19



**EMMANUEL FORBES** 13  
 Cornerback | 6-0 | 160  
 Freshman (HS)  
 Grenada, Miss./Grenada  
 Major: Undeclared

» **CAREER NOTES & RECORDS**

**NCAA Active Leaders:** Ranks tied for No. 11 in the FBS in interceptions return touchdowns ... Sits tied for No. 25 nationally in defensive touchdowns (1).

» **2020**

**Awards:** Named to the Football Writers' Association of America's Freshman All-America watch list.

**Season:** Appeared in five games with three starts ... One of eight MSU true freshmen to debut in 2020 ... One of 17 Bulldogs to make their first career start in 2020 ... One of 20 student-athletes to make their Mississippi State debut in 2020.

**Rankings:** Ranks tied for No. 20 nationally and No. 5 in the SEC in interceptions (2) ... One of five true freshmen nationally with multiple interceptions on the season.

**at LSU (9/26):** Made his collegiate debut ... Played 49 total snaps ... Intercepted Myles Brennan in the end zone as time expired for his first career interception ... Had one tackle ... Earned the third-highest coverage grade on the team for the game, according to PFF ... Didn't allow a catch on three targets. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Earned his first career start ... Posted two tackles and two pass break ups ... Part of a defense that allowed only 157 yards of total offense, the fewest yielded by the Bulldogs in an SEC contest since 2008 against Vanderbilt (107 yards) ... Allowed just one reception on four targets, according to PFF. **Texas A&M (10/17):** Grabbed his second career interception and returned it 60 yards for his first career touchdown ... Marked the longest interception return by a Bulldog since Jamal Peters in 2017 (90 yards; Texas A&M) ... Added four tackles ... Graded as the team's top rush defender (72.8), according to PFF. **at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled a career-high six tackles and added one pass breakup.

» **2020 GAME-BY-GAME**

**Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)**

at LSU 0-1-1; ARKANSAS 0-0-0; at Kentucky 1-1-2; TEXAS A&M 1-3-4; at Alabama 5-1-6.

» **FORBES' CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS**

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2020	7-6	13	-	-	2	3	-	-
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>7-6</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

**Tackles** ..... 6; at Alabama, 10/31/20  
**Interceptions** ..... 1; Twice: Texas A&M, 10/17/20  
**Pass Breakups** ..... 2; at Kentucky, 10/10/20



**ESAIAS FURDGE** 27  
 Cornerback | 6-0 | 185  
 Sophomore (SQ)  
 Clarksdale, Miss./Clarksdale  
 Major: Industrial Technology

» **2020**

**Season:** Appeared in five games with two starts ... One of 17 Bulldogs to make their first career start in 2020.

**Rankings:** Ranks tied for No. 79 nationally and No. 16 in the SEC in interceptions (1).

**at LSU (9/26):** Made his first career start ... Posted a career-best six tackles ... Grabbed his first career interception, which he returned 20 yards to set up a third-quarter touchdown drive that made the score 34-24 with 14:14 left in the game. **Arkansas (10/3):** Recorded five tackles.

» **2020 GAME-BY-GAME**

**Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)**

at LSU 5-1-6; ARKANSAS 3-2-5; at Kentucky 0-0-0; TEXAS A&M 0-0-0; at Alabama 0-0-0.

» **FURDGE'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS**

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2018	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2019	-	-	-	DNP	-	-	-	-
2020	8-3	11	-	-	1	-	-	-
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>8-3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

**Tackles** ..... 6; at LSU, 9/26/20  
**Interceptions** ..... 1; at LSU, 9/26/20





**CAMERON GARDNER** 18  
Wide Receiver | 6-4 | 220  
Sophomore (1L)  
Starkville, Miss./Starkville  
Major: Undeclared

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in four games with two starts.

**at LSU (9/26):** Caught two passes for a career-high 35 yards ... Had a career-long catch of 24 yards ... Both of his receptions went for first downs.

**Arkansas (10/3):** Earned his first start of the season ... Finished with three receptions ... Totaled 32 yards ... Two receptions were first downs.

**at Kentucky (10/10):** Totaled 20 yards on three catches ... Combined with State's receiving corp to haul in an MSU-record 45 completions.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Receiving (Receptions-Yards-TD)*

at LSU 2-35-0; ARKANSAS 3-32-0; at Kentucky 3-20-0; TEXAS A&M DNP; at Alabama 0-0-0.

» GARDNER'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	Att.-Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.-Yds.	YPC	TD	LG
2018	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2019	-	-	-	-	1-7	7.0	-	7
2020	-	-	-	-	8-87	10.9	-	24
<b>CAREER</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>9-94</b>	<b>10.4</b>	-	<b>24</b>

**Receptions** ..... 3; Arkansas, 10/3/20  
**Receiving Yards** ..... 35; at LSU, 9/26/20  
**Longest Reception** ..... 24; at LSU, 9/26/20



**LIDEATRICK GRIFFIN** 81  
Wide Receiver | 5-10 | 175  
Freshman (HS)  
Philadelphia, Miss./Philadelphia  
Major: Undeclared

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in three games ... One of eight MSU true freshmen to debut in 2020 ... One of 20 student-athletes to make their Mississippi State debut in 2020.

**at LSU (9/26):** Made his collegiate debut.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Receiving (Receptions-Yards-TD)*

at LSU 0-0-0; ARKANSAS 0-0-0; at Kentucky DNP; TEXAS A&M DNP; at Alabama 0-0-0.



**RODNEY GROCE JR.** 54  
Linebacker | 6-2 | 245  
Freshman (HS)  
Pleasant Grove, Ala./Pleasant Grove  
Major: Undeclared

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in one game ... One of eight MSU true freshmen to debut in 2020 ... One of 20 student-athletes to make their Mississippi State debut in 2020.

**at LSU (9/26):** Made his collegiate debut.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)*

at LSU 0-0-0; ARKANSAS DNP; at Kentucky DNP; TEXAS A&M DNP; at Alabama 0-0-0.



**LONDON GUIDRY** 35  
Safety | 6-0 | 195  
Junior (2L)  
Spring Hill, Tenn./Independence  
Major: Psychology

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in two games.

**at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled one tackle ... Recorded 0.5 tackles for loss, his first career stop behind the line.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)*

at LSU DNP; ARKANSAS DNP; at Kentucky 0-0-0; TEXAS A&M DNP; at Alabama 0-1-1.

» GUIDRY'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2018	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2019	1-5	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
2020	0-1	1	-	-	-	-	-	0.5-1
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>1-6</b>	<b>7</b>	-	-	-	-	-	<b>0.5-1</b>

**Tackles** ..... 2; Twice: Last vs. Louisville, 12/30/19  
**Tackles for Loss** ..... 0.5; at Alabama, 10/31/20



**JACK HARRIS** 15  
Defensive End | 6-3 | 250  
Freshman (RS)  
Sumrall, Miss./Oak Grove  
Major: Undeclared

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in five games.

**at LSU (9/26):** Recorded a two tackles. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Posted two stops ... Part of a defense that allowed only 157 yards of total offense, the fewest yielded by the Bulldogs in an SEC contest since 2008 against Vanderbilt (107 yards). **at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled a career-high three tackles.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)*

at LSU 0-2-2; ARKANSAS 0-0-0; at Kentucky 1-1-2; TEXAS A&M 0-0-0; at Alabama 2-1-3.

» HARRIS' CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2019	0-1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
2020	3-4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>3-5</b>	<b>8</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-

**Tackles** ..... 3; at Alabama, 10/31/20



**MALIK HEATH** 4  
Wide Receiver | 6-3 | 215  
Junior (JC)  
Jackson, Miss./Copiah-Lincoln [MS] CC  
Major: Kinesiology

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in five games with three starts ... One of 17 Bulldogs to make their first career start in 2020 ... One of 20 student-athletes to make their Mississippi State debut in 2020.

**at LSU (9/26):** Earned his first career start ... Finished with one catch for one yard. **Arkansas (10/3):** Recorded five catches for 27 yards. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Caught a career-high six passes, including a career-long 23-yard reception ... Totaled a career-best 52 yards ... Combined with State's receiving corp to haul in an MSU-record 45 completions. **Texas A&M (10/17):** Recorded five catches for 57 yards ... Caught first career touchdown on a career-long 32-yard pass from Will Rogers. **at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled one catch for two yards.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Receiving (Receptions-Yards-TD)*

at LSU 1-1-0; ARKANSAS 5-27-0; at Kentucky 6-52-0; TEXAS A&M 5-57-1; at Alabama 1-2-0.

» HEATH'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	Att.-Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.-Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2020	-	-	-	-	18-139	7.7	1	32
<b>CAREER</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>18-139</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>32</b>

**Receptions** ..... 6; at Kentucky, 10/10/20  
**Receiving Yards** ..... 57; Texas A&M, 10/17/20  
**Receiving Touchdowns** ..... 1; Texas A&M, 10/17/20  
**Longest Reception** ..... 32 yards; Texas A&M, 10/17/20



**JAMES JACKSON** 71  
Offensive Line | 6-3 | 330  
Junior (2L)  
Pascagoula, Miss./Pascagoula  
Major: Industrial Tech

» CAREER NOTES & RECORDS

**Career:** Has played both offensive and defensive line during his career.

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in five games with two starts ... One of 17 Bulldogs to make their first career start in 2020.

**at Kentucky (10/10):** Made first career start at center, playing every offensive snap ... Helped protect K.J. Costello and Will Rogers as the duo combined to attempt an SEC and MSU-record 70 passes. **Texas A&M (10/17):** Started at center ... Recorded one tackle.

**NOTE:** Owns eight career tackles.



**R.J. JENNINGS** 51  
Linebacker | 6-0 | 235  
Senior (1L)  
Birmingham, Ala./Briarwood Christian  
Major: Mechanical Engineering

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in five games.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)*

at LSU 0-0-0; ARKANSAS 0-0-0; at Kentucky 0-0-0; TEXAS A&M 0-0-0; at Alabama 0-0-0.

» JENNINGS' CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2018	0-1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
2019	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2020	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>0-1</b>	<b>1</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-

**Tackles** ..... 1; Texas A&M, 11/3/18



**DILLON JOHNSON** 23  
Running Back | 6-0 | 215  
Freshman (HS)  
Greenville, Miss./Saint Joseph  
Major: Kinesiology

» 2020  
**Season:** Appeared in five games ... One of eight MSU true freshmen to debut in 2020 ... One of 20 student-athletes to make their Mississippi State debut in 2020.

**at LSU (9/26):** Made his collegiate debut ... Had one reception for four yards. **Arkansas (10/3):** Ranked second on the team with nine catches (35 yards) and nine carries (39 yards) ... Recorded first career rushing touchdown on a 6-yard carry on fourth down in the third quarter ... Graded as the top offensive player for State (72.8), according to PFF ... Part of a freshmen trio (Jo'quavious Marks and Jaden Walley) that accounted for 217 yards of total offense, which was 54.3 percent of State's 400 yards. **Texas A&M (10/17):** Rushed three times for seven yards ... Caught two passes for four yards. **at Alabama (10/31):** Finished with one rush for one yard ... Added four receptions for 13 yards.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Rushing (Carries-Yards-TD)*

at LSU 1-4-0; ARKANSAS 9-39-1; at Kentucky 0-0-0; TEXAS A&M 3-7-0; at Alabama 1-1-0

*Receiving (Receptions-Yards-TD)*

at LSU 0-0-0; ARKANSAS 8-39-0; at Kentucky 0-0-0; TEXAS A&M 2-4-0; at Alabama 4-13-0

» D. JOHNSON'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	Att.-Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.-Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2020	13-47	3.8	1	9	15-56	3.7	-	10
CAREER	13-47	3.8	1	9	15-56	3.7	-	10

**Rush Attempts** ..... 9; Arkansas, 10/3/20  
**Rush Yards** ..... 39; Arkansas, 10/3/20  
**Rushing Touchdowns** ..... 1; Arkansas, 10/3/20  
**Long Rush** ..... 9 yards; Arkansas, 10/3/20

**Receptions** ..... 8; Arkansas, 10/3/20  
**Receiving Yards** ..... 39; Arkansas, 10/3/20  
**Longest Reception** ..... 10 yards; Arkansas, 10/3/20

**All-Purpose Yards** ..... 78; Arkansas, 10/3/20



**JETT JOHNSON** 44  
Linebacker | 6-2 | 235  
Sophomore (SQ)  
Tupelo, Miss./Tupelo  
Major: Kinesiology

» 2020  
**Season:** Appeared in one game.

**at LSU (9/26):** Posted one tackle.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)*

at LSU 0-1-1; ARKANSAS DNP; at Kentucky DNP; TEXAS A&M DNP; at Alabama DNP.

» J. JOHNSON'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2018	0-2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
2019	-	-	-	-	DNP	-	-	-
2020	0-1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
CAREER	0-3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-

**Tackles** ..... 2; Louisiana Tech, 11/3/18



**KWATRIVOUS JOHNSON** 69  
Offensive Line | 6-7 | 315  
Sophomore (SQ)  
Greenwood, Miss./Greenwood  
Major: Undeclared

» 2020  
**Season:** Appeared in four games with three starts ... One of 17 Bulldogs to make their first career start in 2020.

**LSU (9/26):** Earned first career start ... Played every offensive snap ... Helped protect K.J. Costello pass for an SEC and MSU record 623 yards ... Recorded his first career reception off a batted pass. **Arkansas(10/3):** Played every offensive snap at right tackle ... Helped State record 400 yards of offense. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Helped protect K.J. Costello and Will Rogers as the duo combined to attempt an SEC and MSU-record 70 passes.

**NOTE:** Owns one career reception (at LSU, 2020).



**KAMERON JONES** 58  
Offensive Line | 6-5 | 305  
Sophomore (SQ)  
Starkville, Miss./Starkville  
Major: Undeclared

» 2020  
**Season:** Started one game ... One of 17 Bulldogs to make their first career start in 2020 ... One of 20 student-athletes to make their Mississippi State debut in 2020.

**at Alabama (10/31):** Made first career start in collegiate debut.



**KOBE JONES** 52  
Defensive End | 6-4 | 260  
Senior (2L)  
Starkville, Miss./Starkville  
Major: Business Administration

» CAREER NOTES & RECORDS

**Career:** Owns his undergraduate degree in business administration ... Has seen the field in 43 games on special teams and defense ... Two-time member of the SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll (2017, 19) ... Tied for the lead among active MSU defensive linemen in career tackles for loss (20.0) with Marquiss Spencer.

**NCAA Active Leaders:** Sits tied for No. 79 in the FBS in tackles for loss (20.0).

» 2020  
**Awards:** Preseason candidate for the Wuerffel Trophy, known as college football's premier award for community service ... Tabbed preseason third-team All-SEC by the coaches.

**Season:** Started five games.

**at LSU (9/26):** Recorded three tackles and half a sack ... Logged four quarterback hurries, according to PFF ... Part of a defense that recorded 7.0 sacks, its most since 2015 (7.0; Ole Miss). **Arkansas (10/3):** Totaled three tackles and 0.5 sack ... Marked his fifth straight game with at least 0.5 sacks. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Posted two tackles ... Part of a defense that allowed only 157 yards of total offense, the fewest yielded by the Bulldogs in an SEC contest since 2008 against Vanderbilt (107 yards) ... Graded as the team's top pass rusher (66.8), according to PFF. **Texas A&M (10/17):** Recorded one tackle. **at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled four tackles ... Posted a solo takedown of Mac Jones in the third quarter for his sack.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)*

at LSU 0-3-3; ARKANSAS 0-3-3; at Kentucky 0-2-2; TEXAS A&M 0-1-1; at Alabama 3-1-4.

» K. JONES' CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2017	8-10	18	1	-	-	-	1.0-9	4.5-15
2018	12-10	22	-	1	-	-	-	6.5-14
2019	14-16	30	-	-	-	-	4.0-27	7.0-32
2020	3-10	13	-	-	-	-	2.0-17	2.0-17
CAREER	37-46	83	1	1	-	-	7.0-53	20.0-78

**Tackles** ..... 6; Charleston Southern, 9/2/17  
**Tackles for Loss** ..... 3.5; vs. Louisville, 12/30/19  
**Sacks** ..... 2.0; vs. Louisville, 12/30/19  
**Fumbles Forced** ..... 1; Charleston Southern, 9/2/17  
**Fumbles Recovered** ..... 1; Auburn, 10/6/18



**DYLAN LAWRENCE** 24  
Safety | 6-4 | 195  
Freshman (RS)  
George County, Miss./George County  
Major: Undeclared

» 2020  
**Season:** Appeared in one game.

**at LSU (9/26):** Recorded a career-best three tackles.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)*

at LSU 0-3-3; ARKANSAS DNP; at Kentucky DNP; TEXAS A&M DNP; at Alabama DNP.

» LAWRENCE'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2019	1-0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
2020	0-3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
CAREER	1-3	4	-	-	-	-	-	-

**Tackles** ..... 3; at LSU, 9/26/20



**JO'QUAVIOUS MARKS** 21  
Running Back | 5-10 | 195  
Freshman (HS)  
Atlanta, Ga./Carver  
Major: Undeclared

» 2020  
**Season:** Appeared in five games with three start ... One of eight MSU true freshmen to debut in 2020 ... One of 17 Bulldogs to make their first career start in 2020 ... One of 20 student-athletes to make their Mississippi State debut in 2020 ... His 10 receptions against Arkansas (10/3) are the most by a Mississippi State freshman in a single game in program history.

**Rankings:** Is tied for No. 25 nationally and No. 6 in the SEC in receptions per game (6.2) ... Ranks No. 2 nationally among freshmen in receptions (31) ... Leads the FBS in receptions by a running back (31).

**at LSU (9/26):** Made collegiate debut ... Finished with three carries for 15 yards ... Made one reception ... First career carry went for 11 yards and a first down. **Arkansas (10/3):** Led State with 10 catches (50 yards) and 10 carries (37 yards) ... Part of a freshmen trio (Dillon Johnson and Jaden Walley) that accounted for 217 yards of offense, which was 54.3 percent of State's 400 yards. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Recorded three receptions for 13 yards ... Added two carries for 12 yards ... Combined with State's receiving corp to haul in an MSU-record 45 completions. **Texas A&M (10/17):** Finished with seven carries for 25 yards and nine catches for 40 yards ... Caught a career-long 19-yard pass in the first quarter. **at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled 32 yards on nine carries ... Added 38 yards on eight catches ... Broke a career-long run of 20 yards in the second quarter ... Recorded one tackle.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Rushing (Carries-Yards-TD)*

at LSU 3-15-0; ARKANSAS 10-37-0; at Kentucky 2-12-0; TEXAS A&M 7-25-0; at Alabama 9-41-0.

*Receiving (Receptions-Yards-TD)*

at LSU 1-(-2)-0; ARKANSAS 10-50-0; at Kentucky 3-13-0; TEXAS A&M 9-40-0; at Alabama 8-38-0.

» MARKS' CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	Att.-Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.-Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2020	31-121	3.9	-	20	31-139	6.2	-	19
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>31-121</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>31-139</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19</b>

Rush Attempts ..... 10; Arkansas, 10/3/20  
 Rush Yards ..... 41; at Alabama, 10/31/20  
 Long Rush ..... 20 yards; at Alabama, 10/31/20

Receptions ..... 10; Arkansas, 10/3/20  
 Receiving Yards ..... 50; Arkansas, 10/3/20  
 Longest Reception ..... 19 yards; Texas A&M, 10/17/20

All-Purpose Yards ..... 87; Arkansas, 10/3/20

NOTE: Has one career tackle (at Alabama, 2020).



OSIRUS MITCHELL 5

Wide Receiver | 6-5 | 210  
 Senior (3L)  
 Sarasota, Fla./Booker  
 Major: Human Development & Family Science

» CAREER NOTES & RECORDS

Career: Recorded at least one catch in 29 of his 39 career games ... Owns six career games with five-plus receptions (1 in 2020; 3 in 2019, 2 in 2018) ... Has two career 100-yard receiving games (1 in 2018; 1 in 2020).

» 2020

Season: Appeared in five games with three starts.

Rankings: Ranks No. 86 in the FBS and No. 14 in the SEC in receiving yards per game (60.8) ... Sits tied for No. 93 in the NCAA and No. 17 in the SEC in receptions per game (4.4).

at LSU (9/26): Finished with career highs in receptions (7), receiving yards (183) and touchdowns (2) ... The 183 receiving yards are tied for No. 9 in a single game in MSU history and the most in program history against LSU ... Receiving yards are the most by Bulldog since 2016 (Fred Ross; 171, Arkansas) and the most by a State player in an SEC game since 2007 (Jamayel Smith; 208, Arkansas) ... One of three receivers that eclipsed 100 yards receiving on the day (Kylin Hill [158] and JaVonta Payton [122]), marking only the second time in program history a trio of Bulldogs achieved the feat ... Six catches were for first downs ... Went for 15+ yards on six of his receptions and 25+ yards on four ... On third downs, caught all three of his targets for first downs, including two touchdowns ... Gave MSU the lead going into halftime with a 43-yard touchdown grab from K.J. Costello ... Hauled in a 24-yard touchdown from Costello with 3:39 left in the game that made the score 44-34 ... Finished with a team-best 81.6 offensive grade, according to PFF. **Arkansas (10/3)**: Recorded five catches for a team-high 61 yards ... Two of his receptions were first downs. **at Kentucky (10/10)**: Caught two passes for three yards ... Combined with State's receiving corp to haul in an MSU-record 45 completions. **Texas A&M (10/17)**: Finished with six catches for 40 yards. **at Alabama (10/31)**: Totaled two receptions for 17 yards.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Receiving (Receptions-Yards-TD)

at LSU 7-183-2; ARKANSAS 5-61-0; at Kentucky 2-3-0; TEXAS A&M 6-40-0; at Alabama 2-17-0.

» MITCHELL'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	Att.-Yds.	YPC	TD	LG	Rec.-Yds.	YPC	TD	LG
2017	-	-	-	-	5-51	10.2	-	18
2018	-	-	-	-	26-427	16.4	4	84
2019	-	-	-	-	29-430	14.8	6	35
2020	-	-	-	-	22-304	13.8	2	43
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>82-1,212</b>	<b>14.8</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>84</b>

Receptions ..... 7; at LSU, 9/26/20  
 Receiving Yards ..... 183; at LSU, 9/26/20  
 Receiving Touchdowns ..... 2; Twice: Last at LSU, 9/26/20  
 Longest Reception ..... 84 yards; Stephen F. Austin, 9/1/18

NOTE: Has one career tackle.



MARCUS MURPHY 7

Safety | 6-1 | 200  
 Junior (2L)  
 West Point, Miss./West Point  
 Major: Undeclared

» CAREER NOTES & RECORDS

NCAA Active Leaders: Ranks tied for No. 11 in the FBS in interceptions return touchdowns ... Sits tied for No. 25 nationally in defensive touchdowns (1).

» 2020

Season: Started five games.

at LSU (9/26): Recorded five tackles ... Finished with the highest tackling grade (81.2) on the team, according to PFF. **Arkansas (10/3)**: Posted five tackles. **at Kentucky (10/10)**: Notched six tackles and one pass break up ... Part of a defense that allowed only 157 yards of total offense, the fewest yielded by the Bulldogs in an SEC contest since 2008 against Vanderbilt (107 yards) ... Earned MSU's highest tackling grade (82.6), according to PFF. **Texas A&M (10/17)**: Recorded four tackles. **at Alabama (10/31)**: Totaled four stops ... Made a solo tackle for loss in the first quarter.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)

at LSU 2-3-5; ARKANSAS 2-3-5; at Kentucky 2-4-6; TEXAS A&M 1-3-4; at Alabama 3-1-4.

» MURPHY'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2018	5-2	7	-	-	-	1	-	0.5-1
2019	18-8	26	-	-	2	1	-	1.0-1
2020	10-14	24	-	-	-	1	-	1.0-6
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>33-24</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2.5-8</b>

Tackles ..... 10; vs. Louisville, 12/30/19

Tackles for Loss ..... 1.0; Twice: Last at Alabama, 10/31/20

Pass Breakups ..... 1; Three Times: Last at Kentucky, 10/10/20

Interceptions ..... 1; at Arkansas, 11/2/19

NOTE: Owns one kickoff return for 16 yards.



AARON ODOM 17

Defensive End | 6-3 | 275  
 Junior (1L)  
 Jackson, Miss./Callaway  
 Major: Human Development & Family Science

» 2020

Season: Appeared in five games.

at LSU (9/26): Recorded one tackle. **Arkansas (10/3)**: Posted two tackles, including one for a loss. **at Kentucky (10/10)**: Logged two stops ... Part of a defense that allowed only 157 yards of total offense, the fewest yielded by the Bulldogs in an SEC contest since 2008 against Vanderbilt (107 yards). **Texas A&M (10/17)**: Recorded two tackles. **at Alabama (10/31)**: Totaled two tackles ... Made a solo stop behind the line in the second quarter.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)

at LSU 0-1-1; ARKANSAS 1-2-2; at Kentucky 0-2-2; TEXAS A&M 0-2-2; at Alabama 2-0-2.

» ODOM'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2018	0-1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
2019	0-1	1	-	-	-	-	0.5-7	0.5-7
2020	3-6	9	-	-	-	-	-	2.0-3
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>3-8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.5-7</b>	<b>2.5-10</b>

Tackles ..... 2; Four Times: Last at Alabama, 10/31/20

Tackles for Loss ..... 1.0; Twice: Last at Alabama, 10/31/20

Sacks ..... 0.5; Abilene Christian, 11/23/19



DAREUAN PARKER 56

Offensive Line | 6-4 | 355  
 Senior (3L)  
 Olive Branch, Miss./DeSoto Central  
 Major: Industrial Tech

» 2020

Season: Started five games.

at LSU (9/26): Played every offensive snap ... Graded as the top passing blocker (68.0) and run blocker (89.1) for the Bulldogs, according to PFF ... PFF also gave him the second-best offensive grade (78.6) on the team ... Helped protect K.J. Costello as he passed for an SEC and MSU record 623 yards. **Arkansas (10/3)**: Played every offensive snap at right guard ... Helped State record 400 yards of total offense ... Graded as MSU's second-best offensive lineman (68.4) and pass blocker (80.3), according to PFF. **at Kentucky (10/10)**: Graded as the No. 2 pass blocker (84.0) and run blocker (63.2) for State, according to PFF ... Helped protect K.J. Costello and Will Rogers as the duo combined to attempt an SEC and MSU-record 70 passes.



JAVONTA PAYTON 0

Wide Receiver | 6-1 | 180  
 Senior (1L)  
 Nashville, Tenn./Northwest [MS] CC  
 Major: Communication

» CAREER NOTES & RECORDS

Career: Top-ranked junior college wide receiver coming out of Northwest Mississippi Community College in 2018 ... Owns one career 100-yard receiving game (1 in 2020).

» 2020

Season: Appeared in five games with three starts.

Rankings: Sits No. 36 nationally and No. 5 in the SEC in kickoff return average (20.2 ypr) ... Ranks No. 70 in the FBS and No. 8 in the SEC in combined kickoff return yards (121).

at LSU (9/26): Set career highs in receptions (6) and receiving yards (122) ... One of three receivers that eclipsed 100 yards receiving on the day (Osirus Mitchell [183] and Kylin Hill [158]), marking only the second time in program history a trio of Bulldogs achieved the feat ... Finished with the third-highest receiving grade (71.5) on the team, according to PFF ... Five of his receptions were for first downs, including three on third down ... Matched his career-long reception (34). **Arkansas (10/3)**: Hauled in a 17-yard pass for the first touchdown reception of his career in the first quarter ... Finished with two catches for 23 yards ... Returned two kickoffs for 49 yards ... Recorded one tackle. **at Kentucky (10/10)**: Caught five passes for 34 yards ... Three of his receptions were first downs ... Combined with State's receiving corp to haul in an MSU-record 45 completions ... Recorded one tackle. **Texas A&M (10/17)**: Posted two receptions for nine yards. **at Alabama (10/31)**: Caught two passes for 16 yards ... Returned four kickoffs for 72 yards ... Recorded one tackle.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

Receiving (Receptions-Yards-TD)

at LSU 6-122-0; ARKANSAS 2-23-1; at Kentucky 5-34-0; TEXAS A&M 2-9-0; at Alabama 2-18-0.

» PAYTON'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	Att.-Yds.	YPC	TD	LG	Rec.-Yds.	YPC	TD	LG
2019	1-11	11.0	-	11	9-147	16.3	-	34
2020	-	-	-	-	17-204	12.0	1	34
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>1-11</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>26-351</b>	<b>13.5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>34</b>

Receptions ..... 6; at LSU, 9/26/20

Receiving Yards ..... 122; at LSU, 9/26/20

Receiving Touchdowns ..... 1; Arkansas, 10/3/20

Longest Reception ..... 34 yards; Twice: Last at LSU, 9/26/20



» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Kickoff Returns (Returns-Yards-TD-YPR)*

at LSU 0-0-0-0.0; ARKANSAS 2-49-0-24.5; at Kentucky 0-0-0-0.0; TEXAS A&M 0-0-0-0.0; at Alabama 4-72-0-18.0.

» PAYTON'S CAREER KICKOFF RETURN STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2019	4	82	20.5	-	24
2020	6	121	20.2	-	26
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>20.3</b>	-	<b>26</b>

**Kick Returns** ..... 4; Last at Alabama, 10/31/20

**Kick Return Yards** ..... 72; at Alabama, 10/31/20

**Long Kick Return** ..... 26 yards; Arkansas, 10/3/20

**NOTE:** Recorded 18 career tackles, with 16 coming on special teams.



**FRED PETERS** 38

Safety | 5-10 | 210  
Senior (1L)  
Columbia, Miss./Jones College  
Major: Psychology

» CAREER NOTES & RECORDS

**Career:** Cousin of former Mississippi State cornerback Jamal Peters ... Attended Jones County Junior College, following the footsteps of All-American and first-round NFL Draft pick Johnathan Abram.

» 2020

**Season:** Started four games ... One of 17 Bulldogs to make their first career start in 2020.

**Rankings:** Ranks tied No. 24 nationally and No. 2 in the SEC in fumbles recovered (1) ... Is tied for No. 86 in the NCAA and No. 9 in the SEC in forced fumbles (0.25 fppg).

**at LSU (9/26):** Earned first career start .. Recorded six tackles and one pass break up. **Arkansas (10/3):** Totaled six tackles, four of which were solo. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Posted six tackles ... Forced his second career fumble in the third quarter and recovered it for his first career fumble recovery ... Part of a defense that allowed only 157 yards of total offense, the fewest yielded by the Bulldogs in an SEC contest since 2008 against Vanderbilt (107 yards) ... Graded as the top rush defender (97.0) in the country and earned the fourth-highest defensive grade (91.3) among all defenders nationally, according to PFF ... Also earned the highest coverage (79.2) grades for MSU. **Texas A&M (10/17):** Recorded two tackles.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)*

at LSU 1-5-6; ARKANSAS 4-2-6; at Kentucky 4-2-6; TEXAS A&M 1-1-2; at Alabama DNP.

» PETERS' CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2019	6-4	10	1	-	1	2	1.0-11	3.0-15
2020	10-10	20	1	1	-	1	-	-
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>16-14</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1.0-11</b>	<b>3.0-14</b>

**Tackles** ..... 6; Three Times: Last at Kentucky, 10/10/20

**Tackles for Loss** ..... 2.0; Abilene Christian, 11/23/19

**Sacks** ..... 1.0; Abilene Christian, 11/23/19

**Pass Breakups** ..... 1; Twice: Last at LSU, 9/26/20

**Interceptions** ..... 1; Abilene Christian, 11/23/19

**Fumbles Forced** ..... 1; Twice: Last at Kentucky, 10/10/20

**Fumbles Recovered** ..... 1; at Kentucky, 10/10/20



**NATHAN PICKERING** 22

Defensive Tackle | 6-4 | 310  
Sophomore (1L)  
Mount Olive, Miss./Seminary  
Major: Mechanical Engineering

» CAREER NOTES & RECORDS

**Career:** 2019 SEC All-Freshman Team honoree ... Consensus four-star prospect and one of the top recruits from Mississippi coming out of Seminary High School in 2018.

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in five games.

**at LSU (9/26):** Recorded three tackles and half a sack ... Part of a defense that recorded 7.0 sacks, its most since 2015 (7.0; Ole Miss) ... Earned the top defensive grade among linemen (74.7) for State, according to PFF. **Arkansas (10/3):** Finished with four tackles and one sack ... Two of his tackles, including his sack, came in the fourth quarter during a one-score game ... Earned State's top overall defensive grade (72.4) and second-highest pass rush grade (69.8), according to PFF. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Posted three tackles and half a sack ... Part of a defense that allowed only 157 yards of total offense, the fewest yielded by the Bulldogs in an SEC contest since 2008 against Vanderbilt (107 yards). **Texas A&M (10/17):** Recorded three tackles. **at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled three stops.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)*

at LSU 0-3-3; ARKANSAS 1-3-4; at Kentucky 0-3-3; TEXAS A&M 0-3-3; at Alabama 1-2-3.

» PICKERING'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2019	5-6	11	-	-	-	-	3.0-26	6.0-46
2020	2-14	16	-	-	-	-	2.0-10	2.0-10
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>7-20</b>	<b>27</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>5.0-36</b>	<b>8.0-56</b>

**Tackles** ..... 4; Twice: Last Arkansas, 10/3/20

**Tackles for Loss** ..... 2.5; Abilene Christian, 11/23/19

**Sacks** ..... 1.0; Three Times: Last Arkansas, 10/3/20



**SHAWN PRESTON JR.** 12

Safety | 6-0 | 210  
Sophomore (1L)  
St. James, La./St. James  
Major: Business Administration

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in four games.

**at LSU (9/26):** Finished with a career-best 11 tackles to lead the team ... All 11 tackles came in the second half. **Arkansas (10/3):** Posted five tackles ... Logged his first career tackle for loss. **Texas A&M (10/17):** Recorded three tackles and one pass break up ... Owned the team's top coverage grade (78.9), according to PFF. **at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled seven tackles ... Combined with Landon Guidry on a fourth-quarter tackle for loss.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)*

at LSU 6-5-11; ARKANSAS 2-3-5; at Kentucky DNP; TEXAS A&M 1-2-3; at Alabama 3-4-7.

» PRESTON JR.'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2018	1-0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
2019	15-10	25	-	-	-	2	-	-
2020	12-14	26	-	-	-	1	-	1.5-2
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>28-24</b>	<b>52</b>	-	-	-	<b>3</b>	-	<b>1.5-2</b>

**Tackles** ..... 11; at LSU, 9/26/20

**Tackle for Loss** ..... 1.0; Arkansas, 10/3/20

**Pass Breakups** ..... 1; Three Times: Last Texas A&M, 10/17/20



**DECAMERION RICHARDSON** 30

Cornerback | 6-2 | 180  
Freshman (HS)  
Cullen, La./Bossier  
Major: Undeclared

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in three games ... One of eight MSU true freshmen to debut in 2020 ... One of 20 student-athletes to make their Mississippi State debut in 2020.

**Arkansas (10/3):** Made collegiate debut.



**WILL ROGERS** 2

Quarterback | 6-2 | 205  
Freshman (HS)  
Brandon, Miss./Brandon  
Major: Marketing

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in three games ... One of eight MSU true freshmen to debut in 2020 ... One of 20 student-athletes to make their Mississippi State debut in 2020.

**at Kentucky (10/10):** Made collegiate debut ... Went 9-for-15 passing for 43 yards ... Combined with K.J. Costello to throw 70 passing attempts, setting the SEC and MSU single-game records ... The previous MSU was 60 attempts, which occurred in each of the first two games of the 2020 season, while the SEC record was 69 by LSU against Auburn in 1999 ... The duo combined for an MSU record 45 completions, a mark that ranks third in SEC history. **Texas A&M (10/17):** Surpassed John Bond's (81.3; Tulane, 1982) school record for completion percentage (min. 15 attempts) in a game at 83.3 percent (15-of-18) ... Connected with Malik Heath on his first career touchdown pass, a 32-yard strike in the fourth quarter ... Finished with 120 yards passing ... Earned the top offensive grade (72.0) for State, according to PFF. **at Alabama (10/31):** Completed a career-high 24 passes for a career-best 147 yards ... Broke a career-long run of 11 yards.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Passing (Comp.-Att.-Yds.-TD-INT)*

at LSU DNP; ARKANSAS DNP; at Kentucky 9-15-43-0-2; TEXAS A&M 15-18-120-1-0; 24-37-147-0-2.

» ROGERS' CAREER PASSING STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	C-A	Yds.	%	TD-INT	YPG	LG
2020	48-70	310	68.6	1-4	103.3	32
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>48-70</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>68.6</b>	<b>1-4</b>	<b>103.3</b>	<b>32</b>

**Pass Completions** ..... 24; at Alabama, 10/31/20

**Pass Attempts** ..... 37; at Alabama, 10/31/20

**Passing Yards** ..... 147; at Alabama, 10/31/20

**Passing Touchdowns** ..... 1; Texas A&M, 10/17/20

**Long Pass** ..... 32 yards; Texas A&M, 10/17/20

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Rushing (Carries-Yards-TD)*

at LSU DNP; ARKANSAS DNP; at Kentucky 0-0-0; TEXAS A&M 1-(-7)-0; at Alabama 2-4-0.

» ROGERS' CAREER OFFENSIVE STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	Att.-Yds.	YPC	TD	LG	Rec.-Yds.	YPC	TD	LG
2020	3-(-3)	(-1.0)	-	11	-	-	-	-
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>3-(-3)</b>	<b>(-1.0)</b>	-	<b>11</b>	-	-	-	-

**Rush Attempts** ..... 2; at Alabama, 10/31/20

**Rush Yards** ..... 4; at Alabama, 10/31/20

**Long Rush** ..... 11; at Alabama, 10/31/20

**Total Offense Yards** ..... 151; at Alabama, 10/31/20

**All-Purpose Yards** ..... 4; at Alabama, 10/31/20





**BRANDON RUIZ** 8  
 Kicker | 5-10 | 180  
 Junior (GTR)  
 Tempe, Ariz./Arizona State  
 Major: Workforce Educational Leadership (Grad)

» CAREER NOTES & RECORDS

**Career:** Graduate transfer from Arizona State ... Owns his undergraduate degree in liberal studies from Arizona State ... Pursuing his master's degree in workforce education leadership ... Two-year starter as place kicker at Arizona State before missing 2019 due to injury ... Three-time Pac-12 Special Teams Player of the Week ... 115-of-170 kickoffs have gone for touchbacks (67.6%) ... For his career, is true on 40-of-53 field goal tries ... Eight of the 13 missed field goals are 45-plus yard attempts, with six of those 50-plus yard attempts ... Ranks No. 8 in Arizona State's career field goals made list (37) and career points scored by a kicker (205) ... Owns an active streak of 101 consecutive extra points made ... Only freshman in ASU history with multiple 50-yard field makes as a freshman.

**NCAA Active Leaders:** Sits No. 16 nationally in points per game (7.2) ... Ranks No. 19 in the FBS in field goals made (40) ... Is No. 28 in the NCAA in extra points made (103) ... Stands No. 30 nationally in total points (223) ... Sits No. 32 in the FBS in field goal percentage (75.5).

» 2020

**Awards:** Tabbed as one of the Lou Groza Stars of the Week following his 14-point effort at LSU (9/26), in which he connected on all eight kicks (3 FG, 5 XP).

**Season:** Started five games at place kicker ... Handled all placement kicks in 2020 ... One of 20 student-athletes to make their Mississippi State debut in 2020 ... 14 points at LSU rank tied for No. 4 on MSU's single game kicking points list with Brian Hazelwood (at Alabama, 11/15/1997 [4 FG, 2 XP]) ... The kicking point total at LSU is also tied with Hazelwood for most in a true road game.

**Rankings:** Ranks No. 79 in the NCAA and No. 11 in the SEC in field goals made per game (0.60).

**at LSU (9/26):** Made MSU debut... Scored 14 points ... Was 3-for-3 on field goals and converted all five of PAT attempts ... Recorded eight touchbacks on nine kickoffs. **Arkansas (10/3):** Went 2-for-2 on PAT attempts ... All three of his kickoffs were touchbacks. **Texas A&M (10/17):** Went 2-for-2 on PAT attempts ... All three kickoffs were touchbacks.

» RUIZ'S CAREER SCORING STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	FGM-A	%	0-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	LG	XP	PTS
2017*	19-27	.704	-	7-7	5-5	5-10	2-5	52	49-50	106
2018*	18-22	.818	-	8-8	6-7	4-5	0-2	49	45-45	99
2019*				DNP (Injury)						
2020	3-4	.750	-	1-1	1-1	1-1	0-1	43	7-7	16
<b>CAREER 40-53</b>	<b>.755</b>			<b>16-16</b>	<b>12-13</b>	<b>10-16</b>	<b>2-8</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>103-104</b>	<b>223</b>
<b>MSU</b>	<b>3-4</b>	<b>.750</b>		<b>1-1</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>0-1</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>9-9</b>	<b>18</b>

\* - at Arizona State

<b>Field Goal Attempts</b> .....	4; Twice: Last at UCLA, 11/11/17*
<b>Field Goals Made</b> .....	3; Six Times: Last at LSU, 9/26/19
<b>Field Goal Long</b> .....	52; Twice: Last Washington, 10/14/17*
<b>PATs Made</b> .....	7; UTSA, 9/1/18*
<b>Points:</b> .....	14; at LSU, 9/26/20

» RUIZ'S CAREER KICKOFF STATISTICS

	No.	Yds	AVG	TB	OB
2017*	75	4,756	63.4	52	1
2018*	78	4,802	61.6	48	1
2019*			DNP (Injury)		
2020	17	1,105	65.0	16	-
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>10,663</b>	<b>62.7</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>MSU</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1,105</b>	<b>65.0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>-</b>

\* - at Arizona State

<b>Kickoffs</b> .....	9; Three Times: Last at LSU, 9/26/20
<b>Kickoff Yards</b> .....	585; Twice: Last at LSU, 9/26/20
<b>Kickoff Average</b> .....	65.0 yards; Nine Times: Last at Alabama, 10/31/20



**LAQUINSTON SHARP** 63  
 Offensive Line | 6-3 | 300  
 Senior (1L)  
 Columbus, Miss./East Mississippi CC  
 Major: Industrial Tech & Psychology

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in five games with three starts.

**at LSU (9/26):** Played 13 snaps at left guard. **Arkansas (10/3):** Earned the start at left guard, where he played every offensive snap ... Helped State record 400 yards of offense. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Saw action at left guard ... Helped protect K.J. Costello and Will Rogers as the duo combined to attempt an SEC and MSU-record 70 passes ... Graded as State's top pass blocker (86.4), according to PFF. **at Alabama (10/31):** Graded as the top pass blocker (89.0) on the team, according to PFF ... His pass blocking grade ranked fourth in the country for the week.



**COLE SMITH** 57  
 Offensive Line | 6-3 | 305  
 Sophomore (SQ)  
 Pontotoc, Miss./LSU  
 Major: Psychology

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in four games with three starts ... Started the first two games of the season at center ... One of 17 Bulldogs to make their first career start in 2020 ... One of 20 student-athletes to make their Mississippi State debut in 2020.

**at LSU (9/26):** Played every offensive snap at center... Helped protect K.J. Costello as he passed for an SEC and MSU record 623 yards. **Arkansas (10/3):** Played every offensive snap at center ... Helped State record 400 yards of total offense. **Texas A&M (10/17):** Saw action at left guard.



**MARQUISS SPENCER** 42  
 Defensive End | 6-4 | 300  
 Senior (3L)  
 Greenwood, Miss./Greenwood  
 Major: Interdisciplinary Studies

» CAREER NOTES & RECORDS

**Career:** Returned from an upper-body injury that forced him to miss the majority of the 2018 to anchor the defensive line in 2019 ... Appeared in 44 career games with 15 starts ... Two-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll (2017, 19)... LeTied for the lead among active MSU defensive linemen in career tackles for loss (20.0) with Kobe Jones.

**NCAA Active Leaders:** Sits tied for No. 79 in the FBS in tackles for loss (20.0).

» 2020

**Season:** Started four games.

**Rankings:** Sits tied for No. 79 nationally and No. 9 in the SEC in sacks (0.50 fppg).

**at LSU (9/26):** Notched three tackles and a career-high 2.0 sacks for a loss of 10 yards ... Part of a defense that recorded 7.0 sacks, its most since 2015 (7.0; Ole Miss). **Arkansas (10/3):** Totaled five tackles, one tackle for loss and one forced fumble ... His forced fumble came on a goal-line stop in the second quarter and was recovered by Londyn Craft. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Posted four stops ... Logged a career-high 2.5 tackles for loss, which included and half a sack ... Part of a defense that allowed only 157 yards of total offense, the fewest yielded by the Bulldogs in an SEC contest since 2008 against Vanderbilt (107 yards). **Texas A&M (10/17):** Recorded four tackles. **at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled four tackles.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

**Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)**

at LSU 3-0-3; ARKANSAS 3-2-5; at Kentucky 2-2-4; TEXAS A&M 0-4-4; at Alabama 2-2-4.

» SPENCER'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2016	9-8	17	-	1	-	-	1.0-9	3.0-12
2017	5-14	19	-	2	-	2	1.0-6	4.5-16
2018	1-2	3	-	-	-	-	-	0.5-1
2019	22-15	37	2	-	-	1	2.0-6	6.5-15
2020	10-10	20	1	-	-	-	2.5-15	5.5-22
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>47-49</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6.5-36</b>	<b>20.0-66</b>

<b>Tackles</b> .....	6; at Texas A&M, 10/26/19
<b>Tackles for Loss</b> .....	2.5; at Kentucky, 10/10/20
<b>Sacks</b> .....	2.0; at LSU, 9/26/20
<b>Pass Breakups</b> .....	1; Three Times: LSU, 10/19/19
<b>Fumbles Forced</b> .....	1; Three Times: Last vs. Arkansas, 10/3/20
<b>Fumbles Recovered</b> .....	1; Three Times: Last at Arkansas, 11/18/17



**GEOR'QUARIUS SPIVEY** 11  
 Wide Receiver | 6-5 | 240  
 Sophomore (1L)  
 Monroe, La./Richwood  
 Major: Business Administration

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in five games ... Seen time one offense and special teams.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

**Receiving (Receptions-Yards-TD)**

at LSU 0-0-0; ARKANSAS 0-0-0; at Kentucky 0-0-0; TEXAS A&M 0-0-0; at Alabama 0-0-0.

» SPIVEY'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	Att.-Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.-Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2019	-	-	-	-	3-32	10.7	-	13
2020	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3-32</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13</b>

<b>Receptions</b> .....	1; Three Times: Last vs. Louisville, 12/31/19
<b>Receiving Yards</b> .....	13; vs. Louisville, 12/31/19
<b>Longest Reception</b> .....	13 yards; vs. Louisville, 12/31/19



**ERROLL THOMPSON** 40  
 Linebacker | 6-1 | 250  
 Senior (3L)  
 Florence, Ala./Florence  
 Major: Interdisciplinary Studies

» CAREER NOTES & RECORDS

**Career:** Smart, instinctive, hard-hitter who is one of the best linebackers in college football ... Made 29 straight starts at middle linebacker after assuming the starting role for the final three games of his redshirt freshman season, a streak that ended in the 2019 Music City Bowl ... Owns nine double-digit tackle games (2 in 2018; 3 in 2019; 4 in 2020) ... Posted back-to-back double-digit tackle games for the first time in his career in 2020, doing so twice.

**NCAA Active Leaders:** Sits No. 10 in the FBS in total tackles (267).

» 2020

**Awards:** Preseason candidate for the Butkus Award, presented to the nation's top linebacker ... Tabbed preseason All-SEC by the coaches (second team) and media (third team).

**Season:** Started five games ... Served as MSU team captain in all five games ... Logged 10+ tackles in four of the five games.

**Rankings:** Sits No. 20 nationally and No. 7 in the SEC in tackles per game (10.0).

**LSU (9/26):** Finished with 10 tackles and 1.0 sack ... Eight of his tackles came in the second half, including three on LSU's final drive ... Recorded a sack on third down in the red zone to force a field goal early in the third quarter ... Part of a defense that recorded 7.0 sacks, its most since 2015 (7.0; Ole Miss) ... Earned the highest pass rush grade (72.5) on the team, according to PFF. **Arkansas (10/3):** Recorded a team-high 13 tackles ...

10 which came in the second half ... Marked the first time in his career that he recorded 10 tackles in back-to-back games ... First Bulldog with back-to-back games of 10+ tackles since Beniquez Brown in 2015 (Alabama, 11; at Arkansas, 12). **at Kentucky (10/10):** Logged five tackles ... Part of a defense that allowed only 157 yards of total offense, the fewest yielded by the Bulldogs in an SEC contest since 2008 against Vanderbilt (107 yards). **Texas A&M (10/17):** Finished with a team-high 11 tackles ... Added 0.5 tackles for loss ... Earned the team's top pass rushing (71.1) grade, according to PFF. **at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled a game-high 11 tackles ... Graded as the top tackler (83.8) and run defender (82.5) on the team, according to PFF ... Posted the second-highest defensive grade (72.5) on the team.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)*

at LSU 4-6-10; ARKANSAS 5-7-13; at Kentucky 1-4-5; TEXAS A&M 1-10-11; at Alabama 5-6-11.

» THOMPSON'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2017	21-25	46	1	-	-	1	2.5-18	5.5-36
2018	31-56	87	-	-	2	2	3.5-26	9.0-34
2019	38-46	84	1	1	-	2	0.5-4	3.5-11
2020	17-33	50	-	-	-	-	1.0-6	1.5-6
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>107-160</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7.5-54</b>	<b>19.5-87</b>

**Tackles** ..... 14; Florida, 9/29/18  
**Tackles for Loss** ..... 2.5; Arkansas, 11/17/18  
**Sacks** ..... 1.5; Arkansas, 11/17/18  
**Pass Breakups** ..... 1; Twice: Last Kentucky, 9/21/19  
**Interceptions** ..... 1; Twice: Last Texas A&M, 10/27/18  
**Fumbles Forced** ..... 1; Twice: Last Ole Miss, 11/28/19  
**Fumbles Recovered** ..... 1; at Louisiana, 8/31/19



**SHERMAN TIMBS** 34  
 Defensive End | 6-2 | 270  
 Junior (1L)  
 Indianola, Miss./Indianola Academy  
 Major: Agribusiness

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in five games.

**Texas A&M (10/17):** Recorded one tackle. **at Alabama (10/31):** Made one stop.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)*

at LSU 0-0-0; ARKANSAS 0-0-0; at Kentucky 0-0-0; TEXAS A&M 0-1-1; at Alabama 1-0-1.

» TIMBS' CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2018	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2019	1-2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
2020	1-1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>2-3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

**Tackles** ..... 1; Five Times: Last at Alabama, 10/31/20



**JADEN WALLEY** 31  
 Wide Receiver | 6-0 | 180  
 Freshman (HS)  
 D'Iberville, Miss./D'Iberville  
 Major: Industrial Tech

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in five games with two starts... One of eight MSU true freshmen to debut in 2020 ... One of 17 Bulldogs to make their first career start in 2020 ... One of 20 student-athletes to make their Mississippi State debut in 2020.

**at LSU (9/26):** Made collegiate debut. **Arkansas (10/3):** Earned first career start ... Finished with six catches and 56 yards ... Recorded first career catch on State's second drive for a 16-yard gain ... Returned two punts for 21 yards ... Part of a freshmen trio (Jo'quavious Marks and Dillon Johnson) that accounted for 217 yards of offense, which was 54.3 percent of State's 400 yards. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Logged two catches for 17 yards ... Combined with State's receiving corp to haul in an MSU-record 45 completions ... Returned the first kickoff of his career for 11 yards. **Texas A&M (10/17):** Recorded three receptions for 37 yards ... Caught a career-long 19-yard pass in the second quarter. **at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled three catches for 18 yards.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Receiving (Receptions-Yards-TD)*

at LSU 0-0-0; ARKANSAS 6-56-0; at Kentucky 2-17-0; TEXAS A&M 3-37-0; at Alabama 3-18-0.

» WALLEY'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	Att.-Yds.	YPC	TD	LG	Rec.-Yds.	YPC	TD	LG
2020	-	-	-	-	14-128	11.0	-	16
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>14-128</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>16</b>

**Receptions** ..... 6; Arkansas, 10/3/20  
**Receiving Yards** ..... 56; Arkansas, 10/3/20  
**Longest Reception** ..... 19 yards; Texas A&M, 10/17/20

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Kickoff Returns (Returns-Yards-TD-YPR)*

at LSU 0-0-0-0; ARKANSAS 0-0-0-0.0; at Kentucky 1-11-0-11.0; TEXAS A&M 0-0-0-0.0; at Alabama 0-0-0-0.0.

» WALLEY'S CAREER KICKOFF RETURN STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2020	1	11	11.0	-	11
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11</b>

**Kick Returns** ..... 1; at Kentucky, 10/10/20  
**Kick Return Yards** ..... 11; at Kentucky, 10/10/20  
**Long Kick Return** ..... 11 yards; at Kentucky, 10/10/20

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Punt Returns (Returns-Yards-TD-YPR)*

at LSU 0-0-0-0.0; ARKANSAS 2-21-0-10.5; at Kentucky 0-0-0-0.0; TEXAS A&M 0-0-0-0.0; at Alabama 0-0-0-0.0.

» WALLEY'S CAREER PUNT RETURN STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2020	2	21	10.5	--	20
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>20</b>

**Punt Returns** ..... 2; Arkansas, 10/3/20  
**Punt Return Yards** ..... 21; Arkansas, 10/3/20  
**Long Punt Return** ..... 20 yards; Arkansas, 10/3/20

**All-Purpose Yards** ..... 77; Arkansas, 10/3/20

**NOTE:** Owns one career tackle (Arkansas, 2020).



**NATHANIEL WATSON** 14  
 Linebacker | 6-2 | 250  
 Sophomore (1L)  
 Maplesville, Ala./Maplesville  
 Major: Undeclared

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in five games ... Has seen time on defense and special teams.

**at LSU (9/26):** Recorded three tackles. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Logged three tackles and half a tackle for loss ... Part of a defense that allowed only 157 yards of total offense, the fewest yielded by the Bulldogs in an SEC contest since 2008 against Vanderbilt (107 yards). **Texas A&M (10/17):** Recorded one tackle. **at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled one stop.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)*

at LSU 2-1-3; ARKANSAS 0-0-0; at Kentucky 1-2-3; TEXAS A&M 0-1-1; at Alabama 0-1-1.

» WATSON'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2018	2-1	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
2019	1-1	2	-	-	-	-	-	1.0-1
2020	3-5	8	-	-	-	-	-	0.5-1
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>6-7</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1.5-2</b>

**Tackles** ..... 3; Twice: Last at Kentucky, 10/10/20  
**Tackles for Loss** ..... 1.0; vs. Louisville, 12/30/19



**TYRUS WHEAT** 2  
 Linebacker | 6-2 | 260  
 Junior (JC)  
 Amite, La./Copiah-Lincoln [MS] CC  
 Major: Undeclared

» 2020

**Season:** Started five games ... One of 17 Bulldogs to make their first career start in 2020 ... One of 20 student-athletes to make their Mississippi State debut in 2020.

**Rankings:** Sits tied for No. 24 in the NCAA and No. 2 in the SEC in fumbles recovered (1) ... Is tied for No. 97 nationally and No. 9 in the SEC in sacks (0.50 spg).

**at LSU (9/26):** Made collegiate debut in a start ... Recorded four tackles, one sack and one pass break ... Picked up his first career sack in the second quarter ... Part of a defense that recorded 7.0 sacks, its most since 2015 (7.0; Ole Miss) ... Earned the highest defensive (76.2) and coverage (74.1) grades for the Bulldogs and was second on the team in tackling (79.2) and pass rushing (72.4) grades, according to PFF. **Arkansas (10/3):** Posted two tackles and 0.5 sack. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Logged a sack for the third straight game to start his Mississippi State career as his lone tackle ... Part of a defense that allowed only 157 yards of total offense, the fewest yielded by the Bulldogs in an SEC contest since 2008 against Vanderbilt (107 yards). **Texas A&M (10/17):** Recorded four tackles. **at Alabama (10/31):** Recovered the first fumble of his career on a goal-line stand in the fourth quarter and returned it 13 yards ... Added one tackle.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)*

at LSU 2-2-4; ARKANSAS 1-1-2; at Kentucky 1-0-1; TEXAS A&M 1-3-4; at Alabama 0-1-1.

» WHEAT'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2020	5-7	12	-	1	-	1	2.5-17	2.5-17
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>5-7</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2.5-17</b>	<b>2.5-17</b>

**Tackles** ..... 4; Twice: Last Texas A&M, 10/17/20  
**Sacks** ..... 1.0; Twice: Last at Kentucky, 10/10/20  
**Tackles for Loss** ..... 1.0; Twice: Last at Kentucky, 10/10/20  
**Pass Breakups** ..... 1; at LSU, 9/26/20  
**Fumble Recoveries** ..... 1; at Alabama, 10/31/20



**AUSTIN WILLIAMS** 85  
 Wide Receiver | 6-3 | 200  
 Junior (2L)  
 Ocean Springs, Miss./Ocean Springs  
 Major: Finance

» CAREER NOTES & RECORDS

**Career:** Earned his undergraduate degree in finance in three years ... Carried a 4.0 GPA throughout his undergraduate program ... Three-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll (2017-19).

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in five games with four starts ... Has seen time at wide receiver and as punt returner.

**Rankings:** Sits No. 19 nationally and No. 2 in the SEC in punt return average (7.2 ypr).

**at LSU (9/26):** Finished with career highs in receptions (7) and receiving yards (57) to go along with one touchdown ... Four of his catches came in the fourth quarter ... Fourth-quarter touchdown catch gave State a 34-24 lead ... Two of his receptions went for first downs. **at Kentucky (10/10):** Recorded five receptions for 39 yards ... Combined with State's receiving corp to haul in an MSU-record 45 completions ... Posted career highs for punt returns (5), punt return yardage (43) and long punt return (17). **Texas A&M (10/17):** Recorded three catches for 32 yards. **at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled three receptions for 32 yards.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Receiving (Receptions-Yards-TD)*

at LSU 7-57-1; ARKANSAS 0-0-0; at Kentucky 5-39-0; TEXAS A&M 3-32-0; at Alabama 3-32-0.

» A. WILLIAMS' CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	Att.-Yds.	YPC	TD	LG	Rec.-Yds.	YPC	TD	LG
2018	-	-	-	-	10-137	13.7	3	33
2019	-	-	-	-	11-119	10.8	2	28
2020	-	-	-	-	18-160	8.9	1	19
<b>CAREER</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>39-416</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>33</b>

**Receptions** ..... 7; at LSU, 9/26/20  
**Receiving Yards** ..... 57; at LSU, 9/26/20  
**Receiving Touchdowns** ..... 2; Arkansas, 11/17/18  
**Longest Reception** ..... 33 yards; Arkansas, 11/17/18

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Punt Returns (Returns-Yards-TD-YPR)*

at LSU 0-0-0-0.0; ARKANSAS 1-0-0-0.0; at Kentucky 5-43-0-8.6; TEXAS A&M 0-0-0-0.0; at Alabama 0-0-0-0.0.

» A. WILLIAMS' CAREER PUNT RETURN STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2018	-	-	-	-	-
2019	-	-	-	-	-
2020	6	43	7.2	-	17
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17</b>

**Punt Returns** ..... 5; at Kentucky, 10/10/20  
**Punt Return Yards** ..... 43; at Kentucky, 10/10/20  
**Long Punt Return** ..... 17 yards; at Kentucky, 10/10/20



**LEE WITHERSPOON** 22  
 Running Back | 5-10 | 195  
 Sophomore (1L)  
 Birmingham, Ala./North Jackson  
 Major: Undeclared

» CAREER NOTES & RECORDS

**Career:** Phenomenal athlete that shattered Alabama state records as a running back at North Jackson High School ... Has good speed, quickness and vision ... Played defensive back at A.H. Parker High School prior to transferring to North Jackson ... Holds Alabama state records for single-season rushing touchdowns (53) and total touchdowns in a season (59).

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in five games.

**at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled four receptions for 25 yards ... Carried once for no gain.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Rushing (Carries-Yards-TD)*

at LSU 0-0-0; ARKANSAS 0-0-0; at Kentucky 0-0-0; TEXAS A&M 0-0-0; at Alabama 1-0-0.

*Receiving (Receptions-Yards-TD)*

at LSU 0-0-0; ARKANSAS 0-0-0; at Kentucky 0-0-0; TEXAS A&M 0-0-0; at Alabama 4-25-0.

» WITHERSPOON'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	Att.-Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG	Rec.-Yds.	Avg.	TD	LG
2019	22-101	4.6	1	22	3-19	6.3	-	12
2020	1-0	0.0	-	0	4-25	6.3	-	13
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>23-101</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>7-44</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13</b>

**Rushes** ..... 7; Southern Miss, 9/7/18  
**Rush Yards** ..... 40; Southern Miss, 9/7/18  
**Rushing Touchdowns** ..... 1; Southern Miss, 9/7/18  
**Long Rush** ..... 22 yards; Southern Miss, 9/7/18

**Receptions** ..... 4; at Alabama 10/31/20  
**Receiving Yards** ..... 25; at Alabama 10/31/20  
**Longest Reception** ..... 13 yards; at Alabama 10/31/20

**NOTE:** Has one career kickoff return for 15 yards ... Owns one career tackle (Texas A&M, 2020).



**CAMERON YOUNG** 93  
 Defensive Tackle | 6-3 | 320  
 Sophomore (1L)  
 Crosby, Miss./Franklin County  
 Major: Undeclared

» 2020

**Season:** Appeared in two games.

**at Alabama (10/31):** Totaled one tackle.

» 2020 GAME-BY-GAME

*Tackles (Solo-Assisted-Total)*

at LSU 0-0-0; ARKANSAS DNP; at Kentucky DNP; TEXAS A&M DNP; at Alabama 0-1-1.

» YOUNG'S CAREER STATISTICS & GAME HIGHS

	UA-A	TK	FF	FR	I	PBU	SACK	TFL
2018	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2019	2-3	5	-	-	-	-	-	1.0-2
2020	0-1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>2-4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1.0-2</b>

**Tackles** ..... 2; Southern Miss, 9/7/19  
**Tackles for Loss** ..... 1.0; Texas A&M, 10/26/19

## ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.
25	Somon Anderson	S
89	Carson Banks	WR
80	Jay Banks	WR
92	Jevon Banks	DE
43	Paul Blackwell	LS
97	Reed Bowman	P
87	Bo Brooks	WR
3	Aaron Brule	LB
51	Reed Buys	OL
20	Kyle Cass	CB
16	Korey Charles	CB
47	Jace Christmann	K
26	Aadreekis Conner	S
90	Armondous Cooley	DT
3	K.J. Costello	QB
41	Colby Cox	LS
28	Londyn Craft	S
67	Charles Cross	OL
94	Jaden Crumedy	DT
25	Brad Cumbest	WR
72	Brandon Cunningham	OL
6	Jordan Davis	LB
37	Tucker Day	P
36	Janari Dean	S
17	Caleb Ducking	WR
19	Collin Duncan	S
55	Greg Eiland	OL
1	Martin Emerson	CB
13	Emmanuel Forbes	CB
24	Christian Ford	WR
27	Esaias Furdge	CB
18	Cameron Gardner	WR
53	Joseph Garner	LB
48	Scott Goodman	K
37	Haze Greer	WR
81	Lideatrick Griffin	WR
54	Rodney Groce Jr.	LB
35	Landon Guidry	S
68	Hayes Hammond	LS
15	Jack Harris	DE
82	Rufus Harvey	WR
4	Malik Heath	WR
86	Jordon Hoyer	WR
52	Grant Jackson	OL
71	James Jackson	OL
51	R.J. Jennings	LB
32	J.J. Jernighan	RB
36	Jay Jimison	CB
23	Dillon Johnson	RB
44	Jett Johnson	LB
69	Kwatrivous Johnson	OL
70	Ramble Johnson	OL
84	Dontea Jones	WR
58	Kameron Jones	OL
52	Kobe Jones	DE
89	Brodie King	WR
4	Izuchukwu King Ani	DE
78	Scott Lashley	OL
24	Dylan Lawrence	S
95	Allen Love	DT

## NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown (Previous School)
0	JaVonta Payton	WR	6-1	180	Sr.	1L	Nashville, Tenn. (Northwest Mississippi CC)
1	Martin Emerson	CB	6-2	195	So.	1L	Pensacola, Fla. (Pine Forest)
2	Will Rogers	QB	6-2	205	Fr.	HS	Brandon, Miss. (Brandon)
2	Tyrus Wheat	LB	6-2	260	Jr.	JC	Amite, La. (Copiah-Lincoln [Miss.] CC)
3	Aaron Brule	LB	6-1	230	So.	1L	New Orleans, La. (Archbishop Rummel)
3	K.J. Costello	QB	6-5	225	Sr.	GTR	Rancho Santa Margarita, Calif. (Stanford)
4	Malik Heath	WR	6-3	215	Jr.	JC	Jackson, Miss. (Copiah-Lincoln [Miss.] CC)
4	Izuchukwu King Ani	DE	6-4	255	RFr.	RS	Hendersonville, Tenn. (Davidson Academy)
5	Osirus Mitchell	WR	6-5	210	Sr.	3L	Sarasota, Fla. (Booker)
6	Jordan Davis	LB	6-4	260	Jr.	JC	Memphis, Tenn. (Copiah-Lincoln [Miss.] CC)
7	Marcus Murphy	S	6-1	200	Jr.	2L	West Point, Miss. (West Point)
8	Brandon Ruiz	K	5-10	180	RJr.	GTR	Tempe, Ariz. (Arizona State)
9	De'Monte Russell	LB	6-4	250	RFr.	RS	Jackson, Miss. (Provine)
11	Geor'quarius Spivey	WR	6-5	240	So.	1L	Monroe, La. (Richwood)
12	Shawn Preston Jr.	S	6-0	210	So.	1L	St. James, La. (St. James)
13	Emmanuel Forbes	CB	6-0	180	Fr.	HS	Grenada, Miss. (Grenada)
13	Kyziah Pruitt	WR	5-10	205	RFr.	RS	Macon, Miss. (Noxubee County)
13	Tyler Williams	CB	6-2	175	Jr.	2L	Oxford, Miss. (Lafayette)
14	Nathaniel Watson	LB	6-2	250	So.	1L	Maplesville, Ala. (Maplesville)
15	Jack Harris	DE	6-3	250	RFr.	RS	Sumrall, Miss. (Oak Grove)
16	Korey Charles	CB	5-10	185	Sr.	3L	Miami, Fla. (North Florida Christian)
16	Allan Walters	QB	6-2	210	RSO.	TR	Chatham, N.J. (Vanderbilt)
17	Caleb Ducking	WR	6-5	200	Jr.	JC	Rolling Fork, Miss. (Holmes [Miss.] CC)
17	Aaron Odom	DE	6-3	275	Jr.	1L	Jackson, Miss. (Callaway)
18	Cameron Gardner	WR	6-4	220	So.	1L	Starkville, Miss. (Starkville)
19	Collin Duncan	S	6-0	205	So.	SQ	Montgomery, Ala. (St. James)
19	Justin Stolberg	QB	6-1	190	RJr.	JC	Covington, La. (Butler [Kan.] CC)
20	Kyle Cass	CB	6-2	195	Jr.	JC	New Orleans, La. (Mississippi Delta CC)
20	Trip Wilson	WR	6-2	190	Fr.	HS	Tupelo, Miss. (Tupelo)
21	Jo'quavious Marks	RB	5-10	195	Fr.	HS	Atlanta, Ga. (Carver)
21	Jaylon Reed	CB	6-0	185	So.	SQ	Olive Branch, Miss. (Olive Branch)
22	Nathan Pickering	DT	6-4	310	So.	1L	Mount Olive, Miss. (Seminary)
22	Lee Witherspoon	RB	5-10	195	So.	1L	Birmingham, Ala. (North Jackson)
23	Dillon Johnson	RB	6-0	215	Fr.	HS	Greenville, Miss. (Saint Joseph)
23	J.P. Purvis	S	6-1	220	RFr.	RS	Pelahatchie, Miss. (Pelahatchie Attendance Center)
24	Christian Ford	WR	5-11	170	So.	JC	Atlanta, Ga. (Iowa Central CC)
24	Dylan Lawrence	S	6-4	195	RFr.	RS	George County, Miss. (George County)
25	Somon Anderson	S	6-0	200	Jr.	SQ	New Orleans, La. (Brother Martin)
25	Brad Cumbest	WR	6-5	245	So.	1L	Hurley, Miss. (East Central)
26	Aadreekis Conner	S	6-2	210	Jr.	1L	Port Gibson, Miss. (Port Gibson)
27	Esaias Furdge	CB	6-0	185	So.	SQ	Clarksdale, Miss. (Clarksdale)
28	Londyn Craft	S	6-0	200	Jr.	SQ	Rio Rancho, N.M. (IMG Academy)
29	C.J. Morgan	S	6-0	200	Sr.	3L	Bossier City, La. (Parkway)
30	Decameron Richardson	CB	6-2	180	Fr.	HS	Cullen, La. (Bossier)
31	Malik Sanders	CB	5-11	165	Jr.	SQ	Greenville, Miss. (Northwest Mississippi CC)
31	Jaden Walley	WR	6-0	180	Fr.	HS	D'berville, Miss. (D'berville)
32	J.J. Jernighan	RB	5-11	205	Jr.	JC	Amory, Miss. (Copiah-Lincoln [Miss.] CC)
32	Cam Threatt	CB	6-0	165	Fr.	HS	Lewisburg, Miss. (Lewisburg)
33	Omni Wells	RB	5-10	195	Jr.	JC	Moss Point, Miss. (Mississippi Gulf Coast CC)
34	Sherman Timbs	DE	6-2	270	Jr.	1L	Indianola, Miss. (Indianola Academy)
35	Landon Guidry	S	6-0	195	Jr.	2L	Spring Hill, Tenn. (Independence)
36	Janari Dean	S	5-11	190	Fr.	HS	Batesville, Miss. (South Panola)
36	Jay Jimison	CB	6-0	195	Jr.	RS	Forest, Miss. (Copiah-Lincoln [Miss.] CC)
37	Tucker Day	P	6-0	210	Jr.	2L	Brentwood, Tenn. (Brentwood)
37	Haze Greer	WR	6-3	210	RFr.	RS	Centreville, Miss. (Centreville Academy)
38	Fred Peters	S	5-10	210	Sr.	1L	Columbia, Miss. (Jones College)
40	Erroll Thompson	LB	6-1	250	Sr.	3L	Florence, Ala. (Florence)
41	Colby Cox	LS	6-1	240	Fr.	HS	Woodstock, Ga. (Woodstock)
41	Cody Swanson	S	6-0	190	RFr.	RS	Madison, Miss. (Madison-Ridgeland Academy)
42	Marquiss Spencer	DE	6-4	300	Sr.	3L	Greenwood, Miss. (Greenwood)



## 2020 ROSTERS

### NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown (Previous School)
43	Paul Blackwell	LS	5-10	205	Sr.	1L	Pascagoula, Miss. (Mississippi Gulf Coast CC)
44	Jett Johnson	LB	6-2	235	So.	SQ	Tupelo, Miss. (Tupelo)
45	Devon Robinson	DT	6-4	300	So.	SQ	Memphis, Tenn. (Whitehaven)
47	Jace Christmann	K	6-0	195	Sr.	3L	Houston, Texas (Memorial)
47	Camp Tice	WR	6-4	195	RFr.	RS	Hattiesburg, Miss. (Presbyterian Christian School)
48	Scott Goodman	K	5-10	200	Jr.	2L	Brandon, Miss. (Brandon)
49	Aidan Martin	K	6-1	215	Fr.	HS	Houston, Texas (Klein Cain)
51	Reed Buys	OL	6-4	285	So.	JC	Vicksburg, Miss. (Jones College)
51	R.J. Jennings	LB	6-0	235	Sr.	1L	Birmingham, Ala. (Lindsey Wilson College)
52	Grant Jackson	OL	6-6	325	Fr.	HS	Brookhaven, Miss. (West Lincoln)
52	Kobe Jones	DE	6-4	260	Sr.	2L	Starkville, Miss. (Starkville)
53	Joseph Garner	LB	6-3	220	So.	SQ	Ridgeland, Miss. (St. Andrew's Episcopal)
54	Rodney Groce Jr.	LB	6-2	245	Fr.	HS	Pleasant Grove, Ala. (Pleasant Grove)
55	Greg Eiland	OL	6-8	335	Sr.	3L	Philadelphia, Miss. (Philadelphia)
56	Dareuan Parker	OL	6-4	355	Sr.	3L	Olive Branch, Miss. (DeSoto Central)
57	Cole Smith	OL	6-3	305	So.	SQ	Pontotoc, Miss. (LSU)
58	Kameron Jones	OL	6-5	305	So.	SQ	Starkville, Miss. (Starkville)
60	William Ryland	OL	6-2	275	RFr.	RS	Fairhope, Ala. (Fairhope)
62	Matt Stanic	OL	6-4	345	Sr.	SQ	Madison, Miss. (Madison Central)
63	LaQuinston Sharp	OL	6-3	300	Sr.	1L	Columbus, Miss. (East Mississippi CC)
65	JT Zakkak	OL	6-3	285	Fr.	HS	Gulfport, Miss. (Gulfport)
67	Charles Cross	OL	6-5	290	RFr.	RS	Laurel, Miss. (Laurel)
68	Hayes Hammond	LS	5-10	190	Fr.	HS	Tupelo, Miss. (Tupelo)
69	Kwatrivous Johnson	OL	6-7	315	So.	SQ	Greenwood, Miss. (Greenwood)
70	Ramble Johnson	OL	6-4	275	Jr.	JC	Purvis, Miss. (Northwest Mississippi CC)
71	James Jackson	OL	6-3	330	Jr.	2L	Pascagoula, Miss. (Pascagoula)
72	Brandon Cunningham	OL	6-4	300	RFr.	RS	St. Martin, Miss. (St. Martin)
75	Calvin McMillian	OL	6-5	325	Fr.	HS	Houston, Miss. (Houston)
78	Scott Lashley	OL	6-7	315	Sr.	GTR	West Point, Miss. (Alabama)
80	Jay Banks	WR	6-2	225	Sr.	TR	Olive Branch, Miss. (Louisville)
81	Lideatrick Griffin	WR	5-10	175	Fr.	HS	Philadelphia, Miss. (Philadelphia)
82	Rufus Harvey	WR	5-10	160	Fr.	HS	Starkville, Miss. (Starkville)
83	Quinton Torbor	WR	6-1	195	RFr.	RS	Destrehan, La. (Destrehan)
84	Dontea Jones	WR	6-4	230	Sr.	3L	McCool, Miss. (Jireh (N.C.) Prep)
85	Austin Williams	WR	6-3	200	Jr.	2L	Ocean Springs, Miss. (Ocean Springs)
86	Jordon Hoyer	WR	6-0	200	RJr.	RS	Fairburn, Ga. (Creekside)
87	Bo Brooks	WR	6-1	185	So.	JC	Madison, Miss. (Copiah-Lincoln [Miss.] CC)
88	Powers Warren	WR	6-3	235	Jr.	1L	Minnetonka, Minn. (Minnetonka Senior)
89	Carson Banks	WR	5-10	165	Jr.	JC	Brandon, Miss. (Northeast Mississippi CC)
89	Brodie King	WR	5-10	185	Jr.	JC	Biloxi, Miss. (Jones College)
90	Armondous Cooley	DT	6-2	305	Fr.	HS	Shubuta, Miss. (Wayne County)
91	Nolan McCord	K	6-0	170	Fr.	HS	Lilburn, Ga. (Parkview)
92	Jevon Banks	DE	6-2	285	Fr.	HS	Olive Branch, Miss. (Olive Branch)
93	Cameron Young	DT	6-3	320	So.	1L	Crosby, Miss. (Franklin County)
94	Jaden Crumedy	DT	6-5	300	So.	1L	Hattiesburg, Miss. (Oak Grove)
95	Allen Love	DT	6-2	285	So.	SQ	Birmingham, Ala. (Louisville)
97	Reed Bowman	P	6-0	200	Sr.	SQ	Magnolia, Texas (Texas Tech)

### ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.
21	Jo'quavious Marks	RB
49	Aidan Martin	K
91	Nolan McCord	K
75	Calvin McMillian	OL
5	Osirus Mitchell	WR
29	C.J. Morgan	S
7	Marcus Murphy	S
17	Aaron Odum	DE
56	Dareuan Parker	OL
0	JaVonta Payton	WR
38	Fred Peters	S
22	Nathan Pickering	DT
12	Shawn Preston Jr.	S
13	Kyziah Pruitt	WR
23	J.P. Purvis	S
21	Jaylon Reed	CB
30	Decamerion Richardson	CB
45	Devon Robinson	DT
2	Will Rogers	QB
8	Brandon Ruiz	K
9	De'Monte Russell	LB
60	William Ryland	OL
31	Malik Sanders	CB
63	LaQuinston Sharp	OL
57	Cole Smith	OL
42	Marquiss Spencer	DE
11	Geor'quarius Spivey	WR
62	Matt Stanic	OL
19	Justin Stolberg	QB
41	Cody Swanson	S
40	Erroll Thompson	LB
32	Cam Threatt	CB
47	Camp Tice	WR
34	Sherman Timbs	DE
83	Quinton Torbor	WR
31	Jaden Walley	WR
16	Allan Walters	QB
88	Powers Warren	WR
14	Nathaniel Watson	LB
33	Omni Wells	RB
2	Tyrus Wheat	LB
13	Tyler Williams	CB
85	Austin Williams	WR
20	Trip Wilson	WR
22	Lee Witherspoon	RB
93	Cameron Young	DT
65	JT Zakkak	OL

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0	JaVonta Payton	ja-VON-tay
3	Aaron Brute	BREW-lay
4	Izuchukwu King Ani	Iz-ooH-choo-kwoo
5	Osirus Mitchell	o-SIGH-russ
8	Brandon Ruiz	REEZ
9	De'Monte Russell	DUH-mahn-tay
11	Geor'quarius Spivey	ja-QUARE-ee-US

13	Kyziah Pruitt	KUH-zeye-uh
21	Jo'quavious Marks	jo-QUAY-vee-US
27	Esaias Furdge	ee-ZAH-yahs
32	Cam Threatt	threet
40	Erroll Thompson	AIR-uhl
47	Jace Christmann	CHRIST-man
55	Greg Eiland	island

56	Dareuan Parker	DARE-ee-un
69	Kwatrivous Johnson	Kwa-TRAY-vee-us
77	Cordavien Suggs	COR-day-vee-uhn
81	Lideatrick "Tulu" Griffin	TOO-loo
84	Dontea Jones	DAHN-tay