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2023 Weekly Report Week 12: Games of Nov. 18

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CURRENT STANDINGS

				PFL						0	VERAI	LL			
Team	W-L	PCT	PF	PA	Н	Α	STR	W-L	PCT	PF	PA	Н	A/N	STR	PREVIOUS WEEK
x-Drake	7-0	1.000	172	88	4-0	3-0	W10	7-3	.700	210	240	4-1	3-2	W7	W, 16-14 vs. Presbyterian
Davidson	6-1	.857	304	224	3-0	3-1	L1	7-3	.700	426	275	4-1	3-2	L1	L, 17-47 at Morehead State
e-St. Thomas	6-1	.857	200	138	3-0	3-1	W3	7-3	.700	249	233	4-0	3-3	W3	W, 20-14 at San Diego
Butler	5-2	.714	201	111	2-1	3-1	W3	7-3	.700	309	180	4-1	3-2	W3	Off Week
Marist	4-4	.500	163	223	2-2	2-2	L3	4-6	.400	170	288	2-2	2-4	L3	L, 6-35 at Dayton
Morehead State	3-4	.429	157	162	2-2	1-2	W1	3-7	.300	216	287	3-2	1-4	W1	W, 47-17 vs. Davidson
San Diego	3-4	.429	163	179	2-2	1-2	L1	3-7	.300	206	257	2-4	1-3	L1	L, 14-20 vs. St. Thomas
Valparaiso	2-5	.286	137	166	2-2	0-3	W2	3-7	.300	185	257	3-2	0-5	W2	W, 23-20 vs. Stetson
Dayton	1-6	.143	115	175	0-3	1-3	W1	3-7	.300	229	260	3-3	0-4	W1	W, 35-6 vs. Marist
Presbyterian	1-6	.143	126	175	0-3	1-3	L4	3-7	.300	207	253	1-3	2-4	L4	L, 14-16 at Drake
Stetson	1-6	.143	144	241	0-3	1-3	L4	3-7	.300	236	359	2-3	1-4	L4	L, 20-23 at Valparaiso

Teams are sorted by PFL win percentage, league wins then, if tied, alphabetical order.

x - Clinched a share of the 2023 PFL Championship

e - Ineligible for the 2023 PFL AQ to the FCS Playoffs

AHEAD IN WEEK 11

Drake at Butler. Noon

Broadcast: FloSports Location: Indianapolis, Indiana Stadium: Sellick Bowl Series: Drake leads, 22-8-1 Streak: Drake, seven wins Last Meeting: Drake def. Butler, 27-24 (2022)

Bucknell at Marist, Noon

Broadcast: ESPN+ Location: Poughkeepsie, New York Stadium: Tenney Stadium Series: Bucknell leads, 13-1 Streak: Bucknell, eight wins Last Meeting: Bucknell def. Marist, 24-13 (2022)

San Diego at Stetson, Noon

Broadcast: Not Available Location: DeLand, Florida Stadium: Spec Martin Memorial Stadium Series: San Diego leads, 9-0 Streak: San Diego, nine wins Last Meeting: San Diego def. Stetson, 41-16 (2022)

Morehead State at Presbyterian, 1 p.m.

Broadcast: ESPN+ Location: Clinton, South Carolina Series: Morehead State leads, 2-1 Last Meeting: Morehead State def. Presbyterian, 14-10 (2022)

Stadium: Bailey Memorial Stadium Streak: Morehead State, two wins

Valparaiso at St. Thomas, 2 p.m.

Broadcast: MidCo Sports+ Location: St. Paul, Minnesota Stadium: O'Shaughnessy Stadium Series: St. Thomas leads, 2-0 Streak: St. Thomas, two wins Last Meeting: St. Thomas def. Valparaiso, 34-7 (2022)

Davton at Davidson. 7 p.m.

Broadcast: DavidsonWildcats.com Location: Davidson, North Carolina Series: Dayton leads, 14-2 Last Meeting: Davidson def. Dayton, 24-23 (2022)

Stadium: Richardson Stadium Streak: Davidson, one win

SCENARIO TRACKER

Drake

The Bulldogs have clinched a share of the 2023 PFL Championship; they can claim the PFL AQ to the FCS Playoffs with:

· A win at Butler OR a Davidson loss against Dayton

Davidson

The Wildcats can clinch a share of the 2023 PFL Championship and claim the PFL AQ to the FCS Playoffs with:

• A win against Dayton AND a Drake loss at Butler

St. Thomas

The Tommies are ineligible for the PFL AQ to the FCS Playoffs. They can clinch a share of the 2023 PFL Championship with:

A win against Valparaiso AND a Drake loss at Butler





PFL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Offensive Player of the Week



Bryce Patterson, Morehead State | Freshman (RS), Quarterback, Versailles, Kentucky

Making his first career start, Patterson threw six touchdowns to lead Morehead State's 47-17 PFL victory against Davidson, Saturday. The six touchdown throws are tied for most in the FCS and are the most by a PFL quarterback this season. Patterson needed just 10 completions for his six touchdowns and passed for 240 yards. Each of his six touchdowns went for 25-plus yards, including three throws to wide receiver Ryan Upp.

OTHER NOTABLES

LUKE HANSEN, DAYTON (Freshman, Running Back, Indianapolis, Ind.) rushed for 111 yards and two touchdowns on 17 carries against Marist.

RYAN MANN, VALPARAISO (Sophomore, Running Back, Vernon Hills, III.) carried the ball 25 times for 121 yards and a touchdown against Stetson.

HOPE ADEBAYO, ST. THOMAS (Junior, Running Back, Inver Grove Heights, Minn.) rushed for the game-winning touchdown in overtime at San Diego, finishing the game with nine carries for 85 yards and two touchdowns.

MATT STIANCHE, MARIST (Junior (RS), Wide Receiver, Northampton, Pa.) had seven receptions for 105 yards and a touchdown against Dayton.

DORIAN BOYLAND, DRAKE (Junior, Running Back, Muskego, Wis.) finished with 21 carries for 77 yards and a touchdown against Presbyterian.

Defensive Player of the Week



Kaleb Lyons, Morehead State | Sophomore, Defensive Back, Antioch, Tennessee

Lyons picked off three passes, tying the PFL single-game record, to help Morehead State defeat Davidson 47-17 Saturday. His first two interceptions came deep in Davidson territory in the second quarter and helped set up Morehead State touchdowns in a 26-point quarter. Lyons nabbed his third interception in the fourth quarter just on the MSU side of the field and led to the Eagles' final touchdown. He also had four tackles, including a sack to force a Davidson punt in the second quarter.

OTHER NOTABLES

NATHAN ARTHUR, DAYTON (Senior, Linebacker, Cincinnati, Ohio) recorded 14 tackles (seven solo) with two tackles for loss, including a sack, as part of a defensive effort that held Marist to six points.

BRADLEY RUSS-MARTIN, PRESBYTERIAN (Junior, Defensive Back, Travelers Rest, S.C.) picked off a pass and blocked a field goal – both in the first half – and had three tackles as part of a defensive unit that held Drake without a touchdown for more than 50 minutes.

EVAN ANNIS, VALPARAISO (Senior (RS), Linebacker, Seattle, Wash.) had a key sack in overtime as part of a nine-tackle effort that included 3.0 tackles for loss and 2.0 sacks against Stetson.

FINN CLAYPOOL, Drake (Sophomore (RS), Defensive Lineman, Des Moines, Iowa) had five tackles for loss, including three sacks, as part of an eight-tackle outing against Presbyterian.

Special Teams Player of the Week



Max Samuel, Valparaiso | Freshman, Linebacker, Edina, Minnesota

Samuel became the eighth FCS player to block two kicks in a game, helping Valparaiso claim a 23-20 overtime victory against Stetson Saturday. He blocked a punt in the first quarter that Valparaiso recovered in the end zone for its first touchdown. Samuel blocked another punt in the fourth quarter, which the Beacons recovered and returned 51 yards to set up a go-ahead touchdown.

OTHER NOTABLES

LOGAN FORCUM, DAYTON (Freshman (RS), Punter, Cincinnati, Ohio) averaged 43.7 yards on three punts with a careerbest 53-yard punt and saw two downed inside the 20-yard line against Marist.

MAX SAMUEL, VALPARAISO (Freshman, Linebacker, Edina, Minn.) blocked two punts, both leading to quick Valparaiso touchdowns, becoming the eighth FCS player with two blocked kicks in a game this season.

SHANE DUNNING, DRAKE (Senior, Kicker/Punter, Muskego, Wis.) was responsible for 10 points against Presbyterian, making 3-for-4 field goals and an extra point. He also averaged 33.0 yards on five punts with one downed inside the 20-yard line.

NOTE: All individuals recognized on this page were nominated by the athletics communications staff at their respective schools.

31ST SEASON

COMPOSITE SCHEDULE

Week 1: Aug. 31, 2023

Morehead State 37, West Virginia State 35 Youngstown State 52, Valparaiso 10

Week 1: Sept. 2, 2023

St. Thomas 36, Black Hills State 26 Stetson 34, St. Thomas (Fla.) 33 Georgetown 49, Marist 7 Illinois State 41, Dayton 0 VMI 12, Davidson 7 Montana 35, Butler 20 North Dakota 55, Drake 7 Cal Poly 27, San Diego 10 Murray State 41, Presbyterian 10

Week 2: Sept. 8, 2023

Barton College 33, Davidson 31

Week 2: Sept. 9, 2023

Dayton 62, Central State (Ohio) 24 Presbyterian 48, Virginia-Lynchburg 17 Butler 41, Taylor 13 Stetson 38, Webber International 28 South Dakota 24, St. Thomas 0 Colorado Mesa 28, San Diego 21 (OT) Indiana Wesleyan 24, Valparaiso 22 Northwestern (Iowa) 27, Drake 24 (OT) Mercer 48, Morehead State 22

Week 3: Sept. 16, 2023

Davidson 49, Marist 21 Dayton 52, Taylor 20 Harvard 45, St. Thomas 13 #3 Montana State 57, Stetson 20 #1 South Dakota State 70, Drake 7 Princeton 23, San Diego 12 Presbyterian 23, Wofford 20 Butler 47, Wabash 21

Week 4: Sept. 23, 2023

Butler 28, Stetson 18Marist 36, Valparaiso 30 (OT)St. Thomas 35, Morehead State 28San Diego 40, Dayton 25Davidson 84, St. Andrews 6

Week 5: Sept. 30, 2023

Davidson 55, San Diego 33 St. Thomas 20, Dayton 14 Marist 34, Stetson 24 Butler 27, Presbyterian 17 Drake 16, Morehead State 9 Valparaiso 16, Southwest Minnesota State 15

Week 6: Oct. 7, 2023 Morehead State 31, Dayton 7

Stetson 28, Presbyterian 24	
St. Thomas 17, Butler 10	
Drake 20, Valparaiso 14	
Columbia 16, Marist 0	

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All times Eastern. PFL Contests in bold.

Week 7: Oct. 14, 2022 Marist 30, San Diego 16 Presbyterian 20, Dayton 17 Davidson 35, Butler 33 Drake 52, St. Thomas 21 Morehead State 24, Valparaiso 21

Week 8: Oct. 21, 2022 Davidson 42, Valparaiso 21 Butler 37, Dayton 10 Marist 19, Presbyterian 10 St. Thomas 38, Stetson 6 Drake, 25 San Diego 20 Tarleton State 42, Morehead State 0

Week 9: Oct. 28, 2022

Butler 17, Valparaiso 7 Drake 33, Stetson 7 St. Thomas 49, Marist 14 San Diego 17, Morehead State 11 Davidson 45, Presbyterian 28

Week 10: Nov. 4, 2023

Drake 10, Marist 3 San Diego 23, Presbyterian 13 Davidson 61, Stetson 41 Valparaiso 21, Dayton 7 Butler 49, Morehead State 7

Week 11: Nov. 11, 2023

Morehead State 47, Davidson 17 Dayton 35, Marist 6 Valparaiso 23, Stetson 20 (OT) Drake 16, Presbyterian 14 St. Thomas 20, San Diego 14 (OT)

Week 12: Nov. 18, 2023

Drake at Butler, Noon Bucknell at Marist, Noon San Diego at Stetson, Noon Morehead State at Presbyterian, 1 p.m. Valparaiso at St. Thomas, 2 p.m. Dayton at Davidson, 7 p.m.

NCAA Division I FCS Championship POSTSEASON WEEK 1: Nov. 25, 2022 First Round

POSTSEASON WEEK 2: Dec. 2, 2022 Second Round

POSTSEASON WEEK 2: Dec. 9, 2022 Quarterfinals

POSTSEASON WEEK 4: Dec. 16, 2022 Semifinals

POSTSEASON WEEK 5: Jan. 6, 2023

National Championship

at Frisco, Texas

pioneer football league

PREFERRED NOMENCLATURE

2023 PIONEER FOOTBALL LEAGUE WEEKLY REPORT

The league's full name is the **Pioneer Football** League. Please use the league's full name when possible or use PFL as an abbreviation. Please, <u>DO</u> <u>NOT</u> use Pioneer League in any case.

PIONEER-FOOTBALL.ORG

The PFL's website features the latest news and stories around the league. Standings along with team-by-team and composite results are updated following the conclusion of each day's action.

PFL ON TWITTER @PFLNews

The PFL also maintains an official twitter feed @PFLNews which will provide release and award notifications and score updates throughout the season.

WEEKLY RELEASE AND STATISTICS

Each week the PFL produces a weekly release in two versions, an initial Sunday Release and a final Weekly Release sent each Monday:

- The league's Sunday Release contains updated standings, the upcoming week's schedule as well as the players of the week.
- The PFL Weekly Release is released each week and contains all the information from the Sunday release along with news and notes from around the league and up-to-date statistics.

Both versions are provided by e-mail and on the league's website in PDF and may be reproduced as necessary. Weekly releases also will be sent via e-mail to media outlets around the league. Please contact Cody Bush at the PFL Media Relations Office to be added to the league's e-mail list.

WEEKLY AWARDS

The PFL names Offensive, Defensive and Special Teams Players of the Week each Sunday during the season. Winners are selected from nominations provided by each PFL team's Football Media Relations personnel. The information will be available from the PFL via the league's Sunday Release, the league's website, official Twitter feed and Facebook page.

ANNUAL AWARDS

The league will announce the following awards at the conclusion of the regular season:

- All-PFL First and Second teams;
- Honorable Mention All-PFL;
- Academic All-PFL First and Second teams;
- Offensive, Defensive and Special Teams Players of the Year;
- · Offensive and Defensive Freshmen of the Year
- Scholar-Athlete of the Year;
- Coach of the Year.

The awards will be announced by the PFL via release as well as on the league's website.

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TEAM-BY-TEAM CAPSULES

BUTLER BULLDOGS

OVERALL: 7-3 PFL: 5-2 HOME: 3-1 AWAY: 4-2 HOME FACILITY: SELLICK BOWL (5,500)

Date [TM RANK]	Opponent [RANK]	W/L	Score	Attend
S02	at Montana [14/14]	L	20-35	25430
S09	Taylor	W	41-13	3113
S16	Wabash	W	47-21	6271
S23	at Stetson	W	28-18	1128
S30	Presbyterian	W	27-17	3302
007	at St. Thomas	L	10-17	4855
014	Davidson	L	33-35	1873
021	at Dayton	W	37-10	2785
028	Valparaiso	W	17-7	4224
N04	at Morehead St.	W	49-7	8868
Date [TM RANK]	Opponent [RANK]	Kickoff		Broadcast
N18	Drake	Noon		FloSports

DAVIDSON WILDCATS

OVERALL: 7-3 PFL: 6-1 HOME: 4-1 AWAY: 3-2 HOME FACILITY: RICHARDSON STADIUM (6,000)

Date	[TM RANK]	Opponent [RANK]	W/L	Score	Attend
S02	[RV/]	at VMI	L	7-12	5622
S08		Barton College	L	31-33	3105
S16		at Marist	W	49-21	1806
S23		St. Andrews	W	84-6	4357
S30		San Diego	W	55-33	4021
014		at Butler	W	35-33	1873
021		Valparaiso	W	42-21	4991
028		Presbyterian	W	45-28	4119
N04	[-/RV]	at Stetson	W	61-41	1351
N11	[-/RV]	at Morehead St.	L	17-47	5675
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponent [RANK]	Kickoff		Broadcast
N18		Dayton	7 p.m.	DavidsonW	ildcats.com

	DAYTON FLYERS						
	OVERA	LL: 3-7	PFL: 1-6	HOME: 3-3	3 AWAY: 0-	4	
	HC	OME FACI	LITY: WELCOM	ME STADIUM	1 (11,000)		
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponen	t [RANK]	W/L	Score	Attend	
S02		at Illinois	St. [–/RV]	L	0-41	6740	
S09		Central S	t.	W	62-24	3104	
S16		Taylor		W	52-20	4018	
S23		at San Di	ego	L	25-40	934	
S30		St. Thoma	as	L	14-20	6361	
007		at Moreh	ead St.	L	7-31	6334	
014		Presbyter	ian	L	[OT] 17-20	2365	
021		Butler		L	10-37	2785	
N04		at Valpara	aiso	L	7-21	1829	
N11		Marist		W	35-6	5153	
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponen	t [RANK]	Kickoff		Broadcast	
N18		at Davids	on	7 p.m.	DavidsonWil	dcats.com	

MARIST	RED	FOXES
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	OVERA	LL: 4-6	PFL: 4-4	HOME: 2-2	2 AWAY: 2	2-4			
	HOME FACILITY: TENNEY STADIUM (5,000)								
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponer	IT [RANK]	W/L	Score	Attend			
S02		at Georg	etown	L	7-49	1687			
S16		Davidsor	ı	L	21-49	1806			
S23		at Valpar	raiso	W	[OT] 36-30	3331			
S30		Stetson		W	34-24	4287			
007		at Colum	ibia	L	0-16	2873			
014		San Dieg	<u></u> {0	W	30-16	1243			
021		at Presby	yterian	W	19-10	1921			
028		at St. Th	omas	L	14-49	2917			
N04		Drake		L	3-10	1594			
N11		at Dayto	n	L	6-35	5153			
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponer	IT [RANK]	Kickoff		Broadcast			
N18		Bucknell		Noon		ESPN+			

	DRARL BOLLDOGS									
	OVERA	LL: 7-3 PFL: 7-0	HOME: 4-2	1 AWAY: 3-2	2					
		HOME FACILITY: DRAKE	E STADIUM	(14,557)						
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponent [RANK]	W/L	Score	Attend					
S02		at North Dakota [17/18]	L	7-55	8503					
S09		Northwestern (Iowa)	L	[OT] 24-27	3526					
S16		at South Dakota St. [1/1]	L	7-70	18174					
S30		at Morehead St.	W	16-9	6876					
007		Valparaiso	W	20-14	3075					
014		St. Thomas	W	52-21	1902					
021		at San Diego	W	25-20	791					
028		Stetson	W	33-7	1625					
N04		at Marist	W	10-3	1594					
N11		Presbyterian	W	16-14	2278					
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponent [RANK]	Kickoff	E	Broadcast					
N18		at Butler	Noon		FloSports					

DRAKE BUILDOGS

MOREHEAD STATE **EAGLES** OVERALL: 4-6 PFL: 3-4 HOME: 3-2 AWAY: 1-4

	UVERA	LL: 4-0	FFL: 3-4	HUIVIE. 3-2	AVVAL 1-4	
		HOME FA	ACILITY: JAYNE	STADIUM (10	,000)	
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponer	It [RANK]	W/L	Score	Attend
A31		West Virg	ginia St.	W	37-35	7147
S09		at Merce	r [20/24]	L	22-48	10722
S23		at St. The	omas	L	28-35	4466
S30		Drake		L	9-16	6876
007		Dayton		W	31-7	6334
014		at Valpar	aiso	W	24-21	1101
021		at Tarleto	on St.	L	0-42	23042
028		at San D	iego	L	11-17	1593
N04		Butler		L	7-49	8868
N11		Davidsor	1 [—/RV]	W	47-17	5675
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponer	IT [RANK]	Kickoff	В	roadcast
N18		at Presby	/terian	1 p.m.		ESPN+

PFL ACTIVE WIN STREAKS

Consecutive Overall Wins	Consecutive PFL Wins	Consecutive Home Wins	Consecutive Road Wins	
7 Drake (5th in FCS)	10 Drake (4th in FCS)	16 St. Thomas† (4th in FCS)	3 Drake	
3 Butler	3 Butler	4 Davidson	2 Butler	
3 St. Thomas	3 St. Thomas	4 Drake	2 St. Thomas	
2 Valparaiso	2 Valparaiso	2 Valparaiso	_	

† St. Thomas' home win streak is since it joined Division I. It has a 31-game home win streak dating back to the 2016 season.

TEAM-BY-TEAM CAPSULES

PRESBYTERIAN BLUE HOSE							
	OVERA	LL: 3-7	PFL: 1-6	HOME: 1-3	3 AWAY: 2	-4	
	HOME	E FACILITY	: BAILEY MEN	MORIAL STA	DIUM (6,500))	
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponent	[RANK]	W/L	Score	Attend	
S02		at Murray	St.	L	10-41	6953	
S09		Virginia-Ly	nchburg	W	48-17	1208	
S16		at Wofford	k	W	23-20	3907	
S30		at Butler		L	17-27	3302	
007		Stetson		L	24-28	1202	
014		at Dayton		W	[OT] 20-17	2365	
021		Marist		L	10-19	1876	
028		at Davids	on	L	28-45	4119	
N04		San Diego)	L	13-23	675	
N11		at Drake		L	14-16	2278	
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponent	[RANK]	Kickoff		Broadcast	
N18		Morehead	l St.	1 p.m.		ESPN+	

	OVERA	LL: 7-3 PFL: 6-1	HOME: 4-0	AWAY: 3	3-3				
	HOME FACILITY: O'SHAUGHNESSY STADIUM (5,000)								
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponent [RANK]	W/L	Score	Attend				
S02	[RV/RV]	Black Hills St.	W	36-26	3793				
S09	[RV/RV]	at South Dakota	L	0-24	6126				
S16	[-/RV]	at Harvard	L	13-45	6217				
S23		Morehead St.	W	35-28	4466				
S30		at Dayton	W	20-14	6361				
007		Butler	W	17-10	4855				
014		at Drake	L	21-52	1902				
021		at Stetson	W	38-6	1876				
028		Marist	W	49-14	2917				
N11		at San Diego	W [OT] 20-14	1703				
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponent [RANK]	Kickoff		Broadcast				
N18		Valparaiso	2 p.m.	Mi	dCoSports+				

ST. THOMAS TOMMIES

		SA	N DIEGO	TORERO	S	
	OVERA	LL: 3-7	PFL: 3-4	HOME: 2-4	4 AWAY: 1	-3
	Н	OME FAC	LITY: WELCO	OME STADIU	M (6,000)	
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponent	[RANK]	W/L	Score	Attend
S02		at Cal Pol	y	L	10-27	6248
S09		Colorado	Mesa	L	[OT] 21-28	858
S16		Princeton		L	12-23	1791
S23		Dayton		W	40-25	934
S30		at Davids	on	L	33-55	4021
014		at Marist		L	16-30	1243
021		Drake		L	20-25	791
028		Morehead	l St.	W	17-11	1593
N04		at Presbyt	erian	W	23-13	675
N11		St. Thoma	IS	L	[OT] 14-20	1703
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponent	[RANK]	Kickoff		Broadcast
N18		at Stetsor	1	Noon		ESPN+

VA	LPARAISO	BEACONS	
OVEDALL: 3.7	DEI · 2.5	HOME 2-3	$\Delta M / \Delta V \cdot \Omega_{-5}$

	OVERA	LL: 3-7 PFL: 2-5	HOME: 2-	3 AWAY:	0-5
		HOME FACILITY: BRO	WN FIELD (5,000)	
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponent [RANK]	W/L	Score	Attend
A31		at Youngstown St. [RV/RV]	L	10-52	8593
S09		at Indiana Wesleyan	L	22-24	3000
S23		Marist	L	[OT] 30-36	3331
S30		Southwest Minn. St.	W	16-15	1573
007		at Drake	L	14-20	3075
014		Morehead St.	L	21-24	1101
021		at Davidson	L	21-42	4991
028		at Butler	L	7-17	4224
N04		Dayton	W	21-7	1829
N11		Stetson	W	[OT] 23-20	1056
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponent [RANK]	Kickoff		Broadcast
N18		at St. Thomas	2 p.m.	M	idCoSports+

		STETSON	HATTERS		
	OVERA	LL: 3-7 PFL: 1-6	HOME: 2-3	AWAY: 1	L-4
	HOME FA	CILITY: SPEC MARTIN	I MEMORIAL S	STADIUM (6	,000)
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponent [RANK]	W/L	Score	Attend
S02		St. Thomas (Fla.)	W	[от] 34-33	1609
S09		Webber International	W	38-28	1430
S16		at Montana St. [3/3]	L	20-57	21487
S23		Butler	L	18-28	1128
S30		at Marist	L	24-34	4287
007		at Presbyterian	W	28-24	1202
021		St. Thomas	L	6-38	1876
028		at Drake	L	7-33	1625
N04		Davidson [-/RV]	L	41-61	1351
N11		at Valparaiso	L	[OT] 20-23	1056
Date	[TM RANK]	Opponent [RANK]	Kickoff		Broadcast
N18		San Diego	Noon		ESPN+



THE TITLE AND THE AQ

Drake clinched a share of the 2023 PFL title last week with its 16-14 victory against Presbyterian and Davidson's loss at Morehead State. Drake can clinch the PFL Championship outright and claim the league's AO spot in the FCS Playoffs with a win this weekend at Butler and would make its first postseason appearance since winning the 2004 PFL Championship Game against Morehead State. Davidson remains in the hunt for its fourth straight postseason appearance but must defeat Dayton and see Butler defeat Drake. St. Thomas would win a share of its second-straight PFL Championship with a win against Valparaiso and a Drake loss at Butler.

PREVIEWING WEEK 12

DRAKE AT BUTLER: In control of its destiny, Drake travels to Butler for the annual meeting of the Bulldogs. Drake has won the last seven meetings in the series but narrowly escaped with a win last season, 24-23, in Des Moines. Drake's defense has been up to the task throughout PFL play this season, allowing just 88 points (12.6 ppg). Sophomore defensive lineman Finn Claypool, the reigning Freshman Defensive Player of the Year, is pacing that defensive effort with 14.5 tackles for loss (2.07 per game) and 9.5 sacks (1.36 per game) in seven PFL games. Butler returns to action following its off week and seeks to build on a 482-yard offensive effort at Morehead State the week prior. Senior guarterback Bret Bushka threw for five touchdowns on 16-of-17 passing against the Eagles, while graduate running back Jyran Mitchell posted his fourth straight 100-yard rushing performance.

BUCKNELL AT MARIST: Marist concludes its 2023 campaign with a nonconference tilt against Bucknell. The Red Foxes turned the ball over to Logan Brabham for his first career start against Dayton last week, and he completed 18 of his first 19 passes on the way to a 26-of-38, 259-yard passing performance. Bucknell makes the trip to Poughkeepsie after dropping an offensive shootout, 50-47 in overtime, to Georgetown last week. Marist dropped a 49-7 decision to the Hoyas to open the 2023 season.

San Diego at Stetson: Two teams that dropped overtime decisions in Week 11 meet in a Week 12 meeting. Stetson returns home after falling to an overtime field goal at Valparaiso last week. Meanwhile, San Diego makes its fourth trip across the country after losing to a walk-off touchdown at home against St. Thomas. San Diego running back Isaiah Williams looks to join the 1,000-rushing club this season in North Carolina, entering the weekend needing 67 yards. He is 16th among FCS running backs with 933 yards - third among PFL backs. Meanwhile,

MOREHEAD STATE AT PRESBYTERIAN: After an impressive all-round effort to down Davidson in Week 11, Morehead State heads south to face the other half of the PFL's Carolina-base duo when it meets Presbyterian. The Eagles set a program record with six interceptions against the Wildcats last week, including defensive back Kaleb Lyons's PFL record-tying three-pick performance. Their third-straight multi-interception effort catapulted the MSU defense to No. 3 among FCS teams with 15 interceptions this season. Presbyterian quarterback Tyler Wesley looks to claim the lesser-known PFL quarterback rushing title this week. He enters the weekend second among PFL QBs with 439 rushing yards and trails Butler's Bret Bushka's 444 yards this season. Meanwhile, the Blue Hose defense has held four of their last five opponents to 23 points or less but is 1-3 when doing so.

VALPARAISO AT ST. THOMAS: St. Thomas puts a 31-game home winning streak on the line and seeks a share of its second-straight PFL title when it hosts a surging Valparaiso squad. The Tommies have responded to their Oct. 14 loss at Drake by winning three straight, with the defense leading that push, allowing only 34 points in those three wins after allowing 52 points to Drake. The Tommies offense has turned to its run game since an Oct. 14 injury to quarterback Tak Takeoka, amassing 756 yards and 10 touchdowns in the three wins. Valparaiso has wins against Dayton and Stetson to open the month, and a victory this week would give the Beacons their longest win streak since 2003. Valparaiso's defense proved the difference last week with two blocked kicks and nine pass breakups against the Hatters.

DAYTON AT DAVIDSON: Davidson will have the opportunity to watch the action unfold before taking the field for the PFL's regular-season finale against Dayton. The Wildcats look to rebound after an uncharacteristically turnover-prone game at Morehead State. Davidson entered last week ranked No. 1 in the FCS with only five turnovers lost but saw six passes intercepted by the Eagles. Running back Mari Adams enters the weekend seeking a 1,000-yard season, needing only 61 yards to reach the milestone. Dayton makes the trip to North Carolina seeking to end its season positively after picking up a win against Marist last weekend. Luke Hansen ran for two touchdowns and 111 yards against the Red Foxes; he has a rushing touchdown in each of the Flyers' previous three games

FCS SELECTION SHOW, SUNDAY

The 2023 FCS championship selection show will air at 12:30 p.m. (ET) on Sunday, Nov. 19, live on ESPNU. The complete tournament field and official bracket will be posted at NCAA.com shortly after it is unveiled. Twenty-four teams will be selected for the championship, with 10 teams automatically qualifying by winning their conference title, and the remaining 14 spots will be picked at large. The championship begins Saturday, Nov. 25, at campus sites and concludes Sunday, Jan. 7, at Toyota Stadium in Frisco, Texas.

PFL AWARDS SEASON

The 31st Pioneer Football League awards will be announced starting with the league's Major Award Winners on Monday, Nov. 27. The following day, the 31st edition of the All-PFL teams will be presented. The league's awards schedule concludes with Wednesday's 2023 PFL Scholar-Athlete of the Year release and the 31st Academic All-PFL squads.



PRESEASON TEAMS

The Pioneer Football League named 30 studentathletes to its Preseason All-Pioneer Football League Team Tuesday, including 12 returning First Team All-PFL selections.

Returning players named to the league's 2022 All-PFL Teams were placed automatically on the 2023 Preseason All-PFL team, in order of head coaches voting.

OFFENCE

OFFE	INSE	
WR	Solomon Davis (1)	Valparaiso
WR	Dominic Kibby (2)	Presbyterian
WR	Andrew McElroy (1)	St. Thomas
QB	Bret Bushka (1, PotY)	Butler
RB	James Louis (2)	Morehead St.
RB	Shawn Shipman (2)	St. Thomas
FB	Eli Stewart (H)	Drake
A-P	Re-al Mitchell (1)	San Diego
TE	Evan Jernegan (H)	Valparaiso
OL	Gilbert Deglau (2)	Davidson
OL	Beck Kipperman (2)	Davidson
OL	Alec Rasmussen (2)	St. Thomas
OL	Jimmy Poremba (2)	Drake
OL	David Tkatch (1)	Dayton
DEFE		
DL	Will Buck (2)	San Diego
	Finn Claypool (1, FRotY)	Drake
	Jonathan Hammond (2)	Davidson
	()	
DL LB	Sam Schadek (1)	Dayton Marist
	Mike Arrington (1)	
LB	Nate Arthur (2)	Dayton St. Thomas
LB	Jonathan Bunce (1)	
LB	Chase Lyons (2)	San Diego
DB	Rassie Littlejohn (1)	Stetson
DB	Yusef Leak (2)	St. Thomas
DB	Cole Hildebrand (H)	Dayton
DB	Cooper Krezek (H)	Morehead St.
SPEC	CIAL TEAMS	
PK	Luka Zurak (1, PotY)	Butler
Р	Luka Zurak (1, PotY)	Butler
RS	Andrew McElroy (2)	St. Thomas
LS	Justin laccio (1)	Marist
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Previous season's honor(s) received in parentheses: 1 - First Team All-PFL selection;

2 - Second Team All-PEL selection:

H - Honorable Mention selection;

PotY - Player of the Year (Offense, Defense, or Special Teams):

FRotY - Freshman of the Year (Offense of Defense).

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PFL PRESEASON COACHES POLL

Rk	Team	Pts
1.	St. Thomas (8)	98
2.	Davidson (2)	92
3.	Dayton	75
4.	San Diego (1)	73
5.	Butler	68
6.	Valparaiso	52
7.	Marist	45
8.	Drake	38
9.	Stetson	31
10.	Morehead State	22
11.	Presbyterian	11

• First-place votes in parentheses.

• 10 points awarded for a first-place vote, with one point less for each succeeding place. (Maximum score = 100)

Coaches were not allowed to vote for their own team.



PFL ALUMNI IN THE NFL

Seven PFL alumni are on NFL active rosters before the start of the 2023 NFL season with two listed on reserve/injured or practice rosters.

- Jamal Agnew (San Diego) Jacksonville
- Ross Dwelley (San Diego) San Francisco
- Josh Johnson (San Diego) Baltimore
- Zion Johnson (Davidson) L.A. Chargers
- Jason Myers (Marist) Seattle
- Donald Parham (Stetson) L.A. Chargers
- Adam Trautman (Dayton) Denver
- Eric Saubert (Drake) Denver +

+-injured reserve | * - practice squad



PFL ALUMNI IN THE CFL

Matthew Shiltz (Butler) – Hamilton



Donald Payne (Stetson) – Arlington

• Jake Sutherland (Morehead St.) - St. Louis

2023 PIONEER FOOTBALL LEAGUE WEEKLY REPORT

MITCHELL PASSES 1,000 YARD MARK

Butler running back Jyran Mitchell became the first PFL running back to surpass 1,000 yards this season, finishing Week 9 with 1,088 rushing yards. With 1,213 rushing yards entering the final weekend, he is third in the FCS rushing race, five yards behind UT Martin's Sam Franklin. He leads the PFL rushing yard race by 274 yards, with Davidson's Mari Adams ranking second in the league with 939 rushing yards.

RUNNING BACK REVIVAL

Mitchell is one of four league running backs entering the final weekend ranked among the FCS Top 25 in rushing yards per game. Mitchell is ranked fourth in the FCS with 121.3 yards per game. San Diego's Isaiah Williams moved to 11th, averaging 103.7 yards per game, while Davidson's Mari Adams (93.9 ypg) and Mason Sheron (84.4 ypg) are ranked 19th and 21st, respectively.

TROUBLE UNDER CENTER

It's been a year of uncertainty at quarterback across the PFL this season, with the league's 11 members using 22 quarterbacks who have thrown for both 20 pass attempts and a touchdown during the season. Butler and Drake, who meet in a pivotal season-ending meeting, have had steady hands at quarterback, with Bret Bushka and Luke Bailey, respectively, leading the way for nearly the entire season. Meanwhile, Dayton and Valparaiso have used three quarterbacks to muster their way through the season.

FIELD GOAL RACE A FOUR-WAY BATTLE

The race for the league's top field goal kicker will enter the final weekend seeking a decisive answer. Drake's Shane Dunning used a three field-goal day against Presbyterian to join Presbyterian's Mack Mikko atop the field goal leaderboard with 15 made this season. Butler's Luka Zurak, who was off last week, sits third in the race with 14 field goals made. San Diego's Aidan Lehman sits fourth in the race with 10 made this season. All four rank among the FCS top 40 in field goals made per game, while Dunning (83.3 percent) and Zurak (82.4 percent) rank 11th and 13th nationally in field goal percentage.

WATCH THESE RETURN(ER)S

Marist's Tristan Shannon and Valparaiso's Jashon Butler are among the FCS kick-return corps leaders in 2023. Shannon is No. 4 in the nation with 624 combined kick return yards this season. Butler is No. 7 nationally at 615 combined kick return yards, all in kickoff returns, where he ranks No. 4 nationally with 30.8 yards per return.

YOU'RE IN GOOD HANDS WITH THESE PFL TEAMS

Butler, Davidson, Drake, and Morehead State enter their 11th game having lost just 11 turnovers this season. Davidson has lost just two fumbles this season (third in the FCS) and Morehead State has just three lost fumbles (sixth in the FCS).

TOP OF TAKEAWAYS

Marist, San Diego, and Stetson have each forced 20 or more turnovers in 2023. Marist leads the PFL and is eighth in the FCS with 21 turnovers forced, including 13 fumbles recovered which is tied with Drake for most in the FCS. San Diego and Stetson each have 20 turnovers gained, including 12 interceptions. More-head State leads the PFL with 15 interceptions this season, third most among FCS teams.

FREE FOOTBALL ABOUNDS

PFL members have been involved in seven of the FCS' 34 overtime games in 2023. Week 11 saw two PFL outings take extra time with Valparaiso hitting a walk-off field goal to down Stetson while St. Thomas prevailed at San Diego courtesy a walk-off touchdown. Road teams are 5-2 in the PFL's overtime games this season, including Valparaiso's win last week. Stetson and Valparaiso are lone home teams to win an overtime game in the PFL this season.

UST'S TATEOKA, PC'S MIKKO NAMED TO JERRY RICE AWARD WATCH LIST

St. Thomas quarterback Tak Tateoka and Presbyterian kicker Mack Mikko were two of 22 FCS freshman student-athletes named to the Jerry Rice Award Watch List Wednesday. The Jerry Rice Award, presented by FedEx Ground, is presented to the national freshman of the year in the NCAA's Football Championship Subdivision. Tateoka is the first St. Thomas student-athlete named to one of the FCS STATS / FedEx Ground national watch lists since the Tommies joined Division I. Mikko was the lone special teams representative on the 22-freshman list.

THREE PFL STUDENT-ATHLETES AMONG RECORDING-BREAKING CAMPBELL TRO-PHY SEMIFINALISTS GROUP

The 2023 season marks the 31st year for the Pioneer Football League – the nation's only non-scholarship, football-only NCAA Football Championship Subdivision conference. The league will feature 11 teams – tied for most in league history – each playing an eight-game schedule to determine the league champion and recipient of the automatic bid to the 2023 NCAA FCS Championship. Three Pioneer Football League student-athletes were among a record 201 semifinalists for the 2023 William V. Campbell Trophy, announced Wednesday by the National Football Foundation & College Hall of Fame. Butler offensive lineman Bryan Bystol, Dayton wide receiver Derek Willits, and Marist linebacker/long snapper Justin laccio were among the group of 39 NCAA FCS student-athletes named to the semifinalist group. Celebrating its 34th year, the Campbell Trophy® recognizes an individual as the absolute best football scholar-athlete in the nation for his combined academic success, football performance, and exemplary leadership.

DEFENDING CHAMPION ST. THOMAS PICKED TO WIN PFL

St. Thomas, the defending Pioneer Football League champion, was the choice to win the league's 2023 title as selected in the league's Preseason Coaches' poll released Tuesday and voted upon by the league's head coaches.

St. Thomas received 98 of the maximum 100 points available, with coaches unable to vote for their teams. Davidson followed closely with 92 points – putting the Tommies and Wildcats as the league's clear frontrunners entering the 2023 season. Dayton and San Diego, perennial league favorites, were picked to finish third and fourth, respectively.

PFL SEES FOUR 2022 MAJOR AWARD WINNERS RETURN FOR 2023

Four of the PFL's five major award winners from 2022 return for the 2023 season, led by reigning PFL Offensive Player of the Year quarterback Bret Bushka of Butler. He is joined by Butler's punter and kicker Luka Zurak, who returns after claiming PFL Special Teams Player of the Year last season. Drake defensive lineman Finn Claypool also returns after earning Freshman Defensive Player of the Year recognition in 2022. Stetson quarterback Brady Meitz also returns after claiming Freshman Offensive Player of the Year honors.

WEALTH OF EXPERIENCE RETURNS ACROSS THE PFL

Eighty-six student-athletes recognized on the 2022 All-PFL Teams and honorable mention lists return for the 2023 season, including 12 returning First Team All-PFL selections and 15 returning Second Team All-PFL honorees.

GREG WALTER NAMED SECOND PFL COMMISSIONER

The Pioneer Football League's Presidents Council named Greg Walter the league's second commissioner, effective August 1. Walter, who served as the PFL's associate commissioner since 2013, brings two decades of collegiate athletics experience, including an extensive background in leadership roles within the Football Championship Subdivision (FCS), into his new role with the league. In addition, Patty Viverito will remain an advisor to the Pioneer Football League after serving as commissioner since the league's founding in 1993.

MARIST'S PARADY GETS 150TH FCS WIN

Marist head coach James Parady picked up his 150th FCS victory in the Red Foxes' Week 8 victory against Presbyterian. He becomes the 15th head coach since the NCAA created the FCS in 1978 to win 150 or more FCS games, including five active head coaches. FCS wins are only counted for head coaches when the NCAA lists their program as a Division I FCS program.

ST. THOMAS' CARUSO NOTCHES 150TH WIN IN SEASON OPENER

St. Thomas head coach Glenn Caruso secured his 150th career victory in the Tommies' season-opening victory against Black Hills State. Now he turns his attention to his 150th victory as St. Thomas head coach, entering this week with 144 wins in St. Paul.

DAYTON & SAN DIEGO HELMED BY NEW HEAD COACHES

San Diego and Dayton each made changes at head coach during the offseason, marking the second consecutive year two league members have made changes at the top of their programs. Dayton turns to Trevor Andrews, a former Flyer safety who has coached at the collegiate level for 25 years. Andrews returns to Dayton from Western Michigan, where he coached the Bronco linebackers for four seasons. Before that, he was at William & Mary for 18 years in various capacities. San Diego hired Brandon Moore from the Colorado School of Mines, where he took the Orediggers to their first-ever appearance in the NCAA Division II Championship Game. Moore was a linebacker at Oklahoma and a Sooners' 2001 National Championship team member. Moore then spent seven years in the NFL, including six with the San Francisco 49ers.

VALPARAISO'S MATTHES, BUTLER'S ZURAK ON PUNTER OF THE YEAR WATCH LIST

PFL punters Evan Matthes of Valparaiso and Luka Zurak of Butler were among 17 candidates named by The Augusta Sports Council to its 2023 FCS Punter of the Year Award Watch List. Zurak is the reigning PFL Special Teams Player of the Year after earning First Team All-PFL recognition as a punter and placekicker. He averaged 41.8 yards on 37 punts to lead the league while also booting a league-best 67-yard punt – one of his seven punts of 50-plus yards. Matthes, the Second Team All-PFL punter, averaged 41.4 yards on his 57 punts and had 10 punts of 50-plus yards, including a 67-yarder to match Zurak for longest punt of the 2022 season.

BUTLER'S BUSHKA LANDS ON PAYTON AWARD WATCH LIST

Butler quarterback Bret Bushka was one of 35 players named to the 2023 Walter Payton Award Preseason Watch List, presented by FedEx Ground. The 2022 Pioneer Football League Offensive Player of the Year threw for 2,377 yards and 20 touchdowns while leading Butler with 627 rushing yards and five rushing touchdowns. Bushka led the PFL in completion percentage (64%), passing efficiency, passing touchdowns, total offense, and yards per pass attempt. Butler also led all FCS teams in red zone offense with Bushka under center.

DRAKE'S CLAYPOOL NAMED TO BUCK BUCHANAN AWARD WATCH LIST

Drake sophomore linebacker Finn Claypool, the reigning Pioneer Football League Freshman Defensive Player of the Year, was one of 35 athletes named to the preseason watch list for the 2023 Buck Buchanan Award, presented by FedEx Ground and given annually to the National Defensive Player of the Year in Division I FCS college football. Claypool was a Preseason All-PFL selection this season after earning First Team All-PFL honors in 2022 as a freshman. Claypool finished third among PFL tacklers in both tackles for loss (14.5) and sacks (8.0) while also ranking among the FCS' top 25 in each category last season.

UST'S MCELROY NAMED TO PRESEASON ALL-AMERICA SQUAD

St. Thomas wide receiver Andrew McElroy was named to the 2023 Stats Perform FCS Preseason All-America Team, presented by FedEx Ground. McElroy garnered Third Team Preseason All-America honors as an all-purpose back after a breakout sophomore season in 2022, where he earned First Team All-PFL honors. In 11 games, he accumulated 1,162 all-purpose yards between receptions and kick returns, including 717 receiving yards with seven touchdowns.

PFL TRIO NOMINATED TO AFCA ALLSTATE GOOD WORKS TEAM

Davidson's Malik McDaniel, Marist's Kolbe Benham, and St. Thomas' Will Burke were among the 136 student-athletes named to the 2023 Allstate American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) Good Works Team. Established in 1992, the Allstate AFCA Good Works Team is one of college football's most coveted community service awards. From the 135 nominees, the final roster of 23 award recipients will bring together 11 FBS players, 11 FCS players, Divisions II, III, and the NAIA, and one honorary head coach. To be considered for a spot on the Allstate AFCA Good Works Team, each player must be actively involved with a charitable organization or service group while maintaining strong academic standing.

42 PFL STUDENT-ATHLETES NAMED TO 2023 NFF HAMPSHIRE HONOR SOCIETY

In April, the National Football Foundation & College Hall of Fame (NFF) announced the 2023 NFF Hampshire Honor Society members, with 42 Pioneer Football League student-athletes among the 1,762 qualified for membership. Dayton and St. Thomas each had 14 student-athletes recognized, with Valparaiso (8), Marist (2), Morehead State (2), Davidson (1), and Stetson (1) also seeing student-athletes recognized in the list. Members of the NFF Hampshire Society must be a senior or graduate college football player from all divisions of the NCAA, NAIA, and Spring Football who maintained a cumulative 3.2 GPA or better during their college careers.

PFL ALL-TIME SERIES RECORDS

Team	BUT	DAV	DAY	DRA	MAR	MOR	PRE	STT	SAN	STE	VAL	
Butler	_	6-8	8-22	8-22	4-4	9-10	1-0	0-3	6-21	4-1	16-16	
Davidson	8-6	_	2-11	3-8	2-10	9-14	3-0	1-1	4-12	6-5	7-4	
Dayton	22-8	11-2	_	20-9	11-3	11-6	2-1	0-1	16-12	5-1	25-5	
Drake	22-8	8-3	9-20	_	9-2	10-2	1-0	1-2	12-19	4-2	27-5	
Marist	4-3	10-2	3-11	2-9	_	5-3	3-0	0-3	1-11	8-2	10-2	
Morehead State	10-9	14-9	6-11	2-9	3-5	_	2-0	0-1	0-15	4-3	15-3	
Presbyterian	0-1	0-3	1-2	0-1	0-3	0-0	_	0-2	0-3	0-3	0-2	
St. Thomas	3-0	1-1	1-0	2-1	3-0	1-0	2-0	_	2-1	3-0	2-0	
San Diego†	20-6	12-4	12-16	18-12	10-1	14-0	3-0	1-2	_	8-0	20-7	
Stetson	1-5	5-6	1-5	2-5	2-8	3-4	3-0	0-3	0-9	_	2-4	
Valparaiso	16-16	4-7	5-25	5-27	2-10	3-15	2-0	0-2	7-21	4-2	_	

ALL-TIME PFL STANDINGS

Regular-season PF	-L conte	ests only,	by win per	centage
Team	Yrs	Gms	W-L	Pct.
St. Thomas	3	23	20-3	.870
Dayton	30	190	137-53	.721
San Diego†	31	194	132-55	.706
Drake	31	194	126-68	.649
Marist	14	112	58-54	.518
Morehead State	23	153	71-82	.464
Butler	31	196	77-119	.393
Davidson	23	151	59-92	.391
Valparaiso	31	196	57-139	.291
Stetson	11	81	23-58	.284
Presbyterian	3	23	1-22	.043

Dayton and Marist did not play during the Spring 2021 PFL season.

ALL-TIME OVERALL RECORDS

School	Seasons	W-L-T
Butler	134	608-498-35
Davidson	126	463-643-45
Dayton	115	704-391-25
Drake	130	640-542-29
Marist	45	199-248-3
Morehead State	94	369-507-22
Presbyterian	111	517-551-35
St. Thomas	117	646-357-32
San Diego	57	336-235-6
Stetson	59	202-194-27
Valparaiso	103	401-533-27

PFL COACHING RECORDS

	CA	REER RECO	RD	CUI	RRENT SCHO	OL	PFL (ONLY
Coach, School	Seasons	W-L-T	Pct.	Seasons	W-L-T	Pct.	W-L	Pct.
Mike Uremovich (BUT)	2nd	14-7-0	.667	2nd	14-7-0	.667	10-5	.667
Scott Abell (DAV)	12th	80-46-0	.635	6th	41-22-0	.651	30-13	.698
Trevor Andrews (DAY)	1st	3-7-0	.300	1st	3-7-0	.300	1-6	.143
Jeff Stepsis (DRA)	5th	20-27-0	.426	5th	20-27-0	.426	19-15	.559
James Parady (MAR)	31st	155-170-1	.477	31st	155-170-1	.477	59-53	.527
Rob Tenyer (MOR)	11th	47-72-0	.395	11th	47-72-0	.395	38-47	.447
Steve Englehard (PRE)	13th	74-66-0	.529	2nd	4-17-0	.190	1-13	.071
Glenn Caruso (STT)	18th	156-40-0	.796	14th	150-28-0	.843	20-3	.870
Brandon Moore (SAN)	2nd	16-10-0	.615	1st	3-7-0	.300	3-4	.429
Brian Young (STE)	3rd	10-20-0	.333	3rd	10-20-0	.333	4-17	.190
Landon Fox (VAL)	5th	17-33-0	.340	5th	17-33-0	.340	15-22	.405

PFL CHAMPIONSHIPS

12	Dayton	1993, 1994c, 1996, 1997, 1999, 2000c, 2001, 2002, 2007c, 2009c, 2010, 2015c
12	San Diego	2005, 2006, 2007c, 2011c, 2012c, 2014, 2015c, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021c
7	Drake	1995, 1998, 2000c, 2004, 2011c, 2012c, 2023
4	Butler	1994c, 2009c, 2012c, 2013c
2	Valparaiso	2000c, 2003
2	Davidson	2020s, 2021c
1	Jacksonville#	2008
1	Marist	2013c
1	St. Thomas	2022

Notes on PFL Championship: From 1993-2000 – and returning to the format in 2005 – the PFL was composed of one division and the championship was awarded to the team with the best conference record. From 2001-2005, the league expanded and split into two divisions with the divisional winners, who were the teams with the best record against divisional opponents, facing off in a championship game, the winner of that game was awarded the league's championship.

c - co-champions

s - The 2020 PFL regular-season was delayed until spring 2021 due to COVID-19

- Jacksonville vacated its 2010 co-championship as part of penalties for PFL rules violations.

NOTES: The PFL records on this page reflect PFL penalties imposed against San Diego (% - vacated 7 wins during the 2013 season). In accordance with NCAA policy, the wins and ties, but not the losses, of the penalized team are dropped from its PFL record only. The won-lost records for each of the opposing teams are not changed when games are vacated. In addition, the overall records for both teams were not changed.

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SHUTOUT HISTORY								
Team	Last SH	IO Win	in Gms Ago		10 Loss	Gms Ago		
BUT	48-0	at Valparaiso (2010)	139	0-36	at St. Thomas (2021)	28		
DAV	31-0	vs. Butler (2022)	16	0-41	at Richmond (2022)	10		
DAY	13-0	vs. Robert Morris (2016)	112	0-31	at Butler (2022)	9		
DRA	24-0	vs. Valparaiso (2022)	10	0-7	at Marist (2021)	23		
MAR	7-0	at Drake (2021)	23	0-16	at Columbia (2023)	5		
MOR	34-0	vs. Davidson (2015)	91	0-42	at Tarleton State (2023)	3		
PRE	10-0	vs. Lindsey Wilson (2018)	59	0-63	at Austin Peay (2022)	20		
STT	36-0	vs. Butler (2022)	11	0-20	at South Dakota (2023)	8		
SAN	58-0	vs. La Verne (2022)	20	0-41	at Dayton (1999)	262		
STE	_		111	0-63	at Princeton (2021)	11		
VAL	54-0	at Wisconsin Lutheran (2006)	191	0-64	vs. Drake (2022)	10		

OVERTIME HISTORY

Record	Last OT Game
4-4	(W) 30-27 vs. Indiana Wesleyan (2019)
2-5	(L) 48-54 [30T] vs. Jacksonville (2017)
5-7	(W) 56-48 [20T] vs. Stetson (2022)
4-3	(L) 17-20 [OT] vs. Presbyterian (2023)
4-4	(L) 24-27 [OT] vs. Northwestern (Iowa) (2023)
6-5	(W) 36-30 [OT] at Valparaiso (2023)
4-3	(W) 45-38 [OT] vs. Dayton (2021)
1-2	(W) 20-17 [OT] at Dayton (2023)
1-0	(W) 20-14 [OT] at San Diego (2023)
1-4	(L) 14-20 [OT] vs. St. Thomas (2023)
2-2	(L) 20-23 [OT] at Valparaiso (2023)
5-3	(W) 23-20 [OT] vs. Stetson (2023)
	4-4 2-5 5-7 4-3 4-4 6-5 4-3 1-2 1-0 1-4 2-2

LAST PFL WIN VS. FCS CONFERENCE MEMBER

Big Sky	San Diego def. Northern Arizona, 41-10 (11/25/17)
Big South	Dayton def. Robert Morris, 22-20 (9/3/22)
Colonial	Jacksonville def. Delaware, 20-14 (9/4/15)
lvy	Stetson def. Brown, 17-13 (10/7/17)
MEAC	_
MVFC	Dayton def. Indiana State, 42-35 (9/7/19)
Northeast	Dayton def. Robert Morris, 49-28 (9/1/18)
Ohio Valley	Dayton def. Eastern Illinois, 17-10 (9/11/21)
Patriot	Davidson def. Georgetown, 27-20 (8/31/19)
Southern	Presbyterian def. Wofford, 23-20 (9/16/22)
Southland	_
SWAC	_
United	_

PFL POSTSEASON HISTORY

FCS PLAYOFFS

The NCAA Football Championship began in 1978 with a four-team field. It has expanded over the years to its current 24-team format. The Pioneer Football League first received an automatic bid during the 2013 expansion. 2013: Tennessee State 31, at Butler 0 2014: at Montana 52, San Diego 14 2015: Western Illinois 24, at Dayton 7 2016: San Diego 35, at Cal Poly 21 at North Dakota State 45, San Diego 7

2017: San Diego 41, at Northern Arizona 10 at North Dakota State 38, San Diego 3

2018: at Nicholls 49, San Diego 30 2019: at Northern Iowa 17, San Diego 3 2020-21: at Jacksonville State 49, Davidson 14 2021: at Kennesaw State 48, Davidson 21 2022: at Richmond 41, Davidson 0

GRIDIRON CLASSIC

The Gridiron Classic matched the champions of the Pioneer Football League and Northeast Conference in an exempted postseason football contest. The inaugural Gridiron Classic took place Dec. 2, 2006 with PFL Champion San Diego traveling to NEC Champion Monmouth.

2006: San Diego 27, at Monmouth 7
2007: at Dayton 42, Albany 21
2008: at Albany 28, Jacksonville 0
2009: at Butler 28, Central Connecticut 23

PFL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

The Pioneer Football League hosted a championship game between the winners of the north and south divisions from 2001-04. 2001: at Dayton 46, Jacksonville 14 2002: Dayton 28, at Morehead State 0 2003: at Valparaiso 54, Morehead State 42 2004: Drake 20, at Morehead State 17

PFL INDIVIDUAL OFFENSIVE SUPERLATIVES: LAST 25

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400+ PASSING YARDS

YDS	Player	Team	Opponent	Date
411	Luke Bailey	Drake	vs. St. Thomas 9/14,	
408	Grant Sergent	San Diego	at Davidson 9/30/	
444	Brady Meitz	Stetson	Louisiana Christia	n 9/10/22
544	Ren Hefley	Presbyterian	at Valparaiso	11/6/21
418	Bret Bushka	Butler	at Dayton	10/30/21
551	Ren Hefley	Presbyterian	vs. Morehead St.	10/9/21
428	Jack Cook	Dayton	at Morehead St.	10/2/21
481	Mark Pappas	Morehead St.	vs. Dayton	10/2/21
443	Ren Hefley	Presbyterian	at Dayton	9/25/21
576	Ren Hefley	Presbyterian	vs. St. Andrews	9/4/21
416	Reid Stinnett	San Diego	at Cal Poly	8/31/19
498	Colin McGovern	Stetson	vs. Valparaiso	11/17/18
556	Anthony Lawrence	San Diego	vs. Davidson	11/10/18
425	Will Marty	Butler	at Jacksonville	11/3/18
440	Austin Day	Marist	vs. Davidson	10/20/18
434	Anthony Lawrence	San Diego	vs. Dayton	10/13/18
432	Jack Cook	Dayton	at San Diego	10/13/18
425	Anthony Lawrence	San Diego	vs. Stetson	9/29/18
427	Lawson Page	Morehead St.	at Marist	11/11/17
403	Anthony Lawrence	San Diego	at Davidson	11/11/17
400	Mike White	Marist	at Dayton	11/4/17
445	Grant Karemer	Drake	vs. Valparaiso	9/23/17
424	Jimmy Seewald	Valparaiso	vs. Duquesne	9/9/17
465	Austin Gahafer	Morehead St.	at Butler	11/5/16
418	Austin Gahafer	Morehead St.	at Dayton	10/8/16
453	Anthony Lawrence	San Diego	at Stetson	10/31/15
447	Austin Gahafer	Morehead St.	at VMI	9/12/15
417	Kade Bell	Jacksonville	at Davidson	11/8/14
441	Kade Bell	Jacksonville	at Morehead St.	10/11/14

200+ RECEIVING YARDS

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YDS	Player	Team	Opponent	Date
212	Dominic Kibby	Dayton	vs. Dayton	11/5/22
200	Andrew McElroy	St. Thomas	vs. San Diego	10/29/22
223	BJ Byrd	Morehead St.	vs. Stetson	11/13/21
239	Jalen Jones	Presbyterian	at Valparaiso	11/6/21
257	Donald Parham	Stetson	vs. Valparaiso	11/17/18
224	Anthony Olivencia	Marist	vs. San Diego	11/17/18
324	Michael Bandy	San Diego	vs. Davidson	11/10/18
246	Juston Christian	Marist	vs. Davidson	10/20/18
201	Michael Bandy	San Diego	vs. Dayton	10/13/18
274	Juston Christian	Marist	at Columbia	10/6/18
202	Michael Bandy	San Diego	at Harvard	9/14/18
217	Juston Christian	Marist	at Morehead St.	10/15/16
208	William Morris	Davidson	at VMI	9/13/14
200	Tanner Kuramata	Valparaiso	vs Dayton	11/16/13
211	Reggie Bell	San Diego	at Morehead St.	11/9/13
246	Sam Hoekstra	San Diego	vs Dayton	10/27/12
246	Lanny Funsten	Davidson	vs Jacksonville	10/13/12
244	Mike Rios	Marist	vs Davidson	9/22/12
231	John Matthews	San Diego	vs Azusa Pacific	9/6/08
217	John Matthews	San Diego	at UC Davis	11/17/07
213	Nathan Conner	Jacksonville	vs Wagner	11/17/07
226	Steve Ogden	Valparaiso	vs Morehead St.	10/27/07
229	Geavon Tribble	Jacksonville	vs Morehead St.	10/13/07
202	Steve Ogden	Valparaiso	at Wisconsin Luth	neran9/2/06
218	Michael Gasperson	San Diego	vs Dayton	11/6/04
203	Ryan Wrobleski	Dayton	vs Morehead St.	9/11/04
209	Adam Hannula	San Diego	vs Marist	10/25/03

200+ RUSHING YARDS

232 204 209 205 241 226 234 227 268 242 220 200 203	Amin Woods Shawn Shipman Jyran Mitchell Jake Chisholm Aaron Dawson Jake Chisholm Robert Washington JoJo Binda Jr. Jake Chisholm Drew Lauer	Marist St. Thomas Butler Dayton Valparaiso Dayton Valparaiso San Diego	vs. Stetson vs. Morehead St. at Stetson vs. Morehead St. at Morehead St. vs. Davidson vs. Presbyterian	9/30/23 9/23/23 9/23/23 11/12/22 10/22/22 11/13/21
209 205 241 226 234 227 268 242 220 203	Jyran Mitchell Jake Chisholm Aaron Dawson Jake Chisholm Robert Washington JoJo Binda Jr. Jake Chisholm	Butler Dayton Valparaiso Dayton Valparaiso	at Stetson vs. Morehead St. at Morehead St. vs. Davidson	9/23/23 11/12/22 10/22/22
205 241 226 234 227 268 242 220 203	Jake Chisholm Aaron Dawson Jake Chisholm Robert Washington JoJo Binda Jr. Jake Chisholm	Dayton Valparaiso Dayton Valparaiso	vs. Morehead St. at Morehead St. vs. Davidson	11/12/22 10/22/22
241 226 234 227 268 242 220 203	Aaron Dawson Jake Chisholm Robert Washington JoJo Binda Jr. Jake Chisholm	Valparaiso Dayton Valparaiso	at Morehead St. vs. Davidson	10/22/22
226 234 227 268 242 220 203	Jake Chisholm Robert Washington JoJo Binda Jr. Jake Chisholm	Dayton Valparaiso	vs. Davidson	
234 227 268 242 220 203	Robert Washington JoJo Binda Jr. Jake Chisholm	Valparaiso		11/13/21
227 268 242 220 203	JoJo Binda Jr. Jake Chisholm		vs. Presbyterian	
268 242 220 203	Jake Chisholm	San Diego		11/6/21
242 220 203		Ouri Dicgo	at Stetson	11/9/19
220 203	Drow Lauor	Dayton	at Morehead St.	11/2/19
203	DIEW LAUEI	Drake	vs. Morehead St.	10/26/19
	Jalen Leary	Stetson	vs. Dayton	10/19/19
	Tucker Yinger	Dayton	at Jacksonville	11/17/18
264	Tucker Yinger	Dayton	vs. Morehead St.	11/10/18
231	Wesley Dugger	Davidson	at San Diego	11/10/18
222	Tucker Yinger	Dayton	at Butler	10/27/18
213	Jareem Westcott	Stetson	at Davidson	10/27/18
202	Calvin Turner Jr.	Jacksonville	at San Diego	10/27/18
202	Calvin Turner Jr.	Jacksonville	at Davidson	10/6/18
201	Calvin Turner Jr.	Jacksonville	vs. St. Augustine's	9/1/18
289	Daniel Smith	Campbell	at Davidson	11/4/17
284	Trevor Jones	Morehead St.	vs. Jacksonville	10/22/16
205	Conley WIIkins	Drake	at Valparaiso	10/8/16
237	Tucker Yinger	Dayton	vs. Marist	11/14/15
201	De'Shawn Jones	Campbell	at Davidson	10/31/15
205	Conley Wilkins	Drake	at Morehead State	10/31/15
229	Connor Kacsor	Dayton	vs. Kennesaw Stat	ie 9/26/15
244	Connor Kacsor	Dayton	vs. Duquesne	9//15
215		D		
313	Jeffrey Keil	Davidson	vs. Stetson	10/25/14

30+ POINTS

PTS	Player	Team	Opponent	Date
30	Jake Chisholm	Dayton	vs. Davidson	11/13/21
30	Jalen Jones	Presbyterian	at Valparaiso	11/6/21
30	Wesley Dugger	Davidson	at Jacksonville	10/19/19
30	Jareem Westcott	Stetson	at Davidson	10/27/18
30	Trae Heeter	Butler	at Morehead St.	11/16/13
30	Ben Shappie	Dayton	vs. Campbell	10/4/08
30	Rudell Small	Jacksonville	vs. UNC Pembrok	ke 9/22/07
30	Scott Gray	Butler	vs. Albion	9/1/07
30	Willie Cashmore	Drake	at Jacksonville	11/11/06
30	Jonathan Taylor	Drake	at Valparaiso	10/25/03
30	Michael Gasperson	San Diego	vs. Valparaiso	10/26/02

15+ POINTS KICKING

PTS	Player [FG/PAT]	Team	Opponent	Date
15	Brandon Eicker [3/6]	San Diego	at Stetson	11/9/19
15	Allan Waltz [5/0]	Dayton	vs. Marist	11/4/17
18	Matt Ward [3/6]	Morehead St.	at Butler	11/5/16
16	Brandon Behr [3/7]	Jacksonville	vs. Valparaiso	11/21/15
15	Dylan Lynch [2/9]	Jacksonville	vs. Warner	9/21/13
15	Dylan Lynch [2/9]	Jacksonville	vs. Morehead St.	9/14/13
19	Rainer Duzan [4/7]	Morehead St.	vs. Ky. Christian	9/1/11
16	Adam Jones [3/7]	Morehead St.	at Butler	10/1/05
16	Jason Resch [4/4]	Dayton	at Austin Peay	9/25/04

PFL INDIVIDUAL DEFENSIVE SUPERLATIVES

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20+ TACKLES

TACK	Player	Team	Opponent	Date
22	Luke Glenna	St. Thomas	vs. Davidson	10/8/22
22	Vincent Winey	Morehead St.	vs. Davidson	10/30/21
23	Vincent Winey	Morehead St.	vs. Butler	4/17/21
20	Colby Duncan	Stetson	at Morehead St.	11/23/19
21	Jamari Booker	Valparaiso	at Davidson	11/2/19
20	Jamari Booker	Valparaiso	vs. Davidson	9/29/18
20	Carlos Merritt	Campbell	vs. Jacksonville	10/28/17
20	Ryan Bennett	Morehead St.	vs. Jacksonville	10/22/16
20	John Hugunin	Drake	vs. Jacksonville	10/24/15
21	Donald Payne	Stetson	vs. Marist	11/8/14
30	Donald Payne	Stetson	at Campbell	11/1/14
21	Donald Payne	Stetson	vs. Jacksonville	10/18/14
22	Patrick Moynahan	Davidson	at Marist	9/22/12
20	Jordan Ridley	Butler	vs Valparaiso	10/15/11
20	Peter Bakke	Davidson	at Butler	10/27/07
20	Chris Haynes	Butler	at St. Francis (Ind	.) 10/9/04
20	Alex Arinsmier	Davidson	at Dayton	10/2/04
26	Andy Guzenski	San Diego	vs Dayton	11/16/02
20	Eric Papp	Drake	vs San Diego	11/2/02

5+ TACKLES FOR LOSS

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TFL	Player	Team	Opponent	Date		
5.0	Finn Claypool	Drake	vs. Presbyterian	11/11/23		
5.5	Aiden McKinley	Dayton	at Valparaiso	11/4/23		
5.0	Jonathan Hammond	Davidson	at Drake	10/22/22		
5.0	Trejuan Purty	Valparaiso	vs. Presbyterian	11/6/21		
6.0	Fermon Reid	Stetson	vs. Presbyterian	4/3/21		
5.0	Bryce Perry-Martin	Davidson	vs. Brevard	9/2/17		
5.0	Jonathan Petersen	San Diego	at Campbell	11/19/16		
5.0	Donald Payne	Stetson	vs. Davidson	10/01/16		
5.0	Davion Belk	Stetson	vs. Jacksonville	10/18/14		
6.0	Pat Dowd	Dayton	at Drake	11/19/13		
5.0	Landon Moore	Marist	vs. Mercer	11/16/13		
7.5	Mario Kurn	San Diego	at Davidson	11/13/10		
5.0	Mario Kurn	San Diego	at Southern Utah	9/11/10		
5.0	Devon Langhorst	Dayton	at Drake	11/6/10		
5.0	Wes McDermott	Morehead St.	at Dayton	11/15/08		
6.0	Eric Bakhtiari	San Diego	vs. Drake	10/13/07		
5.0	Scott Vossler	Dayton	vs. Central St.	9/15/07		
5.0	Odi Anyanwu	Morehead St.	vs. Dayton	9/6/03		

3+ INTERCEPTIONS

INT	Blavor	Team	Oppopont	Date
-	Player		Opponent	
3	Kaleb Lyons	Morehead St.	vs. Davidson	11/11/23
3	Brandon Easterling	Dayton	at Drake	11/16/19
3	Will Warner	Drake	vs. Marist	11/10/18
3	Eric Martin	Stetson	at Drake	9/26/15
3	Derek Harkness	Morehead St.	vs. Butler	9/26/09
3	Milton Brown	Campbell	at Carthage	9/27/08
3	Bryan Gray	Morehead St.	vs. Drake	11/3/07
3	David Hyland	Morehead St.	at Jacksonville	10/13/07
3	Poul Collins	Drake	vs. Davidson	11/4/06
3	Alex Davis	Butler	vs. Hanover	9/9/06
3	Patrick Fitzgerald	Davidson	vs. Greenboro Col	l. 9/10/05
3	Andy Nelson	Butler	vs. Drake	10/16/04
3	B. Martin	Butler	vs. Davidson	9/20/03
3	Aaron Furman	Dayton	at Morehead St.	11/23/02
3	Mark Kasmer	Dayton	at St. Francis (Pa.)) 9/7/02

4+ SACKS

Player	Team	Opponent	Date
Trejuan Purty	Valparaiso	vs. Presbyterian	11/6/21
Emmanuel Olenga	Campbell	vs. Methodist	8/31/17
Pat Dowd	Dayton	at Drake	11/19/13
Blake Oliaro	San Diego	at Marist	12/1/12
Black Oliaro	San Diego	at Valparaiso	10/8/11
Devon Langhorst	Dayton	vs. Drake	11/6/10
Mario Kurn	San Diego	at Southern Utah	9/11/10
Nikko Carson	Valparaiso	at Drake	10/3/09
Grant Hunter	Butler	vs. Dayton	11/8/08
Eric Bakhtiari	San Diego	vs. Drake	10/13/07
Scott Vossler	Dayton	vs. Central St.	9/15/07
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31ST SEASON



FCS ALL-IN ON ESPN+

FCS ALL-IN is back for the 2023 season on ESPN+ (at 11 a.m. CT, Fridays). The show, produced by Big Sky Conference staff in collaboration with communications directors and video managers at all FCS Conferences, features Craig Haley (Stats Perform) and Sam Herder (HERO Sports) with host Alex Eschelman. It airs every Friday throughout the regular season.

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AFCA COACHES

FCS NATIONAL POLLS

STAT	S PERFORM MED	ΙΔ		
RK	TEAM (1STS)	W-L	PTS	PVS
1.	South Dakota State (56)	10-0	1,400	1
2.	Furman	9-1	1,309	2
3.	Montana	9-1	1,301	2
4.	Montana State	8-2	1,233	5
5.	South Dakota	8-2	1,1183	6
6.	Idaho	7-3	1,042	4
7.	Delaware	8-2	1,029	8
8.	Sacramento State	7-3	957	9
9.	North Dakota State	7-3	874	12
10.	Villanova	8-2	792	T-13
11.	Florida A&M	9-1	750	T-13
12.	UAlbany	8-3	690	18
13.	North Dakota	6-4	685	10
14.	Western Carolina	7-3	601	17
15.	Austin Peay	8-2	556	20
16.	Southern Illinois	6-4	507	11
17.	North Carolina Central	8-2	489	7
18.	Chattanooga	7-3	481	19
19.	UT Martin	8-2	475	21
20.	UIW	7-2	464	16
21.	Mercer	8-3	311	23
22.	Northern Iowa	6-4	285	15
23.	Harvard	8-1	168	24
24.	Lafayette	8-2	142	25
25.	Youngstown State	6-4	126	22

Receiving Votes: Central Arkansas 119, Tarleton State 80, Richmond 77, Nicholls 25, Holy Cross 21, Gardner-Webb 8, UC Davis 5, Drake 2.

AFCA CUACHES				
RK	TEAM (1STS)	W-L	PTS	PVS
1.	South Dakota State (26)	10-0	650	1
2.	Furman	9-1	615	2
3.	Montana	9-1	603	2 3 5
4.	Montana State	8-2	563	
5.	South Dakota	8-2	529	6
6.	Delaware	8-2	491	8 9 4
7.	Florida A&M	9-1	446	9
8.	Idaho	7-3	405	4
9.	North Dakota State	7-3	396	13
10.	Sacramento State	7-3	390	11
11.	UIW	7-2	385	10
12.	Austin Peay	8-2	364	14
13.	UT Martin	8-2	333	16
14.	North Carolina Central	8-2	285	7
15.	Villanova	8-2	277	18
16.	Chattanooga	7-3	244	17
17.	North Dakota	6-4	227	12
18.	Western Carolina	7-3	206	21
19.	Harvard	8-1	195	19
20.	Central Arkansas	7-3	135	24
	Southern Illinois	6-4	135	15
22.	Lafayette	8-2	133	23
23.	Albany	8-3	131	25
24.	Mercer	8-3	108	NR
25.	Holy Cross	6-4	40	22

Receiving Votes: Eastern Illinois 34, Northern Iowa 33, Tarleton State 29, Illinois State 23, Youngstown State 23, William & Mary 9, Nicholls 4, Rhode Island 4, UC Davis 4, Richmond 1.

PFL TIEBREAKER PROCEDURE

The Pioneer Football League uses the following tiebreaker system to determine its automatic qualifier (AQ) for the Division I Football Championship. In no instance is this tiebreaker used to break a tie for the league championship, all teams tied for first place at the end of the regular season will share the title and be designated co-champions.

WHEN TWO TEAMS ARE TIED

- 1. If there is a two-team tie in conference play and the two tied teams played each other, the winner of the head-to-head competition shall be declared the automatic qualifier (AQ).
- 2. If the tied teams did not play each other, then each team's record against all common opponents in the league shall be used to break the tie and declare the AQ.
- 3. If the teams are still tied, then each team's record against the next highest common opponent in the league standings shall be used to break the tie and declare the AQ. [Clarification: The record comparison against common opponents shall continue in descending order until the tie is broken.]
- 4. If common teams played are tied in the standings, they will be regarded as a unit when determining records against. [Example: If A/B/C are tied for first and next highest common opponents, D & E are tied, combined records against D & E will be used.]
- 5. If the teams are still tied, then the PFL "Strength of Victory" (combined record of PFL teams defeated) shall be used to break the tie and declare the AQ;
- 6. If the teams are still tied, then the PFL "Strength of Schedule" (combined record of PFL teams played) shall be used to break the tie and declare the AQ;
- 7. If the teams are still tied, a coin toss shall be used as the final tiebreaker.

WHEN THREE OR MORE TEAMS ARE TIED:

NOTE: If at any point a tie is broken using the multiple-team tiebreaker procedures and only two teams remain tied, the remaining teams shall revert to the twoteam tiebreaker procedures.

- 1. If the tied teams all played one another, the team with the best cumulative record involving games with the tied teams shall be declared the AQ. For example, if a team is 2-0 against two other tied teams, that team shall be declared champion.
- 2. If the tied teams did not play each other, but one team played and defeated all the other teams involved in the tie, that team is the AQ.
- 3. If the tied teams all played one another and have identical records against the other tied teams, then each team's record against all common opponents in the league shall be used to determine the AQ. If teams are still tied, then each team's record against the next highest common opponent in the league standings shall be used to determine the AQ.
- 4. If the tied teams did not play each other, then each team's record against all common league opponents shall be used to determine the champion. If teams are still tied and did not play each other, then each team's record against the next highest common opponent in the league standings shall be used to determine the AQ.
- 5. If the teams are still tied, then the PFL "Strength of Victory" (combined record of PFL teams defeated) shall be used to break the tie and declare the AQ;
- 6. If the teams are still tied, then the PFL "Strength of Schedule" (combined record of PFL teams played) shall be used to break the tie and declare the AQ;
- 7. If the teams are still tied, the AQ shall be drawn by lot as the final tiebreaker.

WEEK-BY-WEEK LEADS, LEADERS, STANDINGS AND AWARDS

WEEK 1

WEEKLY AWARDS | OFFENSIVE: Carter Cravens, Morehead State | DEFENSIVE: Johnson Fallah, St. Thomas | SPECIAL TEAMS: Tristan Shannon, Marist **RECAP** | Morehead State beat West Virginia State 37-35, with Caleb Ramseur's touchdown run being the deciding factor. Youngstown State defeated Valparaiso 52-10, with Ryan Mann's touchdown run before halftime being the only bright spot for Valparaiso as they were held scoreless in the second half. St. Thomas took home a 36-26 victory against Black Hills State, with Amari Powell leading the Tommies with touchdown runs in the first and second quarters. Georgetown secured a 49-7 win over Marist, with Tristan Shannon's touchdown in the first quarter being the only score for Marist. Illinois State shutout Dayton 41-0. VMI beat Davidson 12-7, with Christian Berry's touchdown pass from Luke Durkin giving Davidson a third-quarter lead, but VMI ultimately scored with 51 seconds left in the game to secure a win. Montana defeated Butler 35-20, with Bret Bushka's two third-quarter touchdowns getting Butler within a point with 4:48 in the third quarter.

WEEK 2

WEEKLY AWARDS | OFFENSIVE: Jyran Mitchell, Butler | DEFENSIVE: Diego Davis, Stetson | SPECIAL TEAMS: Sam Webster, Dayton

RECAP | Dayton, Presbyterian, Butler, and Stetson won their respective matches. Dayton defeated Central State 62-24, with eight different players scoring touchdowns. Presbyterian won against Virginia-Lynchburg 48-17, with Tyler Wesley throwing for three touchdowns and running for one. Butler won 41-13 against Taylor, with Jyran Mitchell rushing for three touchdowns and 178 yards. Stetson won 38-28 against Webber International, with Matt O'Connor throwing two touchdowns and Kaderris Roberts rushing for one. Colorado Mesa won 28-21 against San Diego, with San Diego's Dom Nankil throwing a touchdown pass to force overtime, but they could not score in overtime. Indiana Wesleyan won 24-22 against Valparaiso while Northwestern won 27-24 against Drake in overtime. Mercer won 48-22 against Morehead State, and Barton College won 33-31 against Davidson, with Coulter Cleland completing 10-of-20 passes for 142 yards while Mari Adams ran for 115 yards on 19 carries.

WEEK 3

WEEKLY AWARDS | OFFENSIVE: Coulter Cleland, Davidson | DEFENSIVE: Nick Bafia, Butler | SPECIAL TEAMS: Mack Mikko, Presbyterian

RECAP | Davidson downed Marist 49-21 in the Pioneer Football League opening game. Coulter Cleland, Davidson's quarterback, delivered five touchdowns and 303 yards, including three touchdowns in the last 8:41 of the first half, turning a 7-7 tie into a 28-7 halftime lead. Dayton scored the first 24 points of the game, and despite a second-quarter rally from Taylor, secured a 52-20 non-conference victory. Harvard ran for 255 yards and four touchdowns on 27 team carries, opening its season with a 45-13 win against St. Thomas. #3 Montana State won 57-20 against Stetson, while #1 South Dakota State defeated Drake 70-7. Princeton held San Diego to two field goals in the remainder of the game, securing a 23-12 non-conference victory. In a nail-biting finish, Presbyterian beat Wofford 23-20 with Tyler Wesley connecting with Worth Warner for an 18-yard touchdown pass with just 28 seconds remaining. Finally, Butler defeated Wabash 47-21 in non-conference action.

WEEK 4

WEEKLY AWARDS | OFFENSIVE: Jyran Mitchell, Butler | DEFENSIVE: Deavon Holman, Butler | SPECIAL TEAMS: Matthew Rink, St. Thomas

RECAP | Butler secured a 28-18 victory against Stetson with four rushing touchdowns, including two by Jyran Mitchell. Marist beat Valparaiso 36-30 in overtime with a 25-yard walk-off touchdown by Amin Woods. St. Thomas kept the nation's longest home win streak alive with a 35-28 PFL win against Morehead State with a 26-yard touchdown by Tat Takeoka to Jacob Wildermuth with just nine seconds remaining. San Diego defeated Dayton 40-25 with an early lead of 27-3 and three touchdowns by Grant Sergent. Eric Haney's interception and a 27-yard touchdown sealed the victory. Davidson won 84-6 against St. Andrews in a non-conference game, with Coulter Cleland's 10-of-11 passes for 149 yards and two touchdowns, and nine touchdowns and 463 rushing yards.

WEEK 5

WEEKLY AWARDS | OFFENSIVE: Mari Adams, Davidson | DEFENSIVE: Luke Herzog, St. Thomas | SPECIAL TEAMS: Chase Gardi, Marist

RECAP | Davidson, St. Thomas, Marist, Butler, and Drake all won their Pioneer Football League games this week. Davidson beat San Diego 55-33, with Mari Adams running for four touchdowns. St. Thomas defeated Dayton 20-14, scoring all 20 of their points in the first half. Marist downed Stetson 34-24, with Brock Bagozzi throwing a 68-yard touchdown pass to Matt Stianche at the start of the second half. Butler rallied from a halftime deficit to beat Presbyterian 27-17, with Bret Bushka leading the Bulldogs' offense. Finally, Drake downed Morehead State 16-9, with Dorian Boyland's 64-yard touchdown run on the opening drive putting Drake ahead for good. In a non-conference matchup, Valparaiso rallied from a 15-0 deficit to defeat Southwest Minnesota State 16-15, with Michael Appel Jr.'s 35-yard touchdown run with 5:14 remaining proving to be the game-winner.

WEEK 6

WEEKLY AWARDS | OFFENSIVE: Carter Cravens, Morehead State | DEFENSIVE: Keenan Wolf, Morehead State | SPECIAL TEAMS: Shane Dunning, Drake **RECAP** | In one of the standout games, Morehead State dominated Dayton, securing a decisive 31-7 win. Quarterback Carter Cravens was the star of the show, throwing two touchdown passes and scoring a rushing touchdown. Although Dayton managed to tie the game in the first quarter, the Flyers were unable to score again, thanks to Morehead State's formidable defense. Meanwhile, Stetson narrowly defeated Presbyterian with a final score of 28-24, thanks in part to Devon Brewer's two touchdowns. In an incredibly tight game, St. Thomas managed to hold off Butler, winning 17-10. Running back Hope Adebayo led St. Thomas with two touchdowns, while Luke Herzog's game-ending pass breakup secured the win. Finally, Drake won a hard-fought game against Valparaiso, with quarterback Luke Bailey throwing two touchdown passes. In non-conference action, Columbia defeated Marist 16-0, with Ty'Son Edwards scoring two touchdowns and the Lions defense forcing four turnovers.

WEEK 7

WEEKLY AWARDS | OFFENSIVE: Luke Bailey, Drake | DEFENSIVE: Angelos Vokolos, Marist | SPECIAL TEAMS: Mack Mikko, Presbyterian

RECAP | Marist's defense shone by forcing six turnovers and scoring a safety, while San Diego's Re-al Mitchell's 94 rushing yards and a touchdown went in vain as the Red Foxes claimed their first-ever victory against the Toreros, 30-16. Presbyterian won a nail-biting 20-17 overtime victory against Dayton, registering their first-ever PFL win. Davidson survived a late scare from Butler, as the Bulldogs missed a potential game-winning 58-yard field goal attempt, and the Wildcats won 35-33. Drake's Luke Bailey threw five touchdowns, leading his team to a 52-21 win against St. Thomas. Morehead State scored a walk-off field goal to defeat Valparaiso 24-21 after scoring 17 fourth-quarter points.

WEEK-BY-WEEK LEADS, LEADERS, STANDINGS AND AWARDS

WEEK 8

WEEKLY AWARDS | OFFENSIVE: Hope Adebayo, St. Thomas | DEFENSIVE: Alex Herriott, Presbyterian | SPECIAL TEAMS: Shane Dunning, Drake

RECAP | Davidson beat Valparaiso 42-21 with Mason Sheron scoring three touchdowns, Butler won 37-10 against Dayton with Jyran Mitchell running for two touchdowns and catching another, Marist defeated Presbyterian 19-10 with two defensive touchdowns, St. Thomas won 38-6 against Stetson with Hope Adebayo scoring two touchdowns, and Drake beat San Diego 25-20 with Luke Bailey throwing a 38-yard touchdown pass to Trey Radocha as time expired. Tarleton State also won 42-0 against Morehead State in a non-conference game.

WEEK 9

WEEKLY AWARDS | OFFENSIVE: Dorian Boyland, Drake | DEFENSIVE: Amir Wallace, San Diego | SPECIAL TEAMS: Adam Zouagui, Davidson

RECAP | Butler overcame Valparaiso 17-7 in what proved to be a tightly contested game, with Bret Bushka's three-yard touchdown at the end of the third quarter proving to be the difference. Meanwhile, Drake defeated Stetson 33-7, with Dorian Boyland running for three touchdowns as they sealed the win with 30 unanswered points. St. Thomas used a 21-point first quarter to defeat Marist 49-14, with Hope Adebayo and Gabriel Abel each scoring two touchdowns. San Diego overcame Morehead State 17-11, as Isaiah Williams led the way with his 134-yard, one-touchdown performance. Finally, Davidson downed Presbyterian 45-20, with Coulter Cleland passing for three touchdowns and Mari Adams running for two, as they never trailed in the game.

WEEK 10

WEEKLY AWARDS

OFFENSIVE: Bret Bushka, Butler | CO-DEFENSIVE: Zamir Wallace, San Diego & Aiden McKinley, Dayton | SPECIAL TEAMS: Evan Matthes, Valparaiso **RECAP** | Drake beat Marist 10-3, San Diego rallied late to defeat Presbyterian 23-13, Davidson ran past Stetson 61-41, Valparaiso topped Dayton 21-7, and Butler dominated Morehead State 49-7. Defenses were strong in the Drake-Marist game, with Luke Bailey's touchdown pass to Trey Radocha being the only touchdown of the game. San Diego came back in the fourth quarter to win against Presbyterian, while Davidson ran for 458 yards and six rushing touchdowns to win against Stetson. Valparaiso and Dayton had a low-scoring game, with Valparaiso winning 21-7. Finally, Butler quarterback Bret Bushka was dominant against Morehead State, throwing five touchdowns in the first half.

WEEK 11

WEEKLY AWARDS | OFFENSIVE: Bryce Patterson, Morehead State | DEFENSIVE: Kaleb Lyons, Morehead State | SPECIAL TEAMS: Max Samuel, Valparaiso **RECAP** | Morehead State started Week 11 off with a bang, as Bryce Patterson threw six touchdown passes in his first collegiate start to lead his team to a 47-17 victory over Davidson. Dayton's defense dominated Marist, forcing five turnovers and leading the team to a 35-6 win. Valparaiso edged out Stetson in a thrilling overtime finish, with Ryan Hawk's 34-yard field goal sealing the deal in a 23-20 victory. Drake clinched a share of the PFL title with a 16-14 win against Presbyterian, thanks to Shane Dunning's three field goals. Finally, St. Thomas edged out San Diego in overtime, with Hope Adebayo's 16-yard touchdown run securing a 20-14 victory.