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BEARS FOOTBALL REPORT: Game #6

Missouri State Bears vs. #22 Illinois State Redbirds

2:07 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 6, Plaster Field (16,300, FieldTurf), Springfield, Mo.

Gateway Football Conference Scoreboard

Team	GFC	Overall
Northern Iowa	1-0	5-0
Southern Illinois	1-0	5-0
Youngstown State	1-0	4-1
Western Illinois	0-0	3-2
Missouri State	0-1	3-2
Illinois State	0-1	2-3
Indiana State	0-1	0-5

Last Week's Results

*Youngstown State 49, Missouri State 21 *Southern Illinois 72, Indiana State 10 North Dakota State 41, Western Illinois 28 *UNI 23, Illinois State 13

Upcoming Games

Saturday, Oct. 6

*Illinois State at Missouri State, 2:07
*Western Illinois at Indiana State, 12 ET
*Youngstown State at Southern Illinois, 2:30

Saturday, Oct. 13

*Missouri State at Western Illinois, 1:05 *Indiana State at Illinois State, 1:30 Southern Utah at Youngstown State, 4 ET *Southern Illinois at UNI, 4:05

Saturday, Oct. 20

*Missouri State at Southern Illinois, 1:30
Western Kentucky at Indiana State, 2 ET
*Illinois State at Youngstown State, 4 ET
*UNI at Western Illinois, 6:05

Saturday, Oct. 27

*Indiana State at Missouri State, 1:30
*Western Illinois at Illinois State, 1:30
*Youngstown State at UNI, 4:05

Saturday, Nov. 3

*UNI at Missouri State, 1

*Youngstown State at Indiana State, 12 ET *Southern Illinois at Western Illinois, 1:05 Illinois State at North Dakota State, 6

Saturday, Nov. 10

Southeast Missouri State at Missouri State, 1
*Western Illinois at Youngstown State, 1 ET
*Illinois State at Southern Illinois, 1:30
*Indiana State at UNI, 5:05

Saturday, Nov. 17

Southern Illinois at Hampton, 12 Southern Utah at UNI, 5:05

* indicates Gateway Football Conference games; all start times Central, unless noted; all times p.m. The Missouri State football Bears hit the midpoint of their 2007 season schedule and bid to even their Gateway Football Conference record when they play host to the Illinois State Redbirds Saturday (Oct. 29) at 2:07 p.m. in Gateway action at Plaster Field.

Saturday is one of just two home games in a seven-week span from early September to late October in which Missouri State plays five of seven on the road. The Bears come home to stay Oct. 27 with their final three games at Plaster Field. After hosting Illinois State, the Bears go to Western Illinois Oct. 13 and to Southern Illinois Oct. 20 before returning home for the last three games.

Saturday's Missouri State-Illinois State game will air on Gateway Football Conference TV package with Mitch Holthus, Danan Hughes and Stephanie Follett describing the action. The game will air on FCS Atlantic (2 pm live), Fox College Sports, WYZZ (Bloomington/Normal) (2 pm live) Mediacom (Springfield) (7 pm taped) Comcast SportsNet Chicago (12 noon - Oct. 7 - taped) FSN Midwest (2 am taped - Oct. 7) FSN Midwest (12 noon - Oct. 10 - taped)

Missouri State is bidding to get back to the .500 mark in league play after a 49-21 loss Saturday at two-time defending Gateway champ and 10th-ranked Youngstown State in the conference opener for both teams. Missouri State will also be looking for its fourth straight home victory and will bid to keep the current 3-2 season standard on the win side. The Bears opened the season with wins over Divison II Missouri-Rolla (62-17) and FCS 16th-ranked Tennessee-Martin (51-44), lost 61-10 at Kansas State of the Big 12 Conference, and got a come-from-behind 42-38 home win over Central Arkansas before opening league play at Youngstown State.

Illinois State opened its season with a home loss to Drake. The Redbirds then beat Murray State and won at Eastern Illinois before dropping a 38-17 decision at Missouri. Illinois State faltered in the fourth quarter Saturday in a 23-13 home loss to pre-season Gateway fa-

2007 Bears' Schedule/Results				
Date	Opponent	Time/Result		
Aug. 30	MSU 62, Missouri-Ro	olla 17 (1-0)		
Sept. 6	MSU 51, UT Martin 4	4 (2-0)		
Sept. 15	Kansas State 61, MS	U 10 (2-1)		
Sept. 22	MSU 42, Central Ark	. 38 (3-1)		
Sept. 29	Youngstown St. 49, M	SU 21* (3-2)		
Oct. 6	Illinois State*	2:07 p.m.		
Oct. 13	at Western Illinois*	1:05 p.m.		
Oct. 20	at Southern Illinois*	1:30 p.m.		
Oct. 27	Indiana State* (Homecoming)	1:30 p.m.		
Nov. 3	Northern Iowa*	1:00 p.m.		
Nov. 10	Southeast Mo. St.	1:00 p.m.		

Home Games (bold) at Plaster Field, Springfield *indicates Gateway Football Conference games; start times are Springfield times

vorite #3Northern Iowa in the league opener for both clubs. ISU comes to Springfield Saturday with a 2-3 season record.

Illinois State's program has shown steady improvement in recent years under coach Denver Johnson. The Panthers last year finished 9-4 and were tied for second in the GFC at 5-2. Illinois State got a first-round NCAAFCS playoff win over Eastern Illinois last year before losing to Youngstown State in the quarterfinals. Illinois State was ranked eighth in the final 2006 FCS poll.

Missouri State has six home games in 2007, including three home league games. In contrast, however, to the last five years, the Bears have non-conference play after their league schedule begins. MSU closes its campaign at home Nov. 10 vs. Southeast Missouri State. That addition to the schedule came when Western Kentucky left the Gateway after the 2006 season for the Sun Belt Conference.

The Bears have nothing but day games the rest of the season after opening with four straight at night and a 5 p.m. start Saturday at Youngstown State.

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Radio-TV-Internet-Media Notes

Radio Network: All Bears games are broadcast on the 11-station Missouri State Football Radio Network, originated by flagship station KTXR (101.3 FM) in Springfield. Art Hains and Scott Opfer will describe the action. *The 2007 Network:*

Ava KKOZ (1430 AM and 92.1 FM)
Cabool KOZX (98.1 FM)
El Dorado Springs KESM (105.5 FM)
Jefferson City KJMO (97.5 FM)
Kansas City KCWJ (1030 AM)
Monett KKBL (95.9 FM)
Poplar Bluff KLID (1340 AM)
St. Louis
Sparta, III
SpringfieldKTXR (101.3 FM)
WashingtonKSLQ (104.5 FM)
Washington KWMO (1350 AM)
Willow Springs KUKU (100.3 FM)

The radio broadcast is available on the **Internet** (http://www.radiospringfield.com) through services arranged by KTXR.

Mediacom of Springfield (*MCC-14*) televises five 2007 Missouri State home games with Don West and Mike McClure describing the action. Telecasts air Saturday, Sunday and Monday after each game in a schedule announced by Mediacom and the games are fed via satellite to cable systems in more than 100 communities in Missouri, Iowa, Kansas, Illinois and Kentucky on the Missouri State Football Television Network.

The Illinois State game Oct. 6 will be a part of the six-game Gateway Football Conference TV package for 200. The games air on Fox Sports Net Midwest (FSN) and Fox Sports Net Southwest.

The Terry Allen Show is on Mediacom (*MCC-14*) in Springfield each Sunday-Monday-Tuesday from Sept. 2 to Nov. 12. The show features the MSU head coach and is hosted by Don West. Air time in Springfield is 9 p.m., and the show also airs on the Missouri State Football TV Network.

Terry Allen's Radio Show airs primarily on Tuesdays on KWTO (98.7 FM) at 7:00 p.m. from Trolley's Restaurant and is hosted by KTXR sports director Art Hains.

Missouri State Football Luncheons: Terry Allen will speak at the Bears' Football Lunches each Friday (first week is Aug. 29, Wednesday) prior to home games during the season at 12 noon at Springfield Brewing Company, 301 South Market. Luncheon cost is \$8.00 per person and the public is invited to attend. Luncheons are Aug. 29, Sept. 21, Oct. 5, Oct. 26, Nov. 2 and Nov. 9.

The GFC Teleconference takes place each Wednesday 10-11 a.m. with each league coach available in a five-minute time slot. Coach Allen's weekly availability is at 10:15 a.m. The teleconference runs from Sept. 5 through Nov. 14 and may be accessed by calling (913) 312-6696.

Information on all Missouri State intercollegiate sports is available on the World Wide Web at:

www.missouristatebears.com

The Coaches: Terry Allen (UNI, '76) is 5-11 with the Bears in his second year at Missouri State; 100-70 overall in his 15th year as a college head coach. He's 7-3 vs. ISU. (Allen detailed bio and Missouri State and Gateway win lists attached).

Denver Johnson (Tulsa, '81) is 43-42 in his seventh year at ISU and 64-54 in his 11th year overall as a college head coach. Johnson is 6-1 vs. MSU.

Series record: Illinois State leads, 14-12 with one tie. ISU has had much the better of things in recent years with five straight wins and seven wins in its last eight meetings with Missouri State. MSU last won vs. the Redbirds at home in 2001. MSU had won eight straight and 11 of 13 from Illinois State (1986-98) before the Redbirds made a decisive turnaround in the series. The series began in 1971 with four meetings, all ISU wins, and resumed in 1983. (series scores attached).

Affiliation: Missouri State is in its 26th Division I FCS season and 22nd Gateway Football Conference year. MSU was in the NCAA College Division from 1956 until Division II was established in 1974. League affiliations have included the Missouri Intercollegiate Athletic Association (1924-81), Mid-Continent (1981-84) and Gateway (1985-05). Missouri State has had winning seasons 11 of 25 FCS years, and reached FCS playoffs in 1989 and 1990. The 1989 and 1990 seasons included the Bears' only league (Gateway) titles since moving to FCS. The 2005 season marks the 23rd year for Gateway competition in what has become the top FCS league in the country. The Gateway:

- Has had two or more teams in the FCS playoffs each of the last 12 years.
- Has had a playoff semifinalist eight of the last 11 years.
- Is the only FCS league in which every league member has had at least one playoff appearance.
- Owns national titles from Youngstown State (1997) and Western Kentucky (2002).
- Became the first FCS league to put four teams in the playoffs the same year (2003).
- Had both the I-AA National Coach of the Year (Jerry Kill of SIU) and the I-AA National Player of the Year (Boomer Grigsby of Illinois State) in 2004.

Missouri State All-Time: Missouri State is in its 96th football season with a mark of 423-422-40 (.5001) for 885 games. The Bears first played in 1909 and have had a team all but three years since. MSU has had 45 winning seasons, 47 losing seasons and three .500 years. The longest MSU string of consecutive winning seasons is five, done three times (1947-51, '62-66, '89-93). The Bears' most recent winning seasons were 2001 and 2004.

Missouri State in 2006: In their first year under head coach Terry Allen, the Bears finished with a 2-9 season record and were 1-6 in Gateway Football Conference play. Missouri State beat Southwest Baptist in its home opener and clipped GFC foe Western Illinois in the home season finale for the team's only wins. Missouri State lost four games by a touchdown or less and dropped another contest by 10 points. Two seniors--free safety Mike Radon and offensive tackle Justin Williamson--shared the football Coors Player of the Year honor. Radon led the team in interceptions and was third in total tackles while Williamson was the line's top graded blocker throughout the campaign. The Bears began the year with an entirely new quarterback corps and had injuries at that position to compound the inexperience. Matt Krapfl and Tyler Horner, both redshirt freshmen in 2006, wound up starting four games each as the team's signal-caller. Missouri State had 25 seniors on its ballclub in 2006.

NFL Bears: Missouri State has two players on current NFL rosters, including OLJason Whittle (Bills) and LS/TE Brad St. Louis (Bengals). Whittle spent four years with the Giants, including an appearance in the 2002 Super Bowl. He spent a year with Tampa Bay and two more with the Giants before moving to Minnesota last year and Buffalo this year. St. Louis is in his eighth year with the Bengals.

Personnel: The Bears are young. Half the 90 squad members hadn't played in a Missouri State game before UMR, and 29 of the Bears who played vs. UMR were in their first game for Missouri State, including 24 freshmen. Of the rookies, 14 were redshirt freshmen and 10 were true freshmen. There are 26 lettermen back from last season. QB Matt Krapfl, QB Tyler Horner, OC David Tillman, WR Jeremy Nicholson, WR Chris Geisz, FB Jeff Sargent and WR Eric Davis on offense and LB Jeron Poole and CB Marcus Colbert on defense are returning regulars from last year. Geisz has moved from wide receiver to the defensive secondary this year.

Captains: The Bears' 2007 captains include LB Jeron Poole, CB Marcus Colbert, TB Gerald Davis and OC David Tillman. All are seniors.

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Missouri State Head Coach Terry Allen

Terry Allen has begun his rebuilding job with Missouri State football and looks forward to the challenge of the changing landscape of the Gateway Football Conference and Football Championship Subdivision as he sets a course

to make the Bears a competitive factor at both levels.

Allen has wrapped two solid recruiting years around his first season with the Bears in a league his University of Northern Iowa teams domi-



nated for nearly a decade, and will work to build a personnel base to make Missouri State a contender in the nation's best FCS league.

Allen, who followed more than 20 years of success as player and coach at UNI with five seasons as head coach at Kansas, came to Missouri State in 2006 after four years as associate head coach, tight ends coach and special teams coordinator at Iowa State. Allen is the 19th head coach in the 96-year history of Missouri State football.

In his first year at MSU, Allen and his staff went through a 2-9 season on a squad top-heavy with seniors trying to adapt to new systems on offense and defense. The Bears dropped four games by a TD or less and another by 10 points. With a year under their belts, Allen is ready to move forward to match the type of success he enjoyed at UNI.

Allen's eight years as UNI head coach from 1989 to 1996 have him among the all-time leaders even by the lofty standards the Panther program has had. Allen has the highest winning percentage of any UNI coach who's guided the Panthers for more than one season.

When Allen left UNI in 1996, his 75-26 (.743) record made him the winningest coach in Gateway history. His Panther teams won or shared Gateway titles in 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995 and 1996 and competed in the NCAAI-AA playoffs his last seven seasons at UNI, advancing to the national semifinals in 1992 and 1996. He was Gateway Coach of the Year five times his last six seasons at UNI.

A native of Iowa City, Iowa, Allen was a quarterback at West High School and was the starting UNI quarterback for three seasons. After graduating from UNI in 1979, Allen worked on the UNI staffs of Sheriff, Mudra and Earle Bruce through 1988.

Allen's teams were 20-33 in five seasons at Kansas. His tenure there saw wins over nationally-ranked Colorado, a win over Oklahoma and three wins over arch-rival Missouri.

Moving to Iowa State in 2002, Allen renewed a long relationship with Cyclone head coach Dan McCarney. McCarney and Allen grew up together in Iowa City and McCarney was Allen's prep track coach at Iowa City West. In Allen's four seasons at ISU, the Cyclones went to three bowl games.

Allen and his wife, Lynn, have three children; Angela, Chase and Alex.

BruiNotes:

- The Bears' 3-2 record includes the four-point win Sept. 22 over Central Arkansas and a seven-point win at Tennessee-Martin Sept. 6. Last year Missouri State was 1-5 in games decided by 10 points or less.
- The loss at Youngstown State Sept. 29 was the Bears' sixth loss in six trips to Stambaugh Stadium and Missouri State is now 1-11 all-time against the Penguins.
- TB Gerald Davis and QB Cody Kirby each ran for a TD at Youngstown State. Through five games, Davis and Kirby have scored seven TDs each. Last year's individual leader for the 11-game season was Jeremy Nicholson with four touchdowns.
- WR Jeremy Nicholson has had four career games with more than the 51 yards receiving he had at YSU Sept. 29, but his seven catches vs. the Penguins set a new career high. Nicholson scored the Bears' third TD at YSU, marking his seventh career scoring reception. (career receiving statistics attached).
- The Bears' Sept. 15 game at Kansas State was played before a crowd of 46,825 at Bill Snyder Family Stadium. That marks the third largest crowd ever to watch a Bears' football game, topped only by Missouri State's visits to Arkansas in 2001 and 2005. The Bears' top 15 and 18 of their top 21 all-time crowds have come against FBS teams. The 19,617 at YSU Sept. 29 was the 17th largest MSU crowd.
- With their 3-2 start, the Bears are getting support in FCS polls for the first time in many years, but have fallen from the top 40 after last week's loss. The Bears' point totals had them ranged from 28th to 38th in four polls Sept. 24, 29th to 39th Sept. 17 and between 25th and 34th Sept. 10.
- The Bears started 2-0 with a lot of offense on Thursdays. The Bears' win over No. 16 Tennessee-Martin was their first win over a ranked FCS team since a home win over Northern Iowa in 2005. It was also the Bears' first road win since Oct. 16, 2004, and ended a string of 11 straight Missouri State losses away from Springfield. The Bears were also 2-0 to start a season for the first time since 2004, and the Bears owned the longest active win streak in the Gateway at three before losing at Kansas State.
- At 3-2, the Bears have topped their win total of all of last year in a 2-9 season. They went into Gateway play with

- just one non-conference loss for the sixth time in the past seven years. The only year in which the Bears had more than one non-conference loss was 2006.
- The win over #16 Tennessee-Martin came over the defending Ohio Valley Conference champs, an NCAA Football Championship Subdivision playoff team last year. The win over Central Arkansas settled the score for a 16-14 loss at UCA last year and evened the series between the Bears and the Bears at 3-3.
- The offensive free-for-all at UTM took three and a half hours to complete and marked the fifth highest combined point total for two teams in a game in the 96-year, 882-game history of Missouri State football. It was the most points an MSU team has ever allowed in a victory, the most a UTM team has ever scored in a loss, and it was the highest point total for a Bear ballclub in a game since . . . 62 against Missouri-Rolla the previous week. It was the first time the Bears have put 50-point games back-to-back since 1978 and also the most points MSU has scored in consecutive games since 1978.
- The two ballclubs amassed 987 total yards between them in the contest with UTM owning a 542-435 advantage for the night but the Bears got some key stops deep in their own territory, protected the football all night and were penalized nearly 100 fewer yards than UTM.
- Offense was still the order of the day Sept. 22 against UCA. The Bears and the Bears amassed 1,052 yards, with UCA having a 562-490 edge.
- Freshman QB Cody Kirby was the Gateway Football Conference Offensive Player of the Week for the UCA game. He hit 22-of-38 passes for 247 yards and two touchdowns and carried nine times for 40 yards and three more touchdowns, including the game-winner with 21 seconds left in the fourth quarter. It was a complete game effort by Kirby in his first collegiate start. He became only the 12th Missouri State quarterback to complete 22 or more passes in a game.
- MSU guards David Arkin and Seth Reichert shared the Gateway Football Conference Offensive Lineman of the Week honor vs. UCA. Each graded out at 92 percent in blocking assignments, had nine pancakes and allowed no sacks.
- LB Jeron Poole was in on 14 tackles vs. UCA, single-game high for an MSU

player this season. LB Jeremy Dawson and CB Derek Miller were in on a dozen stops each and LB Sam Block had 10.

- Bears' senior K Nathan Stokes was named Gateway Football Conference Special Teams Player of the Week and MSU Coors Player of the Week for his performance at UTM. Stokes provided a record-tying 15 points on three field goals and six extra points against the Skyhawks. Stokes was perfect in his nine placement attempts as his 15 points tied a Missouri State single game kick scoring record set by Richard Grote in 1990 vs. Indiana State and tied by Wayne Boyer in 1996 vs. Tennessee-Martin. Stokes's three field goals tied his career best in that department, matching the trio he kicked last year at Indiana State, and his 44-yarder in the final period was five yards longer than his previous career long. Stokes also had two punts for 31.5 yards and gained six yards for a first down on a fake punt.
- Defensively at UTM, the Bears got nine solo stops among 13 tackles by LB Jeron Poole while CB Derek Miller had nine stops and LB Sam Block eight.
- Gateway teams enjoyed three straight 5-2 weeks before opening conference play last weekend. The loss by Western Illinois to future Gateway member North Dakota State Sept. 29 dropped league schools to 19-10 against outside opposition this season.
- In their first two games, the Bears had the football 27 times. They scored on 18 of those possessions (15 TDs, 3 field goals), punted twice, turned the ball over three times and had the ball when time expired at the end of a half four times.
- The UMR win was the first time since 2004 Missouri State had won its season opener. MSU is 12-14 in season openers in Division I FCS. In beating the Miners, the Bears won their home opener for the 10th year in a row and are 20-4-2 in home openers in FCS. The all-time Missouri State record in season openers is 48-45-3.
- The UMR contest saw 29 Bears make their college playing debuts, including 24 freshmen. Ten of the rookies were true freshmen and the others were redshirts.
- Against Missouri-Rolla, the Bears rolled up their highest point total team since a 63-14 win over Drake in 2001.
- TB Gerald Davis tied a Missouri State record shared by nine others with

four rushing TDs in the UMR contest. He had 110 yards on 15 carries and also caught a pass to get selection as Missouri State Coors Player of the Week and the Gateway Offensive Player of the Week. With Jonathan Davis getting 113 yards on 19 carries, it was the first time two Bears had gained 100 or more yards on the ground in a contest in four seasons.

• WR Tamarkus McElvane had four catches for 139 yards vs. UMR for the most receiving yards for a Bear since 2005. It was also a career best for McElvane at Missouri State. WR Eric Davis had five receptions for 76 yards, matching his career best for receptions while setting a

new best in receiving yards for a game. McElvane came back with 10 receptions for 109 yards against UCA, marking the first time a Missouri State player had had double-digit receptions in a game since Steve Rush did it three times in 2004.

- In the UMR game, the Bears scored touchdowns on nine of their 14 possessions. They turned the pigskin over three times and had the ball at the end of each half on the other five possessions. Missouri State did not punt in the contest.
- For fans who like to get comfortable and watch offense, Bear games this year are the place to be. Sept. 29 at YSU, 70

Terry Allen Records Against All Opponents, 1989-07

All Opponents, 1989-07	
OVERALL BREAKDOWN ALL Head Coaching Totals 100 at UNI (1989-96) 75 at Kansas (1997-01) 20 at Missouri State (2006-07) 5)-70 5-26)-33 5-11
GATEWAY SCHOOLS ALL Illinois State Indiana State Missouri State Northern Iowa Southern Illinois Western Illinois Youngstown State.	7-3 7-2 8-1 0-1 8-2 8-1
OTHER SCHOOLS ALL Alabama-Birmingham. Augustana (S.D.) Baylor Boise State Boston University Cal State Northridge UCLA	3-0 1-0 1-1 0-1 0-1 1-0 0-1
Central Arkansas Cincinnati Clarion University Colorado. Eastern Illinois Eastern Washington	1-1 0-1 1-0 2-3 7-1 3-0
Ferris State Fort Hays State Idaho Idaho State Iowa Iowa State Jacksonville State	1-0 1-0 2-2 2-0 0-1 4-4 1-0
Kansas State. Lock Haven Mankato State McNeese State Marshall Missouri	1-6 1-0 0-1 4-2 0-3 3-2
Missouri-Rolla. Montana Moorhead State Morgan State Murray State Nebraska North Texas	1-0 0-1 1-0 1-0 1-0 0-5 1-0
Northern Arizona Notre Dame Oklahoma Oklahoma State St. Cloud State Sam Houston State	1-0 0-1 1-2 0-4 1-0 0-1
San Diego State Southern Methodist Southern Utah Southeast Missouri State. Southwest Baptist.	0-1 1-1 1-0 0-0 1-0

Stephen F. Austin State 1-1
Tennessee-Martin 1-0

Texas Christian			
Texas State			
Texas Tech			
Weber State			
Western Kentucky			
William and Mary 1-0			
Winona State			
Wyoming			
2007 opponents in bold face			

MSU All-Time Coaches Records

Arthur Briggs (1912-33)	76-58-11
Rich Johanningmeier (1976-85)	58-44-5
Jesse Branch (1986-94)	55-44-1
Howard Blair (1936-46)	
Randy Ball (1999-05)	
Orville Pottenger (1961-64)	
Don Cross (1969-75)	
Del Miller (1995-98)	
Jim Mentis (1965-68)	
Fred Thomsen (1949-52)	
Aldo Sebben (1956-60)	
Tommy O'Boyle (1947-48)	
Terry Allen (2006	
Bill Dellastatious (1953-54)	
Andrew McDonald (1934-37)	
Walter Langston (1909)	
Harold Stratton (1955)	
Corliss Buchanan (1910-11)	
Paul Andrews (1918)	

Gateway Career Coaching Records

Coach, School	Years	Hcrd.*
Randy Ball, WIU-MSU	1990-05	98-83-1
Terry Allen, UNI-MSU	1989-96, 06-	80-37
Don Patterson, WIU	1999-	58-39
Mark Farley, UNI	2001-	56-24
Jesse Branch, MSU	1986-94	55-44-1
Dennis Raetz, INSU	1986-97	55-78
Bob Spoo, EIU	1987-95	52-49-1
Jerry Kill, SIU	2001-	48-30
Jon Heacock, YSU	2001-	47-28
Denver Johnson, ILSU	2000-	43-42
Jim Tressel, YSU	1997-00	40-13
Jim Heacock, ILSU	1988-95	37-49-2
Bruce Craddock, WIU	1985-89	32-23
Dave Elson, WKU	2003-06	30-17
Mike Dunbar, UNI	1997-00	29-15
Darrell Mudra, UNI	1985-87	28-9-1
Todd Berry, ILSU	1996-99	24-24
Tim McGuire, INSU	1998-04	24-55
Del Miller, MSU	1995-98	21-23
Jack Harbaugh, WKU	2001-02	20-7
Al Molde, EIU	1985-86	17-7
Bob Smith, SIU	1987-93	17-38
Bob Otolski, ILSU	1985-87	14-15-2
Ray Dorr, SIU	1985-87	14-19
Jan Quarless, SIU	1997-00	14-30
Shawn Watson, SIU	1994-96	11-22
Rich Johanningmeier, MSU	1985	6-4-1
Earle Bruce, UNI	1988	5-6
Rich Rhoades, SIU	1988	4-7
Lou West, INSU	2005-	1-25

*Records include years since each team was affiliated with Gateway Conference; rankings are by wins as a Gateway coach; current coaches are in italics; records include all games. points were scored in 3 hours. Sept. 22 vs. UCA, 80 points were scored in 3 hours, 20 minutes. Sept. 15 at Kansas State, 71 points were scored in 3 hours, 31 minutes. Sept. 6 at UTM, 95 points were scored in 3 hours, 25 minutes. And, the season opener vs. Missouri-Rolla saw 79 points scored in a speedy two hours, 50 minutes. MSU and its opponents have accounted for 63 scoring plays (52 TDs, 11 FGs), an average of 12.5 scores a game. In 2006, The Bears' and their foes averaged 7.6 scoring plays over the 11-game season.

- And, for all the offensive fireworks, the games haven't been full of giveaways. In five games, the Bears have turned the ball over six times (4 int., 2 fum.) and their combined foes have surrendered it six times (3 int., 3 fum.)
- With 28 points in the first quarter vs. UMR, the Bears tied the MSU record for points in the first quarter of a game, set in 1992 vs. Washburn.
- The Bears' 690 total yards vs. UMR tied the third best single game total on record at MSU. The 35 first downs were within one of a single game team record.

2007 Bears' Pronunciation Guide

Coach Sean Coughlin	COFF-lun
Coach Andy Follett	fuh-LETT
Coach Derrick LeBlanc	Iuh-BLAHN
Coach D.J. Vokolek	VO-ko-leck
Cedric Alvis	SEE-drick AL-vus
Chris Brehmer	BRAY-merr
Colby Broadnax	BROAD-nacks
Kevaughn Brown	KEY-von
Brent Chojnacki	shun-AH-kee
Grant Detwiler	DETT-why-lur
Clayton Dickehut	DICK-ee-hoot
Jacob Duron	DURE-ahn
Chris Farrar	FUH-rarr
Justin Fuselier	FEW-suh-leer
Chris Geisz	rhymes with "ice"
Matt Krapfl	rhymes with "raffle"
Casey LaBrue	
Bryan Loverher	LOVE-er-her
Jason Muehlheausler	MULE-house-lur
Andy O'cheltree	OH-chul-tree
Seth Reichert	RYE-curt
Waylon Richardet	ruh-CHAR-day
Jacob Spavital	SPAV-uh-tall
Johnny Wacker	"Walker"

Top All-Time MSU Football Crowds

- 66,424, MSU at Arkansas, 9/3/05
- 53,946, MSU at Arkansas, 9/2/01
- 46.835, MSU at Kansas State, 9/15/07
- 42,152, MSU at Oklahoma State, 9/13/03
- 41,393, MSU at Oklahoma State, 9/2/06
- 40,500, MSU at Kansas, 9/14/02
- 40,104, MSU at Oklahoma State, 9/11/93
- 37,500, MSU at Kansas, 9/1/01
- 37,350, MSU at Oklahoma State, 9/16/95 33,500, MSU at Oklahoma State, 8/31/96
- 31,124, MSU at Tulsa, 8/31/91
- 25.007. MSU at Tulsa. 9/2/99 24,332, MSU at Tulsa, 9/5/98
- 22,590, MSU at Tulsa, 9/8/90 21.856, MSU at Tulsa, 10/10/92
- 20,000, MSU at Jackson State, 10/11/86
- 17. 19,617, MSU at Youngstown State, 9/29/07
- 17,980, MSU at Tulsa, 9/25/04
- 17,659, MSU at Nevada-Las Vegas, 9/1/90
- 17,349, MSU at Tulsa, 11/12/94
- 16,984, MSU at Youngstown State, 10/4/03 16,672, Pittsburg State at MSU, 8/28/97

2007 Player Notes

Missouri State Co-Captains

Senior CB Marcus Colbert Senior TB Gerald Davis Senior LB Jeron Poole Senior OC David Tillman

Missouri State Coors Players of the Week

8/30, Missouri-Rolla	TB Gerald Davis
9/6, Tennessee Martin	K/P Nathan Stokes
9/15, Kansas State	QB Cody Kirby
9/22, Central Arkansas	
9/29, Youngstown State	

Missouri State Gateway Players of the Week

	TB Gerald Davis
	OG David Arkin
	ec. TeamsK/P Nathan Stokes
	QB Cody Kirby
	OG David Arkin/OG Seth Reichert

Missouri State Team Players of the Week

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8/30, Missouri-Rolla	
Offense	
Defense	
Special Teams	
Offensive Scout	
Defensive Scout	
Offensive Line	OG David Arkin
9/6, Tennessee-Martin	
Offense	OG David Arkin
Defense	DT Chris Brehmer
Special Teams	K/P Nathan Stokes
Offensive Scout	TB Miguel Warren
Defensive Scout	DT Mikel Ruder
Offensive Line	OG Seth Reichert
9/15, Kansas State	
Offense	TB Kingjack Washington
Defense	
Defensive Scout	LB Jarryd Horn
Offensive Scout	WR Adrian Taylor
Special Teams	
Offensive Line	
9/22. Central Arkansas	
Offense	OB Cody Kirby
Defense	
Defensive Scout	
Offensive Scout	
Special Teams	
Offensive Line	
9/29, Youngstown State	OG OCHI FICICIOTE
Offense	WP Joromy Nicholcon
Defense	
Defensive Scout	
Offensive Scout	
Special Teams	
Offensive Line	
	OG David Arkin

Missouri State Record **Update, Active Players**

Extra Points Scored, Game

- 9. Jan Stahle, 11/13/76 vs. Lincoln
- 9, Richard Grote, 9/12/92 vs. Washburn
- 9, Brian Long, 11/3/01 vs. Drake
- 8, Danny Gasser, 10/5/85 vs. Truman St.
- 8, Richard Grote, 10/19/91 vs. Indiana St.
- 8, Travis Brawner, 11/13/99 vs. UT-Martin 8, Nathan Stokes, 8/30/07 vs. Missouri-Rolla

Points Scored, Placekicker, Game

- 15, Richard Grote, 9/15/90 vs. Indiana St.
- 15, Wayne Boyer, 9/21/96 vs. UT Martin 15, Nathan Stokes, 9/6/07 vs. UT Martin
- 14, Jan Stahle, 9/16/78 vs. Pittsburg State
- 14, Wayne Boyer, 9/14/96 vs. Truman St.

Touchdowns Rushing, Game

- 4, Louis Stark, 9/24/27 vs. SW Baptist
- 4, Tommy Burns, 10/1/55 vs. Emporia St.
- Cornelius Perry, 10/31/64 vs. UM-Rolla
- 4, Tom Herman, 10/20/73 vs. UM-Rolla 4, Greg Lawson, 11/9/74 vs. Lincoln
- 4, Bill Hedgepath, 11/14/81 vs. Lincoln
- 4, Derek Jensen, 11/7/98 vs. Illinois State
- 4, Zach Dechant, 9/21/02 vs. SE Mo. St.
- Cody Pratt, 8/28/03 vs. East Central
- 4, Gerald Davis, 8/30/07 vs. Missouri-Rolla

Highest Punting Average, Season 45.7 yards, Pat Hogan, 1965

- 42.8 yards, Nathan Stokes, 2006
- 41.9 yards, Wayne Boyer, 1996 41.3 yards, Chris Hurst, 1994
- 41.1 yards, Chris Hurst, 1995
- 41.1 vards, Travis Brawner, 1999

Longest Punt Return

88, Eric Davis, 9/16/06 vs. Central Arkansas

- Chuck Calhoun, 10/12/91 vs. Western III.
- 70, Michael Sparks, 11/1/03 vs. Indiana St.
- 67, Chuck Calhoun, 9/22/90 vs. Austin Peay
- 66, Jeff Hewitt, 9/18/99 vs. Henderson St.
- 64. Oniai Bryant, 11/13/99 vs. UT-Martin 61, Bill Donegan, 11/10/73 vs. Northwest Mo.
- 59, Steven Rush, 9/18/04 vs. Union
- 53, Phillip Collins, 10/29/88 vs. Eastern III.

Return Touchdowns, Season

- 2, Cornelius Perry, 1964
- Cornelius Perry, 1965
- 2. Ken Braden, 1987
- 2, Tony Gilbert, 1987
- 2, Jason Sykes, 1997
- 2. Isaac Harvin, 1998
- 2, Darryl Robinson, 2002
- Steven Rush, 2003
- 2. Eric Davis, 2006

Points Allowed, Winning Game

- 44. 9/6/07 (MSU 51. UT Martin 44) 42, 9/6/97 (MSU 47, Jacksonville State 42)
- 42, 11/7/98 (MSU 49, Illinois State 42)
- 37, 10/28/72 (MSU 41, Eastern Illinois 37)

Yards Gained Total Offense, Game

- 752, 9/10/88 vs. Missouri Southern
- 691, 11/3/01 vs. Drake 690, 10/5/85 vs. Truman St
- 690, 8/30/07 vs. Missouri-Rolla
- 674, 9/30/78 vs. Northwestern Oklahoma
- 636, 10/7/78 vs. Lincoln

Career Stats for Active Players

Jeremy Nicholson Receiving at MSU:					
Year	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	TD	
2004	11-1	10	155	0	
2005	10-5	15	187	2	
2006	11-4	31	448	4	
2007	5-5	9	72	1	
Totals	37-15	65	862	7	
Tamarkus McElvane Receiving at MSU:					
Year	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	TD	
2006	11-8	25	351	1	
2007	5-5	19	352	3	
Totals	16-13	44	703	4	
Eric D	Davis Rece	iving at N	ISU:		

LIICL	avis nece	iviliy at i	nso.				
Year	G-GS	Rec.	Avg.	TD			
2006	11-3	29	332	1			
2007	5-5	23	269	1			
Totals	16-8	52	601	2			
Clay Harbor Possiving at MSU:							

Year	G-GS	Rec.	Yds.	TD
2006	11-2	6	73	1
2007	5-5	14	221	1
Totals	16-7	20	294	2
Geral	d Davis Rı	ıshina at	MSII:	

Geral	d Davis R	ushing at	MSU:	
Year	G-GS	Att.	Yds.	TD
2004	11-0	2	10	0
2005	9-0	4	15	0
2006	11-4	56	275	1
2007	5-5	69	407	7
Totals	36-9	131	607	7

MSU Series Scores vs. Illinois State ISU leads, 14-12-1

ISU, 21-18 1972 ISU, 42-7 1973 ISU, 20-3 1974 ISU, 28-0

1983 ISU, 34-7 1985 Tie. 17-17

MSU, 17-16 1987 MSU. 31-15

MSU, 21-10 1988

MSU, 42-7 1990 MSU, 45-30

1991 MSU. 21-6 1992

MSU, 24-21 1993 MSU, 40-28 1994 ISU, 28-14

1995 ISU, 20-17 1996 MSU, 24-13

1997 MSU, 41-7 1998 MSU, 49-42

ISU, 46-42 1999 ISU, 40-7 2000

MSU, 48-31 2001 ISU, 30-20 2002

2004 ISU, 34-31

ISU, 48-23 2005 ISU, 38-14

Missouri State Interviews

Post-game procedures: After Missouri State home games, Coach Allen meets with his team in McDonald Arena, then returns to Plaster Field press box for a radio show, which can be heard on the press box intercom. Immediately after the radio show, Allen has a media availability in the racquetball lounge on the ground floor of the stadium west side. A member of the MSU Sports Information staff will accept Bear player interview requests from media members and bring those players to the racquetball lounge. Media members will be escorted to that area after the game for interviews. The Bears' locker room is closed to all media following the game. Visitor locker room accessibility is at the discretion of the visiting SID. For Missouri State road games, Bears' SID Mark Stillwell will assist with interview requests from media personnel.

Sundays after road games, Coach Allen will be available for interviews on the second floor of Forsythe Athletics Center at 4:40 p.m.

Players and coaches are available for interviews after practice, and those interviews should be arranged ahead of time with Sports Information. Post-practice player interview requests may be made to Sports Information by 1:00 p.m., the day the interview is desired.

Media personnel wishing interviews at times other than listed may contact Sports Information.

Football Ticket Information

The Missouri State Athletics Box Office is located at the east entrance to John Q. Hammons Student Center (Clay Avenue at Monroe Street) on the MSU campus. The box office is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday thru Friday, and until 6 p.m. after Labor Day. Prior to kickoff on home game days, ticket windows on the west side of Plaster Field are in operation. Box office phones are 836-7678 and 1-888-4767-TIX. Additional ticket outlets are in Plaster Student Union and Juanita K. Hammons Hall for the Performing Arts.

*Single Game Reserved Seats (same seating categories as season ticket locations \$14.00, \$12.00, \$10.00

* Adult Single Game General Admission

Children (ages 6 through 12) General Admission

*Homecoming single game tickets \$2.00 higher. Missouri State students are admitted free with their student ID (Zip) cards.

Saturday's tentative two-deep lineups (as of 10/1/07):

MISSOURI STATE OFFENSE

TE	84 24	Clay Harbor, 6-4, 230, So. Jeff Sargent, 6-0, 234, Jr.
LT	69 58	Kevaughn Brown, 6-4, 320, Jr. Nolan Hankins, 6-6, 330, Fr.
LG	76 75	Seth Reichert, 6-4, 313, Jr. Cameron Hawthorne, 6-7, 298, So.

David Tillman, 6-3, 285, Sr. ОС 73 72 Dylan Hart, 6-1, 320, So.

David Arkin, 6-5, 281, Fr. RG 77 51 Casey LaBrue, 6-5, 265, Fr.

RT 66 Mark Graf, 6-5, 295, Jr. 78 Jacob Duron, 6-5, 295, Fr.

WR 1 Tamarkus McElvane, 6-1, 187, Sr. Jared Emery, 6-3, 197, So.

QB 13 Cody Kirby, 5-11, 200, Fr. Matt Krapfl, 6-1, 216, So. 5

Gerald Davis, 6-0, 228, Sr. 6 TB

Kingjack Washington, 5-9, 165, Fr. 28

Eric Davis, 6-0, 170, Sr. WR 9 34 Brandon Oliver, 5-11, 195, Fr.

WR 80 Jeremy Nicholson, 6-2, 203, Sr. Jordan Everslev. 6-2, 191, Jr.

MISSOURI STATE DEFENSE

LE	40	Connor McDonough, 6-2, 241, So.
	42	Corv Harbor, 6-2, 242, Jr.

DT Chris Brehmer, 6-5, 270, Jr. 92 52 Waylon Richardet, 6-1, 255, Fr.

Mike Taylor, 6-4, 274, Jr. NG 68 Levi Moore, 6-3, 251, Fr.

Clayton Dickehut, 6-3, 245, Jr. RE 42 Cory Harbor, 6-2, 242, Jr.

LB 47 Jeron Poole, 6-1, 240, Sr.

Byron Hightower, 6-1, 227, Fr. 48

LB 7 Sam Block, 6-2, 224, Fr. 54 Dan Graham, 6-1, 232, Jr.

43 Jeremy Dawson, 5-11, 212, Jr. LB 23 Tony Randolph, 5-11, 195, Fr.

CB 2 Chris Farrar, 5-10, 167, Jr. Cedric Alvis, 5-8, 167, So.

СВ 27 Marcus Colbert, 5-11, 190, Sr. 12 Chris Miller, 5-10, 174, Jr.

SS 44 Roger Wright, 5-11, 193, Jr. 81 Chris Geisz. 6-2, 209, Jr.

FS 10 Derek Miller, 6-3, 190, Fr. James Cannon, 6-0, 190, Jr.

MISSOURI STATE SPECIALISTS

K Nathan Stokes, 20 Matt Hottelman 14 Nathan Stokes, 11 Jake Spavital

Hold 11 Jake Spavital, 5 Matt Krapfl LS John Mayberry, 89 Wes Miller 95

KR Eric Davis, 1 Tamarkus McElvane PR Eric Davis, 28 Kingjack Washington

| ILLINOIS STATE OFFENSE

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TE	47 42	Kedric Meredith, 6-3 • 270 • Jr. Jeremy Joynt, 6-3 • 255 • Sr.
LT	66 76	Isaiah Wiggins, 6-4 • 290 • Sr. Chris Riley, 6-5 • 270 • Fr.
LG	65 68	Bill Speiser, 6-5 • 300 • Sr. Erik Madsen, 6-3 • 285 • Jr.
ос	61 64	Jonathan St-Pierre, 6-3 • 325 • Jr. Brad Paul, 6-4 • 275 • Fr.
RG	69 68	Joe Niklasch, 6-4 • 280 • Jr. Erik Madsen, 6-3 • 285 • Jr.
RT	78 70	Brandon Joyce, 6-5 • 310 • Sr. Michael Cross, 6-5 • 305 • Fr.
WR	86 88	Jason Horton, 6-0 • 185 • Sr. Kevett Mickle, 6-3 • 195 • Jr.
WR	10 80	Jake Rourke, 6-3 • 195 • Jr. Kelvin Chandler, 6-2 • 185 • Jr.
QB	7 12	Luke Drone, 6-2 • 210 • Sr. Kevin Brockway, 6-4 • 225 • Jr.
FB	35	Garin Harcar, 5-11 • 260 • So.

83 Dave Mordis, 6-3 • 265 • Sr.

TB 22 Geno Blow, 5-11 • 200 • So. Rafael Rice, 5-11 • 220 • Sr.

ILLINOIS STATE DEFENSE

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DE	93 44	Adam Blankenship, 6-2 • 235 • Jr. Wesley Williams, 6-1 • 240 • Jr.
DT	90 99	Dan Simnick, 6-2 • 270 • Sr. Nick Williams, 6-2 • 275 • Jr.
DT	62 91	Mike Piton, 6-2 • 275 • Fr. Dave Rivas, 6-3 • 255 • Fr.
DE	57 96	Brandon Wilson, 6-2 • 220 • So. Babtunde Soyebo, 6-5 • 240 • So.
SLB	48 45	Pat Cucci, 6-1 • 240 • Jr. Kyle Siskowic, 6-1 • 225 • So.
MLB	59 50	Bill Hronec, 6-2 • 225 • Sr. Tommie Westbrook 6-0 • 235 • Fr.
WLB	6 58	Kye Stewart, 6-0 • 210 • Sr. Mark Whitaker, 6-1 • 220 • Sr.
СВ	25 24	Chris Garrett, 6-0 • 175 • So. Kelvyn Hemphill, 6-2 • 180 • Fr.
СВ	21	Jason Tate, 5-11 • 175 • So.

ILLINOIS STATE SPECIALISTS

Kelvyn Hemphill, 6-2 • 180 • Fr.

Jesse Caesar, 5-10 • 190 • Sr.

Casey Kociuba, 6-1 • 200 • Fr.

Tom Nelson, 6-0 • 200 • Jr.

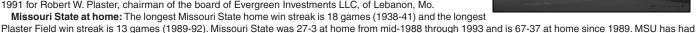
Garry Roberts, 6-2 • 210 • Sr.

Tom Nelson, 86 Jason Horton

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l	K	14	Tyler Funk
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ı	LS	71	Joe Doyle, 45 Kyle Siskowic
ı	Hold	7	Luke Drone, 16 Preston Earl
ı	KR	9	Tom Nelson, 86 Jason Horton

Robert W. Plaster Sports Complex: Home of the Bears

Missouri State football has been played at its present site since 1930, and the current stadium opened 9/19/41, with a 46-0 win over Southeastern Oklahoma State. The stadium got a facelift at its 50th birthday with addition of an artificial playing surface in 1987, all-weather running track in 1988, more seating and east side facilities in 1990, and a major west side renovation in 1991 which included an upper deck, new press box, skyboxes, souvenir and concessions stands, restrooms, racquetball courts and student activity and weight training areas. The Plaster Strength Center was added in 1998 and the stadium got new FieldTurf in 2006. The stadium was renamed in 1991 for Robert W. Plaster, chairman of the board of Evergreen Investments LLC, of Lebanon, Mo.



winning home seasons four of the past six years and was unbeaten at home in 1948, 1963, 1974, 1989 and 1992. Current home streak is three wins. Home Attendance: Missouri State has averaged more than 10,000 fans a game in 10 of the 16 seasons since the 1991 renovation nearly doubled Plaster seating capacity to 16,300. MSU has topped 50,000 in total home attendance the last 15 years in a row. Missouri State has been among NCAA Division I-AA's

top 40 schools in average home attendance each of the last 10 years, ranking 31st in 1995, 14th in 1996, 11th in 1997, 39th in 1998, 24th in 1999, 30th in 2000, 34th in 2001, 32nd in 2002, 40th in 2003, 32nd in 2004, 25th in 2005 and 34th in 2006.

2007 MISSOURI STATE FOOTBALL ROSTER

HEAD COACH: TERRY ALLEN

Assistants: D.J. Vokolek, Rob Christophel, Rob Bolks, Andy Follett, Chris Kapilovic, Derrick LeBlanc, Jamar Cain, Sean Couglin, Michael Hunter

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Birthdate	Hometown	High School			
3	Cedric Alvis*	СВ	5-8	167	So.	7/13/87	Columbia, Mo.	Hickman High		NUMERICAL ROST	ER
77	David Arkin	OG	6-5	281	Fr.	10/7/87	Wichita, Kan.	Kapaun High	NO.	NAME	POS.
17 7	Mickey Baker Sam Block	LB LB	5-11 6-2	240 224	Jr. Fr.	4/8/85 5/18/87	Quincy, Fla. Ozark, Mo.	East Gadsden High Ozark High	1	Tamarkus McElvane	WR
36	Darius Blow	СВ	5-9	187	Fr.	10/25/87	Grandview, Mo.	Grandview High	2	Chris Farrar	СВ
92	Chris Brehmer	DE	6-5	270	Jr.	4/19/86	Rock Hill, Mo.	Webster Groves High	3 4	Cedric Alvis Jared Emery	CB WR
32 69	Colby Broadnax Kevaughn Brown	CB OT	6-3 6-4	175 320	Fr. Jr.	11/14/88 8/5/85	Memphis, Tenn. Port Arthur, Texas	Fairley High Port Arthur High	5	Matt Krapfl	QB
29	James Cannon	s	6-0	210	Jr.	9/20/85	Richmond, Calif.	El Cerrito High	6	Gerald Davis	TB
74	Brent Chojnacki	oc	6-3	254	Fr.	9/21/87	St. Louis, Mo.	Hazelwood Central High	7 8	Sam Block Tyler Horner	LB QB
27 60	Marcus Colbert*** Chris Current	CB LB	5-11 5-11	190 220	Sr. Fr.	4/6/85 2/19/89	Broken Arrow, Okla. St. Louis, Mo.	Broken Arrow High Jennings High	9	Eric Davis	WR
9	Eric Davis*	WR	6-0	170	Sr.	11/18/84	Oakland, Calif.	Skyline High	10	Derek Miller	S OD/D
6	Gerald Davis***	ТВ	6-0	228	Sr.	6/6/85	St. Louis, Mo.	Pattonville High	11 12	Jacob Spavital Chris Miller	QB/P CB
33 43	Jonathan Davis	TB LB	5-10 5-11	205 212	Fr. Jr.	5/11/88 11/28/85	Tampa, Fla.	Gaither High Grandview High	13	Cody Kirby	QB
96	Jeremy Dawson** Grant Detwiler	DE	6-3	225	Fr.	8/17/87	Grandview, Mo. Tulsa, Okla.	Holland Hall High	14 15	Nathan Stokes	K/P WR
94	Clayton Dickehut	DE	6-3	245	Jr.	1/2/87	Derby, Kan.	Derby High	16	lan Starnes Jordan Eversley	WR WR
78 4	Jacob Duron Jared Emery	OT WR	6-5 6-3	295 197	Fr. So.	5/27/89 10/27/86	Springdale, Ark. Mountain Grove, Mo.	Springdale High Mountain Grove High	17	Mickey Baker	LB
16	Jordan Eversley*	WR	6-2	191	Jr.	12/24/85	Chicago, III.	Morgan Park High	18 20	Chris Geisz Matt Hottelman	CB P
2	Chris Farrar**	СВ	5-10	167	Jr.	9/30/85	St. Louis, Mo.	Ritenour High	21	Skylar Smith	s
82 31	Marco Finley Justin Fuselier	WR CB	5-6 5-10	160 175	Fr. Fr.	7/7/87 10/16/87	Kennett, Mo.	Kennett High	22	Kolby Hurt	LB
57	Bryan Garrison	LB	6-2	225	Fr.	5/12/89	Tulsa, Okla. St. Charles, Mo.	Washington High St. Charles High	23 24	Tony Randolph Jeff Sargent	S FB
18	Chris Geisz**	СВ	6-2	209	Jr.	7/26/85	St. Louis, Mo.	Lindbergh High	26	Jeran Trotter	TB
66	Mark Graf** Dan Graham**	OT	6-5	295	Jr.	1/22/86	St. Louis, Mo.	Hazelwood East High	27	Marcus Colbert	СВ
54 64	Steve Hammond	LB OT	6-1 6-4	232 288	Jr. Fr.	5/24/85 7/31/88	St. Louis, Mo. Blue Springs, Mo.	Oakville High Sherwood High	28 29	Kingjack Washington James Cannon	TB S
58	Nolan Hankins	OT	6-6	330	Fr.	5/25/89	Springdale, Ark.	Shiloh Christian Acad.	30	Travis Ribbing	ТВ
84 42	Clay Harbor*	TE DE	6-4 6-2	230 241	So.	7/2/87	Dwight, III.	Dwight High	31 32	Justin Fuselier	CB CB
42 72	Cory Harbor** Dylan Hart	OC	6-2 6-1	320	Jr. So.	11/18/85 8/5/86	Dwight, III. Houston, Mo.	Dwight High Houston High	33	Colby Broadnax Jonathan Davis	TB
75	Cameron Hawthorne	OT	6-7	298	So.	2/6/87	Mt. Vernon, III.	Mt. Vernon High	34	Brandon Oliver	WR
50	Chris Hayward*	LB	5-10	233	Sr.	11/19/84	St. Augustine, Fla.	St. Augustine High	35 36	Aaron Marciniak Darius Blow	WR CB
48 61	Byron Hightower, Jr. Brandon Hilt	LB DT	6-1 6-5	227 240	Fr. Fr.	2/22/88 1/3/88	Raytown, Mo. Ozark, Mo.	Raytown South High Ozark High	38	Stephen Johnston	TB
56	Jarryd Horn	LB	6-1	205	Fr.	8/14/88	Muskogee, Okla.	Muskogee High	39	Geoff Whitt	S
8	Tyler Horner*	QB	6-3	185	So.	2/7/87	Dayton, Ohio	Northmont High	40 41	Connor McDonough Jarrett Wright	DE CB
20 22	Matt Hottelman* Kolby Hurt	P LB	6-2 6-1	195 220	So. Fr.	7/15/86 1/20/88	O'Fallon, Mo. Boonville, Mo.	Ft. Zumwalt West High Boonville High	42	Cory Harbor	DE
45	David Ingram	LB	6-2	220	Fr.	12/20/87	Springdale, Ark.	Shiloh Christian Acad.	43	Jeremy Dawson	LB
38	Stephen Johnston	ТВ	5-11	205	Fr.	7/20/89	Arlington, Texas	Mansfield Summit High	44 45	Roger Wright David Ingram	S LB
13 5	Cody Kirby Matt Krapfl*	QB QB	5-11 6-1	200 216	Fr. So.	6/10/88 8/5/86	Rogers, Ark. Kirkwood, Mo.	Rogers High Kirkwood High	46	Waylon Richardet	DE
51	Casey LaBrue	OG	6-5	265	Fr.	10/24/88	Enid, Okla.	Enid High	47	Jeron Poole	LB
85	Bryan Loverher	TE	6-3	240	So.	6/23/87	Acworth, Ga.	Harrison High	48 49	Byron Hightower, Jr. Jimmie Strong	LB CB
35 95	Aaron Marciniak John Mayberry	WR LS/DE	5-11 6-5	190 275	Fr. Jr.	2/18/88 6/28/86	Ozark, Mo. Oceanside, Calif.	Ozark High Vista High	50	Chris Hayward	LB
40	Connor McDonough	DE DE	6-2	241	So.	10/12/86	Belton, Mo.	Rockhurst High	51 53	Casey LaBrue Nick Sanders	OG DE
1	Tamarkus McElvane*	WR	6-1	187	Sr.	7/17/85	Oakland, Calif.	McClymonds High	54	Dan Graham	LB
83 12	Devin McMiller Chris Miller	WR CB	5-9 5-10	170 174	Fr. Jr.	3/29/88 3/24/85	St. Louis, Mo. Blue Springs, Mo.	Clayton High Blue Springs High	56	Jarryd Horn	LB
10	Derek Miller	S	6-3	190	Fr.	6/27/87	Olathe, Kan.	East High	57 58	Bryan Garrison Nolan Hankins	LB OT
89	Wes Miller	TE	6-4	247	Fr.	1/18/88	St. Joseph, Mo.	Benton High	59	Johnny Wacker	LB
99 86	Levi Moore Jason Muehlheausler	DT TE	6-3 6-6	251 228	Fr. Fr.	1/10/88 3/29/88	Mountain View, Mo. St. Louis, Mo.	Liberty High Lindbergh High	60	Chris Current	LB
80	Jeremy Nicholson***	WR	6-2	203	Sr.	6/8/84	Ash Grove, Mo.	Ash Grove High	61 64	Brandon Hilt Steve Hammond	DT OT
90	Andy O'Cheltree	DE	6-3	265	Fr.	3/12/89	Monroe City, Mo.	Monroe City High	65	Bryan Young	OG
34 79	Brandon Oliver Jacob Patton	WR OT	5-11 6-5	185 299	Fr. Jr.	1/25/89 6/29/87	Arlington, Texas Carrollton, Texas	Mansfield Summit High Hebron High	66	Mark Graf	OT
88	Chad Peachy	WR	6-0	175	Fr.	4/14/89	Rogers, Ark.	Rogers High	67 68	Andrew Watts Mike Taylor	OG DT
47	Jeron Poole*	LB	6-1	240	Sr.	6/9/85	Austin, Texas	James Bowie High	69	Kevaughn Brown	ОТ
23 76	Tony Randolph Seth Reichert**	S OG	5-11 6-4	195 313	Fr. Jr.	8/24/89 12/24/85	Blue Springs, Mo. Springfield, Mo.	South High Glendale High	70 72	Charlie Thompson Dylan Hart	OT OC
30	Travis Ribbing	TB	5-11	190	Fr.	7/7/88	Farmington, Mo.	Farmington High	73	David Tillman	ос
46	Waylon Richardet	DE	6-1	255	Fr.	6/2/87	Perryville, Mo.	St. Vincent's High	74	Brent Chojnacki	ос
97 53	Mikel Ruder Nick Sanders	DT DE	6-5 6-2	265 245	Fr. Fr.	3/20/88 9/7/88	Lawrence, Kan. Webb City, Mo.	Freestate High Webb City High	75 76	Cameron Hawthorne Seth Reichert	OT OG
24	Jeff Sargent**	FB	6-0	234	Jr.	10/2/86	St. Charles, Mo.	Francis Howell High	77	David Arkin	OG
91	Travis Simmons	DT	6-2	280	Fr.	11/14/88	Mexico, Mo.	Mexico High	78	Jacob Duron	OT
21 11	Skylar Smith Jacob Spavital*	S QB/P	5-11 6-2	198 196	Fr. Jr.	6/4/87 5/1/85	Springfield, Mo. Tulsa, Okla.	Kickapoo High Union High	79 80	Jacob Patton Jeremy Nicholson	OT WR
15	lan Starnes	WR	6-5	210	Fr.	1/26/89	Springfield, Mo.	Glendale High	82	Marco Finley	WR
14	Nathan Stokes*	K/P	5-11	181	Sr.	6/20/84	Ozark, Mo.	Ozark High	83 84	Devin McMiller Clay Harbor	WR TE
49 87	Jimmie Strong Adrian Taylor	CB WR	5-10 6-3	175 160	Fr. Fr.	1/16/88 3/17/88	Texarkana, Texas Memphis, Tenn.	Texas High Fairley High	85	Bryan Loverher	TE
68	Mike Taylor	DT	6-3 6-4	274	Jr.	3/17/00 4/19/87	Colton, Calif.	Colton High	86	Jason Muehlheausler	TE
70	Charlie Thompson	OT	6-5	240	Fr.	4/7/89	St. Louis, Mo.	Parkway West High	87 89	Adrian Taylor Wes Miller	WR TE
73 26	David Tillman*** Jeran Trotter	OC TB	6-2 5-8	285 185	Sr. Fr.	2/25/86 7/29/87	St. Peters, Mo. Wichita, Kan.	Ft. Zumwalt South High Northwest High	90	Andy O'Cheltree	DE
26 59	Johnny Wacker	LB	5-8 6-1	230	Fr. Fr.	9/5/88	Columbia, Mo.	Rock Bridge High	91	Travis Simmons	DT
28	Kingjack Washington	TB	5-9	165	Fr.	10/23/88	Owasso, Okla.	Owasso High	92 94	Chris Brehmer Clayton Dickehut	DE DE
98 67	Terian Washington Andrew Watts	DE OG	6-4 6-2	230 344	Fr. So.	5/8/89 2/23/87	Pine Bluff, Ark. Springfield, Mo.	Pine Bluff High Kickapoo High	95	John Mayberry	LS/DE
39	Geoff Whitt	S	6-2 6-1	202	Fr.	6/24/87	Hamilton, Mo.	J.C. Penney High	96 97	Grant Detwiler	DE
41	Jarrett Wright	СВ	5-10	175	Fr.	5/31/89	Grandview, Mo.	Grandview High	97 98	Mikel Ruder Terian Washington	DT DE
44 65	Roger Wright* Bryan Young	S OG	5-11 6-3	193 305	Jr. Fr.	1/21/86 11/17/88	Grandview, Mo. Lee's Summit, Mo.	Grandview High North High	99	Levi Moore	DT
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Bears 62, Missouri-Rolla 17

Plaster Field, Springfield, Mo. August 30, 2007

The Missouri State Bears punched up a record-tying 28 points in the first quarter and amassed 690 total yards in rolling past the University of Missouri-Rolla Miners 62-17 in the Bears' season opener at Plaster Field. UMR fell to 0-2.

The Bears got rushing touchdowns from four different backs and three of those were true freshmen. Senior cocantain TB Gerald Davis set the tone as he tied a Missouri State record shared by nine other people with four rushing touchdowns in the contest. Rookie tailbacks Stephen Johnston and Kingjack Washington and freshman QB Cody Kirby scored once each and redshirt freshman TB Jonathan Davis and G. Davis each topped 100 yards rushing. It was the first time two Bears had gained 100 or more yards on the ground in a contest in four seasons.

G. Davis started at tailback and had 110 yards and four scores on 15 carries. Washington collected 60 yards on seven rushes. Johnston added 78 on nine carries and J. Davis was the most productive with 113 yards on 19 carries.

Operating with a no-huddle offense from a shotgun formation most of the night, the Bears were effective early through the air, then stayed on the ground most of the second half. QB Matt Krapfl hit 8-of-12 passes for 200 yards and one touchdown with Kirby hitting 5-of-8 and Tyler Horner connecting on all 3-of-3 as the trio combined for an efficient 16-of-23 for 293 aerial vards. Krapfl found WR Tamarkus McElvane on a 55-yard scoring pass early in the second period and Horner threw a nine-yard TD aerial to WR Jared Emery to open the fourth period. The 16 catches were spread among nine receivers. McElvane grabbed four for 139 yards and WR Eric Davis had five receptions for 76 yards.

After G. Davis and Washington scored the first two times the Bears had the ball, UMR's Antonio Williams returned a kickoff 94 yards for a touchdown to put the Miners on the board, G. Davis and Johnston then scored to make it 28-7 after a quarter as the Bears tied the MSU record for points in a first quarter, set in 1992 against Washburn. McElvane's long scoring reception and G. Davis's third TD made it 41-7 at halftime, and Davis scored again midway in the third period before the regulars retired for the night.

Defensively, the Bears went three units deep with LB Sam Block and LB Dan Graham coming up with pass interceptions while CB Derek Miller recovered a fumble. LB Jeron Poole and Block led the way with six tackles each. UMR was held to 206 vards in offense.

Missouri-Rolla	7	0	3	7	17
Missouri State	28	13	7	14	62

MSU -- G. Davis, 4, run (Stokes kick)

MSU -- K. Washington, 6, run (Stokes kick)

UMR -- A. Williams, 94, kickoff return (Valencia kick) MSU -- G. Davis, 2, run (Stokes kick)

MSU -- Johnston, 13, run (Stokes kick)

MSU -- McElvane, 55, pass from Krapfi (Stokes kick)

MSU -- G. Davis, 2, run (Stokes kick) MSU -- G. Davis, 44, run (Stokes kick)

UMR -- Valencia, 22, field goal

MSU -- Kirby, 1, run (Stokes kick)

MSU -- Emery, 9, pass from Horner (Stokes kick) UMR -- Binder, 4, pass from Guidry (Valencia kick) Attendance- 11,062

STATISTICS	UMR	MSU
First Downs	10	35
Rushes	31	58
Rushing Yards	102	397
Passes	27-12-2	23-16-2
Passing Yards	104	293
Return Yards	27	29
Punts/Average	5/30.6	0/0
Fumbles/Lost	1/1	2/1
Penalties/Yards	3/35	8/55
Possession Time	27:33	32:27

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing:UMR-A. Williams 10/40, D. Shields 9/31, J. Miller 4/12, Gronewold, 2/11, Greaving 1/6, Guidry 5/2; **MSU**-J. Davis 19/113, G. Davis 15/110, Johnston 9/77, K. Washington 7/60, Kirby 4/37, Krapfl 1/3, Sargent 1/2

Passing:UMR-Guidry 27-12-2/104: MSU-Krapfl 12-8-1/200. Kirby 8-5-1/63. Horner 3-3-0/30

Receiving: UMR-Binder 4/18, Gronewold 3/26, Greaving 2/12, Cottrell 1/31, D. Shields 1/11, Crider 1/6; MSU-E, Davis 5/76, McElvane 4/139, Cl. Harbor 1/19, W. Miller 1/15, Nicholson 1/12, G. Davis 1/9, Emery 1/9, Oliver 1/8, Peachy 1/6

Punting: UMR: Dillinger 5/30.6: MSU-no punts

Bears 51, UT Martin 44

Graham Stadium, Martin, Tenn. September 6, 2007

The Missouri State football Bears jumped on top by 14 points in the first three minutes of the game and stayed in front the rest of the night to record a stunning 51-44 upset of the 16th-ranked and defending Ohio Valley Conference champion Tennessee-Martin Skyhawks Thursday night in Martin, Tenn., at Graham Stadium. It was the Bears' first road win since Oct. 16, 2004, ended a string of 11 straight Missouri State losses away from Springfield and made MSU 2-0 for the first time since the start of the 2004 season.

The Bears were in front 14-0 three minutes into the contest. After a 50-yard kickoff return by Kingjack Washington to open the game, the Bears needed just six plays to score with QB Matt Krapfl going in from the six. An MSU stop got the ball back and Krapfl fired a 61-yard TD pass to WR Tamarkus McElvane to make it 14-0 with 3:08 elapsed. The teams traded field goals and then touchdowns. with QB Cody Kirby scoring on an 11-yard run midway in the second period. A second UTM field goal cut the Bears' advantage to 24-13 at the half.

The Skyhawks scored to open the third quarter but K Nathan Stokes hit his second MSU field goal, WR Eric Davis scored on a 20-yard pass from Krapfl and Stokes nailed a career-long 44-yard three-pointer to make it 37-20 a minute into the final quarter. The two teams swapped touchdowns again with TB Gerald Davis on a five-vard run and Kirby on a six-yard scamper keeping the Bears' side of the scoreboard moving to make it 51-34 with three minutes left. UTM took advantage of a recovered onside kick and one of just two punts in the game by MSU to tack on a late TD and field goal but the Bears had the ball at the end and ran out the clock.

G. Davis with 83 yards and Washington with 80 led the Bears on the ground while Krapfl's 5-of-10 throwing night included his two TD tosses as he finished with 140 yards. E. Davis had five catches for 99 yards to go with his four kickoff returns for 84. The three field goals by Stokes matched his career high for a game, set last year at Indiana State.

Defensively, the Bears got nine solo stops among 13 tackles by LB Jeron Poole while CB Derek Miller was in on nine stops and LB Sam Block had eight.

Missouri State	17	7	10	17	51
Tennessee-Martin	3	10	7	24	44

MSU -- Krapfl, 6, run (Stokes kick)

MSU -- McElvane, 51, pass from Krapfl (Stokes kick)

UTM -- Hansen, 17, field goal

MSU -- Stokes, 23, field goal

UTM -- Chapman, 2, run (Hansen kick)

MSU -- Kirby, 11, run (Stokes kick)

UTM -- Hansen, 29, field goal

UTM -- Dawson, 1, run (Hansen kick)

MSU -- Stokes, 30, field goal

MSU -- E. Davis, 20, pass from Krapfl (Stokes kick)

MSU -- Stokes, 44, field goal UTM -- Chapman, 5, run (kick failed)

MSU -- G. Davis, 5, run (Stokes kick)

UTM -- Dawson, 1, run (Daniel pass from Anoka)

MSU -- Kirby, 6, run (Stokes kick)

UTM -- Thomas, 5, pass from Preston (Hansen kick)

UTM -- Hansen, 32, field goal Attendance-5.994

STATISTICS MSII First Downs 25

Rushes	51	41
Rushing Yards	256	218
Passes	18-10-0	33-22-0
Passing Yards	191	339
Return Yards	-9	0
Punts/Average	2/31.5	3/37/0
Fumbles/Lost	0/0	4/1
Penalties/Yards	6/28	11/126
Possession Time	29:31	30:29

UTM

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INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing:MSU-G. Davis 19/83, K. Washington 12/80, Kirby 5/53, Johnston 5/16, Krapfl 6/9, Stokes 1/6; UTM-D, Chapman 23/111, Anoka 9/56, Burton 1/19, J. Chapman 4/12, Dawson 4/4, Krause 0/1

Passing:MSU-Krapfl 10-5-0/140, Kirby 8-5-0/51; UTM-Anoka 29-19-0/274. Preston 4-3-0/65

Receiving:MSU-E. Davis 5/99, McElvane 2/71, Cl. Harbor 1/10. Nicholson 1/9. G. Davis 1/2: UTM-Akbar 6/142. Daniel 6/87, Thomas 3/42, Patterson 2/25, Burton 2/19, Young 1/18, D. Chapman 1/4, J. Chapman 1/2

Punting:MSU-Stokes 2/31.5: UTM-Ivev 3/37/0

Kansas State 61, Bears 10

Bill Snyder Family Stadium, Manhattan, Kan. September 15, 2007

The Kansas State Wildcats exploded in the first and third periods and rolled past the previously-unbeaten Missouri State Bears 61-10 in non-conference football action Saturday evening at Bill Snyder Family Stadium in Manhattan, Kan.

The Wildcats amassed a 21-0 lead 12 minutes into the contest. Missouri State got its lone touchdown late in the second period and trailed 27-7 at the half, but critical mistakes after the intermission enabled the Big 12 Conference Wildcats to blow it open. The result left both teams 2-1 for the early non-conference season.

After Kansas State marched the second half kickoff down to score, an errant option pitch give the ball back to the Wildcats on the Bears' next play from scrimmage. Kansas State punched in another quick score to make it 41-7. The Bears made an onside kickoff attempt after they collected a field goal but K-State got the ball and quickly added a third touchdown of the period. Only with a 47-10 lead through three quarters did Kansas State remove its regulars.

The Wildcats rolled up 546 yards in total offense to 191 for the Bears in the first-ever football meeting between the two schools. The Bears got just 69 yards on the ground.

WR Jordy Nelson spearheaded the Kansas State attack as he caught 15 passes for 209 yards and one touchdown, threw a halfback option touchdown pass for the Wildcats' first touchdown of the contest, and also ran back two punts for 82 yards. The 15 catches Nelson had are the most ever by an individual in a game against Missouri State.

TB Kingjack Washington got Missouri State's lone touchdown with 4:36 left in the second period on a nine-yard run and finished with 45 yards on 10 carries. QB Cody Kirby, also a freshman, completed nine of 17 passes for 62 yards, and TE Clay Harbor was the Bears' leading receiver with four catches for 53 yards.

Kansas State got 114 yards and three touchdowns rushing from TB James Johnson and QB Josh Freeman completed 26 of 39 passes for 287 yards. The Wildcats compounded their offensive attack by adding 181 yards on punt returns and 62 more on kickoff runbacks.

A fake field goal pass from holder Jake Spavital to FB Jeff Sargent gave the Bears the ball on the KSU one late in the third quarter but Missouri State couldn't nunch it home and had to settle for a field goal from K Nathan Stokes. It was Stokes's fourth field goal in as many tries this season.

CB Marcus Colbert led the Missouri State defense with 12 tackles and a pass breakup while LB Sam Block was in on nine tackles and S Chris Farrar had a hand in eight stops.

Missouri State	0	7	3	0	10
Kansas State	21	6	20	14	61

KSU -- Murphy, 24, pass from Nelson (Rossman kick)

KSU -- Johnson, 11, run (Rossman kick) KSU -- Patton, 4, run (Rossman kick)

KSU -- Rossman, 24, field goal

MSU -- K. Washington, 9, run (Stokes kick) KSU -- Rossman, 24, field goal

KSU -- Johnson, 11, run (Rossman kick)

KSU -- Johnson, 1, run (Rossman kick) MSU -- Stokes, 29, field goal

KSU -- Nelson, 18, pass from Freeman (kick failed)

KSU -- Murphy, 80, punt return (Rossman kick) KSU -- Petrie, 3, run (Cherry kick)

Attendance- 46,825

STATISTICS	MSU	KSU
First Downs	14	30
Rushes	40	38
Rushing Yards	69	221
Passes	23-12-0	42-29-0
Passing Yards	122	325
Return Yards	11	181
Punts/Average	8/38.6	2/45.0
Fumbles/Lost	2/1	1/1
Penalties/Yards	10/92	16/162
Possession Time	31:38	28:22

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: MSU-K. Washington 10/45, G. Davis 11/28, Johnston 4/6, J. Davis 2/1, Kirby 9/0, E. Davis 1/-2, Krapfl 3/-9; KSU-Johnson 16/114, Petrie 10/61, Patton 6/21, Reed 3/19, Freeman 2/9. Coffman 1/-3

Passing:MSU-Kirby 17-9-0/62, Krapfl 5-2-0/34, Spavital 1-1-0/26; KSU-Freeman 39-26-0/287, Coffman 2-2-0/14, Nelson 1-1-0/24

Receiving:MSU-Cl. Harbor 4/53, E. Davis 3/17, K. Washington 2/4, Sargent 1/26, Emery 1/14, Oliver 1/8; KSU-Nelson 15/209, Johnson 5/24, Murphy 4/52, Pierce 2/19, Patton 1/11, Brown 1/8. Pooschke 1/2

Punting:MSU-Stokes 8/38.6: KSU-Rever 2/45.0

Bears 42, Central Ark. 38

Plaster Field, Springfield, Mo. Sept. 22, 2007

Freshman QB Cody Kirby rolled untouched into the end zone from two yards out with 21 seconds left in the fourth quarter to bring the Missouri State Bears from behind for the third time in the contest on their way to a 42-38 non-league win over the Central Arkansas Bears at Plaster Field.

Kirby's third touchdown of the game provided Bears' second-year head coach Terry Allen the 100th victory of his coaching career. Central Arkansas fell to 1-3 with the loss.

Central Arkansas took a 31-28 lead on a field goal with 9:41 left in the game as the Bears punted four straight times in the second half after punching up four straight touchdowns in the first half for a 28-21 halftime lead. A tipped pass was intercepted by UCA after Central Arkansas took the lead but MSU forced a punt and then drove 80 yards on eight plays to regain the lead. TB Kingjack Washington got 63 vards on four carries and TB Gerald Davis went in from the four to give MSU a 35-31 edge with 3:10 left.

UCA started on its own 10 and covered the last 78 yards on four straight pass completions by QB Nathan Brown. Brown hit WR Cedric Logan for the final 30 yards and a TD to slip UCA back into the lead at 38-35 with 1:20 to play.

FB Waylon Richardet returned a short kickoff 26 yards to the UCA 39. Kirby then hit McElvane for three passes to get MSU to the UCA two. Kirby then went over the left side of the line and in for the winning TD with 21 seconds left.

Central Arkansas got on the board with a TD midway in the first period before Missouri State answered with three straight touchdowns. Kirby threw a five-yard scoring pass to TE Clay Harbor and then scored twice himself on onevard runs for a 21-7 lead midway through the second period. UCA got a 53-vard TD throw from Brown to WR Willie Landers to close to within 21-14 but Missouri State went 66 yards in six plays with Kirby getting a nine-yard TD pass to McElvane with 2:55 left before halftime. Central Arkansas came right back and marched 56 vards in just over two minutes to score with 22 seconds left before halftime.

While it was slowing MSU in the third quarter, UCA got a 66-yard TD pass from Brown to Landers with 8:33 left to tie the game and set up four lead changes the last period.

The offensive show produced 1,052 yards to go with the 80 points the two teams had, with UCA enjoying a 562-490 edge in total yards. For Missouri State, Kirby was 22-of-38 for 247 yards. McElvane caught 10 passes for 104 yards. WR Eric Davis had six catches for 62 vards and TE Clav Harbor caught five for 80 yards. G. Davis rushed for 121 yards on 16 carries and K. Washington had 82 yards.

Central Arkansas	7	14	7	10	38
Missouri State	7	21	0	14	42

UCA -- R. Brown, 1, run (Paul kick)

MSU -- Cl. Harbor, 5, pass from Kirby (Stokes kick)

MSU -- Kirby, 1, run (Stokes kick)

MSU -- Kirby, 1, run (Stokes kick)

UCA -- Landers, 53, pass from N. Brown (Paul kick)

MSU -- McElvane, 9, pass from Kirby (Stokes kick)

UCA -- Grimes, 1, run (Paul kick)

UCA -- Landers, 66, pass from N. Brown (Paul kick)

UCA -- Paul, 38, field goal

MSU -- G. Davis, 4, run (Stokes kick)

UCA -- Logan, 30, pass from N. Brown (Paul kick)

MSU -- Kirby, 2, run (Stokes kick)

Attendance- 12,084

STATISTICS	UCA	MSU
First Downs	28	25
Rushes	41	39
Rushing Yards	123	243
Passes	41-26-0	38-22-1
Passing Yards	439	247
Return Yards	29	0
Punts/Average	4/44.8	5/39.4
Fumbles/Lost	1/0	2/1
Penalties/Yards	7/55	6/44
Possession Time	34:09	25:51

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing:UCA-R. Brown 20/59, Grimes 15/51, Marks 2/5, N. Brown 3/5, Parker 1/3; MSU-G. Davis 16/121, K. Washington 14/82. Kirby 9/40

Passing:UCA-N. Brown 41-26-0/439; MSU-Kirby 38-22-1/247 Receiving: UCA-Echols 6/77. Landers 5/144. McNeal 4/47. Branson 3/76, Grimes 3/18, Marks 2/22, Logan 1/30, Kennemer 1/15, Twilley 1/10; MSU-McElvane 10/104, E. Davis 6/62, Cl. Harbor 5/80, G. Davis 1/1

Punting: UCA: Paul 4/44.8; MSU-Stokes 5/39.4

Youngstown St. 49, Bears 21

Stambaugh Stadium, Youngstown, Ohio September 29, 2007

Youngstown State combined a strong defense and solid ground game to roll past the Missouri State Bears 49-21 in the Gateway Football Conference opener for both squads. The Penguins rushed for 304 yards and scored five times on the ground while limiting MSU to 305 yards total offense.

Trailing 7-0 after Missouri State's Gerald Davis bolted 51 yards for a touchdown on the Bears' first offensive possession of the contest, Youngstown State reeled off 28 unanswered points and held MSU's offense in check for most of the evening to post its fourth consecutive victory.

Youngstown State took control of the contest in the second quarter, thanks largely to a defense that was able to get consistent pressure on MSU QB Cody Kirby. YSU sacked the Bears' freshman signal-caller three times in the period, and free safety Dorian Chenault's interception near mid-field at the 2:17 mark set up a crucial Penguin scoring drive. Two plays after Kevin Smith's 19-yard run gave Youngstown State a first-and-goal, Ferlando Williams, Jr. ran five yards to give the Penguins a 21-7 cushion.

Williams's touchdown put the finishing touches on a dominant second-quarter performance by YSU that saw the Penguins outgain the Bears 144 to 29 in total yardage. The home team racked up 299 yards of total offense to the Bears' 130 in the opening half.

The Penguins kept the pressure on to start the second half. A deep punt by YSU's Ben Nowicki pinned the Bears inside the five to open the second half. After the Penguins' defense held MSU, Youngstown marched the ball 41 yards in four plays. Smith carried for the final seven yards to top the 100-yard rushing mark and score his third touchdown of the evening to extend YSU's lead to 28-7 with 10:38 to go in the third period. Smith finished the night with 102 yards on 15 carries to lead the YSU ground game.

The Bears responded with a 74-yard scoring march that trimmed the deficit to 14 after Kirby found Jeremy Nicholson in the end zone for a six-yard strike. But YSU answered, scoring on a three-yard run by Williams to take a 35-14 lead. The Penguins recovered a fumble on the ensuing kickoff and only had to go 28 yards for another score, a three-yard pass from Tom Zetts to Ben Lane that capped an 11-minute span in which YSU outscored the Bears 28-7.

Missouri State got off to a quick start in the first half when Davis broke loose on a third and short from the MSU 49 to give the Bears a lead just two minutes into the ballgame. Youngstown State answered with a touchdown on its first possession of the game when Smith finished off a 65-yard drive with an 11-yard run up the middle to pull the Penguins even.

Missouri State	7	_	7	7	01
Missouri State	-	U	,	-	21
Youngstown State	7	14	21	7	49

MSU -- G. Davis, 51, run (Stokes kick)

YSU -- K. Smith, 11, run (Palmer kick)

YSU -- K. Smith, 11, run (Palmer kick) YSU -- F. Williams, 5, run (Palmer kick)

YSU -- K. Smith, 3, run (Palmer kick)

MSU -- Nicholson, 6, pass from Kirby (Stokes kick)

YSU -- F. Williams, 3, run (Palmer kick)

YSU -- Lane, 3, pass from Zetts (Palmer kick)

MSU -- Kirby, 2, run (Stokes kick)

YSU -- Barnes, 37, kickoff return (Palmer kick)

Attendance-19.617

STATISTICS	MSU	YSU
First Downs	17	24
Rushes	29	51
Rushing Yards	122	304
Passes	31-19-1	23-13-1
Passing Yards	183	169
Return Yards	19	1
Punts/Average	6/39.8	4/38.5
Fumbles/Lost	1/1	1/0
Penalties/Yards	7/51	8/75
Possession Time	27:01	32:59

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing: MSU-G. Davis 8/65, Johnston 6/27, Kirby 11/24, K. Washington 2/3, Krapfl 1/3, J. Davis 1/0: YSU-K, Smith 15/102. F. Williams 8/48, Zetts 7/45, Dewberry 5/43, Edwards 10/34, Horne 2/16, Nicholson 4/16

Passing: MSU-Kirby 31-19-1/183: YSU-Zetts 23-13-1/169 Receiving: MSU-Nicholson 7/51, E. Davis 4/15, Cl. Harbor 3/59, McElvane 3/38, G. Davis 2/20; **YSU**-Berry 6/84, Horne 2/35, F. Williams 2/29, Bush 1/11, K. Smith 1/7, Lane 1/3

Punting: MSU-Stokes 6/39.8; YSU-Nowicki 4/38.5

The Automated ScoreBook

Missouri State Combined Team Statistics (as of Sep 30, 2007) All games

RECORD: ALL GAMES	OVERALL (3-2-0)	HOME AWAY (2-0-0) (1-2-	NEUTRAL 0) (0-0-0)
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Sep 15, 2007 at Kansas State	L 10-61 46825	Passing	49 57
Sep 22, 2007 CENTRAL ARKANSAS	W 42-38 12084	Penalty	12 8
*Sep 29, 2007 at #10 Youngstown State * denotes conference game	L 21-49 19617	RUSHING YARDAGE Yards gained rushing	1075 953 1174 1000
denotes conference game		Yards lost rushing	99 47
RUSHING GP-GS Att Gain Loss Net	Avg TD Long Avg/G	Rushing Attempts	217 202
Davis,Gerald 5-5 69 414 7 407	5.9 7 51 81.4	Average Per Rush Average Per Game	5.0 4.7 215.0 190.6
Washington, King 5-0 45 284 14 270	6.0 2 27 54.0	TDs Rushing	18 16
Kirby, Cody 5-2 38 202 48 154	4.1 7 21 30.8	PASSING YARDAGE	1036 1376
Johnston, Stephe 5-0 24 129 3 126 Davis, Jonathan 2-0 21 114 0 114	5.2 1 18 25.2 5.4 0 30 57.0	Att-Comp-Int	133-79-4 166-102-3 7.8 8.3
Krapfl, Matt 4-3 11 23 17 6	0.5 1 8 1.5	Average Per Catch	13.1 13.5
Stokes, Nathan 5-0 1 6 0 6	6.0 0 6 1.2	Average Per Game	207.2 275.2
Sargent, Jeff 4-0 1 2 0 2 Davis, Eric 5-5 2 0 2 -2	2.0 0 2 0.5 -1.0 0 0 -0.4	TDs Passing TOTAL OFFENSE	7 8 2111 2329
TM 2-0 5 0 8 -8	-1.6 0 0 -4.0	Total Plays	350 368
Total 5 217 1174 99 1075	5.0 18 51 215.0	Average Per Play	6.0 6.3
Opponents 5 202 1000 47 953	4.7 16 32 190.6	Average Per Game KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS	422.2 465.8 34-724 34-827
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Horner, Tyler 2-0 294.00 3-3-0	100.0 30 1 15 15.		21-38.5 18-38.2
Spavital, Jacob 4-0 318.40 1-1-0	100.0 26 0 26 6.		29:18 30:42
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RECEIVING GP-GS No. Yds Avg TD	Long Avg/G	INTERCEPTIONS No. Yds	Avg TD Long
Davis,Eric 5-5 23 269 11.7 1	28 53.8	Graham,Dan 1 0	0.0 0 0
McElvane, Tamark 5-5 19 352 18.5 3	61 70.4	McDonough, Conno 1 19	19.0 0 19
Harbor, Clay 5-5 14 221 15.8 1 Nicholson, Jerem 4-4 9 72 8.0 1	37 44.2 12 18.0	Block, Sam 1 17 Total 3 36	17.0 0 17 12.0 0 19
Davis, Gerald 5-5 5 32 6.4 0	13 6.4	Opponents 4 44	11.0 0 27
Emery, Jared 4-0 2 23 11.5 1 Oliver, Brandon 4-0 2 16 8.0 0	14 5.8 8 4.0	PUNTING No. Yds	Avg Long TB FC I20 Blkd
Washington, King 5-0 2 4 2.0 0	7 0.8	PUNTING No. Yds	Avg Long TB FC I20 Blkd
Sargent, Jeff 4-0 1 26 26.0 0	26 6.5	Stokes, Nathan 21 808	38.5 54 1 2 6 0
Miller, Wes 3-0 1 15 15.0 0 Peachy, Chad 2-0 1 6 6.0 0	15 5.0 6 3.0	Total	38.5 54 1 2 6 0 38.2 57 3 3 4 0
Total 5 79 1036 13.1 7	61 207.2	Opponents 18 007	30.2 37 3 3 4 0
Opponents 5 102 1376 13.5 8	66 275.2	PUNT RETURNS No. Yds	Avg TD Long
FIELD GOALS FGM-FGA Pct 01-19 20-29	30-39 40-49 50-99 Lg Bl		-1.7 0 11
Stokes, Nathan 4-4 100.0 0-0 2-2	1-1 1-1 0-0 44 (Total 6 -10 Opponents 11 194	-1.7 0 11 17.6 1 80
PATs SCORING TD FGs Kick Rush Rcv	•	KICK RETURNS No. Yds	Avg TD Long
		Davis,Eric 18 375	20.8 0 36
Kirby,Cody 7 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 Davis,Gerald 7 0-0 0-0 0-0 0	0-0 0 0 42 0-0 0 0 42	Washington, King 10 281 Sargent, Jeff 4 25	28.1 0 54 6.2 0 10
Stokes, Nathan 0 4-4 24-25 0-0 0	0-0 0 0 36	Richardet, Waylo 1 26	26.0 0 26
McElvane, Tamark 3 0-0 0-0 0-0 0	0-0 0 0 18 0-0 0 0 12	Oliver,Brandon 1 17	17.0 0 17
Washington, King 2 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 Johnston, Stephe 1 0-0 0-0 0-0 0	0-0 0 0 12 0-0 0 0 6	Total	21.3 0 54 24.3 2 94
Krapfl,Matt 1 0-0 0-0 0-0 0	0-0 0 0 6	oppononog*******************************	
Emery, Jared 1 0-0 0-0 0-0 0	0-0 0 0 6	ALL PURPOSE G Rush R	ec PR KOR IR Tot Avg/G
Nicholson, Jerem 1 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 Harbor, Clay 1 0-0 0-0 0-0 0	0-0 0 0 6 0-0 0 0 6	Davis,Eric 5 -2 2	69 -10 375 0 632 126.4
Davis,Eric 1 0-0 0-0 0-0 0	0-0 0 0 6	Washington, King 5 270	4 0 281 0 555 111.0
Total 25 4-4 24-25 0-0 0 Opponents 27 7-9 24-26 0-0 1	0-0 0 0 186 1-1 0 0 209		32
		Harbor,Clay 5 0 2	21 0 0 0 221 44.2
SCORE BY QUARTERS 1st 2nd 3rd 4th	Total	Kirby,Cody 5 154 Johnston,Stephe 5 126	0 0 0 0 154 30.8 0 0 0 0 126 25.2
Missouri State 59 48 27 52 Opponents 45 44 58 62	- 186 - 209	Davis,Jonathan 2 114 Nicholson,Jerem 4 0	0 0 0 0 114 57.0 72 0 0 0 72 18.0
TOTAL OFFENSE G Plays Rush Pass Total .		Sargent, Jeff 4 2	26 0 25 0 53 13.2 16 0 17 0 33 8.2
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Horner, Tyler 2 3 0 30 30	15.0	Stokes, Nathan 5 6	0 0 0 0 6 1.2
Spavital, Jacob 4 1 0 26 26 Stokes, Nathan 5 1 6 0 6	6.5 1.2	Total 5 1075 10 Opponents 5 953 13	
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The Automated ScoreBook Missouri State Overall Individual Statistics (as of Sep 30, 2007) All games

			т	ackles-		-Sacks-	Pass	Def-		-Fumble	s-	Blkd	
DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP			Total	TFL/Yds	No-Yds				Rcv-Yds			Saf
7 Block, Sam	5	18	25	43	1-1	•	1-17	1		1-0	1		•
47 Poole, Jeron	5	17	26	43	3-10	1-8	•	•		•			
27 Colbert, Marcus	5	23	14	37	•	•	•	4	•	•	•	•	•
10 Miller,Derek	5	16	17	33	•	•	•	1	•	1-0	•	•	
43 Dawson, Jeremy	5	13	19	32	1-4	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
44 Wright,Roger	5	12	15	27	•	•	•	4	•	•	•	•	•
2 Farrar,Chris	5	19	8	27	3-4	•	•	1	1	1-0	•	•	•
94 Dickehut,Clayto	4	6	10	16	3-4	1-3	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
40 McDonough, Conno	5	5	11	16	3-8	•	1-19	•	•	1-0	1	•	•
92 Brehmer, Chris	5	8	7	15	5-22	2-16	•	•	1	•	•	•	•
23 Randolph, Tony	5	8	6	14	•	•	•	1	•	•	•	•	•
42 Harbor, Cory	5	4	10	14	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
<pre>3 Alvis,Cedric</pre>	4	8	2	10	•	•	•	1	•	•	•	•	•
98 Washington,Teri	5	3	6	9	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
61 Hilt,Brandon	4	4	5	9	1-1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
18 Geisz,Chris	5	2	6	8	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
68 Taylor,Mike	4	•	8	8	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
99 Moore,Levi	4	5	3	8	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
50 Hayward,Chris	3	2	5	7	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
54 Graham, Dan	4	4	3	7	•	•	1-0	•	•	•	•	•	•
22 Hurt, Kolby	5	4	3	7	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
34 Oliver, Brandon	4	1	5	6	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
20 Hottelman, Matt	5	4	1	5	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
46 Richardet, Waylo	4	2	3	5	1-1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
29 Cannon, James	4	•	3	3	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
TM TM	2	3	•	3	•	•	•	•	•	•	3	•	•
48 Hightower, Byron	3	2	•	2	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
6 Davis,Gerald	5	1	1	2	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
12 Miller,Chris	2	2	•	2	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
84 Harbor, Clay	5	1	•	1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
80 Nicholson, Jerem	4	1	•	1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
16 Eversley,Jordan	2	1	•	1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
4 Emery, Jared	4	•	1	1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
28 Washington, King	5	1	•	1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
38 Johnston, Stephe	5	1	•	1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
91 Simmons, Travis	3	•	1	1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
95 Mayberry, John	4	1	•	1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
96 Detwiler,Grant	2	1	•	1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
39 Whitt,Geoff	1	•	1	1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
31 Fuselier, Justin	1	•	1	1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Total	5	203	226	429	21-55	4-27	3-36	13	2	4-0	5	•	•
Opponents	5	-	-	-	-	9-64	4-44	6	3	3-0	3	•	•