

FERRIS STATE FOOTBALL QUICK FACTS

Location: Big Rapids, Michigan 49307
Founded: 1884
Enrollment: 10,930
Nickname: Bulldogs
Colors: Crimson and Gold
Affiliation: NCAA Division II
Conference: Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic (GLIAC)
President: Dr. William A. Sederburg
Alma Mater: Minnesota State, Mankato, 1969
Athletics Director: Tom Kirinovic (Ferris State, 1977)
Assistant Athletics Director: Brian Kegler (Northern Iowa, 1998)
Athletics Department Office: (231) 591-2860
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Assistant Registrar (Athletics): Carma Burcham
Faculty Athletics Representative: Mark Kosciuszko
Head Coach: Jeff Pierce
Alma Mater: Ferris State, 1979
Year Entering/Record (FSU/Career): 8th/49-29-0 (49-29-0)
Office Phone/E-Mail: (231) 591-2864/piercej@ferris.edu
Best Time/Day to Reach Coach Pierce: 9-11 a.m./Mon.-Thur.
Assistant Coaches: **Duane Wilson** (Assistant Head Coach, Defensive Coordinator, Linebackers); **Matt McCarthy** (Offensive Coordinator, Quarterbacks, Wide Receivers & Running Backs); **Ken Conlin** (Offensive Line, Tight Ends, Recruiting Coordinator); **Darrell Perkins** (Defensive Backs, Special Teams); **Joe Curry** (Defensive Line); **Rick Williams** (Kickers & Punters)
Graduate Assistant Coach: Shawn Williams
Student Assistant Coaches: Ryan Hodges, Lamar Patterson, Charlie Pierson
Athletics Trainers: Dave Lucey, A.T.C.; Tim Glover, A.T.C.
Equipment Manager: Ben Mumah, E.M., C.
Assistant Equipment Manager: John Whitford, E.M., C.
Home Field (Capacity/Year Built): Top Taggart Field (6,200/1957)
Field Surface: Artificial Turf (AstroTurf 12)
Press Box Phone: (231) 591-2217/2143
2001 Overall Record: 7-4 (4-1 home, 3-3 road)
2001 Conference Record (Finish): 7-3 (3rd) (4-1 home, 3-2 road)
Offensive System/Defensive System: Pro-I/4-3
Letterwinners Returning: 37 (Offense-15, Defense-20, Specialty-2)
Letterwinners Lost: 19 (Offense-9, Defense-9, Specialty-1)
Offensive Starters Returning/Lost: 8/3
Defensive Starters Returning/Lost: 6/5
First Year of Football: 1900
All-Time Record: 325-368-40 (.471 winning pct.)
All-Time Bowl/Playoff Record: 5-5
Years in Post-Season Play: 5
Last Post-Season Appearance: 1996
Result: Quarterfinals – Lost to Clarion, Pa. (23-21)
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ON THE COVER: The 2002 Ferris State Football Yearbook front cover features free safety Alvin Crier, defensive tackle Bo Moore, cornerback DeRen Ellis, middle linebacker Luke Piepkow, tackle Justin Giordano and tailback Derek Fudge. The back cover showcases outside linebacker Adam Riley, fullback Brad Newell, quarterback Tom Marsan, defensive end Michael King and defensive tackle Jason Feasel.

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FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY ATHLETICS

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 OFFICIAL WEBSITE: www.ferris.edu/sports

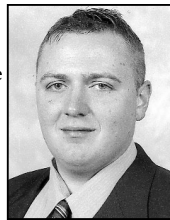
MEDIA SERVICES

GENERAL SERVICES

Your hosts at Top Taggart Field and for all Ferris State University Athletics events is **Joe Gorby**, athletics communications director, and **Rob Bentley**, assistant athletics communications director. Depth charts, rosters, souvenir programs and game notes will be available prior to each game with a complete statistical package provided upon the contest's conclusion. Complimentary beverages and food will be served.



JOE GORBY



ROB BENTLEY

PRESS BOX

Ferris State's working facilities are located on the third level of the Wheeler Pavilion, which is on west side of Top Taggart Field. **A reminder**

that no cheering will be tolerated in the press box area.

CREDENTIALS

Scouting and media credentials must be reserved in advance by contacting the FSU Athletics Communications Office. Upon acceptance, appropriate credentials will be held for pick-up at the ticket booth located on the west side of the Wheeler Pavilion. No one will be admitted to the press box who isn't in an official capacity.

INTERVIEWS

Ferris State student-athletes and coaches will be available for interviews no earlier than 10-15 minutes following the game's conclusion. Interviews will be conducted on the third level of the Wheeler Pavilion. Interviews with student-athletes during the week, whether in person or by telephone, should be arranged through the FSU Athletics Communications Office as far in advance as possible, to fit around practice and class schedules. Head coach Jeff Pierce may be reached at (231) 591-2864 between 9-11 a.m. (ET), Monday through Thursday.

