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| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Week 8 recap      **Hats off to**....   * **14 FCS upsets to-date:**   Bethune-Cookman 34, FIU 13  Fordham 30, Temple 29  Chattanooga 42, Georgia State 14   |  | | --- | | http://ih.constantcontact.com/fs179/1106304554052/img/89.jpg | | **St. Francis Sr. RB, Kyle Harbridge leads the FCS with 171 rushing yards per game** |   Maine 24, UMass 14  Jacksonville St 32, Georgia St 26 OT  Nicholls 27, Western Michigan 23  Towson 33, UConn 18  Southern Utah 22, South Alabama 21  Samford 31, Georgia State 21  North Dakota State 24, Kansas State 21  Eastern Washington 49, Oregon State 46  McNeese State 53, South Florida 21  Northern Iowa 28, Iowa State 20  Eastern Illinois 40, San Diego State 19     * As highlighted as week 8's "Game of the Week", **McNeese State** held the FCS' top total yards rusher, Tim Flanders, to 22 yards and upset #2 Sam Houston State, 31-23. * **South Dakota** broke a 5 game losing-streak to Northern Iowa and pulled off the upset over the #11 Panthers in 2 OT, 38-31. First time winning in the UNI Dome since 1980. * **Missouri State** went in at halftime up 20-0 and went on to defeat #15 South Dakota State at home, 35-21. The Bears broke a 5 game skid to SDSU and got their first ever win against the Jackrabbits. * **Bucknell** got their first road win against Dartmouth, 17-14 and first win against them since 1989. * **Penn**'s 21-7 win over Columbia is currently **the FCS' longest most consecutive win over an opponent in an uninterrupted series** (16 straight). * **Rhode Island** kicked 4 FG's to knock off Richmond, 12-10. It was their first home win against the Spiders since 1990. * **Largest margin of victory:  41 pts-  Illinois State 55, Indiana State 14** * **# of shut-outs:  None** * **# of OT games:  4** * **Largest accumulative attendance in 2013:  James Madison- 107,349**     **Did You Know?**   * Grambling State's scheduled matchup against SWAC opponent, Jackson State in Kansas City, MO last Saturday ended up in a forfeit, as the Grambling players refused to play. This is the **first time in SWAC history that a member school has forfeited a game**.   [Check out the letter that the football team wrote to the Grambling Athletic Department](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Lwt86o-01HvEIzVXAQVzf7CeUh_8A4BvsDg7FUcGaMi6cUPnP5UEPU8FvwhZW929HPeZwXnFeGkxwlU6FaDgAzQHHtFbImgYRKIcXE3n7vHYrgVRQj1LSqyloWssL7uFbCT78Ir6ll-GLzkspmZviFQ0Ql5TDFh9PPlazKYWZwfOgpPLlpY_6umEBIKhn6WKX2Fu87xn_uJJbKFuUsWc4-Mrgd_60Vc94SBW0snPDZzsFye3IEcakw==&c=o1aYDtpToRWcLprxE2OsECmjpXZBpNeZKNbbXWP79O1ckuVZVI99tA==&ch=YlCuJ-mhY3FNKNFgiKVgOWL0Hoc9my17PLOW7DxBvp0RI_DJwJFNNQ==)   * In week 6, the Penn/Dartmouth game went to 4 OT's with Penn winning, 37-31. That was the **longest game ever played in Ivy League history** at 3 hours, 49 minutes.     Mike Kern of the Missouri Valley Conference kicked off the [FCSInsider](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Lwt86o-01HvEIzVXAQVzf7CeUh_8A4BvsDg7FUcGaMi6cUPnP5UEPU8FvwhZW929d42ErSLDkGzSGoeaTS2I7G1Z6Vum2D925203G2KMxGxj2UAl_u3jk2JK71FihHzlpHFXztdKp3XRe0EeUwf1nCbeV8eNexuyM7ht4mmofko=&c=o1aYDtpToRWcLprxE2OsECmjpXZBpNeZKNbbXWP79O1ckuVZVI99tA==&ch=YlCuJ-mhY3FNKNFgiKVgOWL0Hoc9my17PLOW7DxBvp0RI_DJwJFNNQ==) last week, covering FCS football. Check it out!        **FCS TOP 25 POLLS**    The Sports Network TOP 5:    1. North Dakota State  2. Eastern Illinois  3. Eastern Washington  4. McNeese State  5. Montana State    [**See the rest of The Sports Network TOP 25 FCS Rankings**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Lwt86o-01HvEIzVXAQVzf7CeUh_8A4BvsDg7FUcGaMi6cUPnP5UEPa9nULLV6EZwTyk4dt1ysWAUFW8e6WWuWGlgAR7WsR_US84iSJo0Nf4j1wu62ABs6mJH-NR081eZPF-KURcQCGbKnw82fSclO7UgI7y72AxyaZNY1kKh_QeKNDW5rRDaafOd_MbvrL-ibSj-Juo0UnSr2r_qj9PWzY5TED_ZAhqaztVSHHN4h5M9JZc0tFUNt15m6QJc1ucAWe7s6wTX0vwplAv1NBgbh-WaG38pDXHd&c=o1aYDtpToRWcLprxE2OsECmjpXZBpNeZKNbbXWP79O1ckuVZVI99tA==&ch=YlCuJ-mhY3FNKNFgiKVgOWL0Hoc9my17PLOW7DxBvp0RI_DJwJFNNQ==)    FCS Coaches TOP 5    1. North Dakota State  2. Eastern Illinois  3. Coastal Carolina  4. Eastern Washington  5. Montana State    [**See the rest of the FCS Coaches TOP 25 Rankings**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Lwt86o-01HvEIzVXAQVzf7CeUh_8A4BvsDg7FUcGaMi6cUPnP5UEPRv-ecn6hy8qOn-QJ_xVoheJJqcTR8U50qCyD0a5B36d2QSv1S_IQbN8188ptWqgK7_1LW98XGzuMDYWB29jeffCU_qVDk7hfqQI5fIzcaBVvV43GBHYs2JLNzpGJ7EKT6XLvkYZ5XE4XzNA_CM5GMk=&c=o1aYDtpToRWcLprxE2OsECmjpXZBpNeZKNbbXWP79O1ckuVZVI99tA==&ch=YlCuJ-mhY3FNKNFgiKVgOWL0Hoc9my17PLOW7DxBvp0RI_DJwJFNNQ==)    The Underdawg FCS TOP Dawgs    1. North Dakota State  2. Eastern Illinois  3. Eastern Washington  4. Fordham  5. Maine |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Week 9**   * All games are on Saturday, 10/26 * 2 FBS matchups: **Furman at LSU; Abilene Christian at New Mexico State**       **GAME OF THE WEEK**      SC State at #14 Bethune-Cookman    This game will determine the 2013 MEAC champion, hands-down. Another "Cat" and "Dog" fight of the top two in the conference. Five of the last 10 years have had either of these teams as MEAC champs, and barring any crazy turnarounds between now and end of season, it's destined to come down to these two once more. SC State leads the series 31-20-1 dating back to 1956 and have won 6 of the last 10 meetings. Coach Brian Jenkins and the Wildcats are looking for their first home (Daytona Beach, Fl) win against the Bulldogs since 2003. Both teams are currently ranked in the **top 5 in FCS total defense**- **SC State at #3** holding opponents to 272 yds per game; **Bethune-Cookman at #5** holding opponents to 281 yds per game. It's gonna be on in Daytona on Saturday! Kickoff is 4pm ET at Municipal Stadium.          **FCS LEADERBOARD**  (source: [NCAA.com](http://ncaa.com/))    Passing Yards     | **Rank** | **Name** | **Team** | **Pass Yds** | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 1 | Jimmy Garoppolo | Eastern Ill. | 2735 | | 2 | Michael Nebrich | Fordham | 2587 | | 3 | Brandon Bialkowski | Lehigh | 2473 | | 4 | Brady Attaway | Stephen F. Austin | 2393 | | 5 | Justin Arias | Idaho St. | 2352 | | 6 | Vernon Adams | Eastern Wash. | 2189 | | 7 | Jerry Lovelocke | Prairie View | 2184 |       Total Offense (individual)     | **Rank** | **Name** | **Team** | **YPG** | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 1 | Jimmy Garoppolo | Eastern Ill. | 394.9 | | 2 | Michael Nebrich | Fordham | 373.8 | | 3 | Brandon Bialkowski | Lehigh | 358.9 | | 4 | Vernon Adams | Eastern Wash. | 358.1 | | 5 | Brady Attaway | Stephen F. Austin | 336.6 | | 6 | Jeff Mathews | Cornell | 332.4 | | 7 | Wynrick Smothers | Central Ark. | 324.8 |        Total Offense (team)     | **Rank** | **Team** | **YPG** | | --- | --- | --- | | 1 | Eastern Ill. | 595.6 | | 2 | Stephen F. Austin | 563.7 | | 3 | Portland St. | 537.0 | | - | Princeton | 537.0 | | 5 | Fordham | 512.6 | | 6 | Eastern Wash. | 497.9 | | 7 | Jacksonville | 496.6 |        Total Defense     | **Rank** | **Team** | **YPG** | | --- | --- | --- | | 1 | North Dakota St. | 257.9 | | 2 | Tennessee St. | 264.0 | | 3 | South Carolina St. | 271.9 | | 4 | Alabama A&M | 278.0 | | 5 | Bethune-Cookman | 280.6 | | 6 | South Dakota | 298.7 | | 7 | Chattanooga | 301.6 |         [**Click here to see where your FCS team ranks**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Lwt86o-01HvEIzVXAQVzf7CeUh_8A4BvsDg7FUcGaMi6cUPnP5UEPfy_HdkW3HsJRow6sVBqeMDRJ-cY619Z4reI__INvXMTlwx9bOybFKGfugSFzGxky3q1VPFOcu4hdHLdUxrjrESfBdjuCYTuCi2CloWpmfPq7ljLDeAc9pNi1N_7f4jFLh5blLUOeOAOjK7zdAJ9giI=&c=o1aYDtpToRWcLprxE2OsECmjpXZBpNeZKNbbXWP79O1ckuVZVI99tA==&ch=YlCuJ-mhY3FNKNFgiKVgOWL0Hoc9my17PLOW7DxBvp0RI_DJwJFNNQ==) | |
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| |  | | --- | | **Trivia Answer:**   Thanks to Danny Grover of Aiken, SC for answering last week's trivia. The FCS team with the most shut out wins in a single season was SC State with 5 shut-outs in 1978.    **Trivia Question**:  Many of you may know the most points scored in all of college football was 222 points by Ga Tech against Cumberland (TN) in 1916. What FCS team scored the most points and when was it?    **Do you need sports information research to boost your marketing or advertising media?**  **The Underdawg can provide unique solutions to fit your needs.** [**Click here to inquire**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Lwt86o-01HvEIzVXAQVzf7CeUh_8A4BvsDg7FUcGaMi6cUPnP5UEPf5I81vCEJVb2R1wVGe2Q-C1o8b2RTvTef7nf_5pHE8jElLDA6x0kDcjPX0-vvhxcsGGL1Jz6ECIoEdRauXQnCyovcWl0FW-56SCRN5Y0PIsnqNZz3EtdvQACKp77gkBtqWmtMxfAbgfrWvJJkml_9w=&c=o1aYDtpToRWcLprxE2OsECmjpXZBpNeZKNbbXWP79O1ckuVZVI99tA==&ch=YlCuJ-mhY3FNKNFgiKVgOWL0Hoc9my17PLOW7DxBvp0RI_DJwJFNNQ==)    [**Enter your trivia answer**](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Lwt86o-01HvEIzVXAQVzf7CeUh_8A4BvsDg7FUcGaMi6cUPnP5UEPf5I81vCEJVb2R1wVGe2Q-C1o8b2RTvTef7nf_5pHE8jElLDA6x0kDcjPX0-vvhxcsGGL1Jz6ECIoEdRauXQnCyovcWl0FW-56SCRN5Y0PIsnqNZz3EtdvQACKp77gkBtqWmtMxfAbgfrWvJJkml_9w=&c=o1aYDtpToRWcLprxE2OsECmjpXZBpNeZKNbbXWP79O1ckuVZVI99tA==&ch=YlCuJ-mhY3FNKNFgiKVgOWL0Hoc9my17PLOW7DxBvp0RI_DJwJFNNQ==) **here. Trivia answer and winner will be announced on the next digest.** | |  |  |