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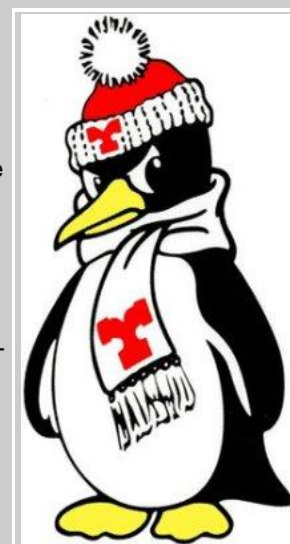
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Week 1 Recap

FBS upset counter:

McNeese State 27, Middle Tennessee 21
Eastern Washington 20, Idaho 3
Youngstown State 31, Pittsburgh 17
UT- Martin 20, Memphis 17

- McNeese State's first time playing Middle Tennessee
- Eastern Washington last played Idaho in 2003 and won, 8-5. The Eagles have a .562 winning percentage against WAC schools.
- Youngstown State's win was the first of the Missouri Valley Conference defeating Pittsburgh.
- UT-Martin avenges a 27 point loss to Memphis in 2009 and shock the Tigers.
- Hats off to a host of others who came close...Liberty (lost to Wake Forest 20-17), Indiana State (lost to Indiana 24-17), Northern Iowa (lost to Wisconsin 26-21), William & Mary (lost to Maryland 7-6), Wagner (lost to Florida Atlantic 7-3), and SE Missouri State (lost to Central Michigan 38-27).
- Largest margin of victory: 84 pts -Savannah State 0, Oklahoma State 84
- There were 5 games decided by 1-point
- # of scoreless games: 10
- The first OT game of the season: 4 Overtimes- Morgan State 30, Sacred Heart 27
- Game with highest attendance: South Dakota at Montana- 25,126



Youngstown State's 31-17 win over Pittsburgh made history

There are 26 FBS matchups for week 2. Here are a few with upset potential:

Illinois State at Eastern Michigan
Eastern Washington at Washington State
North Dakota State at Colorado State
UT-Martin at Northern Illinois
Eastern Illinois at Western Michigan
Stephen F. Austin at SMU

[Click here to see the other 20 FCS/FBS matchups for week 2](#)

Need stat proof to back up your FCS football debate? Visit ["FCS Hodge Podge"](#) to get quick facts!

The Top 25 Rankings for Week 1 are out. Here are the top 5:

1. Sam Houston State
2. North Dakota State
3. Georgia Southern
4. Montana State
5. James Madison

[Check out the other teams in the top 25 and other receiving votes](#)

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"Game of the Week"
Norfolk State at Liberty

This inner-state matchup should be a battle. Norfolk State's coming off their 1st MEAC conference ring and 1st post-season appearance last year. Liberty is coming off a near-upset win last week against ACC opponent, Wake Forest. Norfolk ranked #2 in total defense in the FCS last week, allowing 107 total yds. Liberty outgained Wake Forest 363 to 293 in net yards- rushed for 91 yds, and passed for 272. Solid offense versus solid defense. First year head coach, Turner Gill and the Flames will host the Spartans at a 7pm ET kickoff.

- Liberty leads the series, 3-1
- Last time these two played: Norfolk State won 34-17 on 11/19/2005
- Norfolk State has won only 1 non-conference FCS away game since joining the FCS in 1997

FCS LEADERBOARD

Total Individual Offense

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Tot Yds/G</u>
1	Taylor Heinicke	Old Dominion	530.00
2	Braden Smith	Campbell	378.00
3	Jimmy Garoppolo	Eastern Ill.	366.00
4	Kevin Yost	Idaho St.	365.00
5	Tre Lamb	Tennessee Tech	357.00

Total Team Offense

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Tot Yds/Game</u>
1	Old Dominion	723.00
2	James Madison	602.00
3	Montana	568.00
4	Ga. Southern	557.00
5	Tennessee Tech	548.00

Passing

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Completions/Game</u>
1	Kevin Yost	Idaho St.	41.00
-	Taylor Heinicke	Old Dominion	41.00
3	Kevin Watson	Holy Cross	33.00
4	Jimmy Garoppolo	Eastern Ill.	32.00
-	Jonathan Carkhuff	Davidson	32.00

Total Team Defense

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Total yds allowed</u>
1	North Dakota St.	88.00
2	Norfolk St.	107.00
3	Fordham	126.00
4	Montana St.	135.00
5	Illinois St.	138.00

[Click here to see where your FCS team ranks in these categories](#)

Trivia Results: Congrats to Doug Busby of Jackson, TN. The head coach with the highest winning percentage of all time amongst HBCU's is Alonzo "Jake" Gaither of Florida A&M at .844. Also, he is 8th on winningest coaches of all-time list (all Divisions) by percentage. (Note: Coach L.L. Pepin of Hampton went 6-0 or 100% for one season in 1913)

Trivia Question: What two FCS teams played in the first college football game ever held at the Louisiana Superdome and when?

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