

2004 FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL QUICK FACTS

GENERAL

City/Zip: Big Rapids, Michigan 49307-2741
Founded: 1884
Enrollment: 11,822
Nickname/School Colors: Bulldogs/Crimson and Gold
Stadium: Top Taggart Field
Capacity/Year Built: 6,200/1957
Surface: Artificial Turf (AstroTurf 12)
Affiliation/Conference: NCAA II/Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic (GLIAC)
President: Dr. David L. Eisler (Michigan, 1972)
Athletics Director: Tom Kirinovic (Ferris State, 1977)
Assistant Athletics Director: Brian Kegler (Northern Iowa, 1998)
Coordinator of Records and NCAA: Carma Burcham
Athletics Faculty Representative: Terry Nerbonne
Athletics Department Phone/FAX: (231) 591-2860/591-2869

HISTORY

First Year Of Football/All-Time Playoff Record: 5-5/1900
Years In Post-Season Play/Last Post-Season Appearance: 5/1996
Result: Lost, 23-21 to Clarion (Pa.) in NCAA II Quarterfinals
All-Time Record: 336-378-40 (.472 winning pct.)

ATHLETICS COMMUNICATIONS

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COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Jeff Pierce
Alma Mater/Year Graduated: Ferris State/1979
Year Entering/FSU Record (Career): 10th/60-39-0 (60-39-0)
Office Phone/E-Mail: (231) 591-2864/piercej@ferris.edu
Day to Reach Coach/Best Time/: Mon.-Thur./9-11 a.m. (ET)
Assistant Coaches:
Duane Wilson (Western Michigan 1983), Assistant Head Coach,
Defensive Coordinator, Linebackers
Matt McCarthy (Ferris State 1999), Offensive Coordinator,
Quarterbacks & Wide Receivers
Ken Conlin (South Dakota 1997), Offensive Line & Tight Ends
Joe Curry (St. Francis, Ill. 2001), Defensive Line
Amp Campbell (Michigan State 1999), Defensive Backs,
Special Teams & Recruiting Coordinator
Rick Williams (Michigan State 1977), Kickers & Punters
Graduate Assistant Coach: Kyle Park (Ferris State, 2001)
Student Assistant Coaches: Doug Wing, Andy Szatkowski, Kirk Long,
Vito Ciarameallano
Head Athletics Trainer: Dave Lucey, ATC
Assistant Athletics Trainers: Tim Glover, ATC; Michael Blackburn, ATC
Equipment Manager: Ben Mumah, E.M.,C.

TEAM INFORMATION

2003 Overall Record: 6-5 (3-2 home, 3-3 road)
2003 GLIAC Record/Place: 5-5/4thT
Final Ranking: None
Basic Offensive System/Defensive System: Pro-I/4-3
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 37/18
Offense: 18/8
Defense: 18/7
Specialty: 1/3
Starters Returning/Lost: 15/10
Offense: 7/4
Defense: 7/4
Specialty: 1/2
RETURNING OFFENSIVE STARTERS:
Tom Marsan, QB, 6-3, 195, Sr.
Andy Thwaites, FL, 6-2, 185, Sr.
Carlton Brewster, SE, 5-11, 200, Jr.

Brandis Bowie, 5-10, 187, Jr.
Jeff Williams, RG, 6-2, 298, Jr.
Gino D'Agostino, LG, 6-3, 327, Sr.
Kevin Park, LT, 6-8, 298, Sr.

RETURNING DEFENSIVE STARTERS:

Whitney Bell, DT, 6-2, 284, Sr.
Jesse Schnitker, DE, 6-2, 255, Sr.
John Hazle, DE, 6-2, 240, Sr.
Rob Mida, OLB, 6-2, 225, Sr.
Kevin Myers, OLB, 5-11, 210, Sr.
Jim Skodak, CB, 6-0, 198, Jr.
Ryan Carruthers, CB, 5-8, 180, Sr.

RETURNING SPECIALIST STARTERS:

Matt Desmarais, LS, 6-2, 276, Sr.

ALL-STAR CANDIDATES:

Kevin Myers – 2003 All-GLIAC First Team, 2003 American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) All-American, 2003 *Associated Press* Little All-American, 2003 D2Football.com All-America Honorable Mention, 2003 Daktronics All-America Second Team, 2003 *Football Gazette* All-America Second Team, 2003 D2Football.com NE Region First Team, 2003 Daktronics NE Region First Team, 2003 *Football Gazette* NE Region First Team, 2002 All-GLIAC Second Team
Whitney Bell – 2003 All-GLIAC First Team, 2003 *Football Gazette* All-America Second Team, 2003 *Football Gazette* NE Region First Team
Carlton Brewster – 2003 All-GLIAC Second Team
John Hazle – 2003 All-GLIAC Second Team
Rob Mida – 2003 All-GLIAC Honorable Mention
Jesse Schnitker – 2003 All-GLIAC Honorable Mention
Jim Skodak – 2003 All-GLIAC Honorable Mention
Jeff Williams – 2002 All-GLIAC Honorable Mention

KEY LOSSES:

Derek Fudge, TB – 2003 All-GLIAC First Team, 2003 D2Football.com NE Region Honorable Mention, 2002 & 2000 All-GLIAC Second Team, 2000 GLIAC Freshman of the Year
Luke Piepkow, MLB – 2003 & 2002 All-GLIAC Second Team, 2003 FSU Most Valuable Player, 2001 All-GLIAC Honorable Mention
Matt McCoy, RT – 2003 All-GLIAC Second Team, 2002 All-GLIAC Honorable Mention
Vito Ciarameallano, SS – 2003 All-GLIAC Second Team, 2002 All-GLIAC Honorable Mention

TOP 2003 STATISTICAL LEADERS: (Returning Players in Bold)

RUSHING – Derek Fudge, 11 GP, 260 attempts, 1,232 yds., 4.7 ypa., 14 TD, long 87 yds., 112.0 ypg; **Andrew Terry**, 11 GP, 34 attempts, 206 yds., 6.1 ypa., 0 TD, long 31 yds., 18.7 ypg.; **Tom Marsan**, 11 GP, 71 attempts, 169 yds., 2.4 ypa., 3 TD, long 27 yds., 15.4 ypg.

PASSING – **Tom Marsan**, 11 GP, 182 cmp., 329 att., 55.3 comp%, 12 int, 1,983 yds., 12 TD, long 58 yds., 110.69 efficiency rating, 10.9 ypa., 180.3 ypg.

RECEIVING – **Carlton Brewster**, 11 GP, 66 rec., 745 yds., 11.3 ypc., 8 TD, long 54 yds., 67.7 ypg.; **Brandis Bowie**, 11 GP, 39 rec., 473 yds., 12.1 ypc., 2 TD, long 33 yds., 43.0 ypg.; Derek Fudge, 11 GP, 32 rec., 163 yds., 5.1 ypc., 1 TD, long 17 yds., 14.8 ypg.; **Andy Thwaites**, 10 GP, 23 rec., 220 yds., 9.6 ypc., 0 TD, long 19 yds., 22.0 ypg.

TACKLES – **Kevin Myers**, 11 GP, 87 solo, 54 assists, 141 total, 8.5 TFL for 15 yds., 1.0 sacks for 5 yds., 3 int for 16 yds., 5 PBU, 2 FR for 47 yds., 5 FF; Luke Piepkow, 11 GP, 66 solo, 66 assists, 132 total, 6.5 TFL for 38 yds., 4.5 sacks for 35 yds., 2 PBU, 4 FR for 34 yds., 1 FF; **Whitney Bell**, 10 GP, 64 solo, 35 assists, 99 total, 16.5 TFL for 47 yds., 7.0 sacks for 33 yds., 1 int for 13 yds., 4 PBU, 1 FR for 0 yds., 3 FF; Rich Dosh, 11 GP, 51 solo, 48 assists, 99 total, 1.5 TFL for 10 yds., 1.5 sacks for 10 yds., 0 FR for 0 yds., 0 FF; Vito Ciarameallano, 11 GP, 55 solo, 36 assists, 91 total, 1.0 TFL for 1 yds., 1.0 sacks for 1 yd., 2 int for 21 yds., 5 PBU, 1 FR for 0 yds., 1 FF; **Rob Mida**, 11 GP, 39 solo, 49 assists, 88 total, 11.0 TFL for 69 yds., 5.5 sacks for 53 yds., 2 PBU, 2 FR for 31 yds., 3 FF; **John Hazle**, 11 GP, 39 solo, 38 assists, 77 total, 17.5 TFL for 93 yds., 11.0 sacks for 77 yds., 3 FF.

PUNTING – Tim Gill, 11 GP, 37.1 punting avg., 66 att., 2,446 yds., long 56 yds., 14 Inside 20

KICKING – Tom Perez, 11 GP, 8-13 FG, long 39 yds., 20-24 extra pts., 44 pts.

PUNT RETURNS – **Carlton Brewster**, 11 GP, 20 returns, 177 yds., 1 TD, long 65 yds., 8.9 ypr.

KICKOFF RETURNS – **Carlton Brewster**, 11 GP, 25 returns, 420 yds., 0 TD, long 43 yds., 16.8 ypr.