

**GAME 5 | OCT. 5, 2024 | 7:30 P.M. ET | FAYETTEVILLE, ARK. | DONALD W. REYNOLDS RAZORBACK STADIUM**



## TENNESSEE VOLUNTEERS

4-0 (1-0 SEC)

**Head Coach:** Josh Heupel  
**Record at UT:** 31-12 (.721) // fourth season  
**Career Record:** 59-20 (.747) // seventh season  
**Rankings:** AP - 4 // Coaches - 4



## ARKANSAS RAZORBACKS

3-2 (1-1 SEC)

AT

**Head Coach:** Sam Pittman  
**Record at UA:** 26-27 (.491) // fifth season  
**Career Record:** same  
**Rankings:** AP - NR // Coaches - NR

### STORYLINES

■ **BACK ON THE ROAD:** No. 4/4 Tennessee will play its second straight SEC road game in primetime following an open week as the Volunteers take on Arkansas at 7:30 p.m. ET Saturday from DWR Razorback Stadium. All three of Tennessee's games away from Neyland Stadium have been ABC primetime. The Vols are off to a 4-0 start for the second time in three seasons under **Josh Heupel**, representing the first time since 1991-92 that they have achieved that feat twice over a three-year stretch. Tennessee has won six straight games dating back to last season's Nov. 25 Vanderbilt contest. That is the fourth-longest current steak in the nation behind Missouri (8), Army (8) and Duke (7). All six wins have come by double-digits. Arkansas has won three straight in the series, but the Vols lead the all-time matchup, 13-6. The Razorbacks fell to No. 24 Texas A&M, 21-17, in Arlington. The Vols are seeking their first 5-0 start since 2022, Heupel's second year.

■ **HEUPEL ERA:** **Josh Heupel**, the 2022 AP SEC Coach of the Year, is in his fourth season at UT. Since taking over a program that was 3-7 prior to his arrival, Heupel owns a 31-12 record and has won 26 of his last 33 games. He led UT to the program's winningest two-year stretch (20 from 2022-23) since the Vols won 20 from 2003-04. Since 2018, he ranks sixth nationally among active FBS head coaches in victories with 59. Heupel became the quickest UT coach to reach 30 wins (42 games) since Phillip Fulmer did in his 38th game on Nov. 18, 1995, at Kentucky (34-31). He was the fifth-quickest Vol coach in history to reach the milestone, behind Gen. Robert Neyland (33 games, 1929); Bill Battle (35 games, 1972), John Barnhill (37 games, 1945) and Fulmer (38 games). Heupel will be coaching in his 80th game as a head coach.

■ **NEVER TRAILED:** Tennessee is one of four FBS programs who have not trailed this season, joining Texas, Indiana and Army. The Vols have not trailed in 24 straight quarters dating back to last season's Vanderbilt game. The last time Tennessee trailed was when it lost to top-ranked Georgia on Nov. 18. Tennessee has led in 202 minutes and 53 seconds of game action this season and is outscoring opponents 216-28. That +188 point differential is currently the best in the nation and the seventh-best by an FBS team through four games since 2000. The Vols are outscoring opponents 149-6 in the first half this season.

■ **OPEN WEEK SUCCESS:** **Josh Heupel** owns an 8-1 record in games played after an open week in his six previous seasons as a head coach, including a 3-0 mark at Tennessee and a 5-1 record at UCF. The Vols are 85-49-9 all-time after open dates and 51-35-2 after open weeks in league play. Tennessee has outscored opponents 105-68 under Heupel following open dates with wins at No. 18 Kentucky (2021), at No. 25 LSU (2022) and vs. Texas A&M (2023). The Vols also have an open date on Oct. 26 following the Alabama game.

■ **TOP FIVE IN THE FBS:** Tennessee heads into the Arkansas contest ranked in the FBS top five in 11 major categories: scoring offense (1st - 54.0), total defense (1st - 176.0), yards per play allowed (1st - 3.13), third-down defense (1st - 17.0), first down defense (1st - 11.0), scoring defense (2nd - 7.0), rushing defense (2nd - 50.8), total offense (3rd - 565.8), kickoff return defense (3rd - 5.0), pass defense (4th - 125.3) and rushing offense (4th - 290.0). The Vols are the only team in the country boasting a top five scoring offense, scoring defense, total offense AND total defense. UT has surrendered the fewest offensive touchdowns in the country this season (2). Both came in the fourth quarter at Oklahoma - 2-yard pass and 1-yard rush. The other touchdown scored on the Vols this season was an 87-yard interception return by NC State. Opponents have failed to score an offensive touchdown in 19 out of the last 20 quarters played vs. Tennessee.

### BY THE NUMBERS

18

straight games without allowing a sack by Preseason All-American C **Cooper Mays**, who is the Vols' starter for the fourth straight year

10

rushing touchdowns by Jr. RB **Dylan Sampson**, which leads the SEC and ranks 2nd in FBS (4 straight games with a TD)

26

games producing 200 rushing yards in the **Josh Heupel** era and own a 24-2 record when doing so (won 18 in a row when doing so)

2

30+ yard plays allowed by UT defense all season (30 yd rush, 46 yd pass), fewest in SEC and tied for second fewest in FBS

## ON THE AIR

**TV:** ABC

**Play-by-Play:** Chris Fowler  
**Analyst:** Kirk Herbstreit  
**Sideline Reporter:** Holly Rowe

**RADIO:** VOL NETWORK

**Local:** WIVK-FM 107.7 | WNML-FM 99.1  
**SiriusXM:** Ch. 84 | **App:** Ch. 84  
**Web:** UTsports.com | **App:** Tennessee Ath.  
**Play-by-Play:** Bob Kesling  
**Analysts:** Pat Ryan & Brent Hubbs  
**Sideline Reporter:** Jayson Swain

**RADIO:** SPANISH BROADCAST

**Local:** WNML-AM 990  
**Play-by-Play:** Carlos Lopez  
**Analyst:** Fuad Reveiz

## THE SCHEDULE

**Home:** 2-0 | **Away:** 1-0 | **Neutral:** 1-0

### AUGUST (1-0)

31 Chattanooga SECN W, 69-3

### SEPTEMBER (3-0)

7 vs. #24/23 NC State\* ABC W, 51-10

14 Kent State SECN W, 71-0

21 at #15/13 Oklahoma\* ABC W, 25-15

### OCTOBER

5 at Arkansas\* ABC 7:30 p.m.

12 Florida\* TBD Flex

19 #1/2 Alabama\* TBD Flex

### NOVEMBER

2 Kentucky\* TBD Night

9 Miss. State\* (HC) TBD Night

16 at #5/5 Georgia\* TBD Flex

23 UTEP SECN+ 1 p.m.

30 at Vanderbilt\* TBD Early

\* - denotes SEC game

^ - denotes in Charlotte (Duke's Mayo Classic)

Flex - 3:30-4:30 p.m. ET or 6-8 p.m. ET

Night - 6-8 p.m. ET / Early - 12-1 p.m. ET

## THE COACHING STAFF

**Josh Heupel**, Head Coach (4th)

**Alec Abeln**<sup>^</sup>, Tight Ends (4th, 2nd as TE)

**Tim Banks**<sup>^</sup>, DC (4th)

**Mike Ekeler**, OLB/ST (4th)

**Glen Elarbee**, OL (4th)

**Rodney Garner**, DL (6th, 4th on this staff)

**Joey Halzle**<sup>^</sup>, OC/QB (4th, 2nd as OC)

**William Inge**, LB (1st)

**Willie Martinez**, DB (8th, 4th on this staff)

**Kelsey Pope**, WR (4th, 3rd as WR)

**De'Rail Sims**, RB (1st)

( ) - denotes year at Tennessee

<sup>^</sup> - denotes in press box

**MEDIA INFORMATION**

**COACH HEUPEL MEDIA INTERVIEWS**

- **MONDAY:** Coach Heupel’s weekly press conference will be held in person every Monday of game week at 12:15 p.m. ET in the north studio of the Neyland-Thompson Sports Center. It will also be streamed live on UTsports.com and the UT Athletics YouTube page. There will be no Zoom option.
- **WEDNESDAY:** Coach Heupel takes part in the weekly SEC Teleconference each Wednesday at 11:50 a.m. ET. A confidential link to ask questions will be distributed.
- **POSTGAME:** For home games, Coach Heupel’s postgame press conference will take place in person in the Stokely Family Media Center of Neyland Stadium. For road games, Coach Heupel’s postgame press conference will be held in person in the visiting team’s postgame room. On-demand video after the press conference will be distributed via Tennessee’s media share folder.

**ASSISTANT COACH MEDIA INTERVIEWS**

- **TUESDAY:** One to two assistant coaches will be made available following practice on Tuesdays at approximately 11:20 a.m in the north studio of the Neyland-Thompson Sports Center. There will be no Zoom option available.
- **WEDNESDAY:** An assistant coach will appear on “Vol Calls” at 8 p.m. ET on Wednesdays during the season at Calhoun’s On the River.

**STUDENT-ATHLETE MEDIA INTERVIEWS**

- **MONDAY/TUESDAY:** Select student-athletes will be available following Coach Heupel’s weekly press conference on Mondays in the north studio of the Neyland-Thompson Sports Center at approximately 12:30 p.m. Players will also be available following the assistant coach availabilities on Tuesday beginning at approximately 11:45 a.m. or depending on the schedule.
- **POSTGAME:** For home games, select student-athletes will be available in person on the stage in Stokely Family Media Center following Coach Heupel’s postgame press conference. For road games, select players will be available in the visiting team’s postgame room following Coach Heupel’s press conference.
- Student-athletes’ contact information will not be distributed.

**“VOL CALLS” WEDNESDAYS**

- “Vol Calls,” the official statewide radio show of the Tennessee Volunteers, airs from 8-9 p.m. ET on Wednesdays from Calhoun’s On the River in downtown Knoxville. The show features head coach Josh Heupel and assistant coaches. It also airs live on UTsports.com/watch and the Tennessee Athletics app.



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**NEYLAND GAME DAY INFORMATION**

- **MEDIA WILL CALL:** For those media members picking up their credentials, pickup is located at the Tennessee Strategic Communications Office on the ground floor of the Anderson Training Center on Fridays from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. On gameday, credential pickup is located inside Gate 15A on the west side of Neyland Stadium. Gameday pickup opens four hours prior to kickoff.
- **MEDIA PARKING:** For those media members approved for media parking, parking passes are digital and accessed via mobile devices through email via Ticketmaster.
- **MEDIA ENTRANCE:** Media will enter the press box through Gate 15A on the west side of Neyland Stadium.
- **PRESS BOX:** The Tom Elam Press Box opens 3.5 hours prior to kickoff. A pregame meal will be served beginning two hours prior to kickoff. After entering Gate 15A, take the elevator to Level 5.
- **STOKELY FAMILY MEDIA CENTER:** Stokely Family Media Center on the field level of Neyland Stadium opens 3.5 hours prior to kickoff and is available for credentialed photographers/videographers. A pregame meal for photographers/videographers

will be served beginning two hours prior to kickoff. To access Stokely Family Media Center, take the elevator to Level 1, enter the stadium concourse, and walk north (left). Just inside Gate 21, take the stairs down to the Gate 21A ramp. Enter the field area and walk along the back of the north end zone to the media center, which is located in the northeast corner of Neyland Stadium.

- **PRINTABLES:** With the exception of flip cards and final game books, media materials will be available digitally in accordance with FWA recommendations. This includes in-game stats and game notes. Digital links will be distributed prior to game day for game notes.
- **POSTGAME PRESS CONFERENCES:** Tennessee’s home postgame press conference will be held in the Stokely Family Media Center. There will be no Zoom option. The visiting team postgame press conference will be held adjacent to the visitor’s locker room in the south end zone of Neyland Stadium. Media can access this area via the south end zone tunnel. On-demand video of Tennessee’s press conference will be distributed via Tennessee’s media share folder.

**COLLEGEPRESSBOX.COM** is the official media website for FBS football. Access and download weekly game notes, quotes, statistics, media guides, headshots, logos and more for each conference and its member schools. Register for access at collegepressbox.com/register.



**GAME 5 MEDIA SCHEDULE: ARKANSAS** (subject to change, all times Eastern)

SUNDAY [29]	MONDAY [30]	TUESDAY [1]	WEDNESDAY [2]	THURSDAY [3]	FRIDAY [4]	SATURDAY [5]
off day no media availability	<b>12:15 p.m. ET</b> - Head Coach Josh Heupel Press Conference followed by select players in north studio	<b>approx. 11:20 a.m. ET</b> - post practice assistant coach media availability (DC Banks, WR Pope) followed by select players in north studio	<b>11:50 a.m. ET</b> - Head Coach Josh Heupel on SEC Teleconference  <b>8 p.m. ET</b> - “Vol Calls” on Vol Network live from Calhoun’s on The River (Heupel, Pope)	no media availability	no media availability depart for Fayetteville	<b>Game 5: at Arkansas</b> 7:30 p.m. ET Razorback Stadium ABC • Vol Network  <b>Postgame</b> Coach Heupel and select players available in visiting media room





# TENNESSEE | DEPTH CHART

## OFFENSE

<b>TE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Ethan Davis</b>	<b>6-5</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>R-Fr.</b>
-or-	<b>19</b>	<b>Holden Staes</b>	<b>6-4</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>Jr.</b>
-or-	<b>87</b>	<b>Miles Kitselman</b>	<b>6-5</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>Sr.</b>
<b>LT</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>Lance Heard</b>	<b>6-6</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>So.</b>
-or-	<b>77</b>	<b>Larry Johnson III</b>	<b>6-7</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>R-So.</b>
<b>LG</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>Andrej Karić</b>	<b>6-6</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>Sr.</b>
-or-	<b>75</b>	<b>Jackson Lampley</b>	<b>6-4</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>R-Sr.*</b>
<b>C</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>Cooper Mays</b>	<b>6-4</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>Sr.*</b>
	50	William Satterwhite	6-3	300	Fr.
-or-	54	Vysen Lang	6-4	340	R-Fr.
<b>RG</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>Javontez Spraggins</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>Sr.*</b>
	79	Shamurad Umarov	6-7	330	R-Fr.
<b>RT</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>John Campbell Jr.</b>	<b>6-6</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>R-Sr.*</b>
-or-	<b>66</b>	<b>Dayne Davis</b>	<b>6-7</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>R-Sr.*</b>
<b>WR</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Bru McCoy</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>R-Sr.*</b>
-or-	<b>84</b>	<b>Kaleb Webb</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>R-So.</b>
	10	Mike Matthews	6-1	197	Fr.
<b>WR</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Squirrel White</b>	<b>5-10</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>Jr.</b>
-or-	<b>11</b>	<b>Chas Nimrod</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>R-So.</b>
	14	Braylon Staley	6-0	190	Fr.
<b>WR</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Dont'e Thornton Jr.</b>	<b>6-5</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>Sr.</b>
-or-	<b>17</b>	<b>Chris Brazzell II</b>	<b>6-5</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>R-So.</b>
	85	Nathan Leacock	6-3	217	R-Fr.
<b>QB</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Nico Iamaleava</b>	<b>6-6</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>R-Fr.</b>
	13	Gaston Moore	6-2	212	R-Sr.
	12	Jake Merklinger	6-3	215	Fr.
<b>RB</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Dylan Sampson</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>Jr.</b>
	23	Cameron Seldon	6-2	222	So.
-or-	18	DeSean Bishop	5-10	200	R-Fr.
-or-	20	Khalifa Keith	6-1	239	So.
-or-	27	Peyton Lewis	6-1	210	Fr.

## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

17	Chris Brazzell II	BRAZ-ull
7	Arion Carter	air-EE-on
15	Edrees Farooq	EED-reez FUH-rook
53	Daevin Hobbs	DAY-vin
8	Nico Iamaleava	ee-ah-MAH-LAY-ah-va
70	Andre Karić	awn-DRAY KAHR-ich
20	Khalifa Keith	kah-LEE-fah
87	Miles Kitselman	KITS-ull-man
54	Vysen Lang	VIE-sun
3	Jermod McCoy	JUR-mahd
12	Jake Merklinger	MURK-ling-ur
51	Jaxson Moi	MOY ( <i>rhymes with boy</i> )
11	Chas Nimrod	CHAZZ
11	Keenan Pili	KEE-nan PEE-lee
47	Matthew Salansky	SUH-lan-skee
76	Javontez Spraggins	juh-VAWN-tez SPRA-gins
19	Holden Staes	STAYS
22	Jeremiah Telander	TEE-lan-dur
2	Andre Turrentine	TUR-en-tine
79	Shamurad Umarov	oo-MAH-rawf ( <i>goes by Sham</i> )
42	Tyre West	tie-REE

## DEFENSE

<b>LEO</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>James Pearce Jr.</b>	<b>6-5</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>Jr.</b>
-or-	<b>19</b>	<b>Joshua Josephs</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>Jr.</b>
-or-	<b>31</b>	<b>Caleb Herring</b>	<b>6-5</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>So.</b>
-or-	<b>29</b>	<b>Jordan Ross</b>	<b>6-5</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>Fr.</b>
<b>DT</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Omari Thomas</b>	<b>6-4</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>Sr.*</b>
-or-	<b>10</b>	<b>Elijah Simmons</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>R-Sr.*</b>
-or-	<b>51</b>	<b>Jaxson Moi</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>Jr.</b>
<b>DT</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>Bryson Eason</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>R-Sr.</b>
-or-	<b>55</b>	<b>Omarr Norman-Lott</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>Sr.</b>
-or-	<b>53</b>	<b>Daevin Hobbs</b>	<b>6-4</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>So.</b>
<b>DE</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>Dominic Bailey</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>R-Sr.</b>
-or-	<b>42</b>	<b>Tyre West</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>Jr.</b>
-or-	<b>97</b>	<b>Jayson Jenkins</b>	<b>6-6</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>R-So.</b>
-or-	<b>18</b>	<b>Tyree Weathersby</b>	<b>6-5</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>R-Fr.</b>
<b>WLB</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Arion Carter</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>So.</b>
-or-	<b>8</b>	<b>Kalib Perry</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>Jr.</b>
	39	Jalen Smith	6-2	230	R-Fr.
<b>MLB</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>Keenan Pili</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>R-Sr.*</b>
-or-	<b>22</b>	<b>Jeremiah Telander</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>So.</b>
	13	Edwin Spillman	6-1	234	Fr.
<b>CB</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Rickey Gibson III</b>	<b>6-0</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>So.</b>
-or-	<b>6</b>	<b>Jalen McMurray</b>	<b>6-0</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>R-Jr.</b>
	25	Kaleb Beasley	6-1	200	Fr.
<b>CB</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Jermod McCoy</b>	<b>6-0</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>So.</b>
-or-	<b>24</b>	<b>Jordan Matthews</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>R-Fr.</b>
	0	William Wright	6-0	198	R-Sr.
<b>STAR</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Christian Harrison</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>R-So.</b>
-or-	<b>23</b>	<b>Boo Carter</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>Fr.</b>
<b>S</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>Will Brooks</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>R-Sr.</b>
-or-	<b>14</b>	<b>Christian Charles</b>	<b>6-1</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>R-Jr.</b>
	15	Edrees Farooq	6-0	200	Fr.
<b>S</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Andre Turrentine</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>R-Jr.</b>
-or-	<b>9</b>	<b>Jakobe Thomas</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>R-Jr.</b>
	12	John Slaughter	6-2	195	So.

## SPECIALISTS

<b>PK</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>Max Gilbert</b>	<b>6-0</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>R-Fr.</b>
	94	Josh Turbyville	6-2	209	R-So.
<b>P</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>Jackson Ross</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>R-So.</b>
	94	Josh Turbyville	6-2	209	R-So.
<b>KO</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>Josh Turbyville</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>R-So.</b>
	90	Max Gilbert	6-0	200	R-Fr.
<b>LS</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>Matthew Salansky</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>R-Sr.*</b>
	48	Bennett Brady	6-1	211	R-So.
<b>H</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>Jackson Ross</b>	<b>6-3</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>R-So.</b>
<b>KR</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>Cameron Seldon</b>	<b>6-2</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>So.</b>
-or-	<b>18</b>	<b>DeSean Bishop</b>	<b>5-10</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>R-Fr.</b>
<b>PR</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Squirrel White</b>	<b>5-10</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>Jr.</b>
-or-	<b>3</b>	<b>Jermod McCoy</b>	<b>6-0</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>So.</b>
-or-	<b>23</b>	<b>Boo Carter</b>	<b>5-11</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>Fr.</b>

- denotes graduated

\* - denotes "super" senior who elected to return in 2024





**SERIES HISTORY vs. ARKANSAS**

**20th MEETING**

**TENNESSEE LEADS (13-6-0)**

**in Knoxville:** 6-2

**in Fayetteville:** 2-4

**in Little Rock:** 3-0

**Bowl Games:** 2-0

**Biggest Win:** 43 points (63-20, 2000 in Knoxville)

**Biggest Loss:** 42 points (49-7, 2011 in Fayetteville)

**Longest Winning Streak:** 6 games (1993-98)

**Longest Losing Streak:** 3 games

**Current Streak:** Arkansas 3 games

1907	Little Rock	W	14-2
1971	Memphis	W	14-13
1990	Dallas	W	31-27
1992	Knoxville	L	24-25
1993	Little Rock	W	28-14
1994	Knoxville	W	38-21
1995	Fayetteville	W	49-31
1996	Knoxville	W	55-14
1997	Little Rock	W	30-22
1998	Knoxville	W	28-24
1999	Fayetteville	L	24-28
2000	Knoxville	W	63-20
2001	Fayetteville	W	13-3
2002	Knoxville (6OT)	W	41-38
2006	Fayetteville	L	14-31
2007	Knoxville	W	34-13
2011	Fayetteville	L	7-49
2015	Knoxville	L	20-24
2020	Fayetteville	L	13-24

**TOP PERFORMANCES vs. ARKANSAS**

**PASSING**

**Most Passing Yards:** Peyton Manning (384 Yds, 1995)

**Most Passing Attempts:** Peyton Manning (46 Att., 1995)

**Most Passing Completions:** Peyton Manning (35 Comp., 1995)

**Most Passing TDs:** Casey Clausen (5 TDs, 2000)

**RUSHING**

**Most Rushing Yards:** Chuck Webb (250 Yds, 1990)

**Most Rushes:** Travis Stephens (41 Rushes, 2001)

**Most Rushing TDs:** Jay Graham (1995) & Jabari Davis (2002) - 3 TDs

**RECEIVING**

**Most Receiving Yards:** Joey Kent (161 Yds, 1995)

**Most Receptions:** Joey Kent (13 Rec, 1995)

**Most Receiving TDs:** Cedrick Wilson (3 TDs, 2000)

**OTHER**

**Most Interceptions:** Eric Berry (2 INTs, 2007)

**Most Tackles:** Keyon Whiteside (18 tackles, 2002)

**Most Sacks:** Shane Bonham (3 sacks, 1992)

**NOTING THE TENNESSEE-ARKANSAS SERIES**

- Tennessee and Arkansas are meeting for the 20th time and the first time in Fayetteville since the COVID-shortened season of 2020. The Vols lead the all-time series 13-6, but the Razorbacks have captured the last three meetings.
- This will be the seventh meeting between the two teams in Fayetteville. The Razorbacks have won the last three meetings in Fayetteville, including a 24-13 win on Nov. 7, 2020, in Jeremy Pruitt's final season.
- The last time Tennessee defeated Arkansas was on Nov. 10, 2007, by a score of 34-13 in Knoxville. That season the Vols captured the SEC East championship.
- This is just the fourth meeting between the two programs in the last 16 years.
- UT is seeking its first win in Fayetteville since Sept. 8, 2001, when the Vols opened SEC play with a 13-3 win. Arkansas held a 3-0 lead heading into the fourth quarter of that contest, but UT scored 13 unanswered highlighted by a Travis Stephens 3-yard TD with 1:05 to play.
- This is the first time **Josh Heupel** will face Arkansas as a head coach, but Heupel owned a 2-0 record against Arkansas as the offensive coordinator at Missouri (2016-17). The Tigers won those contests, 28-24 (2016 in Columbia) and 48-45 (2017 in Fayetteville).
- Two former Vols are on Arkansas' roster, including senior defensive back Doneiko Slaughter and RS sophomore offensive lineman Addison Nichols. Slaughter played four seasons with the Vols from 2020-23, and Nichols played from 2022-23.
- RS-sophomore wide receiver **Chas Nimrod** hails from Bentonville, Arkansas, which is 29 miles north of Fayetteville. He was a four-star recruit out of Bentonville High School.
- Tennessee director of competition development **Kurt Schmidt** served as strength and conditioning coordinator at Arkansas from 2008-12 under Bobby Petrino and John L. Smith.
- A total of 706 miles separate the two campuses.

**STAT COMPARISON**

CATEGORY	TENNESSEE		ARKANSAS	
	VALUE	SEC (FBS) RANK	VALUE	SEC (FBS) RANK
3rd D Conv. Pct.	0.492	5 (22)	0.554	1 (5)
3rd D Conv. Pct. Defense	0.170	1 (1)	0.308	9 (25)
4th D Conv. Pct.	0.833	2 (8)	0.500	11 (72)
4th D Conv. Pct Defense	0.200	1 (8)	0.625	11 (95)
Blocked Kicks	1	3 (23)	---	---
Completion Pct.	0.690	7 (18)	0.562	15 (115)
Fewest Penalties P/G	7.00	8 (83)	6.60	6 (76)
Fewest Penalty Yds P/G	64.50	11 (94)	55.80	5 (72)
First Downs Defense	44	1 (1)	87	11 (74)
First Downs Offense	104	7 (36)	138	2 (2)
Fumbles Lost	2	7 (50)	4	12 (99)
Fumbles Recovered	5	2 (7)	1	13 (90)
Kickoff Return Defense	5.00	1 (3)	19.57	13 (79)
Kickoff Returns	22.33	7 (38)	20.50	10 (51)
Net Punting	40.30	11 (43)	44.83	4 (7)
Passes Had Intercepted	3	8 (50)	5	14 (91)
Passes Intercepted	2	12 (95)	6	3 (18)
Passing Offense	275.8	8 (33)	283.0	6 (27)
Passing Yds Allowed	125.3	2 (4)	226.4	14 (89)
Passing Yds per Comp.	14.14	6 (20)	14.15	5 (18)
Punt Return Defense	6.00	11 (53)	2.75	8 (23)
Punt Returns	18.85	2 (14)	11.33	6 (42)
Red Zone Defense	0.625	1 (6)	0.923	16 (100)
Red Zone Offense	0.917	9 (35)	0.750	16 (107)
Rushing Defense	50.8	2 (2)	93.0	5 (21)
Rushing Offense	290.0	1 (4)	212.0	5 (21)
Sacks Allowed	1.50	7 (57)	2.40	12 (94)
Scoring Defense	7.0	1 (2)	20.2	12 (46)
Scoring Offense	54.0	1 (1)	35.8	7 (33)
Tackles for Loss Allowed	5.00	9 (61)	6.60	13 (103)
Team Passing Efficiency	171.99	4 (12)	126.61	14 (94)
Team Passing Effic. Defense	100.40	4 (14)	125.93	10 (64)
Team Sacks	1.75	14 (89)	2.00	8 (60)
Team Tackles for Loss	7.8	3 (12)	5.2	15 (88)
Time of Possession	32.01	4 (26)	32:37	2 (17)
Total Defense	176.0	1 (1)	319.4	9 (47)
Total Offense	565.8	2 (3)	495.0	4 (13)
Turnover Margin	0.50	8 (45)	-0.40	14 (89)
Turnovers Gained	7	6 (42)	7	6 (42)
Turnovers Lost	5	7 (42)	9	15 (111)



## THE LAST MEETING

<b>TENNESSEE</b>	3	10	0	0	-	<b>13</b>
<b>ARKANSAS</b>	0	0	24	0	-	<b>24</b>

Nov. 7, 2020 | DWR Razorback Stadium | Fayetteville, Ark. | Attendance: 16,500

### Third Quarter Scoring Gives Arkansas Win

Despite leading 13-0 at halftime, Tennessee was unable to hang on and fell 24-13 to Arkansas at Donald W. Reynolds Razorback Stadium on Saturday night in front of a reduced crowd during the COVID-19 shortened season. Arkansas scored all 24 of its points in the third quarter while holding the Vols scoreless in the second half.

Eric Gray had another impressive performance to lead the Vols offensively. Gray recorded his fourth career 100-yard rushing game, finishing the night with 123 yards on 31 carries. He added 27 yards on three receptions, as well.

The Vol defense pitched shutouts in the first, second and fourth quarters, while tying season highs with four sacks and nine tackles for loss. Brent Cimaglia connected on both of his field goal attempts in the first half.

Gray provided the Vols with their lone touchdown, finishing off a 16-play, 81-yard drive with a 1-yard pluge early in the second quarter. Arkansas took the momentum in the third quarter scoring touchdowns on three consecutive drives and then added a field goal.

UT quarterback Jarrett Guarantano was knocked out of the game in the third quarter due to a head injury and did not return. He was spelled by Brian Maurer and then true freshman Harrison Bailey, who played the final two drives.

Redshirt junior Kivon Bennett collected two sacks while Deandre Johnson and Ja'Quain Blakely added a sack apiece. Sophomore linebacker Henry To'o To'o had seven tackles and added a pair of TFLs while senior defensive back Theo Jackson set a new career high with 10 tackles to lead the team, including one tackle for loss.

## STAT LEADERS

### TENNESSEE

Rushing	Att	Yds	TD	Long	Avg.
Gray	31	123	1	11	4.0
Guarantano	5	31	0	20	6.2
Small	8	18	0	7	2.3
Bailey	2	7	0	5	3.5
Jones Jr.	1	3	0	3	3.0
Maurer	2	3	0	4	1.5
Chandler	1	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>3.7</b>

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long
Bailey	6-9-2	65	0	24
Guarantano	5-8-0	42	0	18
Maurer	0-4-0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>11-21-2</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24</b>

Receiving	No.	Yds	TD	Long
Palmer	2	28	0	18
Gray	3	27	0	9
Johnson	1	24	0	24
Small	2	14	0	9
Hyatt	2	7	0	7
Keyton	1	7	0	7
<b>Totals</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24</b>

### ARKANSAS

Rushing	Att	Yds	TD	Long	Avg.
Smith	9	72	0	23	8.0
Boyd	19	65	0	7	3.4
Warren	2	41	0	22	20.5
Franks	14	18	0	24	1.3
Burks	1	2	0	2	2.0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>4.4</b>

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long
Franks	18-24-0	215	3	59
Warren	0-1-0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>18-25-0</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>59</b>

Receiving	No.	Yds	TD	Long
Burks	5	95	1	59
Woods	3	64	1	56
Kern	3	40	1	24
Henry	3	16	0	9
Warren	1	8	0	8
Boyd	1	-1	0	0
Smith	2	-7	0	3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>59</b>

## SCORING SUMMARY

Qtr	Time	Team	Scoring Play	P-Yds.	TOP	Score
1st	09:25	UT	Cimaglia,B. 50 yd field goal	12-42	5:35	3-0
2nd	13:35	UT	Gray,E. 1 yd run (Cimaglia,B. kick)	16-81	8:29	10-0
2nd	01:57	UT	Cimaglia,B. 48 yd field goal	8-49	3:53	13-0
3rd	09:46	AR	Woods 1 yd pass from Franks (Reed kick)	17-75	5:14	13-7
3rd	06:35	AR	Kern 6 yd pass from Franks (Reed kick)	3-67	1:00	13-14
3rd	04:13	AR	Burks 59 yd pass from Franks (Reed kick)	2-81	0:29	13-21
3rd	00:07	AR	Reed 48 yd field goal	7-49	3:04	13-24

## NATIONAL POLLS

### ASSOCIATED PRESS (SEPT. 29)

Rank	School	Points	Record
1	Alabama (40)	1549	4-0
2	Texas (19)	1525	5-0
3	Ohio State (4)	1445	4-0
<b>4</b>	<b>Tennessee</b>	<b>1356</b>	<b>4-0</b>
5	Georgia	1329	3-1
6	Oregon	1216	4-0
7	Penn State	1208	4-0
8	Miami (FL)	1170	5-0
9	Missouri	1085	4-0
10	Michigan	913	4-1
11	Southern Cal	854	3-1
12	Ole Miss	799	4-1
13	LSU	757	4-1
14	Notre Dame	748	4-1
15	Clemson	694	3-1
16	Iowa State	656	4-0
17	BYU	549	5-0
18	Utah	467	4-1
19	Oklahoma	428	4-1
20	Kansas State	398	4-1
21	Boise State	253	3-1
22	Louisville	223	3-1
23	Indiana	172	5-0
24	Illinois	169	4-1
T-25	Texas A&M	122	4-1
T-25	UNLV	122	4-0

**RV:** Arizona 106, Pittsburgh 42, Nebraska 30, Boston College 18, Iowa 17, James Madison 13, Oklahoma State 8, South Carolina 8, Rutgers 7, Kentucky 6, Navy 6, SMU 4, Army 2, Colorado 1.

### AFCA COACHES (SEPT. 29)

Rank	School	Points	Record
1	Texas (29)	1339	5-0
2	Alabama (19)	1330	4-0
3	Ohio State (7)	1281	4-0
<b>4</b>	<b>Tennessee</b>	<b>1163</b>	<b>4-0</b>
5	Georgia	1153	3-1
6	Oregon	1090	4-0
7	Penn State	1062	4-0
8	Miami (FL)	981	5-0
9	Missouri	948	4-0
10	Michigan	792	4-1
11	Ole Miss	743	4-1
12	LSU	725	4-1
13	Notre Dame	702	4-1
14	Clemson	671	3-1
15	Southern Cal	660	3-1
16	Iowa State	500	4-0
17	Oklahoma	470	4-1
18	Utah	408	4-1
19	BYU	375	5-0
20	Kansas State	242	4-1
21	Texas A&M	198	4-1
22	Louisville	197	3-1
23	UNLV	180	4-0
24	Indiana	143	5-0
25	Illinois	122	4-1

**RV:** Boise State 103, Pittsburgh 51, Arizona 44, Rutgers 35, Iowa 29, James Madison 25, Duke 22, Kentucky 17, Oklahoma State 15, SMU 14, Nebraska 12, Navy 9, Colorado 9, Boston College 6, Army West Point 3, UCF 2, Liberty 2, Tulane 1, South Carolina 1.

### VOLS IN THE POLLS WEEK-BY-WEEK

Week	AP	Coaches
Preseason	15	15
Week 2 (9/3)	14	12
Week 3 (9/8)	7	9
Week 4 (9/15)	6	7
Week 5 (9/22)	5	6
Week 6 (9/29)	4	4

The first College Football Playoff Rankings will be announced on Tuesday, Nov. 5 at 7 p.m. ET.



## 2024 HONORS

### Head Coach Josh Heupel

- Dodd Trophy Watch List
- Bear Bryant National Coach of the Week (Week 4)

### Chris Brazzell II, WR, R-So.

- Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award Watch List

### John Campbell Jr., OL, R-Sr.

- Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List

### Boo Carter, DB, Fr.

- Shaun Alexander Award Watch List
- On3 True Freshman Preseason All-American

### Bryson Eason, DL, R-Sr.

- Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List

### Max Gilbert, PK, R-So.

- SEC Special Teams Player of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/21)

### Nico Iamaleava, QB, R-Fr.

- SEC Freshman of the Week (vs. Chattanooga, 9/2; vs. NC State, 9/9; at Oklahoma, 9/21)
- Manning Award QB of the Week (vs. NC State, 9/11)
- Maxwell Award Watch List
- Shaun Alexander Award Watch List
- Polynesian College Football Player of the Year Watch List
- ESPN.com College Football Top 100 Player (No. 92)

### Joshua Josephs, DL, Jr.

- SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/21)

### Lance Heard, OL, So.

- Fourth-Team All-SEC (Athlon)

### Cooper Mays, C, Sr.

- SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (vs. NC State, 9/9)
- Outland Trophy Watch List
- Rimington Trophy Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- First-Team All-American (Walter Camp)
- Second-Team All-American (AP, ESPN, Phil Steele)
- First-Team All-SEC (Coaches, Media)
- Second-Team All-SEC (Athlon, Phil Steele)
- Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List

### Bru McCoy, WR, R-Sr.

- Wuerffel Trophy Watch List
- AFCA Good Works Team Nominee
- Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List
- Witten Award Watch List

### Jermod McCoy, DB, So.

- Thorpe Award National Defensive Back of the Week (Week 4)

### Jaxson Moi, DL, Jr.

- Polynesian College Football Player of the Year Watch List

## NOTEBOOK

### NICO TIME

- RS-Fr. **Nico Iamaleava** takes the reins at quarterback for Tennessee in 2024. The former five-star recruit from Long Beach, Calif., is making his sixth career start, second true road start and second SEC start this weekend. Iamaleava is 5-0 with two home victories, a road win at No. 15/13 Oklahoma and two neutral site wins (Citrus Bowl, Duke's Mayo Classic). Three of his five wins have come vs. ranked opponents (No. 20 Iowa, No. 24 NC State, at No. 15/13 Oklahoma).
- Tennessee has outscored opponents 226-13 in **Iamaleava's** five starts dating back to the 2024 Citrus Bowl.
- **Iamaleava**, the MVP of the 2024 Citrus Bowl in his first start, became the first Vol freshman quarterback to win a bowl game since Peyton Manning beat Virginia Tech in the 1994 Gator Bowl.
- **Iamaleava** was the first freshman QB (true or redshirt) to start an opener for the Vols since true freshman Brent Schaeffer did vs. UNLV on Sept. 5, 2004.
- **Iamaleava** has already three times been named SEC Freshman of the Week, doing so vs. Chattanooga, NC State and Oklahoma. He's already tied the school record for SEC Freshman of the Week honors set by Tyler Bray, who won it three times in a four-week span during the 2010 campaign.
- **Iamaleava** set a UT record for most passing yards in a half with 314 in his first home start vs. Chattanooga, topping the previous record of 313 by Tyler Bray in the first half vs. Troy on Nov. 3, 2012. It marked the fourth 300-yard passing total in a half in UT history. Iamaleava connected on his first 10 passes, and he finished 22-of-28 with three touchdowns and no picks in only one half of work.
- A week later in the Duke's Mayo Classic vs. NC State, **Iamaleava** earned SEC Freshman of the Week with 276 yards of total offense and three touchdowns.
- At No. 15/13 Oklahoma on Sept. 21, **Iamaleava** completed 13-of-21 passes for 194 yards and one touchdown with a career-long 66-yard TD pass to **Dont'e Thornton Jr.** in the first quarter for his third freshman honor.
- **Iamaleava** has achieved what he's done in only 12 quarters this year. He did not play in the second half vs. Chattanooga and Kent State with the games already in hand.
- **Iamaleava** has accounted for 13 touchdowns - nine passing and four rushing - in nine career games played.
- This season, **Iamaleava's** passing efficiency of 176.2 ranks 10th in the FBS and fourth in the SEC, and his completion percentage of 69.3 is 20th in the FBS and sixth in the SEC.

### TENNESSEE DEFENSIVE STREAK OF NOT ISSUING A TOUCHDOWN ENDS AT 19 QUARTERS

- Dating back to the 2024 Citrus Bowl vs. Iowa on Jan. 1, Tennessee went 19 consecutive quarters without allowing an offensive touchdown before Oklahoma crossed the goal line with 8:25 remaining in the fourth quarter on Sept. 21. It was the second-longest streak in program history, longest in the FBS in the last 20 years and longest for Tennessee since shutting out 15-straight opponents from Nov. 5, 1938 to Dec. 9, 1939.
- The Vols enter the Arkansas game having allowed only two offensive touchdowns in the last 20 quarters.

### PERFECT SEPTEMBER

- With the win at Oklahoma on Sept. 21, Tennessee secured a perfect September for the second time in three years under **Josh Heupel**. The Vols were 4-0 in September 2022.
- Since 2000, Tennessee has produced five undefeated Septembers: 2003, '04, '16, '22 and '24.
- **Heupel** was the first Tennessee coach to produce undefeated Septembers in two out of his first four seasons as a head coach since Doug Dickey went 1-0-0 in 1965 and 1-0 in 1966.

### MOST POINTS SCORED THROUGH FIRST FOUR GAMES IN MODERN ERA

- Tennessee has scored 216 points through the first four games of the season, breaking the previous modern era (since 1933) UT record of 194 set in 2022 in **Josh Heupel's** second season. The 1914 team scored 237 during its first four games for the pre-modern record. The two most prolific scoring starts to a season in the SEC era for Tennessee have occurred under Heupel.
- Tennessee averages 40.4 points per game under Heupel (since the start of 2021 season). That figure is second in the nation during that span.

#### Most Points Through First Four Games in Modern Tennessee Era (1933-present)

1. 2024 - 216
2. 2022 - 194
3. 1990 - 182

#### Most Points Through First Four Games in Pre-Modern Tennessee Era (1891-1932)

1. 237 - 1914
2. 234 - 1913
3. 207 - 1912

### FEWEST POINTS ALLOWED THROUGH FIRST FOUR GAMES SINCE 1966

- Tennessee has issued just 28 combined points this season through four games. That is the fewest point total through the first four games of a UT season since giving up 20 in 1966: 28-0 Auburn, 23-3 Rice, 3-6 Georgia Tech, 10-11 Alabama. Doug Dickey was in his third season as head coach that year.
- The current total is the seventh-fewest allowed by the Vols since 1950.

#### Fewest Points Allowed Through First Four Games Since 1950

1. 1950 - 14
2. 1960 - 17
3. 1952 - 20, 1966 - 20
5. 1851 - 26
6. 1959 - 27
7. 2024 - 28



## 2024 HONORS (cont.)

### Omarr Norman-Lott, DT, Sr.

- Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- Third-Team All-SEC (Phil Steele)

### James Pearce Jr., DE, Jr.

- Chuck Bednarik Award Watch List
- Bronko Nagurski Trophy Watch List
- Lombardi Award Watch List
- Lott Trophy Watch List
- Walter Camp Player of the Year Watch List
- Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- First-Team All-American (AP, The Athletic, Athlon, ESPN, Phil Steele, Walter Camp)
- First-Team All-SEC (Athlon, Coaches, Media, Phil Steele, Walter Camp)
- ESPN.com College Football Top 100 (1)

### Keenan Pili, LB, Sr.

- NFF Campbell Trophy Semifinalist
- Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- Polynesian College Football Player of the Year Watch List
- Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List
- Fourth-Team All-SEC (Athlon)

### Jackson Ross, P, So.

- Fourth-Team All-SEC (Phil Steele)

### Dylan Sampson, RB, Jr.

- Doak Walker Award Watch List
- Third-Team All-SEC (Athlon, Coaches)
- Fourth-Team All-SEC (Phil Steele)

### Javontez Spraggins, OL, Sr.

- Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- Third-Team All-SEC (Athlon)
- Fourth-Team All-SEC (Phil Steele)
- Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List

### Omari Thomas, DL, Sr.

- Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- Fourth-Team All-SEC (Athlon)
- Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List

### Squirrel White, WR, Jr.

- Biletnikoff Award Watch List
- Third-Team All-SEC (Athlon, Coaches, Phil Steele)

# 35

SEC Weekly Honors earned in the Josh Heupel era (2021-present)

# 6

SEC Weekly Honors earned this season

## NOTEBOOK

### SAMPSON RBI

- Jr. **Dylan Sampson** is off to a hot start through the first four games of the 2024 season:
  - Rushing TDs: 10 (1st in SEC, 2nd in FBS behind Boise State's Ashton Jeanty 13)
  - Rushing Yds: 449 (4th in SEC, 24th in FBS)
  - Rushing Yds Per Game: 112.3 (1st in SEC, 11th in FBS)
  - Rushing Yds Per Carry: 6.51 (3rd in SEC, 22nd in FBS)
  - All-Purpose Yards: 427 (3rd in SEC, 12th in FBS)
  - All-Purpose Yards Per Game: 129.8 (2nd in SEC, 21st in FBS)
  - 100-Yard Rushing Games: 3 (1st in SEC)
  - Scoring: 15.0 (1st in SEC, 3rd in FBS)
  - Total Points Scored: 60 (1st in SEC, 3rd in FBS)
- What's even more impressive is **Sampson** has done this in just 12 quarters this season. He did not play in the second half vs. Chattanooga and Kent State with the games already secured.
- **Sampson** is the third Tennessee running back in the last three seasons to score double-digit rushing TDs in a single campaign – joining Jabari Small and Jaylen Wright who had 13 and 10 in 2022, respectively.
- **Sampson** is two rushing touchdowns away from cracking the UT single-season top 10 already. Eight players are tied for 10th with 12.
- **Sampson** owns six career 100-yard rushing games, and he's done it in three out of the first four games this season. He was eight yards shy of hitting the mark vs. Oklahoma last game.
- **Sampson** has registered multi-touchdown rushing games in three out of his last four contests, and the Baton Rouge native has scored at least one touchdown in four straight games.
- According to PFF, 278 of **Sampson's** 449 rushing yards have come after contact. That ranks fourth in the SEC and 24th in the nation. He had 57 vs. Chattanooga, 98 vs. NC State, 56 vs. Kent State and 67 vs. Oklahoma. The three ahead of him in the SEC have played five games.
- **Sampson** put up a historic first half vs. Kent State on Sept. 14, scoring four rushing touchdowns while carrying the ball 13 times for 101 yards. The four rushing TDs tied the single-game school record for the modern era (since 1937) with six other players, most recently John Kelly, who had four rushing TDs vs. Georgia Tech on Sept. 4, 2017 at Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta. Sampson was the first Vol to accomplish the feat in a single half in the modern era. Prior to the modern era, Gene McEver had four rushing scores in the second half against South Carolina in 1929.
- **Sampson** is continuing a long line of successful Vol backs under **Josh Heupel**. Jaylen Wright, a 2023 All-SEC recipient, was selected in the fourth round of the 2024 NFL Draft by the Miami Dolphins. Jabari Small signed a free agent contract with the Tennessee Titans in May and is a member of their practice squad.
- **Sampson** has played in 26 career games and has scored an incredible 23 rushing touchdowns already - 24 total touchdowns including one receiving. He's two away from cracking the UT career top 10:

#### UT Career Rushing Touchdowns

1. Gene McEver (1928-31) - 37
- ...
7. Montario Hardesty (2005-09) - 26
- Travis Henry (1997-2000) - 26
- Reggie Cobb (1987-89) - 26
10. Jay Graham (1993-96) - 25
- Jimmy Streater (1976-79) - 25

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#### Dylan Sampson (2022-24) - 23

### EPIC STARTS

- Tennessee outscores opponents 519-172 in the first quarter under **Josh Heupel**, including 190-51 in 2021, 141-72 in 2022, 110-46 in 2023 and 78-3 this season. The Vols have scored at least one touchdown in the first quarter in 37 of 43 games under Heupel with the 2022 season games against Florida and Georgia and the 2023 season games vs. Austin Peay, Missouri and Iowa being the only exceptions.
- **Josh Heupel** teams are known for quick starts. In 79 games as a head coach, Heupel's squads have outscored opponents 966-386 in the first quarter (519-172 at UT, 447-214 at UCF). Since 2018, no active FBS head coach scores more points per first quarter in a career than Heupel (12.23). Texas State's G.J. Kline is second (12.12). *minimum one season already coached; via SportSource*
- From 2021-present under Heupel, the Vols are first in the nation in first-quarter scoring at 12.07 points per game. Ole Miss is second at 10.11, and SMU is third at 9.82. Tennessee is also first in first-half scoring during that same span at 23.91. Ohio State is second at 22.28.
- In the last four seasons combined under **Heupel** (since 2021), Tennessee is first in the FBS in first-quarter scoring differential (+8.07). Ohio State is second at +5.81.
- Heupel's teams have scored at least one touchdown in the first quarter in 70 of the 79 games he has coached.
- In 2023, Tennessee scored on its first offensive drive in nine out of the 13 games it played, and its done the same in two of its first four games of 2024. The Vols punted on their first drive vs. NC State and Oklahoma.
- In 2024, Tennessee is outscoring opponents an incredible 78-3 in the first quarter and 149-6 in the first half. The Vols' +143 scoring margin in the first half this season is first in the nation. The average first-half scoring margin of +35.75 is also first. Alabama is second at +22.75. NC State and Oklahoma both managed first-quarter field goals, but that was it.
- The Vols have not allowed a TD in the first half in five straight games. Vanderbilt was the last team to score a first-half TD on the Vols on a 19-yd pass with 11:34 to go in the first quarter on Nov. 25.



## VOL TRENDS

	HEUP		
	2024	AT UT	STK
August	1-0	1-0	W1
September	3-0	13-3	W5
October	0-0	8-3	W1
November	0-0	7-5	W1
December	0-0	1-1	W1
vs. above .500 (time of game)	2-0	14-11	W3
vs. below .500 (time of game)	1-0	9-0	W10
vs. at .500 (time of game)	1-0	7-1	W2
SEC at home	0-0	9-3	W1
SEC on road	1-0	6-7	W2
in Orange J/White P	0-0	13-1	W2
in Orange J/Orange P	1-0	6-1	W5
in White J/White P	2-0	6-5	W3
in White J/Orange P	0-0	1-3	L2
in Dark Mode	0-0	3-1	W2
in Smokey Grey	1-0	3-0	W3

### UT vs. Non-Conference Opponents

overall	3-0	16-2	W13
at home	2-0	11-1	W10
on the road	0-0	1-1	W1
neutral	1-0	4-1	W4

### UT Record In Games ...

decided by 7 pts or less	0-0	6-3	W5
decided by 3 pts or less	0-0	2-1	W1
Home during the day	1-0	12-2	W2
Home at night	1-0	8-2	W7
Road during the day	0-0	3-3	L3
Road at night	1-0	4-4	W2

### UT Record When ...

scoring first	4-0	28-7	W6
opponent scores first	0-0	3-5	L1
leading after the 1st quarter	4-0	26-6	W7
trailing after the 1st quarter	0-0	1-5	L3
tied after the 1st quarter	0-0	4-1	W1
leading at halftime	4-0	30-1	W7
trailing at halftime	0-0	1-11	L2
tied at halftime	0-0	0-0	L6
halftime lead/deficit 4 pts	0-0	2-1	W1
leading after the 3rd quarter	4-0	30-1	W23
trailing after the 3rd quarter	0-0	1-11	L6
tied after the 3rd quarter	0-0	0-0	L2
3rd qtr lead/deficit 4 pts	0-0	2-2	L1
tied after 4th quarter/OT	0-0	1-1	W1
turnover margin even	2-0	8-3	W3
turnover margin +1 or better	2-0	18-4	W3
turnover margin +2 or better	0-0	10-1	W7
turnover margin +3 or better	0-0	4-0	W8
turnover margin -1 or worse	0-0	5-5	W1
turnover margin -2 or worse	0-0	1-3	L3
turnover margin -3 or worse	0-0	0-1	L1
scoring less than 20 pts	0-0	0-6	L12
scoring 20 or more pts	4-0	31-5	W8
scoring 25 or more pts	4-0	30-4	W14
allowing 14 or fewer pts	3-0	17-0	W35
allowing 25 or fewer pts	4-0	25-0	W26
allowing 30 or more pts	0-0	3-11	L5

### UT Record With ...

less than 300 yds total offense	0-0	0-2	L6
300+ yds total offense	4-0	31-10	W6
400+ yds total offense	3-0	27-5	W6
500+ yds total offense	2-0	15-2	W6
600+ yds total offense	2-0	8-1	W7
less than 100 yds rushing	0-0	1-4	L2
100+ yds rushing	3-0	29-8	W5
150+ yds rushing	3-0	27-3	W13
200+ yds rushing	3-0	24-2	W18
250+ yds rushing	2-0	13-1	W9
less than 200 yds passing	1-0	6-2	W2
less than 300 yds passing	3-0	19-9	W4
300+ yds passing	1-0	12-3	W3
350+ yds passing	1-0	8-2	W3
400+ yds passing	1-0	5-0	W6

## NOTEBOOK

### TENNESSEE BOASTS THE SEC'S TOP TWO LEADING SCORERS

- Tennessee's record-setting start has led two Vols atop the SEC's scoring chart. Jr. RB **Dylan Sampson** leads the league with 60 total points and 15.0 per game, while RS-Fr. kicker **Max Gilbert** is second with 54 points and a 13.5 average. Sampson is tied for second nationally. Gilbert is tied for fourth nationally and leads all kickers in the category.
- Gilbert** is 10-of-11 on the year on field goals and 24-of-24 on PATs. His long make is a 45-yarder, and his lone miss was a 53-yarder vs. NC State.
- Gilbert** was named the SEC Special Teams Player of the Week following the Sept. 21 win at Oklahoma. He was 3-of-3 on field goals and drilled both of his PATs. He made field goals of 27 yards, 41 yards and 32 yards. He accounted for all six of the Vols' points in the second half that finished off the game.

### MODERN ERA RECORD FOR POINTS HIGHLIGHT KENT STATE 71-0 SHUTOUT

- In a 71-0 blanking of Kent State on Sept. 14, Tennessee set modern era school records (since 1937) in total offensive yards (740), points in a game (71), points in a quarter (37 in first quarter), points in a half (65 in first half) and margin of victory (+71).
- Tennessee's 71 points broke the previous modern era top mark of 70 vs. UL-Monroe on Sept. 23, 2000. Including games before the modern era, it was the 11th time the Volunteers had ever scored 70-plus points in a game and the first since tallying 73 on Nov. 9, 1929, versus Carson-Newman, four years before Tennessee joined the SEC. The 71 points ranked 10th on the program's all-time list, regardless of era.
- The 71 vs. Kent State was the first time an SEC team scored 70-plus points in regulation against an FBS opponent since Ole Miss registered 73 versus Fresno State on Sept. 12, 2015.
- The Vols won by 70-plus points for the 10th time in program history, including the first in the modern era (since 1937).
- Tennessee amassed 740 total yards to set a school record, eclipsing the prior top mark of 724 against Missouri on Nov. 12, 2022. This was the second time in three outings in 2024 the Volunteers had posted 700-plus yards after previously doing so twice all-time. Tennessee had 718 yards, tied for its second-most ever, in its opener against Chattanooga on Aug. 31. T
- Four of the top five yardage marks in Tennessee history are in the last three seasons under the direction of **Josh Heupel**. In addition to the three aforementioned games, the Volunteers notched 696 yards versus UT Martin on Oct. 22, 2022.
- The 740 yards by Tennessee against Kent State tied for the 10th-most in SEC history and for the fifth-highest such mark against an FBS foe.
- The Vols led 37-0 after one quarter of play vs. Kent State, setting a new program record for points in a period in the modern era (since 1937). The prior record was 35 in the first quarter against Arkansas on Nov. 11, 2000.
- Tennessee took a 65-0 lead into the halftime break to set a new school modern era (since 1937) record for points in a half. The prior mark, also under **Heupel**, was 52 on Oct. 22, 2022, in the first half versus UT Martin. Previously, the record in said era for points in a half against an FBS team was 49 before the intermission against UL Monroe on Sept. 23, 2000.
- Per ESPN Stats and Info, Tennessee's 65 first-half points vs. Kent State marked the most in a half by any team in at least the last 20 seasons. Tennessee finished 11 points shy of the FBS record for points in a half. The all-time mark is 76 by Houston on Nov. 23, 1968, versus Tulsa.
- The Vols scored 50-plus points in the first three games of a season for the second time in school history and first since 1913. That year, UT beat Carson-Newman 58-0, Athens 95-0 and Maryville 75-0. Tennessee joined 2018 Alabama as the only SEC programs to accomplish the 50-point feat in the AP Poll era.

### THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE DUKE'S MAYO CLASSIC 51-10 WIN OVER #24/23 NC STATE

- Tennessee earned its ninth win over an AP Top 25 opponent under **Josh Heupel** and its most lopsided win over a ranked foe in the Heupel era by a score of 51-0 vs. NC State on Sept. 7. The 41-point margin of victory was the highest for the Vols against any AP ranked team since defeating No. 9 Florida, 45-3, on Oct. 13, 1990.
- The win marked UT's highest margin of victory against a ranked opponent away from home since downing No. 18 Auburn, 42-0, on the road in Sept. 27, 1980.
- UT's 41-point margin of victory vs. NC State was its third-highest against a ranked opponent in school history since the AP poll began in 1936.
- Tennessee limited the Wolfpack to just 143 yards of total offense (104 passing, 39 rushing) - the fewest yards allowed during the **Josh Heupel** era before breaking that mark a week later vs. Kent State (112).
- NC State's 143 yards of total offense were the fewest allowed by Tennessee against an AP ranked opponent since allowing 110 vs. No. 11 Auburn on Sept. 29, 1973.
- The 249 rushing yards by the Vols were the most allowed by NC State in a regular season game since North Carolina had 300 in November 2021. The 460 yards by the UT offense were the most allowed by NC State since Louisiana Tech had 480 on Oct. 2, 2021.

### NINE FIRST-TIME STARTERS IN 2024

- Seven players made their first Tennessee starts in the opener vs. Chattanooga on Aug. 31, including three on offense and four on defense. They included: WR **Chris Brazzell II** (also made eight starts at Tulane), LB **Arion Carter**, STAR DB **Christian Harrison**, OL **Lance Heard**, TE **Miles Kitselman**, DB **Jermod McCoy** (five starts at Oregon State) and DB **Jalen McMurray** (23 starts at Temple).
- During its 51-10 blowout of No. 24/23 NC State on Sept. 7, DE **Joshua Josephs** and TE **Holden Staes** earned their first UT starts. Staes had previously started nine games in two seasons at Notre Dame.
- Tennessee did not have any first-time starters vs. Kent State or Oklahoma.



ON THIS DAY...

OCT.  
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**THE RECORD:** 11-4  
**THE STREAK:** L2  
**LAST TIME:**  
2019, Tennessee fell to Georgia, 14-43

**DID YOU KNOW:**

The last time Tennessee played Arkansas on this date was in 2002. The Vols emerged victorious in a six-overtime thriller inside Neyland Stadium.

**VOLS IN THE NFL (36)**

NAME	TEAM	POS.	YR.
Micah Abernathy	Falcons	S	3
Derek Barnett	Texans	DE	8
Matthew Butler*	Raiders	DT	3
Morgan Cox	Titans	LS	15
Joshua Dobbs	49ers	QB	8
Princeton Fant*	Cowboys	TE	2
Kamal Hadden*	Packers	DB	1
Hendon Hooker	Lions	QB	2
Jalin Hyatt	Giants	WR	2
Theo Jackson	Vikings	DB	3
Jauan Jennings	49ers	WR	4
Gabe Judy-Lally*	Titans	CB	1
Jakob Johnson*	Giants	FB	7
Velus Jones Jr.	Bears	WR	3
Alvin Kamara	Saints	RB	8
John Kelly Jr.*	Ravens	RB	7
Ramel Keyton	Raiders	WR	1
Cade Mays*	Giants	OL	3
Jaylen McCollough	Rams	DB	1
Joe Milton III	Patriots	QB	1
Emmanuel Moseley*	Lions	CB	7
Josh Palmer	Chargers	WR	4
Cordarelle Patterson	Steelers	RB	12
Jalen Reeves-Maybin	Lions	LB	8
Jabari Small*	Titans	RB	1
Trey Smith	Chiefs	OL	4
Cameron Sutton	Steelers	CB	8
Alontae Taylor	Saints	DB	3
Darrell Taylor	Bears	OLB	4
Cedric Tillman	Browns	WR	2
Shy Tuttle	Panthers	DL	6
Kendal Vickers*	Saints	DT	5
Dee Williams	Seahawks	DB/RS	1
Darnell Wright	Bears	OL	2
Jaylen Wright	Dolphins	RB	1
Byron Young	Rams	DE	2

\* - denotes practice squad  
^ - denotes IR

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**42 MAKE TENNESSEE DEBUT THIS SEASON**

- Thirty-seven players made their Tennessee debuts during the Chattanooga season opener, including 19 true freshmen: DB **Kaleb Beasley**, DB **Colin Brazzell**, DB **Boo Carter**, DB **Edrees Farooq**, DL **Carson Gentle**, OL **Gage Ginther**, DB **Marcus Goree Jr.**, TE **Cole Harrison**, DL **Isaiah Inge**, RB **Peyton Lewis**, DL **Kellen Lindstrom**, DB **Jackson Mathews**, QB **Jake Merklinger**, OL **Jesse Perry**, DL **Jordan Ross**, OL **William Satterwhite**, LB **Ryan Scott**, LB **Grier Short** and OL **Bennett Warren**.
- Twelve transfers saw their first action as Vols in Week 1: DL **Mike Bethea II** (FBS debut), WR **Chris Brazzell II**, OL **Lance Heard**, TE **Miles Kitselman**, DB **Jermod McCoy**, DB **Jalen McMurray**, DL **Jaxson Moi**, LB **Eli Purcell** (FBS debut), TE **Holden Staes**, DB **Jakobe Thomas**, DL **Jamal Wallace** (FBS debut) and WR **Tommy Winton III**.
- Additionally, five redshirt freshmen made their collegiate debuts against the Mocs: RB **DeSean Bishop**, OL **Ayden Bussell**, PK **Max Gilbert**, WR **Nate Spillman** and DL **Tyree Weathersby**.
- Redshirt junior defensive lineman **Tim Amet** rounded out UT's 37 players to make their debut on Aug. 31.
- During the Vols' historic 71-0 blanking of Kent State on Sept. 14, five players made their UT debuts, including WR **Braylon Harmon**, WR **Malcolm Kinzer**, WR **Mike Matthews**, WR **Braylon Staley** and LB **Edwin Spillman**.

**SPECIAL TEAMS SUCCESS**

- Tennessee has thrived on special teams under coordinator **Mike Ekeler**, who is in his fourth season with the program.
- The Vols have returned at least one punt OR one kickoff for a touchdown in all three previous seasons under Ekeler and **Josh Heupel**: Dee Williams (2023 - PR vs. Texas A&M), Dee Williams (2022 - PR at Vanderbilt) and Velus Jones Jr. (2021 - KR vs. South Alabama).
- Tennessee has ranked either first or second in the SEC in punt return average in all four of Ekeler's seasons, and the Vols have been first in the league in punt return defense in two out of his three previous years. The Vols are currently second in the SEC in punt return average in 2024, putting up 18.85 yards per return.
- Tennessee has racked up a stellar 1,083 punt return yards and allowed only 53 total punt return yards during Ekeler's tenure (2021-present). Oklahoma became the first team to return a punt on the Vols this season, logging five for a total of 30 yards.
- Under Ekeler, the Vols have produced an SEC Special Teams Player of the Year (RS Velus Jones Jr. in 2021), an SEC All-Freshman punter (**Jackson Ross** in 2023, back in 2024) and the school's all-time career leader in punt return average (Dee Williams 15.4 from 2022-23).
- Tennessee has blocked nine kicks in the Ekeler/Heupel era (2021-present), including six blocked punts. The Vols ranked third in the nation and first in the SEC with four blocked kicks during the 2023 season.
- Tennessee did it again in Week 1 vs. Chattanooga, as true freshman defensive end **Jordan Ross**, making his collegiate debut, blocked a punt and returned it 49 yards for a touchdown with 1:07 left in the fourth quarter. Ross was the first Vol to return a blocked punt for a touchdown since Daniel Bituli returned one 29 yards vs. South Carolina on Oct. 26, 2019.

**Blocked Kicks/Punts in Josh Heupel Era (2021-pres.) (9 - 6 blocked punts, 2 blocked PAT, 1 blocked FG)**

Date	Opponent	Play	Quarter
9/11/21	Pittsburgh	Christian Charles blocked punt	1Q
10/23/21	at Alabama	De'Shawn Rucker blocked punt	3Q
10/29/22	Kentucky	Da'Jon Terry blocked PAT	1Q
10/29/22	Kentucky	Kalib Perry blocked punt	2Q
9/16/23	at Florida	Omari Thomas blocked PAT	1Q
9/16/23	at Florida	Bryson Eason blocked 46-yd field goal attempt	1Q
9/23/23	UTSA	Jourdan Thomas blocked punt	1Q
11/25/23	Vanderbilt	Kalib Perry blocked punt	1Q
8/31/24	Chattanooga	Jordan Ross blocked punt, returned 13 yds for TD	4Q

**RACKING UP NEGATIVE PLAYS DEFENSIVELY**

- **Tim Banks** is in his fourth season as defensive coordinator for the Vols, and he has established an attacking identity of creating negative plays.
- Tennessee has racked up 328.0 tackles for loss under Banks (7.63 per game since start of 2021 season). The Vols have finished in the top 15 nationally and top two in the SEC in all three seasons under Banks. Three out of the 12 highest tackle-for-loss seasons in Tennessee history have occurred under Banks' watch: 2021 (fifth - 102), 2022 (12th - 94) and (seventh - 101).
- Tennessee saw a streak of at least one sack end at 19 consecutive games vs. Kent State in Week 3.
- 20 times in the **Tim Banks/Josh Heupel** era have the Vols registered at least three sacks in a game, and they are 18-2 in those contests when doing so with the only losses coming at Alabama on Oct. 21, 2023, and at Mizzou on Nov. 11, 2023. The Vols had three sacks vs. NC State in Week 2 and three in the win at Oklahoma on Sept. 21.
- The Vols have tallied double-digit tackles for loss in a game under **Banks** 12 times, including most recently 13 vs. NC State on Sept. 7 and 11 vs. Oklahoma on Sept. 21.
- This season, 22 different players have at least 0.5 tackle for loss and 10 have multiple TFLs. DE **Tyre West** leads the way with 3.5. DT **Jaxson Moi**, DE **Joshua Josephs** and LB **Arion Carter** each have 2.5.
- So, LB **Arion Carter** leads the Vols with 15 total tackles, while Sr. LB **Keenan Pili** is second with 14.
- To illustrate the Vols' outstanding depth on the defensive line, 12 players were part of the rotation at Oklahoma. 11 of those 12 made a tackle, including five with at least 0.5 tackle for loss.



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**RUSHING DEFENSE GETS IT DONE**

- Since the start of the 2022 season, the Vols are giving up only 93.40 yards per game on the ground, which is fifth in the FBS and first in the SEC during that span. Michigan is first in the FBS at 85.58. Texas is second in the SEC at 104.88.
- The Vols have limited all four of their opponents this season under 100 yards rushing, and they have limited opponents to under 100 yards rushing 21 times in the DC **Tim Banks** era (since 2021 season). In fact, all four opponents vs. the Vols this season have failed to hit the 75-yard rushing mark.
- On Sept. 21, Tennessee limited Oklahoma to a season-low 36 yards rushing. It was the fewest rushing yards allowed by Tennessee against an SEC opponent since giving up 19 against Florida during the 2020 season. The 36 rushing yards were the fewest by Oklahoma in a game since registering 15 yards vs. Notre Dame on Oct. 27, 2012.
- In 2024, the Vols are second in the SEC and second in the nation in rushing defense, allowing only 50.8 yards per game. Ole Miss is first at 46.2.
- UT is tied for the SEC lead and tied for third nationally in fewest rushing touchdowns allowed with one. Oklahoma managed a 1-yard rush TD in the final minute of that game.
- Opponents are averaging only 1.57 yards per rush against Tennessee in 2024, which is second in the nation.
- Tennessee was 7-0 last season when holding opponents to under 100 yards rushing, and they are 4-0 this season. They have won their last 15 games when holding an opponent to under 100 yards rushing dating back to 2021.

**NOTING THE OFFENSIVE LINE**

- Tennessee's offensive line is coming off back-to-back seasons of being a semifinalist for the Joe Moore Award. The Vols joined Oregon, Georgia and Michigan as the only schools to be named semifinalists in 2022 and 2023.
- Four of the five starters on last year's line returned in 2024 headlined by preseason All-American center **Cooper Mays** (fifth year). He's joined by tackle **John Campbell Jr.** (seventh collegiate year, second at UT), right guard **Javontez Spraggins** (fifth year), **Andrej Karic** (fifth collegiate year, second at UT) and **Jackson Lampley** (sixth year) started at guard in 2023. Karic, a Texas transfer, is returning from injury and missed the final eight games of the 2023 season.
- The Vols brought in former five-star recruit **Lance Heard** to play offensive tackle. Heard joined the squad in January and was an SEC All-Freshman selection at LSU last season. He saw action on 195 offensive snaps and did not allow a sack. He was considered the second-highest ranked offensive tackle in the portal. Heard missed the Kent State and Oklahoma games due to injury.
- UT's 2024 offensive line has combined for 133 collegiate starts led by guard **Javontez Spraggins'** 41.
- **Mays** earned SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week honors for the second time in his career following the Vols' dominant 51-10 win over NC State on Sept. 7. Mays has not allowed a sack in 17 straight games. It was the 10th time in the **Josh Heupel** era that someone has earned SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week.

**EXPERIENCE, DEPTH MAKE UP 2024 VOLS**

- Head coach **Josh Heupel** has built a roster full of depth and experience four years into his tenure.
- There are 411 combined career starts on this team among 36 players – 225 on offense and 186 on defense. This includes players' time at other FBS schools. In terms of career starts only at Tennessee there are 284 – 174 on offense and 110 on defense.

**SCORING ON THE FIRST OFFENSIVE PLAY FROM SCRIMMAGE**

- Five times during the **Josh Heupel** era (2021-present), Tennessee has scored on its first offensive play from scrimmage to start a game.
- The Vols did it twice in 2023. RB Jaylen Wright was the latest to join the party, bursting through for 75 yards to start the game and put the Vols up 7-0 vs. No. 1 Georgia on Nov. 18, 2023.

**Scoring on UT's First Offensive Play From Scrimmage In Josh Heupel Era**

Date	Opponent	Play	Result
9/11/21	Pittsburgh	Jabari Small 2-yd TD run following blocked punt	L, 41-34
11/6/21	at Kentucky	JaVonta Payton 75-yd TD reception from H. Hooker	W, 45-42
9/1/22	Ball State	Jalin Hyatt 23-yd TD reception from H. Hooker	W, 59-10
9/23/23	UTSA	Joe Milton III 81-yd TD run	W, 45-14
11/18/23	Georgia	Jaylen Wright 75-yd TD run	L, 38-10

**TIGHT ENDS THRIVE IN HEUPEL SYSTEM**

- Tennessee's tight ends have been productive under coach **Alec Abeln**. Vol tight ends have scored at least one receiving touchdown in five out of the last six games dating back to last season's Vanderbilt contest. They have combined for seven touchdowns during that six-game stretch and four this season.
- A new look tight end room features RS-Fr. **Ethan Davis**, Notre Dame transfer **Holden Staes** and Alabama transfer **Miles Kitselman**. Each has caught at least one touchdown this season.
- The Vols added to that total in the Chattanooga opener when **Davis** caught his first career touchdown pass, a 4-yarder from **Nico Iamaleava**, with 8:34 in the first quarter. In Week 2 vs. NC State, **Kitselman** hauled in a 15-yarder with 10:27 in the third quarter, and **Staes** had an 18-yarder with 8:22 in the fourth quarter. Kitselman added another a week later with a 15-yarder in the second quarter vs. Kent State. UT tight ends did not score at Oklahoma.
- In 2023, Vol tight ends accounted for 44 receptions for 538 yards and nine touchdowns. The nine TDs were the second-most by a tight end unit in the SEC, behind only Georgia. Tennessee's nine receiving touchdowns by tight ends were the most by a Vol TE unit since the 2007 group caught nine touchdowns.
- Through four games this season, Tennessee tight ends have combined for 15 catches for 151 yards and four touchdowns.
- In the **Josh Heupel** era (since 2021), tight ends have accounted for 25 touchdowns - 20 receiving and five rushing. From 2018-20, UT tight ends combined for six scores.

**IN JOSH HEUPEL'S 79 GAMES AS A HEAD COACH (UCF & UT)**

- His teams have scored 30 points 65 times (32 times at Tennessee) and own a 57-8 record when doing so. The times his teams did not hit 30 points were at Cincinnati (2019), Tulsa (2020), BYU (2020), Florida (2021 and 2023), Ole Miss (2021), Alabama (2021 and 2023), Georgia (2021, 2022, 2023), Texas A&M (2023), Missouri (2023) and Oklahoma (2024).
- His teams have scored 40 points 43 times (23 times at Tennessee).
- His teams have scored 50 points 23 times (13 times at Tennessee).
- His teams have scored 60 points eight times (seven times at Tennessee).
- His teams have put up 400 yards of total offense in a game 66 times (32 times at Tennessee).
- His teams have put up 500 yards of total offense in a game 38 times (17 times at Tennessee).
- His teams have put up 600 yards of total offense in a game 21 times (nine times at Tennessee).
- \* His teams have put up 700 yards of total offense in a game four times (three at Tennessee).

**Games Scoring 30+ Points Since 2018 By Active Head Coach**

1. Lincoln Riley, Oklahoma, USC - 67
2. **Josh Heupel, UCF, Tennessee - 65**
3. Dabo Swinney, Clemson - 61

**Games Scoring 40+ Points Since 2018 By Active Head Coach**

1. Lincoln Riley, Oklahoma, USC - 50
2. **Josh Heupel, UCF, Tennessee - 43**
3. Dabo Swinney, Clemson - 40

**FAST, FUN, REAL**

- In the last four seasons combined (since 2021) under **Josh Heupel**, Tennessee is second in the nation in offensive plays per minute at 2.74. Ole Miss is first at 2.74.
- During that same span, the Vols are averaging 1.60 offensive points per minute, which is first in the FBS per SportSource Analytics.
- Since the start of the 2018 season (when Heupel became head coach at UCF), Heupel-coached teams lead the nation in offensive plays per minute (2.87), and they are first in offensive points per minute (1.62). (*min. at least one full season coached*)

**DEFENSIVE TOUCHDOWNS IN THE TIM BANKS ERA**

- Tennessee has a knack for racking up defensive touchdowns under defensive coordinator **Tim Banks**.
- The Vols led the FBS and the SEC in defensive touchdowns during the 2023 season with five.
- This season, the Vols have one as Sr. S **Will Brooks** became the latest to join the party, returning an interception 85 yards for a touchdown to put Tennessee ahead 17-3 with 3:29 remaining in the second quarter vs. NC State



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on Sept. 7. It was Tennessee's first pick-six of the season and the eighth of the **Josh Heupel/Banks** era. The 85-yard return was the 10th-longest interception return in UT history and longest for the Vols since Daniel Bituli had a 97-yard pick-six at Alabama in 2017.

- Tennessee has tallied nine defensive touchdowns in the DC **Tim Banks/HC Josh Heupel** era. They are 7-0 when recording a defensive score:

Opponent	Date	Play
Tennessee Tech	9/18/21	Solon Page 31-yd interception return (3Q)
at Kentucky	11/6/21	Alontae Taylor 56-yd interception return (3Q)
Vanderbilt	11/27/21	Theo Jackson 55-yd interception return (1Q)
South Carolina	11/30/23	Kamal Hadden 28-yd interception return (2Q)
UConn	11/4/23	Tyler Baron 24-yd fumble return (2Q)
UConn	11/4/23	Jaylen McCollough 30-yd interception return (3Q)
UConn	11/4/23	Aaron Beasley 39-yard interception return (3Q)
Iowa (Citrus)	1/1/24	James Pearce Jr. 52-yard interception return (4Q)
NC State	9/7/24	Will Brooks 85-yard interception return (2Q)

### MORE THAN 2,000 RUSH YARDS THREE STRAIGHT SEASONS

- Josh Heupel** Tennessee teams have gone over 2,000 rushing yards for three straight seasons. They finished the 2023 campaign with 2,663 yards. Last season, they averaged 204.8 yards per game on the ground, which led the SEC and ranked ninth nationally.
- It was the first time since 1990-94 (five straight seasons) that the Vols produced more than 2,000 rushing yards in at least three straight seasons.
- In six seasons as a head coach, **Josh Heupel's** teams have gone over 2,000 rushing yards all six seasons. His UCF teams rushed for 3,448 in 2018; 2,909 in 2019 and 2,107 during the COVID-shortened season of 2020.
- This season, the Vols are already well on their way to 2,000 with 1,160 through four games. They once again lead the SEC in rushing and rank fourth nationally with 290.0 yards per game.

### RUNNING BACKS RARELY LOSE FUMBLES

- Tennessee running backs did not lose a fumble on a rush during the 2023 season, and they haven't this year. Four running backs who have carried the ball on the current roster have never lost a fumble.

RB	Consec. Rushes W/O Lost Fumble	Last Lost Fumble on Rush
Dylan Sampson	233 (106 in 2023, 69 in 2024)	never
DeSean Bishop	38 (38 in 2024)	never
Cameron Seldon	32 (25 in 2023, 7 in 2024)	never
Khalifa Keith	28 (11 in 2023, 17 in 2024)	never
Peyton Lewis	17 (17 in 2024)	never

### BISHOP'S EMERGENCE

- RS-Fr. RB **DeSean Bishop** saw his first collegiate action in the opener, and the local Knoxville product currently leads the Vols and ranks fourth in the SEC in yards per carry at 7.55.
- Bishop's** 71.75 rushing average per game ranks seventh in the SEC.
- Bishop** finished with a game-high 120 yards and two touchdowns in his third collegiate game vs. Kent State on Sept. 14.

### SECONDARY ON THE RISE, JERMOD MCCOY NATIONAL DB OF WEEK

- Tennessee's defensive secondary has been outstanding so far in 2024. The Vols are giving up only 125.3 passing yards per game, which is second in the SEC and fourth in the nation.
- Tennessee is tied for the national lead in fewest touchdown passes allowed this season with one. Minnesota, Iowa State and Texas have also allowed only one.
- The longest pass play that Tennessee has allowed this season was 46 yards by Oklahoma. The Vols have allowed only three pass plays of over 20 yards this season, which is the fewest in the nation. USC is second with four.
- A big part of that success has come from Oregon State transfer cornerback **Jermody McCoy**. McCoy was named the Jim Thorpe Award National Defensive Back of the Week following the Sept. 21 win at Oklahoma. McCoy registered three tackles, one pass breakup and one interception that he returned 17 yards. According to PFF, McCoy logged 48 coverage snaps and did not allow a completion all night, while registering a 0.0 passer grade.
- According to PFF, **McCoy** ranks sixth in the nation and second in the SEC in coverage grades among cornerbacks this season (89.7). He has not given up a touchdown pass.

### HEUPEL TOP SIX NATIONALLY IN WINS SINCE 2018

- Since the start of the 2018 season when **Josh Heupel** became a head coach, he has won 59 of the 79 games he has coached. That ranks sixth among active FBS head coaches during that span.
- Of Heupel's** 31 victories at Tennessee, 10 have come vs. ranked opponents at the time of the meeting. The Vols had only seven ranked wins in the six seasons combined prior to Heupel (2015-20). The 10 ranked wins are third among active FBS head coaches since the start of the 2021 season.

### Wins Since Start of 2018 Season Among Active FBS Head Coaches

- Kirby Smart, Georgia - 76
- Dabo Swinney, Clemson - 72
- Brian Kelly, Notre Dame and LSU - 68
- Lincoln Riley, Oklahoma and USC - 66
- Luke Fickell, Cincinnati and Wisconsin - 62
- Josh Heupel, UCF and Tennessee - 59**
- Ryan Day, Ohio State - 57
- Kirk Ferentz, Iowa - 56
- James Franklin, Penn State - 56

### Wins Over Ranked Teams By Active FBS Coaches Since Start 2021 Season

- Kirby Smart, Georgia - 17
- Kalen DeBoer, Washington and Alabama - 13
- Josh Heupel, Tennessee - 10**
- Mike Gundy, Oklahoma State - 9
- Marcus Freeman, Notre Dame - 9
- Kyle Whittingham, Utah - 8

### GAMES WITH A 100-YARD RECEIVER AND 100-YARD RUSHER

- Tennessee has produced 23 individual 100-yard receiving games in the **Josh Heupel** era.
- Seven times in the Heupel era (since 2021) have the Vols produced a 100-yard receiver and 100-yard rusher in the same game. UT added to that total in Week 1 vs. Chattanooga when **Dylan Sampson** (rushing) and **Dont'e Thornton Jr.** (receiving) achieved the feat:

Date	Opponent	Rusher/Receiver	Result
10/9/21	So. Carolina	Evans (119)/Jones Jr. (103)	W, 45-20
11/27/21	Vanderbilt	Wright (112), Small (103)/Tillman (106)	W, 45-21
12/30/21	vs. Purdue	Small (180)/Tillman (150)	L, 48-45
9/24/22	#20 Florida	Hooker (112)/McCoy (102)	W, 38-33
10/8/22	at #25 LSU	Small (127)/McCoy (140)	W, 40-13
9/30/23	So. Carolina	Wright (123)/White (104)	W, 41-20
8/31/24	Chattanooga	Sampson (124)/Thornton Jr. (105)	W, 69-3

### 3,000 YARDS TOTAL OFFENSE, THE NORM FOR HEUPEL QB'S

- Josh Heupel** quarterbacks typically produce 3,000 yards of total offense in a season. Dating back to 2006, his first season as a QB coach at Oklahoma, Heupel proteges have achieved the feat 13 times.
- From 1950-2020, Tennessee had a player produce 3,000 yards of total offense in a season only five times. In three previous seasons under Heupel, the Vols have done it each season with Joe Milton III becoming the latest in 2023.
- RS-Fr. **Nico Iamaleava** already has 1,009 yards of total offense this season.
- Tennessee is one of only three programs over the last five years to have back-to-back drafts with a quarterback pick. Hendon Hooker went in the 2023 third round to Detroit, and Milton went in the sixth round to New England in 2024.

Year	Player	School	Total Offense
2007	Fr. Sam Bradford	Oklahoma	3,128
2008	So. Sam Bradford	Oklahoma	4,767
2009	Fr. Landry Jones	Oklahoma	3,085
2010	So. Landry Jones	Oklahoma	4,590
2011	Jr. Landry Jones	Oklahoma	4,439
2012	Sr. Landry Jones	Oklahoma	4,162
2016	So. Drew Lock	Missouri	3,522
2017	Jr. Drew Lock	Missouri	4,075
2019	Fr. Dillon Gabriel	UCF	3,731
2020	So. Dillon Gabriel	UCF	3,739
2021	Sr. Hendon Hooker	Tennessee	3,561
2022	Sr. Hendon Hooker	Tennessee	3,565
2023	Sr. Joe Milton III	Tennessee	3,112



## NOTEBOOK

### POLLING POSITION

- Tennessee moved up two spots to No. 4 in the AP Top 25 this week and one spot to No. 4 in the AFCA Coaches poll. The No. 4 ranking is the Vols' highest since being tabbed No. 2/3 on Oct. 30, 2022.
- Tennessee has been ranked for 36 consecutive weeks in the Coaches poll, which dates back to Sept. 11, 2022. That streak is the Vols' longest in that poll since being ranked 92 straight weeks from Nov. 27, 1994 to Oct. 1, 2000.
- Tennessee is the only team in the country with two wins over AP Top 25 teams at the time of the game. The Vols beat No. 24/23 NC State and topped No. 15/13 Oklahoma.
- Since the start of the 2022 season, Tennessee owns nine wins over ranked teams, a mark that is tied for third nationally during that span.

### Wins Over Ranked Teams Since Start of 2022 Season

- Georgia - 11
- Washington - 10
- Tennessee**, Notre Dame, Alabama - 9

### DEFENDING NEYLAND STADIUM

- Neyland Stadium has returned as one of the toughest places to play in the country under head coach **Josh Heupel**.
- Tennessee owns a 20-4 record in Neyland Stadium under Heupel and has won 15 of its last 16 games it has played there with the only loss during that span coming to top-ranked Georgia.
- The Vols have outscored opponents 2,001-444 in Neyland in the Heupel era. 17 of those 20 victories have come by double-digits.
- The Vols were a combined 13-1 in the two previous seasons in Neyland Stadium (2022-23). That was the highest two-year win total in Neyland since winning 13 from 1998-99.
- The Vols' 15 home wins since the start of the 2022 season are tied for sixth in the nation during that span.
- Tennessee has won seven straight night games in Neyland Stadium.

### RETURNING FROM SEASON-ENDING INJURIES

- The Vols are welcoming back seven key players who sustained season-ending injuries in 2023. They include:  
Sr. OT **John Campbell Jr.** - starter at tackle; missed final 3 games due to lower body injury  
So. LB **Arion Carter\*** - contributor at LB as a true freshman; missed final 5 games due to upper body injury  
Sr. OG **Andrej Karic\*** - starter at guard; missed final 8 games due to lower body injury  
Sr. WR **Bru McCoy\*** - suffered fracture-dislocation of right ankle vs. South Carolina; missed final 7 games  
R-Sr. LB **Keenan Pili\*** - starter at MLB; suffered upper body injury in Virginia opener; missed final 12 games  
Sr. OG **Javontez Spraggins\*** - starter at guard; missed final 2 games due to lower body injury  
Sr. WR **Dont'e Thornton Jr.** - lower body injury on 2Q TD catch at Mizzou; missed final 4 games

\* - denotes started all four games this season

### IMPACT NEW FBS TRANSFERS

- Tennessee brought in seven FBS transfers who enrolled in January and are now making an impact in 2024. Four of these transfers have become regular starters.  
R-So. WR **Chris Brazzell II\*** - Tulane transfer; 2023 Third-Team AAC; 44 rec. for 711 yds and 5 TDs in 2023  
So. OL **Lance Heard** - SEC All-Freshman at LSU in 2023; reserve OT last year with 12 games played  
Sr. TE **Miles Kitseiman** - Played last two seasons at Alabama; signed with Tide from Hutchinson (Kan.) CC  
So. CB **Jermody McCoy\*** - Starter at CB at Oregon State in 2023; led OSU with 9 passes defended (7 PBU, 2 INT)  
R-Jr. CB **Jalen McMurray** - Starter at CB at Temple from 2022-23; had 39 tackles, 4 PBU last season  
Jr. DT **Jaxson Moi** - Starter at DT at Stanford last season; recorded 15 tackles and generated 10 pressures  
Jr. TE **Holden Staes** - Starter at TE at Notre Dame last season; 15 catches for 176 yds and 4 TD in 2023

\* - denotes started all four games

### "SUPER" SENIORS RETURN

- Tennessee has 10 "super" seniors who elected to use their extra COVID year of eligibility and return in 2024. They make up a key part of the leadership piece of the team.  
OT **John Campbell Jr.** - started at left tackle in 2023, Miami transfer utilizing seventh year  
OL **Dayne Davis** - versatile offensive lineman who can play every position, in sixth season at UT  
OL **Jackson Lampley** - part of the rotation at guard and in his sixth season at UT  
C **Cooper Mays** - fourth straight year as starter at center, utilizing fifth season at UT  
WR **Bru McCoy** - sixth-year wide receiver returned from season-ending injury vs. South Carolina  
LB **Keenan Pili** - starter at MLB, injured in 2023 season opener, NCAA waiver approved  
LS **Matthew Salansky** - starting long snapper for the fifth consecutive season, executed every snap  
DT **Elijah Simmons** - key part of rotation at defensive tackle, sixth year with the program  
OG **Javontez Spraggins** - fourth straight year as starter at guard, fifth season with the program  
DT **Omari Thomas** - defensive tackle starter for fourth straight season, utilizing fifth season

### PILI SEMIFINALIST FOR NFF CAMPBELL TROPHY

- Tennessee Sr. LB **Keenan Pili** is a semifinalist for the William V. Campbell Trophy, college football's premier scholar-athlete award.
- Pili** is one of seven Campbell Trophy semifinalists who have already earned a master's degree. Pili received his undergraduate degree in exercise science from BYU in December 2022 and earned his master's in agricultural leadership, education and communication from Tennessee in May 2024.
- Pili** is currently the Vols' second-leading tackler with 14 to go along with 1.5 tackles for loss and two QB hurries.

### WINS BY SEC TEAMS SINCE START OF 2022 SEASON

- Tennessee owns the fourth-most wins among SEC programs since the start of the 2022 season.

### Overall Wins By SEC Teams Since the Start of 2022 Season

- Georgia - 31
- Alabama - 27  
Texas - 27 (2022, 2023 seasons were in Big 12)
- Tennessee**, LSU - 24

### SOLD OUT: 70,500 SEASON TICKETS PURCHASED AGAIN

- Tennessee exhausted its football season ticket inventory for the second straight season with 70,500 purchased. The department sold out of tickets in May for the second consecutive year. The Vols also have a season ticket wait list of over 15,000.
- It marked the third time in the past 23 seasons that UT has sold out of its football season ticket inventory, doing so in August 2016 and in May 2023.
- Neyland Stadium was sold out for a 15th consecutive game last weekend vs. Kent State. That streak dates back to Sept. 17, 2022, vs. Akron. The Vols sold out all seven home games last year.
- Six of the seven home games are already sold out for 2024, including Chattanooga, Kent State, Florida, Alabama, Kentucky and Mississippi State. Limited tickets remain on sale for the UTEP finale.

### Tennessee Athletics Strategic Plan Football Season Ticket Goals

Year	Goal	Actual Sold
2022-23	56,000	61,490
2023-24	61,000	70,500 (sold out)
2024-25	68,000	70,500 (sold out)
2025-26	69,000	TBD
2026-27	70,000	TBD



## NOTEBOOK

### TENNESSEE LED SEC IN ATTENDANCE IN 2023

- The 2023 season saw Neyland Stadium lead the SEC in both average attendance (101,915) and accumulated attendance (713,405). Those marks also ranked fourth and third in the nation, respectively.
- It was the first time since the 2006 season that Tennessee sold out every home game of a season. It was also Neyland's highest average attendance for a season since the 2007 mark of 103,918.

#### 2023 Accumulated Attendance

##### FBS Rnk. School – Att.

1. Michigan – 769,797 (7 games)
2. Penn State – 758,864 (7 games)
3. Tennessee – 713,405 (7 games)

#### 2023 Average Attendance

##### FBS Rnk. School – Att.

1. Michigan – 109,971
2. Penn State – 108,409
3. Ohio State – 103,792
4. Tennessee – 101,915

### 13 STRAIGHT NON-CONFERENCE WINS

- The Vols have won 13 non-conference games in a row, and they are 16-2 vs. non-SEC foes under **Josh Heupel**. UT has outscored non-conference opponents 894-246 in the Heupel era.
- The current streak of 13 wins is the Vols' longest against non-SEC foes since winning 27 straight from 1969-73.
- Tennessee secured perfect non-conference regular season records in back-to-back seasons (2022-23) under Heupel.

## QUICK FACTS

**Location (Founded):** Knoxville, Tenn. (1794)

**Conference:** Southeastern

**Enrollment:** 36,304

**Colors:** Orange & White

**Nickname:** Volunteers

**Mascot:** Smokey XI

**Band:** Pride of the Southland

**Chancellor:** Donde Plowman

**Director of Athletics:** Danny White

**Facility (Opened):** Neyland Stadium (1921)

**Capacity:** 101,915 (Sixth-largest in CFB)

**On-Field Record at Neyland:** 493-142-17 (.769)

**NCAA Record at Neyland:** 487<sup>^</sup>-142-17 (.767)

**First Year of Football:** 1891 (128th season)

**All-Time NCAA Record:** 869<sup>^</sup>-414-54 (.670)

**All-Time On-Field Record:** 880-414-54 (.673)

**All-Time SEC NCAA Record:** 351<sup>^</sup>-233-19 (.598)

**All-Time SEC On-Field Record:** 359-233-19 (.603)

**SEC Championships:** 13

(1998, 1997, 1990, 1989, 1985, 1969, 1967, 1956, 1951, 1946, 1940, 1939, 1938)

**SEC Eastern Division Championships:** 5

(2007, 2004, 2001, 1998, 1997)

**SEC Championship Games:** 5

**National Championships:** 6

(1998, 1967, 1951, 1950, 1940, 1938)

**BCS Titles:** 1 (1998)

<sup>^</sup> - denotes 11 wins from 2019-20 were vacated by NCAA Committee on Infractions penalty ruling in July 2023

## ALL-TIME NCAA WINS (FBS)

Rank	Team	Wins
1.	Michigan	1,008
2.	Alabama*	969
3.	Ohio State*	968
4.	Texas	953
5.	Notre Dame*	952
6.	Oklahoma	948
7.	Penn State	934
8.	Nebraska	921
9.	Georgia	884
10.	USC*	877
11.	<b>Tennessee*</b>	<b>869</b>
12.	LSU*	810

\* Teams who have vacated wins

## ACADEMIC SUCCESS

3

straight fall semesters with a program-record GPA

133

Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll accolades in the **Josh Heupel** era (since fall 2021)

5

2023 CSC Academic All-District Team recipients (program record, most SEC)

3

CSC Academic All-Americans in the **Josh Heupel** era (since fall 2021; Paxton Brooks twice, Matthew Butler)

## 300-YARD PASSERS, 100-YARD RUSHERS, 100-YARD RECEIVERS

### 300-YARD PASSING PERFORMANCES

**Nico Iamaleava (1 career, 1 in 2024)**

Yds	Opponent	Date	Score
314	Chattanooga	8/31/24	W, 69-3

### 100-YARD RUSHING PERFORMANCES

**Dylan Sampson (7 career, 3 in 2024)**

Yds	Opponent	Date	Score
139	UTSA	9/23/23	W, 45-14
133	vs. Iowa	1/1/24	W, 35-0
132	vs. NC State	9/7/24	W, 51-10
131	at Vanderbilt	11/26/22	W, 56-0
124	Chattanooga	8/31/24	W, 69-3
115	vs. Virginia	9/2/23	W, 49-13
101	Kent State	9/14/24	W, 71-0

**DeSean Bishop (1 career, 1 in 2024)**

Yds	Opponent	Date	Score
120	Kent State	9/14/24	W, 71-0

### 100-YARD RECEIVING PERFORMANCES

**Chris Brazzell II (2 career, 0 at UT, 0 in 2024)**

Yds	Opponent	Date	Score
*103	FAU	11/18/23	W, 24-8
*103	at Memphis	10/13/23	W, 31-21

\* - denotes produced at Tulane

**Bru McCoy (3 career, 3 at UT, 0 in 2024)**

Yds	Opponent	Date	Score
140	at LSU	10/8/22	W, 40-13
111	Missouri	11/12/22	W, 66-24
102	Florida	9/24/22	W, 38-33

**Dont'e Thornton Jr. (2 career, 1 at UT, 1 in 2024)**

Yds	Opponent	Date	Score
*151	Utah	11/19/22	W, 20-17
105	Chattanooga	8/31/24	W, 69-3

\* - denotes produced at Oregon

**Squirrel White (5 career, 0 in 2024)**

Yds	Opponent	Date	Score
122	UT Martin	10/22/22	W, 65-24
111	at Alabama	10/21/23	L, 20-34
110	Vanderbilt	11/25/23	W, 48-24
108	vs. Clemson	12/30/22	W, 31-14
104	South Carolina	9/30/23	W, 41-20

## GRADUATES

• A total of 15 Volunteers on the 2024 team have earned their degrees and are wearing the graduate patch on their jersey this fall.

Name	Degree	School Earned
Will Brooks	Finance	Tennessee (May 2024)
John Campbell Jr.	Criminology	Miami (Dec. 2021)
JT Carver	Sport Management	Tennessee (Aug. 2024)
Dayne Davis	Supply Chain Management	Tennessee (May 2023)
Cody Duncan	Communication Studies	Tennessee (Aug. 2024)
Jackson Lampley	Management	Tennessee (Dec. 2023)
Cooper Mays	Sport Management	Tennessee (May 2024)
Bru McCoy	Communication Studies	Tennessee (Aug. 2024)
Gaston Moore	Supply Chain Management	Tennessee (May 2024)
Keenan Pili	Exercise Science	BYU (Dec. 2022)
	Ag Leadership, Education, Comm <sup>^</sup>	Tennessee (May 2024)
Matthew Salansky	Kinesiology	Tennessee (Dec. 2023)
Navy Shuler	Communication Studies	Tennessee (May 2024)
Elijah Simmons	Communication Studies	Tennessee (Dec. 2023)
Javontez Spraggins	Sociology	Tennessee (Dec. 2023)
Omari Thomas	Journalism and Electronic Media	Tennessee (May 2024)

<sup>^</sup> - denotes master's degree





# HEAD COACH JOSH HEUPEL

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- 2022 Associated Press SEC Coach of the Year
- 2022, 2018 National Coach of the Year Finalist
- Coached in three national title games and 19 bowl games
- 13 NFL Draft picks last three seasons
- Won eight conference championships
- One of only four active FBS HC to lead multiple programs to New Year's Six bowl appearances in the CFP era
- 2000 National Champion QB and Heisman finalist

Former national champion quarterback **Josh Heupel** took the reins of Tennessee football in 2021 and has guided the proud program to a national resurgence. The 2022 SEC Coach of the Year and two-time National Coach of the Year finalist was officially announced as the Volunteers' 27th head football coach on Jan. 27, 2021, by Vice Chancellor/Director of Athletics Danny White, who he worked alongside at UCF. On Jan. 24, 2023, White announced a contract extension for Heupel through January 2029.

Taking over a program coming off a 3-7 season and the departure of several players prior to his arrival, Heupel instilled a strong culture built on trust, accountability and relationships. He combined those pillars with the nation's top offense and an attacking defense. In now his fourth season, Heupel's remarkable revival of the Volunteers has seen him produce a 31-12 overall record, 10 victories over Top 25 teams, the program's first New Year's Six berth in the College Football Playoff era and back-to-back top-20 poll finishes. From 2022-23, Heupel guided Tennessee to its winningest two-year stretch (20) since 2003-04. Heupel joined Bill Battle and Phillip Fulmer as the only three coaches in program history to lead UT to bowl berths in each of their first three seasons. Heupel's .721 winning percentage is the second-highest by a Vol coach in the last five decades (minimum two seasons coached). The 2022 season saw Heupel's Vols finish No. 6 in the final polls with an 11-win season. That year the Vols ascended to the No. 1 ranking for the first time since the 1998 national title.

Player development has been evident in the Heupel era. Thirteen Vols have been selected in the last three NFL Drafts combined, which is the highest three-year span of picks for UT in nearly two decades. Tennessee is one of just two programs in the last five years with a quarterback selected in back-to-back drafts.

The Vols' on-field success has correlated in the classroom as Tennessee has shattered the program record for GPA in three consecutive fall semesters under Heupel. The fall of 2023 saw the Vols produce a program-record 63 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipients, representing the second-most in the SEC.

## HEUPEL YEAR-BY-YEAR HEAD COACHING RECORD

Year	Team	Overall	Conf.	Notable
2018	UCF	12-1	9-0 <sup>^</sup>	AAC Champs, Fiesta Bowl, #11 AP, #12 Coaches
2019	UCF	10-3	6-2	Gasparilla Bowl, #24 AP, #24 Coaches
2020	UCF	6-4	5-3	Boca Raton Bowl (COVID-19 shortened season)
2021	Tennessee	7-6	4-4	Music City Bowl, winningest 1st-year coach in P5
2022	Tennessee	11-2	6-2	Orange Bowl champs, #6 AP, #6 Coaches
2023	Tennessee	9-4	4-4	Citrus Bowl champs, #17 AP, #17 Coaches
2024	Tennessee	4-0	1-0	#4 AP, #4 Coaches
<b>Overall</b>	<b>7 seasons</b>	<b>59-20(.747)</b>	<b>35-15</b>	<b>6 Bowl Games, 1 AAC Championship</b>
	<b>UCF 3 seasons</b>	<b>28-8</b>	<b>20-5</b>	
	<b>Tennessee 4 seasons</b>	<b>31-12(.721)</b>	<b>15-10</b>	

\* - denotes COVID-19 shortened season

<sup>^</sup> - denotes includes The American Championship Game

## PROLIFIC OFFENSES UNDER HEUPEL

TOTAL OFFENSE			
Year	YPG	FBS	Conf.
2024 (Tennessee)	565.8	3	2
2023 (Tennessee)	448.1	19	4
2022 (Tennessee)	525.5	1	1
2021 (Tennessee)	474.9	9	3
2020 (UCF)	568.1	2	1
2019 (UCF)	540.5	2	1
2018 (UCF)	522.7	5	2
2017 (Mizzou)	502.2	8	1
2016 (Mizzou)	500.5	13	1

RUSHING			
Year	YPG	FBS	Conf.
2024 (Tennessee)	290.0	4	1
2023 (Tennessee)	204.8	9	1
2022 (Tennessee)	199.5	26	6
2021 (Tennessee)	217.8	11	2
2020 (UCF)	210.7	25	3
2019 (UCF)	223.8	19	3
2018 (UCF)	265.2	8	3
2017 (Mizzou)	193.5	36	6
2016 (Mizzou)	205.1	38	8

SCORING OFFENSE			
Year	PPG	FBS	Conf.
2024 (Tennessee)	54.0	1	1
2023 (Tennessee)	31.8	36	7
2022 (Tennessee)	46.1	1	1
2021 (Tennessee)	39.3	7	2
2020 (UCF)	42.2	8	1
2019 (UCF)	43.4	5	1
2018 (UCF)	43.2	6	2
2017 (Mizzou)	37.5	14	1
2016 (Mizzou)	31.4	48	5

PASSING			
Year	YPG	FBS	Conf.
2024 (Tennessee)	275.8	33	8
2023 (Tennessee)	243.2	50	8
2022 (Tennessee)	326.1	5	1
2021 (Tennessee)	257.1	40	4
2020 (UCF)	357.4	4	1
2019 (UCF)	316.7	8	1
2018 (UCF)	257.5	37	4
2017 (Mizzou)	308.6	14	2
2016 (Mizzou)	295.4	20	2

## THE HEUPEL FILE

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

**Full Name:** Joshua Kenneth Heupel  
**Born:** March 22, 1978 (age 46)  
**Hometown:** Aberdeen, South Dakota  
**Education:** Oklahoma, 2001 (bachelor's in business marketing)  
**Wife:** Dawn  
**Children:** Hannah, Jace

### PLAYING HISTORY

1997: Weber State, quarterback  
 1998: Snow College, quarterback  
 1999-2000: Oklahoma, quarterback

### COACHING HISTORY

2003-04: Oklahoma, Graduate Assistant  
 2005: Arizona, Tight Ends  
 2006-10: Oklahoma, Quarterbacks  
 2011-14: Oklahoma, Co-Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks  
 2015: Utah State, Assistant Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks  
 2016-17: Missouri, Offensive Coordinator/QBs  
 2018-20: UCF, Head Coach  
 2021-present: Tennessee, Head Coach

### NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (1)

2000 - Oklahoma (player)

### CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS (8)

2018 AAC - UCF (head coach)  
 2012 Big 12 - Oklahoma (co-offensive coordinator/QBs)  
 2010 Big 12 - Oklahoma (quarterbacks)  
 2008 Big 12 - Oklahoma (quarterbacks)  
 2007 Big 12 - Oklahoma (quarterbacks)  
 2006 Big 12 - Oklahoma (quarterbacks)  
 2004 Big 12 - Oklahoma (graduate assistant)  
 2000 Big 12 - Oklahoma (player)

### BOWL GAME APPEARANCES AS A COACH (19)

2024 Citrus Bowl - Tennessee  
 2022 Orange Bowl - Tennessee  
 2021 Music City Bowl - Tennessee  
 2020 Boca Raton Bowl - UCF  
 2019 Gasparilla Bowl - UCF  
 2019 Fiesta Bowl - UCF  
 2017 Texas Bowl - Missouri  
 2015 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl - Utah State  
 2014 Russell Athletic Bowl - Oklahoma  
 2014 Sugar Bowl - Oklahoma  
 2013 Cotton Bowl - Oklahoma  
 2011 Insight Bowl - Oklahoma  
 2011 Fiesta Bowl - Oklahoma  
 2009 Sun Bowl - Oklahoma  
 2009 BCS National Championship Game - Oklahoma  
 2008 Fiesta Bowl - Oklahoma  
 2007 Fiesta Bowl - Oklahoma  
 2005 BCS National Championship Game Orange Bowl - Oklahoma  
 2004 BCS National Championship Game Sugar Bowl - Oklahoma

### BOWL GAME APPEARANCES AS A PLAYER (2)

2001 BCS National Championship Game Orange Bowl - Oklahoma  
 1999 Independence Bowl - Oklahoma

# HEUPEL ERA HIGHS

## TEAM - OFFENSIVE

<b>Rushing Yards</b> - 458 at Missouri, 10/2/21
<b>Rushing Yards per Attempt</b> - 11.7 at Vanderbilt, 11/26/22
<b>Rushing Touchdowns</b> - 6 (2x), last vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Passing Yards</b> - 495 vs. UT Martin, 10/22/22
<b>Passing Yards per Attempt</b> - 17.5 vs. Akron, 9/17/22
<b>Passing Touchdowns</b> - 5 (3x), last vs. UT Martin, 10/22/22
<b>First Downs</b> - 36 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Total Plays</b> - 105 vs. Purdue, 12/30/21
<b>Total Offense</b> - 740 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Yards Per Play</b> - 10.0 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
<b>Points Scored</b> - 71 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

## TEAM - DEFENSIVE

<b>Fewest Rushing Yards Allowed</b> - 32 vs. Bowling Green, 9/2/21
<b>Fewest Passing Yards Allowed</b> - 58 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Fewest Total Yards Allowed</b> - 112 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Fewest First Downs Allowed</b> - 8 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Sacks</b> - 7 vs. Austin Peay, 9/9/23
<b>Interceptions</b> - 4 vs. Tennessee Tech, 9/18/21
<b>Forced Fumbles</b> - 2 (4x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Fumbles Recovered</b> - 2 (3x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Tackles For Loss</b> - 14 vs. Austin Peay, 9/9/23
<b>Pass Breakups</b> - 8 at Kentucky, 11/6/21
<b>QB Hurries</b> - 16 at Pitt, 9/10/22

## INDIVIDUAL - OFFENSIVE

<b>Rushing Yards</b> - 180, Jabari Small vs. Purdue, 12/30/21
<b>Rushing Touchdowns</b> - 4, Dylan Sampson vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Longest Rush</b> - 92, Tiyon Evans at Missouri, 10/2/21
<b>Pass Completions</b> - 28, Joe Milton III at Alabama, 10/21/23
<b>Completion % (min. 20 att.)</b> - 85.0 (17-20), Joe Milton III at Kentucky, 10/28/23
<b>Passing Yards</b> - 385, Hendon Hooker vs. Alabama, 10/15/21
<b>Passing Touchdowns</b> - 5 (2x), last Hendon Hooker vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
<b>Longest Pass</b> - 83, Joe Milton III to Squirrel White vs. UConn, 11/4/23
<b>Receptions</b> - 11, Jalin Hyatt at Pitt, 9/10/22
<b>Receiving Yards</b> - 207, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
<b>Receiving Touchdowns</b> - 5, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22

## INDIVIDUAL - DEFENSIVE

<b>Total Tackles</b> - 20, Jeremy Banks vs. Purdue, 12/30/21
<b>Sacks</b> - 2.5, Byron Young at LSU, 10/8/22
<b>Tackles for Loss</b> - 5.0, Aaron Beasley vs. Austin Peay, 9/9/23

## INDIVIDUAL - SPECIAL TEAMS

<b>Longest Kick Return</b> - 96, Velus Jones Jr. vs. S. Alabama, 11/20/21
<b>Longest Punt Return</b> - 73, Dee Williams at Vanderbilt, 11/26/22
<b>Punt Return Touchdowns</b> - 1 (3x), last Dee Williams vs. Texas A&M, 10/14/23
<b>Blocked Kicks</b> - 2 (2x), last at Florida (1 FG, 1 PAT), 9/16/23
<b>Punts Blocked</b> - 1 (6x), last Jordan Ross vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Longest Punt</b> - 71, Jackson Ross at Alabama, 10/21/23

# FAST. FUN. REAL.

<b>600</b> yards of total offense	<b>275</b> yards rushing	<b>375</b> yards passing	<b>60</b> point games	<b>10</b> ranked wins
Missouri (683) - 10/2/21 Purdue (666) - 12/30/21 Akron (676) - 9/17/22 UT Martin (696) - 10/22/22 Missouri (724) - 11/12/22 UConn (650) - 11/4/23 Vanderbilt (617) - 11/25/23 Chattanooga (718) - 8/31/24 Kent State (740) - 9/14/24	Bowling Gr. (331) - 9/2/21 Missouri (458) - 10/2/21 Vanderbilt (285) - 11/27/21 Purdue (288) - 12/30/21 at Vanderbilt (362) - 11/26/22 vs. Virginia (287) - 9/2/23 UTSA (303) - 9/23/23 UConn (275) - 11/4/23 Chattanooga (304) - 8/31/24 Kent State (456) - 9/14/24	Purdue (378) - 12/30/21 Akron (438) - 9/17/22 #3 Alabama (385) - 10/15/22 UT Martin (495) - 10/22/22 Missouri (460) - 11/12/22 UConn (375) - 11/4/23 Vanderbilt (449) - 11/25/23 Chattanooga (414) - 8/31/24	Missouri (62) - 10/2/21 South Ala. (60) - 11/20/21 Akron (63) - 9/17/22 UT Martin (65) - 10/22/22 Missouri (66) - 11/12/22 Chattanooga (69) - 8/31/24 Kent State (71) - 9/14/24	at #18 Kentucky - 11/6/21 at #17 Pitt - 9/10/22 #20 Florida - 9/24/22 at #25 LSU - 10/8/22 #3 Alabama - 10/15/22 #19 Kentucky - 10/30/22 vs. #7 Clemson - 12/30/22 vs. #17 Iowa - 1/1/24 vs. #24 NC State - 9/7/24 at #15 Oklahoma - 9/21/24

## TEAM SINGLE-SEASON SCHOOL RECORDS UNDER HEUPEL (17)

<b>Points</b> - 599 in 2022
<b>Points Per Game</b> - 46.1 in 2022
<b>Total Offense</b> - 6,832 in 2022
<b>Total Offense Per Game</b> - 525.5 in 2022
<b>Yards Per Play</b> - 7.2 in 2022
<b>Total Touchdowns</b> - 79 in 2022
<b>Offensive Touchdowns</b> - 78 in 2022
<b>Passing Touchdowns</b> - 38 in 2022
<b>Rushing Touchdowns</b> - 40 in 2022

<b>Completion Percentage</b> - 68.7 in 2022
<b>Passing Efficiency</b> - 181.4 in 2022
<b>Passing Yards</b> - 4,239 in 2022
<b>Passing Yards Per Game</b> - 326.1 in 2022
<b>Point After Touchdowns Made</b> - 75 in 2022
<b>Total First Downs</b> - 330 in 2022
<b>Rushing First Downs</b> - 164 in 2021
<b>Fewest Interceptions Thrown</b> - 3 (2x), 2021 & 2022

## INDIVIDUAL SINGLE-SEASON SCHOOL RECORDS UNDER HEUPEL (13)

<b>Total Offense Per Game</b> - Hendon Hooker: 324.1 in 2022
<b>Yards Per Play (min. 400 plays)</b> - Hendon Hooker: 8.24 in 2022
<b>Completion Pct. (min. 300 attempts)</b> - Hendon Hooker: 69.6 in 2022
<b>Passing Efficiency</b> - Hendon Hooker: 181.4 in 2021
<b>Consecutive Games Throwing TD Pass</b> - Hendon Hooker: 12 in 2021
<b>Lowest INT Pct. (min. 300 attempts)</b> - Hendon Hooker: 0.61% in 2022
<b>Receiving Yards Per Game</b> - Jalin Hyatt: 105.6 in 2022

<b>Receiving Touchdowns</b> - Jalin Hyatt: 15 in 2022
<b>Consecutive Games with a TD Catch</b> - Cedric Tillman: 7 in 2021
<b>Points By Kicking</b> - Chase McGrath: 118 in 2022
<b>Point After Touchdowns Made</b> - Chase McGrath: 70 in 2022
<b>Point After Touchdowns Attempted</b> - Chase McGrath: 72 in 2022
<b>Percentage PATs Made</b> - Chase McGrath: 100.0 (66 of 66) in 2021

## UT SINGLE-GAME RECORDS UNDER HEUPEL (8)

<b>Points (modern era)</b> - 71 vs. Kent State in 2024
<b>Total Yards (modern era)</b> - 740 vs. Kent State in 2024
<b>Rushing Yards per Attempt</b> - 11.7 at Vanderbilt in 2022
<b>Total Offense Per Play (min. 20 plays)</b> - Hendon Hooker: 16.1 vs. Akron in 2022
<b>Rushing Touchdowns (modern era)</b> - Dylan Sampson, 4 vs. Kent State in 2024
<b>Receiving Touchdowns</b> - Jalin Hyatt: 5 vs. #3 Alabama in 2022
<b>Modern Era Scoring</b> - Jalin Hyatt: 30 points vs. #3 Alabama in 2022
<b>Punting Average</b> - Jackson Ross: 53.2 (5 for 266) at #11/8 Alabama in 2023

## INDIVIDUAL CAREER RECORDS UNDER HEUPEL (6)

<b>Total Offense Per Play (min. 900 plays)</b> - Hendon Hooker: 7.90, 2021-22
<b>Completion Pct. (min. 500 attempts)</b> - Hendon Hooker: 68.8, 2021-22
<b>Consecutive Games with a TD Pass</b> - Hendon Hooker: 20, 2021-22
<b>Consecutive Passes without an INT</b> - Hendon Hooker: 261, 2021-22
<b>Lowest Interception Pct. (min. 500 att.)</b> - Hendon Hooker: 0.79, 2021-22
<b>Consecutive Games with a TD Reception</b> - Cedric Tillman: 7 in 2021



# ASSISTANT COACHING STAFF (PB = PRESS BOX | S = SIDELINE)



**TIGHT ENDS**

**ALEC ABELN (PB) • 4th season (2nd TE)**

Served as analyst on UT staff from 2021-22 before being promoted to TE coach in 2023

Served on coaching staffs at three different SEC programs - Missouri, Ole Miss and Tennessee

2023 247Sports 30 Under 30 recipient, recognizing top young coaches

His TEs caught 44 passes for 538 yards and 9 TDs in 2023, which ranked 2nd in the SEC and most by UT since 2007



**DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR**

**TIM BANKS (PB) • 4th season**

His unit leads the SEC in tackles for loss per game with 7.62 from 2021-23 (8th FBS in 2021 with 102, 14th FBS in 2022 with 93, 8th FBS with 101 in 2023)

In his 18th year of defensive coordinator experience and served as co-DC and safeties coach for five seasons at Penn State (2016-20) prior to Tennessee

2021 & 2023 Broyles Award nominee and 2022-23 NCMFC Coalition Academy member (1 of 2 from SEC)



**OUTSIDE LBs/SPECIAL TEAMS COORDINATOR**

**MIKE EKELER (S) • 3rd season**

In his 19th season in the Power Five and owns three national championship game appearances

UT has ranked either 1st or 2nd in SEC in punt return average and 1st or 2nd in SEC in punt return defense in all three of Ekeler's previous seasons (2021-23)

Coached with Heupel at Oklahoma from 2003-04 when both were graduate assistants



**OFFENSIVE LINE**

**GLEN ELARBEE (S) • 4th season**

Returned to the SEC after stops at LSU (2007) and Missouri (2016-17, OL)

In his ninth year alongside Heupel as he was the offensive line coach at UCF from 2018-20

Guided the Vols to back-to-back Joe Moore Award semifinalists for first time in school history

4 of the Vols he has coached are on NFL rosters, including 2023 NFL Draft first round pick Darnell Wright (No. 10)



**DEFENSIVE LINE**

**RODNEY GARNER (S) • 6th season**

Now in his 36th season in the SEC and arguably the top defensive line coach in the nation with seven NFL first round draft picks

Returned to UT after serving as defensive line coach at Georgia from (1998-2012) and at Auburn from 2013-20

Owns six SEC Championships

Coached tight ends (1996-97) and offensive tackles at Tennessee (1997)



**OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR/QUARTERBACKS**

**JOEY HALZLE (PB) • 4th season (2nd OC)**

Officially promoted to OC in January 2023 and served in the role during the 2022 Orange Bowl and 2023 season

Has produced an NFL drafted quarterback in back-to-back drafts (Hendon Hooker, Joe Milton III)

Developed 2022 SEC Offensive Player of the Year Hendon Hooker

Worked with Heupel for 12 seasons, including at Oklahoma (2009-11), Utah State (2015), Missouri (2016)



**LINEBACKERS**

**WILLIAM INGE (S) • 1st season**

Served as Co-DC and LB coach for Washington from 2022-23, including during their 2024 CFP title game run

Has served as either DC or Co-DC for 10 seasons, including Washington, Fresno State, Indiana, Buffalo and Northern Iowa

In his 27th season coaching and coached in 12 postseason/bowl game appearances

## UT COACHING STAFF

**BY THE NUMBERS:**

- 5 National Championships
- 12 National Title Game Appearances
- 42 Conference Championships

**QUICK NOTES:**

• Six of the 10 assistant coaches on the staff have coordinator experience, including four as defensive coordinators (**Tim Banks, Mike Ekeler, William Inge, Willie Martinez**) and two as offensive coordinators (**Glen Elarbee, Joey Halzle**).

• Two assistants on the staff are serving in their second stint at Tennessee, including **Rodney Garner** and **Willie Martinez**.

• All 11 coaches on the staff played in college and two of them won national titles as players, including **Josh Heupel** (Oklahoma) and **Willie Martinez** (Miami).

• Tennessee was one of only two schools (South Carolina) in the new, 16-team SEC to not have turnover at head coach or coordinator positions in 2024.

• Eight of the 10 assistants on the current staff have been part of Josh Heupel's staff for all four of his seasons at Tennessee. Two of them were promoted as QC/analysts. Five of the assistants worked with **Josh Heupel** prior to Tennessee.



**SECONDARY**

**WILLIE MARTINEZ (S) • 8th season**

Over 30 years of experience and in his second stint at Tennessee after coaching the secondary for four seasons from 2013-16

Has produced six NFL Draft picks at DB in the last four drafts combined, including school-record three at UCF in '22, two at UT in '23, one at UT in '24

Part of six conference championships as a coach and 23 bowl games



**WIDE RECEIVERS**

**KELSEY POPE (S) • 4th season (3rd WR)**

2023 On3 Rising Assistant Coach and 2022 Football Scoop WR Coach of Year

Developed the first Biletnikoff Award winner in UT history as Jalin Hyatt won the honor in 2022

In his three prev. seasons at UT, Vols have produced three NFL Draft picks, multiple first-team All-SEC recipients, and they have generated an SEC-best 22 100-yard receiving games



**RUNNING BACKS**

**DE'RAIL SIMS (S) • 1st season**

Led rushing units to three straight top 25 rankings, including at Louisville (2021-22) and Cincinnati (2023)

His 2023 rushing unit at Cincinnati averaged 2171 yards per game and ranked fifth in the nation

Also served as running backs coach at East Carolina (2019-20), James Madison (2016-18, 2016 national champions), Western Carolina (2013-15) and Carson-Newman (2012)





## THE LAST TIME TENNESSEE...

### INDIVIDUAL

#### OFFENSE

<b>Rushed for 100 yards</b> - DeSean Bishop (122) and Dylan Sampson (101) vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Rushed for 200 yards</b> - 246, Eric Gray vs. Vanderbilt, 11/30/19
<b>Rushed for 250 yards</b> - 294, Chuck Webb vs. Mississippi, 11/18/89
<b>QB Rushed for 100 yards</b> - 112, Hendon Hooker vs. Florida, 9/24/22
<b>Passed for 300 yards</b> - 314, Nico Iamaleava vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Passed for 400 yards</b> - 415, Jarrett Guarantano at Missouri, 11/23/19
<b>Passed for 500 yards</b> - 530, Tyler Bray vs. Troy, 11/3/12
<b>Had 100 yards receiving</b> - 105, Dont'e Thornton Jr. vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Had 150 yards receiving</b> - 207, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
<b>Had 200 yards receiving</b> - 207, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
<b>Rushed for three TDs</b> - 4, Dylan Sampson vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Rushed for four TDs</b> - 4, Dylan Sampson vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Threw four TD passes</b> - 4, Joe Milton III vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23
<b>Caught three TD passes</b> - 5, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
<b>Caught four TD passes</b> - 5, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
<b>Caught five TD passes</b> - 5, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
<b>Scored four touchdowns</b> - 4 (all rush), Dylan Sampson vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Responsible for five touchdowns</b> - 6 (4 pass, 2 rush), Joe Milton III vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23
<b>Responsible for six touchdowns</b> - 6 (4 pass, 2 rush), Joe Milton III vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23
<b>Had rushing + receiving TD</b> - Dylan Sampson vs. Virginia, 9/2/23
<b>Had an 80-yard run</b> - 82, Jaylen Wright vs. UConn, 11/4/23
<b>Had a 90-yard run</b> - 92, Tiyon Evans at Missouri, 10/2/21
<b>Had an 80-yard completion</b> - 83, Joe Milton III to Squirrel White vs. UConn, 11/4/23

#### DEFENSE

<b>Returned INT for TD</b> - 85, Will Brooks vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Returned a fumble for TD</b> - 24 yards, Tyler Baron vs. UConn, 11/4/23 (forced by Gabe Jeudy-Lally)
<b>Returned PAT for a score</b> - 97, Floyd Miley vs. Mississippi, 11/17/90 (blocked kick return)
<b>Had 20+ tackles</b> - 20, Jeremy Banks vs. Purdue, 12/30/21
<b>Recorded three sacks</b> - 4.0, Darrell Taylor vs. Kentucky, 11/10/18
<b>Recorded five tackles for loss</b> - 5.0, Aaron Beasley vs. Austin Peay, 9/9/23
<b>Forced two fumbles</b> - 2, Joshua Josephs at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Intercepted two passes</b> - 3, Bryce Thompson vs. UAB, 11/2/19
<b>Intercepted three passes</b> - 3, Bryce Thompson vs. UAB, 11/2/19
<b>Made interception on first play of the game</b> - Tamarion McDonald vs. Ball State, 9/1/22

#### SPECIAL TEAMS

<b>Returned onside kick for TD</b> - 44, Bret Smith at S. Carolina, 10/30/04
<b>Returned opening kickoff for TD</b> - 91, Ty Chandler vs. Indiana State, 9/9/17
<b>Returned conventional kickoff for TD</b> - 96, Velus Jones Jr. vs. South Alabama, 11/20/21
<b>Returned kickoff 100 yards</b> - Evan Berry at South Carolina, 10/29/16
<b>Returned punt for TD</b> - 39, Dee Williams vs. Texas A&M, 10/14/23
<b>Returned a blocked punt for TD</b> - 13, Jordan Ross vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Returned punt at least 75 yards</b> - 82, Marquez Callaway vs. Charlotte, 11/4/18 (TD)
<b>Had a rushing + punt return TD in same game</b> - Alvin Kamara vs. WCU, 9/19/15 (2, 50)
<b>Made four FGs</b> - 4, Charles Campbell at Kentucky, 10/28/23
<b>Made a 50-yard FG</b> - 51, Chase McGrath at Pitt, 9/10/22

### TEAM

#### OFFENSE

<b>Rushed for more than 300 yards</b> - 456 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (55 att.)
<b>Rushed for more than 400 yards</b> - 456 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (55 att.)
<b>Passed for more than 300 yards</b> - 414 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24 (44 att.)
<b>Passed for more than 400 yards</b> - 414 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24 (44 att.)
<b>Had more than 500 yards total off.</b> - 740 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (284 pass, 456 rush)
<b>Had more than 600 yards total off.</b> - 740 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (284 pass, 456 rush)
<b>Had more than 700 yards total off.</b> - 740 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (284 pass, 456 rush)
<b>Scored 50 points</b> - 71 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (Score: 71-0)
<b>Scored 60 points</b> - 71 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (Score: 71-0)
<b>Scored 70 points</b> - 71 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (Score: 71-0)
<b>Scored 30+ points in a quarter</b> - 37 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (first quarter)
<b>Scored 35+ points in a quarter</b> - 37 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (first quarter)
<b>Failed to rush for 100 yards</b> - 83 at Missouri, 11/11/23 (23 att.)
<b>Failed to pass for 100 yards</b> - 44 at Alabama 10/21/17 (9-of-16, 1 int.)
<b>Failed to get a first down</b> - vs. Auburn, 9/27/58 (Score: Auburn 13-0)
<b>Committed no turnovers</b> - vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Two players with 100 yards rushing</b> - D. Bishop (120) & D. Sampson (101) vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Three players with 100 yards rushing</b> - James Stewart (145), Aaron Hayden (115) & Mose Phillips (107) vs. Vanderbilt, 11/30/91
<b>Two players w/ 100 yards passing</b> - H. Hooker (247) & J. Milton III (108) at S. Carolina, 11/19/22
<b>Two players w/ 100 yards receiving</b> - R. Keyton (122) & S. White (110) vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23
<b>Three players w/ 100 yards receiving</b> - J. Palmer (124), J. Jennings (115), M. Callaway (110) at Missouri, 11/23/19

#### DEFENSE

<b>Held opponent to fewer than 100 yards rushing</b> - 36 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24 (34 att.)
<b>Held opponent to fewer than 100 yards passing</b> - 58 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (9-of-16)
<b>Held opponent to fewer than 100 yards total offense</b> - 83 vs. WKU, 9/5/09 (34 rush, 49 pass)
<b>Held opponent without a TD</b> - vs. Kent State (Score: Tennessee 71-0)
<b>Scored a safety</b> - at Oklahoma, 9/21/24 (Jayson Jenkins TFL)
<b>Scored two safeties</b> - 2 vs. South Alabama, 11/20/21 (Kurott Garland sack, snap out of endzone)
<b>Forced opponent into five turnovers</b> - vs. Chattanooga, 9/14/19
<b>Intercepted four passes</b> - vs. Tennessee Tech, 9/18/21
<b>Intercepted five passes</b> - vs. Western Kentucky, 9/7/13
<b>Forced four fumbles</b> - at Kentucky, 10/28/17
<b>Recovered four fumbles</b> - at Kentucky, 10/28/17
<b>Scored two defensive TDs</b> - 3 vs. UConn, 11/4/23 (Baron fumble ret., McCollough INT ret., Beasley INT ret.)
<b>Scored three defensive TDs</b> - 3 vs. UConn, 11/4/23 (Baron fumble ret., McCollough INT ret., Beasley INT ret.)

#### SPECIAL TEAMS

<b>Never had to punt</b> - vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Blocked a punt</b> - Jordan Ross vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Returned blocked punt for TD</b> - 13-yard return by Jordan Ross vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Blocked a field goal</b> - at Florida, 9/16/23 (Bryson Eason)
<b>Returned blocked FG for TD</b> - 90 vs. South Carolina, 10/28/95 (Tyrone Hines)
<b>Returned punt and kickoff for TD in same game</b> - at Kentucky, 10/31/15 (Evan Berry 100-yard KR; Cameron Sutton 84-yard PR)
<b>Blocked a PAT</b> - at Florida, 9/16/23 (Omari Thomas)
<b>Faked a punt</b> - at Vanderbilt, 12/12/20 (Paxton Brooks completed pass for 31 yards)
<b>Faked punt for 1st down</b> - at Vanderbilt, 12/12/20 (Paxton Brooks completed pass for 31 yards)
<b>Faked a FG</b> - vs. Missouri, 11/22/14 (P. Ashford pass to A. Ellis for touchdown)
<b>Attempted 2-pt conversion</b> - at Florida, 9/16/23 (Joe Milton III rush unsuccessful)
<b>Scored 2-pt conversion</b> - vs. Alabama, 10/15/22 (H. Hooker pass to P. Fant successful)
<b>Attempted onside kick</b> - vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (John Slaughter recovered)
<b>Recovered onside kick</b> - vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (John Slaughter recovered)

#### MISCELLANEOUS

<b>Shut out an opponent</b> - 71-0 vs. Iowa, 9/14/24
<b>Shut out consecutive opponents</b> - at Vanderbilt and vs. Kentucky, 11/23/02 & 11/30/02 (24-0)
<b>Won OT game</b> - at Pitt, 9/10/22 (Score: UT 34-27, OT)
<b>Lost OT game</b> - vs. Purdue, 12/30/21 (Score: Purdue 48-45 OT)
<b>Won game on last play</b> - vs. Alabama, 10/15/22 (UT 52-49, McGrath 40-yard FG Good)
<b>Lost game on last play</b> - vs. Purdue, 12/30/21 (Score: Purdue 48-45: 39-yd FG in OT)
<b>Rallied from down 14 to win</b> - vs. Georgia Tech, 9/4/17 (trailed 28-14 in 4Q & won, 42-41)
<b>Beat ranked opponent</b> - vs. #15/13 Oklahoma, 9/21/24 (Score: Tennessee 25-15)
<b>Beat team ranked in top 15</b> - vs. #15/13 Oklahoma, 9/21/24 (Score: Tennessee 25-15)
<b>Beat team ranked in top 10</b> - vs. #7/10/11 Clemson, 12/30/22 (Score: Tennessee 31-14)
<b>Beat team ranked in top 5</b> - vs. #3/1 Alabama, 10/15/22 (Score: Tennessee 52-49)
<b>Committed no penalties</b> - vs. Austin Peay, 8/31/13

**Shaded** - Occurred in 2024

## THE LAST TIME AN OPPONENT...

### INDIVIDUAL

#### OFFENSE

**Rushed for 100 yards** - 205, Cody Schrader at Missouri, 11/11/23 (35 attempts)  
**Rushed for 200 yards** - 205, Cody Schrader at Missouri, 11/11/23 (35 attempts)  
**Rushed for 250 yards** - 282, Dexter McCluster at Mississippi, 11/14/09 (25 attempts)  
**QB Rushed for 100 yards** - 106, Brady Cook vs. Missouri, 11/12/22 (16 attempts)  
**Passed for 300 yards** - 372, Devin Leary at Kentucky, 10/28/23  
**Passed for 400 yards** - 438, Spencer Rattler at South Carolina, 11/19/22  
**Passed for 500 yards** - 534, Aidan O'Connell vs. Purdue, 12/30/21  
**Had 100 yards receiving** - 116, Cody Schrader at Missouri, 11/11/23  
**Had 150 yards receiving** - 177, Antwane Wells Jr. at South Carolina, 11/19/22  
**Had 200 yards receiving** - 217, Broc Thompson vs. Purdue, 12/30/21  
**Rushed for three TDs** - 3, Jahmyr Gibbs vs. Alabama, 10/15/22  
**Rushed for four TDs** - 4, Dexter McCluster at Mississippi, 11/14/09  
**Rushed for five TDs** - 5, TaQuon Marshall vs. Georgia Tech, 9/4/17  
**Threw four TD passes** - 6, Spencer Rattler at South Carolina, 11/19/22  
**Threw five TD passes** - 6, Spencer Rattler at South Carolina, 11/19/22  
**Threw six TD passes** - 6, Spencer Rattler at South Carolina, 11/19/22  
**Caught three TD passes** - 3, Josh Reed at LSU, 9/30/00 (overtime)  
**Had an 80-yard run** - 85, Bo Scarbrough vs. Alabama, 10/15/16  
**Had an 80-yard completion** - 85, Dylan Thompson to Pharoh Cooper at South Carolina (TD), 11/1/14

#### DEFENSE

**Returned an INT for TD** - 87, Aydan White vs. NC State, 9/7/24  
**Returned a fumble for TD** - 24, Jihad Campbell at Alabama, 10/21/23  
**Recorded three sacks** - 4, Joe Evans vs. Iowa, 1/1/24  
**Intercepted two passes** - 2, DeMarkus Acy vs. Missouri, 11/17/18

#### SPECIAL TEAMS

**Returned a kickoff for TD** - 100, Kris Abrams-Draine at Missouri, 10/2/21  
**Returned a kickoff 100 yards** - 100, Kris Abrams-Draine at Missouri, 10/2/21  
**Returned a punt for TD** - 79, Eddie Jackson vs. Alabama, 10/15/16  
**Returned a blocked punt for TD** - 17, Sean Westgate at UCLA, 9/1/08  
**Returned an extra point for score** - Quinton Reese, Auburn (SEC Championship), 12/6/97 (yardage not recorded)  
**Returned a punt at least 75 yards** - 79, Eddie Jackson vs. Alabama, 10/15/16 (TD)  
**Made four FGs** - 4, Mitchell Fineran vs. Purdue, 12/30/21  
**Made a 50-yard FG** - 50, Will Reichard at Alabama, 10/21/23

### TEAM

#### OFFENSE

**Rushed for more than 300 yards** - 433 at Missouri, 11/11/17  
**Rushed for more than 400 yards** - 433 at Missouri, 11/11/17  
**Rushed for more than 500 yards** - 535 vs. Georgia Tech, 9/4/17  
**Passed for more than 300 yards** - 316 vs. Georgia, 11/18/23  
**Had more than 600 yards total offense** - 606 at South Carolina, 11/19/22 (453 pass, 153 rush)  
**Scored 50 points** - 63 at South Carolina, 11/19/22 (Score: South Carolina 63-38)  
**Scored 60 points** - 63 at South Carolina, 11/19/22 (Score: South Carolina 63-38)  
**Scored 70 points** - 70 at Trinity (present-day Duke), 11/4/1893 (Score: Trinity 70-0)  
**Failed to rush for 100 yards** - 36 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24 (34 att.)  
**Failed to pass for 100 yards** - 58 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (9-of-16)  
**Two players with 100 yards rushing** - at Missouri, I. Witter (216), L. Rountree (155), 11/11/17  
**Three players with 100 yards rushing** - Mississippi, P. Hofer (119), J. Reed (115), M. Sweet (103), 11/15/75  
**Two players with 100 yards passing** - Alabama, Jalen Hurts (198) and Tua Tagovailoa (134), 10/21/17  
**Two players with 100 yards receiving** - 155, J. Shorter; 103, R. Pearsall vs. Florida, 9/24/22

#### DEFENSE

**Held Tennessee to fewer than 100 yards rushing** - 83 at Missouri, 11/11/23 (23 att.)  
**Held Tennessee to fewer than 100 yards passing** - 44 at Alabama 10/21/17 (9-of-16, 1 int.)  
**Held Tennessee to fewer than 100 yards total offense** - 59 vs. Alabama, 10/18/80  
**Held Tennessee without TD** - at Florida, 9/21/19 (Score: Florida, 34-3)  
**Scored a safety** - vs. Florida, 9/22/18 (Tim Jordan tackled in end zone)

#### SPECIAL TEAMS

**Never had to punt** - at Kentucky, 11/6/21 (11 off. possessions in 42-45 loss)  
**Blocked a punt** - at Pitt, 9/10/22 (P.J. O'Brien)  
**Returned a blocked punt for TD** - 17 at UCLA, 9/1/08 (Sean Westgate)  
**Blocked a FG** - at Missouri, 11/23/19 (blocked by Jordan Elliot)  
**Blocked two FGs** - at Alabama, 10/24/09 (Terrence Cody blocked both)  
**Returned punt and kickoff for TD in same game** - Auburn, 11/9/13 (Chris Davis 85-yard punt return; Corey Grant 90-yard kickoff return)  
**Faked a punt** - vs. South Carolina, 9/30/23 (Kai Kroeger pass to Xavier Legette 32 yards, successful)  
**Faked a punt for first down** - vs. South Carolina, 9/30/23 (Kai Kroeger pass to Xavier Legette 32 yards, successful)  
**Failed 2-pt conversion** - at Missouri, 11/11/23 (Brady Cook failed pass attempt)  
**Scored 2-pt conversion** - vs. Clemson, 12/30/22 (Will Shipley rush)  
**Attempted an onside kick** - at Oklahoma, 9/21/24 (UT recovered)  
**Recovered a successful onside kick** - vs. Florida, 9/24/22 (UF's Diwon Black recovered)

#### MISCELLANEOUS

**Shut out Tennessee** - 41-0 vs. Georgia, 9/30/17  
**Shut out Tennessee in consecutive games** - at Kentucky and vs. Vanderbilt, 11/19/59 & 11/26/59 (Scores: 20-0, 14-0)  
**Won OT Game** - vs. Purdue, 12/30/21 (Score: Purdue 48-45 OT)  
**Lost OT game** - at Pitt, 9/10/22 (Score: UT 34-27, OT)  
**Beat a ranked Tennessee team** - vs. Georgia, 11/18/23 (Score: #1 UGA 38, #18 UT 10)  
**Beat a Tennessee team ranked in the top 15** - at Missouri, 11/11/23 (Score: #14 MIZ 36, #13 UT 7)  
**Beat a Tennessee team ranked in the top 5** - at South Carolina, 11/19/22 (Score: SC 63, #5/5/5 UT 38)

**Shaded** - Occurred in 2024



# GAME RECAPS

## GAME 1

### Chattanooga #15/15 Tennessee

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Aug. 31, 2024  
Neyland Stadium  
Knoxville, Tenn.  
Attendance: 101,915  
Time: 12:47 p.m. ET • Duration: 3:19

#### Tennessee

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Sampson, Dylan	12	124	0	124	3	56	10.3
Bishop, DeSean	5	60	0	60	1	24	12.0
Keith, Khalifa	10	44	1	43	1	9	4.3
Seldon, Cameron	7	47	0	47	0	14	6.7
McCoy, Bru	1	9	0	9	0	9	9.0
Lewis, Peyton	4	14	0	14	0	7	3.5
lamaleava, Nico	4	10	4	6	0	5	1.5
Merklinger, Jake	3	3	2	1	0	3	0.3

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
lamaleava, Nico	22	28	314	3	0	59	1
Moore, Gaston	7	12	69	0	1	13	0
Merklinger, Jake	4	4	31	0	0	13	1

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Thornton Jr., Dont'e	3	105	2	59
McCoy, Bru	6	89	0	37
Brazzell II, Chris	5	59	0	23
Sampson, Dylan	3	29	0	19
White, Squirrel	2	22	0	11
Davis, Ethan	2	20	1	16
Webb, Kaleb	2	19	0	13
Weary, Trey	3	18	0	8
Staes, Holden	2	13	0	9
Leacock, Nathan	1	13	0	13
Sneed, Dayton	1	12	0	12
Bishop, DeSean	1	10	0	10
Nimrod, Chas	1	7	0	7
Seldon, Cameron	1	-2	0	0

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB	50+
Ross, Jackson	1	23	23	23	0	0	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Gilbert, Max	2	2	42	36G, 42G

Key: G=Good, WL=Wide Left, WR=Wide Right, S=Short, B=Blocked

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Interceptions		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
McCoy, Jermod	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
White, Squirrel	1	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ross, Jordan	1	49	36	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seldon, Cameron	0	0	0	1	35	35	0	0	0

#### Chattanooga

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Davis, Reggie	20	59	8	51	0	10	2.6
Wyche, Journey	6	23	0	23	0	8	3.8
Jackson, Lance	8	10	2	8	0	3	1.0
Artopoulos, Chase	1	0	8	-8	0	0	-8.0

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Artopoulos, Chase	12	23	141	0	0	22	1
Schomburg, Luke	1	1	12	0	0	12	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Phillips, Sam	5	54	0	19
Whatley, Javin	3	40	0	22
Gibson, Jay	2	22	0	14
Domercant, Chris	1	19	0	19
Thornton, Zaire	2	18	0	12

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB	50+
Kelley, Jude	3	112	37.3	39	0	0	0
Jehu, Heath	5	202	40.4	52	0	0	2
TEAM	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Kelley, Jude	2	1	43	43G, 25WL
Karajic, Alen	1	0	n/a	55WL

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ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Interceptions		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Joseph, Kobe	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	71	71

## #15 Vols Dominate Mocs In Season Opener, 69-3

No. 15 Tennessee scored on its first seven possessions and rolled up 718 yards of total offense, cruising past Chattanooga, 69-3, on Saturday afternoon in the 2024 season opener at Neyland Stadium. Playing in front of a sellout crowd of 101,915, the Vols scored on 10 of their 13 offensive possessions, producing touchdowns on eight of them. They finished with 414 yards through the air and another 304 on the ground, tying for the second-highest total yardage number in program history. Additionally, Tennessee's 69 points were the second-most points scored in the modern era (1937-present), and the 66-point margin of victory was the third-highest of the modern era. Quarterback **Nico lamaleava** was very impressive in his first start on Shields-Watkins Field, completing his first 10 passes and finishing with 314 yards through the air on 22-of-28 accuracy with three touchdowns in only two quarters of action. That yardage total was a school record for a half. Running back **Dylan Sampson** accounted for 153 all-purpose yards and crossed the goal line three times on the ground for the second season opener in a row, while wide receiver **Dont'e Thornton Jr.** led the Vols with a 105-yard day on three catches, including two touchdown hauls from lamaleava. In total, 94 players saw action in the opener with 37 making their Tennessee debuts. Twenty-eight defensive players registered at least one tackle, paced by starting safety **Will Brooks** with five stops. Defensive end **Tyre West** was disruptive in the pass rush throughout the game, logging two TFLs, one sack, one forced fumble and a quarterback hurry on the afternoon.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Chattanooga	0	0	3	0	- 3
Tennessee	24	21	10	14	- 69

1st	11:09	UT	D. Sampson 1 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)
1st	08:34	UT	E. Davis 4 yd pass from N. lamaleava (M. Gilbert kick)
1st	07:18	UT	D. Thornton Jr. 36 yd pass from N. lamaleava (M. Gilbert kick)
1st	03:32	UT	M. Gilbert 36 yd field goal
2nd	14:03	UT	D. Sampson 3 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)
2nd	10:14	UT	D. Thornton Jr. 10 yd pass from N. lamaleava (M. Gilbert kick)
2nd	06:43	UT	D. Sampson 5 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)
3rd	10:10	UTC	J. Kelley 43 yd field goal
3rd	07:15	UT	M. Gilbert 42 yd field goal
3rd	01:13	UT	D. Bishop 22 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)
4th	04:06	UT	K. Keith 1 yd run (J. Turbyville kick)
4th	01:07	UT	Jo. Ross 13 yd punt return (J. Turbyville kick)

#### Team Stats

	UTC	UT
<b>FIRST DOWNS</b>	10	36
Rushing	2	14
Passing	8	21
Penalty	0	1
<b>NET YARDS RUSHING</b>	74	304
Rushing Attempts	35	46
Average Per Rush	2.1	6.6
Rushing Touchdowns	0	5
Rushing Yards Gained	92	311
Rushing Yards Lost	18	7
<b>NET YARDS PASSING</b>	153	414
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions	13-24-0	33-44-1
Average Per Attempt	6.4	9.4
Average Per Completion	11.8	12.5
Passing Touchdowns	0	3
<b>TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS</b>	227	718
Total Offensive Plays	59	90
Average Gain Per Play	3.1	8.0
Fumbles: Number-Lost	1-1	1-0
Penalties: Number-Yards	9-65	6-52
<b>PUNTS-YARDS</b>	9-314	1-23
Average Yards Per Punt	34.9	23.0
Net Yards Per Punt	33.8	23.0
Inside 20	0	0
50+ Yards	2	0
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair Catch	2	0
<b>KICKOFFS-YARDS</b>	2-99	12-780
Average Yards Per Kickoff	49.5	65.0
Net Yards Per Kickoff	32.0	40.0
Touchbacks	0	12
Fair Catch Yards	0	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	3-69-1
Average Per Return	0.0	23.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-35-0
Average Per Return	0.0	35.0
Interceptions: Number-Yards-TD	1-71-0	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	30:46	29:10
Third-Down Conversions	1 of 14	9 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	1 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-2	7-7
Touchdowns	0	6
Field goals	1	1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-6	1-8
PAT Kicks	0-0	9-9
2Pts Conversions	0-0	0-0
Field Goals	1-3	2-2
Points off turnovers	0	7



# GAME 2

## #14/12 Tennessee #24/23 NC State

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Sept. 7, 2024  
Bank of America Stadium  
Charlotte, N.C.  
Attendance: 72,730  
Time: 12:47 p.m. ET • Duration: 3:19

### Tennessee

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Sampson, Dylan	20	138	6	132	2	34	6.6
Iamaleava, Nico	8	68	3	65	1	31	8.1
Bishop, DeSean	10	42	0	42	0	15	4.2
Keith, Khalifa	3	5	0	5	0	2	1.7
Lewis, Peyton	3	5	0	5	0	3	1.7

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Iamaleava, Nico	16	23	211	2	2	45	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
White, Squirrel	2	67	0	45
Kitselman, Miles	3	39	1	16
Sampson, Dylan	3	37	0	21
Staes, Holden	1	18	1	18
Brazzell II, Chris	3	18	0	12
Davis, Ethan	2	14	0	10
McCoy, Bru	1	10	0	10
Webb, Kaleb	1	8	0	8

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB	50+
Ross, Jackson	1	43	43	43	1	0	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Gilbert, Max	4	3	45	32G, 45G, 36G, 53WL

Key: G=Good, WL=Wide Left, WR=Wide Right, S=Short, B=Blocked

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Interceptions		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
White, Squirrel	3	58	31	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brooks, Will	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	85	85

### NC State

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Smothers, Hollywood	6	31	6	25	0	15	4.2
Bailey, CJ	2	11	4	7	0	11	3.5
McCall, Grayson	9	20	14	6	0	11	0.7
Raphael, Kendrick	4	8	3	5	0	8	1.3
Waters, Jordan	7	11	15	-4	0	6	-0.6

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
McCall, Grayson	15	22	104	0	1	28	3

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Concepcion, Kevin	5	53	0	28
Joly, Justin	4	30	0	14
Collins, Dacari	2	13	0	7
Rogers, Noah	1	7	0	7
Smothers, Hollywood	3	1	0	4

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB	50+
Noonkester, Caden	6	276	46	58	1	0	3

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Vinesett, Kanoah	1	1	24	24G

Key: G=Good, WL=Wide Left, WR=Wide Right, S=Short, B=Blocked

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Interceptions		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Smothers, Hollywood	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	0
White, Aydan	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	87	87
Fitzgerald, Bishop	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	29	29

# #14/12 Vols Run Wild in Duke's Mayo Classic

Running back **Dylan Sampson** delivered another sensational performance, and 12th-ranked Tennessee's stellar defense shut down the No. 23 NC State Wolfpack, 51-10, in the 2024 Duke's Mayo Classic — earning UT's ninth ranked win of the **Josh Heupel** era and third-straight win over a ranked opponent at a neutral site. Sampson handled 20 carries for 132 yards and two rushing scores, marking his second consecutive game with over 100 yards and multiple touchdowns on the ground. The stifling Volunteer defense limited the Wolfpack to a Heupel-era best 143 yards of total offense (39 rushing, 104 passing) for the fewest yards allowed against a ranked foe since 1973. The Big Orange forced three turnovers, accumulated 13 tackles for loss with three sacks and saw senior safety **Will Brooks** swing the momentum in Tennessee's favor after an 85-yard pick-six in the second quarter. Redshirt freshman QB **Nico Iamaleava** accounted for three touchdowns in the victory, tallying a 31-yard rushing score on a designed run up the middle and connecting with tight ends **Miles Kitselman** and **Holden Staes** on their first receiving touchdowns for the Vols. With the final score of 51-10, Tennessee notched its third-highest margin of victory over an AP Top 25 opponent in program history and most lopsided ranked win since defeating No. 9 Florida 45-3 on Oct. 13, 1990.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Tennessee	7	13	17	14	- 51
NC State	0	3	7	0	- 10

1st	00:09	UT	D. Sampson 9 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)
2nd	09:04	NCST	K. Vinesett, Kanoah 24 yd field goal
2nd	06:33	UT	M. Gilbert 32 yd field goal
2nd	03:29	UT	W. Brooks 85 yd interception (M. Gilbert kick)
2nd	00:00	UT	M. Gilbert 45 yd field goal
3rd	10:27	UT	M. Kitselman 15 yd pass from N. Iamaleava (M. Gilbert kick)
3rd	06:31	UT	M. Gilbert 36 yd field goal
3rd	04:02	UT	N. Iamaleava 31 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)
3rd	02:20	NCST	A. White 87 yd interception (K. Vinesett kick)
4th	14:07	UT	D. Sampson 34 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)
4th	08:22	UT	H. Staes 18 yd pass from N. Iamaleava (M. Gilbert kick)

### Team Stats

	UT	NCST
<b>FIRST DOWNS</b>	22	10
Rushing	11	2
Passing	11	6
Penalty	0	2
<b>NET YARDS RUSHING</b>	249	39
Rushing Attempts	44	28
Average Per Rush	5.7	1.4
Rushing Touchdowns	3	0
Rushing Yards Gained	258	81
Rushing Yards Lost	9	42
<b>NET YARDS PASSING</b>	211	104
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions	16-23-2	15-22-1
Average Per Attempt	9.2	4.7
Average Per Completion	13.2	6.9
Passing Touchdowns	2	0
<b>TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS</b>	460	143
Total Offensive Plays	67	50
Average Gain Per Play	6.9	2.9
Fumbles: Number-Lost	0-0	3-2
Penalties: Number-Yards	7-70	6-52
<b>PUNTS-YARDS</b>	1-43	6-276
Average Yards Per Punt	43.0	46.0
Net Yards Per Punt	43.0	38.8
Inside 20	1	1
50+ Yards	0	3
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair Catch	1	2
<b>KICKOFFS-YARDS</b>	9-579	3-195
Average Yards Per Kickoff	64.3	65.0
Net Yards Per Kickoff	41.9	40.0
Touchbacks	8	3
Fair Catch Yards	0	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	3-58-0	0-0-0
Average Per Return	19.3	0.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-2-0
Average Per Return	0.0	2.0
Interceptions: Number-Yards-TD	1-85-1	2-116-1
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	31:28	28:32
Third-Down Conversions	7 of 14	3 of 12
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	0 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	5-6	1-2
Touchdowns	4	1
Field goals	2	1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-13	0-0
PAT Kicks	6-6	1-1
2Pts Conversions	0-0	0-0
Field Goals	3-4	1-1
Points off turnovers	7	10





# GAME 3

## Kent State #7/9 Tennessee

Sept. 14, 2024  
Neyland Stadium  
Knoxville, Tenn.  
Attendance: 101,915  
Time: 7:55 p.m. ET • Duration: 3:09

### Tennessee

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Bishop, DeSean	7	122	2	120	2	53	17.1
Sampson, Dylan	13	101	0	101	4	22	7.8
Lewis, Peyton	10	99	0	99	0	35	9.9
Barnes, Hunter	7	38	0	38	0	14	5.4
Iamaleava, Nico	5	31	0	31	0	11	6.2
Merklinger, Jake	4	27	6	21	0	24	5.3
Moore, Gaston	1	15	0	15	0	15	15.0
Keith, Khalifa	4	13	0	13	0	6	3.3
Wilk, Patrick	3	12	0	12	0	9	4.0
Shuler, Navy	1	6	0	6	0	6	6.0

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Iamaleava, Nico	10	16	173	1	0	53	0
Moore, Gaston	4	4	94	2	0	53	0
Merklinger, Jake	2	5	17	0	0	9	1

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Thornton Jr., Dont'e	2	64	0	53
Brazzell II, Chris	2	63	1	53
Matthews, Mike	2	35	1	18
Nimrod, Chas	2	34	0	27
White, Squirrel	1	19	0	19
Webb, Kaleb	2	17	0	9
Staes, Holden	1	16	0	16
Kitselman, Miles	1	15	1	15
McCoy, Bru	1	9	0	9
Keith, Khalifa	1	8	0	8
Sampson, Dylan	1	4	0	4

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Gilbert, Max	2	2	36	36G, 21G, 36G, 53WL

Key: G=Good, WL=Wide Left, WR=Wide Right, S=Short, B=Blocked

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Interceptions		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
White, Squirrel	1	22	22	0	0	0	0	0	0
McCoy, Jermod	1	23	23	0	0	0	0	0	0
Matthews, Mike	0	0	0	1	32	32	0	0	0
Harmon, Braylon	1	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
Carter, Boo	2	55	35	0	0	0	0	0	0

### Kent State

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Sherrod, JD	7	57	1	56	0	30	8.0
Lowe, Jordan	7	32	0	32	0	13	4.6
Douglas, Curtis	4	14	0	14	0	6	3.5
Thomas, Ky	7	12	2	10	0	3	1.4
Wolford, Cade	2	5	0	5	0	3	2.5
TEAM	5	0	63	-63	0	0	-12.6

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Kargman, Devin	9	15	58	0	0	9	0
Sherrod, JD	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
McCray, Chrishon	3	27	0	9
Etheridge, Jay Jay	2	16	0	9
Floriae, Luke	3	13	0	8
Thomas, Ky	1	2	0	2

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB	50+
Smith, Josh	8	334	41.8	49	1	1	0

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Glass, Andrew	1	0	n/a	51S

Key: G=Good, WL=Wide Left, WR=Wide Right, S=Short, B=Blocked

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Interceptions		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Floriae, Luke	0	0	0	1	8	8	0	0	0

# Sampson Ignites #7/9 Vols In Historic Shutout

**Dylan Sampson** ran for four first-half touchdowns as No. 7/9 Tennessee exploded for 37 first-quarter points en route to a record-setting 71-0 shutout of Kent State in front of a sellout crowd at Neyland Stadium. The Vols' final point total was a modern era record, replacing the old mark from a 70-3 win over Louisiana-Monroe on Sept. 23, 2000, and it stands as the most generated by the squad from Rocky Top since 1929. Additionally, Saturday night's scoring onslaught vs. the Golden Flashes (0-3) made it the first time since 1913 and only the second time in program annals that the Big Orange tallied 50 points in each of its first three games. Individually, Sampson rushed for 66 yards and three scores in the first 15 minutes and finished with 101 yards and four TDs on 13 attempts. He became the first Vol in the modern era with four rushing touchdowns in a half and tied the modern-day school single-game record with that total. **DeSean Bishop** joined Sampson with a 100-yard day of his own, carding his first effort above the century mark as a Vol with 120 yards and a career-high two touchdowns on only seven carries. Tennessee finished with a 740 to 112 edge in total yardage, with the Vols' offensive production setting a program record and tying as the 10th best in SEC history. Defensively, Tennessee limited the Golden Flashes to an opponent's lowest total yardage of the Josh Heupel era with that 112 mark. UT also extended its streak of not allowing an offensive touchdown to 16 straight quarters - its longest such streak since 1965-66.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Kent State	0	0	0	0	0
Tennessee	37	28	3	3	71

1st	11:32	UT	D. Sampson 22 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)
1st	10:35	UT	0 yd safety
1st	08:11	UT	D. Sampson 1 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)
1st	05:56	UT	C. Brazzell II 53 yd pass from N. Iamaleava (M. Gilbert kick)
1st	03:35	UT	D. Bishop 53 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)
1st	00:02	UT	D. Sampson 1 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)
2nd	13:06	UT	D. Bishop 47 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)
2nd	07:49	UT	D. Sampson 14 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)
2nd	03:06	UT	M. Kitselman 15 yd pass from G. Moore (M. Gilbert kick)
2nd	00:19	UT	M. Matthews 18 yd pass from G. Moore (M. Gilbert kick)
3rd	12:04	UT	M. Gilbert 36 yd field goal
4th	14:05	UT	M. Gilbert 21 yd field goal

### Team Stats

	KENT	UT
<b>FIRST DOWNS</b>	8	32
Rushing	5	20
Passing	2	12
Penalty	1	0
<b>NET YARDS RUSHING</b>	54	456
Rushing Attempts	32	55
Average Per Rush	1.7	8.3
Rushing Touchdowns	0	6
Rushing Yards Gained	120	464
Rushing Yards Lost	66	8
<b>NET YARDS PASSING</b>	58	284
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions	9-16-0	16-25-0
Average Per Attempt	3.6	11.4
Average Per Completion	6.4	17.8
Passing Touchdowns	0	3
<b>TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS</b>	112	740
Total Offensive Plays	48	80
Average Gain Per Play	2.3	9.2
Fumbles: Number-Lost	4-0	1-0
Penalties: Number-Yards	2-7	5-54
<b>PUNTS-YARDS</b>	8-334	0-0
Average Yards Per Punt	41.8	0.0
Net Yards Per Punt	27.1	0.0
Inside 20	1	0
50+ Yards	0	0
Touchbacks	1	0
Fair Catch	0	0
<b>KICKOFFS-YARDS</b>	2-125	11-678
Average Yards Per Kickoff	62.5	61.6
Net Yards Per Kickoff	34.0	40.5
Touchbacks	1	8
Fair Catch Yards	0	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	5-106-0
Average Per Return	0.0	21.2
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-8-0	1-32-0
Average Per Return	8.0	32.0
Interceptions: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	28:15	31:45
Third-Down Conversions	2 of 12	9 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	3 of 4
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	0-0	7-8
Touchdowns	0	5
Field goals	0	2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-6	0-0
PAT Kicks	0-0	9-9
2Pts Conversions	0-0	0-0
Field Goals	0-1	2-2



# GAME 4

## #6/7 Tennessee 25

## #15/13 Oklahoma 15

Sept. 21, 2024  
 Gaylord Family-Memorial Stadium  
 Norman, Okla.  
 Attendance: 84,701  
 Time: 6:44 p.m. CT • Duration: 3:46

### Tennessee

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Sampson, Dylan	24	97	5	92	1	16	3.8
Bishop, DeSean	16	70	5	65	0	17	4.1
Iamaleava, Nico	8	29	14	15	0	16	1.9
White, Squirrel	1	0	7	-7	0	0	-7.0
TEAM	3	0	14	-14	0	0	-4.7

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Iamaleava, Nico	13	21	194	1	0	66	3

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
McCoy, Bru	4	92	0	42
Thornton Jr., Dont'e	2	73	1	66
White, Squirrel	3	13	0	14
Davis, Ethan	1	8	0	8
Staes, Holden	2	8	0	6
Brazzell II, Chris	1	0	0	0

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB	50+
Ross, Jackson	8	387	48.4	57	2	1	3

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Gilbert, Max	3	3	41	27G, 41G, 32G

Key: G=Good, WL=Wide Left, WR=Wide Right, S=Short, B=Blocked

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Interceptions		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
White, Squirrel	2	12	8	1	0	0	0	0	0
McCoy, Jermod	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	17	17

### Oklahoma

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Hawkins Jr., Michael	12	46	24	22	0	11	1.8
Burks, Deion	2	18	0	18	0	11	9.0
Tatum, Taylor	3	14	0	14	0	6	4.7
Barnes, Jovantae	8	19	7	12	1	17	1.5
Sawchuk, Gavin	2	0	2	-2	0	0	-1.0
Franklin, Sam	1	0	3	-3	0	0	-3.0
TEAM	1	0	4	-4	0	0	-4.0
Arnold, Jackson	5	7	28	-21	0	7	-4.2

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Hawkins Jr., Michael	11	18	132	1	0	46	2
Arnold, Jackson	7	16	54	0	1	12	1

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Pettaway, Jaquaize	3	79	0	46
Sharp, Bauer	4	36	0	13
Burks, Deion	4	32	0	12
Thompson, Brenen	2	18	0	12
Roberts, Jake	2	11	0	9
Ragins, Zion	1	10	0	10
Barnes, Jovantae	2	0	1	2

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB	50+
Elzinga, Luke	7	357	51	63	3	1	4

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Keltner, Tyler	1	1	37	37G

Key: G=Good, WL=Wide Left, WR=Wide Right, S=Short, B=Blocked

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Interceptions		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Bowen, Peyton	5	30	17	0	0	0	0	0	0

# Dominant Defense Leads #6/7 Vols to Victory

No. 6 Tennessee showcased its defensive prowess in a commanding, 25-15 SEC-opening victory over No. 15 Oklahoma at Memorial Stadium. The win marked the Vols' 10th over a ranked opponent under head coach **Josh Heupel**, who made the return to his alma mater a memorable one. Tennessee established defensive dominance from the outset, limiting the Sooners to just 222 total yards, including 36 on the ground. The Vols had an impressive defensive streak end as they went 19 quarters without allowing an offensive touchdown, which went down as the second-longest in program history. Linebacker **Arion Carter** was a standout for Tennessee's defense, recording six tackles, including one for a loss, and breaking up a pass. **Andre Turrentine**, **Christian Harrison**, and **Keenan Pili** each contributed five tackles, with Pili particularly disruptive, adding a tackle for loss and two quarterback hurries. Tennessee forced three Oklahoma turnovers throughout the contest, including **Jermod McCoy's** first interception as a Vol, a forced fumble and recovery by **Joshua Josephs** and another fumble recovery by **Jakobe Thomas**. As a unit, the Vols' defense registered three sacks and 11 tackles for loss — led by **Jaxson Moi** who posted a pair of solo stops behind the line of scrimmage. On the offensive front, quarterback **Nico Iamaleava** had a solid performance in his first SEC start that included a career-long 66-yard scoring strike to **Dont'e Thornton Jr.** and four completions to **Bru McCoy** for 92 yards. **Dylan Sampson** finished with 92 yards on 24 carries and a touchdown, while fellow running back **DeSean Bishop** contributed 65 yards on 16 carries. As the clock expired in Norman, Iamaleava presented the game ball to his head coach in recognition of the significant victory.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Tennessee	10	9	3	3	- 25
Oklahoma	3	0	0	12	- 15

1st	03:45	UT	M. Gilbert 27 yd field goal
1st	00:42	OU	T. Keltner 37 yd field goal
1st	00:03	UT	D. Thornton Jr. 66 yd pass from N. Iamaleava (M. Gilbert kick)
2nd	09:12	UT	J. Jenkins 0 yd safety
2nd	01:40	UT	D. Sampson 1 yd run (M. Gilbert kick)
3rd	06:03	UT	M. Gilbert 41 yd field goal
4th	08:25	OU	J. Barnes 2 yd pass from M. Hawkins Jr. (2-pt conversion failed)
4th	03:35	UT	M. Gilbert 32 yd field goal
4th	01:01	OU	J. Barnes 1 yd run (2-pt conversion failed)

### Team Stats

	UT	OU
<b>FIRST DOWNS</b>	14	16
Rushing	8	4
Passing	5	8
Penalty	1	4
<b>NET YARDS RUSHING</b>	151	36
Rushing Attempts	52	34
Average Per Rush	2.9	1.1
Rushing Touchdowns	1	1
Rushing Yards Gained	196	104
Rushing Yards Lost	45	68
<b>NET YARDS PASSING</b>	194	186
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions	13-21-0	18-34-1
Average Per Attempt	9.2	5.5
Average Per Completion	14.9	10.3
Passing Touchdowns	1	1
<b>TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS</b>	345	222
Total Offensive Plays	73	68
Average Gain Per Play	4.7	3.3
Fumbles: Number-Lost	2-2	4-2
Penalties: Number-Yards	10-82	3-32
<b>PUNTS-YARDS</b>	8-387	7-357
Average Yards Per Punt	48.4	51.0
Net Yards Per Punt	42.1	46.4
Inside 20	2	3
50+ Yards	3	4
Touchbacks	1	1
Fair Catch	1	2
<b>KICKOFFS-YARDS</b>	6-390	4-262
Average Yards Per Kickoff	65.0	65.5
Net Yards Per Kickoff	40.0	48.5
Touchbacks	6	1
Fair Catch Yards	0	43
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	2-12-0	5-30-0
Average Per Return	6.0	6.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	1-0-0	0-0-0
Average Per Return	0.0	0.0
Interceptions: Number-Yards-TD	1-17-0	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-1-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	35:41	24:28
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 19	3 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	1 of 3
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-3	3-4
Touchdowns	1	2
Field goals	2	1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-27	3-14
PAT Kicks	2-2	0-1
2Pts Conversions	0-0	0-1
Field Goals	3-3	1-1
Points off turnovers	10	0



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OVERALL: 4-0

SEC: 1-0

HOME: 2-0

AWAY: 1-0

NEUTRAL: 1-0

SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Date	UT (rank)	Opponent	TV	Site	Time/Result	Att.	Top Rusher (A-Y-TD)	Top Passer (C-A-Y-TD)	Top Receiver (R-Y-TD)	Top Tackler
Aug. 31	15/15	Chattanooga	SECN	Knoxville	W, 69-3	101,915	D. Sampson (12-124-3)	N. Iamaleava (22-28-314-3)	D. Thornton (3-105-2)	W. Brooks (5)
Sept. 7	14/12	vs. #24/23 NC State	ABC	Charlotte	W, 51-10	72,730	D. Sampson (20-132-2)	N. Iamaleava (16-23-211-2)	S. White (2-67-0)	Three tied (4)
Sept. 14	7/9	Kent State	SECN	Knoxville	W, 71-0	101,915	D. Bishop (7-120-2)	N. Iamaleava (10-16-173-1)	D. Thornton (2-64-0)	E. Farooq (6)
Sept. 21	6/7	at #15/13 Oklahoma*	ABC	Norman	W, 25-15	84,701	D. Sampson (24-92-1)	N. Iamaleava (13-21-194-1)	B. McCoy (4-92-0)	A. Carter (6)
Oct. 5	4/4	at Arkansas*	ABC	Fayetteville	7:30 ET					
Oct. 12	-/-	Florida*	TBD	Knoxville	Flex					
Oct. 19	-/-	Alabama*	TBD	Knoxville	Flex					
Nov. 2	-/-	Kentucky*	TBD	Knoxville	Night					
Nov. 9	-/-	Miss. State* (HC)	TBD	Knoxville	Night					
Nov. 16	-/-	at Georgia*	TBD	Athens	Night					
Nov. 23	-/-	UTEP	SECN+	Knoxville	1 p.m. ET					
Nov. 30	-/-	at Vanderbilt*	TBD	Nashville	Early					

Rankings listed (AP/Coaches) \*SEC Game

TEAM STATS

	UT	OPP
<b>Scoring</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>28</b>
Points per game	54.0	7.0
Points Off Turnovers	24	10
<b>First Downs</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>44</b>
Rushing	53	13
Passing	49	24
Penalty	2	7
<b>Rushing Yardage</b>	<b>1160</b>	<b>203</b>
Yards gained rushing	1229	397
Yards lost rushing	69	194
Rushing attempts	197	129
Average per rush	5.9	1.6
Average per game	290.0	50.8
TDs Rushing	15	1
<b>Passing Yardage</b>	<b>1103</b>	<b>501</b>
Comp-Att-Int	78-113-3	55-96-2
Average per pass	9.8	5.2
Average per catch	14.1	9.1
Average per game	275.8	125.3
TDs Passing	9	1
<b>Total offense</b>	<b>2263</b>	<b>704</b>
Total plays	310	225
Average per play	7.3	3.1
Average per game	565.8	176.0
<b>Kick returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>3-67</b>	<b>2-10</b>
<b>Punt returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>13-245</b>	<b>5-30</b>
<b>Int returns: #-Yards</b>	<b>2-102</b>	<b>3-187</b>
<b>Kick return average</b>	<b>22.3</b>	<b>5.0</b>
<b>Punt return average</b>	<b>18.8</b>	<b>6.0</b>
<b>Int return average</b>	<b>51.0</b>	<b>62.3</b>
<b>Fumbles-Lost</b>	<b>4-2</b>	<b>12-5</b>
<b>Penalties-Yards</b>	<b>28-258</b>	<b>20-156</b>
Average per game	64.5	39.0
<b>Punts-Yards</b>	<b>10-453</b>	<b>30-1281</b>
Average per punt	45.3	42.7
Net punt average	40.3	36.0
<b>Kickoffs-Yards</b>	<b>38-2427</b>	<b>11-681</b>
Average per kick	63.9	61.9
Net kick average	40.6	40.5
<b>Time of possession / game</b>	<b>32:01</b>	<b>28:00</b>
<b>3rd-down conversion</b>	<b>31/63</b>	<b>9/53</b>
3rd-down pct	49%	17%
<b>4rd-down conversion</b>	<b>5/6</b>	<b>1/5</b>
4rd-down pct	83%	20%
<b>Sacks by-Yards</b>	<b>7-48</b>	<b>6-26</b>
<b>Misc Yards</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Touchdowns scored</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Field goals - attempts</b>	<b>10-11</b>	<b>3-6</b>
<b>On-Side kicks</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>0-1</b>
<b>Red-zone scores</b>	<b>(22-24) 92%</b>	<b>(5-8) 63%</b>
<b>Red-zone touchdowns</b>	<b>(15-24) 63%</b>	<b>(2-8) 25%</b>
<b>PAT-attempts</b>	<b>(26-26) 100%</b>	<b>(1-2) 50%</b>
<b>2-point conversion-attempts</b>	<b>(0-0) 0%</b>	<b>(0-1) 0%</b>
<b>Attendance</b>	<b>203830</b>	<b>84071</b>
Games / Avg per game	2/101915	1/84071
Neutral site games	-	1/72730

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
Tennessee	78	71	33	34	0	216
Opponents	3	3	10	12	0	28

INDIVIDUAL OFFENSIVE STATS

Rushing

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Dylan Sampson	4	69	460	11	449	6.5	10	56	112.3
DeSean Bishop	4	38	294	7	287	7.6	3	53	71.8
Peyton Lewis	4	17	118	0	118	6.9	0	35	29.5
Nico Iamaleava	4	25	138	21	117	4.7	1	31	29.3
Khalifa Keith	3	17	62	1	61	3.6	1	9	20.3
Cameron Seldon	2	7	47	0	47	6.7	0	14	23.5
Hunter Barnes	2	7	38	0	38	5.4	0	14	19.0
Jake Merklinger	2	7	30	8	22	3.1	0	24	11.0
Gaston Moore	3	1	15	0	15	15.0	0	15	5.0
Patrick Wilk	2	3	12	0	12	4.0	0	9	6.0
Bru McCoy	4	1	9	0	9	9.0	0	9	2.3
Navy Shuler	1	1	6	0	6	6.0	0	6	6.0
Squirrel White	4	1	0	7	-7	-7.0	0	0	-1.8
Team	4	3	0	14	-14	-4.7	0	0	-3.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>1229</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>1160</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>290.0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>50.8</b>

Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Nico Iamaleava	4	176.2	61-88-2	69.3	892	7	66	223.0
Gaston Moore	3	183.1	11-16-1	68.8	163	2	53	54.3
Jake Merklinger	2	111.5	6-9-0	66.7	48	0	13	24.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>172.0</b>	<b>78-113-3</b>	<b>69.0</b>	<b>1103</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>275.8</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>100.4</b>	<b>55-96-2</b>	<b>57.3</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>125.3</b>

Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Bru McCoy	4	12	200	16.7	0	42	50.0
Chris Brazzell II	4	11	140	12.7	1	53	35.0
Squirrel White	4	8	121	15.1	0	45	30.3
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	4	7	242	34.6	3	66	60.5
Dylan Sampson	4	7	70	10.0	0	21	17.5
Holden Staes	4	6	55	9.2	1	18	13.8
Kaleb Webb	4	5	44	8.8	0	13	11.0
Ethan Davis	4	5	42	8.4	1	16	10.5
Miles Kitselman	4	4	54	13.5	2	16	13.5
Chas Nimrod	4	3	41	13.7	0	27	10.3
Trey Weary	2	3	18	6.0	0	8	9.0
Mike Matthews	2	2	35	17.5	1	18	17.5
DeSean Bishop	4	1	10	10.0	0	10	2.5
Cameron Seldon	2	1	-2	-2.0	0	0	-1.0
Khalifa Keith	3	1	8	8.0	0	8	2.7
Nathan Leacock	3	1	13	13.0	0	13	4.3
Dayton Sneed	3	1	12	12.0	0	12	4.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>1103</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>275.8</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>125.3</b>



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INDIVIDUAL OFFENSIVE/SPECIAL TEAMS STATISTICS

Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Max Gilbert	10-11	90.9	0-0	2-2	5-5	3-3	0-1	45	0
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>3-6</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>1-2</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>0-2</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>0</b>

Scoring

Player	td	fg	PAT						dpx	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass	dpx	saf			
Dylan Sampson	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60	
Max Gilbert	-	10-11	24-24	-	-	-	-	-	-	54	
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	
DeSean Bishop	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	
Miles Kitselman	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	
Will Brooks	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Holden Staes	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Chris Brazzell II	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Ethan Davis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Khalifa Keith	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Nico Iamaleava	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Mike Matthews	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Jordan Ross	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Josh Turbyville	-	-	2-2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	
Jayson Jenkins	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	2	
<b>Total</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>10-11</b>	<b>26-26</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>216</b>	
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3-6</b>	<b>1-2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>28</b>	

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
Tennessee	78	71	33	34	0	216
Opponents	3	3	10	12	0	28

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Squirrel White	7	112	16.0	0	31
Boo Carter	2	55	27.5	0	35
Jordan Ross	1	49	49.0	1	36
Jermod McCoy	2	23	11.5	0	23
Braylon Harmon	1	6	6.0	0	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>18.8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>

Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Will Brooks	1	85	85.0	1	85
Jermod McCoy	1	17	17.0	0	17
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>51.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>85</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>62.3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>87</b>

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Squirrel White	1	0	0.0	0	0
Cameron Seldon	1	35	35.0	0	35
Mike Matthews	1	32	32.0	0	32
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>22.3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>

Fumble Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Joshua Josephs	2	0	0.0	0	0
Dominic Bailey	1	0	0.0	0	0
Jakobe Thomas	1	0	0.0	0	0
Jeremiah Telandar	1	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Jackson Ross	10	453	45.3	57	1	2	3	3	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>45.3</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1281</b>	<b>42.7</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Squirrel White	7	112	16.0	0	31
Jermod McCoy	2	23	11.5	0	23
Boo Carter	2	55	27.5	0	35
Jordan Ross	1	49	49.0	1	36
Braylon Harmon	1	6	6.0	0	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>18.8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Squirrel White	1	0	0.0	0	0
Cameron Seldon	1	35	35.0	0	35
Mike Matthews	1	32	32.0	0	32
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>22.3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>

All Purpose

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Dylan Sampson	4	449	70	0	0	0	519	129.8
DeSean Bishop	4	287	10	0	0	0	297	74.3
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	4	0	242	0	0	0	242	60.5
Squirrel White	4	-7	121	112	0	0	226	56.5
Bru McCoy	4	9	200	0	0	0	209	52.3
Chris Brazzell II	4	0	140	0	0	0	140	35.0
Peyton Lewis	4	118	0	0	0	0	118	29.5
Nico Iamaleava	4	117	0	0	0	0	117	29.3
Will Brooks	4	0	0	0	0	85	85	21.3
Cameron Seldon	2	47	-2	0	35	0	80	40.0
Khalifa Keith	3	61	8	0	0	0	69	23.0
Mike Matthews	2	0	35	0	32	0	67	33.5
Holden Staes	4	0	55	0	0	0	55	13.8
Boo Carter	4	0	0	55	0	0	55	13.8
Miles Kitselman	4	0	54	0	0	0	54	13.5
Jordan Ross	3	0	0	49	0	0	49	16.3
Kaleb Webb	4	0	44	0	0	0	44	11.0
Ethan Davis	4	0	42	0	0	0	42	10.5
Chas Nimrod	4	0	41	0	0	0	41	10.3
Jermod McCoy	4	0	0	23	0	17	40	10.0
Hunter Barnes	2	38	0	0	0	0	38	19.0
Jake Merklinger	2	22	0	0	0	0	22	11.0
Trey Weary	2	0	18	0	0	0	18	9.0
Gaston Moore	3	15	0	0	0	0	15	5.0
Nathan Leacock	3	0	13	0	0	0	13	4.3
Patrick Wilk	2	12	0	0	0	0	12	6.0
Dayton Sneed	3	0	12	0	0	0	12	4.0
Navy Shuler	1	6	0	0	0	0	6	6.0
Braylon Harmon	1	0	0	6	0	0	6	6.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1160</b>	<b>1103</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>2677</b>	<b>669.3</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>931</b>	<b>232.8</b>

Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Nico Iamaleava	4	113	117	892	1009	252.3
Dylan Sampson	4	69	449	0	449	112.3
DeSean Bishop	4	38	287	0	287	71.8
Gaston Moore	3	17	15	163	178	59.3
Peyton Lewis	4	17	118	0	118	29.5
Jake Merklinger	2	16	22	48	70	35.0
Khalifa Keith	3	17	61	0	61	20.3
Cameron Seldon	2	7	47	0	47	23.5
Hunter Barnes	2	7	38	0	38	19.0
Patrick Wilk	2	3	12	0	12	6.0
Bru McCoy	4	1	9	0	9	2.3
Navy Shuler	1	1	6	0	6	6.0
Squirrel White	4	1	-7	0	-7	-1.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>1160</b>	<b>1103</b>	<b>2263</b>	<b>565.8</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>704</b>	<b>176.0</b>





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INDIVIDUAL DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

##	Player	gp	Tackles				tfl/yds	Sacks	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot	no-yds		int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick	saf	
7	Arion Carter	4	5	10	15	2.5-4	.	.	2	1	.	.	.	.	
11	Keenan Pili	4	7	7	14	1.5-4	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	
35	Will Brooks	4	7	6	13	1-2	.	1-85	2	.	.	.	.	.	
9	Jakobe Thomas	4	8	3	11	1-5	1-5	.	1	.	1-0	.	.	.	
15	Edrees Farooq	4	6	4	10	1-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
90	Dominic Bailey	4	5	4	9	1-1	1-1	.	.	1	1-0	1	.	.	
19	Joshua Josephs	4	7	2	9	2.5-7	.	.	.	.	2-0	2	.	.	
42	Tyre West	4	6	3	9	3.5-16	2-12	.	.	1	.	1	.	.	
2	Andre Turrentine	4	5	3	8	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	
5	Christian Harrison	4	5	3	8	2-5	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	
3	Jermod McCoy	4	7	1	8	.	.	1-17	3	.	.	.	.	.	
22	Jeremiah Telander	4	6	2	8	.	.	.	1	.	1-0	.	.	.	
20	Bryson Eason	4	5	2	7	1-4	.	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	
23	Boo Carter	4	6	1	7	.	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	
55	Omarr Norman-Lott	4	2	4	6	1-7	1-7	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	
39	Jalen Smith	4	1	5	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
21	Omari Thomas	4	2	3	5	1.5-2	.	.	3	1	.	.	.	.	
51	Jaxson Moi	4	2	3	5	2.5-12	1-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
10	Elijah Simmons	4	2	2	4	1.5-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
8	Kalib Perry	3	.	4	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
53	Daevin Hobbs	4	1	3	4	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
56	Kellen Lindstrom	2	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
95	Carson Gentle	2	1	3	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
6	Jalen McMurray	4	2	1	3	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	
52	Eli Purcell	4	.	3	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
14	Christian Charles	2	2	1	3	1-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
27	James Pearce Jr.	4	1	2	3	1-10	0.5-8	.	.	5	.	.	.	.	
97	Jayson Jenkins	4	1	2	3	1.5-10	0.5-8	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	
1	Rickey Gibson III	3	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
24	Jordan Matthews	4	2	1	3	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	
12	John Slaughter	3	1	2	3	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
13	Edwin Spillman	2	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
29	Jordan Ross	3	1	2	3	1.5-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	
30	Jamal Wallace	2	.	3	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
31	Caleb Herring	3	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	
94	Nathan Robinson	4	.	2	2	0.5-0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
50	Ryan Scott	3	1	1	2	1-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
47	Matthew Salansky	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
8	Nico Iamaleava	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
85	Nathan Leacock	3	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
27	Peyton Lewis	4	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
25	Kaleb Beasley	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	
28	Marcus Goree Jr.	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
40	Colin Brazzell	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
43	Jackson Mathews	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
57	Grier Short	2	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
89	Mike Bethea II	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
	<b>Totals</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>31-106</b>	<b>7-48</b>	<b>2-102</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>5-0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	
	Opponents	4	151	192	343	20-59	6-26	3-187	7	10	2-1	2	0	0	



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TEAM GAME-BY-GAME COMPARISON

Opponent	Score	First Downs				Pen	Rushing Number-Yards	Passing		Total Offense Plays-Yards	Return Yards	Turn- Overs
		Total	Rush	Pass	Comp-Att-Int			Yards				
Chattanooga	69-3	36 / 10	14 / 2	21 / 8	1 / 0	46-304 / 35-74	33-44-1 / 13-24-0	414 / 153	90-718 / 59-227	104 / 71	1 / 1	
NC State	51-10	22 / 10	11 / 2	11 / 6	0 / 2	44-249 / 28-39	16-23-2 / 15-22-1	211 / 104	67-460 / 50-143	143 / 118	2 / 3	
Kent St.	71-0	32 / 8	20 / 5	12 / 2	0 / 1	55-456 / 32-54	16-25-0 / 9-16-0	284 / 58	80-740 / 48-112	138 / 8	0 / 0	
Oklahoma	25-15	14 / 16	8 / 4	5 / 8	1 / 4	52-151 / 34-36	13-21-0 / 18-34-1	194 / 186	73-345 / 68-222	29 / 31	2 / 3	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>216-28</b>	<b>104 / 44</b>	<b>53 / 13</b>	<b>49 / 24</b>	<b>2 / 7</b>	<b>197-1160 / 129-203</b>	<b>78-113-3 / 55-96-2</b>	<b>1103 / 501</b>	<b>310-2263 / 225-704</b>	<b>414 / 228</b>	<b>5 / 7</b>	

Opponents	3rd Down Conversion	4th Down Conversion	Time of Possession	TOP Margin	Avg Yds/Rush	Avg Yds/Pass	Avg Yds/Play	Punting Number-Avg	Penalties Number-Yards	Sacks
Chattanooga	9-15 / 1-14	1-1 / 0-0	29:10 / 30:46	-01:36	6.6 / 2.1	9.4 / 6.4	8.0 / 3.8	1-23.0 / 9-34.9	6-52.0 / 9-65.0	1 / 2
NC State	7-14 / 3-12	1-1 / 0-2	31:28 / 28:32	02:56	5.7 / 1.4	9.2 / 4.7	6.9 / 2.9	1-43.0 / 6-46.0	7-70.0 / 6-52.0	3 / 0
Kent St.	9-15 / 2-12	3-4 / 0-0	31:45 / 28:15	03:30	8.3 / 1.7	11.4 / 3.6	9.3 / 2.3	0-0.0 / 8-41.8	5-54.0 / 2-7.0	0 / 1
Oklahoma	6-19 / 3-15	0-0 / 1-3	35:41 / 24:28	11:13	2.9 / 1.1	9.2 / 5.5	4.7 / 3.3	8-48.4 / 7-51.0	10-82.0 / 3-32.0	3 / 3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>31-63 / 9-53</b>	<b>5-6 / 1-5</b>	<b>128:04 / 112:01</b>	<b>16:03</b>	<b>5.9 / 1.6</b>	<b>9.8 / 5.2</b>	<b>7.3 / 3.1</b>	<b>10-45.3 / 30-42.7</b>	<b>28-258.0 / 20-156.0</b>	<b>7 / 6</b>

TURNOVERS

TENNESSEE GIVEAWAY/TAKEAWAY

Game	Giveaway			Takeaway			Dif.
	Fum	Int	Tot	Fum	Int	Tot	
Chattanooga	0	1	1	1	0	1	Even
vs. NC State	0	2	2	2	1	3	+1
Kent State	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
at Oklahoma	2	0	2	2	1	3	+1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>+2</b>

INTERCEPTIONS

Name	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Chattanooga	0	0	0.0	0	-
vs. NC State	1	85	85.0	1	85
Kent State	0	0	0.0	0	-
at Oklahoma	1	17	17.0	0	17
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>51.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>85</b>

FUMBLES

Name	No.-Lost
Nico Iamaleava	2-2
Boo Carter	1-0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3-2</b>

OPENING DRIVES

OPENING OFFENSIVE SERIES

Game	1st Half	2nd Half
Chattanooga	TOUCHDOWN	TOUCHDOWN
vs. NC State	Punt	TOUCHDOWN
Kent State	TOUCHDOWN	FIELD GOAL
at Oklahoma	Punt	Punt

OPENING DEFENSIVE SERIES

Game	1st Half	2nd Half
Chattanooga	Fumble	Punt
vs. NC State	Punt	Fumble
Kent State	Punt	Punt
at Oklahoma	Downs	Punt

UNIFORMS

TENNESSEE UNIFORM COMBOS

Game	Helmet	Jersey	Pants
Chattanooga	Smokey Grey	Smokey Grey	Smokey Grey
vs. NC State	White	White	White
Kent State	White	Orange	Orange
at Oklahoma	White	White	White

PREGAME

COIN FLIPS

Game	Flip Outcome
Chattanooga	Chattanooga Won & Deferred to 2nd Half
vs. NC State	UT Won & Deferred to 2nd Half
Kent State	UT Won & Deferred to 2nd Half
at Oklahoma	UT Won & Deferred to 2nd Half

TENNESSEE CAPTAINS

Game	Name(s)
Chattanooga	Bru McCoy, Keenan Pili, Matthew Salansky, Omari Thomas
vs. NC State	Cooper Mays, Keenan Pili, Matthew Salansky, Elijah Simmons
Kent State	Arion Carter, Dayne Davis, Matthew Salansky, Jeremiah Telfander
at Oklahoma	Cooper Mays, Keenan Pili, Matthew Salansky, Dylan Sampson, Omari Thomas



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STARTING LINEUPS

Offense	TE	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	WR	WR	QB	TB	RB/FB/TE	WR
Chattanooga	M. Kitselman	L. Heard	A. Karic	C. Mays	J. Spraggins	J. Campbell	B. McCoy	S. White	N. lamaleava	D. Sampson	--	C. Brazzell
vs. NC State	M. Kitselman	L. Heard	A. Karic	C. Mays	J. Spraggins	J. Campbell	B. McCoy	--	N. lamaleava	D. Sampson	H. Staes	C. Brazzell
Kent State	M. Kitselman	D. Davis	A. Karic	C. Mays	J. Spraggins	J. Campbell	B. McCoy	S. White	N. lamaleava	D. Sampson	--	C. Nimrod
at Oklahoma	M. Kitselman	D. Davis	A. Karic	C. Mays	J. Spraggins	J. Campbell	B. McCoy	S. White	N. lamaleava	D. Sampson	--	C. Brazzell

Defense	LEO	DT	DT	DE	MLB	WLB	SLB	STAR	CB	S	S	CB
Chattanooga	J. Pearce	O. Thomas	B. Eason	D. Bailey	K. Pili	A. Carter	--	C. Harrison	J. McCoy	W. Brooks	A. Turrentine	J. McMurray
vs. NC State	J. Josephs	O. Thomas	B. Eason	D. Bailey	K. Pili	A. Carter	J. Pearce	--	J. McCoy	W. Brooks	A. Turrentine	R. Gibson
Kent State	J. Pearce	O. Thomas	B. Eason	D. Bailey	K. Pili	A. Carter	--	C. Harrison	J. McCoy	W. Brooks	A. Turrentine	R. Gibson
at Oklahoma	J. Pearce	E. Simmons	B. Eason	D. Bailey	K. Pili	A. Carter	--	C. Harrison	J. McCoy	W. Brooks	A. Turrentine	R. Gibson

STARTING EXPERIENCE

OFFENSE	'19	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	Tot	Strk	DEFENSE	'19	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	Tot	Strk
Chris Brazzell II, WR	.	.	.	.	8*	3	11	1	Dominic Bailey, DL	.	.	.	.	2	4	6	5
John Campbell Jr., OL	2*	4*	.	12*	9	4	31	4	Will Brooks, DB	.	.	.	.	1	4	5	4
Dayne Davis, OL	.	.	3	.	3	2	8	2	Arion Carter, LB	.	.	.	.	.	4	4	4
Lance Heard, OL	.	.	.	.	1*	2	3	.	Christian Charles, DB	.	.	1	6	.	.	7	.
Nico lamaleava, QB	.	.	.	.	1	4	5	5	Bryson Eason, DL	.	.	.	1	7	4	12	4
Andrej Karic, OL	.	1*	1*	3*	4	4	13	4	Rickey Gibson III, DB	.	.	.	.	1	3	4	3
Miles Kitselman, TE	.	.	.	.	.	4	4	4	Christian Harrison, DB	.	.	.	.	.	3	3	2
Jackson Lampley, OL	.	.	.	.	2	.	2	.	Joshua Josephs, DL	.	.	.	.	.	1	1	.
Cooper Mays, OL	.	2	8	13	9	4	36	13	Jermod McCoy, DB	.	.	.	.	5*	4	9	7
Bru McCoy, WR	.	3*	.	12	5	4	24	4	Jalen McMurray, DB	.	.	.	12*	11*	1	24	.
Chas Nimrod, WR	.	.	.	.	5	1	6	.	Jaxson Moi, DL	.	.	.	1*	7*	.	8	.
Dylan Sampson, RB	.	.	.	.	1	4	5	5	Omarr Norman-Lott, DL	.	.	1*	2*	2	.	5	.
Javontez Spraggins, OL	.	1	12	13	11	4	41	4	James Pearce Jr., DL	.	.	.	.	3	4	7	6
Holden Staes, TE	.	.	.	1*	8*	1	10	.	Kalib Perry, LB	.	.	.	.	1	.	1	.
Dont'e Thornton Jr., WR	.	.	2*	3*	3	.	8	.	Keenan Pili, LB	1*	8*	3*	12*	1	4	29	4
Squirrel White, WR	.	.	.	2	13	3	18	2	Elijah Simmons, DL	.	2	4	.	.	1	7	1

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2024 STATISTICS

EXPLOSIVE PLAYS (20+ YARDS)

20-YARD PLUS PLAYS BY TENNESSEE (35)

OFFENSE (25)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Opp.
66*	Pass	Iamaleava to Thornton Jr.	OU
59	Pass	Iamaleava to Thornton Jr.	UTC
56	Rush	Dylan Sampson	UTC
53*	Rush	DeSean Bishop	KSU
53*	Pass	Iamaleava to Brazzell II	KSU
53	Pass	Moore to Thornton Jr.	KSU
47*	Rush	DeSean Bishop	KSU
45	Pass	Iamaleava to White	NCST
42	Pass	Iamaleava to McCoy	OU
38	Pass	Iamaleava to McCoy	OU
37	Pass	Iamaleava to McCoy	UTC
36*	Pass	Iamaleava to Thornton Jr.	UTC
35	Rush	Peyton Lewis	KSU
34*	Rush	Dylan Sampson	NCST
31*	Rush	Nico Iamaleava	NCST
27	Pass	Iamaleava to Nimrod	KSU
24	Rush	Jake Merklinger	KSU
24	Rush	Peyton Lewis	KSU
24	Pass	Iamaleava to McCoy	UTC
24	Rush	DeSean Bishop	UTC
23	Pass	Iamaleava to Brazzell II	UTC
22*	Rush	Dylan Sampson	KSU
22	Pass	Iamaleava to White	NCST
22*	Rush	DeSean Bishop	UTC
21	Pass	Iamaleava to Sampson	NCST

\* touchdown scored on play

DEFENSE (1)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Opp.
85*	INT	Will Brooks	NCST

\* touchdown scored on play

SPECIAL TEAMS (9)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Opp.
49*	PR	Jordan Ross	UTC
35	PR	Boo Carter	KSU
35	KR	Cameron Seldon	UTC
32	KR	Mike Matthews	KSU
31	PR	Squirrel White	NCST
23	PR	Jermod McCoy	KSU
22	PR	Squirrel White	KSU
20	PR	Boo Carter	KSU
20	PR	Squirrel White	UTC

\* touchdown scored on play

20-YARD PLUS PLAYS BY OPPONENT (7)

OFFENSE (4)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Team
46	Pass	Hawkins Jr. to Pettaway	OU
30	Rush	JD Sherrod	KSU
28	Pass	McCall to Concepcion	NCST
22	Pass	Artopoulos to Whatley	UTC

\* touchdown scored on play

DEFENSE (3)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Team
87*	INT	Aydan White	NCST
71	INT	Kobe Joseph	UTC
29	INT	Bishop Fitzgerald	NCST

\* touchdown scored on play

SPECIAL TEAMS (0)

Yards	Type	Player(s)	Team
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\* touchdown scored on play

UT LONG PLAYS BY THE NUMBERS

Long Plays By Yards	No.	TD	Long Plays By Type	No.	TD
100+	0	0	Rushing	11	6
90-99	0	0	Passing	14	3
80-89	1	1	Punt returns	7	1
70-79	0	0	Kick returns	2	0
60-69	1	1	Interceptions	1	1
50-59	5	2	Fumble returns	0	0
40-49	4	2	Other	0	0
30-39	10	3	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>11</b>
20-29	14	2			

20-YARDS-PLUS BY PLAYER

Player	No.	TD	Rush	Rec	KR	PR	IR	FR
Squirrel White	5	0	0	2	0	3	0	0
Bru McCoy	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0
DeSean Bishop	4	3	4	0	0	0	0	0
Dylan Sampson	4	2	3	1	0	0	0	0
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	4	2	0	4	0	0	0	0
Chris Brazzell II	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	0
Boo Carter	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Peyton Lewis	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Will Brooks	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Nico Iamaleava	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mike Matthews	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Jermod McCoy	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Jake Merklinger	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Chas Nimrod	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Jordan Ross	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Cameron Seldon	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

20-YARDS-PLUS BY GAME

Player	No.	TD	R	P	KR	PR	IR	FR
Chattanooga	11	3	3	5	1	2	0	0
vs. NC State	7	3	2	3	0	1	1	0
Kent State	14	4	6	3	1	4	0	0
at Oklahoma	3	1	0	3	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

20-YARDS-PLUS OPPONENT BY GAME

Player	No.	TD	R	P	KR	PR	IR	FR
Chattanooga	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
vs. NC State	3	1	0	1	0	0	2	0
Kent State	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
at Oklahoma	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>

TENNESSEE'S LONGEST PLAYS OF THE YEAR

<b>Rushing</b>	56	Dylan Sampson vs. Chattanooga (8/31)
<b>Rushing TD</b>	53	DeSean Bishop vs. Kent State (9/14)
<b>Passing</b>	66	D. Thornton Jr. from N. Iamaleava at Oklahoma (9/21)
<b>Passing TD</b>	66	D. Thornton Jr. from N. Iamaleava at Oklahoma (9/21)
<b>Punt Return</b>	49	Jordan Ross vs. Chattanooga (8/31)
<b>Kick Return</b>	34	Cameron Seldon vs. Chattanooga (8/31)
<b>INT Return</b>	85	Will Brooks vs. NC State (9/7)
<b>Fumble Return</b>	--	--
<b>Field Goal</b>	45	Max Gilbert vs. NC State (9/7)
<b>Punt</b>	57	Jackson Ross at Oklahoma (9/21)





2024 STATISTICS

TENNESSEE MISCELLANEOUS INDIVIDUAL STATS

GAMES WITH A RECEPTION

Player	'19	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	Streak	Career
DeSean Bishop	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Chris Brazzell II	...	...	...	1*	12*	4	15	17
Charlie Browder	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1
Ethan Davis	...	...	...	...	1	3	1	4
Khalifa Keith	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Miles Kitzelman	...	...	...	1*	...	2	...	3
Nathan Leacock	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Mike Matthews	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Bru McCoy	...	6*	...	12	5	4	27	27
Chas Nimrod	...	...	...	...	7	2	...	9
Nathan Roberts	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1
Dylan Sampson	...	...	...	3	10	3	...	16
Cameron Seldon	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Dayton Sneed	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	2
Holden Staes	...	...	...	1*	8*	4	9	13
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	...	...	4*	8*	6	3	2	21
Trey Weary	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Kaleb Webb	...	...	...	...	8	3	...	11
Squirrel White	...	...	...	8	13	4	21	25

FIRST DOWN RECEPTIONS

Player	'19	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	Career
DeSean Bishop	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Chris Brazzell II	...	...	...	1*	33*	7	41
Ethan Davis	...	...	...	...	2	3	5
Miles Kitzelman	...	...	...	1*	...	4	5
Nathan Leacock	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Mike Matthews	...	...	...	...	...	2	2
Bru McCoy	...	11*	...	28	9	7	55
Chas Nimrod	...	...	...	...	10	1	11
Dylan Sampson	...	...	...	1	10	4	15
Dayton Sneed	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Holden Staes	...	...	...	1*	8*	4	13
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	...	...	4*	12*	7	6	29
Trey Weary	...	...	...	...	...	2	2
Kaleb Webb	...	...	...	...	9	2	11
Squirrel White	...	...	...	17	33	5	55

25+ YARD RECEPTIONS

Player	'19	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	Career
Chris Brazzell II	...	...	...	...	9*	1	10
Bru McCoy	...	2*	...	7	1	3	13
Chas Nimrod	...	...	...	...	1	1	2
Dylan Sampson	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Holden Staes	...	...	...	...	3*	...	3
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	...	...	2*	6*	3	4	15
Kalen Webb	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Squirrel White	...	...	...	6	6	1	13

GAMES WITH A RECEIVING TOUCHDOWN

Player	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	Streak	Career
Chris Brazzell II	...	...	...	4*	1	...	5
Ethan Davis	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Miles Kitzelman	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
Mike Matthews	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Bru McCoy	2*	...	4	1	...	...	7
Chas Nimrod	...	...	...	1	...	...	1
Dylan Sampson	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Holden Staes	...	...	...	3*	1	...	4
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	...	2*	1*	1	2	1	6
Kaleb Webb	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Squirrel White	...	...	2	2	...	...	4

GAMES WITH A RUSHING TOUCHDOWN

Player	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	Streak	Career
DeSean Bishop	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
Nico Iamaleava	...	...	...	1	1	...	2
Khalifa Keith	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Dylan Sampson	...	...	5	4	4	4	13

10+ YARD RUSHES

Player	'19	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	Career
Hunter Barnes	...	...	...	...	2	2	2
DeSean Bishop	...	...	...	...	9	9	9
Nico Iamaleava	...	...	...	...	4	4	8
Peyton Lewis	...	...	...	...	3	3	3
Jake Merklinger	...	...	...	...	1	1	1
Gaston Moore	...	...	...	...	1	1	1
Dylan Sampson	...	...	10	18	15	43	43
Cameron Seldon	...	...	...	3	2	5	5
Navy Shuler	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Patrick Wilk	...	...	...	1	2	...	3

20+ YARD RUSHES

Player	'19	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	Career
DeSean Bishop	...	...	...	...	4	4	4
Peyton Lewis	...	...	...	...	2	2	2
Nico Iamaleava	...	...	...	1	1	2	2
Jake Merklinger	...	...	...	...	1	1	1
Dylan Sampson	...	...	5	5	3	13	13

GAMES WITH A PASSING TOUCHDOWN

Player	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	Streak	Career
Nico Iamaleava	...	...	...	2	4	5	6
Gaston Moore	...	...	...	...	1	...	1

GAMES WITH MULTIPLE PASSING TOUCHDOWNS

Player	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	Streak	Career
Nico Iamaleava	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
Gaston Moore	...	...	...	...	1	...	1

GAMES WITH A TACKLE

Player	'19	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	Streak	Career
Hunter Barnes	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
Dominic Bailey	...	...	1	7	8	4	5	20
Kaleb Beasley	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Mike Bethea II	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Ben Bolton	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	3
Colin Brazzell	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Will Brooks	...	...	...	4	5	4	4	13
Arion Carter	...	...	...	...	7	4	4	11
Boo Carter	...	...	...	...	...	4	4	4
Christian Charles	...	...	3	9	...	2	1	14
Dayne Davis	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1
Bryson Eason	...	2	2	12	12	3	1	31
Edrees Farooq	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	3
Carson Gentle	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
Rickey Gibson III	...	...	...	...	4	2	1	6
Marcus Goree Jr.	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Christian Harrison	...	...	...	5	1	3	1	9
Caleb Herring	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	4
Daevin Hobbs	...	...	...	...	6	3	1	9
Nico Iamaleava	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Jayson Jenkins	...	...	...	1	4	2	2	7
Joshua Josephs	...	...	...	5	10	4	8	19
Andrej Karic	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1
Nathan Leacock	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Peyton Lewis	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Kellen Lindstrom	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Jackson Mathews	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Jordan Matthews	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	3
Jermood McCoy	...	...	...	...	8*	3	1	11
Jalen McMurray	...	...	1*	12*	11*	3	...	27
Jaxson Moi	...	...	...	9*	9*	2	1	20
Omarr Norman-Lott	...	1*	10*	7*	9	3	1	30
James Pearce Jr.	...	...	...	4	11	2	1	17
Kalib Perry	...	...	...	6	10	2	2	18
Keenan Pili	9*	10*	3*	12*	1	4	4	39
Eli Purcell	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
Nathan Robinson	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
Jordan Ross	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
Matthew Salansky	...	2	1	...	2	1	1	6
Ryan Scott	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
Cameron Seldon	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1
Grier Short	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Elijah Simmons	...	6	4	5	9	2	1	26
John Slaughter	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	3
Jalen Smith	...	...	...	...	4	3	...	7
Edwin Spillman	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	2
Javontez Spraggins	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1
Jeremiah Telander	...	...	...	...	9	3	...	12
Jakobe Thomas	...	...	...	9*	11*	4	22	24
Jourdan Thomas	...	...	...	6	8	...	...	14
Omari Thomas	...	7	11	11	11	2	1	42
Josh Turbyville	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1
Andre Turrentine	...	...	...	5	6	3	1	14
Jamal Wallace	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
Tyre West	...	...	...	6	6	4	6	16
William Wright	...	...	1	6	2	...	...	9

GAMES AS LEADING TACKLER (UT ONLY)

Player	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	Streak	Career
Will Brooks	...	...	...	1	1	...	2
Arion Carter	...	...	...	...	1	1	1
Christian Charles	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
Bryson Eason	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Edrees Farooq	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Kalib Perry	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
Keenan Pili	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Jeremiah Telander	...	...	...	1	...	...	1
Omari Thomas	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Andre Turrentine	...	...	1	...	...	...	1

DOUBLE-DIGIT TACKLE GAMES

Player	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	Streak	Career
Keenan Pili	...	1*	...	...	...	...	1
Jakobe Thomas	...	...	1*	1*	...	...	2

\*Stats were recorded while playing for another school

Note: Only stats recorded at the FBS level listed



2024 STATISTICS

TENNESSEE MISCELLANEOUS TEAM STATS

3rd-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	W 69-3	9-15 60.0	1-3 33.3	4-6 66.7	0-1 0.0	4-5 80.0	0-0 0.0
09/07/2024	vs NC State	W 51-10	7-14 50.0	2-3 66.7	0-2 0.0	4-6 66.7	1-3 33.3	0-0 0.0
09/14/2024	Kent St.	W 71-0	9-15 60.0	3-4 75.0	4-5 80.0	1-3 33.3	1-3 33.3	0-0 0.0
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	W 25-15	6-19 31.6	0-3 0.0	3-7 42.9	2-5 40.0	1-4 25.0	0-0 0.0
<b>Tennessee</b>			<b>31-63 49.2</b>	<b>6-13 46.2</b>	<b>11-20 55.0</b>	<b>7-15 46.7</b>	<b>7-15 46.7</b>	<b>0-0 0.0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>			<b>9-53 17.0</b>	<b>4-16 25.0</b>	<b>0-14 0.0</b>	<b>2-10 20.0</b>	<b>3-13 23.1</b>	<b>0-0 0.0</b>

4th-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	W 69-3	1-1 100.0	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0
09/07/2024	vs NC State	W 51-10	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0
09/14/2024	Kent St.	W 71-0	3-4 75.0	1-1 100.0	1-1 100.0	1-1 100.0	0-1 0.0	0-0 0.0
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	W 25-15	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0
<b>Tennessee</b>			<b>5-6 83.3</b>	<b>2-2 100.0</b>	<b>1-1 100.0</b>	<b>2-2 100.0</b>	<b>0-1 0.0</b>	<b>0-0 0.0</b>
<b>Opponents</b>			<b>1-5 20.0</b>	<b>0-1 0.0</b>	<b>0-0 0.0</b>	<b>0-1 0.0</b>	<b>1-3 33.3</b>	<b>0-0 0.0</b>

Time of Possession

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	W 69-3	29:10	07:48	06:47	04:28	10:07	00:00
09/07/2024	vs NC State	W 51-10	31:28	06:49	05:47	08:33	10:19	00:00
09/14/2024	Kent St.	W 71-0	31:45	08:01	06:23	02:56	14:25	00:00
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	W 25-15	35:41	06:32	11:47	09:48	07:34	00:00
<b>Tennessee</b>			<b>Total 128:04</b>	<b>29:10</b>	<b>30:44</b>	<b>25:45</b>	<b>42:25</b>	<b>00:00</b>
			<b>Avg. 32:01</b>	<b>07:18</b>	<b>07:41</b>	<b>06:26</b>	<b>10:36</b>	<b>00:00</b>
<b>Opponents</b>			<b>Total 112:01</b>	<b>29:43</b>	<b>30:28</b>	<b>23:47</b>	<b>28:03</b>	<b>00:00</b>
			<b>Avg. 28:00</b>	<b>07:26</b>	<b>07:37</b>	<b>05:57</b>	<b>07:01</b>	<b>00:00</b>

RED ZONE STATS

Tennessee Inside Opponent Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times	Times	Total	Rush Pass FGs				Failed to score inside RZ					
			In RZ	Scored	Pts	TDs	TDs	TDs	Made	FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	W 69-3	7	7	45	6	4	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
09/07/2024	vs NC State	W 51-10	6	5	28	3	1	2	2	2	0	1	0	0	0
09/14/2024	Kent St.	W 71-0	8	7	41	5	3	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	W 25-15	3	3	13	1	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals 22 of 24 (91.7%)</b>			<b>24</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Opponents Inside Tennessee Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times	Times	Total	Rush Pass FGs				Failed to score inside RZ					
			In RZ	Scored	Pts	TDs	TDs	TDs	Made	FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	W 69-3	2	1	3	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
09/07/2024	NC State	W 51-10	2	1	4	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0
09/14/2024	Kent St.	W 71-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
09/21/2024	Oklahoma	W 25-15	4	3	15	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
<b>Totals 5 of 8 (62.5%)</b>			<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>



2024 STATISTICS

OFFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

Passing

#8 Nico Iamaleava	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
Chattanooga	22	28	0	78.6	314	3	59	1-4	208.1
NC State	16	23	2	69.6	211	2	45	0-0	157.9
Kent St.	10	16	0	62.5	173	1	53	0-0	174.0
Oklahoma	13	21	0	61.9	194	1	66	3-14	155.2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>69.3</b>	<b>892</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>4-18</b>	<b>176.2</b>

#12 Jake Merklinger	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
Chattanooga	4	4	0	100.0	31	0	13	1-2	165.1
Kent St.	2	5	0	40.0	17	0	9	1-6	68.6
<b>Totals</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>66.7</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2-8</b>	<b>111.5</b>

#13 Gaston Moore	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
Chattanooga	7	12	1	58.3	69	0	13	0-0	90.0
Kent St.	4	4	0	100.0	94	2	53	0-0	462.4
<b>Totals</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>68.8</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>183.1</b>

Rushing

Player	No-Yds/TD	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK
Dylan Sampson	69-449/10	12-124/3	20-132/2	13-101/4	24-92/1
DeSean Bishop	38-287/3	5-60/1	10-42/0	7-120/2	16-65/0
Nico Iamaleava	25-117/1	4-6/0	8-65/1	5-31/0	8-15/0
Peyton Lewis	17-118/0	4-14/0	3-5/0	10-99/0	-
Khalifa Keith	17-61/1	10-43/1	3-5/0	4-13/0	DNP
Cameron Seldon	7-47/0	7-47/0	DNP	DNP	-
Hunter Barnes	7-38/0	-	DNP	7-38/0	DNP
Jake Merklinger	7-22/0	3-1/0	DNP	4-21/0	DNP
Patrick Wilk	3-12/0	-	DNP	3-12/0	DNP
Gaston Moore	1-15/0	-	-	1-15/0	DNP
Bru McCoy	1-9/0	1-9/0	-	-	-
Navy Shuler	1-6/0	DNP	DNP	1-6/0	DNP
Squirrel White	1--7/0	-	-	-	1--7/0

Receiving

Player	No-Yds/TD	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK
Bru McCoy	12-200/0	6-89/0	1-10/0	1-9/0	4-92/0
Chris Brazzell II	11-140/1	5-59/0	3-18/0	2-63/1	1-0/0
Squirrel White	8-121/0	2-22/0	2-67/0	1-19/0	3-13/0
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	7-242/3	3-105/2	-	2-64/0	2-73/1
Dylan Sampson	7-70/0	3-29/0	3-37/0	1-4/0	-
Holden Staes	6-55/1	2-13/0	1-18/1	1-16/0	2-8/0
Kaleb Webb	5-44/0	2-19/0	1-8/0	2-17/0	-
Ethan Davis	5-42/1	2-20/1	2-14/0	-	1-8/0
Miles Kitselman	4-54/2	-	3-39/1	1-15/1	-
Chas Nimrod	3-41/0	1-7/0	-	2-34/0	-
Trey Weary	3-18/0	3-18/0	DNP	-	DNP
Mike Matthews	2-35/1	DNP	DNP	2-35/1	-
Nathan Leacock	1-13/0	1-13/0	-	-	DNP
Dayton Sneed	1-12/0	1-12/0	-	-	DNP
DeSean Bishop	1-10/0	1-10/0	-	-	-
Khalifa Keith	1-8/0	-	-	1-8/0	DNP
Cameron Seldon	1--2/0	1--2/0	DNP	DNP	-



2024 STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

Total Tackles

Player	S-A	Total	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK
Arion Carter	5-10	15	0-3	2-1	0-3	3-3
Keenan Pili	7-7	14	1-1	1-3	1-2	4-1
Will Brooks	7-6	13	4-1	0-1	1-3	2-1
Jakobe Thomas	8-3	11	1-1	2-1	3-1	2-0
Edrees Farooq	6-4	10	3-0	1-0	2-4	-
Joshua Josephs	7-2	9	2-1	2-0	0-1	3-0
Tyre West	6-3	9	2-0	1-2	0-1	3-0
Dominic Bailey	5-4	9	2-1	1-2	1-0	1-1
Jermod McCoy	7-1	8	1-1	3-0	-	3-0
Jeremiah Telander	6-2	8	4-0	1-0	1-2	-
Andre Turrentine	5-3	8	1-1	1-0	-	3-2
Christian Harrison	5-3	8	1-0	1-1	-	3-2
Boo Carter	6-1	7	2-0	2-0	0-1	2-0
Bryson Eason	5-2	7	2-0	2-2	-	1-0
Omarr Norman-Lott	2-4	6	0-3	1-1	-	1-0
Jalen Smith	1-5	6	1-3	0-1	0-1	-
Omari Thomas	2-3	5	-	1-3	-	1-0
Jaxson Moi	2-3	5	-	0-3	-	2-0
Elijah Simmons	2-2	4	1-2	-	-	1-0
Kellen Lindstrom	2-2	4	-	DNP	2-2	DNP
Daevin Hobbs	1-3	4	0-2	0-1	-	1-0
Carson Gentle	1-3	4	1-1	DNP	0-2	DNP
Kalib Perry	0-4	4	-	DNP	0-3	0-1
Rickey Gibson III	2-1	3	DNP	1-0	-	1-1
Jalen McMurray	2-1	3	1-0	0-1	1-0	-
Christian Charles	2-1	3	0-1	DNP	DNP	2-0
Jordan Matthews	2-1	3	0-1	-	2-0	-
John Slaughter	1-2	3	-	0-2	1-0	DNP
Edwin Spillman	1-2	3	DNP	DNP	0-2	1-0
James Pearce Jr.	1-2	3	-	0-1	-	1-1
Jordan Ross	1-2	3	1-0	0-2	DNP	-
Jayson Jenkins	1-2	3	-	-	0-1	1-1
Jamal Wallace	0-3	3	0-1	DNP	0-2	DNP
Eli Purcell	0-3	3	-	0-1	0-2	-
Caleb Herring	1-1	2	0-1	1-0	DNP	-
Ryan Scott	1-1	2	-	0-1	1-0	DNP
Nathan Robinson	0-2	2	-	0-1	0-1	-
Nico Iamaleava	1-0	1	-	1-0	-	-
Kaleb Beasley	1-0	1	-	-	1-0	-
Marcus Goree Jr.	1-0	1	1-0	DNP	-	DNP
Colin Brazzell	1-0	1	-	DNP	1-0	DNP
Jackson Mathews	1-0	1	-	DNP	1-0	DNP
Matthew Salansky	1-0	1	-	-	-	1-0
Nathan Leacock	1-0	1	1-0	-	-	DNP
Mike Bethea II	1-0	1	-	DNP	1-0	DNP
Peyton Lewis	0-1	1	-	0-1	-	-
Grier Short	0-1	1	0-1	DNP	-	DNP

Tackles For Loss

Player	UA-A	Total	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK
Tyre West	3-1	3.5	2.0-11	0.5-1	-	1.0-4
Arion Carter	2-1	2.5	-	1.5-3	-	1.0-1
Joshua Josephs	2-1	2.5	0.5-1	1.0-5	-	1.0-1
Jaxson Moi	2-1	2.5	-	0.5-3	-	2.0-9
Christian Harrison	2-0	2.0	1.0-2	-	-	1.0-3
Elijah Simmons	1-1	1.5	0.5-2	-	-	1.0-5
Keenan Pili	1-1	1.5	-	0.5-2	-	1.0-2
Omari Thomas	1-1	1.5	-	1.5-2	-	-
Jordan Ross	1-1	1.5	1.0-2	0.5-2	DNP	-
Jayson Jenkins	1-1	1.5	-	-	-	1.5-10
Jakobe Thomas	1-0	1.0	-	1.0-5	-	-
Christian Charles	1-0	1.0	-	DNP	DNP	1.0-2
Edrees Farooq	1-0	1.0	-	1.0-1	-	-
Bryson Eason	1-0	1.0	-	1.0-4	-	-
Will Brooks	1-0	1.0	-	-	1.0-2	-
Ryan Scott	1-0	1.0	-	-	1.0-1	DNP
Omarr Norman-Lott	1-0	1.0	-	1.0-7	-	-
Dominic Bailey	1-0	1.0	-	1.0-1	-	-
James Pearce Jr.	0-2	1.0	-	0.5-2	-	0.5-8
John Slaughter	0-1	0.5	-	0.5-1	-	DNP
Daevin Hobbs	0-1	0.5	-	0.5-1	-	-
Nathan Robinson	0-1	0.5	-	0.5-0	-	-

Sacks

Player	UA-A	Total	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK
Tyre West	2-0	2	1-8	-	-	1-4
Jakobe Thomas	1-0	1	-	1-5	-	-
Jaxson Moi	1-0	1	-	-	-	1-7
Omarr Norman-Lott	1-0	1	-	1-7	-	-
Dominic Bailey	1-0	1	-	1-1	-	-
James Pearce Jr.	0-1	0.5	-	-	-	0.5-8
Jayson Jenkins	0-1	0.5	-	-	-	0.5-8





## 2024 STATISTICS

## RETURNS GAME-BY-GAME

## Punt Returns

Player	No-Yds	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK
Squirrel White	7-112	1-20	3-58	1-22	2-12
Boo Carter	2-55	-	-	2-55	-
Jermod McCoy	2-23	1-0	-	1-23	-
Jordan Ross	1-49	1-49	-	DNP	-
Braylon Harmon	1-6	DNP	DNP	1-6	DNP

## Kick Returns

Player	No-Yds	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK
Cameron Seldon	1-35	1-35	DNP	DNP	-
Mike Matthews	1-32	DNP	DNP	1-32	-
Squirrel White	1-0	-	-	-	1-0

## Interceptions Returns

Player	No-Yds	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK
Will Brooks	1-85	-	1-85	-	-
Jermod McCoy	1-17	-	-	-	1-17

## Fumble Returns

Player	No-Yds	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK
Joshua Josephs	2-0	1-0	-	-	1-0
Jakobe Thomas	1-0	-	-	-	1-0
Jeremiah Telander	1-0	-	1-0	-	-
Dominic Bailey	1-0	-	1-0	-	-



## 2024 STATISTICS

## TENNESSEE SCORING DRIVES

Opponent	Plays	Yards	TOP	Result	Qtr.	Time	How Scored
Chattanooga	11	65	3:43	TD	1	11:09	Sampson 1-yd rush
Chattanooga	4	35	1:03	TD	1	8:34	Davis 4-yd rec.
Chattanooga	2	59	0:26	TD	1	7:18	Thornton Jr. 36-yd rec.
Chattanooga	8	72	2:28	FG	1	3:32	Gilbert 36-yd FG
Chattanooga	6	78	1:59	TD	2	14:03	Sampson 3-yd rush
Chattanooga	9	79	1:55	TD	2	10:14	Thornton Jr. 10-yd rec.
Chattanooga	2	61	0:16	TD	2	6:43	Sampson 5-yd rush
Chattanooga	9	45	2:54	FG	3	7:15	Gilbert 42-yd FG
Chattanooga	6	63	1:33	TD	3	1:13	Bishop 22-yd rush
Chattanooga	17	80	7:05	TD	4	4:06	Keith 1-yd rush
Chattanooga	-	-	-	TD	4	1:07	Ross 49-yd blocked PR
vs. NC State	9	62	4:10	TD	1	0:09	Sampson 9-yd rush
vs. NC State	7	61	2:31	FG	2	6:33	Gilbert 32-yd FG
vs. NC State	-	-	-	TD	2	3:29	Brooks 85-yd INT
vs. NC State	6	18	1:44	FG	2	0:00	Gilbert 45-yd FG
vs. NC State	10	75	4:33	TD	3	10:27	Kitselman 15-yd rec.
vs. NC State	4	5	1:40	FG	3	6:31	Gilbert 36-yd FG
vs. NC State	3	34	0:43	TD	3	4:02	lamaleava 31-yd rush
vs. NC State	5	60	3:13	TD	4	14:07	Sampson 34-yd rush
vs. NC State	5	34	2:58	TD	4	8:22	Staes 18-yd rec.
Kent State	7	73	1:25	TD	1	11:32	Sampson 22-yd rush
Kent State	-	-	-	Safety	1	10:35	Kent St. FR in End Zone
Kent State	7	48	2:16	TD	1	8:11	Sampson 1-yd rush
Kent State	3	51	0:33	TD	1	5:56	Brazzell 53yd rec.
Kent State	1	53	0:11	TD	1	3:35	Bishop 53-yd rush
Kent State	8	48	3:28	TD	1	0:02	Sampson 1-yd rush
Kent State	4	56	1:03	TD	2	13:06	Bishop 47-yd rush
Kent State	7	54	2:04	TD	2	7:49	Sampson 14-yd rush
Kent State	6	90	1:56	TD	2	3:06	Kitselman 15-yd rec.
Kent State	6	48	1:20	TD	2	0:19	Matthews 18-yd rec.
Kent State	9	58	2:56	FG	3	12:04	Gilbert 36-yd FG
Kent State	12	79	6:56	FG	4	14:05	Gilbert 21-yd FG
at Oklahoma	6	42	2:36	FG	1	3:45	Gilbert 27-yd FG
at Oklahoma	2	75	0:39	TD	1	0:03	Thornton Jr. 66-yd rec.
at Oklahoma	-	-	-	Safety	2	9:12	Jenkins TFL in End Zone
at Oklahoma	8	46	3:47	TD	2	1:40	Sampson 1-yd rush
at Oklahoma	6	53	2:49	FG	3	6:03	Gilbert 41-yd FG
at Oklahoma	4	9	1:40	FG	4	3:35	Gilbert 32-yd FG

**TOTAL - 38 Scores (26 TDs | 10 FGs | 2 Safeties)**

2024 STATISTICS

PARTICIPATION

#	Player	GP-GS	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK
0	William Wright	1/0	...	...	...	XXX
0	Ethan Davis	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
1	Dont'e Thornton Jr.	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
1	Rickey Gibson III	3/3	...	START	START	START
2	Andre Turrentine	4/4	START	START	START	START
3	Squirrel White	4/3	START	XXX	START	START
3	Jermod McCoy	4/4	START	START	START	START
4	Jourdan Thomas	0/0	...	...	...	...
5	Bru McCoy	4/4	START	START	START	START
5	Christian Harrison	4/3	START	XXX	START	START
6	Jalen McMurray	4/1	START	XXX	XXX	XXX
6	Dylan Sampson	4/4	START	START	START	START
7	Arion Carter	4/4	START	START	START	START
8	Kalib Perry	3/0	XXX	...	XXX	XXX
8	Nico lamaleava	4/4	START	START	START	START
9	Jakobe Thomas	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
10	Elijah Simmons	4/1	XXX	XXX	XXX	START
10	Mike Matthews	2/0	...	...	XXX	XXX
11	Keenan Pili	4/4	START	START	START	START
11	Chas Nimrod	4/1	XXX	XXX	START	XXX
12	John Slaughter	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
12	Jake Merklinger	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
13	Gaston Moore	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
13	Edwin Spillman	2/0	...	...	XXX	XXX
14	Christian Charles	2/0	XXX	...	...	XXX
14	Braylon Staley	1/0	...	...	XXX	...
15	Ryan Damron	1/0	...	...	XXX	...
15	Edrees Farooq	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
17	Chris Brazzell II	4/3	START	START	XXX	START
18	DeSean Bishop	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
18	Tyree Weathersby	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
19	Holden Staes	4/1	XXX	START	XXX	XXX
19	Joshua Josephs	4/1	XXX	START	XXX	XXX
20	Bryson Eason	4/4	START	START	START	START
20	Khalifa Keith	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
21	Omari Thomas	4/3	START	START	START	XXX
21	Navy Shuler	1/0	...	...	XXX	...
22	Jeremiah Telander	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
23	Cameron Seldon	2/0	XXX	...	...	XXX
23	Boo Carter	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
24	Hunter Barnes	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
24	Jordan Matthews	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
25	Kaleb Beasley	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
26	Carson Whitehead	0/0	...	...	...	...
27	James Pearce Jr.	4/4	START	START	START	START
27	Peyton Lewis	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
28	Patrick Wilk	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
28	Marcus Goree Jr.	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
29	Jack-Henry Jakobik	1/0	...	...	XXX	...
29	Jordan Ross	3/0	XXX	XXX	...	XXX
30	Tommy Winton III	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
30	Jamal Wallace	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
31	Jackson Locke	1/0	...	...	XXX	...
31	Caleb Herring	3/0	XXX	XXX	...	XXX
33	Ben Bolton	2/0	...	XXX	...	XXX
35	Will Brooks	4/4	START	START	START	START
36	Nathan Roberts	1/0	...	...	XXX	...
37	Montrell Bandy	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
38	Andre Stewart	0/0	...	...	...	...
39	Jalen Smith	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX

#	Player	GP-GS	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK
39	Malcolm Kinzer	1/0	...	...	XXX	...
40	Colin Brazzell	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
41	JT Carver	1/0	XXX	...	...	...
42	Tyre West	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
42	Braylon Harmon	1/0	...	...	XXX	...
43	Jackson Mathews	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
44	Luke Shouse	0/0	...	...	...	...
44	Steele Katina	0/0	...	...	...	...
46	Cody Duncan	0/0	...	...	...	...
47	Matthew Salansky	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
48	Bennett Brady	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
50	William Satterwhite	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
50	Ryan Scott	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
51	Jaxson Moi	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
52	Eli Purcell	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
53	Daevin Hobbs	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
53	Lance Heard	2/2	START	START	...	...
54	Vysen Lang	3/0	XXX	...	XXX	XXX
54	Jordan Burns	0/0	...	...	...	...
55	Omarr Norman-Lott	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
56	Kellen Lindstrom	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
57	Grier Short	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
58	Herb Gray	0/0	...	...	...	...
58	Marshall Box	0/0	...	...	...	...
59	Masai Reddick	0/0	...	...	...	...
59	Tim Amet	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
60	Jeremias Heard	1/0	...	...	XXX	...
63	Cooper Mays	4/4	START	START	START	START
64	Ayden Bussell	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
65	Trevor Duncan	1/0	...	...	XXX	...
66	Dayne Davis	4/2	XXX	XXX	START	START
68	Bennett Warren	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
69	Gus Hill	0/0	...	...	...	...
70	Andrej Karic	4/4	START	START	START	START
71	Max Anderson	1/0	...	...	XXX	...
72	Jesse Perry	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
73	Brian Grant	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
74	John Campbell Jr.	4/4	START	START	START	START
75	Jackson Lampley	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
76	Javontez Spraggins	4/4	START	START	START	START
77	Larry Johnson III	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
78	Gage Ginther	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
79	Shamurad Umarov	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
80	Nate Spillman	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
82	Dayton Sneed	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
83	Trey Weary	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
84	Kaleb Webb	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
85	Nathan Leacock	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
86	Cole Harrison	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
87	Joshua Helsdon	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
87	Miles Kitselman	4/4	START	START	START	START
88	Charlie Browder	3/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...
89	Titus Rohrer	1/0	...	...	XXX	...
89	Mike Bethea II	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
90	Dominic Bailey	4/4	START	START	START	START
90	Max Gilbert	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
94	Josh Turbyville	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
94	Nathan Robinson	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
95	Carson Gentle	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...
96	Isaiah Inge	2/0	XXX	...	XXX	...

#	Player	GP-GS	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK
97	Jayson Jenkins	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
98	Jackson Ross	4/0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
98	Emmanuel Okoye	0/0	...	...	...	...

START indicates started  
 XXX indicates played  
 ... indicates did not play



TENNESSEE OVERTIME RECORDS

TENNESSEE OVERTIME GAMES & RESULTS (14-9)

Date	Opponent	OTs	1st Poss.	Game-Winning Score	Final Score
Sept. 19, 1998	Florida	1	Offense	Jeff Hall 41 field goal	W, 20-17
Sept. 30, 2000	at LSU	1	Defense*	Robert Royal 25 pass from Rohan Davey (John Corbello kick)	L, 31-38
Oct. 5, 2002	Arkansas	6	Offense	Jason Witten 25 pass from Casey Clausen+	W, 41-38
Sept. 27, 2003	South Carolina	1	Defense*	James Banks 4 pass from Casey Clausen+	W, 23-20
Oct. 25, 2003	at Alabama	5	Offense	Casey Clausen 1 run (James Banks pass from Casey Clausen)	W, 51-43
Sept. 26, 2005	at LSU	1	Defense*	Gerald Riggs, Jr. 1 run+	W, 30-27
Oct. 27, 2007	South Carolina	1	Offense	Daniel Lincoln 27 field goal	W, 27-24
Nov. 24, 2007	at Kentucky	4	Defense*	Quintin Hancock 40 pass from Erik Ainge (Austin Rogers pass from Ainge)	W, 52-50
Sept. 1, 2008	at UCLA	1	Defense*	Kai Forbath 42 field goal	L, 24-27
Nov. 28, 2009	at Kentucky	1	Defense*	Montario Hardesty 20 run+	W, 30-24
Sept. 25, 2010	UAB	2	Offense	Denarius Moore 25 pass from Matt Simms+	W, 32-29
Dec. 30, 2010	vs. North Carolina#	2	Defense*	Casey Barth 23 field goal+	L, 27-30
Nov. 19, 2011	Vanderbilt	1	Defense*	Eric Gordon 90 INT return+	W, 27-21
Nov. 10, 2012	Missouri	4	Defense*	Andrew Baggett 35 field goal+	L, 48-51
Oct. 5, 2013	Georgia	1	Offense	Marshall Morgan 42 field goal+	L, 31-34
Nov. 1, 2014	at South Carolina	1	Offense	Aaron Medley 32 field goal	W, 45-42
Sept. 12, 2015	Oklahoma	2	Offense	Sterling Shepard 18 pass from Baker Mayfield (Austin Seibert kick)	L, 24-31
Sept. 1, 2016	Appalachian State	1	Offense	Joshua Dobbs rush for 1 yard to the APP1, fumble forced by Kennan Gilchrist, fumble by Dobbs recovered by UT's Jalen Hurd in the end zone (Aaron Medley kick)	W, 20-13
Oct. 8, 2016	at Texas A&M	2	Offense	Trevor Knight 1 run (Daniel LaCamera kick)	L, 38-45
Sept. 4, 2017	vs. Georgia Tech^	2	Defense*	John Kelly 2 run (Aaron Medley kick)	W, 42-41
Sept. 7, 2019	BYU	2	Defense*	Ty'Son Williams 5 run+	L, 29-26
Dec. 30, 2021	vs. Purdue#	1	Offense	Mitchell Fineran 39 field goal+	L, 45-48
Sept. 10, 2022	at Pittsburgh	1	Offense	Cedric Tillman 28 pass from Hendon Hooker	W, 34-27

\*Won coin toss +Game-ending play #Bowl game ^Neutral site regular season game

OVERTIME TEAM RECORDS

**Record in OT:** 14-9 (Most OT team wins all-time in NCAA history)

**Most OT Periods:** 6 vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002

**Longest Game (Elapsed Time):** 4:43 at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007; at Texas A&M, Oct. 8, 2016

**Points:** 31 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003

**Opponent Points:** 23 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003; Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012

**Points, Both Teams:** 54 (UT 31, Alabama 23), Oct. 25, 2003

**Fewest Points:** 0 at LSU, Sept. 30, 2000; at UCLA, Sept. 1, 2008

**Fewest Points, Both Teams:** 3 (Five Times) Most Recent: (Purdue 3, UT 0), Dec. 30, 2021

**Touchdowns:** 4 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003

**Total Offense Plays:** 21 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (105 yards)

**Total Offense Yards:** 105 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (21 plays)

**Rushing Attempts:** 13 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (40 yards)

**Rushing Yards:** 40 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (13 attempts)

**Pass Attempts:** 16 vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (9 completions, 72 yards, 2 touchdowns)

**Pass Completions:** 9 vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (for 72 yards)

**Passing Yards:** 77 at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (6-of-9)

**Field Goals Attempted:** 2 vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (2 made)

**Field Goals Made:** 2 vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (2 attempts)

**Longest Drive, Plays:** 9 vs. Purdue, Dec. 30, 2021 (24 yards, TO on Downs)

**Shortest Drive, Plays:** 1 vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (25 yards, Jason Witten 25 pass from Casey Clausen); vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (25 yards, Tony Brown 25 pass from Casey Clausen); at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (25 yards, James Banks 25 pass from Casey Clausen); vs. UAB, Sept. 25, 2010 (25 yards, Denarius Moore 25 pass from Matt Simms)

**Shortest Drive, Yards:** minus-7 vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (1 play, Derrick Tinsley rush and fumble lost)

**Opponent Longest Drive, Plays:** 8, Pitt, Sept. 10, 2022 (5 yards, Turnover on Downs)

**Opponent Shortest Drive, Plays:** 1, LSU, Sept. 30, 2000 (25 yards, Robert Royal 25 pass from Rohan Davey)

**Opponent Shortest Drive, Yards:** minus-15, at South Carolina, Nov. 1, 2014 (4 plays, Elliott Fry missed 58-yard field goal attempt)

OVERTIME INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

**Points:** 14, James Banks at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (2 TDs, 1 PAT)

**Touchdowns:** 2, James Banks at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003; John Kelly vs. Georgia Tech, Sept. 4, 2017

**Rushing Attempts:** 6, Jaylen Wright vs. Purdue, Dec. 30, 2021 (23 yards)

**Rushing Yards:** 23, Jaylen Wright vs. Purdue, Dec. 30, 2021 (6 attempts); Jabari Davis vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (5 attempts)

**Longest Rushing Play:** 20, Montario Hardesty at Kentucky, Nov. 28, 2009

**Longest Rushing Touchdown:** 20 yards, Montario Hardesty at Kentucky, Nov. 28, 2009

**Passing Attempts:** 15, Tyler Bray vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (8 completions)

**Passing Completions:** 8, Tyler Bray vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (15 attempts)

**Passing Yards:** 77, Erik Ainge at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (6-of-9); Tyler Bray vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (8-of-15)

**Longest Pass Completion:** 40, Erik Ainge to Quintin Hancock (TD) at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (1st-and-10 from the 40-yard line)

**Longest Passing Touchdown:** 40, Erik Ainge to Quintin Hancock at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (1st-and-10 from the 40-yard line)

**Receptions:** 2, Cedrick Wilson at LSU, Sept. 30, 2000 (16 yards); James Banks at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (30 yards); Gerald Jones at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (20 yards); Denarius Moore vs. UAB, Sept. 25, 2010 (31 yards); Cordarrelle Patterson vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (31 yards); Rajion Neal vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (12 yards); Zach Rogers vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (10 yards); Marlin Lane vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (6 yards)

**Receiving Yards:** 40, Quintin Hancock at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (1 reception)

**Field Goals Attempted:** 2, Philip Newman vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (2 made)

**Field Goals Made:** 2, Philip Newman vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (2 attempts)

**Longest Field Goal Made:** 41, Jeff Hall vs. Florida, Sept. 19, 1998





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**DOMINIC BAILEY** **90**  
 DL • 6-3 • 292 • R-Sr.  
 Salisbury, Md.

**CAREER**

- Experienced pass rusher who is in his fifth year with the program
- Sees most time at strongside defensive end
- Has steadily improved throughout his career and is part of the starting rotation in 2024
- Played in 33 career games with six starts and has two years of eligibility remaining, which includes his COVID-19 exempt season

**2024**

- Played a season high 48 snaps in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), finishing with a pair of tackles and a QB hurry
- Set or tied career highs in tackles (3), TFLs (1.0), sacks (1.0), forced fumbles (1) and fumble recoveries (1) in victory over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Set up a UT field goal with his third-quarter strip sack of Wolfpack QB Grayson McCall that he also recovered
- Started the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and tied a career high with three tackles

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
- Goes by "Dom"
- Favorite musical artist is NBA YoungBoy
- Favorite food is chicken Alfredo
- Favorite sport other than football is basketball
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	3 (5x), last vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Tackles for Loss</b>	1.0 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Sacks</b>	1.0 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>QB Hurries</b>	1 (2x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Passes Defended</b>	1 vs. Tennessee Tech, 9/18/21
<b>Forced Fumbles</b>	1 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	1 (2x), last vs. NC State, 9/7/24

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2020	1/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	--
2021	2/0	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	1-TTU
2022	13/0	3	8	11	0-0	1-3	0	0	1	0	3-2x
2023	13/2	7	6	13	0.5-4	0.5-4	0	1	0	0	3-IOWA
2024	4/4	5	4	9	1-1	1-1	1	1	1	0	3-2x
<b>Career</b>	<b>33/6</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>1.5-5</b>	<b>2.5-8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3-5x</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	2-1-3
*vs. NC State	1-2-3, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff, 1 fr
*Kent State	1-0-1
*at Oklahoma	1-1-2, 1 qbh

**2023 Opp.**

U-A-T, Other	
*vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	1-0-1
at Florida	0-2-2
UTSA	0-2-2
South Carolina	1-1-2, 0.5 s, 0.5 tfl
Texas A&M	1-0-1
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-1-1
UConn	0-0-0
at Missouri	0-0-0
Georgia	1-0-1
Vanderbilt	0-0-0
*vs. Iowa	3-0-3, 1 fr

**2022 Opp.**

U-A-T, Other	
Ball State	0-0-0
at Pitt	0-0-0, 1 qbh

Akron	0-1-1
Florida	1-0-1
at LSU	0-3-3
Alabama	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
UT Martin	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-0-0
at Georgia	2-1-3
Missouri	0-1-1
at South Carolina	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
vs. Clemson	0-0-0

**2021 Opp.**

U-A-T, Other	
Bowling Green	DNP
Pitt	DNP
Tennessee Tech	0-1-1, 1 pd
at Florida	DNP
at Missouri	DNP
South Carolina	DNP
Ole Miss	DNP
at Alabama	DNP
at Kentucky	DNP
Georgia	0-0-0
South Alabama	DNP
Vanderbilt	DNP
vs. Purdue	DNP

**2020 Opp.**

U-A-T, Other	
Florida	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



**DE'SEAN BISHOP** **18**  
 RB • 5-10 • 200 • R-Fr.  
 Knoxville, Tenn.

**CAREER**

- Explosive, playmaking running back who produced one of the most prolific careers in Tennessee high school history for nearby Karns High School
- A contributor in UT's running back rotation this season after a strong spring and preseason camp
- Did not see action and redshirted as a true freshman as sustaining an injury during preseason camp
- Has four years of eligibility remaining, including the 2024 season
- Played in four career games

**2024**

- Tied for sixth in the SEC with four runs of 20-plus yards and is the only SEC player with multiple rushes of 40-plus yards this season
- Posted a career-high 16 carries and finished with 65 rushing yards in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/31)
- Continued his impressive start to the year with a game and career-high 120 rushing yards and two TDs on just seven carries in win over Kent State (9/14)
- Averaged 17.1 yards per attempt against the Golden Flashes had TD runs of 53 and 47 yards on consecutive carries in the first half
- Had a career-high 10 rushes for 42 yards (4.2 avg) in win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Shined in his collegiate debut, finishing with 60 rushing yards and a touchdown on just five carries, averaging 12.0 yards per attempt, while also adding one catch for 10 yards in season-opening win over Chattanooga (8/31)
- Had two carries of 20-plus yards against the Mocs, including a 22-yarder in the third quarter for his first-career touchdown

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
- Signed with Tennessee as a preferred walk-on in Dec. 2022
- Racked up 8,347 rushing yards and 102 rushing touchdowns over the course of his high school career, ranking second and third all-time in Tennessee high school football history, respectively, according to the TSSAA online record book

- Back-to-back Tennessee Titans 5A Mr. Football Award winner after compiling more than 6,000 all-purpose yards between his junior and senior seasons
- Exploded as a junior in 2021, carrying the ball 441 times for 3,179 yards and 34 touchdowns, finishing less than 200 yards shy of the state record and second in state history
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Rushes</b>	16 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Rushing Yards</b>	120 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Rushing Touchdowns</b>	2 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Long Rush</b>	53 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Receptions</b>	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Receiving Yards</b>	10 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Long Reception</b>	10 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

**CAREER STATS**

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023								DNP - Redshirted
2024	4/0	38	287	7.6	71.8	3	53	KSU 120-KSU
<b>Career</b>	<b>4/0</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>71.8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>KSU 120-KSU</b>

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023								DNP - Redshirted
2024	4/0	1	10	10.0	2.5	0	10	UTC 10-UTC
<b>Career</b>	<b>4/0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>UTC 10-UTC</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	5-60-1, 24	1-10-0, 10
vs. NC State	10-42-0, 15	0-0-0
Kent State	7-120-2, 53	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	16-65-0, 17	0-0-0



**CHRIS BRAZZELL II** **17**  
 WR • 6-5 • 200 • R-So.  
 Midland, Texas

Last name pronounced BRAZ-ull

**CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award Watch List
- 2023 CFN Freshman All-American (HM)
- 2023 All-AAC Third Team

**CAREER**

- Explosive and lengthy wide receiver who transferred to UT after playing two seasons at Tulane where he was the team's leading receiver in his final year
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2024 and went through spring practice and summer workouts
- Has three seasons of remaining eligibility, including the 2024 campaign
- Played in 15 games at Tulane, recording 45 receptions for 722 yards and five touchdowns, while averaging 16.0 yards per catch
- Owns eight 30+ yard catches and two 100-yard receiving games in his career
- Played in 19 career games (15 at Tulane, 4 at UT) with 11 starts (8 at Tulane, 3 at UT)

**2024**

- Hauled in two catches for 63 yards in win over Kent State (9/14), including a career-long 53-yarder in the first quarter for his first touchdown as a Vol
- Was productive in his Tennessee debut in the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31), tallying five receptions for 59 yards on eight targets

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sociology
- Teams up with his brother, Colin, who plays defensive back and joined the Vols in the summer of 2024
- Father, Chris, played at Blinn College and Angelo State before being selected in the sixth round (pick No. 174) of the 1998 NFL Draft by the New York Jets.

He played on the Jets' practice squad and then spent two seasons with the Dallas Cowboys (1999-2000) before playing seven seasons in the CFL with four different franchises

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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Receptions</b>	7 at FAU, 11/18/23
<b>Receiving Yards</b>	103 (2x), last at FAU, 11/18/23
<b>Receiving Touchdowns</b>	2 vs. UTSA, 11/24/23
<b>Long Reception</b>	53 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

**CAREER STATS**

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
*2022	2/0	1	11	11.0	5.5	0	11-ALC	11-ALC
*2023	13/8	44	711	16.2	54.7	5	47-UTSA	103-2x
2024	4/3	11	140	12.7	35.0	1	53-KSU	59-UTC
<b>at TU</b>	<b>15/8</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>722</b>	<b>16.0</b>	<b>48.1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>47-UTSA</b>	<b>103-2x</b>
<b>at UT</b>	<b>4/3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>35.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>53-KSU</b>	<b>59-UTC</b>
<b>Career</b>	<b>19/11</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>862</b>	<b>15.4</b>	<b>45.4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>53-KSU</b>	<b>103-2x</b>

\* at Tulane

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*Chattanooga	5-59-0, 23
*vs. NC State	3-18-0, 12
Kent State	2-63-1, 53
*at Oklahoma	1-0-0, 0

2023 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*South Alabama	4-53-1, 33
*Ole Miss	0-0-0
*at Southern Miss	3-35-1, 17
*Nicholls	4-42-0, 13
*UAB	2-49-0, 39
at Memphis	3-103-0, 38
North Texas	2-50-0, 28
at Rice	5-75-0, 24
at East Carolina	3-26-0, 12
*Tulsa	3-41-0, 26
*at FAU	7-103-1, 38
*UTSA	5-93-2, 47
*SMU	3-41-0, 22
v. Virginia Tech	DNP

2022 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
UMass	0-0-0
Alcorn State	1-11-0, 11

\* - denotes started



**WILL BROOKS**  
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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2022 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2021 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Smart, veteran and dependable safety who is in his fifth year with the program
- Earned a starting role in UT's secondary this season
- Stepped into a significant role in the Vols' secondary during the final two games of the 2023 regular season due to injuries and also been a prominent contributor on special teams coverage
- Three-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll and will wear the SEC Graduate patch this season after earning his undergraduate degree in finance in May 2024
- Played in 40 career games and made five starts

**2024**

- Played a season-high 54 snaps in win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), posting three tackles and a pass breakup in UT's dominant defensive showing
- Finished tied for second on the team with four tackles, including his first TFL of the year, in win over Kent State (9/14)

- Made his first-career interception and returned it 85 yards for a touchdown in the second quarter of win vs. #24 NC State (9/7) and also added another pass breakup
- His pick-six was the turning point in UT's win over the Wolfpack as it gave the Vols a 17-3 lead and was part of a 30-0 run to break the game open
- Started at safety in Vols' season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and led the team with five tackles on the day

**NOTABLE**

- Earned his undergraduate degree in finance in May 2024 and is pursuing an MBA
- Favorite movie is Remember The Titans
- Favorite food is steak
- Favorite TV show is The Office
- Is an avid hiker
- Wears the same pair of socks for every game
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	8 vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23
<b>Tackles for Loss</b>	1.0 (2x), last vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Interceptions</b>	1 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Passes Defended</b>	2 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	1 at LSU, 10/8/22
<b>Touchdowns</b>	1 (pick-six) vs. NC State, 9/7/24

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2020											--
2021	13/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	--
2022	13/0	4	1	5	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	2-VU
2023	10/1	13	5	18	0-0	1-6	0	0	1	0	8-VU
2024	4/4	7	6	13	0-0	1-2	0	0	3	1	5-UTC
<b>Career</b>	<b>40/5</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>2-8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8-VU</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	4-1-5
*vs. NC State	0-1-1, 2 pd, 1 int (TD)
*Kent State	1-3-4, 1 tfl
*at Oklahoma	2-1-3, 1 pd

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	1-0-1
Austin Peay	DNP
at Florida	DNP
UTSA	DNP
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	0-0-0
at Alabama	1-0-1
at Kentucky	0-0-0
UConn	2-0-2, 1 pd
at Missouri	0-0-0
Georgia	5-1-6
*Vanderbilt	4-4-8, 1 tfl
vs. Iowa	0-0-0

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	0-0-0
at Pitt	0-0-0
Akron	1-0-1
Florida	1-0-1
at LSU	0-0-0, 1 fr
Alabama	1-0-1
UT Martin	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0
Missouri	0-0-0
at South Carolina	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	1-1-2
vs. Clemson	0-0-0

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Bowling Green	0-0-0
Pitt	0-0-0
Tennessee Tech	0-0-0
at Florida	0-0-0
at Missouri	0-0-0
South Carolina	0-0-0

Ole Miss	0-0-0
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0
Georgia	0-0-0
South Alabama	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-0-0
vs. Purdue	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



**JOHN CAMPBELL JR.**  
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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- 2025 Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List
- SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (at Kentucky, 10/28/23)

**CAREER**

- Skilled, veteran offensive tackle who is in his seventh collegiate season
- Announced he would return for his final year prior to the Citrus Bowl
- Transferred to Tennessee in the spring of 2023 after spending five years at Miami
- Extremely versatile and can play both tackle spots
- Had a strong spring in 2023, in which he took control of a starting spot upon arrival and was a difference maker for the Vols, who were semifinalists for the 2023 Joe Moore Award
- Shifted to the right side for the 2024 season and played there during the spring
- Appeared in 47 career games (34 at Miami, 13 at UT) with 31 starts (18 at Miami, 13 at UT) playing 2,015 collegiate offensive snaps
- For his career, has made 25 starts at left tackle, five at right tackle and one at left guard
- The 2024 season is his final year of eligibility

**2024**

- Started his 30th career game and played 24 clean snaps at RT in blowout win over Kent State (9/14), helping UT set a program record with 740 total yards, including 456 rushing yards, and a modern-era record for total points with 71
- Started at RT and helped the Vols rush for 249 yards in blowout victory over #24 NC State (9/7), playing 30 offensive snaps without allowing a pressure
- Got the start at RT in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31), playing 37 snaps without allowing any pressures as UT racked up 718 total yards of offense, which was tied for the second most in program history

**NOTABLE**

- Earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Miami in fall of 2021
- One of his favorite places to eat is Waffle House
- X: @\_jcamp74 | IG: @jcamp.74
- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 60

**CAREER STATS**

**Games Played/Started:** 2024: 4/4; 2023: 9/9; 2022: 12/12; 2021: DNP; 2020: 7/4; 2019: 11/2; 2018: 4/0  
**Career: 47/31; Miami: 34/18; Tennessee: 13/13**



**ARION CARTER**  
LB • 6-1 • 234 • So.  
Smyrna, Tenn.

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First name pronounced air-EE-on

**CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Talented, physical in-state linebacker who is off to a strong start in 2024
- Was limited during spring practice after a shoulder surgery in October 2023 forced him to miss the final five games of the year
- Earned a starting role at WLB next to Keenan Pili
- Played in 12 career games and made four starts

**2024**

- Led a dominant defensive effort in win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21) with a team-leading and career-high six tackles, including a TFL and a pass breakup
- Flashed in win over #24 NC State (9/7), making three tackles while setting or tying career highs in TFLs (1.5), QB hurries (1) and pass breakups (1)
- Made his first-career start in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and finished with three tackles while playing 22 defensive snaps

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in pre-professional programs
- Also lettered in basketball and track & field in high school, qualifying for the state meet in the 300-meter hurdles
- X: @ArionCarter | IG: @arioncarter\_
- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 62

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	6 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Tackles for Loss</b>	1.5 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>QB Hurries</b>	1 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Passes Defended</b>	1 (3x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2023	8/0	8	9	17	0-0	1-4	0	0	1	0	4-UVA
2024	4/4	5	10	15	0-0	2.5-4	0	0	2	0	6-OU
<b>Career</b>	<b>12/4</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>3.5-8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6-OU</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	0-3-3
*vs. NC State	2-1-3, 1.5 tfl, 1 pd
*Kent State	0-3-3
*at Oklahoma	3-3-6, 1 tfl, 1 pd

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	2-2-4
Austin Peay	1-0-1
at Florida	2-1-3
UTSA	1-1-2, 1 pd
South Carolina	1-2-3, 1 tfl
Texas A&M	1-1-2
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-2-2
UConn	DNP - Injury
at Missouri	DNP - Injury
Georgia	DNP - Injury
Vanderbilt	DNP - Injury
vs. Iowa	DNP - Injury

\* - denotes started



**BOO CARTER**  
DB • 5-11 • 195 • Fr.  
Chattanooga, Tenn.

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**CAREER**

- 2024 Shaun Alexander Award Watch List
- 2024 On3 True Freshman Preseason All-American

**CAREER**

- Dynamic athlete and two-way star who has the ability to make an impact on defense and special teams as a true freshman
- Early enrollee in January 2024 who participated in Citrus Bowl practices and spring practice
- Worked in the secondary during spring practice and sees action at Tennessee's STAR position
- Has also seen time as a punt returner
- Played in four career games

**2024**

- Made a pair of tackles in his SEC debut during road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Showcased his playmaking ability in the return game with two punt returns of 20-plus yards in win vs. Kent State (9/14), including a 35-yard return in the second quarter
- Played 23 defensive snaps and made a pair of tackles in win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Flashed in his collegiate debut, playing 30 defensive snaps and making two tackles while leading all players with two QB hurries in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Full name is Orlando Boo Carter
- Majoring in marketing
- Favorite movie is Friday
- Models his game after Tyrann Mathieu
- Favorite sport other than football is baseball
- Was named the 2023 Tennessee Titans Class 6A Mr. Football Award winner after a phenomenal senior campaign that saw him finish with 1,795 all-purpose yards and 27 total touchdowns
- X: @boo\_Carter6 | IG: @boo.carter6
- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 63

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	2 (3x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>QB Hurries</b>	2 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Punt Returns</b>	2 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Punt Return Yards</b>	55 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Long Punt Return</b>	35 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2024	4/0	6	1	7	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-3x
<b>Career</b>	<b>4/0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2-3x</b>

Punt Returns	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2024	2	55	27.5	13.8	0	35-KSU	55-KSU
<b>Career</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>27.5</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>35-KSU</b>	<b>55-KSU</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other	PR-Yds-TD, Lg (Other)
Chattanooga	2-0-2, 2 qbh	0-0-0
vs. NC State	2-0-2	0-0-0
Kent State	0-1-1	2-55-0, 35
at Oklahoma	2-0-2	0-0-0



**CHRISTIAN CHARLES**  
DB • 6-1 • 200 • R-Jr.  
Gainesville, Ga.

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**CAREER**

- Versatile and instinctive redshirt junior defensive back who is also a major contributor on special teams coverage
- Suffered an Achilles injury during the Vols' second game of the 2023 season and has worked his way back

- Has recorded 46 career tackles to go along with two TFLs, one pass breakup and one fumble recovery
- Played in 22 games with seven starts in career
- Including this season, has two years of eligibility

**2024**

- Played 21 snaps and had two tackles, including a TFL, in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Saw action on 20 defensive snaps and made one tackle in season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sport management
- Was an All-Region QB at Chestatee High School
- First football player from Chestatee High School to sign with an SEC program since 2009
- X: @CD\_Charles3 | IG: @cdcharles3
- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 63

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	8 (2x), last vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
<b>Tackles for Loss</b>	1.0 (2x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Passes Defended</b>	1 at Missouri, 10/2/21
<b>Fumbles Recovered</b>	1 vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
<b>Blocked Kicks</b>	1 (Blocked Punt) vs. Pitt, 9/11/21

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2021	8/1	6	2	8	0-0	1-2	0	0	1	0	4-TTU
2022	10/6	19	16	35	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	8-2x
2023	2/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	--
2024	2/0	2	1	3	0-0	1-2	0	0	0	0	2-OU
<b>Career</b>	<b>22/7</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>2-4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8-2x</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-1-1
vs. NC State	DNP
Kent State	DNP
at Oklahoma	2-0-2, 1 tfl

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	0-0-0
Missed remainder of season due to injury	

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Ball State	3-5-8
at Pitt	0-0-0
*Akron	1-0-1
*Florida	3-1-4
*at LSU	6-1-7
*Alabama	3-5-8, 1 fr
UT Martin	DNP
Kentucky	DNP
at Georgia	DNP
Missouri	1-1-2
at South Carolina	1-1-2
*at Vanderbilt	0-1-1
vs. Clemson	1-1-2

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Bowling Green	2-0-2
Pitt	0-0-0, 1 blocked punt
Tennessee Tech	3-1-4, 1 tfl
at Florida	1-1-2
*at Missouri	0-0-0, 1 pd
South Carolina	DNP
Ole Miss	DNP
at Alabama	DNP
at Kentucky	DNP
Georgia	DNP
South Alabama	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-0-0
vs. Purdue	0-0-0

\* - denotes started







**DAYNE DAVIS**  
**OL • 6-7 • 333 • R-Sr.**  
**Bluff City, Tenn.**



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**CAREER HONORS**

- SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23)
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2022 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2021 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2020 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Former preferred walk-on offensive lineman who has been invaluable in terms of his versatility at multiple positions
- Seen action at right tackle, left tackle and center during his career
- Was a key contributor in the offensive line rotation in 2023
- Earned a scholarship in December 2020 and then made an immediate impact on the staff with his outstanding play and work ethic
- Played in 43 career games and made eight starts (six at RT, two at LT)
- Is using his last year of eligibility this season

**2024**

- Started at LT for the second straight game in SEC opener at #15 Oklahoma (9/21) and played a season-high 75 snaps, splitting time at both tackle spots
- Made his seventh career start and first at LT in win over Kent State (9/14), playing 39 clean snaps to help UT set a program record with 740 total yards, including 456 rushing yards, and a modern-era record for total points with 71
- Did not allow a pressure in 33 snaps at RT and helped the Vols rush for 249 yards in 51-10 win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Played 25 clean snaps at RT in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31) as UT racked up 718 total yards of offense, which was tied for the second most in program history

**NOTABLE**

- Earned his bachelor's degree in supply chain management from the Haslam College of Business in May 2023 and is working towards a master's degree in management and human resources
- Is an avid golfer
- Twitter/X: @BigDayne\_Davis | IG: @\_daynedavis

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**CAREER STATS**

**Games Played/Started:** 2024: 4/2; 2023: 13/3; 2022: 13/0; 2021: 13/3; 2020: 0/0; 2019: 0/0  
**Career:** 43/8



**ETHAN DAVIS**  
**TE • 6-5 • 246 • R-Fr.**  
**Atlanta, Ga.**

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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Athletic tight end with big-play potential who is part of the Vols' stellar rotation
- Outstanding job developing his body and skills in the spring and summer
- Enrolled at UT in Jan. 2023 and showed his big-play potential and physicality during spring and fall practices
- Played in seven career games

**2024**

- Saw action on 14 snaps and made one catch for eight yards in his SEC debut in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)

- Played 23 snaps and made two catches for 14 yards in blowout win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Hauled in his first-career touchdown reception on a four-yard pass from Nico Iamaleava in the first quarter of UT's season-opening win over Chattanooga (8/31) and finished with two catches for 20 yards on the day

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sociology
- Was one of the top tight end prospects in the nation coming out of Collins Hill HS in Georgia
- Was a two-sport star in high school who was also a coveted recruit on the basketball court, garnering offers from numerous major D-I programs
- Holds the school record for points in a game with 43 against Mill Creek on Feb. 9, 2022 and is a two-time Georgia All-State selection in hoops
- X: @davislethan | IG: @iamethandavis

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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Receptions</b>	2 (2x), last vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Receiving Yards</b>	33 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
<b>Receiving Touchdowns</b>	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Long Reception</b>	19 vs. UConn, 11/4/23

**CAREER STATS**

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023	3/0	2	33	16.5	11.0	0	19-CONN	33-CONN
2024	4/0	5	42	8.4	10.5	1	16-UTC	20-UTC
<b>Career</b>	<b>7/0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>19-CONN</b>	<b>33-CONN</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	2-20-1, 16
vs. NC State	2-14-0, 10
Kent State	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	1-8-0, 8

2023 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	DNP
at Florida	DNP
UTSA	DNP
South Carolina	DNP
Texas A&M	DNP
at Alabama	DNP
at Kentucky	DNP
UConn	2-33-0, 19
at Missouri	DNP
Georgia	DNP
Vanderbilt	DNP
vs. Iowa	0-0-0



**BRYSON EASON**  
**DL • 6-3 • 310 • R-Sr.**  
**Memphis, Tenn.**

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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- 2025 Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List

**CAREER**

- A strong, disruptive in-state interior defensive lineman who is coming off the best season of his career in 2023
- Has totaled 57 tackles, 11.5 TFLs, three sacks, eight QB hurries, one fumble recovery and two PBUs in his career
- Played in 39 career games with 12 starts
- Including this season, has two years of eligibility remaining

**2024**

- Played a season-high 36 snaps in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), finishing with one tackle and one QB hurry
- Played just 11 defensive snaps but posted a pass breakup in win over Kent State (9/14)

- Tied a career high with four tackles, including one TFL in victory over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Started at DT and finished with two tackles in 15 defensive snaps during season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
- Came to Tennessee has a linebacker before bulking up and transitioning to defensive line
- Made his first-career start in the 2022 Capital One Orange Bowl victory over No. 7 Clemson
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	4 (4x), last vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Tackles for Loss</b>	2.0 vs. Bowling Green, 9/2/21
<b>Sacks</b>	1.0 (2x), last at Florida, 9/16/23
<b>QB Hurries</b>	2 at Alabama, 10/21/23
<b>Passes Defended</b>	1 (2x), last vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	1 at Georgia, 11/5/22
<b>Blocked Kicks</b>	1 (FG) at Florida, 9/16/23

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2020	6/0	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-2x
2021	3/0	2	1	3	0-0	2-7	0	0	1	0	2-BG
2022	13/1	10	8	18	1.5-3	3.5-8	0	1	2	0	3-VU
2023	13/7	8	19	27	1.5-10	5-7	0	0	4	1	4-3x
2024	4/4	5	2	7	0-0	1-4	0	0	1	1	4-NCST
<b>Career</b>	<b>39/12</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>3-13</b>	<b>11.5-36</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4-4x</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	2-0-2
*vs. NC State	2-2-4, 1 tfl
*Kent State	0-0-0, 1 pd
*at Oklahoma	1-0-1, 1 qbh

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	3-1-4, 1.5 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh, 1 blk (FG)
*UTSA	0-3-3, 0.5 tfl
*South Carolina	2-2-4
*Texas A&M	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 qbh
*at Alabama	1-2-3, 2 qbh
*at Kentucky	1-3-4, 1 tfl
*UConn	0-1-1, 1 pd
*at Missouri	0-1-1
Georgia	0-1-1
Vanderbilt	0-1-1
vs. Iowa	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	0-2-2
at Pitt	0-1-1
Akron	1-1-2, 1 s, 1 tfl
Florida	1-0-1
at LSU	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s
Alabama	1-0-1
UT Martin	2-0-2, 1 qbh
Kentucky	1-0-1
at Georgia	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 fr
Missouri	0-0-0
at South Carolina	0-1-1
at Vanderbilt	2-1-3, 1 tfl
*vs. Clemson	1-1-2, 1 qbh

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Bowling Green	2-0-2, 2 tfl
Pitt	0-0-0, 1 qbh
Tennessee Tech	DNP
at Florida	DNP
at Missouri	DNP
South Carolina	DNP
Ole Miss	DNP
at Alabama	DNP
at Kentucky	DNP
Georgia	DNP
South Alabama	DNP
Vanderbilt	0-1-1





vs. Purdue DNP

2020 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
at South Carolina	DNP
Missouri	DNP
at Georgia	DNP
Kentucky	0-1-1
Alabama	0-0-0
at Arkansas	DNP
at Auburn	0-0-0
Florida	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-1-1
Texas A&M	0-0-0

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**RICKEY GIBSON III**  
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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Lockdown cornerback who made an immediate impact as a true freshman in 2023 and is one of the Vols' starters at the position in 2024
- Finished the year strong with his first career start in the Citrus Bowl and was a regular contributor on special teams coverage as well
- Arrived at Tennessee in Dec. 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices before going through spring practice 2023
- Saw an increased role at corner as the 2023 season progressed
- Played in 16 career games and has made four starts

**2024**

- Did not allow a reception and was targeted just once in a season-high 69 snaps while also making two tackles in a dominant defensive performance during win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Made his season debut in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7), getting the start at corner and making one tackle in 39 defensive snaps
- Did not play in season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) due to injury

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in supply chain management
  - His father, Rickey Gibson Jr., played basketball at Stillman College (Ala.) and went on to have a nine-year professional career overseas
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	4 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
<b>Tackles for Loss</b>	1.0 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
<b>Passes Defended</b>	1 vs. Georgia, 11/18/23

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2023	13/1	6	3	9	0-0	1-3	0	0	1	0	4-CONN
2024	3/3	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-OU
<b>Career</b>	<b>16/4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>1-3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4-CONN</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	DNP - Injury
*vs. NC State	1-0-1
*Kent State	0-0-0
*at Oklahoma	1-1-2

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	0-0-0
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	0-0-0
at Alabama	0-0-0

at Kentucky	0-1-1
UConn	3-1-4, 1 tfl
at Missouri	0-0-0
Georgia	0-0-0, 1 pd
Vanderbilt	2-1-3
*vs. Iowa	1-0-1

\* - denotes started



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**CAREER HONORS**

- SEC Special Teams Player of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/21/24)
- 2023 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Strong-legged, in-state placekicker who starred for Lausanne Collegiate School in Memphis
- Redshirted as a true freshman in 2023 and won the starting kicker spot this fall
- Arrived on Rocky Top in Dec. 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices before beginning classes in January 2023
- Played in four career games

**2024**

- Ranks No. 1 nationally among kickers in scoring (54 total points and 13.5 points/game)
- Tied for fourth in the FBS and is tied for second in the SEC in total points scored behind teammate Dylan Sampson (60 points)
- His 10 made FGs are third in the SEC and are tied for fifth in the FBS. Also ranks third in the SEC and tied for seventh nationally in PATs made with 24
- Connected on all three of his FG attempts and both PATs, including a long FG of 41 yards in his SEC debut on the road at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Posted 15 points for the second straight game after drilling a career-high nine PATs and both of his FG attempts from 36 and 21 yards in win over Kent State (9/14)
- Went 3-of-4 on field goal attempts, making his first three in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7), including a career-long 45-yarder on the last play of the first half. Also drilled all six of his PATs, giving him a total of 15 points on the night
- Was perfect in his collegiate debut, totaling 13 points after drilling a pair of field goals from 36 yards and 42 yards and all seven of his PATs

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in management
  - Was rated by Kohl's Kicking as a five-star prospect and the No. 30 placekicker in the nation
  - Was one of three finalists for the 2022 Tennessee Mr. Football High School Kicker of the Year
  - Transitioned from soccer to football after former LSU All-American kicker Josh Jasper, who coached at his high school, emailed his mother to come join the team
  - X: @maxgilbs7 | IG: @maxgilbs
- >> Full profile on UTSports.com

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Field Goals Made</b>	3 (2x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Field Goals Attempted</b>	4 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Longest Field Goal</b>	45 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Longest Attempt</b>	53 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>PATs</b>	9 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Points</b>	15 (2x), last vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

**CAREER STATS**

Kick	GP	FG	FGA	Pct.	PAT	Pts	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	Long
2023											DNP - Redshirted
2024	4	10	11	90.9	24-24	54	2-2	5-5	3-3	0-1	45-NCST
<b>Career</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>90.9</b>	<b>24-24</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>2-2</b>	<b>5-5</b>	<b>3-3</b>	<b>0-1</b>	<b>45-NCST</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	FGs, PATs, Pts
Chattanooga	2-2 (36G, 42G), 7-7, 13
vs. NC State	3-4 (32G, 45G, 36G, 53M), 6-6, 15
NC State	2-2 (36G, 21G), 9-9, 15
at Oklahoma	3-3 (27G, 41G, 32G), 2-2, 11



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**CHRISTIAN HARRISON**  
DB • 6-1 • 191 • R-So.  
Atlanta, Ga.

**CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll
- 2022 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Versatile defensive back out of Georgia who is also one of the Vols' top special teams coverage contributors
- In his third year with the program and part of the starting rotation at STAR
- Has totaled 19 tackles and 2.5 TFLs in his career
- Played in 17 career games with three starts

**2024**

- Had the most productive game of his career thus far in road win over #15 Oklahoma (9/21), posting a career-high five tackles, including a TFL, in 56 snaps played
- Finished with two tackles and a QB hurry in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made his first-career start in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31), logging one tackle and one TFL in 23 defensive snaps from the STAR position

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sport management
  - Father, Rodney Harrison, was a 15-year NFL veteran, two-time Super Bowl champion and a two-time Pro Bowler who played for the San Diego Chargers from 1994-2002 and the New England Patriots from 2003-08 before serving as a broadcaster for NBC
  - His father also owns the most sacks of any defensive back in NFL history (30.5) and is the league's all-time career leader in Super Bowl tackles (33)
  - Says his father is his biggest influence and inspiration because "he was always and still is the hardest working person in the room, and he motivates me to be great everyday"
  - Aspires to be a business owner or get into real estate following his playing career
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 72

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	5 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Tackles for Loss</b>	1.0 (2x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>QB Hurries</b>	1 vs. NC State, 9/7/24

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2022	8/0	5	4	9	0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	3-BSU
2023	5/0	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-IOWA
2024	4/3	5	3	8	0-0	2.5-5	0	0	0	0	5-OU
<b>Career</b>	<b>17/3</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>2.5-6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5-OU</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	1-0-1, 1 tfl
vs. NC State	1-1-2, 1 qbh
*Kent State	0-0-0
*at Oklahoma	3-2-5, 1 tfl

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	0-0-0
South Carolina	DNP
Texas A&M	DNP
at Alabama	DNP

at Kentucky	DNP
UConn	DNP
at Missouri	DNP
Georgia	DNP
Vanderbilt	DNP
vs. Iowa	2-0-2

<b>2022 Opp.</b>	<b>U-A-T, Other</b>
Ball State	1-2-3, 0.5 tfl
*at Pitt	DNP
*Akron	2-0-2
*Florida	DNP
*at LSU	DNP
Alabama	DNP
UT Martin	0-2-2
Kentucky	1-0-1
at Georgia	DNP
Missouri	0-0-0
at South Carolina	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	1-0-1
vs. Clemson	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



**LANCE HEARD**  
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Bonita, La.

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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)
- 2023 SEC All-Freshman Team

**CAREER**

- Physically impressive five-star offensive tackle who transferred to Tennessee after an SEC All-Freshman season at LSU in 2023
- His combination of size and athleticism was on full display in the spring as he took control of left tackle for the Vols
- Considered the second-highest rated offensive tackle prospect during the 2023 transfer portal cycle
- Signed with LSU as a member of the Class of 2023 before committing and signing with Tennessee in January 2024
- Played in 14 career games (12 at LSU, 2 at UT) and has made three starts (1 at LSU, 2 at UT)

**2024**

- Did not play in wins over Kent State (9/14) or Oklahoma (9/21) due to injury
- Started at LT and helped the Vols rush for 249 yards in blowout victory over #24 NC State (9/7), playing 63 offensive snaps
- Started at LT in Chattanooga opener (8/31) and did not allow a pressure in 45 offensive snaps as UT racked up 718 total yards of offense, which was tied for the second most in program history

**NOTABLE**

- Full name is Zalance Heard
- Majoring in communication studies
- Played in the Army All-American Game in December of 2022 and caught a touchdown pass
- Was ranked the No. 2 offensive tackle prospect in high school by On3 and No. 3 by 247Sports, Rivals and ESPN in the class of 2023
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**CAREER STATS**

**Games Played/Started:** 2024: 2/2 2023: 12/1  
**Career:** 14/3; LSU: 12/1; Tennessee: 2/2



**CALEB HERRING**  
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Newnan, Ga.

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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Athletic edge rusher with exceptional burst who is in his second season with the program in 2024
- Bulked up this offseason and did an outstanding job developing his body after true freshman season
- The consensus No. 1 overall player in the state of Tennessee for the Class of 2023 and a consensus four-star prospect
- Arrived on Rocky Top in Dec. 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices and spring practice 2023
- Saw increased action as the 2023 season progressed
- Played in 14 career games

**2024**

- Had one tackle and one quarterback hurry in 20 defensive snaps during season-opening victory vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in agricultural leadership, education and communication
- Was a top-15 edge rusher in the country by all major recruiting outlets, rated as high as No. 4 by Rivals and No. 8 by ESPN
- Younger brother of Elijah Herring, who played for the Vols from 2022-23 before transferring to Memphis
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	2 vs. UTSA, 9/23/23
<b>Tackles for Loss</b>	1.0 vs. UTSA, 9/23/23
<b>Sacks</b>	1.0 vs. UTSA, 9/23/23
<b>Quarterback Hurries</b>	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2023	11/0	1	2	3	1-7	1-7	1	0	0	0	2-UTSA
2024	3/0	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	1-2x
<b>Career</b>	<b>14/0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1-7</b>	<b>1-7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2-UTSA</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

<b>2024 Opp.</b>	<b>U-A-T, Other</b>
Chattanooga	0-1-1, 1 qbh
vs. NC State	1-0-1
Kent State	DNP
at Oklahoma	0-0-0

<b>2023 Opp.</b>	<b>U-A-T, Other</b>
vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	0-0-0
at Alabama	DNP
at Kentucky	DNP
UConn	0-0-0
at Missouri	0-1-1
Georgia	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-0-0
vs. Iowa	0-0-0



**DAEVIN HOBBS**  
DL • 6-4 • 300 • So.  
Concord, N.C.

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First name pronounced DAY-vin

**CAREER**

- Former five-star recruit out of North Carolina who is ready to make a major impact in his second season as a Vol defensive lineman
- Enrolled at Tennessee in Jan. 2023 and was limited in spring practice after recovering from an upper body injury
- When healthy, was in the defensive line rotation as a true freshman in 2023
- Played in 14 career games

**2024**

- Posted one tackle in 11 defensive snaps in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Played 13 defensive snaps and had half a TFL in win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Logged 16 defensive snaps and made two tackles in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sport management
- Considered the No. 4 defensive lineman in the country by On3 and 247Sports
- Ranked the top prospect in North Carolina by 247Sports and Rivals
- Also starred on the basketball court for Robinson High, leading the Bulldogs to a 2021 Class 2A state championship while averaging 14.7 points per game
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 76

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	3 (2x), last vs. Austin Peay, 9/9/23
<b>Tackles for Loss</b>	0.5 (3x), last vs. NC State, 9/7/24

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2023	10/0	6	8	14	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	3-2x
2024	4/0	1	3	4	0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	2-UTC
<b>Career</b>	<b>14/0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>1.5-2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3-2x</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

<b>2024 Opp.</b>	<b>U-A-T, Other</b>
Chattanooga	0-2-2
vs. NC State	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
Kent State	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	1-0-1

<b>2023 Opp.</b>	<b>U-A-T, Other</b>
vs. Virginia	3-0-3
Austin Peay	2-1-3
at Florida	DNP
UTSA	0-2-2
South Carolina	DNP
Texas A&M	DNP
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-2-2
UConn	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl
at Missouri	0-0-0
Georgia	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	1-1-2, 0.5 tfl
vs. Iowa	0-0-0





**NICO IAMALEAVA**  
**QB • 6-6 • 215 • R-Fr.**  
**Long Beach, Calif.**

Last name pronounced ee-ah-MAH-LAY-ah-va

**CAREER HONORS**

- Manning Award QB of the Week (9/11/24)
- SEC Freshman of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/21/24; vs. NC State, 9/9/24; vs. Chattanooga, 9/2/24)
- 2024 Maxwell Award Watch List
- 2024 Shaun Alexander Award Watch List
- 2024 Polynesian CFB Player of the Year Watch List
- 2024 ESPN.com College Football Top 100 Player (No. 92)
- 2024 Citrus Bowl MVP
- 2023 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Dynamic, dual-threat quarterback who is in his second season with the program
- Strong-armed signal caller with natural physical tools and leadership traits
- Member of the team's 2024 leadership council
- Arrived at Tennessee as the No. 1 prep player in the country according to On3 for the Class of 2023
- Came to Knoxville in Dec. 2022 and participated in 2022 Orange Bowl practices
- Followed that up a year later with his first career start in leading the Vols to a 2024 Citrus Bowl victory in which he was named the MVP
- Became the first UT true freshman QB to win a bowl game since Peyton Manning beat Virginia Tech in the 1994 Gator Bowl
- Played in nine career games and made five starts

**2024**

- Has been named SEC Freshman of the Week in three of the first four weeks to start the season, which has already tied UT's single-season record for most times winning the award
- Delivered another solid performance in his first-career SEC start, completing 13 of 21 passes for 194 yards, including a career-long 66-yard touchdown pass to Dont'e Thornton at the end of the first quarter, in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Was 10-of-16 passing for 173 yards and a touchdown in just a quarter and a half of action in blowout victory vs. Kent State (9/14), including a 53-yard TD pass to Chris Brazzell II in UT's record-setting 37-point first quarter. Also had five rushes for 31 yards in the win over the Golden Flashes
- Played a solid all-around game in blowout win vs. #24 NC State (9/7), passing for 211 yards and two touchdowns while adding a career-high 65 rushing yards and a score on the ground, as well ... Earned SEC Freshman of the Week honors for the second straight week
- Wowed in his first-ever start at Neyland Stadium, completing 22-of-28 pass attempts for a career-high 314 yards and three touchdowns in the first half of UT's season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31) ... Was tabbed SEC Freshman of the Week
- His 314 yards vs. the Mocs broke the school record for passing yards in a half, previously held by Tyler Bray who logged 313 in the first half against Troy on Nov. 3, 2012. It marked the fourth 300-yard passing total in a half in Tennessee history.
- Opened the game vs. UTC 10-of-10 for 159 yards and two touchdowns, and led the Vols into the end zone on each of its first three drives of the game

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in information sciences
- Is of Samoan descent
- Comes from an athletic family and has seven siblings, Nicayah, Matt, Madden, McKennah, Ninalai, Mallory and Nori
- His older brother, Matt, was one of the top high school volleyball players in the country before playing at Long Beach State

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- His sister, Nicayah, played volleyball at Cypress College
- His younger brother, Madden, is one of the top prep quarterbacks in the country for the Class of 2025
- Wears No. 8 because he is one of eight children in his family (seven siblings) and because one of his favorite players, Marcus Mariota, wore it in college
- Was widely considered one of the top high school volleyball players in the country
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Completions</b>	22 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Attempts</b>	28 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Passing Yards</b>	314 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Passings Touchdowns</b>	3 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Long Pass</b>	66 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Rushing Attempts</b>	15 vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
<b>Rushing Yards</b>	65 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Rushing Touchdowns</b>	3 vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
<b>Long Rush</b>	31 vs. NC State, 9/7/24

**CAREER STATS**

Passing	GP/GS	Comp	Att	Pct	TD	INT	Yds	Per/G	Long	High Yd
2023	5/1	28	45	62.2	2	0	314	62.8	28-CONN	151-IOWA
2024	4/4	61	88	69.3	7	2	892	223.0	66-OU	314-UTC
<b>Career</b>	<b>9/5</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>66.9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1206</b>	<b>134.0</b>	<b>66-OU</b>	<b>314-UTC</b>

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023	5/1	20	71	3.6	14.2	3	25-CONN	27-IOWA
2024	4/4	25	117	4.7	29.3	1	31-NCST	65-NCST
<b>Career</b>	<b>9/5</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>20.9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>31-NCST</b>	<b>65-NCST</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
*Chattanooga	22	28	3	0	66.7	314	59	4	6	0	5
*vs. NC State	16	23	2	2	69.6	211	45	8	65	1	31
*Kent State	10	16	1	0	62.5	173	53	5	31	0	11
*Oklahoma	13	21	1	0	61.9	194	66	8	15	0	16

2023 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
vs. Virginia	2	3	0	0	66.7	11	6	1	8	0	8
Austin Peay					DNP						
at Florida					DNP						
UTSA	0	2	0	0	0.0	0	-	1	-4	0	-4
So. Carolina					DNP						
Texas A&M					DNP						
at Alabama					DNP						
at Kentucky					DNP						
UConn	5	9	1	0	55.6	86	28	1	25	0	25
at Missouri					DNP						
Georgia					DNP						
Vanderbilt	9	12	0	0	75.0	66	14	2	15	0	11
*vs. Iowa	12	19	1	0	63.2	151	27	15	27	3	19

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**JAYSON JENKINS**  
**DL • 6-6 • 281 • R-So.**  
**Bordentown, N.J.**

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**CAREER**

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2022 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Hard-working and talented defensive end who enters his third season with the program
- Continues to make significant strides under coach Rodney Garner, who called him one of the hardest working and most improved players all spring
- Turned into a consistent contributor on UT's defensive line unit
- Played in 11 career games

**2024**

- Made the most of five defensive snaps in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), setting career highs with 1.5 TFLs and half a sack to go along with a safety in the second quarter as part of a dominating effort by UT's defense
- Made one tackle in shutout win vs. Kent State (9/14)

- Logged 13 defensive snaps in season-opening win over Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sport management
- Grandfather, Willis Crenshaw, played for Kansas State in the early 1960s and went on to play in the NFL for seven seasons for the St. Louis Cardinals and Denver Broncos
- Says he models his game after former NFL star Julius Peppers because he watched him a lot growing up
- Favorite movie is "Pulp Fiction"
- Favorite food is fried fish and mac and cheese
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	2 (2x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Tackles for Loss</b>	1.5 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Sacks</b>	0.5 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2022	1/0	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-BSU
2023	6/0	3	1	4	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	1-4x
2024	4/0	1	2	3	0.5-8	1.5-10	0	0	0	0	2-OU
<b>Career</b>	<b>11/0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0.5-8</b>	<b>2.5-11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2-2x</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-0-0
vs. NC State	0-0-0
Kent State	0-1-1
at Oklahoma	1-1-2, 1.5 tfl, 0.5 s

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-1-1
Austin Peay,	1-0-1, 1 tfl
at Florida	DNP
UTSA	1-0-1
South Carolina	DNP
Texas A&M	DNP
at Alabama	DNP
at Kentucky	DNP
UConn	1-0-1
at Missouri	DNP
Georgia	DNP
Vanderbilt	0-0-0
vs. Iowa	0-0-0

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	1-1-2



**LARRY JOHNSON III**  
**OL • 6-7 • 348 • R-So.**  
**Savannah, Ga.**

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**CAREER**

- Towering offensive lineman with impressive size who joined the Vols as a junior college transfer from Hutchinson (Kan.) Community College and owns three years of remaining eligibility
- Played in four games and earned a redshirt during his first season at Tennessee in 2023
- Arrived on Rocky Top in Dec. 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices and then spring practice
- Played in eight career games

**2024**

- Saw the most extensive action of his UT career in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21) after being forced into action due to injuries along the offensive line
- Played 41 clean snaps at LT against the Sooners and was UT's highest-graded lineman according to PFF.com after not allowing any pressures
- Did not allow any pressures in 31 offensive snaps vs. Kent State (9/14), helping UT set a program record with 740 total yards, including 456 rushing yards, and a modern-era record for total points with 71
- Played six offensive snaps at LT and nine special teams snaps in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7)



• Logged 32 snaps at LT in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31) as UT racked up 718 total yards of offense, which was tied for the second most in program history

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
  - Nickname is "Big Larry"
  - A top-10 overall junior college prospect and the No. 2 JUCO offensive tackle according to the 247Sports Composite rankings
  - Named to the All-KJCCC first team as a freshman and helped lead the Blue Dragons to an undefeated regular season and a berth to the 2021 NJCAA National Championship game
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 79

**CAREER STATS**

**Games Played/Started:** 2024: 4/0; 2023: 4/0  
**Career:** 8/0



**JOSHUA JOSEPHS**  
 DL • 6-3 • 245 • Jr.  
 Kennesaw, Ga.

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**CAREER HONORS**

- SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/21/24)

**CAREER**

- Third-year defensive pass rusher who possesses great length and quickness
- Started the 2024 season strong as one of the Vols' most prominent LEO edge rushers
- Recorded 41 tackles, 9.5 TFLs and four sacks, eight QB hurries, two forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries and three pass breakups in his career
- Played in 28 career games and made one start

**2024**

- Was extremely disruptive in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), posting three tackles, a TFL, two forced fumbles and a fumble recovery in a dominant defensive effort
- Forced and recovered a fumble to stifle a potential Sooners' scoring drive inside UT's 10-yard line at the beginning of the second quarter
- Made his first-career start in blowout win vs. #24 NC State (9/7), posting two tackles and a TFL on 18 defensive snaps
- Played 15 snaps and posted three tackles, half a TFL and made his first-career fumble recovery, which led to a first-quarter touchdown in UT's season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
  - Models his game after T.J. Watt
  - Favorite movie is Kung Fu Panda
  - Favorite artist is YoungBoy Never Broke Again
  - Would most like to visit Greece
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 84

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	5 at Missouri, 11/11/23
<b>Sacks</b>	1.0 (4x), last at Alabama, 10/21/23
<b>Tackles for Loss</b>	1.0 (8x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>QB Hurries</b>	2 vs. Florida, 9/24/22
<b>Forced Fumbles</b>	2 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	1 (2x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Passes Defended</b>	1 (3x), last at Alabama, 10/21/23

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2022	12/0	6	6	12	1-7	2.5-9	0	0	5	2	3(2x)
2023	12/0	11	9	20	3-18	4.5-24	0	0	3	1	5-MIZ
2024	4/1	7	2	9	0-0	2.5-7	2	2	0	0	3-2x
<b>Career</b>	<b>28/1</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>4-25</b>	<b>9.5-40</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5-MIZ</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	2-1-3, 0.5 tfl, 1 fr
*vs. NC State	2-0-2, 1 tfl
Kent State	0-1-1
at Oklahoma	3-0-3, 1 tfl, 2 ff, 1 fr

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	1-1-2
Austin Peay	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s
at Florida	DNP
UTSA	0-1-1
South Carolina	1-0-1, 1 s, 1 tfl, 1 qbh
Texas A&M	1-0-1
at Alabama	2-0-2, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 pd
at Kentucky	0-0-0
UConn	0-0-0, 1 qbh
at Missouri	4-1-5, 1 tfl
Georgia	0-1-1
Vanderbilt	0-4-4, 0.5 tfl, 1 qbh
vs. Iowa	1-1-2

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl, 1 pd
at Pitt	DNP
Akron	3-0-3, 1 tfl
Florida	0-1-1, 2 qbh
at LSU	1-1-2, 1 s, 1 tfl
Alabama	0-0-0
UT Martin	0-1-1, 1 qbh, 1 pd
Kentucky	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0
Missouri	0-0-0, 1 qbh
at South Carolina	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0, 1 qbh
vs. Clemson	2-1-3

\* - denotes started



**ANDREJ KARIC**  
 OL • 6-6 • 314 • Sr.  
 Southlake, Texas

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Name is pronounced awn-DRAY KAHR-ich

**CAREER**

- Athletic, nimble offensive lineman who arrived at Tennessee with three years of experience at the Power Five level at Texas
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2023 and earned a starting spot at guard in his first season
- Saw action on 540 offensive snaps at Texas and 440 at Tennessee
- Originally signed with the Longhorns for the Class of 2020 as a four-star prospect
- Has one year of eligibility remaining
- Played in 35 career games (26 at Texas, 9 at UT) with 13 starts (5 at Texas, 8 at UT)
- Of his 13 starts, eight have come at left guard, three at jumbo tight end, one at left tackle and one at right tackle

**2024**

- Tennessee's starting left guard in all four games this season and according to PFF College, has not allowed a sack or QB hit in 193 offensive snaps
- Played all 73 snaps at LG in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21) and did not allow a pressure in the victory
- Started at LG vs. Kent State (9/14) and saw action on 12 offensive snaps, helping UT post a record-setting 37 first-quarter points
- Made second-straight start at LG vs. #24 NC State (9/7), played 63 snaps without allowing a pressure and paved the way for 249 rushing yards and 460 yards of total offense
- Started the season opener at LG vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and played 43 clean snaps, helping the Vols pile up 718 total yards of offense, which is tied for the third most in program history

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
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**CAREER STATS**

**Games Played/Started:** 2024: 4/4; 2023: 5/4; 2022: 12/3; 2021: 11/1; 2020: 3/1

**Career:** 35/13; Texas: 26/5; Tennessee: 9/8



**KHALIFA KEITH**  
 RB • 6-1 • 239 • So.  
 Birmingham, Ala.

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First name is pronounced kah-LEE-fah

**CAREER**

- Bruising, physical running back with a strong frame and explosive playmaking ability
- Saw extensive action on special teams during his freshman season and has played in 15 career games

**2024**

- Carried the ball four times for 13 yards and made an 8-yard catch in the win over Kent State (9/14)
- Saw late action and handled three carries for five yards in victory vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Logged a career-best 10 carries for 43 yards and scored his first-career touchdown in the fourth quarter of the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
  - Favorite musical artist is Lil Baby
  - Favorite movie is the Avatar series
  - Favorite sport other than football is basketball
  - Says his little brother, Kaden, has been the biggest inspiration for him
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Rushes</b>	10 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Rushing Yards</b>	43 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Rushing Touchdowns</b>	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Long Rush</b>	9 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Receptions</b>	1 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Receiving Yards</b>	8 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Long Reception</b>	8 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

**CAREER STATS**

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023	12/0	11	24	2.2	2.0	0	6-UVA	10-IOWA
2024	3/0	17	61	3.6	20.3	1	9-UTC	43-UTC
<b>Career</b>	<b>15/0</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9-UTC</b>	<b>43-UTC</b>

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023	12/0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	--	--
2024	3/0	1	8	8.0	2.7	0	8-KSU	8-KSU
<b>Career</b>	<b>15/0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8-KSU</b>	<b>8-KSU</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	10-43-1, 9	0-0-0
vs. NC State	3-5-0, 2	0-0-0
Kent State	4-13-0, 6	1-8-0, 8
at Oklahoma	DNP	

2023 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Virginia	2-8-0, 6	0-0-0
Austin Peay	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Florida	DNP	
UTSA	2-1-0, 2	0-0-0
South Carolina	0-0-0	0-0-0
Texas A&M	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Alabama	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0	0-0-0
UConn	3-5-0, 4	0-0-0
Georgia	0-0-0	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-0-0	0-0-0
vs. Iowa	4-10-0, 5	0-0-0







**MILES  
KITSELMAN**  
TE • 6-5 • 256 • Sr.  
Lyndon, Kan.

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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Veteran SEC tight end who came to Tennessee after spending the 2022-23 seasons at Alabama
- Went through spring practice with UT and possesses outstanding blocking and pass catching ability
- Originally signed with Alabama after playing one season at Hutchinson (Kan.) Community College
- Played in 23 games at the FBS level with four starts (4/4 at UT) and owns six career catches for 72 yards and two touchdowns

**2024**

- Tennessee's starting tight end in all four games this season who leads the unit with two receiving TDs
- Made fourth-straight start at TE in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), seeing action on 58 snaps
- Started at TE and hauled in a touchdown for the second week in a row on a 15-yard strike from Gaston Moore in victory over Kent State (9/14)
- Was the highest graded tight end in the country for Week 2 (94.0) according to PFF College in the win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made second straight start at tight end and caught three passes for 39 yards vs. #24 NC State (9/7), including an 15-yard touchdown grab in the third quarter for his first trip to the end zone as a Vol
- Started at TE and played 26 offensive snaps in his Tennessee debut vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in marketing
- Enjoys fishing and is a scratch golfer
- Says his father has been his biggest influence
- Models his game after Rob Gronkowski
- Favorite movie is Step Brothers
- Favorite TV show is Breaking Bad
- Superstition before every game is eating a Snickers
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 83

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Receptions</b>	3 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Receiving Yards</b>	39 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Receiving Touchdowns</b>	1 (2x), last vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Long Reception</b>	16 vs. NC State, 9/7/24

**CAREER STATS**

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
*2022	6/0	2	18	9.0	3.0	0	13-UST	18-UST
*2023	13/0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	--	--
2024	4/4	4	54	13.5	13.5	2	16-NCST	39-NCST
at ALA	19/0	2	18	9.0	0.9	0	13-UST	18-UST
at UT	4/4	4	54	13.5	13.5	2	16-NCST	39-NCST
<b>Career</b>	<b>23/4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>16-NCST</b>	<b>39-NCST</b>

\* at Alabama

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*Chattanooga	0-0-0
*vs. NC State	3-39-1, 16
*Kent State	1-15-1, 15
*at Oklahoma	0-0-0

2023 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
MTSU	0-0-0
Texas	0-0-0
at USF	0-0-0
Ole Miss	0-0-0
at Mississippi St.	0-0-0
at Texas A&M	0-0-0
Arkansas	0-0-0
Tennessee	0-0-0
LSU	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0
Chattanooga	DNP

at Auburn	0-0-0
vs. Georgia	0-0-0
vs. Michigan	0-0-0

2022 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Utah State	2-18-0, 13
at Texas	0-0-0
ULM	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-0-0
at Arkansas	DNP
Texas A&M	DNP
at Tennessee	DNP
Mississippi State	DNP
at LSU	DNP
at Ole Miss	DNP
Austin Peay	0-0-0
Auburn	DNP
vs. Kansas State	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



**JACKSON  
LAMPLEY**  
OL • 6-4 • 325 • R-Sr.  
Nashville, Tenn.



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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2021 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2020 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2019-20 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- A constant contributor on the interior offensive line who continued a family legacy of Tennessee Vols
- In his sixth and final season with the program
- Four-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll who graduated in December 2023
- Sees time at guard and on field goal and PAT units
- According to PFF College, has allowed only one sack in his career on 504 offensive snaps
- Played in 43 career games with two starts

**2024**

- Saw action on 33 offensive snaps in a dominant win over Kent State (9/14), helping the Vols pile up 71 points and 740 yards of total offense - both setting school records
- Played 11 snaps at RG vs. #24 NC State (9/7) and did not allow a sack or pressure
- Made his 40th career appearance, saw action on 44 offensive snaps vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and did not allow a pressure as the Vols racked up 718 yards of total offense in their season opener

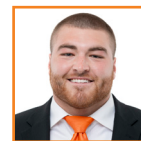
**NOTABLE**

- Earned his bachelor's degree in management from the Haslam College of Business in December 2023
- Currently working on a master's degree in recreation and sport management
- Father, Brad, played offensive line for the Vols during the Peyton Manning era and was a three-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll
- Wore the No. 50 his first four years at UT in honor of his grandfather, Dennis, who is a member of the Kentucky Sports Hall of Fame
- Dennis coached for 47 years at Trinity High School in Louisville and still holds the Kentucky state record for consecutive wins with 50
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**CAREER STATS**

**Games Played/Started:** 2024: 4/0; 2023: 13/2; 2022: 12/0; 2021: 12/0; 2020: 0/0; 2019: 2/0

**Career: 43/2**



**COOPER  
MAYS**  
OL • 6-4 • 310 • Sr.  
Kingston, Tenn.



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**CAREER HONORS**

- SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (vs. NC State, 9/9)
- 2024 Rimington Trophy Watch List
- 2024 Outland Trophy Watch List
- 2024 Preseason All-American First Team (Walter Camp)
- 2024 Preseason All-American Second Team (AP, ESPN, Phil Steele)
- 2024 Preseason All-SEC First Team (Coaches, Media)
- 2024 Preseason All-SEC Second Team (Athlon, Phil Steele)
- 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- 2025 Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 All-SEC Second Team (AP, Phil Steele)
- 2022 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (vs. Missouri, 11/12/22)
- 2021 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Local All-SEC performer and preseason All-American who serves as Tennessee's starting center and continues a family legacy of Vols
- In his fifth and final year with the program and serves as the Vols' starting center for the fourth consecutive season
- A Rimington Trophy candidate who is one of the nation's smartest and most consistent centers
- Leader of an offensive line that was a semifinalist for the Joe Moore Award in 2022 and 2023
- Lined up alongside his brother, Cade, on the offensive line for two seasons, while his father, Kevin, was an All-SEC guard in the 90s
- A three-time SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient, member of the team's leadership council and a leader on and off the field
- Wears the SEC graduate patch this season after earning his degree in May 2024
- Seen action on 2,306 career offensive snaps, allowing only four sacks
- Played in 44 games with 36 starts, all at center

**2024**

- Has not allowed a sack in 18 straight appearances, a streak that dates back to the 2022 season
- Played all 73 snaps at center in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21) and did not allow a pressure for the third time this season
- Started at center vs. Kent State (9/14) and did not allow a pressure in 39 offensive snaps as Tennessee set modern-era school records for points (71) and total offense (740)
- In his 11th consecutive game starting at center, saw action on 63 snaps and did not allow a sack vs. #24 NC State (9/7) — paving the way for 249 rushing yards and 460 yards of total offense ... Was named SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week for the second time in his career for his efforts
- Started the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and played 54 snaps at center without allowing a pressure, helping the Vols compile 718 total yards of offense, which was tied for the second most in program history

**NOTABLE**

- Earned his undergraduate degree in sport management in May 2024
- Played alongside his brother, Cade, for two seasons from 2020-21, before Cade was drafted by the Carolina Panthers in the sixth round (pick 199) of the 2022 NFL Draft
- Father, Kevin, lettered for the Vols from 1991-94 and was a team captain and All-SEC guard in 1994
- Started playing football in third grade
- An avid outdoorsman
- Dream vacation says is to Santorini, Greece



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**CAREER STATS**

**Games Played/Started:** 2024: 4/4; 2023: 9/9; 2022: 13/13; 2021: 8/8; 2020: 10/2  
**Career:** 44/36



**BRU McCoy**  
WR • 6-3 • 230 • R-Sr.  
Rolling Hills Estates, Calif.



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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 Witten Award Watch List
- 2024 Wuerffel Trophy Watch List
- 2024 AFCA Good Works Team Nominee
- 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- 2025 Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List

**CAREER**

- A physical, big-target wide receiver who transferred from Southern Cal to Tennessee and made an immediate impact in the Vols' record-setting offense
- In his third season with the Vols and sixth at the collegiate level
- Returned from a fracture-dislocation of his right ankle that he sustained on Sept. 30, 2023
- Member of the team's leadership council, a team captain and a leader in the community
- Continued the pipeline of transfers from USC to Tennessee which included his former teammates Velus Jones Jr. and Chase McGrath
- Originally enrolled at Southern Cal before spending the spring of 2018 at Texas and then returning to USC for three seasons
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2022
- Entered the collegiate ranks after a five-star, All-American prep career at powerhouse Mater Dei in California
- For his career, logged 102 catches for 1,320 yards and seven touchdowns
- Caught 21 passes for 236 yards and two touchdowns in six games played at USC
- At UT, hauled in 81 catches for 1,084 yards and five TDs
- Owns three 100-yard receiving games, all as a Vol
- Has played in 27 career games (6 at USC, 21 at UT) with 24 starts (3 at USC, 21 at UT)

**2024**

- Enters this week's game with at least one catch in 27 consecutive games played, dating back to his collegiate debut for Southern Cal in 2020
- Logged a season-high 92 receiving yards on four catches in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), including a diving 42-yard grab in the third quarter
- Started and pulled in one reception each in victories over Kent State (9/14) and NC State (9/7)
- Made triumphant return to Neyland Stadium with a team-high six receptions for 89 yards in the season opening win over Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Earned his undergraduate degree in communication studies in August 2024
- His father, Horace McCoy II, was a tight end at Northern Illinois (1994) and his mother, Shelby, was a record-setting four-time (1991-94) All-Conference setter for Northern Illinois volleyball
- Is helping to make sudden cardiac arrest prevention, awareness and treatment a priority this season as he co-created Huddle For Hearts. Through Huddle For Hearts, his work provides AEDs (Automated External Defibrillators) to youth sports organizations – focusing primarily on underserved communities
- Held a CPR training and demo seminar in the Knoxville community and also donated two AED machines to inner-city youth
- Hosted a charity golf tournament in Knoxville in July 2024 to benefit Huddle For Hearts

- Has an NIL deal in place this season where for every touchdown he catches, an AED will be donated to the community
- Was USC teammates with VFL and Chicago Bears WR Velus Jones Jr. and former UT placekicker Chase McGrath
- For 2024, made the switch to No. 5, which was his high school number and the number of Reggie Bush, who was one of his favorite players
- Dedicated his 2024 season to his late grandfather, Tom Snyder, who passed away on Dec. 1, 2023
- His grandfather was a former Pepperdine Hall of Fame baseball player
- Is this season's "cookie monster," continuing an NIL tradition established by VFL and current New Orleans Saint Alontae Taylor that grants fans in Knoxville two cookies from Moonshine Mountain Cookies if he catches one TD pass in a game
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Receptions</b>	9 vs. Missouri, 11/12/22
<b>Receiving Yards</b>	140 at LSU, 10/8/22
<b>Receiving TDs</b>	1 (7x), last at Florida, 9/16/23
<b>Long Reception</b>	70 vs. Florida, 9/24/22
<b>Rushing Attempts</b>	1 (3x), last vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Rushing Yards</b>	9 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Long Rush</b>	9 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

**CAREER STATS**

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
*2019								DNP - Redshirted
*2020	6/3	21	236	11.2	39.3	2	28-ORE	76-ORE
*2021								DNP
2022	12/12	52	667	12.8	55.6	4	70-UF	140-LSU
2023	5/5	17	217	12.8	43.4	1	55-UF	94-UF
2024	4/4	12	200	16.7	50.0	0	42-OU	92-OU
<b>at USC</b>	<b>6/3</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>11.2</b>	<b>39.3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>28-ORE</b>	<b>76-ORE</b>
<b>at UT</b>	<b>21/21</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>1084</b>	<b>13.4</b>	<b>51.6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>70-UF</b>	<b>140-LSU</b>
<b>Career</b>	<b>26/23</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>1320</b>	<b>12.9</b>	<b>50.8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>70-UF</b>	<b>140-LSU</b>

\* - at Southern Cal

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg
*Chattanooga	6-89-0, 37	1-9-0, 9
*vs. NC State	1-10-0, 10	0-0-0
*Kent State	1-9-0, 9	0-0-0
*at Oklahoma	4-92-0, 42	0-0-0

2023 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg
*vs. Virginia	2-21-0, 14	0-0-0
*Austin Peay	5-51-0, 20	0-0-0
*at Florida	5-94-1, 55	1-2-0, 2
*UTSA	3-30-0, 13	0-0-0
*South Carolina	2-21-0, 17	0-0-0

Missed remainder of season due to injury

2022 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg
*Ball State	3-42-0, 20	0-0-0
*at Pitt	4-58-1, 32	0-0-0
*Akron	1-9-0, 9	0-0-0
*Florida	5-102-1, 70	0-0-0
*at LSU	7-140-0, 48	1-3-0, 3
*Alabama	2-38-0, 27	0-0-0
*UT Martin	2-8-0, 5	0-0-0
*Kentucky	6-54-0, 16	0-0-0
*at Georgia	6-38-0, 11	0-0-0
*Missouri	9-111-0, 38	0-0-0
*at South Carolina	3-19-1, 8	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	DNP	
*vs. Clemson	4-48-1, 16	0-0-0

2020 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg
Arizona State	5-51-1, 26	0-0-0
at Arizona	3-25-0, 11	0-0-0
at Utah	5-66-0, 23	0-0-0
*Washington State	1-8-0, 8	0-0-0
at UCLA	1-10-0, 10	0-0-0
*Oregon	6-76-1, 28	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



**JERMODY McCoy**  
DB • 6-0 • 193 • So.  
Whitehouse, Texas

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**CAREER HONORS**

- Thorpe Award National Defensive Back of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/21/24)

**CAREER**

- Athletic, ball-hawking transfer cornerback who owns three years of remaining eligibility
- Played his true freshman season at Oregon State before entering the portal and has already made a significant impact in the Tennessee secondary
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2024 and went through spring practice
- Rated the No. 9 transfer cornerback and No. 82 overall transfer prospect according to 247Sports for the 2023 cycle
- Played in 16 career games (12 at OSU, 4 at UT) with nine starts (5 at OSU, 4 at UT)

**2024**

- Started all four games at corner this season and leads the Vols with four passes defended
- According to PFF, his 89.7 coverage grade ranks second in the country among cornerbacks who have played at least 100 defensive snaps
- Earned National DB of the Week honors from the Jim Thorpe Award after a sensational performance at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), registering three tackles, one PBU and his first interception as a Vol that he returned 17 yards
- Logged 48 snaps against the Sooners and did not allow a completion, recording a 0.0 passer grade
- Started at corner, logged a PBU and returned a punt 23 yards in shutout victory over Kent State (9/14)
- Posted three solo tackles in his second consecutive start at corner in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Started in his UT debut at CB, posted two tackles and had one pass breakup in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sport management
- His cousin, Travis Gibson, plays for the Jacksonville Jaguars
- Models his game after Jalen Ramsey
- Favorite movie is Friday
- Favorite sport other than football is baseball
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	6 (2x), last at Arizona, 10/28/23*
<b>Tackles For Loss</b>	0.5 at California, 10/7/23*
<b>Interceptions</b>	1 (3x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Passes Defended</b>	2 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	1 at Washington State, 9/23/23*
<b>Punt Returns</b>	1 (2x), last vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Punt Return Yards</b>	23 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Long Punt Return</b>	23 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

\* - at Oregon State

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PD	High Tk
*2023	12/5	16	15	31	0-0	0.5-1	0	1	2	9	6-2x
2024	4/4	7	1	8	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	4	3-2x
<b>at OSU</b>	<b>12/5</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0.5-1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6-2x</b>
<b>at UT</b>	<b>4/4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3-2x</b>
<b>Career</b>	<b>16/9</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0.5-1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6-2x</b>

\* - at Oregon State

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	1-1-2, 1 pd
*vs. NC State	3-0-3
*Kent State	0-0-0, 1 pd (23-yd punt ret.)
*at Oklahoma	3-0-3, 1 int, 2 pd



2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
at San Jose State	0-1-1, 1 pd
UC Davis	1-1-2, 1 pd
San Diego State	3-0-3
at Washington State	2-3-5, 1 qbh
Utah	0-0-0
*at California	2-4-6, 1 pd, 1 int, 0.5 tfl
UCLA	0-0-0, 1 pd
*at Arizona	1-5-6
at Colorado	0-0-0, 1 pd
*Stanford	0-0-0, 2 pd, 1 int
*Washington	3-1-4, 1 pd
*at Oregon	4-0-4, 1 pd
vs. Notre Dame	DNP

\* - denotes started



**JALEN McMURRAY**  
DB • 6-0 • 187 • R-Jr.  
Upper Marlboro, Md.

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**CAREER**

- Talented transfer cornerback who comes to UT from Temple
- Played three seasons for the Owls, appearing in 27 games with 23 starts and was a captain
- Owns two years of remaining eligibility, including the 2024 season
- Logged 93 tackles—59 solo— with 2.5 tackles for loss, one interception, 12 pass breakups, two forced fumbles and one fumble recovery during his career
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2024 and went through spring practice
- Played in 31 career games (27 at TU, 4 at UT) with 24 starts (23 at TU, 1 at UT)

**2024**

- Logged one solo tackle and a PBU in his 30th career appearance in shutout win over Kent State (9/14)
- Played 18 defensive snaps in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7) and had one assisted tackle
- Earned the start at CB in his Tennessee debut in season-opening victory vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and finished the game with one solo tackle

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sport management
  - Models his game after Jaire Alexander
  - Favorite food is fried rice
  - Favorite movie is Avengers: Infinity War
  - Favorite musical artist is J. Cole
  - X: @Jalen\_McMurray | IG: @jalen.mcmurray
- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 94

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	7 (3x), last at UAB, 11/18/23*
<b>Tackles For Loss</b>	1.0 (2x), last at USF, 11/11/23*
<b>Interceptions</b>	1 vs. Tulsa, 10/21/22*
<b>Passes Defended</b>	3 at Memphis, 10/1/22*
<b>Forced Fumbles</b>	1 (2x), last vs. USF, 11/5/22*
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	1 vs. USF, 11/5/22*

\* - at Temple

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PD	High Tk
*2021	4/0	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-WAG
*2022	12/12	33	16	49	0-0	1-4	2	1	1	8	7-2x
*2023	11/11	24	15	39	0-0	1.5-7	0	0	0	4	7-UAB
2024	3/1	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	1-3x
<b>at TEM</b>	<b>27/23</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>2.5-11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>7-3x</b>
<b>at UT</b>	<b>4/1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1-3x</b>
<b>Career</b>	<b>31/24</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>2.5-11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>7-3x</b>

\* - at Temple

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	1-0-1
vs. NC State	0-1-1
Kent State	1-0-1, 1 pd
at Oklahoma	0-0-0

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Akron	3-1-4
*at Rutgers	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl, 2 pd
*Norfolk State	2-2-4
Miami	DNP
*at Tulsa	3-1-4
*UTSA	2-1-3
*at North Texas	3-1-4, 1 pd
*SMU	2-2-4
*Navy	1-0-1
*at USF	1-1-2, 1.0 tfl
*at UAB	5-2-7
*Memphis	2-2-4, 1 pd

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*at Duke	4-3-7
*Lafayette	2-0-2, 1 pd
*Rutgers	3-4-7, 1 pd, 1 ff
*Massachusetts	3-0-3, 1 pd
*at Memphis	2-1-3, 3 pd
*at UCF	0-2-2
*Tulsa	4-2-6, 1 int
*at Navy	2-1-3
*USF	3-1-4, 1.0 tfl, 1 ff, 1 fr
*at Houston	5-0-5
*Cincinnati	4-1-5, 1 pd
*East Carolina	1-1-2

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
at Rutgers	0-0-0
at Akron	0-0-0
Wagner	2-0-2
at Tulsa	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



**JAKE MERKLINGER**  
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Savannah, Ga.

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**2024**

- Saw action in blowout win vs. Kent State (9/14) and completed two passes for 17 yards while adding 21 rushing yards on four carries
- Made his Tennessee debut on his 19th birthday and completed four-straight passes for 31 yards in the fourth quarter of UT's season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**HIGH SCHOOL**

- An experienced and athletic signal caller who was considered a consensus four-star recruit and one of the nation's top quarterback prospects
- A four-year starter at Calvary Day School who finished his prep career with an impressive 42-10 record and 145 total touchdowns (113 passing, 32 rushing)
- Finished his senior season with 3,028 passing yards, 38 touchdown passes and just two interceptions to go along with 450 rushing yards and 12 touchdowns on the ground
- Multi-sport standout who also starred for the Calvary Day basketball and lacrosse teams
- Committed to the Vols in March 2023 and chose the Vols over 27 other Division I offers
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2024 and went through Citrus Bowl practices and spring practice

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sport management
  - Has one brother, Ryan, who played college football at Western Illinois and Valparaiso
  - Favorite hobbies include playing golf, boating and chess
  - Aspires to be an athletics director
  - Favorite musical artist is Chris Stapleton
  - Favorite TV show is Outer Banks
  - X: @JakeMerklinger | IG: @jakemerklinger
- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 95

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Completions</b>	4 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Attempts</b>	5 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Passing Yards</b>	31 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Long Pass</b>	13 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Rushes</b>	4 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Rushing Yards</b>	21 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Long Rush</b>	24 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

**CAREER STATS**

Passing	GP/GS	Com	Att	Pct	TD	Int	Yds	Per/G	Long	High Yd
2024	2/0	6	6	66.7	0	0	48	24.0	13	31-UTC
<b>Career</b>	<b>2/0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>66.7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>31-UTC</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
Chattanooga	4	4	0	0	100.0	31	13	3	1	0	3
vs. NC State											DNP
Kent State	2	5	0	0	40.0	17	9	4	21	0	24
at Oklahoma											DNP



**JAXSON MOI**  
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Oceanside, Calif.

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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 Polynesian College Football Player of the Year Award Watch List

**CAREER**

- Strong, experienced interior defensive lineman who transferred from Stanford to Tennessee
- Owns two seasons of eligibility remaining, including the 2024 season
- In two seasons with the Cardinal, played in 24 games with eight starts at defensive tackle
- Recorded 37 total tackles, 5.5 tackles for loss, one sack and three PBUs in his two seasons at Stanford
- Posted five tackles, 2.5 TFLs and a sack in his four games played at Tennessee
- Played in 28 career games (24 at Stanford, 4 at UT) with eight starts (all at Stanford)

**2024**

- Led the team with two TFLs in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), including his first sack as a Vol for a loss of 7 yards as part of a dominant defensive showing by UT
- Logged three assisted tackles, including a half TFL, in UT's dominant defensive performance vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made his Tennessee debut on the defensive line in season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and saw action on 16 defensive snaps

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
  - Father, Junior, played football at Southern Cal
  - Family is of Samoan, Irish and Armenian descent
  - Models his game after Aaron Donald
  - Favorite food is sushi
  - Grew up playing baseball
  - X: @JaxsonMoi | IG: @Jaxson\_King
- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 96

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	4 (2x), last at California, 11/19/22*
<b>Tackles For Loss</b>	2.0 (2x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Sacks</b>	1.0 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Passes Defended</b>	1 (3x), last vs. Notre Dame, 11/25/23*

\* - at Stanford

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
*2022	12/1	8	14	22	0.5-0.45-10	0	0	1	2	2	4-2x
*2023	12/7	3	12	15	0.5-4	1-5	0	0	2	1	3-2x
2024	4/0	2	3	5	1-7	2.5-12	0	0	0	0	3-NCST
<b>at STAN</b>	<b>24/8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>1-4</b>	<b>5.5-15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4-3x</b>
<b>at UT</b>	<b>4/0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1-7</b>	<b>2.5-12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3-NCST</b>
<b>Career</b>	<b>28/8</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>2-11</b>	<b>8-27</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4-3x</b>

\* - at Stanford



**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-0-0
vs. NC State	0-3-3, 0.5 tfl
Kent State	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	2-0-2, 2 tfl, 1 s

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
at Hawaii	1-0-1
at Southern Cal	1-0-1
*Sacramento State	0-1-1
Arizona	0-1-1, 1 qbh
Oregon	1-1-2
at Colorado	0-0-0
*UCLA	0-0-0
*Washington	0-0-0
*at Washington State	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s, 1 qbh
*at Oregon State	0-3-3, 0.5 tfl
*California	0-3-3
*Notre Dame	0-1-1, 1 pd

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Colgate	0-0-0, 1 qbh
Southern Cal	0-2-2
at Washington	1-1-2
at Oregon	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s
*Oregon State	0-0-0
at Notre Dame	2-2-4, 1 pd
Arizona State	0-3-3, 1.0 tfl, 1 pd
at UCLA	1-0-1
Washington State	1-2-3, 1.0 tfl
at Utah	0-0-0
at California	3-1-4, 2.0 tfl
BYU	0-2-2

\* - denotes started



**GASTON MOORE**

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Hilton Head, S.C.



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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2022 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Smart transfer backup quarterback from UCF that brings experience and knowledge of the Josh Heupel system
- Served as UT's third string quarterback in 2022 and 2023 and is the backup this year
- In his fifth collegiate season and fourth with the Vols
- Two-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll who graduated from Tennessee in May 2024
- Played in 11 career games

**2024**

- Completed 4-of-4 passes for 94 yards, recorded the first two passing TDs of his career and logged a 15-yard rush in the win over Kent State (9/14)
- Made his 10th career appearance in Week 2 victory vs. #24 NC State (9/7), did not record any stats
- Completed 7-of-12 passes for 69 yards with one INT in the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Earned his undergraduate degree in supply chain management from Tennessee in May 2024
  - One of several avid golfers on the team
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 96

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Completions</b>	7 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Attempts</b>	12 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Passing Yards</b>	94 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Passing Touchdowns</b>	2 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Long Pass</b>	53 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Interceptions</b>	1 (2x), last vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Rushes</b>	2 vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
<b>Rushing Yards</b>	15 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Long Rush</b>	15 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

**CAREER STATS**

Passing GP/GS	Comp	Att	Pct	TD	Int	Yds	Per/G	Long	High Yd
2020*	DNP - Redshirted								
2021	1/0	2	2	100	0	0	6.0	3-USA	6-USA
2022	3/0	4	5	80.0	0	1	30	10.0	17-BSU 17-BSU
2023	4/0	4	10	40.0	0	0	36	9.0	19-CON 36-CON
2024	3/0	11	16	68.8	2	1	163	54.3	53-KSU 94-KSU
<b>Career</b>	<b>11/0</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>63.6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>21.4</b>	<b>53-KSU 94-KSU</b>

\* at UCF

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
Chattanooga	7	12	0	1	58.3	69	13	0	0	0	0
vs. NC State	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kent State	4	4	2	0	100.0	94	53	1	15	0	15
at Oklahoma	DNP										

2023 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
vs. Virginia	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
UConn	4	7	0	0	57.1	36	19	1	-3	0	-3
Vanderbilt	0	2	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Iowa	0	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	2	7	0	4

2022 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
Ball State	1	1	0	0	100	17	17	0	0	0	0
UT Martin	2	3	0	1	66.7	9	5	0	0	0	0
at Vanderbilt	1	1	0	0	100	4	4	0	0	0	0

2021 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
So. Alabama	2	2	0	0	100	6	3	0	0	0	0



**CHAS NIMROD**

**WR • 6-3 • 202 • R-So.**  
Bentonville, Ark.

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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2022 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Speedy receiver in his third year with the program
- Saw action on special teams early in his career before developing into a consistent contributor in the rotation at receiver
- Redshirted in 2022 and has three years of eligibility remaining, including the 2024 campaign
- Played in 19 career games with six starts and owns 22 catches for 235 yards with one touchdown

**2024**

- Started in Week 3 win vs. Kent State (9/14) and pulled in two catches for 34 yards
- Played 16 offensive snaps in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and hauled in one reception for seven yards

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in hospitality and tourism management
  - A consensus top-10 player in the state of Arkansas by all major recruiting services out of high school
  - Also ran track in high school and helped set a school record in the 4x100-meter relay
  - X: @NimrodChas | IG: @chasnimrod
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Receptions</b>	5 vs. Georgia, 11/18/23
<b>Receiving Yards</b>	44 vs. Georgia, 11/18/23
<b>Receiving Touchdowns</b>	1 at Kentucky, 10/28/23
<b>Long Reception</b>	39 at Kentucky, 10/28/23

**CAREER STATS**

Receiving GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2022	2/0	0	0	0.0	0	--	--
2023	13/5	19	14.4	10.2	1	39-UK	44-UGA
2024	4/1	3	4.1	13.7	0	27-KSU	34-KSU
<b>Career</b>	<b>19/6</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23.5</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>39-UK</b>	<b>44-UGA</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	1-7-0, 7	0-0-0
vs. NC State	0-0-0	0-0-0
*Kent State	2-34-0, 27	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	0-0-0	0-0-0

2023 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Virginia	0-0-0	0-0-0
Austin Peay	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Florida	0-0-0	0-0-0
UTSA	0-0-0	0-0-0
South Carolina	1-10-0, 10	0-0-0
*Texas A&M	4-31-0, 11	0-0-0
*at Alabama	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Kentucky	1-39-1, 39	0-0-0
UConn	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Missouri	2-17-0, 14	0-0-0
*Georgia	5-44-0, 21	0-0-0
*Vanderbilt	4-37-0, 16	0-0-0
*vs. Iowa	2-16-0, 9	0-0-0

2022 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg
UT Martin	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



**OMARR NORMAN-LOTT**

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North Highlands, Calif.

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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- 2024 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Phil Steele)

**CAREER**

- Stout defensive tackle who transferred to Tennessee from Arizona State prior to the 2023 spring semester
- Became a critical part of Tennessee's defensive interior and with two springs and a season under his belt, is a major contributor in 2024
- Played three seasons at Arizona State, seeing action in 21 games with three starts and totaling 45 tackles
- Totaled 26 tackles, six TFLs and one fumble recovery in his first season with the Vols in 2023
- Played in 35 career games (21 at ASU, 14 at UT) with five starts (3 at ASU, 2 at UT)

**2024**

- Posted one solo tackle in victorious SEC opener at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Logged a pair of tackles in UT's dominant defensive effort vs. #24 NC State (9/7), including a solo sack for a loss of seven yards in the first quarter
- Played 14 defensive snaps and logged three assisted tackles in UT's season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	8 vs. Wisconsin, 12/30/21*
<b>Tackles for Loss</b>	2.0 at Missouri, 11/11/23
<b>Sacks</b>	2.0 at Missouri, 11/11/23
<b>Passes Defended</b>	1 (2x), last vs. Oregon State, 11/19/22*
<b>QB Hurries</b>	2 at Oklahoma State, 9/10/22*
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	1 at Alabama, 10/21/23

\* at Arizona State

**CAREER STATS**

Defense GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2020*	1/0	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1-USC
2021*	11/1	16	14	30	2-12	4-21	0	0	0	8-WIS
2022*	9/2	8	6	14	2-12	3-13	0	0	2	2 4-OSU
2023	10/2	15	11	26	5.5-33	6-33	0	1	1	0 5-UGA
2024	4/0	2	4	6	1-7	1-7	0	0	1	0 3-UTC
at ASU	21/3	24	21	45	4-24	7-34	0	0	2	2 8-WIS
at UT	14/2	17	15	32	6.5-40	7-40	0	1	2	0 5-UGA
<b>Career</b>	<b>35/5</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>10.5-64</b>	<b>14-75</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2 8-WIS</b>

\* at Arizona State

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-3-3
vs. NC State	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 s



Kent State	0-0-0, 1 qbh
at Oklahoma	1-0-1

<b>2023 Opp.</b>	<b>U-A-T, Other</b>
vs. Virginia	2-2-4
*Austin Peay	1-2-3
*at Florida	3-0-3
UTSA	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s
South Carolina	2-2-4, 0.5 s, 0.5 tfl
Texas A&M	DNP - Injury
at Alabama	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 fr
at Kentucky	1-1-2, 1.5 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh
UConn	0-0-0
at Missouri	3-0-3, 2 tfl, 2 s
Georgia	1-4-5
Vanderbilt	DNP - Injury
vs. Iowa	DNP - Injury

<b>2022 Opp.</b>	<b>U-A-T, Other</b>
*Northern Arizona	0-1-1, 1 pd
*at Oklahoma State	2-2-4, 2 qbh
Eastern Michigan	0-0-0
at Stanford	1-0-1
at Colorado	3-0-3, 1.0 tfl
UCLA	0-1-1
at Washington State	0-2-2, 1.0 tfl, 1.0 s
Oregon State	2-0-2, 1.0 tfl, 1.0 s, 1 pd
at Arizona	0-0-0

<b>2021 Opp.</b>	<b>U-A-T, Other</b>
Southern Utah	2-0-2
at BYU	3-1-4, 1.0 tfl, 1.0 s
Colorado	1-1-2,
at UCLA	2-3-5, 0.5 tfl
Stanford	2-1-3, 1.5 tfl, 1.0 s
at Utah	1-1-2
Washington State	0-0-0
Southern Cal	1-0-1
*at Washington	1-1-2
at Oregon State	0-1-1
vs. Wisconsin	3-5-8, 1.0 tfl

<b>2020 Opp.</b>	<b>U-A-T, Other</b>
at Southern Cal	0-1-1

\* - denotes started



**JAMES PEARCE JR.**  
DL • 6-5 • 243 • Jr.  
Charlotte, N.C.

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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 Bednarik Award Watch List
- 2024 Walter Camp Player of the Year Watch List
- 2024 Nagurski Trophy Watch List
- 2024 Lombardi Award Watch List
- 2024 Lott Trophy Watch List
- 2024 Preseason All-American First Team (AP, The Athletic, Athlon, ESPN, Phil Steele, Walter Camp)
- 2024 Preseason All-SEC First Team (Athlon, Coaches, Media, Phil Steele)
- 2024 ESPN.com College Football Top 100 Player (No. 1)
- 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- 2023 All-SEC First Team (AP, Coaches)
- SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week (vs. Texas A&M, 10/14/23; vs. South Carolina, 10/2/23)

**CAREER**

- The top returning edge rusher in the SEC and one of the best defenders in the nation who is in his third season with the program
- Long, athletic with freakish explosiveness and instincts
- Considered the No. 1 player in the country entering the 2024 season by On3 and ESPN
- Projected as a future top 10 NFL Draft pick
- Coming off a sophomore season in which he got stronger as the season went on and dominated in the 2024 Citrus Bowl
- Has two seasons of remaining eligibility, including 2024

- Owns 36 tackles (22 solo), 17.5 tackles for a loss of 97 yards, 12.5 sacks for a loss of 83 yards, 22 QB hurries, one interception for a touchdown, two pass breakups and two forced fumbles
- According to PFF, has generated 70 QB pressures in three seasons
- Is the SEC's returning statistical leader in both tackles for loss and sacks
- Played in 30 career games with seven starts

**2024**

- Posted two total tackles, including a half-sack for a loss of eight yards in the win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Led the Vols with three QB hurries in a dominant 71-0 victory over Kent State (9/14)
- Earned the start at SAM linebacker and posted a half-tackle for loss in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7) along with two quarterback hurries
- Started at LEO in the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and played 10 defensive snaps

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sociology
- Arrived on Rocky Top as a five-star recruit out of Charlotte in June 2022
- Helped lead his high school to four-straight state championship games, including back-to-back titles in 2019 and 2020
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Pages 101-102

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	4 vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
<b>Tackles for Loss</b>	2.0 (4x), last vs. Texas A&M, 10/14/23
<b>Sacks</b>	2.0 (2x), last vs. South Carolina, 9/30/23
<b>QB Hurries</b>	5 vs. Texas A&M, 10/14/23
<b>Forced Fumbles</b>	1 (2x), last vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
<b>Interceptions</b>	1 vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
<b>Passes Defended</b>	1 (2x), last vs. Iowa, 1/1/24

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2022	13/0	3	2	5	2-16	2-16	0	0	1	0	2-AKR
2023	13/3	18	10	28	10-59	14.5-71	2	0	16	2	4-IOWA
2024	4/4	1	2	3	0.5-8	1.0-10	0	0	5	0	2-OU
<b>Career</b>	<b>30/7</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>12.5-83</b>	<b>17.5-97</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4-IOWA</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

<b>2024 Opp.</b>	<b>U-A-T, Other</b>
*Chattanooga	0-0-0
*vs. NC State	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 2 qbh
*Kent State	0-0-0, 3 qbh
*at Oklahoma	1-1-2, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s

<b>2023 Opp.</b>	<b>U-A-T, Other</b>
vs. Virginia	2-1-3, 2 tfl, 2 s, 2 qbh
Austin Peay	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh
at Florida	3-0-3, 2 tfl
UTSA	0-0-0, 1 qbh
South Carolina	1-2-3, 2 tfl, 2 s, 2 qbh
Texas A&M	3-0-3, 2 tfl, 1 s, 5 qbh
at Alabama	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff
at Kentucky	0-1-1, 2 qbh, 1 pd
UConn	0-0-0
at Missouri	1-1-2, 1.5 tfl, 1 s
Georgia	1-2-3
*Vanderbilt	2-1-3, 1.5 tfl, 0.5 s, 2 qbh
*vs. Iowa	3-1-4, 1.5 tfl, 1.5 s, 1 ff, 1 int, 1 qbh

<b>2022 Opp.</b>	<b>U-A-T, Other</b>
Ball State	0-0-0
at Pitt	1-0-1
Akron	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 s
Florida	0-0-0
at LSU	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0
UT Martin	0-1-1, 1 qbh
Kentucky	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0
Missouri	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s
at South Carolina	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0
vs. Clemson	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



**KALIB PERRY**  
LB • 6-3 • 231 • Jr.  
Georgetown, Ky.

**CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Bright, instinctive linebacker who continues to see his role grow year after year as a key member of the defensive unit
- One of UT's top special teams coverage contributors as well who has a knack for blocking punts
- Blocked two punts during his previous two seasons
- Originally enrolled at UT in June 2022
- Played in 28 career games and has registered 39 tackles, including 14 solo stops

**2024**

- Saw action on nine defensive snaps and made one assisted tackle in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Logged three assisted tackles as part of a dominant shutout win over Kent State (9/14)
- Saw action on 23 defensive snaps in season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in information sciences
- Favorite hobbies include building PCs, Lego, bible study, ultimate frisbee and Spikeball
- His father, LaBreece Perry, played in the Canadian Football League
- Two-time All-Pro, five-time Pro Bowler and 2019 NFL Defensive Player of the Year Stephon Gilmore is his second cousin
- Models his game after his father
- Favorite movies are Real Steel, Unbroken and Race
- Favorite TV show is Adventure Time
- Favorite musical artist is Kodak Black
- Favorite place to take a vacation is the Outer Banks in North Carolina
- Aspires to become a mechanical engineer
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 103

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	4 (3x), last vs. UConn, 11/4/23
<b>QB Hurries</b>	2 vs. Ball State, 9/1/22
<b>Blocked Punts</b>	1 (2x), last vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2022	12/0	7	7	14	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0	4-2x
2023	13/0	7	14	18	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	4-CONN
2024	3/0	0	4	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3-KSU
<b>Career</b>	<b>28/0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4-3x</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

<b>2024 Opp.</b>	<b>U-A-T, Other</b>
Chattanooga	0-0-0
vs. NC State	DNP - Illness
Kent State	0-3-3
at Oklahoma	0-1-1

<b>2023 Opp.</b>	<b>U-A-T, Other</b>
vs. Virginia	2-0-2
Austin Peay	0-2-2
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	0-2-2
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	0-0-0
at Alabama	0-1-1
at Kentucky	1-1-2
UConn	1-3-4
at Missouri	0-1-1
Georgia	1-2-3
Vanderbilt	1-2-3, 1 blk
vs. Iowa	1-0-1

<b>2022 Opp.</b>	<b>U-A-T, Other</b>
Ball State	0-0-0, 2 qbh
at Pitt	0-0-0



Akron	2-0-2
Florida	0-0-0
at LSU	0-0-0
Alabama	0-1-1
UT Martin	2-2-4
Kentucky	1-3-4, 1 blk
at Georgia	0-0-0
Missouri	0-0-0
at South Carolina	2-0-2
at Vanderbilt	0-1-1
vs. Clemson	DNP



**KEENAN PILI**

LB • 6-3 • 240 • R-Sr.  
Las Vegas, Nev.



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Name pronounced KEE-nan PEE-lee

**CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 NFF Campbell Trophy Semifinalist
- 2024 Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)
- 2024 Polynesian College Football Player of the Year Award Watch List
- 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- 2025 Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List
- 2024 NFF Hampshire Honor Society
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2020 Phil Steele All-Independent Team (2nd Team)

**CAREER**

- Outstanding graduate transfer linebacker who is poised for a big year as a captain in the middle
- Showed his leadership and instincts when he arrived in the spring of 2023 and that continued into the fall
- Suffered a season-ending triceps injury in his first game as a Vol in 2023 and missed the remainder of the year
- Applied for an extension of eligibility waiver for a seventh season, which was granted prior to the 2024 Citrus Bowl
- Played at BYU from 2019-22 where he was a defensive leader and a team captain
- Originally signed with the Cougars as a member of the Class of 2016 as one of the top prep players in Utah
- Graduated from BYU in December 2022 and received his master's degree from Tennessee in May 2024
- Gathered 208 total tackles - 104 solo - with 12.5 tackles for loss, three sacks, one forced fumble, two fumble recoveries and four pass breakups during his entire collegiate career
- UT's defensive representative for the newly adopted in-helmet communications system this season
- Played in 41 career games (36 at BYU, 5 at UT) with 30 starts (25 at BYU, 5 at UT)

**2024**

- Made his 30th career start in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21) and totaled five tackles, one TFL and two QB hurries in his first SEC game to help lead a dominate defensive showing by the Vols
- Posted three total tackles in a dominant, 71-0 shutout win over Kent State (9/14)
- Started at LB and logged his 200th career tackle in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7), finishing the game with four total stops and a half TFL in the dominant defensive performance
- Made his long-awaited Neyland Stadium debut in the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and had two total tackles in his first home start for the Vols

**NOTABLE**

- Earned his degree in exercise science from BYU in December 2022
- Received his master's degree in agricultural leadership, education and communication from Tennessee in May 2024
- Served a full-time mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Orlando, Florida from 2017-19 and returned to the field in the fall of 2019
- Brother, Trajan, played defensive line at BYU (2013, 2016-19)

- Father's cousin, Ifo Pili, played defensive line at BYU (1997-98, 2001-03)
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Pages 104-105

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	17 vs. Arizona, 9/4/21
<b>Tackles for Loss</b>	2.0 at Arizona State, 9/18/21
<b>Sacks</b>	1.0 (3x), last at Boise State, 11/5/22
<b>Forced Fumbles</b>	1 at Boise State, 11/5/22
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	1 (2x), last vs. Arkansas, 10/15/22
<b>Passes Defended</b>	1 (4x), last vs. Utah Tech, 11/19/22
<b>QB Hurries</b>	2 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2016*					DNP	-	Redshirted				
2019*	11/2	17	8	25	1-8	1.5-9	0	0	0	2	5-MASS
2020*	10/8	35	37	72	0-0	2-6	0	1	1	1	9-5x
2021*	3/3	14	17	31	1-12	3.5-16	0	0	1	0	17-ARIZ
2022*	12/12	29	33	62	1-10	4-15	1	1	0	1	8-LIB
2023	1/1	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	4-UVA
2024	4/4	7	7	14	0-0	1.5-4	0	0	2	0	5-OU
<b>at BYU</b>	<b>36/25</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>3-30</b>	<b>11-46</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>17-ARIZ</b>	
<b>at UT</b>	<b>5/5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>1.5-4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5-OU</b>
<b>Career</b>	<b>41/30</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>3-30</b>	<b>12.5-50</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>17-ARIZ</b>

\* at BYU

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	1-1-2
*vs. NC State	1-3-4, 0.5 tfl
*Kent State	1-2-3
*at Oklahoma	4-1-5, 1 tfl, 2 qbh

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Virginia	2-2-4
Missed remainder of season due to injury	

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*at USF	0-3-3, 0.5 tfl
*Baylor	3-3-6, 1.5 tfl
*at Oregon	0-1-1
*Wyoming	2-3-5
*Utah State	1-5-6
*vs. Notre Dame	4-3-7
*Arkansas	3-2-5, 1 fr
*at Liberty	5-3-8
*East Carolina	1-3-4
*at Boise State	3-3-6, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff
*Utah Tech	5-2-7, 1 tfl, 1 pd
*at Stanford	2-2-4

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Arizona	10-7-17, 1 tfl, 1 s
*Utah	3-4-7, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s
*Arizona State	1-6-7, 2 tfl

2020 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*at Navy	2-2-4
*Troy	6-3-9
*Louisiana Tech	5-1-6, 1 tfl
*UTSA	2-3-5
*at Houston	5-3-8, 1 tfl
at Boise State	4-5-9
*North Alabama	0-4-4
at Coastal Carolina	6-3-9
*San Diego State	5-4-9, 0.5 tfl
*vs. UCF	2-7-9

2019 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Utah	4-0-4
at Tennessee	0-2-2
*Southern Cal	0-0-0
at Toledo	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl
at USF	1-1-2
Boise State	3-0-3
Liberty	4-0-4, 1 tfl, 1 s
Idaho State	1-0-1
at Massachusetts	3-2-5
at San Diego State	1-1-2
at Hawaii	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



**JACKSON ROSS**

P • 6-3 • 204 • R-So.  
Melbourne, Australia

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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 Ray Guy Award Preseason Watch List
- 2024 Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Phil Steele)
- 2023 SEC All-Freshman Team
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Ray Guy Award Final Candidate List
- Ray Guy Award College Punter of the Week Ray's 8 List (at Alabama, 10/21/23)
- 2022 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Talented ambidextrous punter out of Australia in his third year with the program and second as the starting punter and holder
- Enrolled at UT in the fall of 2022 and has three years of eligibility remaining, including the 2024 season
- The Tennessee single-game punting average record holder (53.2)
- The catalyst for a Tennessee punt unit that allowed only four return yards in 2023
- Two-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll
- Played in 17 career games and averages 42.9 yards per punt

**2024**

- Had a career day at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), booming eight punts for 387 yards (48.4 avg.) which included three kicks of 50+ yards and two downed inside the 20-yard line
- Did not punt for the first time in his career in blowout win vs. Kent State (9/14)
- Had a 43-yard punt downed inside the 20 in the win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Only punted once in season opening victory vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sport management
- Has the ability to kick with both feet
- Played tennis from the age of 4 to 17
- Avid coffee enthusiast
- Adopted a golden retriever named Maverick
- Loves watching any type of sports
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 107

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Punts</b>	8 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Punting Yards</b>	387 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Punting Average (min. 2)</b>	53.2 at Alabama, 10/21/23
<b>Longest Punt</b>	71 at Alabama, 10/21/23
<b>Punts Inside 20</b>	4 vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
<b>Punts 50+ Yards</b>	3 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24

**CAREER STATS**

Punting	GP	No	Yds	Avg	TB	FC	I20	50+	Blk	Long
2022										DNP - Redshirted
2023	13	55	2337	42.5	3	24	22	9	0	71-ALA
2024	4	10	453	45.3	1	2	3	3	0	57-OU
<b>Career</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>2790</b>	<b>42.9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>71-ALA</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Punting
Chattanooga	1-23-23.0, Lg 23
vs. NC State	1-43-43.0, Lg 43, 1 I20
Kent State	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	8-387-48.4, Lg 57, 2 I20, 3 50+

2023 Opp.	Punting
vs. Virginia	5-179-35.8, Lg 50, 1 50+
Austin Peay	4-172-43.0, Lg 49, 2 I20
at Florida	3-120-40.0, Lg 41, 2 I20
UTSA	6-266-44.3, Lg 52, 3 I20, 2 50+
South Carolina	3-147-49.0, Lg 54, 1 I20, 2 50+
Texas A&M	3-120-40.0, Lg 49, 2 I20
at Alabama	5-266-53.2, Lg 71, 2 I20, 2 50+
at Kentucky	2-79-39.5, Lg 43
UConn	2-83-41.5, Lg 42, 2 I20

at Missouri	6-262-43.7, Lg 54, 3 I20, 2 50+
Georgia	6-240-40.0, Lg 47
Vanderbilt	3-119-39.7, Lg 47, 1 I20
vs. Iowa	7-284-40.6, Lg 48, 4 I20



**MATTHEW SALANSKY**  
 LS • 5-11 • 250 • R-Sr.  
 Morristown, Tenn.



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Name is pronounced *SUH-lan-skee*

**CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Burlsworth Trophy Nominee
- 2022 Burlsworth Trophy Nominee
- 2022 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2021 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Tennessee's starting long snapper who continues to be a model of consistency on the field, in the locker room and academically
- Is in his fifth straight and final season as the starting long snapper
- A walk-on who comes from a family history of Vols
- Has successfully executed 512 snaps in his career with 75 on field goal, 236 on PAT and 201 on punt
- Also has seven career tackles to his credit
- A three-time SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient and a member of the team's leadership council
- Received his undergraduate degree in December of 2023
- Two-time Burlsworth Trophy nominee
- Played in 53 career games

**2024**

- Registered one tackle in win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21) while going 13-for-13 on snaps (2 PAT, 3 FG, 8 punt)
- Successfully executed eight snaps vs. Kent State (9/14), going 8-for-8 for the third straight week
- Snapped the ball eight times (4 PAT, 3 FG, 1 punt) in the Vols' 51-10 victory over #24 NC State (9/7), and also served as a team captain
- Served as a team captain and made his 50th career appearance for the Vols in their season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31), snapping the ball eight times (6 PAT, 1 FG, 1 punt)

**NOTABLE**

- Earned his bachelor's degree in kinesiology in December 2023
  - Uncle, Casey Woods, lettered at wide receiver and was a specialist holder for the Vols from 2005-07
  - Grew up 45 min. away wanting to play for the Vols
  - Both his brother and mother graduated from UT
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**CAREER STATS**

**Games Played:** 2024: 4; 2023: 13; 2022: 13; 2021: 13; 2020: 10; 2019: 0  
**Career:** 53



**DYLAN SAMPSON**  
 RB • 5-11 • 201 • Jr.  
 Baton Rouge, La.

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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 Doak Walker Award Watch List
- 2024 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Athlon, Coaches)
- 2024 Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Phil Steele)
- 2023 CSC Academic All-District
- 2022-23 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll
- SEC Freshman of the Week (vs. Vanderbilt, 11/26/22)

**CAREER**

- An explosive, speedy running back with great playmaking ability who is in his third season

- Formed a dynamic backfield with Jaylen Wright and Jabari Small from 2022-23 and now has the reins as the starting back in 2024
- Provides a vocal presence and is a member of the team's leadership council
- One of the fastest players on the team, clocked at 22-23.0 mph on Catapult system
- Enrolled at Tennessee in June 2022 and went through his first spring practice in 2023
- For his career, rushed for 1,450 yards on 233 carries with 23 TDs and averages 6.2 yards per carry
- Has 27 career catches for 269 yards and one receiving touchdown
- Owns six 100-yard rushing games
- Two-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll and one of the Vols' leaders in community service
- Played in 26 career games with five starts

**2024**

- Leads the Power 4 and ranks second nationally in rushing TDs (10)
- Leads the SEC in rushing yards per game (112.25)
- Lead the SEC and is tied for second in the FBS in total points scored (60) and points per game (15.0)
- Rushed a career-high 24 times for 92 hard-earned yards and a touchdown in SEC opening victory at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Became the first Vol in the modern era with four rushing touchdowns in a half and tied the modern-era school single-game record with that total vs. Kent State (9/14)
- Rushed for 66 yards and three scores in the first 15 minutes against the Golden Flashes and finished with 101 yards and four TDs on 13 attempts, marking his fourth straight 100-yard performance dating back to the Citrus Bowl last season
- Delivered another sensational performance in UT's win over #24 NC State (9/7) amassing 132 yards on 20 carries with two rushing scores and adding three catches for 37 yards to finish with a career-high 169 all-purpose yards
- Tied his career-high in rushing touchdowns with three against Chattanooga (8/31) in the season opener, carrying the ball 12 times for 124 yards while also hauling in three receptions for 29 yards

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in information sciences
  - His biggest influence on his playing career is Reggie Bush—grew up a New Orleans Saints fan and appreciated his elusiveness
  - Shattered NFL and Dutchtown High School alum Eddie Lacy's program record for all-time rushing yards, racking up 4,927 yards on 521 carries
  - Said the passing of his grandfather from cancer during the Louisiana floods of 2016 motivated him to stay focused
  - Is an avid outdoorsman
  - Favorite movie is Juice (1992)
  - Favorite musical artist is Rod Wave
  - Favorite food is blackened chicken with Cajun fries
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Rushes</b>	24 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Rushing Yards</b>	139 vs. UTSA, 9/23/23
<b>Rushing Touchdowns</b>	4 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Long Rush</b>	80 at Vanderbilt, 11/26/22
<b>Receptions</b>	4 at Kentucky, 10/28/23
<b>Receiving Yards</b>	42 vs. South Carolina, 9/30/23
<b>Receiving Touchdowns</b>	1 vs. Virginia, 9/2/23
<b>Long Reception</b>	37 vs. South Carolina, 9/30/23
<b>Kick Returns</b>	1 vs. Clemson, 12/30/22
<b>Kick Return Yards</b>	24 vs. Clemson, 12/30/22
<b>Long Kick Return</b>	24 vs. Clemson, 12/30/22

**CAREER STATS**

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2022	10/0	58	397	6.8	39.7	6	80-VU	131-VU
2023	12/1	106	604	5.7	50.3	7	44-UTSA	139-UTSA
2024	4/4	69	449	6.5	112.3	10	56-UTC	132-NCST
<b>Career</b>	<b>26/5</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>1450</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>55.8</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>80-VU</b>	<b>139-UTSA</b>

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2022	10/0	3	24	8.0	2.4	0	19-BSU	19-BSU
2023	12/1	17	175	10.3	14.6	1	37-SC	42-SC
2024	4/4	7	70	10.0	23.3	0	21-NCST	37-NCST
<b>Career</b>	<b>26/5</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>10.0</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>37-SC</b>	<b>42-SC</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*Chattanooga	12-124-3, 56	3-29-0, 19
*vs. NC State	20-132-2, 34	3-37-0, 21
*Kent State	13-101-4, 22	1-4-0, 4
*at Oklahoma	24-92-1, 16	0-0-0

2023 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Virginia	13-52-3, 11	1-9-1, 9
Austin Peay	3-8-0, 3	1-9-0, 9
at Florida	DNP	
UTSA	11-139-2, 44	1-20-0, 20
South Carolina	9-49-1, 12	2-42-0, 37
Texas A&M	9-25-0, 12	1-9-0, 9
at Alabama	4-28-0, 12	2-9-0, 8
at Kentucky	17-76-1, 24	4-39-0, 17
UConn	5-28-0, 17	2-23-0, 13
at Missouri	3-20-0, 14	2-13-0, 9
Georgia	2-9-0, 8	1-2-0, 2
Vanderbilt	10-37-0, 9	0-0-0
*vs. Iowa	20-133-0, 31	0-0-0

2022 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Ball State	10-32-1, 10	1-19-0, 19
at Pitt	DNP	
Akron	8-57-2, 27	0-0-0
Florida	DNP	
at LSU	2-14-0, 9	0-0-0
Alabama	DNP	
UT Martin	13-62-1, 45	0-0-0
Kentucky	1-1-0, 1	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0	0-0-0
Missouri	8-98-1, 42	1-7-0, 7
at South Carolina	4-2-0, 4	1-(-2)-0, 0
at Vanderbilt	12-131-1, 80	0-0-0
vs. Clemson	0-0-0	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



**CAMERON SELDON**  
 RB • 6-2 • 222 • So.  
 Browns Store, Va.

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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Physical running back and bigger contributor in 2024 following the departure of Jaylen Wright and Jabari Small
- Underwent shoulder surgery during spring practice 2024 but was able to work his way back for 2024 opener
- Was a solid member of Tennessee's special teams coverage unit in his debut season
- Arrived at Rocky Top in January 2023
- Played in 15 career games

**2024**

- Carried the ball seven times in season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) for 47 yards, including a new career-long rush of 14 yards

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in management
  - Goes by "Cam"
  - Was a track star in high school, winning state championships in the 100-meter dash, 200-meter dash (twice) and 4x100 meter relay
  - Holds the Northumberland school record in both the 100- and 200-meter dash, clocking times of 10.74 (100m) and 21.7 (200m)
  - Also played basketball in high school
  - X: @CameronSeldon | IG: \_idominate.u
- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 112





**CAREER HIGHS**

Rushes	13 vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
Rushing Yards	55 vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
Long Rush	14 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Kick Returns	1 (4x), last vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Kick Return Yards	35 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Long Kick Return	35 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

**CAREER STATS**

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023	13/0	25	106	4.2	8.2	0	13-IOWA	55-IOWA
2024	2/0	7	47	6.7	47.0	0	14-UTC	47-UTC
<b>Career</b>	<b>15/0</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14-UTC</b>	<b>55-IOWA</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	KR-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	7-47-0, 14	1-35-0, 35
vs. NC State	DNP - Injury	
Kent State	DNP - Injury	
at Oklahoma	0-0-0	0-0-0

2023 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	KR-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Virginia	2-4-0, 2	0-0-0
Austin Peay	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Florida	0-0-0	0-0-0
UTSA	1-1-0, 1	0-0-0
South Carolina	0-0-0	1-21-0, 21
Texas A&M	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Alabama	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0	0-0-0
UConn	6-35-0, 11	1-15-0, 15
at Missouri	0-0-0	0-0-0
Georgia	3-11-0, 10	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-0-0	0-0-0
vs. Iowa	13-55-0, 13	0-0-0



**ELIJAH SIMMONS**  
DL • 6-2 • 340 • R-Sr.  
Memphis, Tenn.



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**CAREER**

- Strong, imposing interior defensive lineman with incredible athleticism for his size
- Is in his sixth and final collegiate season
- Totaled 52 career tackles, 7.0 tackles for loss and three pass breakups during his time at UT
- Originally from Memphis but moved to Nashville where he enjoyed a stellar high school career
- Graduated from Tennessee in December 2023
- Has seen action in 46 games and made seven starts during his career

**2024**

- Made a big play early in the game at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), setting the tone with a tackle for loss on the first play from scrimmage
- Served as a captain in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7), playing 11 snaps on the defensive line
- Was extremely disruptive up front, posting three total tackles and a half tackle for loss in the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Earned his bachelor's degree in communications studies in December 2023
  - Born in Memphis but moved to Nashville as an eight-year-old
  - Video of him dunking a basketball and then making a full court basket went viral in the spring of 2019
  - Appeared on stage at the 2019 NFL Draft in Nashville as one of the city's top high school players
  - Grew up singing in choir and was a member of high school a cappella group called the Fab Five
  - Won state titles in the shot put (49-10.5) and discus (146-8) at TSSAA Small Class Track & Field Championships as a junior
  - Repeated as state champion in the shot put (53-0) as a senior and finished second in the discus (144-11)
  - Models his game and watches NFL standouts Aaron Donald and Geno Atkins
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**CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	5 at Kentucky, 11/6/21
Tackles For Loss	1.0 (6x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Sacks	0.5 vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
QB Hurries	1 at Florida, 9/25/21
Passes Defended	1 (3x), last vs. UConn, 11/4/23

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	QBH	High Tk
2019	3/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	--
2020	10/2	2	8	10	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	4-UGA
2021	7/4	4	7	11	0-0	1.5-2	0	0	1	1	5-UK
2022	13/0	5	3	8	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	2-2x
2023	9/0	7	12	19	0.5-4	3-9	0	0	1	0	4-CONN
2024	4/1	2	2	4	0-0	1.5-7	0	0	0	0	3-UTC
<b>Career</b>	<b>46/7</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>0.5-4</b>	<b>7-19</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5-UK</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	1-2-3, 0.5 tfl
vs. NC State	0-0-0
Kent State	0-0-0
*at Oklahoma	1-0-1, 1 tfl

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	DNP - Injury
Austin Peay	DNP - Injury
at Florida	DNP - Injury
UTSA	DNP - Injury
South Carolina	0-1-1
Texas A&M	2-0-2
at Alabama	0-2-2
at Kentucky	0-1-1
UConn	3-1-4, 1 tfl, 1 pd
at Missouri	1-2-3, 1 tfl
Georgia	0-1-1
Vanderbilt	1-2-3, 0.5 tfl
vs. Iowa	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	2-0-2, 1 tfl
at Pitt	0-1-1
Akron	0-0-0
Florida	2-0-2
at LSU	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0
UT Martin	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-1-1
at Georgia	0-0-0
Missouri	0-1-1
at South Carolina	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	1-0-1
vs. Clemson	0-0-0

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Bowling Green	0-0-0, 1 pd
*Pitt	1-2-3
*Tennessee Tech	0-0-0
*at Florida	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl, 1 qbh
at Missouri	1-0-1, 1 tfl
South Carolina	DNP
Ole Miss	DNP
at Alabama	DNP
at Kentucky	2-3-5
Georgia	0-0-0
South Alabama	DNP
Vanderbilt	DNP
vs. Purdue	DNP

2020 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*at S. Carolina	1-0-1
*Missouri	0-1-1
at Georgia	0-4-4
Kentucky	0-1-1
Alabama	0-0-0, 1 pd
at Arkansas	1-1-2
at Auburn	0-1-1
Florida	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0
Texas A&M	0-0-0

2019 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Georgia State	DNP
BYU	DNP
Chattanooga	0-0-0

at Florida	DNP
Georgia	DNP
Mississippi State	DNP
at Alabama	DNP
South Carolina	DNP
UAB	DNP
at Kentucky	0-0-0
at Missouri	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	DNP
vs. Indiana	DNP

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**JOHN SLAUGHTER**  
DB • 6-2 • 195 • So.  
Clarksdale, Miss.

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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Young, talented safety expected to take on a larger role in 2024
- Also contributes on special teams
- Arrived on Rocky Top in December 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices
- Played in 16 career games

**2024**

- Recovered an onside kick and made one solo tackle in Tennessee's 71-0 victory over Kent State (9/14)
- In just six defensive snaps, made two stops and added a half tackle for loss in blowout win vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Saw action on 12 defensive snaps at safety in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sport management
  - Was a two-time captain of Southaven High School
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**CAREER HIGHS**

Tackles	2 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
Tackles For Loss	0.5 vs. NC State, 9/7/24

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2023	13/0	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-A&M
2024	3/0	1	2	2	0-0	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	2-NCST
<b>Career</b>	<b>16/0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0.5-1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2-NCST</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T Other
Chattanooga	0-0-0
vs. NC State	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl
Kent State	1-0-1 (Recovered Onside Kick)
at Oklahoma	DNP - Injury

2023 Opp.	U-A-T Other
vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	0-0-0
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	1-0-1
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0
UConn	0-0-0
at Missouri	0-0-0
Georgia	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-0-0
vs. Iowa	0-0-0







**JALEN SMITH**  
LB • 6-2 • 230 • R-Fr.  
Grayson, Ga.

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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

**2024**

- Made one tackle as the Vols held Kent State to just 112 yards of total offense in a 71-0 victory (9/14)
- Played 17 snaps on defense and registered one tackle in win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made a career-high four tackles in UT's season-opening win over Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in nutrition
- A two-time team captain who helped lead Grayson High School to a Region 4-7A title and the Class 7A state quarterfinals as a senior in 2022
- Rated a four-star prospect by Rivals
- Finished his prep career with a school-record 434 tackles to go along with 30 TFLs, 18 sacks, three forced fumbles and a pick six
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**CAREER HIGHS**

**Tackles** 4 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2023	5/0	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-4x
2024	4/0	1	5	6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	4-UTC
<b>Career</b>	<b>9/0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4-UTC</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T Other
Chattanooga	1-3-4
vs. NC State	0-1-1
Kent State	0-1-1
at Oklahoma	0-0-0

2023 Opp.	U-A-T Other
UTSA	0-1-1
UConn	1-0-1
Georgia	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	1-0-1
vs. Iowa	1-0-1



**JAVONTEZ SPRAGGINS**  
OL • 6-3 • 330 • Sr.  
East St. Louis, Ill.



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Name is pronounced juh-VAWN-tez SPRA-gens

**CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Athlon)
- 2024 Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Phil Steele)
- 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- 2025 Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 All-SEC Third Team (Phil Steele)
- 2022 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week (vs. #20 Florida, 9/24/22)
- 2021 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2020-21 First-Year SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Powerful and relentless offensive guard who returns for his fifth season with the program and his fourth straight as a starter
- Has steadily been one of the leaders of an offensive line that was a semifinalist for the Joe Moore Award last season for the first time in school history
- Four-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll who will wear the SEC graduate patch in 2024

- Seen action on 2,758 career offensive snaps and allowed only five sacks in his last two-plus seasons
- Returns from a knee injury he suffered in Nov. 2023
- Played in 48 games with 41 career starts, including 40 at right guard

**2024**

- Started at RG for the 40th time in his career and played all 73 offensive snaps in the Vols' road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Made his 40th career start for the Vols in record-setting win vs. Kent State (9/14) helping UT post modern-era single-game record with 740 total of total offense and 71 points
- Started at RG and helped pave the way for UT's punishing rushing attack that rolled up 249 yards on the ground in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Started at RG and played 44 clean snaps in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31), helping UT rack up 718 total yards of offense, which was tied for the second most in program history

**NOTABLE**

- Earned his bachelor's degree in sociology in December 2023
- Nickname is "The Zookeeper" after hoisting up opponent stuffed-toy mascots that fans give him following victories
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**CAREER STATS**

**Games Played/Started:** 2024: 4/4; 2023: 11/11; 2022: 13/13; 2021: 12/12; 2020: 8/1  
**Career:** 48/41



**HOLDEN STAES**  
TE • 6-4 • 248 • Jr.  
Atlanta, Ga.

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Last name is pronounced STAYS

**CAREER**

- Dynamic tight end transfer with excellent pass catching ability and size
- Tabbed as the No. 1 transfer tight end and No. 16 overall transfer prospect for the 2023 cycle by 247Sports
- Spent his freshman and sophomore seasons at Notre Dame before entering the portal and enrolling at Tennessee in January 2024
- Owns two years of remaining eligibility, including the 2024 season
- Got his first taste of the Heupel offense being able to go through a full spring in 2024
- Played in 22 games with nine starts at Notre Dame, while catching 16 passes for 187 yards and four touchdowns
- Played in 26 career games (22 at ND, 4 at UT) and made 10 starts (9 at ND, 1 at UT)

**2024**

- Played 46 snaps and had two catches for eight yards in SEC opener on the road at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Pulled down one reception for 16 yards in blowout win vs. Kent State (9/14)
- Made his first start and hauled in his first touchdown catch as a Vol, an 18-yard reception for the final score of the game in win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made Tennessee debut in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31), playing 24 snaps and hauling in two receptions for 13 yards

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in journalism and electronic media
- Outside of football, enjoys going to concerts, playing basketball and golfing
- Favorite musical artists are Rod Wave and Drake
- Aspires to be a sports broadcaster
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Receptions</b>	4 at NC State, 9/9/23*
<b>Receiving Yards</b>	115 at NC State, 9/9/23*
<b>Receiving Touchdowns</b>	2 at NC State, 9/9/23*
<b>Long Reception</b>	40 at NC State, 9/9/23*

\* - at Notre Dame

**CAREER STATS**

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2022*	11/1	1	11	11.0	1.0	0	11-BYU	11-BYU
2023*	11/8	15	176	11.7	16.0	4	40-NCST	115-NCST
2024	4/1	6	55	9.2	13.8	1	18-NCST	18-NCST
<b>at ND</b>	<b>22/9</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>11.7</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>40-NCST</b>	<b>115-NCST</b>
<b>at UT</b>	<b>4/1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>18-NCST</b>	<b>18-NCST</b>
<b>Career</b>	<b>26/10</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>11.2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>40-NCST</b>	<b>115-NCST</b>

\* - at Notre Dame

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	2-13-0, 9
*vs. NC State	1-18-1, 18
Kent State	1-16-0, 16
at Oklahoma	2-8-0, 6

2023 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*vs. Navy	0-0-0
*Tennessee State	1-4-1, 4
at NC State	4-115-2, 40
*Central Michigan	1-4-1, 4
*Ohio State	0-0-0
at Duke	0-0-0
at Louisville	2-16-0, 9
*USC	2-10-0, 7
*Pittsburgh	2-14-0, 9
*at Clemson	1-7-0, 7
*Wake Forest	2-6-0, 10
at Stanford	DNP
vs. Oregon State	DNP

2022 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
at Ohio State	DNP
Marshall	0-0-0
California	DNP
*at North Carolina	0-0-0
vs. BYU	1-11-0
Stanford	0-0-0
UNLV	0-0-0
at Syracuse	0-0-0
Clemson	0-0-0
vs. Navy	0-0-0
Boston College	0-0-0
at USC	0-0-0
vs. South Carolina	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



**JEREMIAH TELANDER**  
LB • 6-2 • 238 • So.  
Gainesville, Ga.

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Last name pronounced TEE-lan-dur

**CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Physical linebacker with a nose for the ball who sees prominent action in 2024
- Coming off a true freshman season in which he got better every single week and was the leading freshman tackler on the squad
- Also a major contributor on special teams coverage
- Arrived on Rocky Top in December 2022, participating in Orange Bowl practices and then attending the game before going through his first spring practice in 2023
- Played in 16 career games

**2024**

- Recorded three total tackles and a PBU in shutout win over Kent State (9/14) as the defense held the Golden Flashes to 112 yards of total offense

- Notched one tackle and recovered a fumble in UT's 51-10 victory over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Played 29 snaps and tallied four solo tackles in the season-opening win over Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in sport management
  - His father, Steve, played college football at UMass before getting into coaching and spending time as an assistant coach at Missouri, Bowling Green, UTEP and UMass
  - Was also a standout track and field athlete and played basketball in high school
  - Won a sectional title and placed fourth at the Georgia Class 3A state championship meet in the high jump as a sophomore in 2020
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	6 (2x), last vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23
<b>Tackles For Loss</b>	1.0 (2x), last vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
<b>Passes Defended</b>	1 (2x), last vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	1 vs. NC State, 9/7/24

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2023	13/0	15	20	35	0-0	2.5-4	0	0	1	0	6-2x
2024	4/0	6	2	8	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	4-UTC
<b>Career</b>	<b>17/0</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>2.5-4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6-2x</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	4-0-4
vs. NC State	1-0-1, 1 fr
Kent State	1-2-3, 1 pd
at Oklahoma	0-0-0

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	2-4-6
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	1-2-3
South Carolina	1-1-2
Texas A&M	0-1-1
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0
UConn	1-4-5, 1 tfl
at Missouri	2-1-3, 0.5 tfl
Georgia	2-2-4
Vanderbilt	3-3-6, 1 pd
vs. Iowa	3-2-5, 1 tfl



**JAKOBE THOMAS**  
DB • 6-2 • 200 • R-Jr.  
Tulahoma, Tenn.

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**CAREER**

- Veteran in-state transfer safety with two years of eligibility remaining
- Spent the first three seasons of his college career at Middle Tennessee after a standout prep career at Tullahoma High School
- The No. 12 safety and No. 118 prospect overall according to the 247Sports transfer rankings cycle
- Saw action in 24 games with 13 starts during his career as a Blue Raider, totaling 108 tackles, four interceptions, eight pass breakups and two forced fumbles
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2024 and went through spring practice
- Played in 28 career games (24 at MTSU, 4 at UT) with 13 starts (all at MTSU)

**2024**

- Notched two tackles, including a highlight-reel hit down the sideline, and recovered a fumble in UT's road victory at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Tallied four total tackles in UT's 71-0 win over Kent State (9/14)

- Made three stops with one TFL and a sack against #24 NC State (9/7), helping the Vols' defense hold the Wolfpack to just 143 yards of total offense
- Had two tackles and one pass breakup in his Tennessee debut in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
  - Two-way player for Tullahoma who led the team in rushing with 712 yards and 16 touchdowns his senior season
  - Named a semifinalist for the 2020 Class 4-A Tennessee Mr. Football Award
  - Favorite musical artist is Cody Johnson
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 121

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	11 (2x), last at Liberty, 10/17/23*
<b>Tackles For Loss</b>	1.0 (5x), last vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Sacks</b>	1.0 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Interceptions</b>	2 at FIU, 11/26/22*
<b>Passes Defended</b>	2 (2x), last vs. Jacksonville State, 10/4/23*
<b>Forced Fumbles</b>	1 (2x), last vs. Murray State, 9/16/23*
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	1 (2x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24

\* - at MTSU

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2021*	1/0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	--
2022*	12/3	27	10	37	0-0	1-5	1	0	7	4	11-WKU
2023*	11/0	52	19	71	0-0	3-6	1	1	5	0	11-LIB
2024	4/0	8	3	11	1-5	1-5	0	1	1	0	4-KSU
<b>at MTSU</b>	<b>24/13</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>4-11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11-2x</b>
<b>at UT</b>	<b>4/0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1-5</b>	<b>1-5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4-KSU</b>
<b>Career</b>	<b>28/13</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>1-5</b>	<b>5-16</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11-2x</b>

\* - at MTSU

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T Other
Chattanooga	1-1-2, 1 pd
vs. NC State	2-1-3, 1 tfl, 1 s
Kent State	3-1-4
at Oklahoma	2-0-2, 1 fr

2023 Opp.	U-A-T Other
*at Alabama	6-2-8, 1 pd
*at Missouri	5-1-6
*Murray State	6-0-6, 1 tfl, 1 ff
*Colorado State	4-1-5
*at WKU	2-1-3, 1 pd
*Jacksonville State	2-3-5, 2 pd, 1 punt return
*La Tech	2-4-6, 1 tfl
*at Liberty	8-3-11
*at New Mexico State	3-1-4, 1 tfl
FIU	DNP
UTEP	5-3-8, 1 pd, 1 fr
*at Sam Houston State	9-0-9

2022 Opp.	U-A-T Other
at James Madison	1-2-3
at Colorado State	DNP
Tennessee State	0-1-1
at Miami (FL)	0-0-0
UTSA	0-0-0
at UAB	0-0-0
*WKU	9-2-11, 1 ff
*at UTEP	5-1-6, 1 tfl, 1 int
*at La Tech	1-1-2
Charlotte	2-1-3, 1 pd, 1 int
FAU	4-0-4, 1 pd
at FIU	3-2-5, 2 int, 1 td (int)
vs. San Diego State	2-0-2

2021 Opp.	U-A-T Other
Monmouth	DNP
at Virginia Tech	DNP
at UTSA	DNP
at Charlotte	DNP
Marshall	DNP
at Liberty	DNP
at UConn	DNP
Southern Miss	DNP

at WKU	DNP
FIU	0-0-0
Old Dominion	DNP
at FAU	DNP
vs. Toledo	DNP

\* - denotes started



**OMARI THOMAS**  
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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)
- 2025 Reese's Senior Bowl Watch List
- 2025 Shrine Bowl 1000 Watch List
- 2024 NCAA Oversight Committee
- 2022-2023 SEC Football Leadership Council
- 2021 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- A highly-touted, strong defensive tackle out of Memphis who is in his fifth season with the program as one of the leaders in the SEC
- Member of the team's leadership council and has served as the Vols' representative on the SEC Football Leadership Council for three straight seasons
- Selected to be the SEC's representative on the NCAA Division I Football Oversight Committee Student-Athlete Connection Group in 2024
- Is in his final season of eligibility and fourth straight season as a starter
- Has accumulated 97 tackles, 12.5 tackles for loss, four sacks, 10 QB hurries, one fumble recovery, one forced fumble and one blocked kick
- Also skilled at batting balls down at the line with 11 pass breakups in his career
- Graduated from Tennessee in May 2024
- Played in 52 career games with 33 starts

**2024**

- Played 26 snaps and made one tackle in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Appeared in his 50th game as a Vol with his 32nd start, tying for the team lead with four tackles to go along with 1.5 TFLs and one pass breakup in UT's victory over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made his 31st start as a Vol in UT's season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31), battling down one pass and recording a QB hurry in just 15 snaps

**NOTABLE**

- Earned his degree in journalism and electronic media from Tennessee in May 2024
- Nickname is "Big O"
- Father, Romarcus Thomas, played football at Arkansas State
- High school teammates with RB Jabari Small and VFL/Memphis Grizzlies guard Kennedy Chandler
- Was a member of the 2020-21 VOLEaders Academy and visited Botswana in Southern Africa in the summer of 2022
- Raised money for the Down Syndrome Association of Mid-South, Autism Speaks and the Mowet-Wilson Foundation as a senior in high school
- Also played basketball, tennis and threw shot put for the track & field team in high school
- Roommates with fellow Memphis native Jabari Small
- Enjoys playing video games and outdoor activities
- Favorite movie is "Rush Hour"
- Favorite TV show is "All American"
- One of his superstitions is to drink a Minute Maid on the day of the game
- Enjoys listening to people play musical instruments
- Goal beyond football is to either become a sports broadcaster, an investor or a coach
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	5 (2x), last vs. UTSA, 9/23/23
<b>Tackles for Loss</b>	1.5 (2x), last vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Sacks</b>	1.0 (4x), last vs. South Carolina, 9/30/23
<b>Forced Fumbles</b>	1 vs. Florida, 9/24/22
<b>Fumble Recoveries</b>	1 at Pitt, 9/10/22
<b>Passes Defended</b>	1 (11x), last vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>QB Hurries</b>	2 (2x), last vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23
<b>Blocked Kicks</b>	1 (PAT) at Florida, 9/16/23

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2020	10/0	7	3	10	0-0	1-2	0	0	0	0	2-3x
2021	13/6	11	10	21	1-5	3-14	0	0	3	4	4-2x
2022	13/13	11	15	22	2-15	2-5-16	1	1	4	4	5-UF
2023	12/11	19	16	35	1-3	4-5-15	0	0	3	1	5-UTSA
2024	4/3	2	3	5	0-0	1-5-2	0	0	1	2	4-NCST
<b>Career</b>	<b>52/33</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>4-23</b>	<b>12-5-49</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5-2x</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

**2024 Opp.** **U-A-T, Other**

*Chattanooga	0-0-0, 1 pd, 1 qbh
*vs. NC State	1-3-4, 1.5 tfl, 1 pd
*Kent State	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	1-0-1

**2023 Opp.** **U-A-T, Other**

*vs. Virginia	2-1-3, 1.5 tfl
*Austin Peay	1-1-2, 1 tfl
*at Florida	0-0-0, 1 blk (PAT)
*UTSA	3-2-5
*South Carolina	1-2-3, 1 s, 1 tfl
*Texas A&M	1-1-2
*at Alabama	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 qbh
*at Kentucky	3-1-4
UConn	DNP
at Missouri	1-2-3
*Georgia	0-3-3
*Vanderbilt	3-1-4, 2 qbh
*vs. Iowa	3-1-4, 1 pd

**2022 Opp.** **U-A-T, Other**

*Ball State	0-4-4, 1 pd
*at Pitt	3-1-4, 1 fr, 1 pd
*Akron	0-0-0
*Florida	3-2-5, 1 ff, 2 qbh, 1 pd
*at LSU	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl
*Alabama	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh
*UT Martin	0-0-0
*Kentucky	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh
*at Georgia	1-0-1
*Missouri	0-1-1
*at South Carolina	0-2-2, 1 pd
*at Vanderbilt	1-1-2
*vs. Clemson	1-1-2

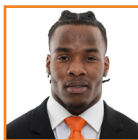
**2021 Opp.** **U-A-T, Other**

Bowling Green	0-0-0, 1 pd, 1 qbh
Pitt	0-1-1
Tennessee Tech	2-0-2
at Florida	0-1-1
*at Missouri	1-0-1
*South Carolina	1-0-1
Ole Miss	3-1-4, 1 s, 1 tfl, 1 pd, 1 saf
at Alabama	0-0-0
*at Kentucky	1-0-1
*Georgia	1-3-4, 1 tfl
*South Alabama	1-2-3, 1 tfl, 1 qbh, 1 pd
*Vanderbilt	1-0-1, 1 qbh, 1 pd
vs. Purdue	0-2-2

**2020 Opp.** **U-A-T, Other**

at South Carolina	1-0-1
Missouri	1-1-2, 1 tfl
at Georgia	0-1-1
Kentucky	1-0-1
Alabama	0-0-0
at Arkansas	2-0-2
at Auburn	1-0-1
Florida	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	1-1-2
Texas A&M	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



**DONT'E THORNTON JR.**  
WR • 6-5 • 214 • Sr.  
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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- A speedy transfer wide receiver with dynamic athletic ability and big potential
- Originally signed with Oregon as a member of the Class of 2021, playing two seasons with the Ducks before enrolling at Tennessee in January 2023
- Owns two seasons of remaining eligibility
- Can play on the outside or in the slot
- Played in 25 games in his two seasons at Oregon, totaling 26 catches for 541 yards and three TDs
- Played in 38 career games (25 at Oregon, 13 at UT) and made eight starts (5 at Oregon, 3 at UT)

**2024**

- Has been a big-play threat this season, ranking tied for fourth in the SEC and tied for ninth in the FBS with three receptions of 40-plus yards
- Leads the Vols with 242 receiving yards and is averaging an incredible 34.6 yards per catch entering Week 6
- Caught two passes for 73 yards and a touchdown in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21). Tied his career-long with a 66-yard TD reception against the Sooners in the first quarter for the first TD of the game
- Hauled in two receptions for 64 yards with a long of 53 in the Vols' victory over Kent State (9/14)
- Recorded his first multi-touchdown performance in college in season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31), hauling in three receptions for 105 yards and two touchdowns, including a 36-yard catch-and-run for his first score in Neyland Stadium

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
- Selected to play in the 2021 All-American Bowl and the 2021 Polynesian Bowl
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Receptions</b>	4 (3x) vs. Utah, 11/19/22*
<b>Receiving Yards</b>	151 vs. Utah, 11/19/22*
<b>Receiving TDs</b>	2 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Long Reception</b>	66 (2x), last vs. Oklahoma, 9/21/24

\*at Oregon

**CAREER STATS**

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
*2021	14/2	9	175	19.4	12.5	2	66-OU	90-OU
*2022	11/3	17	366	21.5	33.3	1	58-UTAH	151-UTAH
2023	9/3	13	224	17.2	24.9	1	47-UK	63-UK
2024	4/0	7	242	34.6	60.5	3	66-OU	105-UTC
<b>at ORE</b>	<b>25/5</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>541</b>	<b>20.8</b>	<b>21.6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>66-OU</b>	<b>151-UTAH</b>
<b>at UT</b>	<b>13/3</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>466</b>	<b>23.3</b>	<b>35.8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>466-OU</b>	<b>105-UTC</b>
<b>Career</b>	<b>38/8</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>1007</b>	<b>22.1</b>	<b>28.7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>66-OU</b>	<b>151-UTAH</b>

\*at Oregon

**GAME-BY-GAME**

**2024 Opp.** **Rec-Yds-TD, Lg**

Chattanooga	3-105-2, 59
vs. NC State	0-0-0
Kent State	2-64-0, 53
at Oklahoma	2-73-1, 66

**2023 Opp.** **Rec-Yds-TD, Lg**

vs. Virginia	2-12-0, 7
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	3-53-0, 43
UTSA	2-24-0, 15
South Carolina	DNP - Injury
Texas A&M	0-0-0
at Alabama	0-0-0
*at Kentucky	3-63-0, 47
*UConn	2-26-0, 22
*at Missouri	1-46-1, 46

Georgia	DNP - Injury
Vanderbilt	DNP - Injury
vs. Iowa	DNP - Injury

**2022 Opp.** **Rec-Yds-TD, Lg (Other)**

at Georgia	2-20-0, 10
Eastern Washington	4-60-0, 22
BYU	0-0-0
at Washington State	1-42-0, 42
Stanford	0-0-0 (1 rush, 9 yds)
at Arizona	DNP
UCLA	0-0-0
at Cal	1-7-0, 7
*at Colorado	2-17-0, 25
Washington	1-46-1, 46
*Utah	4-151-0, 58 (1 rush, -3 yds)
*at Oregon State	2-23-0, 16
vs. North Carolina	DNP

**2021 Opp.** **Rec-Yds-TD, Lg**

Fresno State	0-0-0
at Ohio State	0-0-0
Stony Brook	2-60-1, 54
Arizona	0-0-0
at Stanford	0-0-0
Cal	0-0-0
at UCLA	0-0-0
Colorado	0-0-0
at Washington	0-0-0
Washington State	0-0-0
*at Utah	2-16-0, 8
Oregon State	1-9-0, 9
vs. Utah	0-0-0
*vs. Oklahoma	4-90-1, 66

\* - denotes started



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**CAREER HONORS**

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Strong-legged, homegrown specialist who is the primary kickoff specialist for the second straight year
- Connected on three PATs and one field goal during his college career
- Played in 18 career games and totaled 116 kickoffs for 7,261 yards (62.6 avg.)

**2024**

- Tied for second in the FBS with 30 touchbacks and ranks 10th nationally in kickoff yards at 2,167
- Kicked off six times for 390 yards with six touchbacks in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Set career highs with 11 kickoffs for 678 yards and eight touchbacks against Kent State (9/14)
- Kicked off nine times for 579 yards with eight touchbacks vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Kicked off eight times for 520 yards and eight touchbacks against Chattanooga (8/31), while also converting on two PAT attempts

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in marketing
- Mother is a UT graduate
- Two of his toes are conjoined
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Field Goals Made</b>	1 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
<b>Field Goals Attempted</b>	1 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
<b>Longest Field Goal</b>	33 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
<b>Longest Attempt</b>	33 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
<b>PATs</b>	2 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Points</b>	4 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
<b>Kickoffs Attempted</b>	11 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Kickoff Yards</b>	678 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
<b>Touchbacks</b>	8 (4x), last vs. Kent State, 9/14/24



CAREER STATS

Kick	GP	FG	FGA	Pct.	PAT	Pts	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	Lg
2022	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
2023	13	1	1	100	1-1	4	--	1-1	--	--	33-CONN
2024	4	0	0	--	2-2	2	--	--	--	--	--
<b>Career</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3-3</b>	<b>6</b>	--	<b>1-1</b>	--	--	<b>33-CONN</b>

Kickoffs	GP	No	Yds	Avg	TB	OB
2022	1	1	65	65.0	1	0
2023	13	81	5029	62.1	58	6
2024	4	34	2167	63.7	30	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>7261</b>	<b>62.6</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>7</b>

GAME-BY-GAME

2024 Opp.	FGs, PATs, Pts
Chattanooga	0-0, 2-2, 2
vs. NC State	0-0, 0-0
Kent State	0-0, 0-0
at Oklahoma	0-0, 0-0

2024 Opp.	Kickoffs, YDs, AVG, TB
Chattanooga	8-520-65.0, 8 tb
vs. NC State	9-579-64.3, 8 tb
Kent State	11-678-61.6, 8 tb
at Oklahoma	6-390-65.0, 6 tb

2023 Opp.	FGs, PATs, Pts
vs. Virginia	0-0, 0-0, 0
Austin Peay	0-0, 0-0, 0
at Florida	0-0, 0-0, 0
UTSA	0-0, 0-0, 0
South Carolina	0-0, 0-0, 0
Texas A&M	0-0, 0-0, 0
at Alabama	0-0, 0-0, 0
at Kentucky	0-0, 0-0, 0
UConn	1-1 (33M), 1-1, 4 pts
at Missouri	0-0, 0-0, 0
Georgia	0-0, 0-0, 0
Vanderbilt	0-0, 0-0, 0
vs. Iowa	0-0, 0-0, 0

2023 Opp.	Kickoffs, YDs, AVG, TB
vs. Virginia	8-489-61.1, 4 tb
Austin Peay	6-387-64.5, 5 tb
at Florida	4-260-65.0, 4 tb
UTSA	8-520-65.0, 8 tb
South Carolina	8-531-66.4, 6 tb
Texas A&M	5-325-65.0, 4 tb
at Alabama	5-260-52.0, 3 tb
at Kentucky	8-520-65.0, 7 tb
UConn	10-581-58.1, 5 tb
at Missouri	2-130-65.0, 2 tb
Georgia	2-123-61.5, 1 tb
Vanderbilt	9-556-61.8, 5 tb
vs. Iowa	6-347-57.8, 4 tb

2022 Opp.	FGs, PATs, Pts
Ball State	DNP
Pittsburgh	DNP
Akron	DNP
Florida	DNP
LSU	DNP
Alabama	DNP
UT-Martin	0-0, 0-0, 0
Kentucky	DNP
Georgia	DNP
Missouri	DNP
South Carolina	DNP
Vanderbilt	DNP
Clemson	DNP

2022 Opp.	Kickoffs, YDs, AVG, TB
Ball State	DNP
Pittsburgh	DNP
Akron	DNP
Florida	DNP
LSU	DNP
Alabama	DNP
UT-Martin	1-65-65.0, 1 tb
Kentucky	DNP
Georgia	DNP
Missouri	DNP
South Carolina	DNP
Vanderbilt	DNP
Clemson	DNP



**ANDRE TURRENTINE**  
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Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Last name pronounced TUR-en-tine

CAREER

- Highly-touted Nashville native and starting safety who returned to his home state after spending his true freshman campaign at Ohio State
- Became an important of the secondary in his second season at UT and was thrust into starting action during the final three games of 2023
- Shined in the 2024 Citrus Bowl win
- Enrolled at Tennessee in June 2022 after a solid spring at Ohio State
- Owens two seasons of eligibility remaining, including the 2024 campaign
- Signed with Ohio State after a standout prep career at Ensworth School
- Played in 32 career games (28 at UT, 4 at OSU) and has made seven career starts (all at UT)

2024

- Recorded a career-high five tackles with one PBU in road win over #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Had one PBU in Tennessee's shutout win over Kent State (9/14) as the defense held the Golden Flashes to just 112 yards of total offense
- Made his fifth start for the Vols in their 51-10 win over #24 NC State (9/7), registering one tackle
- Started at safety and made two total tackles in UT's season-opening victory over Chattanooga (8/31)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
  - Has three brothers, Antonio Jr., James and Alijah, and one sister, Katche
  - X: @KingATIII | IG: returnofdos
- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 126

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	5 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Tackles for Loss	1.5 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
Interceptions	1 vs. Iowa, (1/1/24)
Passes Defended	2 vs. Iowa, (1/1/24)
QB Hurries	1 vs. UTSA, 9/23/23

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High	Tk
2021*	4/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	--	--
2022	13/0	7	4	11	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	4-2x	--
2023	11/3	13	5	18	0-0	2.5-3	0	0	2	1	4-3x	--
2024	4/4	5	3	8	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0	5-0U	--
at OSU	4/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	--	--
at UT	28/7	25	12	37	0-0	2.5-3	0	0	4	1	5-0U	--
<b>Career</b>	<b>32/7</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>2.5-3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5-0U</b>	<b>--</b>

\* - at Ohio State

GAME-BY-GAME

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	1-1-2
*vs. NC State	1-0-1
*Kent State	0-0-0, 1 pd
*at Oklahoma	3-2-5, 1 pd

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	1-0-1
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	DNP
UTSA	3-1-4, 1 qbh
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	DNP
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0
UConn	1-3-4, 1.5 tfl
at Missouri	0-0-0
*Georgia	3-1-4, 1 tfl
*Vanderbilt	2-0-2
*vs. Iowa	3-0-3, 1 int, 2 pd

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	2-2-4

at Pitt	0-0-0
Akron	1-0-1
Florida	0-0-0
at LSU	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0
UT Martin	3-1-4
Kentucky	0-1-1
at Georgia	0-0-0
Missouri	1-0-1
at South Carolina	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0
vs. Clemson	0-0-0

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
at Minnesota	DNP
Oregon	DNP
Tulsa	DNP
Akron	0-0-0
at Rutgers	DNP
Maryland	0-0-0
at Indiana	DNP
Penn State	DNP
at Nebraska	DNP
Purdue	DNP
Michigan State	0-0-0
at Michigan	DNP
vs. Utah	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



**TYREE WEATHERSBY**  
DL • 6-5 • 272 • R-Fr.  
Douglasville, Ga.

CAREER HONORS

- 2023-24 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

2024

- Played six snaps along the defensive line in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made his Tennessee debut in season opener against Chattanooga (8/31), playing eight snaps on the defensive line

NOTABLE

- Helped lead New Manchester High School to consecutive Georgia Class 5A state playoff appearances during his sophomore and junior seasons, including a Region 6-5A title in 2020
  - Finished his senior season with 61 total tackles, 16 tackles for loss and seven sacks
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 126

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High	Tk
2023												
2024	4/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	--	--
<b>Career</b>	<b>4/0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>

GAME-BY-GAME

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-0-0
vs. NC State	0-0-0
Kent State	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	0-0-0



**TYRE WEST**  
DL • 6-3 • 290 • Jr.  
Tifton, Ga.

First name pronounced tie-REE

CAREER

- Quick defensive lineman with a notable pass-rushing ability who is in his third season with the program
- Off to a strong start in 2024 and has tallied at least one tackle in six straight games





- Arrived at Tennessee in December 2021 after an elite prep career in Georgia
- Has registered 35 total tackles, 11.5 tackles for loss of 55 yards and six sacks for a loss of 42 yards
- Played in 28 career games

**2024**

- Was strong for the Vols on the defensive line against #15 Oklahoma (9/21), totaling three tackles - one TFL - and a sack in the win
- Had another strong outing in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7), totaling three tackles with a half TFL
- Tallied two tackles for loss of 11 yards, one sack for a loss of eight yards and forced one fumble in UT's season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
  - Related to former NFL and current CFL player Larry Dean
  - Favorite movie is "Rush Hour"
  - Favorite musical artist is Lil' Baby
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**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Tackles</b>	6 vs. UTSA, 9/23/23
<b>Tackles for Loss</b>	2.0 (3x), last vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
<b>Sacks</b>	1.5 vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
<b>QB Hurries</b>	1 (4x), last vs. Kentucky, 10/29/22
<b>Forced Fumbles</b>	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

**CAREER STATS**

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2022	11/0	7	2	9	2-13	5-20	0	0	4	0	2-3x
2023	13/0	7	10	17	2-17	3-19	0	0	0	0	6-UTSA
2024	4/0	6	3	9	2-12	3.5-16	1	0	1	0	3-2x
<b>Career</b>	<b>28/0</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>6-42</b>	<b>11.5-55</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6-UTSA</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	2-0-2, 2 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff
vs. NC State	1-2-3, 0.5 tfl
Kent State	0-1-1
at Oklahoma	3-0-3, 1 tfl, 1 s

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
Austin Peay	2-0-2
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	1-5-6
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	0-0-0
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0
UConn	0-0-0
at Missouri	1-1-2
Georgia	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-2-2, 1 tfl, 0.5 s
vs. Iowa	3-1-4, 1.5 tfl, 1.5 s

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	1-0-1, 1 qbh
at Pitt	DNP
Akron	2-0-2, 2 tfl, 1 qbh
Florida	0-1-1
at LSU	1-0-1
Alabama	DNP
UT Martin	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh
Kentucky	0-0-0, 1 qbh
at Georgia	0-0-0
Missouri	0-0-0
at South Carolina	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	2-0-2, 2 tfl, 1 s
vs. Clemson	0-0-0



**SQUIRREL WHITE**  
 WR • 5-10 • 167 • Jr.  
 Birmingham, Ala.

**CAREER HONORS**

- 2024 Biletnikoff Award Watch List
- 2024 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Athlon, Coaches, Phil Steele)
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

**CAREER**

- Explosive playmaker who is one of the fastest wide receivers and return specialists in college football
- Burst onto the scene as a true freshman and got stronger as the season went on, culminating with an elite performance in the 2022 Orange Bowl
- Followed that up with a sophomore campaign in which he was one of the best slot receivers in the SEC
- In his third season with the program and has the experience to continue his growth
- Clocked at 23.4 MPH on the Catapult system
- Owns 11 catches of 30+ yards, 10 catches of 40+ yards, six catches of 50+ yards and three receptions of 60+ yards
- Produced five 100-yard receiving games
- Caught 105 passes for 1,405 yards and four touchdowns, averaging 13.4 yards per reception
- Played in 29 career games with 18 starts

**2024**

- Pulled down three catches for 13 yards and returned two punts for 12 yards at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Caught one pass for 19 yards as the Vols rolled to a 71-0 victory over Kent State (9/14) and returned one punt for 22 yards
- Hauled in two receptions for 67 yards, including a 45-yard catch vs. #24 NC State (9/7) while notching career highs in punt returns (3) and punt return yards (58), including a career-long 31-yard return
- Started and has two receptions for 22 yards in UT's season-opening win over Chattanooga (8/31). Also added a 20-yard punt return in the victory

**NOTABLE**

- Majoring in communication studies
  - Full name is Marquarius Malik "Squirrel" White
  - Goes by his nickname "Squirrel"
  - Nickname originated from his great grandmother who called him "Squirrel" when he was an infant
  - A sprinter on his high school track and field team ,finishing second in the 100m and 200m at the AHSAA State Championship with times of 10.68 and 21.58, respectively
  - Selected to Bruce Feldman's "Freaks List" by The Athletic in summer 2023
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 132

**CAREER HIGHS**

<b>Receptions</b>	10 (2x), last vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23
<b>Receiving Yards</b>	122 vs. UT Martin, 10/22/22
<b>Receiving Touchdowns</b>	1 (4x), last vs. UConn, 11/4/23
<b>Long Reception</b>	83 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
<b>Rushing Attempts</b>	1 (3x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
<b>Rushing Yards</b>	5 (2x), last vs. South Carolina, 9/30/23
<b>Long Rush</b>	5 (2x), last vs. South Carolina, 9/30/23
<b>Punt Returns</b>	3 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Punt Return Yards</b>	58 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
<b>Long Punt Return</b>	31 vs. NC State, 9/7/24

**CAREER STATS**

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2022	12/2	30	481	16.0	40.1	2	64-2x	122-UTM
2023	13/13	67	803	12.0	61.8	2	83-CONN	111-ALA
2024	4/3	8	121	15.1	30.3	0	45-NCST	67-NCST
<b>Career</b>	<b>29/18</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>1405</b>	<b>13.4</b>	<b>48.4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>83-CONN</b>	<b>122-UTM</b>

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2022	12/2	1	5	5.0	0.4	0	5-LSU	5-LSU
2023	13/13	2	13	6.5	1.0	0	8-UGA	8-UGA
2024	4/3	1	-7	-7.0	-1.8	0	--	--
<b>Career</b>	<b>29/18</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2.8</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8-UGA</b>	<b>8-UGA</b>

Punt Returns	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2022	2	43	21.5	3.6	0	23-AKR	23-AKR
2023	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	--	--
2024	7	112	16.0	28.0	0	31-NCST	58-NCST
<b>Career</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>15.5</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>31-NCST</b>	<b>58-NCST</b>

**GAME-BY-GAME**

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	PR-Yds-TD, Lg
*Chattanooga	2-22-0, 11	1-20-0
vs. NC State	2-67-0, 45	3-58-0, 31
*Kent State	1-19-0, 19	1-22-0, 22
*at Oklahoma	3-13-0, 14	2-12-0, 8

2023 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	PR-Yds-TD, Lg
*vs. Virginia	6-45-0, 16	0-0-0
*Austin Peay	4-30-0, 20	0-0-0
*at Florida	3-68-0, 41	0-0-0
*UTSA	4-29-0, 11	0-0-0
*South Carolina	9-104-0, 50	1-5-0, 5
*Texas A&M	3-29-0, 17	0-0-0
*at Alabama	10-111-1, 39	0-0-0
*at Kentucky	4-46-0, 25	0-0-0
*UConn	2-94-1, 83	0-0-0
*at Missouri	4-53-0, 23	0-0-0
*Georgia	5-45-0, 19	1-8-0, 8
*Vanderbilt	10-110-0, 27	0-0-0
*vs. Iowa	3-39-0, 18	1-0-0, 0

2022 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	PR-Yds-TD, Lg
Ball State	3-25-0, 14	0-0-0
at Pitt	0-0-0	0-0-0
Akron	1-47-0, 47	1-23-0, 23
Florida	0-0-0	0-0-0
at LSU	1-1-0, 1	0-0-0
Alabama		DNP
UT Martin	5-122-1, 64	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0	0-0-0
Missouri	2-64-0, 58	0-0-0
at South Carolina	5-96-0, 64	0-0-0
*at Vanderbilt	4-18-0, 9	1-20-0, 20
* vs. Clemson	9-108-1, 50	0-0-0

\* - denotes started



2024 ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Cl.	Exp.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School/Previous School
0	Ethan Davis	TE	R-FR	RS	6-5	246	Atlanta, Ga./Collins Hill
0	William Wright	DB	R-SR	2L	6-0	198	Nashville, Tenn./Ensworth
1	Rickey Gibson III	DB	SO	1L	6-0	185	Trussville, Ala./Hewitt-Trussville
1	Dont'e Thornton Jr.	WR	SR	1L	6-5	214	Baltimore, Md./Mount Saint Joseph/Oregon
2	Andre Turrentine	DB	R-JR	2L	5-11	195	Nashville, Tenn./Ensworth/Ohio State
3	Jermod McCoy	DB	SO	TR	6-0	193	Whitehouse, Texas/Whitehouse/Oregon State
3	Squirrel White	WR	JR	2L	5-10	167	Birmingham, Ala./Clay-Chalkville
4	Jourdan Thomas	DB	JR	2L	6-2	205	Montgomery, Ala./Montgomery Catholic Prep
5	Christian Harrison	DB	R-SO	2L	6-1	191	Atlanta, Ga./Woodward Academy
5	Bru McCoy	WR	R-SR*	2L	6-3	230	Rolling Hills Estates, Calif./Mater Dei/Southern Cal
6	Jalen McMurray	DB	R-JR	TR	6-0	187	Upper Marlboro, Md./Gonzaga College HS/Temple
6	Dylan Sampson	RB	JR	2L	5-11	201	Baton Rouge, La./Dutchtown
7	Arion Carter	LB	SO	1L	6-1	234	Smyrna, Tenn./Smyrna
8	Nico lamaleava	QB	R-FR	1L	6-6	215	Long Beach, Calif./Warren
8	Kalib Perry	LB	JR	2L	6-3	231	Georgetown, Ky./Great Crossing
9	Jakobe Thomas	DB	R-JR	TR	6-2	200	Tullahoma, Tenn./Tullahoma/MTSU
10	Mike Matthews	WR	FR	HS	6-1	197	Lilburn, Ga./Parkview
10	Elijah Simmons	DL	R-SR*	4L	6-2	340	Memphis, Tenn./Pearl-Cohn (Nashville, Tenn.)
11	Chas Nimrod	WR	R-SO	2L	6-3	202	Bentonville, Ark./Bentonville
11	Keenan Pili	LB	R-SR*	1L	6-3	240	Las Vegas, Nev./Timpview/BYU
12	Jake Merklinger	QB	FR	HS	6-3	215	Savannah, Ga./Calvary Day School
12	John Slaughter	DB	SO	1L	6-2	195	Clarksdale, Miss./Southaven
13	Gaston Moore	QB	R-SR	3L	6-2	212	Hilton Head, S.C./Hilton Head/UCF
13	Edwin Spillman	LB	FR	HS	6-1	234	Nashville, Tenn./Lipscomb Academy
14	Christian Charles	DB	R-JR	3L	6-1	200	Gainesville, Ga./Chestatee
14	Braylon Staley	WR	FR	HS	6-0	190	Aiken, S.C./Strom Thurmond
15	Ryan Damron	QB	R-FR	RS	6-0	205	Paris, Tenn./Henry County
15	Edrees Farooq	DB	FR	HS	6-0	200	Columbia, Md./Saint Frances Academy
17	Chris Brazzell II	WR	R-SO	TR	6-5	200	Midland, Texas/Midland Legacy/Tulane
18	DeSean Bishop	RB	R-FR	RS	5-10	200	Knoxville, Tenn./Karns
18	Tyree Weathersby	DL	R-FR	RS	6-5	272	Douglasville, Ga./New Manchester
19	Joshua Josephs	DL	JR	2L	6-3	245	Kennesaw, Ga./North Cobb
19	Holden Staes	TE	JR	TR	6-4	248	Atlanta, Ga./Westminster School/Notre Dame
20	Bryson Eason	DL	R-SR	4L	6-3	310	Memphis, Tenn./Whitehaven
20	Khalifa Keith	RB	SO	1L	6-1	239	Birmingham, Ala./Parker
21	Navy Shuler	QB	R-SR	2L	6-0	203	Waynesville, N.C./Christ School/Appalachian State
21	Omari Thomas	DL	SR*	4L	6-4	325	Memphis, Tenn./Briarcrest Christian
22	Jeremiah Telander	LB	SO	1L	6-2	238	Gainesville, Ga./Gainesville
23	Boo Carter	DB	FR	HS	5-11	195	Chattanooga, Tenn./Bradley Central
23	Cameron Seldon	RB	SO	1L	6-2	222	Browns Store, Va./Northumberland
24	Hunter Barnes	RB	R-SO	SQ	6-0	196	Memphis, Tenn./Memphis School
24	Jordan Matthews	DB	R-FR	1L	6-2	182	Baton Rouge, La./Woodlawn
25	Kaleb Beasley	DB	FR	HS	6-1	200	Nashville, Tenn./Lipscomb Academy
26	Carson Whitehead	WR	R-SO	1L	5-10	178	Powell, Tenn./Powell
27	Peyton Lewis	RB	FR	HS	6-1	210	Salem, Va./Salem
27	James Pearce Jr.	DL	JR	2L	6-5	243	Charlotte, N.C./Chambers
28	Marcus Goree Jr.	DB	FR	HS	6-1	185	Chattanooga, Tenn./Bradley Central
28	Patrick Wilk	RB	R-JR	3L	5-11	203	Nashville, Tenn./Montgomery Bell Academy
29	Jack-Henry Jakobik	WR	R-FR	RS	6-3	195	Brentwood, Tenn./Ravenwood
29	Jordan Ross	DL	FR	HS	6-5	245	Vestavia Hills, Ala./Vestavia Hills
30	Jamal Wallace	DL	JR	JC	6-3	317	Kansas City, Mo./Ruskin/Sierra College
30	Tommy Winton III	WR	R-SO	TR	5-10	196	Knoxville, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic/ETSU
31	Caleb Herring	DL	SO	1L	6-5	249	Newnan, Ga./Riverdale (Tenn.)
31	Jackson Locke	WR	R-JR	SQ	6-0	175	Granville, Ohio/Newark/Findlay
33	Ben Bolton	LB	R-SO	2L	6-3	233	Memphis, Tenn./Lausanne Collegiate School
35	Will Brooks	DB	R-SR	3L	6-1	206	Birmingham, Ala./Vestavia Hills
36	Nathan Roberts	WR	R-FR	RS	6-4	212	Morristown, Tenn./Morristown-Hamblen East
37	Montrell Bandy	DB	R-JR	SQ	6-3	194	Mount Juliet, Tenn./Mount Juliet
38	Andre Stewart	DB	R-SO	TR	6-0	185	Kennesaw, Ga./North Cobb/Towson
39	Malcolm Kinzer	WR	FR	HS	6-2	185	Parker, Colo./Ponderosa
39	Jalen Smith	LB	R-FR	1L	6-2	230	Grayson, Ga./Grayson
40	Colin Brazzell	DB	FR	HS	6-1	170	Midland, Texas/Midland Legacy
41	JT Carver	PK	R-JR	2L	5-11	213	Martin, Tenn./Westview
42	Braylon Harmon	WR	FR	HS	5-9	180	Sevierville, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic
42	Tyre West	DL	JR	2L	6-3	290	Tifton, Ga./Tifton County
43	Jackson Mathews	DB	FR	HS	6-0	190	Franklin, Tenn./Christ Presbyterian Academy
44	Steele Katina	DB	FR	HS	6-1	187	Thompson's Station, Tenn./Independence
44	Luke Shouse	TE	R-SR	1L	6-6	250	Nolensville, Tenn./Ravenwood/Ole Miss
46	Cody Duncan	LB	R-JR	1L	6-1	242	Knoxville, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic/Virginia Tech
47	Matthew Salansky	LS	R-SR*	4L	5-11	250	Morristown, Tenn./Morristown West
48	Bennett Brady	LS	R-SO	1L	6-1	211	Memphis, Tenn./Evangelical Christian
50	William Satterwhite	OL	FR	HS	6-3	300	Barberton, Ohio/Archbishop Hoban
50	Ryan Scott	LB	FR	HS	6-0	204	Knoxville, Tenn./West

ALPHABETICAL

No.	Name	Pos.
59	Tim Amet	DL
71	Max Anderson	OL
90	Dominic Bailey	DL
37	Montrell Bandy	DB
24	Hunter Barnes	RB
25	Kaleb Beasley	DB
89	Mike Bethea II	DL
18	DeSean Bishop	RB
33	Ben Bolton	LB
58	Marshall Box	LS
17	Chris Brazzell II	WR
40	Colin Brazzell	DB
35	Will Brooks	DB
88	Charlie Browder	TE
54	Jordan Burns	LB
64	Ayden Bussell	OL
74	John Campbell Jr.	OL
7	Arion Carter	LB
23	Boo Carter	DB
41	JT Carver	PK
14	Christian Charles	DB
15	Ryan Damron	QB
66	Dayne Davis	OL
0	Ethan Davis	TE
46	Cody Duncan	LB
65	Trevor Duncan	OL
20	Bryson Eason	DL
15	Edrees Farooq	DB
95	Carson Gentle	DL
1	Rickey Gibson III	DB
90	Max Gilbert	PK
78	Gage Ginther	OL
28	Marcus Goree Jr.	DB
73	Brian Grant	OL
58	Herb Gray	DL
42	Braylon Harmon	WR
5	Christian Harrison	DB
86	Cole Harrison	TE
60	Jeremias Heard	OL
53	Lance Heard	OL
87	Joshua Helsdon	DL
31	Caleb Herring	DL
69	Gus Hill	OL
53	Daevin Hobbs	DL
8	Nico lamaleava	QB
96	Isaiah Inge	DL
29	Jack-Henry Jakobik	WR
97	Jayson Jenkins	DL
77	Larry Johnson III	OL
19	Joshua Josephs	DL
70	Andrej Karic	OL
44	Steele Katina	DB
20	Khalifa Keith	RB
39	Malcolm Kinzer	WR
87	Miles Kitselman	TE
75	Jackson Lampley	OL
54	Vysen Lang	OL
85	Nathan Leacock	WR
27	Peyton Lewis	RB
56	Kellen Lindstrom	DL
31	Jackson Locke	WR
43	Jackson Mathews	DB



